We Are Getting Thicker!

No, I do not mean your editor, and certainly not the hardworking editorial staff. In response to the flow and acceptance of an increasing number of excellent papers, the Society has increased the page budget for *Optical Engineering* again. This will allow us to continue to print articles on a timely basis after acceptance. At the moment, it is taking about six or seven months, but we are still trying to reduce that time to our goal of five months.

The October issue of *Optical Engineering* had 297 technical pages, which brings the total number of technical pages for this year, through October, to 2414. Table 1 shows a comparison of the number of pages published, from January through October, for the last few years.

We had a 41% increase in the number of pages in 1992 over the previous years. The number of pages last year (1992) and this year (1993) were about the same through the June issue, but then we began adding pages and coming close to 300 pages a month. Thus, by the end of this year Volume 32 will contain approximately 3000 pages. This is a threefold increase since 1988 (Volume 27) and more than a twofold increase since 1991 (Volume 30).

The driving force for this change is the quantity and the quality of the papers submitted to *Optical Engineering*. Through the end of August of this year we had handled 264 contributed papers and 177 papers associated with special sections. The number of contributed papers has increased by 111% over the last four years as of the August date. The number of special section papers has increased by a greater percentage than that since there has been tremendous interest in our special sections.

Each month, as your editor, I submit a report to the management of SPIE and to the chair of the Publications Committee. I thought you might like to see the type of data that I prepare. Table 2 shows the activity report for August 1993.

Table 1 Technical pages published from January through October—1988 through 1993.

Year	Technical Pages (10 Months)	% Change
1988	922	—
1989	1144	24.0
1990	1318	15.2
1991	1427	8.3
1992	2013	41.1
1993	2414	19.9

Table 2 Activity report for August 1993.

Papers received during month	38	Papers closed	4
Papers sent to reviewers	37	Papers withdrawn	0
Number of reviewers solicited	88	Papers received for future special issues	13
Reviews received	49	Papers accepted for future special issues	13
Revised manuscripts received	19	Papers for Communications	1
Papers accepted	16	Papers published in August issue	44
Papers rejected	11	Communications published in August issue	2
Papers returned to authors for revision	14	Transferred to other journals	0
Papers completed and sent to managing editor	16		

Rest assured that you, the authors and reviewers, are pressing your editor and the editorial staff in Bellingham to the limit—but that's the way we like it!

The old British proverb says "practice makes perfect." We don't claim to be perfect but we certainly get lots of practice. A more modern American version of that proverb that we might say is "use it or lose it." We are busy using all our faculties and facilities, so I am sure we are not getting thicker—just the journal.

Brian J. Thompson
Editor

December 1993

Magnetospheric Imagery and Atmospheric Remote Sensing, Part 1

Supriya Chakrabarti
Boston University
Center for Space Physics
725 Commonwealth Avenue
Boston, MA 02215
E-mail: supc@bu-ast.bu.edu
617/353-5990 • 617/353-6463 FAX

January 1994

Infrared Technology, Part 1

Marija S. Scholl
Alenka Associates
P.O. Box 27408
Tempe, AZ 85285-7408
E-mail: msscholl@aol.com
602/491-7814

February 1994

Magnetospheric Imagery and Atmospheric Remote Sensing, Part 2

Supriya Chakrabarti
Boston University
Center for Space Physics
725 Commonwealth Avenue
Boston, MA 02215
E-mail: supc@bu-ast.bu.edu
617/353-5990 • 617/353-6463 FAX

March 1994

Infrared Technology, Part 2

Marija S. Scholl
Alenka Associates
P.O. Box 27408
Tempe, AZ 85285-7408
E-mail: msscholl@aol.com
602/491-7814

April 1994

Optical Pattern Recognition

Joseph L. Horner
Rome Laboratory
EROP
Hanscom AFB, MA 01731-5000
617/377-3841 • 617/377-5041 FAX

Bahram Javidi
University of Connecticut
School of Engineering
Department of Electrical and Systems Engineering
Room 312, U-157
260 Glenbrook Road
Storrs, CT 06269-3157
203/486-4816 • 203/486-3789 FAX

May 1994

Semiconductor Infrared Detectors

Antoni Rogalski
Military Technical Academy
Institute of Technical Physics
Kaliskiego St. 25
01-489 Warsaw 49, Poland
48 22 36 91 09 • 48 22 36 22 54 FAX

Optical Interconnects and Packaging

Sing Lee
University of California/San Diego
E&CE Department
La Jolla, CA 92093-0407
619/534-2413 • 619/534-1225 FAX

June 1994

Optical Science & Engineering in India

Rajpal S. Sirohi
Indian Institute of Technology
Applied Optics Laboratory
Physics Department
Madras-600 036, India
044-2351365 ext. 221 • 044-2350509 FAX

July 1994

Adaptive Wavelet Transforms

Harold H. Szu
U.S. Navy
Naval Surface Warfare Center
Code R44
10901 New Hampshire Avenue
Silver Springs, MD 20903-5000
301/394-3097 • 301/394-3923 FAX

Manuscripts due Dec. 1, 1993.

August 1994

Digital Image Recovery and Synthesis

Paul S. Idell
Air Force Phillips Lab.
PL/GPOA
390 B Great Road, #18
Acton, MA 01720
612/377-3663 • 617/377-3661 FAX

Manuscripts due Dec. 1, 1993.

September 1994

Optics in South Africa

Hannes Markuse
ELOPTRO
Institute of Atomic Physics
P.O. Box 869
Kempton Park 1620, South Africa
Maurice W. McDowell
CSIR/Production Technology Div.
Productiontek
P.O. Box 395
Pretoria 0001, South Africa
27 12 841 3418 • 27 12 841 2131 FAX

Manuscripts due Jan. 1, 1994.

October 1994

Optics in Russia

V. Ya. Panchenko
Scientific Research Center for Technological Lasers
Russia Academy of Sciences
B-333, Gubkina, 3
117971 Moscow, Russia
E-mail: ilc@compnet.npimsu.msk.su
(095)135-54-30 • (095)334-02-01 FAX

Manuscripts due March 1, 1994.

November 1994

Micro-Optics

Chandrasekhar Roychoudhuri
University of Connecticut at Storrs
Photonics Research Center
MS-157, Room 312
260 Glenbrook Road
Storrs, CT 06269-3157
203/486-4816 • 203/486-3789 FAX

Manuscripts due April 1, 1994.

December 1994

Optics in Ireland

John Hegarty
C. D. Hussey
University of Dublin
Trinity College
Department of Pure and Applied Physics
Dublin 2, Ireland
+353-1-7022019 • +353-1-711759 FAX

Manuscripts due May 1, 1994.

January 1995

X-Ray/EUV Optics

Richard B. Hoover
NASA Marshall Space Flight Center
ES52 Space Science Center
Huntsville, AL 35812-0001
E-mail: hoover@ssl.msfc.nasa.gov
205/544-7617 • 205/544-5856 FAX

Manuscripts due June 1, 1994.

February 1995

High Heat Flux Optical Engineering

Ali M. Khounsary
Argonne National Laboratory
Advanced Photon Source, APS 362
Argonne, IL 60439
708/252-3384 • 708/252-3222 FAX

Manuscripts due July 1, 1994.

March 1995

Optical Engineering in Ophthalmology

Suganda Jutamulia
Kowa Company, Ltd.
Silicon Valley Office
100 Homeland Court, Suite 302
San Jose, CA 95112
408/441-9300 • 408/441-0537 FAX
Toshimitsu Asakura
Hokkaido University
Research Institute for Electronic Science
Sapporo, 060 Japan
81-11-716-2111 • 81-11-758-3173 FAX

Manuscripts due Aug. 1, 1994.

April 1995

Optics in the Ukraine

Oleg V. Angelsky
Chernovtsy University
Department of Correlation Optics
2 Kosyubinsky Street
274012 Chernovtsy
Ukraine
(03722) 44730 • (03722) 41314 FAX

Manuscripts due Aug. 15, 1994

July 1995

Optics in Switzerland

P. K. Rastogi
Swiss Federal Institute of Technology-Lausanne
Laboratory of Stress Analysis
CH-1015 Lausanne
Switzerland
E-mail: rastogi@elgc.epfl.ch
(021) 693 24 45 • (021) 693 47 48 FAX

Manuscripts due Nov. 15, 1994