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### Vacation Highlights by The Old AAA Traveler



No visit to Boston is complete without the pilgrimage to Concord and Lexington. Here is the Minute Man memorial at one end of the "rude bridge that arched the flood". Here the Minute Men repulsed the British in April of 1775.

Out of Gloucester the fishing fleet sails and gulls wheel over the bluest water in all the world. Mountains are green and fruit trees are in full blossom. Salt breezes bring a healing peace to city-jaded nerves and all is well with this great country. It's early summer in New England... and that means ineffable beauty and a charm you'll find nowhere else.

Grand old Boston, of course, because that's the very hub of New England, but let's sort of wander the rest of that country, and leave the "city beans and coffee" for another time. Let's talk about Maine... and Vermont... and New Hampshire... the upper reaches of the area that has become world famous for its scenery... its fishing... its bathing beaches... its mountains... its quiet everything that the vacationist hopes.

New England is a paradise for the motorist. For in that area, he finds a combination of scenic and historic attractions that is beyond description. Rocky rugged coasts where the surf breaks into white spray, and miles of sandy beaches, where gently rolling breakers sing a sonnet of lullaby of peace and beauty. From the historic angle, this area is the birthplace of our nation. Its ports were the sanctuaries of the early explorers. Old houses show the marks of conflict as far back as the bloody King Philip's War.

The Berkshire rise in their magnificent beauty as a living invitation to rest and play. The White Mountains with their glorious "notches" and their intriguing waterfalls. The Green Mountains over in Vermont. Windy roads that lead you into peaceful forests and beside jeweled lakes that beckon you to linger.

Ah yes, New England in summer is a wonderfully appealing section for the vacationist. Imagine, if you will, the perfect picture of a crescent beach, its snowy sands packed hard by the pounding breakers... sunny sand dunes... in the distance a rocky promontory where the breakers roar and dash high into a cloud of white spray... "homey" little cottages with flower-filled gardens... white picket fences... a background of ancient trees.

Now... think of yourself high in the most beautiful mountains in North America... blue mists rising from the ravines... silvery waterfalls... twinkling their way down the rocky hillsides... winding trails through the silver birches and the emerald beauty that is spruce... golf, if you want it, and horses to ride if you want to leave your car for a few hours... and

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seen most of the beauty spots over the world described New Hampshire as the most consistently beautiful country of its size anywhere on the face of the globe.

Up in the northern section of the state you have famous Dixville Notch, called one of the most alluring spots in America, and when you have seen Mount Monadnock through the spruce trees you have looked at Michigan State College until June 25. Meeting in government sessions, and with local and state authorities, more than 1000 15-18 year old Michigan boys learned problems of statehood in actual practice. Gov. Leskee ran out of his own government on the first day of office by crossing a mythical county line and being declared "dead" by vigilant county officials. He presided over subsequent state sessions with unquestioned vitality after trial by the Supreme Court.

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**Sea of Darkness**  
The Western Atlantic was known as the "Sea of Darkness" before the time of Columbus.

And certainly Vermont is not without her historical appeal, for Vermont personalities... all the way from Ethan Allen to Calvin Coolidge have played their roles in making a great America. Plymouth, for instance, has become a definite American shrine since Calvin Coolidge died, and though each year makes the pilgrimage to the pristine white house in which he spent so many years.

Any time from now until late in the Fall is ideal for a New England tour. I mention late Fall because that part of the country after frost begins to appear in the early morning is a vast kaleidoscope of color as the leaves turn from green to red and brown and yellow... Fall flowers blossom... there is the blue haze of burning leaves over the countryside and the unforgettable perfume that goes with late summer and fall. Corn has been shocked into orderly lines... great golden pumpkins provide a real Thanksgiving touch... the natives begin to appear in their colorful mackinaws... and New England is swinging into its preparatory for the season of winter sports.

But whether you see it now, in the full glory of summer dress, or

see it in the Fall, when forests are aflame with color, by all means see some of northern New England.

### Boys' State Leader Hits Snag With Own Congress

A clean sweep by the Trojan "political party" elected, Jim Leskee of Marquette governor of the 11th Annual Wolverine Boys' State, in session at Michigan State College until June 25.

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### From where I sit... by Joe Marsh



### Pampered Farmers

If the folks in our town were less bored, they'd be really burned up over that nationally circulated article on "pampered farmers," describing them as living off the fat of the land.

From where I sit the farmer is anything but "pampered." It's better off today than twenty years ago it's because he's worked hard to improve the quality and quantity of his production.

Take Bert Childers, for example. Bert is up at four in the morning, to get the milking finished—and

ploughing or harvesting, depending on the season, until sundown. In the evening he finally relaxes with the missus over a moderate glass of beer.

And the farmer today's not only temperate in his habits, like Bert's evening glass of beer... but tolerant in his opinions. So he'll probably say of that article, "somebody got the facts wrong," and just let it go at that.

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