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I am pleased to introduce, in these pages, our three new associate editors—Love (since July) and Gurin and Smith (since November). I also wish to thank our continuing three—Fischell, Goda, and Ragan—for their unselfish devotion of time and talent to the job. As a group, we, the technical editors, express, for ourselves and in your behalf, our heartfelt thanks to Ruth Bryans, Norma Herrin Brennan (who found a new career at home), Susan Gritz, and all of the staff, who have worked tirelessly and very effectively to get us this far and will toil even harder for our larger journal this year.

Let me close by saying that our only aim is to produce a journal that will accomplish, as well as possible, the dual aims

of being 1) of maximum current value and usefulness to you, and 2) of lasting value in the archive literature. Our acceptance procedures [as stated in the first issue of each journal last year, e.g., JSR 2, 128 (1965)] are designed to do this in the best way, for AIAA, that we have been able to develop to date. No system is perfect, of course, and we are painfully aware of the occasional lapses or failures in ours. For our mistakes, we humbly apologize; for your counsel as reviewers and/or understanding and admirable cooperation as authors, we are grateful. Your constructive suggestions regarding any aspect of our operations will be warmly received and seriously considered.

G. L. Dugger  
*Editor-in-Chief*

### Reviewers for the *Journal of Spacecraft and Rockets*, 1965

WE take this annual opportunity to acknowledge, with great pleasure, the assistance received from reviewers. Conscientious review and constructive criticism of our papers is a vital part of our system, as indicated in our "Acceptance Procedure for Archive Journals of AIAA," which appeared in the first issue of each of our journals in 1965.

Thoughtful, detailed reviews are sincerely appreciated by both the authors and the editors. Every comment made by a reviewer is carefully considered. If the editors decide that

a paper should be published (or rejected) against the advice of a reviewer, it is done only after all evidence from the other reviewer(s) and the author has been carefully weighed. Even in such cases, you probably will recognize that the quality of the accepted paper(s) has been improved as a result of your enlightened criticism.

For the help you gave us in 1965 and may give us in 1966 and in future years, we say a very warm "thank you."

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