

## NEWS AND NOTICES

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### Personal Items

Dr. J. Gani has been appointed Professor of Statistics, Michigan State University beginning April 1. Under Dr. Gani's guidance, Michigan State University will offer a program of instruction and research in applied probability.

Professor E. J. Gumbel, Columbia University, has been appointed Visiting Professor, University of Hamburg, Germany, for the summer term. He will give a course on the Statistical Theory of Extreme Values with Applications to Meteorology and Climatology.

Mr. Paul Gunther has accepted a position on the Technical Staff of Bellcomm, Inc., Washington, D. C. He is currently involved in reliability and flight test problems of the national space program.

Professor Shanti S. Gupta will head the Department of Statistics, Purdue University beginning in September.

Dr. James Lechner, formerly on the staffs of the Westinghouse Research and Development Laboratories and Carnegie Institute of Technology, has accepted a position as Advisory Mathematician at the Westinghouse Defense and Space Center, Baltimore, Maryland.

Dr. Julius Lieblein has joined the staff of the Office of Statistical Programs in the Office of the Assistant Postmaster General for Finance, Post Office Department, where he will serve as mathematical statistician concerned with statistical problems of cost ascertainment for the different classes of mail and services. He was formerly a mathematical statistician at the Applied Mathematics Laboratory, David Taylor Model Basin, Navy Department.

Dr. R. M. Loynes has been appointed Lecturer in Mathematics, University of Manchester, England.

Professor William Mendenhall, formerly of the Department of Mathematics, Bucknell University, has been appointed Head, Department of Statistics, University of Florida.

Dr. Donald B. Owen has left Sandia Corporation to head the Mathematical and Stochastic Systems Division in the Computer Sciences Laboratory, Graduate Research Center of the Southwest.

Mr. Fred L. Ramsey, an advanced graduate student in Statistics, Iowa State University, has been awarded the George W. Snedecor Award for 1964.

Dr. K. C. Seal has been appointed Director, Labour Bureau, Ministry of Labour and Employment, Simla, India.

Dr. Mohamed A. H. Taha, recently of the Swiss Federal Institute of Technology, has joined the staff of the University of Alexandria, Egypt, as a Lecturer in Mathematics and Statistics.

Professor Samuel S. Wilks died unexpectedly on March 8, 1964 at his home in