Dear Colleagues:

Enclosed is a copy of the expanded program for our joint annual meeting. It was arranged by our Chairperson-Elect Arnold Adelberg together with Herbert Hethcote of SIAM and Stuart Klugman of ASA. We hope you will find it both interesting and useful.

At the MAA business meeting on Saturday, we will choose a new Chairperson-Elect. The Nominating Committee consisting of James Cornette, Steve Hubbard, Edward Hill, and Kenneth Kopecky has nominated Gregory Dotseth of UNI and A. M. Fink of ISU for this position.

At last years business meeting we had a good discussion of our relationship with the Iowa Academy of Science. As a result we are having this experimental meeting with the Iowa sections of SIAM and ASA. Due to a recent exchange of correspondence with the Executive Director of the IAS we need to move closer to a decision on our relationship at this years business meeting. In a letter to the MAA offices last month Director Hansen made the following points.

- 1) The Iowa Section of MAA is first of all the Mathematics section of IAS.
- 2) Our Chairperson must be an IAS member.
- 3) All abstracts of papers for our meetings must be submitted on Academy forms with their registration fees.
- 4) All persons who attend our meeting must register with the Academy and pay their registration fees.
- 5) If these terms are not acceptable we should go our own way while the Academy continues its own Mathematics section.

For this year a truce was arranged based on our printing and distributing our own program. However, unless a compromise can be worked out with the Board of Directors of IAS, we will need to decide during the coming year whether or not to continue as the Mathematics section of the Iowa Academy. Your input on this question will be very important.

In light of the tremendous program which has been arranged, the largest in recent years, and the important issue to be discussed, we are hoping for a large turnout at this years meeting.

Treasurers Report

Balance December 31, 1978

\$178.04

Income

National Allotment

\$140.00

Interest on Savings Acct.

13.98

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\$153.98

Expenses

Postage & Telephone Calls

36.90

Registration Fee for

Guest Speaker

8.00

44.90

Balance December 31, 1979

\$287.12

Cordially yours,

E. James Peake Secretary-Treasurer Iowa Section of MAA

