

## **The Giddings News**

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### **NEW TELEPHONE SYSTEM FOR GIDDINGS**

Mr. M. C. Atkins of Bryan, district manager, and a crew of workmen were in Giddings this week beginning work for a new telephone system in Giddings. It will be some time, however, before the complete installation is made including new style telephone receivers in the residences and business houses and a new switch board in the central office.

The government has been requisitioning switch boards as rapidly as the factories could turn them out for use at the army camps but the Giddings switchboard will soon be on its way. Patrons will not ring central with the new system, they lift the receiver and the light flashes on the switchboard which is a call to central.

Telephone rates will be slightly increased not exceeding 25 cents per month for most types of phones and no increase for other types. The city ordinance permitting the new rates was passed by the city council June 3, 1940.