

EDITORIAL

First issues of periodicals have a certain glamour about them, but their editors often sip the traditional champagne in secret hopes that readers did not notice some of the defects in what took so much work to bring into being. There were too many typos in *Itinerario* for one thing, and why didn't somebody tell us that when one shifts from newsletter to book form, the pages have four sides, not two? So we had two blank pages.

In all, the response was surprising, and we thank our readers for so much interest and encouragement. On the basis of the query sheets you filled out and returned, Gerard Telkamp has started a data-bank on current research that may be consulted by all our readers. In case you have not yet sent in your query sheet we would appreciate it if you would do so.

In this issue, we have our first reports from three correspondents, Pierre Boule, Jack Wills and Om Prakash - the first of many. Three more correspondents joined our ranks, Nicolas Tarling of New Zealand, Nagazumi Akira of Japan and Commandante Avelino Teixeira da Mota of Portugal. We will look forward to their contributions.

The Editors.

