

UNESCO Names Scripps Man To New Office

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The United Nations Educational, Scientific, and Cultural Organization (UNESCO) has chosen a 39-year-old oceanographer from The University of California's Scripps Institution of Oceanography to head its recently established Office of Oceanography.

Warren S. Wooster, Associate Research Oceanographer on the Scripps Staff, will leave soon after the first of the year for Paris where he will make his headquarters.

The Office of Oceanography was authorized by the UNESCO Council in November. At the same time, it set up an Intergovernmental Oceanographic Commission. The aim of both bodies is to foster international cooperative research in the marine sciences. As Director of the Office of Oceanography, Wooster will serve as Secretary of the Commission.

A native of Massachusetts, Wooster received his bachelor's degree from Brown University, his master's from California Institute of Technology, his doctor's degree, in Oceanography, from The University of California.

Dr. Wooster has led several of Scripps' long expeditions, among them a part of Northern Holiday Expedition to the Gulf of Alaska, Shellback Expedition to Peru, Transpacific Expedition to Japan and Step-I, from which he has just returned, to Chile and Peru. During 1957, he worked in Peru as Director of Investigations of a fisheries-oceanography program for the Peruvian Government. In the fall of 1959 he taught a course in oceanography at the Oceanographic Institute of Nhatrang, Vietnam, under the sponsorship of UNESCO.

His particular field of interest is in the physical and chemical oceanography of the eastern Pacific Ocean. He has conducted extensive studies of the Peru Current. He is a member of the American Geophysical Union, the Society of Limnology and Oceanography, and the Arctic Institute of North America. He is a member of the Board of Editors of the publication, "Oceanic Observations of the Pacific".

Dr. and Mrs. Wooster and their three children live at 9460 La Jolla Shores Drive, La Jolla. His family will join him in Paris this summer.