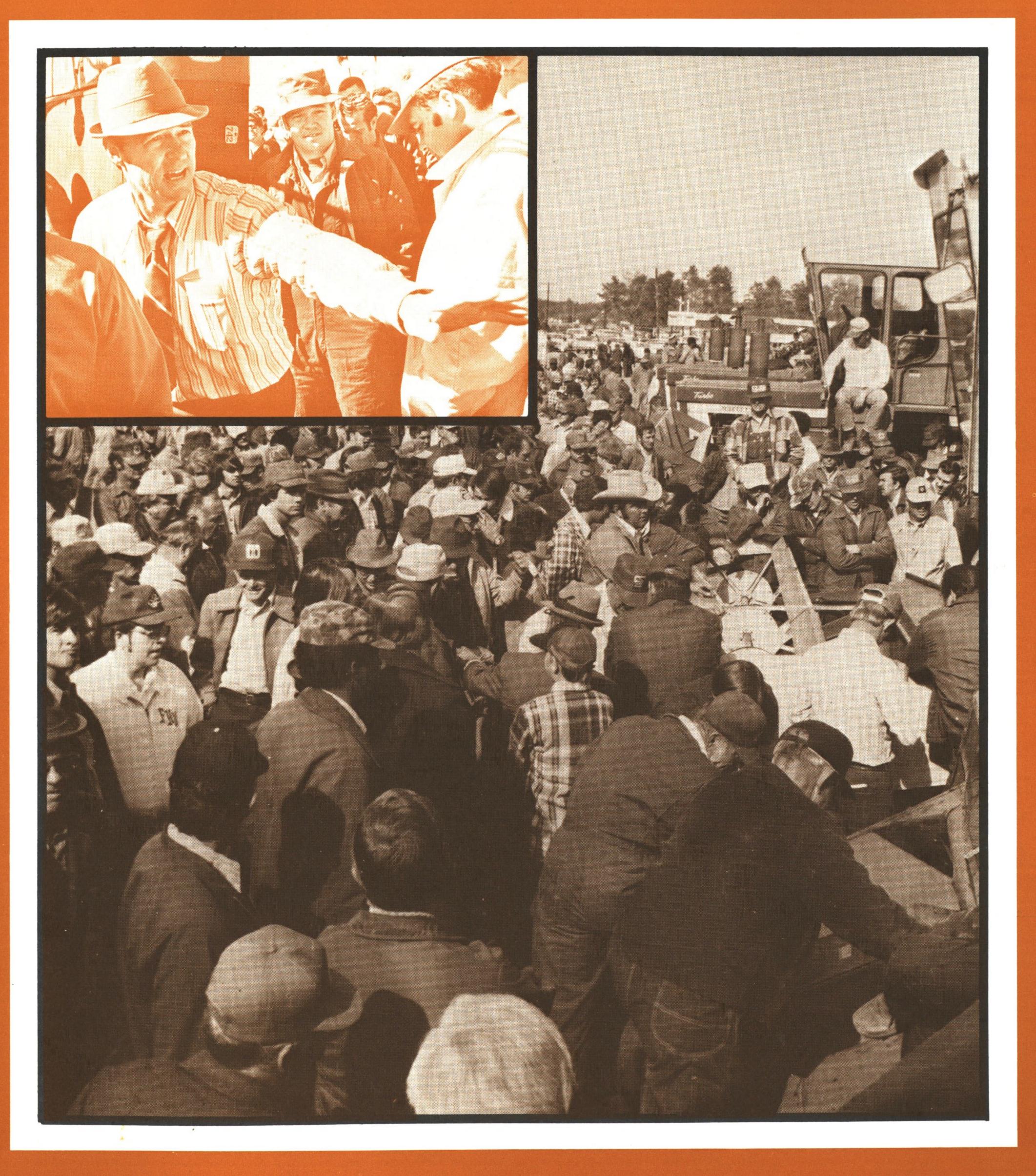
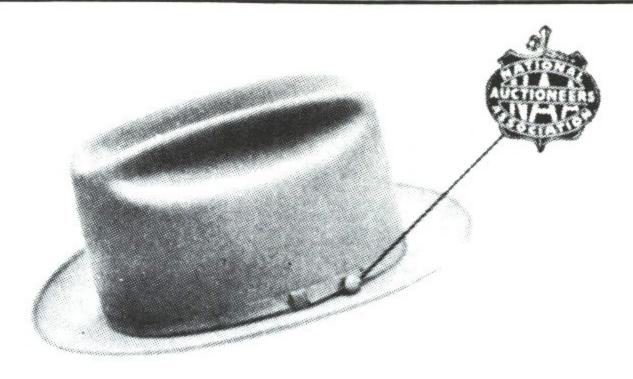


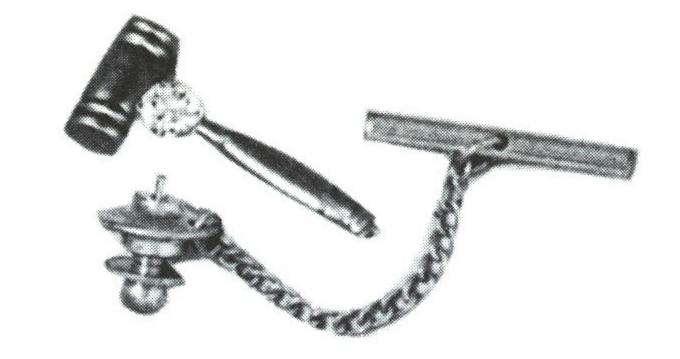
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Interest high, bidding spirited at South Carolina farm auction.

See story on page 5.





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eight months ago. I know I have more space than I did have under the old format but you can see what it is doing. The postal rates and united parcel rates are up and while many of you will say, "This is your problem", I have two choices — either get out of the business or go up on the price of the merchandise.

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The Year Has A Busy Beginning . . .

President Erickson's New Year Begins With Traveling and 25 Auction Sales

Six weeks have already passed since our National Convention in St. Louis. It was an extremely memorable affair for Irene and I as I am sure it was for our immediate Past President Terry and Pat Dunning. The closing banquet was one of the nicest I have ever attended so I say "A special thanks" to the Co-Chairmen, Willard and Avis Arnaman and Ken and Marian Barnicle, of the convention. A special thanks to Harvey and Linda McCray for their arrangements and seating of this gala affair, and to the Missouri Association and all who had a part in it.

Irene and I express our thanks to everyone who have offered their congratulations both personal and written.

The past six weeks have been very busy with letter writing, telephone conversations, travel and conducting 25 auction sales since the convention. I have made a visit to our National Headquarters in Lincoln, Nebraska, where everything is going real well. They are very busy, but then that's the way we want them to be.

On September 10-11-12, Harvey McCray and I met in Seattle, Washington, where we spent considerable time with the personnel of the Olympic Hotel arranging for necessary rooms and even to the extent of making arrangements for the head tables. On Sunday, September 12, we met with the Washington Auctioneers Association. They have great plans for you to have an enjoyable time at the 1978 NAA Convention. This is beautiful country so be sure your convention plans include extra days to see it.

We spent Saturday evening at Robert Losey's Auction Barn. This was interesting and very enjoyable. Bob Losey, Chairman for the NAA Convention and his wife, Winona, are hard-working people and are dedicated to producing the

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Irene and I look forward to seeing many of you in the weeks and months ahead.

Lyle Erickson, President

FBI Issues Memo On Wanted Fugitive Who May Contact Auctioneers

Col. Robert Chaffee of Monson, Massachusetts received a memorandum from Clarence M. Kelley, Director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation. The memo is as follows:

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

The FBI is conducting an investigation to locate Bernard Charles Welch, Jr., who is being sought for unlawful interstate flight to avoid confinement for the crimes of burglary and grand larcency. Welch escaped from the New York State Penal System on September 2, 1974, and, allegedly while in escape status, has been involved in the theft and sale of considerable silverware, coins and antiques. In this regard, Welch reportedly has contacted auctioneers, antique dealers and numismatic exchanges in an effort to sell some of the stolen property. He is described as follows:

Race: White; Sex: Male; Date of Birth: April 28, 1940; Place of Birth: Rochester, New York; Height: 6'; Weight: 170 pounds; Hair: Brown; Eyes: Hazel; Occupation: Plumber; Social Security Number Used: 054-32-3781.

If you have any information which might be of assistance in locating this individual, immediately contact the nearest office of the FBI, the telephone number of which can be found on the first page of your telephone directory.

Your attention is directed to the fact that Welch is considered armed and dangerous. No action should be taken which would endanger anyone's safety. Your cooperation is deeply appreciated.

Very truly yours, Clarence M. Kelley, Director

Fun Auction Results Increase Thanks to Massachusetts \$100

The members of the Massachusetts State Auctioneers Association voted to add a \$100 cash contribution to the 1976 St. Louis "Auctioneers in Action Auction (Fun Auction)" due to the fact that a Paul Revere bowl and two rhododendron plants failed to reach the convention on time for the auction.

At the opening meeting of the new year, the officers and directors of the Massachusetts Association voted unanimously to donate the \$100 with the hope that it will someway make up for the failure of the bowl and two plants reaching Col. R. E. Voorheis, Fun Auction Chairman.

In a letter to Executive Director Harvey L. McCray, Massachusetts Association Secretary Albert A. Burke wrote: "May you credit Col. Voorheis' committee with the above amount of money and so convey to him our deepest regrets that our failure to follow up on our commitment went so far astray, but very severe personal causes created the embarrassment."

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Equipment Sale During 1975 Grosses \$375,000 for Moody

Immediate past NAA Director Archie D. Moody of Darlington, South Carolina, reports on a sale, held in November, 1975, which resulted in gross sales of \$375,000. Two thousand people were present when 26 tractors, 19 trucks and trailers and 100 pieces of farm machinery were sold by the Moody-Godley Auction Company. The farm was owned and operated by Billy Graham and was located in Olanta, South Carolina.

Included in the list of items were 11 diesel tractors, including two IHC 656 Diesels; a late model John Deere 4630 Diesel; six Ford 3000 Diesels, all late models and other tractors. A hydraulic backhoe, Caterpillar D6 with hydraulic blade and rops, a Case 580 backhoe and loader and Owatonna 1000 skid loader were included in the industrial equipment. Harvesting equipment was included, along with a complete radio system, much machinery and a variety of trucks and trailers.

Cover Photos . . .

Featured on this issue's cover is the Moody-Godley's equipment sale of the Billy Graham farm in November of 1975. The two cover photographs include Auctioneer Archie Moody calling for a bid on one of the pieces of equipment (upper left inset photo) and the enthusiastic crowd gathering around the next item to be sold by Auctioneers Moody and Godley.



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Seattle — Worthwhile to Visit For the 1977 NAA Convention

By Mary Witzel, Chairman 1977 Convention Publicity

Seattle — Like Heaven — 77. The melodious chant of the auctioneers from the Evergreen State of Washington is calling you to participate in the National Auctioneers Association Convention in Seattle at the Olympic Hotel, July 25-30, 1977. There are many attractions to make a trip to Seattle beneficial to you.

Step into the past as you explore the historic district of Pioneer Square. Because of the poor harbor at Alki Point, the original settlers came to Pioneer Square. Take the Underground Tour and see colorful, dramatic Old Seattle. Visit the Pioneer Square Wax Museum and gaze upon the greatest moments in history. See the Mercer Girls, Chief Sealth(for whom Seattle was named), Governor Isaac Newton, Dr. David Maynard, a scene of the Louisana Purchase, and much more. The museum has 150 figures and 44 authentic scenes. Visit the Grand Central Building which contains 25 specialty shops filled with imports, crafts, restaurants, and galleries.

Or, if you prefer, start with the present and catch a glimpse of the future at the Seattle Center. The Seattle Center is situated on 74 acres and is the hub of entertainment, cultural expression, and recreation for children, teenagers, and adults. You will find the Fun Forest Amusement Park, a Food Circus Court and a chance to shop at the International Bazaar on the lower level or in the balcony boutique shops. Invention and creativity await you at the Pacific Science Center. Working exhibits and live demonstrations are found in five buildings. This huge complex includes Life Sciences, a Math Area, Astrospace, Spacearium, and Physical Sciences. See energy devices, outer space objects, and wave motion machines. There are more than 100 exhibits. For book and game lovers there is the Balcony Book and Gift Shop. Take the one minute trip to the top of the Space Needle to the observation deck. Dine luxuriously in the 600 foot Space Needle Restaurant which slowly revolves so that you have a tremendous view of the scenery from every direction.

Do not miss the opportunity of a lifetime to attend the National Auctioneers Convention in Seattle. Take home some new ideas for your auction business. Caring is sharing, and the auctioneers of the Evergreen State welcome the opportunity to share ideas, fellowship, and their beautiful state with you.

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Antique Cars — Auto Parts Bring Good Prices at Auction

Bidders from seven states gathered in Peoria, Illinois, on June 19 and 20 to attend one of the largest antique car and auto parts auctions in the midwest. Thousands of parts and 15 antique cars went on the auction block with Col. Glen Nordwall of Peoria conducting the auction.

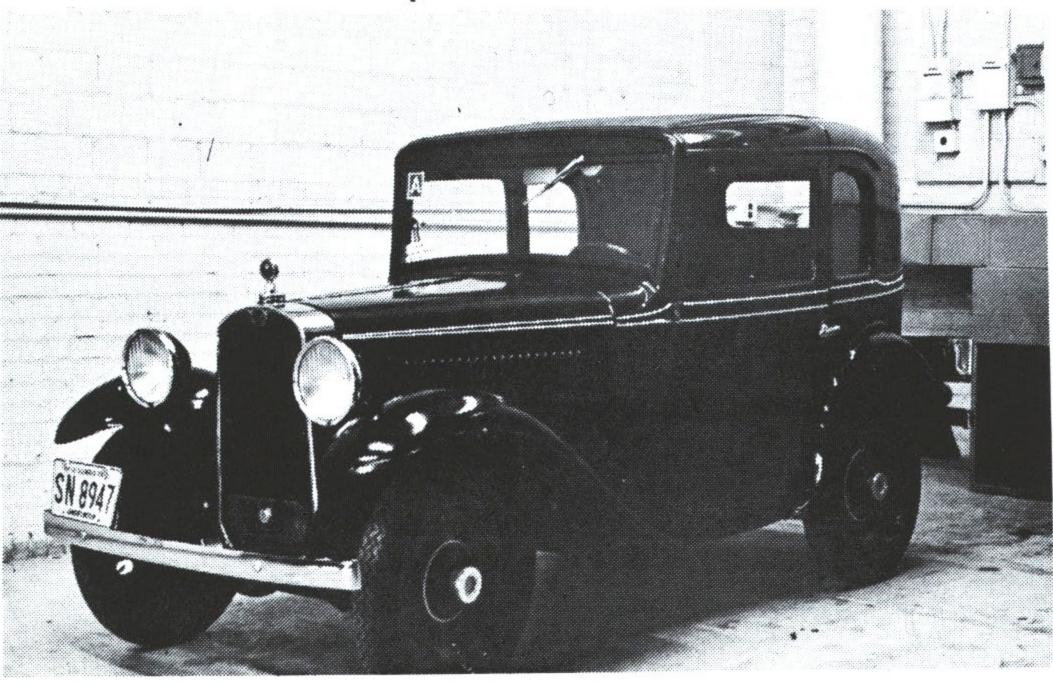
Some bidders came from as far away as Colorado, Maryland, Texas, Tennessee, Iowa, Kentucky, Pennsylvania, Kansas, Indiana, New York and Illinois. Prices for some of the items sold were \$250 for a set of 1912 Illinois license plates and \$210 for a single rear 1911 license plate. Three brass radiators for Model T's sold for between \$300 and \$320 each. A set of four antique wheels and two tires sold for \$480. One set of brass lanterns sold for \$200. Some of the cars that were sold were: 1934 American Bantam for \$3500; 1926 Model T Coupe for \$2300; 1926 Model T Touring car for \$2300; and a 1927 Model T Roadster Truck went for \$2000.

The more than 1400 lots went on the auction block Saturday and Sunday with the cars being sold at 2:00 P.M. on Sunday to conclude the auction.

Mike Nordwall Peoria, Illinois



THE 1926 Model T Ford coupe sold for \$2,300 at the Glen Nordwall auction in Peoria, Illinois. Sold also, for \$3,500, was the American Bantam (pictured below).



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Land Auction in Iowa Grosses \$1.5 Million

The price of \$2,210 per acre was bid and paid by the Kruger Seed Co. during the land auction, conducted by the McGuire Auction Company, Holstein, Iowa. The 697-acre farm was being sold to settle the Elva Miller estate and the auction was held on June 24, 1976.

The sale total of \$1,539,682 for a single tract of land is a record for that area of Iowa and a high for the McGuire Auction Company, Inc., in both volume and per acre.

The McGuire family has been selling real estate throughout the Iowa and midwest area since 1888 from their Holstein. They hold a number of record price per acre land sales in several counties in Northwest Iowa for farms sold over the last year.

Out of the 696 total acres, 669 were tillable. Four parcels in the Sherman Township of Pocahontas County were sold. The highest bidder was given the choice of any parcel, combination of parcels or the entire unit. Parcel No. 1 is a top producing unimproved 188.42 acres, with 184 tillable acres. Parcel No. 2 in an improved 188.26 acres with 179 tillable acres. Improvements include a 48' double crib with nine-foot sides; 10-foot alleyway and overhead binds, double garage with cement floor; 3,200 bushel steel bin on cement; 2,600 bushel wooden granary; 2,000 bushel wire ear corn crib and a good deep well with pressure system.

Parcel No. 3 is an improved 160 acres with approximately 151 tillable acres. It included a five-bedroom house. Out-buildings include a two-car garage, tool shop, fully cemented hip roof barn with lean-to cattle shed, hog house, cattle shed, 42-foot double crib with overhead bins; three machine sheds; two 2,000-bushel bins and a good 300-foot well with pressure system.

Parcel No. 4 is an unimproved 160 acres with 155 tillable acres. The entire unit of 669 tillable acres has a 239 acre feed grain allotment and 118 bushel productivity rating.

Oklahoma Association Conducts First Educational Conference

The Oklahoma State Auctioneers Association sponsored Oklahoma's first Educational Conference at Oklahoma State University at Stillwater on August 14-15, 1976. The conference was open to all OSAA members and non-member auctioneers and their spouses.

In the words of OSAA President Paul Alford, "It was great! The seminar was a tremendous success. The instruction was excellent; the food and hospitality were tremendous; and the fellowship, with all of the auctioneers, was great as usual.

"Our deepest appreciation to Col. Jay Blodgett for the work he did in making all the plans and putting on such a fine educational program. I want to personally thank each auctioneer who had a part, either in helping or just being present. I also would not forget to thank the lovely ladies who had a part in the seminar. Their presence made for a much more enjoyable and pleasant program.

"At the business meeting on Sunday it was voted by the Association to hold another seminar some time during the first quarter of 1977; the Oklahoma State University being the site.

"I feel that the experience gained from the first adventure will enlighten the instructors as well as our own people and enable us to cover even more subjects in a more adaptable manner. Col. Jay Blodgett has again agreed to head this educational program.

"I also want to say thank you to the membership for giving their unanimous support of the Regional division of the state. We now have five Presidential Advisors, who are: Southeast Region — Orval Free, McAlister; Southwest Region — R. D. Bentley, Lawton; Northeast Region — Dutch Voss,

Stillwater; Northwest — Norman Wilmeth, Guymon; and Central Region — Joan Curry, Spencer.

"These advisors will be contacting the association members as well as non-members in their area, explaining in detail their plans for their region. If you as an auctioneer need any kind of help, please contact your advisor.

"I was able to attend the National Convention in St. Louis and received a great amount of knowledge and fellowship from other state auctioneers. Being somewhat prejudiced, perhaps, and yet being truthful, I feel that we, the OSAA, can rightfully be proud of our fine organization. It rates among the top, according to the reports given at the various meetings."

The news from Oklahoma was condensed from a newsletter President Alford to his state membership, which was submitted to the NAA Office by OSAA "Auction-Aire" editor, Jim Thompson.

Eighteenth Annual Convention Held By Tennessee Auctioneers Association

By Hubert D. Songer, Secretary Tennessee Auctioneers Association

The Eighteenth Annual Convention of the Tennessee Auctioneers Association was held in Gatlinburg, Tennessee, on Sunday and Monday, June 13 and 14. Ninety-one member auctioneers with their families were in attendance, making a total attendance of 173.

Registration began early Sunday morning, followed by church services and, or, just visiting the interesting sights of Gatlinburg and its many attractions.

Sunday afternoon's activities were highlighted by a golf tournament at the Pigeon Forge golf course, with Roger Songer carrying off the honors, and a horseshoe tournament. The horseshoe tournament was a double elmination team tournament won by Eulan Hooper and Hubert Songer, who were undefeated.

Jimmy Moore, author, photographer and film director for the Hee Haw television show, provided the entertainment at the Sunday evening banquet. Mr. Moore provided a most enjoyable, entertaining program.

Monday's activities were devoted to the business of the convention and to the Fun Auction.

The following officers were elected for the 1976-77 year: President: Marvin Alexander, Martin, TN

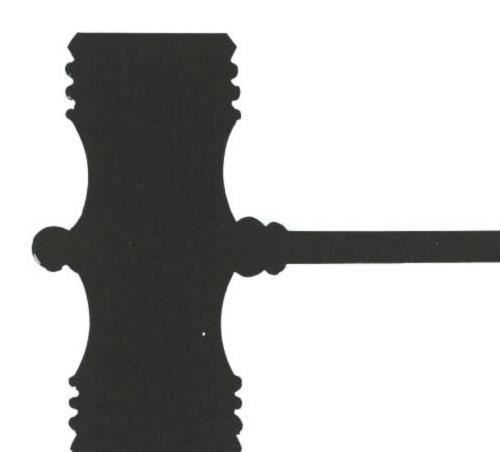
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Director for 3 years: George Miller, Jr., Newport, TN
Recommendation for Commission: Lloyd Nevels, Goodletts-ville, TN

The Fun Auction was held on the lawn of the Howard Johnson Motel in Gatlinburg. The Fun Auction was highlighted by the sale of a quilt provided by the Ladies Auxiliary, consisting of squares provided by various auctioneers. The quilt was auctioned and was purchased for \$800.00 by Jasper Jones of the Delta Auction Company in Memphis.

A thirteen-star flag knitted and donated by Mildred Songer was purchased by Jim Stevens at the bid price of \$200.00.

The Fun Auction totaled \$900.75 for the T.A.A. and \$867.00 for the Ladies Auxiliary.

The December Mid-Year meeting of the T.A.A. will be Sunday, December 5, and Monday, December 6, at the Hilton Airport Inn in Nashville. In addition, there will be a seminar for all auctioneers on Tuesday, December 7. Please place these dates on your calendar.



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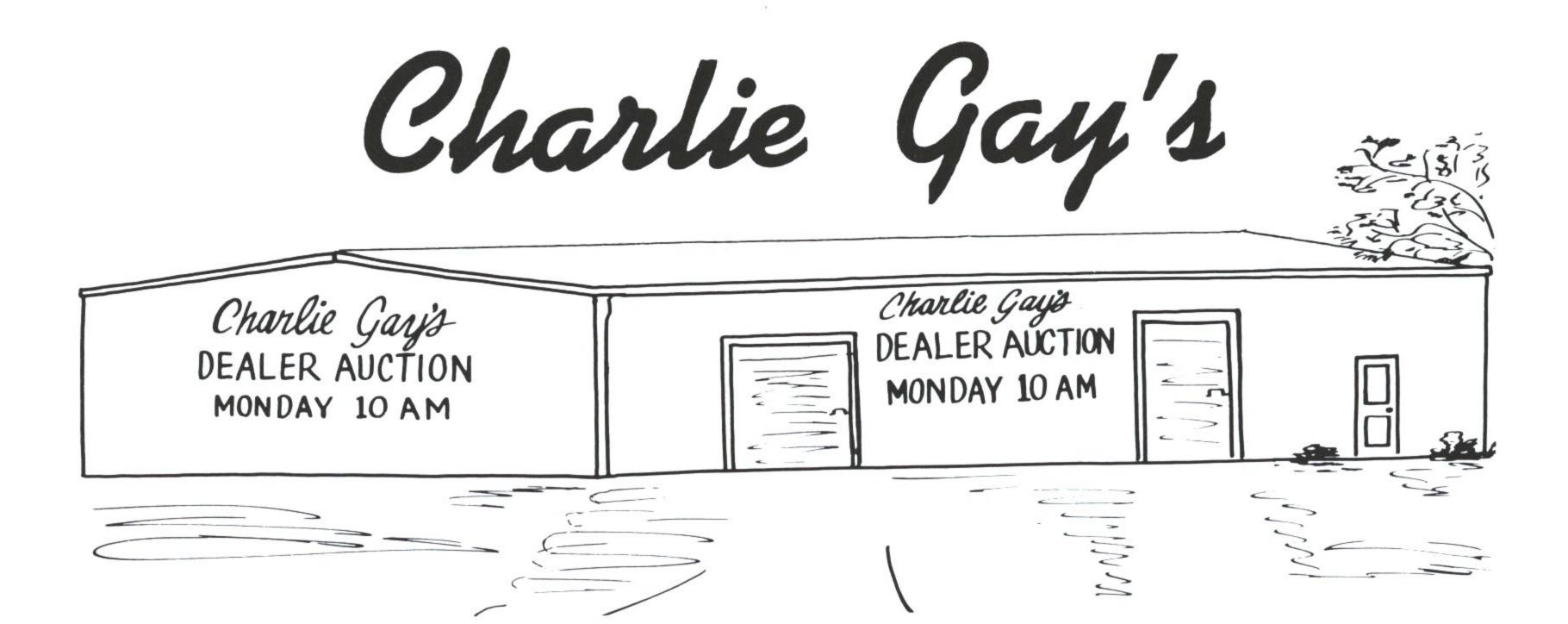
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Legislative Committe Prepares Sum Of State License Laws for Auctioneers

The 1975-76 Legislative Committee of the NAA, under the chairmanship of then 2nd Vice President Marty Higgenbotham, has compiled information about the auctioneering laws in the states. The information is not complete due to the fact that after numerous inquiries Chairman Higgenbotham did not receive any responses from some states. If the summary does not show the complete information on a particular state and if the laws are available thru another source, the information will be appreciated — either send them to Marty Higgenbotham or Executive Director Harvey McCray for an update on the information submitted.

The following NAA members also served on the 1975-76 Legislative Committee with Chairman Higgenbotham: Russell Kruse, Ben Weschler, Merle Straw, Mike Gordon, Wayne Kessler and Craig Lawing.

The Board of Directors of the NAA has gone on record to make it clear that it is not for or against license laws, but is making information available to the many auctioneers who have requested it. The is the purpose of the summary.

To read the summary correctly, following each state will be a statement, which was obtained from the material submitted to Chairman Higgenbotham after his inquiry was mailed to the respective state. If the material was incorrectly interpreted or the laws have been revised since the material was submitted, please send the corrected material to the NAA Office immediately for immediate publication in the next issue of THE AUCTIONEER Magazine.

ALABAMA — yes. Application for licenses; written application made to the State Board of Auctioneers; to apply must be 21 or older; apprentice auctioneer — 18 or older; must have completed accredited auctioneering school and served one year as an apprentice auctioneer in this state; must also have been principle auctioneer in at least five auctions. Non-resident: May become auctioneer or apprentice auctioneer in this state by conforming to the provisions of this act.

ALASKA — no. No specific auctioneer's license law necessary, but all businesses are required to have a license. Licenses are applied for upon forms from the Commissioner of Revenue.

ARIZONA — no. Auction laws are covered in a variety of places and the Arizona revised statutes are on record in your state law library.

ARKASAS — yes. License required.

CALIFORNIA — no. Does not have any auction license laws. **COLORADO** — no. Information not complete.

of each town, who may issue such licenses; if the charter or ordinances of any city or borough do not authorize any person or persons to issue such licenses, the mayor of such city or the warden of the borough may issue the same; no license unless an application in writing has been made and filed with one of the selectman or with the authority authorized by law to issue such license at least three days before the issue thereof.

DELAWARE — no. Non-resident auctioneers charged \$150 for each county in which he acts as an auctioneer.

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA — no response on inquiry.

FLORIDA — no law requiring the licensing of auctioneers; however, occupational licenses necessary in the county where the business is located.

GEORGIA — auctioneers and apprentice auctioneers license required; application obtained from Georgia Auctioneers Commission; must be 18 or older; must take and pass an examination; fees charged; non-residents may acquire license.

HAWAII — auctioneers regulated by counties.

IDAHO — no response on inquiry.

ILLINOIS — no response on inquiry.

INDIANA — license required; application obtained from

Auctioneer Commission within 90 days of the effective date of this act (June 10, 1970); completed forms must be on file in the office of the Commission at least thirty (30) days prior to an examination date; all other papers including the required bond on file at least five (5) days prior to such exam. Non-resident may be licensed as auctioneer upon complying with regulations of the Commission.

IOWA — license required; ten days prior to auction, must be filed with the board of supervisors of the county wherein it is proposed to hold such an auction.

KANSAS — no response on inquiry.

KENTUCKY — license required for auctioneers and apprentice auctioneers from Board of Auctioneers. Must pass examination held four times annually; applicants must be 18 or older and have served a bona fide apprenticeship for a period of one year as an apprentice auctioneer in Kentucky. Non-residents must pay issuance fee.

LOUISIANA — information not adequate.

MAINE — residents over 18 required to submit evidence of good moral character and satisfy the Secretary of State, or an agent designated by him, that he holds and has knowledge of the laws of this state pertaining to auctions. Non-residents must obtain auctioneer's license, issued by Secretary of State, provided the state in which he resides permits a non-resident to be issued a license.

MARYLAND — auctioneer shall be required to take out a license in the summer as resident trades; any county or city may require additional local licenses, obtainable from Clerk of the Circuit Court of the county.

MASSACHUSETTS — individual towns and cities have their own rules and regulations.

MICHIGAN — license obtained by delivering bond to treasurer of resident's county, with two or more sureties.

MINNESOTA — license obtained from county auditor; must be 18 and resident of county six months; non-residents may be licensed upon compliance with state laws; copy of license from home state must be submitted to county auditor with his application.

MISSISSIPPI — license required; jewelry auction sales regulated.

MISSOURI — no specific regulations at this time.

MONTANA — file application with treasurer of the county in this state. Application filed not less than ten (10) full days prior to the day the said auction is to be held.

NEBRASKA — no state licensing requirements for auctioners in this state.

NEVADA — no response on inquiry.

NEW HAMPSHIRE — license required; good reputations for qualifications; non-resident granted such license if the state of his residence extends identical licensing privileges to residents of this state and if he conforms to all provisions of the law; before obtaining license he shall file with Secretary of the State his irrevocable consent that suits and actions arising against him in this state out of his acts as an auctioneer may be commenced upon him by service of process upon the Secretary of State.

NEW JERSEY — no license at the moment; each town and city has their own ordinance.

NEW YORK — no response on inquiry.

NORTH CAROLINA — no response on inquiry.

NORTH DAKOTA — license for auctioneer and clerk required with public service commission; applications filed at least ten (10) days prior to sale; non-resident auctioneers and clerks, upon complying with the foregoing requirements, may conduct sales within the state and shall be subject to same requirements of law as residents.

OHIO — license necessary from Department of Commerce; must serve as licensed apprentice auctioneer for at least one (1) year within this state; license for apprentice auctioneers and new auctioneers filed with Division of Licensing, Department of Commerce; non-residents file for license with same department.

OKLAHOMA — license required from treasurer of the county in this state in which the auction is being held; application shall be filed not less than (10) days prior to the day of sale.

OREGON — apply for license to the office of the Secretary of State; auctioneer trainee license issued to person under age of 21.

PENNSYLVANIA — person engaged in auctioneering profession for two (2) years or more may be issued an auctioneer's license; application of such license shall be made to the Board of Auctioneers Examiners; special licenses to out-of-state auctioneers; application for licenses as apprentice auctioneers shall be made to the same board.

RHODE ISLAND — no response on inquiry.

SOUTH CAROLINA — no response on inquiry.

SOUTH DAKOTA — each municipality has power to license, tax and regulate auctioneers; reciprocal privileges extended to auctioneers of state not requiring licenses.

TENNESSEE — license required; auctioneer or apprentice auctioneer shall make written application to Tennessee Auctioneer Commission; must be 18 and have served as apprentice for one (1) year; non-resident auctioneer and apprentice auctioneer licenses granted.

TEXAS — auctioneers' licenses must be obtained from Texas Department of Labor and Standards; student auctioneer must be supervised by licensed auctioneers; non-residents must file with the commissioner for a license.

UTAH — no response on inquiry.

VERMONT — Secretary of State may license resident and non-resident auctioneers.

VIRGINIA — applications for licenses obtained from Commissioner.

VIRGIN ISLANDS — no response on inquiry.

WASHINGTON — auctioneer's license is not issued.

WEST VIRGINIA — need license to serve as auctioneer; application should be made on forms furnished to Commissioner.

WISCONSIN — information not adequate. WYOMING — information not adequate.

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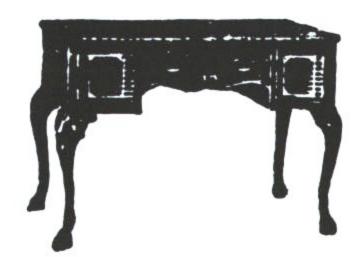
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Two locations have been established for the 1977 winter Seminars — New York City at the Biltmore Hotel on January 10-11-12 — and Kansas City, Missouri, at the Radisson Muehlebach Hotel on February 28-March 1-2.

Tuition rates for each session are \$60.00, or choose the special rate of \$150 for the three sessions (includes bid calling). Spouses may attend classes at one-half the regular NAA member rate.

Classes will be limited and will fill up fast. Use the registration form, printed below, and be sure and indicate which Seminar you wish toattend.

Hotel accommodations will be reserved for you by Executive Director Harvey L. McCray, so you must complete the form if you wish to receive the special NAA Seminars room rate. If you desire to share a room with another auctioneer of your choosing, make certain you indicate the name of the auctioneer with whom you are sharing a room. Please indicate the

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Registration fees must be included with each registration submitted. No room deposit is required, but reservations should be made at least one month in advance of the Seminar you are attending. Send all Registration fees and completed forms to: Harvey L. McCray, Executive Director, National Auctioneers Association, 135 Lakewood Drive, Lincoln, NE 68510.

The Seminar instructors will be announced in a future issue of THE AUCTIONEER — assignments now are being confirmed by 1st Vice President Marty Higgenbotham, Chairman.

Join the interested auctioneer and learn more about your profession at the 1977 NAA Seminars — New York City, January 10-11-12 and Kansas City, February 28-March 1-2. The instructors will be selected due to their expertise in the profession and who are willing to share their experiences and talents with NAA members who want to sell more at better prices — at auction!

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Lyle Erickson Chose NAA Members To Serve on 1976-77 Committees

Following his election as President of the National Auctioneers Association at the 1976 St. Louis Convention, Lyle Erickson announced his committee appointments at the Board of Directors meeting. The committee appointments were not complete, as President Erickson wanted to offer many NAA members the opportunity to serve if they were interested.

Here is the list of committee appointments as announced by President Erickson for the 1976-77 NAA year:

PUBLIC RELATIONS AND PROMO-TION — General Chairman, C. P. Terry Dunning.

This committee also to include the following divisions:

Publications — Howard Buckles, Chairman; and R. A. "Dick" Mader;

Advertising — Marvin Smith, Chairman; and Forrest Mendenhall;

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Film — Harvey Lambright, Chairman; Dick Kane, C. P. Terry Dunning, Merle Straw and Ford Good;

National Auctioneers Week — Dale McPherson, Chairman; and Hubert Songer;

State Officers' Workshop — C. P. Terry Dunning, Chairman; and Wylie Rittenhouse.

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BUDGET & AUDIT — Wylie Rittenhouse, Chairman; Dick Kane, Howard Buckles, Harvey McCray and Dean Fleming.

CONVENTION — Robert F. Losey, Sr., Chairman; Lyle Erickson, Marty Higgenbotham, Harvey Lambright, John O'Connor, Joe Donahoe, Dean Fleming, Morris Fannon and Harvey McCray.

EXECUTIVE — Lyle Erickson, Chairman; Marty Higgenbotham, Harvey Lambright, C. P. Terry Dunning, Wylie Rittenhouse and Harvey McCray.

NOMINATING — C. P. Terry Dunning, Chairman; Wylie Rittenhouse, Joe Donahoe, Leland Dudley and Howard Roland.

President Erickson received approval of the Board of Directors for the rehiring of Treasurer Dean Fleming. The Board of Directors also announced that the title of Executive Director will be given to NAA Secretary Harvey L. McCray, who as prescribed in the Articles of Incorporation, will continue to serve as Secretary of the corporation of the National Auctioneers Association.

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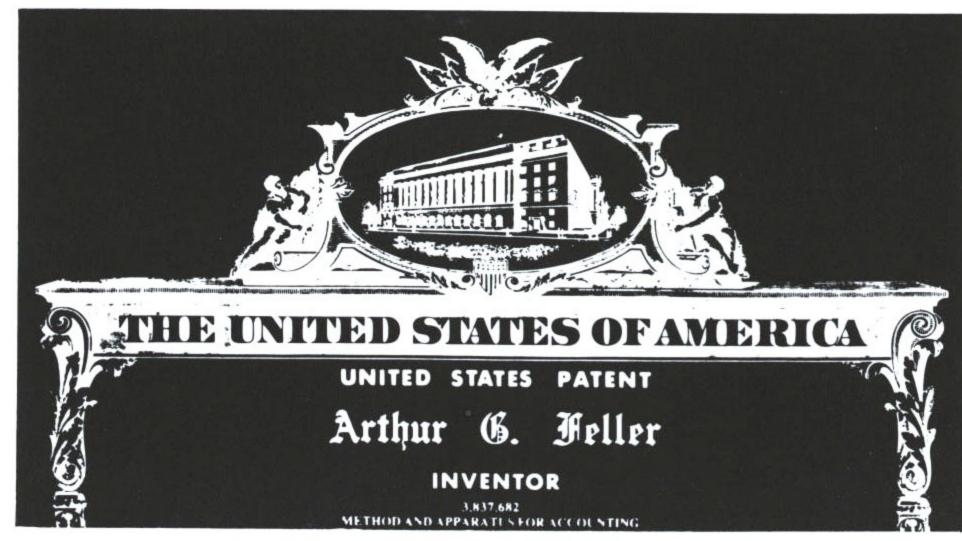
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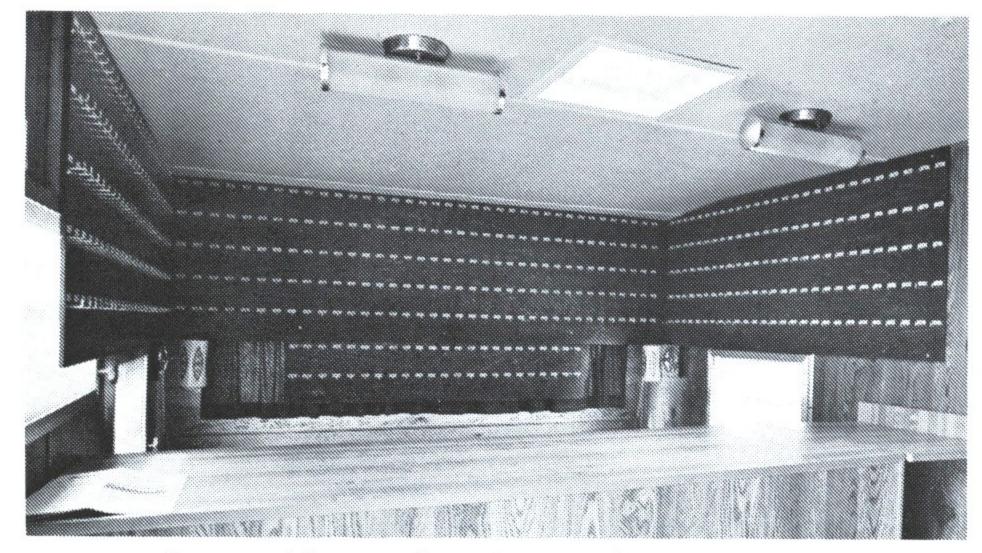
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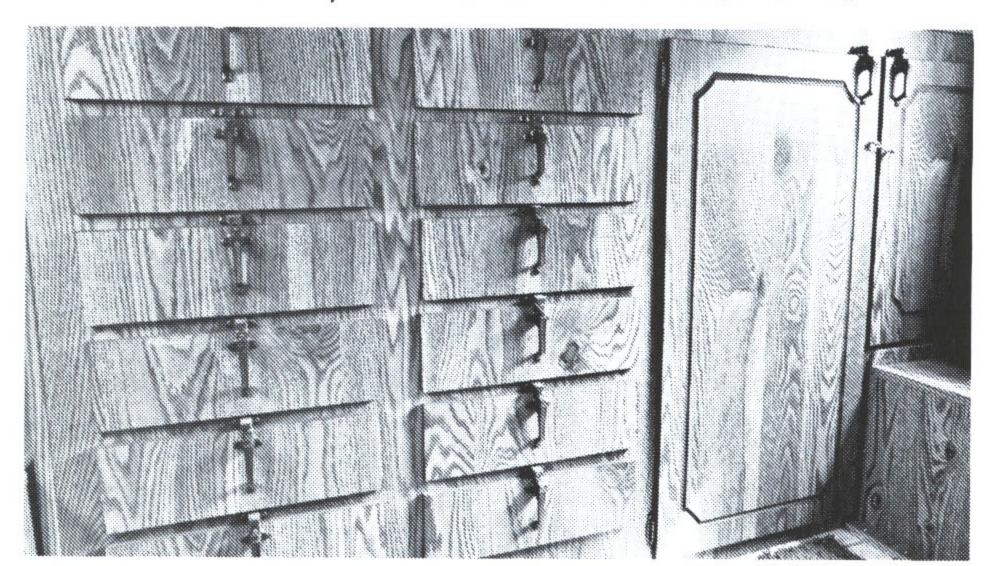
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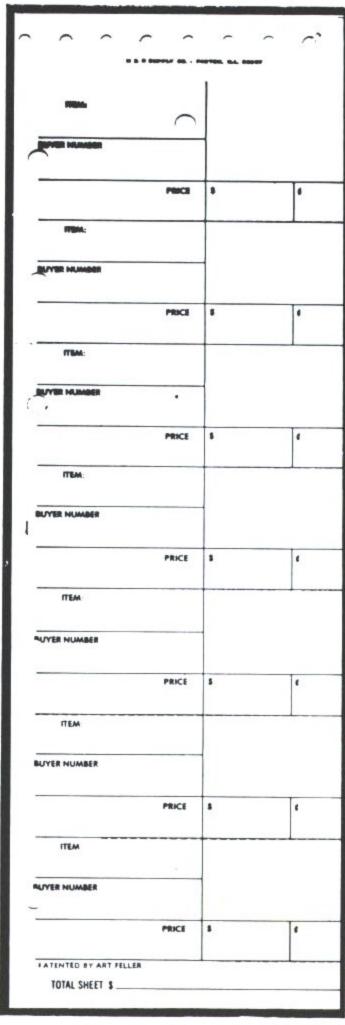
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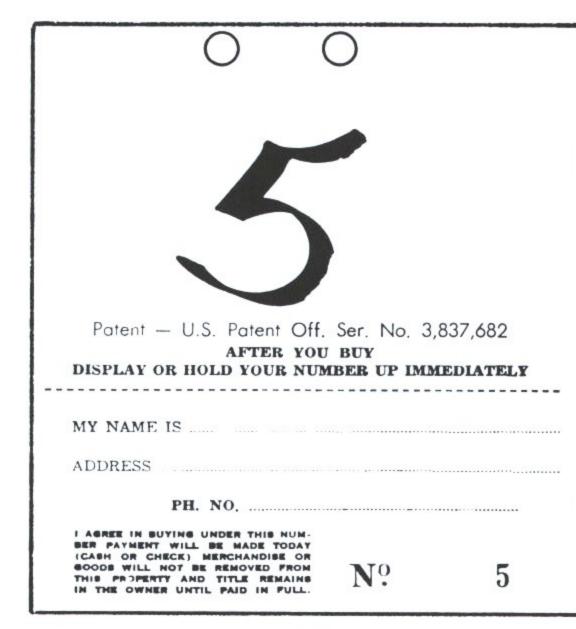
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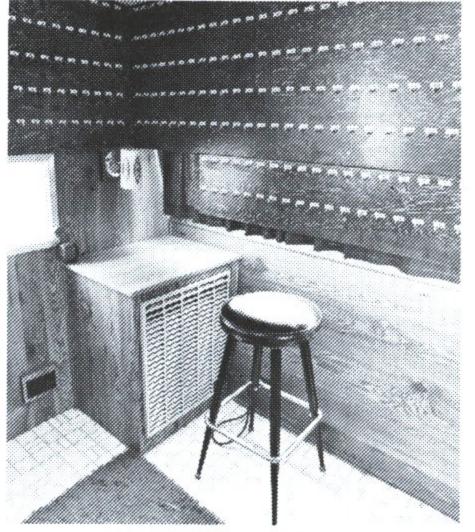


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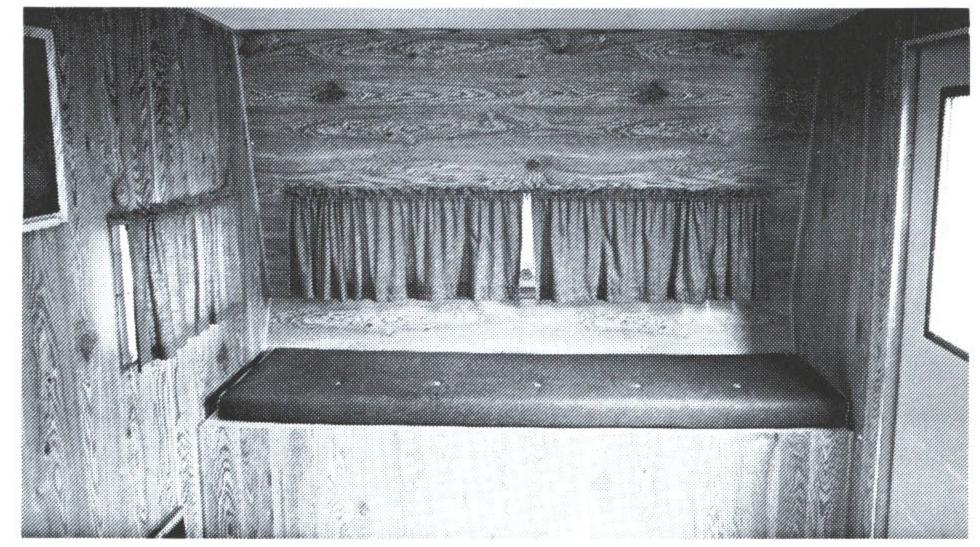
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John T. Ryan

Col John T. Ryan of Greeley, Nebraska, was named auctioneer of the year for 1976 by the Nebraska Auctioneers Association at the convention held in May in Kearney. Col. Ryan has been an auctioneer since 1940 and has attended every state convention since the association was organized 28 years ago. He is also past president of the state association.

He has attended many NAA Conventions, including the 1976 Spirit of St. Louis Convention.

Col. Ryan sells real estate, both private and through public auctions, having acquired his broker's license "a good many years ago".

During his 36 years as auctioneer, he estimated he's conducted between 60 and 70 auctions each year. In a newspaper article by Jan Ware of the Grand Island (Nebraska) Daily Independent (Saturday, June 12, 1976), he said that the largest transaction was almost \$200,000 for real estate on a farm sale. He added that he has conducted several personal property sales that netted \$70,000.

Although he doesn't look it, Col. Ryan is 73 years old. He said he supposed retirement was in his future, but that he didn't know how or when to do it.

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Ernest C. Freund

Ernest C. "Ernie" Freund, well known auctioneer in East Central Wisconsin and within the State and National Auctioneers Associations, was presented a beautiful plaque giving him an honorary life-time membership in the Wisconsin Auctioneers Association. The honor was given him by WAA President Robert Brandau and fifty other auctioneers, wives and families, at a breakfast held at the 1976 National Convention in St. Louis.

Mr. and Mrs. Freund have established permanent residency in Fort Lauderdale, Florida, following his retirement from a successful career in the auction business. Their summer address is 3800 Willow Lane Beach, Fond du Lac, WI 54935.

The plaque, which assures him membership in the Wisconsin Auctioneer's Association, reads as follows: In Special Recognition of many years of service to the Wisconsin Auctioneers Association, Inc., we grant a Honorary Life Membership to Col. Ernest C. Freund. Through your faithful affiliation starting back 25 years ago as a charter member, serving as the first president and later as secretary-treasurer and always available on all committee assignments, you have made the auction profession a better place in the State of Wisconsin. Your efforts to always further the auction way of selling certainly help the younger generation in all auctions, large and small. We, the WAA salute you and express our appreciation to you as a true leader and dedicated auctioneer — July 24, 1976 (composed by Secretary-Treasurer Vic Voigt, Reedsville).

Robert Brandau WAA President, concluded the information submitted to the NAA Office with: "Sincere congratulations to a great auctioneer and friend. We count it a tribute to know you and to share experiences with one of the best!!!"

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Many letters come to my office in regards to getting new furniture auctions, so I feel compelled to pass what knowledge I may have on to the ones that have asked me to do so for them. So as to not show any favors to one and not the others, I wrote this booklet to let those that may be interested in working new furniture auctions with their other lines of auctioneering have what knowledge I may have. At this time let me say these rules and methods will work for you if you carry them to the letter.

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91,689

NATIONAL AUCTIONEERS ASSOCIATION STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 1976

	The second second		
		Land, Building	
	General Fund	and Equipment	Total
BALANCE — beginning of year	56,774	94,875	151,649
Excess (deficit) of receipts over disbursements	25,277	(3,186)	22,091
BALANCE — end of year	82,051	91,689	173,740

NATIONAL AUCTIONEERS ASSOCIATION
STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS
YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 1976

TEAR ENDED	JUINE 30,	1310	
		Land, Building and	
	General	Equipment	
	Fund	Fund	Total
CASH RECEIPTS			
Membership	96,871		96,871
Advertising	11,836		11,836
Convention registration	=0.444		=0.444
and miscellaneous	56,111		56,111
Booster page contributions	5,859		5,859
Promotional items,	0.000		0.000
brochures and souvenirs	3,089		3,089
Subscriptions	178		178
State dues and	C 205		C 205
overpayments	6,305	0.40	6,305
Interest	1,952	243	2,195
Profit from seminars	7,736		7,736
Miscellaneous	327		327
Total cash receipts	190,264	243	190,507
DISBURSEMENTS			
Salaries	28,006		28,006
Travel	6,082		6,082
Benefits	3,805		3,805
Payroll taxes	2,998		2,998
Printing and postage —			
"The Auctioneer"	35,169		35,169
Convention	35,546		35,546
Insurance and taxes	4,612		4,612
Office supplies	5,043		5,043
Printing — miscellaneous	2,594		2,594
Postage — general	4,551		4,551
Maintenance	1,690		1,690
Utilities	2,580		2,580
Promotion items	5,901		5,901
Professional fees —			
accounting	2,348		2,348
State dues	$6,\!220$		$6,\!220$
Executive secretary			
replacement costs	3,901		3,901
Promotional film expense	12,695		12,695
Miscellaneous	1,246		1,246
Depreciation		3,429	3,429
Total disbursements	164,987	3,429	168,416
EXCESS OF RECEIPTS	05.075	(0.100)	00.001
OVER DISBURSEMENTS	25,277	(3,186)	22,091

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We have examined the accompanying statement of assets, liabilities and fund balances and the statement of cash receipts and disbursements of the National Auctioneers Association for the year ended June 30, 1976, all prepared on the modified cash basis.

In our opinion, the accompanying statements present fairly the assets, liabilities and fund balances resulting from the cash transactions of the National Auctioneers Association at June 30, 1976 and its revenue collected and expenses paid and changes in fund balances for the year then ended applied on a consistent modified cash basis.

Our examination has been made primarily for the purpose of rendering an opinion on the financial statements mentioned above, taken as a whole. The accompanying supplementary information is presented for analysis only and is not included for the fair presentation of the financial information referred to in the preceding paragraph. The supplementary information has been subjected to the tests and other auditing procedures applied in the examination of the financial statement mentioned above and, in our opinion, is fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the financial statements taken as a whole.

July 15, 1976

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NATIONAL AUCTIONEERS ASSOCIATION STATEMENT OF ASSETS, LIABILITIES, AND FUND BALANCES JUNE 30, 1976 ASSETS

General Fund	
Cash in bank	36,138
Certificates of deposit	45,913
General Fund assets	82,051
Land, Building, and Equipment Fund	
Cash in bank	1,860
Land at cost	14,423
Building, at cost, less accumulated	
depreciation of \$10,051	65,330
Equipment, at cost, less accumulated	
depreciation of \$5,135	10,076
Land, Building, and Equipment Fund assets	91,689

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Columnist Slyvia Porter Devotes Newspaper Column To Information on Auctions

Syndicated columnist Sylvia Porter helped create interest in auctions recently when she devoted her column to the subject of auctions. Though shown under different headings, the articles were the same all over and offered information to her readers about basic rules of bidding and buying at auction.

NAA Immediate Past President C. P. "Terry" Dunning was quoted in her column and he provided her with information on the growing interest in the auction profession. In Lincoln, Nebraska, home of the NAA Headquarters, the Lincoln Journal newspaper combined the Sylvia Porter article with information about auctioneers in general and activities, which are centered and administered from the NAA Office.

Executive Director Harvey McCray and his secretary, Cheryl Griffith, both were interviewed and the combined Sylvia Porter-Gene Kelly articles took up the major portion of one page in the Saturday edition. A followup article, written and published by a feature writer of the Lincoln Star newspaper (the morning newspaper in Lincoln), featured the auction techniques of one of Lincoln's auctioneers Col. Janiece Kaufman and her associate Shirley Dolezal. Jan is a member of the NAA.

Interest High in Auctions

Interest is high in the auction profession and newspaper feature writers are looking for good, human interest articles about the auction profession and the auctioneers who represent the profession. Too often, during interviews, the feature writers will write about that portion of the profession which is interesting or unique and perhaps not as "valuable" to the

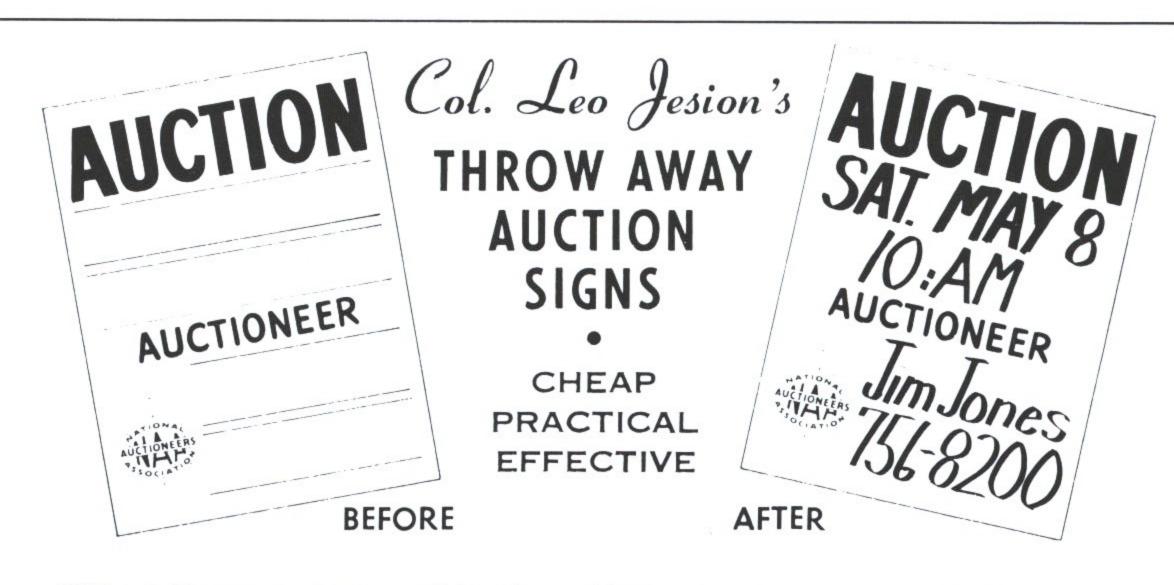
profession as it is to reader interest. Take advantage of the growing interest, but use the publicity wisely and make sure the facts are presented properly. Many times a statement will be taken out of context as the feature writer will condense a statement to make it interesting and combine it with another unrelated statement and the combined statement may not be as correct as it should be (Executive Director Harvey McCray is aware of this technique as a statment attributed to him about the "education" of an auctioneer was misquoted when he referred to a certain poll, taken at one of the NAA sponsored educational events, and the newspaper feature writer combined it with another subject, which covered the entire membership of the NAA).

Auction Display in Newspaper

The Tallahasse (Florida) Democrat newspaper featured the auction techniques of Leeroy "Doc" Hall, who is a partner in the United Auctioneering company in Tallahassee. The newspaper's Vista section, devoted to editorials-business and finance, included a full-page display of photographs taken during a weekly auction and highlighted the professionalism of the auctioneer.

Col. Hall commented on the article, saying, "The auction business around the Tallahassee area is confined mostly to our weekend general merchandise, and antiques sale. On Monday night we have a public auto auction. We have been trying to 'auctionize' the people in this area since 1975 and it is starting to look up. We were overjoyed when the local paper came out with the article."

The auction profession is considered one of great interest at the present time. Interest in the NAA is high also and calls are received daily in the NAA Office from auctioneers who are interested in joining the State and National Auctioneers Associations. It is up to the auctioneer to continue to make the profession one of which everyone can be proud!



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Dear Ladies:

As I write this letter, fall is coming to our beautiful state of Wisconsin. The leaves are beginning to turn and in early morning there is a nip in the air. We certainly enjoyed the convention in St. Louis and the hospitality was great.

As usual the Auction business has been good this summer and fall and everyone is very busy. Our son Mike is starting in the business with his dad and brother Bob, for which we are very grateful. Sure doesn't seem possible that we started going to conventions in 1954. Time sure flies.

Now we are all alone in our house and it seems so big and empty. We are looking forward to seeing all our friends in Seattle next July.

> Mrs. Lucille Freund Omro, Wisconsin 54963

New Real Estate Settlement and Procedures Act Adopted; In Effect as of July 1, 1976

If you're in the real estate auction profession (or real estate profession), you should know about the Real Estate Settlement and Procedures Act, which took effect on July 1, 1976. It aims to remove the mystery from that bundle of last-minute fees and charges known as "closing" costs, enabling the buyer to shop for the best deal.

When an individual applies for a mortage, the lender must now furnish, within three days, "a good faith" estimate of the eventual closing costs. The buyer also will get a Housing & Urban Development Dept. booklet called "Settlement Costs". At settlement, the buyer will also get a copy of HUD Form 1, which details the costs involved.

"The American Express" newsletter

Free Baby Sitting Service At Texas Auxiliary Meeting

Dear Ladies:

The Texas Auctioneers Association Ladies Auxiliary met during the Texas Auctioneers Convention at the Hilton Inn in Dallas, Texas, on June 11 and 12, 1976.

The auxiliary assisted the TAA by providing assistance for convention registration all day on June 11. They also contributed several handmade items for sale at the Fun Auction. One of the items — a macrame owl made by Kelly Adams of Poteet — brought as high as \$27.00.

The five-year old organization hosted 26 ladies at the dalies' luncheon on Saturday which was double last year's attendance. Programs for the ladies included facial care, figure fitness and exercise through belly dancing. Baby sitters were provided free for children of Texas auctioneers all day Saturday so all wives could be free to attend the functions.

During the business meeting Saturday morning new officers elected were: President, Mrs. Dudley Althaus; Vice President, Mrs. Don Flusche; Secretary-Treasurer, Mrs. Al Stephens; Historian, Mrs. Frog Adams. Directors are: Mrs. Tom Keilman, Mrs. Dave Foster, Mrs. Keith Carey, Mrs. Jack Gartiner, and Mrs. Sharon Gathright.

The ladies auxiliary voted to develop an area program to promote membership in TAA and attendance at conventions. The state was divided into six areas with Kelly Adams overall chairman. The Area Directors will be contacting ladies in their area to offer assistance and explain the program of the ladies auxiliary.

The Auxiliary invites all wives to attend the luncheon held each year at the TAA convention and use the free baby sitters provided by the Auxiliary during the day Saturday. All ladies are invited to join the Auxiliary and participate in the workshops and activities. For further information, please contact Mrs. Dudley Althaus, Rt. 8, Box 222, Fredericksburg, Texas 78624.

Bookkeeping systems will be the main topic for discussion for the women when they meet in Abilene in 1977.

Dues of \$5 a year, from June to June, may be mailed to Mrs. Linnie Stephens, 2311 Lynn, Big Spring, Texas 79720.

Mrs. Dudley (Barbara) Althaus

In Memoriam...

ELVAN MARKWELL

Col. Elvan Markwell, 67, died suddenly at his home in Shawnee, Oklahoma, on July 28, 1976. He was a graduate of the Reisch Auction School in 1948, a charter member and past president of the Oklahoma Auctioneers Association, and a member of the National Auctioneers Association.

At the time of his death he was president of Markwell & Curry, Inc., and was a real estate and insurance salesman. He taught in the Ft. Smith Auction School for 21 years, and taught three sessions at the Oklahoma School of Auction-eering.

Col. Markwell was a member of the Church of Christ, Masonic Lodge, Order of the Eastern Star, Shawnee Chamber of Commerce, and was active in other organizations.

Survivors include his wife, Zelma, of the home; a daughter and son-in-law, Susan and Jack McGee, and four grand-children of Pearland, Texas; his mother, Zeffie Markwell, one sister and three brothers, all of the Shawnee area.

MYRLE LLOYD

Mrs. Myrle Lloyd of Oshkosh, Wisconsin, reported that her husband, Myrle, passed away on May 18, 1976. Additional information was not made available on Col. Lloyd.

Across The Antiques Auction Block . . .

Wicker Furniture Becomes Popular Auction Items

By Dave Kessler New Paris, Ohio

In the late 19th century it was a common sight to see wicker furniture in the home. Wicker furniture was in keeping with the art noveau period of new creations with different materials.

It was a time when colonial traditional designs were replaced by new classic art forms.

Men like Louis C. Tiffany led the way into a new era of design and were mass producing items of beauty to enrich the lives of everyone.

Tiffany was the leader of the art noveau movement that influenced the change in glassware, jewelry and art as well as changing the entire furnishings of the home to the naturalistic art noveau forms.

Elaborate Curves

Wicker lent itself well to this new era of design. Because of the pliable nature of wicker elaborate curves, scrolls and ornamentation could be executed that couldn't be achieved with wood.

For the first time it was possible to produce a truly art noveau form of furniture at a price that many people could afford.

The dynamic art noveau style and the fascination with things oriental combined to influence the manufacturing of furniture of bamboo, rataan and wicker.

Wicker seems to have been the most popular of the three and its popularity has continued to live on.

Wicker furniture found its way into the White House. It was a featured attraction at world expositions and it wasn't long till nearly every home had some pieces of wicker furniture.

Most of us probably remember wicker furniture as belonging on the outside porch or on the lawn. However, most of the wicker was made for furniture to be used in the home.

Furniture made of wicker was fairly sturdy, had interesting design and some had elaborate ornamentation. Many items were made in basic furniture as well as accessory pieces. which to brush or spray on the color of paint that will blend best with your decor. You will then have an item that will lend a bright touch of interest to any room.

Among the basic furniture we find divans, arm chairs, side chairs, tables, stands, dressing tables, desks and other items. The accessory items are many with the most familiar being table lamps, floor lamps, wastebaskets and magazine racks.

The craftsmanship and styling of Victorian furniture started to deteriorate by 1915 or 1920 and so did wicker furniture. The cheapend items of this era had very plain lines, and these are the items we remember on porches and lawns.

The leaders in fashion have shown the way to wicker again and a revival of interest is occurring.

Purchasers of antique wicker may find that the old pieces have loosened through years of use. Applying two or three coats of sealer or shellac to the entire piece will solve this problem. This sealer serves as a good base on which to brush or spray on the color of paint that will blend best with your decor. You will then have an item that will lend a bright touch of interest to any room.

Antiques and Americana . . .

Carved Chairs

By George Michael Merrimack, New Hampshire

If an item is highly carved, does this necessarily mean that it is good? To label all carved furniture as good is a misconception that can cause some unhappiness in antiquing. It would be safe to say that over 90% of the carved furniture, such as is pictured, was done in the last century, or early in this century by machine. It is the hand carved piece that brings the high price as collectors want the work of an artist's hands, not that of a machine.

The chair pictured is an old one, dating back to the end of the 17th century and reflects the Portugese influence which was brought to England by a princess who married Charles II. It is hand done, so is important today because of the design, craftsmanship and age. However, durng the last century, there was a great revival in making furniture in 17th century designs, utilizing old wood that may have come from discarded buildings or windmills. Now that some are quite aged, it can be difficult for the novice to tell the 17th century piece from the 19th century reproduction. If you plan to buy furniture like this or have a piece in your home — have a good furniture appraiser check it out for you. It will pay dividends if you plan to invest money, or just want proper insurance protection for one you already own. Remember,



just because a piece of furniture is highly carved and fancy, it is not necessarily a good early antique.

QUESTIONS

From Adams, Massachusetts — I have a mandolin with the following wording: Francesco Donodoni, Fabbaciante, Piazza Garbaldi, Napoli, 82. When was it made?

ANSWER — This is a business that I believe is still active today. The great heyday for mandolins was the 1890-1930 period — it must have been made during those years.

From Farmington, New Hampshire — I have a four and one-half inch long spoon. In the bowl, is written: "U.S. Battleship, Maine," and includes a sketch of it. The back says COMP OLD GRIST MILL. What grist mill, and what year?

ANSWER — Commemorative spoons like this are still being made. Yours most likely is silver plated, and done early in this century. There is no way I can tell you what mill gave it away, but it does sound like a premium that may have been put in a bag of flour as an incentive to buy that brand.

From Milford, New Hampshire — I have a very old flask, olive green color, about five inches tall, uneven base which is pushed up — flask is ribbed. What is it?

ANSWER — This could have been made at many glassworks, including those that were nearby to you at Stoddard and Keene. Being ribbed, it could have come from Ohio. It must be seen to be judged.

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The National Auctioneers Association has begun a new fiscal year, but many State Associations are not affected by the July 1 thru June 30 year dates. Many conventions will be held by State Associations during the fall months and publication of the dates, hotel (with address) and city will be beneficial to the State Associations' membership.

Have your State Association Convention date listed in THE AUCTIONEER magazine. Write NOW to Harvey L. McCray, Executive Director, National Auctioneers Association, and publicize your State Convention date, hotel and city in the next issue (November) of THE AUCTIONEER.

October 30-31 — Iowa Auctioneers Association, Amana Colonies (just off of I-80).

November 13-14 — Washington State Auctioneers Association, Olympic Hotel, Seattle.

December 7-8 — Tennessee Auctioneers Association, Hilton Airport Inn, Nashville.

December 12 — Florida Auctioneers Association, Orlando.

January 9-10 — Indiana Auctioneers Association, Atkinson Hotel, Indianapolis.

January 28-29 — Pennsylvania Auctioneers Association, Host Inn, Harrisburg (Host Inn is just off the Pennsylvania Turnpike at the Harrisburg East Interchange). NOTE: Col. Clay C. Hess, Secretary, called to report the convention date change from that reported in the last issue, but the information came after the magazine was already in print.

New Jersey State Society of Auctioneers meets bi-monthly all year — October, December, February, April, June & August. If in the area call 201-944-1125 for location of meeting (Don Castner).

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New Jersey Auctioneers Hear About Largest Sale From Sotheby Parke-Bernet

One hundred and fifty New Jersey Auctioneers, with their wives and guests, gathered at The Molly Pitcher Inn in Red Bank, New Jersey, on Monday evening, August 2, to hear Col. Robert C. Woolley, Vice President of Sotheby Parke-Bernet, Inc., tell how he conducted the world's largest auction sale. He vividly and, in great detail, described the Auction of the Geraldine Rockefeller Dodge estate in Madison, New Jersey, last October. National newspapers carried news stories at that time, but Col. Woolley described to fellow auctioneers all the "behind the scene" activity!

With a staff of twenty assistants, he spent nearly five months preparing for the "on location" sale which lasted for five days. Additional sales of special items, such as jewelry

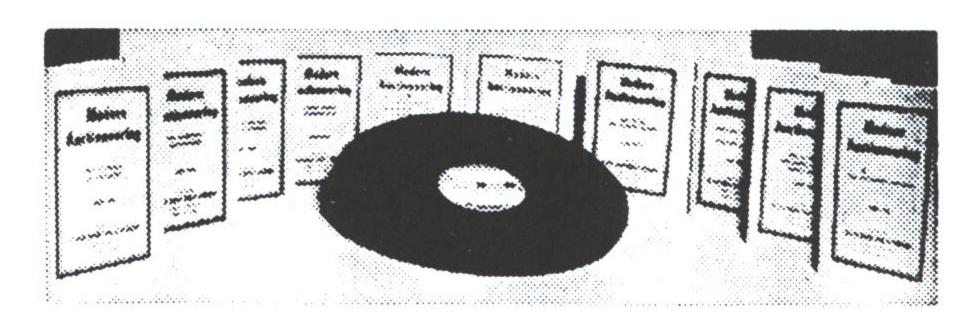


AUCTIONEERS WERE PRESENT from New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Maryland, Virginia, Connecticut, Michigan, Ohio and Missouri during the NJSSA Bi-Centennial meeting.

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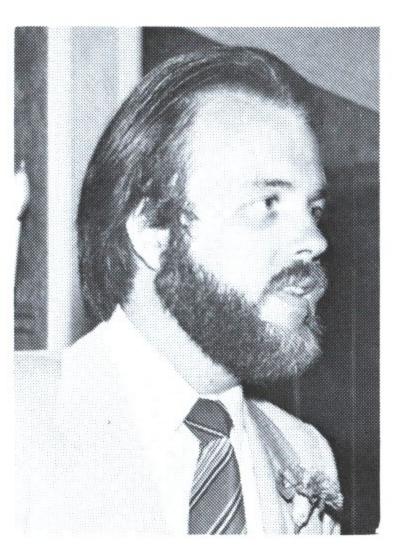
Box 949, Mason City, N. Iowa 50401 Colonel Gordon E. Taylor, President and Owner and bronzes, were moved to the New York Galleries and sold there. The total sale brought "around eight million dollars".

New Jersey Auctioneers meet bi-monthly, but this meeting was billed as their Bicentennial Meeting and hosted by B. G. Coats of Rumson, New Jersey, Dean of New Jersey Auctioneers. Don Castner, President of New Jersey State Society of Auctioneers, was master of ceremonies. Col. John Kachmar, Flemington, is Vice President and Ralph Day, Leonia, is long-time Secretary-Treasurer.

Auctioneer's guests came from Pennsylvania, Maryland, Missouri, New York and Connecticut.

Col. William J. "Bill" Josko, NAA Director, was also in attendance.

EDITOR'S NOTE: Thanks are being given to New Jersey State Society of Auctioneers members who sent articles to the NAA Office about the Red Bank meeting. Articles were received from NJSSA President Don Castner (who provided the information in the above article) and Secretary Ralph Day. Unfortunately the article was already prepared for printing before Secretary Day's information was received, but recognition is now being given for his support and efforts.



COL. ROBERT C. WOOLEY, Vice President of Sotheby, Parke Bernet, addressed the New Jersey Bi-Centennial meeting.



COL. O. RUNDLE GILBERT, well-known liquidator of large estates, spoke at the New Jersey Bi-Centennial meeting.



THE HEAD TABLE DIGNITARIES of the New Jersey State Society of Auctioneers included, from left to right, Ralph S. Day, NJSSA Secretary-Treasurer since 1955; Col O. Rundle Gilbert; Col. Robert C. Wooley; Col. B. G. Coats, co-founder of the NAA and founder of NJSSA; and Donald L. Castner, NJSSA President.

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As you know, the American Revolution began over taxation. Which leads me to think that the biggest step backward this Country ever took was from 1776 to 1040!

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OSAA "Auction-Aire"

Antique Household Goods Sale Conducted by Bertham Murton Boyum

Cols. Bertram and Murton Boyum conducted a nice antique and household goods auction on May 6, 1976, in Rushford, Minnesota and Bertram, the father, reports the results for the benefit of other auctioneers.

Some of the items sold and the prices were: two-piece walnut bedroom set with marble-top dresser — \$510; handworked quilt — \$55; twenty dollar gold coin — \$330; five dollar gold piece — \$102.50; a lady's watch chain with slide for \$51; and a gold lady's watch with hunting case for \$1.00.

Iowa Auctioneers Man Booth At 1976 Iowa State Fair

The Iowa Auctioneers Association was represented at the Iowa State Fair, as in years past, and again this year they had their most attractive red, white and blue booth in the Varied Industries Building.

The booth was opened each morning of the 12-day Fair at 9:00 a.m. and closed at 6:00 p.m. Several Association members daily took their turns of being in the booth for the day, talking to people, giving away spinning tops, which were inscribed, "Hire an Iowa Association Auctioneer!"

Different types of sales were displayed in large pictures at the back of the booth, which also included the complete list of members — listed by towns and a sign "Home of the National Auctioneer President — Col. Lyle Erickson, Cresco, Iowa."

Iowa gained several new members as interested auctioneers stopped by to visit the booth.

Mrs. Margaret Bloomer, Secretary lowa Auctioneers Association



COL. BERTRAM BOYUM auctions a two-piece walnut bedroom set with marble-top dresser (upper photo) and his son, Murton, shown at left in lower photo, helps sell a handworked quilt.





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COL. ROBERT CHAFFEE of Monson, Massachusetts, calls for a bid on a chair during the auction.



RESTING COMFORTABLY in the shade of the tent during the Chaffee auction were nearly 500 persons who filled the tent to capacity.

Seattle . . .

Just Like Heaven in '77

By Bob Losey, Chairman 1977 NAA Convention

I wish to welcome each and everyone of you to the great Northwest for the 1977 Seattle Convention. You will find the scenery exciting and the climate mild.

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I may be boasting, but I never have tired of the changing landscape that is my home!

Our city offers hours of things for the visitors to see. A skyrocketing ride up the Space Needle will offer you a panoramic view of this changing landscape. While you're at the grounds, which are a legacy of the '62 World's Fair, expect to spend several hours at the Science Pavillion; the Center House for food and shops; and the many exhibits all over the grounds. Ride the carnival attractions, purchase a ticket for a live performance, or walk across the street to the shops and restaurants.

Massachusetts Sale Totals \$6,500; 500 At Household Goods Auction

The temperature was 95 degrees, but the weather was considered outstanding and not hot by NAA Auctioneer Robert E. Chaffee of Monson, Massachusetts. Col. Chaffee is owner of the Robert E. Chaffee & Sons Auction Service and his letterhead states that his firm is, "Your Cheerful Auctioneers".

On April 17 at 10:00 a.m., the Chaffee Auction Service conducted a household goods and antiques auction and approximately 500 were in attendance and some of the items sold were: gingerbread clock — \$90; round oak table — \$250; bow front server — \$275; pine drop leaf table — \$100; Salem rocker — \$50; Salter's kitchen cabinet — \$175 and marble top step down dresser — \$140.





THE BUYERS look over the merchandise at the Chaffee Auction, conducted in May in Massachusetts. Proceeds from the sale grossed \$6,500 and the items sold were household goods and antiques.

We have three historical sections of town that are vastly interesting. Pioneer Square, the construction after our fire that has been restored, Pike Place Market, one of America's largest year around open farmers markets, and Chinatown, one of the largest in our country.

Walk along the water front to the cry of gulls and the tang of salt air. There are many shops and restaurants for your enjoyment, and our new city aquarium should be open by then.

We have a large, modern zoo situated in Woodland Park. Our Volunteer Park has a good size art museum, and the Museum of History & Industry is on the edge of our Arboretum.

Much Water to Enjoy

Within the city proper there are two nice sized lakes: Lake Union and Green Lake. But the Queen of them all is Lake Washington with 30 miles of shorelands, which form the eastern city limits of Seattle. There are two floating bridges that accommodate the commuters from the east side. On a bright windy day the sails dominate the power boats. There are numerous public beaches for swimming. And, thanks to our Metro project in the 50's, our waters are clear and unpolluted.

As a lifetime resident, I have never tired of showing my city to visitors. I am looking forward to throwing it open to my fellow Auctioneers and their families. If you have any questions you'd like answered on things you wish to see on your way here, please feel free to contact me, Col. Robert F. Losey, Sr., 808 S.W. 4th Pl., Renton, Washington 98055.

BATHING SUIT THIEF

A lady strolling on the beach was appalled at the brevity of a young girl's bikini. "Really," she said, "what would your mother say if she saw you in that suit?"

"She'd be pretty mad," the girl admitted, "It's hers."

Kansas City Sertoman

Book Auction Surprises Many Buyers Due to High Prices for Each Item!

By Marcia W. Zabriskie Sunderland, Massachusetts

"They're mad! They really are mad!" This was the way one New York book dealer summed up the atmosphere of enthusiasm at a recent book auction held at the Auction Galleries in Amherst, Massachusetts, as he left for the bus. He had put in a bid of \$15 for a certain book only to see it go for \$150. And he was a big book dealer from New York City, who apparently expected to make a fortune at this country auction, for he kept bidding, but each time was unsuccessful. He had taken four different buses to get there and had even walked from the bus station. His bids were losing battles, as all of them were much lower than the final sale price.

Apparently the factor which contributed most to making this the most exciting book auction in Bill Hubbard's ten years' career as an auctioneer, was that the entire collection was formerly in the library of the late Frederic March, noted star of stage and screen. Ray Murphy and Bill Hubbard, prominent auctioneers in the area, recount with the same degree of enthusiasm the excitement which characterized this auction, which attracted many diverse collectors, and which offered over 2,000 volumes. And young Chris Hubbard, Bill's son, an auctioneer in his own right who played a role that day too, echoes the same — "Wonderful auction — such fine people to deal with; best ones around."

March and his wife Florence Eldridge accumulated books on a wide selection of subjects for their library in Firefly Farm in New Milford, Connecticut.

The book in mint condition which brought the highest price of all — \$1,400 — was "Illustrations of the Book of Job" by William Blake. All the water-color designs, pencil drawings, and engravings in facsimile, with appropriate introduction were included. A protective box, which was the container, had helped to preserve the condition of this one.

A two-volume History of the Indian Tribes of North America with biographical sketches and anecdotes of the principal chiefs sold for \$1100 — a world record price! Within the two volumes were 100 portraits from the Indian Gallery in the War Department at Washington, D.C., including the famed "Buffalo Hunt". The originals of these were destroyed when the Smithsonian Institute burned in 1865.

It seems fair to conclude that The March home was a haven for many of the well-known playwrights and stars of the time. Numerous books were inscribed by famous personalities — always an intrigue to the bidder.

"Progress" in the Graphic Arts by T.

M. Cleland carried his inscription together with a two-page letter done in the decorative handwriting of this important book designer and illustrator. "The Burden and the Glory," by John F. Kennedy was the book which Jacqueline (Kennedy) Onassis inscribed. The Presidential seal was on the front cover and inside were invitations and place cards for a dinner honoring Mrs. Kenedy.

A top bid of \$1,150 went for "The Complete Works of Charles Dickens" in 20 volumes by Nonesuch Press — 1937-1938, in various colored buckram with leather labels. Three volumes were lacking to make the set complete, but included were such familiar titles as "Oliver Twist", "Tale of Two Cities", "David Copperfield", and "Pickwick Papers". Included in this purchase was the "original steel plate" engraved by Phiz (original illustrator).

It was hard to tell at times who was the more excited, the auctioneers or the bidders! Chris Hubbard finds amusement even now as he recalls when he was trying to sell a book by Swinburne, and he calls out loud and clear, SWINE-BURNE! These little moments of levity seem to be a part of every auction and a necessary ingredient.

Throughout the March library were superb reminders that Frederic March and his wife were favorites in the theater world, for every so often there would appear marked-up script copies used by them in their starring roles in the original production. One such example was copies of "Long Day's Journey Into Night" by Eugene O'Neill. Taped into Frederic March's copy were various pictures of the elder O'Neill, and inside were pages of notes March had made about O'Neill's father while studying the role. The three copies brought \$850. The first edition (1942) of "The Skin of Our Teeth", by Thorton Wilder, was another book in this part of the collection. Taped in the book was a Christmas card from the Wilders. The two Marches starred in the first production of this play.

Fine volumes from such noted presses as Nonesuch, Dove, and Kelmscott attracted much attention and called forth many bidders. Book lovers and book dealers found book treasures hard to come by at this auction. Such books as these belong in that category: "Odyssey of Homer" by Nonesuch Press, 1931, limited edition; Malory's "Morte d'Arthur" with Aubrey-Beardsley, illustrations, limited edition, 1909; "La Divina Commedia" by Dante — Nonesuch, limited edition; "News from Nowhere" by William Morris, Kelmscott Press, 1 of 300 copies; "Eusenbius Caesariensis, Chronicon" by Erhard Ratdolt, Venice, 1483; Nonesuch "Shakespeare", seven volumes, 1929-1933, bound in full niger morocco; "The British Atlas", complete set of county maps of England and Wales — 1810, 58 colored maps, 21 plans of cities, each with engraved vignette view; poems chosen out of the works of Robert Herrick, Kelmscott Press, 1895, printed in black and red on handmade paper; "Utopia", by Sir Thomas More, Kelmscott Press, 1893, 1 of 300 copies printed in red and black on handmade paper; "The Compleat Angler", Lee and Dove edition, 2 volumes, 1888; limited edition of 500 copies signed by R. B. Marston, editor.

There were cook books, biographies, travel, illustrated books, juveniles, antiques, history (local and otherwise), genealogies, and many, many others.

Book lovers in the area will remember this six and one-half hour auction for some time to come. Auctioneers Murphy and Hubbard will also remember it for a number of reasons: their bidders came from a wide area, all over New England and New York State and as far away as Washington, D.C.; and this was the largest audience they ever had at a book auction — approximately 350 as compared to about 100 usually. But the most exciting thing they will remember is how wrong they were when they estimated a total sale of \$18,000, when in reality the sales amounted to in excess of \$30,000!

"They're mad! They really are mad!"

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"I get up when the first ray of sunshine strikes my window."

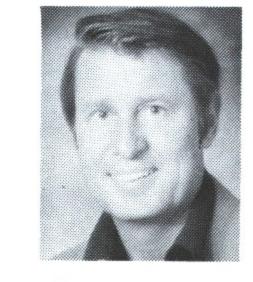
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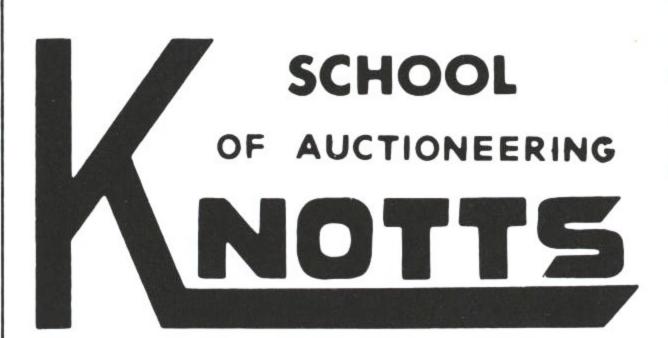
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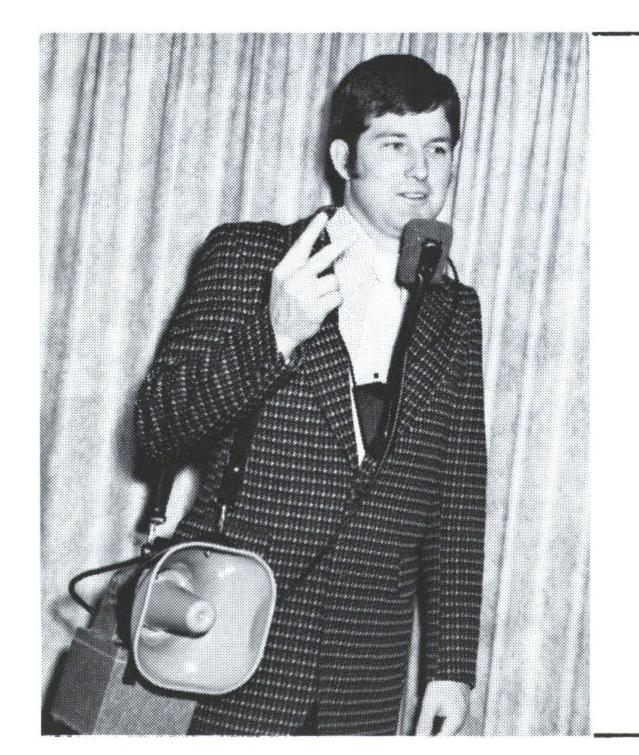
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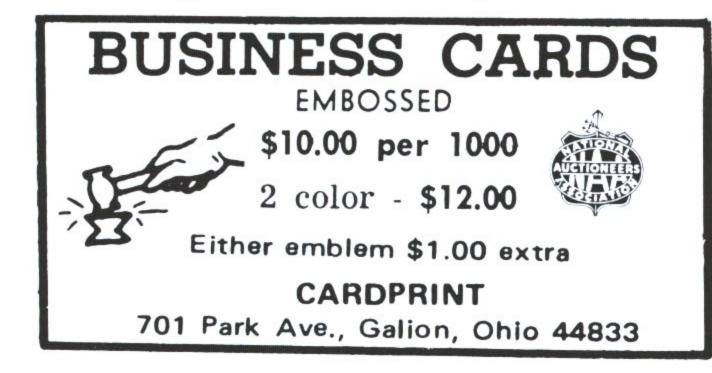
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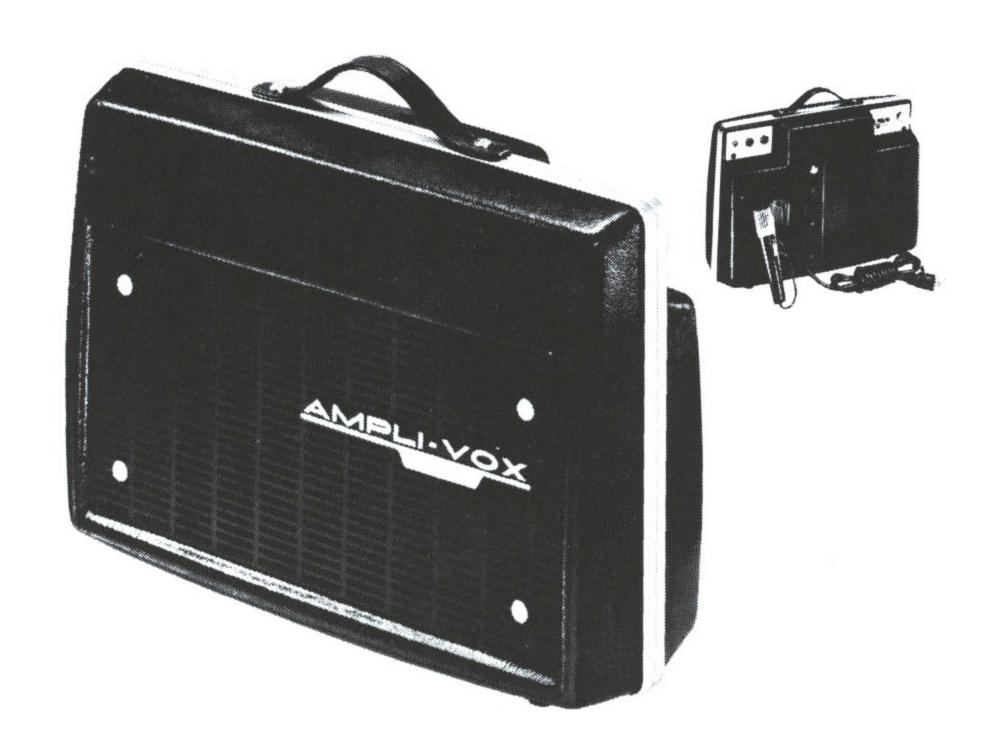


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