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must change the antagonistic relationship now existing between management, government and labor into the cooperative climate enjoyed by our foreign competitors. We also must regain the technological edge that we once enjoyed.

As the technical organization of engineers associated with the steel industry, we can help that industry regain its lost position. We must all aid in creating a cooperative climate for our industry by helping at every opportunity. The reduced technical staffs of the steel industry can be assisted by the AISE as never before. With the proliferation of technological change, it is becoming more difficult to keep up with the state of the art advancements. Our technical journal, meetings, publications and exposition are all geared to performing that function.

During the coming year, the AISE must maintain its strength by aggressively adding new members and sections in a shrinking economy. Our engineering functions will be increased in order to keep abreast of the advancing technology. Our editorial staff will continue to keep our journal up-to-date with the ever-changing technology. The 1983 exposition is expected to be better than ever.

Although 1983 will continue to be a year of change, let's work together to do our share in turning it around.

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### **President's Message** 1983

The competitive advantage once held by the American steel industry has been lost due to reduced production rates and lower earnings which has caused a decrease in technical personnel and facilities. In order to regain our position in the new world steel market, our industry