

Kurt S. Lion, professor emeritus and senior lecturer at MIT, received the Instrument Society of America's Arnold O. Beckman Award during a luncheon at Houston in October. A biophysicist, Lion is professor emeritus of applied physics at MIT. He was cited for "his pioneering work in sensors for physical and biological measurements, and particularly for his application of capacitance principles in the development of transducers."

Robert W. Kedzie, formerly with Ventron Instruments, has become associate professor of physics at the University of Detroit.

Joining St. Joseph's College in Philadelphia are the **Rev. Thaddeus J. Burch**, formerly of Brookhaven National Laboratory, who will be an assistant professor, and **Joseph L. Wiza**, who will be a lecturer and research associate. Wiza had been senior physicist at the Lowell Technological Institute Research Foundation, Massachusetts.

Karl Dieter Moeller, professor of physics at Fairleigh Dickinson University, will be a visiting scientist at the European Space Research Institute in Rome from December until June.



HAZZARD

George W. Hazzard is the new president of Worcester Polytechnic Institute, Massachusetts. He succeeds **Harry P. Storke** who retired this summer. Hazzard, a physicist, was with General Electric Research Laboratories from 1954-65. He then became vice chancellor for research at Washington University in St. Louis, Mo.; **Robert W. Johnston**, executive assistant to the director of the National Science Foundation, will succeed Hazzard at Washington.

Richard N. Thomas and **H. Alastair Gebbie** have been appointed senior research fellows of the National Bureau of Standards. Thomas, who came to NBS in 1957, is a founder of the Joint Institute for Laboratory

Astrophysics, a cooperative venture of NBS and the University of Colorado. **Gebbie**, a specialist in infrared and submillimeter waves, formerly headed the advanced instrumentation unit of the National Physical Laboratory, UK. **Darrell H. Reneker** has been appointed chief of the polymer-crystal physics section, polymers division, at NBS. Reneker was formerly with E. I. du Pont de Nemours & Company. **Robert A. Kamper** will head the recently established cryoelectronics section of NBS cryogenics division. In his new post Kamper, who has been with NBS since 1963, will attempt to apply superconductivity to improve measurement techniques.

NASA has awarded its Exceptional Service Medal to **James C. Elms**, director of the agency's Electronics Research Center located in Cambridge, Mass.

Colin Thompson has joined Northwestern University as associate professor of physics and mathematics. He had been assistant professor of mathematics at MIT. **Boris J. Kayser** has moved to Northwestern as an associate professor of physics; he had been an assistant professor at the State University of New York, Stony Brook.

Charlotte Gordon, an astrophysicist who had been a research associate for the National Aeronautics and Space Administration for the past two years, has been appointed visiting professor of physics at the Belfer School of Science at Yeshiva University in N. Y. **Jonathan M. Wachtel** has been appointed assistant professor at Yeshiva. Wachtel had been in the Navy; he was working on nuclear weapons at the Defense Atomic Support Agency.

New appointments at the Los Alamos Scientific Laboratory include **John T. Caldwell**, nuclear-propulsion division; **John S. Clarke**, theoretical division; **Alvin H. Davis**, testing division; **Nobuyuki Tanaka**, medium-energy physics; and **LaMar J. Johnson**, health division.

Col. William B. Haidler has been named professor of physics and department head at the Air Force Acad-

emy. He replaces Col. **Anthony J. Mione**, who is on a two-year sabbatical assignment at the European Office of Aerospace Research in London.

Recent faculty appointments at Kansas State University include two adjunct associate professors, **Sevket Ozkök** on sabbatical leave from the University of Istanbul and **Christian Swenson** on sabbatical leave from Bethany College, Kansas. New assistant professors are **C. Lewis Cocke** of the University of Strasbourg, **John Eck** of Florida State University, **Kent Morrison** of Brandeis and **Thomas Tumolillo** of the University of Illinois.

The first of eight new appointments in solid-state physics at Brown University is **Leo Kadanoff**, formerly professor at the University of Illinois, who will be university professor and professor of physics.

Vincent P. Guinn, manager of the activation-analysis department at Gulf General Atomic, will leave in March to become professor of chemistry at the University of California, Irvine.

Govind S. Khandelwal has been pro-

Phimsy Disappears

Phimsy has disappeared; since the first of the year we haven't been able to find him anywhere. In times past we editors would periodically find notes from Phimsy stuck in our typewriters. Or we'd receive page proofs from our printer with "his" column included. Phimsy's urge to comment on matters that were absolutely none of his business seemed irrepressible.

Our attempts to discourage him have suddenly been successful. He didn't leave a forwarding address or even bother to answer his mail. Phimsy, we've concluded, has been promoted from his janitorial position and so no longer concerns himself with us. But what is he doing? Is he caught in the quest for quarks? Is he tailing tachyons? We'll be on the lookout for evidences of his work in the scholarly journals.

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