

REPORT OF THE PRESIDENT OF THE INSTITUTE FOR 1950

The general affairs of the Institute marked time this year, as far as the President's office was concerned, but fortunately the Institute's fine condition is not critically dependent on presidential activity.

The situation at the University of California has caused considerable discussion and evoked strongly differing opinions from members of the Institute. While there was general agreement that a deplorable situation had been created by arbitrary actions of the regents, there was no agreement as to what, if anything, the Institute should do about it. (Several other scientific organizations, including the American Mathematical Society, have passed resolutions on the subject.) A committee, consisting of Paul S. Dwyer (chairman), M. A. Girshick, and Henry Scheffé, was appointed to report to the Council on the facts, and to make recommendations as to possible action.

Institute activities at the year's end were overshadowed by the news of the tragic deaths of Professor Wald and Mrs. Wald in India. It is needless to record here the central place of Wald's work in the progress of statistics in recent years. A proper appreciation will be published in a later issue of the *Annals*.

Five new Fellows were elected at the Christmas meeting: R. C. Bose, J. L. Hodges, Jr., O. Reiersøl, H. Rubin, L. J. Savage.

The following Nominating Committee was appointed to serve for the year 1951:

G. W. Brown, <i>Chairman</i>	G. E. Nicholson
K. J. Arrow	H. W. Norton
E. L. Lehmann	J. W. Tukey

The following is a list of committees of the Institute in 1950:

- Committee to Encourage Membership outside the United States*
T. W. Anderson, *Chairman* M. Loève
C. C. Hurd J. Marschak
- Committee on Tabulation*
H. O. Hartley, *Chairman* C. C. Hurd
C. I. Bliss A. N. Lowan
F. W. Dresch W. G. Madow
C. Eisenhart H. G. Romig
H. H. Germond I. E. Simon
- Committee on the Directory*
J. W. Tukey, *Chairman*
C. Eisenhart
- Committee on Statisticians in the Government Service*
W. E. Deming, *Chairman*
C. Eisenhart
- Committee for the Christmas Meeting*
W. G. Madow, *Chairman* J. E. Morton
M. H. Hansen J. Wolfowitz
M. Loève

6. *Committee for the 1950 Spring Meeting in North Carolina*
 H. Hotelling, *Chairman* S. B. Littauer
 D. Blackwell D. F. Votaw, Jr.
 H. Geiringer S. S. Wilks
7. *Midwest Program Committee*
 O. Kempthorne, *Chairman* K. May
 L. Hurwicz L. J. Savage
 W. G. Madow D. R. Whitney
8. *West Coast Program Committee*
 A. M. Mood, *Chairman* W. J. Dixon
 Z. W. Birnbaum J. L. Hodges, Jr.
 A. H. Bowker P. G. Hoel
9. *Program Committee for the Oak Ridge Meeting*
 O. Kempthorne, *Chairman* H. W. Norton
 A. S. Householder L. J. Savage
 H. Levene
10. *Committee to Look into Less Expensive Possibilities for Printing the Annals*
 T. W. Anderson, *Chairman* P. S. Dwyer
 W. E. Deming S. S. Wilks
11. *Committee for Special Invited Papers*
 W. G. Madow, *Chairman* O. Kempthorne
 T. W. Anderson A. M. Mood
12. *Committee to Revive the Statistical Research Memoirs*
 H. Scheffé, *Chairman* C. C. Hurd
 T. W. Anderson G. Kuznets
 W. Bartky
13. *Representative of the I. M. S. to the American Association for the Advancement of Science*
 J. Neyman
14. *Representative of the I. M. S. to the National Research Council, Division of Physical Sciences*
 W. Bartky
15. *Representative of the I. M. S. to the Mathematical Policy Committee*
 H. Scheffé
16. *Representative of the I. M. S. to the Joint Committee for Development of Statistical Applications in Engineering and Manufacturing*
 B. Epstein
17. *Representatives of the I. M. S. to the Inter-Society Committee on the Mathematical Training of Social Scientists*
 W. G. Madow, *Chairman*
 T. W. Anderson
18. *Representative of the I. M. S. to the American Academy of Political and Social Science*
 F. F. Stephan

J. L. DOOB
President

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