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Alfred Iddles, Noted as Engineer, to Head B & W

► BARCOCK & WILCOX Co directors recently elected Alfred Iddles president and chief executive officer. Widely known for engineering contributions in the power field, he succeeds A C Pratt, with the company for 45 years and president for the past 24, who becomes chairman of the board.

Long identification with the interests and problems of power-equipment users fits Iddles to carry forward progressively the activities of one of the major

and staff engineering, providing the functional design of boilers and fuel-burning units. In his many papers before power-engineering groups, he has evidenced a clear understanding of the need for designers and users to work together to solve technical problems.

W T McCullough Jr. in charge of stationary boiler sales and former Chicago office sales manager, was elected a vice-president and W C Dryden, former treasurer, was made secretary and treasurer. C W Middleton, v-p and secretary, has withdrawn from full-time service but will continue as a director and in a consulting capacity.

ASME Oil and Gas Power Conference on May 20-22

► THE 20TH ANNUAL CONFERENCE of Oil and Gas Power Div of American Society of Mechanical Engineers is to be held on May 20-22 at Hotel New Jefferson, St. Louis, Mo. This year is also the 50th anniversary of the diesel engine in America, a fitting theme around which the conference program is centered.



ALFRED IDDLES

manufacturers in the field. A graduate of Michigan State University, he taught in the M E Dept there from 1914 to 1918, after two years of utility operating experience. As an Army captain in World War I, he had charge of power at the poison-gas plant of Edgewood Arsenal. He entered the Fuels Division of the Bureau of Mines in 1919.

Later, as vice-president of United Engineers and Constructors, Philadelphia, Iddles directed design and construction of all kinds in the U. S., Canada, and South America, gaining the broad engineering background that was to prove a valuable when he went with B & W in 1937. A vice-president since 1945, he has had charge of service

COMING EVENTS

May 6-7—Sixth Annual Anthracite Conference, Anthracite Institute and Lehigh University, held at Lehigh University, Bethlehem, Pa. A Copeland Callen, dept of mining engg, Lehigh University, Bethlehem, Pa.

May 11-16—Engineers' Club of Philadelphia, Junior members, engineering progress show, Franklin Hall in Franklin Institute of Pa., 1317 Spruce St, Philadelphia 7, Pa. Joseph J Quinn Jr, chairman, 1317 Spruce St, Philadelphia 7, Pa.

May 18-21—National District Heating Assn, 39th annual meeting, Hotel Statler, St. Louis, Mo. John F Collins Jr, secretary-treasurer, 827 N Euclid Ave, Pittsburgh, Pa.

May 30-June 5—American Society of Mechanical Engineers, semiannual meeting, Schroeder Hotel, Milwaukee, Wis. Ernest Hartford, executive assistant secretary, 29 W 39th St, New York.

June 7-10—Smoke Prevention Assn of America, 41st annual meeting, Hotel

Commodore, New York, N. Y. Columbus D Dehan, publicity director, 129 N Clark St Bldg, Chicago 2, Ill.

June 10-11—Primo Movers Committee, Pennsylvania Electric Assn, spring meeting, Hotel Casey, Scranton, Pa. R L Hallman, chairman, Primo Movers Committee, Pennsylvania Electric Assn, Hazleton, Pa.

June 10-12—National Steam Specialty Club, annual meeting, The Homestead, Hot Springs, Va. Frank H Jones, secretary-treasurer of the club, c/o Schade Valve Mfg Co, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

June 21-25—American Institute of Electrical Engineers, summer general meeting, Mexico City, Mex. H H Hiline, secretary, 33 W 39th St, New York 18, N. Y.

July 12-21—National Mechanical Handling Exhibition, National Hall, Olympia, London, England. Journal Mechanical Handling, Dorset House, Stamford St, London, S E 1, England.

Registration, planned for 9:30 Thursday, May 20, will be followed by 10:30 am by a technical session which papers on firing-order and computation of torsional stress systems will be presented. At the noon technical session, experts, drawn from large- and small-engine fields, probe diesel engineering progress.

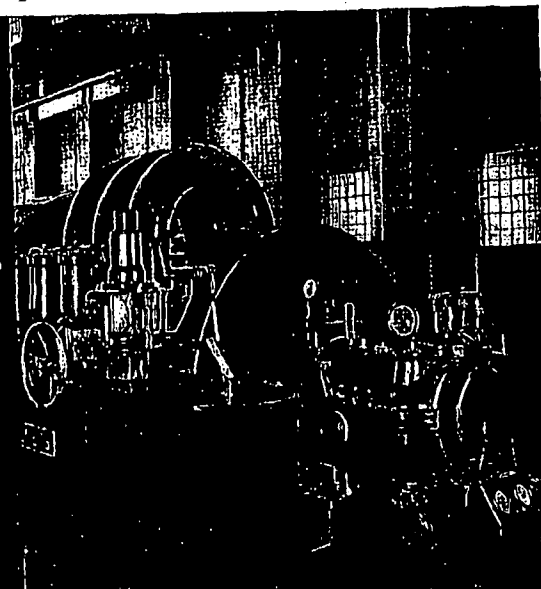
At technical sessions on Friday morning, diesel applications of an industrial and marine nature will be discussed. Then, in the afternoon, inspection tours are arranged, including, among others, diesel div of Nordberg Mfg Co, St. Louis Shipbuilding and Steel, Fulton Iron Works, McDonald Aircraft Corp, Shell Petroleum's Research Laboratories and Aluminum Co of America.

At Saturday morning's technical session, rail application of the diesel engine and centrifugal blowers for diesel engines will be reviewed.

As in the past, there will be an exhibit of products made by leading builders of diesels and accessories.

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