

COLORADO



DENVER



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Denver, capital city of Colorado graces the high plains beneath the Rockies—a beautiful and vigorous community. One of your first impressions is the clean modern appearance of the city. The state Capitol stands just outside the city center facing the city and county building across attractively landscaped grounds.

This is a city of beautiful parks and swimming pools, excellent golf courses and zoo to offer city recreation in a land where nature has provided one of the world's most exciting playgrounds. And on the cultural side, the Colorado Museum of Natural History and the Civic Center theater offer a stimulating variety of education, music and entertainment.

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LAND OF MOUNTAINS



Colorado is the vacation goal of thousands of Americans. And no wonder! There is something tonic about the crisp mountain air, and the brilliance of its sparkling sunshine invites outdoor activity. Combine these with crystal-clear mountain streams and lakes, evergreen forests, some of America's most inspiring mountain scenery and a warm hospitable people and you have the ideal vacationland.

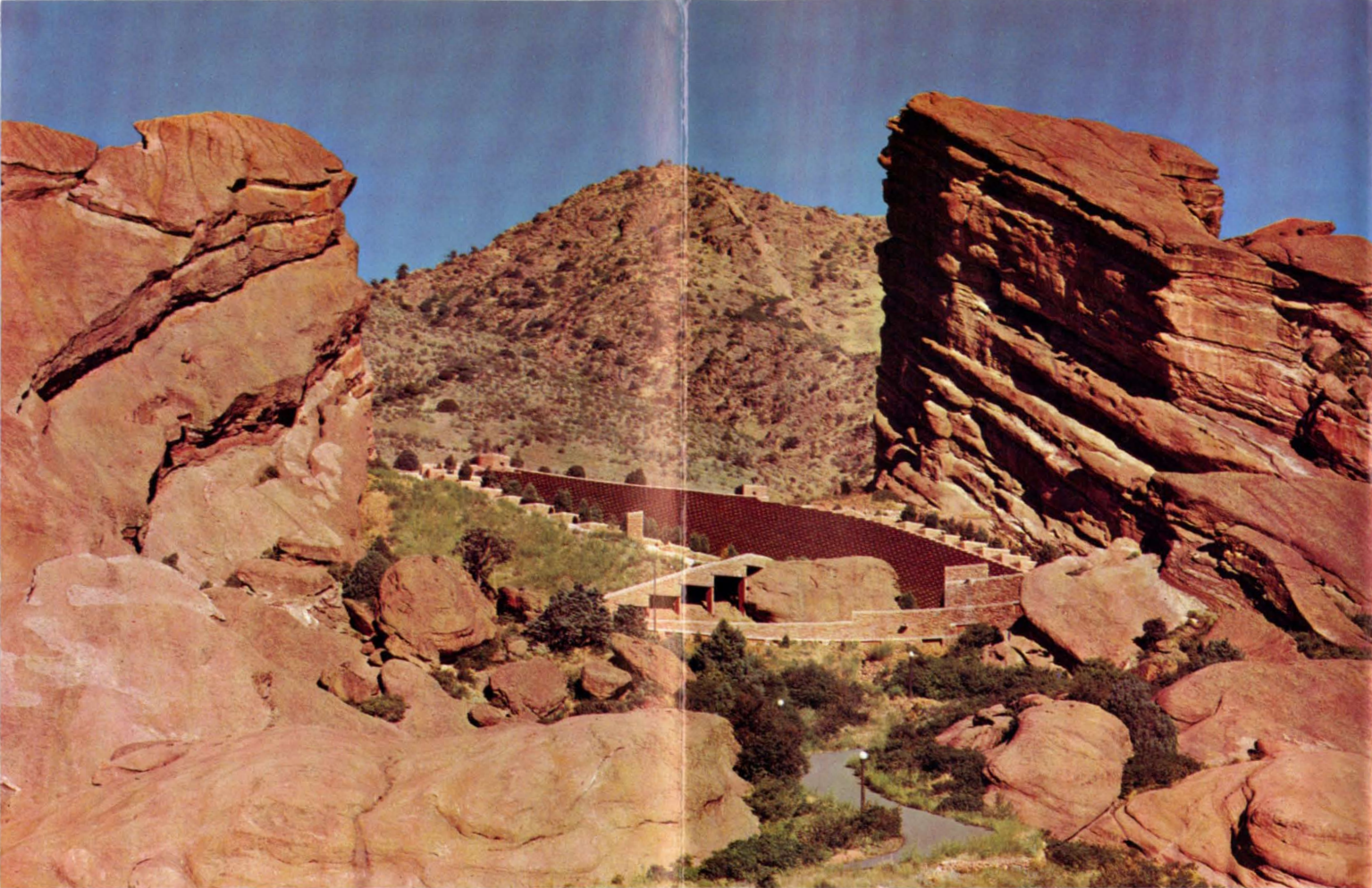
Colorado is one of the most mountainous states in the country. There are thousands of peaks that rise more than two miles and here are many of the nation's really high mountains—those over 14,000 feet. Colorado is the home of Pikes Peak which is perhaps the best known mountain in America—made famous during the gold rush days by the expression "Pikes Peak or bust."

The cool invigorating air here has a magic effect on you. It makes you want to get out and do things. You suddenly realize you have acquired the appetite of a harvest hand. And sleep—well, you'll just naturally sleep like a baby.



Denver Civic Center in Christmas dress

Colorado offers an exciting variety of sports for the vacationer. Fishing probably leads the summer activities, with horse-back riding, hiking, boating and water sports running close in popularity. Federal and state parks and national forests provide camping facilities on over 15,000,000 acres of land, and there are many fine dude ranches tucked into remote high valleys, alongside lakes and streams, to delight both individuals and family groups.



Park of the Red Rocks Stadium near Denver

For a very interesting and pleasant one-day trip take a tour through the Denver Mountain Parks—a 65-mile drive through the foothills to a series of parks owned by the municipality of Denver. As you drive through these natural settings you may encounter elk, deer, buffalo, mountain sheep or other wildlife native to the area. You will find it hard to believe that Denver is so near, as you climb to the summit of Lookout Mountain, site of the grave of Buffalo Bill, famous frontiersman and scout. Here you will also find Pahaska Tepee, a rustic museum containing many of Buffalo Bill's personal articles and mementos

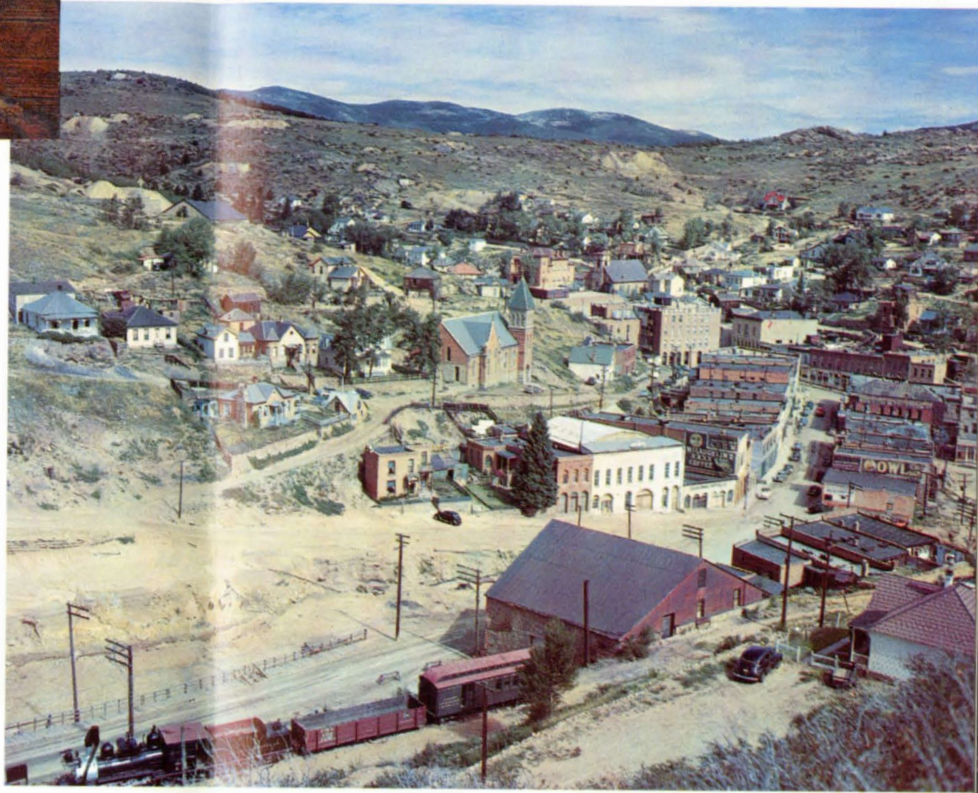
of the early West. The town of Golden lies beneath you like a toy village nestled in the thrilling panorama spreading before you.

Returning, you drive by way of Bergen Park and the scenic gorge of Bear Creek Canyon. And at the Park of the Red Rocks you will want to visit the Amphitheater pictured above. It was carved from the red sandstone cliffs to provide seating capacity for 10,000 persons. Denver's excellent symphony orchestra plays here, and there are performances by some of the world's great ballet troupes.

CENTRAL CITY FESTIVAL



*"The Face on the Barroom Floor"
of the Teller House.*



Central City, historic mining town, now famous for summer opera

The little old mining town of Central City and its famous old Opera House for both opera and summer stock theater was restored in the 1930's. It soon became the center of one of the nation's foremost summer play festivals. The town's historic interest and picturesque setting lend atmosphere reminiscent of the gay nineties. Its productions feature names of outstanding artists from all over the country, for both

theater and opera productions. The Teller House, a Victorian hotel of early mining days, was also restored and improved beyond its original elegance. It is here that the well-known painting, "Face on the Barroom Floor" was produced, and can still be seen, though it has become dimmed with age. It is also possible to tour the gold mines that gave rise to the old boom town.



Fall scene, San Juan Mountains

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year 'round
vacation
land

Snow-covered aspens along road to Bear Lake



Colorado is a state of exceptional beauty and exhilarating climate, free from extremes of intense heat or severe cold. Though the air is sunny and dry there is water everywhere, in streams and lakes throughout the mountains. Active sports are very popular—the fishing ranks with the best in the nation. Mountain streams and high lakes produce fighting trout and Kokanee salmon, while the plains lakes offer warm water species such as perch, bass, cat-fish and pike.

With all its mountains, Colorado is a climber's paradise, and everywhere camera fans thrill to the rich colors and spectacular vistas.

This is a land of wonderful trails and campgrounds. Dude ranches in high hidden valleys and forest clearings offer a unique and truly satisfying vacation for those who want to rough it under the secure supervision of experienced guides.

And in winter, skiing has become so popular and widespread throughout the state that it may soon surpass summer sports.



Chamber Lake—La Poudre Canyon

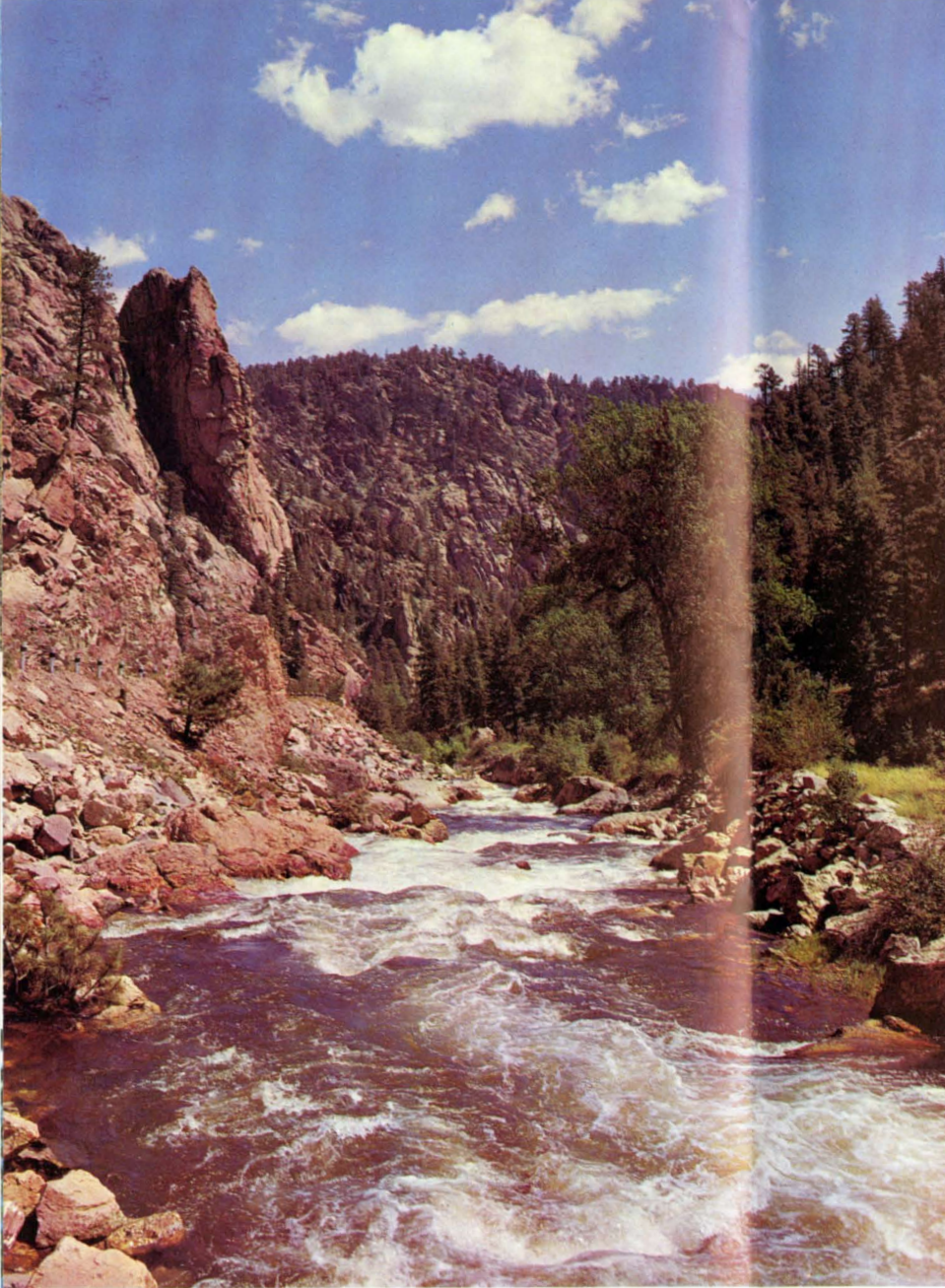
BOULDER • FORT COLLINS • GREELEY

Boulder, a thriving community and home of the University of Colorado, lies only 29 miles northwest of Denver. It is a starting point for trips to glaciers and peaks in and near Rocky Mountain National Park. Just 27 miles from Denver is the attractive town of Eldorado Springs, so named because of its hot and cold springs. North of Denver are the charming cities of Greeley and Ft. Collins, both on the motor bus routes to Rocky Mountain National Park. Greeley, seat of the Colorado State College of Education, was settled by New Englanders under the patronage of

Horace Greeley in 1870 about the time Greeley's slogan "Go West, young man" was becoming famous. Ft. Collins is the home of

Colorado State University and is situated on Cache la Poudre River. Many excellent resorts lie along its banks upstream.





BIG THOMPSON CANYON

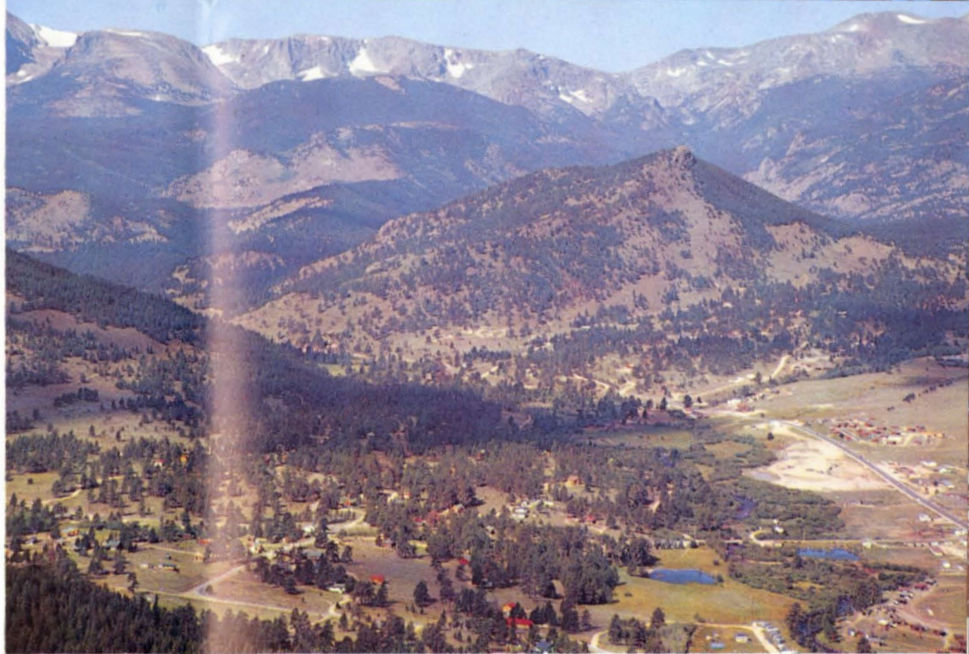
Turning west from Loveland toward Estes Park you enter the canyon of the Big Thompson River. For a 16-mile stretch the river drops 3000 feet in a raging foaming torrent between towering granite walls sometimes 1200 feet high. This is a spectacular sight as the highway follows the canyon, alternately narrowed to the river's edge and then widening to tree covered glens carpeted with lovely wild flowers. Rustic cabins have been built in these attractive settings.

Big Thompson River



ESTES PARK

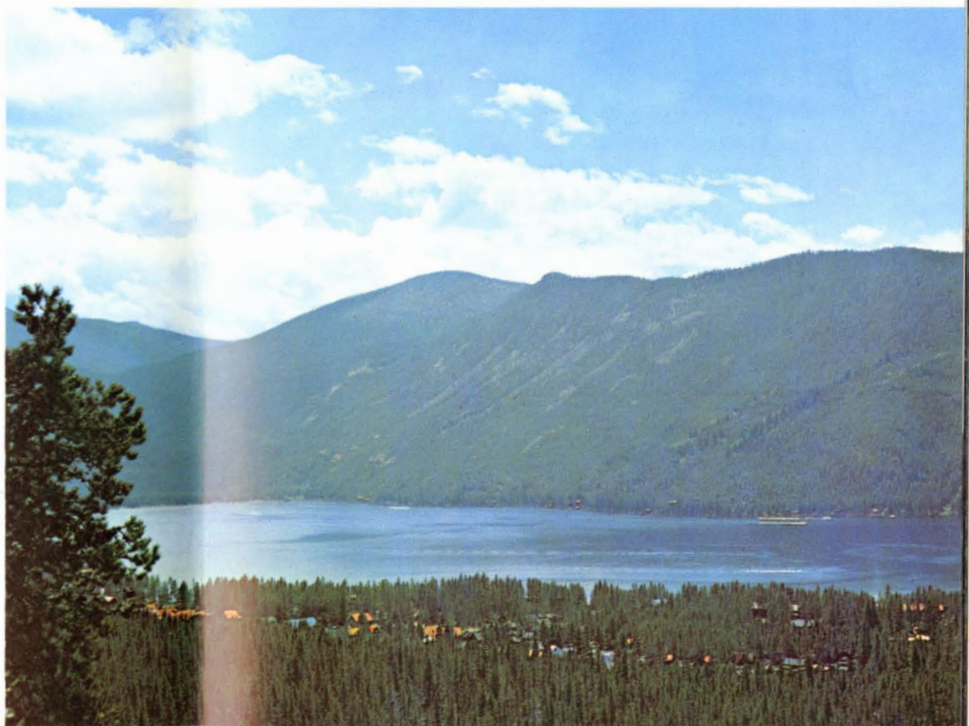
As you approach Estes Park Village a magnificent panorama opens up before you. In a lovely valley ringed by lofty mountains Estes Park has been a mountain resort since 1865, and is still an ideal base from which to see the east side of Rocky Mountain National Park. You can take a saddle or hiking trip to outstanding scenic areas such as Longs Peak and Chasm Lake . . . The Twin Sisters peaks . . . Moraine Park . . . Wild Basin and Bear Lake, Dream Lake, Tyndall Glacier and Flat Top Mountain . . . all beauty spots.



Estes Park from aerial tramway on Prospect Mountain

GRAND LAKE

From Estes Park, take the Trail Ridge Road through Hidden Valley and past Mummy Range, up above timberline and across the Continental Divide to a breathtaking vista of the Medicine Bow and Never Summer ranges and the heavily forested la Poudre region, down Milner Pass through cool green forests to picturesque Grand Lake. This largest of Colorado natural lakes lies just outside Rocky Mountain National Park. From its rustic lodge and surrounding guest cabins you can look down on the lake dotted with sail and power boats. Grand Lake is noted for its excellent fishing.



Placid Grand Lake is rimmed by lofty mountains

This new recreation area consists of Shadow Mountain and Granby Lakes, and the Federal lands immediately surrounding. The area is located between Grand Lake and Granby and adjoins the west entrance to Rocky Mountain National Park. It is under the same National Park administration with headquarters in Estes Park.

The area was established in 1952 to make available to the public certain features of the Bureau of Reclamation's Colorado-Big Thompson Project, adaptable for recreation.

During the summer, Ranger-Naturalists of the Park Service conduct nature trips and evening programs at various locations, as well as guided tours through the Granby Pumping Plant.

The Shadow Mountain area offers a variety of activities: camping, horseback riding (horses available at Grand Lake), swimming, hiking, picnicking and mountain climbing. Sightseeing boat cruises on Shadow Mountain and Granby Lakes are available.

Fishing here is always at its best. The fishing laws of the State apply in the area and a license is required. The season is normally from late May to October 31.

The nearby towns of Grand Lake and Granby offer a variety of resort accommodations. Accommodations are also available at Grand Lake Lodge, or at popular Dude Ranches in this region.

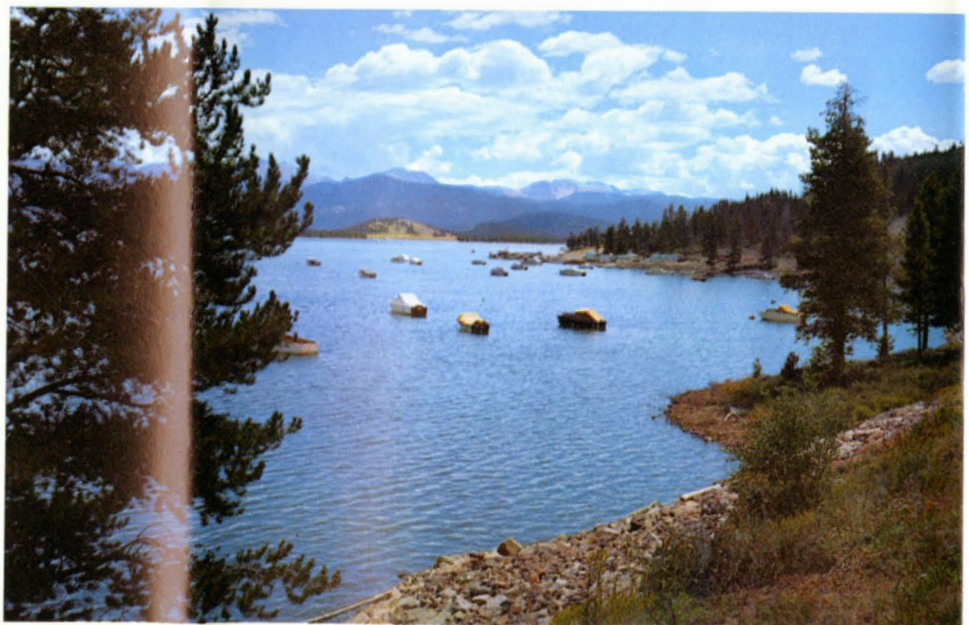


Trail Ridge Road

SHADOW MOUNTAIN



Picturesque boat harbor on Granby Lake



COLORADO GHOST TOWN

Exploring Colorado's ghost towns is a favorite vacation pastime for many. Dozens of such towns dot the high mountain-sides and valleys throughout the state. They were built in the hey-day of mining bonanza times starting 100 years ago.

Among such towns which are of comparatively easy access are:

St. Elmo, located southwest of Buena Vista. More than a score of buildings, including the old general store and the city hall, are preserved.

Waldorf, located south of Georgetown, some 60 miles west of Denver. Waldorf was the site of a silver mining mill at the foot of Argentine Pass.

Buckskin Joe, located north of Fairplay, and not to be confused with the restored village of the same name on the banks of the Royal Gorge; Tin Cup, northeast of Gunnison.



Red Mountain Pass near Silverton



Maroon Belles and Maroon Lake, near Aspen

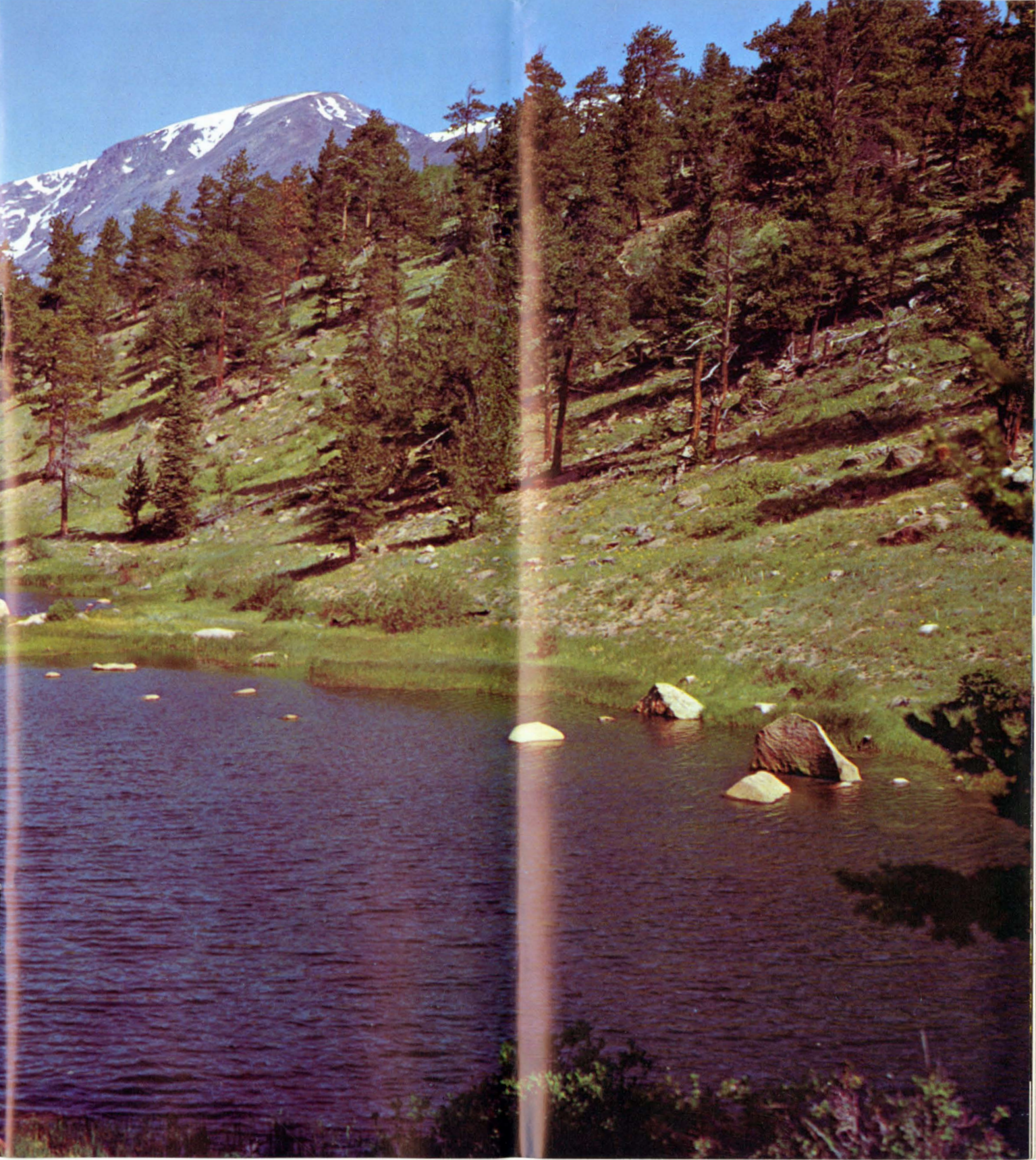
ASPEN

Aspen, famed as one of Colorado's leading ski resorts becomes a renowned summer recreation area when the snows melt. Here students gather to combine outdoor activities so typical of Colorado with learning at the Aspen Institute for Humanistic Study and the Aspen Music School. The famous Maroon Belles and Maroon Lake are favorites with the shutter bugs, and the same area attracts big game hunters in the fall.





"Fishing a Beaver Pond
Beneath Mummy Range"



COLORADO SPRINGS



Colorado Springs was founded in 1871 as a planned community with broad thoroughfares and beautiful parks. The area was publicized as a health resort and scenic wonderland and soon became a fashionable spa of international renown. Today it is one of the world's most beautiful cities with parks and playgrounds in natural settings of breathtaking beauty. It is the gateway to the Pikes Peak region, and is famous for its golf and tennis tournaments, with fine courses and courts open to tourists. Colorful square dances, popular survivors of the Old West are held weekly in Acacia and Bancroft parks. Ice skaters can whirl and glide the year around at the Broadmoor Ice Palace. Sightseeing tour possibilities seem endless. A few examples are to: the Garden of the Gods, Cave of the Winds, Seven Falls and Helen Hunt Falls, Cheyenne Mountain summit, Will Rogers Memorial, Pikes Peak, and the Air Force Academy.

*Graceful Will Rogers Memorial,
Colorado Springs*

GARDEN OF THE GODS

Another delightful trip just a few miles from Colorado Springs, takes you to the beautiful Garden of the Gods. Here in a setting of massive nature-carved red rocks you will find some excellent views of Pikes Peak. You'll see the famous 400-ton Balanced Rock towering 313 feet in the air, Steamboat Rock, and hundreds of other formations. For more thrills and beautiful views take the cable railway ride from Manitou Springs to Manitou Park at its summit.



The Garden of the Gods and venerable Pikes Peak

PIKES PEAK REGION

Pikes Peak gained lasting fame during the gold rush days when prospectors lettered "Pikes Peak or Bust" signs on their gear. Today this 14,110 foot mountain boasts an auto road to its summit, as well as a cog railroad. The trip up is an adventure never to be forgotten, and the view from the top is magnificent.

Broadmoor Hotel, Colorado Springs

CAVE OF THE WINDS

You will also want to visit Cave of the Winds, two miles from Manitou Springs through beautiful Williams Canyon. There are guides to take you through the underground chambers.



AIR FORCE ACADEMY

The Air Force Academy, located just north of Colorado Springs has quickly become one of Colorado's favorite travel attractions. It occupies 17,500 acres in a dramatic setting against the Rampart Range beyond which Pikes Peak appears to stand eternal sentinel duty. Here the United States Air Force cadets receive four years of academic training designed to prepare them for responsibility as officers of the U.S. Air Force.



Parading Air Force Cadets and Academy Inter-faith Chapel



"Springtime in the Rockies" Mt. Elbert, Colorado's highest, 14,431 ft.



SAN ISABEL

From southwest of Pueblo, the San Isabel National Forest extends north from the Spanish Peaks through the Sangre de Cristo Mountains and the Collegiate Peaks to the Sawatch Mountains near historic Leadville. For scenic beauty the forest ranks second to none. There are 20 peaks over 14,000 feet high, including Mt. Elbert (pictured left). The Spanish Peaks were quite a landmark for early explorers. The Sangre de Cristo range is the longest, highest, straightest and most rugged single line range in the world. There are many outdoor recreation centers such as Twin Lakes, Lake Isabel and Cottonwood Lake.

MESA VERDE

Tucked away in the far southwest corner of Colorado, Mesa Verde National Park is perhaps strangest of all the wonders of this wonderful state. Remains of dwellings of a long forgotten race have survived in caves built in the sheer canyon cliffs. Strangely enough many of the dwellings of this civilization, which flourished about the time of the birth of Christ, are still in a good state of preservation. Buses serve the area from Durango during the summer and lodge accommodations are available at Mesa Verde National Park.

Cliff Palace, Mesa Verde National Park



DUDE RANCHES

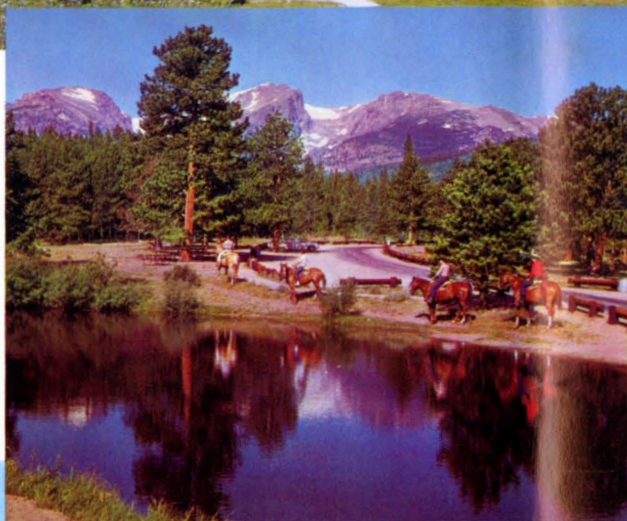
in Colorado

Dude Ranch vacations are growing in popularity each year. This is an ideal way for the city dwelling tenderfoot to get next to nature and rough it. He can do it safely under experienced supervision, and comfortably in rustic but adequate accommodations. Food is usually simple, plentiful and tasty — spiced by an appetite sharpened by exercise and fresh air. Dude vacations are great either single or in family groups.





*Saddle trips,
Swimming and
Fishing rate
high with
Dudes*



The Colorado Dude and Guest Ranch Association maintains a Denver office and will supply you detailed information about member ranches. Each ranch must meet high standards to qualify for membership. The high percentage of repeat business at these ranches is the best evidence of satisfied customers.

Some ranches operate only during the June through October season, others operate the year around.

BOYS' & GIRLS' CAMPS

Several Colorado dude ranches and camps specialize on programs for youngsters from about 8 through 18. Their activities include training in horsemanship, fishing, forestry, Indian lore and nature study. Overnight saddle trips, swimming, boating, archery and rifle practice are sometimes included. This is an experience that invariably hardens a youngster's muscles, brightens his eye and gives him new confidence in himself.

Skiing in Colorado is all you could hope for whether you're an international expert or a complete novice. The best slopes, perfect snow and sunny not-too-cold weather guarantee Colorado a favored spot in the hearts of skiers everywhere.



WINTER WONDERLAND



The best skiing in Colorado is within easy reach of Denver, by train, bus or rental auto. Highways are excellent and accommodations are varied enough to meet all your requirements.





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Mt. Hood, Oregon in the beautiful Northwest—land of lush green forests, breathtaking seascapes, sparkling streams and lakes.



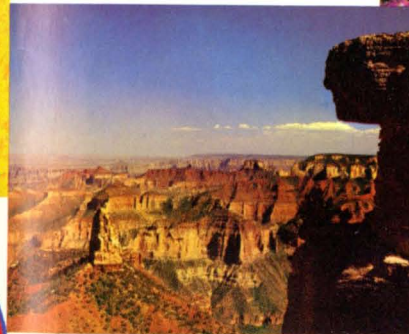
Riverside Geyser in famous Yellowstone National Park, nature's wonderland and animal sanctuary.



Flowers and sunshine the year around attract vacationers across the nation to Southern California.

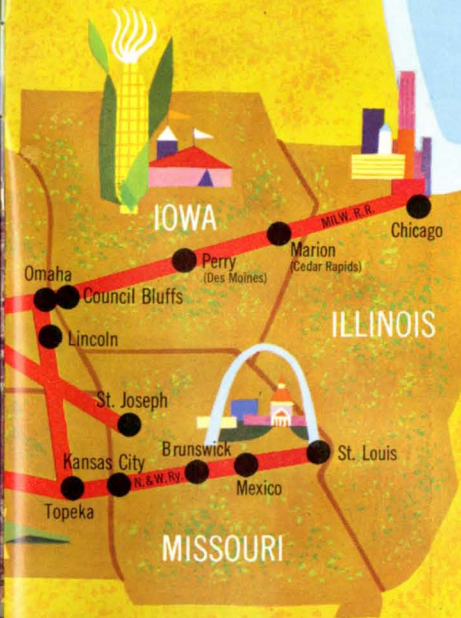


Grand Canyon, a magnificent chasm of vast expanses towering cliffs and rich colors.



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