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Results Of Children's Year

The effect of the campaign for improvement of the childhood of the nation during Children's Year and the follow-up work that has been carried on through Child Welfare organizations and the Children's Bureau in Washington will never be accurately known, but a suggestion of the benefit that has resulted from the agitation of the subjects of infant mortality and the institution of centers in which the health of the children of the community should be watched and safeguarded is given in the report, which shows a material decrease in the death rate for children under the age of one year and an improvement in the vital statistics which have been so inadequately kept in this country.

The real value of the campaign to improve the conditions under which the children of the nation are born and live, if they are strong enough to withstand them, will not be seen until the present generation of babies has grown to maturity. But every year should add to the improvement of conditions and the effect upon the childhood affected by them can be awaited without any particular impatience. However, the encouraging report of the infant mortality survey should serve to stimulate interest in the work of the Child Welfare stations and impress the people of the community in which such a station operates with the value of that institution.

Movies And Education

The usual program in the motion picture theater includes an educational film of some sort, travel, the story of the manufacture of some article generally used, an historical episode, the presentation of some scientific problem, all these are seen upon the screen from time to time by the "movie fan." They are never made the "feature" of the program, they always are cast in the modest role of filler. It is all the public will accept in the way of instruction, and even so, more often than the audience would seek of its own accord.

The movie as an educational factor is employed in schools, in churches, in clubs, everywhere that it is advisable to present facts in such a way as not to discourage the audience. There are films to show nearly everything, from the Bible story to the latest developments of science. They furnish the way to learning made easy, a popular thoroughfare to travel, though it remains to be seen just where it brings out.

As a means to an end in education the movies have their value. But as a substitute for the mental application that alone produces education, they fall short, very far short. The acquisition of facts is not education, but the power to use the mind, a purpose that the movies not only do not serve but tend to discourage. Learning may be made entirely too easy to be lasting and that which is gained through the mere looking at pictures is likely to be of that type. Let us by all means use what the science of photography has put into our hands, but let us not abuse it to the hurt of the young people who are seeking education.

Vote By Mail

Provision has been made by which the voter who must be absent from home on election day may cast his vote by mail. The progress is not at all involved. There is no red tape to be untied before the privilege is secured. There is nothing to prevent the man or woman who knows that he or she will be unable to vote in person on November 2 from securing for himself or herself that privilege through the mails.

The injustice of disfranchising the considerable number of people who are unavoidably kept away from their voting homes on election day has long been deplored. That legal pro-

vision has been made to remove this injustice should be appreciated by everybody who realizes the value of the voting privilege. It should be accepted by the absentee voter as an evidence of recognition of the effort to preserve to him his rights of citizenship and as a means of discharging his duty as a citizen. It requires only a little foresight and trouble. And it opens the way to participation in a most important event.

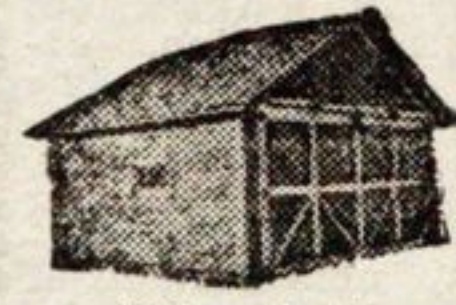
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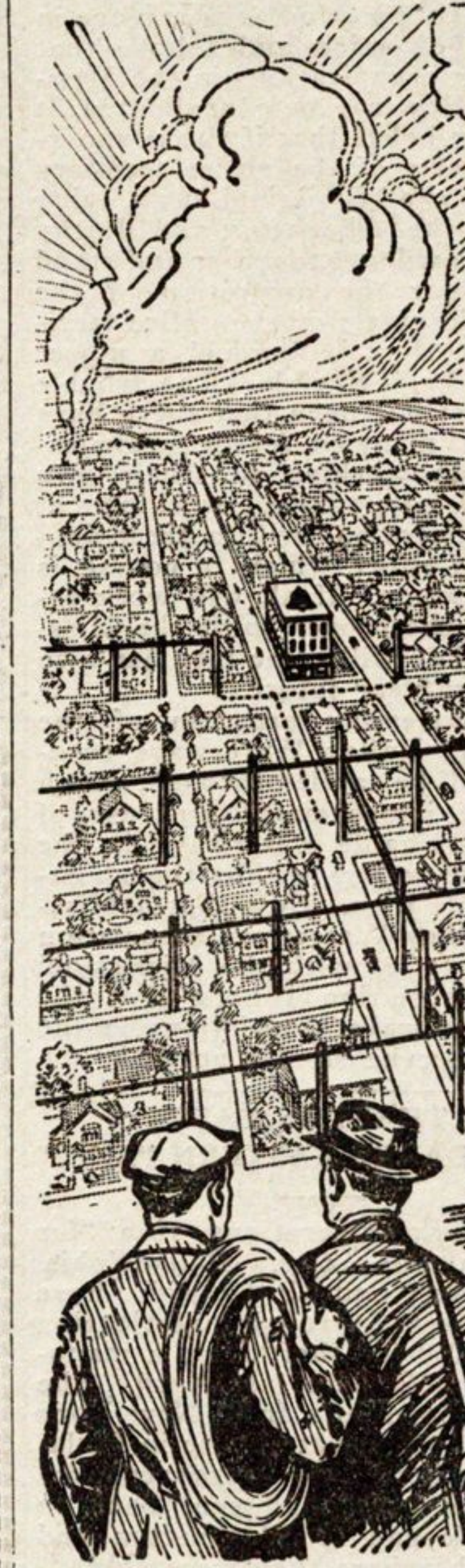
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