

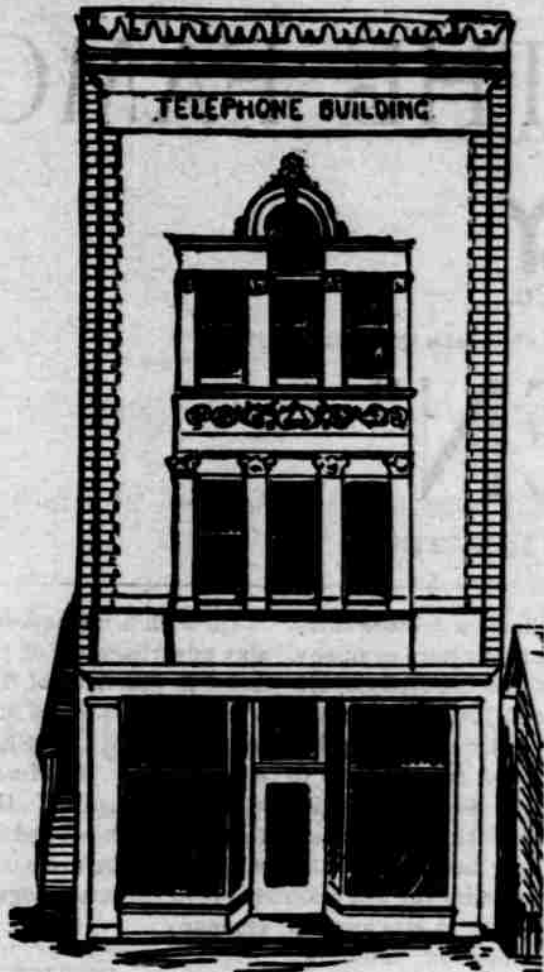
TELEPHONE IMPROVEMENTS

What is your idea of the central telephone office?

Have you ever seen the "hello girls" at work?

Up in the third story of the Nebraska Telephone company's new building on Thirteenth street just south of the Potwin block, there is a spacious room, elegantly appointed, that has at first sight, something the appearance of a bank— from behind the wooden enclosure. The

wires underground, and it is doubtful here is a more complete, effective system anywhere in the United States. The building is not so large as the home office in Omaha, but it presents, if anything, a more attractive appearance, and contains some improvements not in the Omaha building. All of the operating paraphernalia in the central office is entirely new, embracing the very latest ideas in telephoning. With the new equipment there is also a new system of making connections that telephone patrons find very satisfactory.



switch board is arranged on a fine piece of wooden furniture, and the hello girls are arranged about it like so many tellers.

But what strikes you most is the absolute quiet of the place. You can stand within ten feet of the girl operators while they are answering calls and not hear a sound. The latest approved hello girl is a creature of almost absolute silence. The system is perfection itself.

The telephone company has spent nearly \$100,000 in the construction of its handsome new building and placing the

The building is 25x75 feet, three stories and a basement. It is built after the Italian Renaissance style of architecture. The front is of St. Louis brick and unglazed terra cotta, with a copper cornice. There is an artistic iron carved stairway on the outside of the building.

There are twelve operators in the central office. There are 502 miles in the underground cables and 295 miles of wire on poles. There are 30 miles of pole lines.

The Lincoln switch board has a capacity of 2300 subscribers.

POINTS IN POLITICS

Reports received by Mr. McClay from all parts of the state cause him to take a particularly hopeful view of his candidacy. Mr. McClay has carefully refrained from invading territory where there are favorite sons in the race for the nomination for auditor; but assurances reach this city daily that the general feeling among the republicans of the state is very friendly to Mr. McClay. Lancaster county is modest in her demands this year. With only one candidate for a state office, and that candidate a man of Mr. McClay's strength, there does not seem to be any reason why the nomination for auditor should not come to this county.

Impartial observers notice the accelerated movement of the Eugene Moore gubernatorial boom. Within the last few weeks Mr. Moore's candidacy has developed considerably. In the northeastern part of the state especially he is receiving warm support, and there are indications that he has some strength in nearly all sections. Mr. Moore has always been popular with the people. His administration of the affairs of the auditor's office has been such as to inspire the confidence of the public. He is justly regarded as a competent, trustworthy man. In the office of governor

he would render efficient, able service. Mr. Moore will be a decidedly formidable factor in the state convention.

The election of the republican candidates for municipal offices is pretty generally conceded. An effort is being made to concentrate demo-pop-prohib strength on the hybrid candidates for police judge and water commissioner, but neither Judge Waters nor Mr. Byer is believed to be in serious danger. Mr. Schwind is an excellent young man, but republicans are generally well satisfied with the administration of Waters, and they can see no good reason for not supporting him. Mr. Waters has held the office for four years, and during all that time there has not been a single charge against him. He has never been accused of making improper use of his office. He has kept his record decidedly clear. Few people appreciate the difficulties in the way of the police judge. It is the meanest office in the city. It is surrounded by demoralizing influences. Judge Waters has withstood the influences that most of his predecessors succumbed to, and his record is greatly to his credit. His personal habits are good, and his official record will bear the closest scrutiny.

Mr. Byer, the republican candidate

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- Tightness of the chest.
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- Chilliness in the evening, followed by Slight fever.
- Perspiration toward morning and Pale face and languid in the morning.
- Loss of vitality.

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