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From the editor

I'm sorry to be late in getting out my first number of Daltoniana, but I've been very busy moving to Boston where I've been appointed to the Boston University Medical School faculty as Research Professor in Ophthalmology. I am temporarily continuing to work in Houston one week each month, so I am quite busy. Therefore, this will be an abbreviated issue and I hope to get up a full issue within the next two or three months.

I plan certain changes, about which I would like your comments before implementing them. There will be a change in the length of the pages, forced by American usage. I propose to publish abstracts only if sent to me by the authors. I feel that there are many other sources from which to keep up with the literature. I propose to institute a letters to the editor or commentary column (suggest to me which), as a forum for discussing current issues in color vision, color vision testing, color appearance and ophthalmological disorders which affect color vision or are diagnosed by color vision changes. Also, commentary on the planning, format, content of our meetings and publications would be welcome. I hope to publish one or two such letters or commentaries each issue and would hope that they will stir up some controversy among members which would extend through several issues of Daltoniana. There will continue to be news and announcements of the IRGCVD and its committees.

News from the Treasury

We took over the treasury at the beginning of the year, and by now you should have received your dues notice for 1996. Many thanks to those who have already paid - those who have not yet paid should do so as soon as possible to avoid time and expense. If you have problems sending us the money, please let us know, so that we can make other arrangements. We would like to stress that those who presented a paper at the Pau Symposium, must have paid their membership for 1995 to have the paper published in the forthcoming Proceedings volume.

To obtain the Proceedings volume, members must pay not only for 1995, but also for 1996 or, if they decline to renew their membership in 1996, a special volume supplement.

We have at the moment 255 member names on our list, 10 of whom responded to our CVNet advertising.

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Election for Directorial Committee

As reported by Jack Moreland, General Secretary of the IRGCVD, the postal election for the 10 places on the Directorial Committee was complete in February. There were 58 returns of which 7 were invalid (by reason of unpaid dues). Some returns contained fewer than 10 votes. According to Jack, "while the vote was not strictly secret, as before, I did not scrutinize the returns myself: the count being made by a teller (my secretary) who is not an IRGCVD member.

The ten successful candidates (with votes in parentheses) are Pokorny (44), Knobloch (39), Sperling (37), Mollon (36), Cavonius (35), Zrenner (34), Birch (32), Sharpe (31), Dain (28), and Kitahara (27).

Tony Adams, who tied with Kenji Kitahara, stepped down in his favor.

Those elected join the Directorial Committee for the term 1996-2000. The terms of office of the President and General Secretary will end in 1997.

The officers of the Group are:

President: Andre' Roth
General Secretary: Jack Moreland
Editor, Proceedings: Dick Cavonius
Editor, *Daltoniana*: Harry Sperling

Thanks are due to the retiring and former members of the committee: Tony Adams, Bruce Drum, Jean Leid and Marion Marre' and to all those now re-elected for all their endeavors on behalf of

the Group.

Thanks are due also to the other candidates, Tony Adams, Jan Keunen, Anne Kurtenbach, Tony Moreland, Bill Swanson and Francoise Vienot for participating in the election.

Announcements

The third annual JERMOV (The Joint European Research Meetings in Ophthalmology and Vision) will take place October 9-13 in Montpellier, France. As before, the programs and abstracts of the meeting will be published as a supplement to Vision Research. Jermov is an organization established to serve the different European societies for ophthalmology and vision research. to provide a forum for all members of these societies and non-members alike to meet together at a single venue.

More information and applications can be obtained from:

JERMOV
Chairman, Congres
43, Place Vauban -BP9173
34042 Montpellier Cedex 1
(France)

The Color Science Association of Japan announces AIC Color97 Kyoto (International Conference of the International Association of Colour) to take place as follows:

May 25 (Sunday) to May 30 (Friday), 1997

Kyoto International Conference Hall (KCIH)

Access: new Kansai International Airport (24 hr. Operation) with direct train to Kyoto or Bullet Train from Tokyo (2 ½ hr. trip)

Tentativer Schedule:

May 25 (Sunday)	Registration and welcome party
26 (Monday)	Opening ceremony Invited lecture Technical Sessions
27 (Tuesday)	Technical Sessions
28 (Wednesday)	One day excursion to Nara, Osaka
29 (Thursday)	General Assembly

Poster Sessions
Exhibition
30 (Friday) Technical Sessions
Closing Ceremony
Several other attractive programs are being prepared.

Further information is available from

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In Memoriam

Glenn A. Fry died early in 1996. He was a long time member of the IRGCVD. He was born in Wellford, South Carolina in 1908, graduated from Davidson College in 1929 and received M.A. and Ph.D. degrees from Duke University in experimental psychology. He held honorary doctorates from the Illinois and Pennsylvania Colleges of Optometry and from The University of Munich. He was Professor of Physiological Optics and Director of The School of Optometry at The Ohio State University from 1945 to 1966, when he was named Regents Professor. He received the Tilyer Medal of the Optical Society of America, 1961; the Prentice Award of the American Optometric Society, 1964 and The Gold Medal of the Illuminating Engineering Society, 1969. Dr. Fry worked on color, acuity and accommodation and convergence aspects of vision. He supervised the dissertations of many prominent vision researchers, including Mathew Alpern and Jay Enoch.

Mathew Alpern died in May, 1996. He was a long time member of the IRGCVD. He was born in Akron, Ohio in 1920. He graduated from the University of Florida in mechanical engineering and received the Ph.D. in physics in 1950 from the Ohio State University. He held an honorary doctorate from the State University of New York, the Friedenwald Award of the Association for Research in Vision and Ophthalmology, the Tilyer Medal of the Optical Society of America, the Senior Scientific Investigator Award of the Research to Prevent Blindness and the Prentice Medal of the American Academy of Optometry. He was a member of the U.S. National Academy of Sciences. His research was in electrophysiology of the retina, color vision, color matching and color blindness, the directional sensitivity of the retina and the visual pigments in normal and color deficient eyes.