



**TELEPHONE LINES
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THIS COUNTRY's telephone service is one of its greatest assets in time of emergency. It unites millions of people — helps thousands of businesses to get things done quicker — and is a vital part of our national defense.

Since 1941, the Bell System has increased the number of telephones by more than 16,000,000. There are nearly twice as many now as nine years ago. Billions of dollars have been spent for new telephone equipment of every kind. The number of Bell Telephone employees has increased to more than 600,000.

All of this growth and the size of the Bell System are proving of particular value right now. One reason this country can outproduce any other is because it has the most and the best telephone service in the world.

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