

Fred Tarlton

1962-63 *President*

1963-64 *Past President*

THIRTY YEARS IS A LONG TIME, and I do not remember much about my year as president. I do recall that I spoke to the Council on School Administration at Red Deer and that they surprised me with an honorarium. I thought that a good way to spend it would be to bring greetings from the executive to a math seminar in Grande Prairie. Unfortunately, all I remember about the trip is that after doing my little bit on Monday morning at the start of the seminar, I found that the town had the habit of closing down on Mondays, and I spent a rather uninteresting day

looking at piles of tent-caterpillar moths which covered the streets almost like snowdrifts. These were probably the aftermath (pun not intended) of the miles of bare trees we had seen on our way from Edmonton.

I was involved in other meetings and seminars. At one of them, Tom Atkinson, Harry Johnson and I were consultants for the different grade divisions, along with Lloyd Dulmage, who gave the keynote lectures, and I remember that Tom almost insisted that I change my name to Dick so that the three of us would be Tom, Dick and Harry.

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It's easy to identify people who can't count to two. They're in front of you in the supermarket express lane.

June Henderson,
Nashville Banner

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Tom Atkinson

1962-63 *Senior High Representative*

1963-64 *President*

1964-65 *Past President and Editor*

1967-68 *Editor*

MY FIRST INDICATION THAT AN organization called the Mathematics Council of The Alberta Teachers' Association existed occurred in 1962. Someone phoned me to ask that I be the high school representative on the MCATA executive.

I assume that the ATA, at its Annual General Meeting (AGM), now known as its Annual Representative Assembly (ARA), had previously passed a resolution leading to the formation of subject area specialist councils. I assume also that

some executive members were drafted [appointed] because I have no recollection of having been elected to any position.

I recall the names of only two persons (besides me) on the MCATA executive in 1962-63: John Cherniwchan, teacher at Salisbury High School; and ATA staff advisor Mel Sillito. I am sure there were others, but my memory fails me.

In that year, we held several executive meetings where we discussed possible areas of influence of the