



# Dress for the Road, Not for Skid Row

## By Count Marco

I decided to take a tour by motor car, and I'm visiting not only Los Angeles but other areas, such as Arizona, New Mexico and Texas.

From what I've seen on my first day's drive, there are quite a few accidents on the road—including you American women. There is something about an automobile that brings out the worst in you, particularly if you desire to take a trip of more than a few miles away from home.

There was a day, unfortunately long gone, when women had special driving costumes. They were designed for travel, but also increased femininity.

Your costumes undoubtedly are created to decrease it. The further south I get, the more unbelievable you women get. And age does not seem to be a barrier either.

Some of you in the stumble and dodder age stagger into pub-

lic places in costumes which horror movie producers could well make a note of for future films.

The mother-daughter and grandmother outfits consist primarily of shorts and hair curlers, while others of you squeeze your flab into slacks that are far too tight and too short. You certainly give the natives hysterical sights as you stand there looking at their historical ones. Mon dieu! Femininity is indeed dead on the open road, and you American women have killed it.

When I see you in the restaurants and hotels I wonder: Do you ever glance at a full-length mirror, or are you like the legendary vampires who cannot see reflections of themselves in mirrors?

You tell me it is more comfortable to dress sloppily when motoring instead of wearing a dress. Perhaps so, but when there is a choice between being feminine and comfortable, a real woman chooses femininity every time.

Get up at least 15 minutes earlier than your husband or your family—if they're with you—comb your hair, put on a fresh scent and dress to look like you're going somewhere special, which presumably you are.

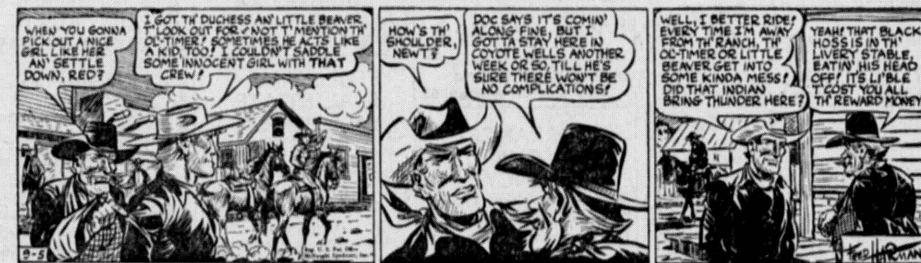
You'll find as a result that because you look so nice, you are nicer. And he is less snappy, because he is proud of you as he notices those horrors around him and compares, thanking his good fortune that you're not one of them.

The children will be much better behaved, too, because they react to parents' moods.

So dress for the road, rather than undress. You'll have a much better trip, and so will I. Happy motoring.

## RED RYDER

By Fred Harman



## Tammie Erickson Making Stage Debut on Sept. 15

Child actress Tammie Erickson of Torrance portrays a leading role in "On the Other Side of the Moon," the delightful comedy-fantasy due at the Chapel Theatre, starting Sept. 15.

Young Tammie is the daughter of Gordon Erickson, popular Southland designer. Although she is making her stage debut in the colorful children's fantasy, Miss Erickson is a protegee of famed actress Lucretia Tuttle, and has been a personal student of the star for nearly a year.

TAMMIE IS teamed with child star Mickey Edwards, who has appeared in "West Side Story," "Breakfast at Tiffany's," and in the title role of "Mad Dog Coll," portraying the complex character as a boy. Together they portray two timid inhabitants of a distant planet, visited for the first time by an Earthman.

The play romps through one

hilarious adventure after another, illustrating important messages against prejudices, vanity and kindness.

"ON THE Other Side of the Moon" will be seen at the Chapel Theatre, 4164 Pacific Coast Hwy. (in the Fish Shanty shopping center) on Saturday, Sept. 15, at noon and 2:30 p.m. and on Sunday at 1:30 p.m. It will be presented the following weekend with the same starting times. Admission is 75 cents for all seats.

The Walteria engagement follows successful showings of the fantasy hit in Hollywood and Beverly Hills, plus special engagements at children's hospitals.

## West High Slates Pupil Orientation

Orientation for West High School freshmen will be held at the school Tuesday at 8 a.m.

The program will consist of an assembly, individual pic-

## Von's Offers Ticket Plan

Officials of Von's and Shopping Bag markets announced this week that special reduced price tickets to the 13th Annual Home Furnishings Show are now available at the check-out counters at all stores in the chain. A 35-cent saving is provided to holders of these special tickets when presented at the box office of the Pan Pacific Auditorium during any day or evening of the Home Furnishings Show engagement. The special discount tickets are available only at Von's and Shopping Bag markets, it was announced.

The Home Furnishings Show is open from 1 p.m. to 11 p.m. and Von's and Shopping Bag tickets are good all days and evenings through Sept. 16.

THE REDUCED price Home Furnishings Show tickets are available free, according to company officials, who declared that no purchase is required to receive the tickets. A sufficient number may be obtained for each member of the family simply by asking at the checkstands in all Von's and Shopping Bag stores, it was disclosed.

The 1962 Home Furnishings Show is bigger and more beautiful than ever before in the 13-year history of the show. Visitors will see the latest ideas and innovations in home decorations and spectacular room settings that will be a delight to all. The show assures spectators a vast array of home furnishings and decorations that run the gamut from Period and Oriental to Modern and Contemporary. Show officials announced there will be a special Shopper's Bazaar to give the home decorator a fund of ideas for bringing new life to his home decor.

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By PETE HOFFMAN

