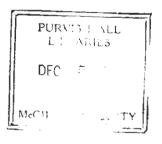
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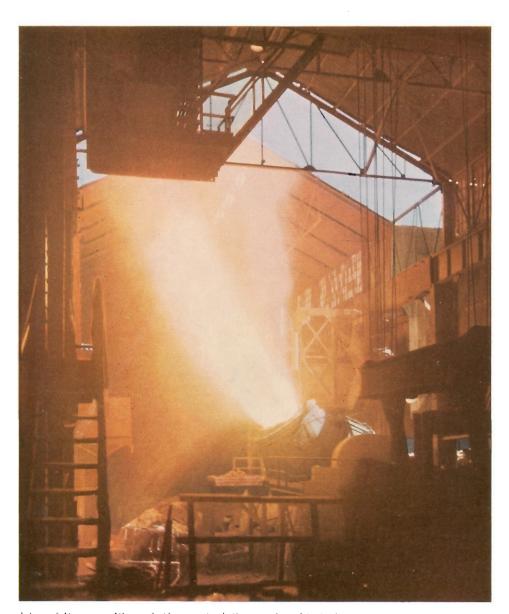
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED APRIL 30th 1949



# 14th ANNUAL REPORT

for the fiscal year ended April 30th, 1949





View of Bessemer Plant of Algoma Steel Corporation, Limited.

## board of directors

SIR JAMES DUNN, Bart., K.C.					
HON, T. A. CRERAR					Winnipeg, Manitoba
HON. J. GORDON FOGO, K.C.					Ottawa, Ontario
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JOHN L. LANG, M.E					Sault Ste. Marie, Ontario
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JOSEPH SIMARD, O.B.E	,				Montreal, Quebec
LEO II. TIMMINS, M.E.					Montreal, Quebec

# executive committee

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## officers

SIR JAMES DUNN, Bart.	K.C.		Pres	iden	t & Chairman, Board of Directors
JOHN A. McPHAIL, K.C.					Vice-President & Vice-Chairman
E. GORDON McMILLAN,	K.C.				Vice-President
HON, J. GORDON FOGO,	K.C.		,		Vice-President
DAVID S. HOLBROOK .					Executive Vice-President
LOUIS II. DERRER					. General Manager, Steel Works
TOM GOULD					Executive Assistant to President
H. G. MacADAM					Secretary
ERNEST W. SHELL					Treasurer
JOHN B. BARBER					Comptroller





General view of Algoma Steel Works, Sault Ste, Marie, Ontario, Canada,

# president's report

#### TO THE SHAREHOLDERS:



The Board of Directors herewith submits your Company's financial statements and your Auditor's report for the fiscal year ended April 30, 1949.

The following comparisons with the previous fiscal year show the most significant changes in the financial position of your Company:

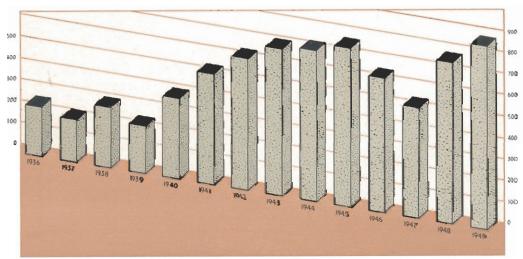
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	April 30 1919	April 30 1948	Increase
Profit from Operations	$\sim 8 - 7.958.982$	8 - 1.800.513	83.158,169
Income and Excess Profit Taxes			
Net Profit and a second and a second and	4.035,956	2.019.299	2.016.657
Net Profit per Share Common Stock	9.78	4.79	1.99
Earned Surplus			3.935.956
Working Capital	14,056,061	11.091.632	2.961.132

Your attention is drawn to change in accounting policy from previous years. We are legally advised that vacation wages accrue when employees qualify for vacations and estimated amount of vacation wages payable in fiscal year ending April 30th, 1950, has therefore been provided for in determining Net Profit for this fiscal year. This provision amounted to approximately \$185,000.

During this fiscal year the Works reached and maintained highest level of operations attained in any of 14 years since your Company was formed. Production amounted to 1,228,077 tons Coke, 894,220 tons Iron and 871,013 tons Steel Ingots. The following chart gives a comparison of this record Ingot production with previous years.

### STEEL INGOT PRODUCTION BY FISCAL YEARS

HUNDREDS OF THOUSANDS NET TONS



This achievement resulted from sustained demand for Steel at high level throughout year and unusually high demand for Pig Iron by Canadian Foundries.

Your Company met this demand by continued use of Bessemer Converter plant to provide hot metal which accelerated usual Open Hearth Steel making process and by operation of all five Blast Furnaces and by general improvement in Works.

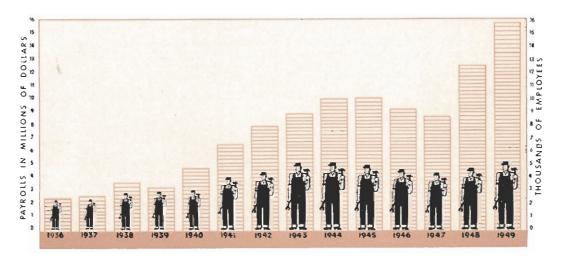
This increased production together with slightly improved domestic prices and permission from Federal Government to participate more fully in export market at higher than domestic prices resulted in increase of approximately \$16,000,000 in Sales over previous year.

Profit from Operations increased \$3.158.169 and Net Profit increased \$2.016.657. Net profit amounted to \$4.035.956 equal to \$9.78 per Common Share—an increase of \$4.99 per Share. Total Net Profit has again been transferred to Earned Surplus.

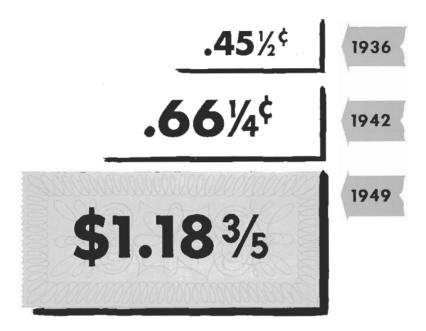
A total of \$1,552,698 was spent on additions to and improvements in Plant and Equipment this year and further reduction of \$250,000 was effected in Plant Extension Liability. You will be pleased to note that Working Capital increased by \$2,961,432. Although labour relations were generally satisfactory this year and a new working agreement was negotiated and executed with United Steelworkers Local 2251 effective for one year from April 23rd, 1949, it is the opinion of your Directors and Officers that wages demanded by labour for its efforts have been increasing faster than ability of labour to produce goods and ability of Canadian economy to purchase them.

An increasing proportion of revenue has been paid to employees. In 1936—2275 employees received 82.512.267 in wages and salaries, whereas in 1949—5119 employees received 816,095,174. This represented six fold increase in amount of wages and salaries with only slightly over two fold increase in number of employees.

#### **EMPLOYEES AND PAYROLLS**



During the 11 years since 1935 average bourly wage of employees has increased from  $451\frac{1}{2}$  cents in 1936 to \$1.18-3-5 in 1949.



#### TRON ORE AND COAL SUBSIDIARIES

ALGONA ORE PROPERTIES LIMITED had a successful year producing and selling at an advance in price 505,308 tons of Algoma Sinter and producing in addition 78,000 tons after close of navigation.

On the night of January 1st last, a fire occurred in the Sink Float Plant where low grade ores are treated before being sent to the Sintering Plant. The restoration necessary delayed the operation of the Sink Float Plant sixty days after its regular period for beginning spring operations. The damage done was covered by insurance.

The development of underground mining at the Helen by block cave system has gone steadily forward and there is every evidence that the production of 1,000,000 tons of Algoma Sinter will be achieved during the year 1950. The sinter continues in demand at higher prices than previously—approximately 4–5ths of the production being marketed in the United States.

Exploration during the year resulted in the discovery on Siderite Hill of a body of siderite ore more extensive than either the Helen or Victoria—analysis as good as the Helen and Victoria—this discovery was made a few miles East of the Victoria on lands owned by this Company or its forebears for half a century.

CANNELTON COVE & COKE COMPANY and LAKE SUPERIOR COVE COMPANY had their most successful year. You are aware of the difficulties the coal industry of the United States has been experiencing lately.

I refer with deep regret to the death on October 8th, 1948, of our General Sales Manager, Mr. Rex Nicholson, who had been with the Company for 32 years. He was loved and respected by a vast circle of friends.

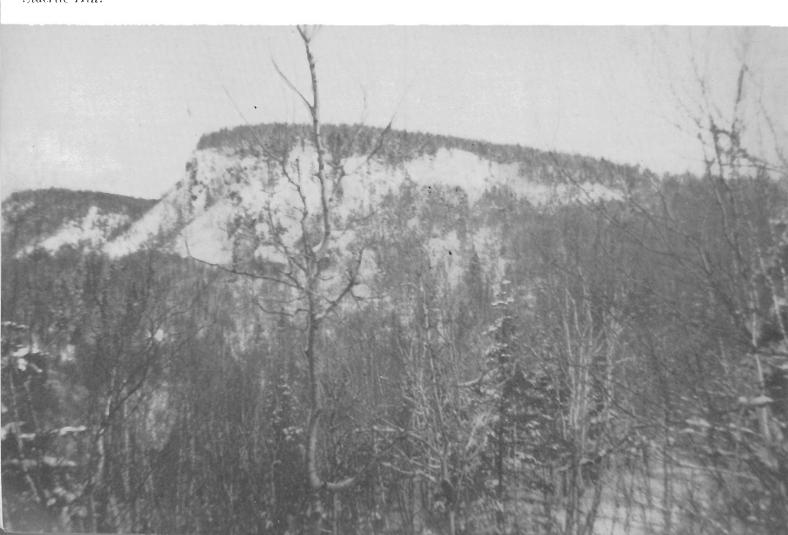
Mr. Nicholson is succeeded by Mr. Carson Weeks who has grown up in the Company's service and who will manage our sales operations from Head Office at Sault Ste. Marie.

During the year Mr. W. Jeffrey retired as Secretary of the Company due to failing health. Mr. Jeffrey was an efficient and highly respected member of our organization. Mr. H. G. Mac Vdam has been appointed to succeed Mr. Jeffrey.

James Dunn, President & Chairman, Board of Directors.

Sault Ste. Marie, Ontario. November 14th, 1949.

Siderite Hill.



## Balance Sheet as at April 30th, 1949

#### ASSETS

CURRENT:	8 2,541,996
Cash	8 2,541,996
Sundry Debtors 8 7,0	012.590
Subsidiary Companies	
Substituty Companies	7,034,653
Inventories:	
As determined by the management, valued at the lower of cost or market:	
Raw materials, semi-finished products and supplies	294,918
Saleable Products	540,602
\$11,	835,520
Advance Payments on Contracts	
	\$21,762,396
Advances to Subsidiary Companies	·
INVESTMENTS:	
Subsidiary Companies	. , , \$ 1,620,924
Other	
PROPERTY AND EQUIPMENT:	1,840,542
Land, Buildings and Equipment	\$29,539,432
Less: Reserve for Depreciation	
	\$15,470,820
Franchise	
	15,490,820
Prepayments and Deferred Charges	431,667
	839,545,496

### LIABILITIES

Current:									
Accrued Wages and Salaries .								8 1,254,847	
Accounts Payable and Accrued I									
Sundry Creditors				\$	2,3	74,4	67		
Subsidiary Companies					1,85	50,6	98		
				-		-		4,225,165	
Current Liability re Plant Exten								250,000	
Income and Excess Profits Taxes	з.								
									\$ 7,706,332
DEFERRED LIABILITY RE PLANT EX	XTEN:	SION							489,313
Reserves:									
For Rebuilding and Relining Furn	naces	and	oth	er (	One	rati	nø		
Reserves								\$ 4,405,415	
For Contingencies									
•									4.614.218
Capital Stock and Surplus:									
Common Stock—No par value:									
Authorized-1,000,000 shares									
Issued — 412,700 shares						,		\$10,274,500	
Distributable Surplus									
Earned Surplus									
			•	•	•				26,735,633

AUDITORS' REPORT

To The Shareholders,

ALGOMA STEEL CORPORATION, LIMITED, Sault Ste. Marie, Ontario, Canada.

We have examined the books and accounts of Algoma Steel Corporation, Limited for the year ended April 30th, 1949, and report that we have received all the information and explanations which we have required.

In our opinion, the Profit and Loss Account and the above Balance Sheet are properly drawn up so as to exhibit a true and correct view of the state of the Corporation's affairs as at April 30th, 1949, and the result of its operations for the year then ended, according to the best of our information and the explanations given to us and as shown by the books of the Corporation.

Toronto, Ontario, October 26th, 1949.

"Barrow, Wade, Guthrie & Co." Chartered Accountants.

\$39,545,496

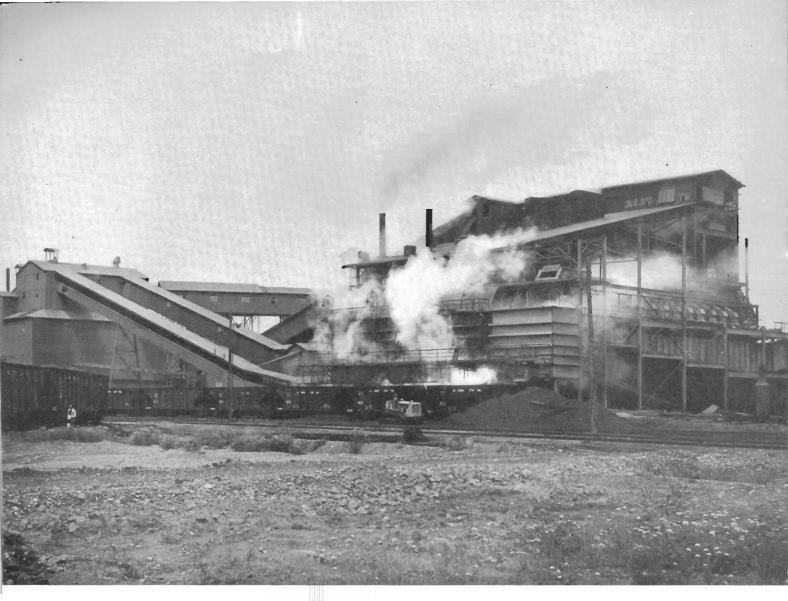
# **Profit and Loss Account**

for the year ended April 30th, 1949

Profit from Operations	8 7,958.982
Dividends Received	5,587 - 8 7,964,569
Interest on Loans	
Profit Before Depreciation	\$ 7,836,815
Plant and Equipment	1,233,593
Profit for Year before providing for Income Taxes	8 6,603,222
Provision for Income and Excess Profits Taxes	2,567,266
NET PROFIT FOR THE YEAR ,	8 4,035,956

# **Earned Surplus Account**

Balance at Credit, April 30th, 1948	8 9,692,454
Net Profit for the year ended April 30th, 1949	4.035,956
	813,728,410
Deduct: Appropriation for Reserve for Contingencies	100,000
Balance at Credit, April 30th, 1949	813,628,410





General view of Sintering Plant seven miles from Michipicoten Harbour on Lake Superior.

PLANT . . . . . . . . . . . Sault Ste. Marie, Ontario

EXECUTIVE OFFICES . . . Sault Ste. Marie, Ontario

SALES OFFICES . . . . Sault Ste. Marie, Ontario

Bank of Montreal Building, Toronto, Ontario

Sun Life Building, Montreal, Quebec

### PRODUCTS

COKE HEAVY STRUCTURALS
Industrial and Domestic

CARBON MERCHANT BARS
COKE OVEN BY-PRODUCTS
& LIGHT STRUCTURALS

Benzol, Light Oil.
Sulphate of Ammonia.
ALLOY MERCHANT BARS

Tar. Naphthaline, Pyridine
ZEE BARS

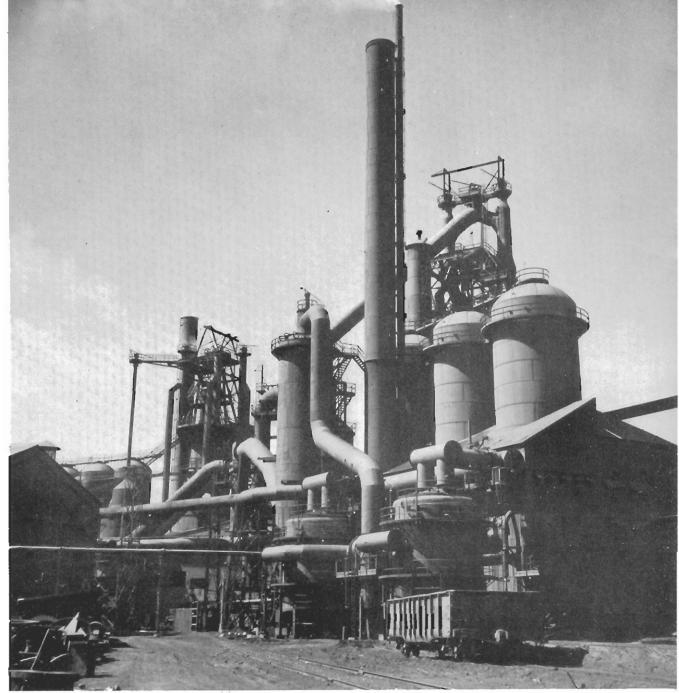
PIG IRON
Foundry SHEET PHANG

Malleable
Basic SHIP CHANNELS

BLOOMS, BILLETS & SLABS CENTRE SILLS

HEAVY RAILS LIGHT RAILS

RAIL FASTENINGS GRINDING BALLS





View of No. 5 Blast Furnace, 205 feet high, with No. 1 Blast Furnace in left centre.

## SUBSIDIARY COMPANIES

Name and Business	Where Incorporated
ALGOMA ORE PROPERTIES LIMITED  Mines and Sinters Iron Ore	Ontario
CANNELTON COAL & COKE COMPANY Mines Coal	West Virginia
LAKE SUPERIOR COAL COMPANY Mines Coal	. West Virginia
TWO CITIES TRANSIT COMPANY LIMITED Operates Bus System to Kinross Airport	Ontario
SOO TRANSPORTATION COMPANY Operates Bus System in Sault Ste Marie, Michigan	Michigan
SAULT WINDSOR HOTEL LIMITED Operates Hotel in Sault Ste. Marie	Ontario
FIBORN LIMESTONE COMPANY	Michigan
ALGOMA STEEL PRODUCTS COMPANY LIMITED	
Sells Products of Algoma Steel Corporation, Limited in Western Canada	Manitoba
SOUTHERN ALGOMA RAILWAY COMPANY	Ontario
ALCOMA TRAMWAYS LIMITED	Ontario



Sintering Plant in foreground with Jamestown in distance on Waver lake front.

