

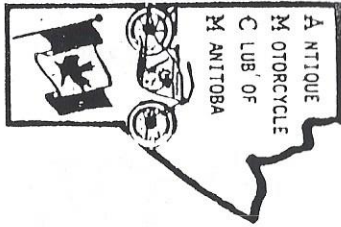
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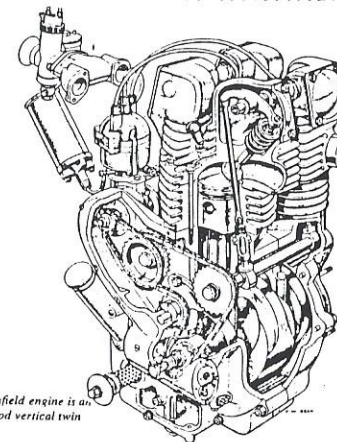
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## THE PRESIDENT'S NOTE

Winter is already here and many of us have a few projects to finish up for next year or start on a new project. I know for sure there will be a few more old vintage bikes on the road.

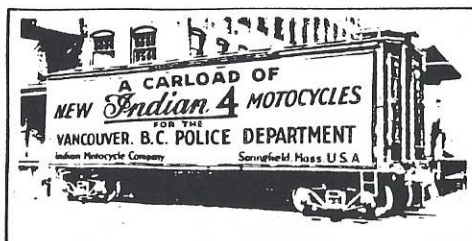
The Swap Meet on November 21st was a success which was put on by the Winnipeg Harley Riders Association. We had two tables for our club members and I saw many of our members finding good buys for their projects.

Remember, our December meeting is our election night and all members are urged to come out and vote your new executive in or become part of the executive.

I wish to thank the executive and members for a successful '87 season and everyone a Merry Christmas and may 1988 be a good and Happy New Year!

Take care and I will see you at our next meeting.

Siggi Klann



This 1931 carload was among many destined for delivery to police departments around the world.



EDITOR'S

MESSAGE

Well sports fans - this is your hero and mine-me with what amounts to my last column as editor of this rag.

Although I will still be part of the three person team (triplets?) that puts out the newsletter, this will be my last chance as fueher to ram through an unedited column- so I'm going to use it to full advantage.

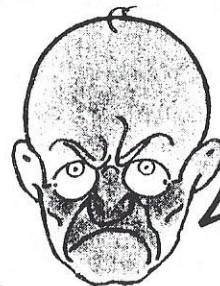
I took the position as editor only on the condition that Chuck and Sandra Murray were included in the package - I'm not as slow as I look.

As I quickly realized when they volunteered to help with the Ride for

Sight, - Chuck and Sandra Murray have a work ethic that makes the average Amish look like a slacker. (In fact the no TV business had me wondering until I saw the vast collection of motorized transport stashed around their rambling Charleswood estate.)

It's simple mathematics - normally if an editor of the newsletter had a couple helping him they would split the work 50/50, if he was lucky, with them doing 50% (25% each), and the editor doing the other 50%. With Chuck and Sandra, they insists on doing a full share each, 33 1/3% x 2 or 66 2/3%, leaving the editor with only 33 1/3%. This is where their work ethic comes in. They both automatically do twice as much work as they have to.

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THAT'S NOT FUNNY

What does it mean - "Yuletide Greetings" Lend me \$5 - you'll tide me over for a few days.

Are you sure this is Christmas morning?

If it ain't, I washed my socks for nothing.

AT CHRISTMAS TIME EVERY GIRL WANTS PAST FORGOTTEN AND HER PRESENT REMEMBERED

Well, Bobby, did you see Santa Claus this time?

No, Auntie, It was too dark to see him, but I heard what he said when he knocked his toe against the bedpost.

My wife hung my socks up and boy did I have a headache.

How could hanging up your socks give you a headache?

She forgot to take me out of them.

- What were all your turkeys doing out in front of your house?

- They heard some men were going to lay a sidewalk and they wanted to see how it was done.

RUMOR HAS IT CRAIG IS WANDERING THROUGH THE ZOO AT NIGHT LOOKING FOR CHRISTMAS SEALS.

- I want to buy a Christmas gift for my wife.

- Can I interest you in something in silk stockings?

- Well, Let's see about the present first.

"Wouldn't you be surprised if I gave you a cheque for Christmas, dear?"

"I certainly would."

"Well, here it is, already made out, ready for you to sign."



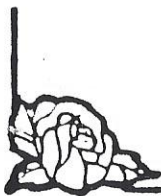


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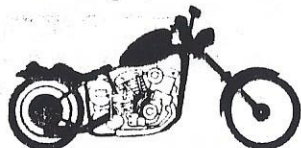
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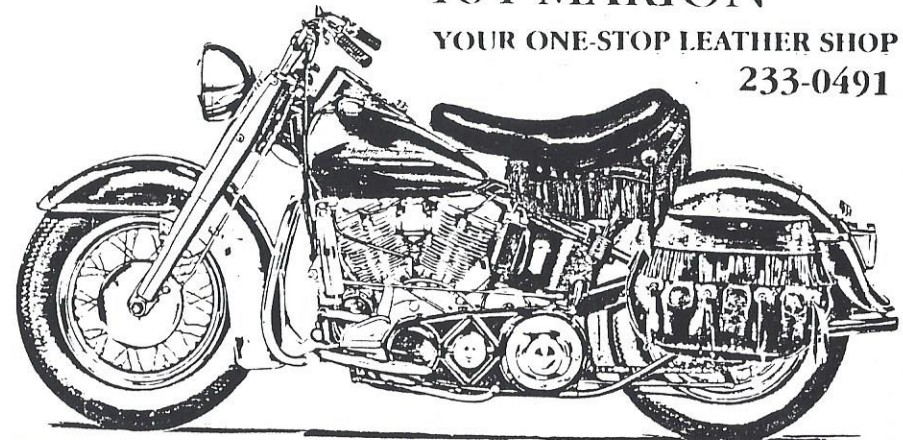
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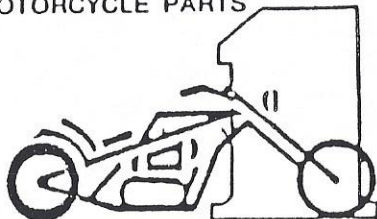
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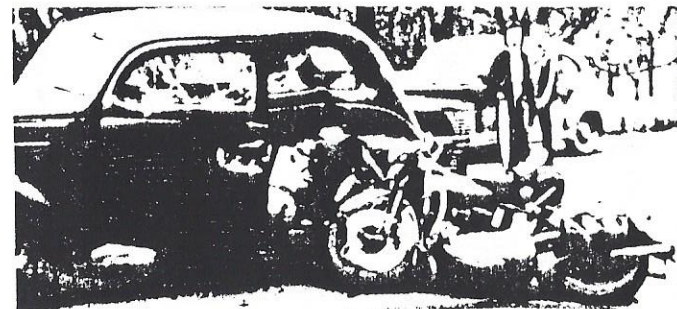


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THE BIG DIG  
(continued)

A trench was dug completely around the bike so they could get under it and lift it up the right way. This they eventually accomplished and gazed upon the object of their search. No rims, spokes or mudguards, several holes in the tank and a badly corroded alloy crank case, but otherwise appearing to be in reasonable order in spite of its twenty-seven years buried, as it was in 1936 that it was discarded.

The only hard work left was to carry it up the bank to the trailer, and this they did as Bill brought the tractor up from the creek on the flat surface of the paddock. Final thanks and goodbyes were said, and some time later they were back in town. A hose soon washed off the last of the mud and revealed the machine its glory.

During the week Glen dissected the bike and was quite pleased with what I found. The tank was of no further use, but as it's complete with all edges and corners and was a perfect pattern for a new one. The frame and forks appeared to be quite sound, apart from the usual rust pitting. Both wheel hubs could be used, together with the pedalling gear and various frame brackets. The magneto, exhaust pipe, muffler, handlebar levers, and carburetor were all in repairable condition. The engine had had it. The alloy crank case was corroded away completely and the fins on the barrel broke off at the slightest touch. Flywheels and the pistons were in good shape, together with some engine parts which were made of brass.

What was the bike:

- Approximately 500cc engine.
- Variable speed engine pulley (This could be an optional extra)
- Fully sprung leading link front suspension.
- Two-level Brown and Barlow carb.
- Magneto driven by double eccentric crank.
- External contracting rear brake operating on hub worked by cam action when back pedalling on pedals.
- Seat sprung by action similar to Indian and Harley-Davidson.

Yes it was the Minerva!

Some parts were found. Up to November 1965, no real further work was done to other family commitments, however, a venture of such mixed beginnings and varying fortunes must surely find its reward in complete restoration.

(Taken from the notes of SN Glen  
Bull of New Zealand (196?) supplied by  
Bert Bentley.)



A.M.C.M. INC. MINUTES  
NOVEMBER 30, 1987

The Meeting was held at Portofino's Restaurant, McGregor and Leila and was called to order by the President Siggie Klann. Jim Ross adopted the minutes from the previous meeting. Seconded by Chuck Murray.

There were 23 members present.

- EXECUTIVE REPORTS -

Treasurer - Irv Lowen mentioned the account stands at \$2,250. and there is not much happening.

Librarian - Jim Gold mentioned the new mags are in. Dave Johnson donated a Whizzer manual.

Activities - Dave Tissot said very little.

Editor - Chuck Murray said to see him for inserting want-ads.

Properties - Ray Houde will sell you anything he has. But please don't rush at him all at once.

OLD BUSINESS

So far there is no word on the 1988 motorcycle calendars.

Tiny Robins has some motorcycle Christmas cards at his shop.

NEW BUSINESS

The motorcycle show will be combined with a sport trucks this winter.

Nominations for Executive:

President - Siggie Klann  
Ed Maisey  
Craig Kraft

Treasurer - Craig Kraft  
Irv Lowen

Secretary - Joanne Butcher

Appointed:

Librarian - Jim Gold  
Activities - Craig Kraft  
Public Relations - Dave Johnson  
Editor - Chuck Murray  
Properties - Ray Houde

Next meeting December 21st is the "Election Meeting."

Tiny Robin's Christmas party at Tiny's shop December 19th.

A motion was made by Dave Tissot to see it we were going to have our next meeting at Portofino's. The motion was carried.

A motion was made by Chuck Murray to give properties manager the right to price out t-shirts and bring quotes to the executive. Seconded by Dave Tissot. Motion carried.

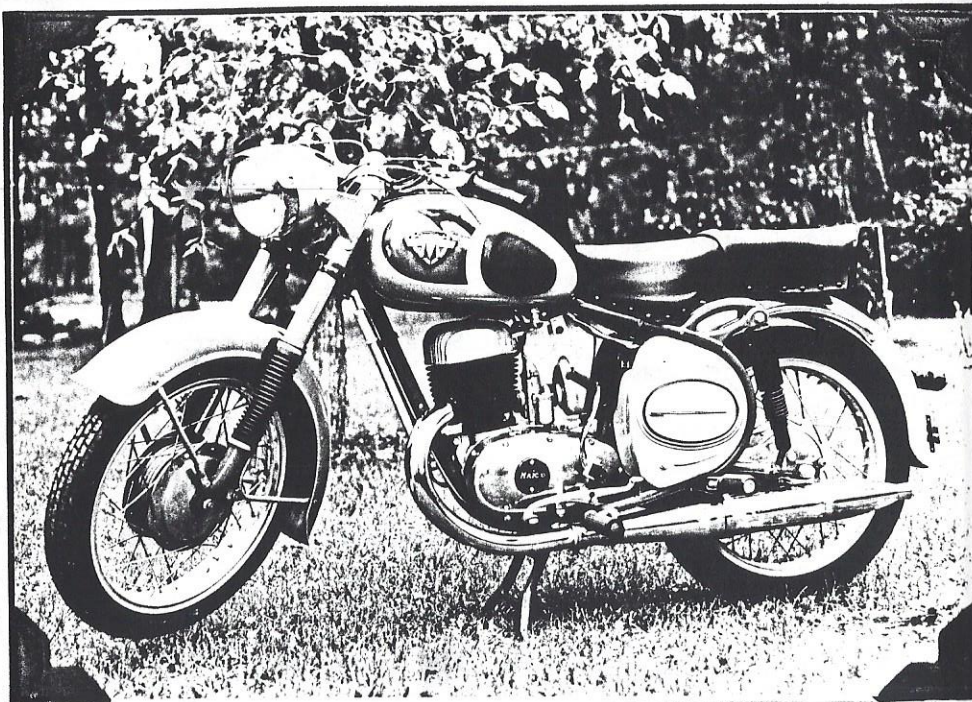
Irv Lowen reminds members that membership dues are due January 1st.

Technical Problems - Jim Ross is still looking for James parts.

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Tiny Robins. Seconded by Jim Gold.

Steve Sing, Secretary





## Z E R O   M I L E S

If we were to say "Have you ever heard of a 20 year old motorcycle stored away which never had gas in it?" You'd probably say. "Sure, I suppose the same guys who have those army 45's stored in their crates probably have it, too."

Well not so, pictured above is our 1967 Maico Blizzard. Yes, it has zero miles and has never experienced gasoline in it (its sure tempting). A German bike, it has a paint job original of its era which oddly enough looks like a home restoration job with its flat silver paint and hand pinstripping. We bought it home one winter day in blizzard so the name sure fits the bike.

Sandra Murray

### Technical Data:

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(Taken from the Maico Blizzard promo pamphlet).

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### PART 2

However, Mr. French and Bill were not to be put off by this, and decided to cut the trench back into the hillside from where the bike was thrown. Another hour saw the trench progressively moved sideways about three feet into the hill without any sign of the bike.

By mutual consent an adjournment was taken for lunch at this stage, and while Bill and his father disappeared in the direction of the homestead they sat down on the tractor and surveyed the havoc they had caused as they had their lunch. The rain which had been falling at all times during the morning started again and Glen thought of what he could have been doing at home instead of being on a "Wild Bike Chase!"

Jack however was more optimistic of their finding it, and after they had finished lunch he donned the detector headphones and began covering the sides and bottom of the trench, while Michael and Glen had a general ramble through the undergrowth along the sides and ends of the creek. No luck what so ever, and eventually their farmer friends appeared over the brow of the hill and they discussed the next phase of operations. The exact area of ground where Mr French estimated the bike lay had not been excavated so we decided to try there as a last resort. The only snag was that by now several

tons of dirt lay over the spot. A shattering roar from the tractor echoed along the creek as Bill commenced to remove the dirt further along.

This took about an hour before the original top soil was exposed and he could start cutting down into the hard ground. Jack and Glen were quite excited again and kept following behind the blade keenly watching for any parts to be exposed.

"Can't be far away now," said Mr French. "This would be about the spot from what I can remember." Suddenly Jack leaped forward from behind the tractor blade and came back grinning all over his face as he showed us a pedal with a bright shiny thread on one end where it had been wrenched out of its crank by the tractor blade. Bill eased the tractor back till it was well clear of the spot, then they tried with the detector, being rewarded with a very satisfying contact. Spades and shovels were seized and within a few minutes the engine and sundry frame parts were exposed. Glen concentrated on the gas tank, finding out its shape and size as with veteran motorcycles the tank shape often gives a good indication of the machine's age.

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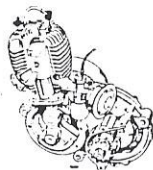
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IRV LOWEN

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## APPOINTED POSITIONS (SOME WERE NOMINATED)

LIBRARIAN - JIM GOLD  
ACTIVITIES - CRAIG KRAFT  
PROPERTY MANAGER - RAY HOUE  
EDITOR - CHUCK MURRAY  
PUBLIC RELATIONS - DAVE JOHNSON

NOMINATIONS CLOSE DECEMBER 21ST MEETING



EDITOR'S MESSAGE  
(Continued from page 6)

This amounts to 66 2/3% each for a total of 133 1/3% without the editor's contribution.

What this means, of course, is that the club gets a terrific newsletter-improved, on time, and on budget - 133 1/3% remember-not to mention the quality of the effort - and all I have to do is not take too long to reply to the little voices on my answering machine saying "Dave - did you forget your column?" and of course take all the credit for the great job Chuck and Sandra are doing. I'm becoming a great believer in bureaucracy.

Of course it's not all gravy - there are perks. Yes, sports fans, there are other benefits to working with Chuck and Sandra Murray. When I get invited over to work on the newsletter they are usually 99.9% finished and I get invited to stay for supper. For example: They tell me to come over Wednesday for supper and we will stamp, address, and mail all the newsletters. I show up faithfully on Wednesday, (supper meetings do that for me) and it turns out that Chuck and Sandra did it all Tuesday because the newsletter came back from the printers early - and I get a great supper.

So why do I stay on the newsletter team? Silly question! How long will I stay? (you guys trying to get rid of me or what?) Well, it's not likely they'll start asking me to work, and it's not likely they'll stop feeding me, so I guess I'm here

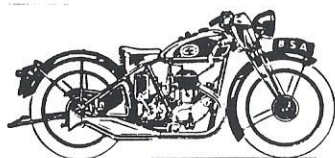
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And now - my final words as Editor of "Rust 'N Pieces".

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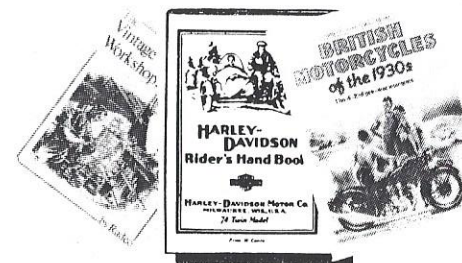
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IF YOU KNOW OF ANY EVENTS THAT WOULD  
BE OF INTEREST  
TO FELLOW CLUB MEMBERS

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IMPORTANT  
PLEASE READ

It has been brought to the club's attention that our library is becoming increasingly larger all the time. Jim Gold, our librarian expressed his concern for this at the November meeting. Our problem is not the size of it, (the more books the better) but the room it takes to store the number of books we have acquired over the year. Seems Jim has all the available space in his own home taken up as well as his brother's garage. (one full wall of a single garage to be exact) Several ideas were brought up at the meeting. It was suggested we buy a van or trailer to haul the books and store them while not in transport. This was more or less shot down because of the cost of insurance, etc. and the fact the books will have to be in heated storage for the winter. Also where would the truck or trailer be parked? A storage shed was suggested with some of the same problems as the van, heat, location, etc. It was agreed upon that where ever the books end up they should be heated to protect the them from rot or critters, etc. One suggestion was to sell off the excess books in auction style. This is a little far fetched when we think about it for awhile. In the first place what is an excess book? All our books no matter how little or how



much they are used should never be considered for auction as they are the most valuable resource the club has. Our mandate is the preservation of antique and classic motorcycles. Without the past knowledge of fellow enthusiasts the task of preservation and restoration would be almost impossible. Most of the clubs books have been donated to sell them would a dishonour to those who work so hard to acquire these sometimes hard to get pieces of motorcycling past.

It has been suggested we rent a heated storage area within easy access of the club. This could become costly but it may be our only alternative. The purpose of putting this whole thing on paper is to get some input from all club members. Anyone who has any other ideas or suggestions or especially a heated space to store the club library please contact the club executive or attend the January meeting where this problem will be brought up again. To any of the clubs with which we exchange newsletters. We would like to here from you on this matter. I am sure similar problems have been experienced by others.

Let us know, any feed back will be appreciated.

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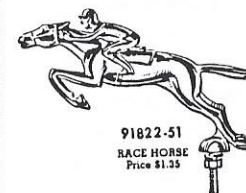
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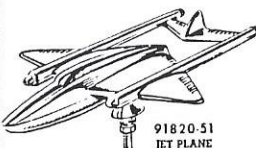
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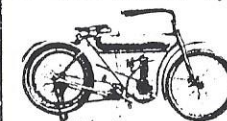
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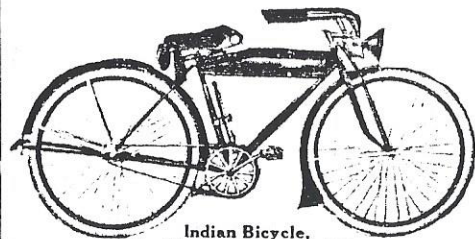
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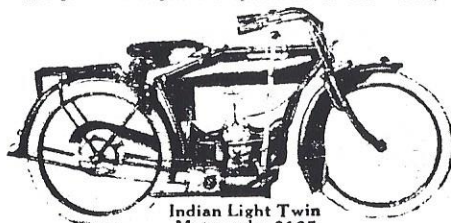
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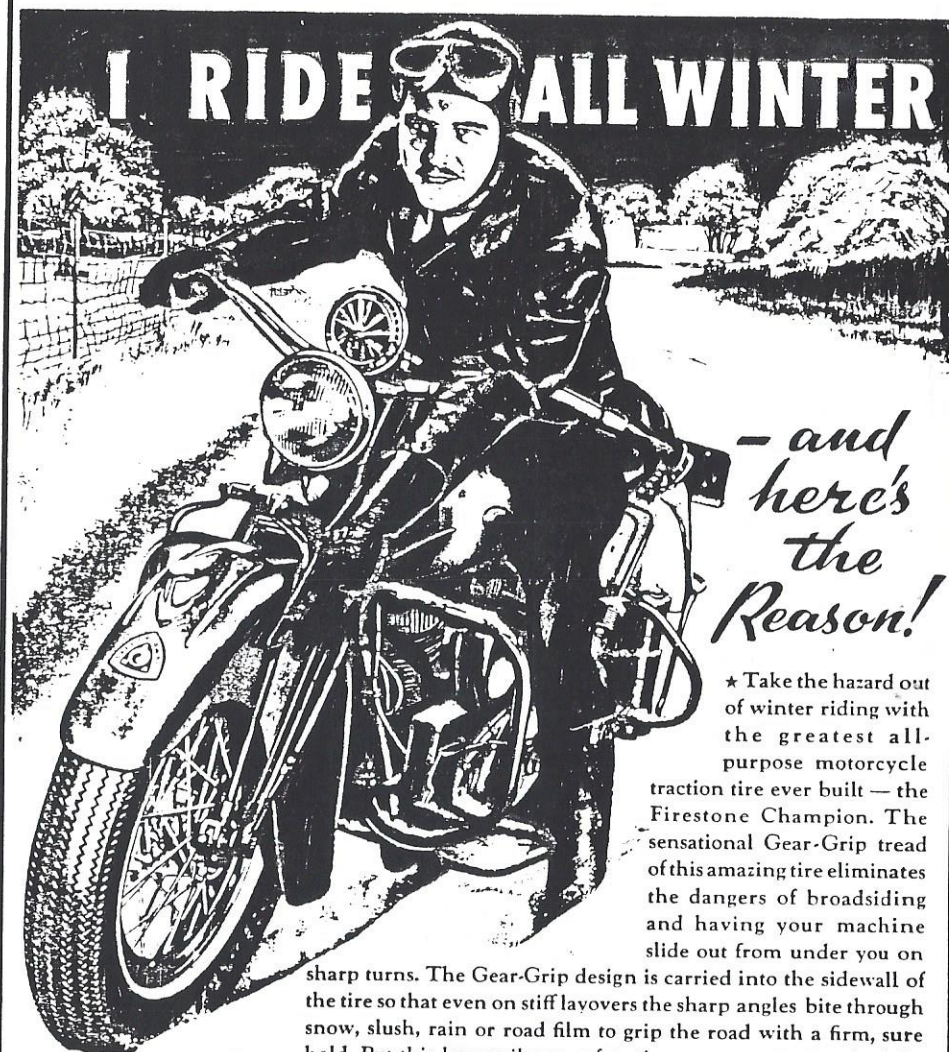
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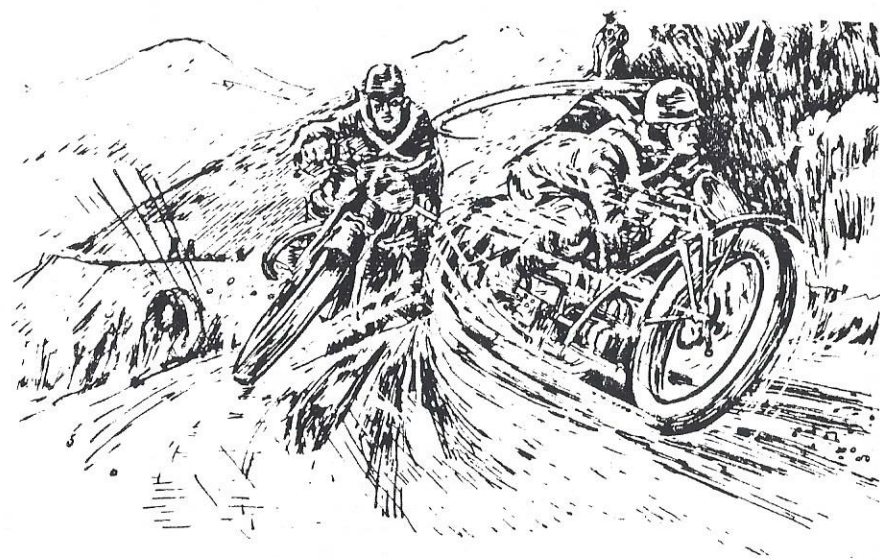
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