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The BAY AREA HORSELESS CARRIAGE CLUB (BAHCC) was founded in 1950 by and for automobile antiquarians dedicated to the preservation of pre-1916 motor vehicles. The BAHCC is one of numerous Regional Groups of the Horseless Carriage Club of America, (HCCA) which has 4500 members worldwide. HCCA membership is required of all active touring BAHCC members, but is not required for "Associate" members. New membership into our club is invited.

GENERAL MEETINGS: First Wednesday at 7:30pm, monthly, (except July & December - no meeting) at the Piedmont Community Hall, 711 Highland Avenue, Piedmont, California. April and November are Potluck dinners starting at 6:30pm. Guests are always welcome. Special presentations at meetings.

BOARD MEETINGS: Monthly, see Calendar for schedule. All members welcome.

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Coming Soon!

In - Person

Nuts & Bolts

Conditions are slowly improving and we'll hopefully resume our regular schedule of activities soon.

Contact Chairman Eric Larson & schedule your Nuts & Bolts session.

Let's get that old car running? or just hang out and eat donuts. . .



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On the Cover; HARPER'S WEEKLY© May 4, 1912
Artist; John A Coughlin (1885 - 1943)

President's Message

May 2021

Another month, another tour. Many thanks to the McEachern Family for sharing their neighborhood with us and for putting together such an enjoyable tour. As it turns out, there is a lot of interesting history right here in Alameda.

The next tour on the docket is the Blackhawk Countryside Tour coming right up on May 2nd. This is a nice, backroads tour and picnic organized by Ed Harley and Whitney Haist. For those going to the Saturday swap meet in Tulare, you can get back in plenty of time to do the tour and make this a complete horseless carriage weekend.

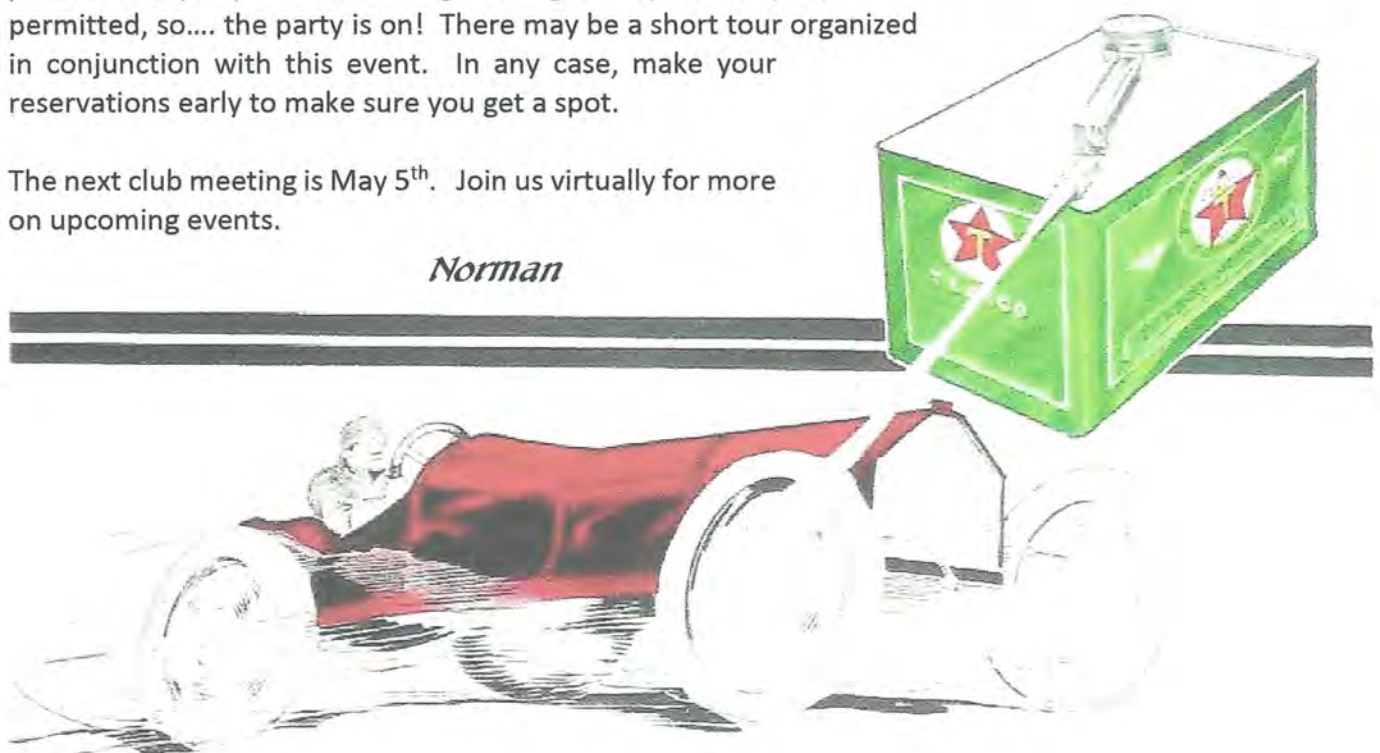
The big news of April was the special award that was bestowed upon our editor, Mark Cerruti, for his outstanding work on the Gaslight Gazette. I understand that this is the 4th year that Mark has received this award, and well deserved. I know we all appreciate the work that is put into publishing this quality document. Keep in mind that Mark is always looking for content. Think about submitting an article. Maybe a story about acquiring your car or something else of interest to the club. Over the years, I have heard more than a few interesting stories. Don't be shy about sharing.

Speaking of sharing, the annual History Park gathering of old cars is an excellent venue for us to roll out our brass era cars and stimulate interest in our club. This year's event is scheduled for Sunday, September 19th. For those of you who might not have attended Antique Autos in History Park, it is a great, low key gathering of old cars set among a collection of historic buildings in San Jose. It also attracts large crowds of people, interested in seeing these early automobiles. Let's plan to make a showing of Brass Era cars this year.

John Morrison joined the April Board meeting to bring us up to date on Piedmont. This has always been one of the premier events of the year to show off our cars at the July 4th parade and to gather afterwards at John and Carolee's place for an afternoon barbeque. The city fathers have decided not to hold the parade this year, but outdoor gatherings of up to 50 people are permitted, so.... the party is on! There may be a short tour organized in conjunction with this event. In any case, make your reservations early to make sure you get a spot.

The next club meeting is May 5th. Join us virtually for more on upcoming events.

Norman



Alameda Tour

By Dan McEachern

We were greeted with a great Bay Area morning: warm, sunny, and clear, perfect for touring. The 15 cars in attendance were greeted in the Penumbra parking lot with Peet's coffee and warm donuts from a local shop. The morning surprise was a bag of chocolate chip cookies to go with the tour directions.

The remarkable assortment of cars and people included- Dave Pava, down from Shingle Springs in his '10 T Touring was waiting in the Penumbra parking lot when the McEacherns arrived in three Model Ts. Tony Wollesen and Mark Cerruti in Tony's '32 Chevrolet Sedan, Bill Cassiday in his '14 T Touring with Charles Ebers as passenger, Bill Austen in his '15 T Roadster, Ed and Karen Archer in their '15 T Speedster, Paul Chapot in his '12 Overland, Whitney Haist rode with Dave Pava, Jim and Leslie Lukash and their daughter Olivia? in their '13 T Touring, who drove across the Dumbarton Bridge from Palo Alto, Warren Martin and family in his '19 Franklin, Gary Mills and his nephew in Gary's '07 Cadillac, Vince O'Brien in his '10 T touring, Norman and Adria Schwartz and their daughters Allison and Julia in their '14 REO Touring and George Teebay & Ann Beals in an '18 Pierce Arrow. Jim and Margie Pappakostas joined us in their modern car.

We began our journey along the Harbor Bay waterfront with a clear view across the bay waters toward South San Francisco and our first glimpse at the peninsula skyline. We meandered along the many lagoons and homes on Harbor Bay, around the golf course and over the Bay Farm Island Bridge onto Alameda's main island. (Crossing the bridge presented us with our most difficult climb of the day, reaching and elevation of nearly 40 feet!)

Our route took us along Alameda's south shore and Crown Memorial Beach to the Regional Park where we again enjoyed

wonderful views of the bay and the SF peninsula and got to speak to some of the locals. After honking good-bye to the children, we pulled out, driving past the old sea wall that marked the line where the original island ends and the landfill starts. After a quick loop through Ballena Bay, we headed to the former Alameda Naval Air Station and Naval Air Rework Facility (decommissioned in 1997).

Arriving at the Naval Air Station we got an astonishing head-on view of the floating museum, the USS Hornet. Winding through the new breweries and new housing construction, our cars lined up on an old runway for a picture with the Hornet and the Ready Reserve Fleet as a backdrop. On our drive out of the base and back into town, we drove along the Oakland Estuary and the past Port of Oakland Container Terminal, lovingly known as "the Dinos" by local teens.

Our route through town wound through the oldest parts of Alameda, allowing for picturesque views of oak trees scattered among elegant, historic Victorian homes. The cars parked around Franklin Park for lunch, chatting, and a sweet treat from Alameda's own Tucker's Ice Cream. Most cars headed back to the trailers after lunch.

Those that continued on, stopped in front of the newly renovated Alameda High School, originally constructed in 1925. A quick jaunt down the street past the Alameda Theater (built in 1932 and restored in 2008) and around the "Spite House," a 10 ft wide, 54 ft long, house built when the city took part of the owners land to build a road. This led to the McEachern family's third car running out of gas. "We're just running around town" turned out to be a little bit farther than anticipated...oops. A big thank you to Norman for some gas out of the REO. We were then treated to a true Alameda experience, waiting for the Bay Farm Island Bridge to open and close for a passing sailboat.

Thank you to all the great people who turned out making it a fun Sunday for everyone.



Cars on Encinal Avenue

Photo by Dan McEachern



Lukash Family and their 1913 Ford

Photo by Jim Lukash



Bill Cassidy driving his 1914 Ford with passenger Charles Ebers

Photo by Norman Schwartz



Karen Archer and her 1915 Ford

Photo by Norman Schwartz



Schwartz Family in their 1914 REO

Photo by N. Schwartz



David Pava and his 1910 Ford

Photo by Norman Schwartz



Photo by Norman Schwartz



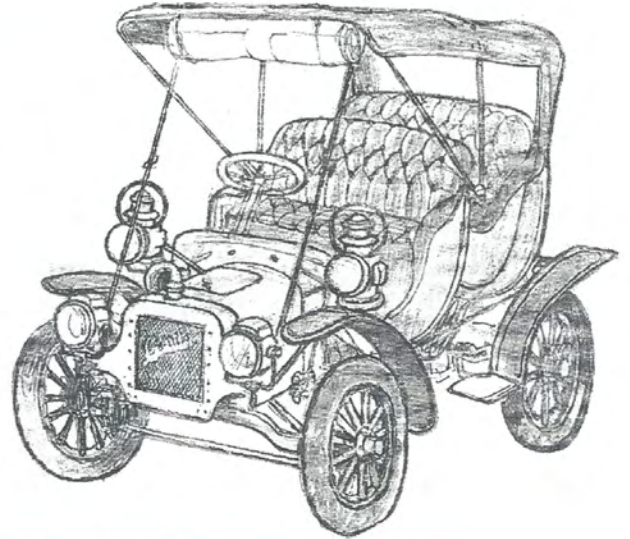
Paul Chapot driving his 1912 Overland with passenger Gary Mills
Photo by Julia Schwartz



Mary McEachern in her 1914 Ford Photo by Julia Schwartz



Warren Martin's 1919 Franklin Photo by Mark Cerruti



Gary Mills' 1907 Cadillac as drawn by Morgan Kordziel
Courtesy of Warren Martin



Cars lined up along old runway at former Naval Air Station Photo by Dan McEachern

7th Annual

Blackhawk Countryside Tour

Sunday, May 2, 2021

10:30 AM to 2:00 PM



2 Routes - 40 miles (4+ cylinders) or 20 miles (1 & 2 Cylinders)

Abundant Trailer Parking - Period Attire Optional

3 Events - Country Drive - Lunch at 1889 Schoolhouse - Drive through Old Danville

#1 You will be MESMERIZED by the vistas and by the quiet as we tour in the shadows of Mount Diablo.



#2 You will be FERTILIZED by a picnic lunch on the grounds of the Tassajara Grammar school, established in 1889.



#3 You will be ENERGIZED by driving your car through Old Town Danville and waving at other car enthusiasts.



This tour will observe all the in-place guidelines by Contra Costa County for the Covid19 Pandemic.

Rather than simply reading about it, why don't you
Sign-up Today -- Email or Call

Ed Harley: epharley@pacbell.net 925-997-7710

Whitney Haist: haist2@comcast.net 925-899-4912

Bring your own lunch

Park at the Danville Park n' ride at the intersection of highway 680 and Sycamore Valley Road in Danville.

Be ready to depart by 10:30 am



Thank You

Gary & Wendy Mills
Buck Kamphausen
Johnny & Christine Crowell
Walter & Ruth Sowell
Douglas & Carol Marin
Paul & Toni Chapot
Sheldon Donig
James Farber
Scott Henningsen
Steve Jackson
John & Carolee Morrison
Ron & Bea Reak
Gerald Robinson
Robert Rosen

Your Generous Donations raised \$1384 for the Club!

Steve's Polishing Corner

My brass polishing experience started not in the automotive realm, but instead from furniture my parents had in the house. While stationed in Vietnam in the very early '60s, my dad traveled to India where he purchased a brass table that was approximately 2 feet by 4 feet and a hanging dual brass light.

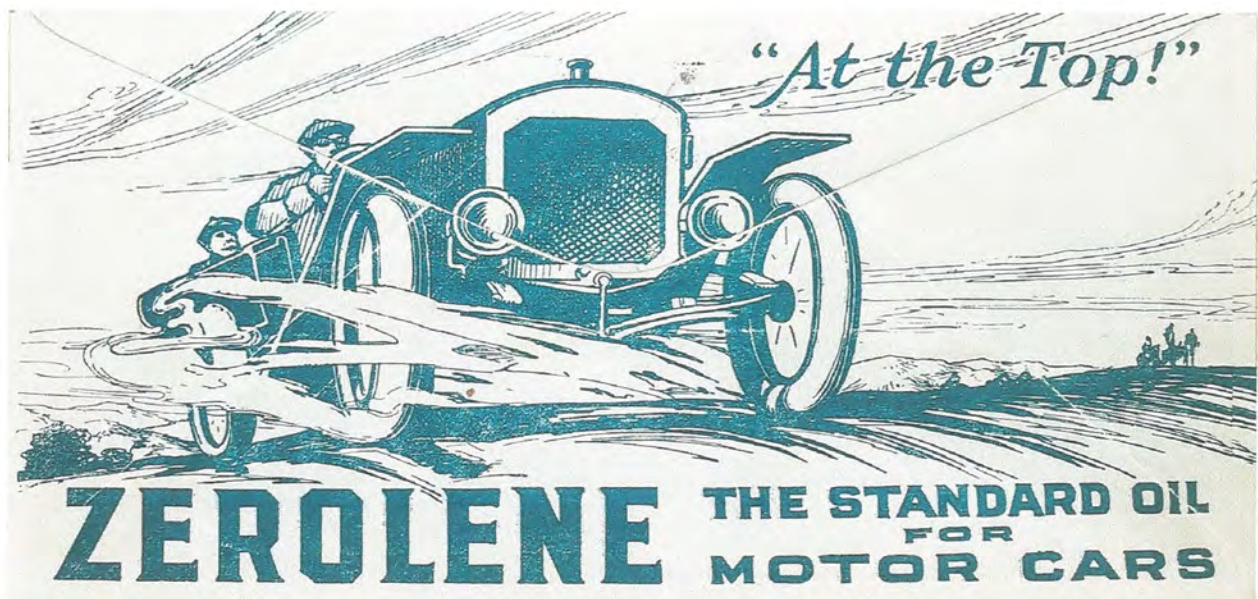
Brasso – Was the long held tool in our houses' proverbial toolbox for polishing both the large and small pieces of brass in the house. This brass cleaner and polisher required a lot of work and fresh "polishing" cloths to accomplish the final goal of bright and shiny brass.

Lysol Toilet Bowl Cleaner - Extra Thick Formula - Family friends who had a lot of brass knick-knacks and other brass from their travels while stationed in the Philippines. This method has the benefit of being a much faster and better cleaner. It does have drawbacks as it is more acidic. This method requires an application of the solution with a very short exposure time then a complete rinse with water to completely remove any residue. This worked great on a pair of floor candelabras but it is not a good solution for large parts and those still attached to the cars.

Alumi-brite is the newest option I have learned about to clean brass. Norman recommended it and it must be the ALUMI-BRITE and not the ALUMA-BRITE. I used this product on an early Ford tire pump to clean the heavily tarnished and soiled brass barrel. Yes, it does take some effort but it certainly does a great job returning the bright and shiny look to the brass barrel of the pump.



Steve Jackson






BAHCC Club Meetings, Events and Tours Calendar

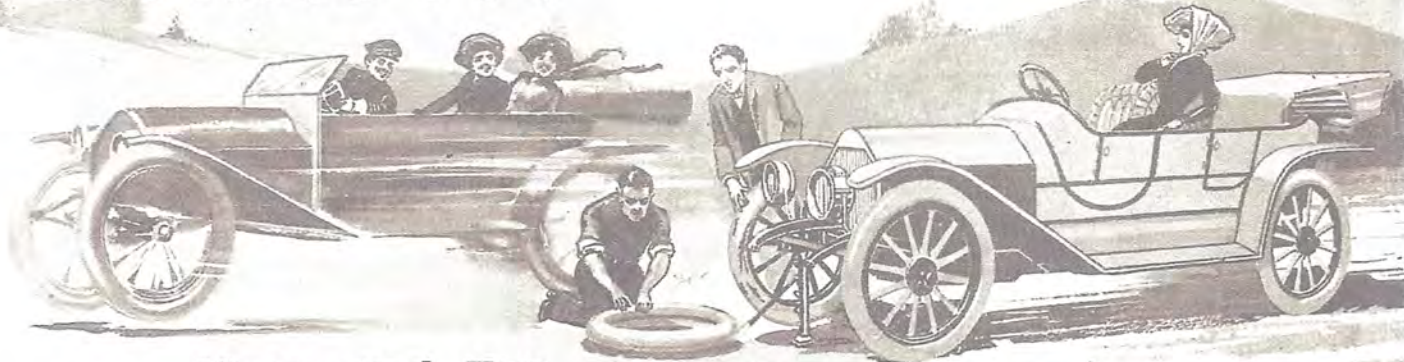
Meetings and Events Managed by: Gerald Robinson (510) 332-9588

Tony Wollesen (408) 264-2444

Month	Date/Day	Events	Speaker/ Special Event
May 2021	Wednesday May 5 th	General Meeting	NO Meeting at the Piedmont Community Center! Join the live zoom Meeting @ 7:30pm  Contact Gerald Robinson if you did not receive ZOOM Invitation, or if you should need any assistance. Gerald: 510-332-9588 gefrobinson@yahoo.com
	Sunday May 2 nd	TOUR	Blackhawk Tour - Danville - 10am <i>(see Flyer in this issue)</i>
	Saturday May 15 th	Movie Night	406 Ward Street - Martinez - 7:30pm <i>(see Announcement this issue)</i>
	Wednesday May 19 th	BoD Meeting	zoom Meeting - 7:30pm
Jun 2021	Wednesday June 2 nd	General Meeting	Join the live zoom Meeting @ 7:30pm
	Wednesday June 16 th	BoD Meeting	zoom Meeting - 7:30pm
Jul 2021	Sunday July 4 th	Tour & Picnic	Morrison Tour & Picnic - Piedmont <i>(details coming soon)</i> *** No Meetings in July ***
Aug 2021	Wednesday Aug 4 th	General Meeting	Join the live zoom Meeting @ 7:30pm
	Wednesday August 18 th	Bod Meeting	zoom Meeting - 7:30pm



Events . . .



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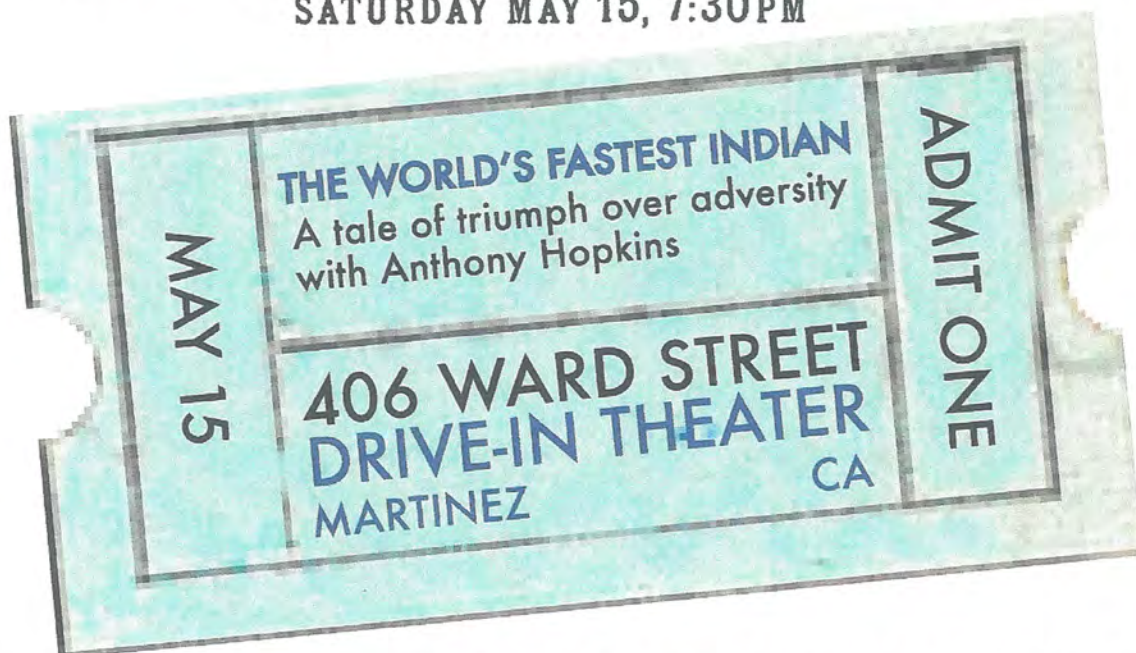
Non - BAHCC events that may be of interest

May 1	Bakersfield Swap Meet	Tulare, CA	info@farmshow.org 559-688-1030
May 2 - 4	Yosemite Campout	Oakhurst, CA	Steven Chase NewNorthSouth@gmail.com
May 2	Spring Turlock Swap Meet	Turlock, CA	springfallturlock.com
May 8	Alameda Swap Meet	Alameda, CA	Mark: 510-432-1532 stroh32@hotmail.com
June 6	Mother Lode Swap Meet	Auburn, CA	motherlodemodelt.com
June 6 - 11	Franklin Westrek	Bend, OR	franklinwestrek.weebly.com
July 15 - 20	Celebration of Brass @ The Gilmore	Hickory Corners, MI	museumofthehorse lesscarriage.org
July 16 - 18	Hillsborough Concours d'Elegance	Hillsborough, CA	hillsboroughconcours.org
August 4 - 8	Ryan Ramble	Sacramento, CA	Matt Ryan 916-747-7046
August 12	Pebble Beach Tour d'Elegance	Pebble Beach, CA	pebblebeachconcours.net
August 15	Pebble Beach Concours d'Elegance	Pebble Beach, CA	pebblebeachconcours.net
August 19 - 22	4th Annual Tri-County Tour	Salinas, CA	Jim Skillicom 831-455-5105
September 19	Antique Autos in History Park	San Jose, CA	Allan Greenberg allangreenb01@gmail.com
September 19 - 23	Nickel Era Tour	Santa Maria, CA	John Manifor Manifor@aol.com
September 24 & 25	Ironstone Concours	Murphys, CA	ironstoneconcours.org
October 3	Concours at Serrano	Eldorado Hills, CA	theconcours.net
October 6 - 9	Hershey Swap Meet	Hershey, PA	hershey.aaca.com

Contact the Editor to add a pre-war auto-related event to this Calendar



MARK YOUR CALENDAR FOR MOVIE NIGHT
SATURDAY MAY 15, 7:30PM



SEATING WILL BE LIMITED SO SIGN UP EARLY!
CALL NORMAN & ADRIA SCHWARTZ 925-932-3477

13th Annual **Even Reminds 2021**



Sacramento Delta Region / Mt. Diablo, CA – August 4-8, 2021

Progressive tour from Orangevale, CA down the Sacramento River seeing the Delta region, historic towns and sites, along with a train and trolley museum where we will have a ride possibly on an old Key System train which used to run on the lower deck of the Bay Bridge. One day we will drive up Mt. Diablo – great views and museum at the top, windy up and down, and a scenic one-lane road. There will be unavoidable traffic in some areas on the tour, but there will also be fantastic backroad country touring all on paved roads.

SAVE THE DATE

We have blocked rooms at a hotel but cannot reserve them until COVID has lifted. Places we plan to visit and restaurants are still not open. We are optimistic that most of us will be vaccinated and places will be open this summer, making an August tour possible. However, it will probably be a summer registration and quick turn-around to reserve hotel rooms. We will let everyone know as soon as we know!

46th ANNUAL MOTHER LODGE
SWAP MEET

Sunday

June 6, 2021

**Gold Country Fairgrounds
Auburn, Calif.**

All County & State COVID Social Distancing & Mask requirements will be followed.

Gates Open 5 AM – All Spaces 15x25 - \$25.00. Buyers \$5.00

Vintage & Classic Cars, Parts and Memorabilia.

Vendor setup after 4 pm, or when the field is finished Saturday, June 5.

All spaces first come basis. No Space reservations needed.

All vendors must vacate by 3 pm Sunday, June 6.

Alcoholic beverages, Firearms, Food sales &

Open fires are not allowed.

Proceeds will benefit Local Charities.

Food Booth on site provided by a local food vendor.

Contacts: Phil (530) 559-1440. Gary 916-599-0059.

More Info- Updates <http://www.motherlodemodelt.com>

Directions: I 80 Eastbound, exit Maple St., follow signs to fairgrounds.

I 80 Westbound, exit Nevada St., cross over freeway & follow signs.

Enter at 200 Fairgate Rd. from Auburn Folsom Rd., Spaces on the Ball Field.

Sponsored by



Green Nuts & Bolts....

We recently had our Green Brass Tour which I was unable to attend, but certainly had been thinking about. It's pretty obvious, but the Green Brass Tour has that name because after the brass on your car sits all winter without attention, the brass dulls and starts getting darker toward a brownish green color. This depends upon how long, and what conditions in which it sits. Getting the brass back to its original shiny luster can be a time consuming challenge. Grab your towel and some polish and go to work, but what polish should I use? Steve Jackson has submitted an article of his experience and here are my recent test results also.

It's been a while since I have done some side by side testing so I revisited my shelf of cleaners and polishes for a test. I did these tests on my '09 Buick that has not had brass attention for some time. I found that the common store bought polishes such as **Flitz** and **Semi Chrome** work good for maintenance on the slightly dull brass, but when it comes to heavy oxidized brass you need something more. A similar paste product that out performed the afore mentioned polishes is **MASS Fine Polishing Cream** which turned some of my heavy oxidized brass to shine with two applications. I learned of **Alumi-Brite** which takes off the heavily oxidized brass which you can then follow with one of the cream brass polishes to finish the shine. I then reached for two different products which I haven't used in a long time; **Master Formula Metal Gloss** which also has a

Sealer Gloss for more protection. I got this polish at a swap meet and has a liquid consistency, and actually works well with a couple of applications. My final polish was **RED BEAR** which is a powder that you apply to a damp cloth, then apply to brass. I first applied to lower front of radiator that wasn't green yet but still bad, and wow it came back with a shine quick. I thought that worked so well I would try it on one of the head lights which are really bad. It took some more effort and two applications but it worked really well and think this will be good on the items that have more nooks and crannies such as a headlight.

I had heard that some chemicals that are aggressive on brass can be damaging for the brass, so you need to use products that are designed for brass and not too caustic.

My conclusion after these tests are that you need to use the right product for the item and level of tarnish you are trying to restore. Today it appears to me that the **Red Bear Polish** would cut through the heavy green/brown tarnish, then finish with **MAAS** or the **Master Formula** products. I have the following pictures to help illustrate my results, note I only did isolated areas and didn't do an entire piece. Please contact me if you have any questions or comments.

Please send me or Mark any articles about your projects to share in this section.

Eric Larson



Flitz and Semi Chrome



MASS on right



AlumiBrite on left

Polished below



Master Formula Metal Gloss



Alumi Brite then Mass Polish



Red Bear



Red Bear





Rickenbacker
A CAR WORTHY OF ITS NAME

Authorized Flat Rate
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LIFE

January 4, 1912

Happy Birthday!

Cindy Erceg	May 1
Phylis Pottle	May 1
Anthony Drewitz	May 4
Eric Lundquist	May 5
Kelly Stone	May 10
Gary Larsen	May 12
Carol Marin	May 15
Sharon Barham	May 16
Baynard Brown	May 19
Whitney Haist	May 24
Steve Jackson	May 26
Patrica Ryan	May 29
Jackie Silvera	May 29
Dick Silvera	May 31

Happy Anniversary!

Bernard & Anne Metais	May 1st, 1964
John & Carol O'Neill	May 5th, 1986
Mark & Tanya Forbes	May 12th
Doug & Carol Marin	May 20th, 1972



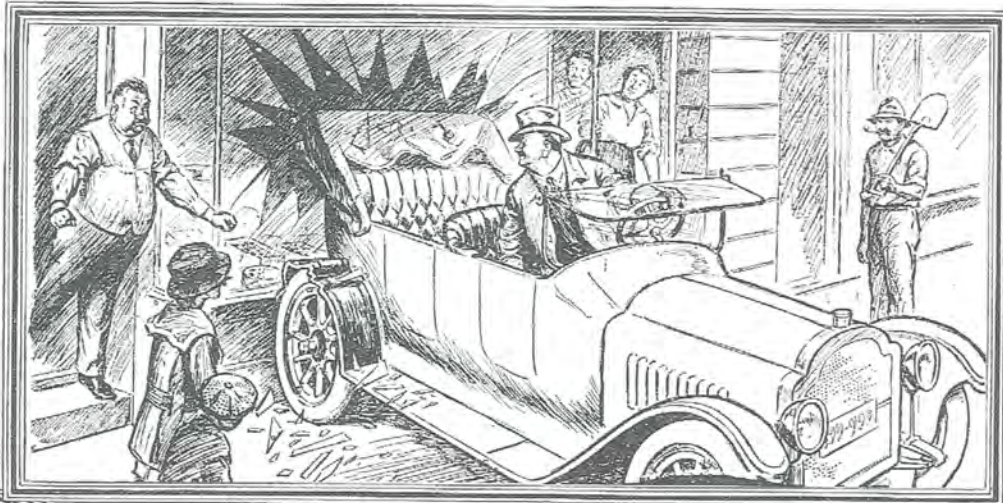
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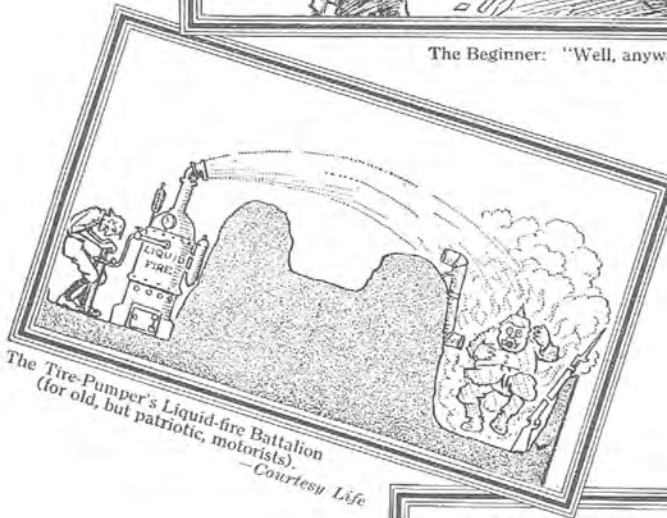
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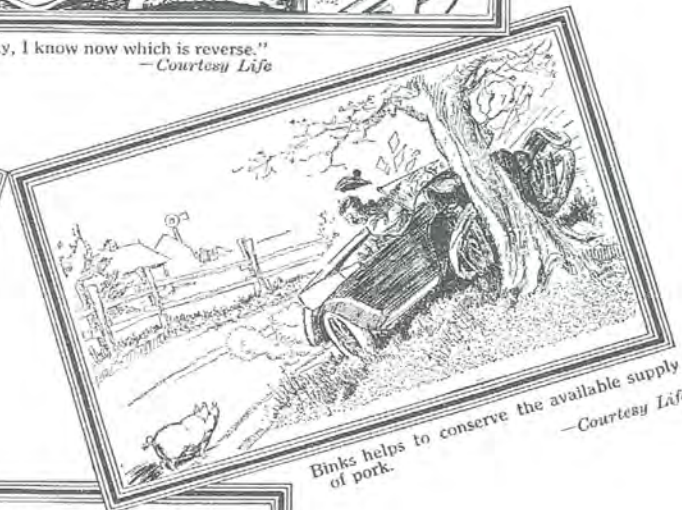
As the Cartoonist Sees Motor Life



The Beginner: "Well, anyway, I know now which is reverse."
—Courtesy Life



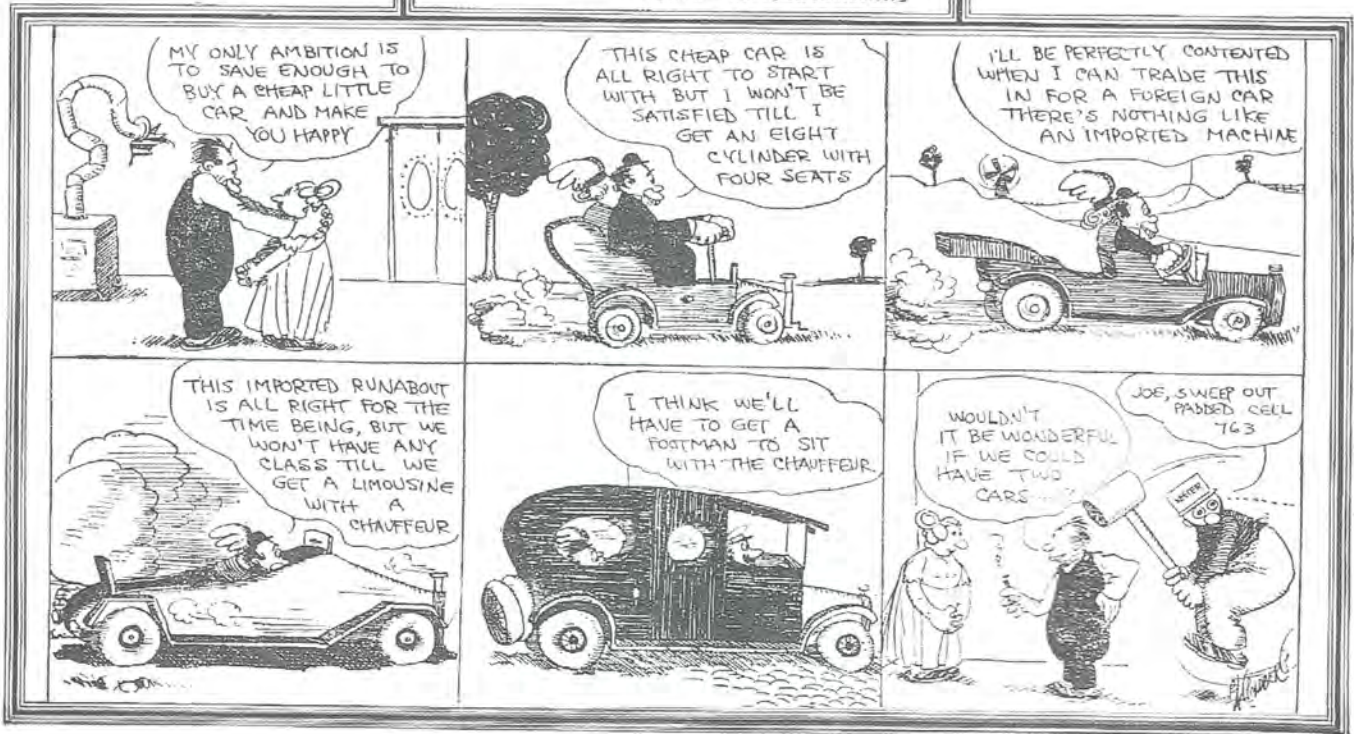
The Tire-Pumper's Liquid-fire Battalion
(for old, but patriotic, motorists).
—Courtesy Life



Binks helps to conserve the available supply
of pork.
—Courtesy Life

"JOE, SWEEP OUT PADDED
CELL 763."

—Copyright 1916 by R. L. Goldberg



HCCA NATIONAL NEWS



Re: **Sharon Gooding Retires!**; Swap Meet Action; Brass & Gas Cancellation; New Tour Directors ...
Issue: 2021-03-12 #04

- **HCCA Executive Secretary Retires!** – Sharon Gooding, long time HCCA Executive Secretary, will retire at the end of March 2021. Sharon has been Executive Secretary since 2009, after having been in the HCCA family since 1981, when she and her late husband Ken moved from Ohio to California.

A 40 year member of the Southern California Regional Group, Sharon has been very active in local and national events ever since.

Sharon was the first female President of the SoCal RG in 1994! She was also Editor of the "Coilbox Courier" during that time, for 10 years! She was elected to two terms on the HCCA National Board, and her first "Hershey" was actually around 1974. So, it's time to retire and pursue some other interests!

At Sharon's suggestion, and after due consideration, the HCCA Board unanimously approved Sharon's daughter, Lindsey Jackson, to take over the tiller as Executive Secretary.

Lindsey lives in California, and was born into the antique automobile hobby, and it's in her blood too. Her first outside activity as a newborn was riding in a parade in a 1908 Mercedes. She and her husband Scott, and their girls, enjoy the family's 1911 Pope-Hartford. She's been told she acquired her driving skills from her dad

Lindsey has become pals with many people in the Club, and she looks forward to getting to know everyone else too.

Lindsey (and former E.S. Sharon) will be at Hershey next Fall, to meet and greet members in person, and to take dues, just like the good old days. Be there, and have your check ready.

Please join me in sending Sharon a hearty Thank You from all of us at the HCCA, for her many years of dedication to the Club, and to wish her well in her retirement. Also, please give Lindsey a warm welcome, and help her to get a good start on her new responsibilities in this important role, as a vital part of keeping the HCCA on the road every day.

- **Chickasha is Back** – "After missing last year due to Covid19, nearly everyone will be there to welcome all attendees on Friday and Saturday

morning, March 19-20, 2021" Reports Steve Hammatt, (BB) and (ECG) List Meister.

- **Bakersfield Swap Meet in Tulare, CA** – (Yes, it is back on.) Now held at - The International Agri-Center, 4500 S. Laspina St., Tulare, CA 93274. April 30th - Vendor Move-In, 9am-9pm. May 1st - The Brass Era/ PreWar Swap Meet, 8am-5pm. For Details Contact - Steven Chase newnorthsouth@gmail.com;

- **Yosemite Valley Campout** – May 1 thru 4, 2021. Bakersfield Swap Meet, Tulare-Visalia morning tour, Ahwahnee Hotel (in a tent), Yosemite Valley, and more. For Details Contact - Steven Chase newnorthsouth@gmail.com;

- **Luray Swap Meet** – The 7th Annual Mid-Atlantic Pre-War Swap Meet will be held May 14-15, 2021. The Swap Meet is located at the Comer-Jones VFW Post 621, 218 Veteran Lane, in Luray, VA. For Information check their website at - <https://www.mapwsm.com/>

- **New England Brass & Gas - Cancelled** – "March 10, 2021 - After much deliberation, your New England Brass & Gas tour directors made the decision to cancel the 2021 June tour. While we see a dim light at the end of the tunnel and a start of some normalcy, there are too many unanswered questions at this point in time for us to safely proceed."

"Skip and Don are retiring this year as tour directors and welcome Karen Tomko and Bob Blanck as our new tour co-directors for the next New England Brass and Gas tour in 2023. We plan to make ourselves available to assist them with the planning and preparations.

Save the last week of June 2023 on your calendars! Sincerely (with heavy hearts), Skip and Don".

Doug Tomb / Douglas.tomb@verizon.net

Board Member – HCCA NN Editor ...

HCCA NATIONAL NEWS



Re: HCCA Members Meeting; Calling All REO Fans; HCCA Indexing; From Vic Groah;
Issue: 2021-04-01 #05

- **HCCA General Members Meeting** – On Sunday, April 11, 2021 the HCCA General Members Meeting will be held, via Zoom session. Your Board of Directors is bringing this important Club meeting to YOU, in your own home! This meeting is open to ALL members. The Meeting agenda: Introduction of new officers, review of recent board meetings, presentation of awards, and member Q&A. The Zoom Meeting will start at 4:00 PM PDT. (Please adjust for your time zone.) Do you know that the HCCA is the only antique car club that allows, and encourages, members to attend all the Board of Directors meetings? Just a reminder that the HCCA is YOUR club! For the Zoom link to attend the Members Meeting, contact Lindsey Jackson (Executive Secretary), at the HCCA Office office@hcca.org
- **REO's At The Gilmore** – From the Museum of The Horseless Carriage:
“The history of Baby REO and Mama REO is long and diverse, but the good news is that they were reunited in 2008 and put into the R. E. Olds Transportation Museum in Lansing, MI. Through the efforts of that museum’s new executive director, Scott Mrdeza, Baby REO is now running with its original gasoline power plant, and Scott has agreed to bring Mama and Baby REO to The Celebration of Brass @ the Gilmore Car Museum on July 16-17 for the museums kickoff festival.”
To see Mama and Baby REO in person, all you need to do is to be at the Gilmore on July 16-17, 2021. Make your reservations Now!
For a more complete history on Mama and Baby REO, here is a link:
<https://www.museumofthehorselesscarriage.org/press-release-reo>
- **HCCA National News** – In 2012, the president of HCCA wanted to find a way to improve communication with our members, Regional Groups, and Affiliated Registries. The goal was to be able to keep members informed on everything that HCCA was doing, when it happens. The rules for the communication are simple - Identifiable, Simple and Easy to read. The communication is sent out as needed to all

the contacts of local organizations, and to members that ask through the office to be added to the distribution list. All past issues are stored on the new HCCA web site. Request to be added to the list at: (office@hcca.org).

- **HCCA Gazette Indexing Project** – Do you ever read old issues of the HCCA Gazette? Have you ever referenced the HCCA Gazette Index to find a pertinent article or car tech tip? Unfortunately, the latest Gazette Index stops with the 1988 Gazette issues. This leaves a gold mine of HCCA and Brass Car reference material un-indexed, and unsearchable. It seems that no one has taken the time to index recent Gazette issues (to my knowledge). Simple solution: We just need to index the past 32 years of Gazettes. Hard Reality: Indexing is time consuming, challenging, and just plain a lot of work. Sounds just like a Brass Car restoration to me. Who is willing to help? Indexing experts needed the most, but all are welcome (and needed). Please contact the Index Project Coordinator at (douglas.tomb@verizon.net).
- **From Vic Groah, Past HCCA President** – “Many of us have made the pilgrimage to the Bakersfield pre war swap meet each spring. That venerable meet has succumbed to the Covid.” . . . “The Tulare County regional group under the leadership of William “Bill” Bennett is working to revive this major HCCA event in the west.” . . . “The Venue is the massive International Agri Center in Tulare, Ca. This is the site of the largest Ag show in the world, on some 600 Acres with ample facilities and a nice on site museum. The swap will be set up using a similar grid to the one used in Bakersfield, with slightly larger spaces at \$50 each. Since Tulare is the site of the huge International Ag show, motels are ample. There is a municipal airport in walking distance and a golf course next door.” Call 559-688-1030 to reserve your space for May 1, 2021.

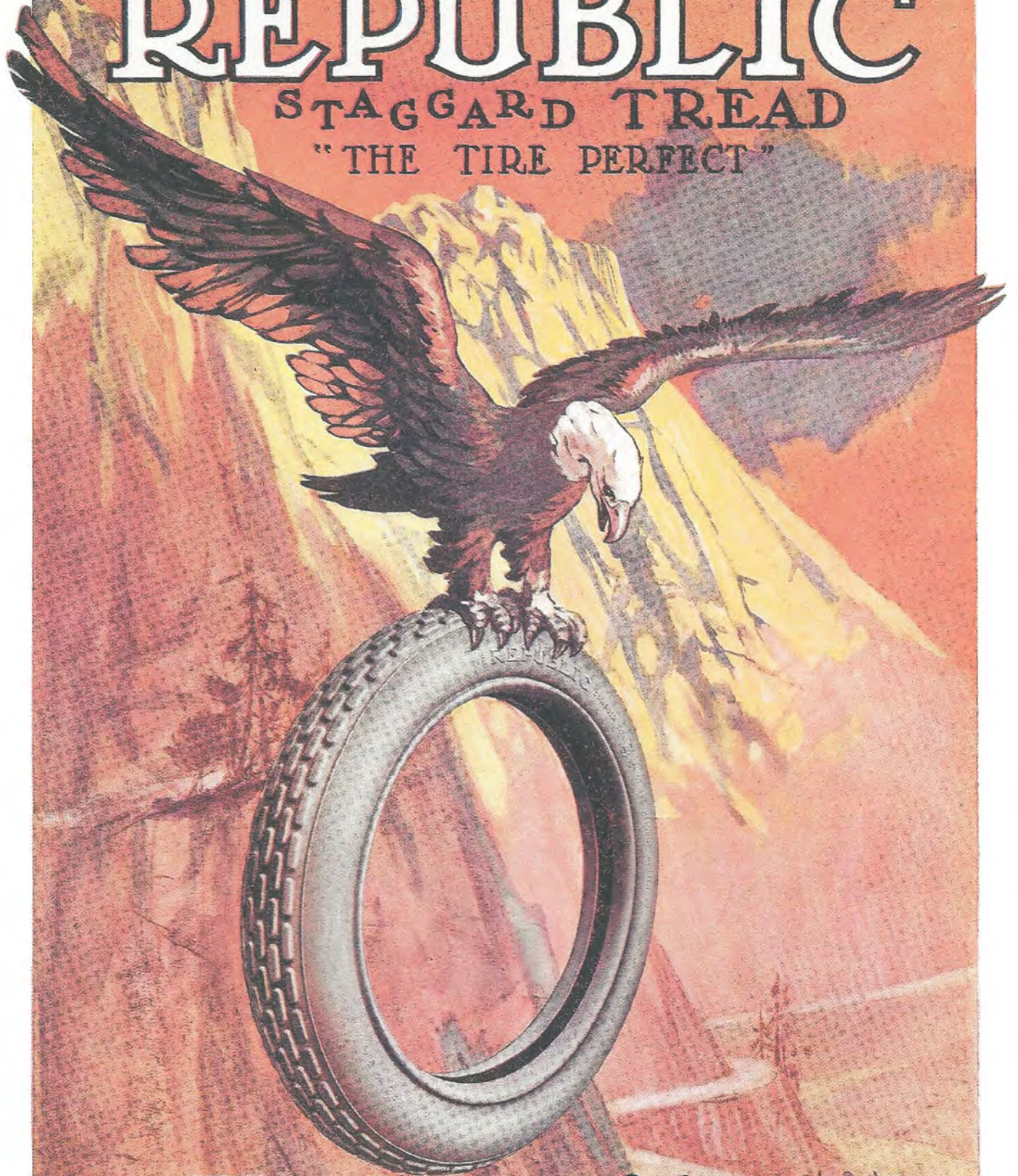
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