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GREAT AMERICA®



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CAROUSEL PLAZA





What makes America great is people; the way they live, work, and play. It is in the spirit of this great land and people that Marriott's GREAT AMERICA® is founded.

A theme park to let you revel in the spirit of some of the most fascinating eras and unique American crafts and activities.

Your visit to Marriott's GREAT AMERICA® starts off in a great way with the "Columbia" in Carousel Plaza.

"The Columbia" the largest and grandest grand carousel of them all. It is two carousels tall and will give all our guests that old time feeling. Over one hundred brightly colored bounding horses beckon to the young at heart to take a ride . . . to take a turn once more to see this Great America through a child's eyes.

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This is the noblest and newest of the world's grand carousels, "The Columbia."

This massive multi-colored, ornate gazebo is the center attraction to guests entering Marriott's GREAT AMERICA.® The Columbia is more than just the world's finest, most expensive ($1.5 million), largest double-decked merry-go-round; it is a tribute to American craftsmanship, both past and present, and an impressive return to the days of elegance.

Each of the figures on the Columbia is a fiberglass replica of the world's rarest carousel horses and animals.

There are cavalry style horses, famous Parker horses and rare Dentzel horses with their manes flying in the wind. (Gustav A. Dentzel has been called "the father of American carousels") and his carousel figures are considered the finest ever made.

Perhaps the best known of these replica figures is the "silver anniversary horse." This armored horse won first prize for best exhibit at the Chicago amusement park convention in 1928.

Daniel Call Muller, who is regarded as the greatest of the carousel carvers of the late 19th and early 20th century, designed the chariots of the Columbia.

The carousel's pinnacle was once an ornate potbellied stove in the movie "Marie Antoinette" while caps to columns on the carousel came from an MGM film starring Grace Kelly, titled "The Swan."



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HOMETOWN SQUARE

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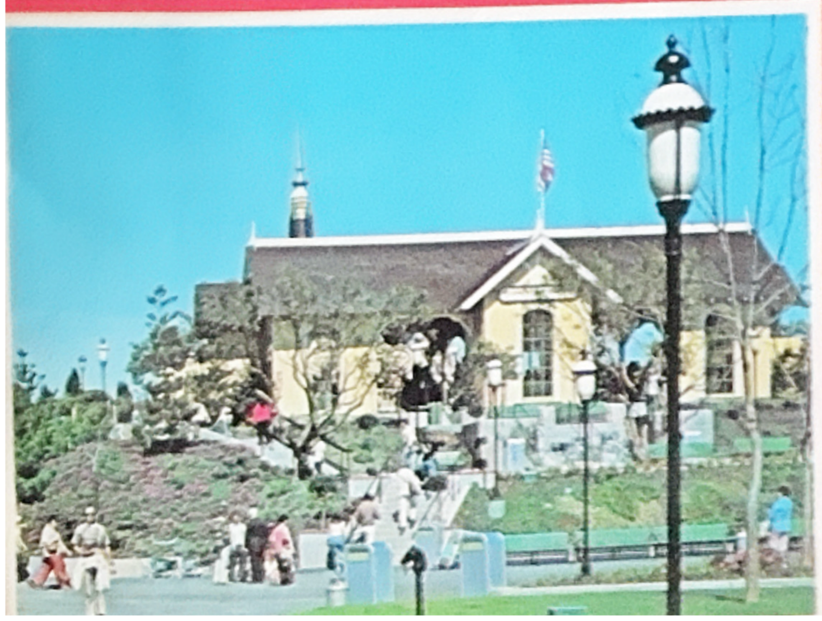


Hometown Square has all the sights and sounds of a typical American hometown in the 1920's. The clanging trolley cars, the huffing, puffing, and hissing of steam engines down at the station; the band stand brimming with music; all of this is Hometown Square, yet there is more.

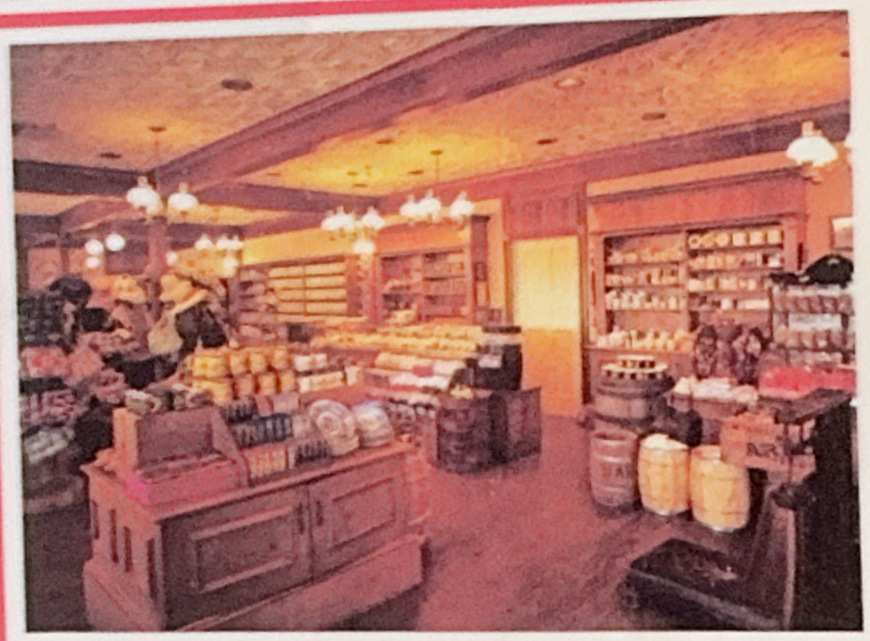
Jim Bouy's General Merchandise Store with just about anything your heart desires. Hard candy in the jar, rag dolls, and other country store treasures are awaiting your visit.

There is always something in the air that makes your mouth water. It might be the smell of fried chicken from Maggie Brown's Boarding House or the fresh baked cookies from Brown's Bakery.

The Grand Music Hall is... well, it's GRAND! A big stage musical spectacular that gets folks laughing, clapping, smiling, and singing. Across the square, singers harmonize old barbershop favorites in the square's lively firehouse ice cream parlor, Engine Co. No. 1.

And still there's more; more rides, more shows, more shops, and more mouth watering goodies. All part of the 1920's and Hometown Square.







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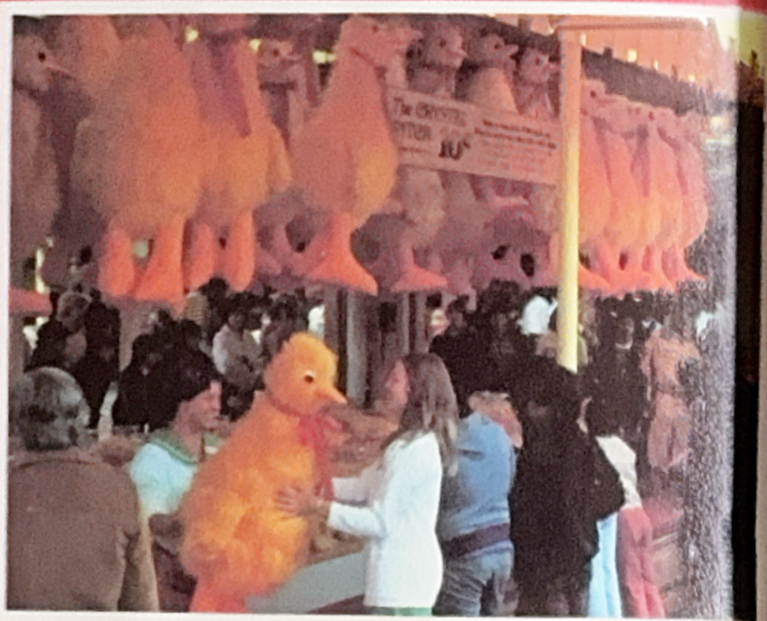





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Here's your chance to run away to the circus at the Great Midwest Livestock Exposition and County Fair.

It's the most eye-popping county fair ever. A clown filled, exciting place jammed with hold-onto-your-seat rides, fun games of skill, and a Star Spangled Circus that gets everybody into the act.

Start out on the Turn of the Century, but hold onto your hat! This is the world's largest corkscrew roller coaster . . . a real screamer that drops 95 feet and ends in two complete upside-down barrel rolls.

Across the fair grounds is the Sky Whirl, the world's first triple Ferris wheel. If that's still too frightening, ride one of the Barney Oldfield cars. They reach the breakneck speed of seven miles per hour.

And, don't miss the Games Gallery, Skeedaddle and Gallery Arcade—fun games of skill where everyone can win a prize. Close by, there are more rides like the Ameri-go-round, a real 1918 carousel.

A visit to the County Fair wouldn't be the same without a circus and Marriott's GREAT AMERICA® has a real 1900's style circus with high wire acts, jugglers, daring young folks on our flying trapeze, and clowns. So step right up and . . . hurry, hurry, hurry. . . .



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Rushing streams splash through Yukon Territory, the park's gold rush days wilderness outpost. Honky-tonk piano, hearty beef stew, lumberjacks, and an animated shooting gallery are just part of this lively return to the rough and tumble Klondike.

Yukon Territory's dense forests shelter the Wilderness Theater. In this outdoor theater, animals from land and sea perform for 1600 people; a chimp, a pair of dolphins and exotic birds are affection-trained right at Marriott's GREAT AMERICA.®

Leather workers, wood carvers, lumbermen, and printers work at their crafts, just as was done in the Yukon in the 1890's.

Rough and tumble rides are found in Yukon Territory too. There's the Yukon Yahoo, Saskatchewan Scrambler, and Loggers Run. Hop into one of the big log boats and rush through the mill's water filled troughs, then up a conveyor to the top of the mill. This wet ride ends in a 60 foot drop down a waterfall to the park's lagoon.



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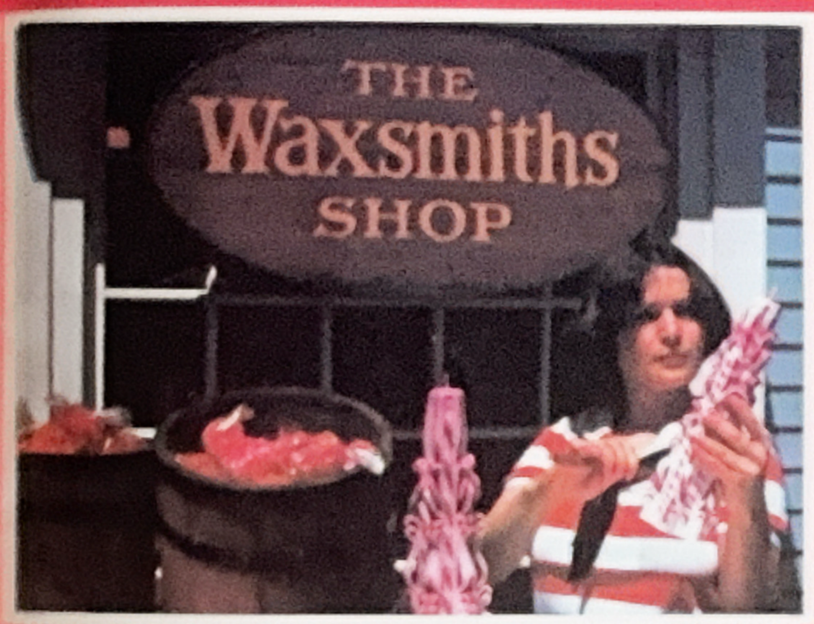



Step aboard Yankee Harbor and join in the salty spirit of an early 1900's New England fishing village. Barrels, overflowing with rare imported goods crowd the dockside Tradewinds Import Company. A potter peddles her wares. A glass blower turns and skillfully forms a thing of fragile beauty. And, the smells of the sea are in the air, especially Captain Morgan's sea food restaurant with its dockside tables where the long boats of the Yankee Clipper put on a show of their own with a splash down preview of your ride.

The longboats of the Yankee Clipper will take you back to those wondrous days of clipper ships and iron men. From high above the lighthouse and the view of the harbor your longboat will wind its way over the waves and down the 60 foot waterfall to the splashingly exciting end to a successful voyage . . . a little wiser . . . a little wetter.

The fife and drum echo through Yankee Harbor, as the park's own authentic American Revolution era drill team presents precision marching in detailed uniforms of the 13 original states.

Thar's the Lobster, too. A whirling, twirling ride that spins next to Yankee Harbor's peaceful park. Aye, there's lots to see and do in Yankee Harbor, so be sure to bring your sea legs.



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ORLEANS PLACE









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Magnolia blossoms, ornate wrought iron balustrades and gingerbread buildings make Orleans Place the most elegant of the park's six theme areas.

Journey back to the 1850's and Orleans Place. The old South . . . where clarinets and brass sing old dixieland tunes and a trolley rolls past stylish sidewalk restaurants. Windows glitter with crystal and jewels and twinkling lights sparkle overhead.

Orleans Place is the whirling action of the spinning Orleans Orbit ride and the crashing laughter of the Rue Le Dodge. Its winding streets are jammed with life. Your favorite cartoon pals stroll these streets, making friends with the park's guests.

Theatre Royale presents your favorite cartoon pals in a live stage production with that "wascally wabbit" *Bugs Bunny as your host.

"What's Up Doc" is the magical phrase that will take you on the most singingest, dancingest, musical fantasy, ever old Orleans has seen.

And, don't leave Marriott's GREAT AMERICA® before you have seen what Orleans Place is famous for—the merry Mardi Gras Parade with special floats, special music, and it is especially for you.

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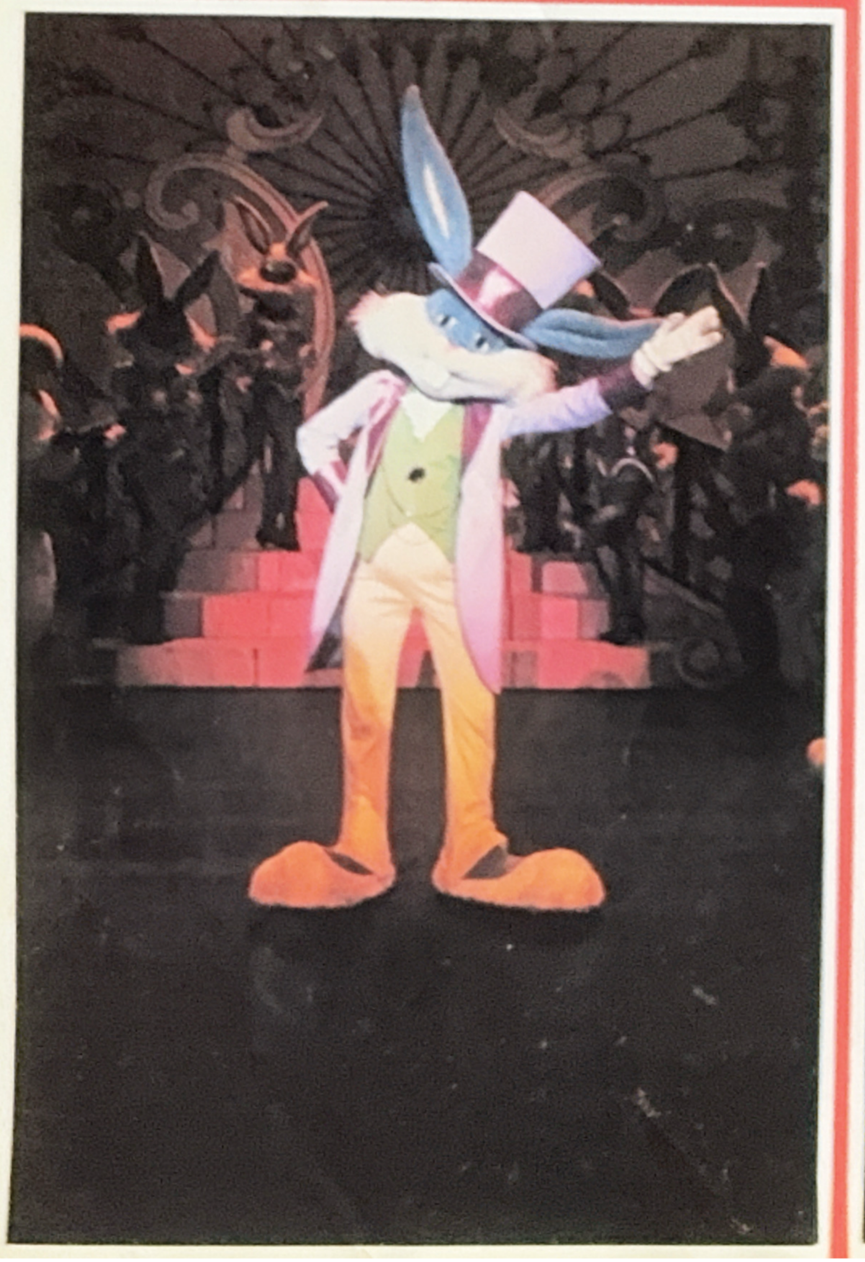

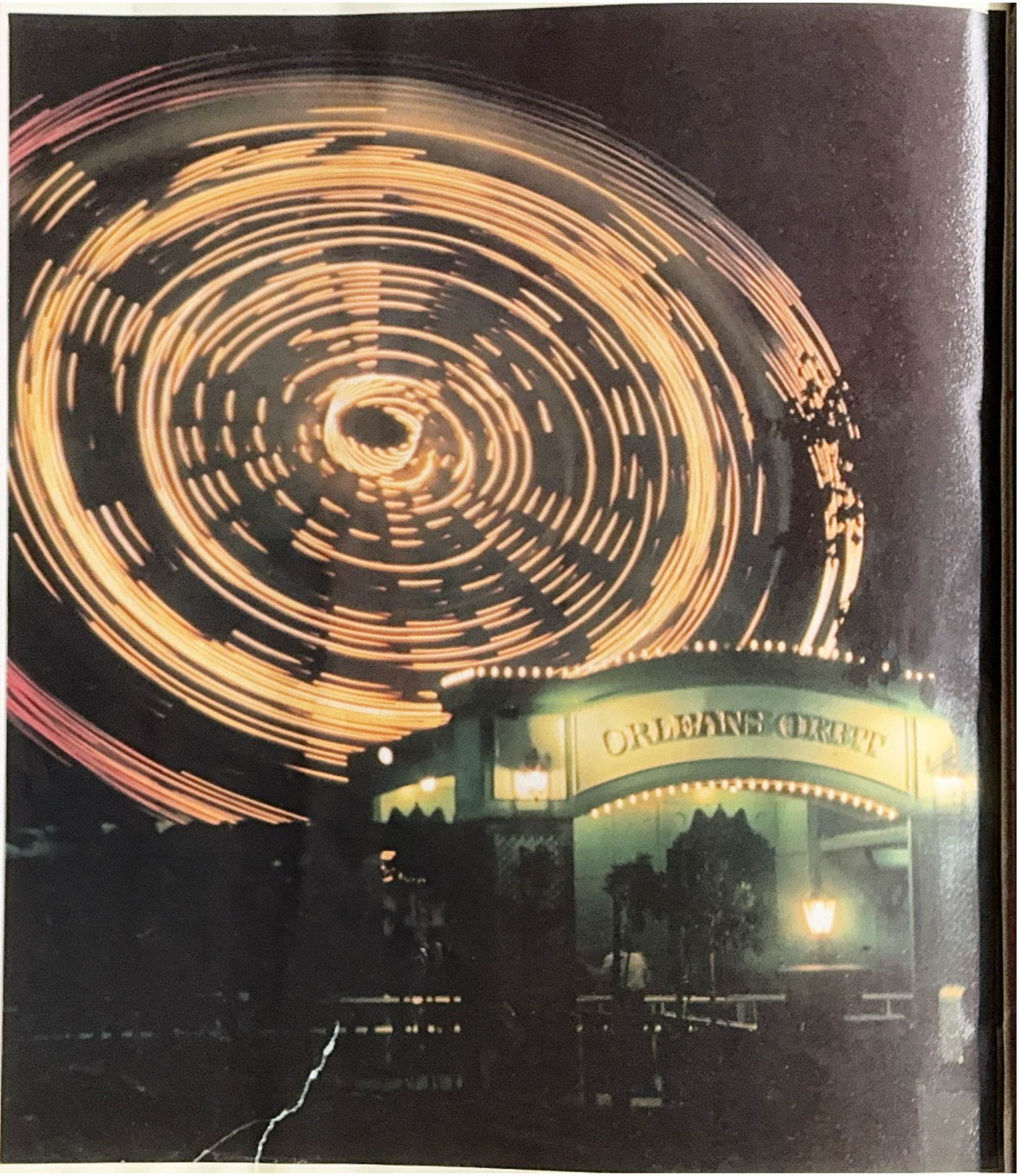

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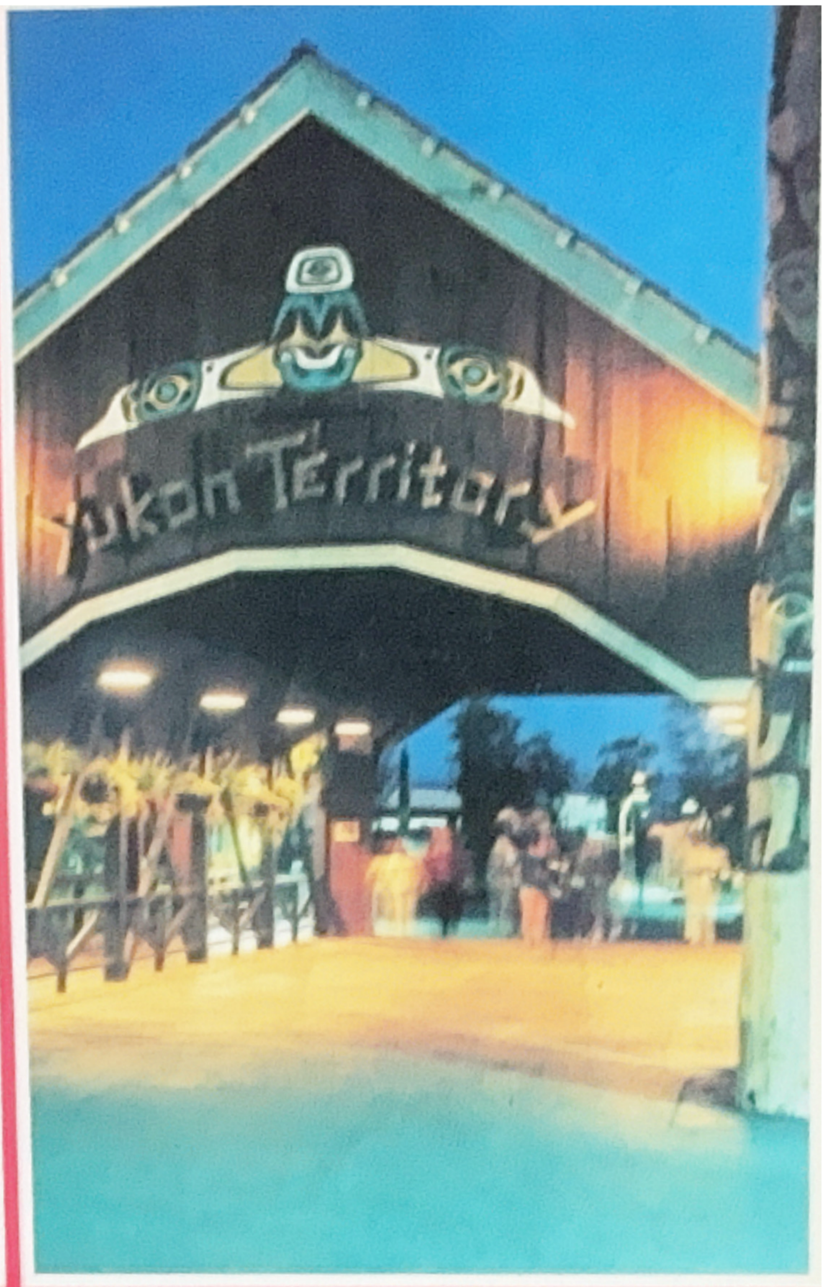

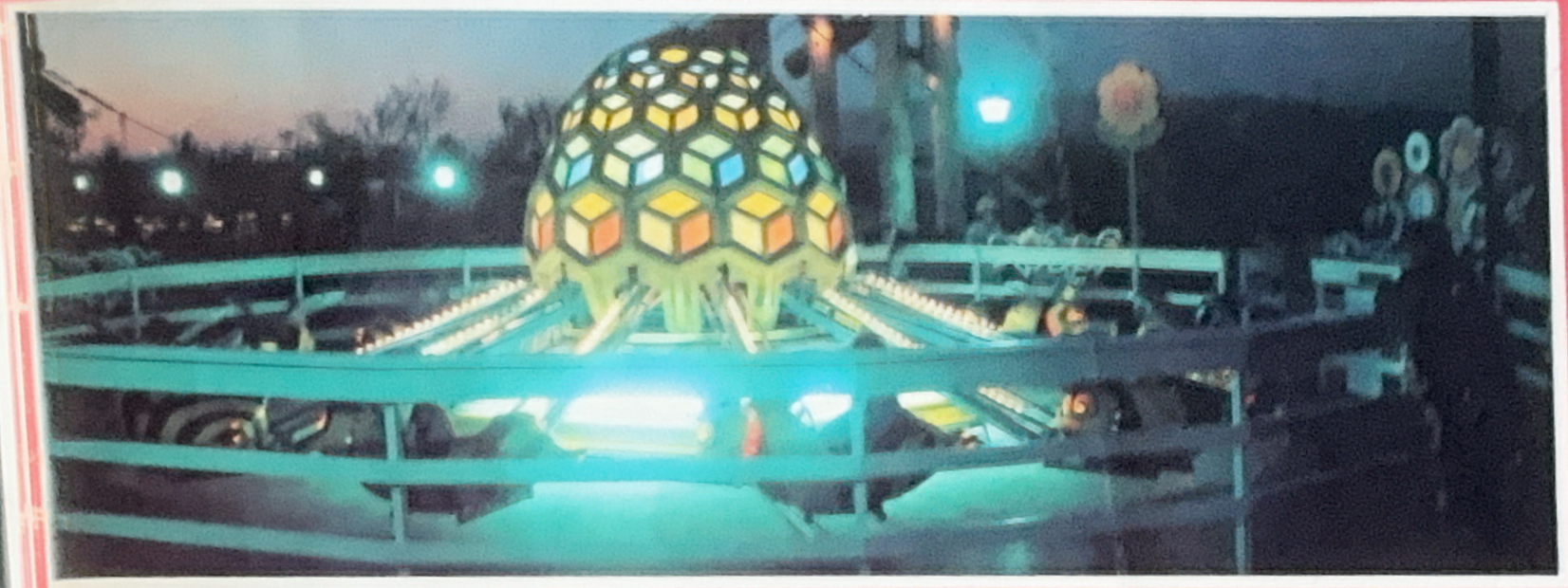





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