



HUDSON MAXIM INVENTOR-AUTHOR-SCIENTIST, KEEPS HIS YOUTH AT 71 BY PUNCHING THE BAG, BOXING AND HIKING. MAXIM AND HIS WIFE ARE VERY DEVOTED—A ROMANCE THAT HAS NOT COOLED WITH YEARS.

HUDSON MAXIM KEEPS YOUNG BY DEFYING LAWS OF REGULARITY

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LAKE HOPATCONG, Landing, N. J., Feb. 29.—Hudson Maxim, inventor-author-scientist, healthy and active at 71, lives in absolute defiance of the laws of regularity.

"Choice of parents," is the explanation this unusual character gives for his state of preservation.

"I sleep when I feel like it, sometimes in bed, oftentimes in a chair; I eat anytime and I eat everything; I bathe when I feel like it, maybe 12 times a day, sometimes only once a week and I use either steaming hot or cold water, as the spirit moves me," he chuckled.

His cheeks are pink, his eyes are sharp and he boastfully admits he "can hear a mosquito breathe a mile away."

Love, romance and work undour-

edly have done much to preserve the spirit of youth in Hudson Maxim.

"He is a real cave-man," smiled his wife, 49 and English, as they playfully cooed on a divan before a large fireplace.

"Yes, honey, and you are the most wonderful sweetheart a man ever had," he countered with a mischievous twinkle.

They have been wed 28 years.

Maxim is as explosive and powderless as the famous gun powder he perfected. When he speaks there is a scampering to attention.

Working in his laboratory, writing in his study, hiking through the hills or speeding his automobile along the road and meditating before his numerous fireplaces, with the woodfire crackling—this passes his day.

Maxim does everything psychel-

at the moment he feels the urge.

He is quick in thought, word and deed and his wit is genuine.

His home, on a hill overlooking the lake, is filled with interesting paraphernalia. His library, cluttered and comfortable, is replete with machine guns, rifles, shells, paintings, memorabilia, his game "War," similar to chess—and books.

Frequently he goes to the kitchen, dons an apron and cooks. His delicacies are exceedingly palatable and his menu a pretentious one.

In Maxim's own room—his sleeping room—he has all the apparatus of a pugilist. Nearly every day he punches the bag and tugs at weights. His muscles are hard and flexible.

In other days Maxim was somewhat of a boxer and even now he often dons the gloves with younger companions.

Maxim's pet aversion at the moment is prohibition. He is vigorously opposed to the 18th amendment.

"Tea and coffee, as well as alcoholic beverages are banned by the 18th amendment. They are intoxicatingly stimulating. I am going to file suit against some big hotel and then make a case of it," he declared.

"Whether the candidate for the

LUMBER OUTLOOK HELD FAVORABLE

(The Timberman)

Fundamentally business remains in excellent position. The major industries continue prosperous; labor is fully employed for the season and, for the most part, at high wages; money is plentiful; building, where the season permits, is going ahead in good volume; the agriculture situation is improving; and, what is possibly of greatest importance, business men believe prospects are good. The outlook for future prices is uncertain, but presents relatively high costs of production are certain, so that buying is on a conservative basis.

For week ended January 26, total freight was \$91,326 cars, about 1900 less than for the preceding week, which was the heaviest January loading on record. Carloads for same week of 1923 were 21,862 less.

So far this year orders for lumber have exceeded production, both with respect to the country as a whole and the Greater West.

In 1923 production in fir territory

presidency is 'wet' or 'dry' is my only concern," he commented on the coming elections.

He does not smoke—and abhors the smell of burning tobacco.

Although rapidly anti-prohibition, Maxim seldom drinks, he avers.

The writer spent the whole of a cold, bleak winter day with him—and the cellar never was mentioned.

of Oregon, British Columbia and Washington was approximately 16,600,000,000 feet. Of this total 1,863,000,000 moved by water to California; \$50,000,000 went through the Panama canal to Atlantic coast, approximately 16,600,000,000 feet. Of this total, 1,863,000,000 moved by water to California, \$50,000,000 went on through the Panama canal to the Atlantic coast, approximately 1,250,000 was exported; local sales, plant repairs and sales to coast sash and door, box shuck manufacturers and the like took about 2,120,000,000—thus, the rail trade took about 4,500,000,000 feet.

California and the Atlantic coast in 1924 bid fair to take as much lumber as in 1923; there is reason to believe that foreign shipments will be good; local consumption apparently will keep up and the rail trade seems certain to increase.

The outlook for the year is encouraging, especially if markets are not glutted with unsold lumber, which is the factor that makes southern California wholesale market unsatisfactory at present.

California and export markets will not be active for several months, until mills adjust themselves to this weakness in some items is to be expected.

In 1923 lumber shipments were exceeded by production by 4.4 per cent; in 1923 shipments exceeded production by 4.6 per cent. In 1922 orders were booked for 8.2 per cent more lumber than was shipped; in 1923 shipments exceeded orders by 4.2 per cent.

In 1922 orders exceeded production by 3.4 per cent; in 1923 the excess of orders over production was four-tenths of 1 per cent. In 1923, therefore, the reserve of orders carried over from 1922 was cut in half.

but reserve of stocks were reduced by shipments, which exceeded production.

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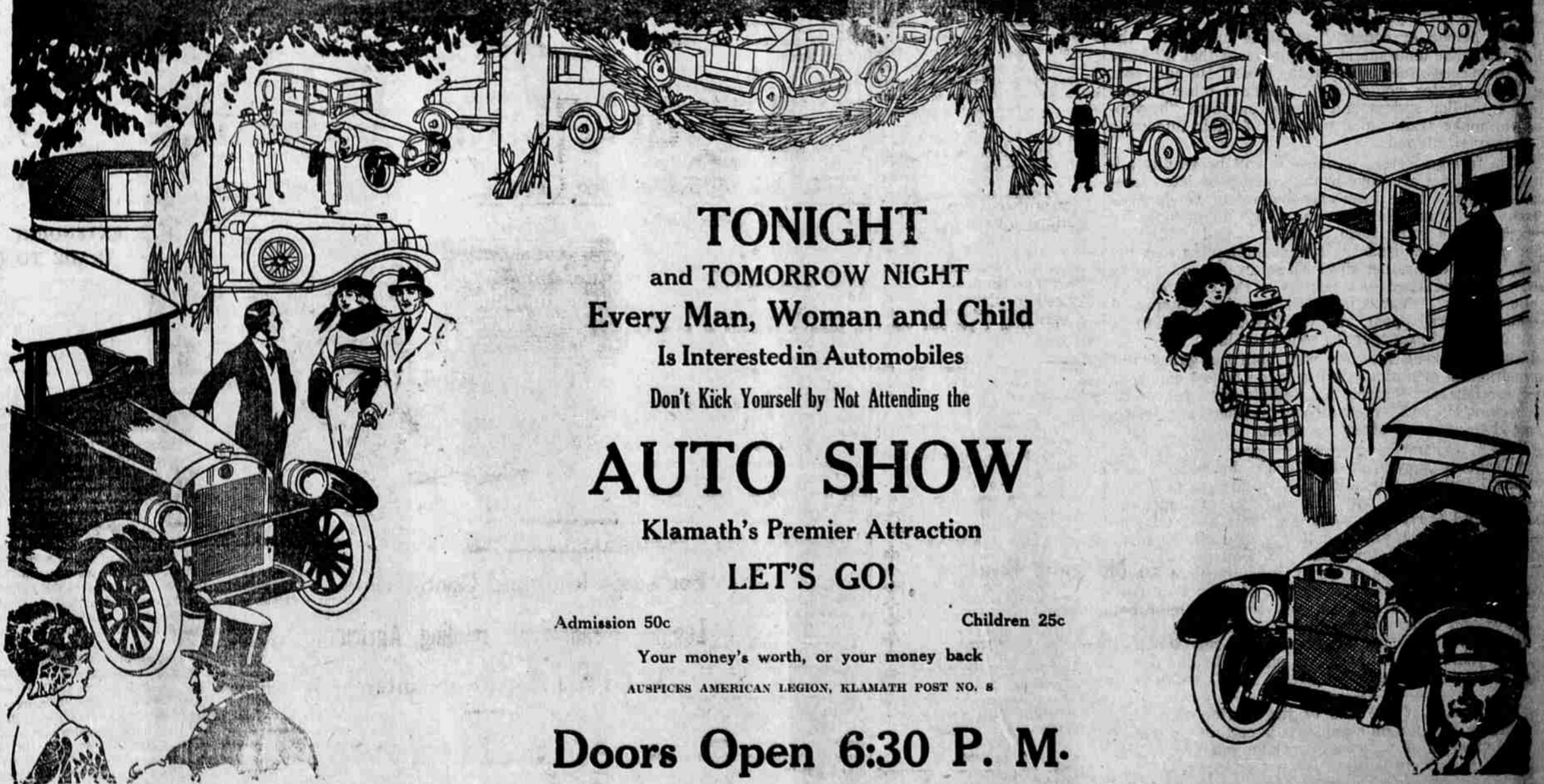
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