

It's a Messerschmitt

A German Messerschmitt has invaded peaceful Middle Tennessee. This time, however, it is not one of the World War I combat planes that were so dreaded (and respected). It's a 10 horsepower automobile (?) brought to this country by M/Sgt. Alvin Duermeyer, a new arrival at AEDC.

The car was purchased in France during Alvin's overseas tour. He became so attached (you can hardly get out) to it that he brought it back home with him.

After docking in New York, Alvin had to drive the car to Tullahoma. This, he did, and on 13½ gallons of gas. You see, this car only uses one gallon for every 85 miles.

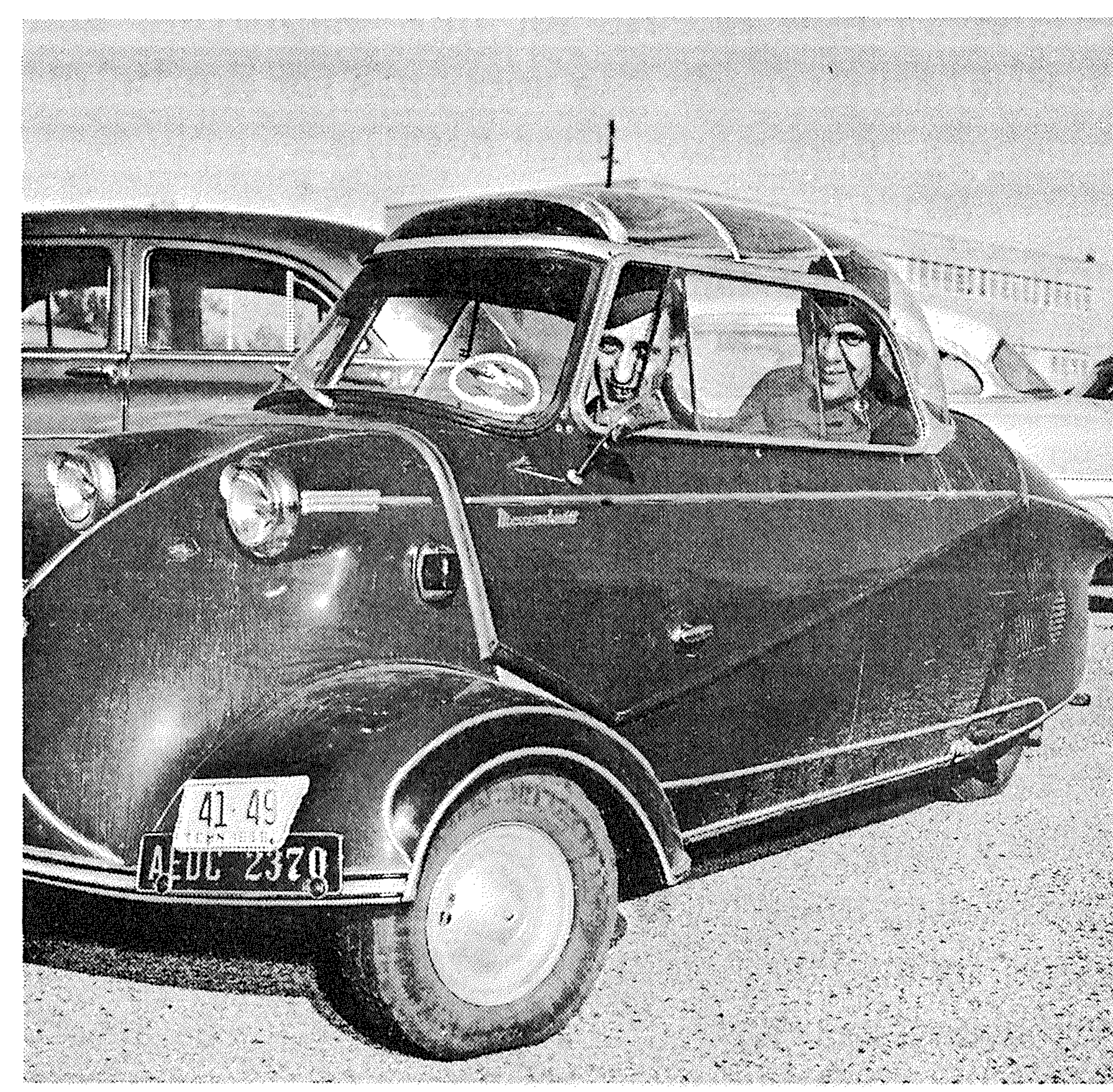
Economical, sure, and a lot of fun. Alvin says he attracts attention everywhere he drives. For instance, the other day, he invited M/Sgt. Pete Peltier to go for a ride. HIGH MACH heard about the invitation, and knowing Pete's size (?) was curious to see if it would really work.

Incidentally, Alvin's family did not make the New York-Tullahoma trip with him. You see, in addition to his wife, there are five kids (and they just won't fit).

Alvin told us he uses about four (4) gallons of gas per month.



MADE IT - says Pete with a complacent look on his face. Alvin seems to be a bit dubious as he starts to close the lid.



IN SOLID - (and we do mean that) says Pete, as they start to go for a ride (note the flat tire expression on the one rear wheel).



DOUBTFUL PETE - isn't sure this is the thing to do as he watches Alvin start to open the "hatch".