

**100 Years Ago This Month in The American Mathematical Monthly**  
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The Annual Register of the American Mathematical Society for the year 1916 shows a membership of 732; during the year the attendance at general and sectional meetings numbered 490; and 205 papers were presented. The treasurer's report shows a balance of \$10,198.38. The library contains 5,377 volumes.

*School and Society* has collected data showing that the universities of the United States granted 607 doctorates during the academic year 1915-1916. Of this number 332 degrees were granted in the sciences, 34 being in mathematics. The number receiving the doctorate in mathematics is not large, being only slightly more than 5 per cent. of the total, and is evidently not nearly sufficient to supply the demand for high-class instructors in the colleges and universities of America. If distributed geographically over the United States, but two doctors in mathematics could be supplied to every three states of the Union.

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