Creative Workers

Credit Where Due

IN this section of the Silver Anniversary Issue, an effort is made to give credit for definite developments to the men responsible for such work.

The only regret accompanying this publication is that sufficient time is not available to carry this investigation further and follow the many clues that have come to the attention of the compilers.

Much interest has been expressed in this effort by the many persons called upon for information and there is reason to believe that a further effort along this line would reveal many more identities worthy of mention.

One thought must govern this work. It is self-evident that the automobile of today is not fundamentally different from the car of the early years of the quarter of a century that has witnessed its development, but it is a much different vehicle.

The great improvement noted is not due to any one man or one step. There has been no single thought that brought it about. No one man stands head and shoulders above his co-workers.

There has been a co-ordination among engineer, designer, manufacturer, mechanic, and tool designers of the great divisions that are independent but yet work to the same end-chassis, engine, body and tire.

Each of these industries has contributed its part to making the completed picture, and along with them is that body of forward men who have created the sentiment for highways and then have found the money for building the highways.

The automobile today is a co-ordination of all of these things and we believe that we are fortunate in being able to individualize some of the men who have had a definite part in this complex work.



Frank Remy

With his brother, B. Perry Remy, worked through the development years of the ignition spark, beginning with the stationary engine days when only batteries were used. The first ignition dynamo was built about the time engines were used first for automobiles and were refined into magnetos in time for sale to Haynes-Apperson and Duryea for early cars manufactured by these firms. They continued to work in this rapidly progressing art to which all electrical firms contributed to the general progress and the refinement of products. Address, Hercules Mfg. Co., Indianapolis, Ind.



B. Perry Remy

Had a job early in 1893 recharging the batteries for ignition of stationary engines for the Peru Carbon Works, Peru, Ind., in 1893, and because he did not like the job he conceived idea of a generator to supply the needed current. He quit that job and with his brother Frank went into the housewiring business at Anderson, Ind. The state of business permitted the brothers time to experiment and they built a dynamo to take the place of batteries. The magneto was the natural refinement of this dynamo and this was the first generator for ignition which the brothers had known. Address, Indianapolis, Ind.

