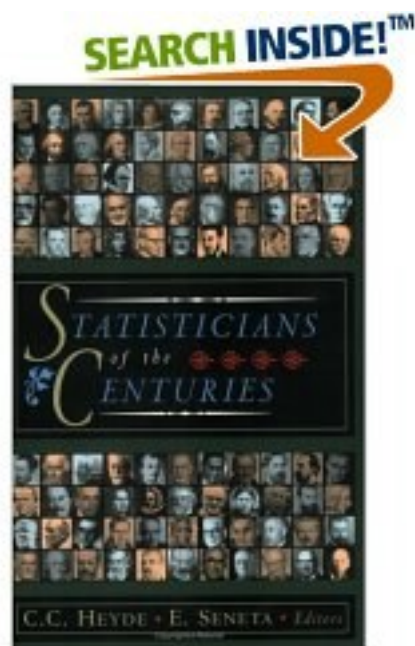


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"belongs in the library of every statistician, whether student, teacher, practitioner, or researcher. On reading the digesting the contents, one experiences the full and rich personal lives of people who have advanced the science of statistics."

CHOICE, May 2002

"This interesting and informative book summarizes developments in statistics. Concerned only with contributions by researchers born prior to the 20th century, articles are presented chronologically by date of birth of the statistician. More than 100 researchers are represented, and 75 authors from all over the globe contributed biographies. This volume arose through the initiative of the International Statistical Institute (an international organization founded in 1885 with statisticians from all nationalities and walks of life as its members) whose primary concern is to further the cause of statistics and to make the public aware of the role and contributions of statistics in all aspects of life. The book is organized chronologically; all developments and contributions through the 16th century are followed by material from the 17th through 20th centuries. Some of the salient features of this volume are the alphabetical listing of statisticians, chapter bibliographies, useful index, and an indicator pointing to an internal linkage between chapters. An excellent resource on the historical development of statistics, this book will appeal to all those interested in the historical development of statistical techniques and concepts. Recommended for all academic libraries. Upper-division undergraduate and graduate students."

ISI Short Book Reviews, April 2002

"This book arose out of an International Statistical Institute initiative. Its objective is stated to be to demonstrate the achievement of statistics to a broad audience and to commemorate the work of celebrated statisticians. This demanding objective has been outstandingly well met. The choice of individuals for inclusion, taken from those born before 31 December 1900. ... Most entries have a photograph, a very short abstract and typically a four or five page essay, followed by a short bibliography. The essays are lucid, informative, sympathetic to their subject and most contain a pleasing mixture of technical and personal detail. The editorial team and the contributors are to be congratulated on an important and enjoyable contribution to the general literature on our subject."

"This is an important book. It provides a broad historical introduction to one of the most important strands of mathematical thought in the twentieth century, and it does so by highlighting the contributions of key players from many disciplines. Its also a book that should be in the library of any institution that wants its students to have a well-researched and well-referenced alternative to the random biographical information that a typical Internet search engine will find out on the world wide web." (Andrew Leahy, MAA Online, January, 2002)

"There are a number of books devoted to the history of statistics. The histories focus mainly on development of statistical ideas Statisticians of the Centuries differs from these histories by presenting sketches of persons who made contribution to statistical thought . Statisticians of the Centuries belongs in the library of every statistician, whether student, teacher, practitioner, or researcher. On reading and digesting the contents, one experiences the full and rich personal lives of people who have advanced the science of statistics." (Carolyn Pillers Dobler, Journal of the American Statistical Association, December, 2002)

"This book arose through the initiative of the International Statistical Institute. It contains about 100 short biographies of selected statisticians born prior to the 20th century, including biographies of persons who are probabilists rather than statisticians. Many interesting facts are presented about scientists whose names are usually connected only with formulas and theorems. The book is interesting reading and

information from it can surely refresh lectures on probability and mathematical statistics." (European Mathematical Society Newsletter, June, 2002)

"Each chapter begins with a one-sentence description of the contributions of that individual . One learns where the individual was born and died the important individuals with whom the person interacted, what key societal events occurred during the individuals lifetime . these sections of the chapters are written well and tell interesting stories. I was pleasantly surprised to discover that the book more than maintained my interest. I am impressed by the work of the editors and the authors." (Stanley Wasserman, *Chance*, Vol. 15 (3), 2002)

"This 500 page volume contains biographies of 103 celebrated statisticians born prior to the 20th century. There are many pieces of information to surprise nearly every reader . It is very useful and remarkably compact reference which should be an excellent guide to anyone interested in the relations between subject matter and its developers, the historical sequences in statistical advances, and the place of statistical developers in the wider fields of science and the world generally." (Jim Douglas, *The Australian Mathematical Society Gazette*, Vol. 29 (2), 2002)

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Book Description

Statisticians of the Centuries aims to demonstrate the achievements of statistics to a broad audience, and to commemorate the work of celebrated statisticians. This is done through short biographies that put the statistical work in its historical and sociological context, emphasizing contributions to science and society in the broadest terms rather than narrow technical achievement. The discipline is treated from its earliest times and only individuals born prior to the 20th Century are included. The volume arose through the initiative of the International Statistical Institute (ISI), the principal representative association for international statistics (founded in 1885). Extensive consultations within the statistical community, and with prominent members of ISI in particular, led to the names of the 104 individuals who are included in the volume. The biographies were contributed by 73 authors from across the world. The editors are the well-known statisticians Chris Heyde and Eugene Seneta. Chris Heyde is Professor of Statistics at both Columbia University in New York and the Australian National University in Canberra. Eugene Seneta is Professor of Mathematical Statistics at the University of Sydney and a Member of the ISI. His historical writings focus on 19th Century France and the Russian Empire. Both editors are Fellows of the Australian Academy of Science and have, at various times, been awarded the Pitman Medal of the Statistical Society of Australia for their distinguished research contributions.

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