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EDITOR'S COMMENTS

This issue of ARCH is devoted to the written presentations given at the Actuarial Research Conference on Statistical Estimation With Emphasis on Robust and Bayesian Procedures, held at the University of Iowa, Iowa City, Iowa, September 6-8, 1979.

The Conference was jointly sponsored by the Committee on Research of the Society of Actuaries and the Department of Statistics of the University of Iowa. Stuart Klugman and Aaron Tenenbein organized the conference. This was the fourteenth annual actuarial research conference sponsored by the Society of Actuaries.

An overview of the conference presentations and discussions is given by Stuart Klugman in the first paper of this issue. The presentations appearing in the remainder of the issue vary greatly in form, content, focus, length, relative amounts of textual and tabular material, and biographical detail. The reader is encouraged to review the material within his range of interest, and to explore any thoughts or questions directly with the respective authors.

