The end of an era

Beulah Collins was the last switchboard operator in Beachburg before her duties ended when the system went to dial in 1961.

Reeve Harry Bromley of Westmeath Township made the first dial call in the NRTC system in 1957.

Ed Foster, left, was president of the NRTCO board from 1957 until his unexpected death in 1974. Conversion to dial was achieved during his time in office.