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Our trip to Prosser

We had a very good turnout for the parade in Prosser. If I counted right there were 12 cars from our club. Some paraded with the Model "A"



club, like Pete and Grace Jackson and Fred and Mary Fraser. Our

line up included such dignitaries as Jack Yale, Dave & Paula Stands, Ed Edwards & Linda, Phil & Dolly Prather, Joe Kuhns, Jim Ayers, Bob & Ruth Ilten, Martha Shreve, Terry & Edris Shegrud, Myrtle Nesbitt



rode with Bob Rupp, and last but not least yours truly Dennis Jackson. The weather couldn't have been better clear sky, not too hot.

We did have a little problem with Jack's Auburn Boat tail, at the end of the parade he noticed that he was losing fluid of some kind out behind his car. It turned out to be transmission fluid.



We were not sure where it was coming from, so we decided to trailer it home on the trouble truck. Did you know that our trouble truck is a vintage Corvette. Not really, Jim Ayres was there in his Corvette and offered to drive home and come back with a trailer. The rest of us went to the Barn for lunch and when I pulled in to the lot, I realized I had no brakes. Dave Stands and a couple of the Shriners tried to fix the problem with no success. I ended up Driving home using the hand brake and braking power of the engine. I was escorted all the way home with Dave stands in front and Terry Shegrud behind. These two incidents are indicative of the camaraderie the makes our Club the great club it is.

The Flour Mill

Those of you who couldn't make it on this tour missed a really good one. Seven cars left the Red Lion parking lot in Pasco on Saturday morning.

Everything was going well until we were just this side of Pomeroy

and Martha's Packard just decided it was tired and just quit. Of



course the guys loved it, this was their chance to show off and come to the rescue of a fair maiden.

They jumped out of their cars and had their heads under the hood in no time. Of course they had to ask Martha *THE* question did you buy gas? They weren't sure what they did but it stared and we made it to



Prescott. It died two more times in town and it was decided there was a problem with the distributor. A little electrical tape and we were off again. Evidently there was a plan to stop at a coffee shop but with Martha, their leader, leading them they followed her past the coffee shop like lemmings over the cliff. The mistake was corrected and they returned to have coffee. The flour mill was built in the late 1800' and the technology they used is amazing. We were able to go up three floors from the basement to the top floor. There had lots of antiques to enjoy. Lunch to those who wanted for a small donation. The Packard was fine coming home. So the trip home was kind of boring.

Thanks to Bob and Delores for planning this trip, we all had a great time.

Happy Halloween

Boo



Boo

Heritage Days at Sacajawea Park

We had a rather poor showing at the park this past Saturday, only four cars showed up, two from our club (Martha and me) two from the Model "A" club (Fred Fraser and Don Meyers who are also members of our club) This



was quite an event for them. I didn't count them but I was told that

there were close to sixty displays and tents. All the exhibitors were dressed in period costumes. There were frontiersmen displays, dutch oven cooking demos, weaving, blacksmith tents, log canoe making, and plenty of live music.



Dutch oven cooking.

Some of the tents.





Frontiersman's kitchen sink



Blacksmith's shop



Here are some pictures of some of the exhibits that were interesting.

We also found a new friend for Jack's dog

Destination

The average person's life consists of 20 years of having parents ask where they are going, 40 years of having a spouse ask the same question; At the end having the mourners wondering where they are going also.

Wisdom

We learn wisdom from failure much more than from success, We often discover what will do by finding out what will not do; and probably he who never made a mistake never made a discovery.

Enthusiasm

If you are not getting as much from life as you want to, then examine the state of your enthusiasm

Perspective

In order to maintain a well balanced perspective the person who has a dog to worship him should also have a cat to ignore him

Integrity

We get so much in the habit of wearing a disguise before others that we appear disguised before ourselves

What's Happening

- Oct.4th Trip to walnut farm Contact Jim Ayers for details
- Oct 21st 3 Rivers Museum Meeting @ Kiwanis Bldg in Col Park 7pm - 9pm
- Oct 23 & 24 Old Richland Cemetery on Williams. Need cars on Fri 23rd and Sat 24th from 9am to 1pm
- Oct 31st Need six cars for Finley Home coming
- Nov 14th West Richland Veterans Day Parade 8am on Van Geisen. Contact Ed Edwards for details.

My trip to Alaska

You probably don't care about my trip to Alaska but since I have a captive audience I thought I would tell you about it. The other reason was that no one submitted any article for print so I ended



up having open space in the newsletter. Here are a couple pictures of a neat little Ford that was running around town and some pictures of me running around in shirt sleeves in Alaska in September.

Prez Sez

Today is the first day of fall and our year is quickly winding down. There are still several opportunities to show off your cars and I hope you take advantage of them.

It will soon be time for election of officers. If you have ever thought you would like to be an officer of Ye Olde Car Club, now is the time to speak up and volunteer. I will be appointing a nominating committee in the near future.

Please take time check the calendar of events to see which ones you can participate in. This is perfect weather to get out and drive your cars and show them off.

Wednesday morning breakfast is now at Sterling's Restaurant in Kennewick. The first time we went there were 33 people there and we need to make sure everyone knows that we changed restaurants. The coffee and tea is free. See you next Wednesday?

Thoughts to ponder

One form of loneliness is to have a memory and no one to share it with

Phyllis Rose

The key to success is work hard, stay focused and marry a Kennedy

Arnold Schwarzenegger

October Birthdays

1st	Ward Moberg	15th	Art Goldgrabe
2nd	Myrtle Nesbitt	19th	Red Rutherford
4th	Rachel Gould	20th	Jan Underwood
7th	Lee Jackson	22nd	Dale Petty
14th	John Nelson	24th	Sandy Klipper

Anniversaries

16th	Terry and Edris Shegrud
24th	Richard and Sherrie Boob
25th	Ken and Carolyn Shreve

On Wednesday the 30th we went to the Life Care Center in Kennewick and were very surprised at



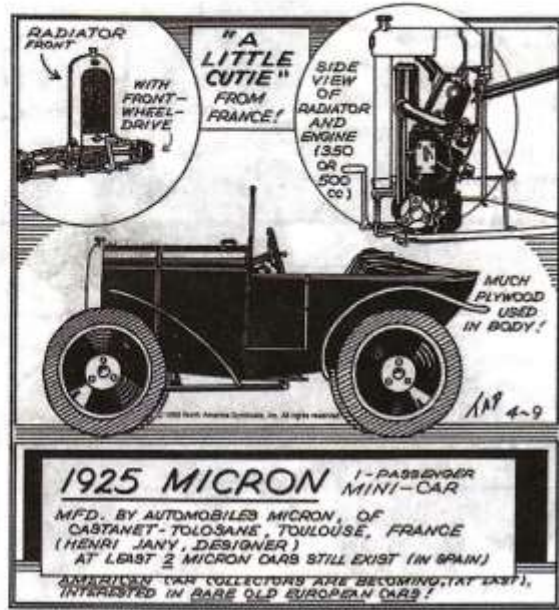
how many cars showed up. They fed us quite well and entertained us with big band music. The music got Jim and Ginger



Vetrano to trip the light fantastic. And because of their dancing skill they were interviewed by the TV station and went live @ 6PM. Sorry about the picture quality, I took it with my cell phone.



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1925 Micron

France was an exciting place in the 1920s! Many American travelers visited that country in those days, and a number of American authors and show-business personalities made their homes there, either temporarily or permanently. The year 1925 was an especially exciting one in Paris—the year of a famous international exposition featuring the finest of modern art and design. It was also the year of this funny little Micron mini-car, made in France.

Small "cycle cars" were briefly popular in the United States from 1913 to 1916. And, interestingly, the cycle car—though virtually forgotten in the U.S.A. during the 1920s—flourished in Europe at that time. With such tiny cars, many people could now afford their own "wheels."

The typical cycle car has light weight, wire-spoked wheels with rather

narrow tires (almost like motorcycle or bicycle wheels). But, this 1925 one-cylinder Micron used steel disc wheels, as seen here.

The Micron's engine was the ultimate in simplicity, and it had front-wheel drive. Top speed and fuel economy figures were not mentioned, but it's likely that this little vehicle would cruise at 25 or 30 m.p.h. and deliver 50 or more miles per gallon under favorable circumstances (such as a good wind behind it)!

A few years ago, American car collectors were almost exclusively interested in American-built cars. However, with more and more Americans traveling overseas in recent years, it's not surprising that car collectors would run across unusual foreign cars that interested them.

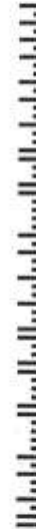
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