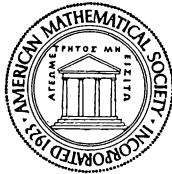


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## **PREFACE**

The second semicentennial volume contains brief treatises on eight representative subjects and a historical summary of American contributions to mathematics during the past fifty years. The treatises have no set form in common; the various subjects are dealt with as each author has thought best. Some are either chronological or contain many references to early contributors; others are concerned chiefly with recent developments. Not all subjects could be covered fully in either the treatises or the history. It is hoped, however, that this volume will serve both to reveal what has been accomplished in America since the founding of the Society, and also to acquaint mathematicians with current problems and research in many fields.

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