

OF OUR TELEPHONE SERVICE.

Reaches Out to Many Parts of the County and Is Great Benefit.

In conversation with P. E. Chase, manager of the Pacific Telephone Company's local branch we learn that there are at least 160 homes served from his office, about half of them being in the town and the other being lines reaching out into the country and serving the farmers of this section. When Mr. Chase took charge of the office a year ago there were but 136 phones served from the office which shows that there has been a healthy increase in the past year, with a gain of 24 phones. The rate to farmers at that time was \$5 per year for switching service and for phone rental, now the farmer can buy his own phone and the charge is but \$3 per year for switching. This is as cheap a rate as there is anywhere in the state so far as we know and it certainly is worth twentyfive cents a month of any farmer's money to have a phone in the house, for there are many times that quick communication with town is very desirable, especially is this the case should a doctor have to be called. There is no need of running a horse to town and taking perhaps two to four hours to get a physician when in a few minutes one can be summoned by phone. Then when one has a phone in the house he can call up a neighbor on a rainy day and talk a few minutes, or the limit of time allowed for a conversation, and thus find out what is going on besides helping to pass away the time.

The business done by the local office brings in considerable revenue and gives employment to two operators. The tariff from switching which is paid to this office amounts to \$62 a month and is steadily increasing. This is not a munificent sum, yet it helps to swell the coffers of at least three persons and if there was no central here it would be missed very much. There are two lines to Suver which supply 27 farmers and two lines to Airlie that supply 30 farmers. Eventually these will be increased and we will have several more, besides there are a number of short lines that reach out only a short distance. There is free service to all patrons of this office with all the phones in Independence, Dallas and Rickreall, which gives one a large number of people with which he can communicate at almost a moments notice, besides we have long distance connection with Portland and all the valley towns.

Besides the \$62 payroll the company pays \$9 a month rental, but the accommodation is more to the town than the amount of money coming in and we could not afford to lose the central office. An effort was made last spring to have the office discontinued, but without success and we have reason to believe that no further attempt will be made in that direction; on the contrary there is reason to believe that there will be an effort to establish another system in town, but for the present it would seem unnecessary.

It is a pretty good index of the kind of farmer a fellow is if he wants to keep the manure pile at the smallest size possible and doesn't care a bit when it is spread on the land. Usually

such fellows have a grouch against the fate that attends them and lambaste the existing political and economic order.

In the light of present day forestry agitation the title of the poem which we used to recite when children in school, "Woodman, Spare That Tree," has a good deal more meaning in it than at the time the author penned it.

The total value of the olive crop for Greece in the year 1907 is reported to have been \$12,000,000.

Those desirous of going into the poultry business often want to know just how much it costs to keep a hen a year and what profit may be reasonably expected from the sale of eggs. An experiment conducted by the West Virginia station gives a definite answer to the above query. Six hundred hens were kept through the year, and it was found that the cost of feed per head was 89 cents, while the total for feed and labor was \$1.42. The average number of eggs was 113, valued at \$2.43, which left a net profit of \$1.01 for each hen, or an income of \$606 from the entire flock.

Church Directory.

EVANGELICAL CHURCH

L. C. HOOVER, Pastor

Morning service at 11:00 o'clock
Evening service at 7:30 o'clock
Sunday School at 10:00 a. m.
Y. P. A. Meeting at 6:30 p. m.
Prayer Meeting Wednesday evening.

CHRISTIAN CHURCH.

W. A. WOOD, Pastor.

Morning Service at 11 a. m.
Evening Service at 7:30 p. m.
Sunday School 9:45 a. m.
Y. P. S. C. E. 6:30 p. m.
Prayer Meeting Wednesday 7:30 p. m.

Notice to the Public.

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