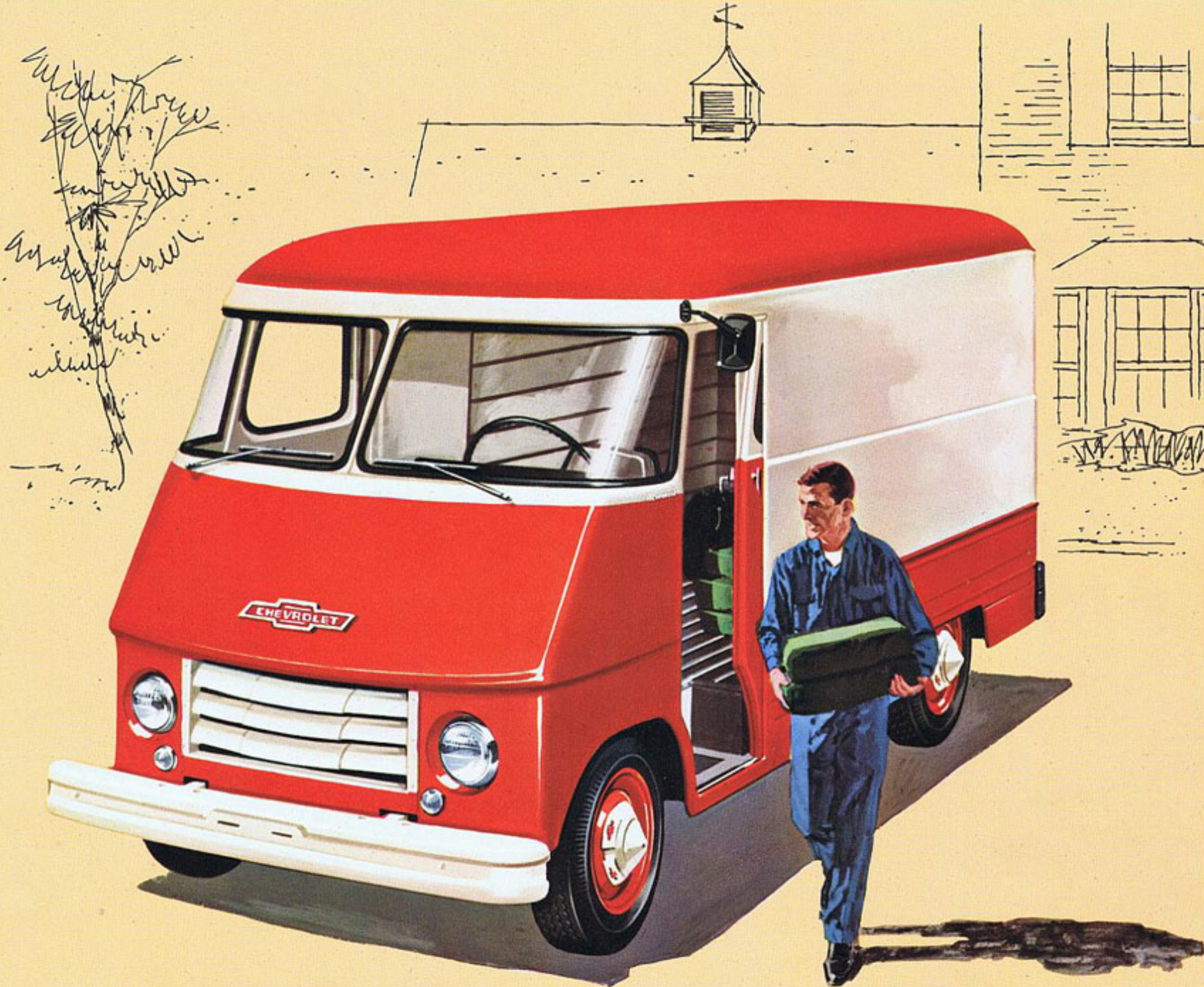




**FORWARD  
CONTROL  
CHASSIS**

**STURDI-BILT TRUCKS**





### CHEVROLET STEP-VANS FOR '60, SUPPLIED AS A COMPLETE UNIT

For 1960, Chevrolet offers three stylish Step-Van models equipped and ready to go to work with tough, double-walled steel bodies on durable forward control chassis. Powered by an economical Thriftmaster Special 6 engine, they are the best yet for fast efficient door-to-door delivery service. Payload capacities go all the way up to 4,450 lbs., and G.V.W.'s reach a high of 10,000 lbs.!

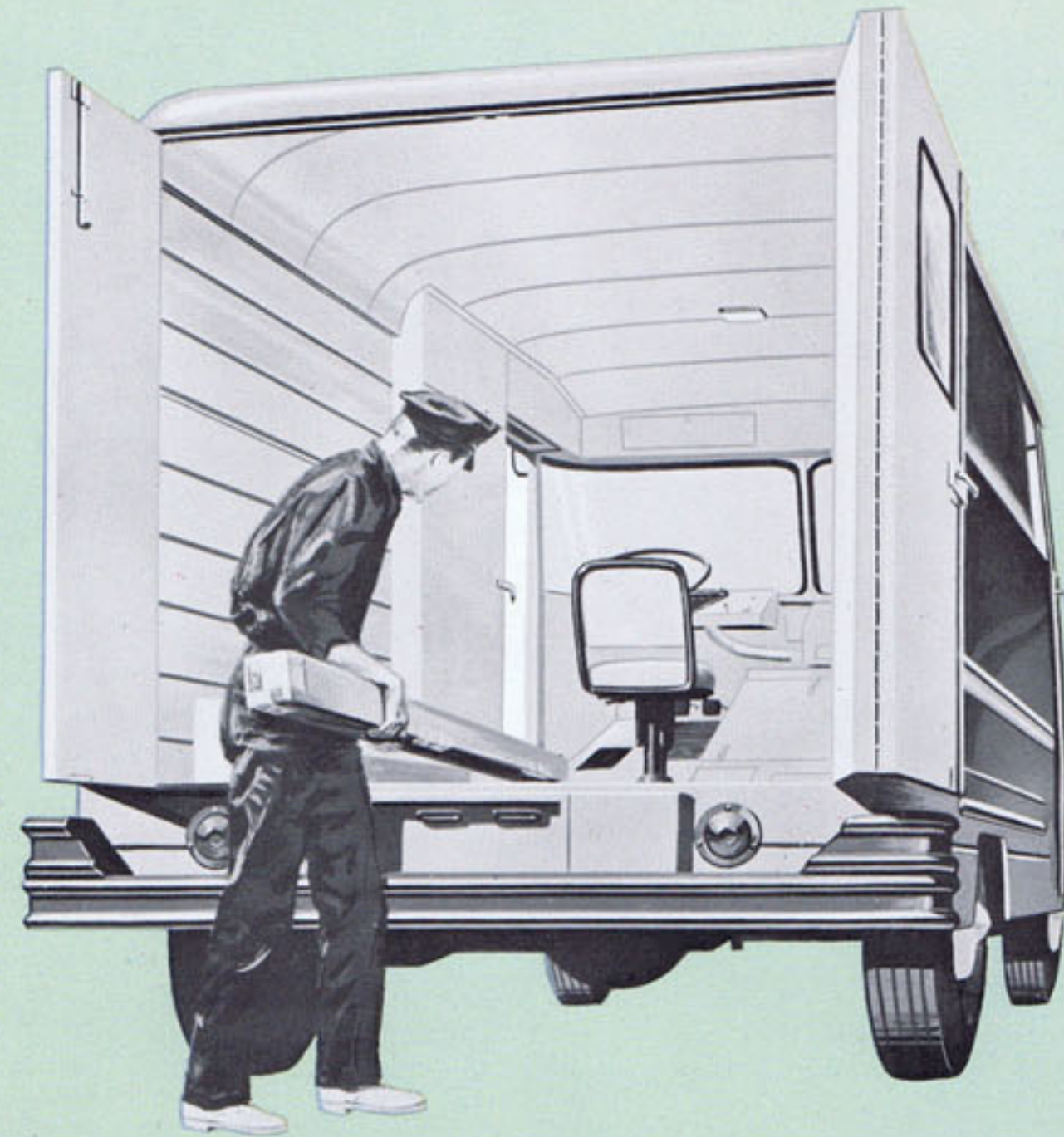
There are three distinct Step-Van body lengths to handle a wide variety of delivery chores. Model P2345 provides an 8-foot body on a 104" wheelbase. Model P2545 comes equipped with a 10-foot body on a 125" wheelbase. Model P2645 offers a 12-foot body on a 137" wheelbase.

These sizes are ideal for many types of businesses: dairies, dry cleaners air express, florists, groceries, bakeries, department stores and many others.



### Driver Compartment built for Extra Comfort, Convenience and Cargo Space!

Down to the last detail, this driver's compartment is designed with your delivery needs in mind! The full wrap around windshield is equipped with extra-long, heavy-duty wipers for convenient wide-angle visibility. The anti-skid floor mat and low step make entry easier and safer, in all kinds of weather. The insulated side panels, roof and doors deaden sound and protect cargo against heat and cold.



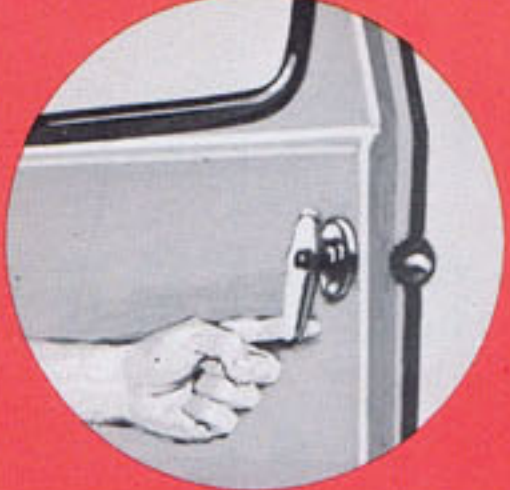
### BIG, GOOD LOOKING BODIES ON TOUGH-BUILT FORWARD CONTROL CHASSIS

You'll find that loading or unloading a Chevrolet Step Van is a breeze. This load compartment is completely lined with smooth steel panels, free from projections that could interfere with cargo packing . . . has rectangular wheel housings for maximum useable payload area . . . offers the protection of thorough insulation and water-tight construction.

Double rear doors are available with standard 38" opening, optional\* 60" opening, or optional\* 72" opening as illustrated at the left. And a husky U-channel bumper protects the body while serving as a convenient step to the load compartment. With scores of work-saving features such as these, the new Chevy Step-Vans are ready to step up to your most rigorous stop and start runs and save you time, work and money—every day!

*\*Optional at extra cost*





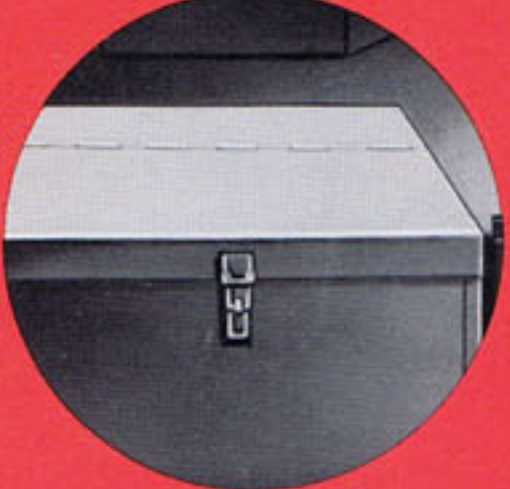
**SLIDING SIDE DOORS** roll easily on ball bearings and nylon guide bushings. Doors close flush with the exterior of the body.



**SLIDING WINDOW**, located on driver's side, opens easily for ventilating or signalling. When shut, it is leakproof.



**ADJUSTABLE SEAT** moves forward or back, up or down. Folds under the steering wheel for easy access to the cargo area.

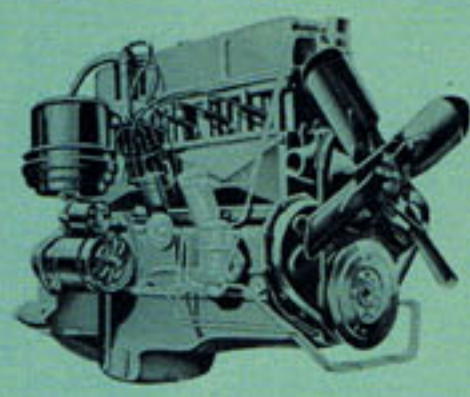
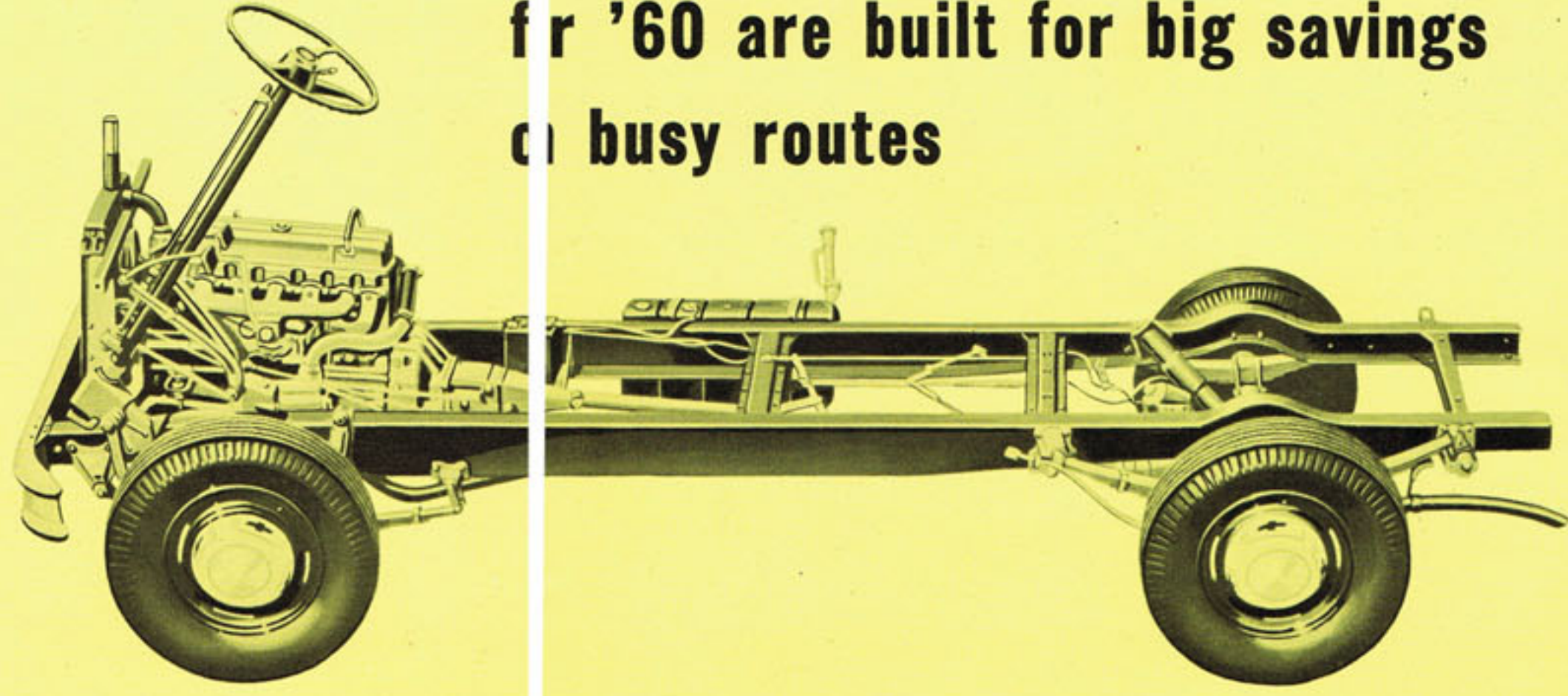


**PARCEL TRAY** on top of the engine housing, is convenient for small parcels or items for the next delivery.

Chevrolet forward control chassis are built to shoulder the heaviest door-to-door loads easily, economically and dependably with up to a 10,000 lb. G.V.W. rating. Wheelbases of 104", 125" and 137", accommodate 8-, 10- and 12-foot bodies. All models use the famous Thriftmaster Special 6, an engine famous in the business for its durability and economy.

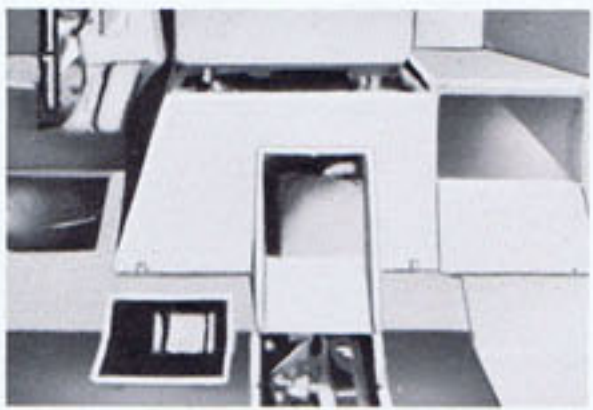
Other work-proved features include a heavy-duty clutch for extra life in multi-stop service; easy Ball Gear steering that cuts down driving effort; Torque-action brakes for easy, safer braking. These are but a few of the features engineered into Chevrolet Forward Control chassis to make them fit *your* driving needs *exactly!*

# Chevrolet's tough Forward Control Chassis for '60 are built for big savings on busy routes

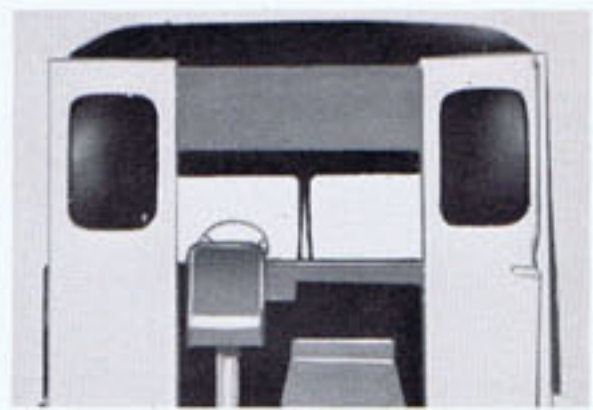


## Chevy's Famous Thriftmaster Special 6 Engine

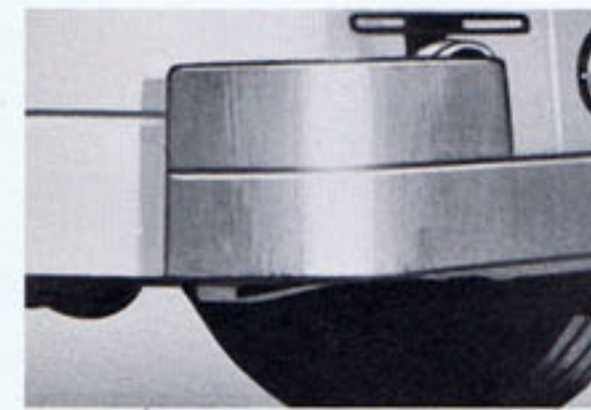
Chevrolet's famed Thriftmaster Special is purposely designed for Step-Van and Forward-Control models. It is loaded with ability to cut costs on the most demanding door-to-door delivery schedules. Developing 135 h.p. with a high efficiency 8.25 to 1 compression ratio and special economy-contoured camshaft, it ensures peak performance on *regular grade gas*. And there's always *plenty* of power in reserve for a fast inter-city haul.



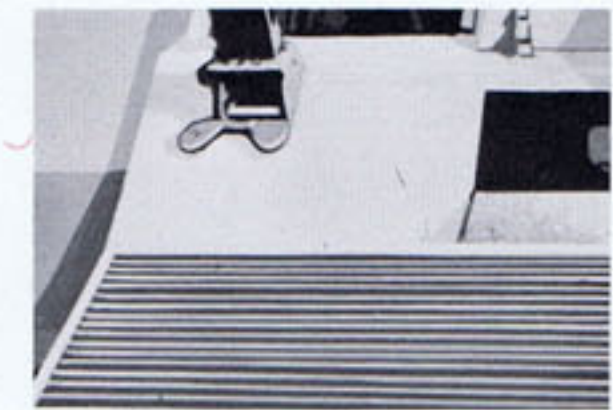
**TRUCK SERVICING** is fast with convenient access doors to the oil dip stick and the battery. Engine housings easy to remove.



**DOUBLE REAR DOORS** (38-inch opening) are standard. Wider doors\* (60-inch or 72-inch) are optional equipment.



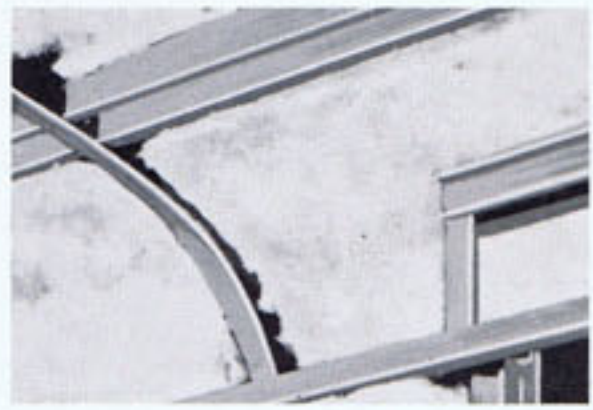
**WRAP-AROUND REAR BUMPER CORNERS** protect body against damage. Sturdy bumper also serves as a handy step.



**ANTI-SKID TREAD** on driver's compartment steel floor contributes to safer entry and exit in all kinds of weather.



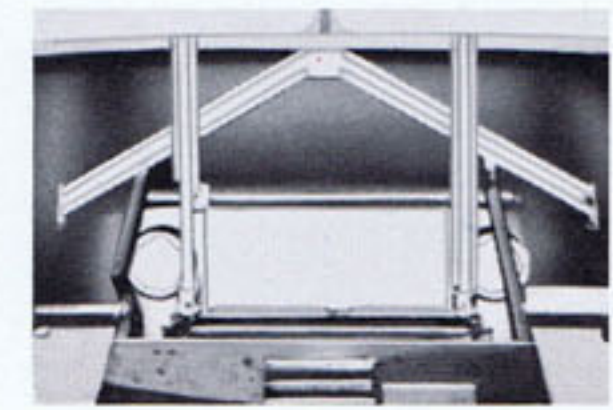
**RECTANGULAR WHEELHOUSES** permit efficient use of load space. They are *standard* in Chevrolet Step-Vans.



**THICK INSULATION** in sides, roof and doors, deadens sound, protects against heat or cold. One-inch fiberglass pad.



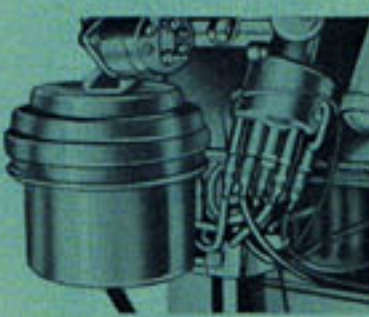
**HEAVY GAUGE STEEL CORRUGATED FLOOR** takes big loads easily. Smooth steel floor\* is optional equipment.



**"A" FRAME CONSTRUCTION** in the front, adds great rigidity; contributes to driver's safety and truck durability.



**ECONOMY-CONTOURED CAMSHAFT** cuts costs of delivery runs. Timing and lift of inlet and exhaust valves result in top fuel economy with high torque output in low and medium speed ranges. Saves gas in stop-and-go driving as well as when idling.



**OIL-BATH AIR CLEANER** assures that only clean air enters the engine. It efficiently removes abrasive dust that causes engine wear. Here is a valuable feature that other truckers pay extra for . . . yet it's *standard* in Chevy!

# CHEVROLET

# SPECIFICATIONS

SERIES	P20					
MODELS	P2342 Chassis	P2345 8-ft. Step Van	P2542 Chassis	P2545 10-ft. Step Van	P2642 Chassis	P2645 12-ft. Step Van
WHEELBASE	104"		125"		137"	
MAXIMUM GVW Up To	10,000 lbs.		10,000 lbs.		10,000 lbs.	

**AXLES:** Front, Extra Heavy Drop Forged "I" beam.  
Rear, Single speed full-floating hypoid

	Standard	Optional
Capacity—Front	4,000 lbs.	—
Rear	5,200 lbs.	7,200 lbs.
	5.14	5.14

**BRAKES:** Service—Hydraulic-Bendix Torque action

	Standard	Optional
Front Drums dia.	12"	12"
Lining width	2"	2"
Rear Drum dia.	12"	13"
Lining width	2"	2½"
Lining area (sq. ft.)	185	225
Drum Area (sq. ft.)	300	354

Parking—Mechanical on rear wheels; area 92 sq. ins.

**CLUTCH:** Single Disc—Diaphragm spring  
Dia. 11"; Area 124 sq. in.

Throw-out bearing—special ball, permanently lubricated.

**COOLING SYSTEM:** Radiator: Ribbed Cellular—426 sq. in. area.  
Capacity: 14 qts.

Fan: 4 staggered blades—19" dia. V belt driven.

Thermostat: Opens at 160°F. (1st type) at 170°F. (2nd type)

**DRIVE LINE:** Hotchkiss: Tubular Propeller Shaft.

Universal Joints: Needle bearing type.

**ELECTRICAL SYSTEM:** Battery Size: 12-volt, 54 plate, 53 amp. hr.

Generator: 30 Amp., with current and voltage regulator

Starter: 12-volt, Delco Remy with overrunning clutch.

Starter Switch: On ignition switch.

Ignition Distributor: Automatic spark advance. Moisture proof ignition system.

Headlights: Sealed beam.

Stop and Tail Light: Combined.

## ENGINES:

Valve-in-head Thriftmaster Special 6 cyl.

Bore & Stroke	3 <sup>9</sup> / <sub>16</sub> " x 3 <sup>15</sup> / <sub>16</sub> "
Displacement	235.5 cu. in.
Taxable H.P.	30.4
Gross B.H.P.	135 @ 4000 r.p.m.
Gross Torque	217 @ 2000 r.p.m.
Compression Ratio	8.25 to 1

Crankshaft and Connecting Rods: Drop forged steel.

Main & Conn. Rod Bearings: Replaceable Moraine.

Camshaft: 4 brgs, gear driven

Pistons: Alum. alloy with steel struts, two compression and one oil ring with steel separator.

Valves: Mechanical lifters.

Intake—Silichrome steel—30°

Exhaust—Nickel-chrome steel—45° angle.

Seats—Cast iron alloy (Cylinder head).

Lubrication: Full pressure.

Crankcase Cap—4 qts.

**FRAME:** Pressed Steel Channel

Side Rails	7¼" x 2¾" x 7/32"
Sec. Mod.	5.70

**FUEL SYSTEM:** Carburetor—Updraft

Air Cleaner—Oil bath, 1 pt. capacity

Fuel Pump—AC diaph. type, filter screen in fuel tank

Fuel Capacity—13 gals.—Model P2342 and P2345  
15 gals. Model P2542, P2545 and P2642, P2645

\* Imported

## INSTRUMENTS AND CONTROLS:

- Head light switch
- Head light beam control
- Speedometer
- Fuel and engine temperature gauges
- Throttle Control
- Choke Control
- Generator charging, oil pressure, and high beam indicator lights

**SPRINGS:** Semi-elliptical, single stage on rear.

	Standard		Optional		
	Front	Rear	Front	Rear	
				Main	Aux.
Length	44"	52"	44"	52"	35½"
Width	2"	2½"	2"	2½"	2½"
Leaves	8	8	10	8	5
Cap at Ground	2000 lbs.	2400 lbs.	2500 lbs.	3450 lbs.	

**STEERING:** Ball Gear. Ratio 27.8 to 1; Wheel Dia. 17"

**TIRES:** 4 Standard

	Tubeless	Cap:	Tube Type	Cap.
Standard	7 x 17.5-6 ply	1520	7.00 x 15-6 ply	1520
Optional	8 x 17.5-6 ply	1735	7.00 x 17-6 ply	1740
	8 x 17.5-8 ply	2060	7.00 x 17-8 ply	2060
	8 x 19.5-6 ply	2090	7.50 x 17-8 ply	2440
	8 x 19.5-8 ply	2440		
	8 x 19.5-6 ply Dual Rear	2090	7.00 x 18-8 ply Dual Rear	2140
	8 x 19.5-8 ply Dual Rear	2440		

**TOOLS:** Jack-mech, wheel wrench.

**TRANSMISSION:** Standard—3 speed synchromesh.

Ratios—1st—2.94; 2nd—1.68; 3rd—1.00; Rev.—2.94

Gearshift Location—On steering column.

4 speed Heavy Duty Synchro-Mesh—Optional.

Ratios—1st—7.06; 2nd—3.58; 3rd—1.71; 4th—1.00;  
Rev.—6.78

Gearshift Location—In Cab floor.

Power Take-Off Opening—Left side

3 speed H.D. Syn-Mesh—Optional

Ratios—1st—3.17; 2nd—1.75; 3rd—1.00; Rev.—3.76

Gearshift Location—On steering column.

Automatic 4 speed (Hydra-Matic)—Optional

Control Lever Location—On steering column.

Ratios—1st—4.71; 2nd—3.03; 3rd—1.56; 4th—1.00;  
Rev.—6.11.

**WHEELS:** Drop centre rim.

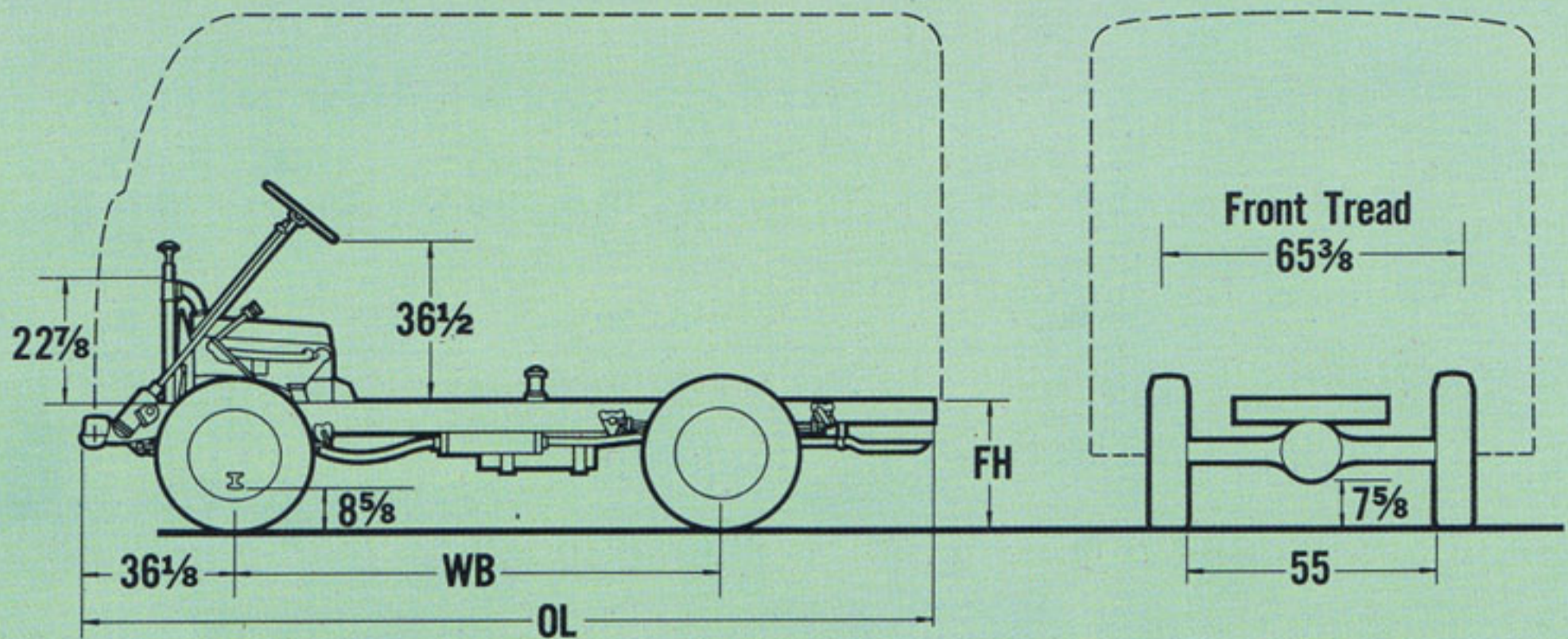
## MAJOR CHASSIS EQUIPMENT:

- Hand throttle & choke
- Head light switch
- Head light beam control
- Speedometer
- Dble acting frt and rear shocks
- Front stabilizer
- Fuel and engine temp. gauges
- High beam indicator.
- Generator charging and oil pressure indicator lights

## MAJOR OPTIONS:

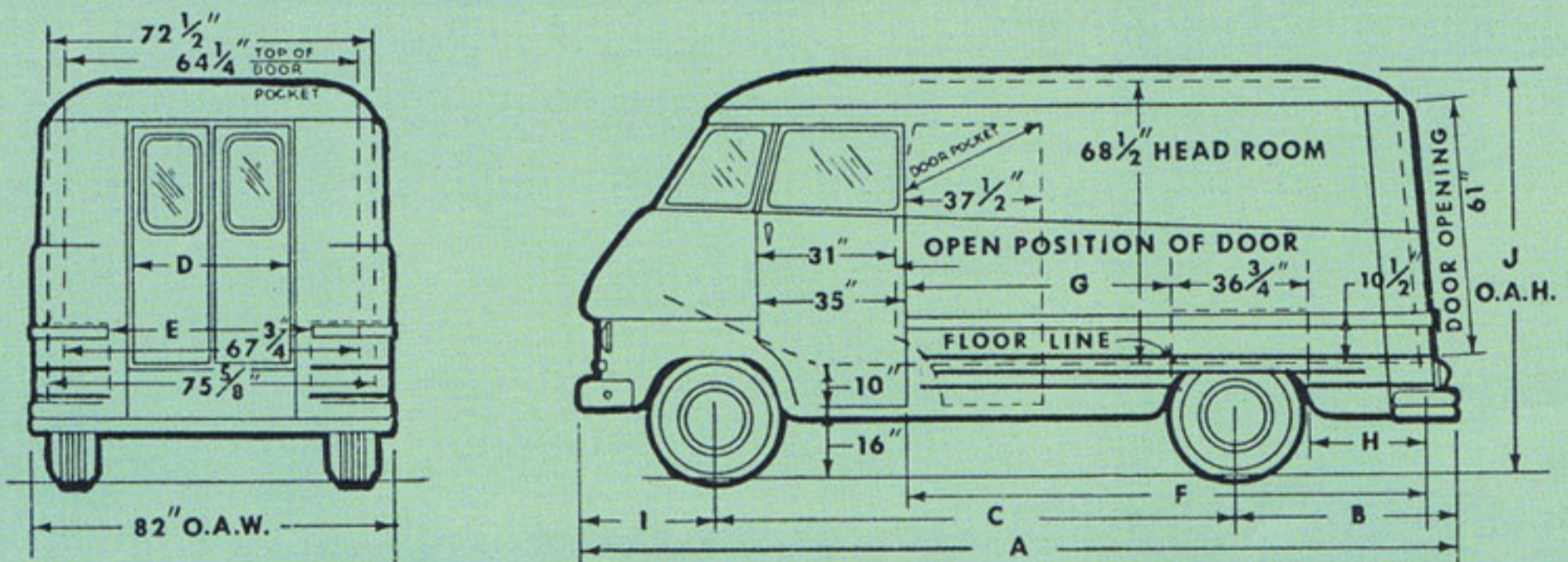
- H.D. 12 Volt Battery, 66 plate, 70 amp. hr.
- Heavy Duty Equipment—GVW 7500 lbs.
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- Hydrovac 7" dia.
- Tube Tires
- Heavy Duty Front and Rear Springs
- High output generators
- H.D. 3 speed & 4 speed Transmissions
- Automatic Transmission

# FORWARD CONTROL CHASSIS DATA



CHASSIS DIMENSION (INCHES) VEHICLE UNLOADED				ESTIMATED CURB WEIGHT (lb.) (with Standard Equipment)			
MODEL	WB	OL	FH	MODEL	Front	Rear	Total
P2342	104	184 1/4	28	P2342	1730	1010	2740
P2542	125	208 1/4	28	P2542	1810	1000	2810
P2642	137	232 1/4	28	P2642	1810	1030	2840

# STEP VAN DATA



	P2345 8' Body	P2545 10' Body	P2645 12' Body		P2345 8' Body	P2545 10' Body	P2645 12' Body
A—Overall Length	193 1/8	213 1/8	233 1/8	F—Overall Loadspace	99	119	139
B—Overhang	53 3/8	52 3/8	60 3/8	G—Front W/Hse	38 1/2	58 1/2	70 1/2
C—Wheelbase	104	125	137	H—Rear W/Hse	23 3/4	23 3/4	31 3/4
D—Rear Door Width—Standard	38	38	38	I—Axle to Bumper	36 1/8	36 1/8	36 1/8
Optional	60	60	60	J—Overall Height	98 3/8	98 3/8	98 3/8
Optional	72	72	72				
E—Width Between Wheel Hsgs—Single Wheel	48	48	48	Capacity	276	334	392
Dual Wheel	42	42	42	cu. ft.	cu. ft.	cu. ft.	

Curb Weights (lbs.) (with Standard Equipment)			
	P2345	P2545	P2645
Front	2520	2640	2680
Rear	2580	2630	2770
Total	5100	5270	5450