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Dear Bruce:

Thanks for the nice mention on first page
of the Winter 63/4 O.T. Bulletin.

Dr. Southworth and I sort of pushed BTL into building
the reproduction of Jansky's antenna (page 8). See Bell
Labs Record, October 1963, page 351; also Bell Labs News,
October 15th, 1963, page 2. I supplied the Ford model T
front axles, wheels and rims upon which it turns. Some
of these were secured by me while I was at Green Bank in
1959. However part were shipped in from Maui, Hawaii
when I was cleaning up there in 1960. Down here there are
a few Ford model Ts still on the road.

I used a Ford model T truck rear axle, drive shafts
and universal joints on my first radio telescope. Model T
parts were cheap and plentiful in junk yards during the
early 1930s. I doubt that Henry Ford ever realized what
an important part his cars played in the beginning of
radio astronomy!

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