

## Doughboys Plan Gay Time at Castle Hall

Doughboys, pill-rollers and mule drivers are urged to get their "gals" and report at the post rooms of the Robert Keen, Kingston Post, American Legion, in Castle Hall next Monday night. There will be card play and dancing, according to those in on the know.

## Boy at Play Struck by Auto; Leg Broken

Porter Farrell, colored, 9, 604 Indiana avenue, received a fracture of the right leg late yesterday in an automobile accident in front of his home while playing a game of marbles.

The child was struck by Jesse Baldwin, 1206 Centennial street, witnesses say, as he was about to pick up a marble that had rolled into the car tracks. He was sent to the city hospital. Sergeant Johnson did not hold Baldwin when wit-

nesses told him that he was driving slowly.

Robert Gregory, colored, 828 Spring street, received injuries to his left knee when a wagon he was driving was struck by an automobile driven by Roman Sauer, 2305 South Meridian street, under the elevation in South Meridian street.

## PUSS IN BOOTS JR.

By David Cory.

Well, as soon as the little Gnome Bakers had left, as the Gnome King had commanded them to do in the last story, he turned to Puss and said: "Be careful, you may eat too much. Gnome cake is more filling than that of mortal make." But Puss paid no heed. Already he had eaten a great hole in the cake, and finding the inside warm and flaky, he had squeezed himself through the openings. It was much easier to eat the inside, as it was softer, and the crust had already grown quite hard.

He was so busy eating he did not no-

tice that as he ate away the inside of the sponge cake the outside grew tighter, and pretty soon the opening through which he had crawled became smaller and smaller, and finally closed altogether.

When Puss found this out he was indeed frightened. He pounded on the walls of his sponge cake prison and called loudly to the Gnome King.

Finally, he thought he heard the voice of his small friend. He pressed his ear

close to the wall and listened. Sure enough, he could just hear the words, "Hold tight to one side and brace your feet," and the next moment the cake ball began to move.

Slowly at first, but in a few minutes it began to roll faster and faster. Puss was terrified, for it was very difficult to keep his body from playing battledore and shuttlecock. The greater the speed of the huge mass, however, the less

chance there was to bounce from side to side, and soon Puss found himself literally glued, as it were, to one side, when all of a sudden there was a terrific crash. The crust of the cake ball broke into a thousand pieces, and Puss landed safely some distance away, still clinging to a huge piece of sponge cake, which acted like a cushion between him and the ground.

After wiping some stray crumbs from

his eyes, he saw his little friend, the Gnome, running towards him. The Gnome sat down on a piece of cake to rest himself and regain his breath before speaking. What he said when he did speak, however, made Puss run quickly over to the brook that ran through the meadow, to look at himself. To his dismay, what

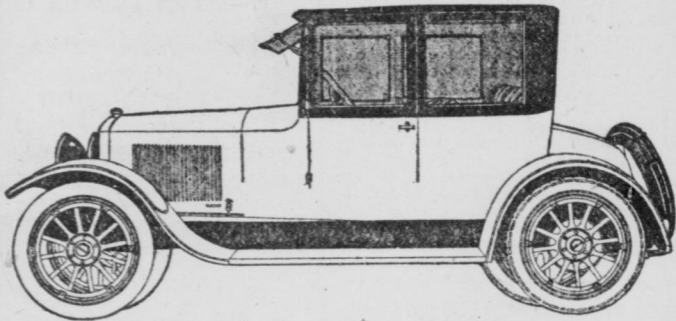
the Gnome had said was indeed too true. Puss was nearly as broad as he was high. The cake he had eaten had made him as round as a ball.

"Twas a lucky thing I kept you from drinking more of the watermelon juice," said the Gnome. Otherwise, you might have eaten the whole cake, and then,

goodness knows, you'd have grown twice as big.

"But don't worry, we will find a magic charm to cure you." And in the next story you shall hear how the Queen of the Fairies helped little Puss Junior.

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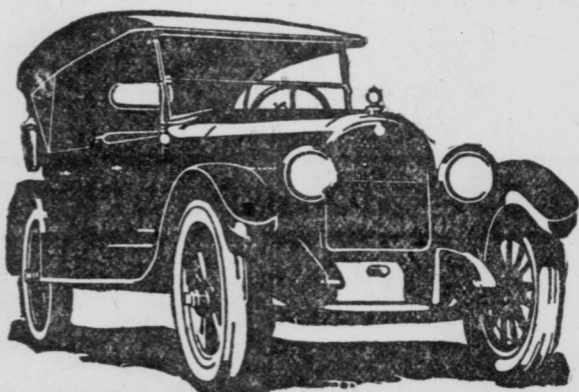
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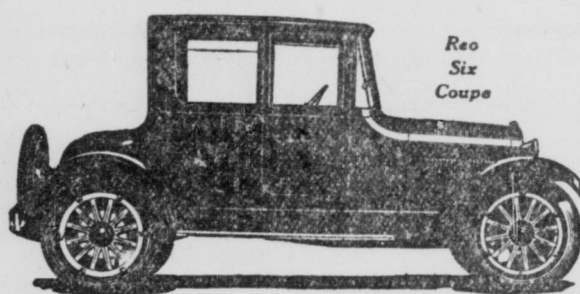
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