

THE EDITOR'S CORNER

Putting an issue together after the annual meeting is just as exciting as the convention issue. The hussle and bussle of committee meetings, scientific sessions and the exhibit area is gone. The aftermath of organizing notes and assignments appears to be a monumental task but finally rewarding when accomplished. The Associate Editors had a lengthy work session and I call your attention to the revised Guidelines For Authors. Also published are the newly elected officers and committee appointments made by Madeline (Maddie) Massengale who begins her term as President. The 1978 Fellowship Award recipient is Eric Wise of Ohio State; his manuscript appears in this issue.

I was sitting at a table in one of the far corners in the banquet hall where some 600 people had gathered for the annual Awards Dinner. LeRoy Ferris had just introduced the speaker for the evening. Suddenly a hush fell across the room. The glasses and silverware even stopped clinking, sensing that they too were eager to hear Mrs. John Gibbon. We listened expectantly as she began to weave again the story of those early days. Those days of an undying vision, of trial and error and oh yes—of failure to triumph. She gave us a glimpse into the Bullfinch laboratory and shared the circumstances underwhich the birth of cardio-pulmonary bypass occurred.

So it is with much pleasure that I introduce my Guest Editor for this issue, Mrs. John Gibbon. You will see and read of those beginning years; that period which we now call history but for one night in March it once again became alive!



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