

employees under the company's "corporate alumnus" program, and assistance in providing equipment for instructional purposes.

Publications

A comprehensive guide to the literature of five important years of transistor development has been compiled under the direction of Alan R. Krull, librarian of the Technological Institute Library at Northwestern. Reprinted from the Transactions of the Institute of Radio Engineer's Professional Group on Electron Devices in August 1954, *Transistors and Their Applications: A Bibliography, 1948-1953*, is available free of charge upon request to the Technological Institute Library, Northwestern University, Evanston, Illinois.

A directory of commercial and college testing laboratories, successor to the National Bureau of Standards' Miscellaneous Publication M 187 which appeared in 1947, has been published by the American Society for Testing Materials. The 48-page directory lists the locations of 278 industrial laboratories equipped and prepared to undertake testing on a commercial or fee basis. Laboratories of 86 colleges prepared to do testing are also listed. Copies may be purchased for \$1.00 each from the American Society for Testing Materials, 1916 Race Street, Philadelphia 3, Pennsylvania.

William W. Stifler, emeritus professor of physics at Amherst College in Massachusetts, died on December 2, 1954, at the age of seventy. Professor Stifler graduated from Shurtleff College, Alton, Illinois, in 1902 and received his doctor's degree in physics from the University of Illinois in 1911. During a full half-century of teaching, Professor Stifler taught at Ewing College, the University of Illinois, and at Columbia University before going to China in 1917 as head of the physics department and dean of the premedical school at Peking Union Medical College. He subsequently served as visiting professor of physics at Canton Christian College (1922-23), after which he returned to the United States for a year's research at Harvard followed by a year spent as acting professor of physics at Williams College. He went to Amherst College in 1925 as associate professor, became a full professor in 1931, and retired in 1952 after having served for 29 years as a member of the Amherst faculty. He was a fellow of the American Physical Society and a member of the American Association of Physics Teachers and of the Optical Society of America.

Henry E. Lawrence, emeritus professor of physics of the University of Rochester and head of the Rochester physics department from 1903 to 1934, died on December 19th at the age of ninety. An early specialist in high-frequency electrical phenomena, he was named associate professor at Rochester in 1895, became a full professor in 1901, and retired in 1934. Professor Lawrence was a fellow of the American Physical Society.

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