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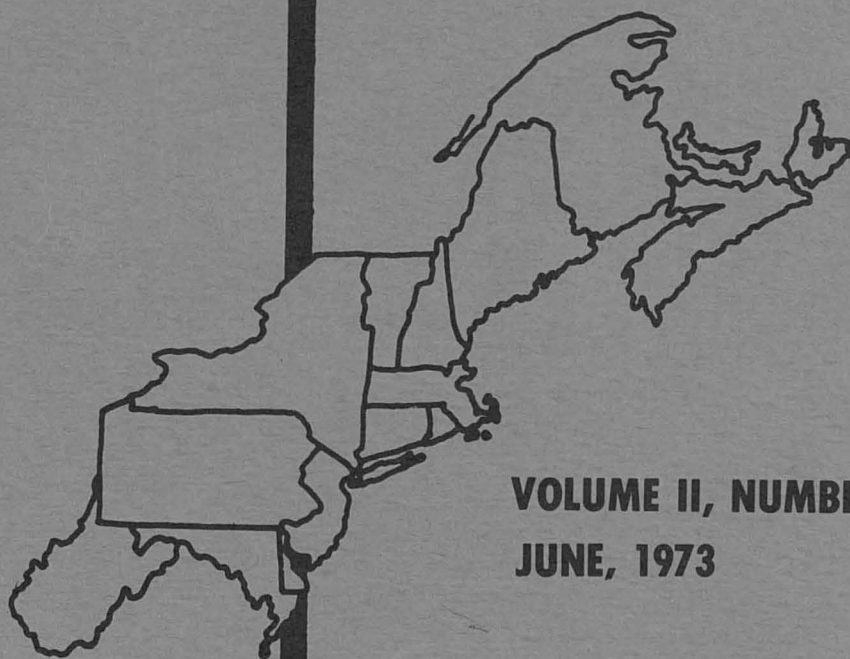
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THE EDITOR'S TURN

This is the second issue of the Journal of the Northeastern Agricultural Economics Council. It is your Editor's first experience with the trials of putting together a "refereed" Journal. As one who has had manuscripts rejected by other editors, I can fully appreciate the feelings of those who received refusal letters from me. I also appreciate more fully the problems of other editors who must deal with larger numbers of manuscripts and critical time schedules. With all its trials, however, this role has been both stimulating and challenging.

For this issue of the Journal we received fifteen submissions of which five are published. Several others were returned to authors with suggestions for substantial revision and resubmission. We suspect the relatively small number of submissions is due to the fact that during the same period of time the Council was also accepting papers for the annual meetings. We anticipate that this problem will be alleviated with the new publication schedule.

I would like to acknowledge the help of the Editorial Board in screening these papers. Without their willing and able assistance my job would have been much more difficult. I must also thank my secretary Darleen Slys for her help on all the correspondence involved. Finally, my thanks to N. Eugene Engel who as an understanding department head and friend has tolerated my activities as Editor.