

Bancroft Gherardi

President-Elect of the A. I. E. E.

Bancroft Gherardi, vice-president and chief engineer, American Telephone & Telegraph Company, New York City, has been elected President of the American Institute of Electrical Engineers for the year beginning August 1, 1927, as announced in the report of the Committee of Tellers, published elsewhere in this issue.

President-elect Gherardi was born in San Francisco, Calif., April 6, 1873. He was graduated with the degree of B. S. from the Polytechnic Institute of Brooklyn in 1891, and from Cornell University with the degree of M. E. in 1893 and degree of M. M. E. in 1894.

Mr. Gherardi entered the employ of the New York Telephone Company in 1895 and in 1899 was made traffic engineer of that Company. In 1901 he became chief engineer of the New York and New Jersey Telephone Company, serving in that capacity until 1906, when he was made assistant chief engineer of the New York Telephone Company and New York and New Jersey Telephone Company. In 1907 he was appointed equipment engineer of the American Telephone and Telegraph Company, and in 1909 engineer of plant, in which capacity he served until 1918, when he was appointed acting chief engineer and chief engineer. In April 1920, he became vice-president and chief engineer of the American Telephone and Telegraph Company.

Mr. Gherardi's activities with the American Institute of Electrical Engineers are as follows: Associate 1895; Fellow 1912; Manager 1905-8—1914-16; Vice-President 1908-10. He has served upon various committees, including the Edison Medal, Telephony and Telegraphy, Papers, Finance, Membership, Organization of Technical Committees, Constitutional Revision, and Research. He represents the Institute on the U. S. National Committee of the International Electrotechnical Commission and the Board of Trustees of the United Engineering Society. At the present time, Mr. Gherardi is President of the United Engineering Society and a member of the Engineering Foundation Board. He is also a member of the American Society of Mechanical Engineers, New York Electrical Society, and the Franklin Institute. He is a member of the Joint General Committee of the

National Electric Light Association and Bell Telephone System and of its Engineering Subcommittee, and is chairman of the American Committee on Inductive Coordination.

A. I. E. E. Directors' Meeting

The meeting of the Board of Directors of the Institute called for New York on Friday, May 20, 1927, was adjourned and continued in Pitts-

field, Mass., on Thursday morning, May 26, during the Regional Convention of District No. 1.

Those present at one or both sessions were: President C. C. Chesney, Pittsfield, Mass.—Vice-Presidents H. M. Hobart, Schenectady, N. Y.; George L. Knight, Brooklyn, N. Y.—Managers H. C. Don Carlos, Toronto, Ont., E. B. Merriam, Schenectady, N. Y.—National Secretary F. L. Hutchinson, New York City. Present by invitation: Dr. C. H. Sharp, President, U. S. National Committee of the International Electrotechnical Commission; Dr. William McClellan, Chairman, Subcommittee on Reorganization of the U. S. National Committee of the I. E. C..

The minutes of the Directors' meeting of April 8, 1927, were approved.

A report was presented of a meeting of the Board of Examiners held May 16, 1927.

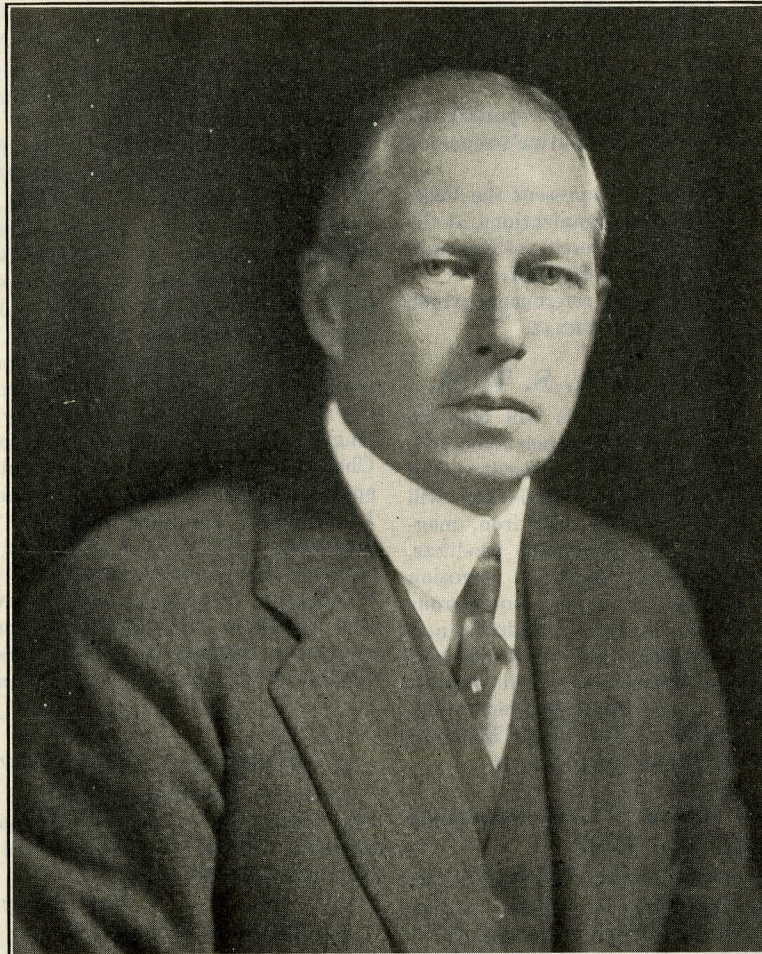
Upon the recommend-

ation of the Board of Examiners, the following actions were taken upon pending applications: 104 Students were ordered enrolled; 201 applicants were admitted to the grade of Associate; 5 applicants were elected to the grade of Member; 22 applicants were transferred to the grade of Member; 7 applicants were transferred to the grade of Fellow.

The Board ratified the approval by the Finance Committee for payment, of monthly bills amounting to \$28,522.40.

Upon application, and as provided in Article IV, Section 22, of the Constitution, the Board voted that the following members be made "Members for Life" by exemption from future annual dues: D. L. Davis (on membership list 38 years) and Alex. B. Simpson (on membership list 36 years).

The Secretary reported 1623 members delinquent in the payment of dues for the fiscal year ending April 30, 1927 (1508



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