

WOMEN VOTERS PLAN FOR ELECTION NOV. 4

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the referendum the General Assembly wisely provided that if women are to serve on juries the woman who has the actual care of young children, the sick and the aged, shall be exempt.

In 21 States

In 21 states today including Wisconsin, Indiana, Iowa, and in all of the states surrounding Illinois, except Missouri, women are serving on juries. In many of these, jury service was considered a natural consequence of suffrage and the inclusion of women was made effective right after the Nineteenth Amendment was passed. Since women vote, help elect our officials, help make and enforce our laws through the holding of legislative and administrative offices, it is reasonable that they should serve on juries, which is the citizens job in administering justice. We have women lawyers today, and women court attendants and women judges. Is it not absurd that women should be considered unfit to act as jurors? This exclusion is a lingering discrimination which is an anachronism in the twentieth century.

Unfairness Apparent

The cases of women plaintiffs and defendants today must be settled by juries of all men. If men were asked to face juries of all women, the unfairness would be at once apparent. There are many cases of young girls and women brought to trial, where the presence of other women is imperative. The United States Supreme Court has said that whenever a whole group of citizens as a class is excluded from jury service, it seriously lessens the value of jury trial to the members of that class.

The statements of judges and law-

yers in other states where women serve on juries, are impressively favorable. Most of them agree that they would not willingly return to the all men jury. As Chief Justice Marshall of the Ohio Supreme Court says, "The judges who preside over jury trials uniformly and without exception testify to the careful attention, conscientiousness, courage and good judgment of women jurors."

Now Think Reds Stole Machine Gun at Fort

Red agitators are now believed to be responsible for the theft, of a heavy type machine gun and 18,000 rounds of ammunition for the gun, at Fort Sheridan recently, as reported elsewhere in this issue. Investigation revealed that the machine gun was of a type too heavy to make it practical for use among gangsters.

When the robbery was first discovered it was believed that gangsters had planned and executed another bold coup by raiding a government fort and stealing a machine gun and the large quantity of ammunition.

Two More Districts Want to Be Townships

Two more districts in the county are considering asking the county board of supervisors to set up towns for them, and if North Chicago carries out its intentions, the board will have a busy December session setting up new commonwealths.

Tentative plans in old Benton Township, known as the Town of Benton in its political make-up, indicate that before the shouting and fighting dies there will be three towns, Zion, Winthrop Harbor and Beach.

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