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WOMEN IN CONGRESS

Women who have had a prominent part in the accomplishment of the enfranchisement of their sex are being urged by the woman representative from Oklahoma to run for Congress. Certainly the cause of equal opportunity for women in the government of the nation would be well served should the leaders who have learned so much of political ways and maneuvers accept the responsibility which has been urged upon them. The only objection that any fair minded person can have to the presence of women in the national law making body is that they do not fully represent the districts from which they come, that they are handicapped by reason of their sex, not because of any mental inferiority nor inability to perform the duties of the office but because it is so easy for them to be excluded from the councils of the man members in the part of legislation that is not transacted in the open and before the eyes of the general public.

A sufficient number of women of undisputed capacity, women of experience in the details of government and the making of laws, women who themselves know how to use strategy and are shrewd enough to make themselves a part of the body considered worthy of notice by the men in the making of plans, such would serve the cause of women in government in a very conspicuous way. It is scarcely possible however, that such women will consent to make a fight for office, for they know enough to value the honor for what it is worth and there is no financial attraction to persuade them to give up the work that they are already doing for the welfare of humanity and the advancement of the race. But, if they should, we should see the male members looking more carefully to their honors and considering their ways with a good deal more concern than has been their custom in the past.

BLIND TO OUR OWN NEED

The United States, criminally negligent of the welfare of her own forests and the interests of the people as they are affected by the stripping of the hillsides and other forest lands of the nation, is yet able to see the very great loss that has been sustained by France in the destruction of the trees in the district crossed by the Germans during the war. The United States government has given to France a supply of fir seeds sufficient to replant a considerable area of the denuded territory. It is a gift that will grow in value as time passes.

And in the meantime there are the forests of the United States deprived of the government regulation of cutting and disposition of the trees that alone can save the country from serious loss in this essential resource. It is a very great pity that the same vision that sees and recognizes the need of war-ridden France cannot appreciate the meaning of the present system in operation in our own forest lands.

DRESS REFORM

The Art Alliance, the new organization designed to educate American women in style, quality and consistency, in other words, the beautification of woman's dress, has a long and arduous task ahead, if it persists unto the end. Women have strayed far from the ideals of dress in which appropriateness, utility and beauty decreed what should and what should not be worn. It will be a hard road back to them.

The pendulum has swung about as far from the beautiful in dress as it well can. It is due now for the backward journey, perhaps to bring a fashion as lacking in hygienic quality as the present is lacking in modesty and good taste. Somewhere there is a happy medium and it is to be hoped that there the Art Alliance has found its ideal and that there will be a sufficient following in the ranks of those who set fashions to effect the end that feminine dress shall be both comfortable and modest.

EXPEDIENCY

Whatever personal opinion one may hold regarding the propriety of smoking by women, either in private or public places, the suggestion of prohibiting it by process of law must be regarded as ridiculous. Smoking cannot by any stretch be classed as a moral issue. It is simply a matter of taste, far outside the jurisdiction of any city council or other governing body.

One wonders whether it was recognition of the silliness of the proposition or the reflection that women hold ballots that influenced the Chicago council body to treat the issue as a joke. Other evidences of a not too sensitive disposition in matters of a moral nature, suggests that there was the element of expediency active in the reception given the proposition of Alderman Lyle.

This Should Be on the Front Page With the Other Important News

Today the country is awakening to the fact that the human foot is a delicate structure and must be cared for with as much intelligence as any other part of the body.

Too many women are suffering from foot troubles. The extent of the artificial-appliance business is one proof of that.

Specialists declare that 75 per cent of women, and a goodly number of men, have foot troubles which they weren't born with.

The human foot is not to blame. The trouble lies in the kind of shoes worn by so many people.

It is calculated that the average person takes from 4,000 to 8,000 steps a day. There are 26 bones in each foot and nature requires that each bone play its part in every step.

The feet are one of the important nerve centers of the body. Prominent nerve specialists often start their treatment on the feet of their patients.

A greater degree of happiness will be found among people when all shoes are made to harmonize with the human foot, instead of compelling the poor foot to assume the shape of a shoe.

If you are interested in a shoe which follows the lines of the natural foot, while retaining every desirable feature of style, let us show you the Cantilever Shoe. You will enjoy its flexibility, its lightness, its good looks, its great comfort. And you will preserve the health and beauty of your foot when you wear this shoe.

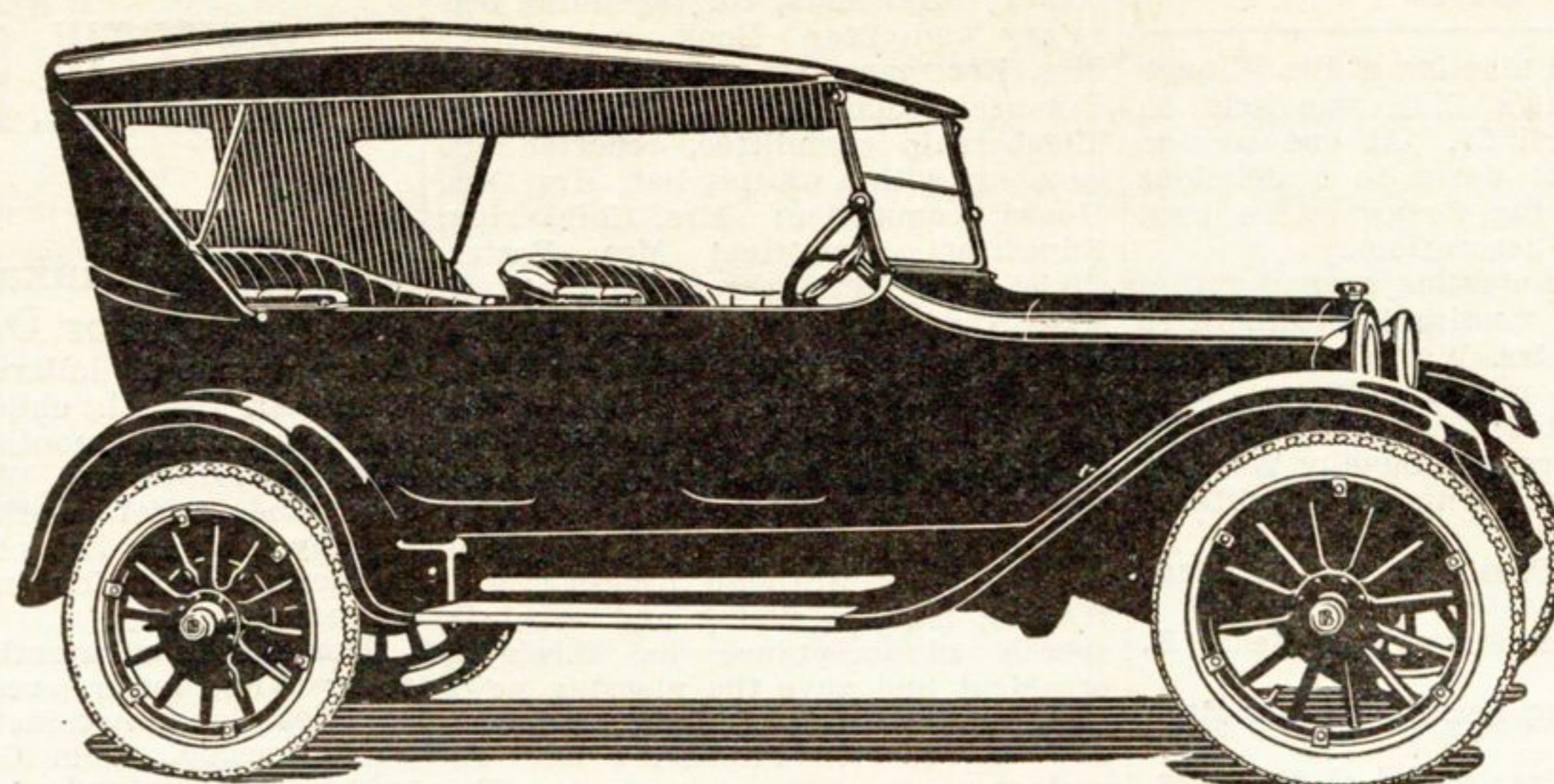
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