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BARNEGAT BRANCH TRAIL

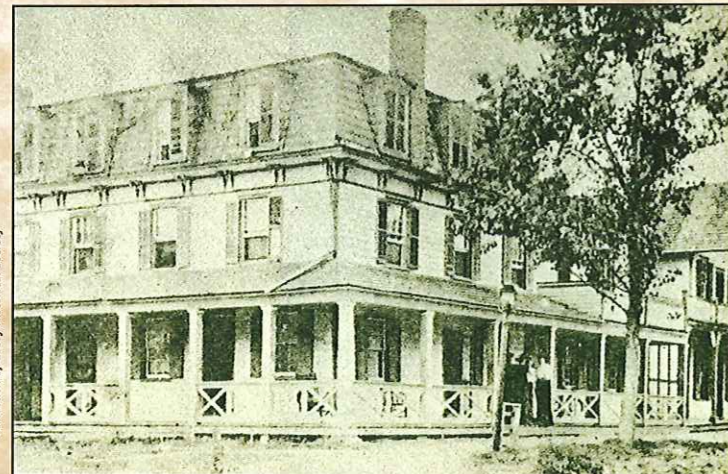
DEPARTMENTS OF PLANNING, ENGINEERING AND PARKS & RECREATION

WELCOME TO FORKED RIVER HOTELS

CNJ Forked River Passenger, Photo: July 1950



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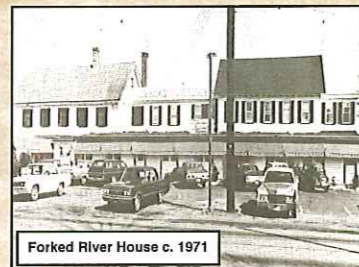
Old Lafayette House, Burned about 1900.



New Lafayette House, stood on site of old one, burned 1915.



Forked River House c. 1910



Forked River House c. 1971

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PRESIDENT WILSON VISITS FORKED RIVER, N. J. - PRESS NOTICES -

President Wilson made the Greyhound Inn, Forked River, N. J., his only stopping place on his tour from Atlantic City to Long Branch, September 9th, and was cordially received and warmly welcomed by Mr. Frank W. Briggs, the Proprietor. The President highly complimented Mr. Briggs on the unique interior of the Inn, and its many features for the comfort and amusement of its guests, and enthusiastically admired the prize winning Greyhounds from which the Inn derives its name. He inquired about the fishing and gunning on Barnegat Bay, of which Forked River is the Headquarters, and expressed his admiration of the healthful climate and pure atmosphere of the place. The President and party did ample justice to a real Shore and Chicken Dinner, for which the Greyhound Inn has a world-wide reputation, all stating it was one of the best dinners they ever ate. On leaving the President thanked Mr. Briggs for his hospitality. The President, accompanied by Mrs. Wilson and party, conveyed in nine automobiles, left for "Shadow Lawn," the summer capitol at Long Branch.

THE GREYHOUND INN, RESTAURANT AND THEATRE
The Amusement Centre,—Fishing & Gunning Headquarters on the Famous Barnegat Bay. Real Sea Food & Chicken Dinners, a Specialty. Music & Dancing. Best Over Night Stop between New York and Atlantic City.

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Private Dining Room—Used by President Wilson

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Parker House became the Greyhound Hotel, under the ownership of Frank Briggs.

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The Barnegat Branch Trail logo was explicitly designed with history in mind: Lady Liberty's silhouette is reminiscent of the Central Railroad of NJ (CNJ) logo, adopted by the railroad in 1944 to reflect the close proximity of the CNJ terminal in Jersey City to the Statue of Liberty. The BBT logo also includes a ghost locomotive, as well as Ocean County's most recognizable environmental features.



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