

Buried Treasure

by Pinkney Gage

Book Collectors Should Stop at Roadside Stands

A cardinal rule for the book collector should be never to pass up small country roadside stands where a few things are displayed for sale.

Recently a friend of mine in his fourth stop of the day was rewarded with a copy of Mark Twain's A Connecticut Yankee In King Arthur's Court. The book is by no means one of the most valuable from the collector's viewpoint, even though it ought to be, since it is one of the author's funniest. But it is valuable enough—so much so that its purchase by my friend Ted proved profitable for everyone involved.

The book was one of about 50 offered for sale and the only one of any value.

The owner had it marked at \$10 just because he felt it worth that much on account of the amusement it had given him. He felt he could afford to sell it

at that price since he had lately been given another copy.

Ted felt it was worth a gamble because the book was in such good shape that even if its date of 1889 was not correct for the first edition, he wouldn't be out very much on the purchase price.

The volume was bound in a green cloth that was only faintly discolored on the back cover. It was published by Charles L. Webster & Company, of New York.

When Ted looked it up a day or so later, he found that while there was some disagreement as to whether the British or American edition was published first—they were both issued in early December of 1889—the American edition has been selling for around \$40 in tip-top shape and with all of its 575 pages.

OLD SCRAP OF METAL IS REALLY BUTTON MACHINE

"I'm going into the button business—into the manufacturing end," said Tom. "In fact, I've already acquired my first machine."

In his hand was what looked like a piece of scrap iron. And it would have been scrap iron to anyone else. Indeed, as I realized a little later when he told me of the salvage shop where he had bought it, I had already seen it and rejected it just because it was scrap.

"This is an old-time button mold," Tom said. "Probably of about 1750; maybe earlier."

He pressed his thumbs down hard on what appeared to be a crack in the top of the iron. The crack widened as the upper half of the piece divided, like the arms of a compass, revealing the bottom half in which there were four cavities.

The cavities were of different sizes and shapes. One was broad as a silver dollar and about as

deep as the coin is thick. Another was much deeper with a convex bottom. The remaining two were far smaller in diameter and so deep as to be almost half round in shape.

As Tom swung the two arms together again, I noticed that each of them had their inner surfaces cut directly over the centers of the cavities. When the arms were closed there was a tiny aperture through which metal could be poured to fill the cavity beneath. By letting the metal run until the form was brim full the shanks of the buttons would be formed. The only further work needed would be polishing the buttons which could be done with a file.

By the time Tom had fitted the mold with wooden handles the mold itself would have been a good \$2. So far, he has turned out well over \$600 worth of pewter buttons which sold as authentic modern reproductions.

SOME 20TH CENTURY GLASS HAS GREAT VALUE

One of the more valuable types of American art glass is known under the name of Aurene and which is a product of the 20th Century, though long since discontinued.

It is said to have been invented by a worker at the Steuben Glass Works in New York—the same firm in effect, that today supplies some of the costliest and most beautiful pieces of art glass produced anywhere in the world.

Whether or not Aurene was invented by such a worker, there is no doubt that much of it is to be identified by the name of Steuben which can often be found cut into the glass on the bottom of a piece. Sometimes the identifying word is Aurene, and, if a person is very fortunate, there may even be a triangular shaped paper label found on the base as well.

The type of glass is often multi-colored with iridescent hues like those found in a peacock's feather, or the neck of a pigeon. Some of it has a metallic coating, also. For the most part, however—at least, from what I have seen of it—Aurene is generally of a golden color. Hence the name which comes from that of an ancient Roman coin of gold alloy, known as the aureus.

A piece of Aurene that a friend received as a wedding present back in the early 1920s is a typical example. It was a winged vase, about 20 inches high and of a rich golden color with a metallic coating.

Its shape was the essence of grace, but for some reason or other the piece had been so rarely used that it had never been washed enough to remove the label.

The value of such a piece today is difficult to compute, but certainly it could not be less than \$250!

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ILLINOIS VALLEY Lodge Activities Planned

By HELEN BOTTEL

Cave Junction — Plans for the coming season were made by the Guardian Council of Jobs Daughters Bethel 36 at a meeting held Thursday, Aug. 29, at the home of Guardian and Associate Guardian Fay and Homer Snider in Lone Mountain Valley.

Because of Monday's Labor Day Jubilee celebration, the Bethel will start its fall sessions one week late. First meeting is set for September 9 at 7:30 p.m. at the Masonic hall in Kerby.

At a special meeting on Tuesday, Sept. 24, Evelyn McGill, grand guardian, will make her inspection trip to the Bethel. A potluck dinner is planned at 6:30 p.m. to honor Mrs. McGill. Jobs Daughters and their parents and members of the Guardian Council are invited.

A guardian council school of instruction was announced for Sept. 21 at Medford. Several members of the local council and Bethel will attend.

Refreshments of cookies and coffee were served by Mrs. Snider.

Piano and organ students of Mrs. M. C. Beem presented their first recital Sunday, Aug. 29, at the Beem home in Kerby.

Parents and friends gathered to hear the well-executed numbers and later joined the children for refreshments of cookies, coffee and punch served by the hostess.

John Grubb, former principal at O'Brien school, has accepted a teaching contract to teach in the sixth grade in the Ashland school system.

Carl Jensen 11, son of Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Jensen of San Bruno, Calif., has come to O'Brien to spend the school year with Mr. and Mrs. Dave Wilson at Shadowcreek Lake.

Pvt. Clinton Eltherton arrived home from Fort Ord last week on the furlough which followed his basic training. He will return to Fort Ord as a typist-clerk around the middle of September.

Arrangements for the Lion's club float showing the various phases of the summer recreation program were made at the first fall meeting held Tuesday, Aug. 27, at the Todelope cafe. The Lion's club had charge of the Labor Day parade.

At a director's meeting which followed the dinner, Dave Wilson was accepted for re-election. Next meeting is set for Tuesday, Sept. 10 at the Todelope cafe.

Another outstanding float at the Labor Day parade was one planned by Mrs. Reuben Cook for the Illinois Valley Grange. On it was a huge thermometer showing progress made in collecting money for the special election to be called for an Illinois Valley Recreation district.

Mrs. Alice Hoffman spent the Labor Day week end at the home of her daughter and family, the Arthur Robinsons in Arcata. The Hoffmans moved here from the coast this summer to operate the Illinois Valley bakery.

Nearly a dozen men who are enrolled in the Civil Defense Rescue course met at the VFW field Wednesday night to study derrick erection, sling tying and practice ladder work with the Josephine county rescue truck.

Next lesson is scheduled for Sept. 18 at the Aerial Project.

State Senator Don Cameron was in the valley Monday to view the Labor Day parade. He and his wife were guests of his brother-in-law, John Valen.

The Women's Society of Christian Service meeting has been postponed until Monday, Sept. 16. Mrs. Al Boucher will be in charge of the program, which is to be held at Immanuel Methodist church.

The Rev. and Mrs. Robert Kingsbury attended an open house Wednesday night at the home of Dr. and Mrs. Robert Peterson in Grants Pass.

The reception was given for Mr. and Mrs. Kaz Kawata, missionaries who recently returned from India. Mr. and Mrs. Kingsbury knew the Kawatas when both attended college in Oregon.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Ott were home briefly this week from a trip to Oakland. They left for Bend and other northern points Wednesday.

Guests at the Harry O. Smith home over the week end were their daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Frances Potwin, and children, Eugene, five-year-old Sally Potwin stayed in the valley to spend a week with her grandparents.

Girl Scouts of all intermediate troops in the valley shared in planning and manning a fish pond and food booth at the Illinois Valley Jubilee. Each troop made around \$6 from their popcorn and candy sales, while the fish pond earned \$15 for the neighborhood fund.

Mrs. Harry O. Smith past state president of the Federation of Garden clubs, spoke on fall flowering bulbs at the Ashland Garden club meeting Friday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Hal Moore Sr. left Friday on a California vacation. After a short business trip to the southern part of the state, they will return to Point Richmond to visit Mr. and Mrs. John Moore, their son and daughter-in-law.

Jim Deaton, Richard Burnett and Dick Bukendahl are on furlough from Fort Ord, where they started their six months active duty in the Army Reserve this summer.

Deaton and Jerry Vandell, a former resident, must be in Fort Lewis, Wash., Sept. 13. Bukendahl and Burnett will return to Fort Ord.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Cherry and family arrived home Tuesday after a week end spent at Seattle at the home of Mrs. Cherry's sister and family, the Bruce Reeds.

Ron Cherry will leave soon for his first year at Oregon State college. He is to stay at the Phi Kappa Tau fraternity house during weeks starting Sept. 23.

Mike Piller, son of Mr. and Mrs. Casey Piller of Kerby, will attend the University of Oregon this year.

Don Rosenberg and his sons, Leland and Larry, camped at Trinidad Bay over the Labor Day holiday. Their luck at salmon fishing was not phenomenal, Don said.

Ricky, eight year old son of Mr. and Mrs. Don Brown, of Selma, is home from Sacred Heart hospital in Eugene following surgery on his neck, and a week spent in traction. His parents must take him back Friday for removal of the stitches.

An unusual display of antiques, needlework, carved wood, gourds, and apples, prized bottles and buttons collected from all over the world, is on display at the Illinois Valley Home Town Hardware window.

Loaned by Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Wilber, the exhibit attracted much attention during the Jubilee week end. Carving was done by Mr. Wilber who also has his pen and ink drawings on display. An intricate patchwork quilt and other handiwork was made by "Mother" Wilber. Bottles and buttons are from her extensive collection.

Mr. and Mrs. Luther Sherier Jr. and Mr. and Mrs. Lee Roberts spent the Labor Day week end in Klamath Falls, where they took part in the Hope Young Archery tournament.

Mr. and Mrs. Ken Hamilton and Dr. and Mrs. A. N. Collman spent a quiet Labor Day week end at the Hamilton's cabin at Galice.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Hamilton drove to Happy Camp Sunday for a holiday outing.

Guests at the Robert Wilson home in Kerby last week were Mr. and Mrs. Fred Stephens and son Wayne of Anaheim, Calif.

Spending the holidays with Mr. and Mrs. Ed George at O'Brien were their daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Bliss and baby of Brookings.

Mrs. George Cardinal fell in her yard Sunday, breaking both bones in her left leg, and spraining her ankle.

Oliver Wilson and Jean Beem, two talented Kerby youngsters, provided the Illinois Valley part of the entertainment at the Pomona Grange held Saturday night at the Grange hall in Bridgeview.

The two brought down the house in a comic skit titled "Cafe Scene," and Oliver presented a violin solo, accompanied by Mrs. M. C. Beem.

Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Slack entertained at open house on all three days of the Labor Day week end. Between 20 and 30 friends and relatives dropped in each day.

Disarmament Talk Future Clouded

London — The five-power Disarmament Conference broke up in stalemate Saturday with no agreement on where or when to meet again.

Russian determination to put off any more talks until after the fall U. N. General Assembly session forced the parity to break up in total disagreement. The West wanted a short recess until Oct. 1 or, at the latest, until the General Assembly has wound up its opening debate. Soviet Deputy Foreign Minister Valerian Zorin demanded a longer wait.

At a bitter session lasting nearly 2½ hours, Zorin and the delegates from the United States, Britain, France and Canada were unable to reach a compromise.

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Sunday, September 8, 1957

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The government said previously that loyal troops had recaptured the sugar port after a 10-hour flareup of violence in Cuba's slow motion revolt.

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Designed by M/Sgt. Russell Rankin and built by Clifton Reintzel of the Army's Service and Supply division, the x-ray steed is more luxuriously saddled than the mounts in western horse operas.

A lead shield is placed in the back of the saddle to protect the youngsters' pelvic organs, and an adaptation of a film holder is attached to the side to simplify taking lateral views of the chest.

Children gladly pose astride the non-galloping mount, an achievement with the squirmy-age group.

Col. Elmer Lodmell, chief of the hospital's radiological service, has given the steed his enthusiastic endorsement, and more models are to be constructed for use throughout the medical center.

London — Radio Peiping reported today that Chinese Communist Premier Chou En-lai told a group of American visitors visiting Red China he hoped "friendship" between China and the United States "will soon be established."