Cost of The Journal

The timely editorial that appeared under this title in a recent issue of The Journal (35 (1967) 513-515), followed by the statement of income and expenditure of the International Leprosy Association for the past financial year, must give all the members reason to think.

The increase in cost of The Journal to nonmembers, and the increase in the number of members, have together failed to close the gap between rising costs and lagging income.

The Council of the Association will be considering this serious situation at its meetings scheduled to be held on the occasion of the September (1968) Congress. Meanwhile, I should be glad to receive from members any suggestions that might be studied by the Council for covering the

costs of the Association; its main item of expenditure is concerned with production of The Journal.

We should have long ago ceased to exist as an Association, and the International Journal of Leprosy would have been still-born, or, if it had only seen the light of day, would have been stunted and puny but for the magnificent and continued help furnished by the Leonard Wood Memorial and, latterly, the American Leprosy Missions, Inc.

The time has come for a reappraisal of the situation, and for the adoption of radical life-saving measures.

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