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World Telecommunication Day, 17 May 1969

The first World Telecommunication Day—with the theme "The ITU"—was celebrated on 17 May by most of the Member countries of the Union.

At the presidential table, from left to right: Mr. G. Valensi, former Director of the CCIF; Mr. D. A. Davies, Secretary-General of the WMO; Mr. A. Ruffieux, State Councillor; Mr. J. Humbert, Ambassador, Permanent Observer for Switzerland at the United Nations Office in Geneva and Permanent Representative to the international organizations in Switzerland; Mr. M. Mili, Secretary-General of ITU; Mr. W. J. Wilson and M. Ben Abdellah, respectively, Chairman and Vice-Chairman of the 24th Session of the ITU Administrative Council; Mr. G. Palthey, Deputy Director-General of the United Nations Office in Geneva; Mr. C. Ketterer, Mayor of Geneva; Mr. L. Barajas Gutiérrez, representative of the Mexican Administration at the ITU Administrative Council; Mr. L. Mulatier, former Secretary-General of the ITU

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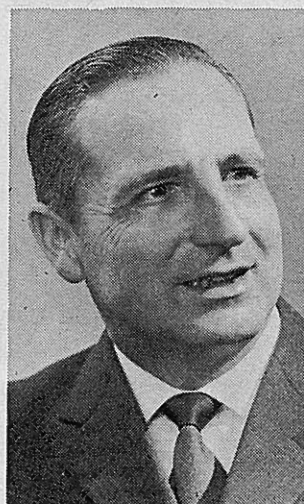
The occasion was marked by many sound and television broadcasts, special ceremonies, exhibitions and various events in which the role of the ITU in international telecommunications was described and explained.

The event received wide coverage in the world press.

At ITU headquarters a ceremony took place during a special meeting of the Administrative Council, in the presence of the Swiss authorities and representatives of the United Nations and specialized agencies. A film of the United Nations Secretary-General, U Thant, reading a message to the ITU, was shown to the participants. Many congratulatory telegrams were also received at Union headquarters.

In view of the importance and the number of ceremonies of which we have received reports and photographs, a special brochure will shortly be issued as an inset in the *Journal*, giving as clear a picture as possible of this first World Telecommunication Day.

Meeting of CCITT Study Group II



Mr. R. Rütschi

under the chairmanship of Mr. R. Rütschi

At Mar del Plata the Plenary Assembly of the CCITT assigned 17 new questions to Study Group II (Telephone operation and tariffs). To make proper preparation for the work which will be spread over the period between now and the next Plenary Assembly in 1972, Study Group II met in Geneva from 24-28 March, 1969,

(Switzerland), assisted by the Vice-Chairman, Mr. N. J. M. Biezen (Netherlands).

The meeting was in three stages, the first stage being devoted to a preliminary examination of all the questions and to an initial exchange of views on the way to organize the studies. As a result five Working Parties were set up, or rather revived, for they are all Working Parties which have already successfully carried out similar studies before the 1968 Plenary Assembly.

- Working Party 1 (Chairman: Mr. O. Huber, Federal Republic of Germany) will deal with questions relating to international accounts;
- Working Party 2 (Chairman: Mr. J. M. Larochette, France) was entrusted with the review of the Instructions for the international telephone service;
- Working Party 3 (Chairman: Mr. D. Warner, United States) will study questions relating to the Telephone Regulations;
- Working Party 4 (Chairman: Mr. A. P. Hawkins, United Kingdom) will concern itself with television transmissions;
- Working Party 5 (Chairman: Mr. J. E. Karlin, United States) will be studying human factors.

In accordance with what was proposed during the discussion of the methods of work of the CCITT, various members of the Study Group have undertaken to prepare the work for the next meeting.

Each of these volunteers agreed to devote himself to the study of a specific question. They will examine in detail the contributions received from administrations on each particular question and prepare a summary for the next meeting of the Study Group. This preparatory work by the rapporteurs will certainly facilitate further study by the Study Group and, we hope, help to shorten the debates.

Mr. J. C. Tremblay (Canada) is responsible for the question of conference calls (Question 6/II).

Mr. G. Bartolucci (Italy) will collect material on the means of obtaining information on foreign subscribers' numbers (Question 7/II).

Mr. A. L. A. Owoyemi (Nigeria) will prepare the question concerning arrangements for the payment of telephone calls by persons travelling abroad (Question 9/II).

Mr. O. B. Gibson (United States) will collect data on methods of determining the