

Editors Script

"You can learn one new thing a day. In a year you will have learned several hundred new things. You will be a professional when you have learned a thousand". These words were given to me by a senior employee during my training. It is certainly true that when you have learned various things, you can have a wider vision around you and start thinking how to make things even better. You will have new ideas and the "desire" to realize them. You can let the people around you share that desire. You may have difficulties, but if you successfully go through with it without compromising, the experience will boost your confidence and become an asset. All pages of the KYB Technical Review are full of such desire. I would be very happy if you read it and feel that desire. (SAITO)

In the Tokyo gubernatorial election held some time ago, an almost unknown candidate received the second highest percentage of the votes and became a hot topic. The presumed reason was that the candidate had posted a large number of movies on social media in order to be recognized by a wide range of people in a short period of time. Regardless of the pros and cons of voting behavior, it might have been an indication that one's actions can be surprisingly influenced by the diverse information media available through the internet today. We should now be media literate not only about the traditional major mass media, but also about web-based media including social media. In particular, we should also be aware of how these media are transmitted, i.e., their technical characteristics (including algorithms). We are already living in a world like the one depicted in William Gibson's science fiction (SF) novels. (KUBO)

In recent years, unprecedented weather conditions have caused floods, heavy rains, and heat waves in Japan and around the world. News of these extreme weather events has become commonplace. I am very frightened when I imagine how the world will change dramatically in ten years and beyond. In this situation, the movement toward carbon neutrality (CN) is accelerating. In particular, it is obvious that motor vehicles driven by gasoline engines will be replaced by electric vehicles (EVs) in the future. There is still no clear answer whether this change is really the right choice for human beings. In any case, I sincerely hope that the product development I am involved in will contribute to the improvement of the environment in the future. (ISHIGURO)

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