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June 28, 1938.

Mr. A. M. MacCutcheon, Past President,
American Institute of Electrical Engineers,
Reliance Elec. & Engg. Co.,
1088 Ivanhoe Road, Cleveland, Ohio.

Dear Mr. MacCutcheon:

Referring to our conversation at Washington last week, relating to the question raised in your letter of June 16 regarding the signing of Institute diplomas, I should have remembered when talking with you that the date of actual admission or transfer to the higher grades is engrossed in the space for which the steel plate reads, "Witness our hand and seal at New York, this _____ day of _____, 19__," thus necessitating the signature of the President in office at the time of such election or transfer.

We could, of course, arrange for a correction of the plate, so that the wording of this sentence would be altered to permit of a signature at any future time. We do not have very many post-requests for diplomas, however, and perhaps the expense would not be justified at this time. On the next occasion of your visit to headquarters, I should like to have the opportunity to discuss the matter with you further.

Very truly yours,

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Office Manager.

June 21, 1938

Mr. A. M. MacCutcheon,
Reliance Elec. & Engg. Co.,
1088 Ivanhoe Road,
Cleveland, Ohio.

Dear Mr. MacCutcheon:

We thank you for returning the
diploma for Mr. A. L. McGillivray, which has been received
in good order.

Mr. Norris is attending the Summer
Convention at Washington this week, and your letter will
be brought to his personal attention upon his return next
Monday.

With best regards

Very truly yours,

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Cleveland, Ohio, U.S.A. June 16, 1938.

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SUBJECT:



F. A. Norris, Office Manager,
American Institute of Elec. Engrs.,
33 West 39th Street,
New York City.

Dear Mr. Norris:

Today I am returning the diploma which was forwarded to me some time ago for signature, and which you followed up from Headquarters.

I regret the delay, but encountered difficulty in getting the mailing tube open. I was averse to spoiling the tube in order to open it, since we did not have any suitable container in which to return the diploma, and yet it seemed quite difficult to get the cap off. Actually I finally referred it to the Laboratory who managed to accomplish it in some way that I haven't yet learned.

I have often wondered why it is necessary to have a diploma signed by the President who happens to be in office when the man became a member. It would seem to give a great deal of extra work to the Headquarter staff if this rule is implicitly followed. I should think it would be **just** as effective and quite satisfactory with no one questioning it, to have the President in office at the time of the request sign the diploma.

Yours very truly,

RELIANCE ELECTRIC and ENGINEERING CO.

A. M. MacCutcheon
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Engineering Vice-President.

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