

PHONE RUMPUS IS AIRED AGAIN

**Large Number of Farmers and Towns-
people Protest Against Proposed
Raise in Telephone Rates.**

The proposed raise of rates by the Griggs County Telephone company will be objected to by representation of phone patrons and others at the hearing before the State Board of Railroad Commissioners, in session at Bismarek, beginning today.

That was the decision arrived at when a large gathering of farmers and townspeople met in mass meeting at the opera house in Binford Monday afternoon.

Two resolutions were adopted, the first asking the Commission to refuse the company a raise in rates, the second praying for an extension of time in which the petitioners may present more detailed information of their objections. In case the first

petition is not granted the second will be presented.

The petitioners are of the opinion that the company will not be benefited by a raise in rates, owing to a number of withdrawals from the system in case the raise is granted. It is the contention that should the present rates remain in effect and a special effort made to re-install all discontinued phones, and add new subscribers, that the revenue would be substantially increased at a very little added operative expense.

Olof Burseth was elected a delegate to represent this community, and it is understood that representatives have also been sent from Jessie and Cooperstown.

It is hoped that some conciliatory solution can be reached in the controversy whereby the telephone service can be greatly improved upon.

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