

FIFTY YEARS OF TELEPHONE

March 10th Will Mark Anniversary of Great Invention

The 50th birthday of the telephone will be celebrated March 10 this year by 320,000 Bell telephone workers and thousands of others throughout the United States and Canada.

In honor of the occasion men and women in the telephone industry everywhere will wear an attractive button, showing a telephone and the numerals 50. These workers during the twenty-four hour period of celebration will enable telephone subscribers to complete 67,700,000 messages—an almost unbelievable expansion from one sentence on March 10, 1876 to the millions of conversations March 10, 1926.

Open house will be observed at the local telephone office on March 10, in commemoration of the anniversary. Telephone subscribers and the general public have been invited to visit the office during birthday week and see how telephone service is rendered.

There are 20,500 Bell telephone workers in the Southeastern states who will join in the nation-wide celebration. The South can claim with pride that the telephone owes a part of its development to the reception given it in the South in its infancy. Among the first telephone exchanges established were those opened in some of the leading cities of the South during the year 1879. Among the cities in this pioneer list are Augusta, Savannah and Atlanta, Ga.; Charleston, S. C.; Wilmington, N. C.; Mobile, Ala.; Louisville, Ky.; and Richmond, Lynchburg and Norfolk, Va.

The first building ever erected to be used exclusively as a telephone exchange was constructed in Louisville, Ky., some fifteen years before the close of the nineteenth century.

Four days after his twenty-ninth birthday and three days before the first sentence was transmitted, Alexander Graham Bell, an impetuous young Scotchman, received his patent for the telephone. If he had lived until today, he would have seen his first telephone system of two crude instruments, connected by a few feet of wire, and protected by a single patent develop into a system of 16,600,000 Bell owned stations, connected by 51,000,000 miles of wire, and protected by a total of 9,000 patents. There are 27,213,100 telephones in use

NOTICE OF STOCKHOLDERS' MEETING OF CAMDEN ICE CO.

Notice is hereby given that there will be a special meeting of the stockholders of the Camden Ice company, incorporated, to be held at Twelve o'clock on Monday, March 8th, 1926, at the office of Messrs. Kirkland and Kirkland, Camden, S. C., for the purpose of considering resolutions of the board of directors of the said company, to increase the capital stock of the said company to Twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000.00), to authorize the execution of a mortgage or deed of trust, covering property of the company, to secure proposed issue of bonds of the said company and to consider any other business that may properly come before said meeting.

J. H. OSBORNE, President.
JNO. M. VILLEPIGUE, Secy. and Treasurer
Camden, S. C., Feb. 9, 1926.

in the world today, of which number 61 percent are located in the United States and most of them are a part of the Bell System.

On March 10, fifty years ago, the first sentence was transmitted over the telephone by Alexander Graham Bell from his laboratory on the top floor of an old house in Boston to Thomas A. Watson, his assistant, in another room on the same floor. The first words transmitted were, "Mr. Watson, come here. I want you." These two men were the sole active telephone workers at that time.

The early days of the telephone furnish a thrilling story of a desperate struggle for life in a cold business world which frowned on sinking money in a toy, as the telephone was then called. Four men gave themselves without reserve to bless the world with the electrical transmission of speech. Each made a distinct contribution. Bell contributed his inventive genius; Thomas A. Watson, his skilled craftsmanship which fashioned Bell's idea into a working instrument; Thomas Sanders, the first financial assistance, which was inspired by the love of his daughter for the romantic inventor; and Gardiner G. Hubbard, the first publicity man for the telephone, the personality necessary to acquaint the world with its possibilities. The common contribution of each was faith and enthusiasm that entailed sacrifice. Thomas A. Watson is the only member of this group living today.

Development in business and organization backed by the patient toil of the scientists in the Bell research laboratories has featured the telephone's progress in recent years.

Button Causes Death of Boy

Harvey, the five-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. M. D. Smith, who live just beyond the city limits on the Camden road, died Tuesday morning, from having swallowed a shoe button Monday. The little fellow was playing in the yard when he found the button, and when his father learned that he had swallowed it he was immediately brought to a doctor. An X-ray failed to locate the button, and as it did not appear to give any trouble, he was returned home. Again Tuesday morning Mr. Smith brought the child to Bishopville. Another examination was made, and it was thought the child was all right. On the way home however, the little fellow became ill and began coughing. Mr. Smith started back to the doctor, but before he reached his office the child was dead. —Bishopville Messenger.

Truesdale-Collins

A marriage of interest to a number of friends and relatives was that of Miss Celeste Truesdale to Mr. Waddell Collins, both of Camden, which occurred on Friday evening, February 5th, at the Methodist parsonage in Camden with the Rev. J. T. Peeler officiating. The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Truesdale and is a graduate of the Camden High school and also a graduate of the Georgia-Carolina school of commerce. Mr. Collins is a young business man of Camden.—Cor.

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EDDIE PLANK DEAD

Was One of Baseball's Greatest Left-Hand Pitchers

Gettysburg, Pa., Feb. 24.—Eddie Plank, one of baseball's greatest left-hand pitchers, died today, only four months behind his greatest right-handed rival in world's series battles, Christy Mathewson. He was 51 years old.

Stricken Monday with paralysis that left his once powerful pitching arm and his whole left side helpless, the portside star of Connie Mack's famous Philadelphia Athletics never spoke after the first two hours. He was conscious only for intervals.

His widow, his ten-year-old son, Eddie, Jr., and Ira and Luther Plank, two of the pitcher's three brothers, were at the bedside when he died.

His parents were unable to make the trip to town because of illness.

Quitting baseball in 1917 while playing with the St. Louis Americans after losing a 1-0 game to Walter Johnson, Plank opened a garage business in Gettysburg but retired three years ago to take life easy. During the last year he had not been so well. He devoted much time to his father and mother.

Sunday night he retired without a sign of feeling ill and was stricken when he arose Monday.

Plank was in the majors 17 years and left a record of the greatest number of games pitched by a left-handed, a record said to have been excelled by only three righthanders in the same time. In his career he won 320 games, lost 190, acted as relief pitcher or was relieved in 80 games and pitched five tie contests.

In his major league work he faced 15,907 batters and his 17-year average as a winning pitcher was .627.

There are 4,105 Masonic lodges in England.

ANNOUNCEMENT.

Subject to the rules governing the Democratic Primary, I hereby announce myself a candidate for Mayor of the City of Camden in the approaching election. If elected, I shall advocate a progressive Administration consistent with good business.
C. P. DuBOSE.

FOR ALDERMAN WARD FIVE

I hereby announce myself as a candidate for alderman of the City of Camden from Ward Five in the approaching primary subject to the rules of the Democratic party.
R. M. KENNEDY, JR.

FOR MAGISTRATE

I hereby announce myself as a candidate for Magistrate for DeKalb Township, subject to the rules of the Democratic primary.
W. L. DePASS, Jr.

FOR ALDERMAN

I hereby announce myself as a candidate for alderman of the City of Camden from Ward Four, subject to the City Democratic primary.
C. C. WHITAKER, SR.

For Alderman Ward Four

I hereby announce myself as a candidate for the office of Alderman from Ward Four for the city of Camden in the coming Democratic primary subject to the rules and regulations of the primary.
LEON H. SCHLOSBERG.

FOR TREASURER

I hereby announce myself as a candidate for the office of Treasurer of Kershaw County in the coming primary, subject to the rules and regulations of the Democratic party.
S. W. HOGUE.

For Judge of Probate

I hereby announce myself as a candidate for the office of Judge of Probate for Kershaw County, subject to the rules of Democratic primary.
SAMUEL N. NICHOLSON.

For Alderman Ward Three.

I hereby announce myself a candidate for re-election as Alderman from Ward 3 of City of Camden, subject to rules of Democratic primary.

J. H. OSBORNE

FOR ALDERMAN WARD ONE
I hereby announce myself as a candidate for re-election to the office of Alderman of the City of Camden from Ward One, subject to the rules of the City Democratic primary.

W. L. JACKSON.

FOR ALDERMAN WARD TWO
I hereby announce myself as a candidate from Ward Two in the approaching primary subject to the rules and regulations of the Democratic primary.
LANE C. SHAW.

YOUR WIFE'S NEXT HUBBY

Gee MacGee Gives Some Pointers on How He'll Look and Do

Of course you can't imagine how your wife's next husband is going to look. He may be tall, but he may be slim, however he may be low, but he's the guy that's going to spend some of your insurance money.

I know you can picture him now picking his teeth with a fork and eating with his knife. He don't pass anything at the table and won't let anything pass him. He will smoke and chew, and your wife is only accustomed now to a husband that smokes.

He will have your enlarged picture taken out of the parlor and put upstairs in the garret. He will never brush his teeth, nor will he shave but once every ten days after he has been married two months.

He will be slow about changing his socks, and he will leave his clothes scattered all over the room. He will forget and slap one of "her" children some time, and presto: he will leave home a week.

He will sell your old Ford and buy himself a Super-six. He will cease painting his mustache after 6 months. He will also stop wearing starched collars and a tie, and he will likewise talk in his sleep and snore.

He will sleep till 8:45 a.m., and eat his breakfast in bed. He will radio till radioing is no more. He will not ask the blessing, nor will he attend church after seven months of irridescent matrimony.

He will talk much and long. His vocabulary will be interspersed with "I taken a walk today," "I seen your Aunt Sue down town," "taint so," "which-ern?" and "Cousin Joe teach-ed school 2 year before, he tuck up the minister."

He won't lace up his shoes, but he will lick the molasses pitcher. He will hire somebody to move the hen house from the place where your previous husband knew it ought to be.

He will kick the dog and cuss the cat, besides drinking four cups of coffee for dinner. He will brag on his ancestors, and low-rate yours. He will sleep in his underwear, and dry his face on the bath mat.

He will strike matches on your walls and squire tobacco juice on your fire-boards. He will sooner or later talk back at his "old lady," but will call her "honey" no more after the first year.



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He will begin talking about "my wife" and "my house" and "my automobile" and "my farms" and "your younguns" as soon as he gets fully acclimated to what he has married into. Yet, I have known it to pay handsomely on both sides for the widow to get somebody to help her spend "his" life insurance. It's easier to dispose of with a man to assist you.

Dr. Jeans, president of the Royal Astronomical Society, states that recent discoveries indicate that the earth is not far distant from the center of the universe.

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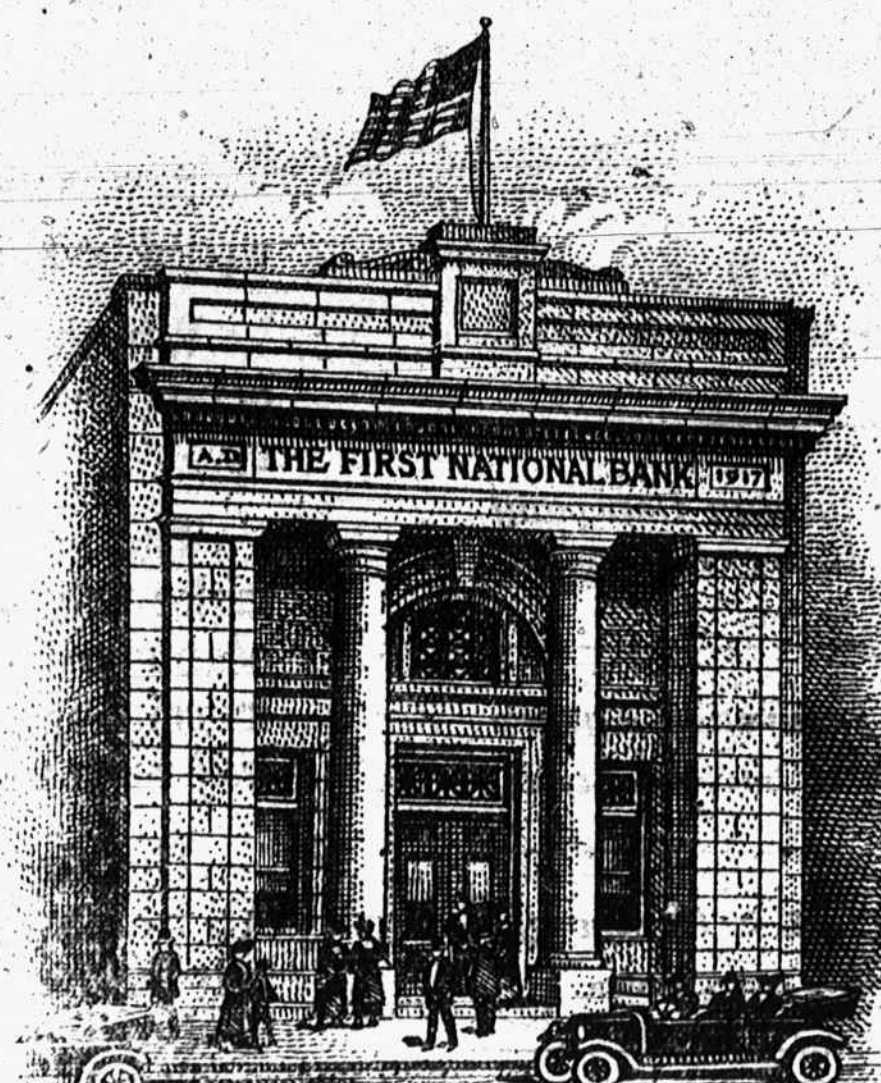
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