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**CHARLES BOWEN**

It is with enormous sadness that we must announce to our readers that Charles Bowen, who has steered FSR so ably and so tenaciously since Volume 10, No. 6 (November/December 1964), is ill and has been obliged to retire from the Editorship. Since we are now into Volume 28, No. 3, the greatness of his achievement in carrying FSR so far must be obvious to all.

As our Mail-Bag amply proves, there are folk all over the world for whom Charles Bowen *IS* FSR, and there could be no greater tribute than that.

We are sure that all our friends and readers everywhere will join wholeheartedly with the FSR team in thanking Charles for his great services to us over so many years and for his wise guidance and his determination to stick to a middle course. But, more than that, we shall all join together in wishing him a speedy recovery from his illness, so that he may long continue as a much honoured and valued member of our Little Band.

Charles is fortunate in that he has a large and close-knit family, including of course several grandchildren, and all of us who have had anything to do with FSR know from our own experience how much of family life inevitably has to be sacrificed when it comes to keeping a journal like ours rolling with such small resources in money and manpower. Here's to you, then, Charles, in the knowledge that, while FSR loses, your family will gain, and in the hope that you will enjoy a full return to health and many more years of happiness with them!

**A GUEST — EDITORIAL**

THOSE of us who have had years of experience in the study and investigation of the UFO Phenomenon know all about dishonest and deliberately slanted TV and radio programmes. These do not upset us overmuch, and we usually prefer to devote what time and resources we have to getting on with the job.

Thus we had not thought, ourselves, of wasting time or breath or valuable space on discussing the latest Masterpiece from the Mendacious Brigade, but it so happens that this Masterpiece has recently also been shown in the United States, as part of a group of programmes known there as the NOVA series, and the Elder Statesman and Doyen of our subject, no less a person than Dr. J. Allen Hynek himself, has already seen fit to devote an Editorial to it in his own Journal, the *International UFO Reporter*, Vol. 7, No. 6 (Nov./Dec. 1982). Moreover, he has very kindly sent us the text of the Editorial and suggested that we might like to use it too.