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SCHOOL NEWS
Room 1 (Grades 1-4)

We had a new student for three weeks. Her name is Cara Lee Cline.

Room 1 had their valentine's party on Feb. 12. The class has decorated the art bulletin boards with valentine hearts.

The third grade fixed a bulletin board about exercises and the ways to keep fit.

The third and fourth grades gave a play to the rest of the class and to room 2 students. The play was called "The Lad and the North Wind."

A map was made by Lu Ann and Jimmy Holmes showing the voyages of some of the early explorers.

Mrs. Baker, mother of our former teacher, Miss Helen Baker, came to visit our school on Feb. 12.

Mark Betzenheimer - 5

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DID YOU HEAR . . .

. . . about the mint-flavored shoes for government officials who keep putting their foot in their mouth?

. . . about the nearsighted turtle that fell in love with an Army helmet?

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Our room has received Reading Circle library books. We have already reported on some of them.

We were given cake and ice-cream as a treat for Mr. Erne's birthday.

Barbara Knapp also gave ice cream and cake for her birthday on Jan. 25.

Some of the students have received letters from foreign pen pals.

Barbara Knapp received letters from the following people:

Bernice lives in a game reserve in Zululand, Africa. Bernice told about the white rhinoceroses, giraffes, zebras, jackals, hyenas, wild pigs, monkeys, and the baboons that live in her area.

Merethe Pihlstrom lives in Norway. She likes skating and dancing.

Michele Przycki, who lives in France, collects postcards.

Fam Harding, Canada, enjoys ice-skating.

Nina Rerup lives in Denmark. She lives on a little farm.

Martha Croond lives in Sweden. She likes to read detective stories.

Raija Istalo lives in Finland. She likes to read and play basketball. Raija also has a horse.

Barbara Feyedelem received a letter from Mary Goldie. She lives in Port Glasgow, Scotland. Mary's hobbies are swimming, dancing, and ice-skating.

Our room has been discussing hobbies. We think that everyone should have at least one good hobby.

Every Monday we are going to discuss current events that happened during the week. We will also bring in editorials, book reviews, and other important parts of a newspaper.

The fifth graders are making geography scrapbooks. Each student picks a country and then collects pictures, articles, etc.

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We are all working on some kind of project. Some of the students chose photography. They are learning about the history of photography, the science of photography, and then all of us are going to learn how to develop pictures in our school darkroom.

Everyone in the room is doing some kind of creative writing. We are writing autobiographies, poems, stories, or short plays.

Room 2 also had their valentine party Friday the 12th. After serving refreshments, we exchanged valentines.

Alice Feyedelem - 7

Winter is Here

The winter is here.

We are glad, we are glad!
We skate, we play,
Hurrah! Hurrah!

The Winter

The winter is gone
The days are long
We play, we swim
And sing a song.

Linda Routly - 5

High School News

Mr. Norman, state school inspector came to our school on Feb. 4th.

The high school boys put in the new water cooler. They have put up a stand beside it so the little ones can get a drink.

The clock upstairs ran down, now no one can tell what time it is.

The boys in shop are working on making stuffed furniture.

Linda Routly - 5

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Sioux Indian prayer: "Great Spirit, help me never to judge another until I have walked in his moccasins for two weeks."

"Blue"

Mary O'Neill's "Hailstones and Halibut Bones," a collection of 12 poems about various colors, has inspired young poets all over the country to write verse of their own about colors and what they symbolize and signify. One of the most expressive is this published in Elementary English by fifth-grader Mary Joyce Pritchard:

Blue is the sky over your head.
Blue is the blanket that's on a bed.
It's blueberry pie and juicy sweet plums.
It's the ink with which you write your sums.
It's water that laps the distant shore.
It's fresh paint on the front door.
The air in spring is the smell of blue.

(P.S. Young Mary is blind.)

CUB SCOUT NEWS

On the 13th of January we started to make boxes for odds and ends, or whatever we want to keep in them.

We cut the pieces of wood for the boxes, then we nailed them together.

The Holmes's brought the treat. On Jan. 20th, we started to sand the boxes and then we're bringing them home to paint.

Mark Betzenheimer is using his box for odds and ends. Johnny Kilko's box will be a machine-gun ammunition case. Jimmy Holmes will use his for odds and ends and Richard Holmes will use his as a savings bank.

On Feb. 3, the Cub Scouts met, but not all of the scouts were there.

We made mobiles with wire. Richard Holmes made his name with wire; Mrs. Kilko made a fish and a star; Mrs. Holmes made a turtle, and Jimmy Holmes made two fish.

Richard Holmes - 5

The Brownies are making aprons for their mothers, and the others are making wrap-around skirts for themselves.

Alice Feyedelem - 7

Tomorrow

I see the stars up in the sky
Looking down at me,
For when the clouds cover them,
No more of them I see.
Then the shining moon peeps through,
And makes a pretty sight!
For tomorrow's day will be so nice
I'll hardly sleep tonight.

Barbara Knapp - 7

LOCAL COWS GET TREATED TO NEW MILKING MACHINES!

Monta Betzenheimer and Pamela Routly had a new kind of thrill in their young lives -- an experience not often enjoyed by youngsters of today.

On Sat. Feb. 13 Lloyd and Jim Marchky invited the two girls over to the farm to help with the chore of milking the cows.

The girls said they were successful. When they were through with milking they helped separate the cream. Guess what! They also helped make a little over 5 pounds of butter! (Oh, for some homemade bread and strawberry jam --- and don't spare the buttermilk!)

Well, girls, MOO-ch success to you in your new adventures!

President Lyndon Johnson received this message from an Indian on a reservation: "Be careful with your immigration laws. We were careless with ours."

It seems that everyone is smoking the pipe of peace, but nobody is inhaling.

The new crusher and conveyor system, installed this fall and winter by the Kelstone Company, was tested Feb. 15.

About 75 tons of rock was put through the crusher that day. Some adjustments had to be made, otherwise the crusher is working fine.

Blasting has been started on a small scale along a 6-foot ledge near the northwest corner of the "seven-eighths" pile.

The huge ramp of stone and dirt leading up to the crusher has been completed.

A Mortifying Mistake
(Or, "The Evils of Memorizing")
by Anna M. Pratt

I studied my tables over and over,
And backward and forward, too;
But I couldn't remember six times nine,
And I didn't know what to do,
Till sister told me to play with my doll,

And not to bother my head --
"If you call her 'Fifty-four' for awhile,

You'll learn it by heart," she said.
So I took my favorite, Mary Ann
(Though I thought 'twas a dreadful shame

To give such a perfectly lovely child

Such a perfectly horrid name),
And I called her my dear little "Fifty-four"

A hundred times till I knew
The answer of six times nine as well

As the answer of two times two.

Next day Elizabeth Wigglesworth,
Who always acts so proud,
Said, "Six times nine is fifty-two,"

And I nearly laughed aloud;
But I wished I hadn't when teacher said,

"Now, Dorothy, tell if you can";
For I thought of my doll and --
Sakes alive! --

I answered, "Mary Ann!"

ISLAND NEWS

Mrs. John Bugel has been brought home from Good Samaritan Hospital. She went to the hospital on Dec. 29 as the result of a heart attack.

Clifford Brown is home from Providence Hospital where he spent 40 days recovering from hepatitis.

We are sorry to report the deaths of two people since our last paper came out in Dec.

They are Mr. Chucta, who lived in Chicago and had a summer home on Kelleys Island, and Mr. John Naylor who died unexpectedly on Feb. 2 at his home in Cleveland.

Mr. Nelson Dwelle celebrated his 85th birthday anniversary recently.

The heavy sleet storm that hit Kelleys Island -- and all the surrounding areas -- on the weekend of Jan. 22, did a lot of damage to trees, power lines, and telephone lines.

The "Jolly Boys" went to Put-in-Bay on the weekend of January 30 and 31 to play a game of basketball. Kelleys Island won with a score of 31 - 8.

Fishing so far has not been too good. Perch are all mostly little ones. Shanties have been set upon the ice off the west and north sides of the Island.

Bradley Pohorence-7

VILLAGE COUNCIL NEWS

At the regular January council meeting, Henry Beatty was elected president of the council.

Council approved a motion to put a street light on Huntington Lane.

Hugo Seeholzer submitted his resignation as council member.

Donald Routly has been voted in as a new councilman to fill Mr. Seeholzer's place.

Barbara Knapp - 7

There can be no happiness if the things we believe in are different from the things we do.

The Woodpecker

Rata-tat-tat-tat goes the woodpecker,
Rata-tat-tat-tat is his song.
Rata-tat-tat-tat goes the woodpecker,
During his job, the whole day long.

His song is not lovely,
His song is not sweet,
It's a monotonous sort of tune.
For his tune doesn't vary
As he stops to tarry,
Or gaze at a beautiful moon.

Elizabeth Kilko - 8

N O T I C E

Mrs. Naylor wishes to express her thanks and appreciation for the many expressions of sympathy given to her by Islanders after the death of her husband, Mr. John Naylor.

SUNKEN SHIPS DOT BOTTOM OF LAKE ERIE

The following poem, published in Vol. 7, No. 11 of the "Islander" in 1867, was written by Emma Howlett on Kelleys Island. Undoubtedly, the poem -- only part of it is given below -- was inspired by the steamboat "Island Queen."

Nevertheless, the following poem is a haunting echo of the rotting timbers and rusting iron from hundreds of ships of all descriptions that have found their resting place in western Lake Erie waters.

SONG OF THE STEAMSHIP

I come, I come in my pomp and pride
The wide expanse I fearless ride;
A noble being with beauty rife.
As I walk the waters a thing of life,
Well may I boast as I chant my song,
For human life I bear along.

Over the waves I onward sweep
Rocking them on the mighty deep,
The busy, the idle, the merry, the grave,
All, all I bear on the crested wave

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And still, as the cabin or deck
they throng,
I hum to myself a ceaseless song.

But at night when the darkness
spreads its pall,
As my mighty heart throbs rise and
fall,
When my weary charges have sunk to
sleep,
I faithfully bear them over the
deep
As over the waves I glide along,
I solemnly chant my ocean song.

Ah! There may be danger lurking
near,
Making the bravest quake with
fear,
The treacherous rock where the
breakers roar,
Beneath the beetling cliff that
hounds the shore,
Yet He'll protect as I dash along,
And in His strength I'll chant
my song.

Onward I'll rush through each voy-
age, rife
With the malevolent whirl and tem-
pest's strife
Till the haven I reach to depart
no more,
Or my timbers bleach on a distant
shore,
Till then, will I speed my freight
along,
And not till then will I cease my
song.

Several hundred schooners and
steamers -- boats of all descrip-
tions -- lie beneath the murky wa-
ters among the Islands of Lake
Erie and along its southern shore.

We certainly can't tell about
them all. But if any of you want
to go skin-diving around the shore
of Kelleys Island itself, here's
what you might be looking for --if
you will refer to the map on page
6:

(1) Steamer Adventure: found
its resting place off the east side
of the north bay. It burned Oct.
1903. Part of its hull can still
be seen when water is exceptionally
low. Its cargo was lime.

(2) Steamer St. Louis: This
618-ton, 190 feet, cross-head steam-
er was driven ashore off Long Point
Reef during a storm on Nov. 7, 1852.

It carried a cargo of flour
and other freight. Its passengers
were rescued the day after the St.
Louis went aground.

The hull was set afire and
she sank from sight -- after parts
of the engine were first salvaged
and taken to Sandusky.

The St. Louis rested 112 years
on the rocky bottom before two
skin divers discovered it in Sept.
1964.

(3) Schooner Uncle Sam: sunk
off the east side of Long Point in
Dec. 1847. It carried a cargo of
lumber.

(4) Steamer F.H. Prince: car-
ried no cargo when it burned off
the east side of Kelleys in Aug.
1911.

(5) Schooner John Mark: car-
ried a load of limestone when it
sunk off the southeast side of the
Island in Oct. 1903.

(6) Schooner Exchange: car-
ried a load of stone when it sank
Nov. 1874 near the stone dock off
the south side of Kelleys.

(7) Schooner C. N. Plummer:
had no cargo when it burned off
the south stone dock Nov. 1886.

(8) Tug Relief: sank off Car-
penter's point in June, 1884.

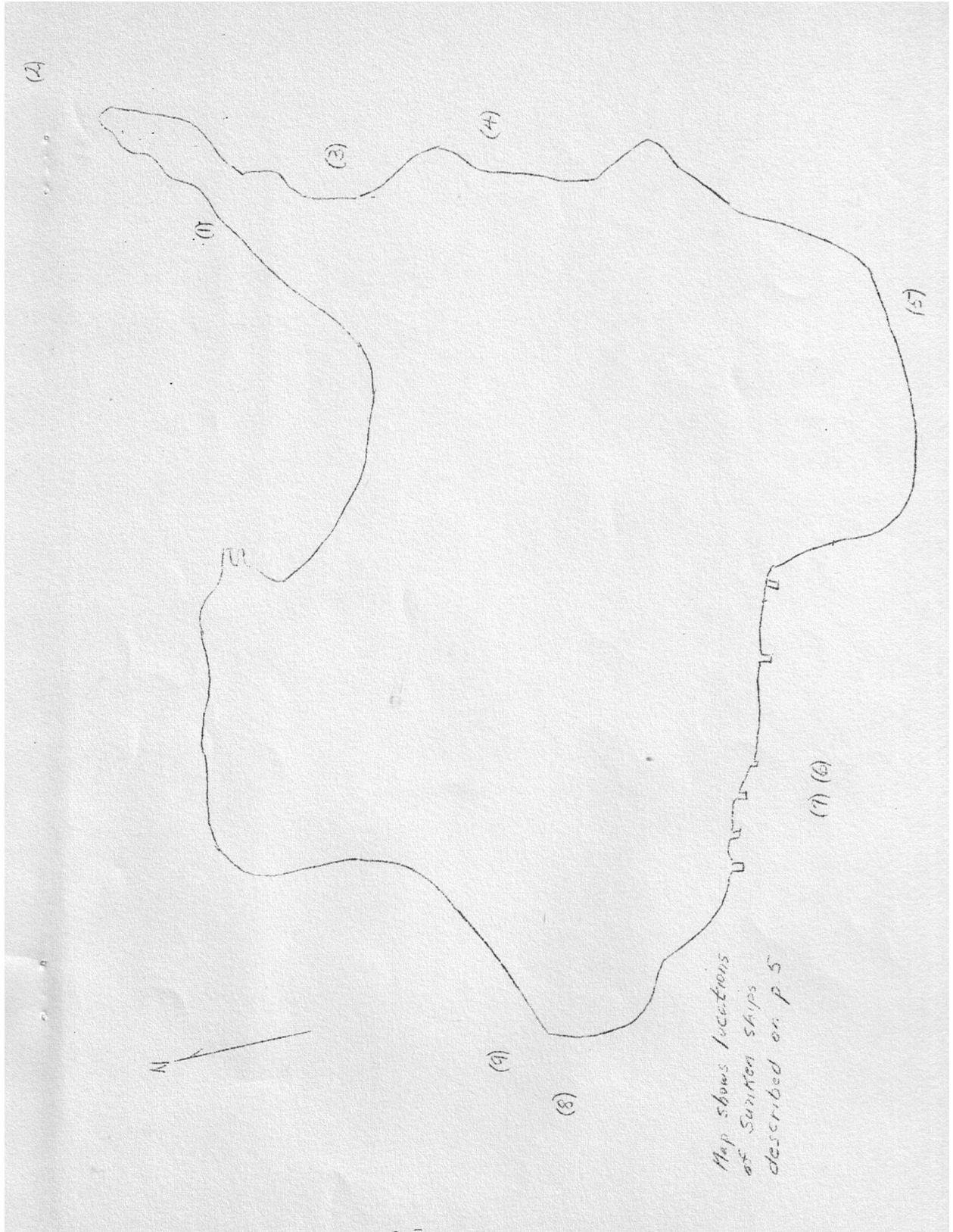
(9) Schooner I. B. Crocker:
sank Sept. 1846 off the west side
of Kelleys -- south of the West
Bay Dock. It carried a cargo of
stone.

(10) Schooner Florence: sank
off Kelleys Island in Dec. 1854.
Its exact location, or the kind of
cargo it carried, if any, are not
known to Capt. Hamilton.

What are you waiting for? Get
your snorkels, take your treasure
map along, and good hunting! Don't
expect to find anything romantic!

And, oh yes, while you're down
there find out where the pickerel
went.

(Note: We are grateful to
Capt. Frank E. Hamilton for giving
us the information on the ten ships
that sank off Kelleys Island.)



Map shows locations
of sunken ships
described on p 5

N O T I C E

Several of our subscribers, who did not subscribe to our paper last year because they did not know about it, asked if it would be possible to get some back issues containing certain feature articles.

Well, after a certain period of time we simply discard the stencils. Many of these stencils were used on our earlier spirit duplicator machine, and naturally such stencils wear out.

If enough people would like to have some of these back issues, we could recut mimeo stencils and print copies of only the feature articles included in them. Here is a list of the feature articles which we printed before this school year.

Vol. 1, No. 6: "A 125-year History of the American Eagle on Kelleys Island." Includes map showing the past and present locations of 12 eagle nests with a brief account of each.

Vol. 1, No. 7: "Kelleys Island's Natural History- Past and Present." This is a discussion of the animals that once roamed our Island, including elk, moose, and bear, and a summary of the number of different species of plants and animals that we find on the Island today.

Vol. 1, No. 8: "Lake Piracy and Kelleys Island's Role During the Civil War." Includes excerpts from diaries and letters of several Islanders written in active service during the Civil War.

Vol. 2, No. 2: "Locations of Indian Mounds on Kelleys Island." Includes a brief account of what is known about each of them.

Vol. 2, Nos. 4,5: "A History of Kelleys Island's Grape and Wine Industry." Includes map showing locations of all wine cellars that produced and shipped wine. This totals 24 wine cellars. A brief history, including capacity figures, is given for each.

Vol. 2, No. 6: "Do You Remember When . . . ?" A discussion of the good old days on Kelleys; this includes funny, sad, and heroic in-

cidences.

Vol. 2, No. 7: "The Store on the Corner." A discussion of the good old days in what was then called the "Lodge."

Vol. 2, No. 8: "The Inscriptions on the Rock." Tells about all that is known about the origin and meanings of our Inscription Rock.

Vol. 2, Special Issue; A man who claims to be a descendent of the Mound Builders -- Lightfoot Talking Eagle -- gives his views and interpretations of the inscriptions on the rock.

Vol. 2, No. 9: "Pound Fishing on Kelleys Island." Includes map showing the locations of 16 pound fisheries situated on various points on the shore of the Island. Brief history of each is given.

If interested in any of these feature articles, please contact the editor. Prices will be quoted later, depending upon demand, and demand will determine whether we will go ahead with the reprints.

....The Staff

HELP! HELP! HELP! HELP!

PLEASE CALL US IF YOU HAVE

ANYTHING FOR OUR

WHITE ELEPHANT SALE

The Junior and Senior Classes

will collect your white
elephants from now to the end

of April

If you have anything, call
the school.

Place and date of sale will

be announced later.

Proceeds will be used for the
Junior-Senior Class Trip

TO HAVE OR NOT TO HAVE.....A
KELLEYS ISLAND HISTORICAL SOCIETY?

To have or not to have an Island historical society is a problem which has been considered with varying degrees of interest and enthusiasm during the past several years -- but, unfortunately, with little or no ground gained.

This, of course, is to be expected. Reason No. 1: It is not so much what's to be put into such a local museum but where to put it. Reason No. 2: None of us seemed to really know how to go about organizing a historical society. We need legal and other professional advice.

Whereas Kelleys Island has made notable gains in its economic life, and is doing what it can to improve the recreational facilities, especially for our young people, we are faced with another serious problem.

Kelleys Island has the opportunity for having one of the finest historical museums anywhere. We've been promised, perhaps unknown to many of our readers, financial assistance as well as items of local historical interest IF we organize a bona fide historical society and have "adequate" housing in which to properly care for museum items.

We should take advantage of such offers NOW. Time has a peculiar way of playing tricks -- if it can be called that. One of the droneful sounds we have heard quite often goes something like this:

"Sorry, you're too late. Nobody seemed interested in the material and when the house was sold all that stuff was thrown in with the deal."

And so, little by little, over the years, come the "disappearing" acts.

Let's keep in mind, too: Time, like clocks, has a way of running out. There aren't many "old-timers" left on Kelleys Island and after they're gone their knowledge of Island history -- and their wealth of personal experiences -- goes with them.

Let's give our young generation an opportunity to learn what living was like during the early days of their forefathers. It's highly unlikely that anyone during those times was heard saying, "What is there to do?"

Certainly we can find so many good reasons for having a historical society and museum.

Mrs. Butler, curator of Lake-wood Historical Society has written several books on early Lake-wood and early Western Reserve. She encourages us to "get going" and has these suggestions for us:

(1) With an initial group (six to eight persons) determine what the museum collections will include.

A historical society may include some natural history, but a natural history museum usually does not include recent history of people.

(2) A lawyer, preferably one who will donate his services, can then draw up corporation papers.

Mrs. Butler comments further: "Kelleys Island is not a separate area -- not an island alone. Keep in mind it is a piece of Americana. Take help from anyone eager and able -- even those considered outsiders. You will find old-timers eager to reminisce, and newcomers interested in preserving and collecting."

So, we are using this means of communication to find out what your reactions are to this matter because, at this point, we need to enlist all the moral support that we can in order to "get the ball rolling." A few can't do it.

Time is precious. Careful and patient planning and work needs to be done.

Won't you offer your opinions and suggestions by writing to our paper? We'll publish your comments so that we'll all have a way of comparing notes.

K. Boker

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HELP FIGHT T.V. -- BUY A BOOK!