



HUNDREDS OF PEOPLE pass by the window pictured above each day. Many of them glance at the collection of antiques inside, but few realize that most of these articles have watched life pass by for over 100 years. Standing before the old pieces, partly shown, is Hal Cline, owner of the collection. The items came West by covered wagon 109 years ago and were given to the local man by his parents. There is an interesting story behind each antique. — Photo by Ellis

Barber Displays Antiques In Window Of KF Shop

By RONNIE OWENS

Bumping over rocky knolls, crashing against one another through whirling rivers, sliding helter skelter while slipping down perpendicular mountains, but still in practically perfect condition is a fabulous collection of antiques which crossed the plains to Oregon by covered wagon 109 years ago.

In 1848 a man and woman, their 2-year-old son and several relatives left Indiana with the Mitchell Wagon Train for Oregon. For two years they traveled and carefully carried their priceless household articles with them.

Many of the original items never completed the trip. They had to be abandoned along the trail, leaving them to be deteriorated into dust or to be burned by the marauding bands of Indians.

After finally reaching Silverton and settling down, the remaining possessions were preserved and years later passed on to the son and his wife. They in turn passed them to their son and daughters.

Today, pictured with this valuable gift given him by his parents is Hal Cline, local barber. He displays a few of the antiques in a window in the Town and Country Shopping Center.

Each piece Cline owns has its own special story.

Most of the articles are over 100 years old and range from marble-topped furniture to a "crazy quilt" which his grandmother handmade in 1830.

He also has his father's dental

chair which he used when he became the second licensed dentist in the state of Oregon, and a ledger book possessed by his step-uncle who ran a general merchandise store from 1830 to 1839.

Prices at that time, as recorded, were tobacco, 25 cents a pound; whiskey, six cents a drink or 25 cents a quart; a pair of trousers, \$5; board for one day, 25 cents and one meal, 12 and one-half cents.

Other items included in the century-old assortment are early cooking utensils and even chains from the original ox-drawn wagon. Also there is a trunk which was made before 1800.

Pictured above in the window are a few more of the collector's heirlooms. Directly behind him is the handmade "crazy quilt" previously mentioned. Below it is a cup which was made in Bavaria in 1794. It has a devil on the handle.

The hanging glassware is a product of the famous Steubenville Glass and dates from 1790. Below it is a gravy boat which came from his grandmother's wedding set. The large milk pitcher to the left

is also from her set and is ironstone china from England. It was made about 1800.

At the bottom of the window are several dishes which came from New York. Their colors are reproduced from gold and silver and are thus called lustre ware.

The largest dish at the bottom, left, is a carved marble holy water fountain which came from the Corbett Estate in Portland. It originally was shipped from Italy around the Horn. One other marble object is the vase at the far right bottom. It was part of the Tilton Estate in Portland and was carved before 1850.

The hanging silver pieces were all made about 1800. The pearl handled silverware dates from 1750.

Though Cline has more than 100 antiques, he can show but a few of them. He hopes someday in the near future to start a museum for the public.

In recalling his family's rich history, Cline said that one incident in particular stands out in his

mind. When his grandfather was 3 years old he was stolen by Indians in New York state. He lived with them until he was 19 years old. At that time he was bought by an English sea captain who reared him.

To sum up the reason for his gathering and preserving the antiques, Cline stated that "the people who settled the West had a great deal of fortitude, and their endeavors have had an effect upon individuals' personalities and upon the world. For the present generation to see these living mementos to the past is to give them a taste of the things that people

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Farmer Adjusts In Land 'Down Under'

ADELAIDE, Australia (AP) — Five days a week a bespectacled American, slightly balding, leaves his house in the Kircaldy suburb of Adelaide, gets to work at 8:30 a.m. and leaves at 5 p.m. For his work as a clerk he is paid 16 Australian pounds—the equivalent of \$36 — each week.

The clerk is Stanley Yankus, 40, who sold his Dowagiac, Mich., farm for \$30,000 and came to Australia.

The U.S. government had fined Yankus \$5,072 for planting 35 acres of wheat on his farm instead of the 15 acres he was allowed under his acreage allotment.

Yankus, who fed the extra wheat to his chickens, contended it was wrong to prevent a man from earning his living, and in violation of the Constitution of the United States. He quit the country last May.

Now, with Mrs. Yankus, Russell 15, Dennis, 12, and Karen, 3, he is in Adelaide. He works as a clerk in the suburban factory of Pope Products Ltd. The firm makes television sets, motorized lawn mowers, household appliances and garden tools. Yankus says he knows it is not a highly paid job. "But it's legitimate, honest and it is a beginning," he adds.

He has a desk in a small office in one of the sprawling factory buildings.

"I don't feel in the least hurt that I'm starting where I am," he said. "I work in the purchasing department. It is nothing complicated. No skill, but accuracy, is required."

"It gives a chance to begin slowly in Australia. But I've been given to understand that there may be some more interesting work for me later in the air-conditioning section."

Yankus turned down offers to manage chicken farms, as well as a host of jobs as a salesman. His plans for the future?

"I like this job," he said. "I am starting at the bottom. I hope to climb up to the top. If I am given the opportunity to show my ability, then I feel my prospects of staying permanently with this firm are bright."

The first few weeks in the job produced some minor complications for a man used to the American way of weighing materials and writing receipts.

Sleeping Thief To Stand Trial

NORTH BERGEN, N.J. (AP)—Wayne Smith, 25, must show up in municipal court today because he was caught sleeping on the job.

John Riechert said he came home to his second floor apartment Tuesday and found Smith sleeping on his bed.

Police said Smith told them he had climbed a fire escape and entered the apartment to rob it, but lay down on the bed to rest and fell asleep.

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