



COLLINS

George Collins, senior physicist at Brookhaven National Laboratories, has been elected acting president of the Stony Brook Council (the governing body of the State University of New York, Stony Brook), replacing **A. William Larson**. A high-energy physicist, Collins has been a council member since 1958 and this year headed a subcommittee that drafted a code to deal with student drug problems. Before coming to BNL in 1950, he was chairman of the University of Rochester physics department.

The British Society of Rheology has awarded its 1969 Gold Medal to **Duncan Dowson** and **Gordon R. Higginson**.

Ernest A. Neppiras is visiting professor this year at the department of mechanical engineering of the University of Houston.

Wallace S. Kreisman is now research associate, applied physics, for the Norton Research Corporation, Worcester, Mass. Kreisman, an ultrahigh-vacuum physicist, had been head of the high-vacuum research branch of the GCA Corporation, Bedford, Mass.

Appointed to endowed chairs at Wellesley College were **Sarah J. Hill**, professor of astronomy, to the Louis Atterbury Stimson professorship and **Janet B. Guernsey**, professor of physics, to the Louise S. McDowell professorship of physics.

F. Leo Talbott retired this summer from the Catholic University physics department. Talbott, a nuclear physicist who joined the Catholic University faculty in 1926, will continue his association with Oak Ridge Associated Universities and will teach at Allentown College, Allentown, Pa.

Klaus W. Schwarz and **Stuart Solin** are new assistant professors in the department of physics and the James Franck Institute at the University of

Chicago. Schwarz had been a research associate at the university, and Solin recently received his PhD from Purdue University. The geophysics department has added two physicists, **Ramesh C. Srivastaya** and **Robert G. Knollenberg**, to its faculty as assistant professors. Srivastaya was a research associate at Chicago, and Knollenberg was at the University of Wisconsin.

Named a research fellow at the B. F. Goodrich research and development center in Akron is **Mark L. Dannis**, a physicist who came to Goodrich from the Naval Ordnance Laboratories.

Additions to the physics department faculty at the University of Cincinnati are **Shacheenatha Jha**, formerly of Case-Western Reserve, professor; **Mirko Nussbaum**, formerly of the University of Pennsylvania, associate professor; **Walter H. Carnahan**, formerly of Case-Western Reserve, assistant professor and **William D. Hibler**, visiting assistant professor.

Gerhard Herzberg has resigned the directorship of the Canadian National Research Council division of pure physics. He will continue with the council as distinguished research scientist.

Charles Buntschuh, formerly of Microwave Associates, has joined KEV Electronics in Wilmington, Mass., as a senior research physicist.

The former director of research at Graflex, Inc., **Jay G. Schreckendgust**, has become a senior physicist in engineering physics at the Columbus laboratories of Battelle Memorial Institute.



BENTON

George S. Benton will be dean of faculty at The Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore, Md. as of July. Benton, a professor of meteorology at Johns Hopkins, is a fellow of the American Geophysical Union and last spring headed a US scientific delega-

tion to the USSR to discuss meteorology. **Allyn W. Kimball**, present dean of faculty, will return to full-time teaching and research at Johns Hopkins.

New director of the International Atomic Energy Agency division of research and laboratories is **Vasily I. Ferronsky** of the USSR. Ferronsky, who is now deputy director at the All-Union Institute of Hydrogeology and Engineering Geology, Moscow, replaces **Boris Grinberg**. Grinberg, director since 1967, is returning to his position as head of the Saclay (France) Laboratory for Measurement of Radioelements.

Richard Dalven of RCA Laboratories, Princeton, is spending this year as visiting research associate at the physics department of the University of California, Berkeley.



ROBERTSON

Randal M. Robertson has retired from the National Science Foundation, where he was deputy assistant director for research, as of 24 Jan. **Edward P. Todd**, a geophysicist who has been with NSF since 1963, succeeded him. One of the early leaders in development of US government support for basic research, Robertson has been in government service since 1946. He was part of the group that started the Office of Naval Research and was science director for the Department of the Navy when he joined NSF in 1958. Last January, he became only the third person to receive the Distinguished Service Award, NSF's highest honor.

Temple University physics department has five new associate professors: **W. Kenneth McFarlane**, formerly at the University of Pennsylvania; **Ted W. Mihalisin**, formerly at Gulf General Atomic; **Robert B. Weinberg**, formerly at the State University of New York, Stony Brook; **Jamil Daboul**, formerly at the University of California, San Diego and **John S. Wallingford**, formerly at Florida State

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University. Visiting assistant professor this year is E-Ni Foo of the City College of City University of New York.

Two former members of the Naval Research Laboratory staff, **Marvin Hass** and **Robert G. Fuller**, are now at the University of Nebraska. Hass is visiting professor, and Fuller has been appointed associate professor. **Joseph J. G. Scanio**, formerly of the University of Chicago, is visiting assistant professor.

Bogdan Maglic, formerly at the University of Pennsylvania, is now professor at Rutgers University, N. J. **Claude Lovelace**, now at CERN, will join the Rutgers faculty as professor next fall.

The Maryland Academy of Sciences has awarded three of four Distinguished Young Scientist certificates to physicists. **Douglas G. Currie** (assistant professor at the University of Maryland), **Calvin S. Koonce**, (National Bureau of Standards) and **Arthur L. Licht** (US Naval Ordnance Laboratory) received the awards.

Howard D. Greyber, chief of astrophysics in the space-sciences department of the Martin-Marietta Corporation, Denver, is adjunct professor of physics at the University of Denver.



MOTZ

New president of the New York Academy of Sciences is **Lloyd Motz**, professor of astronomy at Columbia University. Motz's research interests include constructing mathematical models to test current theories about stellar interiors. The academy is an interdisciplinary scientific or-

Harry F. Olson Wins IEEE Consumer Electronics Award

The Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers presented its 1969 Consumer Electronics Award to **Harry F. Olson** of RCA. Olson was, until his retirement two years ago, staff

organization; Motz has also served as chairman of its physical-sciences section.



STEHLE

Philip Stehle has been chosen as chairman of the physics department at the University of Pittsburgh, succeeding **Frederic Keffer**, who will remain in the department. New faculty members this year include **Richard M. Drisko**, professor, who has returned to Pittsburgh after four years at Oak Ridge National Laboratory; **Tsu Yao**, assistant professor, formerly at Rutgers University; and **Richard M. More**, assistant professor, formerly of the University of California, San Diego. Visitors this year include **Iwo Birula-Bialynicki** and his wife **Zofia**, both physicists from Warsaw University; **Marek P. Demianski**, also of Warsaw University; **William M. Jackson**, senior chemist with Goddard Space Flight Center; **Elliott Krefetz**, formerly of Boston University; and **Robert G. Hewitt**, of the University of Sydney, Australia.

Neil Bartlett of the University of California, Los Angeles, has received the Kirkwood Medal for 1969. Bartlett, who was the first to synthesize a noble-gas compound (xenon fluoroplatinate), received the medal 17 Nov. The award is sponsored jointly by the Yale University chemistry department and the New Haven section of the American Chemical Society; among previous recipients are four Nobel-prize winners.

City College of the City University of New York has awarded one of 17 "Medals for Outstanding Achievement" to alumnus **Alvin Radkowsky**, who served as chief scientist in the Office of Naval Reactors, Atomic Energy Commission, under Vice Admiral Hyman G. Rickover.

vice-president and director of the acoustical and electromechanical research laboratory at the RCA David Sarnoff Research Center in Princeton, N. J. A former president of the Acoustical Society of America, Olson holds more than 100 patents; he has helped develop microphones, mag-