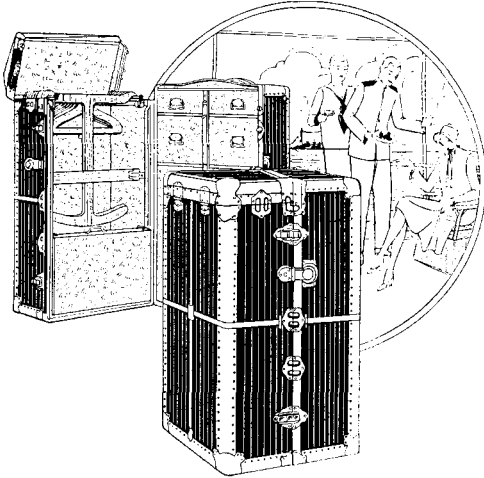


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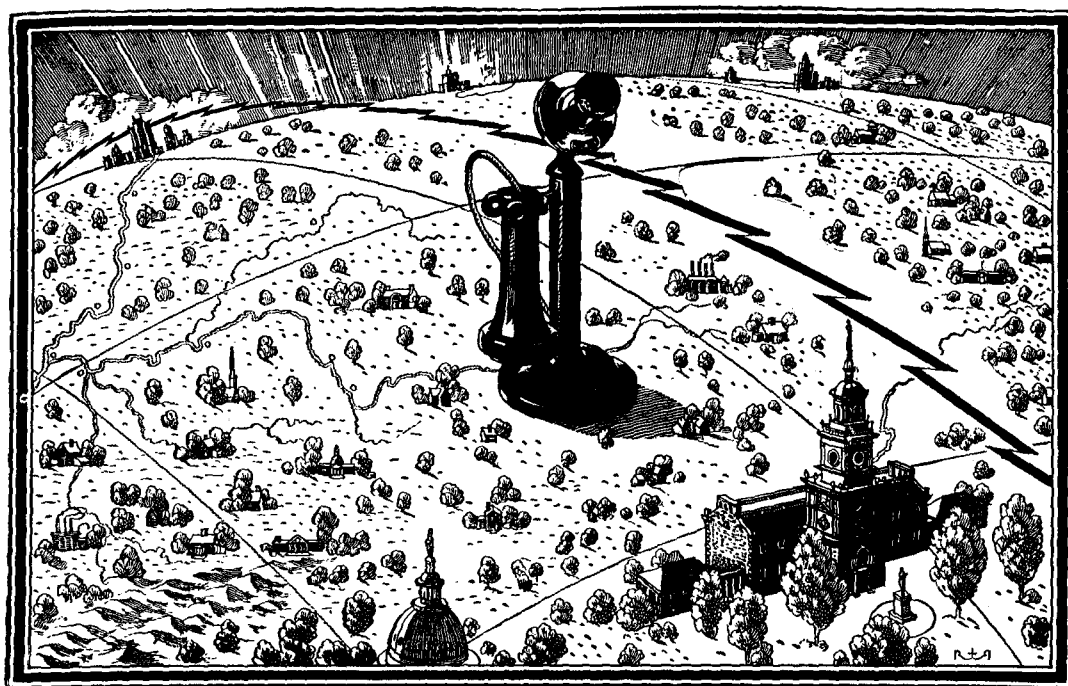
From time to time, in this place, THE AMERICAN MERCURY will present portraits of its more frequent contributors, along with brief accounts of their lives and adventures in this world. The series is herewith inaugurated, appropriately enough, with a few lines about Herbert Asbury, whose first contribution, "Up From Methodism," was published in the issue for February, 1925. It caused a dreadful uproar among the customers of the Wesleyan revelation, and helped to lay the foundation of THE AMERICAN MERCURY's reputation as an organ at once of the atheists and of the Pope. Later on Mr. Asbury expanded his story, and the result was a book under the same title, published in 1926 and since riotously reviewed by the various *Christian Advocates*. Another chapter from it, "Hatrack," was printed in the issue for April, 1926. It led to the attempted suppression of the magazine by the Boston wowsers, and, on their lamentable defeat in court, to the barring of the number from the mails, *ex post facto*, by the allied wowsers of the Postoffice. Few magazine articles printed in America have ever had a larger circulation. Mr. Asbury has also contrib-



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