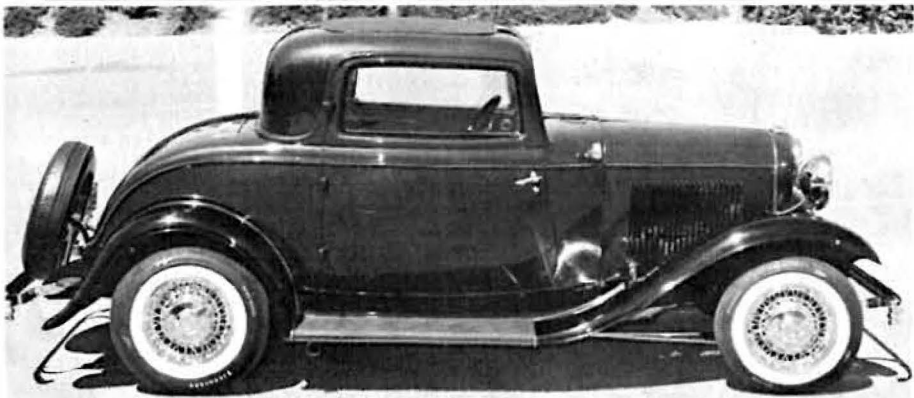


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In case this looks like it stepped out of the fifties, in a way it has.

Realizing a long dream is great, and Tom Mierkey did just that when he finally was able to be the owner of this fine '32 Ford 3-window coupe. Tom saw the car at the Oakland Roadster Show during the fifties and wanted it, but it wasn't until much later that he got it buying it from a friend who had bought it from the builder, Ray Jones. The car features many new old-stock items and is flawless front to rear. A dropped and filled '32 I-beam axle is used with Ford brakes up front while out back a 1966 Corvette rear end with disc brakes does its thing. In-between, a 327 Chevrolet engine coupled to a late model Powerglide provides go. The car rides around on wide whites, just like it did in the fifties, that are mounted on a set of 1956 Plymouth wire wheels. The steering is the stock '32 item. The stock '32 3-window dash was retained, but it was fitted with a set of instruments from a 1933 Plymouth. The interior is a combination of mohair and Naugahyde, with the mohair being used on the enclosed part and the Naugahyde in the rumble seat area. Chantilly Poly maroon acrylic lacquer was applied to the body and black to the fenders by Vans Auto Body of Berkeley, California. Bringing the car back to its earlier show condition has given Tom much satisfaction, but now driving is the name of the game for car and owner.





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