

Golden Medal for this achievement. He carried on railroad construction to the Great West of China during World War II until he was appointed by the National Government in War Capital Chung-king as the Vice Minister of Communications in 1945. He is an outstanding engineer, valued by the whole nation not only for his technical competency but also for his unselfish leadership.

Besides his engineering and administrative achievements, Mr. Ling is also a top grade scholar for Chinese poetry and calligraphy: a rare combination, almost becoming a legend.

In 1954, Mr. Ling published an authoritative treatise on engineering and economic history of Modern China entitled "History of Chinese Railroads" (中國鐵路志). All through the years he has carefully compiled and analyzed a tremendous amount of valuable and not otherwise available materials and documents, the essence of which he has presented in this book in Chinese. This book, 450 pages with 40 maps, is divided into two parts, totaling 22 chapters. The first part deals with general topics and the second part relates histories of each individual railway, with particular reference to political and historical background, method of financing, engineering highlights and operation features.

As National Government moved to Taiwan, Mr. Ling has been entrusted by the Government by appointing him Chairman on Board of the Government-operated Chinese Petroleum Corporation (CPC), with its main office in Taipei, Taiwan. Through his wise supervision, the production of CPC has risen every year. The profit of CPC for year 1962 was over 10 million United States dollars, and the corporation is considered as one of the best-managed industrial organization in the Far East.

May we all extend our best wishes to him on his birthday and salute him as an exemplification of modern Chinese engineers.

BEST WISHES TO MR. H. H. LING

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Mr. H. H. Ling (凌鴻勛), one of the founders of C. I. E., is attaining 70 years of age this year. He is running strong, healthy, and in excellent working spirit; attending his office daily in Taipei, Taiwan, as Board Chairman of Chinese Petroleum Corporation. We take great pleasure to reproduce his recent photo with Mrs. Ling, taken New Year's Day 1963, at his home in Taipei. His contribution to his mother country will be briefly reviewed here.

Mr. Ling is an educationist, a railroad engineer, and an industrial executive, achieving each field to its excellence by virtue of his farsightedness, leadership, and unselfishness. As an educationist, he was the President of National Chiao-tung University, which was his Alma Mater, from 1924 to 1927, and by consolidating the spadework of preceding President Tang Wen Sze (唐文治), laid the foundation of that institution as the cradle for training young modern engineers in China. He is a marvelous teacher. He led the students not only for the profession to build and to do as engineers, but guided them in spirit to a high code of ethics for the welfare of mankind.

As a railroad engineer, he worked his way through first as a bridge designing engineer with his solid background of Chiao-tung engineering education in China, and his mastery of technical experience which he received through the practical training at American Bridge Company in the United States. He was promoted from Division Engineer, to Chief Engineer, and to Director in charge of construction of new projected lines. He built many railroads in China, across the country. Among them, the most significant, is his work of connecting the northern section of Kwantung-hankow Railroad to the southern section through the mountainous district of Shao-Kwan (韶關) in 1933-1936. He was awarded the C.I.E.