

Nominations for 1974-75 MCATA Executive

President - Dr. W. George Cathcart of
the University of Alberta

Vice-President - Francis Somerville
of Calgary

Secretary - Dennis Treslan of Calgary

Treasurer - Donald Hinde of Lacombe

As only one person was nominated for each office, the nominees are declared elected by proclamation and will assume office following the annual meeting.

THINK JASPER - OCTOBER 25-26, 1974

MCATA members and other mathematics teachers will gather at Jasper Park Lodge to hear speakers present ideas and challenges to help us improve our classroom presentation of materials and increase our ability to help our students to gain mathematical competency. Among the speakers will be Robert Eicholtz of Addison-Wesley (Canada) Ltd.; Ed Murin, NCTM national representative; Emery Dodsall of the Edmonton Public School Board; Glen Kauffman of Parkland Composite High School in Edson; Thomas D. Baker, retired teacher; Bill Easton of Moyers Publishing; and Dorothy Burton of Bowness High School in Calgary. Details not previously announced will be in *The ATA News* and the *Delta-K* September issue, and in at least one other mailing.

THINK DENVER - APRIL 23-26, 1975

NCTM national meeting will be in Denver. We are planning to travel as a group to take advantage of reduced air fares so that many of us can have an opportunity often available to only a few. This gathering will have all the advantages of a name-of-site meeting, plus many others. We also want to support our own Dr. Joan Kirkpatrick, MCATA member and director, whom we congratulate on her election at the 1974 annual meeting, as a director.

NUMBER ONE ON THE METRIC HIT PARADE

What can a music teacher do when his school decides to "go metric" for a month? This was the question confronting Charles Rinehart at the Campus School in Oswego, New York. His response was to use rhyme and rhythm to teach the new metric vocabulary. His song, "Halve Your Meter", has become an instant hit due to its catchy melody and painless introduction to the metric system. From the standpoint of a music teacher looking at the metric system, Charles says, "How pleasant it is to have a spoonful of sugar to help the metric go down."

The words and music of the tune appear in the May, 1974 issue of *School Science and Mathematics*. If you would like a reprint of the article—which includes the words and music to the tune—simply send a stamped, self-addressed envelope to:

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