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In 1935 the 36th Convention of Western New York Volunteer Firemen was held at Albion, N.Y. The general committee shown here for that event was made up of the following: Front row L to R, Harry E. Colburn, Stanley J. Landauer, J. Wallace Eggleston, Charles F. Irwin and August E. Becker. Back row L to R, Thomas McNally, Lewis R. Bloom, Clark Miller, Jack Breuilly and Casimer Majewski.

To go back a little further in time, we see here Mr. Eggleston seated at the left with C. Royce Sawyer in the "Chief" car by the Fire Hall. The following is an article which appeared in a newspaper around seventy years ago when the car was brand new.

"Mr. C. Royce Sawyer, chief of Albion's fire department, has blossomed out with a "chief" car, a big Overland, which is used for carrying the capable head of the fire fighters of that village to the scene of conflagration in a hurry.

"Sawyer defrayed the expense of the machine, which is only another evidence of the spirit that has made Albion's fire companies the best volunteer fire department in the state, or in the country, for that matter. It is a difficult task to persuade men of the standing and ability of Chief Sawyer and Assistant Chief Colburn to engage in that class of work, but it is through the efforts of these men that the record of the department is one of achievement, success, financial standing and a model for other places."



Ask the Old Farmer: What's the origin of the index finger movements, similar to stick whittling, which accompany the admonition, "Shame, shame?" D.R., Merrick, N.Y.

It's all that remains of the very ancient practice of washing the hands to remove feelings of guilt.

Home Hints: Keep plastic wrap in the refrigerator and it won't stick.