

TOWNE TALK

"Just for Fun"

By RAS BERRY

I have always contended that what the modern girl should learn is not cooking but practical electricity. With a ironing machine, a washing machine, a electric iron, percolator, hair curler, heater and toaster in the house the girl who gets wedded these days has got to know her kilowatts.

The world is moving along pretty swift in electrical things and if you don't believe it why listen to this. I went down to the Dolly Drug Sunday a. m. to get a package of not a cough in a car-load and Harry showed me a electric shaving razor which he had got from some high powered salesman and Harry says he can't sell it on acct. of everybody are afraid of it and me having went through the war safe I steps up and says I will use it just like that and after the listeners had recovered from their astonishment to my bravery why I picked up the device and sped homeward and I went right to the shaving part of the house and while my boss checked up on my life ins. I hooked up the apparatus and lathered up and started to attack a two day growth. All you do is turn on the juice and put the razor on your face at an angle of 75 degrees but I didn't have no engineering instruments and couldn't measure the angle so I missed a big tuft under my chin and my boss weeps because she thinks I am starting to join the Dunderbuds and anyway I shaved and it is a pretty good razor provided you don't bang on to the metal part and touch the faucet at the same time because if you do it maybe will set you down which is pretty near fatal to me and probably would of did if I had not been alert, but I did get quite a shock. All this razor does is vibrate and it catches the hairs standing straight up and if you don't watch yourself the juice will catch you standing straight up and knock you straight flat.

How is these razors selling I says to Harry after the ordeal and he says not so good but they is a good adv. and I says well they won't be after I get through writing about them and he says well do your stuff and Harry Roberts come up and he sees the tuft under my chin and says Ha I know you even with the disguise, you are Charles Evans Hughes and I says so is your old man, they can't kid me none.

I didn't charge Harry nothing for demonstrating the razor.

They is quite a argument along El Prado about who has ketches the biggest gopher and what is the best way to ketch them.

Slip Kelsey he says gophers is very proud animals and they don't have much chance to see themselves as others see them so Slip he puts a mirror in front of a gopher hole as soon as the hole shows up and the gopher comes out and he looks at his self and dies of disappointment.

J. C. Smith says that won't work on his lot because his gophers ain't

proud. J. C. has got a formula of his own, he being a real estate man. He says every time a gopher hole shows up on his lawn he figures the gophers is real estate prospects and so he makes out a agreement of sale for the hole with first and second mortgages and trust deeds and all and he shoves it down the hole and when the gophers see the size of the escrow fees they commit suicide.

Sam Levy says that is o. k. for a real estate man but it won't work on his gophers which is financially independent and awful good dealers. He says he tried it on his lot and his gophers et up the trust deeds. Sam has got another way. Whenever a family of gophers starts digging up his lawn Sam puts cake and candy and ice cream at the hole entrance and the gophers think they have made a friend and in a few days they come right out of the hole and play ring around the rose on the front lawn. After a few more days they is so friendly and so appreciative of kindness Sam knows the time is ripe to get rid of them and so he prints a sign which says The Family which lives in this house is moving to the Kingsley home across the street. And that's where all the gophers at my house come from.

Then it is up to me to get rid of them. And I have got it clinched. Acting on Sam's lead I put dainties in front of the hole. Each day I put the sweets a little farther away in the direction of the jail. In five days I have got the gophers going right into the jail for their ice cream and candy and then I tip off the fire boys and as the gophers run by the boys kill them with wild heaves of the horsehoes.

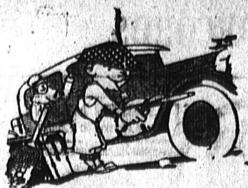
Egan Theatre Notes Turn to Serious Plays

The legitimate stage of Los Angeles is regaining its former popularity, after a few years of struggling against motion pictures and other forms of amusement. Among the many offerings which are now enjoying popularity on the wave of this new interest is the drama "Window Panes" starring Sarah Padden at the Egan theatre. This unusual drama written by Olga Printzlau opened with an appeal only to the serious minded theater goer and within two weeks it had forged ahead to the front ranks of entertainments in Los Angeles. The discussion, the excellent cast and the role created by Miss Padden are the probable causes for its sudden popularity. It is now in its third week with the possibilities of a long run ahead of it.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed McDonald spent Sunday in Pasadena.

Mr. and Mrs. James Clove and Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Wilson of Payson, Utah, were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Freeman Saturday. Mr. Clove is principal of the high school there, and Mr. Wilson is superintendent of schools. Both are here attending the summer session of the University of California at Los Angeles.

A pair of Jacks—Jack Hanson and Jack Barnes—spent Monday at Warren Johnston's ranch at Escondido.



TIPS on VACATION



Editor's Note: This is the fourth of a series of Vacation Trips for the Motorist. Whether your time permits of a day or a month, you will find interesting trips outlined in this series of articles. Watch for them each week.

Golden Trout and Glorious Scenery

July is the Golden Trout season and many sportsmen and enthusiastic fishermen are now seeking the habitats of these rare specimens of "Golden Beauties," according to the Touring Department of the National Automobile Club. One of the most accessible as well as most beautiful regions of the High Sierra District where Golden Trout as well as Loch Leven, Eastern Brook, Rainbow and Steelhead may be secured is in the Big Pine Creek district and in the numerous glacier-fed lakes and nearby canyons. Reached from Los Angeles by a ride of seven or eight hours, the route to this scenic mountain region which rivals Yosemite in beauty, lies over paved road to Saugus and Mojave, thence over wide graded gravel road, with some chucky sections to Indian Wells; with the same type of surface, somewhat corrugated for a distance of ten miles leading into Lone Pine, followed by good graded gravel for 3 miles, excellent oiled gravel to Manzanar and good graded gravel to Independence. Oiled gravel is traversed for 9 miles, with one-half width concrete for 8 miles and good gravel and oiled gravel into Big Pine. At this point the motorist turns left and follows a good mountain road, with some narrow sections, a distance of eleven miles to Glacier Lodge, where one may secure horses for the ride into Big Pine Canyon to the string of beautiful lakes above. A ride of two or three hours by horseback brings one to an elevation of 11,000 feet, at the Upper Camp, surrounded by crystal lakes and with incomparable views of the nearby Pallsade Glacier and ragged, barren mountain peaks. The Pallsade Glacier is the most southerly glacier in the United States and at its foot lies Glacier Lake, approximately three miles long and a mile wide, estimated to be seven hundred feet deep. From the Upper Camp six lakes are reached within a walk of ten or twelve minutes and boats are available on many of them. On the opening date of the Golden Trout season many limits were taken. The gray hackle and willows as well as Fly-orenos proved satisfactory.

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Vacation Paradise Only One Day Away—

A one-day motor trip of unusual interest and beauty is the one which leads from Los Angeles through Fraser Mountain Park to the scenic mountain of the same name, thence to Lockwood Valley and Pine Springs, located in the Santa Barbara National Forest. The mileage for the round trip is 218 miles and the route lies over pavement from Los Angeles through Hollywood, North Hollywood and the ever scenic Ridge route to Chandlers, 81 miles distant. It is of interest to motorists over this highway to know that between Saugus and Sandberg, 34 miles there are 531 curves in the highway. There is a road leading to the left .2 of a mile beyond Chandlers directing motorists to Fraser Mountain park, but a better road will be found .7 of a mile beyond this point. Pavement is left here and a good natural gravel road leads over a foothill section where scrub oaks, manzanitas and buckthorn growths abound, interspersed with the bloom of elderberries, Mariposa and Scotch thistles and slippery elm. Grades of 6% to 7% are encountered on this road which soon leads into a district thickly wooded with pines, willows and cottonwoods. Three miles distant from the Ridge road lies Frazer Mountain Park settlement where many cabin homes are to be seen. An electrically lighted roadway leads through this district, thence through the Park bearing the same name. On either side of this good mountain road are to be seen immense gardens of blooming yuccas and the growths of pine become more profuse. Four miles beyond the settlement is a junction point. The road to the right leads to Cuddy Valley and the one to the left to Cuddy's Ranch. From this point a very scenic trip is the one leading up Frazer Mountain. Following the road leading to the left, and continuing for one mile, the ascent begins up this scenic mountain. It is a good mountain road but very narrow in places, with a maximum grade of eight percent. For a number of miles the road borders a stream which is thickly wooded with young willow trees, juniper trees and two varieties of pines. Three miles up the mountain side is located Chuchpate Camp and at this point the road is closed by order of the district forester. This is a public camp ground located in a beautiful grassy meadow and equipped with tables, benches and sanitary conveniences. Retracing the route down the mountain side, the road then winds along foothills bordered by immense meadows in which sheep and cattle graze, through huge sage flats, thence through pine wooded Lebec Forest which would be a fitting setting for a portrayal of "Robin Hood." Leading further and further from the haunts of men, an immense valley is reached, known as "Lockwood Valley." Here the hand of progress has not reached and the country appears to be in its primeval state. Here Zane Grey's "Riders of the Purple Sage" or other western classics might well be filmed. The thick growths of sage give a gray appearance to the whole country while dots of color are provided by the purple of lupines, white blooms of Mariposa thistles and the scarlet of Indian paint brushes. Leaving this valley, the last five miles leading to Pine Springs are only advisable to adventurous drivers, for the road leads over grades ranging from 18 to 28%, to a country of immense trees and sylvan solitude.

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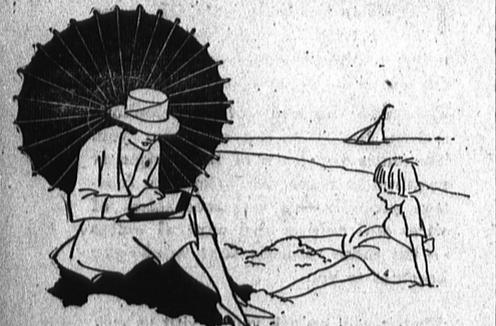
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