

# Motor Trip Across Nation Recommended by Writer

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Washington — A transcontinental motor trip across the United States is a rich experience that every American ought to have just to get hold of the breath-taking grandeur of this country and to realize that it has only started to grow to maturity.

The dweller of a big city is tempted to think the country is becoming overpopulated, for at every hand are urban problems that weren't there a few years ago—crowded schools, fewer parking spaces, bumper to bumper rush hour traffic, acres and acres of new housing developments.

The traveler across this broad land quickly realizes that even the rural eastern areas provide lots of elbow room for the future without even contemplating how long it might take to occupy the vast prairie west of the Mississippi.

The major industrial states of the East have built great turnpikes which interconnect so that one can now go from New York to Chicago, 837 miles, without hitting a red light or going through a town. It is an eerie adventure to hurtle along at a steady 65 or 70 for hours on end, seeing nothing but rolling countryside, tilled and planted by people who must live somewhere—somewhere but not where the big road goes.

West of Chicago, turnpikes are a something thing. The highway building program launched by the federal government about four years ago is resulting in extensive improvement on the main arteries. But once the traveler gets off the beaten path, he is on the two-lane roads of yesterday.

The best highways in the West lie along the Pacific coast from southern California to the Pacific Northwest. The worst roads are those which take the traveler over the Rockies along the northern route toward the Midwest. Driving a car of some vintage with lots of heart but a tired radiator, this traveler required three hours—including eight stops to let the motor cool—to climb over the Big Horn mountain range in Wyoming.

## Quotes From the News

By United Press International

New York—Mary Martin, weeping over the death of Oscar Hammerstein II after Tuesday night's performance of "The Sound of Music":  
"Please excuse me, Oscar has always said the words. Tonight I have none of my own."

Sea Girt, N.J.—Capt. William B. Gray, director of the Miami, Fla., Seaquarium, warning that the shark that attacked a man off the New Jersey coast Sunday night might strike again:  
"One in a while there is a renegade shark that gets a taste of a human being. Then he will keep on looking and when he finds a human being he'll attack him."

Los Angeles—Judge Leroy Dawson, presiding over the second murder trial of Dr. R. Bernard Finch and Carole Tregoff, rebuking spectators after several giggled at an exchange between the judge and defense attorneys:  
"Anyone who finds anything funny here will be removed. This is not an entertainment being provided for spectators."

Frankly, this traveler found it as dreary to see no billboards as it is nauseating to see blaring signboards row on row in the overly commercial areas, such as the road leading to Mount Rushmore National Monument in South Dakota. A few billboards can be better than none, and a lot better than too many.

The Baldock freeway seemed to have the best compromise—an example of billboard control but not signboard exclusion. This traveler admits to being prejudiced in favor of funny billboards, like the ones that gas station operator has erected all over Idaho. A favorite is the one that sticks up from a field of boulders and reads:  
"Petrified Watermelons. Take one home to your mother-in-law."

One of those will keep a man awake at the wheel and chuckling inside for many miles.

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**FIRE NEAR RENO**—Flames from a section west of Reno, Nev., Tuesday. Flames were reported more than 100 feet high. Fire was through a thick stand of valuable timber believed caused by a careless camper. (UPI Telephoto)

## Fraternity Votes On 'Integration' At Chapters

Portland — UPI — A vote to open chapters to Negroes was scheduled as the first order of business today at the national convention of Sigma Nu because the proposed amendment failed to get a vote Tuesday.

In two sessions behind closed doors, the delegates of the nation-wide fraternity organization failed to vote on the matter—one that has plagued the fraternity for the past 12 years.

A representative from Wisconsin had previously warned the 400 delegates that if the amendment did not pass, his chapter would have to close within two weeks.

At least 11 Sigma Nu chapters across the country are facing injunction to end racial discrimination "or get off the campus," according to Richard Fletcher, executive secretary from Virginia.

Sigma Nu traces its origin to Virginia Military Institute before the Civil War. The organization has vigorously opposed any changes in its traditional rules. The conflict, according to members, concerns the right of a private organization to set its own standards.

The fraternity has 128 collegiate chapters.

## CONSTRUCTING BRIDGE

Happy Camp — "Moe" Ellis and Tom Lemon have taken a contract for the construction of a bridge across Indian creek to the home of Mr. and Mrs. Cody Attebery. The bridge will be in the same site as the old bridge. The stringers are all in place and ready to plank it.

## Grange News

### Gold Hill Grange

At a recent meeting of the Gold Hill Grange, 96 new chairs were accepted, and members voted to blacktop the front and back of the hall. The possibility of new sidewalk is being studied.

Agricultural chairman reported there is a scarcity of hay of good quality, and the barley crop is not too good and the price will be higher later in the season.

A youth party is being planned Aug. 30 for children 10 through 18. This will be for all of the Gold Hill district and parents will be welcome.

Lecture hour was a poem "I Saw My Master Face to Face" by Blanche Merriman, and there was group singing and games.

On Aug. 18, there was balloting on new members, and Edith Martin was voted favorably to receive initiation.

Agricultural chairman reported pear picking has started and that the pears are smaller this year. Also that cattle prices are off a little. The market is good on potatoes at the present time.

Master Alva Walker attended the third meeting of the Copco meetings, with the authorization of the state, and reported at the meeting.

There was a report on the community service committee, on which they are preparing the report for the contest.

### SUFFERS HEART ATTACK

Happy Camp — Mr. Paul Crouch, operator of the Wag-on-Wheel in Happy Camp, suffered two severe heart attacks in Yreka, Aug. 17. The first attack came while he was at the Yreka Inn with friends. The second came at the Siskiyou County hospital. Friends report that he is still in serious condition although he is improving.

basement stairs, and a new fan for the kitchen will also be added to the Grange hall, along with new carpet for the ramp leading to the stage.

The Gold Hill Grange will sponsor "Smokey the Bear" Keep Oregon Green club party for all the children who have read conservation books from the library.

As "Daylight Saving Time" will be on the November ballot, the Gold Hill Grange voted to donate \$5 to the State Grange to help fight the battle to defeat this.

Mr. and Mrs. Kelly were welcomed back from their vacation to Michigan.

There will be a new dance band at the Saturday night dances starting Saturday, Aug. 27. It will be Dick Flood's band which played there before for over two years.

Mr. and Mrs. Walker served watermelon and canteloupe as refreshments.

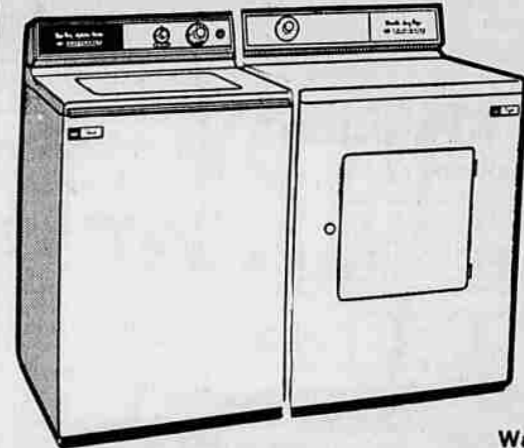
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## Hollywood's 'Walk of Fame' Said To Have More Clamor Than Glamour

By VERNON SCOTT  
UPI Hollywood Correspondent

Hollywood — UPI — Tourists along Hollywood Boulevard are bumping heads and trampling movie stars underfoot. It's all because of the new "walk of fame"—a collection of motion picture, TV and recording greats whose names have been imbedded in the sidewalk.

Originally intended as part of a campaign to give glamour to the famed boulevard, it has served only to provide clamor. Biggest ruckus is the \$400,000 lawsuit brought by Charles Champlin Jr., demanding his father's name be cemented into the walk along with the likes of Zazu Pitts, Boris Karloff, Lassie, Ramon Novarro, Basil Rathbone and Jayne Mansfield.

Only half completed, the walk is composed of black terrazzo squares supposedly non-skid in wet weather in the center of which are red concrete stars. Names of celebrities who made Hollywood famous are spelled out in brass.

Beneath the names are appropriate symbols — movie cameras for film stars, TV sets for video personalities, microphones for radio celebs and record players for recording stars.

As tourists stroll the wide sidewalks they are intent on reading the names, making for frequent and ill tempered collisions.

## River Improvement Said Not Advisable

Seattle — UPI — The Board of Engineers for Rivers and Harbors has reported that improvement of the Kootenai River in Idaho for flood control is not advisable at this time.

Army Engineers said the board, at a meeting Aug. 9-10 in Washington state, considered the report of the district Engineers from Seattle and Portland for improvement of the Kootenai.

The board agreed with the engineers' report that construction of the authorized Libby Dam or equivalent upstream storage would all but eliminate flood damages in the Kootenai flats area. Engineers also agreed that improvements to reduce flooding in the interim period were not economically justified.

## FLOWN TO HOSPITAL

Happy Camp—Robert Cretton of Happy Camp was taken to Sacred Heart hospital in Medford, Sunday, by Mercy Flights.

Promenading the walk, I spied an elderly gentleman clutching a bag of groceries execute a complicated and somewhat graceful adagio dance. It appeared to be a spontaneous expression of joy.

On closer inspection, the old gent had hit a stretch of walk that had been hosed down by the proprietor of a greeting card shop.

The greeting card dealer watched with interest until the man had regained his balance and continued on his way muttering threats about retaliation.

"I don't know about this walk," said the merchant. "They assessed the landlord to help pay for this thing. So far it hasn't helped business, but it probably will mean a raise in rent next year."

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