

Plankton Identification Sheets

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Past experience has shown how valuable it is to have one editor readily available in Copenhagen. The appointment of Vagn Kr. Hansen to Cochin in India has made it impracticable for him to continue in this role and the Plankton Committee is fortunate to obtain the services of Dr. B. J. Muus in his place.

Ten sheets have gone to press since the last report; one on Arachnaetes by Dr. E. Leloup, five on Cephalopoda by Dr. B. J. Muus and four on hydromedusae by Dr. F. S. Russell. This now brings the total to 102.

Although pleading letters have been sent to authors whose contributions are considerably outstanding no manuscripts have been received from them up to the time of writing. The letters produced one or two withdrawals, which at least gives the editors an opportunity to seek elsewhere, but were mostly unanswered. About ten subjects are now overdue but still scheduled (i.e. 1954-1960) and there are also a further eight more recently commissioned.

Sheets on six groups of fish larvae have also been commissioned, but as yet without any manuscripts received and data from 1957 to 1963. These describe the most important fish larvae and it is not considered advisable to request sheets on the groups of lesser importance until at least a few of the others have been published.

Further efforts are being made to persuade authors to implement their promises.
