

30' into the air with such force that it cut off a large limb of a tree. Planks were used to build up a crib under Militor and it ran out under its own power. Planks were then laid for Class B to run on and it was pulled out with the Militor winch. Made radiator repairs to G.M.C. and Class B. Two motorcycles were overhauled, one requiring new wrist pin. No bridge difficulties. Cadillac #111157 broke fan spring and brake linings were renewed. Tires changed on trucks as follows: Packards 3, Macks 2, B's 5, Cadillac 1. Convoy escorted into Salt Lake City by Reception Comm. and followed by parade of several hundred commercial trucks, with two bands and blowing whistles. Reviewed by governors of Utah and 18 other states. Large purple and white floral motor truck presented to Expeditionary Commander. Dinner - dance at Hotel Utah Roof Garden. Fair and warm. Roads generally good. Made 73 miles in 8½ hrs. Arrived Salt Lake City, Utah, 2:45 p.m.

Aug. 20

Departed Salt Lake City, 6:30 a.m. Class B Machine Shop #414319 remained behind to finish repairs to engine and realign front wheels, White truck to repair fan belt, and Mack to install new clutch. Militor remained with these trucks until they departed. Five miles west of Tooele, Militor had to stop on account broken radiator support stud, broken fan belt coupling, carburetor and governor trouble and loose #4 connecting rod bearing. Repairs were halted on account darkness. Last 6 miles was natural desert trail of alkali dust and fine sand up to 2' deep, with numerous chuck holes. No rain for 18 weeks and traction exceedingly difficult. In places chasses of trucks grounded on road surface leaving wheels free, making jacking up and digging out necessary. Sage brush was cut from desert to fill in wheel ruts, as this was the only material available. Five Class B's had trouble with petcocks, cylinder head gaskets, connecting rod bearings, valves and brakes. Another Mack clutch went bad. Lunch served to entire personnel at Tooele, by Ladies Aid Red Cross Relief Society - no more food until 10:30 p.m. Fair and warm. 60 miles excellent roads. Made 52 miles in 17 hours. Arrived Orr's Ranch, Utah, 10:30 p.m.

Aug. 21

Departed Orr's Ranch, 6:15 a.m. Expeditionary Commander ordered Militor to return from Tooele to Salt Lake City, there to be shipped forward by freight to Eureka, Nev. to rejoin Convoy, despite the fact that radiator support stud and fan belt had been repaired, carburetor and governor already replaced, and only repairs to #4 connecting rod bearing remained to be made. This action entirely unwarranted. From this point west across the Great Salt Lake Desert the Convoy followed the route of the new Seiberling Cut-off. Road and dust conditions approaching the Desert similar to those encountered during yesterday's run. 10 miles from start a sand drift was encountered, removal of which delayed progress one hour. First portion

