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We hear that..

Donald H. Anderson has been appointed assistant superintendent of the industrial laboratory at Kodak Park Works of Eastman Kodak Co., Rochester, N. Y. He was formerly in charge of the laboratory's spectroscopy section.

Stanley S. Ballard, research physicist at the University of California's Scripps Institution of Oceanography, has been elected president of the International Commission of Optics, an affiliated commission of the International Union of Pure and Applied Physics.

Jesse W. Beams, chairman of the University of Virginia physics department, has been awarded the John Scott Medal and Premium (\$1000) by the City of Philadelphia, which administers the supporting trust fund for the 140-year-old award. Presentation was made in Washington, D. C., on April 27th at the banquet of the American Physical Society.

Bruce H. Billings, director of research of Baird Associates, Inc., Cambridge, Mass., has been named the firm's general manager.

Robert S. Bray, deputy chief of the Technical Information Division in the Library of Congress since 1950, has been named chief of the division.

The following have joined the staff at Brookhaven National Laboratory: physics department, John L. Brown, Kirk McVoy, Michael J. Moravcsik, R. Ronald Rau, Gen Shirane; nuclear engineering department, Seymour J. Adler, Joe G. Y. Chow, Charles L. Feldman, Leonard Galanter, Paul J. Nicholson, Allen J. Weiss, Clarence B. Whims; reactor department, George Demirjian; instrumentation and health physics department, Clifford J. Konnerth, Francis X. Rizzo.

Walter R. J. Brown, research physicist in the color photography department of the Eastman Kodak Co. Research Laboratory, Rochester, N. Y., was awarded the Adolph Lomb Medal of the Optical Society of America on April 6th at the Society's meeting in Philadelphia. The medal, given no more often than once every two years "to a young man less than age thirty for noteworthy contributions to optics", was established by the Optical Society in honor of its first treasurer. Dr. Brown was cited for his studies of the capabilities of human observers to distinguish small color differences.

E. U. Condon and J. deBoer will be visitors at the University of Wisconsin this summer. Condon will conduct a seminar in solid state physics and will lecture on quantum mechanics and deBoer will lecture on low-temperature physics, statistical mechanics, order-disorder phenomenon, and the thermodynamics of irreversible processes.

The following physicists have joined the staff of The Johns Hopkins University Applied Physics Laboratory:

Raymond H. Cramer, Samuel A. Elder, Michael J. Lun, John G. Parker, and Ludolph F. Welanetz.

D. B. Duncan has been appointed assistant chief of the guidance section of Autonetics, a division of North American Aviation, Inc., Downey, Calif.

Donald L. Fauser and Edwin R. Kolb have joined the research staff of Harris-Seybold Co., Cleveland.

Charles G. Ferrari, technical director of the J. R. Short Milling Company, Chicago, Ill., has been elected a vice president of the company.

Hans P. R. Frederikse has been appointed chief of the solid state physics section of the atomic and radiation physics division at the National Bureau of Standards.

The following physicists have joined the staff of Los Alamos Scientific Laboratory: Lester K. Goodwin, Jasper A. Jackson, Jr., Sidney Singer, and Paul P. Whalen.

Ernest A. Keller has been appointed director of research at Panellit, Inc., Skokie, Ill.

George E. Kimball of Columbia University will join the staff of Arthur D. Little, Inc., Cambridge, Mass., on July 1st as science advisor.

Leonard S. Kisslinger of Indiana University has been appointed instructor in physics at Western Reserve University, Cleveland, Ohio.

Norbert J. Kreidl, chemical research director of Bausch & Lomb Optical Co., served during March with a US Air Force mission to England and Scotland.

Arthur C. Menius, Jr., professor of physics at North Carolina State College, has been named special assistant to the college's dean of engineering.

Walter J. Merz, formerly of Bell Telephone Laboratories, has joined the research staff of RCA's David Sarnoff Research Center, Princeton, N. J.

Ralph T. Overman, chairman of the Oak Ridge Institute of Nuclear Studies Special Training Division, has received one of the first annual Meritorious Achievement Awards of Kansas State Teachers College, of which he is an alumnus.

Paul Rosenberg, president of the consulting firm of Paul Rosenberg Associates, Mount Vernon, N. Y., has received the Talbert Abrams Award of the American Society of Photogrammetry.

R. Smoluchowski, of the Carnegie Institute of Technology, returns to Pittsburgh next month from the University of Paris, where he has spent the year as a visiting professor of physics. While in Paris he has been teaching a course in solid-state physics at the Sorbonne and conducting research at the Ecole Normale Supérieure. During October he attended the 100th anniversary celebration of the Federal Institute of Technology in Zurich as a representative of the American Institute of Physics.

Charles D. Swartz of Johns Hopkins University and Valter E. Pilcher of Brookhaven National Laboratory will join the physics department of Union College, Schenectady, N. Y., on September 1st.

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