

News Release

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RELEASE TO DALLAS, ON RECEIPT

Mayor Erik Jonsson announces that Dr. Lloyd Berkner, retiring scientific director of the Graduate Research Center of the Southwest, has been awarded the National Aeronautics and Space Administration's highest civilian award, the Public Service Medal. The announcement was made at an Appreciation Dinner, March 16, honoring Doctor Berkner for his five years of work in developing the GRC. The GRC observed its Fifth Anniversary in a five-day program March 16-20. Doctor Berkner is at Mayor Jonsson's left, with Mrs. Lillian Berkner, his wife, and Bob Cullum, who represented the State Fair of Texas.

Dr. Martin Halpern, Research Associate in Geosciences Division at GRC, joins with President Gifford K. Johnson in presenting a Texas flag that has made an Antarctic journey to Mr. Cullum. Doctor Halpern carried the flag to 75 degrees South, 72 degrees West on a geological expedition, from October, 1965 until late January this year. His route took him from Washington to California, Hawaii, Fiji, Pago Pago, New Zealand, McMurdo Base, past the South Pole (to the west of the Polar region), to Byrd Station, and into the Antarctic Peninsula. The flag will be placed on display at the State Fair of Texas, said SFT President Cullum.

The Graduate Research Center of the Southwest opened 160 acres of its 1,200 acre campus to industrial research laboratories on March 18, during its Fifth Anniversary Celebration. Symbolizing the joint interests of communities, industries, and the GRC in developing the regional scientific community, this group mingled earth from individual sites with that of the GRC campus in a tree-planting ceremony at the Founders Building. Represented were: Hunt Properties (Dallas North Research Park),

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ADD DALLAS CAPTIONS

by Herbert Hunt; GRC, by Vice President Ralph N. Stohl; Atlantic Refining Company, which is building in Dallas North Research Park, by Boone Macaulay; The Western Company, which is building in GRC's Technology Park, by Dr. William Brown, head of the Research Division; Ling-Temco-Vought, Inc., which announced its intent to purchase a research site on the campus, by President Clyde Skeen; Texas Instruments Incorporated, which previously purchase a separate 125-acre campus site, by Vice President S. T. (Buddy) Harris; Lomas-Nettleton, developers of Canyon Creek residential area, by Vice President W. A. (Pete) Scarbrough; City Manager Robert Sherrill of Richardson, and Mayor Robert Harrington of Plano.

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