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**As To The Senatorial Situation**

The time grows short before the primary election on September 11, and conditions are beginning to show that the time of fruition of campaign efforts is at hand.

On the County ticket there are no complications, every evidence pointing to the appreciation of the people that good candidates have been offered on the Loyalist ticket and a determination in the thinking Republicans to endorse that group of candidates for nomination. It is in the Congressional and Senatorial situation that there looms the possibility of not quite smooth sailing for the candidates whose names will appear upon the primary ballot.

Rumor comes from the down state district that Congressman George E. Foss is making progress in securing support, not a sufficiently persistent rumor to warrant a suspicion that the unexpected may happen and Mr. Foss poll votes enough on the eleventh of next month to place his name upon the ticket in the general election in November, but enough to produce some small degree of anxiety that he may, by his speaking tour in the central and southern parts of the state, turn votes enough from Medill McCormick to award victory in the primary to Chicago's mayor, suspected of pro-German sympathies, an event which, if not anticipated, could have but one result the return of James Hamilton Lewis to the United State Senate.

A large part of Congressman Foss' popularity with the people outside Cook county is his persistent claim to paternity of the American Navy because he was chairman of the House Committee on Naval Affairs at the time the Great Lakes Training station was born and the belief which he does not fail to foster that Medill McCormick, being himself a very rich man, cannot have that detachment from wealth that the rural population would like to see in their representative in Congress.

Late developments in the Senatorial race, then, signify that Foss is gaining just enough in the state outside Cook county to imperil the nomination of Medill McCormick and to turn the balance in favor of William Hale Thompson.

It is among the very easily probable things that in order to prevent the nomination of Mayor Thompson, with the consequent delivery of Cook county politics into the hands of the "City Hall gang" and the ultimate election of Senator Lewis, who will be the Democratic nominee, it will be necessary for the Deneen and the Loyalist factions to get together on a neutral candidate, run him in the general election upon an Independent ticket, and, by combining their strength, contrive to elect a man really qualified for the work

that is to be done in the Senate of the United States while the nation is at war.

To make such a program successful it will be necessary before August twenty-sixth for the petitions of both McCormick and Foss to be withdrawn, in order that in the election in November neither name appear upon the ticket to draw votes from this neutral candidate running an Independent ticket. Nominally Thompson would thus be left as the Republican nominee, but when the final day of choice comes, those Republicans who stand to support the Loyalist and the Deneen tickets would cast their votes for the Independent candidate and the race would be really between him and Senator Lewis, for Mayor Thompson would draw little support from the electorate outside Cook county.

There are many men who have the qualifications for making such a race, such men as Harrison B. Riley, who has already an intimate knowledge of war and war matters, or James A. Patten. John G. Shedd, Julius Rosenwald, or any one of the great business minds of Chicago, would enlist popular support as well as warrant endorsement by the Republican leaders opposed to the Thompson candidacy. Such men could and would give expert service to the government. They have the habit of work and the mind with a power of vision which reveals more to them than what is transpiring at the end of their noses. With the backing of the two factions opposed to Mayor Thompson as the Republican nominee, such a man could be elected with very great benefit to the country in general and very great credit to the state of Illinois.

**Communication**

Editor Winnetka Weekly Talk,

For some years prior to 1916, the enjoyment of a summer in Winnetka was marred by vast hordes of mosquitoes which infested the Village. Most of us will remember how obnoxious these pests became, but I doubt whether we fully appreciated what has wrought the change.

I may be wrong, but I think it is almost entirely due to the cleaning up of Village water pools, and the draining of the Skokie marshes.

One will be surprised today to find the territory west of Winnetka, south of Willow road, east of the Northwestern tracks transformed from a marsh land incapable of bearing crops, into fertile fields, well drained and practically incapable of breeding mosquitoes.

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Winnetka Weekly Talk,  
Winnetka, Illinois.

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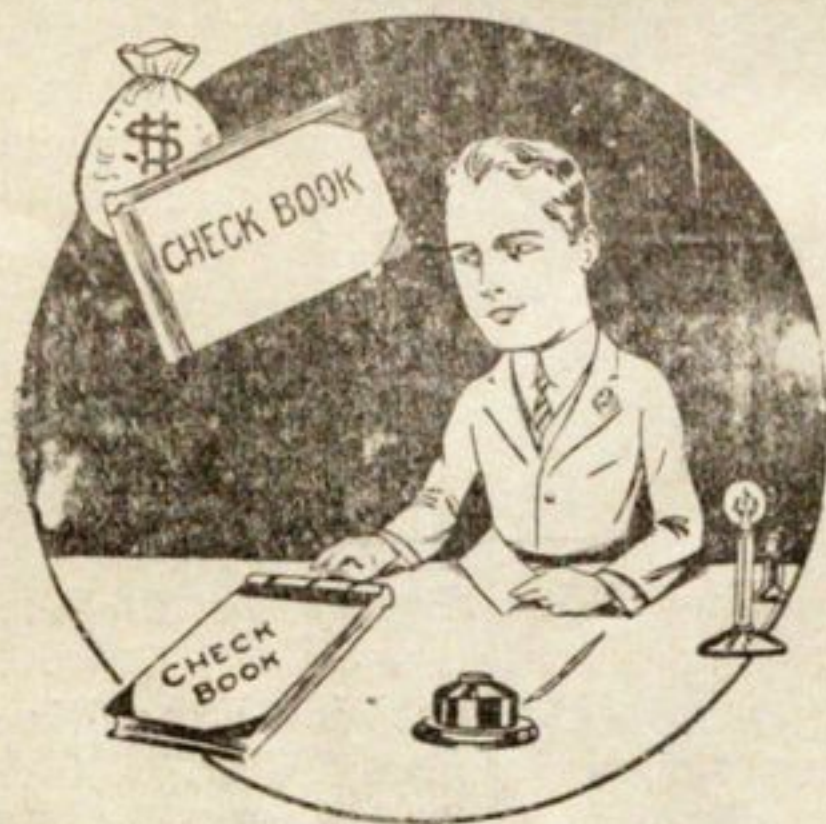
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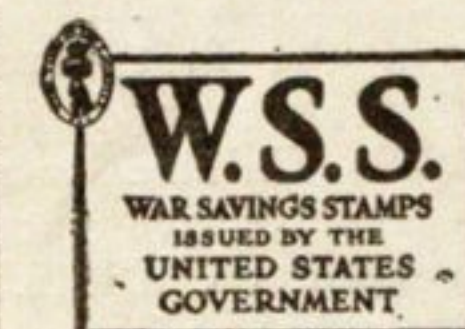
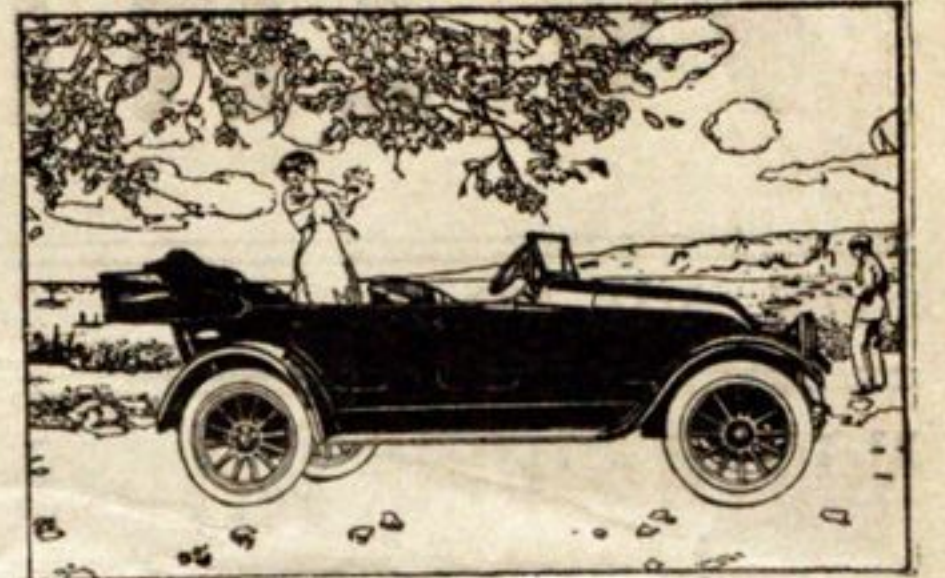
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