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Winter's Storms Take Heavy Toll Of Telephone Lines Throughout The Country

Every Year Sees Millions Spent To Keep Telephone Service Alive Despite Sleet, Wind and Snow.



Not the least of the problems of the Telephone Company is to protect their outside equipment — poles, wires, cables, etc., against the ravages of the elements. The delicate strands of wire which form a nation's communication system must be kept intact 365 days in the year to provide uninterrupted service.

Probably the worst enemy of the telephone man is the sleet storm. Against the menace of a sleet storm such as that which this winter made its way from Texas to the Canadian border, a telephone system has no defense except the foresight of its management and its employees' loyalty, willingness to co-operate and devotion to the public service.

Rain and a freezing temperature—these are the simple elements of a sleet storm. Drops of moisture fall steadily, turning to ice as they cling to any surface upon which they strike. Trees and shrubs sag beneath their crystal coating and every bough and twig sparkles with its gemlike pendants—to the lover of the beautiful, one of the most splendid of nature's fantastic creations.

But to the practical telephone man, this same picturesque deposit of ice means a battle to be fought for the maintenance of service; a battle against heavy odds, calling for every ounce of resourcefulness, of stamina, of grim courage and of devotion to duty he possesses.

For sleet deposits sometimes reach almost unbelievable proportions. In a historic storm in New England in February, 1898, for example, the formation of ice was so astonishing that a plaster cast was made of one of the ice-encased wires by the New England Telephone and Telegraph Company as a permanent record. This cast is now exhibited in the Bell Historical Museum, New York. It shows that the wire, with its coating of ice, weighed 3.2 pounds to the linear foot and 41.64 pounds to the cubic foot. Frequently the cylinder of sleet is accompanied by icicles several inches in length. Translated into terms of telephone plant in actual use, such a deposit of ice may mean that, although the weight of the wires in the normal span between two poles of a 40-wire lead is less than 200 pounds, the ice coating may add a weight of about 15,000 pounds to the load supported by each pole.

This New England storm was, of course, an exceptional case. But even a sleet storm of ordinary severity presents problems which are among the most baffling of all those involved in maintaining uninterrupted telephone service. Pound after pound of ice is added to the normal weight of wires and poles, so that in many cases the wires snap beneath this enormous weight, even if no other factors are involved. If the storm is accompanied or followed by high winds, the danger of breaks becomes more serious still, as it does in the event of protracted periods of low temperature, during which the contraction of the ice-laden wires is likely to cause them to snap. Not infrequently the weight of the ice is such that the poles themselves are broken off and fall to earth, carrying a tangle of wires with them. Even though wires and poles remain intact, the weight of ice sometimes stretches the wires and causes them to sag badly, making replacements necessary.

When a storm sweeps across a section of the country, leaving destruction to telephone equipment in its wake, a complete supply of the materials necessary for relacements must be on hand. In order to prevent delay in the delivery of materials following an emergency, the Bell System maintains a number of storehouses—advance supply bases—at various points throughout the United States.

Of these large supply warehouses there are thirty-one throughout the country. They have been located at strategic points, both circuit congestion and probable storm damage being taken into consideration in selecting the city in which each has been placed. Incidentally, the engineers of the Bell System have made an intensive study of sleet storms, covering a period of twenty-five or thirty years or more. On the walls of the department charged with this branch of research work may be seen huge maps of the system, dotted with glass-headed pins of various colors, each with its own peculiar significance as a record of weather conditions for the area in which it has been placed.

Accordingly, these engineers have arrived at definite conclusions as to the probabilities regarding the prevalence of sleet storms in various parts of the system and, insofar as so capricious a thing as the weather may be judged by probabilities, are thus able to plan in adavnce for certain contingencies likely to occur, such as the recent storm.

The St. Louis Star in discussing the work done by the Telephone and Telegraph Companies said in a recent article:

"In each case the job is still a long way from completion, but the work is well under way and the public is showing the patience usually displayed in such emergencies. An occasional tale of individual heroism drifts in, men who worked thirty-six hours without interruption, and to the point of utter exhaustion; others who risked life and limb in their eagerness to accomplish the task in hand; others who endured the cold until frozen members rendered them no longer useful. Most of the deeds of these men will go unnoticed—many perhaps, because unnoticed, will be unrewarded except for that great feeling of satisfaction that comes to a real man with the knowledge of a task well done."

TAMPERING WITH WIRES MEANS DEATH IN TRIPOLI

If you are contemplating a trip to Tripoli, take care not to be seized with a desire to cut any telephone wires while there, or you will never return to the United States. Bruno Roselli, professor of Italian at Vassar College, recently returned from Tripoli with the information that cutting telephone wires there is now punishable by death. Since Tripoli has been under the Italian flag capital punishment for all other crimes has been abolished.

HOW TELEPHONE SERVES FEDERAL RESERVE BANK

One of the most elaborate telephone systems ever installed has been placed in the spacious new 15-story building of the Federal Reserve Bank of New York. It includes one of the largest commercial private branch exchange switchboards in the world, having twenty positions, capable of serving 2,000 telephones.

Safely and protection features mark this interior telephones system as most unusual. This is especially true of the equipment placed in the many vaults which are situated, like the catacombs of ancient Rome, in the five sub-basements of the building. In each vault are two telephones—one connected with the bank's private branch exchange board, and the other directly with the Rector central office.

Thus, if an unfortunate clerk is inadvertently locked in a vault, he can call for assistance even though it should be after business hours, and to insure further protection, auxiliary trunk lines to the John central station are also provided.

TELEPHONE BELL JINGLES WHERE WILDMAN HOWLED

Seven-Mile Cable Connects Two Exchanges In Borneo, Home Of Barnum's Freak.

Modern telephone service is now to be found in many out-of-the-way corners of the world. Few Americans, however, would expect to hear that the ringing of the telephone bell has become a familiar sound in the picturesque principality of Sarawak on the west coast of mysterious Borneo.

For most of us the name "Borneo" probably suggests visions of the circus "wild-man," and conjures up vague recollections of great apes and head-hunting savages. It is still a primitive country, of course, but the British protectorate of Sarawak has made especially notable progress, and its population of several hundred thousand Chinese, Malays and Dyaks is tranquil and prosperous. Sarawak is ruled by an English rajah, who owes his hereditary throne to the fact that in 1840 one of his forebears helped suppress an insurrection and thereafter became Rajah of Sarawak in place of the native prince against whom the people had rebelled.

Modern telephone service has been established in connection with the extensive development of the Sarawak oil fields. A telephone cable about seven miles long connects the exchanges at Lutong, where there is an oil refinery, and at Miri, an important center of the oil industry on the Miri River. The telephone plant has been specially constructed to give satisfactory service in spite of the intense heat and humidity, for this rain-soaked tropical outpost of civilization lies only four degrees north of the Equator.

Cuba talks with the United States on the telephone on an average of fifty times a day.

TELEPHONES COME HIGH IN TOKIO

American Woman In Japan Tells Of Her Troubles In Getting Instrument Installed.

An American woman whose husband's work takes him to Japan finds some unexpected difficulties in setting up housekeeping in the Mikado's empire. Ida Matheson, in a recent issue of the Huntington (West Virginia) Advertiser, tells of the trouble involved in getting connected with the Japanese Government telephone system:

"I have given up hope of having a telephone," she writes. "That utility, deemed a necessity in America, is a luxury in Japan that only the rich can afford. In Tokio telephone subscribers must buy the instrument itself. And after one has bought a telephone and paid for it, one must pay the usual monthly fee for service. Of course, telephone owners may sell their phones just as they sell any other article of furniture. However, very few telephone owners seem to want to sell. An applicant waits years sometimes to get an instrument in his home. It is common to see an advertisement for a telephone run for months."

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What is said to be the highest telephone system in the world is located at Sorata, Bolivia, in South America. This installation is for the use of a mining company and connects the various parts of the mines and the town of Yani. The total length of line is just over ten miles, and the whole of the installation stands at no less a height than 15,500 feet, or nearly three miles above sea level.

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Mr. Harry Hendrickson has returned home after spending the winter with his nephew, Mr. George Hendrickson, near Chestertown.

In the absence of our pastor, Rev. G. F. Newton, Mrs. R. J. Taylor led the prayer meeting on Friday evening of last week, which was much enjoyed.

Mr. Earl Everett, of near Price's, visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Everett, near town, last Sunday.

Among those on the sick list this week are—Mrs. Merritt Brice and Miss Edna Strong.

Mr. and Mrh. Arthur Wilson, of Wilmington, spent the week-end with Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Smith, near town.

Rev. G. F. Newton was the guest of his mother, Mrs. Fannie Newton, of Secretary, Md., on Friday of last week.

Misses Susie and Nellie Everett, of near town, spent a few days of last week with their brother, Mr. Earle Everett, near Price's.

Mrs. Emma Shahan has returned home, after spending the winter with her sister, Mrs. W. F. Melvin, of Kennedyville.

Mrs. Spencer Stevens visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Brice, near Chestertown, last week.

Mrs. L. A. Hurtt was the guest this week of relatives in Wilmington.

Mr. and Mrs. Olan Duling spent last Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Walters, of Ridgely, Md.

The regular monthly meeting of the Woman's Home Missionary Society, of Asbury M. E. Church, will be held next Thursday evening at the home of Mrs. J. B. Phillips.

Mr. L. S. Price and daughter, Miss Catherine, of near Lynch, visited his sihter, Mrs. John L. Smith last Tues-

Mrs. Florence Addlesberger and Mr. Albert Godwin, of Philadelphia, were guests last Sunday of the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. A. Godwin, near town.

Last Friday night, the cars of Mr. Gilbert Burris, of Millington, and Mr. Walter Darrell, of Massey, collided on the stone road between Massey and Galena, overturning Mr. Burris' car and damaging both cars considerably.

—Because of he excellent rebord made by Charles J. Harris. as an agent of the Prudential Insurance Company of America, at Smyrna, Del., he has been promoted to the rank of assistant superintendant and assigned to duty at Chestertown, Md, Mr. Harris joined the Prudential in 1909. His promotion takes effect April 5, 1925.

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Notice is hereby given that the County Commissioners of Kent County, State of Maryland, will receive sealed bids for the purchase of SEVENTEEN THOUSAND DOLLARS OF COUNTY LATERAL ROAD BONDS, up to 12 o'clock noon on

Tuesday, March 31st, 1925

This issue of said bonds is authorized by Chapter No. 203 of the Acts of tht General Assembl yor Maryland passer at the January session, 1922. Said bonds are to be dated July 1, 1925, and bear interest from date of issue at the rate of five (5) per centum per annum, payable semi-annually on January 1 and July 1 of each year. Said bonds are of the following denominations and fall due as follows:

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4	$1,000.00	bonds, due Jan. 1st, 1935

Said bonds are exempt from State, County and Municipal taxation in the State of Maryland.

Each bid must be accompanied by a certified check payable to the order of the County Commissioners of Kent County for two per cent. of the amount of each bid to insure the County against loss resulting from the failure of the bidder or bidders to comply with his bid. Said bonds must be paid for on or before July 15th, 1925, at which time delivery of said bonds will be made to the purchaser or purchasers thereof.

The County Commissioners of Kent County hereby reserve the right to reject any and all bills.

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