



## Well Done, Ted

We are all indebted to Ted Saad for his three years of tireless work as editor of our magazine.

It does not take more than a brief glance through these pages to see what an exhausting time-consuming job it must be to both edit and coordinate the material for such a highly technical and valuable publication.

Older members will recall that before Ted Saad volunteered his services, Al Beck and Bill Mumford combined their talents to put out previous issues. Al served as Chairman of the Paper Procurement Committee and Bill served as Chairman of the Publication Committee. When they were forced to resign the positions in 1954 because of the pressure of other business, Ted agreed to take over both jobs.

Ted accepted the satisfaction that goes with real accomplishment as his sole reward. Our publishing budget is presently based on the assumption that we will be able to publish this rather expensive periodical without paying staff salaries.

If it were not for members like Ted and Kiyo Tomiyasu, who succeeds him with this issue, we would indeed be hard pressed. We would be left with the unhappy choice of curtailing publication or increasing dues to hire a professional staff.

Obviously, the first alternative is out. To reduce publication would be to impede the flow of the life blood of our organization. Holding at most one or two meetings a year, as we do, we need the

TRANSACTIONS to keep in step with each other during the months in between.

As for the second alternative, I think we all agree that the dues are high enough.

Just how Ted was able to carry water on both shoulders for us for three years and still keep things humming at his research center, Sage Laboratories in Waltham, Mass., remains a mystery to me. And I'm sure Ted's wife, and their two daughters were not exactly crestfallen to learn that Ted had handed the reigns to Kiyo and was free to spend more time around the Saads' West Roxbury home.

An indication of how seriously Ted felt about the publishing work is his choice of Kiyo as his successor. Ted had decided to step down some time back but stayed on until he found a man who shared his enthusiasm for the important project.

So everything has turned out well. Ted, recently installed as our Vice-Chairman, has a bit more time for outside interests (that is, if he has any besides microwave theory and techniques).

We, in the group, can be thankful that the changeover took place so smoothly and that in Kiyo Tomiyasu, we have another double-duty man who can provide us with the same high quality we have grown accustomed to in our publications.

Ted, from all of us, our lasting thanks and best wishes. Kiyo, we only ask that you keep up the good work. You certainly have made a fine start.

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