Oldest Mechanical Arts Institution in the U. S.

The Franklin institute was founded in 1824 at a meeting of citizens held in Congress hall, Philadelphia, and is the oldest institution in the United States devoted to the study and promotion of the mechanics, arts and applied sciences. Two young men, Samuel Vaughan Merrick and Dr. William H. Keating, son of a French baron and later one of the leading scientists of the University of Pennsylvania, were primarily responsible for the organization, according to a writer in the Detroit News.

Classes of instruction were held for 100 years and discontinued in 1924. The studies are continued in the Central high school. Exhibitions of manufacturers have been held, and scientific research is carried on extensively. It has a library of more than 80,000 volumes and 20,000 pamphlets. Its record of American invention is the most complete outside the files of the United States patent office.

Through the joint efforts of the Franklin institute and the Benjamin Franklin Memorial, Inc., sponsored by the Poor Richard club, a site was purchased and building erected as a memorial to the great Benjamin Franklin to house a scientific and technical museum which was dedicated as the Benjamin Franklin Memorial and Franklin institute.

FACTS AND FIGURES ON YOUR TELEPHONE BY Edwin F. Hill



With thirty-seven ship-to-shore telephone calls in a single day, all previous records were broken with the sailing of the Queen Mary on her maiden voyage to New York as the giant liner steamed up the North River. Before the ship left Quarantine a total of seventy-four telephone conversations, a number far exceeding the total of any previous Atlantic crossing since the inauguration of this service, December 9, 1929, had been made. In addition, Bell System radio telephone stations inaugurated more than thirty broadcasts from the ship over the networks serving the United States.

Telephone conversations with the ship linked passengers with telephones on the Atlantic and Pacific coasts, in the Middle West and in Canada. Many of the calls were made from the staterooms of the passengers, 500 of which are equipped with telephones over which radio connections may be had. In other cases passengers talked from public telephones located here and there on the ship.

The first call was established when the Queen Mary was a few hours out of Southampton. Telephone calls from and to the ship continued with increasing frequency with the result that before sighting the coast of America it was necessary to set up two circuits connecting with the Bell System radio telephone station to handle the calls, which included five connections to London through the New York switchboard.

The Queen Mary brings the total of ocean liners having telephone connection with the Bell System up to nineteen. This comprises practically all of the large transatlantic liners, including the Empress of Britain of the Canadian Pacific. This ship likewise has ship-to-shore service right into its cabins, which keeps its passengers in touch with home and office not only on transatlantic voyages, but on its annual cruises around the world.

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Walter S. Gifford, president of the American Telephone and Telegraph Company, in his report to the stockholders, states that the Bell System had a net gain of approximately 460,000 telephones during the year 1935 as compared with a net gain of 298,000 during the year 1934. There were approximately 13,845,000 telephones in service on December 31, 1935, which is 3.5 per cent more than were in service on December 31, 1934, but approximately 11.2 per cent less than the maximum development reached in 1930.

The total number of toll and long distance calls handled during the year was about 4.5 per cent greater than for 1934.

While final figures as to earnings for the year 1935 have not yet been determined, preliminary data indicate that the consolidated earnings applicable to American Telephone and Telegraph Company stock were about $7.00 per share as compared with $5.96 per share in 1934.

The annual report to be issued later to stockholders, according to Mr. Gifford, will contain final data on the results of the year's operations.

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NEWS ITEMS AROUND QUAKER NECK

Mr. Spencer Biddle has been suffering from a very bad cold this past week but is some improved.

Mrs. D. W. Ingersol left last week for a trip to Chicago. While there will do some mineature paintings.

Mr. and Mrs. Nelson Boone, of Betterton was at the home of Mrs. Boone's parent this past week end.

Mrs. Elston Brown is some what better after being sick with the lagrippe for some time.

Quite a few from Quaker Neck attended the Farm Bureau Banquet at the Chester River Yacht and Country Club held last Tuesday night.

Mr. Arthur Burris returned home from the Kent and Queen Annes Hospital very much improved we are glad to report.

Mr. and Mrs. William Uptigrove's infant daughter has been very sick suffering from a very bad cold.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Frank Hadaway visited Mr. C. G. Hadaway, of Worton, on Sunday and found him improved a little after being quite sick in bed.

Mrs. Mollett who has been staying with her daughter, Mrs. T. R. Starr left on Thursday to spend a short time in Wilmington, Del., with her son who has also been quite ill. Mrs. Mollett will leave the first part of next month for her home in Pennsylvania.

Mrs. Comegys Brown and daughter, Ann Comegys has been spending a few days in Baltimore, with their relatives. While there Mr. Comegys Brown, Sr., celebrated his 79th birthday.

Mr. John Welsey Dickerson, manager of the Ameriacan Store at Rock Hall, visited his parents on Sunday.

The Bond Chapel Ladies Aid met at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Starr last Thursday. It was decided to hold a supper in the near future.

Mr. Millard Bryden and friend of Piney Neck visited relatives and friends at Cliffs on Sunday.

Mr. C. Marion Vansant, of New Jersey, who frequently visited relatives and friends in Quaker Neck, was rushed to a New Jersey Hospital on Sunday night and operated on for appendicitis. Word received states he's getting along nicely.

NEWS ITEMS IN AND AROUND STILL POND

Mr. and Mrs. William Bonwill, of near town entertained a number of their friends at a two o'clock dinner last Wednesday afternoon.

Mr. Elmer Atwell of the Ercisson Line spent a few days last week with his wife and family here.

Miss Louisa Travers, Mrs. Albert Jervis and Mr. Walter Davis visited in Easton last Thursday.

The regular monthly business and social meeting of the Epworth League met at the home of Mr. and Mrs. William Clark last Thursday evening. Plans were made to hold a Washington Birthday Social in the Sunday School room, on Monday evening, February 22. Misses Elinor Ford and Louise Clark were elected as delegates to attend the Youth Conference held at Wilmington, February 19, 20, 21.

Mr. and Mrs. Anthony Durham have been spending sometime with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Jones.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Newcomb, son, and daughter, of Chestertown, visited with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Hackett on Sunday.

Mr. Gale Rasin, of Wilmington spent the week end with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Howard Rasin. We are sorry to hear that Mrs. Alice Rasin is on the sick list. We wish her a speedy recovery.

Mr. Clarence Thompson, of Rock Hall, spent Sunday with his mother, Mrs. Emma Thompson.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Rouse visited in Wilmington last Sunday. Mrs. Sally Jewell returned home with them after spending several weeks with Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Yingland, of Elmhurst, Del.

Miss Elinor Ford is spending this week in Baltimore with her aunt, Miss Anna Walters.

Mr. and Mrs. Reuben Joiner and daughter, Mary Emma, of Easton, visited with her sister, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Mann on Sunday.

Miss Florence Burgess returned to her home here Friday with Miss Edna Wroth after spending a few days in Baltimore.

Mrs. Raymond Hallman entertained the members of the Betterton Ladies Aid Society last Friday afternoon at the parsonage.

Mr. and Mrs. Elwin Ford and daughter, Ella visited with Mr. and Mrs. James Collins of Easton on Sunday.

Ancient Cumae

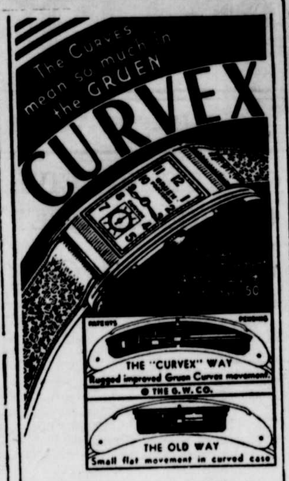
Cumae was the most ancient Greek colony in Italy. Here sat that great oracle, Cumaean Sibyl, and the subterranean passages leading to her grotto were described by Virgil and Dante. Only in recent years have scientific excavations been made among the extensive ruins of this region. There is a coliseum second in size and importance only to that of Rome. A seldom-used path is at the entrance of a great tunnel leading through the hill to the sea. Built countless years ago and in a manner unexplained by archeologists, this mysterious vault stretches almost three miles in length. It is very high and wide enough for several men or chariots to travel abreast.

THOSE WHO REMAIN

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