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EDITORIAL

COMING NEXT

The PROCEEDINGS OF THE J.R.R. TOLKIEN CENTENARY CONFERENCE 1992

If all goes as hoped, we are happy to at last announce that the next issue of *Mythlore* will be the most unique issue in its history. It will be the *Proceedings* of the J.R.R. Tolkien Centenary Conference, held in Oxford, England in 1992. This formidable publication will be more than 400 pages, and will contain about fifty-five papers. Of these six will be on *The Lord of the Rings*, two on *The Silmarillion*, seven on the History of Middle-earth, twenty on Tolkien generally, six on Recollections and Appreciations, eight on Tolkien and other writers, seven on the lighter side and on other non-Tolkien topics.

The cost of producing this *Proceedings* is far beyond the annual budget of *Mythlore*, yet amazingly all *Mythlore* subscribers will receive a copy at no increase in their subscription fees. If anyone is due to expire with this issue, be sure to send in your membership and subscription renewal without delay. The price of a single copy of the *Proceedings* as a back issue will rise considerably after its regular mailing. If you know anyone who has let their subscription lapse, please urge them to renew without delay to benefit from this usual offer. Needless to say, the next issue will not be available at the usual single copy price.

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Because the cost of this special *Proceedings* will be far beyond that of a regular issue of *Mythlore*, in order to help defray the increased costs, we are making some other issues of *Mythlore* a bit smaller this year. But what we reduce here cannot be compared to what is to be added to the *Proceedings*, which will be a singularly unique monument in the field of Tolkien studies for many years to come.

Producing the *Proceedings* is a joint effort, and a huge undertaking. As the 1992 Conference was jointly sponsored by the Mythopoeic Society and the (British) Tolkien Society, so is this proceedings. Patricia Reynolds is the co-editor of the *Proceedings*, which is being produced as a joint issue of both *Mythlore* and *Mallorn*. I think the material it will contain will please and inform all who read and love Tolkien.

— Glen GoodKnight