

Tell Officials if Mosquitoes Are Found in Your Vicinity

Abatement Work Is Intensified as Real Mosquito Season Draws Near

Richard Goble has been retained by the Winnetka Mosquito Abatement committee to assist in the work carried on by J. Lyell Clarke, sanitary engineer of the committee. Work is progressing very satisfactorily and very few of the pests which formerly robbed the out-doors of its charm are noticeable this year. The following statement was issued by Mr. Clarke this week under the caption "Are there mosquitoes in your neighborhood?"

The oiling activities carried on by the Chicago Sanitary district in the outlying territory around Winnetka have shut off mosquito breeding within flight range of the village. This cooperation on their part has lessened the work of

the local mosquito abatement forces and permitted them to turn their attention to control work within the village limits.

Oiling of streams, ponds, ditches and street catch basins within the village was begun the latter part of May, and has been carried on systematically since that time. That this work has been effective in reducing the mosquito population is attested by every citizen who has been asked concerning the prevalence of mosquitoes.

Biggest Task Coming

The noticeable absence of mosquitoes during the first half of a mosquito season, following oiling operations, is characteristic of all communities which have similar work. The real test of mosquito abatement work comes during the last half of the season. To free a community of mosquitoes during the first half of the season is a com-

paratively easy task. The reason for easy obtained results during the first half of the season may be explained by stating this one phase of mosquito life: Mosquitoes have preferential breeding habits, that is they have breeding places of first choice such as streams, ponds and other outdoor bodies of water. Shut off from these openly obvious places they seek secluded places such as roof gutters, water barrels, tin cans, basement drains and the like.

Then begins a battle of wits between mosquito and inspector. The inspector will have drained and oiled all places which have come to his attention through his own efforts to discover them. At this stage of the game, and from then on, the mosquito has the advantage. She will select unknown breeding places and there propagate till her presence is felt in the immediate neighborhood.

The inspector will continue to make routine inspection of home premises in certain sections of the village where in his judgment breeding is likely to occur, but routine inspection of likely breeding areas will give place to special

investigation of complaints made known to him by the citizens.

Want Citizens to Report

During the remainder of the season it will not be a case of preventing mosquito breeding in the known habitats alone, but the added task of making special investigations of scattered local inspections made known by the citizens themselves. The sooner mosquito annoyance in a neighborhood is reported to the inspector the sooner relief will be had.

Mosquitoes disperse rapidly and will disappear from a highly infested neighborhood within 10 days after the source of supply has been shut off.

To the end that local annoyances may be stamped out promptly each citizen is requested to report the presence of mosquitoes in his neighborhood immediately. Complaints will be received between the hours of nine and 10 a. m., at the office of the Village Manager. Further, those having complaints to make, are assured that they are rendering a distinct service to those engaged in the mosquito abatement work and that investigation will be made not only promptly but gladly.

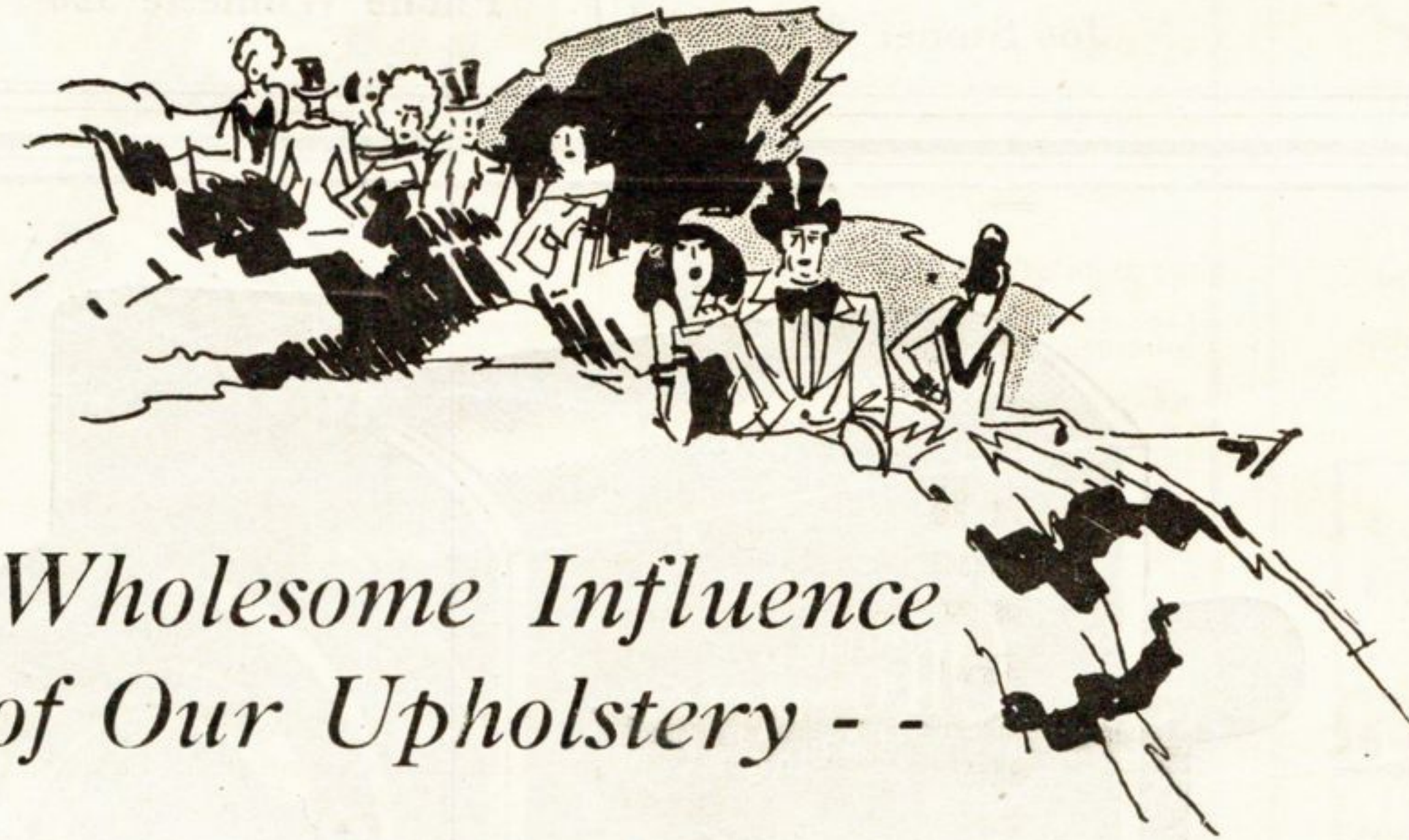
Urge Motorists to Look Before Leaving Curbing

Motorists who fail to take a last look before leaving the curb where they have been parked often find themselves in serious difficulties, according to a bulletin issued by the accident prevention department of the Chicago Motor club. This is especially true when a motorist is on a street where street cars or interurban lines run.

Trainmen report that drivers usually look when getting into the car, but do not take a last look before leaving the curb, and that this practice has resulted in numerous serious and fatal accidents.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter S. Bemis, 682 Ardsley road, have had as their guests for the past week, Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Horner of Boulder, Col. The Horners have left for an extended visit in New York.

Miss Mary Williams left Tuesday for Indian Hill camp, at Lake Hamlin, Mich., for a few days of combined visit and work.

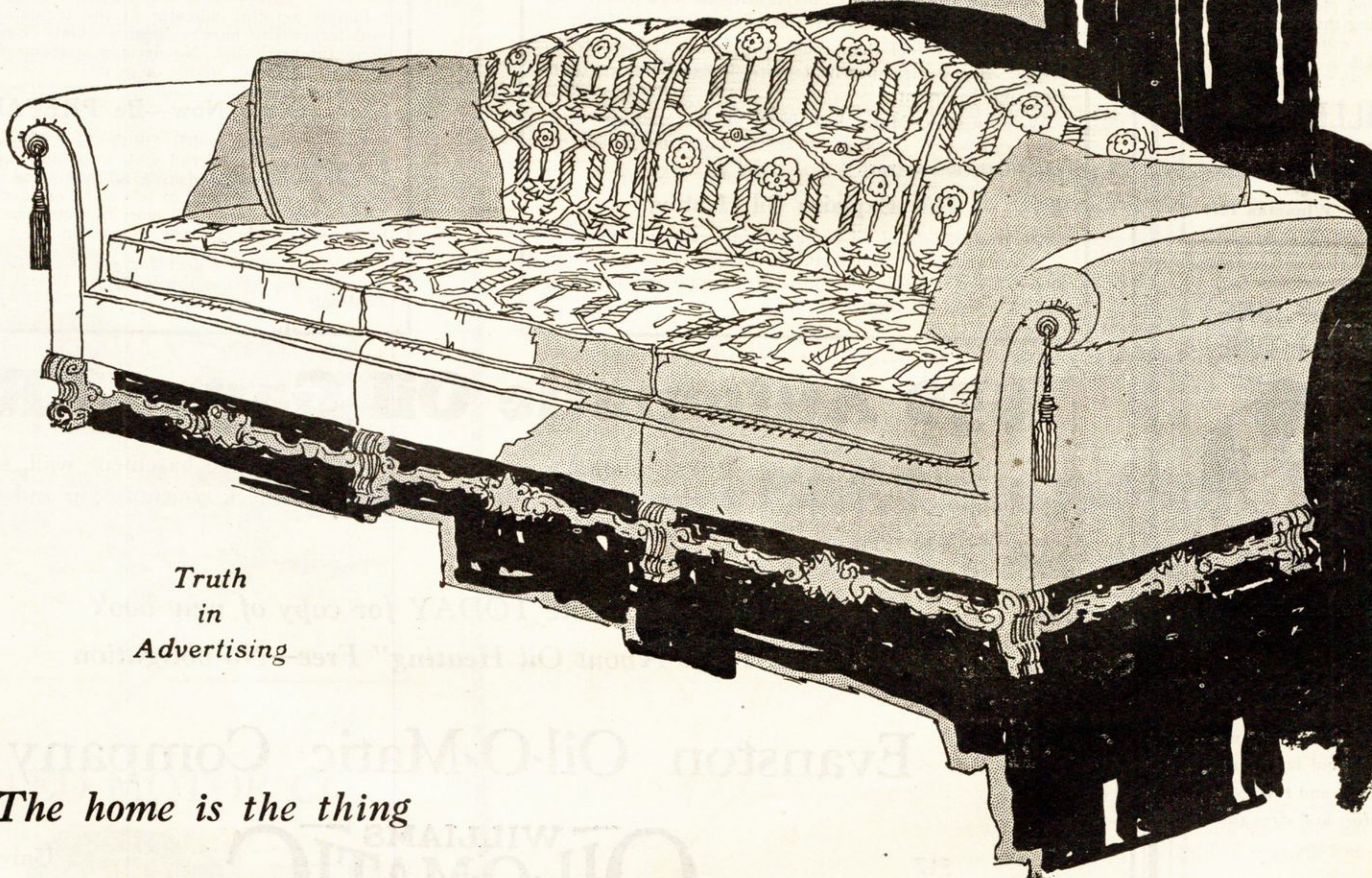


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