

older children but are not giving the same thought to the needed enlargement of present Horace Mann playground. By the way, the present playgrounds are under water and about as useful as my back yard to the children. Peculiar, they talk so much about playground facilities and in actual fact pay so little attention to the drainage of the Horace Mann grounds, which could be done by cleaning out catch basins. The same applies to Greeley vacant ground around the building. Neither do they seem to think it necessary to enlarge the playground around these schools, which is just as essential for lower grades as the 7th and 8th grades.

**"Running Wild"**

Everything seems to be running wild on the playground for the 7th and 8th grades and the only value the lower grades are going to get in the proposed scheme of the School Board is a little more room in the present building—a very little of that, too, for the Board speaks of such an increase in lower grades based on facts of last few years and greater boom in building of residences all along the north shore and particularly Winnetka.

When the whole plan of raising money by popular subscription was presented I was indifferent, believing the School Board had naturally given the matter plenty of thought, and were sure of the wisdom of building 7th and 8th grade facilities a mile away from the logical location. I find in talking to friends that they too have given the matter but casual thought figuring the Board knew more about it and though they couldn't see the location, they were willing to help in getting proper school facilities for Winnetka children.

I heard that someone has advanced an argument to the effect that the Horace Mann site is too close to the business center. The School Board seems to think it good enough to continue for lower grades and certainly as an argument to build 7th and 8th grade facilities at the most inconvenient location it is rather inconsistent.

I am convinced at this writing that there has been an error in judgment by the Board and their plan is not based on much else than an argument for more playground for 7th and 8th grade children. I want, therefore, to give my efforts toward what is a better plan for Winnetka as a whole for all grades, both as to inside and outside facilities. I certainly feel also the auditorium could be used more generally in a central location and be more than an accommodation for just 7th and 8th grades.

I came to this conclusion after listening to the arguments pro and con and feel sure that my change in support, based on closer interest in the matter, is but what will be found a growing sentiment.

If the information can be spread so that the merit of one plan can be compared with the other, I am sure the wisdom of the Horace Mann site, when enlarged as proposed by the School association, will be quickly endorsed.

Earle S. Barber.

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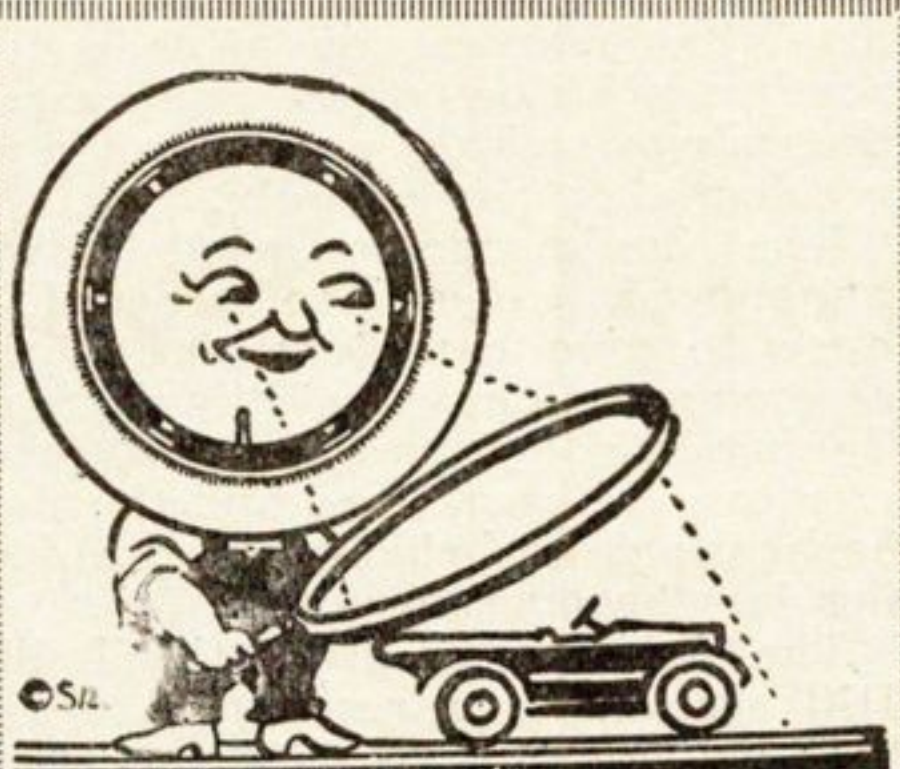
If you happen to be a Boy Scout and can find someone to "frame" this proposition it will be comparatively easy to come by some "Eat a lots" candies at the Winnetka Pharmacy, gratis.

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When time comes for trial you select Judge Charles M. Thomson, to sit in judgment at Community House. Boy Scouts must comprise attorneys for both state and de-

fense and the jury must positively be composed of Boy Scouts.

Holden Anderson, local Scout, went through that experience last Thursday at Community House. Of course, it was a mock affair. Judge Thomson presided. Attorney's for the state were Scouts Fred Roe and Sidney Spiegel. Scout Luther Adams was counsel for the defense, assisted by George Eisendrath. The jury was composed entirely of Winnetka Scouts. The "trial" was open to the public and terminated only after two hours of heated cross examination and attorney's arguments. The jury came back with a not guilty verdict, charging a "frame-up." Of course all but the "trial" didn't really happen.



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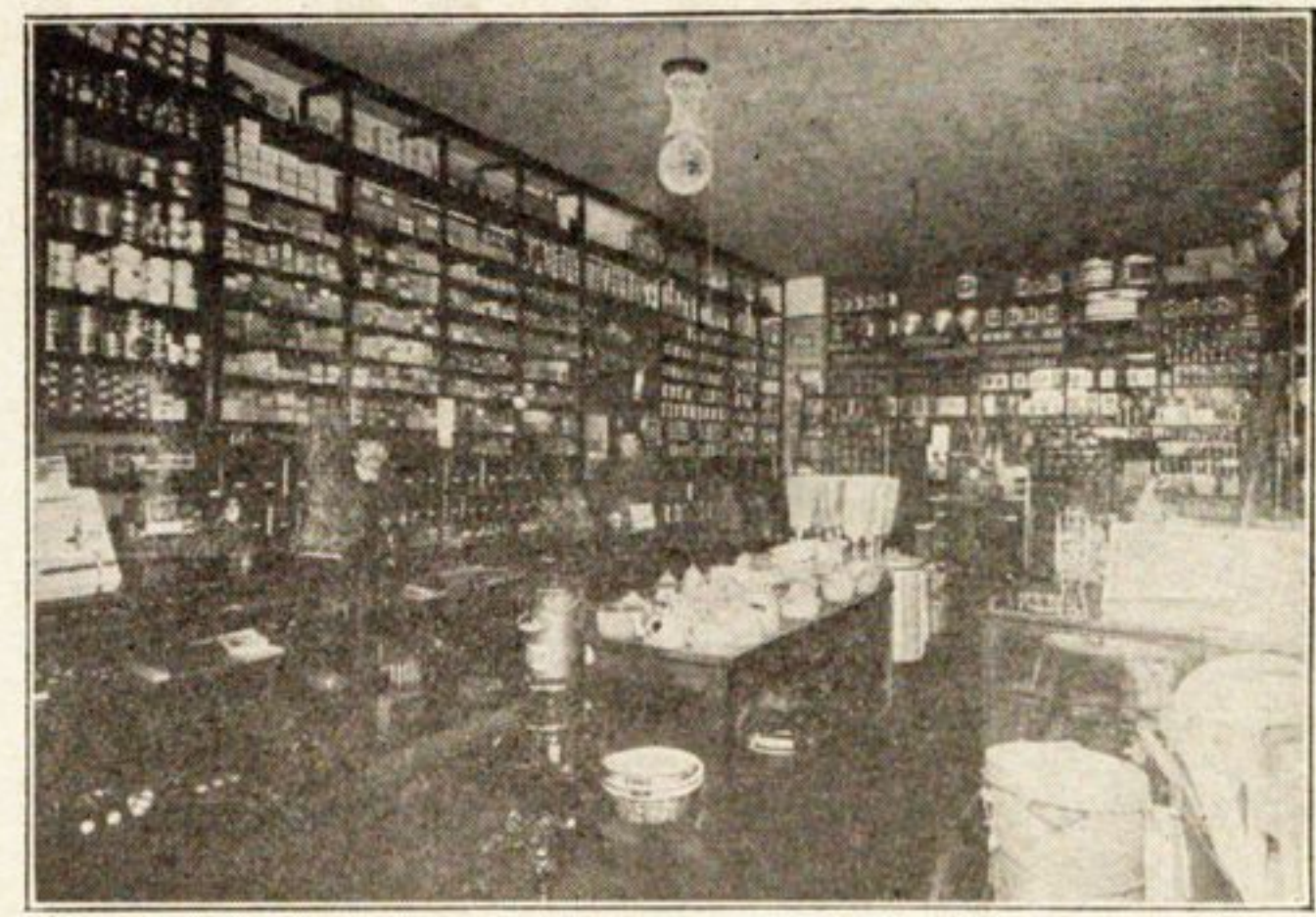
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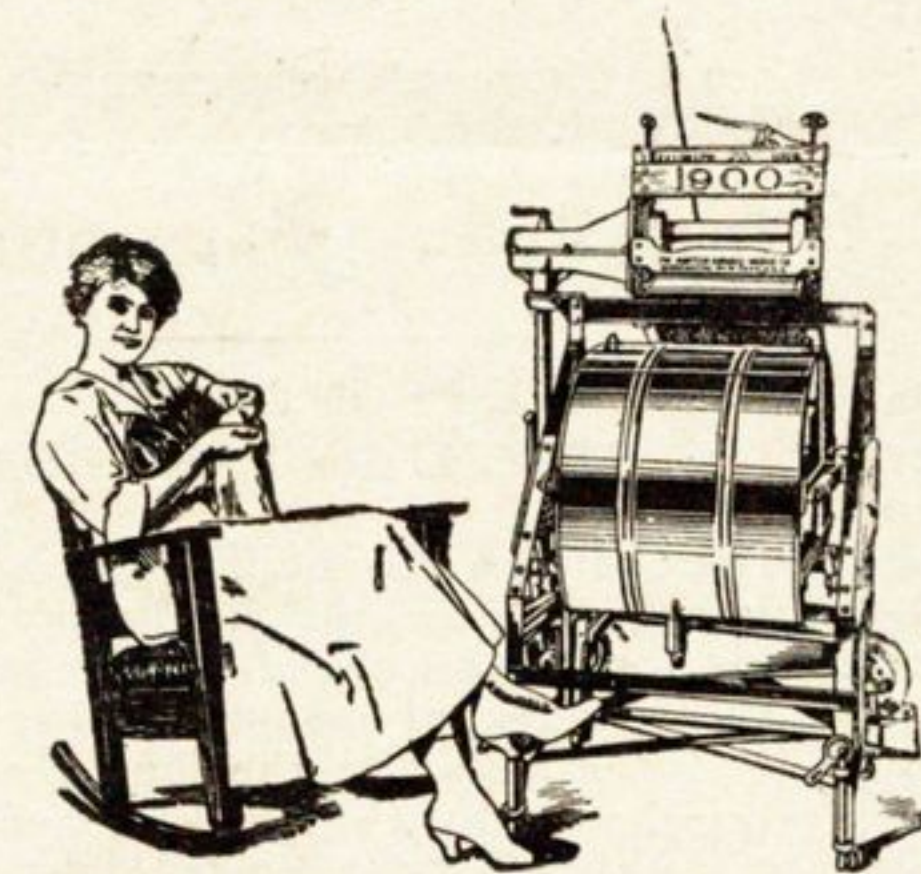
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