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We shall miss Hilary Seal for his professional contributions. His family and his friends will miss him for much more.

H. U. GERBER

EDITORIAL

This is the last issue of *Astin Bulletin* to be published under my editorship. Hans Bühlmann and D. Harry Reid will take on the editorial responsibilities from the next issue onwards. Their addresses can be found in the *Instructions to Authors* on the inside back cover.

I feel privileged to have served as Editor of the *Astin Bulletin*, a job which I have done for almost eight years now. It brought me into contact with authors and papers and also enabled me to read referees' reports. I am confident that these inputs have influenced my own thinking on insurance matters in a positive way. It is an experience which I am glad to have had and I take this opportunity to thank all the people involved; authors, referees, members of the Editorial Board as well as the membership of Astin for having confidence in me.