

FIRE DESTROYS CAR

**LOUIS CHEVROLET, DETROIT,
AND FAMILY ESCAPE IN-
JURY IN ACCIDENT.**

Escape from death by fire and a gasoline explosion was the good fortune of Louis Chevrolet, auto engineer, of Detroit, Michigan, his wife, Suzanna Chevrolet and her mother, Mrs. C. Treyoux, Monday afternoon while twelve miles south of the city, on road No. 31 when their coupe in which they were riding enroute to Detroit from Indianapolis, caught fire.

The gasoline tank had just been filled at the Triangle station at the Tipton cross roads and they had reached a point about a mile north when Mr. Chevrolet discovered an odor of something burning. He investigated to find that the exhaust fire had set fire to the floor boards of his auto. He drove as fast as possible to the first farm house on the east side of the road and felt certain that he could save the automobile from destruction if he could get as many as two buckets of water. He was able to get only one before the flames consumed the body of the car.

In the rear of the machine was a quantity of clothing in boxes and valises. These Mr. Chevrolet attempted to save as soon as his family had got out of the car and in so doing burned his fingers, the only injury any of the family received as a result of the experience.

Mrs. Chevrolet flagged down all cars approaching as the fear had been inspired that the gasoline tank might explode.

The baggage was loaded into a car offered for their use and they resumed the journey northward after a rest from excitement, leaving the burned car along the roadside.