



Club Cab Pickup

A Club Cab pickup by Dodge offers bench seat for three and two jump seats. With seats folded, there's 34 cubic feet of space for gear. Designs reflect increased personal use in light duty vehicles.

Rare Classic Touring Car Shown By S.A. Owner

A 1911 Thomas Flyer, a sister to the winner of the 1909 New York-Paris Great Race is a featured attraction at the 5th Annual International Auto Show, now in progress.

The big green touring car, valued at more than \$125,000, has never been shown in San Antonio although it is owned by S.P. Stevens, owner of Stevens Outdoor Advertising Co. of San Antonio.

The Auto Show will be at the Convention Center Exhibit Hall. The show is open from 5 p.m. to 10 p.m. through Friday, from noon until 11 p.m. Saturday and from noon until 9 p.m. Sunday.

Stevens purchased the car about two years ago for "about

\$10,000." He then set about having it restored to its original condition. When he bought it, the car consisted merely of a chassis, engine, wheels and frame.

Stevens says that when the car was new it sold for \$6,500 at a time when Cadillacs were selling for about a third of that.

In order to be as authentic as possible in the restoration, Stevens visited the famed Harrah Museum in Nevada. "I filled a small notebook with statistics and took about 40

photos of their Thomas and then took the entire package to Larry Amsley in Hershey, Pa., who did the actual restoration work."

The result of Amsley's work is one of the most accurate restorations of an antique car ever accomplished.

For example, last May Stevens entered his prize in the famed Texas Tour in Houston. The car won all three major awards on the tour including the coveted Liston Zander Award as the most desirable car, the award for best car in its class and the award for the best pre-1916 car.

For car buffs, some of the Flyer's specifications include a 132 in. wheel base with 26 in. wheels. It sports a six cylinder, T-head engine. The block is cast aluminum and the heads are made of white porcelain.

Each cylinder has three spark plugs. One is fired by a distributor and the other two are fired by magneto. The car is shaft driven with a full floating rear axle and can travel from four to 57 m.p.h. in third gear.

For those who appreciate fine finish work all wooden parts, including the trunk and tool box are of solid mahogany. It took the hides of nine cows to complete the leather work which includes the front and rear seats, straps for the hood and coverings for the convertible top struts.

Headlights, door handles and even the telescopic bumper are made of solid brass.

Stevens will be at the 5th Annual International Auto Show to discuss and describe his fabulous restoration.

Also being shown in the Auto

Show are 1974 models of virtually every domestic and foreign car, accessories of every size, shape and description, dragsters, crazy cars and an infinite variety of everything automotive.

Admission to the show is \$1.50 for adults and 50 cents for children under 12.

Autos Built In 28 States

While Detroit is considered the motor vehicle capital of the U.S., only about one-fourth of all automotive facilities are located in Michigan. According to the Motor Vehicle Manufacturers Association the assembly of cars, trucks and buses takes place in 95 plants located in 74 cities in 28 different states.

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