

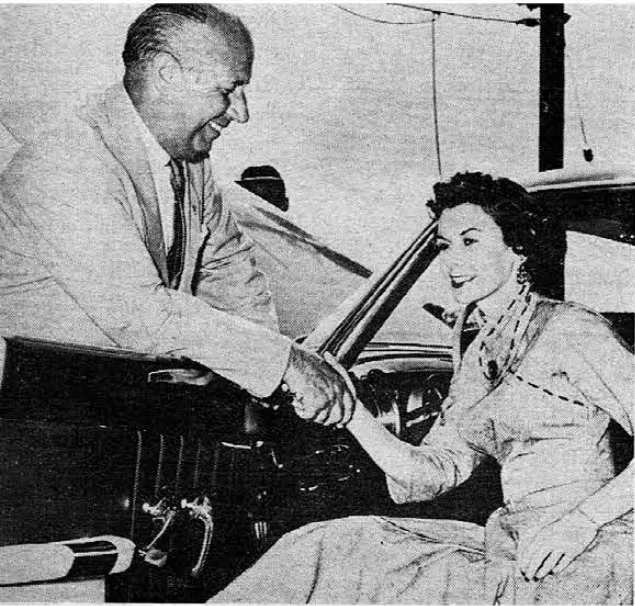
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**SANTA BARBARA, CALIFORNIA**—The second annual running of the Santa Barbara Road Race proved to be a tremendous attention-getter. Excitement ran high as cars and drivers' names were listed. The public was very interested in one name: Porfirio Rubirosa, internationally known diplomat and sportsman. Scheduled to appear with a new, streamlined Ferrari "Mondial," Rubirosa also appeared with better-known Zsa Zsa Gabor.

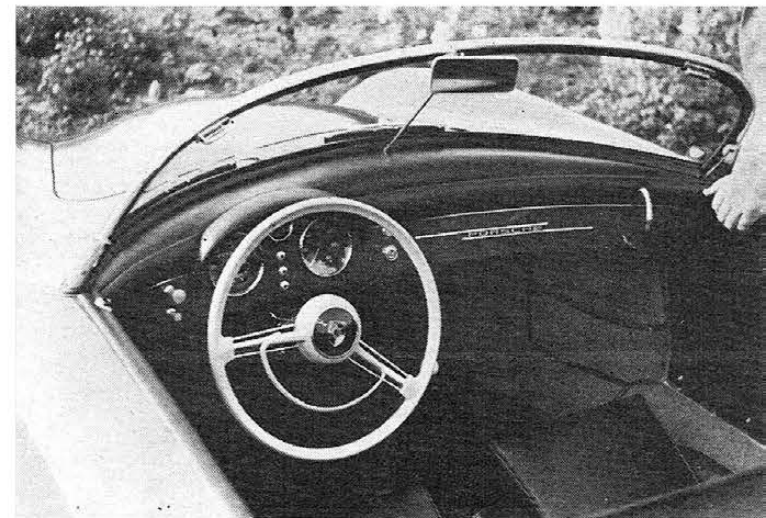


**DETROIT, MICHIGAN**—A preview of the new look in military vehicles was exhibited recently, when an experimental quarter-ton utility vehicle, the Ford XM-151, was delivered to the Army Ordnance Corps. It began when Ford was asked to design a vehicle which would weigh less and cost less to produce yet have improved mobility, performance and easier maintenance than previous models. The prototype was delivered, at elaborate ceremonies, with a curb weight 600 pounds less than existing models but with 30 percent more cruising range with the same fuel load. Powered by a promising new ohv 4 cylinder engine, which should have many civilian uses, the car features a new version of the "swing axle" which is interchangeable front to rear and left to right.



**CHELSEA, MICHIGAN**—Betty Skelton, petite, 98 pound, brunette-haired aviatrix and speed enthusiast, proved that being pretty is not detrimental to going fast. She received the heartfelt congratulations of R. C. Sommerville, Dodge vice-president, after she set a new women's closed-track record with an average speed of 144.02 mph. She drove an experimental Dodge Fire Arrow through buffeting 30 mph crosswinds at Chrysler's new Chelsea Proving Grounds. This record broke the previous mark of 143.44 which was set by Miss Skelton but three months before in another Dodge Fire Arrow.

# LIFE



**LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA**—Porsche, an honored name in the automotive field, broke sharply with tradition when, at a recent press and dealers' party, it hosted the first American introduction of its low-priced sports car. A small, economical roadster called the "Speedster," it is designed to appeal to the economy-minded sports car buyer, yet has many features of the more expensive versions. Coupled with plenty of leg room, modern styling, a good convertible top, lots of luggage space and the reliable "America" engine, the car was tabbed with a price near the \$3000 mark. Because of these factors, guests at the showing felt Porsche held promise of becoming next year's top sports car.

