

NOTES FROM THE PRESIDENT

An Apology and Explanation

ARSC is a volunteer organization that functions through the efforts and good will of members who spend many hours of their own time making the association work.

In 1984 ARSC had three Journal Editors and two Executive Directors, two of the most important jobs in the association. These changes have been a learning process for all of us. The delay in sending out this issue of the Journal was due, in part, to these circumstances.

The delay has also been caused by an unfortunate controversy over Tom Owen's article "Fifty Questions on Audio Restoration and Transfer Technology," which was published in Volume XV, No. 2-3. The parties in this controversy--Mr. Owen, Mr. Michael Lane of Lane Audio & Records, Mr. Richard Burns of Packburn Electronics, Inc., and the Association--have each retained counsel to bring this matter to a fair and equitable conclusion. In the meantime, the Association has decided to publish this issue of the Journal now and publish the results of the negotiations now in progress in the next issue, Volume XVI, No. 3. We apologize to our readers for the delay in publishing this Journal.

In May, Deborah Richardson of Howard University, Washington, D.C., will take office as the new ARSC Executive Director, following the resignation of Tom Owen in September of 1984. Until then, a temporary committee of Washington-based members will be handling the day-to-day chores of the association, including automating our administrative files and the production of the Journal.

I hope you will bear with us as we regain the momentum we lost during 1984. I will be doing everything within my power as President to see to it that we are renewed and improved in 1985.



Michael Gray
President