

SUMMARY OF INFORMATION FURNISHED BY COMPANIES IN THE UNITED STATES UPON THE INVITATION OF THE COMMITTEE.

ABBREVIATIONS—*S.*, single circuit; *M.*, metallic circuit; *I.G.*, iron wire, grounded circuit; *I.M.*, iron wire, metallic circuit; *C.G.*, copper wire, grounded circuit; *C.M.*, copper wire, metallic circuit; *I.C.C.R.*, iron wire, copper common return; *C.E.*, central energy system; *Mag.*, magneto system; *Auto.*, automatic system; *L.D.*, long-distance; *Pref.*, preferred; *Com.*, common; *Ex.*, exchange; *Min.*, minutes.

| Particulars. | The Piqua Home Telephone Co., Piqua, Ohio. | Bambridge Telephone Co., Chagrin Falls, Ohio. | Greenfield Home Telephone Co. (17 miles square), Greenfield, Ohio. | The Auglaize Telephone Co., (parts of Auglaize, Allen, Logan & Hardin Counties, Waynesfield, Ohio. | Mechanicsburg Telephone Co., Mechanicsburg and 2 villages, Ohio. |
|--------------------------------|--|---|--|--|--|
| Stock issued | \$80,000 00 | \$8,000 00 | \$26,800 00 | \$15,000 00 | \$35,000 00 |
| Bonds " | Not stated | Nil | \$7,000 00 | Nil | Nil. |
| Years in operation..... | 6 | 8 | 7 | 4 | 5 |
| Population of territory..... | 15,000 | 2,000 | 10,000 | | 5,500 |
| Number of R. telephones | 900 | 200 | 650 | 355 | 650 |
| " B. " | 600 | 5 | 150 | 45 | 50 |
| " F. " | 600 | 200 | 150 | 357 | 450 |
| Non-party lines..... | 900 | | 750 | 43 | 250 |
| Cost per telephone..... | \$27 00 | \$40 00 | \$40 00 | \$50 00 | \$50 00 |
| Class of wire and circuit..... | I. M | I.G. & I. M | I.M | I.M | I. M. |
| Proportion under ground..... | Nil | Nil | 10,000 ft. duct | Nil | Nil |
| Type of system | Mag | Mag | Mag | C.E | Mag. |
| Annual rates, business..... | \$24 00 | \$12 00 | \$18 00 | \$15 00 | \$24 00 |
| Party line " | | | | | |