

THE WASHINGTON STATISTICAL SOCIETY

News Letter - June 1947

DR. ISADOR LUBIN TO BE PRINCIPAL SPEAKER
AT DINNER MEETING, JUNE 24

Dr. Isador Lubin will address the annual meeting of the Society at a dinner, Tuesday, June 24. His topic will be "The Statistical Requirements of World Stabilization".

Dr. Lubin, now with Confidential Reports, Inc., is a member of the Economic and Employment Commission of the United Nations. He was last year's President of the American Statistical Association, and was formerly Commissioner of Labor Statistics and Special Statistical Assistant to the White House.

The Chairman of this meeting will be Donald C. Riley, President of the Chapter and Deputy Chief of Division of Statistical Standards.

Election of Officers for 1947-48 will be held at the meeting.
(See reverse side for list of candidates)

Arrangements have been made to hold the annual meeting at a dinner, at the YWCA, 17th and K Sts. Dinner will be served at 6 P.M.

Reservations can be made by mailing the form below or by telephoning Samuel Weiss, Secretary-Treasurer of the Chapter, Bureau of Labor Statistics, Executive 2420, Ext. 1159, by Thursday, June 19. The price of the dinner is \$2.00. Interested non-members are invited to the dinner. Seating will be provided in the balcony for those not attending the dinner.

Reservation Form

Samuel Weiss
Bureau of Labor Statistics
Room 2119, Department of Labor
Washington 25, D.C.

Please reserve for me _____ places for dinner at the Annual Meeting of the Washington Statistical Society, Tuesday evening, June 24.

Check for \$ _____ is enclosed.

Signature _____

Election of Officers for 1947-48

As announced in the last News Letter, election of officers for 1947-48 will be held at the annual meeting. The two members nominated for each office by the nominating committee are:

President

Charles F. Sarle, Bureau of Agricultural Economics
Harold Wolkind, War Department

Vice-President

Irving H. Siegel, Veterans Administration
Ernst W. Swanson, Chamber of Commerce of the United States

Secretary-Treasurer

Albert A. Eisenstat, Bureau of the Census
Samuel Weiss, Bureau of Labor Statistics

Additional nominations may be made from the floor at the annual meeting before elections are held and space for write-in votes will be provided on the ballot.

Report of the Secretary-Treasurer

Attached is the report of the Secretary-Treasurer for the year 1946-47. Please read this report prior to the meeting date, so that an approval vote may be held at the annual meeting.

Samuel Weiss
Secretary-Treasurer

WASHINGTON STATISTICAL SOCIETY
REPORT OF THE SECRETARY-TREASURER FOR THE YEAR 1946-1947

During the year just ending, the position of the Society has been improved in terms of increased membership, greater financial assets, and growth of attendance at meetings.

A major event of the year was the annual meeting of the American Statistical Association in Atlantic City, at which papers were presented by many members of the Society. A large group attended the meeting of the parent organization, and took part in the discussions. Attendance at the Atlantic City meeting was facilitated by obtaining three special railway cars which went directly to Atlantic City.

This year we have resumed the custom of holding the annual meeting of the Society at a dinner, a custom which had to be suspended during the war years.

Subjects discussed at the monthly meetings during the year included International Statistics, The National Survey of Liquid Assets, The 1947 Census of Manufactures, Labor Productivity, Material Requirements for Full Employment, and International Economic Comparisons. Attendance at the meetings has been consistently good and has exceeded that of previous years.

The Public Opinion Section, which is in its second year, has attracted attendance nearly as large as that of the regular meetings. Subjects of discussion were Practical Problems in the Use of Mail Questionnaires, Scales of Measurement in Attitude Surveys, Measuring the Size of the Labor Force - A Problem in Attitude Measurement, and The Hiring and Training of Interviewers.

Financially, the position of the Society has continued to improve. Two special donations--one to Professor Mahalanobis and one to the libraries of war-torn countries--were made in addition to the usual operating expenses. The year closes with \$308.67 on hand, before deduction of expenses in connection with the annual dinner. A balance of \$213.72 was on hand at the beginning of the year. A summary

of the financial affairs of the Society during the 1946-1947 fiscal year is given below:

<u>Receipts</u>		<u>Expenditures</u>	
Brought forward from last year	\$213.72	To Professor P.O. Mahalanobis (contributed to Sankhya)	\$ 25.00
1946-47 Dues collected at the National Office		Donation to Libraries of War-Torn Countries	25.00
In 1946	120.50		
In January 1947	83.50	To ASA for News Letters and incidental expenses	
In February 1947	41.50	October and November 1946	29.91
In March 1947	17.50	January 1947	9.05
In April 1947	18.50	February 1947	59.82
In May 1947	6.50	April 1947	44.37
Dues collected personally	1.50	Miscellaneous	1.40
Total	<u>\$503.22</u>	Total expended	<u>\$194.55</u>
		On hand	<u>308.67</u>
		Total	503.22

Samuel Weiss
Secretary-Treasurer