

DR. Bowling Barnes, for the past twelve years director of the physics division of the Stamford Research Laboratories of American Cyanamid Company, has been elected vice-president in charge of research and development of American Optical Company, Southbridge, Massachusetts.

DR. GEORGE L. HALLER has been named dean of the School of Chemistry and Physics at the Pennsylvania State College, succeeding Dean Frank C. Whitmore, who died in June, 1947.

EDGAR A. JETT, II, has been appointed assistant director of Armour Research Foundation of Illinois Institute of Technology.

Dr. Simon Ramo, director of research, Electronics Department, Hughes Aircraft Company, Culver City, California, has been appointed director of guided missile development. He has also recently been appointed a research associate at the California Institute of Technology.

DR. DUANE ROLLER, professor of physics and head of the department at Wabash College, will be at Harvard University next year on a visiting appointment. Acting head of the physics department at Wabash College will be W. W. MUTCH, on leave of absence from Knox College.

CHARLES R. SCHMIDT has joined the staff of the Airlectron Engineering Company of Caldwell, New Jersey, as assistant chief engineer. He will take charge of new product development in electronic instrumentation.

GEORGE G. SOMMARIPA has been named head of the national standardization work on consumer goods for the American Standards Association.

DR. HAROLD VAGTBORG resigned as president and director of the Midwest Research Institute, Kansas City, Missouri, to take up a similar position at the new Southwest Research Institute, Houston Texas, effective September 1, 1948.

DR. BERNARD B. WATSON, senior research fellow in physics at the California Institute of Technology, has been appointed associate professor of physics at Temple University, Texas.

PROFESSOR G. A. WOONTON, University of Western Ontario, London, Ontario, has been appointed professor of physics and director of the Eaton Electronics Laboratory, McGill University, Montreal.

CLAYTON M. ZIEMAN has been appointed assistant professor of physics at Wabash College and will join the staff there in September.

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The food bill, the highest item in our budget, is always kept under \$20 a week, including milk—which shows that Donna does real planning to feed five hungry mouths. This she accomplishes by buying in quantity and by watching the bargain-day sales. Friday mornings she bundles Nancy and Barbara into our '39 Ford while Gordon is in kindergarten, and she goes to the Super-Market for the week-end specials.

Last summer my garden—fifty feet by fifty—produced vegetables aplenty and string beans and tomatoes to can, even on poor soil and with a single, hasty, weekly weeding. We picked our own raspberries and cherries, thereby saving almost twenty-five cents a quart, to increase our fruit shelf larder. The cost of our home-canned food is averaged into our twenty-dollar-per-week estimate, and is a factor in keeping it that low.

Rationing Play

So, by many and devious means, a penny here and a penny there, the dollars dribble carefully out. Neither of us smokes or drinks, an annual saving of at least seventy-five dollars. Magazines are cut to two periodicals and the rest of our reading is done at the public library. Christmas brings renewals on stockings, underwear, shirts, and slippers. Most of the family dry cleaning is done, cautiously, at home, and the steam iron saves on pressing bills.

Donna gets her relaxation during part of the evening by reading, knitting, working at photography, or practising with the Lansing Symphony. We met in 1937 as 'cellists sitting together in the Western Michigan College Orchestra, and were married four years later, after we had both taught two years. It grieves us that we have no time to attend the excellent lecture-concert series presented here at the college-such entertainment as the Philadelphia Symphony, Marian Anderson, Fritz Kreisler, and Lowell Thomas. Even the Messiah at People's Church came during examination week and we missed it. We entertain much less frequently than we should like, and usually forgo the pleasure of faculty and student dances. But we feel that the sacrifices are for a good cause, and we have a good many years ahead of us in which to enjoy concerts, dances, and games,