

SHOP TALK

By RAY BROOKS

ZERO-ZERO
(No relation to Simon Simone)
Goodness me and shucks!...
ain't it been cold.

As I observe the little girls and young ladies on their way to school with bare legs and abbreviated cotton socks I understand how women in general can go thru wintry blasts with only sheer chiffons... they start their training against cold early in life; they build up resistance from childhood.

Or am I wrong?
Now take my feet for example... I wish somebody would take my feet... I have to look down at them every few minutes to be sure I'm not standing in a puddle of cracked ice.

As Ben Bernie remarked... "for orange groves go to Santa Ana, for movie stars go to Hollywood and for sunshine and weather in approved winter-visitor style, always ending your damnation with 'unusual'."

These days instead of saying "Hello" when you meet a friend you say, "Have you a smudge pot on you?"

I recently organized a "Put-a-Smudge-Pot-In-Every-Home-Society." To qualify for membership you must have cold feet, wear no long underwear and be able to curse any last-but-the-weather in approved winter-visitor style, always ending your damnation with "unusual."

Membership fee is three frozen oranges, a bouquet of frosted poinsettias and a doctor's certificate proving you have been in bed at least three days with the Spanish-California flu.

Official handshake is the "icy grip."

HOW TO DEMONSTRATE A TAMALE

Have you ever been to a hot tamale demonstration? Believe you me it's great fun. You stand in line for some time waiting your turn and then when someone says "hike" you close your eyes, open your trap and the demonstrator slings a sizzling chunk of hot tamale down your gullet.

When sufficiently recovered you say, "Now, ain't that delicious." Then you buy several, go home and practice the stunt on your family.

At least that's the way they do it in Huehuetenango, Guatemala... or maybe it's Tegucigalpa, Honduras.

Notwithstanding, Henry Grubb, with the support and co-operation of Luer's meat packing plant, is holding a Luer hot tamale demonstration next Saturday, all day. A pretty young thing will serve free samples and propound on the merits of Luer's tamales.

And for the one day there will be a special bargain price of three for 25 cents.

WELL HEELED

Kenny Ruffell, proprietor of Kenny's Master Shoe Rebuilding, over on Carson street, reserved permanent parking space in front of his shop for a new Ford he recently purchased from Schultz & Peckham. It is said he bought the car to save SHOE LEATHER... how'd ya like it!

Ye Olde Storke recently left a young son at the Ruffell's and Kenny, like 65% of 99% of all male adults, wanted an electric train. Soooooo, he bought a very fancy miniature lay-out for his son... who, by the way, won't know a train from a bag of peanuts for several years yet. Kenny shoots the train around about four acres of track and probably will have the thing ready for a complete overhaul by the time young Ruffell grows up.

(How do you know all this? Why, I got down on the floor and helped him run it!!)

WESTINGHOUSE MASCOT
B. J. "Scotty" Scott, of the Torrance Electric Shop, has a mountain lion atop a new 1937 Westinghouse Refrigerator in his store. The bloomin' thing reaches from here to there and to the casual observer it looks ready to spring right out and getcha.

Fortunately it is stuffed and represents one of five lions Scotty shot while on a 20-day hunting trip last summer up in northern California. Scotty accompanied a state lion hunter and came back with a head full of lion lore that held my intense interest until Scotty got tired talking.

A few high lights:
The state hunter gets \$100 per month salary and \$31 per month maintenance costs for his dogs. (On the 20-day trip the state man got better than \$540 in all including various bounties for the five "cats.")

A lion dog is trained for five years before he is turned loose on the trail and requires another two years in the field be-

Zoning Plan Given C.C.M.O.

City Engineer Frank Leonard submitted a proposed plan for zoning property owned by the Chancellor-Canfield-Midway Oil Company along the western end of Torrance boulevard at a meeting with U. T. Clotfelter, vice-president of the C.C.M.O. and chief attorney for the Santa Fe Railway today.

The plan was taken under consideration by Clotfelter and other C.C.M.O. officials, who expressed a desire to study such a zoning proposal several weeks ago when the Chamber of Commerce suggested that the land in that part of the city be made available for residential and business development.

Two Large Homes Under Construction

New building in Torrance started during the past week totaled \$11,480 and included two six-room homes and a frame duplex. The home builders, according to records at the City Engineer's office, are Albert Ison, attorney, who is erecting a frame stucco dwelling and double garage at 2467 Sonoma street, and James Brodie, who has a frame stucco home and double garage going up at 1504 Anapola street. Both will cost about \$4,700 each.

Percy F. Perry is building a frame duplex at 3304-06 State Highway. Walteria, costing \$1,000 each. Stella Anderson took out a building permit for an additional room to the home at 1222 Cota street, the work to cost \$80.

fore he becomes an expert hunter. A good lion hound will pass up trails of deer, rabbit, fox and all other scents for lion.

A hunter always has at least two airfares. These dogs are faster than hounds and never bark unless they see the lion. When the hunter hears the airfares he knows they have seen the animal and probably have him "out on a limb."

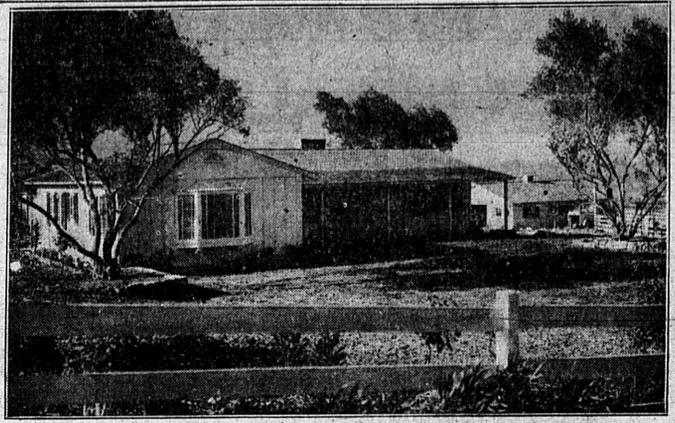
Lions will always tree unless wounded; then they will fight back. A hunter always tries for a death shot. Unless the lion is killed or paralyzed with the first bullet he will tear the dogs apart when he hits the ground.

The dogs are always allowed to maul the carcass. This gives them the reward for their work and permits them to let off their killing instinct they have developed during the hunt. But for all their matting they never puncture the tough hide of the lion and his skin is always saleable.

When the dogs tire of the lion they usually start fighting among themselves. But nothing serious comes of this and the lion is skinned and strips of the carcass are tossed to the hounds, which all sit around in a circle and wait until a chunk is thrown their way.

Scotty admitted that the pounding over the mountains was rather tough but he had the time of his life and brought back two skins (the hunter let him do the shooting). The other skin Scotty had made into a rug.

Here's Latest Rolling Hills Ranch Home



THIS ATTRACTIVE RANCH home, "Rancho de los Palominos," was recently completed at Rolling Hills for Hammond B. Johns, prominent Long Beach insurance broker. Of early California type, it contains an exceptionally large living-dining room, with wide windows on three sides, opening onto a tile-paved terrace which virtually extends the spacious living quarters to the out-of-doors. Two bedrooms and baths occupy a transverse wing, while a breakfast room with a view-commanding bay window opens off the modernly equipped kitchen.

TORRANCE HIGH LIGHTS . . . by Vida Jones

Thompson Tribute . . .

In tribute to Francis Thompson, whose untimely death is felt deeply by all who knew him, the flag at Torrance high flies at half-mast. Francis was a member of the Varsity and Key clubs, a Tartar Knight, and a two-year letter-man. He will be greatly missed in the print shop where he spent three hours a day and took an active part in the instruction of beginners. H. Andrews, printshop instructor spoke of Francis' industry and obedience and also of his ambition to attend Frank Wiggins Trade School to major in the trade. The sympathy of the entire student body goes out to Mr. and Mrs. Thompson.

Ten Attend N. B. P. W. C.

Ten students from the commercial department, Donna Toler, Ethel Floyd, Ruth Edmunds, Henrietta Schipper, Thelma Welch, Margaret Doner, Margaret Batovsky, Charlotte Gots, Lois Everett and Dorothy Shaw were dinner guests of the National Business and Professional Women's club, Monday night. After a short entertainment provided by Mirandy of the Beverly Hill Billies, the guest speaker, Mrs. Leidendecker, spoke of business principles and ideals.

Exchange Knowledge . . .

Last Friday boys from Banning high paid the science classes a visit and brought with them a seismograph which recorded the slight earthquake happening that morning. In return, several boys from the Radio club will demonstrate be-

It's to Be Most Colorful Spring, Men's Fashion Designers Predict

Western Now In State System of Major Highways

Western avenue and Anaheim street have been included in the State system of major highways, the Los Angeles city engineer reported to the Los Angeles city council this week after receiving notification from the State Highway Department.

Budget of the state highway commission for this year falls to show any funds set up that would be applied to construction work on either artery, however.

Set New Record

California vegetable growers set a new state record for acreage planted when 564,070 acres were placed under cultivation in 1936, the federal-state crop reporting service announced.

Eating Made Difficult . . .

The six delegates from the Scholarship Society who attended the district banquet at Venice came home with appetites unappeased. Chow mein was the main course and since chop sticks were the only weapons provided, most of the delicacy went back untouched.

Amateurs Score Hit . . .

The Key club amateur contest with 18 acts was enthusiastically received by the student body. The relative merits of the acts were decided by the audience and worth while prizes were awarded.

It's going to be a colorful spring—in men's clothing.

Many intriguing and fascinating shades and names, along with new patterns and designs, have been introduced for spring and summer wear, according to fashion information reaching Torrance men's wear dealers this week.

Such colors as "burma," "dawn" gray, "blueberry" blue, and "dubonnet" will make their appearance in summer suits and slacks. "Guardsman's blue," putty, steel, rust, cornflower blue, "Gloucester" green, eggshell, "sky cloud," "meadow tones," "cavalry arms" and bottle green will be new colors for shirts.

Neckties will be available in all kinds of dazzling colors.

To be sartorially elegant the man of 1937 should wear a summer suit of "dawn gray" or "burma" coat, with black tuxedo trousers. A maroon bow tie with cuff links to match is worn with a soft front, pleated white shirt. A red carnation must be worn in the buttonhole of the coat.

Bright blue "blueberry" and "dubonnet" colors are new in summer slacks, now called "sandbags."

In a sports shirt he can wear a "jungle" shirt or a "knockabout" shirt. There is "the Bolero," having a Russian effect, and is worn with slacks. It comes in shades of deep lavender, bottle green and navy blue and is made of broadcloth, silk and satin.

Underwear and nightclothes will be made from featherweight material and will bear names of "clouds with a silver lining" and "seaweed."

Hospital Holds Many Patients

Jared Sidney Torrance Memorial hospital was a busy place here this past week with 27 patients and eight babies occupying the attention of the staff under the direction of Miss Esther Z. Maxwell, superintendent. New patients received during the past seven days are:

Mrs. Virginia Bown, 211 Torrance boulevard, Redondo, received Jan. 17 for surgical attention. Bob Guisti, 142 Camino Real, Hermosa, returned Jan. 17 for medical attention. He was a surgical case on Jan. 11. Mrs. Eva Loui, 453 N. Fremont avenue, Los Angeles, entered Jan. 19 for medical care. William C. Mayo, 72-year-old resident at 523 S. Francisco street, Redondo, was bedded Jan. 18 for medical attention.

Girls Are Recovering

Herbert Myers, 512 Strand avenue, Redondo, was listed for medical care Jan. 17. Kristian Strat, 138 1/2 First Place, Hermosa, entered Jan. 14 for medical attention and Miss Theresa McElligott, 626 Vincent Park, Redondo, was received Jan. 20 for pneumonia treatment.

Two little girls are recovering from appendectomy operations. Both entered on the same day—Monday. They are Helen Faye Crawford, 10-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Owen Crawford, 828 B Sartori avenue, and Barbara Schweitzer, nine-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Schweitzer, 810 Fifth street, Hermosa.

Heads Surgeons



Dr. John R. Nilsson, of Omaha, has been appointed as Chief Surgeon of the Union Pacific Railroad Company, with jurisdiction over the Hospital and Medical Departments of the entire railroad, according to an announcement by W. M. Jeffers, Executive Vice President. Since 1928 Dr. Nilsson has been Chief Surgeon of the Eastern Unit of the Union Pacific.

Hospital Nursery Is Well Populated

A daughter, born last night, to Mr. and Mrs. T. A. Thorson, 25118-B Eshelman avenue, Lomita.

A son, born last night, to Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Wheaton, 232 Monterey boulevard, Hermosa. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. George Wheaton of 1223 Arlington avenue.

New babies arriving during the past week at Jared Sidney Torrance Memorial hospital were:

A son, born Wednesday, to Mr. and Mrs. Edward M. Brunner, 2024 Arlington avenue. Brunner is manager of the Mayfair Creamery here.

A son, born Jan. 14, to Mr. and Mrs. Thor Matland, 1101 West M street, Wilmington.

A daughter, born Jan. 13, to Mr. and Mrs. Louis D. Simpson, 231 S. Irena street, Redondo.

A daughter, born Jan. 15, to Mr. and Mrs. Ben Sedgwick, 25022 Narbonne avenue, Lomita.

A daughter, born Jan. 13, to Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Weatherly, 17111 Dalton avenue, Gardena.

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