

Summer Cottage-Is It Work or Pleasure For A Tired Mother?

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Many a mother, looking forward to a summer of relaxation at lake or mountain cottage finds that instead, she faces a season of hard work.

A mother who took the children to their nearby lake cabin but came into the city often, had two houses to keep up instead of one. The house in town needed frequent cleaning and when she returned to the lake home it was in a state of confusion. So she spent the summer running back and forth with mops and brooms.

She had to do something about it, so she virtually closed the house in town. She covered all the furniture, rolled up the rugs, and stored away dust-catchers, leaving only her husband's bedroom and the kitchen in working order. This eliminated almost all housekeeping in town.

Sometimes summer-cottagers have to take drastic measures to protect themselves against thoughtless friends and relatives.

A mother with three college-age youngsters, found out that she was keeping a high-class resort hotel. Daughters had been generous with invitations and sorority sisters and other assorted friends came in droves, ate mountains of mother's good food and even left wet bathing suits around to be hung out on the line.

So mother went on a strike. Whenever a horde of young folks descended on the cabin, she went to her room to rest, went swimming or into the city for the day. She was surprised how capable her children became. They shopped for groceries, cleaned the cabin and cooked some mighty fine meals. And the guests helped.

A young couple who loved to go to their hide-out for weekends had mentioned its joys to friends and relatives. They came by the dozens, and Young Couple's grocery bill soared to an all-time high. To say nothing of the stacks of laundry to be done every Monday.

Their remedy was to put a "kitty" near the door, where guests drop money to help pay the freight. Anyone who was shocked at this realistic procedure didn't need to come again.

A middle-aged couple who wanted rest more than anything, learned that friends both invited and uninvited dropped in at their cabin whenever the temperature went up in the city and that as hosts they were spending long hours cooking and washing. They put in a rural telephone and asked guests to phone before they came. When they did, they were tactfully asked to bring food. Sport visitors were bringing salads, cakes, meatloaves and hams—some brought their own sheets and towels.

All of these summer-cottagers were hospital people. They really wanted to share the pleasures of their outdoor life. But they also wanted to enjoy these pleasures. That's why they went to the expense of a lake cottage.

When mother finally realizes that her chief purpose in having a summer home is to do less work, it can be the most restful place in the world.

April Traffic Casualties at All Time High

Motor vehicle deaths, injuries and accidents in April reached new all time highs for that month and were sharply increased over April of last year.

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The state police shows 132 persons killed and 104 injured in 1952 reported accidents. This was an average of 161 casualties and 501 accidents each day.

Deaths increased 40 per cent over the 95 reported in April of 1951. Injuries were up 34 per cent over 3,521 and accidents up 29 per cent over 11,647. The greatest percentage of increase was in the rural areas.

THE RECORD for the first four months of this year shows 512 persons killed, 15,564 injured and 56,436 accidents, all increases over the first four months of last year.

The record indicates that 1953 will be one of the worst years in Michigan traffic history.

Estimated mileage for the first three months of this year, the latest information available, has 5.56 billion, an increase of eight per cent over the 5.16 billion in the same period last year. The death rate of 6.8 per 100 million miles of travel was also up eight per cent over 6.2 in the same period of 1952.

To some people the stars at night mean nothing, to the mystic a celestial light for guidance or, to the astronomer a mighty proof of the laws of order and harmony, set in motion by The Supreme Architects of the Universe. What are they to you?



THE Hq & Hq DET 307 ORDNANCE battalion, Pontiac, has been ordered to Summer Camp ORC training at Pueblo Ordnance Depot, Pueblo, Colo., the first two weeks of this month. Here Capt. Richard L. Featherstone, 593 Pierce and Capt. Cyril D. Duffy, 1252 Shipman, assist Sgt. Elwood H. Johnson of Rochester, Pfc George G. Isley of Farmington, and Pfc Thomas E. Coon, 2075 Manchester, in the checking of stock against records. (U. S. Army Photo)

NATURE NOW

Read Nature's Story In Michigan's Parks

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We were early on our way to Ludington State park to share in the annual camp-out of the Michigan Botanical club.

Our route led through Midland where lies that repository of minerals laid down by an arm of the ancient Silurian sea which covered the area some 375 million years ago.

In this basin its retreating waters slowly deposited the thick layers of limestone and later the salt and other chemicals which underlie our lower peninsula.

Route 10 continues north west through generally rolling farmland where the sun was bright on the green fields. At Chase we entered the Manistee National Forest, one of four such protected areas within our state. Along the roadside the bees were busy over a beautiful display of wild lupine.

In the forest openings the ground was covered with the various lilac shades of the bird-foot violet and the bright yellow-flowered puucoon of the Indian.

AS WE LEFT the forest we approached the town of Ludington. Built on the sand dunes, it provides a harbor for boats crossing Lake Michigan and is the center of a popular resort region dotted with rivers, trout streams and beautiful lakes. Here south of the harbor a great rustic cross marks the spot where Father Marquette, French Jesuit missionary, died in 1675.

frequently seen were the black-billed cuckoo, the water thrush and the long-billed marsh wren.

We had time to follow only one of the several marked trails. We chose the ridge trail which leads through the densest stand of the forest and eventually comes to its end at a bald eagle's nest.

EVEN IN early afternoon the shadows were deep on the leaf strewn path. Here and there a giant pine lifted its dark green crown above the surrounding beech and maple. The stillness was punctuated by an open bird calling loudly for "Teacher! Teacher! Teacher!" The notes of the wood pecker sounded plaintive and far away.

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