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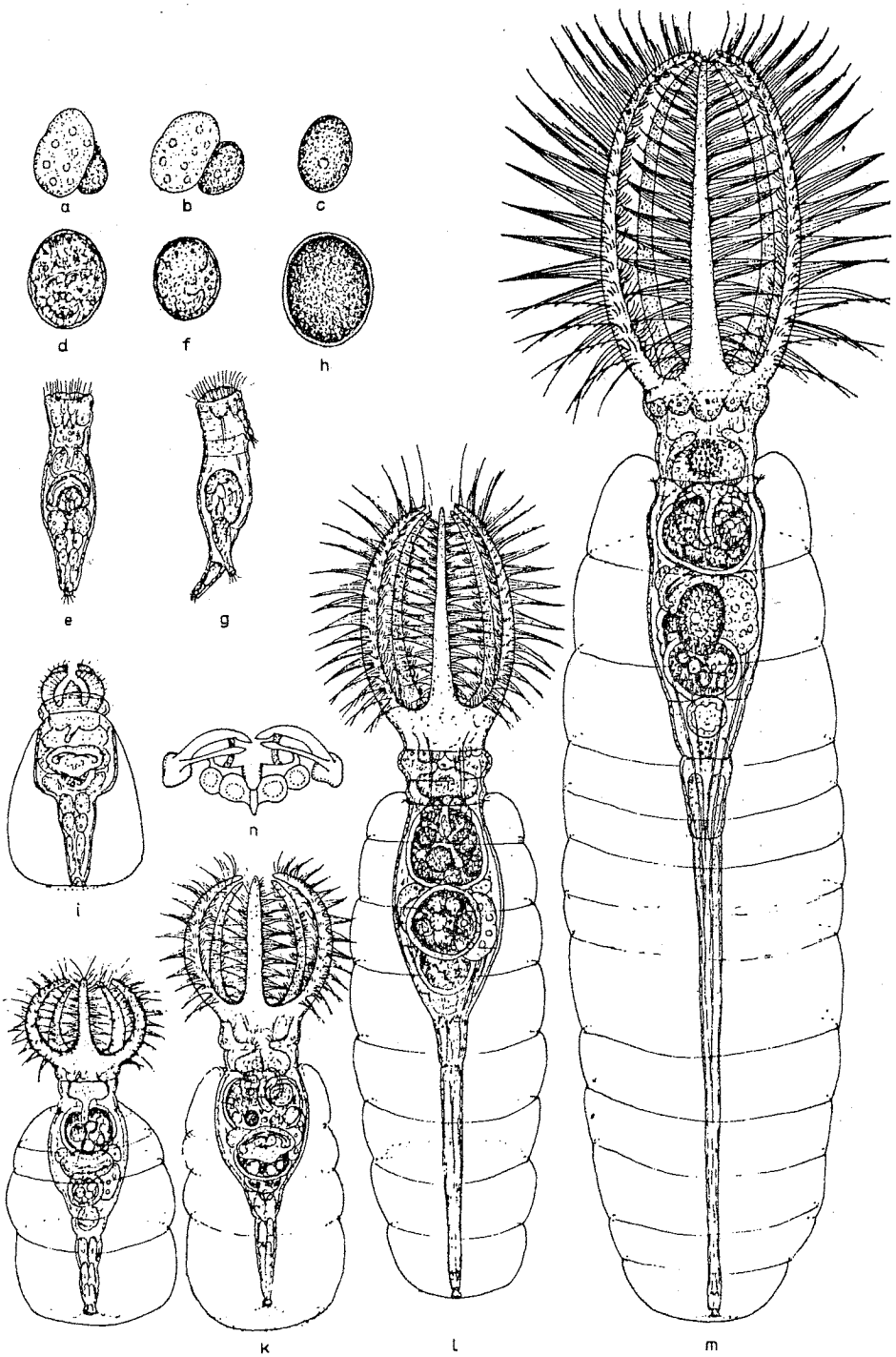

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NEWS, NOTES, AND REQUESTS

Items received by either editor on or before 10 December 1983 have been included in this issue of ROTIFERS NEWS (No. 7), all other items we be published in issue No. 8 which is scheduled to be printed in late spring 1984.

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The editors are sorry to inform our readers that we must request help in the mailing of ROTIFER NEWS. As you are well aware, international ani even domestic mailing costs are quite high. Production costs are also quite expensive. We are requesting that the readers of ROTIFER NEWS support us in this valuable endeavor by honoring the suggested dues ($ 4.00 US dollars for two years - 4 issues) which are printed on the accompanying questionnaire which follows the last regular page of this issue. Please note that we request that you send your dues and requests for back issues to Jim Litton and materials to be included in the next issue of ROTIFER NEWS to Bob Wallace. This double mailing on your part will save Litton and Wallace about 30 (+) letters between our two institutions for each issue of ROTIFER NEWS that we produce. Readers of ROTIFERS NEWS who wish to may contributions beyond the dues are encouraged to do so !!!! Make all checks payable to ROTIFER NEWS.

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1. Back issues of ROTIFER NEWS are still available! If you need a back issue (1-6) of ROTIFER NEWS copies are available from Jim Litton at a cost of $2.00 per issue to cover mailing and reproduction. Your comments on any aspect of ROTIFER NEWS is requested by the editors! We thank those who have made suggestions and comments on the format and content of issues 5 and 6. We are especially appreciative of the favorable comments we have received. Your praise makes the production efforts more rewarding.

2. At the suggestion of W.T. Edmondson we are going to initiate a new section: DESCRIPTIONS OF NEW SPECIES. It will include only citations of published works which describe new rotifer species, redescribe species, or combine one or more taxa. Unpublished comments sent to the editors concerning such topics will be placed in the NEWS, NOTES, AND REQUESTS section. The editors request rotifer workers call our attention to relevant works on taxonomy for this section.

3. The editors have received notification of a new publication which may be of interest to some rotifer workers:

AQUATIC BIOTA OF LATIN AMERICA

Volume I. AQUATIC BIOTA OF SOUTHERN SOUTH AMERICA. Edited by

S.H. Hurlbert, San Diego State University, USA 342p (1977).

Volume II. AQUATIC BIOTA OF TROPICAL SOUTH AMERICA. Edited by S.H. Hurlbert, San Diego State University USA, G. Rodriguez, Instituto Venezolano de Investigaciones Cientificas, and N.D. Santos, Museu Nacional do Rio de Janeiro. PART 1. ARTHROPODA 323p (1981). PART 2. ANARTHROPODA 298p (1981).

Volume III. AQUATIC BIOTA OF MEXICO, CENTRAL AMERICA AND THE WEST INDIES. Edited by S.H. Hurlbert, San Diego State University, USA and A. Villalobos-Figueroa, Universdad Autonoma Metropolitana-Izapalapa, Mexico 529p (1982).

Following is text abstracted from the advertisement flier: A three-volume work produced through the collection of 150 of the world's foremost taxonomists. Each volume contains annotated taxonomic bibliographies treating all plant and animal groups found in the inland waters of the region. Each bibliography is preceded by an introduction (Spanish and English). These introductions summarize information on taxonomy, biogeography, and natural history. The introduction also guides the reader to the taxonomic literature. The volumes are valuable to all ecologists, limnologists, fishery biologists, parasitologists, public health biologists, and taxonomists with interest in the region.

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Volume I, $13.00 *
Volume II, Part 1, $14.00 **
Volume II, Part 2, $12.00 **
Volume III, $20.00

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4. S.I. Dodson has been investigating the biology of the tube-building rotifer Cephaldella forficula. A manuscript on its ecology and behavior is in preparation. This rotifer is unusual because it builds and lives in a closed tube. The rotifer is easily maintained in culture in an aquarium if the aquarium also includes a crayfish which produces detritus to serve as a matrix

for the rotifer. This species is currently in culture and Stan informs us that he will gladly mail starter cultures to any one interested. His address is S.I. Dodson, Department of Biology, University of Wisconsin, Madison, WI, 53706, USA.

5. M. Yufera has two papers in press on the culture of a strain of Brachionus plicatilis. ROTIFER NEWS will print a complete citation when available.

6. W. Koste has three papers in press. They cover the species Paradicranophorus hudsoni and Trichotria tetractis, and specimens from some central Amazonian lakes. ROTIFER NEWS will print a complete citation when available.

7. ROTIFER NEWS has been asked to inform its readers that a new journal has been born: ZOOLOGICA ORIENTALIS. Further information may be obtained from Dr. M.K. Jyoti, Secretary, Association of Progressive Zoologists, c/o Department of Biosciences, University of Jammu (New Campus), Jammu-180 001, INDIA.

8. R.L. Wallace is interested in receiving preserved samples of sessile rotifers with any important collection information (i.e., species, locality, temperature, pH, etc.) if available. He will pay the cost of mailing. Send specimens to R.L. Wallace, Biology Department, Ripon College, 300 Seward Street, Ripon, Wisconsin, 54791, USA.

9. Several readers of ROTIFER NEWS have asked if we could reformat the RECENT LITERATURE section so that the references can be cut out and pasted onto small file cards. Unfortunately, with our current equipment this is not possible. We have also been asked if it is possible to print the references on only one side of a page. This is possible, but the production and mailing costs would be prohibitive.

10. D.R. Lenat (See Anderson and Lenat, 1978 in the RECENT LITERATURE section) reports the following additional information to that paper. (NB: the request for information at the end of this comment: This paper, combined with work conducted during 1976-1977, gave a good long-term (4 years) record of changes in rotifer populations. Zooplankton community structure usually showed only slight between-year changes. Rotifers comprised 81% of the zooplankton in "Year IV", 72% in "Year V", and 77% in "Year VI". However, in "Year VII" rotifers declined to only 35% of the zooplankton. This change (especially for Keratella crassa) occurred during a decline in water quality, particularly an increase in Selenium concentrations. This suggests a hypothesis the rotifer populations may be less tolerant then cladocera/copepoda to inputs of dissolved metals. I'd like to hear from anyone with evidence to confirm to dispute this hypothesis. Address: David R. Lenat, North Carolina Department of Natural Resources, Archdale building, POB 27687, Raleigh, North Carolina,

27611, USA.>

11. We have been asked to separate the references by category (i.e., Taxonomy only, ecology, distribution, etc.). This idea has merit and we are looking into a method of doing this, while still keeping the alphabetical order (e.g., letter codes, etc.). (see Note number 2 above.)

12. If anyone has the name and address of a North American based rental source for the Clement films please let the editors know. Several workers have requested such information.

13. David A. Egloff has recent presented a paper at the "First International Chrysophyte Symposium" held at the University of North Dakota, Grand Forks, North Dakota, USA, August 11-16, 1983. Following is an abstract of his paper:

EFFECTS OF OLISTHODISCUS LUTEUS CARTER (CHRYSOPHYCEAE) ON FEEDING AND SWIMMING PATTERNS OF THE MARINE ROTIFER SYNCHAETA CECILIA ROUSSELOT. D.A. Egloff, T.J. Cowles, and D. Stoecker. Oberlin College, Oberlin, Ohio, 44074 and Woods Hole Oceanographic Institution, Woods Hole, Massachusetts, 02543, USA. Synchaeta spp. are seasonally abundant with Olisthodiscus luteus in coastal marine ecosystems of New England. The growth and reproduction of Synchaeta cecilia can be sustained in laboratory cultures with many small flagellates, especially crypyophytes, dinoflagellates, and haptophytes, but not with O. luteus. In fact, O. luteus is not ingested by S. cecilia and its presence in a mixture of algae reduces the rotifer's grazing rate on other algal species. Furthermore, O. luteus alters S. cecilia's swimming pattern from a sequence of right-hand spirals to a series of streaks. A quantitative video analysis of these differences in swimming behavior was presented.

14. Some "interesting literature" has been passed to the editors. Bayliss, Clara Kern. 1912. (copyright 1897). "In Brook and Bayou or, Life in the Still Waters." Appletons' Home Reading Books. Our reading will be taken up in the middle of Chapter 5 part III - Wheel-Bearers.

[Editor's note: Recent publications of equal scientific merit are not invited.]

"... you will feel new interest in the wheel animalcule, and will say, ' I'm glad to make your acquaintance, Uncle Rotifer,' when you learn that, way down in the scale of life, here in this fragile little creature, entirely invisible without a microscope, there is to be found a genuine brain and a true eye."

"(How far back we mortals must go to find the beginnings of us!)"

"In front of and above the mastax of brachionus is a large

mass of diffuse nervous matter, a brain; and situated like a wart upon it is a crystalline lens, a square eye of crimson color and of high refracting power. That the rotifer uses this eye is shown by his [editor's note Her] bending his body in the direction of an approaching morsel of food [editor's note - feeding people take note] and plying his wheels with renewed energy."

"This also proves that he uses his brain; for the more energetic action of the wheels at the prospect or reward shows intelligence. So, too, does the fact that he will depress the rim of the funnel on the side nearest the object he is trying to secure. He does this with the evident purpose of making it easier for the food to slip over the rim into the funnel."

In the next issue of ROTIFER NEWS we may reprint selected parts of Chapter 5 part IV.

15. Agnes Ruttner-Kolisko has a paper in press from the SIL Proceedings (XXIII) 1983: Results of individual cross-mating experiments in three distinct strains of Brachionus plicatilis.

16. The next Rotifer Symposiium (4th) is scheduled for late August 1985 in Edinburgh, Scotland. Some details follow.

IV th International Rotifer Symposium
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Time: Sunday 18 - Saturday 25 August 1985
Place: Edinburg, Scotland
Cost: Approximately 20 UK pounds per day;
Total cost ~140 UK pounds, accommodations and three meals per day.

Further details available from:
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In order to maintain the "workshop' atmosphere of the three preceeding Rotifer Symposia, the number of symposium participants will be strickly limited to 65. Arrangements for the scientific sessions will be similar to the previous meetings. Each half day will consist of a review paper (invited only we believe, Eds) followed by several short presentations of 10-15 minutes. Facilities for poster displays can be made available in the conference room if required. Accommodations (single rooms only) and meals will be available at the Conference Centre for all participants and accompanying persons. Direct air service to Edinburg is limited. However, special reductions in fares from London, Manchester, and Glasgow by British Rail and British Midland Airways should be available if required.

17. Anyone interested in developing a slide exchange should write either of the editors informing us of (1) your willingness to submit slides to such an exchange and (2) a list of species of which have color slides.

18. The complete biblography of the papers printed in the DEVELOPMENTS IN HYDROBIOLOGY - 14; Dr. W. Junk, publisher, BIOLOGY OF ROTIFERS (the proceedings of the third International Rotifer Symposium) will be included in our next issue of ROTIFER NEWS. Following we have reprinted the table of contents of this volume.

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Boltovskoy, A. and Urrejola, R. 1977. Dos nuevas especies del genero Keratella (Rotatoria) de Tierra del Fuego, Argentina. Limnobios 1(6): 181-187. <Language: SPANISH with ENGLISH summary> <English title: Two new species of the genus Keratella (Rotatoria) form Tierra del Fuego, Argentina.> <Abstract: SEM observations on two new rotifer species from Sphagnum bogs near Ushuaia city were made. Both, species (Keratella ona, n. sp. and Keratella yamana, n. sp.) show the anterior dorsal margin with six spines, parallel lateral margins and rounded posterior margin with a short median spine, although K. ona may lack it. The dorsal plate is characterized by well marked lines which enclose the plaques and by a network sculpture with wide alveoles; in K. yamana the median line is less conspicuous and the reticulum of marginal and posterocarinal plaques is former by smaller alveoles. The ventral plate has a V-shaped central sinus and is completely covered by pustules of different nature on each species. Twenty six facets are on K. ona dorsal plate including three frontal areas and the following plaques: three median, three lateral on each side, two posterocarinal, two posterocarinal accessory and five marginal on each side. There are twenty eight factes on K. yamana dorsal plate including three frontal areas and the following plaques: three median, four lateral on each side, one submarginal on each side, two posterocarinal and five marginal on each side. -Editors note: SEM photographs of each new species are presented.>

Koste, W. and Shiel, R.J. 1983. Morphology, systematics and ecology of new monogonont Rotifera (Rotatoria) from the Alligator Rivers region, Northern Territory. Transactions of the Royal Society of South Australia 107(2): 109-121. <Species: Brachionus falcatus Zacharias f. reductus n.f., B. urceolaris sericus n.f. and Macrochaetus danneeli n.sp.> <See RECENT LITERATURE for a complete abstract.>

de Ridder, M. and Verheye, H. 1981. Bijdrage Tot de Kennis van de Raderdierfanua van Brakke Wateren in de Belgische Kuststreek. Naturrwet Tijdschr 62: 129-138. <Notholca salina dumonti subsp. nov.> <see RECENT LITERATURE for a complete abstract.>

RECENT LITERATURE

The literature cited below has been gleaned from several sources including: BIOSIS (Dialog file 5), reprints sent to the editors of ROTIFER NEWS by the authors, information provided by various rotiferologists, Zoological Record, etc. The editors wish to thank the many researchers who have taken their time to inform us of relevant materials. We apologize for any incorrect citations which may follow! An attempt is always made to cite works completely and properly. We would like to be informed of any important errors in these citations; corrections will be published in the next issue (Number 8) which is scheduled for late spring 1984. Please note that Rotifer News (in its current home) is produced in draft and final forms using a DIGITAL PDP 11/70 computer as a text editor. This device is, unfortunately, not capable of adding the accents found in other languages. We are sorry about this, and agree that it detracts from the overall international flavor of ROTIFER NEWS, but there is little that can be done about it at the present time.

The editors encourage authors to send us reprints so that they can be properly cited and abstracted. Only if reprints are received can we properly annotate the citations. Some of the abstracted material found below has been copied directly from the author's abstract and/or textual material. Other material was copied from DIALOG file 5, Zoological Record, or specific information provided by the author. Still other material was abstracted by the editors. Since ROTIFER NEWS is not part of the scientific literature (see caveat on page one), but is rather a newsletter providing a service to researchers, we do not believe that this is a infringement on any copyright laws.

Most, but not all, of the following list of papers have as their major topic some aspect of rotifer biology. We believe that most of the following papers will be of interest to rotiferologists. These references have been indexed at the end of RECENT LITERATURE section by using such keywords as the specific species names, predation, salinity, biogeography, etc. Suggestions concerning the index are welcome.

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Ali, A. and Stanley, B.H. 1982. Effects of a new carbamate insecticide Larvin UC-51762 on some nontarget aquatic invertebrates. Fla Entomol 65(4): 477-483. (Address: Univ of Florida, IFAS, Agric Research and Education Center, P.O. Box 909, Sanford, Fl 32771, USA.) (A portion of the BIOSIS ABSTRACT follows: The effects of a new carbamate (thiodicarb) insecticide, UC-51762 or Larvin, on some non target aquatic invertebrates in experimental

and sewage ponds were studied. The insecticide at 0.25, 0.5 and 1.0 Kg AI (active ingredient) per Hectare (i.e., 0.055, 0.11 and 0.22 ppm, respectively) in experimental ponds affected populations of rotifera, Cyclops spp., Daphnia sp. etc.>

Anderson, T.P. and Lenat, D.R. 1978. Effects of power plant operation on the zooplankton community of Belews Lake, North Carolina. In: J.H. Thorp and J.W. Gibbons (eds.). Energy and environmental stress in aquatic systems U.S. Department of Energy. CONF 771114. p 618-641. <Address: Dept. Environmental Sciences and Engineering, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, N.C., USA> < Abstract: The euphotic-zone zooplankton community of Belews Lake, North Carolina, was studied over a 3-year period. Belews Lake is a 1500-ha cooling reservoir for a 2200-NW coal-fired power plant. This study included 1 year of preoperational data and 2 years of postoperational data. A detailed examination of 19 taxa showed that three species may have responded to power-plant operation. Two warm stenotherms (Hexarthra and Ptygura) increased in density, and an increase in the winter density of Polyarthra was also noted. An analysis of variance indicated that circulation of surface water by the power plant resulted in greater spatial and seasonal homogeneity for most taxa. Other changes in the zooplankton community appeared related to natural causes.> <The following taxa were discussed: Hexarthra spp., Ptygura spp., Conochilus unicornis, Conochiloides spp., Synchaeta spp., Polyarthra spp., Ploesoma truncatum, Keratella earlinae, Keratella cochlearis, Keratella crassa, Asplanchna spp., and Collotheca spp. (see item number 10 in the NEWS and NOTES section above for more information.)>

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Blanchot, J. and Pourriot, R. 1982. Influence de trois facteurs de l'environment, lumiere, temperature et salinitie, sur l'eclosion des oeufs de duree d'un clone de Brachionus plicatilis (O.F. Muller) Rotifere. C.R. Acad Sc Paris t. 295 Serie III 243-246. <Address: E.N.S. Laboratoire de Zoologie, L.A. 258, 46, rue d'Ulm, 75230, Paris, FRANCE.> <Language: FRENCH, with ENGLISH abstract> <DIALOG BIOSIS Abstract # 75088592> <Abstract: The authors studied the conditions which favor hatching of resting eggs in a laboratory population of B. plicatilis, and also the ones that maintain them in a dormant state. Although embryonic mortality is sometimes high, optimum hatching rates are observed only in the presence of light, at a temperature range of 14 to 20 degrees C and in a culture medium of average salinity. Storing resting eggs in darkness, at low temperature (<10 C), or at high salinity (~33 parts per thousand) keeps them dormant.>

Blanchot, J. and Pourriot, R. 1982. Effects de l'intensite d'eclairement et de la longueur d'omde sur l'eclosion des oeufs de duree de Brachionus rubens (Rotifere). C.R. Acad Sc Paris t 295 Serie III 123-125. <Address: see above> <Language: FRENCH, with ENGLISH Abstract> <DIALOG BIOSIS Abstract # 76072895> <Abstract:

In controlled conditions of temperature and medium, but varied white light intensity, the rate of resting eggs hatching decreases under an intensity near 1 Wm E-2. In a visible spectrum divided into narrow isoquantic bands, the short wavelengths (400-480 nm) are moree efficient for breaking dormancy>

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leeved upper basin habitats. As a result of cluster analysis rotifer communities associated with areas of similar water quality were identified. Variations in suspended solids, total dissolved solids and organic C were most often significantly associated with variations in rotifer numbers from the lower basin. Seasonal flushing of backwater areas by mainstream waters is very important in maintaining the diversity of these lower basin rotifer communities.

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the basis for the instrument. The potential difference produced across the thermocouples from the combustion of a sample is amplified a hundredfold and fed into any laboratory chart recorder within the range of 10-100mV fullscale deflection. The operation and calibration procedures are described together with linearity and repeatability experiments. A regression coefficient of 0.997 was obtained for the former and a standard deviation of <+/- 4% for repeatibility.>

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