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SASKATCHEWAN GOVERNMENT TELEPHONES
of the
PROVINCE OF SASKATCHEWAN
for the
Fiscal year ended December 31, 1949
1949

Regina, February 28, 1950.

To His Honour,

The Honourable John Michael Uhrich,

Lieutenant Governor of the Province of Saskatchewan.

Sir:

I have the honour to submit herewith the annual report of the Saskatchewan Government Telephones for the year ended December 31, 1949, including the financial statement therefor, duly certified by the Provincial Auditor of Utilities and in the form approved by the Treasury Board, all in accordance with the Crown Corporations Act, 1947.

I have the honour to be, Sir,

Your obedient servant,

J. A. Darling

Minister of Telephones

and

Chairman, Saskatchewan
Government Telephones.

SASKATCHEWAN GOVERNMENT TELEPHONES

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General

In many ways 1949 was a record breaking year. In the first place we increased our local stations in service by 6,138 and this is an all time record. The figure for 1948 was 5,420. Due to this large number of installations we have at last succeeded in reducing our waiting list. On December 31, 1949 the number waiting for telephones was 6,868. In addition 1,550 subscribers, who want an improved service, were being served temporarily on two-party lines. The reduction in the waiting list was not great and was effective mainly in the latter part of 1949. However it is a satisfaction to know that our rate of installation is now in excess of the phenomenally high rate at which new orders keep coming in. On December 31, 1949 the number of local stations in service was 70,460.

There was also growth amongst the rural telephone companies. Complete information for 1949 is not available, at this time, as rural lines are not owned by Saskatchewan Government Telephones. However the rural stations connected to our exchanges increased by 1,196 during 1949 and totalled 43,841 at the end of the year. There are certain rural and independent companies that do not connect to our exchanges.

A record breaking number of long distance calls were completed during 1949; 5,176,445 long distance calls originated in Saskatchewan during the year and this is the first time the five million mark has been exceeded. The increase was 6.05% over the previous year. In spite of the increased traffic we were able to give a better quality of service than in 1948. During 1949 we added 5,257 circuit-miles to our network of long distance lines. This includes leased circuits for Trans-Canada purposes as well as circuits which we constructed. Unfortunately there are places where our long distance facilities are still inadequate.

The amount of money required to finance this program exceeded substantially that required in any previous year. During 1949 the amount spent on capital was \$2,379,585.34 and the amount on renewals and reconstruction was \$625,415.51. This, of course, is over and above the cost of maintenance and operation. For 1948 the figures were \$1,660,584.33 and \$675,140.75 respectively.

Income reached record breaking proportions in 1949 with a total operating revenue of \$5,677,847.22 as compared to \$5,081,570.10 in 1948. Expenses increased substantially too but we finished the year with a profit of \$1,282,160.52 which was also a record breaker. The figure for 1948 was \$1,208,623.21.

It has required a great effort from the staff of the system to complete all this work. Due to the continuing heavy demand for our services conditions of overload still exist at many places, and this makes for difficult working conditions. It is a pleasure to pay a tribute to the skill, loyalty and devotion to duty which has been shown by the staff of Saskatchewan Government Telephones.

Detailed information concerning the work of the system during 1949 will be found in the following pages.

Plant

The Plant work programme for the year was completed. The delivery of required materials and equipment was reasonably satisfactory.

There were no major service interruptions.

Toll Line Construction and Reconstruction

A new toll lead was built from a point $6\frac{1}{2}$ miles south of Richardson to Riceton.

The old pole lead and wires relieved by the new Regina to Kronau lead (1948) were removed from service.

Additional Circuits erected

Endeavour to Hudson Bay - 1 circuit
Melfort to Yellow Creek - 1 circuit
Regina to Riceton - 1 circuit phantom
Regina to Earl Grey Junction (phantom group)
Moosomin to Wawota - 1 circuit
Wawota to Fairlight - 1 circuit phantom
Rosetown to Elrose - 1 circuit phantom
Swift Current to Alberta Boundary - 1 circuit
Saskatoon to Prince Albert - phantom group carrier transposed
Regina to Indian Head - phantom group
Qu'Appelle to Fort Qu'Appelle - 1 circuit
Qu'Appelle to Indian Head - 1 circuit

Pole Replacements

Grand Coulee to Pense
Bratton to Dinsmore
Wiseton to Forgan
Carlyle to Kenosee
Cabri to Abbey
Wadena to Fosston
Elstow to Allan
Saskatoon to Prince Albert
Regina to Indian Head
Domremy to Hoey
Elfros to Yorkton (50% completed)
Vantage to Gravelbourg (poles erected)

Pole Lead moves due to widening of Roadways

Swanson to 11 miles north
Spruce Home to Waskesiu (in progress 2 years)
Carruthers to $1\frac{1}{2}$ miles south
Chaplin (8 poles)
Moose Jaw - from 2 to 12 miles south.
Tessier to 1 mile north
Regina - south on #1 highway for 2 miles
Crestwynd corner
Dafoe to Wynyard
Craik - 1 mile south
Warman - 2 miles west to 2 miles east

Pole Leads rebuilt and moved due to widening of Roadways

Elbow to 2 miles east
Central Butte - 4 miles west
Yorkton - from 5 to 7 miles west
Freemont to Marsden, 14 miles
Chamberlain to 2 miles south
Eston to 10 miles east

Carrier Systems installed between points shown

Regina and Watrous - 1 channel
Saskatoon and Unity - 1 channel
Moose Jaw and Gravelbourg - 1 channel
Regina and Bismark - 3 channels
(Minneapolis system)
Regina and Rouleau - 1 channel
Regina and Swift Current - 2 channels
Swift Current and Cabri - 1 channel
Regina and Stoughton - 1 channel
Estevan and Crosby, N.D. - 1 channel
Swift Current and Rosetown - 1 channel
Regina and Montmartre - 1 channel
Manitoba and Alberta - 3 channels
(Trans-Canada)

Derived circuits through re-transposing

Earl Grey Junction to Southey - 1 phantom
Shaunavon to Climax - 1 phantom
Elrose to Forgan (Coils installed, no transpositions), - 1 phantom

Crossarm Work

10 pin Crossarms erected

Lumsden to Earl Grey junction
Saskatoon to Warman Junction
Melfort junction to Prince Albert
Qu'Appelle junction to Indian Head

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Crossarm Work (continued)

6 pin Crossarms replaced with 10 pin crossarms
Kelso to 5½ miles south west
Rosetown to Elrose

10 pin Crossarms lowered
Regina to Indian Head

Brush Cutting

Between Prince Albert and Melfort
Between Melfort and Lanigan

Exchange Plant

Poles were replaced in 33 towns and cities.

Cable alterations and extensions were carried out in 24 towns and the cities dependent on the delivery of cable.

Party lines erected

From Carmel to Humboldt (1 circuit)
From Tuxford to Moose Jaw (2 circuits)
From Hoey to Domremy (3 circuits)

Peerless was connected to Goodsoil by erecting a circuit terminated on a pay station.

Central Office Equipment extensions and changes

Regina (north exchange) 1200 lines
Saskatoon (Nutana exchange) 1000 lines
Moose Jaw 1200 lines
Moose Jaw (Rural) 50 lines
Yorkton 400 lines
Melfort 100 lines

At Melville modern dial equipment was installed providing 600 local lines and 50 rural lines. A new 4 position toll board was also installed. All telephone instruments including rurals were replaced with dial instruments. An oil burner hot water system replaced the old hot air furnace. Old magneto equipment was removed from service.

Switchboards were replaced with larger capacity boards at 30 towns.

The capacity for terminating toll lines on the toll switchboards at Regina, Saskatoon and North Battleford were increased and an additional section was installed at North Battleford.

Testing facilities were improved at 9 towns through the installation of new test units.

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Type 52A operators head sets were installed at Saskatoon, Lanigan and Davidson.

Electric calculagraphs replaced the old type clocks at Saskatoon, Moose Jaw and Prince Albert.

New Ringing machines were installed at Moose Jaw and North Battleford.

Extended 7 bays to the M.D.F. at Moose Jaw for 1200 pair rack end.

Private Branch Exchanges

Switchboards and associated equipment were installed at 11 places in the cities while 6 P.B.X. switchboards were replaced.

Offices Moved

A total of 31 offices were moved.

Offices Opened

Peerless (pay station)
Bertwell
Clemenceau
Gateway (telephone only)

Yellow Creek exchange was connected for toll service.

Offices Closed

Forgan
Candiac
Beverley
Demaine
Hoey
Grandora
Vandura
Tadmore
Tuxford

Teletype Installations

Swift Current

Six telegraph repeaters were installed to replace the one-way polar repeaters giving improved service for British United Press and providing additional facilities.

Moose Jaw

Three telegraph repeaters were installed with a teletypewriter with preforator to establish teletype service for Robert Simpson Western Limited, and improve teletype services for British United Press and Robin Hood Mills.

Teletype Installations (continued)

Regina

Nine telegraph repeaters were installed thereby improving service to British United Press, Robin Hood Mills and services from Saskatoon, Moose Jaw, Prince Albert and Winnipeg for Robert Simpson's.

Additional teletype machines were installed and some types changed for Simpson's service.

Two send-receive machines were installed for service between the R.C.M.P. barracks and M.D.12.

A telegraph relay re-magnetizer was installed to re-magnetize relays. An additional regenerative repeater was installed and the D.C. motor on the existing repeater was replaced with a synchronous A.C. motor.

A 1A telegraph test set was acquired which measures the degree of telegraph signal distortion.

Fluorescent Lighting

Fluorescent lighting was installed at Head Office, Regina and the toll room at Kindersley.

In addition to the above the regular plant maintenance, installing, changing and removal of subscriber equipment were carried out.

Summary of Statistics on Toll Work

x Decrease in pole mileage, miles	1.49
x Increase in wire milcage, circuit miles	489.74
Complete pole replacement, miles	295.31
Complete pole replacement and pole leads moved due to road construction, miles	30.75
Pole leads moved due to road construction, miles	60.00
Partial pole replacement, miles	15.30
New poles used on existing toll plant	9,476
New poles used on new toll plant	551
Derived circuits from carrier, circuit miles	3,061.45
x Derived circuits from phantom transposing, circuit miles	206.81
x Includes decrease by removal of Regina to Kronau lead - 15.84 pole miles, 230.72 wire circuit miles, 110.45 derived phantom circuit miles.	

Progress of the extension of long distance lines from 1930 is shown in the following table, -

	<u>Pole Miles</u>	<u>Wire Miles</u>
April 30, 1930	6,749.53	45,853.22
April 30, 1931	6,835.63	48,624.20
April 30, 1932	6,825.38	50,167.02
April 30, 1933	6,862.88	50,231.60
April 30, 1934	6,862.15	50,047.02
April 30, 1935	6,928.78	50,031.42
April 30, 1936	6,927.55	50,008.42
April 30, 1937	7,001.66	50,144.52
April 30, 1938	7,022.66	50,264.52
April 30, 1939	7,010.91	50,411.48
April 30, 1940	7,070.33	50,654.90
April 30, 1941	7,095.36	51,207.12
April 30, 1942	7,159.65	51,702.84
April 30, 1943	7,158.47	51,711.47
April 30, 1944	7,158.31	51,753.93
April 30, 1945	7,154.76	52,294.33
April 30, 1946	7,154.76	53,503.31
March 31, 1947	7,226.34	54,381.21
December 31, 1947	7,297.34	55,794.55
December 31, 1948	7,298.86	59,304.57
December 31, 1949	7,297.37	60,284.05

Commercial

The expansion in new services provided during 1949 exceeded all previous records as applied to either the total number in service at the end of the year or to the increase made during one year.

The number of local stations in service on December 31, 1949 was 70,460 as compared with 64,322 at December 31, 1948, an increase of 6,138. However, the demand for telephones was so great that we did not reduce our waiting list greatly in spite of this record breaking increase in local stations. On December 31, 1949 the number waiting for telephones was 6,868. In addition 1,550 subscribers, who want an improved service, were being served temporarily on two-party lines.

The revenue from message tolls again established a new high record. In 1949 this revenue totalled \$3,034,936.38 as compared with \$2,722,020.11 for 1948, an increase of 11.495 percent.

During the year the exchange at Melville was converted from magneto to automatic operation for both local and rural services. All local stations were converted to the cradle type and monthly billing was established. The rural service at Moose Jaw was also changed to automatic.

While the collection of earned revenue became somewhat more difficult the results obtained continued to be satisfactory.

Progress of the construction of long distance lines from 1930
is shown in the following table:

Year	Miles	Year	Miles
1930	1,000	1935	1,000
1931	1,000	1936	1,000
1932	1,000	1937	1,000
1933	1,000	1938	1,000
1934	1,000	1939	1,000
1940	1,000	1940	1,000
1941	1,000	1941	1,000
1942	1,000	1942	1,000
1943	1,000	1943	1,000
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1949	1,000	1949	1,000
1950	1,000	1950	1,000
1951	1,000	1951	1,000
1952	1,000	1952	1,000
1953	1,000	1953	1,000
1954	1,000	1954	1,000
1955	1,000	1955	1,000
1956	1,000	1956	1,000
1957	1,000	1957	1,000
1958	1,000	1958	1,000
1959	1,000	1959	1,000
1960	1,000	1960	1,000

Construction

The construction of new long distance lines from 1930 to 1960 is shown in the following table:

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Commercial Statistics

Status of Lake Waskesiu, Lake Alma, Glenbush and Somme changed from toll station to agency exchange.

Exchanges closed:

Forgan, Tuxford and Hoey,

New Toll Stations:

Gateway, Bertwell, Clemenceau and Richmond.

Toll Stations Closed:

Tadmore, Candiac, Demaine, North Forres, Grandora, Vandura, Beverley and Grandora (sub-office).

Total Number of Offices Open as at December 31, 1949:

Exchanges	-	352
Toll Stations	-	214

There are seventy-seven villages and hamlets connected to nearest exchanges by party line. Tuxford and Hoey were added since our last report.

The following telephone directories were issued:

Division Directories	- 1A, 1B	- 1949 issue
	2A, 2B, 2C	- 1949 issue
	3A, 3B, 3C	- 1949 issue
City Directories	- Regina	- January, 1949 and September, 1949 issues
	Saskatoon	- June, 1949 issue
	Moose Jaw	- July, 1949 issue

The total number of rural telephone companies connected to System exchanges as at December 31, 1949 was 862.

The following rural telephone companies formerly connected to non-System exchanges were connected to System exchanges during this period:

Wabash	-	Arcola Exchange
Candiac	-	Montmartre Exchange
Beverley South	-	Swift Current Exchange
West Beverley	-	Swift Current Exchange

The following new rural telephone companies were connected to System exchanges during the year:

Evington	- Tisdale Exchange
Foot Hills	- Maple Creek Exchange
Kuroki	- Wadena Exchange
Arm River	- Davidson Exchange
Grandora	- Saskatoon Exchange

The following rural telephone companies, previously reported disconnected were reconnected during the year:

Malvern	- Ituna Exchange
Bedford	- Neville Exchange
Bigford	- Swift Current Exchange

The following rural telephone companies went out of existence due to being purchased by other companies:

Verwood	- purchased by Readlyn R.T. Co. Ltd.
Ardine	- purchased by Wawota R.T. Co. Ltd.
Fernley	- purchased by Wawota R.T. Co. Ltd.
Glen Adelaide	- purchased by Wawota R.T. Co. Ltd.
Dumas-Kennedy	- purchased by Wawota R.T. Co. Ltd.
Alpha	- purchased by Montmartre R.T. Co. Ltd.
Bausley	- purchased by Perdue R.T. Co. Ltd.
Forgan	- purchased by Hughton R.T. Co. Ltd.
Bellevue-Domremy	- purchased by Spring Grove R.T. Co. Ltd.
Hoey	- purchased by Spring Grove R.T. Co. Ltd.
Heil's Lake	- purchased by High Bluff R.T. Co. Ltd.
Pheasant Creek	- purchased by High Bluff R.T. Co. Ltd.
Pheasant Forks	- purchased by High Bluff R.T. Co. Ltd.
Finnie	- purchased by High Bluff R.T. Co. Ltd.
South Gravelbourg	- purchased by Range Line R.T. Co. Ltd.

Agency changes took place at 65 points as follows:

Aberdeen, Admiral, Assiniboia, Beechy, Belbutte, Bertwell (2), Biggar, Bladworth, Broadview, Cabri, Carlyle Lake, Christopher Lake, Colgate, Coronach, Court, Crestwynd, Davidson, Domremy, Duck Lake (2), Dunblane, Estevan, Fairholme, Flintoft, Furness, Garrick, Govenlock, Hazenmore, Hirsch, Hoffer, Humboldt, Jansen, Kamsack, Kindersley, Kisbey (2), Lajord, Lancer, Leader, Love (2), McKague, Maple Creek, Marquis, Mattes, Meath Park, Minton, Mistatim, Moose Range, Mullingar, Onion Lake, Osler, Porcupine Plain, Prelate, Rabbit Lake, Radisson, Ravenscrag, Robsart (2), Rosetown, Shaunavon, Snowden (3), Somme, South Makwa, Steen, Success, Tantallon, Tisdale and Watrous.

System Exchanges

<u>Exchange</u>	No. of Local Stations	No. of Rural Stations	<u>Exchange</u>	No. of Local Stations	No. of Rural Stations
Abbey	29	82	Carragana	15	-
Aberdeen	37	132	Carrot River	102	-
Abernethy	89	99	Carruthers	8	82
Admiral	16	107	Central Butte	36	117
Alameda	46	87	Ceylon	45	174
Alsask	11	20	Chaplin	36	100
Amulet	7	43	Choiceland	15	-
Aneroid	40	106	Churchbridge	25	163
Arborfield	20	-	Climax	22	-
Arcola	98	164	Coderre	17	39
Arran	13	165	Colgate	15	42
Asquith	51	219	Conquest	34	54
Assiniboia	351	303	Consul	5	-
Atwater	8	60	Coronach	28	63
Avonlea	51	99	Craik	62	112
			Crooked River	4	-
Balcarres	104	155	Cudworth	66	222
Balgonie	30	238	Cupar	81	187
Bangor	14	59			
Bateman	13	113	Davidson	156	204
Battleford	160	210	Debden	15	-
Beechy	22	-	Delisle	76	137
Bengough	37	50	Denzil	12	100
Bethune	55	145	Dilke	18	82
Bienfait	42	79	Dinsmore	45	83
Biggar	310	238	Dodsland	40	99
Big River	31	6	Dollard	10	46
Birch Hills	109	446	Domremy	52	310
Bjorkdale	5	-	Dubuc	25	126
Bladworth	17	56	Duck Lake	19	27
Blaine Lake	66	269	Dunblane	-	10
Borden	31	61	Dundurn	42	81
Bracken	1	-	Dysart	31	150
Bredenbury	40	88			
Briercrest	46	148	Earl Grey	29	185
Broadview	141	145	Eastend	79	37
Brock	39	87	Eatonina	49	78
Broderick	21	69	Edam	52	247
Bromhead	14	94	Elbow	35	75
Brownlee	13	78	Elfros	44	235
Bruno	62	156	Elrose	91	51
Buchanan	29	129	Ernfold	12	98
			Esterhazy	96	201
Cabri	89	126	Estevan	535	240
Cadillac	31	82	Eston	308	287
Canora	223	299	Expanse	1	43
Canwood	28	37	Eyeblow	23	44
Carlyle	117	175			
Caron	30	76			

TABLE 1.

Year	Month	Area	Length	Weight	Sex
1950	1	100	100	100	100
1950	2	100	100	100	100
1950	3	100	100	100	100
1950	4	100	100	100	100
1950	5	100	100	100	100
1950	6	100	100	100	100
1950	7	100	100	100	100
1950	8	100	100	100	100
1950	9	100	100	100	100
1950	10	100	100	100	100
1950	11	100	100	100	100
1950	12	100	100	100	100
1951	1	100	100	100	100
1951	2	100	100	100	100
1951	3	100	100	100	100
1951	4	100	100	100	100
1951	5	100	100	100	100
1951	6	100	100	100	100
1951	7	100	100	100	100
1951	8	100	100	100	100
1951	9	100	100	100	100
1951	10	100	100	100	100
1951	11	100	100	100	100
1951	12	100	100	100	100
1952	1	100	100	100	100
1952	2	100	100	100	100
1952	3	100	100	100	100
1952	4	100	100	100	100
1952	5	100	100	100	100
1952	6	100	100	100	100
1952	7	100	100	100	100
1952	8	100	100	100	100
1952	9	100	100	100	100
1952	10	100	100	100	100
1952	11	100	100	100	100
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1953	6	100	100	100	100
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Fielding	6	56	Kamsack	317	169
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Fillmore	73	136	Keeler	16	48
Fleming	28	68	Kelfield	31	98
Foam Lake	134	176	Kelliher	51	186
Ft. Qu'Appelle	189	73	Kelvington	120	77
Francis	21	70	Kennedy	44	211
Frenchman Butte	12	-	Kenosee Lake	6	-
Frobisher	26	102	Kerrobert	177	197
Frontier	7	-	Kincaid	47	172
Garrick	3	-	Kindersley	298	323
Gainsborough	44	55	Kinistino	157	502
Gladmar	6	-	Kipling	100	272
Glaslyn	12	-	Kisbey	39	96
Glenavon	44	148	Krydor	13	114
Glenbush	6	-	Kuroki	11	-
Glidden	14	60	La Fleche	86	176
Goodeve	16	87	Lake Alma	6	-
Goodsoil	15	-	Lancer	9	23
Gravelbourg	130	147	Landis	38	146
Gray	22	35	Langenburg	88	277
Grayson	26	102	Langham	47	212
Grenfell	175	344	Lanigan	65	146
Gronlid	14	-	Lashburn	87	195
Guernsey	18	101	Lawson	6	46
Gull Lake	138	135	Leader	71	-
Hafford	42	145	Leask	28	124
Hague	25	72	Leipzig	7	61
Halbrite	14	39	Lemberg	102	256
Hanley	77	132	Leoville	21	-
Harris	30	151	Leslie	17	135
Hazelcliffe	-	30	Lestock	24	86
Hazenmore	11	51	Liberty	26	70
Hazlet	6	-	Limerick	79	159
Herbert	91	119	Lintlaw	22	171
Herschel	34	228	Lipton	46	139
Hodgeville	36	252	Leon Lake	15	-
Holdfast	23	82	Loreburn	27	81
Hudson Bay	76	-	Loverna	4	12
Hughton	22	108	Lucky Lake	30	162
Humboldt	372	472	Lumsden	111	249
			Luseland	69	167
Imperial	76	152			
Indian Head	315	184	Macklin	81	196
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Ituna	49	102	MacRorie	14	148

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Maidstone	101	217	Paddockwood	5	-
Major	18	-	Palmer	8	75
Manor	25	110	Paradise Hill	19	-
Mantario	8	47	Paynton	24	66
Maple Creek	257	59	Pelly	31	82
Marcelin	20	101	Pennant	34	83
Marengo	13	33	Penzance	15	63
Margo	24	83	Perdue	101	439
Markinch	30	72	Piapot	34	31
Marsden	59	212	Pierceland	7	-
Marshall	19	148	Plato	25	202
Mawer	11	40	Plenty	28	81
Mazenod	24	63	Ponteix	65	168
Meacham	17	44	Porcupine Plain	16	-
Meadow Lake	203	11	Preeceville	64	119
Meath Park	13	-	Prelate	32	30
Medstead	12	-	Prince Albert	2990	413
Melfort	520	733	Prudhomme	19	55
Melville	631	415	Punnichy	63	200
Mendham	5	-			
Meota	37	116	Qu'Appelle	98	208
Meyronne	34	150	Quill Lake	88	210
Midale	50	85			
Middle Lake	22	148	Rabbit Lake	5	-
Montmartre	49	151	Radisson	42	87
Moose Jaw	6016	616	Radville	143	96
Moosomin	329	318	Readlyn	13	192
Morse	52	100	Redvers	49	144
Mortlach	30	98	Regina	20537	704
Mossbank	57	72	Regina Beach	16	-
			Rhein	23	104
Neidpath	13	78	Ridgedale	45	165
Netherhill	14	40	Riverhurst	26	88
Neudorf	67	266	Rocanville	90	222
Neville	24	127	Roche Percee	1	3
Nipawin	287	208	Rock Glen	16	-
Nokomis	79	79	Rosetown	375	332
Norquay	38	80	Rosthern	164	234
N. Battleford	1192	336	Rose Valley	86	142
			Rouleau	102	110
Ogema	52	151	Ruddell	12	120
Osage	15	53	Rush Lake	12	78
Osler	11	54			
Outlook	111	41	Saltcoats	90	307
Oxbow	130	93	Salvador	23	135

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Saskatoon	15165	530	Tramping Lake	18	80
Sceptre	35	55	Tribune	2	28
Scotsguard	2	72	Truax	8	62
Scott	43	70	Tugaske	16	66
Sedley	20	45	Turtleford	64	261
Semans	65	187	Tyvan	14	46
Shackleton	11	45			
Shaunavon	321	246	Unity	239	347
Sheho	18	32			
Shellbrook	125	433	Val Marie	12	-
Shell Lake	7	-	Vanguard	61	204
Simpson	44	90	Vantage	10	64
Sintaluta	49	71	Veregin	20	117
Smeaton	14	-	Vibank	16	54
Smiley	15	126	Viceroy	23	123
Somme	15	-	Vonda	40	16
Southey	56	186			
South Makwa	9	-	Wadena	220	304
Sovereign	39	71	Wakaw	63	178
Speers	26	162	Wapella	100	241
Spiritwood	55	-	Waseca	20	128
Springside	43	102	Watrous	243	240
Spring Valley	1	9	Wawota	71	256
Springwater	8	22	Webb	18	93
Spy Hill	31	85	Welwyn	27	50
Star City	130	398	Weyburn	1195	512
Stockholm	41	150	White Bear	68	113
Stoughton	80	185	White Fox	29	-
Strasbourg	112	197	Whitewood	133	259
Strongfield	10	66	Wilcox	54	97
Sturgis	72	149	Wilkie	236	207
St. Boswells	7	53	Willow Bunch	66	115
St. Brieux	30	108	Windthorst	53	269
St. Gregor	13	84	Wiseton	31	65
St. Walburg	47	-	Wolseley	158	198
Success	7	97	Wood Mountain	8	-
Swift Current	1196	251	Woodrow	28	149
			Wynyard	202	229
Tantallon	25	100			
Theodore	49	242	Yellow Creek	18	-
Tisdale	311	484	Yorkton	1404	540
Togo	34	107			
Tompkins	48	66	Zealandia	28	100
Torquay	25	141	Zenon Park	8	-

SUMMARY OF SYSTEM OWNED STATIONS AND OF RURAL
COMPANY STATIONS CONNECTED TO SYSTEM EXCHANGES
1910 - 1949

<u>Date</u>	<u>Local Stations</u>	<u>Rural Stations Connecting</u>	<u>Total</u>
February 28, 1910	3,412	2,298	5,710
February 28, 1911	5,562	3,433	8,995
February 29, 1912	9,843	2,462	12,305
February 28, 1913	14,826	4,035	18,861
April 30, 1914	16,746	4,188	20,934
April 30, 1915	15,587	6,385	21,972
April 30, 1916	15,677	9,196	24,873
April 30, 1917	18,669	14,507	33,176
April 30, 1918	24,690	21,343	46,033
April 30, 1919	23,889	29,006	52,895
April 30, 1920	27,611	34,844	62,455
April 30, 1921	30,570	42,627	73,197
April 30, 1922	31,760	44,270	76,030
April 30, 1923	31,811	43,756	75,567
April 30, 1924	31,726	41,894	73,620
April 30, 1925	31,783	40,939	72,722
April 30, 1926	32,852	41,389	74,241
April 30, 1927	34,218	42,475	76,693
April 30, 1928	37,084	42,695	79,779
April 30, 1929	40,501	43,984	84,485
April 30, 1930	41,959	43,968	85,927
April 30, 1931	39,768	39,303	79,071
April 30, 1932	35,738	34,278	70,016
April 30, 1933	32,286	31,850	64,136
April 30, 1934	31,392	30,208	61,600
April 30, 1935	31,262	30,306	61,568
April 30, 1936	32,811	31,371	64,182
April 30, 1937	34,201	32,354	66,555
April 30, 1938	33,828	31,933	65,761
April 30, 1939	35,202	32,257	67,459
April 30, 1940	37,009	32,945	69,954
April 30, 1941	39,276	33,555	72,831
April 30, 1942	42,035	33,772	75,807
April 30, 1943	44,103	34,978	79,081
April 30, 1944	46,913	36,914	83,827
April 30, 1945	48,779	38,338	87,117
April 30, 1946	52,346	39,278	91,624
March 31, 1947	56,159	40,273	96,432
December 31, 1947	58,902	41,229	100,131
December 31, 1948	64,322	42,645	106,967
December 31, 1949	70,460	43,841	114,301

Traffic

Speaking generally crop conditions in 1949 were very similar to crop conditions in 1948 and 1947. There was however a very marked unevenness and we had both good and bad crop areas. The south-west area, located mainly in Division One, was subjected to severe drought and experienced practically a complete crop failure. The area comprised of Division Three and part of Division Two, in the east and north of the province, prospered with good crops. In this latter area, in spite of augmentation of facilities, it was found difficult to maintain a reasonable quality of service. This was particularly marked on the circuit groups Regina-Melville-Yorkton-Canora, Regina-Moosomin and Melfort-Saskatoon.

A useful augmentation of circuits took place, the most important intra-provincial being the Saskatoon - Prince Albert group consisting of three circuits which was completed in December, 1949. The out-of-province facilities were also increased in a very important manner, new circuits being placed in operation to Minneapolis, Toronto, Calgary and Saskatoon to Calgary. Very useful additions in strategic points were made by means of additional "H" carrier circuits. The total of new circuits, both intra- and inter-provincial, was 31 and three circuits were lost due to rearrangement.

The grand total of completed calls originating in the province amounted to over five million for the first year in the history of the Company, an increase of 6.05% over the previous calendar year. There were, however, much greater increases in business to places outside the province.

Business increased

To U.S.A.....	29.8%
To Overseas Countries	21.4%
To Trans-Canada Points in Canada	12.7%
To Alberta.....	11.2%
To Manitoba	11%

The messages carried across the province between Manitoba and Alberta increased 14.6% and the messages carried across the province for more distant provinces increased by 20.5%.

There was a further slight increase in the number of minutes spoken per call, the average paid-for time being 2.84 minutes compared with 2.76 minutes in 1948.

There was an improvement during the year in the quality of long distance service. Some of the improvement was due to the augmentation of facilities and some due to the improved personnel condition.

MEMORANDUM

1. The purpose of this memorandum is to provide information regarding the proposed changes to the existing policy on the use of company vehicles for personal use. The proposed changes are intended to clarify the policy and ensure that all employees are aware of the rules and regulations governing the use of company vehicles.

2. The proposed changes are as follows: (a) The use of company vehicles for personal use is permitted only for short trips and must be pre-approved by the manager. (b) The use of company vehicles for personal use is prohibited during non-work hours. (c) The use of company vehicles for personal use is prohibited for any purpose that is not in the best interests of the company.

3. The proposed changes are intended to ensure that the use of company vehicles is consistent with the company's policy on the use of company resources. The proposed changes are also intended to ensure that the use of company vehicles is consistent with the company's policy on the use of company funds.

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The heavy turnover of staff was again continued. Resignations were 39.8% of the total average staff during 1949 as compared to 38.9% in 1948.

The following is a summary of long distance messages originating in Saskatchewan for the years 1910 to December, 1949 inclusive:

Year	Messages	Increase Over Previous Year	Year	Messages	Increase Over Previous Year
1910-11 ...	281,851	1930-31 ...	3,000,025	486,242 x
1911-12 ...	480,198	198,347	1931-32 ...	2,096,897	903,128 x
1912-13 ...	688,521	208,323	1932-33 ...	1,718,346	378,551 x
1913-14 ...	886,482	197,961	1933-34 ...	1,688,924	29,422 x
1914-15 ...	896,024	9,542	1934-35 ...	1,758,645	69,721
1915-16 ...	1,179,169	283,145	1935-36 ...	1,934,361	175,716
1916-17 ...	1,384,124	204,955	1936-37 ...	2,121,082	186,721
1917-18 ...	1,638,635	254,511	1937-38 ...	1,982,083	138,999 x
1918-19 ...	1,906,842	268,207	1938-39 ...	2,122,718	140,635
1919-20 ...	2,216,147	309,305	1939-40 ...	2,310,359	187,641
1920-21 ...	2,597,404	381,257	1940-41 ...	2,433,287	122,928
1921-22 ...	2,818,460	221,056	1941-42 ...	2,570,053	136,766
1922-23 ...	2,806,529	11,931 x	1942-43 ...	2,800,125	230,072
1923-24 ...	2,883,224	76,695	1943-44 ...	3,219,957	419,832
1924-25 ...	2,663,375	219,849 x	1944-45 ...	3,644,322	424,365
1925-26 ...	3,082,086	418,711	1945-46 ...	4,122,878	478,556
1926-27 ...	3,177,715	95,629	1946-47 ...	4,162,943	40,065
1927-28 ...	3,474,947	297,232	# 1947 ...	3,741,996	420,947 x
1928-29 ...	3,679,119	204,172	1948 ...	4,880,927	1,138,931
1929-30 ...	3,486,267	192,852 x	1949 ...	5,176,445	295,518

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Messages originating in Saskatchewan for areas outside of the province during 1949 were as follows:

To Manitoba	120,493
To Alberta	73,173
To other Canadian provinces	33,424
To U.S.A.	20,172
To Overseas countries	113

The total number of messages between Manitoba and Alberta carried through the province was 58,982.

The total number of messages carried through the province as Trans-Canada (including to and from U.S.A. via Trans-Canada) not including messages between Manitoba and Alberta or Overseas, was 184,942.

J. A. Darling,
Chairman,
Saskatchewan Government Telephones.

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SASKATCHEWAN GOVERNMENT TELEPHONES

BALANCE SHEET

as at December 31, 1949

A S S E T S

CAPITAL ASSETS:

Land		\$	192,873.10
Plant, buildings, office furniture and equipment:			
Buildings	\$ 1,016,848.32		
Plant	20,165,597.19		
Construction in progress	1,080,040.95		
Office furniture and fixtures	73,340.04		
Mechanical office equipment	70,523.40	22,406,349.90	
General equipment:			
Tools	\$ 134,248.95		
Vehicles	216,089.19	350,338.14	
Materials and supplies	\$ 804,977.63		
Less: Reserve for obsolescence and depreciation	100,000.00	704,977.63	
Sinking fund - Government of Saskatchewan		1,820,554.31	
		<u>\$25,475,093.08</u>	

CURRENT ASSETS:

Cash on hand and in banks	\$ 369,506.35		
Working advances - Employees	12,696.75		
Customers' accounts and miscellaneous accounts receivable	\$381,732.47		
Less: Reserve for bad and doubtful accounts	41,162.06	340,570.41	
Unexpired services and deferred charges:			
Insurance, directories and other charges	65,297.93	788,071.44	
		<u>\$26,263,164.52</u>	

AUDITOR'S REPORT

Pursuant to Treasury Board Regulations, an audit of the accounts and records of the Saskatchewan Government Telephones has been made under my direction for the fiscal year ended December 31, 1949. All the information and explanations required by me have been obtained.

Cash on hand has been verified with subsequent bank deposits, and bank balances by certificates from the depositaries. Sinking Fund Investments have been verified by examination. Securities held for Rural Telephone Companies in connection with investment of Special Levy Funds have been verified by examination and are shown in a separate Statement.

Provision has been made for depreciation of plant, buildings, office furniture and equipment in accordance with rates set by the Corporation and approved by the Government Finance Office. Full provision has been made for interest on capital advances.

SASKATCHEWAN GOVERNMENT TELEPHONES

EXHIBIT A

BALANCE SHEET

as at December 31, 1949

LIABILITIES

CAPITAL LIABILITIES:

Government of Saskatchewan - Investment		\$ 9,789,529.33
Reserve for depreciation - Plant, buildings, office furniture and fixtures	\$9,864,713.79	
Reserve for depreciation - Mechanical office equipment	36,858.36	
Reserve for depreciation - Tools	49,706.80	
Reserve for depreciation - Vehicles	112,897.21	
Sinking Fund reserve	<u>1,820,554.31</u>	<u>11,884,730.47</u>
		<u>\$21,674,259.80</u>

CURRENT LIABILITIES:

Government of Saskatchewan - Interest		
Accrued on advances	\$ 72,233.48	
Sundry accounts payable	18,863.62	
Service billed in advance	127,221.49	
Accrued liabilities not due:		
Provision for exchange charges on bonds payable in New York	<u>140,500.00</u>	<u>358,818.59</u>

CONTINGENT RESERVES:

Reserve for Workmen's Compensation	\$ 52,987.01	
Reserve for fire losses	<u>10,000.00</u>	<u>62,987.01</u>

SURPLUS APPROPRIATED FOR CAPITAL EXPENDITURE:

At December 31, 1948	\$2,884,938.60	
For the year ended December 31, 1949	<u>1,282,160.52</u>	<u>4,167,099.12</u>

\$26,263,164.52

Materials and supplies are shown at book value, priced at cost. Inventories were taken at March 31, 1949, by senior employees and are certified correct by them. Test checks were made at that time of the physical inventories, prices and extensions of materials and supplies on hand. The year-end value has been verified by certificate from a responsible official.

I report that, in my opinion, the above Balance Sheet and attached Statement of Income and Expenses are properly drawn up so as to show a true and correct view of the state of the financial affairs of the Saskatchewan Government Telephones as at December 31, 1949, and the results of operations for the year ended on that date, according to the best of my information, the explanations given to me and as shown by the books of account.

C. H. Smith, C.A.,
Auditor of Utilities.

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EXHIBIT B

STATEMENT OF INCOME AND EXPENSES

for the year January 1, 1949 to December 31, 1949

REVENUE:

Local service	\$2,411,511.60	
Rural Companies' connecting fees	158,287.95	
Toll service	3,034,936.38	
Miscellaneous	73,111.29	
TOTAL OPERATING REVENUE		\$5,677,847.22

EXPENSES:

Commercial	\$ 592,333.09	
Traffic	1,526,559.62	
Maintenance and engineering	700,545.52	
Station removals and changes	60,381.72	
General	222,911.68	
Fire and bond insurance	12,861.67	
Employees' Superannuation Fund - contributions	72,000.00	
Rural organization and inspection	69,599.93	
TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSES		3,257,193.23

Net operating revenue before providing for interest and exchange on Government advances and plant depreciation		\$2,420,653.99
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DEDUCT:

Provision for depreciation	\$ 691,845.64	
Sinking Fund charges also interest and accruals	111,368.81	
Total provision for depreciation of buildings, plant and office equipment for the year		803,214.45

NET OPERATING REVENUE		\$1,617,439.54
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ADD:

Interest and discounts	\$ 3,686.85	
Sinking Fund interest and accruals	86,748.78	90,435.63
		\$1,707,875.17

DEDUCT:

Interest and exchange on Government advances		425,714.65
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NET PROFIT FOR YEAR		\$1,282,160.52
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NET PROFIT APPROPRIATED AS FOLLOWS:

Transferred to surplus appropriated for capital expenditure (Exhibit A)		\$1,282,160.52
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STATEMENT OF WORK

For the year ending 31st March 1948

1. Salaries and wages	£ 1,200.00
2. Office expenses	£ 100.00
3. Travel expenses	£ 50.00
4. Postage and telegrams	£ 20.00
5. Printing and stationery	£ 10.00
6. Repairs and maintenance	£ 5.00
7. Insurance	£ 3.00
8. Miscellaneous	£ 2.00
Total	£ 1,410.00

9. Depreciation	£ 10.00
10. Interest on loans	£ 5.00
11. Taxation	£ 15.00
12. Dividends	£ 2.00
13. Retention of profits	£ 10.00
14. Reserve fund	£ 5.00
15. Other	£ 3.00
Total	£ 50.00

Grand Total £ 1,460.00

Approved by the Board of Directors

Signature of Chairman

Signature of Secretary

Signature of Treasurer

Signature of Auditor

Signature of Manager

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SASKATCHEWAN GOVERNMENT TELEPHONES

SCHEDULE OF CAPITAL ASSETS

as at December 31, 1949

	December 31, 1948	Increase for Year Ended Dec. 31, 1949	December 31, 1949
CAPITAL ASSETS:			
Land	\$ 189,166.13	\$ 275.00	\$ 189,441.13
Right of way	3,421.97	10.00	3,431.97
Buildings	1,005,706.55	11,141.77	1,016,848.32
Exchange Plant	10,430,556.29	1,571,312.80	12,001,869.09
Toll Plant	7,505,115.89	658,612.21	8,163,728.10
Work in progress	1,000,837.44	79,203.51	1,080,040.95
Office furniture and fixtures	67,509.73	5,830.31	73,340.04
Mechanical office equipment	55,944.35	14,579.05	70,523.40
Tools	115,868.01	18,380.94	134,248.95
Vehicles	173,993.19	42,096.00	216,089.19
Stock on hand - Gross	826,833.88	21,856.25Cr.	804,977.63
Sinking Fund Reserve	1,709,185.50	111,368.81	1,820,554.31
TOTAL CAPITAL ASSETS	\$23,084,138.93	\$2,490,954.15	\$25,575,093.08
SOURCE OF FUNDS:			
Net Capital Advances from Treasury			
Department and Government Finance			
Office	\$ 8,766,234.19	\$1,023,295.14	\$ 9,789,529.33
Moneys repaid to Treasury De-			
partment out of Depreciation			
Reserve Funds	6,901,881.86	26,704.86	6,928,586.72
Moneys expended on Plant out of			
Surplus and Depreciation			
Reserve Funds	5,706,837.38	1,329,585.34	7,036,422.72
Moneys invested in Sinking Fund			
out of Revenue	1,709,185.50	111,368.81	1,820,554.31
FUNDS PROVIDED FOR CAPITAL			
ASSETS	\$23,084,138.93	\$2,490,954.15	\$25,575,093.08

Note: Stock on hand of material and supplies is shown as a gross amount before deducting the Reserve for Obsolescence and Depreciation.

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