"... many Australians will conclude that Australian Left Review is simply the successor to the now defunct Communist Review. It would, I believe, be premature to jump to such an easy conclusion.

"On the evidence of the first issue, Australian Left Review still has a long way to go."

John Playford writing in *Lot’s Wife*, student paper, Monash University, 12/7/66.

"... for my part I am disappointed in what the editors call the ‘feel’ of the magazine.

"An objective assessment of reader response to the ALR and the defunct Communist Review is also needed."


(The circulation of ALR already exceeds by a good margin that of Communist Review — Ed.)

"ALR 2 is another step—one might say a leap—forward and outward from the position of the old Communist Review.

"This is shown alike by the breadth of the contributions, the range they cover and the freedom with which the writers express themselves."


"... the misty vale of sentiment which spreads from Australian Left Review . . . ."


"... the Left Review is a fully opportunistic, revisionist journal, Khru-shchovian in every sense, and, therefore, despoils the facts, suppresses the truth . . . ."

*The Australian Communist*, No. 21.

"I look forward to receiving the ALR in future and I join with others in hoping that it doesn’t become too highbrow."

(Extract from a letter received by ALR from a correspondent wanting to join the Communist Party).

"... we were at first somewhat doubtful about changing the name to Australian Left Review. However, we have already accustomed ourselves to the change and consider it will have a wider appeal and be the means of attracting a wider circle of readers than was possible with the old C. R."

Mr. and Mrs. M., Queensland.

"It is indeed pleasing to note from your editorial that ALR No. 1 has its bulk circulation among trade unionists. I am of the opinion that it should include practical articles on just how socialism would be of benefit to Australians right now."

G. B., Victoria.

"I was very pleased with copy No. 2 and thought that the article by Pat Clancy on Trade Unions was excellent and most relevant to the current situation in Australia."

—T.Y., N.S.W.