

# From the Editor

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When, in future years, we look back upon the history of the EEAG, this will no doubt become known as "the missing issue" of the Newsletter. At least a brief explanation and a big apology are in order. The Newsletter was nearly ready to be duplicated and would have been distributed at the proper time (immediately prior to the 1986 meetings of AAA) except for a brief illness of the typist in that critical period immediately prior to deadline. Once off schedule, hence pressure relieved, and having new news from our annual meeting which seemed important enough to add on, we delayed further. Other pressing professional commitments, a move of residence with many associated requirements of time and energy, health problems which included a stay in the hospital, and the death of my mother made the situation worse and worse. Eventually, the question arose "What now"? Resign quick and head for the Balkan hills?

I decided that the best solution would be a double issue at this time, with Volume 7, Number 1 following soon after, in mid-Winter. I hope this meets with the approval of the membership.

But I now need your help more than ever. First, please pay your dues. Only 57 members had paid dues for 1986-1987 (out of a total of 106 in 1985-1986). Second, please contribute material for publication in the Newsletter: new and forthcoming publications; notices of grants received or proffered; reviews of books or films; requests for assistance; course syllabi and bibliographies; offers to organize symposia; short articles concerning relevant institutions; criticism; suggestions; or what have you. In particular, we would like to publish in the next volume a list of relevant dissertations that have appeared over the last five years. Please send us reference to yours if we have not already mentioned it in the Newsletter. Please include a copy of the abstract. We would also like to print, on a regular basis, more personal notes about the membership. So please send us announcements of births, deaths, marriages, promotions, job changes, and the like. Send them all to the Editor at the address on the masthead. The deadline for Volume 7, Number 1, is December 15, but now is not too soon.