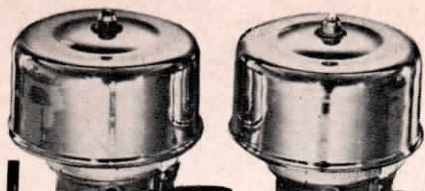


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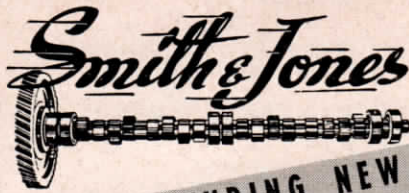
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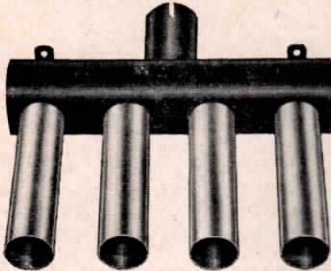
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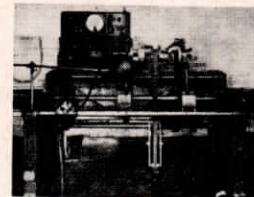
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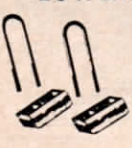


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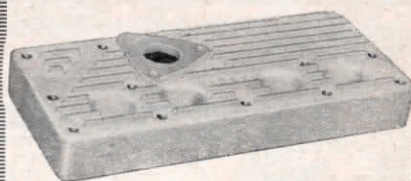
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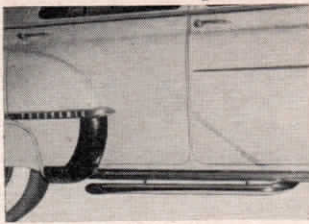
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a fluttering arc and I gave the old '36 mill all she would take. Beside me, I could hear the terrific thunder of the dragster, its mighty vibrations completely drowning out my car.

Go down fighting, O'Toole, I told myself despairingly.

McCann was about fifty feet out in front and approximately half way down the strip when it happened. Suddenly his engine began coughing and sputtering. I passed him a moment later like he was standing still. I jarred along to the end of the strip and then headed back. The dragster was completely stalled now. McCann bent over it, bewildered. Lena stood beside him, fuming and fussing. She was so excited she didn't notice me glide up behind them.

"I jus' can't figger what could've gone wrong," said McCann. He peered into the dragster, his brow lower than ever.

"You jerk!" screamed Lena, her face contorted with emotion. "You lost! You said it was a sure thing, but you lost! And I can't stand losers!"

"Lena!" I breathed softly.

She whipped around, and seeing me, quickly assumed a lovely smile . . . a promising smile.

"Hello, lover boy!" she simpered. "Well, I guess I'm all yours, sweetsies!"

Beside me, hidden from her sight, O'Hara cleared his throat and said, in a voice I could have sworn was mine: "How about that little caper you cut with the sugar, you pie faced witch?"

Her face contorted again.

"Blast you, McCann!" she shrieked. "You told me he was sound asleep!"

I couldn't believe my ears. Lena had been working against me all the time. She had put the sugar in my tank and now she was trying to play up to me because she couldn't stand a loser. Somehow, I didn't feel the same toward her any more. I noticed she had a wart on her nose and a dirty neck. I shuddered.

"Aw, honey!" she cooed, stepping up to the roadster. "I guess I'm just a crazy, mixed up kid. Ain'tcha gonna forgive your little ol' bunnyduck?"

Without warning, O'Hara popped up and shoved his weird little face right into hers.

"You conniving banshee!" he yelled. "Why don't you go home—your cage is clean!"

She passed out on the spot.

Heading back to town, I scratched my skull for an answer to McCann's sudden engine failure. It just didn't make sense. One minute that bomb was going like a screamer . . . the next, it was strangling to death.

"I'll tell you," said O'Hara, reading my mind again. "While he was yacking with you, I snuck under that dragster and pinched the fuel line about three quarters shut!"

"O'Hara!" I exclaimed.

"I'm a dirty dog," he said in mock shame. "Hey, let's drop by that drive-in and get some chow—I'm starved!"

"Did you know that delectable little blonde Ann McGurdy has had a crush on me for years?" I asked. "Maybe we should stop by and give the poor kid a break."

"Crazy, man, crazy!" said O'Hara.

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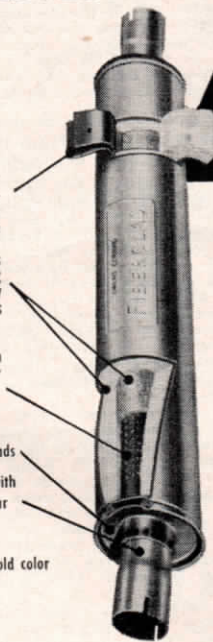
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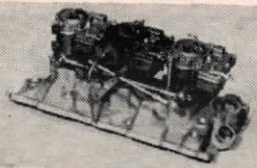


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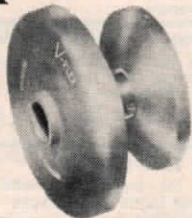
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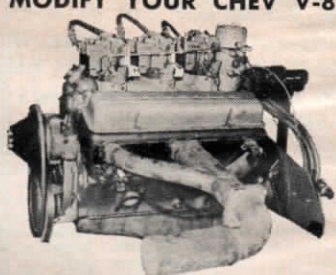
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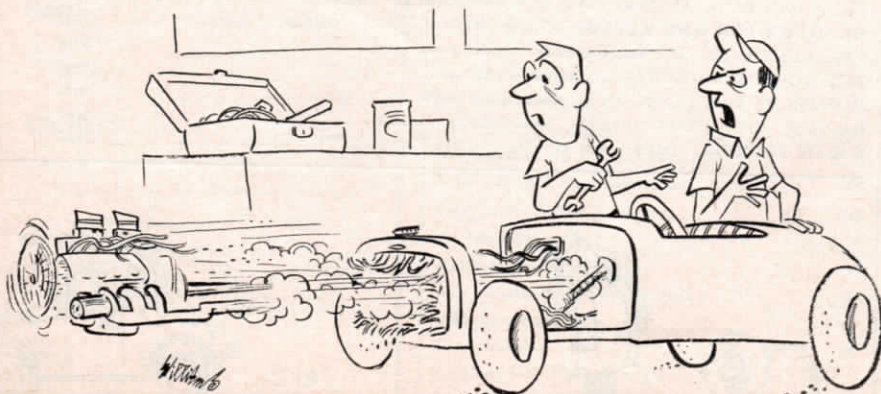
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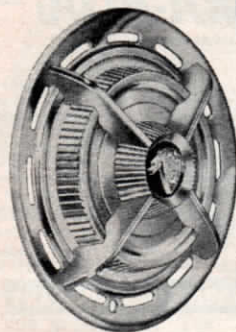
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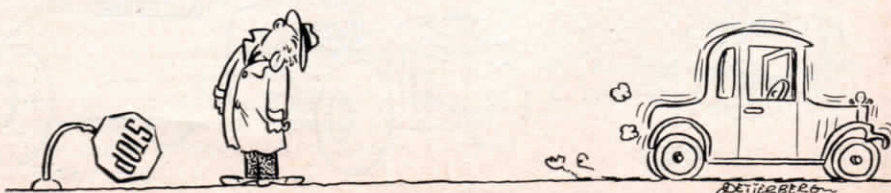
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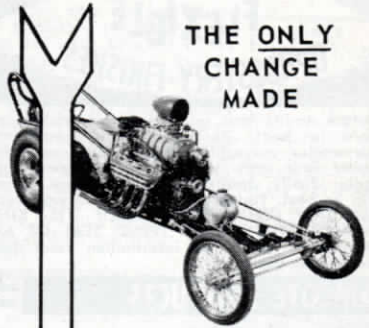
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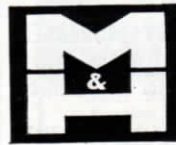
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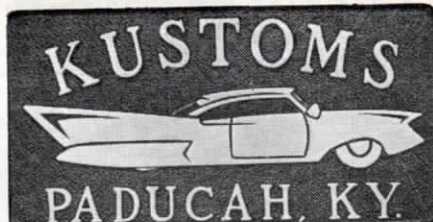
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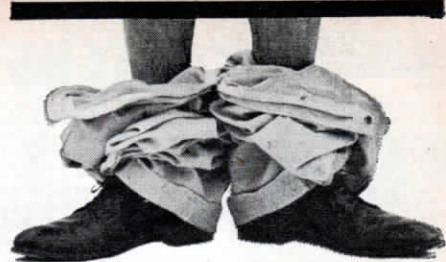
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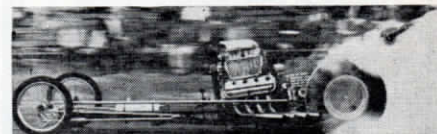


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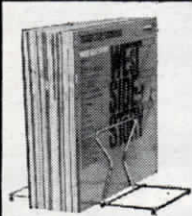
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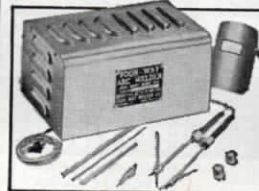
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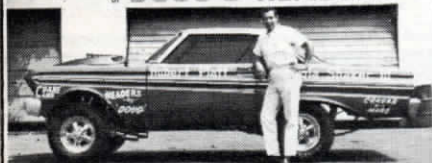
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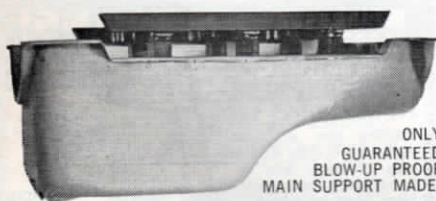
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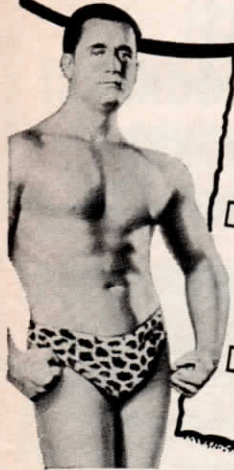
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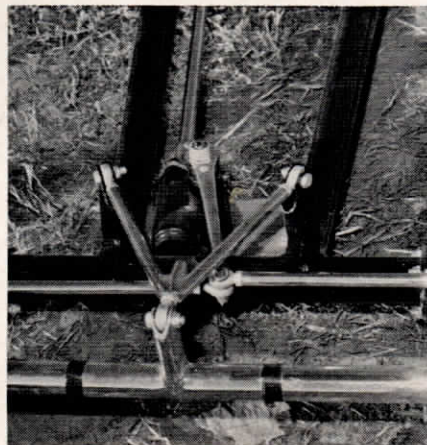
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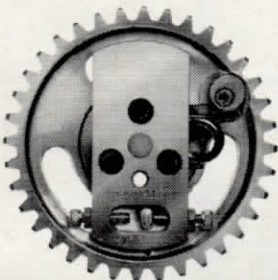
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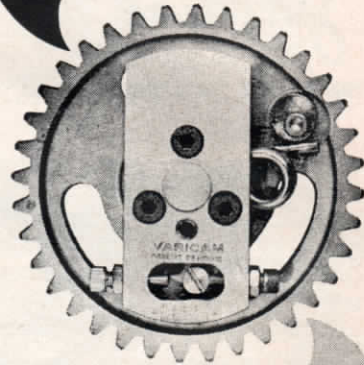
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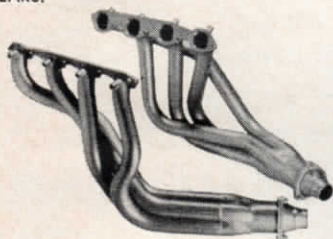


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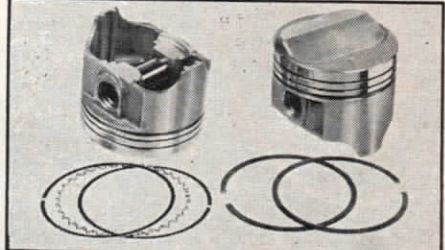
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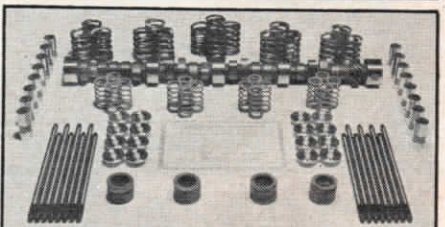
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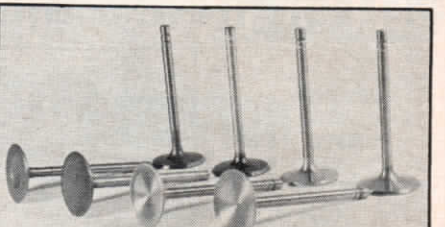
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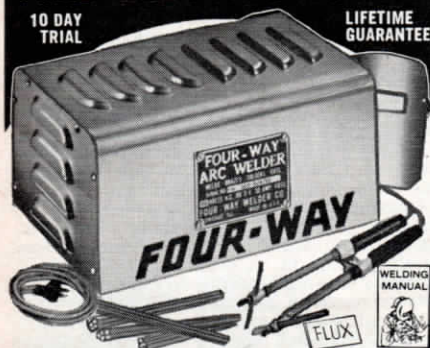
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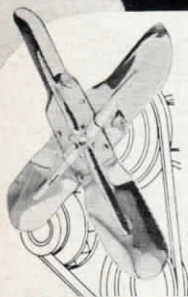
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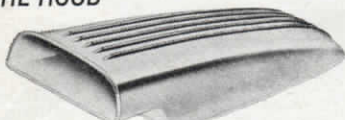
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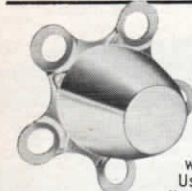


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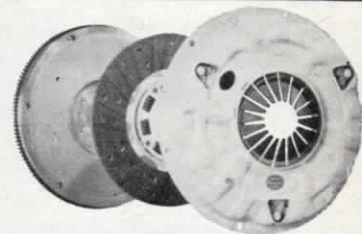
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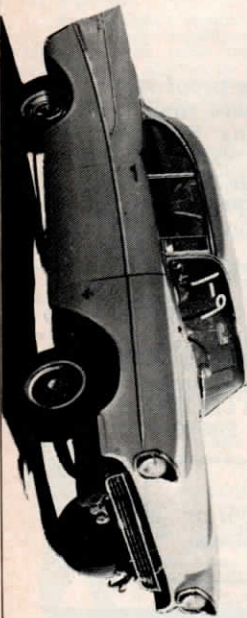
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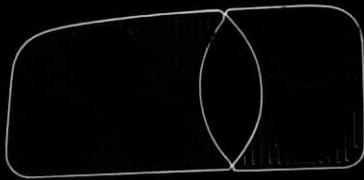
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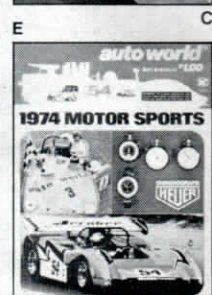
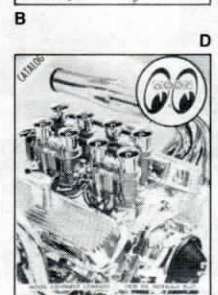
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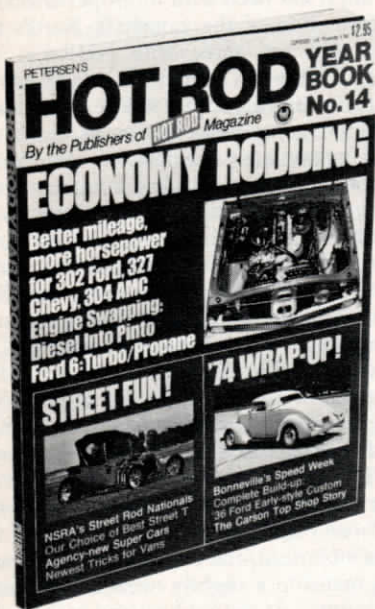
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