Editor's note

The most observant readers probably recognized, even in the previous number, that there was a change in the person of the editor. Commencing with this volume we have also changed the front cover of our journal. Both alterations mean that our journal is undergoing renovation. This process started with the publication of advertisements: the main purpose of this being our wish to improve the financial circumstances of Geophysical Transactions. The technical background has changed as well, we have out-grown our computer-based DTP system. It is to be hoped that the introduction of more up-to-date techniques will accelerate the publishing process and will result in a decrease of misprints.

All the above-mentioned changes are connected mainly with external factors, the present editorial staff would like to pay tribute to the sterling work of Mrs. Éva Kilényi, the previous editor. It was through her efforts that this journal was raised to international level. We should very much like to maintain this level and to support it with the appropriate external effects. In this way, there is every chance that our journal will be an up-to-date scientific journal from outside as well as from inside.

Dear present and future authors, we consider it a great honour that you have chosen our journal as the vehicle for publishing your last best paper. There is no need for us to emphasize that we need only a short time for getting it through the press. If you meet all the — not extensive — requirements connected with the submission of papers, it is almost certain that you will see your paper in print within a year. Attention is drawn to the fact that it would be helpful and most appreciated if you would also send us your paper on floppy diskette written in textfile using any of the standard word-processing programs (e.g. WORD5, WordStar, etc.).

Within this note the editorial staff would like to express their appreciation to the numerous referees for assisting the authors with their good advice and for helping the editors in their decision-making. Many of our referees have been working in association with us long periods of time, we should like to thank them for what is often a thankless task and for their goodwill.

Finally, may I wish you every success in finding good ideas for writing papers for Geophysical Transactions and may you prosper and gain greater success through the published articles. For ourselves, my wish is that you keep us in mind when you are about to submit a new paper, and that we may have the opportunity of continuing this work into the distant future. And we wish you a

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and the editorial staff of Geophysical Transactions