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Above-Wally Klager with his Ford Model A in 1958. At right, Wally with his same Model A in 2010.

Interesting Stories with Wally See pages 16 & 17



It is the intent of the Wisconsin Chapter to serve as a medium of exchange of ideas, information, and materials for admirers of the Model A Ford and Model A era fashions; to help those admirers become better acquainted; and to maintain among its members the spirit of good fellowship and sociality through sponsored activities including the use of the Model A and family participation.

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ADVANCED TIMING SCHEDULED EVENTS FOR 2010

August 10 Congregational Home Car show - Hosts Dave & Linda

Huenink See page 3

August 22 Family Reunion Club Picnic - Hosts The Board of Direc-

tors See Page 3

Sept. 11 Luther Manor Car Show - See page 6

Sept. 11 September 11th- SATURDAY Tour - Miller Park

Hosts Bob & Kitty Schaefer See page 5

Sept. 18 Richfield Threshree - Hosts Blazeks and Kaufmans

Sept. 19 **AEppel Treow Winery -** Hosts Dave & Linda Huenink **See**

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Sept. 26 International Model A Day - Hosts Dave & Donna Boucher

See page 7

Oct. 10 October Tour—Tour Wind Farm Hosts Gene & Betsy

Taurman See page 7

Oct. 31 Last Outdoor Tour - Hosts Chris & Kate Rozman

Nov. 6 Veterans Day Parade - Host Neil Besougloff

Nov. 21 Waukesha Christmas Parade - Hosts Dave & Linda

Huenink

Nov.14 First Indoor Meet - (In old cafeteria) Polish Poker -

Hostess Karen Sukkert

Dec. 12 Christmas Party - Host needed

Jan. 9 Custard Social - Hostess Cheryl Prochnow

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Jan 29 Annual Banquet – Hosts: Marty & Jolene Jannsen

2011

Feb. 2011 Era Trivia Contest - Hosts Mike & Sue Quam

March Indoor - Hosts: Lynn & Dennis Wagner

2011

<u>OUTDOOR MEET ADVISORY TEAM</u>

For help in running an event call: Jim Kummer 262-895-2897 Stan Larson 262-251-1655 Dave Boucher 262-662-2273

Rapids Memorial Plaques

The Wisconsin Rapids Model A Reunion Planning Committee is making a memorial plaque, listing the members of participating clubs who have passed away. The person must have attended the Wisconsin Rapids Reunion event to have their name on the plaque. This plaque will be on the grounds of the Model A reunion. We are looking for the names of those who have attended the Wisconsin Rapids Model A reunion and have passed away. We need their name, the club they belonged to and year of death. Only one club can be listed due to space restrictions, so for those who belonged to more then one club, one will have to be chosen. Please forward your information to Dave Huenink at oldfordcoupe@wi.rr.com.

Congregational Home Car Show - 3150 Lilly Road Brookfield August 10th, 3:00 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.

Food will be provided. Room for lots of Model A's



REGISTERED MEMBERS ONLY

Model "A" Club Family Reunion Picnic Sunday August 22nd 2010 Malone Park, New Berlin 11:00 A.M. - 4:00 P.M.

We'll have the usual menu of hot dogs, brats and burgers, sweet corn, all the yummy dishes to pass and beer and soda.

Help is needed in setting-up, cooking, games, and clean-up. Please let any board member know if you're available to help.

Games for kids and adults to participate in.

Baseball, volleyball, horseshoes and much more will be available.

Any questions call Dave or Donna Boucher at 262-662-2273





GUNDRUMS

3rd Annual Public Enemies Car Show

Saturday, August 28th, 2010 10:00am – 3:00pm Rain or Shine!



Bring your classic car or movie car to the Gundrum home and enjoy the interesting stories, great pictures and beautiful cars that were featured in the' Public Enemy' movie starring Johnny Depp. Enter to win trophies for the favorite movie car, classic car and best of show.

Join us for hamburgers, brats, beer and soda.

****Please mail registration form and check to Chris Gundrum - 5705 South Oak Road West Bend, WI 53095 ** Questions? Call: Chris @ (262)334-6182

Please send NO LATER THAN AUGUST 1ST.

Directions: Hwy 45 to West Bend to Paradise Drive East approx 1 ½ miles to Oak Road North 1/4 mi .Look for signs. Can't wait to see you there!

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 11, 10:15 a.m.

TOUR MILLER PARK

HOSTS: Bob & Kitty Schaefer

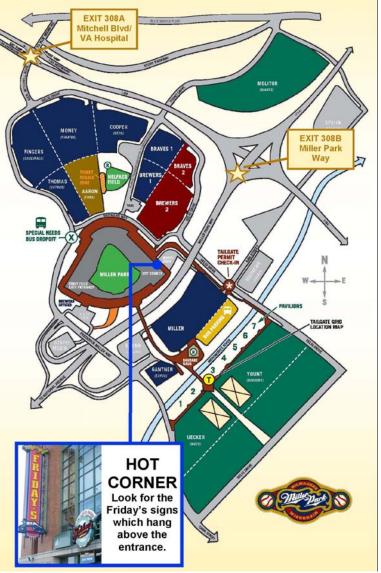
The tour will begin outside the Brewers Team Store by Majestic Athletic in the "Hot Corner" of Miller Park. Please enter through the Left Field gate near the verticle "Friday's" sign. Parking is available in the Brewers 2 lot. The Brewers 2 lot is accessible from I-94 east or westbound, via the Mitchell Boulevard/VA Center exit (turn south at bottom of off ramp, followed by a left turn under the gateway arch). There is no parking fee for tour groups during the tour.

Please try to arrive 10-15 minutes before your scheduled tour time. The tour is a walking tour and will last approximately 75 minutes. Please wear comfortable shoes and clothing appropriate for the weather on the day of your tour. We ask that you refrain from eating, drinking, smoking, and talking on cell phones while touring Miller Park. You are encouraged to bring personal cameras.

Following the tour of Miller Park we will motor to a place (as yet undecided) for a light lunch. (Tailgate style)







COME ONE, COME ALL TO SAMPLE SOME MIGHTY FINE WINE

September 19th the Huenink's and Morgan the wonder dog are planning a tour to the AEppel Treow Winery in Burlington, Wisconsin.

We will have a winery tour and an opportunity to sample some of their wares.

We will be able to sample 5 different kinds of hard cider, wine, champagne etc. for free. If you desire to try more than 5, the cost is \$5.00, which you will need to pay for. Should you find something particularly tasty, bottles are available for sale.

We will meet September 19th at McDonalds at Janesville Road and Racine Avenue in Muskego at 9:00 am for breakfast and coffee. We will leave promptly at 10:00 am. Maps will be provided.

Afterwards, we will head out for a bite to eat. Each member will be responsible for paying for their own food. Any questions please feel free to call Dave or Linda Huenink at 262-378-4216.

Luther Manor's 5th Annual

Classic Car Show & Ice Cream Social Saturday September 11th, 2010



(in designated F&E parking Lot)

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WORLD WIDE EVENT SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 26th INTERNATIONAL MODEL A DAY



Be part of this world wide event. We will meet at McDonalds on Hwy 164 and Hwy ES (National Ave.) at 9:00 a.m. We will leave at 9:30 a.m. Members in the Racine area we will meet you in Sharon, WI on Main St.

This year we will again be going to the Midway Village Museum in Rockford, IL to see the World War II re-enactment. Ask anybody that was there last year, it is really worth the trip. There will be over 800 people involved in the re-enactment plus a lot of era military vehicles. The main battle on Sunday is at 2:30 p.m. Admission is \$10.00 for adults and \$5.00 for children (3-17 years).

There is food and drink available on the grounds.

Any questions, call Dave or Donna Boucher at 262-662-2273



October 10, 2010 TOUR

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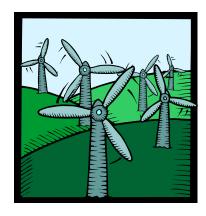
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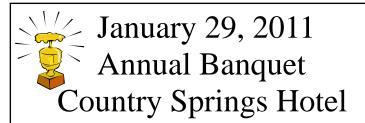
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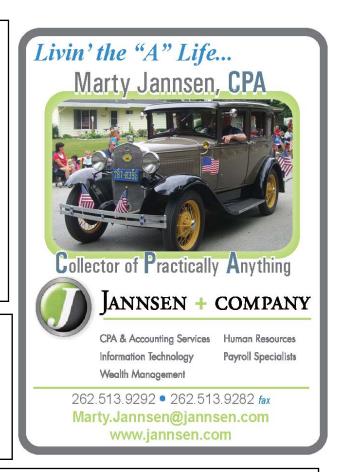
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Chris & Kate Rozman Chairmen Watch for details next month





Million Mile Challenge



Don't forget to record your Model A miles. Report them to Dave Boucher, Outdoor Chairman at the end of each month. You can contact Dave by phone at 262-662-2273 or E-mail to at <u>outdoor@model-a-wis.com</u>. The challenge runs until the end of September, 2010. So far we have had <u>only 24</u> members reported their miles for a total of 10,157 miles which was reported to the national as of July 10th, 2010. All participants

will receive a Million Mile Challenge decal for their car window.

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Reminiscing with the Historian

FIFTY YEARS AGO, 1960 - No information is available.

FORTY-FIVE YEARS AGO, 1965 - The annual picnic was held at the Silver Key Resort in Wacusta, Wisconsin.

FORTY YEARS AGO, 1970 - Ten Model A's participated in a parade and car show at St. Mary's in Sullivan. Mukwonago Park was the setting for the annual picnic.

THIRTY-FIVE YEARS AGO, 1975 - The annual picnic was held at Muskego Park.

THIRTY YEARS AGO, 1980 - Twenty Model A's participated in a three-day car show held at Mayfair Mall. Our picnic was held at Muskego Park. The club finished off the month by helping Lannon celebrate its 50th birthday as an incorporated village.

TWENTY-FIVE YEARS AGO, 1985 - The club gathered at Brown Deer Park for the annual picnic.

TWENTY YEARS AGO, 1990 - The annual picnic was held at Malone Park in New Berlin.

FIFTEEN YEARS AGO, 1995 - We were invited to take part in the 37th annual Threshing Show in Sussex. We also showed our cars at the Franciscan Harvest Festival in Burlington.

TEN YEARS AGO, 2000 - The annual picnic was held at Glacier Hills County Park in Richfield.

FIVE YEARS AGO, 2005 - The annual picnic was held at Malone Park in New Berlin, hosted by Mike and Sue Quam. We also participated in the Congregational Home for Seniors annual car show, hosted by Neil Besougloff.

Submitted by Art and Sue Blazek



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August 14 &15 - Iola Vintage Military Show - Iola, WI Vintage Military & Gun Show with Vintage Tractors and Equipment. Location: Symco Thresheree grounds. Contact Phone: 715-445-4005 Website: www.iolavms.com

August 15 - Waukesha Old Car Club show at Frame Park, Waukesha 8:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

August 21- Circus World Model A Day

August 21 & 22 - Masterpiece Show at Veterans Park 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

August 28 - Gundrum's Public Enemy Car Show, West Bend

September 11 - Luther Manor Classic Car Show Ice Cream Social

September 24-26 - Geneva Lake Classic Car Rally. Lake Geneva, WI www.genevalakeclassiccar.com or Contact Phone: (262) 245-4532

September 25 & 26 - Fall Jefferson Swap Meet, Jefferson County Fairgrounds

September 25 & 26 Germantown Oktoberfest. Bring your car by noon on Saturday or Sunday and receive a coupon for free brat and beer or soda. Located at the Dheinsville Settlement

February 18-20, 2011 - 49th Annual O'Reilly Auto Parts World of Wheels Location: Milwaukee This is one of our many car shows of custom cars and hot rods. Its located at the Wisconsin State Fair Park. For further information or entry forms please visit www.autorama.com

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NOTICE FOR THE NOVEMEBER INDOOR MEET:

Proposed by-law changes:

- 1.) Article III, Section 2, Paragraph A– Remove #1 (First year red on yellow badge) and adjust #2 to read "first to ten years" black on yellow badge.
- 2.) Article V, Section 5 reads: Notice of a special meeting of the Board of Directors shall be given at least two days previous thereto by a written notice delivered personally or sent by mail or by telegram (Remove the "or by telegram") to each director at his address as shown by the records of the corporation. Any director may waive notice of any meeting. The attendance of a director at any meeting shall constitute a waiver of notice of such meeting.

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<u>Sunshine Report:</u>

Roger Olsen is in the hospital recovering from back surgery, should be home before the Rapids Reunion.

William Ford is having hip surgery.

Ken Baewer had an appendectomy.

Condolences to Gene & Joan Engel, whose sister-in -law passed away.



If you have sunshine to report, please contact Dave Huenink at 262-378-4216 or by emailing: awards@model-a-wis.com

Welcome New Members:

George & Darlyne Rauh 5355 County Road PS West Bend, WI 53095 262-334-3919 1931 Tudor



Board of Directors Meeting Minutes from July 17, 2010

Present: Dave Huenink, Dave Boucher, Steve Lewis, Sue Quam, Bob Davisson, Mike Quam

Absent: Roger Olsen, Gene Taurman, Paul Piotrowski

Meeting called to order at 7:02 p.m.

Vice President - Gene Taurman: Mike Q. reported for Gene. One new member, George & Darlyne Rauh of West Bend, WI They own at 1931 Tudor. Motion made by Dave H. accept the new members, seconded by Bob D.

Secretary - Sue Quam: Total number of members is 276. A motion made by Dave B. and seconded by Bob D. to accept the previous meetings minutes as written.

Treasurer - Paul Piotrowski: Mike Q. passed out the treasurers report provided by Paul P. seeing no discrepancies a motion was made by Bob D. and seconded by Sue Q. to accept the treasurers report. Dave H. said the Sams Club membership had been renewed.

Outdoor Coordinator - Dave Boucher: So far 24 members have sent in their mileage for the Million Mile Challenge. To date we have 10,157 miles. Upcoming events are in place. Change to the calendar of Saturday, September 11 for the September tour, not a Sunday.

Indoor Coordinator - Steve Lewis: Marty & Jolene Jannsen are doing the banquet this year and it will be January 29, at the Country Springs Hotel.

Technical Meet Coordinator - Roger Olsen: Nothing to report.

Club Accessories & MAFCA Correspondent - Bob Davisson: The article has been submitted to the Restorer.

Awards & Sunshine - Dave Huenink: To date 4 members have submitted information for memorial plaques at the Rapids. Roger Olsen is in the hospital recovering from back surgery, William Ford is having hip surgery, Ken Baewer had an appendectomy and Gene & Joan Engel's sister-in-law passed away.

Old Business:

- The treasurer's information CD was given to Dave B. for safe keeping. We still need a back up copy of the swap meet information for safe keeping.
- Possible charity events or donations was discussed. Everyone likes the idea of a food drive possibly near Thanksgiving or a donation to Make A Wish.
- Mike Q. looked for the Wis. Chapter MAFCA bench when he was at Iola car show/swap meet. There are so
 many new benches he did not find ours. Inside the Iola booklet they hand out, the clubs name was mentioned
 as a donator.
- A larger article to promote the MAFFI raffle needs to be put into the Wheeling.

New Business: No new business.

A motion to adjourn was made by Bob Davisson and seconded by Dave H. 8:30 p.m. Next meeting is August 20th, 7:00 p.m. at Dave & Donna Boucher's home

Submitted by
Sue Quam
WI Chapter MAFCA Secretary

From The President.....

Hi everyone,

Once again I'm writing this monthly article. It seems I just got this job and next month we open nominations for the board of directors. If you are interested in serving on the board but not sure, take a chance, it really is fun and you get to know and meet a lot of people you may not otherwise meet. If interested just let any board member know and we will get you on the ballot. Please remember all the volunteer positions are open to anyone who would like to serve the club. Check the roster for all the volunteer positions, if you see a volunteer position you're interested in doing just let a board member know

Well for another month we had a great tour, thanks to the Schultzes and Kaufmans. The scenery and weather were both great. In early July Sue, my brother, and myself went to State Fair park for the Harry Miller event and it was fantastic. I would recommend it if you have the chance to go next year. Keep checking the calendar and 'things you auto know' column for events. There are some good events going all season long. Looking to the future our club banquet is already coming together and it will be another good one. So stay posted for more information as it becomes available. Our club picnic is all set so if you have not registered do it quickly as that is done the end of July and you don't want to miss out on this fun event.



If you read last month's column you saw that our trucks rear differential had a broken tooth, I'm happy to report it's back together and running smoothly and quietly. Thanks to help from club members with their used parts and tools the job went smoothly. This is just one more reason to be active in the club if you have questions or problems there is always someone close by and willing to help you.

I will have the Maffi raffle tickets at the picnic if anyone is interested in a chance at winning the restored Model A. Just see me and I'll get you set up with your ticket[s]. Well that's all for this month. I'll see you at the picnic.

Mike

HARRY MILLER CLUB CELEBRATES VINTAGE RACE CAR HISTORY AT ANNUAL MILLERS AT MILWAUKEE

MILWAUKEE, Wis. - The Harry A. Miller Club celebrated vintage race car history at its 16th Annual Millers at Milwaukee Vintage Indy Car Event, held recently at the Milwaukee Mile Oval Track, Wisconsin State Fair Park.

"We had 56 cars enter the event to drive on the famous Milwaukee Mile oval race track, and many past entrants returned to honor the legacy of club founder David Uihlein, whose commitment to the successful establishment of the Harry Miller Club continues to live on," said President Dana Mecum.

The 17th Annual Millers at Milwaukee Event is scheduled for July 22-23, 2011. For more information, visit http://www.harrymillerclub.com or call 262.253.2661.

THE REARVIEW MIRROR

The Cars on Canal event June 22, 2010 was enjoyable. Unfortunately, the severe storms from the previous night and threat of more rain the night of the event must have kept people home. The turnout, in general, of cars being shown was less than last year. Even though it was a small group we enjoyed the sunshine and conversation. Those in attendance beside myself were:

- Mike & Marilyn Brojanac
- Cheryl Prochnow and friend Debbie
- Dan Kane
- Cheryl and Ken Baewer and friends who brought a vintage car of their own
- Karen & Randy Siegel Karen is a coworker of Marilyn and Sally at Rodrian Insurance the couple brought their vintage car.

Hostess, Sally Neuenschwander





Franklin 4th of July Parade

The weather was picture perfect for the July 4th parade in Franklin. A few of us started out with breakfast at McDonalds and talked about our cars to those who where headed over to the Holz Chevrolet Car show.

We had four cars in attendance; Mike Bruch and his grandsons Dillon and Colton Sherwin who are both up and coming Model A'ers, Richard Moschell and family in their 29 Phaeton, Linda Huenink in her MG-TD and Dave Huenink with Morgan the wonder dog sporting his 4th of July bandana.

Hosts Dave & Linda Huenink





THE REARVIEW MIRROR

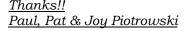
<u>Independence Day Parade, Greendale</u> Sunday, July 4, 2010

The weather certainly cooperated on this day. **Hot!** Spectators lined the complete route and enjoyed the sights and sounds of the Model A's. I had the pleasure of riding with Neil Besougloff in his '31 Victoria. Joy and Pat enjoyed the parade from the back seat of Dave and Donna Boucher's Tudor. After the parade activities, most of the participants gathered at "The Old Country Buffet" for a great tasting lunch.

Pat, Joy & I would like to thank the following club members and friends who joined us at the Village of Greendale Independence Day Parade:

Neil Besougloff
Dave & Donna Boucher
Bob & Sandi Davisson
Bill & Karen Dickinson
Carl & Lu Doro
Gary Ellertson

Marty & Jo Lene Jannsen Chuck & Kris Morgan Jan Olsen Nathan Schulmeister Gary Schwabe Bob & Barb Sonnen



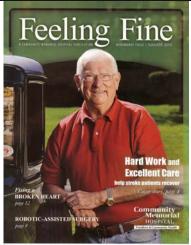








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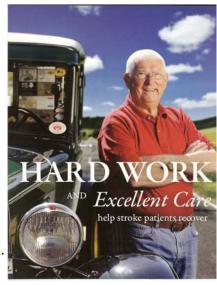


If you live in the Menomonee Falls area, you may have seen this "Feeling Fine" magazine from the Community Memorial Hospital. Its sports club member Stan Larson on the cover and inside. The story of Stan's stroke and remarkable recovery are fascinating. Thanks to the wonderful care Stan received and his hard work in therapy Stan is back on the road in his 1931

Model A truck. Good work Stan!!!

Warning signs of stroke:

- Sudden numbness or weakness of the face, arm, or leg, especially on one side of the body.
- Sudden confusion, trouble speaking or understanding.
- Sudden trouble seeing in one or both eyes.
- Sudden trouble walking, dizziness, loss of balance or coordination.
- Sudden, severe headache with no known cause.



I received a letter in the mail from Patricia Leggett, it reads:

I noticed many club members located near me in the roster. Living in the country there are so many roads for a peaceful drive. Anyone close to rural West Bend who enjoys a scenic country drive with their "sweetie" are invited to stop in, honk the horn and say hi. Since I'm a new member, I'm not yet listed in the chapter roster. My address is 9179 Orchard Vally Rd, West bend. 262-692-2761 Adell, Campbellsport, Fredonia, Cedarburg, Grafton, Hartford, Plymouth, Saukville and of course West bend are all a short distance from Orchard Valley Rd. Patricia Leggett

I recently had a call from Wally Klager who wanted to get together to show me some items he had come across. A little background on Wally incase you don't know him, he is 53 year member, and one of the founding members of the WI Chapter MAFCA club. Wally is an interesting man with interesting historic stories. Wally says he is a true Ford man. He was born at the Ford Hospital in Detroit, went home in a Ford Model T, that he can remember riding in during his early childhood. He learned to drive in a 1937 Ford V-8, it was Ford's first all steel topped car. In the 1950s he remembers seeing Model A's on the streets of Milwaukee. Having seen these cars, he always wanted a Model A with a rumble seat, but acquired a Model A with a trunk and later turned that trunk into a rumble seat. (continued on next page)



Wally & Jan Klager

Wally came to our house and brought some pictures and a newspaper along. One of the pictures is Wally in a rumble seat when he was two years old, with his dog Bozo. He figures his love of the rumble seat started way back then.

One of the neat stories Wally told me about was the time his mom and grandma took him to see the procession of dignitaries going to the dedication of the Edison Institute at Greenfield Village. It was also the 50th anniversary of the light bulb. It was Oct. 21, 1929, Wally, a mere 5 years old, remembers seeing President Hoover, Henry Ford and Thomas Edison all riding in a carriage. He chuckled and said to me "I bet I'm the only guy in

the club to have seen all three of these dignitaries alive". Wally also remembers Thomas Edison's death.

1926- Wally & Bozo in his

Aunt's Hupmobile



He was in second grade and on the day of the funeral at 11:00 a.m. they had a moment of silence.

The newspaper Wally brought along was the Detroit Times from April 8, 1947. Can you guess what the headline was? "Flood lapping at his lawn...FORD DIES IN COLD OIL-LIGHTED HOUSE" The article reads: Henry Ford is dead at 83 years of age. The world's first billionaire passed away unexpectedly at 11:40 p.m. in an isolated, unheated, lamp-lighted home attended only by his wife and a servant. There was no telephone in service at his estate, Fairlane, on the flooded banks of the Rouge River in Dearborn. The only lights were flickering lamps and candles. The only heat was from a

fireplace. The swollen waters of the river, swirling through part of the estate, had cut telephone and power cables in an ironic jest during the final hours of the life of the great inventor.

In these 19th century surroundings, remindful of his childhood on a Dearborn farm, the genius who revolutionized the entire world spent his last few minutes on earth protesting to his wife, Clara Bryant Ford that he felt "slightly ill".

He lapsed into a coma and Mrs. Ford summoned a servant. They were alone with him when he died. Death was due to a cerebral hemorrhage. Mr. & Mrs. Ford would have been married 59 years next Friday.



Other paragraphs from the large article:

The Ford Rouge plant and all Ford units circling the globe will be closed on the day of the funeral. The Edison Institute will be closed tomorrow & Thursday.

Mr. Ford had spent his final day inspecting his flooded estate, visiting the great River Rouge plant, which he dreamed and created and stopped a while at his beloved Greenfield Village. Those who talked to him said he appeared in excellent health, still the tall, spare, energetic man who had changed Detroit from a quiet town into a mighty metropolis.

-Sue Quam

Last of Famous Four Cronies

Henry Ford's death today removed the last of four of the world's most famous camping partners.

The four-Ford, Harvey Firestone, Thomas A. Edison and John Burroughs-for many years spent their vacations together in secluded sections of the United States and Canada. The quartet was broken with the death of Burroughs in 1921, but the remaining three continued their pleasures under the same design.

EDISON WAS "SCOUT"

Edison was the "scout" of the original group. To him went the duties of finding the most secluded Firestone on one occasion said:

"Edison always selects the site. Whatever he says goes and the farther we can get away from newspapers, telegraph wires and business worries, the better we enjoy ourselves."

Ford, Edison and Firestone attended Burroughs' funeral together. At that time Ford explained:

"I am sure that wherever Burroughs is now it's a place where there are birds and animals and other things of nature which he loved so devotedly."

EDISON NEXT TO DIE

Edison died 10 years later leaving Firestone and Ford. The remaining pair first met in 1894 when Firestone was a buggy salesman and Ford was seeking a chassis to be powered by his proposed gasoline motor.

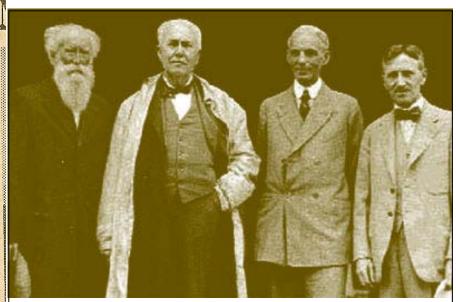
"I nearly went broke during the nine months Henry was trying to put his car on the market," the rubber king recalled before his death.

Close friends have said that if Ford was capable of hero worship, undoubtedly his hero was Thomas Alva Edison, in whose memory he founded the elaborate Edison Institute of Technology at an esti-mated total cost of \$20,000,000. Edison's Menlo Park laboratory

was transferred piece by piece by Ford to his collection of early American structures with other Americana which constitute Greenfield Village in Dearborn.

Interesting articles from the Newspaper Wally Klager brought me.

The Detroit Times April 8, 1947



From left: John Burroughs, Thomas Edison, Henry Ford and Harvey Firestone

Inheritance Taxes May Imperil Estate

The death of Henry Ford had economists speculating whether inheritance taxes will eat into the giant family-owned enterprise, compelling sale of stock to the public.

He is known to have left a will. A company spokesman said, however, that it will be at least a week before the will is filed for Edsel Ford, and by Edsel Ford's probate.

ANNUAL STATEMENT

The company reported assets of \$718,660,356 when it filed its annual statement with the Massachusetts tax commission for the year ending Dec. 31, 1945, includable, stocks, bonds, securities, patent rights, real estate, machinery, furniture, fixtures, merchan-dise and supplies.

It reported a surplus of \$612,-678,531.

part of the Ford stock is owned by that there were then 3,452,900 the Ford Foundation, a philan-shares outstanding at \$5 par value. thropic corporation, and as such is tax-exempt.

understood to have been owned by their families.

Ford and his widow. The balance is reported to be held by the children and grandchildren of the late

Since the death of Edsel Ford, tax experts have stumbled over the problem of fixing the value of a share of voting stock in the huge enterprise.

That question has not yet been settled, and it is presumed that the ing cash, notes, accounts receiv- tax problem will become far more tangled now that the founder is dead.

SPLIT 20 FOR 1

In 1934, the 172,645 shares of Ford stock were split 20 for one It is also known that a large and Edsel's death in 1943 revealed

It is possible that, as he entered his ninth decade of life, Henry Approximately 58 per cent of Ford prepared for death by gifts the voting stock in the company is of stock to his descendants and

Thank you Wally for the interesting materials.

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