

Ex Named Top Scientist At Spacecraft Center

Dr. Marvin Gene Simmons, 1949 A&M electrical engineering graduate, has been named chief scientist for the Manned Spacecraft Center in Houston.

The Carrollton native is professor of geophysics at Massachusetts Institute of Technology. MSC director Dr. Robert F. Gilruth said Simmons will serve as MSC's spokesman to the scientific community. Simmons also will be responsible for planning and developing the scientific program in conjunction with world scientists.

Dr. Simmons was commissioned in the U. S. Air Force following graduation from Texas A&M, where he was a member of "C"

flight in the A&M Corps of Cadets. He was a member of Tau Beta Phi scholastic honor society and the American Institute of Electrical Engineers.

He will report directly to Gilruth but will continue his ties with MIT and spend only a portion of his time at the MSC.

Simmons will place "additional emphasis" on the strong role science will play in lunar exploration and other manned missions of the future, Gilruth noted.

The post was created with a view toward attracting "eminently qualified scientists" from academic life to NASA's manned spacecraft program, Gilruth emphasized.

Simmons is a co-investigator of the lunar surface heat flow experiment scheduled to be deployed on the moon during a future mission and was engaged in preliminary analysis of the Apollo 11 moon rocks.

Simmons received his master's degree from SMU in 1958 and was assistant professor of geology at SMU from 1962-65. He was a National Science Foundation Fellow at Harvard University in 1961-62. Dr. Simmons received his Ph.D. from Harvard.

The MSC has been criticized recently by scientists claiming a lack of scientific emphasis in space flights.

Engineers Visiting Graphics Classes

Thirty-three engineers from Texas industries are participating this week in A&M's Visiting Engineer Program.

Dr. James H. Earle, head of the sponsoring Engineering Graphics Department said the visiting professionals are providing general guidance and evaluating the preliminary ideas of 170 freshmen who are working on assigned planning problems in engineering graphics.

Student teams of six to eight members will plan an educational display system, a car rental system for students, a pedestrian flow system for a campus area,

or a supermarket checkout system, Earle explained.

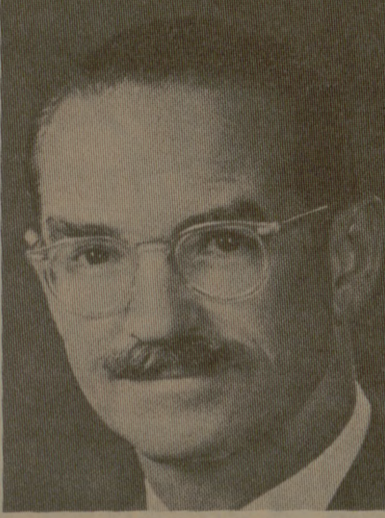
When the visiting engineers return Jan. 8-14, they will evaluate the designs and oral presentations of the student teams, the professor added.

Initiated in 1966, the program serves as a motivating influence for new engineering students by bringing them into contact with practicing members of the profession, Earle noted. A total of 228 engineers have participated to date.

Taking part this week are Donald H. Clark, Baroid Division of National Lead Company, Houston; Alex Gillies, Marshall F. Conover, J. E. Alexander, John Devillier, Robert G. Olander, and Robert L. Petty of TRW Systems, Houston; Michael B. Hunn, Rohm and Haas, Deer Park; R. L. Love, Tellepsen Petro-Chem Constructors, Houston.

Also, Orphie Neathery and Donald L. Parker, Mobil Oil; Lee H. Erb, Bell Helicopter, Fort Worth; Jerry M. Moore, Jefferson Chemical, Port Neches; B. R. Clausen, Gulf States Utilities, Beaumont; Richard A. Watson, Rowan Drilling Co., Houston; Noel C. Calkins, Cabot Corp., Pampa.

Others are J. R. Taylor, American Petrofina; Frank Jones and Robert Tribble, Cities Service Oil; Herbert H. Fisher, Ronald G. Turner, and William D. Myers, Baker Oil Tools, Houston; Randy M. Johnson and Burt E. Moritz, Dow Chemical; Charles Still and Oscar Beard, Alenco; Darrel Adams and Roy Roberson of the Texas Highway Department in Tyler; Trice Williams, Atlas Chemical, Marshall; R. L. Shenkir, Texas Highway Department, Hearne; Donald Garret, Texas Highway Department, Bryan; Lloyd L. James, City Engineer, College Station; and Dwain Mayfield from General Dynamics, Fort Worth.



Grady Clay

Urban Expert Here Thursday For Seminar

Grady Clay, editor of Landscape Architecture Quarterly, will conduct a seminar Thursday at the College of Architecture and Environmental Design.

Robert F. White, head of the Landscape Architecture Department, said the 2 p.m. seminar in Room 209 of the Architecture Building will generally pertain to preparation of articles concerning landscape conservation and urban affairs.

In addition to editing Landscape Architecture Quarterly, Clay serves as a consultant to Northwestern University's Urban Journalism Center and consulting editor for the Urban Studies Center at the University of Louisville.

Clay was a member of former President Johnson's task force on suburban problems and several other federal study groups. He also is a former president of the National Association of Real Estate Editors.

A 1938 graduate of Emory University, Clay received a master's degree from Columbia the following year and was a Nieman Fellow at Harvard University in 1948-49.

He has authored or contributed to several books, including "New Towns for Appalachian America," "The Exploding Metropolis," "The Subversive Science" and "The Competitors."

Clay's seminar is jointly sponsored by the Landscape Architecture and Urban and Regional Planning Departments.

Campus Briefs

Armco Foundation Gives A&M \$2,000

The Armco Foundation has awarded a \$2,000 unrestricted grant to the Industrial Engineering Department.

Pat S. McCrory, employment supervisor for Armco Steel Corp. in Houston, presented the award Tuesday to A&M President Earl Rudder during informal campus ceremonies.

McCrory, a 1954 A&M graduate and brother of A&M Development Director Dorsey McCrory, said the grant will be presented in two \$1,000 installments.

He noted the foundation, supported by Armco Steel Corp., has a policy of providing special support to universities formerly attended by a sizeable number of the firm's employees.

Joining Rudder in accepting the gift were Engineering Dean Fred Benson; Dr. A. W. Wortham, head of the Industrial Engineering Department, and Dorsey McCrory.

Outside Pool to Close; Indoor Pool to Open

Swimmers here go indoors next month.

The university's Olympic-size Wofford Cain Pool will close Oct. 31 and P. L. Downs Natatorium's warmed indoor pool will open three days a week on a request basis beginning Nov. 3, announced Dr. Carl W. Landiss.

The Health and Physical Education Department head stressed that Downs pool will be open on a participation basis only from 7:30 to 9 p.m. on Mondays, Tuesdays and Thursdays.

"If we don't have enough swimmers, the program will be discontinued," he said. Downs facilities will be available to A&M's faculty-staff members, their families and university students.

A season pass will be \$15 per individual or family unit. Single admission will be 50 cents per adult and 25 cents a child or A&M student.

A&M swim coach and instructor Pat Patterson noted that on occasion of classes and swim meets, Downs Natatorium will not be open. Patterson will be in charge of the Health and PE Department program.

Landiss said Wofford Cain pool will reopen April 1, following the end of the indoor swimming season on March 23.

Grad Announcement Orders Due Friday

Students expecting to graduate in January have until Friday to order graduation announcements.

The announcements are on sale in the Cashier's Office in the lower level of the Memorial Student Center. The office is open from 9-noon and 1-4 p.m. daily.

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684 Foreign Students Enrolled Here

Texas A&M has 684 foreign students from 76 countries and 1,623 out-of-state students from every state in the union in its 14,039 fall enrollment.

Almost 90 per cent of A&M's enrollment, however, is represented by Texans, notes Registrar Robert A. Lacey.

Three states have over 100 students each enrolled in Texas' oldest public university. They are Louisiana with 184, New York, 162, and California, 105.

Five foreign countries have at least 40 students here, including the Dominican Republic with 90; China, 65; Mexico, 56; India, 57 and Pakistan, 44.

3 Profs to Join Visiting Biologists

Three A&M professors have been selected to participate in the 1969-70 Visiting Biologists Program sponsored by the Office of Biological Education of the American Institute of Biological Sciences.

The A&M participants are Dr. Johannes van Overbeek, head of the Biology Department and director of the university's Institute of Life Science; Dr. Walter H. Thames Jr., professor of plant sciences, and Dr. Gary B. Donart, assistant professor of range science.

Primary objective of the Visiting Biologists Program, explained an AIBS spokesman, is to enable

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