The President's Message

The major growing pains of ARSC were borne by the officers of the Association from 1968-1973. Those noble gentlemen wore their crowns regally. These pains were successfully abated by your past president, Mr. Don Roberts, and I shall endeavor to solidify his gains.

The planning for the next two years includes increased communication and joint ventures with other complementary organizations. Correspondence has begun with The Archives Association, International Association of Sound Archives, Speech Communications Association, International Association of Jazz Archives, and The Oral History Association. We hope to increase membership through these contacts as well as by advertising in a few selected journals. This will, hopefully, secure our financial position and disburse our journals through the ranks of specialized collectors.

The only board meeting I have attended (March 29, in Philadelphia), saw the motion for a spring meeting "West of the Rockies" seriously considered but voted down by the board. The expectation of a spring meeting along with the meeting in Montreal, Canada, in August, 1975, was thought to be too much. The meeting in Montreal will be in conjunction with the meetings of the International Association of Sound Archives which will be visiting North America for the first time. I encourage all members to attend these meetings and meet your counterparts from other countries.

Members interested in joining the IASA organization before the meetings in Montreal can send \$3 American (individual) or \$10 American (organizational) to Dr. Rolf L. Schuursma, Documentationcentre SFW, Hengeveldstraat 29, Utrecht, The Netherlands. The membership includes the Phonographic Bulletin, published semiannually. This Bulletin is not otherwise distributed. This year's meeting of IASA is being held in Jerusalem, Israel, and will be covered by the next issue of the Bulletin.

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