EDITORIAL

We offer our sincere apologies for the long delay in distributing the last number of the Journal, Vol. V no.3. The manuscript was almost completed late in October 1970, and finished under adverse climatic conditions during the early part of the Electricity Workers' dispute at the beginning of November. At the printers the electric typewriters, printing presses and all photographic equipment was by this time out of action, and the premises too dark and too cold for work to be done. By the time the dispute ended, a large back-log of work had accumulated, B.A.S.M. jobs being only some of many other contracts, all overdue. Eventually the Journal was produced, thanks to the hard and willing work of many of the employees in Wells & Blackwell but by this time the G.P.O. strike delayed posting the journals for many weeks.

This same dispute led to the inevitable cancellation of two B.A.S.M. meetings much to our regret, and therefore to a dearth of papers from the "Proceedings" suitable for publication. It also held up the usual correspondence over the obtaining of suitable material for this present number.

Eventually manuscripts were submitted, and we are able to bring out the current number, without using any "Proceedings of B.A.S.M. meetings" at all. We were particularly glad to receive the manuscript of the first paper from Messrs. Kennedy and Mayhew, from the U.S.A. both of whom were previously unknown to us, but submitted their paper to us for consideration. Another non-member of B.A.S.M. Miss Petia Kamburoff, from the Institute of Diseases of the Chest, has collaborated with D.A. Brodie in a second report on the lung function of the normal child, and these authors have produced a nomogram for adolescent boys that should prove of much value to chest physicians as well as those in sports medicine and exercise physiology. Mr. Vaughan Thomas has now produced the full report with a most detailed statistical analysis on the ingestion of glucose before exercise.

Our Hon. Secretary, Dr. J. G. P. Williams, has made further efforts at the classification of injuries to sportsmen by the aetiology. Of special interest to all of us is the concept of the "over-use injury", and three short papers by Williams, Cochrane and Sperryn all give examples of different manifestations of this concept of causation of disease. We hope the publication of these cases will act as a stimulant to other writers to submit their own case reports to this journal. We are constantly conscious that the clinical side of sports medicine receives less attention in the journal than the exercise physiology, but we can only print material when it is submitted to us. We appeal again for more clinical papers, even short case reports. We also, of course, want more exercise physiology papers as well.
Removal of Editor's and Treasurer's Office.

As mentioned in the Notices circulated recently, we have moved house. For the next year, all B.A.S.M. and Journal business usually conducted at this office should be sent to the Practice address:

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Most of the files, ledgers and record cards have survived the move safely, but we hope members will bear with us if any muddles ensue, such as requesting subscriptions already paid, or failing to catch up with members' changes of address (especially when they have failed to notify us of these changes!)

Subscription Arrears.

Despite at least three appeals in Journals and Notices, some four hundred members are in arrears for the present year, and several for previous years as well; this represents a deficit to your Association of some £500. and to send one further reminder to each member in arrears would cost £20. for postage and printing alone, and not allowing for the large amount of unnecessary labour involved.

If your Bank Statement for January shows a debit of £2.2.0 to B.A.S.M. and no payment of the balance of 18/- please send the Bankers Order for 90p (1971) and £3 (1972 onwards,) direct to your own bank. If no payment has been made please complete the Order Form for £3 immediately, and for 1972 onwards. Both forms were included at the back of the last Journal Vol. V no.3.

The A.G.M.

It is regretted that this number of the Journal has had to be "put to bed" before the A.G.M., and that it is not possible to circulate it until well after the meeting. Balance sheets and Officer's reports shall appear in the next issue of the Journal Vol VI No.1, which we hope to produce in late Summer, and catch up with the delays, due to circumstances beyond our control, that have beset us at the beginning of the year.

By the time the next issue goes to Press, a new committee shall be in office, and possibly new policies put forward by our members will be coming into effect.