APS news

Society chooses Goldberger as new vice-president elect

Marvin L. Goldberger, Joseph Henry Professor of Physics at Princeton University, was named vice-president elect of The American Physical Society when the Council accepted the report of the Board of Tellers during its meeting in San Francisco.

Norman A. Ramsey, Higgins Professor of Physics at Harvard University, began his term as Society president at the close of the Annual Meeting. He succeeds George E. Pake, vice-president and director of research at the Xerox Corporation. Lewis M. Branscomb, vice-president and chief scientist at the International Business Machines Corporation, assumed the duties of vice-president of the APS.

Goldberger received his PhD from the University of Chicago and joined the faculty there in 1950. In 1957, he joined the faculty at Princeton as Higgins Professor of Mathematical Physics and served as chairman of the physics department from 1970 to 1976. He is perhaps best known for his work on the application of dispersion methods to a wide variety of problems in the weak and strong interactions among elementary particles.

Goldberger has been an adviser to a number of government agencies on national security and arms-control affairs and has served on the President's Science Advisory Committee from 1965 to 1969. He is a Fellow of the Society, of the American Academy of Arts and Sciences, of the American Association for the Advancement of Science and is a member of the National Academy of Sciences.

Goldberger, in his candidate's statement, called for programs within the Society that will allow it to take the initiative in identifying new problems presented by changing national and international affairs and in vigorously pursuing their solutions. He expects the Society to continue providing responsible advice to Congress and to the Executive Branch when asked. He will encourage the Society to institute programs at national meeting to review broad areas of physics for non-specialists and to promote public recognition and understanding of important current and historical developments in physics.

Lee Grodzins from the Massachusetts



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Institute of Technology, Gertrude Scharff-Goldhaber from Brookhaven National Laboratory and Mary Beth Stearns of the Ford Motor Company were elected to serve four-year terms as Councillors-at-large.

Grodzins received his PhD from Purdue University in 1954 and joined the faculty at MIT in 1959 after having held positions at Brookhaven and General Electric Research Laboratory. He has worked extensively on manpower problems since 1970 and has served on many human-resource committees for the Society, the National Research Council, the Department of Labor and the National Academy. He is a Fellow of the Society and of the American Academy of Arts and

Scharff-Goldhaber received her PhD in Munich in 1935 and joined the Brookhaven staff in 1950. She had held previous appointments at Imperial College, London and the University of Illinois. She is a member of the National Academy of Sciences, a Fellow of the Society and has served on many government, university, Academy and Society advisory panels and committees.

Stearns received her PhD from Cornell University in 1952. Before joining the staff of the Ford Research Laboratories in 1960 she held an appointment at Carnegie (Mellon) Institute of Technology and worked for the General Atomic Corporation. She is a Fellow of the Society and has been a participant in the APS Visiting Physicists Program since 1974.

B.S. Chandrasekhar, Perkins Professor

of Physics at Case Western Reserve University, will serve as vice-chairman of the Nominating Committee in 1978 and will succeed Morton Hamermesh of the University of Minnesota, the current chairman, in 1979.

The Council also elected the following members of the Society to statutory and standing committees of the Society:

Executive Committee (1-year term): George E. Pake (Xerox); Martin L. Blume (Brookhaven National Laboratory); Hans Frauenfelder (University of Illinois-Urbana); George Vineyard (Brookhaven), and G. King Walters (Rice University).

Publications Committee (3-year terms): Hans Frauenfelder; Al Wattenberg (University of Illinois-Urbana).

Nominating Committee (2-year terms): Herman Feshbach (MIT); George E. Pake: Francis M. Pipkin (Harvard University), and Myriam O. Sarachik (City College of CUNY).

Panel on Public Affairs (3-year terms): Harvey Brooks (Harvard University). vice-chairman; Elizabeth U. Baranger (University of Pittsburgh); Bernard R. Cooper (University of West Virginia); Vernon Ehlers (Calvin College); Vera M. Kistiakowsky (MIT), and Tony Maxworthy (USC).

Audit Committee: William Brinkman (Bell Labs), chairman; David Lind (University of Colorado); Marshall Rosenbluth (Institute for Advanced Study).

Reminder: deadline 15 March

Applications for the 1978-79 Congressional Scientist Fellowships and for the 1978-79 Industrial Postdoctoral Fellowships are due in the APS New York Office by 15 March.

Registrations for either of the two APS Short Courses to be held in conjunction with the March meeting in Washington are also due. The Division of High Polymer Physics is offering a course entitled "Selected Topics in Polymer Physics", and the Committee on Professional Concerns is offering a course "Professional Career Development." See the January issue of the Bulletin of The American Physical Society for program and course descriptions, registration blanks and housing information. Contact: American Physical Society, 335 E. 45th St., N.Y., N.Y. 10017. Telephone: 682 7341.