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ACROSS THE AUCTION BLOCK

Bidders were Ford Tough at dealership auction

BY NANCY KELLY

BELLAIRE, Mich. — Nostalgia and collectability won out over practicality at this auction for the inventory of an 83 year old Ford farm equipment dealership. Wiliam Sell and Son started the business in 1940, and the son Bob Sell was still the owner for this sale. Within the

891 lots of this online good condition. The highauction conducted by Brad Neuhart Auctioneers there were numerous tools and useable parts, but the vintage signs, toys, and other memorabilia took center stage. The prices here do not include the buyer's premium.

Several signs were used over the years, and many survived in very

the concept of colorful labels

to America, and lithographic

labels soon were the rage,

commercial art. The goal

was easy: use bold colors and

images to catch the

customer's eye and promote

the

first

becoming



Above: This rare green and white metal Ford Tractor Ferguson System Authorized Dealer sign, was claimed with a high bid of \$2,050.

est earning prize was a blue and white square sign that was mounted on a 10-foot-tall post. The 3-foot square sign read Ford Tractor Equipment and looked ready to be put back into service today. It earned a final bid of \$4,100.

The second highest selling sign was a huge Ford Tractor Equipment dealership sign that consisted of two panels, each measuring 5 by 10 feet. Still mounted on the dealership wall, this highly desirable relic was taken with a final bid of \$2,750.

The next sign represented the historic partnership between Ford and Ferguson. The Ford company teamed up with Ferguson to market wheelless implements such as plows and cultivators that could be eas-

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Above: Still mounted on the dealership wall, this vintage sign pulled a final bid of \$2,750.



Above: Collectors of vintage Ford items battled over this blue Ford chainsaw cover. It was still sealed in the original package and finished with a final bid of \$830



Above: Drawing the most interest in the sign category, this 13-foottall outdoor display earned a final bid of \$4,100.

FEATURE

More than a label; these are truly works of art European artists introduced

BY LARRY LEMASTERS

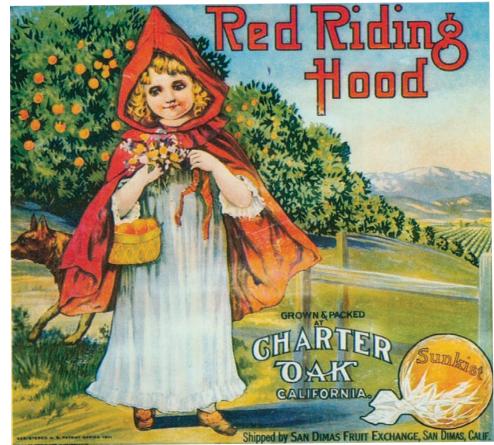
Colorful paper labels have been used to identify the contents of fruit crates since the early 1880s when the Revolution Industrial changed commerce forever.



Right: This 1920s Red **Riding Hood Sunkist** Orange fruit crate label is cross-collectible.

USA-grown fruit as superior to European-grown fruit.

As the fruit market grew larger each season, immense competition at the local markets erupted. Orchard owners, mostly in California, used lithographic labels to bring attention to their fruit. Labels quickly appeared on cedar crates full of fruit and vegetables. In the 1950s, the development of pre-printed cardboard boxes forced expensive wooden crates with paper labels into extinction. Even before the first cardboard box fell off the assembly line, historians and collectors, recognizing their importance, were scrounging old barns and



Above: This 1920s Gladiola Flower fruit crate label, in mint condition, is valued at about \$20.

See Fruit Crate page 8



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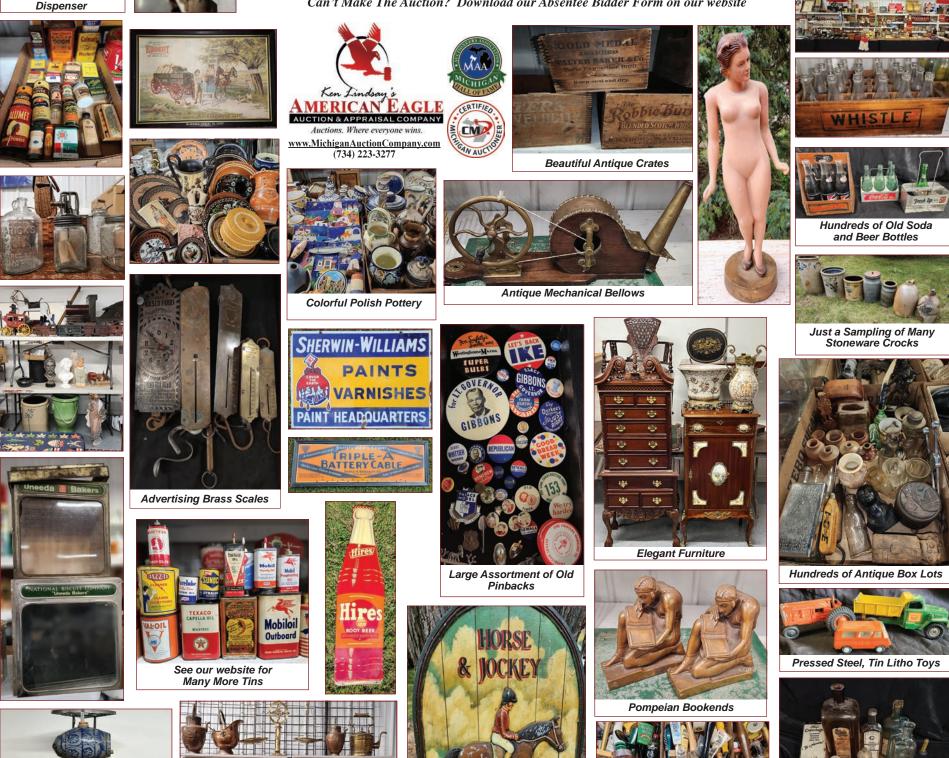
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Stoneware



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HUDSON, MI 49247

<u>1964 CORVETTE - PONTOON - LONG GUNS - BOAT - CANOE</u> <u>ANIMAL MOUNTS - TOOLS</u>

Red 1964 Corvette Stingray, soft & hard tops, engine replaced, good running and great looking-83238 miles; 1991 Suncruiser 24 ft. pontoon w/25 HP Johnson, nice condition w/trailer & cover; 12 ft.V front row boat; 16 ft. alum. Aerocraft canoe; Moose & Elk shoulder mounts; Black Bear - Wolf & coyote full mounts; Noble model 20G-22-SS rifle; Winchester 70-300 magnum rifle; Roberts 257-BA rifle; Mossberg 12 ga. Slugster-pump; Royal Damascus DBBL-16 ga.; Cummins 177 air rifle; JC Higgins 16 ga. BA; Remington model 34-22- BA-rifle; Weatherby Mark 378 magnum rifle; Winchester model 90-22 pump rifle; Union Made-steel DBBL 10 ga, (needs work); misc. reload items; lots of fishing tackle-etc.; **TOOLS:** open/box inc. Snap-On; socket sets; hand & garage tools; parts cabinets-etc.; battery & elec. tools; metal storage cabinet; small knife collection; Snap-On gold ring; NRA belt buckles & a Gold Eagle pin; battery chargers; coolers; shop vac; lawn care items; gas edger; roto tiller; Simplicity 16 HP = front cut mower w/bagger-runs good; Simplicity 14 HP lawn tractor-fair; lots of misc.

HOUSEHOLD - PLAYER PIANO - PIANO ROLLS - FURNITURE

C. Kurtzmann player piano (needs repairs); Approx. 70 -80 + piano rolls; California King bed w/nightstands & dresser (nice); Queen size bed w/BA & mattress; old HP Banquet lamp (electrified); 3 cushion hide a bed; patio table; misc. holiday decorations; small kitchen appliances-dishes-pots-pans-etc.; Brothers portable sewing machine; lamps; good clean household. **NOTE:** Selling tools first-guns mounts-boat-canoe-Pontoon then the Corvette about 1:00 PM to 1:30 PM, then to Household. Be on Time, Nice auction.

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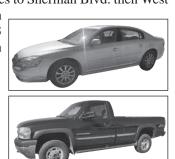
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¹/₂ mile. OR from Grand Rapids take M-37 North 10 miles to 13 Mile Rd. (Sparta), straight West 13 miles to Moorland Rd. North 3 miles to Sherman Blvd., West ¹/₂ mile.

RAVENNA, **MI** 49451 **4** (Muskegon Co.)

Held to settle the estate of the late Lyle Sugarbaker, a 99 year lifelong area resident. Overview includes:



AUCTION: 1114 CO RD K SWANTON, OH 43558

Real Estate Offered @ 10am Followed by Contents

Truck: 1999 Ford F-250, 1 owner, very solid!! 2wd, reg. cab, long bed, 73,405miles, 5.4 Triton, V-8, well cared for! **Tractors & Lawn Mowers:** John Deere 720 gas nf, 3-point, power steering, running, sn: 7227109; I.H. Farmall Super H, stage 1, nf, running, sn: 5204; Ferris IS7002 zero turn, 61" cut, B & S 27hp, used 4 seasons; John Deere 316 lawn tractor, hydro, 50" cut;

Equipment: Troy Built Harley rototiller; Wood Cadet MD184 D point rotary cutter, 84" cut; Rhino 3point back blade; 4 Frazer rototillers; lawn roller; John Deere 3 bottom land plow; trim mowers; 2 fuel tanks; paddle boat;

<u>Firearms:</u> Tools & Garage Items: pallet jacks; Lincoln AC 225 welder; Dayton 6000-watt generator; bench grinders; floor drill press; 2" gas pumps; chairs; lots of hand tools, wrenches, sockets; yard tools;

<u>Antiques & Collectibles</u>: Oak- bed, round table; calendar clock; pink opalescent hanging lamp; barn items; canning jars & bottles; household items.

<u>**Terms:**</u> Cash or check w/ID, 3% processing fee on credit/debit cards. Lunch by Sandy's. Order of sale: Selling in 2 rings, 1 selling firearms, tools & barn items while another selling household & misc. Truck, tractors & mowers selling @ 12noon.

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2016 JCB 260 Skid Steer Loader 2016 Kubota SSV65 Skid Steer Loader

- 2014 Volvo L60G Wheel Loader
- 2005 Caterpillar D3G XL Dozer
- 1999 John Deere 120 Excavator
- 1998 Komstsu D32P-1 Dozer

John Deere 4066M Tractor with LoaderWide variety of skid steer attachments

<u>Lawn Equipment</u>

• 2019 Exmark X-Series Lazer Z 96" Commercial Zero Turn 2019 Exmark Staris S-Series Stand On Zero Turn
2018 Exmark Lazer Z Series 60" Zero Turn
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A wide variety of lawncare tools

<u>Trucks</u>

(2) 2018 Ram 5500
2012 Ford F-550 Reefer Box Truck
2006 International 4300 Stake Truck
2006 Ford F-250 XL Super Duty
1999 Mack CH613 Semi

Plus Much More

ANTIQUE TRUCK: RESTORED 1928 International Model Six-Speed Special 1-ton stake truck Restored by Lyle and completed in 2003 (no title). IHC truck parts **TRUCK & AUTO:** 2002 GMC Sierra SLE 2500HD 4X4, ³/₄ ton, single cab, 8' box, 48k 1-owner miles; 2011 Buick Lucerne CXL, V6 auto **TRACTORS & EQUIPMENT:** 1961 International 560 diesel; 1971 Case 580 Construction King diesel backhoe/loader; 1955 Ferguson TO-35; Shop built 7'10"X16'+3' beavertail deck over tandem axle equipment trailer; 3pt & other older farm equipment, Lots of scrap iron **GUNS:** Win 94 30WCF lever; Win 62 .22 pump; Springfield 67F 20ga pump **SHOP & LAWN ITEMS:**

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ily mounted on a Ford tractor and make the tasks of farming more efficient and productive. This partnership led to the development of the Ferguson hydraulic system and the three-point hitch that then revolutionized the way equipment could be attached to tractors and operated. The partnership did not last, but this sign advertising it was still available. The green and white, 2 by 3 foot metal Ford Tractor Ferguson System Authorized Dealer sign was claimed with a final bid of \$2,050 despite some rust and damage.

A small but mighty



Above: Items bearing the name of the dealership were popular, including this William Sell & Son thermometer that was taken with a final bid of \$83.

plastic sign was also very much in demand. Due to its fragile make up, most signs like this one have been broken over the years, making it hard to find. This 28 inch long by 11 inch tall lighted Ford Tractor Service red arrow pointed the way to the service department. Despite some minor damage, it was still very collectible and drew a final bid of \$1,075.

A couple of other dealership-related items also proved to be very popular. A fascinating wall-mount, multi-page catalog measuring 24 by 36 inches included pages dedicated to tractors, numerous implements, and accessories. It had two pages touting the Ford Tractor exclusive Proof Meter to monitor such things as hours worked, tractor speed in all gears, and PTO speed. This feature was introduced in the early 1950s. Still in very good condition, the catalog was eagerly claimed with a final bid of \$1.475. Another collectible from the dealership, potentially a dealer meeting award toy, was a gold Ford 6000 Commander 1/12 scale tractor. It had a 1 inch diameter gold Select-O-Speed medallion clipped to the steering wheel that read "Greatest tractor advantage since hydraulics, Ford Tractors". This very rare treasure earned a high bid of \$1,425.



Above: While this Grasshopper 620 mower showed only 145 hours of service, it was still in use at the time of the sale. It was eagerly claimed with a final bid of \$2,850.



Above: Relatively small but very desirable, this 28-inch-long lighted plastic Ford Tractor Service red arrow drew a final bid of \$1,075 despite some minor damage.

An antique wood carousel horse provided an interesting addition to the sale. It showed handhewed marks, measured 72 by 79 inches, and came complete with a stand. Patriotically decorated with American flags and other emblems, the paint and wood were all in excellent condition. It was taken home with a final bid of \$1,025. Many toy tractors and cars were presented, but the most impressive toy was a remote-control Ford 4000 forklift with pallet and cargo box that was claimed for \$710.

There was Grasshopper 620 mower with a 52-inch deck and Kohler gas engine. It showed only 145 hours of use, but the description stated that the hours would go up as it was still in service. This high quality and powerful mower was claimed with a final bid of \$2,850. Other equipment also sold well, including a Porter Cable 60-gallon air compressor for \$455, a Ford 715A 5-foot, 3pt. PTO snowblower with hydraulic angle chute for \$450, and a like-new Honda EU1000 generator that finished at \$245.

There were a few keepsakes bearing the dealership name. Those included a William F. Sell and Son thermometer for \$83, a mixed lot of hats and clothing that left for \$115, plus golf balls, pens, matchbooks, and cups. A Ford Workmaster and



Above: This impressive remote-control Ford 4000 forklift with pallet and cargo box toy model proved popular, with a final bid of \$710.

Powermaster dealer-only tie was taken for \$125, and a lot consisting of Ford New Holland suspenders, a Ford tie, and a Ford Tractor bolo necktie rose to \$210.

Collectors of vintage Ford items had a bidding war over a blue chainsaw cover. It was still sealed in the original package and was labeled as a chainsaw cover for a Ford Hawk, Eagle-I or Eagle-II. The part number JAD1702 was also prominently displayed. This unusual offering proved highly competitive, finishing with a final bid of \$830.

There are several more great auctions coming up that can be found on Brad Neuhart's website at https://www.bradneuhart.com/



Above: This Ford 3pt. PTO snowblower was a less common implement offered at this auction. It drew a final bid of \$450.



Above: This handsome carousel horse decorated in a patriotic theme was claimed with a final bid of \$1,025.



Above: Potentially a dealer meeting award, this toy gold Ford 6000 Commander 1/12 scale tractor with commemorative gold medallion earned a high bid of \$1,425.

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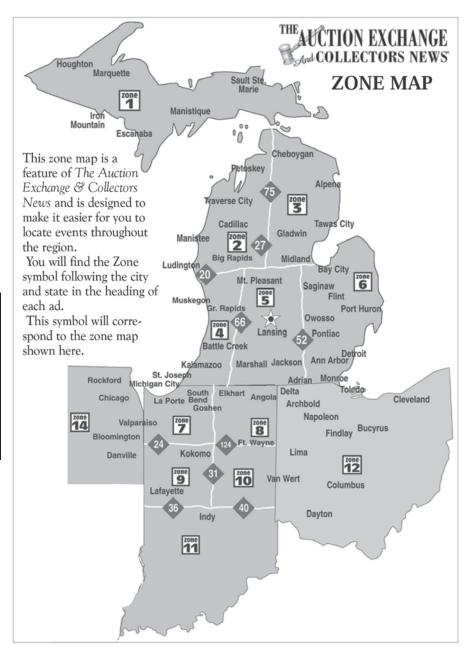
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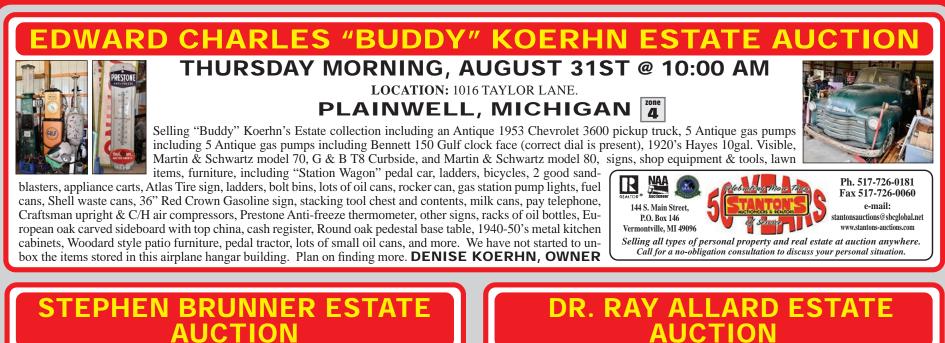


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A very large and diversified auction. Excellent 2011 Mercedes Benz AMG-55 Wagon with 47,000 miles in very good condition; John Deere XUV 4WD 625i Gator with cab & 181 hrs., L&G tools, log splitter on trailer, J.D. X740 diesel riding mower with deck, sprayer, lawn trailers, leaf vacuum system, pole saw, mowers, Little wonder 13HP leaf blower, pressure washer, compressors, sprayers, chain saws, rototiller, cement mixer (3 pt.), 3 pt. rototiller, Case sickle bar mower, acetylene tanks, power pipe threader, benders, etc. siding brake, , ammo boxes, camping equip., Shop equipment w/



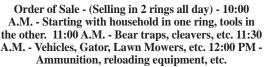
jointer, ladders, collection of fire axles and cleavers, a great group of Bear Traps ranging from medium to large sizes, Metal lathe, Brass train and other bells, wall bells, A Commercial Mill rite Commercial mill, Cut off and power hack saw, Miller welders, Grizzly table saw, A good group of Snap-On and various tools and Snap On tool cabinets, machinist chest, etc., Excellent and large Gun safe, an excellent group of high end reloading equipment, Automatic skeet thrower on trailer, there is a large amount of ammunition, Bullseye sights, 2 wheel trailer, home furnishings (living, dining & bedroom), refrigerators, flatscreen tv, some pottery, furniture, a good group of depression glass, pottery (McCoy & Shawnee), figural boudoir lamps, etc. Also, a desirable John Deere Large dealer sign - Martin and Bruner, Athens, Michigan; Porcelain Walgreen sign, 2014 Audi 4-door automobile in good condition, however there may be an issue the title. 300- & 500-gallon fuel tanks, small gas pump, lots more. Also added: 2001 Chevrolet Silverado 2500 HD with extended Cab, v8, 6.0 Vortec engine, 161,476 miles, automatic, power steering, tilt wheel, power windows & locks, cruise control and towing package. Forest green color with gray interior and pickup box cover. This is huge sale, with many different categories.





nity. 2001 Plymouth Prowler and trailer, 2005 Mazda RX8, 1995 Customized Jeep Wrangler, 2006 Porsche Cayman, 1995 Harley Davidson FLHT motorcycle, 2003 Chevy S pickup, 1996 GMT-400 pickup, 1994 Chevrolet pickup, 2000 Chevy Silverado pickup, 1998 Chevrolet Astro Van, 1992 Geo tracker convertible, 2001 Georgie Boy "Pursuit" Motor Home, 1995 Toyota Corolla, 1990 Honda Accord, 2006 Honda Ridgeline pickup, 2006 Ford F-350 pickup, 1979 Dodge pickup, John Deere 4x4 XUV 590M Gator, 2 Go Carts, tools, pressure washer, pole saw, John Deere X728 Ultimate tractor w/#45 front end loader, 3 kayaks, Toro ZMaster 27 HP Zero-Turn mower, backpack blower, Toro rear tine Pony rototiller, J.D. 445 riding mower, some home furnishings and personal items. The vehicles range from excellent (Porsche, Prowler, Mazda, Jeep, motorcycle) to the older exam-















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Above: This Appeal Lemon Brand fruit crate label from 1915 is rare for its use of the cooked product in the label.

Fruit Crate FROM PAGE 1

warehouses, looking for

unused stocks of fruit crate labels.

As the desire to collect fruit crate labels, as both a thing of value and a work of art, grew, a secondary market developed for them. Today, collectors continue to seek out these paper-bits of history.

California's image of a Garden of Eden, springing forth with a bountiful harvest of oranges, lemons, and grapes first appeared on fruit crate labels. Not only were the images of the labels beautiful, but also the people looked healthy and happy and California appeared like the true Promise Land. Nearly 50 years after the first fruit crate label touted a California Utopia, thousands of Americas headed west during the Great Depression, their hopes fueled by the fruit crate images they had seen. It is arguable that there would have been no Grapes of Wrath had fruit crate labels never existed. But exist they did, and they were truly in their heyday during the dustbowl of the 1930s.

Age is one of the primary factors in determining value for fruit crate labels. The oldest --- and because of age, the rarest labels date back to the 1880s. Orchards chose San Francisco lithographers to produce the needed labels

was Max Schmidt, a young German immigrant who had some knowledge of producing labels for wine bottles.

Salesman/artist teams called "scissor men," who could create label designs on the spot from sketches and cutouts from stock designs, created Schmidt's earliest fruit crate labels. Schmidt traveled throughout the orchard areas of California, looking for customers and designing some of the earliest fruit crate labels. In 1898, Schmidt helped found the Mutual Litho Company. Today, collectors search for labels made by Mutual between 1898 and 1906, when the Great San Francisco Earthquake destroyed the factory. These exceedingly rare fruit crate labels can be identified by the company name printed in the lower left-hand corner.

Design also plays an important part in the value of fruit crate labels. Labels from orange crates were more imaginatively designed than labels from other fruit crates: therefore, orange labels are more valued today. Also, California labels are generally worth more than labels promoting Florida or Texas fruit.

Age of a label can also be discerned in its design. Fruit crate labels from the 1880s through the late 1920s had highly detailed, picturesque scenes with a 3-dimensional effect. These type of labels are considered rare and, if their rarity. In the late

1920s, advertising art in general changed, becoming simpler, flatter, and bolder - similar to what we would consider "poster art." Poster art fruit crate labels, while highly collectible, seldom bring as much on the

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and the most famous of all of found, their prices reflect these early lithographers



Above: Rare, 1928 Art Deco Sunkist fruit crate label with Peacocks. In mint condition it is valued at \$60.

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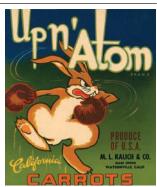
secondary market as the detailed, earlier labels.

Updated labels often attract collectors of social history. Updated labels are ones that the basic label design does not change but details — such as changes in art, clothing styles, or architecture — reflect the ever-changing social trends of humanity.

Wartime labels are specialty labels that many collectors like to look for. Some collectors make wartime labels the primary focus of their fruit crate label collections, searching out labels from the Spanish-American War, World War I, and World War II.

Other specialty label collections include Western themes with cowboys roping oranges, famous men such as Buffalo Bill, gold miners, scouts, and even Indians, especially on the Indian Belle Brand of fruit. and pirate themes, which are mainly found on Florida fruit.

Many collectors have concentrated their efforts on California landmarks, such as the 1932 Los Angeles Olympics stadium and the Palomar Observatory. One unusual category of labels are those that depict a homemaker actually cooking or serving the fruit on the label, such as the rare 1915 Appeal Brand lemon label showing a woman cutting a



Above: "Up n' Atom" California Carrots fruit crate label. This rabbit would rather fight than switch brands.

lemon meringue pie.

Fruit crate labels also have crossover appeal as shown by the Red Riding Hood labels printed from 1911 to the 1930s. The label shown here depicts Red Riding Hood carrying a basket of oranges to Grandma's house. Anyone who collects Red Riding Hood items would love to own this enchanting fruit label.

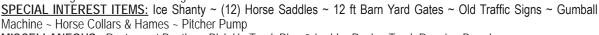
Label conditions vary, depending on whether the label was ever used on a crate or if it was found, unused in a stash of labels. Many labels are found still attached to the crate heads (the ends of the old wooden packing crates).

Most fruit crate labels measure approximately 10 inches by 10 inches and today the price for one runs from about \$15 for an average one to many hundreds of dollars for a rare one.

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Newsboy badges bring history to light

BY RICHARD K. LODGE

Forget the Hummel statue of the pink-cheeked newsboy reading his newspaper. Kick that plush Disney "Newsie" bear toy to the curb.

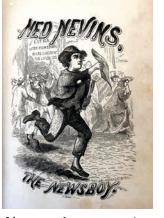
To be serious about collecting items that tell the colorful story of America's newsboys you need to Below: Two badges relating to newsboy unions and one, from 1941, permitting the bearer to sell newspapers or engage in other street trades "outside of school time."



know some history.

One image of newsboys that might come to mind stems from 19th century author Horatio Alger who painted a "rags to riches" picture of a bedraggled, barefoot newsboy hawking papers on a street corner to earn money for his widowed mother. In that popular myth, the newsboy sells a paper to a sympathetic Wall Street banker or oil baron. That man admires the boy's empathy and determination maybe seeing his younger self in the boy's eyes – and gives him a break, which changes the youngster's life forever.

"In the 1840s and '50s there were juvenile authors focusing on that kind of bootstrap message," according to Vincent DiGirolamo, an author and history professor at Baruch College of the City University of New York.



Above: An engraving inside the cover of the 1866 book "Ned Nevins the Newsboy."

"They became like temperance or religious tracts, where the father is an abusive alcoholic and the kid is the virtuous one" who supports the family.

DiGirolamo literally wrote the book on this era called "Crying the News: A

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Newsboy Badges FROM PAGE 10

History of America's Newsboys," published in 2019.

Like books by Alger and his contemporaries, early silent movies also perpetuated the image of the virtuous newsboy. "That taps into a prevalent myth in American culture: Hard work, the ordinary kid and the capitalist system that allows him to show his true grit," DiGirolamo says. "Upward mobility is a central tenet. Ironically the most exploited, the most endangered in society become symbols of this unlimited opportunity."

In reality, newsboys (and a few girls) as young as age 6 took to the streets of American cities in the early 1800s to earn a few pennies a day selling newspapers. Long before laws were passed to protect children in the workplace, youngsters made up a large and easily exploited labor force for the newspaper industry. Newsboys helped publishers' bottom lines while keeping readers informed of the latest "Extra!" on everything from the '49er miners and the California Gold Rush, to the stock market crash of 1929.

DiGirolamo says the thirst for news during the early days of the Civil War spurred large numbers of boys to become newspaper hawkers for a penny or two per copy. Although many people considered trouble-making them street urchins, DiGirolamo says newsboys were "more welcomed than disparaged" as they yelled out headlines to lure customers to buy the latest papers, hot off the presses.

But with more children selling newspapers, politicians and educators worried that youngsters were skipping school and being exposed to street vices, including gambling, smoking, drinking and prostitution. To address those con-



Above: A photo of newsboys taken by crusading photographer Jacob Riis, who fought to improve the living and workplace conditions for poor people and children in the late 1800s and early 1900s. (Photo by Jacob Riis, Wikimedia Commons)

cerns, many cities started requiring newsboys to be licensed, with a stipulation they not sell newspapers during school hours. For example, in 1874 the Minneapolis Tribune editorialized for a local ordinance requiring newsboys to "wear some badge of their public office" as a way to control their number and behavior.

Mistreatment by publishers, and the struggle to get more of a share of the profits, led to union organizing and scores of newsboy strikes from the mid-1800s well into the 1900s. The 1899 newsboy strike in New York City was the basis for Disney's "Newsies, The Musical," which opened on Broadway in 2012, with its souvenir "Newsie" bear toys.

The rise of child labor laws around 1900 led to further limits on the hours when children could work, and the minimum age of newsboys and girls. Even as late as the 1930s, the limits on newsgirls were far more stringent than on boys. A 1934 "minor's license" issued in Somerville, Massachusetts, stated, "No boy under twelve and no girl under eighteen shall ... sell, expose or offer for sale any newspapers, magazines, periodicals or exercise the trade of bootblack or scavenger in any street or public place."

By 1900, more than half of the 45 states then in the union had adopted child labor laws, although most of those were aimed at factory work, not the street trades of newsboys and shoe-shining bootblacks. By 1902, Massachusetts had passed a statewide regulation giving authority to license newsboys and girls to the Boston school board, a practice that spread to at least 10 other Bay State cities by 1906.

Eventually, as daily newspapers shifted to early morning home delivery by adult drivers on suburban routes, the traditional newsboy jobs faded away. Today, of course, most people who read a newspaper see it on their computer or phone. But the rich history of some 150 years of newsboys as regular fixtures on every street corner lives today in the wealth of newsboy badges, pinbacks, books and artwork available to collectors.

At the lower end, a collector can expect to pay \$10-25 for one of the more common Toledo Newsboy Association badges, which were issued in the 1890s.

Below: A group of items related to the Toledo Newsboys Association, which was created by John Gunkel, shown in the postcard. The membership card number of 810 matches the badge. The two Masonite licenses, issued for the 1932-33 year, are a rare find, since most newsboy badges were stamped from metal.

The association was formed by John E. Gunckel, dubbed "the Newsboys Friend" who founded the National Newsboys Association of America as a charity to help young street vendors. That association also led to formation of newspaper "goodfellow" groups, made up of civic leaders and businessmen who had sold newspapers as youths. Each year the men would don canvas newspaper bags and hawk souvenir newspapers to raise money for charities. Although the days of the goodfellows ended in the 1950s and '60s, the "Goodfellows Day" badges they sported show up frequently online and sell for as little as \$5-10 each. Keep in mind these were badges worn for promotional fundraisers, not 100-yearold newsboy licenses.

Detroit issued newsboy pinback-style celluloid badges in the late 1800s that bore the year and city seal. Because of the fragile nature of the badges, one in good shape can sell for \$100 to \$300.

Many badges issued by school boards or city departments display the year of issue, the name of the city or town and a number assigned to that particular newsboy. Some badges, especially in New York State, were made with a rectangular opening through which the boy's signature was displayed. That requirement was meant to cut down on



Above: A foot-high cardboard Boston Herald chromolithograph from 1884 declaring the papers circulation at the time. This would have been used as a counter display.

boys sharing or renting their badges to unlicensed hawkers.

New York and Massachusetts communities were zealous when it came to requiring newsboy badges from the late 1800s until the 1960s. In general, the smaller the community issuing the badge, the fewer badges issued and the scarcer the item is on the collectibles market. A badge issued by a town of 5,000 -which might have had just one or two newspapers and a few dozen newsboys-would be harder to find than one issued in the cities of Boston or New York, where thousands of newsboys, most of them wearing official badges, worked the street corners.

Newsboy union movements led to creation of campaign buttons for those running for a union office. Those buttons are scarce, with price tags north of \$50.

Some of the larger city newspapers held summer outings for their legions of newsboy to both reward the kids and discourage any rumblings by unhappy newsies about forming a union. Often, those outings featured swimming, track and field events, and even tug-o-war competitions, with medals and ribbons awarded to winners. Those awards are quite scarce and sometimes carry a date, which increases the value. Collectors can expect to pay \$50 or more if they find



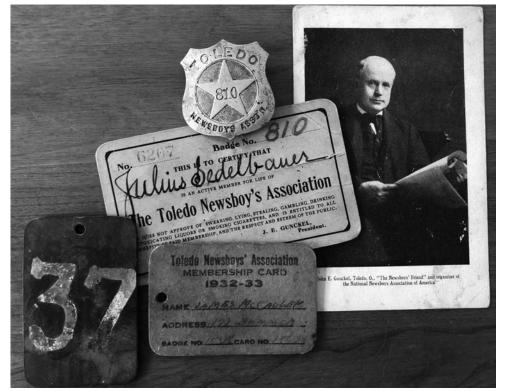
Above: Two paper newsboy permits from the city of Somerville, Massachusetts, and a metal badge that was issued to a person to sell newspapers in the city.

Collectors can also hunt for engravings of newsboys which were used in editorial cartoons or illustrations in such mainstream newspapers as Harper's Weekly and Leslie's Illustrated. Engravings from those early newspapers tend to be very affordable (around \$10-50 each) and suitable for framing, as well. Besides the Horatio Alger series of books, a handful of other authors published tales of newsboy life as well. Most volumes can be found in the \$10-25 range.

The serious collector can also keep an eye out for metal tip trays showing newsboy images, which are quite rare. The trays were placed on the counter of a newsstand to collect the few pennies or a nickel left when someone would buy a paper. A colorful example of a Boston Herald tip tray from the early 1900s can sell for \$100.

"Newsboys were the product of the existing economy to which they had no choice but to adjust," DiGirolamo says. "They were both winners and victims, not above taking advantage of customers by, for example, dirtying their faces to make people feel sorry for them. They reflected the complex, busy society they were part of. They were not islands of individualism and moral character, but necessary participants in penny capitalism."

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Below: An Oswego, N.Y., newsboy badge issued by the school department. This type of badge had a slot on the back to hold a signed paper permit for a boy or girl to sell newspapers.



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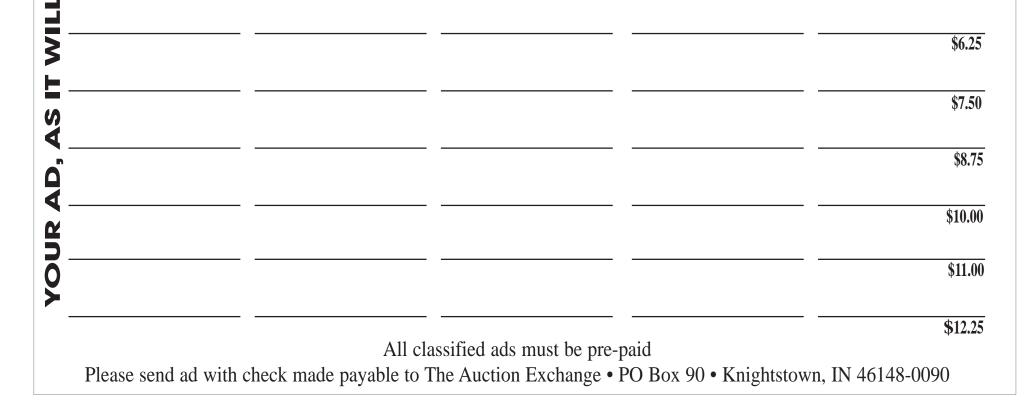
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