

PGMTT News

1959 ANNUAL PGMTT MEETING

During the spring of 1958, a joint decision was reached by the Boston Chapter of the Institute of Radio Engineers and the Administrative Committee of the Professional Group on Microwave Theory and Techniques to hold the 1959 annual meeting in the Boston area.

During the summer, a Symposium Committee under the chairmanship of W. L. Pritchard, a Technical Program Committee under the chairmanship of Dr. Henry Riblet and various subcommittees were formed. Dr. Karl Willenbrock, a member of the Symposium Committee, Assistant Director of the Gordon McKay Laboratory at Harvard and Vice Chairman of the Boston Section of the IRE, was instrumental in obtaining the cooperation of Harvard University.

The committee members were as follows:

Symposium Committee

Chairman, W. Pritchard, Raytheon Company
P. Crandall, National Company
C. Faflick, Sylvania Electric Prods., Inc.
Finance, W. From, Ewen Knight Corporation

I. Goldstein, Raytheon Company
R. Jones, Harvard University
J. Reed, Raytheon Company
Technical Program, H. Riblet, Microwave Development Labs., Inc.
Publicity, R. Rivers, Aircom, Inc.
P. Rizzi, Ewen Knight Corporation
Local Arrangements, T. Saad, Sage Laboratories, Inc.
Asst. Chairman, H. Scharfman, Raytheon Company
K. Willenbrock, Harvard University

Technical Program Committee

Chairman, H. J. Riblet, Microwave Development Labs., Inc.
C. Faflick, Sylvania Electric Prods., Inc.
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The symposium was held at Paine Hall through the courtesy of Harvard University's Music Department, on June 1-3, 1959.

There were 7 technical sessions, including one evening session at the Cambridge

Electronic Accelerator, and a total of 43 papers were given. Ten of the papers were written by authors from educational institutions, 3 from research institutes, and 30 from commercial laboratories.

A banquet was held at Harkness Common on June 2, and featured addresses by Dean Harvey Brooks and Nobel Laureate, Professor Edward Purcell. Professor Purcell's address, "An Experiment in Communication," was concerned with the problem of communicating with an unknown, but hypothetically existing, race of intelligent beings in interstellar space.

The Microwave Prize for the best paper published in these TRANSACTIONS during the previous year was awarded to Dr. L. Goldstein, and Honorable Mentions were given, for the first time, to Dr. S. B. Cohn and Dr. H. E. D. Scovil.

Of the 685 people who attended the annual meeting, 530 were members of the IRE, 130 were nonmembers and 25 were students.

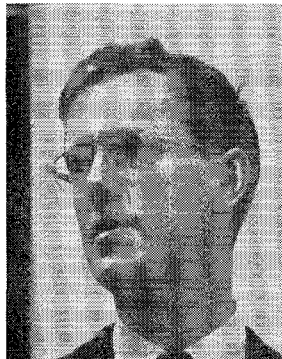
Because of the large attendance and the extensive use of Harvard University facilities, a surplus of over one thousand dollars remained. This money is returned to the Treasury of the MTT Professional Group to support the Group publications and other activities.



DEAN HARVEY BROOKS,
Harvard University



W. L. PRITCHARD,
Symposium Chairman



PROF. E. M. PURCELL



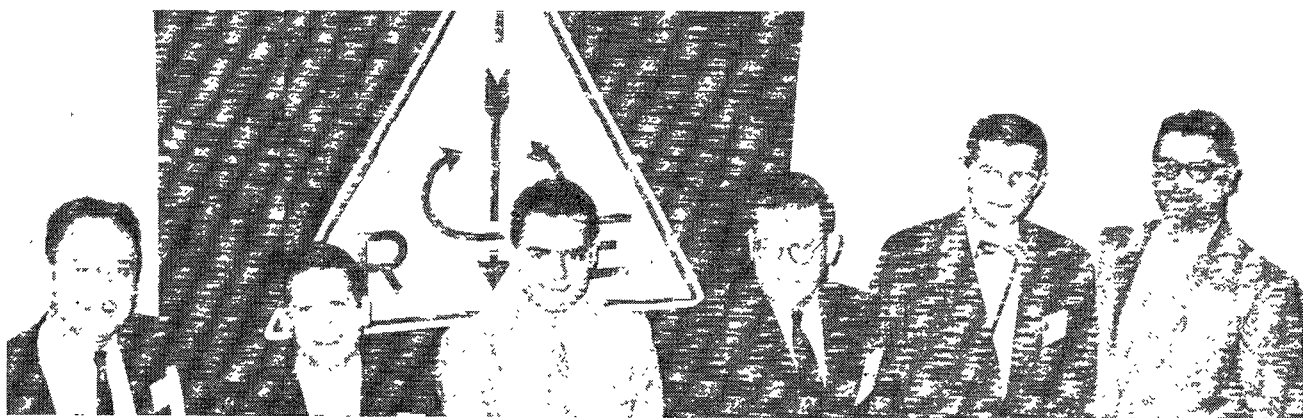
T. SAAD,
Chairman PGMTT



Seated at the banquet table from left to right: T. Saad, Mrs. Riblet, H. E. D. Scovil, Mrs. Brooks, E. M. Purcell, W. L. Pritchard, Dean H. Brooks, Mrs. Pritchard, S. B. Cohn, Mrs. Saad, and H. Riblet.



Among the attendees, above, left to right: A. Pomeroy, A. C. Beck, S. Rosenthal, W. W. Mumford, D. Fye, and E. Strumwasser



Left to right: I. Goldstein, J. Heller, N. Sakiotis, L. Swern, J. Cadheris, and N. Lippitz.



Intermission in front of Paine Hall.