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## **Tops in auto industry will meet** 're-invent car' to conserve fuel

DETROIT - Transportation Secretary Brock Adams has called hundreds of the nation's top automotive experts to Boston this week to begin an "all-out search" for a revolutionary, fuel-conserving car for the 1990s

The two-day conference, described by transportation officials as the first of its kind, is intended to lay the technical groundwork for a

top level automotive summit meeting in Washington this spring. Adams called for the summit during a recent Detroit speech in which he accused the automakers of taking a "patchwork approach" to

improving fuel economy. He hinted tough federal mandates for fuel economy through 1985 may be just the beginning and challanged the industry to "re-invent

by the 1990s. the car The auto companies have been relying mainly on downsizing and weight reduction to meet federal mileage standards. Their work on power sources has been largely limited to refinements of traditional internal combustion engines.

Adams invited some 600 experts to the Boston meeting. They include automotive and oil industry engineers and technicians, independent researchers, consumer advocates, environmentalists, government officials and others.

He said objectives of the conference will be to come up with a pool of technical options for automakers to choose from in designing cars beyond 1985 with attention focused on "the need for a more fuelefficient and safe automobile

The conference will include panel discussions by experts on the state of research on future engines, fuels and power train systems and vehicle structures and materials.

## 'I came. ... I'm starving Protest farmers fed Bu

WASHINGTON - Some of the farmers who tied up Washington traffic last week in their quest for higher crop prices were invited to dinner in local homes Sunday by people interested in their problems. The people-to-people program

was started by a Washington radio station and both farmers and local citizens responded in modest num-

Jack Eden, garden editor of WTOP-AM, told Sunday morning listeners they could pick up dinner guests on a local street corner if they

were interested in the farmers' complaints.

farmers who are in Washington for the protest stood in line waiting for museums. invitations and many received them

Kyle Schartz, 17, of Great Bend, Kan., tried to keep warm as he waited for strangers to drop by and pick him up. "I came down to eat," he said.

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