

The Norfolk News

Growing Use of Telephones.

In spite of disappointments and dissatisfaction, says the New York Sun, America is the foremost country of the world in the art of telephony, and in many particulars it has so far surpassed European countries that no comparison is possible. This is especially true of the long-distance service, which affords connections between thirty-eight exchange companies having 410,000 subscribers, and includes in its equipments more than 10,000 miles of pole lines, carrying nearly 125,000 miles of wire and connecting 285 offices. It is possible for persons 2,000 miles apart to hold conversation over the lines of this company with as much clearness and distinctness as if they were separated by only 100 yards. In Europe the longest telephone connection thus far attempted is only 850 miles. The long-distance system in this country has been developed at an expenditure of \$15,000,000, for line construction, equipment, franchises and supplies. It is the main artery in the Bell structure, and is expected to prove the most important feature of the system in the impending struggle of the Bell interests to maintain their supremacy in the large cities of the country.

Last year the exchanges operated under the Bell patents employed 1,248,846 instruments, an increase of 205,725 over the previous year, and a gain of 392,154 telephones since the present organization was effected in 1880. In that year the American Bell Telephone company began business with 132,692 instruments connected by 28,316 miles of wire in the several exchanges then established. The most interesting statistics upon the telephone industry are those which mark its gradual development since 1884, when a systematic collection of data pertaining to the subject was begun. The company had 97,423 circuits and 123,625 stations established in 1884 and the business was divided among 906 exchanges, the entire force employed numbering 4,762 men, women and children. Today the pay roll contains 19,668 names; there are 465,180 stations connected by 772,989 miles of wire and 1,126 exchanges and 1,008 branch offices included in the system. These figures convey an idea of the enormous growth of the business in the last fifteen years, but they fail entirely to show the importance of this method of communication in the daily commercial and social life of the nation. A better illustration is afforded by the fact that last year 1,231,000,000 connections were made through exchanges in this country, or 3,823,700 daily conversations as estimated from the actual count in many of the cities of the country. The use of the toll-line system, connecting city exchanges with suburban points, has also greatly increased, the number of connections thus made during the last year being 30,600,000. This is entirely independent of the long-distance service, and furnishes another proof of the growing importance of this method of communication as a social factor. The number of subscribers furnished last year was increased by nearly 81,000, which is certainly a remarkable showing when it is remembered that the Bell exchanges lost many thousands of patrons through competition.

It must be remembered, too, that the independent telephone movement which has been growing rapidly since the expiration of the fundamental Bell patents, six years ago, has assumed important proportions and that its promoters and supporters have established in the neighborhood of 3,000 exchanges throughout the country. Naturally many of these are in small places where the Bell company's rates had proved an insurmountable barrier, but others are in towns where exchanges have been in operation. The low rates of the anti-Bell companies have greatly stimulated the business and placed the service within the reach of many who could not afford the Bell prices. In spite of the reduction in prices the character of the service has been improved as competition has made it necessary for the Bell company to use inventions and improvements that otherwise would have been buried. This was the policy of the Bell management during the period when it enjoyed monopoly, but this course had to be abandoned as soon as the independent movement got fairly under way.

An exchange says, "It is a pitiable fact that mothers will trust their daughters to the care of worthless young men, whom the fathers would not even trust with the family carriage horse." This is a sad fact and one which mothers can well afford to take time to consider. The father is naturally the best judge of a young man's character as the mother is that of a young woman. If more care were exercised in the selection of a young girl's company there would be fewer cases of a scandalous nature as that which has thrown Norfolk society into a tumult during the past few weeks and which is occupying the attention of other communities in various parts of the state and nation. The character of a young lady is her best treasure and one which her lawful protectors cannot afford to have contaminated by unworthy associations.

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TUESDAY TOPICS.

H. Ingersoll of Creighton was a city visitor yesterday.

Mrs. John Sutherland of Battle Creek was a visitor in the city yesterday.

Ed. Stephens and M. D. Milligan of Winslow were city visitors yesterday.

H. Tronepohl, a Clearwater farmer, bought a buggy and made other purchases in Norfolk yesterday.

Louis and John Ray shipped four carloads of steers to Omaha this morning. Geo. Williams also shipped a carload of "critters."

Miss Lizzie Tatman left on the 10:40 train over the Union Pacific for Cheyenne, Wyo., where she will spend the summer.

Mrs. Cora A. Beels arrived in Chicago yesterday where she will take an advanced course in the Sherwood school of music, also study kindergarten work.

Wilmot Lemont Barnes, who is visiting his cousins here, was quite painfully burned on the right hand this morning, while playing with a toy cannon.

Conductor Young who takes Geo. Carter's run over the M. & O. between Norfolk and Sioux City, will occupy the Mittelstadt house, corner Tenth street and Madison avenue some time this week.

The enterprising city of Creighton is one of the places where the eagle will be permitted to scream to his fill. A. P. Schneider of that place is now in the city advertising the sights and sounds that will predominate on the Fourth.

Judge Wm. V. Allen of Madison held a short term of court in the city yesterday to hear arguments in a case from Pierce county. The case was not completed owing to the fact that the judge was compelled to take the evening train for Neligh where he presides over an adjourned term of district court.

The rains are not only booming the vegetation wanted by humanity but also that which is not. Weeds in many places are assuming the proportions of young but vigorous trees. A campaign with a sharp scythe by property owners at this time will obviate the necessity of using an ax some time in the future to remove this obnoxious growth.

A quintet of young folks consisting of Messrs. Henry Bovee, G. H. Whaley, Guy Fox and Misses Irene Dexter and Edith McClary met with all kinds of trouble while returning home from the dance at Maas' hall last night in a hack, or rather the first four had the trouble after Miss McClary had been taken home in safety. In going to Miss Dexter's home the hackman was evidently confused by the storm then raging and instead of driving north on Tenth street, went up Eleventh. On the hill south of the stand pipe the horses stalled and in order to complete the journey the driver turned them out onto what he supposed was the grassy side of the road but which proved to be a steep embankment. The result was that the vehicle was overturned, the hackman being pinned beneath the wreck. The gentlemen inside the hack succeeded in gaining their freedom and stepped into the road, or rather a mud puddle. They then released the hackman and escorted Miss Dexter home. The heavy rain that prevailed and the clinging, yellow mud through which they toiled made the four a sight to behold when they arrived in the light, where they were able to admire themselves and be admired. They do not care to have the experience repeated soon again.

WEDNESDAY WRINKLES.

John Hertz was in the city yesterday from Closter.

C. F. Raek of Stanton was a Norfolk visitor yesterday.

C. H. Howard was in the city from Stanton yesterday.

It hasn't rained in this vicinity for more than 24 hours.

The 16-year-old son of Henry Koechler, living six miles east of the city, is quite ill with diphtheria.

Conductor G. Heckman and family returned Sunday from a pleasant trip into northern Wisconsin.

Mrs. E. W. Stevens and son Loran, Mrs. Weitz and Myrna Wright were passengers for Madison this morning.

Frank McCullen, a barber from Meadow Grove, was in the city yesterday looking for work at his profession.

Miss Marie Miller of this city and Miss Ida Ulrich of Pierce will open dress making parlors at that place this week.

While in the country yesterday A. Karo was taken suddenly sick and was brought home by a farmer. He is fully recovered today.

Rev. J. B. Leedom was the guest of H. P. Freeland over night, returning home today. He is suffering from quite a severe attack of the quinsy.

Principal Whitehead of the Elgin schools passed through the city today on his way to Lincoln where he will take a course of instruction in the university summer school.

N. S. Lowry arrived at noon from O'Neill and is the guest of Rev. S. F. Sharpless. He came down to meet with the board of home missions of the Presbyterian church.

Rev. W. F. Williams of Aten was the guest of Rev. J. J. Parker over night. He left this morning for a few days' visit at Humphrey and will return and spend the Fourth here.

C. S. Hayes has arranged to return the two little colored boys adopted some time ago by Mrs. Coleman to the headquarters of the Nebraska Children's Home society at Omaha.

The people are glad to see a gang at work cleaning the street. Their cup of satisfaction would be almost full if the vigorous weeds on some of the streets where laid low by the same or another gang. This will probably be attended to soon.

Complaint is made to THE NEWS that a number of boys in the Third ward have been shooting at marks with target rifles without regard for the law or the interests of people living there. The practice not only results in frightening horses but it is dangerous to life and property. Unless it is stopped it is probable that the officers of the law may be notified and the offenders arrested. If the boys must shoot they should at least go outside the limits where they can do no damage.

Rev. H. S. Barget of Delmar, Iowa, arrived in the city yesterday to visit a few days with relatives. He states that Nebraska has made a wonderful advancement in the opinion of eastern people within the past year or two, regarding it as a safe place for investments and loans. As for crop prospects, this state is far ahead of eastern Iowa in most particulars. The severe cold of last winter proved more disastrous there than here. It destroyed their clover fields, which with them is a staple crop; ruined strawberry beds and other crops, and in many instances killed trees and hedges. The corn and small grain prospects in this section of the state are much better than in Iowa.

The local committee, which had charge of the weissenfest held in Rhelnow's grove last Sunday, completed its settlement last night and is prepared to state exactly what the orphans' home is gaining. The total receipts from all sources were \$2,565.98. The expenses were \$758.30, leaving the neat sum of \$1,807.68 as profit, which will be sent to the treasurer of the orphans' home today. The Fremont Tribune states that the picnic "proved to be the most successful, at least in point of attendance, of any yet given," thus confirming the estimate of the people here. To give an idea of the magnitude of the affair it may be stated that 114 cases or 2,736 bottles of pop alone were sold. The refreshment stands and dining tables took in \$1,045.18.

Exposition Opens Saturday, July 1st, 1899.
Grand parade; good music; Dan Godfrey's Military Band and scores of others; good orators; excellent exhibits; hundreds of new features; big fireworks in evening; biggest and best exposition ever given in the west.
County Commissioners.
MADISON, Neb., June 19, 1899, at 1 p. m.—Board of county commissioners met in regular session. H. W. Winter and John J. Hughes present. Chairman A. C. Johnson being absent, H. W. Winter acted in his stead.
The minutes of last meeting were read and approved except as to claim of Wilson Cloyd \$14 partially allowed against taxes of W. W. Cloyd which was found to be erroneous and the clerk was directed to change the order drawn for taxes to \$1.35 and draw a warrant in favor of Wilson Cloyd for the sum of \$12.67.
On motion claims were allowed as follows:
Jacob Dometschauer, ditching in road at Maas' slough, \$2.75.
Otto and Chas. Ellgen, ditching, \$26.50.
C. E. Speece, ditching, \$4.50.
Carl Bathke, ditching, \$3, less personal tax 25 cents, balance \$2.75.
Carl Wilde, county treasurer, account tax Carl Bathke 25 cents.
Adam Reiland, ditching \$14.75, less personal tax \$4.84 balance \$9.91.
Carl Wilde, county treasurer, account tax A. Reiland 1898, \$4.84.
E. G. Heilman, county clerk, express, freight, etc., \$36.30.
F. Gall, work on bridge, \$5.
L. B. Baker, lumber for bridges, \$6.66.
State Journal Co., metal book case, \$100.
Wm. Brummond, repairing bridges, \$23.25 less personal tax \$8.17, balance \$15.08.
Carl Wilde, county treasurer, account tax Wm. Brummond \$8.17.
Western Wheeled Scraper Co., repairs, \$13.50.
H. W. Winter, express on repairs, \$3.45.
Fremont Tribune, books and supplies, \$45.21.
Herman Krueger, work on riprap, \$3.75.
On motion board adjourned for supper and met at 8 p. m. All members present.
On motion claims were allowed as follows:
L. C. Mittelstadt, lumber for bridges, \$116.68.
O. Pearson, seven wolf scalps, \$14.
On motion the bond of Arthur J. Koenigstein deputy sheriff was approved.
Assessors claims were on motion allowed as follows:
Seb. Felling, Green Garden precinct, \$64.50.
John Crook, Deer Creek precinct, \$69.80.

David Whitla, Valley precinct, \$72.50.
B. B. McGinnis, Warnerville precinct, \$80.
Wm. Hayden, Grove precinct, \$97.30, less personal tax \$6.75, balance \$90.55.
Carl Wilde, county treasurer, account tax Wm. Hayden, \$6.75.
John Jostes, Kalamazoo precinct, \$97.60, less personal tax \$4.85, balance \$92.75.
Carl Wilde, county treasurer, account tax John Jostes, \$4.85.
Dan Mahoney, Fairview precinct, \$101.50, less personal tax \$6.55, balance \$94.95.
Carl Wilde, county treasurer, account tax Dan Mahoney \$6.55.
C. F. Richardson, Highland precinct, \$108.90.
J. F. Osborn, Schoolcraft precinct, \$111.40.
J. W. McCallum, Emerick precinct, \$112.50, less expense of copying and correcting \$9, balance \$103.50.
Lars M. Vaage, Shell Creek precinct, \$124.60.
John Malone, Union precinct, \$137, less personal tax \$26.80, balance \$110.20.
Carl Wilde, county treasurer, account tax John Malone \$26.80.
T. D. Preece, Battle Creek precinct, \$146.
A. Minkler, Burnett precinct, \$167, less personal tax \$3.10, balance \$163.90.
Carl Wilde, county treasurer, account tax A. Minkler \$3.10.
Phil Bauch, Madison precinct, \$224.
S. L. Gardner, Norfolk precinct, \$760, less personal tax \$1.35, balance \$758.65.
Carl Wilde, county treasurer, account tax S. L. Gardner \$1.35.
Other claims were allowed as follows:
Dr. P. H. Salter, medical attendance to Bridgeford family, \$26.
J. B. Donovan, stationery and printing, \$27.75 less personal tax \$6.10, balance \$21.65.
Carl Wilde, county treasurer, account tax J. B. Donovan \$6.10.
Fremont Wheeler, services as special bailiff five days, \$10.
C. W. Crum, county superintendent, salary for May \$100.
Carl Wilde, county treasurer, commission to collectors, exchange etc., \$24.15.
Ez Rowlett, bounty on timber for 1895, 1896 and 1899 \$30, applied on personal tax.
Carl Wilde, county treasurer, account tax Ez Rowlett \$30.
On motion board adjourned until 8 a. m. tomorrow.
Board met at 8 a. m. June 20, 1899.
On motion claims were allowed as follows:
L. M. Johnson, repairing and grading to bridges, \$30 less personal tax \$8.85, balance \$21.15.
Carl Wilde, county treasurer, account tax L. M. Johnson \$8.85.
Gaut Vaage, work on county line bridge, \$4.
Perkins Bros., supplies, \$21.20.
Joseph Sheets, work on bridge, \$10.
S. W. Duell, timber used in riprap, \$25.
A. C. Johnson, county commissioner, per diem and mileage, \$120.50.
H. W. Winter, per diem and mileage, etc., \$158.30.
John J. Hughes, county commissioner, salary and mileage, \$150.90.
Wm. Bates, postage etc., \$15.30.
Gust Kaul, janitor salary for April and May, \$90.
A. E. Crooks, ditching, \$13.83.
Antelope county, one-half cost of repairing county line bridges, \$42.
On motion the county treasurer was ordered to transfer from the 1897 to the 1898 general fund the sum of \$3,500.
On motion board adjourned for dinner and met at 1 p. m.

The certificate of H. F. Barney, president of the Madison County Agricultural society, stating that the treasury of said society contains the sum of \$50, was received and the clerk instructed to issue a warrant in favor of said president for the sum of \$44.30.
Claims were allowed as follows:
James B. Hume, lumber for bridges, \$45.45.
James B. Hume, coal for county, \$39.85.
M. Halpin, grading to bridges, \$11.50, less personal tax \$7.10, balance \$4.40.
Carl Wilde, county treasurer, account tax M. Halpin, \$7.10.
Peter Muff, ditching at Maas' slough, \$12.75.
Brausch & Rees, coal for relief purposes, \$80.50.
Chris. Schavland, postage, express, etc., \$13.30.
Hammond Bros., books and stationery, \$10.50.
John Edwards, livery hire for commissioners, \$1.50.
P. E. Kampman, 3 wolf scalps, \$14.00.
C. Wheeler, 3 wolf scalps, \$6.00.
A. M. Jones, 7 wolf scalps, \$14.00.
Jacob N. Maurer, 4 wolf scalps, \$8.00.
Herman Lewis, 1 wolf scalp, \$2.00.
A. C. Williams, 1 wolf scalp, \$2.00, applied on personal tax.
Carl Wilde, county treasurer, account tax A. C. Williams, \$2.00.
Bert Hooker, 12 wolf scalps, \$24.00.
N. F. Richardson, 8 wolf scalps, \$16.00.
Gust Kaul, one night special bailiff, \$2.00.

The matter of the road petitioned for by J. F. Reeves and others, running on section line between sections 10 and 15 in township 22, range 3, west, was taken up and the county board having ordered that the said road be opened for public travel; and it appearing that said road has been advertised and notice

given according to statute; and no objections or claims for damages having been filed, the said road was declared open and established and the county clerk was instructed to enter the same on the plat book and record the same as provided by statute.

On motion board adjourned to meet on the 6th day of July, 1899 at 1 p. m. for the purpose of checking up treasurer's semi-annual statement and auditing fee books of county officials.

E. G. HEILMAN,
County Clerk.

Received Norfolk Contribution.

The following acknowledgement of the receipt of the donation contributed by the people of Norfolk to the cyclone sufferers at Herman has been received:

HERMAN, Neb., June 27, 1899.—J. E. Simpson, Mayor, Norfolk, Neb.—Dear Sir: Received your draft for \$129.25, which was accepted in the spirit in which it was offered and beg to assure you and your people that you have the many thanks of Herman people for your sympathetic words and kind deeds.

The town is recovering slowly from the awful shock and there are a good many buildings going up, some temporary and some permanent ones, but a great many of the families are still living in tents provided by the governor. Again thanking you and your fellow citizens for your great kindness in time of need, I am

Yours respectfully,
E. W. BURDIE,
Mayor.

In addition to the above amount there has since been sent \$19 and small amounts are still coming in, which are being received by Mr. Luikurt and will be forwarded to Mr. Burdick.

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On June 20, July 4 and 18, August 1 and 15, 1899, the Missouri Pacific Railway company will sell homeseekers excursion tickets to certain points in the southwestern parts of Missouri, Kansas, Arkansas, Indian Territory, Oklahoma Territory, Colorado and Utah, and to many other points located in the southeastern states. At rate of one fare for the round trip, plus \$2. For further information, address.

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Letter List.

List of letters remaining uncalled for at the postoffice June 26, 1899:

Ralph Cassity, Geo. Clinton, Lyman Davis, R. L. DeForest, Hulda Hageliet, Ethel Hageliet, Jacob Horst, P. S. Macy, Jack McGrare, Martha McGinnis, Jessie Siems, Jesse Smothers.

If not called for in 30 days will be sent to the dead letter office.

Parties calling for any of the above please say advertised.

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Women suffering from female troubles and weakness, and from irregular or painful menses, ought not to lose hope if doctors cannot help them. Physicians are so busy with other diseases that they do not understand fully the peculiar ailments and the delicate organism of woman. What the sufferer ought to do is to give a fair trial to

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Via Illinois Central Railway.

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Also Pullman sleepers through from Sioux City to Detroit on the same trains the following date, to leave Sioux City at 7:00 p. m. July 5th and arrive at Detroit 6 p. m. of July 6th.

A postal card addressed to the undersigned will secure for you full particulars as to this service, sleeper rates, reservations, railway fare, limits of tickets, excursion rates for side trips from Detroit, and folders descriptive of the beautiful city of Detroit.

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Cancer can not be cured by a surgical operation, because the disease is a virulent poison in the blood, circulating throughout the system, and although the sore or ulcer—known as the Cancer—may be cut away, the poison remains in the blood, and promptly breaks out afresh, with renewed violence.

The wonderful success of S. S. S. in curing obstinate, deep-seated blood diseases which were considered incurable, induced a few despairing sufferers to try it for Cancer, after exhausting the skill of the physicians without a cure. Much to their delight S. S. S. proved equal to the disease and promptly effected a cure. The glad news spread rapidly, and it was soon demonstrated beyond doubt that a cure had at last been found for deadly Cancer. Evidence has accumulated which is incontrovertible, of which the following is a specimen:

"Cancer is hereditary in our family, my father, a sister and an aunt having died from this dreadful disease. My feelings may be imagined when the horrible disease made its appearance on my side. It was a malignant Cancer, eating inwardly in such a way as to cause great alarm. The disease seemed beyond the skill of the doctors, for their treatment did no good whatever. The Cancer grew worse all the while. Numerous remedies were used for it, but the Cancer grew steadily worse, until it seemed that I was doomed to follow the others of the family, for I know how deadly Cancer is, especially when inherited. I was advised to try Swift's Specific (S. S. S.), which, from the first day, forced out the poison. I continued its use until I had taken eighteen bottles, when I was cured sound and well, and have had no symptoms of the dreadful affliction though many years have elapsed. S. S. S. is the only cure for Cancer.—Mrs. S. M. IDOL, Winston, N. C.

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