LOCAL HISTORY

Loaner from Smithsonian on display in Syracuse

Each week, the Onondaga Historical Association looks back at important events:

17 years ago: On Nov. 17, 1998, a 1902 Franklin light roadster arrived at the Onondaga Historical Association Museum on long-term loan from the Smithsonian Institution. It was the first Franklin automobile ever sold, and the third one built. An environmentcontrolled setting was provided at OHA through an air-conditioned exhibit enclosure installed by the Carrier Corp. This early automobile is still available for viewing at OHA during regular museum hours, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Wednesday through Friday and from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday and Sunday.

— Dan Connors



John Wilkinson, designer of the Franklin automobile, with Mr. Averill (at the wheel), who bought the first Franklin ever sold. (OHA photo)



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