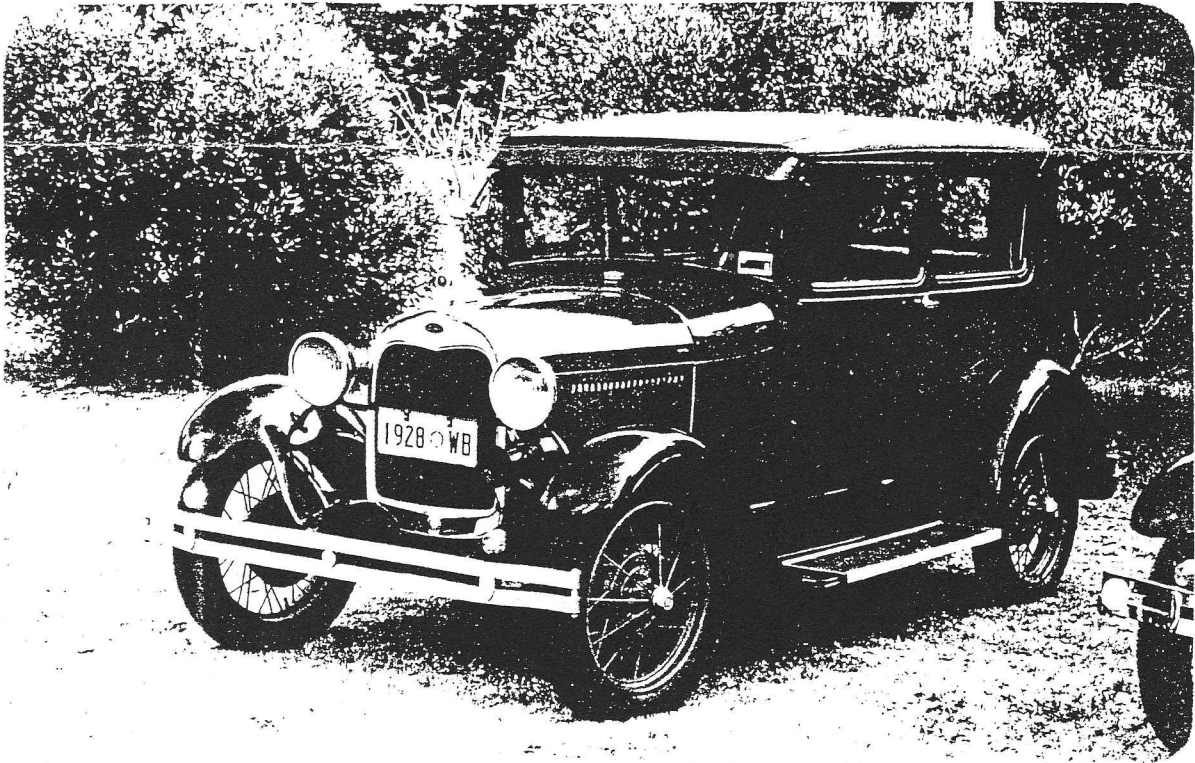


Western Model A News

Official Newsletter of the
MODEL A RESTORERS CLUB OF WESTERN AUSTRALIA, Inc

Year XXIII Number III

OCTOBER, 2002



1928 Tudor - belonging to Alan & June Smith

Beautifully restored in - Ford Heritage Red and Ford Black

Photograph taken by Michael Smith at the September run - courtesy of the Read family (thank you!)

Next Run / Meeting: Sunday, 27th October, 2002
Morning Tea will be provided at Richer Lodge Guildford at 9.30am

This Club is the WESTERN MODEL A-s Chapter of the Model A Ford Club of America, Inc.
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SEPT 27 to OCT 5, 2002 PERTH ROYAL SHOW
Denmark Agricultural College Ford Model A
On display in the Denmark Agricultural College Pavilion

SUNDAY, 27TH OCTOBER, 2002
Peter & Elaine Gilberthorpe organizing
Meet at Ritcher Lodge C.M.L.A
480 Guildford Rd, BAYSWATER at 9.30am
Morning tea will be provided by the Lodge
Trip will be up to Parkerville

SUNDAY, 3RD NOVEMBER, 2002
SHANNONS "BAY TO WHITEMAN" RUN 2002 (See Notebook for details)

22ND - 24TH NOVEMBER
WA Production of "My Fair Lady"
Group Bookings welcome - Marloo Theatre 9255 1212

SUNDAY, 24TH NOVEMBER, 2002
Mahony's organizing

SUNDAY 1ST DECEMBER 2002
ALL AUTO PARTS SWAP MART (See Notebook for details)

SUNDAY, 8TH DECEMBER, 2002
CHRISTMAS LUNCH
Place: Perth & Tattersalls Bowling Club, Plain St, Perth
Cost: \$25.00 per person Buy your own drinks
Organised by Dora Annear

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Minutes of Meeting

Held at the home of Barrie & Gwen Guest. Sunday 22nd September, 2002

Meeting opened 11.00am

The meeting was held before lunch due to the uncertainty of the weather and it was not known if there was any shelter available at Tumbulgum Farm.

We apologise if anyone missed out on the meeting due to the change of format.

Apologies: John Easterbrook, Toni & Ray Mahony, Lorraine Sartori, Elaine Gilberthorpe, Mavis & Jack Berkshire, Pat & John Lawrie, Steve Read, John Hall, A & E Jeffree. D & G Jeffree, Bob ? (sorry you will probably know who you are!).

Members Present: Peter Sartori, Gayle Easterbrook, David & Pat Bussard, Peter Gilberthorpe, Max & Dora Annear, Helen & John Moorehead, June & Alan Smith, Merv & Kath Ward, Don Sutherland, Louise & Melissa Read, Gwen & Barrie Guest, Shirley Hall, Ian Cocks, Lindsay Blacklock, Bob & Val Newton.

Visitors: Michael Smith – friend of Melissa, Mollie Jones – friend of Shirley.

Minutes of last meeting – moved John Moorehead – seconded Dora Annear – the minutes be accepted as printed in the magazine – carried. No business arising from minutes.

MODEL A RESTORERS CULB OF WESTERN AUSTRALIA, Inc.
Financial Report as at 30th August, 2002

Balance Brought Forward 31 st July 2002		2407.64
Plus August Income		
Christmas Lunch Deposits	475.00	
Bank West Interest	1.79	476.79
		2884.43
Less August Payments	NIL	
Less Unpresented July Cheques		
Chq No. 147 25.00		
Chq No. 149 198.00	223.00	223.00
		2661.43
BANK BALANCES		
Balance as per bank West Statement 30 th August 2002	2661.43	
ANZ Term Deposit		9822.05
Cash Held		
Petty Cash	35.55	
Plus Cash Received		
Conc Rego Plate	60.00	95.55
Less Payments		
Postage August Newsletter	42.10	
Paper August Newsletter	11.10	53.20
		42.35
		12525.40
Plus Subscriptions received August		
Cheques still to be banked		
Receipt No. 027 12.50		
Receipt No. 028 25.00		37.50
		12563.33
TOTAL		

Accepted as correct – moved Barrie Guest – seconded Max Annear.

Correspondence In: Darlington Theatre Players Inc. Marloo Newsletter August 2002. e-mail received from Toni Mahony to inform us about new members Stephen & Lorna Wigmore of Mahogany Creek. July/August 2002 Model A News Magazine – Model A RestorersClub (Aust.) Inc. September/October 2002 Ford Torque Magazine – Model A Ford Club of Victoria. Notice of All Auto Parts Swap Meet (see Marc your calendar for details).

Correspondence Out: Letter from the Editor to the Denmark Agricultural College, requesting an update and photos of the progress made on their Model A, as the information we had was dated November 1999. We would like to feature their Model A in the November magazine. Had a call from Angelo Calleja (who is a club member), he will arrange for the information to be sent. He also informed us that their Model A will be on display in the Denmark Agricultural College pavilion at the Royal Show. The progress on their Model A has been slow due to the availability of time and funds. Peter Gilberthorpe informed the meeting that it has just recently been made known that Shannons have some funds left over from the 2001 rally and are willing to make a grant to worthy contenders. It was suggested that the Agricultural College be informed. Secretary to do this.

2004 National Meet Report

Peter Sartori reported that progress was being made to locate a venue for the headquarters. Trinity College facilities proved to be too small. The Show- Grounds although they would be an ideal venue, the hire was far too expensive, they wanted about \$3,500.00 per day. Aquinas College has been approached – the diningroom will be too small, but the gym would accommodate 400-450 people and it also has an outside covered area. The only criteria that Aquinas stipulated was that there was at least one member of the club who is an old Aquinas boy or if any of the members currently had a son attending the school. Luckily, we have one member, Chris Butler who fits this criteria. They also said that they don't usually make bookings so far ahead, but they have been asked for a firm commitment.

Members voiced their concern about the distance to Aquinas from the accommodation. Gayle Easterbrook suggested that maybe we could approach Swan Transit to make some buses available, she also offered her time to drive one of the buses.

Bob Newton suggested that enquiries be made at the May Holman Centre in Guildford Road, also the Mirrabooka Centre and the Hampton High School on Morely Drive.

A report made by Peter Gilberthorpe regarding the Quiz Night, to be held at the Maylands Bowling Club, Clarkson Rd, Maylands. Wednesday 2nd July 2003. There is a kitchen available, but the ladies will be asked to bring a plate. Assistance will be required for prizes, hopefully Shannons will help. He also suggested books of 8 tickets (about half A 4 size) be made up and sent to other car clubs and to all members, maybe the stubs of these could be used to draw the door prizes.

General Business

The Marloo Theatre (who are club members), their theatre director will be directing the WA production of My Fair Lady, to be shown on 22-24 November, Peter Gilberthorpe has been told by John Trimmings that group bookings are available if anyone would like to get a group together. At a discussion with delegates of MAFCA at the Toowoomba National Meet, it was decided that Robert Turner would discuss with MAFCA the necessity of the clubs to fill in the application form for MACFA Chapter Register to have 5 of their members as members of MAFCA to receive a complimentary copy of the Restorers magazine. Pat Bussard to e-mail MAFCA to see if we still have to send in a registration form.

The club's books have been audited and we have an Auditor's Report.

A big vote of thanks was expressed to Louise Read for her valuable contribution over the past 10 years as club Editor. Gayle Easterbrook also expressed a thank you from John Easterbrook, for her help in getting out the last magazine. There was also a vote of well done expressed to John for his first magazine. (John was not present but Gayle will pass it on).

The Editor also asked, that if any member wishes to have something printed in the magazine could they please have the information to him by no later than the Friday after the meeting, as the magazine will be printed on the Saturday.

A thank you was also expressed to Ray & Toni Mahony for their running commentary in the magazine on the Toowoomba meet. Thank you was also expressed to Steve & Louise Read for their write up on Ferrets & Fancy Dress as seen in the last magazine.

Bits & Pieces: New members, Stephen & Loma Wigmore, [REDACTED] Mahogany Creek.

Telephone: [REDACTED] Have a 1928 unrestored ute. They are looking for help and information on how to restore it, (see Notebook for details). Peter & Elaine Gilberthorpe have a 1973 Ford Escort MK2 Van unlicensed for sale, (see Notebook for details). New Ford A spark plugs are also for sale from John Hall, (see Notebook for details).

Meeting Closed 11.40am

Notebook

BIRTHDAYS for OCTOBER: Birthstone: Opal : Flower : Calendula

Lionel Barendse, Irene Bell, Judith Butler, Angelo Calleja, Lorraine Cameron, Jeanette Hembrough, Philip Raccuia, Steve Read, Margaret Roy, Michael Stathy, Margaret Teale, Fran Timmings, Kath Ward, Phill Wemm, Sylvia Wemm, Jim Williams, Kerry McPharlin, William Yates.

Many Happy Returns!

NEW MEMBERS:

Welcome to new members Stephen & Lorna Wigmore. [REDACTED] Mahogany Creek. They have a 1928 Ute, unrestored. The vehicle is in parts, they started work on the chasis. They will need help and info on how to restore and where the best place is to obtain parts. They are both looking forward to participating in the club.

Welcome to new members: Ron & Tania Jansen of Greenbushes. They have a 1928 Ute, unrestored, but running. Mainly they need a bonnet (not a reproduction), and a speedo.

Apologies to new member William Yates, last months magazine called him William Richard, (sorry about that!!).

WANTED: Right hand door for 1928 Tudor : Contact Ivan Eatt on [REDACTED]

FOR SALE:

Two 1928 Utes: Both running, fair condition. Plus a shed full of parts – mostly Ford A. Owner will not sell separately – so please do not ask!! \$10,000.00 o.n.o.
Ring: Colin Styles [REDACTED] (Brookton) or Merv Ward [REDACTED] to view photos

1973 Ford Escort MK2 Van – unlicensed – Offers considered

Ring: Elaine or Peter [REDACTED]

New Model A Spark Plugs Champion W14 \$4.00 each : Contact: John Hall [REDACTED]

Sunday 3rd NOVEMBER : Shannons “Bay to Whiteman” Run 2002
Assemble from 8.30am at No. 4 Car Park (Entry 1) off Hackett Drive, University of WA

SUNDAY 1st DECEMBER: ALL AUTO PARTS SWAP MART
Cannington Showgrounds, Cnr Albany Highway & Station Street, Cannington
7.00am to Noon Seller 6.230am \$5.00 Buyers 7.00am \$2.00
(Buyers prior to 7.00am \$5.00)

All manner of car parts & cars for sale/swap Refreshments available Ample parking
Enquiries: [REDACTED] Hosted by the FX-FJ Holden Club of WA Inc.

A request from the Editor: Anything that you would like to go into the magazine must be sent, phoned, faxed or e-mailed by 8.00pm on the Friday following the meeting.

2004 National Meet

Enclosed with this issue is an Early Bird Registration Form for the National Meet in 2004. These have been distributed throughout the Eastern States and a similar one in USA.

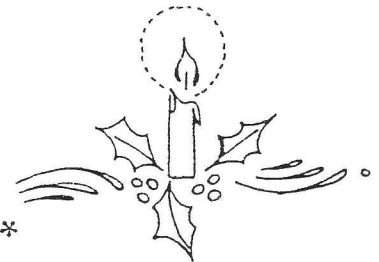
The response is very encouraging so far, with around 120 Eastern Staters and close to 50 from USA, notifying us of their intention to travel to the West.

But as this is our WA National Meet, we would like to keep our West Australian members up to date, especially if you are planning on participating in the meet. So we invite you to notify us of your intentions and our newsletter will be sent to you, with all the information, as planning progresses.

Toni Mahony - National Meet Secretary.



Christmas Lunch



*** A Friendly Reminder ***

To everyone, especially our country members. There are only 2 more club runs to go. Please send me your cheque or remember to pay me at the October or November run. Thank you!

Dora Annear

Phone: 9402 4669

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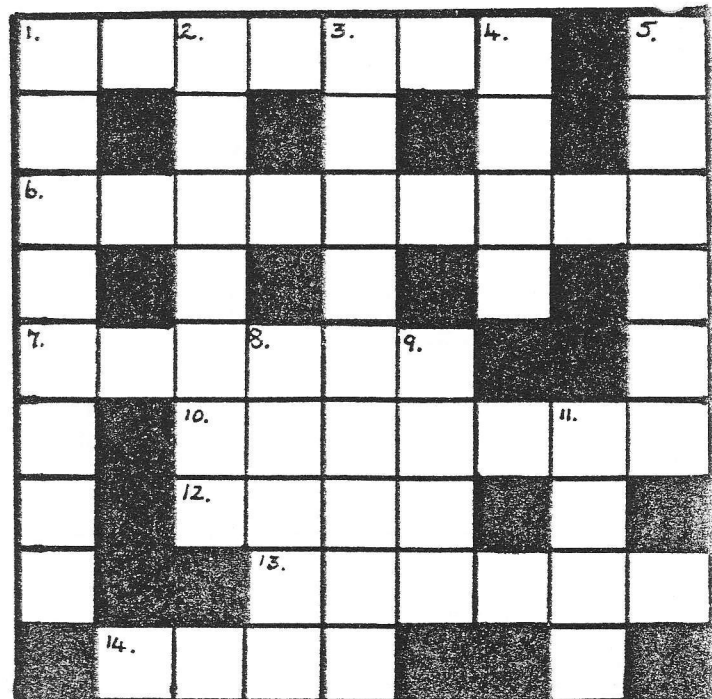
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- 14. Variegated

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- 5. Beige
- 8. Pendulous
- 9. Ennui
- 11. Garment

Answers to Crossword on second back page
Crossword compiled by: Gayle Easterbrook



BARRIE'S BAKERY AT BYFORD

22nd September, 2002

The weather forecast mid-week for the weekend was fine, then they changed their minds again, and some rain was expected, great for the dams, not so good for the Model A run. We had intended to arrive in style in a Model A or two, but that went by the wayside, so my Minister for Transport and her able assistant or should that be resistant kindly transported us via modern convenience to the appointed meeting place.

On arrival we were treated to the sight of Kath Ward alighting from the Ute under the protection of an umbrella. I enquired as to why she had it opened and was told she was cold, but it wasn't raining! So apparently umbrellas can be of multi use, keeping off the rain (or sun) and keeping oneself warm. Must try it some time.

Gwen was looking her twinkling best with stars in her eyes as she handed out route sheets of instructions on how to get from the Byford Memorial Park to the Guest ranch. The usual chat took place for about twenty minutes before Max blew his whistle to gather the mob together for our onward journey. Ian Cocks offered to park his modern 'truck' on the highway to allow the Model A-s to exit safely, but it wasn't necessary. I think he was disappointed.

A brief drive southward, and viewing of the donkey orchids, and we were at 14 Pollard Cross. Barrie had been up at the crack of dawn and was still in the bakehouse preparing the final touches to a lavish morning tea. Trooping into the recently cleaned shed we were met with the sight of a long trestle table set up with delicious chocolate muffins and scones with pots of strawberry jam and cream. The team helped themselves to tea and coffee and settled into some serious eating. I sat opposite Peter 1 and Peter 2, and I lost count of the number of muffins and scones they consumed. Peter thought he had eaten too much and was seeing spots before his eyes, when in fact it was only paint specs on his glasses. Lindsay didn't do too badly in the cake eating stakes either, I think everyone had been looking forward to being guests of the Guests!

Because of the inclement weather, the President and Secretary had conferred and decided that the meeting be held at Barrie & Gwen's and then those who wished could carry on to Tumbulgum Farm at their own leisure. Well that was the plan while there was food on the table. Morning tea over and we tidied up ready to go, change of tack, we were going to the farm after all for the meeting. Alan and June Smith appeared at the doorway, they had come the short drive from Merriwa, and they hadn't had morning tea. By this time, it looked like it was going to rain, so once again the decision was made to hold the meeting at the Guests. I think it was just a ploy to get people to walk backwards and forwards to their cars to digest all those goodies that had been eaten. I did see some of the club members hoarding provisions, cakes, biscuits, iced buns, jams, rhubarb, etc, for the long trip from Barrie's to Tumbulgum Farm, a distance of about six and a half kilometers.

While Alan & June enjoyed a late start of tea and cake, the meeting was brought to order by the President and the new Secretary. Gayle is such a natural at this job, and knows what number buses run on what routes, she is multi skilled! Getting the meeting over with quickly and with ease, it was time to mosey on down the road. It then decided to rain. A shower and the weather cleared again for the drive to Tumbulgum Farm on the South Western Highway.

Ian & Astrid had left Barrie's before the meeting and had parked their Roadster on the grassy slope at the front of the main building. With great amusement we watched as Model A-s followed one another around in circles trying to find the opening in the fence to join the other car. Eventually one errant driver risked the wrath of the owners and trundled across the grass, followed by the rest. It was a bit like watching sheep really. I know John in particular enjoyed the drive.

No sooner had we arrived when drivers and passengers rushed to the outside tables and chairs provided and opened picnic baskets, glad-wrapped packs of sandwiches, lunch boxes and thermos flasks and declared it was lunch time. Where do these people put all this food? They need to get new hobbies or they will need new clothes!

Our little group decided to walk around the farm and look at the animals, competing with small children literally throwing food at our unsuspecting four-footed friends. One cow ate her meal off the back of a sheep. I'm sure I heard her say; "Can you quit moving, I'm trying to eat." Apart from the sheep and cows, there were kangaroos, goats, emus, horses, deer and water buffalo, plus a handful of twenty-eight parrots and plenty of pink and grey galahs. The barbecue area was full with families enjoying the farm and one small boy gave us a demonstration on how to roll down the gravel bank whilst dressed in cream trousers and brown shirt and end up with shirt and pants the same rusty brown. Mum will be pleased.

After a drink and a chat to others listening to a joke told by Gayle, (is there no end to this woman's talents?), we decided to head for home.

The final number of Model A-s for the day was nine, moderns seven.

It was great to see the Dalbys out and about in their Roadster, Don Sutherland in his Tudor and Ian Cocks couldn't use the excuse of the starting time too early or too distant.

Thanks to Barrie & Gwen for the scrumptious morning tea and their hospitality.

Louise

Photograph taken by Michael Smith - courtesy of the Read Family



Ford

Farmboy

The Ford family arrived in Michigan from Ireland in 1832. They settled in Dearbornville (now Dearborn), between the Detroit River and what is now Chicago.

They bought their uncleared forest land from the government, cut their rings around the trees, and started hacking fields and paddocks out of the wilds.

Henry Ford's parents were William and Mary Litogot. Henry was born July 30th 1863 and when he was growing up wolves were still shot in the surrounding forests for bounty. The men came home with deer and wild turkey.

In the springtime, the women went out in the woods to tap the maple trees, gather the sap, and boil it down into syrup, since there was no white sugar. Tea was a luxury, coffee even more so, and an orange at Christmas time could be a once a year treat.

With its bare boards, oil lamps, and sparse decoration of needlework mottoes on the walls, the Ford home was rather threadbare - even with the best crockery put carefully on display. But in 1863, it represented quite a solid home for a farmer.

It has suited the popular imagination to see Henry Ford as a poor boy who, pulled himself up from nothing, but this is a truer picture of his father, William, who had crossed the Atlantic in steerage, a refugee from the Irish potato famine.

William worked as a carpenter for quite a time, traveling all over the Midwest to build the wagon sheds, stations, and other structures required by the expanding American railway system. With his savings he increased his land holdings - 120 acres in 1864, the year after Henry was born and the year in which William also completed the formalities of becoming a US citizen.

When he was seven Henry Ford went to school, a single room establishment in Dearborn, well over a mile's walk away from home. His best friend at school was a studious dark haired boy called Edsel Ruddiman.

Tales of Henry Ford's infant mechanical prowess, his devising of gadgets and tinkering with tools, have clustered around the accounts of his youth like miracles around the boy Jesus. Shown the inside of a watch for the first time at the age of seven, we are told, he became a passionate watch repairer, swapping marbles with other boys for clock wheels. His sister Margaret remembers. "When we had mechanical or wind-up toys given to us for Christmas, Henry always took them apart".

In 1876, when Henry Ford was not quite thirteen, his childhood was split in two. In the middle of March that year Mary Litogot Ford went into labour, but something went wrong. The baby was lost, and twelve days later on March 29, 1876, Mary Litogot Ford died. She was thirty seven years old.

Henry Ford never forgot the grief and shock of his mother's death. He said later, "she taught me that disagreeable jobs call for courage and patience and self discipline, and she taught me also "I don't want to", gets a fellow nowhere.....

My mother used to say, when I grumbled about it, "life will give you many unpleasant tasks....your duty will be hard and disagreeable and painful at times, but you must do it. You may have pity for others, but you must not pity yourself."

A few months after his mother's death, one day in July 1876, young Henry Ford was riding with his father in a horse drawn wagon towards Detroit, when he saw a steam engine coming towards him, propelled by its own power, it was the first vehicle not drawn by horses that Henry Ford had ever seen.

The steam 'engine' was a plain homemade adaptation of the upright boilers used by American farmers at this time, to power small engines. They looked rather like overgrown stoves, wood was shovelled in through a door at the bottom and burned to heat water in the boiler above. The resulting steam power drove a wheel at the side. Broad webbing belts ran around the drive wheel to carry power to threshing machines, corn huskers, or circular saws.

But this one had a chain that made a connection between the engine and the rear wheels of the wagon like frame on which the boiler was mounted. The chain enabled the steam engine to shift itself forward under its own power, and the engineer showed the boy how the chain could be disconnected on its arrival at its destination and then be replaced by a belt to drive stationary farm machines in a conventional fashion.

Henry Ford always regarded his encounter with the moving engine as his meeting on the road to Damascus.

Contrary to the popular belief and stories told by Henry Ford himself, that his father detested his mechanical pursuits and wanted to tie his son down to the land. Sister Margaret remembers, William Ford teaching his son to repair things around the home. William maintained a sophisticated workshop and this is where she saw her brother Henry serving his apprenticeship as a mechanic. She could recall him working there on a latch device which would open heavy gates without the need to get down off a wagon.

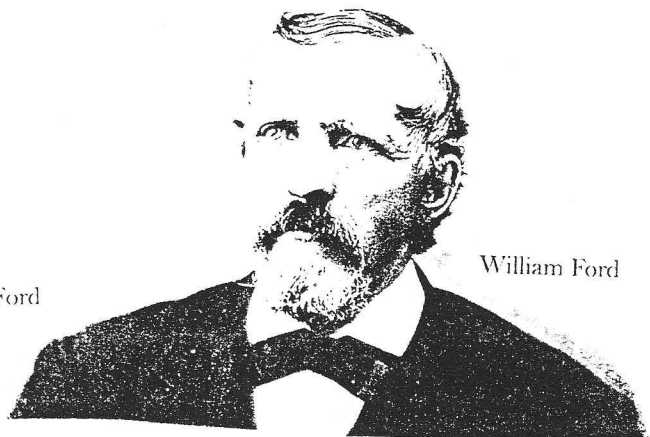
"Father was quick to recognize Henry's ability in making new things," she said. "We always knew that at some time Henry would go to Detroit."

One day, when the boy was 16, without saying a word to anyone he walked 9 miles to Detroit. Rented a room in which to sleep, and sought employment in a machine shop.

Precis extracted by Gayle Easterbrook – from the book "Ford" by Robert Lacey



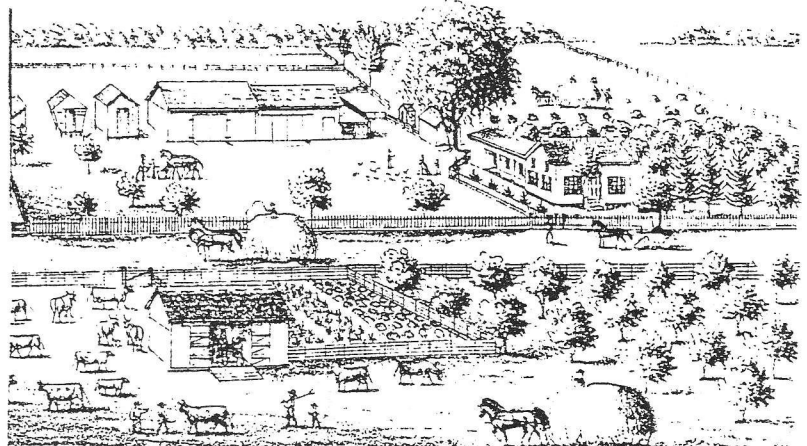
Mary Litogot Ford



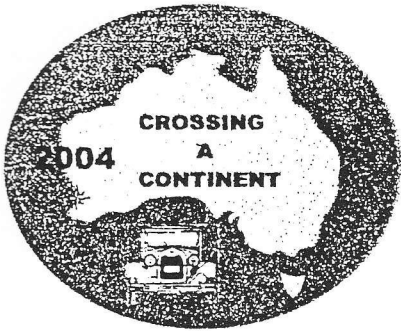
William Ford



Henry Ford
In 1880 aged seventeen



The Ford farm, Henry's
birthplace



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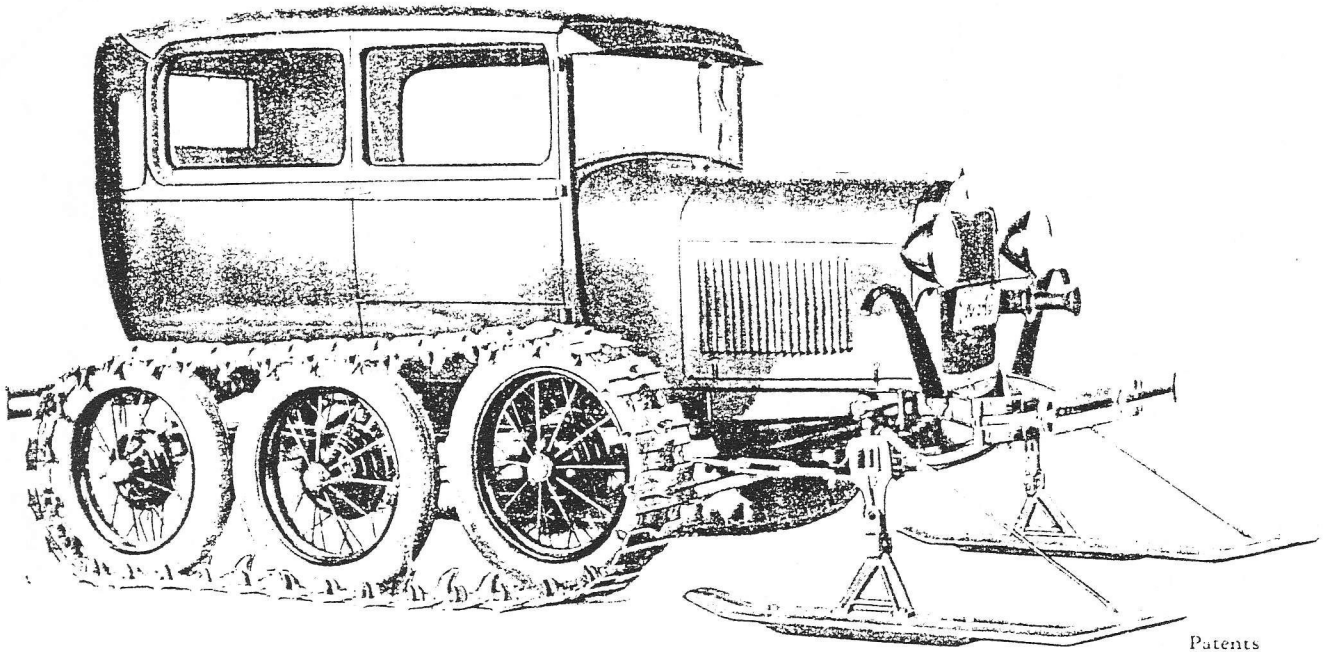
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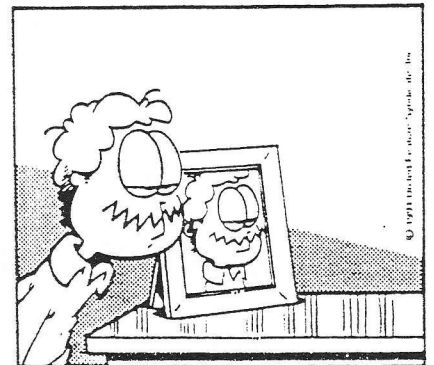
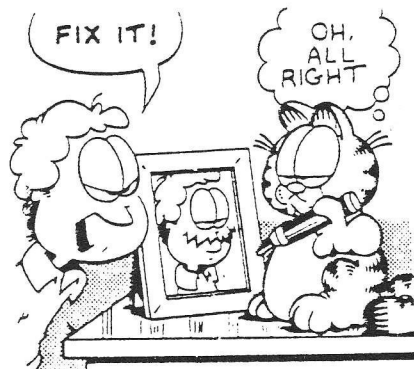
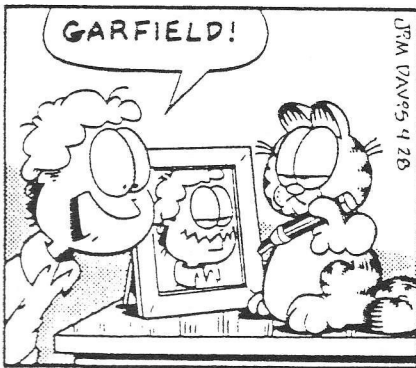
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Model A Ford Double Idler

is mounted on Adjustable Coil Springs, which is ideal on straight frames where space is not limited. Either front or center wheels can be adjusted separately for whatever load tension is desired. Either large or small wheels can be supplied on Model A Ford Chassis.

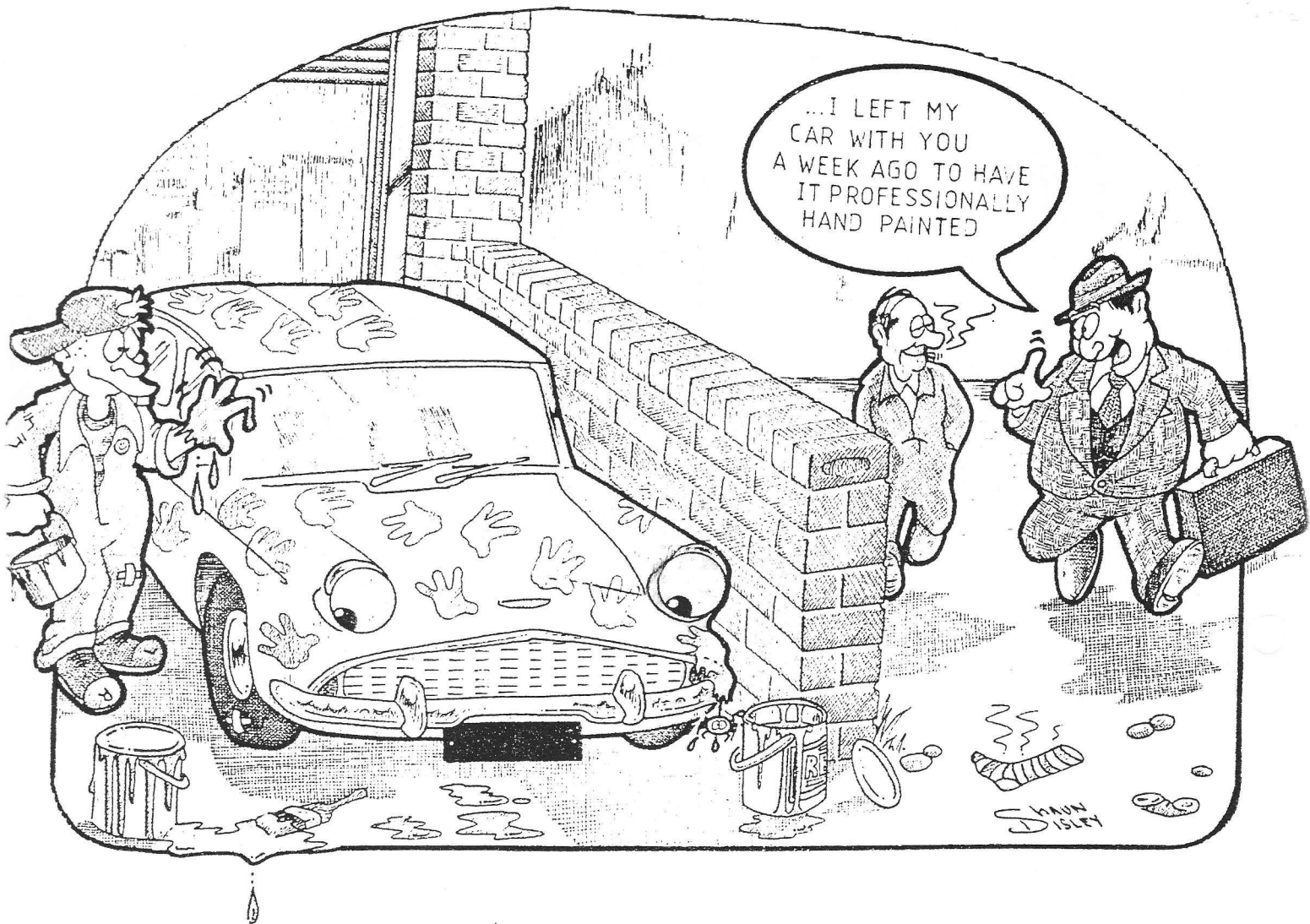
While token production employed later chassis, even six years after the Model A had been replaced by V-8 the Arps Corp, of New Hostein, Wisconsin, still concentrated principal production of its equipment on the then superseded Model A. Road clearance was greater, and the body more adaptable for modification on the rural orders requiring standard gauge tread-which dictated narrowing the track.

Garfield



Answers to Crossword

- Across: 1. Spectre 6. Vagabonds 7. Gullet 10. Foliose 12. Soar 13. Sneers 14. Pied
Down: 1. Savagely 2. Engulfs 3. Tableland 4. Eons 5. Bisque 8. Loose 9. Tire 11. Sari



Idiots

PORT MACQUARIE IDIOT

When a man attempted to siphon petrol from a motor home parked on a Port Macquarie street, he got much more than he bargained for. Police arrived at the scene to find a very ill man curled up next to a motor home, near some spilled sewage. A police spokesman said that the man admitted to trying to steal petrol and plugged his hose into the motor home's sewage tank by mistake. He had tried to siphon the petrol by first sucking it up the hose. The owner of the vehicle declined to press charges, saying that it was the best laugh he'd ever had.

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