

Traveling Into America's Future: Vintage Departures

In the early days of the 20th century, the United States was a vast and unknown land. For most Americans, travel was a rare and expensive luxury. But for those who could afford it, there was no better way to see the country than by train.

The golden age of rail travel in America lasted from the 1880s to the 1950s. During this time, the railroads built some of the most iconic trains in the world, including the 20th Century Limited, the Super Chief, and the Union Pacific's Big Boy. These trains were not only fast and efficient, but they were also luxurious and comfortable.



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To promote their services, the railroads produced a series of stunning travel posters. These posters captured the excitement and adventure of exploring the United States. They featured images of towering mountains, sparkling

lakes, and bustling cities. And they promised travelers a chance to experience the best of America, from the Atlantic to the Pacific.

Today, these vintage travel posters are a valuable window into the past. They offer a glimpse of the way Americans saw their country during a time of great change and growth. And they continue to inspire travelers of all ages to explore the United States.

The Posters

The posters in this book are drawn from the collection of the Library of Congress. They include some of the most iconic travel posters ever produced, as well as many rare and unseen images. Each poster is accompanied by a detailed caption that provides information about the artist, the date, and the destination.

The posters are divided into four chapters:

- **The East:** This chapter features posters from the eastern United States, from Maine to Florida. The posters capture the region's rich history, culture, and natural beauty.
- **The Midwest:** This chapter features posters from the Midwest, from Ohio to Iowa. The posters capture the region's vast agricultural landscapes, its industrial cities, and its friendly people.
- **The West:** This chapter features posters from the western United States, from Texas to California. The posters capture the region's stunning natural beauty, its rugged frontiers, and its vibrant cities.
- **The South:** This chapter features posters from the southern United States, from Virginia to Louisiana. The posters capture the region's

unique culture, history, and cuisine.

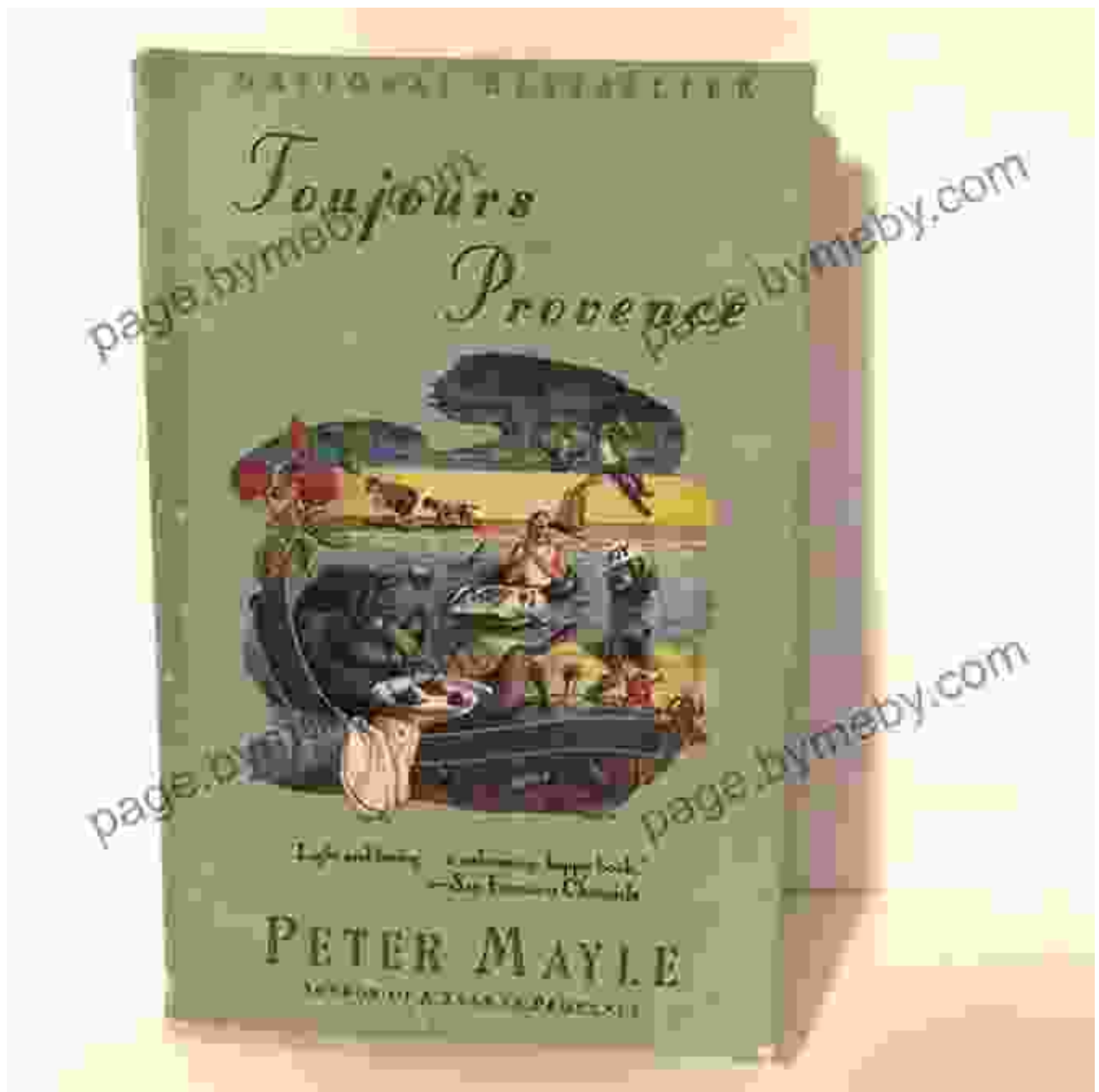
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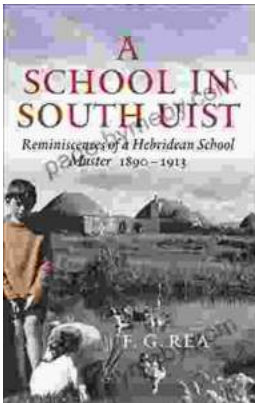
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