Around the World

with *Stan Delaplane*

MAZATLAN, Mexico — I've run into a number of small yachts in West Coast Mexican ports carrying pickup crews of young people. Boats that sleep six to ten.

These boats are usually owned by one man who's short on money. He picks up new crew members as others get off. You never get paid—it's more likely you pay a couple of dollars a day for meals.

But it's a good way to get around for people in the under-25-years bracket.

Best ports to sign on are where people are most likely to get off. The glamor ports. Acapulco, Mazatlan. Honolulu, Tahiti. San Francisco. You won't find vacancies on these boats in poor or unattractive ports.

The way to do it? You go down to the yacht basin and ask around.

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"Our oldest daughter is 20 and wants to go alone to Europe. I would like to know what you think of this . . ."

This is certainly when parents meet the moment of truth. All I can tell you is many young people are traveling alone — this is the time of travel, and they want to see the world. My oldest daughter sailed on small boats (as above), went to Europe alone, worked as a part tmie waitress in Honolulu—and it all turned out fine.

She didn't get into any trouble. Didn't develop a taste for bad companions. She did learn to make poisson cru, the Tahitian raw fish. Learned to cook and sail on small boats. And developed a maturity that was pleasing and startling.

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"How do you get to airports when you are traveling in Europe?"

There's always an airport bus. The airline tells you where they pick up. (You must call airlines to reconfirm your next flight even thought it is written on your ticket. Ask them then.)

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"Where do you suggest for a not too expensive vacation for two college girls?"

Summer is the season of Boy Meets Girl (That's what you mean, isn't it?) I've seen nothing better than the beach resorts. Waikiki Beach at Honolulu is tops. You have the summer vacation group. The summer students at University of Hawaii.

And a big bunch of servicemen. The draft is catching some very eligible and attractive young men. They all come to Waikiki.

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"Can a couple without expensive tastes travel to Mexico and live on $300 a month?"

A group of Americans at Guadalajara did an amateur survey on costs of living in that area. They came up with $300 as being the adequate minimum for a couple. That means supermarket shopping, a modest but pleasant house, gardener and maid.

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"Do you ever recommend hotels in New York? We will have one week . . ."

Two that I like very much. The Stanhope on Fifth Avenue at 81st is small, tasteful. It is opposite the Metropolitan Museum and visiting museum people stay there. The Museum sends over some of their spare paintings. So the lobby usually has some very good ones hung.

The Regency on Park Avenue (closer to midtown) is in the European grand hotel manner. Nicely decorated rooms — some with refrigerator and kitchenette. Service in the best European style. Very good bar and dining room. (Princess Grace of Monaco stays here. That gives you an idea.)

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"In London how do we find out about restaurants?"

British Travel, 680 Fifth Ave., New York City will send you a booklet free.

Japan Airlines sells a small booklet for $1 — "A Man's Guide to London" with restaurants, shops and so on. I'll send you my "Private File for England" free. (Blessed are those who put in a self-addressed, stamped envelope, for they shall be answered first.)

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"Are there good beaches and swimming in Portugal?"

Only fair in my opinion. (But I must say that after you have been on Hawaii beaches, you're spoiled.)

Galbraith To Lecture At College

John Kenneth Galbraith, professor of economics and author of "The Affluent Society," will speak about "Economics and World Affairs," Friday, April 5, at 8 p.m. in the El Camino College auditorium.

A frequent spokesman for American liberals, Galbraith is vice chairman of Americans for Democratic Action. He was an early and avid supporter of President Kennedy.

Galbraith has taught at the Universiy of California, Harvard and Princeton. He received his Ph.D. in economics from the University of California and was Social Science Research Council Fellow at Cambridge University in 1937-38.

Investment Class Set On Mondays

A free investment course will be offered April 8, 22, and 29 in Torrance by the Dean Witter & Co. office, 642 W. Sixth St., Los Angeles.

Account executives Morris Lauterman and Paul Jensen will present the course Monday nights in the Western Savings and Loan Community Room of the Del Amo Center, 21028 Hawthorne Blvd.

Investment course topics will include the stock market's language, operations, and function, advantages and disadvantages of different types of securities, and sound investment principles.

The course is open to the public and will begin at 7:30 p.m.

Plan for School Approved

Final plans for the new $3.5 million Glenn Hammond Curtiss Junior High School in the Dominguez area have been approved by the Los Angeles City Board of Education.

In addition, the school board authorized the district staff to begin accepting construction bids on the project. Bids will be opened April 11.

Superintendent of Schools Jack P. Crowther said the school is expected to open in September, 1969, on a 22.7-acre site near Central Avenue and 500 feet south of Turmont Street.

Designed by the architectural firm of Daniel, Mann, Johnson and Mendenhall, the new school will help prevent overcrowded conditions at neighboring junior high schools.

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DEVELOPMENT of some 5,000 homes in the Dominguez area east of Avalon Boulevard will require the new school to provide relief for Carnegie, Peary, and White junior high schools.

Plans call for 30 general classrooms, four art rooms, two typing rooms, four homemaking classrooms, four industrial arts shops, three music rooms and science laboratories.

In addition, the school will feature physical education facilities with 1,200 girls' lockers and 1,200 boys' lockers, a combination gymnasium floor, administrative center, guidance unit, attendance office, health unit, library and student store.

Sgt. **Robert D. Wiseman**, son of Mr. and Mrs. George B. Wiseman of 1226 Elm Ave., is on duty at Clark AB, Philippines.

Adult Driver Education Offered at Banning High

A driver education class is offered for adults at the Banning Adult School.

A wide range of information on all aspects of the traffic laws with helpful hints on safe driving is covered in the class. The instructor is a supervising driver examiner from the Department of Motor Vehicles.

For the purpose of added interest, ordinary classroom methods are supplemented with demonstration models and sound films on traffic safety and the use of the automobile.

Although new drivers comprise part of the class, drivers from other states and even a few experienced California drivers are enrolled.

Classes are held every Monday and Wednesday evenings from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m. in the Banning High School Building, Pacific Coast Highway and Avalon Boulevard. Applications are now being accepted. For more information call 834-2343