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READY FOR PUBLIC CONTROL.

THE American Telephone and Telegraph company, commonly known as the Bell system, in its annual report, makes a frank appeal for a single ownership of telephone lines throughout the country under proper governmental regulations. That much progress toward this end has been made may be gathered from this statement:

Wherever it could be legally done and done with the acquiescence of the public, opposition companies have been acquired and merged into the Bell system.

The report declares that since these merges began the cost of construction, including toll lines, per exchange station, has steadily decreased, from \$199 in 1909 to \$142 in 1910, and correspondingly there has been an average decrease for the annual charge for exchange service, from \$44.68 in 1909 to \$31.28 in 1910. The taxes paid in 1910 were more than 5 per cent of gross earnings, 16.4 per cent of the net earnings and 1.4 per cent of its valuation of its telephone plants.

The contention is made, and fairly so, that the telephone should be as universal as the highways, extending from one man's door to another's, and that rates should be made thoroughly popular and reasonable. This, it is contended, could be best done under one ownership and fair regulation. So far as competition goes, the telephone is one public utility whose service to the people is hindered rather than helped by diverse systems and ownerships. As far as that is concerned, there has never really been actual competition between telephone companies, but the only effect of attempted competition has been to force people to maintain two telephone systems for a while where one would suffice.

If the benefits of competition can be had and the evils avoided by public control and regulation, that will be the next step.

North Bend News

Grade Summerlin, who has been visiting relatives in Myrtle Point, returned to North Bend today.

Mrs. Henry Trueman of North Bend Heights was a guest yesterday of her daughter, Mrs. Harry Russell of Marshfield.

Mrs. C. H. Worrell and Mrs. E. W. Fahy and daughter, Miss Hazel of Bullards, expect to leave tomorrow for a few weeks' stay at Portland.

Robt. McCann foreman of the North Bend mill, will leave next week for a visit at his sister's and brother's in Edmonton and Reddick, Can.

Mrs. Harry Bradfield, Pasquin Bradfield, Miss Margaret Witte, and Miss Humphrey were guests at the Imhoff home and of Mrs. E. H. Jones yesterday.

Miss Margaret Witte and Miss Humphrey, nurses of the Good Samaritan hospital in Portland, are spending their vacation at the home of Mrs. Harry Bradfield of Marshfield.

Have your calling cards printed at the Times office.

Local Overflow

BORN.

PINEGOR—To Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Pinegor, a son, Wednesday, August 29. Mother and child are doing nicely and Papa Bob is happier than if a hundred railroads were coming to Coos Bay. Grandpa and Grandma Eickworth also extended a warm welcome to the little stranger.

Boy Better.—The young son of J. W. Vineyard of Eastside, who has been very ill of bloodpoisoning, is reported improving.

Is Better.—Mr. Alto, an Eastside resident, who has been very ill of ptomaine poisoning from eating canned goods is reported improving.

New Physician.—Dr. W. P. Hopkins of Portland arrived here today to assume a position as physician and surgeon at the Beaver Hill mines under Dr. E. Mings.

Loses Finger.—Geo. Holmes, a cook at the Bunker Hill boarding house cut off the first finger of his left hand while chopping kindling. He is getting along as well as could be expected.

Fighting Charged.—Marshal J. W. Carter today filed information before City Recorder Butler charging O. Morrissey and P. Grant with fighting on North Front street last night. The combat is said to have been a lively one. They will have their hearing later.

Child Loses Fingers.—The three-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. I. E. Johnson had the first finger and part of the second finger of one hand cut off this morning by a hatchet. Whether the child or some of his playmates wielded the hatchet is not known. The family lives in South Marshfield near the cemetery.

In Runaway.—A. L. Redfield and child and Mr. Redfield, Jr., and wife of North Bend were in a rather bad runaway on the road to Beaver Hill yesterday. While passing Dr. E. Mings auto, one of the wheels of the rig slipped over the grade frightening the horses and breaking the wheel and tongue. The team got away, throwing the occupants who had not already jumped out. Mrs. Redfield, Sr., sustained a slightly injured knee. The rig was demolished.

PORT ORFORD SHOW SUCCESS

First Agate Carnival Closes—
Frank Tichenor Plans
Big Hotel There.

(Special to The Times.)
PORT ORFORD, Oregon, Aug. 24.—Port Orford's First Annual Agate Carnival closed Saturday. It was a success in every way. The Tichenor Trophy—a beautiful silver cup offered as a prize by Frank B. Tichenor of Portland, for the best display of Agates, was won by Mrs. E. L. Knapp. The second award was given to Mrs. William Gillings, and the third best display belonged to Mrs. Ames Johnson. Miss Ena McKenzie won first prize for finding the best agate on the benches during the Carnival and Miss Lucile Meredith won second prize. F. E. Colley, the District Manager of the W. O. W. for Southern Oregon, who was visiting here during the Carnival won the prize for catching the largest trout from the shore of Orford Lake, and received a fine assortment of Trout flies. Even the old time citizens of Port Orford were surprised at the variety and size of the agate display at the Carnival, and already plans are being made for the Second Annual Agate Carnival to be held next year. The Battle of Battle Rock which took place the night Gov West and his party were here will be enlarged and improved upon, and be made one of the attractive features of the Carnival next year. Interest in agate hunting has been stimulated, and the Port Orford Commercial Club is planning to place an exhibit of Port Orford's agates in the Chamber of Commerce in Portland and San Francisco so travelers can see a sample of the rare stones so numerous on Port Orford's beaches. Frank B. Tichenor is planning the erection of a large Summer Hotel here for next year to take care of the summer tourists and hunters who are coming in increasing numbers each year to this section of Oregon.

BIG MEETING AT COQUILLE

Farmers' Union to Have Special District Officer Come to Coos County.

COQUILLE, Ore., Aug. 29.—At a largely attended convention of the members of all the local branches of the Farmers Educational and Co-operative Union of America here Saturday, arrangements were made to take up with a Portland warehouse company a proposition for handling the output of all the members. By this central sales agency, it is believed that the prices the ranchers will derive for their products will be greatly increased.

P. M. Hall-Lewis of Catching Inlet, fruit inspector for Coos county, was present and made a short address in which he stated that F. A. Sykes, secretary of the Oregon and Idaho district of the Union would be in Coos county from September 16 to 20 for the purpose of assisting the locals in extending their membership and also for the purpose of organizing the ranchers on the Coos Bay side of the county. Mr. Hall-Lewis stated he had the matter up with the district officials for some time.

It was an all day session and dinner was served here.

During his stay in Coquille, Fruit Inspector P. M. Hall-Lewis caused quite a stir by making a tour of the stores and notifying them that they must not handle diseased fruits and served notice that any diseased fruits found in their places henceforth would be destroyed.

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BANDON MEN IN TROUBLE

State Game Warden Finley Aff-
er Minister's Party For
Law Violation.

BANDON, Ore., Aug. 29.—State Game Warden Finley has been here several days investigating an alleged violation of the game laws involving a half-dozen prominent local men. He announces that he has arranged with Deputy Prosecuting Attorney Liljeqvist of Coquille to have the grand jury take the matter up at the September term of court.

According to Mr. Finley, Deputy Game Warden Morgan discovered the skins of two spotted fawns near the camp of the Bandon men a short time ago. He further claims that when Deputy Morgan asked them about it, they first laid the killing on to a sixteen-year-old boy who was with the party but later denied it. Finally it was taken before Justice Holden at Coquille who discharged them on the grounds that the evidence against them was not conclusive. State Game Warden Finley alleges further that Justice Holden stated that his principal reason for deciding contrary to the evidence introduced by the state was the statement of Rev. H. C. Hartranft, pastor of the Presbyterian church in Bandon, denying the charges. Mr. Finley declares that the case will not be dropped because he claims the evidence of guilt is conclusive. The Bandon people involved and who are to be summoned before the grand jury are: Rev. H. C. Hartranft, pastor of Bandon Presbyterian church; H. E. Boak, Sam Barrows, B. F. Klepfer, H. C. Schmoker, and a nephew of Mr. Barrows.

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