

*EDITORIAL*

## Reading and Writing

The impression of a previous editor “. . . that the readership of this journal was of a similar order to that generally attributed to the average scientific paper, that is, two, the author and one other . . .” remains vividly in our mind. We wonder if the balance of readers has changed and whether their views on the editorial content have modified as the Society has matured. It is not intended that this journal should now change radically and if it should change at all, it should be in response to a demand from you the readers for the editorial content you want. We need your views.

Previous editors have also commented on the difficulty of procuring suitable material for publication. There is a tendency among members to think that because a contribution is brief or uncomplicated by statistical computations that it is not fit for publication. This is simply not true and in any case why not consult the editor. It is not desirable that the supply of matter for publication should be the preserve of an elite band of contributors.

We apologise for this tedious re-iteration and our hope is that in the future, secure in the knowledge that an adequate flow of editorial material is forthcoming, we can concentrate upon forestry problems.