

This issue of *Atmosphere* is the last in its present format. *Atmosphere* will be replaced by ATMOSPHERE-OCEAN at the beginning of volume 16. In addition to the change of name, which is the result of our Society having formally incorporated the Canadian oceanographic community, we are taking this opportunity to make certain physical and administrative changes arising out of the continuing development of our journal.

The new Editor in liaison with Council will institute a number of modifications in the administrative structure and composition of the Editorial Board from that at present (see inside front cover). These entail a formal recognition of the special responsibilities of certain members of the Board. In the future there will be an Editor, a Deputy Editor, a Technical Editor, a Book Review Editor and a number of Associate Editors. The criteria governing these appointments will be those of expertise in branches of meteorology and oceanography, balanced regional and linguistic representation, and to a lesser degree ease of communication within the Board, and with the printers.

In response to the expressed wishes of the expanded readership the physical appearance of the journal will be modified and we think improved. The cover will be re-designed to visually express the combined interests of our Society in the atmosphere and the oceans. We may also make certain alterations to the page size, the binding, the typesetting format and the inclusion of abstracts in both English and French. The final decisions will, however, have to be strongly influenced by the costs of production.

On the other hand, the editorial policy will remain unchanged. ATMOSPHERE-OCEAN will be the medium of our Society for the publication of the results of original research, survey articles, essays, book reviews, notes and correspondence in all fields of the atmospheric and oceanographic sciences. Foreign contributions in either English or French will continue to be welcomed and it is hoped that Canadians will use ATMOSPHERE-OCEAN as a primary vehicle for the dissemination of their work to the international scientific community.