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Dear Nelson:

Herewith the Xerox copy I've had made of my correspondence with Llewellyn back in 1946 about the IRE in relation to the AIEE.

You will note at the top of p.3 my reference to a forthcoming "time to reorganize the field of the electrical societies"... "rapidly approaching..."

At the bottom of p.2 I spoke of the AIEE as being a society of "industry, rather than electrical engineering in its more scientific, inventive or academic aspect". This now applies to IEEE, the more so since Haggerty took over!

I have gotten to Crone the revised version of my paper on Lightning, giving a bit more credit to Franklin as you suggested. But, altogether, I have my fingers crossed on Franklin's image as Cohen has exploited it. Franklin did for Electricity what Gilbert did for magnetism in his 1600 book, namely synthesized the subject from the prior art. This, of course, <sup>is</sup> a service, but is all too often taken for origination.

Best of wishes for your own synthesis!

Cordially,



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