

# American Institute of Electrical Engineers

(810)

2.10.99

345 EAST 47th STREET ♦ NEW YORK 17, N. Y. ♦ PLaza 2-6800 (Area Code 212)

*United Engineering Center*

John W. Davis  
Director at Large

Southern Bell Tel. & Tel. Co.  
P.O. Box 2211  
Atlanta 1, Georgia

➔ Copy to: Mr. N. S. Hibshman  
345 East 47th Street  
New York 17, N. Y.

July 23, 1962

Mr. W. H. Chase, President, A.I.E.E.  
750 Huron Road  
Cleveland 15, Ohio

Dear Warren:

Re your letter of 6-28-62 requesting names of individuals who can be counted on to produce creditably in connection with the task ahead in organizing IEEE.

My tardiness is due to my vacation following the Summer General Meeting. As I was already too late to meet a 7-6-62 requested date I have delayed a little longer to avail myself of the advice of some others who are familiar with the problems.

Attached is a list of twenty-seven men who have already demonstrated ability and dedication by their work in AIEE. These names have been verified in the 1962 Directory. There may be some changes in addresses but these are the best I have, and known changes have been included.

The office of Regional Director is most important. Ben V. Martin, Vice President District 4, is in my opinion, the best qualified man in the Region 3 Area. He was the prime mover on the committee to divide old District 4 into present Districts 4 and 13. I was chairman of that committee but he supplied the spade work, which after eight years of effort by four successive committees resulted in approval of the split. His work as former district representative on the Membership Committee is still being felt. You are familiar with his capable and enthusiastic performance as Vice President of District 4. He is capable, well liked by his fellow workers, and a natural organizer who would supply the enthusiasm needed for this important assignment.



Dr. Ben J. Dasher, Director of the Electrical Engineering School at the Georgia Institute of Technology is a member of IRE Board and has been quite active in IRE circles. While he has not been too active in AIEE work I am sure he can be counted on to work well in the IEEE organization.

W. C. Burnett, Chairman of the Wire Communications Committee, has been a very effective worker and can be counted on for expanded work in IEEE.

Professor Walter J. Seeley, Dean of Engineering at Duke University and past Vice President of combined Districts 4 and 13 is a dedicated worker and very much interested in this type of work.

Carlyle W. Woodruff, Chairman of the Georgia Section AIEE, is doing an outstanding job and deserves recognition on a National level. He has been carrying the load in this Section for some time.

John D. Howard, Jr. of the Nashville, Tennessee Section is also on the Wire Communications Committee. He has done excellent work for AIEE, both in District 4 and in District 13. He has potential for advancement to higher offices in IEEE.

W. L. Sullivan, General Engineering Training and Personnel Supervisor for Southern Bell, in the Georgia Section, is on the Education Committee. I understand he is doing an excellent job on this committee. He also has potential for advancement in IEEE.

Stanley Warth, District Representative on the Membership Committee in District 4 of the Jacksonville Section is a strong candidate for District Vice President. He has great potential and is a member of IRE and various Engineering Societies in Florida.

I have not gone into great detail on any of these men and have only mentioned a few who have, to my personal knowledge, done outstanding jobs, both in their Company work and in professional societies.

You will also note that I have mentioned only one in District 13 as I am less familiar with them than those in District 4. I am sure Professor Walter Criley, Vice President of District 13 will give you the data on a number of good men in that area. I have also tried not to over balance this recommendation with men from my own Company.

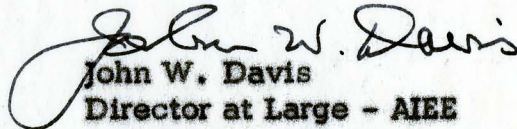
I would like to urge that consideration be given in the selection of officers to some of the younger element as they can supply needed effort and enthusiasm which may be waning in some of the older men. These younger



men can usually rely on the sponsorship of their Companies, which will cease with many of the older ones upon their retirement from active duty.

I will be happy to be of any assistance I can in the organization of IEEE, either from the side lines or otherwise.

Sincerely,

  
John W. Davis  
Director at Large - AIEE

Copy to: Mr. N. S. Hibshman