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Antique auto news from Alaska's largest car club and most northern region of AACA



Holiday Gift Exchange, December 13th

100 years ago this month: Articles from the pages of the :

January 13, 1916:

AUTOS REPLACED BY OLD RELIABLE

Horses Replace Automobiles on Chitina End of Line.

When Manager Menzie, of the Northern Commercial company stage line, reached town last night, he gave out the statement that the mail which left Chitina last Sunday was the first mail from that end to leave the end of the railroad with horses in front of it. The deep snow has made the autos too uncertain, and the company imported 26 head of stock and replenished all the stations from Chitina to Paxson with full relays.

The autos will be used to haul feed on that end of the line, but the company felt that as long as the snow was so deep, the mail and passengers could be handled with greater despatch if horses were imported and employed all along the line, and accordingly the horses were brought in.

When the trail gets in shape to warrant the placing of the auto trucks on the line the horses will be taken off. But until then the "old reliables" will be used.

January 16, 1916:

NO MORE FREIGHT LEFT AT CHITINA

Everything consigned to Fairbanks in the express and freight line has left Chitina, according to a wire received by Manager Menzie, of the N. C. stage line from James Rockafellow, agent of the company at Chitina.

The last consignment of freight left there on Friday last, and everything that comes from Cordova can be handled easily on the stages from now on. The Christmas rush was handled well this year, and Mr. Rockafellow believes that there will be no trouble in handling the spring shipments which are soon due to start.

All of the stages are now using horses and the autos are used exclusively for hauling feed.

Fairbanks Daily Times

FAIRBANKS, ALASKA.

JANUARY 22, 1916.

January 20, 1916:

WILL START STAGE LINE FROM VALDEZ

Arthur Wilcox Is Bringing Nine Machines North for Service.

According to advice received in Fairbanks recently, Arthur Wilcox, who is well known around Valdez, and who formerly mined on Mineral creek in that district, is on his way North with nine autos. He is coming to arrange for a supply of fuel to be taken out along the trail and cached so that the first machine on his Valdez-Fairbanks line will get through without difficulty.

Last fall, before he left for the States, Mr. Wilcox purchased the tax title to the lots in Valdez of the Young Men's Christian association, and he announced at that time that he would use the concrete foundations for a garage.

Rumors on the coast indicate that there are many drivers who will bring their cars North next season, in the hopes of picking up some money by carrying passengers between the coast and Fairbanks.

January 22, 1916:

AUTO TRUCK RUNS WITHOUT TROUBLE

Fairbanks Creek Reports That Jeffery Quad Hauls Wood Daily.

Eagan & Griffin are smiling up their sleeves now. The big auto truck which they own is running every day in spite of the cold weather and the loads are just as big as they ever were. While all the teamsters are forced to keep their stock in the barn, the Jeffery Quad is moving along up the roads, bringing back a capacity load of wood at every trip and never a bit of trouble is noticed. The driver is so housed in that the heat from the engine keeps him warm, and the machine goes along at a good clip.

The thermometer at Fairbanks creek at 10 o'clock last evening registered 40° below and there was not a breath of wind. There is no travel to and from the creeks, the auto truck being the one thing that moves without suffering from the cold.

First-Class Accommodation

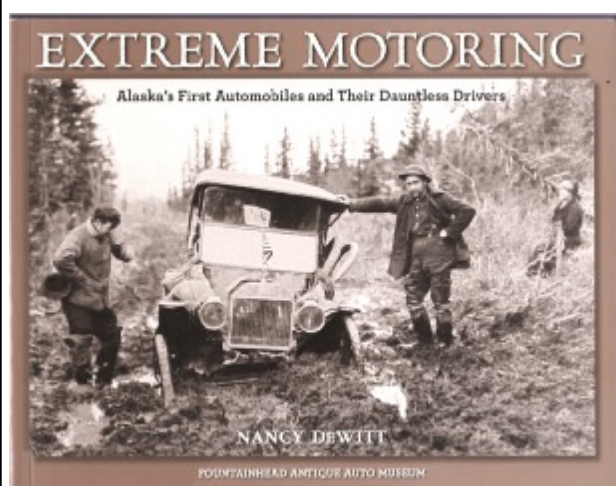
Nordale Hotel

FRED CARTER'S AUTO
Leaves Nordale Hotel at
10:30 a. m. Daily for
GOLDEN

FRED JOHNSTON
Leaves 5 p. m. Daily
FOR ESTER.

SPEEDY AUTO RACER HAS A CELEBRATION

LOS ANGELES, Jan. 29.—Barney Oldfield, the celebrated auto racer, celebrated his 38th birthday in this city today. The feature of the occasion was the manner in which the birthday cake was decorated, lighted cigars being used instead of candles.



If you didn't receive member Nancy DeWitt's new book for Christmas, then you should head on over to the Fountainhead Museum one Sunday this January and buy one!

Nancy has authored several books, but this one is undoubtedly her largest, and most comprehensive work. The book ***Extreme Motoring – Alaska's First Automobiles and Their Dauntless Drivers*** is the same title and shares some material with the Museum exhibit that many of us have enjoyed, but tells a far richer and more complete story along with many wonderful pictures.

There are photos of the first cars in Skagway, Nome, Valdez, Anchorage and Fairbanks. There are more than 85 high quality pictures in this extensive and very well documented 127 page history of the automobile in Alaska. The research took Nancy six years of work pouring through newspaper clippings, old magazines and loaned photographs, as well as books and other published sources.

For car-nuts, most of the book is wonderfully organized – by make! It covers vehicles from steam and gasoline automobiles, trucks, snow machines, motorcycles and buses to street cars. There is lots of well documented history of people, places and vehicles.

Since I have started doing some local history on automobile stories from 100 years ago each month, it should be noted that Nancy's book reports that in 1916 there were 159 cars registered in Fairbanks, and there was an organized Fairbanks Automobile Club, and in that year Fairbanks also held its first automobile race.

If you own an old car in Alaska, this book belongs on your bookshelf – or better on your living room coffee table.

- Rick

GARAGE TOUR

JANUARY 16th—Jim & Tracy Brand's



John McCarthy announced that the January Garage Tour will be a return engagement to Jim and Tracy Brand's garage.

Tracy says ***'We will serve lunch, see the upgrades to the garage and then head out back to the other garage where Jim will put on a stainless steel and moulding dent repair and polishing clinic for those interested.'***

Date: Saturday January 16, 2016

Time: Noon – 3:00pm

Address: 1029 Bane Berry Ln

Farmers Loop to Skyline Drive

Up Skyline Drive .07 of a mile

When you see Lower Court on the right

Turn Left onto Bane Berry Ln (can't see the sign until you turn on the street)

Last house at the end of the street

Jim, Tracy and Amanda Brand

457-7147 home

590-8060 Tracy's cell

322-8908 Jim's cell

Hope to see you there! Tracy



January, 2016

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Newsletter submission deadline is always the 20th of the month. Send in your Member ads., events notices, and articles to vlnaacf@gmail.com					1	2
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
10	11 BOARD MTG—Sam's Sourdough	12	13	14 MEMBERSHIP MTG.—AK Buffet	15	16 GARAGE TOUR Jim & Tracy Brand's place
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
24 /31	25	26	27	28	29	30

Vernon L. Nash Antique Auto Club Region AACA

- **Monday, Jan 11th: Board Meeting,** 6:30pm at Sam's Sourdough. Dinner before.
- **Thursday, Jan 14th: Membership Meeting, AK Buffet.** Meeting at 7pm; dinner before.
- **Saturday, Jan 16th: GARAGE TOUR—** Jim & Tracy Brand, 1029 Bane Berry Ln.
- **Tuesday, Feb 16th: Annual Event Planning Meeting,** 7pm Fountainhead Museum. Members Welcome—reservations needed with Rochelle.

Antique Auto Mushers

- **Wednesday, Jan 13th: Regular Meeting,** Day Break Center

National AACA Events

- **Feb. 11-13th: AACA Annual Meeting—**Philadelphia, Pennsylvania



Member Advertisements



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Chevy
Pick-Ups

\$500 ea.

Garry
Farnham
371-5588



Birthdays



- 1 - Bruce McIntosh
- 3 - Lisa Kingry
- 6 - Dave Rockney
- 8 - Patricia Cromer, Jr.
Sharon Whitledge
- 10 - David Hobson
- 14 - David Hughes
- 16 - Marnie Hazelaar
- 19 - Dan Gullickson
- 22 - Bernie Saupe
- 28 - Art Casserberg
- 29 - Mark Crook

Anniversaries



- 8 - Diana & Mike Lecorchick
- 12 - Lori & Tom Hinchliff
- 19 - Rhonda & John Morgan



Once again, a resounding applause goes out to Joyce & Paul Tekin for their hard work on our Annual Meeting. The pre-dinner mu-

sic was spectacular, the Arctic Strings are always a joy to listen to. I also enjoyed the music provided by our DJs- Dan and Sue Schaaf. Dan did a great job picking the most appropriate background music for our Chinese Auction. And the food provided by the Westmark staff met all of our expectations. I hope you all enjoyed yourself as much as I did!

As we start the new year, we always try to set some New Year's Resolutions. As noted in my "Headlights" last January, mine are not usually accomplished. But as I look back over the past year, I think we all did a great job in accomplishing my 2015 resolution. That resolution - to work with the Board and members to develop a process for gathering all of our documents into a central location - got off to a good start. The "Dropbox" program we

President's Headlights

- Wilma Vinton

decided to use as the central electronic location has forms for our annual Car Show, raffle fund-raising events, Golden Days Parade, Joint Meet and the ABDT. Pictures from the past year have been uploaded regularly, making putting the slide show together for the December Annual Meeting easy. This site also includes many of our corporate documents, including all of the minutes to our meetings and newsletters. In fact, we have all of the Newsletters back to 2006! However, there are still some events we need information on. If you were the PPR for one of the events last year and developed new forms, flyers or check lists, be sure to pass them on to me or one of the Board of Directors in electronic format. We will add them to what we have, making it easier for the next PPR of that event to know what was done before. And please, share your favorite VLNAACF pictures with us, via email or USB drive. We will put them in Dropbox for easy access by the Webmaster, Newsletter Editor, and to show next December.

I think my New Year's Resolution this year will be to strive to get our Policy and Procedure manual finished and out into the hands of those wonderful people who take on the task of PPR (Primary Person Responsible) for our many events. Between this document and our bank of forms, maybe we can see some new folks step up to the plate and offer to take on the task of running an event. Scott Grundy, our 2015 Secretary, has worked hard this past year to put it together, tracking down those that have already managed events for their input. I want to commend him on his hard work and will work closely with him these next few months to get it finished before our busy summer begins.

Remember, our Board of Director's meeting will change to the Monday before the Thursday Membership meeting, at Sam's Sourdough Cafe. Members are always welcome to join us. The Board has its work cut out for it this year with By-Laws changes and the accompanying Articles of Incorporation changes, and the club's name change process, to name a few of the items to be tackled.

You all have a very safe New Year celebration.

Your Prez, Wilma

National News: From the publication "The Rumage Box", reprinted with permission



Somewhere Southeast of Laramie

By Myron Smith

VP Regions Development - Central Division

My favorite brand used to use the slogan "See the USA in a". I am most fond of the American West and I like advertising slogans. Thus the 1923 Jordan ad "Somewhere West of Laramie" has struck a cord with me since I was a child. Or, maybe I'm still a victim of slick advertisers. Phil Roberts of the University of Wyoming history department states that image advertising

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When I was a junior at the University of Oregon, my Dad had a 1965 Buick Electra 225 courtesy delivered to Seattle in November of 1964 and I picked it up there and had it at college for a month before driving the car home in December of 1964 during Christmas break. A great car to have at college for a month. The photo was taken in Eugene in December before we headed to Alaska. Steve Winfree and Jill Baggen rode up with me. We had a power window go out in the down position in Dawson Creek on a Saturday afternoon and the Buick dealer there was able to replace the window motor on warranty and get us on our way quickly.

We did not put any window down again after that. We hit -72 F in Watson Lake and in Tok it went up to +25 F with a driving snow all the way in to Fairbanks. There were drifts on the highway that "thumped" under the car. It took Tip Top four hours with a hose spray to clear out the packed snow and ice once we arrived in Fairbanks so they could fully service the car. We barely avoided a moose around Birch Lake. That was my first and last winter drive on the Alcan.

- Jeff Cook

EDITOR'S LEFT (on) BLINKER



Your Editor is Lonely

Almost no one ever comments on the Newsletter—the only feedback I get is when solicited from our Board. I understand, and am not hurt. **But—** with little or no feedback on content, I am led to assume that a feature is not of continuing interest and will stop publishing it or items like it. No longer do I do “Cars on Stamps” because no one ever commented. After a number of months of doing “100 Years Ago” on page 2, not one person has yet commented, so I’ll try a different source for a while before I stop it, too. Outside of Ron Allen, Ross Beal and Jeff Cook who have contributed, no one outside the Board has ever commented on “When they were New”. No-one has sent me a “Snowbird” picture yet this winter, so that column must not have worked well. I have even tried recipes and poetry, but no one comments. Obviously, since I receive no unsolicited comments, I could go on with a long list of things tried (and apparently of little interest) over the three years I have been editing. I am not “fishing for compliments”; what I really need is your criticism, feedback, and opinions. All it takes is a quick return to the club email with a compliment, like, dislike, criticism, suggestion, submission, or correction—and it really does help as far as future content decisions. I’ll make the New Year’s Resolution to continue doing the editor thing again for this coming year, but please occasionally take a minute and send an email about what you do like or don’t like or want to see different in the newsletter!

- Rick



Minutes - DRAFT

VLNAACF December 13, 2015
Annual Membership Meeting
and Holiday Party at the West-
mark Hotel

The Annual Membership Meeting was called to order by President Wilma Vinton at 6:12 p.m. All board members were present except “Blue” Hinchsliff. 98 members attended the meeting and holiday banquet. A quorum was easily attained.

President Vinton was dressed in early 20th Century attire. She thanked Joyce and Paul Tekin for the excellent job they did organizing our holiday party, acknowledged the Arctic Strings group for entertaining us during the preceding happy hour, and recognized members Dan and Sue Schaaf for volunteering to provide recorded music during the remainder of the evening.

President Vinton announced:

1) Our membership dues are due by the end of the year and to please pay our AACA dues indirectly through the club;

2) Suggestions to possibly re-name our club are due to Malinda Harris by January 30, 2016;

3) A coordinator to oversee the repair and restoration of our 2016 raffle vehicle is vitally needed. Willy Vinton is overseeing the body and paint aspects, Dennis “Bear” Schmit is leading the ticket sales aspect and would be coming around handing out raffle tickets later during the event. Importantly, for accounting purposes to protect our tax exempt status, the raffle tickets need to be circled as sold to either a member or non-member;

4) The winners of our logo contest, Theresa Chase and Ron Allen, were provided with official club jackets (sporting our old club logo). As an aside, Wilma confessed she made up a “whole new breed of vehicle” when doing signage for the Golden Days Parade. She credited Theresa as owning a “Mercury Camaro” but quickly changed the sign to Chevrolet;

5) Five different organizations sent letters requesting our annual donation to a charity. The board selected the “Make-A-Wish Foundation to receive \$1,000.00 from our club. Their representative, Dorothy Lightie, provided us a



Secretary Scott takes notes at the Annual Meeting / Holiday Party for one last time in his term. Donna Wojciechowski sits in the background, ready to take over the pen.

heart- warming story about a past recipient, and emphasized our donation would be used for a local child.

6) Mark Crook, winner of last year’s Most Improved Vehicle Award, was presented with a permanent plaque. Mark then highlighted the criteria to select the recipient for 2016 and then presented the club’s traveling trophy to this year’s recipient, Willy and Wilma Vinton who constructed a 1929 Ford Speedster. Ironically, Willy Vinton constructed the elaborate traveling trophy years ago;

7) The board decided to continue holding our monthly membership meetings for January through April at the Alaska Buffet Restaurant unless there were any serious objections. Wilma indicated that special rates of \$10.95 for the buffet, and soup and salad for \$7.95 will apply, and the restaurant’s separate meeting room is quiet and excellent. There were no objections.

Wilma then graciously recognized her 2015 board members individually. She stated she came into the presidency with no experience on the board. (Blame Willy, our By-Laws prohibit nepotism.) She thanked the board members for all their assistance keeping her on track. She then introduced her 2016 board members. Rochelle Larson was

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- The following week you can begin paving hell with them as usual.

recognized for all the assistance she provides to the club as chair of the membership and events committees and more. She then recognized Rick Larrick as our superb editor and as a recipient of the Newsletter Master Editor Award for several years from our parent organization the AACA. Theresa Chase was recognized for being our Sargent of Arms. Plus all the PPR's ("Primary Persons Responsible" - a Past president Rick Larrick legacy) were recognized without specific attention as "those who make it happen."

Wilma then announced an "OOPS" regarding the sheet cakes purchased by the club for our dessert. Incredibly someone at the vendor placed the icing over the protective sheeting keeping the cake moist. PPR Joyce Tekin vowed to make it right!

Our President then outlined the rules for our Chinese Gift Exchange and introduced our Elves – husband Willy Vinton and partner in crime Jerry Krier. Wilma then called for anything for the good of the order – hearing none we adjourned at 6:33 p.m. after Wilma encouraged us to drive by the Larson's home at 956 7th Ave.

Respectfully submitted,
Scott Grundy
VLNAACF Secretary

Secretary Scott's "Swan Song"

First, I thank you all for this wonderful club. We all make it happen and have so much fun. I must be strange because I have really enjoyed being on

the board for the past several years and lately as your Secretary providing my cure for your insomnia. The Grundy's have turned into snowbirds; I thank Rick Larrick for covering for my absence for four months of meetings last year. I commend Donna Wojciechowski for stepping up to the plate as our new Secretary. I plan to help Donna and the club in the future. As they say, "Let's all pitch in to make the driving easy" or some such. Looking forward to 2016!

Scott

P.S. The Larson's Christmas lighting was

DUES

Dues are now **PAST DUE** for the 2016 year. They are payable by returning payment to the club post office box (preferred), dropping it off at Larson's Locksmith, or bringing payment to the next club meeting. Dues are to be paid by December 31 for the following year. —If not paid by March 1st, unpaid members are reviewed by the Board and dropped from newsletter distribution, National AACA and our VLNAACF rolls. Individual Dues are \$50.00

\$35.00 for National AACA (paid through our local club), and

\$15.00 for local dues

Joint Membership dues are \$65.00

\$35.00 for National AACA (paid through our local club), and

\$30.00 for local dues for you and your associate or spouse

Letters from Outside

The following was received from the Editor of the Vanderbilt Cup Region on Long Island in New York City:

When I was in the Army I was stationed at Ft. Wainwright from '64 to '66. I headed up the weather team that supported the Arctic Test Center. We worked out of Hangar No. 1 which I understand is now on the Federal registry of historic sites. Did you know that Bob Hope once performed there on one of his troop entertainment tours, when it was Ladd AFB? My wife and I visited AK in '08 and I requested a nostalgic tour of Ft. Wainwright which the PA office was kind enough to conduct for us. Lots of fun and a lot of memories. Couldn't believe the expansion and modernization of Bassett Army Hospital.

When I was stationed at Fort Wainwright I had a '55 DeSoto Firedome 4-dr. sedan. It was my first car. I bought it after finishing college for 90 bucks in 1964 with about 60K mi. on it. I didn't have a driver's license at the time so I learned to drive on my own car with the help of a buddy of mine where I kept the car. I drove it from NYC to Ft Gordon GA and back when I entered the Army and then drove it from NYC to Seattle with no problem other than needing a wheel alignment in Moorehead MN. The Navy shipped it to Anchorage while I flew to FAI to report in, then when I got the call I flew to ANC and drove the car up to Wainwright. That was in the summer of '64 so I had time to get it prepared for winter (circulating water heater, an infrared bulb to shine on the battery, a horse blanket to cover the engine, 70% coolant mix, 50 psi in the bias-ply nylon cord tires, and lots of dri-gas). A motor pool Sgt did a valve job on the car for 40 bucks! I think the engine was a Hemi - it had dual points and twin rocker arms on each head. After the valve job the car zoomed like nobody's business! Never had a starting or running problem even tho the winter of '64-65 was the coldest in FAI in 30 years -- for 3 weeks in Jan. '65 the high temp of the day was 50 below... dead calm and the ice fog was miserable. Alas... in May '65 I was on Gaffney Rd, I think, when some kid in a P/U ran a stop sign; I T-boned him and did some major damage. The car was totaled and I ended up getting \$267.50 for it. Such is life!

Paul Jacobs
Huntington, NY



Theresa Chase and Ron Allen have just received their club jackets as the prize for their submissions for the club logo design, and President Wilma Vinton presents Theresa with the placard from the Golden Days parade that identified her car as a "Mercury Camaro".

My New Years Resolution is to break my New Year's Resolutions—that way I succeed at keeping one



Annual Meeting / Holiday Party at the Westmark, December 13th



The Arctic Strings Orchestra once again delighted the group by providing music during the social hour which happened before the banquet, meeting and gift exchange.



Paul Tekin confers with President Wilma as he opens the banquet and keeps us orderly by drawing table numbers to regulate the crush at the buffet table.



Mark Crook presents the traveling trophy for the Most Improved Vehicle Award to Willy and Wilma Vinton for the Model A Speedster that Willy completed late this summer. It was fitting, as the Most Improved Award was started when Willy was President in 2004 and the Traveling Trophy was made by Willy. Mark Crook was the Chairman of the Committee this year to select a winner, as Mark was the Award winner in 2014.

The 2015 Annual Meeting and Holiday Party took place at the Westmark Hotel on December 13th. The arrangements were made by Joyce and Paul Tekin who served as greeters and hosts for the event. The Annual Meeting is where we kick-off raffle ticket sales for the annual Classic Car Raffle, and Bear Schmit and Rochelle Larson passed out about 1/3 of the tickets for members to sell this year. Most other business was in the category of recognitions and awards.



Again this year, Elves for the gift exchange were Jerry Krier and Willy Vinton. Here they explain that Wilma's gift came from the "his or hers" table because the tool can operate either way....



Charity Gift

Dorothy Lightie tells the attendees at the Annual Meeting about the boy who wanted to meet Woody from Toy Story as an example of her philosophy that one must "Always plan for the future".

This year we had five charities that requested we consider their organization for our annual charitable donation of \$1,000.00. This made for a difficult choice. The winner by the majority of Board votes was Make-A-Wish. This organization wrote:

"Our organization's beginnings stem from the grass-roots work of a group of volunteers who helped a precious 7-year-old boy battling leukemia realize his wish to become a motorcycle cop. Inspired by experiencing the joy of this one child as he was sworn in as an official Arizona State Highway Patrol officer, the group began granting more wishes to critically ill children and eventually founded Make-A-Wish America in 1983."

In 1999 an Alaska "Make-A-Wish" office was established in Anchorage and since that time they have helped 396 Alaskan children battling life-threatening medical conditions to receive their single heart-felt wish. 40 of those have been from the Fairbanks area. There are 65 Alaskan volunteers in this organization, with 3 of their trustees living in Fairbanks.

The Board felt this was a good place to put our donation with the stipulation that it be used for a Fairbanks child. This was emphasized in our letter to Make-A-Wish when we notified them that they had been chosen, and they had no problem tagging the funds for a child from Fairbanks wish.

Again, this was a difficult choice, and we appreciate the time and effort taken by the other four worthy charities to submit a request. We encourage them to try again next year!

- Wilma & The Board

POETRY CORNER

HUNKA TIN

A clever parody on Kipling's famous poem "Gunga Din,"
reprinted from American Field Service Bulletin [WWI]

You may talk about your voitures*
When you're sitting round the quarters,
But when it comes to getting blesses* in-
Take a little tip from me,
Let those heavy motors be,
Pin you faith on Henry F.'s old Hunka Tin.
Give her essence* and de l'eau,*
Crank her up and let her go,
You back firin', spark-plug foul'in' Hunka Tin.

The paint is not so good,
And no doubt you'll find the hood
Will rattle like a boiler shop en route;
The cooler's sure to boil
And perhaps she's leakin' oil,
Then often times the horn declines to toot.
But when the night is black,
And there's blesses to take back,
And they hardly give you time to take a smoke;
It's mighty good to feel,
When you're sitting at the wheel,
She'll be running when the bigger cars are broke.

After all the wars are past,
And we're taken home at last,
To our reward of which the preacher sings;
When those ukulele sharps
Will be strumming golden harps,
And the aviators all have reg'lar wings.
When the Kaiser is in hell,
With the furnace drawing well,
Paying for his million different kinds of sin;
If they're running short of coal,
Show me how to reach the hole,
And I'll cast a few loads down with Hunka Tin.

Yes, Tin, Tin, Tin!
You exasperating puzzle, Hunka Tin!
I've abused you and I've flayed you
But by Henry Ford who made you,
You are better than a Packard, Hunka Tin!

* "Voitures" is the French word for automobiles; "blesses" were wounded soldiers; "essence" for gasoline; and "l'eau" for water.

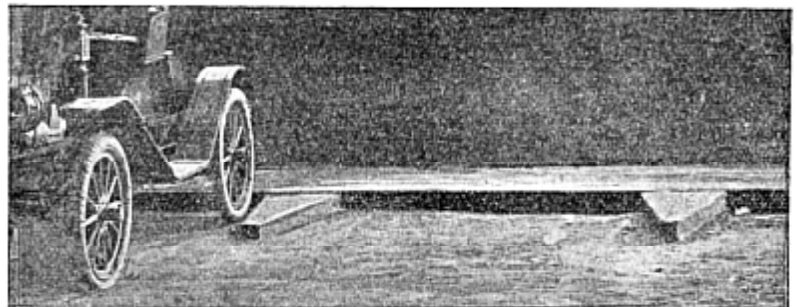


WW1 Model T Ambulance—see poem

Automobile

Repairshop Short Cuts

These short cuts and repairshop kinks are taken from the 1918 book of the above title as published by the U.P.C. Book Company



(39)
Wedge-shaped concrete piers in the Zacharias garage take up a little space, but eliminate so much damage that the cash balance is on the right side

Wedges in Garage Keep Cars Separated

(No. 39)

Little concrete piers, shaped like blunt wedges are used in the C. R. Zacharias Garage, Ashbury Park, N. J., to keep cars properly spaced when they are backed into their places. The arrangement is clearly shown in the accompanying illustration. If a driver is careless or lacking in skill he will bring up with his rear wheels on one of the wedges instead of spoiling a mudguard on his own or another car. The proprietor states that the capacity of the garage has been reduced by 2 cars by the wedges; it now holds 209 instead of 211. This however, is considerably more than offset by the saving due to the reduction of damage from collisions when backing in.—C.R. Zacharias Garage, Ashbury Park, N.J.

My 2015 resolution is for everyone else to gain the 20 pounds I refuse to lose.

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sells merchandise.

Ned Jordan is considered the first to use image advertising to sell his Jordan Playboy. Jordan wasn't just selling an image of wild and free. The ad was born while he was on a railroad trip to the west coast and saw a girl on a galloping horse acting like she was racing the train. When he asked where they were he was told "Somewhere West of Laramie" This became a magazine ad and it did sell cars.

Even now the West congers up images. You don't see a Dodge Pittsburg, but you do see a Dakota, a Laramie, and a Durango. OK there are a few exceptions as the Chrysler New Yorker and a Kaiser Manhattan do come to mind. But Chevrolet has used Cheyenne, Colorado, Silverado, Scottsdale, and Malibu. Chrysler has used Aspen and GMC the Yukon, Denali, and Sierra. There's even a Tacoma, Tucson, and Santa Fe. All of these conger up the images of the great American West.

Barb and I like going to different places for AACA Meets and enjoy the places that only the members of local Regions and Chapters who host those events know of. We have seen a lot of the USA (in our Chevrolet), thanks to AACA!

Below: John McDonald in late November with aging Chester and new pup, Willy



2016 Adventure Before Dementia Tour Announced!

By Scott Grundy

You don't want to miss this tour to Haines, Skagway and Whitehorse! The AK ferry schedule will not be published until January or later, but the tentative departure date from Fairbanks is Saturday, July 16 and return the following Saturday,



July 23. The scenery we'll encounter and the events involved in this tour are unsurpassed. This is similar to our first ABDT tour in 2009; it's likely the most popular tour we have had to date. On this tour you will have the option to attend follies, learn wonderful history, tour fantastic museums, ride on the Alaska ferry, go for a scenic train ride, tour a historic riverboat, visit local car collections and so much more. For more information, call Scott Grundy at 457-3526 or email him at sgrundy55ply@gmail.com.

Sunshine Club

Tracy says that it is good news this holiday season that she has nothing to report! She wishes everyone a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

- Tracy McLeod is the Sunshine Contact.
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NEXT MEETINGS

The membership meeting is the **Second Thursday: January 14th at AK Buffet**; Meeting starts at 7:00pm—dinner before

The Board Meeting is **MONDAY, Jan 11th** — at Sam's Sourdough . Meeting starts at 6:30pm, with dinner before. Board Meetings are open to members.



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