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Publications

PROCEEDINGS

The Proceedings of the Xth. General Assembly will be published in eight fascicules ; the first will contain the administrative matters, the seven other fascicules will contain the work of each of the seven U.R.S.I. Commission.

Fascicule 1 was sent for distribution to National Committees, the others will follow as soon as they are printed.

Supplementary copies of Fascicule 1 are available at the price of 75 B. F.

STATUTES AND BY-LAWS

Copies of the new Statutes and By-laws were sent to National Committees, supplementary copies are available at the General Secretariat.

It should be noted that Statutes and By-laws are published in Fascicule 1 of Volume IX.

Sub-Commissions

SUB-COMMISSIONS APPOINTED OR CONFIRMED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY

COMMISSION III

Sub-Commission IIIa — On Ionospheric Observations and Reduction of Data.

Mr. A. H. SHAPLEY, (*Chairman*),
with nominees from each National Committee.

Sub-Commission IIIb — On Wave Interaction.

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Sub-Commission IIIc — On Study of Propagation Time of Radio Signals.

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COMMISSION IV

See Sub-Commission VIb.

COMMISSION V

Sub-Commission Va — On the World Chain of Solar Radio Observatories.

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Sub-Commission Vb — On Terminology and Units.

Dr. J. P. HAGEN, Mr. F. J. KERR, Mr. B. Y. MILLS and Dr. F. G. SMITH.

Sub-Commission Vc — On Basic Solar Activity Index.

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*Sub-Commission VIb — (Jointly with Commission IV) —
On Parameters to describe Terrestrial Radio Noise.*

Prof. B. D. H. TELLEGREN, (*Chairman*),

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Sub-Commission VIc — On Study of Fourier Transformers.

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Sub-Commission VID — On Circuit Theory and Antennas.

Dr. L. C. VAN ATTA, (*Chairman*),

Members : Chairmen of National Commissions VI or their delegates.

Special Reports

SUBJECTS APPROVED AT THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY AND DRAFTING COMMITTEES

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(a) *Ionospheric Storms.*

Dr. D. F. MARTYN, (*Chairman*),

Sir Edward APPLETON, Mr. PIGGOTT and Dr. UYEDA (or an alternative member to be proposed by the Japanese National Committee).

(b) *The Radio Investigation of Meteors* (to be drafted jointly with Commission V).

Dr. MCKINLEY, (*Chairman*),

Professors LOVELL and MANNING.

(c) *Ionospheric Wave Interaction.*

Professor E. V. BAILEY, (*Chairman*),

Dr. CUTOLI, Professor HUXLEY and Mr. RATCLIFFE.

Titles proposed for publications in the future.

(d) Ionospheric Phenomena during Solar Eclipses.

(e) Ionospheric Winds.

(f) Statistical Methods in the Analysis of Ionospheric Data.

COMMISSION V

(a) *Dynamics in Ionized Media.* Special Report n° 3. A draft was submitted at the General Assembly.

(b) *Intersellar Hydrogen.*

Dr. J. R. OORT, (*Chairman*),
Dr. E. M. PURCELL and Dr. J. L. PAWSEY.

(c) *Discrete Sources.*

Dr. J. G. BOLTON, (*Chairman*),
R. HANDBURY-BROWN and Dr. F. G. SMITH.

(d) *The Distribution of Radio Brightness on the Solar Disk.*

W. N. CHRISTIANSEN, (*Chairman*),
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Commission III

COMMUNICATION FROM THE CHAIRMAN

The Chairman of Commission III wishes to draw the attention of the Official Members of his Commission to the possible use of standard frequency transmissions for propagation studies and would very much appreciate that any comments on this matter be sent to the General Secretariat of U.R.S.I.

SUB-COMMISSION IIIb

ON WAVE INTERACTION

European laboratories and observatories are kindly requested for their co-operation in the work carried out at present by the Sub-Commission :

1. General inquiry concerned with wave interaction observed in the above mentioned area.
2. Accurate electric measurements of interaction phenomena.

Members of National Committees and Scientific Organizations interested in such works may apply for the programme of work of the Sub-Commission, either to the Chairman of the Sub-Commission : Mr. Picault, 7, rue Huysmans, Paris (VI^e), or to the French National Committee (Comité National Français de Radioélectricité Scientifique), 196, rue de Paris, Bagneux (Seine), or to the Secretary General of U.R.S.I.

FINLAND

We have been informed by the Finnish National Committee of its wish to set up an ionospheric station in Finland. The National Committee would very much appreciate technical information from National Committees or from other interested organizations.

Letters may be sent either to U.R.S.I. General Secretariat or to the Secretary of the National Committee, Eng. P. Mattila, Institut de Recherches Techniques, Albertinkatu, 40-42, Helsinki.

Commission IV

We want to draw the attention of Members of the Commission on the following letter from the Radio Research Station of Slough :

17th. February, 1953.

Dear Sir,

Radio Research Board Bulletin C

I enclose a copy of the following paper describing work which has been carried out under the auspices of the Radio Research Board of the Department of Scientific and Industrial Research.

Paper No RRB/C. 164

« Measurements of Atmospheric Noise at High Frequencies During the Years 1945-1951 », by F. Horner.

This report will be published by H. M. Stationery Office in due course. In the meantime the enclosed copy is sent for your personal use.

Now that this summary of observations is available we are discontinuing the monthly issue of our Bulletin C. Further summaries of results will be made at longer intervals and copies of these will be sent to you. Should you require detailed results for a particular month for a specific purpose, these will be provided on request.

Yours faithfully,

(sgd) R. L. SMITH-ROSE,
Director.

IONOSPHERIC STATIONS

In view of the fulfilment of resolutions adopted during the Xth. General Assembly, and in order to prepare the observations to be carried out during the International Geophysical Year 1957-1958, it was decided to prepare a complete table of ionospheric stations which should be substituted to the lists previously published in the Bulletin.

National Committees were requested to provide data concerning stations operated by their respective countries. Most Committees sent us such data and we acknowledge their co-operation.

On the other hand, the Radio Research Station (Slough) of the Department of Scientific and Industrial Research of the United Kingdom has calculated the latitude, longitude and dip values for all ionospheric stations from whom they regularly receive results of observations. Results of these calculations are given in Table n° 1 published with the agreement of the Radio Research Station ; we want to thank the Director of the Station and his co-workers for their help.

Some data given by National Committees on the location of stations (which are published in Table n° 2 appended) do not agree with the data of Table n° 1 ; we would very much appreciate to receive from the National Committees the changes that should, if needed, be brought to the published figures.

We ask National Committees and Organizations from countries not adhering to U.R.S.I. to provide us with suitable information.

Such a close co-operation should allow the drafting, for the next General Assembly, of a complete up-to-date list of ionospheric stations.

IONOSPHERIC STATIONS. TABLE NO 1
POSITIONS 1952

Note. — Dip from 1922 admiralty map to nearest 0.5° magnetic latitude
from $\tan^{-1} \left(\frac{1}{2} \tan. \text{ dip} \right)$ to nearest 0.5°.

Geomagnetic latitude from McNish charts to nearest 0.1°.

Station	Geographic		Geo-magnetic Lat.°	Magne- tic Lat.°	Dip °
	Lat.°	Long.°			
Adak	51.9 N	176.6 W	47.5 N	46 N	64 N
Akita.....	39.7 N	140.1 E	29.5 N	33.5 N	53 N
Alma Ata	43.5 N	76.5 E	33.8 N	42 N	61 N
Anchorage	61.2 N	149.9 W	60.9 N	60 N	74 N
Bagnieux	48.8 N	2.3 E	51.3 N	46 N	64 N
Baker Lake	64.3 N	96.1 W	73.8 N	84 N	87 N
Batavia	39.1 N	84.1 W	50 N	55.5 N	71 N
Bâton Rouge La. S.	30.5 N	91.2 W	41.2 N	42 N	61 N
Bocayua	17.1 S	43.8 W	6.7 S	3 S	6 S
Bombay	19 N	73 E	9.7 N	12.5 N	24 N
Boston	42.4 N	71.2 W	53.9 N	59.5 N	73.5 N
Brisbane	27.5 S	153 E	35.9 S	36.5 S	56 S
Buenos Aires	34.5 S	58.5 W	23.1 S	15 S	28.5 S
Bukhta Tikhaya	80.3 N	52.7 E	71.5 N	74.5 N	82 N
Calcutta	22.6 N	88.4 E	11.9 N	16.5 N	31 N
Canberra.....	35.3 S	149 E	44 S	46.5 S	64.5 S
Cape Site (Campbell Island)	52.5 S	169.2 E	57.2 S	61.5 S	75 S
Cape Town	34.2 S	18.3 E	33 S	41.5 S	60.5 S
Casablanca	33.6 N	7.6 W	38.5 N	31 N	50.5 N
Christchurch	43.5 S	172.7 E	48 S	51 S	68 S
Christmas Is.....	1.9 N	157.3 W	2.1 N	2.5 N	5 N
Chungking	29.4 N	106.8 E	17.9 N	24.5 N	42.5 N
Churchill.....	58.8 N	94.2 W	68.6 N	79 N	84.5 N
Clyde B/I.....	70.5 N	68.6 W	81.9 N	80 N	85 N
Cocoa	28.2 N	80.6 W	39.4 N	42 N	61 N
Dakar	14.6 N	17.4 W	21.6 N	13.5 N	26 N
De Bilt	52.1 N	5.2 E	53.5 N	48.5 N	66 N
Deception Is.	63 S	60.7 W	51.6 S	36.5 S	56 S

Station	Geographic		Geo-magnetic Lat. ^o	Magne- tic Lat. ^o	Dip ^o
	Lat. ^o	Long. ^o			
Delhi	28.6 N	77.1 E	18.9 N	23.5 N	41 N
Djibouti	11.5 N	43.1 E	6.8 N	2.5 N	5 N
Domont	49.1 N	2.3 E	51.4 N	46.5 N	64.5 N
Fairbanks (College) ...	64.9 N	147.8 W	65.1 N	65 N	77 N
Falkland Is.	51.7 S	57.8 W	40.4 S	27.5 S	46 S
Fiji	18 S	178.2 E	22.1 S	21.5 S	38 S
Formosa	25 N	121.5 E	13.7 N	18.5 N	34 N
Fort Chimo	58.2 N	68.3 W	69.7 N	78 N	84 N
Freiburg	48.1 N	7.8 E	49.4 N	45 N	63.5 N
Fukaura	40.6 N	139.9 E	30.3 N	34.5 N	54 N
Gothenburg	57.4 N	12 E	57.3 N	53 N	69.5 N
Graz	47.1 N	15.5 E	47 N	42.5 N	61.5 N
Guam	13.6 N	144.9 E	4 N	7 N	14 N
Hobart	42.8 S	147.4 E	51.4 S	56 S	71.5 S
Huancayo.....	12 S	75.3 W	0.6 S	0	0
Ibadan	7.4 N	4 E	10.4 N	1.3 S	2.5 S
Inverness	57.4 N	4.2 W	60.8 N	54.5 N	70.5 N
Johannesburg	26.2 S	28 E	26.7 S	40 S	59 S
Kermadec.....	29.2 S	177.9 W	32.2 S	33.5 S	53 S
Khartoum	15.6 N	32.6 E	12.9 N	6.5 N	13 N
Kihei (Maui)	20.8 N	156.5 W	20.7 N	21.5 N	38.5 N
Kiruna	67.8 N	20.5 E	64.4 N	62 N	75 N
Lanchow.....	36.1 N	103.8 E	24.7 N	32.5 N	52 N
Leyte	11 N	125 E	0.2 S	3 N	6.5 N
Leningrad.....	60 N	30.3 E	56.5 N	54.5 N	70.5 N
Lindau/H.	51.6 N	10.1 E	52 N	47.5 N	65.5 N
Lulea.....	65.6 N	22.1 E	62.8 N	60 N	74 N
Macquarie Is.	54.5 S	159 E	61 S	69 S	79 S
Madras	13 N	80.2 E	3.1 N	5.5 N	11 N
Moscow	55.9 N	37.3 E	51.3 N	51 N	68 N
Nairobi	1 S	37 E	4.2 S	13 S	25 S
Nanking	32.1 N	119 E	20.7 N	27.5 N	46 N
Narsarssuak	61.2 N	45.4 W	71.6 N	66 N	77.5 N
N. H. A. (Trang)....	12 N	109 E	0.5 N	4 N	8 N
Okinawa	26.3 N	127.8 E	15.3 N	20 N	36 N
Oslo Kjellar.....	60 N	11.1 E	60 N	55.5 N	71 N
Ottawa	45.4 N	75.7 W	56.8 N	62.5 N	75.5 N

Station	Geographic		Geomagnetic Lat. ^o	Magnetic Lat. ^o	Dip ^o
	Lat. ^o	Long. ^o			
Palmyra	5.9 N	162.1 W	5.3 N	6 N	12 N
Panama C. Z.	9.4 N	79.9 W	20.7 N	19.5 N	35.5 N
Peiping	39.9 N	116.4 E	28.5 N	36.5 N	56 N
Point Barrow	71.3 N	156.8 W	68.2 N	72.5 N	81 N
Poitiers	46.6 N	0.3 E	49.1 N	44 N	62.5 N
Port Lockroy	64.8 S	63.5 W	53.4 S	38.5 S	58 S
Portage	49.9 N	98.3 W	59.4 N	66 N	77.5 N
Prince Rupert	54.3 N	130.3 W	58.5 N	59.5 N	73.5 N
Puerto Rico.....	18.5 N	67.2 W	30 N	31.5 N	51 N
Raratowga	21.3 S	159.8 W	21 S	22.5 S	38.5 S
Resolute Bay	74.7 N	94.9 W	82.8 N	88 N	89 N
Reykjavik	64.1 N	21.8 W	70 N	63 N	76 N
Rome	41.9 N	12.5 E	42.4 N	37.5 N	57 N
Stanford	37.4 N	122.2 W	44 N	43 N	62 N
San Francisco	46.8 N	7.3 E	48.7 N	43 N	62 N
Schwarzenburg		37.9 N	139.3 E	27.6 N	31.5 N
Shibata	1.3 N	103.8 E	10.1 S	8 S	16 S
Singapore	51.5 N	0.6 W	54.3 N	48.5 N	66 N
Slough.....	47.6 N	52.7 W	58.4 N	58.5 N	73 N
Sverdlovsk	56.7 N	61.1 E	48.5 N	55.5 N	71 N
Tananarive.....	18.8 S	47.8 E	23.8 S	33 S	52.5 S
Terre Adélie	66.8 S	141.4 E	75.7 S	84 S	87 S
Tiruchirapalli.....	10.8 N	78.8 E	1 N	2.5 N	5 N
Tokio	35.7 N	139.5 E	25.5 N	30 N	49 N
Tomsk.....	56.4 N	85 E	45.8 N	57 N	72 N
Townsville	19.3 S	146.8 E	28.4 S	27.5 S	46 S
Trinidad	10.6 N	61.2 W	22 N	23.5 N	41 N
Tromsø.....	69.7 N	19 E	67 N	64.5 N	76.5 N
Upsala	59.8 N	17.6 E	58.5 N	54.5 N	70.5 N
Wakkanaï.....	45.4 N	141.7 E	35.4 N	40 N	59 N
Washington	38.7 N	77.1 W	50 N	54 N	70 N
Watheroo	30.3 S	115.9 E	41.8 S	45 S	63.5 S
Whitesands	32.3 N	106.5 W	41.1 N	42 N	61 N
Winnipeg	49.9 N	97.4 W	59.7 N	66 N	77.5 N
Wuchang	30.6 N	114.4 E	19.2 N	26 N	44 N
Yamagawa	31.2 N	130.6 E	20.3 N	25.5 N	43.5 N

IONOSPHERIC STATIONS. TABLE N° 2

Notes :

1) The stations are grouped according to the country of the controlling organizations.

2) Abbreviations :

CRPL : Central Radio Propagation Laboratory, National Bureau of Standards, Washington, D. C.

L.N.R. : Laboratoire National de Radioélectricité, rue de Paris, Bagneux (Seine) France.

B.I.F. : Bureau Ionosphérique Français, L.N.R.

S.P.I.M. : Service de Prévision Ionosphérique Militaire.

* Stations not mentioned in Table n° 1.

3) « Information on Publication of Results », contains the following informations :

Column 1 : M = only median values are published.

H = daily hourly (and median) values are published.

G = hourly values are available free of charge.

R = they are available but not free of charge.

Column 2 : Month and year of the beginning of publication.

Column 3 : A limited number of records available, free of charge (G) or not (R); records are not available X.

Column 4 : Publication in which results are issued.

Controlling country	Station	Geographic		Geomagnetic latitude °	Magnetic dip °	Power kW
		Latitude °	Longitude °			
Australia	Brisbane	27°30' S	153° E	36.7 S		1.5
	Canberra	35°18' S	149° E	44 S		1.5
	Hobart	42°51' S	147°51' E	51.6 S		1.5
	Macquarie (Is)	54°30' S	159° E	61.1 S		1.5
	Townsville	19°18' S	146°48' E	28.6 S		1.5
	Watheroo	30°18' S	115°54' E	41.7 S		1.5
Austria	Graz	47°05' N	15°27' E	46.9 N	63 N	1
Belgium	Léopoldville *	4°19' S	15°18' E		33.5 S	1
Canada	Baker Lake	64°18' N	96° W	74 N	86.7 N	10
	Churchill	58°48' N	94°12' W	68 N	85.4 N	10
	Fort Chimo	58°06' N	68°36' W	68.5 N	82.5 N	10
	Ottawa	45°24' N	75°42' W	56.5 N	74.9 N	10
	Prince Rupert	54°36' N	130°18' W	58.5 N	73.7 N	10
	Resolute Bay	74°42' N	94°54' W	83 N	89 N	10
	St Johns	47°36' N	52°42' W	58 N	70.8 N	10
	Winnipeg	49°54' N	97°24' W	59.5 N	77.7 N	10
Denmark	Godhavn *	69°14'51" N	52°32'33" W	79.9 N	81.6 N	10
France	Bizerte (1) *	37°12' N	9°48' E		52 N	1
	Dakar (1)	14°36' N	17°24' E		23.5 N	1
	Djibouti (1)	11°30' N	43°12' E		3 N	}
	Domont (2) (till 1-4-51)	49°01'06" N	2°19'18" E	51.2 N	65 N	10
	Freiburg (1)	48°06' N	7°48' E		63 N	1
	Kerguelen (1) * : (Is)	49°12' S	69°48' E		69 S	1
	Nha-Trang (1)	12°12' N	109°12' E		4.5 N	
	Poitiers (2)	46°34'07" N	0°20'31" E	49.2 N	63 N	1.5
	Tamanrasset (2) *	22°47'25" N	5°31'38" E	25.1 N	30 N	
	Tananarive (1)	18°54' S	47°36' E		54 S	1
	Terre Adélie (2) (until 20-1-52)	66°49'04" S	141°23'42" E	73.3 S	89 S	1.5

Frequency range Mc/s	Date of begin- ning of opera- tion	Time used : U.T. or reference meridian	Information on publication of results			
			(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)
1-16	6-43	150° E	H	6-43	X	CRPL. D Series.
1-16	3-37	150° E	H	1-49	X	Idem.
1-13	12-45	150° E	H	1-49	X	Idem.
1-13	6-50	150° E	H	6-50	X	Idem.
1-16	1-52	150° E	H	1-49	X	Idem.
1-16	7-35	120° E	M		X	CRPL. F Series.
2.5-12 1953 : 1-20	1947	15° E	M-G		G	« Ionospheric Data » Ionosphärenstation Graz University. CRPL. F Series.
1-16	8-51	U. T.	H		G	
1-25	1-49	90° W	M	2-49	G	CRPL. F Series.
0.6-20	8-43	90° W	M	8-43	G	Idem.
1-25	12-48	75° W	M	4-49	G	Idem.
0.6-20	1-42	75° W	M	5-43	G	Idem.
0.6-20	6-45	120° W	M	6-45	G	Idem.
1-25	2-49	90° W	M	2-49	G	Idem.
0.6-20	5-45	60° W	M	5-45	G	Idem.
0.6-20	9-46	90° W	M	9-46	G	Idem.
1-25	11-51	45° W	M	11-51	G	Idem.
1.25-20	1953		H	1953	X	SPIIM. O...B.
1.25-20	5-49	175° W	H	5-49	X	SPIIM. O35D.
1.25-20 2-20	10-51	variable	H	10-51	X	SPIIM. O64Dj.
1.5-15.2	10-3-50	U. T.	H	3-50	G	Bulletin d'Information du L.N.R.
1.25-20	7-46	75° E	H	7-46	X	SPIIM. O1F.
1.25-20	1953		H	1953	X	SPIIM. O...K.
	6-51	109°2 E	X	6-51	X	Limited distribution.
1.5-16.5	1-7-48	U. T.	H	7-48	G	Bulletin d'Information du L.N.R.
	1953					Idem
1.25-20	11-51	47°5 E	H	11-51	X	SPIIM. O65T.
1.5-17	14-2-51	U. T.	H	2-51	G	Bulletin d'Information de L.N.R.

Controlling country	Station	Geographic		Geomagnetic latitude °	Magnetic dip °	Power kW
		Latitude °	Longitude °			
Germany	Lindau/Harz	51°39' N	10°7'30'' E	52.3 N	66.3 N	10
Great Britain (3)	Slough	51°30' N	0°36' W	54.3 N	66 N	1
	Inverness (5)	57°24' N	4°12' E	60.8 N	70.5 N	1
	Falkland (Is)	51°42' S	57°48' W	40.4 S	46 S	1
	Singapore	1°18' N	103°48' E	10.1 S	16 S	1
	Ibadan	7°24' N	4° E	10.4 N	2.5 S	1
	Khartoum	15°36' N	32°36' E	12.9 N	13 N	1
	Port Lockroy	64°43' S	63°30' W	53.4 S	58 S	1
Japan	Akita	39°43'30'' N	140°08'12'' E	25.7 N	53.48 N	1
	Kokubunji (Tokyo)	35°42'04'' N	139°29'3'' E	25.4 N	49.25 N	1
	Wakkanai	45°23'36'' N	141°04'5'' E	35.3 N	59.36 N	1
	Yamagawa	31°12'05'' N	130°37'07'' E	20.3 N	44.33 N	1
Morocco	Casablanca	33°36'18'' N	7°38'19'' W	38.2 N	50 N	1.5
Portugal	Macao *	22°11'45'' N	113°32'39'' E		30.3 N	0.1
New Zealand	Christchurch :					
	Lincoln	43°36' S	172°42' E	48.1 S	68.55 S	2
	Godley Head	43°30' S	172°48' E	48 S	68.47 S	2
	Campbell Island	52°30' S	169°12' E	57.3 S	75.43 S	0.5
	Raratonga	21°18' S	159°48' W	21 S	38.12 S	2
Norway	Kjeller (Oslo)	59°58' N	11°06' E	60 N	72.8 N	1.5
	Tromsö	69°40' N	18°57' E	67.7 N	77.6 N	1.5
Sweden	Gothenburg : (Onsala)	57°24' N	11°55'12'' E	57.68 N	71.38 N	20
	Kiruna	67°51' N	20°14'24'' E	65.82 N	77.05 N	20

Frequency range Mc/s	Date of begin-ning of opera-tion	Time used : U.T. or reference meridian	Information on publication of results			
			(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)
1-16	1-1-48	15° E	M-G	1-48	G	F.T.Z. Editor : Joh. Wosnik, Düsseldorf, Issued by Fried Vieweg u. Sohn, Braunschweig.
0.55-16.5	1-31 ⁽⁴⁾	U. T.	H	9-43	G	
0.67-25	1-41 (Burg-head)	U. T.	H	3-48	G	
0.67-25	8-47	60° W	H	8-47	G	
0.67-25	10-48	105° E	H	10-48	G	
0.67-25	12-51	U. T.	H	12-51	G	
0.67-25	2-52	30° E	H	3-52	G	
1.1-16	3-48	60° W	H	3-48	G	
1-17	12-49	135° E	H	12-49	G	Ionospheric data in Japan.
1-17.2	12-45	135° E	H	12-45	G	Idem.
1-15.5	3-47	135° E	H	3-47	G	Idem.
1-22	12-46	135° E	H	12-46	G	Idem.
1.5-16	1-9-51	U. T.	H	9-51	G	Bulletin d'Information du L.N.R.
5.5-6.5	3-50	120° E	X	X	X	
1-13	11-44	172.5° E	H-G		G	Median values published in CRPL. Hourly values printed each month and distributed free of charge.
1-13	3-51	172.5° E	H-G		G	
1-15.5	4-44	165° E	H-G		G	Median values published in CRPL. Hourly values come at hand every 6 month intervals.
1.5-20	5-48	157.5° E	H-G		G	As for Christchurch.
0.67-25	11-48	15° E	H	11-48	G	CRPL. F Series.
0.67-25	1-51	15° E	H	1-51	G	Idem.
1-20	11-50	15° E	H	11-50	G	{ CRPL. Operated by Research Laboratory of Electronics Chalmers University of Technology.
1-20	8-48	15° E	H	8-48	G	{

Controlling country	Station	Geographic		Geo-magnetic latitude °	Magne-tic dip °	Power kW
		Latitude °	Longitude °			
Sweden	Luleå	65°36' N	22°7'12'' E	63.05 N	75.57 N	1
	Uppsala	59°48' N	17°36' E	58.5 N	72.1 N	5-10
Switzerland	Schwarzenburg	46°29'34'' N	7°12'22'' E	48.83 N	61.95 N	10
Union of South Africa	Cape Town	34°09' S	18°19' E	33 S	64 S	1
	Johannesburg	26°10' S	28°05' E	27 S	62 S	1
	Nairobi	1°17' S	36°48' E	4 S	25 S	1

(1) Station operated under the control of SPIM.

(2) Station operated under the control of B.I.F.

(3) Informations given applies as at 1st January 1953. These stations are operated under the D.S.I.R. Radio Research Organisation.

All communication should be addressed to Director, Radio Research Station, Ditton Park, Slough, Bucks, England.

Frequency range Mc/s	Date of begin- ning of opera- tion	Time used : U.T. or reference meridian	Information on publication of results			
			(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)
1.5-17	2-50	15° E	H	2-50	G	CRPL. Operated by the Royal Board of Telegraphs.
1.4-17	1-52	15° E	H	1-52	G	CRPL. NPL. Operated by the Research Institute for National Defence.
1-25	1-12-50	15° E	G	12-50	G	Bulletin Mensuel.
1-20	15-7-48	30° E	G	7-48	G	Monthly Bulletin of Ionospheric Characteristics.
1-20	3-5-46	30° E	G	6-47	G	Idem.
1-20	22-2-52	45° E	G	2-52	G	Idem.

(4) Early observations, intermittent or not complete.

(5) Present site of stations known as Burghead, Fraserburgh and Inverness.

TIME SIGNALS

OBSERVATOIRE NATIONAL DE PARIS

Bureau International de l'Heure

From 1st January 1953 onwards, international radio time signals from the Observatoire National, Paris (Bureau International de l'Heure) are transmitted by the Pontoise station according to the following schedule.

Automatic U. T.	Rhythmic U. T.	Call signals	Wavelengths m	Frequencies kc/s
0755-0800	0801-0806	FYP TQC9	3300 27.84	90.9 10 775
0855-0900	0901-0906	FYP FYA3	3300 40.39	90.9 7 428
0925-0930	0931-0936	FYP TQG5	3300 21.62	90.9 13 873
1255-1300	1301-1306	FYP TQG5	3300 21.62	90.9 13 873
1955-2000	2001-2006	FYP TQC9	3300 27.84	90.9 10 775
2055-2100	2101-2106	FYP FYA3	3300 40.39	90.9 7 428
2225-2230	2231-2236	FYP TQG5	3300 21.62	90.9 1 387

URSIGRAMS

European Ursigrams

According to the project of unification of the codes used for Ursigrams adopted in Zurich in 1950, and confirmed in Sydney in 1952, France and Western Germany broadcast, since July, 1st., 1952, European Ursigrams through the Poitiers station. The following parts of the codes used were published by the Bureau Ionosphérique Français (Laboratoire National de Radioélectricité).

1. — Data on solar area and chromosphere activity.
2. — Variations of the cosmic radiation intensity.
3. — Data on monochromatic intensity of the solar corona.
4. — Data on Es critical frequency (f_{Es}).
5. — Data on F2 critical frequency (f_{oF2}).
6. — Terrestrial magnetism.
7. — Ionospheric disturbance warnings.
8. — Observations on solar radio emission.

The codes of which a summary will be published in the Bulletin are available directly from the Bureau Ionosphérique Français (B.I.F.), 196, rue de Paris, Bagneux (Seine), or from the General Secretarial of U.R.S.I.

Abbreviated Codes for European Ursigrams (I)

1. — DATA ON SOLAR AREA AND CHROMOSPHERE ACTIVITY « CHROM » Code

The « CHROM » message includes :

- 1^o An identification group (5 figures).
- 2^o The Wolf relative number related to sunspots, and general data on the number and importance of activity centers and prominences (5 figures).

3º The main characteristics of newly formed centers and the pattern of the contained sunspots according to Brunner's (Zurich) classification (a group of 5 figures for each center).
and, if necessary :

4º Data on sudden prominence disappearances (5 figures for each disappearance).

5º Chromospheric bursts observed by the observatories co-operating in the drafting of the message (two groups of 5 figures for each burst).

Usually the kind of observation is given by the first figure.

,,1" activity center in the W hemisphere at its 1st. transit.

,,2" activity center in the E hemisphere at its 1st. transit.

,,3" activity center in the W hemisphere at its 2nd. transit.

,,4" activity center in the E hemisphere at its 2nd. transit.

,,5" activity center in the W hemisphere at its 3rd. transit.

,,6" activity center in the E hemisphere at its 3rd. transit.

,,7" sudden disappearance of prominence in the W hemisphere.

,,8" sudden disappearance of prominence in the E hemisphere.

,,9" burst observed in the W hemisphere.

,,0" burst observed in the E hemisphere.

CODING

First group. — Identification.

Rank of the figures in the group.

1. } Date of observation.
2. }

3. Number of days between the observation and the preceding
observation

4. } Observatory by which the message is drafted (N Code).
5. }

Second group. — General data on activity.

1. } Wolf's number according local observations (in the general
2. } message, Wolf's number is the mean of Wolf's numbers of
3. } each observatory).

4. General activity. 0 = null.

1 = weak.

2 = moderate.

3 = rather great.

4 = great.

5 = very great.

X = no observation.

Group beginning with „1” or „2”

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| 1. Reference figure | $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{„1” activity center in the} \\ \text{W hemisphere} \\ \text{„2” activity center in the} \\ \text{E hemisphere} \end{array} \right\}$ | $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{age} \\ \text{between} \\ \text{1 and} \\ \text{26 days} \end{array} \right\}$ |
| 2. Angular distance to central meridian, code L | | Values reduced |
| 3. Heliographic latitude | code φ | to 1200 UT |
| 4. In days, age of the center, when the observatory drafting the message knows the date of occurrence. | | |
| 5. Sunspot pattern according to Brunner’s (Zurich) classification (B code). | | |

Group beginning with „3” or „4”

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| 1. Reference figure | $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{„3” activity center in W hemisphere.} \\ \text{„4” activity center in E hemisphere.} \end{array} \right\}$ |
| 2 and 3. See above. | |
| 4. In days, age of the center on the last day of visibility at its first transit, X when the date of formation is unknown. | |
| 5. See above. | |

Group beginning with „5” or „6”

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| 1. Reference figure | $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{„5” Activity center in W hemisphere.} \\ \text{„6” Activity center in E hemisphere.} \end{array} \right\}$ |
| 2-5. See above. | |

Group beginning with „7” or „8”

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| 1. Reference figure | $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{„7” Sudden disappearance of a prominence} \\ \text{in W hemisphere.} \\ \text{„8” Sudden disappearance of a prominence} \\ \text{in E hemisphere.} \end{array} \right\}$ |
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- 2 and 3. As above (coordinates of prominence on the last day of visibility).
4. Time (in days) between the observation when the prominence disappeared and the last observation when it was observable. Disappearance between two observations „0” ; between the observation and the day before „1”. When there is a two day interval due to a gap in observations : „2” ; when the gap is greater the disappearance is not mentioned.
5. Importance of the prominence before it disappeared (scale 1-3).

Pair of groups beginning with „9” or „0”

First group.

1. Reference figure { „9” Chromospheric burst in W hemisphere.
 „0” Chromospheric burst in E hemisphere.
2. Angular distance to central meridian. L code { Values reduced
3. Heligraphic latitude φ code { to 1200 UT
4. Duration in tens of minutes } The 5th figure indicates whether the 4th refers to the duration of the *burst* or of the *observation*.
of the burst or observa-
tion (t code) }
5. Importance of the *Importance* ↑ ↑
burst : 1-3 scale { 1 } given { 1 4
 2 } by 2 5
 3 } 3 6

Second group.

1. Reference figure stating whether the time given refers to the beginning of the observation „9” or of the burst „0”.
- 2-5. Time of the beginning (hours and minutes U.T.).

CODES

L. Angular distance from the center of the phenomenon to the central meridian

The figure refers to the number, from the central meridian, of the 10° zone containing the center, according to the following scale.

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| 1. 0° - 10° | 4. 30° - 40° | 7. 60° - 70° |
| 2. 10° - 20° | 5. 40° - 50° | 8. 70° - 80° |
| 3. 20° - 30° | 6. 50° - 60° | 9. 80° - 90° |

φ. Heliographic Latitude

The figure refers to phenomena in N hemisphere or in S hemisphere according to the following scale.

1 = N area 0°-10°	6 = S area 0°-10°
2 = N area 10°-20°	7 = S area 10°-20°
3 = N area 20°-30°	8 = S area 20°-30°
4 = N area 30°-40°	9 = S area 30°-40°
5 = N area 40°-50°	0 = S area 40°-50°

N. Reference figures of observatories

01 = Arcetri-Firenze.	19 = Stockholm.
02 = Cambridge.	20 = Mitaka.
03 = Canberra.	21 =
04 = Greenwich.	22 =
05 = Huancayo.	23 =
06 = Kharkov.	24 =
07 = Kodaïkanal.	25 =
08 = Mac Math.	26 =
09 = Mount Wilson.	27 =
10 = Meudon.	28 =
11 = Ondrejov.	29 =
12 = Edinburgh.	30 = Arosa.
13 = Tachkent.	31 = U. S. Naval.
14 =	32 = Sacramento Peak.
15 = Zurich.	33 = Boulder.
16 = Kanzelhöhe.	34 = Climax.
17 = Schauinsland.	35 = Norikura.
18 = Wendelstein.	36 = Pic du Midi.
60 = Whole of German Observatories.	70 = Whole of French Observatories.
80 = Whole of French and German Observatories.	80 = Whole of European Observatories.

(l) Burst or observation duration

0 = less than 10 minutes.	5 = 51-60 minutes.
1 = 11-20 minutes.	6 = 61-70 minutes.
2 = 21-30 minutes.	7 = 71-80 minutes.
3 = 31-40 minutes.	8 = 81-90 minutes.
4 = 41-50 minutes.	9 = more than 91 minutes.

Four cases may occur :

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| 1º Times of beginning
and of end of bursts
observed | Figures „0” and „9” given in tens of
minutes the life of the phenomenon :
the 5th figure of the group (importance
of the burst) is 1, 2 or 3 (see above). |
| 2º The beginning of
the burst was obser-
ved not the end. | The actual life of the burst is unknown,
figures 0-9 give the observation dura-
tion ; distinction with the above case is
made with the 5th figure of the group :
4, 5 or 6. |
| 3º The end of the burst were observed, not the beginning : see 2º. | |
| 4º Neither the beginning or the end were observed : see 2º. | |

(B) *Sunspot pattern according to Brunner's (Zurich) classification*

1 = A pattern.	4 = D pattern.	7 = G pattern.
2 = B pattern	5 = E pattern.	8 = H pattern.
3 = C pattern.	6 = F pattern.	9 = I pattern.

German Observatories will use :

0 = facula area : the group describing the activity center will be followed by one of the following groups.

XXXX1 = K pattern. Compact facula area of medium or great brightness.

XXXX2 = L pattern. Scattered facula area, often constituted by small size facular points on very large zones.

2. — VARIATIONS IN COSMIC RADIATION INTENSITY
« CORAY » Code

CODING

First group. Date and identification.

Rank of the figure in the group.

1-2. Day of observation.

3. Momentary X.

4-5. Observation station (N code).

Second group. Time of observation-Percentage.

1. Duration of the variation in hours (0 = < 1 h, 8 = 8-9 h, 9 = > 9 h).

- 2-3. Time of the beginning of variation U.T.

Increase : hour (without minutes) U.T.

Decrease : hour (without minutes) U.T. plus 50.

Normal daily variations. Minimum at midnight, maximum at noon, time of beginning given by „XX”.

- 4-5. Variation percent.

Third group. Variation pattern. Time of maximum. Measuring set type.

1. Variation pattern before the maximum.

1 = Slow decrease.

3 = Sudden decrease.

6 = Slow increase.

8 = Sudden increase.

9 = Normal daily variation (minimum at midnight ; maximum, at noon). In this case, the time of beginning (first group) and of maximum (2nd. groupe) are replaced by „X”.

- 2-3. Time of maximum (U.T. without minutes).

4. Variation pattern after the maximum (as before the maximum, see above).

5. Type of measuring device.

1 = Small ionization room, without screen.

2 = Small ionization room, with screen.

3 = Large ionization room, without screen.

4 = Large ionization room, with screen.

5 = „Neutron” measuring device.

6 = Coïncidence Geiger counter.

CODE N

Station	Device
01 = Pr. Clay (Holland)	
02 = Freiburg.	Ionization room of 500 l with screen.
03 =	
04 = Pic du Midi.	
05 = Predigtstuhl.	Various 23-50 l rooms with or without screen.
06 =	
07 =	
08 = Wallgau.	4 l Kolhörster room with screen.
09 = Weissenau.	two Geiger-Müller counter sets.
10 = Zugspitze.	two Geiger-Müller counter sets.
11 = Heidelberg.	Neutron measuring set.

(To be continued).

French Ursigrams

We are informing the auditors of the French Ursigrams of the following modifications :

from January 1st., 1953, four broadcastings are transmitted simultaneously on two frequencies :

- (a) on 90.9 kc/s (3 300.3 m) for the four transmissions,
- (b) on one of the two new frequencies mentioned in the following table.

N. B. — The two frequencies 7 430 kc/s (40.38 m) and 12 855 kc/s (23.34 m) previously used are discontinued.

Time U.T.	Trans- mitter	Call signal	Frequency kc/s	Wave- length m	Wave pattern	Transmitted data	European Codes July 1952
1208	Pontoise	FYP TQC9	90.9 10 775	3300.3 27.84	A1 A1	Last data received and repetition of the day-before message (see 2008 and 2108 U. T.).	
1308	Pontoise	FYP TQG5	90.9 13 873	3300.3 21.62	A1 A1	{ Idem. <i>Sun :</i> General activity Location of activity centers Chromospheric bursts Corona Radio energy Atmospheric enhancements Sudden fading Terrestrial magnetism F2 critical frequency Es critical frequency	
2008	Pontoise	FYP TQC9	90.9 10 775	3300.3 27.84	A1 A1	{ CHROM CORON SOLER PERTU MAGNE FODEU ESFRE	
2108	Pontoise	FYP FYA3	90.9 7428	3300.3 40.39	A1 A1	{ Same as 2008	

INTERNATIONAL GEOPHYSICAL YEAR 1957 - 1958

Giving effect to various suggestions made since 1950, the General Assembly of the International Council of Scientific Unions, held in Amsterdam in October 1952, has approved decisions previously reached by its Executive Board to organize in 1957 and 1958 a world-wide study of certain geophysical and terrestrial phenomena.

All countries are requested to cooperate in a program of observations to be outlined by a special committee of the International Council of Scientific Unions, whose activities are concerned with the features to be investigated : astronomy, geography, geophysics, meteorology, radio-science.

In 1882 during the „First International Polar Year”, scientists cooperated to investigate geophysical phenomena, such as the aurora and magnetic storms.

During the „Second International Polar Year” organized in 1932-1933, investigations were directed particularly towards the magnetic storms.

For 1957-1958, an extension of the program is planned in order to investigate the whole earth and particularly the equatorial and polar regions. Such an extension of the program justifies the name of International Geophysical Year that has been given to this plan for simultaneous, international scientific experiment. Particular investigations will be directed to observation of the phenomena of the earth's outer atmosphere and will make possible the simultaneous observation of the behavior of the earth's atmosphere at a very large number of observation points. It is hoped also that other aspects of geophysics that depend for their understanding on scientific world-wide observations can also be investigated during the International Geophysical Year. In particular, special emphasis toward improved longitude determination is under consideration.

To coordinate the preparation of this scientific demonstration, the following special committee was set up by the International Council of Scientific Unions :

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One member not yet appointed.

International Council of Scientific Unions :

Col. E. HERBAYS (Belgium). (Provisional Secretary, 42, rue des Minimes, Brussels).

Besides, Professor S. CHAPMAN (Great Britain) has been appointed as Member of the Special Committee.

At the first call issued by the Committee, fifteen countries gave a favorable answer, National Committees appointed are listed below.

The Special Committee will meet next July to draft a first investigation program and to consider the means needed for its fulfillment. It is the hope of the Committee that the preliminary reports of the Unions and the National Committees will be available at this meeting.

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OF FORTHCOMING INTERNATIONAL SCIENTIFIC CONFERENCES**

Date	Subject	Organizer	Location
1953 March 11-April 8	World Meteorological Organisation. Commission for Synoptic Meteorology.	Secretary General, Dr. G. Swoboda, Campagne Rigot, Avenue de la Paix, Genève.	Washington
April 15-17	IUPAP. Colloquium on Optical Problems of Vision.	Dr. L. Villena, Consejo Nacional de Fisica, Serrano 121, Madrid.	Madrid
April 20-21	IUPAP. International Commission on Optics.		Madrid
June 30-July 3	ICSU. Special Committee for the International Geophysical Year 1957-1958.	E. Herbays, 42, rue des Minimes, Bruxelles.	Bruxelles
July 5-11	IUPAP. Colloquium on Cosmic Rays	Prof. L. Leprince-Ringuet, 17, rue Descartes, Paris, 5 ^e .	Bagnères-de-Bigorre, France
July 6-10	I.C.S.U. Executive Board	Dr. R. Fraser, Unesco House, Avenue Kléber, Paris.	Strasbourg
July 13-18	UIA. Symposium on Gas Dynamics in Interstellar Clouds.	General Secretary M. P. Th. Oosterhoff, Leiden Observatory, Netherlands.	Cambridge, England

July 22-25	UIA. Symposium on Coordination of Galactic Research.	Idem.	Groningen, Netherlands
August	International Astronomical Congress		Zurich
September 2-9	British Association for the Advancement of Science. Annual Meeting.	D. N. Lowe, Esq. Burlington House Piccadilly, London, W. 1.	Liverpool
September 4-13	International Conference on Theoretical Physics.	Prof. M. Kotany, Dept of Physics, Tokyo University.	Kyoto, Japon
September 14-24	IUPAP. Colloquium on Fundamental Physical Theory.	Dr. Y. Fujioka, Science Council of Japan, Uneo Park, Tokyo.	Idem
September	UTI-C.C.I.R. 7th Plenary Assembly.	International Telecommunication Union, Palais Wilson, Genève.	London
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July 6-10	IUPAP. 8th General Assembly.	Prof. P. Fleury, 3, Boulevard Pasteur, Paris, 15 ^e .	London
September	URSI. XIth General Assembly.	Secretary General, E. Herbays, 42, rue des Minimes, Bruxelles.	Netherlands
September	Joint Commission on the Ionosphere.	Idem.	Brussels
September (2nd half)	I.G.G.U. General Assembly.	Secretary General G. Laclavère, 30, Avenue Rapp, Paris 7 ^e .	Rome
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