

HOLY CHARIOTS, a COP!

A couple of technicians
prove the Batmobile is safe at any speed

They picked a time when the Freeway was least crowded—Sunday morning. The men in the Batmobile cockpit were George Barris (driving, right) and his business partner, Lester Tompkins. Barris calls himself the Kustom Kar King, and he designs kooky cars for TV.

Barris popped the Batmobile's parachutes to slow up and suddenly a policeman's siren sounded. Barris hove to.

"What," the cop wanted to know, "do you guys think you're doing."

"Why, officer," said Barris, talking fast, "we're road-testing the Batmobile to make sure it's in top mechanical con-

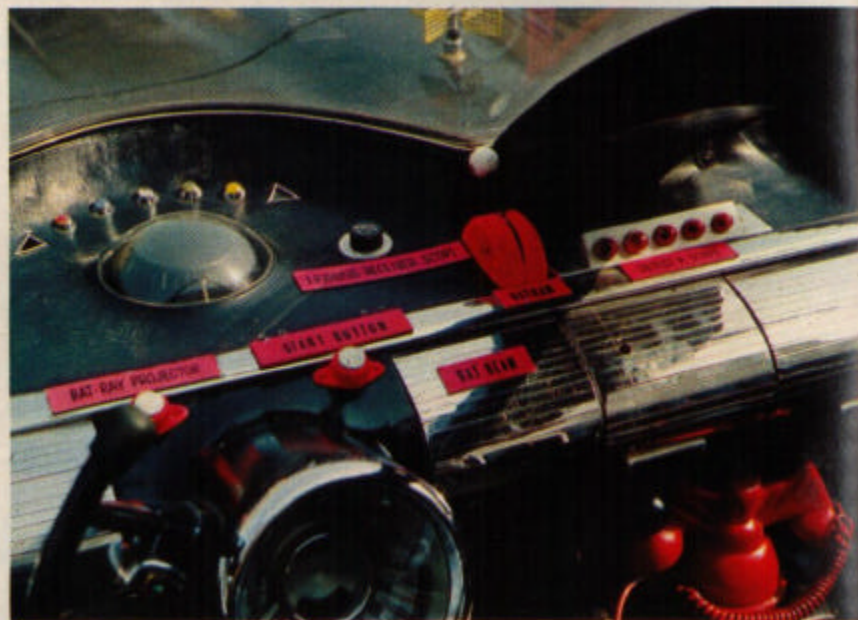
dition, so Batman can catch the Riddler." The cop laughed. "Oh," he said, and waved them on. For, as any policeman knows, Batman and his multifarious gadgets are on the side of the law.

For those not up on their Batmobile gear, here is a rundown, from left, as noted on the dashboard below:

Bat-Ray Projector—The electronic ray which disables bad guys.

Start Button—A decoy. When an unknowing crook touches this button, rockets explode.

Homing Receiver Scope—Radar screen which homes on a device that may be planted on a crook.



Bat Beam—Light which flashes a message on the sky.

Batram—A ram, 12 inches in diameter, which comes out car front.

Detect-a-Scope—Same as Homing Receiver. These are the buttons which refine scope image.

Parachutes, which stop the car, are mounted on each side of the jet exhaust (right). Exhaust flame is caused by gas being forced through jet tube.

