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A classy Way of Travelling

For most people and for aviation historians the name Glenn H. Curtiss is linked to the early days of motorized flights. Only a very few know that his innovations and ideas also gave direction to the development of road vehicles.

In the 1920s he attracted attention with the realization of a comfortable camping trailer. As his customers were mostly well-heeled US-citizens, the interior design of the trailer was usually very luxurious. In order to improve the level of drive comfort, Curtiss modified several technical aspects of his camping trailer step-by-step beginning in 1927. The special trailer became known under the term "Aerocar". The special truck/ trailer combination consisting of the "Aerocar" camping trailer and the specially built, streamlined REO truck was built at the request of the then over 50-year old Dr. Hubert Eaton in 1937. His wealth based on the idea and operation of the Forest Lawn Memorial-Park in Los Angeles, a famous cemetery that

was arranged as a park afterwards where many renowned Hollywood stars found their last resting place.

The interior of his semitrailer camping truck was very luxuriously furnished. The built-in kitchen and the toilet left nothing to be desired. Even an air condition was on-board. By use of an intercom system, the inside of the trailer chauffeured Eaton was able to talk to his chauffeur, who steered the REO truck. Behind the driver's cab the driver had a separate sleeper cab.

The unique truck/ trailer combination was in use at the Memorial-Park until 1991.

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