FACTS AND FIGURES ON YOUR TELEPHONE BY



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President Walter S. Gifford of the American Telephone and Telegraph Company reported to the stockholders that the Bell System had a net gain of 385,000 telephones during the first six months of this year as compared with 201,000 during the corresponding period of 1935. The number of telephones in service was approximately 14,227,000, which was still about 1,363,000 or 8.7 per cent below the maximum development reached in 1930.

The total number of toll and long distance calls during the first six months of this year showed an increase of about 12.8 per cent over the corresponding period last year.

The earnings shown for the quarter ending June 30 of this year reflect the receipt of a dividend of 50 cents per share from Western Electric Company, Inc., the first dividend paid by that company since June, 1931. The earnings report of the company by itself, comparing results for the twelve-month period ending June 30, 1936, with the similar period ending June 30, 1935, appears below.

	12 Months Ending June 30, 1936
Operating Revenues	$100,883,180.45
Operating Expenses Including Taxes	81,717,452.37
Operating Earnings	$ 19,165,728.08
Dividend Revenues	132,745,643.99
Interest Revenues	8,653,402.95
Miscellaneous Non-Operating Revenues—Net	789,107.49
Total Net Earnings	$161,353,882.51
Interest Deductions	23,306,103.93
Net Income	$138,047,778.58
Dividends—	$167,996,463.62
Charged against Net Income	138,047,778.58
Charged against Surplus	29,948,685.04
Average number of shares of Capital Stock outstanding	18,665,274
Earnings of American Tel. & Tel. Co.—per share	$7.40
	12 Months Ending June 30, 1935
Operating Revenues	$ 89,700,495.56
Operating Expenses including Taxes	75,816,971.10
Operating Earnings	$ 13,883,524.46
Dividend Revenues	114,215,100.57
Interest Revenues	13,548,396.58
Miscellaneous Non-Operating Revenues—Net	923,708.98
Total Net Earnings	$142,570,730.59
Interest Deductions	23,705,328.35
Net Income	$118,865,402.24
Dividends—	$167,960,475.00
Charged against Net Income	118,865,402.24
Charged against Surplus	49,095,072.76
Average number of shares of Capital Stock outstanding	18,662,275
Earnings of American Tel. & Tel. Co.—per share	$6.37

THIS AND THAT



Conference Telephones

The development of special diminutive-sized loud speaker apparatus by the Bell Telephone Laboratories enables groups of people widely separated to be united by what is known as a conference telephone service. This service, described by J. F. D. Hoge, telephone laboratories engineer, enables a telephone conversation to be held simultaneously with several people at one or both ends of a telephone line.

The equipment consists of a small compact loud speaker set, which is housed in a wooden cabinet. The total weight is approximately eleven pounds, but it has sufficient sound output to serve a group of from 75 to 100 people under favorable room conditions.

Two forms of service are available, according to Mr. Hoge in the Bell Laboratories Record. In one, the telephone line may be connected to either the telephone set or the loud speaker. This service is more applicable where an address of some length is to be received over the telephone line during which time it is not desired to use the line for talking in the other direction. This loud speaker set and associated apparatus may be installed on a permanent basis or for temporary use as occasion demands. Another connection may be established so that two-way conversations can be held just as in everyday telephone calls.

Conference telephone service with the use of loud speakers has a particular appeal to business executives who wish to speak directly without change or emphasis with groups of people. Employees, for example, may hear the executive's voice directly as though he were speaking to them personally. In this way his personality and enthusiasm come to them just as if he were in the same room. This type of loud speaker was developed in 1933, and is now widely used, according to telephone officials.

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PERSONAL AND SOCIAL ITEMS IN MILLINGTON

Mr. and Mrs. Robert M. Logan left on Monday with their daughter, Miss Matilda for Fredericksburg, Va., where the latter has enrolled in college for the present term.

Mrs. Herman Voshell accompanied by Mrs. Charles Bell, Mrs. James D. Moore and Miss Marie Vansant spent Tuesday afternoon in Smyrna, Del.

The Women's Bible Class of Asbury M. E. Church met on Wednesday evening in the home of Mrs. George Clough.

The Queen Esthers of Asbury Church held a chicken and waffle supper on Thursday evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Charles S. Churh for the benefit of the M. E. Church a nice sum was cleared.

J. Randall of Cockeysville, Md., and Alden Church, of Westminster, Md., were guests over the week end in the home of the latters parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles L. Church.

Mrs. Marguerite Walker is spending this week in Baltimore with friends and relatives.

Mrs. Lydia Tyson, of Rising Sun, Md., is spending some time at Hotel Bailey the guest of Mrs. Mary E. Bailey.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Quint, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Quint and daughter, Miss Gladys of Collingswood, N. J., Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Smalzill, Miss Edyth Smalzell and Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Smalzell of Haddonfield, N. J., were guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Hurlock H. Gale.

Mr. Millard Porter, of Wilmington, Del., Mr. Gene Porter and family, of Dover, Del., Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Simms of Rock Hall, d,, were visitors on Sunday of their mother, Mrs. Eva Marvel on Sunday last.

Mrs. John W. Biggers is at home again after spending three weeks in Washington Sanitorium Tacoma Park, Washington, D. C., she was operated upon and is now doing niecly and well on the way to full recovery.

Mrs. Lucian E. Massey while visiting a neighbor near her home recently met wito a serious and painful accident. Her heel got caught in the porch floor and she fell to the floor ripping ff both shoe heels and tearing the liguament in her arm badly. When taken to the office of Dr. G. L. Copeland for treatmnt she fainted but after treatment recovered quickly and she is now resting comfortably but unable to use her arm.

Miss Marie Vansant spent the week end with her sister and brother in law, Mr. and Mrs. John Ross in Wilmington, Del.

Mr. Hanson Horsey and Mr. James D. Moore attended the double header base ball game in Philadelphia on Tuesday.

Mrs. Mary C. King has returned home in Wilmington, Del., after spending some time at the home of her brother, Mr. Spencer Truitt in Queen Annes.

Mr. and Mrs. George Bailey, of Philadelphia, Pa., spent last week with his mother, Mrs. Mary E. Bailey.

On Monday, Mrs. Elmer Bailey and Mr. John Ross, of Wilmington, Del., were guest of Miss Marie Vansant.

Rev. C. W. Robb attended the anniversary at Blackiston Church. He was accompanied by Mrs. John E. Woodall, Mrs. George Clough, Mrs. Mary E. P. Smith and Mrs. James D. Moore. Among other who attended were Mr. and Mrs. Sudler G. Wiest and Fred C. Numbers.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Carmine spent Sunday in Millsboro, Del., with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. George H. Dodd. They also motored to Lewis, Del., and saw some of the damage done by the recent flood.

Mrs. Burton Green and two children Betty Lee and Billy, of Crumpton, Md. spent Tuesday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Fred T. Lee.

Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert Burris and son, Billy, of Virginia, are spending some time with relatives in town.

Miss Helen Higman and friend, Mr. Joseph McGarrity, of Wilmington, Del., spent this week with her aunt, Miss Mollie Higman on Crane street.

Mrs. Emma Airey with two friends, Miss Virginia Gott and Miss Beulah Dixon, of Catonsville, spent Sunday with the formers parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles P. Jones.

Miss Margaret Lee, of Wilmington, Del., was the week end guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Fred T. Lee.

Miss Margaret Vansant, of Elkton, Md., spent the week end with her grand mother, Mrs. George B. Jones.

Miss Charlotte Jones, of Homeopathic Hospital, Wilmington, Del., spent the week end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles P. Jones.

Mr. Hyland Seamans was given a surprise birthday party of Friday of last week at his home near town. They had a nice gathering of people and a joyous time.

Mrs. Eva W. Marvel returned home on Friday of last week after a visit of several days with her cousin, Mr. Charles Clough, near Price, Md.

Miss Kathryn Price, of Homeopathic Hospital, Wilmington, Del., spent the week end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Paul C. Price, near town.

Miss Ruth Bell and brother, Clyde and Harold Bell and Mr. Wilmer Johnson, of Denton, Md., spent Sunday with her father and sister in law, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Bell.

Little Barbara Marin, of Wilmington, Del., granddaughter, of Mr. and Mrs. Charles P. Jones who had so much trouble from a mosquito bite a little while ago, is again visiting her grandparents we are sorry she is now quite sick again with other troubles.

PLENTY OF TROUBLE

Two hired hands from neighboring farms were telling each other their troubles. One was complaining about not getting enough to eat.

'Just this morning,' he said, 'Old Man White's wife says to me, 'Do you know how many pancakes you've eat already this morning?' I told her I didn't have no occasion to count 'em. 'Well,' says she, 'that last one was the twentysixth.'

'An' it mad me so mad I jes got up from the table and went to work without any breakfast.'

VISITORS TO AND FROM KENNEDYVILLE

Mr. Robert Hill, Mr. Raymond Hill and Linwood George spent Sunday in Baltimore.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph McHenry and son spent Sunday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Arnold Willis.

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Bauscher and daughter, Shirley and Miss Helen Bauscher and Miss Johnston, of Baltimore spent the week end with Rev. and Mrs. Bauscher.

The Ladies Aid Society met at the home of Mr. and Mrs. George Glenn on Monday evening it was postponed from Friday on account of the stormy evening.

The cannery closed on Friday. The employers gave Mr. Towner the manager a beautiful present. In the evening all nnjoyed ice cream and cake and the Bohemians left for their homes in Baltimore on Saturday morning.

Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Mathews, of Still Pond, are spending sometime with Miss Sophie Miller.

Edward Weer spent Thursday in Philadelphia.

Mr. Ed. Bramble and sisters of near Blacks spent Sunday with their sister. Mrs. Henry Rutter and Mr. Rutter.

Miss Gladys Archibald of Wilmington, spent the week end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. James Archibald.

Mr. and Mrs. Marcus Hedley and Mary Oliff, of Chester, spent Sunday with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Oliff.

Mr. William Irving, Miss Bernice Scotten and sister, Miss Betty, and the Misses Hannah and Lizzie Scotten spent Sunday with relatives in Wilmington.

Mrs. Urie returned home on Friday from a week's visit with her son, Dr. and Mrs. Urie at Richardson Park.

Mr. Manni Bernado of the aviation corps is visiting Rev. and Mrs. Baucher.

The funeral of Mr. John Robinson was held in the M. P. Church on Sunday.

Mr. William T. Hague spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. George Glenn.

The Mite Society was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Hills on Monday evening instead of Friday.

Mrs. James Archibald spent a part of last wek with her daughter, Mrs. Mary Green near Church Hill.

Mrs. Mary Kennedy visited Mr. Robert Kennedy and family a part af last week.

Mrs. Homer King and son, Allen, Mrs. George Ringgold and Mrs. Ray King spent Wednesday in Wilmington.

Miss Sophie Miller visited friends near Worton last week.

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