PROCLAMATION

Proposing Amendments to the Constitution of the State, 1922

WHEREAS, at the January Session of the General Assembly of Maryland, held in the year 1922, five Acts were passed, proposing additions and amendments to the Constitution of the State, to-wit: Chapter 7, proposing an amendment to Section 2 of Article 3, title, "Legislative Department"; Chapter 20, proposing an amendment to Section 4 of Article 3, title, "Legislative Department"; Chapter 141, proposing an amendment to Section 1 of Article 6, title "Treasury Department"; Chapter 227, proposing an additional Article to the Constitution, to be known as Article XVII thereof, title, "Quadrennial Elections"; and Chapter 275, proposing an amendment to Section 10 of Article 15, title, "Miscellaneous"; and which said five Acts are in the words and figures following:

CHAPTER 7.

AN ACT to propose an amendment to Section 2 of Article III, of the Constitution of the State of Maryland, title "Legislative Department," increasing the number of legislative districts of Baltimore City, and providing for the submission of said amendment to the qualified voters of the State of Maryland for adoption or rejection:

Section 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, three-fifths of all the members of each of the two House concurring, that the following Section be and the same is hereby proposed as an amendment to Section 2 of Article III of the Constitution of the State of Maryland, title "Legislative Department," the same if adopted by the legally qualified voters of the State, as herein provided, to become Section 2 of Article III of the Constitution of the State of Maryland.

2. The City of Baltimore shall be divided into six legislative districts as near as may be of equal population and of contiguous territory, and each of said legislative districts of Baltimore City, as they may from time to time be laid out, in accordance with the provisions hereof, and each county in the State, shall be entitled to one Senator, who shall be elected by the qualified voters of the said legislative districts of Baltimore City and of the counties of the State, respectively, and shall serve for four years from the date of his election, subject to the classification of Senators hereafter provided for.

Sec. 2. And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, That said aforegoing section, hereby proposed as an amendment to the Constitution, shall be at the next general election for Members of the House of Representatives of Congress held in this State submitted to the legal and qualified voters of the State for adoption or rejection, in pursuance of the directions contained in Article XIV of the Constitution of this State, and at the said general election the vote on the said proposed amendment to the Constitution shall be by ballot, and upon each ballot there shall be printed the words "For the Constitutional Amendment" and "Against the Constitutional Amendment," as now provided by law, and immediately after said election due returns shall be made to the Governor of the vote for and against said proposed amendment, as directed by said Fourteenth Article of the Constitution, and further proceedings had in accordance with said Article Fourteen.

Approved March 1, 1922.

ARTICLE 20.

AN ACT to propose an amendment to Section 4 of Article III of the Constitution of the State of Maryland, title "Legislative Department," regulating the representation of the City of Baltimore in the House of Delegates; and providing for the submission of said amendment to the qualified voters of the State for adoption or rejection.

Section 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, three-fifths of all the members of each of the two Houses concurring, that the following Section be and the same is hereby proposed as an amendment to Section 4 of Article III of the Constitution of the State of Maryland, title "Legislative Department," the same if adopted by the legally qualified voters of the State, as herein provided, to become Section 4 of Article III of the Constitution of the State of Maryland.

4. As soon as may be, after the taking and publishing of the National Census of 1900, or after the enumeration of the population of this State, under the authority thereof, there shall be an apportionment of representation in the House of Delegates, to be made on the following basis, to wit: Each of the several counties of the State, having a population of eighteen thousand souls or less, shall be entitled to two delegates; and every county having a population of over eighteen thousand and less than twenty-eight thousand souls, shall be entitled to three delegates; and every county having a population of twenty-eight thousand and less than forty thousand souls, shall be entitled to four delegates; and every county having a population of forty thousand and less than fifty-five thousand souls, shall be entitled to five delegates; and every county having a population of fifty-five thousand souls and upwards shall be entitled to six delegates and no more; and each of the six legislative districts of the City of Baltimore shall be entitled to the number of delegates to which the largest county shall or may be entitled under the aforegoing apportionment, and the General Assembly shall have the power to provide by law, from time to time, for altering and changing the boundaries of the existing legislative districts of the City of Baltimore, so as to make them as near as may be of equal population; but said district shall always consist of contiguous territory. In case the General Assembly, at the regular session of nineteen hundred and twenty-two, fails to fix the boundaries of the six legislative districts of the City of Baltimore, the Board of Supervisors of Elections of said city shall fix the boundaries of the six legislative districts, subject to the limitations contained herein, and shall give adequate notice of the same; and the boundaries so fixed shall remain until altered or changed by the General Assembly.

Sec. 2. And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, That said aforegoing section, hereby proposed as an amendment to the Constitution, shall be at the next general election for Members of the House of Representatives of Congress held in this State submitted to the legal and qualified voters of the State for adoption or rejection, in pursuance of the directions contained in Article XIV of the Constitution of this State, and at the said general election the vote on the said proposed amendment to the Constitution shall be by ballot, and upon each ballot there shall be printed the words "For the Constitutional Amendment" and "Against the Constitutional Amendment," as now provided by law, and immediately after said election due returns shall be made to the Governor of the vote for and against said proposed amendment, as directed by said Fourteenth Article of the Constitution, and further proceedings had in accordance with said Article Fourteen.

Approved March 1, 1922.

CHAPTER 141.

AN ACT to propose an amendment to Section 1 of Article 6, title "Treasury Department," of the Constitution of Maryland, prescribing the salary of the Comptroller and the terms of office of the Comptroller and the Treasurer; and providing for the submission of said amendment to the qualified voters of the State for adoption or rejection.

Section 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, three-fifths of all the members of each of the two Houses concurring, that the following be and the same hereby is proposed as an amendment to Section 1 of Article 6, title "Treasury Department," of the Constitution of Maryland, the same if adopted by the legally qualified voters of the State, as herein provided, to become Section 1 of Article 6 of the Constitution.

Section 1. There shall be a Treasury Department, consisting of a Comptroller chosen by the qualified electors of the State, at each general election at which the Governor is chosen, who shall receive such salary as may be fixed by law; and a Treasurer, to be appointed by the two Houses of the Legislature, at each regular session thereof, in which begins the term of the Governor, on joint ballot, who shall receive an annual salary of two thousand five hundred dollars; and the terms of office of the said Comptroller and Treasurer shall be for four years, and until their successors shall qualify; and neither of the said officers shall be allowed, or receive any fees, commissions or perquisites of any kind in addition to his salary for the performance of any duty or services whatsoever. In case of a vacancy in either of the offices by death or otherwise, the Governor, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate, shall fill such vacancy by appointment, to continue until another election or a choice by the Legislature, as the case may be, and until the qualification of the successor. The Comptroller and the Treasurer shall keep their offices at the seat of government, and shall take such oath, and enter into such bonds for the faithful discharge of their duties as are now, or may hereafter be prescribed by law.

Sec. 2. And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, That the said aforegoing section hereby proposed as an amendment to the Constitution, shall at the next ensuing general election for members of Congress, to be held in this State on the Tuesday next after the first Monday of November, one thousand nine hundred and twenty-two, be submitted to the legal and qualified voters of the State for their adoption or rejection in conformity with the directions contained in Article XIV of the Constitution of this State, and at the said election the vote on the said proposed amendment to the Constitution shall be by ballot, and upon each ballot there shall be printed the words "For the Constitutional Amendment" and "Against the Constitutional Amendment," as now provided by law, and immediately after said election due returns shall be made to the Governor of the vote for and against said proposed amendment, and further proceedings had in accordance with Article 14 of the Constitution.

Approved April 13, 1922.

CHAPTER 227.

AN ACT to propose an amendment to the Constitution of the State of Maryland by adding thereto a new Article to be numbered "Article XVII," entitled "Quadrennial Elections," the same providing that all State officers, except judges and all county officers elected by qualified voters shall be elected in every fourth year for terms of four years; and adjusting terms of State and county appointive officers; and providing that all provisoins of the Constitution inconsistent with the provisions of this Article be repealed to the extent of such inconsistency; and providing for the submission of said amendment to the qualified voters of the State for adoption or rejection.

Section 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, three-fifths of all the members of the two Houses concurring. That the following new Article to be numbered "Article XVII," title "Quadrennial Elections," be and the same is hereby proposed as an amendment to the Constitution of the State of Maryland. The same if adopted by the legally qualified voters of the State, as herein provided, to become a part of said Constitution, and to be numbered and titled as aforesaid.

ARTICLE XVII.

Quadrennial Elections.

Section 1. All State officers elected by qualified voters (except judges of the Circuit Court of the several circuits, the member of the Court of Appeals from Baltimore City, and members of the Supreme Bench of Baltimore City), and all county officers elected by qualified voters, shall hold office for terms of four years, and until their successors shall qualify.

Section 2. Elections by qualified voters for State and county officers shall be held on the Tuesday next after the first Monday of November, in the year nineteen hundred and twenty-six, and on the same day in every fourth year thereafter.

Section 3. Members of the House of Delegates and all other State and county officers elected by the qualified voters at the election to be held on the Tuesday next after the first Monday of November, in the year nineteen hundred and twenty-three for terms of office heretofore fixed by law at two years, shall hold office for terms of three years; the Governor, Attorney General, members of the State Senate and all other State and county officers elected by the qualified voters at the election to be held on the Tuesday next after the first Monday in November, in the year nineteen hundred and twenty-three, for terms of office heretofore fixed by law at four years, shall hold office for terms of three years; Registers of Wills, Clerks of Court and all other State and county officers elected by qualified voters at the election to be held on the Tuesday next after the first Monday of November, in the year nineteen hundred and twenty-three, for terms of office heretofore fixed by law at six years, shall hold office for terms of three years; and all such State and county officers elected by qualified voters thereafter shall hold office for terms of four years.

Section 4. All officers to be appointed by the Governor under existing provisions of law in the year nineteen hundred and twenty-four for terms of office heretofore fixed by law at two years, shall hold office for terms of three years; all officers so appointed for terms of office heretofore fixed by law at four years, shall hold office for terms of three years; all officers so appointed for terms of office heretofore fixed by law at six years, shall hold office for terms of five years, and thereafter appointments by the Governor shall be for the terms heretofore fixed by law, unless otherwise duly changed by law. All officers appointed by County Commisisoners after the election to be held on the Tuesday next after the first Monday in November, nineteen hundred and twenty-three, for terms of office of two, four or six years, shall hold office for terms of three years, and thereafter appointment by the County Commissioners shall be for terms of four years, unless otherwise duly changed by law.

Section 5. The terms of all State and county officers heretofore elected by qualified voters, and whose successors would not be elected until the Tuesday next after the first Monday of November, nineteen hundred and twenty-five, shall be increased by one year, and their successors shall be elected for the regular term at the election to be held on the Tuesday next after the first Monday of November, nineteen hundred and twenty-six. The terms of all State and county officers, heretofore elected by qualified voters, and whose successors would not be elected until the Tuesday next after the first Monday of November, nineteen hundred and twenty-seven, shall remain unchanged; their successors shall be elected for a term of three years at the elections to be held on the Tuesday next after the first Monday of November, nineteen hundred and twenty-six, but shall not take office until the expiration of the full term for which their predecessors have been elected; and their successors shall be elected for the regular term at the election to be held on the Tuesday next after the first Monday of November, nineteen hundred and thirty. Nothing herein shall affect the terms of any judge of the Circuit Court of the several circuits, the member of the Court of Appeals from Baltimore City or any member of the Supreme Bench of Baltimore City; if the term of any such judge shall expire in a year in which no election for members of the General Assembly is held, the Governor shall appoint a person duly qualified to fill said office, who shall hold the same until the next general election for members of the General Assembly, when a successor shall be elected for the term elsewhere provided. The terms of all State and county officers heretofore appointed for terms which will not expire until during the year nineteen hundred and twenty-five, nineteen hundred and twenty-six, nineteen huhdred and twenty-seven or nineteen hundred and twenty-eight shall be reduced by one year, and their successors shall be appointed for the terms now provided by law in the years nineteen hundred and twenty-four, nineteen hundred and twenty-five, nineteen hundred and twenty-six or nineteen hundred and twenty-seven, respectively. In the event that the term of any officer appointed by the Governor with the advice and consent of the Senate shall expire in the year nineteen hundred and twenty-five or twenty-six, the Governor shall have power to appoint a successor, who shall serve for the full term subject to confirmation by the Senate at the regular session to be held under this Article in the year nineteen hundred and twenty-seven.

Section 6. The General Assembly shall meet on the first Wednesday of January, nineteen hundred and twenty-four, for a regular session, and shall not meet again for a regular session until the first Wednesday of January, nineteen hundred and twenty-seven, and the General Assembly shall meet on the same day in every second year thereafter and at no other time, unless convened by proclamation of the Governor.

Section 7. The term of the Treasurer elected by the General Assembly at the regular session of nineteen hundred and twenty-four shall be three years. Thereafter the term shall be the same as elsewhere provided.

Section 8. The terms of the Members of the Board of Supervisors of Elections of Baltimore City and of the several counties shall commence on the first Monday of June next ensuing their appointment.

Section 9. The vote to be held under the provisions of Section 2 of Article XIV of the Constitution for the purpose of taking the sense of the people in regard to calling a Constitutional Convention shall be held at the general election in the year nineteen hundred and thirty, and every twenty years thereafter.

Section 10. The Governor shall submit three budgets to the General Assembly at the regular session of nineteen hundred and twenty-four, in accordance with the provisions of Section 52 of Artcile III of the Constitution, for the three fiscal years beginning October first, nineteen hundred and twenty-four, and ending September thirtieth, nineteen hundred and twenty-seven and two budgets to the General Assembly at the regular session of nineteen hundred and twenty-seven, and thereafter as now provided by said section.

Section 11. The purpose of this Article is to reduce the number of elections, by providing that all State and county elections shall be held only in every fourth year, and at the time now provided by law for holding congressional elections; and to bring the terms of appointive officers into harmony with the changes affected in the time of the beginning of the terms of elective officers; and the administrative and judicial officers of the State shall construe the provisions of this Article so as to effectuate that purpose. For the purpose of this Article only the word "officers" shall be construed to include those holding positions and other places of employment in the State and county governments whose terms are fixed by law, but it shall not include any appointments made by the Board of Public Works, nor appointments by the Governor for terms of three years.

Section 12. The General Assembly, at the regular session in the year nineteen hundred and twenty-four, shall make such changes in the primary and general election laws, and otherwise, as may be necessary to carry out the provisions of this Article. There shall be no election for State or county officers in the year nineteen hundred and twenty-five.

Section 13. In the event of any inconsistency between the provisions of this Article and any of the other provisions of the Constitution, the provisions of this Article shall prevail, and all other provisions shall be repealed or abrogated to the extent of such inconsistency.

Section 2. And be it further enacted by the authoity aforesaid, That said aforegoing section, hereby proposed as an amendment to the Constitution shall be at the next general election for Members of the House of Representatives of Congress held in this State submitted to the legal and qualified voters of the State for adoption or rejection, in pursuance of the directions contained in Article XIV of the Constitution of this State, and at the said general election the vote on the said proposed amendment to the Constitution shall be by ballot, and upon each ballot there shall be printed the following synopsis of said amendment under the caption of

"CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT PROVIDING FOR FEWER ELECTIONS."

"This amendment provides that all State officers, except judges, and all county officers elected by qualified voters shall be elected in every fourth year for terms of four years beginning with the election in November, nineteen hundred and twenty-six. The terms of State and county officers to be elected in nineteen hundred and twenty-three are reduced to three years, and the terms of other elective officers are increased or reduced, as necessary, so that their successors may be elected in nineteen hundred and twenty-six. Terms of officers appointed by the Governor and by County Commissioners are adjusted in harmony with the terms of the officials by whom they are appointed. The General Assembly shall meet in nineteen hundred and twenty-four for a regular session, and again in nineteen hundred and twenty-seven, and every two years thereafter. Other provisions of the Constitution and of the Laws are adjusted to harmonize with the above changes"; and the words "For Fewer Elections Amendment" and "Against Fewer Elections Amendment," as now provided by law, and immediately after said election due returns shall be made to the Governor of the vote for and against said proposed amendment, as directed by said Fourteenth Article of the Constitution, and further proceedings had in accordance with said Article Fourteen.

Approved April 13, 1922.

CHAPTER 275.

AN ACT to propose an amendment to Section 10 of Article XV of the Constitution of the State of Maryland, title "Miscellaneous," providing that words or phrases used in creating public offices and positions shall be construed to include the feminine gender; and providing for the submission of said amendment to the qualified voters of the State for adoption or rejection.

Section 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland (three-fifths of all the members of each of the two Houses concurring), That the following section be and the same is hereby proposed as an amendment to Section 10 of Article XV of the Constitution of the State of Maryland, title "Miscellaneous," the same if adopted by the legally qualified voters of the State, as herein provided, to become Section 10 of Article XV of the Constitution of the State of Maryland:

Section 10. Any officer elected or appointed in pursuance of the provisions of this Constitution, may qualify, either according to the existing provisions of law in relation to officers under the present Constitution, or before the Governor of the State, or before any Clerk of any Court of Record in any part of the State; but in case an officer shall qualify out of the County in which he resides, an official copy of his oath shall be filed and recorded in the Clerk's office of the Circuit Court of the County in which he may reside, or in the Clerk's office of the Superior Court of the City of Baltimore, if he shall reside therein. All words or phrases, used in creating public offices and positions under the Constitution and laws of this State, which denote the masculine gender shall be construed to include the feminine gender, unless the contrary intention is specifically expressed.

Sec. 2. And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, That said aforegoing section, hereby proposed as an amendment to the Constitution, shall be at the next general election for Members of the House of Representatives of Congress held in this State submitted to the legal and qualified voters of the State for adoption or rejection, in pursuance of the directions contained in Article XIV of the Constitution of this State, and at the said general election the vote on the said proposed amendment to the Constitution shall be by ballot, and upon each ballot there shall be printed the words "For the Constitutional Amendment" and "Against the Constitutional Amendment," as now provided by law, and immediately after said election due returns shall be made to the Governor of the vote for and against said proposed amendment, as directed by said Fourteenth Article of the Constitution, and further proceedings had in accordance with said Article Fourteen.

Approved April 13, 1922.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, ALBERT C. RITCHIE, GOVERNOR OF MARYLAND, in pursuance of the direction contained in Section 1 of Article 14 of the Constitution of Maryland, do hereby order and direct that this Proclamation, containing a full, true and correct copy of the text of said Chaptors 7, 20, 141, 227 and 275 of the Acts of the General Assembly of Maryland of 1922, be published in at least two newspapers in each of the counties of the State where so many may be published and where not more than one may be published then in that newspaper, and in three newspapers published in the City of Baltimore, one of which shall be published in the German language, once a week for at least three months next preceding the election to be held in the State of Maryland, on Tuesday, November 7th, 1922, at which said election the said proposed amendments to the Constitution of the State shall be submitted in the form and manner prescribed by the General Assembly, to the legal and qualified voters of the State for their adoption or rejection.

GIVEN UNDER MY HAND AND THE GREAT SEAL OF MARYLAND. Done at the City of Annapolis, this 23th day of July, in the year of our Lord, One Thousand Nine Hundred and Twenty-two.

ALBERT C. RITCHIE,
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DEMOCRATIC UNITY THROUGHOUT STATE

PARTY WORKERS SHOW ENTHUSIASM. EVILS OF TARIFF TAX EXPOSED BY SPEAKERS.

The greatest outstanding feature of the campaign of William Cabell Bruce for United States Senator is Democratic Party unity. It has been many years since a candidate for Congress, in making a speaking tour of the State, has been tendered such unanimous support, without factional differences, as has come to Mr. Bruce. In each of the counties so far visited the meetings have brought together the most prominent men of all shades of Democratic opinion, and the large number of Independents and Republicans noted shows that the issues have aroused many entirely outside of the regular Democratic ranks.

The same condition is true in Baltimore City, where, after one of the most spirited primary contests for sometime past, the recent opponent of Mr. Bruce, Mr. William I. Norris, and his friends, have buckled down to hard work and promised to carry their districts by large pluralities for the Democratic senatorial candidate and the rest of the ticket.

The unity of party workers both in the counties and the city of Baltimore, along with the overwhelming registration advantage of the Democratic side, is the cause of much enthusiasm among party workers.

Speakers who have appeared with Mr. Bruce at the meetings throughout the state have aroused a wide response by a telling recitation of facts concerning the great burdens of increased cost of living to be placed upon the people by a tariff that is merely an additional taxation without any benefits whatsoever to the residents of either the rural districts or larger communities, as the tax on the people for necessities of life will be merely poured into the treasuries of the great trusts and monopolies of the country.

This point was strikingly brought out in several addresses. The speakers stated that the Republican Congress had lifted taxes amounting to more than half a billion dollars a year from the shoulders of the rich and has placed a corresponding burden upon the shoulders of the rank and file of the population. The Republicans repealed the excess profit tax, reduced the maximum of the income tax, and, as a balance, enacted a vicious tariff law.

"When you pay state and county taxes you get a bill and receipt, showing just what you paid," said one speaker, "but the tariff taxes are levied on everything you buy; you pay them when you buy a quart of salt, a pound of sugar, a suit of clothes and many other things which are necessary to your health and comfort."

AN OLD MARYLAND BRIDGE

By Harry Pringle Ford

(Years ago, when the writer was a student at Washington College, the wooden bridge over the Chester river, connecting the counties of Kent and Queen Anne's, at Chestertown, was a favorite meeting place and promenade with the young people of the town and college.)

O Chester bridge! O river fair!
Our hearts grow faint with longing
For joys long fled, for friends long dead,
What thoughts of them come thronging!

O happy days! O starry nights!
The fairest city highway,
However rare, could not compare
With the old bridge's byway.

O days of youth! O vanished years!
When life knew naught of sadness;
When faith and love, born from above,
Thrilled our young lives with gladness.

O ancient bridge! O mystic scene!
With girls than Elaine rarer,
We dared to dream King Arthur's dreams
To make our own lives fairer.
O tides that ebb! O tides that flow!

O peerless, restless river!
Our lone hearts yearn for the return
Of old days gone forever!
Still loit'ring love the old bridge seeks;
Still seaward flows the river,
Beyond time's tide old friends abide,
At home, with God, forever!

Razing Landmark

Townsend, Delaware's, old landmark, a two and one-half story building which has been of much historical interest to all the residents of the lower part of New Castle County, is being razed by order of the railroad company to make room forseveral improvements to be made around the company's station at Townsend.

The building was erected in 1885 by Captain James Wilson, and during its existence has been used for a drug store, shoe shop, post office, a magistrate's office andd a what me-not.

After being erected, the building was neglected and allowed to yeardy depreciate until almost a reck. An odd circumstance was that several of Captain Wilson's heirs figured in lithigation over the property for fifty years, each claiming an interest, and it is further alleged that no definate terms of setlement among them could ever be reached until recently when Mr. Wilson, of Smyrna, sold the property to the railroad company, after having secured the consent of the heirs to do this. Consequently a force of workmen began tearing down the buildings on Wednesday and the material is being sold for kindling to the various town residents.

—Seven stills were smashed and thousands of gallons of peach mash destroyed by several enforcement officials who recntly visited Giles Island, seven miles north of Perryville on the Susquehanna river. No arrests were made. The agents found the largest still on the north end of the island, where 1200 gallons of peach brandy was found.

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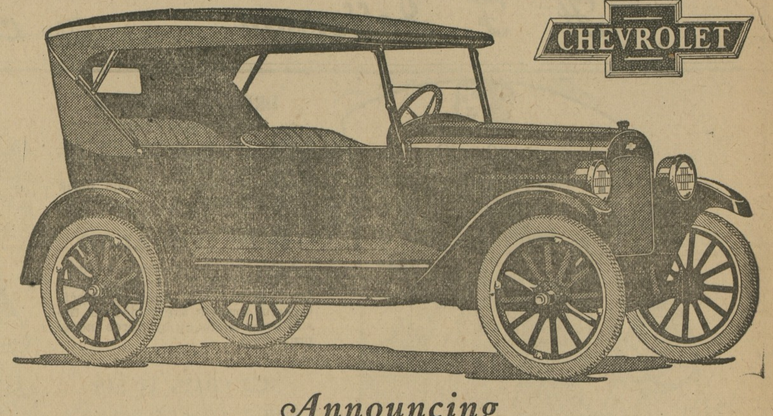

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