

ANNOUNCEMENTS

This number contains the text of The Janet Semple Lecture, delivered by Professor Roy Porter (Wellcome Institute for the History of Medicine) and papers by Dr Michael Quinn (University College London) and Dr David Eastwood (Pembroke College, Oxford) on Bentham's poor law writings and the debates on the poor law in early nineteenth-century England. The papers and lecture were delivered at University College London on 26 November 1993 as part of the memorial meeting for Dr Janet Semple. The editor is grateful to those involved for producing final texts at short notice for *Utilitas*.

Final plans for the ISUS conference in Tokyo on 27–29 August 1994 have now been made. The conference will be held at Chuo University and is being organized by Professor Yoshio Nagai of Hitotsubashi University. Further details are available from Professor Nagai (Centre for Historical Social Science Literature, Hitotsubashi University, Kunitachi, Tokyo, Japan, tel: 0425-72-1101; fax: 0425-73-3016) or from the Honorary Secretary, Dr Philip Schofield (Bentham Project, University College London, Gower Street, London WC1E 6BT, United Kingdom).