

**GREENWOOD NEWS**

Grace Young, Reporter

Another link with the past was severed at midnight Sunday when Greenwood was switched to Dial Phones August 1st. The Telephone Company voted to sell to the Iroquois Telephone Company at a Special Meeting June 29, 1965. Mrs. Blanche Wallace has served as Central Operator for 34 years beginning on a hand cranked switch board, replaced about 1940 with a Stromberg-Carlson Electric Board. Mrs. Wallace will continue to work for the new company for a short time as collector and trouble shooter. She has been a capable operator, getting the messages delivered if possible through neighbors, and her efficiency will be greatly missed. The Volunteer Firemen appreciated her service in their behalf and gave her a tribute. She could recognize voices throughout the area and when an excited householder called for help she could direct the men to the right place and find out the special need.

The telephone came to Greenwood about 70 years ago. The Bell Telephone line followed the N. Y. and P. Railroad from Canistota to Whitesville. Merrell Smith installed the first phone in his Hardware and it was used by everyone. A Bell line was strung to the home of the late Emily Barney, where her father was Postmaster of West Union. Gordon Pease ran a line to town from Andover. The first company was called the Farmers Mutual Telephone Company. Stock was subscribed by Art Woodward, Henry Young, Will Rollins and maybe some others with farmers members by giving labor. Hiram Burger had worked on the Bell Telephone line and Harmon Waters, T. N. Blair, Ben Burger, Monroe Tyler and Elias Heliker. Eight lines were built in and around Greenwood and Rexville.

Lena Cheesman was the first Central Girl working 12 to 15 years. Myra Scribner, Lorella Terbury Woodward, Ruth Sweet Werkley and Daisy Terbury were short time operators and Lena Young Turner served 11 years, 1916 - 1927. The early telephone was a great novelty and the lines were often tied up by neighbors visiting.

Harmon Waters maintained his lines until he had to retire and sold the phones to Harrison Telephone Company of Alfred about 1951. His company is now the Iroquois Telephone.

Rexville had its own Telephone Office until Mrs. Winifred Cole resigned in the late 40's and the office was transferred to Greenwood. As some lines were out, the patrons gradually went on Dial.

Mrs. Wallace had over 200 phones and was on call 24 hours a day. She gave many services not required because she liked people and wanted to help her community.

Miss Alice Stewart of Bath, RFD, was guest of her cousins, Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Redmond Tuesday to Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Dean Kilbourn of Olean spent the week-end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Murray, Sr.

About twenty neighbors and

friends gave Mr. and Mrs. Clinton York a honning 'bee and house warming to welcome them to their new home Saturday night.

The Electric Company is stringing new wire on the main line from Canistota through Town. It was first installed in 1939.

Mr. and Mrs. Harland Waters are taking a month for a vacation trip with their travel trailer. Christine's Beauty Shop is closed August 1 - 26, to re-open Aug. 29.

Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Fuller and family are on a trip to California and Dorothy's Beauty Shop is closed.

Mr. and Mrs. Clair Kernan and Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Wood of Jasper went to New Jersey last week-end where they attended the Graduation of Pvt. Sheldon Kernan from Fort Dix Basic Training in a Class of 63 men. Sheldon returned home with them for two weeks.

Mrs. Edward Sewell of Albany spent last week with her daughter, Mr. and Mrs. James Merry and son. Mr. Sewell came for the week-end and took her home Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. John Tropman and daughter, Alice of Raleigh, N. C. came Monday to spend a week with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. William McDonough. They spent Wednesday at Belmont with her sister, Mr. and Mrs. Dan Canty.

Mrs. Grover Woodworth, Sr. received word Friday of the death of her son-in-law, Jake Frank near Salamanca. He was the husband of her youngest daughter, Lida, and also left several children. Charles Woodworth of Canistota took his mother to Salamanca Monday for the funeral.

Miss Jennie Waters of Hornell fell at her home last week and broke her hip and is a patient at the Bethesda Hospital. Her father, Perk Waters, who was living with her, was taken to Andover to the home of his son, Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Waters.

Mr. and Mr. Harland Knight of Jacksonville, spent Thursday night with her sister, Miss Grace Young and called on her aunt, Miss Ellen Young at the Harris Nursing Home in Hornell.

Glenn Stephens returned home Wednesday after two weeks at the Bath Veterans Hospital where he was a surgical patient.

Miss Winona Cook of Jasper spent last week with her mother, Mrs. Frank Cook.

Miss Linda Bassett and Leroy Bassett spent the week at the RLDS Church Reunion Camp at Alleghany State Park. Elder and Mrs. Carol Bassett, Carolyn and Becky went Thursday to Saturday.

Miss Cheryl Hussey is taking a vocal lesson at Chautauqua Thursday night. She has 56 instrumental lessons at summer school.

The Booster Night Program and Social Evening for the Recreation

Program will be held Friday night August 5th at the school. The Band will present a concert and ice cream and cake will be sold. It is scheduled for the Parking Lot.

Miss Alexis Brown spent the week-end at Fredonia with her sister, Mr. and Mrs. Darold Coddington and family. Alexis graduated in June as an X-ray Technician from the St. James Mercy Hospital and accepted a position at the Auburn Hospital beginning in August. She goes Wednesday to find an apartment.

Mrs. June Rollins is completing a summer session at Cortland State Teachers College this week.

Mrs. Grace Wallace has not been as well and has spent some time with her sons, Mr. and Mrs. Carroll Wallace and Mr. and Mrs. Linford Wallace.

Mrs. Virgil Hussey entered the St. James Mercy Hospital Wednesday and underwent surgery, Friday.

RM's Robert Bianco arrived recently from Quantanimo, Cuba for a 30-day leave with his wife, Suzanne, being transferred to Rhode Island.

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Gifford of Buffalo spent Friday night with her aunt, Miss Sabrey Stephens and called on her aunt Miss Ellen Young at the Harris Nursing Home in Hornell.

Mr. and Mrs. Nelson Hawkins of Bath spent Tuesday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Murray, Sr. Other members of the family came in the evening to fete Mrs. Hawkins' birthday. Principal and Mrs. Robert Hoagland and sons, Robert and Stanley returned home Wednesday from a week's trip into New England and Cape Cod.

Mrs. Mildred Clark entertained her grandchildren, Mark and Rhonda Bettinger of Canistota several days. Their parent, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Bettinger had a week-end trip to West Virginia.

Mr. and Mrs. John Hunt and family went to West Virginia Friday night to attend the funeral of her grandmother, Mrs. Flynn, Saturday. Sharon Hunt went Thursday with her grandmother, Mrs. Stillman of Hornell.

**Racetrack Rambles Cont.**

had luckily been able to pull up; and Paul Hidek, No. 6's, who around it.

In the Modern Feature, Jim Hakes jumped out into an early lead and was never seriously threatened, with the real battle being for the No. 2 slot. Don Buchanan, No. 11X, drove a beautiful race and held this spot up until

Mrs. Jerry Burd assisted Mrs. Elaine Allen at the Post Office Saturday morning.

Mr. and Mrs. Clinton York and daughters, Betty and Judy finished moving their household goods from Hornell to their new home Thursday.

Mrs. Roger Shelly and family of Elkland, Pa., spent the week-end with her sister, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Druetto and daughters. Sunday Mrs. Shelly attended a reunion of the Class of 1950 at G. C. S. at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Baker in Canistota.

Virgil Hussey was speaker and in charge of the services at the Greenwood Methodist Church Sunday morning. Rev. Roger Williams entered the Jones Memorial Hospital in Wellsville Thursday.

Special music at the Methodist Church in July included solos by Starla Jackson, Charlotte Daggett, Cheryl Hussey and duet by Diane Smith and Joan Spencer.

the last 5 laps when Paul Hidek, finally managed to get by with the boys crossing the finish line in that order.

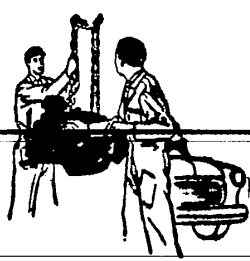
The Sportsman's Feature was a real thrilling battle with Chuck Wright, No. 66, finally taking the lead and managing to hold it despite Dick Bunn's many repeated efforts to pass with his "hot" No. 69 — ending in almost a photo-finish with Dick just about a 1/2 a car length behind at the finish wire.

For a brief re-cap of the afternoon's results: In the Sportsman Class — Chuck Kinnison, No. 91, won the 1st heat; Tuffy Chalmers, No. 218, the 2nd; and Chuck Wright, No. 66, the "Consy". In the Feature, Chuck Wright, No. 66, was 1st, Dick Bunn, No. 69, 2nd; Chuck Kinnison No. 91, 3rd; Tuffy Chalmers, No. 218, 4th; and Wesley Rogers, No. V05, 5th.

In the Modern Class—Jim Plank No. 66, won the 1st heat; Paul Hidek, No. 6's, the 2nd; and Gary Schultz, No. 27, the "Consy". In the Feature, Jim Hakes, No. 04, was 1st; Paul Hidek, No. 6's, 2nd; Don Buchanan, No. 11X, 3rd; Bob Gee, No. 260, 4th; and Basil Shutt, No. 13, 5th.

Canned peach juice made from peaches too ripe for shipping has recently been tested and may become a popular breakfast drink.

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