

## NEWS AND NOTICES

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### **Institute of Statistics of the University of North Carolina**

Announcement of detailed plans for the North Carolina All-University Institute of Statistics has been made by Professor Gertrude M. Cox, Director of the Institute.

To provide graduate-level training for students in statistics and to combine the theoretical or mathematical statistics with applied or experimental statistics, a Graduate Department of Mathematical Statistics is being set up at Chapel Hill with Professor Harold Hotelling as Head. The existing Department of Experimental-Statistics at Raleigh is a part of the Institute, and will be headed by Professor Gertrude M. Cox with Professor W. G. Cochran as Director of Research. Professors Hotelling and Cochran will be Associate Directors of the Institute.

Professor Hotelling, who will head the Department at Chapel Hill comes to North Carolina from Columbia University, where he has been directing its graduate mathematical statistics program. Previously, he had held positions with the University of Washington, Princeton University and Stanford University. His undergraduate training was taken at the University of Washington where he majored in journalism; his Master of Science degree was awarded by the same institution in mathematics; and his doctorate by Princeton University, also in mathematics. In addition, he has done some graduate work at the University of Chicago. Professor Hotelling's publications in mathematical statistics are numerous and well known. Among the members of his staff will be a visiting professor, M. S. Bartlett, on leave of absence from Cambridge University. A graduate of Cambridge and native of England, Bartlett has also held positions with the University of London and the Imperial Chemical Industries, and during the war was engaged in war research in London.

In addition, P. L. Hsu, William Madow, and Herbert Robbins, will be members of the Department at Chapel Hill as associate professors. Hsu, a native of China, has held teaching positions with the University of Peking and the University of London. He received his degrees from Tsinghua University and the University of London.

Madow is now in Brazil, where he is serving as a visiting professor of statistics at the University of São Paulo. He received his training, both undergraduate and graduate, from Columbia University, and has worked with the Department of Agriculture Graduate School and the Bureau of the Census in Washington.

Robbins will come to the University of North Carolina from New York University where he has been serving as an assistant professor. Prior to that, he was a staff member of the postgraduate school of the U. S. Naval Academy, and an instructor in mathematics at New York University and at Harvard University. He holds A.B., A.M. and Ph.D. degrees from Harvard University.