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PRESIDENT PROPOSES \$22 MILLION INCREASE FOR ESSA

The President's budget message to Congress included the following amounts for ESSA for fiscal year 1968:

Appropriations (\$ in thousands)	FY 1967 Re- quirements (adjusted)	Estimates for 1968	Increases Requested over FY 1967	
			Positions	Amount
Salaries & Expenses	\$103,831	\$112,754	+ 480	+ \$ 8,923
Research & Development	21,900	29,829	+ 186	+ 7,929
R&D (Special Foreign Currency Program)	500	750	—	250
Facilities, Equip. & Construction	6,000	6,117	+ 5	+ 117
Satellite Operations	<u>27,273</u>	<u>32,200</u>	<u>+ 33</u>	<u>+ 4,927</u>
Totals	\$159,504	\$181,650	+ 704	+ \$22,146

ATLANTIC HURRICANE CONFERENCE SCHEDULED

The 1967 Atlantic Hurricane Conference, sponsored by a subcommittee of the Interdepartmental Committee for Meteorological Services, will meet at the National Hurricane Center, Miami, from Jan. 30 to Feb. 1, to develop improved procedures in the Atlantic Hurricane Plan. The Weather Bureau will be host to representatives of the Air Force, Navy, and Federal Aviation Agency who will discuss weather reconnaissance, radar and satellite observations, analysis and forecasting products, and communications.

OFFICERS REASSIGNED

Lieutenant Commander Lavon L. Posey, former operations officer of the USC&GSS Surveyor, is the new executive officer of the USC&GSS Pathfinder. He succeeds Commander Dewey G. Rushford who is now chief, Operations Division, at C&GS' Mid-Continent Field Office in Kansas City, Mo., the post vacated by the transfer of Commander Kenneth A. MacDonald to Jacksonville, Fla.

ESSA EXHIBIT ON TOUR

A new exhibit, based on the theme "Navigate Safely!", was ESSA's contribution to the New York National Boat Show (Jan. 11-22) and the Seattle National Boat Show (Jan. 14-22). The exhibit, emphasizing the navigational products of the Coast and Geodetic Survey and the marine weather services of the Weather Bureau, will be shown at the Southwest Boat Show, Dallas, Jan. 27-Feb. 5; Houston International Boat, Sport and Travel Show, Jan. 31-Feb. 5; San Francisco National Sports and Boat Show, Feb. 3-12; Chesapeake Bay Boat Show, Baltimore, Md., Feb. 4-12; Marine Recreation Boat Show, West Hempstead, N.Y., Feb. 4-13; Fort Worth Boat and Sport Show, Feb. 15-19; Miami International Boat Show, Feb. 17-22; Southern California Boat Show, Los Angeles, Feb. 17-26; Philadelphia Boat Show, Feb. 18-26; Washington (D.C.) International Boat and Sport Show, Feb. 18-26; Virginia Boat Show, Richmond, Feb. 22-26; New England Boat Show, Boston, Feb. 25-Mar. 5; and the Waltonian Sports Show, Norfolk, Mar. 31-Apr. 2.

PREMIUM PAY ALLOWED FOR HAZARDOUS WORK

Employees in positions subject to the Classification Act are eligible, beginning Jan. 29, for premium pay for hazards and unusual physical hardships which occur irregularly or intermittently in their work and not as a normal, recurring part of their work. Three possible ESSA operations subject to hazard pay would be aerial hurricane reconnaissance; high work of 50 feet or more on unstable, unguarded towers or work on such towers in severe weather; and flying at low altitudes. Those eligible will receive a premium of as much as 25 percent of their base pay for the whole daily tour of duty in which the hazard or hardship is encountered.

IAS GROUP PLANS MOVE

A move of the Experimental Meteorology Branch, Institute for Atmospheric Sciences, from Silver Spring, Md., to Miami, Fla., is planned for this spring. At Miami the branch, headed by Dr. Joanne Simpson, will be located near the National Hurricane Center and the National Hurricane Research Laboratory. The branch is engaged in an extensive program of research into the dynamics and possible modification of tropical cumulus clouds--work which requires extensive aircraft support from ESSA's Miami-based Research Flight Facility. The move will enable the branch to conduct its experimental work more effectively and also will further focus and strengthen ESSA's efforts to build a strong tropical meteorology activity in Miami.

STONE APPOINTED C&GS ASSOCIATE DIRECTOR

Captain Raymond M. Stone has been named Acting Associate Director of C&GS for Hydrography and Oceanography, succeeding Rear Admiral Don A. Jones, who is now ESSA Associate Administrator. Capt. Stone joined the Survey in 1940, and has served on 12 USC&GS vessels, commanding the Hydrographer and Marmer. He has directed the Survey's office in San Francisco, conducted land surveys in various parts of the United States, served as liaison officer with the Federal Aviation Agency, and most recently was Assistant Chief of Operations for Oceanography and Project Planning Officer in the Office of Hydrography and Oceanography.

NEW WB BROADCAST SYSTEM DISPLAYED

The Weather Bureau's continuous-broadcast VHF radio system was demonstrated in the lobby of the Bureau's Silver Spring headquarters during the week of Jan. 16. Weather reports and forecasts from WBAS Washington, D.C., were tape recorded and replayed during the demonstration to simulate actual broadcasts. Fifteen weather radio stations, operating on a frequency of 162.55 megacycles, will be established at WB facilities during the coming months.

DR. TOCHER TAPED FOR TV

Dr. Don Tocher, Director of IES' Earthquake Mechanism Laboratory at San Francisco, participated in an educational television program entitled "Tidal Waves", which was taped in Los Angeles Jan. 16 for showing in 19 cities. Scheduled broadcast dates are: Jan. 16 for showing in 19 cities. Scheduled broadcast dates are: KCET, Los Angeles, Jan. 26; KVCR, San Bernardino, Jan. 28; KQED, San Francisco, Feb. 6; KVIE, Sacramento, Feb. 12; KCSM, San Mateo, Feb. 22; KTEH, San Jose, Feb. 28; KAET, Tempe, Ariz., Mar. 13; KUHT, Houston, Mar. 21; KETC, St. Louis, Mar. 28; WMVS, Milwaukee, Apr. 3; WCVE, Richmond, Apr. 13; WGBH, Boston, Feb. 18; WMEB, Orono, Me., Feb. 27; WETA, Washington, D.C., Mar. 3 and 4; WXXI, Rochester, N.Y., Apr. 6; WPSX, Clearfield, Pa., Apr. 25; WQED, Pittsburgh, Mar. 11; KCTS, Seattle, May 22; and KOAP, Portland, Ore., June 9.

LAND GETS SHIP COMMAND

Lieutenant Ralph J. Land is the new commanding officer of the USC&GSS Marmer, a 220-ton hydrographic survey vessel. Since he joined the Coast and Geodetic Survey in 1960, Lt. Land has served in Norfolk and at the Fredericksburg (Va.) Geomagnetic Observatory and aboard the USC&GSS Wainwright, Hilgard, Marmer, and Whiting.

KUDOS TO THE POWER SQUADRONS

Captain Lorne G. Taylor, chief of C&GS' Marine Chart Division, presented cooperative charting awards to individuals, squadrons, and districts during the 53rd annual meeting of the U. S. Power Squadrons in New York, Jan. 20-21. The awards are given for outstanding contributions to the C&GS Nautical Charting Program. Seven Power Squadron Districts were commended for 100 percent participation and coverage of assigned areas. During 1966, the Power Squadrons submitted a total of 1,445 suggestions for chart improvements.

WELCOME ABOARD!

New ESSAites recently hired include the following: C&GS Mid-Continent Field Area--Lonnie K. Zurfluh, Fred L. Buck, Delmer Ray Frederick, George Leslie King, Howard Lincoln McCaleb, Jr., Mrs. Jenny M. Worrell, William B. Mink, Richard L. Falconburg, Richard D. McGough, and Wayne William Cooper. WB Eastern Region--Gary L. Charson (Cleveland), Eulalia N. Mandes (RH), Marilyn A. Trapasso (Boston), Martin Aaronson (New York), Roger Bulkow (Cleveland), Holbrook Landers (Clemson), George H. Poulson (Pittsburgh), and Richard C. Smith (Washington). WB Central Region--Allen L. Morrison (Chicago). WB Alaska Region--Marjorie L. Fischer (RH), Dennis D. Davies (Bethel), and Tommy L. Garrett (Bethel). WB Western Region--Carole R. Nakaya.

ESSA SPEAKERS AROUND THE NATION

Karl R. Johannessen, Director of the WB Eastern Region and recently selected to become Bureau Associate Director, spoke Jan. 16 to the Hartford Chapter of Sigma Xi on the subject of practical aspects of modern weather forecasting.

Francis X. Popper, Chief of C&GS' New York Field Office, is scheduled to speak at a Feb. 2 meeting of the Cross County (N.Y.) Power Squadron. On Feb. 16, he will show the C&GS film, "To Help Man Find His Way", as part of a presentation to the members of the New York Squadron.

H. C. S. Thom, EDS Senior Research Fellow, will present a paper, "New Distribution of Extreme Winds in the United States", to the Environmental Engineering Conference of the American Society of Civil Engineers meeting in Dallas, Tex., Feb. 6-10.

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