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REMEMBER THE 'PHONE OPERATORS.

We ran across an article the other day that was so good that we are going to reprint it with the comment that it reflects our sentiments often thought but seldom expressed. Here it is, from the Marysville (Calif.) Appeal.

Ever stop to think about the telephone girl? Did you ever visit the local telephone offices where the "hello girls" sit in their high seats, with receivers clamped to their ears, making switches and trying to give prompt service to the public?

Never did? Then you've missed a sight worth while. It will do you good to go over to the exchange some afternoon or evening and watch these young women work.

They work fast. They have to, for the public demands fast attention.

But, you say, lots of times you take up the receiver and have to wait for "central" to answer.

How long, on an average, do you have to wait? About three seconds. It seems longer. But if you had to walk over to the house of the person with whom you wanted to talk it would take a whole lot longer. And, perhaps, if you didn't have a telephone you'd have to take a taxi. But if you didn't have a telephone you'd not take a taxi—you'd be so far from up to date you'd take a horse-drawn cab.

A lot of folks who think they are mighty cultured don't fool the telephone girl at all. She knows when a man joggles the receiver up and down and shouts out, "Hello, hello, hello," in a rough, impatient voice that he hasn't been a gentleman long enough for it to hurt him.

A real man or a real woman never takes spite or bad humor out on the girls at the central office.

It is not hard to be a gentleman. It is the easiest thing in the world. Just act natural. That's the thing.

A lot of folks take up the 'phone

and talk in a tone that would cause them to be slapped in the face if they did it face to face with the person with whom they are conversing.

Telephone etiquette is a valued asset. Try it some day and see how much better service you get out of the girls.

They like courtesy. They like to be treated as human beings. Girl for girl they are just as nice and pretty and good as your own sisters and your daughters. Sometimes they are mighty busy and don't make your switch as fast as you'd like. But other people have telephones, too. They want to be waited upon. We can't all be first.

Let's try a little more courtesy with the telephone girls today. Let's

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see how much better the service is and how much more self-respect we have if we treat the "hello girl" just as nicely as we would the young woman we meet at the card party or at the ball.

What would happen today if all the telephone wires were cut and we couldn't get even a single number?

AT THE HOTELS

Foley.
S. L. Slobe, Wm. Clavey, Seattle; E. C. Oliver, P. L. March, R. A. Moore, W. W. Carr, C. A. Scott, Portland; S. C. Lamm, Boise; E. Baker, Pendleton; E. F. Clark, Union; Herbert Myres, Cove; W. A. Yeaman, Spokane; A. T. Warner, Walla Walla; Dr. F. W. Whitney, Elgin; E. J. Muir and wife, Enterprise; Thomas Duncan, La Grande.

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Steve Peppoff, local; Nelle Mathews, D. M. Cooley, J. A. Payton, A. M. Brown, Sol Harris, J. D. Zinch, J. L. Morrow, J. C. Marshall, H. J. Kalisty, S. E. Brackett, Fred Mires, Portland; Mrs. L. V. Gibson, Cove; R. L. Collins, Chicago; F. J. Kelly, E. L. Patterson, San Francisco; W. W. Crittenden, Seattle; Bruce Cox, Wallawa; C. R. Kearny, Seattle; J. P. Galloway, J. W. Johns, Elgin; J. W. Sim, Spokane; Lizzie Wells, Starkey; E. J. Garner.

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