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Of the nineteen senior visiting fellowships awarded in April to United States scientists under the fellowship program of the Organization for European Economic Cooperation, two have been granted to physicists. Donald F. Holcomb of Cornell University will study at the Central Institute for Industrial Research in Oslo, Norway, and Philip S. Jastram of Ohio State University will carry out his fellowship work at the Institute for Theoretical Physics in Copenhagen, Denmark. The OEEC program for US scientists, which is administered by the National Science Foundation, enables recipients to undertake studies at institutions in OEEC countries in specialized fields which their home institutions desire to strengthen. European scientists are also selected as senior visiting fellows to study in the United States under the program, which is supported by the OEEC and the US.

Roland De Wit, Harold S. Boyne, Charles K. Mc-Lane, and Alan T. Hirshfeld, are physicists who have recently joined the staff of the National Bureau of Standards in Washington, D. C.

Robert M. Hexter, senior fellow of Mellon Institute, Pittsburgh, Pa., has received a Guggenheim Fellowship and a Fulbright grant to do research at the Israel Institute of Technology (the Technion), Haifa, for the academic year 1961–62. Dr. Hexter will be associated with Otto Schnepp in a study of the problem of predicting the electronic and vibrational spectra of molecular crystals.

Herbert Friedman, currently superintendent of the Astrophysics Division of the Naval Research Laboratory in Washington, D. C., has been appointed part-time professor of physics at the University of Maryland, commencing with the spring semester, 1961. Leonard Rodberg, assistant professor of physics, has been granted a year's leave of absence from the University to serve with the United States Disarmament Commission in Washington, D. C.

Meyer Gilden, formerly of the Electromagnetics Laboratory at Stanford Research Institute, has been named senior engineer in the Electron Tube and Device Division of Microwave Associates, Inc., Burlington, Mass.

Henry C. Alberts, formerly with the Cook Electric Company, has been named to the position of director of marketing of the Northeastern United States for National Company, Inc., Malden, Mass.

Anthony C. L. Barnard, former research associate at the State University of Iowa, has become an assistant professor in the Department of Physics at Rice University in Houston, Texas.

John Hart has been promoted to the post of professor and chairman of the Physics Department at Carleton University, Ottawa, Canada.

Hans Mark has accepted an appointment as associate professor of nuclear engineering at the University of California in Berkeley. He will also continue as leader of the Nuclear Physics Division at the Lawrence Radiation Laboratory, Livermore.

Leland J. Haworth, member of the US Atomic Energy Commission and former director of the Brookhaven National Laboratory, was the principal speaker and recipient of the honorary degree of doctor of engineering at the Stevens Institute of Technology's eighty-ninth annual commencement exercises on June 10.

Frederick R. Hays has been appointed senior staff physicist to work on the fiber-optics program at American Optical Company's Research Center in Southbridge, Mass. Stephen M. MacNeille, director of research at American Optical Company, has been elected president of the Optical Society of America's New England Section.

Frederick M. Ryan has returned to the Westinghouse Research Laboratories in Pittsburgh after having been on military leave; a physicist in the Solid State Phenomena Department, he will be engaged in research on luminescence. Dwight Damon, a recent graduate of Purdue University, has joined the same Department to work on low-temperature thermal conductivity. Two new members of the Westinghouse Physics Department in Pittsburgh are William H. Kasner from the University of Maryland, who will study atomic collision processes in ionized gases, and J. R. Liebowitz, a graduate of Brown University, who will be doing research on the physics of metals at low temperatures.

Peter B. Kahn of the State University of Iowa has accepted an appointment as assistant professor at the State University of New York, Oyster Bay, L. I.

David E. Soule, research physicist at the research laboratory of the National Carbon Company in Parma, Ohio, will spend the 1961–62 academic year in England under a National Science Foundation post-doctoral fellowship. He will work with Prof. A. B. Pippard at the Royal Society Mond Laboratory, Cambridge University, studying electronic size effects in metals at low temperatures.

Roger E. Batzel has been appointed to the newly created post of associate director for chemistry of the University of California's Lawrence Radiation Laboratory at Livermore.

Frank Press, professor of geophysics at the California Institute of Technology in Pasadena, has been named "California Scientist of the Year" by the Museum of Science and Industry Foundation of California.

Jacob Enoch, formerly of the Los Alamos Scientific Laboratory, has joined the Space Sciences Laboratory of the General Electric Missile and Space Vehicle Department in Philadelphia as a theoretical physicist working on rarefied gas dynamics. Donald G. Flom, now manager of plastic research for the Department, was until recently a research associate at GE's Research Laboratories in Schenectady, N. Y.

Eugene K. Thorburn, until recently vice president and chief engineer of Pacific Optical Corporation, was appointed a member of the senior technical staff of the Electro-Optical Division of the Perkin-Elmer Corporation in Los Angeles, Calif.

Barry Jerome Liles, recipient of the 1961-62 Socony Mobil Oil Company Fellowship in the department of physics at Yale University, will seek his PhD there in experimental nuclear physics.