

## FOREWORD

The University of Western Ontario Philosophy Colloquium was inaugurated November, 1966, with the support of The Canada Council and University College, UWO, as the first regular meeting of professional philosophers convened on Canadian soil, drawn from the entire English-speaking world. We had hoped to provide (and believe we succeeded in providing) a Canadian setting for exchanges among specialists, that would serve at once as a high international forum at home and as an introduction abroad of the work of Canadian professionals.

The formal papers included in this our first series, under the heading 'Fact and Existence', have been duly revised since their presentation at the Colloquium. Also, in a number of instances, it has proved useful to include some comments from the floor on particular issues, to which the initial symposium speakers have expressed a wish to respond; their Replies have been addressed as well to their commentators, in the interest of rounding out the exchange.

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