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Commodore's Message

Greetings;

As your new Commodore brings this message to the members of the club, he can't help but reminisce just a little. Omena is a delightful place and it gets into the blood of all of us. Mary Louise and I first visited Omena in 1957. We fell in love with the place. We found a suitable building site and have spent every summer there since and have enjoyed every minute of it.

The most important factor in the way of life for the 'resorters' is our Yacht Club. No single thing has done so much to create a community life by centering activities in the club. It is a wonderful place to make new friends and keep old ones.

As I take over the duties as Commodore I realize more and more what a wonderful job my predecessors, Dan Bradley, Crammy Finn, Bob Morse et al. have done. So many before me have done a great job in creating and developing the Club that I want to express my appreciation to the membership. Your new Officers and Directors pledge to try and keep up the high standards.

It is the opinion of many members that there should be an effective Youth Activities Program for all age youngsters. We are trying to obtain the services of a qualified Director and Counselor to work with the young people. At this time we have such a person in mind, hope to be able to publish the program in the May issue of the Breeze. We also have some ideas for activities for adults. If they jell we will bring more about them to you later.

Thanks to Ernie Clark our efficient House Chairman, we should have less wild animal life spending the winter in the Club House. Ernie is having the cracks and

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Committee Chairman for 1969 will be announced in the May issue of the "Breeze".

Commodore

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crannies closed up to keep out the squirrels and birds.

It has been sometime since anything has been done to the Club House. It was painted on the outside in 1963. Now Mary Foltz has agreed to apply her talents on the inside. With Mary's imagination and enthusiasm we should be in for a pleasant surprise next summer. How good of Mary to give of her time and effort again for the good of the Club.

We started this message by dreaming of the past, now won't you members do a little for the future and jot down your ideas and send them to me? Your Commodore needs all the new and fresh ideas available.

With best wishes for the Holidays from Mary Louise and me.

Harold H. Root
Commodore.

Hail!

O.T.Y.C. extends a happy welcome to the three families who have recently become new members:

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"Family" Events

Several happy social events, in addition to the weekly Pot-luck suppers, occurred during the 1968 season at O.T.Y.O.

The opening turkey dinner, catered by Oleson's, was well attended by members enthusiastically looking forward to the summer's activities. The fireworks display which followed, was "Oh-ed and Ah-ed" by an appreciative audience and the contributors who had made this July 4th celebration possible were roundly applauded.

The Commodore's dinner, (again catered by Oleson's) served by four chefs in white coats and tall chef hats, marked the transferring of the gavel from Commodore Dan Bradley to new Commodore Harold Root. A surprise musical skit furnished some delightful entertainment. Martha Smith and Jonnie Rule, assisted by an able cast, with Marion Finn at the piano, were responsible for this enjoyable feature.

This same talented group, with additional cast, also had presented an entertaining Style Show at one of the Pot-luck dinners. O.T.Y.C. jackets, sweat shirts and other articles which could be purchased from the Club were modeled.

Two picnics followed by community singing were also a part of the Club's "family" events.

Hidden Benefits

The co-operative planning between the Consumers Power Company and our Harbor and Docks chairman, Crammy Finn, accomplished a necessary step in the safe launching of sail-boats from the new ramp.

The overhead power lines from the transformer to the club-house were a serious hazard and until the wires were removed, tall-masted boats could not safely maneuver in the area.

Late last winter Crammy snow-shoed to a meeting at the site with Consumers Power men and the details were worked out for the underground laying of the power lines as soon as the ground permitted.

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A fleet of 11 boats, nine from Grand Traverse Yacht Club and three from ours) were competing. The weather was perfect, though a heavy blanket of fog on Sunday morning briefly delayed the start of the finals.

Ken Lindsay, with his wife and son as crew, recaptured the trophy from John McGuffin. Gordon Cornwell was second.

This two-day event was thoroughly enjoyed by both clubs and both groups are looking forward to next year's race. Because it is a race of and for just "us two clubs", it is hoped that O.T.Y.C. may again be host to this colorful and exciting regatta.

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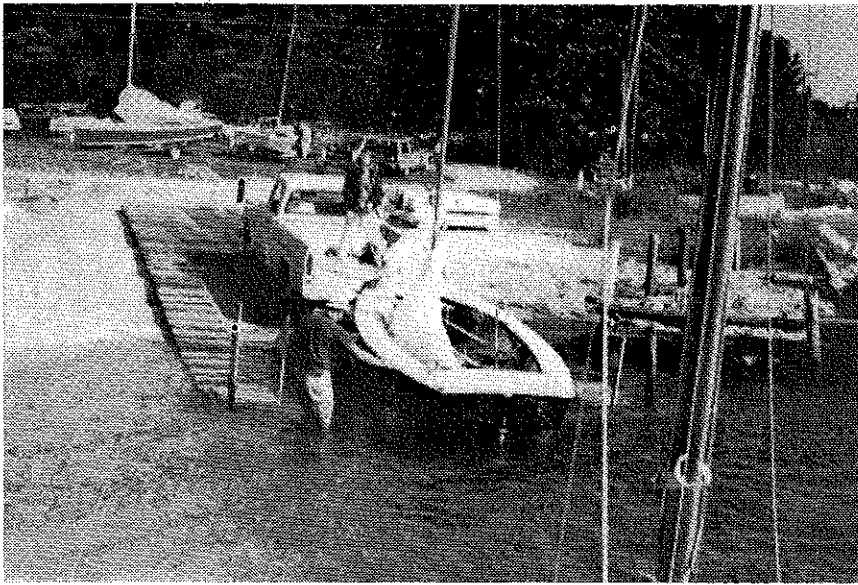
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There was no ribbon-cutting ceremony. There were no speeches. But OTYC's New launching ramp opened with a big splash as an entire fleet of Lightning class sailboats went into the water at the 1968 George Smith Memorial Regatta. Built by an enthusiastic volunteer group, the ramp earned immediate plaudits of visiting sailors and should be an asset for years to come.

News about Members

Ernie and Liz Clark will be leaving Omena on Nov. 15th to go down to Texas to attend the wedding of their grandson, Skylar Eichorn, the son of Chuck (Clark) Eichorn. They will be visiting there for some time and, what with other little side-trips that we all take, will be returning north some time in April. The chances are about even that they will leave before or in the first real snow storm of the year. We wish them a pleasant trip.

Clemewell Lay and Ann Wellington arrived back home just in time to answer your Editor's request for news and to view and participate in the elections. She didn't say she wouldn't be coming up to Omena this year, so we shall hope to see them both.

Hazel Taylor had her two California grandsons as guests during the summer and then their mother, Pat Kulick, for a while during the fall. The last two weeks of October, her other grand-son from out west, Christopher Verdery, PFC, Army Medical Corps, spent his furlough with her. Chris is stationed at Fort Dix in New Jersey. (I will try to get his full address, if possible.)

Ruth and Bill Fleming are still getting along quite well in their house at Omena — they have Jessie Carmichael's old house — and are looking forward to being there through Christmas. They may move "south" to Traverse City for January and February, so Bill can get to work more easily, even though I keep telling them that the Road

Commission keeps the roads open very very well in the winter. Their son Michael and his wife Sheila are living in Traverse City. Their daughter Julie is in St. Claire Shores teaching in the High School.

Kids do grow up. So much so, the Griffiths have found, that you can or have to leave them behind on some trips. This year, Syd and Dorothy will be taking their every-other-year trip to Greenbrier, West Va., by themselves. Bob is in his Junior year in college, Jim in his Senior year in High School and Bev in her second year. There was one other trip that they took by themselves in September. This was out to Las Vegas for a medical meeting. But "after classes" they did drop into some of the gambling establishments. They watched the people at the tables, but they only put their money into the "one-armed bandits". As a result they saw a lot of strange things and people, had a real good time and only lost \$35.00 . . . and that's not bad. Syd has already begun to think and plan on racing this next summer. Lightnings - Sun Fish - Sail Fish - canoes - row boats RACE! RACE! RACE! Keep talking, Syd, this is a yacht club, you know and we need more sailing and sailors.

Dan and Eloise Bradley are enjoying themselves doing "nothing special". Of course, raking leaves, putting up storm windows, etc. is keeping Dan somewhat occupied right now. And did you sharpen your snow shovel, too, Dan?

Peg and Bob Morse took their grand-daughters, Stuart and Suzy Saxton, to New York and Washington last June. The girl's high point in New York was seeing "Hello Dolly" with Pearl Bailey. Next best were visits to the Statue of Liberty and the Empire State Building. In Washington they enjoyed most the visit to the White House, and Mount Vernon.

In October Peg joined a group who went to Washington for a tour of Art Museums. Bob took advantage of Peg's absence to do a week of train riding. He went from Chicago to San Francisco on the California Zephyr, to Los Angeles on the Coast Daylight, and returned to Chicago on the City of Los Angeles. These fine trains with dome cars may not be operating much longer.

The Morses plan to spend February and March at The Gulf and Bay Club in Sarasota, where Peg will continue her painting and Bob again will Bowl-on-the-Green.

(Quote from Ruth Craker's Omena column in the Leelanau Enterprise:)

"Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth (Ken & Irma) Hagemann left Thursday for California. They will make a cruise in the Pacific, en route to Japan. Later in the season they will return to California to spend the winter months." They should have quite some news to report to us for the Spring issue.

Jack and Ellie Stephenson and family wove up here for Thanksgiving and hope for New Year's. The added distance to their new home in Columbus, Ohio, doesn't seem to keep them from making week-end visits to Omena. They were here for a long week-end the middle of October. Several families, Grafts, Patterson, etc. have been up this Fall.

And now from our "mod" friends, the Stretch's, Marilee and Jack, down in New Orleans. Jack, among other things, has been named a consultant on a patient social rehabilitation project at Carville Louisiana. This is the only leprosarium in the United States. He is still continuing his work on the faculty of the School of Social Work at Tulane and their School of Public Health and Tropical Medicine. Marilee is still working as a media consultant for a project of the National Assoc. of Social Workers to try to bring the welfare grants for the aged, blind, disabled, etc. up to "realistic" and livable levels.

Marilee says all of the children are fine. Paul and Leonmarie are in scouting now. (Just what they are scouting for was not stated.) Adrienne is "at home" and Sylvan is, as far as she knows, a kindergarten veteran.

Leona and Bill Milroy have left for California to spend the winter out there where they have sun-shine and several grand-children.

More about Members

Since Labor Day the Finns, Marion and Crampton, spent a week in London (England, that is), rented a car for the next 2 weeks and toured some 2300 miles worth of England, Scotland and Wales and then came home to wait for Thanksgiving and Christmas and to rest up. Marion recommends the same kind of trip to all of us. "England is itself a fabulous museum . . . cathedrals and abbeys . . . unsurpassed . . . castles like Warwick, Harlech . . . maintained beautifully so that you can visualize their long ago days . . . have you ever tried their warm beer in the Pubs? (Crammy must have put that in) . . . feeling sporty? - then try 1000 miles or so on those English roads in a Morris Mini . . . it will cut you down to size as a driver . . . for sure. MERRY CHRISTMAS TO ALL !!!"

Emily and Thearl Smith are back down in Bradenton, Florida, for the winter months. Emily went on ahead to get things settled, while Thearl stopped along the way to visit friends and relatives, particularly a brother in Indiana. Besides her usual teaching course, Emily is the Chairman of the Penn Womens Art Show this year. She was greeted on her arrival in Florida with lovely weather, (75 to 80 every day) and the news that one of her paintings had been chosen to be sent to New York as part of a Florida exhibit.

"I can't read ordinary print. My girls write to me with heavy black pens with wide spacing. Trust you can read this" - says Margo Rule. Sure, I can read it, Margo . . . if I have my glasses on, that is. Margo is planning to go out to Eugene, Oregon, to spend the holidays and perhaps the month of January with her daughter, Marian Hessel, and her family. Say, now, that is just about the real home of the COHO salmon, isn't it? Added note on Landon Robinson is that July 1st is supposed to be retirement day followed by a trip back to Cincinnati and, maybe, a few days in Omena. Another daughter, Jonnie Hodgson, is back in Chappaqua, N.Y., and doing well working with her little group of retarded boys. Son-in-law, Wick Wickemyer, started off his retirement (he beat Landon by about a year) by breaking his hip. However, he is well on the way to mending and is looking forward to many, many years of enjoying himself . . . working at home.

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The Fred Gorham's have been up several times this Fall, both to check on the remodeling of their house, which they hope to have finished by next Spring, and to just plain enjoy the countryside and the peace and quiet. They arranged it so they were here for the week-ends with the really good weather.

Phyllis and Robert Schneebeck are "moving back to the big city" and after Nov. 29th their address will be 738 Hidden Glen Dr., Cincinnati, Ohio, 45230. Their summer-time address will again be Omena.

Agnes Barker writes that she and her mother, Mrs. C. F. (Penny) Heidrick have sold their home and are moving to an apartment. After Dec. 1st, their address will be as shown in this issue in the membership address listing.

The Wheelers, Ho and Flo, and the Foltz's, Mary and Ben, have been well occupied with dinner parties, guests, chores and all sorts of good works. Ben had the added unpleasant chore of removing too many dead elm trees from his back yard.

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Fred Weiss, Sr.

Our Club has lost a fellow member and our community, both local and resorter alike, has lost an energetic civic booster in the death of Fred Weiss, Sr. After several years of ill health, Fred died at the Leelanau Memorial Hospital in Northport, on Aug. 23, 1968.

Among the most lasting results of Fred's work as Chairman or committeeman are the fire house and fire engine in Omena, the erecting of the fire-lane signs along Omena Bay and the surfacing of the road from Omena to the Ray-Linn cottage. Fred never claimed that he did all of the work on these projects, but he was more than noticeable in the promoting and carrying out of the work on them. For the Club, the sidewalk clearance and repair, going from O.T.Y.C. out towards the Point, was a constant item with Fred.

Besides his widow, Mary, he is survived by, among other relatives, his two sons, John of South Bend, Indiana, and Robert of Cincinnati.

Mrs. Lou Bowen

Mrs. Lou (Ruth) Bowen of Stoney Point, Suttons Bay died October 12, 1968, at University Hospital, Ann Arbor.

She and Lou had been members of OTYC for several years and resigned this past year due to Ruth's ill health and their inability to participate in the Club activities.

She left a legacy of courage and wonderful spirit in spite of failing health and strength.

Surviving are her husband, Lou, who lives here and two sons, one in Maryland and one in Illinois and a daughter in New Jersey.

Funeral services were held at Grace Episcopal Church in Traverse City and burial at Oakwood Cemetery.

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Cash Balance October 31, 1967 \$4,180.36

Cash Receipts —

Membership Dues	\$1,782.50
Subscriptions, Breeze	187.00
Ads, Breeze	140.00
Dockage	236.00
Initiation and Tax	75.00
Souvenirs and Snack Bar	184.50
Parties and Dinners	445.07
Misc.	107.20

(Interest \$100.00 Ins. \$7.20)

Total Cash Receipts\$3,157.27

Cash Disbursements —

Telephone & Electricity	\$ 150.73
Postage & Stationery	21.00
Maintenance & Operation	1,583.65
Insurance	605.36
Real Estate Taxes	172.27
Bookkeeping Services	86.50
Yacht Club Dues	30.00
Breeze Printing	221.28
Souvenirs and Snack Bar	323.11
Parties and Dinners	353.21
Youth Program	75.00

Total Cash Disbursements\$3,622.11

Excess Disbursements over

Receipts	\$ 464.84
Cash in Checking Acc't	\$1,215.52
Certificates of Deposit at Interest	2,500.00

\$3,715.52

CASH BALANCE TOTAL —

October 31, 1968\$3,715.52

TREASURER'S REPORT IMPROVEMENT FUND

For Period Oct. 31, 1967 to Oct. 31, 1968
Cash Balance October 31, 1967\$ 947.99

Cash Receipts —

Interest on Certificates of Deposits	\$ 36.00
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TOTAL CASH RECEIPTS\$ 36.00

Cash Disbursements — NONE

Excess Receipts over

Disbursements	\$ 36.00
Cash Balance in Acc't	\$ 83.99
Cert. of Deposit at Interest	900.00

\$ 983.99

TOTAL CASH BALANCE —

October 31, 1968\$ 983.99

The above and attached statement was prepared from the books and records of the Omena-Traverse Yacht Club.

Prepared by:

Rosemary Moe, Bookkeeper

ORI: J. H. Ray, Jr.

CC: File copy

O.T.Y.C.

August 8, 1968

Minutes of Annual Meeting - August 8, 1968.

The 21st Annual Meeting of the OTYC was called to order by the Commodore, Dan Bradley. Thirty members registered for roll call.

It was moved by Sandy Buell and seconded by Ernest Clark that we dispense with the reading of the minutes of the last annual meeting. The motion was carried.

Commodore Bradley gave his report of the year's activities of the club and thanked all of those who had given of their vacation time to help with club projects. The entire report has been filed.

Mr. Morse then read the Treasurer's report. A detailed account has been placed on file.

Summary:

Cash on hand 8-8-68

Operating Fund - operating cash \$	724
Certificates of deposit	2,500
	\$3,224

OTYC Improvement Fund	
- operating cash	\$ 75
Certificates of deposit	900
	975

Total\$4,199

Committee Reports:

Membership: Bob Morse reported the following new members:

Mr. & Mrs. Edmund Coughlin of Cincinnati and 4 children.

Mr. & Mrs. Joe Buell of Gross Pointe and children.

Mr. & Mrs. William E. Flemming and 2 children.

and the following resignations:

Mr. & Mrs. Lewellyn Bowen

Eva Bauer

Kitty Smith

Abby Mockby

Mrs. William Rockwood, Jr.

There are 176 dues paying members which includes 73 families.

Harbors and Docks: Mr. Johanning gave the following report:

A debatable question this spring was a

concrete ramp to be built between the dock and the old crib for launching boats and a final opinion expressed was by the Dock Committee and officers of the OTYC that a strong portable type be used, made of wood due to annual damages to permanent structures as witness the dock spiling. The heavy wood is oil treated and the steel covering for traction was furnished by a Traverse City friend at a low price. The last section going into the water is removable to bring ashore during the winter. The entire ramp is 16' by 60'. One Monday in July, our Commodore, Dan Bradley, Vice-Commodore Harold Root, Active Dock Committee, Member, Ken Hageman, called and organized a work crew. Volunteering for the construction of the ramp were. Al Cherne, John Maher, Ron Rhoades, John Claycomb, John Smith, Dean Smith, Bob Newland, Bob Gregory, Fred Gorham, Doug Graf, Harold Root, Dan Bradley and Ken Hageman. These Helpers are to be commended for giving up a day of their vacation and we thank each one.

House Committee: Mr. Clark reported that there were 25 new aluminum screens. The bill for cleaning the club this year was \$64. A new towel rack was installed in the kitchen. He recommended that the openings in the eaves around the building be closed at a cost of about \$35 to \$40 to prevent wildlife from entering the club when not in use.

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Annual Meeting

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Peg Morse gave the following report on the July suppers:

Four suppers were held in July - July 10, 17, 24 and 31. The attendance varied from a high of 82 to a low of 58 at the last supper on July 31. This drop in attendance may be partly due to not enough food having been brought for those attending. We have continually told people that they should bring enough food for their family plus eight more people, but some people still do not bring that much. To make these suppers a success attending members must follow that formula.

For the first two suppers a charge of 25 cents was made with members bringing dessert. For the next two suppers the charge was 35 cents with the Club furnish-dessert. This resulted in sufficient food being brought but also a low attendance at the last supper, which was a surprise since those attending a previous supper voted by a big margin to handle the 35 cent charge and furnished dessert.

July 10, Mary Lou Root, Chairman, 65 attended. Profit \$9.73.

July 17, Ellie Stephenson, Chairman, 82 attended. Profit \$2.16

July 24, Helen Reed, Chairman, 81 attended. Profit .18

July 31, Blanche Moore, Chairman, 58 attended. Loss \$6.45

Total net profit for July was \$5.62 (turned over to Kay Groll, Chairman for August).

Kay Groll reported that 57 persons attended the first dinner in August.

Sailing & Racing Committee: Al Cherne reported that with several boats in for repairs the racing had been scimpy until the George Smith Memorial Race, however, we will have enough races to secure our charter. He also reported on the need for a Committee Boat and someone to set up the racing buoys.

Ruth Smiley reported a profit of \$6.00 from the sale of notepaper and cards. There are still notepaper and cards, lapel pins and 4 burgees available.

Johnnie Rule said that there is still a good supply of sweatshirts and jackets left.

Mr. Hagemann read the report of the Nominating Committee:

Commodore: Harold Root

Vice Commodore: Preston Smith

Rear Commodore: Al Cherne

Secretary: Ellie Stephenson

Assistant Secretary: Johnnie Hodgson

Treasurer: John Ray, Jr.

Assistant Treasurer: Bob Morse

Directors for a three year term: Ernest Clark, Norm Johanning.

There being no nominations from the floor, it was moved and seconded that the report of the nominating committee be accepted and the secretary be instructed to cast a unanimous ballot. The motion was carried.

Grounds & Breeze: Perc Smith reported that next year the dock will be painted.

Mr. Morse commended the editors and publishers for the delightful editions of the Breeze.

Mr. Bradley then turned the gavel over to Mr. Root, the incoming Commodore, who said that he would be looking forward to the job. A rising vote of thanks was given to Mr. and Mrs. Bradley.

There being no further business, it was moved and seconded that the meeting be adjourned. It was so adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,
Ellie Stephenson
Assistant Secretary

More About Members

Santa Claus or the Easter Bunny or Norman Morgan has put a furnace in Don Patterson's house, so he and his family are planning to be up here for Christmas. From what I hear, they will not be the only Cincinnati family up for the Holidays. Good! The more the merrier! This November, Ainee took a trip down through Woodville, Texas, to visit some old friends and then on to Moralia, Mexico, to see her brother, a St. Benedictine Priest, who is stationed there. Tina is still in school at Rollins College in the "sunny south" and Ellen is studying to be a dental technician in Cincinnati.

Well, which comes first, what Alis and Landon Robinson are doing now or what they are going to do? Hummmm, I guess I'll report it backwards. Next year Landon is expecting to become both a Lt. Colonel and Retired!! After that, Alis says she goes to work. Right now they are still stationed at Pope Air Force Base, where, among other things, Landon is busy developing a "low altitude parachute extraction system" which will allow one of those C-130 cargo planes (which is a big one, I might say) to fly along about fifteen feet off the ground at 100 MPH and drop (is that the right word?) a little package weighting some 35,000 pounds . . . that's about 18 tons. The question is always "will it all stay together?" and Landon says, "it usually does!". Logan (eldest son) is happy in his studies at Cornell, but, like many of us, wished that he had studied harder while in High School. This summer he will be working again with the Army Engineers. Alis is taking golf lessons so she'll be prepared for the week-ends when she doesn't have to work.

The two Vails, Herman and Mary Louise (Herman? Where's Dutch?) with Caroline and Ed Oberndorf have just returned from New York where they had a three day reunion with David Gleason and Mary Lou. They, the Gleasons, were on their way back to Quito, Ecuador, after a month of sightseeing in Europe — a trip made possible by an invitation to David (with round-trip ticket) from the airline Lufthansa to be its guest on an Inaugural Flight from Dusseldorf, Germany to Bucharest, Rumania! (Geeez, and I took a bus trip from Traverse City to Ludington and thought I was a Swell.) After a great time visiting Munich, Vienna, Rome, Milan, Madrid, Lisbon, Amsterdam and Copenhagen, our travellers agreed there is no place like the U.S.A. (Need I mention that David wasn't just given this trip, he earned it!). It is hoped that next summer, the Gleasons will be up to sample the charms of Omena . . . and really enjoy themselves.

Now it just so happens that this year your Editor took a vacation too. Three weeks this time and I needed every penny that I had saved . . . well, not quite, as you will see. The trip was from Omena to Montreal, Quebec City, Vermont and then straight south to Williamsburg, Va. The catch was that along the way I kept running into aunts and uncles and cousins. Oh, and a brother, too. The result was that about half of my vacation was spent eating at their tables and sleeping in their beds, so that I finally returned home with some money left over and eight pounds heavier! Stayed with one Aunt (Helen Reed) that I hadn't seen for three weeks and one cousin that I hadn't seen for 26 years! Vacations are nice, but relatives are better.

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