

The Kissel Files Project

An Annotated Bibliography

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This document contains lists of reference material related to the Kissel Motor Car Company, Hartford, Wisconsin (1906-1930).

The first section broadly categorizes some of the references. Following that is a list of citations sorted alphabetically by first author.

For many citations, a short summary comment and perspective are provided. In some cases, perceived errors in statements made in the original are noted. Are these reported errors completely accurate? It is suggested that they be taken as a second opinion from one or more KisselKar Klub members for your consideration.

Can you expand on these comments or have you noticed other errors in these references? Do you have other Kissel-related references to add to this list? Did you find errors in this bibliography? Do you disagree with some of the reported errors? If so, please forward your comments/additions/corrections to '<mailto:editor@kisselkar.net>'.

The *Author-Date System*, developed by the University of Chicago, is generally followed for these references with some exceptions. For example, we often include 'month' in addition to 'volume (number)' for improved usability by Klub members. For more information and examples, please see the [Chicago Manual of Style](http://library.williams.edu/citing/styles/chicago2.php), and, for example, '<http://library.williams.edu/citing/styles/chicago2.php>'.

General Histories...

([Husting 1971a](#)) ([Quandt 1990](#)) ([Zahm 1989](#)) ([deBeaumont 1953](#))

([Duerksen 1971a](#)) ([Duerksen 1971b](#)) ([Duerksen 1972](#))

([Cuthbert 1989](#)) ([Husting 1961](#)) ([Husting 1955](#))

([Pfau 1975](#)) ([Fitzgerald 1963](#))

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([Weatherhead 1965](#)) ([Theobald 2004](#))

([Kissel 2010](#)) ([Foster 2017](#)) ([Kissel 2021](#))

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Speedster Histories...

([Beardsley 1959](#)) ([Motor Trend 1962](#)) ([Adler 1997](#)) ([Vance 2004](#)) ([Sieber 2020](#))

Ruxton Histories...

([Godshall 1969](#))

Model Introductions/Announcements...

Electric vehicles ([Motor Age 1910](#)) Plans for 1911 vehicles (July 1910)

Sedanlet model ([Motor West 1917](#)) Nov 1, 1917 (Kissel Model Year 1918)

KisselKar Silver Special ([Horseless Age 1918](#)) ([ATJ 1918](#)) Jan 1918

Kissel Silver Special Models: ([Motor 1918](#)) Dec 1918

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Vehicle-Specific Articles...

1909 KisselKar 6-60 Semi Racer (car# 60-662): ([Palermo 2013](#))

1911 KisselKar LD-11 Semi Racer (car# 2229): ([Martin 1992](#))

1912 KisselKar 4-50 Semi Touring (eng# 6058): ([Car Classics 1967](#)) ([Brown 1986](#))

1914 KisselKar 4-40 Touring (car# 15471): ([Baime 2015](#))

1917 KisselKar 6-38 Touring (car# 38-3827): ([Strohl 2007](#))

1920 Kissel 6-45 Speedster (car# 45-1964): ([Cars&Parts 1971](#))

1921 Kissel 6-45 Speedster (car# 45-3192): ([Cheney 1953](#)) ([Road and Track 1953](#))

1923 Kissel 6-45 Speedster (car# 45-7089): ([AACA 2014](#))

1923 Kissel Speedster 6-45 (car# 45-7245): ([Adler](#)) ([Adler 1997](#))

1924 Kissel Speedster 5-55 (car# 55-4323): ([Davis 1981](#)) ([Krumboltz 2008a](#)) ([Krumboltz 2008b](#)) ([Tegler 2010](#)) ([Independent 2010](#)) ([SFConcours 2010](#)) ([Stein 2011](#)) ([Kissel 2011](#)) ([Jennings 2011a](#)) ([Jennings 2011b](#)) ([Baime 2015](#)) (also AutoWeek, Senior Magazine)

1925 Kissel 6-55 Speedster (car# 55-6907): ([Ashmead 2003](#)) ([Stevens 2008](#)) ([Cars&Parts 2009a](#))

1925 Kissel 8-75 Speedster (car# 75-1784): ([Sklarek 1973](#))

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- 1927 Kissel 8-65 Speedster (car# 65-1082): ([Beardsley 1959](#))
- 1927 Kissel 8-75 Speedster (car# 75-5891) ([McBroom 2017](#)), ([McBroom 2019](#))
- 1928 Kissel 6-55 Speedster (car# 55-13641): ([SCW 1959](#))
- 1929 Kissel 8-95 White Eagle Coupe Roadster (car# 95-1084): ([Richardson 2005](#))
- 1929 Kissel 8-95 Tourster (car# 95-1504; aka car# 95-4663):
- 1929 Kissel 8-126 White Eagle Speedster (car# 126-1071): ([Spiegelman 1983](#))
- 1929 Kissel 8-126 White Eagle Speedster (car# 126-1076): ([Fitzgerald 1963](#))

Famous Kissel Owners...

Amelia Earhart ([Gurnsey 2019](#))

KisselKar Klub...

- 1954 Klub established ([AACA 1961](#))
- 1971 Meet, July 18 ([Husting 1971b](#))
- 2016 Meet, June 24-26: ([Griesbach 2016](#))

Kissel Production Numbers...

([Heasley 1977](#)) (KMCC c1921) (KMCC c1930a) (KMCC c1930b) (Trombinoscar 2010)

Kissel Serial Numbers...

([Branham 1919](#)) ([Branham 1920](#)) ([Branham 1923](#)) ([Branham 1927](#)) ([Branham 1928](#))
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([Fitzgerald 1963](#)) Fitzgerald, Warren W. 1963. "Kissel White Eagle Speedster." *Car Life* 10 (7/Aug): 40-45.

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Brief history of Kissel.

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One of America's best-known automotive writers is historian/author Patrick Foster – a dedicated researcher who has spent more than 30 years studying various aspects of the automotive industry, has also been writing for automotive magazines for well over a decade.

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He has appeared on several radio and television talk shows and also the documentary "Women and the Automobile", produced for television, in which Foster explained the significance of the Nash Metropolitan, a car designed primarily for women.

Pat is a feature writer and columnist for Hemmings Classic Car magazine, write for Automobile Quarterly and Collectible Automobile, and has a column in Old Cars Weekly.

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Article about 25th anniversary of the museum.

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Daily newspaper in Washington County, WI. Article about upcoming KisselKar Klub Meet, June 24-26. Has picture of Lynn Kissel (in vest and bowler hat) in front of 1914 KisselKar, and picture of 2006 Klub Meet.

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Announcement of KisselKar Silver Special Sixes.

File contains two copies; one copy has hand-written note by Gene Husting as follows. "According to the late W.L. Kissel, only the first three KisselKar Silber Special Speedsters had exposed exhaust headers. Statue on radiator cap was a C.T. Silver touch (N.Y. distributor)".

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Gene Husting and E. E. Husting are the same person. Gene published under both names.

Some hold the works of Gene Husting in higher regard than other second-hand sources. Husting had an enormous advantage of direct interviews with Will Kissel and some other former Kissel employees in the 1950s. Note that these interactions predate the production of Will Kissel's scrapbook.

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([Kimes and Clark 1996](#)) Kimes, Beverly Rae Kimes and Henry Austin Clark, Jr. 1996. *Standard Catalog of American Cars 1805-1942*, 3rd Edition. Iola, WI: Krause Publications.

Kissel listing pp.811-818.

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Incomplete reference

(KMCC c1921) Kissel Motor Car Company circa 1921, (unpublished internal report with 1920-1921 production data).

Photographed by John Lewis in 2011 while touring George Kissel's house in Hartford, WI. Production by month and by type is presented in three pages of graphics.

(KMCC c1930a) Kissel Motor Car Company circa 1930, "Miscellaneous Summaries 1916-1929," (unpublished internal report with 1916-1930 production, sales and expense data).

Production, sales and expense reports in tabular form. Column of 1930 data added as last column to table. Additional numbers added.

(KMCC c1930b) Kissel Motor Car Company circa 1930, (unpublished internal report with 1916-1930 production, sales and expense data).

Five pages with four different production, sales and expense data. Has a one-page production record by month for 1920-1929. Has one-page graphic of 1920-1929 car vs truck, and types of cars. Has one-page graphical report on 1921 production by type.

([Kissel c1960](#)) Kissel, William L. c1960. *William L. Kissel's Scrapbook*, Wisconsin Automotive Museum, 147 North Rural Street, Hartford, WI 53027, USA.

One of our few first-hand sources is Will Kissel's Scrapbook, on display at the Wisconsin Automotive Museum.

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Will was one of the company founders and he was intimately involved throughout the entire life of the company. So, one might expect that his scrapbook is a rock-solid source of information. Yet the scrapbook was prepared circa 1960, 30-to-55 years after the events in question. Errors are evident in Will's recollections so a reader must be careful even with information from this first-hand, but after-the-fact account of events.

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Image and caption details on upcoming event p.2.

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*Report does *not* use "Gold Bug" in reference to the Kissel Speedster.*

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Article includes names of Flying Circus personnel p.2. Document includes blow up of p. 2.

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We don't have a copy of this reference, yet – get it?

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Base price \$1650, sedan-top touring car \$2000. Features 2, 3 or 4 doors, 126" wheelbase, 3-5/8" x 5-1/2" bore x stroke, 3-speed transmission, 35x4-1/2 tires on 7-passenger, 34x4 tires on 5-passenger.

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Lynn infers the author from a black banner across the article title. Lynn infers the journal and year from an ad for binders for back issues of a journal called "Classic Motor/Signalhornet". The add displays one issue with a 1985 date.

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The following errors have been noted in this book...

1. P.7 – upper picture probably printed backwards. Early Kissels all had RHD through 1913. Caption is wrong. LHD began in 1914. In other pictures, acetylene tank in on the R side.
2. P.16 – Semi Racer drawing maybe a 1912 vs 1911 as stated (Dated July 1911 => 1912 model year). (Did 1911 have doors?)
3. P.23 – Lower picture caption. Head lamps are octagonal, not hexagonal.
4. P.30 – Right column, line 10-11. Kissel did not the bevel gears. They used a "Brown-Lipe-Chapin Co." differential unit, as they did through the end of model 45.
5. P.39 – Left column, line 13 – "Hobble" skirts, not "Hooped" skirts.
6. P.52 – Top picture caption – not true. Double dip step plate not used in production (to our knowledge). Used in advertizing, only. (Jacket photo, too.)
7. P.57 – The Wisconsin Automotive Museum Speedster is a 1923 with a 1921 engine.
8. P.58 – Top picture caption – a 1923 model vs 1921.
9. P.59 – Left column, bore 3-1/4 vs 3-1/2.
10. P.78 – Top picture printed backwards – water pump shaft is on right side of engine (Lycoming 3H).
11. P.85 – Left column, 6-70 intro from 1928; small 8-cyl for 1927 was 8-65; small 8-cyl for 1918 was 8=80; small 8-cyl for 1929 was 8-95.
12. P.102 – Left column – Drawer sears were not an option. They were part of all 6-45 (Custom Built) Speedsters
Early Speedsters in 1918 may have had the smaller engine from the model 6-38, 3-1/4"x5" (not 3-1/2"x5" as stated).
13. P.102 – Right column - There is no evidence the "double dip" step plat was ever manufactured. It was pictured as artists concept drawings in early ads, only.
14. P.103 – Left column – "model 8-95 which had earlier been the 8-90". Not so, model progression was as follows...
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