

Progress Has Changed A Convenience Into A Necessity



How Valuable Is Time?

If you had to call a doctor by going to his door personally—if you had to report a fire by hurrying to the fire station—if you had to conduct urgent business conversation entirely by letters to other cities—if your only contact with merchants or friends were when you could visit them personally—

If these things were true, what value would you put on the time lost for lack of a telephone? If the doctor or fire department arrived too late—if business were lost through irritation over unnecessary delay—if friends drifted away through lack of frequent contact—could you estimate the loss?

Telephone service—local or long distance—is merely an investment in modern living. Its uses are practically unlimited and yet for a few cents a day every home can have the protection, the convenience, and the pleasure it provides.

Party lines give complete and practical service at most moderate cost. Extension phones save steps and time running down stairs or to outer offices. Toll calls to neighboring towns or far cities expedite business and eliminate delays. If you are not making the most of modern telephone facilities, we will be glad to discuss rate schedules and enlarged service privileges with you.

Imagine modern life without railroads, without highways, without sanitary sewers, without paved streets, without automobiles, without electricity. Imagine it without telephones. The old pioneers can remember when such things were unknown here. A generation ago they were called modern conveniences—today they have become milestones of progress.

When telephone exchanges were first installed—crude in equipment and limited in service facilities—a telephone was looked upon as a luxurious convenience available only to the few. Progress of modern life and ways of living have changed it from a convenience to a necessity. Business would be dwarfed without the modern telephone; homes would be isolated; inconvenience would be multiplied. To be deprived of it would mean stepping backward a complete generation.

Throughout Union and Wallowa counties the Home Telephone company has built an enviable system and a service that is unexcelled anywhere in the Northwest. From a modest beginning with equipment that has long been discarded as obsolete we have grown to be one of the largest independent companies in the west with facilities equal to any in the country.

Improvements are made constantly. No development in the direction of better service is made without receiving immediate attention. Service and technical staffs are constantly schooled in the newest efficiency practices. An increasingly perfect system is the aim of this company for its entire territory.

As the growth and progress of these two counties have made possible the progress of this telephone system, so has our telephone service had a notable part in facilitating progress. Our system and our organization are pledged to a continuance of that co-operation.

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