

Mrs. Carleton Washburne of 505 Provident avenue is among the patronesses for the performance of "The Taming of the Shrew" by the children of the Jack and Jill theater today in the Gold room of the Drake hotel. Proceeds will benefit the American Shakespeare Foundation fund.

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At Woman's Society

(Contributed)

The Woman's society of the Winnetka Congregational church met as usual at the Community House last Wednesday, being eager to complete the work that had been planned at the beginning of the year. Another month and these meeting will be over, the annual meeting and election occurring the first Wednesday in May.

Mrs. Wiley J. Huddle, the president,

having fully recovered from her long illness, was again in her accustomed place.

The luncheon hostesses, Mrs. Joseph Winterbotham and Mrs. Alfred Freeman, provided a delicious Lenten luncheon, which was followed by an address by Judge Charles M. Thomson of Winnetka.

Mrs. Paul Hutchinson, chairman of the program committee, introduced the speaker as "one who knows the very inside of Cook county politics, and who will tell us what we should know about this very important subject."

Judge Thomson did tell us many things we should know, and which were not unfamiliar to most of us; but to hear them direct from one whose sincerity and honesty cannot be questioned was most illuminating.

In the beginning, Judge Thomson said he would not call his speech an "address," but a hop, skip, and jump talk on Cook county politics.

The speaker wonders what will happen if the political situation in Cook county in the next generation is worse than it is at the present. He is still wondering if democracy will justify itself. We are supposed to have a government "of the people, by the people, and for the people," but, he asked, have we? Does the political situation in Cook county and Illinois prove this? Do the facts shown in the crime situation prove that "crime in Chicago is on the run?" Judge Thomson stated that hundreds and hundreds of people heard "Big Bill" say over the radio, at the time of his election, that "there would not be a crook in Chicago after ninety days." Judge Thomson wonders, "Is there?" Witness the morning papers.

Beginning with the last mayoralty election in Chicago up to the present time, the history of Cook county politics has been one of political intrigue comparable to nothing which has gone before, according to Judge Thomson. At the time of the election of the mayor, the people of Chicago were given the choice of an administration of the best on the one hand, and absolutely the worst on the other. It was not thought possible that sane American people would make such a

choice as they did, said Judge Thomson.

The Judge discussed five elements which contributed to the defeat of Dever, namely: the large number of colored people in Chicago; crooked contractors; religious bigots; the group that favored a wide open town; and the largest group of all, who thought only of "Partisan Politics," with the result that, instead of holding on to a valuable asset, Chicago hung a millstone around her neck, the speaker remarked.

The State's Attorney's office came in for much discussion. It is important because it deals with the question of crime and criminals and decides who shall be prosecuted and who shall be investigated. Judge Thomson wondered if this is the reason why certain crimes have been "overlooked."

What, he asked, can be done about the situation so perplexing to those who say they are "not in politics?" Judge Thomson says no man can say he is "not in politics," for he is, whether he wishes to be or not. Politics is all around us, as is the air, and it is pressing upon us with such force, that, if voters do not realize their responsibility, politics will never be what most people desire. He emphasized the point that fraud perpetrated at the polls should be detected and the guilty ones punished.

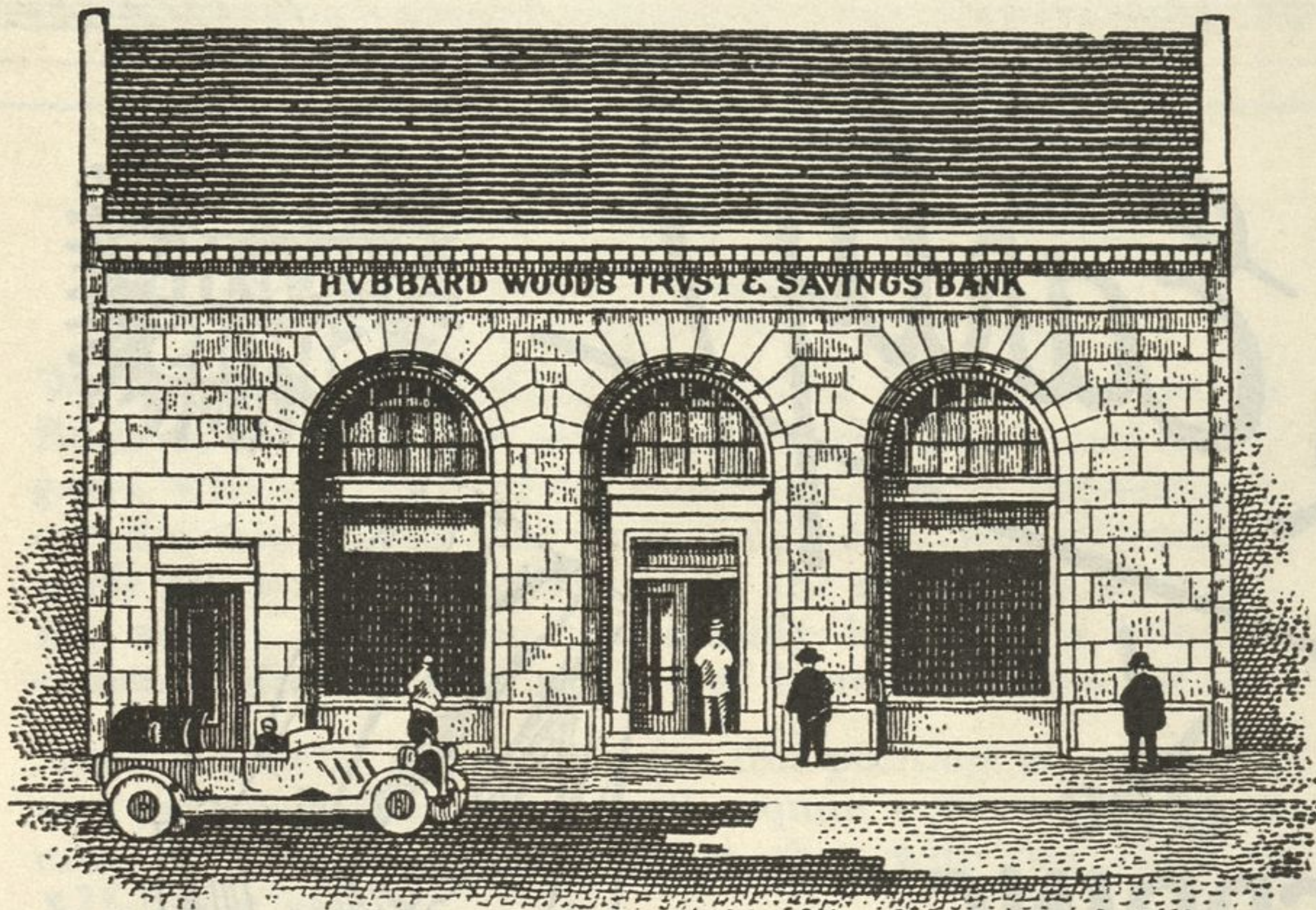
The election of Jarecki, an honest, intelligent, fearless man, to the office of County judge is one answer which will help the situation, Judge Thomson believes. The election of such men to important offices, certainly would put Illinois and Cook county back on the "Honor Roll," where they belong, the speaker remarked.

Judge Thomson finished his talk by saying that the better class of people must awake and attend to their business, which is politics.

Country Day Cagers Trim Latin School Team 27-20

The Boys' first team of the North Shore Country Day school defeated the Chicago Latin school basketball team 27 to 20, Saturday, March 17. On the same day the Girls' team from North Shore defeated the team of the business women from the First National bank, 46 to 6. This team had been undefeated in the city basketball league of business women's clubs.

Mrs. Frederick H. Scott of 175 Sheridan road returned home Thursday from New York, where she attended the flower show held there this week. She left Winnetka last Sunday.



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