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First Pictures of the New Ford Car
Get complete details **TOMORROW** at Ford salesrooms

Five years ago we have been working on the new Ford car. For weeks and months you have been hearing rumors about it. For the past few days you have been reading news of the details of it in the newspapers.

What you do not know is that we have shown pictures to get the full story of the new automobile.

You will realize that this is a car that has been developed and created to meet modern conditions and to give you the most complete and different Ford car designed and created to a high price.

Automobile history will be made tomorrow for the new Ford car only one appearance and performance... it is a new mechanical design. Many features of it are exclusive Ford developments. There are exclusive Ford developments in the new car which are not to be seen in any other car of the same class.

Development of new machines, new manufacturing methods, and new production economies that are as remarkable as the car itself.

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Every purchaser shares the benefits of the established Ford policy of saving or controlling the source of raw materials, of selling millions of cars at a small margin of profit and of constantly giving greater and greater value without greatly increased cost.

As Henry Ford himself has said: "We make our own steel—we make our own glass—we mine our own coal. But we do not charge a profit on any of these items or from these operations. Our only profit is on the automobile we sell."

There are good and substantial reasons, therefore, for the enduring quality that has been built into the new Ford car for its low price.

When you know the joy of driving the new Ford car you will not be disappointed under all conditions—when you study its reliability and low cost of up-keep—you will know that it is not just a new automobile—it is just a new model, but the advanced expression of a new idea in modern, economical transportation. There is, indeed, nothing quite like it anywhere in design, quality and price.

FORD MOTOR COMPANY
Detroit, Michigan



Modern Automobile

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Put the Ford Truck on your pay-roll



Ford platform bodies and dump bodies are used extensively in highway building, general construction and excavation work. In addition Ford dump bodies are used for hauling coal, coke and garbage.

Changes Made on the Model A During 1930 and 1931

STEERING COLUMN—increased 1 inch in length and the steering column bracket was shortened $\frac{3}{8}$ in. to provide easier steering and handling (February, 1930).

ENGINE SUPPORTS (rear)—redesigned and made of heavier gauge metal. The bolts used with the new supports were $1\frac{17}{32}$ in. long instead of $1\frac{7}{8}$ in. long as had been true formerly. (March, 1930).

STACK FASTENER STRAP—used to hold the top in place when it was folded—was furnished as standard equipment on all roadsters. (March, 1930).

BRAKES—the brake drums are now rolled instead of being ground as formerly. Rolling the drums produces a surface which considerably minimizes the possibility of scoring. (March, 1930).

BRAKES—the adjustment for the parking brakes has been discontinued. It was found that the wear on the brake was so slight that it was unnecessary to provide any adjustment other than that of the original installation at the factory. (March, 1930).

COUPE—cross Cobra grain artificial leather is now an optional trimming for the Coupe. This leather is similar to that used in the open cars. It should be particularly attractive as trimming for Coupes used exclusively for business purposes. (March, 1930).

DeLUXE COUPE, DeLUXE SEDAN AND TOWN SEDAN—trimming material for all these cars is changed. Hereafter the trimming will be in brown mohair or deep tan Bedford cloth. The purchaser has the option of either cloth. There is a dome light in the DeLuxe Coupe. (March, 1930).

STEERING GEAR—steering ratio has been changed from $11\frac{1}{4}$ to 1 in the old gear to 13 to 1 in the present gear. (March, 1930).

SPARK PLUG GAP—increased from .027 in. to .035 in. (May, 1930).

WINDSHIELD WIPER—changed from electric to vacuum type on open body models. (June, 1930).

TIRE COVER—two pieces metal design finished in either black enamel or black enamel and chromium plate became available as an accessory. (June, 1930).

FUEL TANK—(Part No. A-9002-C) was replaced by a new tank (Part No. A-9002-E). The gasoline line used with the new tank was redesigned because the sediment bulb was removed from the front of the dash and was replaced with a filter bowl attached to the carburetor. (May, 1931).

The Sis-Q A's, of Siskiyou County, California, is a chapter of
The MODEL A FORD CLUB OF AMERICA



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The Model A Ford Club of America is a non-profit corporation of California and a national historical society dedicated to the restoration and preservation of the Model A Ford automobile as manufactured from 1928 through 1931

Mark Your Calendar

Monday, Sept. 14th, 10:30 a.m. – Monthly Business Meeting at the home of Bob and Ann Noel, 2234 Owens Way, Hornbrook (Owens Way is off Ager Road, north of Montague) Call the Noels if you have any questions at 475-3744

I've been thinking...

We're only a few weeks out from the Autumnal Equinox, and the sun is rising and setting at, what I would consider, more reasonable hours. The weather is still quite hot, and when the wind is from the south that heat is accompanied with varying amounts of smoke, drifting in from who knows where exactly, giving the atmosphere a brown, foggy tinge. Walking back to the house, one evening recently, I noticed that the D-shaped moon looked like a slice of orange, and on really smoky days the sun becomes a red disk the closer it is to the horizon, and you can stare directly at it.

Any week now, we should start to feel the change of seasons, the subtle shift from summer to fall. We'll probably get our first frost before the month is out, but for now, most plants and flowers and trees are still happily growing at a steady rate. Our vegetable garden is chugging along, and, by necessity, Nancy has discovered some new and exotic ways of preparing fresh cabbage.

If you haven't already, get out there and pick some blackberries, because summer is never complete without a warm blackberry cobbler - with vanilla ice cream on top, of course. Something I've frequently thought about, but have never done, is to bring a step ladder to pick some of the higher-up blackberries, or simply lay it down on the vines and walk on it to get to those ripe ones you can see way back in there. Either way, blackberry picking is one of those exercises that cannot be hurried; it forces you to slow down. If you find you are muttering "ouch" more than once a minute, you're going too fast. The "art of the pick" includes other variables such as recognizing a ripe berry by sight (they have a slightly dull appearance) and by touch (they are soft and detach easily from the vine). Unquestionably, the perfectly ripe blackberry is known only by its flavor - which is why a good picker will sample as he goes and when finished, has purple fingers *and* purple lips.

Some of the virus restrictions appear to be easing in *northern* Northern California, as cases here are relatively low. The state is allowing schools restaurants, and other businesses "up here" to reopen with certain guidelines in place. We'll see how it goes, but until things return to normal, we'll try and move our meetings around to outdoor settings while the weather is still good. The Noel's have offered to host the September meeting at their home on Black Mountain. Bob and Ann will provide some light refreshments. Hope to see you there. - RG





**We'd most certainly
like to wish You
a very Happy Birthday!**

**Gary Smoot, Sept. 18th
Richard G., Sept. 23rd**

CHANGE

Change is the handmaiden Nature requires to do her miracles with. The land that has four well-defined seasons, cannot lack beauty, or pall with monotony. Each season brings a world of enjoyment and interest in the watching of its unfolding, it's gradual, harmonious development, its culminating graces – and just as one begins to tire of it, it passes away and a radical change comes, with new witcheries and new glories in its train. And I think that to one in sympathy with nature, each season, in its turn, seems the loveliest.

*From **Roughing It**, by Mark Twain*

Bob Lindsay Memorial Update



Altha Lindsay writes:

Dear Sis-Q A's Members,

My sons and their families join me in expressing gratitude and thanks for your generous contribution in establishing a memorial for Bob in Etna. It is beautiful! We all went to view it when they were here for my birthday. It made the day even more special!

A special thanks to Cindy Hammar and Ann Noel! I understand they dealt with the local Etna Beautification Committee to make it happen. Once this Covid-19 thing is over and we can resume our normal lives – I would like you to come to my house for brunch, a valley tour and to visit the park and Bob's memorial!

*Thanks again,
Altha Lindsay*

Excerpts from
The Ultimate Book of Useless Information
by Noel Botham & The Useless Information Society

A bird has to fly at a minimum speed of eleven miles per hour to be able to keep itself aloft.

A starfish doesn't have a brain.

Armadillos and humans are the only animals that can get leprosy.

Termites eat through wood twice as fast when listening to rock music.

The only insect that can turn its head is the praying mantis.

People spend four times the amount on dog food as they do on baby food.

The ferret was domesticated more than 500 years before the housecat.

Every year the earth becomes about twelve tons heavier because of meteorites landing on it.

Venus is the only planet that rotates clockwise.

Water, which boils at 212° F at sea level, will boil at 150° F at the top of Mount Everest.

Banging your head against a wall burns 150 calories an hour.

There are 450 hairs in the average eyebrow.

Women blink twice as often as men do.

Men get hiccups more often than women do.

Lightning strikes about six thousand times per minute on the earth.