





The President's Message

We enter 1954 in the midst of a period of business readjustment, with hopes for a return to the normal, healthy, competitive situation which has not existed for a number of years.

The keynote of a successful operation is good quality, low cost production. Such an operation poses a challenge to the ingenuity of all branches of engineering, for it is the engineers who must plan for safe, efficient and economical installations that will meet management requirements. The Association of Iron and Steel Engineers was founded 47 years ago for the express purpose of providing a medi-

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um for the exchange of ideas and the discussion of electrical problems pertaining to the steel industry. Over the years it has expanded, and now encompasses all branches of steel mill engineers.

The officers and staff of the Association are ever trying to be progressive and to present papers and publications that are timely and interesting. District section meetings, plant visitations, the spring meeting and the fall convention, with its exhibits, bring to you the latest developments that equipment manufacturers have to offer, and present the opportunity of making many personal contacts with other men in the industry.

The Association of Iron & Steel Engineers, with the full cooperation of its membership, can be an effective means to help solve the problems facing the industry today.

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ERIC L. ANDERSON has been associated with the iron and steel industry throughout his entire business career. He was born in England and came to the United States in 1914. He started work as an office boy in the general office of the Bethlehem Steel Co. at Sparrows Point in 1917, and in 1918 was moved to the electrical department at Sparrows Point, as an electrician apprentice. He worked up through the ranks at this plant to the position of Assistant to the Electrical Superintendent. In 1937 he was transferred to the Johnstown plant of Bethlehem and took the job of general foreman, becoming assistant electrical superintendent in 1939 and then being appointed superintendent of the electrical department in 1940. He has served in this capacity until the present time. Mr. Anderson attended the Baltimore Polytechnic Institute and also took night school courses at John Hopkins University.





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