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FROM: The Executive Secretary

Special to Sections and Branches

BOARDS APPROVE AIEE-IRE MERGER  
Members to Vote at Annual Meeting June 18

The Boards of Directors of AIEE and IRE, meeting concurrently in their respective headquarters with special telephone communication, succeeded in working out and un-animously approving an agreement to merge the two Institutes.

The agreement now goes to the memberships of the two organizations for a vote. If approved, the merger becomes effective January 1, 1963. To give the voting members a preview of the documents needing their approval, a supplement of this (April 1962) issue of ELECTRICAL ENGINEERING was prepared. Official copies of the Agreement for Merger and proxy forms will be mailed to the members during the first week of May. The vote will be taken at the 1962 Annual Meeting June 18, in Denver, Colorado. Proxies to be counted will be due at Headquarters June 11.

AIEE's corporation, with the name changed to the Institute of Electrical and Electronic Engineers (IEEE), will absorb the members, assets, and obligations of IRE.

The form of organization, with fewer, larger geographical Regions and a small Board of Directors, working through an active Executive Committee, is closer to that of IRE. Some activities, notably publications, will continue in much their present form until a gradual consolidation can be worked out. Sections, Subsections, Branches and other units of the two organizations will be brought together as rapidly as possible.

The two Boards were in session over one and a half days. The AIEE Directors found time to take action aside from the merger approval as follows:

Authorized the offering of two more group insurance plans to complete the program. The new plans will become available this summer to add straight life insurance and high-level accident coverage to the hospitalization and loss-of-income plans now in force. Over 2000 policies are now in effect covering AIEE members and their families.

There will be a 1963 Electrical Engineering Exposition with the next Winter General Meeting in New York. After hearing favorable reports on the outcome of the 1962 Exposition, the Board decided to approve a contract revision moving the next scheduled Exposition ahead by one year.

Six Fellows were elected. Their biographies and pictures will appear in the May issue of ELECTRICAL ENGINEERING.

Note: Here is the title page from the April "EE" Supplement:  
(As shown on the back)

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MERGER SUPPLEMENT

Part II. ELECTRICAL ENGINEERING, April 1962

Preview of Proposals for Merger

As Approved by the Boards of Directors of AIEE and IRE  
and  
Recommended for Approval by the Members of AIEE

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April 5-10, 1962	Members Receive April "EE" Supplement Preview
May 5-10, 1962	Members to Receive Proxy Forms
June 11, 1962, 5:00 P.M.	Proxy Votes Due at Headquarters
June 18, 1962, 2:00 P.M.	1962 Annual Meeting, Denver, Colorado
January 1, 1963	IEEE Established, if approved