EDITORIAL

In this issue we publish a further four papers presented at this year's Conference at Leeds, which cover serials automation at the BLDSC, CD-ROM, the JANET system and new binding processes.

We are also pleased to report on the trip made to China by Stella Pilling (BLDSC) and Hazel Woodward (Loughborough University of Technology) during which they lectured to academic librarians on all aspects of serials.

The ever changing field of library automation, in particular serials automation, prompted us to ask some users to report on their experiences and we are grateful therefore for the contributions by Mr. A. Houthuijs of the NMB Bank Amsterdam and Arleen Coffey of Esso Research Centre at Abingdon.

Contributions are always welcome. Please remember to send us any news items, details of staff moves and general information on developments you think may be of interest.

Anne Hillier

Many of you will have met Anne, the Group's Administrator, at our annual conferences or will have had contact with her in regard to seminars or even indeed in processing your annual membership renewal. Unfortunately she is leaving us at the end of November to pursue other interests. By the end of this year Anne would have been with us for five years and during that time she has been responsible for all bookkeeping, renewals and membership records. administration of conferences and seminars, typesetting of Serials and the general secretarial duties of the Group. Her experience and expertise will be greatly missed. On behalf of the members we should like to wish her every success for the future and thank her for her contribution to the Group during five crucial and successful years of its growth.

Albert Prior Editor