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| Residence..... | \$15 00 | \$18 00 | \$12 00 | | \$13 00 |
| Party line, residence..... | | \$12 00 | | | |
| Rural..... | \$15 00 | \$18 00 | \$12 00 | | \$13 00 & 16 00 |
| Dividends per annum..... | 33 per cent. | 4 per cent | 10 per cent..... | None yet..... | |
| Interest on bonds..... | | 6 " | | 5 per cent..... | |
| Depreciation per annum..... | | 5 " | 20 per cent of net earnings..... | | 7½ per cent. |
| Surplus..... | \$2,000 00 | | \$2,600 00 | | \$10,000 00 |
| No. of "Bell" telephones— | | | | | |
| Before competition..... | | 300 | 50 | 10,000 | 2 |
| At this date..... | | 590 | 15 | 30,000 | 2 |
| Wages paid— | | | | | |
| Foremen..... | | \$60 00 per month..... | \$2 50 per day..... | \$75 00 per month..... | \$2 50 per day. |
| Inspectors & troublemen..... | \$45 00 to \$50 00 a month | \$50 00 " | \$2 00 " | \$65 00 " | |
| Wiremen..... | \$45 00 to \$50 00 " | \$1 75 per day..... | \$2 00 " | \$2 25 per day..... | \$2 00 per day. |
| Operators..... | | Average \$25 00 month..... | \$16 00 to \$20 00 month..... | Average \$32 00 month .. | \$5 00 to 10 00 per week. |
| Cost of supplies— | | | | | |
| Central equipment..... | | | | | \$450 00 for 100 lines. |
| Wall telephones..... | | | \$11 25 | | \$8 50 to \$11 50. |
| Poles..... | | | | | \$1 25 to \$6 00, 22 to 60 ft. |
| Long distance, pole mileage..... | | 30 | 25 | 300 | |
| " " wire "..... | 375 | 30 | 50 | 3,000 | |
| Cost per mile, including poles..... | \$75 00 | | \$200 00 | \$200 00 | |
| " " wire..... | | | | | |
| Long distance rates..... | 25c. for 40 miles..... | 1½c. per mile..... | | | |
| Remarks..... | | | | See note C. 1, page 805.. | See note D. 1, page 806. |