

## Buried Treasure

by Pinkney Gage



## Striped Candy Cane Glass Provides Charm

Glass that is striped so as to give a candy cane appearance doesn't seem very appealing—and so isn't to many people. But even though it is low in beauty for most, it is high in value for some. At least, that is the way it is with some of this striped glass.

Especially with any of that which may have been made by the famous Nicholas Lutz who came to this country about a century ago after having mastered the art of glass-making in France.

Lutz, well-known for the beauty and quality of his paperweights, worked for the famous Boston and Sandwich Glass company during a period of nearly two decades extending into the late 1880s. He was responsible for much of the fine work turned out by the firm during that period as well as the striped glass.

Why striped glass became so popular is difficult to say. Maybe, through its resemblance to candy canes, it had a sentimental appeal, reminding people of Christmas. In

### BANKNOTES COMMEMORATED FORMER PRESIDENTS

Among the more valuable issues of American paper money is a series of bills that were put out in 1896, shortly before the War with Spain.

I came across one of them recently. It was a \$1 silver certificate that had been saved for the simple reason that it was the first dollar taken in by the owner of a store when he opened it shortly after his return from active service in Cuba. Like many a businessman of more recent vintage, he had it framed and hanging on the wall behind the counter.

The series is known to collectors as being made up of "educational" notes. The reason is that each of the bills commemorates some aspect of education. The \$1 bill has an ornate design on the obverse side showing a classic figure of history instructing a boy in the virtues of the Constitution. In the background is the shaft of the Washington monument. Around the border is a series of wreaths, each one containing the name of some famous American, especially those of the earlier Presidents.

On the reverse, are two portraits both in ovals. One is of George Washington, the other of his wife, Martha.

### FRANKLIN'S PRINTED WORKS ALL-TIME BEST SELLER

A copy of the first edition of "The Private Life of Benjamin Franklin Written by Himself, etc." is mighty unusual to find in good condition, and one reason is that in many ways it is the most unusual book ever written in the English language.

For example, with the single exception of the Bible, it is believed to have been translated into more languages than any other work—though it may be tied with another of his works, "Poor Richard Improved: Being An Almanack" in popularity.

In addition, it has proved so consistently popular that it has been reprinted more than the works of any of the famous novelists in English, including both Dickens and Thackeray.

Why it is so popular is that its author was unquestionably one of the greatest that ever lived. In the aggregate, he wrote very little. Except for his autobiography and a large amount of letters, few of which exceed two pages in

length, his literary output was severely limited. In short, he appears to have done his best to personify quality rather than quantity.

Regarding how much one would get for a copy of the first edition of his autobiography, one that I saw a few years ago, dog-eared as it was and with several pages missing, brought \$125.

Even a copy of the first English edition, published in London in 1793, and rebound with the new binding badly worn, was still most decidedly a collector's item. Within a week after it was offered for sale it brought \$45.

Under the best of conditions, however, this most important of Franklin's works would not command so much as some of the copies of his Almanack, written under the pseudonym of Richard Saunders. Some of those little books, brought out over a period of 26 years, bring a price of \$880 to \$1,000.

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## Clinic Moves to New Office Space

The Southern Oregon Child Guidance Clinic moved into new quarters on the third floor of the county court house annex Saturday. Dr. A. Erin Merkel, county health officer and administrator of the clinic, said the new quarters include office space and consultation rooms.

The clinic has held office space in the Levereite building for the past six years.

According to Thomas Goff, clinic psychiatric social worker, the clinic case load has increased greatly during the year. However, new cases were accepted for diagnosis and treatment with but one or two weeks waiting period, he said.

The total number of interviews with children increased from 183 to 282. Interviews with parents increased from 292 to 514. Case referrals to the clinic were: Medford 65, Ashland 29, Central Point 15, Phoenix 5, Jacksonville 2, Eagle Point 2, Talent, Rogue River and Gold Hill 1 each.

In addition to Dr. Merkel and Goff, the clinic staff includes Dr. Harry Danielson, psychiatrist, and Dr. Edward Scott, psychologist, on a part time basis. Mrs. Eugene Donahoe is the clinic secretary.

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## GRANGE NEWS

**Eagle Point Grange**  
The Eagle Point Grange goal of 15,000 trees distributed throughout the area has been surpassed, and a total of 25,000 trees has been reached.

C. C. Hoover, chairman of the Community Service Committee for 1959, announced recently that county Granges, county 4-H clubs, the veterans' domiciliary at Camp White, and many individuals from Shady Cove to Vilas rd. north of Medford have received trees of several varieties through the Eagle Point Grange.

Hoover added that local groups of Girl Scouts, Boy Scouts, and Campfire Girls, under the supervision of the Eagle Point Grange, have participated in tree-planting programs at local lakes and creeks, with trees provided by the Grange.

Approximately 2,500 trees have been distributed by members of the Community Service committee, including Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Hoover, Mrs. Robert Bitterling, Mrs. Robert Meyer, and W. E. Davis, to persons attending the Midway Auction.

A truck filled with elms, locusts, mulberry, olive, cedar, redwood, and willow trees was parked in the auction yard; following an announcement by William (Bill) Bray, many persons took advantage of the opportunity to procure trees of their choice through the courtesy of the Eagle Point Grange. Youngest person present to receive a tree was two-week old Johnathan Halousek, whose mother accepted a redwood tree to plant in his name.

**Roxy Ann Grange**  
Roxy Ann Grange met April 17, with 167 members and guests present for the Pomona visitation.

The following masters were escorted to the master's station: Lyle Van Gordon, Josephine County Pomona master; Ed Hirsch, master of North Pacific Grange; Robert Bitterling, Jackson County Pomona master; Mrs. Kathleen Scovell, master of Upper Applegate; Ed Houston, master of Shady Cove Grange; Charles Johnson, master of Phoenix Grange; Herman Kamping, master of Griffin Creek Grange; Earl Deen, master of Butte Falls; Carl Christenson, master of Live Oak; and Benton Boyce, master of Central Point Grange.

There were also guests from Sams Valley, Gold Hill, and Upper Rogue Granges.

A program was presented by Lecturer Mrs. Wilma Van Gordon, which included several accordion numbers by Caesar Muzzioli, two skits, several songs by Mrs. James Reddington, an article on safety by Mrs. Madge Nowlin, and a reading by Mrs. Carl Quackenbush.

Robert Bitterling announced the next visitation would be at Upper Applegate on May 8, and the next Pomona meeting at Gold Hill on April 25. Mrs. Scovell announced a ham dinner at Upper Applegate on Mothers Day, May 10, from 12:30 to 4 p.m.

It was announced that Phoenix would exemplify the first and second degrees on April 28. Roxy Ann will put on the third and fourth degree on May 1. Any Grange having candidates is welcome to attend.

Those serving for the evening were the Roy Rushtons, Gene Camerons, Bruce Mofats, and Clarence Pfisters. The men of the Grange will serve at the May 1 meeting.

**Griffin Creek**  
The Griffin Creek Grange met April 23 with all officers present. A short business meeting was held, followed by a social meeting.

Earl Craft of the agricultural committee read an article pertaining to prices on commodities and stated that prices were somewhat lower. Jack Bierma discussed changes in buying and selling typewriters, and Mrs. Pearl Farnsworth, speaking on education, told of the part teachers had to assume not too many years ago.

Mrs. Farnsworth also reminded Grange members to observe all fire prevention rules. Master Herman Kamping, speaking as insurance agent, discussed the value of keeping weeds down and fire insurance up.

John and William Darby repaired the porch and put in new steps. May 8 was announced as the date of the visitation at the Upper Applegate Grange.

**HEC Chairman Mrs. Rou LeVander** reported that the club will hold a baked foods sale May 2 with Mrs. Willard Farnsworth and Mrs. Virgil Wilkes in charge. The HEC staged a program of songs and skits. Baked foods were displayed and later used for refreshments.

**Clarence Davies**, legislative chairman, reported that the legislature, in seeking means to raise funds between now and 1960, is considering certain adjustments in income tax.

Birthdays celebrated were those of Mrs. Otis Jones, Mrs.

## Scientist, Inventor To Speak at College

Ashland—Dr. I. M. Levitt, nationally known scientist and director of Philadelphia's Fels Planetarium who speaks here Wednesday, April 29, at 10 a.m. for faculty and students, is an inventor as well as one of the country's highly respected astronomers.

Among his more recent inventions is the Hamilton space clock, which he developed especially to aid in charting journeys into space. The world's first inter-planetary timepiece, it is designed to show the comparative passage of time by the day, hour, month and year on earth and on planets in outer space.

Another of Dr. Levitt's inventions is the Pulse Counting Photoelectric Photometer which was one of two articles on electronics to win a place in the 1948 Encyclopedia Britannica Year Book.

An authority on space travel, Dr. Levitt had urged many years ago that the U.S. take the lead in launching a manned device into space before Russia did so "with its tremendous psychological repercussion throughout the entire world."

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## 4-H Club News

**Howard 4-H Bake n' Stitches, No. 1**  
An April sewing meeting was held recently when members started work on needle cases.

During the business meeting Sally Eaton was elected president and Vicky Sokal vice president.

Joyce Drennen, Reporter

About 90 seconds before a missile is scheduled to be launched from Cape Canaveral, Fla., an automatic sequencer is set off and the rocket is fired without any further human assistance.

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## "My 1959 Chevrolet Averaged 22.6 miles per gal. on a trip to San Francisco"

SAYS RICHARD HANDBURY, ROGUE RIVER



In November we purchased our new 1959 Chevrolet from Courtesy Chevrolet in Medford. Since we were interested in economy, we bought a 2-door Biscayne with the 6-cylinder motor. We did not get the Overdrive.

Over Thanksgiving week-end we drove to San Francisco. At the time we left home we had less than 400 miles on the car. Since we had heard tales about what gas-hogs the new cars were turning into, we kept a careful check on mileage and gas consumption. For the entire trip our mileage averaged 22.6 miles per gallon. During this trip, approximately 200 miles were driven in city traffic.

Incidentally, the "Payload" both ways consisted of 4 adults and 2 children. The average speed on the open highway was about 65 MPH.

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