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First White Settler in Manitowish Waters

HISTORY.

By - Michael J. Dunn, III

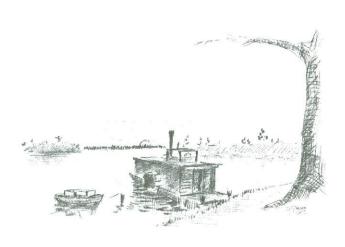
Where Indians paddled blueberry-laden canoes or camped to barter with fur traders only three generations ago, sun tanned teenagers now skim gracefully over the water on skis or their elders relax in comfort to forget the press of business. That in a nutshell is the story of Manitowish Waters.

The red man appeared back beyond the reach of recorded history, and when he faded from the local scene his doing so was so gradual that he left no exact date to mark his passing. The first white folk to settle here watched him paddle across Island Lake in summer, his canoe low in the water with the weight of the wild berries it bore. Families still gave him wide leeway; some Indians were still a threat, especially to children of the intruding palefaces. The Indians had an age-old gathering place on the eastern shore of Manitowish Lake. Here they met to trade, to distribute funds from Federal paymasters, to bury their dead. From here too, to propitiate their gods, they floated sacrificial offerings which always drifted to the tiny island that they came to regard as sacred.

Came then the white man, perhaps to trade for furs, to cruise the woods for timber, to settle on a homestead. The story of early Manitowish Waters rings with the names of colorful settlers and personalities. Abe LaFave, who settled in 1888 and became the predecessor of the resort trade that is now the lifeblood of our community; long gone is the island lodge he built on Island Lake as the first tourist accommodation in the area, but on the shores of that same lake his family today continues the tradition of resort keeping he originated. Dan Devine, who raised a family on Clear Lake, whence he paddled each summer on a monthlong canoe journey to Madeline Island in Lake Superior to sell his furs. Peter Vance, a timber cruiser who came here in the 1880's and lies now

in our cemetery, his grave marked by a stone recording his hundred years and his pioneer status. Stephan Stewart, once a Yankee soldier in the Civil War, who was sure he was the only white man for miles around as he surveyed for a timber company dam, only to run into Abe LeFave in these deepest northwoods.

The railroad penetrated the county in 1888. In its wake came the great logging days, a swashbuckling era during which you might have seen stuck into the ground in front of a tavern the pikepoles or canthooks of a hundred or more lumberjacks drinking inside. The Chippewa Lumber and Boom Co. opened the logging age here. In 1892 CL&B forces built the Rest Lake dam with heavy timbers, three spillways and huge iron bullwheels to control the gates; the same year its men also built a steamboat with a backbone of tamarack and cedar ship knees hewn on the Island Lake shore. For the life of the CL&B activities here, the most exciting event of the year was the log drive. For several weeks early each summer pine logs were sent through the spillways in great bunches and washed downstream with huge gulps of penned up lake water. The river then might be a solid mass of logs for many miles. Skilled drivers prodded them along. Leading and trailing the drives were wanigans or cook boats, built below the dam for each year's drive. It took almost all summer and the efforts of up to two hundred men to push the drive all the way to its Chippewa Falls area destination. The rest of the year lumberjacks who lived in long, low, log camp buildings below the dam labored to replenish the log supply held behind the dam in preparation for the next season's drive. They took only the finest of pine, so light that it could float indefinitely and was called cork pine; in the winters teams and sleds pulled the newly felled timber to the icebound shores; in summer giant wheels were used. On the waters of the lakes, raised up to sixteen feet above their original level by the new dam, and thus spreading over a much wider area, the steamboat worked almost round the clock to shepherd huge rafts of logs to the dam. The boom, however, could not go



some of these temporary lines ran as far as Alder and Benson lakes. Big logging activity ceased with the second control of the secon

In 1927 local residents, chafing at what they felt was neglect by the town of Flambeau to which they then belonged, had a bill passed by the states legislature creating the new Town of Spider Lake. (The name changed to the more specific Town of Manitowish Waters in late 1938.) The new town built a town hall during 1929-30 and the present



Original Town Hall

school the next year or two; the school has been doubled in size by a 1946 addition. The town board authorized a community cemetery in 1935; the earliest burial dates from 1936.

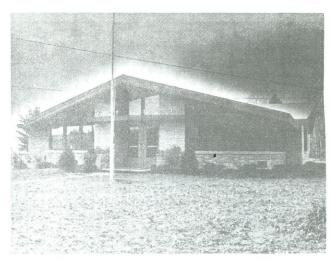
For a brief moment in 1934 the national spotlight focused on this locality, after the notorious desperado John Dillinger was detected hiding out at Little Bohemia. He escaped a dragnet in gunplay that cost two lives.

One of the most unusual activities in Manitowish Waters was the fish hatchery, claimed to be the only town-sponsored one in the state. It was built in 1932 and enlarged in 1936 to provide tiny walleye pike and muskie fry and fingerlings for planting in the chain of lakes. Peak walleye production was apparently 1942's 14,000,000 tiny fish, while the muskies of 1939 numbered 2,700,000. Records are incomplete but that must have been a peak year. The last records cover operation in 1942; the fate of the hatchery is given in a terse mention in minutes of a 1944 town board meeting, which states that the board authorized removel of the electric meter from the hatchery. A victim of wartime problems, the hatchery is still closed.

The postwar era has been one of tremendous growth and refinements in Manitowish Waters. Between 1949 and 1964 the tax list rose from 300 bill-receiving taxpayers to 565 owners. In 1943 the first chamber of commerce groundwork toward eventual construction of an airport came to light. The airport itself came to realization in

1945; it was enlarged soon after and in 1964 a lighting system was installed along one runway. A post office opened here March 1, 1949. Fire protection. a service authorized on a very small scale by a town meeting as far back as 1931, received a great boost with development of the present fully equipped volunteer department two decades later.

The Community Church and Catholic congregations were organized after the war. In an interesting display of religious cooperation both groups worshipped in the same facilities in the old town hall, the Catholics very early in the morning, the Protestants in the later forenoon. Ground was broken for the new Community Church edifice in 1954. The Catholic Church was built in 1958 and named Our Lady, Queen of Peace to honor dead soldiers of the 32nd Division, as a memorial to whom part of the construction funds were given.



Information Booth, Community Center Building

A new community center was built on the airport grounds in 1961. It provides permanent town offices and a gathering place for local functions ranging from elections and town meetings to wedding receptions.

Retail trade prospered; merchants in "down-town" Manitowish Waters enlarged their establishments and new stores appeared at the south entry into the township.

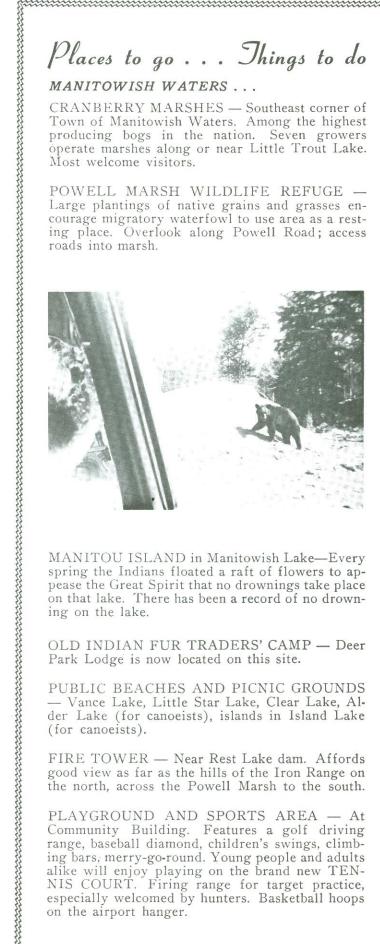
Industry and larger-scale commerce appeared in 1945 with the arrival of cranberry developers and the 1949 move to town by Trueflight Mfg. Co., an archery equipment firm. Both activities found Manitowish Waters a happy environment and have flourished here. Their stories are told elsewhere in the booklet. A smaller fabricating enterprise is Lyon Industries, which makes fiberglass boats and custom molded products. No longer operating are two industries of the early 1950's; an arrowhead factory and a producer of television antenna towers.

Places to go . . . Things to do

MANITOWISH WATERS . . .

CRANBERRY MARSHES - Southeast corner of Town of Manitowish Waters. Among the highest producing bogs in the nation. Seven growers operate marshes along or near Little Trout Lake. Most welcome visitors.

POWELL MARSH WILDLIFE REFUGE -Large plantings of native grains and grasses encourage migratory waterfowl to use area as a resting place. Overlook along Powell Road; access roads into marsh.



MANITOU ISLAND in Manitowish Lake—Every spring the Indians floated a raft of flowers to appease the Great Spirit that no drownings take place on that lake. There has been a record of no drowning on the lake.

OLD INDIAN FUR TRADERS' CAMP - Deer Park Lodge is now located on this site.

PUBLIC BEACHES AND PICNIC GROUNDS - Vance Lake, Little Star Lake, Clear Lake, Alder Lake (for canoeists), islands in Island Lake (for canoeists).

FIRE TOWER — Near Rest Lake dam. Affords good view as far as the hills of the Iron Range on the north, across the Powell Marsh to the south.

PLAYGROUND AND SPORTS AREA - At Community Building. Features a golf driving range, baseball diamond, children's swings, climbing bars, merry-go-round. Young people and adults alike will enjoy playing on the brand new TEN-NIS COURT. Firing range for target practice, especially welcomed by hunters. Basketball hoops on the airport hanger.

WATER SKI SHOWS BY THE SKIING SKE-ETERS — Free, Wednesday and Sunday evenings during July and August.

WATER SKI TOURNAMENTS — Sponsored on two August weekends by the Skiing Skeeters are the Beier Barefoot Tourney and the Wisconsin State Barefoot Tourney-both interesting meets featuring spectacular barefoot water skiing activ-

REST LAKE DAM — Site of old loggers' dam, now replaced by modern structure with walkway beneath. Controls lake levels. Once had a fish lock to boost fish over the drop—ruins of it are still visible.

BEAR PITS - Watch Bruin and his family.

THE CHAIN OF LAKES — To see the beauty of the woods and the waters, take your own boat or rent a pontoon boat and take a party along-you can drive or an operator can be furnished. Take a picnic lunch along to eat at one of the many waterside picnic spots available on Island Lake or Alder Lake. Ask any of our tackle or boat shops about time and rates.

YOUTH CONSERVATION CAMP - On Statehouse Lake. Boys spend part of the summer here to work on woods improvement projects.

CANOE TRIPS — If you have access to a canoe, put in near Boulder and come down the lovely Manitowish River, where the rapids offer a bit of a challenge and the undisturbed scenery promises views of wildlife. Another interesting river trip is down the same river from the dam to Manitowish depot, on which course the river passes through small lakes and marshy areas favored by herons, ducks and animal life. Inquire locally about canoe rental and delivery.

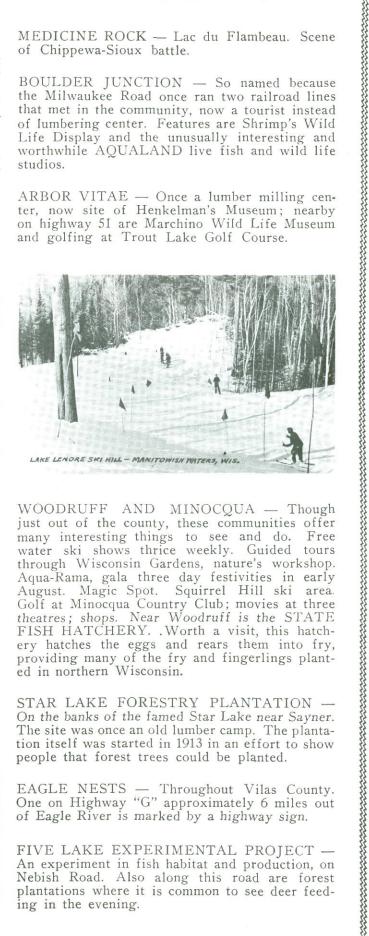




MEDICINE ROCK - Lac du Flambeau. Scene

BOULDER JUNCTION — So named because the Milwaukee Road once ran two railroad lines that met in the community, now a tourist instead of lumbering center. Features are Shrimp's Wild Life Display and the unusually interesting and worthwhile AQUALAND live fish and wild life

ARBOR VITAE - Once a lumber milling center, now site of Henkelman's Museum; nearby on highway 51 are Marchino Wild Life Museum and golfing at Trout Lake Golf Course.



WOODRUFF AND MINOCQUA - Though just out of the county, these communities offer many interesting things to see and do. Free water ski shows thrice weekly. Guided tours through Wisconsin Gardens, nature's workshop. Aqua-Rama, gala three day festivities in early August. Magic Spot. Squirrel Hill ski area. Golf at Minocqua Country Club; movies at three theatres; shops. Near Woodruff is the STATE FISH HATCHERY. . Worth a visit, this hatchery hatches the eggs and rears them into fry, providing many of the fry and fingerlings plant-

STAR LAKE FORESTRY PLANTATION -On the banks of the famed Star Lake near Sayner. The site was once an old lumber camp. The plantation itself was started in 1913 in an effort to show people that forest trees could be planted.

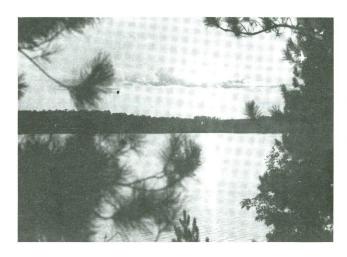
EAGLE NESTS — Throughout Vilas County. One on Highway "G" approximately 6 miles out of Eagle River is marked by a highway sign.

FIVE LAKE EXPERIMENTAL PROJECT — An experiment in fish habitat and production, on Nebish Road. Also along this road are forest plantations where it is common to see deer feed-

LAC VIEUX DESERT — Near Land O' Lakes. On the north shore is an Indian village where Indians still live and carry out many of their customs of long ago; nearby are Indian burial mounds. On the south shore rises the hardest working river in the nation, the mighty Wisconsin River. At this historical spot, which bears a marker, Father Rene Menard (who later vanished without a trace down the river near Merrill) said the first Mass in what is now Vilas County. Picnic benches are now on this spot for the convenience of visitors.

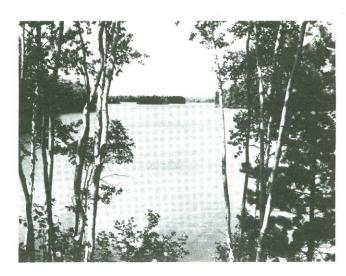
THE MILITARY ROAD — Used during the Civil War. Passes through Vilas County, mostly through the Town of Phelps. A fire tower located on the Military Hill, just east of Phelps on highway 17, is one of the highest fire towers in the state. Open to visitors.

THE CONTINENTAL DIVIDE — Crosses highway "B" between Land O' Lakes and Presque Isle and crosses highway 51 between Mercer and Hurley. Streams and lakes north of this divide run or drain into the St. Lawrence watershed; those south of it drain into the Mississippi via the Wisconsin River.



CATHEDRAL POINT — Beautiful timbered point between Little Trout and Big Trout Lakes, along the east shore. Many of the existing pines are 120 to 130 feet tall. They are being grown on the site of what was once an Indian garden. This is a beautiful picnic area and should be especially appealing to children. Trout Lake Nursery is nearby; here millions of tiny forest seeds are grown into seedlings and transplants to help reforest the state. Also nearby is a historical marker commemorating the first forestry patrol flight, and pleasant picnic area.

TREES FOR TOMORROW CAMP — Eagle River. Camp for teaching conservation to young people and adults. Many enjoy the facilities each year. While at the camp don't miss the TALKING TREE.



NATURE TRAILS — Hiking trails in the Town of St. Germain. Stop at the information bureau for a guide to these interesting paths for the vacationist.

LAND O' LAKES — Airport is the only one in Vilas County which has scheduled airline service, summer only, by North Central Airlines. Boulder Junction airport has seaplane landing and servicing facilities. Other airports with scheduled airline service near Manitowish Waters are Ironwood (Mich.) and Rhinelander. Rhinelander also has an interesting LOGGING MUSEUM.

Vilas County is the site of much publicly owned land. NORTHERN HIGHLAND STATE FOREST, NICOLET NATIONAL FOREST, CHEQUAMEGON NATIONAL FOREST and the COUNTY FOREST make up most of this ownership.

Along the forest roads you will see extensive plantings of forest trees, blueberry patches and deer trails. Just before dusk is a good time to go riding in search of wild life. Driftwood picking is popular along the shorelines of the county's thousand bodies of water. Wisconsin River and the Rainbow Flowage have the most driftwood.

Vilas County is also known for its certified seed potatoes. The area north and west of Eagle River is especially adapted for growing potatoes for seed. and seed potatoes from this area have been shipped all over the United States.

SCENIC TRIPS OUTSIDE THE COUNTY—include enchanting Madeline Island in Lake Superior and Copper Falls near Mellen among many delightful destinations. In Upper Michigan there are open to visitors underground iron mines. Don't miss the Porcupine Mountains near Lake Superior, the river falls and scenic drives to Black River Harbor and Presque Isle Park. Little Girl's Point on the Lake Superior shore is also appealing.







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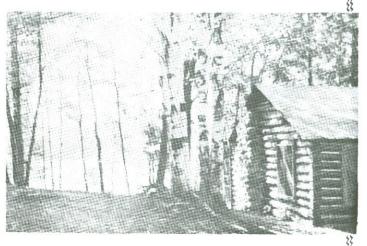
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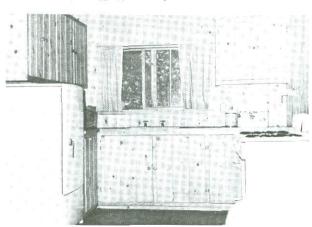
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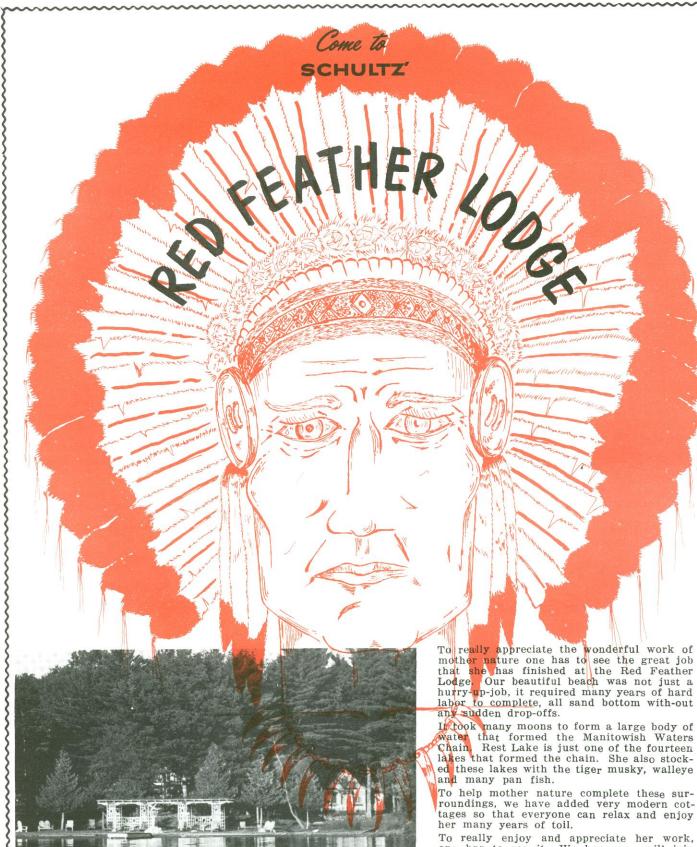
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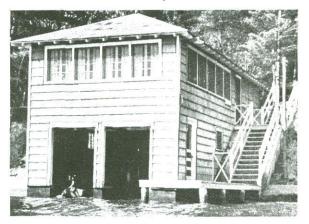
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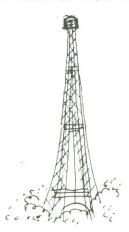
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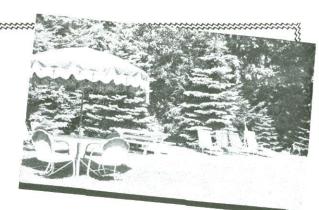
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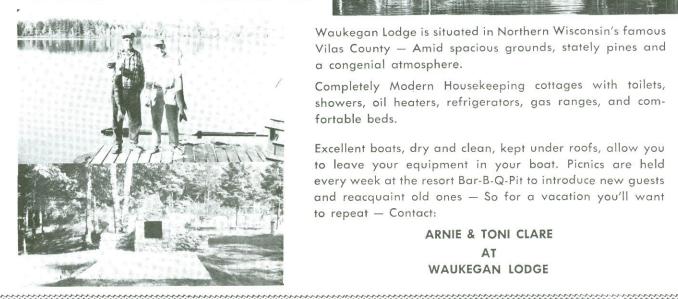
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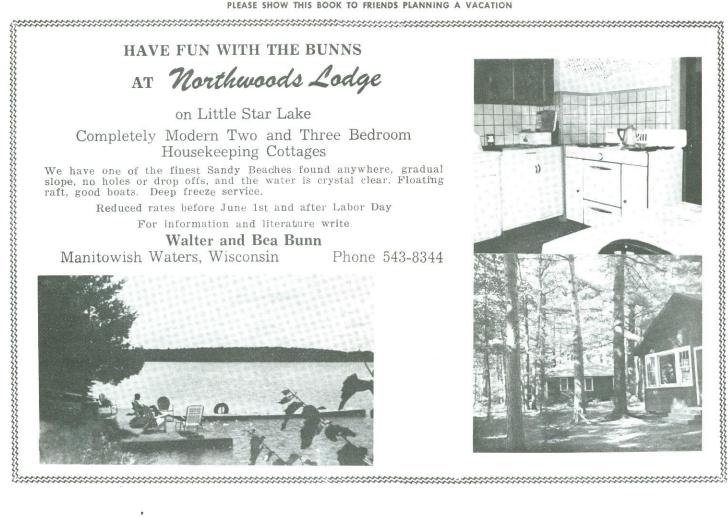
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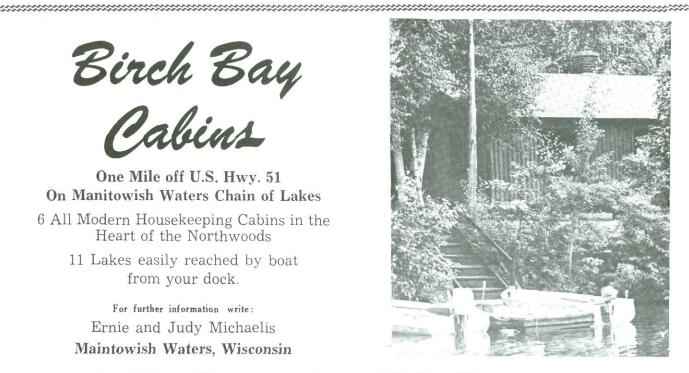
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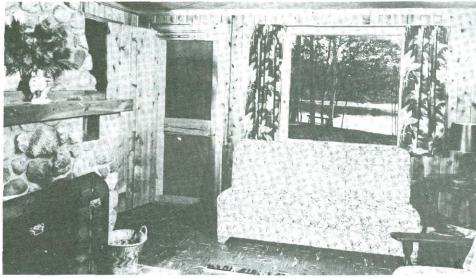
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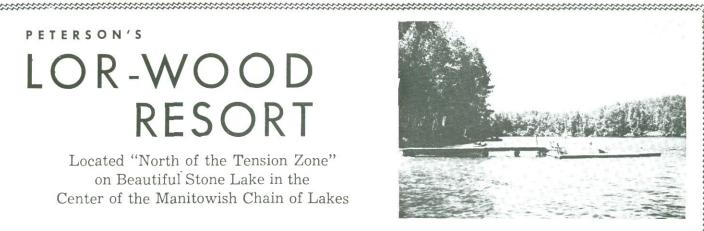
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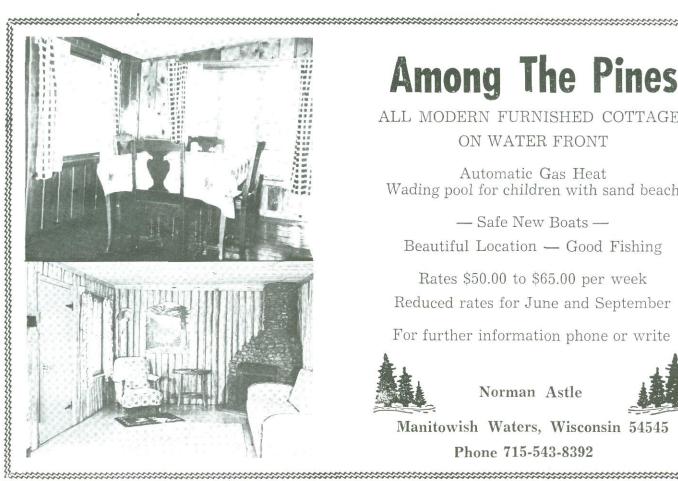
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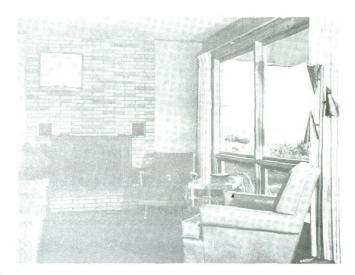
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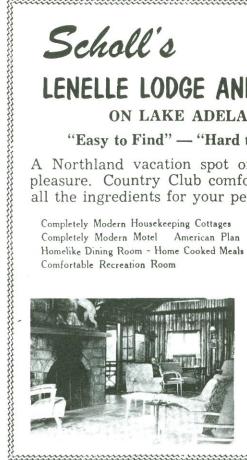
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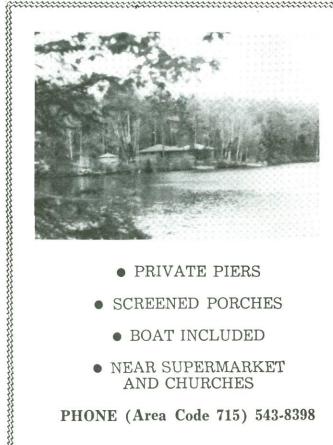
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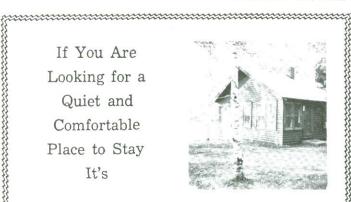
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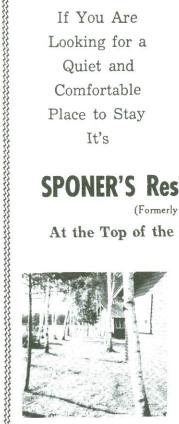
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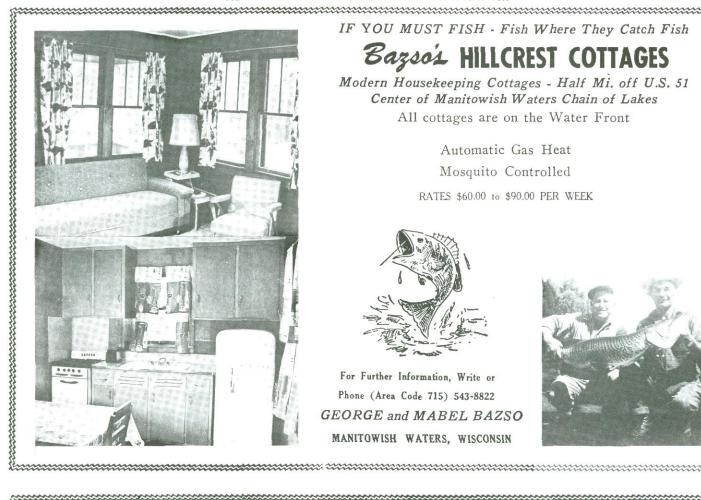
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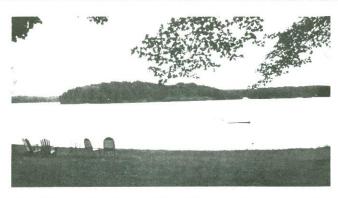


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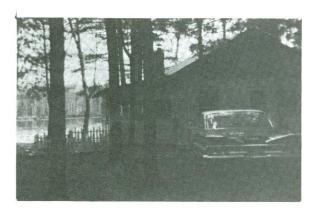
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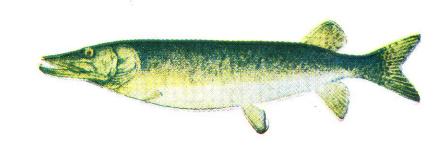
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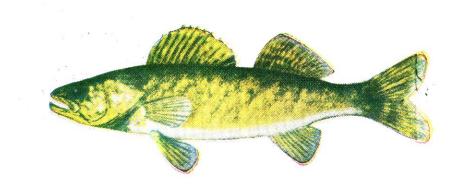
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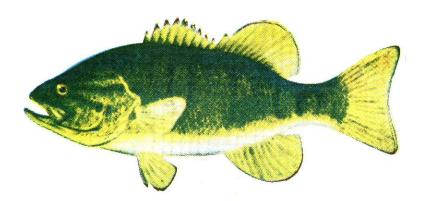
DESCRIPTION

This is an elongate slender type of fish with a color of greenish and bluish gray with more or less purplish luster on the back and sides. Yellowish below and white on belly. Sides with irregular rows of small round yellowish and gold spots. The top of the head is dark olive green; mouth slender and large. One of the most consistent marks for identification of this species is that the entire cheek is scaled while only the upper half of the opercle is scaled and the lower part is bare.

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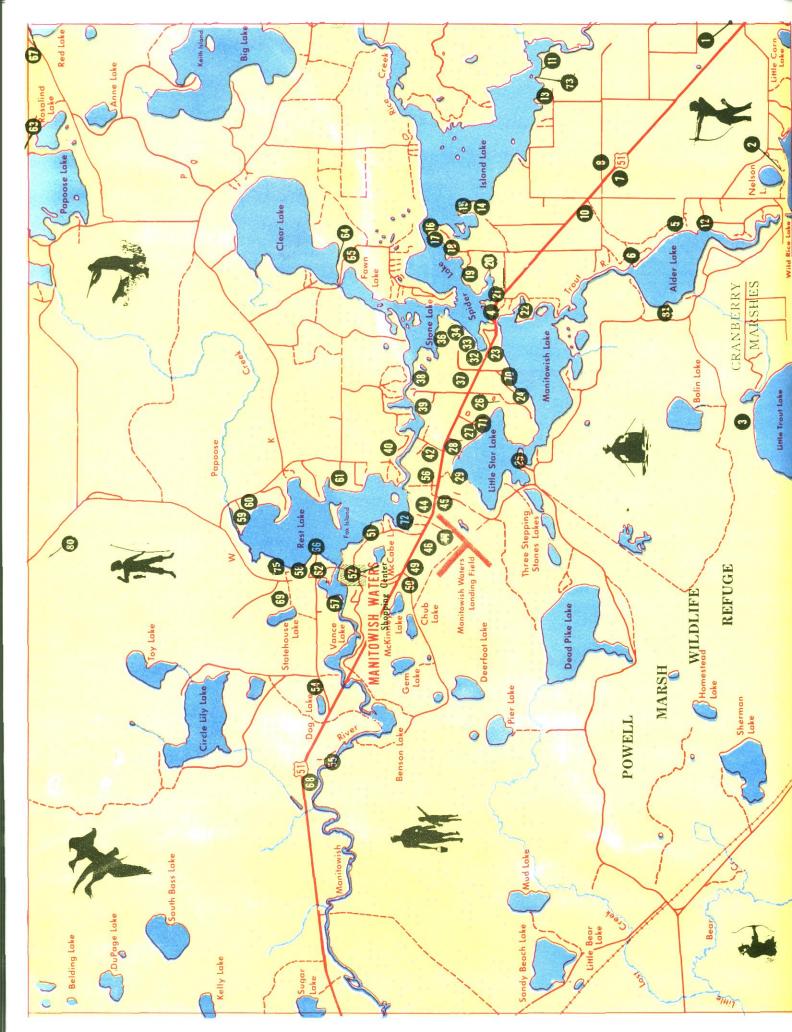




SMALLMOUTH BLACK BASS

DESCRIPTION

The general color of the smallmouth black bass is dark golden green with a brownish luster which may be blotched with darker spots along the sides. The mouth is large but the corner of it does not extend past eye.



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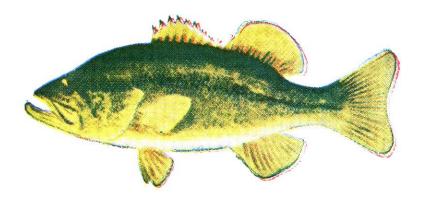
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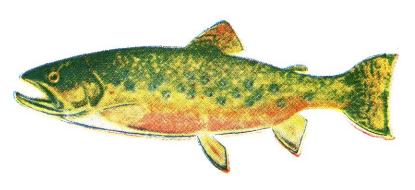
DESCRIPTION

General color is dark green above, sides and below greenish silver; three oblique dark stripes across the cheek; belly is white. The head is large and the mouth very wide, the corner of which extends beyond the eye.

BROOK TROUT

DESCRIPTION

General color is black and may be more or less mottled or barred with red spots along the sides. The body is oblong, moderately compressed; head rather large but not long; snout bluntish; mouth large with the maxillary reaching beyond the orbit; caudal fin slightly lunate in the adult, and forked in the young.



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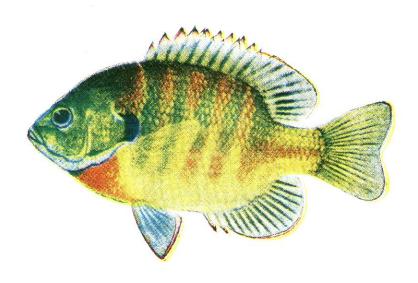
DESCRIPTION

There are two species of crappies in Wisconsin known as the common or white crappie and the back crappie or calico bass. The chief difference between the black and white is that the white has six spines in the dorsal fin and a plain anal fin while the black has seven spines in the dorsal and a strongly reticulated anal fin. Outside of these two exceptions the two crappies are almost identical in appearance. They reach a maximum length of twelve inches and weigh slightly more than one pound.

BLUEGILL

DESCRIPTION

Length sometimes reaches ten to twelve inches but they are a comparatively short and compressed fish. The nose is upturned in appearance; the color light to dark olive with luster of purple to lavender; belly yellow or rich yellowish brown. Head short; mouth small and oblique; the operacular flap is very broad and of a rich velvety black color; side with three or four broad dark greenish bars; fins are all greenish.





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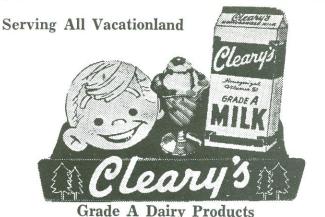
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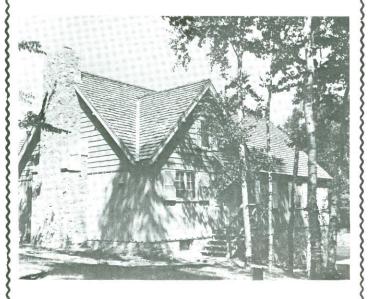
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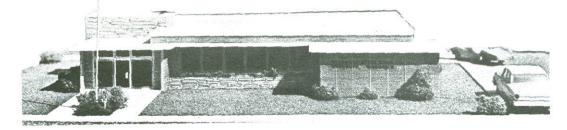
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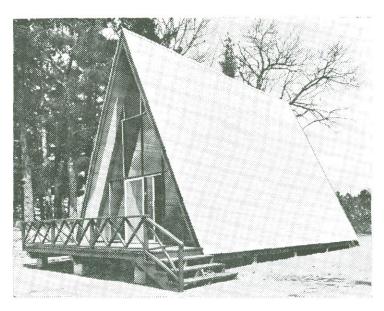
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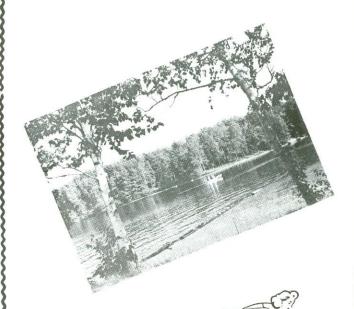
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The Skiing Skeeters have as their predecessors the young members of the Manitowish Water Boat Club, a group established to foster water safety and interest in water sports. Skiers in the boat club presented ski shows on Manitowish and Rest Lakes and even at community celebrations elsewhere. The only boats and equipment used for the shows was owned by the skier-members or loaned by generous residents.

The present group is a 1961 revival that took the name, Manitowish Waters Skiing Skeeters. Summer residents and all-year inhabitants form a membership of over 50 individuals. Members are selected on the basis of interest and cooperation as well as skiing talent, and they move up the ladder from junior to senior or full membership status.

The club owns an elaborate dual-motored towboat and pick-up boat, extensive skiing, lighting and public address equipment, and maintains all its equipment at its own expense. Its only financial support comes from members' dues and voluntary contributions from the public. Its ski show bowl and head-quarters are on Rest Lake near the dam.

The activities of the group lie in three spheres: entertainment, social and competitive.

Two evenings a week—Wednesdays and Sundays—the Skeeters and lovely Skeeterettes present free ski shows, each an eighty minute array of acts highlighted by jumping, barefoot skiing a pyramid and ever popular clown routines.

The club has been sponsoring weekly dances in the Community Center following the Wednesday shows. The dances are open to the public. Private activities include a corn roast, tournament weekend festivities and an annual banquet.

Annually in August they stage their barefoot competition, the Beier Barefoot Tournament, open only to club members.

The first statewide barefoot tournament held anywhere in the USA was sponsored by the Skeeters in 1964, and the club played host again in August. 1966 and 1967 to the 3rd and 4th Wisconsin State Barefoot Tournament, for which skiers from all over the state congregate at Rest Lake Ski Bowl.

The Skeeters' interest in barefoot skiing has given them, 3 of of the five top barefooters in the state, the state champion barefoot team 4 years in succession and a reputation for keen competition in the most difficult of all forms of skiing. The nationwide publicity accorded to the club have established its claim that Manitowish Waters is the "Barefoot Capitol of the Midwest."

THE MANITOWISH WATERS SKIING SKEETERS







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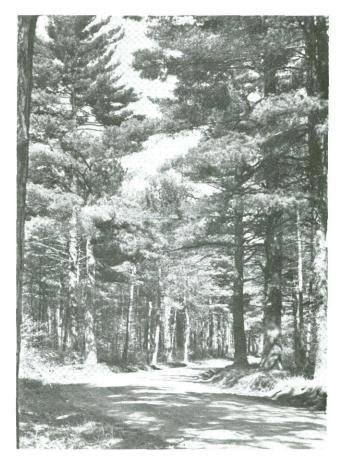
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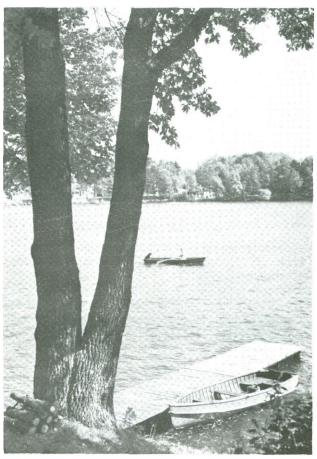


Many people who know how beautiful our Manitowish Waters area is in the summer—with its highland climate and its attendant freedom from most allergies—have never been up here during the fall season to see the brilliant colors which nature provides. It isn't always easy to predict the exact dates when coloring will be at its height, but usually from about September 20 until October 15 comes the period when the leaves pass through their fullest color. Maples, popple, birch, oak all contrast their vivid reds and golds against the dark green of the pines and firs to create a paradise for the color photographer.

Look out across our lakes and watch the opposite shoreline, morning, noon and especially at eventide, when the setting sun hits the trees and brings out the full panorama of colors in our woods.

Fishing usually is good too, when the game fish are getting fattened up for winter and striking at lures and baits that they might ignore during the lush summer days. Sturgeon are in season in fall, and many fine specimens have been taken from our Manitowish River, below the Rest Lake dam. Each year the public celebrations planned for Colorama time are bigger and better, with many of our neighboring towns also participating. These include fish bakes, chicken barbecues, dances, color tours by road and lake, tours of cranberry marshes. All of these things are here to be enjoyed. Won't you make a reservation at your favorite resort for a week or weekend during the fall and give yourself a real treat?







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This aerial photo, taken by the author, writer, shows cranberry operations at Manitowish Waters, Wisconsin, during October 1964 harvest. In foreground are beds of 3 companies, around lake shore and beond trees are four more sets. Water source is Little Trout Lake, upper left, whose level drops six inches on nights when all 7 growers flood their beds. Main water distribution artery is ditch in foreground. Note pleasing, orderly appearance created by beds. Photo by Michael Dunn

CRANBERRY INDUSTRY IN MANITOWISH WATERS

By - Michael J. Dunn, III

Manitowish Waters boasts one of the largest concentrations of cranberry marshes in the state of Wisconsin, and its production of between thirty and forty thousand barrels annually is a potent factor in making Wisconsin the second largest cranberry raising state in the nation.

The operations, of seven growers cluster around or near Little Trout Lake, in the southeastern corner of the town of Mantiowish Waters, occupying several hundred acres of lowland that until 1945 was unproductive and useless marshland. Cranberry raising came to Manitowish Waters two decades ago not by accident but only because this area, than not even penetrated by roads, fulfilled the unique demands made by the extremely fussy berry. These needs include suitable soil, flat terrain, nearby sources of sand, and perhaps most crucial, an adequate supply of slightly acid water, the only type water cranberries can tolerate.

The land did not automatically yield to cultivation, and when seven of the eight participating growers planted their first vines in mid-1946, the occasion marked the climax of a year of cooperation and hard work, and an earlier year of planning.

Early preparation, handicapped by lack of roads and utilities at the outset, included laying out an elaborate network of common ditches, roads and canals. Only by such pooling of efforts could the new operators afford the expense of opening up and draining a virgin cranberry area. Though the peaty soil made cranberry growing more promising, it meant months of work leveling beds, scalping off the top growth, and construction of sand dikes that would both contain water to flood the long narrow beds, and also serve as roads. Most of the growers have an area of about fifty acres under cultivation or development, but the team effort of 1945-46 prepared only the first ten acres

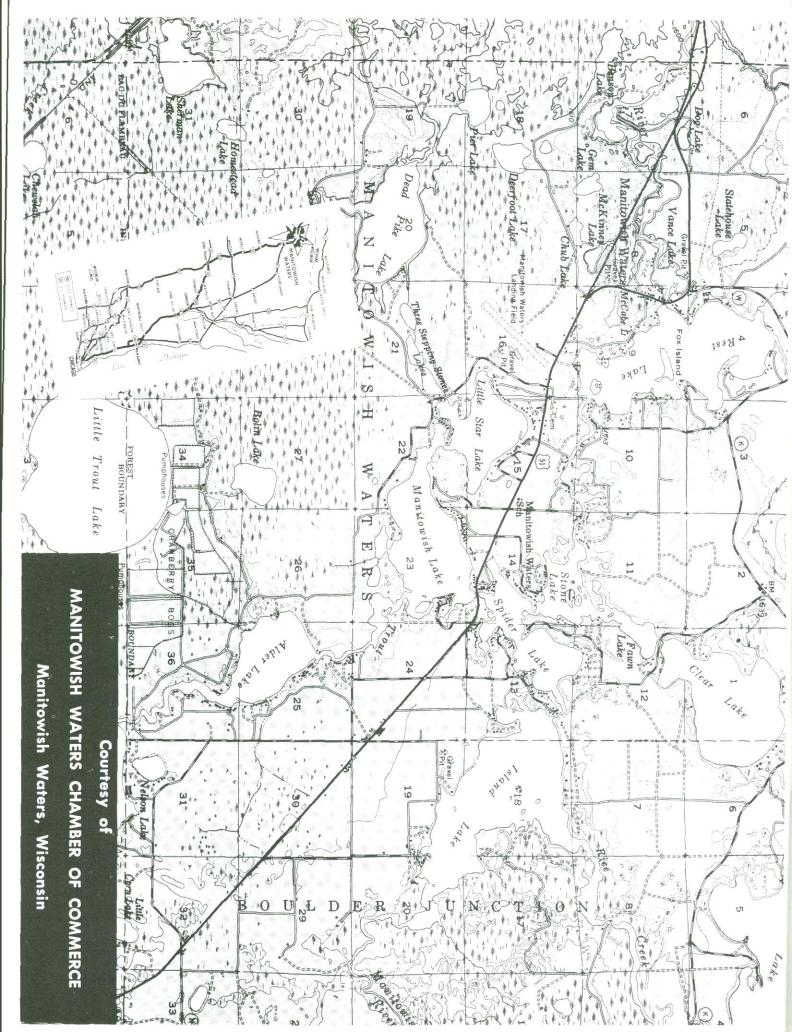
for each grower; every operator has developed subsequent beds on his own. Long lean years still awaited the operators, since cranberries bear marketable yields of fruit only after 3 or 4 years.

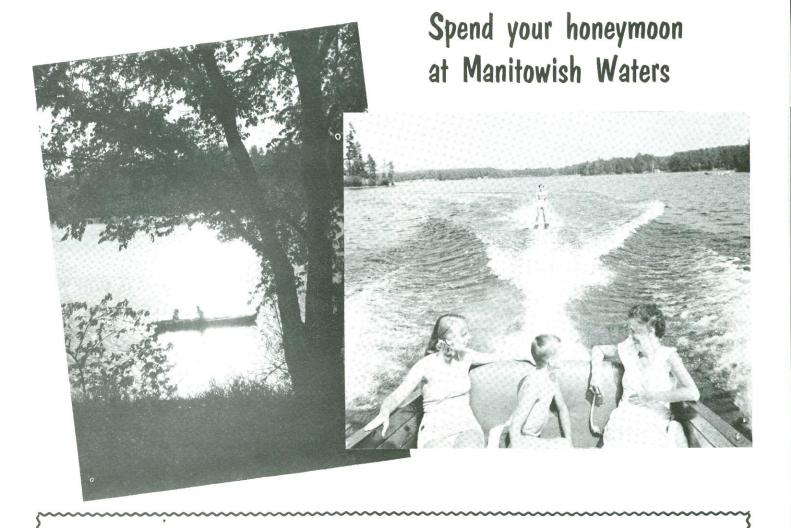
Into the ground of a dry and newly prepared bed, cuttings mowed from vines in a successful bed are pressed; flooding then helps set the vines, and their rooting is further encouraged by thin layers of sand spread every few winters over the ice covering them. At the time of the spring thaw the sand gently sifts down, helping also to discourage the weeds. (Flooding beds every winter protects the vines.) If the vines grow too rambunctious, mowing the excess vegetation has the same effect that pruning has upon fruit trees: it forces the energy into fruitbearing.

Safe chemicals help the grower combat pests, diseases and weeds. Weather is his dread foe. Summer hail storms may arise with no warning, giving the grower no chance to protect his beds against a bombardment that might destroy an entire season's hard work. Blossoms and fruit are vulnerable too to frost, and warfare against the cold means a constantly drawn battle. The arsenal of the cranberry raiser includes three main weapons. One local man uses a wind machine to circulate the frosty layer of air. Others spray water over the beds; the falling water absorbs cold that might otherwise attack the fruit. Most growers flood the otherwise solid and dry beds at the first sign of a freeze. Giant pumps flood the beds and then can be reversed to drain the water. The beds must be drained by sunup lest reflected rays bounce up from the water and burn the fruit from beneath. Thus long successions of sleepless nights are no novelty to the hardy souls who grow the berries we enjoy.

Harvest occurs the last third of September and on into October. The beds are flooded to soften the otherwise harsh effect of machinery and hip-booted workers laboring among the vines. Ingenious many-toothed picking machines gently pluck the berries and discharge them either into boxes or little boats, which are then towed on trailers to each growers warehouse. There the berries are cleaned of chaff, dried and stored until milling. Milling mechanically removes bad berries and grades the suitable ones. Eagle-eyed inspectors check all the fruit visually before allowing it to be packed; by hand they remove any irregular berries that have sneaked by the grading machinery. Shipping time lasts beyond harvest, sometimes into November. Winter finds the growers busy flooding, sanding and repairing equipment.

The all season appeal which cranberries are developing can be seen from the many ways they are shipped. Much fruit is shipped in one pound bags or boxes—many housewives freeze these for later use. A much greater amount of fruit is shipped in huge bags to processing plants which make popular standbys like cranberry jelly or ingenious new creations like cranberry-orange relish. Other berries find their way to processors of prepared frozen dinners; still others appear on breakfast tables the year round in the increasingly popular cranberry juice drinks.





PLANNING A CONVENTION OR ORGANIZATION OUTING?

You will find complete facilities at Manitowish Waters for successful and enjoyable get togethers. The Chamber of Commerce welcomes inquiries from groups interested in mixing a wee bit of Northwoods pleasure with business. Committees in charge of planning will be complimented by their organizations for offering "something different" to the members.

Whether you need accommodations for large or small groups in American plan or cottage surroundings, Manitowish Waters resorts can take care of your group to the satisfaction of all.

Sales inducements are another popular use for summer visits. More and more employers are finding expense-paid vacations offered to their selling force are a potent inducement toward bigger and better orders.

MANUFACTURERS. WHAT DO YOU MAKE?

Are you engaged in light manufacturing? If so, the Manitowish Waters Chamber of Commerce suggests that you give consideration to locating in our area.

There are many advantages which include:

Unlimited supply of good water.

Labor available at fair rates of pay.

Transporation by two established truck lines serving directly, and two nearby railroads. Airport for executive planes.

Plus ideal living conditions.

THINKING OF MOVING, RETIRING OR ACQUIRING A SUMMER HOME?

Living conditions in Manitowish Waters are ideal. Many families who first came as guests of our resorts have found this an ideal community to enjoy the Northwoods and have purchased or built homes here. A fine climate, the lakes, the woods and plentiful activities for young and old all ensure pleasurable and wholesome living. A fine consolidated high school and well staffed local grade school await children of new permanent residents.

Retirement has brought many couples to a new enjoyment of Manitowish Waters. Some remain all year to enjoy the leisurely pace of off-season living; others divide the year between Manitowish Waters and homes elsewhere.

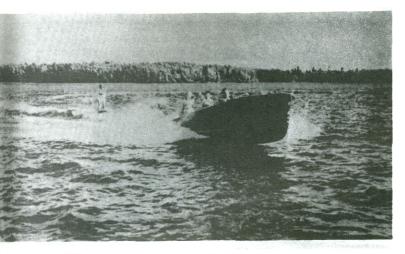
The Chamber of Commerce invites you and your family to enjoy a home of your own in Manitowish Waters.

By — Michael J. Dunn, III

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This enables the resort operator to give you a more satisfactory reply and to recommend the accommodations most suitable for your party.

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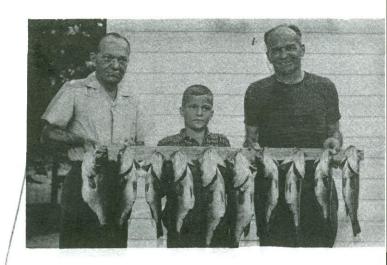
MANY FOLKS are under the impression that you must come to the north country in July and August to enjoy the best weather.

UNDER NORMAL CONDITIONS, we enjoy fine weather in May, June, Sept, and October, and better fishing, too. Then too, most resorts offer special rates in May, June and September as an inducement for the fishermen to come and get 'em.

SEE THE NORTHWOODS IN COLOR — a sight that is worth the trip. Color camera enthusiasts will have a rare treat. About the middle of September the woods begin to show nature's colors that defy an artist's reproduction. Don't miss it! It has often been said that September, with its warm sunny days and cool invigorating nights, is King of the season.

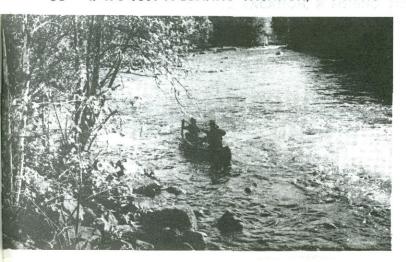
SHOW THIS BOOK TO YOUR FRIENDS who are planning a vacation. They'll appreciate getting information on our wonderful recreational area and it will aid them considerably in selecting their vacation spot.

MANITOWISH WATERS is located in the most picturesque part of the Wisconsin Northwoods!





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LET'S GO FISHING



Fishing at Manitowish Waters provides the thrill that fishermen dream about. Whether you prefer to cast, troll or still fish — this is the place! Here you will find any spot to your liking as the entire chain of lakes are all connected by navigable thoroughfares.

Come up to Manitowish and take on a Muskie — it's a thrill you'll never forget.

In addition to these famous tackle busters, you'll enjoy good Walleye Pike and Bass fishing. Panfish too!

Should you prefer to engage a guide, we have a number of good experienced men in the area. These men will do everything possible to make your fishing trip successful. They'll show you where and how to fish, and how to handle the big ones.

Manitowish Waters is not only an ideal spot for fishermen, but the entire family as well.

While fishing is, as a rule always GOOD at Manitowish Waters, for the BEST fishing we recommend either early or late in the season. At these times the BIG fellows are hungry and strike hard.

Don't overlook the thrill of catching a Sturgeon. Write your favorite resort about the opening dates of sturgeon fishing.







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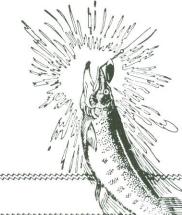
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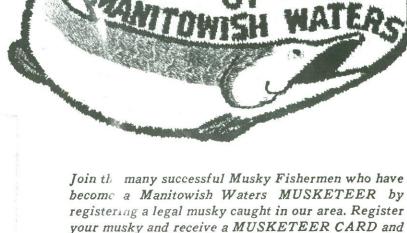
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When all abandon toil and care

In outdoor life in pure pine air,

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Hosts of welcome extending warm hands.

When calls of play arouse you

And tell you vacation is here,

That you long to paddle your own canoe,

Exempt from your job and career,

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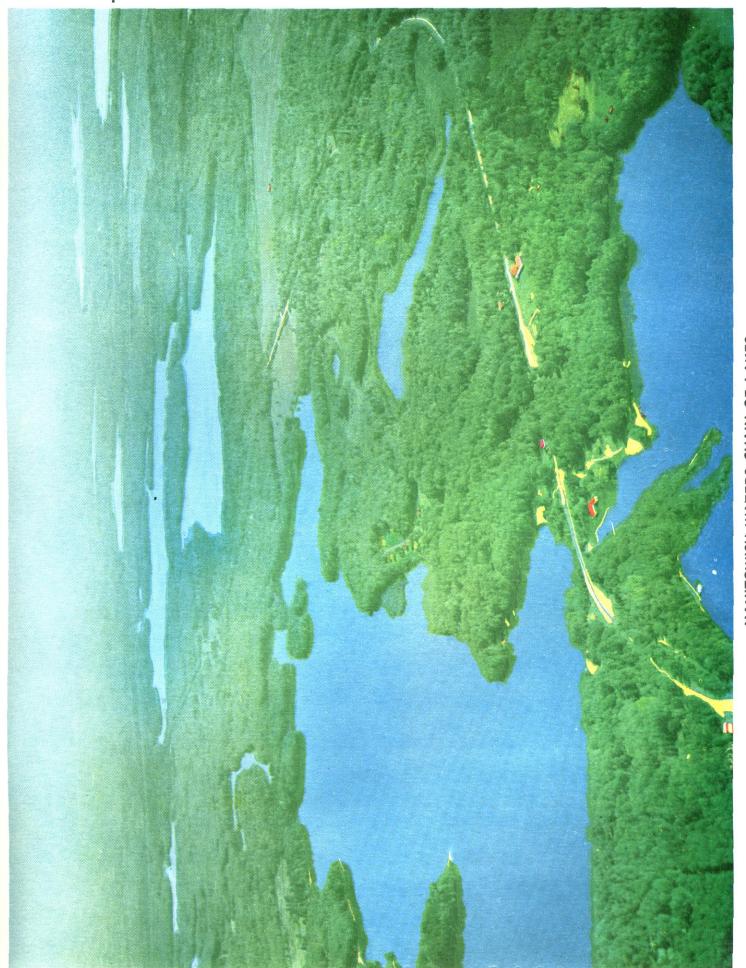
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Sure to gratify every wish.

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