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Unusual 1926 German Hanomag Latest Addition to Lane Motor Museum

Nashville TN, May 11, 2006. Continually looking for the unique and unusual, Lane Motor Museum recently acquired a 1926 Hanomag 2/10 PS. Hanomag was an established name in Germany when the company produced its first car. Hanomag built their first steam engine in 1836; by 1905 they were producing steam trucks. When the steam locomotive market declined, the company began looking for an alternative product.

This Hanomag vehicle was first produced in 1924 and advertised as a 2/10 PS, but its odd looks earned it the nickname, "Kommissbrot", which translates into "mess hall bread" as the design of the vehicle reminded one of a loaf of bread. Two structural details gave the vehicle its unusual appearance. First, to make the seat as wide as possible for two people, the running boards were removed. Second, the engine was mounted on the rear which provided ample leg room for passengers.

The "Kommissbrot" was taken out of production after the Austin Seven appeared on the German market as the Austin was a four seater and sold for less than the Hanomag.

About Lane Motor Museum

Lane Motor Museum showcases approximately 150 unique cars and motorcycles from around the world. Cars on display represent countries from Asia, Europe, North and South America, and date from 1922 to 2003. Highlights of the museum include the largest Czechoslovakian vehicle collection outside Europe, microcars, amphibious vehicles, alternative fuel vehicles, competition cars, and prototypes. The Museum also offers a display of automotive art, a special play area for children, and a gift shop.

Lane Motor Museum welcomes guests Thursday through Monday from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Closed Tuesday & Wednesday; Thanksgiving Day, Christmas Day & New Year's Day. Regular admission is \$5 for adults, \$3 for seniors (55+), and free for children 17 and under. Group rates are available. Lane Motor Museum is located at 702 Murfreesboro Pike just minutes from Downtown Nashville. For more information on the Museum, call (615) 742-7445 or visit the website at www.lanemotormuseum.org.

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