## Notice to New Members

We have changed over in our distribution
of the Bulletin to the use of an addresso-
graph. It is possible in this change that
several new members may not have
received the first issue of Volume V.
Will those who have not received this
number kindly notify the Secretariat and
it will be forwarded immediately.

## RANDOM NOTES FROM THE SECRETARIAT

As these notes were written, our treasurer, Professor W. L. G.
Williams, and Mrs. Williams were en route down the St. Lawrence
River on their way to spend four months' in Europe, chiefly in England,
France, Portugal and Spain. It will be of interest, particularly to new
members, to know that in addition to his position as a member of the
Executive Committee, Professor Williams is Chairman of the Invest-
ment Committee of the Congress and also assists in raising funds from
business and industry to help finance our many activities. He also
maintains his interest in several other activities of national and
international importance. With all his energy and enthusiasm he gives
an excellent example of what can be done on retirement from teaching
and of the excellent service that can be given to many important
endeavours.

During the month of January, our past president, Professor
R. L. Jeffery of Acadia University, was a guest lecturer in Australia
on the invitation of the Australian Mathematical Society. Professor
Jeffery is engaged in mathematical activities as much as he was before
his retirement in 1960 from Queen's University.

The June meetings of the Congress, as part of the Conference of
Learned Societies, will be held at McMaster University, Hamilton,
on June 2, 5, and 6. Professor B. Banaschewski will give the invited
address on the subject "Extensions of Topological Spaces" at 9.30 on
Saturday morning, June 2. Contributed papers will be arranged,
depending on the number to be presented, on Saturday morning,
Tuesday morning, June 5, and Wednesday morning, June 6. Professor
L. J. Mordell, a guest lecturer at the inaugural Canadian Congress in

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1945, will read a paper on Tuesday morning on the subject "Cubic Congruences in Three Variables". Professor Mordell is another mathematician who has continued actively in mathematics after retirement. He retired from Cambridge University in 1958. During the past winter he was a visiting lecturer at the University of Arizona.

Meetings of the Executive and Council will be held on Saturday afternoon, June 2, and also in the evening if necessary. A subscription dinner will be given on Saturday evening. Notices have already been sent out with the programme but those planning to attend should write to Professor N. D. Lane at McMaster University if they have not already done so.

Each summer during the past eight years the Congress has supported summer schools for secondary school teachers of mathematics. It was never intended that the Congress would continue to expand these efforts and, as expected, most of this work has been taken over by the various Departments of Education in co-operation with the universities. Such was the case in Alberta and British Columbia. After three years, during which the Congress co-operated with the regular summer schools at Mount Allison and Acadia, the Congress school in Nova Scotia will be integrated with the regular summer school conducted by the Nova Scotia Department of Education in Halifax. The special courses for teachers in a retraining programme, one at the senior level and one at the junior level, will be given by Professor R. L. Jeffery and Professor A. J. Tingley of Dalhousie University. Fifty or more teachers will be taking these courses and a number of other teachers will be taking advanced courses also offered by the Congress school. Professor S. Melamed of McGill University will also be on the staff of the school.

In addition to this programme for secondary school teachers, the Congress will sponsor two sessions in advanced mathematics, one at the University of British Columbia and one at the University of Montreal. These were described in the last issue of the Bulletin. In each case financial assistance will be given by the Congress. The session at the University of Montreal offers an excellent opportunity for French and English mathematicians to meet and study together, and in particular, an excellent opportunity for English speaking students to make real progress towards becoming bilingual.

About fifty mathematicians are planning to attend the International Congress of Mathematicians in Stockholm, August 15 - 22. The official delegates from the Congress will be R. L. Jeffery of Acadia University, G. de B. Robinson of the University of Toronto, and N. Mendelsohn of the University of Manitoba. Professor Mendelsohn will replace our President, Professor R. D. James of the University of British Columbia, who will be unable to be present. The Congress will be assisting

financially in most cases, depending upon the assistance given by the universities. The Congress committee on Stockholm grants, A. Gauthier of the University of Montreal, L. F. S. Ritcey, and Max Wyman of the University of Alberta, with the approval of the Executive, has awarded grants amounting in total to substantially more than twice as much as was originally contemplated. Most of the Canadian mathematicians will take the opportunity to visit other universities and consult with mathematicians in Europe on their particular fields of interest.

Another Congress committee consisting of A. Gauthier, M. S. Macphail of Carleton University, and L. F. S. Ritcey, is dealing with applications for grants to aid special individual study and research including travel grants to assist foreign students to study at Canadian universities. Such travel grants are meant to assist universities to build up their research in mathematics. The need for such grants may decrease as more Canadian students enter the fields of pure and applied mathematics.

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