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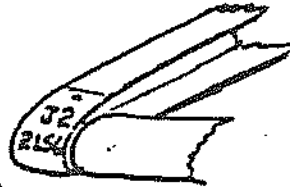
Resource: MMM Register

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CAR SERIAL NUMBERS AND YEAR

If you want to verify your serial number on your car it can be found on the right chassis at the weldment for the dumb iron at the front spring bracket.

Recent data gives us production data of the J2 cars. J2001 was built on 7-27-32 and J2002 on the 29th. The next three J2's were built on 8-22. 1932 production varied with a record number of 29 built on 10-4-32. 827 cars were built in 1932 ending production with J2827 on 12-16-32. On 1-13-33 started production with 2828 and all but the last 7 J2's were built in 1933. The last J2 in 1933 was J4425 built on 12-18-33. The first of the last seven was J4426 built on 1-8-34. Three on the last cars were built on that day with the last four J2's built on 1-10-34 ending with J4432.



Do not pay any attention to the date stamped on your road springs for several reasons -- first of all that was the date the road springs were made and not when the car was built. Besides, during the years it would be very possible that springs were taken off of a J2 that was being parted out to put on a J2 with broken springs!

If you want to know when your car was built off of the assembly line, the M.G. Car Club might have those records but you must join their organization before they will provide your data to you.

It is possible that you have a J2 built in one year but not sold and registered (titled and licensed) until the next year thus your car is registered as a 1933 when it is really a 1932 production car, or a 1934 when it was built in 1933.

So what, you have a J2 and that is the important thing!

Oh, the car number is also supposed to be stamped on the lower front side of the bonnet hinge, burnt into the piece of wood supporting the front cowl (the number is on the left side), and on the inside of the radiator cowl. The car number is also in the Carbodies plate behind the driver's seat. It is also in the data plate on the bulk head.