

## J. C. COBB HEADS IMPROVEMENT BODY

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parkways of the Public Library at Oak and Linden streets. The question of suitable planting along Hibbard Road has also had consideration, and it is probable that this work will be done as soon as permanent grades are established.

### Planted Lombardy Poplars

Incidentally, there seems to be an erroneous impression that the Lombardy poplars which are now so ornamental along Willow street were planted by the late W. G. Hibbard. This is not the case, although Mr. Hibbard did much to improve the appearance of that part of town; among other things, giving what is called "Wayside" Park at the corner of Willow and Hibbard road. The trees in question were planted by the Village Improvement association some years ago, under direction of Mr. Morris L. Greeley.

### Will Place Tablet

A memorial tablet will shortly be placed on an elm tree at the Northwest corner of the village green, which was planted some years ago as a memorial to the late James A. Hunt, founder of the association.

Mrs. William A. Otis, chairman of the Municipal Music committee, reports that the Christmas Carols for use around the tree planted by the association on the village green are being printed, and that the usual carols will take place at 5 o'clock on the afternoon of Christmas Eve. The Municipal Art committee is also very busy. Mrs. John Vennema has succeeded Mrs. Frederick O. Mason, resigned, as chairman. In the Public Library and in the various school buildings, there are between 80 and 100 pictures and casts belonging to the association, placed there to aid the children in forming a proper appreciation of the best things in art. The committee is at present going over these pictures and casts, having them renovated and repaired and rearranged in the proper grade rooms. As soon as this work is completed, a study will be made of the requirements of the new Skokie school for both pictures and possibly mural dec-

orations and this work will be undertaken shortly.

### Ponder Important Matters

At the recent meeting of the association, several other subjects of great importance to the village as a whole were discussed, among them planting of shrubbery and trees in newly opened subdivision; a permanent solution of the garbage disposal and dry waste disposal problems; track depression; and co-operation of the association with the Hubbard Woods Improvement association and the Indian Hill association in their work.

### Invite Officials

It was unanimously voted to invite the Presidents of these two associations to attend all meetings of the Board of Managers of the Village Improvement association proper.

During the past year, as the association was not doing any very active work, no solicitation was made for membership. In 1921, there were more than 300 active members of the association who paid the dues of \$2 each.

The membership committee, Frank D. Fulton, chairman, is preparing to conduct an active campaign for new members, as the plans of the association, it is believed, deserve the support of the entire village, both moral and financial.

### Fire Truck Gets Annual Inspection, Overhauling

The big American-La France fire truck at the local engine house was inspected and overhauled by an expert sent out by the American-La France company last week. The inspection is an annual event.

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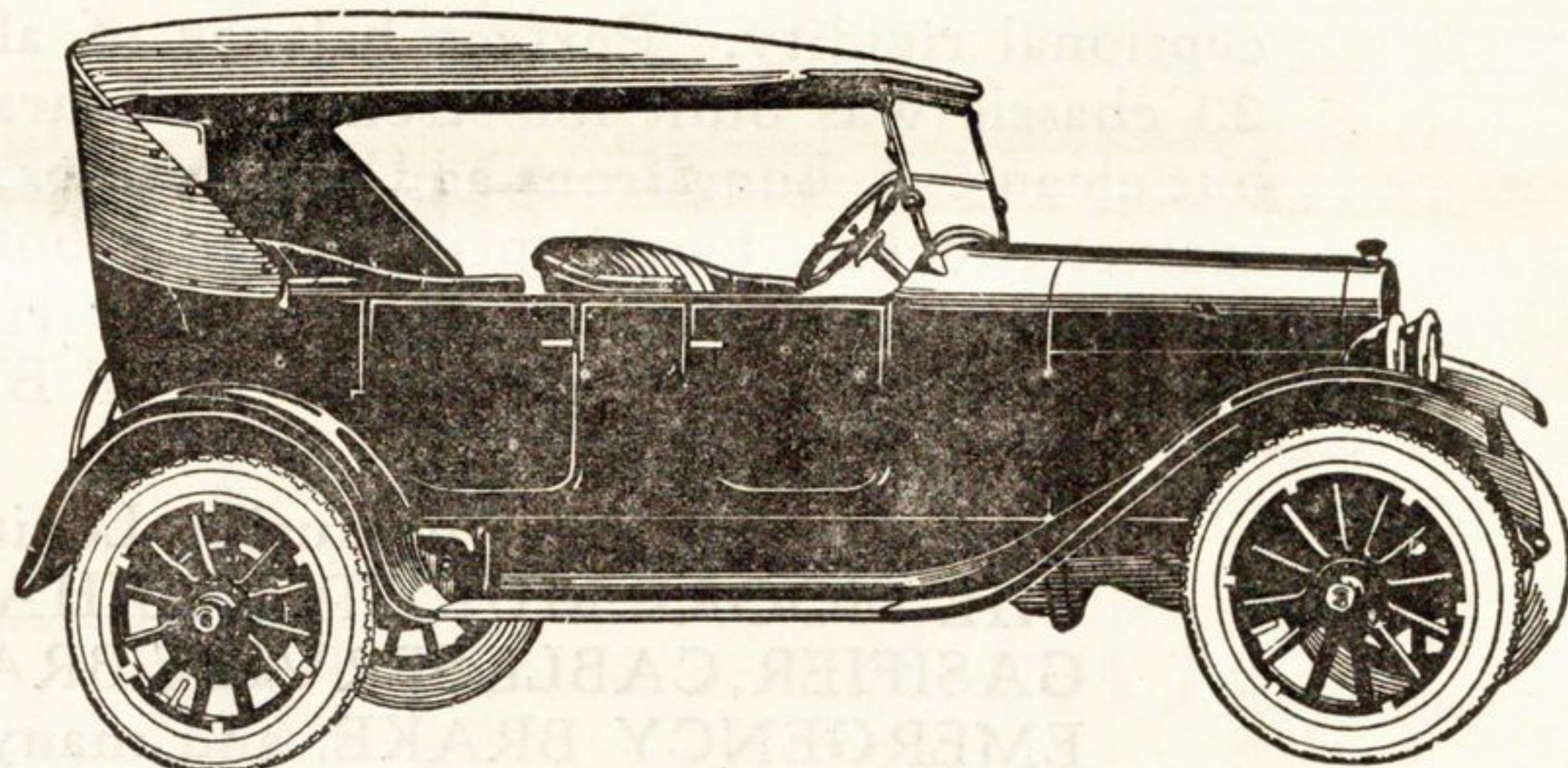
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