



THE HYDROGRAPHIC DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY OF THE KINGDOM OF THE SERBS, CROATES AND SLOVENES

(HIDROGRAFSKI URED MARNARICE — DUBROVNIK II).

The Hydrographic Service was established by Ministerial decision in 1921. It is divided into two Offices. The 1st Office deals with charts; the 2nd with instruments.

From 1923 both offices have been detached from the Naval Academy of Dubrovnik.

The Hydrographic Service deals with all questions relating to sea-routes in so far as they concern navigation and hydrography.

The Hydrographic Service of the Navy Department has among its functions :

(1) to provide regularly to the Royal Navy all aids to navigation such as charts, books, chronometers, compasses, etc. :

(2) to keep the Naval Administration informed of all researches made relative to navigation; to make modern charts according to the surveys of the coasts made with the assistance of the Military Geographical Institute. Concerning nautical, astronomical, geographical, oceanographical and meteorological sciences, the Hydrographic Service must keep in touch with all that takes place in these and kindred matters in the country itself as well as abroad :

(3) to obtain all necessary navigational information of which the Navy may have need.

The 1st Office undertakes all questions of finance and administration.

The 2nd Office undertakes all technical questions: the construction of charts and instruments and, generally speaking, all nautical material and accessories for the Royal Navy.

It also deals with the recruitment of the personnel within the limits of the budget.