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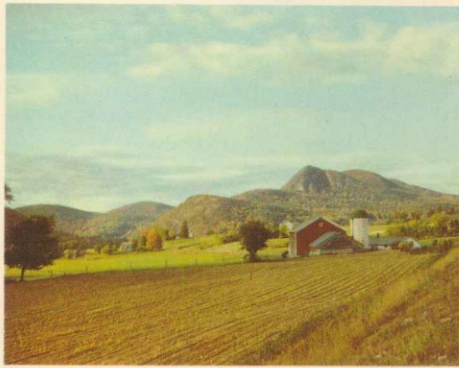
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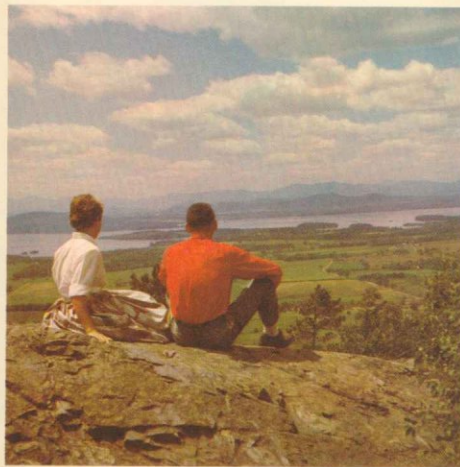
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May is apple blossom time. It marks the time of the fresh green spring foliage and the opening of the fishing season. There are many summerlike days, a pleasant time for touring.

FALL TOURS

Many thousands of people now enjoy the after Labor Day open roads of Vermont. Traffic is light, accommodations are uncrowded and in late September the glorious foliage for which Vermont is famous begins to appear, reaching its peak the first part of October. There are the comfortable days of "Indian Summer" accompanied by brisk nights. This is the popular time for the famous church suppers.

INFORMATION BOOTHS

In communities near main gateways to Vermont there are official information booths, approved by the Vermont Development Commission, where visitors can get up-to-the-minute information each summer about road conditions, things to see, routes, etc. The Highway Department issues periodic road condition maps to help travelers in avoiding construction. Weekly oiling bulletins are published in Vermont daily papers the first of each week. These are available at service stations, information booths, Chambers of Commerce, etc. There is an efficient Vermont State Police force on continuous duty ready to aid motorists.

Public Parks, Campgrounds and Forest Recreation Areas

STATE PARKS

(Number on Map precedes. Index location follows.)

- ALLIS** N-5
Picnic, Tenting, Lean-tos, Road to summit, Scenic Views, Caretaker.
- ASCUTNEY** Q-6
Picnic, Tenting, Lean-tos, Hiking, Paved auto road to near summit, Scenic Views, Geological interest, Caretaker.
- BRANBURY** O-3
Bath House, Swimming, Fine Beach, Picnic, Caretaker. (No Camping.)
- BRIGHTON** K-8
Bathing, Picnic, Caretaker. (No Camping.)
- CRYSTAL LAKE** L-7
Bath House, Swimming, Excellent Beach, Picnic, Caretaker. (No Camping.)
- D.A.R.** N-2
Picnic, Tenting, Lean-tos, Boating, On Shore of Lake Champlain, Caretaker.
- DARLING** L-8
Paved auto road to mountain top, Picnic, Tenting, Lean-tos, Hiking, Skiing, Geological Interest, Caretaker.
- DUTTON PINES** S-5
Picnic, Caretaker. (No Camping.)
- ELMORE** L-5
Bath House, Swimming, Boating, Fishing, Picnic, Hiking, Caretaker. (No Camping.)
- EMERALD LAKE** Q-3
Picnic, Camping (After July 1), Caretaker.
- GIFFORD WOODS** P-4
Picnic, Lean-tos, Tenting, Appalachian Foot Trail crosses park, Caretaker.
- JAMAICA** R-5
Picnic, Bathing (undeveloped).
- MOLLY STARK** S-4
Camping (After July 1), Caretaker.
- MONROE** M-4
Hiking, Bird Sanctuary (undeveloped).
- MT. PHILO** M-3
Picnic, Paved road to Summit, Scenic Views, Foot Trails, Caretaker. (No Camping.)
- ST. CATHERINE** Q-3
Picnic, Good Beach, Bathing, Caretaker. (No Camping.)
- ST. ALBAN'S BAY** K-3
Bath House, Marina, Swimming, Beach, Picnic, Caretaker. (No Camping.)
- SAND BAR** L-3
Bath House, Swimming, Boating, Picnic, Tenting, Fishing, Caretaker.
- SILVER LAKE** P-5
Bathing, Picnic, Caretaker. (No Camping.)
- WILGUS** Q-6
Picnic, Foot Trails, Caretaker. (No Camping.)

STATE FORESTS

- COOLIDGE (Pinney Hollow)** P-5
Picnic, Tenting, Lean-tos, Hiking, Scenic Views, Caretaker.
- COOLIDGE (Killington)** P-4
Skiing, Winter Caretaker.
- GROTON** M-6
Three Areas: Tenting, Lean-tos, Picnic, Fishing, Boating, Hiking, Caretaker.
- JAY PEAK** K-6
Hiking, Skiing, Winter Caretaker.
- MAIDSTONE** L-9
Bath House, Swimming, Picnic, Hiking, Fishing, Lean-tos, Caretaker.
- MT. MANSFIELD (Smugglers Notch)** L-4
Picnic, Tenting, Lean-tos, Hiking, Road to mountain top, Geological and botanical interest, Skiing, Chair Lift, Caretaker.
- MT. MANSFIELD (Underhill)** L-4
Picnic, Tenting, Lean-tos, Hiking, Scenic Views, Caretaker.
- OKEMO** Q-4
Skiing, Winter Caretaker.
- THETFORD HILL** O-6
Picnic, Scenic Views, Caretaker. (No Camping.)
- TOWNSHEND** R-5
Picnic, Tenting, Swimming nearby, Caretaker.

All developed state park and forest areas have fireplaces, good water, tables and sanitary facilities. For further information and illustrated folder, write the:

Department of Forests and Parks, Montpelier, Vermont.
FEES—Service and Maintenance fees at state parks and forests—50 cents per day per group of five persons or less, with or without car. Camp Sites — tent floors, trailers — \$1.50; Green Mtn. lean-tos — \$2.50 per day per group of five persons or less, with or without car. BATH HOUSE LOCKERS—10 cents per person. (All fees subject to change without notice.)
PARK HOURS—All of the state parks and forest recreational areas are open to the public between the hours of 10 AM and 8 PM during the summer season. Ski areas close at 5 PM.

GREEN MOUNTAIN NATIONAL FOREST

- GREENDALE** Q-4
Picnicking, Camping.
 - HAPGOOD POND** Q-4
Swimming, Camping, Picnicking, Nature Trail.
 - TEXAS FALLS** O-4
Picnicking, Improved Nature Trail to vantage point for view of Falls and Gorge.
 - WHITE ROCKS** Q-4
Picnicking, Nature Trail to Lookoff Point, Interesting to Geologist and Botanist.
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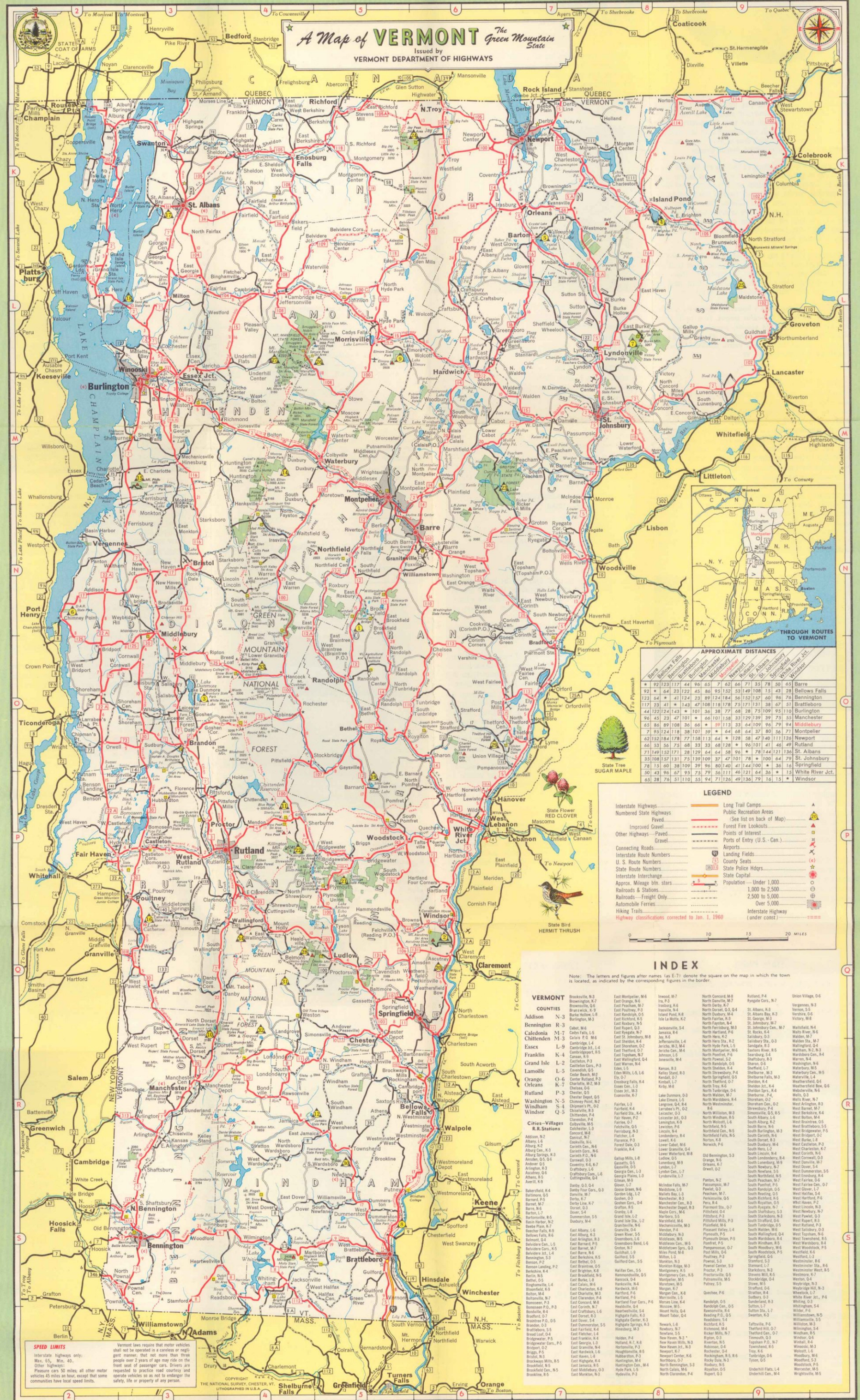
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APPROXIMATE DISTANCES

Base	Burlington	Montpelier	St. Albans	St. Johnsbury	White River Jct.	Windsor
Burlington	0	65	71	78	50	65
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LEGEND

- Interstate Highways (Red line with 'I')
- Numbered State Highways (Blue line with number)
- Other Highways - Paved (Black line)
- Other Highways - Gravel (Dashed line)
- Connecting Roads (Thin black line)
- Interstate Route Numbers (Red 'I' in circle)
- U. S. Route Numbers (Blue 'U' in circle)
- State Route Numbers (Black 'S' in circle)
- Interstate Interchange (Red 'I' in square)
- Approx. Mileage b/n stars (Star symbol)
- Railroads - Stations (Black line with cross-ticks)
- Railroads - Freight Only (Black line with cross-ticks)
- Automobile Ferries (Blue line with 'F')
- Hiking Trails (Thin black line with 'H')
- Highway classifications corrected to Jan. 1, 1960
- Long Trail Camps (Red line with 'C')
- Public Recreation Areas (Green area with 'P')
- Forest Fire Lookouts (Black triangle with 'L')
- Points of Interest (Black circle with 'I')
- Ports of Entry (U.S.-Can.) (Black line with 'E')
- Airports (Black circle with 'A')
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- County Seats (Black circle with 'C')
- State Police Hdqrs. (Black circle with 'P')
- State Capital (Black circle with 'S')
- Population - Under 1,000 (Small circle)
- 1,000 to 2,500 (Medium circle)
- 2,500 to 5,000 (Large circle)
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- Interstate Highway (under const.) (Red dashed line)

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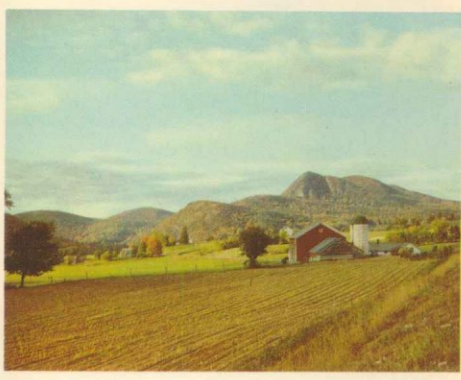
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March and early April bring "Maple Sugar Time". Ideal weather for good "runs" of maple sap is when there is thawing in the daytime with freezing during the nights.

May is apple blossom time. It marks the time of the fresh green spring foliage and the opening of the fishing season. There are many summerlike days, a pleasant time for touring.

FALL TOURS

Many thousands of people now enjoy the after Labor Day open roads of Vermont. Traffic is light, accommodations are uncrowded and in late September the glorious foliage for which Vermont is famous begins to appear, reaching its peak the first part of October. There are the comfortable days of "Indian Summer" accompanied by brisk nights. This is the popular time for the famous church suppers.

INFORMATION BOOTHS

In communities near main gateways to Vermont there are official information booths, approved by the Vermont Development Commission, where visitors can get up-to-the-minute information each summer about road conditions, things to see, routes, etc. The Highway Department issues periodic road condition maps to help travelers in avoiding construction. Weekly oiling bulletins are published in Vermont daily papers the first of each week. These are available at service stations, information booths, Chambers of Commerce, etc. There is an efficient Vermont State Police force on continuous duty ready to aid motorists.



Furniture, plywood and wide varieties of wood and paper products have found the highly skilled Vermont "craftsmen" easily adaptable. The incidence of home ownership among Vermont workers is very high. Their proximity to the four season recreation areas leads to a stability and turn over rate that is second to none in the United States.

A complete Directory of Vermont Manufactured Products is yours for the asking at any information center or from the Industrial Development Division, Vermont Development Commission, Montpelier, or at either of the Vermont Information Centers located at 1268 Avenue of the Americas, New York City or Laurentien Hotel, Montreal.

PLANT LOCATION SERVICES

The Vermont Development Commission is competently and adequately staffed to furnish you with complete packages on manufacturing cost comparisons; conduct research and arrange financing for any proposed plant

Public Parks, Campgrounds and Forest Recreation Areas

STATE PARKS

- (Number on Map precedes. Index location follows.)
- ALLIS** N-5
Picnic, Tenting, Lean-tos, Road to summit, Scenic Views, Caretaker.
 - ASCUTNEY** Q-6
Picnic, Tenting, Lean-tos, Hiking, Paved auto road to near summit, Scenic Views, Geological interest, Caretaker.
 - BRANBURY** O-3
Bath House, Swimming, Fine Beach, Picnic, Caretaker. (No Camping.)
 - BRIGHTON** K-8
Bathing, Picnic, Caretaker. (No Camping.)
 - CRYSTAL LAKE** L-7
Bath House, Swimming, Excellent Beach, Picnic, Caretaker. (No Camping.)
 - D.A.R.** N-2
Picnic, Tenting, Lean-tos, Boating, On Shore of Lake Champlain, Caretaker.
 - DARLING** L-8
Paved auto road to mountain top, Picnic, Tenting, Lean-tos, Hiking, Skiing, Geological Interest, Caretaker.
 - DUTTON PINES** S-5
Picnic, Caretaker. (No Camping.)
 - ELMORE** L-5
Bath House, Swimming, Boating, Fishing, Picnic, Hiking, Caretaker. (No Camping.)
 - EMERALD LAKE** Q-3
Picnic, Camping (After July 1), Caretaker.
 - GIFFORD WOODS** P-4
Picnic, Lean-tos, Tenting, Appalachian Foot Trail crosses park, Caretaker.
 - JAMAICA** R-5
Picnic, Bathing (undeveloped).
 - MOLLY STARK** S-4
Camping (After July 1), Caretaker.
 - MONROE** M-4
Hiking, Bird Sanctuary (undeveloped).
 - MT. PHILO** M-3
Picnic, Paved road to Summit, Scenic Views, Foot Trails, Caretaker. (No Camping.)
 - ST. CATHERINE** Q-3
Picnic, Good Beach, Bathing, Caretaker. (No Camping.)
 - ST. ALBAN'S BAY** K-3
Bath House, Marina, Swimming, Beach, Picnic, Caretaker. (No Camping.)
 - SAND BAR** L-3
Bath House, Swimming, Boating, Picnic, Tenting, Fishing, Caretaker.
 - SILVER LAKE** P-5
Bathing, Picnic, Caretaker. (No Camping.)
 - WILGUS** Q-6
Picnic, Foot Trails, Caretaker. (No Camping.)

STATE FORESTS

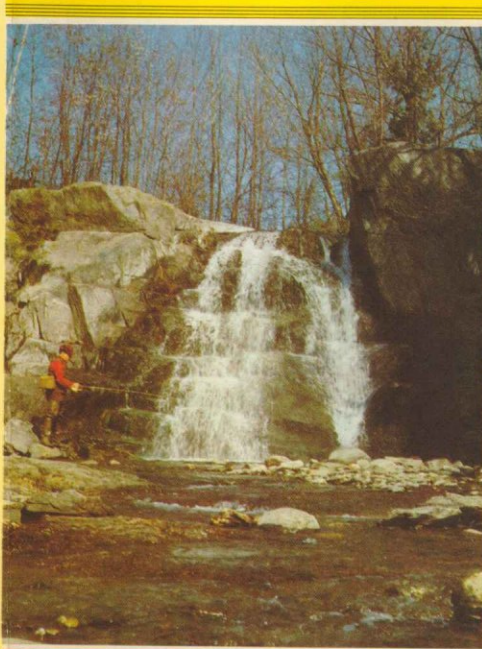
- COOLIDGE (Pinney Hollow)** P-5
Picnic, Tenting, Lean-tos, Hiking, Scenic Views, Caretaker.
- COOLIDGE (Killington)** P-4
Skiing, Winter Caretaker.
- GROTON** M-6
Three Areas: Tenting, Lean-tos, Picnic, Fishing, Boating, Hiking, Caretaker.
- JAY PEAK** K-6
Hiking, Skiing, Winter Caretaker.
- MAIDSTONE** L-9
Bath House, Swimming, Picnic, Hiking, Fishing, Lean-tos, Caretaker.
- MT. MANSFIELD (Smugglers Notch)** L-4
Picnic, Tenting, Lean-tos, Hiking, Road to mountain top, Geological and botanical interest, Skiing, Chair Lift, Caretaker.
- MT. MANSFIELD (Underhill)** L-4
Picnic, Tenting, Lean-tos, Hiking, Scenic Views, Caretaker.
- OKEMO** Q-4
Skiing, Winter Caretaker.
- THETFORD HILL** O-6
Picnic, Scenic Views, Caretaker. (No Camping.)
- TOWNSHEND** R-5
Picnic, Tenting, Swimming nearby, Caretaker.

All developed state park and forest areas have fireplaces, good water, tables and sanitary facilities. For further information and illustrated folder, write the: Department of Forests and Parks, Montpelier, Vermont. FEES—Service and Maintenance fees at state parks and forests—50 cents per day per group of five persons or less, with or without car. Camp Sites — tent floors, trailers — \$1.50; Green Mtn. lean-tos — \$2.50 per day per group of five persons or less, with or without car. BATH HOUSE LOCKERS—10 cents per person. (All fees subject to change without notice.) PARK HOURS—All of the state parks and forest recreational areas are open to the public between the hours of 10 AM and 8 PM during the summer season. Ski areas close at 5 PM.

GREEN MOUNTAIN NATIONAL FOREST

- GREENDALE** Q-4
Picnicking, Camping.
 - HAPGOOD POND** Q-4
Swimming, Camping, Picnicking, Nature Trail.
 - TEXAS FALLS** O-4
Picnicking, Improved Nature Trail to vantage point for view of Falls and Gorge.
 - WHITE ROCKS** Q-4
Picnicking, Nature Trail to Lookoff Point, Interesting to Geologist and Botanist.
- For illustrated folder or further information write Supervisor, Green Mountain National Forest, Rutland, Vermont.

OFFICIAL HIGHWAY MAP



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Yes, most people come to the Green Mountain State for two reasons basically: its people and its scenery.

That's not to say Vermont doesn't have other attractions. It does—plenty of them. It has golf courses, lakes, bathing beaches, camp and picnic sites, horse-back trails, summer theaters, ski areas, fine accommodations and excellent eating establishments. But so do a lot of places.

What is it, then, that entices so many thousands of people here each year from the other states and the provinces of Canada—what is it that makes a Vermont vacation so different from any other? Of course we can't be sure, but we like to think it is the beauty of our own brand of scenery and the individuality of our own brand of people. They're both something quite rare—and quite wonderful—in this world of ours.

It's the scenery you'll notice first. It's what most people think of when they have to describe America to a foreigner. It's the peaceful country of solid ranges, lively lakes, tidy farms tucked into the hills, quiet villages built with beauty, tranquil river-valleys flecked with cattle, strong-running brooks of blue and green. It's hard to believe this expansive countryside exists in today's world of neon and chrome and gaudy plastic, but it does. In Vermont. No wonder someone has said "Vermont is every American's second state". No wonder others have said it looks just like one big Christmas card the year 'round. No wonder Americans who have never been here actually have been homesick for Vermont.

But visitors are drawn back to Vermont by something more compelling than its charm, its miles of unspoiled scenery, its pride in its rivers, mountains, and lakes. It is the people of Vermont themselves.

There is some quality in these green hills that makes a Vermont just a little bit different from anyone else. Oh, not as different, perhaps, as story or legend would have you believe. Not every Vermonter you stop on the village common will be a man to regale you with Yankee wit, cuss the Government, and pay cash in advance for everything, including his coffin. But you will learn that there is just enough honest Vermont in every Vermonter to make the legend true; you will discover people in Vermont think and act, speak and live just a little differently from the way they do in other places. Maybe it's because—since the days men first came to these mountains—this has been the state that not only allows it, but expects it.

Perhaps you won't find these Vermont qualities attractive, but most visitors do. Take the Vermonter's traditional independence—some people call it cantankerousness. Take his frugality; some term it plain stinginess. Take his respect for his heritage, the beauty of his land; some people say he just doesn't want to change anything. Take his sense of humor; some people say it doesn't exist. We think it does; he couldn't live with his fellow Vermonters if it didn't.

Farmers—Richard I. Wright, left, and Robert L. Steiner, Jr., right, of Vershire, Vt., met in Persia where both worked for the U. S. Department of State. Mr. Steiner was born in that country where his parents were missionary-teachers, and was educated in the Mid-West where he met his wife, Sherry (shown in the background with two of their three children). Mr. Wright was born, grew up, and was educated in lower New England. Eight years ago, he and his wife, Pamela, and their four children, left government service; with little more than a love of the Vermont countryside, they started a poultry farm in the hill-town of Vershire, which Mr. Wright now serves as Moderator of Town Meeting, Lister (tax assessor), and Justice of the Peace. Later the Steiners joined them, and today the two men run a 16,000-hen egg and sheep operation with only part-time help. Although both the men continue their interest in the Middle East by participation in various organizations, both prefer the good family-life and advantages for themselves and their children a rural Vermont town offers. In this, they are not alone—Vermont has a high percentage of former foreign service personnel who, with no previous connection, settled here in the state. For the person who wishes to live in this country, yet live a little differently from the rest of America, Vermont has a special, undeniable appeal.

As a visitor you may not see all the physical manifestations of the Vermont character right away. You may not eat a church supper that will make you forget Parisienne cooking. You may not be sold a valuable antique for \$1.00 at a county auction. You may not witness a horse-pulling contest, sit in a town meeting, or be introduced to an official Fence-Viewer, Constable, Weigher of Coal, or Inspector of Wood, Lumber and Shingles.

But you won't be in the state very long before you discover the basic, enduring qualities that make up the Vermonter's life—whether he be native-born or one of the thousands of others who have come here as visitors and have chosen to remain as residents because of what they found here. A Vermonter places his way of life—his God, his family, his independence, his land and his heritage—above all other goals as he goes about the doing of a day's work. No one—at least of all himself—ever claimed living in Vermont is easy or without problems; but it is living to the fullest. And it is in the joys and reward of this way of life that he invites you as a visitor to join with him—if you have a mind to.

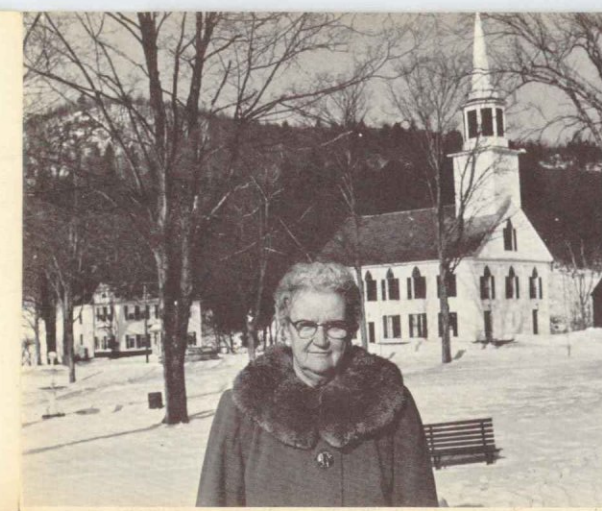
When, then, is the best time to visit Vermont? We could say "anytime", but it's not exactly true—it all depends on your interests.

Spring is certainly one of the busiest seasons. The annual ritual of gathering the maple sap from snow-covered slopes begins and ends. The farmers take to their greening fields, the wild flowers try out their scent, the upland orchards burn with pink fire, the game stirs again—and, of course, the fishing season opens. Now, too, is the time to seek out that summer and skiing residence. Because of a revolution in Vermont's agriculture, the value you can get in buying a comfortable country place is unbelievable when compared to prices in other areas.

Summer of course is the most popular season. It is when the full fare of village and state activities—festivals, fairs, suppers, concerts, theatres—can be sampled. And this is the time for the family-sportsman. The lakes and ponds are speckled with boats; the many state parks are filled with swimmers, hikers and campers; riding a proud-necked Morgan or portaging your canoe between sweeping rivers is at its best. So is lying in your hammock on a cool afternoon watching the mountains march to Lake Champlain, the tiny villages and farms riding like crests on a green wave.

Fall is Vermont's own season. There is nothing quite like it in the world. Not only are the colors of the turning leaves unbelievably varied, but the air has a snap and a crispness that brings thousands of people to Vermont each foliage season just to drive across the shimmering countryside and perhaps rumble through a covered bridge. (Yes, many of these stately structures are still in use, though on lightly-travelled back-roads.) The height of the foliage season will vary with weather conditions, but it is pretty safe to plan to come during the last week of September and the first two weeks of October. Bring your camera, and a basket for the MacIntoshes, Northern Spys, and the other tart-sweet New England apples that will be ready then. And better make your reservations for hunting season too, for the combination of Vermont hunting and Vermont cooking has long made the Green Mountain State a favorite place to get your deer, small game, and a few pounds overweight.

Winter of course brings out the skier with his boots, his boards, his wax, and his diamond-hard determination. Because of its dependable snow-fall, Vermont has been the East's leading ski state for many years, and each season sees new facilities open



Hunter—Mrs. Bernis H. Cobb, of Townshend Vt., is now in her 63rd year, yet continues to enjoy hiking, camping and especially hunting. For ten years, she spent summers living with her husband as a look-out on top of Stratton Mountain. Deer hunting is her favorite fall activity; at one time, she got six deer in seven years—a record any hunter can be proud of. Mrs. Cobb is a native Vermonter and serves Townshend as Post-mistress. Part of the charm of visiting any Vermont town is getting to know the various town officials—postmaster, town clerk, road commissioner, selectmen and the like. More often than not, they are people with interests somewhat out of the ordinary, as they are generally people somewhat out of the ordinary. The scene behind Mrs. Cobb pictured here is of the

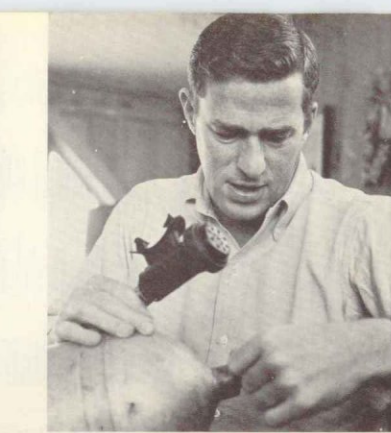
Townshend village-common. Townshend lies along the West River in Southeastern Vermont and is one of a series of villages stretching from Newfane to Weston that have been called the most beautiful villages in America by a number of authorities. These West River villages are famous also for the fact that the federal government sought to flood them completely by building a large dam at the mouth of the West River. Although having only a tiny number of inhabitants each, the villages banded together and fought with such determination that finally the project was defeated and a chain of smaller dams was built. Anyone who loves the beauty of an authentic early American village is very much in their debt—although this is not why they did it; they just liked their villages the way they were, dry.

up. But each year, too, more and more non-skiers are discovering the unique satisfaction of a Vermont winter vacation. The villages and countryside never look lovelier than under their heavy ruff of snow, and there is a sort of contagious frontier-spirit among these people who live so close to the weather.

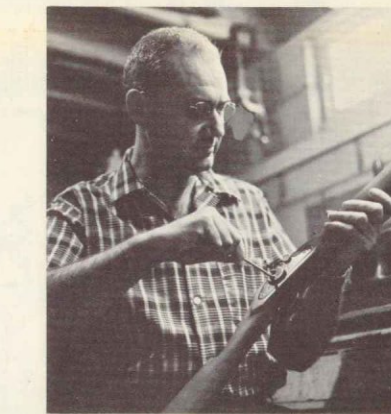
One thing above all surprises most new-comers to Vermont in the winter, people who for years have heard about the state's magnificent snow-fall: a Vermont winter is not a "hard" winter. Temperatures are not extreme, sunny windless days are frequent, and best of all, the roads are kept open. Not just the state roads, but most of the town roads as well. Vermont's excellent system of highways—so vital to dairy farmers and commuting factory workers as well as vacationers—is in good condition winter or summer. Vermonters plan it that way. That is why summer visitors often compliment us on the condition and design of our state highways; that is why winter travellers often say, "Let's go by way of Vermont; that's the way we know we'll get through."

But whether you plan to come in Spring or Summer, Fall or Winter, you can be assured of a warm welcome wherever you stop. Vermont is a small state, and serving visitors forms a very important part of our economy. That is why when we say, "We're glad to have you in Vermont", you can believe us. We do everything we can to make you want to come back again—if you liked us the first time.

The unique appeal of this little state tucked in a corner of New England cannot be described, but it cannot be denied. We hope you'll take the opportunity to come see for yourself what we've been talking about. Maybe you'll like us; maybe you won't; but in any event, we think you will agree when we say "Vermont is different".



Photographer—Hanson Carroll, of Norwich, Vt., is a free-lance photographer whose work has been represented in almost every major national magazine. Born out-of-state, Mr. Carroll and his wife live in Vermont—1, because they like it, and 2, because of the state's fantastic photographic potentials. Although he is sent all over the country on assignments, it is for his studies of Vermont people, its villages and its foliage that Mr. Carroll is best known. A sport he is particularly fond of is skin-diving with the Scuba equipment shown here. Therefore, underwater-photography is rapidly becoming a second Carroll specialty. In the rear of his restored, 165-year-old farmhouse, Mr. Carroll has bulldozed a swimming pool where he enjoys swimming underwater. With Vermont's many lakes and ponds available for public swimming, this may seem a little unusual, but then there is nothing like the conveniences of home.



Skilled Labor—Edmund D. Stowe, a native of Burlington, Vt., is employed as a tool designer at the IBM plant in Essex Junction. He lives in Canada where he serves on the PTA and is Chief of the Colchester Fire Department. His hobbies include a love of Northern Vermont's nearby outdoor-life—hunting, fishing and camping. But his most outstanding accomplishment is that of a gunsmith. All parts of the weapons he produces—stock, trigger mechanism, and barrel—are hand-made by Mr. Stowe. While his is perfected to an extraordinary degree, Mr. Stowe's proficiency is not unusual among the employees of Vermont industry. Such firms as IBM, General Electric, American Optical, Union Carbide and the famous Vermont machine-tool complex require the highly-skilled labor found here. Another outstanding feature of Vermont's labor is its extremely low "lost-time" ratio, ranking among the lowest in the nation according to federal statistics. Vermont's stable, productive labor force—made up of men who like the advantages of living year-round in a vacation land—is one of several strong reasons manufacturing concerns are moving to the Green Mountain State in increasing numbers.

Road Commissioner

J. Allen Dibbell, a life-long resident of Waterbury Center, Vt., has served as Road Commissioner of Waterbury Town for the past seven years. Road Commissioner is an elected officer responsible for the maintenance of all town roads. In some cases, the equipment is the personal property of the Commissioner; in others, such as in Waterbury, it belongs to the town. But in either case, the responsibility rests directly on the individual man—as it does even in the State highway system, with each patrolman being directly responsible for his section of the road. With over 40 miles of roadway in his charge, Commissioner Dibbell is on call 24 hours a day, and in winter, when the snow begins to fall, his plow begins to roll. During heavy snow-falls, Mr. Dibbell has been known to work 34 hours without stepping in or out to keep the roads clear for the milk-trucks and the skiers heading for nearby Stowe. This is the kind of a Road Commissioner to have—especially if you live out near the town-line.



VERMONT

Please write us fully as to your interests and questions concerning a Vermont trip. Various free state publications, including those devoted to state parks, hunting & fishing, skiing, meals & lodging, real estate & rentals, and a list of movies available without charge, may be obtained by contacting:

The Vermont Development Commission
200 State Office Building
Montpelier, Vermont
Phone CA 3-3465

You are welcome to visit our two regional offices:

IN NEW YORK CITY Vermont Information Center 1268 Avenue of the Americas (Next to Radio City Music Hall) Phone: CO 5-1450	IN MONTREAL Vermont Information Center Laurentien Hotel Phone: UN 1-0195
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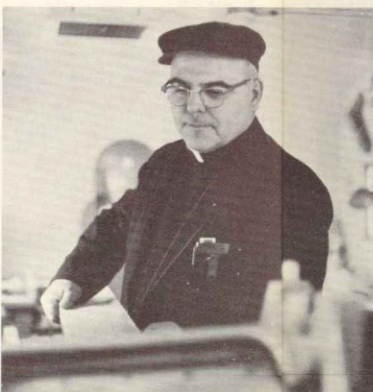
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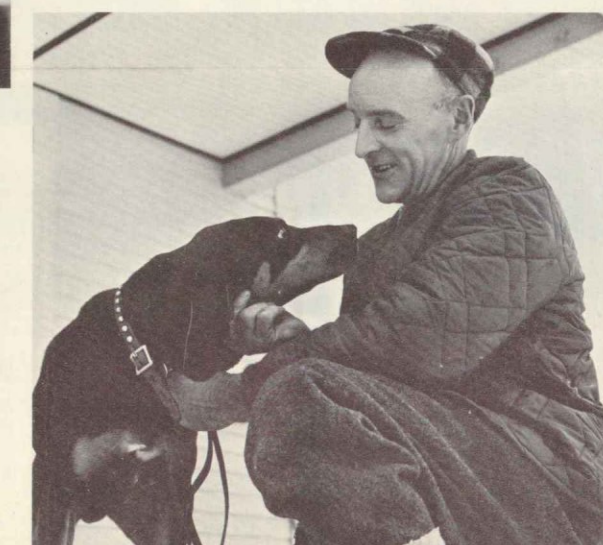
Model—The face of George A. Russell, M.D., of Arlington, is well known to millions of Americans as a subject for the paintings of famed Illustrator Norman Rockwell, a resident of Arlington for many years. At 81, Dr. Russell still carries on an active country practice in his Southern Vermont community. Born in Monkton, Vt., he left home at an early age and traveled for a number of years before returning here to get his medical degree at the University of Vermont in Burlington. He has practiced in the state since 1906 except for service in World War I, in which he was wounded and gassed. His hobbies are two—a devoted interest in the fine art of fly-fishing (the world-famous trout stream, the Batten Kill, flows through Arlington) and a collection of books and pamphlets about Vermont. This 13,000-item collection, and the building that houses it, he recently gave to his town.



Housewife—Mrs. Shirley Noble, of Salisbury, Vt., drives her town's school bus fifty miles a day during the school year, picking up, controlling, and delivering some 42 small passengers in the process. In addition, she keeps house for her husband, Bernard, an employee of the Salisbury Fish Hatchery and her four children who range in age from 12 to 4 years. Both Mr. and Mrs. Noble were born out-of-state; they moved to Vermont nine years ago, primarily because they felt it was the best possible environment to raise a family, and at the same time, a place both could enjoy the advantages of nearby hunting and fishing. On non-school days, that is.



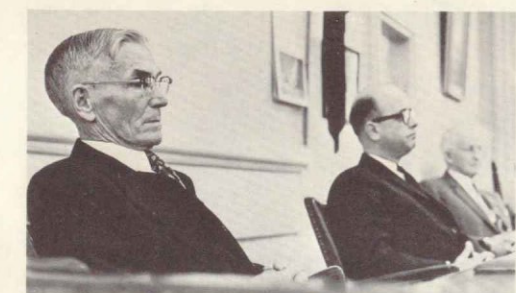
Developer—Father George O. St. Onge, of Richmond, Vt., was born in lower New England, but grew up in Quebec Province, Canada. To pay for his education as a priest, he supported himself as a welder, woodworker and tinsmith—skills he continues to employ as a hobby. Since he must be able to move at the wishes of his church, his current workshop (shown here) is outfitted in a house trailer. A recent project of Father St. Onge, in conjunction with other townspeople, was the complete rebuilding of the town fire-truck. But Father St. Onge is best known for his work in local development associations. A non-skier, he was extremely influential in establishing the mushrooming Jay Peak ski-area in nearby North Troy, and still serves as a director of that company. He also served as director and president of the Northeastern Development Association, and more recently has been the prime mover in establishing the Border Towns Development Association, which includes Richmond and three other small towns close to the Canadian border. Perhaps no other individual in Vermont represents the small town self-help spirit more than this imaginative, capable priest who has proven what even the smallest, most remote community can do for itself by capitalizing on Vermont's God-given natural resources.



Countryman—Levi Fowler of Plainfield, Vt., was born in nearby East Montpelier and represents a pretty old tradition in Vermont—a man living the way he wants to. An expert carpenter, Mr. Fowler says he "works for six months of the year and traps for six months". This latter activity means his getting up at 1 A.M. winter mornings to start for his trap-lines and not returning to his home until dark the next afternoon—a process that leads to a restricted social life, but has resulted in topping the state record for beaver pelts. Aside from the Black-and-Tan coonhound "Blackie", shown here, Mr. Fowler's family includes four children, eight grandchildren, and the most understanding Mrs. Fowler.



Teacher—Mrs. Ardelia T. Mack of Lower Graniteville, Vt., teaches 1st and 2nd grades in the Graniteville School. On afternoons and weekends, when not busy with housework or visiting her two children, she tends pump in the filling station owned by her husband, Frank. Born in Ferrisburg, Vermont, she has lived in the state all of her life. A special interest of hers is a study of Vermont's varied bird-life and rock-formations. To pursue these interests, she and her family often hike along the famous Long Trail, the foot path that bisects the state from Massachusetts near Pownal to Canada near North Troy. On its meandering route, the Long Trail passes through and near many of the state and federal parks and forests that dot Vermont. These extensive, well-planned areas, with their varied facilities for camping, boating, swimming, and hiking, are a constant source of pleasure for both resident and visitor alike.



Side Judge—Ralph P. White, a dairy farmer from Reading, Vt., has served as Assistant Judge of Windsor County since 1955. "Side judges" are an unusual Vermont legal institution, dating back to the days when the early settlers placed little faith in the judgment of the magistrates sent in by higher authority to try cases in their community. Under this system, two local persons, almost always laymen, are elected to sit in county courts along with the state-appointed legally-trained presiding judge who travels from county to county. Although they seldom use the right, the two side judges can overrule the presiding judge if they see fit. Mr. White is shown here in the Court House at Woodstock, his birthplace and a "shire town" (county seat) considered to be one of the most beautiful villages in America. On the bench beside him are Presiding Judge Rudolph J. Daley, of Newport and Assistant Judge Guy H. Cleveland, of Woodstock, an insurance salesman.



Artist—Roy A. Kennedy and his wife live in Underhill Center, Vt., where he pursues his career as a painter and sculptor. For a hobby, he does stone masonry and hand-fashions furniture. Born out of state, trained in New York and Paris, Mr. Kennedy moved to Vermont, because, among other reasons, he maintains it "is one of the last outposts of individuality". It probably is. Anyway, it is significant that a great number of people whose work allows them to live any place—writers, painters, craftsmen, talented people of all sorts—choose Vermont as their permanent home. Not only is the beauty here, not only is the way of life so unique and satisfying, but there is also a freedom-of-spirit such people seek. Which is well and good for the rest of the state, for an interesting neighbor is always an asset.



COUNTRY AND URBAN LIVING at its Best

GREEN MOUNTAIN LAND provides abundant vacation sites and countless opportunities for industry within a few hours drive of the large centers of population in the East — Boston, Providence, Hartford, New York, Philadelphia, Buffalo, Ottawa, Montreal, etc. With the completion of the Thruways Vermont is within about a day's drive of more distant points — Washington, Pittsburgh, Cleveland, Detroit, Chicago.

VERMONT is a main gateway to New England from the North and West. In this area of nearly ten thousand square miles there are innumerable mountains and hills, hundreds of rivers and mountain brooks and several hundred lakes and ponds, large and small. In many cases highways follow valleys, close to river banks with green clad hills on either side; other roads lead into the hills, off the beaten paths, to scenes of cozy, homey, rural living. Everywhere there are close-ups or distant views of friendly mountains.

Much road building has been going on and there is now an excellent hard surfaced system reaching into all parts of the State. Many secondary highways are surfaced, others are gravelled with dust-layer used in the summer. Then there are the so-called town roads for those who like to explore.

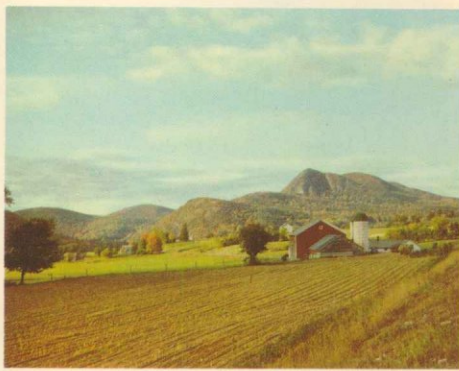
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VERMONT INDUSTRIES

Vermont industries are widely diversified, and the sizes of the manufacturing plants range from small artisan shops employing just a few people up to the world-famed industries employing hundreds. Highly skilled labor is prevalent in Vermont and is employed primarily in the machine tool, monumental, precision tool and electronics industries. In the last five years Vermont labor has been "discovered" by electronic industries as is exemplified by the three plants of General Electric and the International Business Machines operation.

The world's largest marble quarries are located in the Rutland-Proctor area. Located in the Barre area, are the world's largest granite quarries, stone from which is noted for its very high quality. 95% of the Nation's asbestos is mined near Eden. Limestone deposits are extensively worked in the northwest quadrant of the State — particularly in Plymouth, Proctor, Swanton and Winooski. Slate is plentiful and of high quality in the Fair Haven-Poultney area. Talc is mined in several places, chiefly Johnson, Moretown and Chester.

Vermont communities are more than anxious to help you locate with us. There are over 55 active industrial development groups in the state prepared to act as financial catalysts in any new building program. All inquiries are handled in confidence and in a professional manner.



VERMONT FARM PRODUCTS

(Revised as of Feb. 5, 1959)

Total Farms (1954)†	15,981
Dairy Farms (1954)†	9,930
Cattle Totals (1958)*	441,000
Milk Production (1957)* lbs.	1,766,000,000
Receipts — Dairy Products (1957)*	\$83,233,000
Receipts — Cattle & Calves Sold (1957)*	\$9,090,000
Eggs Produced (1957)*	192,000,000
Chickens on Farms (1958)*	986,000
Receipts — Eggs & Poultry Products Sold (Exclusive of Turkeys) (1957)*	\$8,463,000
Turkeys Produced (1957)*	107,000
Maple Trees Tapped (1958)*	1,954,000
Maple Syrup Crop (1958) (gallons)	567,000
Value of Maple Crop (1958)	\$2,250,000
Apple Crop (1958)* Bushels	1,070,000
Potato Crop (1958)* Cwt.	367,000
Farms with Electricity Available (1956)†	98.2%
Farms with Telephones (1956)†	76%
Total Area of State, Acres	5,937,920
Population (1950)†	377,747

† U.S. Census Figures
* U.S.D.A.B.A.E. and Vermont Department of Agriculture Figures

HISTORIC VERMONT

Vermont, having no coast line, was the last of the New England states to be settled. The Green Mountain area presented great hazards to the white men. It had been a favorite hunting and fishing ground for Indians and its valleys were routes for raiding parties from the North.

From time to time, hardy scouts penetrated this wilderness and returned to the colonies with stories of great forests, fertile lands, and magnificent scenery.

These founders of Vermont were of necessity self-reliant. Their independence of thought and action was marked from the beginning. While pressing for recognition of their rights, they organized a republic with a complete governmental set-up.

Traveling about Vermont, in villages and farm areas, one comes upon interesting examples of Colonial architecture, homes, churches, etc. Many old time structures, including covered bridges, have been preserved for posterity through the efforts of the Vermont Historic Sites Commission and by individuals notably, the Hyde Cabin in Grand Isle, the Coolidge Homestead in Plymouth and the Hubbardton Battlefield, the Bennington Battle Monument and museum, the Shelburne Museum south of Burlington on U. S. 7, and the treasures of the Vermont Historical Society in Montpelier are notable, but other collections should not be overlooked.

VERMONT INFORMATION CENTER IN N. Y. C.

The Vermont Information Center, next door to Radio City Music Hall, 1268 Avenue of the Americas, is competently staffed to handle inquiries on vacations, recreation, Vermont products, complete plant location service, agriculture, and all Vermont information. Come in or phone: COLUMBUS 5-1450.

Pictures by Orton, Vermont Development Commission.

HUNTING AND FISHING

Non-resident hunting and fishing licenses may be purchased from Town and City Clerks within the State. Fishing licenses may be secured also from sporting goods stores (3-day licenses only). Prices are reasonable for non-resident hunting licenses and for season, 14-day and 3-day fishing licenses.

Information on open seasons may be obtained from the places mentioned above, or from the Fish and Game Service, Montpelier, Vermont.

Spring and early summer offer the best trout and land-locked salmon fishing. Mid-summer and fall bring lake fishing and small mouth bass, pike, pickerel and pan fish; trout, too. Within Vermont's borders are innumerable fishing opportunities in 400 odd lakes and ponds and in the many streams.

Upland bird hunting is good in most sections in October. The waters of Lake Champlain are particularly popular among duck hunters each fall. During the open season on deer with three inch antlers, the recent average kill has been about 10,000 animals. Vermont also has a bow and arrow season on deer. A fish and game pamphlet will be delivered by the Town Clerk, when a license is obtained. For a copy of this pamphlet or for further information write the Vermont Fish and Game Service, Montpelier, Vermont.

OTHER SPORTS

Lake Champlain more than makes up for the lack of a sea-coast. It is noted for its spectacular sunsets and mountain backgrounds, scenic settings for resorts, cottages, camping areas and beaches. Large and small craft ply its waters. In addition there are over four hundred mountain-bound lakes and ponds.

The Long Trail extends along the mountain tops for over 250 miles. Many hikers take long or short walks on this seemingly wilderness footpath. Address Green Mountain Club, Rutland, Vermont.

There are over thirty golf courses in the State ranging from several of championship caliber to a very few of modest classification. These are well scattered so there is one or more within convenient driving distance.

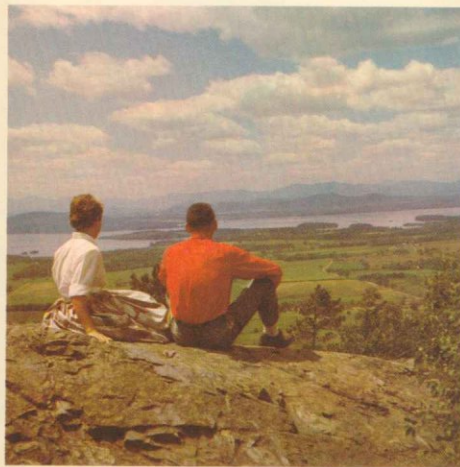
The vales and glens of the foothills are popular among horseback riders. Boys and girls camps, several resorts and riding clubs feature stables of good mounts. Write Green Mountain Horse Association, South Woodstock, Vermont.

Many retired people have found desirable living in the hills and valleys. Others with long vacations have established country homes for part-time use. Vermont is indeed a "Way of Contented Living".

KEEP VERMONT BEAUTIFUL!

Don't Be A Litterbug. . . .

TRAVEL TRASH Cans are placed at intervals along Vermont highways. Use them to deposit your trash.



VERMONT INFORMATION CENTER IN MONTREAL

A new Vermont Information Center to service the Canadian market has recently been opened cooperating with New Hampshire in the LAURENTIEN HOTEL. A competent, bi-lingual staff will handle inquiries on vacations, recreation, Vermont products, complete plant location service, agriculture and all Vermont information. Come in or phone.

WINTER SPORTS

Vermont winter sports are a major industry in the state with new ski areas being added and established ones being improved yearly. Today Vermont supports 30 major ski areas offering the best and latest in equipment, facilities and accommodations. There is just the right type of skiing available in Vermont for young and old, novice to expert.

The best snow conditions in the East for skiers are found along the Green Mountains from Massachusetts to Canada. Along the range the annual average snowfall reaches 120 inches. At lower elevations there are substantial snow depths. This means a long ski season.

Vermont's main and connecting highways are kept well plowed and sanded throughout the winter. Ski reports are carried in metropolitan papers and are available at travel centers in the Northeast, bus and railroad terminals, Vermont Information Center in New York and Montreal, Canada.

Throughout Vermont travelers find hospitable hotels, modern motels, tourist homes and roadside cabins. The stranger is assured of sanitary conditions through the unique inspection system of the State Department of Health. There are hundreds of housekeeping cabins for rent. The latter are for the most part on lake shores.



CLIMATE

Vermont lies in that area of the Northeast which is classed as "cool" for summer vacations. In any season temperatures are variable. There are few oppressively humid days during the summers and evenings are uniformly cool. Day time temperatures sometimes register in the 80s and rarely in the low 90s. Nearly every night thermometers will go down into the 60s.

Fall brings many comfortably warm days with crisp nights. Because of the bracing atmosphere and the light traffic on the highways, many take vacations in Vermont at this time. In the low lands snow usually comes in late November, but there is not usually sufficient accumulation for skiing until late December.

During winter months there are many comfortable "overcoat days". The cold is not as penetrating as in areas where there is more humidity.

March and early April bring "Maple Sugar Time". Ideal weather for good "runs" of maple sap is when there is thawing in the daytime with freezing during the nights.

May is apple blossom time. It marks the time of the fresh green spring foliage and the opening of the fishing season. There are many summerlike days, a pleasant time for touring.

FALL TOURS

Many thousands of people now enjoy the after Labor Day open roads of Vermont. Traffic is light, accommodations are uncrowded and in late September the glorious foliage for which Vermont is famous begins to appear, reaching its peak the first part of October. There are the comfortable days of "Indian Summer" accompanied by brisk nights. This is the popular time for the famous church suppers.

INFORMATION BOOTHS

In communities near main gateways to Vermont there are official information booths, approved by the Vermont Development Commission, where visitors can get up-to-the-minute information each summer about road conditions, things to see, routes, etc. The Highway Department issues periodic road condition maps to help travelers in avoiding construction. Weekly oiling bulletins are published in Vermont daily papers the first of each week. These are available at service stations, information booths, Chambers of Commerce, etc. There is an efficient Vermont State Police force on continuous duty ready to aid motorists.

Public Parks, Campgrounds and Forest Recreation Areas

STATE PARKS

(Number on Map precedes. Index location follows.)

- ALLIS** N-5
Picnic, Tenting, Lean-tos, Road to summit, Scenic Views, Caretaker.
- ASCUTNEY** Q-6
Picnic, Tenting, Lean-tos, Hiking, Paved auto road to near summit, Scenic Views, Geological interest, Caretaker.
- BRANBURY** O-3
Bath House, Swimming, Fine Beach, Picnic, Caretaker. (No Camping.)
- BRIGHTON** K-8
Bathing, Picnic, Caretaker. (No Camping.)
- CRYSTAL LAKE** L-7
Bath House, Swimming, Excellent Beach, Picnic, Caretaker. (No Camping.)
- D.A.R.** N-2
Picnic, Tenting, Lean-tos, Boating, On Shore of Lake Champlain, Caretaker.
- DARLING** L-8
Paved auto road to mountain top, Picnic, Tenting, Lean-tos, Hiking, Skiing, Geological Interest, Caretaker.
- DUTTON PINES** S-5
Picnic, Caretaker. (No Camping.)
- ELMORE** L-5
Bath House, Swimming, Boating, Fishing, Picnic, Hiking, Caretaker. (No Camping.)
- EMERALD LAKE** Q-3
Picnic, Camping (After July 1), Caretaker.
- GIFFORD WOODS** P-4
Picnic, Lean-tos, Tenting, Appalachian Foot Trail crosses park, Caretaker.
- JAMAICA** R-5
Picnic, Bathing (undeveloped).
- MOLLY STARK** S-4
Camping (After July 1), Caretaker.
- MONROE** M-4
Hiking, Bird Sanctuary (undeveloped).
- MT. PHILO** M-3
Picnic, Paved road to Summit, Scenic Views, Foot Trails, Caretaker. (No Camping.)
- ST. CATHERINE** Q-3
Picnic, Good Beach, Bathing, Caretaker. (No Camping.)
- ST. ALBAN'S BAY** K-3
Bath House, Marina, Swimming, Beach, Picnic, Caretaker. (No Camping.)
- SAND BAR** L-3
Bath House, Swimming, Boating, Picnic, Tenting, Fishing, Caretaker.
- SILVER LAKE** P-5
Bathing, Picnic, Caretaker. (No Camping.)
- WILGUS** Q-6
Picnic, Foot Trails, Caretaker. (No Camping.)

STATE FORESTS

- COOLIDGE (Pinney Hollow)** P-5
Picnic, Tenting, Lean-tos, Hiking, Scenic Views, Caretaker.
- COOLIDGE (Killington)** P-4
Skiing, Winter Caretaker.
- GROTON** M-6
Three Areas: Tenting, Lean-tos, Picnic, Fishing, Boating, Hiking, Caretaker.
- JAY PEAK** K-6
Hiking, Skiing, Winter Caretaker.
- MAIDSTONE** L-9
Bath House, Swimming, Picnic, Hiking, Fishing, Lean-tos, Caretaker.
- MT. MANSFIELD (Smugglers Notch)** L-4
Picnic, Tenting, Lean-tos, Hiking, Road to mountain top, Geological and botanical interest, Skiing, Chair Lift, Caretaker.
- MT. MANSFIELD (Underhill)** L-4
Picnic, Tenting, Lean-tos, Hiking, Scenic Views, Caretaker.
- OKEMO** Q-4
Skiing, Winter Caretaker.
- THETFORD HILL** O-6
Picnic, Scenic Views, Caretaker. (No Camping.)
- TOWNSHEND** R-5
Picnic, Tenting, Swimming nearby, Caretaker.

All developed state park and forest areas have fireplaces, good water, tables and sanitary facilities. For further information and illustrated folder, write the:

Department of Forests and Parks, Montpelier, Vermont.
FEES—Service and Maintenance fees at state parks and forests—50 cents per day per group of five persons or less, with or without car. Camp Sites — tent floors, trailers — \$1.50; Green Mtn. lean-tos — \$2.50 per day per group of five persons or less, with or without car. BATH HOUSE LOCKERS—10 cents per person. (All fees subject to change without notice.)
PARK HOURS—All of the state parks and forest recreational areas are open to the public between the hours of 10 AM and 8 PM during the summer season. Ski areas close at 5 PM.

GREEN MOUNTAIN NATIONAL FOREST

- GREENDALE** Q-4
Picnicking, Camping.
 - HAPGOOD POND** Q-4
Swimming, Camping, Picnicking, Nature Trail.
 - TEXAS FALLS** O-4
Picnicking, Improved Nature Trail to vantage point for view of Falls and Gorge.
 - WHITE ROCKS** Q-4
Picnicking, Nature Trail to Lookoff Point, Interesting to Geologist and Botanist.
- For illustrated folder or further information write Supervisor, Green Mountain National Forest, Rutland, Vermont.

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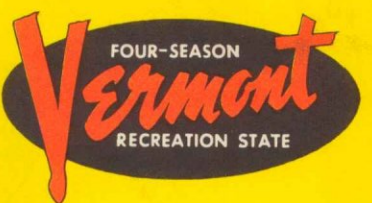


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people . . .

Yes, most people come to the Green Mountain State for two reasons basically: its people and its scenery.

That's not to say Vermont doesn't have other attractions. It does—plenty of them. It has golf courses, lakes, bathing beaches, camp and picnic sites, horse-back trails, summer theaters, ski areas, fine accommodations and excellent eating establishments. But so do a lot of places.

What is it, then, that entices so many thousands of people here each year from the other states and the provinces of Canada—what is it that makes a Vermont vacation so different from any other? Of course we can't be sure, but we like to think it is the beauty of our own brand of scenery and the individuality of our own brand of people. They're both something quite rare—and quite wonderful—in this world of ours.

It's the scenery you'll notice first. It's what most people think of when they have to describe America to a foreigner. It's the peaceful country of solid ranges, lively lakes, tidy farms tucked into the hills, quiet villages built with beauty, tranquil river-valleys flecked with cattle, strong-running brooks of blue and green. It's hard to believe this expansive countryside exists in today's world of neon and chrome and gaudy plastic, but it does. In Vermont. No wonder someone has said "Vermont is every American's second state". No wonder others have said it looks just like one big Christmas card the year 'round. No wonder Americans who have never been here actually have been homesick for Vermont.

But visitors are drawn back to Vermont by something more compelling than its charm, its miles of unspoiled scenery, its pride in its rivers, mountains, and lakes. It is the people of Vermont themselves.

There is some quality in these green hills that makes a Vermont just a little bit different from anyone else. Oh, not as different, perhaps, as story or legend would have you believe. Not every Vermonter you stop on the village common will be a man to regale you with Yankee wit, cuss the Government, and pay cash in advance for everything, including his coffin. But you will learn that there is just enough honest Vermont in every Vermonter to make the legend true; you will discover people in Vermont think and act, speak and live just a little differently from the way they do in other places. Maybe it's because—since the days men first came to these mountains—this has been the state that not only allows it, but expects it.

Perhaps you won't find these Vermont qualities attractive, but most visitors do. Take the Vermonter's traditional independence—some people call it cantankerousness. Take his frugality; some term it plain stinginess. Take his respect for his heritage, the beauty of his land; some people say he just doesn't want to change anything. Take his sense of humor; some people say it doesn't exist. We think it does; he couldn't live with his fellow Vermonters if it didn't.

Farmers—Richard I. Wright, left, and Robert L. Steiner, Jr., right, of Vershire, Vt., met in Persia where both worked for the U. S. Department of State. Mr. Steiner was born in that country where his parents were missionary-teachers, and was educated in the Mid-West where he met his wife, Sherry (shown in the background with two of their three children). Mr. Wright was born, grew up, and was educated in lower New England. Eight years ago, he and his wife, Pamela, and their four children, left government service; with little more than a love of the Vermont countryside, they started a poultry farm in the hill-town of Vershire, which Mr. Wright now serves as Moderator of Town Meeting, Lister (tax assessor), and Justice of the Peace. Later the Steiners joined them, and today the two men run a 16,000-hen egg and sheep operation with only part-time help. Although both the men continue their interest in the Middle East by participation in various organizations, both prefer the good family-life and advantages for themselves and their children a rural Vermont town offers. In this, they are not alone—Vermont has a high percentage of former foreign service personnel who, with no previous connection, settled here in the state. For the person who wishes to live in this country, yet live a little differently from the rest of America, Vermont has a special, undeniable appeal.

As a visitor you may not see all the physical manifestations of the Vermont character right away. You may not eat a church supper that will make you forget Parisienne cooking. You may not be sold a valuable antique for \$1.00 at a county auction. You may not witness a horse-pulling contest, sit in a town meeting, or be introduced to an official Fence-Viewer, Constable, Weigher of Coal, or Inspector of Wood, Lumber and Shingles.

But you won't be in the state very long before you discover the basic, enduring qualities that make up the Vermonter's life—whether he be native-born or one of the thousands of others who have come here as visitors and have chosen to remain as residents because of what they found here. A Vermonter places his way of life—his God, his family, his independence, his land and his heritage—above all other goals as he goes about the doing of a day's work. No one—at least of all himself—ever claimed living in Vermont is easy or without problems; but it is living to the fullest. And it is in the joys and reward of this way of life that he invites you as a visitor to join with him—if you have a mind to.

When, then, is the best time to visit Vermont? We could say "anytime", but it's not exactly true—it all depends on your interests.

Spring is certainly one of the busiest seasons. The annual ritual of gathering the maple sap from snow-covered slopes begins and ends. The farmers take to their greening fields, the wild flowers try out their scent, the upland orchards burn with pink fire, the game stirs again—and, of course, the fishing season opens. Now, too, is the time to seek out that summer and skiing residence. Because of a revolution in Vermont's agriculture, the value you can get in buying a comfortable country place is unbelievable when compared to prices in other areas.

Summer of course is the most popular season. It is when the full fare of village and state activities—festivals, fairs, suppers, concerts, theatres—can be sampled. And this is the time for the family-sportsman. The lakes and ponds are speckled with boats; the many state parks are filled with swimmers, hikers and campers; riding a proud-necked Morgan or portaging your canoe between sweeping rivers is at its best. So is lying in your hammock on a cool afternoon watching the mountains march to Lake Champlain, the tiny villages and farms riding like crests on a green wave.

Fall is Vermont's own season. There is nothing quite like it in the world. Not only are the colors of the turning leaves unbelievably varied, but the air has a snap and a crispness that brings thousands of people to Vermont each foliage season just to drive across the shimmering countryside and perhaps rumble through a covered bridge. (Yes, many of these stately structures are still in use, though on lightly-travelled back-roads.) The height of the foliage season will vary with weather conditions, but it is pretty safe to plan to come during the last week of September and the first two weeks of October. Bring your camera, and a basket for the MacIntoshes, Northern Spys, and the other tart-sweet New England apples that will be ready then. And better make your reservations for hunting season too, for the combination of Vermont hunting and Vermont cooking has long made the Green Mountain State a favorite place to get your deer, small game, and a few pounds overweight.

Winter of course brings out the skier with his boots, his boards, his wax, and his diamond-hard determination. Because of its dependable snow-fall, Vermont has been the East's leading ski state for many years, and each season sees new facilities open



Hunter—Mrs. Bernis H. Cobb, of Townshend Vt., is now in her 63rd year, yet continues to enjoy hiking, camping and especially hunting. For ten years, she spent summers living with her husband as a look-out on top of Stratton Mountain. Deer hunting is her favorite fall activity; at one time, she got six deer in seven years—a record any hunter can be proud of. Mrs. Cobb is a native Vermonter and serves Townshend as Post-mistress. Part of the charm of visiting any Vermont town is getting to know the various town officials—postmaster, town clerk, road commissioner, selectmen and the like. More often than not, they are people with interests somewhat out of the ordinary, as they are generally people somewhat out of the ordinary. The scene behind Mrs. Cobb pictured here is of the

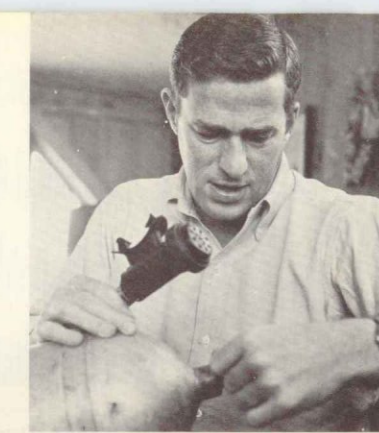
Townshend village-common. Townshend lies along the West River in Southeastern Vermont and is one of a series of villages stretching from Newfane to Weston that have been called the most beautiful villages in America by a number of authorities. These West River villages are famous also for the fact that the federal government sought to flood them completely by building a large dam at the mouth of the West River. Although having only a tiny number of inhabitants each, the villages banded together and fought with such determination that finally the project was defeated and a chain of smaller dams was built. Anyone who loves the beauty of an authentic early American village is very much in their debt—although this is not why they did it; they just liked their villages the way they were, dry.

up. But each year, too, more and more non-skiers are discovering the unique satisfaction of a Vermont winter vacation. The villages and countryside never look leveler than under their heavy ruff of snow, and there is a sort of contagious frontier-spirit among these people who live so close to the weather.

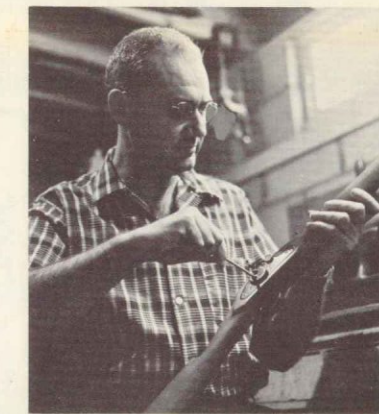
One thing above all surprises most new-comers to Vermont in the winter, people who for years have heard about the state's magnificent snow-fall: a Vermont winter is not a "hard" winter. Temperatures are not extreme, sunny windless days are frequent, and best of all, the roads are kept open. Not just the state roads, but most of the town roads as well. Vermont's excellent system of highways—so vital to dairy farmers and commuting factory workers as well as vacationers—is in good condition winter or summer. Vermonters plan it that way. That is why summer visitors often compliment us on the condition and design of our state highways; that is why winter travellers often say, "Let's go by way of Vermont; that's the way we know we'll get through."

But whether you plan to come in Spring or Summer, Fall or Winter, you can be assured of a warm welcome wherever you stop. Vermont is a small state, and serving visitors forms a very important part of our economy. That is why when we say, "We're glad to have you in Vermont", you can believe us. We do everything we can to make you want to come back again—if you liked us the first time.

The unique appeal of this little state tucked in a corner of New England cannot be described, but it cannot be denied. We hope you'll take the opportunity to come see for yourself what we've been talking about. Maybe you'll like us; maybe you won't; but in any event, we think you will agree when we say "Vermont is different".



Photographer—Hanson Carroll, of Norwich, Vt., is a free-lance photographer whose work has been represented in almost every major national magazine. Born out-of-state, Mr. Carroll and his wife live in Vermont—1, because they like it, and 2, because of the state's fantastic photographic potentials. Although he is sent all over the country on assignments, it is for his studies of Vermont people, its villages and its foliage that Mr. Carroll is best known. A sport he is particularly fond of is skin-diving with the Scuba equipment shown here. Therefore, underwater-photography is rapidly becoming a second Carroll specialty. In the rear of his restored, 165-year-old farmhouse, Mr. Carroll has bulldozed a swimming pool where he enjoys swimming underwater. With Vermont's many lakes and ponds available for public swimming, this may seem a little unusual, but then there is nothing like the conveniences of home.



Skilled Labor—Edmund D. Stowe, a native of Burlington, Vt., is employed as a tool designer at the IBM plant in Essex Junction. He lives in Canada where he serves on the PTA and is Chief of the Colchester Fire Department. His hobbies include a love of Northern Vermont's nearby outdoor-life—hunting, fishing and camping. But his most outstanding accomplishment is that of a gunsmith. All parts of the weapons he produces—stock, trigger mechanism, and barrel—are hand-made by Mr. Stowe. While his is perfected to an extraordinary degree, Mr. Stowe's proficiency is not unusual among the employees of Vermont industry. Such firms as IBM, General Electric, American Optical, Union Carbide and the famous Vermont machine-tool complex require the highly-skilled labor found here. Another outstanding feature of Vermont's labor is its extremely low "lost-time" ratio, ranking among the lowest in the nation according to federal statistics. Vermont's stable, productive labor force—made up of men who like the advantages of living year-round in a vacation land—is one of several strong reasons manufacturing concerns are moving to the Green Mountain State in increasing numbers.

Road Commissioner

J. Allen Dibbell, a life-long resident of Waterbury Center, Vt., has served as Road Commissioner of Waterbury Town for the past seven years. Road Commissioner is an elected officer responsible for the maintenance of all town roads. In some cases, the equipment is the personal property of the Commissioner; in others, such as in Waterbury, it belongs to the town. But in either case, the responsibility rests directly on the individual man—as it does even in the State highway system, with each patrolman being directly responsible for his section of the road. With over 40 miles of roadway in his charge, Commissioner Dibbell is on call 24 hours a day, and in winter, when the snow begins to fall, his plow begins to roll. During heavy snow-falls, Mr. Dibbell has been known to work 34 hours without stepping in or out to keep the roads clear for the milk-trucks and the skiers heading for nearby Stowe. This is the kind of a Road Commissioner to have—especially if you live out near the town-line.



VERMONT

Please write us fully as to your interests and questions concerning a Vermont trip. Various free state publications, including those devoted to state parks, hunting & fishing, skiing, meals & lodging, real estate & rentals, and a list of movies available without charge, may be obtained by contacting:

The Vermont Development Commission
200 State Office Building
Montpelier, Vermont
Phone CA 3-3465

You are welcome to visit our two regional offices:

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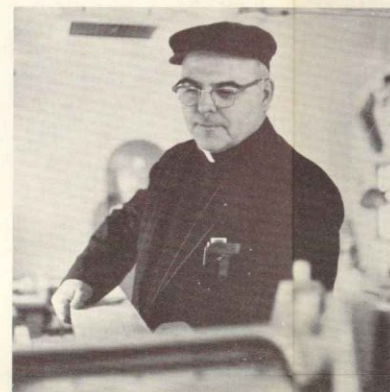
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Model—The face of George A. Russell, M.D., of Arlington, is well known to millions of Americans as a subject for the paintings of famed Illustrator Norman Rockwell, a resident of Arlington for many years. At 81, Dr. Russell still carries on an active country practice in his Southern Vermont community. Born in Monkton, Vt., he left home at an early age and traveled for a number of years before returning here to get his medical degree at the University of Vermont in Burlington. He has practiced in the state since 1906 except for service in World War I, in which he was wounded and gassed. His hobbies are two—a devoted interest in the fine art of fly-fishing (the world-famous trout stream, the Batten Kill, flows through Arlington) and a collection of books and pamphlets about Vermont. This 13,000-item collection, and the building that houses it, he recently gave to his town.



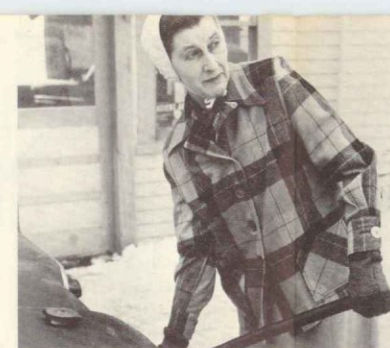
Housewife—Mrs. Shirley Noble, of Salisbury, Vt., drives her town's school bus fifty miles a day during the school year, picking up, controlling, and delivering some 42 small passengers in the process. In addition, she keeps house for her husband, Bernard, an employee of the Salisbury Fish Hatchery and her four children who range in age from 12 to 4 years. Both Mr. and Mrs. Noble were born out-of-state; they moved to Vermont nine years ago, primarily because they felt it was the best possible environment to raise a family, and at the same time, a place both could enjoy the advantages of nearby hunting and fishing. On non-school days, that is.



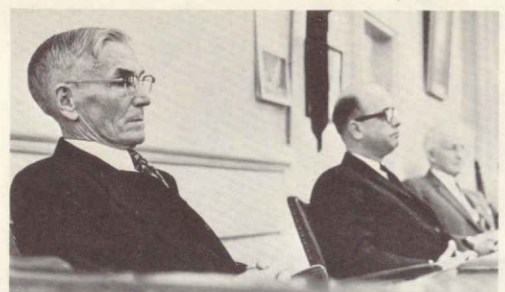
Developer—Father George O. St. Onge, of Richford, Vt., was born in lower New England, but grew up in Quebec Province, Canada. To pay for his education as a priest, he supported himself as a welder, woodworker and tinsmith—skills he continues to employ as a hobby. Since he must be able to move at the wishes of his church, his current workshop (shown here) is outfitted in a house trailer. A recent project of Father St. Onge, in conjunction with other townspeople, was the complete rebuilding of the town fire-truck. But Father St. Onge is best known for his work in local development associations. A non-skier, he was extremely influential in establishing the mushrooming Jay Peak ski-area in nearby North Troy, and still serves as a director of that company. He also served as director and president of the Northeastern Development Association, and more recently has been the prime mover in establishing the Border Towns Development Association, which includes Richford and three other small towns close to the Canadian border. Perhaps no other individual in Vermont represents the small town self-help spirit more than this imaginative, capable priest who has proven what even the smallest, most remote community can do for itself by capitalizing on Vermont's God-given natural resources.



Countryman—Levi Fowler of Plainfield, Vt., was born in nearby East Montpelier and represents a pretty old tradition in Vermont—a man living the way he wants to. An expert carpenter, Mr. Fowler says he "works for six months of the year and traps for six months". This latter activity means his getting up at 1 A.M. winter mornings to start for his trap-lines and not returning to his home until dark the next afternoon—a process that leads to a restricted social life, but has resulted in topping the state record for beaver pelts. Aside from his Black-and-Tan coonhound "Blackie", shown here, Mr. Fowler's family includes four children, eight grandchildren, and the most understanding Mrs. Fowler.



Teacher—Mrs. Ardelia T. Mack of Lower Graniteville, Vt., teaches 1st and 2nd grades in the Graniteville School. On afternoons and weekends, when not busy with housework or visiting her two children, she tends pump in the filling station owned by her husband, Frank. Born in Ferrisburg, Vermont, she has lived in the state all of her life. A special interest of hers is a study of Vermont's varied bird-life and rock-formations. To pursue these interests, she and her family often hike along the famous Long Trail, the foot path that bisects the state from Massachusetts near Pownal to Canada near North Troy. On its meandering route, the Long Trail passes through and near many of the state and federal parks and forests that dot Vermont. These extensive, well-planned areas, with their varied facilities for camping, boating, swimming, and hiking, are a constant source of pleasure for both resident and visitor alike.



Side Judge—Ralph P. White, a dairy farmer from Reading, Vt., has served as Assistant Judge of Windsor County since 1955. "Side judges" are an unusual Vermont legal institution, dating back to the days when the early settlers placed little faith in the judgment of the magistrates sent in by higher authority to try cases in their community. Under this system, two local persons, almost always laymen, are elected to sit in county courts along with the state-appointed legally-trained presiding judge who travels from county to county. Although they seldom use the right, the two side judges can overrule the presiding judge if they see fit. Mr. White is shown here in the Court House at Woodstock, his birthplace and a "shire town" (county seat) considered to be one of the most beautiful villages in America. On the bench beside him are Presiding Judge Rudolph J. Daley, of Newport and Assistant Judge Guy H. Cleveland, of Woodstock, an insurance salesman.



Artist—Roy A. Kennedy and his wife live in Underhill Center, Vt., where he pursues his career as a painter and sculptor. For a hobby, he does stone masonry and hand-fashions furniture. Born out of state, trained in New York and Paris, Mr. Kennedy moved to Vermont, because, among other reasons, he maintains it "is one of the last outposts of individuality". It probably is. Anyway, it is significant that a great number of people whose work allows them to live any place—writers, painters, craftsmen, talented people of all sorts—choose Vermont as their permanent home. Not only is the beauty here, not only is the way of life so unique and satisfying, but there is also a freedom-of-spirit such people seek. Which is well and good for the rest of the state, for an interesting neighbor is always an asset.

