partment to the White House. In the weeks following the election, however, Flanigan was elbowed out of his keystone position in energy matters by John Ehrlichman, the Domestic Council's powerful chief of staff. Ehrlichman thereupon established himself as the nominal head of a White House triumvirate on energy policy that also includes Henry Kissinger, the President's chief foreign policy adviser, and Secretary of the Treasury George P. Shultz, the new supercabinet's economic czar. With Flanigan's star in apparent descent, other, unidentified, White House staffers assumed a role in writing the energy message; it is no longer certain that the final version will reflect Akins' months of work.

Further complicating the new order, Secretary of Agriculture Earl L. Butz, the supercabinet's counselor for natural resuorces, is emerging as a man to be reckoned with in matters of energy policy. The lines of authority between these two foci of power—Butz and the triumvirate—are unclear even within executive circles of the White House, although it is generally presumed that Butz will act as a "coordinator" of energy policy among federal agencies and that the Erlichman-Shultz-Kissinger group will be the final arbiter of policy.

Whether the latter is yet functioning in this capacity is open to question, what with Kissinger vacationing in Florida and Shultz immersed in the current monetary crisis. But there are signs of life. For example, the triumvirate has begun hiring a special energy staff, headed by one Charles J. DiBona, an engineer with a master's degree in economics, who formerly directed the Center for Naval Analyses, a small private think tank with close ties to Navy.

For all of this, the expectation in Washingon is that the energy message will propose few if any radical departures from current policies and no new boost for R & D beyond that announced in the 1974 budget.—ROBERT GILLETTE.

APPOINTMENTS

Soberon Guillermo, president, National Academy of Medicine, Mexico, to president, National University of Mexico. . . . Eliot Stellar, director, Institute of Neurological Sciences, University of Pennsylvania, to provost of the university. . . . Arnold V. Wolf, head,

physiology department, University of Illinois College of Medicine, to dean, Graduate College at the university. . . . At Stanford University Medical Center: Daniel D. Federman, associate dean, Harvard Medical School, to chairman, medicine department and A. Ralph Rosenthal, assistant professor of surgery at Stanford, to head, ophthalmology division. . . . Kenneth P. Goodrich, vice president and provost, Macalester College, to dean, College of Arts and Science, Syracuse University. . . . Stuart W. Tanenbaum, professor of microbiology, Columbia University, to dean, School of Biology, Chemistry, and Ecology, College of Environmental Science and Forestry, State University of New York. . . . John H. Horvat, associate dean, School of Education, Indiana University, to dean, College of Education, North Texas State University. . . . William M. Risen, Jr., associate professor of chemistry, Brown University, to chairman, chemistry department at the university. . . . Richard F. Schwartz, chairman, Graduate Group in Electrical Engineering, University of Pennsylvania, to head, electrical engineering department, Michigan Technological University College of Engineering. . . . Walter S. Owen, professor of materials science, Northwestern University, to head, metallurgy and materials science department, Massachusetts Institute of Technology. . . . James McGrath, professor of physics, Kent State University, to associate provost and dean, Graduate School and research at the university. . . . Marvin A. Iverson, chairman of psychology, Adelphi University, to dean, Graduate School of Arts and Sciences at the university. . . . Harry Prystowsky, chairman, obstetrics and gynecology department, University of Florida College of Medicine, Gainesville, to provost, The Milton S. Hershey Medical Center and dean, College of Medicine, Pennsylvania State University. . . . G. Robert Ross, vice president. University of Nebraska, to chancellor, University of Arkansas, Little Rock. . . . Stephen R. Mitchell, dean, College of Sciences and Arts, Washington State University, to vice president for academic affairs, Western Michigan University. . . . Robert Day, professor of preventive medicine, University of Washington, to dean, School of Public Health and Community Medicine at the university. . . . Abdallah M. Isa, assistant professor of immunology, Meharry Medical College, to director, immunobiology division at the college.

RECENT DEATHS

- **A. P. Beutel**, 80; director emeritus, The Dow Chemical Company; 27 November.
- **J.** Werner Braun, 58; professor of microbiology, Institute of Microbiology, Rutgers University; 19 November.
- **J. Douglas Colman**, 62; former vice president, Johns Hopkins Hospital and University; 8 December.

Bion R. East, 87; professor emeritus of dental public health practice, Columbia University; 28 November.

Louis Hausman, 82; professor emeritus of clinical medicine, Cornell Medical College; 7 December.

Frederick L. Hisaw, 81; professor emeritus of zoology, Harvard University; 3 December.

J. B. Johnson, 64; professor of medicine, Howard University; 16 December.

Rafi Khan, 54; professor of psychology, Northeastern Illinois University; 3 December.

Alex E. Krill, 44; professor of ophthalmology, Pritzker School of Medicine, University of Chicago; 8 December.

Gabriel Lester, 52; professor of biology, Reed College; 26 November.

Laurence D. Lockie, 73; former professor of pharmacy, State University of New York, Buffalo; 12 November.

Sterling V. Mead, 84; former professor of oral surgery, Georgetown University; 9 December.

James A. Peters, 50; curator of reptiles and amphibians, National Museum of Natural History, Smithsonian Institution; 18 December.

Yale Rabinowitz, 54; associate professor of medicine, Loyola Medical School; 7 December.

Henry E. Robinson, 61; senior research fellow, National Bureau of Standards; 4 December.

Francis F. Rosenbaum, 60; clinical professor of medicine, Medical College of Wisconsin; 7 November.

Erich M. Schlaikjer, 66; former professor of geology, Brooklyn College, City University of New York; 5 November.

Lincoln G. Smith, 60; visiting senior research physicist, Princeton University; 9 December.

Carl L. Stearns, 80; professor of astronomy, Wesleyan University; 28 November.

Wayne W. Wells, 80; retired professor of science, Southern Oregon College of Education; 10 November.