

# Richter, Brotzen Take New Appointments

President Kenneth S. Pitzer recently announced new administration appointments as part of Rice's intention to strengthen and increase emphasis on graduate studies.

Dr. George Holmes Richter will be dean of graduate studies, and Dr. Franz R. Brotzen will be chairman of a newly-established Special Committee on Interdepartmental Research Grants and Contracts.

**THE NEW COMMITTEE**, which includes Drs. Alan J. Chapman, Professor of Mechanical Engineering, and Dr. Harold E. Rorschach Jr., Professor of Physics, will assist in the development of

interdisciplinary research grants and advise the President of any research proposals involving more than one department.

Dr. Richter, a graduate of Rice, began instructing in chemistry at Rice in 1931 and became Professor of Chemistry and chairman of the department in 1947. He was appointed Dean of the University in 1950.

Dr. Brotzen is Professor of the Mechanical Engineering. He is co-ordinator of interdepartmental research for the National Aeronautics and Space Administration under a grant for fundamental studies of solid materials.