## THE OOGAH BLAST

## **NEWSLETTER OF THE GOLD COAST REGION OF M.A.R.C.**

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**Calendar of Upcoming Events** 

Dates & Events in italics are of general interest featuring cars of all ages Details for each are at www.flacarshows.com/SHse.htm

September 22, General Meeting @ Golden Coral Restaurant

October 3, **Board Meeting**, 2700 S. Federal Hwy, Ft. Lauderdale October 9, Beach Blast, Deerfield Beach October 9, Fall Festival Car Show, West Palm Beach October 16, Lefty's Halloween Spectacular, Davie

October 19, General Meeting @ Golden Coral Restaurant October 22, Maroone Ford Benefit Show, Ft. Lauderdale October 29 Taste of Tamarac Car Show, Tamarac

October 30, Florida Aero Club Annual Breakfast & Car/Plane Show (a) Lantana Airport, 9Am to 1 PM

November 1, **Board Meeting** November 5, New Covenant Church Benefit Show, Pompano Beach November 5, Teamsters Picnic & Car Show, Markham Park November 10-13, Zephyrhills Fall Autofest, Zephyrhills

November 23, General Meeting @ Golden Coral Restaurant

December 4, Annual Christmas Party @ Deerfield Country Club December 4, Festival Flea Market Holiday Car Show

December 5, **Board Meeting** December 8, The Palm Beach Auction, Palm Beach Convention Center

December 21, General Meeting @ Golden Coral Restaurant

January 2, Board Meeting

January 8, 2012, 11<sup>th</sup> Annual Fords and Friends Meet, Lake Worth

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#### **GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING**

Third Wednesday of the month at 8:00 PM GOLDEN CORRAL (BACK ROOM) 2100 W. ATLANTIC BLVD. POMPANO BEACH, FL

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M.A.R.C. GENERAL MEETING PLACE GOLDEN CORRAL 2100 WEST ATLANTIC BLVD. POMPANO BEACH, FL 8 PM IN THE BACK ROOM

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#### Minutes Of The General Meeting June 15, 2011

Meeting was called to order at 8:02pm by President Mike Vitetta Mike led us in the pledge of allegiance Visitors: Michael & Chryl Retchin and Stavorus Moforis A motion was made by Audre Franz to accept the minutes of the May meeting as printed in the

Ooogah Blast and seconded by Allen Davis

Treasurer's Report was given by Mike Vitetta and accepted

Membership Report by Tony Spaich 61 families

#### **OLD BUSINESS:**

- **Two Georges at the Cove** went very well. Manager would like us to come back for any future shows, or holidays. Manager could not have treated us any better. Food was good.
- St. Andrews Estates South Show: NEW DATE: will be Thursday, July 14<sup>th</sup>. Wants 3 cars. Want to be able to put their clients in the back seats for a little drive around.
- June 19<sup>th</sup> Father's Day Mizner park on Federal Highway not be a club event. Trish has forms on this. A long day 9am 9pm. Meet SE corner of N. Federal Highway and NE 2<sup>nd</sup> street at 8:30am
- Holiday Dinner Trish will be looking into a new restaurant that is opening up July 1<sup>st</sup> that will be opening up in the Deercreek Country Club. 5<sup>th</sup> Ave Grill in Lighthouse Point \$22.50 per person, Max is 30 people.
- Received a nice thank you letter from the Milhouse Charity.
- Margate Parade Tony would like to have 10-12 cars show up. Handed out papers to fill out. 9am on Margate blvd and Rock Island rd. Meet before 8:30am ends at 12pm.

#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

- Jaxsons- Sunday, August 14<sup>th</sup> at 12pm
- **Promenade of Coconut Creek** under new ownership now waiting to hear if they are going to continue to have the show or not.
- Sunday, September 11<sup>th</sup> International Model A Day Jerry Pompano Lincoln Mercury Ford Dealership.
- Education- would like to do more in the club dealing with education for the kids. Mike Vitetta will be looking more into it, maybe get corporate sponsorship. Will make lesson plans to bring to the school. All agree to continue working on this. Will get a Federal Non-Profit Organization status.
- **Paim Beach International Raceway** Harold- Thinking about February when they have a Grand Prix or will have a Ford Day.
- **Suggestions:** Timed rallies; will be making a kit to hand out for some different things to do all you need to do is find a place. They club will have a kit already for you to take and use; Find a park to have a BBQ and some games
- **Business cards** are available to take and hand out. The website it wrong now but Mike has them.
- John Wurster passed away on Sunday the 12<sup>th</sup>. Saturday June 18<sup>th</sup> in the afternoon at 2:30 at Holy Named Church there will be a memorial. A book will be donated at the public Library. Also Jennifer will be sending the donation to MAFFI.
- A motion was made to have a cash donation to Frankie to buy materials to finish his car. Russ 2<sup>nd</sup> motion. John Ford suggested a donation of \$1,000 since the club has more money in the bank. Have to check the by-laws but there was a nonbinding vote passed for \$500.
- Auto Insurance: Stavorus Moforis has a '28 Ford Model A pick up truck which was built to race. His next car would be another '28 original. He would like to join the club and also use his resources to help the club. Promotions, donate trophies, help with the coloring book, etc.

Meeting Adjourned at 8:48PM

## From the President's Dash;

I'm writing you this after coming home from out International Model A Day breakfast at Shelby's. We had a fantastic turn out for the first event after our summer break. On the way there some members were reminded how to change a tire (me) and troubleshoot a lack of spark (Jerry), but all arrived on time to partake in good food and fellowship.

As the Florida driving season approaches we have events planned and others are in the planning stages: Chicken Picnic; Tune Ups and Tube Steaks; our All A & T Show; Father's Day in Misner Park and a few more.

I want to make a quick mention that John Ford is our Newsletter Editor now. He is following in the footsteps of Gwen Hammar who, after 18 years, is stepping down. THANK YOU GWEN for all the years of service to our club.

Along with our cars, tools and clothing of the period, there are other aspects of the hobby that you may want to look into to expand your Model A & T experience. There are all sorts of Model A & T ads found in old issues of magazines from the 20' & 30's. There are also accessories, driver's licenses, coins, stamps, replica toy cars and a whole bunch of other things that can be collected and displayed along with our cars. Look into it. I think you will enjoy the additional collecting of items of the era.

Several members have spoken with Stavos Moforis (he gave a talk at one of our spring meetings) about their insurance needs for home and car. I hear only great things about the coverage and price!! His business card is on our advertisements page this month.

Elections are coming up as we enter into our  $46^{th}$  year. Please step up to the plate and help the club as an officer or a board member.

So, see you at the meetings. Mike Vitteta, President

#### **New Members**

John & Maria Dolores, Boynton Beach, 561-738-8346, 1929 Tudor Bruce & Charlotte McGee, Davie, 954-472-4494, 1930 Roadster Stavros Muforis, Davie, 954-445-5542, 1928 Salt Flats Racer Michael Retchin, Cooper City, 954-443-9993, shopping for a car

## **International Model "A" day Event Report**

International Model "A" day was 9-11-11. The Ford dealership in Pompano Beach on Federal Highway was not able to accommodate us this year ....so the Board asked Allen & me if we could combine our Breakfast on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday with our own celebration of International Model "A" Day. We didn't have time to set up any advertising to have the Public informed. For such short notice we had a wonderful show of support from the club: Tony & Helen Spaich, Jerry Carbone, Roberto Vichera, Mike Vitetta Jr with Mike Sr. & Marie & Frankie, Joe Longo, Dick Rust & Audre Franz, Frank Lacava Sr.&Jr., Steve Peterson, Harold Fienberg, Eric Gompertz John Ford & Allen & Trish Davis. With Audre's camera John took pictures of all above members having a great time. The eleven cars parked outside of Shelby's attracted many of their customers and of course we answered all their questions and bragged about our vehicles. Getting our vehicles on the road and enjoying the ride was a great plus. One customer gave a general thanks to everyone at the table for keeping history alive and sharing with Shelby's customers our beautiful vehicles.

Allen & Trish Davis - Sponsors



#### From John Ford, the new Editor

It's a real privilege to become the new Oogah Blast Editor. Thank you for the opportunity to help promote our club and our historic Model A's. For those who are curious, while my last name is Ford, I am totally unrelated to Henry. It's been somewhat of a mild life long disappointment that I got over some time ago. No regrets, but it would have been nice.

The club owes Gwen Hammar, retiring Editor, a special Medal of Honor for the 18 years of hard work that went into putting the Oogah Blast together, getting it printed, stuffed into envelopes, sticking on labels, and then delivering it to the Post Office for mailing. In her early years Gwen used a typewriter. Remember those now antique machines? Each month Gwen would build the Oogah Blast into a bunch of typewritten and pasted up pages. She then had the Blast duplicated at Office Depot. Years later, former member Joe Walker, who had a print shop in Boca, took over as her printer. When Joe moved, Gwen went back to Office Depot, but was told they no longer did double stapling. So Gwen started using Staples and stayed with them right until this years. That's a lot of work and a lot of pages. During that time officers and board members have rotated in and out of positions. But, Gwen had the same club responsibility for 18 years! I'm guessing that might be a Gold Coast M.A.R.C. record. The club owes her a big time THANK YOU! If you see Gwen at the next or a future meeting, be sure to thank her personally for all your past Blasts.

Assuming the Editor position was easy for me as the founder and owner of 20 year old academic publisher BarCharts, Inc. The Blast and its photos are now assembled electronically over the course of a day or so and then sent to our high production Xerox color printer. It's a fast, eight foot long machine that can print, staple and fold our monthly 12-20 page Oogah Blast at the rate of one every ten seconds. From there it goes downstairs to our shipping department where envelopes are stamped electronically and then labeled, stuffed and sealed by hand. But, that's the easy part. The hard part is what our members do to make the Gold Coast MARC club possible. The real thank you goes to not only to those who attend our meetings, but also to our officers, Board members, and especially to our event sponsors and to all the members who attend our events with or without their cars. It's the participation and use of your historic and rarely seen car that gives back the most pleasure.

One addition to the Blast I hope to add each month will be a feature story about a member's car along with photos. This month's Blast story is about the amazing Miss Vicky which was originally published in the Blast in 1996. That's Miss Vicky on the front cover in an earlier stage of her life. What an incredible girl! The places she's been qualifies her as a club treasure! I'm sure you'll enjoy reading about this remarkable 1931 Model A Victoria. Miss Vicky is now owned by the lucky Alan and Trish Davis, who are two of our club's biggest supporters. Next month we'll have heart warming story from Harry Benedict about his grandson and their shared love for their blue Model A Roadster. After that, well, it's open. So if you have a story to tell about your Model A or T, postal mail or email it to me along with some photos and look forward to seeing it in all its historic glory in an upcoming issue.

I am really looking forward to the new A season. Let's have some fun filled weekends!

Thanks again for the opportunity to serve as your Oogah Blast editor.

John Ford - b jford @ yahoo.com - 561-495-9119

## **Father's Day Event Report**

The first Father's Day Event, June 19<sup>th</sup>, at Mizner Park, Boca Raton was a great success for the Property Managers/Owners. Beth Hendrick, the Marketing Manager sends her thanks to Dick Rust & Audre Franz, Bill Locklin & Sharon Russell and Allen & Trish Davis. She hopes that with more notice to the club that we will have a higher number of members from MARC next year. We arrived at 8:45AM and stayed until 2:30PM, when it just started to rain. Mizner Park is a perfect layout for a future car show for our club. Beth had photographers and interviewed some of us. There will be an e-mail sent to those of us who attended with a link to a video made for U-tube. At my request Beth is giving me a \$100.00 check payable to MARC for help and referrals I had given her. We attracted more people than any other club there. The show went on until 9:00PM. Many other vehicles new & old came and went so she had a steady flow of vehicles. Beth has asked me to have the club save the date, June 17, 2012, Father's Day for the 2<sup>nd</sup> Car Show.

You can view the show at www.youtube.com/watch?v=L5YitcYg408 Submitted by Allen & Trish Davis



Diego Mural at Detroit Institute of Arts depicting Ford's Rouge River plant Florida Aero Club Pancake Breakfast Sunday October 30, 2011 9:00 AM to 1:00 PM. Annual Pancake Breakfast sponsored by Florida Aero Club, Palm Beach Chapter A Free Big Band Concert, 15 piece band led by the famous *Ted Knight*.. Over 100 Antique Classic and Vintage Planes and Cars with Peoples Choice Awards". T-6 & Biplane Rides, Young Eagle Flights All for Free & No Parking Fee. Breakfast is \$7.00 for Adults and \$4.00 for Children. Lantana Airport (LNA), Exit 61 off of I-95 (Lantana Road), west. Contact Florida Airmotive, Inc. 561.965.6400 with any questions *There is no cost to show your car. Try to be there well before 9:00 AM to get the display spaces closest to the breakfast / band hanger. However you can come anytime. A display spot will be found for you.* 



Presents at Lantana Airport Florida Airmotive's Hangar #1401

## FLORIDA AERO CLUB PALM BEACH CHAPTER

Sunday, October 30, 2011 9AM-1PM

## 23rd Annual Pancake Breakfast

**Vintage Planes** 



**Classic Cars** 



T6, Stearman Rides Fly Bys Young Eagle Flights Ted Knight Big Band 20 Piece Full Orchestra



Sponsored By Florida Airmotive

Breakfast \$7.00 Adults \$4.00 Children

**Owen H. Gassaway Jr. Airfield** 



## Christine's on the Green Confirmed Reservation for M.A.R.C.

Date:Sunday, December 4th, 2011Event:MARCI Annual Holiday Plated DinnerTime:5:00pm - 8:00 pmRoom:GardensGuests:@25-40

#### <u>Dinner Menu</u>

Service at: <u>pm</u> Chilled Water with Fresh Lemon

<u>Salad</u>

House Mixed Salad With choice of Balsamic Vinaigrette or Ranch Dressing

Basket of Freshly Baked Dinner Rolls with Butter

#### <u>Entrée</u>

(Please choose one) Chicken Marsala Chicken Breast Sautéed with onions L mushroom in a rich Marsala wine sauce over garlic mashed potatoes Sliced Sirloin Steak Tender L juicy served with garlic mashed potatoes Macadamia Encrusted Tilapia a la O'range Pan seared tilapia served with Caribbean Sweet mash L Grand Marnier Orange Sauce

> <u>Accompaniment</u> Seasonal Fresh Vegetable Medley <u>Dessert</u> Homemade Tiramisu or Fresh Fruit Cup **Coffee & Tea Service**

> > Cash Bar

\$31.50 pp Includes tax & gratuity

Agreed to by: Trish Davis sig on file deposit received \$250cc\_Date: July22, 2011 Special Instructions: Registration Table L gift table. Podium L Holiday Decorations

## 1931 Model A Ford Runs 300,000 miles

#### Owned and driven by Club members Sheldon and Lee Lake.

You have all heard of the Copper Top Battery that keeps on going. Well, we have a 1931 Model A Ford Victoria, painted like a copper top battery and it just keeps on going. Yes, still going after 304,000 miles.

At first the Vickie was used as an every day driver. Driven through the New England States and most of the Southern States, it accumulated 76,000 miles before leaving for California.

In 1976 Vickie was driven from South Florida to Anaheim, California to attend the National Model A Meet. Our intention was to cover as many states as possible and it was then that we decided that this Model A was going to see every state in the Union. It was a case of a driven driver driving a driver and if that makes sense to you then read on. The trip across the United States was so enjoyable we were sorry it had to end. Vickie was left in California and several side trips were made, including one to Mexico. In the spring of 1977 the car was shipped to Hawaii.

1980 took the little Model A through Yosomite to Reno for the Reno National Model A Meet. After this meet we drove the car to Alaska, through Canada, down to Glacier National Park and then on to Yellowstone, Grand Tetons, the Grand Canyon and even climbed Pikes Peak. The car covered every state in the union before returning to Florida.

By this time Poor Vickie had worn out three engines and was over the 200,000 mile mark.

Since 1981 this car has been driven to model A National show in Dearborn Michigan, Toledo Ohio and Indianapolis Indiana. In 1992 the Vickie was shipped to Sydney Australia for their 12th annual National Model A Meet in Perth. For Four months we toured the Outback and the Coastal Area. Our trip to Australia logged 5200 miles before we shipped old Vickie back to San Francisco where we continued our trip across the country again. This time totaling 11,241 miles. Most of my driving has been done alone but the trip through Australia and the U.S.A. would include my wife Lee who was initiated into Model A Touring and loved it. How could a guy get so lucky?

In 1994 Vickie's rear wheels were backed into the Atlantic Ocean in Key West and after a drive to Tacoma Washington, her front wheels were dunked into the Pacific Ocean. We call this trip our Sea to Shining Sea Tour.

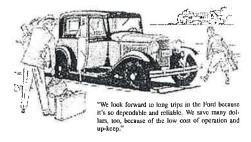
When we returned to Florida the Little Model A had clocked well over 300,000 miles and she still keeps going.

The car is on it's seventh engine change as engines are changed before each long journey.

Lee and I will be driving out to Colorado for the 1996 Nationals and then our next fun trip we plan to tow a small pop-up camper to Maine, Nova Scotia, New Brunswick and the Bay of Funde.

Our thanks to Chip Green who located the Model A for me, to Bob Scott who sold it to me and to the A.A.C.A. for all their hard work in keeping this wonderful hobby alive.

Sheldon and Lee Lake.





# The Ford-Zenith Carburetor

#### By MURRAY FAHNESTOCK

THE carburetor used on the new Model A Ford is a special "Ford" design of Zenith carburetor, which includes the experience and skill of the world's largest maker of automobiles and, we believe, of one of the world's largest makers of carburetors. The new carburetor may be truly said to have been designed and developed especially for the new Ford car.

Correct mixing of air and fuel, for complete combustion at all speeds, is obtained through the Zenith principle. Fixed venturis supply the right amount of air. Fixed jets "meter" the fuel through the driving range. A fixed idle jet measures the gasoline required for idling.

Since the metering parts are all fixed, this carburetor once right will stay right. It is only affected by dirt or water. Occasional cleaning will insure uninterrupted service.

The care of the new Ford-Zenith carburetor may be summed up in two word: Keep it "clean." And don't "tinker."

Since the adjustment of these Ford-Zenith carburetors is correct, according to tests made by experts, and as there are no moving parts in the carburetor in any way affecting the mixture, it is 'reasonable to assume that any trouble which may arise can only be caused by dirt and water in the carburetor, by tampering with its setting, or in some other part of the engine.

The dash adjustment does not control the entire fuel supply. A small amount of fuel is constantly drawn from the float chamber, through small fixed openings, even when the dash adjustment is fully closed.

The method of adjusting the carburetor for ordinary driving conditions, is to turn the carburetor adjusting button to the right, in a clock-wise direction, until the needle just seats. Then turn the button back one-fourth of a turn off its seat. Running with the adjustment more than one-quarter turn off its seat may be necessary on new, stiff engines. But otherwise this will result in poor economy, carbon and crank case oil dilution.

The dash adjustment may be turned less than one-quarter turn off its seat, to obtain a lean mixture suitable for high altitudes, high-test fuels, or when driving at steady speeds on level roads. Under normal conditions, however, too lean a mixture causes uneven running at low speeds and slow pick-up.

Use care in making this adjustment, as turning the needle down too tightly will result in the point of the needle becoming grooved and the seat enlarged. With these parts scored, it is difficult to obtain a proper adjustment of the carburetor until they are replaced.

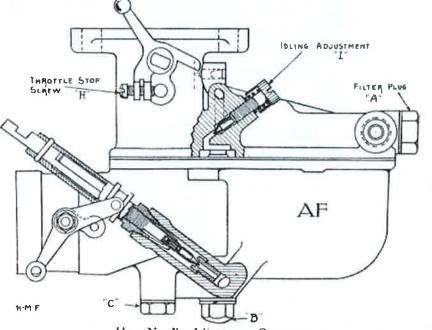
DASH ADJUSTMENT

THE dash adjustment serves both as a choker for starting, and as an adjustment for varying the richness of the mixture.

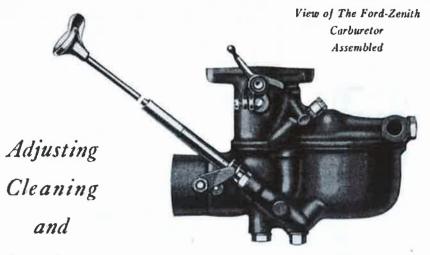
For quick starting. Open the dash adjustment one full turn. If engine is cold, pull back choker. Release choker button the instant the engine starts. The added fuel supplied by the needle adjustment will be sufficient for continued running.

For warming up, the button should he  $\frac{1}{2}$  turn open.

As engine warms up, the button



How Needle Adjustment Operates

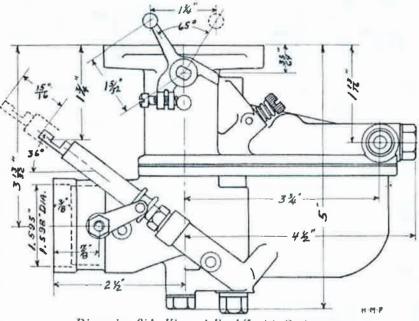


#### Servicing

should be turned in a clock-wise direction, until it is approximately 1/4 turn open, for traffic driving and maximum power, at normal running temperatures.

For cross country driving at sustained speeds, the dash adjustment may often be kept fully closed. in a "rich" mixture. A lean mixture has too much air and not enough gasoline. A rich mixture has too much gasoline and not enough air. A rich mixture causes excessive carbon and overheating. It also wastes fuel.

The general rule is "keep the mix-



Dimension Side View of Ford-Zenith Carburetor

For economical driving, reduce the quantity of gasoline in the mixture by turning the adjusting button to the right as far as possible, without reducing the speed of the engine. This is particularly true when taking long drives, where conditions permit a fair rate of speed being maintained. This practice does much to account for the excellent gasoline mileage obtained by good drivers.

Turning the carburetor adjustment too far to the right results in a "lean" mixture. Too far to the left results ture as lean as possible-without sacrificing the power of the engine."

The fuel nozzles have been purposely worked out so the mixture will be too lean at low speeds and under normal conditions, if the needle adjustment (controlled by the dash button) is entirely closed. This is to allow for special fuels and altitudes.

New and stiff engines may require opening the adjustment as much as three-eighths or one-half turn for smooth, low speed performance and good idling. For maximum economy in crosscountry driving, the adjustment should be fully closed. But with standard fuels, it will be necessary to open the adjustment one-quarter turn for smooth operation below 15 miles an hour.

#### COLD ENGINE STARTING

**F**1RST: Open hand throttle lever two or three notches. Fully retard the spark lever. Turn carburetor dash adjustment one full turn to left.

Second: Turn on ignition. Pull back choke rod, at the same time depress starter switch. The instant the engine starts, release choke.

Third: As engine warms up, gradually turn dash adjustment to the right, until it is in its normal running position. Which is one quarter turn off seat, when engine is warm.

STARTING IN COLD WEATHER

THESE instructions are to aid starting at low temperatures, especially when battery efficiency is low and the engine does not turn over at starting speed.

First: Open throttle lever two or three notches. Fully retard spark lever. Open dash adjustment one full turn and crank engine two or three times with ignition OFF, and choke pulled all the way back. This will fill the cylinders with a rich mixture.

Second: Release choke and turn on ignition. Engine should start on second or third quarter-turn of the crank.

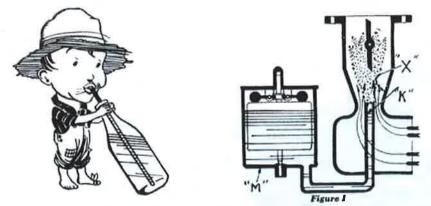
WARM ENGINE STARTING

HAVE spark control lever about half-way down quadrant, and throttle lever advanced two or three notches. Turn on ignition and depress starter switch. It is usually unnecessary to use choker when engine is warm.

COMPONENT PARTS

THE new Ford-Zenith carburetor is of the multiple-jet type. Ordinarily, there are but two jets in use in road driving. Though we might call this carburetor a "threejet" carburetor, if we wished to include the idling jet.

The longer, vertical jet "E" is the "main jet" and is connected directly with the fuel chamber. Its effect is most noticeable at high speeds, particularly at speeds of over 35 miles an hour. Lack of fuel at higher car speeds may mean that this jet is partially clogged. Do not, under any circumstances, enlarge the orifice in this jet in an attempt to get more speed, as it is now correctly proportioned for maximum speed and power.



How Main Jet Furnishes a Variable Supply

The "compensator," marked "F," is most effective at low speeds. The fuel in the bowl flows through this jet into the compensating well.

The "cap jet" is the slanting jet, which controls the rate of discharge from the compensator well into the air stream, and supplies fuel at between 15 to 35 miles an hour.

The function of the "idling jet" is to measure fuel for very slow running. When the throttle is open, the idling jet is put out of action, as the flow of the fuel then changes direction and passes through the cap jet.

The larger, or "primary venturi" measures the air through the carburetor, and keeps it moving fast enough, even at low engine speeds, to completely atomize the fuel. This is the venturi that fits into the upper half of the carburetor.

The "secondary venturi," which is marked "D", is an auxiliary air metering tube, surrounding the jets, which increases the air velocity on the jets to give quick response on acceleration. To SET IDLE ADJUSTMENT

FULLY retard the spark lever. Set stop screw "H" on throttle lever so that engine will run at a sufficient speed to keep it from stalling. Turn the idling adjusting screw "I" in or out, until the engine hits evenly without "rolling" or Do not expect a new engine, that is too stiff to "rock" on compression when stopped, to idle perfectly at low speed.

Idling adjustment is usually from  $1\frac{1}{2}$  to  $3\frac{1}{2}$  turns, depending on the engine and fuel. The correct setting of the adjusting screw is usually about 2 turns off its seat.

#### CLEANING THE CARBURETOR

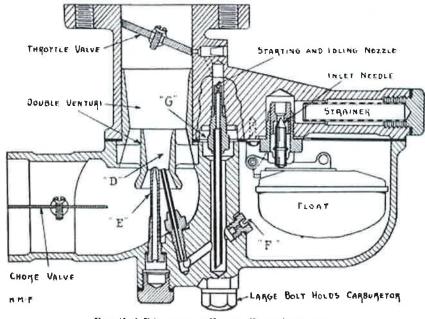
**R** EMOVE filter screen. Blow out any dirt with air, or rinse screen thoroughly in gasoline. The screen is easily removed by backing out the filter plug "A". Usually cleaning the screen is sufficient to overcome the trouble. Be sure to replace filter screen.

For complete cleaning, remove carburetor and disassemble it by removing the main assembly bolt "B". Separate the two parts of the carburetor carefully, to avoid damaging the gasket, float or idling jet tube.



Why Compensating Jet Feeds at a Fixed Rate

"skipping," Next back off the stop screw until the desired engine speed is obtained. This adjustment should be made with the engine warm.



Detailed Diagram of Zenith Ford Carburetor

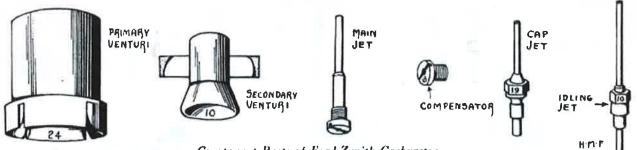
Remove brass plug "C" beneath the main jet, and rinse carburetor bowl in gasoline. Use air to blow out any dirt which may have lodged in the bottom of the bowl or in the jets.

#### How MAIN JET ACTS

LOOK at Figure 1. You will see that the main jet "K" is directly connected with the fuel chamber (F). Compare the fuel chamber to a bottle and the main jet to a straw. Now, if you put a straw down to the bottom of a full bottle, you will find that the harder the suction on the straw, the more liquid you will get. The suction of the engine will act on the fuel in the bowl through the main jet—the same as your suction on the straw acted on the liquid in the bottle.

#### How Compensating Jet Acts

NOW see Figure 2. You will see that "P", which represents the compensating jet, empties into the well "R", which is open to the air. The cap jet "S" connects with this well. Now let's compare well "R"



**Component Parts of Ford-Zenith Carburetor** 

to a glass, the compensating jet "P" to a bottle, and the cap jet "S" to a straw.

If you pour a tiny stream of liquid into a glass from a bottle, you can only suck out from the glass as much liquid as the tiny stream allows you —no matter how hard you suck on the straw. It is apparent therefore, that regardless of the suction at the tip of cap jet "S", only as much fuel will be drawn through it as is emptied into well "R" by the compensating jet "P".

As the flow through the compensating jet is constant, it follows then, also, that the flow through the cap jet is constant.

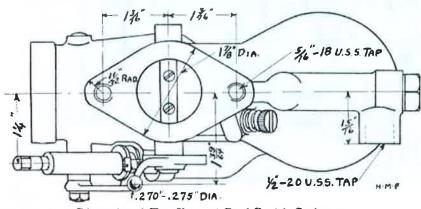
#### COMPOUND NOZZLE

N OW let's examine the diagram of a real Zenith-Ford carburetor. In it, we have figure 1 and Figure 2 combined.

Combining the first straw or jet (that gave more liquid under increasing suction); with the second straw or jet (which gives the same amount of liquid regardless of the amount of suction), and you have a compound feed or nozzle. This will permit the total flow of liquid to increase only within definite limits. By varying the size of the straws or jets, you can bring the rate of flow absolutely under control.

#### IDLING AND STARTING JET

This jet is an auxiliary to the two nozzles, and operates only when the



Dimensioned Top View of Ford-Zenith Carburetor

throttle is just "cracked" open. Cranking the engine causes a strong suction (above the throttle) which, acting over the idling jet draws fuel, and through the idling air valve draws air, thus forming the proper rich mixture for starting and idling the engine. Breaker contact points burnt or pitted—Dress points down with an oil stone and set gap at .015 inch to .018 inch.

Leaky manifold or carburetor connections—With engine idling slowly, flow a little oil on each joint. If engine picks up speed, there is a leak.

#### **TROUBLE SHOOTING HINTS**

Make certain there is gasoline in the tank, and a free flow of fuel through the line.

See that the secondary venturi is right side up, as shown in drawing. On complaint of lack of speed, see that main jet "E" is free from dirt.

A plugged compensator, "F" will result in poor idling and low speed performance.

The idling jet "G" furnishes all the fuel for idling. Consequently the tube and metering hole must be kept clear.

In case of leaks, see that all connections and jets are tight. If the float or fuel valve assembly are damaged, replace them.

On complaints of poor fuel economy, make certain owner understands proper operation of dash adjustment.

#### WHEN TROUBLE IS SUSPECTED

I N cases of suspected carburetor trouble, or complaints of poor fuel economy: First, check spark plugs, breaker points, compression, etc., before removing the carburetor. Many so-called carburetor troubles can be traced to one or more of the following causes:

Dirty spark plugs; points incorrectly spaced—Clean points and set gaps to .005 inch more than gap between breaker points. Poor compression — Check compression in each cylinder by turning engine over slowly with hand crank.

Brakes dragging-Jack up car and see that all wheels revolve freely.

Tires soft-Inflate all tires to 35 pounds pressure.

If the above points are all right, and there is a free flow of fuel through the line, then check the carburetor.

Water in the fuel line may freeze in cold weather and stop the flow of fuel. Use hot cloths for thawing,

The carburetor is a delicate instrument and should be handled carefully. Don't use strong-arm methods when taking it apart, reassembling or handling the various parts. With reasonable care, the carburetor will last indefinitely.

The letters "AF" on the bowl of a Ford-Zenith carburetor simply indicate a Ford Model "A" carburetor, for foreign use as indicated by the letter "F." For use in some foreign countries, the Model A Ford engine is made with cylinders of smaller bore. Consequently, smaller jets are used in the carburetors for these engines.



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To leave the earth with its troubles and fly, And know the warmth of a clear spring sky; Then back to earth at the end of the day, Released from the tensions, which melted away.

Should my end come while I am in flight, Whether brightest day or darkest night; Spare me no pity and shrug off the pain, Secure in the knowledge that I'd do it again.

For each of us is created to die, And within me I know, I was born to fly.

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