



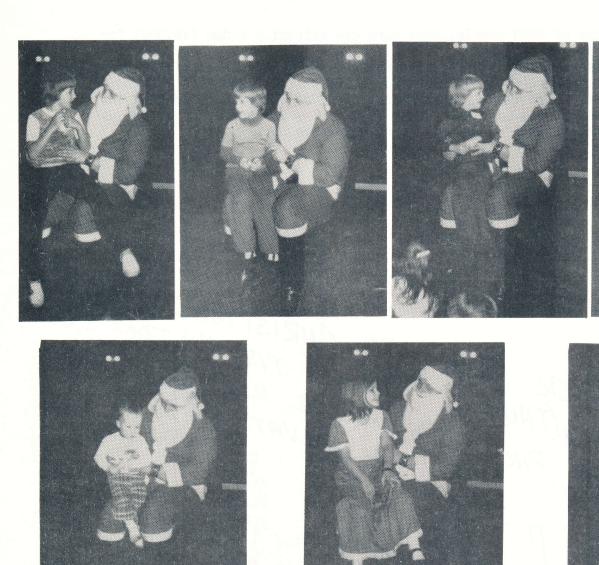
NORTH ALABAMA REGION NEWSLETTER

COWAN, TENNESSEE CHRISTMAS PARADE

For a town of 2500 people, they sure can attract a crowd (15,000) for their annual parade and party. This event gets larger every year and is a credit to those who organize it. The North Alabama Region had six members in the parade Bernie Gier - 1931 Ford Coupe, Ed Baltz - 1929 Ford Phaeton, Dan Shady - 1929 Ford 4-dr, Ernest Cross in a 1923 T touring, Ron Dion in his 1936 Phymouth, and Carl Berry on a 1931 Harley Davison. For all of us that missed this event, we missed a very enjoyable day.



1975 CHRISTMAS PARTY WITH KIDS AND SANTA











Antique Automobile Club of America



NORTH ALABAMA REGION

Director's Column-December, 1976

As outgoing director I would like to thank everyone for the support I received this year. We have had a lot of fun with the various activities and the people who served on the various activities did an outstankling job. I would also like to thank everyone who helped with the programs throughout the year.

With the exception of vice-president, we have elected a capable slate of officers for 1977. They are;

President Vice-president Secretary Treasurer

George Fore Don Hodge Ben Stevens Carl Berry

Elected to serve on the Board of Directors were Eddie Gannaway, Tom Holley, and Dan Shady.

Everything is shaping up nicely concerning formation of a new chapter in the Winchester, Tennessee area. The paperwork has been completed and the only thing that remains in order to be active is the national group's approval which will come in February at the national meeting.

Our deepest sympathies are extended to former president Bill Constable in the loss of his wife, Judith, on November 26.

Again, let me express my gratitude for your support during the year. See you at the Christmas party.

Don Hodge

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EDITOR'S NOTE

I would like to thank everyone that helped me this year with information and their time in putting together this year's and last year's Newsletter and Roster. A special thanks goes out to my wife, Pam, who has typed, helped correlate these newsletters; my mother who has also typed and furnished zerox services for this publication for the last two years; Gene George for his photo work; and you club members who have had to put up with all my poor grammar and spelling.

This is my last Newsletter. Due to some personal situations, I will not be able to publish the 1977 issues. As of yet, there is no one to fill this job as Editor for the coming year, a situation I regret. I was looking forward to receiving a Newsletter instead of sending one.

Anyone interested in this job please contact our new President, George Fore. I will be available to help you start out next year.

I hope you all have enjoyed the Newsletter. See you at the Christmas Party.

Kem Robertson

1976 MEETINGS AND ACTIVITIES

MEETINGS

- O PRESENTATION ON CARBORATORS CARL BERRY

 LADIES NIGHT HICKORY HOUSE RESTAURANT
- O RESTORATION SHOP TOUR GEORGE FORE
- O KELLER CAR PRESENTATION HUBERT MITCHELL
- O RESTORATION SHOP TOUR ERNEST CROSS
- o AUTO STYLING PRESENTATION John Morris
 POT LUCK SUPPER LEONARD BROWN
 ICE CREAM FREEZE BERNIE GIER
- o OLD TIMERS NIGHT
- o MODEL A RESTORATION TIPS DAN SHADY ELK RIVER PICNIC MALL SHOW

AVERAGE ATTENDANCE: 33

1976 TROPHY WINNERS

Members who have an auto that has won a trophy this year:

Dennis McCann - 1928 Pl (Springfield) Rolls Royce New Marlset Convertible Sedan

Bud Condgon - 1923 Rolls Royce (full convertible) Doctors Coupe

Tom Holley - 1946 Chevrolet 4-dr Sedan

Don Hodge - 1938 Ford Sedan

Charles Mullins - 1906 Model N, Ford

Tommy Hunt - 1929 Ford Coupe

1976 NEW AUTOS

DAVID JOHNSON1929	Reo Coupe
ERNEST CROSS1929	Model A Ford 4-dr Sedan
CHARLES MULLINS1936	Ford "Cunningham" Sedan
DOYAL HYATT1935	Chevrolet 4-dr Sedan
LEONARD BROWN1940	Packard 160
KEM ROBERTSON1930	Ford Phaeton
BEN STEVENS1965	Corvette
DON HODGE1940	Olds Convertible
1929	Ford Roadster
TOMMY HUNT1929	Ford Roadster
BOB EDGETON1965	American Motors Marlin
KAL PURUSHOTHAM1940	LaSalle Coupe
DENNIS McCANN1933	Rolls Royce P2 Continental

1976 SHOWS

These are some of the shows attended by Club members. Numerous Bicentenial Parades haven't been listed. I hope no shows have been left out.

Birmingham Charity Show Ala. Dixie Vintage Club Murfreesboro, Tenn. Stones River Region Rome, Ga. Noccalula Falls, Ala. Birmingham, Ala. Dixie Region AACA Joe Wheeler State Park, Ala. North Ala. Region Decatur, Ala. Point Mallard State Park, Decatur Club AACA Hershey, Penn. AACA Fall National Carlisle, Penn. Swap Meet Fort Lauderdale, Fla. AACA Spring National Corinth, Miss Canada, Rolls Royce Owners Club 25th Annual Meeting Jackson, Tenn. Nashville, Tenn. National Model A Meet Lynchburg, Tenn. Classic Car Clubs Annual Norfolk, Va. AACA Spring Meet Louisville, Ky. Kyana Region Swap Meet

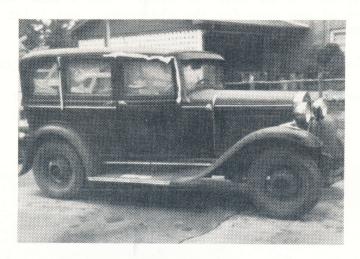
"A picture is worth a thousand words." The car in the "shed" is a 1926 Ford 2-dr sedan and its owner "since way back when" is having a little "sit'en spell". I asked "is the auto for sale?" "Don't know" he answered. "I been offered a lot of new cars for the old buggy, but I jes can't seem to part with it right now."

I guess it wouldn't seem right to see him part with it anyway.

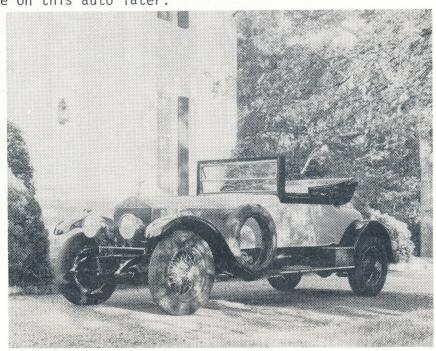
Oh! this picture was taken within 30 miles of Huntsville.



This is Lou Duckwalls' 1931 "Model A" 4-dr Sedan. He has had this auto for a few years now and has been collecting missing parts for the restoration. The only trouble Lou has had, is getting started on the project. You see, he has another hobby, making furniture. The way he is going now, his house will soon be so full of furniture he'll soon be out in the garage. He will have to finish the Model A then.



Bud Condgon owns this full convertible 1923 Rolls Royce Doctors Coupe. Bud has put almost 1000 miles on this 149 1/2 inch wheel base rolling "aircraft carrier" since it has been meticulously restored by Tom Holley. The auto's history is as impressive as its size. Its original owner was Esadore Ostrer, father of Pamela Mason. In the 1930's the Rolls was used as a wrecking car. Harrahs' bought the car for parts and sold it to a Carl Anderson in Bel Air, California in the 1960's and Bud bought the auto from Mr. Anderson. There will be more on this auto later.

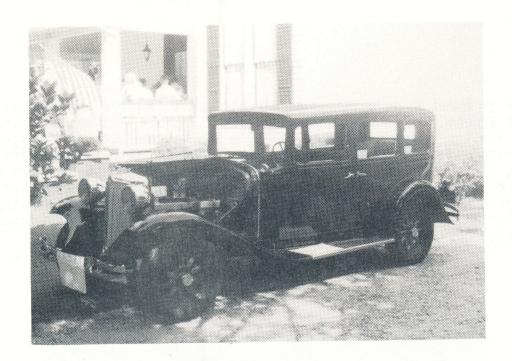


Prior to April 3, 1976 this 1947 Lincoln was a complete and running auto. Bob Edgeton, its owner, was collecting all those little small parts necessary for its future restoration. While Bob had the auto <u>safely stored</u> in a concrete block building, a tornado came along and made the building disappear, and the Lincoln too. The auto was found, as you see it here over a quarter of a mile away from its <u>safe storage</u> place. The parts you see missing were never found. Also missing was all of Bob's time, work, and invested dollars; he had no insurance. For 1977 and on, please protect your investment in your auto, get insurance.



Ron Dion prides himself in his do-it-yourself projects. And sometimes these projects get out of hand and get Ron. Like the time he was repairing the dishwasher and it knocked out one of his front teeth. Well his latest project got him again, when the garage he was building jumped out from under him while he was on top of a ladder. So Ron showed up at the last Club meeting with bruises, scrapes and a slight limp. The garage is pictured here; it measures 24 x 26 feet and has "up stairs" storage. We all wish you luck Ron, on restoring that Model A Ford.





This 1931 Chrysler 4-dr sedan belongs to our new North Alabama Region Secretary, Ben Stevens. The auto was 100 percent complete except for some broken gears in the transmission when he purchased it. Ben has just finished the restoration this year and has used it for some of the local shows.



Ed Baltz bought this 1957 Ford 4-dr Custom 300 in 1958. He has used the auto for his personal transportation ever since. The auto has taken him all across Europe and the U.S. for 200,334 miles. The atuo was equipped with power steering and brakes, air conditioning and three speed overdrive. The auto has taken Ed to numerous area shows and outings but he sold the little Ford for \$100 last week. Now all he has is his 1929 Ford Phaeton which Ed drove to the Cowan Christmas Parade.

... TRIED TO BUY

1976 CLUB MEMBERS AND THE PARTS AND CARS THEY...



NORMALLY I'D GET 5,00 FOR THAT PART, BUT SINCE YOU WANT IT SO BAD, ITS YOURS FOR TEN.

. . BOUGHT



FOR THIS YOU DROVE ALL THE WAY TO WHERE!
AND PAYED WHAT!?!

GOOD DEALS
THEY MISSED





NO THANKS - I'M TRYING TO BUY THIS ROADSTER I'M DRIVING."

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