

SUBURBAN BUILDING DURING PAST YEAR

Total Outside of Chicago Over \$77,000,000, According to Straus Report

Building construction in Chicago and 43 principal suburbs for 1929 was \$280,256,234, according to the building survey department of S. W. Straus & Co.

The 1928 figure for the same area was \$432,659,130, thus indicating a loss of 35 per cent in volume in 1929 as compared with 1928.

All the large suburbs, with the notable exception of Joliet and East Chicago, showed losses in the comparative yearly totals. East Chicago, with a December gain over the same month of the previous year of 183 per cent, reports a volume of \$5,336,407 for the year, or a gain of 53 per cent. In the yearly comparison Joliet, with a volume of \$3,494,412 made a gain of 1 per cent over the preceding year. All the other large suburbs, including Hammond, Gary, Oak Park, Cicero, Evanston, Berwyn, Aurora, Elgin and Waukegan, indicated losses for the year.

Hopeful indication, however, may be noted in the fact that numerous suburbs made gains in December as against November. The traditional rivals, Oak Park and Evanston, in December made respective gains of 130 per cent and 139 per cent over November.

The 46 comparative suburbs in the Straus report showed a total volume of \$4,219,414 for December as against \$7,025,974 for December 1928, or a loss of 40 per cent. These same suburbs in December, however, showed a loss of only 1 per cent as against November 1929.

For the year, the 43 comparative suburbs did a volume of \$77,969,434 as compared with \$116,859,130 for 1928, or a loss of 33 per cent.

Comparative Figures

Comparative figures for 1929 and 1928 are as follows:

Aurora	\$ 2,279,900	\$ 2,954,092
Batavia	64,498	120,525
Berwyn	2,995,551	7,109,500
Blue Island	1,255,480	1,322,695
Calumet City	609,180	1,143,750
Chicago Heights	852,041	1,588,450
Cicero	3,587,788	3,762,896
Des Plaines	720,234	1,159,470
Downers Grove	454,375	1,243,825
Elgin	1,388,474	2,279,191
Elmhurst	1,496,856	2,247,145
Elmwood Park	2,747,305	8,102,618
Evanston	8,196,300	13,178,225
Forest Park	1,014,894	1,514,825
Glencoe	1,454,491	1,695,167
Glen Ellyn	876,550	1,485,073
Harvey	1,215,614	1,706,711
Highland Park	2,292,105	3,157,168
Hinsdale	602,313	1,075,886
Homewood	321,572	604,941
Joliet	3,494,412	3,458,025
Kenilworth	526,495	1,514,683
LaGrange	1,248,185	1,543,900
Lake Forest	2,631,717	2,392,700
Libertyville	375,800	485,065
Lombard	374,472	1,017,645
Maywood	1,092,089	2,771,755
Mount Prospect	433,010	673,907
Niles Center	1,281,140	2,955,085
North Chicago	1,327,910	599,055
Oak Park	5,720,895	9,290,495
St. Charles	299,075	No record
Villa Park	277,536	317,590
Waukegan	2,586,910	4,013,176
Westchester	955,970	700,333
West Chicago	93,414	142,531
Wheaton	722,500	963,100
Wilmette	1,678,004	2,857,353
Winnetka	1,742,490	2,521,775
East Chicago, Ind.	5,336,407	3,485,217
Gary	3,219,075	6,080,200
Hammond	4,658,000	6,511,630
Total	\$77,969,434	\$116,859,130

There is some talk of men's pants ending above the knees next summer. Next summer will be soon enough. Toledo Blade.

Gotter Finally Caught in Milwaukee; On Bond

Sebastian Gotter, charged with assault with a deadly weapon for the wounding of Mr. and Mrs. August A. Hallmann, Chicago real estate dealer, at his summer home on Fourth lake, Dec. 20, 1928, last week was released on bonds of \$10,000 from the county jail.

His preliminary hearing has been set for Jan. 13 by Justice Harry Hoyt, who issued the warrant.

Gotter was caught in Milwaukee Saturday night by Sheriff Doolittle, who traced a telephone call made by Gotter. He was found in bed in deep sleep as he had just finished a wild drunken party and was exhausted.

Hallmann called on the sheriff late yesterday and expressed his appre-

ciation that Gotter was caught. The two had argued at the summer home where Gotter was the caretaker. Gotter claimed he acted in self defense.

The sheriff is entitled to a \$200 reward from the county and \$300 from Hallmann.

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Wilted vegetables become fresh

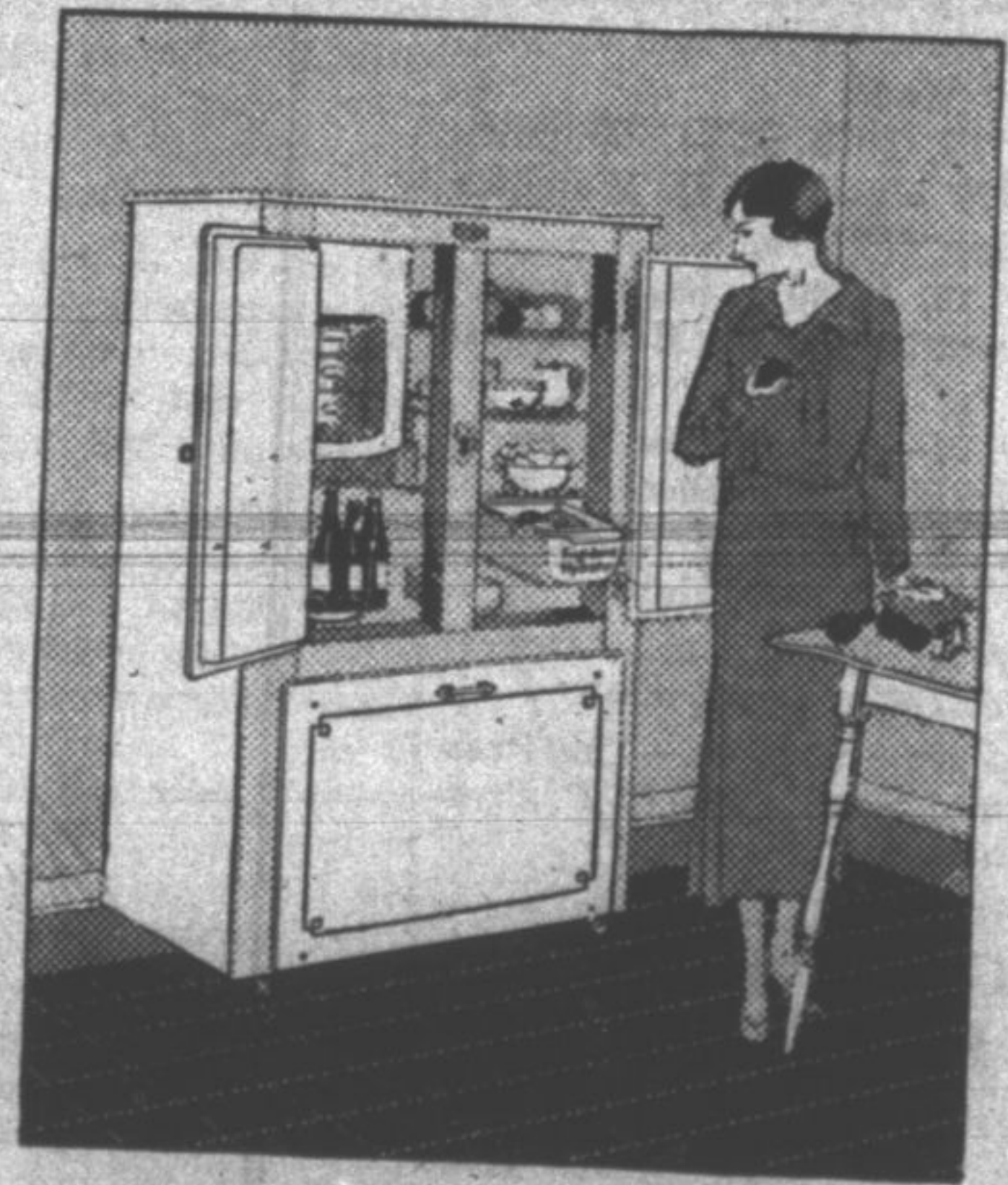
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