

# HISTORICAL FACT SHEET Telephone Industry Related Companies



COMPANY Select-A-Phone Company of America

DATE ORGANIZED C1921

WHERE ORGANIZED Denver, CO

FOUNDER(S) \_\_\_\_\_

NATURE OF BUSINESS Manufacturer

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

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Unknown

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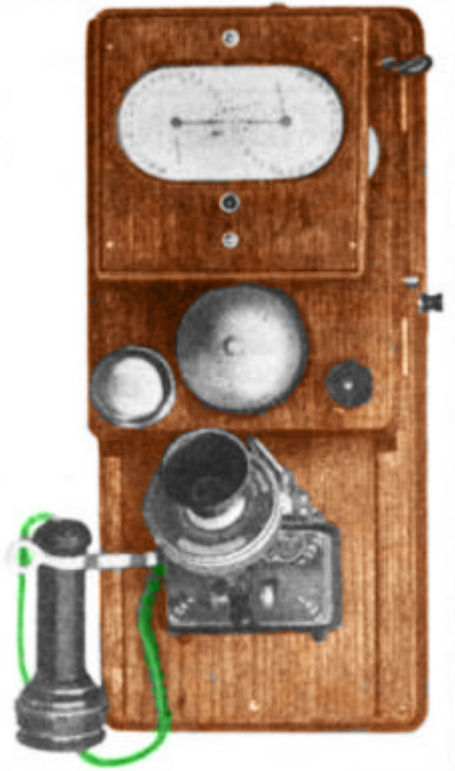
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REMARKS The only references found were in 1921 for this company that provided a device for private service on party lines. As did the Selectaphone manufactured by the W. Virginia Selectaphone Mfg Co, the unit is located at the subscriber's premise and is connected between the incoming line and the telephone set. The units were promoted in rural party line areas to prevent others listening in on conversations. This company is not related to The Screw Machine Products Co which provided a Select-o-phone or with the Selectaphone Company.

Source: Telephony, 1921



Central Device



Clearing Device

**Private Service**  
on  
**PARTY LINE**  
**TELEPHONES**  
**A FACT**

**THE SELECT-A-PHONE**  
has accomplished this feature.

- THE SELECT-A-PHONE** IS EASILY ATTACHED
- THE SELECT-A-PHONE** Does not change any of your equipment
- THE SELECT-A-PHONE** gives Central control at all times
- THE SELECT-A-PHONE** calls only the party you want
- THE SELECT-A-PHONE** needs no additional wiring
- THE SELECT-A-PHONE** needs no expert to install
- THE SELECT-A-PHONE** will last as long as the phone itself
- THE SELECT-A-PHONE** holds up the line efficiency

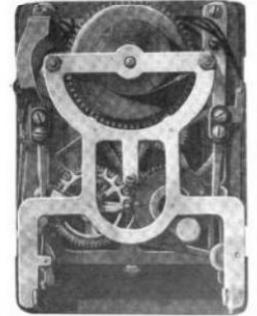
*The Receiver Down Does Not Interfere With The Line Service*



Line Device

**Full Particulars**  
**On Application**

**THE SELECT-A-PHONE**  
**CO. OF AMERICA**  
OFFICES AND FACTORY:  
319-323-325 East 17th Avenue  
DENVER, COLORADO



Line Device

Notice: The name "Select-a-Phone" will be changed for trade mark reasons.