

1 unitized body car.

2 I did some work on unique forming systems to
3 be able to make things such as axle housings.

4 The first year or so was a number of
5 different structural-related projects, and then
6 started to look into some power transmission-type
7 work.

8 Q Okay. Did you eventually become involved in
9 research involving friction materials?

10 A Yes. That began when we did a study to come
11 up with an automatic clutch so that the driver did not
12 have to use a clutch pedal with manual transmissions.

13 Q Do you remember approximately when that
14 would have been?

15 A Probably 1959 I would think. I got a patent
16 on the control, and I think the application on that
17 was 1959.

18 Q Okay. Did you continue to do work involving
19 friction materials after that point?

20 A Yes. That particular project continued into
21 one of making special new types of automatic