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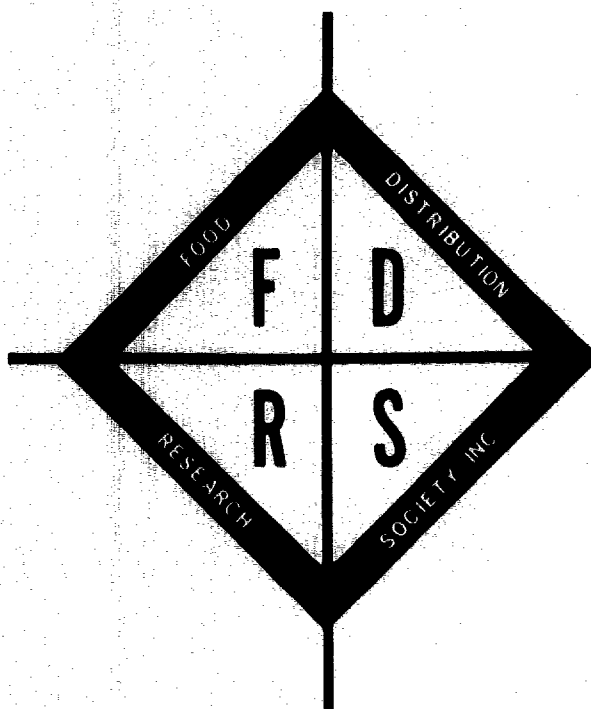
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A MESSAGE FROM THE PAST-PRESIDENT

July, 1975

TO: Members and Friends of The Food Distribution Research Society, Inc.

SUBJECT: Why an Invited Papers Issue of The Journal?

One of the many roles the Food Distribution Research Society plays is that of helping to crystalize thoughts regarding research priorities in various areas. Heretofore, our efforts have been rather informal, yet at times have been quite pointed and effective.

In an effort to identify research priorities on such an all pervasive issue as productivity over several segments of the total food industry system, we feel it would be much more effective to formalize the process by putting it in writing. We do this with the hope of stimulating both discussing of and action upon these research priorities. Also, it may be useful for the Society to treat other issues in a similar manner at other times in the future.

Your reaction to this process is earnestly sought.

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