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"OLE K.I."

Mix three parts lovely old summer resorts with two parts well kept year-round residences and one part natural beauty. Dash sparingly with a bit of progress; stir well, and pour into a spatter shaped mold set in the blue waters of Lake Erie, and you'll have --- Kelley's Island.

Along the calm south shore, one sees the stately old summer homes, typical of the late Victorian era.

Moving westward along the Lakeshore Road, one notes the more modern aspect taken on by the houses. In this wild yet sheltering welcomeness of the West Bay, camping spots are profuse.

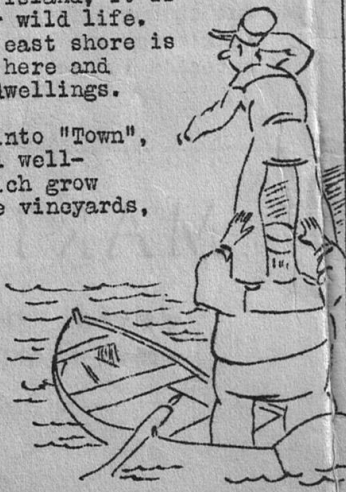
Turning abruptly eastward into an overgrown lane, leading through scrubby growth out onto the weedy quarry floor, one sees ahead the high unused piles of gravel. Beyond these are set dilapidated old houses, rambling among quaint scraggly gardens.

Division Street is a picture of contented thriftiness. It is terminated at the north by the old fishing docks and famous Sand Beach, and at the south by the sleepy (except on Saturday night) little corner known as "Town".

Long Point stretches far out into the water toward the northeast. The most untamed area on the Island, it is an ideal haven for wild life. Indeed the entire east shore is wild, dotted only here and there with small dwellings.

Leading back into "Town", one passes several well-kept farms, in which grow corn, wheat, grape vineyards, and the like.

Certainly there is hardly to be found anywhere, a more diversified place than K. I.



MYSTERY NO 3

During the Civil War the inhabitants of Kelley's Island were given a fright by the report of lights having been seen at night on Middle Island.

In the winter of 1863 rumors of an attempt to invade the United States via Canada, by a company of Southern soldiers and Canadian sympathizers, had already caused uneasiness. Excitement ran high. The Island militia Company was called out and they slept on their firearms that night, after establishing a line of pickets along the North shore, to detect if possible, the approach across the ice of the enemy.

As nothing alarming developed, a man was sent next day to investigate Middle Island. He returned soon saying that there was not a single foot print in the snow nor evidence of any kind, of the recent presence of man.

Since that time a mysterious light has been occasionally seen there by Kelley's Islanders, - sometimes in winter and sometimes in summer.

Who knows the answer to that?

MYSTERY NO 4

What race of people were buried near Inscription Rock, whose remains were discovered in 1937 by the telephone men? The place of burial is within the boundaries of an old Indian village that was abandoned about 1650.

It is well known that Indians were too superstitious to bury their dead in their villages, nor would they knowingly make a village over or upon a graveyard. Even white men will not do that.

It is not known how long the Erie's lived on this Island before they were driven off by the Iroquois about three hundred years ago. That they ignorantly

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BACK TO WORK

The quarries are working again!

Quickly these glad tidings circulated among the non-quarriers of the Island - accompanied by unbelieving exclamations - deep sighs of relief - and silent prayers of thankfulness.

The long-rumored happening is at last coming true, and scores of ambitious workers trudge contentedly back to the hot and dusty quarries.

After one or two days of extensive machine oiling, and general fixing up, everything was again set to go.

Now, as for many years, we are awakened in the morning by the shrill exciting whistle as it warns of the coming blasts. Once more the ground shakes with baby-earthquakes, and deep rumbling thunder reverberates in the air.

The quarries have so long been a dominant feature of Kelley's Island that without them, the Island seemed destitute of its personality.

Some people may object to the noisy blasts and equipment, but to those who really know how much the work means to the Islanders, the Island seemed destitute of its personality.

These are good signs of returning prosperity,- Let's hope that this time it is here to stay.



DID YOU KNOW ---

.....the postoffice used to be located in Martin's Confectionery?

.....the Lange home, where the Hugo Seeholzer family resides, was once the only Catholic Church on the Island?

.....the circulation of this newspaper reaches as far as Sydney, Australia, and many far off states in our country?

.....the Locks at Sault Ste. Marie, Ontario are made of Kelley's Island limestone?

"PEOPLE WE KNOW"

Miss Helen Marshoy recently spent ten days at Quebec, Canada, with friends.

Miss Selma Nader was visiting in Syracuse, New York, recently.

Much ado was made about the newly-weds, Mr. and Mrs. William Kelley Jr., of Cleveland, when they arrived here Saturday night the 13th. They were conveyed along the Lakeshore Drive via horse and buggy which was decorated appropriately with colored crepe paper and tin cans.

A reception given them by relatives was held later in the evening at Mr. Kelley's home.

Mrs. Walter Brown received a severe cut on her left hand last week when a sickle she was handling slipped and cut a tendon in her little finger.

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PEOPLE WE KNOW (Continued)

Mr. and Mrs. John Olemacher and son of Sandusky have been visiting Mr. and Mrs. Nelson Dwelle recently.

Mrs. Oland Atteson and daughter Maron are spending several weeks with her parents Mr. and Mrs. Louis Huber.

Mr. Floyd Keefer, well known young Islander, is now clerking at the Lang and Brown store.

Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Freund and daughter Judy, relatives of Hugo Seeholzer, spent last week at the Pape Cottage.

Mr. and Mrs. Herb Warnsman of Cleveland, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Fisher of Columbus, who for many years have spent their vacations here at the Bay View, have been visiting the Island recently.

Miss Roberta Hummell spent a week at Lakeside, Ohio, attending a Church Conference recently.

Miss Kathryn Haas spent a week with Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Haas at Wardville, Ohio. Her mother, Mrs. F. J. Haas, joined her later in the week.

Mrs. Arnold Daringer was the week-end guest of Mr. and Mrs. John T. Moysey, and Mrs. S.M. Herrick and daughter, Catherine Ann, are spending a week with them.

Miss Nancy Williams is entertaining Miss Judy Grimes of West Va. Miss Grimes is a roommate of Miss Williams at Lake Erie College.

Miss Janet Wiley and Miss Helen Degner of Toledo, Ohio, have been visiting at East-A-Ways Cottage this week.

Mrs. White and daughter Jane are visiting at Moysey's this week.



Mrs. Will Kelley is entertaining Mr. and Mrs. Dean of Cleveland this week-end.

On behalf of the staff of the Islander II, we wish to extend our sincerest sympathies to those bereaved by the recent deaths of Mr. Peter Ditcher, Mr. Michael Szabo and Mr. Theodore Reidy.

Kelley's Island has recently become quite music conscious.

A few weeks ago we were singing our Friday evening away in the park. Under the expert leadership of Reverend and Mrs. Larasen, even the most silent of persons burst forth into song.

And then there was the most excellent band concert in the park. The boys and girls from the Band Camp at Dedar Point certainly furnished an afternoon full of enjoyment.

The latest arrivals are "The Plainsmen" from Cleveland's WCLE. The boys have been doing forest conservation work and have won this trip to Kelley's Island as a prize. Since their arrival the North Side rocked with rhythm. So great is their popularity that they are busy every night.

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made their village over a graveyard is evidence that the interments were so ancient as to leave no trace apparent to the Eries.

In as much as a peculiar shard or pottery fragment was found on the site of the place where the bones were dug up, and that the design on it resembles those found on pottery of the Mound Builders at Wycliff, Kentucky, it is assumed that the bones are those of Mound Builders who lived in various parts of North America about 1200 years ago. Numerous mounds on the Island indicate the probable presence of Mound Builders here.

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