

Report of the 1963 President

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1963-a good year for AIME

There is good reason for pride in our accomplishments during 1963. The Institute grew and gained stature during the year, but of greatest importance was the inauguration of a new program to inform the public of the vital importance of mineral engineering and to affirm among members the value of their own work.

Because other industries are dependent on the power and natural resources we supply, the minerals industry is the number one industry in the world today. Our organization of some 37,000 members serves the minerals industries in many capacities. Always, our major function is to represent the engineers who make possible the production of basic materials for our modern civilization.

The material from our constituent societies contained in this report illustrates the importance of mining, metallurgical and petroleum engineering to the world's progress; it describes the many ways AIME, through its individual members, is striving to meet this challenge.