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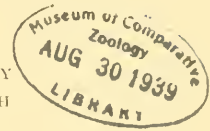
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This publication, to be known as THE GREAT BASIN NATURALIST, will contain in the main the results of investigations dealing with the fauna of the Intermountain States. It has been apparent for some time that such a publication would be of service, as an outlet for the results of research, to the workers at the Brigham Young University, as well as other investigators of this region. It will also help to make more available to students the printed results of studies relating to the natural history of the Rocky Mountain States. For years papers have been published in various periodicals in this country many of which are not accessible to the students of the universities, junior colleges, and to the same extent the museums. The fauna of this region is far from being well known. The natural habitats are fast becoming changed due to grazing of livestock, agricultural activities, forest fires, and floods. Civilization is bound to bring about radical ecological changes, and the extinction of many of the endemic species. Reports upon collections that have been made, and the results of field studies, should be recorded. It will be our policy, therefore, to publish finished research papers, progress reports, and notes dealing with the physiology, morphology, ecology, and taxonomy of the animal and plant life of this region.

Numbers of this publication will be printed as the studies and manuscripts are completed. When the volume has reached a sufficient size, contents and indices will be prepared.

THE GREAT BASIN NATURALIST will be sent to universities, libraries, and museums. Exchanges of an equal nature are desired and should be sent to *Editor, The Great Basin Naturalist, Brigham Young University, Provo, Utah.*

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