

NEW PUBLICATION PLANS FOR THE SOCIETY

For a number of years we have tried unsuccessfully to have *The Lepidopterists' News* play two roles: 1) to publish original papers, abstracts, and other material intended to be of permanent reference value to all lepidopterists; and 2) to carry "newsy" matter (notices by members, personalia, lists of new members, nominations, announcements of meetings, etc.), appearing frequently enough to provide information while fresh. In volume 1 we succeeded with role 2; in volume 10 we succeeded with role 1. After our long struggle to do *both*, it is clear that the present periodical has failed in this. A new approach is therefore proposed.

In a few words, we are proposing to have two periodicals: a) one economically mimeographed or multilithed, of 2 to 4 pages (sometimes more if desired), coming out every six weeks, under a new editor and containing material of great immediate interest but not requiring permanent record, to be known as *News of the Lepidopterists' Society*; and b) a new name, *Journal of the Lepidopterists' Society* for the presently mis-named "*News*", but with no major change in format, content, size, or editors, but to be an avowed and actual quarterly journal of about 64 pages each issue. In the latter, papers up to 20 pages would be permitted (present limit is 12, recently 10), and notices by members, lists of new members, nominations, etc., would be transferred to the new *News*. The new *News* probably would have the date, but no volume designation. The new *Journal*, being in fact the continuation of the present *News*, would continue the present volume numbering (*i. e.*, the *Journal* beginning with volume 13).

These changes require certain Constitutional amendments, which must be voted upon by the Society membership. Three other amendments are also needed and are being submitted at the same time, one providing for a new *Memoir* series, for single works much longer than the papers we now publish. The first number will be the long awaited *dos Passos* Checklist of North American butterflies, for which publication funds are already in hand.

The proposed amendments are as follows:

1. In Art. III, Secs. 2 and 5, substitute "the *Journal* and the *News of the Lepidopterists' Society*" for "*The Lepidopterists' News*."
2. In Art. V, Secs. 1 and 3, and Art. XII, Secs. 1 and 2, substitute "one of the Society's periodicals" for "*The Lepidopterists' News*".
3. In Art. VI, Sec. 3 substitute "he shall be a member of the Executive Council unless none is present, in which event another member of the Society may be elected." for "of the members . . . among themselves."
4. Replace old Art. VIII with the following:

"Article VIII. PUBLICATIONS

"Section 1. The Society shall publish a periodical to be known as the "*Journal of the Lepidopterists' Society*", a continuation of *The Lepidopterists' News*. The *Journal* shall be devoted to original papers, literature abstracts, and other matter of permanent record. Each volume shall be issued for a calendar year, the number of numbers to be fixed by the Editors in consultation with the President and the Secretary. In it shall be published a summary of the proceedings of the annual meetings."

"Section 2. The Society shall also issue a periodical to be known as "*News of the Lepidopterists' Society*", which shall be devoted primarily to notices by members, lists of new members, announcements of nominations, committee appointments, forthcoming meetings, and other matter of interest to members but not requiring permanent record. It shall appear at more frequent intervals than the *Journal*. A list of members of the Society shall be issued at least every second year."

Section 3. The Society may issue from time to time serial publications to be known as "*Memoirs of the Lepidopterists' Society*" to contain longer works than are normal for the *Journal* and the *News*. This shall be financed by special funds, not by the annual dues, and shall be sold separately to members, at a lower price than to non-members."

5. Replace old Art. IX with the following:

"Article IX. EDITORIAL BOARD

"*Section 1.* The publications of the Society shall be under the charge of an Editorial Board, consisting of the Editor-in-Chief (chairman), the Editor of the *News*, and the three Associate Editors of the *Journal*, and such additional members as may be appointed by the Editor-in-Chief in consultation with the other four editors. The Editor-in-Chief shall be Editor of the *Journal* and the *Memoirs*.

"*Section 2.* The Editor-in-Chief shall be elected by the Executive Council for the term of three years, and he may be re-elected. He shall appoint the other four editors in consultation with the President and the Secretary."

6. Art. X, Sec. 1, delete "and the Editor-in-Chief."

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The following have been nominated to fill the 1959 vacancies among the Society officers:

<i>President:</i>	EUGENE G. MUNROE (Canada)
<i>1st Vice President:</i>	Z. LORKOVIC (Yugoslavia)
<i>Vice President:</i>	J. OTTICICA FO. (Brasil)
<i>Vice President:</i>	DON B. STALLINGS (U. S. A.)
<i>Treasurer:</i>	GEORGE EHLE (U. S. A.)
<i>Exec. Committee:</i>	C. A. CLARKE (United Kingdom)
	GEORGE W. RAWSON (U. S. A.)

The Nominating Committee, appointed by President RILEY, included: FRANCIS HEMMING (Chairman), R. H. T. MATTONI, and FREDERICK H. RINDGE. All Society members will be sent ballots shortly.

