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A British single-seater baby car, ordered in quantity for the disabled, is to be made in two-seater form for the general public.

Ideal for shopping and economical local runs though it will be, motorists will have to be patient.

The Ministry of Pensions have ordered the first 2000

for free distribution as luxury invalid carriages.

Then the makers, AC Motors of Thames Ditton, will market the two-seater.

The car can do 45 miles an hour and up to 70 miles

per gallon, with a four-gallon petrol tank.

It is a three-wheeler, but does not look it, for the front wheel is centred under a rounded bonnet.

Though the engine, a BSA 250 cc four-stroke, is smallish even for a motor cycle, the little vehicle has the design and practice of a proper car rather than of a motor cycle.

The body of the car consists of light steel framework covered with aluminium panelling and double-hinged type doors on the near-side are designed for easy access by a disabled person.

Provision is made at the rear to house a folding invalid chair.

Folding chair

The appearance of the vehicle has been greatly influenced by the carrying of the folding chair and the two-seater general-purpose car is expected to be more attractive.

Mr. Robert Schey, secretary of the RAAF Benefit Fund, said in Sydney today that the British Government had passed legislation to provide cars for disabled ex-Servicemen.

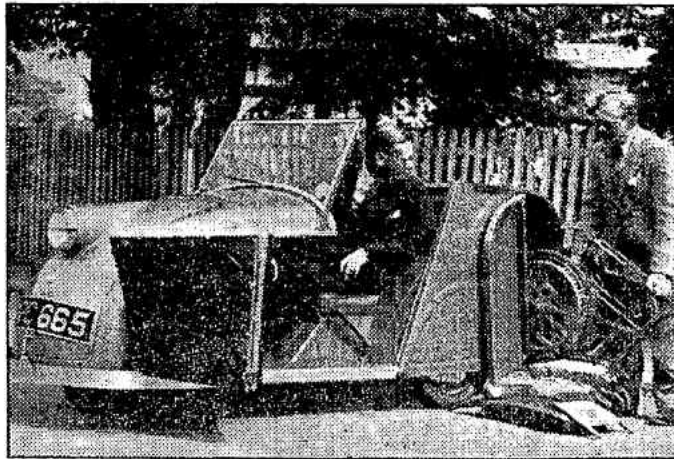
In Australia the question of cars for disabled ex-Servicemen is now being considered by the Commonwealth Government.

Recently a deputation of these men was received in Canberra by the Prime Minister and the Minister for Repatriation (Mr. Barnard), who promised "sympathetic consideration for their claims," said Mr. Schey.

"We have suggested that it would be most appropriate to supply each man with a Holden car," he added.

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Racing records broken

Seven motor racing records were broken at the Records Day held by the Sporting Car Club on the Mount Druitt airstrip on Sunday.

Seventy starters attempted the records for the accelerated quarter-mile in all classes.

The club records events are the eliminations before the attempts on the official Australian standing quarter-mile and kilometre records, to be held soon.

Originally set down for Sunday, July 17, this meeting has been postponed

3000-5000 cc racing cars. Frank Kleinig (Hudson Special), 15.1.

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1101-1500 cc racing cars. Arthur Rizzo (Biley-Special), 16.8.

1101-1500 cc sporting cars. R. Gordon (supercharged MGTC), 18.

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Up to 500 cc racing cars. J. Hooper (Hooper 500) 16.8.

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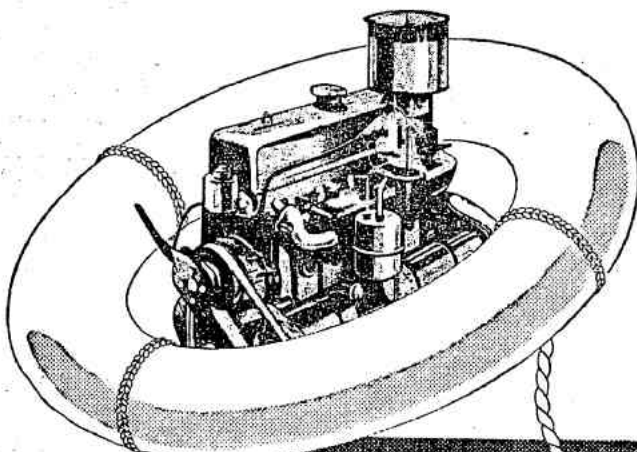
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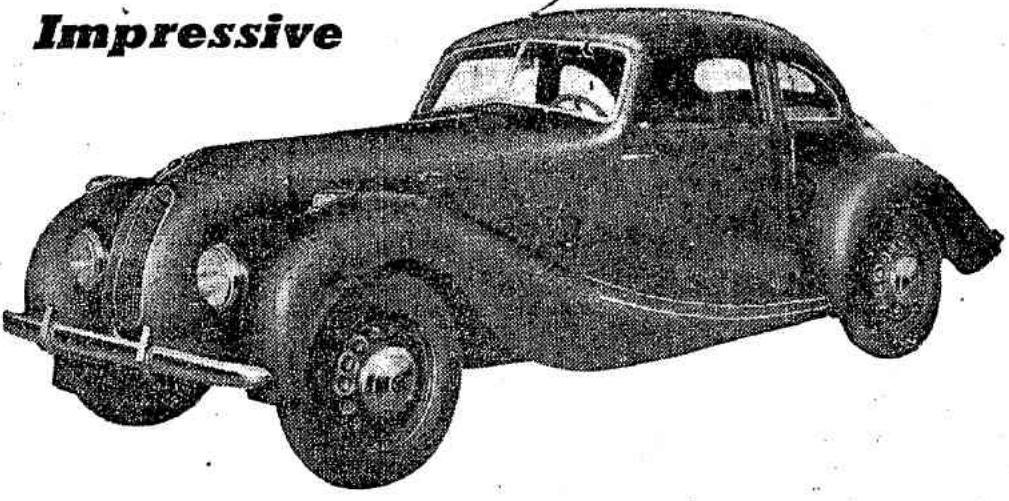
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