Pompano Beach, Fla.
February 12, 1968.

Dear Nelson,

I have entered some words on your draft to go to Dick Teare withh you may wish to consider. I have kept the OUTLINE you sent as I presume you have ample copies.

If there is a record of the speech Linder made to the IRE Board I would not think that he would have it because of an incident which really is funny. George Bailey discovered that GE had bugged the room and had the devices removed just before the luncheon. My dim memory was that this had been done without Clarence's knowledge as a routine matter and the offending persons got the word to George that this was only for recording Clarence's remarks which were to be off the cuff. George regarded the whole thing as a covert spying operation engineered by some characters behind the scenes that were aiming to do the IRE crowd in. Anyhow, Clarence's means for recording were not there and, unless George provided a means of taking down the words there would be no record. I'll phone George some evening this week and if he knows of any record I'll tell you but if you do not hear from me it will be because George has nothing to offer.

Concerning your last sentence, I have always thought that the most important force that accelerated the merger effort was student engineers selecting IRE as embracing a more glamorous area than the staid old AIEE.

Sincerely,

[Signature]

P.S. Just wrote that he has been out a few days moving into a new house and now has gone through some of Don's files but cannot proceed further until Don returns, as home now with the flu. Theoppers paper on Wheatstone will appear in March issue of Spectrum. The Marriott piece will be in the April issue.