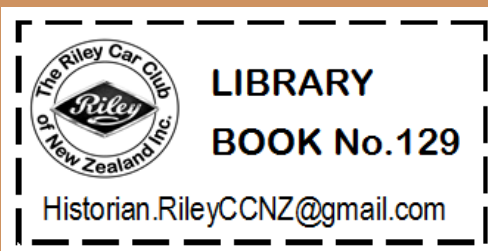


# **Reference Book For the C.K.D.**

## **1½ Litre Riley Part 1 Chassis**



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### RILEY 1½ LITRE MODEL

#### INTRODUCTION

In offering the new 1½ litre Riley in Completely Knocked Down form, Nuffield Export Limited are pursuing a policy which has already been followed for most of the wide range of cars which they market. This is a sincere endeavour to meet the requirements of the gradually increasing number of countries which are turning their attention to the advantage which legislation in their direction may offer.

The distributor when reviewing the C.K.D. aspect of sales policy naturally raises the question as to the number of vehicles which constitute a reasonable quantity to consider upon this basis; but here it is not possible to generalize, for there are some who find it an economical proposition to order as few as 20 C.K.D. sets, while others may order as many as 5,000 or more for one model alone.

The first necessity is to make a close subject of the advantages of this system, and to consider the possible savings against the landed cost of a fully built-up vehicle. Certain aspects of the matter immediately suggest themselves, a lower factory cost with additional reductions in freight, both by land and sea, reductions in handling charges, and in duty against the lower c.i.f. charges, or even preferential tariffs, in addition to which there is an increased protection against damage, deterioration, and pilferage which the C.K.D. shipment affords.

These lead to the consideration of such invisible assets as a certain natural pride in a car built in one's own country where so often the influence of climatic conditions in individual needs, on taste, and on colour, demand a greater freedom to meet local requirements in regard to trimming, painting and accessories, not possible for the manufacturer who must often reach a compromise in his endeavour to meet a wide variety of world markets.

All those and more, suggest ways and means by which the Completely Knocked Down form of shipment can offer attractive possibilities in cost reduction, with increased potential value, which must surely be reflected in increased sales. Nor is this arrangement by any means to the disadvantage of the country of exportation as is sometimes argued, for although the landed cost of C.K.D. shipment can show considerable reductions compared with that of a built up vehicle, this may not in point of fact be achieved as a result of a greatly reduced factory cost.

Here then is the means whereby many countries may yet find an aid to the solution of their economic problem, and at the same time derive rich benefit from this British contribution of a unique combination of engineering experience and skill which only years of design and development can achieve.

The purpose of this reference book is first to show the condition in which the vehicle can be offered in Completely Knocked Down form, and then to deal with the method of assembly recommended by the factory in conjunction with Nuffield Exports Limited.



The main sections cover the assembly of the chassis and body respectively.

### The Chassis.

Four per case packing has been arrived at and illustrations 2 and 7 show clearly the method involved.

Illustration 2. depicts the engine packing with batteries and ancillary equipment.

Illustration 3. The frame and bonnet panels.

Illustration 4, 5, 6. The progressive packing of front and rear axles with wheels and radiators.

Illustration 7. The wings.

There follows a detailed description of the method of assembly adopted on the Factory line with notes as to the tools and equipment generally required, and points which require special attention are fully dealt with.

### The Body.

Details as to the assembly procedure recommended for the body are set forward in Part 2, together with notes on mounting and finishing.

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# TECHNICAL DATA COVERING THE NEW 1½ LITRE MODEL.

## ENGINE.

Number of cylinders.	4.	
Treasury Rating.	11.9 h.p.	
Capacity.	1496 c.c.	
B.H.P.	55 b.h.p. at 4500 r.p.m.	
Bore.	69mm.	2.716 in.
Stroke.	100mm.	3.937 in.
Compression Ratio	6.7 to 1	
System of cooling.	Pump and thermos syphon.	
Maximum rebore size.	Plus .040 in.	
Firing order.	1, 2, 4, 3.	
Piston clearance.	Top .0026 in. to .0044 in.	.06604 mm. to .011176 mm.
	Bottom .0041 in. to .0032 in.	.03556 mm. to .08128 mm.
Ring Gap.	.008 in.	.02032 mm.
Number of compression rings.	3.	
Width of compression rings.	.078 in.	2 mm.
Number of oil rings	1.	
Width of oil rings.	5/32 in.	3.968 mm.
Oil pressure - (minimum figures)	19 lb./ sq.in. at 15 m.p.h. to	1.356 kg./ sq.cm at 24 k.p.h.
	35 lb./ sq.in. at 50 m.p.h.	2.460 kg./sq.cm at 80 k.p.h.
	48 ln./sq.in. at 70 m.p.h.	3.74 kg./sq.cm. at 112 k.p.h.
Gudgeon pin type.	Floating - secured by circlips.	
Fit in piston.	Light drive at room temperature.	
Fit in connecting rod.	Push fit.	
Crankpin diameter (standard)	1.876 in.	47.655 mm.
Minimum diameter for regrind crankpin.	1.025 in.	46.354 mm.
Connecting rod - length between centres.	8 in.	203.20 mm.
Type of bearing - connecting rod.	White metal direct to rod.	
	.002 in. to .004 in.	
Side clearance - connecting rod.		.0508 mm. to .1016 mm.
Diametrical clearance - connecting rod.	.0015 in.	.03810 mm.
Number of crankshaft bearings.	3.	
Type of bearing - main.	White metal.	
Standard main journal diameter.	Front and rear 1.75 in.	44.44 mm.
	Centre 2.76 in.	69.84 mm.
Minimum diameter for regrind	1.730 in. front and rear.	43.94 mm.
main journals.	2.730 in. centre.	69.34 mm.
Main bearings - length.	Front 2 1/2 in. centre 1 7/16 in.	Front 63.50 mm. centre 36.51 mm.
	rear 2 5/8 in.	rear 60.32 mm.
End clearance main bearing.	.004 in. to .006 in.	.1016 mm. to .1524 mm.



Diameter clearance - main bearing.	.0025 in. centre. .0015 in. front and rear.	.06350 mm. centre. .03810 mm. front and rear.
End thrust taken on crankshaft.	Rear bearing.	
Number of camshaft bearings.	3.	
Type of bearing - camshaft.	Plain.	
Bearing clearance - camshaft.	.0026 in.	.06350 mm.
End thrust taken on camshaft.	Front bearings.	
Camshaft drive - type.	Chain to both camshafts.	
Valve timing markings.	Crankshaft keyway vertical.	Marks on chain wheels in line.
Exhaust valve diameter - head and stem.	1 7/16 in. head and 5/16 in. stem.	36.50 mm. head and 7.93 mm. stem.
Inlet valve diameter - head and stem.	1 7/16 in. head and 5/16 in. stem.	36.50 mm. head and 7.93 mm. stem.
Valve seat angle.	45°	
Tappet type.	Mushroom.	
Inlet valve clearance for timing.	.0005 in.	.0127 mm.
Inlet valve opens.	9° or 2 1/3 flywheel teeth B.T.D.C.	
Inlet valve working clearance.	.003 in. hot.	.0762 mm.
Exhaust valve working clearance.	.004 in. hot.	.1016 mm.
Are guides removable.	Yes.	
Carburettor make and type.	S.U. horizontal H.2. fitted jet.	No.3 needle.
<u>Clutch and Gearbox.</u>		
Clutch type.	8 in. dia Borg & Beck.	20.32 cm.
Type of facing.	"Special" Borg & Beck.	
Gear ratios.	Top 4.89 to 1. Third 7.23 to 1. Second 11.2 to 1. First 19.92 to 1. Reverse 19.42 to 1.	
<u>Front Axle and Steering.</u>		
Camber.	1°.	
Castor angle.	3°.	
Toe-in.	Nil.	
Swivel pin inclination.	11°.	
Track.	4 ft. 4 1/2 in. front and rear.	133.35 cm.
Turning circle.	30 ft.	9.144 metres.
Wheelbase.	9 ft. 4 1/2 in.	285.75 cm.
Tyre size and pressure.	5.76 x 16 in. Front 22 lb./sq.in. Rear 24 lb./ sq.in.	Front 1.546 kg./sq.cm. Rear 1.687 kg./sq.cm.
<u>Rear Axle.</u>		
Type of axle.	Semi-floating.	



Type of drive.	Spiral bevel.	
Ratio.	4.89 to 1.	
Adjustment.	Vernier - no shims.	
End play.	Nil.	
Lash	.006 in.	0.1524 mm.

NOTE: The pinion assembly is very accurately set by means of a special gauge and should not be altered without reference to our Service Department.

### Brakes.

Type.	Girling hydro-mechanical.		
Lining size.	Front 9 3/4 in. x 1 3/4 in. x 3/16 in.	Front 247.65 mm. x 44.45 mm. x 4.76 mm.	
	Rear 9 3/8 in. x 1 1/2 in. x 3/16 in.	Rear 238.12 mm. x 38.10 mm. x 4.76 mm.	

### Springs.

Front.	Fitted Riley "Torsionic" independent front suspension. I.E. two torsion bars parallel to chassis.		
Length - rear.	45 1/2 in. (eye centres)	115.670 cm.	
Width - rear.	2 in.	50.8 mm.	
Number of leaves - rear.	13		
Thickness of leaves - rear.	One to five 3/16 in. others 5/32 in.	One to five 4.762 mm. others 3.962 mm.	
Camber - rear.	1 7/8 in. minus 1/8 in. loaded (negative camber)	47.62 mm. minus 3.175 mm. loaded (negative camber)	

### Electrical.

Distributor rotation.	Clockwise.	
Manual advance.	Yes.	
Automatic advance.	Yes.	
Breaker gap.	.012 in. to .016 in.	.3048 mm. to .3810 mm.
Plug - make and type.	Champion L10.S	
Plug gap.	.030 in.	.7620 mm.
Firing order.	1, 2, 4, 3.	
Ignition timing - degrees.	8° B.T.D.C. Full advance of manual control.	
Ignition timing - number of flywheel teeth.	2 teeth.	



Charging system.  
Battery - capacity, make and type.  
Battery earth.

Lucas C.V.C. type special equipment. Dynamo C45YV. Control box R.P.91.  
Lucas 12 volt. 58 amp/hour. STWX9A  
Positive.

#### Capacities.

Sump.	10 pints.	5.68 litres.
Gearbox.	2 pints.	1.13 litres.
Rear axle.	2 3/4 pints.	1.56 litres.
Cooling system.	13 pints.	7.38 litres.
Radiator hose - top.	Special pre-formed hose.	
Radiator hose - bottom-length and internal diameter.	2 3/8 in. x 1 1/4 in. diameter. 2 off.	60.32 mm x 34.92 mm.
Petrol tank.	12 1/2 gallons.	56.82 litres.

#### General Dimensions.

Overall length.	14 ft. 11 in.	5.546 metres.
Overall height.	4 ft. 11 in.	1.498 metres.
Overall width.	5 ft. 3 1/2 in.	1.612 metres.
Ground clearance.	7 1/2 in.	19.05 cm.
Total weight.	24 1/4 cwt. (dry)	1231.96 kg.

#### Valve Timing.

Inlet opens.	9° before T.D.C.
Inlet closes.	45° after B.D.C.
Exhaust opens.	56° before B.D.C.
Exhaust closes.	20° after T.D.C.



## SEQUENCE OF OPERATIONS.

The chassis frame is lifted to an assembly line or assembly bench, with means for lifting front and rear ends for fitting purposes.

### NOW PROCEED IN THE FOLLOWING OPEERATIONAL SEQUENCE:-

Operation 1. Fit main petrol feed pipe to O/S chassis side meber. Pipe is attached to side member with 9 clips and hexagon headed screw into tapped holes.

Tooling: Screwdriver or 1/4" box spanner.

NOTE. It is advisable at this stage to leaves the screws slack since certain of the main harness cable clips pick up on the same screws.

Operation 2. Fit torsion bar adjusting brackets to the rear face of the brackets to be found welded to the rear side of the chassis front cross member. The adjusting brackets are located to the welded brackets with 4 - 5/16" bolts, nuts and external shakeproof washers. (Illustration 15).

Tooling: 3/8" Standard spanner.

Operation 3. Now fit back rail to extreme rear end of chassis members to carry the rear bumper fittings and on which is also welded the stud for the petrol tank rear suspension. (Illustration 13)  
The back rail is attached to the chassis with 4 - 5/16' bolts, nuts and external shakeproof washers. Rear bumper fittings consist of the following:-

- 2 - Flat bumper brackets which are attached to the back rail with 4 - 5/16" bolts, nuts and ext. shakeproof washers.
- 2 - Square section jack tubes which are attached to the bumper bracket and back rail with 4 - 3/8" - 5/16" headed bolts, nuts and ext. shakeproof washers.
- 1 - Flat bar back rail which is attached to ends of jack tubes with 2 - 3/8" - 5/16" headed bolts, distance pieces (the distance pieces fit under the heads of the bolts on the top face of the flat bar back rail). Ext. shakeproof washers and nuts.
- 2 - Bumper brackets, tubular, fit from flat bumper brackets to top of chassis side members with 6 - 5/16" bolts, nuts and ext. shakeproof washers.

NOTE. The 2 tubular bumper brackets must be removed when mounting the body.

Tooling: 5/16" ring spanner. 5/16" standard spanner. 5/16" box spanner. 3/8" box spanner. 3/8" standard spanner.

Operation 4. Fit Harris rubber bushes to chassis frame shackle bushes as follows:- (Illustration 13)

- 4 - long bushes in front frame shackle bushes.
- 4 - short bushes in rear frame shackle bushes.



8 - short bushes in spring eyes (4 off each spring) .

Tooling: Bushes are pushed in by hand.

Operation 5. Fit shock absorbers complete with arms and links to chassis side members with 2 - 7/16" bolts each, which screw into tapping blocks already welded in position on chassis. (Illustrations 8 and 13) .

Tooling: 7/16" box spanner. 7/16" ring spanner.

Operation 6. Lift rear axle and torque tube assembly into position in chassis. Remove propeller shaft driving flange, turn trunnion partly sideways in order to enter it into trunnion bush brackets (Welded on chassis cross member) . (Illustration 8) .

Tooling: Overhead pulley block, chains and rope.

Operation 7. Connect torque tube trunnion to trunnion brackets, now fit trunnion bushes (pushed through trunnion brackets on to trunnion from outside) . The trunnion bushes are attached to trunnion brackets with 4 - 1/4" bolts, nuts and ext. shakeproof washers. Before fitting trunnion bush covers, fit 2 - 3/8" bolts with washers, 1 in each side of the trunnion and tighten up, now fit the 4 bolts to each trunnion bush through bracket with heads to the outside, next fit bush covers to same bolts and fit washers and nuts.

Tooling: 1/4" and 3/8" standard spanners.

Operation 8. Now fit propeller shaft driving flange on to splines of enclosed propeller shaft.

Tooling: Hide mallet.

NOTE. This flange is held in position by intermediate propeller shaft.

Operation 9. Tighten torque tube trunnion to its original position by means of the clamp bolt situated on the top of the torque tube. (Illustration 8) .

Tooling: 3/8" standard spanner.

NOTE. Rock axle to ensure its free movement in the trunnion bushes.

Operation 10. Now fit spring chassis assemblies as follows:- The shackle assemblies with long pins in front position of rear spring, together with the inner shackle plate with the distance piece welded to it.



The shackle assemblies with the short pins in the rear position of the rear springs together with the plain flat inner shackle plate.

Rear springs should be fitted to the rear axle with the 2 spring leaf clips facing towards the front of the vehicle. (Illustration 13).

Tooling: 7/16" box spanner. 7/16" standard spanner. Clamping device A.1730-J9.

NOTE. Shackle pin nuts must be left slack until the springs have been compressed almost flat. This procedure is necessary, as if nuts are tightened before springs are compressed the Harris rubber bushes will be severely damaged when load is subsequently placed on the springs.

Operation 11. Before releasing compression on springs, connect shock absorber links to anchor lug on spring platform.

Tooling: 7/16" box spanner.

NOTE. Care must be taken to ensure that the long end of the tab washer which fits on the top of the bolt locating shock absorber link to axle faces toward the front of the vehicle.

Operation 12. Now tighten up shackle oin nuts.

Tooling: 7/16" box spanner. 7/16" standard spanner.

NOTE. The shackle pin split nuts tighten straight down on to shackle plates, no washers used.

Operation 13. Fit stabiliser bar and brackets to shock absorber arm brackets O/S and N/S with 4-3/8" bolts, nuts and ext, shakeproof washers. (Illustration 13).

Tooling: 3/8" box spanner. 3/8" standard spanner.

NOTE. The stabiliser bar must face toward the rear of the car, otherwise the end brackets will foul body floor. In order to enter the bar between the shock absorbers, slacken bracket clamp bolt and tap bracket along splines towards the centre, reversing the procedure to bring the brackets up against shock absorber with the bar in position. The amount of splining showing beyond the inner side of the brackets, when fitted, should be the same. Brackets should not be taken off the bar as they have been "set" at the factory and the splining is so fine that it is extremely difficult without special jig to ensure that both brackets are in line.

Operation 14. Fit rear road wheels complete with tyres and tubes.

Tooling: 1/2" brace spanner.



#### Operation 15.

Now fit petrol tank. The petrol tank is suspended in chassis at three points, i.e. at one point on each of the chassis bracing tubes and at one point on the back rail. (Illustration 13). The actual suspension components take the form of 8 rubber blocks and 4 metal plates and three bolts, one of which is already welded in position on the back rail. Care should be taken in the order of fitting of the rubber blocks and metal plates, this is as follows:-

- (a) On the suspension points on both bracing tubes, pass bolt through hole drilled to receive it, next fit 1 rubber block, then petrol tank, another rubber block followed by a metal plate and finally a 3/8" Simmonds nut.
- (b) On the rear suspension point (on back rail) proceed thus:- fit both rubber blocks then petrol tank followed by metal plate, finishing with 3/8" Simmonds nut.
- (c) Now tighten all nuts.

#### Tooling:

3/8" standard or box spanner.

#### Operation 16.

Fit brake and clutch pedals with spindle, centre distance piece, grooved taper pin, end distance piece, pedal return spring and spindle bracket. Illustration 15).

Assemble the above part as follows:- The drilled centre distance piece is pushed in to the spindle, matching up pin holes, now fit grooved taper pin. Coil pedal return spring over grooved pin until the pin comes within the centre loop of the spring. The pin acts as spring anchor. Now fit brake pedal on spigotted end of spindle followed by the end distance piece. Fit clutch pedal on opposite end of the spindle. Insert spigotted end of spindle into drilled plate welded to chassis side member immediately behind front cross member. Now insert the flattened end of the spindle into spindle bracket and attach to R.H. torsion bar bracket with 2 - 5/16" bolts. The spindle bracket thus holds pedal assembly in position to chassis side member.

#### Tooling:

5/16" box spanner.

#### Operation 17.

Now fit brake cross shaft and levers to brackets welded on intermediate chassis cross member. Brake cross shaft consists of a tube with a lever welded on each end. A pegged shaft passes through the tube and is kept stationary by the peg locating in slot in bracket. The pegged shaft is kept in position with split pins, no washers are used.

#### Tooling:

Pliers.

#### Operation 18.

Fit brake compensating lever to pivot pin welded in position on front side of intermediate cross member, secure with washer and split pin. The lever is connected beneath the cross member to the brake cross shaft lever by a hexagon adjusting tube and it is at this point that all slackness throughout the brake rodding system is taken up. About 1/8" lost motion is allowed on brake pedal to ensure master cylinder rod returns to its stop.

#### Tooling:

Pliers. 3/8" standard spanner.



NOTE. Fork ends should not be moved on rods as they have been very finely adjusted and locked at the factory.

Operation 19. Fit clutch compensating shaft and levers to brackets welded in position on 2nd chassis cross member. This shaft is of the same design and fitting as brake cross shaft - see Operation 17 for details.

NOTE. A clutch stop is incorporated on above shaft and a further clutch pedal return spring is fitted from compensating shaft to seat bracket on 2nd cross member.

GENERAL NOTE ON BRAKE AND CLUTCH OPERATING SHAFTS, RODS ETC.

The whole of this mechanism is hand fitted and thus becomes peculiar to the vehicle to which it is assembled. This careful fitting is carried out to ensure all parts work freely and that any slight irregularities in welded brackets, shafts, levers etc. which may cause binding have been eliminated.

In addition, all rod fork ends have been very finely set and locked (as finely as 1/4 thread) and on no account should fork ends be removed from rods or fitted to any car other than that from which have been removed. Should it be necessary to dismantle the system - the master cylinder, complete with rods and hoses should be removed as a complete unit, by withdrawal of split pins and clevis pins.

The handbrake is connected to a rod from the brake compensating lever through another rod and lever mounted on pivot pin and bracket welded on inside of R.H. chassis member - to front of vehicle and thence by cable to a pistol grip sliding lever mounted underneath of scuttle body after body has been mounted. The handbrake operates on rear wheels.

Operation 20. Fit clutch withdrawal mechanism. The clutch operating shaft is splined on one end of which a fork is fitted, this fork is connected to similar fork projecting from the clutch housing through the medium of a coupling piece. The forks are attached to coupling piece with clevis pins retained in position by washers and split pins. A lever is dowelled on the opposite end of the shaft - approximately 1 1/2" from the end, this end of the shaft fits into a ball socket, which is built up on a tapped plate welded to the chassis member. From the lever, a rod with spring and adjusting nut (on lower end) passes back to clutch compensating shaft lever, whilst another rod connected to the opposite compensating lever passes back to the clutch pedal. (Illustration 8).

Action:- Depression of clutch pedal causes the clutch operating shaft to take a backward rotary movement thus disengaging the clutch.

Tooling: 5/16" standard or box spanner. Pliers.

NOTE. A return spring is fitted from the clutch pedal to R.H. torsion bar bracket. This spring is additional to that mentioned in Operation 16.

Operation 21. Fit accelerator pedal (temporarily). The accelerator is mounted on pivot pin welded to the outside of the R.H. chassis side member immediately behind chassis front member.



Items comprising accelerator assembly are as follows and should be fitted on pivot pin in the order set down below:-

- (a) Steel washer. (b) Rubber washer. (c) Accelerator pedal. (d) Rubber washer.
- (e) Steel washer. (f) Split pin. A rubber draught excluder fits on pedal before foot pad is fitted.

Tooling: Pliers.

NOTE. THE ACCELERATOR PEDAL ASSEMBLY SHOULD NOT BE FINALLY FITED UNTIL BODY HAS BEEN MOUNTED.

Operation 22.

Now fit front suspension unit. Front wing stays. Road wheels.

The suspension unit should be lifted to the correct height with pulley block and tackle, since a certain amount of movement is necessary to ensure locating bolts will enter holes squarely.

First enter the 2 - 7/16" bolts which are already in position at the bottom of the suspension cradle. Now fit the 8 - 7/16" bolts (4 each side) from the inside towards the front. Fit all nuts and tighten with the exception of the 2 - 7/16" bolts at the extreme bottom (these bolts have their heads facing the front of the vehicle). Now slacken back the bolts in the torsion bar adjusting cam, this will allow the cam to hang loose. Now depress the hydraulic dampers to their fullest extent by means of a lever. With the hydraulic dampers still fully depressed with the torsion bar adjusting cam held up by hand against its stop, insert the torsion bar from the rear with the 1/2" tapped hole in the bar facing towards front of vehicle, the primary object is to enter the front and rear splined ends of the bar simultaneously at the same time retaining the hydraulic dampers in the fully depressed condition and with the torsion bar cam held up against its stop. Having entered the splines a second operator should drive the torsion bar forward by means of an aluminium or other soft metal rod 3/4" - 1" dia. held up against the rear end. Do not drive the torsion bar right forward but leave the rear end projecting about 1/4" beyond the face of the adjusting cam. Now insert the torsion bar retaining stud and cap into the 1/2" tapped hole in front end of the torsion bar and tighten, the tightening up will have the effect of drawing the torsion bar forward on its splines, until the rear end becomes flush with the face of the adjusting cam. The compression can be taken off the hydraulic dampers before the torsion bar retaining stud is fitted. Now tighten up nuts of the 2 - 7/16" bolts which were left loose. Fit the front road wheels.

The front wing stays should now be fitted to suspension cradle and adjusted to the current height, which is 10 1/2", and is taken by means of a simple jug from the top face of the front tie bar brackets (welded to suspension cradle) to the highest point of the wing stay. (Illustrations 14 and 16).

Tooling: Hide mallet, 2' length 3/4" - 1" dia. aluminium rod. 3/8" standard spanner. 5/16" box spanner. 1/2" box spanner. 3/8" brace spanner. 7/16" standard or box spanner.

NOTE. It should be noted that before the torsion bars are fitted at the Factoru they undergo a test, the result of which makes them O/S and N/S, care should be taken therefore, to refit the torsion bars in those positions. Following the fitting of the



torsion bars the pressure can be taken off the hydraulic dampers, when it will be seen they will remain in an approximately fully extended condition, thus facilitating final adjustment when the car has been completely erected, it being simpler to lower the car by means of the adjusting cam to the correct height than to raise it by the same means, in fact, NO ATTEMPT SHOULD BE MADE TO RAISE THE CAR BY MEANS OF THE ADJUSTING CAM failure to observe this instruction will cause the adjusting cam bolt to shear. The method of final adjustment is dealt with below, but it must be borne in mind that such final adjustment is not carried out until car has been completely erected and ready for the road.

PROSEDURE FOR CHECKING AND ADJUSTING THE SETTING OF THE INDEPENDENT "TORSIONIC" FRONT SUSPENSION.

With the car resting on its wheels and tyre pressure balanced and normal, the dimensions indicated should be checked. (Illustration 14).

Dimension at "A" should be 1 inch more than dimensions at "B", measurement being taken from the centres of attachments "C" and "D" to level ground.

If this difference in height is LESS than 1 inch the dimensions must be increased, the procedure being as follows:-

The front of the car must be jacked up until the wheels are completely clear of the ground, the weight of the car should then be removed from the suspension gear. This point is very important and on no account must any adjustment be made to increase the dimension at "A" with the weight of the car on its front wheels.

The adjustment at the rear of the torsion bars must now be screwed IN (Fig.2.) one complete turn.

This should give a difference of height, at the forward end, of 3/4 inch.

The car must now be lowered on to its road wheels again and the springing allowed to settle by rocking the front end up and down a few times. Dimensions "A" and "B" should now be re-checked.

If the difference between "A" and "B" is now greater than 1 inch there is no need to jack the car up again in order to decrease this dimension. It is only necessary to screw the adjusters OUT until the correct measurement is obtained.

IMPORTANT NOTE. Do not on any account attempt to increase dimension "A" (fig.1.) without first of all taking the weight of the car off the front suspension gear.

Having carefully checked the above adjustment and reset if necessary, the track should then be verified. In checking the track two or three measurements should be taken so that a mean reading can be obtained.

This will allow for manufacturing variations in wheel rims. The track should be set so that mean reading shows the wheels to be parallel (measuring at hub level) and for setting the track we recommend a Dunlop track setting machine or some such apparatus that gives really accurate readings. For guidance, we would advise that, to allow for a certain amount of settling in torsion bars, our procedure when turning out new cars from the Factory is firstly to set the tyre pressures (22 lbs. to square inch). Torsion bars and track to the figures given above, and then, subsequently, to increase the torsion bar setting so that the inner point "C" is 2 inches above the outer point "D" on the other side, without making any further adjustments to the track. This means, therefore, that when the car is new, the front wheels are TOEING OUT SLIGHTLY, but when the torsion bars have settled to the correct position of the inner fulcrum being 1 inch higher than the outer, then the track will be correct. It is advised that a check is made at 500 miles, and the track set parallel with a 1 inch height variation between "A" and "B", the torsion bar adjuster should be reset to



1 1/2 inch between the points "A" and "B" without making any further adjustments to the track. This will allow for a further possible settling of the torsion bars. A further check at 2,000 miles or more, the 1 inch setting on the struts with parallel track should be used.

Operation 23. Fit engine mounting rubbers to front suspension cradle and to 2nd chassis cross member. Lower engine to frame and bolt to mountings. Proceed as follows:- Sub assembly of mountings-bolt front mounting blocks to mounting block bracket and attach assembly to R. and L.H. sides of suspension cradle 8 - 5/16" bolts (4 each side) with shakeproof washers.. Holes in cradle are already tapped to receive the bolts. (Illustration 15)

Rear engine mounting - Take the aluminium bridge piece and place into it the steel bridge piece packing, then the rubber mounting block, secure these parts through the centre of the rubber block with the long bolt, rubber washer, steel plate and Simonds nut, plus 2 - 3/8" plain nuts on the studs of the rubber mounting. Screw into each end of the aluminium bridge piece a 5/16" set screw, so that it bears up against the inner packing piece. The object of these is to control the resiliency of the rear mounting as required by screwing in or out as necessary.

Now secure the rear mounting assembly to the bracket welded to the chassis cross member with 2 - 7/16" bolts, nuts and shakeproof washers.

LOWER ENGINE TO MOUNTINGS AND SECURE THUS:-

Bolt front engine bearers to mountings with 2 off each side 7/16" bolts, nuts and shakeproof washers.

Bolt gearbox bearer to rear mounting with 4 - 7/16" bolts, nuts and shakeproof washers.

Tooling: 7/16", 3/8" and 5/16" standard spanners.

Operation 24. Fit front tie bar. Attach the tie bar by sliding on to welded bracket on r. and L.H. sides of suspension cradle and secure each end with 3 - 5/16" set screws with washers. Set screws pick up in nuts welded to underside of tie bar ends. (Illustration 15.).

Tooling. 5/16" spanner.

NOTE. The object of the tie bar being detachable is to make possible the removal of the engine without dismantling the surrounding bodywork.

Operation 25. Connect engine steady cables. (a) Attach front steady cable to front tie bar and secure with rubber washer, steel washer and Simonds nut - tension - nearly full out (finger tight). (b) Attach rear steady cable to chassis cross member and secure as for front cable.

Tooling. 5/16" standard or box spanner.



Operation 26. Connect intermediate propeller shaft to engine/gearbox and rear driving flange. Bolt up (4 off each end) with special 3/8" bolts and Simonds nuts.

Tooling. 3/8" standard spanner.

Operation 27. Now fit exhaust system. The exhaust system comprises the following sections:-

(1) Exhaust pipe with metallic flexible extension - exhaust manifolds to silencer.

(2) Silencer unit. (3) Pipe expansion box. (4) Tail pipe.

Care must be taken that clips and rubber bushed suspension links are fitted in accordance with the following instructions, since failure to do so will cause the pipe to be set over and fouling the petrol tank will result. Proceed as follows:-

1st position. (front end of vehicle) Fit suspension link outside of welded bracket, followed by exhaust pipe clip on extreme outside (5/16" nuts and bolts).

2nd position. Fit suspension link on inside of bracket but fit the exhaust pipe clip on the outside of bracket.

3rd position. As for No.1.

4th position. As for No.1.

Tooling. 5/16" standard spanner. 1/4" standard spanner. 3/8" ratchet spanner - for bolts - pipe to manifold.

Operation 28. Fit chassis front extension to suspension cradle. Proceed as follows:- (a) Secure at top position on to cradle with 6 - 5/16" bolts, nuts and shakeproof washers.

(Illustration 8 and 12) (b) Secure at bottom position on to cradle with 4 - 1/4" bolts, nuts and shakeproof washers.

Tooling. 5/16", 1/4" and 3/8" box or standard spanner.

NOTE. The front extension carries the following parts:- (1) Radiator. (2) Starting handle guide tube. (3) Horn brackets 2.

(4) 2 Front jacking brackets. (5) Front bumper rail (6) 4 Bumper support brackets. (7) 2 Bumper strengthening brackets.

All the above components are secured to front extension with 5/16" and 3/8" bolts, nuts and shakeproof washers.

Operation 29. Sub assemble radiator and fit to front extension. (Illustration 8 and 12). Sub assemble the following parts to studs welded to radiator bottom case, in the order as follows:-

(1) Metal distance piece. (2) Large steel washer. (3) Rubber mounting - now fit radiator to front extension and continue. (4) Thin rubber washer. (5) Large steel washer. (6) 3/8" Simmonds nut.

Tooling. 3/8" box spanner.

Operation 30. Connect radiator to engine. (a) Fit molded top hose and secure with 1 large clip on engine and 1 small clip on radiator pipe. (b) Connect at bottom with 2 hoses, 4 small clips and metal water pipe.



Tooling.      Screwdriver.

NOTE. Bottom hoses are interchangeable, as are the small hose clips.

NOTE. Steering mast, tube, telescopic fittings and certain electrical work are fitted or carried out after the body has been mounted.





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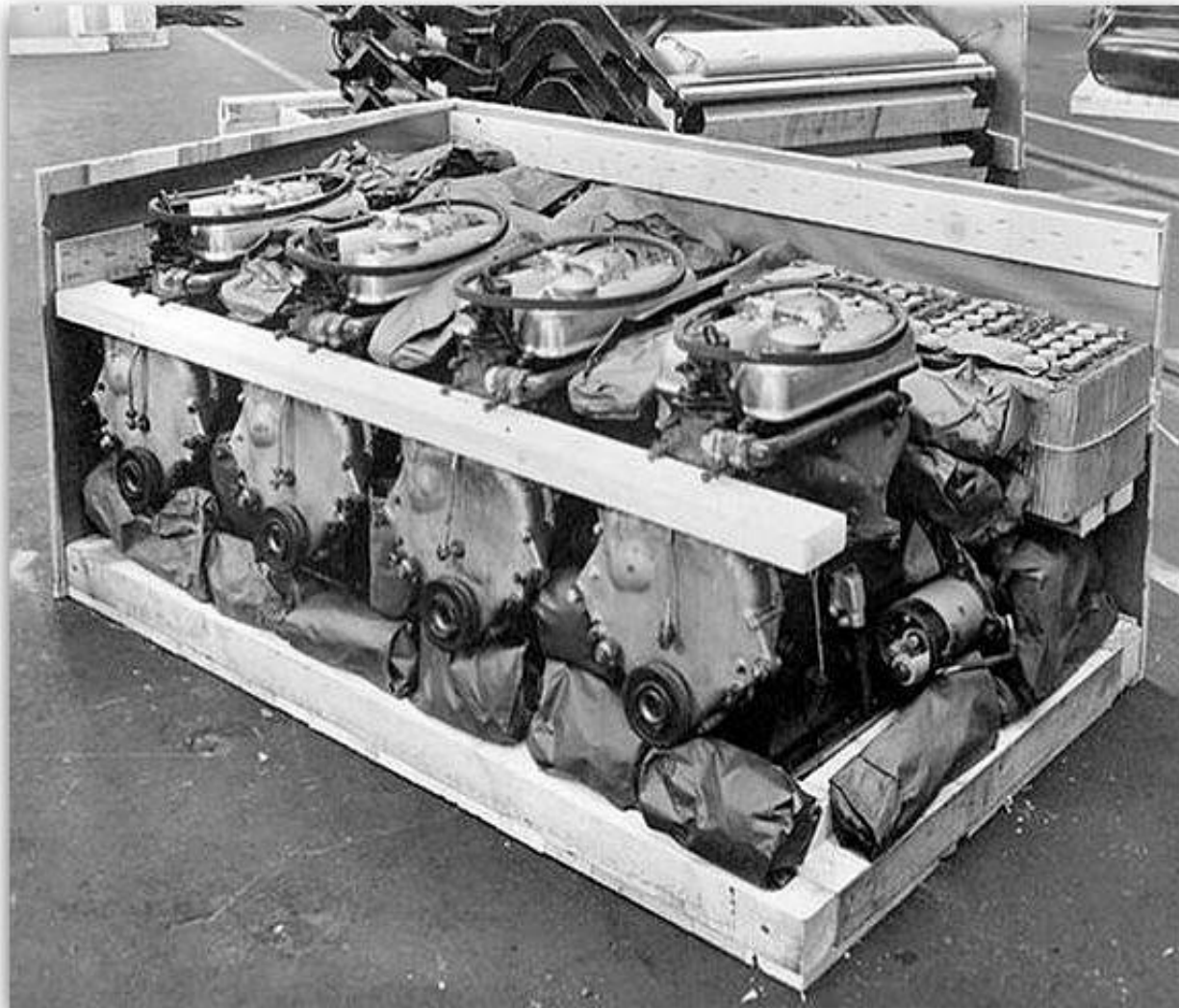


Illustration 2





Illustration 3





Illustration 4





Illustration 5





Illustration 6



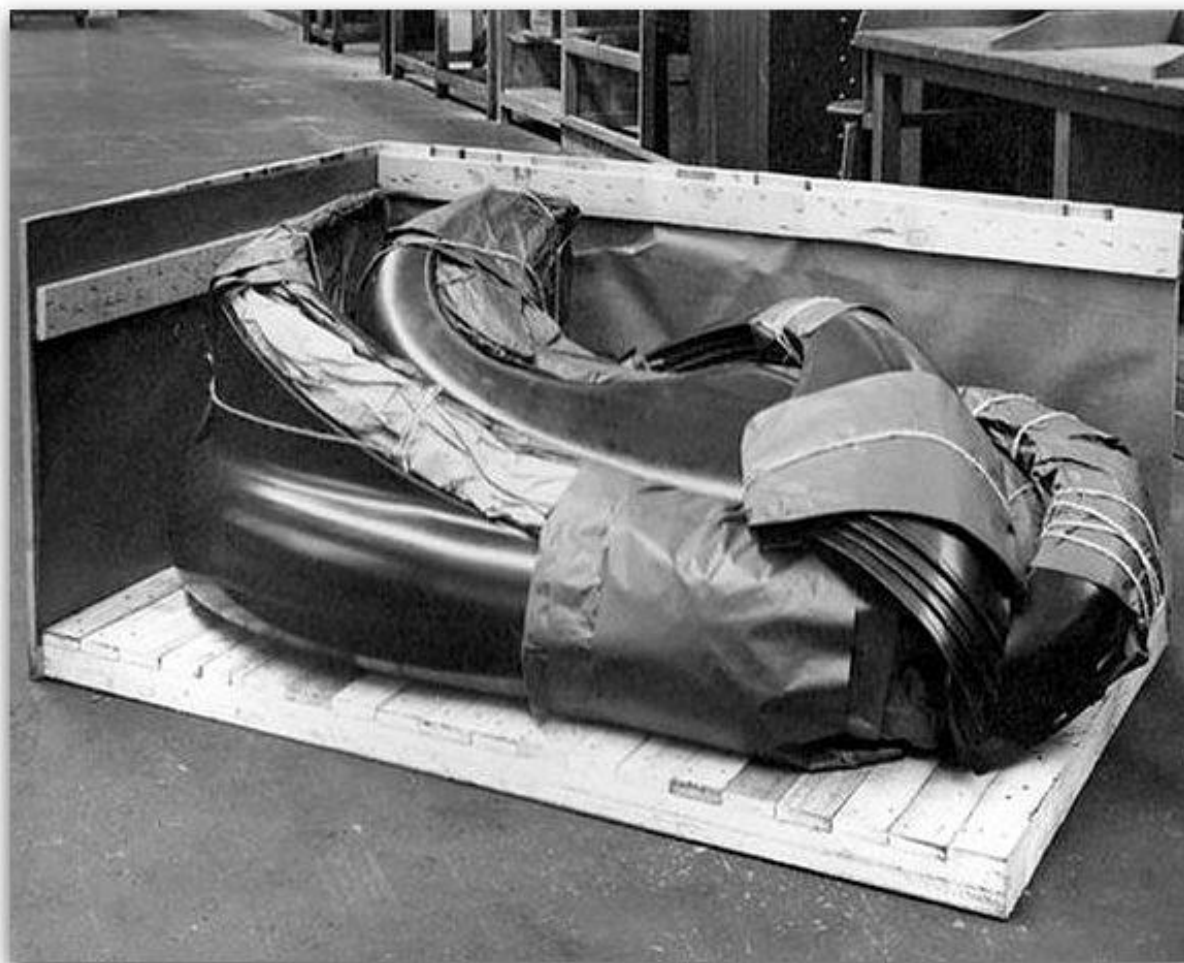


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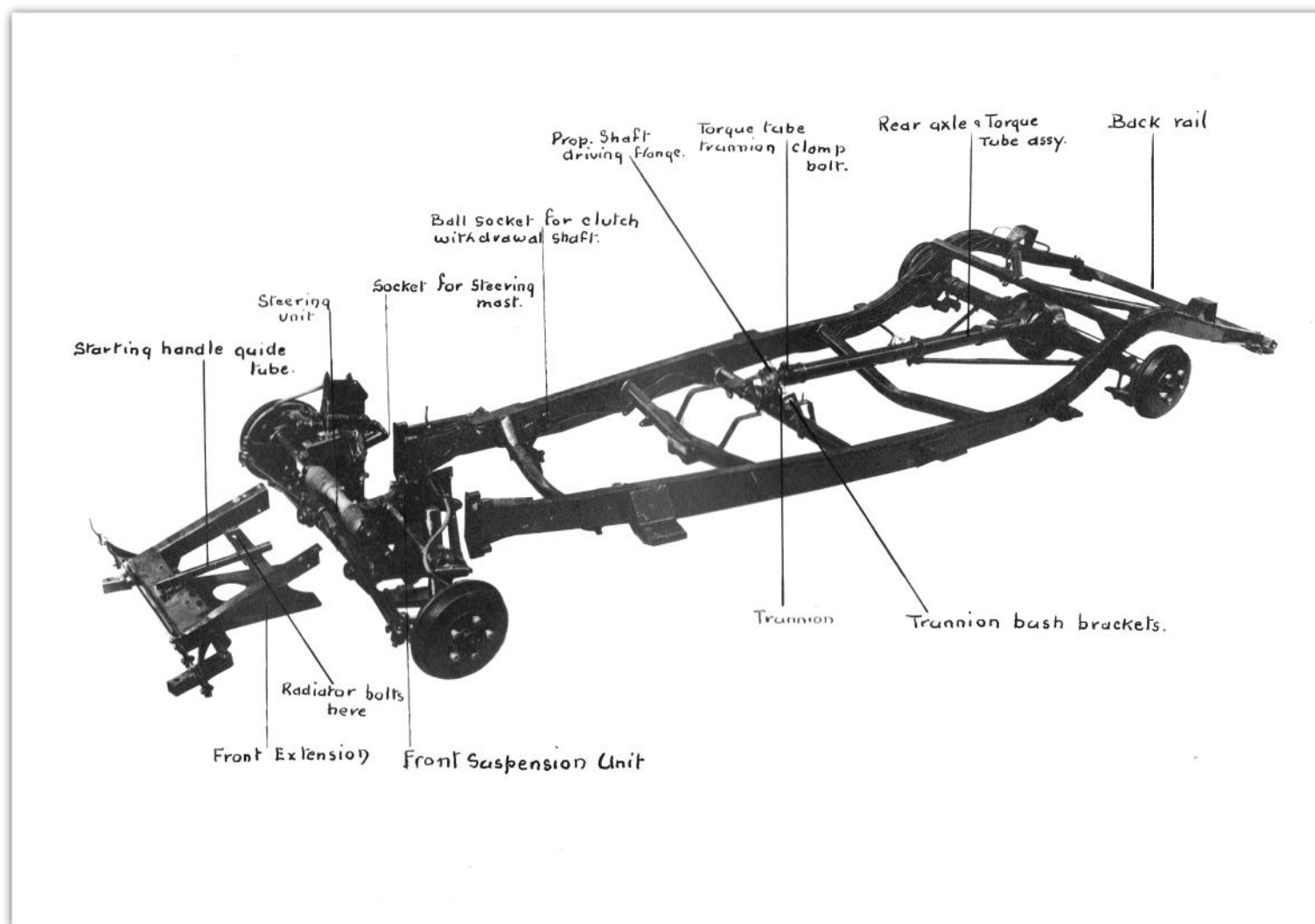


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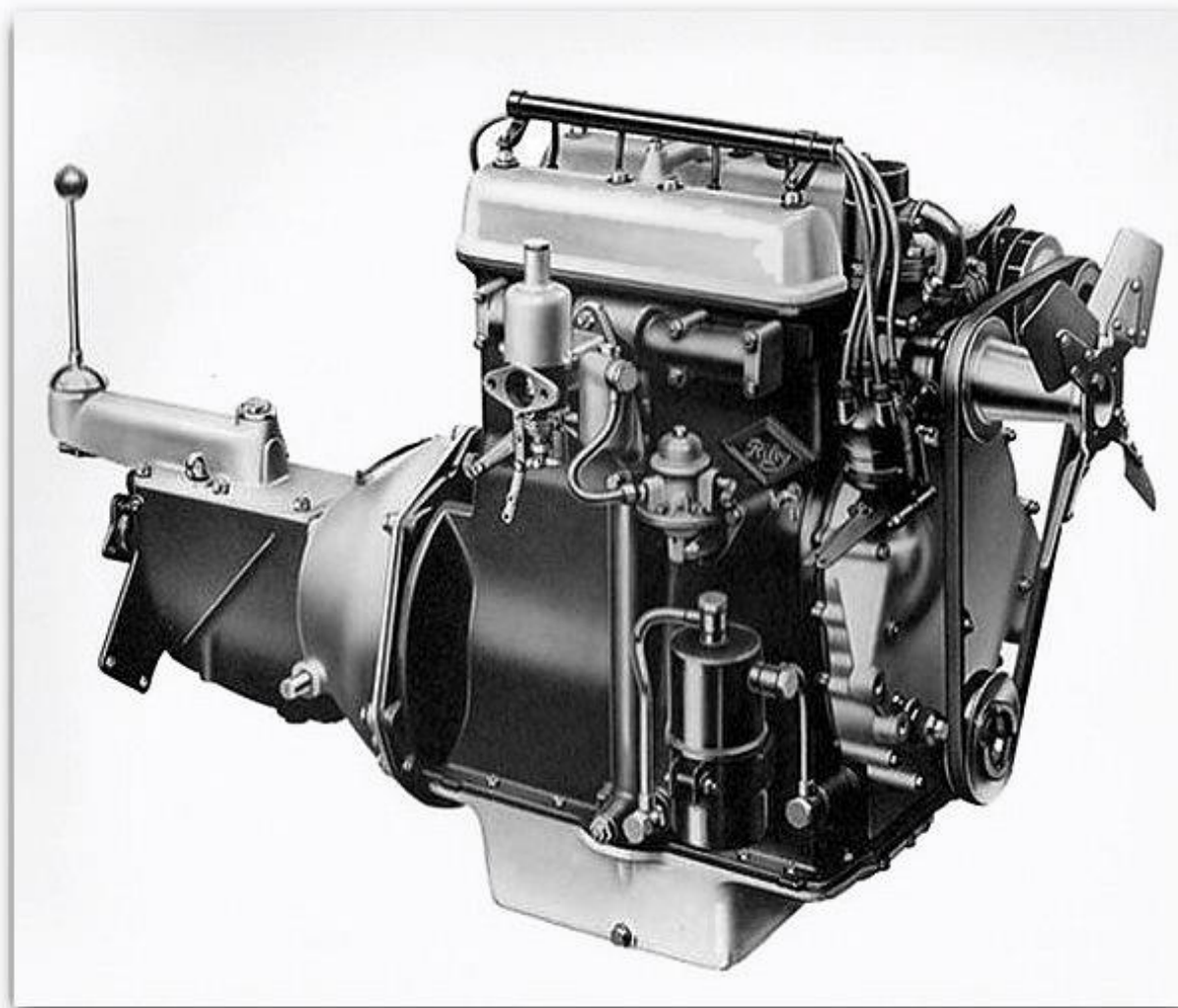


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Illustration 10



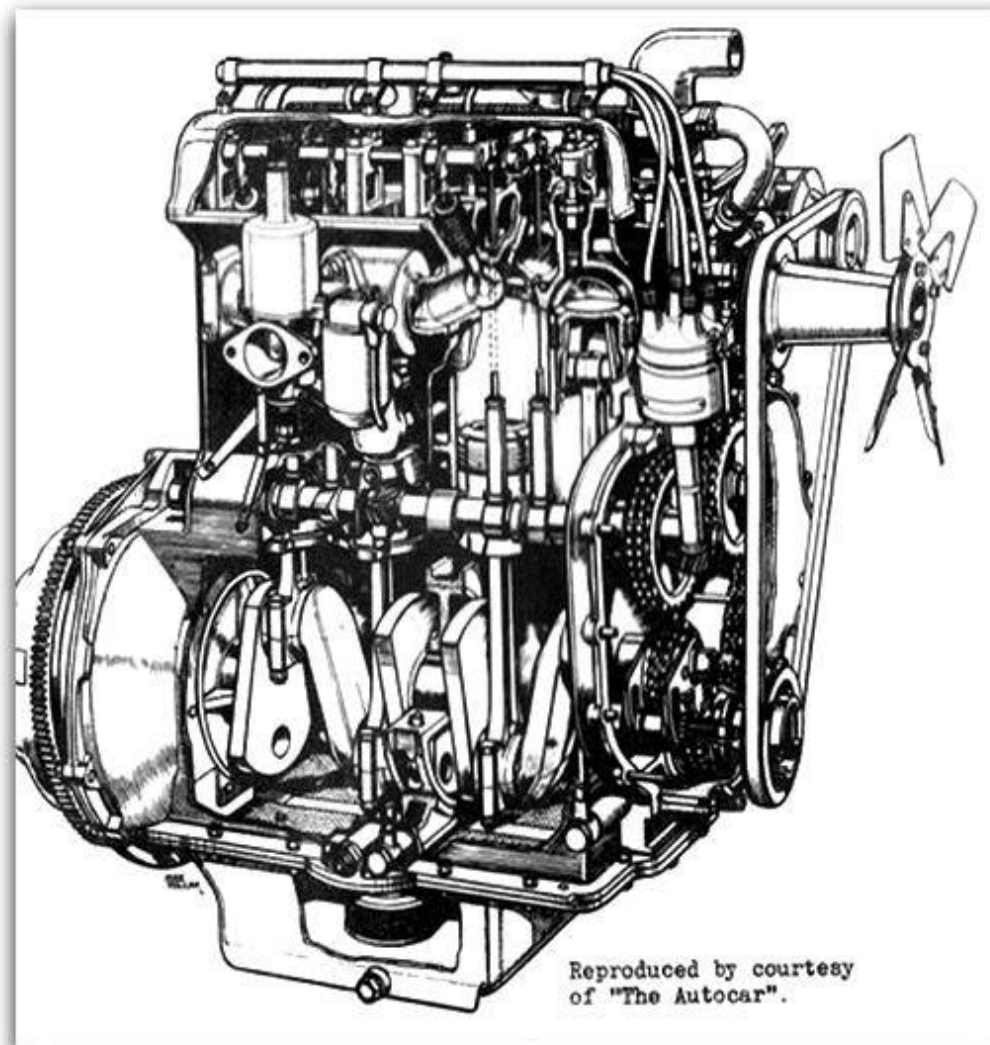


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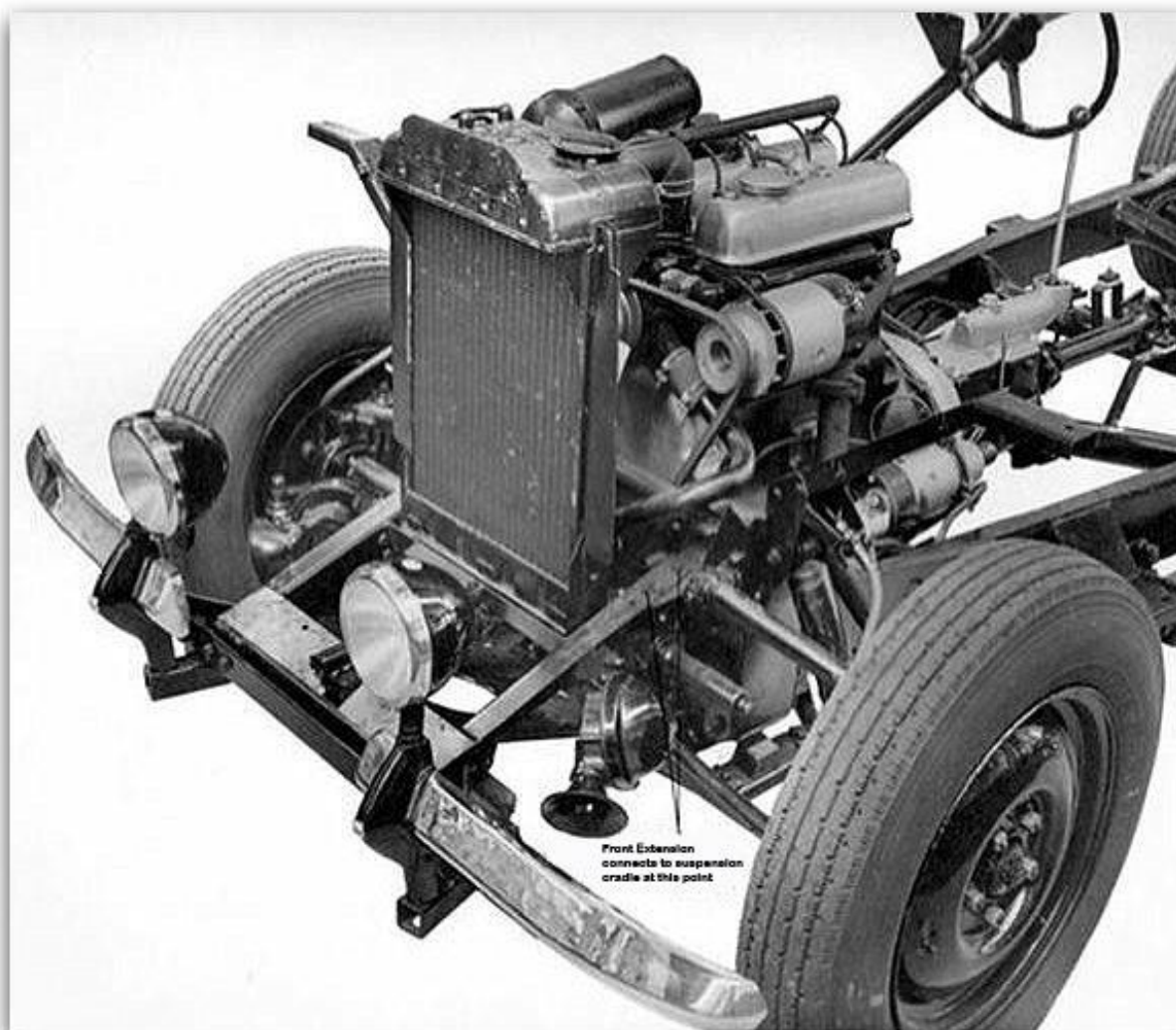


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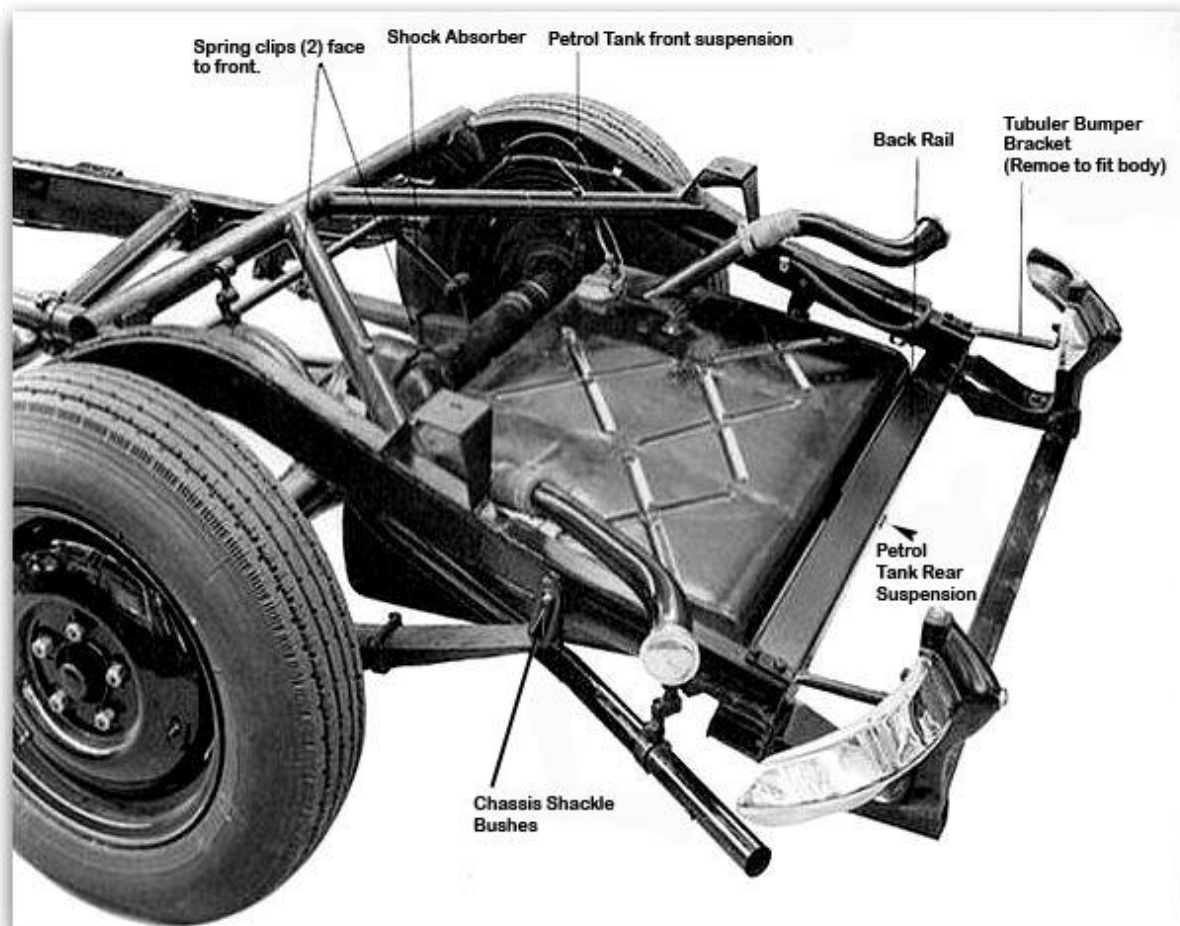


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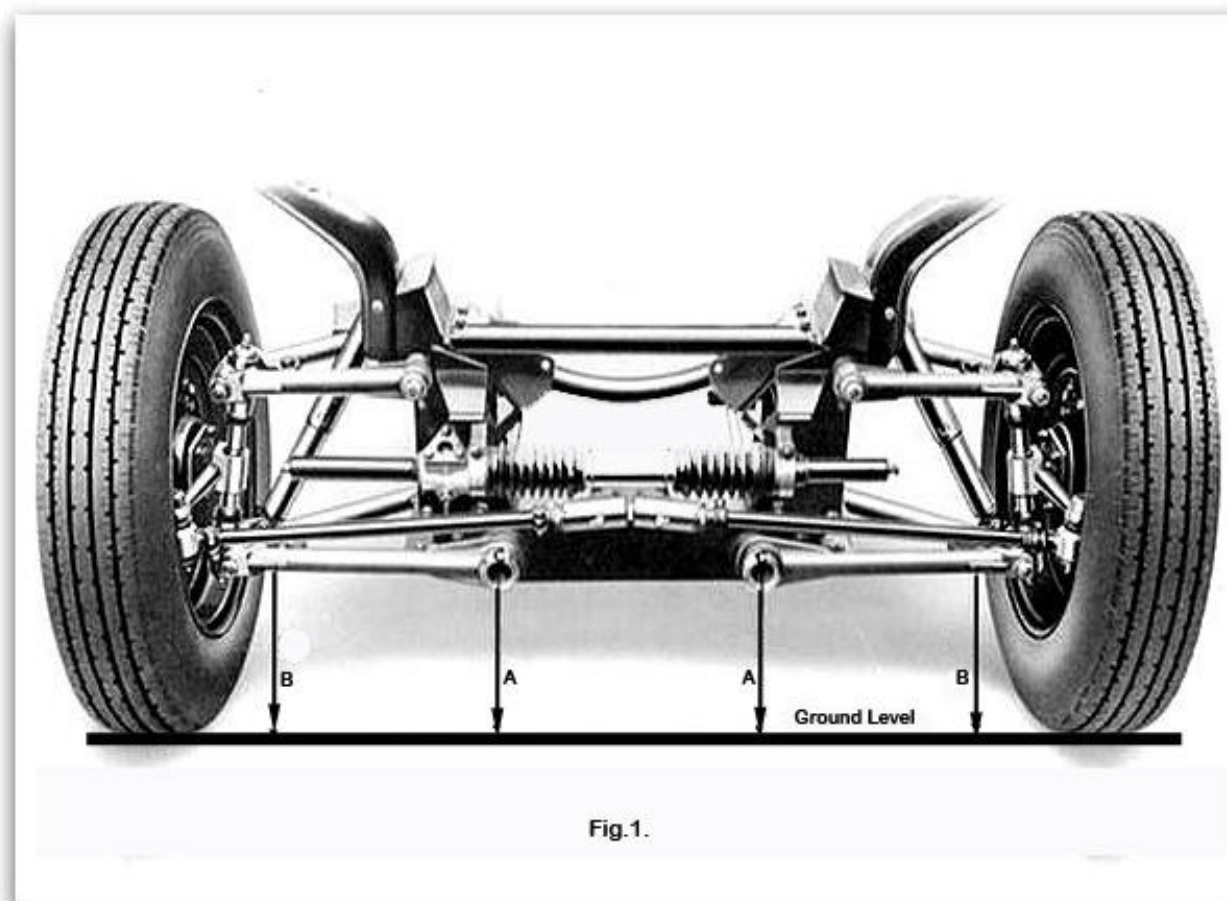


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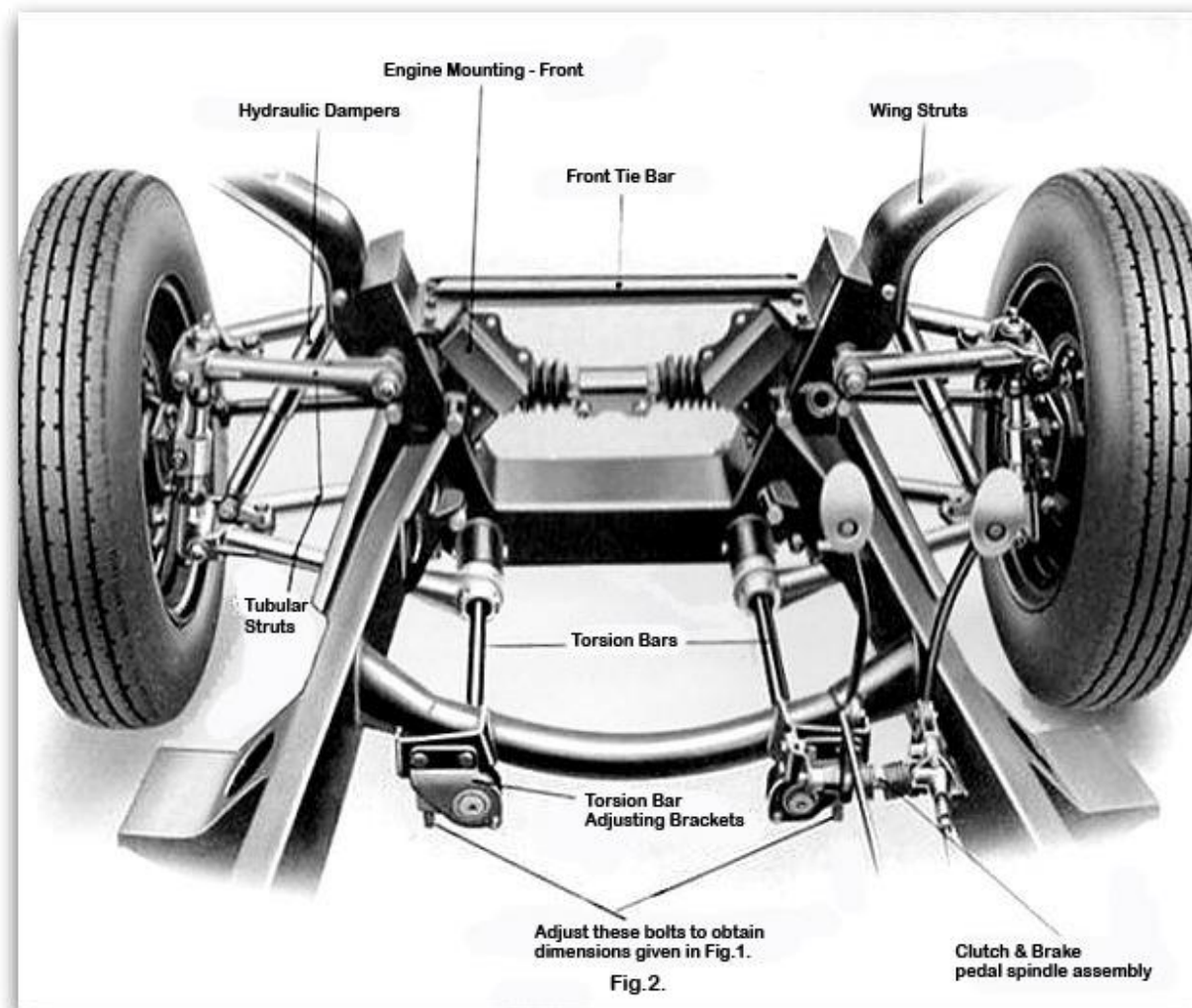


Illustration 15



