

THIRD ANNUAL MEETINGRe Publications

Hand in hand with the growth of the Commission's work the desire and need for more publications will arise and mainly for the following reasons:

- a. that the Commission itself gets a record of work done in connection with Commission activities
- b. that other institutions working for the fishing industry may benefit the more from Commission activities
- c. that the Commission's work can be known and paid attention to outside its own ranks.

The publications of the Commission are, as it will appear i.a. from the Second Annual Report, of a rather varied character: purely administrative matters (report of Chairman and of Executive Secretary), mixed scientific and administrative (summaries of research), pure scientific documents (as Graham's paper on the haddock question) annual papers on statistics, popular papers (pamphlet on fishes).

In the long run it will no doubt be unpractical to print these heterogeneous papers in one and the same publication (the Annual Report) and for the following reasons:

- a) It would be difficult for persons wishing to use our publications to find any special paper they wish to consult
- b) and to find out what papers of interest to them are available in our publications.
- c) A due and right registration and filing of our publications in libraries would be difficult or even impossible, which would limit the use of our publications and the attention paid to our work.
- d) By a division into three sections the separate sections could be published independently of one another, thus ensuring a more speedy process.

Based on the abovementioned facts it should be considered to divide the Commission's publications in certain series and the following proposal for such a division is suggested:

- 1 Annual reports, to contain all administrative matters: Reports of meetings, memberships, panelships, Commissioners, work at headquarters, financial statements etc.

The title of this publication would be: "Twentyfirst Annual Report of the International Commission for the Northwest Atlantic Fisheries, the year 1972/73."

- 11 An annual digest of fisheries statistics for the Convention Area to contain statistics for the previous year, text, tables and figures giving comparisons of the year's statistics with those of previous years, further - at any rate for the first years to come - statistics for back years not formerly available.

The title of this publication would be : "Fisheries Statistics for the Northwest Atlantic for the year 1967. Collected and published by the International Commission for the Northwest Atlantic Fisheries."

111 Miscellaneous Papers from the International Commission for the Northwest Atlantic Fisheries No. 27

To include any other publications.

Whereas the publications 1 and 11 naturally would appear annually, the Miscellaneous Papers would appear irregularly when required.

The pattern of 1 and 11 should as far as possible be the same from year to year in order to facilitate their preparation as well as their use. Such patterns should therefore be fixed already from the beginning, and the following scheme is suggested:

1 Annual Report.

1. Chairman's Report on (3rd) Annual Meeting (May 24-30, 1953), with appendices (Agenda, list of participants).
2. Chairman's Report on Meeting(s) of Standing Committee on Finance and Administration, with appendices.
3. Chairman's Report on Meeting(s) of Standing Committee on Research and Statistics, with appendices.
4. Chairmen's reports on meetings of Panels, with Appendices.
5. Reports from possible special committees.
6. Report by Executive Secretary on activities at headquarters, with appendices - list of member Governments, commissioners and panel memberships, list of Committees and Panels with Chairmen, Financial statements, estimate of budget.
7. Summaries of research work from member Governments, arranged either by countries or by Subareas (Panels).
8. Other matters concerning activities during the year.

11 Fisheries Statistics.

(The scheme given below is only tentative as it is not yet known in details what statistics will be available.)

1. Introduction by Commission's Statistician. To include: description of the way in which the statistics have been collected, any gaps in statistics and how they might be filled, any outstanding features in the year's statistics.
2. Summary tables of the year's yield, of fishing effort and possibly of value of catch.
3. Catch statistics by species, for the more important ones.

4. Comparisons with former years, mostly figures with a short text.
5. Documents on various statistical matters, if required: fishing effort, conversion factors, changes in fishing methods as far as they could influence statistical data. (Mostly text).

Publications I and II in format as First Annual Meeting Report, cover in differing colour, but with crest and darker left margin.

Publication III in 8° cover in colour differing from I and II, but with crest and darker margin.

Annual Reports - colour as "Report of the First Annual Meeting"

Fisheries Statistics - colour light brownish.

Miscellaneous Papers - colour green.

Margin, crest and letters of the same colour in I, II and III.



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