Roads to Romance
with Jack and Ethyl

Being the original letters of a young wife on her honeymoon over the Pacific Coast to the girl-friend back home.

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Dear Marion and Jim:

Back when I was a schoolgirl—eons ago, of course, and long before I even thought of becoming a sedate married woman—they taught us how progress and civilization and prosperity depend so much on freedom and ease of transportation between centers of population. I couldn't help but think of it when we got into a de luxe airplane in Los Angeles and in what seemed like a few short hours arrived here in Portland. They'll have it soon so that we girls will be wearing new styles yesterday which were created in Paris tomorrow! It's positively bewildering.

But here we are up in the northwest, in Portland, to be exact, and we "dropped in" from the air right into the midst of the annual Rose Festival. Never saw so many beautiful roses in my life; they say that there are 200 miles of hedges lining the streets of Portland, and right now they are in full bloom. I don't wonder they call Portland the "Rose city."

Marion, I am sending you a folder or two on the Columbia River highway and the Mount Hood Loop trip that they have up here. When you start out in the morning in your car and drive through this soft-green-shaded country on a paved highway that follows up and down along the gorge of the great Columbia and you drive out on a point and look for 25 miles in either direction over a panorama that just takes your breath away, and then you drive past silvery waterfalls and through green forests and way around the base of a mountain that seems to be hanging right above you—well, when you have completed such a day as that, you get back to Portland and wish that you were a poet or a famous writer or a composer so that you could get on paper some small idea of what you have seen.

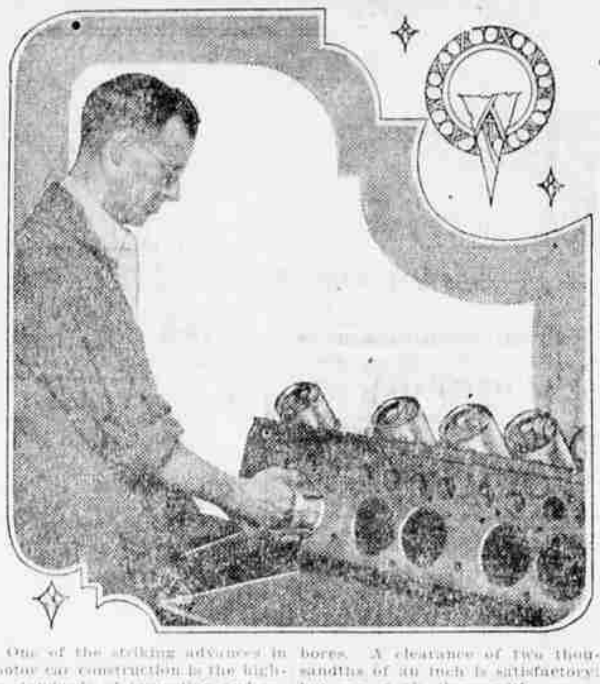
But you can't, and I can't—hence the folders. They give you the picture completely. It's a drive that makes me think automobiles were made for; that's what I think of it.

There are some wonderful days ahead of us up here. They sent our roadster up by boat and we're starting out tomorrow to see all of it. I think the Associated Oil company will direct us all around Oregon and Washington; I'll write you all about it.

Love, ETHYL.

P. S. It was darling of you to write that you are enjoying my letters. Jack calls me Mrs. Boswell, not because I am writing a biography of anybody, but because, he says, I am writing a lot of stuff that nobody asked me to write. I guess "we writers" never get any credit till we die, anyway.

Hand-Fitted Pistons Is Hudson Feature



One of the striking advances in motor car construction is the higher standards of inspection and assembly.

An example is the new practice of the Hudson Motor Car company in hand-fitting all pistons individually into cylinders, even after a number of previous steps apparently have assured a perfect standard of workmanship. The new practice on Hudson super sixes is described as follows:

First, the cylinder bores are tested for accuracy and for size with Johansson gauges. Then pistons are selected for the individual cylinders—likewise measured by the Johanssons. These tests generally are considered to assure satisfactory results, since Johansson gauges are science's most accurate instruments.

But Hudson had now added an operation of hand-fitting the measured and inspected pistons into the measured and inspected cylinder bores. A clearance of two thousandths of an inch is satisfactory; but one of 2½ thousandths causes a rejection and the selection of a new piston.

This closeness of fit, it is declared, is possible because the Hudson pistons are built with a double strut of invar non-expanding steel. It is said that these pistons can be fitted safely to even a closer fit than the old-time cast iron ones, and that they have the additional advantage of lightness to assure rapid acceleration and smoothness.

All pistons in a set must match in weight, as well as fit perfectly into the individual cylinder bores.

Hudson engineers say that these standards have improved still further the performance and durability of the motors, and are an insurance against piston slap or rapid cylinder bore wear.

Hand-fitting hitherto has been an operation to be found only in the highest priced cars.

GRAHAM-PAIGE OFFERS COUPES

Coupe bodies on five different chassis models are now being produced by Graham-Paige, at a price range from $860 for the 110-inch wheelbase six to $2485 for the 137-inch eight. With these additions, the Graham-Paige line comprises sedans and coupes on all chasses, and town sedans, seven-passenger sedans and cabriolets on the largest six and the eight.

The coupes, which are all of the Graham-Paige standard in appearance and equipment, offer a wide choice in seating arrangement. The 110-inch six has a single wide seat for two passengers. The 114-inch and the 119-inch six-cylinder models seat four passengers. The 129-inch six and the 135-inch eight have a single wide seat inside and a rumble seat in the rear deck for two aditional passengers.

The 619 model two-passenger coupe now on display at the Crater Lake Automotive company, Medford Graham-Paige dealers, is finished in blue and black, with blue wood wheels. The upholstery is genuine blue pig-skin for the seat back and cushion, with imitation leather to match on the doors and sides of the body. The cover of the rear deck is hinged, concealing a commodious compartment adapted for carrying baggage and packages. Wood wheels are standard equipment, wire or disc wheels being available at extra cost. The 619 may be had also with six wire or steel wheels, carrying the two extra wheels in fender wells at the sides.

The 629 and 835 coupes are finished in turquoise blue, with black mouldings and ivory striping. The equipment includes six steel disc wheels, the two spare wheels being mounted at the sides in fender wells. A folding trunk rack is standard equipment. The upholstery is whipcord in the driving compartment and heavy waterproof leatherette on the rumble seat.

The two four-passenger coupes on the 614 and 619 chassis are finished respectively in sandrunner gray and blue, with mouldings of black. Wood wheels are standard equipment. On both models, wire or steel wheels are obtainable at extra cost. An additional option makes these models available with six demountable wheels, two spare wheels at the sides in fender wells. With this arrangement, a trunk rack is provided.

Classified advertising gets results.

SALEM, Ore., July 21—(AP)—A petition signed by over 100 residents between Myrtle Point and Powers, protesting against operation of busses between these points by the Southern Pacific Motor Transport company, has been received by the public service commission.

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NEW SMARTNESS IN DURANT LINE

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"For years these characteristics were obtainable only in higher-priced cars. Those who desired a sporty low-priced car were forced to be content with adding accessories to standard models. The result all too often was a gaudy car, utterly lacking in smartness," states Nick Rindt of Sabin & Rindt, local Durant dealers.

"To meet the demand for a truly up-to-the-minute sport car selling for a low price, Hayes-Hunt, Durant body builders, have designed three smart sport roadsters, selling in two price classes. These roadsters are the Durant Star four sport roadster, strikingly finished in cream and black; the Durant Star four special sport roadster and the Durant '65' sport roadster.

"The Durant Star four cream and black sport roadster has been on the market for some time and has proved immensely popular with college students, members of the younger set and folks who desired a neat sport car of proved ability. Durant factory officials believe the de luxe sport roadsters of both the Durant Star four and the Durant '65' will prove even more popular. Both models have recently been placed on display by Durant dealers throughout the Pacific coast territory.

"The Durant '65' sport roadster is smartly finished in black and ivory and is equipped with six ivory-colored wire wheels. The extra wheels are mounted in front fender wells. Among the many extras on this model are a new type musical horn, special extra wheel locks, windshield wings, a collapsible luggage carrier in the rear, six tires, bumpers and shock absorbers.

"The Durant Star four special sport roadster is undoubtedly the most completely equipped car in its class," asserts Mr. Rindt. "It is fitted with six wire wheels mounted in fender wells, a collapsible luggage carrier in the rear, special tire locks, nickel hand grips on the top, special moldings on the rear deck, a new type musical horn and other minor refinements. Bumpers and spare tires are extra.

"The body of this trim roadster is finished with gray underbody, cavalier blue overbody and Rimini blue moulding. The six wire wheels are painted vermillion.

"This special sport roadster is mounted on the 107-inch wheelbase of the Durant Star four, and its long, flexible semi-elliptic springs make it an exceptionally easy riding car.

"The smartness of the three sport roadsters of the Durant line is further accentuated by the power, hill-climbing ability, flexibility and steadiness of the Red Seal Continental high-compression motors with which all Durant cars are powered.

More Iron for Japan

TOKYO—(AP) Japan is making efforts to increase domestic pig iron production. Contemplated projects include two 500-ton blast furnaces in the government steel works at Yawata and one furnace in the Anshan works of the South Manchurian railway. Additional smaller furnaces would increase total annual production to 2,500,000 tons, or about enough to meet present requirements.

Hardly News Any More

NEW YORK, July 21—(AP)—Six men held up the cashier and bookkeeper of the Bosch Magneto company in Queens today and escaped with a $4600 payroll.

RADIO CONCERTS OFFERED BY UNION

Hollywood bowl, Southern California's unique music amphitheater, which annually attracts thousands of music lovers from all over the world, is where the world-famous concerts are being broadcast with the compliments of the Union Oil company over the Pacific Coast net work, which embraces the following stations: KFI, Los Angeles; KPO, San Francisco; KGO, Oakland; KGW, Portland; KFOA and KOMO, Seattle, and KHQ, Spokane. These programs will be presented on Saturdays for the next six weeks.

Each concert last from 1½ hours to 2¼ hours and brings to the radio audience on the coast the very best talent from the music marts of the world.

Albert Coats, internationally known conductor, will direct the bowl orchestra of 100 pieces during the first two weeks of the season, with Nina Hager, whose vibrant personality and fine musicianship have won her many friends both in Europe and America as the soloist. Among other famous artists who will appear during the season will be Madame Schumann-Heink and Percy Granger, pianist and conductor.

In placing the broadcast at the disposal of the Pacific coast radio audience, the Union Oil company will bring into the homes musical entertainment of outstanding merit.

Oregon auto license fees for 1928 are estimated at $6,900,000.

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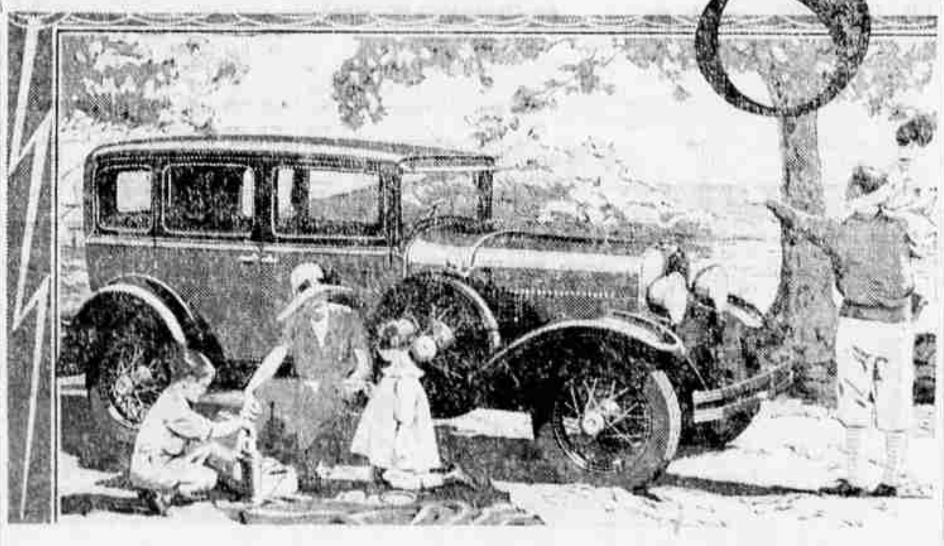

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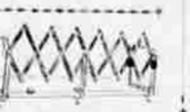
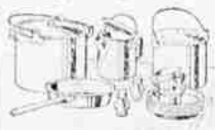
Vacuum Bottles . . . all guaranteed.
Pint sizes .... 98c to $2.35
Quart bottles .... $1.75 to $6.80
Gallon jugs . . . wide mouth $1.95 to $3.45



Luggage Carriers

Just what you need for carrying luggage on running board. Easily clamped on or removed .... $1.28 to $2.75

Folding Canvas Pails $1.25
"Burch" Canvas Basins $1.00



This Aluminum Cooking Set

. . . will solve all pot and pan problems. Includes 2 kettles with lids, 1 skillet, coffee pot, 4 plates, 4 cups, salt and pepper shakers and cold handle. All nest snugly in large kettle. Price $5.95

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Gasoline Lanterns

. . . are wonderful camp conveniences. Easy to operate, safe, and flood whole camp with clear, white light. With pump attached $8.50

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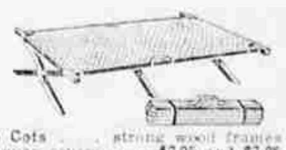

Folding Camp Cots . . . strong wood frames with heavy canvas covers .... $2.95 and $3.85
Metal Folding Camp Beds . . . hold two in comfort $7.95, $10.85
Cot Pads $1.95
Double Bed Size Mattresses $6.65
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Camp Stools . . . with or without backs and with backs .70c to $1.95
Camp Axes . . . $1.55 and $1.85
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This 7x7 Auto Tent is a favorite with folks who travel light . . . Made of khaki waterproof Weathercloth, with 3-foot wall, roomy door, and front flap that can be used as an awning if tent is not attached to car. Just the thing for touring, beach and picnic parties. Not to be confused with cheap tents of poor material. Our regular low price .... $10.85 Specially reduced until Saturday, July 28 **$8.88**

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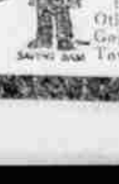

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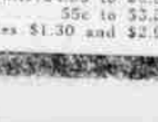

Emergency Canteen Units for spare Gas, Oil and Water . . . as illustrated $3.85
Other Emergency Units .$4.95 to $6.95
Goggles .... 55c to $3.50
Tow Ropes and Cables $1.30 and $2.95