SAN DIEGO STATION OPENED.
San Diego, Cal., January 26, 1917.—The San Diego naval station, the largest radio station in the world, and recently completed by the Federal Telegraph Company of San Francisco, was opened this morning at 11 o'clock, strictly on scheduled time.

Mayor Capps and the president of the San Diego Chamber of Commerce exchanged messages with Secretary of the Navy Daniels and Congressman Kettner of San Diego. The opening of the station was attended by over one hundred people, and all messages sent and received were publicly read. The opening of the station was in charge of Lieutenant S. C. Hooper, who is in charge of the radio department of the navy; by Dr. Austin of the Bureau of Standards of Washington, and other high naval officials, who were all greatly pleased at the successful work of the station.

The Federal Telegraph Company was represented by Mr. II. P. Veeder, vice president and general manager, and Mr. L. F. Fuller, chief electrical engineer, who designed and installed the equipment. At the close of the test Mr. Veeder sent a message to Secretary Daniels, conveying his felicitations on the successful opening test.

The San Diego station is the first of a chain of powerful stations being furnished by the Federal Telegraph Company for the Government to establish communication between the trans-oceanic possessions of the United States and Washington. Other stations will be installed shortly at Pearl Harbor, Guam, and Cavite. The Pearl Harbor and Cavite stations will be even more powerful than the one so successfully installed at San Diego and will be capable of communicating direct with the powerful naval radio station at Arlington, Virginia.

U. S. S. MILWAUKEE IS TOTAL LOSS—CRUISER’S SET TO BE INSTALLED AT MARSHFIELD.

The U. S. S. Milwaukee, which grounded on Samoa Beach, has been given up as a total loss. Bids have been let by the Navy Department for salvaging the armor and machinery of the vessel, much of which has already been removed.

Distress calls from the grounded cruiser were received by the operator on watch at the Cape Blanco naval station, and assistance from the Samoa Beach life saving station was asked for via wireless.

The vessel was equipped with a 5 K. W. transmitter. The equipment will be removed from the vessel within due course of time and installed at the new naval radio station at Marshfield, Oregon, according to a decision made by the Mare Island authorities. The set will be installed by Mr. C. Hanscom, who supervised the construction of the Chollas Heights high power station near San Diego.

NAVY DEPARTMENT TO CONTINUE AEROPLANE EXPERIMENTS.

Information was received at Mare Island to the effect that the aeroplane radio experiments at San Diego will be continued.

Aeroplane wireless experiments were commenced by naval operators from the San Diego station about a year ago and since that time this means of communication has been greatly developed. E. J. Simon, a New York radio engineer, will arrive shortly at the aviation camp in order to perfect the aeroplane wireless service.