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## Our Ailment And Its Cure

We have arrived somewhere when we come to a diagnosis of the ill from which we are suffering. We know how serious the condition is, and we can find out what must be done to correct it.

We have had various diagnoses of our national ailment whose prominent symptom is the high cost of living, but none which has the practical sound that placing the responsibility upon the lowered production of all the essentials of life has. This brings the situation down to one of supply and demand, and into the understanding of everybody.

We need not look far for the cure. Everybody holds it within his own hands, at least a contribution to it. It is work.

During the war we were able to establish the slogan, "Work or Fight," and to make every able-bodied man accept it as his own, on penalty of arrest. We ought to be able to maintain the universal application to some useful task, even under the industrial conditions of today. It is quite as important now for everybody to do what he can to that end. This is no time for idleness and waste. The welfare of the country demands application to some useful task and the young manhood, as well as of the contribution of the strength of the womanhood of the nation, to the production of a sufficient amount of materials needful for the life of the people.

Instead of the adoption of this program of universal work we have had the sorry sight of men and women banded together to demand the shortest possible working day. We have seen the supply of food materials destroyed, or stored with the deliberate intention of keeping up the price by the reduction of the supply. We have seen the nation, so generally as to be almost universal, yielding to the temptation to seize the opportunity to make a little money before the time has passed in which exploitation of the public is possible. It is this general disposition to profiteer—for profiteering may cover any action that has for its purpose the cutting down of the supply, even by a refusal to work except for terms that are unjust—that accounts for all the financial difficulties which all but the very few have to face.

Organization of groups of men makes it possible for demands to be insisted upon. That same organization could be utilized to break up the condition of lessened production and the early reduction of the cost of living, if the people who compose them were but minded to utilize their power for that altruistic purpose.

This is what we are coming to, what we must come to if we are ever to arise from the oppressive conditions that beset us today. We must be willing to sacrifice the little in order that the great good may come out of it. We must accept our individual share of the general work of reorganization if we are to be freed from the present burdens. It is not the fault of any single person or group of persons that things are as they are. Everyone who is not doing all that he can to offset the shortage with which we must reckon, either by adding to the production or by saving in his consumption, or

# Winnetka Man Holds North Shore Favors De Young and Miller As 'Con-Con' Delegates

By Frederick W. Burlingham

The Seventh Senatorial district and the Township of New Trier are facing an interesting situation in the coming primary election to be held on September 10.

There are two to be elected in each district, and under the law the nominations are to be made by parties in order to comply with our present constitutional requirements. Since the district is overwhelmingly Republican the Democrats have not put up any candidates at the primaries; the result of this will be that on election day there will be no candidates in the democratic column. Hence the Republican nominees will have the immense advantage of being unopposed unless independent petitions be filed later.

Under these circumstances the primary assumes the importance of an election and we must look at the nominees with more than ordinary care. While other districts in Cook county are weak in their nominees, the Republican organization here has given us every reason to be proud of the situation.

In presenting Frederic R. DeYoung of Harvey and Amos C. Miller of Kenilworth they have honored themselves and New Trier as well. Mr. DeYoung's fine service in the Legislature is still fresh in our minds. He led the fight on the floor for the passage of the measure calling the Constitutional Convention, served usefully on the executive committee which secured its adoption by the people and now will bring to the convention itself experience and

capacity that will make him a leader in this most vital work.

Mr. Miller lives in New Trier which is thus honored in furnishing a worthy running mate to Mr. DeYoung. He is a level headed, hard fighting lawyer who has the distinct advantage of official connection and active work with one of our successful manufacturing corporations. His tireless industry and sound judgment cannot fail to make him a marked man in the convention.

A third candidate J. C. Strong is apparently not to be taken seriously but William H. Malone deserves a word of comment, inasmuch as he has already started a vigorous advertising campaign for himself.

He uses the time worn but still popular appeal that he is going to protect our pocket-books and tells of his heroic fight when the "invisible government" and "legislative machinery" combined to abolish the State Board of Equalization; if Mr. Malone's memory were only better he would remember that he was elected in 1912 definitely pledged by his party platform to abolish the State Board of Equalization. In other words he used the cry for a much needed reform to get himself elected—he got elected and enjoyed the office so much for seven years—that when the reform became a possibility he forgot his pledge to the people and fought against it, and now seeks to use his own betrayal of his pledge as a badge of merit to get the people to give him another job. That's the sort of a candidate the people can get along without.

## Call Malone Small Tax Payers' Champion

Friends of William H. Malone, candidate for delegate to represent the Seventh Senatorial district at the Illinois Constitutional Convention, have presented the following pertinent facts in support of Mr. Malone's candidacy. Primary Day is Wednesday, September 10. The following is an extract from the Cook County Herald.

### Do You Know?

Why William H. Malone has been called the fighting champion of the small tax payers of the entire state?

Do you know that as your public servant, he fought for you in Springfield as a member of the State Board of Equalization?

Do you know that the railroads and large tax dodging corporations had their assessments increased over fifty million dollars last year, and because these corporations could not control William H. Malone, they got behind a bill which abolished the office to which you elected him, before the term of that office had expired?

Do you know that the Pullman company is now in court trying to dodge the payment of a five million dollar increase in their assessment placed against them by your elected servants, the State Board of Equalization?

Do you know that the State Board of Equalization's increased assessment against the Pullman company means that this corporation must pay \$317,000 into the State treasury more this year than last year?

Do you know the Chicago, Milwaukee and St. Paul railroad assessment was increased \$209,300?

Do you know that the Chicago and Eastern Illinois Railroad company assessment was increased \$351,500?

Do you know that the Baltimore and Ohio, Chicago Terminal railroad assessment was increased \$610,000?

Do you know that the Southern railroad assessment in Illinois was increased \$329,700?

Do you know that the St. Louis,

Iron Mountain and Southern railroad assessment in Illinois was increased \$119,000?

Do you know the Street Railway companies of Chicago were given a gross aggregate increase of \$6,213,113?

Do you know the Chicago Telephone company assessment was increased \$85,000?

Do you know the Commonwealth Edison company were given a gross aggregate increase of \$1,675,032?

Do you know that the St. Louis Merchange Bridge company of East St. Louis, Illinois, was given a gross increase of \$1,800,000?

Do you know the St. Louis Electric Bridge company of East St. Louis, Illinois, was given a gross increase of \$1,050,000?

Do you know that Boetius Sullivan, son of Roger Sullivan, is the attorney for the Pullman company in their fight in trying to dodge their just share of taxes?

Do you know that Boetius Sullivan was the attorney for the Peoples Gas Light and Coke company when they appealed from the assessment placed against them by the State Board of Equalization?

Do you know that every Roger Sullivan democrat in the last session of the legislature voted to abolish the State Board of Equalization?

Do you know that the State Board of Equalization was only abolished because it could not be controlled by the corporations?

Do you know that 19 of the 25 elected members of the State Board of Equalization, which was abolished, were Republicans?

Do you know that three men appointed now take their place?

Do you know that William H. Malone, Republican candidate for Delegate to the Constitutional Convention from the country towns, initiated and fought for these increases against the corporations and was still fighting in your interest when the board was abolished?

—Cook County Herald.

both when both are possible, is adding to the misery with which the world is afflicted.

It is a matter not concerned alone with economics. It is a problem for the individual conscience to meet and to adjust with the program of life.

### Seeking The Higher Plane

Frank P. Walsh, labor leader, says that it is not essentially larger wages that the men of the organization with which he is associated are concerned, nor even a materially shortened working day. What they are seeking is a newer and better plane of life. If he speaks for organized labor in the United States, the world must pause to admire the aspiration while lamenting the methods by which it would be realized.

The higher and better plane of life has little to do with income, beyond what is necessary to provide shelter

and sufficient food and clothing for comfort. It comes from within, from individual aspiration after the better things, from ambition and a determination to take to oneself the advantages that are offered and to resist the temptation into the easy ways of the shiftless and the easily amused.

Today we have the nomalous situation of the milk man enjoying an income about equal to that of the college instructor. That he does not conduct his life on the higher and better plane that the educated man insists upon and sacrifices to maintain, is not the fault of the money that comes in and goes out. It results from the different ideals and standards that are entertained and set in the household.

### Bible School Opening

Reverend J. W. F. Davies, assistant pastor of the Winnetka Congregational church, announces the re-

sumption of the Bible school sessions at the church beginning Sunday, September 14, at 9:30 o'clock. All departments of the school will commence regular Sunday morning classes on that date and pupils are urged to be present and to invite others to attend the classes.

### Winnetka Wins Again

The Winnetka Triangle A. C. defeated the Boys' club Sunday afternoon at Winnetka 3-2. The game was a thriller from start to finish. The Triangles will play Glenview Sunday afternoon at Glenview.

### Daily Thought.

Every day, as it rises out of eternity, keeps putting to each of us this question afresh: What will you do before this day has sunk into eternity and nothingness remains?—F. W. Robertson.



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I have been more and more convinced, the more I think of it, that, in general, pride is at the bottom of all great mistakes. All the other passions do occasional good; but whenever pride puts in its word, everything goes wrong, and what it might really be desirable to do, quietly and innocently, it is mortally dangerous to do proudly.—Ruskin.

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