

Announcements/Chronique

Editorial Policy

As the new Anglophone Editor of *Dialogue*, I would like to take the occasion of the publication of the first issue of 1982 and the first issue with Wilfrid Laurier University Press to indicate some of my plans for *Dialogue*. I would welcome reactions to these plans and additional suggestions from members of the Canadian Philosophical Association and other subscribers.

1. Articles

I will continue the practice of my predecessors in welcoming high-quality articles on a wide range of philosophical topics. However, given the volume of submissions, I wish to express a preference for *shorter* papers. Only for articles of exceptionally high quality will I contemplate accepting papers of more than forty pages (footnotes included).

2. Notes

To help the journal live up to its name, I would like to encourage the submission of *short, incisive, and original* discussion notes on matters of *current* philosophical interest. I will do my best to keep the backlog here to a minimum and so provide a relatively rapid means for the communication of important philosophical work of the highest quality. Such notes need not relate to material already published in *Dialogue* although that would be an added plus. Notes should not exceed five pages.

3. Critical Notices and Book Reviews

I am firmly committed to having reviewed in *Dialogue* all serious contributions to philosophy by members of the Canadian philosophical community both in Canada and elsewhere. I would urge authors of such books or monographs to make certain that *Dialogue* receives review copies. I will also continue to review other selected books and monographs. From time to time I may invite brief responses from the authors of works reviewed here.

4. Manuscripts

I would call the attention of contributors to the new requirements for manuscripts stated on the inside back cover of the journal.

Equipe de Recherche de Philosophie politique et juridique

Une *Equipe de Recherche de Philosophie politique et juridique* a été créée cette année à l'Université de Caen. Elle s'est assigné une double tâche: de recherche proprement philosophique et de travail documentaire.

Les études qui ont été amorcées seront regroupées autour de l'idée de *Démocratie* afin d'en mettre en évidence la vertigineuse polysémie. L'objectif des membres de cette jeune équipe n'est, à aucun égard, prosélytique. Nous ne faisons pas de politique et nous ne nous mettons au service d'aucune idéologie. Nos recherches ne visent qu'à la scientificité dans un champ que, par conséquent, nous concevons aussi large que possible.

Une collaboration avec des Universités étrangères nous semble tout à fait souhaitable. Aussi serions-nous heureux d'accueillir parmi nous ceux d'entre nos collègues canadiens que notre sujet de recherche intéresse.

Pour tout renseignement, écrire à

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McGill-Queen's Studies in the History of Ideas

McGill-Queen's University Press has launched a new series, McGill-Queen's Studies in the History of Ideas. The series is devoted to Western intellectual history, especially the history of philosophy, from antiquity to the twentieth century. Primary interest is in scholarly monographs, but scholarly bibliographies, critical editions, and thematically unified collections of essays will be included on occasion. Five volumes are scheduled to appear in 1982:

- Claude Buffier and Thomas Reid: Two Common-Sense Philosophers*, by Louise Marcil-Lacoste
Problems of Cartesianism, edited by T. Lennon, J. W. Davis, and J. Nicholas
The Development of the Idea of History in Antiquity, by Gerald A. Press
Schiller, Hegel, and Marx: State, Society, and the Aesthetic Ideal, by Philip Kain
John Case and Aristotelianism in Renaissance England, by Charles B. Schmitt

Philosophers completing work falling within the range of the series are invited to discuss their work with the Press. Inquiries may be addressed to Professor Kerry McSweeney, Watson Hall, Queen's University, Kingston, Ontario, K7L 3N6, or Professor David Fate Norton, 849 Sherbrooke Street West, Montreal, Quebec, H3A 2T5.

Popper Newsletter

An international, interdisciplinary newsletter for individuals interested in the philosophy of Karl Popper and its applications has been launched at the University of Guelph. Its purpose is to improve communications among those intrigued by Popper's views (whether supportive or critical), who are scattered across a wide array of practical and theoretical disciplines and professions, as well as being divided into national scholarly communities. Anyone interested in receiving this newsletter should write to the editor, Fred Eidlin, Department of Political Studies, University of Guelph, Guelph, Ontario, Canada, N1G 2W1. A sample issue is available on request. Subscriptions are \$4.00 per year.

Journal of Pragmatics: Call for Papers

The *Journal of Pragmatics* will devote a theme issue to the PRAGMATICS OF CONDITIONALS. The last decade saw a new upsurge of interest in conditionals, due in part to the appearance of the "possible worlds" approach, pioneered by R. C. Stalnaker and D. H. Lewis, and to H. P. Grice's work on implicature, which provided a new perspective on the supposed difference between ordinary language and standard formal logic. In many of the new studies logicians and linguists focussed on the semantics, while the pragmatics, sometimes deemed less important and not properly speaking "logical", got shelved for future investigation. We should by now be ready for this research: the "wastebasket" years of pragmatics definitely belong to the past and the catalogue of the allegedly pragmatic aspects of conditionals is impressive and controversial enough to warrant close scrutiny.

Manuscripts are solicited from philosophers, logicians, and linguists. The deadline for submission is October 15, 1982. Contributions should be sent to: J. Van der Auwera, University of Antwerp (UIA), Germaanse, B-2610 Wilrijk, Belgium.