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DR. BAUM ACCEPTS UNIVERSITY PRESIDENCY



Dr. Werner A. Baum has tendered his resignation as Deputy Administrator of ESSA. Dr. Baum, who has served since Jan. 1, 1967, has accepted the Presidency of the University of Rhode Island. His resignation will become effective this summer.

Dr. Robert M. White, ESSA Administrator, termed Dr. Baum's resignation "a loss to the Federal government, to ESSA, and to me personally," and said his service had been marked by significant contributions to the agency's programs.

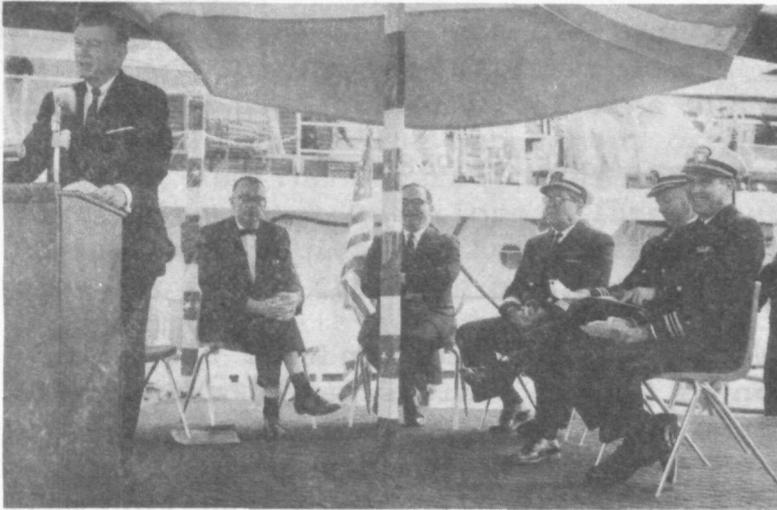
Dr. Baum stated that he leaves the ESSA post with reluctance, and that his association with the environmental effort in government has been "one of the most rewarding professional and personal experiences

of my career. However, the opportunity tendered me to return to the academic field as President of this fine University is one which cannot be declined. It is my hope that I can continue to contribute, as President of this sea grant institution, to the Nation's environmental effort. I shall always be happy to serve."

Prior to appointment by President Johnson as ESSA's Deputy Administrator, Dr. Baum had had a distinguished career in higher education. He came to ESSA from a post as Vice-President for Scientific Affairs of New York University.

His early professional career included two years of service in the Navy and two years as research associate and assistant professor at the University of Maryland. Dr. Baum went to Florida State University in 1949 as associate professor to found a new Department of Meteorology. He became a full professor in 1951, Director of University Research in 1957, Dean of the Graduate School in 1958, and Dean of the Faculties in 1960. In 1963 he was appointed Vice President for Academic Affairs at the University of Miami, and two years later he moved to New York University.

MT MITCHELL COMMISSIONED



Shown (left to right) at USC&GS Ship MT MITCHELL commissioning in Jacksonville, Fla., on March 23 are: Congressman Alton Lennon of N.C.; Dr. John F. Kincaid, Assistant Secretary of Commerce for Science and Technology; Dr. Robert M. White, ESSA Administrator; Rear Adm. James C. Tison, Jr., Coast Survey Director; Cdr. Kenneth A. MacDonald, MT MITCHELL Commanding Officer; and Lt. Cdr. Floyd Sims, Navy Chaplain.

SPECIAL STAFF GROUP FORMED

Reorganization within ESSA recently resulted in the formation of a Special Staff Group in the Administrative Operations Division. The Special Staff Group provides service to all segments of ESSA in the areas of safety, security, emergency planning, directives and other management communication. Located on the third floor of Building 5, the group includes: Loran L. Fisher, Group Chief (AD1x1), Room 305, ext. 68318; Anthony Sturm, Administrative Documentation Officer, (AD1x11), Room 305, ext. 68192; Thomas W. Stetson, Security Officer (AD1x12); Room 313, ext. 68449; Milton S. Aronstam, Safety Engineer (AD1x13), Room 305, ext. 68420; and William J. Luedtke, Emergency Planning Officer (AD1x14), Room 305, ext. 68500.

SORRY, WRONG NUMBER

The telephone number for Jeff D. Ardoin, chief, ESSA Property and Logistics Management Section, was incorrectly listed in ESSA NEWS, Vol. 4, No. 12. The correct number is (202) 362-7707, IDS 154-7707.

THUNDERSTORM PAMPHLET PUBLISHED

A six-page pamphlet titled Thunderstorms has been published by the ESSA Public Information Office. With text and two-color illustrations, the pamphlet explains what thunderstorms are and how they form, grow, and die. It includes a list of safety rules for thunderstorms and their attendant hazards, lightning, tornadoes, and floods. ESSA offices can obtain copies from the ESSA Publications Section, Bldg. 52, Conn. and Van Ness Sts., N.W., Washington, D. C.

SOVIETS LAUNCH NEW WEATHER SATELLITE

The USSR launched another meteorological satellite in their Meteor series - Cosmos 206 - on March 14. The satellite carried the same sensors as the previous Soviet weather satellites. Initial data from the new satellite were received by NESC on March 18, through the Washington-Moscow circuit.

SEISMOGRAPH NETWORK EXPANDS

Twenty-five seismograph stations have been added to the ESSA-C&GS Cooperative Network since January 1, bringing the number of these stations now in operation to 227.

ESSA 5 TO BE PRIMARY SPACECRAFT

The ESSA 3 satellite, whose pictures are used to prepare the mosaics transmitted on the facsimile circuit, was tilted 15 degrees on March 18 for engineering reasons. ESSA 5, which is not tilted, is scheduled to become the primary operational spacecraft on April 1.

HOLZMAN, MACCUTCHEON VISIT BOULDER

General B. G. Holzman, Deputy Director, EDS, and Edward M. MacCutcheon, technical assistant to the Director, Coast Survey, were recent visitors to ERL, Boulder, Colo. Gen. Holzman met with officials regarding coordination of research and development activities; Mr. MacCutcheon visited to explore the sharing of ERL experience for C&GS instrumentation and data systems.



ESSA AT WORK

Meteorological technician William Thomas of NESC's Analysis Section prepares to receive cloud pictures from the ESSA 6 weather satellite over an APT receiver.

APRIL 14 IS DEADLINE FOR INSURANCE FORMS

All employees not excluded by law or regulation from insurance coverage, including those who have previously waived coverage, are required to complete and file Standard Form 176-T, Election, Declination, or Waiver of Life Insurance Coverage. Employees in the service on Feb. 14, 1968, as well as those who were appointed after that date but before Apr. 14, 1968, must file the form.

Some employees have delayed submitting SF 176-T because they want pay deductions to start at a later date for optional \$10,000 additional insurance. These employees do not have the optional insurance until SF 176-T, indicating that they have chosen the optional insurance, is received by their Personnel Offices.

If SF 176-T is received by the Personnel Office on or before Apr. 5, 1968, coverage is effective the date of receipt and deductions begin Apr. 7, 1968. If SF 176-T is received by the Personnel Office on Apr. 8 or before Apr. 14, 1968, coverage is effective the date of receipt and deductions begin Apr. 21, 1968.

Employees not filing by Apr. 14, 1968, will lose their right for optional insurance. Unless they have waived all insurance coverage, they will be covered for regular insurance only.

WINSLOW FORECASTS FOR ROUTE 66

The Winslow, Ariz., WB office is inaugurating a weather broadcast over the local radio station to keep travelers informed of weather conditions along U.S. Highway 66.

INTERNATIONAL TSUNAMI GROUP MEETS

C&GS hosted the first meeting of the International Coordinating Group on the Tsunami Warning System at the University of Hawaii on Mar. 25-28. The group, composed of experts from the United States, Canada, Chile, Japan, and the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics, was established in 1966 by the International Oceanographic Commission to study problems relating to the seismic sea wave warning system in the Pacific. The United States delegation consisted of James M. Klaasse (chairman), C&GS Associate Director; Leonard M. Murphy, Seismology Division chief; Bernard D. Zetler, ESSA Physical Oceanography Laboratory director; and other field executives and technical personnel.

WEATHERMEN ADDRESS FRUIT GROWERS

Dale Harris, Pomona, Calif., MIC, and L. W. Snellman, Western Region headquarters, presented papers on extended forecasting at the International Citrus Symposium held in Riverside, Calif., Mar. 16-26. Mr. Harris chaired the opening session of the seminar.



ESSA, NATIONAL MARITIME UNION SIGN AGREEMENT

Rear Adm. James C. Tison, Jr., Coast Survey director; Guy H. Dorsey, chief, ESSA Personnel Division; and Rick Miller, vice-president of the National Maritime Union, signed a new labor-management agreement on March 14. The negotiated agreement contains agreed-upon working conditions and work rules covering the majority of marine employees assigned to Coast and Geodetic Survey vessels. In the photograph, seated: Admiral Tison. Standing, left to right: Talmadge Simpkins, NMU Committee; Capt. Miller J. Tonkel, C&GS; Mr. Dorsey; Capt. Robert C. Darling, C&GS; John Ralston, Personnel Division; Mr. Miller; Cdr. Steven L. Hollis, Jr., C&GS; and Bernard Hull, assistant chief, Personnel Division.

FOURTEEN ATTEND COMMERCE COURSE

ESSA employees attending the Commerce Managerial Course during the week Feb. 26 - Mar. 1 were: WB - Donald C. Ayers, Phillip G. Brandis, Donald L. Jorgensen, Robert W. McCaslin, Max W. Mull. C&GS - John H. Ohlmacher, Norman F. Braaten, Raynard Cardascia, and Leonard L. Driefuss. NESC - Vincent J. Oliver. ESSA - Anthony A. Puglisi, John H. Ralston, Frances Maserick, and John S. Cook.

BUSH FIELD SURVEYED

A C&GS airport survey party, headed by Eugene T. Ogilby, began a field survey of Bush Field, Augusta, Ga., on Mar. 18.

ABOARD THE DISCOVERER

The USC&GS Ship DISCOVERER recently resurveyed the site in the South Atlantic where Sir James Ross Clark, a British sea captain, made the first deep-ocean sounding 128 years ago and proved that the sea was not bottomless. The DISCOVERER found a depth of 2312 fathoms (13,872 feet), 678 feet less than that recorded by Capt. Ross. Ross' sounding took one hour. That of the DISCOVERER was made in seconds with the aid of modern electronic equipment.

Scientists from France, Argentina, Sierra Leone, and the University of Michigan, accompanied the USC&GS Ship DISCOVERER on her oceanographic study off the west African coast, Feb. 19 - Mar. 13. The primary task of the expedition was to obtain geophysical data along the continental margin of the African west coast, a further test of the continental drift theory. Several thousand bottom photographs were taken, and two submarine canyons were surveyed during this leg of the trip. Press conferences were held at Dakar, Senegal, and Abidjan, Ivory Coast by Capt. Lorne G. Taylor, commanding officer, and other ship officials. Shown left to right, Harley Knebel, ESSA-Atlantic Oceanographic Laboratory representative; three members of the local press; Lt. Cdr. George A. Maul, Operations Officer; Capt. Lorne G. Taylor, Commanding Officer; and John D. Garner, Press Attache - U.S. Information Service.



MISS MOORE RETIRES AFTER 46 YEARS



Daisy R. Moore retires Mar. 29 after almost 46 years with the Coast Survey. During her career, which began in 1922 when Herbert Hoover was Secretary of Commerce, Miss Moore served as secretary to 17 charting operations division chiefs, four of whom later became head of the agency. She received the Department of Commerce Silver Medal for meritorious service in 1954. Dr. Robert M. White, ESSA Administrator, presented a 45-year pin to Miss Moore on Mar. 25.

HILO, HONOLULU WIN PACIFIC REGION AWARDS

The Hilo Weather Bureau Airport Station has been named the Pacific Region Upper-Air Station of the Year for 1967, the first time the honor has been awarded. Hilo staff members responsible for this outstanding record are: Ronald Aranita, Harry Arashiro, Carroll Dean, Alvin Gushikuma, Teruo Nagami, George Nii, Roy Sodedani, and Howard Tatum. Their annual error rate in making observations was the lowest in the nation, according to National Weather Records Center tabulations.

The observing staff at Honolulu Airport captured first place in the Pacific Region's surface observing derby with a near-perfect score of 99.5 percent of error-free observations. Staff members contributing to this record are: George Higa, Roland Ho, Flaviano Labaya, Fujio Oshiro, Tracy Yamashiroya, Jack Cobb, and Joseph Vederman.

RADIATION SPECIALISTS MEET AT BOULDER

ERL's Atmospheric Physics and Chemistry Laboratory, Boulder, Colo., sponsored a two-day seminar, Mar. 20-21, for thirty-nine radiation specialists representing five industrial producers of satellite or aircraft-mounted scanning radiometers. The APCL sponsored the seminar to encourage joint participation in radiation studies.

EUROPEANS LEARN USE OF LASER GEODIMETER

George B. Lesley of C&GS' Geodesy Division recently left for Europe to service and adjust the two laser-Geodimeters currently in use in Sweden, and to instruct personnel in Italy and Germany in the operation, alignment, and adjustment of these instruments for precise-line measurements.

BUSINESS CARDS OFFERED BY EMPLOYEE CLUB

The ESSA Employees Club is offering personal business cards to employees. The white 2"x3½" cards are available with multi-colored insignia in lots of 100 (\$4.50), 200 (\$6.00), and 300 (\$7.50), or with black insignia in lots of 100 (\$2.50), 200 (\$3.50), 300 (\$4.50), 400 (\$5.50), and 500 (\$6.50). Address inquiries and orders to: Henry Eichert, ESSA, C-1422, Room 013, Bldg. 2, Rockville, Md. 20852.

THE WELCOME MAT

The C&GS Mid-Continent Field Area, Kansas City, welcomes Don D. Vaughn, Harold D. Hughes, Charlie C. Wilkerson, John D. Pouncey, and Stephen A. Keith.

New employees in the WB Central Region are Joyce A. Morris, WBAS, Denver; Beverly Watkins, Central Logistics Supply Center; Ronald Henry, Denver; Geraldine Dockery, St. Louis, Mo.; and Jerald E. Lindley, Joliet, Ill.

Otto Preikszas, former Alaskan Regional Hydrologist, Carolyn Cargill, and Grace Miller are now on the staff of the WB Office of Hydrology.

A CENTURY OF SERVICE

Silvio G. Simplicio, Eastern Region director, presented length-of-service awards, totaling 100 years of Federal service, to four employees of the Rochester, N.Y., WB Airport Station on Mar. 15. Receiving 25 year pins were: Donald R. Hawkes, Richard K. Nolf, Amerigo D. DiLauro, and Albert J. Beatrice.

SERVICE AWARDS

Length-of-service awards are due to the following WB Eastern Region employees during the month of March: 20 years - Alfred C. LaPolla, ERH; Salvatore R. Moltisanti, ERH; and John Laban, WBAS, Hartford, Conn.

MONTANA METEOROLOGIST DIES

Robert L. Schmidt, meteorologist at the Great Falls, Mont., WB Airport Station, died Mar. 23. Mr. Schmidt, who entered the Weather Bureau in 1942, had more than 27 years of service.

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