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#### MARCH MEETING OF THE METROPOLITAN NEW YORK SECTION

The annual meeting of the Metropolitan New York Section of the MAA was held at Long Island University, Zeckendorf Campus, on March 18, 1967. Dr. Meyer Jordan, Vice-Chairman of the section for Senior Colleges, presided. There were approximately 120 persons in attendance.

At the business meeting, the following officers were elected: Chairman, Professor Meyer Jordan, Brooklyn College; Vice-Chairman for Senior Colleges, Professor Joseph Houle, Pace College; Vice-Chairman for Junior and Community Colleges, Professor Norman Schaumberger, Bronx Community College; Vice-Chairman for High Schools, Dr. Ira Ewen, Springfield Gardens High School; Secretary, Professor Theresa J. Barz, St. John's University; Treasurer, Dr. Aaron Shapiro, Midwood High School.

Also at the business meeting, Dr. Abraham Schwartz reported on the meetings of the Board of Governors, Dr. C. T. Salkind and Dr. N. Schaumberger reported on the activities of the Contest Committee and the Speakers' Bureau, respectively, while Dr. A. Shapiro presented the treasurer's report.

The following papers were presented:

1. *Probability methods in various branches of mathematics*, by Mark Kac, The Rockefeller University (by invitation).
2. *One hundred years to square a logarithm*, by Harold Shapiro, New York University.
3. *Calculus for secondary school teachers*, by Lester Gavurin, Brooklyn College.
4. *Some reactions to CUPM proposals*, by J. E. Houle, Pace College.
5. *An experimental program in freshman calculus*, by Howard Levi, Hunter College.
6. *The effectiveness of a programmed text for mathematics fundamentals—an experiment at Pace College*, by Maurice Nadler, Pace College.
7. *Freshman experimental course in modern mathematics*, by Maurice Richter, Staten Island Community College.
8. *Mathematics for prospective elementary school teachers*, by Margaret Woodbridge, Brooklyn College.

Theresa J. Barz, *Secretary*

#### JUNE MEETING OF THE NORTHEASTERN SECTION

The spring meeting of the Northeastern Section of the Mathematical Association of America was held at Mount Allison University, Sackville, New Brunswick on June 24, 1967. Thirty-five people attended the meeting including twenty members of the Association. Professor Robin Robinson, Chairman of the Section, presided at both the morning and afternoon sessions.

The following program was presented:

1. *Random packing of spheres and applications*, by E. M. Tory, Mt. Allison University.
2. *What is a calculation?* by Joachim Lambek, McGill University.