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OLD ISLAND WINE-CELLARS

Old wine-cellars, what a most romantic subject to write about, think about, and even dream about.

On Kelley's Island before prohibition came in, there were dotted, here and there, many wine-cellars, the grape industry being one of the most prominent in the Island's history.

The most famous cellar was that of the Kelley's Island Wine Co. at Carpenter Point, on the west side of the Island. It now looms above the trees, almost hidden from the tourists' view, like a monstrous medieval castle, in ruins. Fire was its destroyer, as the case in many other ruined wine-cellars.

The Wm. Becker homestead had on its land a large cellar which was struck by lightning, and burned for days. A few years ago, all that was standing was one wall, and now that has been completely razed.

The old Scheadler collar down between Suhr's and Bouman's was also a victim of fire. It is yet a mystery as to the cause, - spontaneous combustion, the upsetting of a lamp - no one knows to this day.

Did you know that the present foundation of the Old Stone Club was another one of the wine-cellars belonging to the Scheadlers'? Not much change there, - just a modernization and transition of principles.

Do you remember the cellar that stood where is now the Inscription Rock State Park? It belonged to the Myers Wine Co. and burned down five or six years ago.

One cellar which has not been destroyed, but is not operating at present is the Stokes' cellar down on the East side of the Island.

So you can see that the major portion of the wine-cellars now in ruins have been destroyed by fire, showing its great and unharnessed powers.

The one cellar which is now operating is the Monarch Wine Company, next to the Sherman Brown residence. It came to life after prohibition was repealed and has been guite active ever since.

MYSTERY NO. 2

Another of the mumerous mysteries of Kelley's Island, about which much interest has been aroused, is the one of the Masonic Rock. This rock is now displayed in W. E. Hills' Curiosity Shop. Mr. Hills has made quite thorough investigations into the matter.

A few years ago, Mr. Stuart Ward found a block of sandstone lying on the ground, partly buried, leaving only a little of it projected above the surface of the soil. Its octagonal shape attracted his attention, and he dug it up. He found to his surprise, that the face of the stone was turned down, and had carved upon it, mysterious emblems. The emblems have since been identified as Masonic, by Dr. Charles Merz, editor of the Masonic Bulletin of Sandusky. Dr. Mers is an authority on the ancient history of the Masonic Order, but he has been unable to explain the presence of the rock on Kelley's Island. As it is a sandstone rock, it is evident that it was not made here, as sandstone is not a native rock.

While the emblems are undoubtedly Masonic, they are not displayed in the modern Masonic manner, and there are many other points of difference too detailed to mention here.

The present day display of Masonic emblems was adopted several hundred years ago, the age of this mysterious stone must be much more ancient than that. How it came to be on Kelley's Island, and why was it brought here, are questions await—ing the efforts of some ambitious scholar.



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LOVELY BATHING BEACHES

Kelley's Island is known throughout the land for its wonderful sand bathing beach and its many other good places to go swimming. The State owns a 500 ft. strip of Sand Beach included in the Glacial Grooves State Park.

But this beach will no longer be fit to use if the visitors continue to misuse it, as they have been doing in the past.

It must be understood that this beach is for bathing purposes only, not for dumping garbage and trash. The high waters have been bringing in rocks, driftwood, and dead fish. To keep our beaches in decent condition, we must try to clean them up more than at present. We cannot wait for the State mem whose duty it is to clean up the beaches and parks, for if we did wait for them our beach would probably be all washed away. We must act now, everyone, in cooperation with this effort to keep our beaches clean. They can in no way contimue to be healthful and safe places where people go bathing if someone doesn't take into consideration the welfare of others into their hands and eradicate this public menace.

Pull together, one and all, to help in this geachaide Clear-up Campaign.

PEOPLE WE KNOW!

Monday, August 1, a meeting of the stockholders of the Kolley's Island Steamboat Dock Co., was held to appoint a new Board of Directors. Results of meeting are as follows:

President - Mr. William Conkle Vice President - Frank Hamilton Secretary - Irma Conkle Treasurer - Mr. Roland Brown.

The nine directors appointed are:
Mrs. Sarah Trieschmann, Mr. Orville
Lange, Mr. Roland Brown, Miss Myra
Dodge, Mr. Frank Hamilton, Mr. George
Suhr Sr., Mrs. Irma Conkle, Mr. Ralph
Dwellie and Mr. William Conkle.

Mr. William Burger, former manager, has been asked to remain at this post until a new manager is appointed.

Mr. and Mrs. August Schnittker fittingly observed their fifty-eighth wedding anniversary last Saturday and Sunday by entertaining their five daughters and three sons and families at the Town Hall.

Mrs. Zulla Mosher of Chicago, Ill., is here visiting her sister, Mrs. Emmet Boring.

Mr. and Mrs. Mex C. Hyre and Mr. and Mrs. Best of ----- friends of Mr. and Mrs. Eber Shaw spent a week at the West End Club.

Mrs. Christ Kurtz and children spent last Saturday and Sunday at Bellevue. While there they visited Reverend Maerder.

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PEOPLE WE KNOW (Continued)

Mr. and Mrs. Adolph Seeholzer, and children, and Mrs. Hugh Brennan and children, of Niagara Falls, have been visiting at the Inn for the past week.

Mrs. F.W. Pape and son William, have arrived to spend a week on the Island.

The Misses Helon and Nellie Elfers and mother are spending the summer at their home here on the Island.

Miss Alico Sheehan, of Cleveland, has been a visitor at the home of Miss Virginia Lange for the past week.

Raphael Erne has been wandering around on crutches as a result of a serious foot injury received at work.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Kosbob and children have been visiting at Leslic Beatty's.

Misses Mary and Martha Walrath, and Mr. Supplee have been guests at the Kay-Ann Cottage over the week-end.

Mr. and Mrs. West Trieschmann and children spent Sunday at the Trieschmann home with his mother.

Mrs. John Riedy, her daughter Mrs. L. Michaels and family, have spent the week-end here at the Riedy home.

Rev. and Mrs. A. W. Schlesselman and their family, have been sponding their bi-annual Island vacation hore with the Schnittkers.

Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Green and family of Huntington, Indiana, have spent the past week as guests of the Henry Schlesselman's.

Col. George Terrance Boniface Grady, and Dr. V. L. Rouse, and Layton Rouse, of Ladow, Kentucky, spent a week at Wards.

Mrs. Lucinda Kosbob, and her daughter Hilda, Miss Shell, and Mr. Albert Ohelmacher, spent several days at the home of Clarence Josbob.

Miss Mary Mazur has been visiting at her home for the past week.

Mr. William Lange, who has been seriously injured while at work on the lake, is stoadily improving. We heartily hope for his speedy recovery.

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. John Porrichon on the new arrival at their home - a baby girl, born at the Providence Hospital in Sandusky, Ohio.

Miss Marjorie Washio has returned to the Island this week after a few weeks visit at Port Clinton, Ohio.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Downes and family are spending the summer at the Upp Cottage.

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COMPLIMENTS OF

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CATION DAYS

Dance to the Rhythms
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AL SHAFER'S ORCHESTRA
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SPORT HIGHLIGHTS



The Island team lost Sunday, July 17, in the ninth inning, after tho

score had been tied up till then, by the score of 3 to 1.

It was a well pitched game by both pitchers and a tough one to lose.

Bud Erne had his old time form, but he wasn't quite good enough to overcome those almost inevitable errors which came that last inning.

But they will be out to win their next game, and still have a good chance to finish on top of the league standings. The attendance has steadily increased since the season started, but it still isn't enough. So let's all go out to the ball game, and yell for the tenm till we get hourso.

PEOPL'E WE KNOW (Continued)

Mrs. John G. Witte and sons Charles and Jack spent the week at East-a-Ways. Mr. Witte joined them over the week-end.

Dr. Henry C. Shetrone and Mrs. Shotrone of Columbus, Ohio, have had a dolightful vacation on Kelley's Island. Mrs. Rather, a sister of Mrs. Shetrone, and Miss Anne Rather and Miss Vera Carter, were their guests. They occupied the cottage at the State Glacial Park during their sojourn here.

Mr. Jack Steale, a friend of Mr. Jack Sennish, has been spending some time at the Sennish home with a group of his friends from Cleveland.

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