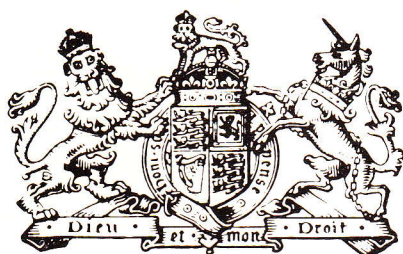


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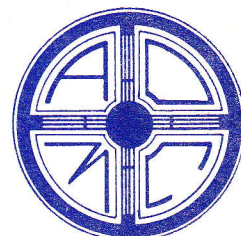
The **HUMBERETTE**



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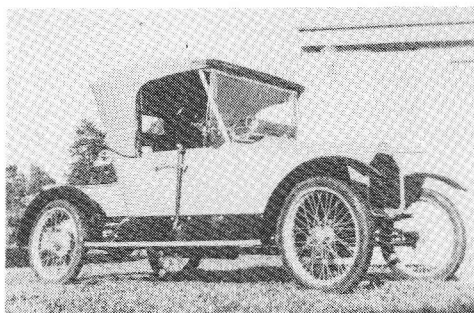
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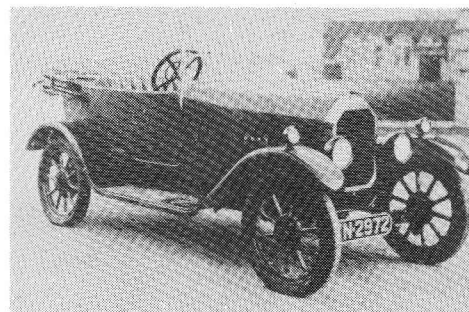
March 25th	General Meeting	July 22nd	General Meeting
March 27th	M.G. Concours	August 14th	Talhoff Restaurant, Warburton.
April 25th	Anzac Day March	August 26th	General Meeting
April 31st (Sat)	Camberwell Chamber of Commerce May Festival	September 23rd	General Meeting
May 15th	Air Museum Point Cook	September 11th	President's Run (Mystery Trial)
May 27th	General Meeting	October 9th	Wolseley C.C. (Car Khana)
May 29th	Vintage Drivers Club Display and Swapmeet, R.M. Showgrounds	October 28th	General Meeting
June 11th to 13th	Echuca Steam Rally	November 6th	Concours d'Elegance
June 24th	General Meeting	November 12th/13th	Bendigo Swap MEET!!!
July 10th	Roast on the Spit	November 26th (Sat)	Presentation Night (no general meeting)
	Williamstown Primary School	December 4th	Christmas Run (no general meeting)

The Club meets on the Fourth Friday of the month (except December) at 8.00 p.m., in the Deepdene Park Hall, Whitehorse Road, Deepdene.

INTERESTING EARLY HUMBERS

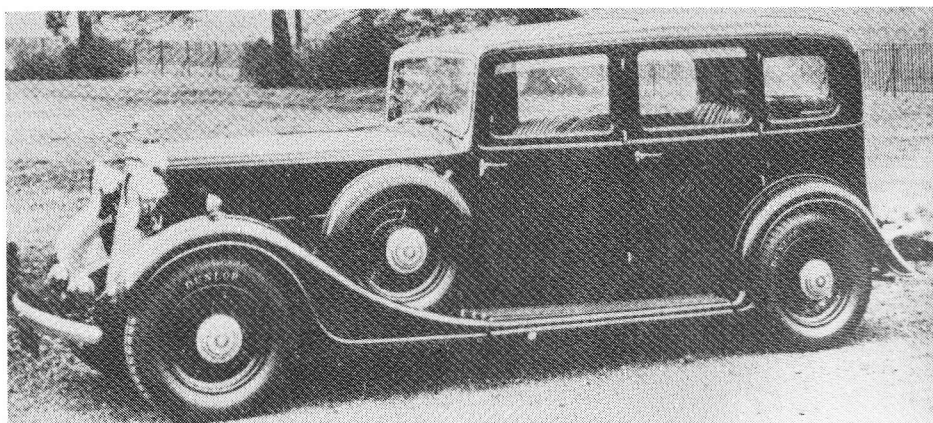


1912 HUMBERETTE
4 cylinder
side valve



1923 HUMBER 8/18
4 cyl. o.h. inlet
side exhaust.
985 c.c. 7'10½" wheel base.

1933/34 SNIPE 80
6 cyl. side valve
3498 c.c.
10ft and 10'4" wheel base



*Similar cars owned by
Norm Watt, Doug Shone
and Lloyd Hughes.*

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

On the 4th Friday of February every year our Club's Financial Year closes and I must say I have enjoyed my term as President and the growth the club has seen in the last 12 months. We now have 100 members which is quite an achievement.

Even more spectacular is the upsurge in activity by those Humber Tasmanians! Suddenly we have about 30 enthusiasts and prospective members on the Apple Isle. Under the guidance of that keen and energetic fellow Ross Bromley, this group envisages formation of a sub-branch to operate with some assistance from the Victorian Club. If they keep growing at that rate Victoria may become a sub-branch of Tasmania!

Congratulations Ross. Great oaks from little acorns grow. I hope you get as much satisfaction from starting the Tassie Club as I did from forming the Victorian one.

Well with February comes our annual election of office-bearers and we're adding a couple of new positions this year, to cope with extra activities and a larger membership. The new jobs are Publicity Officer and Membership Registrar. We seem to have at least one prospective candidate for most jobs with the singular exception of Social Secretary.

April has indicated her desire to retire from the position, which is one of the most important in the Club. Please, all members give this your earnest consideration. Can you assist us in running the social functions? Do you know someone in the club who could? Would you be prepared to work as Assistant Social Secretary as that position is also vacant?

Although we are first and foremost a Car Club it is the social side that keeps the club together and maintains continuity throughout the year, so we seek an active and enthusiastic member to carry on the good work done by April.

To all other 1983 Committee members I must convey my thanks on behalf of the whole club. Particularly, I would thank Margaret Willimott who has borne the bulk of the work and was ably assisted by Keith. In any club I feel the Secretary's task is the most demanding and Margaret's efficient work has paid off with a stronger and more active club.

Our financial position has also reached a high point thanks to Peter Shelden's work as Treasurer. Also I must thank Bill Holmes for deputising for me on a number of occasions and for organising (together with Joan) the venue for the Annual Dinner at Williamstown.

Two other behind-the-scenes workers who must not be forgotten are our Technical Officer, Tom McAlpine and the Club Librarian, Paul Carter, both of whom render valuable assistance to those who are restoring vehicles. An "ex-officio" committee man who tried to get away from his telephone advisory service and spare parts helping-hand job this year was Bob Kennedy. Thanks for continuing to help Bob, even though you'd officially stepped down from the committee.

Before closing a vote of thanks is due to our Editor, Jack Waring and his assistant Barry Bosnick. The Editor's task is not an easy one. Often he is held up by late contributions of material, typing difficulties, etc., and certainly the task involves a great deal of physical work in collating pages, writing envelopes, bundling bulk mail and getting it to the P.O. on time. Thanks Jack.

I now extend a welcome to the incoming committee and my best wishes for a successful club year in 1984, following the meeting on the 24th.

Happy, Humbering,

LLOYD HUGHES

MINUTES OF GENERAL MEETING OF HCCV HELD AT DEEPDENE HALL ON 27/1/84

The President opened the meeting at 8.30 p.m. and welcomed the 26 members present. A special welcome was extended to new members. Rob Dunlop - Series 5A Snipe, David Dunlop - Vogue Sports, Series II, Robert Smith - Series IV Snipe.

Apologies: Bill and Joan Holmes, Syd and Gwen Humphries, Bob Bruce, Kelvin Hughes, Peter Shelden.

Minutes: Minutes of the October Meeting, as presented in the Nov/Dec Newsletter were accepted as read, moved Peter Davenport, seconded Bob Kennedy.

Business Arising: Held over to general business.

Correspondence: Out M. Jackson, Daylesford - re Inter-Car Club Exhibition and Daylesford Club Outing
Dept. of Premier - re Australia Day Pageant
AOMC - re British Motoring Show
Membership Applications - K. Rowlinson, R. Cane, J. Moroney, E. Hurstep

In Vintage Driver's Club; Upwey Urban Fire Brigade;
L. Murray and G. Wilson (Cars for sale);
D. Shone, L. Bennett (Queensland Club);
P. Middendorp, Austin Motor Vehicle Club;
Classic & Historic Automobile Club;
M.G. Club; M.B. Sandall (Qld.)
4 Applications for membership;
Newsletters received from: C.H.A.C.A., Austin M.V.C.
Wolseley CC, Chevrolet CC, Daimler/Lanchester, Humber
CC of Australia, N.Z. and South Australia.

Treasurer's Report: On Peter's behalf the Secretary reported a balance of \$734 shown on the last bank statement.

Social Secretary's Report:

Librarian's Report: Paul asked that members requesting material to be brought to club meetings please endeavour to pick it up.

Editor's Report: Jack stated 129 Newsletters had been sent out this month, including the complimentary copies to Tasmania.

General Business: Jack Waring reported that Surrey Motors were willing to loan their copies of Humber Manuals to the Club providing return of these could be assured. Members were asked to note the 1984 Club Calendar particularly events arranged for February and March. We will be meeting with the organizers of the cancelled Daylesford Exhibition at our February outing. Prompt arrival at the assembly point was requested. Secretary announced that pre-booked tickets for the British Motoring Show are available until Monday January 30th. These are necessary to obtain a souvenir badge. Members were asked whether they wished to retain the existing Newsletter Cover for the next 12 months or would prefer a cheaper version. Current covers cost approx. 21 cents each when purchased last March. After a lively discussion with many suggestions being made Peter Davenport moved that the existing cover be retained with space for advertisements and committee determine content of front cover interior. Seconded by Bob Kennedy and carried. Club badges are still available for sale. Some suggestion re key rings being purchased. T-Shirts should be available by Thursday February 2nd 12 members indicated a desire to purchase same.

All members planning to attend the National Rally should return booking forms direct to the Rally organiser Laurie Bennett.

After much consideration it was decided that the Annual Meeting should be held at our usual meeting hall.

Des Judd moved that a special night meeting should be arranged at Shannon's Classic Car Centre if available.

Seconded by Paul Carter. Carried.

The question of holding a general meeting at Deepdene Hall on the 4th Friday in November was raised. Gary Rowland moved, Des Judd seconded a motion to this effect - motion passed with 16 in favour.

Des Judd informed members that disc pads for Series Snipes were becoming hard to get.

Bob Kennedy announced cars for sale -

- 2 x 3/4 ton ex-army Humber Trucks \$2000 for both.
- rear window rubbers x spare parts for MK II Snipes.
- MK II Ambulance at Yass.

Bob also requested that newsletter be proof read before printing and layout be arranged to utilize all the paper.

The possibility of professional production was suggested as Newsletter was often the Club's only image with country members.

Des Judd announced details of a Series III for sale at \$500 ONO Lindsay Brownell offered many Series IV parts for sale, due to his car being recently involved in an accident.

Adelaide and Harold Underwood also offered Series V panels.

There being no further business, the President closed the meeting at 9.50 p.m. Supper concluded the evening.

SECRETARY'S NOTES

With the Annual Meeting only days away, now is probably an ideal time to re-cap on some of the highlights of the 1983 Club year.

During this time 28 new members have swelled our numbers to within reach of the magical 100. It is interesting to note that nearly half of these, 28 come from Victorian country regions. Combine this with the 20 + members from the newly formed Tasmanian Sub-branch and it all adds up to a strongly developing club.

Let's hope we can keep up the strength in 1984 ... but that will only happen if everyone's interest can also be maintained (or maybe stimulated). So please "ring, write or rally round" and let your new committee know just what you would like to see included in the year's activities. Better still, join the committee yourself ... that's where most of the decision making occurs!

During the year, members (or their cars) have Displayed at concourses, Dined at Warburton, Driven at Echuca, Dealt-a-bargain at Bendigo, Discovered new friends and generally Delighted (I hope) in the fun and companionship that the Club has to offer.

If you haven't been to an outing or a meeting yet, then let 1984 be the year to start. We're all there to help each other and the opportunity to discuss your car with other owners of the same model can often help to solve mutual problems.

There are two items for your attention this month - firstly the all important National Rally Report which appears in this issue. If you're going and haven't returned your form, better do so pronto!

There's no official accommodation left but you may be able to book into one of the other caravan parks or motels. There is also another car club rallying at Dubbo over Easter so you might find yourself rolling out your sleeping bag on the roadside if you don't act fast!

The other item of note is the comment made by Des Judd at our last meeting regarding disc brake pads for series snipes. These are apparently becoming increasingly hard to get and it is therefore advisable to hang on to your old ones as some of the specialist brake and clutch firms are offering a re-facing service. Always remember the warning about asbestos dust and its dangers when working with these parts.

This will be the last time I write as 1983 Secretary and I would like to thank all members who have come along and supported the Club during the year. To the country members who have contributed letters and articles to the magazine, in particular Norma and Stan Paley, Doug Shone, Tom McAlpine and Peter Norman ... and to all those who have supported our fund-raising efforts ... thank you!

Also to Bob for his magnificent salesmanship on the trading table, to the providers of our welcome cuppa, especially Nancy and Joan, to Des who has collected the mail and to all fellow committee and club members for their help ... my personal thanks.

Please come along to our Annual Meeting, even if it's only to support those members who are willing to stand for election. It was decided to hold the meeting at our usual venue and arrange a special night to Shannon's Classic Car Centre later in the year.

See you at Deepdene on the 24th.

MARGARET

"A SAD LOSS". The Club was saddened to learn of the death this week of one of the Club's most valuable members, "Someone Else". Someone's passing creates a vacancy that will be difficult to fill. Else has been with the club since its beginning. He did far more than a normal person's share of the work. Whenever there was a job to do, a social function to attend, funds to be raised, or a meeting to attend, one name was on everyone's lips. "Let 'Someone Else' do it."

It was common knowledge that "Someone Else" was among the largest contributors of his time to the club, whenever there was a need for volunteers, everyone just assumed Someone Else was a wonderful person - sometimes appearing superhuman but a person can only do so much. Were the truth known, everyone expected too much of "Someone Else".

This year it is up to all members, no matter how long you have been in the club, to help our club plan on and be a success. Elections are with us again so don't run for cover, have a go, and remember if you don't know how to do something, ask! That is how most of the other people learnt. You may be surprised how many of those people didn't know, or thought they didn't know, how to help the club or hold a position on the committee.

BOB KENNEDY

FEBRUARY CLUB OUTING

Hot, blustery conditions were the order of the day for our Club Run to Daylesford.

The trip however, gave us an opportunity to meet with some of the country members whom we don't see so often. Tom and Lyn McAlpine from Moe had "Henrietta", their MK I Snipe out for the day, as did Les and Bev. Lindorff and family across from Ballarat. Sorry you had such a search to find us Les - I'll trust my own judgement in the future! Nice also to see Ian and Joy McCorkelle with family and their Series IV from Bendigo. There will soon be enough Bendigo district members to consider arranging their own small group outings.

How many members know Ron and Eleanor Forth - long - time club supporters who could well be dubbed "the quiet achievers" when it comes to attending club outings? Ron rarely misses an outing and his MK IV Hawk was looking as dazzling as ever.

Also in attendance was Joan and Bill Holmes - Bill looking fit and well again following his bout in hospital.

We were joined for lunch by Marlene Jackson, ex-Chev. Club member and now residing in Daylesford. All in all, despite the flies, dust and total fire ban, an enjoyable and restful day was had by everyone.

Members attending:

Barry Bosnick and family ... Series IV	Tom and Lyn McAlpine ... MK I
Bob Bruce and Marge ... Series VA	Vic & Glad Wilson ... Series IV
Ian & Daphne Fazacherley ... Series IV	Bob & Nancy Kennedy ... Series V Estate
Ian and Joy McCorkelle ... Series IV	Les & Bev Lindorff ... MK II
Joan and Bill Holmes ... Series VA	Ron & Eleanor Forth ... MK IV Hawk
Peter Davenport ... Series VA	Keith & Margaret Willimott ... Series II Vogue

NATIONAL RALLY REPORT

Rally booking forms are still coming in, however, Poplars Caravan Park has 1 vacant van left and the next van booking will fill the park. (Bookings just to hand - Poplars Caravan Park on-site vans now fully booked.)

As of 1st February, the management of the John Oxley Motel have been taking general bookings from non club people so I expect the Motel will be fully booked shortly as well. Numbers have now been set for the dinner at the R.S.L. Club and there are 10 spare places, after these are taken there are no more available. There are still some members I know to have booked into Motels who have not submitted an application form to me - this means they have no dinner booking. Bookings coming in after March 1st will be able to take part in the motorcade, Concours, Pride of ownership and all activities except the Saturday night dinner. However they may dine at the R.S.L. Club in the dining room if they desire. At this point, 40 cars and 91 people are coming. Poplars Caravan Park have agreed to charge for vans only for the nights booked, so if you have booked only 3 nights that is all you will have to pay for, but if you decide to extend your stay, you will have to make your own arrangements for the additional time.

LAWRIE BENNETT RALLY ORGANISER.

EDITOR - - - Sorry, I couldn't make the run last Sunday 12th February, just one of those things everything went wrong, for one, brake broke-down and had to fix that!

Glad to see Jean and Bill Holmes on Monday evening, trust things go well for you in the near future Bill.

Don't forget the swap at Churnside 26th February, never know what you'll find or for that matter what you have tucked away that someone else is looking for.

Hope you are all keeping an open date for the British Car Show, if its as good as the last one it will be most enjoyable.

Thanks to Lloyd and Pam for the BQ put on at Monday Meeting, also to all the other helpers, it made a really nice evening and even the weather behaved itself. Thanks again to you Pam and Lloyd.

Hope to see you all at our next meeting, 24th February, you should come because this is the meeting when Office Bearers for the next year are voted so why not come along and really show your support for the Club.

JACK

11/3/84

The M.G. Concourse, Warringal Park, Heidelberg.

At this we had quite a good turn out last time so lets have a better one this time.

TASMANIAN TOPICSNEWS FROM THE TASMANIAN SUB-BRANCH OF THE HUMBER CAR CLUB.

On the Australia Day long weekend 15 Humbers converged on the historic town of ROSS to hold a very successful meeting at which the Tasmanian Branch of the Humber Car Club was formed. It was agreed by all to become a sub-branch of the Humber Car Club of Victoria. Great enthusiasm was shown by everybody who attended. Eight cars, including two from the North-West Coast (Max Heazlewood and family, Brian Lee and family) left the Cornwall Square Car Park in Launceston at 10 a.m. and travelled in convoy south to Perth. Here two more cars were picked up (Des King and wife, Dennis Viney & wife). On arrival at Ross we met another 5 cars who had travelled up from Hobart. We tramped en masse to the local historic watering hole for a most enjoyable lunch where we got to know everybody and tossed around a lot of ideas. I then informed everyone of the intentions of the newly informed Club. After a doubtful start, the weather turned out to be superb. For the first large gathering of Humbers in Tasmania it was noticed that a lot of effort had been taken in presenting the cars.

We will be having our next gathering on Easter Monday, April 23rd at Rutherglen Holiday Village, HADSPEN.

Hope to see everybody there on Easter Monday.

ROSS BROMLEY (for the HCC, Tasmania)

NOTICE : H.C.C. TASMANIA EASTER OUTING

We will be having a smorgasbord lunch at Rutherglen on Easter Monday. Would any member who requires lunch please ring Rutherglen Holiday Village and let them know. Accommodation at Rutherglen is booked out over Easter. Arrangements have been made for the car park.

Remember: "There's Safety in Humbers".

ROSS BROMLEY

People and Cars who attended Ross outing on 30th January, 1984.

Dennis Viney	Ser II Snipe	Bill Pierce	Ser V Snipe
Des King	" V "	Owen Wells	" V "
Warren Burgess	" IV "	Max Heazlewood	" V "
Brian Lee	" I "	Brian Jacobs	" IV "
Mike James	" MK IV Hawk	M. White	" V "
Ron Oliver	" IV Snipe	Ross Bromley	" III " Estate
Clive Alison	" IV "	Apologies received from:	
John Dean	" V "	Llew Weeding	
Peter Clarke	" IV "	David Yaxley	
		Robert Buttery	

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53 Hawk

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25/3/84

The British Car Show is at Flemington Race Course.
 This is not a concourse but just a show of cars of the past and present
 and how things have changed over the years.

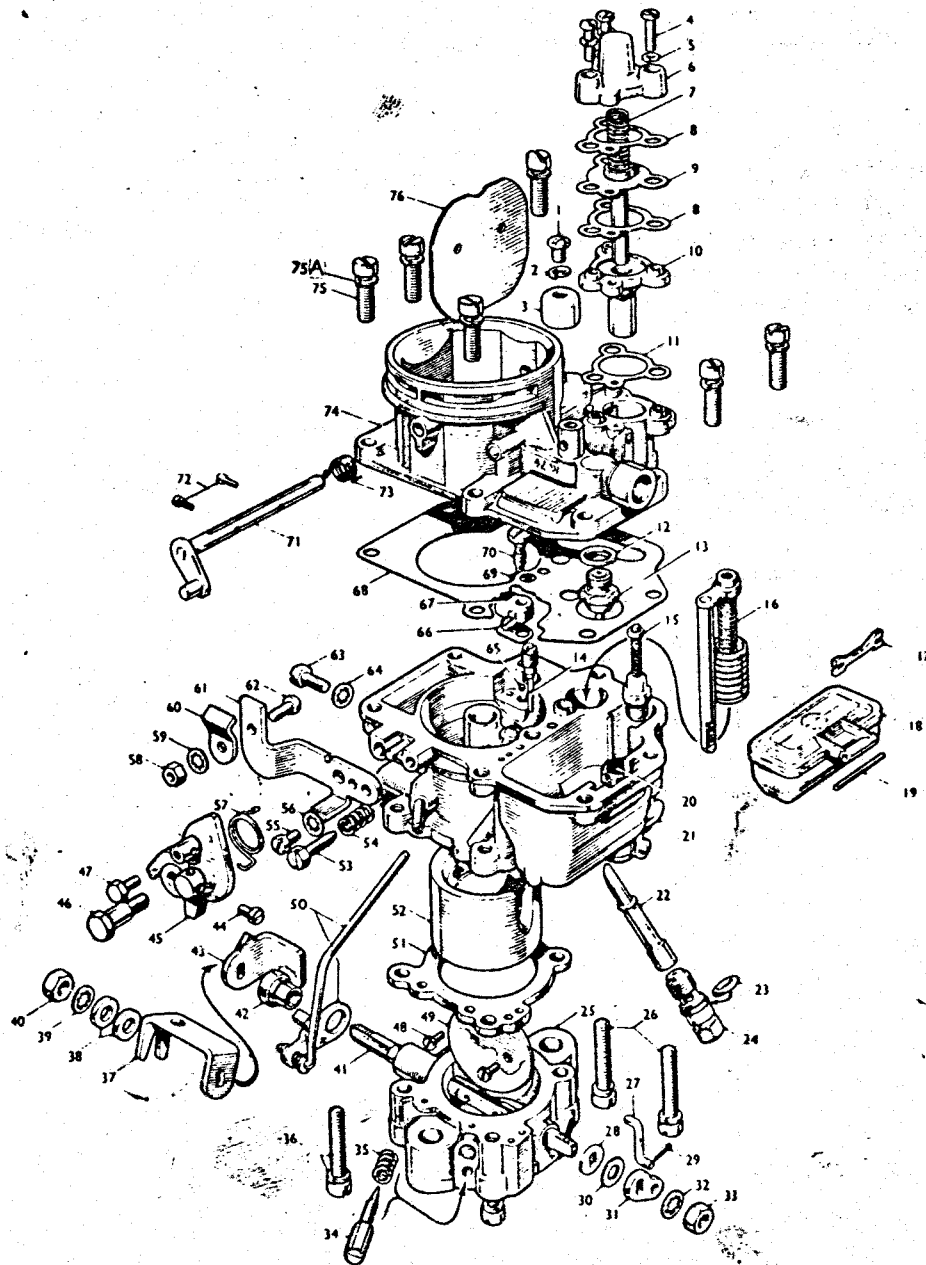
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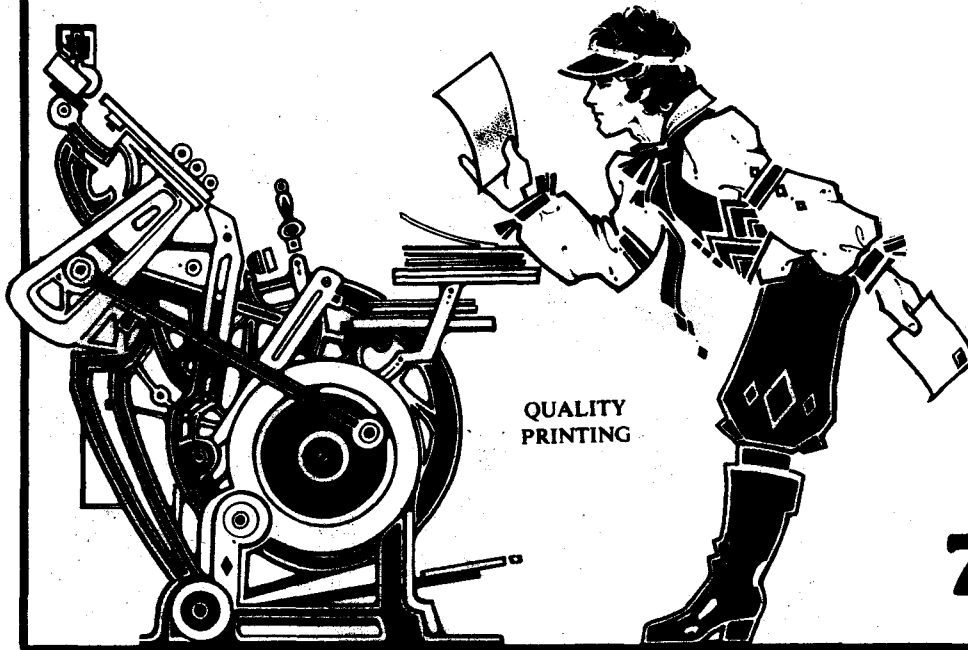
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