BULLETIN OF THE
INTERNATIONAL MATHEMATICAL UNION

New Memberships

Applications for membership in our Union have been received from Hungary in Group III, from Bulgaria in Group I, and from Czechoslovakia in Group III.

Following the recommendation of the Executive Committee, the General Assembly has approved these applications by postal ballot. The respective memberships became effective on May 21, 1957.

The *János Bolyai Mathematical Society* acts as the National Adhering Organization of *Hungary*. The names of the members of the National Committee for Mathematics are:

G. Alexits, academician
J. Egerváry, academician
P. Erdös, corr. member of the Hungarian Academy of Sciences
L. Fejér, academician
T. Gallai
G. Hajós, academician
K. Jordán, corr. member of the Hungarian Academy of Sciences
L. Kalmár, corr. member of the Hungarian Academy of Sciences
L. Rédei, academician
A. Rényi, academician
J. Surányi, General Secretary of János Bolyai Math. Soc.
B. Szökefalvi-Nagy, academician
P. Turán, academician
O. Varga, corr. member of the Hungarian Academy of Sciences.

The *Academy of Sciences of Bulgaria* acts as the National Adhering Organization of *Bulgaria*. National Committee for Mathematics:

L. Tschakalov, Dr. math., member of the Academy
N. Obreschkov, Dr. math., member of the Academy
K. Popov, Dr. math., member of the Academy.

The *Ceskoslovenská Akademie Věd* acts as the National Adhering Organization of *Czechoslovakia*. National Committee for Mathematics:

E. C e c h, member of the Academy (President)
O. B o r u v k a, corr. member of the Academy
V. J a r n í k, member of the Academy
M. K a t e t o v, corr. member of the Academy
St. S c h w a r z, corr. member of the Academy.

General Assembly of IMU 1958

The place and date of the General Assembly 1958 of the International Mathematical Union have been fixed as follows:

St. Andrews, Scotland, August 11—13, 1958 (immediately before the International Congress of Mathematicians in Edinburgh, August 14—21, 1958).

International Mathematical Union Lecturers

Announcement of a trial program

The Executive Committee of the International Mathematical Union (IMU), in considering the advantages of various types of new Union activities, has been interested in the possibility of a regular program of travel grants to IMU lecturers. To test the practicality of a long range program of such grants, the Executive Committee has voted to carry on a small trial program during the period November 1957 to July 1958. This program is intended to encourage lectures by visiting mathematicians from other countries, by providing grants to supplement local funds available for the travel expenses of the lecturers.

Such *IMU lecturers* are expected to be mathematicians from one country who are invited to give a substantial series of lectures by an institution in another (and usually quite distant) country. The institution issuing the invitation may be a University, a group of Universities, an Academy or the like, all located in a country which is a member of the IMU. This inviting institution shall choose the prospective lecturer, obtain preliminary assurances of his availability, and consult the National Committee for Mathematics in its own country as to these plans. The inviting institution then submits a formal application to the Secretariat of the IMU.

This application should state the detailed plan for the intended series of lectures (the name of the lecturer, his subject, the number of lectures, the dates and place of these lectures). There should be added available information about the mathematical content of the lectures — for example, the size and interests of the expected audience, and possible previous experience with visiting lecturers. The application should state that the inviting institution has consulted the National Committee in its own country. Finally, the application should specify the amount of IMU travel funds requested and the amounts available from other sources for this travel. In this trial program each IMU grant must be matched by an at least equal amount from other sources. Further information can be obtained from the Secretary of the Union.

Applications are due on or before September 15, 1957 in the office of the Secretariat, International Mathematical Union, Ecole Polytechnique Fédérale, Zürich, Suisse. They will be studied by a subcommittee of the IMU Commission on Exchanges, and awards will be announced by October 15, 1957.

International Congress of Mathematicians, 1962

In accordance with the practice established at the International Congress of Mathematicians in 1954, a joint committee consisting of representatives of the organizing committee of the International Congress to be held in Edinburgh in 1958 and of representatives of the International Mathematical Union has been appointed to discuss the location of the International Congress of 1962 and to prepare a proposition to be presented to the Congress in Edinburgh 1958.

This committee requests that any national body which wishes to invite the Congress to meet in its country should inform the Secretary of the International Mathematical Union (Professor B. E c k m a n n, Ecole Polytechnique Fédérale, Zurich, Switzerland) of its intentions as soon as possible, and by February 15, 1958 at the latest. It would greatly help the committee to reach its decision if prospective hosts would supply as much information as possible about their plans for the Congress when notifying their intention. The committee will be pleased to answer any queries and to give such advice as it can on any matters concerning the organization of the Congress to any country who asks for it.

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Secretary of the IMU.

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