



**John H. Vohr**  
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**JOHN H. VOHR**, general and superintendent, United States Steel Corp., Gary Steel Works, Gary, Ind., graduated from Cornell in 1916 in mechanical and electrical engineering. Upon graduation he worked with the New York State Railways as an electrical engineer. He then served in World War I, enlisting in the aviation section of the Signal Corps and leaving it as a pilot (1st Lt.) in 1919. Upon his return he joined the American Sheet and Tinsplate Co. at Farrell, Pa., working up to master mechanic.

In 1919, he was transferred to Gary as night superintendent of the 42-in. strip mill. He left American Sheet and Tin-

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plate in 1931 and worked on the installation and operation of the new strip mills of the Inland Steel Co., and Youngstown Sheet and Tube Co.

In 1936 Mr. Vohr went with Granite City Steel Co., Granite City, Ill., as superintendent of the hot and cold strip mills and in 1937 was made general superintendent. In 1942 he joined the Carnegie-Illinois Steel Corp., working in the general offices in Pittsburgh until his appointment in 1943 as assistant general superintendent of South Works at Chicago, Ill. In 1949 he was promoted to general superintendent of the Gary Steel Works.

### **The President's Message**

A year of decision, of contemplation and of hope faces us as we enter a new year fraught with much anxiety on one hand and extreme optimism on the other.

We, as engineers and members of one of the greatest economic segments in the world, must make decisions, individually and collectively, which can and will affect our American way of life. Every decision, be it concerning quality, costs or some matter affecting the com-

munity in which we live, should be predicated upon the principle of the preservation of free enterprise and individual freedom.

This, being the threshold of a new year, is the proper time to pause and contemplate how we, through organizations such as the Association of Iron and Steel Engineers, can best serve our community, our nation and our God, both technologically and socially.

It is my fervent hope that, as President of the Association and with the aid of the officers and staff, we will be able to strengthen the lines of communication through which we may receive and distribute problems which confront us in the steel industry.

These lines of communication will only be as strong as the membership, and it is my hope that all members will take advantage of the fellowship it offers to the betterment of all.

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