

WALTONIANS FAVOR FLOOD CONTROL PLAN

URGE FEDERAL ACTION

Discuss Situation in South at Annual Convention; Resolution Passed; Conservation Urged

Long impressed with the necessity of action directed against the dangers of floods in the Mississippi valley, the Izaak Walton League of America, at its recent convention in Chicago, passed a resolution calling upon the federal government to effect a safeguard.

Following was the resolution presented by delegate Dymond of Louisiana:

"Whereas, the proper control of the flooded waters of the Mississippi river presents a national problem affecting the people between the Allegheny and Rocky Mountain ranges draining through the Mississippi valley, and

"Whereas, the impounding of the excess flood waters therefrom in appropriately selected reservoirs would create water-impounding areas that might replace the areas drained as a result of our advancing reclamation of land for agricultural purposes, land that has heretofore furnished the habitat for our migratory bird life in their transcontinental flight, be it

Recommend Federal Action

"Resolved, by the Izaak Walton League of America in convention assembled that there be, and is hereby presented, a problem that should receive earnest consideration of the appropriate committee of this league and that this committee be directed to recommend federal action be taken if a workable plan can be evolved to the end that the southern states of the union can be relieved from danger of overflow by excess discharge of the Mississippi valley drainage, these excess waters temporarily impounded for later discharge. Two results will be accomplished: First, the relief of our southern states from undue and excessive water elevation and possible overflow, and second, the re-establishment in these impounded water areas of feeding and breeding grounds for migratory bird wild life, so that compensating natural results may be re-attained to the advantage of all our people."

Conservation

The convention also went on record as wholeheartedly endorsing efforts of the various states in the matter of conservation of flood and other waters for the purpose of preventing floods and the re-establishment of ar-

tificial lakes for fishing, as refuges for migratory birds and for recreation purposes, and it urged all agencies of the league to unite in the propagation of ideas and sentiments that would advance this work. The convention pointed out that there has been indiscriminate draining of lake and swamp areas, with the result that the water table of the surrounding lands had been lowered, which eventually would cause a shortage of water; that the draining of upland lakes and seeps ruins the source of supply for necessary streams; that the straightening and deepening of our streams causes the rapid loss of water, and that the straightening of such streams ruins the natural topography of the land, causes erosion of soil, and the flooding of lands farther down the stream. The various state divisions of the Walton league will work to the end that all objectionable drainage acts be repealed by state legislatures.

EUROPE'S CONDITION NO CAUSE FOR WORRY

They're Getting Along Fairly Well Over There Despite Cry of Internationalists

Among the interesting headlines on the dispatches from Europe in the financial section of the Monday New York Times were the following: "London is Hopeful of Bank Rate Cut"; "French Money Easy, Business Improving"; "London Banks Gain Gold"; "Nearly All Industry in Germany Improves"; "Italy's Trade Balance Better Despite Rise in the Lira"; "Surplus in German Budget"; "Hopeful Statements of Russian Trade."

These headlines when compared with some of the doleful statements of opinion given out by our internationalists are decidedly encouraging. They do not bear out the international dogma that Europe is going to the dogs and will continue to do so unless we cancel the war debts and reduce our tariff.

The fact is that economic conditions in most European countries are steadily improving, as the above quoted headlines would indicate. Americans will be pleased to know that these conditions are improving. And we all want Europe to improve. That is not only a humane wish but an expression of sound business judgment.

The more Europe prospers the better Americans will like it. We are only insisting that this prosperity be built up in Europe by European effort and that it be not accomplished by tampering with the foundation of American prosperity.

Some of our sports would be able to step up faster, if they did not step out so much.

SAYS ALL NATURE IS SELF-CONSCIOUS

SCIENTIST SO BELIEVES

Claims Unity of All Life and Kinship of All Living Creatures; From the Simplest Form

Vernon Kellogg, eminent biologist, permanent secretary of the National Research Council, sees no more evidence to prove that only man is self-conscious than exists to suggest the possibility of this consciousness pervading all nature.

Dr. Kellogg suggests in an article, "Neighbors," in the May Scribner's Magazine, that all nature may behave like human beings and presents the theory that scientists approach the matter from the wrong side when they begin at the simplest form of life and work up. Begin with man and work down, he says.

Unity of All Life
"Recognizing the unity of all life and the kinship of all living creatures, and thrilling always with a certain responsive feeling whenever I come to make close acquaintanceship with any living thing from chimpanzee to Amoeba," writes the scientist, "I cannot escape the belief that we shall do better, in our endeavor to understand the behavior of our neighbors, to trace downward from our own behavior the manifestations in them of that strange and distinguishing attribute of life that we call mind, rather than to try and trace these manifestations upward from physics and chemistry. I feel a strong sympathy for that one-time most vigorous of all mechanists, Hans Driesch, who has become, by virtue of his own many carefully guarded experiments, one of the most convinced of scientific vitalists."

Self-Consciousness
"Some of us take pride in claiming for man the unique possession of self-consciousness. But have we any more convincing proof of that man we have for the conclusion that all life has self-consciousness? I am not at all sure of it. And if the second possibility is, indeed, the actual state of affairs, then what a new significance has every action of every one of our neighbors, all the multitudinous denizens of land and sea, in all their manifoldness of form and manner. What a new meaning of every little cheeping from the hedgerows; of every movement of the industrious bee among the flowers; of every swift scuttling of the crabs in the tidepools! What a new significance the attribution of the friendly cognomen of neighbor to all of the creatures of earth!"

KENTUCKY WOMEN NOW STUDY GOVERNMENT

Have Prepared Guide; Other Interesting Activities of Women's Clubs

To stimulate interest in the study of government, the Kentucky Federation of Women's clubs has prepared a calendar of "People and Events of Importance in Kentucky," which may furnish a hint to women's clubs as to similar items of interest in their own sphere. The federation will send a copy to any woman interested, provided four cents for postage is enclosed. Inquiries should be addressed to Mrs. Harry E. Thixton, Henderson, Ky.

A bulletin on Forestry, written especially for the use of women's clubs, includes readings on state and national forestry, tributes to trees in prose and verse, and a practical talk on Women's Organizations and Forestry. Copies may be obtained from the Forest Service, U. S. Department of Agriculture, Washington, Attention of Mrs. Lillian Conway.

Women who are studying international relations will be interested in a portfolio of World Heroes of Peace, prepared by the National Council for the Prevention of War, in Washington. The portfolio contains portraits of the twelve heroic figures chosen by school children in more than 30 countries, with a prize essay on each. The "art pilgrimage," and the "art contest" are two of the newest ideas developed by women's clubs in New York state. Booklets giving the plans and details will be sent, in return for a stamped and addressed envelope, by the Good Citizenship Bureau, Woman's Home Companion, 250 Park avenue, New York.

As a result of the Survey of American Homes, made by the General Federation of Women's clubs, two booklets on electricity in the home have been issued and will be sent on receipt of a stamp by Miss Sophia Molicki, chairman Women's committee, National Electric Light association, 25 W. 39th street, New York.

A series of prize programs gathered by the Indiana Federation of Women's clubs will be sent in return for a two-cent stamp by Mrs. Harriette Sparks, 657 E. Clinton street, Frankford, Ind.

Good Judgment

"You have saved my life," said the man to the youthful hero who had rescued him from drowning. "As a reward you shall marry my daughter."

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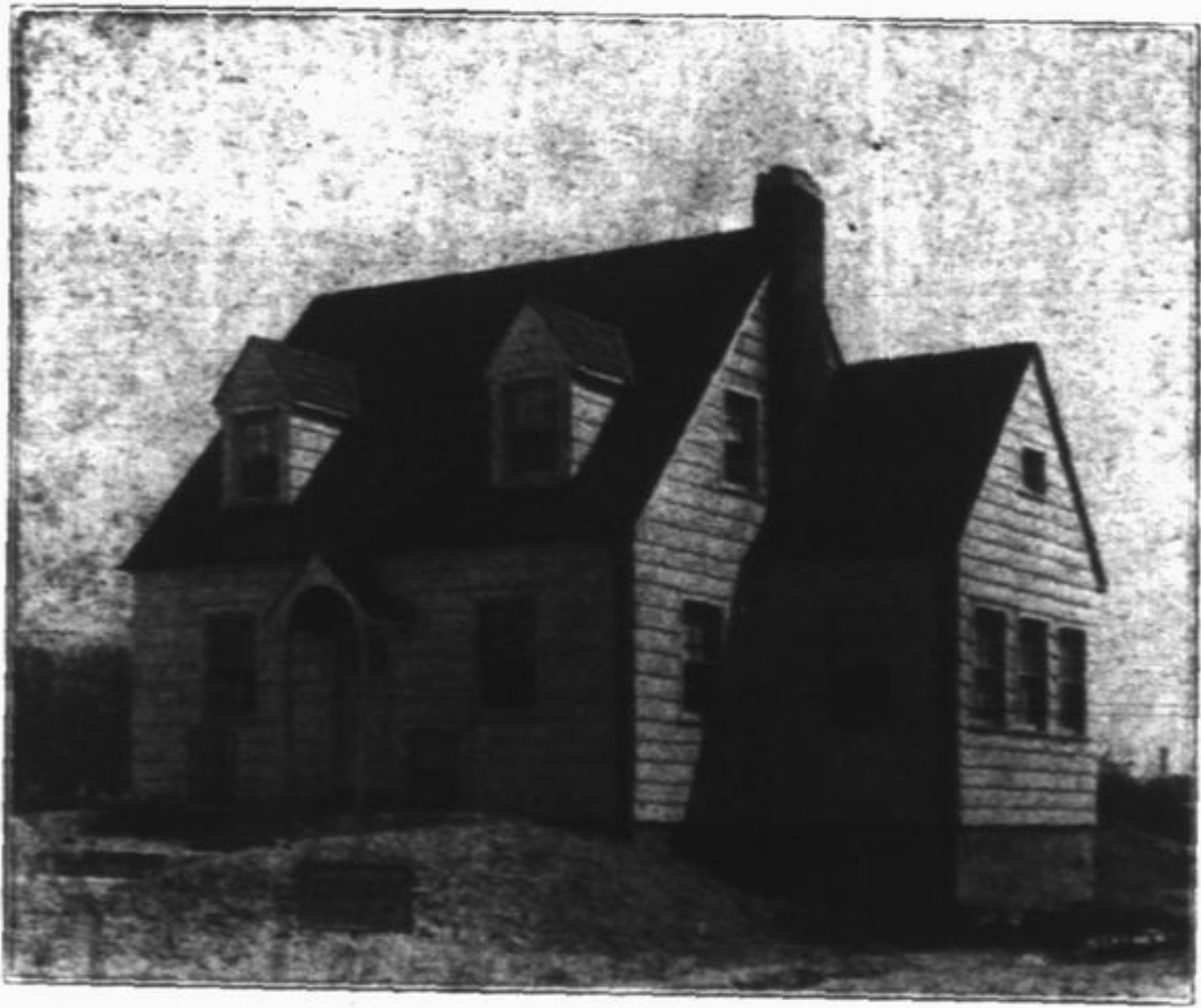
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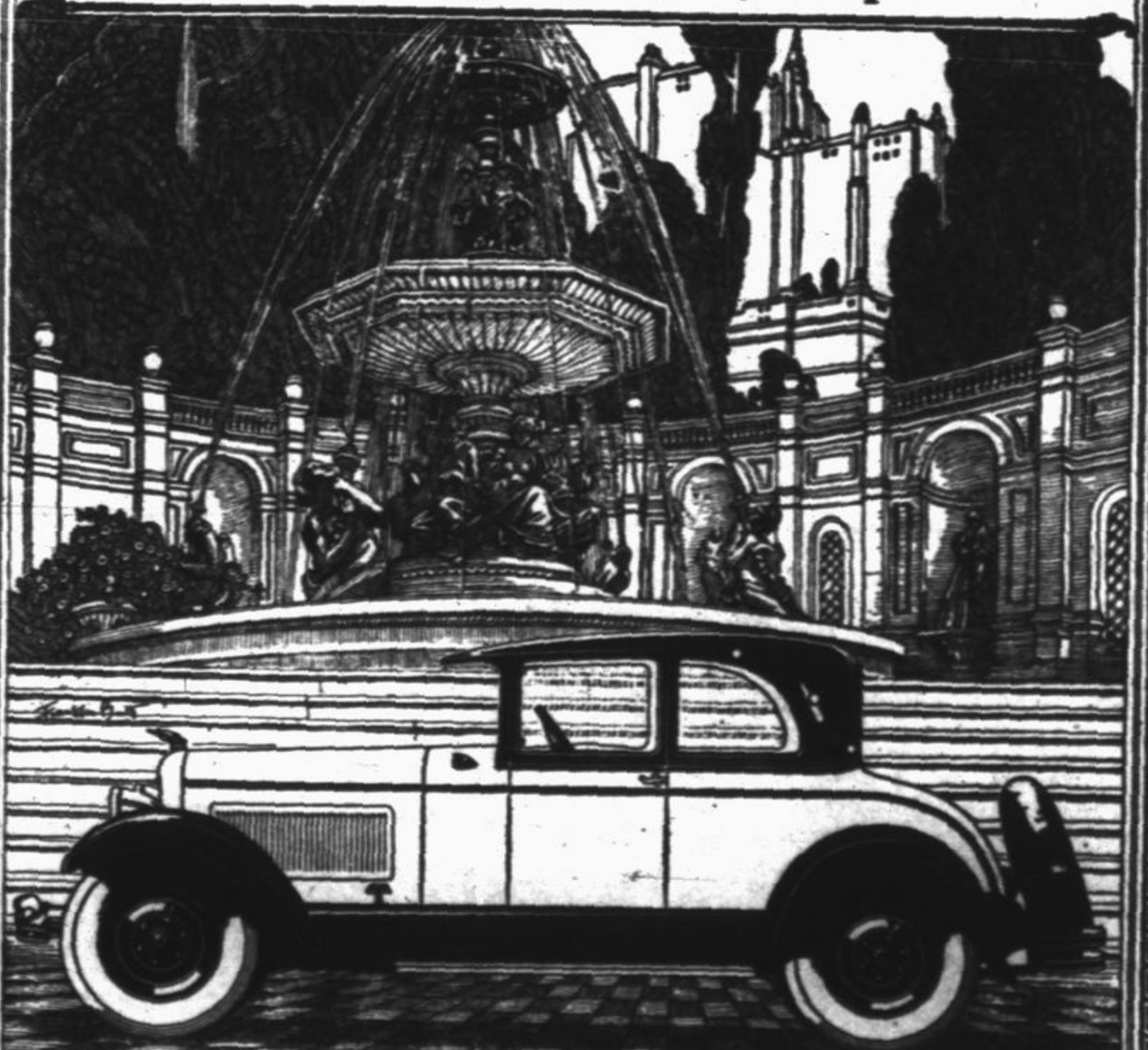
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