COMMENTARY





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With this issue we say "Goodbye" as Editor. Subsequent issues will be under the editorship of Prof. Roy G. Post of the University of Arizona's Nuclear Engineering Department in Tucson.

As Founding Editor, we have been gratified by the accomplishment of the past five years, and we are grateful for this opportunity to have created, from scratch, something as significant as we believe *Nuclear Applications* is. We hope

that most of the members of the American Nuclear Society share our pride in this journal and that most readers now find it both valuable to have and interesting to read.

However, our gratitude is even greater for the opportunity to make new friends that this position has provided. We have corresponded with well over 1500 reviewers of manuscripts and books, and we have been involved with another 1200 or so authors and co-authors. What we had not anticipated at the outset was the warmth of the relationships that were to develop. It has been very gratifying to have a reviewer write 'I have been reviewing papers for other societies for 15 years, and you are the first Editor to write a letter of thanks.' It has been even more gratifying to have so many authors write 'Thank you for your constructive criticisms, which we feel did indeed improve our manuscript."

The list of persons who have been particularly helpful and to whom we are grateful is much too long to publish—so long, in fact, that it would be almost impossible to try to delineate without inadvertently overlooking someone. However, it would include the members of our Editorial Advisory Board, the members and chairmen of our various Publications Committees, ANS Presidents and officers, the Editors of our sister journals, many symposia chairmen, our production staff in the Society's headquarters office, our compositors, our printers, and, of course, our own staff at Upton. Without their help and cooperation, the journal would have been impossible.

We very much hope that this splendid cooperation and assistance will continue to be shown to our successor so that Prof. Post can continue to aim the journal toward that "standard of excellence" that we referred to in our first Commentary.

Louis G. Stang. fr.

LOUIS G. STANG, Jr., "A Standard of Excellence . . .," Nucl. Appl., 1, 3 (1965).