

WOMEN IN POLITICS

By Mrs. W. J. O'Neill

In a series of articles on notable men and women of Chicago, Paul Wright in the Daily News says: "Once upon a time there was a notable campaign fought for the liberation of some millions of Americans who in the view of certain laws were in the position of imbeciles, criminals and serfs. These millions of Americans so regarded by the astigmatic eyes of tardy justice were none other than the wives, mothers and sisters of enfranchised American men, very few seemed aware of the fact that the situation had become absurd. So the battle was carried on by women for women. Also the woman warriors had to overcome not only the general masculine inertia but the quite common assumption that women could not think or if they could they ought not to and anyway they should not be entrusted with the vote. Among the many bright and able women who helped wage this war was Catherine Waugh McCullough of Evanston. For twelve years Mrs. McCullough was superintendent of legislative work for the Illinois Equal Suffrage Association and in this capacity spent many sessions in Springfield working with discouraging material in the legislature only to find after the women had helped them to see the light the people replaced them with more material that meant another effort for the women. Mrs. McCullough is an able lawyer now practicing in partnership with her husband. She is also justice of the peace in Evanston. Regarding women serving on juries she says: 'Women should serve. It is not only their right but their duty especially in cases where women are involved and where the women defendants are poor.' Mrs. McCullough has an equally good record as a home maker."

There is no human document but that offers opportunity for bettering it—what is needed to make a perfect constitution is an opinion from everyone who is to live under it and that opinion be part of the constitution. We in this state have an opportunity to pass upon the proposed constitution that is to be presented to the voters on December 12 next and if we are to be worthy of the great trust that is ours we must come to an adequate and distinct understanding as to whether the proposed constitution is more acceptable to us and holds fast to our liberties in a better manner than does

the constitution of 1870 under which we are now functioning. Should we give more power to our legislature, to the courts, and our executive officers or have they already too much power? Shall we take action against law breaking lawyer criminals who weave fantastic knots into our laws and make it almost impossible to convict a criminal who can hire them? Shall the criminal go free if he can secure the services of these unscrupulous lawyers or shall we take action and make a constitution that will put a convict behind the bars when a jury of his fellow citizens find him guilty.

Downers Grove is fortunate in having among its citizens one who has the legal training necessary to interpret the actual meanings of the various articles and sections of the new constitution and who has the judicial mind that is necessary to place before the people an unbiased view of the various proposals contained therein and it is hoped that the library will be filled every first and third Monday at eight o'clock in the evening at which time Dr. Goodwin presents the document for our consideration and discussion. We are writing history for the State of Illinois and are about to be called upon to make its fundamental laws and any meeting that assists us to form an opinion for ourselves, such as the Downers Grove Forum, is attempting to do, should have the hearty support of every citizen. The privilege to come together and discuss the laws under which they are to live is uniquely American and it will remain our privilege only so long as we guard it. We can do this by informing ourselves and obtaining the views of our fellow citizens.

The Citizens Association of Chicago is having a million copies of the constitution prepared for easy comparison with the old and they will be mailed to the voters before election. In the meantime an opportunity should be lost to analyze the document beforehand.

The following short but interesting section is presented from the proposed constitution:

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