



Valuable Currier, Ives Print Of Tom Thumb Sells for \$10

There were two Currier and Ives prints on the wall, one of General Washington priced at \$15, the other of General Tom Thumb priced at \$10.

Without a moment's hesitation Ted whipped out his billfold and produced a ten spot.

"The Tom Thumb print is sold," he said in a loud voice obviously directed at a woman bearing down on us from across the shop. He reached for the picture and thrust the bill at the clerk.

"And as for the General Washington one," said the lady, cutting across us to take up a position by the picture she wanted.

Ted smiled, dropped the print in his brief case and we left.

"And where is your patriotism?" I asked as we got outside.

"Not a good buy," Ted replied. "The read value there was this Tom Thumb. There are eight different prints of General Tom Thumb by Currier & Ives. More than the firm put out of General Washington. And the print for print they outsell those of the Father of the Country every time."

We entered a nearby coffee shop and sat down. Ted opened his briefcase.

"It's hard to say," he said, "whether P. T. Barnum made Tom Thumb or vice versa. In any case, Barnum had a series of failures up to the time he got hold of the wonderful dwarf and after that almost constant success. This print must have been made about 1848, since General Thumb—his real name was Charles Stratton—was born in 1837."

Ted handed me the print. It was about 9x12 inches and showing the dwarf standing beside a man of ordinary height. The caption said, in part: "Gen'l Tom Thumb... the wonderful dwarf is 11 years old, 22 inches high and weighs only 15 lbs." It was done in vignette, the sides of the print shading off over the border.

"I'm lucky to get this particular item at ten dollars," Ted said, putting it back in his brief case. "Its actual worth is forty dollars at least."

COSTA RICAN LOOKS TO U.S. FOR STAMPS

Charles, a stamp dealer friend of mine, shoved a letter across the desk.

"Can you beat that?" he asked. "Here's a native of Costa Rica, of the city of San Ramon, who wants to get a stamp commemorating the centenary of his home town. And he has to write to the States."

I read the letter. Don Gasper de Frenantene needed one stamp to complete his set of commemoratives issued in 1944. The black, ten-colones item. And if he bought it locally, he would have to pay through the nose. Would Senor Charles kindly advise him of what he would have to pay for both the used and the unused? He would consider it an inestimable favor, etc., etc.

I looked at Senor Charles.

"How come?" I asked. "Why would a Costa Rican look to you to supply native stamps that are in short supply in his own country? And why trouble over a modern issue?"

"The reason is a sound one and not so unusual as it first appears," said Senor Charles. "To be brief about it, he went on, 'most of the ten-colones denomination—roughly equivalent to five dollars in our money—were bought up by American speculators as they were issued. I was one of them, to the extent of getting two hundred of that particular stamp. Unused, of course, and about fifty used.'"

"But why," I demanded. "How did you know they would go up soon enough to make it profitable?"

Senor Charles looked at me. "We created a shortage. My colleague and I. By just holding that item off the market we drove the price up. The trick had whiskers on it when the first stock market came into being. And the stamp now catalogues at thirty dollars, used or unused."

"But I'm not going to be a hog. Don Gasper seems like a good fellow. So I'll let him have one of each for twenty dollars apiece. That way maybe he'll become a good customer."

PAMPHLETS BY DICKENS SOMETHING OF VALUE

If you ever come across a pamphlet by Charles Dickens, latch onto it, if it seems cheap. For very likely you'll be getting something of value.

An acquaintance of mine came across one not long ago while going through a run of 400 National Geographics he had purchased, along with an assortment of a somewhat larger number of old magazines, plus a scattering of pamphlets.

When he first looked at its wrapper, he was tempted to throw it away as not worth enough to bother with. The title of the work was "To Be Read At Dusk" and he knew that it had been first published in an annual known as "Keepsake."

"Consequently, the copy I had found was not a first edition, just a reprint," he said. "And I actually threw it on the floor. But then I took another look and got to thinking."

"After all, as it said on the cover beneath the byline of Charles Dickens, it had been printed in London in 1852. Well over a century ago, and maybe... just maybe..."

Anyway, he picked it up again, and some days later showed it to a friend who ran a second-hand bookstore. A real friend at that, one who told him straight out what the pamphlet was worth.

Its value was at least in excess of \$200, because the same pamphlet, when sold in 1931, had brought somewhat more. And allowing for the inevitable increasing scarcity, to say nothing of inflation which hits the book market as it does any other, it might now be worth double.

A letter to a small list of collectors of Dickensiana did the trick. The pamphlet brought a net of \$300 after the lucky finder had given a generous commission to the bookseller.

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JACKSONVILLE Dogs Must Be Confined

By MRS. C. S. HOSKINS
Jacksonville — According to Frank Carter Jacksonville Police Chief, all dog owners, as of April 1, 1957, must tie or pen up all dogs within the city limits or otherwise confine them from running at large.

Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Bright and three daughters and Mrs. Elizabeth Shockley all of Vancouver, Wash., were last week end guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Noah E. Shockley on Sterling road.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Curl and Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Serry spent a days visit and had dinner at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Zumwalt in Grant Pass.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Jordan of Central Point announced the birth of a daughter on March 24. The baby has been named Teri Rae. She has four grandparents and seven great-grandparents, all living. The grandparents in this area are Mr. and Mrs. Clinton Jordan of Jacksonville and Mr. and Mrs. George Van Galder of Central Point, now residing in Nevada.

Mark Smith Sr., son of Mrs. Pearl Whitney, recently suffered a heart attack and is in the Sacred Heart hospital. He is unable to receive visitors. His son Mark Smith Jr., of San Mateo, Calif., has been a visitor here at the home of his grandmother, Mrs. Whitney. Another grandson, Norman Suber, of the Alameda Air Force base, also visited in Jacksonville last week.

Ralph Lawrence is home from his stay in the hospital and is able to have visitors.

Mrs. Buddy Cleveland and son Ricky, of Klamath Falls, visited last week at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Rhoten and Aunt "Cappy" Pence.

The Rev. and Mrs. W. D. Turnbull attended a revival meeting in Oakland, Calif., this week.

The Women's Missionary Council of the Assembly of God church in Jacksonville held a meeting at the home of a member, Mrs. Mack Griffin, on Wednesday. Sixteen members were present. A short business session was held and then the ladies sewed on baby clothes and quilts and brought their own sack

Toastmaster Clubs Hold Sessions

John Austbo, Medford Toastmasters club, and Jack Price, Jackson Toastmasters club, were toastmasters at recent meetings held in the Medford and Jackson hotels.

Speakers at the Medford Toastmasters were Glenn Jennings, Dwight Wilson and Russ Mitchell.

Gene Ray, Duane Nelson, Jack Cummings, Bill Fredrick, Larry Horton, Harry Marshall, John Smith and Wayne Struble were among speakers at the Jackson Toastmasters.

Greece has little manufacturing. Agriculture is the important industry.

Booster club rummage sale to be held on April 12 to 13 at the Fehl building at 106 Ivy street in Medford. Proceeds are to be used to complete band and chorus uniforms. For pick-up of articles call Ruth Goldschmidt, 2-7704 Medford, Mrs. Jeanie Sutton on Washii Way or Mrs. Ross Crowley, 9-8320, or Mrs. W. McCormack, 9-8044.

Mrs. Bessie Mitchell, owner and operator of the Mitchell

Sanitarium in Jacksonville, announced this week that Alma Taylor, one of her nurses, has been awarded a gold pin for eight years of continuous service at the sanitarium, by the National Association of Nursing Awards in Washington, D.C. An average of about 20 such awards a year are given out in the United States and to be eligible to receive one is a real honor.

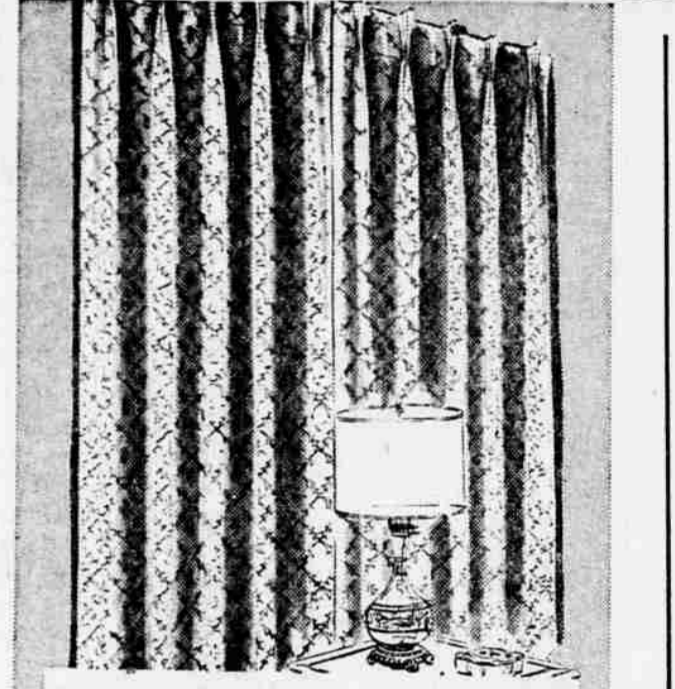
ter Doris have just returned from a trip to Seattle, Wash., where they visited relatives. Returning here with them for a visit are Mrs. Mitchell's two grandsons Steve and Dave Gleaves of Seattle.

A new patient at the sanitarium is George Pfeifer of Shady Cove, who, some 19 years ago, ran a grocery store in Jacksonville.

Also a patient at the sanitarium is Amy Dow long time resident here. Mrs. Emma Burge is home from her stay in the hospital and doing well. She is living in her new trailer house parked near her former home.

Mr. and Mrs. Mack Griffin and family made a trip to Weiser, Idaho, over last week end to visit Mrs. Griffin's father, E. E. Trimble. The Trimbles formerly owned the Fifth Street market in Jacksonville until about a year ago.

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Civil Service Job Openings Reported

The U.S. Civil Service commission has announced examinations for several government positions.

The jobs include airways operations specialist for duty in Alaska; commodity industry analyst for positions in Washington, D.C., and throughout the United States; staff nurse, head nurse and public health nurse for duty with the division of Indian health in states west of the Mississippi river and in Alaska; and equipment specialist in the Washington, D.C., area.

Further information and application blanks can be obtained from the U.S. Civil Service commission, Washington 25, D.C.

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