

Society News and Notes

Membership 1977-78

All members have been invited to continue their support into 1977-78; if you have not already done so, will you please respond quickly. And if you can extend the membership by personal proselytizing, we shall be very grateful.

Dr. R. L. Marshall, OBE, MA

The Society offers warm congratulations to its newest President, Dr. R. L. Marshall, on the honorary degrees of M.A. awarded by the Open University on 30th April and of D.Litt. conferred by Loughborough University of Technology on 7th July 1977.

Secretary and Treasurer: Dr. R. Houlton

And now for the better news! Dr. Houlton in succeeding Dr. Marshall as Chief Education Officer and Principal of the College has also agreed to serve as Secretary and Treasurer of the Society. All members will share in the good wishes and confidence expressed to him by the national officers.

Future Bulletins

It is envisaged that Bulletin 31 will deal with the national services required by retail societies in the present and in the calculable future and with the question of organising those services effectively. This will take into account, of course, the reports of the Special Committee on the 'Single National Federation' and should be published in December 1977. Bulletin 32 should deal with the development of Co-operative non-food trades, including the organisational problems this raises. We hope to publish this by early March 1978 as a basis for the Annual Conference of the Society on 17th-18th March at the College.