



THIS WEEK IN TEXAS HISTORY

October 2014 – Week 2

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TITLE: HISTORY ON WHEELS

OCTOBER 1899 AND IT'S HISTORY ON WHEELS.

THIS WEEK IN TEXAS HISTORY, BROUGHT TO YOU BY THIS STATION AND THE SAVE TEXAS HISTORY PROGRAM OF THE GENERAL LAND OFFICE.

OCTOBER 6, 1899. TERRELL. THE SON OF HETTY GREEN, THE ECCENTRIC HEIRESS KNOWN AS THE “WITCH OF WALL STREET”, NED GREEN IS FLAMBOYANT AND FILTHY RICH.

THE LARGE, ONE-LEGGED RAILROAD TYCOON DABBLES IN BANKS, LAND AND POLITICS. RUMORED TO CARRY A POCKETFUL OF DIAMONDS, GREEN LOVES PUBLICITY.

HE BUYS THE FIRST AUTOMOBILE WEST OF THE MISSISSIPPI AND ANNOUNCES PLANS TO DRIVE 30 MILES FROM TERRELL TO DALLAS. IT'S THE FIRST CAR TRIP IN TEXAS.

GREEN FINISHES THE JOURNEY IN ABOUT 5 HOURS. WHEN DRIVEN OFF THE ROAD BY A FARM WAGON, HE MAKES HISTORY AGAIN – THE FIRST CAR ACCIDENT IN TEXAS.

NED GREEN AND HIS DRIVING MACHINE MADE HISTORY 115 YEARS AGO, THIS WEEK IN TEXAS HISTORY.

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