

## Today's Antique Dealers Sell Armor, Totem Poles

By GAY PAULEY  
New York - (UPI) - There's something new in the business of collecting the old.

Today's antiquers are concentrating on the "different" finds—from suits of armor to totem poles—which make better conversation pieces in the home than collections of old porcelain or glass, even if they are not as valuable.

Take time to browse New York's Second and Third avenues, where every other shop seems to deal in some phase of antiquity. It is amazing what has been emptied from attics to fill store windows.

### From Armor To Posters

There are those suits of armor, handed down from heaven-knows-whose militant ancestor; old diving helmets; gaming devices; cigar store Indians; weathervanes; coffee mills; churns; wooden well-buckets; bird houses whittled by some patient early settler; hunting decoys; whirligigs which once decorated fence posts; figureheads from old sailing vessels; shopkeepers' signs or plaques saying "Stage Coach Stops Here"; landscapes and portraits done by itinerant artists; the results now called "primitives," and even "wanted" posters from pre-FBI days offering \$50 reward for horse thieves dead or alive.

### For Fun, Not Investment

"People buy for fun, no longer for investment," said Henry Coger, a native of Jonesboro, Ark., who, with his partner, John Bihler, formerly of Chicago, runs a well-cluttered hangout for collectors of the unusual.

Coger figures there are three basic reasons for the changing taste of antique collectors. They no longer can afford the servants to help clean elegant collections of old glass, china and figurines; have no room to display such collections; and no longer are interested in gathering together the traditional.

"It's the desire to be different," said Coger, whose personal collection leans to Americana. "The same motivation started women on the wig fad."

Coger and Bihler do most of their antiques hunting at antique fairs—"the nation's antics long since have been emptied," said Coger. They will attend and exhibit at 25 to 30 shows a year, including the giant fair scheduled for the New York Coliseum March 7-15.

"There is a real shortage of antiques," said Coger, "and in all fields from fine old European furniture to early American cookie boards."

"It will only get worse. In our present world of mass production, there is so little made which can stand the test of time."

## PTA Plans Carnival

Oregon's Centennial year will provide the theme for the annual carnival of Lincoln Parent-Teacher association to be held Friday, February 27, at the school. This is the unit's fund-raising project for the year.

In keeping with the Centennial, derbies and top hats and old-fashioned bonnets will be on sale during the evening. The bonnets were made by PTA women.

Many games and other entertainment is being provided for both youngsters and adults, and prizes will be awarded for the most original Centennial costumes worn by boys and girls.

The doors will be open at 6:30 p.m. and the public is invited to attend. Refreshments will be on sale.

### Past Chiefs' Night To Be Celebrated

Past Chiefs' night will be held by Pocahontas lodge at a meeting Friday, February 27, at 8 p.m. in Redman hall on Apple street.

### Card Party

Roxy Ann Home Economics club will hold a card party Saturday, February 28, at 8 p.m. at Roxy Ann Grange hall.

## Players To Present Comedy

Ashland - "Bell, Book and Candle," a sophisticated comedy about a glamorous present-day witch who loses her magical powers when she falls in love, will be the next attraction at Southern Oregon college, where it will be presented by the SOC Players for three performances on March 5, 6 and 7.

George Bell, director, said that the play was a resounding success on Broadway, where it ran for 233 performances during the 1950-51 season with the celebrated husband and wife team of Rex Harrison and Lilli Palmer in the leading roles. It was written by John van Drusen, whose comedy hit, "The Voice of the Turtle," is one of the ten long-run Broadway champions of all time.

Unlike the sinister, haggish witches of Macbeth, the sorceress of "Bell, Book and Candle," is a young irresistible lady, living unsuspected among the residents of an apartment house in New York's fashionable Murray Hill district.

By means of a magic incantation that works in a few seconds, she makes a handsome, neighboring publisher fall in love with her and forget his fiancée. The publisher leaves her when he learns that she is a practicing witch, but eagerly returns when he finds that love has changed her into a normal person.

Ellen Frost, Ashland, will be seen as Gillian, the glamorous witch who reforms for the sake of love, and Mike Forbes, Medford, as Shep, the young publisher who is "spell-bound" by her kisses, will serve as the recipient of some modern-day witchcraft.

Cast as minor witches will be Colleen Lewis, Ashland, as Gillian's aunt, whose magic fails to work on street traffic, and Johnnie Johnson, Ashland, as a rascally brother-witch who delights in putting phones out of order. James Cunningham, Malin, will have a featured role as a whiskey-steeped mystery writer on the witches' trail.

About 60 per cent of American people have hospital and medical insurance.



A flight over the North Pole is not only exciting, but considerably confusing. Mrs. J. J. Swayne, who arrived in the valley several days ago from Munich, Germany, not only found herself eating breakfast at midnight and dinner in the middle of the morning, but traveled in darkness continuously for 18 hours.

Mrs. Swayne, in Central Point to visit her mother, Mrs. Elizabeth Scott, and other relatives, left Munich at 7:30 p.m. (European time) February 8, and was in San Francisco the next afternoon at 2 p.m. (Pacific Time). A stop was made in Frankfurt, where she boarded the TWA Constellation, and another in London where additional passengers embarked for the flight over the polar country. The plane continued on through darkness hour after hour until it began to catch up with the daylight over northern Canada.

The visitor, who described the entire trip as "marvellous" said "isn't it amazing that the plane can remain in the air for 22 hours without refueling?" Potpourri agreed. Indeed, so far as we are concerned, the entire idea of the Polar flight is amazing.

Mrs. Swayne said that when the passengers were settled at London for the long flight, they were advised to set their watches on San Francisco time, which most of them did. However, the plane's food schedules remain on European time. When Mrs. Swayne's watch said 5:30 a.m., the stewardess came around with what she called luncheon, and about 10 a.m. dinner was served.

"The food was good, and it was hot," the traveler reported. Since Mrs. Swayne had an "economy" or tourist ticket, she was prepared to have nothing but sandwiches served, having read that only the deluxe tickets rated complete meals. However, dinner consisted of soup, steak and dessert. Mrs. Swayne said that even after completion of the flight she was not sure of just what the difference is between the services or accommodations.

Mrs. Swayne said she was told that the planes make good time on the polar flights because they fly at about 18,000 feet above the earth and ride the smoother "jet streams" of air above, avoiding the turbulences which may occur below.

The visitor's husband is chief finance officer for the armed forces of Europe, and the two have lived in Munich for several months. When Potpourri inquired what the average German is thinking or saying about the latest East-West crisis as concerned Germany, she said Germans seem to be less upset than the people of the United States.

Mrs. Swayne said the last story she had read about the East-West situation before she left Germany had rated a couple of paragraphs on the back page of the newspaper she read. Arriving in San Francisco, she saw a copy of a SF paper with huge headlines about the "Berlin Crisis." Thinking that something had happened while she was en route to the United States, Mrs. S. hurriedly bought a paper only to find that there really wasn't anything new in the story. Checking with the operator of the news stand, she was told that similar headlines had been used in other papers of the day.

Mrs. S. said this emphasized what she often hears in Europe - that U. S. commentators, reporters and writers of national and international news are prone to overplay the news. "Stories on the front pages of American newspapers under big heads are inside with small heads in European newspapers," she said.

The visitor will remain in Medford until about the middle of March, when she will return to Munich, again going by the Polar route. The Swaynes, who have lived in various parts of the world in recent years, expect to be in Germany until the summer of 1960.

"I've made a kettle of soup," Pappy reported one evening when Potpourri phoned home before leaving the office. It was very good, so we inquired if he remembered what had gone into the making. Pappy, being a free lancer when it comes to cooking, sometimes isn't too sure afterwards just what has gone into the kettle.

"Well," he recalled, "I used some of those small onions, and when they were almost cooked I put in a can of consommé, some horseradish, some chopped rosemary (fresh out of the garden) and I guess that's about all. Except a little bit of clove. Oh yes, I threw in some whole wheat flour, too." So there you have it. A new recipe for onion soup. - O.S.

## Scouts To Visit Legislature

Girl Scout Troop 163, sponsored by the American Legion, is planning a trip to Salem in April to see state government in action in connection with earning their curved bar in citizenship badge. The troop, led by Mrs. Glen Bessonet, and Mrs. Robert Riechers, assistant leader, participated in the League of Women Voters' Candidates' Fair in November, and members have attended other meetings of the league, earning my government badge.

In December the girls gathered mistletoe and shipped it out of the state as a fund raising project to finance the trip to Salem. The girls also held a boy-girl Christmas party; they trimmed the tree in the main lobby of the Rogue Valley Memorial hospital, under the direction of Mrs. Ralph Pickell, and sent paper dolls to a Girl Guide troop in the Alberta Children's hospital at Calgary, Alberta, Canada. All the girls of the Guide Troop are resident patients in the hospital.

In January the troop earned the aviation badge, with John Childers, principal of Roosevelt school, acting as special consultant. Mr. Childers, a volunteer pilot for Mercy Flights, explained to the girls how Mercy Flights operates, how the planes are built and maintained, what makes a plane fly, and other things pertaining to aeronautics. He then tested the girls on what they had learned.

Besides touring the Mercy Flight planes, the girls were privileged to tour a Pacific Lines plane and also visited the weather bureau office and the airport.

To secure the support of the parents and to explain the purpose of the Salem trip, in February the girls held a joint meeting with parents at the Besonet home. Discussed was budget, uniforms, transportation and date of the trip, which will be April 23 to 25. The troop will stay at the Senator hotel, and will visit both the House and Senate, besides other points of interest.

February 21, the girls held a snow party, going to Crater Lake for the day. The troop is also planning an overnight camp out to complete their pioneer badge.

## Director Announced

Washington-Ephraim Roos Gomborg, an attorney of Pennsylvania, has been appointed director of the 1960 White House Conference on Children and Youth, Mrs. Katherine B. Oettinger, Chief of the Children's Bureau, announced today.

In announcing his appointment, Mrs. Oettinger called attention to Mr. Gomborg's broad experience in many different kinds of social action on a local, state and national basis. She pointed out that throughout his career he has been involved in community organization activities.

"We know that he will bring the same imagination and scope to this assignment that he already has amply demonstrated in his widely varied career."

Mr. Gomborg, in his capacity as White House Conference director, will carry out the directive of the President's National Committee for the 1960 White House Conference, of which Mrs. Rollin Brown, Los Angeles, is chairman.

Mr. Gomborg, who is also a former educator and newspaperman, most recently has been serving as a member of the board of directors and the executive board of the Pennsylvania Citizens Association for Health and Welfare. In this capacity, he was chairman of a committee on court and correctional services connected with the state's attack on juvenile delinquency and its attempts to strengthen correctional services for adults.

Mr. Gomborg began his active participation in social welfare as a newspaperman serving with the Duluth News Tribune, the Detroit Free Press and other papers.

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## Duplicate Club At Camp White Names Winners

Camp White - Twelve tables of players took part in the last session of Camp White Duplicate Bridge club.

North-south winners were headed by Mrs. Frank Baker and Eugene Ricker, who scored 156½ points. First place for east-west players was earned by Mrs. Paul Hutton and Rou Pruitt with a score of 158 points.

Other north-south winners were Mrs. Tom Randall and Arthur Scarseth, who tied with Mrs. Paul McDuffee and Mrs. Jack Mitchell for second and third, each pair scoring 153½ points. The George Rodas were fourth with 152 points.

Additional east-west winners were Jack Love and Paul McDuffee, second, 153; the Leland Clarks, third, 151½; Jack Mitchell and Mrs. Frank Perl, fourth, 149½ points.

North-south winners the previous week were Mrs. Mitchell and Mrs. Perl, first, 123½ points; George Polski and Don Beverman, second, 119½ points; Paul Hatton and Jack Love, third, 117½; Mrs. R. J. Conroy and Mrs. Ben Todd, fourth, 114½.

East-west winners for the session were Mrs. J. J. Dougherty and Walter Humes, first, 147 points; Mrs. Fred Purdin

## Juvenile Club

Royal Neighbor Juvenile club will meet Friday, February 27, at 4 p.m. in the front room of the Girls Community club for a business session.

## Calendar

Calendar notices and news for the society section of The Mail Tribune must be submitted in writing and deadline for the Sunday edition is 1 p.m. Friday. Deadline for the weekly calendar is 9 a.m. of the day for publication and for week day news is 5 p.m. the day before publication.

Thursday  
6:30 p.m.-Phoenix Thursday club, Fireside room, Phoenix Community club.  
6:30 p.m. - Zonta club, home of Mrs. Bonnie Wilson, Talent.

8 p.m. - Reames chapter, Order of the Eastern Star, Medford Masonic temple.  
8 p.m.-Writers' session, home of Mrs. John Kirby, 2581 Jacksonville highway.

Friday  
12 noon - Women's auxiliary, St. Mark's Episcopal church, at church.  
12:30 p.m.-Fifty Plus club, Episcopal Guild hall.  
1 p.m. - Electa Social club, Girls Community club.

and Tom Munds, second, 142½; Mrs. Randall and Walter Grow, third, 113½; Mrs. Don Root and Mrs. Sam Van Dyke, fourth, 112.

## Hostesses Give Bridal Shower

Trail-Mrs. David R. Bliss was honored at a bridal shower given February 21 at a Prospect by Mrs. William Hervey and Mrs. Everett Taylor. Games were played, and prizes awarded.

The gift table centerpiece was of pussywillows arranged with a Chinese miniature. Refreshments were served.

Guests included Mrs. Lee Maloy, Mrs. Mona Bishop, Mrs. Lester Setzer, Mrs. Margery Kelly, Mrs. Elmer Ogborn, Mrs. Johnston, Mrs. Richard Goodman, Mrs. Maurer, Mrs. Lena Robinson, Mrs. Blanche Millard, Mrs. Ivy Covington, Mrs. Isaac Rhodes, Mrs. Earl Bliss, Mrs. Ben Goodman, Mrs. Vivian Maloy, Mrs. Yvond Bliss, Mrs. Frank Dolenshek, and the honored guest.

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## High School Press Council Questioned About Kissing

By PATRICIA MCCORMACK  
United Press International  
New York - (UPI) - To kiss or not to kiss on a first date is a matter of "to each his own," according to members of New York's High School Press Council.

The upper-bracket students look a stand on kissing and dating habits after previewing "Crisis Over Kiss," an episode of the "Father Knows Best" show that television viewers will see next week.

The story deals with teenagers kissing on first dates, but the high school TV critics thought it idealistic, rather than realistic. The girl having the "kissing crisis" in the show had too much parental help in solving her problem, they pointed out.

**An Aesop Fable**  
One, Peter Marshall, 15, and a junior, described the episode as an "Aesop fable using human beings." Peter also said that "someone once said that TV is chewing gum for the eyes."

Peter's views on kissing: "Until you really get to know a girl well enough to really like her, I wouldn't kiss her. Each date should be natural. The feelings and date should not be forced social customs."

Barbara Schoenfeld, 16, and a senior, said if a boy does try to kiss a girl "a hint should stop him."

"If it doesn't," she said, "he's too aggressive."

Chic Goldsmid, president of the council, said: "Affections can be displayed in more ways than kissing. Understanding is of prime consideration all the time on dates."

**Up to the Girl**  
A student at Forest Hills High, 15-year-old Zita Zarkin, said that a lot is up to the girl, since a boy will be as aggressive on a first date as the girl will let him.

Some of the girls, by the way, had the old Victorian idea of keeping a man-or-boy guessing.

"To go out on a date with a boy, I must like him," said Mary Basta, "and enjoy being with him."

"If he feels the same, and wants to kiss me and I want to also, I would. By doing this, a girl does not lose a boy's respect if the relationship is a rich one."

"If a girl draws the line or wears a hands-off sign, a boy should respect it and not try anything."

Carol Gorin said a girl definitely shouldn't kiss a boy on the first date unless she knew him a long time before the date.

**Boys Disagree**  
Herb Roth, of Forest Hills High, said if the girl likes the boy or if she's had an enjoyable evening, "I don't see any reason why she shouldn't kiss him" on the first date.

He also said that on the first date a boy shouldn't be too aggressive, but "should still try."

Vic Wheeler said all boys will attempt to kiss on the first date and that it would be frustrating if the girl didn't respond.

"A boy should be polite, however," he said, adding: "But he shouldn't hide his affections."

Matt Mallon said: "According to common social practice the boy is supposed to be the aggressive one of the pair and I believe that he should make an attempt to kiss the girl and see how she reacts."

**How to Store Walnuts**  
New York - (UPI) - Shelled walnut meats will keep well at room temperature for about six weeks to two months, but are likely to turn rancid after that.

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