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### *A WEIGHTY MATTER*

THE PRESENT rather slender issue of the *Quarterly* owes its lean lines to the unusual timing of the 1969 National Conference. Put back from September to November because of problems of venue, it thereby inserted a two-month delay into the process of revising Editorial policy, since the new proposals were due to be debated at the Conference.

In consequence, the production programme for the first issue of the current volume was seriously delayed, and the reverberations are still being felt. By strenuous effort, the June issue was brought back nearer its due date, but the elimination of a substantial quantum of time from a tight schedule is not easy to achieve by gradual improvement.

Appropriately, the Conference timing produced the remedy as well as the problem. The Special Conference issue of the *Quarterly* came hard on the heels of the June issue, providing readers with over 330 pages of *Quarterly* during July and August. The opportunity was created to slip in a thin September issue and begin preparing the December issue earlier. And taken.

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