

Personals

1926

ROY DIXON, general manager of the Stauffer Chemical Company's fertilizer division, has now been made vice president of the company, with headquarters in San Francisco.

1928

NICOLAI K. SENATOROFF, supervisor of technical services for the Pacific Lighting Gas Supply Co., retired in December after more than 35 years with the Pacific Lighting system.

A one-time lieutenant in the Russian Imperial Army, he was forced to retreat to China after the collapse of the Russian White Army. He came to the United States and was graduated from Caltech in 1928. That same year he joined the Southern California Gas Company, an affiliate of Pacific Lighting Gas Company, as an assistant chemist.

1935

NORWOOD L. SIMMONS, MS, is now general manager of the West Coast division of Eastman Kodak's motion picture sales department. He has been with the company since 1937, and was formerly manager of engineering services in the Hollywood office. The Simmonses and their five children live in Pasadena.

1937

CARL F. J. OVERHAGE, PhD, director of the Lincoln Laboratory at MIT for the past seven years, has asked to be relieved of this assignment in order to initiate and direct a long range program for the application of the principles and methods of information processing to library operation. He is still professor of engineering, a rank he has held at MIT since 1961. The ultimate objective of his new research is to design a library of science and engineering which could be put into operation at MIT between 1970 and 1975.

1946

CDR. WILLIAM C. WILBURN, AE '47, is currently on duty in Paris as a member of the staff of the United States Delegation to NATO.

1949

RAFAT MIRZA, MS, according to information just received by the Institute, died after a brief illness on his 35th birthday on August 5, 1961. He had been working since 1960 in the biophysics section of the I.C.L. Akers Research Laboratories in Welwyn, England.

Raf was born in Hyderabad, India, and received 1st Class Honours in chemistry in 1946 from Madras University. After receiving his MS from Caltech in 1949, he joined St. Catherines Society in Oxford, England, and began work on the reduction of heterocyclic substances. He received his PhD in 1951 and returned to India, where he worked at the Central Laboratories for Scientific and Industrial Research in Hyderabad for about a year. After about six months in Zurich he crossed the Atlantic again to take up a research fellowship at Harvard. He spent another year in America as a postdoctoral fellow at Wayne University in Detroit, and then went to England in 1955 to join Imperial Chemical Industries Ltd., at Manchester, as a research chemist.

Raf was an excellent horseman and played a good deal of polo. A skilled gardener, he reared many types of unusual plants. Photography was another of his hobbies, as was flying, aero-modeling, walking and climbing. He was married in 1956 and his wife survives him.

1951

ROBERT G. ADLER is now a research chemist at the North American Aviation Science Center in Canoga Park. He was married last November to Marilyn Canfield, in Upland, California.

1957

LT. COL. GEORGE F. BABITS, director of science and assistant for propulsion at Edwards AFB in California, is the author of *Thermodynamics*, an undergraduate-level textbook published last year by Allyn & Bacon Inc., Boston, Mass.

ALAIN M. A. CHAVEREBIERE DE SAL, MS, Ingenier Principal du Genie Maritime, is head of the technical section of the programming center of the French Navy. He was married in 1959 and has a daughter.

1963

JAMES M. PETERSON, PhD, is now a research chemist at the Chemstrand Research Center in Durham, N. C.

DONALD F. JENSEN, MS, is now associate engineer in the advanced technology department of the IBM Corporation in Endicott, N. Y.

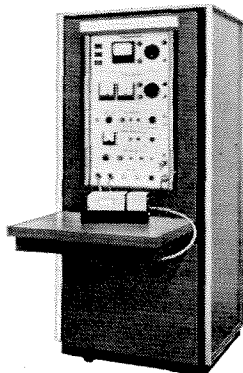
GEORGE SEIELSTAD, PhD, is on the staff of the Geophysical Institute at the University of Alaska. ED GAUSS '54, who sends along this information, says that "George is learning to fly so as to enhance his ability to hunt moose. His appointment brings to three the number of Caltech men at the Geophysical Institute - the others are CARL BENSON, '60, and myself. George is also teaching in the physics department."

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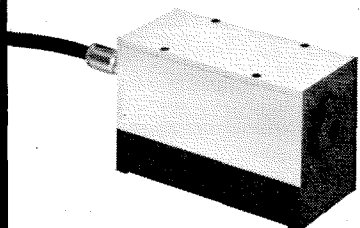
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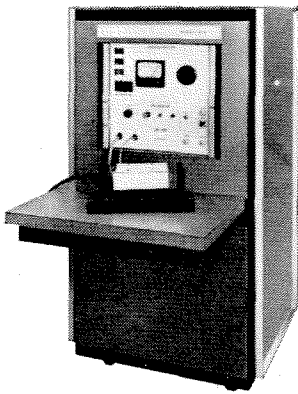
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