



HAPPILY RUBBING NOSES, Lieutenant Ralph W. Stephenson, son of Costa Mesa, Calif. newspaper publisher and Helen I. Paskaitis, Ashley, Pa. celebrate his graduation from U. S. Military Academy at West Point, N. Y. They then went to New York to be married. (International)

Buried Treasure

by Pinkney Gage

Dominican Stamps From Trujillo Era Unwanted

Mr. Romero was a jumpy, nervous type, but only gradually did I realize he thought himself a hunted man.

"Dominican Republic stamps," said Larry, the owner of the philatelic shop, in answer to Mr. Romero's question. "No, we're not interested in Dominican stamps unless it's something very old. The Trujillo issues are a drug on the market."

Mr. Romero smiled slightly and drew a small plastic envelope from a vest pocket.

"These are old," he said, "and I want to sell them—today."

From the envelope Larry removed five stamps with a pair of tweezers. They were narrow, magenta-colored ones of 1869 issue. Across the top was the word **CORREOS**. Across the bottom were the words **UN REAL**. Between were the arms of the flag of the republic. Two of them

were cancelled; the others were not.

"Very interesting," said Larry, studying each stamp intently through a jeweller's glass. "These are authentic, all right. How do you happen to have so many?"

Mr. Romero had a bitter look in his eye. "I had many other valuable stamps and things, but these are all I was able to bring with me when I left Santo Domingo."

"You mean Ciudad Trujillo," Larry said.

"I use the real name of our capital, not the Dictator's," Mr. Romero said. "Well, how much will you give me? I know they are catalogued at \$125, used or not."

Larry offered him \$250 and said he would send him more when he sold them. "Just call or write me when you're settled."

SCONCE FOR CANDLES HAS OWN REFLECTORS

Tom, a banker friend of mine, never seemed interested in much except finance, and so one day when I saw him carrying what looked like part of a headlight, I stopped him.

"It's a scone," he said. "A scone for two candles. Come on in and I'll show you how it works."

Well, it was a scone, all right. A scone is a plate or similar device which can be fixed to a wall and which holds candles.

But this was more than just a scone. It was also a reflector. The inside of the concave surface of the plate was studded with tiny oblongs of pewter and mirror glass, set alternately in widening concentric circles.

The over-all diameter of the scone's concave surface was a good eight inches. The bits of polished pewter and glass picked up the light and concentrated it, making it almost seem as if the light had been increased.

From the general appearance of the piece Tom felt that it had been made in colonial times. But as is usually the case, there was no mark whatever to indicate where, when or by whom.

He had bought it for \$7.50 in an antique shop. Nonetheless, when he came to dispose of his collection of scones three years later—having switched his interest to wooden bowls—he got \$60 for it. The buyer was positive it was late 18th century.

ONLY TWO OR THREE COPIES OF MORMON PAMPHLET

Jack had asked me to wait in the community room of the Mormon church while he talked with the bishop. So I strolled over to the bookcase along the wall.

There wasn't much to interest me there—tracts, a history of Utah, church literature. But presently I noticed a little pamphlet in brown wrappers and pulled it out.

I didn't really expect it to be anything exciting, of course. And it took a full minute of looking at the title page before my temperature started to rise. But when it got started, I had to sit down.

The title was "The Latter Day Saints' Emigrants' Guide: Being a Table of Distances . . . from Council Bluffs to the Valley of the Great Salt Lake."

It was printed by "W. Clayton, St. Louis, Mo. Republican Steam Power Press—Chamber & Knapp, 1848."

It wasn't a facsimile edition. You can always tell by the age of the paper. And even if old

paper has been used, you can tell by the sharpness of impression or lack of it.

I'll confess. It was a temptation to just drop the book into my pocket and say nothing about it. But I throttled it by letting out a yell.

Jack and the bishop appeared instantly. I showed the book at the bishop.

"That shouldn't be kept out here," I said, just as if I were one of the Apostles themselves. The bishop looked as if I must have gone off my rocker.

"It's worth \$1,000, at least," I said. "There are only two or three copies known."

"Hummmmm," said the bishop. "This has been around here for years, and nobody said anything about it being valuable before!"

The \$1,400 they eventually got for it from a private collector was the final conqueror. The money, by the way, was used in furthering the work of that church, and in a most effective manner.

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Annual Rooster Crow Scheduled Saturday

The Fifth National Rooster Crowing contest is scheduled for Saturday, June 15, at the Rogue River city park.

Entries may be made before 11 a.m. according to Betty Bamforth, secretary of the Rogue River Roosters, sponsors of the event. The crowing contest will start at noon.

Cash prizes totaling \$500 will be awarded. First prize will be \$250. Entertainment will include

music, games and an evening outdoor dance.

CASH IN POCKET

Siox Falls, S. D.—Robert Morris, 75, was brought to a hospital here from his Dell Rapids, S. D., home after it was discovered he was suffering from malnutrition. While going through his clothes, hospital attendants found \$2,260 in cash in his pockets.

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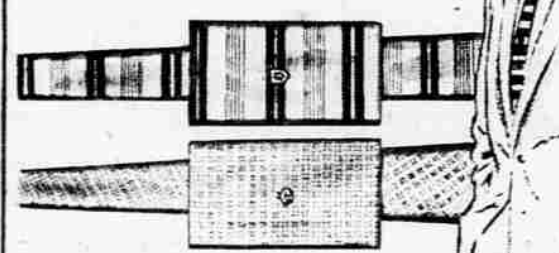
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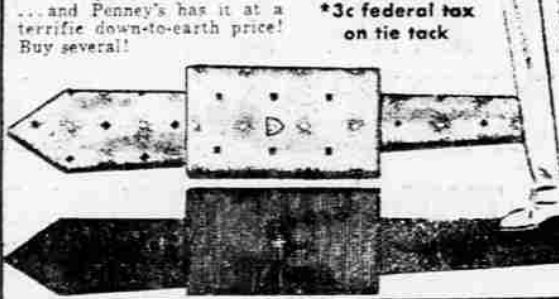


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