

POLITICS

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The "hard losers" as we told you last week, have started action in the supreme court to force their names on the November ballot. This assembly job—which pays \$600. for the 60 day session and for which each candidate spends from \$200 to \$500 for election — must have some "hidden charms."

The Republican and the democratic parties have just completed their state convention — with the usual promises and canned bunk. The democrats as well as the republicans gave their "sure cure" for the ills of the great state of Nevada—which hasn't any ills of which will struggle along just the same as usual regardless of who is who in state offices.

It is much too early for the state candidates to make a tour of the state and offer their services to the voters. Within two weeks, however, things will begin to warm up.

County politics are also asleep—but won't be much longer.

At the present time there is more interest in the city administration than in state and county. The city fathers have made drastic increases in the license structure of the city. We don't know whether the increase is right or wrong. At any rate, the city dads contend that they must have more money to operate the business of the city. Now the city commissioners are going to be shot at sunrise, recalled, opposed, etc. To successfully hold down any political job you must expect to be cursed if you DO and cursed if you DON'T. Anyway the city commission is in for a lot of rough going during the next few weeks. One taxpayer yesterday lauded the city commission for the increase in licenses — another demanded that the city dads make public the audit of the city affairs that has been under way for the past two months. It's a hard job, this being a public servant for the big salary of \$25.00 a month.

Former Mayor Fred Hess, who has been mentioned many times as a candidate to oppose Mayor Marble at the election next May, says that being mayor was the hardest job he ever tackled. Hess says that it will take a lot of arguments to ever make him run for the office again.

The public schools are not supposed to be in politics, but today the greatest campaign is under way to do away with the 2 mill state tax limit. The schools now spend over 60 percent of every tax dollar.

If they cannot get along on that expenditure it is time that we gave our school system a general fumigating.

UTOPIA

A parking space whenever you need it would be pretty close to Utopia.—St. Louis Post Dispatch.

Ocean cables are now being buried in the sand with sea-going plows. Secretary Wallace must have a finger in this somewhere.

—Boston Transcript.

Many Are Given Highway Work

CARSON CITY, Sept 28—Employment statistics given out by State Highway Engineer Robert A. Allen show that during the month of August a total of 2832 men was employed on highway projects in all parts of the state. Those projects embrace all of the federal aid work under construction at the time and represent a general distribution in all parts of the state. Labor records for that month include the actual payroll names on active projects.

Special provisions established by the United States Bureau of Public Roads on all road programs permit

contractors to hire direct supervisory skilled and intermediate labor from out of the state. The labor report as given out shows that 2432 Nevada workmen of all classes received the benefits of labor on highway construction projects, although under the Bureau's regulations contractors could have brought in 1997 men.

The number employed in the various capacities on the same projects show the following: Supervisory 113; skilled 135; intermediate 152; unskilled none; total 400.

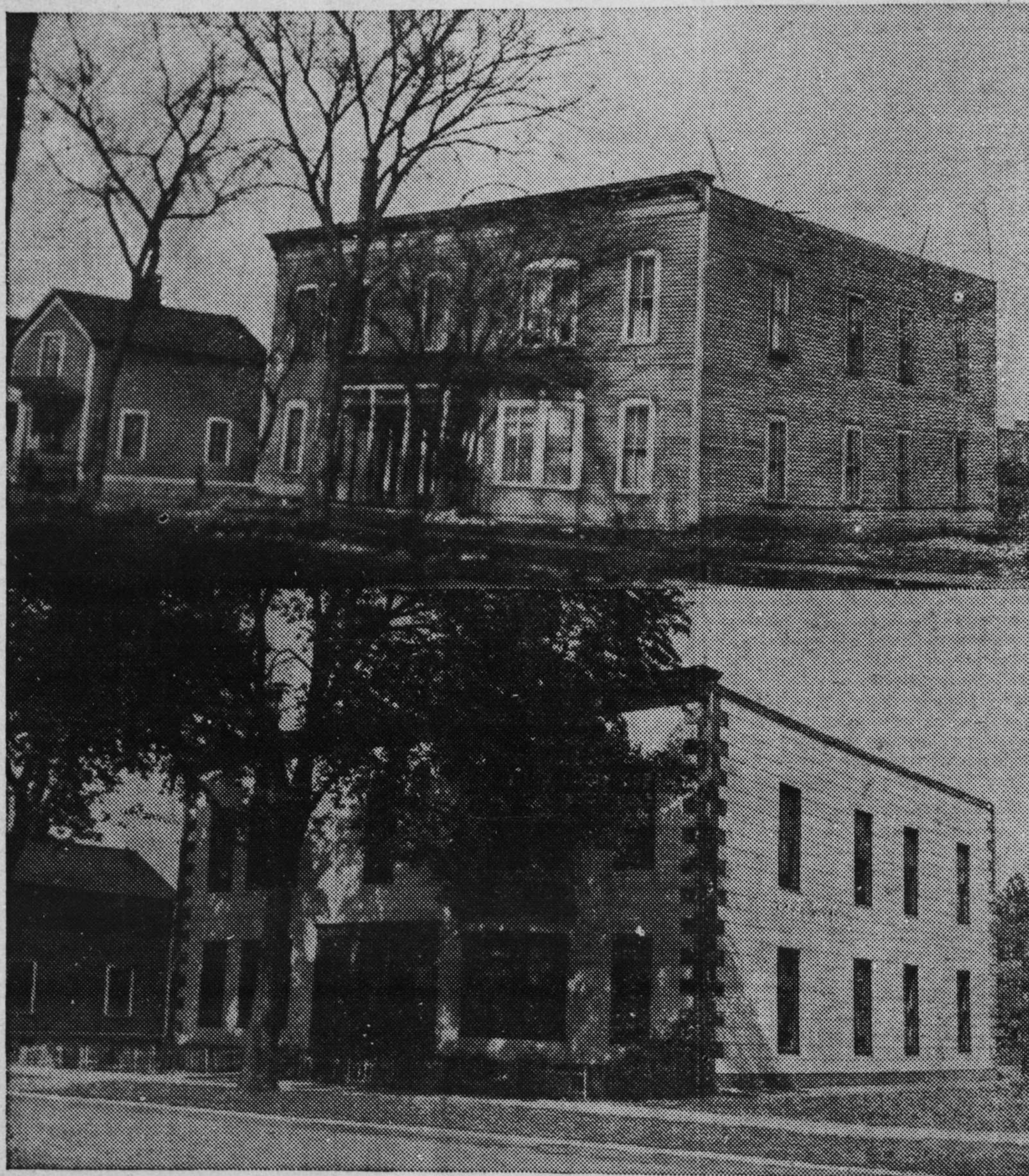
In ancient Egypt, it is said, surgeons had a way of hitting the patient on the head at a certain spot and then operating while he was unconscious from the blow. Wouldn't it be a good idea to equip our tax collectors with mallets?

It is reported that President Roosevelt called Senator Hattie Caraway "my old friend." We don't believe it. No politician would make a mistake like that. In referring to a woman he would say, "my young friends."

It is said that over in England they have developed a seed wheat that will increase the yield per acre 10 per cent. We presume that Secretary Wallace will see that none of it is smuggled into the United States.

Over in Belgrade, Yugoslavia, where the young gypsies go to the annual fair to purchase wives, it is said that the price of young brides has gone down to \$6.40 for selected grades. If there is an oversupply why don't they consult Henry Wallace.

Completely Restored



The expenditure of \$1,500 by the owner of the property shown in the above "Before and After" pictures increased the income from "practically nothing" to \$68 per month. This amount was sufficient to take care of the monthly installments on a Property Improvement Credit Plan loan of \$1,000 which he negotiated to carry out the restoration. Installments on the FHA insured loan amount to \$20.79 a month. The loan is for a term of five years.

Work done constituted a general restoration and included interior and exterior painting, modernization of plumbing and heating equipment, and other lesser items. The loan was made by the Bank of Commerce and Savings, Duluth, Minn.