

# Around the World

with  
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**SAN FRANCISCO** — When your plane arrives, 110 passengers get their baggage in the claim area all at the same time. I've striped my bags with colored tape. You get it in 10-cent stores — I use bright yellow.

Often a porter or somebody meeting me picks them up. I tell him: "So many pieces, all with yellow stripes." A lot faster than comparing claim checks with baggage tags.

Same helps in hotel lobbies during the big checkout hour. And for your own peace of mind. An airline's flight bags all look alike.

"We want to make a summer trip through New England with a few days in

**Washington, D. C.** How would you go about planning this to get the most out of it?"

I'd get the Travel Planning Kits put out by American Airlines at \$1 each. They have them for New England, New York, Washington, D. C., Chicago, Texas, Arizona, California, and Mexico. Write them at 633 Third Ave., New York, N.Y. Gives you hotels, restaurants and night life. How to pack, how to tip, best buys. Best I've seen for pre-travel planning.

"You have mentioned travel by camper in Europe. Do you know the costs?"

If you do this, you must rent (or buy) a camper for several months to spread the daily cost and make it worthwhile. A couple who corresponded with me lived and traveled this way for two years. Divided the total amount they spent for everything. It came to \$10.47 a day.

There are a number of ways to travel cheaply in Europe. Eurailpass gives you more railroad transportation than you can use at a flat rate. British railroads have flat rates as low as \$30 that take you all over England and Scotland.

England has farmhouses that take guests at low prices. You can get into a pension in Portugal for about \$7 a day for two, room and meals.

Youth hostels put you up for \$1 a day. Student hostels for \$2—and you don't always have to be a youth or student. (Many kids wrap up the breakfast cheese and a bun, and that's lunch.)

The Government-owned inns of Portugal (pousadas) and

Spain (paradors) are often better than the local hotels. And always cheaper.

In Mexico, bus travel is very cheap (But ride the first-class jobs. The second-class buses have second-class drivers. They're always going off the road, and the drop-off in Mexico is usually a thousand feet.)

It's hard to travel at low cost in the Orient. The way the local people live cheap, you wouldn't like. In Japan, youth hostels are a good bet. And Japanese inns — ryokans — are better and cheaper than Western hotels. (But you're going to wrestle with phrase books and the language.)

Cheapest air fare round-trip New York-Paris is \$250.

"Do you have a list of cooking schools in Europe?"

There's the Cordon Bleu and one other I've seen in Paris and one in London. I'd go to Government tourist offices for this information. I collect local cook books, too

Usually find them on newsstands in big tourist hotels.

Canada has a new, attractive cook book with some odd back country dishes. West of the Mississippi write Canadian Government Travel Bureau, 1 Second St., San Francisco. East of the Mississippi, write the same bureau, Ottawa, Canada. It's free. (They hope you'll go to the Expo 67 and the Centennial.)

"Do we need a special driver's license for Ireland and England?"

No longer. Your local license is good. You'll like it better if you know what towns you're going through and what happened there. For Ireland, "Ireland Travel Guide" is \$1.75 from the Irish

## Supervisor, Wife Make Japan Trip

Supervisor Burton W. Chace and his wife are in Japan this week attending the International Association of Ports and Harbors' fifth annual conference.

The conference began Monday and will conclude Friday. It is the first of its kind in Asia.

Chace and his wife, Polly, are making the trip at their own expense. They will vacation in Japan following the conference.

tourist office in San Francisco.

In England, I use the "Blue Guide." London book stores.

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## Exhibit Ducks

Two cinnamon-colored fulvous tree ducks, captured in the California desert, are being exhibited in the Flamingo Gardens collection of waterfowl at Marineland. The tree ducks come from the Imperial Valley.

## Attends Seminar

Otto Maon, supervisor of maintenance for the Torrance Unified School District, will attend a management and supervision seminar in housekeeping and sanitation in Los Angeles May 22 through May 24.

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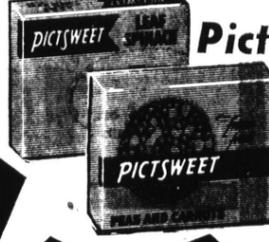
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