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Camping days on famous Grand Lake Stream, Washington County

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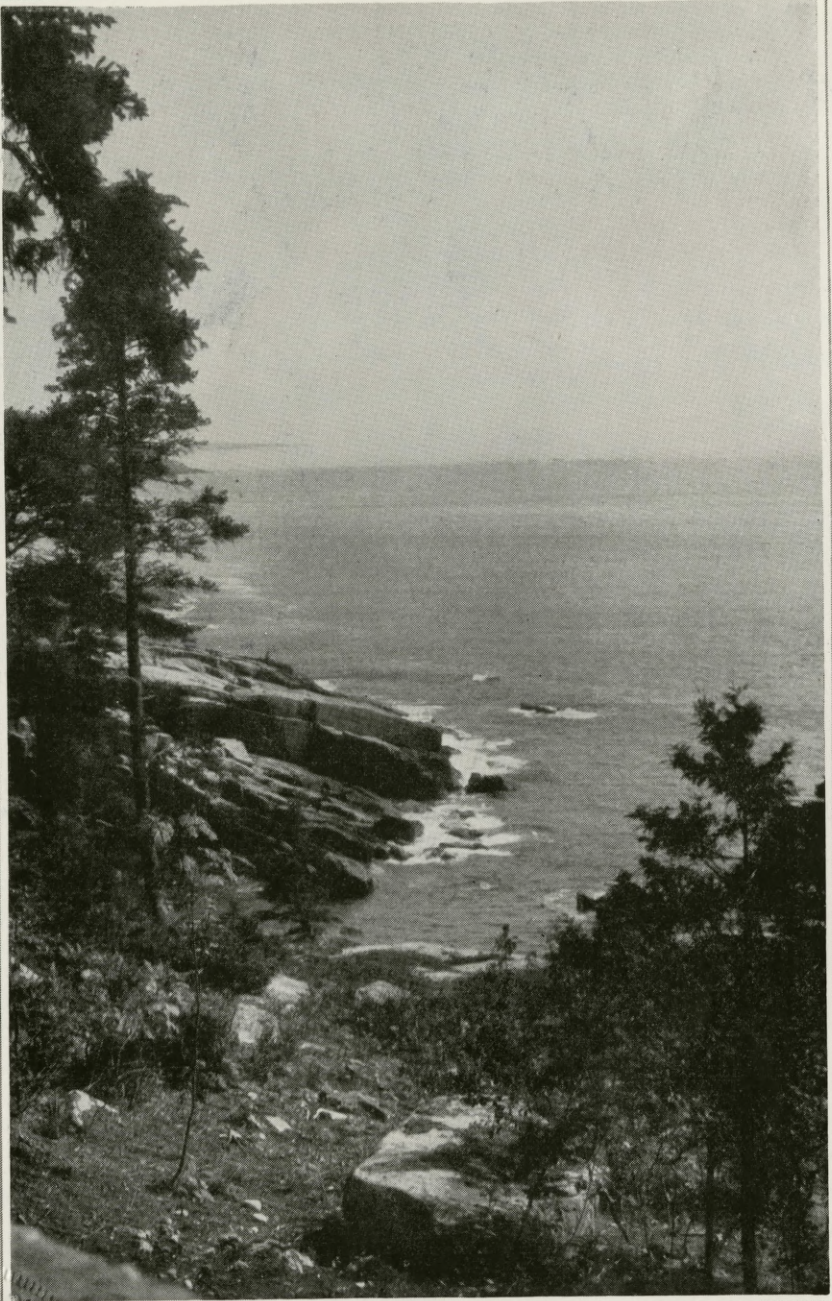
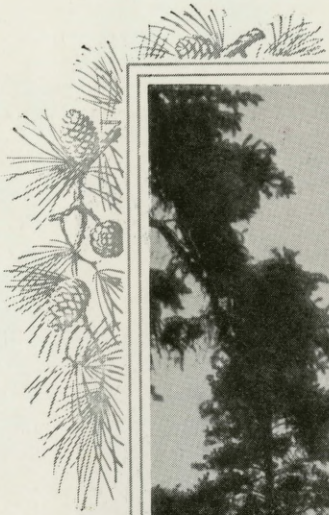
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Coast and sea meet in picturesque harmony along Maine's incomparable shore line. Blue waters of the Atlantic ceaselessly wash on granite ledge and the white surf thus formed makes a pleasing division line between forest, rock and sea.



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Romance in a Name

Some spots there are, whose very names, coupled in mind with by-gone history, mentioned continually in present day print, and lauded year after year by friends who visit them for rest, recreation or sport seem almost like fabled lands.

Maine, the Pine Tree State, is one of these.

It never disappoints in its endless variety of charm and its graciousness while entertaining the visitor within its borders.

Scenic Beauty

From shimmering white sea sand of gently sloping beach to the rugged crest of inland mountain; from placid lake waters to restless waves beating some off shore reef on the Atlantic; from sturdy outline of pine and spruce to the delicate tracery of birch, poplar or elm; from romantic forest trail first trod by Indian moccasin to modern concrete paved highways; from the bustle of hurrying cities to the tranquillity of rural village or fishing hamlet; in fact from one end to the other, Maine is a fascinating combination of enticement for the holiday seeker.

This little booklet goes out with the mission of inviting you to enjoy the glories of our State; to feel the warmth of welcome; to breathe the balsam laden air; to enjoy the fresh, almost radiant, green of our fields and forests; to bask in the sunshine of our skies; to bathe in our salt or fresh waters; to play as you like; and to make a reality for you of whatever pleasant vision you hold for vacation days.

The only way to know Maine is to see it for yourself, as thousands have done and will continue to do each year.





Mt. Katahdin from road near Pockwockamus Deadwater

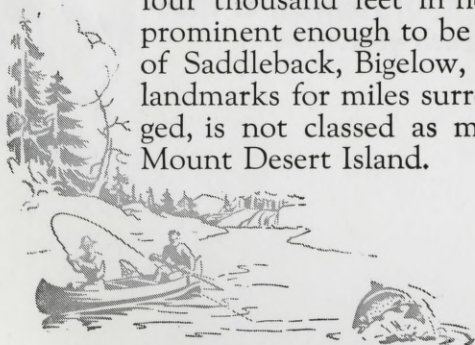
A Word Picture of Maine

Maine is the largest one of the New England States, having an area almost equal to that of all the other five combined, and forms the northeast corner of our national territory. New Hampshire lies on its western border, while the eastern and northern sides form the initial part of the International Border Line between Canada and the United States. The area of Maine is thirty-four thousand square miles of which, over three thousand are accounted for in fresh water area of lakes and ponds.

Generally speaking, the terrain is a gently rolling upland through which course the picturesque grooves of numerous river valleys.

Mountains add to Maine's Scenery

Although not universally known, the mountainous character of many portions of Maine compares favorably with that of any other state. In its western and northern portions are found ranges and clusters of peaks with occasionally one in rugged, isolated grandeur. Famous mile high Katahdin, the first spot in the United States to see the rising sun, lies near the geographical center of the State. There are a dozen other picturesque summits rising over four thousand feet in height and hundreds of lesser stature yet prominent enough to be designated by name. The mountain tops of Saddleback, Bigelow, the Spencers, Snow and Old Speck are landmarks for miles surrounding. The coast, while generally rugged, is not classed as mountainous except around Camden and Mount Desert Island.



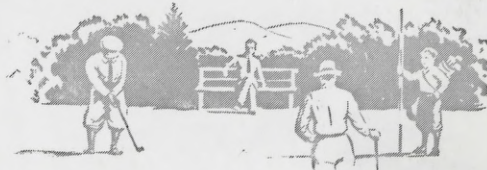


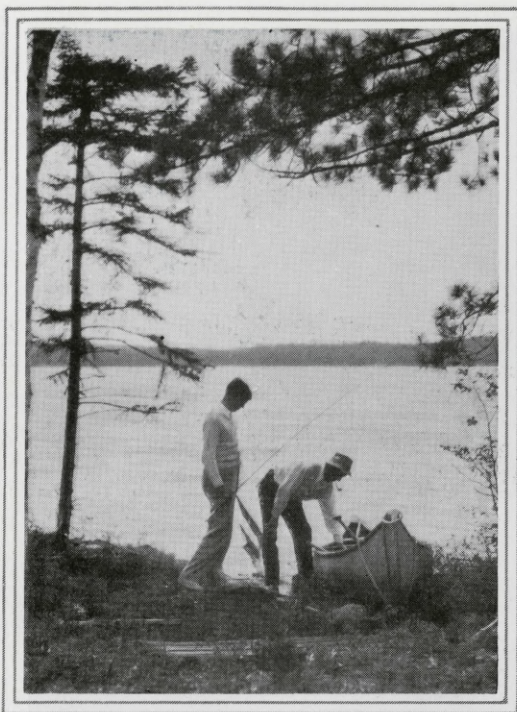
Mt. Katahdin from Togue Pond

Never Failing Rivers

No touch to the beauty of Maine is more soul satisfying than that given by its many rivers. From far distant sources they follow variable watercourses, hard to equal for sheer loveliness, winding through mountain steeps, past rolling settled acres and picturesque woodland, constantly augmented by purling brook or tumbling stream until they swell to size enough to bear on their bosoms rafts of wood and the floating craft of commerce or pleasure. They seem to hesitate here and there to turn wheels of industry then roll again onward, till they merge with tidal waters and help in floating commerce to many a world port.

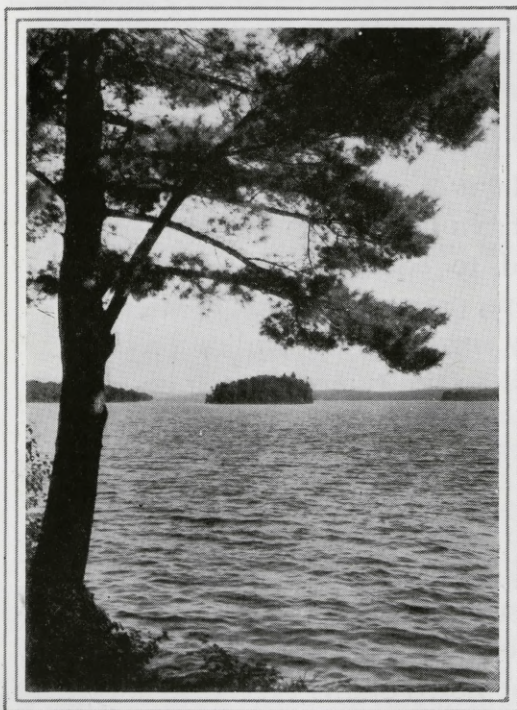
River developments are many and the visitor will take back impressions of sturdy concrete structures where electrical power plants generate thousands of electrical units for industrial and domestic use. Possibly the most noted one is on the Kennebec River at the Wyman Dam.





Waldo County provides charming lake waters

Enchanting vistas from Sebago shores



Through individualistic valleys the Penobscot and the Kennebec Rivers have served generations of man, also the winding Androscoggin with its dams from source to mouth: the romantic Saco starting far up in the White mountains and winding through a beautiful section to meet the sea at Biddeford: then those boundary streams, the Piscataqua, between New Hampshire and Maine; those international Rivers, the Aroostook and the St. Croix and a host of smaller streams among them the Eastern, Union, Damariscotta, the Sheepscot and St. Georges. All have never failed to serve, both by their power of flow and the definite touch that their sparkling waters give to the lovely maturity of nature at its best.

Lakes of World Wide Fame

Maine is a land of lakes. Hundreds, yes thousands of beautiful sheets of water lie scattered at random over the entire surface. Some are situated so they seem to nestle on mountain slope, others lie in pristine splendor within sound of oceans surging waves. Tree bordered, varying in shape and size, their sparkling waters when viewed from afar, seem like brilliant gems set in the landscape.

The shores of many hundreds of them harbor a multitude of cottages where resident and non-resident enjoy summer life at its best. Tents of campers dot the borders, at one time or another,

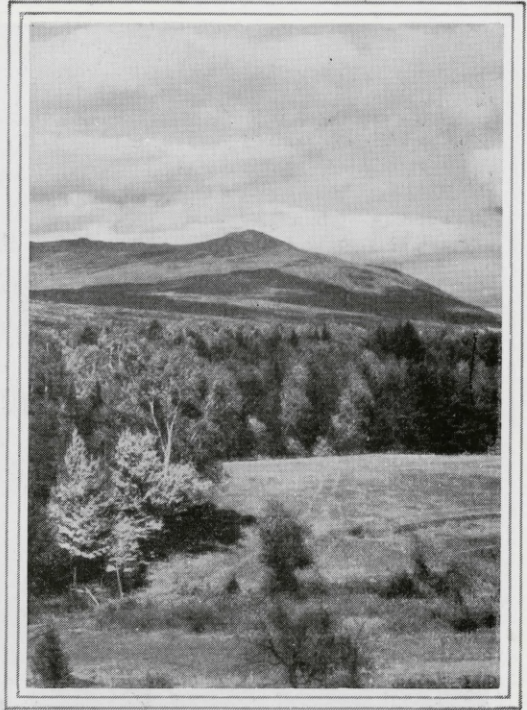


of nearly every lake in the State. So vast is the number of these inland bodies of water, that, visiting one each day, would consume a period of over six years in making a complete circle of calls.

Just think of the forty mile majestic spread of Moosehead Lake one of the largest bodies of fresh water within the confines of any one state; the birch bordered Rangeley chain over fifteen hundred feet above sea level; the noted Belgrades spreading over miles of country; easily reached, crystal clear, Sebago Waters, Pierce Pond, Parlin, Sebec, Chamberlain and the Allagash Waters, Katahdin Lake, The Fish River Chain of Lakes in Aroostook County, famous Grand Lake and the Machias Waters in Washington County, Meddybemps, Nica-tous—but space forbids what pen would note—each with distinctive environment, each different, yet each alike in holding that charm and allurements that only Maine waters possess.

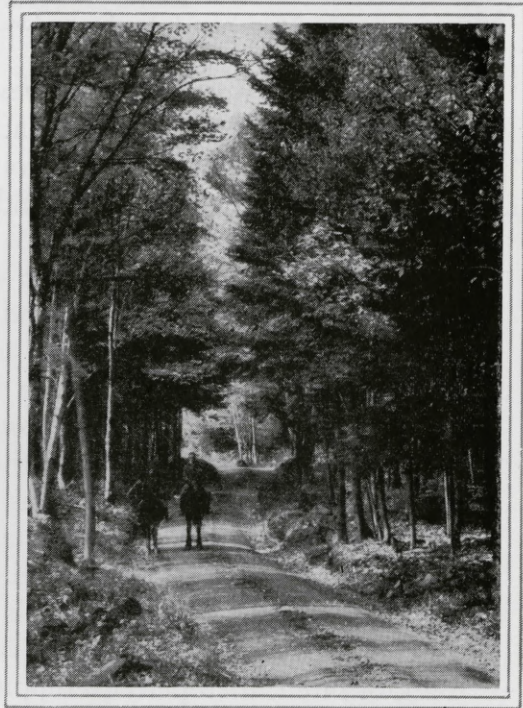
Forest Lands Span the State

Maine is well forested. The ample moisture of this latitude prevents the dry, burnt looking landscapes of many other states or regions and the forest growth is pleasantly green. In traveling the well cleared rolling lands one is never out of sight of wooded country and the charming way in which the “woods” come down to the very edge of lake and sea makes the State stand out in visitors’ memories.



Mt. Abraham seen from Madrid

Romantic woods trails tempt exploration





Maine's sandy beaches are ideal for sun and surf bathing

In the more northerly and westerly parts are vast areas of unbroken forests, one of the few places in the east where nature goes on untroubled by man. The grouping of trees either in forest or wood lot lends a picturesque and definite part to the charm of highway travel.

That glorious white pine from whose former abundance Maine derived its nickname is still found in scattered array but today the majority of coniferous growth is the sapling pine, spruce, fir, hemlock and cedar. The White birch is perhaps our most picturesque tree and reaches almost unbelievable beauty and grandeur. The yellow birch, with the beeches, maples, ash and oaks are prized for lumber as well as admired for shape and foliage. When we add the poplar, the larch, graceful elm and willow we begin to understand somewhat the charm of Maine's forests.

Romantic highways and trails lead through wooded country, threading their way beside tiny lake whose waters reflect snowy bark of birch, then perhaps dipping towards a velvety green background of clustered fragrant cedar, then onward through the mys-



Mackerel hit hard at bait or fly



Fresh sea foods available everywhere

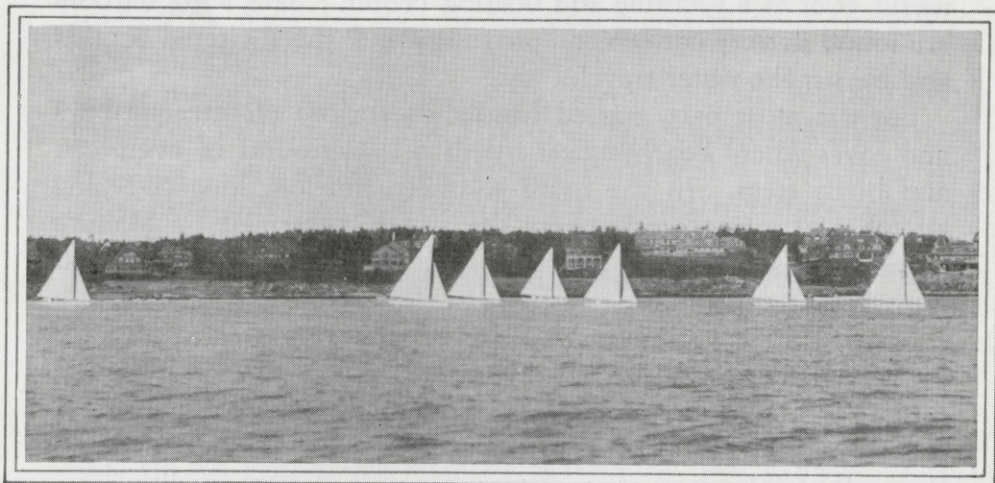
terious light filtering through towering pine branches and up to the levels where spruces intermingle with poplars and shapely "hard wood" trees.

The Atlantic Ocean

Maine has the longest coastline of any state in the Union. Measuring along the outline of its jagged coast with countless indentations it totals the immense distance of 2500 miles. Literally,



Clustering white sails of regattas dot the waters off Kennebunkport





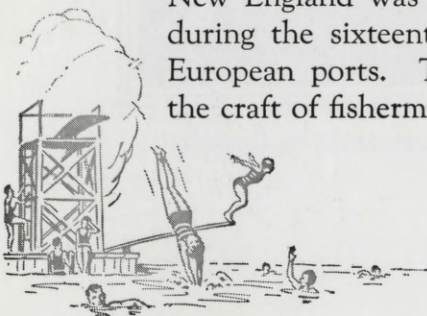
Fishermen's boats never fail to interest the visitor along Maine's coast

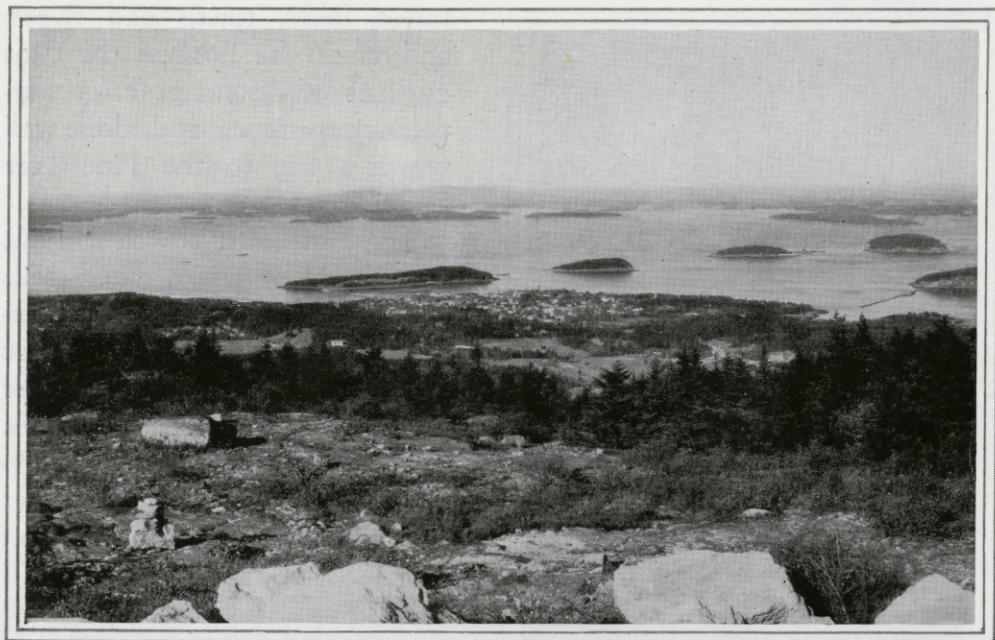
hundreds of islands are strewn off shore from Kittery to Quoddy Head, a large proportion of them famous as summer resorts. To mention a few like Isle of Shoals, the Casco Bay Islands, Southport, Squirrel Island, Monhegan, North Haven and Mt. Desert is but a start at naming those whose memory is dear to the constantly increasing hundreds of thousands of visitors to Maine.

Many navigable rivers empty their waters through beautiful bays and valleys and it is small wonder that the coast is famous the world over as a yachting and boating center. Safe, snug harbors are found in very convenient proximity and the sheltered sounds and bays make water travel a joy.

For the most part, rugged headlands enclose picturesque bays and coves where beaches nestle with a background of evergreen and birch trees. In the more southern portion, long sweeping stretches of white sand, where the water is warmed by Maine's glorious sunshine make sea, surf and sun bathing a unique and long treasured memory.

Shortly after Columbus' voyage of discovery this portion of New England was visited by English and French explorers and during the sixteenth century the coastal waters yielded fish for European ports. Today the fishing industry still flourishes and the craft of fishermen are a picturesque part of seashore life.





From Mt. Cadillac, Acadia National Park, broad panoramas spread on every side

National and State Parks

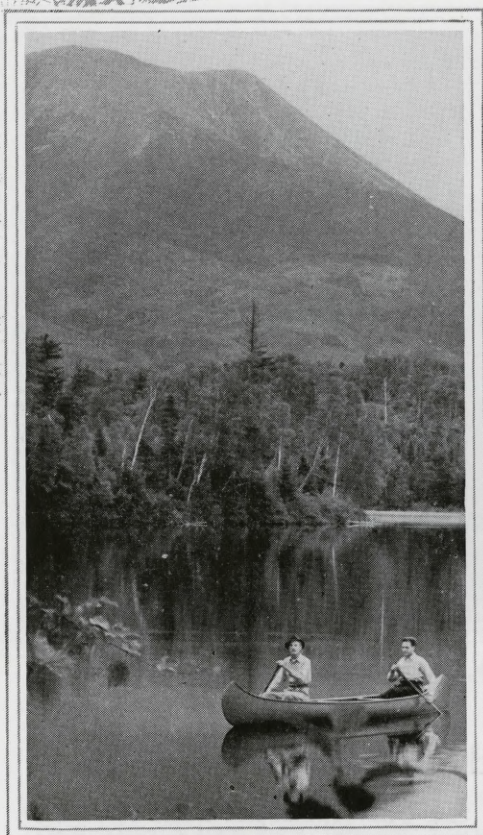
Maine has within its borders the only National Park situated on the Atlantic Coast. To perpetuate the beauties of combined mountains, lakes and ocean Acadia National Park is situated on a tip of Mt. Desert Island--easily reached, well highwayed, graphically different, it holds an almost magic spell.

Gracefully domed Mt. Cadillac and smaller attendant peaks rise out of the sea in splendid grandeur. The summit is comfortably reached by auto, by foot or horseback and then--incomparable panoramas unroll before the eye.

On the one hand, Frenchman's Bay extends far inland giving shelter on its shores to Bar Harbor -a famous gathering place of socialites from every quarter of the globe as well as picturesque little communities perhaps not so well known but fully equal in natural endowment.

Facing seaward, we find the blue waters of the Atlantic Ocean seemingly at our feet as they ebb and flow in fairest state, flecked here and there with dots of coastwise shipping. The shore line is vibrant with charm and embraces such noted little colonies as Seal and Northeast Harbors. Then if we let our gaze shift inland we see a gorgeous territory, spread out like a mosaic map,





Kidney Pond near Baxter State Park

forest, lakes, towns and rivers, and off on the horizon the faint outlines of distant peaks--a marvelous experience, and, alone well worth a trip to the Pine Tree State.

The Park itself is well laid out with roads, bridle paths and trails offering a variety of ways of exploring its inviting terrain, while the "Spring" and museum are meeting spots for a host of visitors.

Of State Parks there are several. The most notable is Baxter Park which includes the summit and most of the expanse of Mt. Katahdin. Then there are State Reservations at Popham Beach, Fort McClary at Kittery, Fort Edgecomb at Wiscasset and Fort Knox on the shores of the Penobscot within sight of the Hancock Bridge and town of Bucksport.

The Knife Edge, Mt. Katahdin, Baxter State Park



Most of our State Parks commemorate historic events or sites definitely connected with the first development of the commonwealth.

Many visitors make a point of visiting all such Parks and State Reservations and, in so doing, unconsciously lay out a travel route that opens to them contacts with many of the most charming spots in Maine.

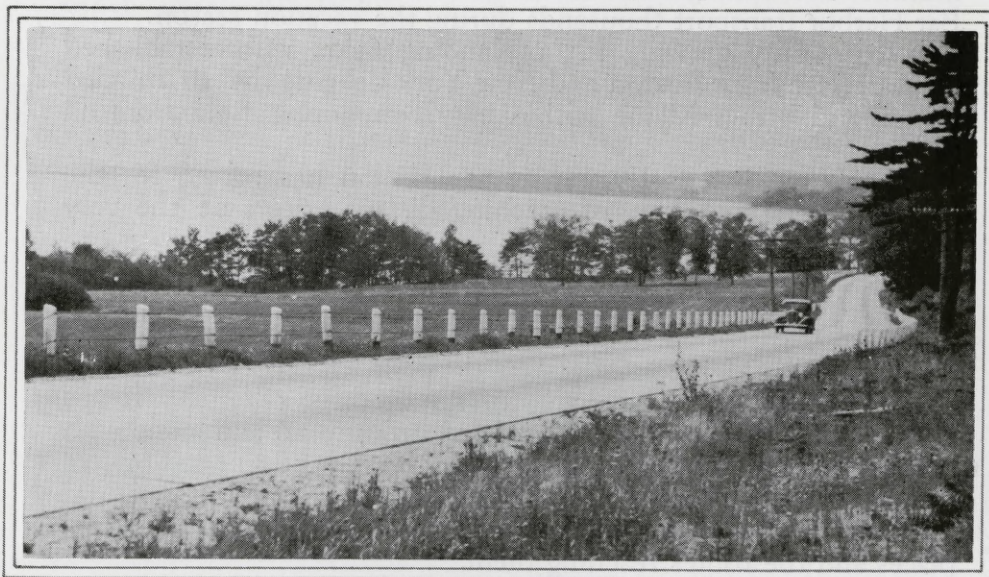
Transportation

Maine's attractions are easily reached. Railroad systems with through schedules from Boston, New York, Washington and western centers are supplemented by reliable bus lines in reaching the great majority of towns and resorts. A well planned and carefully maintained network of State highways with a host of improved and numbered "feeder" routes give the motorist the "freedom of the State."



Happy crowds throng excursion craft

U. S. Highway No. 1 skirts the coast, affording unsurpassed scenery





Half the people in the nation can commute with Maine by air

Coming by auto you will find the principal gateways at Kittery on U. S. No. 1 Atlantic Highway; at Sanford, Fryeburg and Bethel for those entering from the White Mountain Section and some of the more used points of entry from Canada and the Maritime Provinces at Jackman, Houlton, Fort Kent or Calais.

Numerous local steamship lines serve the shore resort communities and through steamers from New York to Portland and Bar Harbor transport thousands during the vacation season.

A constantly growing list of landing fields with established plane service from Boston and New York delights the air minded visitor and brings Maine within easy commuting time from all eastern cities.

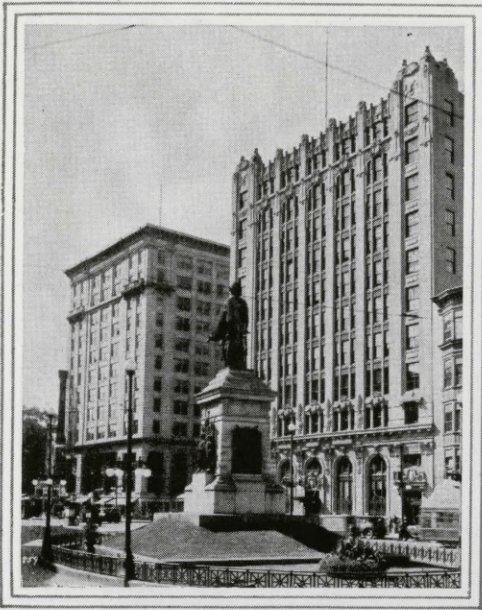
When time is a factor, air transportation has solved for the sportsman the problem of reaching distant waters at the very height of their superb fishing.

Seeing Maine

To describe Maine in adequate detail in the space available is simply impossible. The names of hundreds of cities and towns and as many more resort places spring up in mind and jostle with those of twenty five hundred lakes and ponds and upward of five thousand rivers, streams and brooks.

We can but paint in broad strokes the picture of a few principal places and the routes reaching them.





Portland has busy streets



Fort Allen Park, Portland, overlooks Casco Bay

Following the main artery of travel through Kittery we pass through historical coast sections and soon arrive at

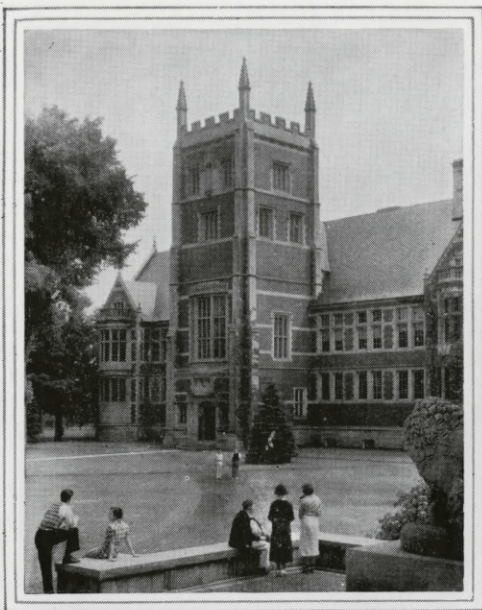
Portland, the Forest City

This Maine metropolis received its title, for its beautiful shade trees and picturesquely wooded parks. Its spacious, safe harbor is formed by sheltering islands in Casco Bay and is nearer Europe than any other Atlantic Port. Here lived the poet Longfellow and other famous Americans.

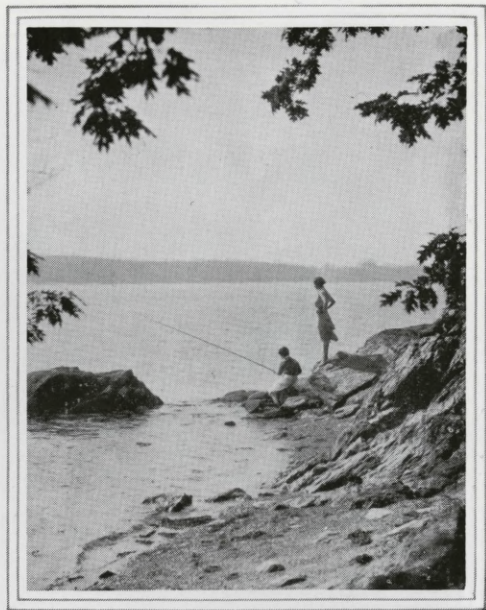


Maine's public buildings have picturesque settings





Hubbard Library at Bowdoin College



Happy hours along the seacoast

Portland, with excellent hotel accommodations and headquarters of information service, is the first goal of many visitors.

Branching to the southwest are highways to central York County with its many lakes and towns; to the west are routes to and from the White Mountains with sojourning spots at many places, more notably Sebago and Sebago waters, Bridgton and Harrison, Moose Pond with background of towering Pleasant Mountain and on to Fryeburg in the Saco River Valley and to the mountainous Lake Kezar country.

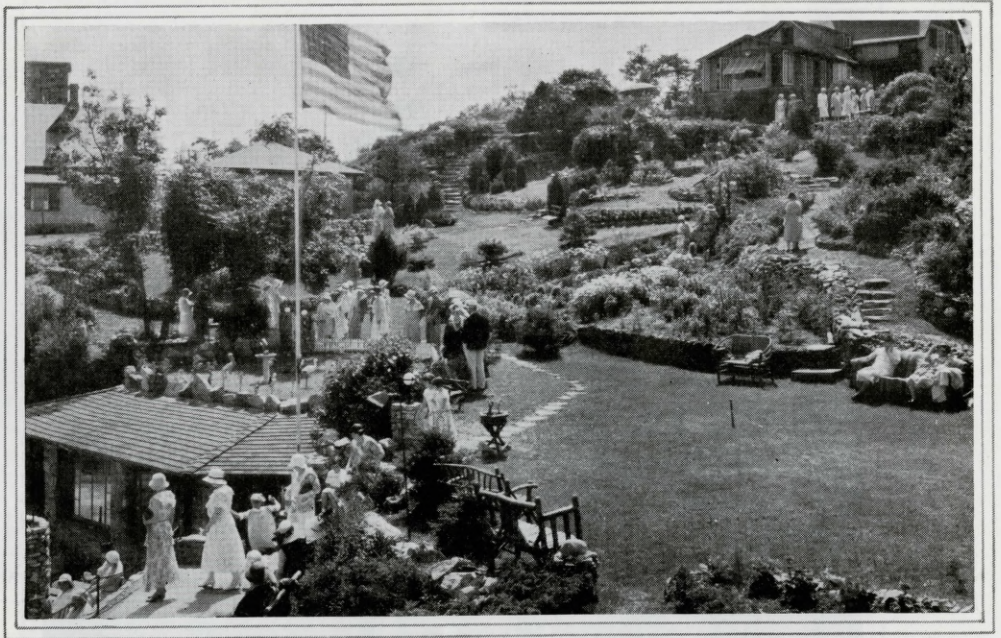


Here, at Brunswick, Harriet Beecher Stowe wrote "Uncle Tom's Cabin"





Maine, each year sets aside one special day for formal greeting to its visitors. Here, we see the throng gathered in the shade of the classically domed Capitol at Augusta, being greeted by the Governor, noted citizens and state officials.



Beautiful estates border sea and lake shores

To the northwest lies a charming section through Poland Spring, Norway with numerous lakes, past Bryants Pond and up through increasingly taller hills to Bethel.

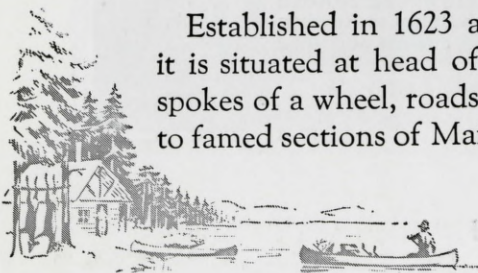
To the north are routes to the Androscoggin valley and on through rolling landscape to Farmington in the beautiful Sandy River Valley thence on to the incomparable Rangeley section, a scenic mountain country with lakes over 1500 feet above the sea.

U. S. Highway No. 1—the Atlantic Highway, leads from Portland to Brunswick, site of Bowdoin college and birthplace of “Uncle Tom’s Cabin.” Passing Bath, famed for its shipbuilding on to Wiscasset, quaint town of colonial homes, thence to Damariscotta, Rockland, Camden and along the coast.

By branching from the mentioned routes one may reach any section of the state, so it may be well to follow one of several highways and next center notice on

Augusta, the Capital City

Established in 1623 as a trading post by the Plymouth colony it is situated at head of navigation of the Kennebec River. Like spokes of a wheel, roads lead out to other cities, to lake resorts and to famed sections of Maine. In widening circles one finds Cobbos-





Bangor from air, Eastern Maine's trading and shipping center

seecontee waters, Maranacook and the famous Belgrade Lakes, China Lake, Damariscotta Lake and numberless other sheets of water as well as routes to coast towns and vacation communities.

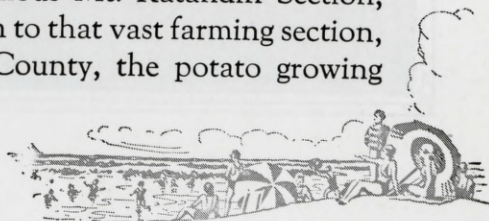
State Highways lead to the aforementioned Rangeleys, to Somerset and Piscataquis Counties with glorious variety of waters and forests; to Belfast and Penobscot Bay points and to Bucksport Bridge, gateway to Eastern Maine.

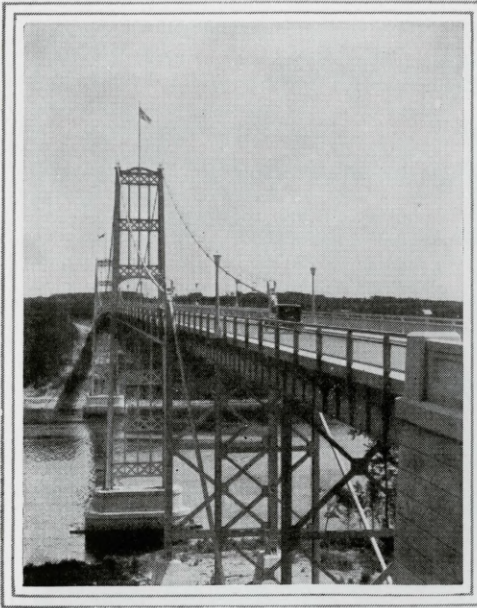
To the north lie great attractions so we will move up the Kennebec River valley to Waterville, site of Colby College, here branching routes lead to Skowhegan and thence on past Bingham, the Forks and other towns to Jackman and Canada, east through Pittsfield and Newport, bustling communities, to another center of travel.

Bangor, the Queen City

Lying as it does at the head of tide water shipping on the Penobscot River it is trading and shipping center for large areas lying to the north and east.

Northward, highways lead to Sebec, Sebois, Moosehead and hundreds of other lakes; into the famous Mt. Katahdin Section; up the Penobscot Valley and on and on to that vast farming section, the tremendously fertile Aroostook County, the potato growing





This bridge at Bucksport was a National Prize winner



Sometimes the old challenges the new



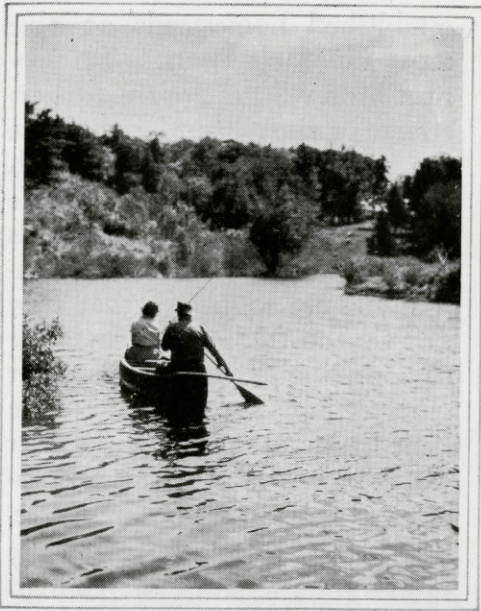
center of the nation; and passing these broad agricultural acres again into forest and lake land on the Fish River Chain of Lakes, and to Canadian ports of entry.

Bangor, again is a starting point for visitors to Washington County by way of Lee and Carroll through beautiful lake country to Topsfield, Princeton and Calais—the gateway for tourists to New Brunswick.

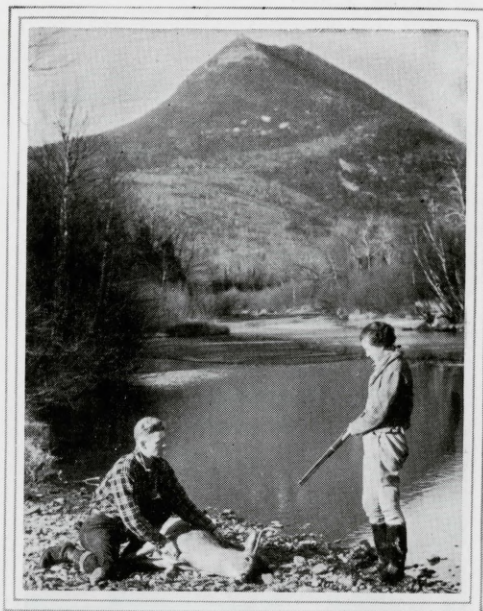
The Atlantic Highway leads from Bangor down the Penobscot

Salmon Pool, The famous Bangor Pool yields Atlantic Salmon up to thirty pounds





Salmon water, Dennys River, Washington County



Good hunting along picturesque waterways

to Ellsworth, with delightful trips to Bar Harbor, Bluehill and Castine and thence on along the coast, Machias, Lubec and Eastport to the boundary St. Croix River, passes through Calais, then up through Aroostook territory to Fort Kent.

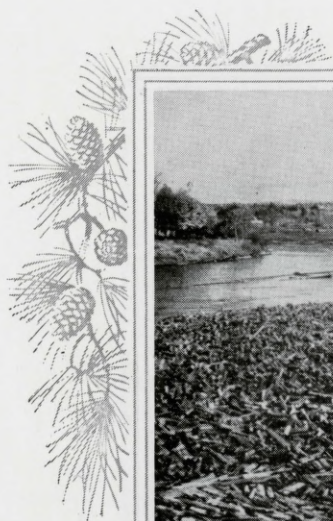
Cities and Towns--Inland

In general, the interior settlements show the effects of early day influences. Pioneers moving inland from the early coastal colonies followed natural waterways and passed through the uplands and



Industry is aided by harnessed waterfalls on many a river



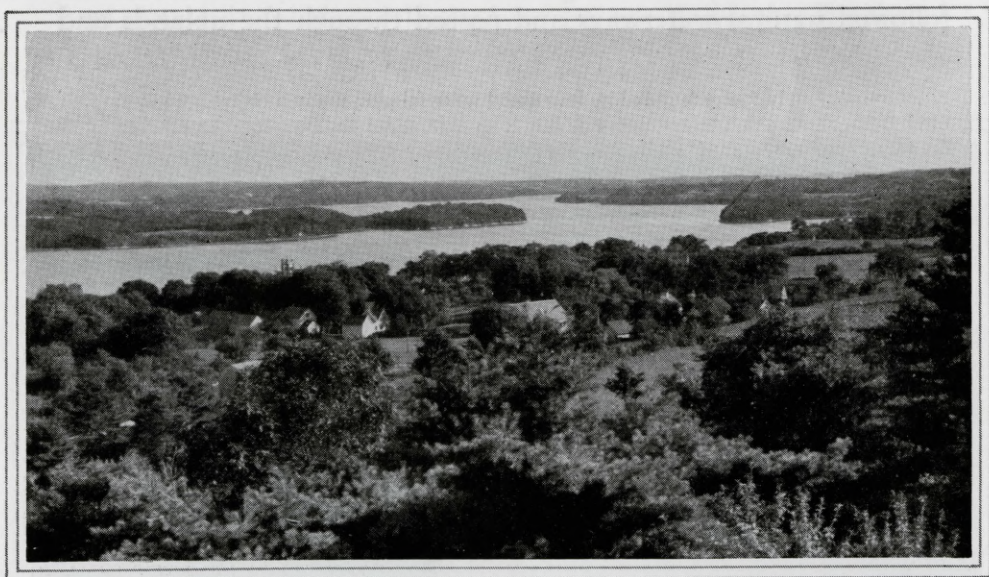


Rafts of wood destined for paper mill

established homesteads at the most favorable spots. Today neat little villages are situated on stream or river in order to utilize the smaller water powers which now generate electricity where formerly they turned the wheels of grist or saw mill; other communities are so located that they serve the trading demands for surrounding territory while larger cities occupy sites to enjoy the benefits of more extensive power developments and to act as shipping centers for water commerce.

Many a thriving community nestles on the shore of fascinating lake or pond, founded there probably on account of sheer beauty of the surroundings. Some towns are situated at the natural focus of travel routes but in the great majority of all settlements the visitor will find some pic-

Cheerful communities are situated on banks of lakes and bays

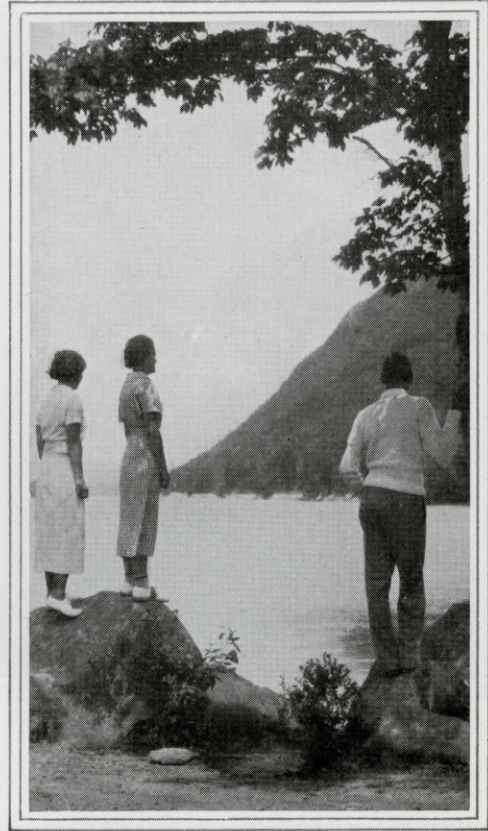


turesque stream, seemingly pausing there to lend a touch of positive loveliness to the scene.

Each one, large or small and however placed, has neat homes, well tended streets, a profusion of graceful shade trees and the invariable church spires smiling down on the happy community.

The Coast Communities

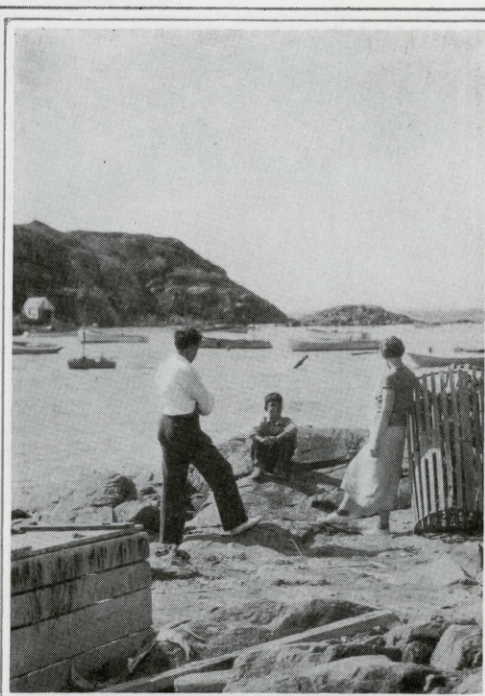
Alternate routes reach and skirt the coast in many spots. Starting at the southern tip of Maine with Kittery and Kittery Point, come in picturesque succession York Harbor, home of many prominent socialites, York Beach, Bald Head Cliffs and Ogunquit, all beloved by artists and outdoor enthusiasts. Then the long beaches at Wells, Kennebunk Beach and Kennebunkport, Cape Porpoise,



Beautiful Megunticook, Camden

West Quoddy Head, most easterly land in the United States





Tiny beaches lend fascinating touches

Vacation days are never long enough



Fortunes Rocks and Biddeford Pool. Thence along that tremendous 17-mile stretch of sand from Camp Ellis at the mouth of the Saco, on and on past Old Orchard, Grand Beach and Pine Point. Again from the main road to a short distance to Prout's Neck, Higgins and Crescent beaches to Cape Elizabeth and Portland, on Casco Bay with its three hundred islands.

Up the coast again to Flying Point at Freeport, to Harpswell and by yet another route to Small Point and Popham.

Across the Kennebec at Bath we digress again to Boothbay—the center of a charming circle of resort activities. Thence on to South Bristol and Christmas Cove, Pemaquid and salty little New Harbor, rich in historic past; Round Pond, Friendship, Port Clyde, and Rockland, on to Camden and Belfast, with water trips to the islands in Penobscot Bay, then Castine, Blue Hill, Mt. Desert with the National Park and Bar Harbor, Seal Harbor and Northeast Harbor, the Sullivans, Winter Harbor, Jonesport, Machias, Lubec and Eastport.

Names only, and not a full list at that, yet each one, from industrious city to tiny hamlet, breathes the romance of the sea-faring people, and offers a different but characteristic bit of one of the most glorious coastlines in the world.

The Climate

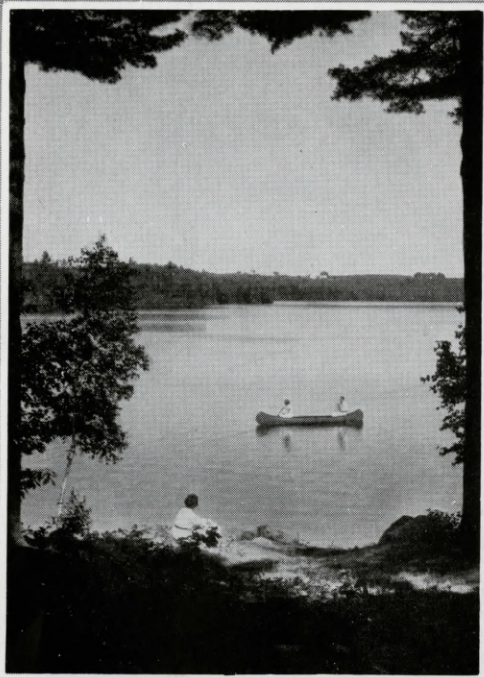
The latitude in which Maine lies, combined with sea breezes, creates ideal summer weather. Bright, clear, balmy days and cool restful nights, smiling skies and verdant landscape blend together in all the radiant loveliness it is possible for climate to have.

In April the days may be a bit cool for the early fisherman, but what is that compared to the full creel and cozy fire waiting at hotel or camp.

From May to November Maine's glorious climate causes the state to stand out in vacation anticipations and memories. While other sections are sweltering under broiling sun or depressingly humid weather, the visitor here plays blithely along in restful temperatures and knows that at night blankets will be necessary.

A delightful period is that from mid September till November—during the season of changing foliage—when crisp snappy nights bring touches of frosts that paint the landscapes in flaming colors, yet the days are balmy enough for any recreation. This is the perfect Indian Summer.

An increasing show of popularity for winter sports in Maine indicates the pleasant bracing qualities of the colder season.



Drifting on placid waters, Lake Maranacook

Sunset over Square Lake, Aroostook County





Log cabin life charms visitors

Hosts of All Kinds — Yet One In Hospitality

Maine's housing of its guests compares favorably with that of any state. Some hotels are of the luxurious type, set to metropolitan standards, with cuisine equal to the finest. Many there are of more modest appointments yet, with perfect table, comfort and cleanliness. Farm houses and private homes extend a welcome hand to travellers and, while modest in price, give the stranger an interesting insight into the town and home life of the people.

Overnight camps, whether on seashore or inland lake, in valley or on mountainside, offer clean inexpensive quarters.

One phase of accommodations, peculiar to Maine is the so-called Sporting Camp or perhaps better titled log cabin village. Snugly

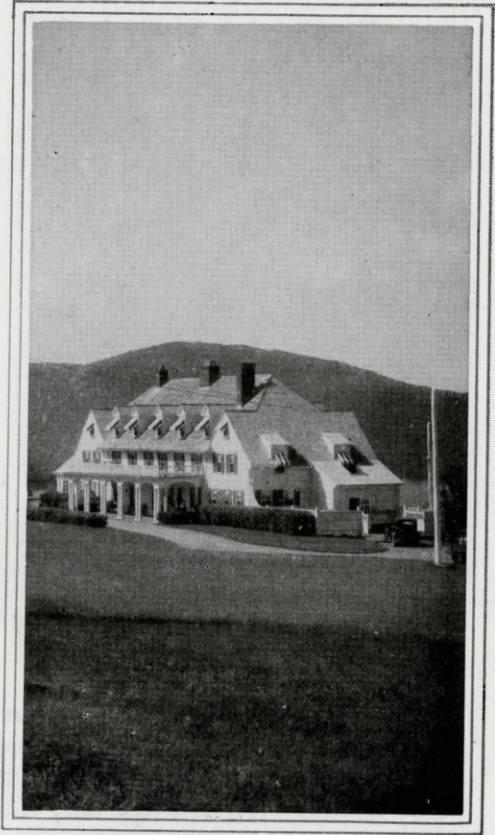
Colonial day structures keep open house in attractive settings



placed on shore of friendly lake or pond it consists of a number of separate peeled log cabins, furnished with excellent beds, generally equipped with modern bathroom and almost invariably with open fireplace. Here parties of one or two to eight or a dozen may have hotel comforts in the heart of the woods yet enjoy the privacy of separate houses. A common dining room cares for the inner man and a large central fireplace in the "office camp" brews fellowship and good feeling before its cheerful blaze.

All accommodations on the waterside, have plenty of boats, swimming facilities and a complement of Maine Guides should you care for them.

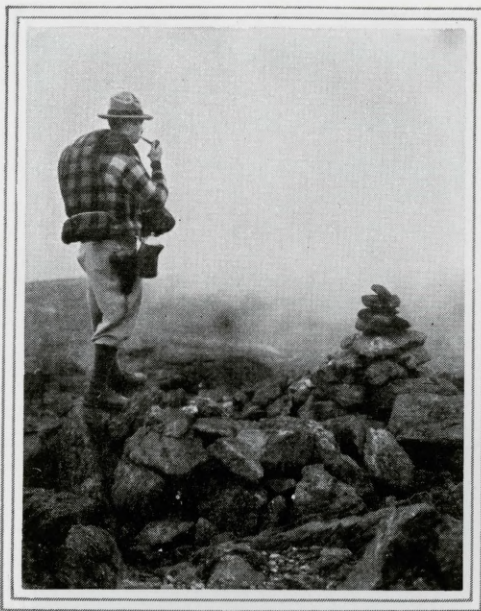
From mine host of the palatial hotel with army of servants and a thousand details on his mind,



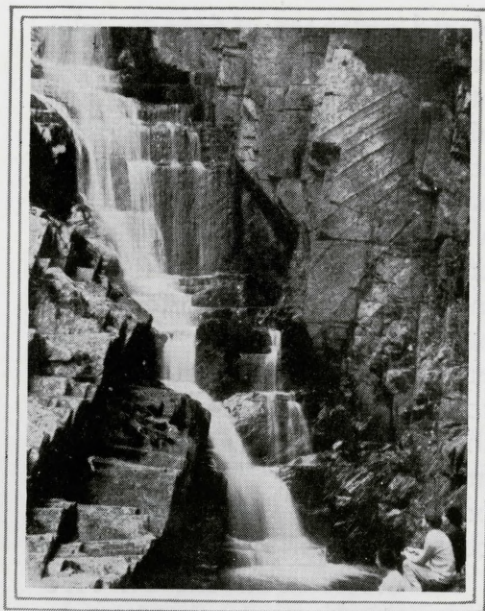
Up-to-date hotels are placed advantageously

Hundreds of over-night camps extend gracious hospitality





Seemingly, nature planned all this



To reach, to pause, to see

to the cheerful householder, from the obliging manager of a set of overnight camps to the genial proprietor of sporting camp colony, one and all they radiate hospitality and strive in a quiet gracious way to make the visitors' stay one of happy memories.

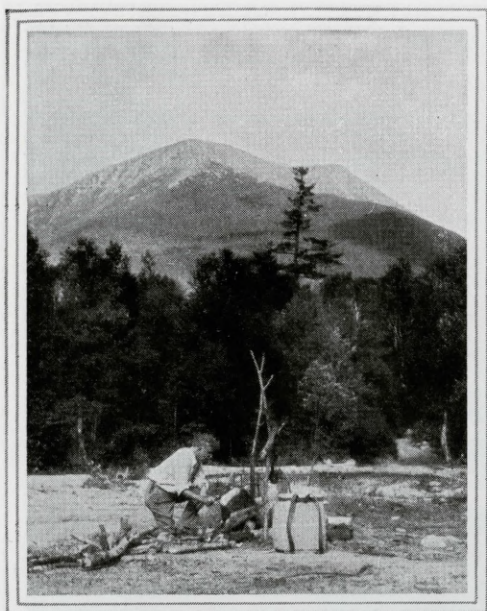


The Appalachian Trail

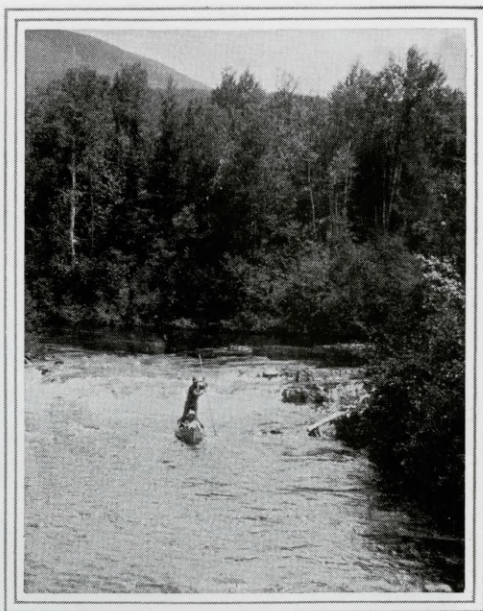
Within a few years, nature lovers and outdoorsmen have planned one long continuous trail to take in most of the mountainous section along the Atlantic Seaboard. Gradually their plans have borne fruit and today many sections are in active use.

Beautiful Lake Kezar lies among Oxford County hills





Mt. Katahdin is a magnet to thousands



The trail crosses many a famous stream

Visitors to the northwestern section of Maine will note in many places the characteristic markers of the Appalachian trail which in time bids fair to be one of the most famous foot paths in the world.

The most northern point is its terminus or starting point (which ever way you are journeying) on Mt. Katahdin. It then winds its way through the mountain sections, with delightful side trips or climbs, gives its followers incomparable panoramas of nature's



Mt. Saddleback rises in splendid grandeur above the surrounding land





Healthy bodies and keen minds are products of camp life

finest handiwork, and crosses the New Hampshire line near Grafton Notch on its way to Mt. Washington and thence off on its long southern journey.

The conference booklet says "For excellence of construction and condition, scenic opportunities, available accommodations and variety of mountains, lakes, streams and forests, the Maine Trail is perhaps unequalled in the East."

Thus it is seen that Maine's portion is more nearly completed than any other and the route may easily be followed by those who love the great outdoors.

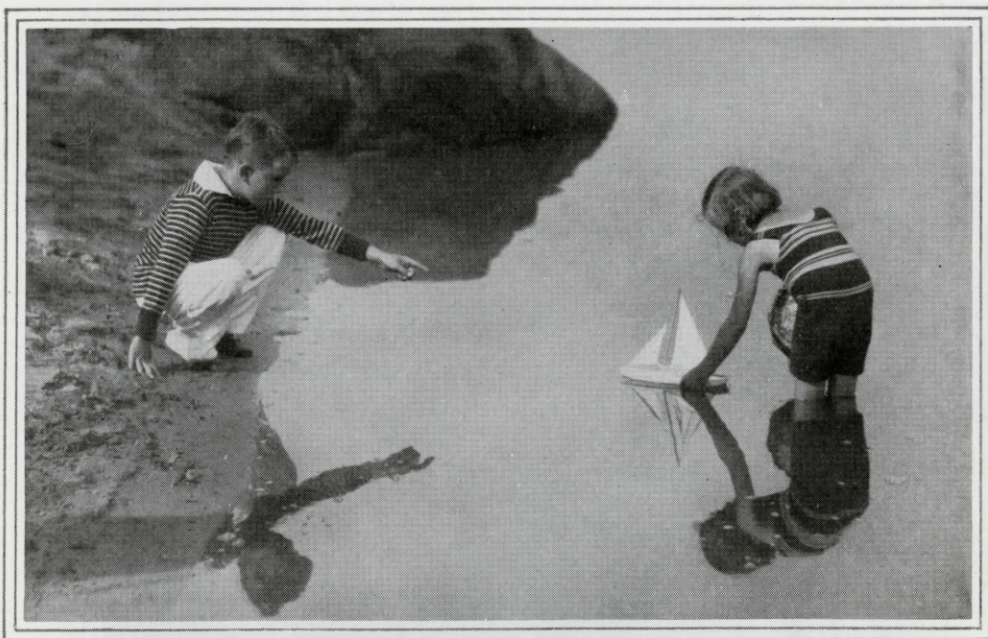
The Birthplace of Juvenile Summer Camps

It was in Maine that summer camps for boys and girls were first planned and established. Today there are hundreds of them.

Thousands and thousands of youngsters from every state in the Union come to enjoy the health building climate of Maine under careful supervision and well-planned programs at these camps.

Hundreds of parents (welcoming the excuse) take the opportunity to pass their vacation days near their children and sojourn at hotel, camp or cottage nearby.





Storing up health and well being for the days to come

Vacation Hours Brimful of Pleasure

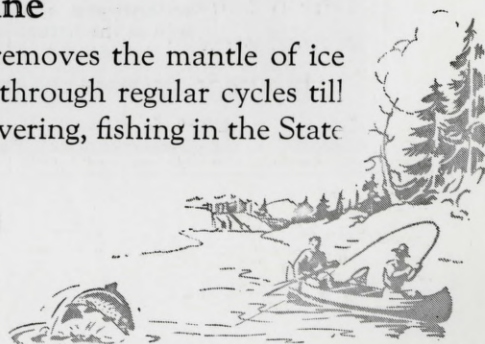
Under the smiling influence of Maine's summer climate it's a positive joy to follow your personal desires and the days seem hardly long enough.

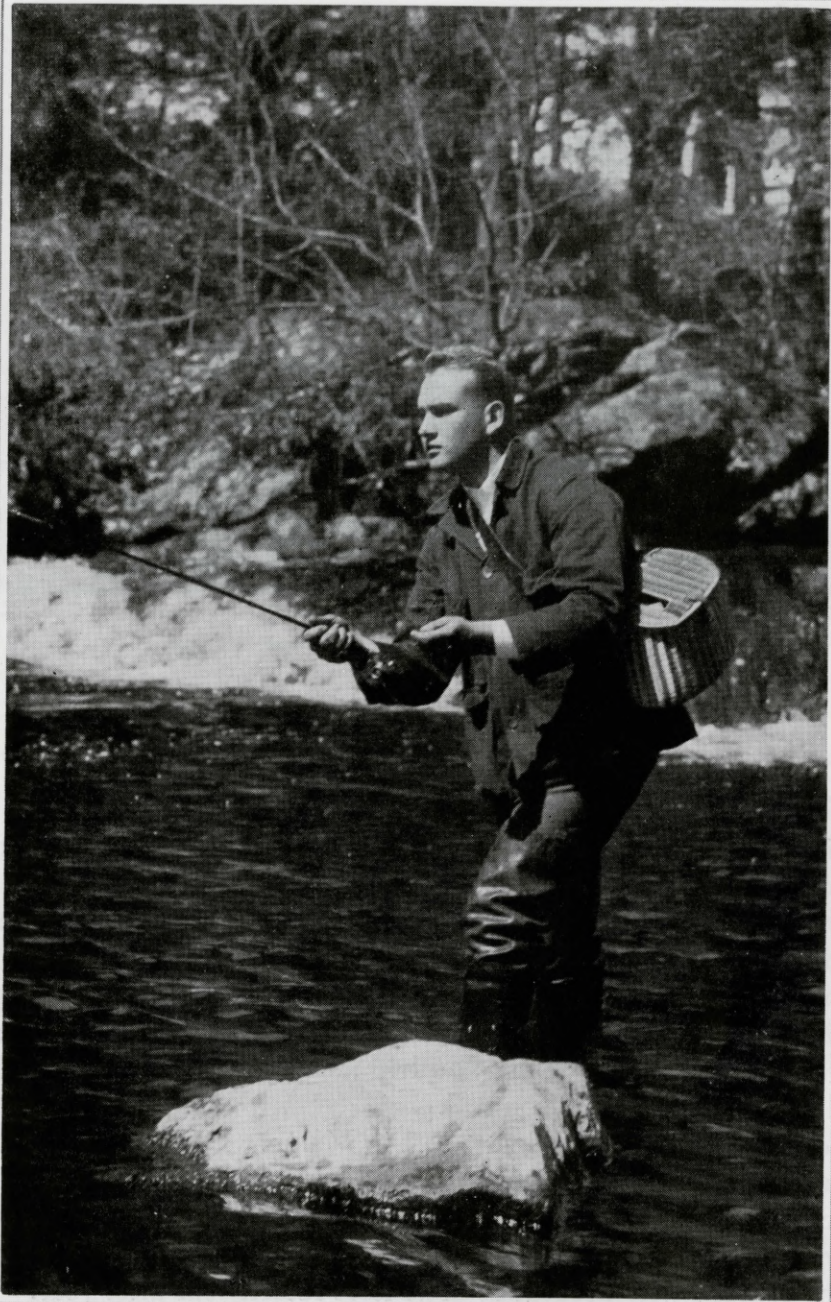
Motoring to picturesque or historic spots, lunching out, using camera or brush, horseback riding, exploring trails, mountain climbing, boating and yachting, canoeing or camping, swimming, hiking, sun bathing, dancing, fishing or hunting—the list is long but never finished as many another recreation will suggest itself and you may choose as you will.

Sea food is found at absolute best in Maine. Lobsters and crabs in appetizing style, clams from clean sands, scallops and the best of ocean's food fish, freshly caught and served in the variety of ways that only Maine's famous seashore cooks know. One of many reasons why thousands of visitors return year after year.

Fishing in Maine

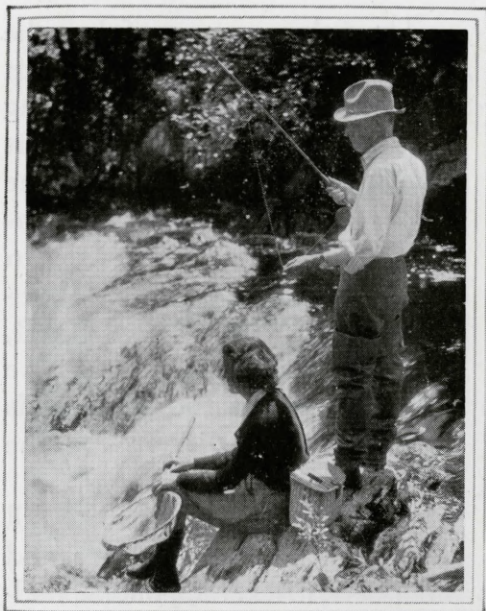
Starting at its best when Nature first removes the mantle of ice from lake and pond and continuing on through regular cycles till frosts begin to tinge the green of forest covering, fishing in the State is world famous.



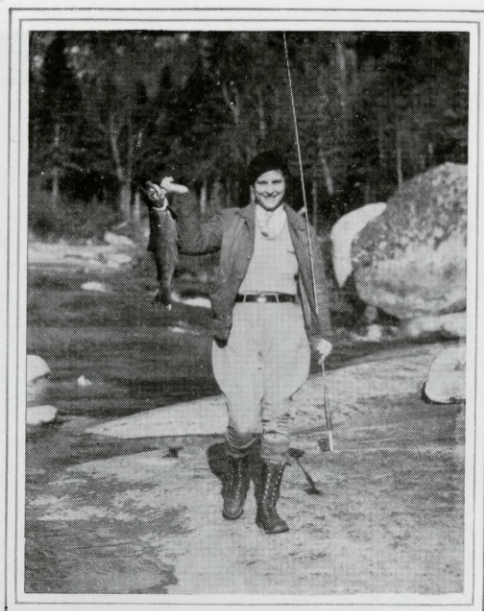


The hours spent on tumbling stream in forest depths are ever treasured in memory's files. Maine's network of waterways is a positive temptation for the fisherman as well as the nature lover and camera worker.





White water brings excellent results



A prize from upper Kennebec waters

Maine truly has a variety of fresh water game fish that no other state can hope to offer—Atlantic Salmon up to thirty pounds—landlocked Salmon to fifteen—Brook Trout to six, yes even to ten pounds in weight; Lake Trout or Togue to twenty pounds, fighting Black Bass, White Perch, Pickerel and some sizable Brown and Rainbow Trout. When we add such toothsome food fish as smelts, cusk, yellow perch and whitefish, eels and hornpout we have a complete picture that will delight the heart of any sportsman or epicure.



Sport, pleasure and dinner in the shadow of Mt. Kineo





Waldo County covers are world famous

A real trophy from Hancock County



The fisherman may fish as he chooses—fly casting with both wet and dry style flies, trolling with live or artificial lure, bait casting with frog, minnow or one of a multitude of plugs, skittering, brook and still fishing. In winter ice fishing attracts hundreds of devotees. Best of all, whatever the style elected, the novice as well as the adept finds keenest pleasure in fishing the varied inland waters.

From the sea one can take full share of rock cod, cunner and flounders, mackerel, pollock, haddock and large cod, increasing in size with cusk and halibut until the "man's sized" class is reached in the seven or eight hundred pound Tuna.

Hunting in Maine

The seasonal change in Maine seems almost custom-made for the Sportsman. Early spring takes off the mantle of snow and ice and the fisherman comes into his own. Summer appeals to every out-of-door's lover in endless variety of recreation and sport. Autumn, with its flaming frost-painted foliage and crisp nights, is seemingly planned for the hunter.

Here, in the well forested sections he may follow lumber or "tote" road, path or trail or strike through unbroken woods in pursuit of Deer, Black Bear, Bobcat, Lynx, Fox, Raccoon or Rabbit.

Again by way of pleasant variety he may hunt the more scattered wood lots, with mixtures of





Trust the country lad to know good covers



Coastal shooting is good sport

hard woods and black growth, skirting orchards, following alder and birch runs as he seeks with pointer or setter the ruffed grouse or partridge and the quick flying woodcock.

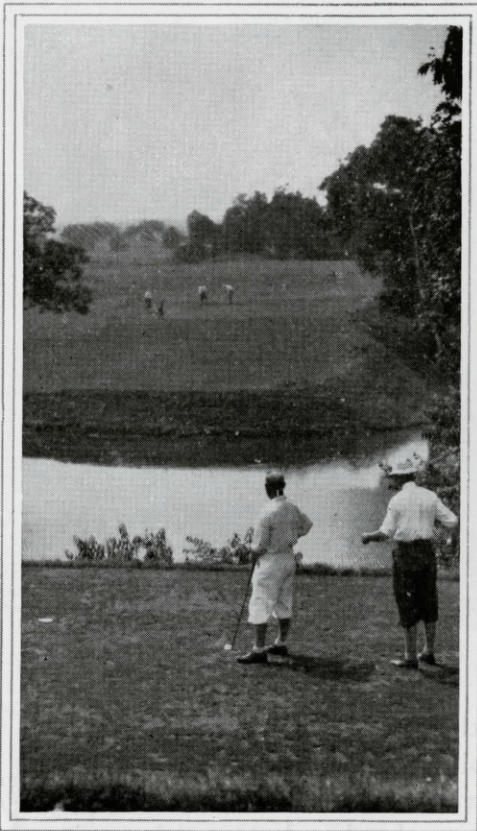
To round out the picture he can try his hand at stopping snipe and rails, geese, or a variety of ducks and sea fowl either along the inland waterways or among the hundreds of islands strewn along the coast.

Memories of early risings, journeys to the game fields, hunting



"Bringing home the bacon" is a two man job in Somerset County





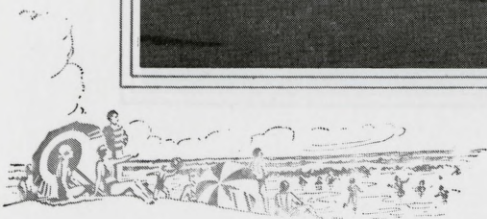
"It's only a mental hazard"

hours deep in wild lands or skirting sparse growth, of luncheons out-of-doors and then, the goal achieved, of the home-coming with well filled bag, stand out as cherished symbols of sportsman's days under the skies of Maine.

Golfing

Sporty golf courses are scattered well over Maine. Some are located directly on the coast where green and tee, fairway and rough are within sight of the ever sparkling blue waters of the Atlantic; some are placed in the mountain section with greens nestling in tiny valleys and tees on promontories elevated far above the succeeding play, and with lake or stream marking the usual water hole; some spreading out over the beautiful rolling terrain of fair fertile valley country.

Splendid hotels are backgrounds for courses like this



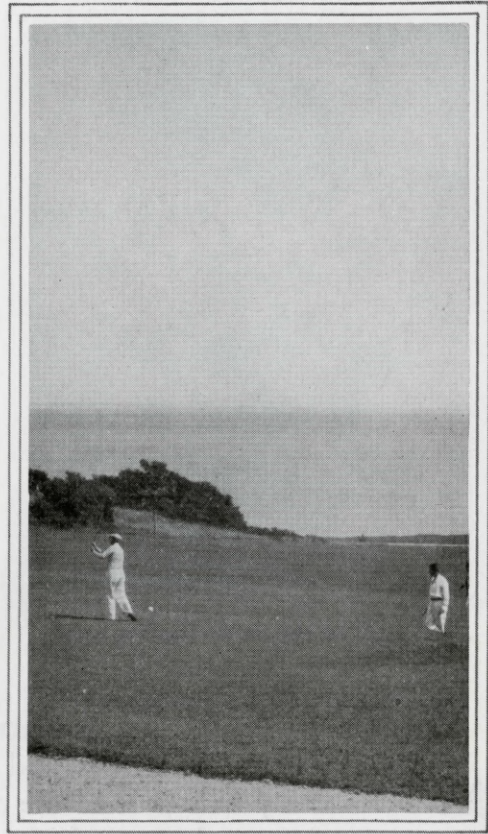
Courses are invariably well kept, with excellent turf and velvety greens.

Wherever located, the sheer beauty of many holes often halts the game, allows following matches to "go through" while the visitors simply revel in the gloriously picturesque setting.

Almost without exception, the visiting golfer is welcome at the courses of the state. Courteous professionals and willing caddies are in attendance and the game is pleasant from start to finish.

Many of the clubhouses furnish meals and sleeping quarters may be found nearby.

An increasingly popular vacation for golf lovers is a "touring foursome", playing a different Maine course each day.



Courses, air conditioned by the sea

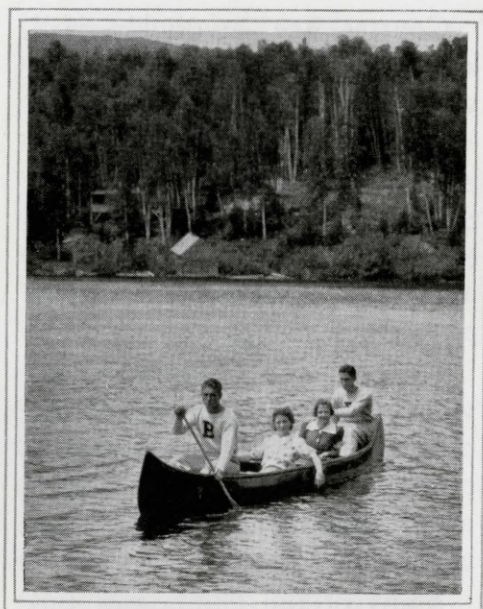


Putting practice in such settings improves your game





Happy canoeists on the winding Saco



Rangeley waters are fringed with birches



Canoeing

The network of streams and rivers connecting the multitude of lakes and ponds in the state offers countless miles of canoeing waters. Among the most famous in the world are the Allegash Trip, the St. Johns River Trip and the East and West Branch trips on the Penobscot River. All of these are in Maine. Others a plenty, of varying length yet vying in picturesque splendor, may easily be planned.

Moose River tempts fisherman and canoeist alike





Maine's sweet corn--the world's best



For flavor, Maine's apples excel

Each year sees an increasing number of visitors choose this way to lay aside all care and worry and under the guidance of experienced canoemen embark in graceful yet sturdy craft and float gently down some wilderness route.

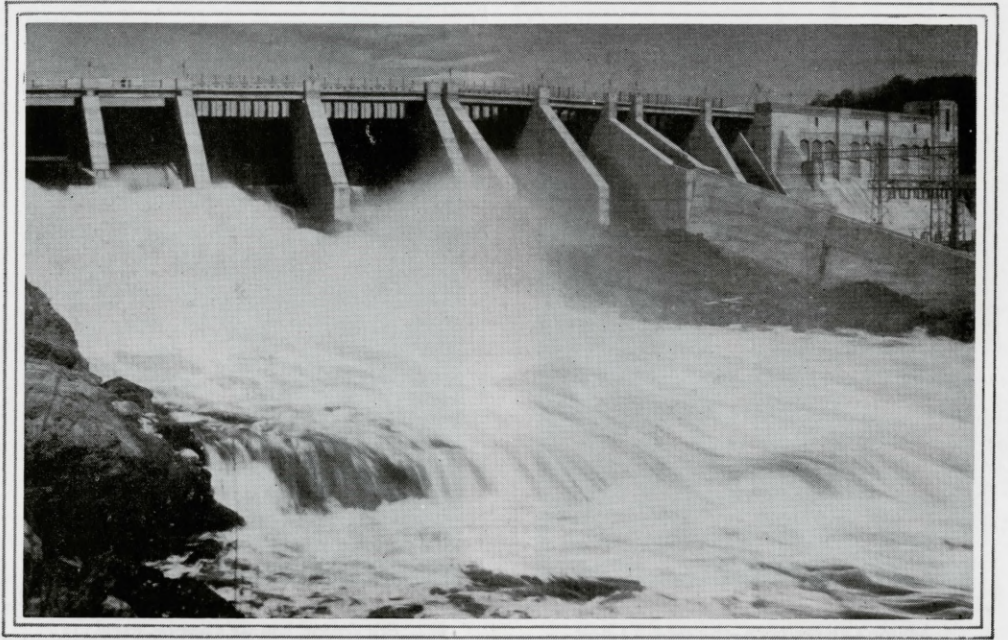
Maine's Food Products

Exclusive of the area where the potato crop is world famous, both as to acreage and quality, Maine's food producing is done in smaller units. There is something about the climate, however,



Aroostook potato fields constitute New England's greatest farming venture





Wyman Dam on the Kennebec. Largest development in New England

that imparts a flavor to fruit and vegetables that makes them stand out in any company.

You have but to taste the fresh green peas, tender yet crisp; the asparagus and lettuce; the delicious sweet corn on the cob and kindred vegetables in their season, to realize that you have found flavor and texture at its best.

Berries of many varieties, both cultivated and of native wild stock, are enjoyed in every corner of the state and are a staple on the table of every dining room.

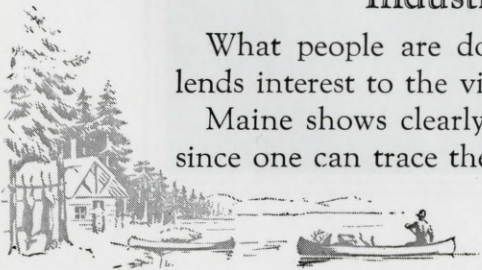
In the fall and winter months orchards are fairly loaded with magnificent crisp apples with a flavor that is matchless in quality.

To be sure, you can buy most of Maine's fruits and vegetables in cans in any corner of the United States and you have probably noted their superior flavor, but eaten fresh and newly picked from vine and tree they truly are superb.

Industrial Life and the Visitor

What people are doing in an industrial or occupational way lends interest to the visitor's sojourn in any community.

Maine shows clearly the progress in the human scheme of life since one can trace the development of the present day contribu-





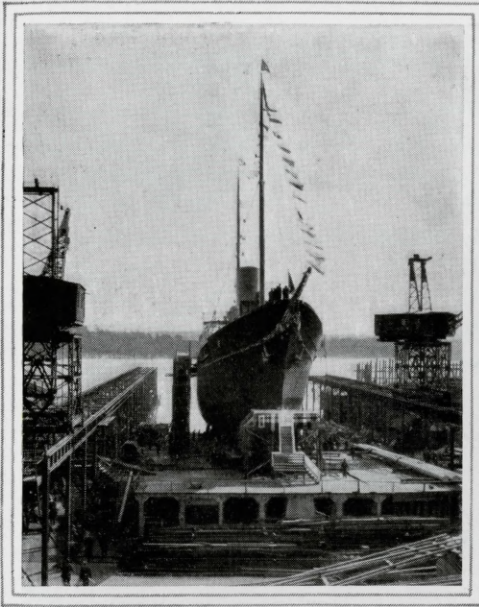
Boys' and girls' summer camps constitute a major industry

tion from its sources of tiny industries. Gradual expansion and consolidation have established sizable mills and plants at favorable points yet one can still find many of the earlier types operating today much as they did a century ago.

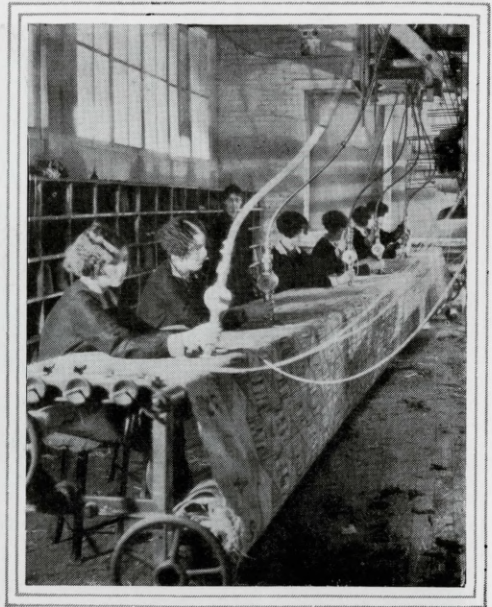
Vast paper mills furnish their products to consumers all over the nation. Boots and shoes, textiles, too, are favorably known. Lumber products reach to every corner of the world, and canned foodstuffs are favorably known wherever high quality is appreciated. The visitor may well find a keen interest in visiting industrial plants either large or small and many a time will purchase unique and worthwhile articles direct from the maker.

Special footwear from a world famous manufacturer who has for years catered to discriminating sportsmen; hooked rugs in patterns that fascinate; ski and snowshoes fabricated by third generations in the craft; handmade bamboo fishing rods that must





Launching the "Corsair" at Bath shipyard

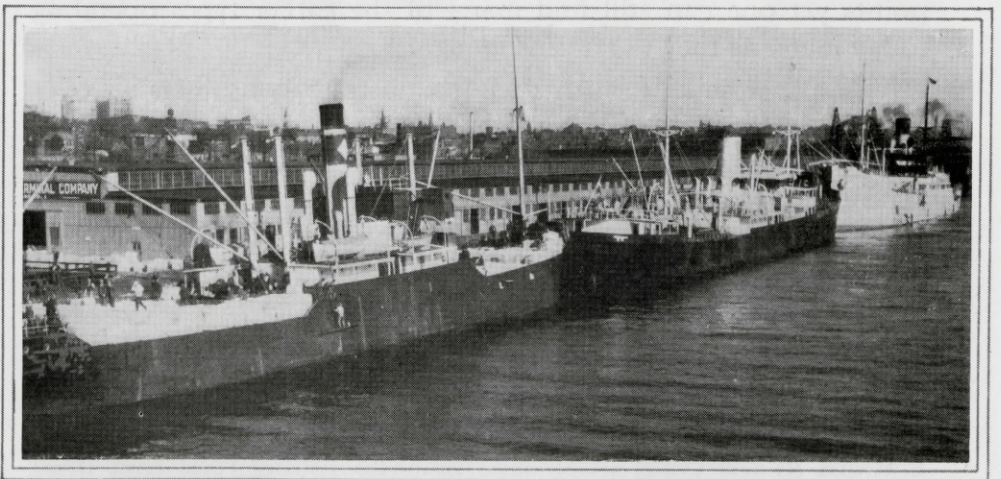


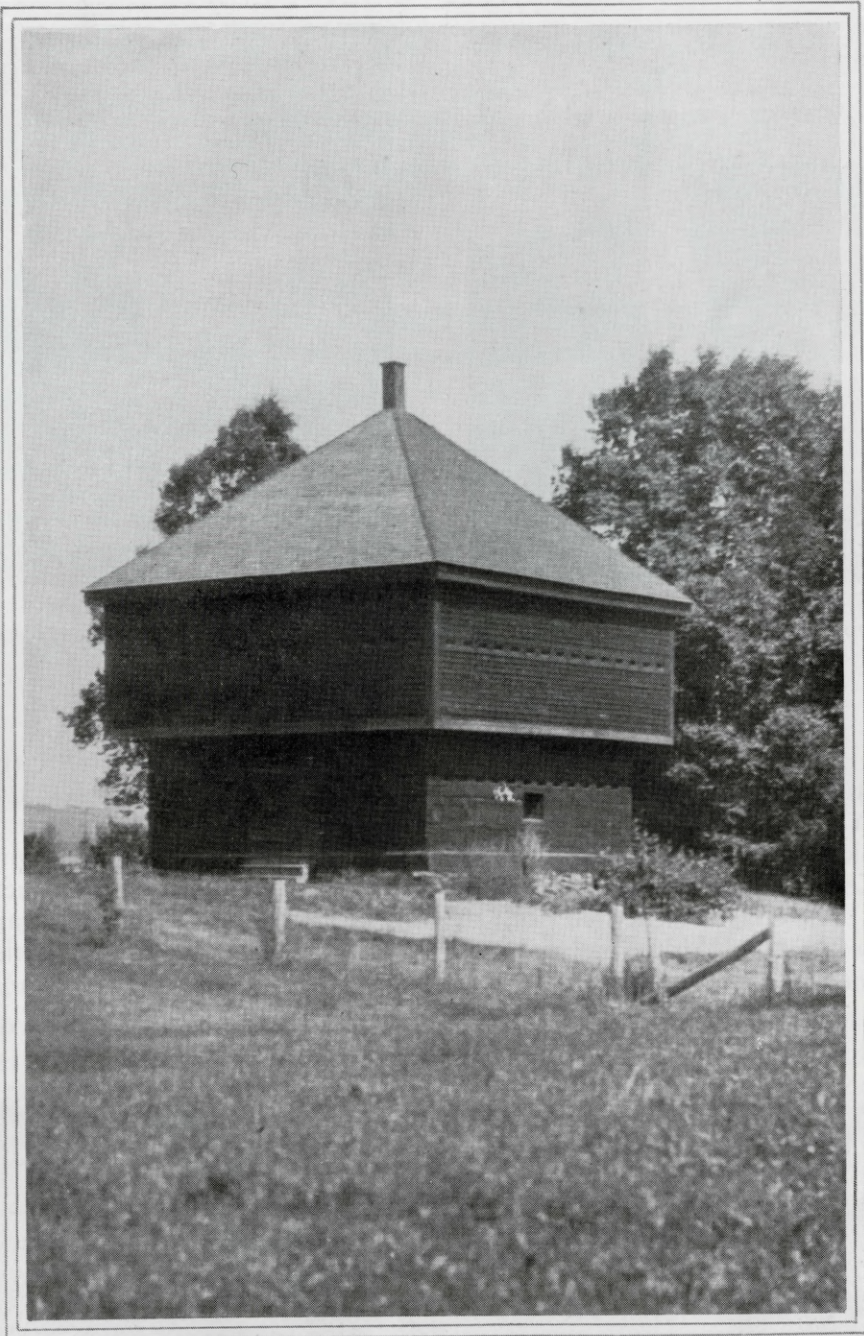
Flying shuttles produce unique patterns



almost be handled in reverence so fine is their action and balance; porch and cottage furniture in extremely practical modern design or in equally useful but different rustic style; you will be tempted to carry back native sturdy pine or spruce trees, boxes of honey fragrant with clover, maple sugar, and pillows of balsam tips with memories of clean forests, as well as foodstuff, jellies and a host of different items. All give an indefinable but yet positive touch to life in Maine.

Commerce finds Maine Ports nearest United States points to Europe

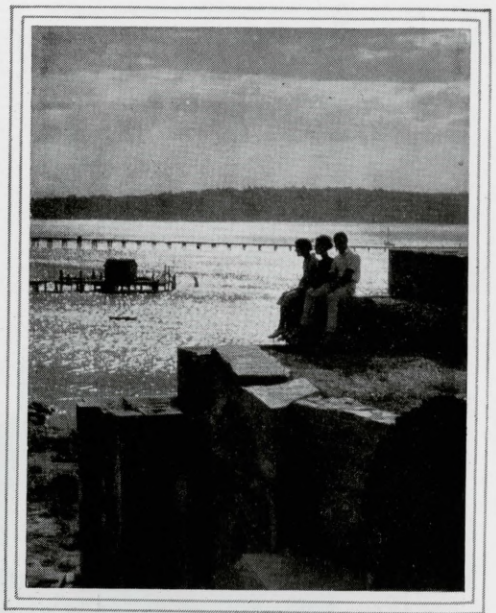




There's a fascination in exploring the interiors of structures built by hands long dead for defence against invaders both red and white. This particular block house was government built at Fort Kent during the time of boundary disputes in Aroostook County.



Father Rale's monument at Norridgewock



Popham, first English settlement in N. E.



A Romantic Historical Background

The visitor to Maine cannot fail to observe historic landmarks and monuments. He comes under the spell of long bygone days in the English savor of such names as York, Cumberland, Oxford, Biddeford and Somerset, while Indian titles like Androscoggin, Kennebec, Maranacook or Messalonskee enthrall him still further.

The coast was settled both by England and France thirteen years before the Pilgrims sailed in the Mayflower. Maine's early settlements were the outer fringe of English grasp on the continent and

Dresden, where boats were built for Arnold's expedition to Quebec





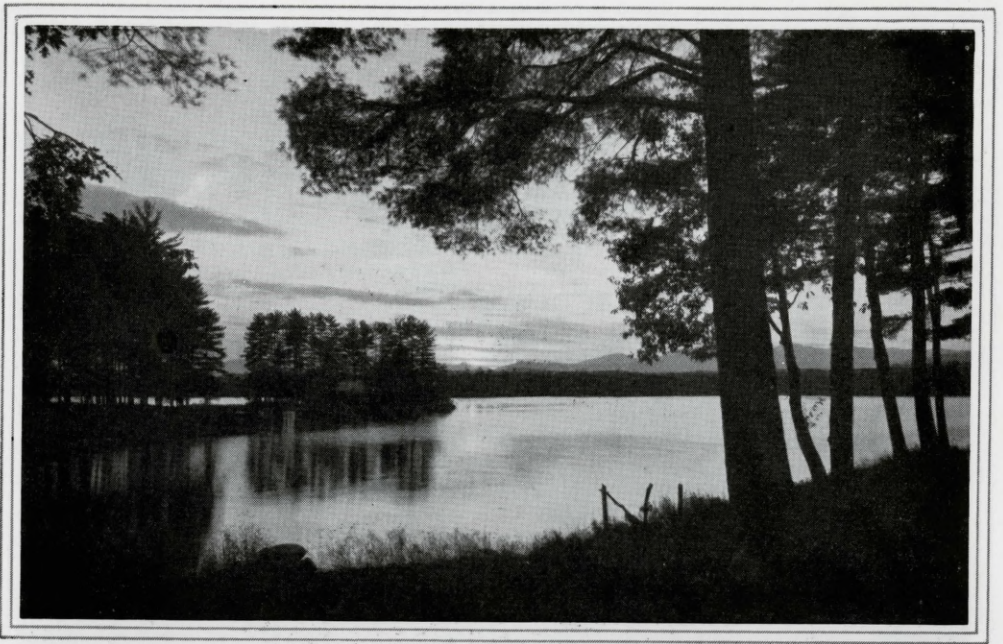
Maine's granite shores have marked centuries of history

their sites were the battle ground for many conflicts in the French and Indian wars. The first vessel launched in America was built at Popham in 1607—the first naval engagement in the Revolutionary War took place near Machias—Arnold's Expedition to Quebec passed up the Kennebec and Dead Rivers, leaving behind many names to mark its route—first Thanksgiving service in America observed on St. Georges Island in 1607 and a host of other events of significant historic worth are marked in the annals of the State.

Early influences are found in the architecture of Maine. Even today some of the original garrison houses and blockhouses are in existence and are the goal of thousands of guests of the State.

Farm houses and dwellings show the early utility of structure, the former by the snug clumping of buildings with ell connected barns and the latter by the sturdy lines and spacious quarters of the retired seafarer or active merchant.





As glorious day yields to eventide

The Whole State is a Playground

The visitor may well find his preference of pleasure anywhere in Maine. Enter as you will, go where you wish, your kind of enjoyment is near at hand. Combinations of every sport and hobby will please individual members of any family and may be found in every section of the state and yet, if the usual desire to see more and more of the country is followed, you discover ever new examples of just the kind of things you enjoy most.

Come and see for Yourself

Maine is cordially inviting the pleasure of your visit. Her hotels, camps and even homes are open for your comfort and pleasure. You will be gladly welcomed into any sport or recreation and will quickly fit in any program.

All the briefly mentioned glories of the State, her mountains, her scenery, her waters, her climate and her hospitality are waiting for you and

The Latchstring is always out



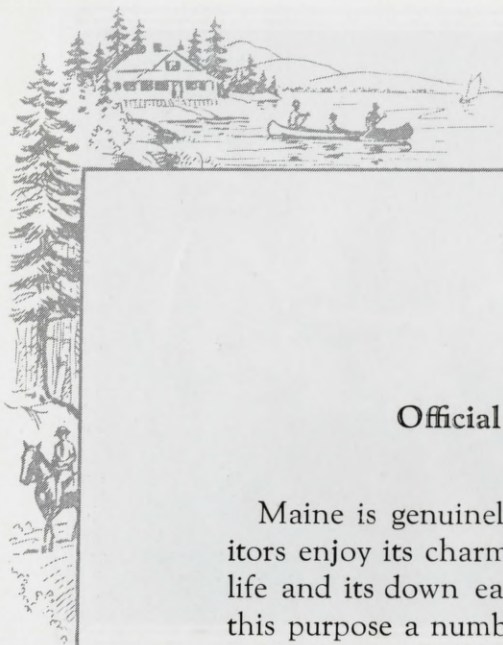


A distinguished literary Summer Resident

What Booth Tarkington Thinks of Maine

To my mind Maine is the most beautiful state we have in this country, but even more appealing is its homeliness. It is easier for a stranger to feel at home in Maine than in almost any other place I ever knew. That is perhaps the reason why so many visitors cease to be visitors and get to think of Maine as home.

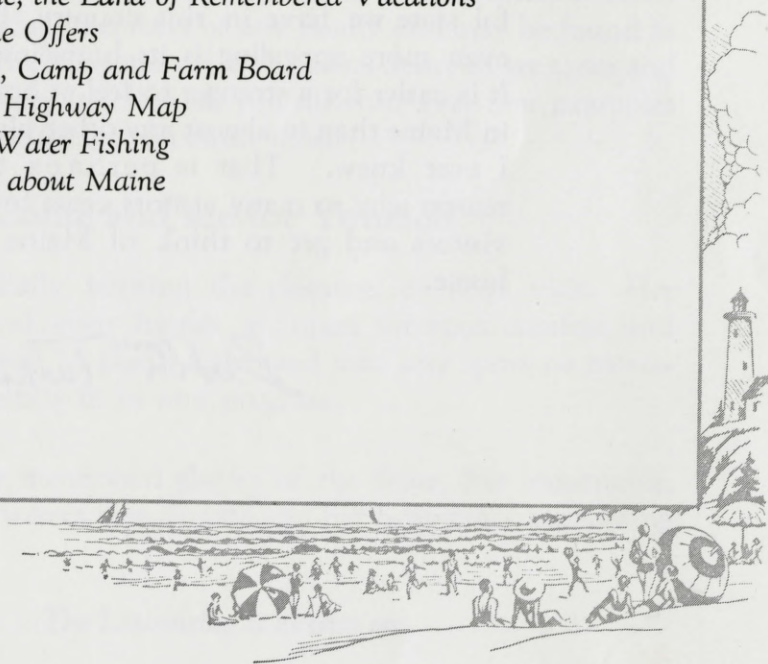
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Official Publications

Maine is genuinely interested in having visitors enjoy its charm, its climate, its industrial life and its down east hospitality. To further this purpose a number of official booklets are ready for distribution on request. Simply address Maine Development Commission, State House, Augusta, Maine for any of the following publications:

Fishing, Hunting and Canoeing
The Transformation of a Maine Farm
Delicious Maine Foods, Served the Maine Way
Maine, the Land of Remembered Vacations
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