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A MESSAGE FROM THE ADMINISTRATOR

The consolidation in 1966 of the administrative-type staff organizations under the Assistant Administrator for Administration and Technical Services has proved to be a successful realignment of interrelated functions.

Recently I designated a task force to study the desirability of a similar consolidation of the planning, programming, program evaluation and requirements functions carried on within ESSA headquarters. I asked that this study be made so that we would have a current appraisal of the effectiveness of our efforts in meeting the changing demands we have faced since the initial ESSA organization was established in 1965. In particular, it appeared to me that the volume and nature of special projects assigned to staff offices within the Office of Science and Engineering had modified the direction of their efforts somewhat and that perhaps some of the intended functions were not receiving the emphasis they needed. The task group made its report to me on Aug. 21, 1967, and concluded that it was both feasible and desirable that the organization be modified to consolidate the existing Offices of Planning and Program Evaluation, Science and Engineering, and User Affairs into one office under the direction of an Assistant Administrator for Plans and Programs.

Upon my recommendation the Department of Commerce has approved this organizational change and Department Order 2-B has been revised accordingly, effective Sept. 8, 1967. I am confident the new Office will make a positive contribution to our organization in carrying on the planning, programming, and program evaluation functions through greater participation of the line components and reducing the problems of intra-staff coordination.

Until permanent personnel assignments are made, I have asked the following individuals to act in the positions indicated below:

- Assistant Administrator for Plans & Programs: Donald F. Moore, now Deputy Federal Coordinator for Meteorological Services and Supporting Research.

- Assistant Deputy Administrator for Policy Development, within the Office of the Administrator: Walter A. Hahn, now Director of Planning and Program Evaluation.
- Special Assistant to the Administrator for Science and Engineering: Dr. William V. Wright, now Director of Science and Engineering.
- Deputy Federal Coordinator for Meteorological Services and Supporting Research: Clarence E. Roache, now Chief, Operating Program Group, Federal Coordinator's Office.

Within the newly-created Office of the Assistant Administrator for Plans and Programs:

- Deputy to the Assistant Administrator and Chief of the User Affairs Group: Paul H. Kutschenreuter, now Director of User Affairs.
- Chief of Planning and Requirements Division: Dr. William O. Davis, now Physical Science Administrator, Office of Science and Engineering.
- Chief of the Programs Division: John W. Connolly, now Senior Scientist, Office of Science and Engineering.
- Chief of Program Evaluation Division: Donald C. House, now Deputy Director for Program Planning, Office of Planning and Program Evaluation.

Other personnel in units which have been consolidated will continue their present duties until specific assignments are determined under the new organization.

The Organization Handbook and other appropriate issuances will be revised to accommodate the above changes in the near future.

Robert M. White

MOORE NAMED ACTING ASSISTANT ADMINISTRATOR



Donald F. Moore, the Acting Assistant Administrator for Plans and Programs, has been Deputy Federal Coordinator for Meteorological Services and Supporting Research since early 1964. Mr. Moore served in the Air Force from 1940 until 1964, retiring with the rank of colonel. His Air Force assignments included duty as inspector of weather facilities in the United States; as operations officer with weather squadrons in Japan and Germany; in the Plans Office, Air Weather Service headquarters; as secretary to the Joint Meteorological Committee of the Joint Chiefs of Staff; and as assistant weather officer of the Eighth Air Force (Strategic Air Command). From 1959 to 1961, he served with the Air Force Systems Command as deputy director of a research and development program to modernize the weather service. Colonel Moore joined the Weather Bureau in 1963 as military advisor to the Chief of Bureau and also held the post of acting chief of the Bureau's Office of Planning.

BOSTON FORECASTERS AID AMERICA'S CUP RACES

The WB's forecast center at Boston is furnishing special marine forecasting for the America's Cup Races this week. Arrangements were worked out between H. H. Anderson, Jr., Chairman of the Race Committee, and Dr. Oscar Tenenbaum, MIC of the Boston center. The Marine Forecast Specialist, Robert Lynde, provided liaison and coordination. The forecasts are made for the designated race area centered eight miles off Newport, R. I., and cover the period from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. EDT plus a second day outlook. The predictions are transmitted to the Race Committee at Newport via Coast Guard communications circuits and made available to both the American and Australian interests.

C&GS PREPARES ZIP CODE MAP

The C&GS has prepared and printed for the Post Office Department a new U. S. Postal Zip Code Map, showing the National Zip Code Area boundaries and numbers, the Postal Sectional Center cities and boundaries with their three-digit Zip code prefixes, and state boundaries. The map covers the 48 conterminous states on two sheets, which can be joined to make a wall map. Inset maps are included for Puerto Rico and the Virgin Islands, Alaska, Hawaii, and the New York and Los Angeles metropolitan areas.

ALASKANS TRAIN FOR WB POSITIONS

Thirteen native Alaskan high school graduates (shown with instructor Charles Baker) are being trained as weather observers under a cooperative agreement between the Bureau of Indian Affairs and the Weather Bureau. Upon successful completion of a seven-month course in surface and upper-air observation and a passing grade on the Civil Service Examination, they will become employees of the Weather Bureau.



TAYLOR TO CHAIR IER CHARITY DRIVE

Dr. Floyd L. Taylor, Director, Administrative and Technical Services (IER) has been named IER's chairman for the Combined Federal Campaign. He will be assisted by Roy W. Stockwell of the Personnel Division.

SERVICE AWARDS

In the WB's Eastern Region, the following employees are eligible for length-of-service awards this month. 30 years - Albert C. Flahive, Boston; Louis Goldman, Boston; Mart G. Baldwin, Harrisburg, Pa., and Stuart E. Cravens, New York. 25 years - Walter H. Glassman; Boston, Helen A. Taft, Burlington, Vt.; Lynne S. Holcombe, Greensboro, N.C.; Charles Chibka, Portland, Me.; and Mason A. Bennis, Providence, R.I. 20 years - Dominick M. Russo, ERH; Claude W. Chapman, Albany, N.Y.; Stuart F. Brown, Baltimore; Vincent L. Kreinbrink, Cincinnati; Paul A. Montgomery, Cleveland; and Charles R. Hansen, Dayton.

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