## **Proof of Theorem 242**

The theorem to be proved is

$$x \oplus \underline{0} \neq \epsilon$$
 &  $x \oplus \underline{1} \neq \epsilon$ 

Suppose the theorem does not hold. Then, with the variables held fixed,

(H) 
$$[[(x \oplus \underline{0}) = (\epsilon) \lor (x \oplus \underline{1}) = (\epsilon)]]$$

## Special cases of the hypothesis and previous results:

0: 
$$x \oplus \underline{0} = \epsilon \quad \lor \quad x \oplus \underline{1} = \epsilon \quad \text{from } H:x$$

1: 
$$\neg x \oplus \underline{0} = \epsilon \quad \lor \quad \underline{0} = \epsilon \quad \text{from} \quad \underline{204}; x; \underline{0}$$

2: 
$$\neg x \oplus \underline{1} = \epsilon \quad \lor \quad \underline{1} = \epsilon \quad \text{from} \quad \underline{204}; x; \underline{1}$$

3: 
$$\neg \underline{0} = \epsilon$$
 from  $\underline{188}$ 

4: 
$$\neg \underline{1} = \epsilon$$
 from  $\underline{188}$ 

## **Inferences:**

5: 
$$\neg x \oplus \underline{0} = \epsilon$$
 by

$$3: \neg \underline{0} = \epsilon$$

1: 
$$\neg x \oplus \underline{0} = \epsilon \quad \lor \quad \underline{0} = \epsilon$$

6: 
$$\neg x \oplus \underline{1} = \epsilon$$
 by

4: 
$$\neg \underline{1} = \epsilon$$

2: 
$$\neg x \oplus \underline{1} = \epsilon \quad \lor \quad \underline{1} = \epsilon$$

7: 
$$x \oplus \underline{1} = \epsilon$$
 by

5: 
$$\neg x \oplus \underline{0} = \epsilon$$

$$0: \ \underline{x} \oplus \underline{0} = \epsilon \quad \lor \quad x \oplus \underline{1} = \epsilon$$

8: 
$$QEA$$
 by

6: 
$$\neg x \oplus \underline{1} = \epsilon$$

7: 
$$x \oplus \underline{1} = \epsilon$$