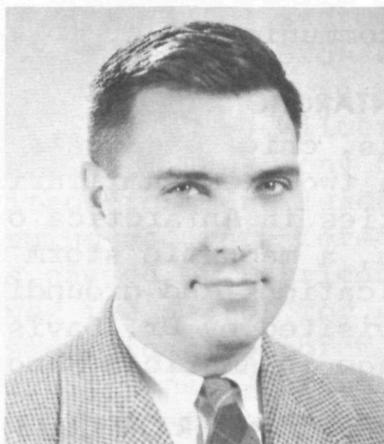


ERL DIRECTORSHIPS ANNOUNCED FOR SMITH AND KIRBY



Dr. Smith



Mr. Kirby

Two ERL senior staff members have been appointed to new posts. Dr. Ernest K. Smith, formerly the acting Director of the Institute for Telecommunication Sciences was named acting Director, Office of University Relations, and Richard C. Kirby, acting Deputy Director, Institute for Telecommunication Sciences, was

named the acting Director of the Institute.

Dr. Smith (left) joined the National Bureau of Standards in 1951 after completing work for his master's degree at Cornell University. He later returned to Cornell where he received his doctorate in 1956. The author of more than 30 research papers, Dr. Smith has held several important positions in the Department's research structure. He has also been named a visiting Fellow to the Cooperative Institute for Research in the Environmental Sciences, a joint ESSA-University of Colorado venture, and a lecturer in the Department of Astro-Physics at the University of Colorado. Dr. Smith is a member of Sigma Xi, a member of Commission III (Ionospheric Propagation) of the International Scientific Radio Union, and international vice-chairman of Study Group VI of the International Radio Consultative Committee, and a Fellow of the Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers.

Mr. Kirby (right), who received his bachelor's degree in electrical engineering from the University of Minnesota, was awarded a Department of Commerce Fellowship in Science and Technology in 1965. He served for one year in this appointment as assistant in Telecommunications to the Assistant Secretary of Commerce. From 1959-1960, he served as Commerce member of the Interdepartment Radio

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Advisory Committee, and as a member of the Telecommunications Planning Committee, Executive Office of the President. In 1967, Mr. Kirby was technical advisor on the United States delegation at Montreal to the North Atlantic Fixed Services meeting of the International Civil Aviation Organization. He has also been chairman of a study group of the International Radio Consultative Committee, and a U.S. delegate to several international meetings of the organization. Mr. Kirby was awarded the Department of Commerce Gold Medal last month for exceptional service in the field of telecommunications.

DR. DAVIS CONCLUDES ANTARCTIC TOUR

Dr. William O. Davis, chief of ESSA's Plans and Requirements Division, completed a two-week familiarization tour of ESSA, C&GS, and ERL facilities in Antarctica on Nov. 11. During his visit to Byrd Station, a magnetic storm struck the area, severing all radio communications and grounding planes for eight days. Other ESSA stations visited by Dr. Davis were McMurdo in the Antarctic and Pago Pago in American Samoa.

EDS EMPLOYEES ELECTED AMS CHAPTER OFFICIALS

Gilbert Stegall has been elected chairman and Anna Lee Simmons named treasurer of the Asheville Chapter of the American Meteorological Society. Both are employees of EDS' National Weather Records Center, Asheville, N. C.

EXPLORER TO BE FLOATING CLASSROOM



The USC&GS Ship EXPLORER--the 219-foot, 1900-ton hydrographic survey vessel decommissioned last January at the Atlantic Marine Center, Norfolk, Va.--has been transferred to the U.S. Office of Education for use as a floating classroom to train 120 unemployed disadvantaged young men between the ages of 16 and 22 from the Washington, D.C., area as oceanographic aides for positions in the government and private industry. The Office of Education announced that arrangements for the vessel to be towed from Norfolk to Washington are being made by Ogden Technological Laboratories, Inc., which will establish the curriculum and provide instructors for the \$155,000 program. The 15-month program provides for classes of 40 hours per week lasting eight to ten weeks. The ship will be berthed at the former Naval Gun Factory on the Anacostia River.

DILORETO AND MOZENEY AWARDED BRONZE MEDALS



Russell Mozeney, Corpus Christi, Tex., meteorologist in charge (top right), and Edmund DiLoreto, meteorologist in charge at San Antonio, Tex. (bottom photo), were awarded Department of Commerce Bronze Medals by Weather Bureau Southern Region Director Wilmer L. Thompson in a ceremony held Oct. 21. Mr. Mozeney

was cited "for fine leadership and effectiveness in issuing accurate forecasts for record breaking floods caused by Hurricane Beulah." Mr. DiLoreto received the award "for exceptional leadership in many significant programs and displaying outstanding effectiveness during Hurricane Beulah." The ceremony was attended by representatives from city, county, and state governments; TV, press, and radio; military and other Federal agencies.

U.S.-JAPAN HOLD NATURAL RESOURCES CONFERENCE

The Fourth U.S.-Japan Conference on Natural Resources was held in Washington, D. C., Oct. 22-24, to broaden their joint studies for solving scientific and technical problems associated with natural resources. Activities have been underway in the areas of air pollution, water pollution, sea water desalination, energy supplies and requirements, wind and seismic damage to buildings, undersea technology, protein resources, forage crops, toxic microorganisms, respiratory diseases of domestic animals, and national Parks. Both Governments agreed to expand the program in the fields of marine resources research and development and in forestry management. Liaison officers from the two countries were also appointed to develop details of joint programs in the fields of marine environmental observations and forecasting, and topographic and geological surveys. Morton J. Rubin, Deputy Chief, ESSA Plans and Requirements Division, was a member of the U.S. delegation. Harold M. Yates, Director, Satellite Experiment Laboratory, NESL, participated in a seminar discussion on remote sensing. The next conference is tentatively scheduled for the spring of 1970 in Japan.

BRIGADIER HOTINE DIES ABROAD

Brigadier Martin Hotine, a member of ERL's Earth Sciences Laboratory, who retired Aug. 16 after more than 50 years' service to the United States and British governments, died in England on Nov. 11. Following his retirement as Director of Overseas Surveys in Great Britain, he went to work for the Coast Survey in 1963. A major scientific publication titled "Mathematical Geodesy," authored by Brigadier Hotine, is scheduled for publication by the Government Printing Office next spring.

THREE BRIEF OFFICER TRAINING CLASS

Dr. Clifford A. Spohn, NESC's Director, Office of Operations; Harold W. Yates, Director, Satellite Experiment Laboratory; and Lt. Cdr. William R. Curtis, Special Projects Group, briefed members of the ESSA Commissioned Corps officer training class at the Atlantic Marine Center in Norfolk, Oct. 31.

147.7% REACHED IN D.C. CHARITY DRIVE

With pledges totaling more than \$80,000, the ESSA employees of the Washington National Capital area have subscribed 147.7 percent of the assigned quota. This reflects the generosity expressed by many in support of the voluntary charity and welfare agencies. Dr. Robert M. White, ESSA Administrator, who served as chairman of the campaign, extends his thanks to all who participated.

TONKEL TO ATTEND SCIENCE EXECUTIVES MEETING

Captain Miller J. Tonkel, Associate Director of the Coast Survey for Hydrography and Oceanography, will attend a conference for Federal science executives at Williamsburg, Va., Dec. 1-6. The conference is being conducted by the Brookings Institution.

SERVICE AWARDS

WB Western Region employees eligible to receive length-of-service awards during November are: 25 years - Robert E. Blackstone, Los Angeles. 20 years - Eugene G. Harding, Flagstaff, Ariz.; Dean C. Hirschi, Logan, Utah; and Richard B. Burgett, Stockton, Calif. Paul Presley, Washington-area ESSA employee, has received a 30-year length-of-service award.

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