

### Chattahoochee River Floods West Point



View of West Point, Ga., which is one of the southern cities under water as the result of recent floods throughout the region. The Chattahoochee River can be seen at the left of the picture, and is still overflowing its banks.

### Fond du Lac Streets Flooded



Streets in Fond du Lac, Wis., took on the appearance of rivers when melting snow caused the Fond du Lac river to overrun its banks. The scene shows automobiles navigating in the manner of boats.

### Olvany Resigns



Announcement that George W. Olvany, Chief Schemer of Tammany Hall, had resigned came as a bombshell to the organization. The only reason given was ill health, but close friends are inclined to believe that pressure of business caused his action.

**NEWS FROM PREBLE**  
Mrs. Milton Hoffman, who has been spending several days visiting Mr. and Mrs. Milton Kidd, of Plymouth, returned home Monday.  
Mr. and Mrs. Victor Bultemier and family spent Thursday evening visiting Mr. and Mrs. George Bultemier.

### Got a Lindy Thrill



The thrill of a lifetime came to Mrs. Frederick W. Broatch as she sat in her hotel at Brownsville, realizing that she had flown with "Lindy" from Mexico City to the Texas border town, one of the two passengers to be with the Flying Colonel when he made the first airmail trip.

Mr. and Mrs. John Brown of Grand Rapids, Michigan, spent last week visiting Mr. and Mrs. Orval Heller and family and other relatives.  
Mrs. Charles Sullivan and daughter Mrs. Henry Decker spent Tuesday at Geneva.  
Mrs. E. Liechtensteiger and sons' spent last week visiting Mr. and Mrs. Albert Werling and daughters.  
Mrs. Fred Ranssler and Mrs. Henry Kirchner were shoppers in Decatur, Tuesday afternoon.  
Mrs. E. Malloney spent last week visiting Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Elzey.  
Mr. and Mrs. D. Elzey of Decatur spent Thursday visiting Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Elzey.

### COFFIN AWARD WINNERS NAMED

Everette Gearhart, a stock-keeper in the Fort Wayne Works, is one of the twenty-eight out of 78,000 employees of the General Electric Company to be honored with the Charles A. Coffin award "for the most signal contributions by employees of the General Electric Co., toward the increase of its efficiency or progress in the electrical art."  
Mr. Gearhart went outside his routine work to offer a profitable suggestion to the company's engineer. His duties are to receive and keep record of raw materials used in manufacture, stow them away in their proper bins, issue them as needed, and keep a record of the requisitions.  
He had learned that the engineers were striving to simplify the gear in a certain type of meter register and had not been able to solve the problem. He had become familiar in his work with the construction of meter registers, and it occurred to him that the gear in a certain type could be adapted to the type in question. He suggested this, and it proved to be the case. The dilemma was overcome, thereby reducing manufacturing difficulties and rejections, as well as improving the projections as well as increasing in cost.  
The twenty-eight awards this year were divided among seven engineers, five firemen, four commercial employees, four firemen, four commercial employees, an artist and one administrative employee. This is the sixth successive year in which awards have been made by the Charles A. Coffin Foundation which is a perpetual memorial of Charles A. Coffin, first president of the company.

**Varieties of Waterfowl**  
The term "waterfowl" includes ducks, geese, swans, gulls, pelicans, etc. There are 350 different kinds of birds found in Oregon and Washington, about half of which would be water birds. They are found along the coasts and in the marshes of rivers and lakes.

### Some Warlike Females Who Fought Own Battles

Many married men suspect the truth of the legend of the Amazons, a race of warlike women who once overran Europe, ventured as far as India and Africa and founded colonies in Asia Minor. Fairly authentic history records that in 1540 an explorer, Francisco de Orellana, making his way from Peru to the Atlantic through the Brazils, was told of a tribe of warrior women who lived apart from the men. He proceeded on his journey and approached the neighborhood at the junction of the Madera and Marañon rivers, and suddenly found himself opposed by a group of warlike women who were gathered on the banks and were leading the men in what might have been a battle, had the explorer given them any excuse for it.  
Being convinced that he had fallen on the renowned Amazons, Orellana cross-examined some of the natives, who confirmed his belief. The women appeared to be very tall, robust, fair of complexion, with long hair twisted over their heads and skins of wild beasts wound around their loins. They carried bows and arrows with which they succeeded in killing many of the explorer's party.  
It is said to have been for these fair but ferocious enemies that Orellana named the river Amazon.

### Figures Are Valuable Only When Accurate

Statistics are like knives; they can be used for good or evil, observes Dr. Thurman B. Rice in Hygieia. The commonest sentence heard in debates usually begins: "Statistics prove that—." But Doctor Rice warns that statistics prove nothing except when they have been accurately collected, compiled, interpreted and applied.  
In the hands of some devotee of a faddish project a given set of figures may prove or disprove anything. When one hears a speaker quote figures from memory or without giving the source of his information it is time to go home, says Doctor Rice. It is easy to forget whether a certain death rate was 14 per thousand or 14 per hundred thousand.  
The unscientific man uses figures to prove what he started out to prove, while the scientist uses them to lead him to the truth.

### The Rapacious Pike

The pike's reputation for cruelty and voraciousness is such that it has been popularly dubbed the "water wolf." It is probable, however, that many species of sea fish are equally, if not a great deal more, rapacious.  
Large dogfish, congers, pollack, cod and bass are especially ferocious, while halibut will very often seize and kill other large fish. An English angler was "playing" a large conger when a huge halibut swam up to and savagely bit at it—a proceeding that cost the halibut its life, for on it making for the foundered conger a second time the boatman contrived to gaff and haul it aboard.  
There have been many examples of pike being found dead, choked by their own species, and these fish not infrequently attack another pike that has been hooked by a fisherman.

### Big Bertha

"Big Bertha" had a firing distance of 75 miles. The principle on which this long-distance gun was operated is that if a shell is fired upward at an angle of 55 degrees to the horizontal, and at a high velocity, so that the shell will rise above the dense atmosphere close to the earth's surface and rapidly reach the thin air which exists at a height of ten miles above the earth, then its flight will be practically unimpeded and it will travel a great distance before it falls again. During its flight from the "Big Bertha" the German shell rose to a height of 24 miles, and traveled more than 50 miles of its course in a very thin atmosphere.

### Variety in London

Odd conditions are frequently brought to light in connection with the thoroughfares in London. Often opposite sides of streets are in different boroughs. One pavement will be illuminated by incandescent gas; across the road electric light is used. The dustbins of the "odds" are more frequently emptied than those of the "evens." A child living at No. 41 may attend a school from which No. 42's infants are debarred. And in certain districts it is quite common to see, at the closing hour of a public house on one side of the road, little groups crossing the street to where an extra half-hour's license permits of "just another."

### "Corn" or "Maize"

An English writer says: "What a pity it is that we cannot come to some agreement with North America about 'corn' and 'maize.' Corn with us means wheat. Across the Atlantic it means maize. So when I read, as I have done just now, that paper has been successfully made from 'corn stalks,' I don't know what is meant. On this paper a daily journal has been printed in the state of Kansas. This looks like being a discovery of far-reaching consequence."

### Patiently Waiting

Mrs. Nexdore—Isn't your husband doing anything to cure his deafness? Mrs. Nayber—Not now, but he will as soon as your daughter has finished her singing lessons.—Pathfinder.

### TO GIVE LESSON IN NUTRITION

#### Purdue Representative To Meet With Club Leaders Here Tuesday

The first Home Economics Meeting in nutrition work will be held next Tuesday March 19 in the Domestic Science room of the Decatur high school building.  
One-third of all the counties in Indiana are carrying on one of the three nutrition projects given by the Home Economics Extension Department of Purdue University this year.  
Last year, 17,000 women were reached by this work, which was presented to them by 1,155 leaders in 1,487 meetings.  
This work is carried on by the local leadership plan. Two leaders are elected to represent each organized group and these leaders meet with Miss Aneta Reade, the nutrition specialist from Purdue University, five times during the year. It is the aim in every county to have each township represented in this work.  
Every woman is interested in the welfare of her family and health is one of the most important items to consider. The saying, "We dig our graves with our teeth," is only too true.  
Adams county has selected second year nutrition work for this year. Women are urged to get in touch with the county agent, F. E. Christen, if they are not already enrolled in a Home Economics Club, so they will be able to start the first meeting, which is to be held next Tuesday morning, March 19, at 10 o'clock.

### FIRE DESTROYS AUTO ON HIGHWAY

#### Car Belonging To Phillip Kuhn, Of Decatur, Burns East Of City

The Studabaker touring car belonging to Phillip Kuhn, of this city, caught fire and was almost completely destroyed early this morning, southeast of this city. A broken gasoline pipe is said to have been the cause of the fire.  
Mr. Kuhn was returning to Decatur and evidently the car struck a sharp rut, which snapped the gasoline line. The flames spread to all parts of the car and left nothing but the frame and the wheels.  
The wreckage was towed to the R. N. Runyon garage in this city early this morning. None of the occupants was injured in the fire.

### FOURTEEN DIE IN PLANE CRASH

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The plane. It was travelling about 100 miles an hour, they said, skimming the marsh reeds and heading for the railroad tracks.  
Next the towermen, Matthew Torhan and William Murtagh, heard the noise of a terrific impact. Sand in the open freight car shot into the air; gasoline spurted thirty feet from the planes tanks.  
Torhan and Murtagh ran to the spot. They found the plane in two pieces, one consisting of the smashed cabin, the other of the wings and pilot's compartment.  
Foote rose from the wreckage, swayed and toppled into the freight car. Another man crawled out of the compartment and stood dizzily on the smashed and splintered steel.  
**First Artificial Ice**  
The Italians in the Sixteenth century, were the first to manufacture artificial ice for mercantile purposes.

### Clarence Spuller On Honor Roll At Purdue

Lafayette, Ind., March 18 Clarence L. Spuller, Decatur, a senior in the school of Agriculture at Purdue University, was one of 256 persons of the entire student body of more than 4,000 to attain a place on the honor roll for the past semester, according to a list as announced today by President Edward C. Elliott. To gain a place on this list, a student must have three-fourths of his or her grades A or better, which is 90 per cent or above, and none of the other fourth below 85.

### New Filling Station Is Being Constructed

Abe Schnepf is building a filling station at the northeast corner of his farm, Thirteenth street extended and Winchester street extended, connecting with federal road No. 27. The station will be ready to open next week. Mr. Schnepf will sell Sinclair oil. It was stated that another filling station would be built directly across from Mr. Schnepf's station, on the southeast corner of the Johnson farm.

### Reports About Mexican Rebellion Are Conflicting

By The United Press  
Conflicting reports from the Torreón area—center of the Mexican rebellion military maneuvers—hid the true situation today as fighting started for possession of the city held by rebels under Gen. J. Gonzales Escobar.  
Government announcements at Mexico City said federal troops had defeated rebels at two points, had clashed a third and that four columns had been ordered to attack Torreón today. Rebel leaders claimed sweeping victories at San Pedro—one of the battles which the government claimed to have won—and at other points near Torreón, one announcement asserting that insurgents had captured 1,200 government soldiers.

### William Parent Attends Convention At Purdue

William Parent, line foreman of the city light and power department returned from Lafayette, Saturday night after attending the fifth annual con-



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vention of electric line foremen's association, at Purdue University, convention was in session on the floor of the electrical engineering building when fire broke out in the floor of that building, Thursday. The station was destroyed, but the building was not damaged, except the where the station was located.

**Jamboree**  
A Jacksonville negro was driving a flivver round and round tree out in the woods recently. Asked what he was doing, he replied: "I'm makin' des' as many 'lef-han' turns as I pleases without gettin' called down by a cop."

**Names Given Moons**  
The expression "harvest moon" occurs in English literature as early as 1706. In 1710 there is reference to the "hunter's moon."

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