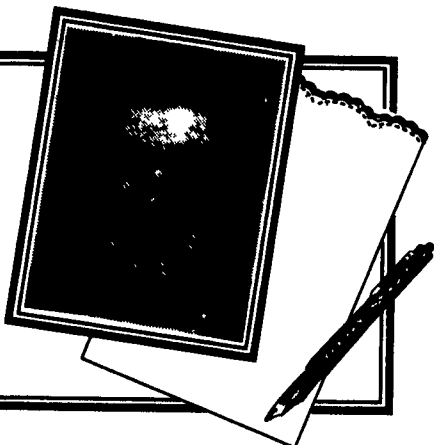


Ida's Notebook

by
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On the fifth day of our trip to Florida, we arrived at Key West. It is the southernmost city in the continental United States and just 90 miles from Cuba. We traveled over many bridges to get there including one that was seven miles long. Here a guide rode with us and pointed out the homes of famous people. We were told that there are 1,800 sunken ships in this area with treasures. Their trees are quite different too as a Gumbo Limbo tree has a red trunk that peels regularly. The sunsets

are very beautiful in this place. The next day we visited an alligator farm and rode on an air boat. The boat carried about 20 people and seemed to travel through fields of grass but it really was a swampgrass marsh. In the Everglades National Park we had another boat ride to tour their 10,000 islands. We took pictures of a nesting osprey. Previously, we walked through the Fruit and Spice Park near Homestead. Here I got seed from a lipstick tree. In this area there are many fields of

beans, celery, and sweet corn. The Edison-Ford complex in Fort Myers was very interesting as it showed many of their inventions. From Sarasota we went to Tampa where I happened to meet a lady who was a niece of my favorite high school teacher. In the evening we walked on the pier at St. Petersburg which extends 2,400 feet into Tampa Bay, and did some shopping. Allen bought a beautiful wind chime for me as an early birthday gift. Cypress Gardens at Winter Haven has acres of cypress trees and many colorful flowers. We took a lot of pictures here. We took a ride on Island in the Sky which gave us an overall view of the gardens. Allen and I had been there 47 years before and remembered seeing their spectacular ski show with some of the world's best water skiers. In the evening we saw Lake Wales Passion Play. This moving play had 22 scenes showing the last seven days of the life of Christ. More of Florida next week.

H A P P E N I N G S

Puppy Club

The Lebanon Extra Special Puppy Club did a few things during the first months of 1995. Meetings were held on Jan. 19 and Feb. 16.

On Jan. 19 club elections were held. Results are president, Ellen Leuenberger; vice president, Andrea Leuenberger; secretary, Julie Ulrich; treasurer, Brian Horst; scrapbook, Becky Ulrich; and reporter, Emily Horst.

On Feb. 16 the club held a regular meeting. Club members begin every meeting with a training session for the dogs. Then they discussed going on a trip to get the dogs used to different forms of transportation.

Most club members were able to attend a mall walk on Jan. 28. They went on a city bus and stopped at places around Lebanon. Then they came back and walked through Boscov's, Ames, and the mall area. They also went to Chocolate World in Hershey on Feb. 17.

Red Rose 4-H Beef Club

On March 1, the 4-H Red Rose Beef Club held its reorganizational meeting.

The new project and record books were handed out. Officers elected that night were: president-Dale Livengood; vice-president, Amy Hoffines; secretary, Jill Hoffines; assistant secretary, Jessica Stoltzfus; treasurer, Travis Donough; news reporters, Jessica Schmidt and Nicole Hess.

Project reports were given by Casey High, Dale Livengood, and Jason Stoltzfus.

Seven new members signed up, bringing the club membership to 30.

Gloucester 4-H Leaders

The Gloucester County 4-H will be holding a Horse Show and Craft Show at the Gloucester County 4-H Fairgrounds, Mullica Hill, N.J., on Sunday, April 9.

Both shows are open to the public, there is no admission fee, and there is plenty of free parking. Refreshment stands will be open all day.

Three pavilions are available for crafters, and reservations will be taken until March 30.

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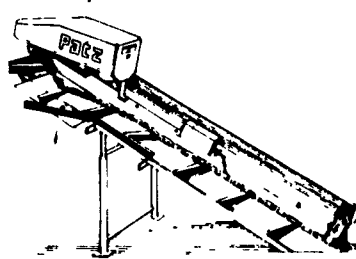
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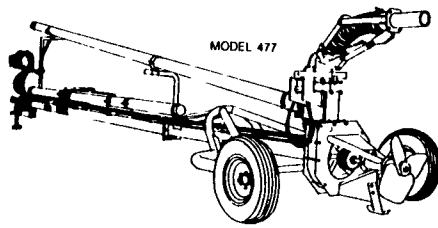
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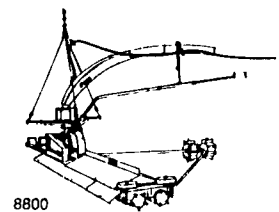


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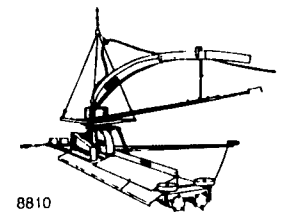
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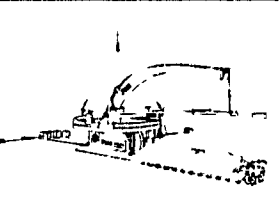
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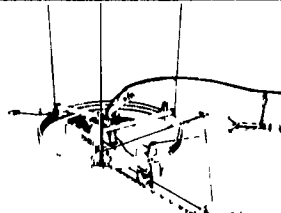
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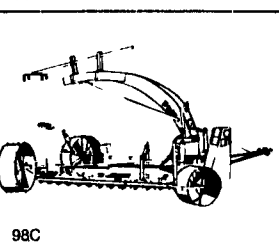
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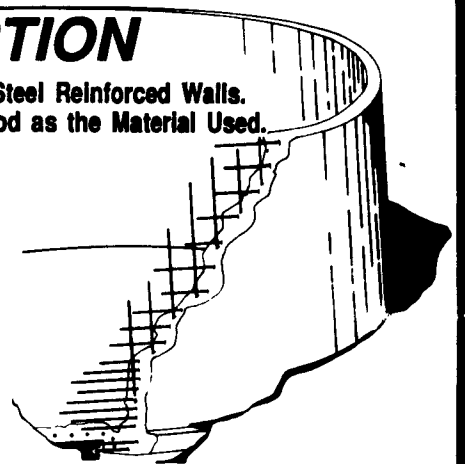
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