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BACK TO SCHOOL

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The summer was almost over. It was the first of September and school started right after Labor Day. Now some of the Sitzman kids were excited. They liked school! They were happy about seeing their favorite friends every day and even about seeing the teachers again.

The girls especially liked the new clothes they got each year. While Mom Sitzman and Grandma Roberts made most of their clothes, each school year all the kids got one new set of store bought clothes. For the girls, it was a nice dress, and for the boys, new overalls and maybe a new shirt if needed. And each and every kid got a new pair of shoes to start the year with.

For Larry, that last item was the problem! He HATED wearing shoes. Well, maybe once it got cold in the winter, it was fine. With some nice wool socks to keep the boots warm. Why there was nothing wrong with that. And of course, he wore shoes to go to church or special occasions. But wearing shoes every day in September, while it was still summer outside?? Well, that was just WRONG in his mind.

Every spring, when the weather started getting warm, the kids started begging Mom Sitzman to be able to go barefoot. She always carefully considered the weather, the month, etc. before making her decision. She knew once she gave permission,

there was no going back. The boys would be going barefoot from then on even if there was a late blizzard! So she always made them wait until at least the last part of May to ditch the shoes.

But now that school was starting again, there was no argument. When you went to school, you wore shoes. Every day. Like it or not. That's not to say you couldn't take them off once the day was over. But all during the day when the weather was warm, Larry considered it a form of torture to keep those heavy farm boots on.

Each summer, when the new Sears catalog came in, Mom and Dad Sitzman let each kid pick a new pair of shoes from the pages. For most of the boys, that was a no brainer! Just another pair like they had before. For the girls, it took days for them to decide on the style, color, heel, and other important details that only girls seemed to have knowledge of. But Larry just hated even looking at the pictures of those boots knowing he would have to wear them all too soon.



This year, he spent especially a long time looking at the new athletic shoes. Made from rubber and canvas, he thought they looked so much more comfortable and cool. But Mom just shook her head, and Dad talked about how unpractical they would be to do chores in, or for walking in the snow or mud in bad

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weather. So Larry just looked and dreamed of these wonderful shoes, and sadly ordered a new pair of boots just like every year.

A week before school was to begin, Dad Sitzman came home driving the Model A pickup, and ahoogaing the horn. Mom quickly went to the yard to see what was happening, and of course, kids appeared from all corners of the place to find out too!

Dad jumped out of the truck, and said: "Look what came in at the Post Office today!" And the whole bed of the Model A was filled with packages! There was a box of shoes each for all twelve kids and other packages of all the dresses and shirts and overalls for all of them too! It was like Christmas in the summertime! Most of the kids were excited and started grabbing at boxes and tossing them every which way looking for their own before Dad Sitzman waded in and imposed some order to the chaos. He firmly stated he would be the one doing the distributing and everyone would just have to wait their turn.

So one by one, he started handing out parcels. Mom Sitzman kept a close watch to make sure that everything that was ordered was received. You never knew when they were going to send the wrong color or size, and it was easiest to take care of that right way if it happened. As each parcel was handed out, they were quickly torn open, and the new items pulled out and displayed. Soon the girls were comparing their new shoes, and holding up their new dresses to show off the perfect color they had picked out.

The boys weren't quite so excited by their new clothes and shoes, but they still had a good time making fun of their sisters! The twins Richard and Robert grabbed Suzanne's new shoes and started clomping around in them and while she was chasing after them, Leonard picked up her dress and started sashaying around with it held in front, and saying funny things in a high voice and batting his eyes at the other kids. Most of them were cracking up, but Mom Sitzman soon made the boys hand the items back over the offended Suzanne who then huffed off into the house. She felt like she was a young lady now who shouldn't have to put up with such childish behavior.

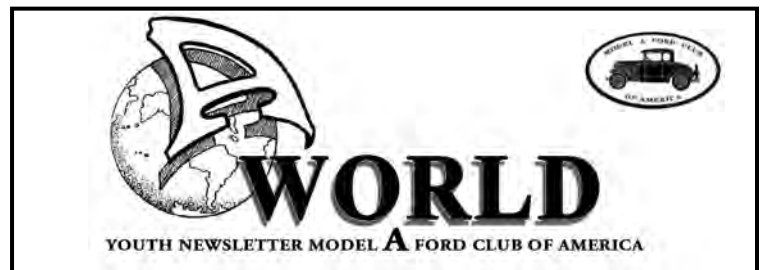
Now Larry was just as ornery during all this, but he wasn't excited about his new shoes. He had opened the box, glanced at the leather boots, and sat it down in a corner, sighing heavily, before going back to teasing the girls again. So he was surprised when Dad Sitzman called his name. Dad was looking at the last package in the truck, and saying, "Hey Larry, this one has your name on it too!" Larry was puzzled because he knew he had both his new pair of shoes and his new clothes so he had no idea what was in that

parcel. But it didn't take him long to rip it open to find out.

Larry's jaw just about hit the ground when he opened the package to see a bright black and white pair of Ked's athletic shoes shining out at him! He was actually speechless for a few minutes, which if you know Larry, you knew how rare that was! Seems Mom and Dad had a long talk about Larry and his shoe blues and decided he was old enough to take care of these new shoes. He had to promise to always change into his work boots for chores, or bad weather, but otherwise, he was allowed to wear this pair.



So today was the first of September, and School started next week. But for the first time in many years, Larry was finally looking forward to it, with his new light pair of wonder shoes!



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Model "A" accessories

Traffic Signal Finders

These handy little gadgets were quite popular in the early days of automobiles. For the Model A, the design with the visor sticking out over the windshield made seeing the overhead traffic signals difficult to see without scrunching down and twisting your neck. These little reflectors worked similar to our modern side mirrors that say "objects in mirror are closer than they seem". The concave shape makes objects look smaller and closer. It also shows a wider angle view, like a fish eye lens. All in all, they seemed to work quite well as they remained popular throughout the 50's.

Traffic Signal Reflector



A Glass Lens of Peculiar Half-Moon Shape.


Reflect traffic signals so that you can see "go" and "stop" signs without bending down or taking attention from driving.

VACUUM CUP Type Goes on Windshield (B318) **79c**

CLAMP Type Goes on Sunvisor (B319) **79c**

"MOONBEAM" TRAFFIC SIGNAL FINDER

Neat and Practical!




This is the new and improved model, with rubber vacuum cup that enables you to attach to inside of windshield. Reflects the lights of traffic signals so that you can watch them, even if placed out of the ordinary line of vision, without taking your attention from driving. **NO CEMENT OR TOOLS REQUIRED.** It shows the light by night or day. Diameter of glass 2".

Note Our Low Price!

9302 — "Moonbeam" Traffic Signal Finder... **.69**

LEADER TRAFFIC LIGHT DETECTOR




The driver can now be protected by day or night. This simple 2 3/4-inch glass placed on your windshield, at about most convenient to yourself, reflects the overhanging traffic light into your vision. Easily installed with application of Silicate of Soda. Regular price \$1.00—can be obtained at only 49c.

PEP BOYS STORES

93—Leader Traffic Light Detector..... **.49**

SEE-A-LITE TRAFFIC SIGNAL FINDER



Installed on sunvisor, **SEE-A-LITE** lowers overhead traffic signals to driver's normal line of vision, by its scientifically designed double cylindrical lens. Mounted in beautiful bakelite frame, it is one of the real comforts you can add to your car and which you will use many times every day. **ALWAYS READY DAY OR NIGHT.**

9308—See-A-Lite Traffic Signal Finder..... **.69**

Sport Shoes!

We have a tendency to think that having specialized athletic shoes is a modern thing. Not so! Check out these ads from 1928-1931. Although they weren't as specialized as today, there were still shoes made specifically for sports. You might even recognize some of these brands, although in the case of Goodrich or Firestone more for tires than shoes!

Your athletic future may depend on the footwear you wear now!



Firestone
ATHLETES' SHOES

4 Basket Ball Shoes DESIGNED For Various Types of Play



SERVUS BASKET BALL SHOES

ESCAPE! from heavy shoes

Goodrich
Sport Shoes

They HAD to be *fast on their feet* to win the Pennsylvania championship

GRIPS

This lucky shot started with good footwork!

HOOD

Big games coming—shoes o.k.?



Converse
BASKETBALL SHOES ARCHIVES
Varsity SHOES
Plus DANCESTORE.COM

70,000 watched him win this game

yet he never held a football before he came to college



Keds
Footwork builds stars

KIDS AND THEIR "A"s!



Annabell can hardly wait until Uncle John Duden finishes the restoration on this pickup!



Lily. Yager was about 20 months old in this picture but she already looks ready to hit the road!



Number one Grandson of Jay McCord, Seth with Grandpa's new AA truck.



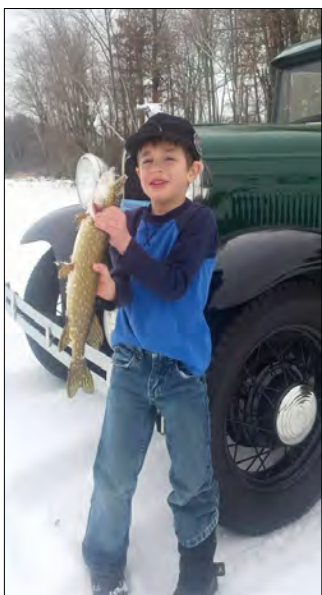
The two Orlando kids, from Dover Delaware two are dreaming of when this Model A



Looks like Nyssa is having a lot of fun riding in this A in the snow! Nyssa lives in Toronto Ontario



Nevin and Ian Munson, with a few years in between pictures. Looks like they still enjoy that rumble seat!



Tyler Johnson is enjoying several hobbies here! Fishing and Model A seem to make a great combination!



Holden and A J Simmons are from Oklahoma. Looks like it had been a long Model A day!



(L to R); Ian, Tyler and Annie Johnson. We are with the Central Wisconsin Chapter MAFCA and live in Amherst Wisconsin. This picture was taken near there on Lake Emily, the beach is in the background.



Tanner Windemuller loves this Model A pickup. He is from Holland Michigan.



A friend of Don Turley is enjoying her first experience with a Model A. She's only 10 and ready to drive!



Jim Jennings' Fordor got a lot of attention at Cruise Night at Mayfield Village, Ohio



Here is Alyssa Aguirre working on the family Model A.

Alyssa lives in Grants Pass, Oregon!



Sean Hudson did his best to help his dad work on this frame off restoration. Sean is from College Station Texas.



Here is a photo of John Duden when he first got his 1928 AA truck. It is now restored and John is 19 and still driving it!



Ethan Bond enjoys helping his dad Tanner keep their A's clean and shiny! Ethan lives in Montgomery Texas.



Nathan & Harrison Barrett returning from tour to Rough & Ready CA a few years ago. Both these guys, now in their 20's, are currently Santa Clara Valley Chapter (SCVC) and MAFCA members in California! Nathan applied and received a college scholarship from MAFCA. They are third generation Model A ers!

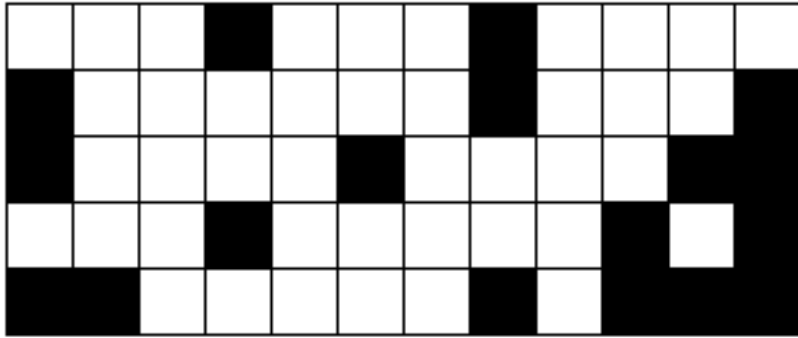
SIX THINGS ARE DIFFERENT!

This Model A's made it to the top of the mountain pass! But the one on the top seem to have lost a few items on the way up! Can you find them without looking at the hints?

The answers are on page 9 but don't peek too soon!



A Fun Saying About the Model A!

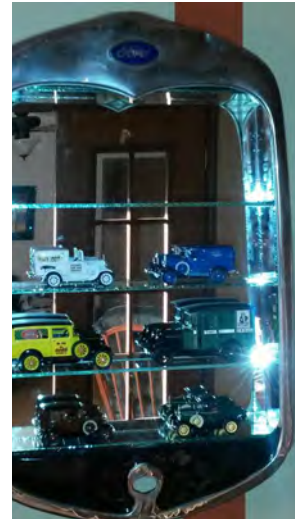


M L S E
O M D R W E
S I I D E L P N R
Y O U O G E T H M E A
Y M U L E E I V A O R E

Display Idea

Want a unique shelf to display your Model A items? Here a great idea.

Check out your dad's garage, or grandpa's barn, or maybe even tag along to the next swap meet to find an old radiator shell.



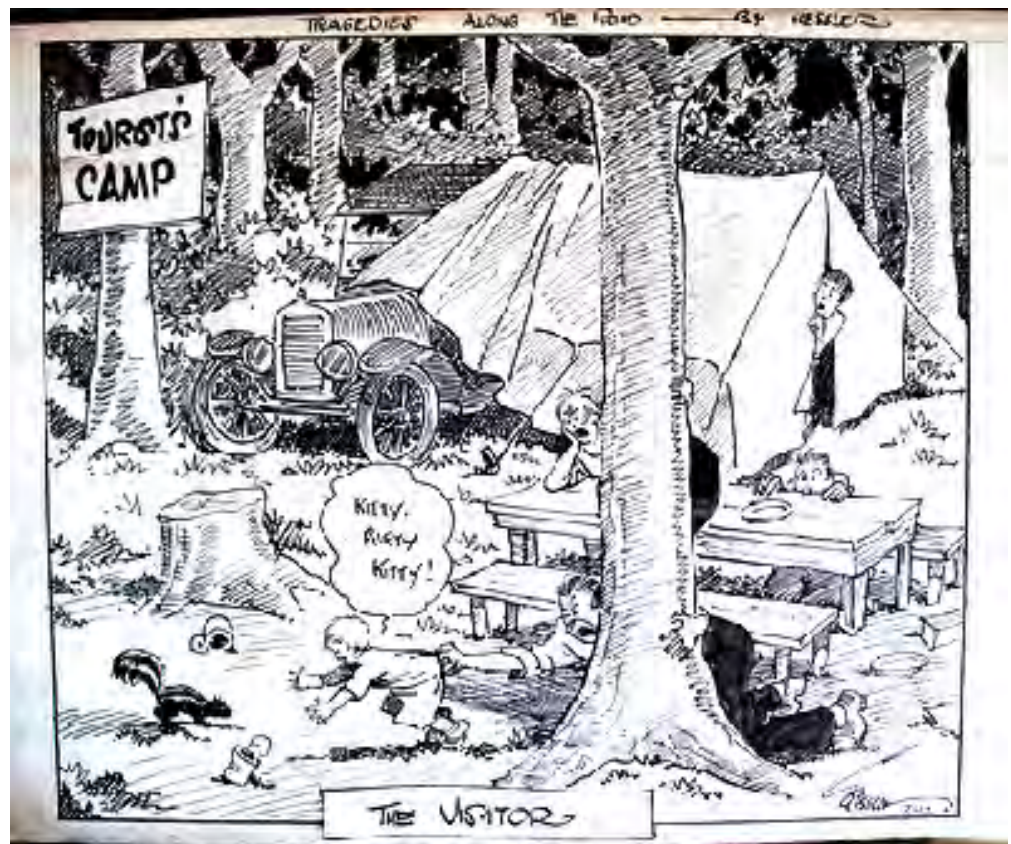
This one has a mirror on the back and glass shelves, but I bet it would look just as awesome using other materials as well.

Car-Toon

A little Era humor! It's titled "Tragedies along the road".

Did you know they actually did sell tents that included your car as one side? Apparently people slept in the cars, at least that's what the catalogs selling beds that sit above the seats show. Auto part catalogs used to sell these items, along with camping equipment such as dishes and stoves right along side the car parts!

Camping become much more popular once cars made it so much easier to travel. It was one of the first times that people started to travel just for fun, and not just to get from one spot to the other.



Henry's Made a Lady Out of Lizzie

Did you know that the release of the Model A was such a big event that they even wrote songs about it! This is my favorite one. The Model A replaced the Model T which was often referred to as a "Tin Lizzie". [Note: Lizzie was a slang term for house maid] These songs to emphasized how much difference there was between the old and new vehicle.

If you'd like to hear this song, just go over to Youtube. My favorite is by "The Happiness Boys", a then famous vaudeville act. You can find it at <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ai-nXxGDXSY> Another fun version can be found at <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=UWagNpfQ6Fo>. Check it out, it fun to hear what Model A Era music sounded like!



Fred Bluett's instantaneous Comedy Hit in the Empire Theatres Ltd. Production.
"TAKE THE AIR"
 RUFFE NAYLOR (Managing Director). Musical Director, WILLY REDSTONE.
 Produced by HARRY HALL. Ballets invented by MAURICE DIAMOND.

HENRY'S MADE A LADY OUT OF LIZZIE

By Walter O'Keefe

1928

Features by FRED BLUETT

ALBERTSON

Did you know there were a lot more verses? Walter O'Keefe apparently enjoyed writing this song and didn't want to stop. I wonder how often these really got sung.

Talk of this and talk of that,
 Boys you must take off your hat,
HENRY'S MADE A LADY OUT OF LIZZIE!
 Has she plenty, has she much?
 Got the "tin" you love to touch,
HENRY'S MADE A LADY OUT OF LIZZIE!
 They used to park her in a lot,
 For that they charged two bits,
 But now they charge you nothing,
 And you park her at the Ritz,
 She once had rattles in her wheel,
 But now she's full of "cees appeal,"
HENRY'S MADE A LADY OUT OF LIZZIE!

She's like all the other vapors,
 Pretty shape and lovely lamps,
HENRY'S MADE A LADY OUT OF LIZZIE!
 Since she's taken on some weight,
 Honest, folks, she's looking great,
HENRY'S MADE A LADY OUT OF LIZZIE!
 Her dash-board has a clock,
 That's made a hit with all the Scotch,
 A Scotchman saw the clock,
 And so he promptly stopped his watch,
 You've all heard the Frenchman song,
 Fifty million can't be wrong,
HENRY'S MADE A LADY OUT OF LIZZIE!

Just a girl who knows her stuff,
 Plenty fast but never rough,
HENRY'S MADE A LADY OUT OF LIZZIE!
 Always tidy, always clean,
 Faithful as an old Marine,
HENRY'S MADE A LADY OUT OF LIZZIE!
 She's not the kind who tries to get
 Your money all at once;
 She only wants ten dollars down,
 The rest in fourteen months,
 Good for sister, nice for Ma,
 Ev'nybody rides but Pa,
HENRY'S MADE A LADY OUT OF LIZZIE!

Ev'ry groom and blushing bride,
 Now enjoy their buggy ride,
HENRY'S MADE A LADY OUT OF LIZZIE!
 No one curses, no one swears,
 Lizzie never needs repairs,
HENRY'S MADE A LADY OUT OF LIZZIE!
 She used to kick and jump around,
 On ev'ry trolley track,
 But now she's very ladylike,
 And never answers back,
 She will surely catch your eye,
 You know salesmen never lie,
HENRY'S MADE A LADY OUT OF LIZZIE!

No more chug-chug-chug-chug bang!
 No more cuss words, no more slang,
HENRY'S MADE A LADY OUT OF LIZZIE!
 Not the noisy flapper kind,
 Simply quiet and refined,
HENRY'S MADE A LADY OUT OF LIZZIE!
 They used to say "We own a car,
 It looks like one, I mean,
 But now they say, "I'll have you know
 We own a Ford machine,
 No more playing Jack and Jill,
 No more tumbling down the hill,
HENRY'S MADE A LADY OUT OF LIZZIE!

When she's coming down the street,
 All the boys say, "Ain't she sweet!"
HENRY'S MADE A LADY OUT OF LIZZIE!
 Every man will go for her,
 She's the kind that men prefer,
HENRY'S MADE A LADY OUT OF LIZZIE!
 Oh, even Thomas Edison,
 The wizard that he is,
 Could not resist her charms,
 And was the first to take out
 He said, "She's Okay to me,
 All she needs is company,"
HENRY'S MADE A LADY OUT OF LIZZIE!

rum - ble seat, And lots of style and class; The horn just seems to
 side her now ex - cept a "kit - chen sink; A mir - ror and a
 Coo - loon, she's a girl who likes her fun; She says "I - mag - ine

hel - ler out "Toot - Toot they shall not pass? The Lin - coln car just
 pow - der puff, A show - er - bath, I think. I'll bet my sock that
 an - y - one, Who does - n't choose to run? They used to keep her

yell out loud - That they are might - y, might - y proud - Henry's made a
 this Miss Ford - Will live as long as Fan - cy Ward - Henry's made a
 with the cow - But gee, you ought to see her now - Henry's made a

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Henry Made etc (313)

HENRY'S MADE A LADY OUT OF LIZZIE

By WALTER O'KEEFE

Time Variable
 A D F B
 Put Capo on 1st fret

Moderato

Piano

Voice

Till ready

How you seen her, Ain't she great? She's something you'll ap - pre - ci - ate, Him
 When you see her, Well, a - gree, She's just the one for you and me, She's

sure you un - der - stand just what I mean. Ev - ry - bo - dy, Ev - ry - where, la
 ev - ry - thing that an - y - one could ask. "Sit - tin' - pret - ty" You I am. With

fall - ing for her now - I'm talk - ing about the new Ford, And boy, it's sure a - wow!
 her tin always found; You'll - o - ugh - ta' see her. Chas - sis, it's sure the best a - round!

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Chorus

1. Lay off peo - ple, Lay off folks - None of your sar - cas - tic jokes -
 2. Now she's e - ven learned to stop - For ev - ry sin - gle traf - fic cop -
 3. C. O. D., and P. O. B., - All you need is "Do - Re - Mi"

Henry's made a la - dy out of Liz - zie. No more bruis - es,
 Henry's made a la - dy out of Liz - zie. Not a rat - te,
 Henry's made a la - dy out of Liz - zie. Since he lift - ed

no more aches - Now she's got those four wheel brakes; Henry's made a
 not a bit, - Liz - zie now has lots of "it"; - Henry's made a
 up her face; - She trav - els at an aw - ful pace; - Henry's made a

la - dy out of Liz - zie. She's ev - en got a
 la - dy out of Liz - zie. There's ev - ry - thing in -
 la - dy out of Liz - zie. She's not like Cal - vin

Henry Made etc (312)

Here's a nice copy of a 1931 Model A Ford, Full-Line Brochure. Below you can see the different models and colors available the last year the Model A was available. It doesn't show all the colors, but give a good sample! How many of these different models have you seen?

YOU SAVE IN MANY WAYS WHEN YOU BUY A FORD

Low first cost is just one advantage of buying a Ford. Of even greater importance is the saving in the cost of operation and up-keep. As the months and years go by, this saving will total many dollars. The economy of the Ford is due to its simplicity of design, high quality of materials, and accuracy in manufacturing and assembly. Every part has been made to endure—to serve you faithfully and well for many thousands of miles. Ford owners everywhere will tell you of the economy and reliability of the new Ford. A salesman who travels long distances daily by automobile writes: "I purchased a Model A Ford Coupe on May 8, 1928, and of this writing have run it 75,888 miles. After I had driven 44,402 miles, I spent \$45 in repairs and at 61,000 miles had an additional amount of work done costing \$25. I have never had the brakes relined. My tire mileage has averaged better than 18,000 miles." Another Ford owner talks of traveling more than 24,000 miles in a year and says: "The only parts expense was 75c for a shock-absorber link and 50c for a new rubber for the windshield wiper." A total of 39,721 miles is reported by a Ford owner on 1683 gallons of gasoline. Large industrial companies which keep accurate cost records are buying more and more Ford cars every year because of their proved economy of operation and up-keep. Many of these have fleets of fifty, one hundred and two hundred Ford cars and trucks. One large corporation operates more than eight thousand. The experience of these careful buyers is a dependable guide for you to follow in the purchase of an automobile.



Shatter-proof Glass Windshield
All of the new Ford cars have a Triple shatter-proof glass windshield. This is an important safety factor because it reduces the danger of flying glass—the cause of most of the injuries in automobile accidents.



Fully Enclosed Four-Wheel Brakes
The four-wheel brakes on the new Ford are the mechanical inboard expanding type. They are unusually effective and reliable with all working parts fully enclosed. This prevents water, dirt or grease from getting between bands and drums and interfering with performance.



Houdaille Double-Acting Hydraulic Shock Absorbers
Easy-riding comfort is another feature of the Ford car. This is due to the four Houdaille double-acting hydraulic shock absorbers, transverse springs, steel spoke wheels, low unsprung weight, and the torque tube drive.



More Than Twenty Ball and Roller Bearings
The new Ford is a smooth-running car because it has more than twenty ball and roller bearings—an unusually large number. In addition to smooth operation, they save gasoline, give more speed and power, decrease noise, and increase durability.



NEW FORD DELUXE ROADSTER
Fast, easy lines and striking colors. Seat and back cushions of finest material upholstered in genuine leather. Rear seat and equal lights are standard equipment.

Rustless Steel
Bright, gleaming Rustless Steel is used for the headlamps, radiator shell and other exterior metal parts of the new Ford. It will not rust, corrode, tarnish or scale under any conditions. Its use is a further indication of the Ford policy of giving "Value Far Above the Price".



Craftsmanship in Manufacturing
The new Ford is made with unusual care. The aluminum pistons are held true to within one one-thousandth of an inch of the specified diameter of 3 1/8 inches. Piston holes are diamond bored within a variation of three ten-thousandths of an inch.

Other features of the new Ford are—
BEAUTIFUL LINES — CHOICE OF COLORS — EASE OF CONTROL — CHROME SILICON ALLOY VALVES — STURDY BODY CONSTRUCTION — ALUMINUM PISTONS — TORQUE TUBE DRIVE — RELIABILITY — LOW COST OF OPERATION AND UP-KEEP — LOW FIRST COST — 35 TO 45 MILES AN HOUR — LONG LIFE — QUICK ACCELERATION




THE NEW FORD




VALUE FAR ABOVE THE PRICE




MANY BEAUTIFUL FORD BODY TYPES IN A CHOICE OF COLORS FOR YOUR SELECTION




NEW FORD ROADSTER
A sport, smart, convertible comes quickly on its heels. Triple shatter-proof windshield and windshield wiper. Flexible seat and equal lights are standard equipment. Low cost operation and safety will save you many dollars.




NEW FORD SPORT COUPE
In rich, machine gray, the sports car is handsome, durable and weather-right. The sport trim is carried into the interior. The deep seat cushions are unusually homogeneous with a standard checked fabric.




NEW FORD PHAETON
Another example of Ford craftsmanship, fine lines, beautiful colors, and outstanding performance. The substantial trim is easy to get up or take down. Gleaming Rustless Steel is used for easy exterior metal parts.




NEW FORD DELUXE PHAETON
Sweeping lines and attractive sport trim. Seat and back cushions upholstered in genuine leather. One wide door opens to front and rear seats. Adjustable driver's seat. Steady walk for doors ahead or left.




NEW FORD TUDOR SEDAN
A popular family car for five people. Oversee more for five people. Front seats fold. As in all new Fords, four Houdaille double-acting hydraulic shock absorbers and transverse springs give smooth riding comfort.




NEW FORD COUPE
A closed car with attractive body lines and beautiful colors. The seat's four inch adjustment range accommodates the driver with long or short reach. There is a large space in rear deck for baggage or packages.




NEW FORDOR SEDAN
A roomy, comfortable five-passenger car. The driver's seat is adjustable. There is a close light in rear compartment. You may drive and ride in this or any Ford car for hours and hours without tiring.




NEW FORD DELUXE SEDAN
This Deluxe is low, quiet and sophisticated. Driver's seat is fully adjustable. Rear seat has folding center arm and side seat rails. Model of Bedford Court upholstery of leather, leatherette or cloth.




NEW FORD VICTORIA
The new Ford Victoria is a Deluxe car of unusual appeal. It is distinguished by its shining windshield and top. Both have four Houdaille double-acting hydraulic shock absorbers and transverse springs give smooth riding comfort.



NEW FORD TOWN SEDAN
Inexpensive transportation at low cost. Richly finished in many details. The deep cushions are upholstered in Mohair or Bedford Court fabric. Side seat rails. Folding rear seat in center of rear seat. Side seat rails.



NEW FORD CONVERTIBLE CARRIOLET
Combines the car's fine lines and the snug comfort of a coupe. The convertible top may be easily raised or lowered. The adjustable seat is upholstered with rich top Bedford cloth. Equipped with variable seat.



NEW FORD DELUXE COUPE
Another beautiful Ford Deluxe body. This may choose either leather, leatherette upholstery or fabric. Mohair or Bedford Court. The spacious seat, with its adjustable head rest, can be adjusted.

Puzzle Answers

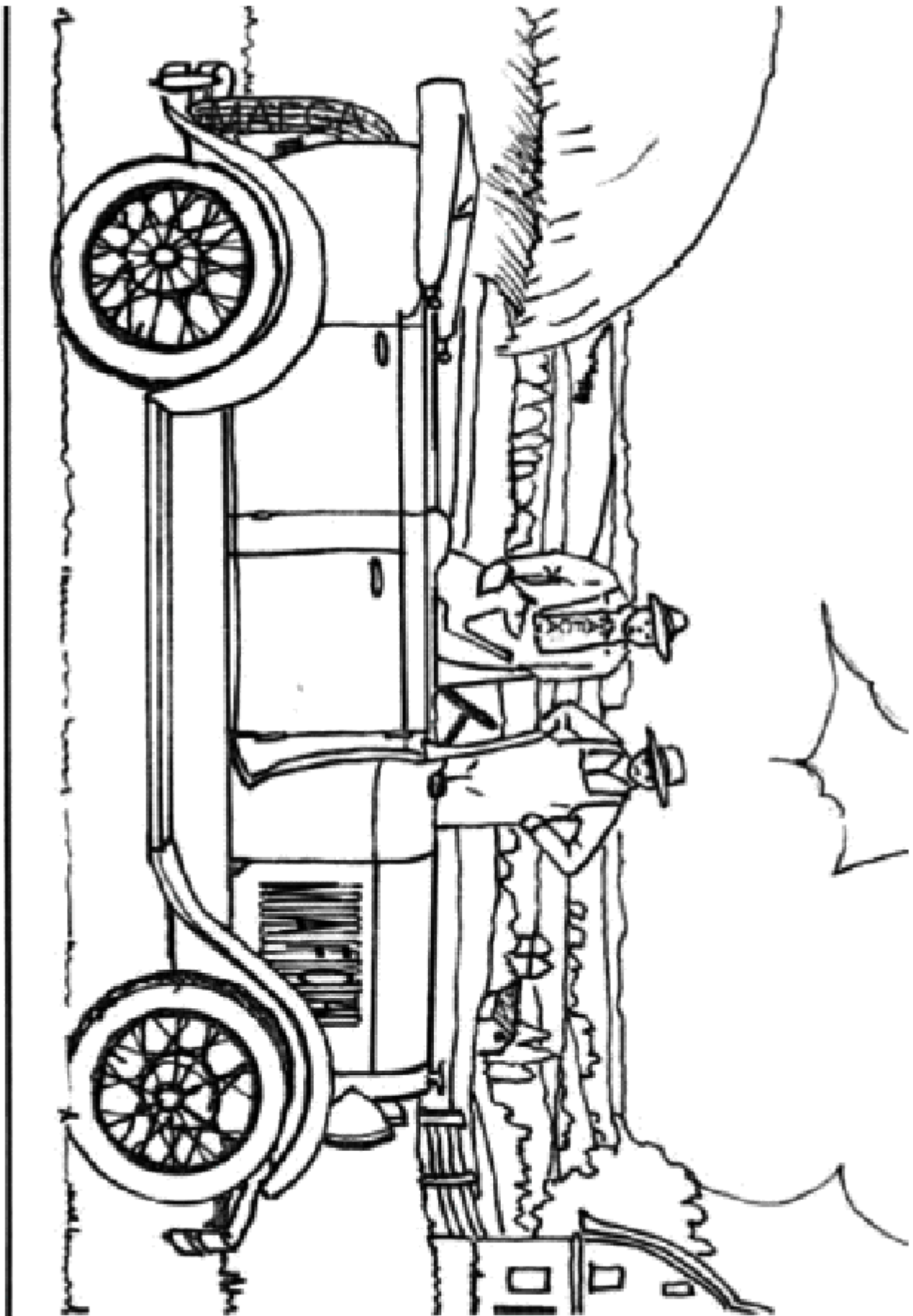
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M	O	D	E	L	A						
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Six different things:



Here's a 1929 Touring A for you to color!

If you like this, it's from the 2012 MAFCA coloring book that can be downloaded from MAFCA.com!





THE NEW FORD STANDARD SEDAN. LIGHT, BRIGHT, FINE FINISH. LOW FUEL CON. ECONOMY RIDE WITH SMOOTH, SILENT ROAD. FORD MOTOR FLUOR OF DETROIT, MICHIGAN COMPANY

Model A Ad

This is a great ad from the June 1931 issue of Life Magazine.

Looks like this family is headed to the circus with their new car. You can see the kid in the back, although I can't tell you if it's a boy or girl. I wonder if that was done intentionally?

The tents are a good clue as to what type of event it is, but the elephants are what really tells us at one glance that this is a circus!

National in Colorado

Did any of you make it to the National Convention in Loveland this summer? I hope you had as much fun as I did!

I'd love to see your pictures and hear your stories! And I promise to put them in A-World to share with everyone. Send them to:

AWorldEditor@hotmail.com



The Old Lady in the Mountains



A-WORLD MOVES TO ONLINE ONLY

At the last MAFCA Board of Director's meeting a difficult decision was reached regarding A-World. Due to the rising costs of publication and mailing, it was determined that A-World would become a web based publication only. The newest copy can always be found online at:

<http://mafca.com/aworld.html>

While I'm sorry to see the direct mailings discontinued, the plus side is that on the web, the issues will be in full color! If you'd like a copy sent directly to you via email, just send a note to me at AWorldEditor@hotmail.com and I'll put you on my email mailing list!

Sherry Wink



I've had a busy summer! I hope you have also, including many rides in your favorite Model A. This year I've driven the Old Lady in 4 different states. Some, like Missouri, Kansas, and Nebraska are normal for me. But my trip to Colorado was an adventure.

My friend Loura and I trailered the Old Lady to the National at Loveland Colorado. What a great time! Her daughter Katy came along on her motorcycle. It was the Old Lady's first time in the mountains, although not mine!

I have to say the most exciting (translate this to scary!) thing that happened occurred on the Masonville Loop Tour, a drive over a back mountain pass. The Old Lady made it to the top, although she struggled a little bit (turned out the float on the carb was stuck, didn't figure this out until the next tour.) There I switched out of the driving seat with Loura. Halfway down the pass, we learned why you don't ride your brakes in the mountains! You guessed it, we lost them!

It was a scary few minutes flying down that road not knowing how we were going to stop, but luckily Loura thought to pull the emergency brake and got us slowed down enough to turn in a pull-over spot. When we finally stopped, the brakes were actually smoking! But all's well that ends well. Of course several Model A's pulled over to check on us and the pickup trailer was called.

The repair tent checked the Old Lady over, adjusted the brakes, and gave her a clean bill of health. And on the Grand Tour I took her out again, and this time had no problems on the trip! Going down hill, it was low gear all the way!

There were a few other setbacks, but nothing we couldn't handle after that first trip! A flat tire at the hotel was solved by a call to AAA. And when the starter Bendix went out as we were loading her up to go home, we just pushed her and popped the clutch. Nothing to it! We're now experienced Road Trippers and I hope to do more in the future!

Quiz Time



Take a half sheet of paper. Number 1-10. Name at the top right corner. If you share this A-World with others in your family or friends, make sure you do not write on the newsletter pages. There are two ways to take this quiz: 1) Not looking back 2) Looking back as you take the quiz to find the answers. Try the "not looking" way first!

- 1) Why did Larry not want to go back to school?
A) Math B) Teacher C) Shoes
- 2) What was the brand name "Moonbeam" advertising?
A) Pies B) Flashlight C) Signal Finder
- 3) What brand of shoes is now better known for it's tires?
A) Firestone B) Goodrich C) Both
- 4) How old is John Duden now?
A) 16 B) 17 C) 19
- 5) Which family has snow in their picture(s)?
A) Jones B) Smith C) Johnson.
- 6) What will cause the tragedy in camp ?
A) Skunk B) Sister C) Wolf
- 7) Which year car is the brochure for?
A) 1928 B) 1931 C) 1929
- 8) What's a fun way to display your models and awards"?
A) bumper B) trunk C) Radiator shell
- 9) What event in Colorado did your editor recently attend?
A) a Regional B) a National C) a Local
- 10) What Model A is on the coloring page this issue?
A) 1931 Victoria B) 1931 Coupe C) 1929 Touring Car!

Answers: 1) C, 2) C, 3) C, 4) C, 5) C, 6) A, 7) B, 8) C, 9) C, 10) C
