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Charles C. Hood, Jr., former seaman second class of the Navy received his discharge recently. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs.

Charles C. Hood, of Fairfax drive. He was in service for almost a year, being stationed at San Diego and Charleston, N. C. His plans include attending Michigan State College this fall.

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Autumn in Michigan—Riotous Coloring
From Irish Hills to Copper Harbor

By The Old AAA Traveler

It's the season of hazy blue smoke over the countryside, piles of golden yellow pumpkins along the highways, fields of shocked corn—and a general feeling of peace and plenty.

It's autumn in Michigan, the

hottest days of summertime vacations. Yes, Michigan is beautiful in the fall, beautiful from the Irish Hills in the southern edge of the state to Copper Harbor, at the tip of Keweenaw Peninsula, and from



Little cabins nestled deep in the woods now are in a framework of brilliant coloring as Fall paints the woodlands in reds and yellows and browns, the first warning of winter's approach.

most beautiful season of all in this state of all beauty, Sumac in deep red along the highways very like the flames of Indian ceremonial fires—a sort of healing peace after

the sand dunes along Lake Michigan to the Lake Huron shoreline of The Thumb.

Rich, Lusty Colors
A veritable spreading blanket of rich and lusty color—the Fall dress of maple and oak and ash contrasting with the bright green of the conifers. And a thousand lakes nestled among the rich coloration like turquoise and amethyst, and blue skies flecked with the white of the floating clouds.

Up in the Indian country around Harbor Springs and Cross Village the ancient ceremonials are being staged, the tribal rituals in which the Great Spirit is thanked for another year of life and food, and farmers are snuggling down their farms for the winter months.

The hunter is ready to take the field for the bountiful crop of game birds Nature gives Michigan year after year, and blue and red flowers along the country roads rear their heads bravely in their last parade until next year.

Beautiful Scenery
It matters not, in the least where you travel in Michigan you will find this magnificent parade of color. Down Adrian way, that country with a wealth of old maples breaks into golden-red glory. The Irish Hills are ablaze with color.

Up the western coastline, from Benton Harbor right into the Traverse area and on into Mackinac City, there is the same parade; through The Thumb there is a bit more hardwood and a richer brown in the woodlands.

Up through the center of the state, ranging from Oakland county northward to the Straits, there is the richness of the combination of willows and beech and ash and oak, with the added beauty of the conifers. The Upper Peninsula, with its pine forests, parades a still different coloration, no less rich and certainly no less beautiful.

Food Tastes Better Outdoors
Roadside parks—and they are legion over the state—literally beg you to pause for a roadside luncheon—beg you to light a fire and cook your food in the great outdoors. Stoves are there—and fuel.

And the smart lover of the outdoors will plan to do considerable cooking along the way, not in the main for his convenience, but because food cooked outdoors always has a taste found not in the swankiest restaurant.

But it is the color mainly which should make this fall travel unusually enchanting. Fields along the highways are in their last flowering of red and blue blossoms—the rumsic flames—and the highways themselves are dappled in the lacework of sunlight and shadow.

Summer Is Disappearing
The rush and flurry of summer has disappeared—it is a more leisurely world. Robins are assembled in little flocks, ready to begin their long flight southward. An occasional cock pheasant strolls across

the highway, brash fellow confident that he can best the hunter's gun.

In the upper reaches of the state you'll see a deer or so nibbling greens along the road, and it isn't unusual to see a black bear waddling off into the undergrowth.

Several Michigan areas run Fall color tours over plainly marked routes leading into the most beautiful vistas. This is notably true in Adrian, where color tours have been run in cooperation with Automobile Club of Michigan over recent years. Out of Muskegon are numerous so-called color routes, and the Bay City-Saginaw section parades some magnificent drives.

Tahquamenon Falls

The Upper Peninsula, of course, has gone in for color tours over a good many years, but in that area a drive in almost any direction is a color tour. One spot in the Upper Peninsula which is a beauty lover's dream come true is Tahquamenon Falls in the late fall, when that impressive waterfall, runner-up to Niagara, is framed in a setting of hardwood coloration difficult to describe in mere words. And the drive out Copper Harbor way is another unforgettable experience.

The Grand Traverse section is another ineffably beautiful area in the fall, especially Old Mission and Leelanau Peninsula, for both fingers of land are framed in the great expanse of blue water, and in that area there is the added interest of Indians and Indian ceremonials.

Indian Ceremonials
That, too, applies around Potoskey and Harbor Springs, for the Ottawas around Harbor Springs have just staged their highly colorful memorial for the sons of the tribe who didn't return from the war.

Almost time now among the Ottawas for the traditional Ghost Supper, one of the most ancient of their ceremonials, that strange festival in which the Indians feast from well-laden tables in a central spot and then return to their homes leaving much food for the feasting of the spirits of those who have died over the year.

Do the spirits feast on the earthly food? Well, the Ottawas will tell you that next morning the food left on the tables has disappeared! So—well, let's take a final whirl at seeing Michigan the Magnificent before snow falls.

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