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47 ESSA EMPLOYEES WIN BRONZE MEDALS

Washington-area Bronze Medal winners, pictured with Dr. White and Dr. Baum at the June 1 presentation ceremony, are (front row, left to right) Byron P. Roberts, James Smith, Dr. Baum, Dr. White, Shirley Edwards, and John Baldwin; (back row, left to right) Charles R. Wittmann, Donald S. Foster, Isaiah Y. Fitzgerald, Fred B. Englebrecht, Raymond P. Hogan, Stanley J. Lacy, Charles G. Reeves, Charles F. Roberts, and Robert E. Glacken.

Other Bronze Medal winners for 1967 are: Weather Bureau - Henry L. Jacobson, Francis D. Beers, Ray E. Hall, Archie Bloom, Robert Kirkpatrick, Jr., Harry Weirauch, Philip Williams, Jr., Richard A. Dightman, Halbert E. Root, Gilbert L. Sternes, Harold C. McComb, Dwight A. Rigney, John C. Purvis, Edward G. Jacob, Alex J. Kish, Fred L. Horton, John W. Zimmerman, John P. McCallister, Oliver H. Newton, Vance P. Barich, Jr., and Harold Alexander. Coast and Geodetic Survey - John R. Schmitz, Gilbert F. Lee, Dudley Doe, Frank H. Werner, Frederick L. Larsen, Elgan Jenkins, and Woodrow W. Feazel. Institutes for Environmental Research - Dean Smith and Paul I. Wells. Environmental Data Service - Milton G. Johnson, Marcus Snelson, Gilbert E. Stegall, and Theodore R. Farmer.

NMC TO FORECAST AIR POLLUTION POTENTIAL

Computerized air pollution potential forecasts -- concerned with the atmospheric conditions that permit accumulation of contaminants -- will be issued by the National Meteorological Center beginning July 1. In the past, these advisories have been prepared and distributed by the Air Resources Laboratory's Field Research Office in Cincinnati.

OCEANOGRAPHER SAFELY THROUGH SUEZ

The USC&GSS OCEANOGRAPHER's recent passage through the Suez Canal, en route from Odessa, U.S.S.R., to Massawa, Ethiopia, was described in a letter from Adm. H. Arnold Karo to Dr. Robert M. White.

The ship arrived one midnight at Port Said to join a convoy through the Suez Canal. "Not having a Suez Canal certificate," Adm. Karo wrote, "they said the ship had to be measured for one, which they proceeded to do. They measured her from stem to stern, from truck to keelson, even to the engine room gratings. We had to rent a Suez Canal light for the trip. And finally we had to take two pulling boats with crews aboard in case a sand storm came up and we had to moor to each side of the canal...."

"The convoy south through the Suez Canal started forming up at 7 a.m. We were seventh in line and got underway about eight. There were three ships behind us. It is quite a sight to steam down the relatively narrow ditch between desert sands.... They have a double canal, for passing, about 40 kilometers from Port Said. We got there about noon and our convoy had to tie up to the bank and await the passing of the north-bound convoy.... From where we were tied up, you could not see the other canal. It gave one a funny feeling to see these large ships apparently plowing through the desert sand about a half mile away. You could hardly believe your eyes."

Adm. Karo reported the location of a new "hot spot" in the Red Sea, at 26.16 degrees North, 35.02 degrees East, which has been named the "OCEANOGRAPHER Deep." The ship arrived at Massawa on May 23.

NELSON GETS VALENTINE POST

Eugene V. Nelson is the new meteorologist in charge at the Valentine, Nebr., Weather Bureau Airport Station. Mr. Nelson joined the Bureau in 1946 at Sioux Falls, S. Dak., and served there until his new appointment.

REGIONAL USER SERVICE REPRESENTATIVES MEET

WB Regional User Services Representatives met this week at Silver Spring headquarters. Discussing current programs and plans with Central Office officials were G. L. Shak (Eastern Region), Carl M. Reber (Southern Region), Arthur H. Hosick (Central Region), L. H. Magar (Western Region), and R. F. Shaw (Pacific Region). The "REGUS REPS" act as liaison between the Weather Bureau and weather services user groups.

23RD OFFICER CLASS GRADUATES

Dr. Harris B. Stewart, Jr., Director of the Institute for Oceanography, was principal speaker at the 23rd Officer Training Class graduation ceremonies held at the C&GS Atlantic Marine Center in Norfolk, May 12. The 23 new ESSA officers are: Terry E. Bryan, John E. Colt, John B. Courtney, David N. Daniel, William H. Dvorachek, Jr., Dennis L. Graves, Charles L. Hardt, William B. Knight, Jr., Jimmy A. Lyons, James M. McClelland, Gerald W. McGill, Hugh B. Milburn, Roger T. Olack, Roderick S. Patwell, Leslie H. Perry, David K. Rea, Bruce C. Renneke, Sebastian A. Sora, William W. Spychalla, Brent H. Traugher, John C. Veselenak, Richard J. Wenstrom, and William G. Wills.

RARE SOLAR FLARE OBSERVED AT BOULDER

Patrick McIntosh, a solar astronomer at the Space Disturbance Forecast Center, Boulder, visually observed a rare white light solar flare on May 23. (Less than two dozen white light solar flares have been visually observed in the history of astronomy.) The solar flare, which had been predicted by the Forecast Center, was followed on May 25 and 26 by the most intense magnetic storm in more than 10 years.

JUMP FOUNDATION HONORS WB MAN

Earl W. Estelle, executive assistant to the WB Associate Director for Meteorological Operations, has received a meritorious award from the William A. Jump Memorial Foundation for exemplary achievement in public administration. Mr. Estelle was cited "for significant contributions to the improvement of the Weather Bureau's management of its operating programs and to the improvement of the quality of the Bureau's long-range planning efforts."

NEW APPOINTMENTS ANNOUNCED

Capt. Howard Cole, technical assistant to the C&GS Associate Director for Seismology and Geomagnetism, has been named to succeed Cdr. Eugene W. Richards as Alaska Field Director.

Lt. Cdr. J. A. Yeager is now chief of the C&GS Satellite Triangulation Division. The former head of the division, Cdr. E. A. Taylor, is attending Ohio State University for 18 months of graduate study.

John D. Connolly, assistant director of the WB Systems Development Office, has been transferred to the ESSA Office of Science and Engineering to coordinate applied research, engineering development, and systems engineering activities.

SEATTLE OFFICERS MARK FIFTIETH ANNIVERSARY

About 66 members and guests of the Seattle Section, Association of Commissioned Officers of ESSA, observed the corps' fiftieth anniversary at a dinner held at the Seattle Officers' Club, May 20. Lt. Cdr. George M. Poor, President of the Seattle Section, was toastmaster, and Cdr. Harley D. Nygren, executive officer of the USC&GSS SURVEYOR, delivered the principal address.

WELCOME TO ESSA!

The WB Pacific Region welcomes four new employees: Joseph I. Garcia, WBFC Honolulu; Joyce J. Liebling, WBAS Kwajalein; Frederick L. Roush, WBAS Canton; and Frank Satauo, WBO Truk. New C&GS employees are John V. Marse and Henry E. Rebister, Geodetic Field Party G-37; Robert M. Leary aboard the PATHFINDER; and James M. Berridge, Edward E. Curran, Joe A. Elliot, Delfin E. Ellorin, Johnnie W. Faircloth, Bennie J. Heitmann, Frederic A. Heitmann, Novelito A. Nebril, Valentine Patao, Horst P. Unnewehr, Jon French, William P. Haberlack, and Aubrey S. Vinson, all on the McARTHUR.

SERVICE AWARDS

Atlantic Marine Center employees who received length-of-service awards in May were: Locke L. Cranford, Jr., 35 years; Joseph Steinberg and Capt. Harry D. Reed, Jr., 30 years; Joseph W. Vonasek, Lawrence L. Graves, Milton M. Slavney, William T. Johnson, Harold J. Gough, Woodrow W. Feazel, Charles H. Bishop, Russell J. Pate, Victor E. Serena, Leo F. Beugnet, and William A. Rasure, 25 years; and Cdr. Pentti A. Stark, George W. Bushbaum, and William L. Jonns, 20 years.

Service awards were given to the following employees of the Office of Geodesy and Photogrammetry. 35 years - Samuel P. Hand. 30 years - Alfred W. Helm and Harold R. Brooks. 25 years - Capt. Lorin F. Woodcock, Ivan W. Smith, Samuel G. Blankenbaker, Henri Lucas, Alva W. Pyle, William O. Halluin, John R. Pates, Wallace Heinbaugh, Robert L. Sugden, William D. Harris, Harry Weber, Paul P. Brown, Finis L. Smith, Isaiah Y. Fitzgerald, W. Byron Hale, and Joseph A. Dracup. 20 years - Charles Gilliland and Joseph Nelson.

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