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Victor F. Weisskopf, director-general and scientific director of the European Organization for Nuclear Research since December 1960, has resumed his post as institute profes-



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sor of physics at Massachusetts Institute of Technology. Honoring his leadership of CERN, his colleagues throughout the world collaborated in writing a volume of essays on theoretical and particle physics. "Through the work he did at CERN," reads the preface, "through the impact of his mature personality, he has had a profound influence on modern physics in Europe." CERN's new director-general for the next five years will be Bernard P. Gregory, professor at the Ecole Polytechnique in Paris.

Arnold H. Scott has retired as chief of the National Bureau of Standards dielectrics section after 42 years as NBS. Russell C. Casella, formerly of IBM's Watson Research Center, has joined the bureau as a theoretical physicist in the solid-state physics group of the Institute for Materials Research. Fred C. Hipp, formerly of Research Analysis Corporation, has joined the technical analysis division of the NBS Institute for Applied Technology.

William C. Davidon, associate professor of physics at Haverford College, has been elected president of the Society for Social Responsibility in Science.

James L. Allison, formerly a research assistant at the University of Kentucky, has moved to the Oak Ridge gaseous diffusion plant as a programer.

Marshall P. Ernstene, formerly associate manager of the ion physics department at Electro-Optical Systems, and Robert C. Speiser, formerly assistant manager, have been named managers of the new ion technology and gaseous electronics departments, respectively. Other new Electro-Optical appointments are Morris Katzman, formerly of the US Army Electronics Laboratories, to be manager of the optical radar section; Paul F. Jacobs, formerly of the James Forrestal Research Center, to be senior research physicist in the fluid physics division; and James H. Boyden, formerly of Korad Corporation, to be senior scientist in the optical electronics division.

Hellmut J. Juretschke has been named acting head of the physics department at Polytechnic Institute of Brooklyn. New assistant professors in the department include Joseph B. Krieger, formerly research assistant at IBM Watson Laboratories; Lawrence B. Mendelsohn, formerly research assist-York University's ant at New Courant Institute; George Stell, previously associate research scientist at Yeshiva University; and Daniel D. H. Yee, formerly research associate at Brooklyn Poly. Donald Rapp, formerly staff scientist at Lockheed Corp., has been named associate professor of chemical physics at the institute.

Raymond M. Wilenzick has been promoted from assistant to associate professor in Tulane University's physics department. Sal G. Buccino, formerly a research physicist at Argonne National Laboratory, has been named assistant professor in the department. Ronald Laing, assistant professor of physics, is spending a year's leave of absence at Harvard University.

Francis W. Cooke, formerly with the department of materials engineering at Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, has joined Franklin Institute Research Laboratories as senior research metallurgist.

Roland W. Schmitt, recently on a special research assignment at Harvard University, has returned to General Electric Research and Development Center as manager of the metallurgy and ceramics laboratory. Richard W. Roberts has been named manager of the structures and reactions branch at the center.

William F. Tormey, formerly of the Institute for Industrial Research and Standards in Dublin, has joined the systems research laboratory at David Sarnoff Research Center.

Peter Hillman, head of the department of nuclear physics at Weizmann Institute of Science in Israel, has been promoted from assistant to associate professor. Others promoted to associate professor at the institute are Abraham Patchornik (biophysics), Ora Kedem (polymers), Fritz S. Klein (isotopes) and Nathan Sharon (biophysics).

Conrad J. Rauch, formerly general manager of Cryonetics Corporation, is now a consulting scientist with offices in Acton, Mass.



BLACKETT

Patrick M. S.
Blackett has been elected president of the Royal Society of Great Britain. Blackett, who is professor emeritus at London University and senior research fellow at

the Imperial College of Science and Technology, was awarded the 1948 Nobel Prize in physics for his work in perfecting the Wilson cloud chamber to detect cosmic radiation. His many services to British science include the presidency of both the British Association for the Advancement of Science and the Association of Scientific Workers, as well as his technical counsel during both world wars.

Frank H. Low, head of the nuclear division at Picker X-Ray Corporation, has been elected vice president-nuclear of the company.