

Around the World

with
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HAWAII—Mark Twain remembered them as "the loveliest fleet of islands that lies anchored in any ocean. No alien land in all the world has any deep charm for me but that one; no other land could so longingly and be-seechingly haunt me sleeping and waking through half a lifetime."

"Other things leave me, but it abides; other things change, but it remains the same. For me its balmy airs are always blowing, its summer seas flashing in the sun..."

"Could you give us an idea of costs—the lower the better—for a few weeks in Hawaii?"

I stopped off here on the way home from Japan. The desk clerk said: "Your wire asks for a medium-priced room. Is \$25 a day all right?"

What could I say? "Ouch!" You don't have to do this. A block or so from the beach, there are small apartment hotels. WITH kitchenettes. This is important. If you feed a family three times a day in restaurants, you are Dundee. Consider air fare: Last time I came out here, I bought a "coach" ticket—\$220 round-trip from San Francisco. I got a glass of champagne and luncheon. The man beside me had an economy ticket—\$200. He brought a box lunch. I imagine there was somebody under 22 aboard flying "youth fare"—\$150.

You can also fly first-class

with free cocktails and dinner chosen from a menu the size of a child's blanket. And don't knock it. It's living. But it costs \$285. ("The rich aren't really happy," my grandmother used to tell me. But I wondered.)

"Should we do the tour of the Outer Islands?"

I prefer the Outer Islands—Kauai is my choice. Waikiki is great for shopping. Great for restaurants. Great for night life. But it's a social ramble and hardly restful.

The big, booming beaches with surf piling up like sugar are the Outer Islands. (But if you are single) stick to Waikiki. It's where Boy Meets Girl.)

All the other islands are within 15 minutes to half an hour. There are even quickie tours that will take you to three islands, sightseeing, lunch and dinner and back to Waikiki in one day. (It sounds exhausting to me.)

"What do we need for

clothing? And does it get cold enough for a sweater?"

At Waikiki I can think of two restaurants and three hotels that ask men to wear a coat and tie. At night. For all others, it's aloha shirts for men, Mother Hubbard muumuus for women. Bring a light sweater. You'll probably never need it. But I've run into evenings on Kauai where I put on a jacket.

Don't buy clothing to come here. Buy it when you get here. The choice is staggering—price and quality. The Honolulu girls don't do much buying in the Waikiki shops. They go a few blocks toward town to the big Ala Moana shopping center. Prices are better.

"We thought of renting an inexpensive house in Honolulu..."

There may be inexpensive vacation houses. But the ones I see advertised are a thousand dollars a month or better. I did meet three college boys on Kauai who found a

place for \$100. Pretty run-down and the wind blew through the windows. But it's warm country. Recommended for kids, not for adults who are used to home comfort.

"... If it would be possible to camp as we are used to that?"

I've seen a lot of local people camping on weekends on the other side of this island. Oahu. And I saw three or four camping places on Kauai. Alongside wonderful empty sand beaches. "Camping Hawaii" (in the Honolulu phone book) rents completely equipped campers on all the islands. The prices looked reasonable for the camper. But then you have to figure renting a car.

Merlin Trapp, an electrician for the Torrance Unified School District, will attend a workshop on repairing motion picture projectors in Hollywood, Feb. 13 and 14.

Leaflet Explains Newest Social Security Changes

A new leaflet describing the improvements in the social security, signed into law by President Johnson on Jan. 2, is now on hand at the Torrance Social Security District Office, Miles A. Davis, district manager, announced today.

The leaflet, "Recent Improvements in Your Social Security," is available free of charge, Davis said, and may be requested by telephone or mail, or picked up at the social security office.

The more than 1,988,000 social security beneficiaries in California will be getting increases in their monthly payments, Davis pointed out. These increases, he said, will be included in the checks delivered early in March.

AS THE new leaflet indicates, beneficiaries do not need to take any action about the increase. It will come to them automatically. Another 38,000 residents of California are made newly eligible for monthly benefits by the new changes in the social security law, Davis stated. But they must make application to the social security office to get their benefits started.

The leaflet describes the group of people who will be eligible for payment beginning in March — if they apply promptly, Davis said. Among them are disabled widows between 50 and 62 years of age; the children of women workers who have died; the dependent husbands and widowers of women workers who have retired, become disabled, or died; and workers disabled before age 31.

THE NEW leaflet also out-

lines the improvements in medicare, the program of health insurance for persons 65 and over. Among the most important of these changes is:

- An older person need not pay his doctor's bill before claiming his medicare payment.
- Full payment can now be made for pathologists' and radiologist's services to medicare hospital patients; and
- A lifetime reserve of 60 days of inpatient hospital care to draw upon in addition to the 90 days already provided for each spell of illness.

RESIDENTS OF the Torrance area may obtain a copy of the new leaflet by calling the Torrance Social Security Office at 1408 Crenshaw Blvd.



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SMOKED, CENTER CUT
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THE REAL McCOY
BEEF SAUSAGE 39¢ lb.

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39¢ lb.
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SLICED BACON 59¢ lb.
SMOKED, CENTER CUT
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