

# SCREW MACHINE PRODUCTS CORP. PRODUCT MAILER, CIRCA 1920

An announcement mailer for S-O-P's new 33 station interior service unit. The mailer shows the deskset (candlestick) version and the wall (hotel style) version. Also depicted is the automatic switchboard. The next PDF page shows the original un-retouched cover of the mailer, the stamp is a 1c Washington type II (Scott 498) issued in 1917-1919 and was mailed from Providence RI, however the date is missing from the postmark (a common thing at the time from the Post Office when a large mailing was received).

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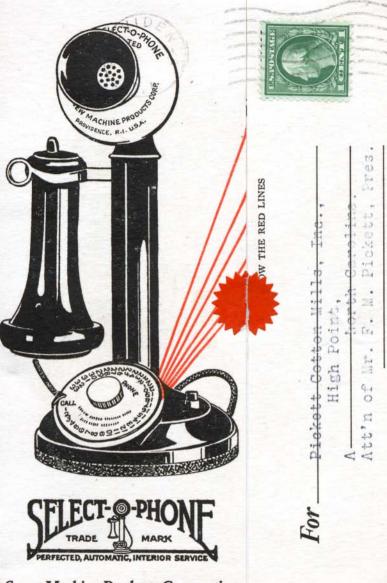






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AFTER years of experimental work and the maintenance of complete systems in actual use, we offer you

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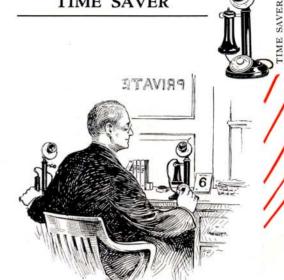
The story of this most economical and efficient tool of modern business is told in the following pages. Every business man will appreciate the following, as a suggestion of the way we developed the Select-O-Phone. We listed every disadvantage of every intercommunicating system. We enumerated every advantage which a perfect system should give. And not until the Select-O-Phone had proven in actual operation that it overcame every disadvantage and possessed every advantage, did we place it on the market.

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SENERAL CALL





### THE SELECT-O-PHONE SAVES THE EXECUTIVE'S TIME

Many of the world's most brilliant Thinkers fall short of being 100% EFFECTIVE Thinkers because they fail to get their thoughts reflected 100% promptly and accurately in the DOING of the work they plan. The Select-O-Phone bridges the gap between Thinker and Doer. It makes action almost as quick as thought. It radiates the personality and spreads the enthusiasm of the Chief Executive—the dynamic core of the entire business machine.



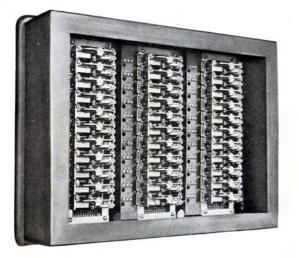


#### **DESK INSTRUMENT**

To operate the Select-O-Phone, but one motion is necessary—that of moving the dial to the number desired.

The connection is automatic when you lift the receiver.





## THE AUTOMATIC SWITCHBOARD

Compact, simple, may be placed inconspicuously upon the wall or hidden from view in a small closet or alcove.

A manual operator can make but one connection at a time—the *Select-O-Phone* will operate all lines at once.

The Select-O-Phone Switchboard is automatic and trouble proof, requiring no supervision. Every inside call goes thru instantly, correctly, entirely independent of the human element.

#### 24-HOUR SERVICE





There is no "off time" for the Select-O-Phone.

It works 24 hours a day.

Your phone operator needs only to attend to outside calls—devoting the time saved by the automatic Select-O-Phone to useful clerical or stenographic work.

You can figure this actual saving at from \$300 to \$360 a year, reckoning besides the advantages of having an automatic service always at your command—night or day.



#### THE GENERAL CALL

NO ADMITTANCE





The man you want is always the one to be away from his department or office, yet he is needed at once. The Select-O-Phone will find him.

No sending of messengers; no waiting for an operator to ring various stations in turn, with the probability of missing the man *between* stations.

Simply turn the Select-O-Phone dial to general call and signal the party wanted. If he's in the plant, the general call will find him.

THE SELECT-O-PHONE FINDS THE PARTY WANTED, WHEN HE IS WANTED, WHEREVER HE IS.

ONFERENCE





#### WALL INSTRUMENT

You may add new stations to your Select-O-Phone systems from time to time; the installations being readily made by your handy man at as small an expense as running push button bell wires.

#### CONFERENCE



# EXPEDITES EXECUTIVE'S DECISIONS

This special feature of the Select-O-Phone makes it possible for you to confer with two or more department heads without waste of your time or theirs.

A special wire gives you this service.

The regular Select-O-Phone call permits no listening at other stations. You have a conference if you want it—otherwise your conversation is as private as the carried on behind closed doors.



THERE ARE DAYS THAT SEEM ALL RUSH WITH NOTHING ACCOMPLISHED.

HAS IT EVER OCCURRED TO YOU?



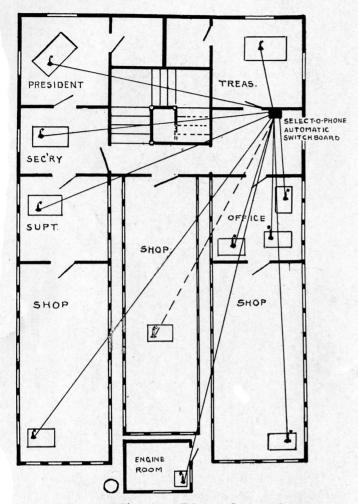


things done in your office

By removing all obstacles to instantaneous word-of-mouth communication between individuals, it becomes a tremendous factor in counteracting shortages in man-power. It discourages the growth of organizational red-tape, makes the transaction of routine business easier and more of a pleasure, invites talking in preference to walking, eliminates nonproductive rush, promotes closer, more responsive co-operation:-gets more and better work done, in less time, and with fewer people.

It achieves results that the manual Telephone, great as it is, has found impossible of accomplishment—by keeping every person within an individual organization in immediate, unhampered, personal touch with every other person.

It not only prevents the congestion, annoyance and loss of patience so frequently caused by having incoming and outgoing calls delayed, because your rented extensions are being used for inside calls, but permits you during city calls to ask anyone in the organization for information which may be had in a few seconds, without breaking or in any way disturbing outside connections:—a powerful influence in creating and holding customers good will.



### Diagram Showing Direct Connections

This working plan shows the principle upon which Select-O-Phone service is founded—the direct connection of each station to the automatic switchboard, a single strand of three twisted wires taking the place of the expensive, complicated multi-wire cables of other systems.

Cable troubles requiring experts to repair are thus eliminated.



NEXT TIME YOU WANT A CERTAIN EMPLOYEE — WANT HIM QUICK — AND HE CAN'T BE LOCATED, MAIL THE ENCLOSED CARD AND LET US SEND OUR SALES ENGINEER TO PLAN A COMPLETE SELECT-O-PHONE SYSTEM FOR YOU.

