

Editorial

This is the first issue of the *Journal of Climate and Applied Meteorology* under its new title. In subsequent issues, papers on both basic and applied aspects of climate research will appear together with the applied meteorology and technology papers that have traditionally appeared in this journal.

The articles that form the special section on drought in this issue are the outgrowth of a symposium presented at the annual meeting of the American Association for the Advancement of Science in January 1982.

We hope that these papers on a subject of great importance to both the United States and global economies will be of interest and informative to our readers. We plan to have future special sections devoted to topics of particular interest to the climate research community.

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