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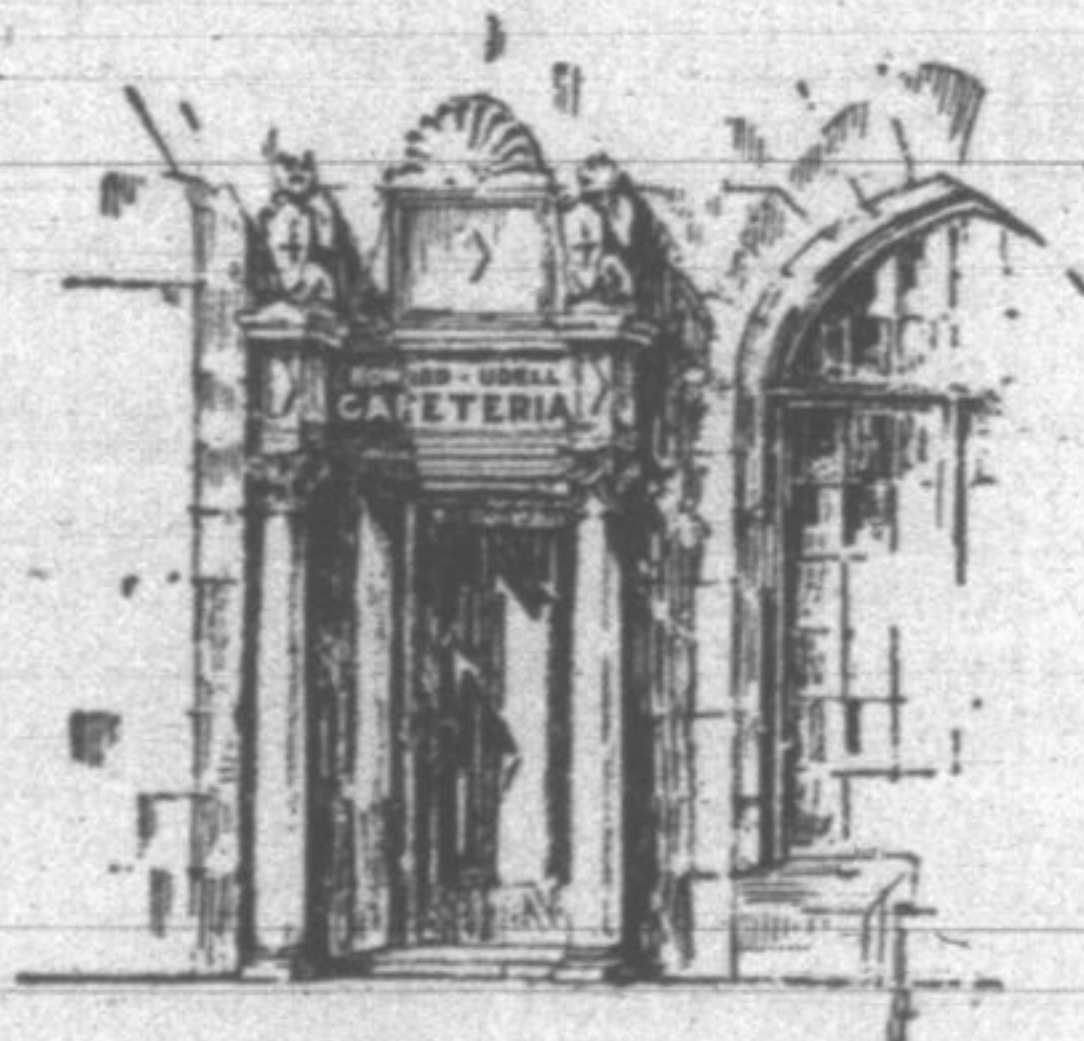
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Commerce Department Report on Lake County Agricultural Acreage

There are 29,784 acres of drained land in Lake county fit for normal crops this year, according to the 1930 census of drainage announced by the United States Department of Commerce.

In addition to the amount there are 4,176 partly drained acres which are suitable for partial crops, and 3,466 acres unfit for crops because of the lack of drainage. Lake county had a total of 37,469 acres of land in drainage enterprises.

During 1929, according to the census reports, 29,756 acres of land were used for planting in the county, with an investment of \$1,176,372.

From 1919 to 1929, which was covered by the last census, there was increase of operating enterprises in the entire state from 3,909,049 to 5,034,122, or an increase of 28.8 per cent during the ten-year period.

The entire state reported 5,992 miles of open ditches, 1,107 miles of levees and dikes, and 4,325 miles of tile drains.

Question Rights of Zion Town Officials

Quo warranto proceedings questioning the right of Supervisor B. C. Thompson, Assistant Supervisor John D. Thomas, Assessor O. W. Farley, and other officials of the Town of Zion last week were filed in circuit court in behalf of Leo Dietz and other Zion Independents who lost in their effort to enjoin the town elections in Zion and Benton. The bill contends that an illegally constituted city administration in Zion petitioned the dividing the original town of Benton.

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Further Protests Over Resurfacing Highways With Brick Reported

In line with the objection of a delegation from Lake county to the resurfacing of part of Green Bay road and part of Route No. 20, from Volo to Grayslake, with brick, the St. Charles Association of Commerce has also entered a protest at Springfield.

The Elgin Association of Commerce, the Elgin Motor club and Mayor Earle R. Kelley of Elgin have already voiced their objections.

The object of these concerted objections is that brick is not considered a good material for this improvement project. Several bids have been received for this work by the highway department at Springfield, among them being the following:

The resurfacing of the Roosevelt road between DeKalb and the Ogle county line, 7.52 miles, and on the Lincoln highway, Chicago Heights to the Cook county line, 5.24 miles, and on Route No. 20, Volo to Grayslake, 6.32 miles. Contracts for the resurfacing on the Roosevelt road and on Route No. 20 were reported let last week.

Plans call for widening from 18 to 20 feet, widening one foot with brick on each side of the concrete, and resurfacing in between with brick. Those protesting desire use of concrete, claiming that a brick pavement will become bumpy through frosts.

Chindblom Is Reported Aiding Britten in His Candidacy for Speaker

Congressman Carl R. Chindblom, representing the Lake county district in congress last week swung his strength back of Congressman Fred Britten of Chicago, for speaker of the house to succeed the late Nicholas Longworth of Cincinnati, O., three times speaker.

As Chindblom long has been recognized as one of the powers in the administration his strength behind the Britten movement is considered of decided value to the effort to make an Illinois man the next speaker.

With Chindblom in this fight are Representatives Frank R. Reid, Aurora; William E. Hull, Peoria, and Charles Adkins, Decatur.

Many N. Chicago Pupils Vaccinated to Combat Smallpox; Scare Subsides

Since the fight was started in North Chicago to combat the smallpox epidemic, more than 1,000 grade school pupils and adults have been vaccinated and scores of homes and school buildings have been thoroughly fumigated.

Dr. A. E. Budde, city health physician, stated that up to the middle of last week he had vaccinated 700 grade school pupils of the Lindberg and North schools and a few from Central school as well as 70 adults.

Dr. Charles Lieber, county physician, visited North Chicago and gave the preventive serum to a large number of students.

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