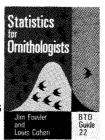
EDITOR'S NOTE

This issue of *The Condor* sports a new size and cover. These changes are due to editorial decisions and to actions taken by the Board of Directors at the most recent annual meeting of the Cooper Ornithological Society. The board voted for format revisions in *The Condor* that would reduce production costs significantly. These included changes in paper size and weight and in type size. They also voted to increase the budget for printing costs. The aim in both cases was to permit an increase in the number of papers published in each issue.

So the new cover does not portend a change in direction of *The Condor*, the orientation of the logo notwithstanding. It is our expectation, rather, that it be taken as a sign of renewed vitality and commitment. *The Condor* will remain devoted to the publication of scientific investigations of birds, particularly those of western North America and the Neotropics. But its growth, without reduction in standards, should serve to increase its value to both our contributors and readers

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