

# THE FRONTIER

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Amateurs have discovered that the electric light method of operating a radio telephone is not as simple as it is supposed to be. Major General Squier, chief of the army signal corps, told how he succeeded in operating an instrument by attaching it to a chandelier. Electric plants in various cities have been dismantled in various homes, and in darkness. The account of the major general's experiment was not technical, and the idea took root that his scheme did away with antennae and other wires. The average electric light circuit is built for 110 volts and the radio is for six. The combination was disastrous.

Charles B. Cochran, London's greatest producer of revues, has decided to give critics the "gate." No more "oakleys," he says, for inconsiderate abusing gentlemen of the press, who enjoy free seats at opening nights and then pronounce as terrible a show that runs on for months or maybe years. The decision was made when the Cochran took exception to the criticisms made about his latest revue, "Mayfair and Montmartre," in which he is starring Alice Delysia, just returned from her tour of the United States.

At last there is a rift in the dark clouds which have been obscuring the financial horizon of Switzerland and threatening disaster to her favorite industry—that of the hotel and boarding house. From across the Atlantic come the welcome news that the former summer migration of tourists is not only going to resume its former proportions, but even bids well to break all records and that the Swiss mountain resorts are once more to come into their own.

Carl Bronner, a handless, blind veteran who is receiving vocational training under the United States veterans bureau at Evergreen hospital, Maryland, has learned to operate a typewriter efficiently with his right hand and has taken up the game of chess. His instructor moves the chess men for him, and then plays himself, telling Bronner at the same time what play he made.

The largest number of civil war soldiers on the pension roll, 745,822, was in the year ending June 30, 1928. On June 30, 1921, there were 218,775 civil war soldiers on the pension roll as against 243,520 the previous year. On June 30, 1921, there were surviving 64 widows of the war of 1812, also 108 soldiers and 2,135 widows of the Civil War, as well as 29,252 pensioners of the Spanish war.

Movies picturing the Klondike and the far north are substantially correct, says a writer in a New York paper who spent 17 years as a prospector in the Klondike. While there is much romance in the plots especially as to women, yet the writer says he knows facts too daring for even a realist director to touch.

American millionaires are about to discover a new Reno. If the divorce obtained by former Senator Henry H. Hollis of New Hampshire in Sofia, Bulgaria, is upheld, Sofia will outstrip Reno. In Sofia, it is said, one may not only drop his wife, but drop all financial responsibility and cut her off without a cent.

The British imperial government will be asked to extend the period during which certain ships now in possession will be made available for establishment of an experimental air service between Australia and England, in accordance with a resolution adopted by parliament. Prime Minister Hughes explained that the British government had a fleet of airships which it was willing to place at the disposal of the dominions, the latter having agreed to cooperate in a scheme which would enable aerial communication to be maintained between various parts of the empire.

A reward of \$45,000 is offered by a New York jeweler for the return of \$80,000 worth of diamonds "and no questions asked." The diamonds were in a wallet which was missed after the jeweler fainted in a subway station.

A new nonflammable gas resembling helium, but said to be 88 per cent cheaper, is being perfected in Los Angeles by Dr. E. Curran, chief of the research department of a local aircraft company. The new gas, curranium, is expected to revolutionize lighter-than-air navigation.

Russian university professors look upon the American conferees as bloated plutocrats. The average salary of the professor in Russia is 10,000 roubles a month—something less than a cent—Professor Archibald Cory Coolidge, of Harvard, said in a message received at headquarters of the American Relief association.

A Denver man told police that while he was away from home three weeks a family of strangers moved in, burned his fuel, ate his provisions, and the head of the house wore his underwear. The family had moved on when he returned.

Long sermons fatigue congregations, so the St. Louis Episcopal Vestrymen's association has voted sermons should average 23 minutes. Clergymen agreed to limit sermons if vestrymen would attend both sermons and non-sermon services.

One hundred representatives of Kentucky and the nation have been named by Governor Morris as members of a commission to erect a memorial in honor of Henry Watterson, veteran newspaper editor who died December 22. The memorial was authorized by the legislature.

A park bench for three is not to the liking of spooners in Green Bay, Wis. The new bench replaces the old, longer type used in the public park. The young people who stroll in the park believe the new wrinkle is just another step following the appointment of a police matron.

Owing to intensive propaganda by the Quebec government in New England states, 312 families have left the United States in the last year and returned to settle in the province.

Add to the growing list of radio fans Mary Garden, who telegraphed ahead to San Francisco for her hotel suite to be equipped with a radio receiving set, and high power broadcasting set as well.

A pastor in Wheeling, W. Va., suffering from continued ill health, has installed a radio phone in the church and sermons will be received from Pittsburgh on Sunday mornings.

Electricity has been successfully used to send swordfish off No Man's Land. A specimen weighing 75 pounds was taken recently by sending an electric current through the steel harpoon.

There are 400 organized political parties in Mexico which are adopting platforms and naming candidates in anticipation of mid-summer election of members to the national congress. But only six parties are considered factors in the election.

John Brinker, 62-year-old civil war veteran, of Elyria, Ohio, was doctoring himself for what he thought was the mumps when he discovered he was cutting his third set of teeth.

The wife of a wealthy Boston tourist lost \$50,000 playing "put and take" in St. Petersburg, Fla. The woman went to Mayor Pulver and told of her losses on condition that her name should not be made public.

## HITCHCOCK SAYS UP TO AMERICA

### Boosts His Plan for Bank of Nations and an International Dollar Before Nebraska Bankers.

Norfolk, Neb., April 25 (Special).—United States Senator Gilbert M. Hitchcock, speaking to more than 500 bankers in annual convention here Saturday, declared the United States can no longer live without other nations and that it must take a lead in order to stimulate export trade by taking advantage of his bill on the bank of nations. He declared the nation is now in the midst of a business depression caused by a collapse of international trade. He pictured this nation as sitting on a pile of what represented more than half of the world's gold and that there is danger in talk of diminishing gold and in other nations making other arrangements for trade.

To get rid of surplus products in America, he said, the plan he suggests in the bank of nations with an "international dollar" should be adopted. The international dollar, he said, would become a world dollar which would ultimately take the gamble and speculation out of present international exchange.

Willis McBride, of Elgin, was selected new president of the association.

### HOLDS AGAINST BANK IN CERTIFICATE CASE

Ainsworth, Neb., April 25 (Special).—In the case of the State vs. The Brown County Bank, wherein was involved the question of the liability of the state banking guarantee fund for \$30,000 in certificates of deposit issued last January to H. F. Bird, to be held by him in Chicago, Judge Dickson held that every step taken by the bank in the issuing of the said certificates of deposit was in direct violation of the banking laws of Nebraska and that the holders of the said certificates were not in any sense depositors under the right construction of the banking laws of this state and that the certificates were not a charge on the guarantee fund of the state.

The court, however, held that the holders of the certificates had a claim against the bank, and judgment was rendered accordingly.

The same ruling was made in a case where the Stockyards National Bank of Omaha held similar certificates of deposit. In his decision Judge Dickson said that in his opinion if a more careful scrutiny of the state banking guarantee fund had been made, thousands of dollars would have been saved for the fund.

### SENSATIONAL CHARGES AGAINST WEALTHY HUSBAND

Wymore, Neb., April 25 (Special).—A sensation has been caused in the community by the filing of a divorce suit by Mrs. Maggie Daily against her husband, Patrick Daily, charging that he is "shiftless." Daily is a member of the county board of supervisors and is a land owner in the county. Mrs. Daily charges he has failed to properly support her and her four children and that she has been forced to sell butter and eggs in order to properly clothe them.

### HIGH SCHOOLERS IN AN AUTO SPILL

Homer, Neb., April 25 (Special).—A bunch of Homer high school students started Friday morning to Emerson, to attend the baseball game between the Homer and Emerson schools. A short distance west of here their car ran off the grade and turned over and several of them were severely bruised. However, they secured another car and made the trip and witnessed the home team's defeat by a score of 3 to 18.

### VETERAN LOCOMOTIVE ENGINEER DISAPPEARS

Allamore, Neb., April 25 (Special).—Chris Rockey, veteran engineer on the Alliance division, has mysteriously disappeared and no trace can be found of him. He has been in the service of the Burlington for 34 years. He came in from his run, went home, ate breakfast, changed his clothes and went down town. This is the last that was seen of him. Family and friends can assign no reason for his sudden disappearance.

### STRUCK ON HEAD BY FALLING TREE, KILLED

Verdon, Neb., April 24 (Special).—Cecl Lundy, 25, was almost instantly killed when struck on the head by the falling limb of a cottonwood tree which he was felling.

Lundy's accident was witnessed by two men who rushed to him. He died while they were carrying him to the house. He is survived by his wife and three small children.

### NOTIFIED BROTHER MURDERED AT PORTLAND, OREGON

Neligh, Neb., April 24 (Special).—A message has been received by Harry Bowker, of this city, from Portland, Ore., announcing that his brother, Frank Bowker, had been murdered and robbed of \$1,400 last Sunday night, and his body thrown into the Columbia river. A telegram later in the day stated that the body had been recovered.

### GIRL CLAIMS FATHER GAVE HER AWAY

Allamore, Neb., April 25 (Special).—A miss of 18 found weeping in the depot by a railroad detective has been given work here by good Samaritans. The girl claims that her father was a drunkard and that her mother is in the South Dakota insane asylum. Her father made her work and took her wages to buy liquor. Finally she declared he gave her away, because he said he didn't want her around. She has a little sister 4 years old, whom she hopes to bring here and a brother on a farm in South Dakota.

## ACCUSED MAN TO PLEAD OWN CASE

### Charged with Murder, Former Illinois Convict, Acts Part Of Attorney in Trial at Omaha.

Omaha, Neb., April 19.—Otto Cole Monday began efforts to save himself from the electric chair, by acting as his counsel in his trial in district court on a charge of murder in connection with the fatal shooting of Harry Hahn, Omaha pawnbroker, slain in his store a few weeks ago. Cole, who confessed, police say, that he escaped Joliet, Ill., penitentiary two years ago, is accused of murder while attempting to rob, but his contention at the time of his arrest was that he killed Hahn following an argument over a loan on a watch he had pawned.

As the jurors were summoned he began taking notes, and announced, for a third time he did not want a lawyer, preferring to conduct his own case.

Cole questioned prospective jurors slowly, but had exercised three of his 12 challenges in the three hours. Two of these were on the ground that they had been influenced by the statement of another prospective juror that he and a friend "had found Cole guilty from the facts as they read them in the newspapers."

One attorney in the courtroom said that all the time he had practiced law he had never heard an attorney question a jury as thoroughly as did Cole.

### TELEPHONE CONCERNS ARE CLOSELY LINKED

Lincoln, Neb., April 19.—Counsel for the Northwestern Bell Telephone company, which pays the American Telephone and Telegraph company four and one-half per cent of its gross earnings in Nebraska and four other states receives in return, among other things, the use of instruments of the parent company on a rental basis and all patented apparatus and devices, freedom from royalties, damages and litigation, advice of all experts, engineers, legal advisers, and benefits of the A. T. and T., in prosecuting research. It was brought out before the railway commission, hearing the relationship of the company with the A. T. and T., and the Western Electric company.

As to the Western Electric, Mr. Morsman said it serves as purchasing agent for the northwestern Bell.

### CANDIDATE MAY NOT RETURN HIS SALARY

Lincoln, Neb., April 19 (Special).—A candidate for public office in Nebraska who might be elected on a platform pledging the return of a portion of his salary to the county treasury, would be violating the law and could be prevented from taking office, according to an opinion by Assistant State Attorney General Dort.

### FORMER CHURCH TREASURER ADMITS EMBEZZLEMENT

Omaha, Neb., April 19.—Manford E. Biggs, former treasurer of an Omaha church, pleaded guilty in district court to a charge of embezzling \$12,324 from his former employers, the Omaha Ice and Cold Storage company, and was sentenced to serve from two to five years in state's prison.

### NO TRACE OF MAN WHO DROWNED IN LITTLE SOO

Correctionville, Ia., April 17 (Special).—No trace of the body of Sigfried Otterstrom, 32 years old, of Cherokee, Ia., who fell into the Little Sioux river Wednesday while working on a pile driver near here, has been found, although searching parties were organized and "worked" the river for a distance of eight miles up and down.

Hopes of recovering the body were abandoned Saturday by searching parties when the river showed signs of rising to a still higher level. Members of the local post of the American Legion were in charge of a new searching party Sunday.

Although none of the low lands surrounding here are inundated, residents along the river are watching for the first break of the river.

### GENERAL JOFFE WAS GUEST OF LINCOLN

Lincoln, Neb., April 17.—Marshal Joseph Joffre, of France, hero-genius of the Marne, contributed a new chapter to Nebraska's history Saturday by his presence at the ceremonies attending the breaking of ground for Nebraska's new \$5,000,000 capitol, lending a spectacle of color, solemnity, dignity and prominence to an occasion the equal of which, in its kind, probably never has been written on the state's pages of time.

### SOON START WORK ON NEW CAPITOL BUILDING

Lincoln, Neb., April 17.—By the terms of the contract signed Saturday evening actual construction work on the new state capitol will start within 15 days. W. J. Assenmacher, to whom the capitol committee awarded the work of making the excavation and building the outer foundation walls, obligated himself to have material on the ground two weeks from today. He will sublet the excavation, but will do the concrete work himself. A complete system now surrounds and enters the capitol grounds.

## ASKS NEW TRIAL CHARGING ERROR

### Former County Treasurer Convicted of Embezzlement, Makes Showing in Supreme Court.

Lincoln, Neb., April 24 (Special).—Attorneys representing Joshua L. Heilman, former treasurer of Thomas county, were in supreme court Friday asking that his conviction on a charge of embezzlement be reversed for errors in the trial. The principal one complained of is that the chief witness for the state arbitrarily refused certain credits to Heilman. The court house was burned at a time when Heilman was having trouble keeping his cash in order, and part of his books were burned. This made it necessary for the state to go to the warrants themselves to prove its case. It was admitted that Heilman had overdrawn his salary account by several thousand dollars, but it was claimed he restored the money when the examiner called his attention to the fact. Heilman was pictured as a green country lad suddenly tossed into office and who did not know that he could not pay his own bills out of the county funds and charge them to his salary account.

### WOMEN'S CLUB HAD SESSION AT WAYNE

Wayne, Neb., April 24 (Special).—Two hundred visitors attended the 19th annual convention of the Third district Nebraska Federation of Women's clubs, which closed here Thursday. Eighty-five delegates and 152 visitors came for the convention days, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday. All but 17 clubs in the district were represented.

Mrs. E. B. Penny, of Fullerton, state president, was the honored guest. Mrs. C. A. Millan, of North Bend, president of the Third district, presided over the sessions. Miss Fannie De Bow, of Coleridge, vice president, and Mrs. A. E. Hoff, of North Bend, secretary, were the other officers in attendance.

### MOTHER OF TRIPLETS AND FOUR PAIRS OF TWINS

Omaha, Neb., April 24.—Mrs. Frank Golda, 35, of near Laplatte, Neb., is the mother of triplets and four pairs of twins, all born since 1905. The latest addition to her family came Friday with the arrival of twin girls, born at the home of a friend in Omaha. Their coming increased the number of children to 11. Mrs. Golda has also had one single child, but one of the triplets has died.

### ANOTHER ATTEMPT MADE TO WRECK TRAIN

York, Neb., April 24.—A second attempt to wreck the west bound passenger train on the Northwestern was made here last evening. A tie was placed on the track near where the previous attempt had been made. Strollers saw the obstruction before the train came along. A man was seen to run from the place but he evaded searchers. It is thought to be the work of a demented man.

### SHE IS CHIEF ACTOR IN NEWEST "LOVE SUIT"

Miss Wilhelmina Meyer, who had her marriage to V. J. Mayo annulled because he had a wife, has brought suit for \$101,000 against the present (and third) Mrs. Mayo, in whose name the Mayo estate is entered. After the second Mrs. Mayo had divorced her husband Miss Meyer attempted to get him to remarry her. When he refused she sued for breach of promise and was awarded \$101,000. Now she's trying to collect it through a second suit.

### COMPANY OWES FOR FEDERAL STOCK TAX

Lincoln, Neb., April 24 (Special).—Under pressure from the federal authorities, which had filed a tax lien for \$54,638, the district court has named E. G. Maggi as receiver for the State Realty Investment company. The company had failed to pay its capital stock tax and had been penalized \$10,000 additional. The company has assets figured to be close to the million mark, while its liabilities are estimated around half a million.

## King George Owns Saloon, Most Orderly Inn in England

London, April 25.—It was discovered Monday that an English saloon with the best record of orderliness is owned by King George.

It is a typical country inn called "The Feathers" located at Dersingham on the royal Sandringham estate.

It has never been necessary to eject any customer from the king's saloon, and the police have never received any complaints concerning it.

On the king's ground are many saloons, but "The Feathers" is his personal property.

## MAY GIVE PROBST SIX MONTHS STAY

### If It's Granted, Prosecutions Will Be Started Against Ones Charged with "Railroading" Butler.

Washington, April 25.—Deportation of August Probst, young Swiss Butler, who charges that his associations with the pretty daughter of a millionaire member of the exclusive Rolling Rock club, near Pittsburgh, resulted in an effort to "railroad" him out of the United States, again was blocked Monday.

An indefinite stay of the order of deportation, which was approved Saturday by Assistant Secretary of Labor Henning, was granted by the secretary's board of review, of the department of labor, after hearing Probst's attorneys, Bernard H. Sandler and David Steinhart of New York.

More Thorough Review Necessary. Upon completion of arguments by the attorneys, the board examined the record of the case as submitted from Ellis Island. It was then announced that so many new points had been raised by the examination of the record itself that doubt seemed to be cast on the entire proceedings, making necessary more time for a thorough review of the case.

It seems that the order of deportation was based on the ground that Probst is an alien who came into the country at a place other than designated by law for the entry of immigrants. Under those circumstances he would take the status of an alien seaman, and therefore, apt to become a public charge. A deportation case on this ground, however, is bailable and subject to review.

But the significant discovery in Monday's examination of the record by the secretary's board of review was a certificate that the young butler is insane, also a ground for deportation. This discovery left the board in doubt as to whether the Ellis Island authorities seek deportation on the ground of insanity or alien seaman.

Mr. Sandler stated after the hearing that he was confident of a reversal of the Ellis Island board. To make sure, though, that criminal action against detectives and others charged with kidnaping Probst and wire tapping should not fall by deportation of the butler, whose evidence is vital to the charges, application was made to the board for a definite stay of deportation for six months.

If the stay of six months is granted, Mr. Sandler said, bond will be given for Probst's release, and prosecutions immediately will be started against the parties charged with "railroading" the butler from the Rolling Rock club to New York and with tapping telephone wires under the guise of federal agents to locate Probst after he escaped in New York.

### BAKER-M'CORMICK WEDDING OFF AGAIN?

#### Servants Admit None of Mary's Many Trunks Contains Wedding Dress.

Paris, April 25.—Rumors that the wedding of Mary Landon Baker to Allister McCormick is off received a new impetus Monday when servants in the home of Countess de Janze, where Miss Baker has forwarded her baggage, admitted that none of the many trunks brought from Chicago contained a wedding dress.

They declared also that none of the traveling cases of the young woman had any other of the usual accessories of a wedding day outfit.

"Perhaps the trousseau was sent direct to England," said one of the maids. "Miss Baker's wardrobe here certainly does not suggest that she is on the eve of marriage."

Allister McCormick, who is still in Paris, is keeping the long distance telephone busy trying to talk to his fiancée at her retreat at Londiniers, near Dieppe. He declined to comment on the revelation of the maids at the house of Countess de Janze beyond renewing his assertion that the wedding probably will be held at Way Bridge in June.

Asked why he did not visit Londiniers, McCormick said: "I have other business which is keeping me in Paris."

McCormick is keeping quiet, his only public appearance being for afternoon tea at the Ritz.

### MAN, 60, GOUGES MAN, 83 IN ROW OVER RELIGION

Allamore, Neb., April 25 (Special).—Thomas Langford, 83, a crippled inmate of the Box Butte county farm is in a serious condition with one of his eyes closed and several wounds on his face, neck and head as a result of an attack made upon him by another inmate, W. A. Dunlap, 60, who gouged Langford with a sharp pointed iron rod during a quarrel over tobacco and religion, it was reported Monday.

## REPUBLICANS FEAR DEMOCRATIC GAINS IN U. S. CONGRESS

### Hard Fights Promised in Indiana, Ohio, N. Y. and N. J.—Harding and Lieutenants Mobilize for November.

BY BRUCE W. McNAMEE  
Washington, April 25.—The republican party organization throughout the country is mobilizing its full strength to win the congressional elections in November.

At a meeting of G. O. P. chieftains with President Harding in the White House Monday, it was decided that the campaign will be under the direct management of the republican national committee, which ordinarily conducts only presidential campaigns. Harding Deeply Concerned.

The republican strategists conferring with the president were Chairman John T. Adams, Treasurer Fred Upham, of Chicago, and Charles Dewey Hilles, of New York, republican committeeman for that state and one of the president's closest political friends. They definitely decided that the approaching congressional elections will be fought out under the personal supervision of the most able party leaders.

In half a dozen states senatorial races of the first importance to both parties will feature a campaign which is expected to indicate which way the political winds will blow in 1924.

That it is impossible to exaggerate the importance of the November elections is the opinion of President Harding and his political advisers. If a majority of republican candidates go over to victory, return of the party in 1924 is practically assured, they believe. But if the voters repudiate some of the party pets it will indicate a change in popular opinion that will have the most discouraging effect to republican morale.

How About Indiana? President Harding is said to have sounded out his political chieftains Monday on the question of immediate concern to him—whether Senator Harry S. New, of Indiana, can be pulled through in his state. Senator New, probably the president's closest political friend, and exemplar of the Harding policies, is facing the strongest possible opposition for the nomination from former Senator Albert J. Beveridge. If New wins out the president will feel that his policies have been vindicated to the voters and it will be a good omen all around.

Whether or not Senator William M. Calder, of New York, will be returned to congress, is another point of immediate concern discussed in the White House Monday. Republican leaders are figuring that the democrats have more than one choice among available candidates who could give Calder the closest kind of a run.

Pomerene Firmly Entrenched. Ohio presents another interesting contest, with either Rep. Simeon D. Fess or Walter Brown, of Toledo, on the republican ticket to defeat Senator Alton Pomerene, democrat, who is firmly entrenched.

Indiana, New York and Ohio then are the pivotal states to be fought for by the party in power. In California, Senator Hiram Johnson is practically conceded re-elected, as is Senator Porter McCumber in North Dakota. The possibility of Judge Garvin W. Craig, of Los Angeles, contesting the primaries with Johnson is giving some concern to republican leaders but they figure on Senator Johnson's personal popularity to carry him through with flying colors, even if former Senator James N. Phelan is the democratic choice.

President Harding expressed intimate interest in the New Jersey senatorial race where his warm personal friend, Joseph S. Frelinghuysen is up for re-election. If former Gov. Edward I. Edwards is the democratic choice to oppose Frelinghuysen a nose to nose race is in prospect for Frelinghuysen is running on a "dry" platform which is said to be none too popular with the voters. As one of the country's leading "wets" Governor Edwards is banked on to pile up a vote that may push Frelinghuysen out of the Senate. This probably will be one of the most interesting of all the congressional contests with the decision offering a pretty good idea of how the voters feel after four years of prohibition.

### HOTEL OWNER TESTIFIES AGAINST ARTHUR BURCH

Los Angeles, April 25.—Thomas W. Haley, Los Angeles hotel proprietor whose detective work first led police authorities to connect Arthur C. Burch with the murder of J. Edgar Kennedy last August, testified against Burch Monday afternoon in his retrial on the murder charge.

During a grilling cross examination Paul W. Schenck, chief defense counsel, asked why he should go immediately to Burch's room on a hunt for evidence to connect him with the crime when Burch had never talked to Kennedy. Haley replied that he was merely suspicious of Burch.

During the morning session more depositions and letters portending the ardent love that existed between Mrs. Benchen and young Kennedy were read.

### THREE NEBRASKA FIRMS DECIDE TO DISSOLVE

Lincoln, Neb., April 25 (Special).—The Union Trust company, operated by officials connected with the City National Bank of David City, Monday filed notice with the secretary of state that its stockholders met recently and voted to dissolve.

The Chappel Telephone Exchange has also voted to dissolve. The Anchor Coal company filed a similar notice of dissolution. It was a Lincoln company.



Wilhelmina Meyer