

## Translation of the Soviet Antarctic Expedition Information Bulletin

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The production of the English edition of the *Soviet Antarctic Expedition Information Bulletin* has continued very slowly during the past year. At the time of our last report (*Antarctic Journal*, Vol. IV, No. 5, p. 236-237), we had completed the numbers through 66, comprising the 12 issues that we designated as Volume 6. Numbers 67-71—the first five numbers of Volume 7—were in hand and in progress. Since that time, the first four (67-70) of these have been issued in English edition. No. 71 of the Russian series was held in abeyance to combine with Number 72 to comprise the third two-number issue. Nos. 72-75 have arrived only recently and are now in the translation process. The English edition of two additional issues (Nos. 71 through 74) will be available soon. No. 75 is also being translated, but will await the arrival of No. 76 for issuance.

The issues of Volume 7 have been somewhat smaller than previously, comprising in each case 100 pages or less excepting No. 74, which contains 136 pages in the Russian original. Nos. 67 to 75 comprise a total of only 850 pages. However, they are a valuable source of information on the work undertaken in the Antarctic by the U.S.S.R.

The English editions of the bulletins are available from the American Geophysical Union starting with No. 31. Nos. 31-42 comprise what we have called Volume 4; 43-54, Volume 5; 55-66, Volume 6; and 67-78, Volume 7. The first three volumes were published by Elsevier in book form. The current subscription rate to cover the 12 numbers is \$40. Prospective subscribers are invited to write to the American Geophysical Union, 2100 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20037, for details.

## Antarctic Research Series

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The *Antarctic Research Series*, initiated in 1963 by the American Geophysical Union with the aid of a grant from the National Science Foundation, provides a focal point for research papers in all fields

of antarctic science. The series presents original contributions that are of value not only to scientists and students involved in antarctic studies, but also to those whose major scientific interests lie outside that region. Volume 13 was released in May 1969.

Volume 14, *Antarctic Cirripedia*, edited by William A. Newman and Arnold Ross, will be released in September 1970. This comprehensive treatise reviews all barnacle species ever taken from antarctic waters: 85 species, 29 genera, and 9 families. Of these, 20 species, 9 genera, and 1 family are described as new. All antarctic cirripeds are illustrated and described with keys to each; charts are used to show their present geographical distribution. This volume will total approximately 260 pages, contain 48 plates and 90 text figures, and will be priced at \$25.

It is expected that *Antarctic Oceanology I, Biology of the Antarctic Seas IV, A Field Guide to Antarctic Birds*, and *Antarctic Pinnipedia* will be released within the next year. Volumes are also being compiled on glaciology, geology, and conjugate-point studies, in addition to several biological monographs.

The first 13 volumes of the series (see *Antarctic Journal*, Vol. III, No. 5, p. 211 and Vol. IV, No. 5, p. 236) are still available through the American Geophysical Union, Suite 435, 2100 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20037. A special offer is in effect for those desiring the full series.

## Antarctic Geographic Nomenclature

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The primary objective of this continuing work is to build an orderly, comprehensive geographic nomenclature for the antarctic region. In 1947, the Board on Geographic Names (BGN) issued Special Publication No. 86 which listed some 800 approved antarctic names. In 1969, BGN issued Gazetteer No. 14, 3rd edition, listing 10,000 approved names.

During the year ending June 30, 1970, the Geographic Names Division continued to perform the research and other staff functions for the Advisory Committee on Antarctic Names (ACAN), which makes recommendations on antarctic names and policy to the BGN and the Secretary of the Interior. ACAN met five times in this period, taking action to approve 364 new names, amend three names, redefine three features, and rescind one former decision.