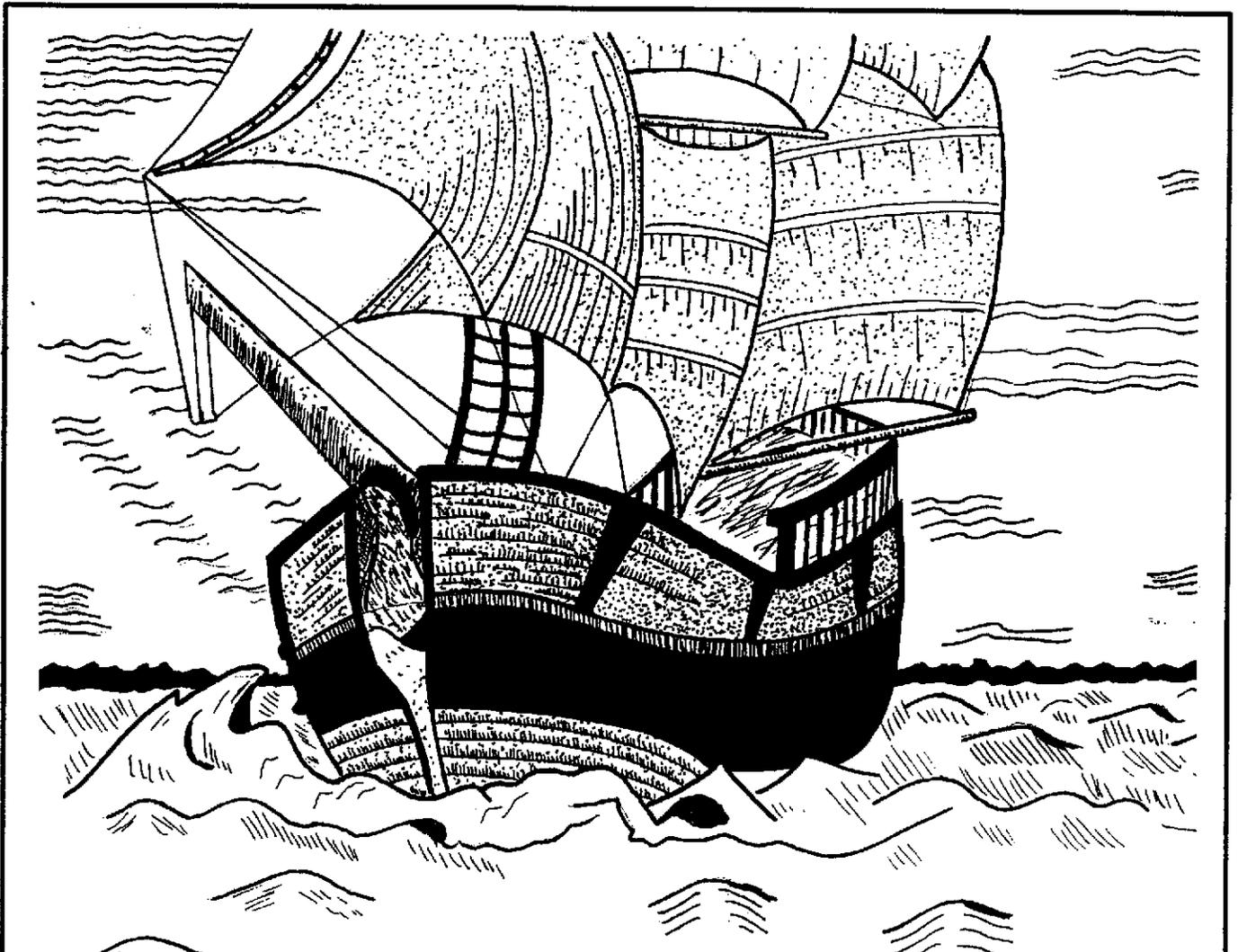


**1999  
 COMMEMORATIVE  
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 CALENDAR**

**By  
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*Celebrating 25 years as a  
 town and more than 100  
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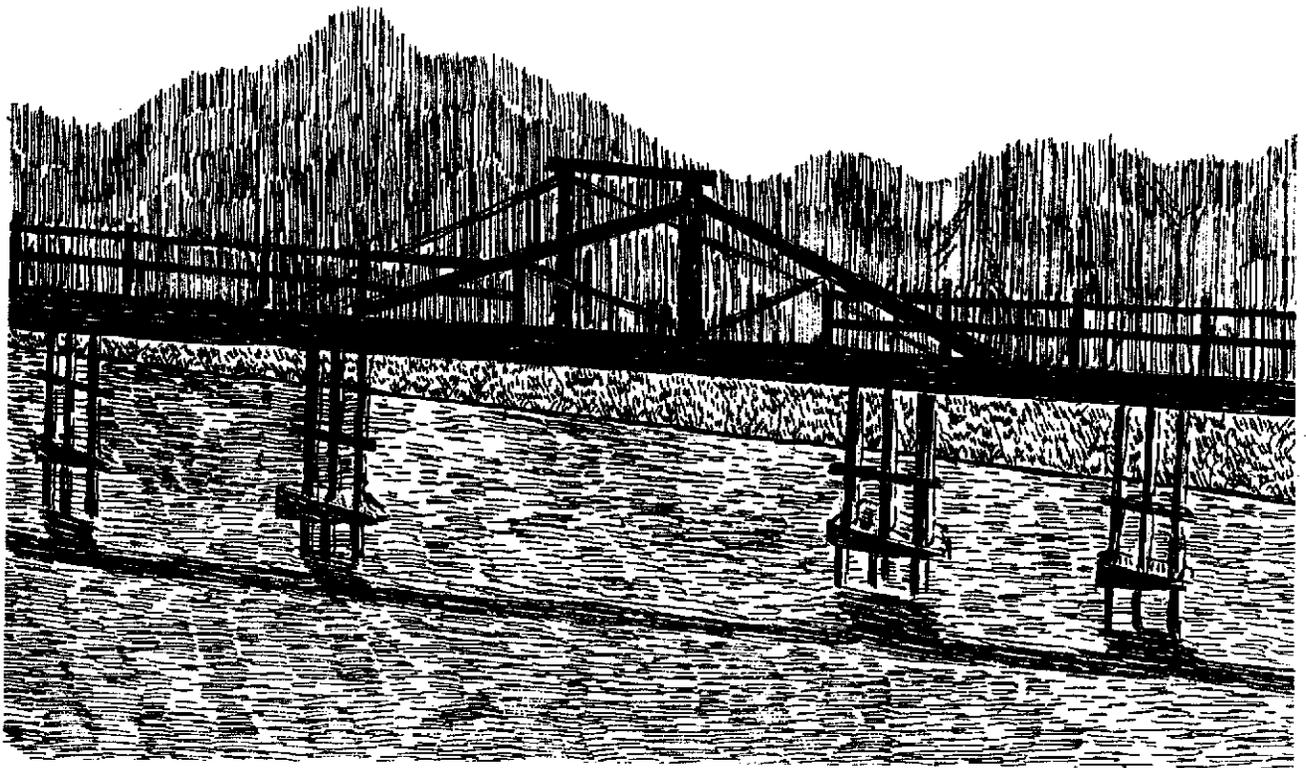
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*This British schooner, The Nancy, was sunk in the Nottawasaga River by American ships during the War of 1812.*

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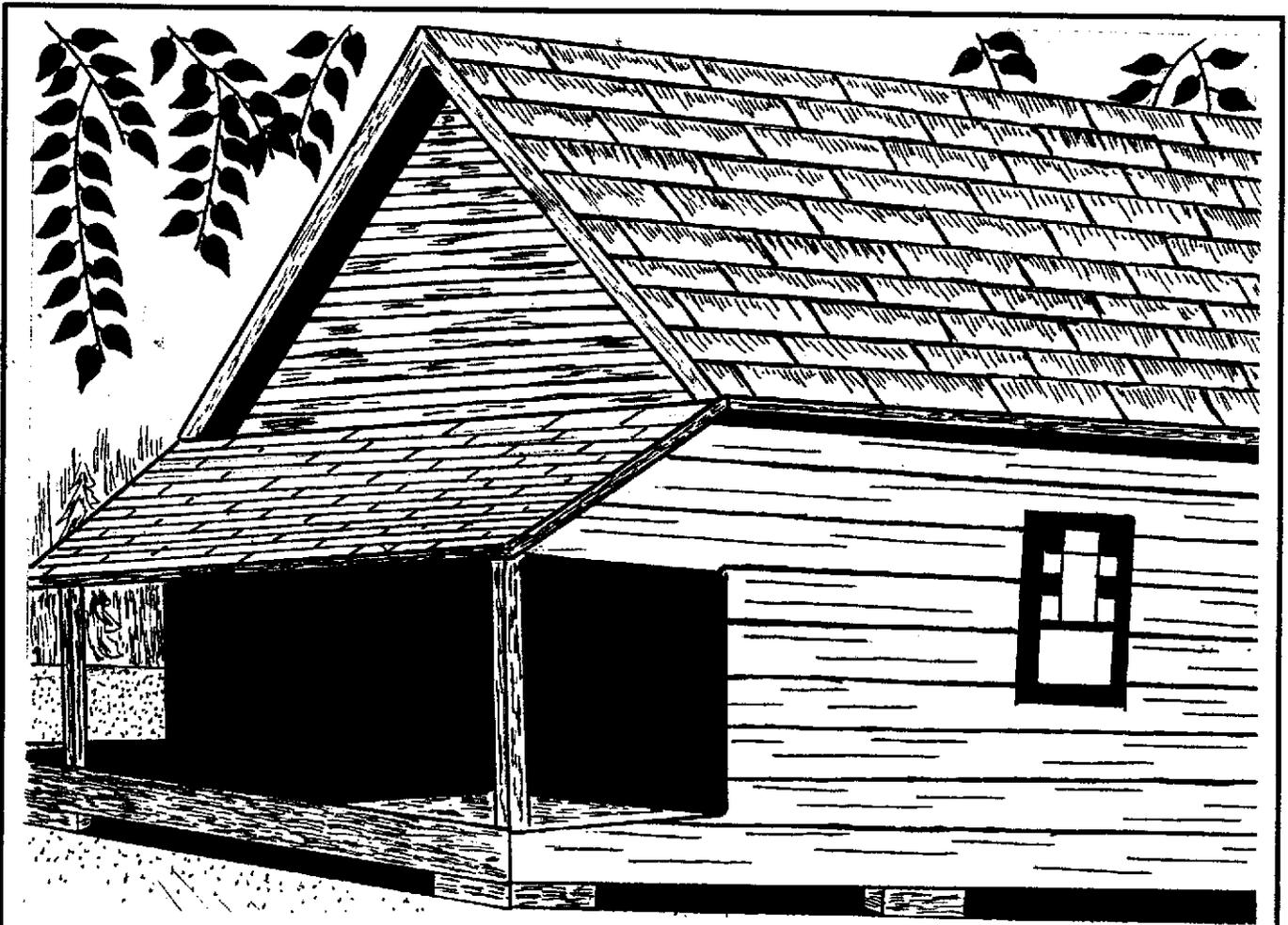
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The Van Vlack Bridge, built by John Van Vlack, Wasasa Beach's first settler. He built a sawmill at the mouth of the Nottawasaga River in 1870 and the village of Van Vlack sprang up around it.

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The Eberhardt Store, 1911. Charlie Eberhardt, a fisherman, opened this store and went on to provide a host of services to the summer visitors who were beginning to flock to Wasasa Beach.

## MARCH

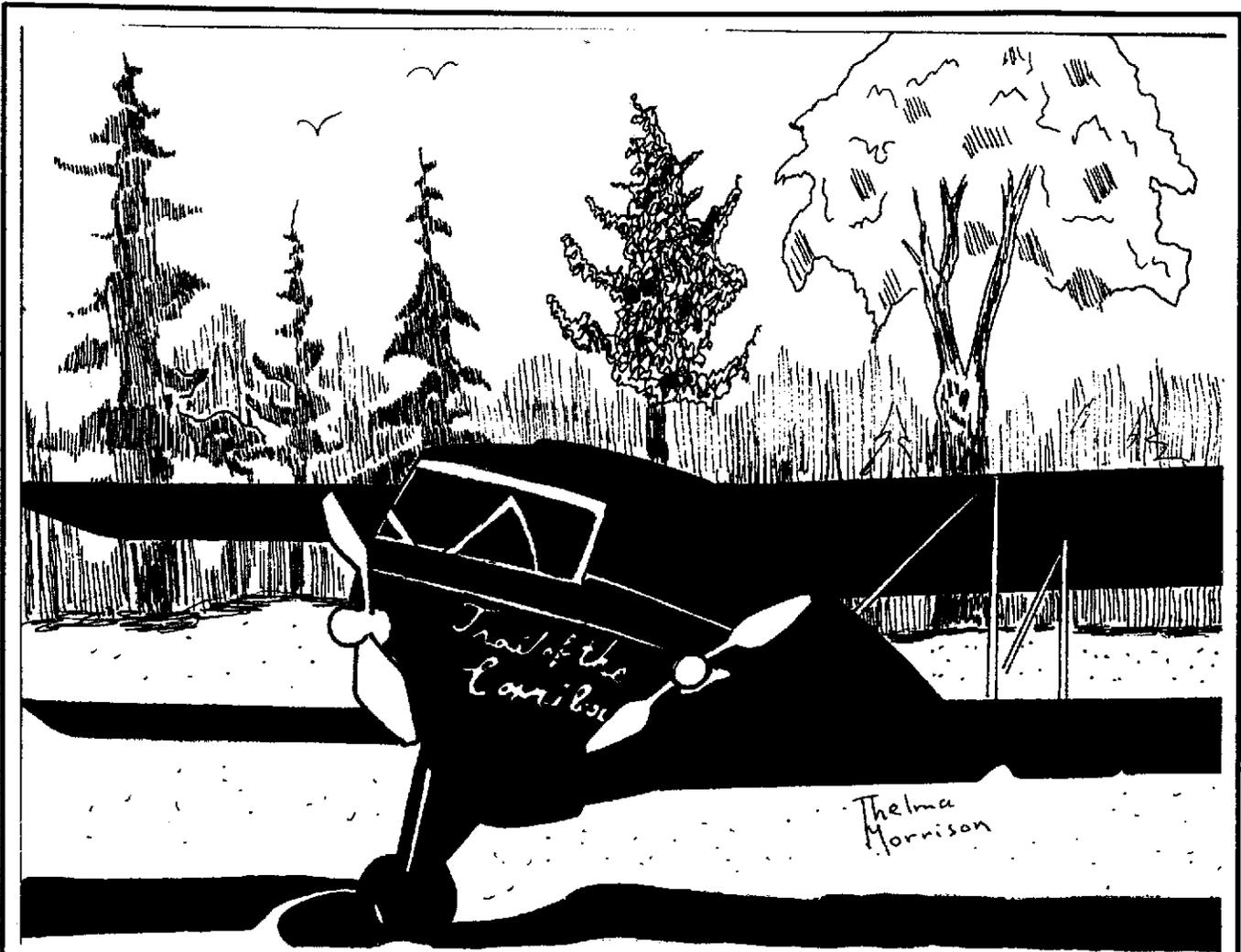
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The Capstan Inn, built by John McLean in 1915, ushered in the era of spacious summer hotels at Wasasa Beach. The Capstan was the first hotel to be built right on the beach.

## APRIL

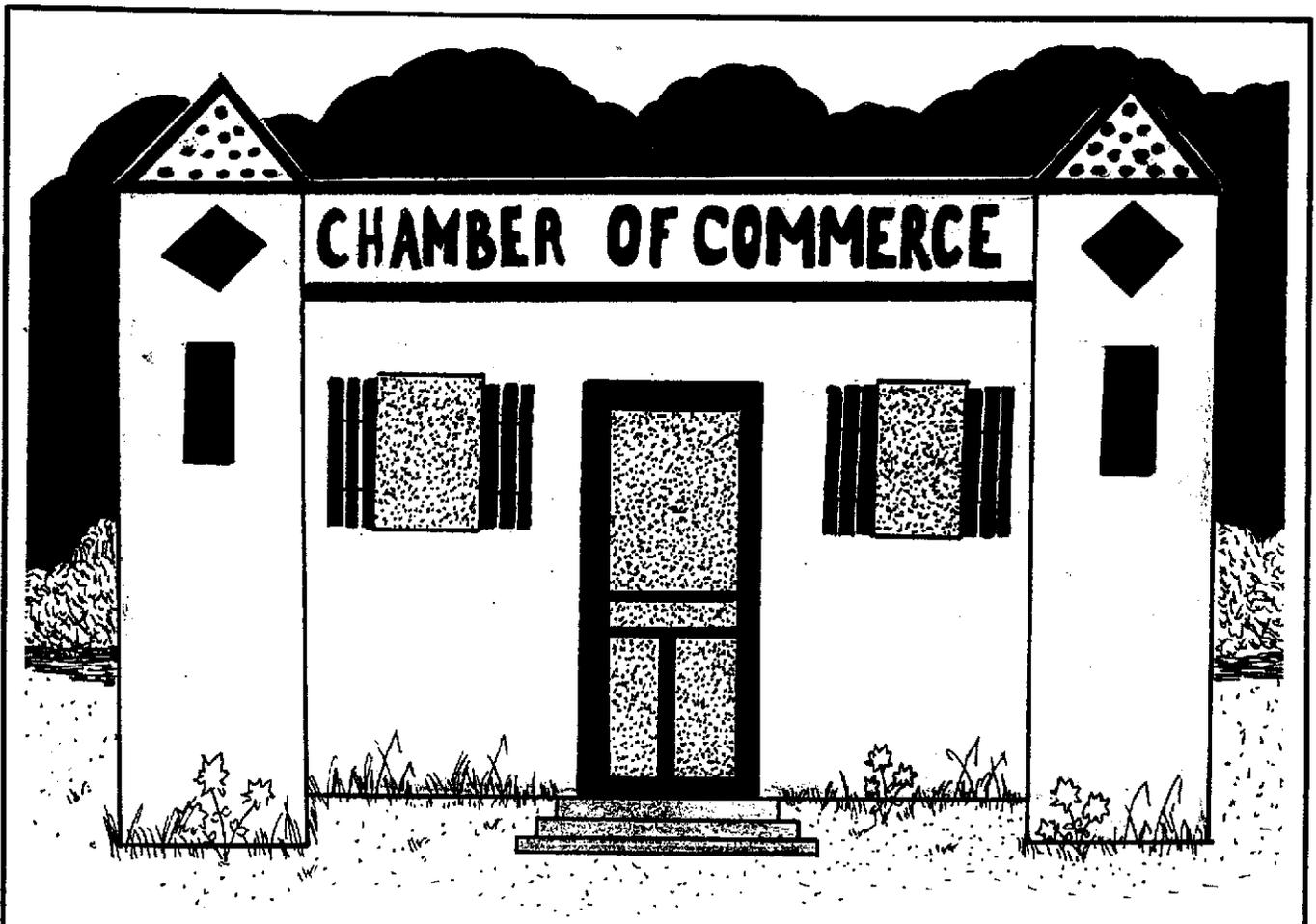
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On Aug. 8, 1934, the first overseas flight from Canada took off from Wasaga Beach.

## MAY

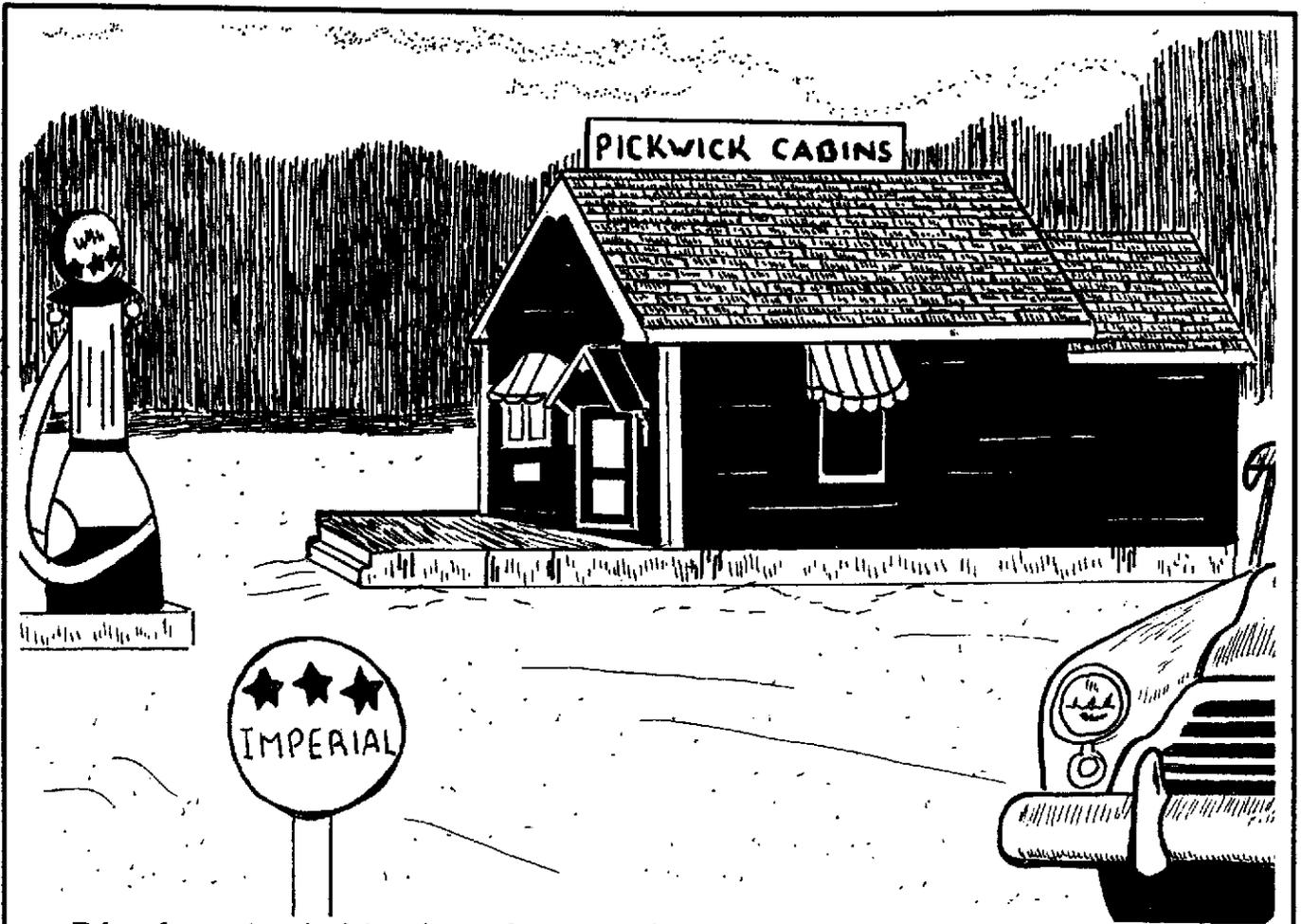
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The Wasasa Beach Chamber of Commerce was established in 1938.  
 This building was its first office, located right on the beach.

## JUNE

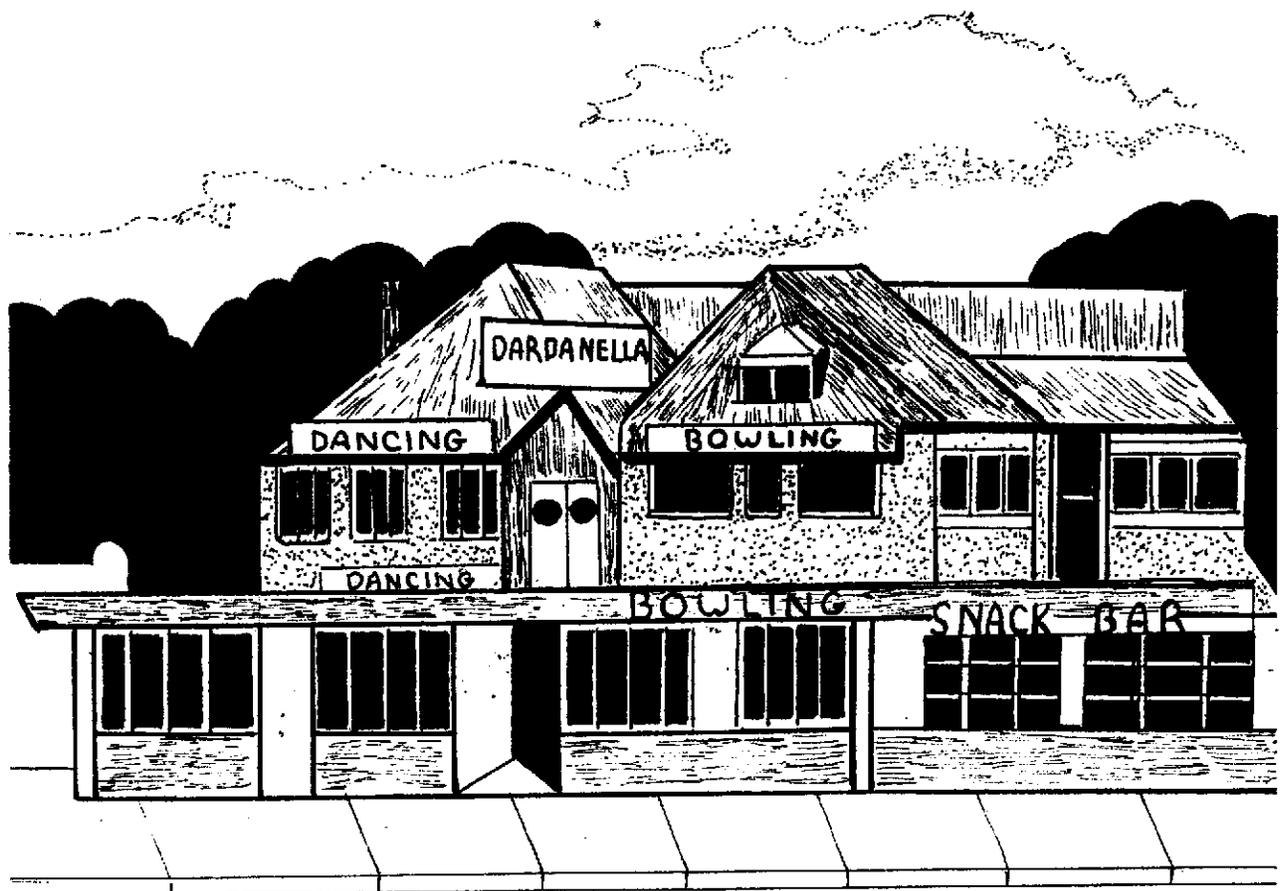
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The Second World War changed the nature of Wasasa Beach forever. Thousands of soldiers stationed at Camp Borden took their leave at Wasasa Beach and small, inexpensive cabins sprang up everywhere to accommodate them.

## JULY

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The Dardanella was the best known of Wasasa Beach's many dance halls. Located right on the beach, it exists to this day under the same name.

## AUGUST

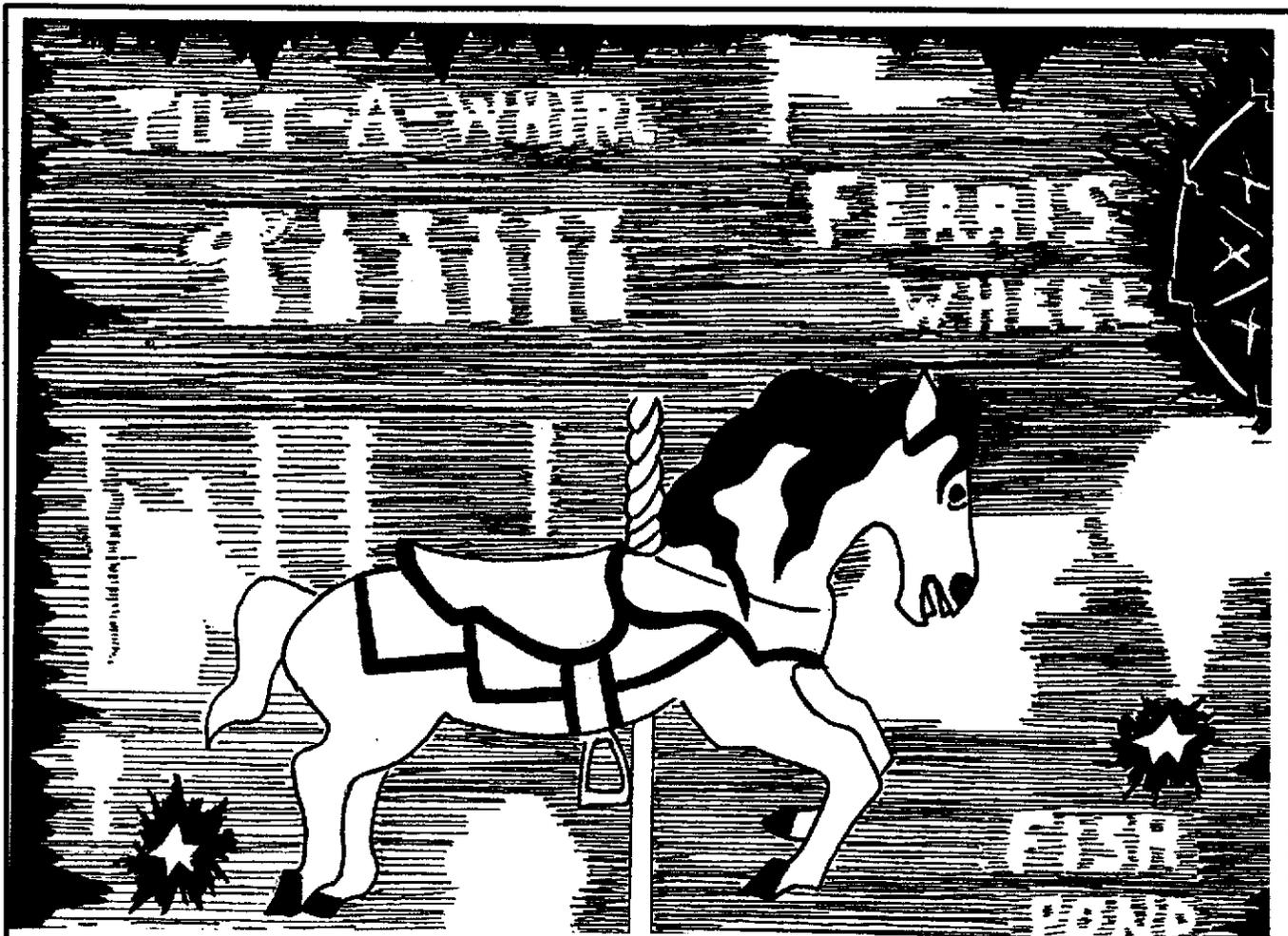
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Cars parked on the beach in front of a wide variety of summer stores was a common sight at Wasaga Beach for many decades.

## SEPTEMBER

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In the middle years of this century, Wasaga Beach was known for its many summer amusements. Chief among them was Playland Park, Wasaga's famous midway.

## OCTOBER

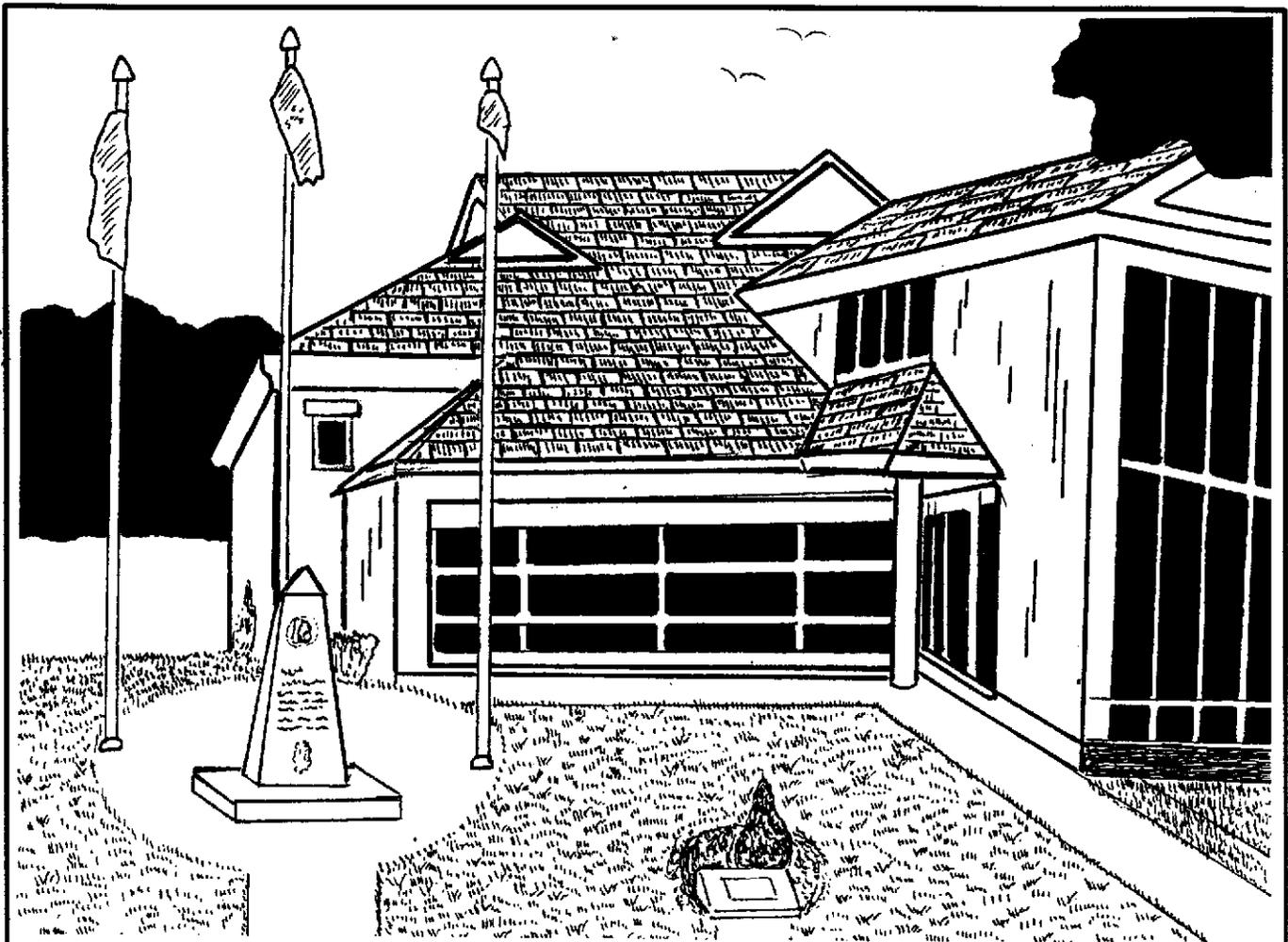
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*Wasasa Beach Provincial Park took the cars off the beach forever in 1974. Although a positive step in terms of environment, esthetics and safety, the move nevertheless signalled the end of an era.*

## NOVEMBER

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*On Jan. 1, 1974, Wasasa Beach officially became a town. Since then, has transformed itself into a vibrant, year-round community, while retaining its reputation as a premier summer tourist destination.*

## DECEMBER

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