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HYDROGRAPHIC TITLE SHEET

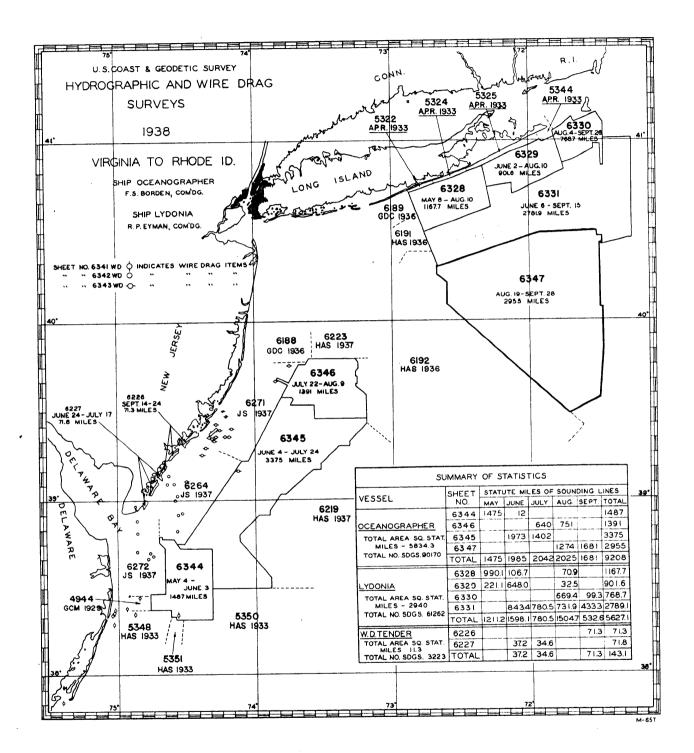
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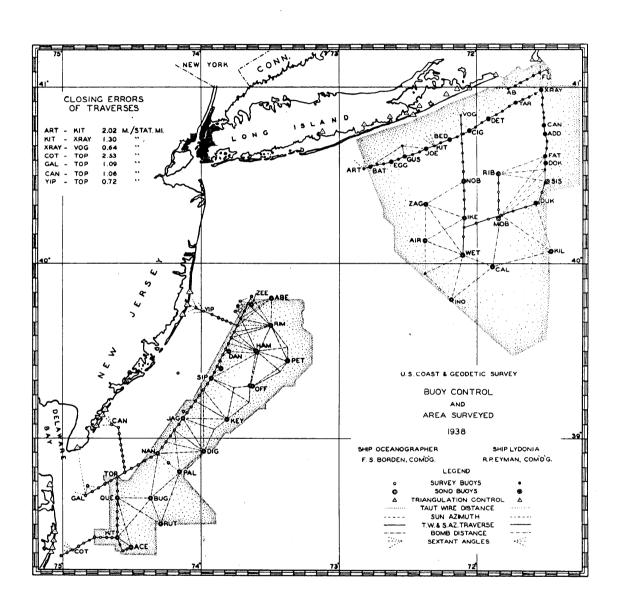
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REGISTER NO. 6347

| State New York. |
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| General locality Long Island |
| Locality Off Fastern Portion of Long Island: Montauk Point |
| Scale 1:120,000 Date of survey Aug. 19 to Sept. 281938 |
| Vessel OCEANOGRAPHER |
| Chief of Party Frank S. Borden |
| Surveyed by Ship's Officers |
| Protracted by E. H. Kirsch |
| Soundings penciled by E. H. Kirsch |
| Soundings in fathoms, feet and sixths |
| Plane of reference Mean Low Water |
| Subdivision of wire dragged areas byNone |
| Inked by G.C. McGlasson |
| Verified by G.C. MºG/assom |
| Instructions dated March 4 , 19 38 |
| Remarks: |

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DESCRIPTIVE REPORT - SHEET NO. 6347

DATE OF INSTRUCTIONS:

The work on this sheet was done in accordance with instructions, Project No. HT-207, dated May 16, 1936 and supplemental instructions, Project No. HT-207, dated March 4, 1938.

LIMITS:

This sheet covers a deep water area, triangular in shape, south of the eastern half of Long Island. The area is enclosed in red on the attached sketch which shows the limits of all sheets of the 1938 season. There is no recent survey joining the eastern edge of the sheet. The southwestern edge is joined by Sheet No. 61925 H. A. Seran, 1936. The northern edge is joined by Sheet No. 6331 R. P. Eyman, 1958.

The junctions with the various sheets are discussed in subsequent paragraphs in this report.

SURVEY METHODS:

This survey was controlled by a closed taut wire - sun azimuth traverse. The traverse was started at buoy UMP, which was located by sextant fixes from triangulation stations ashore. Fixes were also obtained at the second buoy of the traverse, VAG. These fixes are recorded on page No. 2 of sounding volume No. 1. The traverse contained south to buoy HAL, thence ENE to buoy HUB, thence northerly to buoy GOB. The LYDONIA carried the traverse from buoy GOB northerly to a shore tie, except that the OCEANOGRAPHER did all taut wire work. A spur traverse was run south from buoy HAL to buoy WET. Other sono buoys were located by bomb distance from sono buoys located in the above traverse. For traverse and bombing data, geographic positions, Filed in adjustments and closures, refer to special file, Ship OCEANOGRAPHER Acc. No. Sinos 1938, which will be submitted in the near future with other miscellaneous data related to the season's work.

Three point fixes were taken on the buoys to control the hydrography to the limit of visibility of the buoys. The greater portion of the sheet, however, was controlled by R.A.R., using sono buoys placed in the traverse line, or located by bomb distances. For the method of computing the bomb distances to these sono buoys and the distances to the hydrographic positions, refer to the descriptive report for Sheet No. 6344. The method described in that report was used to the sixty fathom curve only on this sheet. Due curve to the fact that there is a sharp break in the velocity (trip No. 9) at about sixty fathoms, the above method had to be supplemented.

The velocity of sound increased rapidly with depth from 45 fathoms to sixty fathoms, the velocity being 1497 meters per second at sixty fathoms. The velocity then remains almost constant to a depth of one hundred fathoms, having increased one meter per second. From one hundred fathoms down the velocity slowely decreases with depth. For obtaining velocities to hydrographic positions beyond the sixty fathom curve the following additional work was applied to the first described method.

A second overlay was placed on the boat sheet and average depth curves were drawn for each buoy as before, but between the only sixty and 275 fathom curves and using the 60 fathom curve as the starting point in taking out the average depths.

In computing the final distances the velocity curve was treated as a straight line from the buoy depth to 60 fathoms, and as a straight line with different slope from 60 fathoms to 275 fathoms. Beyond the 275 fathom curve a constant velocity of 1480 meters per second was used.

Between the 60 fathom and 275 fathom curves the final distances were obtained by multiplying the total distance in seconds by the velocity obtained at the 60 fathom curve. Then the distance in seconds, to the nearest second, from the 60 fathom curve to the position was multiplied by the difference between velocities at 60 fathoms and the position, as found from the second overlay. This value was then applied to the first as a plus or minus correction and was entered in the bomb record.

For positions outside the 275 fathom curve there are two corrections. The first is the product of the distance in seconds from the 60 fathom curve to the position, and the difference in velocity at the 60 fathom curve and 275 fathom curve. The correction is applied according to sign. The second correction is the product of the distance in seconds from the 275 fathom curve to the position by the difference in velocity at the 275 fathom curve and 1480. The second correction was always minus.

The traverse previously described furnished the horizontal control for this sheet with the exception of an area of approximately 300 square miles on the northeast portion of the sheet. The reason for this follows:

The entire sheet was sounded during the last three trips of the season, which were trips Nos. 8, 9 and 10. During the interval between trip 9 and 10, the severe hurricane of September 21 apparently dragged all survey buoys to the northward. To control the work for the final trip, a new six buoy, taut wire - sun azimuth traverse

was established across the remaining area to be surveyed. A position was assumed for the northerly buoy RIB, and this traverse computed and plotted on a celluloid projection. The balance of the seasons work was controlled by this traverse, plus one sono buoy SIS, bombed in from the new traverse.

The area surveyed during trip No. 10 was extended sufficiently to insure a good overlap with previously completed work on the north, east, south and west. Then by matching depth curves in this overlap the final position of the blind traverse was determined and the work on the two surveys coordinated. Before the buoys were picked up, survey buoys GOB, FAT, and HAM, of the original traverse, were bombed in by the LYDONIA to the new traverse. There were indications that perhaps one of these buoys had not dragged.

The area was smooth plotted on a separate projection which was constructed on an aluminum mounted sheet. A tracing on celluloid was made and fitted into position on Sheet No. 6347 by matching soundings and depth curves. In so doing it was noted that buoy GOB of the original traverse had not dragged during the hurricane of September 21st. The bombed position of buoy GOB, from the RIB - MOB traverse therefore gives a tie to the original traverse. The assumed position of RIB was found to be too far north by 435 meters and too far east by 981 meters. All buoys in the new traverse were corrected to sheet datum (N.A. 1927) and plotted on the sheet in correct position. The hydrographic positions were not replotted on the sheet but transferred in correct datum from the overlay on which they had been smooth plotted. Soundings were then penciled on the sheet directly from the record books.

FATHOMETER:

"A" day was started with the Dorsey No. 1 fathometer with the initial set at 14 feet. This fathometer was used through position 73 "A" day, August 19, 1938. A new line was started at position 74 "A" day using the Dorsey No. 2 fathometer with the initial set at 18 feet. This initial setting of 18 feet was used through position 21 "B" day, 7:04 O'clock, August 20, 1938. Comparisons with wire soundings were then taken and the INITIAL SETTING CHANGED FROM 18 FEET TO 14 FEET. The No. 2 fathometer with the initial at 14 feet was used for the remainder of the sheet.

SOUNDING REDUCERS:

Soundings were reduced as described in the descriptive report for Sheet No. 6344 to a depth of 200 fathoms. In depths of 200 fathoms or more the corrections for draft, settlement, index and tide were dropped. The velocity of sound correction was retained however and entered to the nearest fathom. From the mean temperature and salinity curve of trip No. 9, September 7 to September 16, the following table of deep water corrections was compiled and used.

| DEPTH - FATH. | - TEMP °C | - SALINI TY | - MEAN TEMP. IN 200 FATH. LAYERS | - MEAN SA LINITY IN 200 FATH. LAYERS | - MEAN VEL IN 200 FATH. LATERS | - MEAN - : VEL SUR- FACE TO DEPTH | | RRECTION FEET |
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| 600 | 4.0 | 35.0 | 4.1 | 35.1 | 1483.6 | 1490.8 | 00587 | - 21.13 |
| 800 | 4.0 | 34.9 | 4.0 | 3 5.0 | 1489.5 | 1490.4 | 00613 | - 29.42 |
| 1000 | 3.9 | 34.8 | 3.9 | 34.9 | 1495.5 | 1491.4 | 00547 | - 32.82 |
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Most of the serial temperatures observed by the OCEANOGRAPHER during trip No. 9, September 7 to September 16, were taken
in deep water, 50 fathoms or over. The positions of these serials
were apparently far enough off shore so that some effect from the
Gulf Stream was recorded. This mean curve is somewhat warmer than
those of other trips in corresponding depths. This mean curve is
correct and was used in correcting soundings of 50 fathoms and over.
It was noted, however when smooth plotting, that the soundings under
50 fathoms when corrected from this curve, failed to cfoss soundings
under 50 fathoms from other trips, by one to three feet. The soundings
at the inshore edge of the area covered during trip No. 9, were too
deep due to the warm temperature observed in deeper water.

The LYDONIA had observed a serial temperature in 43 fathoms on September 7, and one in 42 fathoms on September 12 at the inshore edge of our work. These were combined with two of our serials in less than 50 fathoms to obtain a new mean temperature curve for correcting soundings under 50 fathoms during trip No. 9. Crossings were improved so that there is no error in most cases. Soundings over 50 fathoms were corrected from our original mean temperature curve for trip No. 9.

METHODS USED IN SMOOTH PLOTTING:

Distance circles were drawn for each sono buoy at intervals of 10,000 meters. These circles were left in pencil. The distance arcs to the positions were finally traced with colored ink, each sono buoy

having a distinctive color. Gyro compass bearings were drawn with a black dashed line where used in connection with distance arcs but not shown when taken with a three point fix.

Gyro compass bearings were recorded in the sounding record as observed, but when plotted a correction of minus one degree was applied. This minus one degree was a constant correction to the gyro compass through the season. Errors in bearings due to oscillations of the gyro compass following a turn at the end of a line were as great as three degrees and therefore the bearings were not always dependable. Erroneous bearings were not plotted on the smooth sheet.

The dead reckoning notes were plotted on tracing paper for each line, and superimposed over the arcs and bearings. For small differences, the arcs and bearings were assumed to be correct, but were rejected in the sounding record where they were obviously in error.

Soundings are plotted in fathoms and feet. In penciling the soundings on this sheet, the line under the foot digit, to indicate sixths of fathoms, was omitted to avoid confusion. If this line is desired it should be added when the soundings are inked. (this line inted.)

Bottom characteristics were recorded on the serial temperature forms. For convenience they have been copied on page No. 2 of volume No. 1.

DISCREPANCIES.

In general the crossings on this sheet are satisfactory. Discrepancies in no case exceed one per cent of the depth except on the very steep slopes on the sides of the submarine valleys.

COMPARISONS WITH ADJOINING SHEETS:

The junction with Sheet No. 6331 on the north is satisfactory. The junction with Sheet No. 6192 on the southwest is satisfactory out approximately to the 500 fathom curve. Beyond this however there appears to be a gradually increasing discrepancy which attains rather large proportions at the 1000 fathom curve. Unfortunately the junctions along the outer portions of the two surveys fall in a region of very irregular bottom. Furthermore the warm pool of water which lies on the continental shelf outside of the 45 fathom curve, is covered with colder water which makes it impossible to determine exact velocities for R.A.R. work. On the 1936 survey the ship was from 35 to 50 miles from the station ships when working along the junction line where the discrepancies occur and the arc intersections were consequently very acute. On the present survey when working in this locality the ship was 25 to 35 miles from the radio sono buoys and although the arc intersections were somewhat acute it is apparent from a study of the general

directions of the arcs that very little of the discrepancy can be attributed to this circumstance. Smooth plotting has reduced the discrepancy somewhat from that indicated originally on the boat sheet but it will still be necessary to swing the outer portion of the 1936 survey about one best mile to the southwestward to obtain See par 4 b a satisfactory junction between the two surveys. This should not of feriew. be done however until completion of the 1939 season when it is proposed to accomplish additional work in this locality.

Respectfully submitted,

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E. H. Kirsch, Lt. (jg.), C&GS., Ship OCEANOGRAPHER.

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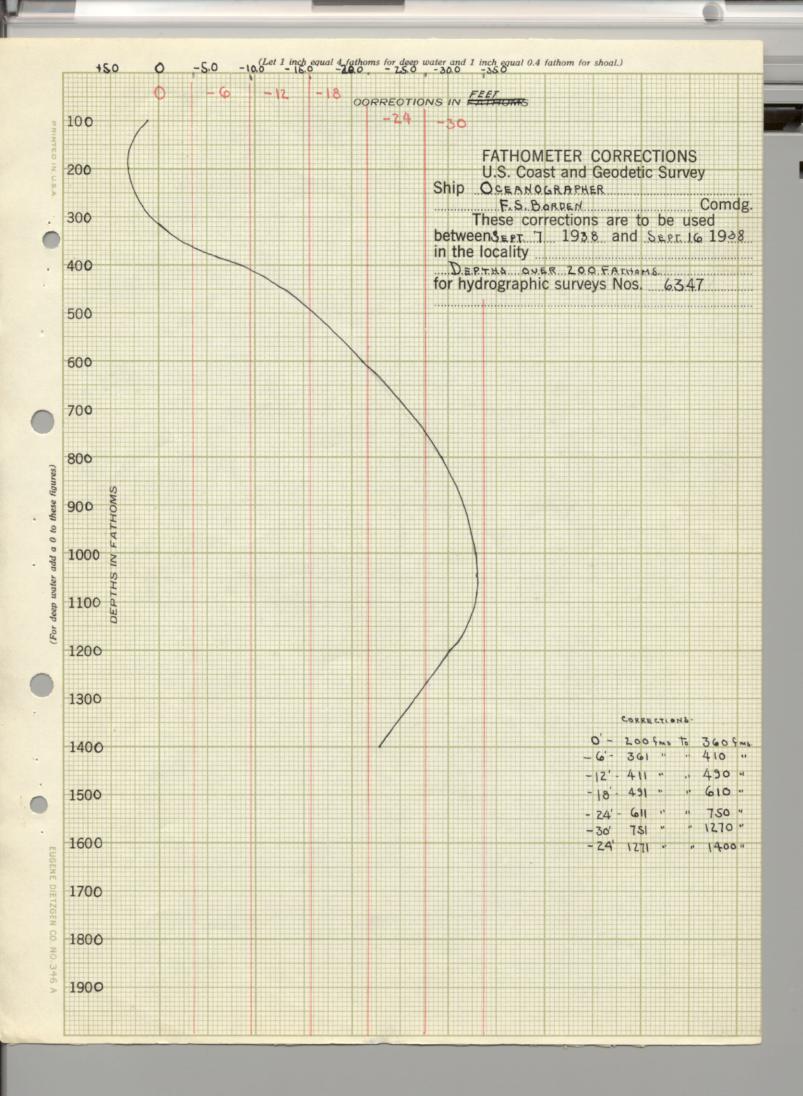
Frank S. Borden, Comdr., C&GS.,

Commanding Ship OCEANOGRAPHER.

STATISTICS

PROJECT H. T. 207 SHEET 6347

| | DAT | € | DAY | STAT. MILES | SOUNDINGS | POSITION | TIDE STATION |
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| Aug. | • | 1938 | | 174 197 223 270 26 42 99 | 1574 1853 2058 2447 171 525 907 830 | 109 122 145 190 11 41 64 | Block Island standard gage - M.L.W. is 3.0 feet on staff. No time or range correction. 60th M. time. |
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| Sept. | 7, 10 11 12 13 14 | 11 11 11 11 | K L M N P Q | 137 90 191 252 280 293 | 1277 843 1761 2321 2789 2732 | 90 76 137 191 184 187 | Newport, Rhode Island standard gage. Heights x 0.9 to reduce to Block Island. 60th M. time. |
| Sept. | 26, 27 28 | n n | R S T | 42 277 115 | 376 2549 1072 | 28 232 101 | Block Island portable gage. M.L.W. is 2.8 feet on staff. One hour correction in time to 60th M. from 75th M. No range correction. |
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TIDE NOTE FOR HYDROGRAPHIC SHEET

July 6, 1939.

Division of Hydrography and Topography:

Division of Charts: Attention: Mr. H. R. Edmonston.

Plane of reference approved in 12 volumes of sounding records for

HYDROGRAPHIC SHEET 6347

Locality Off Montauk Point, Southeast of Long Island.

Chief of Party: F. S. Borden in 1938
Plane of reference is mean low water reading
4.1 ft. on tide staff at Atlantic City
15.8 ft. below B. M. 32

Height of mean high water above plane of reference is 4.1 feet.

Condition of records satisfactory except as noted below:

Chief, Division of Tides and Currents.

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Field Records Section (Charts)

HYDROGRAPHIC SHEET NO. H.6347

The following statistics will be submitted with the cartographer's report on the sheet:

| Number of positions on sheet | 20.75 |
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| Number of positions checked | 2 |
| Number of positions revised | 0 |
| Number of soundings recorded | 27,538 |
| Number of soundings revised | 5 |
| Number of soundings erroneously spaced | |
| Number of signals erroneously plotted or transferred | 0 |

Date: Sept. 5, 1939

Verification by G.C. MªGlasson

Review by Reverse

Time: 13 days +4 hours (95 hr.)

Pime: 19 hours

HYDROGRAPHIC SURVEY NO. H6347

| Smooth Sheet Yes |
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| Boat Shoet Yes |
| Records; Sounding 12 Vols., Wire Drag Vols., Bomb Vols. |
| Descriptive Report Yes |
| Title Sheet Yes |
| List of Signals |
| Landmarks for Charts (Form 567) |
| Statistics Yes |
| Approved by Chief of Party D. R. only |
| Recoverable Station Cards (Form 524) |
| Special Chart for Lighthouse Service (Circular Nov.30, 1933) |
| Hydrography: Total Days 18; Last Date fept. 28, 1938 |
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MEMORANDUM IMMEDIATE ATTENTION

| SURVEY DESCRIPTIVE REPORT | 1 [NL]. 11 "- | registered June 8, 1939 verified reviewed |
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This is forwarded in order that your attention may be directed to the matters as indicated below. Please initial in column 3 as an acknowledgement that your attention has been thus directed. The complete original records are available if desired. If you cannot give this your immediate attention, please initial, note, and forward to the next section marked, calling for the records at your convenience.

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RETURN TO

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Sept, 5, 1939.

Verification Report Hydrographie Survey No. 6347 (1938)

1. Condition of Becords.

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2. Shoreline and Signals.

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3. Sounding Line Crossings.

The sauding line crossings are in general very good. Dis chepancies seldom except on very steep slaper.

4. Depth Curver.

Within the area of the present survey the vouced depth curver may be

satisfactorily drown.

5. Junctions with Contingorary Surveys.

The junction on the worth with H 6331(1938) is efcellent.

The junction on the south with with H 6192(1936) is satisfactory out approximately to the 300 fothom answer. Beyond this area it appears to be an increasing discrepancy. Therefore this portion of the junction was left in purish.

6. aids to Hovigation.

There are no aids to novigation on the sheet.

7. Field Plotting.

The field platting was very good.

8 Note to Review.

The soundings, as selected by the field porty were accepted and inbed by the verifice.

Respectfully submitted,

Section of Field Records

REVIEW OF HYDROGRAPHIC SURVEY NO. 6347 (1938) FIELD NO. 121

Off Montauk Point, Southeast of Long Island, New York Surveyed in Aug. Sept. (1938), Scale 1:120,000 Instructions dated March 4, 1938 (OCEANOGRAPHER)

No. 1 and No. 2 Dorsey Fathometer Soundings. 3 Point fixes on survey buoys. RAR control using Sono-radio buoys.

Chief of Party - Frank S. Borden
Surveyed by - Ship's Officers
Protracted by - E. H. Kirsch
Soundings plotted by - E. H. Kirsch
Verified and inked by - G. C. McGlasson

Shoreline and Signals.

- a. This is an offshore survey and no shoreline is shown.
- b. For origin of signals see pages 1, 2 and 3 of the descriptive report and Buoy Control Data filed in the Library under accession No. S-1708.

2. Depth Curves.

The 50, 100 and 200 fathom curves can be satisfactorily drawn. A short section of the 1000 fathom curve is shown close to the southeastern limits of the survey.

Sounding Line Crossings.

The agreement of depths at line crossings is satisfactory.

4. Junctions with Contemporary Surveys.

- a. The junction with H-6331 (1938) on the north is excellent.
- be The junction with H-6192 (1936) on the southwest is satisfactory from the northern limits of H-6347 (1938) out to the 200 fathom curve. Due to conditions stated on page 5 of the descriptive report, it is not possible to obtain agreement of the soundings on these surveys between the 200 and 1000 fathom curves. The soundings are generally from 15 to 75 fathoms deeper on H-6347 (1938). In the overlapping area, between the 200 and 1000 fathom curves, the soundings from H-6347 (1938) should be charted in place of the soundings now charted from H-6192 (1936).
- c. No contemporary work joins this survey on the east at this time.

5. Comparison with Prior Surveys.

a. H-100 (1842) and H-101 (1844).

These old surveys on a scale of 1:400,000, cover from 80 to 90 per cent of the present survey. The method of control was undoubtedly dead reckoning and astronomic observations. The lines

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are of an irregular network and spaced far apart. The depths, in general, are in poor agreement with the present survey. These old surveys have already been superseded by later surveys and are of no value in so far as future charting is concerned.

b. H-670 (1859) scale 1:400,000.

This is a compilation of all previous surveys. It contains no original work.

c. H-1498a (1880-84) and H-2920a (1882-87).

This work consists of deep sea soundings scattered over a wide area and plotted on a print of a 1:1,200,000 scale chart. Only four soundings on H-1498a (1880-84) fall within the limits of the present survey. The 538 fathom sounding (charted) in Lat. 39°39.3', Long. 71°36.2' is about 200 fathoms shoaler than the depths indicated on the present survey. It is undoubtedly out of position. The other three soundings are in fair agreement, but since all of these soundings fall close to the sounding lines on the present survey, they are of no future value in charting and should be disregarded. The 527 fathom sounding (charted) in Lat. 39°36.0', Long. 71°43.8' from H-2920a (1882-87) falls between sounding lines on the present survey but apparently in depths of 700 fathoms. It should be disregarded in future charting.

d. H-1558 (1882-83) scale 1:300,000.

This survey covers the entire area of the present survey. The soundings are in fair agreement north of Lat. 40°, but are in radical disagreement in depths of over 100 fathoms. They range from 30 fathoms deeper to 293 fathoms shoaler than the depths obtained by the present survey. Becauseof the better control and closer development on a larger scale the present survey, excepth for bottom characteristics, should within the common area, supersede H-1558 (1882-83).

6. Comparison with Chart No. 1108 (New Print dated January 6, 1939) Chart No. 1000 (New Print dated June 17, 1939).

Within the area of the present survey the charts are based on surveys discussed in the foregoing paragraphs and contain no other information that needs consideration in this review.

7. Condition of Survey.

- a. The records are neat and legible and conform to the requirements of the hydrographic manual.
- b. The descriptive report satisfactorily covers all items of importance.
- c. The field plotting was very good.

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- d. The soundings were inked out to the 200 fathom curve in fathoms and sixths the numerator only being shown the denominator (6) was omitted to avoid congestion.
- e. Additional bottom characteristics for charting purposes may be obtained from the later prior surveys discussed in paragraph 5 of this review.
- 8. Compliance With Instructions for the Project.

This survey satisfies the instructions for the project.

9. Additional Work Recommended.

This is a well developed offshore survey and no additional work is required.

10, Superseded Old Surveys.

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11. Reviewed by Leo S. Straw, September 11, 1939.

Inspected by H. R. Edmonston, September 25, 1939.

Examined and Approved:

T. B. Reed, Chief, Section of Field Records.

Chief, Division of Charts.

Chief. Section of Field Work.

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