Mr. President and Colleagues:

This is very much the report of a fledgling editor, still learning the job. I have the following substantive matters to report.

1. The editing of the Spring Number is virtually completed: indeed, copy may be in the mail to the printer by the time this report is presented. It is a matter of great regret to me that publication of this number has been delayed to this extent. The chief cause of this was the arrival on March 22 of an article promised to me by January 16 (a delay itself not without extenuating circumstances). To have proceeded without it would have destroyed my design to publish in a single number all of the papers and responses from the meeting of the society last November. I shall be interested to hear reaction to this design when the number appears.

2. On 3/23/82 I had a telephone conversation with Mrs. Montgomery of Old Paths Tract Society of Shoals, Indiana, printers of recent numbers of the Journal. The price quoted for 3000 copies was $3000.00, and since this fell within the budget apportionment for the Journal by the last annual meeting, I concluded the contract over the telephone.

3. I have arranged that the proofs be sent directly to me for correction, since past experience has apparently shown that when they are sent to individual authors they sometimes are slow to reappear. Lack of experience makes it impossible for me to predict when the forthcoming number will appear.

4. I have already done some advance work on the second number, and am confident that I already have in hand enough copy for the same. I plan to include a review section, though it may take time to develop this on thoroughly satisfactory lines. I project that the second number will appear in September or October, and plan to engage the same printers unless something unforeseeable transpires.

5. I have consulted my colleagues on the Editorial Committee on matters on which I needed their judgment, and I am grateful for the ready cooperation I have had from them.

Respectfully submitted,

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