How Do You Spend Your Vacation?

BY VERA MILLER

The first thing on the agenda ever the vacation is the phone call to the Travel Agency. These wonderful angels of the time table take care of all details for those who wish to divert themselves of the bothersome details of planning a trip. To go anywhere in the world, make the phone call and presto—a letter of confirmation appears as though Abadin had rubbed the Magic Lamp.

Remember those vacations you boys went on? Mr. and Mrs. Wilson, Jr. A phone call was made and everyone went to the relative who owned a cottage. Then off to Michigan City, Union Pier, Fox Lake or South Haven. Aunt Fett's Cottage was on Washington Street. If you were ever a guest at Weingarten's, Pardhane's or Fishell's you know that Washington Street was just a few paces away. Some of the cottages were made of the same wood as the summer homes but they all had something in common—relatives! From the day school was out until Labor Day everyone belonged to someone of one or another town.

On Friday night and Saturday morning, every family had a barbecue. Some of the families would invite all the other families and some were all-year-round homes but they all had one thing in common—relatives! From the day school was out until Labor Day everyone belonged to someone of one or another town.

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And going home. There was always someone from a cottage who wanted a lift back to Chicago. The lap lighted when the sailors got on at Union Pier confident they would find a lift home later with their precious cargo of fresh fish and bagels. This summer on your vacation if you find yourself waiting in crowded terminals and highways, just be glad you're not in the summer.

Vacation plans today always include planned recreations. But back in the days of Beardsley, The Avenue, The bowling alley, Holly's and the Dance Hall and Rooming Houses. Evenings spent promenading on Park Avenue and walking about the beaches; the fashion show of Detroit vs. St. Louis and Chicago at the stadium and the roller rink at all the courts.

What great comics of today probably got their start as a barefoot kid singing or telling jokes while standing by those long wooden tables in the main dining rooms on the nights when there was entertainment. "For Guests Only." The local citizens along with the people of entertainment at all these resorts who went from one to the other.

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Counting Stairs, Checking Mail Boxes Were Summer Activities Of Yesteryear

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The other look over the place. The funny part about it was that each year everyone would return and say we hope the next year's vacation will be better. We'll do it again. The same report and watched the succession of sons take over management and year after year took pride in.

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Temple Topics For Shabas

On Saturday morning, July 16 Rabbi Moses Mencheloff of Congregation KINS of West Rogers Park, 2800 W. North Ave., will preach on "Israel's Inheritance."

Guest speaker, Byron S. Miller, vice president of the Board on Jewish Employment Problems. Will speak on "Jews and Jobs" at Sabbath eve services, July 15 at Niles Township Jewish Congregation, 4800 Dempster st., Skokie.

Mr. Morvin Feinberg will preach on "Watch Your Weakness" during Sabbath evening services at 8:15 p.m. on July 15 at South Shore Temple, Jeffer's Blvd. at 72nd.

At Sabbath Eve Services of Temple Beth Israel, 4300 N. Bernard st., on Friday, July 15, Rabbi B. L. Kurlansky will speak on "HOW TO...

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