Subject: Farewell to Oldsmobile
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GM closes the doors on the old company today. Sometime between breakfast and lunch today, a dark red Oldsmobile Alero will roll off the assembly line in Lansing Michigan surrounded by an

will be the 35,229,218th Oldsmobile built since Ransom E. Olds established the brand in 1897, and it will be the last.When I think of progress at the big three American automobile manufacturers, I am reminded that Chevrolet introduced a 288 cubic inch 90-degree V8 with overhead valves, 3.375" bore and 4" stroke in 1917. They didn't build another V8 until 1955, and it was virtually identical to their 1917 model. This engine design is still one of the most popular on the road today, almost 90 years later.