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It is a pleasure to note that SCIENCE News has so successfully reached its 60th birthday. In no other publication can the intelligent layman get so quick and accurate a summary of the latest findings and the latest thinking in all the sciences. Perhaps the greatest tribute to you is the commendations one often hears from the scientists themselves.

I have watched SCIENCE News develop over the years and am impressed by the intellectual caliber you have achieved. I am impressed too by the number of fine science writers who have worked with great professionalism for you over the years.

You fill an important niche claimed by no other publication. I hope you are around for at least another 60 years.

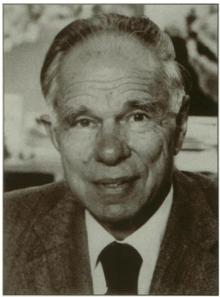
The existence of SCIENCE News spans sixty years, and the distance which science has covered in those sixty years is incredible.

Sixty years ago, in the early 1920s, relativity was new and quantum mechanics was being born. There was a great controversy in science as to whether there existed galaxies other than our own. And now we have reached quasars and quarks, and puzzle over black holes and gluons.

We have gone from hedge-hopping in baling-wire airplanes to a landing on the Moon and close-up photographs of Saturn's satellites; from crystal-set radios to communications satellites.

And all these incredible advances have been watched and reported on by SCI-ENCE NEWS, which has brought what its name states clearly and succinctly to all citizens. I am pleased that for one-third of this stretch of time, I have been (and still am) a subscriber.

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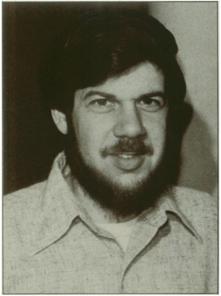


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Science has been the primary motivating force of change in human society since we invented tools and learned to tame fire. Knowledge expands exponentially and it is an old cliche (but true) that the majority of scientists who ever worked are now alive. Only a fool would call himself educated and not be aware of major trends in scientific progress, especially as the computer revolution forges unity between man and machine, and while nuclear and biotechnical power both threaten or delight us. In style, accuracy, and breadth of coverage, Sci-ENCE News has long distinguished itself as America's finest journal of general and accessible science. It should be everybody's starting point to a necessary understanding.

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It is a special pleasure to congratulate SCIENCE News on its 60th birthday.

Many happy returns!

At this newspaper it is taboo to say anything is unique, but SCIENCE News is. One only has to look at the deluge of big, glossy science magazines that have appeared in recent years and are fighting each other for survival to appreciate how

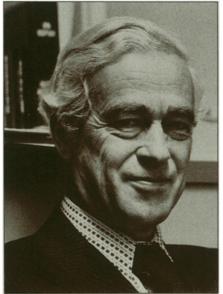
your magazine stands alone.

I am afraid it is somewhat of a chore to get through the others. SCIENCE NEWS tells us what we want to know succinctly and accurately. The change that has occurred in science and in your journal over six decades is, of course, enormous. I doubt that there has been any period in human history when the horizons of knowledge spread so rapidly.

That is not so much because of a generation of particularly gifted scientists as because new ways of looking at nature—from earth orbit, with radio telescopes, electron microscopes, DNA sequencing techniques and the like—have provided new insights in all fields of science.

I feel compelled to clip something from almost every issue of SCIENCE News for my files. How can one ignore a source that offers us Jonathan Eberhart, Janet Raloff, Dietrick Thomsen and all the others? (Often with humor.) Would that millions, rather than thousands, shared their informative and sometimes whimsical contributions.

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Walter Sullivan Science writer, New York Times

It is with both pride and gratitude that I congratulate SCIENCE News on behalf of the National Academy of Sciences and the National Research Council for 60 years of editorial excellence.

We take pride in the fact that for most of those years the Academy and the Research Council participated on your Board of Trustees—and for several years provided your home. Our gratitude is based on the extraordinary durability of SCIENCE NEWS as a comprehensive, concise, and accurate medium for informing a broad readership about developments in science. Your editors have a fine sense of what to include and what to leave out.

We can be grateful that SCIENCE NEWS continues to do its job and to thrive in the process.

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