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ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT FOR THE YEAR 1956-1957.

I. General

Composition of the International Council



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Delegates.

Italy has appointed Professor Mario Picotti, Instituto Sperimentale Talassografico, Trieste, and Professor Carlo Maldura, Laboratorio Centrale di Idrobiologia, Rome, as Delegates with the first-mentioned as Senior Delegate.

Portugal has appointed Dr. Herculano Vilela as Delegate instead of Dr. Ramalho.

Spain. After the death of Admiral Rafael Garcia Rodriguez, Admiral Don Arturo Genova y Torruella has been appointed Senior Delegate.

Composition of the Bureau.

As has been announced to Bureau-Members, Delegates and Experts the President, Professor H.U. Sverdrup, died on August 21st. As First Vice-President, Dr. Å. Vedel Tåning has taken over his chair until the next election of the Bureau, which consist now of four members only.

Committees and Editors.

The President has appointed Mr. R. Letaconnoux, La Rochelle, as temporary Chairman of the Scombriform Fish Committee instead of Dr. Ramalho, who has relinquished his chairmanship owing to bad health.

No change in Editors.

Meetings.

A meeting of the Bureau took place at Copenhagen on 5th May, and was attended by all Members and the Chairman of the Consultative Committee.

Following the Recommendation of the Herring Committee the three nominated Herring Experts: Messrs. O.Aasen, E.Bertelsen, and D.H.Cushing, met at Copenhagen on 8th and 9th November, 1956, to prepare a detailed plan for Herring Tagging Experiment in the southern North Sea. A report from this meeting was circulated to the member countries concerned with an invitation of participating in the plan. The following countries were willing to participate: Denmark, England, Germany, Netherlands, Poland, Sweden, the U.S.S.R. and Norway (technical assistance).

A meeting convened by the Secretary General was held on 18th and 19th February, 1957, at Copenhagen and was attended by: Drs. Å. Vedel Tåning and E. Bertelsen (Denmark), Dr. G.Krofft (Germany), Mr. G.J. Lienesch (Netherlands), Mr. J. Popiel (Poland), Dr. H. Höglund (Sweden) and Dr. D.H. Cushing (England). The Chairman of the Herring Committee Mr. O. Aasen was invited to take part.

The taggings were carried out in July-August by means of a chartered vessel (M/S. Rygrunn) assisted by the research vessels "Jens Væver", "Platessa", "Clupea" and "Sir Lancelot". Nearly 13.000 herring were tagged and more than 250 tags have been returned.

The conjoint meeting of ICNAF, FAO, and ICES' Comparative Fishing Committee took place at Lisbon between 27th May and 3rd June. A report of the meeting is being prepared.

The meeting of the co-opted members of the Liaison Committee was held at Lowestoft on 7th and 8th March, 1957.

Preliminary Account for the current Financial

Year 1.November 1956 - 31.October 1957.

The Delegates will together with this Report receive a Preliminary Account for 1956/1957, shown in comparison to the Approved Estimate for the same period, and a Preliminary Balance Sheet.

II. Central Office.

Publications.

Rapports et Procès-Verbaux, Vol. 142, April 1957 (Proc.-Verb., 1956, Adm.Rep. for 1955).
" " " " , Vol. 143, Pt. I, "Herring of the Southern North Sea" to be published in October 1957.
" " " " , Pt.II, on "Herring Races" in preparation
" " " " , Vol. 144, (Adm. Report for 1956) in preparation.
Journal du Conseil, Vol. XXII, 1, issued October 1956.
" " " " " " , 2, " February 1957.
" " " " " " , 3, " June 1957.
" " " Vol.XXIII, 1, to be published October 1957.
" " " " " " , 2, in preparation.
Annales Biologiques, Vol. XII, issued February 1957
" " XIII, in preparation.
Zooplankton Sheets, Nos. 61-70, to be published in October 1957.
Bulletin Statistique, Vol. XL for 1955, September 1957.
" " " XLI for 1956, in preparation.
Bulletin Hydrographique for 1953, to be issued in September.
" " " for 1954, in preparation.
Hydrographical Synoptic Charts, Charts for April-December 1956 and for January-March 1957 have appeared.

Statistical Department.

At the beginning of January all the material for the year 1955 was in hand and the Bulletin Statistique for this year will be ready at the Council Meeting.

Material for the table regarding quantity of fish landed, for which data concerning the fishing activity (effort) are available, was received from Belgium, England, Germany, Holland, Northern Ireland, Norway, Portugal, Scotland and Sweden. This material has also been written on punched cards.

According to a decision taken at the last meeting of the International Council the member countries were asked if there was a possibility of providing detailed statistics for the year 1955 on the herring fishery in the North Sea, specified as to months and ^{to} the small areas. Material has been received from Belgium, Denmark, England, France, Germany, Holland, Iceland, Scotland, Sweden and U.S.S.R., and this material has now been compiled, duplicated and distributed to the countries concerned, as "Statistical News Letters No. 1", August, 1957. Besides this a survey of the herring fishery in the North Sea in 1955 has been inserted in the Bulletin Statistique Vol. XL. as Table 12.

In May forms for the Bulletin Statistique were sent to the member countries and material has been received from Belgium, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Holland, Iceland, Ireland, Northern Ireland, Poland, Portugal, Scotland, and Spain.

Hydrographical Department.

Bulletin Hydrographique. The 1953 volume was prepared and published. The 1954-data available have been scrutinized and part of them have been typed. Not all data from 1954 have, however, been received at the present date.

Hydrographical Card Index. All data received for incorporation in the Bulletin Hydrographique 1954 have been recorded on index cards together with a great many data from other sources. Copies of card index data have been supplied on request.

The transferring to punched cards of the surface observations from the area covered by the Synoptic Hydrographic Charts (in their original extension) has been continued by the German Hydrographic Institute. Up to now the data from the region 52°N. - 63°N. have been transferred to punched cards. Lists recording copies of the punched data have been received in the Service Hydrographique where they have been scrutinized and, if necessary, checked.

Wind data, received from the German Hydrographic Institute, have been copied and distributed regularly.

Synoptic Hydrographic Charts. During the year under consideration charts for the months May 1956 - March 1957 have been prepared and published. In accordance with a recommendation carried by the Hydrographical Committee at its meeting in 1956 the charts have, from January 1957 onwards, been extended to cover also the Cattegat, the Belts and the western Baltic.

Notes on the variation of surface water temperature. Monthly anomalies during 1956 of the surface water temperature in a number of areas of the northern North Atlantic, as well as in one area off the eastern coast of Scotland, have been calculated and submitted for publication in the Annales Biologiques.

Publications.

Bulletin Hydrographique pour l'année 1953.

Synoptic Hydrographic Charts, May 1956 - March 1957.

Monthly Anomalies of the Surface Temperature in Areas of the Northern North Atlantic in 1955. - Annales Biologiques, vol. XII, pp. 10-11.

Monthly Anomalies of the Surface Temperature in an Area off the Eastern Coast of Scotland in 1955. - Annales Biologiques, vol. XII, p. 71.

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Preliminary Accounts for 1956/1957

in comparison with the "Approved Estimates".

approved provisionally

Expenditure

	Preliminary Accounts		Approved Estimates	
	D.Kr.	D.Kr.	D.Kr.	D.Kr.
I. Incidentals				
1. President	5,000.00		5,000.00	
2. Chairmen of Committees	<u>20,900.00</u>	25,900.00	<u>20,900.00</u>	25,900.00
II. Salaries				
1. General Secretary	23,074.71		23,000.00	
Administrative Department				
2. Assistant Secretary	15,159.76		14,928.00	
3. Assistant	10,732.75		10,560.00	
Publication Department				
4. Assistant Secretary	15,159.76		14,928.00	
5. Assistant	10,372.75		10,560.00	
Statistical Department				
6. Assistant Secretary	14,514.43		14,335.00	
Hydrographical Department				
7. Hydrographer	22,524.14		22,174.00	
8. 1st Assistant	13,960.33		13,750.00	
9. Clerical Assistant	9,104.75		8,945.00	
10. Part Time Assist.P.Alnøe	4,856.00 +)		4,600.00	
11. Part Time Assist.I.Bondorff	<u>4,400.00</u>	143,859.38	<u>4,400.00</u>	142,180.00
III. Office Expenses				
1. Rent, Light and Heating	11,050.00		11,050.00	
2. Cleaning of Office etc.	4,700.00		5,000.00	
3. Stationery, Punch cards, Books	6,800.00		6,800.00	
4. Telephone, Postage etc.	4,221.00		4,000.00	
5. Furniture	8,205.00		8,500.00	
6. Insurance	1,041.80		1,100.00	
7. Miscellaneous + Auditor's fee	6,000.00		6,000.00	
8. Expenses in connexion with Council Meeting	<u>3,000.00</u>	45,017.80	<u>3,000.00</u>	45,450.00
IV. Travelling Expenses				
		<u>32,000.00</u>		<u>32,200.00</u>
To carry over		246,777.18		245,730.00

+) 300.00 kr. granted more at the Bureau Meeting in May.

Preliminary Accounts

Approved Estimates

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Carried over

246,777.18

245,730.00

V. Publications

1. Printing	94,600.00		94,600.00	
2. Translation	1,603.81		1,000.00	
3. Distribution	2,000.00		2,000.00	
4. Editor, Journ. du Cons.	4,500.00		4,500.00	
5. Assist. " " "	1,500.00		1,500.00	
6. Editor, Plankton Sheets	1,500.00		1,500.00	
7. Honoraria for reviews in the Journ. du Cons.	<u>1,500.00</u>	107,203.81	<u>1,500.00</u>	106,600.00

VI. Pensions

1. Miss Hansted	7,800.00		7,800.00	
2. Miss Brønneiche	9,804.00		9,804.00	
3. Miss Rehder	9,804.00		9,804.00	
4. Premium Pensioninsurance	6,178.63		6,177.00	
5. Contributions towards Pension Saving Scheme	<u>2,788.17</u>	36,374.80	<u>2,677.00</u>	36,262.00

Estimated Excess of Income
over Expenditure

35,551.9917,925.50

425,907.78

406,517.50

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R e c e i p t

Preliminary Account

Approved Estimate

<u>I. Contributions</u>	D.Kr.	D.Kr.	D.Kr.	D.Kr.
Belgium	20,000.00		20,000.00	
Denmark	20,000.00		20,000.00	
Finland	11,667.00		10,000.00	
France	40,000.00		40,000.00	
German Federal Republic	40,000.00		40,000.00	
Iceland	20,000.00		20,000.00	
Ireland	15,000.00		15,000.00	
Italy	10,000.00		10,000.00	
Netherlands	20,000.00		20,000.00	
Norway	20,000.00		20,000.00	
Poland	20,025.84		20,000.00	
Portugal	15,000.00		15,000.00	
Spain	20,000.00		20,000.00	
Sweden	20,000.00		20,000.00	
United Kingdom	40,000.00		40,000.00	
U.S.S.R.	<u>40,000.00</u>	371,692.84	<u>40,000.00</u>	370,000.00
<u>II. Interest</u>				
On Bank Deposit	10,158.83		6,000.00	
On Investment	4,644.00		4,644.00	
On Pension Fund Investment	<u>4,873.50</u>	19,676.33	<u>4,873.50</u>	15,517.50
<u>III. Sale of Publications</u>		31,279.75		20,000.00
<u>IV. Contribution from Woods Hole Oceanographic Institution & Texas towards collecting and publishing Texan & American observations for Bulletin Hydrographique</u>		<u>3,258.86</u>		<u>1,000.00</u>
		425,907.78		406,517.50
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Preliminary Balance Sheet 31. October 1957.

<u>Liabilities</u>	D.kr.	D.kr.	<u>Assets</u>	D.kr.
Capital Reserve Fund	112,488.26		Cash deposited with Sparekassen and the Post Office Account	261,848.70
Excess of Income over Expenditure	35,551.99			
Difference in exchange (gain)	<u>1,057.50</u>	149,097.75	Bonds, market value on 1.9.1957 (nominal value 211,500.00, cost 171,082.50)	160,740.00
Pension Fund		106,564.16		
Creditors:				
Contributions for 1957/1958 received	135,000.00		Debtor, offprints	542.35
Chairmen	1,094.10			
Sale of Series from Library for binding of books	6,745.04			
Unexpended vote	<u>24,630.00</u>	<u>167,469.14</u>		
		423,131.05		<u>423,131.05</u>
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