

## Rome's Anno Santo

Rome's Holy Year in 1950 is expected to draw about 2 million visitors, including 200,000 from the United States and Canada, according to Le Repertoire des Voyages, European technical touristic journal published 10 times yearly at 152 Champs Elysees, Paris 8, and represented in the United States by the International News Co., 131 Varick St., New York 13. Le Repertoire has an English edition, \$3.50 yearly.

## MOTORING

### For Women

"Travel a la Car" is Carol Lane's (Shell's women's travel director) latest endeavor of 28 pages of tips on how, where, budgeting, packing, etc., for women planning motor trips. It also has some pointers on taking along the children, which incidentally has recently been put to actual test by Miss Lane who took along three children (other people's) age 12, 9, and 6 on a 10-day vacation trip—"for new ideas," she said.

### Motoring Conference in Geneva

Consideration was expected to be given to the abolition of international auto licenses (so that the motorist can travel in any country on his home tag and driving permit) at last month's motoring conference (United Nations Conference on Road and Motor Transport) in Geneva, Switzerland, attended by over 50 nations, including the United States, interested in revising the international agreement of 1926.

### Automotive Output High

United States automotive production the first half of 1949 totaled 2,994,284, a 20 percent increase over the comparable 1948 figure of 2,488,373. June 1949 out-

put was 593,650 compared with 431,046, June 1948.

## AT RANDOM

**MADemoiselle's** Mary Parker comments favorably on the 24-hour round-the-clock child-care service at Ahoia Manor (Fairlee, Vt.), saying that there are countless resorts which provide day nurseries for the children, "but the little dears are back on your hands again at night unless you make special provision for baby sitters," suggesting that other resorts might take note.

**NEARLY** \$900,000 in vacation club checks—a record for the city—was paid out this summer by six Worcester (Mass.) banks, advertises the Worcester Telegram-Gazette.

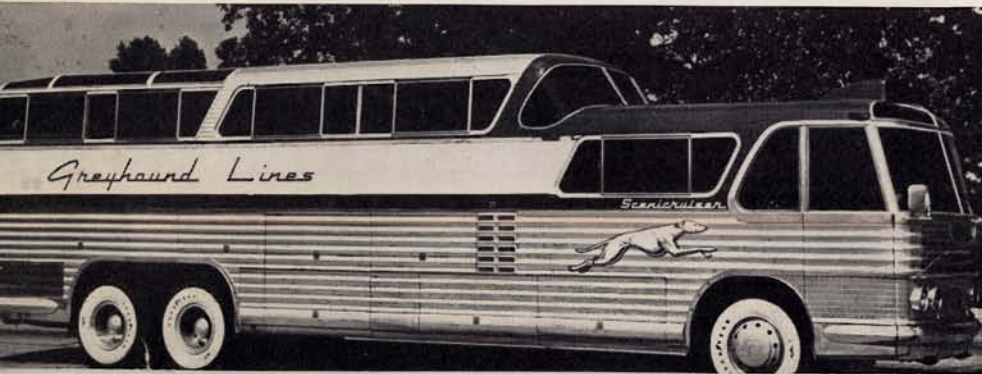
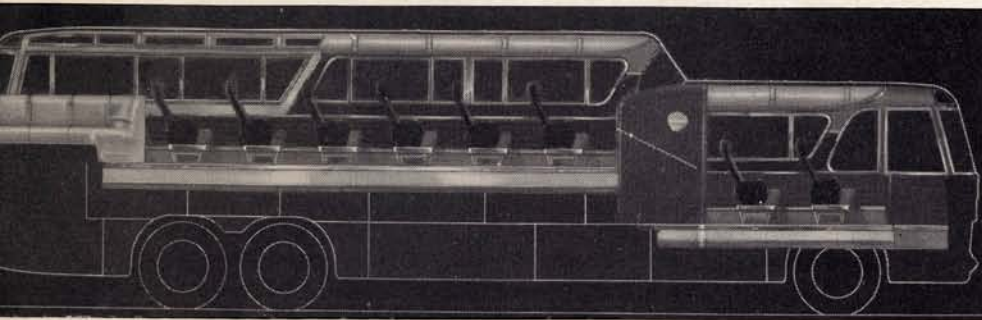
**WISCONSIN'S FIRST OUTDOOR** Exposition is being held September 10-18 at the Milwaukee Auditorium.

**HOLIDAY'S** August issue carries a feature on Grossinger's, famed Catskill Mountain resort near Liberty, N. Y., which on its thirty-fifth anniversary also breaks into film (March of Time) and prepares for still greater popularity by building its own air strip for DC-3 charter service direct from the Teterboro (N. J.) airport.

**MAPS FOR AIR TRAVELERS** with earth-simulating colors and contours as seen from above so that passengers can identify landmarks are being placed in seat pockets of United Air Lines planes. A 16-page booklet contains six double-page charts showing the domestic routes and a one-page chart of the Hawaiian Islands.

**LARGE ROOF WINDOWS** with heat-reflecting glass are special features of the six new buses for sightseers at Yosemite National Park recently added to the fleet of the Yosemite Transportation System.

The new 42-passenger Greyhound Scenicruiser and an "inside view" showing how the raised rear deck gives greater visibility.



## BOOKS

### Received

November 1 will be publication date for the winter edition of Russell Shaw's Southwest Blue Book. Features will include stories about Phoenix, Tucson, Douglas, and El Paso. Annual subscription which includes summer edition, is \$1 from The Russell Shaw Blue Books, 9 North Fifth Avenue, Tucson, Ariz.

University of Washington Press, Seattle 5, offers a specialized publication, Trees of Mt. Rainier National Park, by C. Frank Brockman (\$0.75; 49 pages; illustrated).

June 20 marked the release by Viking Press of Living Granite by Robert J. Dean, which tells the story of Gutzon Borglum and the heroic sculptures of Mount Rushmore (\$1.75; 128 pages; illustrated).

### Noted

Wm. Sloane Associates offers on its fall list New York and the State It's In, by Keith W. Jennison (author of the jocular Vermont Is Where You Find It and The Maine Idea, best-sellers both).

For the record, Pulitzer Prize winner Robert P. Tristram Coffin's Coast Calendar reached book sellers on August 8 (\$3.75). Full of the genuine flavor of Maine, Mr. Coffin's Calendar follows the fortunes of a farm family through a single year.

Dutton will schedule a series of advanced geographies in 1950. The purpose of the series is "to make available the fullest and most up-to-date information on the world." A free prospectus can be obtained from E. P. Dutton & Co., Inc., 300 Fourth Avenue, New York City 10.

Two years of preparation have yielded the first complete history of Vermont. Earle W. Newton's The Vermont Story contains over 150 color plates and combines textual and visual methods in a sensible and pleasant fashion. Copies can be obtained from book sellers or from the publishers, Vermont Historical Society, Montpelier (\$7).

September 22 is publication date of Funk and Wagnalls' (153 East 24th Street, New York City) Fabulous Boulevard (\$3.50). The street in question is Wilshire Boulevard, Hollywood. The title tells the rest.

On November 14 G. C. Merriam Co. (Springfield, Mass.) will offer a new quick-reference source, Webster's Geographical Dictionary (\$8.50; prepublication, \$7).

Little, Brown lists November 21 as release date for Alden and Marion Stevens' The Stevens America: A Guide to the United States (\$5). All travel means are dealt with and 28 recommended trans-continental tours are given in detail.

Washington, D. C.'s Public Affairs Press will issue the 1949 edition of Elmer Jenkins' Guide to America (\$3.75). Mr. Jenkins is travel director of the American Automobile Association. His volume first appeared in 1947 and enjoyed popular and professional success.