

### Editorial Remarks

The first issue of *Psychometrika* appeared fifty years ago, in March, 1936. This section of the March, 1986 issue of *Psychometrika* honors this anniversary and reports the celebration of this event at the annual meeting of the Psychometric Society in June, 1985 at Vanderbilt University, Nashville, TN.

When Ivo Molenaar asked me to arrange and edit an anniversary section of this issue of *Psychometrika*, I consulted several sages and finally resolved on three major items: Thurstone's original Presidential address, and informal account of the creation of the journal and the society, and a symposium highlighting the major developments in psychometrics over the past fifty years with emphasis on more recent developments.

I wish to thank all the authors for their participation; Lyle Jones for arranging the banquet talks on the formation of the Society, Bruce and Anne Bloxom for their superb arrangements at the Vanderbilt meeting, and Ivo Molenaar, editor of *Psychometrika*, for initiating the plans for this special section.

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## Resolutions

### *Resolution 1*

Thelma Gwynn Thurstone has provided warm and generous support to the Psychometric Society from the time of its inception in 1935. The members of the Society assembled in Nashville, Tennessee for its 50th annual meeting on June 3, 1985, express to her our deep appreciation and sincere best wishes.

### *Resolution 2*

The members of the Psychometric Society assembled for its 50th annual meeting in Nashville, Tennessee on June 3, 1985, salute the Society's living founders. Paul Horst, A. K. Kurtz, and John Stalnaker, and express to them our deep appreciation and sincere best wishes.