

amounts could never be eliminated, but some freedom of expenditure over two or three years within the limits of total amounts corresponding to an accepted annual allowance would be of assistance in planning for the purchase of new equipment.

Changes made recently in our courses are working out satisfactorily and no radical revisions are contemplated. Gradual change and re-adjustment are more commendable. We are satisfied that our general policy of working in cooperation with the Department of Mathematics is a good one from every stand-point, and should be continued.

The question of staff is our most serious problem at the moment, and steps should be taken to build up a junior group capable of carrying on the traditional policy of the Department. Sound knowledge of engineering principles and of fundamental mathematics, combined with distinct teaching ability, are the qualifications necessary to enable an instructor to bear a proper share of responsibility in the Department, and to assist in the teaching of mathematics. The teaching duties of the late Dean MacKay, both in graduate and undergraduate work, as well as his administrative duties, have all been carried during the session now closing by various members of the Department, and serious difficulties would have arisen had any one of them been incapacitated.