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NEW ZEALAND OFFICIAL LAUDS U. S. TELEPHONES

Government System Head Would Adopt Methods Used By Americans.

The telephone service in the United States "is recognised as the most efficient service in the world," declared the Hon. J. G. Coates, Postmaster-General of the Dominion of New Zealand, in a discussion of certain proposed changes in the regulations and charges of the New Zealand telephone system, which is operated as a part of the Post Office Department of the Dominion Government.

Mr. Coates voiced high hopes for the future of the telephone service under his direction, and even expressed the opinion that "within a reasonable time New Zealand subscribers can expect an exchange service . . . equal to that in the United States of America."

"It has been the desire of my principal departmental officers for some considerable time," the Postmaster-General declared, "to provide an efficient and popular telephone service to equitably meet all conditions." He added that he expected the amended regulations and charges would materially assist in that direction.

According to the latest statistics on the subject, however, New Zealand has fewer than eight telephones for each 100 of population, as against thirteen telephones per 100 people in the United States. In fact the entire Dominion of New Zealand has fewer telephones than the City of Minneapolis.

FINDS ANCIENT ARAB IS TELEPHONE STOCK OWNER

The Christian Science Monitor quotes from a book by George Blake Dexter, entitled, "The Lure of Amateur Collecting," an interesting and unusual incident. The author, while traveling in Arabia, was invited by an Arab friend to visit the house of his father. After describing his ceremonious introduction to the home, he said:

"Presently a major-domo came and led me through a long hall and into a small room.

"Reclining on a couch was my host, a fine-looking Arab with snow-white beard and dressed in a long garment of plum-colored silk lined with light yellow. He bowed most courteously and motioned me to sit or recline on a couch opposite.

"Much to my astonishment he spoke excellent English and asked me about America. Then without a change of expression, he said, 'What can you tell me about Tel. and Tel. stock?'

"I was thunderstruck.

"Then he explained.

"'My broker in Paris, who advises me, some years ago recommended me to invest in Tel. and Tel.; so I did and it turned out well. I only fear that some day they may invent something better.'

"My assurance seemed to please him, and we drifted into the usual conversation of two people from the opposite ends of the world."

WOODPECKER'S AND LIGHTNING RUIN MANY TELEPHONE POLES

A news item from Olympia, Wash., states that 20,000 cedar telephone poles in that state are being replaced and that two out of every ten have been rendered unfit for service by two causes, woodpeckers and lightning. The white-headed woodpecker has an avidity for boring the poles full of holes. As cedar is not attacked by insects, naturalists advance the theory that the woodpecker digs the holes as storage places for nuts, berries and other food.

In the foothills of the mountain ranges lightning plays havoc with the telephone poles.

ONE REASON FOR REPORTS OF "TELEPHONE OUT OF ORDER"

In replacing the telephone receiver on its hook hurriedly after a conversation, it happens sometimes that the receiver is allowed to rest on a book or other object, so that the hook remains elevated just as it is when the receiver is off the hook, as a result the signal light on the switchboard does not flash to notify the switchboard operator that the subscriber has finished, the Chesapeake and Potomac Telephone Company states.

When this happens to you, your telephone is cut off and no one can get you. The operator will perceive that something is wrong after a time and try to attract your attention by means of the "howler" which makes an audible sound in your telephone, or she will try to reach you through some other telephone. All this takes a lot of time when she might be serving other subscribers and you have no service until the condition is corrected. In the aggregate much time and service is lost in this way.

In proportion to the population there are ten times as many telephones in the United States as there are in Europe.

The City of Springfield, Massachusetts, which has practically the same population as Auckland, has nearly three times as many telephones as the New Zealand city.

Stock Enjoy Good Bed.

All classes of live stock thoroughly enjoy a good bed. If well bedded they will rest better and make more efficient use of their feed. Careful attention to such details will often result in profit, while neglect of the same will mean a loss.

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cher, by careful planning and forethought will provide for a daily program and have it where all may see for themselves just what they are going to do. This is the only way to SAVE TIME, USE TIME, and to MAKE TIME valuable to the CHILDREN, the SCHOOL, the COMMUNITY. Do YOU have YOUR DAILY SCHEDULE where all may see it at any time and does it show both study and recitation periods? This being done, do you plan in advance of each of these periods so that you are master of the situation?

Summing up:

1. The daily schedule should show both the study and recitation periods.
2. Each assignment should have definite aim or aims.
32. Children should form the habit of studying intensively to master a certain amount or work during a study period.
4. The aim of the pupil and the aim of the teacher may not always be the same.
5. Know when you dismiss the class that your aim has been reached.
6. Children should have no doubts in their minds as to what is expected of them for the next lesson when they leave the class.
7. Do you have your daily schedule posted in your schoolroom? Do the children refer to it and is it a help to you in your daily work?

School Attendance

Beginning with the report for the month of January 1924 only the names of those who are neither absent nor tardy during the month will be published in this department. Previously, the names of those who had missed one day were published together with those who were perfect in attendance. Please let the children know about this so that no one will be dissappointed if his name does not appear.

We think we have a real treat for the boys and girls of Kent County this new year in regard to attendance. Supt. Robinson will send to each teacher a book of Certificates. When a boy or girl has been in school for one month and has been neither absent nor tardy, his teacher will give him one of these certificates signed by herself. When a child has received seven of these certificates he will return them personally to the county school board office to Mr. Robinson and will receive in exchange for them a large certificate nicely lettered and containing the seal of the county, the child's name and how he earned it.

When the child has received three of these large certificates he is then entitled to a diploma containing the county colors, a picture of the county court house and with his name lettered nicely stating that he has received this diploma in honor of his splendid efforts for punctuality and attendance.

If we all work together and get the children to working to see how many certificates they can earn and how quickly, we shall bring the attendance to a higher standard.

Boys and Girls—watch the reports in the Educational column and see where your school stands. If yours is not as high as other schools find out who it is in your school that is pulling down your record. Watch this closely and try to induce those children to come to school. As a rule poor attendance is all a matter of habit. Of course we know we have had epidemics in Kent County this year and those schools have had to report poor attendance. But, we know which schools these are. Barring sickness, there is no good reason why children should be kept out of school. If the boys and girls of the county, in each seperate school, will make this their problem they will be able to raise the standards of the county attendance.

Parent-Teacher Associations—you might well make this one of your objectives for the year. It is absolutely one of the most important things in the life of a child in the progress of the school, generally.

County, State and Nation may cooperate to raise funds to maintain schools but if the children are not there to get the instruction—what good does it all do?

Now, if the boys and girls, the Parent-Teacher Associations and all parents in Kent County will cooperate with the teachers in bringing up

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the attendance record, we shall be willing to guarantee wonderful progress in the schools. But, if the children are not there, we not only cannot teach them but they mar the record for the entire school. In every school the people who are careless about sending their children to school must be reported. The rights of the children must be preserved.

Teachers—The only way we have of knowing who these people are is thru your reports. No one can criticize you for reporting an unlawfully absent pupil because that is one of your duties. Let us all see what we can do to bring up the record of attendance in the Kent County schools so that we shall be proud of it when placed by the side of the records of the other counties of Maryland. There is no reason why Kent County should let any other county surpass it in this part of the work.

The name of every child who makes the effort and is neither absent nor tardy during a month should appear in the Educational Department.

All monthly attendance reports should reach this office not later than the third of each month.

If your report has not reached this office by that date, Mrs. Beck will have to submit her report without yours. Please be prompt so as not to deprive your pupils of entering this Attendance Campaign with a guarantee that they will receive recognition.

Preparing For Shad Season

It is said that fewer preparations than ever before are being made this winter by the local fishermen for the harvest of shad that is due to begin about March 1. With the new year in the past, active work began with the overhauling of nets and boats and continued until every part of the equipment was as "good as new." As far as can be learned from those who follow the industry, there will be few who will again take a chance on what for the last ten seasons has proven a game not worth while and hundreds of boats that have been used in the ... during the bay will lie idle.

WHAT IS A BOY SCOUT?

Scouting Learns Boys Many Things Almost Impossible To Learn Elsewhere



A Scout! He enjoys a hike through the woods more than he does a walk over city's streets. He can tell North or South from the moss that grows on trees, and East from West by the shadows that trunks and branches cast. When matches are forgotten he laughs and proceeds to kindle a fire by rubbing two stricks together, or by striking steel or flint. The fire once started what a breakfast, dinner or supper he can prepare out there in the open. Does he enjoy the meal? Just Watch him and compare his appetite with that of a boy who lounges at a lunch counter in a crowded city.

A scout does not run away or call for help when an accident occurs. He devotes all his strength and energy to assisting those who are in need. If a person has been cut the scout uses his first aid knowledge in stopping the flow of the blood, and gently and carefully bindingup the wound; then if necessary, he seeks other assistance. If a person has been burned, the scout's knowledge tells him how to alleviate the suffering. If any one should be dragged from the water unconscious, a scout at once sets to work to restore respiration and circulation. He knows that not a minute can be lost.

A scout can talk to a brother scout without making a sound, by signalling with flags; or by tapping on a log he can imitate the click of a telegraph key, and in either manner he can spell out words and sentences.

A scout can tie a knot that will hold. he can climb a tree the ascent of which seems impossible to others, he can swim a river, he can patch a tent he can mend a tear in his trousers, he can tell you what weeds are poisonous and what are not, he can sight nut-bearing trees from a distance; he can reef a sail and take his trick at the wheel, and can pull an oar or use paddles and sculls; he knows the stars by name and can find his way by them he can identify birds and animals and fish and knows the ways and habits of each.

A scout is kind to everything that lives. He knows that horses, dogs and cats have their rights and he respects them. A scout prides himself upon doing kind deeds and no day in his life is complete unless he has been of aid to some person. A scout is quick of eye, quick of hearing, and his muscles are well developed. In other words, a scout is natural, and the better the scout the farther he is from the artificial.

A scout never uses alcoholic liquors because he does not wish to poison his body; he desires a clean, active brain and so he avoids tobacco. He never swears, because swearing is a sign of weakness, as well as being sacrilegious.

Every scout, when he enters the movement takes the Scout Oath, which is as follows:

On my honor I will do my best:

To do my duty to God and country, and to obey the Scout Law;

To help other people at all times;

To keep myself physically strong, mentally awake and morally straight.

The Scout Motto

The motto of the Boy Scouts is "Be Prepared," which means that the scout is always in a state of readiness in mind and body to do his duty and meet any emergency.

The Scout Law

There have always been certain written and unwritten laws regulating the conduct and directing the activities of men.

Honor Laws of

All nations have such laws coming down from past ages. The Japanese have their Bushido, or laws of the old Samural warriors. During the middle Ages, the Knights of King Arthur and various crusading orders, such as the Knights Templar, developed in Europe and the Holy Land the laws of chivalry. In aboriginal America, the Red Indians had their code of honor; likewise the Zulus. Hindus, and the later European nations have their ancient codes.

The following laws, which relate to the Boy Scouts of America, are the laws a boy promises to obey when he takes his Scout Oath:

A Scout is trustworty, loyal, helpful, friendly, courteous, kind, obedient, cheerful, thrifty, brave clean and reverent.

—It is generally reported that the McAdoo managers will make a fight at the coming Democratic convention to break the rule by which a two-thirds vote is required to nominate in the De... ventio...

NEW YEAR'S GREETINGS

Once again we all stand on the threshold of a New Year. What will it bring? What has it in store in the way of Prosperty and Happiness.

No one can answer. So we take the optimistic side of the question. We look for a most Happy and Prosperous New Year. With a smile, we face it.

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