

MANY WOMEN ATTEND LEAGUE CONFERENCE

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unit on county matters, and mentioned a questionnaire which had recently been sent out to the county board. She then called upon various members of the League to outline the legislative measures which the League is anxious to see passed at Springfield.

Mrs. C. W. Field of Waukegan, presented the office group ballot, and displayed two sample ballots, showing the difference in size and convenience between the present large, clumsy form, and the proposed new one.

Mrs. Greenberg Talks

Mrs. Ira Greenberg of Highland Park, gave a most comprehensive outline of the proposed child welfare legislation or the Children's Code, the result of studies completed by the governor's child welfare committee, and five sub-committees; presented by Henry Chandler, and introduced by Senator Florence Bohrer. These recommendations are embodied in some thirty bills, and cover the following main clauses:

Dependency: Changes in the provisions of mothers' pensions, and enlarging of classes of mothers eligible.

Illegitimacy: "Bastardy act" passed 1872 to be discarded, and the uniform illegitimacy act adopted; safeguards to be thrown around adoption; child-caring agencies to be licensed.

Delinquency: Education, not punishment, the aim; more probation officers; juvenile separate from adult parole; age of boys referred to juvenile court raised to 18 years.

Defective children: Health and education program.

Child labor: Raising of age for employment; certificates; limitation of hours, etc.

Division for Maternal and Child Hygiene: Education, supervision and licensing of midwives.

The establishment of county boards of public welfare.

Other Women Speakers

Miss Martha Sarver of Lake Forest presented the eight-hour day for women, and the motor drivers' license bills.

Mrs. A. P. Laughlin of Lake Bluff spoke of the bill for the licensing of public health nurses (which has already passed the senate) and of the need for an increase in the state school distributive fund. She mentioned the special problem created by the orphanage in Lake Bluff with its 40 children educated and cared for by Lake Bluff.

Mrs. Courson then called upon Senator Paddock and Representative Lyons for a few words, after thanking them for their interest and cooperation.

Senator Paddock Talks

Senator Paddock expressed his appreciation at being included in such a meeting. He spoke of the difficulty of analyzing the many bills introduced in the assembly, and of the advantage of getting all of the information possible as to the sentiments of the people.

He paid a special tribute to Senator Florence Bohrer, who he said had the respect and goodwill of every one in Springfield. She is working for the welfare of youth through the children's code, which she feels will close the gap between the high school and

employment age. Records have shown many criminals to be around 17 years of age.

Senator Paddock felt that the child welfare bills were most commendable. He said he did not feel well enough posted on the office ballot group to pass an opinion. He spoke favorably of the motor drivers' license, but in closing stressed the fact that all the machinery for these various acts required money which must come from some other source than present taxation.

Rep. Lyons Speaks

Representative Lyons who is, as he explained, by "fate and circumstance" the senior member of the Illinois house from the "greatest district in Illinois," said it was his belief that a politician must be an optimist.

Bills are so changed and amended that it is difficult he declared, to express one's opinion on any measure until it reaches the third reading. He felt that the Illinois assembly was much further advanced than many legislatures of the Union, although it is peculiarly constituted with downstate needs quite different from those of Chicago. With the introduction of fourteen or fifteen thousand bills, it is almost impossible for any one member to digest all of them.

Mr. Lyons tries to answer all letters as he feels the writers are entitled to a courteous response. He spoke very strongly in favor of the motor drivers' license bill, in fact he said that he made his maiden speech on that measure when it was first introduced. Pilots and engineers for

all other types of transportation are thoroughly trained and tested for fitness for the jobs, Mr. Lyons asserted, yet thousands of reckless automobile drivers are turned out on the highways every year with a deadly weapon, to maim and kill. He feels that the motor drivers' license bill is one of the most constructive and important pieces of legislature before the assembly, and that Illinois is sorely in need of such a measure.

The health experts say that after many tests they have come to the conclusion that smiling babies are no more intelligent than the crying ones. The difference is, that their safety pins are placed more intelligently.

"Don't economize on milk," doctors urge

"Milk is the best food we have. There are always very many sick, undernourished children in cities and countries where milk is scarce. Save on other things if you must, but not on milk — your child's best food," says the U. S. Department of Agriculture.

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