

**POLITICAL CONTROL
WRECKS INDUSTRIES**

IS RADICAL PROPAGANDA

**Wartime Experience of Railways
is Example; Same in Any
Other Industry, Says
Writer in Magazine**

The United States has been progressing steadily in efficiency and prosperity since the period of post-war reconstruction began, and it may be added that efficiency and prosperity usually go hand in hand. One of the striking examples of this progress can be found in our American railway systems.

At the close of the war these systems were practically wrecked. Government control, tantamount to government ownership during the war had completely disorganized them and it seemed that they had been scrambled almost past the unscrambling point.

Works Wonders

But a few years of private control have worked wonders, says the National Republic. The railroads are again back to normalcy. Operating conditions have improved, the service to the public is tremendously better and the railroads are making money. What is true of the railroads is true in a lesser degree of the other great public utilities which were placed under government control during and immediately after the war. The change in these other instances may not be so striking but it is visible just the same.

The lesson is one which will not be lost on the American public. The example of our railroads under government and private control is a complete answer to the radical demand for government ownership of railroads, and other public utilities.

Just Political

They call it government ownership and that is what the radicals advocate theoretically, but as a matter of fact the term "political control" would be more appropriate. For government control means political control, with all its evils. Everyone knows how railroad costs mounted during the war. With government control permanently established the costs would grow steadily, and efficiency would vanish.

Instead of the railroads being run efficiently for the benefit of the thousands of stockholders they would be operated for political benefit. Railroad jobs would become political favors and therefore multiply like houseflies. And there would be built up a political machine in our great public utilities the like of which has never been known in modern government. Government by bureaucracy, or by office holders would no longer be a danger but an accomplished fact.

Same in Others

And what applies to the railroads applies to other kinds of business. You might be an advocate of government operation of railroads and other utilities today. But the thing spreads and by tomorrow others more radical than yourself would be demanding federal ownership of stores and factories and farms. And so on until the government became one tremendous all-absorbing machine with everyone working for it. When this stage was arrived at we should have bolshevism, with the only difference that we had entered that blissful state through the backdoor.

**MINISTERS PENSION
CAMPAIGN OPENED**

PRESBYTERIAN PROJECT

**Purpose Raising Million Dollars
in Chicago District for
Purpose; Statement from
Will Hays**

Presbyterians of the Chicago district Tuesday night, April 26, opened their campaign to raise \$1,000,000 for the \$15,000,000 fund sought nationally by their church under the chairmanship of Will H. Hays for pensions for their old and disabled ministers. The effort was started at a banquet at the LaSalle with George Woodruff, local chairman, presiding, and some 350 representatives of 116 churches present.

The Chicago's district Presbyterians begin their task, which ends May 17, with the knowledge that \$9,200,000 has been pledged in campaigns east of here and that \$1,000,000 has been contributed in advance by wealthy western laymen prior to the opening of the campaigns in fourteen states from Illinois to California. These campaigns are expected to complete the fund and the Chicago drive is being held simultaneously with them.

Announcement of the \$1,000,000 in advance contributions was made by Mr. Hays in a statement sent to Mr. Woodruff. At the request of the donors, no names were made public, but it was announced that the advance gifts ranged from \$100,000 down to \$1,000. The statement:

Hays' Statement

"Reports from fourteen western states where the Presbyterian pension fund campaign now is getting under way in the effort to reach the

fifteen million dollar objective, shows that wealthy laymen of the church have contributed, in round numbers, approximately one million dollars in large advance gifts prior to the formal opening of campaigns. At the request of the donors, no names will be made public and the gifts will be spread through the regular weekly reports, starting this week, from one hundred and three Presbyteries taking part. This splendid response from our laity not only indicates success in the western effort, but is indicative of the spirit of unity and sacrifice aroused in our church. The interest of Christianity generally in this supreme Presbyterian effort is shown by the fact that the first gift in the national campaign was from a Baptist and among the first gifts on the Pacific Coast were one from a non-church-goer, one from a Christian scientist and one from a Catholic.

"Will H. Hays."

Substantial Gifts

Included in this total, it was stated, are several substantial gifts from the Chicago area, which includ-

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besides the city and suburbs, Waukegan, Joliet, Evanston, Chicago Heights, and such towns, but no local totals or names were made known.

The pension fund will provide pensions of from \$600 to \$2,000 annually for old or disabled ministers, ministers, missionaries, their wives and daughters, based on age, length of service and salary received. It is patterned after the present pension systems of the Episcopal church and of a majority of the larger private corporations.

The girls are said to be looking forward to Leap Year to begin within seven months now, but every year is Leap Year to an enterprising girl.

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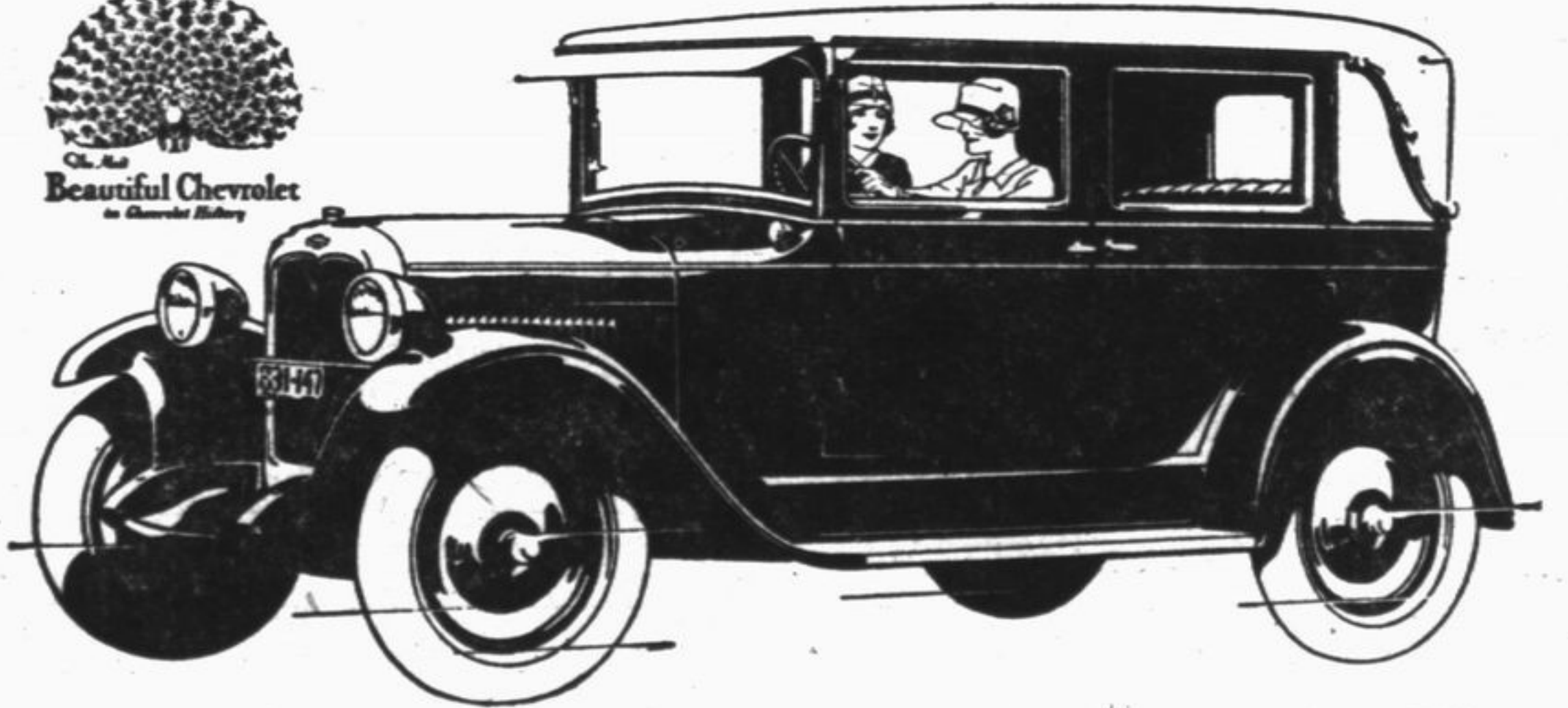
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