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Studies in Modern Algebra. A. A. Albert, Ed. Published for the Mathematical Association of America by Prentice-Hall, Englewood Cliffs, N.J., 1963. vi + 190 pp. Illus.

This book, a consequence of the renascence in mathematical pedagogy at the collegiate level, contains an introduction (by A. A. Albert) and papers by R. H. Bruck, C. W. Curtis, Erwin Kleinfeld, Saunders Mac Lane (2), and L. J. Paige. It is designed to make available to apt collegians, and their instructors, information about portions of algebra which are in some sense developmental, which are historically wellfounded, and which have exerted (and may be expected to continue to exert) significant pressure upon other portions of mathematics.

The papers by Mac Lane are enormously valuable in that they are extraordinarily well-written surveys of a great deal of algebra: first, the algebra of some 25 years ago and, second, that of today. They are general, but they do not glitter. One is not expected to learn mathematics from them, but to learn to like mathematics from them.

The remaining papers are, as one usually says, more technical, and certainly more detailed. Bruck's paper on loops is based on geometry, and it brings into action a reasonable amount of that subject. The remaining three papers are on linear algebra, and it is not always assumed that a(bc) = (ab)c. The one by Curtis (its bibliography seems incomplete) revolves around the problem of expressing a product of sums of squares as a sum of squares. Kleinfeld's amounts to a determination of a specific example in the same context, and Paige's deals with the global structure of such algebras.

There is an index, and in general, the bibliographies are good.

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