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As the second year of publications begins, we face steadily rising printing costs. The growth of California Birds will depend not only on the continued support of all of our current membership, but also on the recruitment of new members. We solicit your help in this task.

Our most difficult problem to date has been one of obtaining a backlog of material for publication to keep California Birds on schedule. It is perhaps typical of new journals that initially much of the content must be authored by the editors, but hopefully more of our readers will contribute the results of their particular studies to fill future issues. Broader authorship benefits not only the readers, who profit from the wider range of ideas and knowledge, but also the prospective author, since the preparation of a manuscript is a rewarding learning experience. Any of the editors will gladly assist those who have data which they consider appropriate for California Birds but who are not sure how to prepare it for publication.

Lastly, we hope that our readers will continue to offer constructive criticism, for it is with this input that we can most effectively advance the study of field ornithology.

CORRIGENDUM

The Editors apologize for an inadvertent mistake in California Birds 1, 3. The Le Conte's Thrasher photographs credited to Herbert Clarke on page 91 were in fact taken by Arnold Small. We are thankful to Mr. Clarke for pointing out the error.