would be right for *Reviews of Modern Physics*. The *Reviews* editors would evaluate the suggestions. Then the division would join the editors in approaching the selected authors.

New Chairman and Members Named to AIP COMPAS *Committee*

H. Richard Crane, professor and chairman of the physics department at the University of Michigan, became chairman of the Committee on Physics and Society (COMPAS) of the American Institute of Physics during the Washington meeting of the American Physical Society. He replaces as chairman John A. Wheeler, professor of physics at Princeton.

Since its inception last summer, COMPAS has documented the decline of federal support for research in physics and astronomy departments that grant doctoral degrees, and has taken a position against the drafting of physics students.

The committee lost one of its charter members with the death of Alan T. Waterman. Named to the committee was Margaret Mead, the anthropologist, who is curator of ethnology at the American Museum of Natural History in New York.

Also named were alternate delegates for three of the members: Morton F. Kaplon, professor and chairman of the physics and astronomy department, University of Rochester, for Robert E. Marshak; Ward Whaling, professor of physics at California Institute of Technology, for Robert F. Bacher; and Albert M. Clogston, physicist at Bell Telephone Laboratories, for William O. Baker.

OSA Names Officers, Prepares Journal, Announces Relocation

The Optical Society of America has announced that A. Francis Turner, head of the optical physics department of Bausch & Lomb, Inc., is the new OSA president and Karl G. Kessler, chief of the atomic-physics division of the National Bureau of Standards is president elect. New members of the board of directors, elected for terms of three years, are Bruce H. Billings of the Aerospace Corp., Donald R. Herriott of Bell Telephone Laboratories and King T. McCubbin of Pennsylvania State University.

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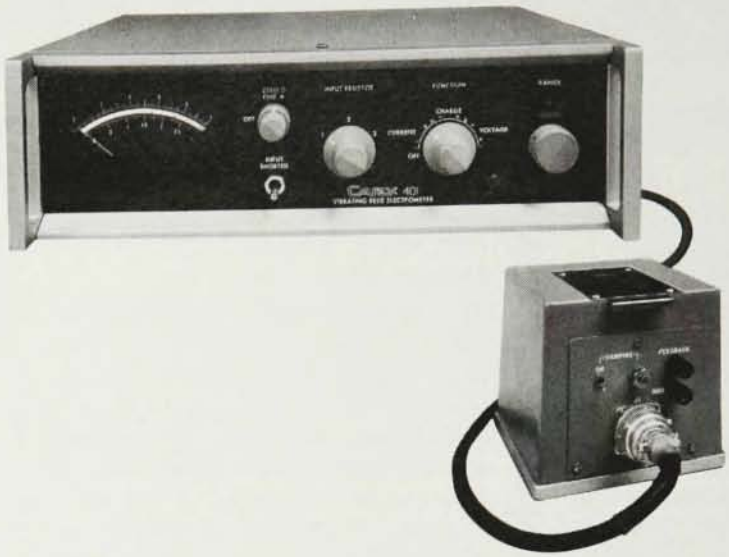

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a second Russian translation journal, *The Soviet Journal of Optical Technology*; subscriptions may be placed with the AIP. The OSA executive office is now located in the Joseph Henry Building of the National Academy of Sciences, 2100 Pennsylvania Ave., N.W., Washington, D. C.

Society of Rheology Changes Transactions to a Quarterly

Starting with its current volume *Transactions of the Society of Rheology* will be a quarterly publication soliciting papers from all who are interested in the field. Formerly *Transactions* came out of semiannual society meetings. Authors were expected to be society members. Raymond R. Myers, editor, asks that contributors send manuscripts in duplicate to him at the Chemistry Department, Kent State University, Kent, Ohio 44240.

In addition to Myers other officers currently serving the society are Thor L. Smith, Stanford Research Institute, president; Hershel Markovitz, Mellon Institute, vice-president; J. C. Miller, Union Carbide Plastics, secretary, and Shiro Matsuoka, Bell Labs, treasurer. Besides the officers the executive committee includes the past president, Robert S. Marvin, National Bureau of Standards, Jerald L. Ericksen, Johns Hopkins University, and R. S. Porter, University of Massachusetts.

Lyons Becomes Chairman of APS High-Polymer Division

Recent voting has made W. James Lyons (Textile Research Institute) new chairman of the American Physical Society Division of High-Polymer Physics. Elected with Lyons were Malcolm L. Williams (Chemstrand Research Center) as vice-chairman and Frank J. Padden Jr (Bell Labs) as secretary-treasurer.

Padden and William O. Stratton (du Pont) were elected to three-year terms on the division executive committee. Other members who are now serving on that committee are Philip H. Geil (Case Western Reserve), William R. Krigbaum (Duke) and John D. Hossman (National Bureau of Standards). A division councillor who is not a member of the executive committee but who is invited to attend all sessions is W. P. Slichter of the Bell Telephone Laboratories. □