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**SAYS GOVERNMENT
IN BUSINESS BAD
SHOULD BE UMPIRE ONLY**

**Dean Heilman, Famous Econo-
mist, Declares Movement for
Political Ownership Now
Is Weakening**

The movement for political owner-
ship is weaker today than it has been
since the idea was born, Dr. Ralph E.
Heilman, Dean of the Northwestern
University School of Commerce told
members of the Pontiac Chamber of
Commerce at their annual meeting.

Speaking on the topic "Government
and Business," Dr. Heilman, who is a
nationally-known economist, stressed
the point that it is not a proper func-
tion of government to engage directly in
business operations.

"It is the function of government to
protect life and property, and to
maintain law and order, but not to
engage its capital in business opera-
tions directly in competition with the
capital of its citizens," he asserted.

Business Umpire Only
"There may be emergency circum-
stances, such as arose during the war,
under which the government was just-
ified in engaging directly in certain
types of business operations—for ex-
ample, shipbuilding. But normally it
is the function of government to lay
down the rules of the business game,
and to act as umpire, but not to take
part in the game itself.

"The soundness of this guiding
principle is demonstrated by the his-
tory of government ownership and
operation. It is significant that when-
ever any unit of government—national,
state or local—has engaged in
business operations, it suffers in com-
parison with those businesses which
are under private management,
whether it is judged from the stand-
point of cost of service, quality and
character of service, maintenance of
properties or efficiency of business
methods.

"There are some who maintain that
it is impossible for government to
regulate that which it does not own
and who therefore insist that the only

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solution for the problem of our great
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and operation. In my judgment this
is a mistaken philosophy.

Good Regulation Effective
"Indeed, in the public utility field,
the movement for government owner-
ship has distinctly lost ground in re-
cent years, due to the fact that more
adequate and more effective ma-
chinery for regulation and control has
been established through state utility
commissions, such as the Illinois
Commerce Commission.

"Government ownership has been
frequently criticized on the ground
that it breeds political corruption and
graft. That it has certain dangers in
this respect is ordinarily true. Pad-
ding the payroll and juicy plums in
the form of contracts for supplies are
notorious under government owner-
ship.

"But the undesirability of govern-
ment ownership and operation is not
necessarily due to this.

"The makers of the American con-
stitution and of the state constitutions
devised and set up machinery primar-
ily for the purpose of carrying on
government. In this respect they suc-
ceeded well.

"But it is not designed as a system
of business organization and man-
agement. No business administrator
would set up his organization on such
a basis."

**ELECTRIC HOMES
IN MANY PLACES**

**Public Service Co. Is Planning
Eleven In Its Territory;
Street Lighting**

The lighting department of the
Public Service company reports that
not less than eleven "all electric"
homes are planned in the company's
territory to be completed during 1925.
Three of these houses are now under
construction. It is expected that the
great interest evinced by the public in
the electrified houses finished last
year and the year before will be re-
peated when the houses are opened
for inspection. In the cases of the
former, visitors humpered literally
thousands. Many people came from
long distances; some of them from
other states.

It has been noted that increased in-
terest in the subject of better lighting
has been created by these electrified
houses, by the Better Lighting contest
and by other movements made during
the past year. The examples of
proper store lighting to be found in
various towns, the lighting depart-
ment is confident will bear a generous
fruit. In fact, there is already defi-
nite and considerable extension into
actual practice of the better factory
and store lighting idea, the depart-
ment reports.

Acceptance of the idea of better
street light is also spreading among
municipalities.

The company has recently installed
an improved street lighting installa-
tion in Crystal Lake, Illinois. It con-
sists of thirty-six 250 candle power
ornamental lights or a total of 9000
candle power of illumination on the
street. The former Crystal Lake sys-
tem comprised nine 60 candle power
street hoods or a total of 540 candle-
power.

Crystal Lake is so well satisfied
with its first ornamental street light-
ing installation at Libertyville con-
sisting of 24 400-candle-power Mazda
"C" lamps. This system represents
10,000 candle power of illumination
on the street, replacing an old one of
five 250 candle power pendant street
hoods.

**PROCEEDINGS IN
COURT OF PROBATE**

**Action Taken in Several Estates;
Orders Made and Docket
Entries**

A number of matters came up be-
fore the probate court last week,
Judge Martin C. Decker taking ac-
tion on 14 cases, as follows:

Estate Marcella Shimilinas, North
Chicago. Proceedings: Administrator
authorized to compromise claim
against E. J. & E. Ry. for death of
decendent for \$1000.

Ida May Rebbe, minor. Report and
account approved.

Joseph Cankar, Waukegan. Decree
for sale of real estate entered. Tract
in Town of Waukegan.

Dora Hanson, et al minors, resi-
dents of North Dakota. Decree for
sale of real estate entered. Real es-
tate in Town of Libertyville.

William Burnett, Wauconda. Just
and true account approved.

Florence M. Perry, Waukegan. In-
ventory and appraisement bill ap-
proved.

Charles A. Suttie, Zion. Inventory
and appraisement bill approved. Ad-
ministrator authorized to pay taxes.

Frank DeWoody, Waukegan. Ad-
ministratrix authorized to pay taxes.

Charlotte Yankavskas, Waukegan.
Decree for sale of real estate entered.
Lot in Washburn Springs Sub.

Annie Mines, Waukegan. Proof of
Heirship taken.

Fredericka Tasche, Barrington. Fi-
nal report approved. Estate closed.

Grace K. Wilson, town of Benton.
Supplemental proof of heirship taken.

Henry Dusenberry, insane. Conser-
vator authorized to pay taxes.

Laurence O'Neill, et al, minors.
Highland Park. Inventory approved.

**CIRCUIT COURT OF LAKE
COUNTY**

Special May Term, A. D. 1925.
STATE OF ILLINOIS, County of
Lake, ss.

Nicholas Reetenwald,

vs.

Hiram Cornell, "Unknown heirs at
law or devisees of Hiram Cornell,
deceased," Bessie Hammill, "Un-
known heirs at law or devisees of
Bessie Hammill, deceased," Carrie
A. Cromie, "Unknown heirs at law
or devisees of Carrie A. Cromie,
deceased," James M. Bechtel, alias
J. M. Bechtel, "Unknown heirs at
law or devisees of James M. Bechtel,
alias J. M. Bechtel, deceased,"
William R. Weightman, "Unknown
heirs at law or devisees of William
R. Weightman, deceased," Samuel
S. Streeter, alias S. S. Streeter,
"Unknown heirs at law or devisees
of Samuel S. Streeter, alias S. S.
Streeter, deceased," Sara P. Dona-
hue, "Unknown heirs at law or de-
visees of Sara P. Donahue, de-
ceased," Hezekiah Arrington, "Un-
known heirs at law or devisees of
Hezekiah Arrington, deceased,"
Umphria H. Bishop, "Unknown heirs
at law or devisees of Umphria H.
Bishop, deceased," Martin B. Olm-
stead, "Unknown heirs at law or
devisees of Martin B. Olmstead, de-
ceased," Howard Priestly, "Un-
known heirs at law or devisees of
Howard Priestly, deceased," "Un-
known owner or owners of the land
described in the bill of complaint,"
Mary E. Latta.

In Chancery, Gen. No. 15133.

The requisite Affidavit having been
filed in the Office of the Clerk of said
Court.

Notice is therefore hereby given to
the said above named and unknown
defendants, that the above named
Complainant heretofore filed his Bill
of Complaint in said Court on the
Chancery side thereof, and that a
summons thereupon issued out of said
Court against the above named de-
fendant, returnable on the first day
of the Special term of the Circuit
Court of Lake County, to be held at
the Court House in Waukegan in
said Lake County, on the third Mon-
day of May, A. D., 1925, as is by
law required, and which suit is still
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