

NOTES

A colloquium on the theory of probability will be held at Geneva, Switzerland, October 11–16, 1937, under the auspices of the University of Geneva. This is one of a series of colloquia (Conférences Internationales) which have been held, for several years, at this university. The list of speakers includes the following: S. Bernstein, P. Cantelli, H. Cramér, E. L. Dodd, W. Feller, B. de Finetti, M. Fréchet, V. Glivenko, W. Heisenberg, E. Hopf, B. Hostinsky, C. Jordan, A. Kolmogoroff, P. Lévy, R. von Mises, J. Neymann, N. Obrechhoff, O. Onicescu, G. Pólya, E. Slutsky, J. F. Steffensen, H. Steinhaus, A. Wintner. The titles of the papers by Professors Dodd and Wintner are, respectively, *Certain coefficients of regression or trend associated with largest likelihood*, and *Distribution functions of sums of independent random variables*.

The Royal Academy of Sciences of Turin has elected as corresponding members Professor E. Bompiani, of the University of Rome, and Professor G. Krall, of the University of Naples.

Dr. Sydney Goldstein, lecturer in mathematics at the University of Cambridge, was elected a Fellow of the Royal Society of London at the meeting held on May 6, 1937.

Professor Paul Montel, of the Sorbonne, has been elected a member of the Section of Geometry of the Paris Academy of Sciences, in succession to the late Professor Edouard Goursat.

Among the delegates appointed by the United States Department of State to the Descartes Congress held in Paris, France, early in August, were Dean G. D. Birkhoff, chairman of the delegation, and Professors Arnold Dresden and L. C. Karpinski. The occasion was the three hundredth anniversary of the publication of Descartes' *Discourse on Method*.

At the dinner of the National Academy of Sciences held on April 27, 1937, the James Craig Watson Medal was awarded to Professor Emeritus E. W. Brown, of Yale University, for his work on lunar theory.

At the recent centennial celebration of Mount Holyoke College, the degree of doctor of science was conferred on Professor Anna P. Wheeler, of Bryn Mawr College.

The following have been appointed National Research Fellows in Mathematics for the year 1937–38: R. P. Boas, Jr., D. M. Dribin, Dorothy Manning, A. E. Taylor, C. B. Tompkins, H. S. Zuckerman. This list includes renewals.

Dr. F. W. Dresch has been appointed Florence Noble Travelling Fellow of the University of California.

Dr. L. A. Pipes has been appointed research fellow at the University of Wisconsin.

Dr. O. F. G. Schilling has been appointed Johnston Scholar at the Johns Hopkins University for 1937-38.

Associate Professor Amato, of the University of Messina, has been promoted to a professorship.

Associate Professor Cherubino, of the University of Pisa, has been promoted to a professorship.

Associate Professor Gugino, of the University of Palermo, has been promoted to a professorship.

Dr. Rudolf Iglisch has been appointed to an assistant professorship in mathematics at the Technical School of Aachen.

Dr. Alfred Klose has been appointed professor of applied mathematics and director of the institute for applied mathematics at the University of Berlin, in succession to Professor K. T. Vahlen.

Professor Hellmuth Kneser, of the University of Greifswald, has been appointed to a professorship at the University of Tübingen.

Dr. Gottfried Köthe has been appointed to an assistant professorship in mathematics at the University of Münster.

Dr. Wilhelm Maier has been appointed to an assistant professorship in mathematics at the University of Freiburg.

Associate Professor Maroni, of the University of Modena, has been promoted to a professorship.

Associate Professor Masotti, of the University of Milan, has been promoted to a professorship.

Associate Professor Mattioli, of the University of Catania, has been promoted to a professorship.

Dr. K. T. Vahlen, professor of applied mathematics at the University of Berlin, has been made an honorary professor at the University of Greifswald.

Dr. G. A. Baker has been appointed instructor in mathematics and assistant statistician at the Experiment Station, College of Agriculture, University of California.

Associate Professor J. P. Ballantine, of the University of Washington, has been promoted to a professorship.

The title of A. B. Dinwiddie Graduate Professor of Mathematics has been conferred upon Professor H. E. Buchanan, of Tulane University.

Dr. Scott Buchanan has been appointed dean of Saint John's College, Annapolis.

Dr. E. A. Cameron, of the University of North Carolina, has been promoted to an assistant professorship.

Acting Professor E. J. Camp, of Yankton College, has been appointed to an associate professorship at Macalester College, St. Paul.

Dr. Elizabeth M. Cooper has been appointed chairman of the mathematics department of Hunter College High School.

Dr. H. P. Doole, of the University of Nebraska, has been promoted to an assistant professorship.

Mr. E. D. Eaves, of the University of Tennessee, has been promoted to an assistant professorship.

Assistant Professor D. A. Flanders, of New York University, has been promoted to an associate professorship.

Dr. A. H. Fox, of Union College, has been promoted to an assistant professorship.

Dr. Israel Halperin has been appointed to a Benjamin Peirce Instructorship at Harvard University.

Mr. Ernest Hawkins, of the United States Naval Academy, Annapolis, has been promoted to an assistant professorship.

Professor Alfred Hume, of the University of Mississippi, who was reported, in the July issue of this Bulletin, page 463, to have retired with the title of professor emeritus, has informed the editors that this announcement is incorrect. He retired from the Chancellorship of the University in 1935, and is now Chancellor Emeritus and head of the department of mathematics, on full time.

Assistant Professor A. R. Jerbert, of the University of Washington, has been promoted to an associate professorship.

Associate Professor R. A. Johnson, of Brooklyn College, has been promoted to a professorship.

Professor Edward Kasner, of Columbia University, has been appointed to the Adrain Professorship of Mathematics.

Dr. S. C. Kleene, of the University of Wisconsin, has been promoted to an assistant professorship.

Assistant Professor C. I. Lubin, of the University of Cincinnati, has been promoted to an associate professorship.

Dr. S. W. McCuskey, of the Case School of Applied Science, has been promoted to an assistant professorship in mathematics and astronomy.

Professor H. B. MacDougall, of South Dakota State College, has been appointed acting head of the department of mathematics.

Mr. Roy MacKay has been appointed to an associate professorship at Teachers College, Silver City, N. M.

Dr. G. B. Price has been appointed to an assistant professorship at the University of Kansas.

Dr. E. J. Purcell, of the University of Arizona, has been promoted to an assistant professorship.

Dr. I. J. Schoenberg, of Colby College, has been promoted to an assistant professorship.

Professor W. T. Stratton, of Kansas State College, has been appointed head of the department of mathematics.

The following appointments to instructorships are announced: University of Arkansas: Dr. E. G. H. Comfort; Brooklyn College: Mr. Jack Wolfe; Case School of Applied Science: Dr. R. F. Rinehart; Harvard University: Mr. R. F. Clippinger, Mr. M. P. Fobes, Mr. A. D. Hestenes, Mr. D. T. McClay, Mr. H. E. Robbins, Mr. A. Spitzbart; University of Maryland: Dr. O. K. Sagen; University of Missouri: Dr. R. J. Michel; University of North Carolina: Dr. Nathan Jacobson; Oregon State Agricultural College: Dr. Henry Scheffé; Randolph Macon Woman's College: Dr. Virginia Modesitt, Miss E. R. Schneckenberger; University of Southern California: Dr. F. A. Butter, Jr.; Texas Technological College: Mrs. O. L. Miller, Mr. H. E. Woodward; Utah State Agricultural College: Dr. M. T. Bird; Wayne University: Dr. E. W. Paxson.

Dr. G. A. Maggi, formerly professor in the University of Milan and a member of the Royal Academy of the Lincei, died on June 12, 1937 at the age of eighty-one years. He was noted especially for his work on general conceptions in old and new mechanics.

Professor Emeritus Vittorio Martinetti, of the University of Messina, died on November 2, 1936 at the age of seventy-seven years.

Professor Adaligo Masoni, of the Engineering School of Naples, died on September 29, 1936 at the age of seventy-six years.

Professor R. D. Beetle, of Dartmouth College, died on July 9, 1937 at the age of fifty-one years. He had been a member of the Society for twenty-seven years.

Mr. Henry Moir, chairman of the finance committee and for many years president of the United States Life Insurance Company, died on June 8, 1937 at the age of sixty-six years.