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The new Delahaye 235 is a high performance car with graceful lines that drives like a dream

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DELAHAYE has introduced a new model in a long line of very fine cars and one that surpasses in many ways the previous products of this company.

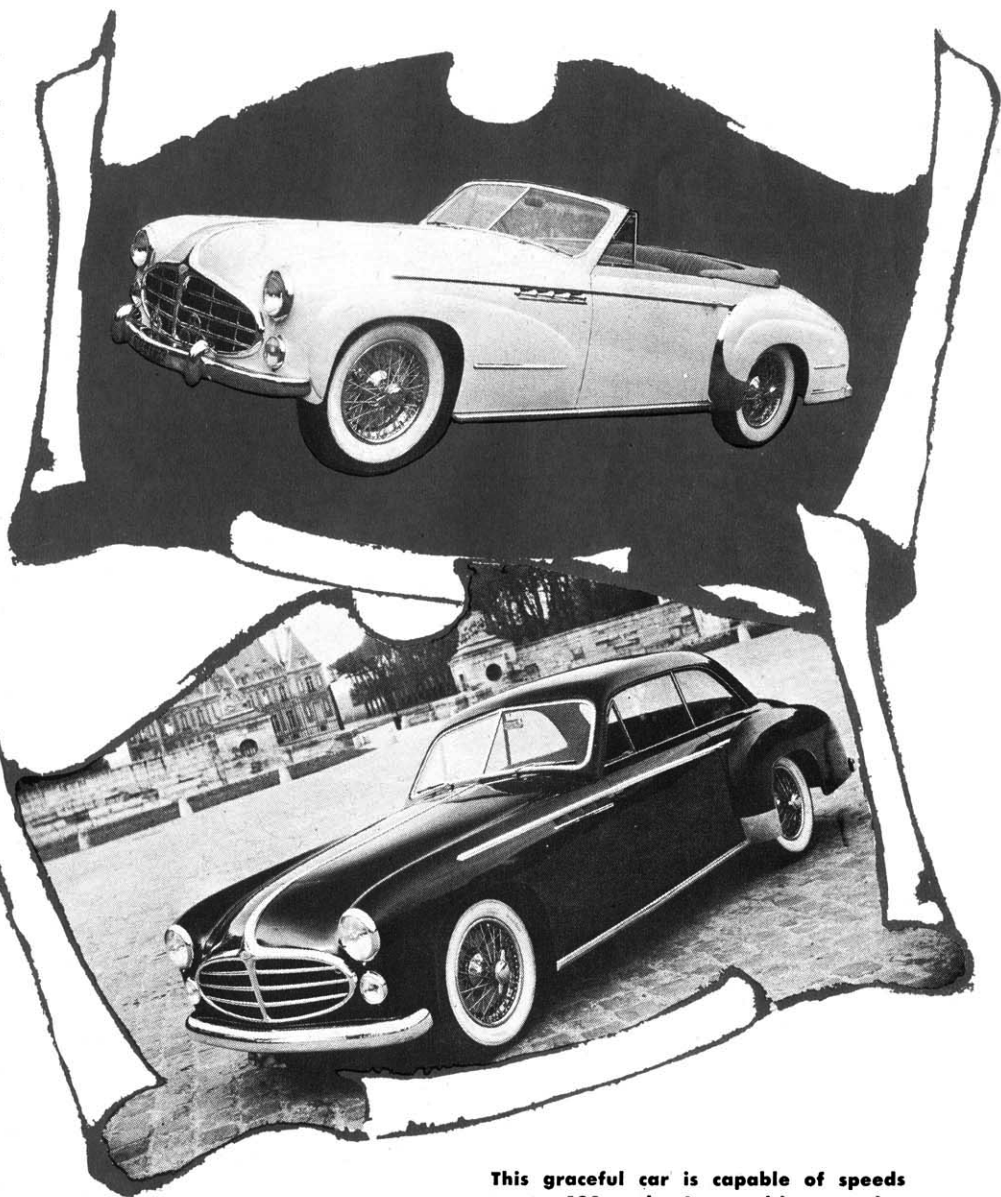
The new type 235 is actually a development of the 135 series, with increased horsepower, and refined styling that should appeal to anyone in search of a high performance car that embodies room, comfort, and high good looks in one package. And, for the enthusiast, this is one of the few cars that has almost all the 'specifications' considered desirable in a quality automobile.

Don't let the size of the package fool you. The 235 is capable of close to 120 miles per hour, and the three Solex carburetors, Rudge knock-off wire wheels, huge brake drums and sensitive steering (two and three-quarters turns from lock to lock), make really high averages over the open road possible in complete safety. All this, and space for luggage and passengers, too!

The trunk is divided, with the spare tire and tools stored so that no luggage need be removed to change a wheel, and the interior and finish is second to none. In short, if it's a mixture of luxury and speed you're after, the Delahaye 235 comes pretty close to filling the bill on both counts.

Some of the details are, six cylinders (84 x 107 mm.), three Solex carburetors with a special balanced air intake, eight to one compression ratio, all developing 152 horsepower at 4,500 rpm. The transmission is a four-speed Cotal 'pre-selector' type, and coupled with the independent front suspension gives a silent and extremely comfortable ride.

The performance is truly spectacular. The car, with two passengers, has made the circuit of the Montlhery Road course in five minutes, twenty-four seconds for an average speed of slightly over sixty mph., and there are many sports cars that can't do much to better that, let alone do it in comfort. ☆ ☆



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