

## 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, ground 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.*, minute.

Particulars.	Citizens' Telephone Co., Columbus, Ind.	Decatur County Inde- pendent Telephone Co., Decatur County and Greensburg, Ind.	The Home Telephone and Telegraph Co., Fort Wayne, Ind.	The Richmond Home Telephone Co., Rich- mond, Ind.	Nappanee Telephone Co., R. Stoop, prop., Nappanee, Ind.
Stock issued .....	\$50,000 00	\$29,000 00	\$250,000.00	\$142,700.00	Private ownership ....
Bonds " .....	\$37,000 00	\$27,000 00	\$225,000.00	\$159,600.00	
Years in operation.....	9	4	9	6	7
Population of territory.....	24,595	20,000	70,000	23,000	5,000
Number of R. telephones .....	2,000	1,282	2,500	1,670	200
"    B.    " .....	456	153	1,000	455	65
"    F.    " .....	500	816	100	235	110
Non-party lines .....	1,800	620	3,400	1,900	255
Cost per telephone.....	\$100 00	\$62.59	.....	\$78.50	\$50.00
Class of wire and circuit .....	I.M.....	I.M.....	C.M.....	I.M.....	I.M.
Proportion under ground.....	Nil.....	Nil.....	10 per cent.....	Nil.....	Nil.
Type of system.....	Mag.....	C.E.....	C.E.....	Mag.....	Mag.
Annual rates, business.....	\$24 00	\$24, stockholders \$18...	\$36.00	\$30.00	\$18.00
Party line    " .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....