

THE INSTITUTE OF RADIO ENGINEERS

October 25, 1961

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Mr. J.H. Foote Commonwealth Associates, Inc. 209 East Washington Street Jackson, Michigan

Dear Mr. Foote:

Now that the AIEE Board of Directors and the IRE Board of Directors, respectively on October 20 and 18, have approved proceeding with work essential to the development of a plan for consolidation of the two organizations, I have been asked to advise you of your appointment as the AIEE representative to the two-man study committee on International activities. Your IRE counterpart is Dr. Ronald L. McFarlan, 20 Circuit Road, Chestnut Hill 67, Massachusetts.

To accomplish the necessary work on the time scale envisioned by the two Boards, the two-man study committees are being asked to meet and to develop within the next two weeks guidelines on their assigned subject which can serve as a basis for a meeting within three weeks of the four-man committee responsible for development of a draft of a new constitution and new by-laws.

It was agreed by the two Boards that the IRE representative of each of the two-man committees would contact the AIEE representative and arrange a get-together. My letter to Dr. McFarlan is being mailed today, and he will contact you to arrange a mutually convenient get-together. Your joint recommendations should be sent to me at P.O. Box 5474, Dallas 22, Texas, and I, then, shall arrange to have copies prepared and forwarded immediately to the three persons who, with myself, compose the four-man study committee.

The time allotted for this assignment is very short indeed, but your assistance will be very valuable and very much appreciated.

Many thanks.

Singerely,

P.E. Haggerty

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AIR MAIL

October 27, 1961

Mr. Patrick E. Haggerty P.O. Box 5474 Dallas 22, Texas

Dear Mr. Haggerty:

It is with genuine regret that I must tell you that I cannot accept the assignment contained in your October 25th letter to work with Dr. McFarlan as Study Committee on International Activities. Unfortunately, I did not take care of the matter of my nomination by President Chase last week in Detroit through an oversight, and this delay on my part will occasion extra work for you and President Chase, for which I am sorry.

It has now been determined that I will retire from the staff of my company, Commonwealth Associates Inc., through the procedures of its Pension Plan, on November 30th of this year. This gives me a very short time to clean up many items, move my office, library and files to a new location and get under way in whatever my program of activity, necessitated by this change in status, may be. This personal program of mine will not allow me time to carry out the work of the Study Committee on International Activities within the desirable time schedule.

I have talked about this problem with President Chase by telephone this morning, and he is immediately proceeding to find an AIEE representative for this study committee and will let you and Dr. McFarlan know of his solution to the problem.

I appreciated so much your presentation of the results of the IRE Board's consideration of the plan for bringing electrical engineers into one society, to the AIEE Board meeting in Detroit last Friday. It was a joy to hear the crisp, clear diction and straightforward sentence structure. Truly, the English language is a fine medium of communication when correctly used.

These are historic times, and I am proud to be a member of a Board of Directors aggressively working toward the formation of a much

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needed society organization to serve the electrical engineering profession. It is with keen disappointment that I must ask to be excused from this study committee assignment.

Sincerely,

J. H. Foote

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