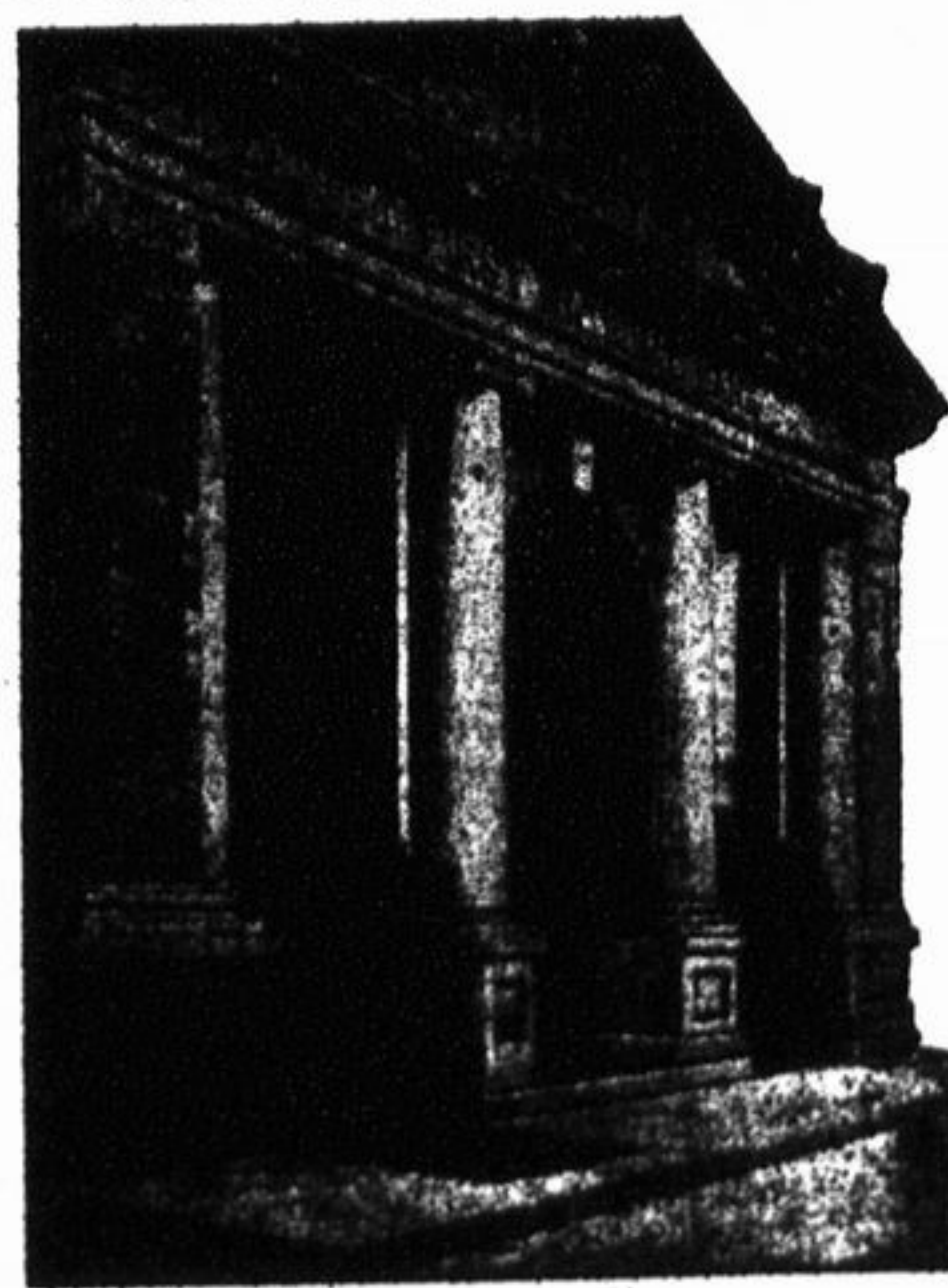


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GOVERNMENT IS OUT FOR RECORD IN SECOND DRAFT

All Registrants Urged to Fill Out Their Questionnaires And Return Them Early

Government machinery is geared for high speed in the classification of the "18 to 45" draft registrants, for which reason it asks the prompt return of filled-out questionnaires. Registrants are allowed seven days for their return of questionnaires from the day they are mailed. All are urged, however, not to take advantage of this, but to answer the questions promptly and return the questionnaires at the earliest possible moment.

Questionnaires will be delivered as soon as the results of the registration are tabulated, and this tabulation must be reported to Washington, not later than Saturday, September 21. This means that the first of the questionnaires will go into the mails Saturday, the 14, or Monday, the 16, and that the others will follow as fast as they can be directed. Mailing will not be restricted to 5 per cent a day as in the former registration. America aims to do in a few days the thing that it took Prussia fifty years to do -- register and classify the nation's man-power.

Questionnaires for the present registration are pamphlets of sixteen pages, but in spite of their increased length, they are said to be easier to fill out than the shorter ones used at first. Legal advisory boards will be on duty to aid registrants in answering knotty questions. But no matter what the length or number of questions, the object is to get the questionnaire filled out correctly and immediately, a task in which workers for the State Council will have great opportunity to help.

Exemptions on occupational grounds will be much harder to get than formerly. The only men to be given industrial exemption, will be those in indispensable individuals in indispensable industries, and then only so long as they remain in those industries.

Men who for physical reasons cannot fight or who have dependents, and are now engaged in non-essential industries, should ally themselves as soon as possible with industries necessary to winning the war, for there is to be no modification of the work or fight order, Secretary Baker has announced.

W. C. T. U. PLANS COUNTY CONVENTION

The local W. C. T. U. met Friday afternoon at the home of Mrs. W. R. Turnbull. A very interesting meeting was held, Miss Mary Deiner having charge of devotionals. Business of the afternoon was election of officers resulting in Miss Mary Deiner being elected President, Mrs. E. J. Marshall Vice-President, Mrs. F. E. McCollum Recording Secretary and Secretary and Mrs. J. Hanchett Treasurer.

Then plans were made for our part in the County Convention that will meet in the Evangelical church, Friday, September 27th, afternoon and evening. The Ladies were all enthusiastic about the plan to be more useful in all departments the coming year.

The next meeting will be at the home of Mrs. W. B. Towsley in October.

Jack Lait, in Hearst's Magazine, has Omaha Slim, discussing the law against whiskey manufacturing, say to his partner: "For the period of the war is what the law said. I call that rich. 'Period is right. A period is what comes at the end of a sentence, ain't it. Well, this period is the end, an the sentence is for life. Can you see us getting back our rights after the war? If the proud an primeval institution couldn't stay here when it was here it's got a fine chance to get back here when it ain't here."

DU PAGE COUNTY REGISTRATION TOTALS 5095

The total number of registrants last Thursday from 18 to 45 was 5095 in the County. Of this number 422 registered in our two precincts, 340 in Lisle Township and 82 in Naperville Township. The estimate for the County was 4637 which was exceeded 10 per cent.

As you cannot tell when you will be asked to show your registration card you had better carry it with your small change.

LEST WE FORGET THE ELECTION ON NOVEMBER FIFTH

The Most Important Question Before The Voters of the Country In Fifty Years

The preoccupation of the public with the problems of war is difficult to overcome. It is hard for most of us to think of anything else but the war and all it is bringing to us of effort and sacrifice, of interest and anxiety; and yet there are vital matters to be considered in the home land, and one of tremendous importance which we must not forget is the need for a revision of Illinois' Constitution. This need is intensified by war conditions and by the requirements of the period of readjustment and reconstruction to follow the war.

The need of a new Constitution for Illinois is being felt by all political parties and by the thinking men of all organizations. To secure such a Constitution there must first be called a Constitutional Convention, and on November 5th next, the male voters of Illinois have the opportunity of voting for a Constitutional Convention and he who fails to inform himself of the needs of such a convention and to vote for it, is untrue to the best interests of his state.

That you may know how varied are the groups of individuals who are working for such a Convention, we give below the names of a few organizations who are strong advocates of the cause:

The last General Assembly of Ill.
The City Council of Chicago.
The last Republican State Convention.

The last Democratic State Convention.

Most of the leading newspapers of the State.
Illinois State Bar Association.
Illinois State Bankers' Association.
Illinois State Farmers' Institute.
State meeting of Corn Growers' and Stockmen's Organization.
Illinois Equal Suffrage Association.
Citizens' Association of Chicago.
The Civic Federation of Chicago.
Chicago Association of Commerce.

With such well known organizations backing the movement, surely no one need hesitate to vote for the measure. Only one thing can cause the issue to be lost and that would be the indifference of the voters at the November election. Let us be alert to the needs of our State, and keep in mind that we are going to vote for a Constitutional Convention for Illinois when we go to the polls on November 5th.

CATHOLIC MEN OF DU PAGE COUNTY TO ORGANIZE

Catholic men of Du Page County will meet Sunday, October 13, at SS. Peter and Paul parish hall, Naperville for the purpose of organizing a Du Page County Union of the Holy Name Society. The parishes of Downers Grove, East Grove, Elmhurst, Lombard, Naperville, West Chicago, Wheaton and Winfield are working up interest in the meeting to which every Catholic man in the county is cordially invited.

Close to 2,500 Du Page County Catholic men are eligible to membership in the Society and the meeting is expected to result in the immediate establishment of Holy Name Society branches in parishes where none now exist. Rev. B. J. Schuette, SS. Peter and Paul church, Naperville, has been appointed Spiritual Director of the Du Page County union and is assisting the other pastors of the county in the preparations for the meeting.

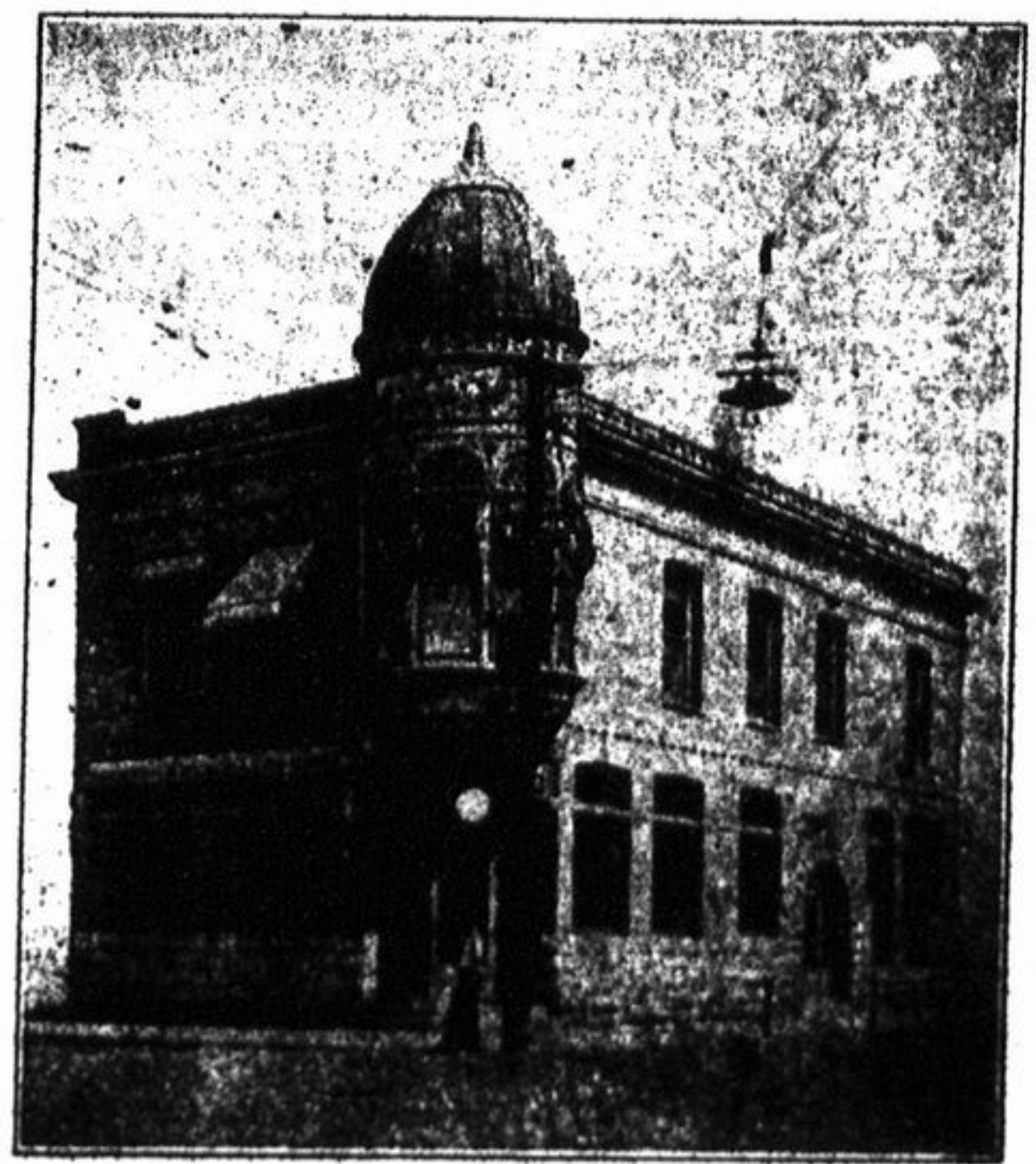
Bishop A. J. McGavick, Spiritual Director of the Archdiocesan Union of the Holy Name Society, President John R. Ford and O. M. Carry, chairman of the executive committee, are among the Chicagoans who will tell of the aims of the Society at the meeting.

Music and other entertainment will also be on the program.

CARD OF THANKS

I wish to thank the voters of Du Page County, for the loyal support they gave me as a candidate for sheriff, at the polls on primary day.

George F. Leineke.



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