TUESDAY, OCTOBER 26, 1920.



As new subscribers a number of individuals have recently placed orders with us for telephones. Old subscribers have asked for service at new locations. They have been told by our representatives that immediate compliance with their desires was impossible owing to lack of "telephone facilities" in a particular locality. "Why," one will say, "The poles and wires are on the street and the house is already wired."

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We wish that the problem were as simple as it sounds. There may be poles and wires, but every wire may be in use in giving service to others-There may be a cable, but every circuit in it may be assigned to telephones already installed. There may be spare wires and circuits but no switchboard apparatus at the central office to which they can be connected. There may even be sections of switchboard but not available for operation on account of the lack of necessary accessories such as ringing keys, relays, etc-

The reason for the shortage of telephone equipment is simple. During the war period we were unable to maintain our reserve or stock plant as the same materials we use were required and taken for Government purposes and for industries properly favored by the Government. Since the war, with the unexpectedly prolonged problems of reconstruction, production and delivery of materials needed to meet even current demands have been delayed. Every business concern is having similar experiences. The manufacturers of telephone equipment have been bending every effort to fill our orders, but they in turn are meeting the same difficulties in securing rubber, paper, silk, glass, porcelain, tin, thread, shellac, metal parts and other articles not generally associated in the public mind with telephone service.

At the same time with this abnormal situation with reference to materials there exists an unprecedented demand for telephone service, and even under these circumstances our record is one of fulfillment of demand. In the first eight months of this year we have added 6863 telephones in the State of Oregon. In the eight months prior to our declaration of war we gained 2655 telephones.

We desire to give service as much as a patron wishes to receive it. We desire to promptly comply with the suggestions of public authorities who have taken a proper interest in the situation. We are facing abnormal conditions but we will-of necessity-gradually overcome our difficulties.

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