

### TOWNSHIP-COUNTY FEUD DELAYS RELIEF

Legion Council Awaits Legal Opinion; Give Medals to C.M.T.C.; Plan Convention at Lake Forest

By Dan Hunt.

A fish fry dinner accompanied by cool lake breezes ended one of the warmest "temperaturally" (if we may be allowed to coin the word) in the annals of Lake County Legion history. Held in Barnstable Hall, in Lake Villa, Friday, July the 17th, where Ben Hadad and his loyal fifteen Legionnaires hold forth, the evening saw much important business transacted relieved by humorous by-play.

Diversion was supplied under leadership of two good Waukegan Legionnaires, Bruno Henderson and Mancel Talcott, who with friends, gave each other the "chatauqua salute" upon his "having the floor." The spirit of fun was enjoyed and entered into by all delegates until Commander Kapschull insisted on order for business.

#### Poor Fund Tangle

Considerable discussion was entered into by Brad West, county Bogardus officer, over the present situation of the township-county feud on poor funds. The treasurer of the county, reported Brad West, had held up the payment of \$2,000 authorized Legion relief work under the Bogardus act because he was in doubt as to his duty. A legal ruling in the matter had been asked in the matter and until that had been rendered, Brad stated that his only hope was to continue such urgent relief as was necessary on a "charge" basis. If the fund was made available the bills would be paid, if not, then the individual posts might be expected to cover their own relief work.

Commander Kapschull reported on the efforts made to obtain compensation for two veterans and went into detail as to their disabilities and the work done to secure their compensation.

Mancel Talcott announced that the program of grave registration introduced by him while holding the office of graves registration officer for Lake county, had been adopted as a national system of registering graves of veterans. He also stated that he had been made custodian of the flags for burial purposes given by the federal government.

#### Exceed Last Year

The C.M.T.C. registrations had exceeded those of the previous year and would continue to do so, was the opinion of district C. M. T. C. chairman. He urged that the Legion start work on this activity early in order that the best available candidates be selected for the camps. Many parents, he said, had seen the good accomplished in these camps for boys and found that the outdoor life, military training, obedience to orders, had given the boys an entirely new and awakening outlook on life.

Brad West concurred in this opinion and offered the suggestion that this recommendation be presented to the state convention. To further aid in this work and increase interest of the young men the council authorized the purchase of two medals to be awarded to the two best students at this year's camp.

After enthusiastic reports had been issued by state headquarters a careful check-up turned optimism into pessimism, reported the Poppy Day chairman. Receipts for this year for Lake county were \$550 less than the previous year, said Emory Kirkman in his report.

At the request of the Veterans Bureau authorities, the Red Cross stopped their giving of cigarets to patients at North Chicago Hospital No. 105. Sharvin Post of that city has temporarily taken up the task, but the cost is so great as to necessitate early discontinuance on their part of this good work. According to Mancel Talcott, who happens to be prominent in Red Cross circles in Lake county, the Veterans bureau is planning to take over this work themselves but at present the plan has not yet been worked out. Due to Congressman Chindblom's activity in this matter, Talcott said, the Washington authorities had assured the congressman of immediate consideration to relieve the situation.

#### Hook Recovering

Leonard Hook, county finance officer, who had undergone a serious operation at the Great Lakes hospital, and whose life was despaired of for a time, sent in the report that he was home again and walking about but

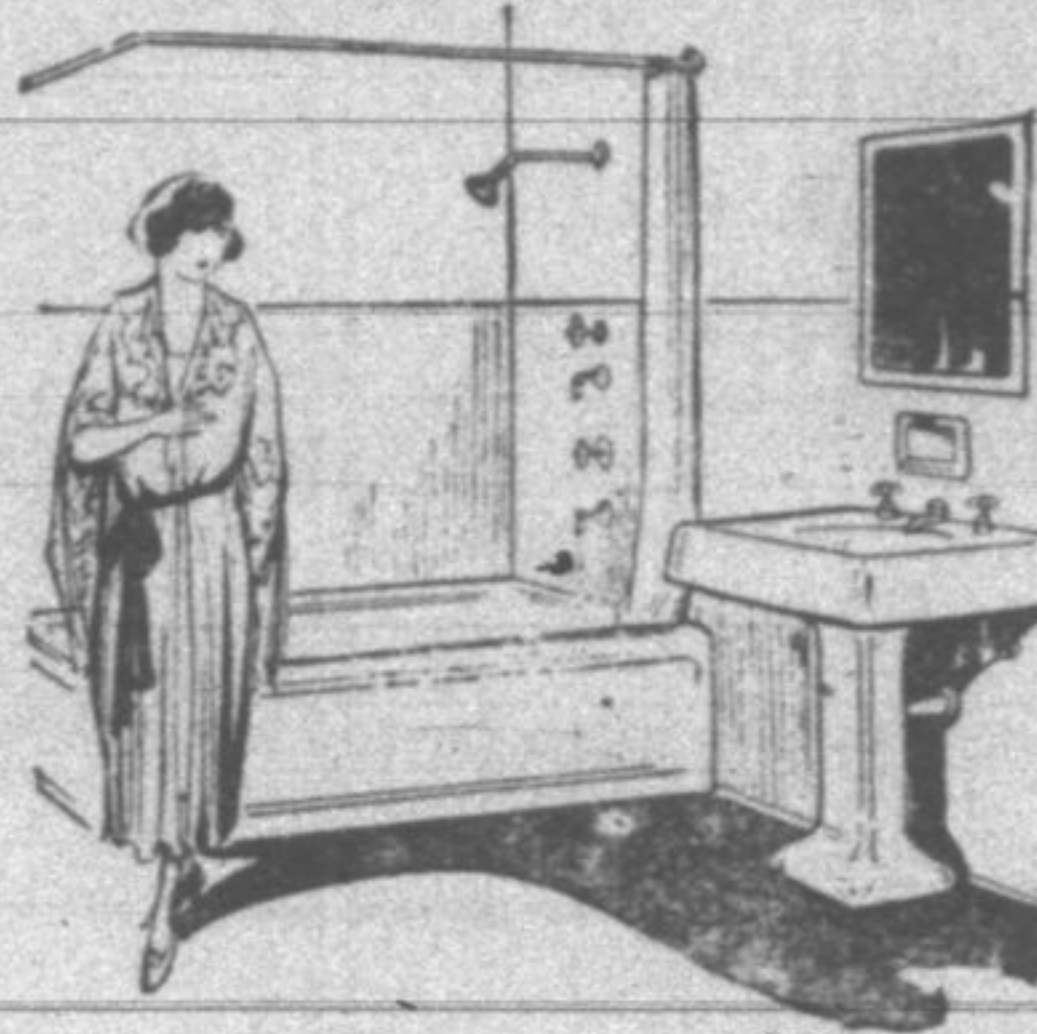
had not returned to work. Finances of the district were in excellent shape he concluded.

An urgent request was made by Commander Kapschull that all posts elect their delegates to the state convention that they might be present and discuss the same at the district convention to be held in Lake Forest at the Reed Memorial Library August 16. Harry Brown of Lake Forest assured the members that the new library had plenty of parking space outside and good seating capacity in the auditorium. He also mentioned

that the building was equipped with an air washing and cooling device that would make the meeting enjoyable, regardless of weather.

Post Commander Ben Hadad closed the meeting with the customary ritual followed by the announcement of the fish fry dinner, giving its location.

A German professor says it won't be many years until we will all be riding on rockets. We presume the popular warning then will be "Don't rock the rocket."



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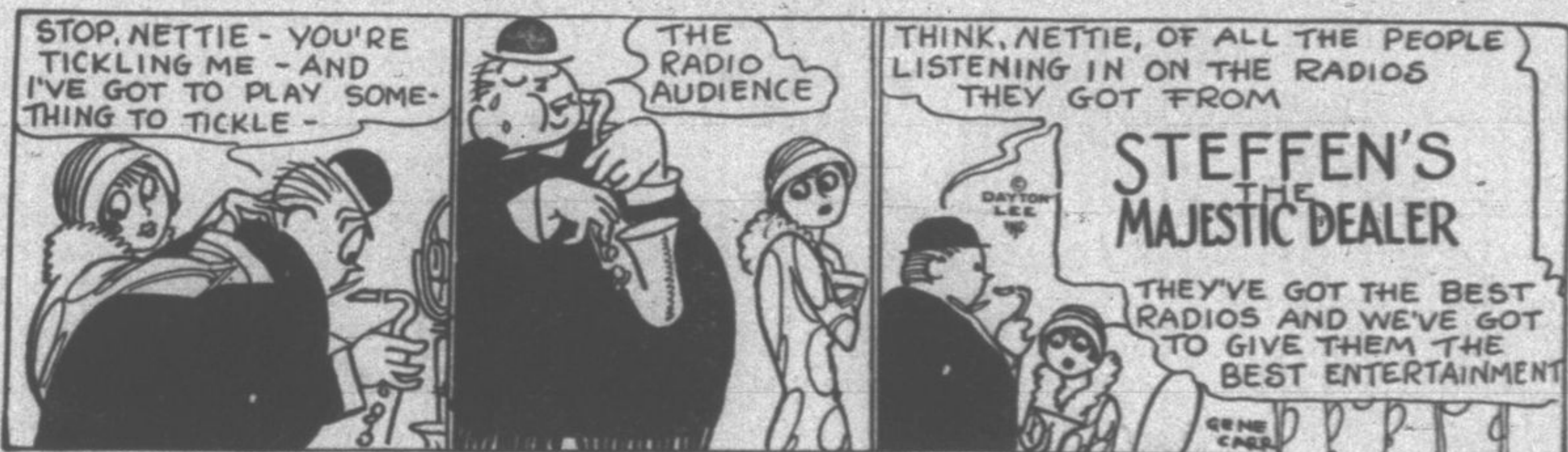
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