
Appeal for Aid to Libraries

About a year ago the Council of the Society appointed a committee charged with recommending to the Council a policy for bringing to libraries which have been injured by the war such aid as it would be possible for the Society to give. This committee consists at present of Professors Garrett Birkhoff, H. E. Bray, Arnold Dresden, Will Feller, Gabor Szegő, and A. W. Tucker.

A great deal of time and thought has been spent in obtaining enough information concerning the status of mathematical libraries abroad to formulate such a policy, and in getting into contact with agencies, private and semi-governmental, which have been created for similar purposes. As a result of these efforts it has become clear that the need is very great, particularly for books and periodicals published during the years 1939 to 1946, and that the Society will have to call on its individual members for assistance.

Accordingly the Council adopted on April 24, 1946 the committee's recommendation that a notice be published in the Bulletin "asking members to send what books, journals, and reprints they care to contribute to a collection to be sent to devastated libraries."

It is on the basis of this authorization by the Council that the present appeal is made. Please send material to be contributed for this purpose, **prepaid by parcel post or express only**, and addressed as follows:

AMERICAN MATHEMATICAL SOCIETY

Butler Library, Columbia University

New York 27, N.Y.

FOR FOREIGN LIBRARIES

It is important that no part of this address be omitted.

Only material in good condition can be used for this purpose.

Contributions in cash should be made out to the American Mathematical Society and sent to the Society, 531 West 116th Street, New York 27, N.Y., with the notation "For Foreign Libraries."

OFFICIAL COMMUNICATIONS

MEETINGS OF THE SOCIETY

SUMMER MEETING: ITHACA, NEW YORK, August 20–23, 1946.

Abstracts must have been in the hands of Associate Secretary T. R. Hollcroft, American Mathematical Society, 531 West 116th St., New York 27, N. Y., not later than July 13. The Colloquium Lectures on *Topology of smooth manifolds* will be given by Professor Hassler Whitney. By invitation of the Committee to Select Hour Speakers for Annual and Summer Meetings, there will be an address by Professor J. L. Doob entitled *Probability in function space*. Professor M. H. Stone will deliver the retiring presidential address entitled *Some general principles of functional representation*.

PRINCETON, NEW JERSEY, November 2, 1946.

Abstracts must be in the hands of Associate Secretary T. R. Hollcroft, American Mathematical Society, 531 West 116th St., New York 27, N. Y., not later than September 28. Abstracts received by August 1 will appear in the September issue of this BULLETIN.

AMES, IOWA, November 29–30, 1946.

Abstracts must be in the hands of Associate Secretary R. H. Bruck, 206 North Hall, University of Wisconsin, Madison 6, Wis., not later than October 25. Abstracts received by August 1 will appear in the September issue of this BULLETIN. By invitation of the Committee to Select Hour Speakers for Western Sectional Meetings, there will be an address by Dr. P. V. Reichelderfer entitled *The essential part of a surface*, and an address by Professor S. E. Warschawski.

LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA, November 30, 1946.

Abstracts must be in the hands of Associate Secretary A. C. Schaeffer, Department of Mathematics, Stanford University, Stanford University, Calif., not later than October 26. Abstracts received by August 1 will appear in the September issue of this BULLETIN.

ANNUAL MEETING: SWARTHMORE, PENNSYLVANIA, December 26–29, 1946.

Abstracts must be in the hands of Associate Secretary T. R. Hollcroft, American Mathematical Society, 531 West 116th St., New York 27, N. Y., not later than November 21. Abstracts received by August 1 will appear in the September issue of this BULLETIN. Professor Subrahmanyan Chandrasekhar will deliver the Annual Gibbs Lecture on *The transfer of radiation in stellar atmospheres*. By invitation of the Committee to Select Hour Speakers for Annual and Summer Meetings, there will be an address by Professor A. P. Morse entitled *Derivatives and their integrals*.

J. R. KLINE, *Secretary of the Society*

Articles for insertion in the BULLETIN should be typewritten, double spaced, and the author should keep a complete copy. Papers in algebra and theory of numbers should be sent to SAUNDERS MACLANE, 474 Widener, Harvard University, Cambridge 38, Mass.; in analysis to R. E. LANGER, North Hall, University of Wisconsin, Madison 6, Wis.; in other fields to DEANE MONTGOMERY, Department of Mathematics, Yale University, New Haven, Conn. Reviews should be sent to E. R. LORCH, Milbank Hall, Columbia University, New York 27, N. Y., and items for Notes to BULLETIN OF THE AMERICAN MATHEMATICAL SOCIETY, 531 West 116th St., New York 27, N. Y. All communications relating to the odd-numbered issues of the BULLETIN should be sent to E. B. STOFFER, University of Kansas, Lawrence, Kan., and all other communications to the editors should be addressed to the Managing Editor, SAUNDERS MACLANE, 474 Widener, Harvard University, Cambridge 38, Mass.

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