

Editorial

This issue of *Kierkegaardiana* begins with discussions of problems related to subjectivity and the self in specific works by and about Kierkegaard. Both Alastair Hannay and Arne Grøn engage in an extended discussion with Michael Theunissen's interpretation of despair in *The Sickness Unto Death*, especially as it is expressed in Theunissen's recent book *Der Begriff Verzweiflung*. Hannay investigates the issue of which form of despair is properly viewed as "basic", and in an examination of Kierkegaard's text and of Theunissen's recent and earlier works, Grøn also takes issue with Theunissen's "correction" of Kierkegaard. The problem of the self's relation to itself is also central to Walter R. Dietz' examination of Kierkegaard's works, in particular *The Concept of Anxiety* and *The Sickness Unto Death*, in his investigation of the similarities and dissimilarities between Kierkegaard and Augustine with respect to their views of the self's relation to itself and to God. The discussion of Kierkegaard's treatment of subjectivity is rounded out with Kjell Eyvind Johansen's investigation of the problem of knowledge in *Works of Love*.

Several articles investigate theological issues in Kierkegaard's work. Hiroshi Fujino criticizes the "stages-based" reading of Kierkegaard. Bruce H. Kirmmse investigates Kierkegaard's changing treatment of Jews and Judaism. And the anthropological and epistemological presuppositions underlying Løgstrup's critique of Kierkegaard are discussed by Gunnar M. Karlsen. The articles are concluded with Eberhard Harbsmeier's historical survey of German translations of Kierkegaard. In addition to book reviews, the present issue of *Kierkegaardiana* also includes the latest installment of Aage Jørgensen's continuing Kierkegaard bibliography. We would be grateful for information concerning gaps in the bibliography and about new publications. Please send information and, if possible, offprints to the editorial address.

We are pleased to note the establishment of the Søren Kierkegaard Research Centre, founded at the University of Copenhagen by the Danish National Research Foundation. One of the principal tasks of the Research Centre is the production of a new critical edition of

all Kierkegaard's writings, both his published works and his unpublished papers, and another of the Centre's goals is to sponsor advanced research into selected topics related to Kierkegaard. The Research Centre and the Theological Faculty's Department of Søren Kierkegaard Research share many facilities and personnel, and the cordial relations we enjoy will make for very exciting scholarly discourse for years to come. The Department of Kierkegaard Research, the Kierkegaard Research Centre, and the Søren Kierkegaard Society hope to be able to sponsor a major Kierkegaard conference and cultural celebration, "Kierkegaard Days in Copenhagen", in May 1996. We will send more information to subscribers when it becomes available.

With this issue of *Kierkegardiana* we are happy to welcome Bruce H. Kirmmse to the editorial board. Kirmmse has accepted a two-year visiting appointment at the Theological Faculty as Acting Director of the Department of Søren Kierkegaard Research. This is the last issue of *Kierkegardiana* for which Julia Watkin will be on the editorial board. She has left Copenhagen in order to accept a position at the University of Tasmania in Australia. Julia Watkin gave many years of fine service to Kierkegaard scholarship in Copenhagen, and she will be missed by many. We wish her well in her new position.