



32. I have this friend. He weighs a lot and now lives in New Jersey. Three years ago he said, "You're nuts, Senter. The thing is junk, and Fred Gregory agrees with me."
"Oh yeah," I quipped

with erudition, "Well, in two years this thing will be mint... and you'll still be fat!" This scene was played during the removal of 80 feet of exhaust pipe roll cage, the beginning of a long road back for a clapped-out B.F. Goodrich Radial Tirebird. But it would come back strong enough to cause Zora Arkus Duntov to grin with enthusiasm during a ride through Marina Del Rey in 1974. My friend is Terry Cook, former editor of CAR CRAFT and HOT ROD Magazines. And I feel it is appropriate to mention at this time-now that all the work is done and the car is exactly as I originally hoped it would be—that Terry Cook was absolutely no help.-T.S.



47. No one in his right mind leaves large amounts of money lying around unguarded. And the need for added security at many dragstrips around the nation is welcome, indeed, for the bucks-down racer. If all this sounds confusing, take heart. It's all explained in our feature on big-money bracket racing, which you will see immediately as the potential happy hunting ground for little guy racers.



78. Moving up in status has alway's been the great American dream. As you can judge by close examination of this photo, the ascent is not always complete. It takes time and certain adjustments for some to complete the transition to higher society. For the stars of our little vignette, "Duke" Roughneck and his wife Moll, the first big step was the purchase of their new Gentleman Jim, a mode of transportation that vaulted them from the ranks of the faceless crowd. (Posed by non-professional models, who have sworn to deny the whole thing if they are spotted.)

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