

People in the News

Miklós Hetényi

Miklós Hetényi, professor emeritus of the Department of Civil and Mechanical Engineering, Stanford University, died in late October, 1984 of natural causes. He was 77 years old. A native of Hungary, Professor Hetényi was widely known as an expert in engineering stress analysis.

Along with William M. Murray and Charles Lipson, Professor Hetényi was a cofounder of SESA (now SEM). He served as the Society's second president (1944-45) and as a member of the Executive Board (1943). He was named an honorary member of the Society in 1956. SEM's prestigious Hetényi Award, which recognizes the most significant research paper published in *EXPERIMENTAL MECHANICS* during a one-year period, was named in the professor's honor.

A U.S. citizen since 1943, Professor Hetényi served as a professor of theoretical and applied mechanics at Northwestern University's Technological Institute from 1946 to 1962. At Northwestern, he was named the Walter P. Murphy Professor of Engineering Sciences (1950-1962). He went on to join the staff of Stanford University as a professor of applied mechanics and structural engineering, a position he held from 1962 to 1972. Professor Hetényi served as chairman of the University's Applied Mechanics Department from 1965 to 1969. He retired in 1972.

Professor Hetényi received a diploma in civil engineering from the University of Technical Sciences, Budapest, Hungary in 1931. He did graduate work with H.M. Westergaard, University of Illinois and with S.P. Timoshenko, University of Michigan. The professor received a PhD degree in engineering mechanics from the University of Michigan (1936), an Honorary Doctor of Engineering Science degree from the University of Budapest (1965) and an Honorary Doctor of Laws degree from the University of Glasgow (1968). He is the author of over 70 scientific papers on analytical and experimental mechanics and on the theory of structures. He is also the author or editor

of several experimental-mechanics books.

Miklós Hetényi is credited with several major contributions to engineering science, including the development and application of three-dimensional photoelasticity, the development of a 'reduction method' for the analysis of continuous frames, and a solution for axisymmetrical deformation of spherical and related structures.

Wilhelm Receives Award of Merit

David P. Wilhelm, senior technical specialist for Northrop Corporation, Aircraft Division of Hawthorne, CA has been named a 1984 recipient of ASTM's Award of Merit. Mr. Wilhelm received the award on August 8, 1984 at the Seventeenth National Symposium on Fracture Mechanics in Albany, NY. He was recognized for over 15 years of distinguished service and leadership in ASTM Committee E-24 on Fracture Testing and for important contributions to the advancement of voluntary standards for fracture testing.

A member of SEM, Mr. Wilhelm received a BS degree in physics in 1956 from Duquesne University. He joined Douglas Aircraft that year as an engineer, then worked as a technological assistant for United States Steel Research from 1957 to 1962. Mr. Wilhelm joined the staff at Northrop in 1962, obtaining his present position in 1974.

Kubler Appointed Vice-president

John M. Kubler has been appointed vice-president, engineering, of Kistler Instrument Corporation, Amherst, NY. Mr. Kubler is a graduate of Machine Design Apprenticeship, Sulzer Bros., Switzerland, and studied mechanical engineering at Abend Technikum, Zurich, Switzerland.

Mr. Kubler became Kistler's manager of transducer design in 1979 and has served as engineering manager since 1983.



C.C. Perry

Perry Becomes Independent Consultant

C.C. Perry has become a consulting engineer in private practice with an office in Wendell, NC, near Raleigh. Until recently, he was senior vice-president of Measurements Group, Inc., a subsidiary of Vishay Inter-technology. Prior to joining Vishay in 1967, he held the position of vice-president of the W.M. Chace Co.

Internationally known for his work and publications in experimental stress analysis, C.C. Perry is the principal author of the *Strain Gage Primer*. He is also the author or co-author of numerous other publications in stress analysis, fluid mechanics, technical education and the design of thermally responsive bimetallic elements. Dr. Perry earned a PhD degree in mechanical engineering at the University of Michigan, after obtaining MS and BS degrees in mechanical engineering at Wayne State University.

Dr. Perry is a senior member, fellow and past president of SEM. He also holds membership in ASME, ASTM, ISA, BSSM and ASEE. He is a registered professional engineer in North Carolina, Michigan, Ohio, Illinois and Indiana.