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Hearing From Home

President Wilson is not alone in the unpleasant experience of having his government at home sending messages demanding that he do this and so at the peace conference. Premier Lloyd George has had such a communication from the British House of Commons, insisting that he make out a bill against Germany for the full cost of the war, present it to Germany, compel the German government to acknowledge it, and then begin the discussion of the ways and means for its payment. The Premier replied by a threat to appeal to the country in a general election, forcing a governmental crisis, even though he must face his constituents without the head of the Kaiser or a promise of full reparation from Germany.

David Lloyd George is one of the shrewdest politicians that England has ever known. He is popular with the people. He is looked upon as their savior from defeat at the hands of Germany. He probably feels that he has sufficient strength to go through such a crisis as he threatens, a sense of security that is lacking to the members of the Commons, who seem to be bringing their fate upon their own heads.

Every once in a while events suggest the thought that David Lloyd George, the humble Welshman who has risen to the highest position in England, under the crown, has not in vain studied the methods and the ways of that other commoner who also rose to eminence, Benjamin Disraeli.

Their Work Done

A study of the nationality of the thousand aliens who embark for their homes each day would be interesting. It might, for instance, give rise to speculation as to about how many of our friend the enemy were here for a purpose, which being accomplished or rendered unnecessary by the conclusion of the war, permits their return to the places that knew them before they embarked upon their secret mission.

A thousand a day is a good many, but there is good reason to suspect that the German secret service was pretty generously provided with American territory for its operation.

COUNCIL PLANS MANY VILLAGE IMPROVEMENTS

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Village Hall	90,000
Retirement of 5 installments of filtration bonds with interest	36,000
Provision for other desirable improvements	40,000
Reserve for depreciation, contingencies, etc.	47,073

Total

Filtration Bond Issue Recommended

The adoption of this program will enable the Village to secure the realization of those improvements which have been under consideration for several years, at the same time leaving an adequate reserve in the water and electric department for contingencies of operation. By the issuance of bonds for the construction of a filtration plant, at this time, the resources of the Village are made more immediately available, so that work may be started during the coming construction season without further delay.

While the present cash surplus is approximately \$121,000, any consider-

able portion of this amount could not be utilized for the construction of a filtration plant without holding up necessary improvements to the water and light plant as well as the construction of a much needed municipal yard and utility building.

An additional reason for a bond issue at this time lies in the fact that the filtration plant is essentially an improvement of the water department, and should be financed thereby, as a matter of good bookkeeping. It is the customary method by which any corporation provides for the growth or improvement of its business and constitutes a clear cut proposition, whereby improvements to the water department are paid for by the future earnings of that department.

Another consideration lies in the fact that the Village has invested \$45,000 of its present cash surplus in Liberty bonds, and will probably subscribe an additional amount to the fifth loan, which bonds it would be necessary to sell at a considerable loss in the near future as we did not resort to a bond issue for constructing the filtration plant.

While authority for the issuance of bonds in the amount of \$90,000 for a filtration plant is recommended by the Council, it is quite possible that only a portion of this amount may be actually issued, the balance being held in the Village treasury until the funds are actually needed. This will guarantee the Council against any financial handicap in promptly constructing the projects needed, enabling it to adjust the available amount of cash on hand to the financial needs, at all times.

The foregoing program, both as to nature of improvements stated, and proposed method of financing the same, is herewith presented to the citizens of Winnetka, with our strong recommendation for its active support.

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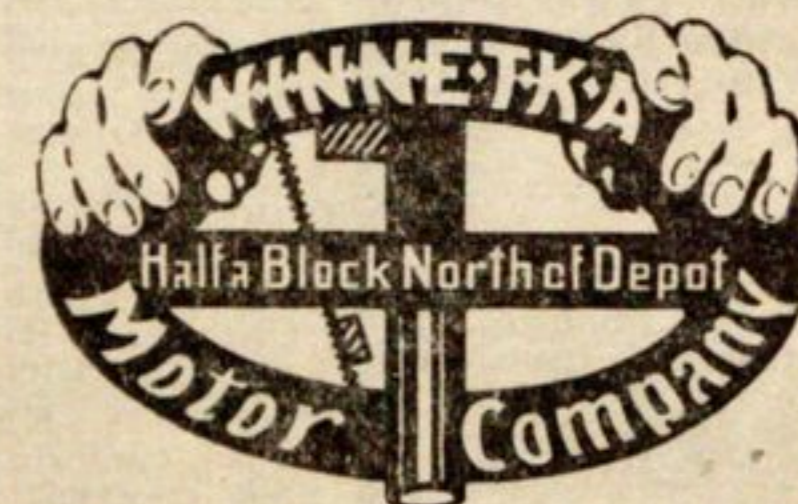
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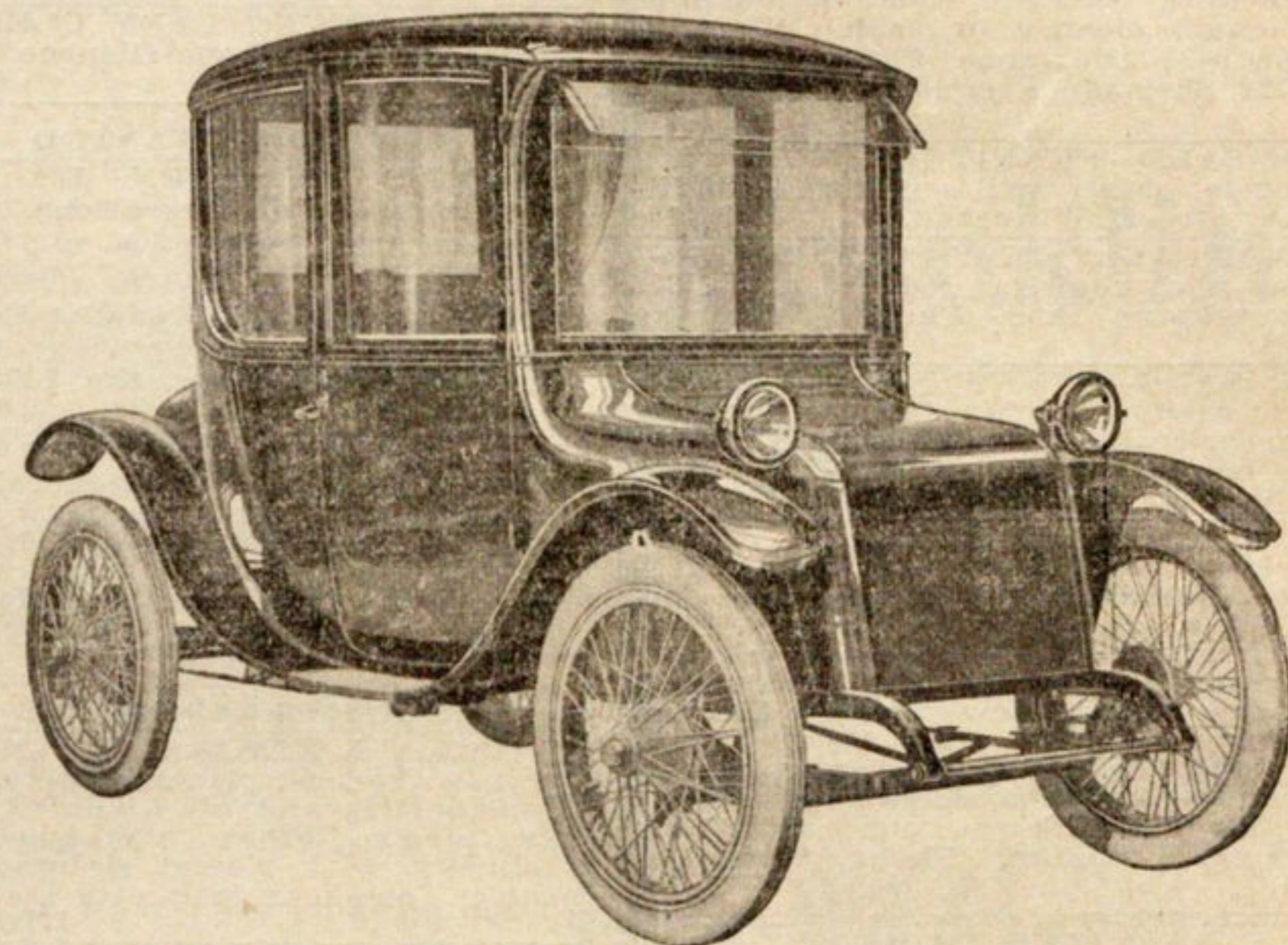
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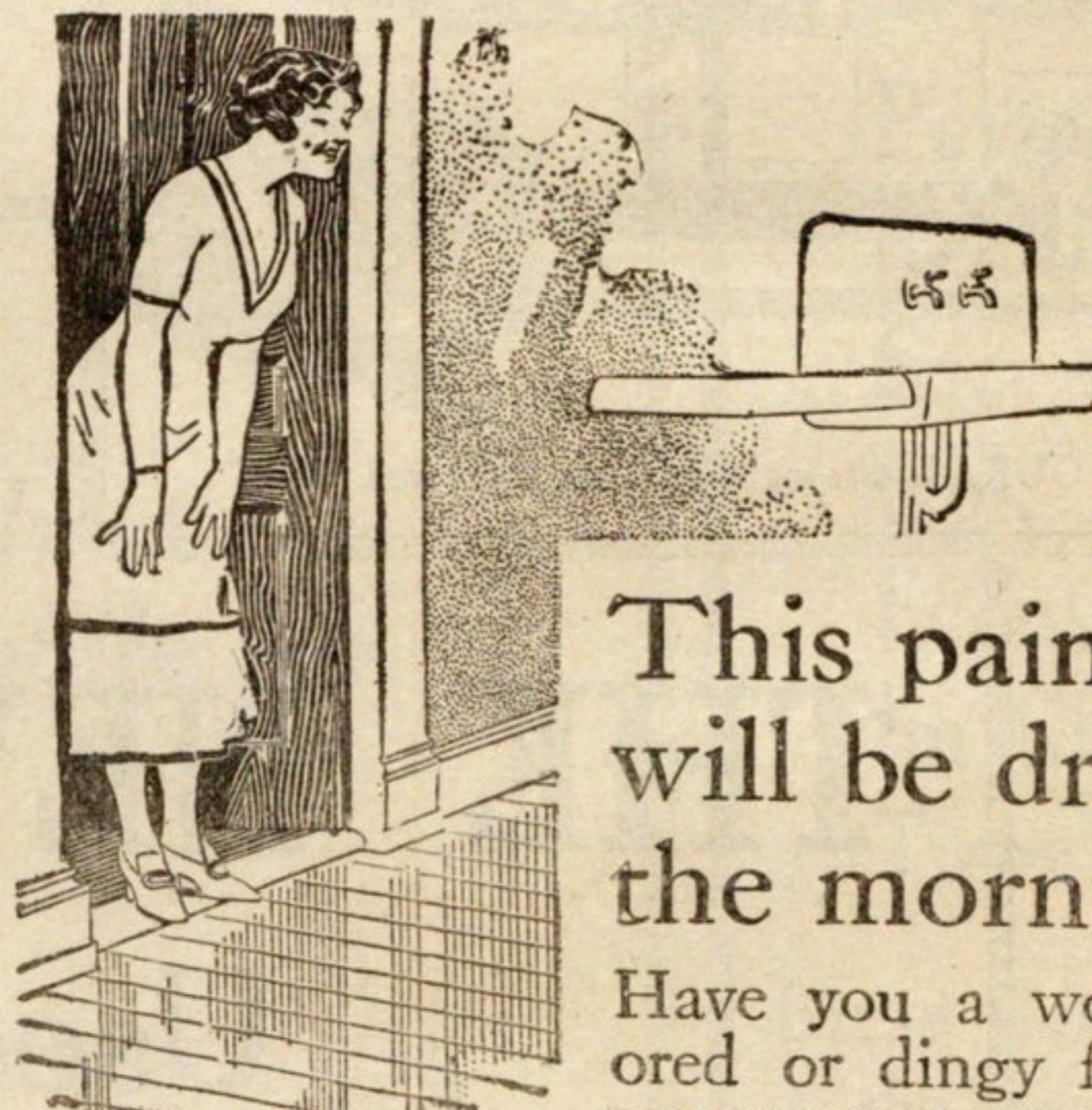
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