1972] GENERALIZED FIBONACCI NUMBERS IN PASCAL'S PYRAMID 293 [Continued from page 276.] (where q' = r(q'-1)), which are the numbers u(n; q, r) in the Tribonacci

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The total number of distinct arrangements of the N groups combined is obtained by summing the expression in (7) over all possible values of  $(k_1, k_2, \cdots, k_{N-1})$ , i.e., over the set  $S_{N-1}$ . But the total number of distinct arrangements is also equal to

$$G\left(\sum_{j=1}^{N}M_{j}\right)$$
 .

The identity in (3) then follows from G(n) = F(n + 1).