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MEETING ACHEDULE: 9:00 A.M.
Lunch and car talk 12 noon.
Location: Eagle Distributors
Clubroom, 99-1269 Iwaena, Halawa
Valley, (Last building end of Rd)

Meeting Dates:

July 15	Oct 7
August 5	Oct 28
August 26	Nov 18
Sept 16	

FEATURE PHOTO

Our feature photo this issue is a pair of mystery early headlamps belonging to member Harley Neff. The brand of the headlamps and make of car used on is unknown.

The headlamps are distinguished by the yellow glass lenses. They are not fog lights because the lamp shells have mounting brackets to fit the early fork type of bracket used at the time of the transition from gas to electric lights, about 1914-1915.

Can anyone solve the mystery?

PROGRESS REPORT ON THE
MODEL N FORD

The June 3rd club meet was held at Bob Gosh's country garage in Mokuuleia. Bob made new seat cushion frames for the model N. Jud Ihrig made a donation-below cost sale of real leather hides to upholster the model N. seats.

Tuffy Medeiros operating Bob's industrial Singer sewing machine made great progress sewing ribs into one of the black leather hides. When completed, real leather upholstery will give an important touch of authenticity of the period.

HISTORY OF HAWAII LICENSE PLATES

HAWAII

PRE-TERRITORIALS AND TERRITORIALS

Hawaii did not become a state until 1959, so technically, all previous issues are either pre-territorials or territorials. However, as with Alaska, collectors tend to attempt to complete their runs at least back to the point where the four Hawaiian counties consolidated their laws to produce a unified system. This consolidation occurred with the 1922 issue. Prior to that year, each county had its own system, with the counties of Hawaii and Honolulu having annual issues from 1915 to 1921. Motor vehicle laws were written in Hawaii as far back as 1903, and by 1911, laws mentioning the use of homemade plates were enacted. Only a couple of the homemade plates exist today in collections (one being a wooden Maui plate). Beginning with the 1915 issue, both Hawaii and Honolulu counties are at least partly well documented. Hawaii had dated porcelains in 1915 and 1916, embossed steel 1917 plates, and metal plates with unusually shaped metal date tabs (swordfish, automobile and surf rider!) from 1918 to 1921. Hawaii county had dated porcelains in 1915 and 1916, too, and steel plates from 1917 to 1921, though descriptions of the steel plates are incomplete today.

FIRST YEAR OF ISSUE

1959 (Territorials in 1922)

UNDATED ISSUES

1957, 1961 (1953 was an undated plate but was not valid without a 1953 metal date tab attached)

PORCELAINS

None

WINDSHIELD STICKERS

1943, 1944, 1945,
1957 through 1968

METAL DATE TABS

1953, 1954, 1955, 1956

SLOGANS

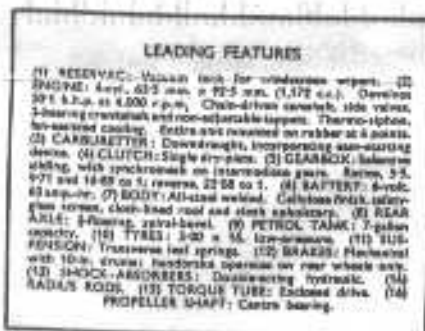
ALOHA was used from 1957 to 1960. After statehood, the 1961 base carried *ALOHA STATE*, and this slogan has continued through 1993.

GRAPHICS

On the 1922 and 1926 issues, the state name was embossed in a highly stylized design, suggesting a "South Pacific" look. The 1976 graphic was a particularly appealing design, with a red antherium at the upper left and a pale red image of a warrior, palm trees and Diamond Head screened lightly behind the serial. The 1981 base had a bright orange warrior's head in the center of the plate. The 1991 base had a pastel rainbow arching across the top of the plate.

OTHER FEATURES

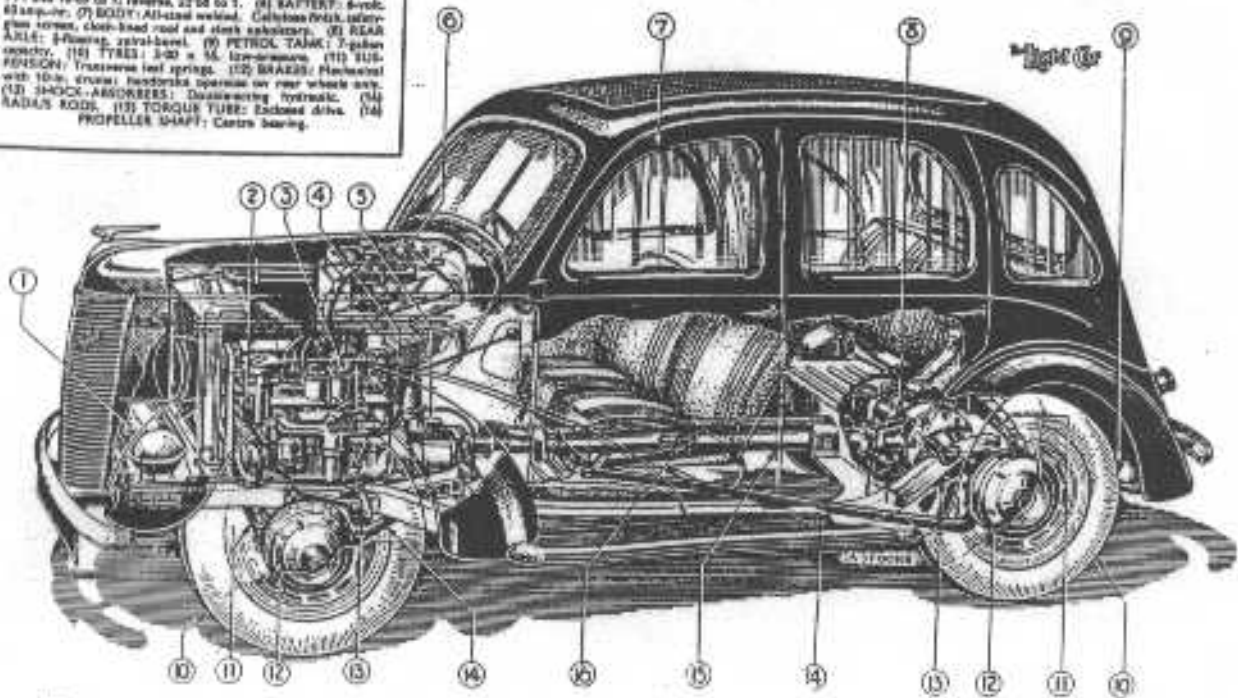
The 1953 base is undated. Rather than waiting a year to revalidate it, however, a 1953 metal date tab was used to make it valid from the beginning of the issue.



A Staff artist of "The Light Car" contributes the "Maximum Specifics" which declares in a simple and direct fashion the history—

1939

Features of the Ford Prefect



The tiny English Ford 4-cylinder car is shown here in a cutaway view. These cars are manufactured by the Ford factory in England. A very few have ever entered the United States. — Claver

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