



**PRESIDENT L. C. COLE**

The new president of the Ecological Society, LaMont C. Cole, was born in Chicago in 1916. He received an A.B. degree in physics from the University of Chicago, then changed to ecology and, from the University of Utah, received an M.S. degree and his wife Ann. Returning to Chicago, he became in 1944 the first person to receive a Ph.D. under Thomas Park, the 1958 president of ESA.

He served for two years as an officer in the U. S. Public Health Service and then joined the faculty of Indiana University for two years. In 1948 he moved to Cornell University where he became professor of zoology in 1953, chairman of the Department of Zoology in 1964, then, with the reorganization of biology at Cornell, he became the first chairman of the Section of Ecology and Systematics in the Division of Biological Sciences. His current title is Professor of Ecology.

His research interests cover virtually any area of ecology that can be attacked from a quantitative or statistical approach. He has published about 75 papers in a variety of journals and is currently completing two books on ecology.

He has served on the publication committees and editorial boards of several journals and was Review Editor of Ecology from 1952 to 1954 and Zoological Editor 1958-63.

He has served on the Regional Advisory Board of the Biometric Society and is currently vice president and president elect of the American Institute of Biological Sciences.

He is a frequent consultant and member of advisory panels for various government agencies. He served on the Advisory Committee on Environmental Biology of the National Science Foundation, 1958-61, and is currently a member of the Bioinstrumentation Advisory Council (BIAC) of AIBS, and chairman of the Special Study Section for mathematics-statistics in the National Institutes of Health.