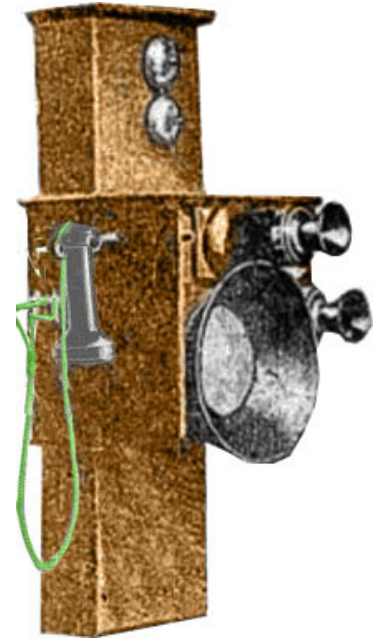


HISTORICAL FACT SHEET Telephone Industry Related Companies



COMPANY American Televue Company

DATE ORGANIZED 1906

WHERE ORGANIZED San Diego, CA

FOUNDER(S) J.B. Fowler, P. Stein, W.H. Holcomb

NATURE OF BUSINESS Not determined

Subsequent names or significant changes resulting from acquisitions, consolidation, sales or bankruptcies:

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REMARKS The company was formed to develop and eventually sell an invention by J.B. Fowler that was stated to be a combination of an ordinary telephone with a lens to transmit an image, in color, or the photo of the person calling. Many ads were placed in newspapers around the country, tickets for demonstrations sold, as well as stocks in the company as it ventured to develop the technology. There were apparantly working demonstration models made according to testimony of B. Holst, a reporter for "The Railway Clerk" on the 1905 Portland Exposition. There is, however, no evidence that the company ever went into production to produce any units for sale.

Source: Electrical Magazine, 1906; Telephony, 1906; Modern Machinery, 1906; Railway Clerk, 1905; Oregon Daily Journal, 1906



 A vintage advertisement for 'TELEVUE'. On the left is a small illustration of a woman at a telephone. The main text reads:

TELEVUE
 Seeing by Telephone
 At the LEWIS AND CLARK EXPOSITION GROUNDS
SEASON PASS
 Mr. A. E. Reed
 Favor
 PHILIP STEIN, MGR. J. B. FOWLER, INVENTOR

You can now talk and see the person at same time.—N. Y. World, Sept. 11, 1904.

