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HIDDEN TREASURE

Have you ever wished for a sudden gift of money? Did you ever dream of buried treasure? Well we have a treasure here on the Island. Through the cooperation of a well known Islander, we obtained the complete information. As he wishes to remain unknown, we can only thank him for his work.

In the War of 1812, there can be no forgetting of the great victory of Commodore Oliver H. Perry over the British at Put-in-Bay. On one of Perry's boats was an American officer who thirsted for sudden wealth. After the battle, amidst the confusion, the officer stole a chest of money from a British ship. The English officers had planned to use this money to pay their troops. The American officer hid the money until the fleet anchored that night near Cunningham's Island.

Silently, in a small skiff, he took his chest and rowed to the Island. Landing on the north shore, he searched for a place to hide the chest. Spying a likely spot between a walnut and a sycamore tree, he buried the treasure which was valued at \$180,000. He made a careful note of the place and rowed back to the ship, unobserved.

Years passed and the treasure rested peacefully. Then one day in 1880, two people, who claimed to be the great-grandchildren of that American officer, appeared to this Islander, who has told us the story. They had an old letter which stated the location of the treasure on the land of our Island friend. For two weeks they stayed on the Island and they then disappeared. It was never known whether or not they found the buried treasure.

Up to the present day no one else has appeared to claim the treasure. If it is still there, it will probably remain there unless by some lucky accident it is unearthed. Until then, the treasure will rest in peace.

Ted Himmelein.

— OH THOSE GHOSTS! —

If you believe in the supernatural, Kelley's Island welcomes you, for many an old and rambling house has been built here on the Island. The Islanders have seen many queer things and many seeming beyond belief.

The old house on the north shore, presently owned by the Meeks' of Columbus, is a fine example. Slamming doors and creaking stair treads quickly form themselves into a ghostly visitor, to straining ears. Witnesses have sworn that they heard someone walking through the halls. Once scared, one can imagine anything.

The old Kelley house has had many a rumor gone around about its ghosts of the departed. This, however, like the rest of the stories, are all, of course, just imagination although there could be secret panels and the like in many of these old homes that even the finest eyes can not detect.

— TRY THIS ONE —

Three cannibals and three missionaries want to cross a river. They have one boat which holds only two people. All of the missionaries and one of the cannibals can row. If there are more cannibals than missionaries in one place at a time, the cannibals will devour the missionaries. How do they cross the river?

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PLAYING

SAFE -

Kelley's Island has been very fortunate in keeping its record clear of death by drowning. The last week-end there was one tragedy. A boy from Cleveland was drowned while trying to launch a canoe at Johnson Island.

On Kelley's Island there is no modern and dependable equipment in case of drownings. There are no life guards at the docks or beaches. Of course we realize this would be next to impossible to have these things in the present state of conditions; and therefore - you, as an individual, must be on the watch constantly.

One boy who seems to always be alert and cool headed in tight spots is Don Lange. He has mastered incidents that might have been tragedies without his help. Many of the Island swimmers could be more like Don, for they can swim fully as well.

A few rules might be followed while in swimming which will help immensely. Never swim alone. Always keep an eye on the less skilled swimmers. If you are in a position to help somebody, keep calm and cool but remember the loss of one life is better than two.

Let us keep the 1937 summer season a season without one disaster from the lake.

WEATHER MAN

The weather, last week-end, was very unfavorable, especially for the visitors who came here expecting to spend a few lovely, sunny days of fishing and swimming. Old Sol seemed to upset their apple-cart alright, and though the guest traffic was heavy, it is sure that they did not have as good a time as they had planned. The wind being north-east made crossing rather rough so the Chippewa didn't make her trip to Lakeside at any time. There was, however, quite a boat-load of people and twelve automobiles returning to Sandusky on the five P.M. boat trip Sunday, August 22.

Weather Man, couldn't you have let us have some real Kelley's Island weather, sunshine and warm breezes that the Island is noted for, to show the visitors?

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People We Know - - -

James Himmelein, one of our summer guests here, has spent the week at Camp Perry, doing some fancy rifling.

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Mr. George Mills, of East Cleveland, Ohio has been entertained by the Huber's this past week.

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Last week-end, Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Hummell entertained the Young Married Peoples Sunday School Class of their church in Cleveland, Ohio.

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Probate Judge, John Baxter and family of Sandusky, spent the week-end here with friends.

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It is rumored that Dr. Harry Nieman, a former principal of our school, will be married the latter part of September. Since July he has been at Mt. Vernon, Ohio, looking after the practice of Dr. Sidney Lord, of that place, who is vacationing in England. His many Island friends extend hearty congratulations.

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Charles and Lyn Brown spent their week-end at the Great Lakes Exposition in Cleveland, Ohio.

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Mrs. Kris Kurts is in the hospital in Sandusky for gallstones. Peggy Dwelle was also rushed to the hospital last week.

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This past week, men have been surveying the land around the water tower for a new telephone exchange. The telephone line will then be run along with the electric line. New phones will be installed in the partons homes as soon as this new line is put through. The Bell Telephone Company has charge of this deal.

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Mr. Gene Haas and his friend Mr. Elwood Cyple of Indianapolis, have spent their week's vacation at Gene's home here on the Island with his mother and sister.

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Monday evening, August 23, Mr. R. E. Daving of Columbus showed some movies, views of our Island, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Blatt.

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SPORT HIGHLIGHTS ---

The Kelley's Island team lost a hard fought twelve inning game Sunday by the score of one to two. The score was tied one all, until the eleventh inning, when the La Grange team acquired a run. The Island team tried hard to overcome the lead, but failed. It was an independent game.

George Mauser made a nice throw in the game Sunday. There was a man on third, and the ball was hit on a fly to left field. He made a nice running catch to get the ball, and threw the man out at the plate.

Oliver Schlesselman was called safe at first base Sunday, on one of his trips to the plate, but not before he and the LaGrange first baseman tripped over each other, and went sprawling in the mud, which was scattered around first base.

The Kelley's Island team is in the Northern League. They have played seven games so far and have lost one. They are in first place. The one they did lose was to the Soldiers Home team which is in second place. Kelley's Island has three games to play yet. The Soldiers Home team is through playing now till the play of which will be on Sept. 19. They have won 8 out of 10. They have already their games, but Kelley's Island has been rained out twice, so the Island team has two more games to play yet. These two teams are Bellvue and the Cloverleaves. Clyde and the Whites Landing team are the teams which have beaten the Soldiers Home team once, and the Island team has beaten each of those teams twice. They have also beaten Bellvue and the Cloverleaves once already, so they have a pretty good chance to participate in the play-offs. I think as many people as possible should attend the game which is to be played in the Soldiers Home team's field in Sandusky, and help root for our home team. I believe you all hope along with me that they keep on winning as they have been winning.

NATURE TRAILS

Most people abhor a storm in which thunder and lightning play a prominent part. Many people are afraid either because of childhood scares or of tales of the ferocity of some storms which come off the lake. It is not to these people that this article is dedicated, but to the so-called strong-minded. In the dark clouds scudding before the wind, many strange, magnificent and fantastic shapes are seen. The queer lighting effects which take place in a true Lake Erie squall are well worth noticing. It is a strange and barbarous beauty which is seen on the Island, and yet fully one-half of the population of the Island huddle in houses instead of watching, being thrilled at the way God cleans the earth. The prevailing freshness which follows a storm testifies to this.

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