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LECTORIBUS EDITOR

The British Academy has once more made a generous grant from its Central Periodicals Fund towards the cost of producing this issue and for it we express our warm thanks.

We warmly thank also Sir James Mountford, now retired from the presidency, who during his tenure of office has rendered us noble service, not least with two excellent papers delivered from the chair. We welcome as his successor Professor F.H. Sandbach, M.A., F.B.A., of Trinity College, Cambridge, a scholar of wide-ranging interests whom we are honoured to have at our head. Members will recall his learned lecture to the Society in 1965 entitled "Anti-anti-quarianism in the Aeneid" (published in The Proceedings 5(1965-66), pp.26-38). The Council recently decided that in future presidents will be asked for only one paper during their incumbencies - it is really quite onerous to have to produce two - and it is expected that Professor Sandbach will address the Society during session 1970-71.

After five years Mr. Currie has decided to resign from the post of Hon. Secretary, feeling that it is time to hand over to someone else. His successor will be Mr. Frederick Robertson, M.A., of Reading University. Mr. Currie remains editor of the Society's Proceedings.

Last autumn, after protracted negotiations, the Society achieved registration as a charity, which now means that we shall have income tax relief on some of our investments. Our best thanks are due to Dr. John Landels, a former Hon. Treasurer, who bore so well on our behalf the heat and burden of the day in the long correspondence with the authorities. The necessary amendment of the Society's constitution was formally passed at an extraordinary general meeting on October 19.

The one-day conference which we organised on the teaching of Virgil at the beginning of May in the Institute of Classical Studies, W.C.1., proved highly successful. Many members have requested that there be another next year, but it is felt that a longer interval would be suitable before the next one is held. Mr. R.D. Williams, Mr. Martin Thorpe and Mr Maurice Balme made first-rate contributions, while the audience (numbering almost ninety) responded with lively questions and comments.

We have received the text of the first Jackson Knight memorial lecture which was given by Sir Basil Blackwell at Exeter University on March 8, 1968, under the title "Letters in the New Age". Sir Basil in graceful style comments appreciatively on Jackson Knight's contributions to learning and muses on the place of computers in literary studies. In the long run there is no substitute for the man of taste and judgment who brings all his experience, imagination and the resources of his scholarship to bear on the interpretation of a text. Jackson Knight would have gladly welcomed the aid furnished by machines to scholars nowadays.

In conclusion we send our usual greetings to members at home and abroad, thanking them for their support during the year.

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