

THE FEBRUARY MEETING IN CINCINNATI

The four hundred sixty-fifth meeting of the American Mathematical Society was held at the University of Cincinnati on Friday and Saturday February 23–24, 1951. There were about 85 registrations including the following 57 members of the Society:

J. E. Adney, E. S. Allen, Emilio Baiada, I. A. Barnett, W. R. Baum, L. G. Belai, W. D. Berg, Dewey Blair, Louis Brand, R. W. Bryant, E. D. Cashwell, Lamberto Cesari, V. F. Cowling, E. H. Crisler, R. E. Fullerton, Franklin Haimo, O. G. Harrold, Hugo Heermann, Carl Holtom, W. E. Jenner, H. K. Justice, Frank Levin, D. J. Lewis, H. D. Lipsich, Lee Lorch, C. I. Lubin, R. W. MacDowell, H. B. Mann, William Marcaccio, Gaylord Merriman, E. J. Mickle, H. L. Miller, C. N. Moore, W. B. Morgan, Tadasi Nakayama, Zeev Nehari, H. S. Pollard, O. W. Rechart, P. V. Reichelderfer, Haim Reingold, M. E. Rice, R. A. Roberts, C. H. Rust, H. J. Ryser, W. C. Sangren, K. C. Schraut, M. E. Shanks, Edward Silverman, T. F. Smith, W. S. Snyder, V. C. Stechschulte, E. G. Swafford, Otto Szász, E. F. Trombley, J. A. Ward, E. F. White, J. W. T. Youngs.

The Committee to Select Hour Speakers for Western Sectional Meetings had issued two invitations, one to Professor Zeev Nehari of Washington University and the second to Professor Tadasi Nakayama of Nagoya University and the University of Illinois. Professor Nehari spoke on *Bounded analytic functions* at 2:00 P.M. Friday while Professor Nakayama addressed the Society on *Galois theory of rings* at 10:30 A.M. Saturday.

Presiding officers for the various sessions were Professors Otto Szász, W. S. Snyder, E. S. Allen, and I. A. Barnett.

The University of Cincinnati entertained the Society at a tea on Friday afternoon and there was a dinner on Friday evening at the Sinton Hotel. Dean Greene welcomed the guests on behalf of the University of Cincinnati and Professor Shanks responded. The dinner was characterized by an air of friendly informality, possible perhaps only at one of the regional meetings.

The list of papers presented follows. Those abstracts indicated by the letter “*t*” were presented by title. Professor Koenig was introduced by Professor J. W. T. Youngs and Professor Fortet by Professor G. E. Forsythe.

ALGEBRA AND THEORY OF NUMBERS

186*t*. A. A. Albert: *On simple alternative rings*.

The purpose of this note is that of proving the following result. Let C be a simple alternative ring which contains an idempotent not its unity quantity. Then C is either