



SOUTH EAST DISTRICT (No. 4)

Address Reply to:

P. O. Box 1399 Charlotte 1, N. C. July 30, 1962

Mr. Warren H. Chase, President American Institute of Electrical Engineers 345 East 47th Street New York 17, New York

Dear Warren:

I am attaching my ballot on the group of officers proposed by the 14-Man Committee dated July 27, 1962, marked "I disapprove". I disapprove this because of the following reasons:

- Director from Region #3 Thomas F. Jones does not reside within the boundaries as proposed for Region #3. If this is the Thomas Jones from Purdue University, who is transferring to the University of South Carolina, August 1st, we oppose his nomination because he has not worked within the Region and would not be a true representative from this area.
- 2) We do not feel that there has been a fair or just representation from a geographical standpoint in that District #2 has five men on the Board of Directors with three coming from one section.
- 3) When I last talked to you, and wrote both you and Bradley Cozzens, concerning the boundaries of Region #3, we were told that this would come up for further discussion. Mr. Briggs, Vice President of Region #3 IRE, is still of the opinion that there are adjustments to be made in the boundaries.
- At the last Directors Meeting, there were only eight Regions. Your letter gave nine Regions. Adding #8 as Europe. We feel that the United States should have more districts and that outside of the United States, one Region is sufficient. You will recall that Mr. Hickernell raised this point in his letter in December and most of the people concurred that we are not going to try to cover the world with sections and representatives.

I would certainly love to have some guidance from a grass root point of view as to just what we should be doing at the present time. We have practically gotten agreements between all sections of the AIRE and the IRE as far as territorial boundaries are concerned in old District #4. This is very discouraging to find we are working to get a smoothly integrated Society and find that our recommendations are not even being considered when you pick representatives on the Board.

Sincerely,

Ben V. Martin - Vice President
District #4

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