

PUT BLAME ON WARD POLITICS

Telephone Subscribers Fail to Understand New Exchange and Delay Service.

MANY PROFANE FOLK SWEAR

Jefferson Ward Screams When Informed That It Must Be Madison or Monroe.

With an increased number of calls, telephone troubles, incident to the inauguration of the double exchange system, were multiplied yesterday. From early in the morning until active business stopped for the night, twenty "informations"—men and women—had all they could do to take care of the calls. The whole trouble lay in the fact that subscribers, as a rule, paid no attention to the exchange prefixes, and almost invariably got "sore" when the central asked for them. Most of them said they had the new books, but had not noticed that there was any difference. Several hundred had, so they said, never heard that there was to be a change, though it had been advertised for at least a month. From early morning until the afternoon approximately 80 per cent. of the calls were wrong and had to be referred to the "information" desk the afternoon it was better, but not perfect by any means.

Confused by Ward Lines.

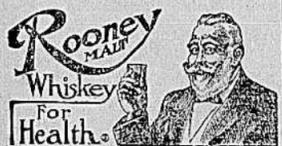
Many subscribers, who were inclined to follow the rules if they could, took it into their heads that the exchanges went like the ward lines, and did not seem to understand when told differently. One man called yesterday without giving his prefix, and was referred to information, who asked for the exchange, and suggested at the same time that it might be "Madison." The man, incensed at the delay, became very profane, declaring that he would not look it up. As luck would have it the number was in "Madison" and he got it. A woman, when asked her exchange was as much in the dark as though some one had asked her what ticket her husband would vote for. Governor. The information desk told her that she was in Madison's division. She told the girl that it was utterly beyond her understanding, saying that she had been born and raised in Richmond and that her taxes had always been paid in Jefferson Ward. The patient and explicit explanation she received in the proper spirit, but it was evident that she did not yet understand.

Even Manchester Rebels.

Some one called up from Manchester, "Madison" or "Monroe?" asked the girl. "Neither," replied the man at the other end of the line. "I'm in Manchester. When we get annexed, it never do. It will be Washington ward. What has politics got to do with a telephone number, anyhow?" "Information" told him. The company thought of this class of complication when the names of the exchanges were changed, and wished distinctly understood that no matter how many complaints, the delegations from Madison and Monroe wards will have absolutely no effect on the telephone service. All that is asked of subscribers, whether politicians or not, is that they follow instructions. With something like dread the company is looking forward to the work of to-day, which will undoubtedly be the hardest since the new exchanges have been started. Every desk that can be spared will be turned into an "information" desk, and all available employees will be put to work in this department. It is expected that this day will be sufficient to teach most of the big business concerns, and after that all to be done will be the education of servants and others who have to learn all things by hard knocks.

SOUTH BOSTON HAS GREAT CELEBRATION

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.) SOUTH BOSTON, Va., July 5.—South Boston to-day celebrated the twenty-fifth anniversary of its incorporation. The day was given over to the celebration and an elaborate program of addresses by Virginians and other interesting features was carried out. It was a "home-coming" day, and hundreds came from many States to renew old acquaintances and have a part in the festivities. Among the speakers were Joseph Stebbins, Jr., Lieutenant-Governor; J. Taylor Elyson, Hon. G. W. Kolner and Judge Samuel W. Williams. Lieutenant-Governor Elyson made a brief but interesting address, complimenting the people of South Boston on the growth of the town and the magnificent exhibit made. He was followed by Mr. Kolner, who spoke of how he had labored since being in office for the rebuilding of the state. Judge Williams, who is a candidate for Attorney-General, alluded to the impoverished condition of Virginia at the close of the War Between the States, and how the method and wisdom of the State had worked hand in hand to restore it to its glory and prosperity.



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MANY CLAUSES ARE AGREED UPON

Several Points of Difference Yet Separate Richmond and Manchester.

TO MANAGE STREET FUNDS

Committee Wishes to Hold Taxes in Southside Bank and Super-vise Expenditures.

Committees from the City Council and the Chamber of Commerce are at work digesting the proposal made by a special committee from Manchester looking to a union of the cities. Unacquainted with the needs of the south-side city, the Richmond committee merely indicated its willingness for union on proper terms, and left to the Manchester committee the duty of drawing up a schedule, it was said. This it has done, somewhat on the principle of a Chinese bargain. Some-where between Richmond's original offer and the counterproposal from Manchester lies the fair and equitable basis of consolidation believed to be the desire of the people of both cities, irrespective of the views of the office-holding class.

The Manchester proposal, to which an answer must be given shortly, naturally divides into three heads: the conditions which are a necessary part of any union, and may be taken as a matter of course; some requests from the Manchester committee which might be considered debatable as questions of policy; and those requests which have been held to violate the charter of Richmond, and would be clearly impracticable without legislative enactment and long delays.

Many Clauses Agreed Upon.

There are twenty-three clauses in the Manchester proposal. No reasonable objection, it is believed, will be raised to sections 1, 2, 3, 11, 12, 13, 15, 16, 17, 18, 21 and 22, which provide that the city of Manchester shall be known as Richmond; that the charter of Richmond be retained; that Manchester become one ward of Richmond, with one ward's representation in the Council and boards of the city; that members of the police and fire department of Manchester become members of these departments of the united city, with the corresponding increase in pay; that all Manchester office-holders, elective and appointive, continue to draw their salaries for the period for which they were elected; that the water filtration system of Manchester be retained, at least until Richmond is able to furnish as good or better water; that Manchester be provided with proper school facilities; that the streets be lighted with arc lights, as in Richmond; extension of city gas into the new territory; provision for liquor licenses in Manchester in proportion to the number in Richmond; exemption from the ordinance against explosives in Richmond of certain manufacturing and storage plants now doing business in Manchester; and the enacting clause embraced in clause 22.

Some Points of Division.

Articles over which there may be debate are clauses 4 and 8, which provide for the maintenance of two bridges between the cities instead of one, as offered, though the Richmond committee has expressed no preference between the two sites mentioned. The erection of a new fire engine house in Manchester and the erection of a new city building for the Corporation and Police Courts might be dependent on the present condition of Manchester buildings, though there can be no doubt that Richmond will provide adequate fire protection for the new area. Clauses to which Richmond may possibly object, both on the ground of expense and impracticability as well as because of charter provisions conflicting, will be that for separate collection of Manchester taxes, and the keeping of this fund in a separate bank account, though no objection would be made to making the Southside banks street depositories, the retention of the Corporation Court, to be known as Corporation Court No. 2, although there are those who believe that the complete growth of the city will inevitably lead to the establishment of a new court of record; the establishment of a separate Magistrate or Police Court in the Southside, which might open the way for holding Magistrate's courts in Fulton, Fairmount and at the Reservoir; and the maintenance of a separate jail in Manchester, where persons awaiting trial might be held, the jail being considered a necessary adjunct to a branch criminal court.

Clauses on which there is danger of serious division are paragraphs 5, 19 and 20. Richmond's proposition offered to spend 10 per cent. of the revenue derived from the territorial limits of Manchester for five years on street and sidewalk improvements in that area. Since the annual income of Manchester exceeds \$100,000, and for years the street depositories on her territory are \$100,000, it will be seen that Richmond's offer of 10 per cent. means an enormous increase in street expenditures, but the counter proposition provides that this sum shall be spent as the Manchester representatives, not the City Council, may determine, a provision believed to be unconstitutional and which would put into the hands of the Manchester delegates the spending of more than \$100,000 a year for five years. There may also be objection to the clause exempting Manchester from the operation of the local assessments law, and if this exemption is allowed, there will be little or no alley and sidewalk paving in the new territory. Exemption from the special sewer tax would not be a serious question, as the tax is not charged in Richmond where sewer and water mains are not furnished, so that the great part of Manchester would be exempt in any case until a new sewerage system is introduced. The Manchester committee will be called to act on the Manchester proposition later this week.

ARREST MOTHER OF SEVEN

Mrs. Plateau, Described Wife, Also Charged with Being Disorderly and Assaulting Percy Witt, a Boy. Mrs. George Plateau, a deserted wife and the mother of seven small children, was arrested yesterday and brought to the Second Police Station, where she was held in a small sum for her appearance in Police Court this morning. It seems, according to Mrs. Plateau's story, that Charles Whitley struck her in the groin, and that she drove him away. Later, she swore out a warrant against him because she has only herself to protect her children. The charge against her was on a cross-warrant, sworn out after the one issued against Whitley had been served. Mrs. Plateau stated to the officers that her husband left her about two months ago, and that she had seven children to care for and feed.

CHARGE HOUSEBREAKING

Three Colored Women Alleged to Have Entered Old Jefferson Club. Maria Lewis, Roberta Brown and Emma Taylor, three colored women, were arrested yesterday on a charge of breaking into the old Jefferson Club, at 402 East Clay Street, and the Brown woman was further charged with taking away a lot of glassware. She had about two basketful when caught. The women claimed that they were not stealing, that they were just picking up articles that had been thrown away. The clubhouse had been vacant for some time, but part of the furniture had not been moved, and it was some of this which the women were alleged to have been looking for. They were all locked up without bail, Judge Witt being out of town.

Hurled to Death.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.) WINSTON-SALEM, N. C., July 5.—Charles Smith, colored, was hurled to death to-day, his overalls being caught in the cogwheels of a machine operated by the Atlantic Bihullitic Company, by whom the negro was employed.

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Building Now Rising to Roof Will Be Finest of Kind in South.

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Large Open Gymnasium, Swimming Pool and Tennis Courts in Annex.

Rapid progress is being made on the new Central Young Men's Christian Association Building, now rising to its roof at the northwest corner of Seventh and Grace Streets. The builder's estimate on completion is January 1, and the indications are that the structure of the year will see the Richmond Y. M. C. A. in more commodious and effective quarters than any association in the South. Already the building in outline gives some idea of what may be expected from the completed structure. For a comparison it is sufficient to say that, not counting athletic fields and roof garden, the new building has four times the floor space of the one now in use, while in convenience of arrangement it is believed to be the equal, if superior to any club or Y. M. C. A. building yet erected.

Attractive Auditorium. Facing on Grace Street are both the main entrance and the entrance to the auditorium annex, a compact, well proportioned hall, seating about 600 on the first floor, with a large gallery available for all classes of meetings and entertainments given under the association auspices, save possibly the occasional great men's mass-meetings, for which some church or theatre is usually secured.

The first floor of the main building shows the usual offices, parlors and reception rooms, with a space along the Seventh Street side, convenient to a side entrance, for a lunch room. The basement has provision for barber shop, bowling alley, individual exercise rooms and ice storage in the gymnasium behind the auditorium, and on a level with the main floor, is the gymnasium, an oval clear space with running gallery, clear of posts and flooded with light and ventilation, easily the best gymnasium floor in Richmond, if not in the South. Directly beneath the gymnasium is the swimming pool, now almost complete, while directly above the gymnasium, carried on heavy steel girders, on which a railroad train might safely run, is space for tennis courts, and in the open air or with arrangement for a glass protect or use in bad weather. Adjoining the tennis courts is the roof of the auditorium, of hard concrete, and suitable for open-air meetings on summer evenings, garden parties or summer entertainments.

Demand for Dormitories.

The demand for dormitories in building is largely given to the boys' department, with various other features not included in the present association work. The third floor, above the boys' rooms, is for the night educational classes, while on the other side there are a number of study rooms and rooms in which a supper or entertainments may be served. Three upper floors, now being put on, are devoted largely to dormitories, about ninety rooms being provided, for which there is already a large demand. Each room will have running water and a number of private baths.

The number of inquiries for these rooms is a strong indication of the demand for downtown apartment houses. Already there are rumors that the new owners of the Lutheran Church lot, just across Seventh Street from the Y. M. C. A. building, recently purchased by Emanuel Raab and others for \$40,000, will be used for an apartment house, although the new owners are not ready as yet to announce their plans. Greater show, however, that property along this part of Grace Street has increased in value fully 50 per cent. since the purchase of the Y. M. C. A. lot was made. There is much speculation as to what will be done with the old Y. M. C. A. Building, which is now for sale. There have been several inquiries, and any day may see the announcement of a large business improvement at the corner of Sixth and Main Streets.

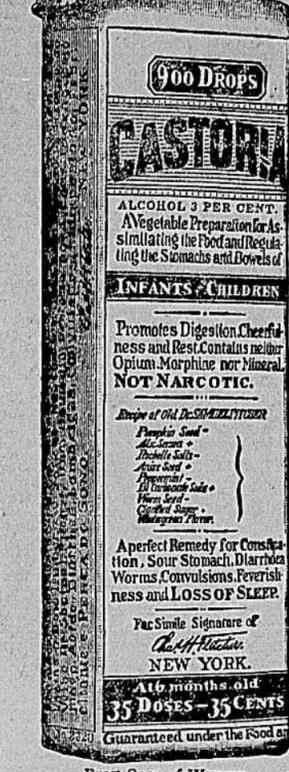
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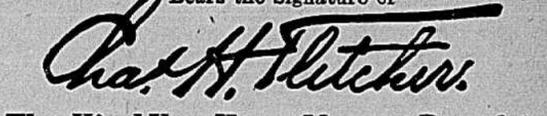
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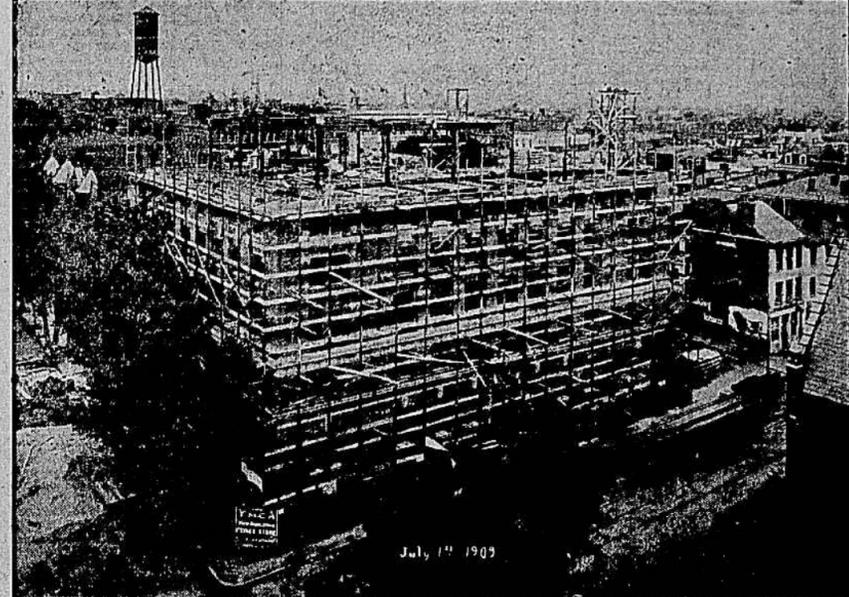
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test. This forced the employment of many unit telegraphers. "Railroading" by telephone is also less of a physical strain than by telegraphing.

Delegates Named. BUENA VISTA, Va., July 5.—A called meeting of the Republican voters of the city was held in the court-

EVERYBODY OUGHT TO BE HAPPY, JOHN D. THINKS

CLEVELAND, O., July 5.—John D. Rockefeller, attired in black-frock coat, white waistcoat and dark striped trousers, Sunday took up again the thread of his attendance at the Euclid Avenue Baptist Sunday school, which he began fifty-six years ago. He made a speech to the children and incidentally gave his approval to the "same Fourth" idea.

"I want to tell you that joining this Sunday school is the best thing I ever did," he said. "And this is the happiest Fourth I have spent in a long time."

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house Saturday evening and the following delegates were elected: For the State convention, J. M. Updike and S. W. Tardy; for the national convention, J. F. Reed, J. M. Updike and S. W. Tardy.

The delegates were allowed to select their own alternates and were instructed to vote as a unit. These were the only instructions given.

"Oh, no," cried Mr. Rockefeller. "You might get blown up if you had. When I came to Cleveland, a boy fourteen years old, I was attending school and boarding at an old house on Erie Street," he said. "I went past that house yesterday, and it recalled old times. But, the fortunate thing for me was that my landlady told me that Deacon Sked had a Sunday school class and that I ought to join. This was the beginning of my life in the Sunday school and church, and I have been happy ever since."

"My friends, what varied experiences we have. Some of us complain of the trials we have; some of us even of the sunshine that comes into our lives. We should all be happy. We need to know how to keep the good and forget the wrong; to appreciate the blessings which God showers upon us."

At the morning church service, which Mr. Rockefeller attended, the new pastor, the Rev. W. W. Bustard, spoke on the text, "Friend, Go Up Higher." In the course of his remarks he said: "It is a sad revelation of the times when poverty cries 'Relieve me!' the outcast, 'Save me!' the starving, 'Feed me!' and the wealthy turn their backs and seek pleasure."

After participating in the communion

service, Mr. Rockefeller returned to Forest Hill in an automobile.

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