NOTES

The First General Assembly of the International Mathematical Union was held in Rome, Italy, March 6-8, 1952. The Unione Matematica Italiana acted as host to the Assembly.

The following eighteen countries were represented by official delegates: Australia, Austria, Belgium, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Great Britain, Italy, Japan, Netherlands, Norway, Peru, Spain, Switzerland, the United States of America, and Yugoslavia. Poland sent two observers, while Portugal sent one such representative. UNESCO was represented by Professor R. Berker of the Department of Natural Sciences, while the International Council of Scientific Unions was represented by Dr. R. Fraser of the Liaison Office, ICSU and UNESCO. The United States was represented by Professor Marshall H. Stone, Chairman of the United States Delegation, Professors J. R. Kline, Einar Hille, Saunders MacLane and G. T. Whyburn.

It was the unanimous opinion of the United States Delegation that the meetings were a decided success.

The General Assembly voted to convene its next ordinary meeting in connection with the International Congress of Mathematicians scheduled to be held in the Netherlands in 1954.

The following officers were elected:

President: M. H. Stone (U.S.A.) 1st Vice-President: E. Borel (France)

2nd Vice-President: E. Kamke (Germany)

Secretary: E. Bompiani (Italy)

Members-at-Large of the Executive Committee:

W. V. D. Hodge (Great Britain)

S. Iyanaga (Japan)

B. Jessen (Denmark).

The Nachrichten der Oesterreichischen Mathematischen Gesellschaft has recently begun to publish international mathematical news. Of special interest to the editors are such items as permanent changes of position and temporary travels abroad. Since the International Mathematical Union is studying the possibility of using the Nachrichten as its official news bulletin, the journal may soon acquire a large international circulation and be of great value to all mathematicians. The members of the Society, and especially chairmen of departments of mathematics or their deputies, are cordially requested to inform the editors of all up-to-date mathematical news.