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TITLE.:- VETERANS OF THE ROAD.

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Picture.:- Number One is no less than 36 years old, though you may --

--not believe it; while this dashing speedster is two years younger.

Number Three has ~~battled~~ ^{trudged} her way through 34 years, too !

While this one can only claim to 33 years.

They're off to Brighton -- at least, they hope so. Complete with gamp, ready for sunshine or shower !

Even the Bobby pays his respects to old age as they cross Westminster Bridge.

They've got fifty odd miles to go. A traffic block might --

--well mean that they would never get started again on this earth !

About half way, they're still bowling along like good 'uns,--

--their plucky crews still hoping for the best.

It's only 34 years ago that every motor car had to have a flag-man, --

--walking in front waving a red flag. Motor cars were terribly dangerous things in those days !

Some of them dashed into Brighton at even more than fifteen miles an hour, --

--but some had to avail themselves of "assisted passages". Inglorious finishes to splendid efforts. No less than 48 out of the --

--51 starters finished, commemorating in grand style the 34th anniversary of Emancipation Day, when the red flag was abolished.

This 27 year old youngster was first to reach Brighton, with an average speed of 25 miles an hour.