

Editorial

Sixpence is a small price for any magazine of over forty pages.

In 1960 the PRISON SERVICE JOURNAL was started at that price, in answer to requests from within the Prison Service for an In-Service magazine which would be easily available to everyone.

Costs continue to rise and it is necessary to raise the price by another sixpence.

Formerly twice-yearly publication has meant distribution problems for both Her Majesty's Stationery Office and the newsagents, but the new quarterly issues will enable the Journal to be sold more easily, through the trade, to members of the public interested in penal matters, and we look forward to welcoming more of these readers.

Each January, April, July and October, we aim to offer a Journal twice as popular as before and costing only three shillings for four issues—still a small price for the varied reading offered.

The Journal is read by over two-thirds of the staff, and many more copies are sold to schools, universities, and readers in related fields of work. We do not aim to sell thousands more, but we do want the Service and its friends to have this magazine as cheaply as we can afford to produce it.

In wishing our readers a happy New Year in 1963, we would hope to maintain the standard of the first five issues and, as the new numbers come to you, to encourage every reader to take a personal interest in the journal of the Service in which they are professionally involved and interested.

The Editorial Board will be heartened as much by your comments as by your continued support.