

Society officers installed during Chicago meeting

Lewis M. Branscomb (IBM Corp, Armonk, N.Y.) became the Vice-President Elect of The American Physical Society in February, when the Board of Tellers report was accepted by Council at its meeting in Chicago. George E. Pake (Xerox Corp, Palo Alto, Calif.) succeeded to the office of President, and Norman A. Ramsey (Harvard University) will serve this year as Vice-President.

William F. Brinkman (Bell Laboratories), Nina Byers (University of California, Los Angeles) and David A. Lind (University of Colorado) won the election for councillors-at-large and Morton Hamermesh (University of Minnesota) was declared chairman-elect of the Nominating Committee.

Elections were held during the Council meeting for the Publications Committee. The following will serve staggered terms, as mandated by the recently adopted Constitution and Bylaws of the Society (see the *APS Bulletin*, January): David Lazarus (University of Illinois), through 1978; William P. Slichter (Bell Laboratories) and Daniel W. Miller (University of Indiana), both through 1979; and Maurice M. Shapiro (Naval Research Lab, Washington, D.C.), through 1980.

Henry Ehrenreich (Harvard University), Ernest M. Henley (University of Washington), Sam B. Treiman (Princeton University) and Lind were elected to two-years on the Nominating Committee.

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An informal moment at the APS Chicago meeting—from left to right, Pake, Fowler and Ramsey.

search Center, Yorktown Heights, N.Y.) will serve as chairman-elect of the Panel on Public Affairs this year and, in 1978, he will succeed Herman Feshbach (Massachusetts Institute of Technology) as POPA chairman. New members of POPA are Bernard L. Cohen (University of Pittsburgh), Milan D. Fiske (GE Research and Development Center, Schenectady, N.Y.), John S. Toll (State University of New York, Stony Brook), Gunther K. Wertheim (Bell Laboratories) and Herbert York (University of California, San Diego)—each will serve

a three-year term as a Panel member.

W. W. Havens Jr and Joseph A. Burton were re-elected Executive Secretary and Treasurer, respectively. They, along with Pake and Ramsey, will serve on the Executive Committee during 1977. These elected members will also serve: Elizabeth U. Baranger (University of Pittsburgh), William A. Fowler (California Institute of Technology), immediate past-President of the APS, George H. Vineyard (Brookhaven), Feshbach and G. King Walters (Rice University), Publications Committee chairman.

Fellowships in industry established by the APS

The APS Council has approved the establishment of the American Physical Society Industrial Postdoctoral Fellowship Program and allocated funds in support of the first year of operation. The program is designed to broaden the interaction between physicists and industry and to open new opportunities for physicists in the US. Two Fellowships will be awarded this Fall to qualified physicists for work in industries where relatively few PhD physicists have been employed until now.

Norman A. Ramsey, APS Vice-President, has been appointed chairman of the Selection Committee that will choose the Fellowship recipients. The deadline for

the 1977-78 APS Industrial Postdoctoral Fellowship Program was 31 March.

For more information, see the April

APS Bulletin, or contact Joseph A. Burton, Program Administrator, 335 East 45th Street, New York, N.Y. 10017. □

Career-obstacle survey

The American Physical Society, through its Committee on Professional Concerns, is collecting information on professional problems encountered by APS members. On the basis of this survey, the Society will decide if it can be helpful to members in ameliorating career obstacles and at the same time be consistent with the resource limitations and tax status of the Society.

Members who believe they are facing a career obstacle, such as job termination or inappropriate constraints on professional status or publications, are invited to describe

their situation. (The problem of finding a job is a concern of other committees of the APS and the American Institute of Physics.)

Letters should be sent to the APS Committee of Professional Concerns, 335 East 45th Street, New York, N.Y. 10017. All communications will be considered strictly confidential. Members who wish to discuss their problems with a Committee member in person may do so at the Washington Meeting—a special room has been set aside for such interviews in the Sheraton-Park Hotel on Tuesday 26 April, 9:30–11:30 am.