

August 1969

## I. INTRODUCTION

Weather: August has been hot and dry. A total of 0.13 inches of precipitation fell on the 2nd.

Water: All except two pools dropped several inches, with Avocet, Shoveler, Harrison, and Gadwall dropping the most. Although the pools are low, very good stands of Widgeon Grass were produced.

Wildlife: Fall migration started with arrival of 14,000 pintails and a total of 15,000 ducks. This is a marked increase over the August flight of 10,000 ducks in 1968.

## II. ACTIVITIES AND ACCOMPLISHMENTS

Our main emphasis this summer has been to clean out the spring heads, clean out ditches from springs to collection ditch and develop the old spring near Dead Man's Curve. To date 3000 feet of ditch has been dug with our backhoe. After cleaning our springs, new Parshall flumes will be installed for more accurate water measurements.

A double row of hard stem Bulrush was planted for 2500 feet along Egret Pool for dike protection.

## III. PROBLEMS

Nothing unusual.

## IV. PUBLIC RELATIONS

Our refuge had a display at the West Desert Fair in Callao, Utah.

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