

EDITORIAL REMARKS

This issue has a distinctly international flavor both in respect to the authors and their subjects.

Continuing with the double-issue format (Nos. 3 & 4 1994), we include the customary reports from the annual meeting, and the presentations given then. The main speaker of the evening, Rev. Kurt P. Nemitz, showed the role of Leibniz and Wolff in providing the philosophic preparation needed for Swedenborg to be able to assume the role of revelator in the Theological works.

We are very honored to begin the serial publication of the English translation of Dr. Karl-Erik Sjöden's *Swedenborg en France* published in Stockholm in 1985. This translation is the result of the joint efforts of Dr. Sjöden and Mrs. Margaret Y. Gladish.

The existence of this work and of Ernst Benz's *Swedenborg in Deutschland* suggests the possibility of the extension of these into a series "Swedenborg in..." With the considerable body of scholarship already undertaken from many parts of the world, and with current research, the prospect for such a series is good.

Prof. Hans Helander's article was originally presented as a talk at Starbo (Swedenborg's summer estate) to the second "Swedenborg's Sweden" tour led by Dr. and Mrs. J. Durban Odhner and Miss Martha Gyllenhaal in July 1990. In the treatment of Swedenborg's *Festivus applausus* and *Camena borea*, Prof. Helander gives an analysis of these lesser-known early works in historical and geographical contexts.

In Translator's Corner Dr. Odhner presents a continuation of Dr. Florschütz's treatise on Swedenborg and Kant. This section, dealing with Swedenborg's seership from Kant's critical cognitive theory, addresses fundamental epistemological questions related to knowledge of the transcendental world.

Notes and Comments carries further thoughts on church history from Rev. Erik E. Sandstrom who qualifies his earlier stance on some issues in the light of new evidence. Not enough has been done in relating archeological and anthropological evidence to the spiritual history of mankind as presented in Swedenborg's works. We very much appreciate Rev. Sandstrom's continuing efforts in this field.