

EDITORIAL

After weathering production difficulties with this Winter issue, we are able to report that the Spring 1975 number is now in press. The Committee on Nursing Papers has established the following schedule of publication:

<u>Issue</u>	<u>1975</u>	<u>Subsequent years</u>
Spring	June 1	February
Summer	July 1	May
Fall	October 1	August
Winter	November 15	November

Nearly every day, subscription orders and inquiries about back issues come to us from readers to whom **Nursing Papers** is a new and welcome addition to nursing literature. Our subscription lists have grown to over 550 readers, with many more in the 95 libraries which now subscribe.

On the debit side of the ledger, however, inflation and a longer average length for each issue have been taking quite a toll. Printing costs for the first four issues of the magazine were \$2102; for the last four, \$4178. For six years, it has been our policy to retain the original price of one dollar per copy. Now, this amount won't even pay the printer. While printing costs have risen steeply in the last year, we have other expenses as well. **Nursing Papers** must be prepared for printing, proofread, addressed, mailed and sometimes invoiced. Several out of print issues have been reprinted as a service to libraries and individuals who require a complete set, a service we wish to continue.

Substantial contributions from the Canadian Association of University Schools of Nursing, from McGill University's School of Nursing, and from its Alumnae Association have maintained **Nursing Papers** as a viable non-profit publication. Academic journals are, by nature, not self-supporting; their audiences have special interests and a limited size. To ask our readers to bear the full cost of printing, editing, mailing and administering the magazine would be unreasonable and inequitable.

However, a modest increase in subscription costs is one way to share a portion of increased costs among those who actually read **Nursing Papers**. For this reason, a new rate of \$1.50 per issue, or \$6.00 per year, will take effect for new subscriptions and renewals beginning in 1975.