

Delco

Circuit Diagrams



—OF—

THE 1917 AUTOMBILE SYSTEMS

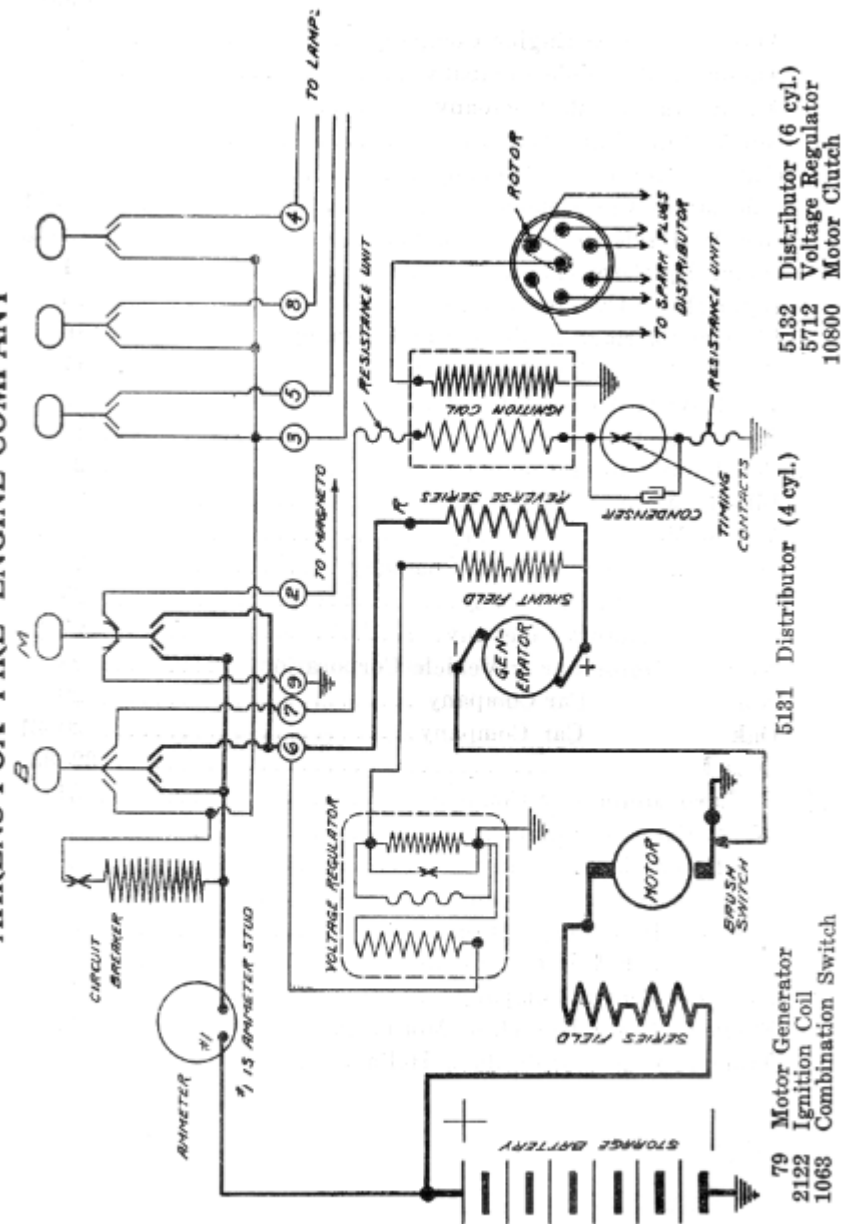
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This section of the Delco Service Manual contains the circuit diagrams of the Delco equipment which is known as 1917 apparatus. Some motor car manufacturers do not make it a practice to bring out a model every season, and in some instances the car model may not be known as a 1917 model.

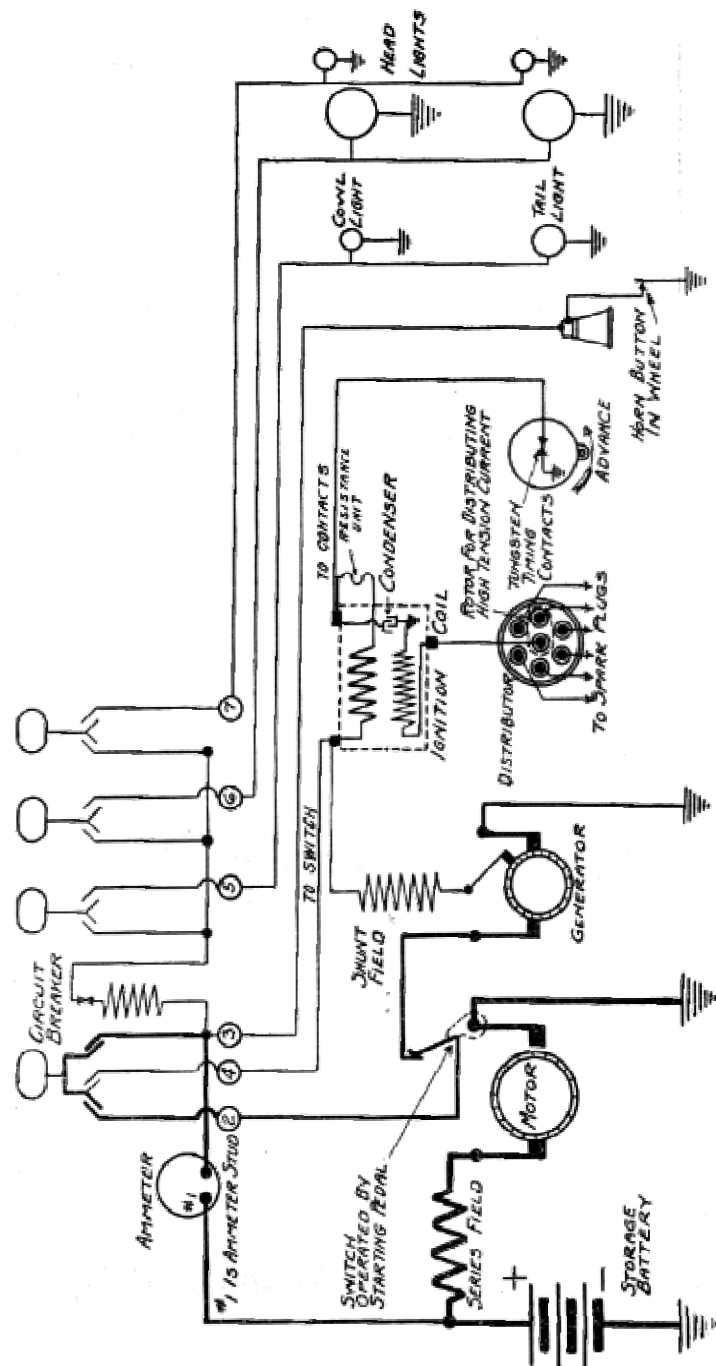
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AHRENS-FOX FIRE ENGINE COMPANY



AUBURN AUTOMOBILE COMPANY—MODEL 6-44



83 Motor Generator
1066 Combination Switch

2142 Ignition Coil
12225 Motor Clutch

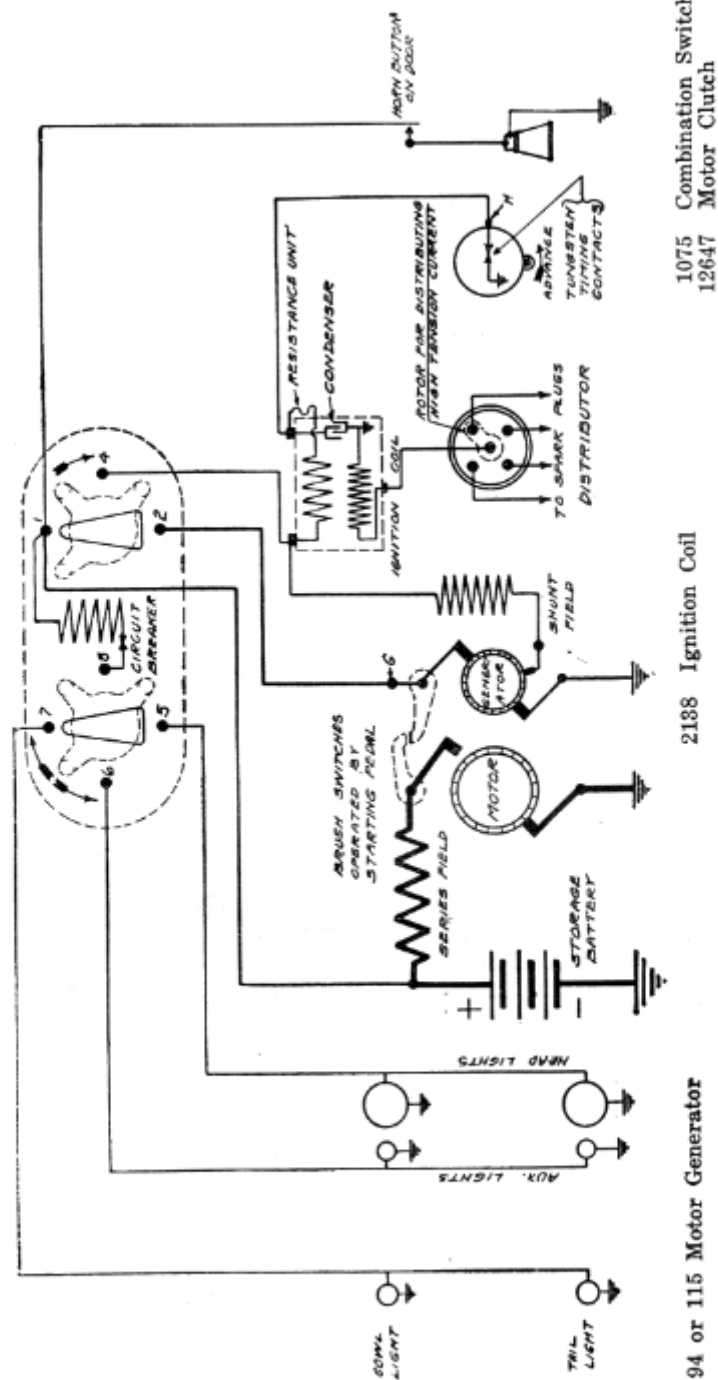
Diagram illustrating the electrical system of a vehicle, showing the connections between the battery, generator, motor, and various lighting and control components.

Components and Connections:

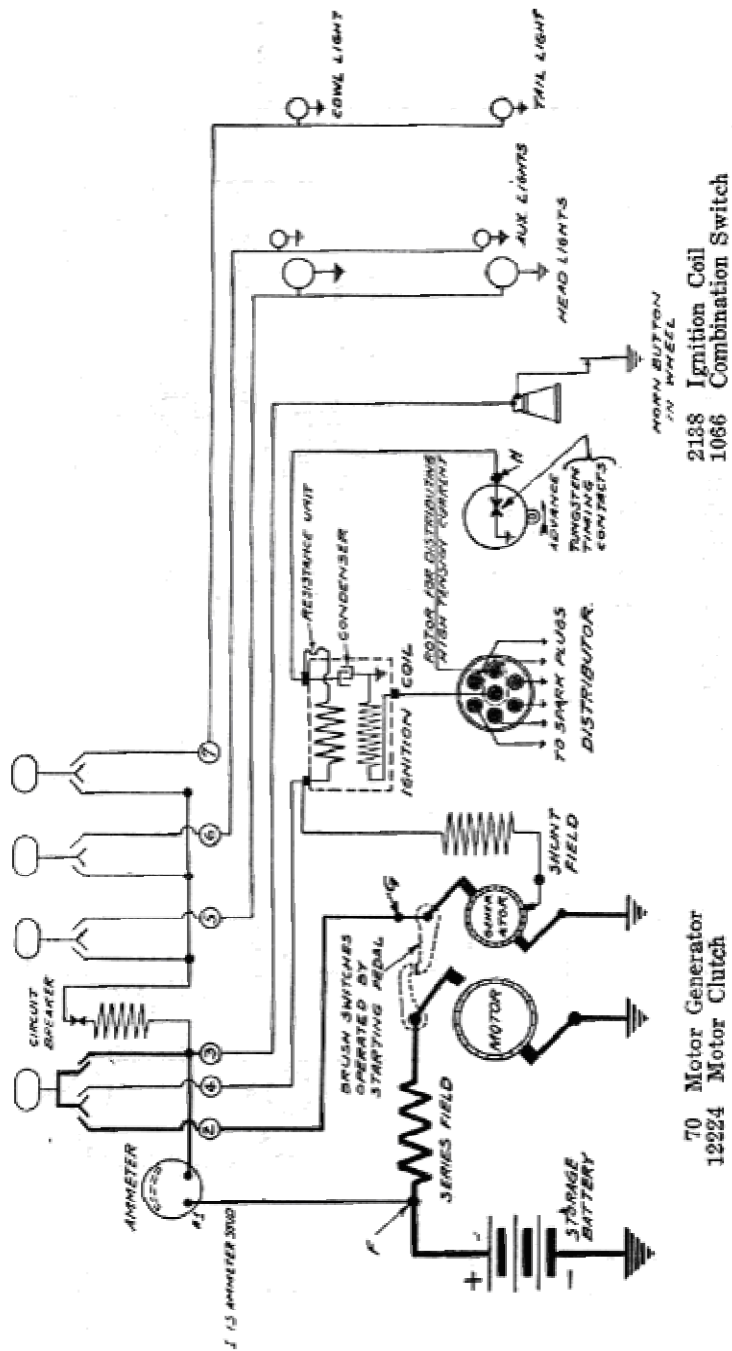
- Battery:** 300-CELL BATTERY (GROUND) connected to the positive terminal of the MOTOR SWITCH.
- Motor:** Connected to the negative terminal of the MOTOR SWITCH.
- Generator:** Connected to the positive terminal of the MOTOR SWITCH.
- Motor Switch:** Controls the flow of current to the motor and generator.
- Combination Switch:** A central switch with terminals 1 through 8, controlling various components:
 - Terminal 1: Connected to the positive terminal of the MOTOR SWITCH.
 - Terminal 2: Connected to the positive terminal of the MOTOR SWITCH.
 - Terminal 3: Connected to the positive terminal of the MOTOR SWITCH.
 - Terminal 4: Connected to the positive terminal of the MOTOR SWITCH.
 - Terminal 5: Connected to the positive terminal of the MOTOR SWITCH.
 - Terminal 6: Connected to the positive terminal of the MOTOR SWITCH.
 - Terminal 7: Connected to the positive terminal of the MOTOR SWITCH.
 - Terminal 8: Connected to the positive terminal of the MOTOR SWITCH.
- Lighting Components:**
 - CITY LIGHTS:** Connected to the positive terminal of the MOTOR SWITCH.
 - STRIDING LIGHTS:** Connected to the positive terminal of the MOTOR SWITCH.
 - COUNTRY LIGHTS:** Connected to the positive terminal of the MOTOR SWITCH.
 - COWL LIGHT:** Connected to the positive terminal of the MOTOR SWITCH.
- Control Components:**
 - HORN:** Connected to the positive terminal of the MOTOR SWITCH.
 - HORN BUTTON:** Connected to the positive terminal of the MOTOR SWITCH.
 - RESISTANCE UNIT:** Connected to the positive terminal of the MOTOR SWITCH.
 - AUTOMATIC CUTOUT:** Connected to the positive terminal of the MOTOR SWITCH.
 - COIL:** Connected to the positive terminal of the MOTOR SWITCH.
 - CONDENSER:** Connected to the positive terminal of the MOTOR SWITCH.
 - DISTRIBUTOR:** Connected to the positive terminal of the MOTOR SWITCH.
 - ROTOR FOR DISTRIBUTING HIGH TENSION CURRENT:** Connected to the positive terminal of the MOTOR SWITCH.

87	Generator	2123	Ignition Coil (2)	86	Motor
5715	Automatic Cut-Out	1085	Combination Switch	1965	Motor Switch
5136	Distributor			6064	Ammeter

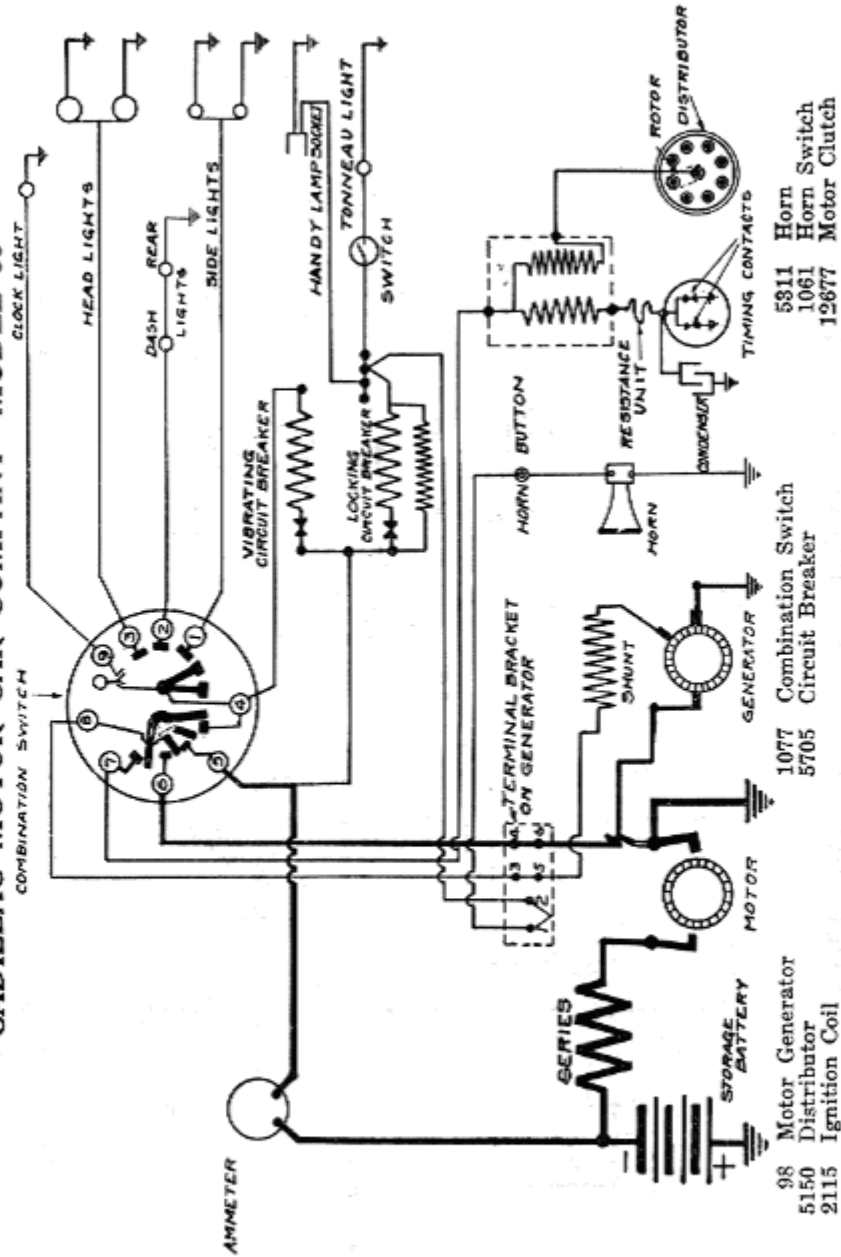
BUICK MOTOR COMPANY—MODELS D-34-35



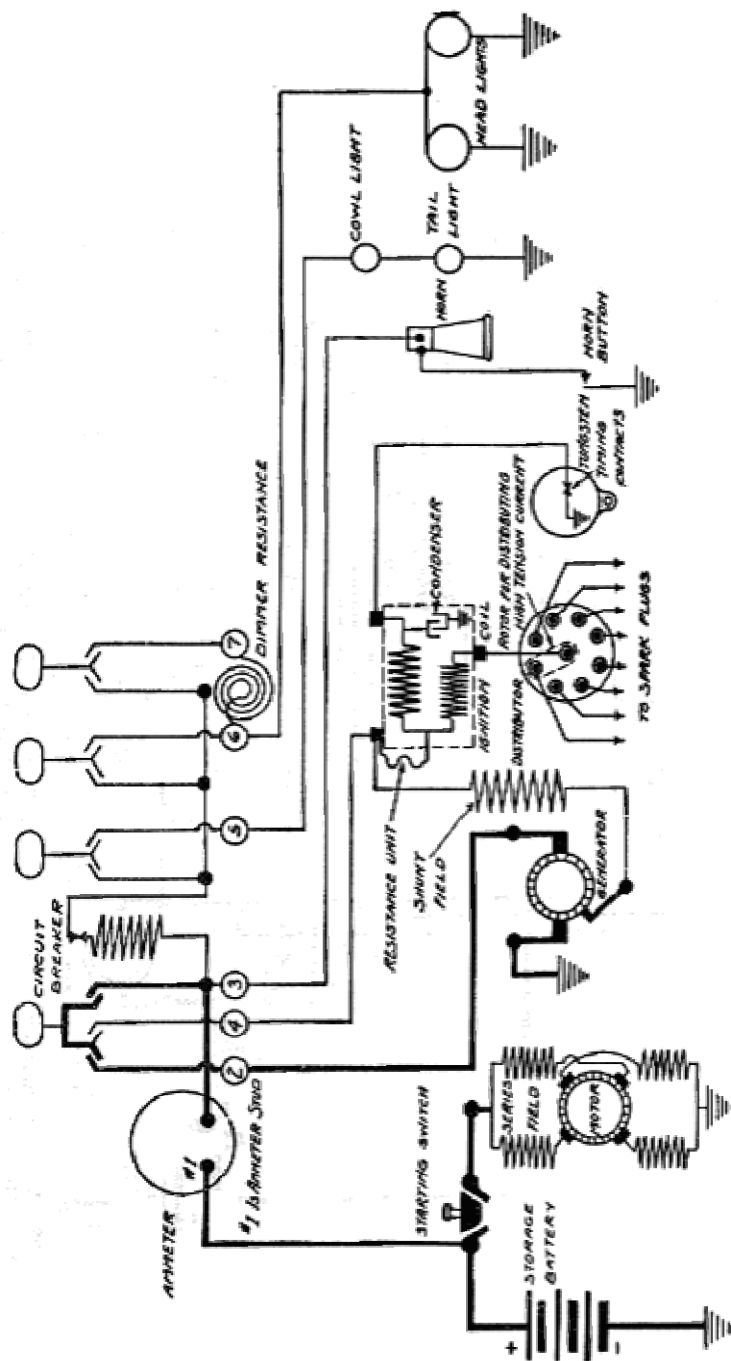
BUICK MOTOR COMPANY—MODELS D-44 45-46-47



CADILLAC MOTOR CAR COMPANY—MODEL 55



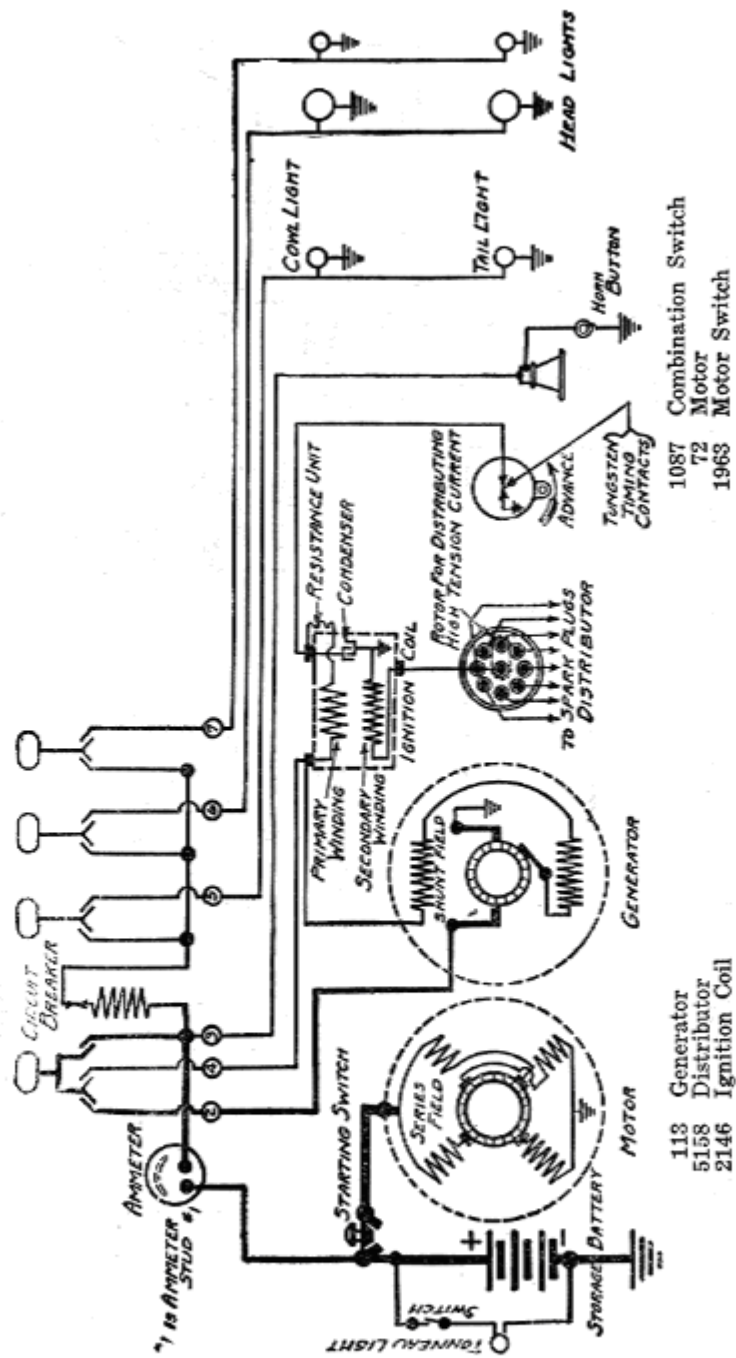
COLE MOTOR CAR COMPANY—MODEL 860



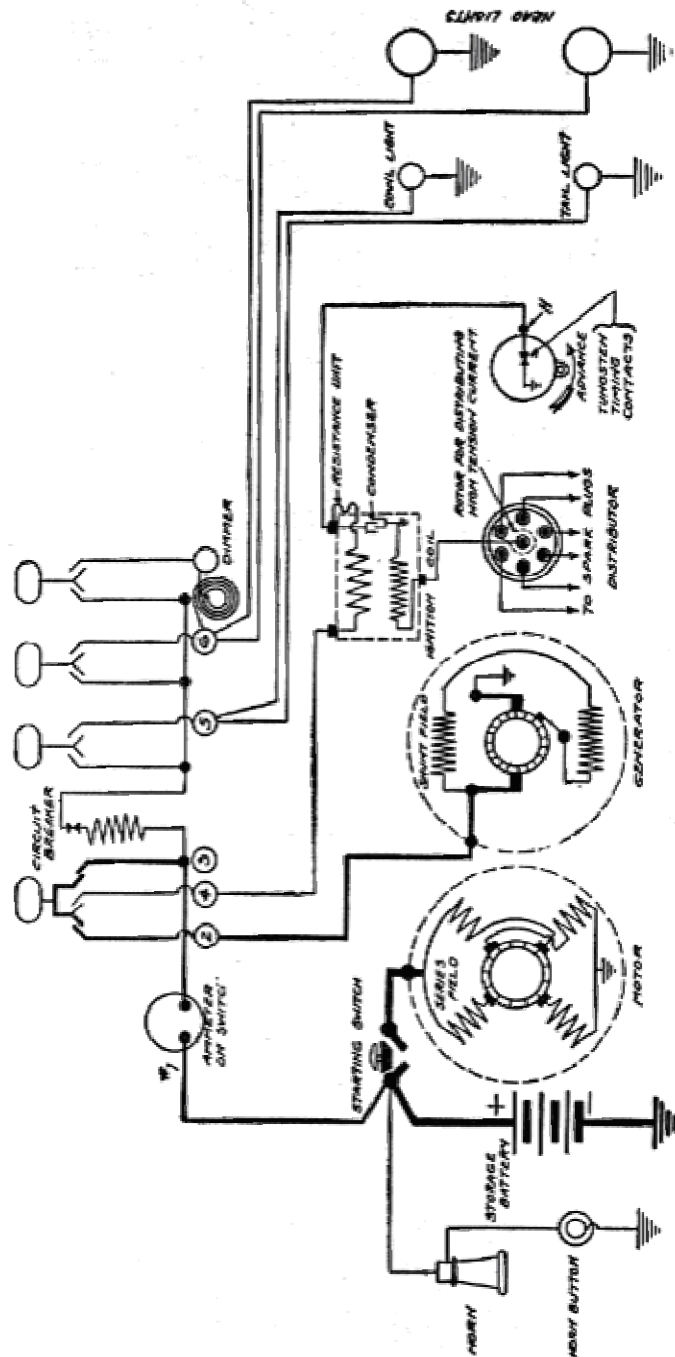
1067 Combination Switch
1963 Motor Switch
72 Motor

91 Generator
5153 Distributor
2123 Ignition Coil

COLE MOTOR CAR COMPANY—MODEL 880



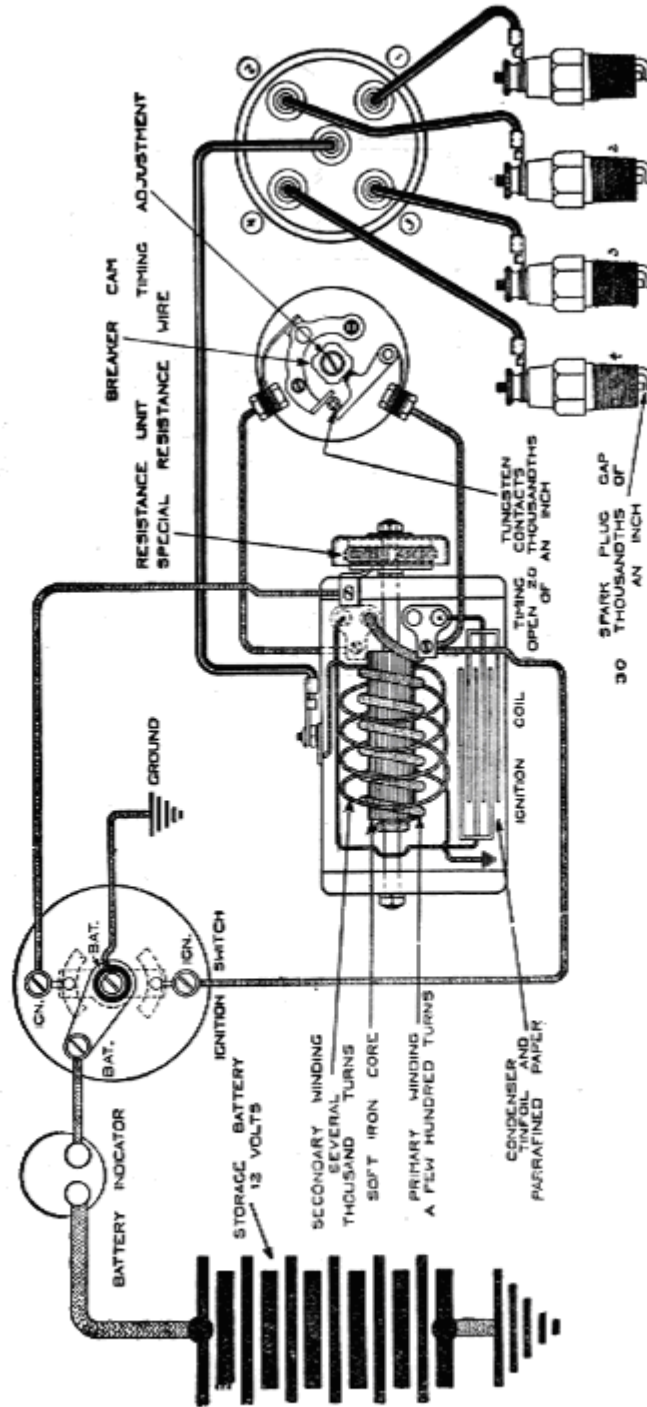
GEO. W. DAVIS MOTOR CAR COMPANY—MODEL 6-J



114 Generator
1067 Combination Switch
2139 Ignition Coil

102 Motor
1966 Motor Switch

DODGE BROTHERS

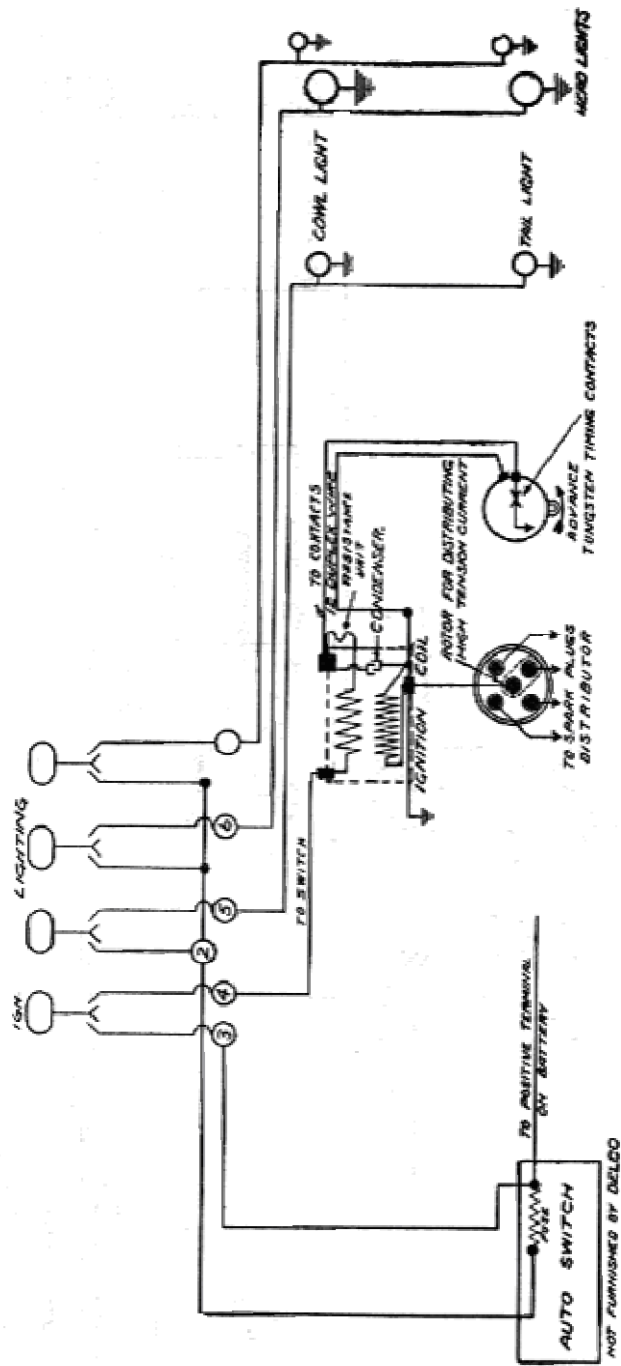


5151 Distributor, including Ignition Coil No. 2128

5148 Distributor	2138 Ignition Coil	1073 Combination Switch
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Note—Six cylinder distributor is used.

ELKHART CARRIAGE & MOTOR CAR COMPANY

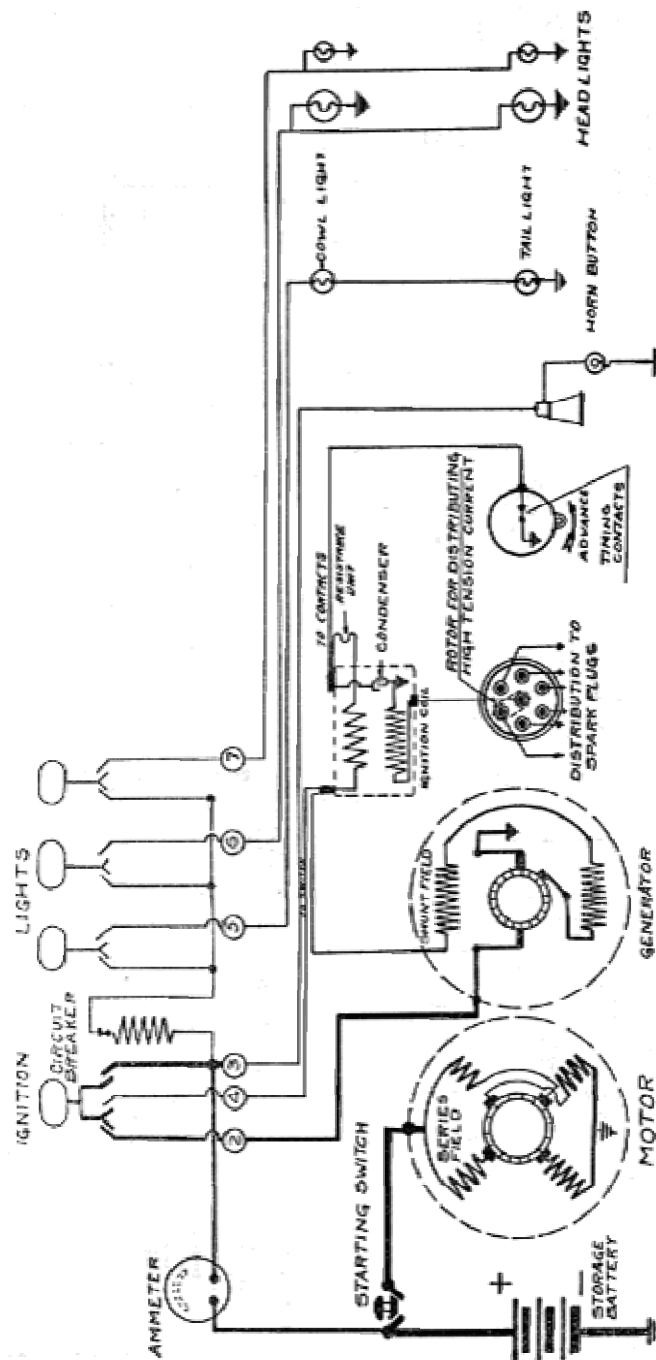


5141 Distributor

2118 Coil

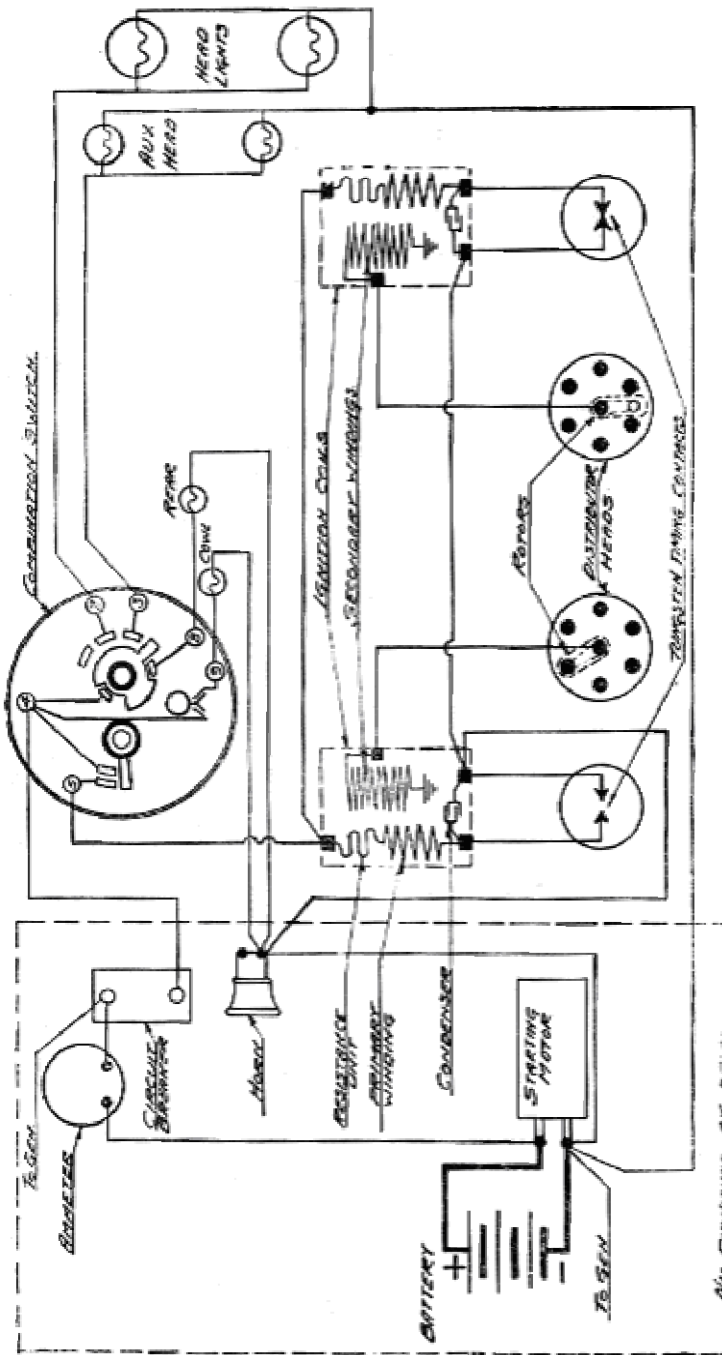
1094 Combination Switch

GENERAL MOTORS TRUCK COMPANY
MODELS 15, 25, 26, 30, 31, 40, 41, 70, 71, 100, 101



95 Generator
 2134 Ignition Coil
 1066 Combination Switch
 1965 Motor Switch
 Models 40, 41, 70, 71, 100, 101 use No. 85 Motor
 Model 15 uses No. 96 Motor
 Models 25, 26, 30, 31 use No. 97 Motor

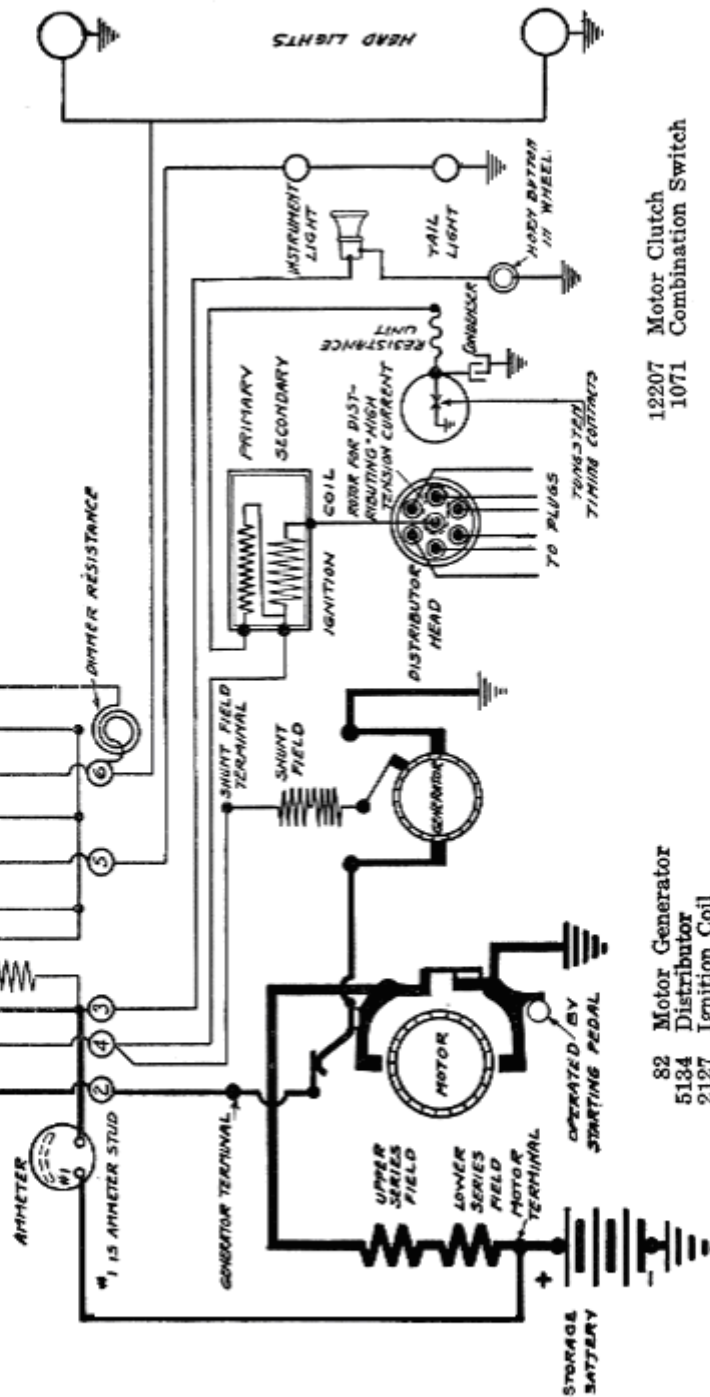
THE HAYNES AUTOMOBILE CO.—MODELS 40-40R-41



5155 Distributor (includes 2-2144 coils)

1083 Combination Switch

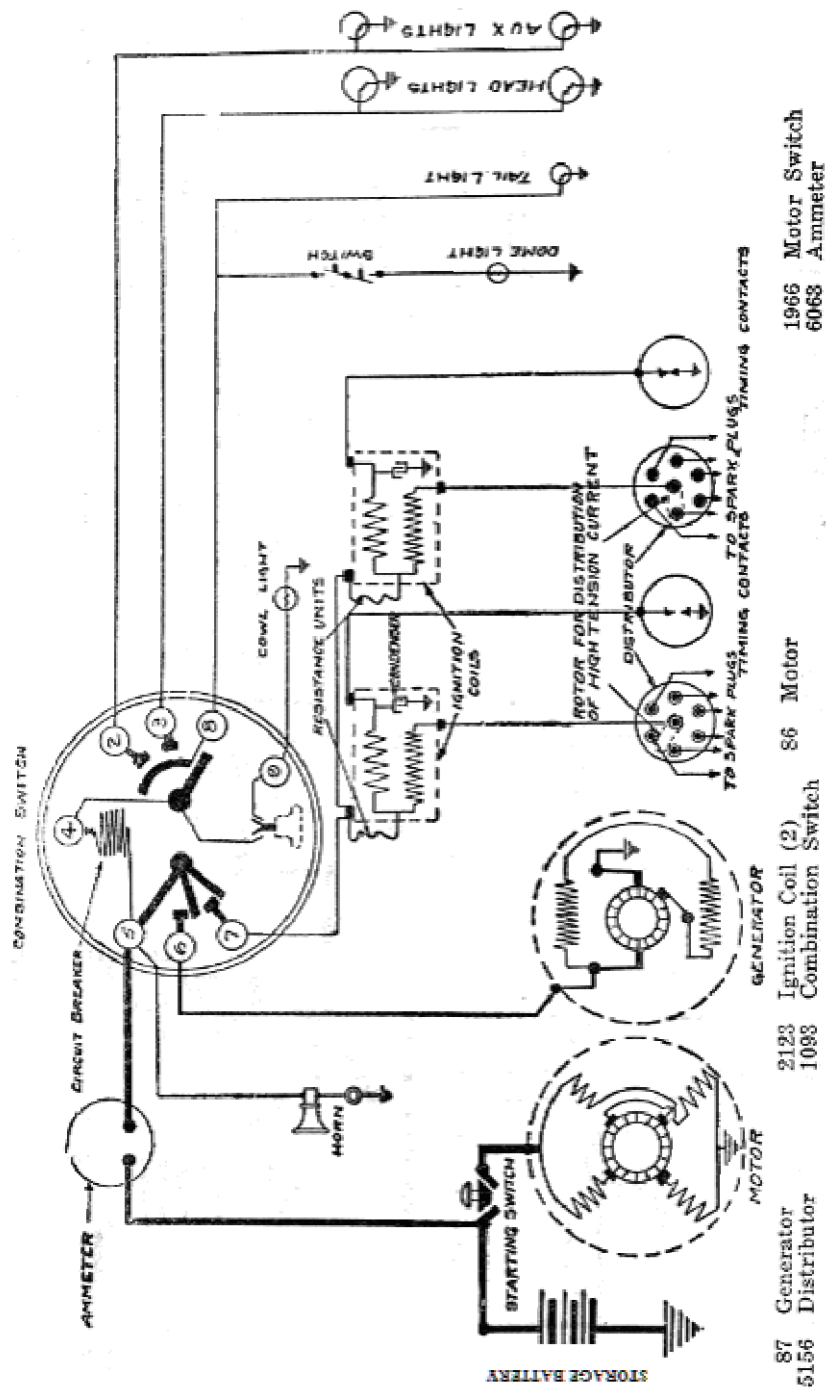
HUDSON MOTOR CAR COMPANY—SUPER-SIX MODEL



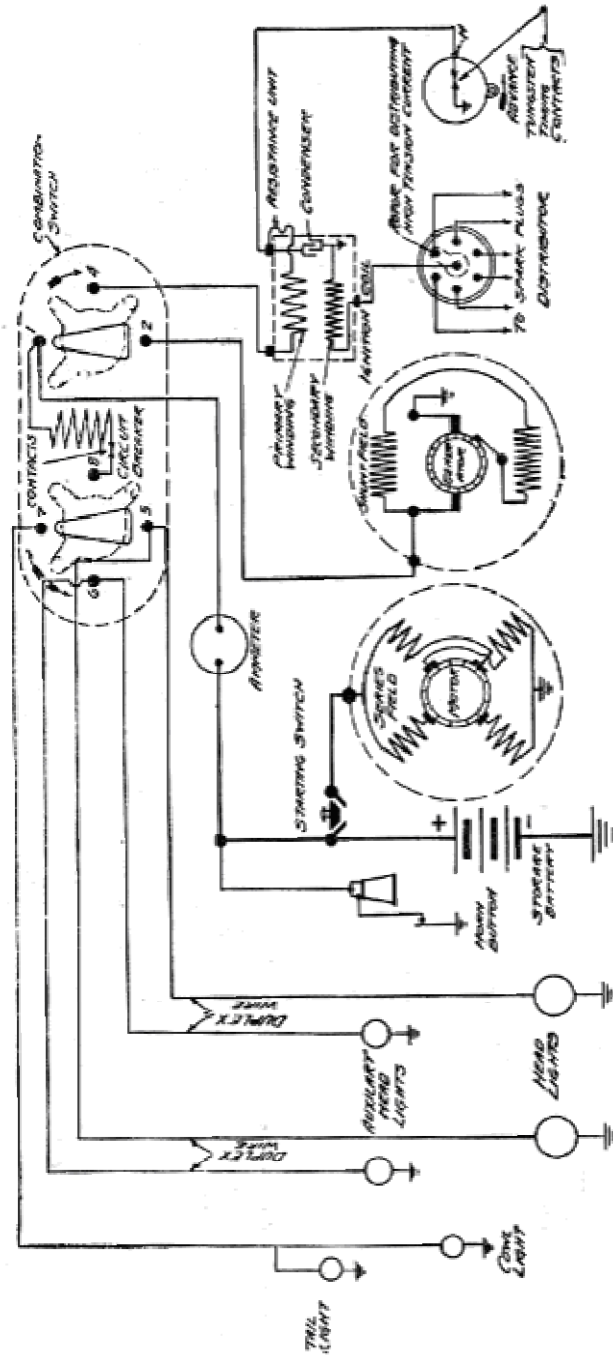
12207 Motor Clutch
1071 Combination Switch

82 Motor Generator
5134 Distributor
2127 Ignition Coil

THE KISSEL MOTOR COMPANY—12 CYL. MODEL

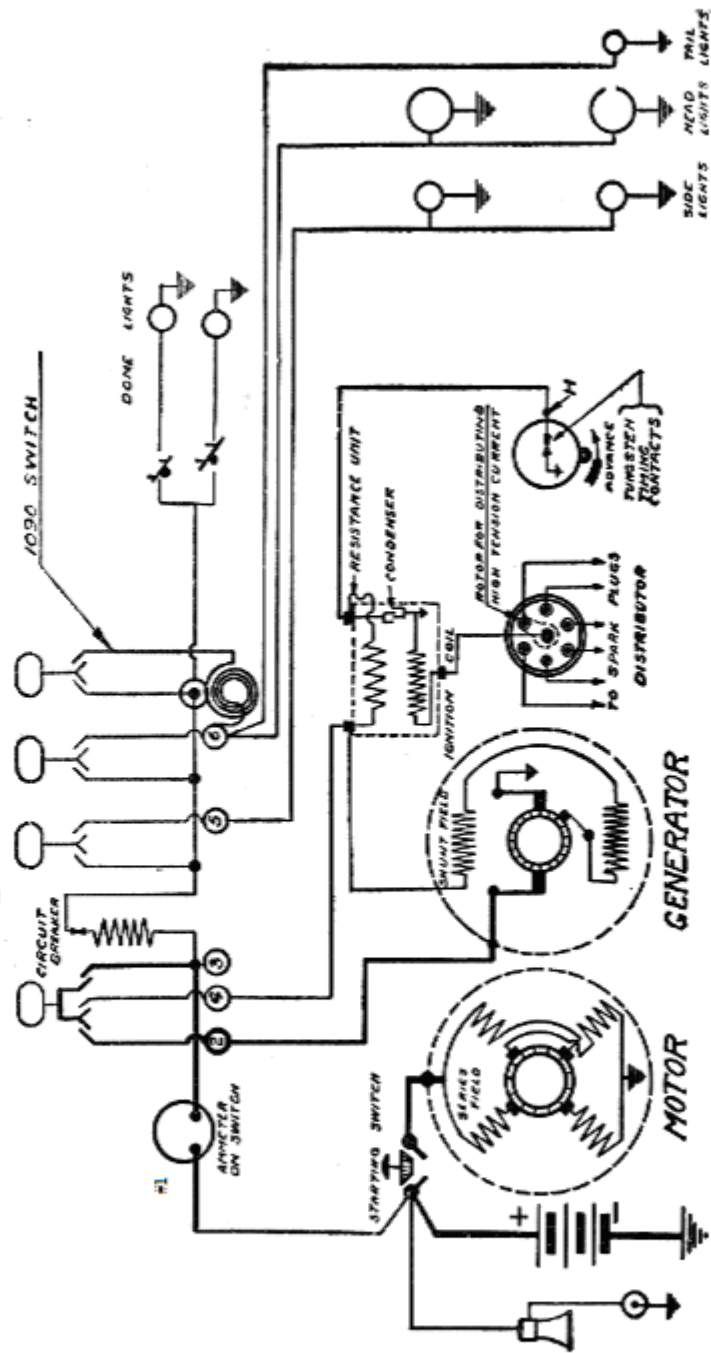


LIBERTY MOTOR CAR COMPANY



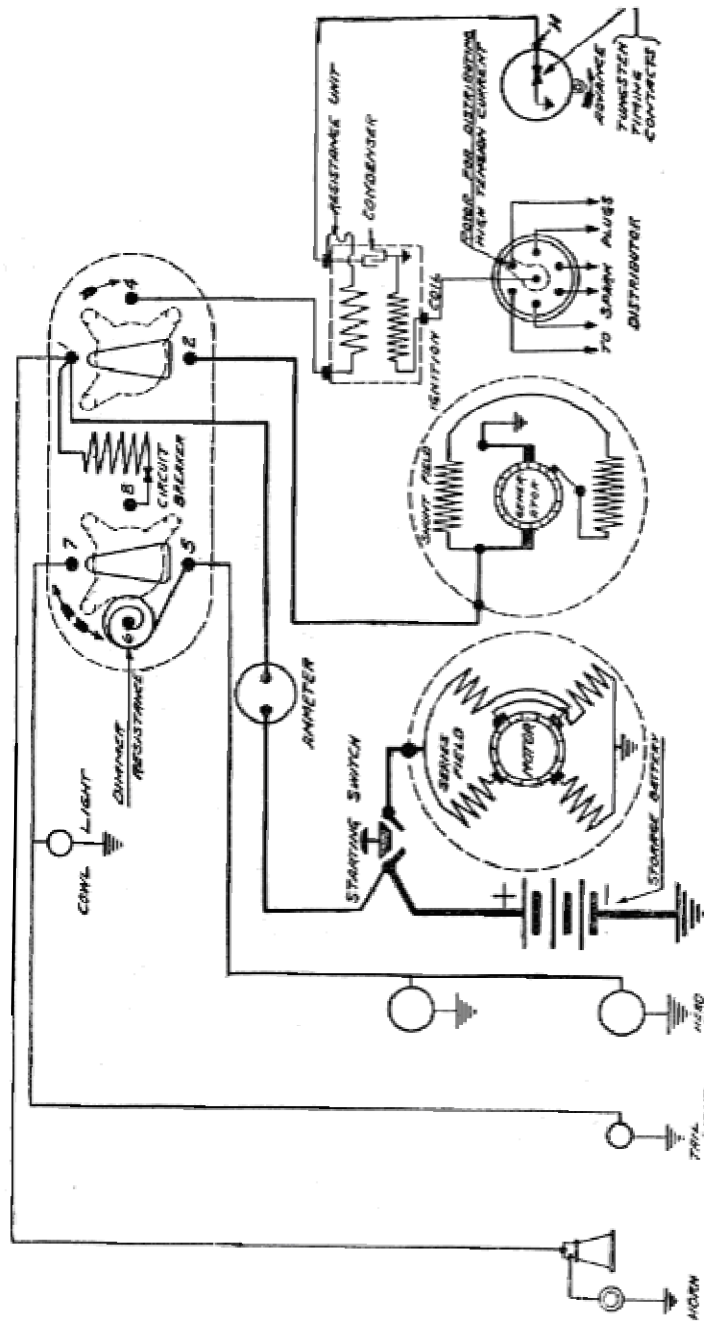
105 Generator	2139 Ignition Coil	107 Motor
1075 Combination Switch		1965 Motor Switch

MICHIGAN HEARSE & MOTOR COMPANY
"Light Six" and "Big Six" Chassis



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| 105 | Generator | 106 | Starting Motor |
| 1090 | Combination Switch | 1964 | Motor Switch |
| 2139 | Ignition Coil | 101 | Generator and 102 Motor used on "BIG SIX" Chassis |

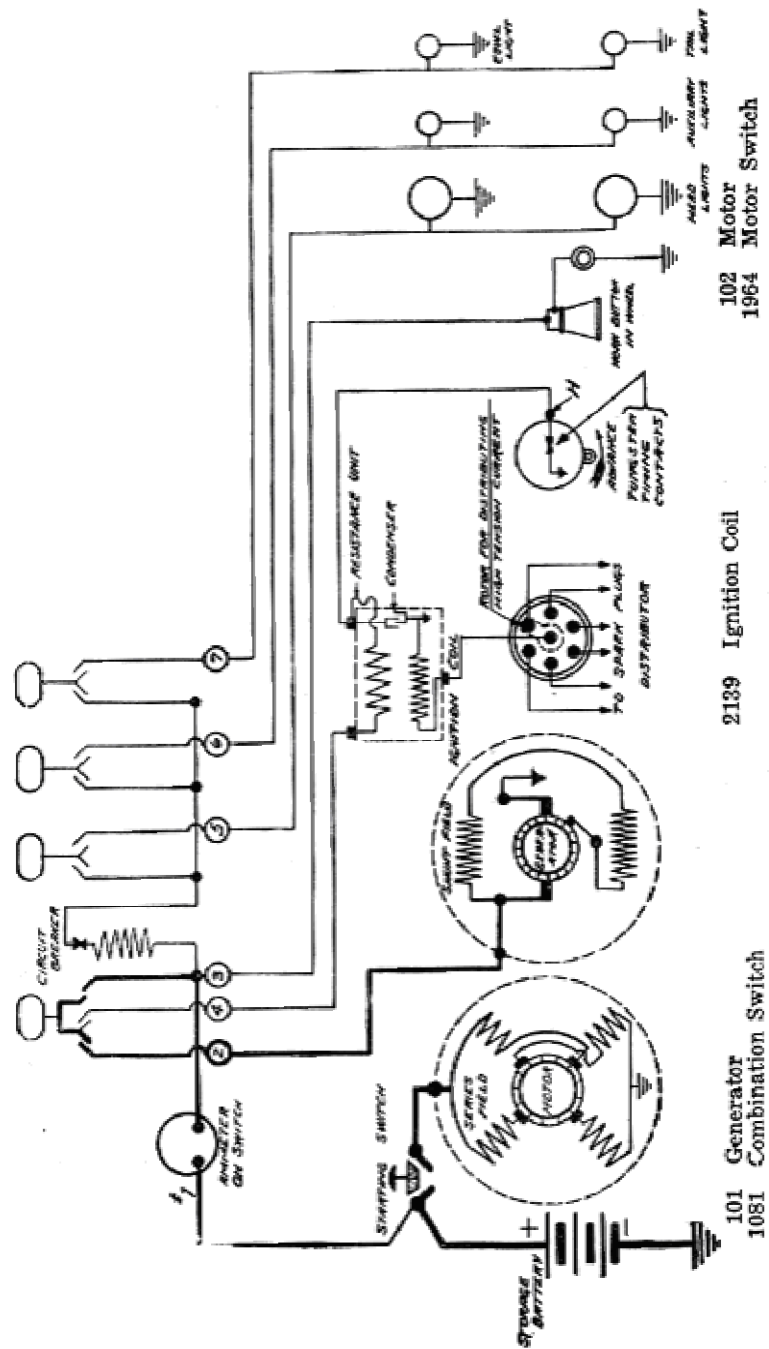
MOON MOTOR CAR COMPANY—MODEL 6-43



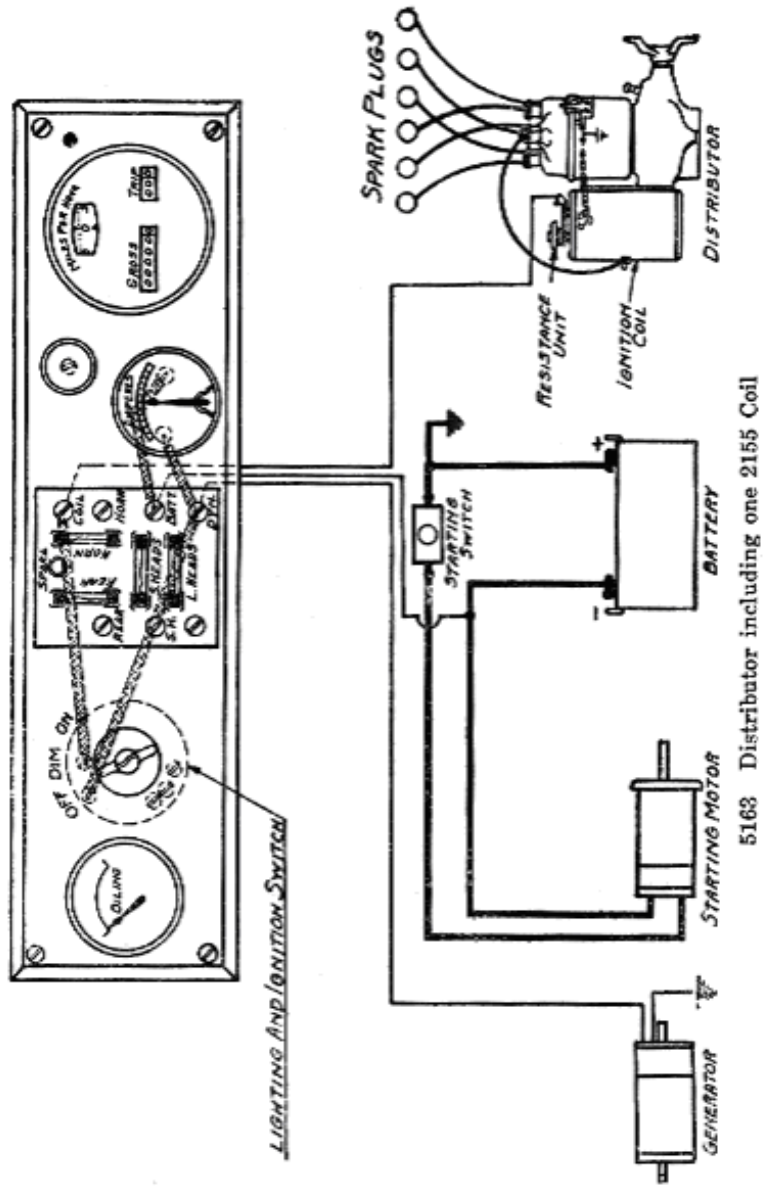
106 Motor
1964 Motor Switch
6059 Ammeter

105 Generator
1078 Ignition Switch
2139 Ignition Coil

MOON MOTOR CAR COMPANY—MODEL 6-66

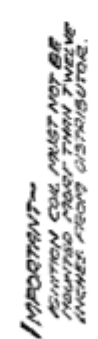


THE NASH MOTORS COMPANY

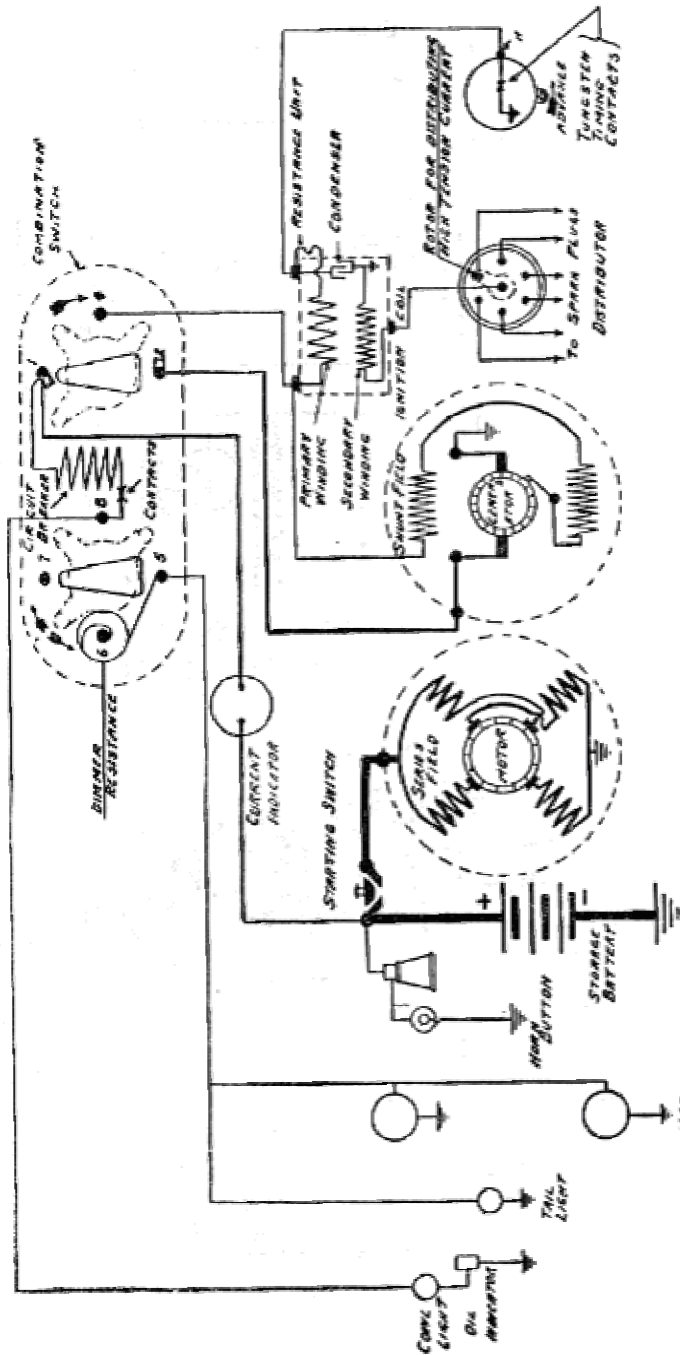


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OAKLAND MOTOR CAR COMPANY—MODEL 34



111	Generator	1965	Motor Switch	2137	Ignition Coil
1078	Combination Switch			100	Motor

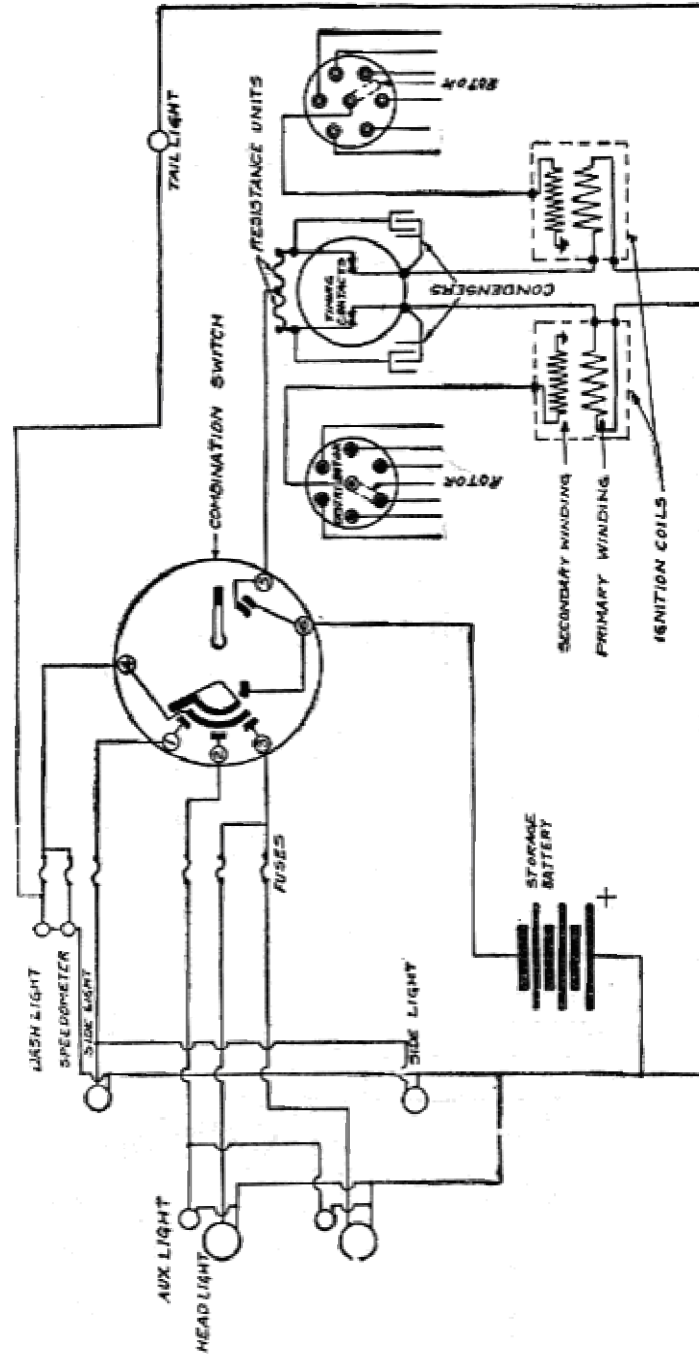
The diagram illustrates the electrical system of a vehicle, showing the following components and their connections:

- Storage Battery:** Connected to the **STARTING SWITCH** and the **STARTING MOTOR**.
- Starting Motor:** Includes a **SERIES FIELD** and is connected to the **STARTING SWITCH**.
- Generator:** Includes a **SERIES FIELD** and is connected to the **STARTING SWITCH** and the **RESISTANCE UNIT**.
- Ignition System:** Includes a **RESISTANCE UNIT**, a **CONDENSER**, a **ROTOR FOR DISTRIBUTING HIGH TENSION CURRENT**, and a **DISTRIBUTOR** connected to **SPARK PLUGS**.
- Lights:** Includes **HEAD LIGHTS**, **TAIL LIGHT**, **COW LIGHT**, and **HORN LIGHTS**.
- Other Components:** Includes a **CIRCUIT BREAKER**, an **AMMETER**, a **STARTING SWITCH**, a **SWITCH**, and a **HORN BUTTON**.

The diagram shows the flow of current from the battery through the starting motor and generator, and the distribution of high tension current to the spark plugs. It also shows the connection of various lights and the horn button to the electrical system.

113	Generator	1066	Combination Switch
5158	Distributor	72	Motor
2153	Ignition Coil	1966	Motor Switch

PACKARD MOTOR CAR COMPANY—MODELS 225 and 235



5149 Distributor

2135 Ignition Coil (2)

1076 Combination Switch

2139 Ignition Coil

Year	Motor	Motor Switch
1964	Motor	Motor Switch

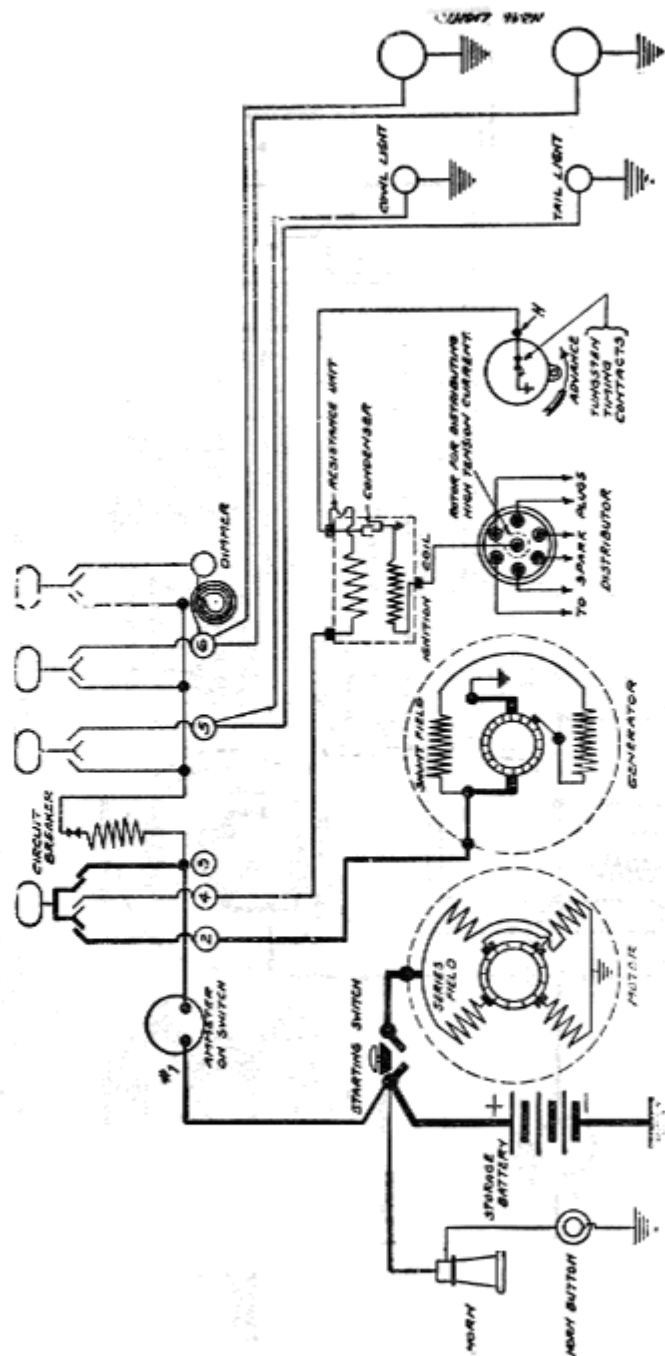
86 Motor
1966 Motor Switch

109 or 118 Generator
1086 Combination Switch

2145 Ignition Coil

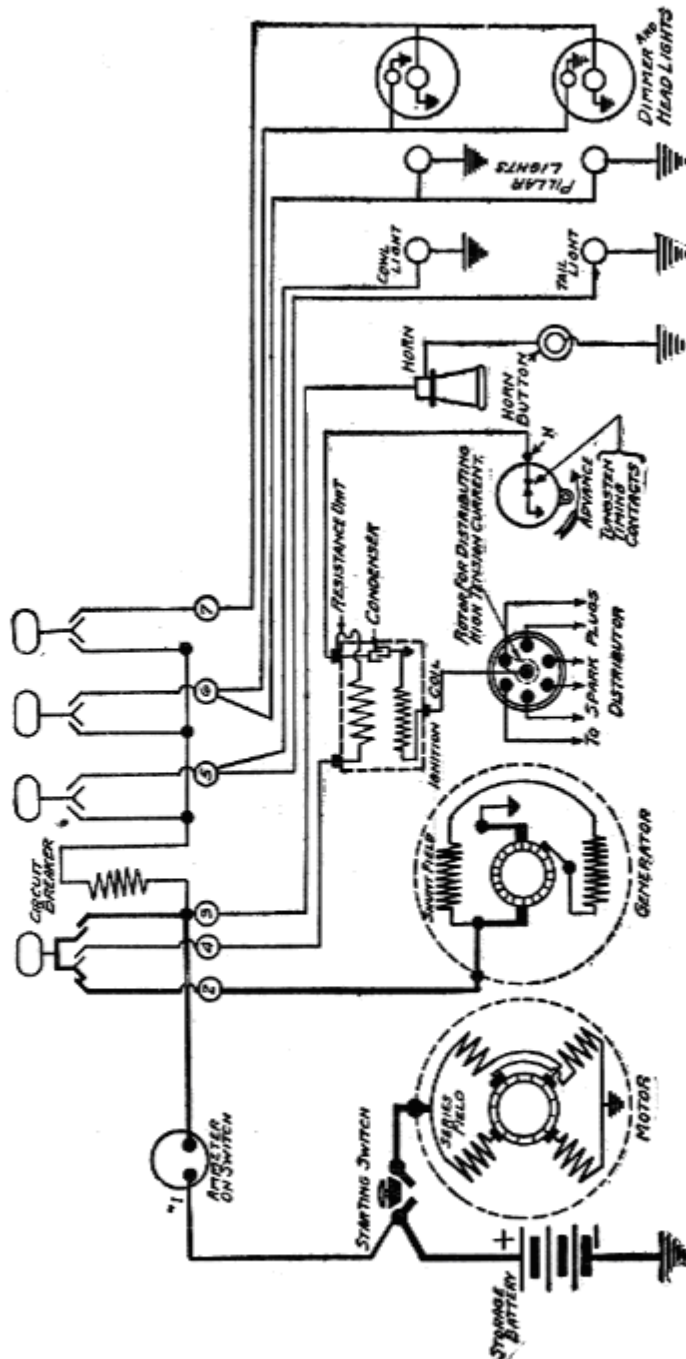
110 Motor
1965 Motor Switch

RIDDLE COACH & HEARSE COMPANY—1917 MODEL

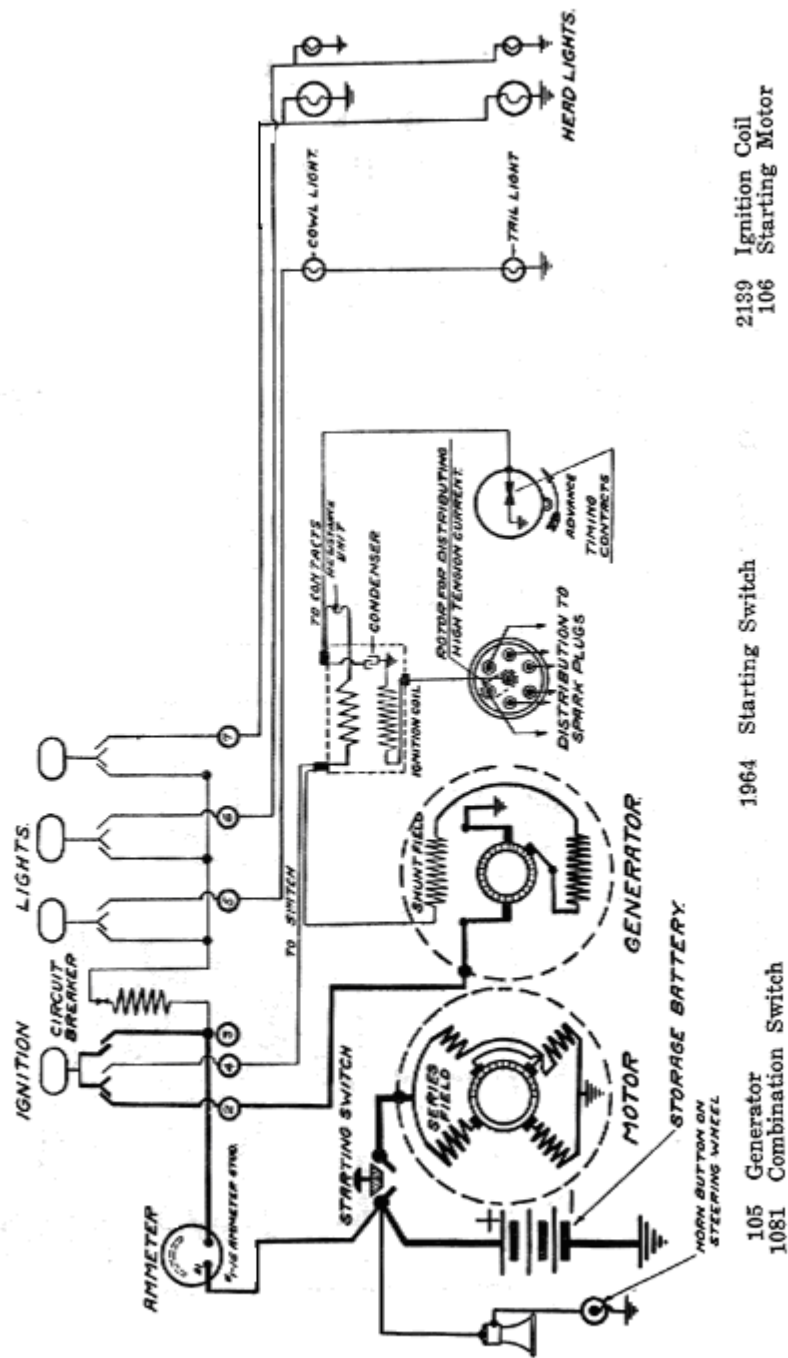


101	Generator	2139	Ignition Coil
067	Combination Switch	102	Motor
		1964	Motor Switch

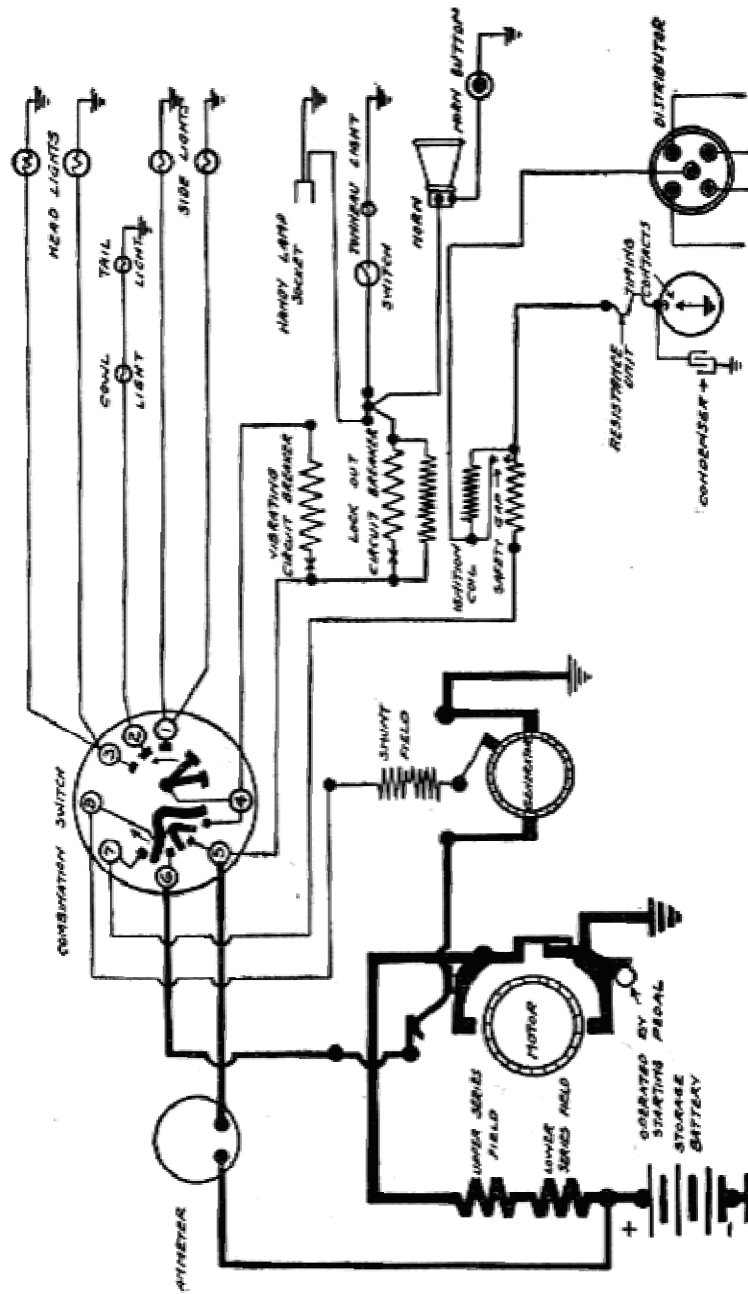
SAYERS & SCOVILL COMPANY—MODEL 1917



STEPHENS MOTOR BRANCH OF MOLINE PLOW CO. 1917 MODEL



TROMPENBURG—AMSTERDAM, HOLLAND



112 Motor Generator
1084 Combination Switch

5705 Circuit Breaker
5157 Distributor

2116 Ignition Coil
11663 Motor Clutch

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Important Hints That Will Improve the Operation of the Electrical System

When starting the engine in very cold weather always release the Clutch during the cranking operation.

This is important on account of the energy required to rotate the gears in the transmission which usually is filled with a heavy grease, and in cold weather this sometimes requires as much energy for the initial rotation of these gears as it does to crank the engine.

The starting apparatus is severely taxed in cold weather, due to the lowered efficiency of the storage battery and the condition of the motor caused by the cold lubricant on the connecting rods and pistons, and the continued cranking which is usually required to vaporize the fuel sufficient for starting.

The amount of improvement that the releasing of the clutch makes can easily be determined by allowing the starting motor to crank the engine over a few compressions and then release the clutch and notice the difference in the cranking speed.

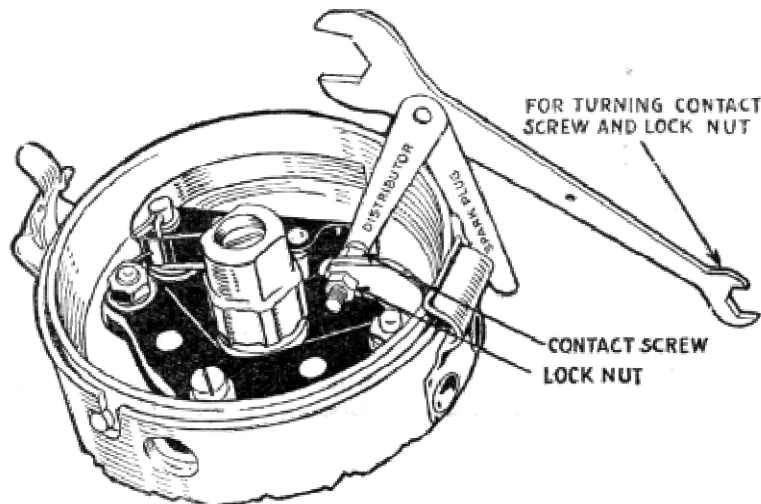


Fig. 1—Adjusting timing contacts.

TIMING CONTACTS

Figure 1 shows the proper method of adjusting the timing contacts. The proper break of these contacts when held apart by the breaker cam is eighteen thousandths of an inch (.018"). The gauge on the distributor wrench marked "Distributor" gives this adjustment. DURING THE FIRST FEW HUNDRED MILES' DRIVING THE WEAR OF THE FIBRE BLOCK ON THE BREAKER ARM IS MUCH GREATER THAN AFTER THIS BLOCK HAS WORN TO A SEAT.

These contacts should be adjusted once or twice during the first season's operation of the car, after which they will require practically no attention.

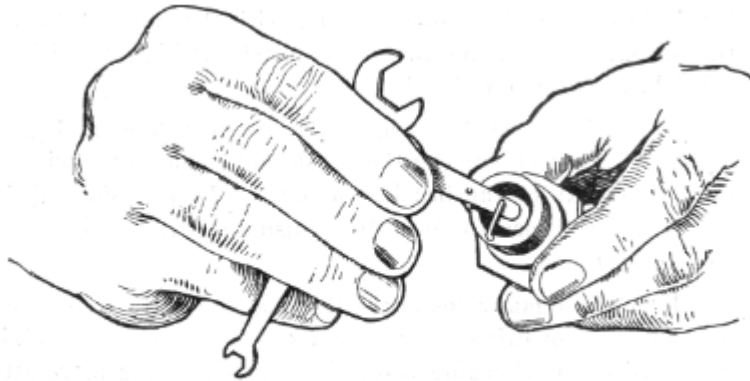


Fig. 2—Adjusting spark plugs.

SPARK PLUG ADJUSTMENT

Figure 2 shows the proper method of adjusting the spark plug electrodes. These should be adjusted to about thirty thousandths of an inch (.030"), that being the thickness of the gauge on the distributor wrench, marked "Spark Plug." On some engines a slightly wider adjustment is permissible.

ADJUSTING THE CHARGING RATE

On all Delco generators provided with third brush regulation there is a considerable variation in the charging rate made permissible by the adjustment of the third brush. This is done in order that the charging rate may be adjusted to suit the different driving conditions of the various cars. The range of adjustment usually varies from twelve to twenty amperes at the maximum output. By means of this adjustment it is possible to provide a charging rate that is satisfactory for almost all conditions of driving. And on some cars it is

advisable to change this adjustment for winter and summer driving. This adjustment is quite fully explained in nearly all instruction books for the various models, but can be made by any mechanic by observing the following:

To increase the charging rate the third brush must always be moved in the direction that the armature rotates; and, of course, moving the brush in the opposite direction decreases the output.

When the third brush is moved in either direction it is important, and usually necessary to sand the brush slightly in order to fit it to the commutator. If this is not done the third brush does not make proper contact with the commutator and the output of the generator is not nearly so high as with the third brush properly fitted.

To sand the third brush, a strip of very fine sand paper should be inserted between the brush and commutator with the sand side next to the brush, and drawn backwards and forwards a few times to form the brush so that it will fit the commutator.

In a great many instances the charging rate is too high, yet the owner or driver of the car does not make any complaint in regard to the charging rate, his complaint being more often in regard to the short life of his lamps, and the necessity of frequent additions of water to the storage battery.

By studying the driving conditions of the individual cars it is usually possible to adjust to a charging rate that will give very satisfactory service for all driving conditions.

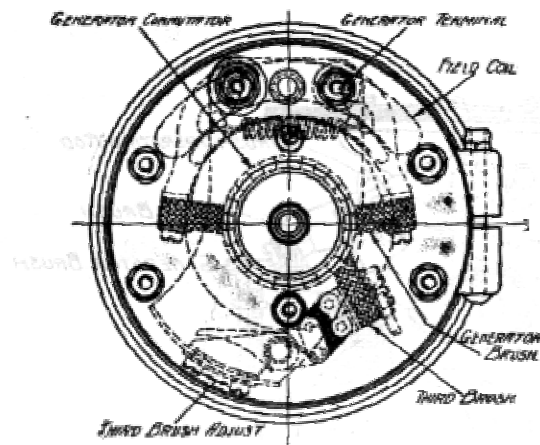


Fig. 3. Shows the third brush arrangement on all the round type generators. These generators operate counter-clockwise from the commutator end.

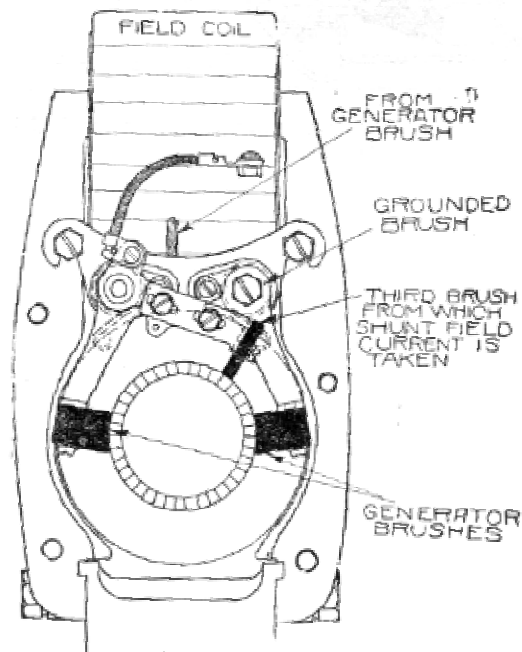


Fig. 4. Shows the third brush arrangement on the Cadillac, Hudson and Auburn motor generators. These generators operate clockwise when viewed from this end.

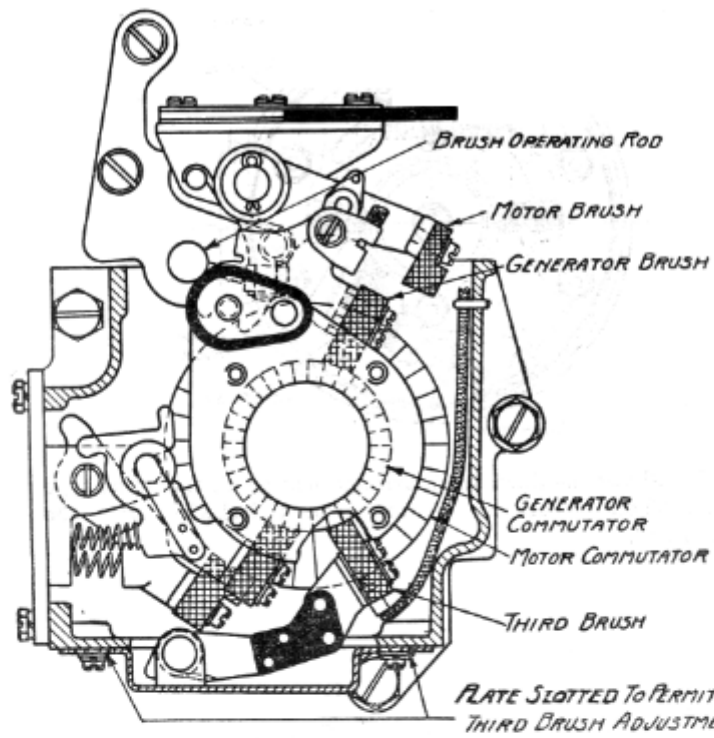


Fig. 5. Shows the third brush arrangement on the Buick motor generators. These operate clockwise from this end.