## EDITORIAL

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May I take this opportunity to pass on congratulations to Professor Donald Harrison upon being honoured in the New Years Honours List by a Knight Bachelor and Professor Gordon Seward upon being appointed a C.B.E. in the Birthday Honours List; both have given freely of their time in refereeing articles and reviewing books for the Journal and both have kindly agreed to continue to do this. Both are now retiring from their University Chairs in the University of London, after many years of distinguished service to otolaryngology and oral surgery respectively.

Congratulations are also due to our Advisor in Statistics, Stephen Evans, upon being appointed to the Chair in Medical Statistics in the Department of Clinical Epidemiology at the London Hospital Medical College in the University of London.

Finally we say goodbye and thanks to Caroline Barrett, Editorial Assistant for the last two years. She is to be replaced by Elizabeth Fairby B.A.(Hons), who we are pleased to welcome.

