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ACROSS THE AUCTION BLOCK

Buyers turn out for auctioneer Jerry Grogg event

BY HALEY
FILHART

LAGRANGE, Ind — On the crisp, 19-degree morning of Saturday, Nov. 30, auctioneer Robert Mishler looked out over a crowd bun-



dled in winter garb as he made opening announcements for the personal property auction of Jerry and Anneliese Grogg. “The reason Jeff [Burlingame]’s here, I’m here, all of us are here is because of one guy, and that’s Jerry Grogg. Listen up and listen close...you’ve all heard this before,” he announced as he held his cell phone to the mic and hit the play button. Jerry Grogg’s familiar baritone voice, recorded at home that same morning, greeted the crowd just as it had for

Left: Collectible Roseville pottery pieces included this Roseville Clematis jardiniere with both the planter and pedestal (\$475)

innumerable auctions in the past — “Ladies and gentlemen I’d like to welcome each one of you to the sale today.”

For the last 60 years, the name Jerry Grogg has been a recognizable one for those familiar with the auction circuit in LaGrange County and the surrounding area. Following in his father’s footsteps — a prominent auctioneer in Noble and Kosciusko counties — Jerry set out to establish himself in the auction industry in 1962, a year after attending Reppert Auction School. He founded Jerry Grogg Inc., an auction and real estate company that gained the reputation of fulfilling the promise that his slogan advertised — “We sell the earth and everything on



Above: This 1955 Chevrolet 3200 pickup was as clean as a whistle and said to drive like a dream. It’s new owner paid \$30,000 without a second thought.

it.” Known for his likeable personality and straightforward business approach, those who worked with him attributed much of his success to his attitude that everything was important, whether it was a small household auction, a farm sale, or a larger scale real estate

transaction.

In 1998, Jeff Burlingame bought Jerry Grogg, Inc., but its namesake was far from ready for retirement. He continued to work with his associates, Jeff Burlingame, Dallas Martin, and Robert Mishler until 2015, when he retired. Even in

retirement, Jerry could be found frequenting auctions in the area and lending a hand if need be and would likely still be doing so had his health allowed it. On the morning of November 30, Mishler explained that due to

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FEATURE

Storks have been ringing in the New Year for centuries

BY LARRY
LEMASTERS

Postcards are, normally, an accurate glimpse of the historical times they



Above: This 1910 postcard depicts a stork bringing new baby to “Old Man Time.” This embossed card has a divided back and is valued at \$6.

were printed in. Each generation of people print postcards depicting the likes and norms of that generation, including the mythology and superstitions of that generation and generations from the past. Today’s postcards have taken a considerable amount of time to evolve. Some six generations of people have come and gone during the historical lifetime of postcards, making them both simple and complex examples of times gone by.

Postcards became hugely popular in the early 20th century, roughly 1890 — 1915, since postcards represented a quick and easy way for family and friends to stay in touch, especially in the days before the telephone.

As early as 1910, peo-

ple started placing postcards in hope chests and drawers, saving the cards. Today, the hobby of collecting postcards is called deltiology, and it is one of the largest groups of paper collectibles in the world. Collectors or deltiologists as they are called collect nearly every type of postcard ever manufactured, including many holiday cards such as Christmas, Easter, 4th of July, Mother’s Day, and New Year’s Day. While there are many different types of New Year’s Day postcards, one of the most popular types to collect are stork postcards representing the birth of a new year.

Storks are large, long-legged, long-necked wading birds. Today, there are 20 living species of storks.

The word “stork,” was



Above: This 1910 New Year’s Day postcard shows a stork bringing a newborn baby to replace Father Time. This card is valued at \$9.

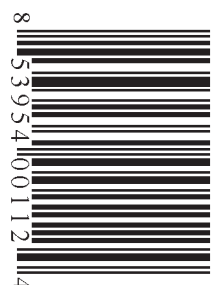
first used to denote a type of bird, as we know them, comes from the 12th century Middle English. “Stork” is derived from the Old English word “storc,” that came from

the Proto-Indo-European family of languages. The name “Stork” describes the bird’s rigid posture with some storks called “adjutants,” referring to their stiff, military-like

walk.

The image of storks delivering babies is stems from ancient Greek and Roman mythology.

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Grogg

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the upkeep required by such a large property and Jerry's ill health, Jerry and Annie had decided to relocate to be with their daughter; thus the sale of both the real estate and their personal property.

Four days earlier, the Grogg's real estate, situated 4 miles east of LaGrange and 1 mile south, was offered at live on-site auction. What began in 2005 as a "little dream log retirement cabin in the woods" turned into "one of the most unique properties in LaGrange County" complete with a 3-bedroom, 2 1/2 bath log home with a 2-car attached garage overlooking a picturesque pond, a 50 by 72 foot pole barn (complete with a man-cave and living quarters), a second 48 by 72 foot pole barn, and a variety of additional outbuildings. 72 1/2 acres in all, the property was divided into 8 tracts for the auction that varied from the home and 21 acres to packages of tillable ground, woods, and wetland. Ultimately, it was when the entire

property was offered as a single package that the serious interest became evident. The bidding began at \$1,125,000 and a battle ensued between two bidders until it reached the final selling price of \$1,700,000.

The personal property auction portion of the Grogg estate was filled with enough merchandise to occupy three rings run by auctioneers Robert Mishler, Steven McKowen, and LaWayne Miller for most of the day. In the midst of a number of tables of household items and box lots, a tall, two-piece Roseville (667-8) Clematis jardiniere demanded buyers' attention when it started the auction off at a hefty winning bid of \$475. A variety of other pottery pieces followed (ranging from \$40-75) as well as a small Dazey butter churn that effortlessly reached a final bid of \$60.

An assortment of guns and related sporting goods were neatly displayed on the pool table in the man cave. A few of the highlights included a Ruger M77 22-250 bolt action with a Bushnell Sportview



Above: Auctioneer Robert Mishler stands by long-time colleague and mentor Jerry Grogg at an auction in the early 2000s. The two began working together at Jerry Grogg, Inc. in 1992 and remain close friends today.

scope that sold for \$1,600, a double barrel 410 pistol (\$1,100), a unique Stevens double barrel 410 quail gun that reached a final bid of \$1,000, and an Ithaca 300 12 gauge semi-automatic that was more affordable for some at a price of \$550.

The Groggs' big equipment was just as clean and well-kept as the small items. The lineup included three pieces that Jerry had purchased all within the same year in 2015. The bidding started at \$3,000 on the first piece, a 2012 Vermeer BC1000XL wood chipper with a 4-cylinder diesel engine and 1082 hours, and climbed rapidly to a final stopping point of \$19,000. The John Deere 310SG backhoe was announced to have been sitting for the last few years and showed signs of leaking fuel back in the fuel system. During the bidding, Mishler reiterated the key selling points - that it had only 3000 hours, working air conditioning, auxiliary hydraulics, power shift, swinging buckets in the back, and a 90-inch front bucket. It was there to sell, and sell it did for \$32,000. The 2000 John Deere 6410 with loader, right-hand reverser, power quad transmission, and 3700 hours started at



Above: One of three 1950 Olds 88s owned by Jerry Grogg over the years. This one, the most similar to the first car he ever owned and one that would have cost just under \$2000 originally, sold for \$14,000 at Grogg's personal property auction on November 30.

\$25,000, jumped quickly to \$35,000 and then slowed to smaller bid increments until it reached the new owner's last bid of \$41,500.

Two RTVs, both purchased new by Jerry, were also in the lineup of equipment. The 2008 John Deere HPX Gator sported a heated cab and removable doors for the fresh air version of air conditioning in the summer months (\$7,600) while the newer 2011 Kubota 1100 was a bit more advanced with in-cab air conditioning, a hydraulic dump box, reese hitch, and only 6500 hours (\$19,000).

The vehicles offered at auction each came with a story of their own. The black, 2-door, hard top 1950 Olds 88 with cream and red interior was reminiscent of the first car that Jerry Grogg called his own. As a young man, he worked as a mechanic for Ray Culp Oldsmobile in LaGrange both before and after he served in the Army. During his time at the dealership, he purchased a 1950 Olds 88 very similar to the one that crossed the auction block, which had 88,205 miles and was said to "run and drive like a dream...nearly floats down the road." The selling price of \$14,000 reflected its collectability and condition.

Jerry bought the cherry red 1955 Chevrolet 3200 pickup in Idaho, made some improvements to it over time, and drove it in many parades over the years. He replaced the original 6-cylinder engine with a 327 V-8 and upgraded to power steering and disc brakes. The bidding began at \$10,000, quickly reached \$20,000, and then slowed to \$1000 bid increments until it reached \$30,000, its final selling price.

In contrast to Jerry's

model collectible pickup, a maroon 2019 Dodge SLT Laramie represented the last truck that Jerry purchased. Despite always having cloth seats in his previous trucks, he opted for heated leather seats in this model to accommodate Annie and in anticipation of more travel. Like his other vehicles and equipment, it was well-maintained and very clean, helping it find a new owner for \$32,000.

A day that started out in line with Jerry's belief that it's "always better to have bad weather than to have a sunny day" for an auction, ended with a hint of sunshine and a distinct feeling of the warmth that accompanies success. All those in attendance - from the bidders and spectators



Above: The familiar face of Jerry Grogg, an auctioneer and realtor known for over 60 years for his expertise in auctions and real estate in LaGrange, Ind., and surrounding counties.

to the auctioneers, ringmen, cashiers, and clerks who have worked with and for Jerry for many years - had once again supported a man they considered to be a respectable businessman and friend.



Above: One of a number of pieces of big equipment offered at auction on November 30, this John Deere 6410 sold for \$41,500.



Above: An assortment of firearms offered at auction included a double barrel 410, Ithaca 49, Ithaca 300, and Ruger M77.



Above: Pickup trucks that were years apart did not necessarily mean that the selling prices were far removed. This 2019 Dodge Laramie crew cab 4x4 with a 5.7 hemi V-8 sold for \$32,000 while this collector 1955 Chevrolet 3200 pickup with a 327 V-8 and a variety of upgrades brought \$30,000.



Above: Despite a few operating imperfections, this John Deere 310SG backhoe was in working condition and brought a final bid of \$32,000.

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Greeks, Romans, and Egyptians believed storks delivered babies to households, often dropping the baby down the house's chimney. This myth developed due to a stork's careful tending to its own young storkling. Storks have lived on earth for nearly 50 million years, and from the earliest times they have been associated with new birth. Native American

tribes have seen storks as a symbol of fertility and new beginnings for thousands of years.

European folklore held that white storks are responsible for bringing babies to new parents. This legend is very old, but Hans Christian Andersen popularized the legend in 1839 in his story "The Storks."

German folklore and mythology reported storks found newborn babies in caves or marshes and carried the babies in a basket held in

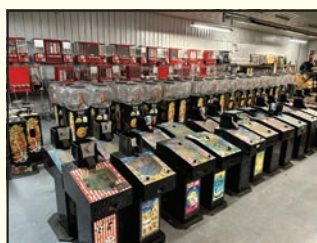
Right: As the clock strikes midnight, a cherub and stork send New Year's "Greetings" in 1910. This colorful postcard was offered on eBay for \$15.

their beaks to households. Women wanting a new baby would notify storks by placing sweets for the stork on a windowsill of the house. The stork would then drop a basket with baby inside down the house's chimney.

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Storks

FROM PAGE 6

Storks are well known as a symbol of parental love, care, and the heralders of new life. As heralders of new life, storks convey news or



proclamations of new life, such as a birth of a baby or the birth of a new year in history.

That is precisely why so many New Year's Day postcards, throughout the 20th century, featured a stork on the card. These stately birds heralded the approaching New Year. Wood storks, in particular, have always been symbols of both Christian and ancient new beginnings, so the wood stork represents the New Year as the beginning of both another year and of another birth.

Left: This New Year's Day postcard shows a stork delivering a January 1908 baby. This card is valued at \$18.

Wood storks are the only stork native to North America, so they are the species of stork that Americans have always associated with birth. Wood storks are entirely white except for a few flight feathers and tail.

New Year's Day stork postcards are still very affordable and make interesting collectibles. Prices for stork postcards begin around \$5 and seldom top \$20, so they are affordable to all collectors. And stork postcards make fine collectibles for the entire family, so take your children and head to an antique shop or vintage paper show this coming weekend. Storks might even bring a new beginning for your family.



Above: Antique German "Happy New Year" postcard, with stork bringing in the New Year, that is valued at \$19.

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Scottie dogs took the 20th century by storm

BY JULIE P. ROBARDS

Scottie Mania was a craze that swept Great Britain and North America shortly after the stock market crash of 1929, and it lasted well into the late 1950s.

While the Scottish Terrier had been around in Great Britain as a working dog since the mid-1800s, it didn't make it to American shores until 1883. A few years later the breed was recognized by the American Kennel Club, and by 1900 the Scottish Terrier Club was formed.



With this, the Scottie Dog had made its way from the show ring into the hearts and homes of dog lovers everywhere. The kick-off for Scottie

Left: The Morgan Dennis illustration called Black and White, was the inspiration for the Scotch whiskey mascots "Blackie" and "Whitey." Shown here are a 1980s limited edition ceramic whiskey decanter, an ashtray and bottle shaped musical cigarette dispenser from 1970 that plays "Raindrops Keep Falling on My Head," and an advertising tin lithograph perpetual calendar from the 1930s.

mania began with a book written by Rudyard Kipling called, "Thy Servant a Dog." It was told from the perspective of Kipling's pet Scottie named Boots - and in an amusing way that expressed how a dog understands the English language.

Kipling filled the pages

with adventures of Boots and his sidekick Slippers, the shenanigans of their scallywag friends, encounters with a spiteful kitchen cat, and the love, guidance and protection of the people with whom they lived. It hit store shelves on both sides of the Atlantic on June 6, 1930.

To whet the appetites of

readers and drum up interest, the day after the book appeared, excerpts from Kipling's story - illustrated by Herbert M. Stoops - appeared in America's Liberty Magazine. Cassell's Magazine in England followed suit and released the same story with illustrations by George L. Stampa - a popular British artist for Punch magazine.

The marketing ploy was a huge success, and the book sold 100,000 copies in the first six months.

Two versions of the first

See *Scottie Dogs* page 14

JAMES AINSWORTH AUCTION

SATURDAY MORNING, JANUARY 18, 2025 @ 9:30 AM

LOCATION: 522 WELCOME RD., HASTINGS, MI and then over to 4072 Messer Rd., Hastings, MI

zone 4

This is a two-location auction. We will be starting at 9:30 am at 522 Welcome Rd., Hastings, MI then we will be moving to 4072 Messer Rd., Hastings, which is only approximately 1 mile from the first location.

This is only a partial listing. Watch for updates. The sale includes 2003 Chevrolet 2500 4 x 4 Pick-up with Allison Transmission, a Datsun 280 ZX Sports Car and a Nissan ZX 300 with T-tops. Massey Ferguson 165 Tractor, Holder C9700H Unit with 2 Snow Blowers, a GMC 3500 Dump Truck, a Bobcat V518 Versa Diesel Handler, an excellent like-new Retro Riverside RV Trailer with awning. John Deere Z997R Diesel zero-turn mower, 3 or 4 EZ Go Golf Carts; various conditions. An Intimidator XD4 800cc Utility Vehicle. Also, a large quantity of small items being sold. Watch for updates and additional pictures.



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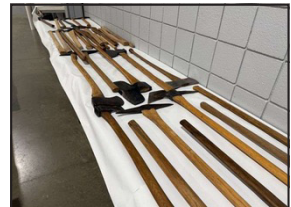
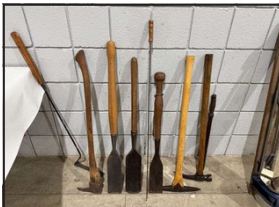
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Menck Collection a huge group of cast iron, tools, axes, plus the collection of coins, stamps, silvereagles, and related items. See the photographs - this will be a large sale. A 10% buyers premium will be charged on all items sold.



EXCELLENT REAL ESTATE AUCTION

SATURDAY MORNING, JANUARY 18, 2025 @ 12:30 PM

LOCATION: 4072 MESSER RD. HASTINGS, MI

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Scottie

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edition were printed, one for America and the other for England. Kipling chose famous dog artist Marguerite Kirmse, of Bridgewater, Conn., and George L. Stampa, the Englishman who illustrated Cassell's Magazine article on Thy Servant a Dog, to illustrate the books.

Since there was only one printing of the Kirmse edition, as opposed to three reprints of the Stampa version, it is a coveted rarity to collectors and commands a much higher price than the English version.

Suddenly Scottie Dogs were all the rage and the breeds' popularity soared. Thousands of Scottie images appeared in newspapers and magazines, and spilled over onto greeting cards, household goods, knick-knacks, toys, textiles, jewelry and more.

There were several famous artists whose subjects became Scottie Dogs during the early years of Scottie mania. Lucy Dawson, a well-known dog artist from England, signed her work "Mac." Her drawings were featured on many types of early ephemera including collectible canine series cigarette cards and postcards. Lucy also invited Scotties into her studio while she sketched, and many of her works feature the names of her dog models.

Beatrix Potter of Peter Rabbit fame also owned a Scottish Terrier. In her book, "The Tale of Samuel Whiskers," Potter illustrated a brave and resourceful Scottie named "John Joiner" who rescued Tom Kitten from certain death.

Daisy was the name of writer E.B. White's (Charlotte's Web) black Scottie Dog. Daisy was tragically killed in New York City after being struck by an out-of-control taxicab in December of 1931. White was heartbroken and wrote a touching obituary for her that appeared in



Above: Among the rarest of Scottie items is this 1939, Dog House punch board that guaranteed patrons a prize of 20 to 500 cigarettes for a 5 cent chance to win. The brass Scottie figurines tucked inside the dog houses are named Earl, George, Bob, Bill, Harry and Chet. Expect to pay upward to \$600 for an unused example like this one.

The New Yorker — it ended with these words, "She died sniffing life, and enjoying it."

The most influential artist of the era, however, was Morgan Dennis — owner of two Scotch Terriers named Jock and Jill. Dennis was one of America's most famous dog book illustrators.

In 1930, he sold the rights to his drawing called "Listen," which featured a pair of black Scotties with their heads cocked, to Texaco Oil Company. Soon thereafter, Listen appeared in printed advertisements encouraging patrons to switch their automobile oil to the Texaco brand, and the imagery was accompanied by the slogan "Listen (to the engine) You can hear the difference!"

Texaco also hired Hubley and Vindex (a division of National Sewing Machine) to duplicate "Listen" into cast iron door stops and lamp bases. They gave these away to employees and contest prize winners, and sold them at their service stations.

In 1931, black Bakelite Scottie pins, mounted on Texaco advertising cards, were given away as premiums and Listen was also duplicated on celluloid pin-back buttons, framed prints, key fobs, decals, stickers, matchbooks and store signs. The Texaco Scotties, sitting with the company's Star logo, were used in magazine advertising as late as 1959.

Morgan Dennis was also approached by Black & White Scotch Whiskey in 1930 to create advertising based on his Scottish and West Highland Terrier drawing titled Black and White. Dennis agreed to the proposal and created "Blackie & Whitey," the most dynamic advertising duo of all time. The Scottie and Westie mascots still appear, to this day, on the bottle label.

The silver screen also helped to catapult the breed into fame. Grace Drayton, creator of the iconic Campbells Kids, was hired by RKO to draw a pair of impish black Scotties that appeared in promotional material for the 1930 film Check & Double Check, which fea-



Above: Between 1930 and 1960 Scottie Dog imagery, ranging from realism to whimsy, could be found on greeting cards of all kinds.

Below: These snazzy mid-century pins are all decked out to make a glitzy fashion statement. From flashy rhinestone encrusted brooches to plastic novelty pins, reverse painted intaglio cufflinks to sterling bracelets, charms and pendants, there seems to be an endless supply of baubles available for collectors. The larger pin is trademarked Monet.



tured comedians Amos and Andy.

When famous people and movie stars began to appear in public with their pets, the Scottie's popularity soared and it suddenly became all the rage to own one. Joan Crawford, for instance, had several Scotties and used them to promote her fame. In 1933, Morgan Dennis drew a portrait of Joan with her puppy Sadie, which was named after a prostitute character she played in the 1932 film Rain.

In 1935, Joan got a new Scottie Dog that was named Woggles, after it was chosen from hundreds of entries in a Find a Name for Joan Crawford's New Pet Scottie contest. Woggles became so popular he even had his own fan club. Her other Scotties were named Typhoon and Puppy Dearest.

Throughout the 1930s

and 40s there were many famous owners of the breed including Bette Davis, Humphrey Bogart, Julie Andrews, Jane Wyman, Mrs. Wallace Simpson, and America's child sweetheart Shirley Temple, who owned a Scottie named Corky. In the 1935 film Our Little Girl, Shirley co-starred with a black Scottie named "Sniff."

Several presidents also owned Scotties. Franklin Roosevelt's constant companion was Fala, who became one of the most famous presidential dog of all time. Fala helped to popularize the breed throughout the 1940s. Dwight Eisenhower's favorite dog was a Scottie named Telek, and George and Laura Bush had two Scotties named Barney and Miss Beazley.

Throughout Scottie Mania, the jaunty pup found its way onto hun-

dreds of decorative household items, novelties and personal accessories. From trendy clothing decorated with whimsical embroidery and appliques, to silhouettes that were hand-knit into vests and sweaters, the Scottie was a stylish fashion icon. And because there were a multitude of Scottie products made from cast metal, plastics, glass, chalkware, wood and paper, there are no shortages of antique and collectible Scottish Terrier items today.

What began as a book published in 1930, became a national obsession with the spirited little dog. And through the artistic expression of writers, illustrators and filmmakers, and the affection of celebrities, presidents and dog lovers everywhere, the Scotch Terrier reigned happily as the Top Dog of the 20th century.

Below: Cast metal doorstops, lamp bases, book ends, business card holders and figurines were popular throughout the three decades of Scottie Mania. This business card holder was purchased on eBay for \$65.



Below: America's obsession with the popular breed drove the toy market to import foreign made Celluloid toys like these. A key-wind mechanical Scottie with a spinning tail and two Scottie figures that are weighted with plaster are marked Japan, and the two anthropomorphic Roly-Poly toys were made in Germany.



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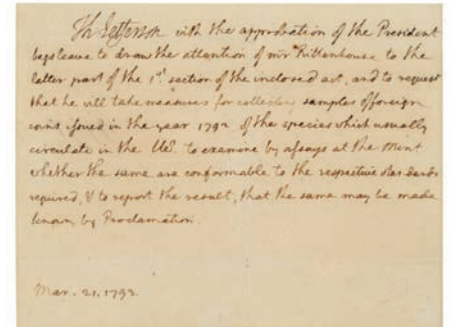
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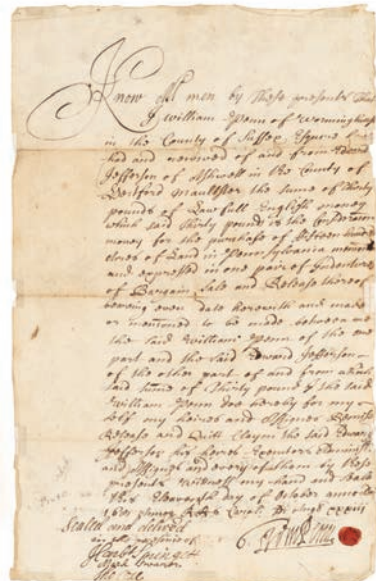
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