

TOWN IMPROVEMENT ORGANIZATION

Almost every community in the United States has had at some time or other some form of Town Improvement organization. It may be called the Board of Trade, the Chamber of Commerce, Business Men's Association, or simply the Improvement Society. It is constituted with a lot of oratory and parliamentary form. A constitution and by-laws, elaborate enough for the fundamental law of a state, are drawn up. A long list of committees is appointed. Most of the committee members go home welling with pride at the recognition given, but the majority of them never do anything. The scheme is never elaborated.

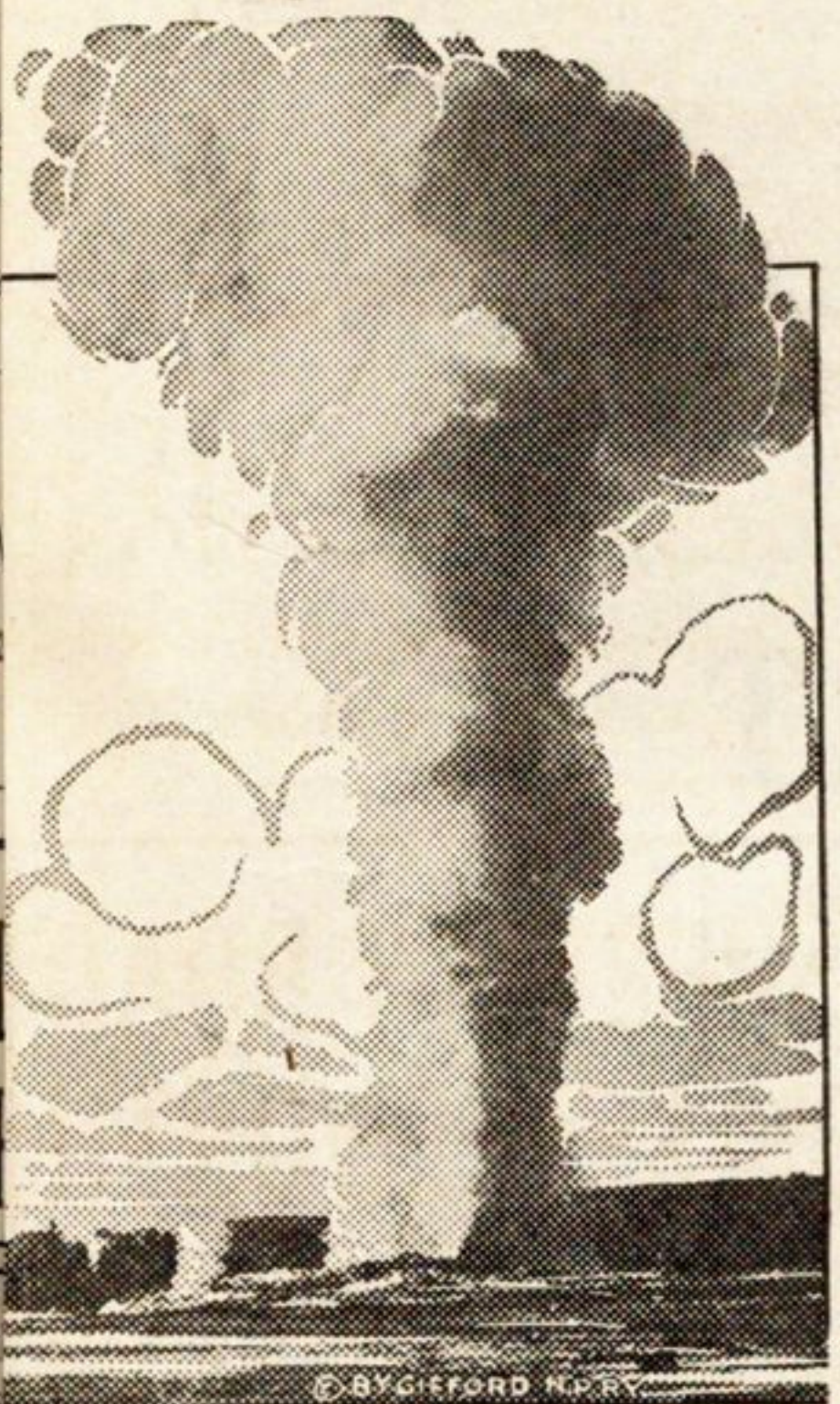
Boards of trade and business men's associations very frequently prove permanent without much effort. Their necessity and usefulness is too obvious to need argument. The dollar plotters have a tangible basis for their activity. Business men see that unless some such basis for co-operative effort is provided a village cannot advance commercially. And these associations often do exceedingly useful work along the line of village betterment, but this is more or less incidental.

There is room in every village also for a separate organization for village beautification, tree and shrub planting, park development, removal of unsightliness, promotion of order, betterment of housing conditions, in short, for the multifarious ends grouped under the word "Improvement." Such a society has two functions: to promote public sentiment, and to create working systems by which these ends can be permanently accomplished.

The average village improvement society has a few meetings at which there is much talk and little action. Usually one or two positive things are accomplished. After that interest languishes and soon the organization ceases to meet. How can public interest be stimulated so that such work can be a permanent force in the life of every community?

THROUGH YELLOWSTONE CANYON WITH TOURISTS

With a sweep of miles and miles into canyon constantly in view, the auto ride from the Gardiner entrance of Yellowstone Park to Mammoth Hot Springs, a distance of five miles, declared by tourists to be unequalled anywhere in this country.



Giant Geyser, Yellowstone National Park

Overlooking picturesque mountain streams and valleys, the winding roads pass through a country of rhythmic colors.

There is a gradual ascent between the two places as the tourist enters the park and interesting points en route about which chauffeurs are bombarded with questions by the initiated. Several of these views and a complete description of the park and its oddities will be shown at a lecture to be delivered by Prof. Charles Norton Hunt, well-known Northern Pacific lecturer, at Community House, Sunday evening, April 9, at 8 o'clock.

Among the great array of artists who will be heard at the North Shore Musical Festival, to be given at Evanston next month, will be Naomi Nazor, who made such a success last season that she was re-engaged for this, and Gustaf Holmquist. Both artists will take part in the interpretation of Pierne's "Children's Crusade," which will be given May 31.

VILLAGE OF WINNETKA

SPECIAL ASSESSMENT NOTICE

Winnetka Special Assessment Number 249.

IN THE COUNTY COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS.

Notice is hereby given to all persons interested that the Village of Winnetka, Cook County, Illinois, having ordered the improvement of the south side of Cherry Street from the west curb line of Locust Street to the west line extended of lot six (6), block nine (9) of Groveland Subdivision, by the construction therein of a Portland cement concrete sidewalk five (5) feet four (4) inches in width, five (5) inches thick at the center and four (4) inches thick at the edges, laid on six (6) inches of cinders, including all excavation, grading and preparation of subgrade to receive the cinder foundation, removal of surplus excavated materials, all in the Village of Winnetka, County of Cook and State of Illinois, the ordinance for the same being on file in the office of the Village Clerk of said Village, and the said Village having applied to the County Court of Cook County, Illinois, for an assessment of the cost of said improvement according to the benefits, and an assessment therefor having been made and returned to said Court, Docket Number 249, the final hearing thereon will be held on the thirtieth day of April, A. D. 1917, or as soon thereafter as the business of the Court will permit. All persons desiring may file objections in said Court before said day, and may appear on the hearing and make their defense. Said ordinance provides for the collection of said assessment in one payment, with interest thereon at the rate of five per centum (5%) per annum.

Dated, Winnetka, Illinois, April 9, A. D. 1917.

HARRY I. ORWIG,

Person appointed by the President of the Board of Local Improvements of the Village of Winnetka, Cook County, Illinois, (and such appointment approved and confirmed by the County Court of Cook County, Illinois) to make said assessment. 4-2t

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SPECIAL ASSESSMENT NOTICE

Winnetka Special Assessment Number 257.

IN THE COUNTY COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS.

Notice is hereby given to all persons interested that the Village of Winnetka, Cook County, Illinois, having ordered the improvement of the west side of Linden Street in front of lots nine (9), ten (10), eleven (11) and twelve (12) of block two (2), Dale's Second Addition; also of said west side of Linden Street, beginning at a line one hundred (100) feet north of the north line extended of Ash Street, thence north for a distance of one hundred sixty (160) feet, by the construction in the said street of a Portland cement concrete sidewalk five (5) feet four (4) inches in width, five (5) inches thick at the center, four (4) inches thick at the edges, laid on six (6) inches of sand or cinders, including all excavation, preparation of subgrade and removal of surplus excavated materials, all in the Village of Winnetka, County of Cook and State of Illinois, the ordinance for the same being on file in the office of the Village Clerk of said Village, and the said Village having applied to the County Court of Cook County, Illinois, for an assessment of the cost of said improvement according to the benefits, and an assessment therefor having been made and returned to said Court, Docket Number 257, the final hearing thereon will be held on the thirtieth day of April, A. D. 1917, or as soon thereafter as the business of the Court will permit. All persons desiring may file objections in said Court before said day, and may appear on the hearing and make their defense. Said ordinance provides for the collection of said assessment in one payment, with interest thereon at the rate of five per centum (5%) per annum.

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Miss Georgiana Owsley and her parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Knox Owsley of Winnetka, are passing the season at Coronado and Pasadena, Calif.

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SPECIAL ASSESSMENT NOTICE

Winnetka Special Assessment No. 252.

IN THE COUNTY COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS.

Notice is hereby given to all persons interested that the Village of Winnetka, Cook County, Illinois, having ordered the improvement of the east side of Locust Street from the south edge of the present walk along the north side of Elm Street to a line twenty-four (24) feet south of and parallel with the north line extended of Cherry Street, except the present pavements and walks, also to be laid along the west side of Locust Street from the present walk twenty-one (21) feet south of the south line extended of Spruce Street to a line twenty-four (24) feet south of and parallel with the north line extended of Cherry Street, except the present pavements and the present walks, by the construction in the said streets of a Portland cement concrete sidewalk five (5) feet four (4) inches in width, five (5) inches thick at the center and four (4) inches thick at the edges, laid on six (6) inches of cinders, including all excavations, grading, preparation of subgrade to receive the cinder foundation, and the removal of all surplus excavated materials, all labor and materials necessary, all in the Village of Winnetka, County of Cook and State of Illinois, the ordinance for the same being on file in the office of said Village, and the said Village having applied to the County Court of Cook County, Illinois, for an assessment of the cost of said improvement according to the benefits, and an assessment therefor having been made and returned to said Court, Docket Number 252, the final hearing thereon will be held on the seventh day of May, A. D. 1917, or as soon thereafter as the business of the Court will permit. All persons desiring may file objections in said Court before said day, and may appear on the hearing and make their defense. Said ordinance provides for the collection of said assessment in five (5) annual installments with interest thereon at the rate of five (5) per centum (5%) per annum.

Dated, Winnetka, Illinois, April 20, A. D. 1917.

HARRY I. ORWIG,

Person appointed by the President of the Board of Local Improvements of the Village of Winnetka, Cook County, Illinois (and such appointment approved and confirmed by the County Court of Cook County, Illinois) to make said assessment.

FREDERICK DICKINSON, Village Attorney. 5-2t

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SPECIAL ASSESSMENT NOTICE

Winnetka Special Assessment No. 253.

IN THE COUNTY COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS.

Notice is hereby given to all persons interested that the Village of Winnetka, Cook County, Illinois, having ordered the improvement of the southerly side of Vine Street, from the present walk to Railroad Avenue to the eastern curb line in Walden Road, by the construction in the said streets and avenues of a Portland cement concrete sidewalk five (5) feet four (4) inches in width, five feet (5) inches thick at the center and four (4) inches thick at the edges, laid on six (6) inches of cinders, including all excavation, grading, preparation of subgrade to receive the cinder foundation, and the removal of surplus excavated materials, in the Village of Winnetka, County of Cook and State of Illinois, the ordinance for the same being on file in the office of the Village Clerk of said Village, and the said Village having applied to the County Court of Cook County, Illinois, for an assessment of the cost of said improvement according to the benefits, and an assessment therefor having been made and returned to said Court, Docket Number 253, the final hearing thereon will be held on the seventh day of May, A. D. 1917, or as soon thereafter as the business of the said Court will permit. All persons desiring may file objections in said Court before said day, and may appear on the hearing and make their defense. Said ordinance provides for the collection of said assessment in one payment, with interest thereon at the rate of five per centum (5%) per annum.

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CAUSTIC COMMENTS

Display the flag. It will whisper "America Needs You" in someone's ear.

Many of the householders' idea of spraying the garden for insect pests is to sit on the doorstep and expectorate tobacco juice at the growing plants.

It is pretty tough on the single men who didn't dare ask a girl to marry them, now they find that bachelors are to be drafted for military service.

If the Kaiser wanted the United States to declare war, the way he ran his spy system over here was certainly a most efficient means of bringing it about.

After declaiming against the waste of food most people still continue to laugh at the oldtimer who used to make it a point to clean up everything on his plate.

Four hundred armed guards are patrolling the East River bridges at New York and wondering which of the 400,000 brown paper parcels carried over there every day may contain bombs.

In the old days bold and unprincipled men became pirates, and were hanged, or drowned in Davy Jones' Locker. Now they become food speculators and get elected to all the best social clubs.

The Germans are trying to get the negroes to rise against the government, and they are formidably armed and equipped with bones and tambos.

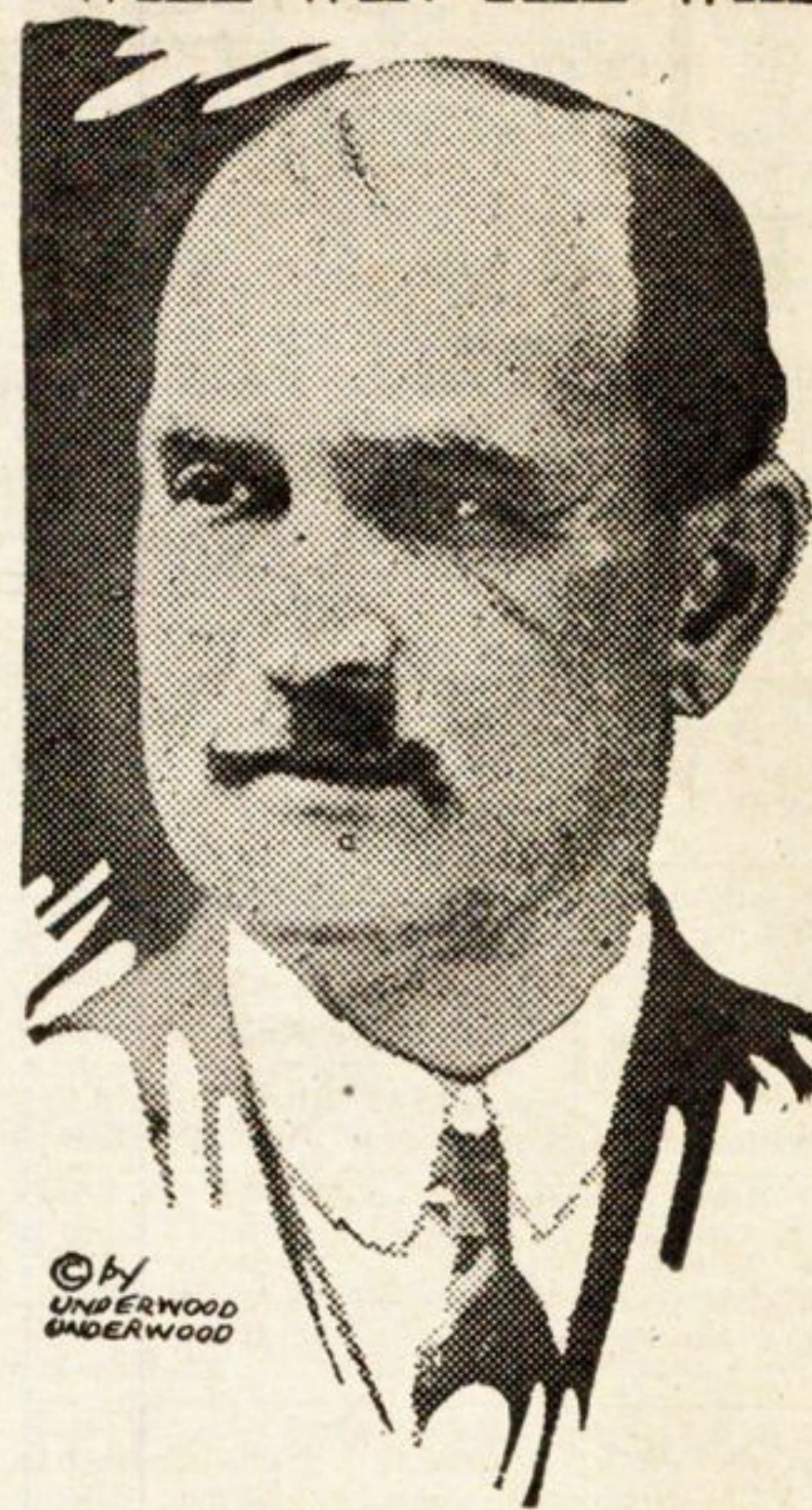
The income-tax payers perhaps didn't all realize that the first step in preparedness is getting the numbers of the people of large wealth.

If there are to be no more college athletics on account of the war, many of the boys will conclude it is time for them to stop fooling and get out into business.

It seems strange that with all the care taken to protect great public works from the plotters that our ball parks are not properly guarded.

It is not probable that President Wilson's argument made any impression on the Kaiser, but raising 2,000,000 men in a hurry may appeal to his sense of logic.

SAYS BREAD BULLETS WILL WIN THE WAR



Secretary of Agriculture Houston.

Secretary of Agriculture David F. Houston recently met in an all-day conference with representatives from all over the country excepting New England and the Pacific coast to plan an appeal to congress to pass laws guaranteeing a minimum price for all farm products and a minimum wage for all farm laborers. The secretary believes that "bread bullets" will win the war.

Some of the men who are trying to buy farm land at \$200 per acre, and raise two-dollar wheat, are the same ones who sold out at \$50 per acre and went into the city to make their fortunes.

Formerly many men wouldn't join the militia because the companies did nothing but have dances and wear gold lace and now they won't join because they are likely to be called into the war.

The people who manufacture shoe boxes should never forget to attach blacking and other things sold in tin in the country they get the express companies.

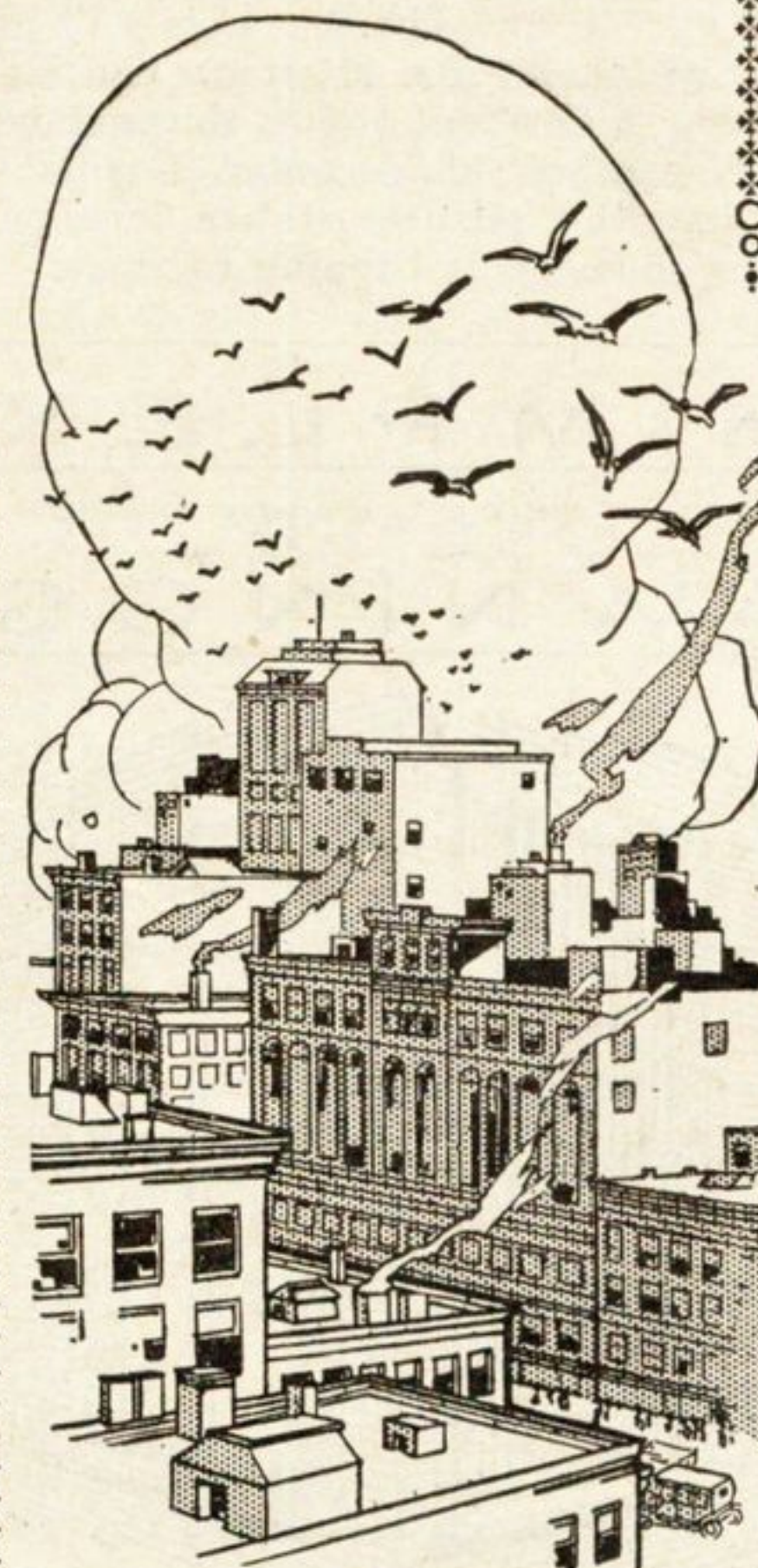
Before the food speculators get all the money in the country they might with profit to themselves take a day off and read what happened to the express companies.

When a macadam road gets to the point where it is a mere series of thank-you-marms hollowed out of the stone surfacing the motorist begins to long for the gravel, sand and clay that was originally there.

The restaurants now offer strawberry shortcake, guaranteed fresh from the cans.

Read All the Newspaper.

The Home Merchant Is Not a Migratory Bird



He is in the town to STAY. If HE is prosperous THE TOWN is prosperous. If the town is prosperous YOU ARE SURE TO SHARE in the prosperity. When you send your dollar out of town you KISS IT GOODBY. TRADE AT HOME