# AMERICAN INSTITUTE of ELECTRICAL ENGINEERS

# Annual Convention



Saratoga Springs, N.Y. June 22-26 1925

Headquarters:
UNITED STATES HOTEL

# Condensed Program

#### MONDAY

10.00 a.m. Sections Meeting 2.00 p.m. Sections Meeting

Evening Informal Cards and Dancing

#### TUESDAY

9.30 a.m. Presidential Address
Presentation of Prizes
Session No. 1

10.30 a.m. Ladies' Putting Contest

1.30 p.m. Golf Tournament

2.00 p.m. Tennis Tournament
Trip to Adirondack Power
Plants

4.30 p.m. Piano Recital

8.30 p.m. Reception and Dance

#### WEDNESDAY

9.30 a.m. Session No.2

12.30 p.m. Trip to General Electric Works

6.45 p.m. Past Presidents' and Directors'
Dinner

8.30 p.m. Hydroelectric Addresses

#### THURSDAY

9.30 a.m. Sessions Nos. 3 and 4

1.30 p.m. Golf Tournaments

2.00 p.m. Tennis Tournament Lake George Trip

8.00 p.m. Directors' Meeting

8.30 p.m. Educational Address

#### FRIDAY

9.30 a.m. Session No.5

1.30 p.m. Golf Contest

2.00 p.m. Tennis Tournament

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of the

### AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF ELECTRICAL ENGINEERS

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#### REGISTRATION

Upon arrival all members and guests are requested to register promptly at the Convention headquarters where they will receive badges and may obtain information on all events of the Convention.

Registration for the tennis tournament closes at 1:00 p.m. Tuesday at the hotel.

Registration for the golf tournament should be made as soon as possible, but may be made at the MacGregor links until 3:00 p.m. Tuesday.

Registration for trips should be made as soon as possible.

# Program

(Note:-Daylight-saving time is indicated throughout this program.)

### Monday

10:00 a.m.—Section Delegates Conference

2:00 p.m.—Section Delegates Conference

Evening—Informal Cards, Music and Dancing

# Tuesday

9:30 a.m.—Presidential Address

Dr. FARLEY OSGOOD President, American Institute of Electrical Engineers

Presentation of Institute Prizes

# Convention Program

TUESDAY, 9.30 a.m. (continued)

Technical Session No. 1

Present State of Transmission and Distribution Developments

by Committee on Power Transmission and Distribution

P. H. THOMAS, Chairman

Live Problems in Connection with Protection of Electrical Systems

by Committee on Protective Devices
H. R. WOODROW, Chairman

Latest Design and Practise in Power Plants by Committee on Power Generation VERN E. ALDEN, Chairman

Developments in Electrical Machine Design by Committee on Electrical Machinery H. M. HOBART, Chairman

Precision Watthour Meters and High-Frequency Measurement by Committee on Instruments and Measurements

A. E. KNOWLTON, Chairman

The Activities in Research

by Committee on Research

JOHN B. WHITEHEAD, Chairman

. 10:30 a.m.—Ladies' Putting Contest and Luncheon at the MacGregor Golf Links
(Cars leave hotel at 10:30 a.m.)

1:30 p.m.—Golf Tournaments at the MacGregor Links

(See page 10)
Mershon-Cup 18-hole handicap medal play (first half), and four-ball best-ball handicap medal play.

2:00 p.m.—Tennis Tournament at Saratoga Country Club Courts
(See page 10)

Trips to Adirondack Power & Light Company Plants

Amsterdam steam station; Sprite Creek remote-control hydroelectric station, and Rotterdam high-tension substation

4:30 p.m.—Piano Recital by Professor Vladimir Karapetoff.

8:30 p.m.—President's Reception and Informal Dance

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### Wednesday

9:30 a.m.—Technical Session No. 2

Developments in Applying Electricity to Industrial Uses

by Committee on General Power Applications
A. E. WALLER, Chairman

Electricity's, Progress in the Iron and Steel Industry
by Committee on Applications to Iron and
Steel Production
F. B. CROSBY, Chairman

Advances in Use of Electricity in Mines
by Committee on Applications to Mining
Work
F. L. STONE, Chairman

Rules and Personnel Problems of the Marine Field
by Committee on Applications to Marine
Work

L. C. BROOKS, Chairman

Progress in Diverse Lines of Electrochemistry and Electrometallurgy

by Committee on Electrochemistry and Electrometallurgy GEORGE W. VINAL, Chairman

A Year's Progress in Lighting

by Committee on Production and Application

of Light

G. H. STICKNEY, Chairman

Recent Advances in the Communication Art by Committee on Communication

O. B. BLACKWELL, Chairman

Revised Standards and the Organization of Standards Activities

by Standards Committee

H. S. OSBORNE, Chairman

12:30 p.m.—Trip to General Electric Company

Luncheon will be served at the plant

6:45 p.m.—Past-Presidents' and Directors' Dinner

8:30 p.m.—Addresses on Hydroelectric Developments

Power Possibilities at Muscle Shoals
SAMUEL S. WYER, Consulting Engineer

The 540,000-hp. Hydroelectric Development at Isle Maligne, Quebec

WILLIAM S. LEE, Vice-President and Chief Engineer Southern Power Company

# Convention Program

Thursday

9:30 a.m.—Technical Session No. 3

(Liberty Room)

Engineering and Economic Elements of Two-Phase Five-wire Distribution

P. H. CHASE Philadelphia Electric Co.

Philadelphia Electric Co.

An analysis of the merits of the two-phase five-wire secondary distribution system as compared with other systems. Among the customer requirements considered are continuity of service, safety, standard voltages, voltage regulation and balance, and utilization equipment and wiring. Among the distribution-system requirements are simplicity, standardization, load and voltage balance, adaptability to physical conditions and to growth, investment, losses, costs, and the combination of lighting and power secondaries. power secondaries.

The Oil-Circuit-Breaker Situation from an Operator's E. C. STONE Duquesne Light Co. Viewpoint

This paper is an assembly of the present knowledge on (1) factors affecting interrupting capacity, (2) features of design considered essential, (3) factors affecting interrupting duty, (4) relations between ratings and cost, (5) present status of interrupting ratings and (6) applications and maintenance.

The Quadrant Electrometer

W. B. KOUWENHOVEN
Johns Hopkins University
This paper discusses the theory of the quadrant electrometer in respect to power measurements and reduces the general equation to a simple form. It shows how the constants may be determined with continuous current and that these constants apply also in a.-c. power meas-

A New Method and Means for Measuring Dielectric Absorption

prption R. E. MARBURY Westinghouse Electric & Mfg. Co.

An instrument called a "dielectric lag meter" for measuring dielectric absorption has been developed. This paper tells of this instrument and its use in making measurements, particularly in three types of tests, namely: (1) residual voltage against time, (2) residual voltage against applied voltage and (3) discharge curves with condenser and resistance.

9:30 a.m.—Technical Session No. 4 (Ball Room)

Separate Leakage Reactance of Transformer Windings O. G. C. DAHL

Massachusetts Institute of Technology

This paper discusses an experimental method of determining as a separate reactance the leakage reactance of transformer windings. The results obtained are consistent and accurate enough for engineering purposes.

Transformer Harmonics and Their Distribution

O. G. C. DAHL Massachusetts Institute of Technology

This paper discusses the distribution of harmonics in single-phase transformers. Formulas for distribution of harmonic currents between primary and secondary circuits are given. Laboratory and field test results check well with calculated values.

A New Two-Phase to Six-Phase Transformer Con-A. BOYAJIAN General Electric Co. nection

A new transformer connection for which is claimed 100 per cent apparatus efficiency for transformation from two-phase to six-phase is described in this paper. Its merits are compared with those of the Scott and the Woodbridge connections.

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Technical Session No. 4 (continued)

Resolution of Transformer Reactances into Primary and Secondary Reactances

A. BOYAJIAN General Electric Co.

In this paper the stand is taken that the resolution of the leakage reactance of two windings into two separate reactances, one for each winding, is indeterminate unless referred to a third winding and that it varies according to the object in view. Formulas are given for some possible resolutions and experimental methods are described.

Losses in Iron Under the Action of Superposed A.-C. and D.-C. Excitations

O. E. CHARLTON Alabama Power Co. J. E. JACKSON General Electric Co.

This study is particularly related to d.-c. excited reactors and the results indicate that the iron losses are not excessive. In fact, with high a.-c. saturation they may decrease. The copper losses resulting from double-frequency circulating current may be considerable if the conductor is not sufficiently large.

1:30 p.m.—Golf Tournaments Mershon Cup (second half) and "Knickers" Handicap

2:00 p.m.—Tennis Tournament

Lake George Excursion Trip Special train leaves D. & H. Station, Saratoga, promptly at 2:00 p.m., d.s.t.

8:00 p.m.—Directors' Meeting

8:30 p.m.—Educational Address Engineering-Education Systems of Europe

W. E. WICKENDEN Director of Investigations, Society for the Promotion of Engineering Education

Friday

9:30 a.m.—Technical Session No. 5

Study of Time Lag of the Needle Gap

K. B. McEACHRON E. J. WADE Both of General Electric Co.

Transients lasting only one-millionth of a second may be photographed by the adaptation of the Dufour oscillograph which is described in this paper. In this adaptation the photographic film is placed inside the exhausted tube. The paper gives an account of studies made with the instrument on the time lag of needle gaps.

Oscillograph Solution of Electro-Mechanical Systems C. A. NICKLE General Electric Co.

This paper describes a simple method for the easy solution of complicated dynamic problems such as those of electrical power systems or of mechanical systems. The problem is set up on an "equivalent electrical circuit" and the solution is made by means of an oscillograph. The application of the method to several cases is illustrated.

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Technical Session No. 5 (continued)

The Klydonograph and Its Application to Surge Investigations J. H. COX
J. W. LEGG
Both of Westinghouse Electric & Mfg. Co.

made by the use of the klydonograph are discussed in this paper. There is also information on the latest dethis paper. There is also information on the latest developments in this instrument which utilizes Lichtenberg figures on a photographic emulsion for obtaining records of surges.

Overvoltages on Transmission Systems Due to Dropping of Load E. J. BURNHAM General Electric Co.

This paper shows the manner in which voltage rises when load suddenly goes off a waterwheel-driven generator or a hydroelectric station. Tests and calculations prove that the voltage rises more rapidly and to a greater extent than has generally been realized.

#### The Loaded Submarine Telegraph Cable

O. E. BUCKLEY Bell Telephone Laboratories, Inc.

A speed of over 1900 letters per minute, or four times the traffic capacity of an ordinary submarine telegraph cable has been obtained on the new permalloy-loaded cable from New York to the Azores. This paper treats of the design and tests of the new type of cable, particularly with reference to long-distance submarine application.

1:30 p.m.—Selected-Score Golf Contest

2:00 p.m.—Tennis Tournament

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# Special Features

#### The President's Address

On Tuesday morning Dr. Farley Osgood will deliver the presidential address in the Ball Room of the hotel.

#### Section Delegates' Meeting

The section delegates will meet Monday morning and afternoon, under the auspices of the Sections Committee, to discuss the problems and activities of the sections. All Institute members are invited to attend this meeting.

#### Hydroelectric Addresses

On Wednesday evening two interesting addresses on hydroelectric power developments will be given. Samuel S. Wyer will present Power Possibilities at Muscle Shoals. Following this William S. Lee will describe the 540,000-h.p. Hydroelectric Development on the Saquenay River at Isle Maligne, Quebec.

#### **Engineering Education**

A lecture on European systems of engineering education will be given on Thursday evening by Dr. W. E. Wickenden, Director of Investigations of the Society for the Promotion of Engineering Education.

#### **Prizes for Papers**

The Institute prizes for papers will be presented to the winners on Tuesday morning. Two prizes of \$100 each will be presented. The "Transmission Prize" will be presented to R. D. Evans and R. C. Bergvall, authors of the paper entitled Experimental Analysis of Stability and Power Limitations. The "First Paper Prize" will be presented to Murray F. Gardner for his paper Corona Investigation on an Artificial Line.

#### Inspection Trips

On Tuesday afternoon visits will be made to three plants of the Adirondack Power & Light Company that are of special interest, namely, the Amsterdam steam station, the Sprite Creek remote-control hydroelectric station and the Rotterdam high-tension sub-

After the Wednesday morning technical session the General Electric Company will entertain both ladies and men with a trip to Schenectady. A special train will leave the D. & H. Station, Saratoga, at 12:30 p.m., sharp, daylight-saving time. Luncheon will be served at the General Electric Plant, followed by fac-

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tory inspection trips for the men. A musicale and tea will be arranged for the ladies at the Mohawk Golf Club. Returning to Saratoga a special train will leave the General Electric Works at 5:15 p.m., daylight-saving time.

#### Golf and Tennis

The golf tournament for the Mershon Cup will start at the MacGregor Links beginning Tuesday afternoon at 1:30 p.m. Registration will close at 3:00 p.m. Tuesday at the links.

A ladies' putting contest will be held on Tuesday morning at the MacGregor links. Lunch will be served afterwards at the club. Cars will leave the hotel at 10:30 a.m.

The Mershon Cup tennis tournament will be held on the famous grass courts of the Saratoga Country Club at 2:00 p.m. Tuesday. Registration will close at 1:00 p.m. Tuesday, at the hotel.

Facilities for informal golf and tennis will be available at all times during the Convention.

#### Sightseeing Trips

On Thursday afternoon a convention trip by special train will be made to Lake George. The train will leave the D. & H. Station at 2:00 p.m.

Other sightseeing trips which will be of special interest may also be made to Saratoga and Schuylerville battle fields and to Saratoga Lake.

#### Prof. Karapetoff's Recital

On Tuesday, at 4:30 p.m., Prof. Vladimir Karapetoff, prominent Institute member, will give a piano recital with interesting interpretations such as have been enjoyed at other conventions.

#### Rules for Presenting and Discussing Papers

At the technical sessions papers will be presented in abstract, ten minutes being allowed for each paper.

If a member wishes to discuss a paper he should give his name to the registration bureau or to the presiding officer of the session at which the paper is to be presented. Any member, however, is perfectly free to discuss any paper when the meeting is thrown open for discussion, even though his name is not entered beforehand.

Discussors should step to the front of the room and announce their names and professional affiliations clearly so that all may hear.

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