SPORT-SHIRT BYRON — The loose-collared shirts men wear today are not as new as they might seem to be. They were much in evidence at the end of the 18th century, when they were introduced by the English poet, Lord Byron. Perhaps he got the idea on a hot summer's day as he sat at his desk bound in a tight collar and coat, but at any rate Byron took to wearing shirts with roll collars hanging loosely and comfortably at his throat. Other men of his time, following his style, gave the loose collar Byron's name. Even the roll-collared shirt worn with a tie nowadays is a descendant of the shirt with the Byron collar.

"The world's most illegible writing is probably a doctor's prescription written with a postoffice pen." — Jim Dilley

FAMOUS LAST WORDS — There's plenty more in the kitchen... Who dropped this card on the floor? ... This horse has won his last three races... My husband is too old to be interested in other women... How're those tomatoes you planted last spring? ... This looks like an easy putt... Your money will be cheerfully refunded... Come on, that doesn't look like poison ivy... Now let's try the Tunnel of Love... We will not be undersold... Speed up, it's a long light... And now a few words from Senator Digby.

"The years a woman subtracts from her age are not lost. They are added to the age of other women." — Diane DePoitiers

AUTOMOTIVE NEWS CAPSULES — There are no filling stations in Russia, where most of the gasoline and oil is used by military vehicles... It is estimated that 66,000,000 Americans will drive 22,000,000 cars an average of 1,200 miles in 11 days while vacationing this year... By next January, 10 states will require all new cars to be equipped with electric turn signals... A survey indicates that about 70 per cent of American drivers today are male, and that almost eight out of ten people between the ages of 20 and 29 have drivers' licenses.

"The marvel of television is how some people get on it." — J. K. Hutchings

FAMOUS FIRSTS QUIZ — Maybe it's because this August weather just naturally makes people seek easier ways of doing work, but four useful household appliances were patented in the month of August in other years. See if you can guess the year in which each of the following appliances was patented... They are 1) the refrigerator, 2) the electric washing machine, 3) the treadle sewing machine, 4) the water sprinkler head... Here are the years in which these labor-savers arrived: a) 1899, b) 1910, c) 1851, d) 1874. The answers are on page four.

"A good scare is worth more to a man than good advice." — Ed Howe

THEY'RE TOUCHY ABOUT RETOUCHING — A photograph retoucher who has worked in Washington, D.C., for 35 years recently reported that most famous men object to being prettified by having their photos retouched. President Franklin D. Roosevelt refused to allow the retoucher's brush to remove a mole on his left cheek. President Coolidge insisted that his photograph show his freckles. Two celebrities noted for their eyebrows, Vice-President John Garner and miners' leader John L. Lewis, wanted no artwork on their eyebrows. Charles Evans Hughes let the artist trim his beard slightly, and President Taft agreed to brushwork which made his face look not quite so round.

"In the first place, I have a high forehead. In the second place, Ike likes me with bangs. Wouldn't I be a fool to change?" — Mamie Eisenhower

THOUGHT-STARTERS — The high cost of living hasn't affected its popularity. The man who laughs last probably intended to tell the same story himself a little later. People who mistake comfort for civilization could easily mistake regimentation for democracy. It costs more to make history than the stuff is worth. When people start waiting to get out of this country instead of waiting to get in, we can start worrying about our system. It costs more now to amuse a child than it formerly cost to educate his father. When a woman says she'll be ready in a minute, you can be sure of one thing: she speaks English.

"An old-timer can remember when Monroe meant James and not Marilyn." — Bernice B. McCullar

MEALS TO GO GO BIG — Television and the shortage of baby-sitters have changed the dining-out habits of many Americans, but resourceful restaurant owners are not suffering from loss of business. These shrewd businessmen are taking advantage of the booming desire to eat at home, but not to cook at home, by preparing meals to go. Restaurant people estimate that there are 10,000 dining places where you can buy "take-out" ready-cooked meals ranging from the familiar items of pizza and chop suey to such surprising dishes as spinach souffle and Yorkshire pudding. A large soup company is preparing to market thirteen different pre-cooked meals which need only to be warmed to be ready to eat.

"The reason illness keeps some people off work for such a long time is that compensation sets in." — Jack Herbert

FASCINATING FACTS — More than half the families in the U.S. own or are buying their own homes. The divorce rate in this country is only 10 per 1,000 couples today, compared to 18.4 per 1,000 in 1946. The world's total known supply of radium is estimated to weigh only two pounds. Surveys indicate that three to four times as many people are fired from jobs for inability to get along with other people as the number fired for inability to do their jobs. Many French shops post signs over their goods displaying not only the retail price but also the wholesale price the shops had to pay for each item.

"The man whose hopes and fears are all centered upon himself can hardly view death with equanimity, since it extinguishes his whole emotional universe." — Bertrand Russell
SHOULD I BUY IT? -- Here's a yardstick to test the true worth of souvenirs you plan to buy on your motor trip. They should be: (1) Useful. (2) Typical of the place where bought. (3) Significant to collector. Examples: Indian blankets from Arizona; bean pots from Boston.

WHERE DID YOU GO? -- Give your vacation movie a "pro" introduction by showing a hand with a crayon slowly tracing your route on a road map. To add personality, "dolly up" to the map from far enough away to show the person who will draw the line -- and appear in the film later -- showing next the map and then, nearer still, the moving hand. (It's easier to "follow" the hand by moving the map -- pinned to a drawing board -- while the hand stays in front of lens.) During the film, shots of the map will show your audience where they are.

Static: A bad case of a noise in a hurry.

IN THE BAG -- Those pliofilm plastic bags widely used for packaging rolls soap, and other commodities, provide "hurry-hurry" travelers with disposable moisture-proof containers for damp toothbrushes, shaving articles, etc.

Soil: Something from which farmers and laundries make a living.

HOT WEATHER CAR CARE FOR DOGS -- "We cannot discourage too strongly the habit of some owners who leave their dogs imprisoned in a parked car with little or no ventilation," says the S.P.C.A. "If owners MUST leave their pets in automobiles, we suggest that the car be parked in a shady spot and that all windows be opened two inches."

Best People: The ones your wife knew before she married you.

HAVE YOU AN EDUCATED TOE? -- "Feather-foot" driving will give you more gasoline mileage, tire life, safety on all road conditions, plus the topnotch driver's thrill of truly mastering your car. Here's how to practice the necessary gentle starting, shifting, and stopping: On a deserted level roadway make several starts and stops with a glass brim-full of water on the floor. When you can do ten in a row without slopping a drip, you'll KNOW you're good!

Salt: What makes potatoes taste bad when you don't use it.

TIRE TIP-OFFS -- See sketch. Tread worn around center -- over-inflation. Both edges worn all around -- under-inflation. Feathering on inside edges of right front tire -- too much toe-in. Feathering on outside edges of left front tread -- toe-out. Wear on one side of tread -- excessive camber. Cup-like dents -- wrong caster (also out-of-balance wheels, worn bearing, loose king pins, faulty brakes, fatigued springs, etc.) Save further damage by rotating tires. Eliminate cause by having your Hudson dealer check front-end alignment regularly.
According to Webster the origin of the language of hobo signs is unknown. But there is no mystery at least...about the community's need to keep each other informed or to receive along their devious routes.

Theirs is a language of signs unique and understandable. The shapes - circles, rectangles, triangles and squares - or in combination. Frequently a barn, slick tree stump, or similar object serves as a “tip-off” from one hobo to another who chance to follow a trail. It may denote the type of neighborhood for a “handout”...kind of the old scatter method of approaching the nearest dweller...keep the impression on same, etc.

Typical are the hobo signs pictured...
Know what these signs mean?

Sure you do... because they are all signs of the engineering advancements from which stem the many motoring benefits you enjoy as a Hudson owner!

Sign of Hudson's years-ahead Step Down Design, providing the lowest center of gravity and greatest roadability of any American car.

Sign of the ultimate in motor car structural safety, strength and quietness... the rugged, all-welded, all-steel Monobilt Body-and-Frame!

Sign of the easiest handling, most responsive steering system known... True Center-Point Steering. It acts directly and equally on both front wheels... eliminating "wheel fight," wander and road shock.

Sign of Twin H-Power... Hudson's amazing new engine development to give you performance-plus throughout entire driving range.

Sign of perfect balance and weight distribution for greatest stability and comfort under all road conditions.

Sign of the toughest, most wear-resistant engine block in the industry! It's the Hudson super hard chrome alloy cylinder block that outlasts ordinary cast iron blocks by thousands of miles.

*TRADE MARK PATENTS PENDING
NEW SEMESTER AT HUDSON SERVICE SCHOOL — Hudson Motor Car Company’s Service School has opened its 1953 series of training classes for dealer service managers, salesmen and mechanics with an intensive program on the recently introduced Hudson Jet. Now in its fourth year, the Hudson Service School has graduated 1,000 students and has achieved a rating as the finest school of its kind in the country . . . Students receive 80 hours of expert instruction on automatic transmissions, carburetion, motor tuneup, electrical systems, clutch, rear axles, overdrive, front end alignment, lubrication and body service. During the two-week course, students are required to tear down and build up every unit of a Hudson car, under the guidance of expert instructors . . . Classes are limited to 24 students to permit each man to derive maximum benefit from the training.

"I saw a sad movie at the drive-in the other night. There wasn't a dry windshield in the place." — Nick Geracines

PARKING-LOT WEDGES — A patent has been granted to a wedge-shaped device designed to replace the parking lot attendant and cashier. This device consists of a wedge to be placed at the entrance to the lot, with its point facing outward. Incoming cars can depress the wedge to ground level by driving up the front angle. Going out, the front wheels of the car strike the perpendicular back edge of the wedge, which can be depressed only when a coin is dropped in a nearby slot.

"I respect faith, but doubt is what gets you an education." — Wilson Mizner

LET THE FOLKS IN BACK HEAR, TOO — With a Hudson rear seat radio speaker, you can provide amusement for your back-seat passengers while you carry on a front seat conversation . . . Another advantage of the rear seat speaker is that you can, without personal annoyance, amuse the children with their favorite radio programs and relieve their youthful fidgets . . . With a rear seat speaker you can have your choice of three-way reception: from the rear speaker only, front speaker only, or both speakers at the same time.

"The thoughtless are rarely wordless." — Howard W. Newton

WHY THEY CALL IT A LIMOUSINE — We all know that a limousine is an automobile in which the chauffeur sits in a compartment separated from his passengers, usually by a glass partition . . . The limousine takes its name from an old French province called Limousin. The people of this province wore hoods, and when carriages came to be made with a roof over the passengers, the people came to call such carriages limousines, because this roof resembled a hood . . . Today the term hood applies to another part of the car, but still aristocratic cars are called limousines even though the chauffeur, as well as the passengers, is now protected by a roof.

"Courage is grace under pressure." — Ernest Hemingway

DOGS BY INSTALLMENTS — A New York kennel owner has worked out a plan whereby people who are long on desire for a pedigreed dog, but short on cash, can buy a pet on the installment plan . . . He conceived the scheme when he found 47 boxer pups on his hands after the bottom fell out of the dog market. Within two weeks after he advertised the pups for sale for $10 down and $5 a week, he was sold out . . . He has since sold more than 100 dogs on his new plan, which also offers free obedience training for the pups.
ONE-SECOND SERMONS -- A real friend is a friend who understands us and still is . . . Be kind to your enemies; after all, you made them . . . Most people hope for the best and a few even work for it . . . Too many people go through life without living . . . Trouble is usually made by people who don't produce anything else . . . Why regret growing old, when so many people don't have that privilege? . . . If you find it possible to give your child only one gift, give him enthusiasm . . . If everyone sweeps in front of his own door, the street will be clean . . . You can repay a loan of money, but never a gift of kindness.

"I know of a dog that can play a piano but his Bach is worse than his bite."—Elsa Siegel

FAST THOUGHTS ABOUT FOOD FREEZERS -- Here are a few tricks for increasing the good you get from your food freezer . . . Twist a pipe cleaner around the necks of plastic freezer bags; it makes a tight seal and won't damage the bag. Grind cranberries for relish while they're still frozen, to keep them from squirming juice the way they do when they're thawed out . . . Put a "Use Before —" date on your freezer labels, to remind you to use food before it spoils . . . Wrap freezer packages with different colors of cord, red for beef, blue for pork, etc., for easy identification when selecting food from your freezer.

"One thing about the Congressional Record: If you don't find the typographical errors in your own speeches, no one else will."—Bill Vaughan

WHERE DOES YOUR TIME GO? — A University of Wisconsin psychology class set out to pin down the answer to a question that puzzles many of us—where all our time goes—and came up with some surprising conclusions . . . The students decided that in the average 70 years of life, a person spends 20 years working and 20 years sleeping, seven years walking and playing outdoor games, and seven years enjoying the movies, TV and other passive amusements . . . The class says we spend five years shaving and dressing, three years waiting for people, two and a half years eating and sitting at the table, and the same time smoking and chewing gum . . . Of the remaining three years, two are spent playing cards and similar games, and one year is devoted to talking on the telephone.

"The most gripping scenes in drive-ins are not flashed on the screen."—A. C. Jolly


"You don't have to make a lot of money to amount to something in this world. You can inherit it."—Franklin P. Jones

NEWS OF NEW THINGS — An eastern manufacturer offers a rod guide said to hold a fisherman's rod and reel in the proper position on the bank of a stream or the side of a boat, unattended by the angler . . . A spun-glass eraser reportedly makes cleaner typewriter erasures and also is useful for removing such other marks as cigarette burns, ink spots, and paint spots, from a variety of articles . . . A plastic knob guard for the kitchen gas range helps prevent children or adults from accidentally turning on gas burners . . . A midwestern company offers complete children's party kits in six- or twelve-person sizes . . . For names of suppliers of these products, write Hudson Newsletter, 451 Howard Street, Detroit 31, Michigan.

"I have seen flowers come in storm places, and kindness done by men with ugly faces, and the gold cup won by the worst horse at the races, so I trust, too."—John Masefield
REPORT ON SERVICE MAN'S ROYAL WELCOME HOME, FROM THE WOONSOCKET (R. I.) TELEGRAPH: "LEOMINSTER PLANS GAX LELCOME FOR CORPORAL." A press association reported that Arthur Godfrey's nurse was "standing by his bed in a $65-a-day suit." Modernization ad in a western newspaper: "FOR SALE: ELECTRIC RANGE BY A YOUNG LADY WITH FOUR NEW BURNERS." Editor-leave-town note from the Metamora (Pa.) Tribune-Republican: "ANDERSON RECENTLY COMPLETED AN INSTRUCTION COURSE IN THE USE OF ELECTRIC TOOLS. HE WILL HAVE CHARGE OF ALL INSTRUCTION FOR FOOLS IN THIS AREA." Blind-justice headline in a New York newspaper: "JURY HUNG IN BANK CASE."

"One good thing about a clear, warm day is that you can always get a taxicab." —J. C. Salak

MOTORING PRESIDENTS — Of the ten presidents of the U. S. since the automobile came into general use, President Eisenhower is only the fifth who can do his own driving, although he is not likely to drive often while in the White House. Teddy Roosevelt, a famed horseman, took the first Presidential auto ride on August 22, 1902 at Hartford, Conn. William Howard Taft, T. R.'s successor, disposed of all the White House horses and carriages, but not till Harding was inaugurated in 1921 did the incoming and outgoing presidents use an automobile in the inaugural parade. Harding was the first president who could drive. At present there are about 36 cars in the White House fleet.

"Why should we have two mail deliveries a day, when one brings more bills than a man can pay?" —Clyde Moore

FOR THE LADY OF THE HOUSE — To make firm whipping cream, add two or three marshmallows to the cream while it is being whipped. To keep a vegetable salad from becoming soggy while sitting a few hours, place a saucer upside down in the bowl before filling it with salad. The juices will run under the saucer and the salad will remain crisp. To get extra juice from a lemon, let it steep in warm water a few minutes before squeezing.

"An autobiography is the story of how a man thinks he lived." —Maurice Samuel

CATNIPS — She says she doesn't like to repeat gossip but what else can you do with it? She'll dye before she lets that blond steal her boy friend. He's a self-made man who quit work too soon. She talks to herself but she doesn't know it. She thinks her husband is listening. He's a 3-D talker, dense, dense, and dense. When she uses an eyebrow pencil, she never knows where to draw the line. She took an awful chance just to get a trip to Niagara Falls. Her trouble is perpetual emotion.

"No wonder Rip Van Winkle was able to sleep 20 years; his neighbors didn't have a radio." —Claude Eames

FOREIGN MONEY'S NO BARGAIN NOW — It used to be that Americans going abroad profited by exchanging U. S. money for foreign money in New York, rather than accepting the official exchange rate when entering the foreign country. That advantage is less this year, as foreign currencies become stronger. English pounds now sell for $2.73 in New York, compared to $2.80 in England. Italian lira sell for $1.61 per 1,000 here, but only $1.60 per 1,000 in Italy. Francs still are a bargain, selling for $2.43 per 1,000 here, compared to $2.90 per 1,000 in Paris.

"The taxpayer no longer fears that Congress will let him down, he just hopes it will let him up." —David O. Flynn

QUIZ ANSWERS — If you correctly matched the labor-saving appliances on page one with the years they were patented, your answers are: 1a, 2b, 3c, 4d.

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