



George O. Argall, Jr. (1913-2002)

1991 Medal of Merit Recipient

George Argall, mining engineer, technical editor and publisher, has since 1950 chronicled the events of the mining industry. He served as the editor of *Mining World*, *World Mining*, *World Coal* and *International Mining*, and continues to serve as a contributing editor for *Engineering and Mining Journal*.

Argall was born to a mining family and obtained his early education in Leadville, Colorado. He graduated from the Colorado School of Mines in 1935 and began his engineering career with United States Vanadium Corporation. During World War II, he served as a supervising engineer for the Reconstruction Finance Corporation and as an officer with the United States Navy's Construction Battalions. Argall's public service has continued through his work as one of the five United States members of the World Mining Congress.

During his long editorial career, Argall has also created, organized, and staged a series of mining symposia throughout the world and was one of the first mining engineers to enter China after the normalization of relations. His books covering these symposia, as well as other mineral resource books and world maps covering coal and porphyry copper deposits, have been significant contributions to the mining industry.