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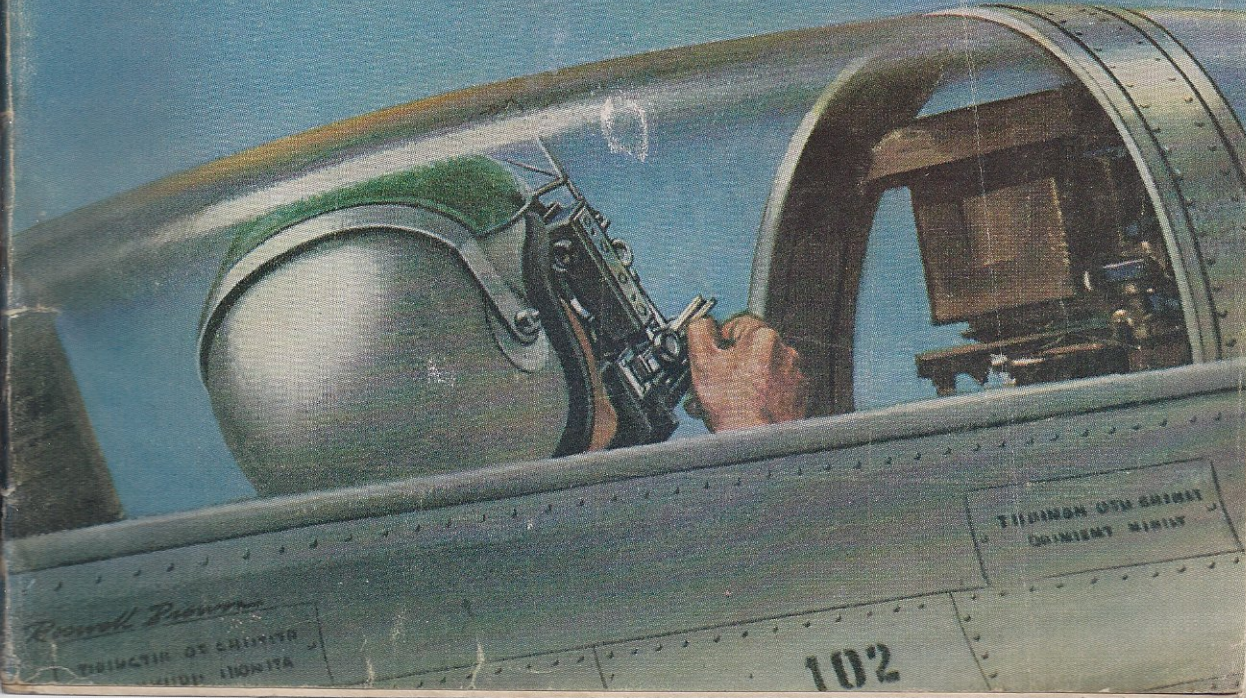
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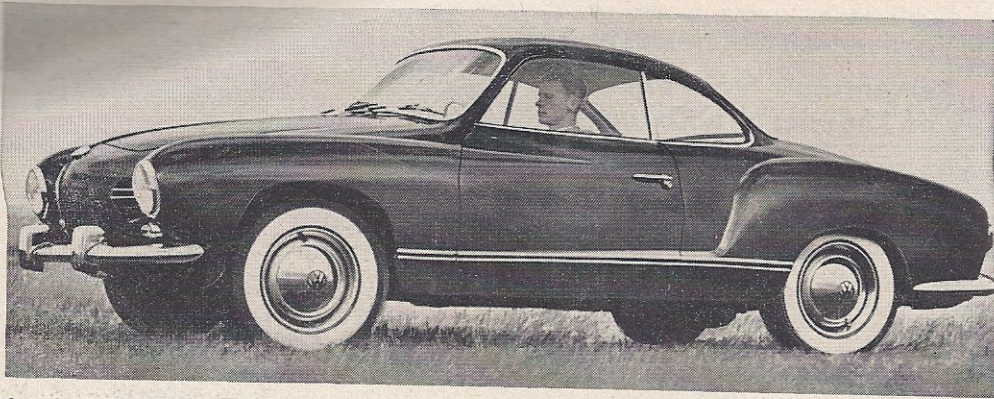
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Completely streamlined, the low, sleek body is designed and built by one of Italy's most famous body shops

## Volkswagen Gets a Sport-Coupe Model

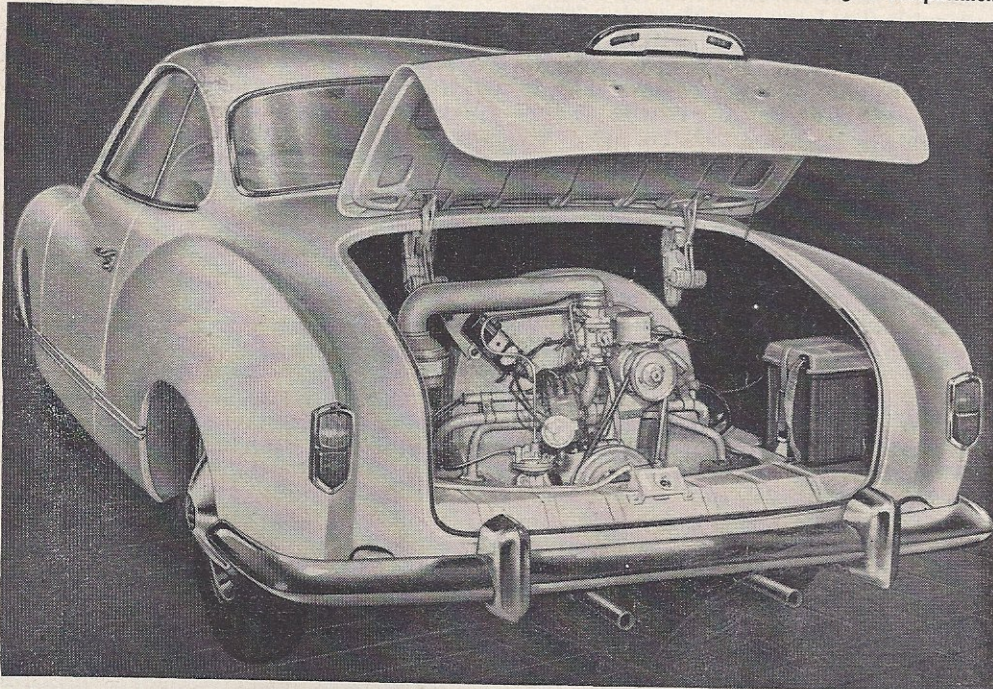
LOW AND STREAMLINED, a two-passenger sport coupe is available on a Volkswagen chassis. The car, called the Karmann-Ghia-Coupe, has standard VW chassis components with only those minor modifications made necessary by the drastic streamlining. Designed to seat two persons comfortably on adjustable bucket seats, the car does have two additional jump seats in the rear suitable for children or for adults on short trips only. Normally the area behind the front seats is used for

luggage. The engine is the standard four-cylinder air-cooled power plant that has made the VW famous for reliability and economy. It is in the rear, of course, and puts out 36 horsepower. Price of the car is about \$2400.

### SPECIFICATIONS

Wheelbase .....	94.5 inches
Over-all length .....	163 inches
Over-all width .....	64.2 inches
Over-all height .....	52.2 inches
Weight .....	1782 pounds
Top speed .....	72 miles per hour
Average fuel consumption .....	32 miles per gallon

In the rear is the VW air-cooled four-cylinder engine. The battery is mounted in the engine compartment



## "Auto Raft" Does

Using two Army rubber tubes, Dr. Sverre Quisling of Madras, Oregon, has constructed an "autoraft" which might be useful in time of war. It is the result of experiments in a new method for military vehicles. The raft consists of two rubber tubes with beams between the pontoon

## Danes Begin Mining Op

Lead and zinc will soon be mined at a point 140 miles north of the town of Sisimiut in East Greenland, where the average temperature is 16 degrees below zero. A 10-foot deep is common. A Danish mining company has built a town, Mesters Vig, near the mine.

