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LIST OF SUBSCRIBERS OF VARIOUS HALLAM COMPANIES WHO WERE INCLUDED IN THE DETERMINATION OF THE PAYMENT MADE BY THE LINCOLN TELEPHONE AND TELEGRAPH COMPANY UNDER ITS AGREEMENT WITH THE HALLAM COMPANIES OF AUGUST 8, 1958.

SALT CREEK TELEPHONE COMPANY: 250<sup>00</sup>

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| Prieb, Ralph X   | Reddish, Earl X      |
| Rahorst, Ervin X | Schwaninger, Naomi X |
| Rahorst, Henry X |                      |

o.k.  
250.00

OLIVE BRANCH TELEPHONE COMPANY: 400<sup>00</sup>

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| Alderman, A. L. (owned by A. G. Schwaninger - new tenant apparently Bates) X | Messman, Harold X  |
| Elder, Tom X   | Messman, Dick X    |
| Messman, August X  | Messman, William X |
|  | Nannen, Ed X       |
|  | Nannen, Emory X    |

400.00  
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BUDA CENTER TELEPHONE COMPANY: 450<sup>00</sup> Less 50.00 for Gerdes

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| Benes, Andrew X                | Oltman, Vernon X     |
| Block, Fred X                  | Schramm, David X     |
| Gerdes, M. A. X                | Schwaninger, Loren X |
| Gerdes, Raymond X (non-signer) | Wells, Delton X      |
| Lahm, E. H. X                  |                      |

o.k.  
~~450.00~~ Less 50.00  
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FARMERS TELEPHONE COMPANY OF HALLAM: 900<sup>00</sup>

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| Dare, John X                 | Luhrs, Everett X      |
| Eggert, Edwin X              | McCord, Glen X        |
| Haas, Fred William X         | Miller, Robert X      |
| Heusenkvelt, Gilbert X       | Plambeck, Jerry X     |
| Heusenkvelt, Marvin D. X     | Quathamar, Ted X      |
| Heusenkvelt, Owen X          | Sullivan, John X      |
| X School House (District 61) | Theasmeyer, Hayward X |
| Schramm, Carl X              | Wagner, Herman X      |
| Schwaninger, Raymond X       |                       |
| Steiglemeyer, Victor X       |                       |

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850.00  
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FARMERS TELEPHONE COMPANY OF CLATONIA: 550.00

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| Blome X         | Sagehorn X                                  |
| Carstin X       | Schenakau X                                 |
| Gerlach, Lynn X | Schneider X (owner - Robert Gerlach tenant) |
| Grenseman X     | Speth X                                     |
| Pfieffer X      | Wieting X                                   |
| Pospisil X      |   |

550.00  
o.k.

STAR TELEPHONE COMPANY: 350<sup>00</sup>

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Ebbers, Fred X  
 Janssen, Fred X  
 Oltman, Delmer X  
 Oltman, William X

Schwaninger, Arthur X  
 Schwaninger, Fred X  
 Schwaninger, Homer X

350.00

2850.00

HALLAM TELEPHONE COMPANY: (In-Town subscribers)

Alberts, Mrs. Emma X  
 Asseln, Gus X  
 Boller, John (non-signer) X  
 Busch, Harlan X  
 Buss, Louis X  
 Busch, Will X  
 Carsten, F. T. X  
 Congregational Parsonage X  
 Egner, Clarence X  
 Farmer's Grain Co. X  
 Focken, George X  
 Focken's Appliance & Garage X  
 Fire House X  
 Geistlinger, Harry X  
 Gerlach, Gus X  
 Gerlach, Mrs. Nettie X  
 Gross, John D. Rev. X  
 Hallam Bank X  
 Hallam Concrete Co.  
 a/k/a Hallam Lumber &  
 Supply Co. X  
 Hallam Grain Co. X  
 Hallam Hardware X  
 Hallam School X  
 Hanigan, Dr. John X  
 Heidecker, Helen X  
 Schnieder, Mrs. Henry X  
 Schwaninger, Adolph X  
 Schwaninger, Carl X  
 Schwaninger, Herman X  
 Seng Fix-It-Shop X  
 Seng, Jessie & Ervin X  
 Severin, George X  
 Severin, Hazel X  
 Socony-Mobil Oil Co. a/k/a  
 Wenz Ser.Sta. & Garage X  
 Steinmeyer, Dean X  
 Steinmeyer, Floyd X  
 Steinmeyer Grocery (Floyd's X  
 IGA)  
 Stenoren, Ralph X

Hile, Mrs. Oliver X  
 Hitchin' Post, The X  
 Kovarik, Mrs. V. J. X  
 Krull, Wm. X  
 Lauterbach, Milt X  
 Luckhart, Wm. X  
 Luhrs, Herman X  
 Mahlman, Mrs. Martha X  
 M. E. Parsonage X  
 Messman, Sophia X  
 Miller, Harry X  
 Oltman, Jacob X  
 Oltman, Raymond X  
 Peters, Mrs. Dick X  
 Pillard, Harry X  
 Potthoff, John X  
 Fresnel, Harold X  
 Rietfors, Fred X  
 Rippen, John X  
 Rocke, Garage X  
 Rock Island Depot X  
 Sagehorn, Geo. X  
 Schmailzl, Dale X  
 Schmailzl, John (non-signer) X  
 Schneider, Edwin X  
 Suiter, Everett X  
 Suiter's Grocery X  
 Sykes, Ward X  
 Tobaben, J. X  
 Vanier, John X  
 Wagenknecht, Herbert X  
 Wenz, J. H. (Res) X  
 Wenz, J. H. (Store) X  
 Wilson, V. M. X  
 Zimmerman, L. X  
 Schmidt, August X  
 (deceased subsequent  
 to signing consent and  
 authorizations)

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Rural Subscribers: 58 (including Raymond Gerdes)  
 Town Subscribers: 73 (including John Boller and  
 Total 131 John Schmailzl)

131 x \$50 = \$6,550.

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# Franchise Tax Report

Lancaster COUNTY, NEBRASKA.  
Hallam NEBRASKA, April 7<sup>th</sup>, 1932

- TO Hallam NEBRASKA.
1. NAME OF COMPANY Farmers and Hallam Tel Exchange  
LOCATION Hallam Neb
  2. CAPITAL STOCK authorized \$3000.00  
NUMBER OF SHARES into which stock is divided 600  
CAPITAL STOCK PAID UP \$900.00
  4. MARKET VALUE of shares of stock \$5.50  
ACTUAL VALUE of shares of stock \$5.50
  5. THE TRUE VALUE OF FRANCHISE \$  
GRANTED BY ✓
  6. DATE GRANTED May 1st 1911  
FOR WHAT PERIOD Operating under Board 1932
  7. TOTAL AMOUNT OF INDEBTEDNESS \$ none  
Except for current expenses, excluding from expenses the amount paid for purchase and improvement of property.
  8. THE AMOUNT OF CAPITAL ON WHICH A DIVIDEND WAS DECLARED DURING 1931 \$ none
  9. THE DATE OF EACH DIVIDEND DECLARED during said year ending December 31, 1931.....  
No dividend, assessments for expenses only
  10. THE RATE PERCENT OF EACH DIVIDEND DECLARED none
  11. THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF EACH DIVIDEND DECLARED during the year ending December 31, 1931..... \$ none
  12. GROSS EARNINGS during said year \$ 1294.88
  13. NET EARNINGS during said year \$ 0
  14. AMOUNT OF SURPLUS \$ ✓
  15. AMOUNT OF PROFIT ADDED TO SINKING FUND DURING SAID YEAR \$ ✓
  16. MAXIMUM PRICE AT WHICH SHARES OF STOCK SOLD DURING SAID YEAR \$ 5.50
  17. MINIMUM PRICE AT WHICH SHARES OF STOCK SOLD DURING SAID YEAR \$ 5.50
  18. AVERAGE PRICE AT WHICH STOCK SOLD DURING SAID YEAR \$

COUNTIES IN WHICH ASSESSED	PERSONAL PROPERTY ASSESSMENT IN EACH COUNTY	INTANGIBLE PROPERTY ASSESSED IN EACH COUNTY	REAL ESTATE ASSESSMENT IN EACH COUNTY	TOTAL ASSESSMENT IN EACH COUNTY
<u>Lancaster</u>	<u>none</u>	<u>none</u>	<u>1112</u> <u>amt of tax for 1930</u>	

(If more space is required use additional sheets)

We, Mr. Beak and Harry Lillard John Sychon  
officers having full knowledge of the finances and accounts of the said Company, being respectively  
Treasurer and Secretary (President)  
of the Farmers and Hallam Tel Exchange Company  
being duly sworn, do say that the statements made above are true and correct.

Mr. Beak Treasurer  
John Sychon President

SUBSCRIBED IN MY PRESENCE and sworn to before me this..... day of..... 1932.....

As found by State Board of Equalization and Assessment Franchise value for the year 1931.....  
TOTAL FRANCHISE VALUE..... \$.....  
(Over) To be Certified by Tax Commissioner to County Assessor

FORM AUTHORIZED BY WM. H. SMITH, TAX COMMISSIONER

APPOINTMENT OF RESIDENT AGENT  
for  
DOMESTIC CORPORATION

STATE OF NEBRASKA

To: FRANK MARSH, Secretary of State, Lincoln, Nebraska

RESOLVED, by the board of directors of Farmers and Hallam Telephone Exchange  
a corporation, that Floyd Steinmeyer

of Hallam Nebraska,  
(Office Number) (Street Address) (City)

be and he hereby is appointed resident agent of this corporation in the state of Nebraska, pursuant to Chapter 21, article 1, R. R. S. Nebraska, 1943, and that the president and secretary execute in behalf of this corporation, and under its corporate seal, the requisite and proper certificate of appointment and cause the same to be filed in the office of the secretary of state of the state of Nebraska, and, further, cause to be filed a certified copy thereof in the office of the county clerk of

Lancaster County, Nebraska.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the principal place of business of this corporation in the state of Nebraska is located at

(Office Number & Building) (Street Address)  
Lancaster Nebraska.  
(City or Town) (County)

We, Victor Schwaninger, president, and Fred H. Block, secretary of Farmers and Hallam Telephone Exchange, a corporation duly organized and existing under the laws of the state of Nebraska, United States of America, hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of the resolution duly and legally adopted by the directors of said corporation at a meeting held at Hallam, state of \_\_\_\_\_, on the 14 day of November, 1956.

Witness our hand this 14 day of November, 19 56

Victor Schwaninger  
President

[SEAL]

Attest: Fred Block  
Secretary

I, Floyd Steinmeyer, of Hallam, Nebraska, do hereby certify that I have accepted appointment as resident agent of Farmers and Hallam Telephone Exchange, a corporation, and have agreed to act as such agent pursuant to Chapter 21, article 1, R. R. S. Nebraska 1943.

WITNESS: F. J. Conner Floyd Steinmeyer

Buda Center

AGREEMENT

This Agreement entered into, in ten originals, on this 8 day of August, 1958 by and between Farmers and Hallam Telephone Exchange, Farmers Telephone Company of Clatonia, Farmers Telephone Company of Hallam, Star Telephone Company, Olive Branch Telephone Company, Salt Creek Telephone Company, Buda Center Telephone Company, and Hallam Telephone Company (all hereinafter sometimes called the Hallam Companies), and The Lincoln Telephone and Telegraph Company (hereinafter sometimes called the Lincoln Company),

WITNESSETH:

WHEREAS, after extended negotiations the Lincoln Company has verbally offered to purchase all of the assets of the Hallam Companies except cash on hand and accounts receivable; that as a consequence of such negotiations said offer of purchase has been verbally accepted by the officers and managers of the Hallam Companies pursuant to discussions and votes approving same had at previous meetings of the owners and members of the Hallam Companies; that in furtherance of such verbal agreement written consents and authorizations to and of such purchase and sale, dated as of May 10, 1958, have been circulated by officers and managers of the Hallam Companies among the owners and members thereof; that all owners and members of the Hallam Companies have executed said consents and authorizations with the exception of one owner and member of the Buda Center Telephone Company and the Farmers and Hallam Telephone Exchange (Raymond Cordes) and two owners and members of the Hallam Telephone Company and the Farmers and Hallam Telephone Exchange (John Geller and John Schmilzi); and

WHEREAS, certain individual owners and members of the Hallam Companies have agreed to indemnify the Lincoln Company against any loss, damage or liability which it may sustain by virtue of said three owners and members not having signed consents and authorizations, in order to induce the Lincoln Company

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1 to go through with such purchase and to execute this Agreement  
2 to confirm the terms and conditions of such purchase;  
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4 NOW THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual agreements set  
5 forth in this Agreement and the preambles thereof, it is agreed  
6 as follows:

7 1. The Hallam Companies, jointly and individually, agree  
8 to sell and the Lincoln Company agrees to purchase the follow-  
9 ing described property owned and possessed by the Hallam Com-  
10 panies as of May 10, 1954:

11 All land and improvements thereon, telephone plant  
12 and equipment, materials and supplies (but excepting  
13 cash on hand and accounts receivable) and franchises,  
14 easements and rights-of-way.

15 2. Lincoln agrees to pay an aggregate amount of \$6,550.00  
16 \_\_\_\_\_ in cash, which is constituted of \$50.00 for each  
17 present rural subscriber of one or more of such Hallam Companies  
18 who has agreed in a Consent and Authorization executed by him  
19 to become a subscriber of the Lincoln Company (being 58  
20 in number) and constituted of \$50.00 for each present subscriber  
21 of one or more of such Hallam Companies who is a resident within  
22 the corporate limits of the town of Hallam (being 73 in  
23 number).

24 3. The Lincoln Company further agrees to construct and  
25 install such new telephone plant and equipment as is reasonably  
26 necessary to provide the dial telephone service and facilities  
27 presently provided by it to subscribers in the Lincoln, Nebraska  
28 Common Service Area to such of the subscribers in the area pre-  
29 sently served by the Hallam Companies as agree to take such  
30 Lincoln Company service and pay therefor such rates and charges  
31 as from time to time are approved by the Nebraska State Railway  
32 Commission for Rate Group C or other classification approved by  
33 said Commission. The Lincoln Company further agrees that such  
34 construction and installation shall begin as soon as reasonably  
35 expeditiously as possible, taking into account delay that might  
be caused by unfavorable weather conditions, delayed delivery of

1 equipment, or other circumstances beyond the control of the  
2 Lincoln Company. That upon the completion of such new construct-  
3 ion and installation by the Lincoln Company the purchase and  
4 sale agreed-to herein shall be consummated.

5 4. The Hallam Companies, jointly and individually, agree  
6 to keep operating their respective companies and to continue  
7 furnishing the telephone service and facilities to their res-  
8 pective subscribers that such subscribers have been customarily  
9 receiving from the date hereof to the date of consummation of  
10 this Agreement and to perform all acts reasonably required to  
11 furnish such subscribers such telephone service, including but  
12 not limited to, maintaining in good operating condition their  
13 telephone plant and equipment. On said consummation date the  
14 Hallam Companies, jointly and individually, agree to furnish to  
15 the Lincoln Company a list in writing of all persons, firms or  
16 corporations who are owed, or claim to be owed, any debt or  
17 claim by any of the Hallam Companies. It is further expressly  
18 agreed and understood that the Lincoln Company by the execution  
19 of this Agreement is not assuming and agreeing to pay any debts  
20 and liabilities of any of the Hallam Companies and that the  
21 payment and satisfaction of any such debts and liabilities is  
22 and shall continue to be both before and after consummation of  
23 this Agreement the sole responsibility of the Hallam Companies.  
24 It is further agreed that all assets herein agreed to be pur-  
25 chased shall be delivered to the Lincoln Company free and clear  
26 of all encumbrances and the title to same shall be fully  
27 warranted as good and marketable.

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29 5. The Hallam Companies, jointly and individually, agree  
30 to make available for examination by the Lincoln Company, its  
31 employes, attorneys and accountants, at reasonable times, and  
32 for reasonable periods of time, from the date hereof to said  
33 date of consummation all of their respective books and records,  
34 including but not limited to, stock ledgers or other records  
35 showing owners or members of said Hallam Companies.

1           6. The Hallam Companies, jointly and individually, agree to  
2 make all reasonable efforts to obtain the execution of consents  
3 and authorizations by said three owners and members hereinabove  
4 referred-to as not having previously executed same. A copy of  
5 the form of the indemnification agreements referred to above  
6 as being executed by individual owners and members of the Hallam  
7 Companies, marked Exhibit A, is attached hereto and incorporated  
8 herein.

9           7. All parties, with the exception of the escrow agent  
10 hereinafter named, agree that immediately upon the execution of  
11 this agreement they will make a joint application to the Nebraska  
12 State Railway Commission for an order approving the provisions  
13 of this Agreement and the purchase and sale covered therein. It  
14 is expressly understood and agreed that in the event said  
15 Commission shall not enter an order approving the provisions of  
16 this Agreement and the purchase and sale covered therein, that  
17 this Agreement at the option of the Lincoln Company shall be  
18 null and void.

19           8. Upon the execution of this Agreement by the parties,  
20 duly executed deeds and other documents transferring the assets  
21 referred-to in Paragraph 1 hereinabove in form satisfactory to  
22 the attorneys for the Lincoln Company shall be delivered to The  
23 Hallam Bank, as escrow agent, by each of the Hallam Companies.  
24 In addition, the Lincoln Company shall deliver to said escrow  
25 agent its check in the amount of \$ 6,550.00 referred-  
26 to in Paragraph 2 hereinabove, payable to said escrow agent.  
27 Said escrow agent shall retain custody of said documents and said  
28 check until one of two events occur:

29           (a) Receiving written notice from the Lincoln Company  
30 that the approval of the Nebraska State Railway Commission re-  
31 quired in Paragraph 7 of this agreement has not been granted,  
32 and in such event said escrow agent shall return said documents  
33 to the respective Hallam Companies and said check to the Lincoln  
34 Company;  
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1 (b) Receiving written notice from the Lincoln Company  
2 that the construction of the new telephone plant and equipment  
3 by the Lincoln Company has been completed and all provisions  
4 of this agreement agreed to be performed by each of the Hallam  
5 Companies on or before said date of consummation have been per-  
6 formed, and in such event said escrow agent shall deliver said  
7 documents to the Lincoln Company and distribute the proceeds  
8 of said check to the Hallam Companies, or the owners and members  
9 thereof, in accordance with whatever directions it may receive  
10 from said Hallam Companies, or the owners and members thereof  
11 (it being expressly understood and agreed that the Lincoln  
12 Company is not agreeing to assume, and will not assume, any  
13 responsibility for the distribution of the proceeds of said  
14 check).

15 9. This Agreement shall be binding on and inure to the  
16 benefit of the successors and assigns of all corporate parties  
17 hereto and the heirs, administrators, executors and assigns of  
18 all non-corporate parties hereto.

19 IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have hereunto set their  
20 hands by their respective officers duly authorized as of the  
21 day and year first above mentioned.  
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23 FARMERS AND HALLAM TELEPHONE  
24 EXCHANGE, a corporation

25  
26 By: Homer Schwanzger  
27 Title: Pres.

28 Paul Blak  
29 Title: Secy

30 FARMERS TELEPHONE COMPANY OF  
31 CLATONIA, a corporation

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33 By: Charles G. Gammeter  
34 Title: Pres.

35 Lynn Galach  
Title: Treas.

-5- Russ Corsten  
Secy

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FARMERS TELEPHONE COMPANY OF HALLAM

By: Geo. W. Haas  
Title: Sec

Carl R. Johnson  
Title: President

STAR TELEPHONE COMPANY

By: Wm. Johnson  
Title: President

Homer Schwaminger  
Title: Secy

OLIVE BRANCH TELEPHONE COMPANY

By: Tom Elder  
Title: President

Emory O. Yarnall  
Title: Secretary

SALT CREEK TELEPHONE COMPANY

By: Earl Reddish  
Title: Pres

Ralph E. Prid  
Title: Secretary

HUDA CENTER TELEPHONE COMPANY

By: Lois Schwaminger  
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HALLAM TELEPHONE COMPANY

By: Stanley E. Kery  
Title: Pres  
Gene M. Jackson  
Title: Sec.

THE LINCOLN TELEPHONE AND  
TELEGRAPH COMPANY, a corporation

By: W. M. Sale  
Title: Vice President  
Houghton Furr  
Title: Secretary - Treasurer

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The above agreement read and the duties imposed therein upon the undersigned as escrow agent agreed-to on the 8 day of August, 1958.

THE HALLAM BANK

By: F. J. Rooster  
Title: President

INDEMNIFICATION AGREEMENT

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2           WHEREAS, under date of August \_\_\_\_\_, 1958, an Agreement  
3 was entered into by and between Farmers and Hallam Telephone  
4 Exchange, Farmers Telephone Company of Blatonia, Farmers  
5 Telephone Company of Hallam, Star Telephone Company, Olive  
6 Branch Telephone Company, Salt Creek Telephone Company, Suda  
7 Center Telephone Company and Hallam Telephone Company (herein-  
8 after called "the Hallam Companies") and The Lincoln Telephone  
9 and Telegraph Company (hereinafter called "the Lincoln Company"),  
10 whereby the Hallam Companies agree to sell all of their respective  
11 assets, excepting cash and accounts receivable, to the Lincoln  
12 Company (said Agreement being incorporated herein by this refer-  
13 ence hereto); and

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15           WHEREAS, as is set forth in said Agreement, all owners and  
16 members of the Hallam Companies executed consents and authoriza-  
17 tions to and of said sale and purchase with the exception of one  
18 member and owner of Suda Center Telephone Company and Farmers and  
19 Hallam Telephone Exchange (Raymond Gerdes) and two owners and  
20 members of Hallam Telephone Company and Farmers and Hallam Tele-  
21 phone Exchange (John Heller and John Schmalz); that the under-  
22 signed, as an owner and member of one or more of the Hallam  
23 Companies, has agreed to execute this Indemnification Agreement  
24 in order to induce the Lincoln Company to execute the Purchase  
25 and Sale Agreement above referred to and to carry out the purchase  
26 of assets covered by said Agreement.

27           NOW, THEREFORE, the undersigned hereby agrees to indemnify  
28 and save harmless The Lincoln Telephone and Telegraph Company from  
29 any and all loss, damage and liability sustained or to be sus-  
30 tained by it as a consequence of making and consummating its pur-  
31 chase of the above referred to assets of the Hallam Companies  
32 without consents and authorizations having been signed by said  
33 three above mentioned owners and members. It is expressly  
34 understood and agreed, however, that any legal fees incurred by  
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the Lincoln Company in the defense of any claim or suit instituted against it shall not be covered by this Indemnification Agreement.

Dated this \_\_\_\_\_ day of August, 1958.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Owner and Member of \_\_\_\_\_ and  
Farmers and Hallas Telephone Exchange

STATE OF NEBRASKA }  
COUNTY OF LANCASTER } ss.

On this \_\_\_\_\_ day of August, 1958 before me, a Notary Public in and for said county, personally appeared \_\_\_\_\_ to me known to be the identical person who executed the within document and acknowledged that he had read over same and understood fully its contents and purposes and that his execution thereof was his voluntary act and deed.

Witness my hand and Notarial Seal on the day and year next above mentioned.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Notary Public

My Commission expires:

THOMAS C. WOODS (1895-1958)  
WILLIAM I. AITKEN  
PHILIP M. AITKEN  
RICHARD W. SMITH  
J. TAYLOR GREER  
BERT L. OVERCASH  
RICHARD L. SPANGLER, JR.  
ALLEN L. OVERCASH

LAW OFFICES OF  
WOODS AITKEN AND AITKEN  
1241 N. STREET  
LINCOLN, NEBRASKA

TELEPHONE  
2-1011

September 15, 1959

Mr. Fred Block, Secretary  
Farmers and Hallam Telephone Exchange  
Hallam, Nebraska

Dear Fred:

On the way back to Lincoln in the car yesterday, Ken Lawson and I went over the list of subscribers of the various Hallam companies that we discussed with you yesterday. You will recall that in going over such list, it appeared that the payment that the Lincoln Telephone Company had made to the Hallam Bank, as escrow agent, was short an amount equivalent to one rural subscriber. Our further examination of the list indicated that in fact the payment was not short and that the payment discrepancy arose from the addition of Norman Burger as a subscriber of the Farmers Telephone Company of Clatonia. According to my notes, Mr. Burger was a tenant on a farm owned by John Vanier and had not had a phone on the farm where he was a tenant for six or seven years. However, Mr. Burger was placed on the list because he had signed a consent form and had indicated thereon that he wished to get Lincoln service. The list which Ken Lawson gave you a copy of yesterday was originally prepared for the purpose of making clear to the personnel on Mr. Lawson's staff as to which persons in the Hallam area were to be contacted with respect to signing agreements for the new Lincoln service.

To avoid any further confusion or uncertainty in the matter we have prepared, and furnish to you herewith, an original and two copies of the lists of subscribers which were used in obtaining the amount of \$6,550 payment made to the Hallam Bank, which is constituted of 58 rural subscribers and 73 town subscribers.

If you have any further questions about the matter, I would appreciate your contacting me.

Yours very truly,

*Taylor Greer*

JTG:gbm  
cc: K. L. Lawson  
Atty. Win Elmen

# Articles of Incorporation.

I  
We the undersigned citizens of Lancaster and Gage Counties, of the state of Nebraska, together with others, hereby associate ourselves as a corporation under the laws of the state of Nebraska.

II  
The name of this Corporation shall be "Farmers and Hallam Telephone Exchange."

III  
The principal place of business of this corporation shall be Hallam, Lancaster County, state of Nebraska.

IV  
The object of this corporation shall be, the purchase, construction, maintenance and operation of an independent telephone system of exchange at Hallam, Lancaster County, state of Nebraska, and to maintain telephone connection with any other telephone system owned or operated by other corporations or persons; also to purchase, acquire by gift or otherwise, hold real estate, personal property, franchises and rights for the conducting of the business of the corporation and to do all other acts necessary for the establishing and operating of said business.

V  
This corporation shall commence its existence May 1, 1911, and shall continue one hundred years thereafter, if not voluntarily dissolved.

VI  
The highest amount of indebtedness or liability to which this corporation shall at any time subject itself shall not exceed two-thirds of its paid in Capital Stock.

VII  
The authorized Capital Stock of this Corporation shall be Three Thousand Dollars (\$3,000.00) of which Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00) shall be subscribed and paid in by the time this corporation shall begin business; said stock shall be divided into shares of Five Dollars (\$5.00) each and be transferable on the books of said corporation by its secretary.

VIII  
The affairs of this corporation shall be conducted by a board of not less than seven, and not more than twenty-one directors elected annually by the stockholders. The board of directors shall elect annually from their own number, a president, a vice-president, a secretary and a treasurer. The directors and officers shall hold their offices until their successors are elected and qualified. Until their successors are elected, the following named persons shall constitute the officers: Charles F. Burk, president; Andrew Walker, vice-president; Chris Keller, secretary; G. H. Nannen, treasurer.

IX  
The stockholders shall have their own time and place to elect the directors. The annual meeting of the directors shall be on the first Saturday in February of each year.

X  
The directors may adopt such by-laws for the governing of the business of this corporation as they may deem necessary.

CHARLES F. BURK, President  
CHRIS KELLER, Secretary  
ANDREW WALKER, Vice Pres.  
G. H. NANNEN, Treasurer

Subscribed to before me this 10th day of March, 1911.  
F. T. Carsten, Notary Public.

Second  
Saturday

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# Articles of Incorporation

I  
We the undersigned citizens  
of Lancaster and Gage Counties  
of the state of Nebraska  
together with others, associate  
ourselves to be as a corporation  
under the laws of the state  
of Nebraska.

II  
The name of this corporation  
shall be ~~of~~ Farmers and Hallam  
Telephone Exchange

III  
The principal place of business  
shall be Hallam Lancaster Co.  
State of Nebraska

IV  
The object of this corporation  
shall be, the purchase,  
construction, maintenance  
and operation of an independent  
telephone system of exchange  
at Hallam Lancaster County  
state of Nebraska, and to  
maintain telephone connection  
with other telephone systems

owned or operated by other corporations or persons; also to purchase acquire by gift or otherwise and hold real estate, personal property, franchise and right for the conducting of the business of the corporation and to do all other acts necessary for the establishing and operating of said business

V

This corporation shall begin its existence May the first 1911 and continue one hundred years thereafter if not sooner voluntarily dissolved

VI

The highest amount of indebtedness or liability to which this corporation shall at any time subject itself shall not exceed two thirds of its paid in capital stock

## VII

The authorized capital stock of this corporation shall be three thousand dollars (3000.00) of which five hundred dollars (500.00) shall be subscribed and paid in by the time this corporation shall begin business. said stock shall be divided into shares of five dollars (\$5.00) each and be transferable on the books of the corporation by the secretary.

## VIII

The affairs of this corporation shall be conducted by a board of not less than seven nor more than twenty one directors elected annually by the stockholders. The board of directors shall elect annually from their own number a president, a vice president, a secretary,

and a treasurer. The directors and officers shall hold their offices until their successors are elected. The following named persons and qualified until their successors are elected the following named persons shall constitute the officers; Charles J. Burk president; Andrew Walker vice president, C. Keller secretary, and G. H. Manner Treasurer.

## IX

The stockholders shall have their own time and place to elect the directors. The annual meeting of the directors shall be on the first Saturday in February of each year. Second Sat in Jan

## X

The directors may adopt such by-laws for the governing of the business as of the corporation as they may deem necessary.



# By-Laws of

Farmers & Hallam Telephone Exchange

## Sec I

The Farmers & Hallam Telephone Exchange shall consist of a representation from all companies mentioned in article six of our constitution

## Sec II

The board of directors at their annual meeting shall elect from their number a president a vice president Secretary and treasurer

## Sec III

The duties of the president are that he shall preside over all meetings and call all regular and special meetings  
and do Resident agent

## Sec IV

The vice president is to act in absence of president with full power as president

## Sec V

The secretary shall keep record of all meetings in a book kept for that purpose, and shall

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draw orders on treasurer when so ordered by the president

## Sec VI

The treasurer shall collect the dues from the various companies for the maintenance of the exchange and to pay all orders drawn on him by the secretary and countersigned by the president. He shall have charge of all funds and moneys belonging to the company, make report at the annual meetings or any other time when requested to do so by the proper authority. He shall keep a book account in a book kept for that purpose

## Sec VII

If a renter moves from his place and can not sell his interest to his successor at the end of the first year the company shall pay back to him all the money that he paid to this central

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except one dollar (\$1.00) at the end of the second year all but two dollars (\$2.00) and so on. The above does not include the switch fees.

### Sec VIII

Switch fees shall be twenty five cents (25¢) per phone per month and all toll calls shall be charged to the phone where called from. As reason for

### Sec IX maintenance

All Lines on the switch board at present time will be connected on a pro rata basis, and any future lines wishing lines wishing connection with the Hallam exchange must pay a pro rata share with all other members. And any member wishing direct connection to the Switch-board must stand all expense for drop and lightning-arrestor to connect the same

## By-Laws continued

## Sec X

The order of business of all meetings of the board of directors shall be as follows

- 1 calling the roll,
- 2 Reading & approving of all unapproved minutes,
- 3 Reports of committees,
- 4 Reports of officers,
- 5 Unfinished business,
- 6 New business,
- 7 Election of officers,
- 8 Adjournment.

## Sec XI

If any office becomes vacant on any time during the year the board of directors shall fill the same by appointment for the unexpired term of said office.

## Sec XII

These by-laws may be amended at any regular or special meeting by a two third vote of all the board.

*minutes*

# Constitution

## of Farmers & Hallam Telephone Exchange

### Article I

The name of the company shall be Farmers and Hallam Telephone Exchange.

### Art. II

*(the business)*  
The principle place of transacting shall be at Hallam Nebraska

### Art. III

The general nature of the business to be transacted by this company shall be the constructing, building, buying, leasing, owning, conducting, and operating of independent telephone exchange of Hallam Nebraska and the doing of all other things necessary for the proper conduct of the legitimate business of the said company.

## Constitution continued

## Art IV

The time of the commencement of this company shall be on the 18th day of February 1911.

## Art V

The annual meeting of the board of directors of this company shall be held at the chief place of business of the company in Hallam Neb on the 1st Saturday<sup>in</sup> February of each and every year during the existence of this company. Changed to Jan 2nd Sat

## Art VI

The affairs of this company shall be conducted by a board of directors of not less than one or more than three from each company namely, Hallam Telephone Co, Star Telephone Co, Olive Branch Telephone Co

## Constitution continued

Buda Center Telephone Co  
 Farmers Telephone Company  
 of Hallam Farmers Telephone  
 Company of Clatonia  
 Salt Creek Telephone Company  
 (Line nine) and shall hold  
 office for one year or  
 untill their successors are <sup>duly</sup>  
 elected and qualified ~~and~~  
 a majority of the directors  
 elected shall constitute  
 a quorum

## Art VII

The officers of this company  
 shall be a president vice  
 president secretary and  
 treasurer to be elected by  
 the board of directors from  
 their number at the annual  
 meeting of the company  
 and shall hold their office  
 for the period of one year and  
 untill their successors are  
 duly elected and qualified,  
 The said officers of this  
 company shall have power

## Constitution continued

To employ all necessary help and labor for preparing and conducting generally the business of the company

## Art VIII

These Articles may be amended at any meeting of the board of directors of this company by a two-thirds vote of all the board



Hallam Neb. Jan 28, 1911,

Delegates of the different Telephone Companies in and around Hallam met at the above named date called to order by J. H. Mannan Ed Lauterbach was elected Chairman and J. H. Mannan Secretary

First; It was agreed upon by motion to see if all the companies represented through delegates were willing to join together for the purpose of erecting a Telephone exchange in the town of Hallam. The said motion carried

Second; Moved and Seconded That, The Companies represented accept Proposition No 1 offered by the Hallam Co. The said motion carried

Third; Agreed by motion that the Secretary shall call the roll of all the delegates present They responded as follows;

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Hallam No 1	G H Mannan	1
	E C Chaplow	
	J Pranger	1
Farmers No 2	Ed. Lauterbach	1
	A L Arthelmont	
	C Kelfer	1
Star No 3	J Carther	
	J Rolfs	1
	C Burk	1
Farmers Clotomg	No 4 5 11	
	J H Huffstead	1
	A Walker	1
	J W Buda	
	No 7	
	J Busch	1
	J Rietfers	1
	J Branken	
	No 8	
	C Severin	1
	J Rippen	1
	C Cashen	
	No 9	
	P Glac	
	H Weilage	1
	J C Wergu	1

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Fourth

Agreed by motion that each  
Company should be represented  
by three delegates until their  
successors are elected.

Fifth Agreed by motion that  
the different delegates should  
select one man from each  
company to act as a committee  
for the purpose of buying  
leasing or erecting an office  
building also to see what  
could be done in regard to  
buying a switch board.

The following named parties were  
appointed, G. H. Mannen, John  
Branken, Ed Lauterbach, A. Walker,  
H. H. Weilage, C. Burk & Casher.

Sixth Agreed by motion to meet  
again Feb 11, 2:00 P. M.

Adjourned.

G. H. Mannen  
Secretary

Hallam Neb Feb 11, 1911

Delegates of the different Telephone companies in and <sup>around</sup> Hallam met at the above date, called to order by Ed Lanterbach, who was then elected chairman and G H Stannan Secretary.

First; Agreed by motion that a book be purchased for the secretary in which to keep minutes of meetings and such other accounts as may be necessary.

Second; Agreed by motion that we organize as a Switch board company.

Third; Agreed by motion to proceed and elect officers on motion it was also agreed to vote by ballot. The party who received the highest number of votes should be president the second highest vice president C. Burk was elected president, a second ballot was taken for vice president as there was a tie between A. Walker and Ed Lanterbach on said second ballot A. Walker

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was elected vice president  
 For secretary there was also  
 a second ballot taken there  
 was a tie in the first one between  
 A. L. Athelm and C. Keller on  
 said second ballot the latter  
 was elected secretary G. H. Mannan  
 was elected treasurer by acclamation

Fourth:— Agreed on motion that  
 Mr Hawes who represents the  
 Bell Company and Mr Harris  
 representing the Western Electric  
 Company each present his  
 cause to the meeting. The  
 former agreed to connect us  
 with the Bell company. The  
 latter showed some parts of  
 the switch board for which  
 he is agent

Fifth:— Agreed by motion that  
 the chairman appoint a  
 committee of seven one from  
 each company to draw up  
 a constitution and by laws  
 also a name. The following  
 named parties were appointed

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A. Walker, J. Wergin, C. Cashen,  
 G. H. Mannin, A. L. Barthelm, C. Burk  
 and J. Brunken, (building for off  
 Sixth The committee on site,  
 reported that Mrs Clansen  
 would sell the building  
 in which the office is located  
 now for \$500.00 It was then  
 moved and seconded to accept  
 the above named offer of  
 Mrs Clansen, It was also moved  
 and agreed upon that said  
 vote should be taken by  
 rising, that is to stand up,  
 Seventh; — Agreed by motion  
 that we accept the offer of  
 Mr Harris in regard to Switch  
 Board with 30 lines and  
 lightning protector,  
 Eighth Agreed by motion to  
 meet again next Saturday  
 Feb 18 at 1 P M sharp.  
 Adjourned

G. H. Mannin  
 Secretary

Hallam Neb Feb 18, 1911

Farmer's and Hallam Telephone  
Company Exchange met at  
the above date, called to  
order by the president.  
The proposed Constitution  
and by laws were read by  
the president.

Agreed by motion that the  
president and secretary  
hold office temporary.

Article one of the said  
proposed constitution was read  
by the president and was  
adopted.

Article 2 was read and adopted

Article 3 was read and adopted

Article 4 was read and adopted

Article 5 was read and adopted

Article 6 was read and adopted

Article 7 was read and adopted

Article 8 was read and adopted

Section 1 of By laws was read  
and adopted

Section 2 was read and adopted

Sec 2 was read and adopted

Sec 3 was read and adopted

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Sec 4 was read and adopted  
 Sec 5 was read and adopted  
 Sec 6 was read and adopted  
 There were two sections of  
 the said No 6. The Secretary  
 was ordered to unite the  
 meaning of the two into one  
 Section 7 was read and adopted  
 Sec 8 was read and adopted  
 Sec 9 was ~~adopted~~ adopted  
 Sec 7a was read and adopted  
 Sec 8a was read and adopted  
 Agreed by motion that this  
 Organization be made be made  
 permanent and the temporary  
 officers be elected permanent  
 Minutes of the two previous  
 meetings were read and  
 approved  
 Agreed by motion that the  
 Committee on Constitution  
 and by laws be discharged  
 their report being accepted  
 A motion was made and  
 seconded to reconsider the  
 deal in regard to the office



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Building said motion was lost. Agreed by motion that this organization shall be incorporated. Agreed by motion that the Secretary be appointed a committee to see about incorporating. Agreed by motion that the president shall also be appointed committee on incorporation. Agreed on motion that the secretary of each company report to the secretary of the Farmers and Hallam exchange how many phone holders were willing to pay this levy with ten days from date of. Agreed by motion that the said office building be not be remodelled at the present time. Motion made and carried that we buy the switchboard of the Western Electric Company.

Minutes Feb 18, 1911,  
by motion

Agreed, that this company sign up no contract with any long distance company. Agreed by motion that we make a levy of five dollars (\$5.00) on each phone to be paid in ten days. Agreed by motion that a renter's clause be put in the by laws as follows

If a renter moves from his place, and can not sell his interest to his successor The company will return all the money to him which he paid to this central (except switch fees) at the end of one year all but one dollar \$1.00, at the end of two years all but two dollars and so forth.

Adjourned

C Keller  
Secretary

Minutes March 6, 1911

Farmers Telephone Co  
met. Called to order by  
the president. Minutes of  
previous meeting were read  
and approved. The Secretary  
reported what he has done  
in regard to incorporating  
said report was accepted.

The secretary then read the  
proposed Articles of incorpor-  
ation, in motion said Article  
were adopted.

The different companies then  
reported as to how many  
phone holders were willing  
to go into the new central.  
They reported as follows:

Hallam	36
Star	3
Olive Branch	13
Buda Center	22
Farmers Hollan	1
Farmers Clatonia	20
Salt Creek	9
Total	104

Minutes March 6, 1911

Agreed by motion that the  
above named phone holder  
shall pay in their money  
that is their levy of five  
dollars on or before  
March the 15 1911 After  
some discussion on the  
above named agreements  
and on other subjects  
the meeting adjourned

C. Keller

February 8, 1912

The Annual meeting of the Directors of Farmers' Hallam Telephone Exchange met at the above date, it being a stormy day and the directors were not all present. Called to order by the president. Minutes of previous meeting were read by the Secretary and approved by the meeting. Committee on Incorporation made report. Said report accepted and committee discharged. The Treasurer reported Total income \$1064.96, Total Expence \$1047.12 Balance \$1784 Report was accepted. The meeting then proceeded to the election of officers. W. Busch was elected President, C. Keller Vice President, E. Chapetow Secretary and A. Walker Treasurer. Over

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Agreed by motion that the Hallam Co be allowed to put in a cut off at the Switch Board provided it does not interfere with the country lines. The Central operator shall be allowed to have five hallow days. The said hallow days shall be selected by the officers. The operators shall give one hour service in each of the said hallow days.

Adjourned

C. Keller

## Meeting

Hallam Apr 27 '17

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The directors of the Farmers and Hallam Switch board company met at the Hallam Tel all on account of a call from the officers to discuss subjects brought up.

The meeting was called to order by the President Mrs Busch. The minutes of the Annual meeting were read and approved. The minutes of the officers meeting were read and business of the meeting was stated by the President.

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The code system of telephoning was discussed and it was moved and seconded that code be accepted as explained by the President. The motion carried unanimously.

It was then moved and seconded that a committee be appointed to see the business over and find out what they would do on advertising as have the code printed as they saw fit. The motion carried. F. J. Corstun, Lawrence Sherwood and Ed Lauterbach were appointed on the above named committee.

It was moved and seconded that the Buda Central Co take care of the Coatl and hire as far as their poles run and charge expense of the same to the Telephone Exchange. The motion carried. In motion it was agreed that a phone should be purchased for the purpose of testing lines, the phone to be kept at the office when not in use. The motion was seconded and carried.

By motion, it was agreed that the Telephone Exchange carry no insurance on their property. Seconded and carried.

It was moved and seconded that those who ~~had~~ were in arrears on assessments be given 15 days to pay the same and if they refused to pay they would be refused switching at the Central Office.

It was agreed by motion to adjourn. Motion seconded and carried.



Hallam Neb. Feb 1 1913.  
 Meeting of Farmers and Hallam Telephone  
 directors was called to order by the President  
 Minutes of previous meeting were read  
 and approved

Treasurer's report read showing a Balance  
 of Cash 101.99 Bank dues 8.25 Total  
 Assets 110.24

It was moved and seconded that  
 Treasurer's report be accepted as read  
 Carried

The code committee reported nothing  
 done toward completing same and  
 by motion seconded and carried the  
 committee was discharged

It was moved and seconded that  
 each line report their delegates  
 Carried

Hallam Tel. Co. { J. Kabel  
 J. Potthoff  
 P. G. Buller

Farmers of Hallam { Ed Faustuback  
 C. Keller  
 A. L. Gathelin

Star { Aug Albers  
 Oscar Hoffman  
 James Coulter

Fourms of Clatsop	{	Rw. Krue
		F. Hoopstead
		A. Walker
Buds Center	{	Wm. Ingham
		Henry Meyer
		John Ruffus Ruffen
Oliver Branch	{	John Busch
		J. Busch
		John Ruffen
Salt Creek	{	Tenny Busch
		John Weislinger
		Peter Gloe

It was moved and seconded that an informal ballot be cast the 3 highest being nominees for president and the one receiving the most votes be president and the next highest be Vice President - carried

The organization then proceeded to elect their officers for the year

John Rippen

Nominations for president and Vice P.		
John Rutfors		2
Ed. Lautenbach		2
C. Keller		7
John Rippen		4
John Zweck		1
Thyffstrad		1
Rev. Knuse		1

Election of Pres. + Vice		
Rutfors		6 Elected Vice
Lautenbach		2
Keller		7 " Pres.
Rippen		5

and first be

Nominations for Sec.		
Chapelaw		7
Cashin		1
Lautenbach		2
Rippen		5
Rev. Knuse		5
Kabel		2
Rutfors		1
Elected		
Rippen		10 Elected
Knuse		8
Lautenbach		1
Kabel		1

Annuitants Treasurers.

Johy Busch	1	1
Korbel	HHH	5
Kruse	II	2
Walter	HHH II	7
Lauterbach	II	2
Potthoff	II	2
Chapelow	I	1

Elected

Korbel	HHH	5	
Kruse	II	2	
Walter	HHH II	7	Elected
Lauterbach	II	2	
Potthoff	IIII	4	

The old officers meeting was adjourned  
 Eld Chapelow Sec.

Hallam Neb. Febr 1 1913  
 Meeting was called to order again  
 by the President of the Farmers  
 and Hallam Telephone Exchange

It was Moved and Second that we  
 thank our old Board by rising  
 Carried

It was Moved and Second that the bell  
 connecting circuit be tabled Carried

It was further moved and Second that this  
 meeting recommends Mr. Joe Nammur to  
 look after the switch board and  
 keep in repair and do what he  
 see fit Motion Carried

Adjourned

Hallam Neb. Aug 7 1913.  
 The Directors of the Farmers and  
 Hallam Telephone Exchange met  
 at C. C. Chaplow's. Meeting was called  
 to order by the President for the  
 purpose of making out applications  
 for new central line having decided  
 to have two central girls instead of  
 one each one working not more than nine

hours a day Adjourned

Hallowell Neb. Aug 14 1913  
 Meeting was called to order by  
 the President of the Farmers and  
 Hallowell Telephone Exchange.  
 Applications were read and it was  
 decided to except that of  
 Marie Byler and Gertrude  
 Engelhart at twenty two and a  
 half a month each  
 it was decided that the long  
 month have to increase to  
 thirty five <sup>30</sup> a month for phone  
 beginning Feb 1914 The  
 President was instructed to  
 notify each company of the above.

Adjourned

John Piffen  
 Secy

Ballam Neb. Feb. 7<sup>th</sup> 1914

The annual meeting of the Farmers of Ballam Telephone Exchange was called to order by the President.

Minutes of the last annual meeting was read and approved.

The treasurer's report was read and accepted.

Following is the report of money received and paid out during the year 1913

Total amt. received	575.49
" " Paid out	493.89
Bal. on hand	81.60

Delegates at meeting

Ballam Telephone Co

{ Joe Korbel  
Chas. Severine  
Will Burk

Farmers of Ballam

{ G. Keller  
A. L. Cathelm  
E. Lauderbach

Star Tel.	{ Aug. Albers Oscar Hoffman James Gauthier & D. Sherwood
Farmers of Latonia	{ F. N. Hoffstaed A. Walker Fred Kruse
Buda Center	{ Will Mohlman Henry Meyer G. Schwaninger
Olive Branch	{ John Reatford John Brunken John Busch
Salt Creek	{ John Grottinger Henry Van Busch Peter Gloc. (with horse)

It was moved and seconded that we suspend the rules and elect the officers by acclamation, carried

The following officers were elected  
 G. Keller Presidents  
 Char Severin Vice Pres



F. N. Hoffstaedt Sec'y  
 Wm Burk Pres.

It was moved and seconded that the bill of Benny Boller for \$4<sup>00</sup> be allowed and also the bill of Geo. Kammern for \$12<sup>75</sup> be allowed, carried.

Motion was made and carried that we make a levy of 35c per phone per month.

Moved and seconded that Mr. Geo. Kammern be employed to take care of the switch board the ensuing year, carried.

Moved and seconded that the board shall have full power to instruct Mr. Kammern to make such repairs as they think is necessary, carried.

Motion made and carried that we adjourn.

Chairman  
 F. N. Hoffstaedt, Sec'y  
 C. Keller  
 President

Hallam Neb. March 7<sup>th</sup> 1914

Officers of the Farmers & Hallam  
Telephone Exchange met at the office  
of Mrs Burk.

Present L. Keller F. N. Hoffmann  
Chas. Savorne and Mrs Burk.

The resignation of Miss Bolter was  
read and accepted to take effect on  
April 1<sup>st</sup> 1914

It was mutually agreed to equip  
the exchange office with the following  
furniture, 1 office chair, 2 common  
chairs, 1 small office table, 1 lamp  
and window shades, also 1 screen  
door.

Adjourned

F. N. Hoffmann Secy

Hallam Feb. Feb 6<sup>th</sup> 1915-

The annual meeting of the  
Farmers of Hallam Telephone Exchange  
met at Hallam Feb. on the above date.  
The meeting was called to order by  
the President,

Minutes of the last annual meeting  
was read and approved,

The Treas. report was read and  
accepted.

Following is the report of all money  
received and paid out during the  
year 1914.

Bal on hand Feb. 7 <sup>th</sup> 1914	81.60
Amts received	692.55
Total amts	\$ 774.15
Bal on hand Feb. 6 <sup>th</sup> 1915	19.60

The several Telephone Lines  
were represented as follows,

Hallam Tel. Co by { Joe Korbal  
                                  { Char. Severin  
                                  { Wm Brink

Farmers of Hallam { Ed Linderbach  
                                  { G. Keller  
                                  { A. L. Bethel

Star Tel. Co. by { August Albert  
Oscar Hoffman  
Jan Banther

Farmers of Clutonia by { Fred Kruse  
A. Walker  
F. Hoffstadt

Buda Center by { John B. Rippen  
Ad. Heidecker  
M. Gerder

Olive Branch by { John v Busch  
John Reifford  
John Brunken

Salt Creek { John Gestlinger  
Henry v Busch

It was moved and seconded  
that we suspend the rules and elect  
the officers by acclamation, carried

The following officers were elected

C. Keller President

Char Severin Vice Presidents

A. K. Hoffstadt Secy

Joe Korbal Treas.

Moved and seconded that we  
leave the employing of a person  
to take care of the switch board be

left to the board, carried.

Moved and seconded that we make  
a levy of 35 cents per phone per  
month to ensuing year, carried.

Motion made and carried that  
we adjourn,

L Keller Pres.

Pres.

J.W. Hoffland

Secy.

Hallam Neb. Feb. 5<sup>th</sup> 1916

The annual meeting of the Farmers and Hallam Telephone Exchange met in the Town Hall at Hallam Neb. on the above date

The meeting was called to order by the President, G. Keller

The minutes of the last annual meeting was read and approved

The Treas. report was read and accepted

Following is the report of all money received and paid out during the year 1915

Bal on hand Feb. 6 <sup>th</sup> 1915	19.60
Total amts received	776.90
Total	796.50
Total amts paid out	675.26
Bal on hand Feb. 5. 1916	121.24

The several Telephone lines were represented by the following persons.

Farmers of Hallam { Ed Gauderbach  
G. Keller  
A. L. Ahelun

Olive Branch	{ Dick Boat John Burch Dick Mahlman
Farmers of California	{ C. F. Krueger F. N. Hoffstedt A. Walther
Buda Bentel Tel. Co.	{ Adolph Heidecker M. Gerder John Ripper
Salt Lake Tel. Co.	{ John Geislinger Henry Von Borch Peter Lee
Star Tel. Co.	{ C. Altman A. Albert D. W. Sherwood
Hallam Tel. Co.	{ F. L. Severin Wm Burch for Korbel

The following officers were elected  
for the ensuing year

C. Keller                      Presidents  
Char. Severin                Vice Presidents

P. A. Hoffstedt  
 Joe Korbel.

Secy.  
 Treas.

Motion made and seconded that we make a levy of 35c per plan, carried

Motion made and carried that a member of the company be elected to get a permit from the R. I. R. R. Co. to put a hollow pipe under the R. R. track to run a cable through for the different Telephone lines.

On motion Mr. E. Gauderbach was elected.

Motion made and seconded that the officers make a set of rules to govern the work board service, carried

Motion made to adjourn, carried

P. A. Hoffstedt Secy.



Hallam Neb. Febr 3<sup>rd</sup> 1917

The annual meeting of the Farmers and Hallam Telephone Exchange met in the German Hall at Hallam on the above date.

The meeting was called to order by Mr. C. Keller the Pres. and then by request was presided over by F. L. Severin.

The minutes of the last annual meeting were read and approved.

The Treasurers report was read and accepted.

Following is the report of all money received and paid out during the year 1916.

Balance on hand Febr 5 <sup>th</sup> 1916	\$121.24
Total amount received	706.60
Total	<u>\$827.84</u>
Total amount paid out	<u>683.07</u>
Balance on hand Febr. 3 <sup>rd</sup> 1917	\$144.77

The several Telephone lines were represented by the following persons.

Farmers of Hallam  
 Will Leonard  
 A. L. Axthelm  
 Ed. Lauterbach

Nelson Walker }  
 Paul Miller } Farmers of Clatonia  
 Fred James }

John Rippen }  
 Adolph Heidecker } Buda Center Tel.  
 Jovin Lauterbach } Co.

Henry Busch }  
 John Geisinger } Salt Creek Tel.  
 Will Weilage } Co.

Lick Altman }  
 H. W. Sherwood } Star Telephone  
 Jacob Altman } Co.

Joe Korbel }  
 Chas Severin } Hallam Tel. Co.  
 Wm Burk }

Fred Ritzford }  
 Wm Messman } Blue Branch  
 Lick Brunken } Tel. Co.

A. Motion was made and Sec. that we suspend the rules and elect the officers by acclamation. Carried.

The following officers were elected.

F. L. Severin	Pres.
Ed. Lanterbach	Vice Pres.
Nelson Walker	Sec.
Joe Korbel	Treas.

Motion made and Sec. that we make a levy of .35¢ per phone for the coming year. Carried  
 Nov. 10 Sec. to adjourn.

Nelson Walker Sec.

Hallam Neb June 2<sup>nd</sup> 1917

The special meeting of the Farmers and Hallam Telephone Exchange was called to order by the president on above date

The roll was called all members being present except Wm Leonhardt A. L. Axthelm and H. A. Altman.

The communication from Mr B. G. Miller regarding the telephone line between Hallam and Martell was then read.

A motion was made and sec. that we retain the line half way to Martell. Carried.

Mov. and Sec. that the Hallam Exchange pay their pro ratio share toward the underground crossing toward Martell. Carried.

It was moved and seconded, that we buy the line from Miller at the rate of 5<sup>cts</sup> per lb. of wire if Martell meets us half way. Carried.

Mov & Sec. to adjourn.

Nelson Walker Sec

Hallam Nbr. Febr 27<sup>th</sup> 1904

The annual meeting of the Farmers and Hallam Telephone Exchange was called to order by the President on above date.

The several Telephone lines were represented as follows.

Chas. Severin	}	Hallam Tel. Co.
Wm Burk		
Joe Korbek		

Ed Lauterbach	}	Farmers of Hallam
A. L. Axthelm		
Wm Leonhardt		

F. N. Hoffstaedt	}	Farmers of C. Stone
Paul Miller		
H. A. Walker		

John Rippen	}	Buda Center Tel. Co.
Adolph Hildecker		
Irvin Lauterbach		

John Genslinger	}	Salt Creek Tel. Co.
Henry Busch		

W. W. Sherwood }  
 Jacob Altman } Star Tel. Co.  
 Jas. Cauthers }

John Brunkin }  
 Dick Braaf } Olive Branch Tel. Co.  
 Ed. Nannen }

Minutes of the last annual  
 meeting and of the special  
 meeting held in June were  
 then read and approved.

The treasurer made the following report.

Balance on hand Febr 3 <sup>rd</sup> 1917	\$121.24
Amount received during year	809.43
	<u>\$930.67</u>
Total expenses	746.41
Balance on hand.	<u>\$184.26</u>

Mov. & Sec that the report of  
 the treasurer be accepted. Carried

The election of officers  
 then took place.

Febr 2<sup>nd</sup> 1918

A motion was made and seconded that the rules be suspended and the officers be elected by acclamation. Carried.

The following were then chosen:

Chas. Severin. Pres.  
 Ed. Lauterbach. Vice Pres.  
 N. A. Walker. Sec.  
 W. L. Cuthbert. Treas.

It was moved and seconded that the levy for the coming year be placed at 35 cts a phone per month. Carried.

Mov. & Sec. that switching service be given two (2) hours on Sundays and holidays. Carried.

It was moved and seconded that a total of 5 holidays be given during the year. Carried.  
 Mov. & Sec. that the salary of the operators be raised \$5. per month. Carried.

Mov. & Sec. to adjourn. Carried.

Chas. Severin. Pres.  
 N. A. Walker Sec.

Hallam, Neb.

June 7<sup>th</sup> 1918

The board meeting of the Hallam Switchboard met at Hallam on the above date.

The minutes of the special June meeting of 1917 were read.

It was agreed that B. G. Miller be requested to run his Kramer line to the switchboard and connect to a drop.

It was further agreed that the Sec. issue orders countersigned by the Pres. for all labor and bills against the Switchboard Co.

Mov. & Sec. to adjourn.

Ed. Lauterbach - Chairman  
N. A. Walker Sec.



Hallam, Neb. Feb. 1<sup>st</sup> 1919.

Meeting of Farmers & Hallam Tel. Exchange was called to order by C. F. Severn, President. In absence of Sec. Wm Burk was elected temporary Secretary.

Delegates not all being present we proceeded to report of treasurer same being receipt \$911.63.

Expenses \$882.42 leaving a balance on hand of \$29.21

Number of phones on Feb. 1<sup>st</sup> 168. Minutes of last annual meeting were then read and approved.

Moved and Sec. that the officers of the company hold office until meeting adjourned. Lost.

Election of officers.

President.	Dr. Spradling.
Vice Pres.	Wm Burk.
Secretary	John Leonhardt.
Treasurer	John Rippen.

The following business was transacted by newly elected officers Motion by Irvin Lauterbach and seconded by Eugene Schwaminger that we have continued service  
Carried.

Moved and seconded that  
Farmers & Hallam Switch Board  
Co. Officers investigate the  
advisability of continued service.  
Delegates from the different  
lines which took part in meeting  
were as follows.

Dr. Spradling. {  
Joe. Korbel. { Hallam Tel.  
Wm Burk. }

John Leonhardt. {  
Walter Schwaminger { Farmers of Hallam

John Sagehorn {  
N. A. Walker { Farmers of Blatonia

Irvin Lauterbach {  
Eugene Schwaminger { Buda Center

Wm Mahbrian {  
Chas. Smith { Olive Branch  
John Busch }

Adjourned.

Hallam, Neb. Feb. 3, 1919

The Official Board of the Farmers and Hallam Tel. Ex. met at the office of Wm Burk for the purpose of investigating and planning for the necessary improvements for continued service.

It was unanimously agreed upon that we draft Joe Norbel as the Switch Board Manager for the year 1919.

We decided to recommend to delegates of the different lines an addition of 8 ft. to the south of Tel. Ex. Building making Bldg. 20x20. Board also decided that Switch fees should be increased to 50 cts. per phone until further notice.

adjourned.

Hallam, Neb. Feb. 15, 1919.

A special meeting of the Farmers and Hallam Telephone Exchange was called to order by the President Mr. Spradling on the above date for the purpose of discussing the continued service proposition.

Moved and seconded that an addition of 8 ft. be added to the south of present Tel. Ex. Building and other repairs which may be deemed necessary.

Carried. Moved and Sec. that future Tel. Operators make bids for that place and lowest bidder be given position. Board of Officers to reserve the right to reject any and all bids. Carried.

Moved and Sec. that regular office hours of the Ex. shall be from 6 o'clock to 10 o'clock from April 1 till Oct. 1<sup>st</sup> balance of year from 7 till 9 o'clock Carried.

Moved and Sec. that a levy of \$3<sup>00</sup> be made per membership of the Ex. Carried.

Moved and Sec that the above named levy be paid in by April 1, 1919. Carried.

Moved and Sec. to adjourn. Carried.

Hallam, Neb. March 1, 1919

The Board of Officers of the Farmers & Hallam Telephone Exchange met at the office of Wm Burk for the purpose of selecting a plan of advertising for a chief telephone operator and such other arrangements necessary for the construction of the proposed addition to the present Telephone Exchange Bldg.

It was decided to advertise for bids in the Lancaster County Citizen and Lincoln Daily Star.

The Board of Officers also agreed to see about a carpenter and building material at once and that Treasurer of company be authorized to direct the work.

Adjourned.

Hallam, Neb. March 2

The officers of Farmers & Hallam Telephone Exchange met at the office of ~~Wm~~ Burk's elevator for the purpose of selecting a chief operator for the Exchange from bids received in answer to our ad in the Lincoln Daily Star and Lancaster County Citizen.

The following bids were received and carefully considered by Ex Board.

Miss Hazel Shuck. Franklin, Neb. \$85.00  
 Misses Nora<sup>2nd</sup> & Susie Tally Firth, Neb. \$75.00  
 Mr. Andrew Ewing Hallam, Neb. \$75.00  
 Miss Jessie Burk Hallam, Neb. \$70.00

As Miss Jessie Burk of Hallam, Neb. made the lowest bid it was decided to hire Miss Burk as Exchange operator.

Board also agreed that in case Miss Burk should not serve Mr. Andrew Ewing should be given next chance.

adjourned.

Hallam Neb Feb 7 1920

The annual meeting of the Farmers and  
Hallam T. Co. Ex. was called to order by the  
Sec.

As the Pres. and vice President were absent  
Mr. Fred Carsten was elected temporary  
Chairman.

The minutes of the last annual and  
special meeting were then read and approved.  
The treasurer reported a total income of  
\$1849.01 and total expense 1748.32 and  
a balance on hand \$100.69.

move and sec that we proceed to take  
an informal ballot for the purpose of  
selecting candidates for president and that  
the two receiving highest num. of votes  
be candidates for election. Carried

Moved and Sec. the rules be suspended  
and elect ballance of the officers by  
acclamation. Carried

The following officers were then elected  
to serve for the next year

F. M. Hoffsteadt Pres. ~~Pres~~ Burk Vice Pres.  
J. H. Leonhardt Sec. John Ripper  
Treas.

Motion to suspend rules and elect  
Mr. Joe Korbel by acclamation as

Switch Board mechanic Carried  
 move and see that Mr. Forbel be authorized  
 to select an assistant. Carried

Moved and Sec. that all persons who  
 became members after the last special \$5.00  
 assessment be exempt from the assessment.

The motion was lost

Moved and Sec. the the Special assessment  
 of 3.00 and 2.00 made during year 1919 to  
 cover the cost of remodeling Tel Ex. Bldg. be  
 remitted on and after this date.

Carried

Moved and <sup>to</sup> instruct our central girls  
 not to give service to Portland to anyone  
 except members of our exchange. Carried

Moved and rec<sup>that</sup> the Switch fee levied  
 for 1920 be placed 60 cents per phone  
 per month. Carried

adjourned



Members present at the 1920 annual meeting were.

F. L. Carsten  
Wm Burk  
Jos. Korbel

{ Hallam

J. H. Leonhardt  
Ch. B. Schmale

{ Farmers of Hallam

T. M. Hoffstadt  
Fred Kruse

{ Farmers of Selatonia

Irwin Lautubach  
Eugene Schwainger  
John Rippen

{ Buckle Center

Geo Heller  
Ed Marner  
J. P. Bunker

{ Olive Branch

Jacob Altmann

{ Star Tel. Co.

Saturday Oct. 20 1920

The official board of the Farmers and Hallam Tel. Ex. met at Hardware Store of Wm. Buckson for the purpose of considering a request by the present Tel. Ex. operators for a temporary increase in salary.

It was moved and Sec. that an increase of \$10.00 per month be granted until the next annual meeting.

Carried  
adjourned

Board members present

F. W. Hallstead

William Burk

John Ripper

J. H. Leonhardt

Feb. 5 1921.

## Annual Meeting Hallam Exchange

Meeting was called to order by Pres - F. N. Hoffstedt -

Sec being absent - Ward Sykes was appointed Sec. Pro Tem -

Minutes of last annual meeting read and approved

Treas report was read and accepted

Am't recd.

1423.29

Am't paid

1303.98

11931

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M<sup>nd</sup> S to suspend the rules and re-elect all old officers except Sec. Carried  
Ward Sykes elected Secretary.

M<sup>nd</sup> Sec to use old switchboard as long as it lasts. Board of Directors being authorized to take care of all existing business - Carried

M<sup>nd</sup> S to have Joe Norbel to take care of switch board - Carried.

M<sup>nd</sup> S to have board of directors do the hiring of operators - Carried

M<sup>nd</sup> S to leave levy at .60 per phone for following year - Carried

M<sup>nd</sup> S to adjourn - Carried

F. N. Hoffstedt Chairman  
Ward Sykes Sec. Pro Tem

Feb. 5. 1921.

Members present at annual meeting

Hallow Tel Co	{	Jos Nobel
		Fred Carstén
Farmers of Hallow	{	Louis Obermeyer
		Herman Schwanger
		Guy Hilblisch
		F. N. Hoffsteadt
Farmers of Clatonia	{	A. F. Kruse
		Hard Lykes
		Adolph Heidecker
Buda Center	{	Irvin Dauterbach
		George Partog
		Dick Brunken
Olive Branch	{	Dick Braaf
		John Bush
		Wm Moots
Star Tel Co	{	Jacob Altman
		Morris Gray
Salt Creek Line	{	Will Bush
		Geo Hendricks

Hallam Neb Feb 4 1922  
 Annual meeting Farmers and Hallam Tel Ex  
 Meeting was called to order by Pres. F. N.  
 Hoffsteadt.

Roll call as follows

	" Wm Burk
Hallam Tel Co	Joe Korbel
	Ed Lauterbach
	" Guy Hilblink
Farmers of Hallam	Welman Schwaniger
	" F. N. Hoffsteadt
Farmers of Clatonia	C. F. Kruse
	" Ward Sykes
	" Irvin Lauterbach
Bude Center	Geo Severin
	" Dick Brunkew
Olive Branch	John Bush
	" M. Mahlman
Stars Tel Co	{ James Cauthers
	"
Salt Creek Line	Henry Bush

Feb 5, 1922  
 Minutes read and approved

Annual meeting continued Feb 4 1922

Treas report as follows \$1376.51 rec'd

\$ 1340.43 paid out

Bal in treasury 36.08

Above report approved

Moved and Sec to levy .60 per mo per phone  
Carried.

Moved and Sec to re-elect all old officers

F. N. Hoffsteadt	Pres
W. M. Burk	V Pres
John Rippen	Treas
Ward Sykes	Sec

were elected

Adjourned

F. N. Hoffsteadt Chairman  
Ward Sykes Sec

Officers Meeting Feb 4 1922

M<sup>and</sup> S to have Joe Korbil order necessary  
reps for switch board. Carried.

M<sup>and</sup> S to have Joe Korbil take care of  
switch board.

All officers were present

F. N. Hoffstadt Chairman  
Harold Byker Sec

Annual Meeting Feb 3, 1923, →

Meeting called to order by Pres.  
Roll call as follows

Hallam Tel. Co.	{	Joe Korbel Ed. Lauterbach H <sup>rs</sup> Burk
Farmers of Hallam	{	John Hensinkelt Herman Schwaniger
Farmers of Colton	{	F. N. Hoffsteadt Hard Sikes
Buda Center	{	J. O. Lauterbach
Olive Branch	{	John Bush Dick Brunken Dick Broad
Star Tel Co	{	James Carthers H <sup>rs</sup> Moots Coby Olstman

Salt Creek Line Henry Busche.  
Minutes of Feb 4, 1923 read and approved  
Treas report read and approved  
Election of officers  
F. N. Hoffsteadt Pres  
H<sup>rs</sup> Burk V Pres  
Hard Sikes Sec



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John Rippeir. Treas  
 M<sup>nd</sup> S to levy .60 per phone carried  
 M<sup>nd</sup> S to appoint a committee of two  
 to attend switch board convention in  
 Lincoln latter part of the month to  
 investigate various makes of switch  
 boards

Carried

Joe Korbel and W<sup>m</sup> Burke were appointed

Adjourned

F. N. Hoffstead by Chairman  
 Fred Sykes Sec -

Annual Hallam Exchange Meeting  
Feb 2 1924

Meeting called to order by pres.  
Roll call as follows

Hallam Tel Co	{	Joe Korbel Ed Lauterbach H. Burk
Farmers of Hallam	{	Guy Hibblink
Farmers of Clatonia	{	F. N. Hoffstadt Ward Dykes
Buda Center	{	M. Gerdes H. Schneider Adolph Weisacker
Olive Branch	{	John Busch Dick Braaf Dick Brunkew
Star Tel Co	{	H. Moots
Salt Creek Line	{	Geo Heinrichs Walter Glos

Minutes of last annual meeting read  
and approved

Treas report read and approved  
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M<sup>nd</sup> Sect authorize Joe Forbelle to dispose  
of old switch board Carried

The following officers were elected by  
ballot

F. N. Hoffstedt President

Wm Burk Vice pres

Hard Sykes Secretary

John Rippen Treas

M<sup>nd</sup> S to levy 60 pers phone perms  
Carried.

M<sup>nd</sup> S to adjourn

Carried

F. N. Hoffstedt Chairman  
Hard Sykes secretary

Annual Hallam Exchange Meeting  
February 7, 1925.

Meeting called to order by pres.  
Roll call as follows:

Hallam Tel. Co.	{	Joe Korbel. Ed Lauterbach. W <sup>m</sup> Burk.
Farmers of Hallam	{	Roy Hilblink
Farmers of Clatonia	{	Berret Smith Clarence Grensman Ben Carsten.
Buda Center	{	Ervin Lauterbach Walter Schwaninger W <sup>m</sup> Mahlman
Olive Branch	{	Geo. Heller Aug. Mesman jr.
Star Tel. Co.	{	Jacob Oltman
Salt Creek Line	{	Henry Busch.

Minutes of last annual meeting  
read and approved.

Sec. report read and approved.

Treas. report read and approved  
with exception of error of W<sup>m</sup> Burk  
Coal Bill.

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M. and S. to accept <sup>line</sup> 30 and 19 as members.

The following officers were elected by ballot:

Ed. Lauterbach	President
Ben Carsten	Vice President
H. R. Sherwood	Secretary
Jas. Cauthers	Treasurer

M and S. to levy 55 cents per phone per month. carried.

M. and S. to adjourn.

carried.

H. R. Sherwood <sup>acting</sup> Secretary.

## Minutes of board Meeting

Feb. 16, 1925.

Called to order by Pres.

All officers present. Minutes of annual meeting read and approved.

M. and S. to pay \$80. per month and furnish all necessary light and fuel to operate exchange - carried.

M and S. to have either operator or Board give 30 days notice of any change contemplated - carried.

M and S. to retain Mrs. L. Schnieder

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as chief operator - Carried.  
 M and S. to hire Joe Korbel to care  
 for switch board making an  
 itemized statement of labor and  
 material - Carried.  
 M. and S. to extend <sup>one hour earlier</sup> service one  
 month earlier and later - Carried.  
 M. and S. to take up Cortland  
 wire noise with Blue River  
 power Co. Seward. - Carried.  
 M. and S. to adjourn - Carried

H. R. Sherwood  
 Sec.

Farmers & Hallam Telegraphs 99  
Exchange meeting

~~Annual Hallam Exchange Meeting~~  
February 6, 1926:

Meeting called to order by pres.

Minutes of last annual meeting  
read and approved.

Minutes of special board meeting  
read and approved.

Treas. report read and approved.

The following officers were elected:

Pres. Ed. Larterbach.

Vice Pres. Geo. Miller.

Sec. H. R. Sherwood.

Treas. Jas. Cauthers.

Motion made and seconded to levy  
fifty-five cents per month per  
phone - Carried.

Motion to adjourn - Carried.

H. R. Sherwood  
Sec.

Annual Meeting of Farmers & Hallam Telephone Exch.  
Feb 5, 1927.

Minutes of last annual meeting read and approved.

Roll call as follows: {  
Hallam Telephone Co. { Joe Korbel  
W<sup>m</sup> Burk  
John Rippen

Farmers of Hallam

Farmers of Clatonia

Buda Center

Olive Branch

Star Telephone Co.

Salt Creek

No 19

" 30

H. R. Sherwood.

Treasurers Report read and approved.

Following officers elected by ballot

Pres. Geo Miller. Vice Pres. Walter Schwaninger

Sec. H. R. Sherwood. Treas. John Rippen.

Motion made and <sup>seconded</sup> carried for Joe Korbel to take care  
of switch board (carried)

Motion made and seconded to have sec. to find place  
for annual meeting (lost)

Moved & seconded to levy 50¢ per mo. (carried)

" " " to adjourn "

H. R. Sherwood - Secretary.



Directors time ends

on the first Saturday in  
February 1912

Hallam } G. H. Wannen 1  
          } E. C. Chaplow 1  
          } J. Pranger

Farmers } Ed. Tankerback  
          } A. L. Appelman 1  
          } C. Keller

Star } James Charter  
      } H. Rolfs  
      } Charles J. Birk 1

Farmers Union } G. K. Huffstead  
                  } A. Walker  
                  } J. W. Buda

Olive Branch } J. Busch 1  
                  } J. Rietforth  
                  } J. Brunken

Buda } C. J. Scrim  
      } J. Rippen  
      } C. Casner 1

Salt Creek } Peter Glac  
                  } H. Weilage  
                  } J. C. Werger

Directors time ends on

First Saturday in February 1913

Hallam { J. H. Allens  
E. Chapley  
J. J. Barton

Stamms { Ed. Santor each  
A. S. Gopher  
Kerham { C. Keller

Star { J. W. Sherwood  
W. Busch  
August Albers

Andrew Walker  
C. F. Kruege  
A. B. Carster

John Busch  
John Rietfois  
J. Brunken

John Rippen  
W<sup>m</sup> Markman  
Henry Meyer



Annual Meeting of Farmers & Hallam Telephone  
Feb. 4, 1928.

Meeting called to order by Pres.  
Minutes of last annual meeting read and  
approved.

Roll call as follows: { Wm Burk.  
John Rippen.  
7 Hallam Telephone Co. { Joe Korbel.

Farmers of Hallam. - Guy Hilblink  
Farmers of Clatonia { Claus Gressman  
Garret Smith  
Paul Miller  
Buda Center { Irwin Lauterbach  
Walter Schwainger  
John Rohlein

Olive Branch - Wm. Mahlman.  
Star Telephone Co { Geo Miller  
Wm Moots.

No. 30. N.R. Sherwood

No. 19.  
Salt Creek.

Treasurers report read & approved.  
Moved and seconded to suspend  
rules and elect all old officers by  
acclamation. Carried.

Pres. Geo Miller  
 Vice. Pres. Walter Schwaninger  
 Sec. H. R. Sherwood.  
 Treas. John Rippen.

~~Moved and seconded to pay operators  
two weeks additional salary~~

Motion made & seconded to allow  
two weeks vacation at full pay to  
operators who have worked one full  
year. Carried.

Motion made & seconded that  
switchboard Co. pay two Dollars  
yearly to Farmers Telephone Co. of  
Hallam for up keep of Martell line.  
Carried.

Motion made & seconded to levy  
5-5 cents per month per phone. Carried  
Moved & seconded to adjourn.

H. R. Sherwood  
Secretary

Annual Meeting of Farmers of Hallam Sel. Exp.  
Feb. 2, 1929.

Meeting called to order by Pres.  
Minutes of last annual meeting  
read and approved.

Roll Call as follows:	}	Jos. Korbel
Hallam Sel. Co		Wm Burk
Farmers of Hallam	}	Milton Arthelm
		John Engelbart
Farmers of Clatonia	}	Chas. Haupt
		Geo. Smith
		Ben Carsten
		Ervin Lauterbach
Buda Center	}	Son Messman
Olive Branch		Aug. "
		Wm Mahman
Star Sel. Co	}	Jacof P. Stman
		Geo. Miller
Salt Creek	}	—
		—
		—

No. 30- H. R. Sherwood.  
 No. 19-

Treasurers Report read and tabled  
 until next meeting - New officers to audit Treas. Book.  
 The following officers elected by Accu-  
 sation.

Pres. Geo. Miller  
 Vice Pres. Walter Schwaminger  
 Sec. Erwin Lantzbach  
 Treas. Milton Arthelm

Moved & seconded to levy 60¢ per month  
 per phone.

Motion made and seconded to have  
 secretary send a copy of the minutes of the  
 annual meeting to each company  
 carried

Motion to adjourn  
 carried

H. R. Sherwood

Secy.



Annual Meeting of Farmers &  
Hallam Tel. Ex. Febr. 1, 1930

Meeting called to order by  
Pres Geo Miller.

Minutes of last annual  
meeting read and approved.  
Roll Call of the various lines  
as follows:

Hallam Tel. Co	}	Wm Burks
		Joe Korbel
Farmers of Hallam	}	John Potthoff
		Milton Arthelun
Farmers of Clatonia	}	Garret Smith
Ende Center Tel. Co	}	Geo Rohe
		Fred Haas
		Ad Schwainger
Olive Branch	}	Jacob Altman
		Geo Miller
Star Tel. Co	}	
Salt Creek	}	

The Treasurers report was read  
and accepted

Motion made and second to susp  
end the rule and elect the new  
officers by acclamation. Motion carried

Pres Geo Miller

Vice Pres Jacob Altman

Sec Adolf Schwaninger

Treas Wm Burk

Motion made and second to  
levi 60¢ per month per phone  
motion carried

Motion made and second to  
ajourn

motion carried

Irvin Lauterbach

Bal on hand 146.02 Secy

Report of 1931

Annual Meeting of Farmers  
and Hallam Teleco Feb 7, 1931  
Was called to order by Geo. Miller  
Pres.

The report of the Sec. was  
read and approved

The report of the Treasurer  
was read and showed that  
we took in 14.11<sup>72</sup>

expended 12.83.75  
1.27.97 on hand.

the report was accepted

The different lines were represented  
by the following delegates

Hallam [Korbul  
Burk]

Farmers of Clatonia [Sagehorn  
Smith  
Carsten]

Buda [Robe  
Gerdes  
Schwaninger]

Olive Branch [Missman  
Missman  
Mallman]

Star Miller  
Salt Creek Cassin  
Farmers of Hallam Fieblink

Motion made and second  
that the 11.45 Bill of the Buda Center  
be allowed

Motion made and seconded to  
put a new wire on this end of the  
Hallam Courtland line

Result of the election was as  
follows

Pres. John Sagehorn <sup>VP</sup> M.A. Gadsden  
Sec. A. G. Schwaninger  
Treas. Wm. Burk

Motion made and second that  
are agreed

Carried

A. G. Schwaninger  
Sec.

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114 Annual Meeting for 1932  
Sat Feb. 6. 1932

The annual meeting of the  
farmers and Hallam Tele. Co  
was called to order by John  
Sagehorn Pres.

The report of the Sec was read and  
approved.

The report of the treasurer was read  
and showed ~~received~~ <sup>received</sup> 1294.98  
paid out 1318.64

In red 2366

If outstanding money is received  
there will be 9294 on hand  
The report was approved.

Roll call as follows

Hallam { Korbel  
          { Burp  
          { Pathoff  
Farmers of Clatoma { Sagehorn  
                          { Corsten  
                          { Miller  
Buda { Gerdes  
       { Robt  
       { Schwanning  
Olive Branch { Mannen  
               { Raitfors  
               { Heller

Star: Pillard

Salt Creek: Gahn

Farmers of Hallam

Bill for 180 of bud center for  
work on catland line was allowed  
Motion that the Hallam switch board  
Co buy a new wire to replace the  
catland wire was carried  
Said wire to be put on by Bud's  
center line men

A motion to reduce the central  
wages was carried 12 to 5

Motion made and 2nd that we  
pay present rate of 80.00 per mo  
and central girls pay their own  
fuel bill and light bill and the Co  
pay them 25.00 for juice to run the  
rings carried

The officers were elected as follows

Pres. John Sagehorn

V. Pres. W. A. Gerdes

Sec. Harry Pillard

Treas. Wm. Gurl

one adjourned

A. G. Schwanning  
Sec.

The Annual Meeting for 1  
Sat Feb 4<sup>m</sup> 1933

Meeting was called to order  
by W. A. Berdes, Vice Pres.

Sec. Report was read and approved.

The Treas. report was  
read and approved.

Motion was made, sec. & carried  
to accept the bills of Fin. 1-2-6-8.

Roll call as follows.

Hallam	{ Korbell Burr Potter	Farmers of Hallam	{ Ted Hays Ang. Hays H. Obermeyer
Farmers of Clatuck	{ Carlsen Smith		
Buda	{ Schwaminger Berdes Block		
O Branch	{ Minner Rietfors Heller		
Star	{ Olthman Miller W. Olthman		
Salt Creek	{ Peter Bloz D. Asseln		

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Motion was made seconded to charge business phone 50¢ more per month. Lost.

Motion to pay the central girls 625.00 for 1 year which includes 25.00 for ringers also \$40 for vacation money. This includes the fuel 7. Eight. Voting was by ballot 14 to 5.

Motion made and sec. to Levy 35¢ per phone per month. Carried

Nom. for president being in order Adolph Schwaminger and M.A. Gerdas Result was 10 to 8 in favor of M.A. Gerdas

Nom for Treas. was in order The candidates were Garret Smith & Will Burk. Result was 11 to 2 <sup>Smith</sup> elected Motion to pay the Treas 5.00 for his services Carried 10 to 7

Nom for Sec. was next Candidates Pillard & Schwaminger Result 12 to 4 for Pillard Candidates for Vice Pres. in order A G Schwaminger was elected by acc. Motion to Adj. Carried Harry Pillard



Feb. 4<sup>th</sup> 1933

A special meeting of the Farmers and Hallam Feb. Ex. Change was held in Hallam Feb 4<sup>th</sup>. Meeting was called to order by the Pres. M. A. Godes, for the purpose of examining the books of the company. With regard to when the salary of operators would begin. After examining the books it was decided that all such salaries begin with the annual meeting the first Sat. in Feb. and the treasurer was instructed to make change in operators salary effective immediately. Motion to adjourn. Carried  
Harry Pillard Sec.

The Annual Meeting of the Farmers and Hallam, Neb. Co. was held Feb 3 1934. Meeting was opened by M.A. Gudes. Sec. Report was read and approved.

Treas. Report was read and approved. Motion to allow <sup>Korbel</sup> <sup>Hilli</sup> <sup>Schmidt</sup> Bills totaling \$8.70 be approved.

Hallam { Pothoff  
Korbel  
Burk

Farmers { Ted Waco  
7  
Hallam  
Aug. 1934

Farmers & Clatonia { Carsten  
H. Albens

Buda { A. Schwaninger  
Ed Messinger  
M.A. Gudes

O. Branch { Ed Hanner  
Geo. Miller

Star { Wm. Altman  
Geo. Miller

Salt Creek {

Motion was made seconded  
to replace old poles where  
needed from central office to R.R. tract  
Motion that each line send a  
man to do this work was  
seconded & carried.

Motion was made seconded and  
carried to have Joe Korbel as  
foreman for this work.

Motion was made to have Joe  
purchase the materials carried.

Motion was made sec & carried to  
have Joe Korbel get repairs that  
are needed for the switchboard.

Nomination for pres. is in order.  
Result of voting Gerdes 12 Schwaminger  
Carsten 3

Adolph Schwaminger was elected Vice Pres  
by acclamation.

Harry Pillerd was elected <sup>sec.</sup> by acclamation.  
Election of Treas. Result, Burk 10 Schmidt

Motion was made sec. & carried to  
retain the present central operators.

Motion to change the present  
rate of 35¢ per phone permont

was carried.

Motion was made sec. 2 carried  
The central girls be required  
to make a report of all toll calls  
the coming year.

Motion to adjourn, Carried

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The Annual Meeting of the  
Farmers of Hallam T. Co.  
was held in M. W. A. Hall  
Nov. 2.  
The report was read & approved  
The report was read and approved

Roll Call by lines

- |                       |                        |                             |
|-----------------------|------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Line members          | { Korbelt v Salt Creek | Peter Elmer<br>Mm Village + |
|                       | { Burk v               |                             |
|                       | { Potthoff v           |                             |
| Farmers of<br>Clatsop | { Clarence Grunseman v |                             |
|                       | { Smith v              |                             |
| Red a Center          | { Schwaminger v        |                             |
|                       | { Gerdes v             |                             |
|                       | { Wailahn v            |                             |
| Olive Branch          | { Reiffors v           |                             |
|                       | { F. Messman S.H.      |                             |
|                       | { Ed Hansen v          |                             |
| Star                  | { Wm Altman v          |                             |
| Farmers of<br>Hallam  | { Ted Haas v           | a. Eck.                     |
|                       | { ...                  |                             |

An application of Misses Alberto  
was read & passed up.

Motion was made seconded  
& carried to keep the same operators  
as heretofore the salary being  
the same.

Nom. for Pres. being in order  
Clarence Grefseman was nom.  
and M. A. Gerdes was also nom.  
Voting was by ballot Result Gerdes 6  
Grefseman 9

Vice Pres was reelected by acc.  
Treas was reelected by acc.  
Sec was reelected by acc.  
Motion to levy 35¢ per phone  
per month carried.  
Motion to adjourn Carried.

Harry Pillard Sec.

Feb. 1st 1936

The Annual Meeting of the Farmers & Hallam Telephone exchange was held at the Farmer's Elevator on Feb. 1st with the following member lines being present

Hallam Line { Korbel  
Suzk  
Potthoff

Farmers of Clatonia { G. G. Genseman  
J. Smith

Buda center { A. Schwamminger  
M. A. Gentes  
Wm. Marlabin

Olive Branch { F. Reutfoer  
S. Heller  
Ed. Hammen

Star { Wm. Oltmanns

Farmers of Hallam. { Ted Haas  
Art Eckel  
Wilton Apthelm

Balt Creek {

Sec report read & approved  
 Treas report read and accepted  
 as incomplete, to be corrected by  
 a committee appointed by the Pres,  
 composed of Art Eckel, Ad Schwaminger,  
 Geo. Heller, Ted Haas & John Potthoff.  
 Nominations for Pres. are in order  
 Motion was made to suspend the rules  
 & vote for Clarence Gleasonman  
 by acclamation. Carried. Nom.  
 for Treas. were Garret Smith,  
 Adolph Schwaminger, Joe Korbel,  
 John Potthoff. Voting will be by  
 ballot. Result was Ad Schwaminger 9  
 Smith 2 Potthoff 3 Korbel 1. Sec. was  
 Nom. & reelected by acclamation  
 Motion was made to instruct the  
 operator to notify the Pres. of the  
 several lines of such parties whose  
 toll calls are unpaid and hold  
 that company for the collection of  
 the same. <sup>and</sup> Motion was made  
 sec & carried to make a  
 levy of 50<sup>00</sup> per month <sup>for operators</sup> and  
 35¢ per phone per month.  
 Carried. Motion to Adjourn <sup>Carried</sup>  
 1 Harry Pillard Sec



Special Meeting Aug 26 1936

For the purpose of the installing of a cable in Hallam after some discussion it was moved & seconded to instruct the several lines <sup>or companies</sup> to hold a meeting & levy 2.00 per phone to build the same & report to the Hallam Tel. Exchange before Sept 16<sup>th</sup>.

Motion to Adjourn Carried  
Harry Pellard Sec.

Special Meeting of the Hallam & Farmers Tel. Co was held Sept 16 1936. Motion was made seconded & carried to repair the line by installing a cable. Motion was also made that the chair appoint a committee to investigate the different companies & obtain bids for the installation of the cable. Motion to have the committee report Sept 23. Motion to Adjourn Carried

Special Meeting was held Sept 23 1936. The minutes of the last meeting was read & approved. After some discussion it was moved & seconded to proceed with the construction of the cable line and do same as near the estimate as possible. It was moved & seconded that the same committee hold over & do the purchasing & overseeing Motion to Adjourn Carried  
 Harry Pelland  
 Sec.

Special Meeting was held Wed. evening Oct. 21 1936. For the purpose of arranging for the laying of the cable. It was moved & seconded that the several lines send men to do the work. It was moved & seconded in the case of Ben Miller of Crite that he pay the \$2.00 assessment.

It was moved sec & carried to have the special assessment put in a separate fund. It was agreed to begin work Oct 27th Motion to Adjourn Carried

Special meeting was held  
Nov. 18, 1936. Sec report of  
previous meeting was read and  
approved. Treas report was read  
with respect to part of the income  
It was agreed that the treasurer  
take care of the expenses of the  
cabde except certain items. One  
regarding the private expenses of Ben  
Miller also the one that Joe Korbel  
present was sent back for adjustment

Motion to Adjourn.

The Annual Meeting of  
 the Farmers of Hallam  
 Tel. Exchange was held Feb 6  
 with the following delegates

Hallam { Korbek  
 Potthoff  
 Burk

Farmers { Alvin Blum

Cladonia { Clarence Jensenman

Buda Center { Meyer  
 Schwaminger  
 Haas

Line 3 { Wm. Oldman  
 Jacob Oldman

Line 1 & 2 { Eckel  
 Milton Arthur  
 Aug. Fahm

Line 7 { E. Brunken  
 Geo. Keller

The Sec. Rep. was Read & approved  
 The Treas. Rep. " " approved  
 In the case of the cable fund  
 it being in arrears. It was  
 moved & seconded that the  
 company add the sum of 5c  
 per phone to cover the expense  
 making the total to 40c per  
 phone per month.

The next in order being the  
 election. It was moved & seconded  
 to elect Clarence Genseman as  
 Temporary chairman. He being  
 also elected permanent pres.  
 for the ensuing year. The  
 Treas. was also elected by acclamation.  
 The Sec. was re-elected by acc.  
 It was moved and seconded  
 that the Company give the  
 Booster club the right to furnish  
 the telephone company the Toll Books  
 & prepay the postage on same.  
 Motion was made sec. & carried  
 that all purchases pertaining to  
 the switchboard be. o. k'd by  
 the president

Motion was made & recorded  
to have the Board hire a  
person to maintain & repair the  
switchboard. Motion to adjourn  
Carried

Annual Meeting of the Farmers  
 & Hallam Telephone Exchange  
 was held Feb 5 1937. with the  
 following delegates present

Hallam { Frank Fortek  
 Nander  
 Focken

Farmers { Alvin Blum  
 of { Clarence Genseman  
 Clatoma { Claus Genseman

Buda { Meyer  
 Center { Hads  
 A G Schwaminger

Line 3 { Jacob Oldman  
 Geo Miller  
 Wm Oldman

Line 172 { Eckel  
 H Schwaminger  
 Milton Arthelm

Line 7 { J Busch  
 D Brunken  
 Heller

Line 9 { Wehage  
 Wasserman  
 Ben Burkman

The Sec Report was read & approved. The Treas. Report was also read and approved.

The election was next in order. Clarence Genseman was placed in nomination. Adolph Schwanning was also nominated. Geo Miller was also nominated. Results Gens. 12 Schwanning Miller 2.

Nom for V. Pres. A. G. Schwanning, Geo Miller & Herman Schwanning. Results Geo Miller was elected.

Nom. for Treas. Geo Nannen, A. G. Schwanning, Jacob Oltman. Results A. G. Schwanning was elected.

Nom. for Sec. Geo. Keller, H. Pillea, Harry Haas. Harry Gullard was elected.

Some discussion was made with regard to operator for the ensuing year. By rising vote it was voted to leave it as is.



It was moved & seconded to  
make a levy of 40¢ per phone  
per month.

After some remarks about  
fire inspection bureau report  
on office building it was  
referred to the local agent.

Some discussion was had with  
respect to the directory. It was  
voted to leave it to the Booster  
club to furnish.

Motion to adjourn Carried

The annual meeting of the Farmers & Hallam telephone exchange was held Febr 4-1939. The meeting was called to order by the chairman Clarence Grensman. In absence of our secretary Harry Pillard Adolph Schwaninger then read the secretary's report. The report was accepted as read. The chairman then appointed Arthur Cebel to act as substitute secretary for this meeting. The treasurer's <sup>report</sup> was then read by our treasure Adolph Schwaninger and accepted as read.

Roll call then indicated the following delegates present.

Farmers	Arthur Whiting
of	Clarence Grensman
Clatonia	Alvin B. Coors

Buda Center) Adolph Schwaninger

Line 3) Jacob Altman

Line 182 { Arthur Oebel  
Milton Ashteton

Line 7 { Ed Nannen  
Ernest Brunken  
Louie Messman

Line 9 { George Messman  
Frank Molzer

Hallam { George Focher  
George Nannen

The Social Security act was discussed by the President and was left to be looked into by the elected officers.

The compensation law was also discussed.

A fund of \$48,87 which was on hand from the old Creamery Co of Hallam in the Hallam Bank was then discussed.

A motion was made and carried that we except this money for the Farmers & Hallam telephone exchange.

This money was to be used for improvements for the switch board. A motion was made and carried to charge .35 cents per month switching fees. A motion made and carried that if we receive the money from the Farmers Creamery Co of Hallam that we buy a new ringer for the switch board.

The election of officers then took place.

A nomination for President resulted in the following candidates

Adolph Schwaminger  
 Arthur Eckel and Clarence  
 Greenman. Arthur  
 Eckel was elected Pres and  
 Clarence Greenman Vice  
 President. Adolph  
 Schwaminger was elected as  
 Treasure by acclamation.  
 Milton Apthum and Alvin  
 Bloom were then nominated  
 as candidates for secretary

Milton Aethelm was elected as secretary. A motion was then made and carried to adjourn.

Arthur Cebel  
Acting Sec.

The annual meeting of the Farmers & Hallam telephone exchange meet on March 2<sup>d</sup> 1940.

The meeting was called to order by our chairman Arthur Cebel. The minutes of the last meeting was read and accepted. The roll call indicated the following members present.

Members of Clatsop Co. (none)  
Line 3. (Jacob Altman)

Line 182 { Arthur Cebel  
Lee Haas  
Milton Aethelm

Line 7 { Ed Warner  
Aug Messman  
Ernest Brunken

Line 6 & 8, { Carl Lahm  
Adolph Schwaminger

Hallam Line { George Wanner  
George Fadsen

Line 9 - Frank Molzer

The treasurer's report was then read and accepted as read.

The President then discussed the social security act. The business of repairing the switch board was then discussed. A motion was made by Jacob Altman and seconded by Lee Haar that we have the switch board fixed up in good shape. The question was then brought up about fixing and bracing the telephone pole by road sign section. Section Jacob Altman made a motion in which he was seconded by Lee Haar. On just business that the officers see Sykes and let him fix this up as reported by him. A motion was made by Lee Haar and seconded by Jacob Altman that the officers investigate the electric current that it takes to run the rings and allow the \$25 dollars and all

that runs over up to one dollar per month. A motion was made to elect one new officer every year, motion not carried.

A motion was then made and carried that all the present officers succeed themselves for another year. Motion then carried to adjourn after which the item of switch fees was brought up. Carl Lahm made a motion to raise the switch fees to .40 cents a month per phone. It was seconded by Lee Haas voted on and carried. We then adjourned.

Signed

Milton Aylthorn

Hallam Feb  
 Febr 1, 1941

The annual meeting of the Farmers and Hallam telephone exchange meet on Febr 1, 1941. The meeting was called to order by the chairman Arthur Echel. The roll was called and the following members present reported here.

Line 1 & 2 Arthur Echel &  
 Milton Oythron

Line 3 none

Line 4 & 5 Herman Alberts &  
 Ben Carsten

Line 6 & 8 Adolph Schwaninger  
 Orville Beck & Archard

Line 7 Fred Rietforts &  
 John Byszch

Line 9 Gule Wielage

Hallam Line George Hansen

Line 30 None

The treasurer report was than read and excepted as read.



The item of fixing the pole by Ward Snyder service station was then brought up. A motion was made by Ben Carsten and seconded by John Busch that we fix the pole and brace it the way it should be. A motion was made by John Busch and carried to have the officers of the switch board look after this and see that the pole gets fixed.

The item of fixing the toilet at the central office was then brought up a motion was made by Adolph Schwaringer and seconded by Herman Alberts that we get a new one put up as cheap as possible and was left up to the officers also to see it is done. A motion was made to raise the salary of the telephone operators 5.00 per month by George Nannen and seconded by John Busch. It was voted on by ballot five were for it and four against it.

A motion was made by George Mannen and seconded by John Busch that we leave the switch fees at 40 cts a phone per month motion carried. A motion was made by Adolph Schwaninger and seconded by Herman Alberts that we retain our present trouble shooter Irvin Song for another year motion carried. Motion then came to adjourn and carried.

After adjournment our selected treasure <sup>Adolph Schwaninger</sup> refused to except the treasure books so by request from our president Ben Carsten excepted the books.

Milton Gythelm  
Sec.

~~Line 1 & 2~~ ~~Arthur Eckel~~ ~~Ded~~  
Hallam Neb. Febr 7, 1942

The meeting was called to order by our chairman Arthur Eckel. The secretary read the minutes of the last meeting which were excepted as read. The treasure then gave his report of the financial standing of the Switch board committee. He reported \$1.78 on hand at the close of the year. A motion was then made and carried to except the treasures report as read. The roll call indicated the following members present

Line 1 & 2 Arthur Eckel, Milton Aylhetm, Fred Maas, & Lee Haas.

Line 3 Jacob Altman

Line 4 & 5 Paul Miller, Herbert Weilage, Ed Schernikau, Ben Carsten, & Clarence Albers.

Line 6 & 8 Orville Beck, Will Luckhardt, & Erhardt Sakum

Line 9 none. Hallam line  
Maurice Roche, George Finken,

and George Frankforter.  
 Line 30 none. Line 7 Louie  
 Messman, Ed Nannen, &  
 Ernest Brunken.

The question was then discussed  
 about the school phone on line  
 4 & 5 and it was decided to  
 leave it as the by laws have  
 it which is (All phones on  
 all lines in use must pay  
 switching fees. All dead phones  
 to be reported at once when  
 subscriber moves off. All  
 treasurers report number of  
 subscribers on their lines  
 March 1st & Sept 1st.) The  
 question was then brought up  
 about hiring a man to fix  
 the switch board when needed.  
 A motion was made and carried  
 that we hire Walter Powers of  
 Martel when needed at switch  
 board. The item of corporation  
 papers were then brought up  
 and it was decided not to do  
 anything about it until they

write about it again.

The question of the telephone directors was then discussed.

It was decided to leave Arba Bonebright see that they are fixed up again next year.

It was then decided to leave the switch fees at .40 cts per month per phone. A motion was made by Monroe Roike and seconded by George Folsom that we pay our central operators 60. dollars per month, the motion carried. A motion was made by Ben Carsten and seconded by Fred Haas that line 4 & 5 be assessed 3.60 for their school phone. Motion carried.

Next came the election of Officers which were voted on by ballot. Results were for President Arthur Eckel.

Vice Pres George Folsom

Treas Ben Carsten

Sec Milton Athelton

Paul Miller made a motion and seconded by Ben Carsten that we change our switch board meeting date from the first Saturday of Feb to the Second Saturday of Jan, and make this an amendment to the constitution. The motion carried. It was then moved and seconded that we adjourn. Carried.

Signed

Milton Astheta

Minutes excepted Jan 9-43

Sec.

Hallam Neb Jan 9-1943

The Hallam switch board committee meeting was called to order by our President Arthur Eichel. <sup>minutes</sup>

The roll call indicated the following members present. Line 1 & 2

Fred Haas, Art Eichel, Milton Astheta

Line 3 George Miller, Will Altman

Line 4 & 5 Clarence Sprensmann

Ed Schmeickman Line 6 & 8

Wm Lubhardt Line 7

Lania Messman, Ed Nanner  
Hallam telephone Co Morrow  
Roche. Line 30 none.

Next business was the Treasurer's report. It was reported that we had \$42.88 on hand from last year. Also reported of the receipt of the various lines coming in to the board and the expenditures of the Switch board. The treasure report was accepted as read.

The question was then discussed about the entering of the cable.

It was decided that any company entering the cable must pay a sum of \$2.50 before entering said cable.

Minutes of last meeting were read by the secretary and accepted as read.

It was then moved & seconded that if the Hallam telephone Co owes yet on the cable it should be collected. Motion made by Ed Schmirikan

150 sentiment of the company was  
to have our operator sign a contract  
each year here after  
proceedings of

and second by Will Altman that  
we raise our telephone operator  
wages \$5.00 per month this  
coming year. Motion Withdrawn  
Motion made to vote by  
ballot for raise our operator  
wages from \$5.00 to \$10. Results  
were 6 for \$10.00 and 4 in favor  
of \$5. Motion made by Will  
Altman and seconded by Will  
Lueckhardt to make an  
assessment of .55 cts a month  
per phone. carried motion  
made and carried to continue  
with Powers of Martel as  
trouble shooter. Motion made  
and carried to leave the telephone  
directory as usual with Ira  
Benebright. Officers were  
then elected by acclamation.  
As follows. Art Eschel Pres.  
Fred Haas Vice Pres. Ben  
Carsten Treas. Milton Apthelm  
Secretary. Motion than came  
to adjourn. carried.

Milton Apthelm Sec  
minutes dictated as read Jan 8<sup>th</sup> 1944



## Officers Meetings

Apr 25, 1911

The officers of the Farmer's  
& Hollom Telephone Exchange  
met. Present were

C. J. Burke President, A. Walker  
Vice President, C. Keller Sec  
and G. H. Hamman Treas.

First. It was agreed upon  
that the Central at Hollom  
shall give free exchange  
to the following named  
towns to wit; Cortland,  
Martell, Kramer and  
Clatonia.

Second, That C. Keller shall pay  
\$32.00 expense and labor for  
incorporating the said company.

Third That we buy the extra  
phone from the Hollom Co. for  
\$10.00. Fourth, That we connect  
all wires from Center pole to  
switch board.

C. Keller  
Sec

# Proceedings of

Sept 26 1911

Present were C. J. Burk  
 G. Walker G. H. Manner C. Keller  
 Moved and carried that  
 the parties who are still  
 back with the five dollars  
 due shall be notified  
 to pay the same.

Secondly That a stove  
 shall be bought for Central  
 Office

Third That C. Keller  
 shall put up out building  
 as he sees fit.

Adjourned, C. Keller  
 Sec

## Officers Meeting

Feb 5 1912

Officers meeting was called by President  
 All members were present being  
 Wm Von Busch, C. Keller, A. H. Haines  
 and E. B. Chapelow

Minutes of Annual meeting read and  
 approved

It was agreed by motion that E. B.  
 Chapelow look after Switch board  
 and see that it is repaired when out  
 of shape. It was agreed that he could  
 hire the work done if unable to do it  
 himself.

- It was agreed by motion to give  
 Central girl choir of 5 holidays per  
 year to be open same hours as our  
 Sundays. Girl to give Secretary notice  
 before Feb. 22<sup>nd</sup>

Secretary was instructed to notify  
 Treasurers of different lines that  
 Jan. Switch fees have not been  
 paid and must be paid at once. All  
 fees here after to be paid by the  
 15<sup>th</sup> of each month and the money  
 shall be left with the Secretary

## Officers Meetings

Treasurer of Lines	Fred Carstern	Hallam
Hallam	John Leonhardt Jr.	
Farmers of Hallam	Wm Ottway	Hallam
Star Telephone Co	C. B. Carstern	Hallam
Farmers of Catania	John D. Brunsen	Hallam
Olive Branch	L. Coakley	
Buda Telephone Co	Peter Hoe	
Lat Buek Telephone Co		

It was agreed by motion to have Central girl make up a code of all lines as explained by Secretary. The officers shall obtain the rules from the neighboring exchanges for reference at a future meeting.

It was agreed that some necessary repairs be looked after by C. B. Chapelow and that Mr. Boller be given right to put a partition in local House and to use the old lumber in putting up partition and for fire wood.

Meeting Adjourned

Cornet C. Chapelow  
Secretary

Holidays chosen by Ebenezer Boller-

1. Washington's Birth Day
2. Memorial Day
3. July 4<sup>th</sup>
4. Thanksgiving Day
5. Christmas Day

Apr 16 1912

Directors meeting called by President  
All members <sup>was</sup> present except Mr Walker

It was decided to call a meeting of  
all delegates of Swedish Board to  
meet Saturday Apr 20<sup>th</sup> at Idalium  
Hall and bring up the following  
Subjects for discussion

Ignorance on Building.

New Code to be printed.

Fire Tester

Cottages Hire and such other

business matters as may be necessary  
Meeting adjourned

E. C. Chapman  
Secretary

Nov 15.

It was agreed among the Officers of  
the Exchange to raise the wages of Office  
girls 5<sup>00</sup> per month beginning Dec 1 1912

## Hallam Neb

Jan 8-1944

The meeting of the Hallam switch board Co was called to order by our President Arthur Eichel. The roll call indicated the following members present.

Line 1 & 2 Arthur Eichel, Herman Schwaninger, Fred Haas, Frank Olson, and Milton ~~Aythelm~~.

Line 3 George Miller, & Fred Ebbers. Line 4 & 5 Ben Carsten, Clarence Albers, & Ed Schenikan. Line

6 & 8 Wm Luchhardt, E. H. Lahm. Line 7 Louie

Messman. Line 9-A - Hallam Line Monroe Rocks, George Forben, & Floyd Stiemeyer. The minutes

of the last meeting were then read and excepted as read. The Treasures report was read and excepted.

A motion was made that the Switch board company

be authorized to fix the toll  
 line between Hallam and  
 Martel and charge line  
 nine for the expenses with  
 this amendment to put  
 Martel line in good working  
 order from the School house  
 two miles north of Hallam  
 to the Missouri Pacific  
 tracks. This motion was  
 voted on by acclamation and  
 carried. Motion made and  
 carried that we raise the  
 operators wages to \$85.00  
 per month. Trouble sheet  
 was left as usual also  
 the publishing of the  
 telephone directory. The  
 election of officers then  
 took place. Motion was  
 made and carried to  
 reelect the President.  
 Fred Horn was elected  
 as Vice Pres. Milton  
 Aytton as secretary, and  
 Ben Carsten as treasure.

Motion made to raise the  
switch to 70 cents a month  
per phone. Motion carried.  
Motion then came to adjourn  
and carried.

Wilton A. Peterson Sec



Hallam Neb

Jan 13. 1945

The Hallam Switch Board  
Company meeting was  
called to order by President  
Art Eckel. Roll call  
indicated the following  
members present.

Line 1 & 2 Art Eckel,  
Milton Aylmer, Herman  
Schwaninger, LaVern  
Weilage, & Frank Olson.  
Line 3 George Miller.

Line 4 & 5 Ben Carsten,  
& Clarence Albert.

Line 7 Ed Hammer &  
Louis Newman.  
Clarence Swartz

Line 9 Ben Burkman

Hallam town Line  
Wm Hull

The minutes of the last meeting were then read and accepted as read. The treasurer then gave his report. A motion was made to accept the treasurer's report as read. Motion carried.

The question was then discussed about the telephone operator. They were all in favor of keeping our operator. A motion was also made to raise her wages \$5 per month with amount to 100 dollars per month.

This motion was voted on and carried. A motion was made and carried to reelect Art Eichel as trouble shooter.

Election of officers was then in order. The president Art Eichel was reelected by acclamation. It was then voted to reelect Fred Hays as Vice president.

Ben Carter was reelected  
 as treasure by acclamation.  
 Fred Bloch & Erhardt Lahn  
 were then elected as candidates  
 for Sec. Fred Bloch was  
 elected by ballot. A motion  
 was made and carried to  
 raise our switch fees from  
 70 to 80 cents a per month  
 for phone.

Motion then came  
 to adjourn.

Motion carried.

Milton G. Thelmer  
 Sec.

Hallam Neb. Jan 12-46

The Hallam Switch Board meeting  
was called to order by President  
at Ekel ~~with~~ <sup>with</sup> roll call.

- |      |     |                              |
|------|-----|------------------------------|
| Line | 1-2 | <del>President</del> at Ekel |
| "    |     | Frank Elmer                  |
| "    | 3-5 | Star Geo Miller              |
| "    | 4-5 | Farmington Clarence Albeto   |
|      |     | Clarence Brennan             |
|      |     | Ed. Carter                   |
| "    | 6+8 | Buda Co. H. Sakm             |
|      |     | Ed. Bosh                     |
| "    | 7   | Chinook Aug. Messman         |
|      |     | Louie Messman                |
|      |     | Ed. Nannan                   |
| "    | 9   | Salt Creek Morris Grass      |
| "    |     | City Hallam Wm Kruff         |
|      |     | John Schmueler               |
| "    | 30  | <del>Ed. J. Zimmerman</del>  |

~~Reading of last year's minutes~~  
The minutes of the last meeting  
were read & approved. The treasurer  
then gave his report. The ~~minutes~~  
read and approved.

Election of operators of switch Board  
 motion was made to keep the  
 operators, this motion Voted  
 on and carried.

Motion was made by  
 Frank Olson to install a  
 light over the front step of  
 telephone office motion was  
 made & carried.

Frank Olson made motion to  
 increase the allotment from  
 \$37<sup>00</sup> to 75<sup>00</sup> for lights at the  
 switch board or telephone ex-  
 change and as to be paid quarterly  
 and by separate checks. Motion  
 was seconded by Clarence Alberts.  
 Motion approved & carried.

Motion was made and carried  
 to select Art Eichel as trouble shooter  
 Clarence Alberts made motion  
 to leave the switch fee at .80 per Mon.  
 motion approved & carried

Election of officers was in order  
 motion made to select a President  
 Art Eichel was elected by Ballot  
 motion made by Frid. Block

to elect C. N. Lahn Vice President  
Motion Carried & Approved  
Frank Olson was elected  
for treasure by Ballot.  
Jed Blok was elected Sec. by  
Acclamation.

Motion was made  
to adjourn  
Jed Blok  
Sec.

Hallam Neb. Jan 11-47

The Hallam Switch Board Meeting was called to order by Pres. Art Cabal

		Present.
Roll Call		H. A. Schmeiderer
1 Farmer of Hallam	}	3 Fred Hays
2 " " "		Alvin Sullivan
3 Star	}	2 Geo. Miller
4 Chatsworth		Jacob Altman
5 " "	}	2 Ed Schmeiderer
6 Bud Center		Clarence Albert
8 " "	}	2 M. A. Gerdner
7 Olivad Branch		Fred Block
9 Salt Creek	}	2 June Zimmerman
City of Hallam Tele.		Ed Hamer
		2 Marie Lyman
		3 Knoll
		Smalzer
		Luthehart
30 Lloyd Zimmerman		1

The minutes of the last meeting were read & approved. The treasure Olson gave his report, Ted Hays made a motion Frank Olson to finish the income tax report before turning over the books to new treasure. Motion was made & excepted a read, and approved over

Motion was made to keep the same Operator and at the same wage. Motion was made and approved.

Motion was made to keep Art Ekel as trouble shooter. Bill Krull motion and was carried by the house.

Ed. Schornikow made motion that each line furnish one man to shingle the Central office. Motion was seconded by Myra Herdis. Motion made & approved.

Motion was made to elect officers. Motion was made to elect Herman Schwaringer, Art Ekel, ~~Ed Schornikow~~, and Clarence Alberts. Art Ekel was elected by Ballot, <sup>President</sup>

Olsen made motion to ~~have~~ have C. H. Lahm as Vice President. Motion carried and approved.

Herman Schwaringer and Ed Schornikow were nominated as candidates for treasure. Ed Schornikow was nominated by Ballot. <sup>Treasure</sup>



~~Secretary~~ <sup>Paul Block</sup> was elected by  
acclamation.

Motion was made to Herman  
Schanning to raise the treasure  
salary to \$2000. Motion was seconded  
by Maria Erdis. Motion was carried  
and approved.

Motion was made  
to adjourn.  
Paul Block Secy.

Hallam Wk Jan 10 - 1948

The Hallam's first board meeting  
was called to order by President W. C. C. Call  
Secretary's report was read and  
approved.

Roll Call.

- |    |                 |                            |
|----|-----------------|----------------------------|
| 1  |                 | Alvin Sullivan             |
| 2  |                 | Ed Guadhamer               |
| 3  | Star            | Geo. Miller, Fred Schwanke |
| 4  | Swain           | Clarence Brennan           |
| 5  | of Clayton      | Ed Schumaker               |
| 6  |                 | Mina Serdes!               |
| 8  | Bud Carter      | Fred Bloch                 |
| 7  | Alone Branch    | August Messman             |
|    |                 | Ed Nassman                 |
| 9  | Salt Creek      | none present               |
| 30 | Lloyd Zimmerman |                            |

City Hallam John Pipping, John  
Magill, Wm. Luchstadt

Treasurer report was read  
as read and approved. Motion was accepted

Clarence Brennan made  
motion to leave the matter of

the Claytonia line to the  
 of Delegates of Hallam and the Directors  
 of Hallam Switch Board exchange  
 Special meeting for the matter of the  
 Claytonia line is to be held the  
 afternoon of Jan 31 - 48 at the Elevator  
 meeting seconded by Mina Herdis.

Motion was by Mina Herdis  
 to keep the <sup>same</sup> operators at the  
 same way. Seconded by  
 John Schmagler.

Motion made to keep the  
 same trouble shorter. At Equal  
 motion carried by the hour.

Motion made John Schmagler to  
 have the fee at .80 the motion  
 was seconded by Mina Herdis  
 Motion was carried.

Election of Officers  
 Motion was made by Clara Himm  
 and seconded by John Schmagler that  
 all officers secure themselves to office  
 for another year. Motion was  
 carried.  
 motion was made to adjourn.  
 say. Fred Block

Special meeting Jan 31-48  
 In regards to the switching and  
 the Ottaumia Line  
 Roll Call

Line 1+2 = J. Plumbank  
 Ted Gudhamer  
 Elvir Sullivan  
 3 Geo Miller  
 4+5 Henry Speth  
 Ed Shonico  
 Clarence Gurnoise  
 6+8 Dale Shoeninger  
 - Fred Block  
 7 Louie Neuman  
 Ed Neuman  
 9 Wm Brent  
 30 " "  
 City Hallam John Ripper  
 John Schmazel

Motion made by Fred Block  
 Nominate Henry Speth as treasure  
 Second by John Schmazel  
 Motion made to close nomination  
 Henry Speth was elected by acclamation  
 Motion made by Fred Block to adjourn  
 Second by Jerry Plumbank  
 Motion Carried  
 Fred Block

Special meeting Call for Geo Keller <sup>171</sup>  
to rebuild his fire

Special meeting Nov 17-1948  
Roll call.

- 1-2 Alvin Sullivan & Herman Schwamiger
- 3 Ben Alton, Alvin Arnsperg & Bill Ottom
- 4-5 Ed Schornicko, Henry Spith, Clarence Chert  
Clarence Genselman
- 6-8 Harry Haas, Dale Shumery  
and Bloch
- 7 Dick Brunko, Geo Keller, Ed Mann  
City Helms, John Schmazal, M. more Roche, Jim Papp  
Tom Luckhart.
- 9 Victor Schwaminger, Earl Paddish  
Orvin Payhart

Hallam News Jan 8-1949

The Hallam South Board meeting was called to order by the President Arthur Eckel. Reading of the minutes of last meeting report of Secretary read and approved roll call

1)	Alvin Sullivan
2)	Ed Craghamer
3 Star	Geo Spiller
	Fred Schwaminger
4 Farmers	Clarence Dunchman
5 Clayton	Clarence Alberts
6)	Harry Haas
8)	Fred Pohl
7 Olive Branch	Louie Mersman
	Ed Narnan
9 Salt Creek	None Present
30	Not Present Lloyd Zimmerman

City Hall

Floyd Stumpeger  
Wendie Schmitt  
John Dippert

Treasurer report  
was read

Treasurer report  
motion was made

by Paul Miller that the Treasure report be accepted motion carried.

John Schmassal made motion to raise the switching fee to .90 per month. Motion was seconded by Fred Schwaninger. Motion Carried.

Motion made <sup>rephrased</sup> to same operator motion made by Fred Schwaninger and seconded by Harry Haas Motion Carried.

Election of officers of Budget Fred Block Alvin Sullivan. Floyd Stamer Alvin Sullivan was elected by ballot <sup>for President</sup> Sullivan 8 votes Fred Block 4 votes Floyd Stamer 2 votes Fred Block acts as Vice president

Election for Treasure Harry Haas and Henry Spath. Clarence Sreneman Henry Spath was elected by ballot. Spath 6 votes Sreneman 5 votes Harry Haas 4 votes

Election of Secretary. Ted Guadhamer  
Fred Block.

Fred Block was elected by Ballot.

Fred Block 13 Votes Ted Guadhamer  
1 Vote

Motion made by Fred Block  
to adjourn. Second by Alvin  
Sullivan. Motion Carried  
Fred Block Sec.



Hallam Switch Board meeting 175  
Jan 14 - 1950

The Hallam switch Board meeting was called to order by President Alvin Sullivan. Reading of the last minutes. The secretary report was read and approved.

roll Call

1) Evert Lubbo

2) Vitor Sticklmeier

3 none

4) Henry Spath

6) Harry Haas

8) Fred Block

7 Louis Messman

9 Carl Reddish

30 none Loyd Zimmerman

City of  
Hallam

John Rippe

John Schwagerl

over

Treasure report. Treasure report was read. Fred. <sup>Block</sup> made motion to except the treasurers report as read and seconded by John Schmagel

Earl Reddish made motion to have the switch board fees @ .90 cents per month. Motion was seconded by Victor Stricklanier. Motion Carried.

Election of officers.

Election of President

Alvin Sullivan

Alvin Sullivan was elected.

Vice President Lloyd Stinmeyer was elected

Vice President.

Sec. Fred Block was reelected Secretary.

treas Henry Spath was nominated

Everet Luhrs "

Henry Spath was ~~relected~~ elected by vote 8 to 1. One for Everet Luhrs.

Motion made by Harry Haas to adjourn. Motion Carried

Sec. Fred Block

Hallowell Board Meeting  
Jan 13<sup>th</sup> 1951

Floyd Stimminger Vice President  
called meeting to order Admin  
Sullivan was absent. The  
secretary's report was read  
and approved.

roll call

1) Ernst Lukas

2) Victor Stuckmiller

Decl Haas V. President

3) None

4) Henry Spath

5) ... Linn Gerlach President

6) Carl Mathews President

8) Fred Brels

7) Jure Heller

Leo Oltman President

9) Victor Schwaminger

City Hallam } Geo. Saghorn  
Floyd Stimminger

Treasure report. Treasure report was read. Motion was made the treasure report as read Victor Schwainyer made to accept the report seconded by Carl Mathews motion carried

Election of officers  
 nomination for President  
 Joe Heller was nominated  
 Floyd Stimmeyer "  
 Ballots were passed  
 Joe Heller received 5 votes  
 Floyd Stimmeyer received 4 votes  
 Joe Heller was elected President  
 Floyd Stimmeyer was elected Vice President  
 Fred Block was elected Sec. by acclamation

Carl Mathews was nominated for  
 treasurer by Ted Haase  
 Victor Schwainyer was nominated for  
 treasure by Carl Mathews. Motion  
 made to close nominations by Ted  
 Haase

Carl Mathews 6 votes  
 Victor Schwanninger 3 votes  
 Carl was elected treasure

Motion made to ~~leave~~ the  
 switching fee as is which is  
 90 cents per month. Everett  
 Lukas made motion & seconded  
 by Ted Haase. Motion carried.

Fred Block made motion to  
 adjourn seconded by Carl  
 Mathews. Meetings adjourned  
 vs. Fred Block

~~Roll call~~

- ~~1) Hugo with the money~~
- ~~2) Victor Schwanninger~~
- ~~3) None~~
- ~~4) Ted Langhorne~~
- ~~5)~~
- ~~6) Carl Mathews~~
- ~~8) Fred Block~~

# Stock Holders of Farmers

## Stock Holders on Line 1

J H Alberts  
 H Boller  
 E C Chapelow  
 Hallam State Bank  
 W Burk  
 John Burk  
 J Englebarh  
 Peter Gansamer  
 Mrs A Gerdes  
 Heinen  
 Mrs Chas Brull  
 W J Kovarik Res  
 H Messman  
 J J Meyer  
 Geo Nanner  
 W C Newman  
 D Prange  
 John Pottoff  
 G Rippen  
 Jos Roche Res  
 Jos Roche Store  
 A Rolfsmeier  
 Fred Schneider Sen  
 Henry Schneider

\* Hallam Feb- Ex

R. Schneider  
 John Schwarty  
 Chas Lotan  
 Dr Temple  
 Geo Van Busch  
 Henry Wenz Store  
 Henry Wenz Res.

Stock Holders on Private Lines

Kovarick's Drug Store  
 H A Flaker Store  
 Schwarty Elevator

## Stock Holders

Stock Holders on Line 2	
✓ J. Alberts	3
✓ A. L. Adthelm	4 Ebbens Estate
✓ Edwin Adthelm	5
✓ John Ebbers	6
✓ E. E. Effeldt	7
✓ Otto Effeldt	8
✓ Geo Geisler	9
✓ John Helblink	10
✓ John Huesinkfelt	11
✓ Philipp Haas	12
✓ Chris Keller	13
✓ Ed Lauterbach	14
✓ John Leonhardt	15
✓ W. Leonhardt	16
✓ G. Nannen	17
✓ John Pietsenpol	18
✓ Fred Pietsenpol	19
✓ E. Schieder	20
✓ Wm. Sothan	20
✓ Jake Schwaninger	21
✓ A. Schuake	22
✓ Chas Schuake	23
✓ John Tangeman	23
✓ Will Thilen	24
✓ Sothan Bro	25



Continued

Stock Holders on Line 3  
August Albers  
Harry Alberts  
Chas Burk  
Philip Brush  
John Brush  
Jesse Balderson  
Jamey Canthers  
A Gansmer  
Wm Gansmer  
Oscar Hoffman  
Henry Messman  
A Oltman  
Dick Oltman  
Will Oltman  
Fred Rolfs  
J Rademaker  
E Schuapinger  
David Sherwood  
Walter Sherwood  
Wm Wagoner  
Will Busch

## Stock Holders

Stock Holders on Line 4  
 Herman Alberts & John Bogal  
 John Bloome  
 U. B. Cassten  
 Frank Efeld & Clause Grensman  
 W. Glebe  
 Philip Gerdes  
 August Garlack  
 Harry Hersman  
 Jake Grensman  
 Fred Krauter  
 R. J. Ottman  
 Chas Smith  
 August Smith  
 Gerard Smith  
 Will Schoenaman  
 Will Schernican  
 Henry Heller

Continued

Stock Holders on Line 5-

Arnold Albers

Frank R. Hoffstead

Julius Haupt

Paul Miller

H. Pfifer

Herman Nannen

John Sagehorn

Will Witouseck

## Stock Holders

Stock Holders on Line 7  
John Brunken Sen  
John F. Brunken  
John Busch  
Dick Braaf  
John Braaf  
Gus Garlach  
Fred Riene  
Messman Bros  
H. Mahlman  
Justus Neighfar  
John Reutforth  
Geo Seiferline  
Fred Brunken

Continued

Stock Holders on Line 8

Henry Cramer

Dick Cramer

G. Cashen

H. Davis

Mina Gerdes

August Heidecker

Adolph Heidecker

Peter Kurtzen

Jacob Lahn, Junr

M. Lantzbach

Henry Meyer

Ed. Mussman

Dick Mahlman

Will Mahlman

John Rippen

Fred Rippen

Will Schmieder

Chas Severin

Chris Severin

J. Schwaninger

Oscar Steile

Rolph Wenting

## Stock Holders

## Stock Holders on Line 9

Dick Asselm  
Henry Busck  
W Gress  
Peter Gloc Jr  
John Geistlinger  
H Stoman  
H Weilage  
John Werger  
James Wells

①  
Total number of Stock Holders  
in the year beginning in the  
first Saturday in February 1911  
holding one share worth \$5.00  
Number of Stockholders 150.

In 1946 Stockholders are 166

Nov 8. 191

# Hallam Tels

Nov. 8 - 30

A meeting of the delegates of the different telephone companies was called to order by Geo Miller Pres. of the Farmers & Hallam Exchange for the purpose of discussing rebuilding lines from corner east of Hallam to rail road tracks

Motion made by Ted Haas Second by Joe Korbel that we rebuild the line from the corner east of Hallam to the rail road tracks motion carried

Motion made by Wm Burt and Second by Wm Wiege that chairman appoint a committee to go a head and have full power to rebuild the line motion carried

Line #2 Guy Hillblink

" 3 Mat Hale

" 6 } Ted Haas

8 }  
9. Dick Austin

Hallam T. Co. Joe Korbel.

Motion made by Ben Corsten + 2nd by Wm Burt that we adjourn carried

W. Schwaninger Sec.



Hallam Neb  
Jan 13-31

The delegates of the lines interested in the lines running east out of Hallam meet to figure up the expense and pay their share on the reconstruction of the line to the corner  $\frac{1}{2}$  mile east of Hallam

Which is as follows Bills

John Pathoff	6 15	
Line 1+2	85 69	
Hallam & C Co	24 10	
Crete Tel Co	3 65	
.....	8 55	630 for other 4 lines
	127 54	

Due from Lines 7 51 for each wire

Salt creek	7 51	1 wire
Martell	7 51	1 wire
Line 1+2	30 64	4 wires
Cottland	7 51	1 ..
678	30 64	4 ..
Star	15 02	2 ..
Hallam	30 64	4 .. approx

A. G. Schwaringer

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Dam Mill. Sept 23. 31

The officers of the Farmers +  
Hallam Tele. Co. met at the Seng  
Hud. Store for the purpose of  
buying a gas stove. Meeting was  
called to order by J. Sagonhus.

The motion to buy the stove  
recommended by Seng Hud. Co. was made  
by M. A. Gerdes 2nd by Wm Burk - carried

The price being 50.00 plus extra pipe  
Motion by M. A. Gerdes 2nd by  
Schwaninger that Burk + Kibel see  
about locating stove + gas meter. carried

We also authorized Wm Burk Treas.  
to sign up for gas

Motion to adjourn carried

A. G. Schwaninger  
Sec.

Board meeting 1955

Hallam Neb Sept 1952

The officers of the Farmers + Hallam  
tele. co met for the purpose of  
buying a stove for the central office

The meeting was called to order

by John Gagehan the Pres.

after discussing the matter the motion  
was made by Wm. Burk + 2nd by M. A. Gerdner  
to install a gas stove carried.

Motion made by Wm Burk + 2nd by  
M. A. Gerdner to have Senge Hurd Co  
to investigate price of stove + installing

Motion to adjourn at convene again  
at the call of the Sec. was carried

We adjourned  
A. S. Schwaninger  
Sec.

## treasure report

Motion made by Earl Mathews  
to raise operators wages \$25<sup>00</sup> per mo.  
Motion was seconded by Ted Saylor  
Voted and Carried.

Motion made to lower the Switching  
fee 10¢ per month to .80 per month  
motion was seconded by Allan L. Schwartz  
Voted and Carried.

Motion made to raise the Treasury  
fee 10<sup>00</sup> which <sup>will</sup> be 30<sup>00</sup> per year  
Motion made by Hayworth Theanmyer  
seconded by Victor Strickmeyer  
Voted and Carried.

## Election of officers

## Election of President

Lloyd Stenmeyer nominated for President  
by Fred Bloch, seconded by Ted Saylor  
John Vannier nominated by Earl Mathews  
seconded by Hayworth Theanmyer  
motion made by Hayworth Theanmyer  
that Hugh Voth would be President and  
seconded Theight Vice President,

	Votes
Floyd Stienmeyer	444
John Vanier	1111

Floyd Stienmeyer was elected President  
and John Vanier became Vice President

Fuel Block was voted on by acclamation  
voted and Carried  
Motion made that Carl Mathews  
was elected by acclamation  
voted and Carried.

which  
was  
2000

Motion made by Alvin Curman  
that each legal Delegate be  
paid \$1.00 for attending the  
annual switch board meeting  
starting Jan 1st 1953. Seconded  
by John Rippen  
Voted and Carried

Motion made to a woman by  
Allen Luchhart seconded by  
Alvin Curman

Second  
to  
Vern Stienmeyer

Sec. Fuel Block  
Pres Floyd Stienmeyer

## Hullam Switch Board meeting

Jan 10 - 1953

President Floyd Stummeyer called meeting to order.  
Sec. read last meeting. Agreed as read.

## Roll Call

Home 3 Bill Altman  
3 Delmar Altman

9 Victor Schwanger  
9 Carl Reddish

1 } Hayworth Shearmer  
2 } Victor Stuckmeyer  
Bill Bomer

6 } Fred Block

7 } 8 } Carl Mathews  
Harry Hoas

4 Art Whitting

City } John Schmezel  
Hullam } Mowse Price  
Floyd Stummeyer  
9 } Harold Mesomer

Treasurer report Earl Mathews

Motion made to accept the treasurer report as read. Motion voted and carried.

Money on hand of treasurer  
\$381.09 ~~00~~ hand of treasurer

General Business

Motion made to raise fee to .90¢ per month by Earl Mathews second by Victor Schwanninger

Motion voted on and carried.

Election of officers

Move Roche <sup>Wells</sup> motion to suspend rule and select all officers by acclamation seconded by Hayward Shasmye called unanimous

Motion made to adjourn by John Schmeizil seconded by Art Whitting. Motion carried  
The End Block

Holland Switch Board meeting  
 Jan 16 - 1954

President Floyd Stimmerger  
 called meeting to order at  
 2.15 minutes were read and  
 approved

Roll call

Line 3 none

Line 4 Art Whitting

{ 1 Raymond Shwaniger  
 2 Hayworth Shwaniger  
 3 Wayner

{ 6 Andy Bames  
 8 Fred Block

7 Harold Messman

City Floyd Stimmerger  
 Holland John Rippen

5 Earl Matthews

9 Ervin Rayhous



Treasure report read  
Motion made to accept the treasure  
report as read. Motion made and  
carried. money on hand of  
the treasure. \$231.52

General business

Andy Benes made motion  
to modernize the central office  
to a stall + wash sink  
motion seconded by Hayworth. Motion carried  
Even send made an estimate of  
about \$350.00 seconded by Hayworth  
Theasneyer. Motion Carried.  
and Floyd Stienmeyer and Fred Block  
were nominated to over see improve-  
ments at central office.

Motion was made to raise the  
switching fee to \$1.25 per month  
motion ~~was~~ carried.

Motion made to suspend the <sup>year</sup>  
rules and all officers are selected by  
acclamation. Motion carried.

Motion made to adjourn by Wagener  
seconded by Hayworth. Theasneyer. Motion Carried  
sic. Fred Block

Jan 8-55

President Floyd Stimmerger  
 Call meeting to order at 2:20  
 minutes were read and approved

Roll call

Line

1 } Wagner

3 Delmar Ottman

4 Art Whitting  
Erwin Schornickow

5 none

6 Andy Berus

8 Earl Polak

7 none

9 none

City of } Floyd Stimmerger  
 Hallam } John Schornickow

Treasurer report read by Floyd Steinhilber  
 Motion made and seconded to  
 accept the treasurer report as read  
 motion made and carried  
 Treasurer report Balance 89.80  
 note owing bank \$309.00 ✓

General business  
~~Motion made by Fred Block to leave  
 the switchboard fee of \$125 per month,  
 same as last year, seconded by  
 Wagner, motion made and  
 carried.~~

Motion made to raise the Ins on  
 the building and equipment to  
 from 1500.00 to 2500.00 by Wagner  
 seconded by Randy Penes  
 Motion carried.

All Improvements were paid  
 by company except Hot Water  
 heater and Shower bath which  
 are the property of Mr & Mrs  
 Sing.

Hot  
 water  
 heater

over

by Fred Block  
 motion made to leave  
 farm and residence phones  
 same as last year \$1.25 per month  
 switching fee. ~~and~~ business  
 phones be raised to \$1.50 for switching  
 and an additional fee of .75 per mo.  
 for <sup>each</sup> extension phone. Approved by  
 Wagners. Motion Carried.

Motion made to suspend the  
 rules and all officers elected for  
 1 year by acclamation.  
 Motion Carried

Motion made to go over by  
 Ervin, Schoukhan defended by Art  
 Whitting. Motion Carried  
 Fred Block

Jan 14 - 1956

Meeting called to order by President Floyd  
Stimmer @ 2.15  
Roll call

1) Ray Schwanger  
2) Wagner

3 none

4) Art Whitting  
5) Clarence Gredemann  
Carl Matthews

6) Ray Severin  
8) Andy Barnes  
Fred Blake

7 Harold Messman

9) Winton Schwanger  
Ralph Prebe  
Erwin Rayhorst

City  
Holland } Carl Schwanger  
Jerry  
Schwager

Secy. Report read and approved.

Treasurer report read and motion  
made to except the report as read  
~~motion to except~~, motion carried

Motion made by Victor Schwaminger  
to enforce the assessments of  
1955 Dues. in accordance of last  
year on page 50 of secy  
book year 1912. Motion seconded  
by Ralph Prebe. Motion carried.

Motion made and seconded that  
we leave the <sup>dues</sup> same as last year.  
1955 - Motion carried.

Nominations were in order

~~Nominations were in order~~  
Raymond Severin, Victor Schwaminger were  
nominated for President.

Motion made by Art Whithney second  
Rich Be elected Vice President.

## Votes

Victor Schwaninger - TTTT IIII  
 Ray Severin - II

Victor Schwaninger was elected President  
 and Ray Severin vice President

Nominations for ~~President~~ <sup>Treasurer</sup> were in  
 order.

Floyd Steinmier Andy Benes  
 E. H. Lahm were nominated  
 for treasurer.

Nomination re closed second & carried

## Votes

Floyd Steinmier - TTTT IIII  
 Andy Benes III  
 E. H. Lahm 0

Floyd Steinmier was elected Treasurer

Motion made by Clarence Greenman  
 to close nominations and elect Fred  
 Bork by acclamation

Motion made and seconded  
to raise the Treasurers wages  
\$10.<sup>00</sup> or to \$40.<sup>00</sup> year. Motion  
Carried.

Motion made to adjourn  
- motion Carried  
- End Block Secy



Jan 12 - 1957

Meeting was called to order by  
President Victor Schwaminger  
at Hallam Auditorium @ 1.30

First we had roll call

There were present from Line  
Line 1 and 2 - 8 Present

" 3 - 5 "

" 4 " 5 - 4 "

" 6 " 8 - 6 "

" 7 - 1 "

" 9 - 2 "

Hallam City Line 16

Next the Secy report was read  
and accepted as read.

The next item was the treasurers  
report. which was read and  
accepted as read.

The Hallam Telephone Co Volunteed  
to pay last <sup>two</sup> years extra access-  
ment of \$100<sup>00</sup> for 1955 and \$100<sup>00</sup>  
for 1956 for unfinished of  
the past two years.

Floyd Stenmeyer made a motion to accept this \$200.00 in full payment of questioned dues of 1955-1956. Motion was seconded by Everett Lubbo. Motion carried all votes.

New Business of Changing to dial.

It was finally voted, not to enter into the dial system with the neighboring towns or with the R. E. A.

Clarence Gensman made motion to leave lines as are for the present and elect a committee to investigate possibility of a consolidation of all lines. seconded by Art. Wietting. This motion carried.

Wilson made motion one man from each line to make up the committee.

for Consolidation of the lines  
into one large Co., seconded  
by Jerry Plumberk  
Motion Carried.

Fred Block made motion  
to let the Hellam telephone co.  
set the difference for additional  
charge on business and exterior  
phones above regular rates and  
turn extra charges to the Switch  
board treasure, seconded by Henry  
Speth. Motion Carried.

Motion made by Floyd Stummeyer  
to leave the switching fee at \$1.25 per  
month, seconded by Will Altman  
Motion Carried

Nomination in order for all officers,  
all officers were selected by acclamation  
This motion was made by Fred Schwainger  
Seconded by Clarence Grenaman

motion made to

adjourn

Fred Block Secy

Jan 11 - 1958

President Raymond Severin  
 called meeting to order at 2:30  
 Roll call

Line 6-8	{ Raymond Severin Fred Block Andy Benes
Line 3	{ Bill Altman Homer Schwanger
Line 1-2	{ Carl Schramm Ted Haas
Line 9	{ Ervin Rayhorst Ralph Prebe
Hallowline	{ Everett Smitter Floyd Stienmeyer

Sec. report.

Report was read and accepted.

Treasure Report

Treasure Report was read.

Motion made by Ralph Prebe to accept  
 the report. Seconded by Homer Schwanger

Old Business

It was discussed that the Hallow  
 telephone to clear up the

Motion made by Fred Block  
of the difference of the charges  
made in the meeting of Jan  
12 - 1957

Everett Smitter made a motion  
that the Delegates of this meeting  
express their favor for the plans  
submitted by the Lincoln Telephone  
Co which includes the extended  
service to Lincoln.

Ed Haas seconded the motion  
A vote was ~~then~~ taken.

The vote was 9 to 1 in favor  
of Lincoln extended service

Bill Olman made a motion that  
we reduce the switching fee to  
\$1.10 per month. seconded by  
Floyd Stimmeyer  
motion carried

Election of officers

Andy Denis was nominated  
for President

Homer Schwaringer was nominated

Votes Homer Schwaminger = 114. "  
 Andy Benes = 111.  
 Homer Schwaminger was elected President  
 Andy Benes was elected Vice President

Ted Haas made motion to keep  
 Treasurer & Secy for another year  
 Seconded by Ralph Prebe.  
 Motion Carried

motion made to adj.  
 motion carried

Fred Block Secy

## Special Meeting

June 13 - 1958

For the purpose of selling to  
Lincoln Tele. and other business

Meeting was called to order by the  
President. Homer Schwaininger

Ed Haas made a motion  
to give every subscriber \$50.00. That  
Lincoln tele pays \$50.00 for.  
This motion was seconded by  
Bill Altman. The motion carried

Loyal Stimmeyer made a  
motion that we all return our  
copies of the agreements to be signed  
here by the 25th of June. Seconded  
by Ralph Priel. motion carried

Ralph Priel made motion to  
Adjourn. Ed Haas seconded the  
motion. motion carried  
Adjournment in order  
Dud Blakesley

## Special meeting

June 25 - 1958

For the counting of the agreement  
signatures for the sale of the lines

Farmer telephone co of Claytown

no of signators = 11 Present sub.  
1 New "

Farmer tele co of Hallams

no of signators = 19 Present sub.

Star tele co of

no of signators = 8 Present sub.  
1 New

Olive Branch teleco

no of signators = 7 Present sub.  
1 none signator

Salt Creek teleco

no of signators = 5 Present sub.

Buda tele co

no of signators = 7 Present sub.  
1 none signers  
2 Possible



Hallam Feb 10 of Hallam  
 No of signators = 77 Present Abs.  
 2 none signators

Signators to date in favor of  
 going to Lincoln Feb. 133  
 none signators 10

Ralph Priebe made motion  
 that Hallam switch board  
 officers except the "Concert  
 and Authorization" papers  
 for presentation to the  
 attorney of the Hallam Company  
 seconded by Geo Severin  
 motion carried.

Ralph Priebe made motion to  
 grain seconded by Geo  
 Severin  
 motion carried  
 Fred Block

218 Special Meeting July 21-1958

Meeting was called to order by  
President Homer Schwanger  
for the purpose of discussing the  
3 hold outs. one on line 13.  
2 on the City of Hallam line.

Roll call.

Line 9.	Ervin Rahret
" 3	Homer Schwanger
" 142	Wm Elmer
" 4+5	Fred Haase
" 7	Clarence Swanson
" 8	Emory Norman
	Loren Schwanger
	Fred Block
City Hallam	Floyd Stummeyer
	Ernest Suetter
	Geo Asghar Swain
	Edwin Schneider

Loren Schwanger made motion  
to contact an attorney that the board  
be Empowered to take what ever steps  
are necessary to complete the sale of  
the Farmers and Hallam telephone  
exchange to the Lincoln telephone Co  
including line companies.  
Motion was seconded by Geo Swain.

The vote was unanimous.

Other Business

Loren Ashwanger informed us that the release for line 6 - was completed and signed by all.

7 members and District Capital Telephone exchange

Ed. Haase made a motion to adjourn seconded by Clarence Ghusman.

Amy Fred Block

## Special Meeting

Aug 24 - 1959

meeting was to order by President  
 Homer Schoeninger for the purpose  
 of collecting some cash to pay operator  
 Tom Elder made motion to go  
 with Booster Club & artillery to give  
 Jess a farwell party in company  
 with them motion seconded by Horn  
 motion carried.

Tom Elder made motion  
 Homer Schoeninger appoint a committee  
 to meet with Booster & artillery  
 Motion Carried

Motion made by Horn to let  
 committee set date for party  
 Motion Carried

Horn made motion to give about  
 50<sup>00</sup> for a gift seconded by Horn  
 Verlack. Motion Carried

Entertainment Comm.  
 Clarence Albert President Iret & Isbell  
 Floyd & Irene. set Date

Gift Committee. Linn & Dorothy  
 Velma Edwin Delmer & Mrs Oltman  
 Refreshment Committee

~~Mrs. Paerwell~~ Mrs. Elder Mrs. Geo. Severin  
 Virginia & Ella  
 Mrs. ~~Paerwell~~ Messinger Mrs. Tom Elder  
 Mrs. Hayworth Theaningsels Ruby Pennell

Motion made by Clarence Gussman  
the board be given the authority to pay  
the money in escrow to each line trustee  
Seconded by Floyd Steinmeyer

Motion carried  
Jim Elder made motion to adjourn  
motion carried

Fred Block

Special meeting Mar 7-1960  
and last meeting

It was called to order by officers  
of the Hallam Switch Board for  
the purpose of Dissolving the corpo-  
ration for the Hallam Switch  
Board Company.

Roll Call

Hallam Tele Co	Ed. Schneider
Farmer Clotonia	Leinn Herb Reed Corsten
Star Tele	Delmer Oltnum Bill Oltnum
Olive Brand Tele	Tom Elder
Buda Center	Norm Schwaminger Fred Block
Farmer Hallam	Hayworth Leasmeyer
Salt Creek	none

Tom Elder made motion to Dissolve  
the corporation. The Farmers & Hallam  
Telephone exchange according to Law  
Chapter 21, Section, 323 of the  
revised Statute of Neb. Nov 1943  
"and not pay any further dues"

Norm Schwaminger seconded  
the motion. Vote was unanimous  
motion made by Hayworth Leas-  
meyer to Dissolve the balance of the  
money according to the way it.

~~Carroll's~~ was paid in to the  
switch board in 1959. Seconded  
by Linn Gerlock

Motion carried

Vote was unanimous

Rover made a motion to adjourn  
seconded by Tom Eldred

Motion carried

Fred Block