

NEWS FROM THE DEPARTMENTS

University of Alberta, Calgary

Professors A. Sharma and P. Lancaster were invited to attend the S. I. A. M. conference on approximations in Tennessee in October.

The following visiting professors have given lectures here in recent months: P. Erdős, B. Grünbaum, L. Lorch, L. Moser.

The I. B. M. 1620 computer was equipped with 40 K digit storage and with card input/output in September. Disk storage for $20 \cdot 10^6$ digits is expected in February, 1964.

University of Alberta, Edmonton

Professor Paul Erdős of the Hungarian Academy of Science was a visiting professor for the 6 weeks from the middle of October to the end of November.

Dr. B. Grünbaum, of Israel, visited the department in October and gave a colloquium on some new results in convex polyhedra.

A department of Computing Science will come into being as of April 1st, 1964. Professor D. B. Scott of the Physics Department and presently Director of the Computing Center, will be Head of the new department.

Professor A. Rényi, of the University of Budapest and Director of the Mathematical Institute of the Hungarian Academy of Science, visited the University at the end of August. He was the banquet speaker at the joint meeting of the American Physical Society and the Canadian Association of Physicists held in Edmonton, for the first time, August 29. His talk, entitled "Socratic Dialogue on Mathematics", will appear soon in "Physics Today". He also addressed the colloquium of the mathematics department on information theory.

University of Manitoba

Professor P. Erdős of the Hungarian Academy of Sciences was a visitor October 7 - 13, 1963. He lectured to students, and also delivered a colloquium talk to the mathematics department.

Professor H. S. M. Coxeter, University of Toronto, delivered a talk to mathematics students and faculty, November 1, 1963.

Professor L. Dulmage visited University of Alberta, Edmonton and delivered a mathematics colloquium address, December 11, 1963.

Professors Dulmage and Mendelsohn participated in the conference on recent advances in matrix theory, October 14 - 16, sponsored by the U. S. Army Mathematics Research Center, Madison, Wisconsin.

Queen's University

Professor Jules Favard of the University of Paris visited the Department for a few days early in November. During his visit, he spoke on "The Comparison of the Processes of Summation".

G. Terjanian is conducting a "Seminaire sur les Catégories Abéliennes".

M. T. Wasan attended the Summer Institute of the Institute of Mathematical Statistics at Michigan State University. He also presented papers at the International Symposium on the Classical and Contagious Discrete Distributions and at the annual meeting of the Institute of Mathematical Statistics.

Mrs. J. McDonald has joined the Department as a Senior Lecturer.

University of Ottawa

Assistant Professor Dr. J. L. Howland has been promoted to Associate Professor.

Dr. H. Helfenstein is on leave of absence during the academic year 1963-64. He is visiting universities in Switzerland, Germany and Italy.

Dr. W. Kuyk, an algebraist with the Mathematisch Centrum, Amsterdam, has joined the Department as NRC post-doctorate fellow.

Dr. T. Husain was visiting member of the Institute for Advanced Study at Princeton during the month of August. He and Dr. H. Kleisli presented papers at the AMS Summer meeting in Boulder, Colorado. At the SIAM Meeting a joint paper by Dr. J. L. Howland and Mr. F. Farrell was presented by the latter.

Dr. V. Linis was visiting professor at the NSF Summer Institute, University of Idaho.

University of Saskatchewan

Dr. S. K. Kaul has been appointed Assistant Professor. Dr. Kaul's field is topology.

Dr. S. Trott has been appointed Associate Professor of Mathematics at the Regina Campus.

Dr. R. Blum has been promoted to the rank of Professor.

Dr. A. P. Guinand, Head of the Department, has resigned and has accepted an appointment as Professor of Mathematics at Trent University.

An I. B. M. 1620 computer with card input/output was installed in September, 1963.

University of Waterloo

New Appointments:

Associate Professors: Dr. George Cross (from Western), Dr. R. A. Staal (from U. N. B.); Assistant Professor: Dr. Minaketan Behara (from Saarland).

Lecturers: Mr. G. Neil Robertson (from Syracuse), Mr. P. L. J. Ryall, A. S. A. (from Sun Life, Montreal), Mr. T. W. Troughton (from London).

Visiting Professor: Dr. W. Barry Pennington (from Aberystwyth, Wales).

Promotions: K. D. Fryer to Associate Chairman; J. W. Graham to Associate Professor.

Visiting Lecturers:

Dr. Günter Menges, Professor of Statistics and Econometrics and Director of the Institute of European Statistics, University of the Saar, Saarbrücken, Germany visited the University in October and delivered a lecture entitled "A discussion of the Foundations of Decision Theory".

University of Western Ontario

Included in the expansion program at the University of Western Ontario are plans for a Natural Science Building which will house the administration for the new College of Science which will be established within the next two years. This building will also house the Department of Mathematics.

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Further information can be obtained from the Editor-in-chief, Dr. J. Gani, Department of Statistics, The Australian National University, P. O. Box 4, Canberra, Australia.