

Atoms For Peace Award" are found during any year, the sum at the disposal of the memorial fund is to be used that year "for scholarships and fellowships most likely to contribute to the advancement of the new science of peaceful application of atomic energy".

**Fellowships** for the academic year 1956-57 that are administered or recommended by the National Research Council of the National Academy of Sciences include the following: American Cancer Society Postdoctoral Fellowships in Cancer Research, American Chemical Society Petroleum Research Fund Postdoctoral Fellowships, British American Exchange Postdoctoral Fellowships in Cancer Research, James Picker Foundation Postdoctoral Fellowships in Radiological Research, and Merck Senior Postdoctoral Fellowships in the Natural Sciences. These fellowships provide special opportunities for advanced study and training in fundamental research. They are intended for young men and women of unusual promise and ability, in the early stages of preparation for an investigative career. Selections and recommendations for the awards are made by appropriate committees and boards appointed by the Academy—Research Council. The annual basic stipend for postdoctoral fellowships is \$3800, with additional allowances for dependents, to a maximum of \$4850. British American Exchange Fellows studying in Great Britain receive an annual stipend of \$1500, while the Merck Senior Fellowships normally carry a stipend of \$6000, but will be set individually for each Fellow. Applications for all fellowships must be postmarked on or before December 1, 1955. For additional information address: The Fellowship Office, National Academy of Sciences, National Research Council, 2101 Constitution Avenue, N.W., Washington 25, D. C.

During the year June 1956 to June 1957, the Office of Naval Research will continue its modest program in support of basic research in astronomy and astrophysics. As in past years, an Advisory Committee of seven astronomers nominated by the Council of the American Astronomical Society will aid the ONR in evaluating proposals received. At present the membership of this committee is as follows: O. C. Wilson (chairman), B. J. Bok, J. W. Evans, G. C. McVittie, A. B. Meinel, J. J. Nassau, and K. Aa. Strand.

Proposals for research to be undertaken during the year 1956-1957 should be addressed to the Chief of Naval Research, Department of the Navy, Washington 25, D. C., Attention: Code 430. Ten copies will be required and, if possible, a letter of approval from the institution at which the work will be performed. They should be received not later than December 15, 1955, in order to be considered at the next meeting of the ONR-NRC Advisory Committee early in 1956.

## Society Officers

The Physics Division of the American Society for Engineering Education has elected the following officers for 1955-56: Chairman, D. H. Loughridge (Northwestern University); Vice Chairman, N. H. Frank (Massa-

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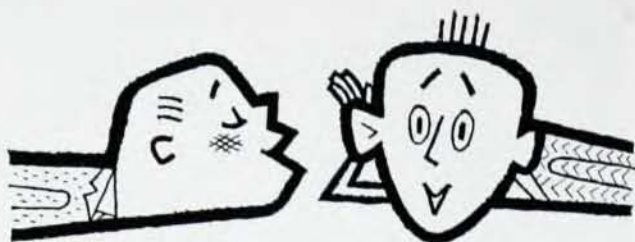
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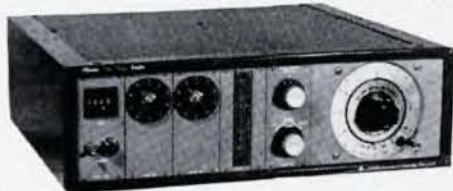
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**The Southern California Section** of the American Association of Physics Teachers has elected the following officers for 1955-56: President, Julius Sumner Miller (El Camino College); Secretary-Treasurer, Thomas Neal Wilson (El Camino College); Vice President for Colleges and Universities, Albert Baez (University of Redlands); Vice President for Junior Colleges, Paul Odell (Compton College); and Vice President for High Schools, Norman Dille (La Habra High School). F. E. Deloume (El Camino College) was elected Chairman of the High School Physics Test Committee.

**This year's officers** of the Indiana Section of the AAPT are: President, Francis E. Throw (Wabash College); President Elect, R. W. Lefler (Purdue University); Secretary, H. Earl Martin (Hanover College); and Regional Representative, I. Walerstein (Purdue).

**Officers of the Texas Section of AAPT for 1955 are:** Chairman, J. G. Potter (Texas A & M College); Vice Chairman, T. N. Hatfield (University of Houston); and Directors, F. C. McDonald (Southern Methodist University) and C. C. Schmidt (Texas Technological College).

**The Seventh General Assembly** of the International Council of Scientific Unions, convened August 9-13 in Oslo, Norway, elected Lloyd V. Berkner as its new president. Dr. Berkner, who is president of Associated Universities, Inc., headed the nine-man United States delegation to the ICSU General Assembly. Other officers of ICSU elected or re-elected at Oslo are: K. S. Krishnan (India) and P. Lejay (France), vice presidents; E. Herbays (Belgium), treasurer; A. V. Hill (United Kingdom), secretary general; B. Lindblad (Sweden), retiring president; V. A. Engelhardt (USSR) and A. Stoll (Switzerland), elected members of the bureau. During the Oslo meeting, ICSU accepted the invitation of the United States to convene the Eighth General Assembly in Washington, D. C., in 1958 as guests of the National Academy of Sciences. Other actions included election of the USSR to membership in ICSU, provision for the appointment of a special committee to plan a symposium on the organization of international science to be held at the time of the next General Assembly, and authorization for the appointment of a scientific committee to investigate the hazards of radiation. ICSU has offered its scientific cooperation in a similar study proposed in the United Nations.

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The Polish Academy of Sciences has announced the establishment of a Nuclear Research Institute under