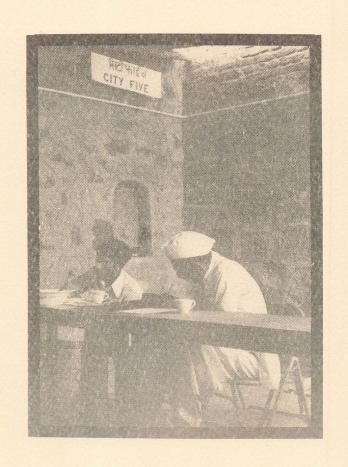
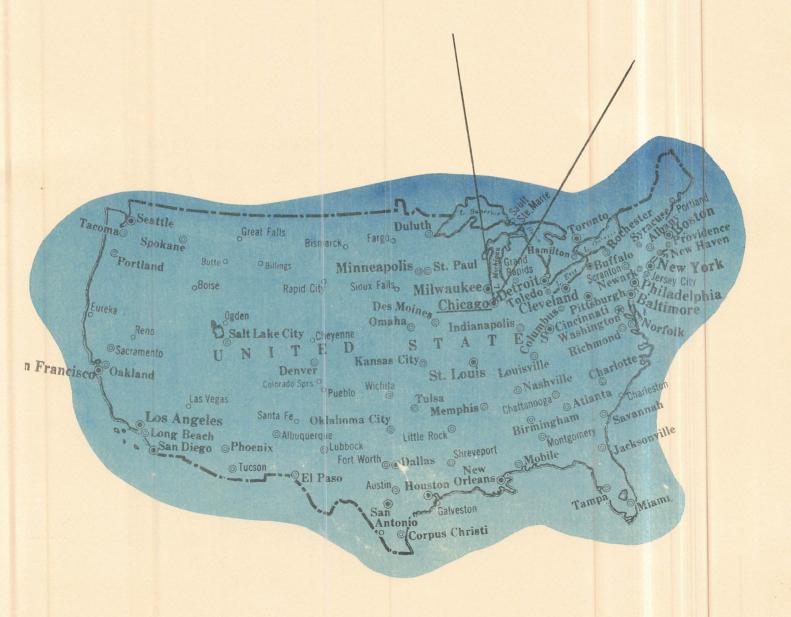
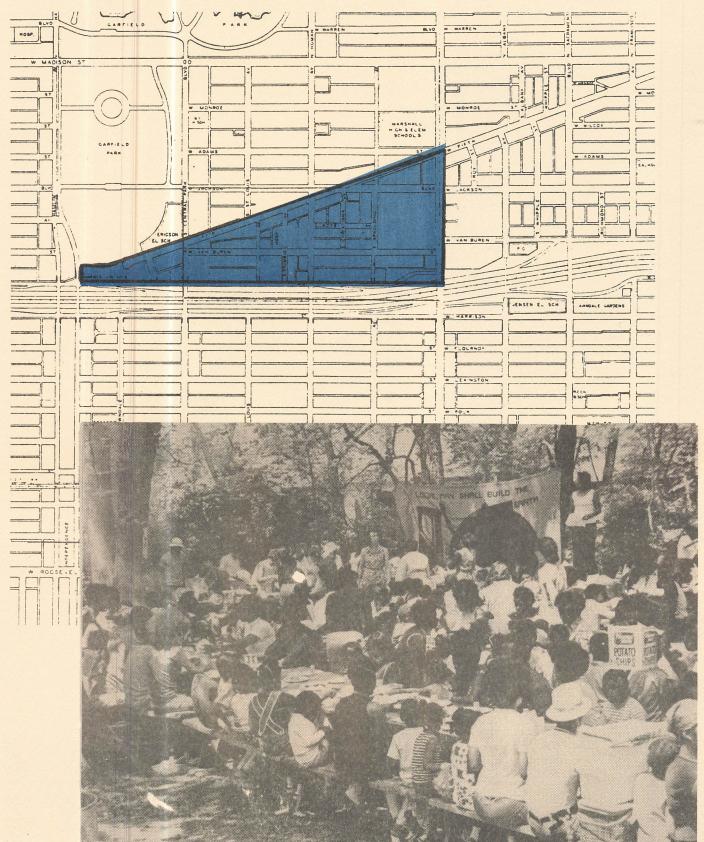
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TOWARD A SECOND DECADE



This is the daily staff collegium of h City. But much of the planning and work is done by other residents of 5th City who volunteer their me and meet every Tuesday night at 7:00 p.m. in "Presidium." The aff meets each morning in Collegium" to coordinate-and on Fridays to celebrate—the ongoing grams of 5th City. Both staff nd volunteer Presidium members are divided into "Guilds" conomic, educational, symbolic, icial, and political) which take responsibility for the programs and encies in that arena.



fongress Celebrates Global Recognition December 14

On December 14 5th Citizens will gather in the ommunity Center for the annual 5th City Congress. The Congress cludes a feast, guild ports on the year's accomplishments, and ng-range planning.

year ago the Congress celebrated the tenth rthday of 5th City and onored the two hundred original Iron Men who eated the 5th City cial Model. Some six hundred people celebra-

chard J. Daley and Chicago city officials, as they dedicated a new Community Center, the Shopping Center, and a facility r the Businessmen's Club.

Mayor Daley said, "We hope that what you are doing here will be emulated and imitad and repeated in every neighborhood in our city. And there is no reason why we can't do in the next ten years what you've one in the last ten years. Because when we moreove the neighborhood, and we improve

5th city news



Mrs. Lela Mosley, Rev. Joseph W. Mathews, Mayor Richard J. Daley

you are invited

TO THE 5th CITY CONGRESS

December 14, 1974

the community, then we improve the city."

This year's 5th City Congress will celebrate the global recognition of 5th City. The 5th City Model has been taken to the globe, and reports from 5th Cities across the globe will be received.

The Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) has nominated 5th City for 'Horizons on Display' as a community which has

demonstrated how citizens can decide the future. HUD will invite delegates from hundreds of nations to visit 5th City in 1976 as they attend the UN HABITAT Conference in Vancouver. The US will present the major achievements of the 'Horizons' communities to the world at the Vancouver meeting.

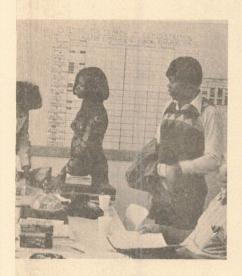
5th Citizens will be working hard during 1975 to complete the operational stage of the 5th City Social Model, so that they will be ready to play host to the globe in 1976.



5th CITY ADULI EDUCATION is now conducting an extension college program of the Central YMCA Community College, offering 12 college credits in English, Math, and Community Services. There are 50 students working toward the GED or AA degree. Classes are held in the afternoons and evenings.

While students are enrolled in the Adult Education Center they may be employed full- or part-time in the Community Center as "Work-Study Students." They get to turn education into practical experience as switchboard receptionists, health outreach workers, building maintenance workers, housing management trainees, preschool teachers' assistants, and clerks

EDUCATION





Left: Work-Study student Carrie Collins (seated) helps Health Outreach workers Leona Morris and Ella Beasley mail out clinic appointment cards.

Far left: Student John Neff (standing on the right) works with the Social Guild to organize the Community Watch.



Left: English is an important subject for Pat Johnson (right) who types letters and file cards every morning in the Promotion Bureau. Pris Wallace (center) is a preschool teacher trainee and Bradley Jones (left) works in housing.

Right: Math class gets put into practice when students are assigned to the finance office and the Credit Union.



h CITY WELCOMES AARON

e as moved a branch office of sumpany (Metropolitan Propty Systems) into the Communventer. Under his guidance heating up a housing anagement trainee program.

Housing management is big siness and the trainee program codes college courses in against, Mathematics, Accounting, Sociology, and Office Skills. Also includes on-the-job anagement training. (For stance, Work-Study trainee as ey Jones, under the director of Carrie Neff, is compiling survey of abandoned buildings reparation for Rehab Pack







Brian Walface is the trainee assigned to the Finance Office.

IND JOBS

College is OK for mothers ke Blanche Moore) but it's a for little girls (like Lisa dere). A bag of potato chips hared by Tyrone Moore) helps sit patiently (?) through the leaday night GED class. Tyrone assigned to the preschool as a per trainee.

Last weekend Mrs. Sally Bell went to the Community Center to get help with her homework. She brought along something to show the math teacher. It was a 6th grade math textbook, and she told him it had been her own when she was in grammar school. She has saved it "because I always wanted to learn this math someday."

Mrs. Bell is 63 years old.

She said that many of her friends told her it was silly for her to enroll in the 5th City College. "But the young ones, Ricky Reed and some others, told me I should go ahead and get my GED." Mrs. Bell plans to have the old book rebound, as a symbol of her faith in education. "That's why I started working in 5th City in the first place. All these years I've hoped we'd find a way to get educated."





Sandblasters remove the "buggy" ign at 422-424 S. Homan.

THINGS ARE CHANGING!

5th City doesn't look like it used to. For instance, the old "buggy building" sign. . .

The first thing people saw when they entered 5th City from the expressway was a silly-looking bug with a hat and glasses that said, "Are you buggy? Call Acorn Exterminating Co."

But now the sign is gone and the "buggy building" is an advertisement for 5th City's rebirth. Construction workers and sandblasters have been rehabilitating it inside and out. Eighteen families will have new homes in this building. And three other rehabs will house forty more families. (The total in 5th City is now twelve rehab apartment buildings and 140 units.)



5th City Preschoolers inspect the four new rehabs.

NEW HOUSING



3401-3411 W. Jackson





225 S. Homan









THE IRON MAN used to be tucked away between Sam's and the Old Node, where nobody could see him. So the businessmen moved him and now he stands on the triangle at 5th Avenue and Homan—where nobody can miss him. (A bus and a falling light pole just about didn't.

The short section of 5th Avenue in front of the new shopping center will soon be closed for THE IRON MAN PLAZA. It will make the center of 5th City look more attractive, and it will make the dangerous six-way intersection much safer.

SAFE STREETS

THE 5th CITY JETS help keep the streets clean and safe by organizing periodic Clean-up Days. Last spring vacation they worked five days straight, with brooms, shovels, wheelbarrows and their bare hands. They cleared empty lots. And they literally swept the sidewalks and streets up Homan from Congress to Madison and along 5th Avenue and Trumbull.

.... A MAN'S JOB

THE BUSINESSMEN'S CLUB is a newly formed group of 5th City men, emerging from the leadership on the housing, preschool, and shopping center boards. They are starting the rehabilitation of the "Old Node" as the 5th City Office Building. Another way the Businessmen's Club serves the community is through their Safe Streets program, which has three parts:

1. The Community Watch—a network of citizen watchmen who keep track of what is happening 24 hours a day, on a

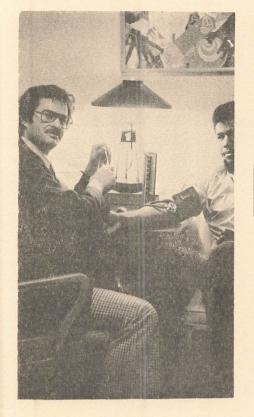
block-by-block basis.

- 2. The Citizens' Alert—a team of community-approved and trained volunteers who patrol the streets in cars or stand ready to go to the scene of a disturbance when notified by the Community Watch.
- 3. The Whistlestop Program
 —a drive to get residents to use
 whistles to signal each other for
 help when an emergency arises.

The 5th City Businessmen's Club is asking for money and volunteers to help with the program.







"The Iron Man is a symbol of the 5th City organization, denoting the strength of mind and purpose of the community residents. Iron is also needed for strength in the body. If a person has too little, this leads to a condition known as iron deficiency anemia, which is only one type of anemia and very common. Many people do not realize they have it.

"An anemia is a condition in which there is too little red blood pigment or hemoglobin in the bloodstream. As a result, the body cannot get enough oxygen in times of stress or hard work. A person who has anemla often feels tired

Left: Dr. Coleman examines a patient in the 5th City clinic.

"Iron delicione, anemia usually results from a diet which does not contain enough high iron foods. Such foods should be eaten three times a day. They are green vegetables, such as cabbage, spinach, or other greens; meats such as beef, chicken, and liver; beans such as lima beans and black-eved peas; and fruits, especially prunes and raisins.

"The only way to really know if you have iron deficiency anemia is to have a doctor's examination and a blood test. If this condition is found, medication can be prescribed to correct it. An examinais available at the 5th City clinic."

(next issue: HYPERTENSION)

HEALTH

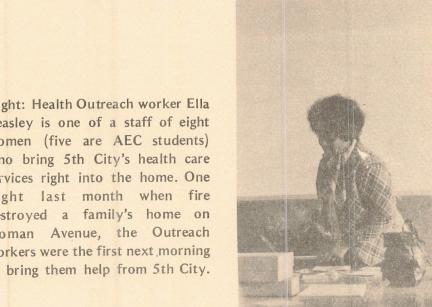
PRESCHOOL

HEALTH OUTPOST SERVICES

Physical Examination Family Planning Regular Screening Care for Illness Lead Testing **Immunization** Information & Referral

HOURS:

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday 9:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Wednesday night 5:30 to 9:00 p.m. Saturday 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Don't forget-the clinic is now open on Saturdays.



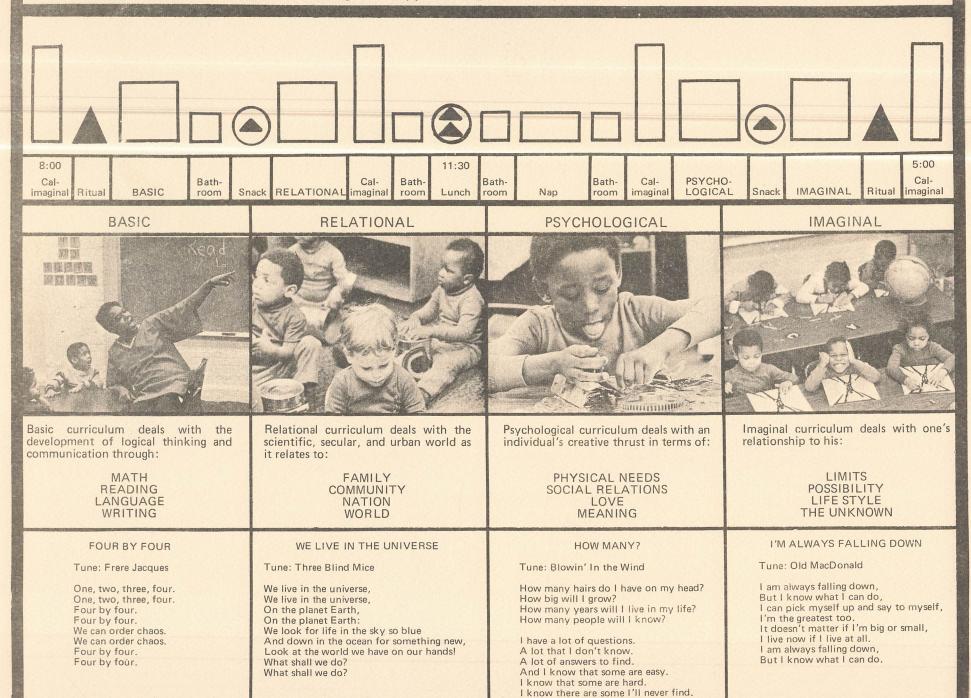
This is the day we have, This is the day we have, We can live this day, Or throw it away.... This is the day we have, So let's pick up this day and LIVE!

The 5th City Preschool time design is shown at the right. It is based upon extensive study and research on the natural daily rhythm of a preschool age child. The total day is imaged as teaching time with four curriculum areas: Basic, Relational, Psychological, and Imaginal.

Songs, rituals, and decor are teaching tools used in the curriculum, and during calimaginal, or creative play time, to help the children develop images of themselves as unique, responsive, human beings.

Right: Health Outreach worker Ella Beasley is one of a staff of eight women (five are AEC students) who bring 5th City's health care services right into the home. One night last month when fire destroyed a family's home on Homan Avenue, the Outreach workers were the first next morning to bring them help from 5th City.

THIS IS THE DAY WE HAVE.....





5th CITY SOCIAL MODEL 1 DESIGN FOR COMPREHENSIVE COMMUNITY REFORMULATION									
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	NEIGHBORHOOD RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION		ADVANCED EDUCATION REFERRAL		GLOBAL RELATIONS COMMISSION		FIFTH CITY PROMOTION BUREAU		FIFTH CITY CITIZENS CONGRESS



MARCHING SONG OF THE IRON MEN

Tune: The Battle Hymn of the Republic

Deep within the hearts of Black Men charred by bitterness and pain, By three hundred years of slavery, of injustice, fear and shame, Burns the spark of human dignity which history will claim As the destiny of man.

Men of iron, we stand together, (3 times) for the dignity of man.

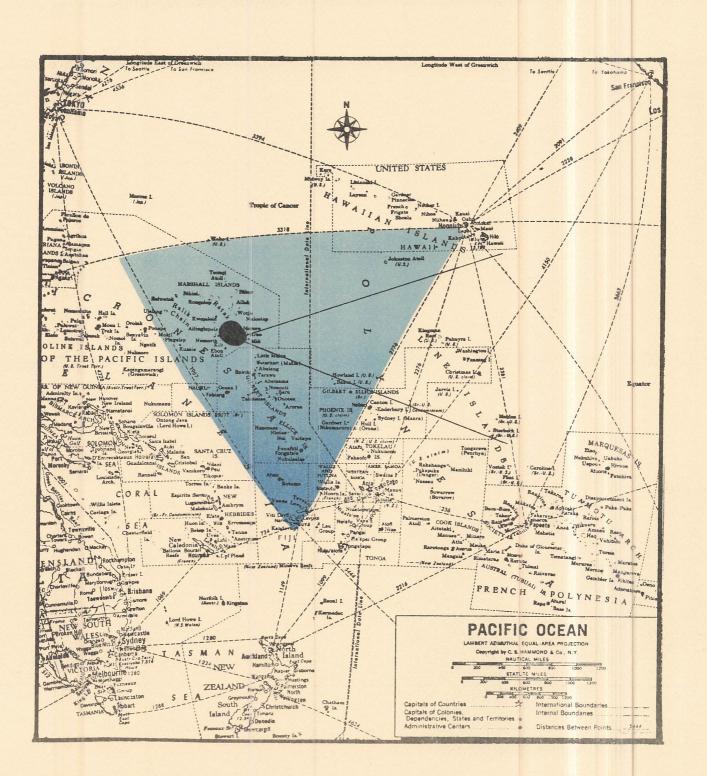
From the blackness of the West Side, now the spark bursts into flame Rushing outward from Fifth City, from Chicago whence it came, Spreading forth to every city, every nation to proclaim The dignity of man.

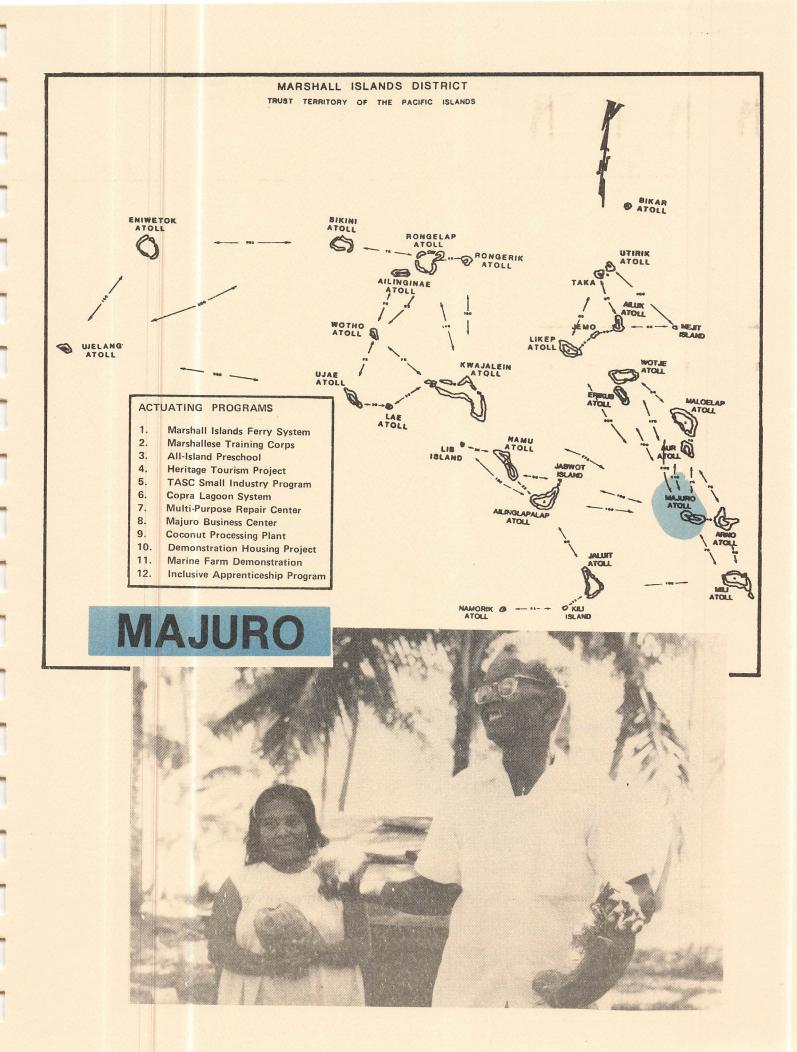
Man of iron, we march together. . . For the dignity of man.

See the vision of a life style stretch before the eyes of man, From Brazil, to France, to China, from the Congo to Iran. Where all men can live in freedom, claim their power and their plan, Full humanness for all.

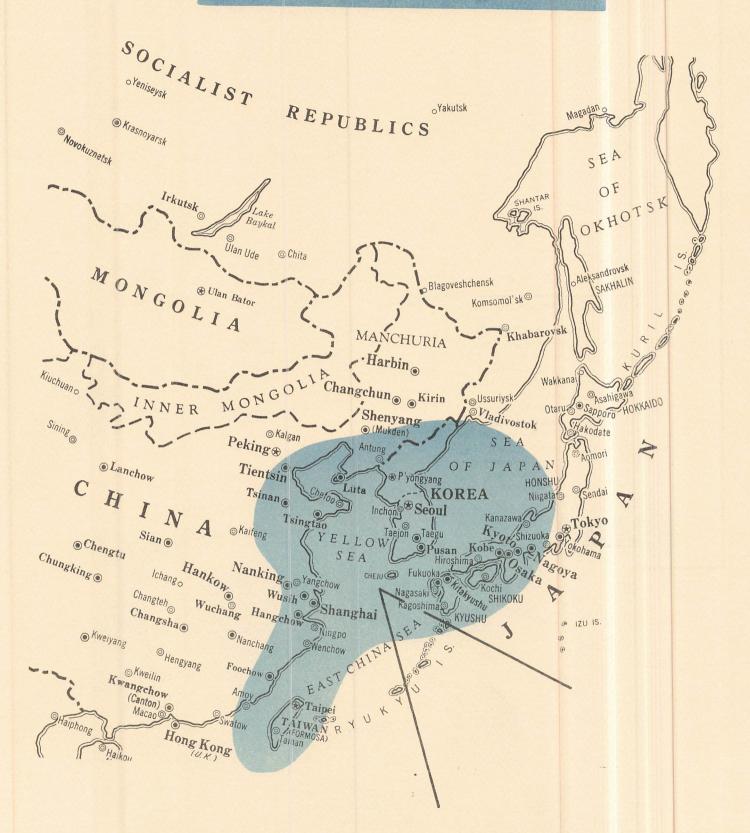
Men of iron, march on together. . . Toward the destiny of man.

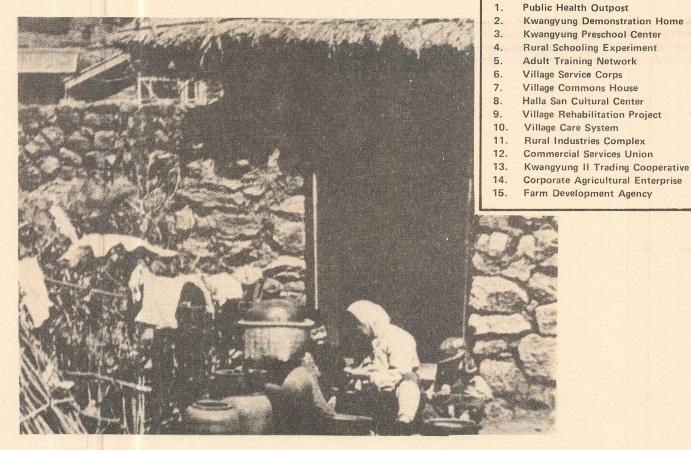
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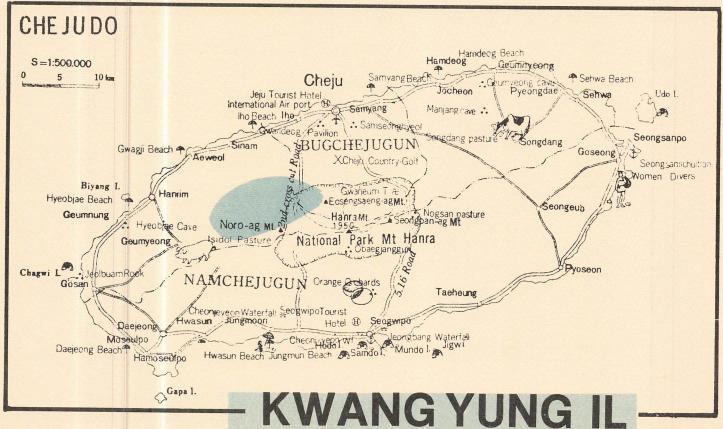


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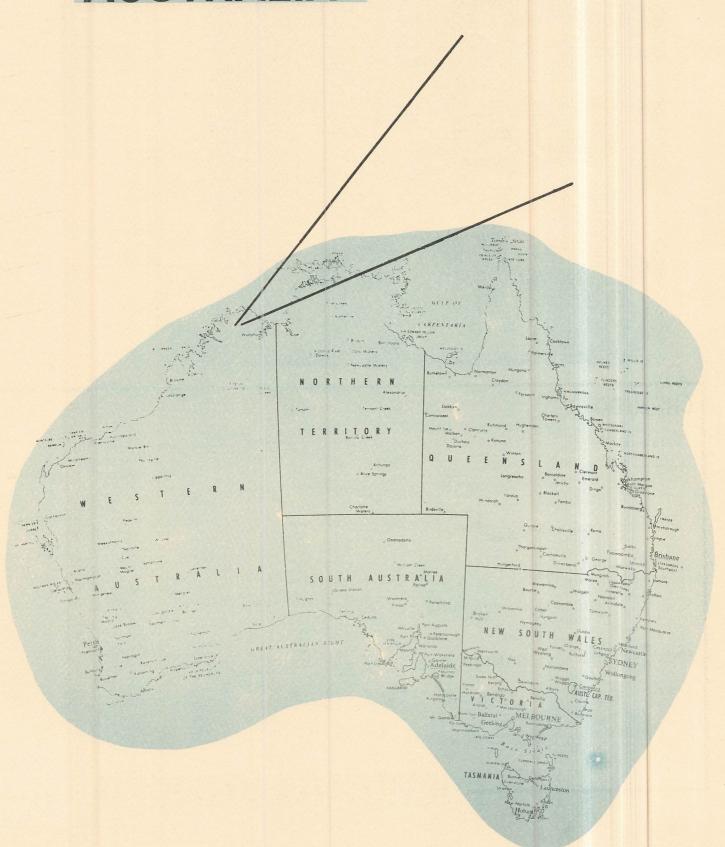


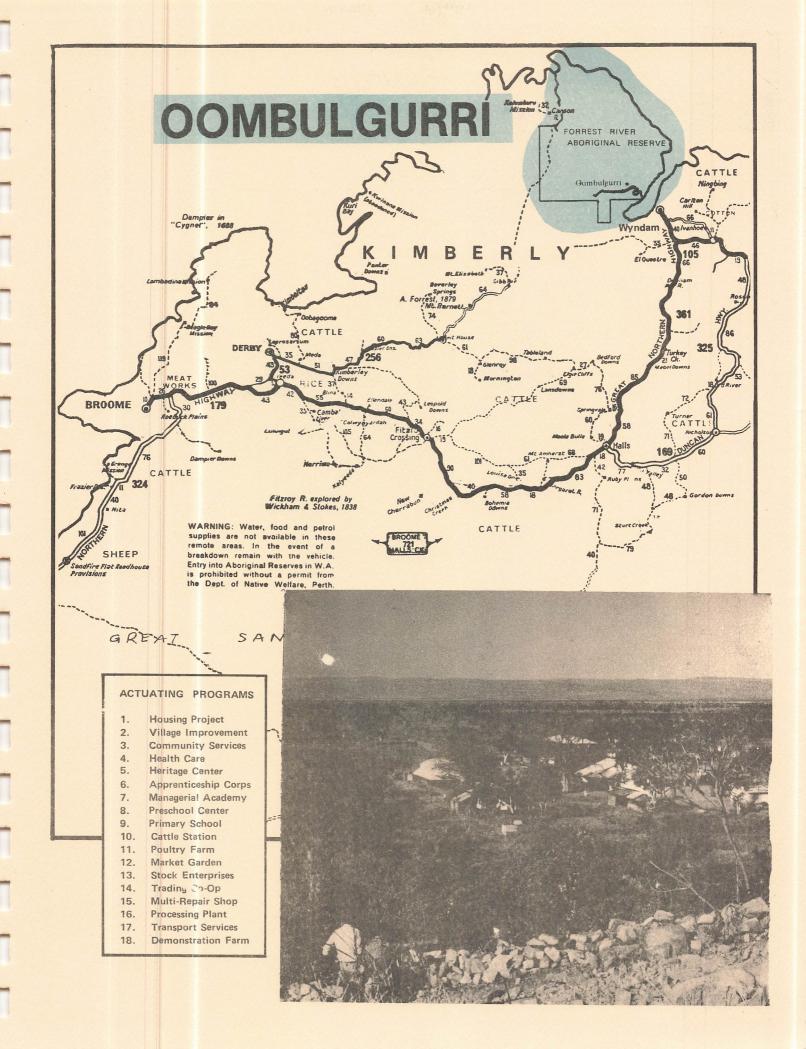


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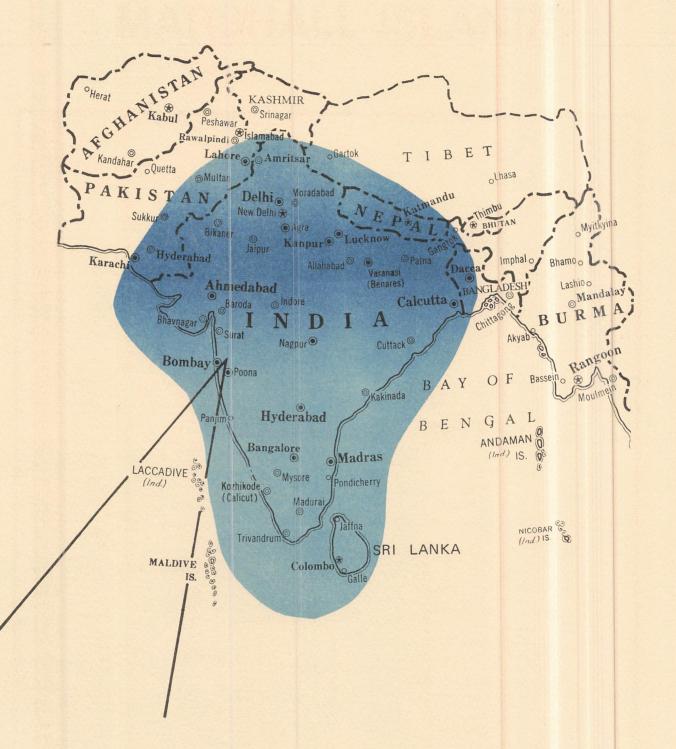


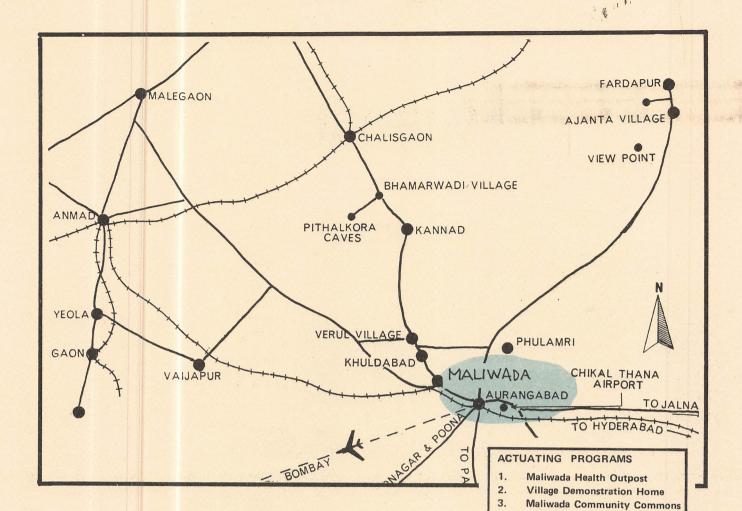
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Village Reconstruction Project

Agricultural Produce Enterprises

Maliwada Farmers Cooperative

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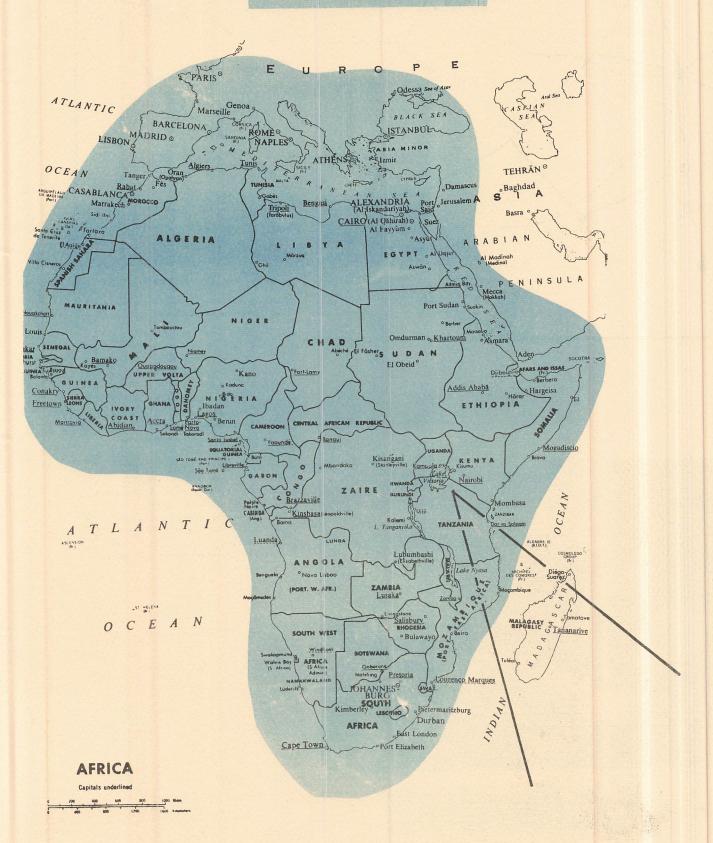
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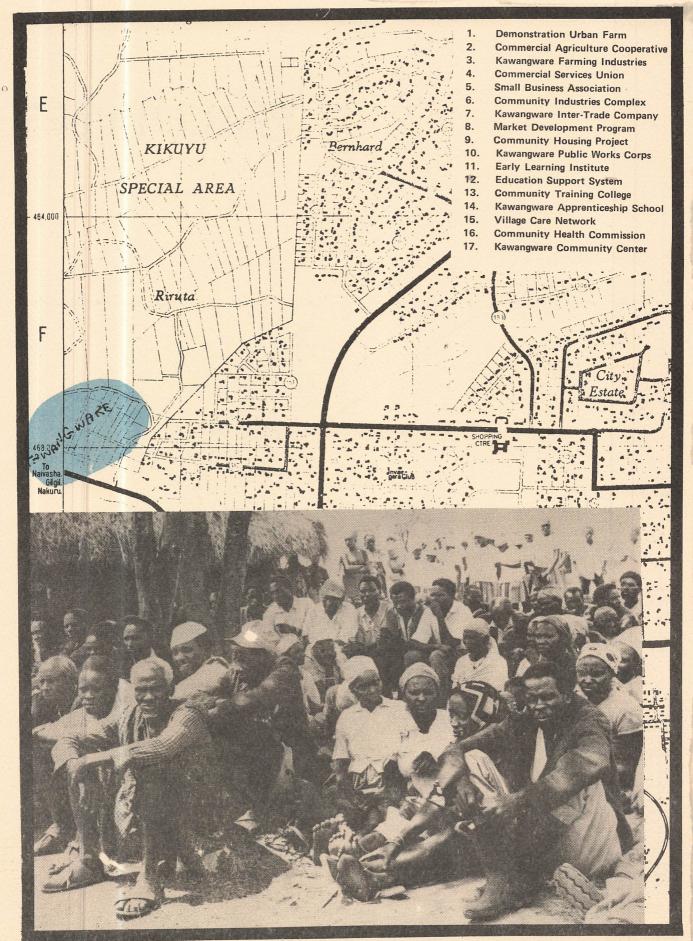
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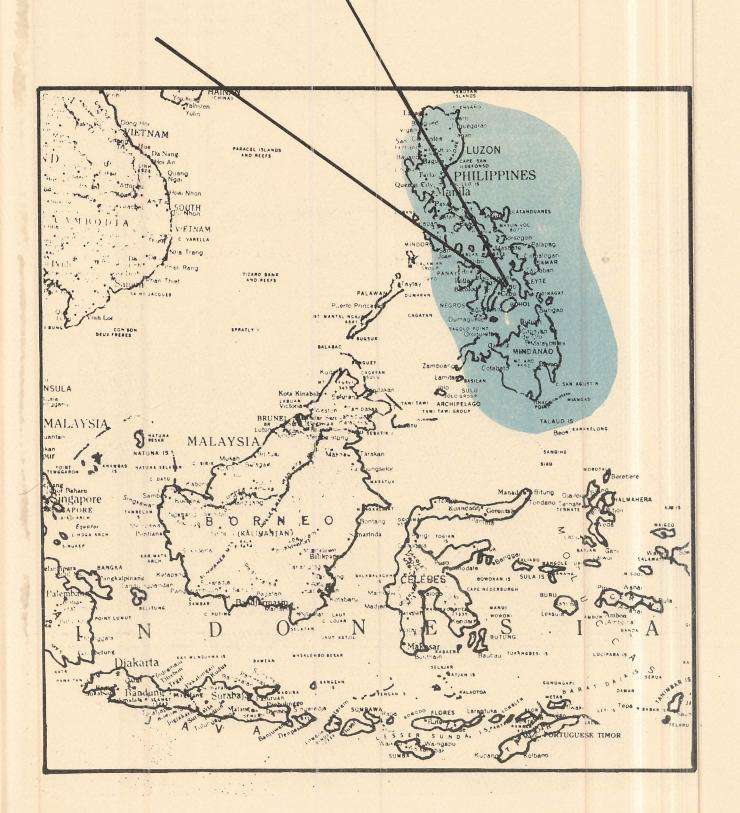
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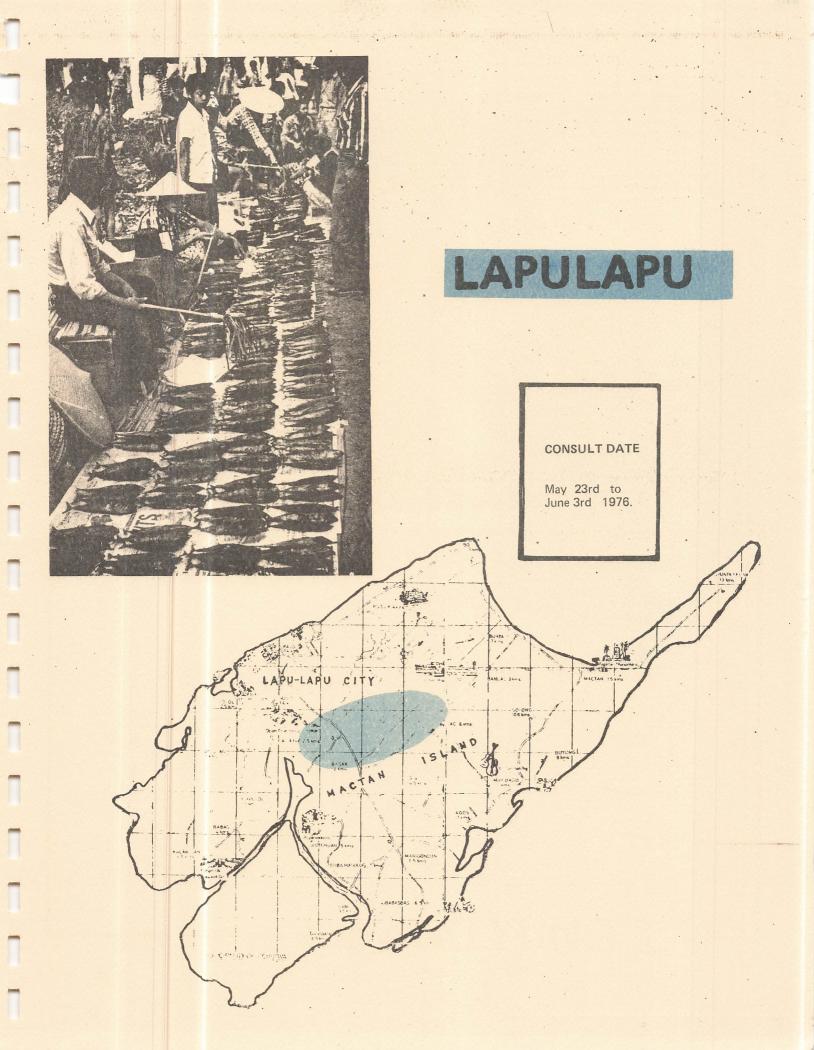




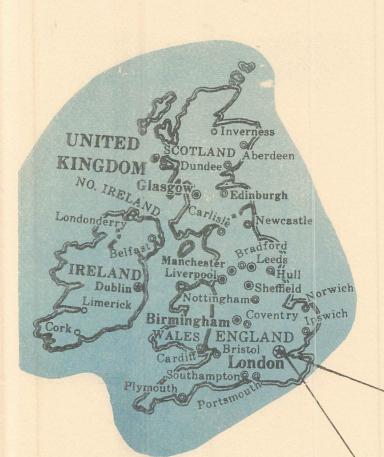
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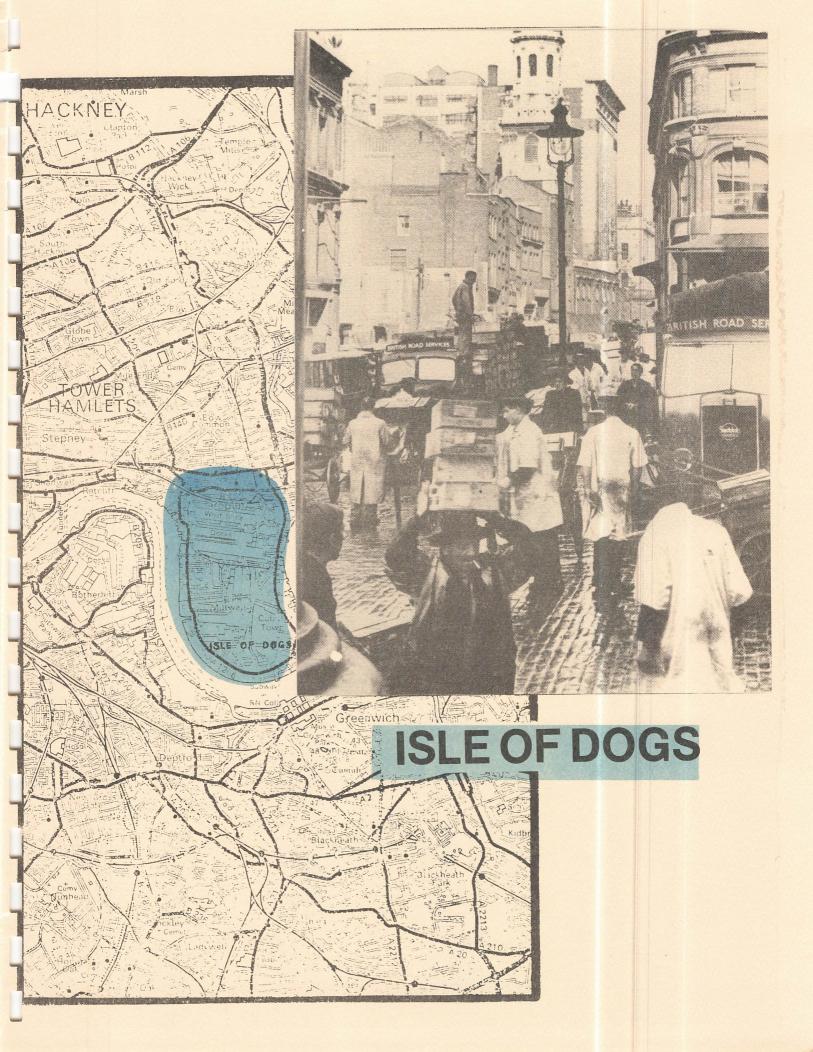
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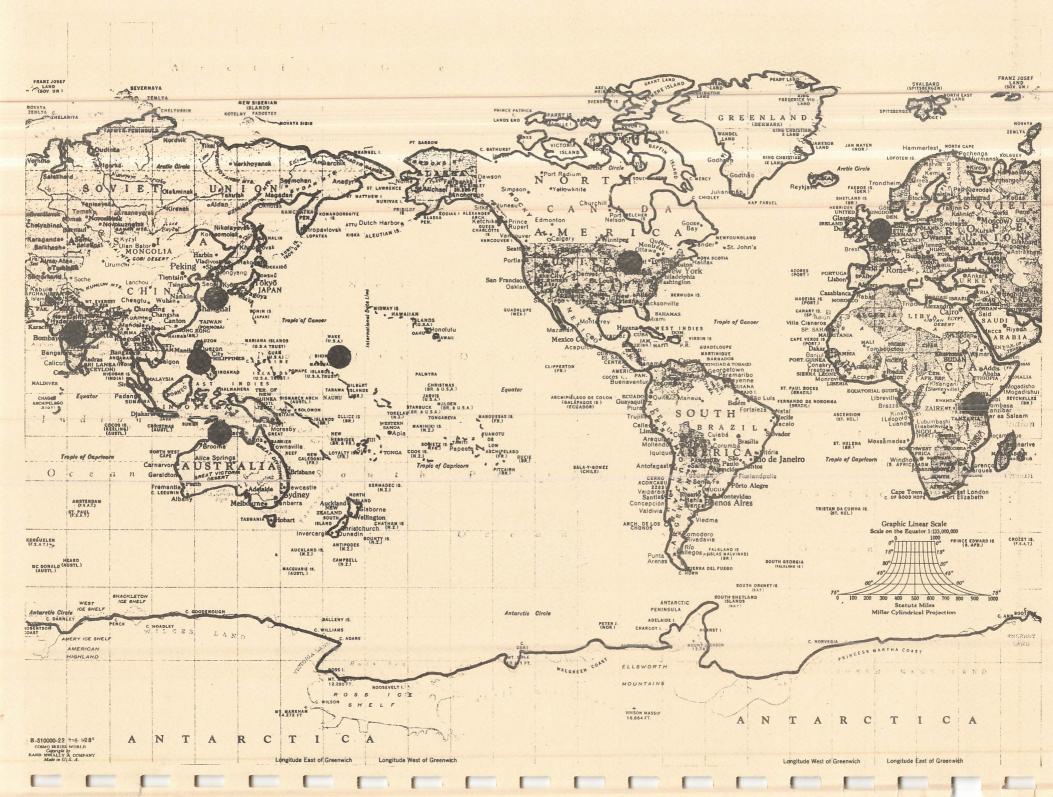




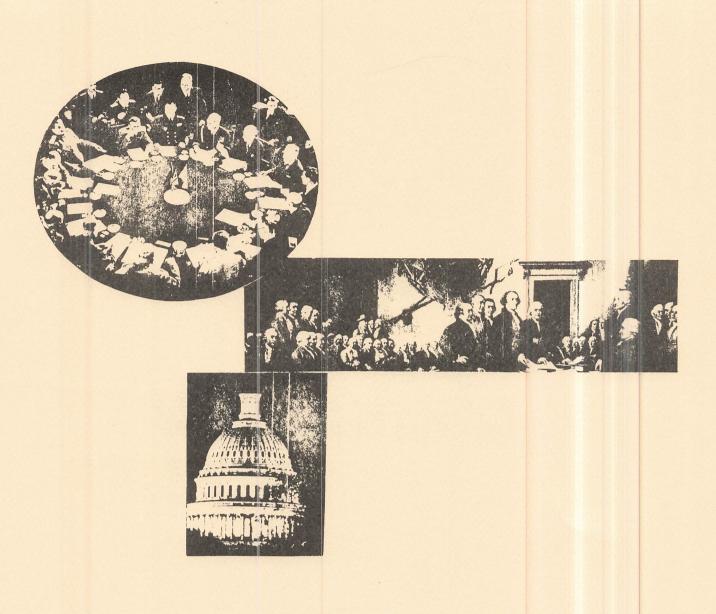
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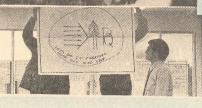
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TOWN MEETING '76

Sub-freezing weather did nothing to chill the ardor of nearly 300 New Yorkers who gathered on the upper West Side recently to celebrate the 200th anniversary of the Republic's birth. It was a bicentennial event, but compared to most programs it was wholly unique. These people were wrestling with the issues and problems that confront their community, and mapping out strategies to deal with them.

What is so exciting about Town Meeting '76 is that it plugs the people into the bicentennial celebration. It is an excercise in genuine democracy. There are no predetermined topics, no self-appointed "experts" around to tell the people what they should be talking about. What happens at a Town Meeting is precisely what happened at town meetings in colonial days: the people examine where they have been and where they are going.

We believe this is what the bicentennial should be all about. Hoopla, fireworks and pageantry have their place. But the gut issue is what kind of nation are we preparing for our children.

The Institute of Cultural Affairs, the non-profit organization that created the program, is gearing up for 5.000 Town Meetings across the country.

We hope as many people as possible will get involved with the bicentennial through Town Meeting '76.

Problems Identified, Solutions Sought

76 Attracts 600 Town Meeting

By MICHAEL KERR

American Staff Writer
Proposals ranging from setting up a "brag on Odessa committee" to building a Downtown Odessa civic center were the result of a whole day's work by a number of Odessans at "town meeting "76" Saturday at Odessa

College
Peak attendance at the meeting was about 600 persons.
During the morning sessions, they discussed economic, cultural and political problems, then thought up some solutions during the afternoon.

SOME OF THEM also wrote and a story about Odessa.

SOME OF THEM also write and a story about Outcome, and devised an Odessa emblem and slogan: "participating to improve the quality of life."

After the meeting, which ended about 6 p.m., a booklet summarizing the day's work was issued, but it wasn't ready until 6:30 p.m., and many didn't wait around to get a

copy.

The participants in the meeting were divided into eight groups for discussions, and each group had its own set of challenges for today and tomorrow" and "proposals to meet the challenges."

THE MEETING started at about 9:30 a.m. Saturday, and there was an interlude at 12:30 p.m. for lunch, which was served by the Odessa Chuck Wagon Gang. There was also much community singing, both in and out

of the individual groups.

the town meeting resulted in a list of 41

ncluded lack of diversification of industry, limited They included lack of diversification of industry, limited tax base, lack of awareness about federal money, economic discrimination, lack of citizen involvement in government, public apathy, the need for more cultural and community tacilities. Lack of a community identity, need for a new library and a new community image.

Some of the solutions were imaginative.

ONE GROUP proposed a "brag on Odessa committee" shich would use advertising such as "bumper stickers. Tharts, sky writing, etc., highlighting existing facilities—the Globe Theatre, Permian Playhouse, symphony, Presidential Museum, super weather, economic conditions, etc."

Another group proposed building a civic center plewatown and suggested ways to do it—making presentations to the city and county, federal funds or a bond election.

Still another group proposed a better relationship between Odessa and Midland

There was also a proposal for the housing shortage. One group, giving as its goal the production of "sufficient and low cost housing for the elderly, middle income and students," proposed the city "seek available federal funds, seek private sector financing, seek economical land, through making everyone aware that there is a need and research through interested community groups, and local coverning bodies."

OTHER PROPOSALS included a political action committee, a community coordinating council and a proposal for the City Council to "meet at a better time for

e average working man."
The council now meets at 1:30 p.m. on the second and fourth Mondays of each month and at 9 a.m. on the second and fourth Mondays of each month and at 9 a.m. on the second and fourth Tuesdays.

Another group proposed "the use of sealed plastic trash

containers through making the public aware of the need containers through making the public aware of the need.
Still another group came up with the idea to propose, in
order to elect qualified people, "personal and community
involvement through supporting qualified persons voting
and encouraging others to vote, paying attention to
candidates views and positions, and maintaining contact
with whomever is a located. with whomever is elected."

NOW THAT THE town meeting is over, the idea is to continue its work through the steering committee, which has set its next meeting for March 10 and plans to continue

The steering committee is made up of representatives of

the organizations that sponsored the town meeting. As an end result, it plans to eventually publish a book entitled "Goals for Odessa."

The town meeting was carried out with the help of a consultant, the Institute of Cultural Affairs of Chicago. Ill. which even had a booklet prepared on how to go about holding a town meeting.

Participants in the meeting got copies of it and used it

throughout the day

In the morning, they started out with singing and a pep talk, then divided into eight groups to discuss the challenges.

AFTER LUNCH, for which 615 tickets were sold for \$1.50

each, they went back to their groups to discuss solutions. At 4.30 p.m., they were back at the OC student union building for a general assembly to discuss the problems and solutions arrived at by all eight groups, or "guilds" as

Two of those groups worked on the song, story, emblem

and singan.
The song is entitled "O O Odessa," and is sung to the tune
of "You Are My Sunshine."
Its chorus runs. "Oh Oh Odessa, we love you dearly/ We
want to stay here till we die/ We hope for water, we pray for water/ Before our oil wells all run dry."

THE PRIMARY sponsor of the town meeting was the American Association of Retired Persons, and the coordinators were Nancy Graves and Johnnie Glass.

The master of ceremonies during the general assemblies was Ernest Laseter, and Mayor Dan Hemphill gave a brief

Charles Lingo of the Institute of Cultural Affairs set the tone for the day's discussions in his talk delivered at the first general assembly.

"WHAT'S HAPPENED is a new image of human settlement has come into being," he told the group. "Local man lives in a braid new post-modern world, and it's a wilderness for him."

He added, "I suggest to you it's a wir .. ness of rapid

social change.
"As in the American revolution, so 200 years later local people are no longer willing to let someone else decide their destiny," Lingo said.

He explained the purpose of the meeting was "to wrestle with the issues of what their local community is going to

"IT HAS BECOME all to clear that this bewildering world requires a new kind of coming together, if you will, a town meeting," he said.

He also said there are to be some 5,000 town meetings held throughout the country this year, and he said that altogether there were 13 town meetings being held Saturday in the United States and Canada.



DOWNTOWN CIVIC CENTER TALKED AT SATURDAY SESSION

... Solutions To City's Problems Discussed

Wadena breaks Town Meeting Record-

Wadena county's Town Meeting '76 in keeping with the nation's bicentennial was like an old fashioned July Fourth celebration in February.

700 Turn-Out for largest

Town Meeting Ever

Sponsored by the Wadena Bicentennial committee cooperation with the Institute of Cultural Affairs (ICA), the day's program included a tasty meal, a sprinkling of patriotic, folk and gospel songs by the New Relationship, foot-tapping music from the senior citizens band, the reciting of an original poem by Ervin Dexter, Nimrod, and a great deal of socializing by more than 725 who came for the day.

Behind the homespun jokes and friendly chatter were morning and afternoon workshops dealing with economic, political and cultural challenges within our

county. Here more than 500 county citizens took time to openly face the serious matter of what is to be done in the years ahead to affect change for a better tomorrow.

Workshop chairmen Kent Verndale, Baldry, Sandy Schumacker, Menahga, Dave Lepinski, Sebeka, and Lowell Rasmussen, Wadena, spent time in leadership training prior to the Town meeting in an effort to make the sessions meaningful.

While each workshop heard challenges made by individuals, particularly the older set, one common opinion made was the lack of citizens becoming involved and interested in local and county affairs.

While the theme of Town Meeting '76 was "Expanding

vesterday's achievements for a better tomorrow" the workshops brought to light the apathy and indifference of county citizens to objectively face common problems and a try at solving these problems.

While 725 persons from the county's 12,000 population exerted energy to participate in a noteworthy bicentennial event, the published summary of Town Meeting '76 should not be left on a library shelf to gather dust. There is a great deal to be learned and considered from this summary. The Town Meeting on St. Valentine's Day is a rebirth of an early American tradition which should be practiced here, not once in every 200 years, but perhaps once each month.

R.H.



THE MAIL-STAR

Town status suggested By GORDON MURRAY for Sackville

Sackville should become a town a group of approximately 100 citizens from the community decided during the weekend at the first community forum ever held east of Montreal.

Community action day as it was billed by its sponsors, the Greater Sackville Community Council with assistance from the Institute of Cultural Affairs dealt with the economic, cultural and political requirements in the community.

From all three groups who studied the needs under the above headings, the need for local government for Sackville came out, in the 11 page report at the end of the day.

While each of the three areas pointed out other needs in the community including a multiservice centre, planning, improved services, transportation, better use of the media, and the hiring of a social planning officer, all three came back to call for self government as part of the solution to meeting these challenges.

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Problems Identified, Solutions Sought

76 Attracts 600 Town Meeting

American Staff Writer

Proposals ranging from setting up a "brag on Odessa committee" to building a Downtown Odessa civic center were the result of a whole day's work by a number of Odessans at "town meeting '76" Saturday at Odessa

Peak attendance at the meeting was about 600 persons. During the morning sessions, they discussed economic, cultural and political problems, then thought up some solutions during the afternoon

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SOME OF THEM also write and a story about Ocessa, and devised an Odessa emblem and slogan: "participating to improve the quality of life."

After the meeting, which ended about 6 p.m., a booklet summarizing the day's work was issued, but it wasn't ready until 6:30 p.m., and many didn't wait around to get a

copy.

The participants in the meeting were divided into eight groups for discussions, and each group had its own set of challenges for today and tomorrow" and "proposals to meet the challenges."

THE MEETING started at about 9:30 a.m. Saturday, and there was an interlude at 12:30 p.m. for lunch, which was served by the Odessa Chuck Wagon Gang. There was also much community singing, both in and out of the individual groups.

the town meeting resulted in a list of 41

They included lack of diversification of industry, limited They included lack of diversification of industry, limited tax base, lack of awareness about federal money, economic discrimination, lack of citizen involvement in government, public apathy, the need for more cultural and community identities, lack of a community identity, need for a new library and a new community image.

Some of the solutions were imaginative.

ONE GROUP proposed a "brag on Odessa committee" shirth would use advertising such as "bumper stickers. It bursts sky writing, etc., highlighting existing facilities the Globe Theatre, Permian Playhouse, symphony, Presidential Museum, super weather, economic conditions, etc."

Another group proposed building a civic center bountown and suggested ways to do it — making resentations to the city and county, federal funds or a

Still another group proposed a better relationship between Odessa and Midland

There was also a proposal for the housing shortage to group, giving as its goal the production of "sufficient and low cost housing for the elderly, middle income and students." proposed the city "seek available federal funds, seek private sector financing, seek economical land, through making everyone aware that there is a need and research through interested community groups, and local governing bodies."

OTHER PROPOSALS included a political action committee, a community coordinating council and a proposal for the City Council to "meet at a better time for the average working man.'

The council now meets at 1:30 p.m. on the second and

fourth Mondays of each month and at 9 a.m. on the second and fourth Tuesdays.

Another group proposed "the use of sealed plastic trash containers through making the public aware of the need." containers through making the public aware of the need.
Still another group came up with the idea to propose, in
order to elect qualified people, "personal and community
involvement through supporting qualified persons voting
and encouraging others to vote, paying attention to
candidates views and positions, and maintaining contact
with whomevar is aleafed. with whomever is elected."

NOW THAT THE town meeting is over, the idea is to continue its work through the steering committee, which has set its next meeting for March 10 and plans to continue

The steering committee is made up of representatives of

the organizations that sponsored the town meeting
As an end result, it plans to eventually publish a book
entitled "Goals for Odessa."

The town meeting was carried out with the help of a consultant, the Institute of Cultural Affairs of Chicago, Ill., which even had a booklet prepared on how to go about holding a town meeting.

Participants in the meeting got copies of it and used it

throughout the day.

In the morning, they started out with singing and a pep then divided into eight groups to discuss the

AFTER LUNCH, for which 615 tickets were sold for \$1.50 each, they went back to their groups to discuss solutions. At 4.30 p.m., they were back at the OC student union building for a general assembly to discuss the problems and solutions arrived at by all eight groups, or "guilds" as

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Its chorus runs: "Oh Oh Odessa, we love you dearly/ We want to stay here till we die/ We hope for water, we pray for water/ Before our oil wells all run dry."

THE PRIMARY sponsor of the town meeting was the American Association of Retired Persons, and the coordinators were Nancy Graves and Johnnie Glass.

The master of ceremonies during the general assemblies was Ernest Laseter, and Mayor Dan Hemphill gave a brief

Charles Lingo of the Institute of Cultural Affairs set the tone for the day's discussions in his talk delivered at the first general assembly.

"WHAT'S HAPPENED is a new image of human settlement has come into being," he told the group "Local man lives in a brand new post-modern world, and it's a wilderness for him."

He added, "I suggest to you it's a win Liness of rapid social change.

'As in the American revolution, so 200 years later local people are no longer willing to let someone else decide their destiny," Lingo said.

He explained the purpose of the meeting was "to wrestle with the issues of what their local community is going to

"IT HAS BECOME all to clear that this bewildering world requires a new kind of coming together, if you will, a town meeting," he said.

He also said there are to be some 5,000 town meetings and throughout the country this year, and he said that held throughout the country this year, and he said that altogether there were 13 town meetings being held Saturday in the United States and Canada.



DOWNTOWN CIVIC CENTER TALKED AT SATURDAY SESSION ... Solutions To City's Problems Discussed

Wadena breaks Town Meeting Record-

Wadena county's Town Meeting '76 in keeping with the nation's bicentennial was like an old fashioned July Fourth celebration in February.

700 Turn-Out for largest

Town Meeting Ever

Sponsored by the Wadena Bicentennial committee cooperation with the Institute of Cultural Affairs (ICA), the day's program included a tasty meal, a sprinkling of patriotic, folk and gospel songs by the New Relationship, foot-tapping music from the senior citizens band, the reciting of an original poem by Ervin Dexter, Nimrod, and a great deal of socializing by more than 725 who came for the day.

Behind the homespun jokes and friendly chatter were morning and afternoon workshops dealing with economic, political and cultural challenges within our

county. Here more than 500 county citizens took time to openly face the serious matter of what is to be done in the years ahead to affect change for a better tomorrow.

Workshop chairmen Kent Baldry, Verndale, Sandy Schumacker, Menahga, Dave Lepinski, Sebeka, and Lowell Rasmussen, Wadena, spent time in leadership training prior to the Town meeting in an effort to make the sessions meaningful.

While each workshop heard challenges made by individuals, particularly the older set, one common opinion made was the lack of citizens becoming involved and interested in local and county

While the theme of Town Meeting '76 was "Expanding yesterday's achievements for a better tomorrow" the workshops brought to light the apathy and indifference of county citizens to objectively face common problems and a try at solving these problems.

While 725 persons from the county's 12,000 population exerted energy to participate in a noteworthy bicentennial event, the published summary of Town Meeting '76 should not be left on a library shelf to gather dust. There is a great deal to be learned and considered from this summary. The Town Meeting on St. Valentine's Day is a rebirth of an early American tradition which should be practiced here, not once in every 200 years, but perhaps once each month.

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THE MAIL-STAR

Town status suggested By GORDON MURRAY for Sackville

Sackville should become a town a group of approximately 100 citizens from the community decided during the weekend at the first community forum ever held east of Montreal.

Community action day as it was billed by its sponsors, the Greater Sackville Community Council with assistance from the Institute of Cultural Affairs dealt with the economic, cultural and political requirements in the community.

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Citizens Implement Proposals of Town Meeting

FESTIVAL & PARADE



By PAULA McLAUGHLIN Journal Reporter

Rain soaked the participants of Ottawa West's community festival Saturday, but nothing could dampen their spirits.

The festival, featuring a parade, penny carnival, folk dancing, arts and crafts and even a blueberry pie eating contest, attracted more than 200 persons to the community centre on Wellington Street.

Ottawa mayor Lorry Greenberg, Ald. Pat Nichol and Ottawa West MP Lloyd Francis shared in the "celebration of the sights, sounds history and future of Ottawa West."

The local residents displayed their talents as cooks, musicians and carnival barkers as they delighted youngsters with a variety of free entertainment.

The Ottawa Muslim Women's Auxiliary displayed architect's drawing of the mosque they are trying to raise funds for — the only one of its kind in Ottawa.

The Laurier Golden Age Club had an exhibition of handicrafts and nostalgia The Fisher Park High School Senior choir, who have sung across Canada and in Europe, entertained the crowds with a variety of international folk songs.

Ottawa Centre MPP Michael Cassidy described the festival as "people building a community spirit in an area that has been weak in community organization."

The festival was an outgrowth of a community forum.

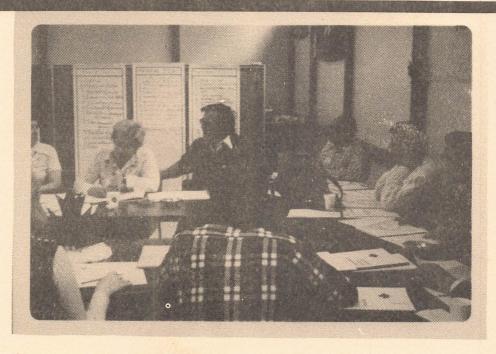
The forum, one of a series of dialogues being conducted

across Canada between now and before 1976 by the Institute of Cultural Affairs, an international, non-governmental agency, was held so residents could discuss the cultural, economic and political problems facing their community.

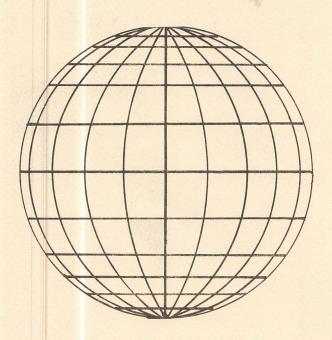
The results of the forums will be compiled and presented to Habitat, the United Nations conference on human settlement to be held in Vancouver in 1976.

Festival organizers said the event was a success and likely will become an annual event.

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