During FY 1981-82, the JOURNAL OF ENERGY RESOURCES TECHNOLOGY published 58 papers. Long delay in waiting for printing in JERT has been eased. Starting with the December 1982 issue, the total printing allocation during FY 1982-83 for JERT is 500 printed pages per year, a 25 percent increase over FY 1981-82 and a 50 percent increase over FY 1980-81. The Journal backlog came primarily from the annual International Offshore Mechanics and Arctic Engineering Symposium held at the 1982 ETCE. Anticipating a further increase in papers on Rock Mechanics, Synthetic Fuels, Pipeline Engineering, and Manufacturers, the Editorial Board is projecting that a greater page allocation would be needed for FY 1983-84. Despite the increase in the total page allocation, the Board will continue to minimize the total time lapse between paper submission and publication.

Jack Lou (Ocean Engineering), Bill Wechter (Energy Recovery from Solid Waste Processing), Reed Welker (Hydrocarbon Processing), and Sam Collier (Manufacturers) have completed their term as Associate Editors in 1982. Sam Collier will continue to help us for one more year. Their valuable service is truly appreciated. When they joined the Board in 1980, the Journal printed only 256 pages per year. Joining the Board as new Associate Editor is Karel Karal (1983-85) of Norwegina Hydrodynamic Laboratory, Norway (Offshore Mechanics). He will bring with him a tremendous breadth and depth of expertise to the Board. The Technical Editor will be directly in charge of Ocean Engineering, Hydrocarbon Processing and Energy Recovery from Solid Wastes Processing for the first half of 1983.

Continuing to serve on the Editorial Board are O. M. Griffin (Offshore Mechanics), D. L. Garrett (Offshore Mechanics), R. C. Corlett (Synfuel/Wind/Emerging Energy Technologies), J. W. Galate (Arctic), S. H. Advani (Rock Mechanics), H. H. Doiron (Drilling), H. L. McKinzie (Production), and D. M. Coulter (Pipeline Transportation).

Congratulations to Dr. Virgil J. Lunardini of the U.S. Army Cold Regions Research and Development Laboratory for the fourth Eugene W. Jacobson (best paper) Award of the Petroleum Division he received for his paper on Arctic permafrost presented at the 1981 ETCE, Houston, Texas.

Besides the JERT editors, our colleagues have helped us process the manuscript review. I would like to recognize those colleagues for their unselfish, competent, hard work. They are Dr. I. Konuk, Dr. S. K. Chakrabarti, Mr. D. R. Hayes, Dr. S. Kyriakides, Dr. V. J. Lunardini, Dr. Y. S. Wang, Dr. O. A. Ayorinde, Mr. D. R. Hervey, Dr. R. H. Knapp, Mr. D. R. Sanders, and Dr. K. Karal.

The exacting task of the JERT editors has been possible only through careful review of the papers by those well-recognized experts in the industry and academia. The Board would like to recognize them by printing the list of the reviewers in this issue. I would like to express the Board's appreciation to them. They have given generously of their valuable time in rendering their help to the Journal.

As you may have noticed, the Journal has been issued on time in 1982. I would like to express the editorial Board's appreciation to Paul Drummond, ASME Petroleum Division Executive secretary, Catherine Natal, Petroleum Division Staff Coordinator, and Lynn Rosenfeld, Production Editor of JERT for their diligent work.

Finally, may I remind you that the Journal always welcomes submission of quality papers from our membership and readers. This is your outlet for publishing your work. The papers can be directly submitted to the JERT Editorial Board or through the ASME Meetings or Conferences.

Happy New Year

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