

**100 Years Ago This Month in *The American Mathematical Monthly*  
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At Harvard University, Assistant Professor G. D. BIRKHOFF has been promoted to a full professorship.

Of the six three-hour examinations held at Annapolis this month for the purpose of selecting instructors of mathematics at the Academy, one was on theoretical mechanics as in Miller and Lilly's *Analytic Mechanics*, and another was on strength of materials and hydromechanics as in Smith's *Strength of Material* and Alger's *Hydromechanics*. The other examinations were on differential and integral calculus as in Granville's work, analytic geometry as in Smith and Gale's *New Analytic Geometry*, trigonometry as in Brown's *Trigonometry and Stereographic Projections*, and Wentworth, *College Algebra* (revised), 1902, and Wentworth's *Solid Geometry* (revised), 1909.

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