

General directions for operation and care of models designated Special, Mercury, and Mascotte.

Do These Things Before Putting Car in Use

Fill Radiator with Clean Water

Strain water, if possible, through muslin or other similar material, to keep tubes free from dirt.

Fill Gasoline Tank

Always strain gasoline through chamois skin to prevent water and other foreign matter from getting into the carbureter. Be careful when filling the gasoline tank to extinguish all lamps, throw away your cigar, and make sure no naked flames are within several feet, as the vapor is extremely volatile and travels rapidly, and being explosive, is dangerous.

Fill Crank Case or Oil Tank With Oil

Directions on page 18. In Messenger Model just fill tank under hood.

Put Oil in Oil Holes. Fill Grease Cups and Turn Them Down. Consult oil charts daily until thoroughly familiar with oiling and greasing requirements.

Remember that a new car requires much more careful lubrication than one that has been run for some time.

The damage done by lack of oil can be repaired only by great expense.

It is assumed that before the owner attempts to drive, that he has thoroughly studied this instruction book, which gives detailed information as to oiling and general care of his car.

See That Tires Are Well Inflated

If you inflate your tires so that they carry 65 to 75 pounds of air it is safe to say that your tire bills will be reduced fully one-third. Keep tires free from oil. Oil has no respect for rubber.

Before Starting the Motor

See that the gear shifting lever A (see Figure 1) is in neutral position. That is, the second notch from the front end of the quadrant at the side of the car. When the lever is in this position the gears on the transmission case are not in operation. If the operator, through carelessness, has left his clutch engaged, no damage will be done provided the gears are in neutral position.

Retard the Spark Lever

That is, see that the spark control lever is thrown forward as far as it will go. (The spark lever is located at the right of the steering post). If the spark lever is not thrown forward, that is toward the front of the car, a "back kick" will result.

To Start the Motor

Turn the switch on the batteries. Push in the steering crank so that it engages the pin on motor shaft, then pull up on the starting crank; never try to start the motor by pushing down the crank, but always engage the pin on the motor shaft so that the