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Rivers & Creeks & Lakes, OH MY!



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STREAMS OF KENTUCKY

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1963

FLOODS

Usually occurring in the spring and summer, floods can have a devastating effect on Kentuckians.



FRANFORT, 1978



HERRINGTON LAKE, undated

The deepest lake in Kentucky at 249 feet, Herrington Lake was formed in 1925 with the installation of the Dix Dam.



HELL-FOR-CERTAIN CREEK, LESLIE COUNTY, 1939

A necessity for any holler, creeks form a core part of life in Eastern Kentucky.

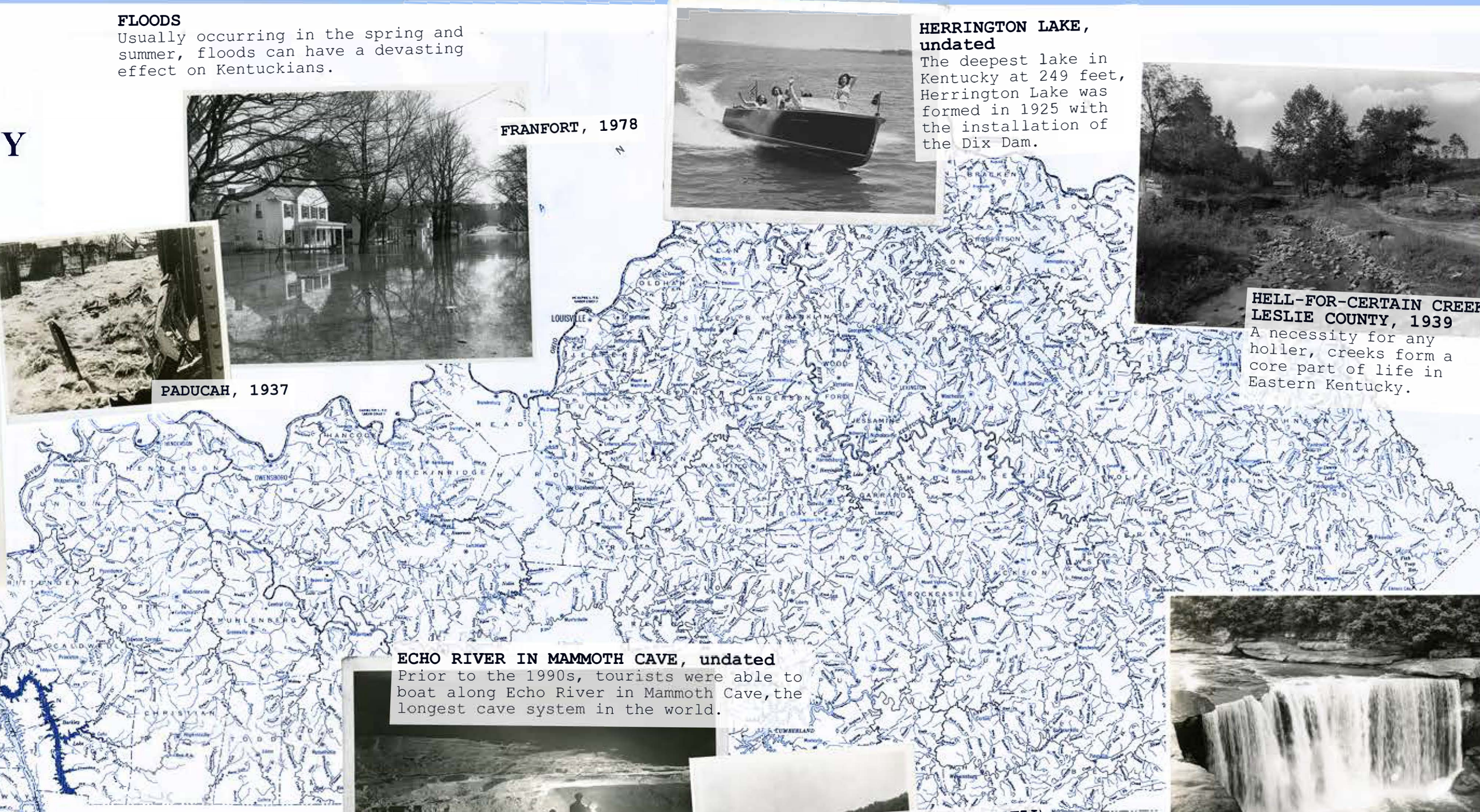


PADUCAH, 1917

Three people walking on the frozen Ohio River.
- Courtesy of McCracken County Public Library



PADUCAH, 1937



ECHO RIVER IN MAMMOTH CAVE, undated

Prior to the 1990s, tourists were able to boat along Echo River in Mammoth Cave, the longest cave system in the world.



FERN LAKE, BELL COUNTY, 1939

Two people canoe on Fern Lake, a water source for nearby Middlesboro.



CUMBERLAND FALLS, MCCREARY & WHITLEY COUNTIES, undated

Known as the 'Niagara of the South', Cumberland Falls is the only place in the Western Hemisphere where you can witness a 'moonbow' or lunar rainbow.



KENTUCKY LAKE, 1968

One of 42 man-made lakes in the state, Kentucky Lake was created in 1944 with the installation of the Kentucky Dam. It is the largest artificial lake by surface area east of the Mississippi River.