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present position as manager of the engineering and construction division. Since then he has directed several capital expansion programs totaling about \$32,000,000.

Active in AISE affairs, he has held all of the offices in the association, as well as chairmanship of the Philadelphia district section and various ASIE technical committees.

President's Message 1965

Present increasing capital goods requirements and many recent process changes in steel plants have increased the need for technical and engineering personnel in every plant area. Many of these new people are without experience in our industry. Also, changed processes and their new equipment require much study by present personnel. The Association of Iron and Steel Engineers has much to offer to both the steel industry and its personnel to aid in this area.

Directed by officers and staff of the Association, equipment and practice standardization programs to decrease capital and maintenance costs as well as varied research efforts attempting to solve equipment failure and product quality problems are being carried on by committees composed of Association members. Many of these projects are proceeding jointly with other technical groups interested in the steel industry.

District sections in 14 cities and

national conventions offer meeting places for trading experiences and, most important, the opportunity of solid acquaintanceship with technical and engineering personnel of other steel companies and suppliers to the industry.

The "Iron and Steel Engineer," published monthly, reports all of these efforts and the annual proceedings serves as their permanent record.

To date our Association has been successfully progressive in its objective—"to promote the advancement of the technical and engineering phases of the production and processing of iron and steel"—by providing the crucible in which the steel industry, its personnel, and its suppliers and their personnel are melted down together to achieve a common ground of understanding of the technical and engineering problems of the industry.

To continue to progress in the year ahead, and we are very optimistic, we must have the support of the steel industry and the support of its personnel as members of the Association of Iron and Steel Engineers.

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