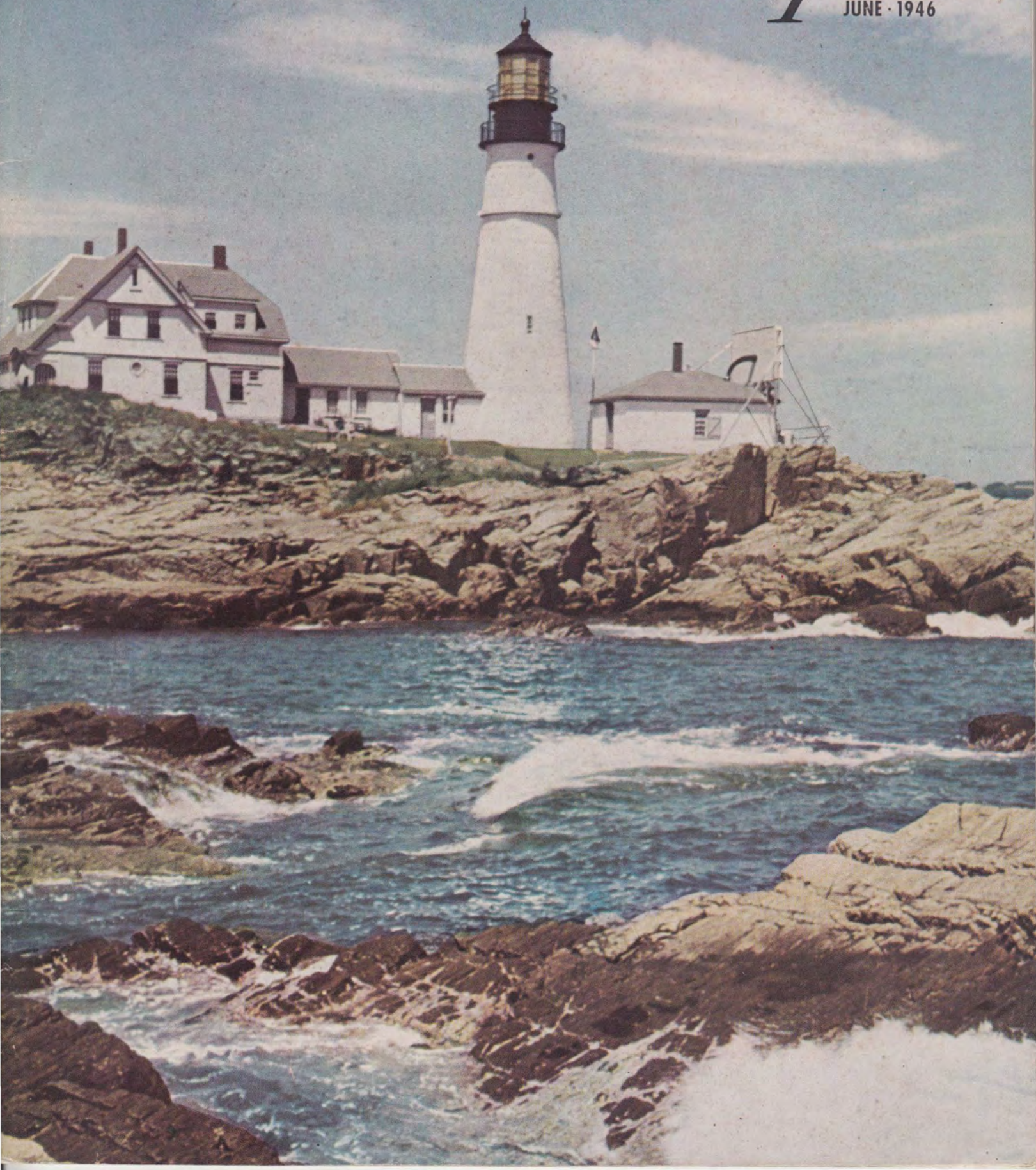


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Our Future

Resting in the hands and minds of children like Janine Vilain is the future of our world. Their eyes are turned west now, toward the United States, praying that their liberators will remember the children whom they freed, and with shipments of food save them from the ravages of disease and starvation that are stalking Europe.

Janine and millions like her are the reason why this year Americans are again asked to cultivate their wartime Victory Gardens and to conserve food. The war with arms is over, but we haven't won until we defeat the spectre of famine.

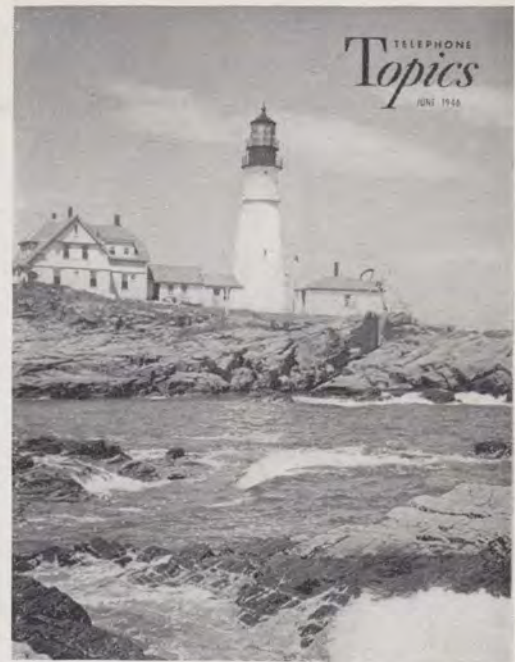
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THE COVER . . . One of the most picturesque and renowned beauties of the Maine coast is the Portland Lighthouse, one of three lights still shining for our nation that were authorized by George Washington when he was leader of the Colonies.

Construction of the lighthouse began in 1787, was completed three years later, and it first beamed out over the Atlantic on January 10, 1791.

Sitting on a rock in the shadow of the lighthouse, listening to the crash of the surf around him, and looking out into the blue-green eternity, Henry Wadsworth Longfellow was inspired to write his *Wreck of the Hesperus*.

There's a tablet here commemorating the wreck on December 24, 1886, of the four-rigged *Annie McGuire*. The Captain's wife was brought ashore in a breeches buoy carrying in her hatbox the ship's papers and money.

On the last day of May Captain Robert Thayer Sterling retired after 33 years of tending the light.

The cover picture was taken by Richard Turner, Haverhill Plant man.

OUR HELD-ORDER SITUATION

As of May 1, 1946

Orders held for	
Instruments	13,193
Central Office Equipment	52,422
Outside Plant Facilities	17,231
Total orders held	82,846
Our net station gain	
for January, 1946	12,095
for February, 1946	24,741
for March, 1946	31,682
for April, 1946	21,666
for May, through the 27th	19,800
1946 net station gain to date	109,984
Net station gain for 1945	71,254

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Julia Clements, tap dancer, received support in her specialty number from seven charming wooden soldiers. Left to right: Jean Glynn, Marie Walsh, Julia Giangrande, Marie Cushing, Miss Clements, Ann Coyne, Claire Marsh and Ruth O'Brien.

77 Maytime Minstrels



Each of these vocalists sang at least one specialty number: Pauline Thompson, Marie Pearl, Patricia Murphy, Gladys Goodwin, Mary Sheridan, Alice Chrisom, Mildred Gillan, Marie Thornton, Louise Dame, Mary Hanson and Phyllis Horne.



Dancers who were rhythmical proof that a pretty girl is like a melody: Jean Glynn, Marie Cushing, Mary Mullen, Ruth Sheffnian, Marie Kelly, Marie Walsh, Ruth Goggin, Jessie MacLeod, Gerry Mahoney, Jacqueline Bevins.



Every show has its directors. Daniel Bowen of Metropolitan Plant was Director; Dixie Summerson of the General Treasury Department supervised the dance routines; and Thomas Mahoney, District Traffic Superintendent, was sponsor of the show.



Dancers who performed specialty numbers were Theresa Arsenault, Marion Robar, Boston Toll; Ann Fiore, Liberty; and Kathleen Donly of the Revenue Accounting Department.

THE "All Sold Out" sign was in the box office at Jordan Hall when the Boston Toll girls presented their annual Minstrel and Musical Revue on the nights of May 6 and 7 to a house packed with their fellow employees and friends.

The serious purpose behind all the fun was to further an activity which has meant much to these girls since early in 1944 when they established a Wounded Servicemen's Fund. Since that time the Boston Toll girls have been providing recreation-hall and ward entertainment monthly at the Waltham Regional and Cushing General Hospitals and, until it closed recently, at the Myles Standish Hospital in Taunton.

Through the Fund they have provided reading matter and other small incidental comforts for the patients in these and other veterans' hospitals. But the single contribution of which they are most proud is a room in the paraplegic ward at the Cushing Hospital in Framingham which they sponsored by contributing eight hundred dollars and long hours of hard work. Because the boys in this ward have little hope of ever leaving the hospital the room was decorated and furnished to look as little as possible like a hospital room.

The Show was another plug for these handicapped veterans, and although the Toll girls sponsored it, through their Supervising Chief Operator, Ellen J. Logan, they publicly thanked the girls and men from all departments of the Company who volunteered to help them.



For a grand finale the entire cast filled the stage and all sang OKLAHOMA and IT'S A GRAND OLD FLAG.

"Meet Me in St. Louis, Louis" said these fair damsels to their dandies: Marie Cushing, Sumner Widell, Mary O'Brien, William O'Meara, Claire LeVangie, Bart Lenehors, Julia Giangrande, William Cummings, Jessie MacLeod, John Cummings, Ann Coyne, Al Slutzky.



Al Slutzky of the Building Department made a hit as soloist for the Gay Ninety Revue when he sang, with feeling, SHE'S ONLY A BIRD IN A GILDED CAGE.



When the curtain went up on the show, the entire cast gathered beneath a huge Bell System flag and greeted the

audience with HI NEIGHBOR. On both nights they were called back for an encore.



The Revenuettes featured Marjorie Mitchell, Helen O'Halloran, Gertrude Cheevoor, Jacqueline Bevins, Regina Hurley, Margaret Hurley, Florence Celata, Mary Mullen and Mary Sigsworth.



Hula hula girls are favorites in all climates. The Toll Show revue was led by Ann Fiore, center. Accompanying her were Margaret

Farren, Mary Finn, Marie Kelly, Katherine Gallagher, Marie Puopolo, Geraldine Mahoney and Mary Callahan.



How many can you name?

WE won't ask you to guess the names of the two girls. They are Myrtle Muska (left) and Eleanor Pytlewicz of the Western Electric Hawthorne plant in Chicago. But do you know the names of the various types of telephone instruments shown with the girls? They are some of the types now being manufactured at Hawthorne. You can check your answers with the list on the opposite page.

25% Discount on New Western Electric Hearing Aid

MORE than 500 Bell System employees or members of their immediate families have taken advantage of the 25% discount on Western Electric's Model 63 Hearing Aid since it was first offered in July, 1945.

The Hearing Aids are available at a discount to Bell System people on the following basis:

(1.) Any employee or pensioner of the System may purchase Hearing Aids of Western Electric manufacture at a discount for his own use or for the use of a member of his family who, if not living in the same household, is dependent on the employee.

(2.) Any member of the immediate family of a Bell System employee or pensioner may buy at the discount provided the person involved lives in the same household or is fully dependent on the employee or pensioner.

Those interested should get in touch with the nearest Western Electric Hearing Aid dealer, whose name is listed in the classified telephone directory under "Hearing Aids." An employee or pensioner should present his Bell System identification card. If a member of the family is making the purchase, he should present the card. In locations where there are no dealers, write to Department 380, Western Electric Company, 195 Broadway, New York 7, N. Y.

Playing Overseas Operator Role on "Telephone Hour" She Misses Own Call from Tokyo



THE real thing is much better than play acting when it comes to calls from GI's abroad, and Virginia Dwyer Fleming, radio actress, can tell you why. Mrs. Fleming recently took the part of an overseas operator in a skit on "The Telephone Hour" simulating a call from a GI in Germany to his mother in the States. When she got home that night, she found she had missed a call from her GI husband in Tokyo.

Efforts of the overseas operating force to follow up the call for her were hampered by the telephone situation in Tokyo. Calls are filed from a couple of booths there by appointment. If a call does not go through as scheduled and the caller leaves the booth, there is nothing to do but wait until he comes back. Tokyo's telephone system still being practically non-existent, people cannot be tracked down by telephone as they can in an American city.

Fortunately, Mrs. Fleming's husband was persistent and tried again at 8 a.m. the following Friday, which was 6 p.m. Thursday in New York. This time Mrs. Fleming was rehearsing another skit but she had left word where she might be reached and the call was transferred to her.

W. A. Hughes Elected President of Indiana Bell

WILLIAM A. HUGHES, executive vice president of the Indiana Bell Telephone Company, has been elected president of that Company, effective June 1.

Mr. Hughes will succeed James F. Carroll, retiring after nearly 40 years in the Bell System.

The new president-elect has spent most of his 27 years of Bell System service with the Southwestern Bell Telephone Company. His first telephone job, following graduation from the College of Emporia, Emporia, Kansas, in 1917, was on outside construction work with the Missouri and Kansas Telephone Company. A short time later he entered the Army. In August, 1919, he went to work for Southwestern Bell.

Rising in the organization, Mr. Hughes became general traffic manager of the Company in 1937. He held that position until May, 1941, when he went to the AT&T Company as assistant vice president, handling personnel matters.

In January, 1944, he went to Indiana Bell as vice president and general manager. Three months later, Mr. Hughes was called to Washington to head the Industrial Personnel Division of the Army Service Forces Headquarters. He represented Under-Secretary of War Patterson on the War Manpower Commission and was a member of the joint Army-Navy Personnel Board, the Council for Personnel Administration, the Army-Navy-Maritime Commission Shipbuilding Wage Stabilization Board, the Secretary of War's Personnel Committee, and the Review Committee of the War Department.

On leaving Government service in September, 1944, he received the Emblem for Exceptional Civilian Service, the highest honor the War Department can bestow upon a civilian employee.

Mr. Hughes was vice president and general manager of Indiana Bell until April 1, 1946, when he was named executive vice president.



William A. Hughes



Miss Radar of the Great Lakes, in real life Mrs. Clarence E. Anderson of Buffalo, with a bottle containing water from all of the Lakes, recently christened the radar antenna aboard the S.S. John T. Hutchinson. This commercial radar equipment, designed by the Bell Telephone Laboratories, is expected to save millions of dollars annually by preventing accidents.

D. F. G. Eliot Elected Vice President of Western



Douglas F. G. Eliot

DOUGLAS F. G. ELIOT, general purchasing agent in charge of purchasing and traffic for the Western Electric Company, has been elected a vice president.

As general purchasing agent for Western during the war years, Mr. Eliot was responsible for the procurement of all raw materials, supplies and equipment required by the Company in supplying more than two billion dollars' worth of electronic and communications equipment for the Armed Forces. He supervises the purchase of material supplied by Western to the Bell System.

Graduating from Yale University in 1909, Mr. Eliot joined Western Electric two years later at New York. His early experience in the Company covered various assignments in this country and abroad, and in 1926 he became division purchasing agent in New York. In 1929 he was appointed personnel director and in 1937 general commercial manager. Two years later he was named general purchasing agent and in 1942 the supervision of the Company's traffic department was added to his duties.

Bell System Radar Used in First Commercial Installation on Great Lakes

SAVINGS of millions of dollars annually in lost-time accidents is in prospect for Great Lakes ship owners and shippers with the announcement that the Western Electric Company has completed installation of the first experimental commercial radar equipment, as designed by the Bell Telephone Laboratories, aboard a Lakes freighter.

The announcement was highlighted by a ceremony aboard the S.S. *John T. Hutchinson*, newest and one of the largest vessels on the Lakes, in which Mrs. Clarence E. Anderson of Buffalo, as Miss Radar of the Great Lakes, christened the radar antenna with a bottle containing water from all of the Lakes.

Radar, the miracle weapon of World War II, in its peacetime role on the Lakes will give ship pilots a unique pair of eyes which will pierce through fog, smoke and night in all directions up to some 40 miles from the ship and will detect objects such as channel buoys, ships, shore lines, beacons, and even icebergs. To accomplish this the radar sends out pulses of radio energy in the neighborhood of 9,000,000,000 cycles for one-half of a millionth of a second duration which travel at the speed of light or 186,000 miles per second until they strike a distant object and are reflected back to the ship's radar antenna. The reflected energy or electrical echo returns to the radar receiver, adjacent to the transmitter, and thence to an

oscilloscope or indicator in the pilot house of the ship. The electrical echo appears on the indicator in the form of a bright spot and by special control devices the exact position of the object with respect to the ship can be readily determined. Pulses are transmitted and received at the rate of 1,000 times per second. The antenna of the Bell System radar will throw an electrical beam 2 degrees wide in the horizontal plane by 15 degrees high in the vertical plane. This particularly wide vertical beam takes care of the roll of the ship while the narrowness of the beam in the horizontal plane assures better definition of the objects. The beam revolves through 360 degrees 14 times every minute.

During the war the Bell System was the nation's largest supplier of radar equipment to the Government, having furnished more than 56,000 radars valued at almost \$900,000,000 and involving over 65 different types ranging from fighter plane units weighing no more than a man to massive 35-ton land-based installations. All of these equipments were designed by Bell Labs.

This initial Great Lakes installation aboard the S.S. *John T. Hutchinson* marks another step forward in safety and in speeding up commercial shipping on the inland Lakes. It is expected that all the 340 large ships plying the Lakes will be radar-equipped.

Answers

(Identification of telephone instruments shown in the photograph on opposite page.)

FIRST ROW (from left): Handset with cutout switch; metal handle lineman's handset; rubber handle lineman's handset.

SECOND ROW: Combined set with dial; single key combined set; train dispatcher's telephone; multi-key combined set; combined set without dial.

THIRD ROW: Magneto telephone; wall telephone; hang-up type telephone; two-piece telephone operator's set; one-piece telephone operator's set; subscriber's set ringer box.

BACK ROW: Magneto telephone with inside batteries; explosion-proof telephone; mine-type telephone; outdoor telephone; coin-collector telephone.

The Farmer's Telephone



At harvest time when any delay might ruin a crop a farmer can save valuable time by calling as this man is for a replacement for a broken part.



This picture, like all the others on these pages, is a scene from the movie now being distributed by our Motion Picture Department. Grandmother, played by Minnie Dupree, receives a call on her birthday from her son in England.

OUR Company's Motion Picture Department has been showing for the past two months a picture illustrating the Bell System's postwar program for the expansion and improvement of service in rural areas. It is now available for showings throughout our area.

The film, which was produced by the motion picture division of A. T. & T., presents the work being done by the Bell System to expand and modernize rural telephone service, a program which will cost \$100,000,000 and provide service for an additional 1,000,000 rural customers.

The picture opens with Grandma receiving a birthday call from her son, "Uncle Frank." Grandma, who was 18 years old before she saw her first telephone, can scarcely believe her ears when Frank nonchalantly informs her that he is in England and at that moment looking out the window at Buckingham Palace.

"Think of it!" she exclaims delightedly to other members of the rural household, "me on a farm talking to my son thousands of miles away in London."

A representative of the telephone company discusses telephone needs and usage with a fruit grower.

John, played by Rusty Lane, a telephone man spending part of his vacation with his mother and sister's family on the old farm, tells about some of the things the Bell System is doing to help more farmers get telephone service.



Farmers without telephone service are interested in learning the Company's attitude and the many advantages of service. Here John is ex-

plaining to three prospects for farm service the construction allowances and charges.



In the office of the County Agent of the United States Department of Agriculture a telephone company employee explains plans for improvements to be made on a service line.

In time of emergency, when sickness or accidents occur, a farm telephone can save a long and hazardous trip for help.

Another son, John, a telephone man who is vacationing at the old farm home- stead, explains to her that many such calls are made daily and are an example of the advantages offered by modern tele- phone service. He goes on to answer questions by Grandma and other mem- bers of the family regarding the tele- phone company's plans for improved rural telephone service. As he talks, the scene shifts to other rural locations demonstrating the improved facilities he describes, and depicting instances where the telephone proves invaluable to the rural customer.

Some of the points brought out by John while he is describing the Bell Sys- tem's rural program include:

The experiments being conducted to enable the use of a single wire for carry- ing both electric power and telephone conversations.

The possible use of radiotelephone to reach isolated rural areas.

The steps being taken to reduce the ringing on party lines.

The aid being given farmers in build- ing and maintaining their own telephone lines.

The new methods and materials being introduced to permit the joint use of long span rural power line poles for both telephone and power wires.

The film closes with the young grand- son, obviously impressed by his uncle's account of the marvels of modern teleph- ony, announcing gravely: "You know, Grandma, I think the telephone is here to stay."

In the movie, the part of Grandma is played by Minnie Dupree, well-known stage and screen actress for more than half a century, while the part of John is taken by Rusty Lane, a prominent actor both on Broadway and in the movies.



On the farm as in the city the telephone has a way of bringing young folks together and giving them a chance to chat about school work and parties. It has the same

social value for mother who can call and check with her neighbor on a favorite recipe or on plans for the annual church bazaar.



O. L. Clerc, Crew Foreman of the Southwestern Bell Telephone Co. in St. Louis, demonstrates how he is able to receive instructions over his mobile telephone while on the job.

First Mobile Radiotelephone License Granted To Bell System

OPERATORS of motor vehicles in St. Louis are the first to obtain two-way telephone service between their cars and trucks and any telephone connected with Bell System lines.

The first license to operate radiotelephone service for vehicles has been granted to the Southwestern Bell Telephone Company by the Federal Communications Commission. The service will be introduced in St. Louis at once and will be provided initially on an experimental basis but under regular commercial conditions.

Participants in the trial are expected to include such concerns as parcel delivery and express companies, newspaper publishers, power companies, contractors, bus, trucking and moving van concerns as well as oil burner, refrigeration and other servicing organizations which operate vehicles within the area and to whom keeping in touch with their drivers is important.

Three classes of service will be offered: (1) a general two-way telephone service between any vehicle and any regular telephone or other mobile unit; (2) a two-way dispatch service between a customer's office and his own mobile units only; and (3) a one-way signaling service to mobile units to notify the driver that he should comply with pre-arranged instructions.

The rates for a three-minute general service message within the area served by the St. Louis radiotelephone station range from 30 to 40 cents depending on the location of the land telephone. The charge for a one minute two-way dis-

patch call is 15 cents. The rates for most calls will not vary with the location of the vehicle. If the calling or called land telephone is outside the St. Louis mobile service area, toll rates apply.

The radio equipment on the vehicle may be provided either by the customer or the telephone company. If furnished by the company, the monthly service charge is \$15 and an installation charge of \$25 applies.

The general mobile radiotelephone service will operate like this.

Calls to and from vehicles will be handled by mobile service operators. The conversations will travel part way by telephone wire and part way by radio. For example, a man at his desk in St. Louis who wants to talk to the occupant of a certain car or truck will lift his telephone receiver and dial or ask for long distance. He will then ask for the mobile service operator, to whom he will give the telephone number of the vehicle. Numbers such as WJ 2-3873, which will not conflict with any existing central office code, will be used.

The operator will send over the channel a signal which selects the particular mobile station desired and causes a bell to ring and a light to go on in the car or truck. When the driver sees or hears his signal he will answer his telephone. His voice will travel by radio to the nearest receiving station and thence by telephone wire back to the caller.

The person in the vehicle will be able to make a call merely by lifting his telephone and pressing a "talk" button to signal the operator.



View of the handy slide-out type telephone set used in connection with mobile radiotelephone equipment. The set fits under the dashboard of the motor vehicle, within easy reach of front seat occupants.

The radiotelephone central office equipment employed in St. Louis includes a transmitting station and five receiving stations. The antenna of the 250-watt transmitter is located on a 50-foot mast atop the Southwestern Bell headquarters building at 1010 Pine Street. The receiving stations are located in various sections of the city so that vehicles with their relatively low-powered radio sets will be within range at all times. The receiver nearest a calling mobile unit will pick up the voice signals and send them on their way by telephone wire. Radio channels within the frequency range of 152-162 megacycles have been assigned for the service.

St. Louis is the first of a large number of cities in which the Bell System plans to inaugurate mobile radiotelephone service this year. Such a large undertaking requires extensive planning and development in which the Bell Telephone Laboratories is very active. In addition, Laboratories' engineers and facilities are playing a large part in putting the early systems into operation.

Authorization to establish experimental radiotelephone stations in other cities has been granted and work is progressing on the installation of required equipment at those points. Application for a license in each locality must await completion of the necessary facilities.

Metropolitan Commercial Entertains College Placement Directors At Luncheon

HAROLD A. FASICK, Metropolitan Division Manager, arranged a luncheon meeting recently with the Placement Directors of eight women's colleges in the Metropolitan Division, to discuss with them opportunities for their graduates in the Telephone Company.

The meeting furnished an excellent opportunity to discuss with the directors the advantages of employment with the Company and the possibilities for future advancement.

Following the meeting the guests visited the Boylston Street Business Office where they were shown the various aspects of business office assignments.

Guests attending the meeting included: Catherine Roff, Radcliffe College; Viola Saltmarsh, Tufts College; Gertrude Street, Boston University; Anne Sughrue, Regis College; Margaret Rogers, Emmanuel College; Alice Thorpe, Wheaton College; Edith G. Stedman, Radcliffe College; Elizabeth Rapp, Wellesley College; Anna M. Han-

son, Simmons College; Donna L. True, Regis College; Norman Abbott, Boston University.

At a later date, two representatives from each of these colleges were invited to a meeting for the same purpose. The representatives included students active in campus affairs, student government groups, and members of the college news staffs.

After an introductory talk by Elizabeth M. Scullane on the general aspects of the service representative assignment, the girls visited the Boylston Street Office with Helen M. Sampson and were taken in groups through the office to observe and talk with our business office personnel on the job.

Later, they attended a tea where they met and talked with several of our people.

They expressed a very real interest in our business office activities, and were most appreciative to Mr. Fasick for making this meeting possible.



Anne Lindmark

700 Women Employees Attend Fashion Show

This spring 700 of our women employees in and around Boston attended the lectures and fashion show of the semi-annual Jordan Marsh "Women Who Work" clinic, twice the number who attended the lectures last fall.

Attended by 3000 women, the fashion show entitled "Suddenly It's Spring" which wound up the series of four lectures on "Face and Figure Fascination," "Let Your Clothes Work for You," "Decorating on a Shoestring" and "Fashions in Foods," was held on March 28 at Symphony Hall, Boston, and one girl from each of the organizations represented in the clinic modeled the new spring clothes with the professional models. Anne Lindmark of Metropolitan Disbursements Accounting is shown above in a navy blue wool dress, one of the two outfits she wore in the show.

Tickets for the clinic allotted to our Company were distributed as far as possible to members of all departments within easy distance of the 6:30 P.M. lectures at the Jordan Marsh Fashion Center by Ellen G. Horrigan of General Traffic who is the "Women Who Work" Advisory Council member for our Company.



Hosts and guests who attended a luncheon held recently at the Ritz Carlton Hotel in Boston are shown around the table. Seated are Catherine Roff of Radcliffe College, Viola Saltmarsh, Tufts College, Gertrude Street of Boston University, Anne Sughrue of Regis College, Harold A. Fasick, Metropolitan Division Manager; Margaret Rogers of Emmanuel College, Helen Sampson, Test Supervisor, Metropolitan Division; Alice Thorpe of

Wheaton College, F. Bradford Faxon, Commercial Personnel Supervisor; Edith G. Stedman of Radcliffe College. Standing at the head of the table are Leonard E. Morrissey, Division Employment Manager; Elizabeth Rapp of Wellesley College, Anna M. Hanson of Simmons College, Elizabeth Scullane, Induction Placement Supervisor; Donna L. True of Regis College, and Norman Abbott of Boston University.

TELEPHONE HOUR . . .

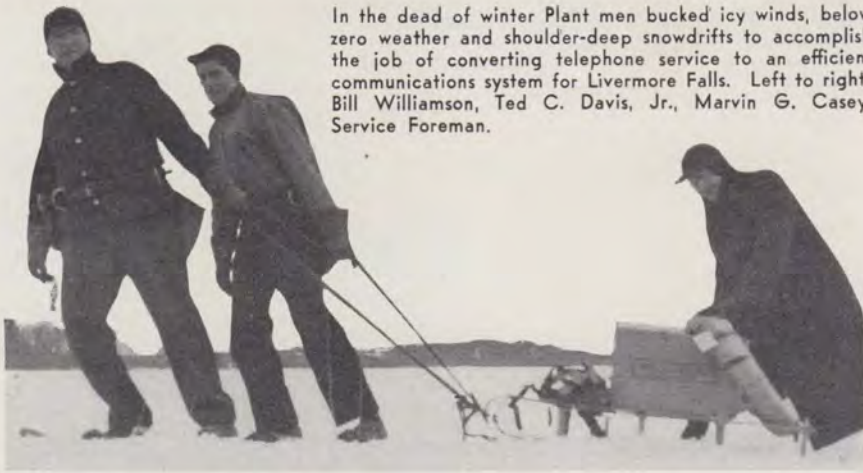
The following guest artists have been announced to appear on coming programs of the Telephone Hour:

BENNY GOODMAN—June 3

JAMES MELTON—June 10

FRITZ KREISLER—June 17

BLANCHE THEBOM—June 24



In the dead of winter Plant men bucked icy winds, below zero weather and shoulder-deep snowdrifts to accomplish the job of converting telephone service to an efficient communications system for Livermore Falls. Left to right: Bill Williamson, Ted C. Davis, Jr., Marvin G. Casey, Service Foreman.

Livermore Falls,

MAINE

NEW ENGLAND'S first postwar dial conversion took place on April 23 in the energetic little town of Livermore Falls on the banks of the Androscoggin River in Androscoggin County, Maine, when 514 lines serving 1173 telephones were cut into service. Associated with the conversion, dial repeater equipment was installed, and 51 miles of open wire between Lewiston and Farmington were replaced by cable.

Although the original plans were laid in 1939 and interrupted because of material shortages, the District Engineer started his actual survey of requirements in September of 1945. The outside construction work of setting poles and wiring was started on December 17, 1945, and the job of outside plant work was completed February 28, 1946.

The preparation of a program for changing customers' telephones from magneto type service to dial was begun in September, 1945. The actual work was under way by January 14, 1946, and completed on March 29, 1946, with the unique record of only one unchanged instrument due to the fact that the customer was spending the winter in Florida. A plant crew of 16 men was needed to complete the instrument changing program.

Livermore Falls now has a new central office building of red brick at 33 Union Street which was started in September of 1945 and completed in November. This exchange serves the towns of Jay and East Livermore and includes a total population of something over 7000 people.

In December of 1945, 967 customers were to have their service changed but

when the work was completed 1126 customers were provided with service.

The date of the cutover was arranged to coincide with the Directory delivery date so that no cut-over edition was necessary.

Wire Chief Leo J. King was in charge of operations. Marguerite Hartnett, Evelyn Moynihan of Portland and Gertrude Bergeron of Lewiston handled the program of instructing dialing to the residents of the town.

The first call over the new system was made by First Selectman Merle Davenport who called R. H. Sturtevant, Treasurer of the Livermore Falls Trust Company.

Indicative of the enthusiastic reception given this first postwar conversion job was the heading "Conversion Day" on the April 23rd menu of the Riverside Hotel.

This center of a thriving paper industry in Maine became a "first" in postwar production when the exchange was converted from magneto to dial this spring. During 1946 the Company will convert 10 offices as part of the \$45,000,000 construction program, which in turn is part of the \$200,000,000 to be spent in the next 5 years in order to make the best possible service available to all our customers.

Reginald H. Sturtevant, Treasurer of the Livermore Falls Trust Co., receives the first call.



Part of the construction crew who worked at Livermore Falls are, left to right: Bill Robson, Supervising Constructing Fore-

man; Charles E. Bailey, Roger W. McDonald, Joseph E. Hartnett, William L. Parkin and Francis P. Buchanan.



Plant men at Livermore Falls were, left to right: R. A. Seymour, B. B. Tribou, C. A. Abbott, E. L. Flynn, R. A. Babb, T. C. Davis, Jr., W. Maxfield, F. E. Carey, W. H. Williamson, M. G. Casey, E. Watson, L. Turner, D. K. Maddocks, G. Lawrence.



Merle Davenport, First Selectman, places the first call. Watching are, left to right: Thomas C. Cochran, Maine Manager; John J. Carver, Portland District Man-

ager; Leo J. King, Wire Chief; Edgar A. Farnum, Division Commercial Supervisor; William P. Mennealy, Acting Manager, Rumford.



Working on the frame in the new Livermore Falls Office are, from top to bottom of picture: Charles Daniels, Nat Chase, Equipment Foreman; Donald Keating and Ernest Dobson.



Ray Heyliger, shown at the frame, tests the wiring just before the cutover is made official.



Employees vitally concerned with the conversion of the Livermore Falls Office were, left to right: Marvin G. Casey, Service Foreman; Leo J. King, Wire Chief; Ruth E. Gile, Jean Burbank, Harold S. Staples, William P. Mennealy, Vernon L. Carter, William R. Macomber.



Crews worked in tough Maine weather to complete the conversion job by spring. In 26° below zero weather a town plow opens up the road for telephone crews.



Part of the Plant crew necessary for the Livermore job were, left to right: H. Brown, L. Turner, W. Masterson, W. Robson, C. E. Bailey, R. W. McDonald, J. E. Hartnett, W. L. Parkin, F. P. Buchanan, C. L. Abbott, E. L. Flynn, R. A. Seymour, B. B. Tribou, W. R. Macomber,

Vernon L. Carter, T. C. Davis, Jr., F. E. Carey, W. Maxfield, W. H. Williamson, H. S. Staples, R. A. Babb, L. J. King, M. G. Casey, E. Watson, D. K. Maddocks, G. Lawrence.

SPRINGFIELD COUNCIL ATTENDS ANNUAL BANQUET

Gathered for a social chat before dinner are, left to right, front: Nelson C. Pardee, Ralph E. Jones, Rufus E. Davis. Back row: Mae L. Purves, Mrs. Davis, Mrs. McDonald, Casimir A. Marcou, Mrs. Pardee, Fred Rockhold, retired Div. Plant Supt.; John A. McDonald, Rose K. Kane, Mary J. Maguire, Mrs. Jones.



Caught by the cameraman during the rolls and cottage cheese course were, left to right: Loretta L. Kennedy, Theresa A. Tierney, Life

Member; J. P. Lacey, Harold W. Atkinson, Ralph Jones, Mrs. Hiland, Mrs. Jones, Carl A. Hiland.



Head table guests included, first picture, left to right: Nelson C. Pardee, Vice-Chairman of the Springfield Council; Mrs. Pardee, Mrs. Hutchinson, H. Leonard Hutchinson, Secretary-Treasurer of the Springfield Council. Second picture: Harold E.



Marr, Vice-President of the Alexander K. McLellan Chapter; Mary J. Maguire, Secretary-Treasurer, Alexander K. McLellan Chapter; Mrs. Davis and Rufus Davis, Secretary-Treasurer of the Denver Chapter.

THE annual banquet of the Springfield Council of the William J. Denver Chapter of Telephone Pioneers of America was held May 15 at the Hotel Kimball in Springfield with over 300 guests attending.

As Chairman of the Springfield Council, Mae L. Purves introduced the invited guests who included Mary J. Maguire, Secretary-Treasurer, Alexander K. McLellan Chapter; John A. McDonald, President of the Thomas Sherwin Chapter; Charles E. Ames, Secretary-Treasurer, Thomas Sherwin Chapter, and Rose K. Kane, Vice President of the Telephone Pioneers of America.

Five retired employees were presented their Life Membership certificates by President Casimir Marcou. Called to the head table for the presentation were Ida M. Cross, Winifred E. Daly, Stephen J. Dorsey and Wayne D. Wood. Edward T. Sheridan was unable to be present.

Arranging the program were Ralph E. Jones, Chairman, Bryant M. Patton and Richard J. Dee. Entertainment was in charge of Ruth Halloway, Chairman; Isabelle Leslie and Helen Stack. The Membership Committee includes Inez E. Kavanaugh, Chairman; John E. Brooks and Mr. Patton. In charge of refreshments were Christina C. Laduke, Chairman; Alice Berard, Mary G. McDonald, Helen Powers, Clara McCaffrey, Ida Legacy and Ruth Peterson. The Telephone Committee included Eugene M. Flagg, Chairman; Charles H. Knox, James R. Steele, Albert J. Wright, William C. Pagenkoph, Ruth Edwards, Margaret E. Grady, Etta L. Jones, Arthur L. A. Butler, Albert E. Goodhind, Ruth Crowley, Hugh A. Lamb and A. H. Beers. Clark M. Wilson was the Publicity Chairman and the auditing was handled by Clayton S. Stebbins, Chairman; Etta L. Jones and Exie E. Geoffrion.



Dinner companions at the banquet were, left to right: Mary Connors (back to camera), Virginia Padden, Mae G. MacDonald, Alice B. Berard, Neolla Sirois, Dorothy Springer, Catherine Mulcare, Ella Carlin, Iola Archambault, Margaret E. Grady, Rose A. Carlin.



The main event of the evening was the presentation of Life Membership certificates to four retired members of the Springfield Council. Shown after the presentation by Casimir A. Marcou, President, are, left to right: Winifred E. Daly, Mae L. Purves, Stephen J. Dorsey, Mr. Marcou, Wayne D. Wood, Rose K. Kane and Ida M. Cross.

EDMUND G. WILSON, District Traffic Superintendent, East District, Metropolitan Division, is one of a possible 2,000 collectors to have a complete set of U. S. silver commemorative coins. This set begins with a coin for the World's Columbian Exposition in 1892 and extends through the Arkansas Centennial coin in 1939. Of the Daniel Boone commemorative coin in this set, there were only 2,000 coins minted in the Denver and San Francisco mints, thus making it possible for no more than 2,000 collectors to possess a complete set, and Mr. Wilson is very fortunate to be one.

A telephone man for 25 years, he has been a collector for 15 years, having been interested in coins since a boy. His albums include collections of pennies, dimes, nickels, quarters and several odd pieces of folding money. One of the quarters, known as the Isabella quarter, 1893, is the only U.S. coin on which a foreign ruler appears.

The most fascinating side to coin collecting is the host of stories behind the coins. Mr. Wilson, like a true collector, knows the background of nearly all of his coins.



Above are two of the interesting old coins in his collection. On the left is a coin designed by Benjamin Franklin and minted in 1652, the 13 links representing the 13 original states. On the right is a coin minted in Massachusetts in 1787.



Edmund G. Wilson checks in his Standard Catalogue to find the number minted and the monetary value of a new coin he has just added to his collection.

How about a hobby?

Here are just a few of the fascinating pieces in Helen E. McClellan's collection of over 150 salt and pepper shakers. The base of the little telephone in the center of the picture holds mustard while salt and pepper pour from the receiver and the mouth-piece.



Miss McClellan (right) shows the latest addition to her hobby collection to Florence O. Eno, Supervisor in the Braintree Traffic Office. This pair of shakers was brought to Miss McClellan the day before from Digby, Nova Scotia.

As variety is the spice of life, Helen E. McClellan, Braintree Traffic Clerk, believes in serving spices in a variety of ways. Her hobby is collecting salt and pepper shakers; at present she has 150 pairs from all parts of the world and from nearly every state in the Union.

Miss McClellan, who has been with the Company for 28 years, started collecting shakers about five years ago when a friend who had such a collection urged her to see how many she could get together. In no time her enthusiasm for this interesting hobby had grown by leaps and bounds and soon her collection surpassed that of her friend.

Among Miss McClellan's shakers are a pair made of mother of pearl which are over 100 years old, a set of hand-carved shakers which came from the Fiji Islands and a pair made of blown glass in the shape of a tall silk hat for the salt and a cane for the pepper. Other pairs of her shakers came from Paris, Ireland, Canada and Nova Scotia.

Miss McClellan does not just keep her collection for display but uses the various shaped shakers whenever she has guests for dinner. Each has an individual pair of salt and pepper shakers to fit his or her tastes or personality.

Her hobby has grown so large that it is now pushing dishes out of the china closets in her home. Her friends and business associates help to increase her collection by bringing her odd shakers they find, and Miss McClellan herself can never pass a gift shop without going in "to see what they have."

SERVICE

Anniversaries

OTHER ANNIVERSARIES

40 YEARS' SERVICE

Rosamond F. J. Slade, Cent. Rev. Acctg.
 George M. Hynes, Metropolitan Treasury
 Mary T. Flavin, Metropolitan Traffic
 Roger Conant, General Plant
 Stanley H. Cate, Equipment Installation
 Adams M. Foulkes, Central Plant
 John F. Donovan, Metropolitan Plant
 George A. Bussey, Metropolitan Plant
 Cornelius T. Lynch, Metropolitan Plant
 George M. Loux, Metropolitan Plant
 James A. Coffey, Metropolitan Plant

35 YEARS' SERVICE

Louise A. Cram, General Accounting
 Benno Pineles, Cent. Rev. Accounting
 Prescott E. French, General Engineering
 Chester W. Nichols, Gen. Commercial
 Wesley E. Bevins, Central Traffic
 Alice L. Maley, Central Traffic
 Almira S. Lakin, Metropolitan Traffic
 John E. Toomey, Metropolitan Traffic
 Josephine I. Heaton, Southern Traffic
 William T. Wyman, General Plant
 Frank B. Pooler, Central Plant
 Dennis Regan, Central Plant
 Melville C. Odiorne, Central Plant
 Ralph G. MacLeod, Eastern Plant
 Samuel C. Stitham, Eastern Plant
 Patrick Finn, Metropolitan Plant
 John A. Smith, Metropolitan Plant
 Samuel A. Rossi, Metropolitan Plant
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 Thomas A. Cullen, Metropolitan Plant

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45th
 Alfred R. Clarke
 Southern Plant



40th
 Frank Vogel
 Western Plant



40th
 Thomas A. Seaward
 Central Plant



40th
 Charles K. Philbrick
 Eastern Plant



40th
 Robert A. Doray
 Western Plant



35th
 Ernest R. Noke
 Southern Plant



35th
 Ludovico Tomasso
 Southern Plant



35th
 William P. Saunders
 Cent. Disb. Acctg.



35th
 Harry L. Dunbar
 Metropolitan Plant



35th
 Herbert W. Thresher
 Western Plant



35th
 Walter P. Smith
 Southern Plant



35th
 Walter H. Fairbanks
 Western Plant



35th
 Edward A. Gagnon
 Eastern Plant



30th
 Edgar R. Wright
 Southern Plant



30th
 Gerald H. Zwicker
 Central Plant



30th
 Eleon M. Shuman
 Eastern Plant



30th
 Frank J. McGuinness
 Western Plant



30th
 Francis S. Lovett, Jr.
 Central Plant



30th
 Lawrence J. Shaw
 Eastern Plant



30th
 Frank E. N. Brown
 Southern Plant

RECENT

Changes



William P. Mennealy
from Special Rep.
at Portland
to Acting Manager
at Rumford, Me.



William E. MacIsaac
from Dist. Central
Office Supvr. to
Dist. Plant Supt.,
West Dist., Met. Div.



Paul J. Eaton
from General Traffic
Personnel Asst. at
Boston to Dist. Traf-
fic Supt., South
Dist., Met. Division



Edwin H. Blomquist
from Coin Collector
at Boston to
Public Telephone
Supvr., Portland, Me.



Warren V. Allen
from Military Leave
to Traffic Manager,
Rhode Island Dist.



Dana Sidelinger
from Military Leave
to Engineering
Assistant, Portland, Me.



Barbara J. Bower
from Service Rep.
at Holyoke to
Instructor at
Springfield



Daniel J. O'Brien, Jr.
from Special Rep. at
Lowell to Manager
at Newburyport



Harry L. Mailman
from Special Rep. at
Worcester to Manager,
Brattleboro, Bellows
Falls, Bennington, Vt.



Eugene R. McLaughlin
from Manager at
Quincy to
Commercial Personnel
Asst., General Office



Ruth Edwards
from Div. Instructor
to Chief Operator
at Springfield



Lily B. Morse
from Supervisor
to Chief Operator
at Madison, Me.



Thomas P. Nihan
from Plant Supt. of
Buildings to General
Plant Supt. of
Buildings, Motor
Vehicles, Supplies



Edmund G. Wilson,
Dist. Traffic Supt.,
from South. District
to East. District,
Metropolitan Division



Alice S. Anderson
from Service Rep.
to Business Office
Supervisor at
Manchester, N. H.



Paul F. McKinnie
from Manager, Laconia-
Franklin-Plymouth,
N. H., to Central Div.
Methods Supervisor
at Boston



Benjamin E. Malatesta
from Dist. Plant Supt.,
West. Dist., Met. Div.,
to Supt. of Engineering
and Construction,
Metropolitan Division



Ray A. Ely
from Military Leave
to Manager
at Quincy



Pauline P. Galipeau
from Force Assistant,
Division Office,
Springfield, to
Chief Operator at
Manchester, Vt.



Walter L. Dignam
from Traffic Manager,
Boston Toll, to
General Traffic
Personnel Assistant
at Boston



Arnold E. Nichols,
Traffic Manager,
from Framingham area
to Boston Toll

Organization Changes Affect Four A.T.&T. Vice Presidents



Charles P. Cooper



Leroy A. Wilson



Keith S. McHugh



Arthur W. Page

ORGANIZATION changes affecting the responsibilities of four vice presidents of the American Telephone and Telegraph Company were announced May 15. Effective on that date, Vice President Charles P. Cooper was appointed executive vice president and Vice President Leroy A. Wilson became vice president in charge of Finance. The resignation of Vice President Arthur W. Page as of January 1, 1947, and the appointment of Vice President Keith S. McHugh as his successor in charge of the Information Department, effective June 1, also were announced.

Mr. Cooper will assist the President in the general over-all operation of the business and in coordinating the work of the Headquarters Staff. He is in charge in the absence of the President.

Mr. Wilson will continue in charge of Business Research and Bell System Revenue Requirements Studies. Comptroller and Treasurer report to him.

Mr. Page, who will open an office in New York as a consultant when his resignation takes effect, has asked that his successor take active charge of the Information Department on June 1 in order to free him to complete several individual tasks which he has under way. The A.T.&T. has retained him as a consultant beginning January 1, 1947. He remains a Director.

The present functions and organization of Vice President McHugh's department—Administration-M—will be taken over on June 1 by other departments and the Western Electric Company.

Vice President Cooper entered the Bell System in 1908 as a junior engineer with the New York Telephone Company. Within three months he was promoted to district plant engineer and, after completing a special engineering assignment, he became division plant engineer. He was appointed division plant superintendent at Albany in 1916. In April, 1918, he transferred to the Chesapeake and Potomac Company to assist in Washington during World War I, and became general plant superintendent.

He returned to Ohio in 1920 as general manager of the Cleveland Telephone Company. When that company became the Ohio Bell Telephone Company in 1921, Mr. Cooper was retained

as general manager. Upon consolidation of the Ohio Bell and Ohio State Telephone Companies later that year, he became vice president and general manager. He was elected president of Ohio Bell in 1923 at the age of 39, and in 1926 became vice president of A.T.&T.

Vice President Wilson started his Bell System career as a traffic student with the Indiana Bell Company, in 1922, after graduation from Rose Polytechnic Institute in Terre Haute.

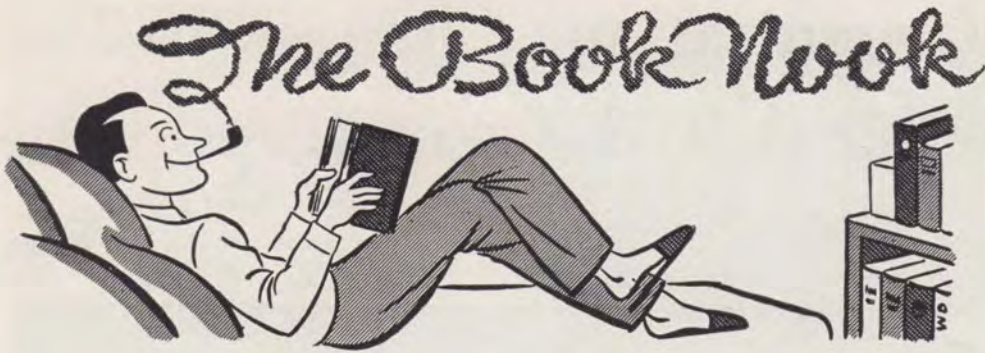
He held the positions of district traffic chief and district traffic superintendent and in 1929 was transferred to New York as an engineer with A.T.&T. There he served as directory engineer, rate engineer and commercial engineer, becoming an assistant vice president September 11, 1944.

Mr. Page joined the Bell System as a vice president of the A.T.&T. Company on January 1, 1927, following a full career in the publishing business. He entered that field in 1905, after his graduation from Harvard University, with the firm of Doubleday, Page and Company. In 1913 he became vice president of the company and editor of *World's Work*. He remained in that position until joining A.T.&T. in 1927, with the exception of a period during World War I, when he did Army intelligence work in France. He is a Director of the A.T.&T. Company and of the Southern Bell Telephone and Telegraph Co.

Vice President McHugh received his B.S. degree from the University of Wisconsin in 1917 and the same year entered the Army. He served overseas as an ordnance officer and received his discharge as a captain March 1, 1919. Less than three weeks later he started work in New York with the A.T.&T. Company as a clerk.

In July, 1919, Mr. McHugh became an engineer and in 1921 transferred to the Chesapeake and Potomac Company as general commercial engineer in Washington. He went to the New York Company in 1925 as general commercial manager at Albany, and in 1929 was elected a vice president of that company. He returned to A.T.&T. that same year as commercial engineer.

Mr. McHugh was promoted to assistant vice president in 1934, and in 1938 was elected vice president.



The Snake Pit

by Mary Jane Ward

ONE of the most talked about novels in many months is this story of life at Juniper Hill which caused one national commentator to visit a mental institution in New York and devote one of his evening programs to a comparison between it and Juniper Hill, and which precipitated a survey of mental institutions in *Life Magazine* which is now generating heat in certain state capitals.

In the days when medicine was in rompers and psychiatry unknown, people treated mental cases as best they could. They knew that a person who fell into a snake pit usually was shocked out of his senses. They figured it would work the other way. So one of the first "treatments" society developed for its insane was to hurl them into snake pits. Often it worked. The shock restored mental balance, and, if the patient survived the poison of the snake bites, he might live a normal life. From this bit of history Miss Ward got the name for her book.

The story of Juniper Hill is the story of Virginia Cunningham, who finds herself sitting on a bench on a warm sunny morning wearing a "hoover apron." Virginia's mind laboriously stumbles from one detached thought to another. She doesn't know where she is; she can't remember her address.

She was a writer and so decides she is in a women's jail or reformatory looking for material for a new novel. Successively she thinks she is taking part in some charitable work, attending a Communist meeting. After torturous days of searching for herself she slowly realizes she is in an insane asylum—not to gather material for a book, but as a patient.

This is Virginia's story told as it hap-

pened to and was painfully absorbed by a sick mind. All the reader knows is what Virginia sees and thinks, the stumbling workings of her brain.

There's no physical cruelty in the book, but the general unhappy attitude of the inmates creeps out and coldly wraps around the reader. In clear moments, which as they improve, grow more frequent, these inmates realize they are in an insane asylum. Doctors and nurses emphasize it is a hospital for mental breakdowns. But the patients can remember when they were outside and how they felt about the "crazy ones." Virginia thought, "I could face the prospect of blindness, of cancer, but this, no. Never this."

There's something almost as bad as physical cruelty and probably inevitable in a place like Juniper Hill. There's such a complete lack of human dignity, a subjection to personal embarrassment and mortification that the reader cringes from it with Virginia.

The time sequence isn't clear. Neither are all the things that happen to Virginia. There's a confused muddle of shock treatments—of mornings without breakfast, smelly salve on her temples, hands and feet tied down, a gag, a small red light on the wall, and then blackness. There's the strangling tightness of the straight-jacket, the tub treatment—cold water and cold wet sheets, the always thwarted struggle to escape.

There are long hard months before Virginia's husband comes to take her home. But somehow, the reader doesn't feel that she's quite ready to be sent home. In fact, he's not sure that he should be out himself.

A.M.M.



Reginald W. Hanson
from General PBX
Supvr. at Boston to
Division Traffic Supvr.
at Springfield

Recent Changes



George V. Bubear
from Head Bookkeeper
to Staff Accountant,
Financial Studies,
General Accounting



Walter F. Gannon,
District Manager,
from Brockton to
Southwest District,
Metropolitan Division



Warren A. Maynard
from Panel and Cross-
bar Engineer to Dial
Engineer, Met. Division



Alice B. Berard
from Chief Instructor,
Springfield Dial,
to Division Instructor
at Springfield



Rose A. Carlin
from Chief Operator,
Springfield Dial,
to Staff Assistant
at Springfield



Otto H. Schmidt
from Dist. Traffic
Supt., East. Dist., to
Service Supt. of
Suburban Offices,
Metropolitan Division

Every day is *SUN-DAY* in the Summer



HOLIDAY FOR HOSIERY

LADIES who have been lining up for nylons are now crowding their favorite cosmetic counters to buy summer stockings—by the bottle, tube or jar instead of by size, denier and length.

Whether you're brushing up on the use of a leg make-up this summer or just learning the art, here are a few pointers that may help.

1. Before you begin, spread a newspaper to stand on to avoid having to clean up a splashed bathroom.

2. Make sure your legs are free from hair. (Much irritation presumably caused by leg make-up has been traced to the hair removing method used before the color was applied. Shaving is considered the method least likely to cause irritation.)

3. Shake the bottle well and pour a small amount into your cupped hand. Press your two hands together.

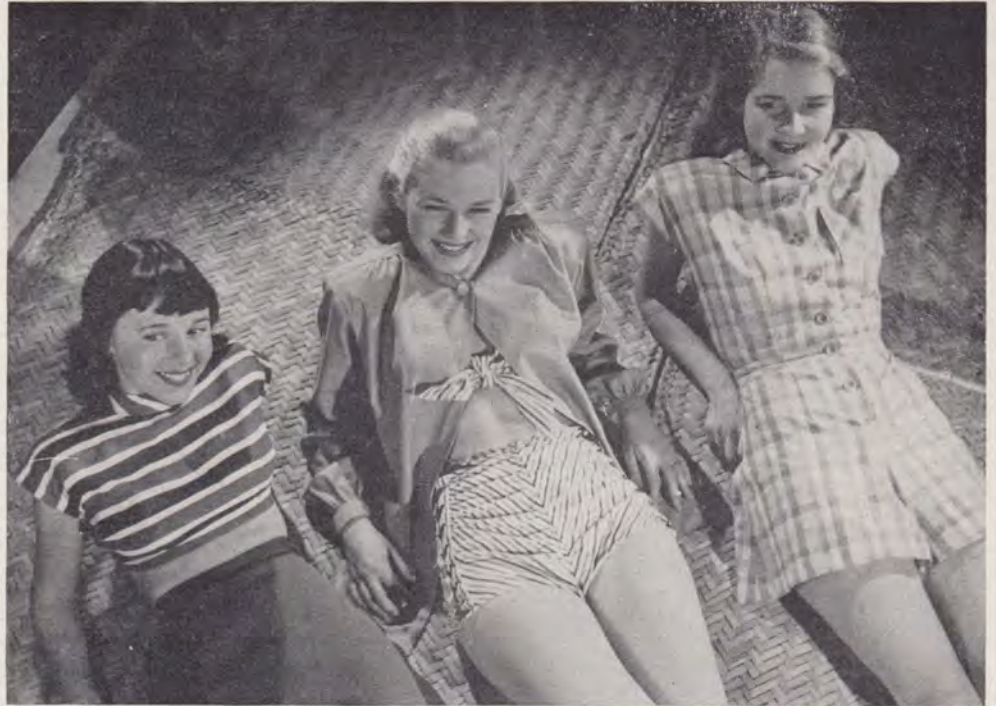
4. Starting at the foot, use both hands to stroke the cosmetic up the leg from the instep. A rotary motion generally causes less streaking than a straight up-the-leg stroke. Carry the make-up well above the knee. Don't skip the little hollows behind the ankle bones.

5. Work fast in covering the leg. When the make-up seems "tacky" or seems to stick to the fingers, stop. Trying to patch the job after the lotion is dry is guaranteed to be 100% unsatisfactory.

6. If you must dress before your make-up is dry, pin your clothes above the make-up line. When your legs are completely dry, try rubbing them with a tissue handkerchief to remove any excess that might otherwise rub off.

Instead of washing out stockings each night, you substitute a soapy leg bath, followed, if you like, by the use of a hand lotion to smooth your legs for tomorrow's make-up job.

Unless it is specified on the bottle, your make-up contains no sun-screening agent and your legs will tan or burn just as if they weren't made up.



The good old summertime is upon us and everyone is thinking about all the things to do when the thermometer hits 90° and every day is "sun-day." Lest you find yourself at home on one of those precious week-ends because you "haven't a thing to wear," here are three suggestions in the line of summer playtime indispensables which you can whip up yourself with a few quick stitches. On the left is an almost-all-purpose midriff outfit that's so becoming to most figures. The midriff shirt has nice broad shoulders and cap sleeves, and made in a dark color the long-shorts help to make you appear much slimmer. It's SIMPLICITY PATTERN No. 1613 and comes in sizes 10-16.

Your all-important bathing suit should be a two-piece one this summer with a cholo jacket to slip on when the weather turns cool. The one pictured here in the center, made with SIMPLICITY PATTERN No. 1612 in sizes 10-16, has a well-fitting bra, shirred-in-front-and-laced-up-the-sides-panties and a neatly tailored, finger-tip beach coat that hangs straight and full from the yoke. On the right is a one-piece playsuit with a set-in waistband; it has buttons to the neck and is finished off with a winsome little turned-down collar. The pants are well-cut, leaving you room to race around. It's also a SIMPLICITY PATTERN, No. 1618, and comes in sizes 12-20.

BANQUET CLOTH FIT FOR THE *Bridal Table*

A HAND-CROCHETED tablecloth is a priceless possession and yet this lovely asset is obtainable by every home in which there is a member who can wield a crochet hook. Pictured on the right is a very attractive pattern of feathery pinwheels joined together by a filigree of picots, making a beautiful background for wedding cake and flowers. Crocheted of mercerized crochet cotton that is durable and washable it will last a lifetime. A direction leaflet for crocheting this tablecloth is yours for the asking. Just send a stamped, self-addressed envelope to PRISCILLA, c/o *Telephone Topics*, 50 Oliver Street, Boston 7, with your request and a copy will be mailed to you.



Forethoughts for the 4th

This is the first peace-time 4th of July in many a long year, so let's make it a gala one with lots of good company. To add a festive note to the table on the Fourth and to pep up drooping summer spirits all season long, these snappy place mats will do the trick. Crocheted in red, white and blue they'll make your table look like a holiday. For simple crocheting directions send a stamped, self-addressed envelope to PRISCILLA.



Marjorie Mills' Recipe of the Month



For a tempting treat in the food line over the Fourth, Marjorie Mills suggests a Strawberry Whip Roll.

1/2 cup enriched flour	3 eggs, beaten and one egg white
3/4 teaspoon baking powder	1/4 teaspoons vanilla
1/4 teaspoon salt	Confectioners sugar
3 tablespoons melted margarine	1 cup sliced fresh strawberries
3/4 cup sugar	Whole berries

Sift, measure flour and resift with baking powder, salt. Add 1/2 cup sugar to eggs gradually and

beat until thick and light-colored. Add vanilla, fold in flour mixture and add melted margarine. Pour into well-greased pan, 7" x 11" x 11 1/4", lined with wax paper and brushed with melted margarine. Bake in hot oven (400 F.) for 10 minutes. Turn out on damp cheese cloth, roll cake up and cool. Beat one egg white until stiff but not dry. Gradually beat in 1/4 cup sugar. Unroll cake and spread with meringue. Top meringue with sliced strawberries. Reroll and sprinkle top with confectioners sugar. Garnish with mounds of meringue topped with whole strawberries. Yields six servings.



4th of July Chiffon Pie

1 envelope plain flavored gelatine	4 eggs	1/2 cup milk
1/4 cup cold water	1/2 cup sugar or 3/4 cup light corn syrup	1/4 teaspoon salt
		1 teaspoon vanilla

7 Hints

For the Housewife

1. If your pets always curl up in the softest, most popular chairs in the house, try this de-furring trick. To rid upholstery and rugs of dog and cat hair, wet a rubber sponge, squeeze out excess water, and rub over the surface. The hair will roll up in little balls, easy to remove.

2. Forever washing ash trays? Wax them to save daily washing. The ashes won't cling, odor won't linger, and dispensable tissue will wipe them clean.

3. Try slipping an oiled-silk dish cover over the bottom of the pot of a hanging plant. It will catch all the drips when the plant is watered.

4. Does your dog suffer from car-sickness? He will stand this summer's trip well if you give him three to five grains of sodium bromide about 30 minutes before you start.

5. And have you tried making a cedar shavings bed for your dog? Sewed into an old pillowcase or sack, they're flea-repellent. What's more, they make your dog smell more of cedar than of dog!

6. When you cut shelf paper to line drawers, cut for several drawers of the same size at once. By putting several thicknesses in each drawer, when one is soiled, it may be removed to reveal a clean one already in its place.

7. For the youngster who is a reluctant eater, try painting an old tray and putting on decals of storybook characters and bright "good mornings" and "good evenings" to add enjoyment to his meal-times and to catch numerous spills as well.

Beat egg yolks with 1/4 cup of sugar or 1/2 cup of corn syrup. Add salt and milk. Cook in double boiler until custard consistency, stirring constantly. Soften gelatine in cold water and dissolve in hot custard. Add vanilla. Cool. When mixture begins to thicken, fold in stiffly beaten egg whites to which remaining 1/4 cup sugar or corn syrup has been added. Pour into baked pie shell or crumb crust and chill until firm. A chocolate cookie crumb crust is delicious with this pie.

Top of pie may be garnished with stars cut from slices of canned cranberry jelly or other fruit jelly. Crust may also be lined with crushed jelly if desired.

Pie pan may be lined with cookies or slices of slightly stale cake in place of pie crust if desired.

Honey Crumb Pie Shell

3 cups oven-popped rice cereal	1/4 cup melted butter or margarine
2 tablespoons honey	

Crush rice cereal into fine crumbs. Add honey and butter; mix well. Press evenly and firmly around sides and bottom of pie pan. Bake in slow oven (325°F.) about 10 minutes. Cool before adding filling. Yields one 8-inch pie shell.



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Awarded Croix de Guerre

Lt. Col. Leslie C. Heartz of Eastern Plant was recently awarded the Croix de Guerre with a star at Headquarters, Base Air Depot Area, Air Service Command, U. S. Strategic Air Forces in Europe, Burtonwood, England. Lt. Col. Heartz, Toll Testman at Bangor, has been overseas since August, 1942, serving as Commanding Officer of the Air Force Signal Supply Depots in England and France. February of this year he was made Signal Officer, Base Air Depot Area, Air Forces in the United Kingdom. He was awarded the Bronze Star in 1944.

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Anne C. Gorham of the Lowell Business Office is now a Chief Yeoman in the Demobilization Department, Navy Bureau, Washington, D. C. Anne was married recently to Donald Scott of Arlington, Va.

On Active Duty



Col. John B. Gegan Cited

May 1 brought an additional decoration to Col. John B. Gegan, Southern Division Commercial Engineer. It was the Croix de Guerre and citation explaining that due to exceptionally meritorious service in the liberation of France, Lt. Col. Gegan had been awarded the Croix de Guerre and Etiole de Vermeil on October 30, 1945. The citation mentions that the award is made at the direction of General de Gaulle and carries the signature of General Juin, Head of the Armies of France.

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The following article appeared recently in the Winthrop, Mass., Sun commending Lt. (j.g.) Francis Yirrell, a former Equipment Installer.

"Three medals have been awarded to Lt. (j.g.) Francis Yirrell, USNR, it was announced April 18 by the Commandant, First Naval District, Boston. The Distinguished Flying Cross and two gold stars in lieu of fourth and fifth awards of the Air Medal were presented for heroism in aerial operations against the Japanese.

"In the citation signed by Rear Admiral A. W. Radford, USN, commander Task Group 38.4 in the name of the President, Lt. Yirrell was commended for inspiring skill and courage, in keeping with the highest traditions of the U. S. Naval service."

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Sgt. Cornelius T. Lynch, Jr., of Metropolitan Plant has returned to work after recently returning home from the Pacific Theater. Sgt. Lynch entered the service March 1, 1943, and continued his technical training at Virginia Polytechnical School, William and Mary College and Radio Operators and Maintenance School at Truax and Scott Field, Ill. The training he received was preparatory to his assignment with the Army Airways Commission System in which he has been working as a Communication Technician. He left the United States on November 18, 1944, for New Guinea, the Philippines and Japan. His service ribbon for the Southwest Pacific carries a Battle Star for the New Guinea Campaign. At the time of his discharge he was assigned to the Headquarters of the 139th Squadron, occupational forces in Tokyo.

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Recently returned to work is Maj. Charles D. Gould who commanded



- Pvt. Austin T. Ahearn (A) Southern Plant
- Maj. Warren V. Allen (A) Southern Traffic
- Lt. (s.g.) David E. Barker (N) Eastern Commercial
- S 1/c Beatrice E. Barry (C.G.) Metropolitan Traffic
- Sgt. James W. Blaisdell (A) Western Plant
- T/5 Helen A. Bodge (A) Southern Traffic
- Y 1/c Marie J. Bogue (N) Metropolitan Traffic
- S/Sgt. Arthur H. Boyd (A) Western Plant
- Maj. James F. Bride (A) Metropolitan Plant
- Pfc. Frances Perkins Buol (M) Metropolitan Traffic
- Y 2/c Catherine E. Burke (N) Central Traffic
- E.T.M.3/c Joseph J. Callahan (N) Metropolitan Plant
- T/Sgt. Howard L. Carroll (A) Western Plant
- S 1/c Mary M. Carroll (N) Metropolitan Traffic
- T/5 Lewis G. Chapman (A) Central Plant
- S/Sgt. Alfred F. Colangelo (A) Southern Plant
- 1st Lt. George A. Collins (M) Metropolitan Plant
- T/4 William F. Corcoran (A) Western Plant
- S/Sgt. Albert E. Crocker, Jr. (A) Central Plant
- Col. Edmund Cunningham (A) Western Plant
- T/4 Ralph E. Dearborn (A) Central Plant
- S 1/c Gerald M. DeCosta (N) Southern Plant
- Cpl. Jean Delaney (A) Central Traffic
- SK 2/c Anna May Dennett (N) Southern Traffic

DIED IN SERVICE

- * Ens. Victor P. Malins, Jr. * General Commercial
- * Cpl. John J. Callahan * Western Plant
- * Lt. (j.g.) Joseph D. McLaughlin * Equipment Installation
- * Lt. Roland J. Levasseur * Central Plant
- * Lt. Francis W. O'Brien * Metropolitan Plant
- * Lt. Charles F. Jennings * Metropolitan Plant
- * Lt. William J. Dennis * Eastern Plant
- * Ens. John E. Ivers, Jr. * Metropolitan Plant
- * S/Sgt. John T. Donahue * Metropolitan Plant
- * S/Sgt. Edward J. Devlin * Western Plant
- * Lt. John L. Sullivan, Jr. * Metropolitan Plant
- * Maj. George H. Colinan * Southern Plant
- * Pfc. John T. McCabe * Secretary's Office
- * S/Sgt. John J. Welch * Central Plant
- * Lt. Arthur J. Simpson * Western Plant
- * S/Sgt. Lawrence B. Wenger * Metropolitan Plant
- * Maj. Earl McDonald * Southern Traffic
- * Sgt. John L. Doran * Metropolitan Plant
- * Lt. Joseph E. Ryan * Metropolitan Plant
- * Lt. Norman M. Dearborn * Gen. Disbursements Accounting
- * Maj. David S. Johnson * Western Plant
- * Sgt. Paul E. Farrell * Southern Plant
- * S.C.3/c Richard W. Wybrow, Jr. * Central Plant

SHOWN on the Capitol grounds is Sgt. Alberta M. O'Malley, now stationed in Washington, D. C., at Marine Corps Headquarters. Alberta, who was an operator in the Parkway Exchange prior to her enlistment, has been in the service for almost two years and is now doing telephone work for the Marines.

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Col. Francis R. Sweeney, Southern Commercial, has been awarded the medal of the Legion of Merit by the War Department for "outstanding service from November, 1943, to December, 1945, as Assistant Secretary, Joint Chiefs of Staff, Washington." The decoration was presented to him in a ceremony at Fort Myer, Va., just prior to his release from active military service in May.

He has been on military leave of absence since September, 1940, when he was called into service as a major in the Massachusetts National Guard. Col. Sweeney had a total of five years and eight months' military service. After a year with his regiment in Texas and Louisiana he was assigned to the Command and General Staff School, Fort Leavenworth, Kan., as an instructor and later as class director. In November, 1943, he was transferred to the Office of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, where he remained until he went on terminal leave last month and returned to the Company.

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Lt. Col. Carroll E. Scott, Boston Toll Testman, who since his return from the India-Burma Theater, after 46 months overseas, has been Base Communications Officer, Tyndall Field, Panama City, Fla., was transferred May 6 to Cushing General Hospital, Framingham, for treatment for injuries received in a Japanese bombing in Burma.

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CONFERENCE ON TREES

A conference of Tree Wardens, State Inspectors and Public Utility Supervisors was held recently at Massachusetts State College, Amherst. The conference was designated as Utility Day and the subject was: "Short Course for Tree Wardens and Other Workers with Public Shade Trees." Among the speakers were John P. Kobrock, General Plant Engineering Supervisor, who presented a talk with the sound film entitled "Let's Look at Trees," and Robert H. Lawton,

Division Plant Supervisor. The following supervisors from the New England Telephone and Telegraph Company who attended the conference were: Charles E. Ames, Elmer F. Waters, John C. Dalton and John I. Hyland of Boston; Harry Southall, Central Division; James J. McCarthy, Paul M. Kellogg, Earl A. Kimberley, Lawrence B. Shepherd, Edward F. Better, Jr., John A. Proctor, James L. Naughton, Russell E. Chase, John V. O'Brien, Joseph E. Bonneville from the Western Division.

DIRECTORY CLASS

Directory Advertising sales class recently included, left to right: J. C.

McKelvey, Instructor; Elliott Wood, Edward F. Cross, Directory Sales Manager; Walter Cassell, Charles Sullivan.



INTRODUCTORY TRAINING

A group of seven new Traffic men recently completed their introductory training course at Salem and Boston. Left to right: Alfred L. Crowley, John P. Giblin, Jr.,

Clarence W. Baier, General Traffic Personnel Supervisor; Paul R. O'Brien, Paul MacFarland, General Training Supervisor; John D. Haigh, Thomas S. Gary, James J. Connolly, Jr., Julian S. Hartwell.



ANNIVERSARY

Assistant General Plant Manager John J. Dolan and a gathering of co-workers look on as H. W. Macdonald,

General Plant Supervisor, presents Roger C. Conant his 40th anniversary service pin. To commemorate the occasion Roger was also presented a gift by his friends in General Plant.



SHOWER

A shower was held at Steuben's Vienna Room in Boston for Vera Roma of the Directory Office to celebrate her marriage on June 1 to Paul Cote, of Keene, N. H. She was given luggage, money and other gifts. Those present

included Barbara Helpin, Virginia Law, Marie Phelan, Helen Harrington, Julia Armstrong, Grace McNamee, Marie Boyd, June Harnden, Rosemary MacMahon, Bette Cronin, Catherine Harkin, Virginia Ennis, Agnes Ferioli, Anne Kelliher, Ruth Powers, Paul Cote, Vera Roma, Agnes Hennessey and Carolyn Goodwin.

Welcome

General Traffic Engineering welcomes Mary A. Barrett who has been transferred from the Metropolitan Division.

General Traffic Engineering welcomes Bradford B. Mahoney and John A. Morse who were recently transferred from General Plant.

General Traffic Engineering welcomes Justus S. Erskine who was recently transferred from Metropolitan Division.

General Traffic is happy to welcome back Linford N. Fitzpatrick and Paul A. Lund who have returned from military leave of absence. They have resumed their positions on the staff of the General Traffic Engineer.

Anniversary

Lewis S. Stockman of the General Accounting Reports Division recently celebrated his 35th service anniversary. His office associates presented him a radio. Among the large number of cards Lewis received were many from old telephone friends.

Welcome

A hearty welcome is extended to Hugh T. Barker, Jr., who has joined the General Toll Service Supervisor's group. Prior to four years' service in the Signal Corps, the greater part of which was in the European Theatre of Operations where he held the rank of Captain, he had been associated with the Western Electric Company for four years.



"Hi, folks. You're in for a surprise—Dottie's baked a cake that's lighter'n a feather."



ANNIVERSARY

Louise A. Cram of the Statistician's Division recently completed 35 years' service with the Company. Louise

was the recipient of gifts and well wishes, and was tendered a luncheon given in her honor by her acquaintances.



MANAGEMENT COURSE

Managers who recently attended a management course in Boston were,

left to right: Thomas J. Walsh, Robert A. Hamilton, Llewellyn C. Martin, Richard J. Davis, Leader; Frank P. Desmond, Eugene L. Vail.



35TH ANNIVERSARY

Chester W. Nichols, Commercial Engineer in the General Office, completed 35 years' service with the Bell System. He received his service emblem from Harry V. Keefe,

General Commercial Engineer, in the presence of many of his associates gathered for a luncheon at the Union Oyster House. Chet was presented some first editions to add to his collection in addition to other gifts from his friends.



CONGRATULATIONS

Eileen C. Cuddy of the Building Department, General Plant, 245 State Street, receives a gift of money from Division Supervisor of Buildings William C. Connelly, on

behalf of a group of her friends and co-workers who gathered to extend best wishes on the day of her resignation. Eileen was married to Bernard F. Donovan of the Metropolitan Plant who was a Staff Sergeant in the U.S.A.A.C.

Newcomers

The Supply Department at Watertown extends a welcome to newcomers Mary Ferrari and Mary T. McDonough.

Engagement

The engagement of Shirley Robbins of the General Commercial Department has recently been announced, to Donald E. Smith of Arlington.

General Notes

Harry S. Sluman, retired, was a recent visitor at 6 Bowdoin Square. After spending the winter at Cleveland, O., at the home of his daughter, he and Mrs. Sluman are now located at their summer home in Greenville, N. H.

Next winter they expect to be located at Silver Springs, Fla., where there is a large colony of retired telephone employees.

Jeremiah F. Fouhy, retired, was also a recent visitor at 6 Bowdoin Square. Jerry appears to be in good health and is keeping himself busy working around the house.

Marriage

Phyllis D. Hoeft of the Supply Department, Watertown, was married to Albert G. Dolan of Brookline Installation, at the Rectory of Our Lady of the Presentation Church, Newton. A few days prior to the wedding a dinner and shower party was held at the Myles Standish Hotel for Phyllis by her telephone and Western Electric friends, who gave her a purse of money.

Al was a Master Sergeant in the Army Signal Corps and was overseas in the European Theatre for over two years. He formerly was with the Supply Department before transferring to the Installation force at Brookline.



FRESHMEN

New employees during the first third of 1946 at the Boston Directory Office are, left to right, front row: Gertrude O'Dea, Alice Maloney, Isabelle Lombard, Margaret O'Brien, Carolyn Goodwin, Patricia Kelliher, Claire Cunn-

ingham. Second row: Claire Crisp, Marie Miley, Dorothea O'Hare, Natalie King, Agnes Ferioli, Elizabeth Cronin, Gertrude Byrne, Helen Pendergast, Mary Silva. Back row: Catherine Burckhart, Antoinette Pecorarro, Mary May, Rita Dwyer, Barbara Reed, June Harnden, Barbara Halpin, Elizabeth Boyle, Margaret O'Neil.



ANNIVERSARY

Mary E. Sullivan, Directory Supervisor, is congratulated on her 25th anniversary with the Company by her associates.



PRE-NUPTIAL PARTY

The girls of the General Office recently honored Virginia G. Gavin at the Town House to celebrate her marriage to Harvey Walsh of Metropolitan Plant. She was presented

glassware. Attending the celebration were, seated, left to right: Frances L. Rogers, Sally Moran, Louise Crowley, Marguerite I. Sage, Miss Gavin, Mary K. Crosby. Standing: Alice M. Murphy, Betty A. Hentz, Mary T. Ryan, Ann E. McBride.



NEWCOMERS

Newcomers who have recently been welcomed to the General Accounting Department are, seated, left to right: Ann L. Herlihy, Mary K. Lynch,

Anna M. Leonard, Catherine J. Coleman. Standing, left to right: Eleanor E. Madden, Jean E. Pierce, Patricia A. McGonagle, Lillian Barrows and Marion V. Faust.

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For those who want it apply for \$1.60 round trip train ticket or \$1.40 per dinner ticket to Sec. Treas., 125 Milk Street, Boston 9, not later than June 29th.



NEW ASSIGNMENTS

A dinner party was given at Steuben's Vienna Room by friends in the General Accounting Department on the occasion of new assignments for

George V. Bubear, as Staff Accountant, Financial Studies, John J. McLaughlin as Clerk in the Staff Accounts Division, and Loren C. Dutton as General Accounting Supervisor.

Engagement

Constance P. Fennessy of the Budget and Report Supervisors' group, General Plant, is receiving the best wishes of her co-workers

on the announcement of her engagement to Carsten J. Munch, E. M. 2/c, who has just returned from 22 months' duty in the Pacific area.

Equipment Installation News

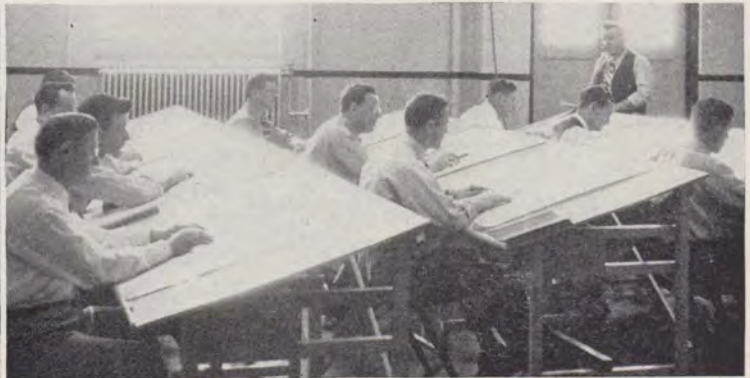
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FALL RIVER

Members of two recent classes of Equipment Installation men held at Fall River were, first picture, step by step switch and relay adjusting school, left to right: J. E. SteMarie, R. E. Crockett, Frederick C. Orcutt, Instructor C. I. Tripp, Jr., G. R. Rein-

hagen. Second picture, dial step by step circuit class, front row: R. E. Schell, A. Edson, H. B. Downing. Second row: G. W. Basallion, R. C. Gallipeau, W. H. Kirkman, Jr. Third row: H. L. Hall, N. Darcey, R. G. Barber, N. B. Mooney. Standing: Clyde J. Donovan, Instructor.





PROVIDENCE

Making up forms on the District timed release job at 234 Washington Street, Providence, R. I., under the super-

vision of Foreman Charles A. Finlay, are, left to right: Everett B. Merrifield, Jr., William J. Shea, William Taylor.



INSTALLERS

Installing local test desk, 234 Washington Street, Providence, R. I., are,

left to right: John C. McNeil, Armand A. Houle, Oscar W. Stahl, William R. Kelley, Charles J. Lehan, Jr.

Central Division

On April 22, Thomas W. Hicks of Portsmouth, N. H., passed the class "A" S x S examination.

stalling 50 line relays, 2 line finders, 9 selectors and 9 connectors.

Installer Walter G. Pleu with the assistance of five equipment installers is adding 50 line relays, 3 line finders, 20 selectors and 18 connectors at the Indian Orchard Office.

Installer John R. Baxter is in charge of the relay school for switches and 200 type selectors at Worcester. The following men are attending: Edward E. Kelly, Thomas R. Murphy, John J. O'Sullivan, Eugene F. Sullivan and George E. Winchester.

Foreman George F. Warren has men under his supervision working at White River, Milton, St. Albans and Richford, all Vermont offices.



RELAY SCHOOL

Members of a Lynn Relay School held recently were, first row: J. B. Carr, Jr., R. Heyliger. Second row:

J. J. Dennis, W. A. Robertson, J. J. Zaccari. Third row: K. E. Buxton, J. A. McGee. Fourth row: C. F. Johnson, Jr., R. E. Foley, L. L. Stewart. Standing: Instructors J. G. Earle, J. E. McKinnon.



Southern Division

At 234 Washington Street, Providence, R. I., eight positions of No. 14 Test Desk were recently installed to replace the No. 12 Test Desk that was inadequate for testing crossbar equipment. Six of these positions had been removed from the Granite Office at Quincy, and were modified at Providence under the supervision of Foreman W. A. Bradley, assisted by Installers R. J. Beck, P. C. Dwyer, C. N. Gallepeau, F. J. Hallahan, A. A. Houle, W. R. Kelley, C. J. Lehan, Jr., J. C. McNeil, W. F. Scanlon and O. W. Stahl.

Desmond J. Fitzgerald is at the Cataumet Office removing 27 positions of No. 12 switchboard and the two way ticket track. The switchboard positions are to be reused at the Dorchester and Roxbury Dial Offices while the two way ticket track will be reused at 234 Washington Street, Providence, R. I.

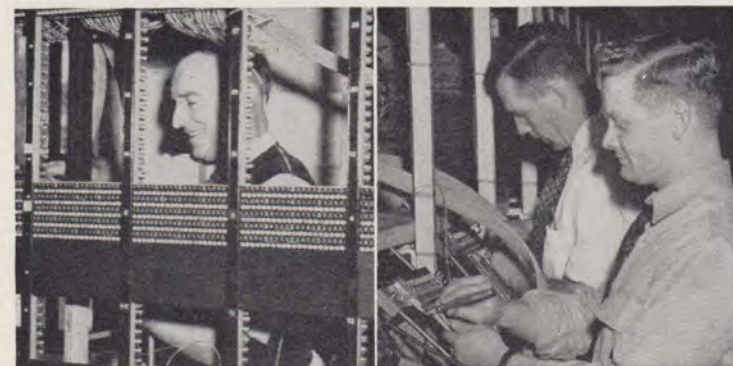
In the secondary line of "A" switchboard West exchange 500 multiple answering jacks, 40 O.G.T. multiple, 40 interposition trunks and 40 tie lines are being installed on an emergency basis to take care of held orders and improve local service. Foreman Daniel K. McDonald was in charge of the installation assisted by R. J. Beck, G. G. Benn, J. A. Farrell, W. L. Hayes, R. M. Land, J. R. May and H. H. Weising.

At the Attleboro Office two sections of No. 11 switchboard with 300 multiple are being installed, also positions 1A and 1B are being rewired with miscellaneous changes and additions by Foreman Warren T. Farrell assisted by R. A. Boucher, J. J. Burke, E. J. Dale, J. J. Kelleher, M. McIntosh and F. A. McMahon.

TRAINING

Attending two recent classes for Equipment Installation men held in Lynn were, first picture, left to right: W. J. Orvitt, J. J. Maher, R. E. Mackey, R. G. MacGuire, B. W. Kelleher, Jr., J. F. Murphy, D. H. Ferguson, J. D. McPherson, T. L. Conroy, G. V. Kenney, R. J.

DiPesa, F. J. McCumiskey. Standing: Instructors L. T. DeMontier, E. G. Hudson. Second picture, left to right around the table: D. H. Ferguson, F. E. McGinty, E. E. Ford, E. J. McCabe, H. M. Proctor, D. F. Lucey, H. L. Wightman, W. F. Sheelock, J. J. Allen, B. C. Benoit, B. W. Kelleher, Jr., P. H. Gallagher. Instructors L. T. DeMontier, E. G. Hudson.



ATTLEBORO

First picture: F. A. McMahon installing additional multiple in the Attleboro No. 11 Switchboard. Roland

A. Boucher and Edward J. Dale, second picture, tapping Jacks in the rear of the Attleboro No. 11 Switchboard.

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PLANT MEETING

Men who attended a recent safety conference at the Portsmouth, N. H.,

Office under the direction of Wire Chief Harry S. Caverhill are shown above.



CONFERENCE ON SAFETY

Shown above is a Safety Conference

held in the Gloucester Wire Chief's area on April 24.



SAFETY RESUME

At the K. of C. hall in Dover, N. H., employees in the Construction, Cable and Maintenance Departments from Rochester, Wolfeboro, Center Ossipee, North Conway

and Dover attended a resume of safety practices, instruction in the care and handling of tools and materials, and driving and handling motor vehicles. Arthur F. Somes, Maintenance Supervisor; Donald W. Erdis, Construction Supervisor and Thomas A. Seaward, Wire Chief, spoke.



LYNN

A group which recently met in the stockroom in the Lynn

area of the Plant Department to discuss the held order situation are shown above.



ANNIVERSARY

Wesley Bevins, Traffic Engineer, recently celebrated his 35th telephone birthday and is shown receiving a gift of an Eversharp Pen and Pencil Set, and flowers, from his Division Staff friends. Division Traffic Engineer Carl W. Proctor awarded the emblem to Mr. Bevins. Front row: Mr. Proctor,

Mr. Bevins, Dorothy Sargent, Helen Blanchard, Lillian Silver, Claire McMahon, Louise Hudson, Barbara Kidder. Back row: Russell Norton, Louise King, David C. Hall, Richard Chadwick, Elizabeth Scannell, Mary Sullivan, Gladys Hermanson, Olive Andrews, Clara Bremner, Ethel Gonya, Lilly Hedstrom, Effie Griffin, Harold A. Amidon.

Newcomers

The following are welcomed to Central Division Commercial: James W. Landers, Coin Telephone Collector; Loretta R. Rufo, Cashier, Concord, N. H.; Beverly B. Bourn, Cashier, Dover, N. H.; Louise A. Bennett, Service Order Clerk, Gloucester.

Appreciation

One of our Haverhill customers who recently had service installed after being on the waiting list sent an artistic card of appreciation to the Business Office. On the front cover was a scroll decorated with flowers and the words "Gee But I'm Filled With Appreciation."



SAFETY

The Central Division has been conducting a series of meetings for the

Plant Department dealing with safety. These men attended the meeting held recently in Newburyport.

Miscellaneous

Ruth Ball, an Operator at Manchester, N. H., Local, was married to Lt. Joseph Nelson of the Bronx, N. Y., on May 4, at Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church in Manchester.

Returns from Military Service

June Hayward has returned to her duties in the Central Division Disbursements Accounting Office after having served two years with the United States Marine Corps, of which most of the time she was stationed in California.



"Dictate, dictate, dictate, and I spent ten dollars for jiu-jitsu lessons so that I could defend myself against advances."



PARTY AND SHOWER

A St. Patrick's party was given by the Framingham Office employees who enjoyed moving pictures, games,

dancing and refreshments. Ruth Willard was presented a sum of money by her co-workers in honor of her coming marriage to Robert Shamblan of Lincoln, Neb.



SUPERVISORY TRAINING

A Supervisory Training group in Haverhill included, standing: Dorothy

Murphy, Josephine Callahan, Assistant Chief Operators. Seated: Catherine Hayes, Alice Raygan, Instructor; Rita Harlow.



OPEN HOUSE

The Framingham Office observed open house recently with many people attending from Framingham and surrounding towns. Arnold E. Nichols, Traffic Manager; Louis G.

LaPointe, District Traffic Superintendent; Shirley Sweet, Traffic Manager, and Loretta Kelley, Chief Operator, greeted the people and explained the toll board and information desk, after which refreshments were served.



Frank E. Hanson, recently returned from service, has been transferred from Lynn Traffic to Pittsfield as District Traffic Superintendent.



ACCIDENT PREVENTION

An accident prevention meeting under the leadership of Benjamin H. Roberts,



Wire Chief, was held at Claremont, N. H., first picture. Second picture, the Laconia, N. H., Plant Department held a safety meeting under the direction of Arthur O. Sibson, Wire Chief.



NEWBURYPORT NEWCOMERS

The Newburyport Traffic Office has recently welcomed the following girls. First picture, seated: Carmelita L. Ryan, Rita M. Montagna, Lorraine P.



Gibeau, Alice E. Aspinall, Dorothy M. Belanger, Norma E. Brule. Standing: Hazel M. Wilkin, Janice M. Belouin, Lillian L. Boschetti, Gwendolyn M. Mathews, Theresa V. King. Second picture, left to right: Beatrice Roy, Dorothy Ferrick, Eileen Childs, Helen Sadlier, Virginia Lynch, Selma Coltin.



WEDDING BELLS

Associates of Pauline M. Obernesser of the Central Plant Department at Bowdoin Square recently entertained her

at a dinner party at the Lobster House in honor of her marriage to George A. Watson, a former navy man from West Virginia. She was presented a purse of money and other gifts.



FAREWELL DINNER

Albert E. Leland, Traffic Manager, recently transferred from Salem to Vermont, was entertained at dinner at the Golden Anchor in Danvers. He was presented a purse of money and Mrs. Leland received a corsage. Committee members were Nora Cottrell, Margaret Gillis, Verna Hubbard, Ann Julius, Betty Doherty.



CLASS FOR BUSINESS OFFICE REPRESENTATIVES

This group of new employees attending a course for Business Office Representatives at Central Division Commercial Headquarters paused from their studies long enough to have a picture taken. Back row, left to right: H. Ray Wilson, Division Manager; William N. Eckerson, William H. Scannell, Richard T. Martell, Robert E. Gardner, Dana H. Ash, Division Service Manager. Front row: Ashford H. Jenkinson, Kathyne E. McKenzie, Division Training Supervisor; Henry B. Metcalf.

Misunderstanding

A Lowell Business Office employee in arranging for a telephone installation with a Wilmington customer asked the question: "Is there an instrument in the house?" The customer replied: "Yes, we have a piano."

Transferred

Harvey B. Poole, Business Office Representative, has been transferred to the Division Commercial Engineering Staff.



NEW EMPLOYEES

A group of new employees who recently attended an orientation school at Manchester, N. H., left to right, from top of pole down: Robert D. Hedlund, Lowell; Walter M. Foster, Framingham; James Narritos, Dover, N. H.; Edward Maynard, Dover, N. H.; Roland Tuttle, Dover, N. H.; Francis C. O'Neill, Nashua, N. H.; Tony E. Foye, Manchester, N. H.; and Eugene S. Winkler, Instructor, Nashua, N. H.

DAN O'BRIEN FETED



This picture of Daniel J. O'Brien, Jr., and Mrs. O'Brien was taken at a dinner party at the Vesper Country Club, held in honor of Dan's transfer to Newburyport as Manager. Mrs. O'Brien was given an orchid and Dan was presented three Victory Bonds, the presentation being made by Warren E. Barker, Lowell District Manager.



X-RAYS

Having their lungs x-rayed at Framingham are, left to right: Mary Waugh,

matron; Emily Bhilani, Dorothy Voght, Dorothy Kennedy and Vera Whitehouse.



SAFETY MEETING

A joint safety meeting of Maintenance and Construction held at Manchester, N. H., was attended by 94 men at which safety methods were stressed. "No job is so important and no service is so urgent that we cannot take

time to perform our work safely." The meeting was opened by Wire Chief Percy B. Hussey, with talks by Maintenance Supervisor Arthur F. Somes, Construction Supervisor Donald W. Erdis and District Plant Superintendent William A. Francis.



John R. Rapp, Jr.



SAFETY MEETING

A safety meeting was held recently in Salem. Among those attending were: Ed Quinn, Division Safety Super-

visor; John A. McDonald, District Construction Supervisor; Frank D. Henderson, District Plant Superintendent; Ralph A. Williams, Division Plant Superintendent.

Quick Wits

John R. Rapp, Jr., Lineman at Gloucester and a newcomer with the Company, recently established himself as a man of action when, after witnessing an accident in which a child was struck by a car, he climbed a nearby pole, cut into a wire and put in an emergency call to which police responded almost immediately. The child was not seriously injured.



SAFETY MEETINGS

The Lowell District recently held safety meetings for plant employees at Lowell, Lawrence, Marlboro and Milford. The Plant employees of the Haverhill area

attended the Lawrence meeting. Above, the first picture shows the group attending the Marlboro meeting. The second picture shows the group attending the Milford meeting.



SAFETY CONFERENCE

Attending a safety conference held in the Lowell Wire Chief Area is shown

in the first picture. The second picture shows a group attending the safety meeting held in the Lawrence-Haverhill Wire Chief Area.

Thanks to Lynn

For their efforts in collecting 179 packs of brand new playing cards and other games for servicemen, the girls of Lynn Traffic received a letter from Ken and Carolyn of The Yankee Kitchen which read in part:

"We are used to people generously sending in two or three new packs; but we never have seen a box like yours. We have counted the contents twice to be sure and the people in the office just don't believe it. Still more thanks for the pocket chess set which is no flimsy worn-out thing, but a beauty. That will go to somebody who really loves chess, some chap in the hospital, because to a chess enthusiast, nothing matches that game for taking his mind off his aches and pains and tragedies.

"As a group, you have brought a great deal of pleasure and relief to a lot of men who need it."

The girls also received a letter from Dorothy D. Beggs, vice president of the First Region Council, The Citizen's Committee for the Army and Navy, Inc., Affiliate of USO, thanking them for their cooperation.

Marriage

Shirley Copp, an Operator at Exeter, N. H., was married recently to Clyde R. Sturtevant at Hampton Falls, N. H.



SURPRISE PARTY

Eileen O'Donnell of the District Plant Office at Manchester, N. H., was surprised when her fellow workers tendered her a dinner party at The Carpenter in honor of her approaching marriage. She was presented a handbag, a pair of gloves and a corsage. Seated, left to right: Dorothy Bean, Catherine Barnea, Eileen O'Donnell, Ethel

Langmaid, Claire Poissant, Dorothy Clayton. Standing: Ruthe Linehan, Helen Mahoney, Mabel Crowley, Agnes Dugan, Janet Philbrick, Frances Blasik, Emma Scruton, Arlene Hussey, Claire Dion, Jean Winterton, Germaine Hughes, Rachel Provencher, Gertrude Franklin, Dorothy Fleming, Pearl Shedd, Marjorie Barrows and Elizabeth McLaughlin.



BOWLING AND FAREWELL

At the annual bowling party of the bowling teams of the Salem District held at the Relay House in Nahant, Howard W. Bates, Salem Traffic Manager, was presented a purse of money and a miniature set of left-handed golf clubs

as a farewell gift before he left for Lynn. Committee members were: Edith Ball, Salem Toll; Mary Garvey, Toll; Jean Walker, Rita Cronin, Polly Foster, Salem Local; Ann Julius, Beverly; Jane Flewelling, Lynn; Shirley Coombs, Gloucester. At the left table is the Salem Local and Toll group and at the right table is the Lynn group.



SUPERVISORS' CLASS

Members of a class held at Peabody for Traffic Supervisors included, left

to right: Kathleen McCarthy, Stella Stevens, Eleanor Williams, Instructor; Verna Goodell.



NEWCOMERS

Recently welcomed as new employees in the office of the Central Division Auditor of Disbursements are the above group. Seated: Catherine Whalen, Mary Thompson, Geraldine

O'Loughlin, Margaret Hanmore, Catherine Montisano, Joan Moulton. Standing: Mary Linskey, Eileen Henry, Agnes Mead, Harriet Desmond, Louise Jackson, Rose Jennett, Eileen Donahue.



NEW EMPLOYEES

A group of new employees who recently attended an orientation school at Manchester, N. H., left to right: Paul C. Caswell, Manchester, N. H.; Richard F. Daley, Swampscott; Paul McDermott, Gloucester; Eugene S. Winkler, In-



structor, Nashua, N. H.; Spurgeon W. Smith, Lawrence; Dean P. Kimball, Laconia, N. H.; and Robert B. Taplin, Lawrence. Members of a cable school held at Dover, N. H., were, left to right: Harold E. Watson, Instructor, Dover; Harry S. Sherwood, Dover; Thomas A. Seaward, Wire Chief, Dover; William C. Judge, Lancaster; Chester T. Seaward, Dover.



STUDENT TRAINING

Attending two recent training classes for operators at Marlboro were, first picture, left to right, seated: Madeline Hills, Doris Coutu, Helen Farley.

Standing: Ann Nevins, Instructor. Second picture, seated: Charlotte McGovern, Marjorie Berry, Vera Sliaton. Standing: Margaret McCabe, Instructor; Mary Monahan.



SERVICE REPRESENTATIVES' CLASS

Service Representatives who recently attended a training class at Central Division Headquarters, 6 Bowdoin Square, Boston, were, left to right,

standing: Alice Mack, Salem; Louise Cantone, Beverly; Sylvia Morgan, Lawrence; Agnes Dugan, Manchester, N. H.; Cecelia Burchell, Haverhill; Gladys Creamer, Instructor. Seated: Bernadette Lyons, Instructor.



HONEYMOON IN N. Y.

Lorraine Smith Garvey, center, of Salem Local while on her honeymoon in New York with husband Joseph, right, appeared on the "Honeymoon in New York" program at the NBC studio. With them is shown Joy

Hodges, the singing bridesmaid, who presented them many gifts, including 24 hours in the bridal suite of the Waldorf-Astoria, an evening at the Stork Club, a Gruen watch, electric mixer, two place settings of sterling and other gifts.

Engaged

Marie Baldwin, Clerk in the Central Office Equipment Section of the Central Division Auditor of Disbursements Office, has announced her engagement to Ernest

Burke of Everett, now in the United States Navy. Marie is receiving the congratulations and good wishes of her associates. The Centadacs, office organization, presented Marie a corsage to mark the occasion.



NEWCOMERS

New students at Lynn Traffic are, first row, left to right: Mary O'Brien, Control Operator; Lorraine Makis, Pauline Maurice, Phyllis Donovan, Irene Pillsbury, Virginia Hallar, Barbara Webb, Marie Thibodeau, Jeanne McNamara. Back row: Mary Evitts,

Alice Cleary, Instructor; Mary McDonough, Control Operator; Elizabeth Foster, Claire Ellingwood, Marjorie Rillovick, Instructor; Ann Dynan, Evelyn Donahue, Jean Bragg, Patricia Gainey, Alice Coffee, Instructor; Lois Reed, Nathalie Barry, Ruth Smalley.



SUPERVISORS' CLASS

These two classes recently received Junior Supervisor training in the Salem Toll Office. In the first picture: Peggy Moynihan, Lucille Grundy, Mary



Parker, Instructor; Jean DesJardins and Barbara Whearty. In the second picture: Jean Ennis, Eileen Jennings, Mary Parker, Instructor; Gertrude Bashaw and Marion Jones.



SUPERVISORS TRAIN

Attending two recent meetings for Traffic Supervisors held at the Andover Inn were, first picture, seated: Alice Donovan, Madeline Coughlin, Louise Baril, Elizabeth Rafferty. Standing: James Corcoran, District Traffic Manager; Vivian



Shiers, Josephine Lyons, Frances Potter, Katherine Dowe, Kathleen Riley, Louis LaPointe, District Traffic Superintendent. Second picture, seated: Doris Currier, Irene Ganley, Rose Baril, Chief Operator; Mary Blackwell, Dorothy Noble, Rosalind Mickein. Standing: Josephine Duggan, Helen McCarthy, Mr. Corcoran, Edith Roy, Mr. LaPointe.



CENTADACS ELECT

The Centadacs, office organization of the Central Division Disbursements Accounting Department, held their annual meeting and election of officers. Retiring President Mary Joyce turned the gavel over to the new President, Frank Donahue, and the

other new officers, Al Smith, Treasurer, Dorothy O'Rourke, Secretary, and Dorothy Gooding and Patrick Hoban, Representatives, assumed their new duties. Seated: Dorothy O'Rourke, Dorothy Gooding. Standing: Al Smith, Frank Donahue and Patrick Hoban.



SUPERVISORY TRAINING

Lawrence and Framingham girls who recently attended a Traffic Supervisors' training class at Framingham were, seated, left to right: Frances Potter, Lawrence; Doris McGovern,

Framingham; Margaret Cryan, Instructor; Catherine Riley, Lawrence; Eileen Kelleher, Framingham. Standing: Arnold E. Nichols, Traffic Manager, Framingham; Louis G. LaPointe, District Traffic Superintendent.



"Sorry, sir, if you can't take care of your unpaid balance, I must write it off the books."

Appointed Supervisor

Alice S. Anderson has been appointed Supervisor in the Manchester, N. H., Business Office. She was formerly Service Representative in that office.

Addresses Rotary

Daniel J. O'Brien, recently appointed Manager at Newburyport, addressed the Lowell Rotary Club and showed some Signal Corps motion pictures. Dan was Captain in the Signal Corps overseas in the late war.



SAFETY CONFERENCES

The Concord, N. H., Maintenance, Construction and Cable forces, first picture, gathered at Pilgrim Hall recently for a safety meeting. Earl L. Kimball, Wire Chief, conducted the meeting and introduced Donald W. Erdis, Con-



struction Supervisor; William A. Francis, District Plant Superintendent, and William W. Byars, District Maintenance Supervisor. Second picture, the Lancaster, N. H., Plant Department also held a safety meeting with Paul S. Eastman, Wire Chief, as Instructor.



45TH ANNIVERSARY

On the occasion of the celebration of his 45th anniversary with the Company, Benjamin H. Roberts, Wire Chief of the Claremont area, is shown being presented his three-diamond service button by William W. Byars, Maintenance Supervisor. Left to

right: Don I. Nichols, Victor R. Hird, Mr. Roberts, Mr. Byars, James F. Lyons and Phyllis B. Garland. Mr. Roberts received a Hamilton wrist watch and money from his telephone associates and many cards and congratulatory messages. During the evening he was surprised at his home by a group of 25 friends.



MANCHESTER SOCIAL

Members of the Traffic Department at Manchester, N. H., enjoyed a get-together recently in the retiring room. Movies were shown, refresh-

ments were served. A pair of nylons was offered as grand prize for the evening, and was won by Rita Egan. Talks were given by Oscar E. Stanton, District Traffic Superintendent, and Gordon A. Greer, Traffic Manager.

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NEWCOMERS

Newcomers in the Presque Isle, Me., Office are, front row: Mamie M. Marcoux, Shirley F. Bragdon, Anita M. Dickinson, Ruth B. Thompson, Dorothy J. Parks, Grace P. Mitchell, Mary

W. Carle, Miriam P. Churchill. Back row: Mary T. Bell, Evelyn D. Stilson, Louise F. Ferguson, Catherine P. Watson, Ethelyn L. Kelley, Lorraine M. Littlefield, Glenna C. Sperrey, Madeline G. Wyman, Helen M. Cyr, Myrtle P. Parks.



NEW INSTRUCTORS

New Student Instructors at Presque Isle, Me., are, left to right: Annette V. Tardy, Dorothy J. Culberson and Mildred V. Barnes.



NEW EMPLOYEES

A group of new employees who recently attended an orientation school at Manchester, N. H., left to right, from top of pole down: Fletcher Haselton, Manchester, N. H.; John H. Shea, Prides Crossing; Donald O'Brien, Marlboro; Harold L. Yapp, Littleton; Robert Carney, Lawrence; Albert H. Sampson, Lynn; Harold P. Wilson, Jr., Salem; Cornelius Keane, Nashua, N. H.; Eugene S. Winkler, Instructor, Nashua, N. H.



FAREWELL PARTY

Clara Jacques of the Augusta, Me., Traffic Department was honored at a surprise farewell party at the Worster House in Hallowell upon her retirement after 29 years of service with the Telephone Company. Mrs. Jacques was presented a corsage and a Victory Bond from her co-workers. Not shown: Dorothy V. Thibault, Mary

Kennon, Ethel Farrow. Front row: Christine Merrick, Beverly Folsom, Corris Ann McGuire, Mrs. Jacques, Ellen Abram, Gladys Thompson, Barbara H. Seigars and Cecile Harlowe. Back row: Ellen P. Burns, Ruth Anderson, Chief Operator; Amidel S. Krumen, Gertrude A. Collins, Elizabeth J. Hickey, Frances M. O'Neill and Ellen M. Taylor.



NEWCOMERS

Recently welcomed to the Portland Revenue Accounting Department are, seated, left to right: Edna G. Wilson,

Mary M. Morshead, Sylvia E. Hayes, Martha E. Cole and Ann E. Haley. Standing: Lillian M. Jollotta, Theresa H. Frydel and Dorothy A. Doyle.



LIVERMORE FALLS PARTY

Tuesday evening, April 23, a dinner dance was held at Pythian Hall, Livermore Falls, in honor of the Livermore Falls operators. This was an all-department affair and William P. Mennealy, Acting Manager of the Rumford area, filled the role as master of ceremonies. General

dancing followed the dinner. The committee in charge were: William P. Mennealy, L. J. King, William Macomber, Larry Turner, Evelyn Moynihan, Margaret Conroy and Marguerite Hartnett. Above, left to right, are: E. Moynihan, H. Chase, P. Eaichel, C. Richard, R. Noble, A. Record, A. V. Hood, Chief Operator G. Jennings, F. Briggs, N. Partridge, F. Burbank, M. Hartnett.



James K. White

Free Calls

On Easter Sunday, the girls of Portland Dial provided eight boys, who are ill in sick bay at Great Diamond Island, with an opportunity to extend Easter Greetings to their relatives and friends at home. Two calls were completed to California, two to Indiana, one to Illinois and one each to Maine, Massachusetts, and New York.

The following note and the accompanying picture were received in Portland Dial, in appreciation of the calls.

"We, the fortunate ones, wish to express our appreciation for bringing us all so close to home at this time of year, by thanking you from the bottom of our hearts. Would also like to wish you, as you made it possible to wish our loved ones, —A Happy Easter." The note was signed by the eight boys. Shown here making his call is James K. White, Fireman 1/c, USN, of Terre Haute, Ind.



COMMERCIAL CLASSES

Members of a recent class for Business Office Representatives held in Portland were, first picture, left to right: James F. Travers, John C. Whittemore, Division Servicing Manager; Delmar D. Shaw, Cecilia G. Levesque, Division

Instructor; William F. Blackwood. Second picture, attending a Service Representative class at Portland were, left to right: Mary G. Nelson, recently transferred to Commercial from Disbursement Accounting; Rita M. Robinson, recently transferred from Traffic; Gertrude M. Gallagher, Division Training Supervisor.



SUPERVISORY MEETING

Portland District Plant Supervisory force which attended a recent accident prevention meeting included, seated: George D. Bradstreet, Clyde B. Brooks, Earl R. Trott, Howard T. Stackpole, Chester C. Stevens, John A. Cun-

ningham, Albion K. Wallace, Henry A. Kittleson, William K. Baker, Thomas A. Curran, George A. Gardenier. Standing: Basil C. Emery, Oscar W. Joy, Theodore C. Davis, W. Howard Larrabee, Roy T. Emery, William J. Bradley, Marvin G. Casey, Leo J. King, Weston C. Boothby, Charles H. Fairweather.



LINEMEN

Members of a recent class for Linemen held in Portland were, on pole, left to right: Esley P. Harley, Roy E. Parker, Preston H. Mosher, Milton L.

Clements. On ground: John P. Fontaine, Alphonse L. Boissonneau, Instructor; Wilfred A. Bowker, Kenneth C. Pennell, Connecting Company employees; Kendall P. Lord.

Plant Ratings

The following plant ratings have recently been granted: Lawrence F. Welch, Switchman, SxS; Carroll P. Williams, Line Foreman; Frederick D. Fulton, Installer-Repairman; Harris M. Elliott, Cable Splicer; Thomas J. Foley, Station Repairman, Class B and Class A; Nathan H. Sullivan, Jr., Cable Splicer; Frederick A. Sterling, Station Repairman, Class B and A.

Resigns

Jean Cronkhite of Portland Dial left the employ of the Company in April to join her family in Puerto Rico. The girls presented her a robe and slippers and send their best wishes with her to her new home. Her father, Col. Cronkhite, has just returned from France and has located in Puerto Rico.

Retired

Rinaldo A. L. Colby of the Maintenance Department, Augusta, recently retired at the completion of 33 years' service with our Company.

Willard R. Philbrick of the Construction Department, Bath, recently retired at the completion of 40 years' service with our Company.

Welcome

Louise Herbert, Brunswick Supervisor, has returned from San Rafael, Calif., where she has been employed for the past six months.

Newcomers to the Brunswick Office are Maud Giroux, Josephine Harp, Caroline Copp and Camielienne Morais.



"Connect me with information, please."



PLANT SCHOOLS

Members of a Linemen's school held recently in Portland included, standing, left to right: George F. Tremble, Edward W. Merrill, Alphonse L. Boissonneau, Instructor. Seated: Robert B. Cote, Lester F. Carlisle, Jr., Stanley

M. Whitney, Kenneth N. Clark, William J. Theriault, John J. Mynahan. Second picture, attending a drop wire and installation school held in Portland were, seated, left to right: Raymond C. Patterson, Norman G. Furrow, Herbert A. Weir. Standing: Paul A. Sawyer, Instructor; Lorenzo W. Tate, Lawrence E. Shaw, Henry R. Lyon, John F. Haley, William L. Libby, Frederick M. Neuts.



MOTION PICTURES

Portland Business Office employees who recently attended a showing of four motion pictures concerning the telephone business were, first picture, seated: Louise Lamson, Betty Stanley, Supervisor; Priscilla Bunker, Jacqueline Poulin, Mary Conant, Susanna Henderson, Phyllis Rounds, Dorothy Lee. Standing, left to right: Clara Briggs, Wanda Moytl, Gertrude Gallagher, Division

Training Supervisor; Marguerite Joyce, Division Instructor; Joan Cleveland; J. J. Carver, District Manager; E. H. Shaw, Manager; Betty Malia, Patricia Benoit, Dorothy Milliken, Helen Fox, Cecilia Albert. Second picture, seated, left to right: Frances Reardon, Phyllis Ready, Priscilla Bunker, Mary Flaherty, Elizabeth Thuotte, Supervisor; Madeline Hanson, Supervisor; Frances Flaherty, Mary Clancy, Lillian McFee, Dorothy Milliken.



INSTRUCTORS TRAIN

Attending two recent training courses for Instructors held in Portland were, first picture, standing, left to right: Weston C. Boothby, Paul A. Sawyer, Instructor; James Dineen. Seated: Wilfred J. Gallant, Earl B. Smith, Carroll

P. Williams, George A. Gardenier, Jasper A. Strout, A. Ernest Smith, Leonard D. Cash. Second picture, standing: J. Willard Richardson, Division Training Supervisor; Orville J. Edes, Paul A. Sawyer, Instructor; Frank E. McIntosh. Seated: Wendall S. Boston, Charles H. Fairweather, Joseph E. Hartnett, Charles Keith, Donald J. Hinds, Howard T. Stackpole, Ralph F. Bailey.



PORTLAND PLANT

Members of a recent Linemen's class held at Portland were Harold T. Stanton, Jr., on pole. Kneeling: Herbert E. Duffield. Standing: Harold A. Rowe, Jr., Milton V. Rollins, Jr., Edmund H. Michaud, Alphonse L. Boissonneau, Instructor; Charles G. Dunn, Donald G. Parsons, Nelson E. Walker.



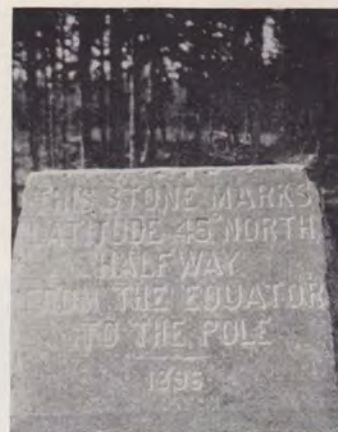
Portland Transfers

H. Eugene Rideout was recently transferred from Construction Planner to Claim Agent.

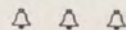
Edward L. Cook, Records Supervisor, transferred to Construction Planner.

Carlyle H. Lavigne, Staff Assistant, Personnel, transferred to Engineering Department.

Lawrence D. Barnes, Switchman at Portland, transferred to Brattleboro, Vt., in the Western Division.



George H. Harriman, Line Foreman, and crew have recently been working on lines way down East, transferring from old to new poles on Toll Section 258. According to the stone monument near where they were working, George says he doesn't expect to reach the pole before late fall. Members of the crew are: Charles K. Jordon, Lawrence L. Collins, Ralph H. Moon and Percy T. Tracy.



PLANT SCHOOL

Attending a school for Facilities Assigners held recently in the Plant Department at Portland were, standing, left to right: Richard L. Main, Vernon L. Carter, Leonard M.

Belisle, Ralph J. Corrigan, Will R. Havey, Malcolm E. Williams, Roger B. Trask, Philip J. Murphy and George W. Gunn, Instructor. Seated, left to right: Paul D. Stimpson, Calvin A. Sherman, Jr., Donald M. Kalloch, John R. Livingston and Francis W. Shaboski.



ANNIVERSARY PRESENTATION

A group of Eastern Division Plant men gathered recently when Curtis S. Irving, District Construction Supervisor, Portland, was presented his 25th anniversary pin. Left to right: H. Eugene Rideout, Edward L. Cook, Mr. Irving, Harold E. Alexander, John M. Baker, Jr., John M. Welch, Martin J. Cash, Raymond C. Connolly.



David E. Barker, recently returned from military leave of absence, has been appointed Supervising Assistant in Eastern Commercial.



PLANT CLASSES

Members of a class for Linemen held recently in Portland were, first picture, on poles: Alfred Krumen, Colby W. Crabtree, Linwood W. Elliott, Millard G. Ordway. On ground: Alphonse L. Boissonneau, Instructor; Merle E. Bowden,



Amedeo Miniutti, Jr. Second picture, attending a Pole Inspector's school were, left to right: W. Lorimer Dresser, Instructor; Francis D. Shumaker, Clayton W. Abbott, S. Kenneth Greeley, G. Arthur Dowe, John W. Fitz, Philip D. Mason, Joseph L. Huse.

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CHOATE RETIRES

George F. Choate, Testman at the Quincy Office, was honored by over 200 friends and co-workers who gathered at the Morrisette Post, American Legion, Quincy, to celebrate on the eve of his retirement after nearly 46 years' service. Following the testimonial dinner, toastmaster Eben F. Hersey introduced the speakers. Mr.

Choate was the recipient of a purse of money on behalf of the gathering. Entertainment and dancing followed to the accompaniment of Eddie McLaughlin's orchestra. Left to right: J. Freeman Hyland, William W. MacDonald, John F. Harkin, Arthur A. Young, Mr. Choate, Mrs. Bramhall, Otis Bramhall, Dorothy Brewer, Grace Wile and Eben F. Hersey.



ACCOUNTING COMMUNION BREAKFAST

Committee in charge above, of the Communion Breakfast attended by 150 members of the Revenue Accounting Office at Watertown. The Mass was celebrated at the Our Lady of Victory Chapel, Boston, followed by breakfast served at the Hotel

Touraine. The guest speaker, Rev. Anthony Flaherty of Somerville, was introduced by John J. O'Brien, Supervisor of Reports and Results. Seated, left to right: Peggy Donnelly, Mary O'Keefe, Ann Arrigal. Standing: Rose Finocchio, Helen Lee, Mary Frisoli, Lorraine Hall and Helen Halloran.



35TH ANNIVERSARY

Harry L. Dunbar of the Division Plant Engineer's force was honored at a luncheon by his associates in the Records Group on the occasion of his 35th service anniversary at the Union Oyster House recently. Left to right, seated:

Fred Tobin, Hannah Cummings, Josephine Moynihan. Standing: Helen Hentz, Mary McCarron, Marie Parsons (not showing), Camille Fini, Joe Fay and Jerry Murphy. Seated: Anna Dolan, Mary Sheehan, Catherine Flaherty, Mr. Dunbar, Harold Dicker and Mae Garfink.



RETIRES

Herbert R. Lincoln, Metropolitan Plant and formerly of the Traffic Department, was the honored guest of some 75 of his friends and former associates at the Boston Yacht Club recently after completing 47 years'

service. Seated: Howard Goff, Mr. Lincoln, C. Thomas Lynch, Justin E. Dunbar. Standing: Charles O'Connor, Ralph E. Smith, Merrill H. Field, William J. Jelley, Ralph Y. Scott, Leo W. Twombly, W. A. Copeland, Cap Beldon.

Marriage

Helen Collins, Parkway Traffic, recently married to John Robertson, was given a purse of money from her associates in the office.

Welcome

Helen E. Wirtz, Margaret A. Fagan and Catherine M. Ferriter have just returned to Quincy Traffic from California after an absence of a year.

Newcomers

Hingham Traffic welcomes Ruth Illsley, Tilda Allegia and Barbara Flaherty to the office force.

Newcomers

Wellesley Traffic is welcoming newcomers Dorothy Murphy, Frances Marie Pearl, Phyllis M. Collins, Lillian M. Maugher, Mary J. Gleason, Barbara A. Howe, Rosella Donahue and Jean M. Stockbridge.

Welcome

Theresa H. Riley and Josephine M. Larnon have returned to the Braintree Traffic Office after a six months' absence where they have been working for the Pacific Telephone Company.

Promotion

Helen E. Costa, Braintree Traffic, has been promoted from Jr. Supervisor to Supervisor.

Engagement

Mrs. Herbert Eno announces the engagement of her daughter, Florence O. Eno, Braintree Traffic Supervisor and *Topics* reporter, to Francis L. O'Toole, Cable Splicer with the Company.

Newcomers

Arlington Traffic welcomes the following newcomers to the office: Caroline Celesti, Agnes M. Hegarty, Helen A. Hegarty, Eileen F. Walker, June E. Walker, Lois Mortensen, Helen Gregory, Marjorie Brandin, Mary Fitzpatrick and Mary E. Manning.

Welcome Back

After working at the Waltham Regional Hospital, Dorothy Elliot, Mildred L. Maguire and Catherine M. Spellman have returned to the Waltham Traffic Office. Welcome home, girls.

Newcomers

Among the newcomers welcomed to the East Boston Office recently are: Shirley A. Babin, Noreen Maguire, Margaret F. Johnson, Patricia A. Thornton and Catherine F. Wood.

Welcome

Mary Silvestri and Doris A. Smith received a most cordial welcome on their return to the Aspinwall Traffic Office on their recent return from California.

Newcomers

Reading Traffic girls extended a hearty welcome to Katherine A. Geary and Margarite E. Regione, newcomers to the office.

Promotions

Gertrude Keefe has recently been promoted from Chief Operator, Waltham Regional Hospital PBX, to Chief Operator at the State House PBX.

Helen K. O'Grady has been promoted from Supervisor to Central Office Instructor, Waltham Traffic.

Engagement

Evelyn M. Chisholm, Waltham Traffic, recently announced her engagement to John D. Toomey of Waltham.

Welcome Home

East Boston Traffic welcomes home two girls back from California, Agnes M. Cadigan and Claire M. Burns. On their return trip the girls toured the United States.



40TH ANNIVERSARY

District Plant Engineer Harold F. Reed congratulates William B. Victorino after presenting the two-

diamond pin symbolic of 40 years' service while his office associates look on. Left to right: Frank Jones, Mr. Reed, Mr. Victorino and George F. Baldwin.



SHOWER AT CAIN'S

At Cain's, North Weymouth, a shower was held for Marjorie A. Boudreau, Weymouth Traffic Office, in honor of her marriage to Alexander Catto of Quincy. Marjorie was presented a basket of flowers and greenbacks. Those present were, seated: Mary R. O'Leary, Christine Knoll, Rita Sweatt, Pauline M. Upton, Miss Boudreau, Mary

E. McNulty, Mabel F. Webb, Ruth Rhodes, Priscilla Peterson, Eunice Buckley, Dorothy Schromm, Ann Vartanen, Helen F. O'Connor. Standing: Norma A. Farrell, Marguerite Schaeztl, Helen F. Mulligan, Catherine M. Gill, Edith E. House, Rita M. Kelley, Mary A. Mulligan, Eleanor A. Foley, Doris Barbadora, Abbie F. Garrity, Marjorie Casna, May J. O'Brien, Pauline McFarlane, Jacquelin Evans, Margaret O'Leary and Mary G. Raymond.



TELEPHONE STAMP CLUB

The first meeting of the Boston Air Mail Society and the Bell Telephone Stamp Club was held on March 25 in Room 203, 8 Harrison Avenue, Boston, with an attendance of 20, including members who came from as far as Providence. The club has a membership of 48 and is well on its way toward its objective of 100 members. Speaker of the evening was George H. Kieley, Superintendent of Air Mail of Boston (extreme left above), who exhibited some outstanding air mail material and lectured on the "Evolution of Air Mail" with examples of the different periods from 1870 to date. Speaker at the second meeting of the club, held on April 29 and attended by 30 men and women, was Arthur B. Jackson of Southern Plant, who exhibited a

representative collection of both United States 19th and 20th century issues, with special cover items. Guests at this meeting were members of the Cushing Hospital Stamp Club, headed by their president, Lt. Gendreau, and escorted by Betty Sullivan of the American Red Cross. Each of the guests received a gift of cigarettes and a block of mint U. S. commemorative stamps from the president of the Bell Telephone Stamp Club, Laura J. Levesque. The next meeting of the club will be June 10 at 8 Harrison Avenue at 7:30 p.m. The exhibition and talk will be given by Miss Levesque on First Flights—Air Mail Covers Around the World including Pioneers, Graf Zeppelins, Transatlantic and Pacific Flights. Everyone is welcome. Come and bring another stamp enthusiast.

Metropolitan Commercial

The Servicing Department welcomes Joseph Cummings, Marcus Fleischer, Arthur McTague and Herbert Wiesner who have recently joined that group from the various business offices in the Metropolitan Division.

The group also welcomes Arthur Kenison who was transferred from the Eastern Division.

The group is happy to announce that Esther Berkeley, Staff Clerk, is now back at her desk after three months' illness.

Infantidings

Joseph Carven, Customers' Representative, is receiving congratulations on the birth of his fourth child, a daughter.

Engagements

Recent engagements announced in the Everett Traffic Office are:

Louise Spacer to Frank Capanzano of Everett; Mary Doherty to John Crawford of Chelsea; Helen Fields to Joseph Hurley of Everett.

Advertisements

Employees, both active and retired, wishing to advertise anything for sale, rent or exchange, may do so in *Telephone Topics* without charge.

WANTED

THREE or FOUR room apartment in Woburn or Winchester by ex-serviceman and wife. Call WOBurn 1838 or HANcock 0908.

GOLF CLUBS, men's steel shaft clubs. Call West 7312W, Providence.

U. S. COINS of all types. K. A. Stuart, 213 Shaw Street, Lowell. Call Lowell 2-0902.

SINGLE HOUSE, preferably on North Shore, for veteran Company employee. Call OCEan 2525 evenings.

APARTMENT, 3 or 4 rooms, in Metropolitan Boston. Call COLumbia 5626.

CANCELLED STAMPS both foreign and domestic. Maurice Goldsmith, 520 East 136th Street, Bronx, N. Y., Apt. 5.

4 to 6 ROOM home within commuting distance of Boston wanted by ex-marine, his wife, and two-year-old daughter. Call collect Mrs. Hurd, Pittsfield, N. H., 59-4.

FOR SALE

HAYNES C flute, closed G sharp, good condition, reasonable. Write or call Doris Stearns, Westbrook, Me., Chief Operator.

VICTOR cabinet type radio in good condition. \$50.00. Call WATertown 3409.

CHOICE LOTS in Norton Grove, near the main road and near the lake. Reasonable prices. Call J. R. Ferguson, Norton 7, ring 13.

3 ROOM completely furnished cottage in Andover, N. H., electricity, boat, plenty of frontage. Will sell for \$1,500, or will rent for the season. Call afternoons BEAcon 0799.

TELEPHONE COMPANY with over 500 stations. Plant in fine condition. Pressure of other business reason for selling. Contact Donald C. Chandler, New Gloucester, Me.

FOR RENT

OAK BLUFFS, Mass., the ideal spot for vacation. Write or call Gladys McDonough. "The Gladys," 46 Narragansett Avenue, Oak Bluffs, Mass.

HAMPTON BEACH, N. H., rooms for rent at the "Starlight." Write Mrs. R. F. LeClair, F Street, Hampton Beach, N. H. Telephone 392.

COTTAGE at Fieldston with all conveniences. Available month of June at \$30.00 per week, week of August 25 through Labor Day for \$45.00. Call DEDham 2747.

MODERN ROOMS at the Buzz Bomb on the lake front. Telephone Weirs 2761. Bruce and Jackie Koehler, proprietors, Box 126, Weirs N. H.



DIAMOND RETIRES

After more than 32 years of service, John J. Diamond of the Supply Department, Watertown, retired on May 10. Jack is a well-known figure in the Company as his duties have car-

ried him to every section. Shown above is a group of his fellow associates who gathered around as Superintendent of Supplies J. A. Kelley made the presentation of a gift of money with the best wishes of the entire Supply Department.



PARTY AT BLINSTRUB'S

Loretta Rafferty was given a surprise bridal shower at Blinstrub's Village by this group of Highland Traffic associ-

ates pictured above in honor of her marriage to Gustave Elvin, which took place at St. Joseph's Church, Roxbury. Loretta was presented a corsage and a purse of money.



TRANSFER PARTY

At Blinstrub's Village Myrtle M. Long was guest of honor at a dinner party held in honor of her recent transfer to the PBX Dept. Myrtle was the recipient of a wrist watch, a gift from her former associates at Arling-

ton Traffic. Seated, left to right: Josephine M. Desmond, Kathleen R. Smith, Myrtle M. Long, Lucia Caseau, Mary E. Powers. Standing: Alice G. Ryan, Josephine M. Doyle, Mary A. Hurley, Adelaide M. McCarthy and Annie Corcoran.



LEARNING HOW

A group of new Installers learning how to make out Time Sheets as part of their regular course which was recently conducted at the Metropolitan Division Plant School, 245 State Street, Boston. Back: Francis J. St. Peter, Joseph G. Sullivan, Irving R. Wellman and George A. Woodard. Middle row: Jim A. Hancock, Arthur F. Kelley and Edward F. Slaman. Front: Robert F.



BRIDAL SHOWER

Mary R. Kelly, Kenmore Traffic, was guest at a dinner party held at the Music Box in honor of her recent marriage to Thomas Griffin, which took place in Revere. Mary was presented a corsage and a purse of money, gifts from her associates.

Among those present were: Katherine Kelleher, Margaret M. Langey, Marie James, Catherine F. Toomey, Mary C. Liddell, Mary Sherlock, Helen Ganey, Mrs. John Fraine, Dorothy C. May, Mary M. Molley, Mary R. Kelly, Rita C. Mahoney and Frances Bryne.

Infantidings

Mr. and Mrs. Walter O'Malley are the proud parents of a baby daughter, Betty Ann, born recently. Mrs. O'Malley was the former Gertrude Soddors of the Everett Traffic Office.

Promotions

Two new appointments from Operator to Junior Supervisor at Kenmore Traffic are those of Margaret Mathieu and Eleanor Wickham.

Newcomers

Quincy Traffic extends a welcome to newcomers Agnes Hartel and Irene Prime.

Engagements

Hingham Traffic girls who have recently announced their engagements: Dorothy A. Snell to Edward O'Brien of Rockland; Ellen E. Murphy to Francis Wells of Cohasset; Loretta Galluzzo to Louis Peters of Connecticut; Mary Thompson to Lee Shea of Connecticut; Phyllis Dumas to Joseph Caulfield of Quincy.

Newcomers

Kenmore Traffic welcomes Geraldine R. Walsh, Elizabeth M. Mayhew, Virginia C. Oberton, Elizabeth Slater, Barbara Curley, Teresa Hurley and Carolyn H. Pecorara.

In Memoriam

WALTER E. ELY, Plant Department, Springfield. Died April 21.

MARIE FENNEL, Traffic Department, Boston. Died April 12.

WILLIAM D. HUBBARD, formerly of the Plant Department, Dorchester. Died April 14.

ALFRED A. LAVOIE, Plant Department, Lowell. Died April 18.

JOHN J. McDERMOTT, formerly of the Plant Department, Boston. Died April 16.

GENEVA G. McLAUGHLIN, formerly of the Traffic Department, Natick. Died May 5.

MAURICE E. O'DONNELL, Plant Department, St. Albans, Vt. Died April 19.

FRANK O'SHEA, formerly of the Equipment Installation Department, Boston. Died May 3.

WINIFRED L. SHAW, formerly of the Commercial Department, Portland, Me. Died April 19.

WILLIAM H. STURK, formerly of the Plant Department, Bar Harbor, Me. Died April 24.



Abbott, Frank K. Densmore, William L. Dunphy and David A. Gunville. Standing: Instructor William J. Beecy. In the second picture are new Installers learning to connect various classes of telephone service. Left to right: Joseph L. Hansis, John N. Haskell, Jr., Edward F. Jellison, Gerard J. Quinn, Bernard E. McCabe, William F. Rich, Instructors Andrew J. Crotty and John A. Farrell, Paul D. Keefe, Francis J. Duponte, John P. Downey and John V. Dole, Jr.



SHOWER

Isabel Hess, Ocean Traffic Operator, was the guest of honor at a shower held at the Veterans of Foreign Wars Hall in Winthrop by her friends in the office, pictured above.

Many beautiful gifts were presented to Isabel by her associates. Isabel became the bride of Francis Flintoff on May 5. After a honeymoon trip to New York and Canada the couple will make their home in Winthrop.



The Melrose Traffic girls presented Margaret Hunt a purse of money after an evening of entertainment recently. Peggy has been transferred to Miami, Fla., where she will make her home with her father.

Welcome Home

Hingham Traffic welcomes Phyllis Dumas, who has recently returned to the office from military service. Phyllis was in the WAVES.

Returned from Service

A hearty welcome is extended to Helen A. Gordon, Marion C. Higgins, Mary F. Cannon and Florence B. Travers who have recently returned to Roxbury Information from military service. Helen and Marion served in the Marines, Mary in the WAVES and Florence in the SPARS.

Transferred

Roxbury Information Traffic extends best wishes in their new assignments to Anna F. Burke, Anne E. O'Brien and Marie Fitzgerald who have recently been transferred to the Division Traffic Engineer's Office.

Newcomers

Weymouth Traffic extends a hearty welcome to the following new members of their force: Mary Z. Curtin, Lois A. McCullough, Elizabeth A. Abbruzzese, Barbara F. Bragole, Marjorie P. Casna, Abbie M. Garrity, Doris M. Read, Barbara Thornton, Edith Levangie, Elizabeth McCarthy, Marie Abbruzzese, Lois Aberdeen, Catherine D. Berchenmore, Martha Corey, Helen T. McLaughlin and Grace Sullivan.



SHOWER

Edna Montgomery of the Metropolitan Revenue Accounting Office at Watertown was honored by her associates

at a party held at Blinstrub's prior to her marriage. Edna was married on May 5 to Bugard Ezell and is now residing in New Orleans, La.



SHOWER AT STORK CLUB

A surprise bridal shower was held at the Stork Club recently for Mary E. Lee by her friends in Capitol Traffic, at which time Mary received a purse of money and many other useful gifts. Seated at table, on the left: Elizabeth Mahoney, Margaret Maloney, Irma Delfonso, Ruth A. Griffin, Helen E. Burke, Eileen Jackson, Alice M. Rogan, Mary H.

Swanson, Mildred A. Carney, Anna G. Ryan, Helen M. Murray, Margaret Connell, Mary Crehan. Table at right: Kathleen Kent, Helen Burns, Catherine A. Broderick, Anna McClafferty, Helen O'Keefe, Ann M. Flavin, Rene Twomey, Mary Hartigan, Katherine Doherty, Elizabeth Aylward, Adele Flaherty, Alice Spencer, Beatrice Acone, Eleanor Manse. Standing: Helen Newell, Mary L. Colbert, Theresa Lee, Mary E. Lee and Cecilia Lee.



COMMERCIAL CLASS

Attending a recent Commercial Representative class at 245 State Street were, first picture, left to right: Wilfred G. Walton, Timothy F. Linehan,



Marion L. Tompkinson, Instructor; John S. B. Sullivan, Jr., and John J. Conery. Attending a recent Service Representative class at 245 State Street were, second picture, left to right: Joan Mosher, Lillian O'Hara, Eileen Ryan, Muriel Hynes, Marie White and Florence Donovan, Instructor.



WEDDING

Zerline Anderson of the Metropolitan Disbursement Accounting Office resigned recently to become the bride of C.P.O. Glynn Clements of South

Boston. A shower was tendered Zerline at the Steuben Restaurant by her associates. She received many gifts, in addition to a sum of money from the Met-Acco Club.



WELCOME NEWCOMERS

This group of new operators are welcomed by the Woburn Traffic girls. They are, seated: Marion T. McCarthy,

Katherine T. Cullen, Elizabeth Keller. Standing: Dorothy M. Shane, Margaret T. Mullen, Olive G. Fossey, Natalie Abreau.

Newcomers

Parkway Traffic welcomes newcomers Teresa M. King, Marguerite A. O'Brien, Elinor T. Walsh, Elizabeth Savine, Gertrude O'Hare, Teresa Breslin, Mary A. McEachern, Rita M. Norton, Catherine G. Ward, Esther A. Dwyer, Margaret McCarthy, Pearl Johnson, Catherine M. Wallace.

Engagements

Announcements of the following Weymouth Traffic Office engagements have been recently made: Alvera DeGravio to John Guidici, East Weymouth; Eleanor Ames to George U. Gravaza of Quincy; Doris Barbardora to John Sinickek of Pennsylvania; Mary J. O'Brien to Samuel Brazil of Alabama.

Welcome

Roxbury Information Traffic girls welcome Richard F. Cronin, their former Traffic Manager, who has returned to them from the Winchester Unit.

Newcomers

Braintree Traffic welcomes the following girls recently added to the force: Mary V. Clark, Bernice Murray, Doris V. Bersani, Claire Moison.

Welcome Home

Roxbury Information Traffic welcomes the return of the following girls who have been transferred back from California: Lillian F. Eldridge, Mary C. Cahill, Catherine T. Connelly, Barbara O'Connor, Catherine E. Burns, Anne M. Griffin, Theresa K. Hawkins, Florence C. Hogan.

Commendation

The Owl Club of Harvard University recently held a dinner in celebration of the Club's fiftieth anniversary. The feature of the dinner was a call from Honolulu where several of the Club's prominent members are located. Two loud speakers were installed to insure the 250 members gathered in Cambridge to hear not only their absent members talking to them and wishing them "Aloha," but also Hawaiian music transmitted directly from the islands.

Ralph Longfellow of Metropolitan Commercial handled the details of the call and during the call he was assisted by Herbert Ellison, also of Commercial and Charles Donahue of Plant.

Ralph recently received the following letter from Robert Jenney commending him on the excellent reception of the call.

"Dear Mr. Longfellow,

"I have been asked by the members of the Owl Club of Harvard University to express their appreciation to both you and the Telephone Company for the excellent job you did in arranging for the amplification of the telephone call from Honolulu on Saturday evening, May 4th. The reception of the call was excellent and exceeded our fondest expectations.

"The call enabled us to reunite members of the Club who were unable to attend the Fiftieth Reunion Dinner because of the great distance involved. The Hawaiian music came through very clearly, and the voices were distinct and recognizable.

"This unique feature 'phone call was the highlight of the evening, and the Telephone Company has received many compliments on being able to provide this service. You took a personal interest in making arrangements for this call, which we are sure did much to ensure its success."

Newcomers

The following newcomers are cordially welcomed to Roxbury Information: Jane E. Buckley, Jean Lynch, Jean M. Griffin, Jean C. Marino, Frances T. Kelley, Katherine Shaughnessey, Frances E. Smith, Lillian M. Catherwood, Kathleen R. Connolly, Helen E. Tunney.



PLANT CLASS

Boston Toll Office Repairmen attended the Metropolitan Division Plant School, 245 State Street, Boston, Mass., to

learn crossbar switch adjustments. Left to right: Instructor James C. Collins, John F. Shaughnessey, Arthur I. Carey, Alfred C. Galdi and Frederick J. Pearce.



CROSSBAR DIAL TRAINING

The men selected for the Dorchester-Roxbury Crossbar Dial came from Panel Dial Central Offices. The course, in addition to crossbar relay adjustments, covers circuit tracings of inter and intraoffice calls. First picture, left to



right: Instructor James C. Collins, Charles F. Healey, Eugene W. Murphy, Henry E. Ritchie, Justin J. Driscoll, Edward C. Glynn and Lawrence E. Southwood. Second picture, left to right: John M. Morrissey, John W. Hassett, Edward B. Lynch, Daniel W. McElaney, Instructor Francis J. Collins, William E. Donovan and Edward F. Dolan.



TRANSFER

Mary M. Sutherland, Installation Clerk at Cambridge, was recently transferred to the new Quincy area. Mary was presented a gift and best

wishes from her friends and associates. Left to right: William J. Greene, Supervising Line Assigner; Miss Sutherland; Frank E. Hudson, Acting District Plant Superintendent; John H. Gallagher, Installation Supervisor.

Bridal Shower

A shower was held for Grace Gillespie in honor of her approaching marriage to Christopher Murphy, who is employed by the Company at Newport, R. I. The Melrose Traffic girls presented Grace a purse of money, a corsage and a bouquet of flowers.

Thanks

From American Red Cross Office of the Field Director Service in Veterans Hospital West Roxbury 32, Mass.

May 10, 1946.

Miss Laura J. Levesque
Supervisor of Personnel Activities
and Hobbies

New England Tel. & Tel. Co.
8 Harrison Ave., Boston, Mass.

Dear Miss Levesque:

We wish to sincerely thank you for the wonderful assortment of scrapbooks you sent us recently, which were made by the Telephone employees.

The men enjoy them very much and we are using them as birthday gifts for them. I thought you would like to know how we are using them and also know that they are being enjoyed very much.

Very truly yours,

MARY J. McDONOUGH,
Field Director.

Accounting Engagements

The following Revenue Accounting girls at Watertown are receiving the best wishes of their friends upon the recent announcement of their engagements: Marie Sutton of the Entry Unit to Robert Mann of Somerville; Edna Fox of the Service Order Unit to Francis Clifford of Allston; and Ruth McMahon of the Entry Unit to Frank Judge of the Plant Department.

Welcomed Back

The Accounting force at Watertown welcomes Evelyn Voutour upon her return to the office after serving three years with the WAVES.

Welcome

The Revenue Accounting office at Watertown welcomes the following girls: Emily Walker, Marietta Hart, Virginia Corcoran, Kathleen Johnson, Helen Morris, Margaret Sullivan, Katherine Kinneen, Carol Tagan, Margaret McGough, Shirley Greer, Geraldine Wanko, Winifred Torpey, Eileen M. Donahue, Lorraine Burns, Theresa Michaud, Louise Mock, Barbara Whalen, Margaret White, Mary O'Brien and Alice Quinlivan.

Newcomers

Waltham Traffic Office welcomes the following newcomers to the office: Virginia M. Harris, Margaret M. Coffey, Barbara A. White, Jeanette C. True, Mary A. Evaska, Angela M. Bryson, Eileen C. Deveaux, Gloria M. Romard, A. Mildred Blanchard, Frances O. Angelico, Irene M. LaCroix, Margaret R. MacPherson, Charlene M. Gesner, Gwendolyn Kelly, Mary E. Gregory, Florence G. Melansen.

Newcomers

A cordial welcome is extended to newcomers Joan Ford, Grace A. McHugh, Phyllis A. Rayner, Anne Speight and Josephine A. Bramote to the Aspinwall Traffic Office.

Shower

Mary E. St. John, East Boston Traffic, received a treasure chest filled with money from her friends in the office at Steuben's Vienna Room. Mary became the bride of former Sgt. Frank Kincaid on May 5.



DOUBLE SHOWER

A double shower was held by the girls in C.L.R. Unit No. 2, Boston Toll Traffic, for Helen Gaughan and Margaret Rothwell, both recent brides. Each girl received a purse of money from her associates. Those present were: Miss Gaughan, Florence M. Quinn, Helen Upperman, Florence Moulis, Lillian M. Logan, Mary I. Jenkins, Rosalie Cerrulo,

Virginia Myles, Lorraine Martin, Dorothy A. Cusick, Mary McInnes, Elizabeth E. Brille, Mary F. Grande, Helen Colpetts, Miss Rothwell, Patricia M. Doherty, Katherine A. O'Neill, Ruth F. Witham, Mildred Conway, Gertrude A. Lyons, Ruth McMorrow, Marion Nickerson, Mary Kelleher, Mary V. Sullivan, Agnes M. Walsh, Helen F. Cunningham and Mary I. Joyce.



INSTALLERS

A group of Installers starting the first day of a three-week course at the Metropolitan Division Plant School, 245 State Street, Boston. Back row: Robert V. O'Brien, Bradford W. Parker and Robert J. Troy. Middle row: Joseph T. Fitzmaurice, Leonard Jellis, Jr., Frank A. Leonard and Edward J. McManus. Front row: Edward F. Bradley, John W. Carey, Joseph E. Dow,

Gerard J. Edwards, Instructor Andrew J. Crotty. In the second picture: Station Installers learning the proper method of cording telephone stands. Back row: Antonio Pasciscia, John Souza, Jr., Joseph W. Tucker and Edward F. Ward. Middle row: Ralph M. Fuller, George P. Hanscom, Bertel V. Koed and John A. Ornell. Front row: Robert M. Barber, Harvey F. Dyer, Edmond W. Fillion, Francis X. Flaherty, Instructor John A. Farrell.



NEWCOMERS

Braintree Traffic welcomes the following newcomers to the force. Seated, left to right: Annette J. Savard, Elaine M. Jones, Mary C. Pearce,

Yolanda Ralto, Pauline F. Drils, Barbara B. Lebmann. Standing: Olga Mattson, Velma J. Delory, Instructor Jean McGregor, Geraldine E. Bickford, Florence O. Eno, Instructor.



TRANSFER PARTY

At the Hotel Essex a group of fellow workers gathered to honor John V. Forrest on the occasion of his transfer to the Equipment Engineering force. Jack was presented a pen and pencil set by Frank C. Field,

Acting Floor Switchman at the Aspinwall exchange. In the photograph, front row: Arthur L. Doyle, Mr. Field, Mr. Forrest, Wesley T. Gardner. Back row: Martin J. Whelen, Jr., John J. Regan, John J. O'Brien, William Coughlin.



MISCELLANEOUS SHOWER

The Everett Traffic girls held a miscellaneous shower for Grace E. Sullivan at her home in honor of her marriage to Thomas S. Harton of Baltimore, Md. Those present were: Marita G. Murphy, Evelyn Down-

ing, Mary McCourt, Helen Phelan, Marion A. Moran, Agnes Phelan, Eleanor L. Horgan, Miss Sullivan, Frances H. Cummings, Ann E. Keefe, Anna M. Emmert, Mae K. Falvey, Stella M. Hopps, Katherine F. Flynn, Anna E. Jordan and Anna C. Higgins.

Up come the statisticians with the interesting fact that the average person takes some 18,098 steps a day . . . a day, mind you! Have you checked on your shoes and given yourself a pedicure lately?

Stamp clubs are being organized in several veterans' hospitals for the benefit of the collectors and would-be collectors who are patients there. An appeal has been made for donations of U. S. and foreign, used and minted stamps to enlarge the collections of the new club members. Let's all get behind this drive and send any stamp material we can find to

Laura J. Levesque
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Jordan Marsh Company Cutover

To provide a speedier and more efficient telephone service for its customers and employees the Jordan Marsh Company recently had its manual communications system replaced by a semi-automatic dial switchboard.

On Friday, May 10, at 6 P.M., telephone employees associated with the cutover were served sandwiches and coffee in the Grill Room. The cutover to the new dial PBX followed with Laura White, Chief Operator, cutting the first wire in the old cable.

Seven positions of the 701-A type PBX have now replaced 12 positions of the 600C type PBX which has been in operation almost twenty years.

Instrumental in this installation were the following employees: Commercial, Clarence Clapp; Traffic Engineer William Flynn; Plant Engineer Karl Bowers; C.O.E.I. Group, Charles Hannon, Henry Kersting, James Britton, Bradford Mahoney, William Curran, James Armstrong, Jr., Wadleigh Phillips, George Boyle, John Hendricks, George Cashman, Robert Kelley, Robert Harney; PBX Installation Group, Lawrence Cantwell, Edward Mowers, Edwin Davis, John Golden, William Buckley; Maintenance, Maurice Kiley, John Kelley, John Fowler, Thomas Carmody, Alexander McInnis, Edward Carlezon, Warren McManus, Mortimer Downey, Peter Ginsberg, George Harris; PBX Traffic, Ralph Smith, Mary O'Brien; Cable Group, James Eldridge and Robert MacNeil.



COMMERCIAL TRAINS

Attending a recent Service Representative class in Malden were, first picture, left to right: Ellen English, Theresa Cullen, Mary Corbett, Instructor. Miss English



has been assigned to Everett and Miss Cullen to Malden. Attending a recent Service Representative class in Roxbury, were, second picture, left to right: Anne Gilligan, Claire Ledwith and Rita Kearsay, Instructor.



DINNER PARTY AT STEUBEN'S

A dinner party was held recently at Steuben's Vienna Room for Louise M. Thompson, Roxbury Information Traffic, in honor of her approaching marriage, at which time she was presented a corsage and a purse of money. Seated, left to right: Marion C. Higgins, Elizabeth M. Tierney, Ruth

Martin, Mary T. O'Connell, Mary J. Carroll, Marguerite C. Marble, Margaret C. Curry, Corrinne E. Feeny, Marie C. Eager, Ruth G. Lyons, Ruth McCarthy, Mary Dillon, Patricia A. Rull, Anne E. Early, Helen C. Harvey, Dorothy Mitchell, Julia C. Rafferty, Louise M. Thompson, Rosanna O'Connell, Madeline M. O'Hara, Helen Gordon.



PRE-NUPTIAL SHOWER

A gala evening was had by all who attended a pre-nuptial shower for Catherine L. Curtin, Mystic Traffic, in honor of her approaching marriage to Timothy J. McCarthy. Catherine was presented a desk and chair, gifts for her new home. Those attending were,

seated: Verna Cavanaugh, Mary A. Mahoney, Timothy J. McCarthy, Catherine L. Curtin. Standing: Josephine M. Daly, Lillian G. Mills, Claire M. Downing, Alice McCarthy, Emily Ardini, Elizabeth A. Moriarty, Mary A. Scanlon, Norma O'Brien, Lillian G. Gallagher and Claire Toomey.

Only 12% of the men in America buy their own clothes. The other 88% have their wardrobes selected for them by women.

Promotions

Best wishes to Eileen M. Slattery, Margaret Schaeztl and Helen M. Malnati, Weymouth Traffic girls who have recently been promoted to Supervisors.

Congratulations to Gladys A. Elliott, Parkway Traffic, on her recent marriage to James Fleming, Jr.



TESTIMONIAL DINNER

A testimonial dinner was tendered Harry A. Hunt and James Barr upon their retirement. A gala evening was enjoyed by all at the Fidelia Hall, West Roxbury. Each of the honored guests was presented a \$100.00 Victory Bond by District Plant Superintendent Benjamin E. Malatesta.

John E. Barwise was toastmaster and the affair was arranged by Louise W. Hannon and Josephine R. Finnegan. First row: Raymond R. Forte, Mr. Malatesta, Harry A. Hunt, Mr. Barwise, Mr. Barr. Second row: Louise W. Hannon, John F. Rycroft, Eugene J. Bilodeau, Josephine R. Finnegan, James Barr, Jr., Margaret McHale, Gilbert Barr and Frank W. Ramsey.



"We'd like to train vets for our racket. How's about approval under dat G. I. Bill?"



PLANT ACCOUNTING COURSES

First picture—This is one of six groups of First Line Repair and Installation Supervisors who attended the Plant Accounting Appreciation course at the Metropolitan Division Plant School, 245 State Street, Boston. Left to right: Constantine J. McBride in the foreground and going left to right: Joseph J. Connolly, Peter Ginsberg, Frederick J. Viles, Ambrose J. Donohue, John T. Glennon, Instructor Walter E. Carroll, John G. Steenbruggen, Elmer E. Gould,



John S. Buckley, John D. MacDougall and John A. McNabb. Second picture—This is one of five groups of Central Office First Line Supervisors who attended the Plant Accounting Appreciation Course at the Metropolitan Division Plant School, 245 State Street, Boston. Left to right: Paul E. Pearce, William R. Powers, Joseph A. Rein, William W. Taylor, Thomas J. Williams, Francis A. O'Leary, Walter E. Carroll, Instructor; Bernard E. McTaggart, Stanley G. Bennett, Raymond D. Gorman, Harold W. Hennessey, Wallace Lennox, Charles J. McKenna and Henry A. McNealy.

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BOSSSES BOWL

The high five girls from the Southern Revenue Accounting bowling league challenged their bosses to a match recently at the Washington Alleys. Bowling were John P. Hyland, Her-

bert H. Farr, Robert Malloy, Ray D. Snow, Harry Bartlett, Barbara Dubuque, Mary Clancy, Theresa Colantonio, Mary Bucklin, Marion Lloyd. Barbara Dubuque took high three and the men won the match.



TELCO BOWLING LEAGUE

Champions in the Telco Bowling League, Providence, for the 1945-

1946 season were, seated: Harold I. Burdick, Samuel Mooney. Standing: Leo A. Lusignan, Anthony Libramento and William F. Hetherman.



FAREWELL

A farewell party was given for Ernest L. Shaffer, Traffic Manager, who has been transferred from Newport, R. I., to

the Providence District. The party was held at the La Forge Cottages and Mr. Shaffer was presented gifts by his friends.



"Swell lad! Always refers to me as good old 'gold brick!'"



PLANT CLASSES

First picture, members of a recent Installer-Repairmen's class held in Providence were, left to right: John J. Hanley, Norman Bilsky, Frank H. Fenner, Jr., Walter J. Ryan, Jr., Donald H. Smith, Chester S. Lyon, Instructor; Samuel



D. Bertram, Harris E. Pollock, Charles W. Reynolds, Edward F. Flynn, Harold W. Lester, Jr. Second picture, members of a Linemen's class held recently in Providence were, left to right: Norman Bilsky, Albert J. Carmody, William E. Foley, Harold W. Lester, John H. Norberg, Instructor; Frank H. Fenner, Jr., Edward F. Flynn, John A. Smith, John H. Gilholly.



JOHNSON-MacISAAC

Approximately 100 associates of Hazel Johnson and Alexander MacIsaac gathered at the Cabana Club in Norwood, R. I., to honor them on their recent transfers from East Greenwich to Providence and Pawtucket. Miss Johnson will report to the Division Commercial Training Supervisor as an Instructor and Mr. MacIsaac goes to Pawtucket as a Service Foreman. Gifts were presented

to both by the toastmaster, Arthur W. McGuinness, Wire Chief at Greenwich. Standing at the head table: Madeline M. Herlihy, Wire Chief's Clerk, Greenwich; John J. Honor, Division Plant Training Supervisor; Mrs. Morse; Edwin W. Ray, Manager, Greenwich; Miss Johnson; Mr. McGuinness; Mr. MacIsaac; Mrs. MacIsaac; Robert C. Morse, District Plant Superintendent; Joseph A. Phillips, Staff Assistant, C.O. Maintenance; John B. Carley.



TRAFFIC STUDENTS

Students recently trained in the Fall River Traffic Department were, left to right: Eileen Sullivan, Carol Kaylor.



SERVICE REP CLASS

Attending one of the Service Representative classes recently conducted

in the Southern Division were, left to right: Alice Davis, Wareham; Hazel Johnson, Instructor, and Dorothy Atkins, Wareham.

Bowling Dinner

Nine girls from the Southern Revenue Accounting Office recently had dinner at the Indian Room in the Narragansett Hotel. Those in attendance were Sophie D'Amore, Rita Papineau, Mary Clancy, Zelia Fontes, Marion Lloyd, Mary Bucklin, Barbara Dubuque, Lillian Gauvin and Ruth Babin.



25TH CELEBRATED

Julia F. Harris, Supervisor at the Stoughton Traffic Office, receives her 25th anniversary pin from Vincent P. Mathers, Traffic Superintendent at Brockton.



LINEMEN'S CLASS

Attending recent Linemen's classes in Providence were, first picture, seated, left to right: William E. Toomey, James R. Warburton, Walter H. Foster. Standing: Henry S. Hampson, Cortlandt Clarke, John H. Norberg, Instructor;

John F. Cullen and Walter E. Ray. Second picture, front row: Robert A. Creed, Edward F. Derosier, John H. Norberg, Instructor; Kenneth E. McNally. Back row: Francis J. Murphy, Raymond L. Murray, Jr., Walter J. Ryan, Jr., Donald Smith.



"Just tried that new vanishing cream you invented. I think you've got something."



TRAINING CLASSES

Service Representative training classes were held recently in the Southern Division. Attending two of these classes were, first picture, left to right: Anne McManus of Rockland, Janice Russell of Taunton, Instructor Kathleen

McCarville, June Belmore of Brockton and Beverly Cambridge of North Attleboro. Second picture, left to right: Mildred La Clair of Woonsocket, Dorothy Barker of Newport, Instructor Louise Fitzpatrick, Barbara Gregory and Thelma Drummond of Pawtucket.



PAWTUCKET ANNIVERSARY

Ada Tessier, Assistant Chief Operator at the Pawtucket Office, is shown receiving her 30th anniversary pin from Frederick T. Mills, District Traffic Superintendent, before a group of employees who gathered to greet her. Front row, left to right: Ethel Steere, Chief Operator, Genevieve Pakuc, Grace Dolan, Kathleen McCormick,

Madeline Whipple. Second row: Dorothy Pickett, Katherine Moody, Freida Dengal, Rita Kelly, Bertha Pyzik, Agnes Dolan, Eva Pereira, Miss Tessier and Mr. Mills. Third row: Bessie Hawkins, Pauline Provost, Helen Hague, Arlene Conlon, Cecile Lawrence, Ruth Sanderson, Paul Palmer, Traffic Manager; Elizabeth Greenwood.

NEWCOMERS

Girls recently welcomed to the New Bedford Commercial Office are, front row, left to right: Margaret Wilkinson, Service Order Writer; Cynthia Wilbur, Alice Stupalski, Service Representatives. Back row: Margery Tillman, Service Order Writer; Pauline Gaudreau, Teller.



Marriages

Muriel L. Anderson and Victor J. Smith were married recently at the Washington Park Methodist Episcopal Church in Providence, R. I.

Loretta C. Malone recently became the bride of Arthur T. Dux. The wedding took place in St. Michael's Church in Providence, R. I.

Both Muriel and Loretta were given showers of money by their associates in the Southern Revenue Accounting Office.

Engagements at Greenwood

Three Greenwood Operators have recently announced their engagements to ex-servicemen. Louise Clark is engaged to Chester Bedell of Jamaica, New York. Chester was a lieutenant in the army and was overseas for four years. Mary Kennedy has announced her engagement to Russell Day, a navy veteran, of Kennebec, Washington. Constance Matteson is engaged to Eugene Russey who was recently discharged from the Navy, of Cranston, Rhode Island.



LINEMEN'S TRAINING

Members of a Linemen's class recently held in Providence are, left to right: Franklin B. Adams, Thomas F.

Dunn, Gerald J. Holleran, George J. Halvorsen, Instructor; William T. Harding, Everett R. McLeod, Robert B. Reid, 3rd, and Joseph Shaughnessy.



ANNIVERSARY PARTY

Alice Charnley and A. Blanche Booth of Fall River, celebrating their 25th and 30th year anniversaries, were felicitated by co-workers and friends at Stone Bridge Inn, April 25. Miss Charnley received a gift of flat silverware

and Miss Booth a handbag. Jane Keefe, the Chief Operator, presented the gifts. Among the guests was Mrs. Alice Charnley. The affair was planned by Agnes Black, acting chairman of Social Committee, Angela Kirkman, secretary and treasurer.

The Fall River Traffic Department has elected as its Social Committee, seated: Mary C. Stapleton, chairman. Standing: Agnes Black, vice chairman; Angela C. Kirkman, treasurer and secretary.



TRAFFIC TRAINING

First picture, Pawtucket Traffic Supervisors in training recently were, left to right: Freida Dengal, Rita Kelley, Kathryn Moody, Instructor; Agnes Dolan. Second picture, Clerks in Pawtucket in training, left to right: Eileen Smith,

Gertrude Cinquars, Ellen Lennon, Instructor; Dorothy Lyons. Third picture, Pawtucket Operators in training recently were, seated: Ruth Sanderson, Elizabeth Greenwood, Instructors. Standing: Grace Dolan, Genevieve Pakuc, Madeline Whipple, Kathleen McCormick.



SURPRISE SHOWER

A surprise bridal shower for Mildred V. Fredrikson, Newport Commercial, was held recently at the home of Dorothy R. Hogan. Miss Fredrikson, who will be married in June to Jack Hollenbeck of Mt. Clair, N. J., received many gifts. Seated in front:

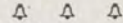
Edith Johnson and Dorothy Hogan. First row: Mrs. Rabatin, Georgiana Rabatin, Mildred Fredrikson, Violet Beausoleil, Ruth Donnelly, Dorothy Ellis, Mrs. Fredrikson. Standing: Emily Seeger, Clara Brown, Marjorie Harvey, Eleanor Popple, Dorothy Barker, Virginia Kirwin, Patricia Donnelly, Ruth Beattie and Eileen Higgins.

New Bedford Commercial

Barbara Winslow of the New Bedford Business Office was recently married to Richard Westrom of Mattapoisett. Shortly afterwards Barbara moved to Fort Wayne, Ind., where she is continuing her Service Representative work while her husband is attending the Indiana School of Mines.

The New Bedford Office is temporarily losing one of its tellers, Edith Bradwell. When she left on a several months' leave of absence, Edith was presented a gift by her associates.

Ruth E. Perry, Service Representative in New Bedford, recently announced her engagement to Albert Lucardi of the New Bedford Construction force.



"Triple thick bottoms" is a new term for housewives to know, and applies to Reynolds new lifetime cooking utensils, with bottoms more than three times as thick as the sides. Standing firm without tipping, lifetime utensils safeguard foods from catching and burning, but do a beautiful job of browning meats, for instance.



Gertrude Little and Mildred Lally were elected to represent the Toll Sorting Unit and Machine Billing Unit respectively in the Southern Revenue Accounting Association.

New Supervisors

During April a large group of supervisors was trained in Pawtucket. These new supervisors were trained by Kathryn Moody, Assistant Chief Operator, and the group included Agnes Dolan, Rita Kelley, Freida Dengel, Marion Burke, Theresa Doris, Hazel Pailthorpe, Rose Vartanian, Dorothy Donnelly, Irene Plociak, Lois Ashworth, Irene Makgret, Jean Tessier, Doris LaFrance, Marie Mutch, Betty Lennon, Eva Periera, Eleanor Powers.



ANNIVERSARY

At a recent meeting of Rhode Island Commercial people Lorenz Dahl, Jr., District Manager of the R. I. District No. 2, presented John F. Shaw, Warren Manager, his 30th anniversary emblem. Seated: Beatrice Dietel, Edwin W.

Ray, Mary G. Hunt, Arthur E. Earnshaw, Ambrose S. Flaherty, John J. McConnell, John B. Gegan, Eugene L. Vail. Standing: John F. Shaw, Lorenz Dahl, Jr. Seated: Francis A. Barrett, Clement F. Delahunt, Harold L. Hamilton, Grace L. Gurley, Emily M. Seeger, Judith A. Rose, John F. McNamara, Herbert W. Chalmer.



PAWTUCKET PARTY

A dinner party was held recently at Le Chateau, North Attleboro, in honor of four brides of the Pawtucket Office. Foreground, the brides, left to right: Helen Aspinwall, Rosemary Danseureau, Cecile Lawrence, Mary Glancy. Second row: Esther Archambault, Edna Suprenant, Jean Tessier, Muriel

Bently, Mercedes Kennedy, Mary Carty, Margaret Highfield, Helen Pilcher. Standing: Betty Greenwood, Rita Fournier, Margaret McMahon, Madeline Wall, Rose Vartanian, Eileen O'Connor, Gertrude Tuscher, Agnes Dolan, Helen O'Connor, Marylou Brownell, Louise McGartland, Constance Meiklejohn.



ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATED

A recent party was given by Stoughton Operators to celebrate the 25th anniversary of Julia F. Harris, Supervisor at the Stoughton Office. Seated, left to right: Everett M. Harper, Night Operator Helen M. Chandler, Helen G. Swirnalis, Josephine E.

Nagle, Constance W. Burrell, Julia F. Harris, Amanda E. Anderson. Standing: Helen P. Lanigan, Mabel G. Rogers, Claire M. Burns, Mary F. Marron, Chief Operator; Irene M. Hedin, Mildred E. Hutt, Florence V. Gilley, Agnes T. Corbett, Ruth B. Carson.



COMMERCIAL TRAINING
Members of a recent class for Service

Representatives conducted in Providence were: Mary Tarp, Marion Bond, Instructor; Mary Donnelly.



CAMPAIGN MEETING

The Fall River Social Committee sponsored a meeting in the retiring room recently for the purpose of promoting Red Cross donations. Among the guests were Col. John Gegan, Division Commercial Engineer, who has just returned to the Company after five years of service in the ETO; Maj. Albert Talbot who was a Japanese-held prisoner of war, taken in the fall of Bataan and interned for 34 months, principal

speaker for the occasion; Harold E. Marr, Division Traffic Superintendent; Walter M. Rankin, District Traffic Superintendent; Donald E. McKenzie, Wire Chief of Fall River; Jane M. Keefe, Chief Operator; Donald Walton, Commercial Manager of Fall River, introduced the speakers. A collation was served by the Social Committee assisted by T. G. Flanagan. Left to right: Maj. Talbot, Helen Killoran, Marcelle Marchesault, Donald Walton, Harold E. Marr and Blanche Talbot.



SHOWER

A shower party was held recently by the girls of the

Gaspee-Dexter-Plantations Office for two brides, E. Louise O'Brien, left center, and Beatrice Allen, right center. Each received gifts from her friends.



SUPERVISORS

Two new Supervisors at Woonsocket who have recently completed their

training are Rosalee Kuchiryvka, left, and Dorothy Gilroy, center, shown with their Instructor, Kathryn Nicholson.

Additions to Force

East Providence: Lily Mae Bird, Mary Kelliher, Mildred Hawes, Margaret McNulty, Rosalie Christian, Jane Riley, Helen Kazen, Virginia Joyce, Frances Quinlan.

Central Information: Marie Latessa, Margaret Koumjian, Helen Coulthurst, Agnes Anderly.

Wickford: Eunice Strickland and Gretta Burgess.

Pawtucket Traffic

Mary Glancy was recently married to Robert C. Gibbons at Sacred Heart Church, Pawtucket, R. I. The couple will reside in Pawtucket after a wedding trip to Washington, D. C.



SHOWER

A shower was held recently at Abington Inn for Marjorie Damon and Shirley Elliot, Operators at the Rockland Office, who recently were married. Each was presented flowers and money. Left to right, front row: Anna Mason, Irene Anderson, Shirley Elliott, Shirley Goodfellow, Marjorie

Rosemary Dansereau became the bride of Charles Lawrence at Saint Edwards Church. After a wedding trip to New York, they will reside in Pawtucket.

At a ceremony in Saint Mary's Church, Pawtucket, Helen Aspinwall became the bride of Richard Driver. The couple will reside in Detroit, Mich.

Newcomers

Greenwood: Virginia Gustafson, Ruth Lindell; Greenwich: Eleanor Agin, Mildred Arnold; Bayview: Audrey Young, Louise Sabetti, Grace Beagan, Barbara Yeble. Transferred from Perry Office to Bayview: Romilda Green and Eleanor Kennedy. Transferred from Valley: Catherine Magner.

Damon, Janet Litchfield. Back row: Frances Murphy, Louise Wood, Gertrude Paulding, Winifred Shapleigh, Louise Blanchard, Dorothy Crowley, Celia Burke, Patricia Canney, Rose Smith, Norma Kendall, Lorraine Mahoney, Mildred Crommett, Pauline French, Grace Jones, Betty Moulton, Margaret Baird.



Louise Gwilliams of the Norton Traffic Office receives her 25th service anniversary emblem from Vincent P. Mathers, District Traffic Superintendent.



BAYVIEW SHOWER

Mary Curci, Chief Operator at the Bayview Office, was honored at a miscellaneous shower and buffet sup-

per at the home of Esther Barnes in Oakland Beach by her associates in the Bayview Office. Assisting Mrs. Barnes were Helen Selby, Betty Berube and Ruth Pfafko.

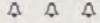


WELCOMED

The Valley Operating force recently welcomed these new girls. Front row, left to right: Adelina Ciumma, Rhea Alenburgh, Marilyn F. Wood. Back row: Louise Levesque, Lucille M. MacDonald.

NEWCOMERS

New operators who have recently been welcomed to the Valley Operating force are front row, left to right: Evangeline H. LaRose, Elizabeth V. Soltys, Therese H. Vadeboncoeur. Back row: Louise M. Russell, Irene B. Whitman, Flora J. Leu.



Americans use between one-third and one-half of all the electric power in the world.



A man sitting at ease breathes 7.5 quarts of air a minute; walking, 21; mountain climbing, 35; and swimming, 45.5.



Radio-wave cooking that will finish off a 10-pound roast in 12 minutes is a possibility when electronic developments become available in homes.



Providence L. D. Parties

A shower was given in honor of Nancy Converse of Providence Long Distance at the Cameo Room. Gifts of money and an overnight bag were presented to the guest of honor by the girls.

Nancy was married to Charles H. Stochr, AMM 1/c.

A dinner party was held at the Cameo Room for Catherine Halloran, formerly of Providence Long Distance, who has been transferred to the District Office.

Catherine received gifts of money and gloves from the girls.

Engagements

Dorothy Sanzi, of Providence Long Distance, recently announced her engagement to Pfc. James Toth, of the U. S. Marine Corps, now stationed at Quantico, Va.

The engagement of Margaret Quinlan, of Providence Long Distance, to Francis Ferguson, Y 1/c, of the U. S. Coast Guard, now on duty at Groton, Conn., has been announced.

Elsie Stockford, of Providence Long Distance, has announced her engagement to Russell Putnam, SAT 1/c, stationed at the Fargo Building, Boston.

Supervisors' Classes

Four new Junior Supervisors have recently been trained at Providence Long Distance. They are: Veronica McDermott and Mary Killian, who have returned from Quonset, and Irene Quinn and Patricia Ward. Irene came back to her home office two months ago after three years at the Newport Office. Patricia has also recently returned from Quonset.

O'ROURKE HONORED

Two hundred friends and associates of Edward A. O'Rourke gathered at Oates Tavern in North Providence to honor him on his recent transfer from Senior Testman at Pawtucket to Division Supervisor of Wages and Working Conditions. John T. Magner, President of Local No. 5, I.B.T.W., acted as toastmaster and introduced the following speakers: J. J. Honor, Div. Training Supervisor; J. C. McManus, Wire Chief, Pawtucket; R. L. Murray, Div. Supvr. Bldgs., M.V. and Supplies; R. C. Morse, Dis-

trict Plant Supt., and J. D. Lawlor, Div. Plant Personnel Supervisor. On behalf of Eddie's friends Frank Boyle, dinner committee chairman, presented him a purse of money and a corsage to Mrs. O'Rourke. Ernie Noke, master of ceremonies, on behalf of Eddie's friends in Pawtucket, presented him a novelty table lamp and a large golden key to the city of Pawtucket. Standing at the head table: J. J. Honor, Mrs. Murray, R. L. Murray, Mrs. O'Rourke, Mr. O'Rourke, J. T. Magner, J. D. Lawlor, Mrs. Morse, Mr. Morse, J. C. McManus. The committee: Frank Boyle, Russell Robbins, Gus Hoyas, Frank Donahue.



TRAFFIC CLASSES

One of the recent LD classes at Brockton included, first picture, left to right: Instructor Mary E. McKenney, Eliza-

beth V. Baldner, Laura R. Gillis, Pauline M. Horton and Elizabeth D. Hanney. Newcomers to Brockton, second picture, left to right: Instructor Madeline M. McCarthy, Mary T. Malloy, Lorraine C. Sullivan and Nancy L. Marden.

Girls who have recently been welcomed to the East Bridgewater exchange are Helen A. Wojcechowski and Beverly E. Crawshaw.

Western Division News

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Marion L. Allen, *Commercial*

Ruth M. Simpson, *Rev. Acct.*

Loretta L. Kennedy, *Traffic*

Michael F. Coyne, *Disb. Acct.*



STUDENTS

Student operators who recently completed training at Great Barrington were, standing: Ann L. Baumann, Anna M. Hopkins, Instructor; Irene A. Flynn, Mary M. Thompson. Seated: Helen M. Boldyga, Corrine Lawrence.



ACCOUNTING ASSOCIATES

A party was held recently for the retiring and newly elected officers and committee members of the Springfield Revenue Accounting Associates at the Town Hall Grill. Attending were, first row: Margaret Brough,

Dorothy Allen, Betty Simpson, Marjorie Moreland, Irene Adams, Anna Bagnall, Genevieve Partyka, Sylvia Washburn. Second row: Marilyn Johnson, Jacquelyn Barteau, Lena DeNucci, Evelyn L'Annunziata, Rose Alvigini, Sylvia Washburn, Julia Shea, Jean Riedel, Concetta Mineo.



SERVICE REWARDED

Eileen M. Loughnane, Service Representative in the Worcester Business Office, recently received a corsage of gardenias from the R. & L. Polk Company of Worcester for the friendly and accommodating service she gave to the Polk Company in regard to a final account. Miss Loughnane's friendly service on a telephone contact made her the recipient of the flowers. Eileen is pictured above seated at her desk ready for either a personal or telephone contact.



SPRINGFIELD DIAL STUDENTS

New students in the Springfield Dial Office take to the "Ouija" board. They are, first picture, left to right:

Miriam L. Wyman, Catherine C. Hess, Louise E. Braica, Elva M. Bolton, Rose L. Montanaro. Second picture, left to right: Mary E. Faust, Helen A. Orlandi, Frances B. Ogorzalek, Helen J. Szostkiewicz.



SPRINGFIELD DIAL

Newcomers to the Springfield Dial Office are, first picture, left to right, standing: Georgia A. Bicknell, Barbara J. O'Donnell, Jane S. Szarlan. Seated: Louise A. Catelotti, Eileen M. Dwyer, Ellenor R. Tower. Second picture,

standing: Ruth B. Bessette, Celia L. Burger, Kathleen A. Welch. Seated: Beulah G. Dinan, Grace E. Merchant, Roberta E. Cox. Third picture, standing: Mary E. Duquette, Shirley A. Kibbe, Eleanor K. Cirillo, Mary A. Capone. Seated: Dorothy L. Archambeau, Barbara E. Main.



Elinor L. Bowler, member of the Division Employment Supervisor's force, recently joined the Western Division Traffic group. Miss Bowler is a graduate of the Cathedral High School in 1944, and prior to her joining the Company was employed at the American Bosch Magneto Corp.



Pictured above is Frank Vogel, Substation Repairman in Springfield, being presented his 40-year service button by George H. Hicks, Service Foreman.

STUDENTS

Girls who have recently been trained in the Springfield Dial Office are, first picture, left to right: Nola M. Gib-

blings, Grace C. Lomascolo, Virginia A. Fluck, Rita C. Strain. Second picture: Patricia M. Cabble, Lottie Meloski, Doris V. Ledoux, Felicia A. Papuga, Claire R. Manning.



APPOINTMENT CELEBRATED

A dinner party was given by the Western Division Traffic Office at the Sheraton Hotel, Springfield, in honor of Ruth Edwards, former Division Instructor, who was recently appointed Springfield Chief Operator. Miss Edwards was presented gifts by both

the Division Office personnel and her field associates. The committee in charge included Anna Mae Donohue, Chairman; Jean Bradway, Natalie Guffanti. In the picture, left to right: Alfred J. Hanlon, Katherine J. Toner, Richard J. Dee, Miss Edwards, Franklin V. Moulton, Anna Mae Donohue.



NEWCOMERS

New operators in the Montpelier, Vt.,

exchange are, standing: Claire B. Carrier, Ruth E. Cumming. Seated: Agnes J. Landry, Marion L. Brickey.



RADIO OPERATORS' SCHOOL

Employees attending a recent class at Springfield in preparation for obtaining a 2nd class F.C.C. radio license to operate and maintain the equipment which will be used in our urban radiotelephone mobile service were, left

to right: William Foley, Charles E. Mattoon, Carl W. Carrier, Felix A. Pepka, George L. Macuen, Roland D. Butler, Instructor; William F. McNamara, Walter L. Carpenter, John A. McCarthy, Charles B. Alderman and William H. Shea.



COMMERCIAL CLASSES

Two recently completed training classes for Service Representatives in the Western Division included, first picture, seated: Eleanor G. Cronin, Instructor. Standing: Mary C.

Winters, Mary E. Humphrey, Anna M. Croken, Alice A. McDonnell. Second picture: Gertrude O'Connor, Jacqueline Trudeau, Barbara J. Bower, Instructor; Mary McGuane, Anna Harrington.

Engagement Announced

An announcement was made recently of the engagement of Rita S. Swenson, Clerk in the Worcester District Office, to William J. McElroy, who was recently discharged after serving for three years in the Army, 22 months of which were spent in overseas' duty.

Anniversary Celebrated

Esme A. C. Smith, Manager at Rutland, Vt., recently completed his 35th year of service with the Company. He was honored at a dinner given by 40 associates at Danby, Vt. H. W. Buzzell, Commercial Representative at Rutland, presented Mr. Smith a fountain pen on behalf of his fellow workers. Mr. Carl H. Hopkins, Vermont Manager, acted as master of ceremonies.

New Agent

Marion A. Brough has been appointed as the new Agent in Harvard following the resignation of Barbara A. Lee, former Agent.



"Watch that forehand or you'll be looking for a new doubles partner."



NEWCOMERS

Girls who have recently been welcomed to the Springfield Dial Office are, first picture, standing, left to right: Alice P. Adrian, Mary A. Mer-



kle, Anna M. Carlson. Seated: Judith B. Reed, Helen M. Rogers, Rita M. Morrison. Second picture: Betty J. Wiley, Irma A. Manson, Jean S. Fregeau.



CONFERENCE

Managers in the Worcester District recently conferred with the newly appointed District Servicing Manager, Arthur M. Danforth, and District Commercial Engineer, Allan S. Morton. Those pictured above, who attended the conference are, standing, left to right: Fred G. Kegler, Gardner Manager; Stanley C. Bigda, Worcester

Suburban Manager; Allen K. Burrows, Worcester Manager, and Lloyd C. Johnson, Southbridge Manager. Seated, front row, left to right: Charles H. Bauer, District Manager; Llewellyn C. Martin, Leominster Manager; Service Manager Arthur M. Danforth; Commercial Engineer Allan S. Morton; and Robert M. Hodgson, Fitchburg Manager.



TRAFFIC GIRLS

Attending a class for Junior Supervisors held at Pittsfield recently were, left to right: Vivian M. Booker, Greenfield;

Eleanor M. DeBlasiis, Pittsfield; Margaret M. McDonnell, Instructor, Pittsfield; Dorothy B. Ziemba, Greenfield; Marjorie V. Smith, Pittsfield; and Ruth M. Killion, Pittsfield.



BOWLING BANQUET

Above are shown those who attended the annual bowling

banquet held at the Wayside recently by the Springfield Revenue Accounting Department.



NUPTIALS CELEBRATED

A party was given recently at the Southwick Inn in honor of Arlene C. Plouff of the Westfield Office, who became Mrs. Schultz a short time ago. A gift of money was presented. Seated, left to right: Helen M. Wood, Dorothy E. Pringle, Martha J. Moore, Marjorie Kimberley, Patricia

A. Scatchard, Mrs. Schultz, Elizabeth A. McAuley, Irene M. Banks, Edna B. Appell, Rose E. Barden, Rita A. Hart. Standing, left to right: Edna H. Clare, Eleanor Goepfert, Alice S. O'Connor, Lena E. Goepfert, Irene M. Beluzo, Mary F. O'Connor, Helen E. Carney, Helen A. Loveridge, Madeline Barber, Rita B. Halla, Sophie M. Delskey and Agnes Bree.

Pioneer News

The following employees have recently become members of the Wm. J. Denver Chapter No. 20, Telephone Pioneers of America:

Katherine M. Brennan, Pearl R. Brougham, Mary C. Connors, Edith A. Lamb, Margaret L. Malone, Helen M. Reilly, Elizabeth I. Shine, Elizabeth Bunnell, Katherine F. Mulkere, Edna L. Newell, Margaret E. Richards, Henry M. Bergeron, Harley J. Brunell, Albert J. Manguy, George E. Martin, Harold R. McDonald, Bernard P. Moynihan, Stanley A. Vose, George E. Winchester, Eugene F. Jenness, Gustaf O. Ohlin, Forrest H. Powell and Herman Richter.

Catherine F. Garno transferred to the Matt B. Jones Council from the George S. Ladd Chapter No. 27, San Francisco, Calif.

John V. Browne, Jr., transferred from Springfield Council to the Jasper N. Keller Chapter No. 33 at Portland, Me., and John E. Brooks transferred from the Springfield Council to the Thomas Sherwin Chapter No. 14 at Boston.

Life members during March and April were: Estelle A. Lewis, Burlington; Wayne D. Wood, Stephen J. Dorsey and H. Frank Spencer of Springfield; Harry E. Illingworth of Pittsfield.

The following employees have become eligible for membership during February and March: Annie Borasky and Zachary Karis, Springfield; Emmett L. Deamer, Worcester; Loretta A. Egan, Southbridge; Helen G. Ryder, Clinton; Anna C. Bresnahan, Holyoke.

Welcome

The Southbridge Business Office welcomes Julia A. Liro who has taken a position with us as Service Representative.

Congratulations!

Jean A. Wilkinson, Service Representative, has announced her engagement to Cecil Earnest of Southbridge.

International Relations

The girls of the Greenfield Traffic Office recently received a letter addressed to the Telephone Ladies of Greenfield from Fransye Kraayeweld and Ina Binnendyk of Hazerswoude, Holland, who are telephone girls in that part of the world and wished to correspond with girls in a foreign country who did the same kind of work. The letter was translated by Mrs. Robichaud of Greenfield, who was born in Hazerswoude.

Pioneers Meet

The Springfield Council of Pioneers held a meeting at the Revenue Accounting Building in Springfield with about 100 members in attendance. The new telephone movie, "The Bell Telephone Hour," was shown as well as two comedy shorts. A community sing and fellowship time was followed with a smorgasbord served in the Cafeteria.



India has so many villages that if one were to visit one village every day, it would take two thousand years to visit them all.

What this country needs is more bumble bees, farm experts tell us. Seed crops are dwindling for lack of enough bees to help pollenization.



RETIRES

A group gathered recently in the office of Wire Chief Robert P. Nichols at Burlington, Vt., to witness the presentation by District Plant Superintendent Harold E. Brand of a service certificate to Frank McMaster who is retiring after more than 39

years' service. Charles C. Copp received his 30-year service pin from Wire Chief Nichols. First row, left to right: Mr. Brand, Mr. McMaster, Mr. Copp, Mr. Nichols, Charles Rand, Monica Lareau. Second row: Hubert Chenery, Clarence Geddes, Frederick Coffey, Lawrence Canning, Vernon Scott.



BIRTHDAY PARTY

Attending a birthday party for Helen Grych of the Springfield Revenue Accounting Department were, left to right, first row: Dorothy Lafavor,

Miss Grych, Irene Cyapienski, Shirley Jamieson. Second row: Lorraine Curto, Ethel Kioske, Jean Chadderton, Tillie Anzalotti, Genevieve Partyka.



NEWCOMERS

Burlington Traffic has recently welcomed these girls to the force. Left to right: Theresa M. Bessette, Helen

F. Hine, Eleanor M. Tatro, Harriette A. Kean, Madeleine S. Mulzac, Theresa M. Beauchemin, Arlene T. Sexton, Isabel H. Neary.



BASKETBALL CHAMPS

Fitchburg telephone operators were awarded gold basketballs for winning the Industrial League Tournament and silver basketballs as runners-up in the Y.M.C.A. Community Tournament. Players and coaches are, left

to right, front row: Theresa Caron, Irene Lamothe, Corinne Jameson, Marion Tomer, Lucille Pelletier. Back row: Alfred McClure, Coach; Barbara McCue, Manager; Elizabeth Kolazyk, Evelyn Raposa, Margaret Welch, Janet Dezingas, Angela Michaels, John Alden, Coach.



JOHN E. BROOKS

John E. Brooks, former District Plant Superintendent at Springfield, was given a testimonial banquet by a group of friends in recognition of his recent appointment as Maintenance Supervisor, Outside Plant in the General Office at Boston. The banquet which was held at the Highland Hotel was attended by various departmental supervisors and members of Local No. 4, I.B.T.W. William S. Mason, Division Plant Personnel Supervisor,

acting as toastmaster, introduced the various speakers and presented Mr. Brooks a traveling bag and fitted case. The group pictured above, seated, left to right: Mr. Mason, Mr. Brooks, Charles E. Lyons, District Construction Supervisor. Standing, left to right: Robert H. Lawton, Division Plant Supervisor; George W. Carty, International Executive Board Member, I.B.T.W., and Frank L. Buckley, Division Supervisor Buildings, Motor Vehicles and Supplies.



FAREWELL PARTY

A dinner party was held recently at Lake Lodge, Whalom, for Alfred B. McClure, Traffic Manager, Fitchburg, on the occasion of his transfer to Springfield. He was presented a golf bag and set of clubs. First row: George L. Carrick, Wire Chief; Robert M. Hodgson, Manager; John J.

Cronin, Traffic Manager; Richard J. Dee, Division Traffic Superintendent; Edward M. Stimets, District Traffic Superintendent; Pauline F. Murphy, Chief Operator. Second row: Richard C. Halberg, Traffic Manager; John M. Alden, Traffic Manager; Mrs. Alden; Mrs. McClure; Mr. McClure; Phyllis Bock; Barbara J. Gates.

SERVICE ANNIVERSARIES

35 YEARS' SERVICE (Continued)

Frederick A. Rowe, Metropolitan Plant
William C. Graney, Southern Plant
Donald H. Sawtelle, Southern Plant
Frederick J. Coffey, Western Plant
Albert E. Eastman, Western Plant
William L. McBride, Western Plant
William O. Pagenkoph, Western Plant
Joseph R. Swindell, Western Plant

30 YEARS' SERVICE

Sarah B. Brown, Met. Rev. Accounting
Frederick E. Waters, General Engineering
Philip W. Gleason, Metro. Commercial
Irene A. Smith, Central Commercial
Evelyn M. Jewett, Southern Commercial
Arthur McClure, Metropolitan Traffic
Kathryn E. Buckley, Southern Traffic
Mary C. Croke, Western Traffic
Myrtle A. Donaldson, Western Traffic
Daniel F. Callanan, General Plant
Matthew J. Costello, Equipment Installation
Laurence F. Gray, Central Plant
Robert Proctor, Central Plant
William I. Thompson, Central Plant
Herbert A. Betty, Central Plant
Frederick E. Huff, Central Plant
Alice K. Mawn, Central Plant
William F. Palmer, Central Plant
William L. Walsh, Central Plant
John P. McKernan, Central Plant
George T. Pettee, Eastern Plant
Angus A. McAdam, Metropolitan Plant
Percival North, Metropolitan Plant
Thomas F. McNulty, Metropolitan Plant
James M. Hyde, Southern Plant
Roland D. Rogers, Western Plant
Henry A. Seney, Western Plant

25 YEARS' SERVICE

T. Baxter Milne, Executive Department
Francis Lent, General Traffic
Justina V. Ford, Central Traffic
Ethel L. Pickering, Central Traffic
Katherine M. Streamfield, Central Traffic
Margaret E. McGinn, Central Traffic
Madeline S. Hazelton, Eastern Traffic
Mary M. O'Donnell, Eastern Traffic
Gertrude A. Laney, Eastern Traffic
Margaret M. Murphy, Metro. Traffic
Magdalen M. Hanley, Metro. Traffic
Helen M. McCoy, Metropolitan Traffic
Margaret T. Supple, Metropolitan Traffic
Sarah E. Hennessey, Metropolitan Traffic
Irene R. Voit, Metropolitan Traffic
Catherine M. Leahy, Metropolitan Traffic
Hazel F. Paine, Metropolitan Traffic
Victoria F. Chappelle, Southern Traffic
Helen A. Lincoln, Southern Traffic
Alice M. Murphy, Southern Traffic
Alice B. Berard, Western Traffic
Eleanor Chamberlain, Western Traffic
Catherine F. Garno, Western Traffic
John J. O'Brien, Metropolitan Plant
William J. Mahoney, Metropolitan Plant
Antonio Caputo, Western Plant



Touché

A notoriously loquacious matron once invited Mark Twain to be her guest at the Metropolitan Opera House to hear "Aida," a favorite of his. But the hostess talked so much during the performance that Mark was unable to follow the music. When he told her good night, she gushed, "Do join us again Saturday night. The opera is 'Tosca,' and you will surely enjoy it."

"I know I shall," Mark Twain rejoined. "I've never heard you in that."

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A Start

"You don't seem very enthusiastic, professor, about my daughter's chances of becoming a singer. Surely, she has some possibilities?"

"Vell, yah—she's got a mouth."

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Not So Easy

They tell that a sailor off the boat after a long cruise rushed to a phone first thing and called his girl. In a little while he hung up and he looked bewildered.

"Wassa matter?" asked a pal.

"She's gonna get married," groaned the guy.

"Aw," said the pal, "forget it. There's lotsa girls."

"Yeah," said the guy, "but she's gonna marry me."

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Quick Shift

"What is heredity?"

"Heredity is what we believe in until our children start proving it."

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Definition

A bachelor is a man who never Mrs. anything.

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How Many?

A crowded double-deck bus stopped at a corner and a stout middle-aged man descended the stairs, carrying a small girl. Depositing her carefully on the curb, he climbed back up and brought down a little boy. Again he made the journey to the top of the bus, and this time he carried down a younger child.

"For goodness sake," snapped a woman waiting to get on the bus, "what's he got up there? A nest?"

Right Either Way

"So you call your canary 'Joe.' Does that stand for Joseph or Josephine?"

"We don't know. That's why we call it 'Joe.'"

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Just Repetition

Wife (to husband who has had a few drinks too many): If it were the first time, Archibald, I could forgive you, but you came home in just the same condition in November, 1918.

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Last Judgment

Courtship is that period during which a girl decides if she can do better.

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Why Waste the Difference?

Senator Ford hit the top of the scoring meter with this story on NBC's "Can You Top This?"

A fellow was taking his girl home after a show and he said, "I have a riddle for you. 'What's the difference between a taxicab and the subway?'" "I don't know," she replied.

"Well, if you don't know," he said, "we'll go home in the subway."

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A Middler

Singer: How do you like my voice?

Accompanist: Lady, I've played the white keys. I've played the black keys, but you're the first one I ever saw that could sing in the cracks.

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Tough War

An Irishman was walking down a London street after an air raid, with a door-knob in his hand. He was cursing himself, and a friend he encountered inquired, "What's the matter, Pat?"

"Oh, those blankety blank Germans just blew a saloon out of my hand," answered Pat.

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Each in His Way

"Everyone can give pleasure in some way. One person may do it coming into a room, and another by going out."

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Chemistry Professor: What is the outstanding contribution chemistry has made to the world?

Student: Blondes.