

A Ford Feature

No feature of the new Ford car has been the subject of more enthusiastic approval than its riding qualities. To persons accustomed to ride in a car in the so-called light or medium weight class, the degree to which the Model A absorbs road shocks and resists side sway is little short of unbelievable.

It is possible to explain the new car's efficiency in these respects in a simple, non-technical way.

The transverse, semi-elliptic springs of the Model A are heavier, stronger, and more flexible than those used on any previous Ford car.

One of the chief essentials in riding comfort is a high proportion of sprung weight and a low proportion of unsprung weight. Sprung weight is all the weight suspended by the flexible ends of the springs; unsprung weight is the dead weight below those flexible ends. It follows that the higher the proportion of unsprung weight, the more powerful and violent will be the road shocks delivered against the frame, body, and motor of the car, and the more difficult to absorb.

Some semi-elliptic springs rest on their middle, or heaviest and thickest portions, below the line of sprung weight. Thus, the weightiest sections of the springs themselves form part of the unsprung weight, adding to the size of the "hammer" and the power of the blows dealt by the highway against the body, frame and motor of the car.

In Ford design, the traverse springs rest on their flexible ends, with their heavy mid-portions uppermost, in which position they form part of the sprung, or cushioned weight.

Aside from the question of weight, the transverse spring contributes again to the comfortable riding qualities of the Model A.

The ordinary car is pushed forward by way of the rear axle and the rear springs—the rear springs actually serve as driving members! The front halves of these springs must therefore be made stiff enough to serve this purpose, and their flexibility, which enables them to perform their cushioning function, is reduced in a corresponding degree. Moreover, in order to be efficient driving members, their front ends must be fastened firmly to the frame of the car. This means that the lengthening of the spring as shocks are encountered must be entirely toward the rear, for only the rear end of the spring can have a shackled and hinged mounting. As the spring flexes, therefore, the rear wheels are moved backward and forward, and neither a constant nor a uniform wheelbase can be maintained.

In the Model A the rear springs serve a cushioning function only. The care is pushed forward through the torque tube and radius rods, which carry the thrust to a point well forward on the chassis. Both ends of the springs, therefore, are shackled and hinged, and all leaves are as flexible as their efficiency and cushioning members require. The flexing of the springs has no effect on the length of the wheelbase whatever.

In addition to the special spring design, the Model A Ford has as standard equipment a very fine type of hydraulic shock absorbers which add materially to the smooth riding qualities of the car.

INTERESTING OLD LORE RELATED BY HERBERT SEAWELL

General Sherman Charged With Removing Carthage Corner Stone and Disrupting Land Titles.

PRAISE FOR JUDGE ADAMS

By H. F. SEAWELL, Jr.
Few people know the real facts about the county seat of Moore county, Carthage is a town three miles long and approximately 100 yards wide. Going east and west you might recognize the fact that you were in a municipality, but if you went too fast north and south you might miss it.

Since quite a few tourists and other "foreigners" from "up north" congregate in Moore county to relax and have a good time, it would seem appropriate that they should hear a little "inside report" now and then concerning the "Capital."

Carthage has value. Not cash value, however. It is on the order of Dean Guiley's reference to Chatham County, North Carolina's foremost instructor in the law used to say: "Chatham county is a good but a poor county." Carthage is a good town but a poor town. Not too poor but just poor enough. The real value of the town is its historical value; and for old-time characters, real honest wit and good old Southern humor, it is rich beyond comparison. If Will Rogers knew Carthage and the stories attached thereto, he'd build a permanent residence on the banks of the old McLendon's Creek and get a copyright on the entire situation, and if the D. A. R. had in their possession all the facts and circumstances in regard to this little town's part in the Revolution, they'd buy out Tyson & Jones Buggy Factory and move national headquarters here.

A Famous British Visitor
A former president of the United States used to live in Carthage and operate a tailoring business here, and probably in connection therewith "ye olde tyme pressing club." At first he was considered nothing but a brag about, but since Judge Win-

ston wrote his big book about him, people are beginning to realize that he was truly a great president.

Cornwallis was passing through Carthage one evening, trying to enforce stamp acts and other outrages, and decided to spend the night. He camped at Colonel Glascock's house, just beyond the town cemetery. Colonel Glascock was a first cousin of George Washington and several families in Carthage are direct descendants of the Colonel, and many of the old timers in all sincerity and seriousness often refer to our first president as "Cousin George."

This town also played a leading role in the Civil war, and many of our old soldiers today will tell you if it hadn't been for their personal guard over Stonewall Jackson he'd have been killed the first year of the war; and without their advice to General Lee, Richmond would have been captured in less than three weeks. It was during the Civil war that many of the Carthage boys were engaged in the battle of Seven Pines. The next day mothers were getting the news of the killed and wounded and many were in tears and greatly worried. One mother, however, seemed very cheerful and attended her household duties singing and going her way rejoicing. She was approached and asked why she was not worried as she knew her son was in the battle. She stated that she had no fear at all; that she knew it was the battle of Seven Pines, but even if there was only one pine there she felt certain Charlie was behind it. Later on Sherman passed near Carthage, and out of pure meanness and just for devilment, he moved the old land corner stone and the "Capital" of Moore has been swamped with lawsuits to quiet title to land even unto this day.

Heroic Jim McConnell
James Rogers McConnell, of the LaFayette Escadrille, was a resident of Carthage. It took eight German airplanes to bring him down. The Republic of France awarded him practically everything except the Eiffel Tower. His monument stands at the west side of the courthouse square.

The best judge on the supreme court bench in North Carolina today, is a resident of Carthage. The town had a candidate for governor at the last election, but being on the Republican ticket in North Carolina is equal to the same thing as being on the Democratic ticket in Pennsylvania. Although Hoover jarred the faith of the fathers there remains three fundamental beliefs of a North Carolinian and particularly a Carthaginian, namely: Hell, Calomel and the Democratic Party.

So if the county seat has this much history attached to it, without even mentioning the "house in the horseshoe," and all these events and misdemeanors having taken place around our "Capital" city, it seems fitting that the stranger who is within our gates should have some means of apprehending his whereabouts and realize that he's walking around near something besides good sunshine, fresh air and poor sandhill land. While Paul Revere didn't ride through this little town in the small hours of the morning and wake us out of the usual Carthage snore, David Fanning of Revolutionary fame, or someone he was after, did jump a horse over a sixty foot precipice into Deep river and we believe it was a better trick. So, if it pleases you, Mr. Editor, we hope you will give us a little space every week to tell a few anecdotes, let the general public in on some large reports and detail a few incidents which have taken place in your "Capital city." We'll start about the year 1620 and come on down to 1929, for, as the Rev. Billy Sunday would say, "the half has never been told."

MARRIAGE LICENSE
The following couples have secured marriage license here recently:
Henry Branson and Myrtle Dixon, both of Bennett; James L. Reynolds, Merry Oaks, and Clara May Cotten, of Truth, J. H. Smith and Callie Harris, both of Siler City, R. I.; John B. Turner and Oma M. Andrews, of Siler City; also Morris Foushee and Mozelle Farrington, colored, of Bynum.

GOOD CHAPEL TALK
The excellent chapel talk by Mr. Waters Monday morning was taken from 11 Kings, "Why sit we here until we die?" He developed the

Girl Friends



Stella Harper, 19 (left), and Catherine Wing, 24, were arrested at Los Angeles suspected of violating the Mann Act. Federal agents said Miss Wing had posed as the husband of Stella Harper for four years. The girls said Catherine made more money disguised as a man.

subject in a manner particularly described in the Bible were not in people. He said these poor lepers described in the Bible were not interesting because of their social position or anything of the kind but because of the decision they made. Young people are interesting and successful or unsuccessful because of the decisions they make. "Some of you boys and girls, boys especially, are standing idle, merely drifting."

Mr. Waters showed by concrete example that idleness and inactivity mean physical ruin and mental stagnation. The principal in a few forceful sentences tried to carry home to the boys and girls the fact that proper decisions will mean as much to them as it did to the lepers. "Why sit we here until we die?"—physically, mentally, spiritually.

DR. FRANK CRANE SAYS

The Art of Pleasing
Now that we are learning to do all sorts of things it might be well to devote a little attention to that most important art of all arts, the Art of Pleasing.
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Science you may learn out of a book. An Art takes practice.

It is not a sin or moral something we are talking about, but just common sense and expediency. You want people to please you; then learn how to please them.

Permit, therefore, a few hunches for inquiring minds on this matter. 1. Beware of egotism. In some form or other, that is what we dislike about everybody. Do not praise yourself, nor dispraise yourself, nor, in fact, talk of yourself at all. Habitual dispraise is a common form of disagreeable egotism.

2. Do not be tragic. Have a sense of humor. Most things do not matter. Nine things out of ten that are threatening disappear when you laugh at them. It is very disheartening to live with one who is perpetually tragic.

3. Cultivate a pleasant voice. Do not talk too loud, nor mumble so one cannot hear you, nor stir your words.

4. Be neat. Clothe yourself as well as you can afford. Do not have dark fingernails, frayed cuffs, towseled hair, nor unclean shoes. Keeping clean is not egotism, it is a due regard for other people's feelings. Clean your teeth. Beware of halitosis.

5. Write plainly, one letter at a time with comfortable spaces between.

6. Do not be argumentative. Why argue? Most things do not matter.

7. Observe the little politenesses. Say, "I thank you" and "If you please." Get up when a lady enters the room. Take off your hat when you meet a woman.

8. When you are slandered or abused, say nothing, as a rule. People can respond to anything you say, but it's hard to answer silence.

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HUNTERS YIELD LARGE REVENUE

Hunters of North Carolina up until Jan. 10 had paid \$166,000 in license fees, Wade H. Phillips, director of the Department of Conservation and Development, announced.

Total collections for the current year, the director said, are running about the same as for last season when there was about \$162,000 at the end of the year.

January is one of the biggest months for hunting, largely due to the influx of non-resident hunters who come to North Carolina in large numbers during this month. Although some of the hunting seasons have already expired, others have until March 1 to run.

The season for squirrel, deer and bear expires on January 15. The dove season expires Jan. 15. The

dove season has already ended. Raccoon, opossum and snipe hunting ends with the last of January; and mink, otter and skunk seasons are up till the middle of February. The season for Turkey, quail and grouse runs until the first of March.

LEE AND JACKSON HONORED BY SOUTH

Last Saturday, January 19, birthday of Robert E. Lee, was generally observed as a holiday throughout the South. Stonewall Jackson's birthday came on Monday, January 21, but as had been the custom for some years past the 19th was observed as Lee-Jackson day. It was a legal holiday in North Carolina. About the only evidence of the fact here was the closing of Page Trust Company.

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