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Facts And Figures

While most of us drive autos, and all of us meet up with them about every day as we try to cross the street or road, few of us are aware of the statistics on automobiles which have been published recently by the Automobile Manufacturers Association.

In 1959, for example, the United States produced its 175 millionth automobile, with 5,591,243 passenger cars, valued at more than \$10 million, produced in that one year. The year 1916 was the first in which more than 1 million cars was produced, and the year 1917 the first in which the value exceeded \$1 million.

Only during the years of World War II did the number of new cars fall below 1 million; 1955 was the best year, with nearly 8 million cars produced.

Imports of foreign automobiles has risen from 253 in 1940 to 668,070 last year. Last year Great Britain led all other countries in exports to the U.S. of passenger cars.

In the past few years the types of passenger cars have changed radically. In 1940, two-thirds of the cars produced were 2-door sedans, with 4-door sedans accounting for most of the rest. By 1959 4-door sedans were the most-sought cars, while station wagons had increased in popularity from less than 1% to 16%, equaling the popularity of the two-door sedans. Hardtops, unheard of 20 years ago, now sold 26%, and convertibles were up to 5% of the total, 1 out of every 20.

The average of a passenger car in the United States is 5.7 years, the same as it was in 1937. Because of the second world war, the average age shot up to 9 years in 1946, but has slowly dropped since that time.

In 1958, 30% of the radios manufactured were for use in automobiles. Replacement part sales amounted to \$2.2 billion in 1959. School buses formed 90% of bus sales in 1959.

Of the cars on the road in 1959, 76% have radios, 51% have automatic transmissions, 16% have power steering and power brakes, 5% have power seats, 4% power windows, 2% safety belts, and 4% air conditioning.

The United States produced 49% of all the cars made in the world in 1958, and West Germany, the United Kingdom and France exported more motor vehicles than we did.

Motor vehicle registration in the United States, has risen from four in 1896 to more than 70 million last year. There are 112 million vehicles registered in the entire world. In fact, 66% of the world's passenger cars are in the United States, although the United States has only 5.9% of the land area, and 6.4% of the people.

So look out when you cross the street—there are a lot of automobiles around!

TV PROGRAMS

Central Daylight Time

WANE-TV

Channel 15

MONDAY

Evening
6:00—Amos & Andy
6:30—Tom Calenberg News
6:45—Doris Edwards-News
7:00—Shotgun Slade
7:15—The Sing Show
8:00—The Texan
8:20—Father Knows Best
9:00—Danny Thomas Show
9:30—The Big Show
11:00—Phil Wilson News
11:15—Olympics
11:15—Escape In The Desert

TUESDAY

7:30—Peppermint Theatre
7:45—The Wonderful
7:50—CBS News
8:15—Captain Kangaroo
9:00—Coffee Cup Theater
10:30—On The Go
11:00—I Love Lucy
11:30—December Bride

Wednesday
12:00—Love Of Life
12:30—Search For Tomorrow
12:45—Guiding Light
1:00—Ann Colone's Woman's Page
1:30—As The World Turns
2:00—For Better or for Worse
2:30—Houseparty

3:00—All My Sons
3:30—Verdict Is Yours
4:00—Brighter Day
4:15—Secret Storm
4:30—Dance Of Night
5:00—Dance Date

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6:00—Amos & Andy
6:15—Doris Edwards-News
6:45—Doris Edwards-News
7:00—Hotel de Paree
7:30—Bishop Sheen Program
8:00—The Singers
8:30—Dobie Gillis
9:00—Tightrope
9:30—Red Skelton
10:00—The Carol Burnett Show
11:30—Phil Wilson News
11:30—Pacific Adventure

WKJG-TV

Channel 33

MONDAY

Evening
6:00—Gateway To Sports
6:15—The News Gray
6:20—The Weatherman
6:20—Yesterday's Newsreel
6:45—Huntley-Brinkley Report
7:00—All My Sons
7:30—U.S. Border Patrol
8:30—Wells Fargo
9:00—Peter Gunn
10:00—The Allen Show
10:30—News and Weather
11:15—Sports Today
11:30—Jack Parr Show

TUESDAY

6:30—Continental Classroom

Firm Base Line On Heart Disease StudyBy DELOS SMITH
UPI Science Editor

NEW YORK (UPI)—Medical science now has a firm "base line" for finding out if it is possible to pick out a young and seemingly healthy heart which is likely to go wrong when its owner gets into his middle years.

If and when that can be done, preventive medicine will be entering a new era, since heart disease is the number one killer of middle aged males. Presumably science could find ways of heading off pre-designed heart attacks.

The "base line" is 3,983 men whose hearts first came under the scrutiny of the electrocardiograph 1 to 20 years ago when all were vigorously young. For the past 11 years or so these recordings of the varying electric waves kept in motion by the beating heart, have been repeated periodically.

Shows Heart Waves

These recordings show the heart electric waves in patterns. Some patterns are distinctly normal and most young hearts show them. Others are markedly abnormal in a variety of combinations. When such a pattern comes out on the paper, the specialist expects to find abnormalities when he examines the mean whose heart gave it off.

In the cases of the 3,983 the medical examiners turned from the original recordings to men who were in the pink—who were the crewmen of World War II bombers and post-war pilots. Of the 3,983 individual heart wave patterns, however, 42 were definitely abnormal and the normality of 109 were questionable, although these 151 seemed just as healthy as the others.

This raises the big question of the meanings of abnormal heart wave patterns in apparently healthy persons, and it is the question Drs. F. A. L. Mathewson and G. S. Varnam of the Royal Canadian Air Force heart research laboratory hope to answer. Specifically, do abnormal heart wave patterns in relatively young persons indicate failing hearts when they get older?

Too Soon To Compare

Of the original 3,983 men, 83 died but only seven succumbed to heart disease. Of the survivors, 69 per cent still are under 40 years and so it is too soon to compare heart attacks among those who had abnormal readings with those who had normal ones.

The scientists expect their heart experiences over the next 20 years to tell them much.

Men who have heart attacks before 40 are a very small percentage of those who have their attacks after they're 50. But so far, 3.3 per cent of the 3,983 who had abnormal readings when young have developed heart disease. The comparable figure for those with normal readings is 0.7 per cent. The mean age of the men who have had heart trouble is 48 years.

The scientists reported their work to the American Heart Assn. They pointedly noted that some of the recorded heart abnormalities they had studied were due to faulty recording rather than to faulty hearts. Physicians and technicians who take electrocardiograms should be very careful, and thus "reduce the number of instances in which doubt is cast upon the soundness of the heart of an apparently healthy persons."

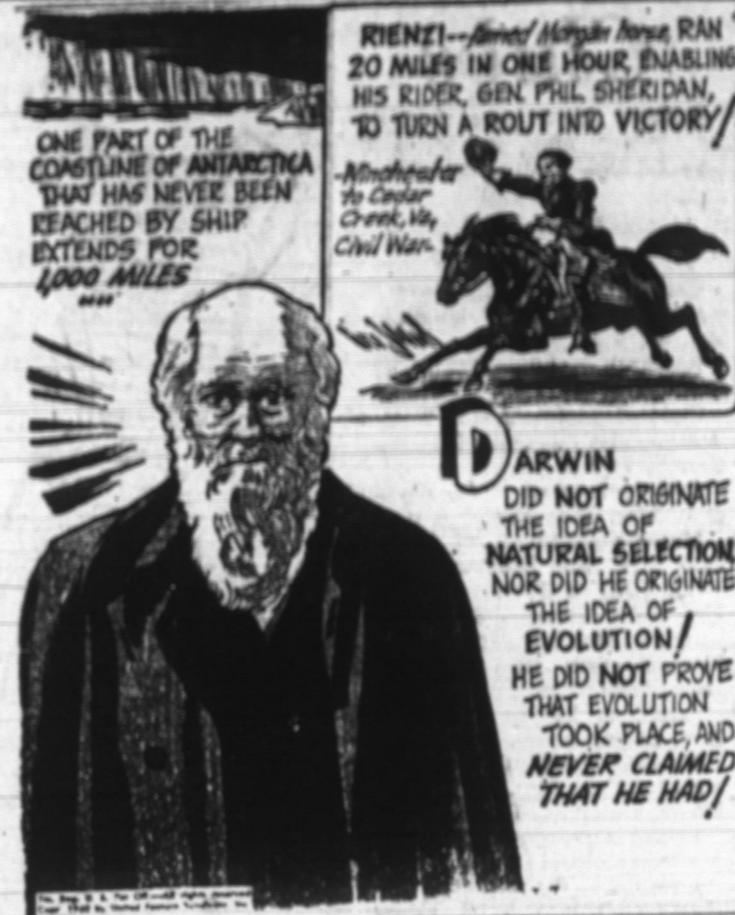
Jack Paar Returns To TV Show Tonight

NEW YORK (UPI)—Jack Paar planned to end tonight his boycott of his own television program after 25 days.

Paar, who quit the program Feb. 11 because NBC censored his joke about a water closet, later reconciled with the network's officials and said he would eventually return to the job. Having completed a Florida, Hawaii and Hong Kong vacation, he planned to do so to-night.

New Way to Correct Hearing Loss Shown In VOGUE

A new concept in ear rings has been adapted by Maico Electronics for those with a hearing loss. Appropriately named, Whisper-Lite Hear-Rings, they help conceal any hearing correction. Many designs for day or night, formal or casual, winter or summer are available. A complete display of this newest fashion may be seen at Maico at 217 N. Wayne St., Fort Wayne, Ind. A free booklet will be sent on request.

**Cold Lingers Over Nation Heartland**

United Press International

A mass of Arctic air lingered over the nation's heartland today.

Sub-zero readings were common through the north central portion of the country for the third straight day.

The frigid air, which came on the heels of a devastating winter storm, knifed south from Florida and set records in at least 12 states Sunday.

The cold wave set low temperature records with readings of 1 degree below zero at Davenport, Iowa; 2 above at Chicago; 5 below at Topeka, Kan.; 5 below at Des Moines, Iowa; 4 below at Columbia, Mo.; 6 below at Indianapolis; 14 below at Madison, Wis.; 7 below at Milwaukee; 7 below at Flint, Mich., and 2 below at Cleveland.

The weather was generally warmer today over the eastern part of the country.

Light snow, generally an inch or less, was forecast over most of the northern Plains, middle and upper Mississippi Valley and the lower Ohio Valley. Rain and drizzle were expected over most of the lower Mississippi Valley and southern Plains. Rain was also the outlook for parts of the West Coast.

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Gary Lumber Yard Destroyed By Fire

GARY, Ind. (UPI)—A lumber yard warehouse at Gary was destroyed by fire Sunday, as some 50 firemen worked for hours to bring the flames under control.

Officials estimated the damage at \$250,000. The lumber yard was operated by the Bader Building Materials Corp. and contained several other buildings which were saved from the flames. Fire Chief Joseph Massa said the fire apparently was caused by defective wiring.

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