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Dear Blanche:

The Editorial Board regretfully accepts your resignation as a regular contributor to Reading Horizons. You have written Ten-Second Reviews since the fall of 1961, and the excellence with which you have carried on this responsibility has made this feature one of the most valued sections of the journal. Through the years students of reading have stated that the reviews have been of considerable assistance to them. They have spoken of the variety of articles reviewed and the conciseness and clarity of your writing. The Editorial Board is convinced that the widespread acceptance and success of Reading Horizons has been due, in great part, to your Ten-Second Reviews.

I suppose that only an Editor of a journal like Reading Horizons can fully appreciate the significance of your contribution. Despite illness and pressures of other responsibilities, you have always prepared your material carefully and well; you have read and reviewed over 2,000 articles; you have met every deadline; you have read with a keen and critical eye hundreds of galley and page proofs; and you have done so with spirit and eagerness. No editor could expect greater loyalty and devotion to a journal than you have displayed.

It may be trite to say that words cannot express our feelings. Nevertheless, it is an accurate statement. Mere words cannot adequately convey the sadness with which we accept your resignation nor the deep appreciation we have for your many contributions. Perhaps simplicity of language is best. Therefore, thank you, Blanche, for the excellent service you have provided our readers for the past thirteen years. Although Ten-Second Reviews shall continue to be a part of Reading Horizons, we shall miss seeing your name under the title.

Sincerely,

Dorothy J. McGinnis
Editor