

TELEPHONE IS HERE

Connection Established
With Cedar Tuesday.

IS TERMINUS FOR PRESENT.

Contracts for Poles Between Here
and St. George Calls for their
Delivery Next February.



"Hello Central, connect me with the
Sun—at Salina."

"Hello Doctor, is that you?"

"What is the latest quotations on
salt?"

The next maps issued by the Bell Telephone Co. will show connections with a few more Utah towns. At noon Tuesday Cedar City was placed in communication with all the principal towns of Utah, Montana, Idaho and other states.

The poles of the company have been erected along the centre of Main street, obstructing the shale grade which had been constructed at a considerable cost.

At a recent adverse criticism was made by the action of the council in

the location of the poles.

In the opinion of the company, the poles have been located eight or ten feet from the geographical centre of the street, with no inconvenience to the company or the city. However, there is no use crying over spilled milk, and we are glad the phone is here.

It is likely that Cedar City will be the southern terminus of the line until February or March of next year, but it is not out of the range of possibilities that work may be recommenced next October. Contracts have been let for the delivery of the poles between Cedar and St. George next February, but it is understood that should the company decide to continue the work this fall and winter, the contractors would gladly furnish the poles this year.

About 30 to 35 men have been employed on the extension from Beaver, and the work has been under the supervision of S. S. Arrowsmith. The cost is reported to have been about \$300 per mile. The poles are all large sturdy-looking fellows, and the cross bars are constructed to receive six wires, although only two will be in use at present. Copper wire of the standard gauge is being used.

Four rings calls up Cedar City and three designates Parowan. Beaver is a switch office where "central" is located. Connection has also been made at Paragonah and Summit.

Only one phone has yet been placed in Cedar, which is the toll phone and is installed in the Cedar City Drug Store. Cedar has been greatly enthused over the arrival of the telephone and the workmen have been constantly "ribbered." Cedar has advanced one more step in the scale of civilization.