

NOTES

On Friday, December 27, there was held at the University of Pennsylvania the meeting of Section A of the Association for the Advancement of Science. At that time Professor Marston Morse of the Institute for Advanced Study gave his address as retiring Chairman of the Section. He spoke on *A mathematical theory of equilibrium with applications to minimal surfaces*. By special invitation Dr. C. G. Rossby of the United States Weather Bureau addressed the Section on *The mathematical problems in meteorology*. Papers read before Section A at these meetings were, by special arrangement, regarded as having been read before the Society by title. In this manner papers 61, 62, 84 and 90 of the report of the annual meeting were presented. About one hundred persons were present at the meetings.

Stanford University is celebrating its fiftieth anniversary during the year 1941. In this connection a larger than usual summer quarter program is planned. Professor G. T. Whyburn from the University of Virginia will give a course on Combinatorial Topology, Professor Einar Hille from Yale University a course on Selected Topics in Theory of Functions. During the summer, presumably in the first part of August, a two-day symposium is planned with conferences on Topology, Calculus of Probability and Statistics, Theory of Functions, and general subjects. The following speakers have been secured so far: E. T. Bell, H. F. Blichfeldt, Einar Hille, A. D. Michal, Jerzy Neyman, George Polya, G. T. Whyburn, Antoni Zygmund. The program will be announced later.

The National Council of Teachers of Mathematics held its twenty-first annual meeting in Atlantic City on February 21–22, 1941. Details of the program and places of meeting are given in the February issue of *The Mathematics Teacher*.

A Survey of Methods of Apportionment in Congress by Professor E. V. Huntington has recently been published. Copies can be obtained from the Superintendent of Documents, Washington, D. C. for ten cents each.

A plaque has recently been presented to Washington University by the United States Naval Academy in honor of William Chauvenet who was appointed professor of mathematics and astronomy at this University in 1852 and chancellor in 1862. The plaque is a replica of one at the Academy and it bears the inscription: "William Chauvenet,

Professor of Mathematics, United States Navy and President of the Academic Board from 1847 to 1850, largely through whose efforts and plan the Naval Academy was established and organized at Annapolis."

The Sylvester Medal of the Royal Society has been awarded to Professor G. H. Hardy of the University of Cambridge for his important contributions to pure mathematics.

Professor Abraham Cohen of Johns Hopkins University has been given the title of professor emeritus.

Professor R. A. Fisher of University College, London, will be visiting professor of experimental statistics at North Carolina State College during the summer session June 16–July 25, 1941.

Dr. A. D. Bradley of Hunter College has been promoted to an assistant professorship.

Dr. A. A. F. Brown has accepted a position in the statistical department of L. Bamberger and Company in Newark, New Jersey.

Dr. G. W. Brown has taken a position in the research department of R. H. Macy and Company of New York City.

Assistant Professor Gertrude M. Cox of Iowa State College has been appointed professor of experimental statistics and director of the statistical laboratory at North Carolina State College.

Mr. R. D. Dorsett of the University of Oklahoma has been promoted to an assistant professorship.

Mr. L. T. Dunlap of Pennsylvania State College has been promoted to an assistant professorship.

Assistant Professor E. J. Finan of the Catholic University of America has been promoted to an associate professorship.

Dr. H. C. Fryer of Kansas State College has been promoted to an assistant professorship.

Associate Professor Gordon Fuller of Alabama Polytechnic Institute has been promoted to a professorship.

Dr. Beatrice L. Hagen of Pennsylvania State College has been promoted to an assistant professorship.

Assistant Professor J. J. L. Hinrichsen of Iowa State College has been promoted to an associate professorship.

Assistant Professor F. H. Hodge of Purdue University has retired.

Dr. L. P. Hutchison of Indiana Technical College has been appointed to an assistant professorship at The Citadel, Charleston, South Carolina.

Dr. Fulton Koehler of the University of Minnesota has accepted a position in the actuarial department of the Northwestern National Life Insurance Company.

Dr. Szolem Mandelbrojt, formerly of the College of France, has been appointed visiting lecturer at the Rice Institute.

Dr. G. E. Moore of the University of Illinois has been promoted to an assistant professorship.

Dr. H. R. Phalen has been appointed to an associate professorship at the College of William and Mary.

Professor H. R. Pyle of Earlham College has been appointed to a professorship at Whittier College.

Associate Professor C. B. Read of the University of Wichita has been promoted to a professorship.

Dr. S. T. Sanders, Jr., of Delta State Teachers College has been appointed to a professorship at Southwestern Louisiana Institute.

Associate Professor I. M. Sheffer of Pennsylvania State College has been promoted to a professorship.

Assistant Professor D. T. Sigley of Kansas State College has been promoted to an associate professorship.

Assistant Professor S. B. Townes of the University of Oklahoma has been promoted to an associate professorship.

Assistant Professor G. C. Vedova of St. John's College has been appointed to an assistant professorship at the University of Maryland.

Dr. Henry Wallman of the Institute for Advanced Study has been appointed to an assistant professorship at the University of North Carolina.

Associate Professor Morgan Ward of the California Institute of Technology has been promoted to a professorship.

Dr. G. C. Webber of the University of Delaware has been promoted to an assistant professorship.

Professor Oscar Zariski of Johns Hopkins University is on leave of absence for 1940–1941 and is at Harvard as a visiting lecturer.

Dr. M. M. Day of the University of Illinois has been made an associate in mathematics.

The following appointments to instructorships are announced: University of California at Los Angeles: Dr. Ralph Byrne, Jr.; Columbia University: Dr. Walter Strodtt; Cornell University: Mr. N. G. Gunderson, Mr. R. R. R. Luckey; University of Dayton: Dr. K. C. Schraut; Georgia School of Technology: Mr. L. B. Williams; University of Illinois: Dr. R. S. Pate; Iowa State Teachers College: Dr. H. C. Trimble; Itasca Junior College: Dr. H. L. Olson; University of Kansas: Mr. L. R. Shobé; Northwestern University: Mr. H. E. Burns; Ohio State University: Dr. W. J. Schart; Oregon State College: Dr. P. C. Hammer; Rutgers University: Dr. J. H. Giese; University of Texas: Mr. J. R. Foote, Mr. H. J. Jones, Dr. A. M. Mood, Mr. I. C. Roberts; Trinity College, Washington, D. C.: Dr. Mary Varnhorn; Vermont Junior College: Mr. D. F. Johnson; University of Wichita: Mr. Edison Greer; University of Wisconsin: Dr. C. B. Smith; College of Wooster: Mr. M. P. Fobes.

The death on December 4, 1940 of Mr. E. H. Hayes, formerly mathematical tutor of New College, Oxford, at the age of eighty-six years has been reported.

The death of Dr. Myron Mathisson, formerly of the University of Warsaw, is reported in *Nature*.

Professor I. Schur of the University of Berlin died on January 10, 1941, in Tel Aviv.

Rev. Canon Alfred Young, formerly lecturer in mathematics in Selwyn College, Cambridge, died on December 19, 1940, at the age of sixty-seven years.

Dean W. C. Graustein of Harvard University died January 22, 1941. He had been a member of the Society since 1911. A more adequate notice will appear in a later issue.

Professor G. A. Knapp of Maryville College, Maryville, Tennessee, died in November, 1940.

Assistant Professor C. R. Wilson of Rutgers University died in July, 1940. He had been a member of the Society since 1929.