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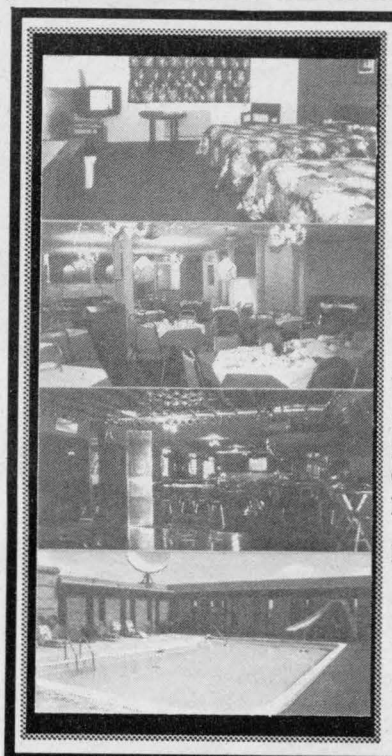

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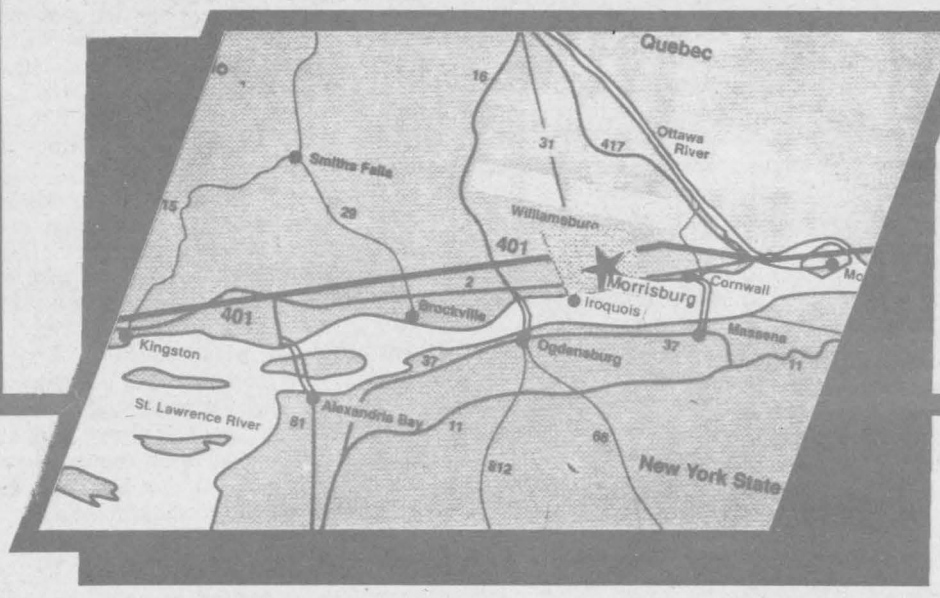

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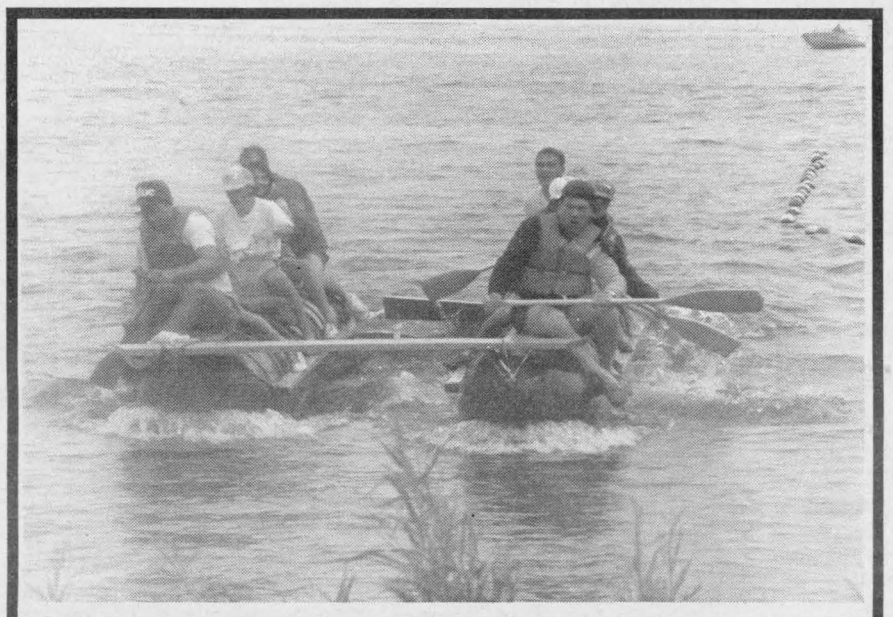

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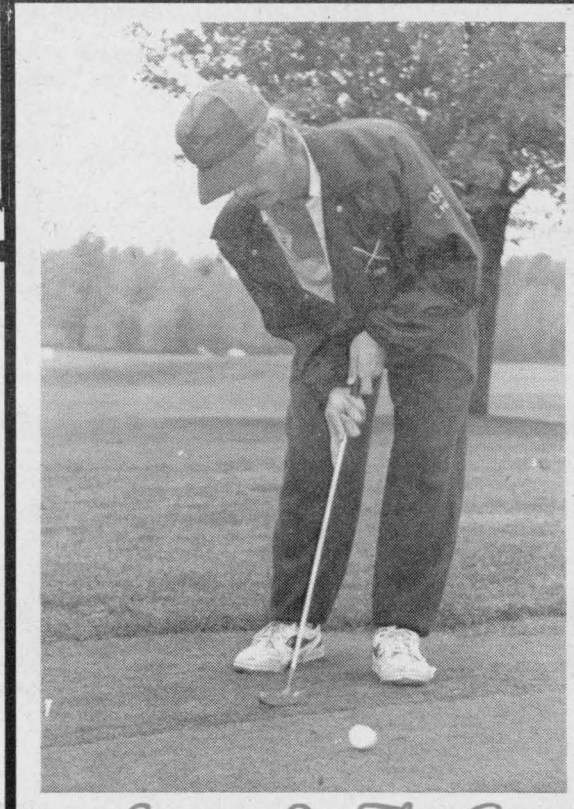

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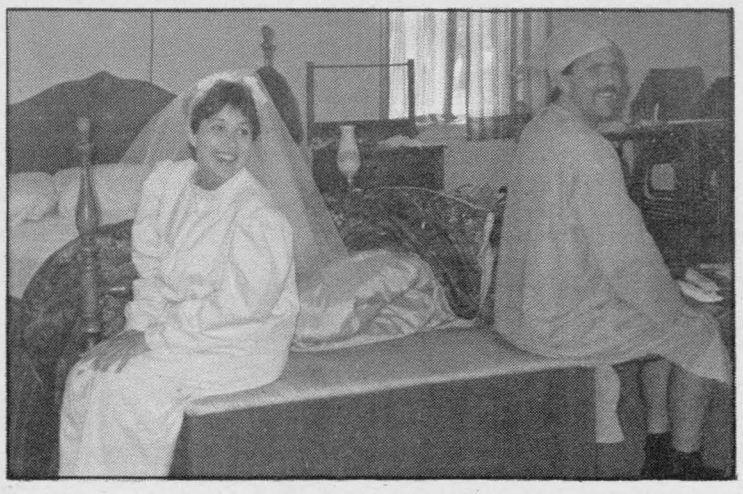

PLAYHOUSE: Professional summer theatre in Morrisburg.

Upper Canada Playhouse offers busy theatre schedule

The Upper Canada Playhouse in Morrisburg, one of the finest summer theatres in Ontario will begin the summer schedule with a show for children, Lonesome Louie's Junk-Yard Blues. This premiere show will run from June 15th to June 20th.

May and Brian have left the big city to open a bed and breakfast on Canada's East coast. However Brian decides he's not cut out for country living, takes his car phone and hits the road. The Affections of May, begins on the 4th of July and will run until the 22nd.

July 25th to August 12th, East of Elvis, a quirky dark comedy is sure to entertain. The rumpling household is plagued by an approaching hurricane, a nosy neighbour, a stubborn cat an eccentric aunt and an uncle who is now dead and buried.

Shirley Valentine, by Willie Russell will run from the 15th of August to September 6th. Shirley's inward and outward journey is brilliantly shown with humour, warmth and insight by Willie Russell, author of the acclaimed Educating Rita.

The Honeymooners, everyone's favorite married couples, and a U.C.P. Premiere, is more than just a re-creation of the famous television show, and it promises to match each "on the air" sequence with a behind the scenes exploration of the unique relationship between Gleason and Carney.

An annual sellout event at the Playhouse, Lucien will visit for four nights only, June 27th, 28th, 30th and the first of July.

Show time is 8p.m., and for more information on the free parking, wheelchair accessability, gift certificates, group rates or special box office hours, call the box office at (613) 543-3713, or fax (613) 543-4388.

Morrisburg a busy Seaway centre

An oasis for residents, boaters and visitors, the Village of Morrisburg has a great deal to offer men and women of all ages.

With a population of 2300, the Village of Morrisburg was first established in the mid 1800's. Although the farmland in the area was poor, many hardy United Empire Loyalists endured to establish homesteads.

The first post office in the small Village along the St. Lawrence was built by a Mr. James Morris. Residents of the day were grateful and in honour of Mr. Morris's contribution, named the Village Morrisburg.

Many activities take seed early in the spring and by the time summer has rolled around, golf, tennis, baseball, soccer, and shuffleboard, keep the residents and visitors busy.

Another favorite summer activity, Theatre at the Upper Canada Playhouse is enjoyed by thousands of people each and every year. Situated in what was once a toothbrush factory, (Odonto,) the building has now been totally renovated and with air-conditioning, is one of the most comfortable summer theatres in Ontario.

In the 1950's, with the addition of the St. Lawrence Seaway, many homes and businesses had to be relocated to the north end of the town. In the late 1980's, community organizations band together and decided to recreate the early years and turn the once modern shopping mecca back in time and recapture the old Main Street atmosphere.

The majestic St. Lawrence River provides a natural playground for the residents and the many visitors.

The activity at the two-ramp boat launch is constantly increasing. Pleasure boaters and sports fishermen, both local and out-of-town, pay no user fee.

One of the fishing highlights of the season occurs on the first long weekend in August. The Ottawa Bass Club holds a day long derby beginning in the early hours and ending with a weigh-in at the municipal dock around 4:30 in the afternoon.

This weekend is also Morrisburg's summer claim to fame, "The Tubie Races". Groups of interested individuals get together early in the summer and begin building wooden frames and lashing tire tubes filled with air to the frames.

On the Saturday afternoon, the crafts are decorated and a parade around the Village kicks off the festivities. In the evening a dance comparable to no other within a radius of at least 40 miles takes place until the wee hours of the morning.

On Sunday the crafts are loaded into trailers and taken to Mariatown where they are put in the water and raced to the beach in Morrisburg.

St. Lawrence Parks Commission has lots to offer visitors to area

Upper Canada Village, located 7 miles east of the Village of Morrisburg has been a major tourist attraction in eastern Ontario since it was built in the sixty's.

A small theme village featuring everything a modern town of the mid 1800's would have to offer; what makes this attraction so attractive, is not necessarily the gorgeous surrounding landscape, or the authentic structures in the village itself, but the people who operate the stores, local Cook's Tavern, Loucks Farm, and the Tenant Farm among others, that make the visit exciting each and every time.

The village interpreters dress in character and are trained to explain the history of their particular jobs in detail, and in general the jobs of their counterparts.

All this might sound a little much for young children, but this is not so. Horse pulled wagons tour visitors around the Village and the children can actually watch and pet a wide variety of animals that would have been found in the 1860's.

The Village also specializes in special events. Different work shops are held throughout the year, and in the summer each long weekend is marked with some sort of special entertainment.

The St. Lawrence Parks Commission also looks after a host of campsites in the area. The closest to Morrisburg, Riverside/Cedar, is the Commission's biggest campsite with over 300 sites, electrical lots, dumping stations, showers, boat launching ramp, and beach, as well as a wide variety of different types of outdoor recreational activities for individuals or the family.

A little farther down the road at Ingleside, the Commission also controls three campsites on the Long Sault Parkway. The Parkway is a long causeway connecting seven islands that did not flood when the Seaway went through.

At the west end of the Parkway McClarren is close to the shower facilities that the three campsites share, and gives the camper a panoramic view of the St. Lawrence River and American coastline.

In the middle of the Parkway, Woodlands faces the south hand side of Lake St. Lawrence and fishing is also a favorite pastime for campers.

The Campsite at the west end of the Parkway, Milles Roche, is always packed on long weekends, providing a great spot for couples to meet others and with the Milles Roche beach and picnic area across the road, it is also a favorite with the young people.

Nature trails and various picnic areas also make the Parkway a great place to visit for an afternoon, or as a place to relax on a long trip.

Speed limits in kilometres

Tourists should be warned that the fines for disobeying Ontario's rigidly-enforced speed limits rose considerably last year.

Speed is measured in kilometres (km) in Ontario.

Freeways and Trans Canada routes have limits of 90 km/h (56 mph) or 100 km/h (62 mph).

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Highways and country roads have a speed limit of 80 to 90 km/h (50 to 56 mph). If the limit is not posted on signs, then it automatically becomes 80 km/h.

A driver who exceeds the speed limit by 1-19 km/h is subject to a fine of $51.25.

Anyone doing 20 km/h over the limit can be fined $78.75. The fine rises by $3.75 for each additional kilometre over the speed limit, up to 34 km/h.

Exceeding the speed limit by 35 km/h brings a fine of $213.75. For each additional kilometre up to 49 km/h, add another $6.

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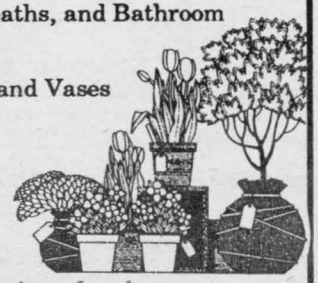

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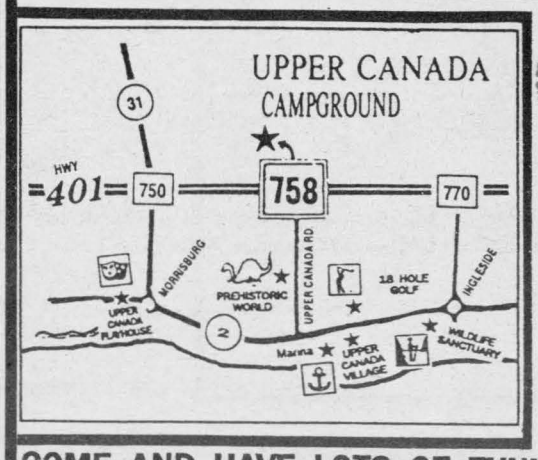

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Cardinal

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St. Lawrence, the playground and park, are easily accesible and inviting to youngsters. Upon further investigation, the visitor will discover a tempting, stretch of sand covered beach awaiting on the other side.

Boat ramps are accessible to the Cardinal Point Marina, and for those just venturing into the area for a day without the means of getting out on that shimmering water, boat rentals are available at the Marina to allow a great day of fishing. All bait needs can be tended to right here too!

Slip rentals are reasonably priced at $275/17 foot slip, for a season ($16.50/foot extra). Slip rentals are also available on a monthly and daily basis. Call 657-1327 for more information. Shawn and Audrey will be more than happy to help.

Fuel prices at the Cardinal Point Marina & Live Bait, are some of the most reasonable to be found on the river, and while stopping in for gas, check out the variety of concessionary and ice cream snacks on hand to ease the hungries. Or, a picnic can be enjoyed right out on the point, at one of the picnic tables provided.

The view is magnificent! Enjoy!

Heritage tour

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shopping plaza was built to serve the buying public. Many historic and dignified older homes remain today and provide a link with the past, if only they could speak!

As the expedition continues and Morrisburg is reached, **Upper Canada Playhouse** jumps out announcing professional theatre available to all.

Docking and all the amenities are there for the boating public. Always busy with sports and family type activities Morrisburg is one place to spend more than a few moments.

Campers can take a break at **Riverside-Cedar Park.** The St. Lawrence beacons and the treed plots offer solice for the weary traveller.

Next stop along the historic avenue has to be **Prehistoric World,** where a continually expanding project looms like a tribute to the exciting age of the Dinosaur. Strolling through tree covered paths it is possible to not only see, but to touch full sized reproductions of those relics from the past. From small primitive amphibians to the giants (Tyrannosaurs Rex), from 10 til 5, Mid May through mid October, an experience awaits each of you.

Crysler Park Marina offers complete food, fuel and docking facilities, and all within walking distance of the Village, Golf Course, Battle Field and Gardens.

The smell of fresh baked bread will draw the rambler into **Upper Canada Village,** as they drive ever east on Highway 2. This reconstructed pioneer Village provides a full day of activities for the entire family. The **Village Store** has souvenirs that will let you treasure the memories made here.

A new **Garden Restaurant** opens this year and fast food is available on site. Mid May to Mid October from 9:30 til 5 or 6pm after June), the costumed interpretive workers await your arrival. Step back into your heritage and enjoy life as it must have been at the turn of the century, it is an encounter you will not soon forget. A number of evening activities are also operated to animate the Village, check at the gate for times etc.

Queen Elizabeth Gardens affords the horticulturalist photo opportunities and features over 70 varieties of rare and lovely roses and wildflowers.

The Battle of Crysler Farm Visitor Centre next to Upper Canada Village is the site of a battle that saw invaders repelled, four times the size of the mish-mash militia who used ingenuity to overcome strength.

Across the Highway is the **Upper Canada Golf Course** for avid putters and drivers. An airstrip allows daylight useage and has no fuel or oil offered.

As we move to the east, we are just about out of our area. Last stop would be the **Upper Canada Migratory Bird Sanctuary**, a bird watchers paradise this is a haven for countless species throughout the seasons, including incredibly large concentrations of Canada Geese. There are trails through the area and a new visitor centre affords a closer look at details of the region and the waterfowl therein. Bird banding and feeding take place during the fall and educational programs are offered.

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St. Lawrence Seaway reshaped area

The St. Lawrence River has long held the reputation of being North America's finest river. It is unusually straight; it is the most stable river in the world; it leads to the Great Lakes reaching into the heart of the Continent; its eastern section as far as the city of Montreal was fit for ocean-going vessels.

However, its major flaw lay in the 182km stretch from Prescott to Montreal. The west 80km shared by Canada and the United States was known as the International Rapids Section - rough water and rapids - the most spectacular being the 1.6km long Long Sault Rapids. Another 90km of lakes and rapids lay entirely within Canada.

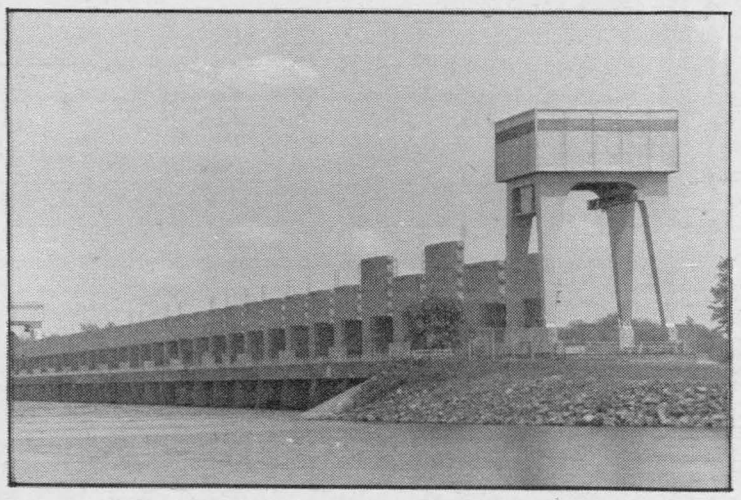
This area had long been a bottleneck to transportation. Canals and locks had improved the situation, but with locks built in 1900, only small river boats could be accommodated. Plans to develop a deep-water seaway had long been drawn-up and delayed for decades. By 1952 Canada felt a pressing need to undertake the project. In May, 1954, the United States formally agreed and the St. Lawrence Seaway was on its way to becoming a reality.

The Ontario Hydro Electrical Commission and the Power Authority of the State of New York were prepared to swing into action at the same time. Ontario Hydro had plans as early as 1913 to tap the electrical potential of the Long Sault Rapids. The 14 metre drop in the river-bed at this point made it the logical place for a generation station which would produce 1,880,000 kilowatts.

In the four years from 1954 to July 1 1958, the river lands from Iroquois to Cornwall were reshaped and became the scene of constant activity. The massive construction, the accompanying destruction, and the necessary relocation for both projects required the combined efforts of a work force of over 11,000 people.

It was the formation of the 60km long Lake St. Lawrence (the headpond for the dam) that so radically affected the lives of 6500 people on the Canadian side. In Dundas County, as well as Iroquois, one-third of the town of Morrisburg including its business section was relocated. In Stormont County to the east, the people of four villages, Aultsville, Farran's Point, Dickinson's Landing and Wales were moved to the new town of Ingleside. Further east in Cornwall Township, the villages of Moulinette and Milles Roches, were united in the town of Long Sault.

The Lake which flooded in 160 square km made necessary the relocation of a railroad, roads, churches, schools, graveyards, businesses and homes. As you drive along the shore line of this new lake, look to the south and try to visualize the six and a half communities and adjoining farms that disappeared as the waters slowly rose on July 1, 1958.



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Iroquois "Best Little Town by a Dam Site!"

The "Best Little Town by a Dam Site" is the only Village completely relocated due to the St. Lawrence Seaway project. The flooding which occurred when the power project was completed covered the former site of the Village which was incorporated in 1857, one hundred years after.

Situated on the picturesque north shore of the mighty St. Lawrence River, a convenient driving distance from the capital of Canada, Ottawa, as well as Montreal and Kingston, Iroquois is close to vital transportation links like the Highway 401 and scenic, historic, Highway 2.

The Village maintains an excellent Tent and Trailer Campground, a fine Motel, Restaurants that cater to every taste and a business sector with shops to fulfill needs of travellers on vacation or just passing through.

A wealth of year round Recreation is available in the Village, including biking, (bicycle path runs near the River and provides a scenic ride), tenting and camping, outdoor seasonal skating, lawn bowling, fishing, tennis, golf, (9 hole course which affords a panoramic view of the Seaway locks and the ocean going vessels), swimming, marina facilities, a Library, an air strip, a tourist information booth with cheerful and helpful people to assist with any directions you may require for the area. The Carman House Museum opens in June and gives a historic visit to the 1820s to all who cross the door stoop.

Minutes away is the original site of the world famous MacIntosh apple at Dundela, north of town on County Road 18, east of Dixons' Corners. (Brinston Road).

Bed and Breakfast's abound in the area and have a welcome out for all.

Whether lounging or on the move, there is something for everyone in Iroquois, make plans now to drop by this summer and see for yourself.

Iroquois Ike soon to be household word

He is not yet well known, but it won't be long before he becomes a household word and a friend to all in the area...Iroquois Ike.

He is a barometer as to when things should get started each spring on the mighty St. Lawrence in the vicinity of Iroquois.

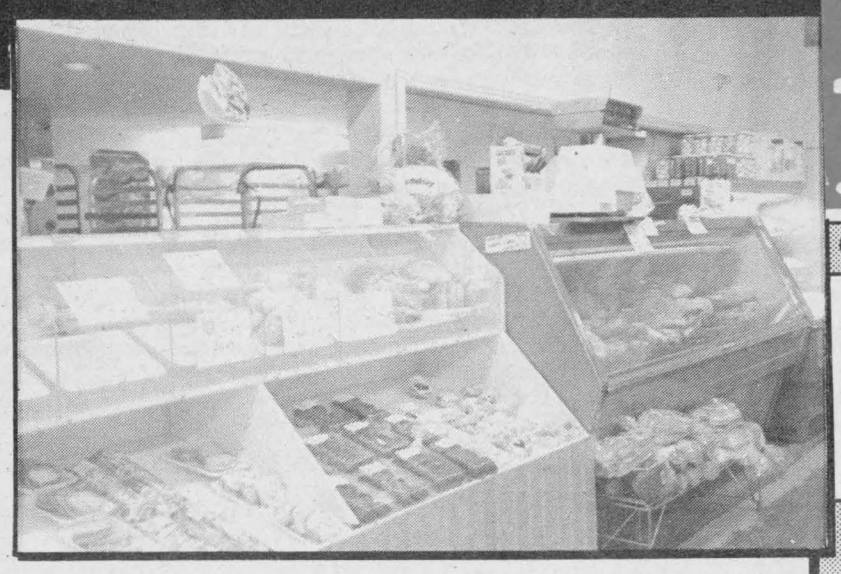
Rumour has it that Leroy Hamilton of Iroquois Marine Services, just west of the Village in Matilda Township keeps pretty close tabs on this fellow.

Take this very year....Iroquois Ike, the Great Horny Hare, that legendary St. Lawrence Thumper was thumping too fast to indicate a launch time for boats on the River as early as the record date of March 31 one previous year.On February 18, he was going at 43 TPM which indicated a start on March 31, but then on March 14, Ike was going at 22 TPM and that showed that no sooner than April 5 would things move on the River...patience is a virtue!!!

Mr. Hamilton who operates Iroquois Marine Services notes that folks along the St. Lawrence have been using the four foot tall horned lapin's predictions for generations as a guide to when they should remove ice fishing huts from the River's surface.

Ike is one of the last survivers of his breed and makes his home, so they say, under the old orchard at the Iroquois Marina. Emerging on cold, moonlit nights to thump on the ice in what is believed to be a mating call, the rate of his thumping slows down as the ice becomes thinner. The Number of Thumps per Minute (TPM) generally indicates how many days are left before the ice is gone to allow boat launching to safely take place.

So, travellers late at night along Highway 2, be watchful for Ike and keep your ears tuned...just imagine....



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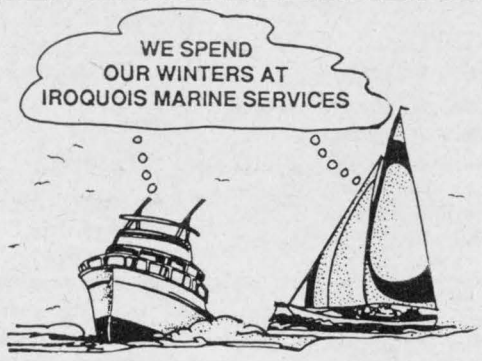

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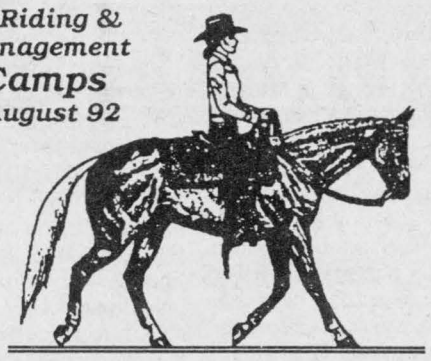

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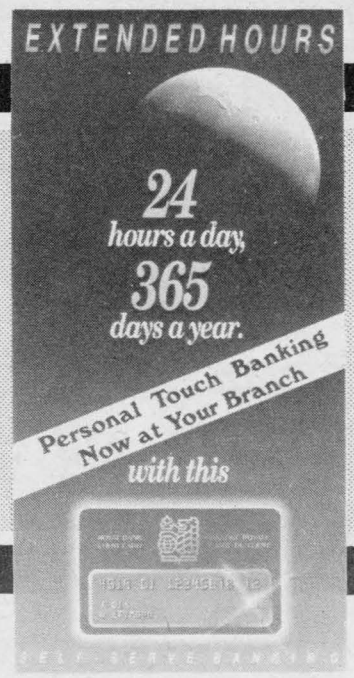

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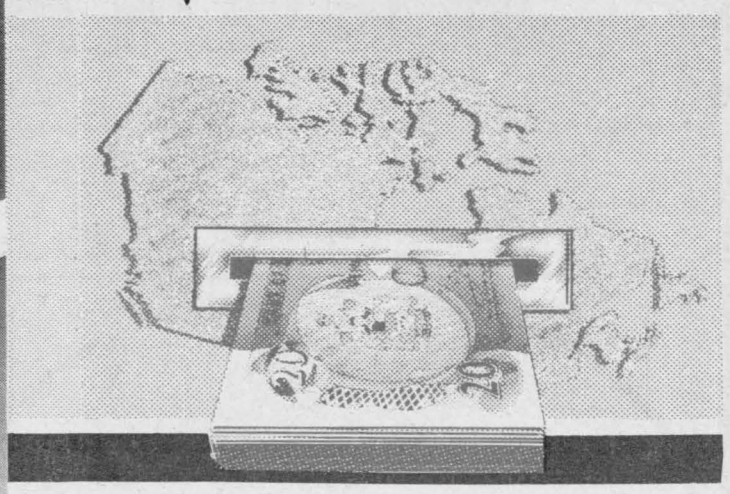

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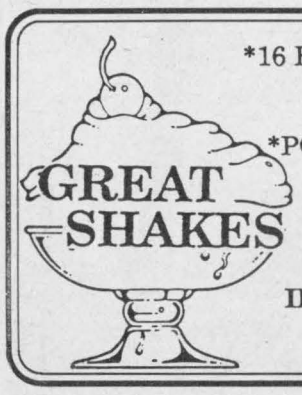

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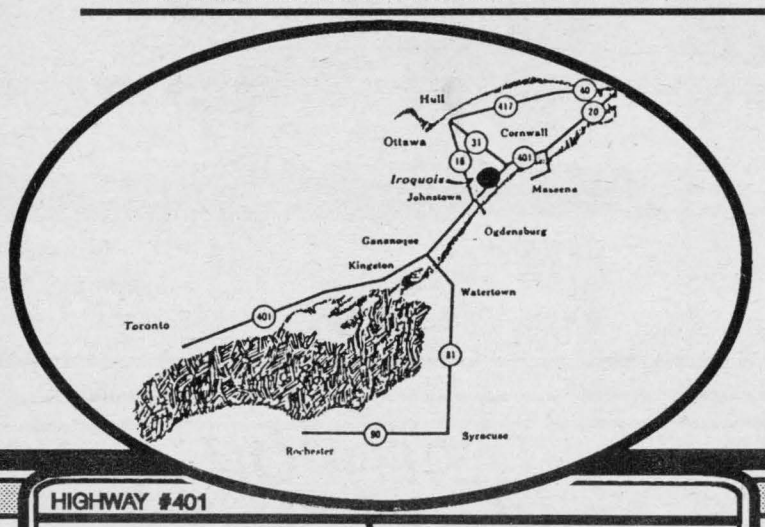

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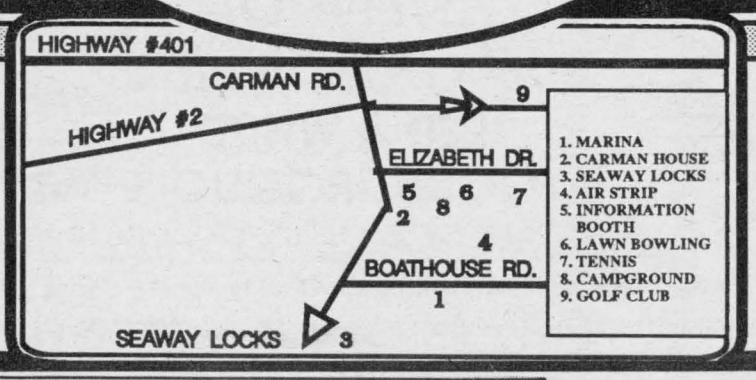

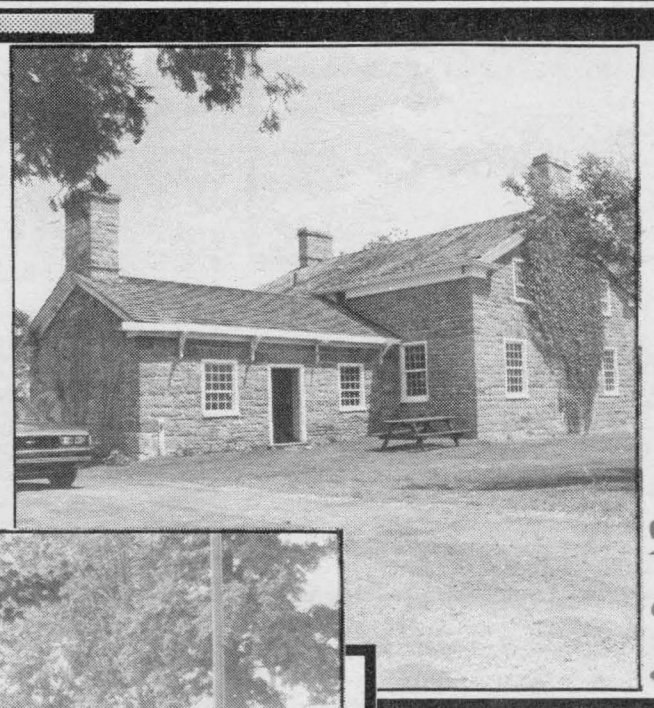

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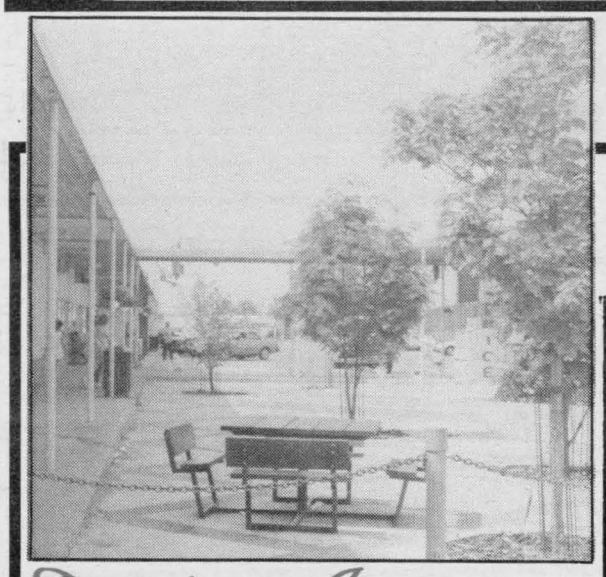

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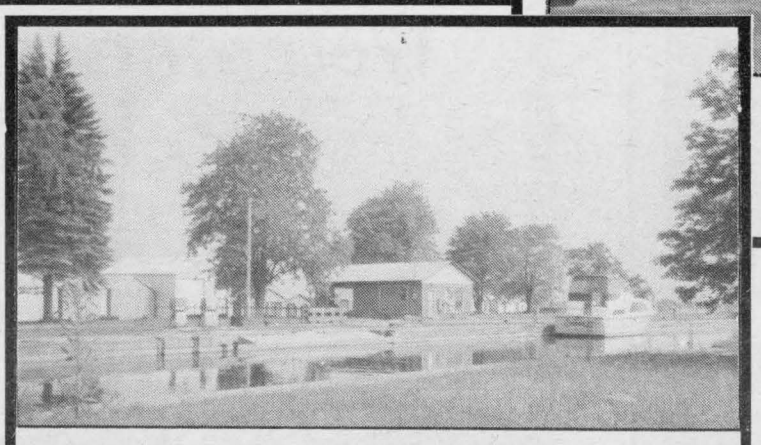

Iroquois Marina



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VILLAGE OF IROQUOIS SUMMER FESTIVAL - JULY 11th - JULY 19th

JULY 11 - Gigantic Yard Sale in Plaza

JULY 12 - 5K Fun Run

JULY 13 - Legion Bingo - $1000.00 Jackpot

JULY 15 - United Church Lawn Social from 5:30 on

JULY 16 - Ball Game - Iroquois Fire Dept. and Wives VS CJOH Special Effects. Proceeds to Muscular Dystrophy.

JULY 16 - Iroquois-Matilda Lions Bingo at Matilda Hall

JULY 17 - Fawcett Organ in Plaza. **Legion Ball Tournament** begins at Haldane Park
Music at Legion by Bordertown

JULY 18 - Legion Ball Tournament continues. **Parade 2 p.m. sharp** starts in Shopping Plaza, Iroquois Fire Dept. will be collecting for Muscular Dystrophy along route.

JULY 18 - BBQ at Legion 3 p.m. **All That Jazz** - Mini-concert at Iroma Apartments - afternoon. **Music at Legion** in afternoon 3-6; evening - 9-12. **Fawcett Organ** in Plaza after parade. **All that Jazz in Parade** followed by a concert at campsite. **All That Jazz** - 6-9 at Legion **Presentation of Prizes for Parade** at Campsite following Parade. **Dance** at Civic Centre sponsored by Iroquois Fire Dept. Ladies Aux. - tickets in advance

JULY 18 - Iroquois Golf Club hosts their Mens Open Tournament.

JULY 19 - Legion Ball Tournament continues.
Social & Craft Display at Carman House in afternoon sponsored by Women's Institute.
Fly-in Breakfast at Campsite.
Concert by All That Jazz over breakfast.
Old Car Display at Iroquois Locks Lookout.
BBQ at Legion 3 p.m.

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Looking for something to do in Cardinal?

Just north of the Heritage Highway 2, lies opportunities where recreation abounds. Maintained by the Village of Cardinal, visitors are able to get their excercise, shooting hoops or playing tennis, and then cool off and relax with a dip in the pool.

New basketball courts, lighted too for night time play, were constructed in 1990, and boast the most recent in surface covers, plexi-pave.

Nearby, two new tennis courts surfaced with smooth plexi-pave as well, should aid in improving anyone's game. Both courts are lighted so play can be enjoyed well after dark. Also, a backboard has been set up for singles play, or for practice.

Two ball fields, one lighted, are situated just south of the tennis courts. Tournaments are always ongoing on weekends throughout the summer months, fast-paced and exciting.

The municipal pool is receiving a face-lift this season, as the deck area is being replaced with interlocking stone, for a safer and more attractive appearance. Fully qualified lifeguards and staff are always on hand.

Down near the water, in the Galop (pronounced Ga-looh) Canal area, are the boat ramps. Recently, the Village replaced the surface for loading and unloading water craft.

Just east of the boat ramps, the playground and beach provide hours of entertainment for the whole family. Pack up the lawn chairs and the kids and plan an entire day near the crystal blue water. A number of picnic tables are stationed throughout the park.

An active community, Cardinal knows how to host a festival. During the summer, there is always something on the go, from pancake breakfasts for charity groups, to the Labour Day Festival, one of the best around!

Check out this little riverside treasure this summer, and we'll look forward to your return visit next year!

Marina provides sheltered harbour for boaters

Under new management this boating season, the Cardinal Point Marina & Live Bait, has undergone renovations, and those who have passed by before shall surely note the difference, and be pleasantly surprised. The landscaping touches tend to make the spot, nestled along the banks of the old Galop Canal, fit right into the beauty of the surrounding parklands, and hints of the former island village's past.

On the north side of the harbour lies ancient stonework which was installed near the turn of the century to line the banks of the manmade canal, and is still there today. It hints subtley of days when river travel was the utmost in getting from one point to another. This portion of the canal which forms the backdrop against Heritage Highway 2, is all that is left of the manmade canal which severed Cardinal from the mainland in a past life. At the east end, it has since been filled in, reconnecting the southern portion of the community with newer developments on the north side of the Highway.

Looking out across the majestic

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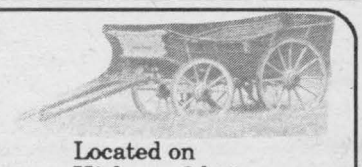

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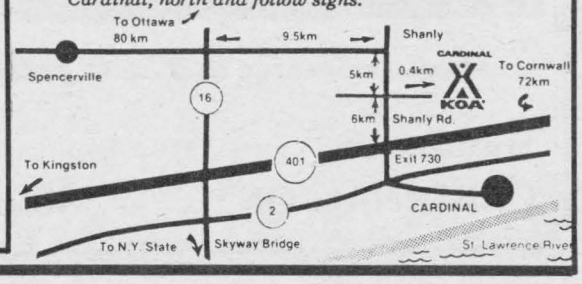

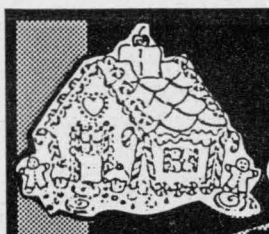

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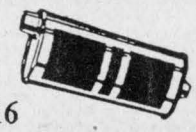

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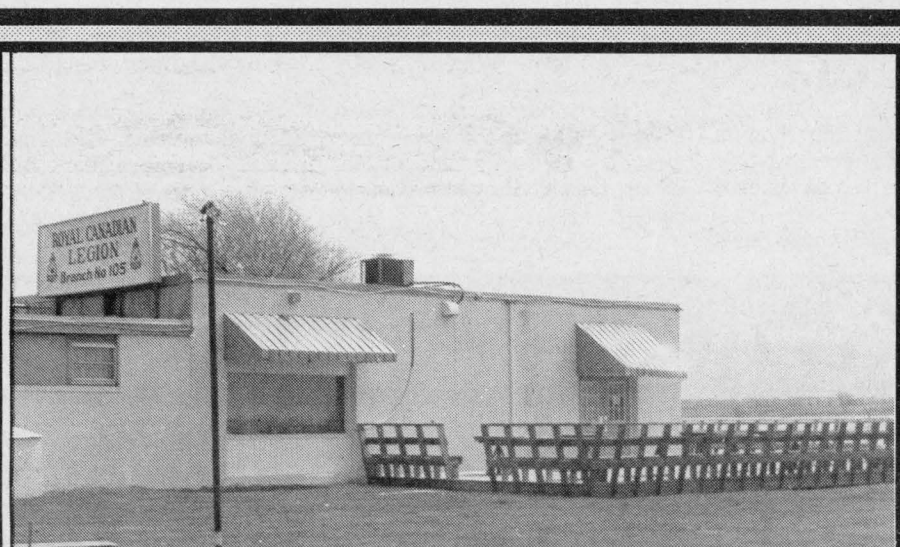

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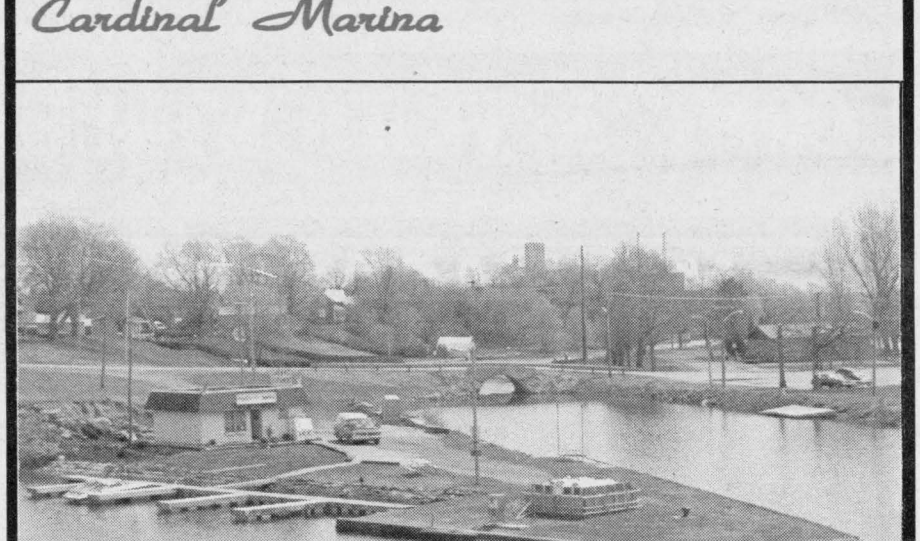



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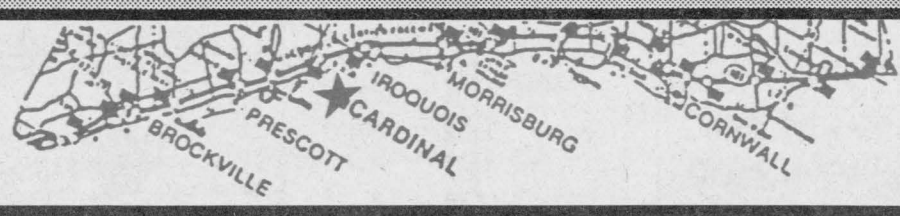



WINDMILL: Historically significant site, east of Prescott.

Canadian currency and exchange rates

Most businesses in Canada will accept U.S. dollars, but travellers are still advised to carry Canadian funds.

The Canadian dollar is currently valued slightly less than the U.S. dollar.

Exchange for foreign funds can be arranged at the currency exchanges at the Ottawa and Toronto international airports, at banks and trust companies, and at travel centres located at most Canada-U.S. border crossings.

The Bank of Canada sets exchange rates three times daily — at 8:30 a.m., noon and 4:30 p.m. To get the current exchange rates, telephone the Bank of Canada at (613) 782-7506.

Canadian businesses accept most major credit cards, including Visa, MasterCard, American Express, Carte Blanche and Diners Club.

Prescott marina one of the finest

A most picturesque setting, nestled in a sheltered bay of the St. Lawrence River, Prescott boasts one of the finest Marinas in the area.

The Sandra S. Lawn Marina, a $4.2 million complex opened in 1989 and features 148 slips which are able to accommodate boats up to 45 feet long. Three of these are capable of handling boats up to 65 feet long.

Surrounded by rocky breakwater, the slips are most accessible and the historic Coast Guard beacon house in the Rotary lighthouse that stands like a sentinel over the entire scenic landscape does duty as a tourist information booth.

Interlocking brick walkways take the visitor past a natural amphitheater to a boathouse modelled after a small town train depot. The entire setting is one of peace and beauty, and all within walking distance of shopping (100 shops to serve the public), restaurants and services. Adjacent to historic Fort Wellington, the Marina brings in tourists from all over the world to enjoy the Fort Town for even a brief stay of fun and enjoyment. Within a short stroll the avid golfer can drop the ball and swing away on the Course that also overlooks the River.

The season opens in mid-May and lasts until the end of September. Twenty-four hour security at the harbour kicks in the first week of June. A pump-out service,washrooms with showers and laundry facilities are available at the Marina for the convenience of boaters.

Comparative rates make this a must stop for all transient boaters on the St. Lawrence.

Special events like the annual Poker Run on the mighty River draw crowds to the Marine facility, even landlubbers who find the atmosphere to their liking. The annual Harbour Days in May are a celebration that always proves entertaining for the entire family.

The focal point of Prescott's redeveloped waterfront, the courteous and friendly staff coupled with the clean, well maintained facilities, this is a Marina with a difference.

The newest harbour on the River is snuggled at the base of the Fort that commands an impressive view of the deep marina facility. Water oriented activities including great fishing, including the mighty muskellunge, scuba diving and wind surfing as well as sail and motor boating and seado riding can be enjoyed here, what with artifacts in the deep waters, the clear sweep of the River.

Regulations for entering and leaving Canada

Visitors to Canada may need some documentation to enter the country. There are also limits to what foreign visitors can buy here and take home.

Tourists from the U.S. may be asked for identification when crossing into Canada, or returning to the U.S. Personal identification can include a passport, birth or baptismal certificate, an Alien Registration Receipt card or a naturalization certificate.

To enter Canada from countries other than the U.S., Greenland or St. Pierre and Miquelon, travellers must carry a passport, and in some cases a visitor's visa.

Anyone under the age of 18 who is visiting Canada without an adult must have a letter from their parent or guardian giving permission to travel.

U.S. residents who visit Canada for up to 24 hours can take home $25 (U.S.) worth of goods each without paying duty. If the $25 limit is exceeded, then duty has to be paid on the entire value of the goods being taken over the border.

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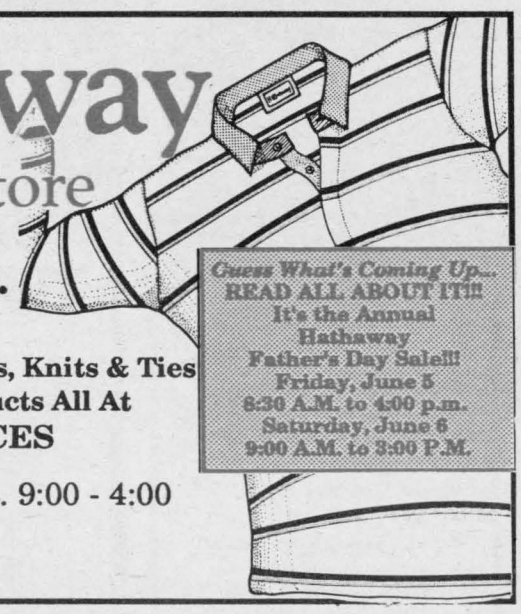

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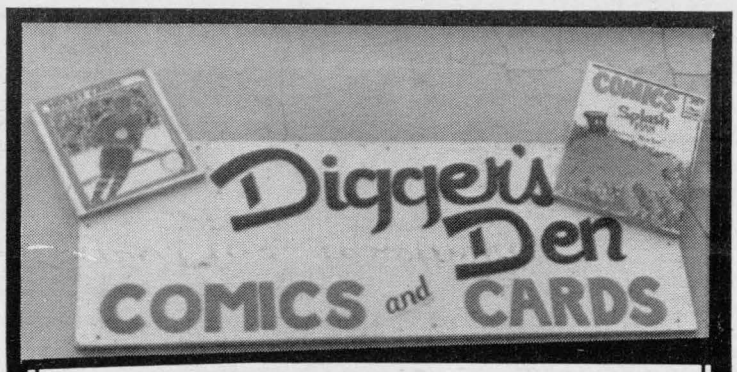

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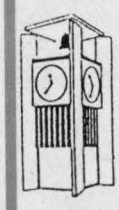

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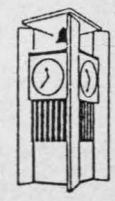

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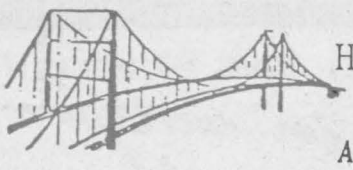

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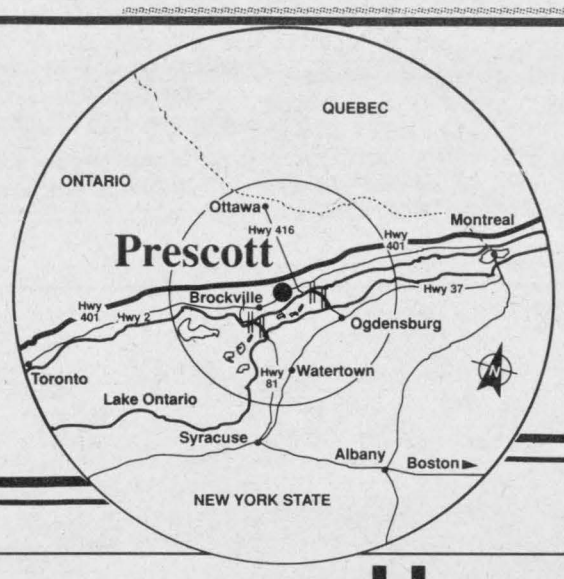

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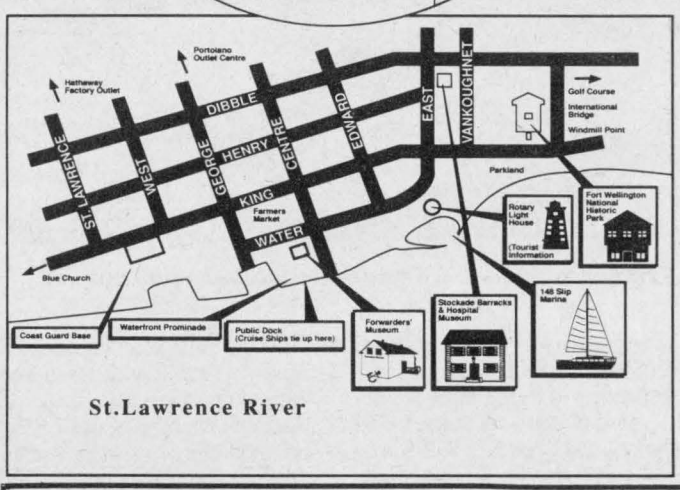

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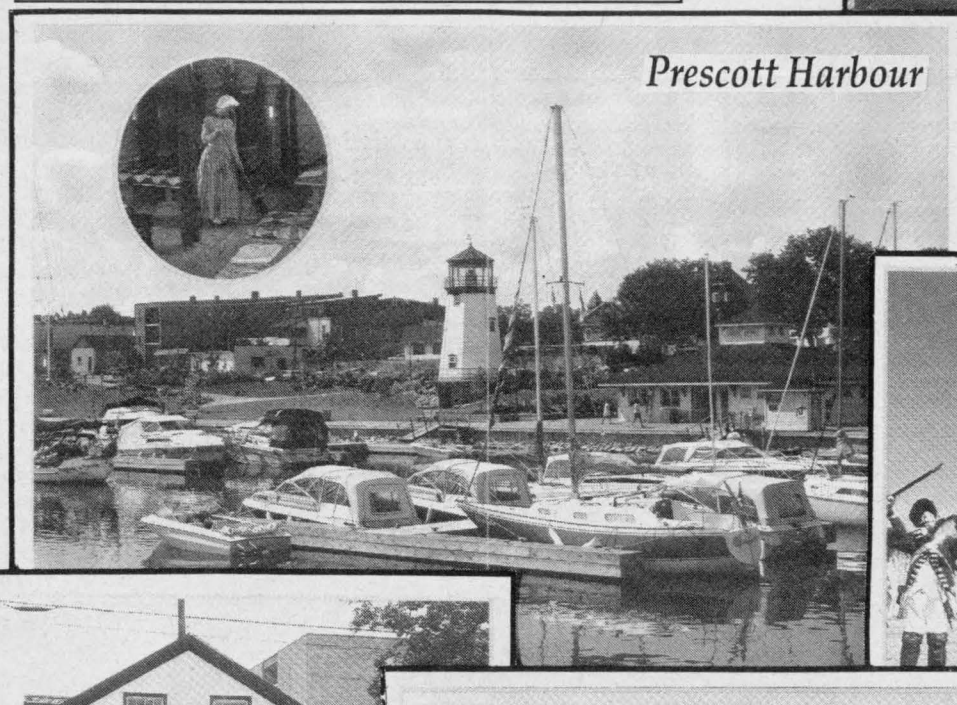

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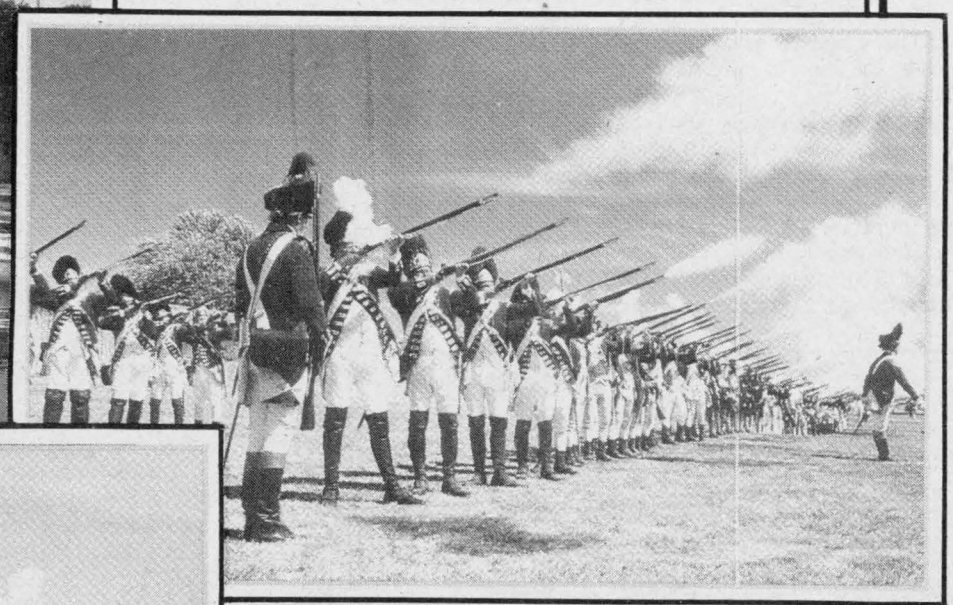



Forwarder's Museum

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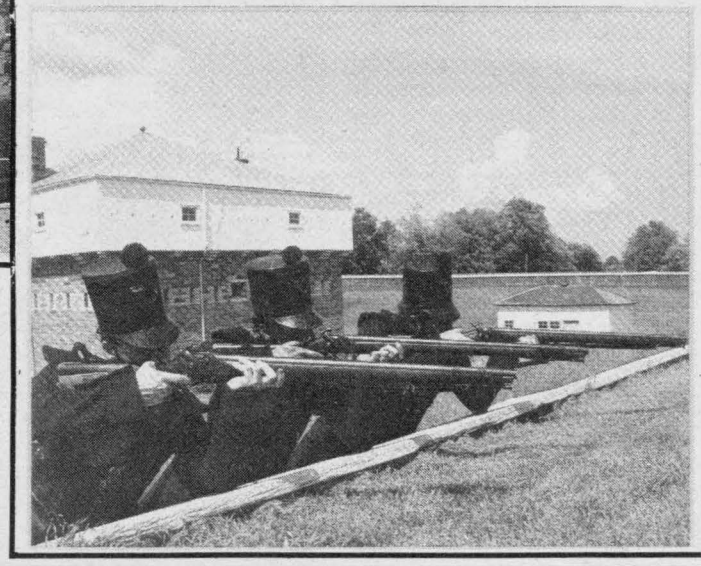

Loyalist Days

Prescott's military history is relived each summer during Loyalist Days, our annual 10-day summer festival.

Fort Wellington

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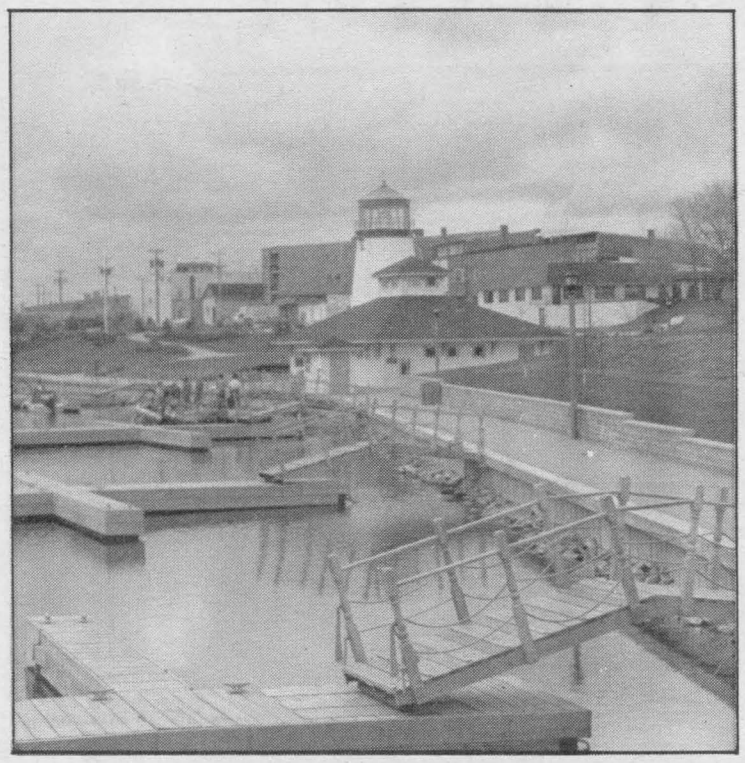

We begin our journey near Prescott's Sandra S. Lawn Harbour

Steeped in history the area that Highway 2 meanders through is a lesson for everyone who wonders about the days of yore. Providing an adventure in Canadian History, Highway 2 is an often narrow (by today's standards) and twisty, two-laner that demands that drivers pay close attention to their manouvering.

The **Homeward Museum-The Solomon Jones House** was the largest stone house in the area in the early 1800s. The home of a pioneer Doctor, the only one between Cornwall and Gananoque in those early times, and the man who was appointed the Judge of the Johnstown District, it housed seven generations of the Jones family for over 172 years.

The Blue Church, popularized by Barbara Heck, the founder of Methodism in this area, is actually buried in the little graveyard that circumvents the actual Church structure. This graveyard dates back to at least 1790. Local Anglicans built a frame chapel here in 1809. Then in 1826 a new church in nearby Maitland took over its duties. The original structure burned and was dismantled in 1840. The small Church which stands today, known simply as The Blue Church was constructed in 1845 and seems to call travellers to the peace and solitude it harbours along Highway 2, just west of Prescott.

Journeying eastward, the traveller arrives in **Prescott** where a stop at the **Forwarders Museum** chronicles the town's role in the story of transportation on the River. Not your average museum, this one tells the story of the key role the forwarding trade played in opening up the Canadas, leading to the birth of a nation. The 1812 stone building was the main site for trade in the area between 1700 and 1850.

Fort Wellington gives the town its nickname of the "Fort Town". The Fort preserves the elements of two British forts that have weathered more than 170 years. The site is made up of original 1813 fortifications, the 1838-39 blockhouse, officers quarters and much more. It has been refurbished to the 1846 period when garrisoned by the Royal Canadian Rifle Regiment.

The summer season gets underway at the Fort in mid-May and is open to the public daily from 10 til 6. After Labour Day the Fort is open only on weekends.

Canada's largest scale Military Pageant flanks the tail end of Prescotts' Loyalist Days in July. The old Fort comes alive in the period of its glory, enhanced with historical costumes of the era. Built as a sentinel on the St. Lawrence, the interpretive staff take visitors back to the mid 19th century. The Fort has stood the test of time and trial and looms above the skyline in the town, like a warning to rebels and others who would do harm.

Also of interest in the Fort Town is the **Stockade Barracks and Hospital** where Paul Fortier welcomes vistors and feeds them in earlier fare. Ontario's oldest Barracks building, the history is engaging and Paul is more than informed. While enjoying a period meal, folks are entertained by musicians and by the tid bits of history emparted by Paul during the course of the meal. A unique experience, it is most pleasant and memorable.

A **Golf Course** that overlooks the River is a pleasure to play. Located on the fringe as one heads to **New Wexford.**

Leaving the Fort Town, the guest to the Seaway area will come to the site of the **Battle of the Windmill,** an historic location where an invasion of Canada in 1838 resulted in high tragedy on the gallows. This action caused the British to review the way they administered the country and some 30 years later Confederation was born. The Rebels who ended up barricaded in the Windmill which stands today a monument to what men were willing to fight for, were defeated, but their purpose of political reform was realized. Like a beacon along the mighty River bank just east of Prescott, the Windmill is a reminder of our heritage. Picnics here are awesome for the view is nothing short of spectacular.

Coming ever farther eastward, the voyageur will drive past the **Prescott Grain Elevator** where ocean going vessels dock to unload their precious cargo of wheat and grains.

Grenville Park sits on a jut of land which is bounded by the River and also gives a beautiful view of the **Prescott-Ogdensburg International Bridge**...the stuff pictures are made of! The Cooper family operates the site and offer a Seaway welcome to all.

Immediately adjacent to the Park is the site of **Fort de Levis,** the last stand of France in Canada. The Fort on Isle Royale (Chimney Island) was built by Captain Francois Pouchot in 1760. The French garrison surrendered to the British Army later that same year. A commemorative plaque indicates the exact location.

The **Village of Cardinal** affords a rest stop and a closer look at the only man-made canal in the area. The canal separated the island of Cardinal from the mainland for years, before the westerly section was filled in to provide a construction area. A swing bridge operated for many years where the causeway now allows motorists to cross into the Village south of the canal. Shopping in the modern plaza built on the filled in portion of the canal is pleasant and gives the tourist a variety of shops to cater to their needs.

The route along the old **Galop Canal** between Cardinal and the Village of Iroquois is a treat for everyone. As the sun glistens off the majestic River, a veritable playground for boats, a feeling that this area is rich in history and truly a step into one's past becomes as clear as the water.

Driving close to the shipping lane affords a close up view of ocean going vessels as they ply the River as part of their working routine. Ducks and seas gulls add colour to the scenery and the small craft either cruising or fishing dot the surface creating a picture postcard. An evening drive along this section is memorable...as the lights of ships passing in the dusk reflect off the water, a romantic atmosphere is generated. Crickets chirping, as the waves roll to the shoreline, the motorist will notice elegant century old homes constructed of brick and stone nestled among the greenery that lines the Highway. The moon peeking through the clouds on such an evening casts a fanciful glow on the centre line.

Just west of the Iroquois limits, a roadway veers to the right...the former railway bed leads to Iroquois Marine Services, where qualified personnel are set to assist with each and every boating need.

Coming to the relocated Village of Iroquois gives a chance to explore and compare the old and the new. A part of the story of the North American Indian was formed right here....historic **Point Iroquois** was a favourite location for the first inhabitants of this country. Amid the peaceful pine and maple groves, they held their pow-wows. A panoramic view of the River made this not only a great vantage point but a picturesque one as well.

Today this is the home of the **St. Lawrence Seaway Authority Lookout.** Visitors can watch as ocean vessles are locked through. The **Power Dam** which links this country with her neighbour the U.S.A. gives shutterbugs a unique opportunity, especially when the gates are open and motorboats speed through.

"Old Iroquois" was demolished and that site lies under water. A few landmarks remain to remind folks of their origins. One is the **Carman House Museum** on the Carman Road, enroute to the Locks area. Dating to the 1820s, this house was built by a local family, it is refurbished to the period and is testimony to living history.

Also on the way to the Locks is the original Lock Site with the original **Lock House** still intact.

Iroquois East Marina has grown in the area of the former locks and offers facilities to boaters and sight-seers alike. Incorporating this into the landscape of the area, the Municipality has provided overnight and seasonal dockage and bicycles are available to ride into the Village on for anyone so inclined.

The Herons who frequent the area are glad of the company and make great pictures...a quiet and restful area for weary travellers.

The **"new Iroquois"** has a modern shopping plaza with various stores to serve the needs of a traveller. The hub of retail industry there is something for everyone here, a motel and restaurants, shops and information...at your service.

Matilda Township surrounds the Village on three sides and has the distinction of being the original site of the first **MacIntosh apple.** Many fine orchards carry on the tradition established by John MacIntosh and allow you to pick your own, including: Dentz Family Orchard on the Brinston Road, Smyths' Orchard on County Road 18, and Robertsons' Apple Farm on "old" Highway 2, east of Iroquois (Lakeshore Drive). The first and last of these boast pick-your-own berries in season as well as other fresh garden produce (Dentz's).

Williamsburg Township is situated on the land around the Village of Morrisburg and includes the Village of Williamsburg. Once known world wide as a bustling centre, particularly in the 1920s. Doctor Mahlon Locke's unique method of manipulation drew many ailing and curious people from the far reaches of the globe to this rural community. The house he used still stands today, amid a locality where everyone knows their neighbour. A good and diverse section of antique and gift shops prosper to serve the tourist in Williamsburg, north on Highway 31 from Morrisburg. Many businessmen have selected this hamlet as the place to operate their sales from.

Morrisburg is the next Village on the Highway and is where Highway 2 and 31 meet. Drastically affected by the flooding at the time of the St. Lawrence Seaway Project, Morrisburg, while not moved in its' entirety, parts were indeed relocated to the north and a new

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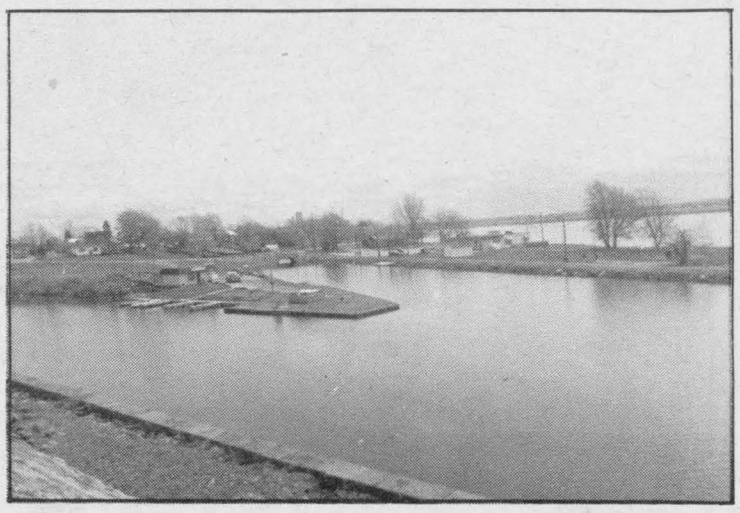

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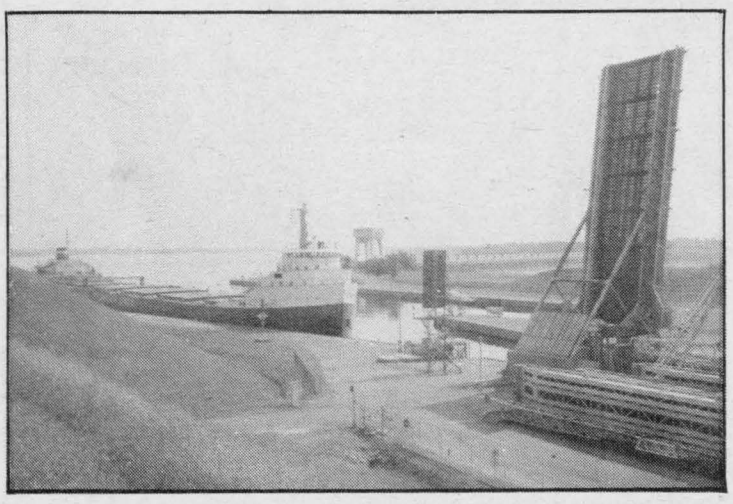

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