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The first official meeting of the 1973-74 C.M.S. executive was held on August 14th in the new offices of the Dynamic Prediction Research Division on the Trans-Canada Highway in Dorval. Three unofficial meetings had been held previously to prepare for the orderly transfer of responsibilities from Toronto to Montreal.

The executive and their phone numbers are:

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Québec.

Ian Rutherford has accepted the position of Editor of Atmosphere, commencing on January 1st, 1974. Ed Truhlar will be responsible for the next three issues, which are already in an advanced state of preparation.

On finding himself free of controversy this summer, Herb Kruger decided to get out while he was still on top and resigned as Chairman of the

Public Information Committee. Norm Powe has been invited to replace him as Chairman. The committee members are selected by the local centres.

C.M.S. Congress 1973

This year's C.M.S. Congress at St. Mary's University certainly deserved the large attendance it had. The show-business touch of Rube Hornstein was clearly evident in the well laid-out program. The allotted times were matched to the complexity and the interest of the topics so that the presentations were neither rushed nor boring.

Nancy Waller, Chairman of the Halifax Centre, was in charge of local arrangements. The accommodations in the new high-rise residence were quite impressive. The highlight of the congress was the annual banquet, held at the Shore Club in Hubbards Cove. Thanks to a generous subsidy from the Nova Scotia government, the arrangements committee were able to produce a lobster feast that would fill anybody but a Prince Edward Islander.

The banquet was the occasion for the presentation of prizes, as reported in the Congress Issue of Atmosphere, and of three special citations for exceptional effort in the fight against pollution. These were to:

David V. Bates

in recognition of his outstanding book "A Citizen's Guide to Air Pollution" which presents a well balanced, informative and reasoned view of air pollution problems. The book constitutes a significant contribution to the on-going debate about these questions in Canada and should be extremely useful in alerting the public to air pollution problems and in aiding legislators to formulate controls over possible abuses.

Pollution Probe, University of Toronto

in recognition of its outstanding contribution as a citizen's group committed to the alleviation of pollution problems and the establishment of environmental ethics. Pollution Probe has not only alerted and informed the public as to the problems and dangers of pollution and ecological imbalances, but has created a channel through which a concerned public could approach and influence governments on these important issues.

The Ontario Ministry of the Environment

Air Management Branch

for their outstanding contribution in helping to alleviate environmental pollution problems in Ontario. They have taken the lead in pollution control in Canada and are internationally recognized as having instituted legislation and implemented control techniques to reduce environmental pollution effectively. Further, these actions have created an awareness of environmental problems within both the industrial community and the residents of Ontario; and have notably improved air quality in major Ontario urban centres.

The generally miserable weather of early summer in Halifax gave way to warm sunshine for the duration of the congress, with the exception of a special display of sea fog which was laid on for our visit to Peggy's Cove.

C.M.S. Congress 1974

The 1974 Congress will be held at York University, Toronto in the period 29 to 31 May. This will coincide with the meetings of the Learned Societies at the University of Toronto from 26 May to 8 June. The Canadian

Geographical Society Meetings will be held 27-30 May. Phil Aber is handling the arrangements.

Stanstead Seminars.

The other big event of the summer was the week-long Stanstead Seminar held in July at Bishop's University. This was the best attended seminar of the series and also the best fed. The theme of the conference was predictability, which, since it involves practically everything, meant that the sessions were quite wide ranging. Opinions on predictability were less firmly stated and the discussions more muted than when the same theme was used four years ago. It appears that the more we know about it the less we know about it.

The usual relaxed atmosphere of the Stanstead Seminars was greatly assisted by the serene surroundings of Bishop's, an old university, but with many fine new buildings, set in the middle of rolling farmlands.

Jacques Derome is to be congratulated for his handling of the arrangements.

New Members

Seven applicants for regular membership were admitted into the Society.

Old Members

Forty members have not renewed their membership this year. The executive are attempting to determine whether this is due to oversight, procrastination or disillusionment.

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