

Association Affairs

Paul E. Klopsteg Retires as Treasurer; William T. Golden Elected to the Post

Paul E. Klopsteg has served the AAAS with generosity and distinction. His devotion has spanned more than 20 years of service to the Board of Directors, including his tenure in 1959 as president. The 50th anniversary of his AAAS membership passed in 1962.

This year Paul Klopsteg insisted that the Board of Directors replace him as the Association's treasurer, a post he has held for the last 6 years. This we have done, but with a sadness tempered only by the knowledge of the added time he will have with Amanda, his lovely wife, at their beautiful country home on Apple Tree Lane in Glenview, Illinois.

Paul was born in Minnesota in 1889, and graduated from the University of Minnesota with a B.S. in electrical engineering in 1911. After his marriage to Amanda Toedt in 1914, he continued at Minnesota to the completion of his Ph.D. in 1916, and an associate professorship in physics in 1917.

During his long and exemplary career as teacher, engineer, scientist, and administrator, Paul served government, industry, and the university community. In World War I he committed himself to the Ordnance Department of the U.S. Army, and in World War II he gave his services to the Office of Scientific Research and Development. He had long and practical service to industry, between these wars, as president or director of the Central Scientific Company.

I know him best and am most deeply indebted to him for his brilliant work as a supporter of the growth of the atmospheric sciences, earlier as a member and then as chairman of the National Academy of Sciences' Committee on Atmospheric Science, later as associate director of the National Science Foundation, and still later as trustee of the University Corporation for Atmospheric Research.

This account only hints at Paul Klopsteg's varied talents. He is a world-renowned authority on archery, including details of design of bows and crossbows, both ancient and modern. He is an expert on gems and the polishing of semiprecious stones. He is an inventor of many scientific instruments, and an expert on the design and use of instruments and accurate mechanisms. He is an articulate proponent of the effective social use of science, and a productive fount of wisdom about the ways to achieve prompt and effective practical application of basic scientific advances. He has won medals and citations from government, industry, and the universities.

The AAAS owes a deep debt to him for his long years of dedication as member, officer, and devoted proponent of higher aims and accomplishments for the Association. He was a framer of the clarion call to service of science in the Arden House Statement of 1951 which set new goals for the AAAS. His membership will continue, and the Board will not hesitate to call upon his advice. But we shall miss his wise and pungent counsel as our Treasurer, and, thus, as the protector and manager of our financial resources.

The precedents set for the new treasurer of the Association are impressively high. Our new treasurer, William T. Golden, is a man to match them. Like Klopsteg, Bill Golden has served government, industry, and the universities. Born in 1909, Mr. Golden is a graduate of the University of Pennsylvania and attended the Harvard Graduate School of Business Administration. He has broad professional experience in investment and banking and a deep and abiding interest in science and its social uses.

His service to government has been extensive and significant. He served as Assistant to the Commissioner of the

Atomic Energy Commission during its critical early years. He was a special adviser to the President of the United States, dealing with the various problems of scientific policy and with presidential scientific advisory functions. This assignment led to the formation of the President's Science Advisory Committee, and included a role in the selection of the first director of the National Science Foundation and the first members of the National Science Board.

Mr. Golden's public service includes innumerable tasks for universities, hospitals, research institutes, defense-related nonprofit organizations, and for organizations devoted to international understanding.

In the AAAS, Mr. Golden has served on the Committee on Public Understanding of Science and on the Committee on Investment and Finance.

Those who have known Bill Golden and his predecessor, Paul Klopsteg, are gratified by the high mutual esteem felt by the two. I am personally deeply grateful that a man with Bill Golden's depth of understanding of science and with his dedication to the realization of its potential good for mankind, has agreed to assume the challenges so ably surmounted by Paul Klopsteg during his service. The Association's treasury is in superbly competent hands.

WALTER ORR ROBERTS
Chairman, AAAS Board of Directors

Forthcoming Events

September

22-26. International **Simulation and Training** Conf., Montreal, Canada. (W. I. Marble, SAE Hq., Meetings Manager, 2 Pennsylvania Plaza, New York 10001)

23-25. **Physics and Nondestructive Testing**, 9th annual, Chicago, Ill. (W. J. McGonnagle, Symp. Coordinator, P.O. Box 554, Elmhurst, Ill. 60126)

24-26. IEEE **Ultrasonics** Symp., St. Louis, Mo. (D. I. Bolef, Inst. of Electrical and Electronics Engineers, Ultrasonics Symp., Dept. of Physics, Washington Univ., St. Louis 63130)

26-3. American Acad. of **General Practice**, Philadelphia, Pa. (M. F. Cahal, The Academy, Volker Blvd. at Brookside, Kansas City, Mo. 64112)

28-1. Society of **Petroleum Engineers of AIME**, 44th annual, Denver, Colo. (J. R. Dempsey, Northern Natural Gas Co., P.O. Box 308, Omaha, Neb. 68102)

29-1. International Conf. on **Bioelectrical Impedance**, New York, N.Y. (S. E. Marovich, The Conference, 1150 NW 14th St., Miami, Fla. 33136)

29-3. American Soc. of **Photogram-**