

Tom Marshall's Weekly News, March 14, 2011

Driving a Steam Car over the Road (as opposed to hauling it on a trailer): Records are often boring, so this promises to be a very boring story for the *Weekly News*. I used to tell people I had driven a steamer from Auburn Heights to New England over the road 20 times, so I counted up. Counting the one-way trips in 1946, there are 18, with four more slightly modified when a trailer entered into the trip at some point. Here is the list:

<u>Year</u>	<u>Car Used</u>	<u>Destination & Occasion</u>
1946	1915 Stanley Mtn. Wagon	Cochituate, MA, to Yorklyn. Taking delivery
1946	1914 Stanley Model 607	Randolph, MA, to Yorklyn. Taking delivery
1947	1910 Stanley Model 71	Yorklyn to White Mountains, NH. Glidden Tour
1948	1914 Stanley Model 607	Yorklyn to Charlemont, MA. Steam Car Tour
1951	1914 Stanley Model 607	Yorklyn to Wellesley, MA. Steam Car Tour
1954	1913 Stanley Model 76	Yorklyn to White Mountains, NH. Glidden Tour
1955	1912 Stanley Model 87	Yorklyn to Lakeville, CT. Steam Car Tour
1958	1924 Doble #E-11	Yorklyn to Lakeville, CT. Steam Car Tour
1970	1912 Stanley Mtn. Wagon	Yorklyn to Woodstock, VT. Brass & Gas Tour
1973	1913 Stanley Model 76	Yorklyn to Woodstock, VT. Brass & Gas Tour
1975	1924 Doble #E-11	Yorklyn to Chatham, MA. Steam Car Tour*
1976	1912 Stanley Model 87	Yorklyn to Lakeville, CT. Steam Car Tour*
1979	1912 Stanley Model 87	Halifax-New England-Yorklyn. "Trans-Con"
1979	1912 Stanley Model 87	Yorklyn to Bennington-Woodstock, VT. Brass & Gas
1980	1912 Stanley Model 87	Yorklyn to Woodstock, VT. Steam car Tour
1980	1912 Stanley Model 87	Yorklyn to White Mountains, NH. Glidden Tour
1985	1912 Stanley Model 87	Yorklyn to Woodstock-Shelburne, VT. Steam Tour
1989	1912 Stanley Model 87	Through New England to Yorklyn. "Trans-Con"

* Secondary September Steam Car Tours

In 1962, the Model 87 was trailered to Bennington, Vermont, after which it was driven over the road to Woodstock for a steam car tour, thence back to Bennington via Keene, New Hampshire, and Dalton, Massachusetts. In 1981, the Model 87 started from Yorklyn for Sturbridge, Massachusetts, breaking an axle near Stroudsburg, Pennsylvania. A trailer was used to bring it home and take the 607 to Sturbridge, and a few weeks after the steam car tour there, the 607 made the trip to Kingfield, Maine, and return. In 1991, the Model 76 was trailered to Quechee, Vermont, then driven on a 12-day New England progressive tour around northern New England, and in 1996, the Model 87 began a nine-day progressive tour from Chestertown, New York, through northwestern New England and the Adirondacks. If these are counted, the total is 22, and approximately 12 more New England tours have been attended using a trailer to and from.

Since we are on statistics, our 1912 Stanley Model 87 has been driven in 43 U.S. states and trailered across two more since it has resided at Auburn Heights. Those where it has not touched the road are Rhode Island, Oregon, Washington, Hawaii, Alaska, Kansas, and Missouri, but it has been trailered across the latter two. It is estimated that we have driven it about 60,000 miles since 1950.