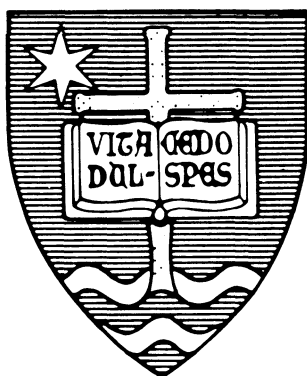


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## Editorial

The last issue of the *Notre Dame Journal of Formal Logic* (Volume 23, number 2) included six articles on Semantics for Natural Languages, which together we intended to present influential contributions to the discussion and elucidation of important proposals available in the field:

1. "Cognitive science and the twin-earth problem" by J. A. Fodor
2. "Intention-based semantics" by S. Schiffer
3. "Meaning and interpretation" by M. Root and J. Wallace
4. "Common sense in semantics" by J. J. Katz
5. "Game-theoretic semantics: Insights and prospects" by J. J. Hintikka
6. "Conceptual role semantics" by G. Harman

Each contributor was specifically requested to provide a clear statement of what his primary data is, of what the significance, both empirical and theoretical, of what his formalism is, and of which problems he intended to solve by his proposal. Therefore, on the bases of these articles, a reader's choices about what to teach, research, and of course, what to believe, should be made more intelligently.

In the present issue, there are nine comments on these six articles. Here the aim is less to introduce and more to aid a reader in investigating the relationships of each approach to what is seen as its competitors. Informed choices are not based solely on presentations of problems and proposed solutions for them, but instead on critical evaluations of these proposals as well: what aspects of each approach makes it superior to, inferior to, or combinable with other approaches in the field. The comments included here are intended to serve this purpose.

Ernest LePore