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Patton Cabin Collection

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Brief History

The Patton Cabin was built by John Patton in 1829, making it the oldest extant building in McLean County today. It was built near a Kickapoo Indian settlement by the Mackinaw River, about three miles southeast of Lexington. Kickapoo and Delaware Indians participated in building the cabin along with several "white settlers," making it the only surviving structure in central Illinois connected with the exchange between white settlers and American Indians. Patton erected a second structure in 1832, and it was later connected to the original. In 1904, the second structure was razed and the original moved 25 yards south, to be used as a pigsty. Still intact, the structure was dismantled in 1965 and the logs stored until 1969, when it was reassembled in Lexington. In the 1980's a restoration on the cabin brought it back to most of its original appearance.

Scope

This collection contains items pertaining mostly to the 1965 dismantling, 1969 reconstruction, and 1980's restoration and National Register of Historic Places nomination. This includes items from the McLean County Historical Society and its Patton Cabin Committee such as correspondence, donations, and financials. One folder pertains to the various contractors work and information on the structural aspects of the cabin. Items from Ruth Putman include correspondence and news articles about the cabin. A 1995 report on the state of the cabin is included.

Box and Folder Inventory

Folder 1: MCHS Committee

- 1.1 List of items from Patton Cabin to be stored at the MCHS, 26 May 1982.
- 1.2 "Recommendations for Patton Cabin" including committee guidelines and publicity/promotion ideas, 5pp.
- 1.3 Notes from Paton Cabin restoration meeting 23 Aug 1983, 2pp.
- 1.4 Letter for MCHS members who bought tickets to the MCHS tour on 12 Oct 1969.
- 1.5 Memo about busing prices for tour on 12 Oct 1969.
- 1.6 Letter to Members of MCHS about cost and contributions for rebuilding the cabin, Aug 11, 1969, attached rough draft and hand-written copy, total 5pp.
- 1.7 Vern C. Gray to Glenn W. Dodds concerning sending out a letter to MCHS members asking for cash contributions for the restoration of Patton Cabin, 9 July 1969.
- 1.8 Patton Cabin meeting minutes, 8 Aug 1969, 2pp.
- 1.9 Hand written notes on Patton Cabin Project containing names of people separated by committee.
- 1.10 Handwritten Patton Cabin meeting minutes, 11 June 1969, 2pp.
- 1.11 Patton Cabin meeting minutes, 24 Aug 1965.
- 1.12 Quarterly Meeting of Directors of MCHS minutes, 24 June 1965, 4pp.
- 1.13 Meeting of Board of Directors of MCHS minutes, 9 Aug 1963, 2pp.
- 1.14 Verda at Lexington, IL to Mr. Dodds outlining the schedule of events to take place at the Patton Cabin Ceremony, 2pp.

- 1.15 List of people from MCHS, Lexington Park District, and Lexington Chamber of Commerce separated into committees for the Patton Cabin Project, 2pp.
- 1.16 MCHS Newsletter with article about Patton Cabin, Vol 3, No 3, Sept 1965, 4pp.
- 1.17 Photocopy of "The Patton-Pierson Residence in 1832" from MCHS Biographies book pp 674-675, and drawing of the Patton Cabin, 2pp.
- 1.18 Annual business meeting for MCHS minutes concerning the moving Patton Cabin to land the Ruth Reynolds would lease so long as the cabin was restored and Morris Jones responding that they could not make the commitment, 25 April 1963, 2pp.
- 1.19 Letter to Mr. Bound from MCHS clarifying that there is and understanding between Ruth Reynolds and the MCHS that they considered further restoration of the cabin but they could not obligate themselves.
- 1.20 MCHS Newsletter contain information on Patton Cabin Dedication Ceremony, 10 Sept 1969, 2 copies, attached two drafts.
- 1.21 Memo from Curator Vern Gray to members of MCHS about annual meeting being held at Patton Cabin, 14 May 1971.
- 1.22 Handwritten undated meeting minutes about Patton Cabin.

Folder 2: Construction & Contractors

- 2.1 "Patton Cabin Physical Examination" by Greg Koos, 2pp.
- 2.2 Drawing of Proposed Alterations to Patton Cabin by M. Wyckoff, 1983.
- 2.3 Diagram of Patton Cabin Logs drawn by Glenn Dodds,
- 2.4 Greg Koos to Dallas Myers at Lexington, IL containing specifications for finishing the work on Patton Cabin, 8 June 1984 attached specifications for daubing, chimney restoration, and roof repair and handwritten notes on roof repair, total 4pp.
- 2.5 Photocopy of RAC Specialties labor and supply expenses for Patton Cabin Restoration, 1 Sept 1983.
- 2.6 "Hearthstone's Dual Solution TO Log Home Weatherproofing" pamphlet published by Hearth Stone of Dandridge, TN.
- 2.7 Photocopy of "The Use of Pentachlorophenol in the Home Environment" published by Mississippi Forest Products Utilization Laboratory written by Terry L. Ambury, 5 July 1983, 5pp.
- 2.8 Photocopy of "Six Reasons Why Mortar Chink Breaks Down" published by Perma-Chink Systems, Inc., 4pp.
- 2.9 Allen Conville of RAC Specialties, Inc at Mt. Vernon, IN to Greg containing sketches of Garrad Co., KY Log House, 4pp.
- 2.10 Photocopy of letter from Allen Conville of RAC Specialties at Mt. Vernon, IN to Doris Rediger at Lexington, IL concerning problems with the roof of the Cabin, 7 Dec 1984.
- From RAC Specialties at Mt. Vernon, IN to Greg Koos with the log analysis of each wall of Cabin, Fall 1983, 2pp.
- 2.12 Allen Conville of RAC Specialties, Inc at Mt. Vernon, IN to Greg Koos containing drawing and description of the bearer log upright and how it will fix the problems, 12 Sept 1984, 6pp.
- 2.13 Photocopy of "A Step Back In Time" about Hearthstone Log Homes, 2pp.
- 2.14 Handwritten note on conversation with Allen Conville, "A.C.", about saving half of the original Patton Cabin Logs, 19 Aug 1983.

- 2.15 Handwritten note on phone conversation with Allen Conville about masonry of Cabin, 3 Nov 1983, 2pp.
- 2.16 Handwritten Notes about Allen Conville, boiler plate, and National Park Service.
- 2.17 "Patton Cabin Estimates" from Allen Conville for Rehabilitation, Restoration, and Masonry, 19 Aug 1983, 2pp.
- 2.18 David Devore of Devore Masonry to Patton Cabin Restoration Committee saying he cannot make an estimate but willing to charge 12.00 per hour for labor and materials, 24 June 1984.
- 2.19 Morris Jones of Lexington, IL to Elias Rolley about finishing treatment on the logs for termites, prices for labor, and receipts for materials bought, 6 June 1968.
- 2.20 Proposal of work from Nolan Construction needed to be done to get cabin on National Register, 1 Sept 1982, 2pp.
- 2.21 Photocopy of correspondence between Mike Nolan at Lexington, IL to Greg Koos notes on volunteers and invoices for material and labor for services done Sept 3-7, 1984, 7pp.
- 2.22 Dallas Myers at Lexington, IL to Greg Koos concerning Nolan Construction bill and having a Patton Cabin Committee meeting, 9 Feb 1985.
- 2.23 Nolan Construction at Lexington, IL to Patton Cabin Restoration Committee concerning estimations on the chimney restoration and daubing, 1984.
- 2.24 Unsigned copy of General Contract between Nolan Construction and Patton Cabin Restoration Committee, 1984, 2pp.
- 2.25 Robert C. Jones Bid Proposal for restoration on Patton Cabin, 15 March 1985.
- 2.26 Robert C. Jones of Jones Construction at Lexington, IL to Patton Cabin Committee concerning final payments and prices of oiling of cabin, 17 Mar 1985, 3pp.
- 2.27 Robert C. Jones at Lexington, IL to Patton Cabin Committee concerning progress on cabin, labor and costs, and billing, 27 April 1985, 2pp.
- 2.28 Robert C. Jones at Lexington, IL to Patton Cabin Committee concerning application of oil to logs prior to daubing, 17 April 1985.
- 2.29 Robert C. Jones at Lexington, IL to Patton Cabin Committee concerning repair of fire damage to roof of cabin, 22 April 1985.
- 2.30 Robert C. Jones at Lexington, IL to Patton Cabin Committee concerning cost to repair fire damage of roof, 21 April 1985.
- 2.31 From Restoration Committee to Dave Devore, and Robert Jones concerning specifications of chimney restoration and daubing, the National Historical Site Register, and timeline for completion, 13 June 1984.

Folder 3: National Register Nomination

- 3.1 John Patton Log Cabin Nomination form, 21 July 1985, 13pp.
- 3.2 John Patton Log Cabin Nomination form, 3 Aug 1983, 8pp.
- 3.3 Photocopy of rejected Price Cabin Nomination form, 1 March 1976, 7pp.
- 3.4 Ann Swallow, Asst. National Register Coordinator at Springfield, IL to Greg Koos concerning presentation of Patton Cabin to the Illinois Historical Sites Advisory Council, 20 Aug 1985.
- 3.5 Agenda for Illinois Historical Sites Advisory Council 65th meeting at SIU in Carbondale, IL on 20 Sept 1985.
- 3.6 Rules for presentations for the National Register considered by the Illinois Historical Sites Advisory Council.

- 3.7 List of slides for presentation to Illinois Historical Sites Advisory Council, Aug 1985.
- 3.8 Melvin Davis of Farnsworth & Wylie at Bloomington, IL to Elmo Franklin at Bloomington, IL concerning legal description of the site boundaries where Patton Cabin is located, 1 Aug 1983.
- 3.9 Photocopy of John Patton Log Cabin National Register evaluation/return sheet with concerns over the integrity of the cabin, 17 Oct 1985, 4pp.
- 3.10 "Historical Significance" of Patton Cabin, typed version of section 8 of Nomination form, 3pp.
- 3.11 Handwritten notes containing information used in the 1985 Nomination form including description and significance of Patton Cabin, 7pp.

Folder 4: MCHS Donations/ Financials

- 4.1 Photocopy of letter from Doris Rediger to the Pantagraph Foundation concerning work done so far on the cabin and monetary assistance for the restoration, 14 April 1969.
- 4.2 E.D. Funk of Funk Bros. Seed Co. at Bloomington, IL to Doris Rediger concerning Funk Cabin logs and support of matching funds up to \$2500, 15 April 1969.
- 4.3 Photocopy of check from Elias Rolley to Patton Cabin Restoration Fund for \$3500. 14 Oct 1969.
- 4.4 MCHS Treasurers report for year ended 30 April 1969, 2pp.
- 4.5 List of donations for Patton Cabin Aug-Oct 1969, 7pp.
- 4.6 MCHS Lexington membership list of those paid to Oct 1983 and those past due, 2pp.
- 4.7 MCHS Treasurers report for year ended 30 April 1968, 2pp.
- 4.8 MCHS Treasurers report on 25 April 1971.
- 4.9 Loring Merwin of The Pantagraph Foundation to Doris Rediger about giving a \$1000 grant to the Lexington Park District for restoration of the cabin, 29 May 1969.
- 4.10 E.D. Funk of Funk Bros. Seed Co. pledging \$2500 in matching funds for the cabin restoration, 15 April 1969.

Folder 5: MCHS Correspondence

- 5.1 Larry Kimmerling, President of Lexington Park District, to Barbara Dunbar President of MCHS concerning the meeting about MCHS taking over the responsibilities of maintaining the Cabin, 15 Nov 1982
- 5.2 Keith Sculle National Register Coordinator at Springfield, IL to Greg Koos concerning where to find information on epoxy and names of craftsmen to check with about the cabin restoration, 11 March 1983, 2pp.
- 5.3 Greg Koos to Dallas Myers at Lexington, IL concerning the estimation on Patton Cabin restoration, raising the chimney, and a meeting with Mr. Devore and Mr. Conville, 8 Nov 1983.
- 5.4 Greg Koos to Robert Sherman at Springfield, IL asking if Robert's company wants to bid on the restoration of Patton Cabin, 10 May 1983.
- 5.5 Greg Koos to Elmo Franklin at Bloomington, IL concerning Allen Conville, schedule of work on the cabin, costs, masonry, and material, attached carbon copy and copies of photos of other cabins, 15 July 1983, total 4pp.
- 5.6 Elmo Franklin at Bloomington, IL to Allen Conville at Mt. Vernon, IN about volunteers for restoration of the cabin and his arrival in Lexington, 27 July 1983.

- 5.7 To George concerning the placement of the cabin in the Lexington Park District, 27 July 1983.
- 5.8 Greg Koos to Allen Conville asking if Allen's Company wants to bid on the restoration of Patton Cabin, 10 May 1983.
- 5.9 Greg Koos to Allen Conville concerning a 1903 sketch of the cabin, 2 June 1983.
- 5.10 Allen Conville to Greg Koos concerning wanting to take a trip to the cabin and a list of references, 24 May 1983.
- 5.11 Greg Koos to Allen Conville enclosing cost estimates for Patton Cabin, 22 Aug 1983, 3pp,
- 5.12 Keith Sculle to Greg Koos concerning the addition of John Patton Log Cabin being added to the National Register of Historic Places, 2 Sept 1986.
- 5.13 Pat Gibbs of Illinois State Historical Society at Springfield, IL to Greg Koos concerning the Historical Markers application and statement of policy, 31 July 1986, 3pp.
- 5.14 Pat Gibbs to Patton Cabin Restoration Committee concerning the rejection of the cabin by the Historical Markers Committee, 7 July 1986.
- 5.15 Ann Swallow of Illinois Historic Preservation Agency concerning evaluation/return sheet for the cabin by the National Park Service, 28 Jan 1986.
- 5.16 Greg Koos to Mike concerning specs and estimates of the Patton Cabin and verbal contract with Allen Conville, 10 Oct 1985.
- 5.17 Larry Kimmerling, President of Lexington Park District to Barbara Dunbar concerning conversation with Elmo Franklin about MCHS helping fund the restoration of the cabin and the establishment of a local committee in conjunction with MCHS, 16 Jan 1983.
- 5.18 Barbara Dunbar to Larry Kimmerling concerning taking January 16th requests up with the Board of Directors and her support for the cabin restoration, 28 Jan 1983.
- 5.19 Greg Koos to Keith Sculle concerning slides for the presentation on Patton Cabin to the Illinois Historical Site Advisory Council, 4 Oct 1984.
- 5.20 Bryant Jackson, ISU Librarian to Greg Koos concerning titles that could not be found in the ISU collection, 2 Aug 1983.
- 5.21 Jo Ann of ISU to Barbara concerning and internship for Mike Bullington and working with the MCHS on the Patton Cabin restoration in some way, 4 November 1982.
- 5.22 Greg Koos to Keith Sculle outlining the general history of the Patton Cabin and changes to the structure after the 1969 reconstruction, 27 May 1982, 2pp.
- 5.23 Keith Sculle to Greg Koos concerning things that could make the cabin qualify for the National Register, 28 May 1982, 2pp.
- 5.24 Doris Rediger to members of MCHS concerning the deterioration of the Patton Cabin as told from the cabins point of view, 14 July 1980.
- 5.25 Elmo Franklin to Paul Kahle, President of Lexington Jaycees, asking if they would take on making the necessary repairs for the cabin, 22 July 1980.
- 5.26 Barbara Dunbar to Doris Rediger thanking her for her help on the Patton Cabin project, 24 July 1980.
- 5.27 Donald Armstrong at Cooksville, IL to Vernon Gray at Bloomington, IL about how he helped with the 1965 dismantling of the cabin and would like to help in the restoration by providing items from around 1829, 26 May 1969, 2pp.
- Vern Gray to Donald Armstrong thanking him for his desire to help and providing information on the progression of the cabin project, 6 June 1969.

- 5.29 J. George Stewart at Washington, D.C. to Congressmen Arends at Washington, D.C confirming that the flag to be used at Patton Cabin has been flown over the United States Capital, 28 Aug 1969.
- 5.30 Douglass Laudeman to MCHS Board of Directors concerning the committees appointed for work on Patton Cabin, 28 May 1968.
- 5.31 Glenn Dodds to Ruth Reynolds at Lexington, IL confirming agreement that the Patton Cabin would be torn down and the logs become property of MCHS, 17 Aug 1965.
- 5.32 E. D. Funk Jr. to Members of MCHS concerning MCHS financials and meeting details, 7 June 1963, 2pp.
- 5.33 E.D. Funk Jr. to Ruth Reynolds concerning a letter that was sent to Anna, Penn. To be picked up by her when she is at the Lexington Motel, 28 Aug 1963.
- 5.34 E.D. Funk Jr. to Morris Jones enclosing letter he wrote to write to Richard Hagen to help with Patton Cabin, 4 Nov 1963.
- 5.35 Richard Hagen of IL Dept. of Conservation to E.D. Funk Jr. concerning how he cannot help out with the cabin project, 29 Oct 1963.
- 5.36 E.D. Funk to Ruth Reynolds about the response from Richard Hagen that they are unable to help right now, 4 Nov 1963.
- 5.37 E.D. Funk Jr. to Dwight Bracker, MCHS Curator, enclosing letter to Ruth Reynolds and Morris Jones about Richard Hagen, 4 Nov 1963.
- 5.38 Helen Patton at Lexington, IL to Glenn Dodds concerning publicity and events in Lexington, 26 Aug 1956.

Folder 6: MCHS Misc.

- 6.1 "Patton cabin oldest building in McLean County" by Bill Kemp, Librarian of MCHM, *Pantagraph*, 10 June 2007, pp B6.
- 6.2 Meeting minutes for Jaycee Hall in Lexington about how the Lexington Park District accepted the Patton Cabin, 14 Oct 1969.
- 6.3 WJBC Editorial on John Patton Cabin, 9 Oct 1969.
- 6.4 4 Notecards for presentation to National Park Service.
- 6.5 Handwritten note regarding "Addenda Sec. 7"
- 6.6 Handwritten notes on different things needed to be done to the cabin.
- 6.7 Handwritten note with names relating to Patton Cabin Project, 6 Nov 1982.
- 6.8 Handwritten note about Tom Vance, cabin logs, donated labor, and Allen Conville.
- 6.9 Agreement between The Bank of Illinois granting land to the Lexington Park District, 28 Dec 1972.
- 6.10 Handwritten notes on a phone conversation with Elmo Franklin about Patton Cabin, 2pp.
- 6.11 Handwritten notes about Ruth Putman, Ruth Reynolds, and Patton Cabin, 26 May 1982.
- 6.12 Handwritten note "III Entry Pad" about a wooden deck being installed on east entrance.
- 6.13 "John Patton Log Cabin" brief history from the cabin restoration sponsors.
- 6.14 Photocopy of pictures and descriptions of several log cabin's around America.

Folder 7: Ruth Putman Correspondence

- 7.1 Postcard from Helen at Lexington, IL giving Mr. Drury's address, 7 May 1963.
- 7.2 John Drury at Chesterton, IL concerning come books on McLean County history, information on farmsteads in Lexington Township, and comments about Patton Cabin, 5 Feb 1965.

- 7.3 John Drury at Chesterton, IL concerning invitation to the dismantling of the cabin, 23 Sept 1965.
- 7.4 Helen Patton at Lexington, Il concerning her discussion with Ruth Reynolds about restoring the Patton Cabin, 23 March 1962.
- 7.5 Helen Patton at Lexington, IL about presenting the cabin to the "society", 6 Nov 1962.
- 7.6 Helen Patton at Lexington, IL about Ruth Reynolds being in Lexington if wanting to hold a meeting and information on a cabin in Nebraska, 4 Oct 1962.
- 7.7 Helen Patton at Lexington, IL concerning report on pledges and donations for the cabin, 21 Jan 1965.
- 7.8 Isadore I. Leiken at Minonk, IL concerning a "bequest" to the Trustees of Patton Cabin for \$500, 27 Aug 1975.
- 7.9 Glenn Dodds at MCHS sending copy of his letter to Rut Reynolds, 17 Aug 1965.
- 7.10 Doris Leonard of Illinois State Historical Society concerning some prospective members and not to give up on the cabin project, 2 Oct 1962.
- 7.11 Helen Patton at Lexington, IL concerning a Patton Cabin Committee being formed, and interest from the *Pantagraph*, 25 Sept 1961.
- 7.12 From Ruth Putman to The Putman Bookshop copy of the 1983 National Register for Patton Cabin 6pp.
- 7.13 Ruth Putman to Clyde Walton at Springfield, IL seeking information to verify some history and age of Patton Cabin, 8 Sept 1965, 2pp
- 7.14 Ruth Reynolds at Quinnville, PA to Myran Boyd at Cropsey, IL concerning leasing park land to MCHS and giving them Patton Cabin, 13 Aug 1962.
- 7.15 Walter Fillman at Altoona, PA to Ronald Bounds at Chenoa, IL concerning his inability to attend a reunion, 19 July 1973.
- 7.16 Zola Chef at Leaenworth, KS to Gloria Bounds at Chenoa, IL concerning the Messer Family Reunion.
- 7.17 John Drury at Chesterton, IN to Glenn Dodds at Bloomington, IL apologizing for his inability to attend a tea at David Davis Mansion, 5 Nov 1965.
- 7.18 Karen Crave to Darrell Messer at Osseo, MN wanting information for a family history she is working on, 13 July 1970.
- 7.19 Letter concerning the invitation of all students in McLean County to join in contributing to the restoration of Patton Cabin, Oct 1969, 3pp total,
- 7.20 Harriet Rust, President of MCHS to members concerning short-term goals and an annual report.

Folder 8: Ruth Putman News Articles

8.1 Various news articles saved by Ruth Putman regarding Patton Cabin, the 1965 dismantling ceremony, 1969 reconstruction, most from the *Pantagraph*, ranging from 1965-86.

Folder 9: Ruth Putman Patton Cabin

- 9.1 "The Patton Cabin Restoration" list of committee's and members' names and addresses, 4pp.
- 9.2 Patton Cabin Restoration formal ceremonies program, 12 Oct 1969, 3 copies.
- 9.3 "So The Story Goes" giving history of John Patton Cabin from the Lexington Genealogical and Historical Society, 3 copies.

- 9.4 "Dismantling of the Patton Cabin" event program, 18 Sept 1965
- 9.5 Photocopy of picture of "The Patton-Pierson House...supposed to be the oldest home in the county still standing".
- 9.6 Picture of drawing of the "The Patton-Pierson House" by Milo Custer, 1924.
- 9.7 Handwritten idea for flyer by Ruth Putman, (early thoughts about restoring the cabin)
- 9.8 "A Famous Old House" written by A.V. Pierson regarding history of Patton Cabin and John Patton, 15 Dec 1904, 5pp. 1 photocopy, 1 original.
- 9.9 Photocopy of hand written notes by Ruth Putman about "A Famous Old House, National Registry, and letter needing to be mailed.
- 9.10 Handout from Ruth Putman and the Patton Cabin Committee concerning the plan to restore the cabin and making a pledge. 2 copies.
- 9.11 Handwritten note about starting a restoration committee and the Patton reunion in 1962.
- 9.12 Brief history of Patton Cabin, has written on it "Patton Cabin (near Lexington, IL).
- 9.13 Invitation to the Dedication ceremony for Patton Cabin, 12 Oct 1969, copies.

Folder 10: Ruth Putman Miscellaneous

- 10.1 "Mutilated beyond Recognition" produced by Putman Bookshop about the tearing down of Bloomington buildings having a negative affect on the town, 2 copies.
- 10.2 A letter the editor of *The Daily Pantagraph* concerning the noise and chaos that cars have brought to Bloomington, IL, 4 May 1959.
- 10.3 Handwritten list by Ruth Putman of the oldent houses in Illinois, 3 different copies
- Handwritten notes about the Messer Family, Patton Family, and Patton Cabin, 4pp.
- 10.5 Photocopy of map sketch of a part of McLean County.
- 10.6 Handwritten notes by Ruth Putman about "Story of McLean County & it's Schools" about some of the earliest schools in the county, the Patton family finding the spot where they built the cabin, a Messer family tree, 5pp.

Folder 11: ARC Report 1995

- 11.1 Ernst A. Nemeth of Architectural Restoration Consultants at Lincoln, IL to Greg Koos enclosing copy of Preservation/Restoration Report for Patton Cabin, 2 May 1995.
- Preservation/Restoration Report for Patton Cabin evaluating condition of the cabin and recommendations to keep the cabin from further deterioration, April 1995, 11 pp.
- Dallas Myers and Doris Friedman to Ernst Nemeth terminating his services with Patton Cabin Restoration Committee, 30 Oct 1995.
- 11.4 Ernst Nemeth to Doris Freidman wanting an explanation for the termination of his services, recommending they contact the MCHS and Illinois Historic Preservation Agency before further restoration, 1 Nov 1995.