

# 50th Anniversary

## FOREWORD

*This issue of Railway Signaling and Communications completes 50 years of editorial service to the railroad field, for it was in May 1908 that the first issue of "The Signal Engineer," forerunner of the present magazine, was published. In this, our golden anniversary issue, we are not going to burden you with a detailed history of the development of signal and communications apparatus since the year 1. Rather, we offer concise statements of how and why systems and equipment were developed. Thus our discussions are limited to those matters which should be the basis for important considerations for the future. With reference to developments since 1913, much of the information presented is based on my own observations while working on railroads 1913-1921, and since 1921 on editorial trips on railroads. Reference to articles in past issues of this magazine are given in this form, "June 1929, p. 30."*

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