

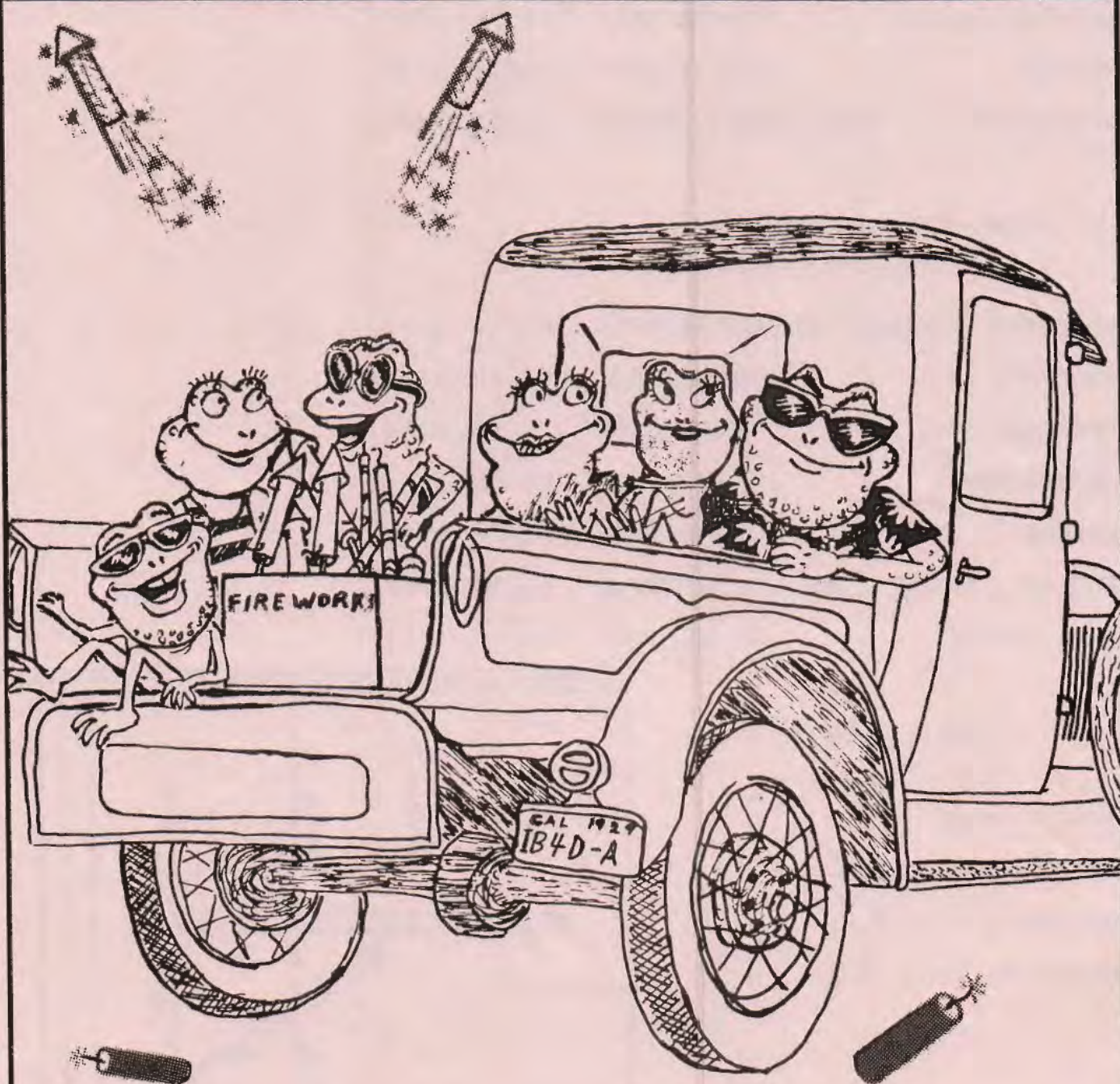
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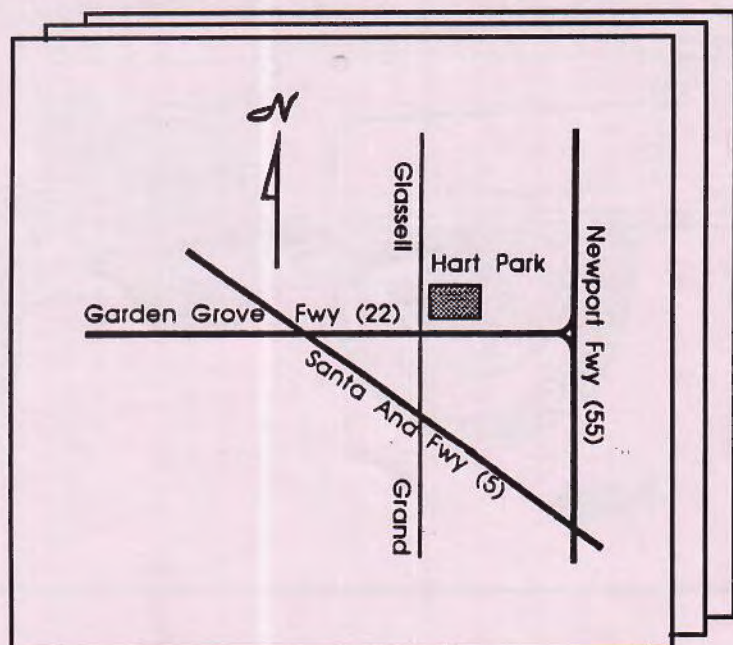
GENERAL MEETING

JULY 8, 1993

POTLUCK @ 6:00 P.M.

MEETING @ 7:30 P.M.

LOCATION: HART PARK



THE PREZ SEZ

by Lou Spielberger
President



Inadvertently at the June General Meeting we passed out Mileage Patches incorrectly. The ones with the black edge are for drivers mileage and the ones with the orange edge are for passenger mileage. At the July 8th meeting we will straighten this out. Bring your patches and trade for the correct ones.

August 15th is our big Beach Party. It will be held at the same place as usual, Doheny State Beach. Join us there at group picnic site #6.

Don't forget the September meeting, we will have a White Elephant Auction. Bring your unwanted items for the auction.

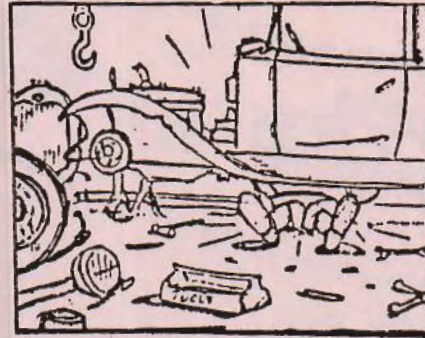
THANKS

from Peggy Bloom
Chuck Bloom
Jeanne Bloom

To all of our good friends: One seldom realizes what good friends one has until it's time to leave. To all of you who came to say goodbye and wish us well we say a heartfelt thank you. We shall miss you. Visit us at our new digs:

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IN THE GARAGE



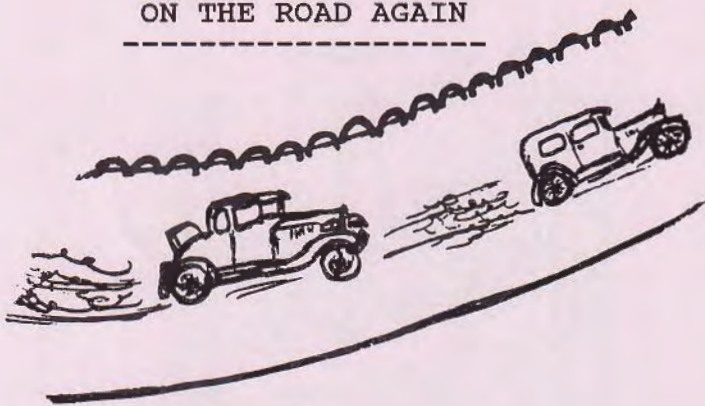
by Terry Lucas and Paul Steed,
Technical Director

The June safety seminar was another big success. We had twelve cars including two right hand drive Argentina A's. A couple of new members brought their cars for inspection also. Among the problems found and fixed were front end alignment, cracked intake manifold, timing, carburetor repair, loose lug nuts, steering adjustment, rewiring and a number of other adjustments, repairs and diagnosis. It was fun for all involved and a few new friends were met. These seminars are great fun -- don't miss the next one!

The July seminar is a true "don't miss" event. We will be learning the basics of body work, including dent removal, welding, and filling. We will view the metal work video offered by the MAFCA national and then do some hands on repair. Bring your stripped fender and we will help you straighten it out. We will also have a striping demonstration by Glenn Johnson.

The July seminar will be held at the Lucas' home, located at 12651 Overbrook Dr., Santa Ana, on Saturday morning July 10th, 8:30 A.M. Come join us!!!

ON THE ROAD AGAIN



by Wayne Krug

Saturday, June 5th:

RESTORATION SHOP AND HISTORICAL HOME TOUR.

Saturday morning we all awoke to the sound of rain on the roof. Being the proud owner of a fair weather Ford; it was into the modern and off to Bob and Karyn Sitter's Model A garage sale where there were great bargains for everyone who braved the wet weather. The next stop was Randy Emma's restoration shop in Orange where there are a number of Dussenbergs and other classic cars in various stages of repair. Randy was very gracious in letting us tour his facility. I would like to thank Glenn Johnson for arranging this and the tour to Santa Ana where 5 Model A's made the very wet trip from Orange to see some beautiful homes from the 1920's, 30's and 40's in their original condition with era furnishings to match.

The tour to the Orange Empire Railway Museum was a wash out; as we had planned to travel along Temescal Canyon and Railroad Canyon roads. I will try to reschedule this tour for sometime in the Fall.

The August Tour will be a short drive down the Coast to Carlsbad where the Antique Car Club of America will be holding their Grand National Meet at Pea Soup Andersen's Best Western Hotel. This meet is free to the public and always brings out the best antique and classic cars and motorcycles in the country.

WHAT'S HAPPENING!



By Roger Aday

SPECIAL EVENTS

Well, Buena Park Mall finally came through. They called and requested five cars for an antique and collectable show they are having from July 1st to the 5th. After a few frantic phone calls I had rounded up all that I needed. Thanks to those who helped by showing their cars.

SUMMER TOUR

For those who are going, it's getting close. For those who are not going we will miss you. Speaking of the Summer Tour, I have got to get back to the garage and finish a few things on the car and a few things around the house I promised Chris I would do before I left. Catch you later.

ON THE ROAD AGAIN

I want to apologize for the mix-up with the mileage patches. Please bring them to the next club meeting and I will exchange them for the correct ones. If you can not make it to the next meeting you can mail them to me for an exchange.

* MONTHLY MEETING PLACE *

For the months of July and August we will be meeting again at Hart Park. A potluck will start at 6:00 P.M. If your last name starts with A-G, bring a salad. If H-O, bring a main dish. If P-Z, bring a dessert.

HARD LUCK TROPHY

The HARD LUCK TROPHY for June was awarded to Glenn Johnson. He had a distributor failure which progressed to more exotic problems. It usually is not necessary to change your oil if your distributor fails.

Jim Nichols came in a close second in the voting with a failed water pump.

FREE TOOLS !!

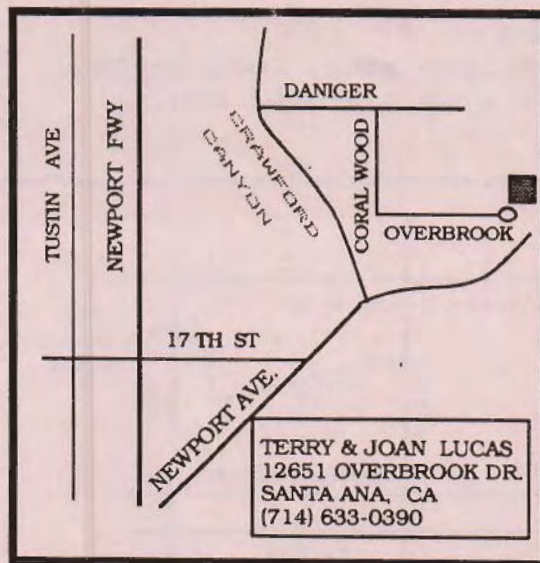
Our club has purchased and has received from donations a number of special tools for helping you repair and restore your Model A.

Unfortunately a number of these tools have been borrowed and not returned. Please return our club tools so that the full membership may use them. If you have any of the following club tools, or know where they are, please call Terry Lucas at 714-633-0390. In the future the technical director will keep a log on club tools to keep track of where they are.

Frame spreader
Rain gutter bending tool
Rear spring spreader
Tools for removal of dents in cowl band
Engine stand
Distributor reamer
Steering ball installation tools
Tow bar

TERRY'S TIPS

Certain areas of you Model A require special paint if it is going to last. When repainting your carburetor, cast iron sediment bowl (on firewall) and engine splash aprons, be sure to use "hot fuel proof dope paint". It is available at most hobby shops. For the carburetor and sediment bowl use flat or dull black paint and for the engine splash aprons use gloss black. The dope paint will not be effected by exposure to gasoline. When painting your brake drums and muffler be sure to use high temperature resistant paint. It is sold in most hardware stores, frequently used for painting barbecues. It will hold up much better than regular paint in these areas.



TECHNICAL SEMINAR MAP

CALENDAR OF COMING EVENTS

July, 1993

7-1 thru 7-5

Buena Park Mall Car Show

7-1 Thursday

Planning meeting for Summer Tour.
7:30 PM at Roger Adays House.

7-8 Thursday

Monthly General Meeting, Hart Park
Potluck Dinner at 6:00 PM, meeting
to follow.

7-10 Saturday

Monthly Technical Seminar, amateur
body work. 8:30 A.M. Terry Lucas'
house. Also pinstriping by Glenn.

7-11 Sunday

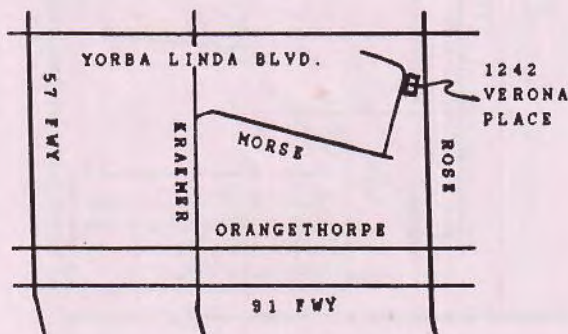
Poker Run, hosted by Paul Steed.
Depart Mall of Orange, 9:30 AM

7-16 thru 7-24

Summer Tour.

7-31 & 8-1

Model T Swap Meet, Long Beach
This is always a good one.



ROGER ADAY'S

BOARD MEETING MAP

AUGUST, 1993

8-7 Saturday

Mileage Tour, Antique Car Club of
America, grand national car show at
Carlsbad. Leaving Mall of Orange
at 8:00 A.M.

8-8 Sunday

Mileage Tour, Surprise Brunch Tour.
Call Roger Aday for info.
714-993-4558

8-12 Thursday

General Meeting, Hart Park

8-14 Saturday

Technical Seminar, rear ends &
overdrive. Tiger Motors, 8:00 A.M.

8-15 Sunday

Annual Beach Party, Doheny Beach.
9:00 till ?????

8-19 Thursday

Board Meeting, 7:30 at Jim Willett's
house.

SEPTEMBER, 1993

9-3 Friday

Technical Seminar, headlights and
stainless polishing. 7:30 P.M. at
Terry Lucas' house.

9-9 Thursday

Monthly General Meeting, Santiago
School. 7:30 P.M.
White Elephant Sale.

9-10 to 9-12

Mileage Tour, Model A Summer Camp-
Out. Hurkey Creek, near Lake Hemet.
\$10 per car per night.

9-16 to 9-19

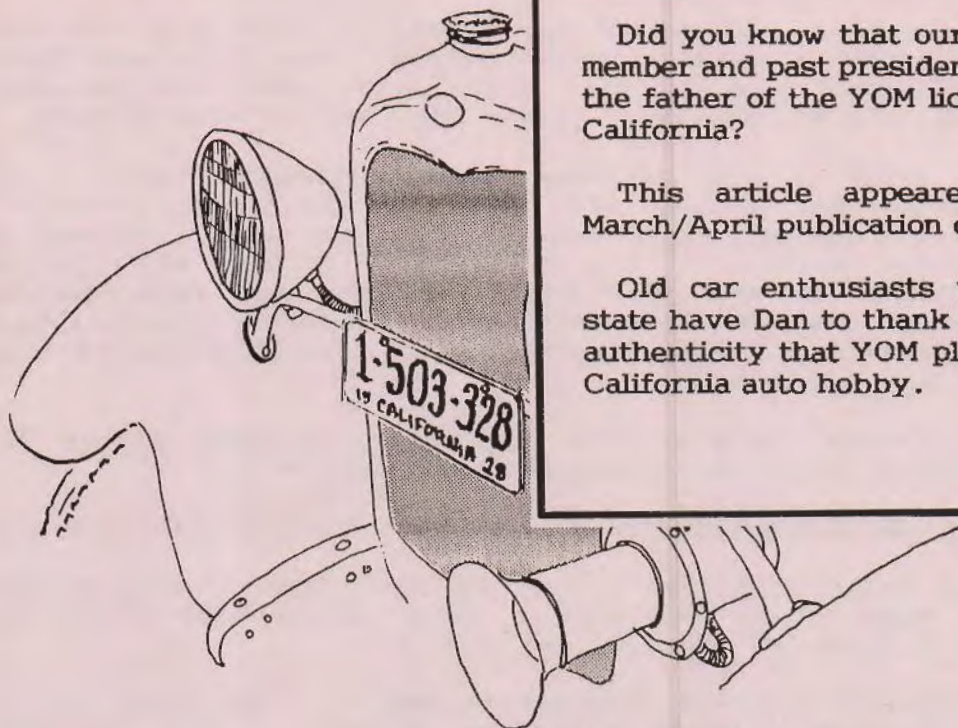
Rim of the World Tour.

9-25 Saturday

Afternoon Progressive Dinner.
Three stop eat-and-drive tour.

California's New Y.O.M. License Law

by Dan Simmons - Huntington Beach, CA



Did you know that our own fellow club member and past president Dan Simmons is the father of the YOM license plate law in California?

This article appeared in the 1983 March/April publication of *The Restorer*.

Old car enthusiasts through out the state have Dan to thank for that touch of authenticity that YOM plates bring to the California auto hobby.

-AHOOGUH

Editor's note: California has recently enacted a vehicle license law which will permit antique vehicles to be legally registered with license plate from their year of manufacture. This story tells how the new law came about and what it will mean to Model A owners.

I got my Model A by selling one car and taking the "A" as part of the payment. When my wife and I first saw it, we wanted it.

The car was being stored in the corner of a factory. It had character (at least it had us two "characters"). There it was, a little stake bed truck - all red, including the fenders, headlights, etc.

My wife and I, not knowing anything about Model A's, or any old cars for that matter, thought we'd take it and have a little fun with it. Then we could sell it.

After getting it home, we started researching it. The more we found out about it, the more things didn't seem right. We eventually discovered it was not supposed to be a truck at all. Instead, it was supposed to be a 1928 Fordor sedan (60-A)! Someone had cut and welded it into a truck.

This put us on the trail for Model A parts. Swap meets turned out to be one of the best sources. At one swap meet (the big one at the Rose Bowl), I picked up a pair of 1928 California license plates still in the original Department of Motor Vehicles envelope. I wouldn't be able to register them to my car, but still couldn't resist buying them.

During the first year of restoration the plates would keep entering my mind. One of my best "finds", and I couldn't use them on my Model A.

After talking to a customer of ours, Rep. Robert Badham

(R) of Newport Beach, we were advised to get in touch with our local assemblyman, Dr. Nolan Frizzelle (R) of the 73rd District. We found that Dr. Frizzelle was a man who not only liked antique cars, but would listen to my idea. This contact produced AB2187, an Assembly bill presented to the Calif. State legislature. The bill would make it legal to register the year of manufacture (YOM) plates to an antique auto. For example, 1928 plates could be used on a 1928 car.

I then asked for and received the support of the Association of California Car Clubs (ACCC). ACCC president Win Burkhart, and lobbyist John McLoglin then helped to maneuver the bill through the Assembly, and State Senate, and to (then) Governor Jerry Brown's desk, where it was signed into law.

Now, any California auto hobbyist with a car 25 years old or older will, as of July 1st, 1983, be able to file application with the D.M.V. to register YOM plates to the car. The only catch is, there must be 2000 applications by Dec. 31, 1984 for the law to go into effect. Since there are approximately 137,000 eligible cars in California, the odds are pretty good! You can also apply through the ACCC as of January 1983. (Note: It is recommended that interested owners apply through the ACCC, since they will hold the applications until the necessary 2000 are received. In the event the number is not reached and the law does not go into effect, fees paid to the DMV would be forfeited.)

After three and a half years, my Model A is completely restored down to the last detail, the license plates. Our Model A has given us some great challenges, each having its own reward. Along with working on a great car, I have met some even greater people. Thanks to all who helped!

BOARD MEETING

by Wade Roberts
Secretary
June 17, 1993

The meeting was called to order at 7:34 p.m. at the Spielberger's home. Those present were Lou and Pearl Spielberger, Jim Willett, Roger Aday, Jin Nichols, Paul Steed, Jim Khalaf, Terry Luoaas, Don Tune and Wade Roberts.

Lou detailed all calendar events through August. In September our meetings will return to the elementary school and our seminars will return to Friday night instead of Saturday morning. The Progressive Dinner will be on September 25 and will start earlier for more daytime driving. Parrish, Tune and Aday will host. There will be a \$10.00 per car charge for the Summer Campout while the Club will pay the balance.

Jim Nichols reported that the order has been placed for pennants, t-shirts, aprons and the Club Banner.

Secretary's minutes were read by Wade Roberts and approved.

Terry Lucas requested a list of club tool inventory that will be supplied by Don Tune. Does anyone know where the engine stand is? Call Terry.

Jim Khalaf gave the Treasurer's report. The Board agreed that there will be no refreshment kitty.....the Club will pay for all refreshments at meetings.

Roger reports that the Buena Park Mall wants 5 Model A's for July 1 - 5. Next year on Father's Day they may hire us to put on a car show for them. Malls require that cars have drip pans, tape around the gas caps, bags around the carburetor and pads under each tire. Roger and Don are working on the art work for coffee mugs. There will be limited production of one design each year.

Roger suggested that the Club retire the Jack Payton Member-of-the-Year Award and replace it with the Jim Marsh Memorial Award. The Board agreed and Roger will have the new trophy made up.

ACCC....is it a viable organization representing our Club's interests? Larry Conkol will be invited to the next board meeting to give the Board an overview of ACCC.

Terry asked where the Club's video tapes are. Paul Steed has them. The next *Distributor* will contain "Terry's Tips". Meeting adjourned at 9:12 p.m. The next Board meeting will be at Roger Aday's on July 15.

General Information:

Annual dues are \$37.00. This includes: Local Chapter dues, National Model 'A' Ford Club dues and the Association of California Car Club dues. Also you will receive the club's monthly newsletter, "The Distributor" and the Bimonthly "Restorer" Magazine from the National M.A.F.C.A.

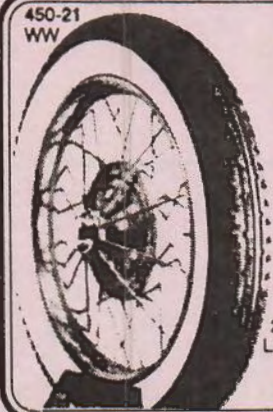
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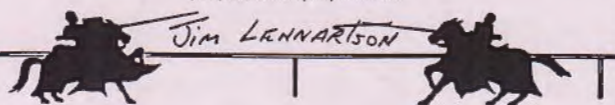
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