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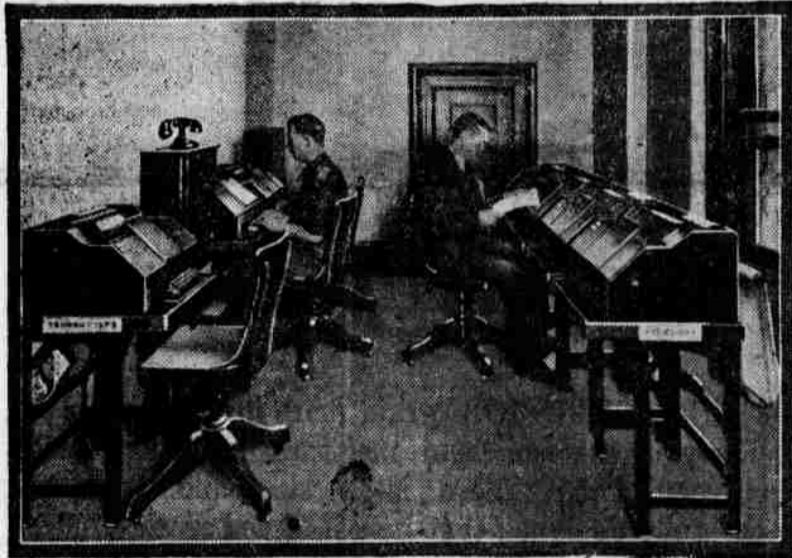
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Telephone Typewriter System Great Aid in Catching Criminals

New Business Uses Being Found for System Now Used Largely by the Great Press Associations to Gather and Distribute News.



Telephone Typewriter Installation at Police Headquarters, New York City.

BY means of the printing telegraph service, or the telephone typewriter as it is coming to be known, instant transmission of communications between distant offices, factories, etc., is made available, providing each connected unit of the organization with typewritten copies simultaneously. In other words, the telephone typewriter makes possible typewriting at a distance.

The telephone typewriter service was first used in 1917 by one of the large press associations whose exacting requirements it met admirably, but recently it has been adapted to other commercial users and particularly to large industries having a widespread organization.

As one feature of the program involving the new communication system of the New York City Police Department, a telephone typewriter switching system has been installed which provides communication between General Police Headquarters, Manhattan, and all

the borough police headquarters and to all the Manhattan precincts, also from each of the four borough headquarters outside of Manhattan to each precinct station in that borough and to other strategic points. The complete system comprises more than 100 telephone typewriter sets.

This service was officially turned over to the Police Department by the New York Telephone Company, Mayor Walker sending the opening message in the presence of President McCulloch and other telephone and police officials. The following day a stolen truck containing \$10,000 worth of merchandise was recovered forty-five minutes after its loss was reported, through a description sent to all precincts in Manhattan by the aid of this system.

The system is arranged so that an operator at headquarters may send from a keyboard to any one precinct, to any group, or simultaneously to all precincts, the messages being printed automatically in page form at the receiving machines, which are placed close to the desk of the officer in charge of the precinct. A signal lamp is associated with each line so that the receipt of a message may be acknowledged by each station. Lines are also provided for incoming messages from the headquarters in the other four boroughs.

Telephone typewriter service is also being furnished on a somewhat smaller scale to the police departments in St. Louis and Boston, and to twelve cities in Connecticut whose police headquarters are interconnected.

ROAD OPENS UP NEW PLAYGROUND

Highway 60 Miles Long and More Than a Mile High.

An article in the Sunday Spokesman-Review gives the following account of the new Skyline Highway along the summit of the Blue Mountains, leading from Langdon Lake at Toll Gate north to a point near Dayton, Washington:

The work of opening a road from Godman Springs on the summit of the Blue mountains, 28 miles south of Dayton, to Toll Gate, a point on the summit, southwest of Walla Walla, was completed recently. It brings to an end one of a four or five years' project of road building by the forestry service in the Umatilla forest reserve.

For three years, as the road work progressed, it has been the ambition of many Columbia, Walla Walla and Umatilla county people to be the first over the new road and around the loop which this piece of work completes. It fell to a Dayton party to open the way. A Dayton newspaper representative had been keeping his ear close to the ground all summer, awaiting the moment when it was possible to get a car through.

Most of the road from Dayton to Godman is in a fine shape, the worst of it being only a little rough and dusty, between Bartholomew and Mountain Top. From Stockard to Godman the road condition continually improves. From Godman to Table Rock this mountain road is a boulevard.

It is narrow in places. Many curves hold the speed of your car down to probably an average of 15 to 20 miles an hour, although in some places stretches are available for 25 miles an hour.

No finer mountain scenery exists anywhere than that found from Mountain Top on through to Toll Gate. As your car follows the ever-winding and changing road along the tops of ridges or around the steep side of some lofty peak, a spellbinding panorama unfolds before you.

It is continually changing. Deep canyons loom immediately below you, hundreds, almost thousands of feet below you. Out on the open ridges, above the timber line as it is at Table Rock, hundreds of miles of visibility, with a plain view of peaks in the Cascade range, which across the intervening country, unfolds to the watcher like another world.

Thirty-three miles from Dayton brings the party to a fork in the road. The one to the left goes to Twin Buttes, which is developing as a seat of operations for fishermen and huckleberry pickers.

From here, one goes fishing in Butte creek, in the Wenaha river in Oregon, or in Twenty-mile, or in the Forks. This section is the last natural fishing ground of the residents of the Inland Empire. Each summer, as transportation facilities improve, larger crowds invade this paradise of the fisherman.

The road to the right continues the "loop" and leads on to Table Rock. At Table Rock, the pioneering party spent the major part of an hour looking over the country.

This point is 6370 feet above sea level and affords a view over the entire country, extending from the Cascade range on the west as far as the eye can reach on the north into Washington and over the top of the Oregon mountain range on the south. The sightseer does not realize the significance in the name Table Rock, until he gets around on the west side where he sees this point rising above the surrounding country in what looks like a perfect circle. It is formed of rim rock which gives it the appearance of a high circular altar more than a table.

At Table Rock you are 43 miles from Dayton and about one-third of the way around the loop, which measured, by way of Milton, is 140 miles. Many beautiful camping places have been passed getting thus far, with many cold springs to refreshen the tired or thirsty.

The road construction crew has camped this summer at one of the most delightful spots in the mountains, seven miles beyond Table Rock. Toll Gate was reached 33 miles beyond Table Rock, or 76 miles from Dayton.

Here the party enjoyed boating and swimming on the lake, which is a "mountain jewel" in a green setting. The name of this lake is in dispute, some knowing it as Bellows lake, while others heartily maintain that it is Langdon lake.

Lunch was eaten here, 5114 feet above the sea, and after a two-hour stay the party drove on. This end of the road was strange to all members. When it came to choosing be-

tween the road via Weston and one to Milton, the mistake was made which led them by the latter way.

Fourteen miles of bad road was followed. A choice of the Weston way would have supplied a fine gravel road almost the entire distance and would have made the trip only about 10 miles longer.

The mountain road in either case connects with the Oregon state highway, which gives the traveler pavement for the home stretch. The trip's total time was ten hours, with less than seven hours driving time. The little Ford sport model coupe made it on a gas consumption of seven gallons. Thus far no mention has been made of the transportation, but not because it is less deserving. That new model Ford took the rough road and the steep places with the greatest ease.

The completion of this road opens up a new playground for the Inland Empire. It is not improbable, but, on the other hand, quite probable that next summer will see people coming from Spokane for a week-end trip.

From Spokane and way-points, the week-ender can come into Twin Buttes on Saturday afternoon, enjoy a Sunday morning of fishing, and in the afternoon go on around the loop and be home again Sunday evening in time to get cleaned up before bedtime.

Athena High School Swamps Pilot Rock By Score of 12-0

"Pike" Miller's Athena High School football gladiators swamped Pilot Rock Hi in the first game of the season by a margin of two touch downs for a score of 12 to 0, on the local gridiron, Friday afternoon.

The Rock kicked off and Athena on returning the ball, opened a baffling offense which resulted in a touchdown within a period of two minutes, Gross going over the goal line after carrying the ball 25 yards. The trial for point failed, when Gross boosted the oval low.

Pilot Rock had the ball at the opening of the second quarter, and lost it on downs. Then followed two plays for the second touchdown, Myrick breaking through for a dash of 62 yards. On a trick play, Athena again failed to convert the odd point.

The second half opened and ended with the teams plugging away on more even terms, with Athena seemingly content to hold her advantage gained in the first half, and the boys from the Rock lacking the necessary punch to make gains at critical stages. The ball remained in mid-field for the greater part of the second half.

Crowley brought the crowd up to a high pitch when he got away for a sprint that would have gone for a touchdown, but for the clever interception made by Pilot Rock's fast and capable safety.

Athena's weakness was shown in defensive tactics, but on the offensive the team showed up well. In the first half the Pilot Rock line was shattered at will, and the ball was well handled by Athena.

Officers were: Brace, Weston, Jackson; Leonard Geissel, Umpire; Jeff Perry, Linesman.

Ministers Speak At W. C. T. U. Meeting

Two short speeches were enjoyed by the ladies of the W. C. T. U. at the home of Mrs. D. A. Pinkerton Tuesday of this week. The importance of the aggressive campaign on the part of the Union, as well as individuals who would see our country protected against the Demon Alcohol was stressed by both Mr. Dow the Baptist minister and H. Jackson Perry the Christian minister.

There were eleven members and three visitors present. Refreshments were served. Mrs. Read and Mrs. Perry were elected as delegates to the county convention to be held in Helix October 5. It is hoped that all the members of the local Union will attend this convention. Arrangements were made to furnish transportation for all who wish to go, cars will be at the Athena Hotel at 9 o'clock, a. m. of October 5th. A "Pot Luck" dinner will be served, so all who go are requested to take one article of food for this lunch. A great time is assured all who go.

The necessity of registration was stressed by the ladies and arrangements were made to furnish information and assistance to all who have not yet registered by calling Mrs. C. L. McFadden. Every one who hasn't voted in your precinct for two years must be registered. You cannot be sworn in on election day as heretofore. MRS. H. J. PERRY, Reporter

Alick Johnson Dead
Alick Johnson, well known Weston farmer, died at his farm home early yesterday morning, while talking to his son Karl. Mr. Johnson had been in ill health for many months, but his death was wholly unexpected by his family and friends. Funeral arrangements had not been made when this edition went to press.

BURGLARS OPEN SAFES IN ATHENA

Marion Hansell Loses Two Medal Trophies Valued At \$2000.

Burglars opened two safes in Athena business houses Friday night and lifted about \$60 in cash and Marion Hansell's diamond studded shooting tournament medals, valued at \$2,000.

The Rogers & Goodman hardware store was entered through the coal chute into the basement. The big safe with double doors was expertly cracked by knocking off the knob and punching the knob-stem back through the combination mechanism and thus releasing the lock bolts. The job revealed the work of an experienced cracksmen who left no clue behind him.

The safe at the Zerba Garage was rifled of a small amount of change and a revolver. The door to this safe was unlocked, but the cash drawer, a metal box, was pried out, carried back into the repair shop and smashed open with a hammer.

The Sheriff's office was notified of the burglary early Saturday morning, but to date no trace of the cracksmen has been found.

The Friday night robbery is about the biggest haul of loot that has been made during a series of robberies in the county which have transpired in the last three months. During this time one robber was shot and killed at Pilot Rock, when caught in the act of robbing a store, by a couple of citizens. Perpetrators of other robberies have not been apprehended.

Bob Crosby King of Cowboy Tribe

Bob Crosby, thrice winner of the Roosevelt trophy, was crowned king of the cowboys when the Round-Up came to a close Saturday evening.

By winning the trophy this year, Crosby gets permanent possession of the beautiful silver prize, which has been offered since 1923. The conditions of the trophy were that the high point man at Cheyenne and Pendleton win it, and that permanent possession not be given until the trophy was won three times.

Bob won it in 1925 and in 1927 as well as winning it this year. He won also the Hamley all-round cowboy belt; is world's champion steer roper and calf roper. The Roosevelt trophy was first won in 1923 by Yakima Canutt. Other winners are: Paddy Ryan, 1924; Bob Crosby, 1925; Norman Cowan, 1926; Crosby, 1927 and 1928.

Championships won at the Round-Up this year are as follows:
Roosevelt Trophy winner—Bob Crosby.

World champion all-round cowboy—Bob Crosby.

World champion steer roper—Bob Crosby.

World champion calf-roper—Bob Crosby.

Bucking championship, Northwest—E. Woods.

Bucking championship, World—Tuck Greenough.

Mrs. W. H. Keen Dead Funeral At Spokane

Mrs. W. H. Keen, who was taken to a hospital at Walla Walla, a couple of weeks ago, died there at 9 o'clock Monday forenoon. Death is said to have resulted from Brights Disease. Before her marriage to Mr. Keen, the deceased taught school in a district northwest of Athena. Since her marriage she and her husband have resided on the farm. She was born in Missouri, July 14, 1884.

Besides her husband, Mrs. Keen is survived by one daughter, Mrs. J. M. Bentz, of Spokane, and one son, Cecil Wilson of Spokane, also three sisters and three brothers, Mrs. W. H. Everts, Greenacres, Washington; Mrs. E. C. Goodwater, Sprague; Mrs. V. H. Clapp, Spokane; George F. and Elmer Macklin, Spokane, and Walter E. Macklin, of Huntington, Oregon.

The remains were taken to Spokane for interment and funeral services were held in that city, Wednesday.

New Mechanics
Frank Rominger has taken over the mechanical department of Thompson's Garage. He is being assisted temporarily in automobile repairing by George Measday. Mr. Rominger has come here to reside, his wife being employed as a teacher in the Athena grade schools, and is now teaching in her second year here.

Two Bucks Brought In
Lloyd Michener, Herb Parker, Dick Winship and Amos O'Dell, who left Athena Sunday for the John Day Hunting grounds, returned early Wednesday afternoon, bringing in two buck deer as trophies of their hunt.

Til Taylor Statue To be in Pendleton Early This Winter

Pendleton.—The Til Taylor Memorial statue is practically finished and will be here early this winter, says A. Phimister Proctor, sculptor who made the statue and who has been a Pendleton visitor.

"I am most pleased with it in every way," says Mr. Proctor, who is nationally known for his skill. Mr. Proctor, began the statue in Rome and completed it in Brussels and in both cities it received the highest of praise. The king and queen of Italy were especially interested in the statue.

Mr. Proctor was a personal friend of the late sheriff. To aid in securing an authentic likeness, the gloves, boots and spurs worn by the sheriff; the saddle in which he rode and the bridle with which he reined his horse were sent to Mr. Proctor. Pictures in many different poses, were also used by the sculptor.

The statue is to stand in Til Taylor Memorial park. The three reflecting pools, which will mirror the statue and its background of green trees, have been built and with the placing of the base, arrangements for the erection of the monument will be complete.

Besides the funds for the statue itself, additional money has been subscribed for the base. Moreover, some sums have been given for improvement of the park. The reflecting pools were made possible through the generosity of the Pendleton Commercial association which gave \$1,000 for permanent park improvement.

"The Legion of the Condemned" Tomorrow

One of the best pictures of the year, starring Garry Cooper and Fay Wray will be seen in the presentation of "The Legion of the Condemned" at the Standard Theatre tomorrow night.

Sunday night Bebe Daniels comes in Paramount's fine comedy drama, "The 50-50 Girl." This picture was changed over from last Sunday night, in order that "The Cardboard Lover" could be booked.

"Two Arabian Knights," "The Sky-scraper" and "Metropolis" are three big time pictures that have been booked for showing at the Standard within the next three weeks. This is greater movie season, and the Standard is showing the cream of the pictures.

Athena Plays Wa-Hi Here This Afternoon

Plenty of games serve to keep football teams in trim, and banking on this method of form-building, Coach Miller is booking scrimmages for his high school proteges.

This afternoon at 3 o'clock on the local gridiron, Athena will take on a battle with the Wa-Hi second team and thrills a plenty are expected by the fans and supporters of the home team.

In the Pilot Rock game last Friday, Miller gave every one of his subs a chance for action, and if the going this afternoon is not too strenuous, the bench-warmers will again be led into the fray. Wa-Hi's second stringers are said to be in fine fettle, and it may be that Miller will have no time to fool away in halter-breaking his cubs. Will we all be there? Yep.

"Pete" Bags a Bear

Will M. Peterson of Pendleton and M. L. Watts of Athena, spent a portion of last week at Bingham Springs in the Peterson summer home. While out hunting, "Pete" virtually "saved" the Umatilla river live stock industry from probable extermination by slaying a ferocious brown bear under very trying and difficult circumstances. Being a dyed-in-the-wool democrat, the only protection "Pete" vouchsafes the herdsman is destruction of predatory animals, so when he saw the monster bear he deliberately walked up to it and dispatched it with a well directed shot between the eyes. When dressed, the animal weighed 24½ lbs. We take Marvel Watts' word for the weight of the beast.

Idaho Hunting Trip

Fay LeGrow, Sam Pambrun, Herman Geissel and Everett Rothrock left Athena Tuesday morning on a hunting trip into the Selway district in Idaho. Two trucks were taken to move their camp and pack outfit. Marion Hansell had intended to be a member of the party, but was detained on account of business matters. Last year the Athena party had a very successful hunting trip in the same district.

Clay Ink Bottle

Many, many years ago, when your great grandfather wrote his letters, he dipped his feather quill into an ink bottle made out of potter's clay. One of these old-time ink bottles has come to the Press editorial desk, through the generosity of Ed Welch, who found the relic tucked away in his cellar.

Hybrid Wheat Seeding Operations Under Way Federation To Follow

Farmers in the Athena district are preparing for seeding Hybrid wheat. The soil is in proper condition for killing weeds and receiving grain from the drills. Hybrid wheat will stand earlier seeding than Federation, and the farmers who will sow the former variety, will begin operations at once.

Seed wheat is being treated now for smut prevention, and a number of new drills have been purchased by those who will for the first time seed their acreage with tractor-drawn outfits.

The sowing of Federation will begin later on account of the quick growth of this variety. It is said that early sown Federation is more susceptible to injury from frost than if sown later in the fall. It is estimated that of the two varieties about half the Athena acreage will be sown to Federation this fall.

With employment of a large number of tractors in this section, the season of soil cultivation and seeding operations will be shorter than usual.

Tentative Potato Show Dates

Weston Leader: Dates suggested for the annual Umatilla county potato show at Weston are the 16th and 17th of November. The idea is to hold the show later than usual in order to give the mountain growers a better chance to get their exhibits in, and also to accommodate Yakima growers who want to attend the show but found the former dates inconvenient. If these dates are adopted, the Weston show will be sandwiched in between the Portland Livestock exposition, which comes the week before and the Spokane potato show, which is held a week later.

One Hundred Per Cent

The Baptist church is out for a one hundred per cent attendance at Sunday school next Sunday mornning. A special program is being arranged for the occasion. Miss Alberta Kirby will be at the piano and Kohler Betts will sing. Each department of the Sunday school will participate in the program.

Preview of Picture

Outdoor scenes for a western picture now being filmed at points on the Umatilla river by Director O'Brien, in which Amie Bergevin is the featured actor were previewed at the Standard Theatre, Monday evening.