

AUTOMOBILE NEWS

ARMY MOTOR TRANSPORT TRANSCONTINENTAL TOUR TEST FOR OVERLAND 4

The 290 officers and men of the United States Motor Transport Convoy will be remembered particularly well by a score of towns and villages on the far western reach of the Lincoln highway. These communities count improved roads and new bridges among their gains from the convoy's pioneer expedition from Washington, D. C., to San Francisco. The nation's gain is a remarkable awakening of interest in good roads.

From Wyoming to the Rockies the army train knew no days of easy riding. The road conditions were the worst in years because of the unprecedented dry spell. It took a lot of hard driving and a deal of splendid direction by the officers in charge to maintain the average of 60 miles a day for the heavy trucks. The motor train was three miles long. Among the 72 trucks were some weighing fourteen tons with load. For their passage across streams, the army engineer company with the convoy had to rebuild 65 bridges. Fourteen of these bridges were rebuilt one day of the journey.

Two Months' Trip

Starting from Washington on July 7, the motor transport corps reached San Francisco on September 6. There a milestone was unveiled to mark the achievement of the first motor transport convoy to attempt a transcontinental trip. To each man was presented a medal approved by the war department. An unusual honor and courtesy came to four civilian drivers who made the entire trip. These men were the drivers of the path finding Willys-Knight touring car and the three Overland 4c which served as the scout publicity cars of the convoy. Colonel McClure, the expeditionary commander, included the four Willys-Overland drivers among the recipients of the medals for faithful, efficient and untiring service with the convoy.

BULL UPSETS A FORD BUT IT KEEPS GOING

Just why a particular bull grazing a side hill in Santa Ana canyon one day recently should entertain so sincere a dislike for a black Ford touring car is a mystery. He may have had gastritis or a bad liver, or he may have disliked all automobiles or all Fords.

Anyway, when the Harris family of San Pedro drove their Ford around the base of that side hill, Friend Bull snorted, slapped his tail at a fly, missed it, saw red, and for want of something better to do, decided to

engage the Ford in combat. There wasn't much of a fight. After the bull had turned the Ford upside down in the road, he was much better satisfied with himself and strolled into the shade of a nearby tree to view his handiwork.

The members of the Harris family had not been hurt seriously so they mobilized forces, rolled the Ford over onto its wheels, cranked it—and continued their journey.

CLEAN SPARK PLUGS SAVE YOUR BATTERY, SAYS WILLARD MAN

"The man who is too busy to clean his spark plugs is shortening his battery life." This is the opinion of Mr. Carpenter, the north shore Willard expert.

"Even though the engine is using magneto ignition the carbon on the spark plugs is putting unnecessary work on the battery. The engine must be turned over more rapidly in order to get a spark from the magneto and the battery has to do much more work for each start than it would if the plugs were clean."

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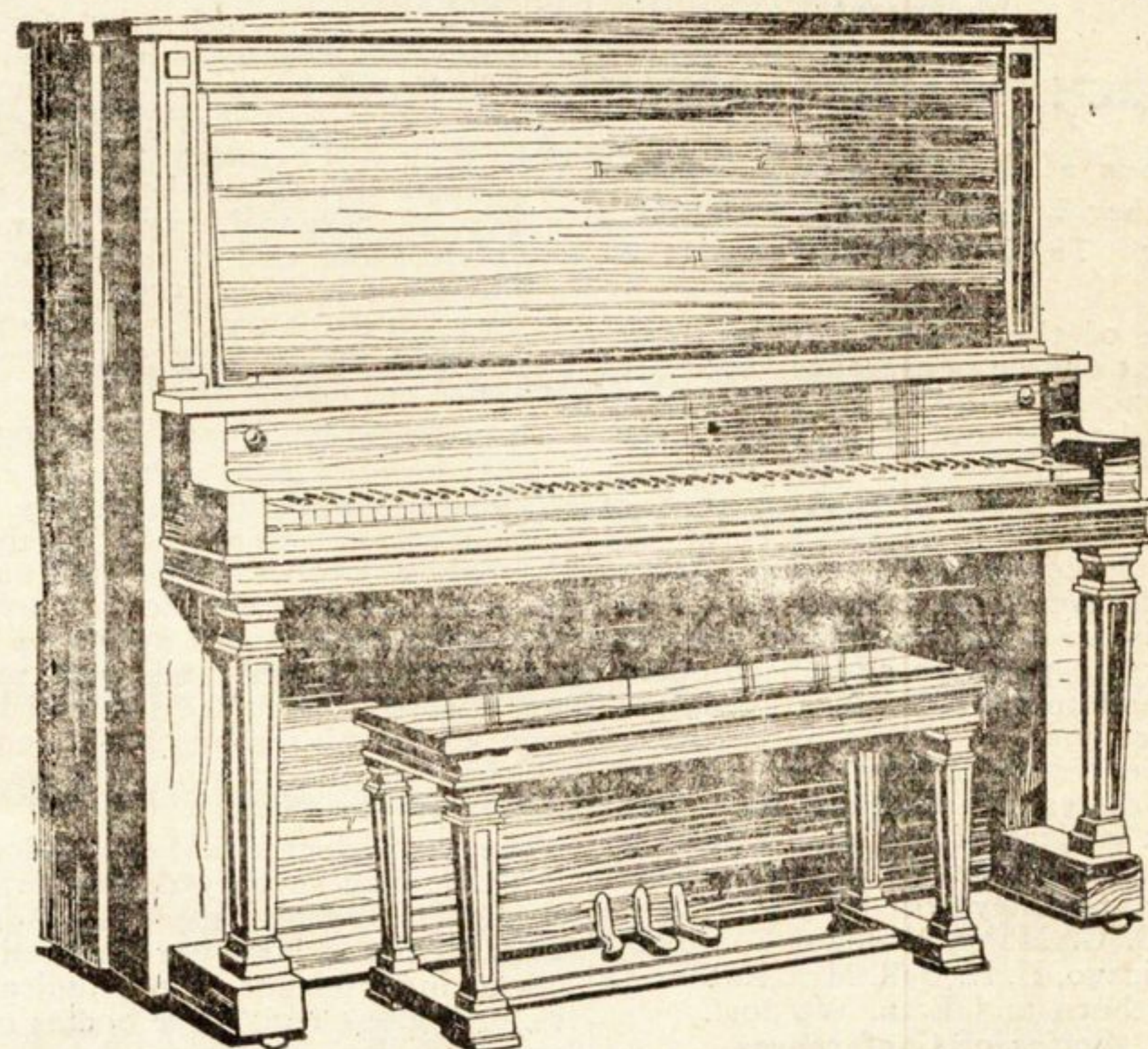
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