

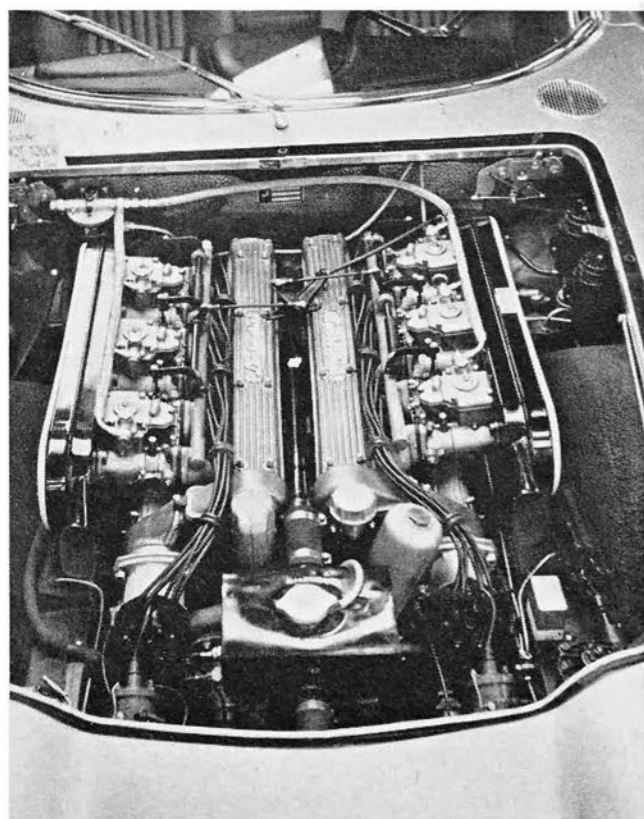


**SPECIAL BARRACUDA** is more typical of usual show cars. Restyled grille uses solid center section that smooths out the frontal appearance but it certainly would add to engine cooling problems. A clear plastic bubble installed over the carburetor permits the hood to clear the high-rise intake system on the 426-cu. in. Street Hemi engine and the peasants to admire the breastworks.



**INTRIGUING SHOW-STOPPER** which didn't make it to the party was the Pontiac sport coupe called Banshee (left and below), yanked from the New York Auto Show just before opening by GM officialdom. "We don't make it for sale," was the reason given, but could it have been something else? There was speculation that it revealed too much about the fabled forthcoming Pontiac "Panther" and displayed styling lines very close to those of Chevrolet's anti-Mustang. Banshee (named for the jet plane, not the Irish legend) has a 109-in. wheelbase, 196.7 in. overall length, a 421-cu. in. V-8 engine, 4-wheel independent suspension and torque-tube drive.

# AUTOSHOW



DEAN BATCHELOR



**UNCOMMON MUSTANG** is this station wagon conversion commissioned by adman Barney Clark and designer Bob Cumberford of New York. Intermeccanica of Italy performed the actual reconstruction, moving the rear of the hardtop back to the rear and installing a longer roof section and swing-out side windows. With fuel filler located in the rear quarter, lower rear panel could be adapted into a swing-down tailgate to complete the station wagon idiom.

**CARBURETION ENTHUSIASTS** go into ecstasy at the sight of the Lamborghini V-12. No less than six (count 'em, six) Weber twin-choke carburetors line up between the camshaft banks to provide plenty of inhaling potential for this new Italian racing-type engine. The Lamborghini is produced by a farm equipment manufacturer and is a fast-rising contender for the position occupied by Ferrari as the premier automobile for discriminating people.

**GRAND CORNICHE** landau, though it isn't built for sale either, still appeared on Pontiac stand. Roof retracts in three sections to provide open-air driving for chauffeur, yet still shade the passenger. It's named for a famed Mediterranean coastal highway, but Webster's defines the term as "high or important or large ledge." Perhaps it suggests Top Notch for the U.S. market.

