

# The new Daniels' chairman moves in

Mr. Bernard Owens' battle for control of T. H. and J. Daniels, the Stroud engineering company, ended yesterday when he moved in as the new chairman.

He replaces Dr. Helen Daniels who became chairman only eight weeks ago, following the resignation of Mr. Donovan S. Robinson over a disagreement with the Daniels family.

Mr. Owens—who lives at Vatch House, near Stroud—is boss of Birmingham-based Unochrome International, which has now taken over the 128-year-old Stroud firm under a £844,000 deal.

## RESIGNED

Dr. Daniels—widow of managing director Mr. Lionel Daniels—has resigned from the board after ten years, together with another director, Mr. A. M. Bell.

Into the boardroom go two Unochrome directors,

Mr. N. B. Pursall and Mr. S. P. Holtorp.

Mr. B. W. Fisher, secretary of Daniels, now becomes secretary of Unochrome International.

Former Unochrome secretary Mr. W. J. Edwards moves on to the Unochrome Board.

Mr. Wilf Pereira, Daniels' publicity manager, takes on a similar job with Unochrome.

## PRODUCTION

There are now no members of the Daniels family left on the Stroud firm's board, but Mr. Peter and Mr. John Daniels work in



Retiring chairman Dr. Helen Daniels—"I wish Mr. Owens the best of luck."

the production side of the business.

The takeover battle for Daniels began in April with an offer from Leeds engineers Greenwood and Batley.

They eventually dropped their bid, leaving the running to Unochrome.

The Daniels board accepted Unochrome's last offer, but Dr. Daniels and other members of her family held out against it until last week.

Dr. Helen Daniels said last night: "It is rather sad to see the firm pass out of the family's hands after all these years, but we became a public company in 1961 and when you do that the family interests diminish considerably.