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If it is not sacrilegious to paraphrase the Bible we might say "spare the example and spoil the child." It is claimed that people are losing ability to walk, but anyway they have to use one foot to step on the gas.

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PUBLIC SERVICE CO.
TO SPEND HUGE SUM
Nine Millions of Dollars to Be Cost of Additional Equipment

At the annual meeting of the company employees held at the Hamilton club Chicago, President Insull announced that the Public Service company, in order to take care of business offered, would install 55,000 kilowatts of new generating apparatus in 1923 of which 25,000 kilowatts would be in the company's new station at Waukegan and 30,000 at the plant at Joliet. The expenditures for this machinery will amount to about \$5,000,000. The new transmission lines, service connections and the thousand and one improvements necessary to distribute this additional energy will cost upward of \$4,000,000. So the new investments in plant property which will be authorized will aggregate \$9,000,000. Dedicating the cost of work that will be unfinished at the end of the year, at least \$5,000,000 will be expended by the company for these purposes in 1923.

The beginning of the Public Service company was an electric plant at Highland Park, Illinois, purchased in 1900. Its gross income was about \$50,000. It represented an investment of hardly \$200,000. That small beginning has grown into a business of \$14,000,000 annually. The Public Service company's assets have raised to \$73,000,000 having advanced to that figure from \$49,000,000 since 1914.

In 1914 to produce electrical energy required 3.8 pounds of coal per kilowatt hour. In 1912 the quantity was 6 pounds. In 1922 the same result was achieved with 2.38 pounds. The saving made in coal between the years 1912 and into 1922 amounts to 6,000,000 tons.

VAST FINANCIAL OUTLAY PLANNED BY ILLINOIS BELL TELEPHONE CO.

Bell System in State Spent \$18,000,000 in 1922 for New Construction. Expects to Spend \$100,000,000 in Next Five Years

By W. F. ABBOTT
President, Illinois Bell Telephone Company

During 1922 the Illinois Bell Telephone Company spent in the territory served by it approximately \$18,000,000 for new construction.

Nearly \$100,000,000 will be spent by the company in the next five years, to provide additional facilities in the company's territory.

Approximately 54,000 telephone stations were added to the Bell system in the state of Illinois during 1922.

The gain in telephone stations in the city of Chicago alone was about 32,000. At the end of the year the company was giving service to approximately 637,500 telephones within the city of Chicago.

With this increase in the number of stations there was a corresponding increase in operating expense, due to increased personnel and other charges which naturally follow the company's additional service.

Service Steadily Improves.

There has been a continuing improvement of our service. The improvement in employment conditions has enabled us to choose more carefully our operating employees, and this has had its good effect on our service.

This company was one of the pioneers in Safety First and Accident Prevention work. We now maintain a regular department devoted to a study of methods of safety and the education of our employees in safe methods of performing their work and regulating their daily actions. The results obtained have been very gratifying and will be surprising to many persons. In the year 1917 the company employed 15,477 persons. During that year telephone employees suffered 587 accidents, which caused them to lose time from their work. This record does not include minor accidents, which showed no lost time. The total number of days lost by employees for that year was 7,159 and the number of lost-time accidents, per one hundred employees, was 3.81. In 1922 the company had an average of 22,299 employees. Up to November 30, there had been 306 lost-time accidents with a total of 2,290 days lost. This was at the rate of only 1.44 accidents per one hundred employees.

This record has been made by the employees themselves, who have co-operated most willingly and intelligently with the management in its effort to minimize accidents. It has been said that accidents will happen, but our experience shows that they may be reduced by intelligent effort and the willingness of all concerned. We have good reason to hope that the number of accidents will be still further reduced as time goes on.

True Public Ownership.

The Bell System represents public ownership of utilities in its best sense. There are more stockholders in the Bell System than in any other corporation. During last year more than 22,000 shares of American Telephone and Telegraph Company stock were sold to the public of Illinois. The American Telephone and Telegraph Company has more than 225,000 stockholders, of whom 45,000 are telephone employees. In addition, there are about 100,000 employees buying stock on the partial payment plan.

During the year the whole world was saddened by the death of Dr. Alexander Graham Bell, inventor of the telephone, whose death took place in Nova Scotia, August 2. Dr. Bell was unique among inventors in that he lived to see the results of his invention spread over the world. In 1876 there was one telephone—that which the inventor and his young assistant had made with their own hands. At the end of 1922 there were in the world more than 21,000,000 telephones in service, of which about sixty-four per cent were in the United States.

Employees Assisted.

During 1922 the Employees' Association suggested a routine whereby every employee in any department becomes a representative of the company with the public. Employees carry with them a small printed blank, pink in color. When an employee, in conversation with a telephone user, learns of any criticism or failure of the service, he reports it on this blank, which goes immediately to the proper department and steps are at once taken to remedy the matter.

Big January Clearance Sale Now in Full Swing

This is the season of bargains, the time for the wise purchaser to take advantage of the slashing pre-inventory reductions we are making in all lines. Large stocks of ladies ready-to-wear, men's furnishings and other lines, all of the best material and latest styles have been dumped into this big clearance sale regardless of cost. It is your opportunity to get the best merchandise at a great saving. See our stocks early before they are depleted and get the best selections. The prices are un-beatable.

COAT PRICES CUT
Ladies' Winter Coats, the season's best offerings in best materials and workmanship, reduced to unheard-of prices.
Coats that until now have been selling for \$42.50, splendid values in popular materials and shades. Clearance sale price,
\$29.50
Coats of fine material, wanted colors and handsomely made, that sold heretofore for \$37.50, you can have at this clearance sale for
\$24.50
Coats that sold in December for \$29.75, marked down for this January clearance sale to
\$19.50

BIG SAVING ON DRESSES
Splendid values in charming dresses of Poir-et Twill, Canton Crepe and other popular fabrics, good-looking, finely made and of varying shades. Notable bargains at the prices we quote:
Dresses that have been selling until now at \$39.50, priced to sell in this January sale at
\$24.75
Dresses formerly selling at \$29.75, specially priced for this clearance sale at
\$17.50
Dresses which sold in December for \$22.50, reduced for this clearance sale to
\$14.95

REMNAINT SALE
Remnants of Challies, Gingham, Percale, Cretonne, Curtain Goods, Oil Cloth, Woollen Goods and Outing Flannels at prices greatly reduced for this sale.

Breakfast Robes
Unequaled values in those popular corduroy Breakfast Robes, in Copen Blue, Rose and Purple shades. You'll want one of these charming garments. Special price for this clearance sale,
\$3.95

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