

1 A crowd of people gathered outside the courthouse in Tulsa, Oklahoma, in June 1957, to witness the burial of an unusual time capsule: a brand-new gold-and-white Plymouth Belvedere car. The organizer of the event said: "Ladies and gentlemen, I present you Miss Belvedere." Unfortunately the tomb was unable to protect the car from moisture, and the vintage vehicle was covered in rust. The contents of a "typical" woman's handbag in the glove compartment looked like a lump of rotted leather. However, some items inside the time capsule were in good shape—they included a U.S. flag and some historical documents, such as aerial maps of the city and postcards. The microfilm that recorded the names of the contestants wasn't found. "I'll never be alive," said Teddy Baxter, aged 6. There was a bit of disappointment that the items were not in better condition.⁵ The good news is that when the Belvedere was unearthed, Teddy and Gene were still alive. Someone present said, "It's our King Tut's tomb. It's like a fairy tale." "I might not be, but you'll be around for sure." acation On June 13, 2007, the vault was opened, and the car was raised as thousands of people watched.?????