Stevenson's Grave

On the tombstone of Robert Louis Stevenson's grave in Samoa is a bronze plate with the inscription, "Under the wide and starry sky, dig a grave and let me lie. Glad did I live and gladly die, and I laid me down with a will." Another plate on the grave carries a quotation from Ruth 1:16, 17: "For whither thou goest, I will go; and where thou lodgest, I will lodge; thy people shall be my people, and thy God, my God; where thou diest will I die, and there will I be buried."

Telephone Exhibits Centers Of Interest At Expositions From 1876 To Present Time

Bell's First Instrument Shown At Philadelphia; Today's Fairs Feature "Voder"

"My God—it talks!" was the exclamation not of profanity but of wonder and amazement with which Emperor Pedro of Brazil greeted a demonstration of the newly invented telephone at the Centennial Exposition in Philadelphia in 1876. The intimate and personal nature of telephone service has been the quality that has attracted exposition crowds to the exhibits at which the telephone and telephone service have been featured. In competition with far more elaborate and spectacular exhibits, the telephone has always proved a drawing card, because exposition crowds could not only see it in use, but use it.

Sixty-three years later, a machine which does actually talk — which creates speech sounds and forms them into words and sentences—is being demonstrated at this year's World's Fairs at New York and San Francisco. Called the "Voder," it is a product of the Bell Telephone Laboratories, research arm of the Bell System, and is made almost entirely of equipment used in the furnishing of everyday telephone service.

From a marvelous machine which could transmit spoken words a few hundred feet in 1876 to one which can manufacture speech in 1939 is some indication of the progress of the research which has made telephone service a commonplace convenience today.

The first international exposition at which the Bell System—though it was not known as such at the time—had an exhibit was the Exposition Universelle, at Paris, in 1889. This exhibit was provided by the American Bell Telephone Company and the Western Electric Manufacturing Company. Emphasis was placed on the development of long distance service, in which, as at all times since the invention of the telephone, the United States then held a commanding position.

The American Bell Telephone Company's exhibit at the great Columbian Exposition in Chicago in 1893 was to afford proof that it sometimes pays to dream. By then the thousand mile telephone call was an accomplished fact. The switchboard and the long distance booth were distinctly the most popular of all the remarkable things the Bell System had on view, for they most clearly demonstrated the actual application of research and experimentation to the practical needs of everyday life.

A switchboard at the Pan-American Exposition at Buffalo in 1901 was destined to play an important role in a drama of nation-wide importance. President McKinley, while attending a public reception at the exposition, had been shot by an assassin. What had been an almost commonplace piece of equipment became, in an instant, the communication center of a nation facing a crisis.

The first transcontinental telephone line was formally put in service on January 25, 1915, about a month before the opening of the Panama-Pacific Exposition at San Francisco. The Bell System exhibit at this exposition was housed in its own building.

The Philadelphia Sesquicentennial Exposition of 1926 celebrated a half-century of another form of freedom—the emancipation of the human voice from the bonds of time and distance. Oscar, the dummy with the microphonic ears, amused and mystified visitors at the Century of Progress Exposition in Chicago, in 1933, as the Voder does today at New York and San Francisco.

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FACT THAT "WE CAN'T BE SEEN" MAKES IT EASY TO NEGLECT PHONE MANNERS

Local Bell Companies Stress Need For Courtesy In Conversations

It's easy to pick up a telephone, carry on a conversation, then slam the telephone down. It's easy to be cross and snappy in telephone conversations. It's easy to shout over the wire—it's easy, yes, but why is it done? Because the person at the other end of that wire can't see who he is talking to! That makes all the difference in the world. In a face-to-face conversation we wouldn't finish our talk, then slam the door. We would say "good-bye" politely. We wouldn't shout in somebody's face and chances are we would think twice before being cross and snappy. But with a good many of us that telephone makes courtesy and personality unnecessary. We are just "talking over a wire" and if nobody can see us, why worry.

But according to employees of the Chesapeake and Potomac Telephone Companies we should worry. Actual surveys made by local Bell System companies prove that courtesy and personality in our telephone conversations bring results. Take, for example, the telephone directory pictured above. It is suffering from "cobwebitis," which means that its owner, instead of looking up his number, has been trying to call from memory. This is a sure way of irritating you and the person you called by mistake. BE SURE OF THE NUMBER. If you are not sure it will save time and wear and tear on the nerves to look up the telephone number in the directory. It will bring results.

Answering a telephone by simply saying "hello" may be a good guessing game, but it probably won't put the called party in a very good frame of mind. In business always answer by giving your name.

Don't create a bad impression by constantly interrupting a telephone conversation. Be attentive. You wouldn't interrupt a face-to-face conversation and the same rules of etiquette apply in telephone conversation.

The observance of these and other simple rules of courtesy will aid in developing your telephone personality. Remember them the next time you telephone.

Vitamin C Heals Wounds

Wounds heal more rapidly if the body is well supplied with ascorbic acid, or vitamin C. Some observations have been made by surgeons that the wounds of persons who were receiving an adequate amount of vitamin C in their diet before operations for appendicitis healed in less than the average time. The theory that the healing was due to the vitamin was put to an experimental test by Dr. Lawrence E. Detrick, research fellow at the University of California, Los Angeles. Using guinea pigs as subjects, he kept one group on a generous vitamin C ration in its diet and found that these animals healed their wounds at a more rapid rate than the control groups receiving a normal diet.

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NAGGING BACKACHE

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Modern life with its ceaseless hurry and worry, irregular habits, improper eating and drinking, exposure, contagion *whatnot*, keeps doctors busy, hospitals crowded. The after effects are disturbing to the kidneys and oftentimes people suffer without knowing that disordered kidney action may cause the trouble.

After colds, fever and similar ills there is an increase of body impurities the kidneys must filter from the blood. If the kidneys are overtaxed and fail to remove excess acid and other harmful waste, there is poisoning of the whole system.

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Boardwalk to the Moon

The 50,000,000 board feet of wood consumed annually in the United States would be sufficient to build a boardwalk one inch thick and 40 feet wide from the earth to the moon, a government calculation shows.

1940 Edition Of Telephone Almanac Now Ready For Distribution To Subscribers

Copies of the 1940 edition of the Telephone Almanac containing useful information on many phases of the communications industry are now available at any Chesapeake and Potomac Telephone Company office. More than 96,000 of these almanacs have been published for users of telephone service in Maryland, Virginia, West Virginia and the District of Columbia.

The new edition of this 32-page "blue book," which, for 17 years has been compiled by the American Telephone and Telegraph Company, contains "A Rebus Page For Our Young Readers," information concerning the movements and eclipses of the sun and moon, and a month by month calendar listing important telephone and historical information for each day,

The new almanac also contains a chronicle of twelve historical events, each of which illustrates how communication helped shape the destiny of this country, a list of Bell System operating territories, an article on Benjamin Franklin's spirit of scientific research and descriptive matter concerning the Bell System, its workers and the vast equipment necessary to render telephone service.

Facts and figures disclose that the telephone itself represents only a very small part of the total investment in plant and equipment required to enable it to function properly. Of the Bell System's total plant investment approximating $4,500,000,000, cable and underground conduit account for nearly 32 per cent; central office equipment and private branch exchange switchboards, about 29 per cent; pole lines, aerial wire, other outside plant, etc., about 18 per cent; land and buildings, about 11 per cent. The equipment in subscribers' homes and places of business, including not only telephone instruments but wiring and other apparatus, represents only about 10 per cent of the Bell System's total plant investment.

Boston Traffic Flag

Whenever an automobile fatality occurs in Boston, the skull and crossbones flag flies over police headquarters. Police Commissioner Joseph T. Timilty has ordered "The Jolly Roger" displayed also at the division station where the accident occurred.

Practical Religion

A Winston-Salem, N. C., church takes care of its parishioners' worldly worries as well as their future ones. The minister, acting as an employment bureau, quickly locates jobs for any of his flock needing one. No member of the congregation is unemployed.

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Code of Maryland (1935 Supplement), title "Oysters," sub-title "Oyster Culture," be and the same is hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments, to read as follows:

129. It shall be lawful at any time after the closed season for taking oysters, to take oysters from such natural beds or bars in Chesapeake Bay as the Commission may mark out for that purpose, and at such time as the Commission may designate, but not to exceed one month in any one year and under such regulations as said Commission may from time to time prescribe: and, provided, however, that said oysters may be sold only for the purposes now permitted under the existing laws of Maryland, during the season of the year above mentioned: and in addition thereto, to persons engaged in the industry of planting and cultivating oysters within the State of Maryland, the same to be delivered only upon land which may have been leased under the provisions of this sub-title for said purposes of planting or cultivation.

Sec. 9. And be it further enacted, That if any provision of this Act shall be declared unconstitutional or invalid by any Court, such judgment shall not affect, impair or invalidate the remaining provisions thereof, but shall be confined in its operations to the specific provision so held unconstitutional or invalid and the inapplicability or invalidity of any section, clause or provision of this Act in any one or more instances shall not be taken to affect or prejudice in any way its applicability or invalidity in any other instance.

Sec. 10. And be it further enacted, That this Act shall take effect on June 1, 1939.

Approved: May 3, 1939.

CHAPTER 732

AN ACT to repeal and re-enact, with amendments, Sections 1, 2, 5 and 6 of Article 101 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1935 Supplement), title "Workmen's Compensation," sub-title "State Industrial Accident Commission."

Section 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That Sections 1, 2, 5 and 6 of Article 101 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1935 Supplement), title "Workmen's Compensation," sub-title "State Industrial Accident Commission," be and they are hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments, to read as follows:

1. A Commission is hereby created which shall be known as the State Industrial Accident Commission, to be composed of four Commissioners. Upon June 1st, 1939, all of the terms of the Commissioners in office upon the taking effect of this Act shall terminate, and the Governor shall thereupon appoint one Commissioner who shall hold office for a term of one year, one for a term of two years, one for a term of three years, and one for a term of four years. Upon the expiration of the term of each Commissioner, his successor shall be appointed by the Governor for a term of four years. Each Commissioner shall devote his entire time to the duties of the office, and shall not hold any position of trust or engage in any occupation or business interfering or inconsistent with his duties as such Commissioner, or serve on or under any committee of a political party. Each Commissioner shall hold office until his successor shall be appointed and shall have qualified. Vacancies shall be filled by the Governor for the unexpired term. The Governor may at any time remove any Commissioner from office for inefficiency, neglect of duty or malfeasance in office. Before such removal he shall give such Commissioner a copy of the charges against him and shall fix a time when he can be heard in his own defense, either in person, or by counsel, which shall not be less than ten days thereafter, and such hearing shall be open to the public. The principal office of the Commission shall be in the City of Baltimore, but branch offices may be established at other places in the State for the purpose of administering this Article.

2. The Governor shall designate one member of the Commission as the Chairman thereof, and he shall be the administrative and executive head of the Commission and shall have the final authority in all matters relating to the assignment of cases for trial, the management of the State Accident Fund and the administrative work of the Commission and its employees, except in the promulgation of rules and regulations wherein the Commission shall act as a body, and in the trial and determination of cases, as hereinafter provided. The other three members are hereby vested with authority to hear and determine any hearing, trial, inquiry or investigation which the Commission is authorized to hold or undertake; and any one of such other three members can preside alone at any such hearing, trial, inquiry and investigation, and every order and determination made by any one member shall be deemed to be the order or determination of the Commission. The Chairman shall only sit in the trial of cases when, in his judgment, it is necessary to expedite the trial work of the Commission.

5. The present employees of the Commission shall continue to serve in their present positions and shall retain all of their rights under Article 64A of the Annotated Code, title "Merit System." The Chairman of the Commission shall have the power to make any future appointments as are provided for in the Budget, which appointments must be made in accordance with the provisions of said Article 64A. The secretary and other assistants that may be employed shall be entitled to receive their actual necessary expenses while traveling on the business of the Commission. Such expenses shall be itemized and sworn to by the person who incurred the expense, and allowed by the Chairman of the Commission. The Chairman of the Commission shall keep and maintain its main office and such branch offices as he shall deem proper and necessary for the administration of this Article, and shall provide suitable rooms, necessary office furniture, supplies, books, periodicals and maps for the same. All necessary expenses shall be audited and paid out of the appropriation in the State Treasury provided for in this Article. The Commission shall provide itself with a seal for the authentication of its orders, awards and proceedings, upon which shall be inscribed the words, "State Industrial Accident Commission, State of Maryland—Official Seal."

Each member of the Commission and each person appointed to office or employment by the Commission shall, before entering upon the duties of his office or employment, take and subscribe the constitutional oath of office.

6. The Secretary of the Commission shall keep and maintain a full and true record of all proceedings of the Commission, of all documents or papers ordered filed by the Commission or by its rules, of decisions or orders made by any member of the Commission and of all decisions or orders made by the Commission or approved and confirmed by it and ordered filed, and he shall be responsible to the Commission for the safe custody and preservation of all such documents at its office. He shall have the power to administer oaths in all parts of the State, so far as the exercise of such power is properly incident to the performance of his duty or that of the Commission. The Chairman of the Commission may designate, from time to time, one of the clerks of the office, appointed by him, to exercise the powers and duties of the Secretary during his absence.

Sec. 2. And be it further enacted, That this Act shall take effect June 1, 1939.

Approved: May 11, 1939.

WHEREAS, petitions to refer the aforesaid Acts of the General Assembly to the voters of the State of Maryland, for adoption or rejection, have been filed with the Secretary of State in conformity with the provisions of Article XVI of the Constitution of Maryland, entitled "The Referendum," and the said Acts of Assembly will be so submitted to the voters at the election to be held on November 5, 1940.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, HERBERT R. O'CONOR, GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF MARYLAND, pursuant to the authority and direction contained in Section 5 (a) of Article 16 of the Constitution of Maryland, do hereby order and direct that this Proclamation containing a full, true and correct copy of Chapters 353 and 732 of the Acts of the General Assembly of Maryland of 1939, be published in at least two newspapers in each of the Counties of the State where so many may be published and where not more than one may be published then in that newspaper, and in three newspapers published in the City of Baltimore, one of which shall be published in the German language, in such manner and for such time as is provided in Section 1 of Article 14 of the Constitution of Maryland.

GIVEN UNDER MY HAND AND THE GREAT SEAL OF THE STATE OF MARYLAND. DONE AT THE CITY OF ANNAPOLIS, THIS 29TH DAY OF JULY, IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD, ONE THOUSAND NINE HUNDRED AND FORTY.

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HERBERT R. O'CONOR
By the Governor:

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Secretary of State.