

Six scenes from a Modern Pilgrimage

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Just
one last summer of legitimate
youth. California called. I
accepted the charges.

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I
was in a San Jose ghetto on
Uncle's two hundredth birthday.
They had fireworks there, too.

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Some
toothless bums played their harmonicas
near the San Francisco pier
where signs said "Boat tours here."

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I
stayed at my brother's house for two weeks.
He was gone during the day.
I used his swimming pool.

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Three
pretty girls lived just across the street.
I mowed the lawn five times while
I was there. We both died.

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My
brother asked what my college major
would be. I said, "Undeclared."
He said he'd been there once.
