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ACROSS THE AUCTION BLOCK

IH cultivator turned over a \$38,000 bid at Kraft auction

BY WILLIAM
FLOOD

BATESVILLE, Ind. — An impressive collection of antique and vintage farm equipment drew buyers to the Denis and Pat Schrank Antique Farm Auction on Aug. 22. Conducted by Kraft Auction Service, the live, on-site sale, with limited online bidding, featured hundreds of heritage items, including antique tractors, planting and harvesting equipment, hit-and-miss engines, 19th-century implements, antique heavy machinery and more.

The 852-lot auction showcased a museum-worthy collection spanning the early years of agricultural machinery. Some pieces were dated as early as 1916; others were even older. The collection included



About: An operational 1916 single-cylinder International Harvester Mogul sold for \$33,000.

horse-drawn equipment, steam-powered machinery, and early fuel-powered models.

Among the earliest dated pieces was a 1918 International Harvester Motor Cultivator, which saw the auction's highest bid of \$38,000. Only about 300 examples of this rare, low-production machine were built between 1917

and 1919. This complete, running example had been expertly restored by Denis Schrank and featured a 12-hp LeRoi four-cylinder gasoline engine.

Equally impressive was the running and driving 1916 International Harvester 8-16 Mogul drawing the auction's second-highest



About: The auction's top bid of \$38,000 went for a complete and running 1918 International Harvester motor cultivator.

bid of \$33,000. Originally offered as an affordable, kerosene-powered farm tractor, it was powered by

a 16-hp, single-cylinder Mogul engine and featured planetary forward and reverse gearing, a

correct magneto, muffler and toolbox, along with a

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FEATURE

Celebrate all things Tolkien on National Hobbit Day

BY LARRY
LEMASTERS

Sept. 22 is National Hobbit Day. This is the day that fans celebrate J.R.R. Tolkien's lovable and heroic Hobbit — Bilbo Baggins, his nephew Frodo Baggins, and his legion of comrades and enemies. Sept. 22 has



been chosen for this momentous holiday because it is the actual birthday of both Bilbo and Frodo Baggins. Bilbo was born on Sept. 22, Third Age 2890, and Frodo Baggins, the central character in The Lord of the Ring (LOTR) trilogy, was born on Sept. 22, Third Age year of 2968.

Of course, we would not know about Bilbo, Frodo, or other Hobbits if it weren't for Tolkien writing down their history and life stories in his famous novel The Hobbit, 1937, and future books that make up the trilogy of the Lord of the Rings.

Left: Gandalf the Grey 1/6th scale statue from Weta Workshop. Made of Polystone, this statue is valued at \$300.

Right: Gollum 1/6th scale action figure is from Asmus Collectibles, and it is valued at \$150.

Fans and collectors both have much to be thankful for to Tolkien and his story telling.

Hobbits, also known as Halflings, are a race of people, small humanoids, of Middle-earth; although, their exact origins are unknown. During the Third Age, Hobbits moved north and west, eventually settling in the Shire where they lived in "hobbit-holes" with round doors and windows, which are underground homes dug into hillsides and banks.

Gandalf the Grey, wizard hero of the trilogy LOTR, described Hobbits



this way, "Hobbits really are amazing creatures." Their characteristics include a height of between two and four feet; feet with tough, leathery soles covered by hair so they do not need shoes; a tendency towards chubbiness; excellent hearing and sharp eye-

Polystone mini-statue of Bilbo Baggins. From Weta Workshop, this figurine is value at \$180.



sight; a delight in wearing bright colors, particularly yellow and green; love of food and drink; a love for tobacco in small clay pipes; and, most

important of all, as Gandalf knew, of all of the human-type creatures living, Hobbits were

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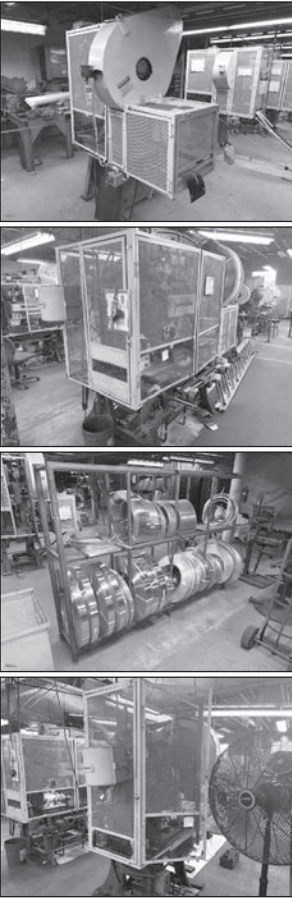
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clutch pulley and drawbar.

Bidding reached \$21,000 for an Indiana Tractor, powered by a LeRoi 2C four-cylinder engine. Built in Anderson, Ind., the tractor featured chain drive to the wheels, parade rubber on all four wheels, and custom steps and rear fenders below the seat. Schrank often exhibited the operational rig at farm equipment shows.

Not far behind at \$20,500 was a 1919 60-hp Emerson-Brantingham Steam Engine. Schrank and his family often exhibited it at local shows until its boiler was deemed unsafe to operate and it was retired to static display. It retained its whistle, pop valve, lubricator, full canopy and good gearing, making it an excellent restoration project.

The historic pieces continued with a 1918



Above: This sign from Denis Schrank's business brought \$500.



Above: Parts included a circa 1920 radiator (\$1,300) for Indiana Tractors of the era.



Above: This circa-1920 Indiana Tractor, built in Anderson Indiana, equipped a LeRoi 2C four-cylinder engine and chain drive, brought \$21,000.



Above: Often seen at parades, this 1918 International 1.5-ton truck did nicely at \$15,000.

International 1.5-ton truck that was one of Schrank's prized possessions. Running and drivable, it was often seen at local parades. It was outfitted with a four-cylinder gas engine similar to those in an 8-16 tractor, plus a custom electric start, and a wood bed with seats for carrying passengers. Due to its age, it was sold with a bill of sale rather than a title.

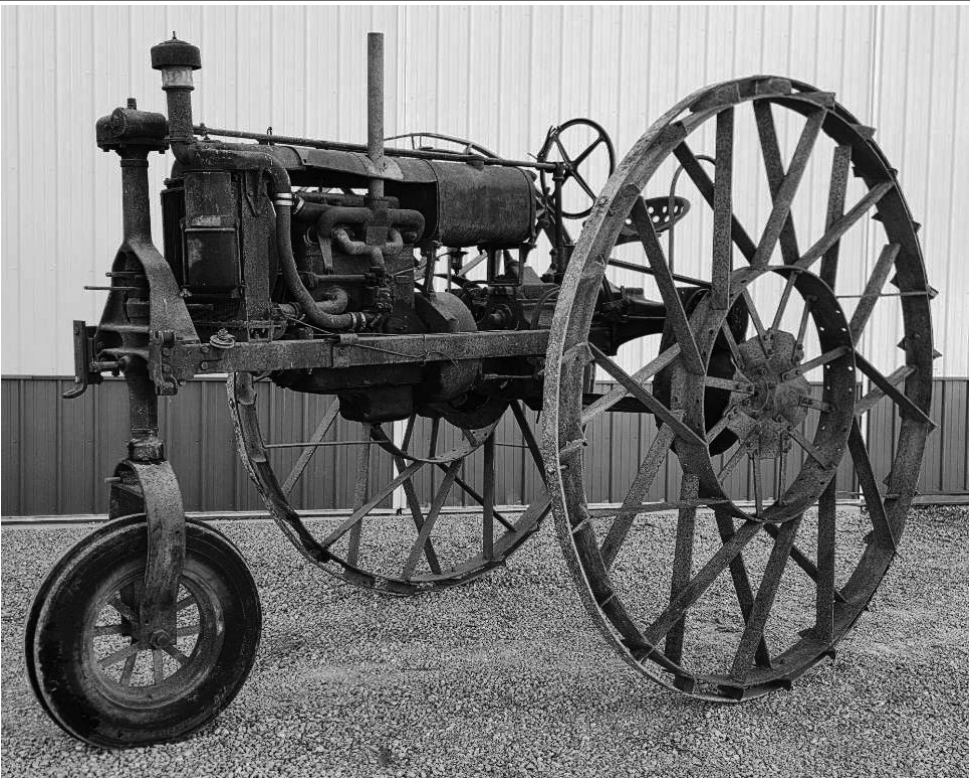
Also selling for \$15,000 was a 1930s-era Massey Harris GP tractor. It was powered by a four-cylinder gasoline engine and two-speed transmission, and featured a full set of steel wheels, belt pulley, drawbar and electric start, and new radiator. Retaining its original patina, the tractor was operational but lacked the rear-extending PTO

shaft.

The first winning bid below five figures was \$7,500 for a running 1927 Farmall Regular Custom High Crop "Big Foot." Built for sowing wheat into standing corn, the custom tractor offered a four-cylinder gasoline engine, three-speed transmission, belt pulley and PTO, along with eight-foot-tall rear wheels.

High four-figure bids also landed several historic engines. A 4-hp International Harvester Famous vertical engine, made for export, changed hands at \$6,000. Mounted on a cart with a cooling tank, the still-loose engine had been used by the Schrank family for years to make ice cream at shows. Another cart-mounted 4-hp tank-cooled Famous engine went for \$5,000. Partially restored and operational, it featured a new cooling tank, belt pulley, rebuilt muffler, and battery-and-coil ignition, along with repairs to the bottom of the head and cylinder. A 6-hp Appleton gas engine on a cart scored \$3,000. Schrank exhibited the engine at shows to power an Appleton drag saw or husker-shredder. It included a clutch pulley, battery box and belt, and Farmall belt pulley. The head had been repaired, and the engine retained its Webster magneto.

That bid range also included several pieces of historic heavy machinery, including a bladeless but running/driving

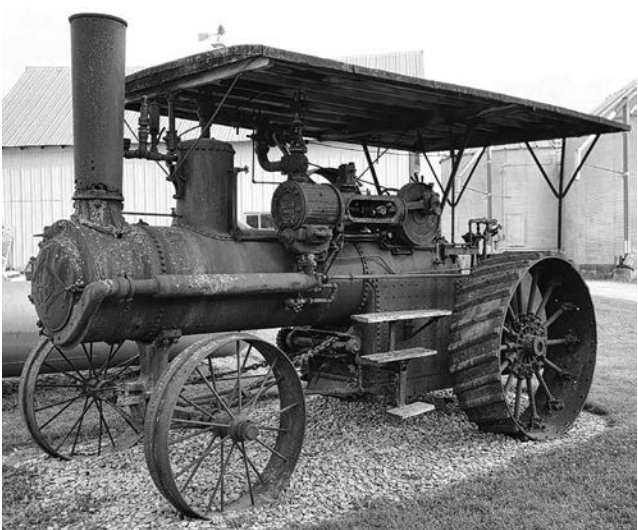


Above: 1927 Farmall Regular Custom High Crop "Big Foot" with 8-foot-tall rear wheels rolled off for \$7,500.

Cletrac W crawler that fetched \$5,000. Introduced in 1918, the crawler was in very straight, original condition and featured a four-cylinder gasoline engine, good undercarriage and steering-wheel control. It also had a rare right-angle front belt pulley attachment, although the pulley and shaft were missing.

Other machinery included a non-running 1923 Fordson-powered H-P one-man road grader, going for \$2,300. It was powered by a four-cylinder Fordson engine with a three-speed transmission and upgraded manifold and carburetor, and featured an eight-foot blade and industrial solid-rubber wheels. Coming close, at \$2,100, was an early horse-drawn wooden-wheeled pan scraper of unknown manufacture.

A bit further down in the bidding, but still rich in historical merit, were several notable pieces. A 1927 McCormick-Deering 10-20 bid to \$1,500. The complete but non-running tractor was in original condition, with some original stenciling still visible, with a four-cylin-



Above: A complete 1919 Emerson Brantingham steam engine reached \$20,500.

der gasoline engine, three-speed transmission, custom contractor cab, belt pulley, and a full set of steel wheels. Later, a 10.5-foot-long Birdsell wooden wagon, in original condition, with 40-inch front and 45-inch rear wheels, got \$900, while just \$550 won a 1929 McCormick-Deering 10-20 with a partially disassembled four-cylinder gas engine, belt drive, and full set of steel wheels.

Some of the collection's historic pieces even sold for under \$500. Those included a wooden horse-drawn dump wagon with an 8.5-foot by 42-inch box along with 41-inch front

and 45-inch rear wheels that rolled off for \$350, a Taylor-Way tractor-pulled subsoiler mounted on steel wheels for \$350, and a partially disassembled 1931 McCormick-Deering 10-20 project tractor with a loose engine, belt pulley, and assorted parts that left for \$225. Meanwhile, a White and Conner pull-type barn thresher in original condition, with paint and stenciling still visible, hammered for just \$200, helping round out a remarkable auction of agricultural history.

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Sat., Sep. 19, Jim Lambert Auctioneers (MI), Estate, Lake City, MI

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Sat., Sep. 12, Wegner Auctioneers, Estate, Sanford, MI

Sat., Sep. 19, A Yoder Auction, Farm, Antq., Tool, Gladwin, MI

ZONE 4

Fri., Sep. 11, Stantons Auctioneers, Firearm, Hastings, MI

Sat., Sep. 12, JP Auction Sales Service, Auto, Coll., HH, Hudsonville, MI

Sat., Sep. 19, Art Smith Auctions, Equip., HH, Misc., Howard City, MI

Sat., Sep. 19, Dales Auctioneering Service LLC, Woodworking, Farm, Zeeland, MI

Sat., Sep. 19, Hanson Auction Service, Coin, Antq., Misc., Lakeview, MI

Sat., Sep. 19, Kendall Tobias Auction, Estate, Battle Creek, MI

Sat., Sep. 19, Miedema Auctioneering, Tractor, Equipment, Byron Center, MI

Thu., Sep. 24, Art Smith Auctions, Gun, Ammo, Misc., Grant, MI

Sat., Sep. 26, Dales Auctioneering Service LLC, Farm Consignment, Holland, MI

Sat., Oct. 3, JP Auction Sales Service, Tool, Signs, Sportng, Holland, MI

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Sat., Sep. 12, Mel White Auctioneer, Gun, Misc., Eaton Rapids, MI

Sun., Sep. 13, Burns Auction Company, Estate, Bronson, MI

Wed., Sep. 16, Spieth & Satow, Gun, Tractor, Tool, Hillsdale, MI

Thu., Sep. 17, Braun & Helmer Auction Service, Estate, Tipton, MI

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Sat., Sep. 19, Bob's Coins Auction, Coin, Athens, MI

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1984 Mack Truck: 61,706 miles • 52,207 hours • Automatic transmission • Air-lift third axle

1998 Mack Stake Truck

Case 480 Loader

Box Trailers for Storage Approximate sizes: 93 ft. x 50 ft. and 96 ft. x 45 ft.

CONSTRUCTION MATERIALS & SITE SUPPLIES

Various-size fuel tanks

Large boulders

Concrete culverts — 12 in. x 2 ft. and 18 in. x 8 ft.

Black corrugated plastic pipe — 19 ft. long x 2 ft. high

TOOLS & SHOP EQUIPMENT

Craftsman toolboxes with tools — 42 in. H x 42 in. W; 42 in. H x 60 in. W; 34 in. H x 27 in. W; Lyon 40 in. H x 33 in. W

Craftsman air compressor — 5.5 HP, 30-gallon tank

Various hitches

DeWALT / Briggs & Stratton pressure washer — 2,800 PSI

Graco Magnum airless paint sprayer

Graco Magnum X129 Power Piston

Heavy-duty reciprocating saw — Black & Decker / Milwaukee

Hydraulic jack — 1½-ton capacity

Sandblaster

Strap X

Senco Frame Nailer 325XP

Hilti DD 100 drill

Construction chains for truck and trailer

Welding cart with tanks

Various-size ladders

Gas cans

Shop vacuum

Stop / Slow construction signs

Two sled compactors

Torpedo heater

Powered greens mower

Antique kitchen stove

Black & Decker Professional concrete drill

MATERIALS & MISCELLANEOUS

Nuts and bolts in storage chest — 20 in. x 60 in., 12 drawers

PVC plumbing fittings — 9 ft. x 4 ft. shelving unit filled with fittings

Steel I-beams — various sizes

Scrap iron

Scaffolding



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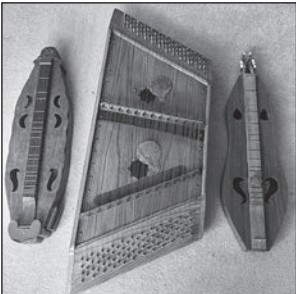
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HUDSONVILLE, MI 49426

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 12 AT 10:00 AM

VEHICLES: 1968 Plymouth Fury III(Red w/Black Convertible Top, Odometer shows 27,809 miles-Very Nice Condition; 2003 Oldsmobile Silhouette, 84,248 Miles, Very Good Condition, Sand/Tan Color.

COLLECTIBLES & HOUSEHOLD: Black Walnut Harp-handcrafted-beautiful; Hammer Dulcimer & 2 Teardrop Dulcimers-handcrafted; Accordion-Major Accordion Co; Older Hohner Accordion; Trumpet w/orig



case; 1960's Trading Cards –Pop Rock Bank The Monkees; Barbie Dolls & Other dolls-Nib; 5 Herman Miller Chairs; Waterfall Style Bedroom Suite; China Cabinet; 1898 Peruna Almanac; 1949 Calendar-L&L JenisonMI; Vintage Art Deco Metal Mesh Purse; Cosco Folding Table & 4 Chairs-nib; Matching Leather Recliners; Cedar Chest; Wood Baby Cradle; Wood Baby Swing; NASCAR Adventures Comic Books; Airtech Heaters; Sterno Buffet Chafer-nib; 3 Crock Buffet Slow Cooker-NIB; Books, Dishes; Linens; X-mas Yard Sign; Charbroil Grill; Christmas Decorations; Jack Knives; Jewelry; Toys; Sad Irons; Afghans; Knickknacks; Many pairs of Men Shoes Size 12-NIB; So Much More.

AUCTIONEER'S NOTE: The Plymouth is in very nice shape, the van was very well maintained and harp and dulcimers are hand crafted. Viewing Friday from 12:00 Noon to 5:00PM.

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TOOLS: Generac 2500 Power wash-

er, Craftsman items inc. Vertical air compressor-TT drill press-router table & router-6 & 12 PT open box end wrench sets; 230 amp welder & tools; Makita 12V tools; ram set; Diamond point pickup toolbox; Delta scroll saw; belt/disc sander; DeWALT 12 in. chop saw; small band saw; old grinder-etc.; 3 steel ½ bbls w/lids; Porter Cable pancake Air compressor; air hose reel; 110 & 220 ext. cords; 4X6 new section of White plastic fence w/posts; sockets-wrenches etc. new Dremel tools; Ridgid palm nailer; buckets of nails; levels; New tap & die set; New easy out set; tool chests & lots of toolboxes full of tools,

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TRAILERS: 2008 Cougar 27' fifth wheel travel trailer w/slide out, awning (very clean), 4'x10' Utility trailer w/mesh ramp (good cond), 2019 American Hauler 6'x12' enclosed cargo trailer (very good cond)

GUNS: Brazil 20ga single shot shotgun, Glenfield Model 30GT 30-30 Win rifle w/ scope, Coast To Coast 288 .22cal rifle, Sears Model Slug Model 446.511761 12ga shotgun w/game barrel, Winchester Model 94 30-30 rifle, Bushmaster hunting knife, Gamo Shadow 1250 pellet rifle

POLE BARN: Werner 8' aluminum stepladder, 16' Aluminum ext ladder, Bolens garden tiller, Patio table w/chairs, Deck chairs & table, chase lounges, Craftsman table saw on stand, Simplicity 11224E snowblower, electric start, hood, Task Force 2200 power washer, Simpson 3000 power washer, Flag pole, Hunting blind kit, Misc household & small items, Dinette table w/6 chairs, Other items

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FARM IMPLEMENTS: BobCat 325 mini excavator 2674 hrs; Frontier RT3073 3 pt rotary tiller-LIKE NEW; 3 pt post hole digger; 3 btm plow; Kuhn hay rake; 3 pt Woods 6' finish mower; 3 pt back blade; 5 panel cattle coral w/4' gate; hay wagon w/H&S 408 gear; Running gear (no bed); Snapper snow blower; Troybilt walk behind sickle mower; Ford 3 pt sickle mower; fence posts; NI #12 manure spreader; IH 510 grain drill; JD 1219 haybine; MF manure spreader; dump rake on steel; rolls wire; bale elevator;

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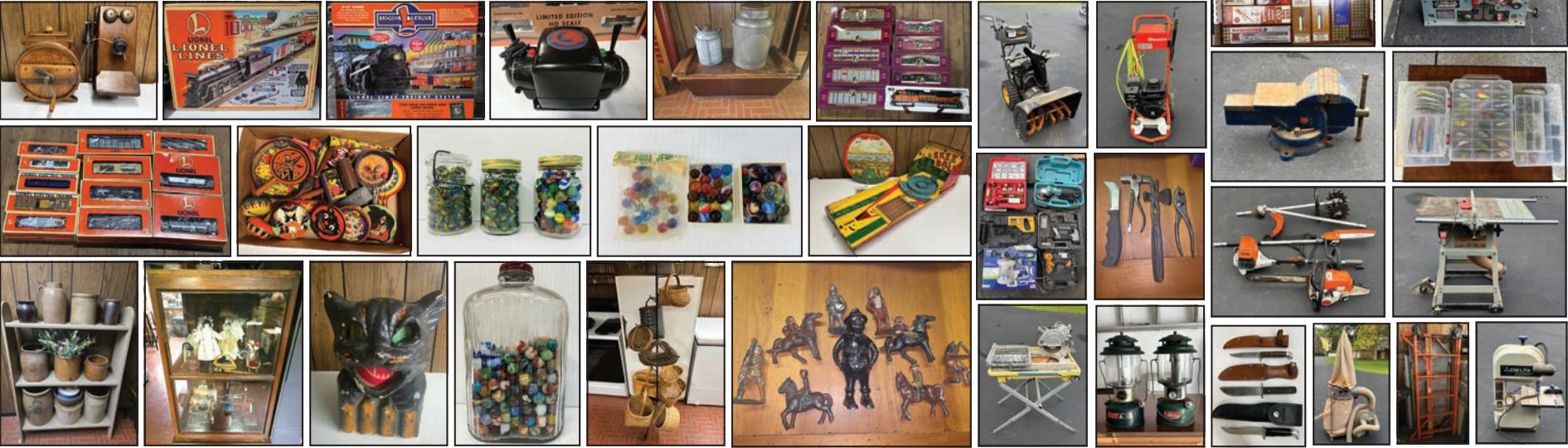
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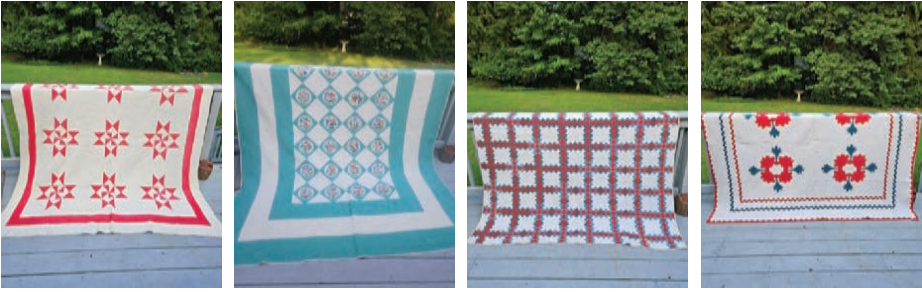
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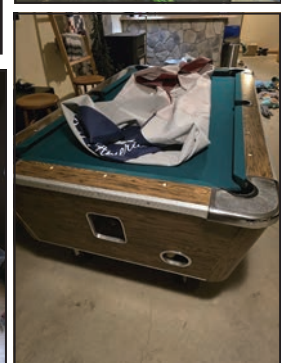
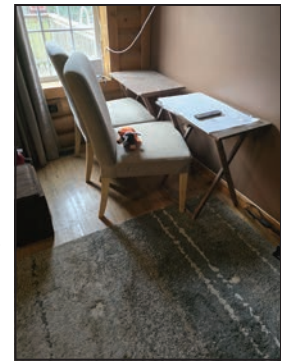
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~ Many, Many More Items Too Numerous to Mention! ~

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Hobbits

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pure of heart, a characteristic that would save one and all before their adventures were over.

Hobbits first appeared in Tolkien’s 1937 novel The Hobbit, whose primary Hobbit is Bilbo Baggins. In the trilogy, The Lord of the Rings, Hobbits Frodo Baggins, Sam Gamgee, Pippin Took, and Merry Brandybuck are all primary characters that help save Middle-earth.

Tolkien always claimed he started writing The Hobbit while he was grading a set of student essays in 1930 or ‘31. While grading papers, Tolkien wrote the now famous line of The Hobbit, “In a hole in the ground there lived a hobbit.” As far as how he came up with the name “Hobbit,” Tolkien never said. The origin of the name has been argued since the book’s first appearance; however, Tolkien offered a fictional etymology of the word “Hobbit” in an appendix to The Lord of the Rings. He stated, Hobbit “was derived from holbytla (plural holbytlan), meaning ‘hole-builder.’ This was Tolkien’s own new construction from Old English hol, ‘a hole or hollow’, and bytlan, ‘to build.’”

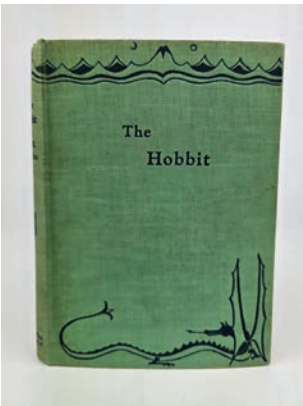
Outside of other Hobbits, Bilbo Baggins becomes friends and enemies with a number of interesting Middle-earth characters, including Gandalf the wizard; Thorin Oakenshield, the leader of the Company of Dwarfs; Gollum, a strange, slimy creature who lives deep in the caves of Moria and who broods over his “precious” magic ring; Smaug, a great dragon who lives in the Lonely

Mountain and sleeps atop the Dwarf’s pile of gold; Beorn, a man who can turn into a bear; and Elrond, the leader of the elves at Rivendell.

Volumes have been written on the moral significance of The Hobbit and The Lord of the Rings. A prime example is when Gandalf the Wizard theorizes that the Hobbit Frodo, “May become like a glass filled with a clear light for eyes to see that can.” Compare this to Jesus saying, “Whoever has ears to hear, let them hear.” Also of moral significance is, toward the end of The Lord of the Rings, Frodo Baggins casts aside his weapons and refuses to fight force with force. Frodo internally struggles with the moral observation that right must hereafter be waged only on the moral plane.

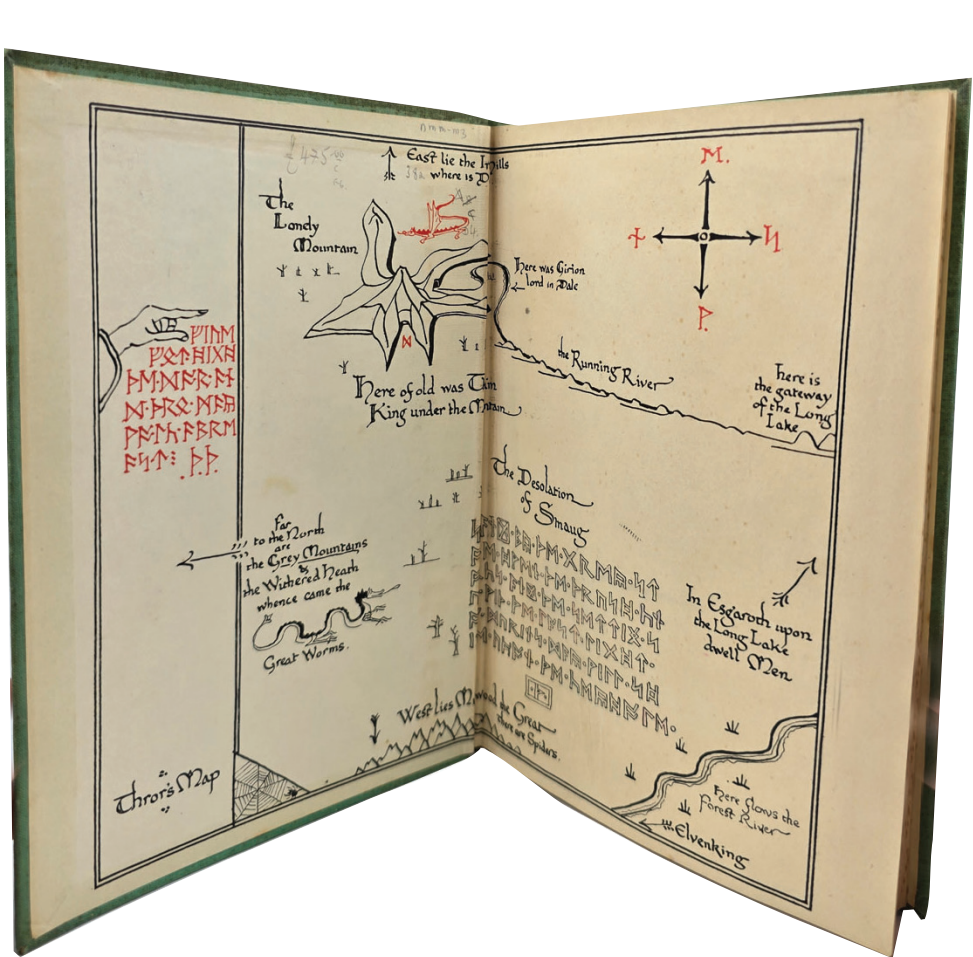
Since 1937 when The Hobbit was first printed, a true plethora of collectible Hobbit items have appeared for fans and collectors. Collectors search for first editions of The Hobbit and Tolkien’s three related books, The Lord of the Rings series. Hollywood has produced many movies and animated films about Bilbo, Gandalf, and the gold that Smaug guards. These films have given collectors movie posters, videos, movie tie-ins, action figure toys, and a hoard of other collectibles, causing a deep passion to rise up in Hobbit collectors.

Some of the ways that fans and collectors will celebrate The Hobbit on Sept. 22 include hosting Hobbit parties; not wearing shoes since Hobbits are always barefoot; attending marathon showings of Hobbit movies, or sitting by a fire reading one of Tolkien’s novels. I’ve read The Hobbit several times before, but, for me, this



Above and Right: Inside front cover of the first edition of The Hobbit shows the map of the Shireland and other Middle-earth locations.

September 22nd, I will once again open up The Hobbit and allow its opening line to pull me into the very marrow of the story: “In a hole in the ground there lived a hobbit. Not a nasty, dirty, wet hole, filled with the ends of worms and an oozy smell, nor yet a dry, bare, sandy hole with nothing in it to sit down on or to eat...” This enigmatic beginning takes us to Thorin Oakenshield’s death scene and one of the moral gems of the story when he says, “If more of us valued food and cheer and song above hoarded



Right: Smaug the dragon from The Hobbit. This custom Lego mini-figure, part of the Lonely Mountain series, is valued at \$70.



gold, it would be a merrier world. But, sad or merry, I must leave it now. Farewell.”



Above: Produced by Asmus Toys, this 1/6th scale action figure of Thorin Oakenshield is valued at \$200.

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Collectors still fascinated by the Dionne quintuplets

BY KELLY J. SULLIVAN

Twenty-five-year-old Elzire Dionne didn't know what to expect at the conclusion of her pregnancy. It was believed that she was either carrying twins, or a single baby with some sort of abnormality. She and her 30-year-old husband Oliva were already raising six children on their Ontario farm, an acreage of stony soil on the edge of a heavily forested area. The land hadn't produced much for their family – the youngest of which was two years old.

On the evening of May 28, 1934, Elzire began experiencing premature labor. Over the course of the night, a doctor and two midwives were put into service – as one baby after another arrived. Before morning, identical female quintuplets with a combined birth weight of 13 pounds had entered the world. Following labor and delivery, Elzire went into



Above: Vintage House of Seco Dionne quintuplet dolls, made in Japan. Courtesy of Lisa Freier, Illinois

shock. News of the babies' birth spread quickly. Soon, the Dionnes were receiving donations in the form of incubators and breast milk. Caring for the quints – who developed from a single fertilized egg – was so time-consuming that

Elzire and Oliva had to send their two-year-old son to reside with neighbors. Marie was the biggest quint, while Yvonne was the smallest. Annette, Cecile and Emilie rounded out the group of girls who were soon to become unwilling international

celebrities. The cost of raising the quints proved too high for a poor farmer and, when the babies were four months old, the Dionnes transferred custody to the Canadian Red Cross, which financed their needs. Canadian legisla-



Above: 1930s bisque Dionne quintuplet dolls, made in Japan. Courtesy of Nickol Kurz, California

ture later took over custody and passed the Dionne Quintuplets Guardianship Act to handle the girls' commercial interests until they were 18. Soon, 'Quintland' was constructed. 'Quintland' was a large nine-room nursery compound where the girls were put on display for the entertainment of tourists. An outdoor horse-shoe-shaped playground surrounded by a glass-enclosed promenade allowed visitors to watch the quints at play. The first showing was from 10 a.m. until 11 a.m. They would be brought out again for half an hour in the afternoon. Because the glass was one-way, the girls had no idea that their playground was enveloped inside an audience. The grounds included a staff house for three nurses, three police officers, a housekeeper and two maids. An expansive parking area accommodated the cars and busses

bringing in between 2,000 and 7,000 visitors per day. Those arriving to view the girls were paraded through a check-in turnstile and allowed to stand and watch the toddlers at play for a total of three minutes. Police officers stood guard, demanding silence so that the quints would not be aware of the crowd eyeing them. A large sign with a clock on it announced to the public what time the next exhibition would be held. A seven-foot-tall chain link fence topped with barbed wire circled the property like a prison. Inside the compound, the girls followed strict routines concerning meals, baths, and exhibitions. They had private tutors and lives which did not extend much past 'Quintland.' Across the street from 'Quintland,' Oliva had set up a souvenir shop. There, three large bins were filled

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Above: Vintage photograph of the Dionne quintuplets on tour during the Second World War. Public domain image

Below: 1935 Sears Roebuck baby record book Courtesy of anonymous collector, Illinois



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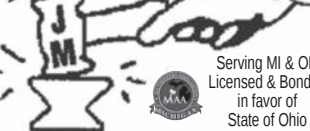
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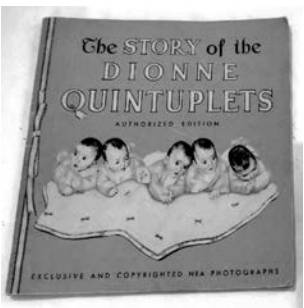
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with stones daily. Supposed to have come from the farm where the quints were born, they were marketed as fertility stones and they sold with amazing speed. Oliva also peddled photographs and other items which he happily autographed. His token stand was only one enterprise along three miles of chaotic activity. The once-barren stretch of road now sup-ported hotels to shelter travelers coming to see the quints, gas stations to fill up their automobiles, restaurants for them to eat at, hot dog stands, popcorn carts, and any enterprise that allowed a landowner to cash in on the global phenomenon of the Dionne quintuplets.

The two midwives who had attended the birth invited visitors to climb the steps of a platform on their property from which the quint nursery could be seen. They also exhibited a basket which they claimed had been the girls' first bed, and sold their autographs making about \$75 per day.

Pictures of the quints sprang up on merchandise around the globe. They became the face of Karo Corn Syrup, Lysol, Palmolive Soap, Carnation Milk, Baby Ruth Candy Bars and dozens of other items. Companies which didn't have licensing deals with the quints still jumped on the bandwagon. J.C. Penney advertised that if the quints had been born locally, "Penney's could have completely out-fitted them." One cream-ery's ad, which promised "a smile with every bite," added "That's what would happen when Yvonne, Cecil or Annette sunk their teeth into a delicious cone of McKay's homemade ice cream." Even car lots were profiting off using the quints' image in their ads.

It was the town they lived in, however, that profited the most. Newspa-



Above: 1935 book "The Story of the Dionne Quintuplets." Courtesy of Adrienne Thornton, Missouri

per articles there raved about the girls "bring-ing the jingle of cash" to the area and creating hun-dreds of jobs. Referred to as "a natural monopoly with no living competi-tors," the quints generated millions of dollars in tour-ist revenue.

Publications paid for exclusive rights to specific quint photos while their faces were splashed on cal-endars, paper dolls, cookie boxes, books, candy, card games, dolls, and even din-nerware. When Hollywood came calling, three quint films were made, two in 1936 and one in 1938.

Elzire and Oliva fought to gain back custody of the quints when they were nine years old. The family then relocat-ed to a 20-room mansion financed by the five girls. The quints later remembered it as a very unhappy home. As adults, they chose to avoid commercial publicity, and spoke out against child exploitation. Sadly, Emilie died at the age of 20 due to the effects of a stroke. Annette, the last of the quints died in 2025.

While vintage Dionne quintuplet memorabilia is available and affordable, it is not a flooded market. A full set of vintage Dionne quintuplet spoons usually goes for under \$25. Vin-tage quint books sell in the range of \$10, with vintage quint paper doll books commanding about twice that amount. The Dionne quintuplet birthday bowl, put out by Quaker Oats in 1935, was originally sold for 10 cents and two Quak-er Oats trademarks. "The



Above: 1940s silver-plate Dionne quintuplet spoons. Courtesy of anonymous collector, Washington

very same kind of oatmeal chosen for the Dionne quintuplets," the ad announced. The bowl can be scored today for around \$15. A photograph of the quint's first home, copied and sold by their father back when they were infants, has gone for less than \$30. Such photos are stamped on the back in purple ink "Purchased at booth operated by Quint's Parents."

In 1985, after the Dionne farmhouse had been moved from its origi-nal site to North Bay, the birthplace of the girls became the Dionne Quintuplet Museum. In 2016 the museum closed and the Dionne Quints Heri-tage Board was estab-lished to resuscitate it. The following year, it was moved to the area's water-front where it reopened in 2019 as the Dionne Quints Home Museum.

The Callander Museum and Alex Dufresne Gallery is housed in the old home-stead of the quints' physi-cian, Dr. Al-lan Roy Dafoe, located at 107 Lansdowne Street East in Callanader, Ontario, Canada. "The home was built in 1904 and Dafoe lived there from 1914 until his death in 1943," said the museum's curator Natasha Waitr. The museum covers the history of Callander, hosts local art exhibitions, and houses a large collection of memorabilia concerning the Dionne quintuplets. "This year we welcomed people from Costa Rica, Japan, India, Ukraine and Russia," said Waitr, who added that the quints "con-



Above: 1930s box of five pastel-robed Quintot Dolls, based on the Dionne quintuplets. Courtesy of Laurie Franklin, California

tinue to fascinate the pub-lic almost a century after their birth,"

Calling the story of the quintuplets a miracle as well as a tragedy, Waitr said, "As their fame sky-rocketed, the girls became symbols of hope during the Great Depression, but they were also heavily market-ed for commercial profit." She pointed out that ques-tions concerning the rights of children in the public eye remain just as rele-vant today as "Society's

fascination with the nary has changed very lit-unusual and extraordi- tle."

Below: 1930s Madame Alexander Dionne quintuplet dolls. Courtesy of Polly Harper, New Hampshire



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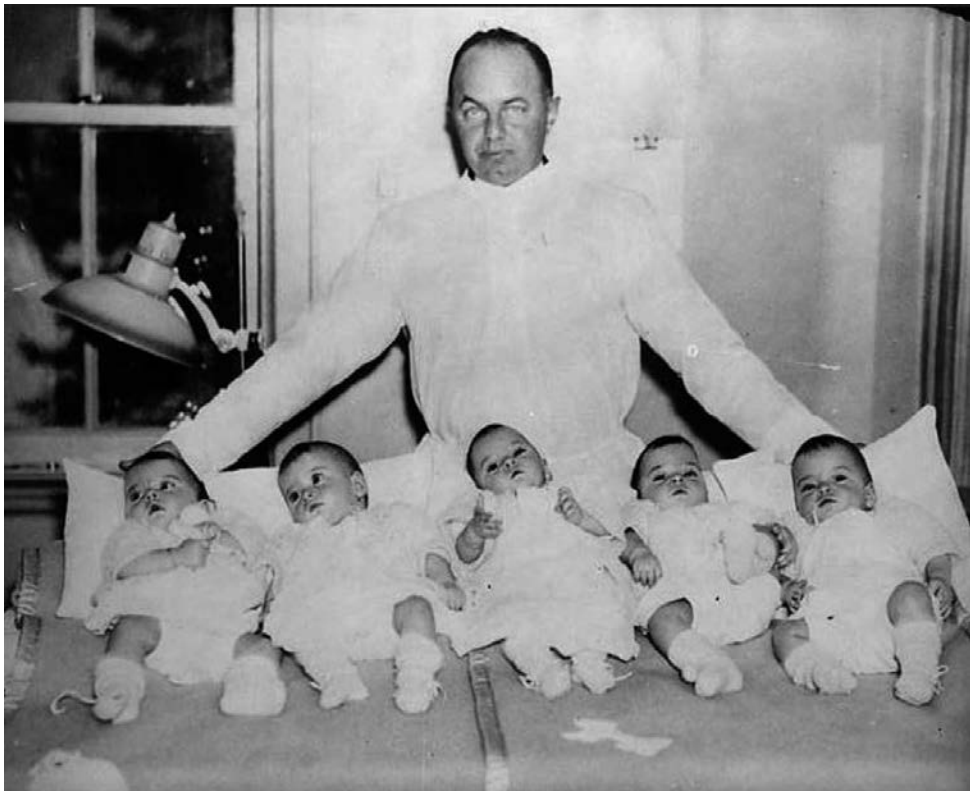
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