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Alfred N. Goldsmith was born in New York City on September 15, 1887. He attended grammar and high school in New York, received the B. S. degree from the College of the City of New York in 1907, and the Ph. D. degree from Columbia University in 1911.

For a number of years he was Associate Professor and Professor in charge of electrical engineering at the College of the City of New York. During 1912 he served as a consulting radio expert with the U. S. Department of Justice and in 1914 as a consulting radio engineer for the Atlantic Communication Company. From 1915 to 1917 Dr. Goldsmith did a considerable amount of consulting engineering work for the General Electric Company until he became director of research of the Marconi Wireless Telegraph Company of America. Upon the formation of the Radio Corporation of America he was appointed Director of Research. Since 1923 he has been Chief Broadcast Engineer of the Radio Corporation of America and in 1927 became Chairman of the Board of Consulting Engineers of the National Broadcasting Company.

During the World War he was Technical Director of the U. S. Signal Corps School of Communication and the U. S. Naval Radio School at the College of the City of New York.

To most members of the Institute Dr. Goldsmith is best known for his continuously active service for the Institute since its inception in 1912 He was one of the three or four engineers responsible for the organization of the Institute and has served continuously as Editor of the Institute's publications since 1913. From 1918 to 1928 Dr. Goldsmith was Secretary of the Institute. He has been a member of the Board of Direction of the Institute since 1913, and at one time or another has served in practically all capacities on the Institute's various committees.

Dr. Goldsmith has contributed a number of technical papers to the Proceedings of the Institute. He has been a Fellow in the Institute since 1915.