

National Road celebration

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IT'S been 200 years since the first contract for the National Road was awarded and the first 10 miles of the road were built, and the glorious old road, known as "the road that helped build America," received special attention Thursday in St. Clairsville. That's when the National Road Association Caravan arrived in Belmont County with Gary Kruger of Epingham, Ill., leading the way in his 1934 Model 67 Buick. The 1930s vehicle is pulled in alongside the historic stone marker in front of the Belmont County Courthouse. Kruger brought the ceremonial bells which represented each state on the journey. Jeremy Morris of the Wheeling National Heritage Association added the West Virginia bell in a ceremony before the caravan moved on to traverse the Wheeling Suspension Bridge and then cover the 16 miles of U.S. 40 in West Virginia. To view this photo see cu.timesleaderonline.com