

Push Button and (Click!) Vacation Fun Preserved

Your summer vacation will no doubt produce many moments for remembering over the years, good times and eye-catching sights you want to tell your friends about when you return home.

If so, there's probably no better way to describe the fun you catch that once spot near your campsite, or other highlights of your vacation than with pictures, according to Conservation Department photographer Robert Harrington.

New Parents' Guild Chapter Is Formed

William D. Harrelson, M.D., president of the Michigan Association for Emotionally Disturbed Children (MAEDC), announced the formation of the group's eighth chapter recently.

The new chapter, the Parents' Guild of the Children's Orthopedic School in Detroit, will add some 100 new members to the state organization's movement.

MAEDC membership consists of parents and friends of emotionally disturbed children, and professional workers in mental health and special education.

The group's major goal is to help the drive to acquaint the public with the problem, facing an estimated 300,000 Michigan children and their families.

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NATURE NOW Water Cradles Many Varieties of Creatures

Wallace Lake: Here in the fast closeness of summer we dwell in a world apart. It is a day of clear skies and high winds. Now, in the afternoon the water is easily described by a word coined for the purpose: aqua marine.

It was cradled in water, and today it yet holds more species than all those combined which live on land. Minnows and water striders and beetles; all scurry away as we approach.

There is another world than ours, which holds strange living creatures in endless variety. They are big and little, swift and slow, strong and weak, graceful and ungainly, all are born to feed and to reproduce, to hunt and to be hunted, to strive for a livelihood and in so doing to fill a place in the household of nature.

EOONS OF time passed while all there was of life lay safely cradled in the water. The earth was not more than a mass of cooling rock inhospitable and uninhabited.

In contrast, creatures in the water were protected from sudden changes of temperature, from gusty winds, from lightning and thirst. They were bathed in constant food supply ranging from microscopic plankton to sizable life-forms.

But there came a far-off day when some of the life constantly cast up on the empty shore began to adjust itself to the land. This process was so slow that it is understood it must be viewed in large perspective.

SCIENTISTS believe that plants similar to lichens first gained a foothold on the bare rocks. In a process of water-loving algae and primitive fungi which at one time inhabited the water, these two life forms learned to live together in a symbiotic relationship as a single plant.

In this arrangement, food producing chlorophyll was provided by the algae which in turn was kept moist by the fungi. As these plants lived and died over the

centuries, they made the first solid upon which grew more complex forms such as mosses, horsetails and ferns.

ALL THESE reproduced by spores even as they do today. Finally came and went and finally in late Carboniferous times (some 250 millions of years ago) the first primitive seed plants were born on fern-like trees. The life of our modern seed-plants is less than a million years old.

Since many animals are nourished by plants, this latter life-form had already established itself on land when the first scorpion-like creatures gradually left their watery home to live on land.

These were followed by insects which trekked over the lush vegetation of the early swamps. The fossil record shows that some of these had a wing spread of two-to-three feet.

ALL LIFE, no matter how primitive or complex, and regardless of environment, must protect itself from heat and cold; from wind and rain and from rivals and enemies.

It must find food. Most important of all, it must reproduce itself, or its kind would soon vanish.

So as we look back through the dim corridor of time, we see how life progressed from the water to finally clothe the land with the myriad forms we have today.

One reason why Natural History is a fascinating study is because each species has its own way for solving its problems so that its kind may live.

Completes 6-Week ROTC Training
Birmingham Cadet Robert H. Tinker from Michigan State University, a long with 1,000 other ROTC students from 45 universities and colleges, has undergone six weeks of intensive training at the summer encampment at Fort Riley, Kansas.

The training program was a to substitute one of the requirements for a commission as a second lieutenant in the United States Army Reserve.

That is, you may even cut into it a little with the edge of your viewfinder. Photographers call this "cropping," says Harrington.

Cropping simply means that if, for example, you are taking pictures of people eating at a table, you don't back up and focus on the whole table but to get all the people in.

It would be better to stand high near one end of the table and shoot at lengthwise.

THEN YOU would be closer, the people would be bigger, you would be able to see the food on the table and there wouldn't be much wasted space filled with feet and unimportant background.

Moreover, the people wouldn't be hunched around to be seen by the camera, they could go right on eating and you could get a natural picture—the best kind of what you don't want in your pictures. In a forest scene, you surely wouldn't want to include telephone poles, wires and smokestacks in the background.

IN SHOWING your camping spot, straggle up the area a little first, straighten up the tent, but don't overdo it so much that things look unnaturally neat and spars.

Pictures should have a center of interest. Kids running toward the camera in the middle distance will often make an otherwise dull beach scene sparkle with human interest and action.

Your family overlooking the view from a scenic lookout will give depth and scope to the scene.

When taking distance scenes, try to get up in the air a little. This will raise the horizon line higher in your picture.

IN ANY case, a 2-to-1 rule to follow is to never have the horizon across the middle of your photograph.

He indicated that the Orthopedic School would continue, but that no group could ignore the entire problem and stay out of the statewide effort to meet it.

Other services needed are public school programs, out-patient services, hospital facilities, and supportive help to families.

Have Joe show his fish to someone with the lake in the background. Take a photo of Joe kneeling and looking at the fish near his pole and tackle box get as close as possible to the fish.

JUST A little thought produces a short picture series telling the story of Joe's fish much better than one photo of Joe standing just back on the dock and holding up his catch.

Share your vacation with your friends by taking the family camera along this summer. Don't forget the film.

STRICTLY FRESH
Every year anyone call a spade a spade when they're digging in dry ground with one?

Men may wear the pants in the family, but we'll bet

that some women chose the color.

The only thing that some guys do well in some offices is leave on time.

It's the space age in every way except in some of our wives' closets.

It's a Dream!

Ford Motor Company's newest styling dream car, the Seattleite XXI, is a unique six-wheeler incorporating many advanced concepts. Chief among them are the dent-mounted front-drive wheels and easy power package interchangeability. Ford stylists believe the four front-drive wheels would greatly enhance tracking, traction and braking efficiency.

The Birmingham Eccentric Features



Miniature rose opal jewels are one-inch flowers borne on low six-inch plants with dense green foliage. The tight little buds are a clean light rose pink and each petal that unfurls has a definite wavy appearance. This is an excellent variety because the flowers open slowly and the open flowers last a long time on the plant.

DOWN TO EARTH 'Little' Roses Gain In Local Popularity

By ALICE WESSELS BURLINGAME
Special Writer for The Birmingham Eccentric

Miniature roses have arrested the attention of many of our local fanciers. The buds are the size of your fingernail and the flowers are the size of a nickel. The plants themselves will be approximately six inches high. A thimble could hold six blooms.

With such small dimensions you might ask where could they be placed in our garden. Be sure and plan their placement being very near the house, in a rock garden is a perfect location.

YOUR WATERER has enjoyed them in the wintertime in the house. They have to go through dormancy outdoors until about Jan. 15, then they are brought inside and placed in a sunny window. Because they need plenty of moisture I would suggest a kitchen window and Mrs. Burlingame they will need frequent meals of fertilizer.

Summarize their value I would say that they are a novelty, they aren't expensive, and between you and me, if I am going to take care of a rose, I want it to be big enough to really see more than three feet away. You will enjoy forcing three or four plants just for the compliments from your friends.

PLANTS CAN be living sculpture. Overgrown trees and shrubs in an old garden often need major surgery to bare their trunks and cut down foliage masses.

"Trained and Sculptured Plants," by Thomas D. Church, nationally

known landscape architect, will tell you how to improve the appearance of a tree through pruning. This book is one of the superb dollar books published by the Brooklyn Botanical Gardens.

"First look non-subjectively at an old tree in your garden. Has its bulk become actually oppressive, has its weight overpowered the area? Has its shape become merely mass (the volume of foliage way out of balance with the volume of air space)?

"TRY FIRST lifting the foliage line by pruning off low, spreading branches. Then cut out all dead wood, plus branches which cross and grow together.

"Clear out the center a little more. It is pleasant to look up in a manner, trim English ivy into fancy forms, grow fruit trees as espaliered specimens, train indoor plants into artistic shapes and grow dwarf citrus trees in tubs.

THE PRIDE of accepting an invitation from this source to write about horticulture is a coveted privilege. These publications are shared with you all over the country at one of the lowest prices.

Planted safety can be realized on highways. Many of our local men are on national safety committees and are aware of the value of good highway planting.

WHEN PLANTS are placed in the median zone they screen out blinding headlights glare of oncoming traffic. Multiflora roses especially cushion car impact.

Good planting lessens driving fatigue on the highway by relieving monotony. Shrubs and trees delineate curves. Natural beauty is restored after major construction. Travelers on the expressways favor scenic landscaping. Plant material is economical as a factor in controlling erosion. Plants lessen noise and dust for those who live close to the highway as well as those who travel the road.

PLANTS OF ALL kinds are used to screen off unsightly views. Landscaped roadside rest areas easy, fast, and safe for the motorist and his restless passengers.

All of the above stated reasons emphasize the role of the highway for an appreciation of landscaping well done while traveling. This is truly functional landscaping.

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