

SELECT COMMITTEE ON TELEPHONE SYSTEMS

APPENDIX 'A'

CORRESPONDENCE.

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No. 1.

Sir WILLIAM MULOCK,
Postmaster General,
Ottawa.

Telephone meeting. This joint committee representing the county council, town councils, trade and labour councils, and boards of trade of the county of Waterloo, assembled in the town of Berlin, this 23rd day of March, 1905, to discuss the organization of a competitive town and rural telephone service, learning of the action taken by the government in the appointment of a committee looking to and the taking over of the telephone service of Canada do hereby defer further action pending the outcome of such investigation. We hereby congratulate the Postmaster General, Sir Wm. Mulock, on the action he has taken and unanimously recommend the Government to entirely take over and operate the telephone service of Canada.

ANTHONY OCHS,
Chairman Telephone Committee.

No. 1a.

OTTAWA, March 24, 1905.

DEAR SIR,—I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your telegram of the 23rd instant favouring me with the views of the joint committee representing the county council, town councils, trades and labour councils and Board of Trade of the county of Waterloo, assembled in Berlin on the 23rd instant to discuss the organization of a competitive town and rural telephone service, and recommending the Government to take over and operate the telephone service of Canada.

I shall have pleasure in communicating your telegram to the Parliamentary Committee at present engaged in studying this important question.

Yours faithfully,

WM. MULOCK,
Postmaster General.

ANTHONY OCHS, Esq.,
Chairman, Telephone Committee,
Berlin, Ont.

No. 2.

W. J. ROCHE, M.D., MP.,
House of Commons, Ottawa, Ontario.

DEAR MR. ROCHE,—As you are a member appointed to inquire into the telephone system in Canada and elsewhere, I venture to make some suggestions which may prove useful in your investigations.

In the first place, there is no public telephone system in Canada worthy of the name, except the Bell Telephone Company, and so far as I am aware there is no