

Buried Treasure

by Pinkney Gage

Token of Ben Franklin Mistaken for Crockett

"Ever see one of these, Pink," said Tom, passing me what I at first took to be a dime.

It was made of silver. On one side was the head of Benjamin Franklin facing to the left. For a moment, I thought it was Davy Crockett because he was wearing a coonskin hat, but any confusion on that point was ended in reading the letters around the edge of the piece which spelled out the name of the famous Philadelphia.

On the other side were more letters crammed together. They read "B. Hooks, corner of Allen st., 276 Broome st."

I asked where Tom had got it. "It's Jimmie's," he said, nod-

ding towards his four-year-old son.

When I said that the piece certainly had some value, Tom called Jimmie in and questioned him. We were able to establish that a lady had given it to him but when it came to any possible identification of the lady, that was out.

But a few days later, Tom called me. He had checked up on the piece. It was a merchant's token, one put out in New York back before the Civil War, and was known in both copper and silver.

"A dealer will give me \$25 for it," he said, "but I'm going to keep it on the assumption that it'll be worth considerably more later on."

SHARP-EYED PERSON BUYS A CHINA DOLL

At times I think my niece Judith has just enough conscience to get by with. The other day was a case in point.

She came into my study walking on air as she does when she has acquired something out of the ordinary. Thinking that she had got hold of a bit of Ming, I was astounded to see her carrying a rather dowdy-looking doll, one with a cloth body and a china head.

"I got it for only a dollar," she said.

"Look here," she said, pulling the doll's dress down to expose part of its pinkish, china shoulder. "See. It says 'Patented Dec. 7/8'."

"This is a Dotter doll," she explained, "one of the few that

Except for its having a part octagonal barrel, it looked like some kind of specially designed rifle of modern make.

I lifted it off the stand and checked the action to be sure it was empty. Along the flat piece atop the barrel was the legend "Providence Tool Co., Providence, R. I.," engraved in a single line.

"It's a Peabody-Martini," Jack said, taking the gun and checking the action himself. "And very appropriately named the 'Kill Deer Model'."

He had just bought it for \$150 from one of his father's friends, he said.

What gave it the modern look was the fact it was hammerless. It was fired by a concealed, spiral-spring striker device. I sighted down the 28-inch barrel through the combination peep, open, globe and pinhead sights. It was a beautifully balanced weapon.

On the right side of the frame was the legend "Peabody and Martini Patents." On the other side, it said "Kill Deer." Stamped

on the breech were the words "45. Gov't."

"It's a 45/70," said Jack, handing me one of the shells. And it's big enough to kill an elephant."

I could believe it. The bullet, thrown by 70 grains of powder, was 405 grains, nearly two-and-a-half times the size of the one I was using in my .32 special.

"I felt kind of guilty about getting it," Jack went on. "Just a few days after I got it home, I showed it to a friend of mine who has quite a collection of rifles."

"After examining it, he offered me \$400. Said that this particular model, an 1881, was especially rare in good condition like this, and that he would like to have it."

"Well, under the circumstances, I called the man who sold it to me. And guess what he said. He just laughed and told me if I ever decided to sell, I ought to get considerably more than that for it."

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Britain On Verge Of New Oil Age, Chairman States

London.—(U.P.)—Britain is on the threshold of an "oil age" which will bring about another industrial revolution years before supplies of atomic energy become a major part of the power market, Sir Leonard Sinclair, chairman of Esso Petroleum, Ltd., said in an interview with United Press.

He said the recent agreement signed with the British Central Electric Authority whereby Venezuelan fuel oil will replace coal as the fuel for seven major power stations in Britain was an "important step" in that direction.

"British industry has been moving in this direction for some time," he added, "but this step is a giant stride. Our own plans and those of other oil companies to meet the expanding market for energy makes the outlines of the approaching oil age very clear, and it will be many more years before atomic power will change this."

The agreement between Esso and the Authority believed to be the largest consumer contract for oil ever signed, provides for the delivery of nearly 30,000,000 tons of fuel oil over a 10-year period at a price pegged to the price of coal.

"Our present and future sources of energy—coal, hydroelectricity, atomic power, and oil—are more supplementary than competitive," he said. "There is a steady increase in industrial production in Britain and a consequent increased need for power which coal is not meeting and which is much too near for atomic energy to meet."

"Last year, Britain's total energy consumption was equal to 250,000,000 tons of coal, of which coal actually provided about 86 per cent and petroleum 14 per cent. In 1964, energy consumption will be up to 295,000,000 tons, at least."

"Atomic power in 10 years' time will release the equivalent of about 5,000,000 tons. Even if coal production is increased, Britain will need about 280,000,000 more barrels of oil per year for industrial energy by 1964."

"This demand will be on the entire petroleum industry, and it will continue to increase in future years until atomic energy can make its proper contribution. But atomic energy will not replace oil and coal in the foreseeable future any more than oil will completely replace coal. It will supplement existing forms of power."

"The last industrial revolution was founded on coal, tomorrow's prosperity will depend largely on oil."

Pointers Given Over Bluegrass Growings

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They advise homeowners to cut the grass down to one-half inch. Plenty of water and fertilizer will help keep Merion growing fast. A deep soaking about once a week—depending on local soil types and weather conditions—should supply enough water.

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Bridgeowner Uses 'Cuffs' To Foil His Kidnappers

Des Moines, Ia.—(U.P.)—Gerald Terry heard fellow employees at the Aetna Life Insurance Co. plan to kidnap him after his marriage to Clara Pick to separate the two for some time.

So immediately after the wedding ceremony, Terry snapped a pair of handcuffs on himself and his bride and didn't unlock them until they were safely away from his friends.

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U. S. Geological Survey Releases Uranium Manual

Washington.—(U.P.)—The U. S. Geological Survey, ever mindful of the trials of uranium hunters, now has a booklet on how and where to find the atomic ore.

It is a vastly simplified description of a geological survey report entitled, "Search for Uranium in the United States."

A statement about the report said it reviews the most common uranium minerals and discusses "the most promising methods of prospecting for the metal, and the distribution of the deposits in various types of rocks in the U.S."

The geological survey's 64-page booklet, available at the government printing office here for 23 cents, was prepared by Dr. Vincent E. McKelvey, a government field geologist.

McKelvey pointed out that not only are more scientists associated with the search for uranium, but it has been more intensive than that made for any other metal in the nation's history.

Outlook Bright

He said the number of geologists employed by the government and industry in this work is equal to or larger than the total number engaged in the study of all other minerals put together, with the exception of oil.

"Despite the fact that many of the districts considered favorable for deposits of uranium have already been examined, the outlook for future discoveries is bright," McKelvey said, "particularly for uranium in sandstone and for vein deposits in the Rocky Mountain states."

Nearly all rocks formed by the solidification of molten matter contain traces of uranium, and the potential uranium tonnage in them is enormous, McKelvey said. But they cannot be considered of economic importance at this time.

Uranium-bearing sandstones and conglomerates, McKelvey added, "include the largest known uranium source in this country and the largest known in the world—the Colorado plateau and the Witwatersrand of South Africa."

Traffic Regulations Shown Much Better

Sacramento, Calif.—(U.P.)—A California highways magazine commented recently that traffic regulations have come a long way since the first horseless carriages spluttered and roared along U. S. streets and highways.

The magazine, California Highways and Public Works, said one Pennsylvania law at the turn of the century required motorists to send up signal rockets at night every mile of the way.

The car was then to wait until the road cleared. If a team of horses should approach, the motorist was obliged to pull off the road and cover his vehicle with a large canvas or painted cloth that would blend with the surrounding landscape.

And if the horses refused to pass, the driver had to take his vehicle apart piece by piece and hide the parts under the nearest bush.

In Cleveland, O., they passed another law to "curb the newfangled monster." This statute prohibited driving with someone on your lap.

In Green Bay, Wis., a fine of \$5 was levied for every drop of oil from cars found on the pavement.

In Memphis, Tenn., it was unlawful for any motorist to drive while he was asleep. In Utah, they passed a law that birds always have the right of way.

And there was the sheriff who posted the sign that read: "The speed limit is a secret this year. Motorists breaking it will be fined \$10."

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