

Leader

This issue marks the end of the first volume of the Society's new format journal. I am anxious that members should understand why every paper in this issue originates from an academic. I have no papers ready for publication which have been written by "practitioners". It is impossible for me to publish what is not submitted. Until the critics of the Journal's content are willing to offer alternative material, perhaps silence is indicated. If the present situation does not alter, it will be difficult for the Society to make the Prospect Award next year.

To encourage authors of applications papers, I will guarantee priority to such submissions. I am also asking referees to judge such papers by their usefulness and not by their originality or theoretical contribution. Such papers can be expected to appear within six months of submission. Your journal is in danger of losing its reputation for practicality. This can only be avoided if the "doers" will spare a few minutes to become "writers".

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