

C.E. Cless' Ford Demonstrator

Archie Cless, Carl Parr, and Irene Howard are pictured here with possibly the first automobile seen in Rossville, Kansas. From the March 14, 1902, issue of the Rossville News, Mr. U. G. Stewart wrote, "Mr. George Burghart of the Burghart Cigar Company of Topeka was in our city Tuesday with the automobile. Several of our citizens took a ride in the vehicle, and we expect to see automobiles a common luxury among our people in the near future." This photograph is provided through a pilot project to host unique cultural heritage materials from local libraries on Kansas Memory and was accomplished by mutual agreement between the Northeast Kansas Library System, the Rossville Community Library, and the Kansas Historical Society.

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