No. 310. TELEPHONE COMPANIES IN THE UNITED STATES.—*Continued.*

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.	Jefferson County Telephone Co., Fort Atkinson, Wis.	Consolidated Telephone Co., Marion, Taylor, Harrison, Barbour and Randolph counties, Fairmont, W. Va.	West Virginia Western Telephone Co., Wood Ritchie, Doddridge, Tyler, Pleasants, and parts of Harrison, Lewis, Gilmar and Jackson counties, Parkersburg, W. Va.	The Old Kentucky Telephone and Telegraph Co., Winchester and Mount Sterling Cities, Clark and Montgomery counties, Ky.	Louisville Home Telephone Co., Jefferson county, Ky., New Albany, Floyd, Sellersburg, and Clarke counties, Ind., Louisville, Ky.
Stock issued	$20,000 00	$122,000 00	$225,000 00	$70,000 00	$1,310,000 00
Bonds "	Nil	$75,000 00	$125,000 00	$70,000 00	$1,430,000 00
Years in operation	5½	10	12	10	3
Population of territory	4,000	150,000	85,000	30,000	300,000
Number of R. telephones	202	1,250	2,260	1,175	4,400
" B. "	98	1,250	2,886	175	4,700
" F. "	75	110	1,246	400	200
Non-party lines	350	2,000	2,645		7,700
Cost per telephone			$96.75 to $172.00	$75 00	$145 00
Class of wire and circuit	I. M.	C. M. and I. M.	C. M. and I. M.	I. G. and I. M.	C. M.
Proportion under ground	Nil	Nil	Parkersburg Ex.	Nil	½
Type of system	Auto	Mag.	C. E. and Mag.	Mag.	C. E.
Annual rates, business	Not stated.	$30 00	$24.00 to $36.00	$24 00	$48 00
Party line "					