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SATURDAY, APRIL 19, 1924

- Depress the Tracks.
- Give the Business Men Fair Play.
- Build a New Village Hall.
- Enforce the Traffic Laws.
- Build the Truck Road.
- Vote at Every Election.

FATHER NETSTRAETER

We do not much believe in the well-known statement that the "evil men do lives after them; the good is oft interred with their bones." At any rate its force is neutralized by the equally well-known exhortation, "De mortuis nihil nisi bonum."

It is natural to say nothing but good about Father Netstraeter. His was a remarkably long pastorate of over half a century. He was pastor at St. Joseph's from 1872 almost to the date of his death on April 7, 1924. During that long period, he was not only engaged in performing those countless benevolences that go to make up the life of an active pastor, but he also took part in community welfare work.

The work of Christian ministers is a peculiar work. It is the business of the doctor to heal the sick; of the lawyer, to see to it that people get a square deal; of the business man, to distribute merchandise. But what is the work of the Christian minister? To preach the Gospel and help the needy. He constantly is called upon to relieve distress, physical, mental, and spiritual. So in the direct discharge of his duties his days are crowded with thousands of good deeds.

Gross Point, Wilmette, and the entire north shore will for many years to come be moved to philanthropic feeling and acting by the memory of the life of Father Netstraeter.

GOALS

It was not long ago that we asked a friend what it was that gave a certain man such an authority over others. This man to whom we were referring did not have a pleasing personality. His words and actions were not ingratiating; he was not a man of unusual skill in any field. Wherein, then, lay his influence?

My friend said, and I believe he was right, that this certain man's influence lay, in the fact that he knew what he was up to. He had a definite goal. He said, and it was quite true, that if this leader had all the desirable qualities mentioned above and had not had a clear objective in view he would not have been looked to for guidance.

He was a this-one-thing-I-do man. He resembled Woodrow Wilson in having an ultimate aim. Before him always he saw a star which directed his every step.

The fact that this man with a goal wielded a tremendous influence over others is good evidence that almost everybody not only lacks a clear ultimate aim but also that almost everybody desires such an aim. Most men are like the pilgrim in the song who asks "Which way shall I take? I'm a pilgrim weary and spent is my light." Each man puts to himself the query "Quo Vadis?" and gets no answer.

Therefore when a man appears who, unlike all the rest, has an invincible belief that he does know where he's going, all the rest crowd around him to find out where they too are going. Read the histories of the world and you will come up-

on these leaders. They are the great men. The list is really not very long. Read some of the names: Moses, Jesus, Mohammed, Socrates, to name only a few.

Every man ought to have a clear idea of what he, as a living being, is aiming at ultimately. "Most men live lives of quiet desperation." Henry Thoreau said that, and I suppose he did not include himself among those "most men." But didn't he tell the truth about "most men?"

One way to get a good belief as to where you are going is to study philosophy. Another way is to go to church and hear the teachings of Christ that deal with that question—the question, Where am I going?

"KEEP IT UP!"

The Winnetka Post of the American Legion has put itself on record as insisting that the primary duty of the Legion is the rehabilitation of disabled veterans. This Post emphasizes its conviction that no other objective should take precedence of this great work. First and foremost must be the caring for these ex-soldiers who cannot adequately help themselves.

We applaud the stand taken by the Winnetka Post. It does us good to know that they at least have not forgotten that these unfortunate boys impaired their health fighting for America.

ENTERPRISE

We advertised at New Trier for a half dozen election reporters, and over thirty applied! Our worldly-wise friends expressed the view that what drew the boys was the proffered compensation. "The two dollars did it," was their wise comment. Well, perhaps that did have something to do with their flocking in to get the job; but it was not the only incentive, and as we prefer to believe, it was not the stronger incentive.

No, the stronger motive was the love of adventure. It was the spirit of enterprise that carried them in such numbers down to our office in Wilmette. There was, or seemed to be, a sporting side to the proposition as well as a money side.

Human beings, especially boys, are not seeking pleasure or money primarily. Their principal aim is not even a good time. Their aim is objective. They want to do things. Of course they want to get results. But even results is not what they aim at directly.

New Trier boys are certainly a live bunch!

SOME CONSOLATION

In the recent primaries New Trier cast ten times as many votes for Essington as for Small. Evidently we wanted Small one-tenth as much as we wanted Essington.

But the rest of the state disagreed with New Trier, and so Len was nominated.

It will be no consolation, if things go from worse to much worse in Illinois, for New Trier voters to say, "We told you so!" It is some consolation, however, to remember that we expressed ourselves plainly and honestly, that we were true to our convictions.

Our greatest consolation is to know that Republicans can vote for Democratic nominees.

PREVENT DEATH!

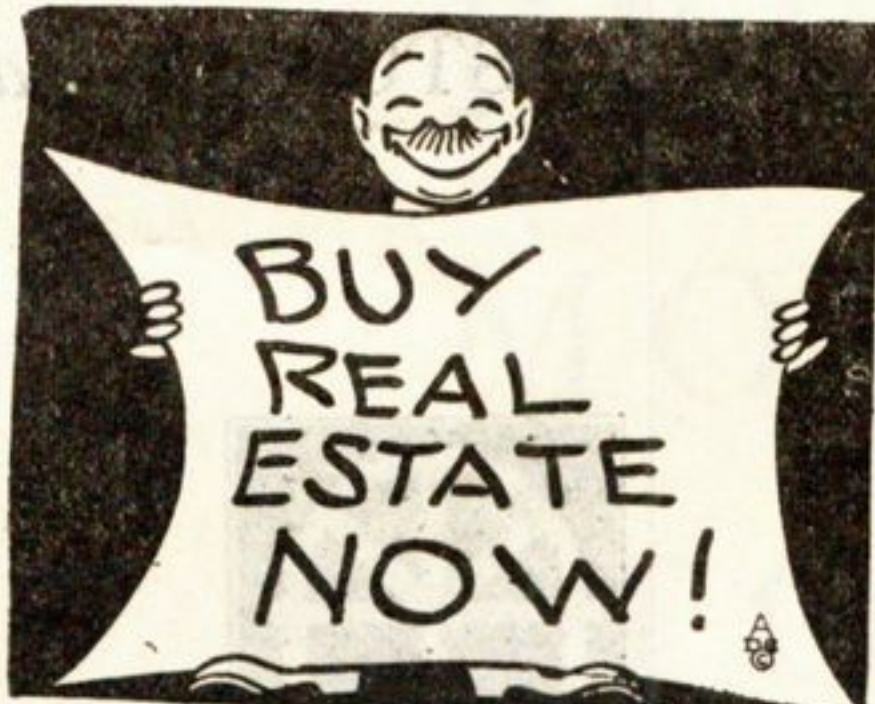
What can be done to prevent the recurrence of such an accident as on Sunday, April 13, caused the death of little Virginia Pearson?

There is at least one obvious thing that can be done and that is to pass and enforce an ordinance forbidding the parking of cars within fifteen or twenty feet of the street crossing leading from a building where a public meeting of any considerable size is being held.

At the scene of this fatal acci-

dent, cars were parked up to the very edge of the intersecting sidewalk, so that the driver of the car which struck the child could not see her until it was too late. But had there been no automobile parking within fifteen or twenty feet of the crossing, the driver of the moving car would have seen the child in plenty of time to avoid the injury.

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Have you ever considered what is meant by the hundreds of cars parked in the business sections during working hours?

Most of them carried business men to work, leaving their wives and families at home, marooned because the family's one car is in daily use by the husband and father.

Chevrolet Utility Coupé with high-grade body makes an ideal extra car, especially in combination with a 5-passenger touring or sedan.

The wife finds it of every day utility for shopping, calling, taking the children to school in bad weather, etc.

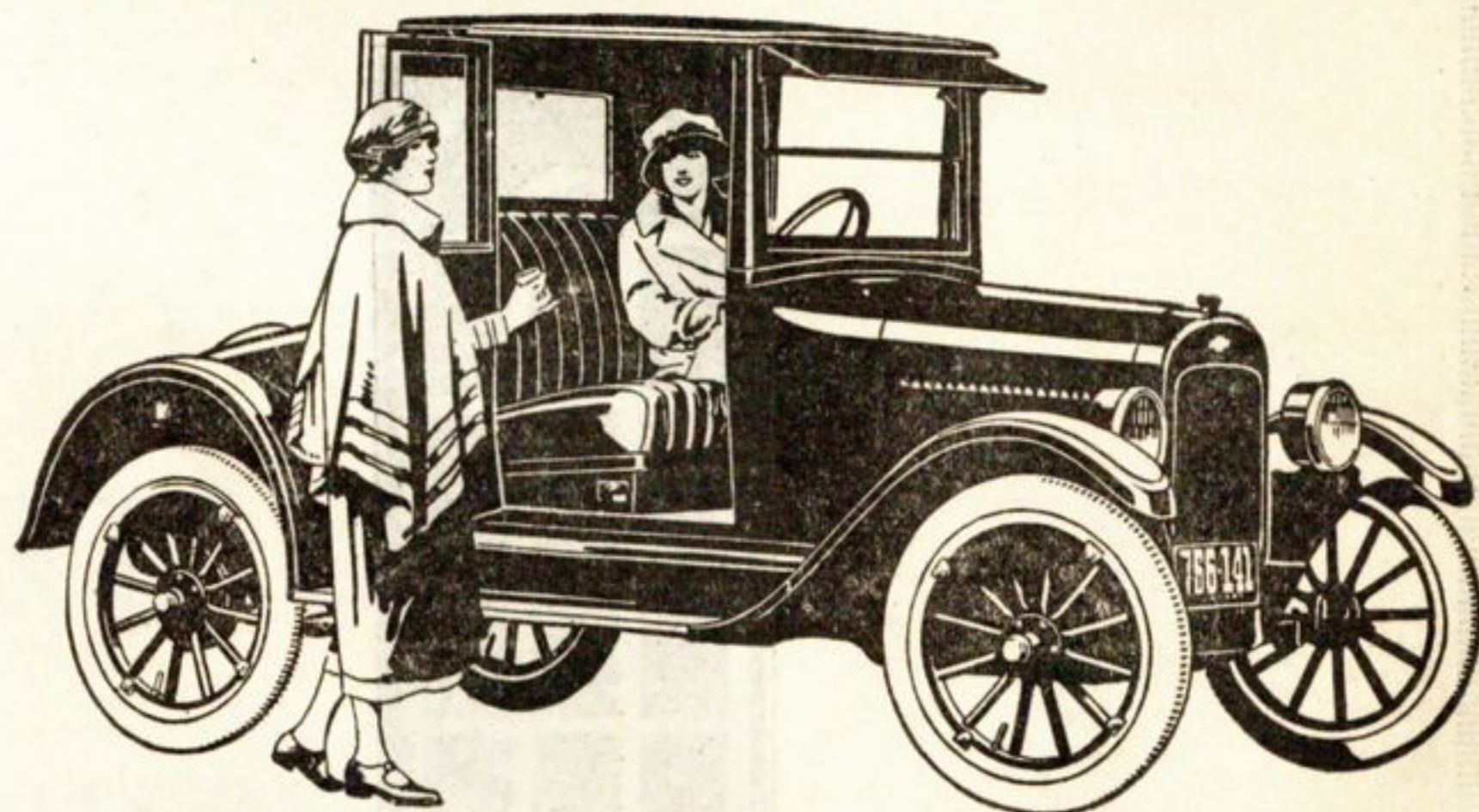
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