

Telephone Users At Central Point Join New Exchange

Central Point — Telephone subscribers here last night had their new telephone instruments activated and joined to the nation-wide Bell network through the Pacific Telephone and Telegraph company.

Phone users here have been served by independent companies since telephone service was inaugurated some 55 years ago—and most of the time by the Central Point Mutual Telephone company, which sold its facilities to the PTT.

The changeover means that subscribers will have dial telephones, rather than hand-cranked instruments, and for long-distance service will have the PTT services at their disposal.

Normandy Prefix
Central Point exchange will have the prefix NO (rmandy) 4, and all numbers will start with these two letters and one number. Directories for subscribers have been distributed, and are available on request to subscribers in Medford and elsewhere in the exchange area.

From now on, Central Point subscribers wishing to dial Medford, should dial the number 7, followed by the Medford number they wish.

Medford subscribers wishing to dial Central Point should dial the number 3, followed by NO-4, and then the number of the party they wish, or a total of eight turns of the dial.

In Central Point, the fire number (both city and rural) is Normandy 4-2244. The city hall and police number is NO4-2794.

PTT to Purchase Phoenix 'Phones

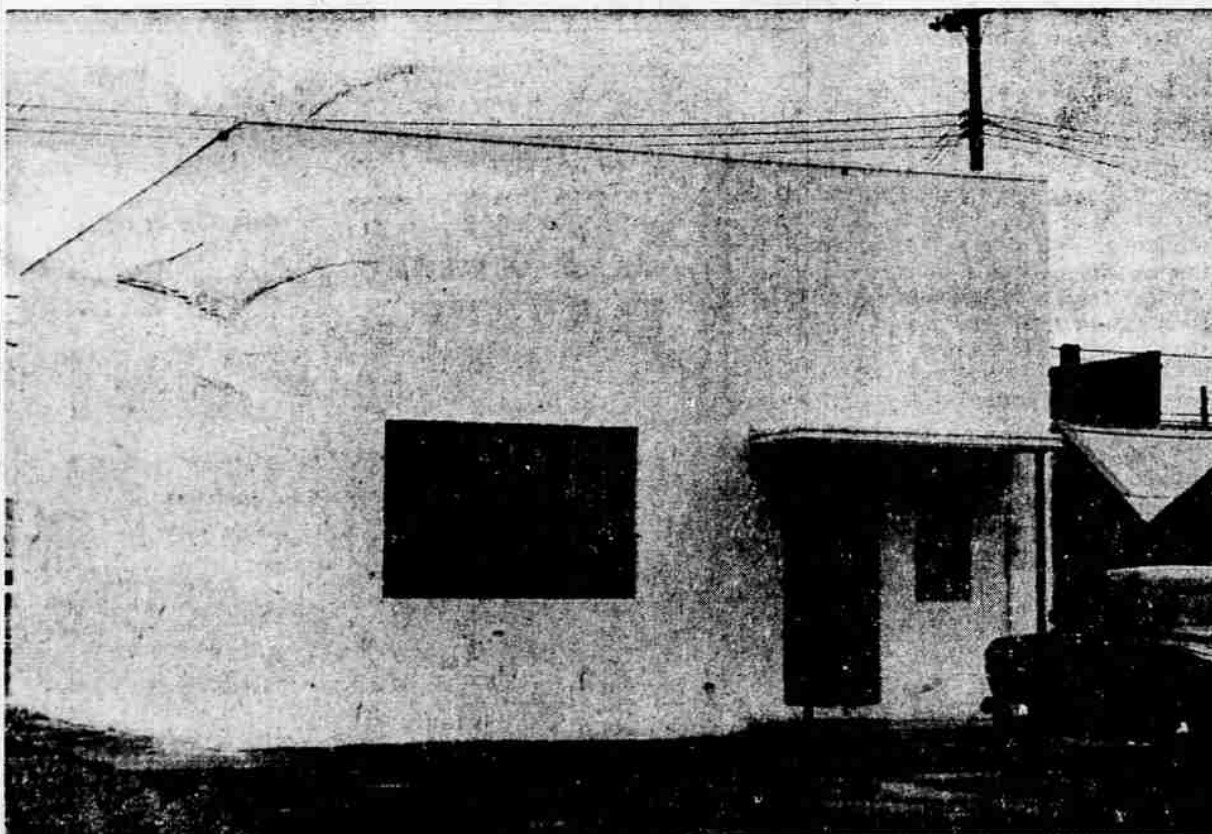
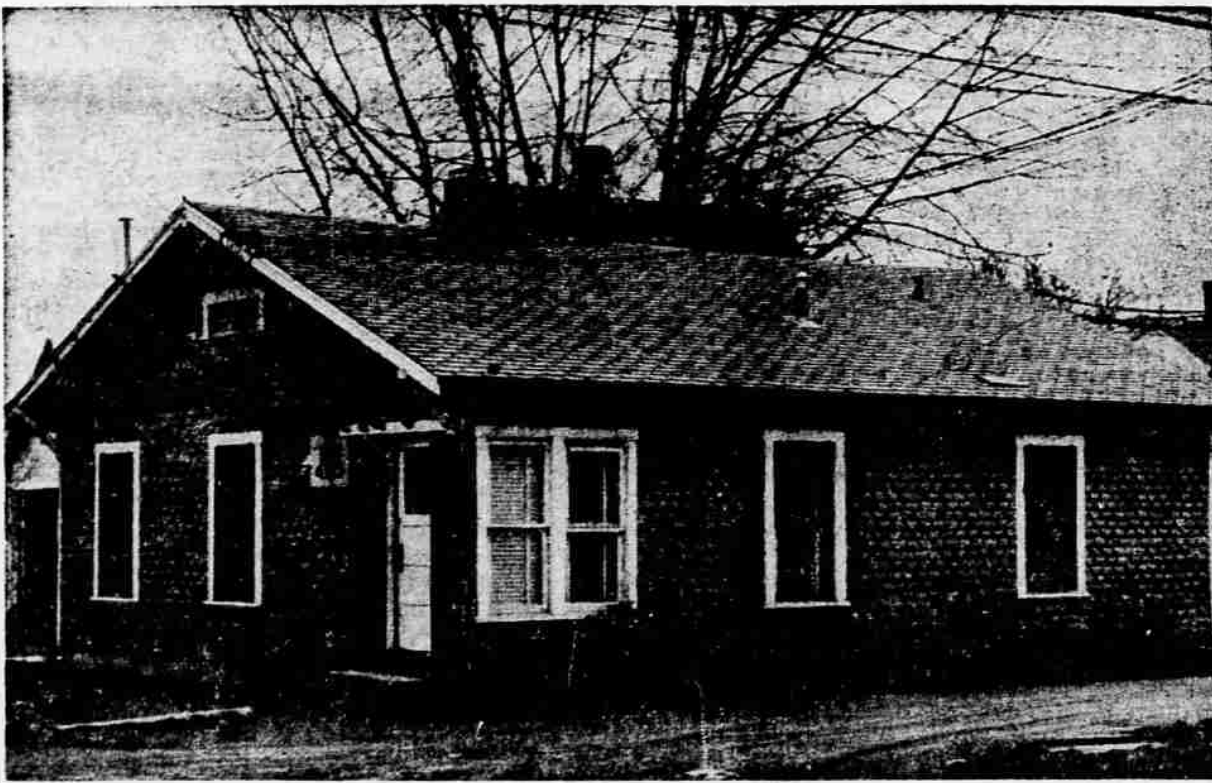
Phoenix — The Phoenix Rural Telephone company Friday night voted to accept the offer of the Pacific Telephone and Telegraph company to purchase its equipment and serve its subscribers.

The firm, which was organized in 1909, serves about 69 telephone subscribers in the area around Phoenix. Damon Floyd is president.

Jack Creager, manager of PTT for the Medford-Ashland area, said Saturday that work will begin immediately installing new telephone instruments in the residences formerly served by the small independent company. The firm has operated eight "farm line service" lines, he said.

Because of the rapid development of the area, much of the line service of the small company ad of PTT were duplicated, and the company decided it would be to the best interests of all concerned to let the PTT take over the service.

Nicosia, Cyprus — (U.P.)—Terrorists unleashed a coordinated bombing attack on military installations, a police station and Radio Cyprus early Friday. It was the first widespread violence since Greece made its claim to this British bastion in the Mediterranean. At least one person was killed and one injured. The government reported a number of arrests.



OLD AND NEW OFFICES — The office used for many years by the Central Point Mutual Telephone company is shown above and the new exchange building of the Pacific Telephone and Telegraph company is shown below.

low. PTT took over service in the Central Point area, after almost 55 years of service from independent companies. The CP firm is thought to have been formed about 1908. —(Cuts courtesy Central Point American.)

Brucellosis Control Reorganization Plan In County Announced

A reorganization of the brucellosis, or Bang's disease, control program in Jackson county was announced here Friday by County Commissioner Chester Wendt.

Under the new setup, the county court will be in charge of the program, and the county will be divided into three districts.

Two of the districts will be operated the same as in the past. They will be Districts 2 and 3.

In District 2, which includes approximately the southeast quarter of the county, Dr. Walter W. Weller will be in charge of testing and vaccinating all cattle.

In District 3, which includes approximately the southwest quarter of the county, Dr. Stanley Phillips will be in charge of testing and vaccinating all cattle.

Federal District

District 2 has been changed to a federal district. In it, Dr. K. C. Farley will continue to test dairy cattle, and Dr. E. M. Hannawalt,

Dr. George N. Gitzen, Dr. G. A. Gitzen, and Dr. William J. Gitzen have been assigned to test and vaccinate beef cattle.

Previously Dr. Hannawalt and Dr. George N. Gitzen have been serving as county veterinarians without being assigned to a specific district. The change was required to conform to law.

Wendt stated that Dr. A. G. Beagle, federal veterinarian in charge of brucellosis and tuberculosis control, stationed in Portland, has announced he will appoint a supervising federal veterinarian for this area. The new man will do no testing, but will act as Beagle's representative here. Dr. Farley will continue as federal as well as county veterinarian for the county.

Wendt noted that under the new plan, it still will be possible for stockmen to request and obtain the services of the veterinarian of their choice.

Strike of Astoria Ferry Operators Delayed by Union

Astoria — (U.P.) — A possible strike against ferry service here over a dispute between Astoria Navigation company and the AFL Inland Boatmen's union has been postponed, it was reported Saturday.

The ferry M. R. Chessman, number one ferry on the Astoria-Megler Columbia river crossing, is not involved. The dispute involves elimination of one deckhand from the crew of the ferries Tourist No. 2 and Tourist Number 3.

Two Tied Up
The Chessman will go on the run Sunday while the other two boats will be tied up. The union agreed to take no immediate action but instead will try to negotiate the issue with the company in mid-April.

The dispute is an outgrowth of a Coast Guard order that an extra pilot be carried on the two ferries. It arose shortly after the company added the extra pilots but dropped one deckhand from each of the ferries. This leaves the two ferries with only one deckhand instead of two. The union said this violates its contract.

Salem — (U.P.)—Articles of incorporation were filed here Friday for the Prospect Volunteer Fire Department, Inc., of Prospect, Jackson county. They were signed by Louis Biden, Eugene Burrill, L. E. Clevenberg, Billy Morris and Frank Boothby.

Dead line Sunday Classified is at noon Saturday; 1 a.m. Monday for Monday; other days 5:30 previous day.

Progress Toward Two-Price Wheat Seen by Officials

Washington — (U.P.) — Two Oregon wheat officials headed for home Saturday after a three-week visit to the nation's capital in which they said they believed they had made progress toward a so-called two-price plan for wheat.

Marion Weatherford, Arlington, and Jack Smith, Condon, represented the National Association of Wheat Growers as well as their own groups. Weatherford is chairman of the Oregon Wheat commission and Smith heads the federal programs committee of the Oregon Wheat league.

In Better Position
They said they were not claiming victory for the two-price plan, or domestic parity plan as they prefer to call it. But they said that it seemed to be in a better position in Congress. The plan is scheduled for consideration in the House as part of House bill 12.

Both expressed concern that the plan may be lost in the controversy over that bill between advocates of high supports and advocates of low supports.

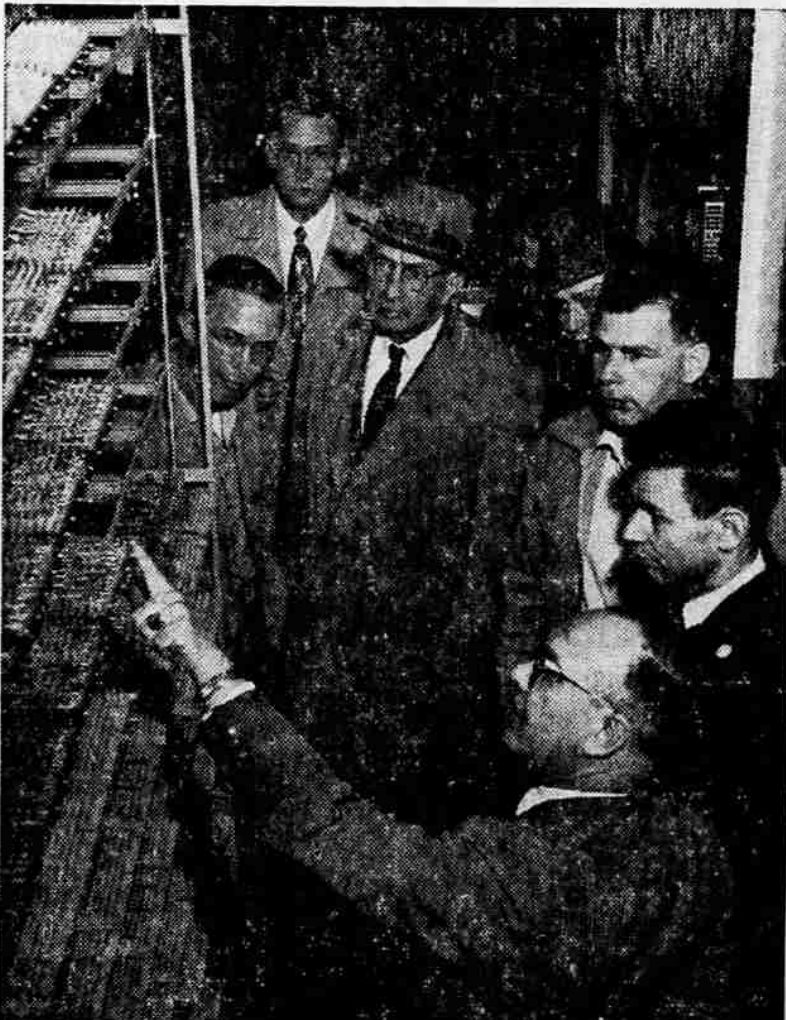
Sams Valley Home Destroyed by Fire

Sams Valley — Mr. and Mrs. Don Golden and family lost their home and all their clothing and



GET NEW INSTRUMENT — The two youngsters in the Bishop family are inspecting the new telephone instrument installed recently by Bud Ricks, installer-repairman for the Pacific Telephone and Telegraph company, at their Central Point residence. Mrs. Bishop supervises. Most Central Point subscribers

have had two telephone instruments in recent weeks, one hand-crank 'phone for service with the Central Point Mutual Telephone company, which went out of business last night, and the other, the new dial telephones of the PTT, which went into service last night.



NEW INSTALLATION — Members of the Medford subsection of the American Institute of Electrical Engineers recently inspected the new office of the Pacific Telephone and Telegraph company at Central Point, during an "open house" held for the AIEE. Shown are, extreme rear, Dwayne Anselm; at left, Bob Smith; in center, with hat and coat, R. S. Daniels, retired electrical engineer formerly with the California Oregon Power company; at right in hat, Les Stinson, and, from rear to front, Don Cobligh, Bill Brown and Carrol Judy, chief switchman for PTT here who is showing the others the new switching equipment. About 25 members of the group attended the open house.

furnishings Friday morning when their home burned to the ground.

The family was away at the time of the fire and its origin was not determined, according to a report of the fire made by friends. It is believed the house was partially covered by insurance. A tool shed also was burned.

Residents of the area are collecting items and money to re-establish the family, and donations can be made at the Sams Valley school or at the Gilbert Mack home in Sams Valley.

In the family are two girls, ages 7 and 3, and two boys, ages 5 and 6. Mrs. Golden wears size 14 clothing and Golden is of a medium build, about 5 feet 8 inches tall.

The family is in need of clothing, bedding, dishes, kitchen utensils, household furnishings and other items.

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4-H Club News

4-H Youth

A meeting of the 4-H Youth group is planned for April 11. The last meeting of the organization was held at Bigham hall on March 14 when a discussion was conducted regarding who will raise a calf to be given away by the March of Dimes.

Lottie Mae Combs
Reporter

AFL Plumbers Strike

Grants Pass — (U.P.)—Plumbing in this area was slowed Saturday as AFL plumbers were on strike against five contractors.

The union is asking for a 10-cent hourly increase plus a clause forbidding master plumbers from renting out tools of the trade.

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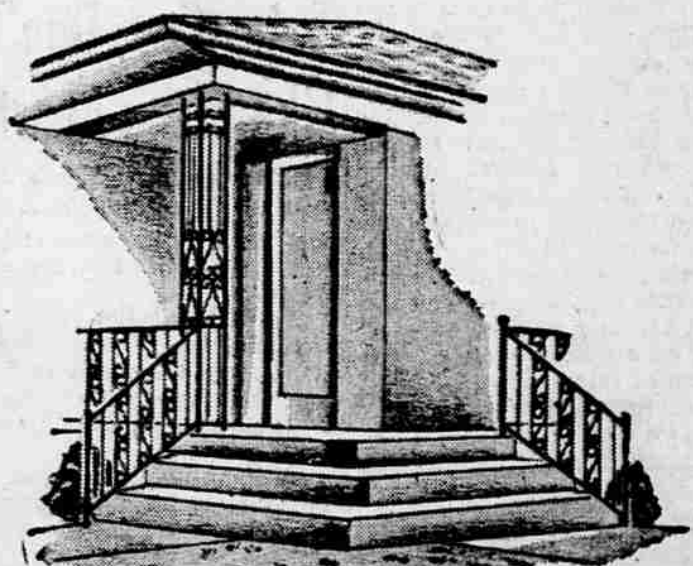
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