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French Cable Station Museum Preservation



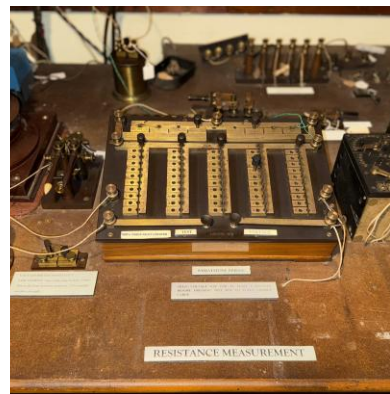
Early Transatlantic Communication

In operation from 1869 - 1952, the French Transatlantic Cable was a vital link for telegraph messages between North America and France, advancing global communication.



Preserving Historical Artifacts

The museum houses original equipment and artifacts, offering a glimpse into the beginnings of telecommunications technology and the equipment used to test and maintain the various transatlantic cables.



Education

The museum educates visitors about the evolution of global telecommunications and the importance of early cable stations.

French Cable Station Timelines

1869 - First French Transatlantic Cable

**1879 – French Transatlantic Cable relocated from
Duxbury to Eastham, MA terminus**

1891 – French Cable Station built in Orleans, MA

**1898 - Second French Transatlantic Cable “Le Direct”
established from Brest, France direct to Orleans, MA
station.**

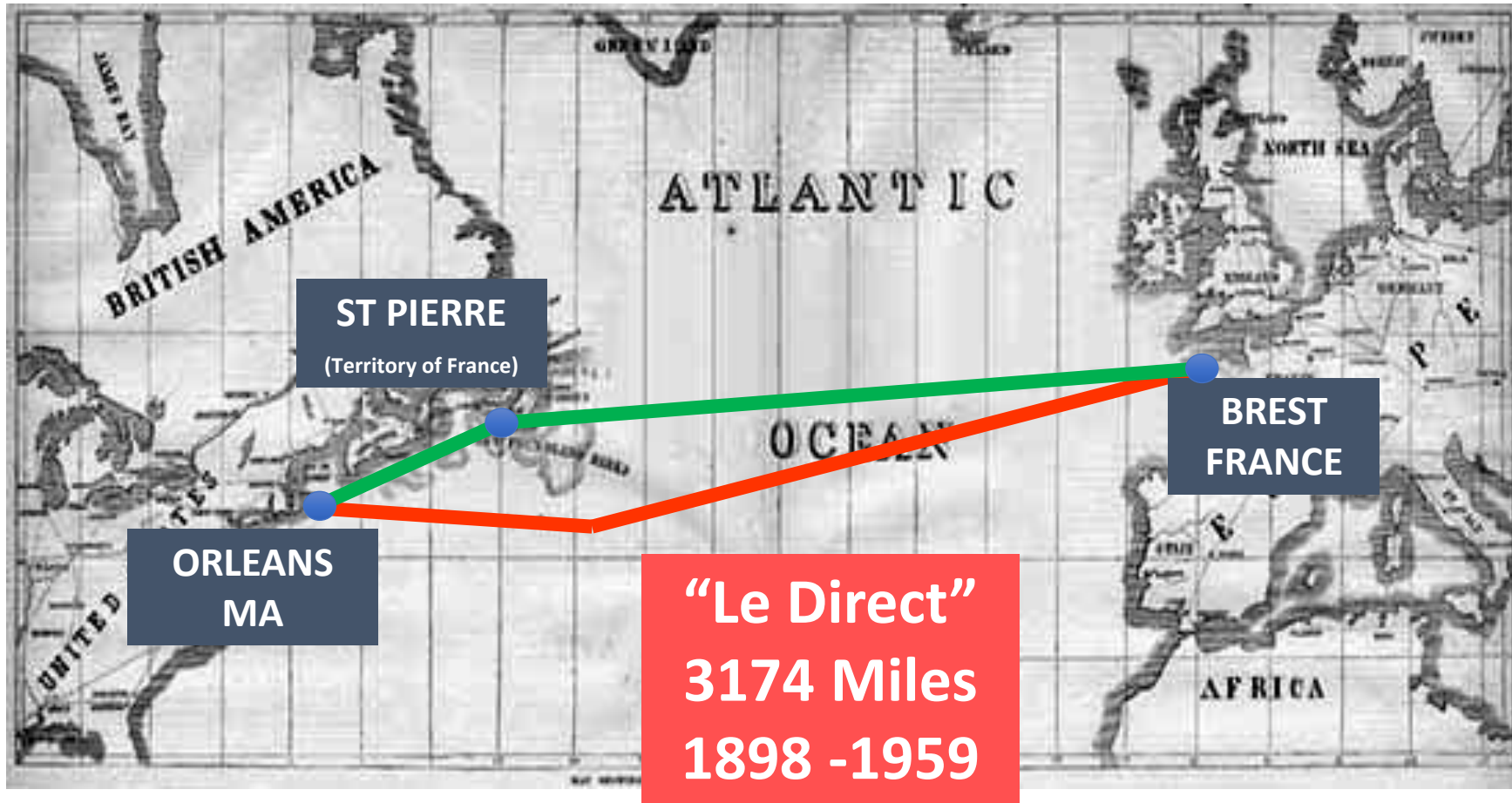
**1940 – 1952 Orleans Cable Station operations
suspended due to WWII**

1959 – French Cable Station ceases operations.

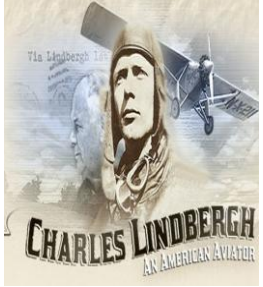
1972 – French Cable Station reopens as a Museum



The Cables.....



French Cable Station Historical Events



Transatlantic Flight News Relay

The Orleans station relayed the first news of Lindbergh's 1927 transatlantic flight, connecting Europe and America instantly.



Steamer Portland Tragedy News Relay

During the 1898 Steamer Portland tragedy, the station provided the first news accounts of the Steamer Portland disaster off Cape Cod.



World War I Critical Communications Link

During World War I, the station was a vital link enabling secure communications for the Allied Expeditionary Force (AEF) in France.



The Cable Station Museum Today...

The French Cable Station Museum is a non-profit organization dedicated to preserving the history of the Transatlantic Cable operations through tours and other events.

Much of the equipment in the museum is in operating condition (although the actual cables are no longer active).

Volunteers are on hand to guide visitors through various rooms filled with original equipment and artifacts.

The museum is funded solely via donations and various grants.



Museum Hours

June - September
Friday-Saturday-Sunday
1pm – 4pm

BARC Private Tour:

Monday April 13, 2026
11:00AM – 1:00PM



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VOLUNTEERS WANTED!!!!!!

