Editorial

THE EDITOR offers his apologies for the delay in publishing this number of the Tyndale House Bulletin. The fact that it is a double number with a new (and we hope improved) format is clearly no defence for late publication, but may perhaps constitute a plea in mitigation of sentence.

The present number is largely devoted to Papers read at the Tyndale Fellowship Conferences of last July. The Editor feels that members of the Fellowship unable to attend those Conferences may be glad to have some account of them; and that those who were present may be glad to be reminded of what they heard. Within the small compass of a publication such as this it is not of course possible to do justice to all the careful and scholarly papers which were read; but the Editor hopes that the present selection may give some impression of the interest and quality of the proceedings. Mr. Kitchen's paper should prove of interest not only to experts in the wide and rapidly expanding field of Ancient Near-Eastern Studies but also to those unacquainted with the urgent relevance of such studies to the understanding of the Old Testament; Mr. Tongue's paper deals with one aspect of a question often debated by thoughtful Christians; and Dr. Holmes' paper illustrates the contribution that can be made to modern Christian thinking by the researches of Historical Theology.