

TECHNICAL EDITOR'S PAGE

I would like to express my appreciation of each member of the current and past Editorial Board, authors, reviewers, and readers during my term as Technical Editor. When my term started in August 1980, this Transactions journal was only a year old, printing 244 pages per year with a very low backlog. The primary job of the Editorial Board was to secure the sources of the journal quality papers. Joe Galate (Arctic, Exxon) and Dick Corlett (Emerging Energy Technology, University of Washington) have been responsible for a half of the Journal papers for 1981 issues. The first jump in manuscripts for review was in late 1982, when Owen Griffin (Naval Research Laboratory), Dave Garrett (Shell), Sunder Advani (Ohio State), Harold Doiron (Reed Rock Bit), and Don Coulter (Royal Military College, Canada) joined the Editorial Board. This was in coincidence with the success of the First International Offshore Mechanics and Arctic Engineering (OMAE) Symposium. Since then the annual OMAE Symposia have supplied a large backlog of symposia papers for the Journal Review. The symposia have been organized by the JERT Editorial Board and the OMAE Group, which became the OMAE Division in December 1984.

As the volume of manuscripts increased in offshore and arctic topics from the international sectors, Karel Karal (SINTEF, Norway), Reed Welker (University of Arkansas), Virgil Lunardini (US Army CRREL), and Ron Knapp (University of Hawaii) joined the Editorial Board. Calvin Brunner (Solid Waste) was very active. This was the year JERT printed 450 pages per year in 1984-85. Then in 1984 and 1985 Subrata Chakrabarti (CBI Industries), Leo Huang

(University of Texas), Phil Pattillo (Amoco), Jim Brill (University of Tulsa), Demos Tsahalis (Shell), Tony Wang (Exxon), Dev Sodhi (US Army CRREL), and Mamdouh Salama (Conoco) joined the Board. The Journal has reached its maturity, printing 600 pages per year with a comfortable backlog, securing a majority of its backlog from the new OMAE Division.

Effective September 1985, Dr. O. Arnaz, ASME Petroleum Division, Louisiana State University, assumed the responsibility of interim Technical Editor for two years. I would like to request the same support from the authors and readers as I have received.

For the past 5 years it has been Lynn Rosenfeld who put the Journal pages together. I would like to thank Lynn, Transactions Production Editor. Always hidden help has been provided by Paul Drummond, Pam Jones (1980-82), and Cathy Natal (1982-85), ASME.

I am continuing my service to the ASME and to the offshore and arctic authors, as the Chairman of Executive Committee, the ASME Offshore Mechanics and Arctic Engineering Division and the Conference Chairman, the Fifth International Symposium and Exhibit on Offshore Mechanics and Arctic Engineering to be held in Tokyo, Japan, April 1986.

Best wishes for the Journal,

Jin S. Chung
Retiring Technical Editor