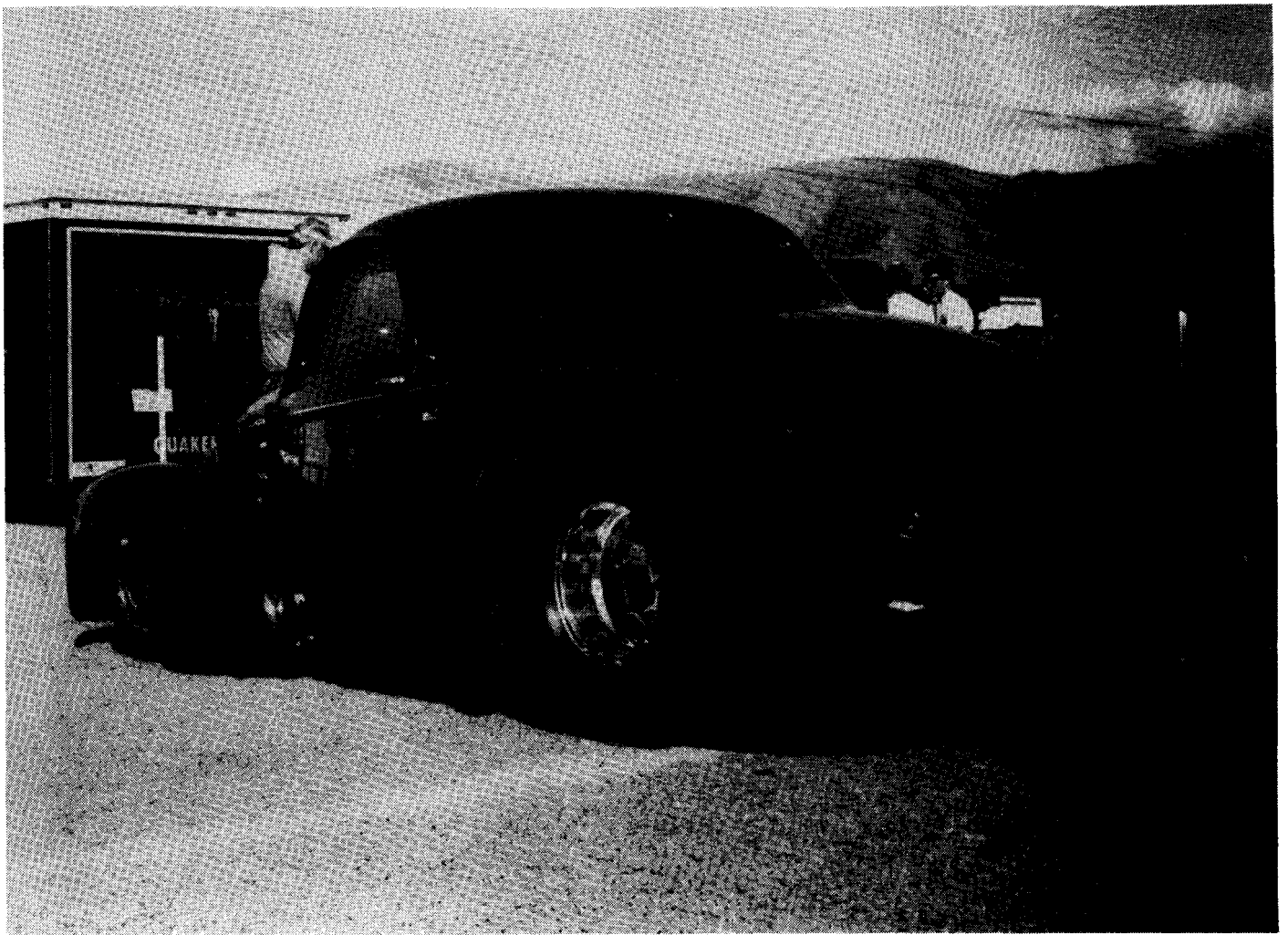


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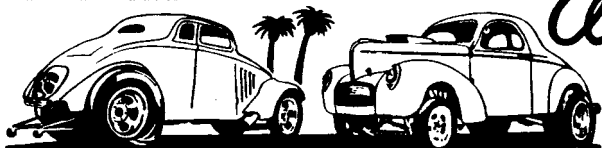
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W.C.W.C. ONE YEAR OLD.

It was at the 1986 Nostalgia Nationals that I first passed out flyers announcing the formation of the W.C.W.C. After our first year I can happily announce that so far the club is a success. As I write this we have 350 members, (for a breakdown see list below). Maybe some members don't realize it but the club is entirely a one man operation. I handle all the chores myself. Everything from answering the mail and signing up new members to putting the club magazine together, everything from typing and sticking on the pictures to picking it up from the printers and mailing it out. The reason I bring this up is because I don't want you guys to get upset if the magazine is a little late going out, (like I know this one is). I took this on as a labor of love and when I look back I have to say it has been very rewarding! Things go pretty smoothly with the only real problems coming from the companies I had chosen to print the T-shirts and decals. I try very hard to keep the members happy as I believe this is the only route to a successful club but this is hard to do when you are making someone wait months for one lousy T-shirt. I feel confident that I now have those problems beat so once again I apologize to those members who did have a problem there.

When I meet members I am often asked, when do I plan to put on a club meet? When the membership reaches 500 the plans will begin, when you think about the percentage of members who would actually turn up with a car I think it will be worth waiting a little bit and having a larger number to draw from. Looks like something may happen next year! It will be called the "WILLYS ROUNDUP" and will be held at a dragstrip in California, don't know which one yet but it will be a one day meet with racing for those who want to race and show-n-shine for those who just want to take it easy. Hopefully this will be the biggest gathering of Willys anywhere ever but this will depend entirely on members participation, anyway, you will hear more about this in the club magazine as it develops.

I have also been asked by a couple of members for a membership list. I have never had anything more than a

hand written list that consists of many pages so I finally got my act together and now have a typed list that can be read by anyone. The list is available to members for \$3.00 each to cover the cost of copies, envelopes and postage. Keep in mind that the list is forever changing with new members added, changes of address, expired memberships etc so once you get your list it will become outdated quickly but will give you a good idea of fellow members in your area and what they have in the way of Willys.

It has been suggested that we run a list of upcoming events, due to the very limited size of the club magazine this isn't possible but for people who like to know what's coming up I can suggest that they subscribe to "Hotline News". This magazine comes out monthly and has an extensive list of upcoming events. That's Hotline-News, PO Box 2700, Huntington Beach, CA, 92647. (\$9.97 per year or \$20.77 first class). Street Rodder magazine is another great source.

The response to the member info' sheets supplied in your membership packs could be alot better, I am just making it through each magazine with enough pictures for the Club Cars section so if you haven't sent pictures yet please send some soon, (and some information to go with them). They must be sharp and clear and please no cut off cars etc. Black and white reproduces better, especially if your car is red. A red car turns out black when reproduced from a color photo. So come on guys, send 'em in!

Sometime we will be coming out with a real nice club jacket with both summer and winter styles and some other nice items also. I'm hoping for a good renewal rate so with your 6th issue you will get a renewal notice, hopefully you are all getting your moneys worth and will decide to rejoin. Here's looking forward to another great year!

Kevin Perry.

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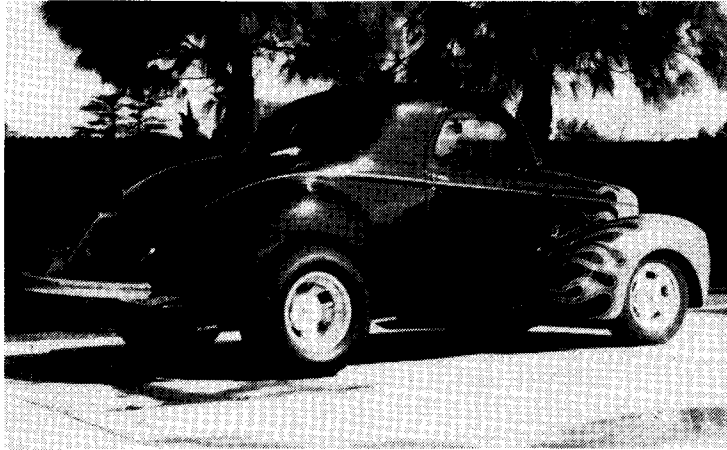
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COVER -- Burns Waggener, #029, from New Braunfels TX is the owner of this beautiful, blown, black and BAAAD coupe. Car got alot of attention at Fremont. For under construction photos see issue #4.

BACK COVER -- Probably the best known gasser to come out of Missouri, the Arteaga & Hellmuth B/gasser raced by member #326, Wayne Arteaga and his partner John Hellmuth. Photo was taken in 1967 when the coupe was running a blown Chrysler.

LETTERS



I still plan a trip "Down Under" to see these strange and rare Willys, plus finally get to meet Peter.

John Kostelnik
Berea OH.

Sorry about the mistake John. Yes Peter does have a couple of really nice Willys, I plan to do a Member Profile on Peter and his Willys in a future issue. Anyone interested in locating an Australian bodied Willys can contact Peter Eames at 1 Ruby St, Preston 3072, Victoria, Australia.

KP.

My wife and I thought we would send you a current photo and updated information on our Willys. We have made a few changes since you last saw our car.

We've added a 6" dropped axle with Mustang disc brakes. Also, as you can see, we have changed rims. We are now running Halibrands with knock-offs.

We have also added a B&M blower to the 327, this has dropped our times into the low 12's at L.A. County Raceway. Currently we are waiting for a new engine which is being built, It's a stroked 350 and hopefully it will drop our times just a little lower!

Ken & Patty Butler
Simi Valley CA

My name is Larry Blakey, I'm in the Navy in it's Nuclear Propulsion program. My father is Larry W Blakey of Mobile Alabama. (I'm stationed in Orlando FL) We, my Mum and Dad, have four Willys. A '40 coupe which we have on the road, a '33 coupe and '41 truck which we are trying to get on the road and, I think, a '39 sedan that's a real rust bucket.

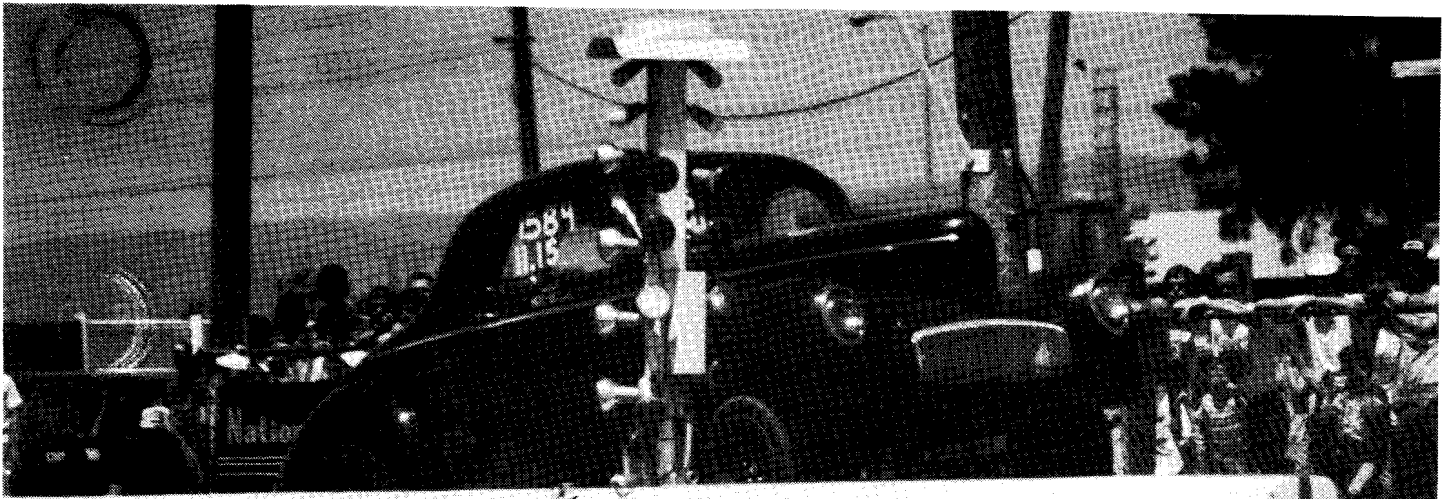
My Dad has been sending me his copies of "Willys Words" so I can read up on them. I love them just as much as he does and at age 19 I will probably eventually love them even more. I've been reading "Willys - Words" and like what I see but now I want something to show everyone on base that I like 'em so I'm sending in for a T-shirt!

Larry J Blakey
Orlando FL.

Great magazine! But captions are reversed on 2 of Peter Eames photos in issue #5. My roadster is the TJ-Richards 1933, not the 1935 shown below it. Peter located and shipped the '33 to me in 1985. Peter is a very reliable source of unusual bodied Willys and also the owner of a very fine '41 pickup and coupe, both exported by him from different parts of the U.S. I almost got to fly down and meet him last fall but domestic problems prevented this.



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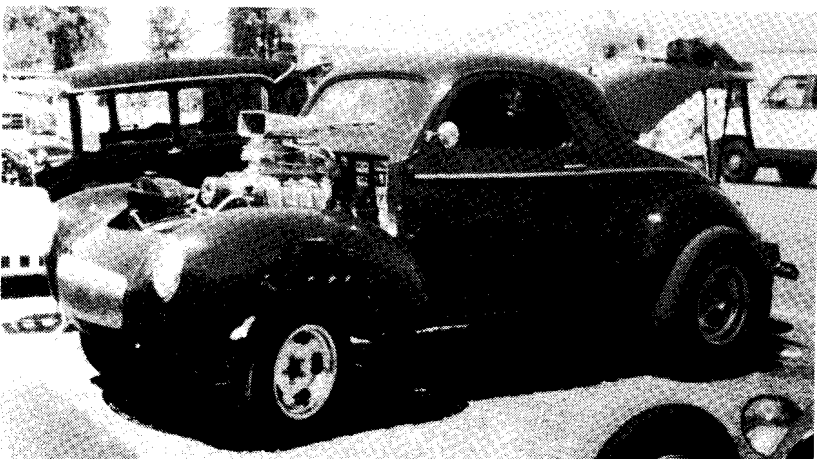
Nostalgia Nationals

The 7th annual NDRA/Street Rodder Magazine Nostalgia Nationals was, as usual, a great success. There were over 26 Willys seen at the event over the 3 days. Many of the Willys that were seen last year didn't show up this year but there were plenty more to take their place.

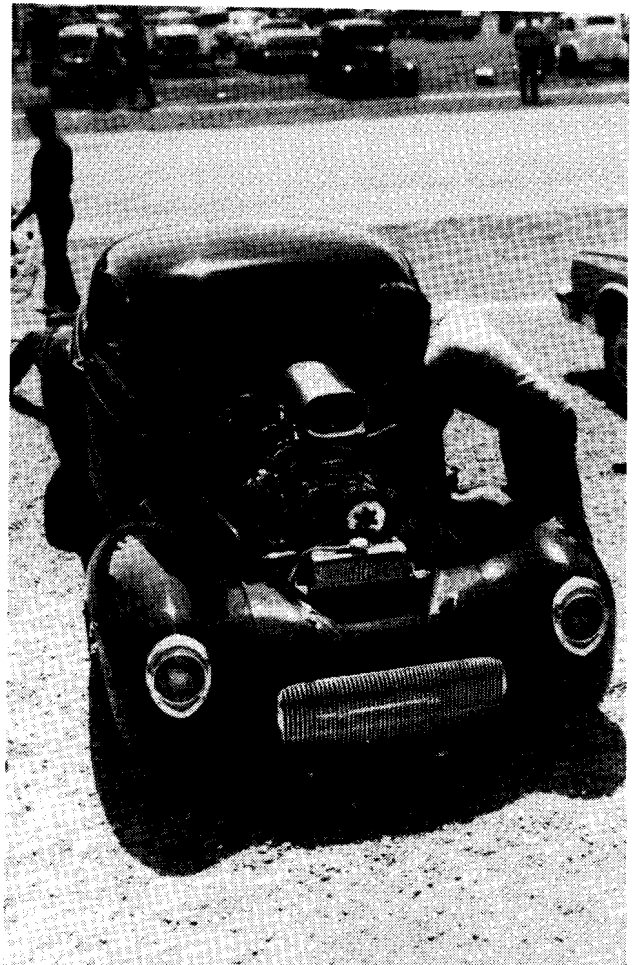
The majority of the Willys in attendance belonged to W.C.W.C members. If you are interested in racing your Willys, you should join the NDRA (Nostalgia Drag racing Association). \$20 per year. PO Box 9438, Anaheim, CA, 92802-7438.



Tom Willford, #130, from Tacoma WA had the ex Ron Bizio '33 pickup running strong it's first time out. A beautiful restoration that only took one year! Marty Strode was the driver.



Bruce Bethel, #216, from San Jose CA brought over his blown 392 powered '41 coupe. Bruce owns "Bethels Goat Farm", the nations biggest and best GTO parts house.



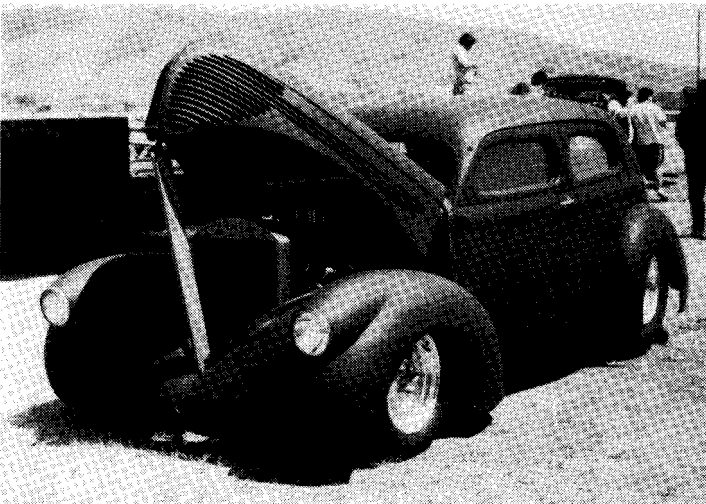
Burns Waggener, #029, came all the way from Texas. Car made one straight and true pass late Saturday. Burns backed off about 3/4 track and still ran a 10.



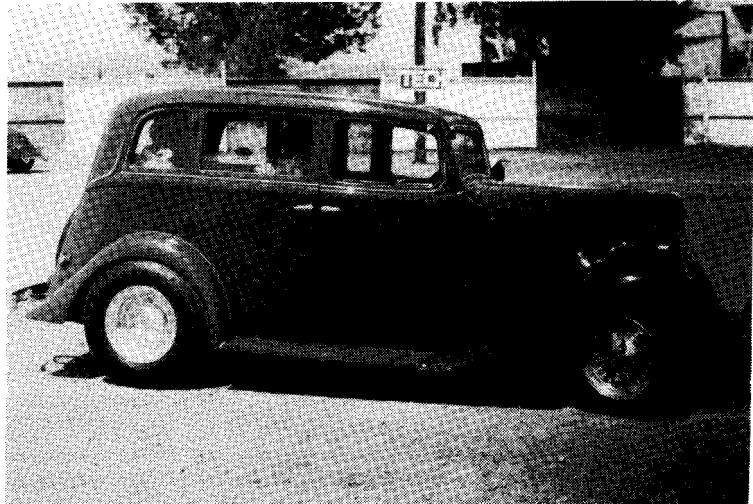
Jack Coonrod, ('33 coupe), and Wayne Harry, ('41 pickup), both made the trip from Vancouver WA. Both these Willys run blown, injected 400" Hemis!



Wayne Harry heats up the hides in round one of the Gasser class. He lost to Jack Coonrod who lost to eventual winner Junior Thompson's awesome Prefect.



Probably the lowest '37 sedan you'll ever see. Full race Willys runs a big inch big block Chevy powerplant.

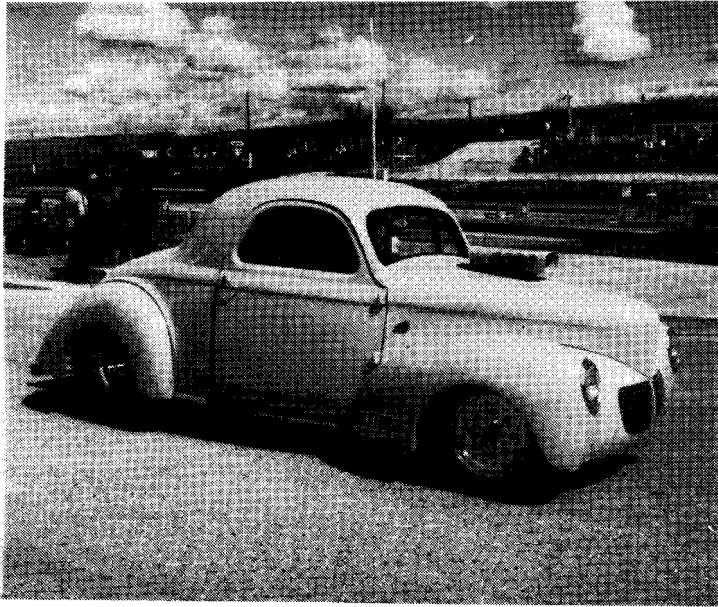


This beautiful orange '36 sedan was seen cruising the pits. Owner is Tony Del Rio who used to campaign gassers with his brother Wayne. Willys are in his blood for sure.

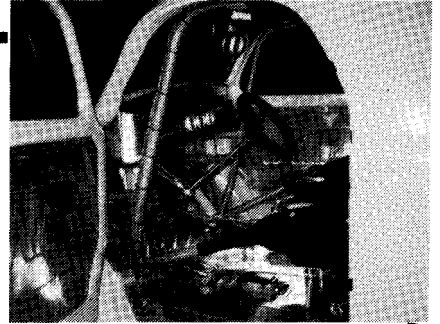


Ron Tomasello used to drive Willys and an Anglia in the West Coast gasser wars. He showed up with his under construction, state of the art, 'glass bodied '33 coupe. This car is a work of art! All aluminum blown Pontiac engine will surely put this car up with the big boys.

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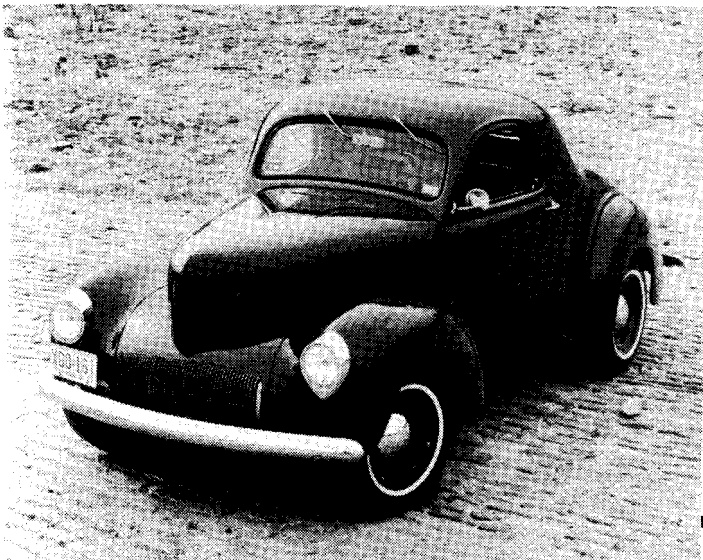
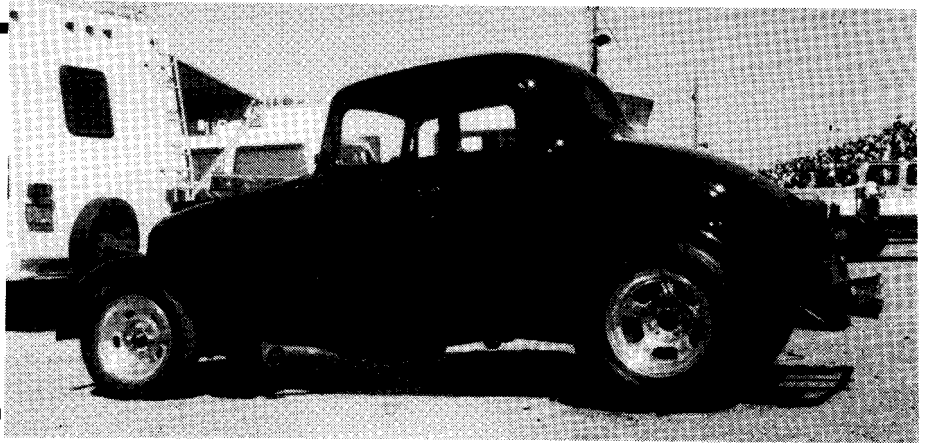
KIM MASON #330
TWIN FALLS ID



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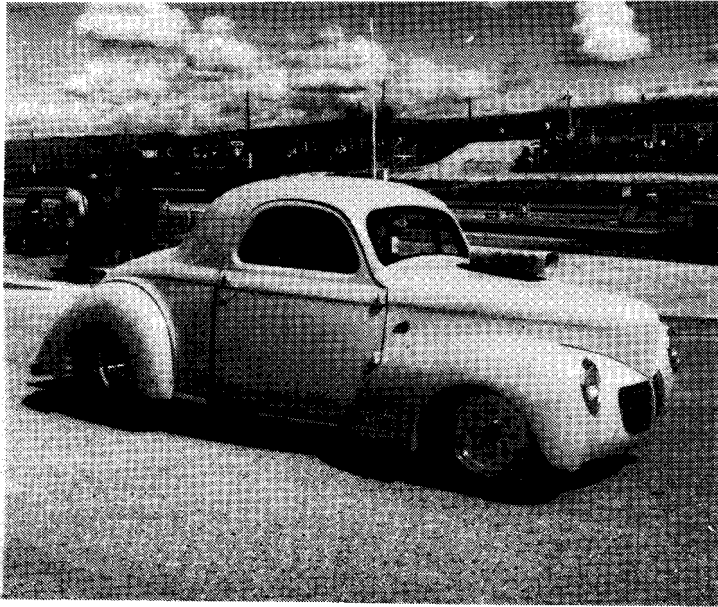
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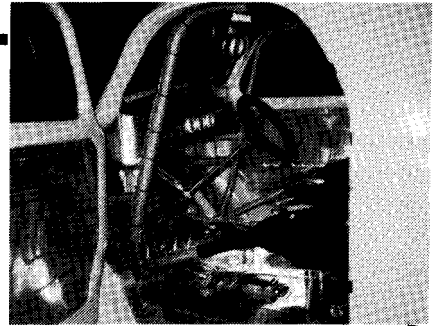
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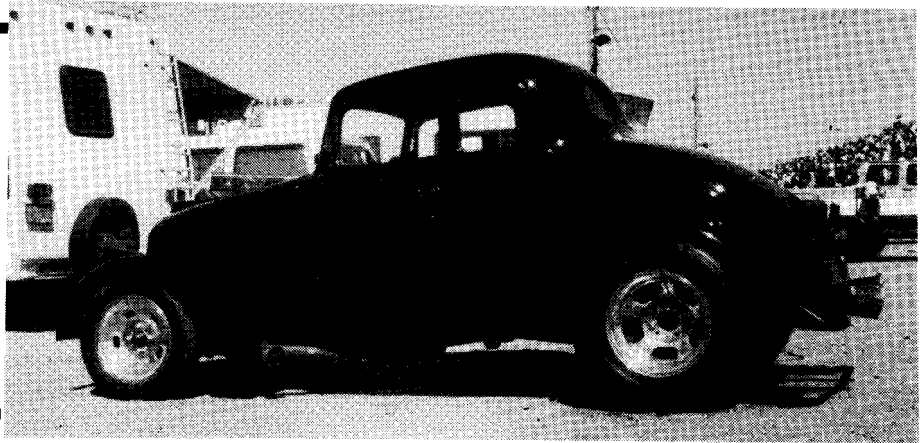
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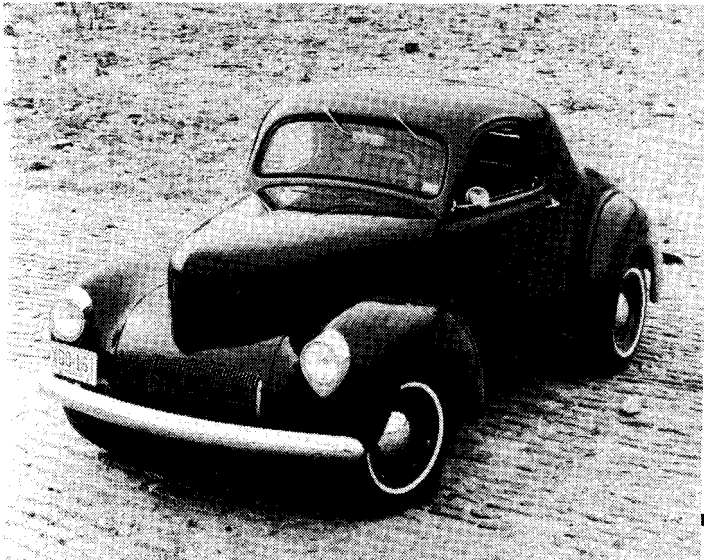
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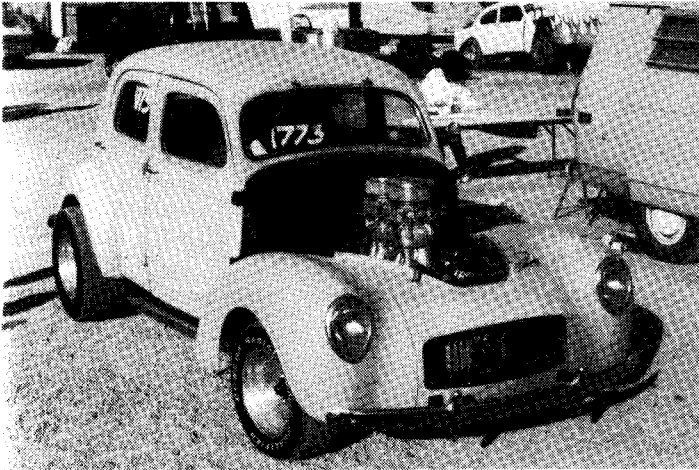
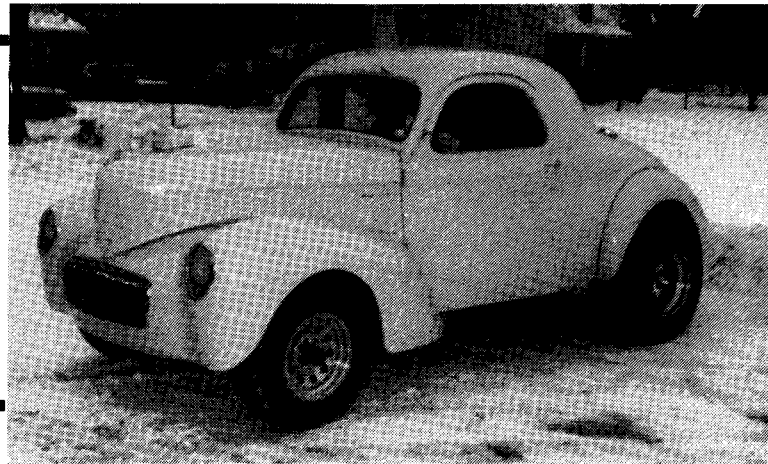


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WILLIAM REED #251
OAKFIELD NY

Just rolled out of the paint shop this coupe sports a fresh coat of yellow polyurethane Imron, orange pinstripes have since been added. Body mod's include louvered hood, filled front bumper holes and flip top gas filler. Engine is a 327 Chevy with 3 Rochester carb's and plenty of chrome. TH 350 tranny leads to '57 Chevy rear end, (soon to be GM-12 bolt), mounted on leaf springs. Other features are tube axle, power antenna and fenderwell headers.

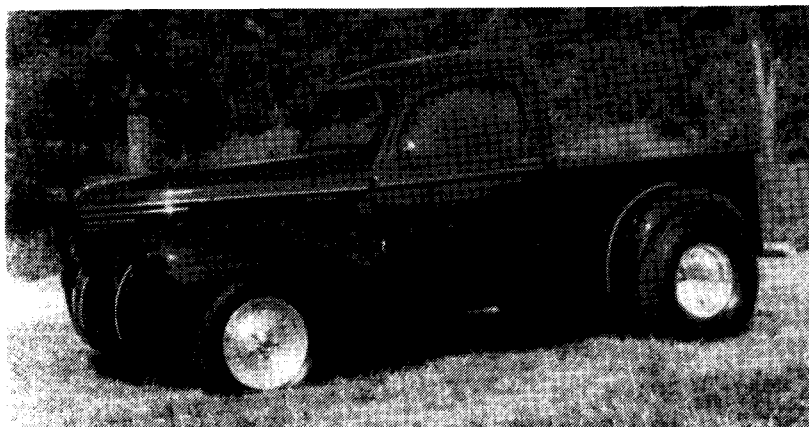
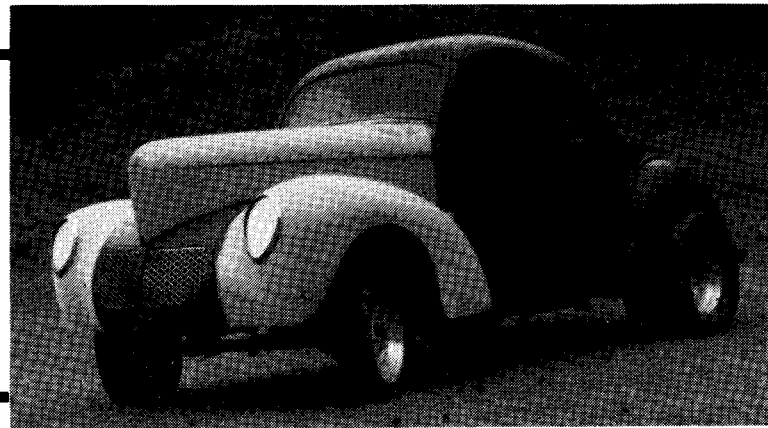


THOMAS S WOHR #336
SAN JOSE CA

This '37 sedan has a 'glass '41 nose. It's a street rod but does run in the 13's at the drags. Engine is a 350 Chevy with Edelbrock tunnel ram, dual Carter carb's with custom milled aluminum air cleaners. Further engine dress up comes from Chevy Power valve covers. Car currently wears a coat of Hot Rod gray primer.

CHARLIE STEENBURGH #183
EAST POINT KY

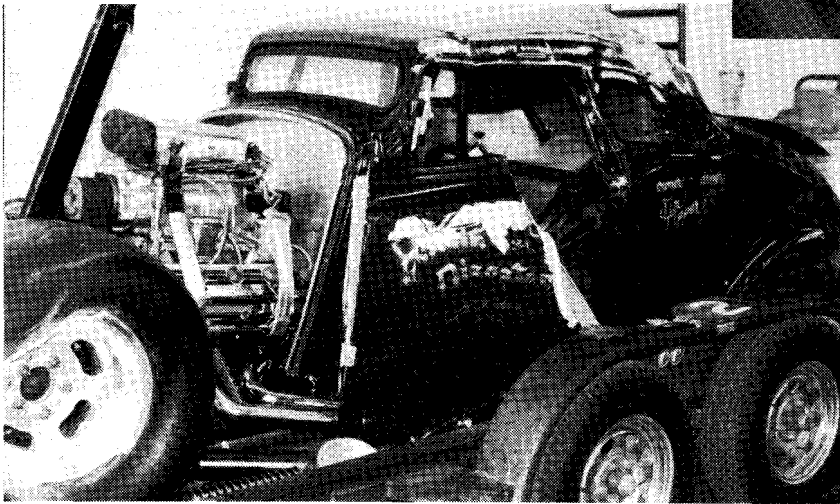
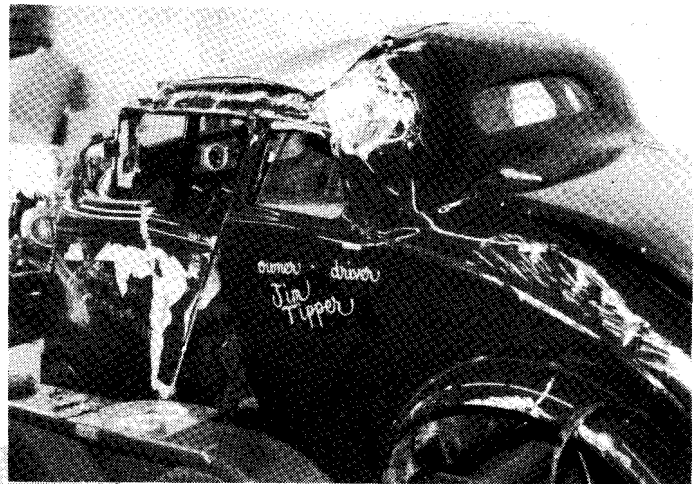
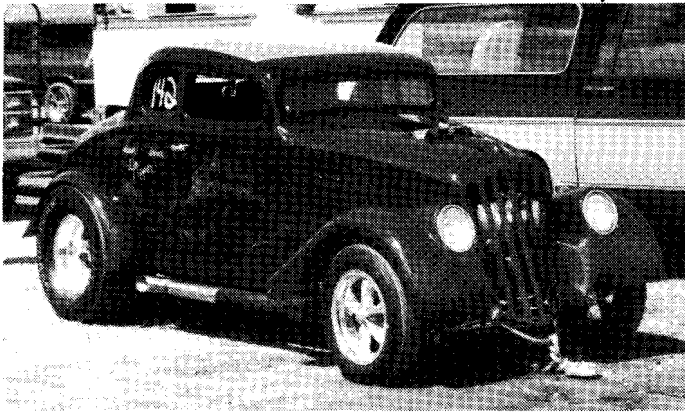
Here's an old drag car making a comeback. Fully boxed frame supports balanced 340 Dodge mill with forged 10:5-1 Pistons, Engle cam, 750 double pumper, Accel dual point and more. Tranny is Chrysler 4-spd with Mr Gasket vertical gate shifter. Rear end is GM 12-bolt (4:88). Tube front axle is mounted to Willys springs. It took Charlie 8 years to find that steel front end but he's in no hurry, this is a long term, low buck project and Charlie's handling all the work himself.



LEE CHILDRESS #127
LOUISVILLE KY

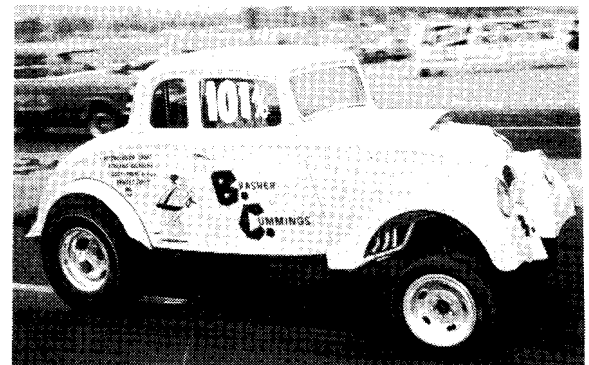
Lee's Pro-Street '40 pickup is one sharp ride with it's bright red paint and Center-lines. Short bed is hand made. Small block Chevy and Turbo 400 provide power. Truck has Camaro front subframe which provides independent suspension and disc brakes. Rear end is narrowed Ford 9". Milled rear view mirror and chrome door hinges are nice touches. Lee and his pickup see plenty of rod-run miles on the East Coast.

No More Flirting...



We are sorry to report a terrible accident that happened a few weeks prior to the Nostalgia Nat's. Jim Tipper, #055 was testing his "Flirting With Disaster" '33 coupe at Fremont in preparation for the big meet. Coming off the line the car was lurching

and obviously making alot of horsepower, it looked like a good stong pass until about a third of the way down the track the car made a slight move to the left and then a hard right turn for no apparent reason then skidded into a horrible triple barrel roll that left pieces of the car scattered over the track. The roll cage held up fine and Jim made it out with only a slight concussion and a few bruises. The car came off alot worse, the body was destroyed and both the front and rear end were torn from the car. The engine and transmission made it out without any real damage. A broken weld on the left traction bar is the suspected cause. The saddest thing, according to Jim, is that this car was a real piece of history.



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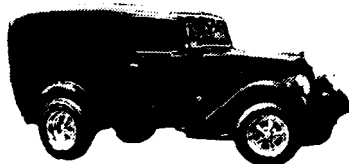


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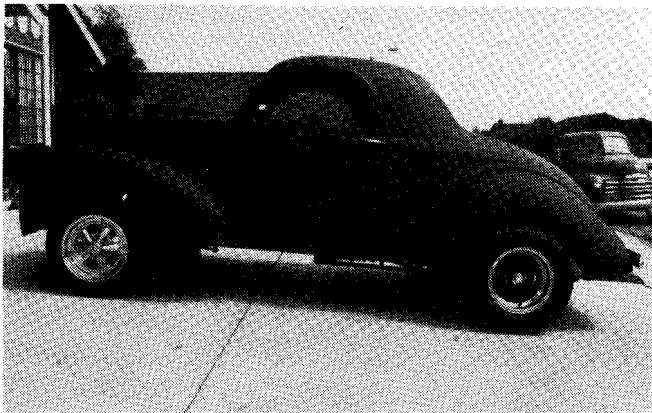
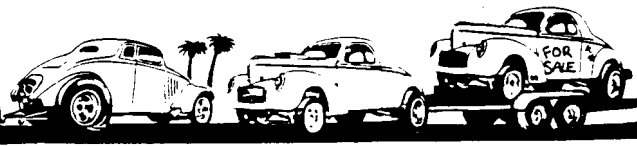
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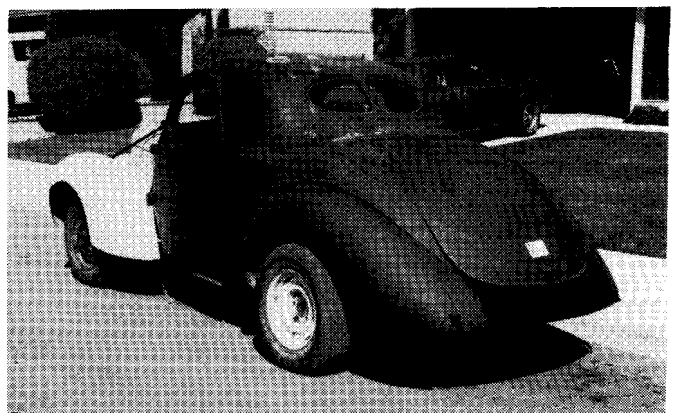
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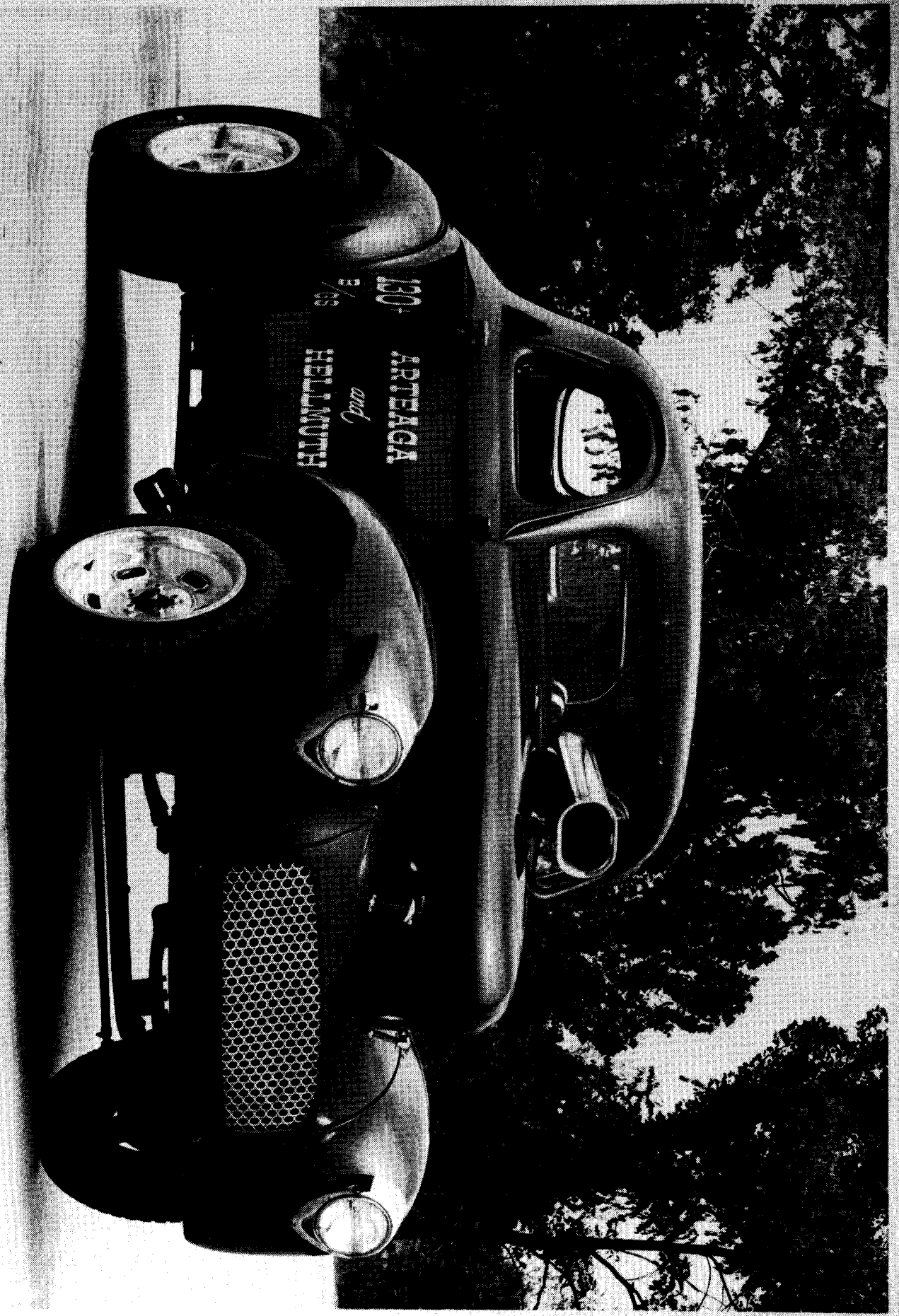
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