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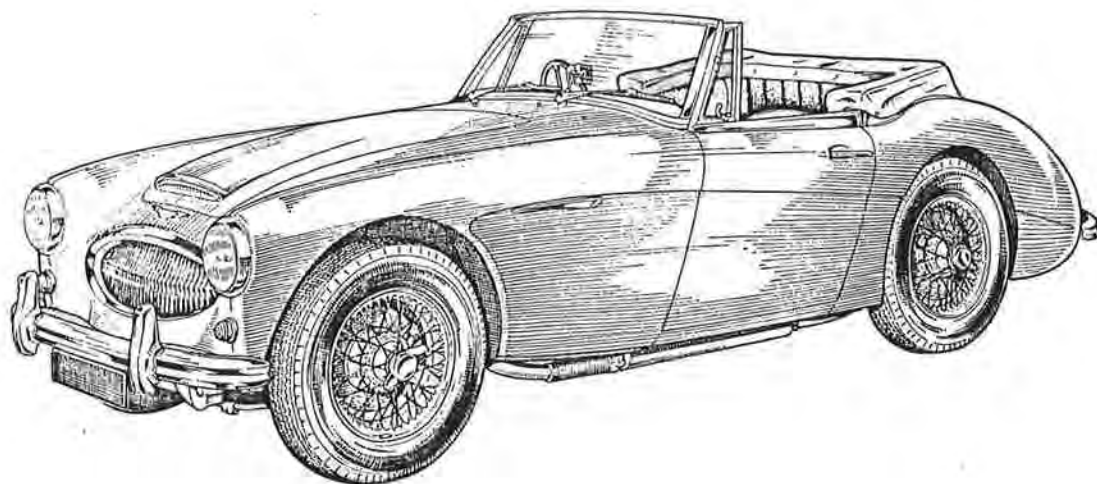
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BRITISH CAR DAY
ST. LOUIS
by CRAIG HOUSE

It had been a long time since Jane and I had been to St. Louis, so we were looking forward to attending the 6th annual All British Car Day this past September 13th. We decided to make a week-long vacation out of it, so the usual auto preparations were a little more thorough. It was a beautiful but hot drive up (10 hours), gladly uneventful! Our '54 Healey behaved like a trooper the whole week - even got to let 'er rip a little on a swell road tour set up by the sponsors (Gateway Healey & MGA Clubs)! the weather was great all week and the show Sunday was super - over 200 British cars registered, with huge MGA, MGB, and MGT classes! The oldest was a 1933 MG-J series in great restored condition. Best of Show went to a fabulous Morgan +4. Some of the more rarely seen models were a Lotus Super 7, Aston Martin DB5, and a remake of a factory racing "Works" Austin Healey (Ron Sheffler's). Our little Healey culled a 3rd place in 100/100-6 class, which surprised me due to the collection of good looking cars! Some of the Memphis folks



attended also and came away with awards.

We packed up with the Memphis crowd Sunday evening and headed South. It was great having company on the return trip - only mishap was a blowout suffered on Charlie's car (fortunately a rear which did no damage - scary at 70mph!). Jane & I would like to thank Keith Bester of Gateway Healey and all the folks we met for their hospitality - it was a wonderful time! Also "Thanks" to Thom & Janis Anderson and the Memphis bunch for their company!

annual Christmas Party to be held jointly with the Alfa Club on December 12th!

This year's party will be held in Vicksburg in the home of Pat & Barbara Cashman. Directions appear elsewhere in this newsletter. If you get lost, the Cashman's telephone number is 638-3240.

We are asking that everyone bring a covered dish and plan on arriving around 6:00 pm.

Don't forget - DECEMBER 12 - 6:00 PM!

LEADWORKING WORKSHOP

EMC's Leadworking Workshop was held at the Wade's home in August. Attending the workshop were Gregg Collins, Jane

CHRISTMAS PARTY
VICKSBURG MS
DECEMBER 12

Get set for EMC's an-

House, Gary Miller (of Landspeed Classics), Frank Peel and the Wade's.

Alex Wade presented the basic steps required to perform an all-metal repair using lead on one of Frank's TR-2 doors. This type of repair does require a fair amount of skill and is expensive; however, the repair is considered permanent and is often considered the only acceptable material for certain applications.

Everyone had an opportunity to try their hand at repairing Frank's door, though we spilt more beer than lead in the process. Despite the small turnout, we had a good time and learned the basics of this lost art.

The club has a number of members who have acquired special skills in a number of areas. If you have any suggestions for future workshops, please let us know your ideas at the next meeting or write to us at the club's mailing address.

SHORT CIRCUITS

. . . by now, everyone knows that Ford has purchased Aston Martin. To keep this all in perspective, remember that GM owns Lotus and that Chrysler owns Lamborghini (as well as a substantial stake in Maserati) . . . Joe Speetjens has sold his Austin Healey 100 and is also lining up a TR-3A to purchase . . . J. K. and Patricia Wright have sold their Jaguar Mk V to Dr. Gorman. Gregg Collins will be doing much of the restoration work . . . Import Auto Parts of Vicksburg is



shifting gears and will be moving into body shop supplies over the next few months. We'll certainly miss his excellent parts service . . . the Kingsafers located the parts they need to repair their Healey's frame while at the Memphis British Car Fest . . . John Simmers has found out the hard way that MGB replacement bonnets are made out of a very thin gauge of sheet metal. Give him a call if you are thinking of replacing your's . . . new member Mike Delacerda of Louisiana recently lost his 1974 MGB-GT to a hit and run driver. Flowers and cards should be sent to his house . . . the Roadster Factory needs your help! If anyone out there in Off-Side Undoland has pictures or a videotape of their TR-S in motion at the 1987 Triumph Convention, please get in touch with Dave Hagenbush, The Roadster Factory, P. O. Box

332, Armagh, Pennsylvania 15920. Negatives and videotape originals will be returned . . . club elections will be held soon - please be thinking about how you can help in '88 .

TECH TIP

One of the best ways to get your TR-3 to run cooler is to block the bypass hose between the water pump and the thermostat housing - we previously ran an article on how to do that by threading the water pump outlet and inserting a threaded pipe plug.

A simpler solution was developed by EMC's Frank Peel - simply tape a nickle over the bypass inlet to the thermostat housing and clamp the bypass hose over the tape. Don't knock it - it works!

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

Mike Delacerda
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504-738-3246
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Tim Ethridge
3024 Rose Lane
Vicksburg, MS 39180
601-634-0882
TR-7 1980

Wayne Spencer
Rt 1, Box 157
Sontag, MS 39665
601-587-7653
AH 3000 Mk III '66

R.A.C. INTERNATIONAL RALLY

1st TRIUMPH (J. C. WALLWORK)

2nd TRIUMPH (P. G. COOPER)

3rd FORD ZEPHYR (T. C. HARRISON)

4th SUNBEAM-TALBOT (P. HARPER)

5th TRIUMPH (W. D. BLEAKLEY)

6th ALVIS (R. J. ADAMS)

TEAM PRIZES:
FORD and TRIUMPH

RELYING ON

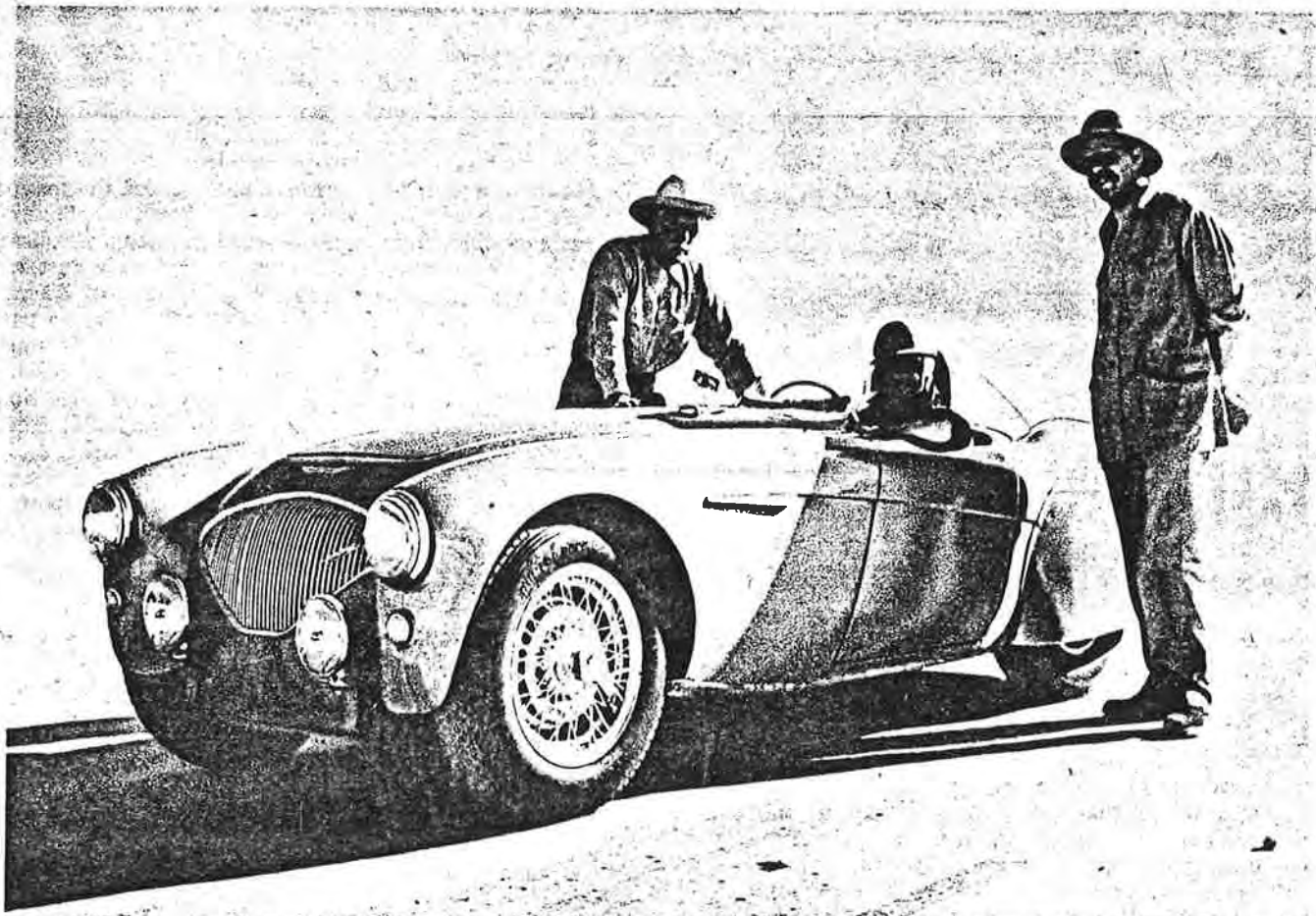
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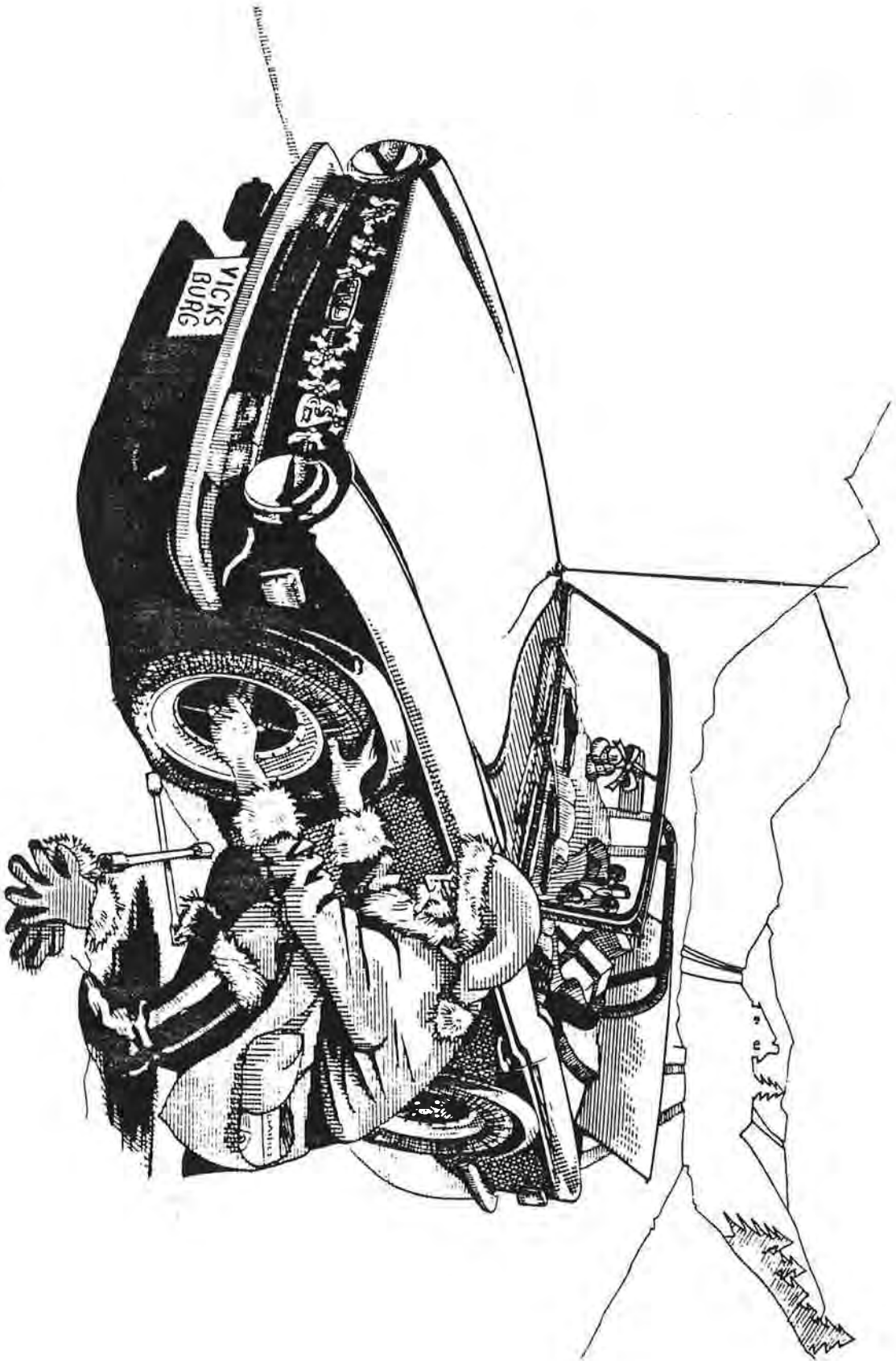
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For the name of your nearest Austin-Healey dealer, drop a card to Austin of England, 27-29 West 57th Street, N. Y., or 600 Gough Street, San Francisco.

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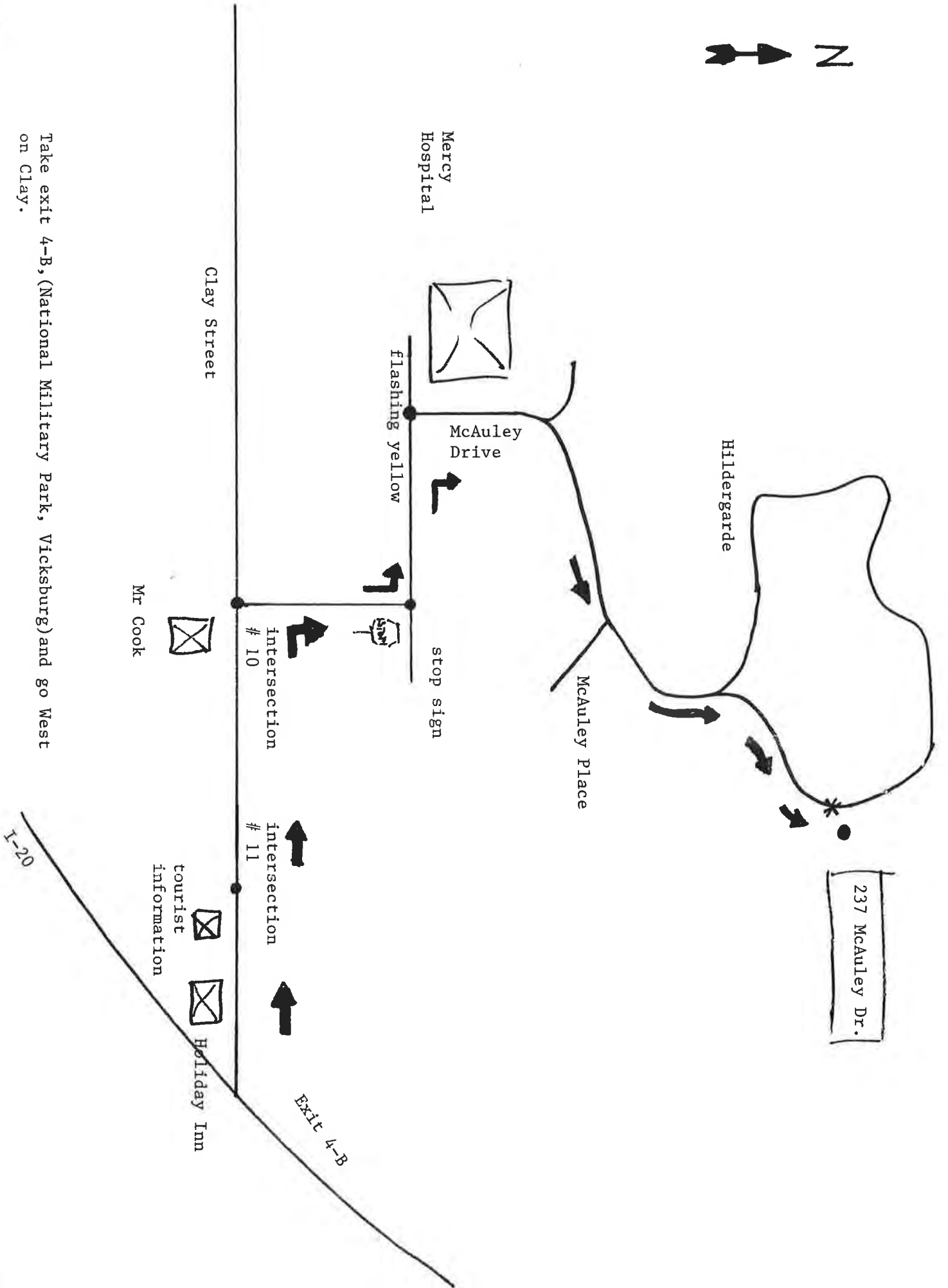
Louise '85

EMC/ALFA ROMEO CHRISTMAS PARTY

SATURDAY DECEMBER 12

6:00 PM AT THE CASHMAN'S IN VICKSBURG

DIRECTIONS IN THE OFF-SIDE UNDO OR CALL 638-3240



Take exit 4-B, (National Military Park, Vicksburg) and go West on Clay.

