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Ingersoll incorporated as a village

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On Labor Day, 1952, the town of Ingersoll celebrates the centennial of its incorporation as a village.

Reporting on development of the town to 1861.

"During the last decade the progressive advancement of the village has been remarkable, equally as regards population, commercial importance, and the extension of its occupied area."

"Ingersoll has now a handsome and commodious Town Hall and Market House surmounted by a neat belfry and spire, substantially built of brick. There are also several fine, large edifices of two and three storey, of brick, for business purposes, on the principal streets, which would be a credit to places of greater pretensions, and large first class hotels."

"The staple business and industrial trade of the village and neighborhood is in wheat and sawn lumber. It is well supplied with manufacturing facilities, having unlimited water power in the immediate vicinity, which at present gives power to two grist and two flouring mills."

"There were nine hotels listed for 1862. Three of them remain and are used as apartment houses. Those now in use are Carroll's Hotel, the Daly House, and the Royal - The Royal was very classy. It had a theatre and advertised free bus service to and from the railway station."