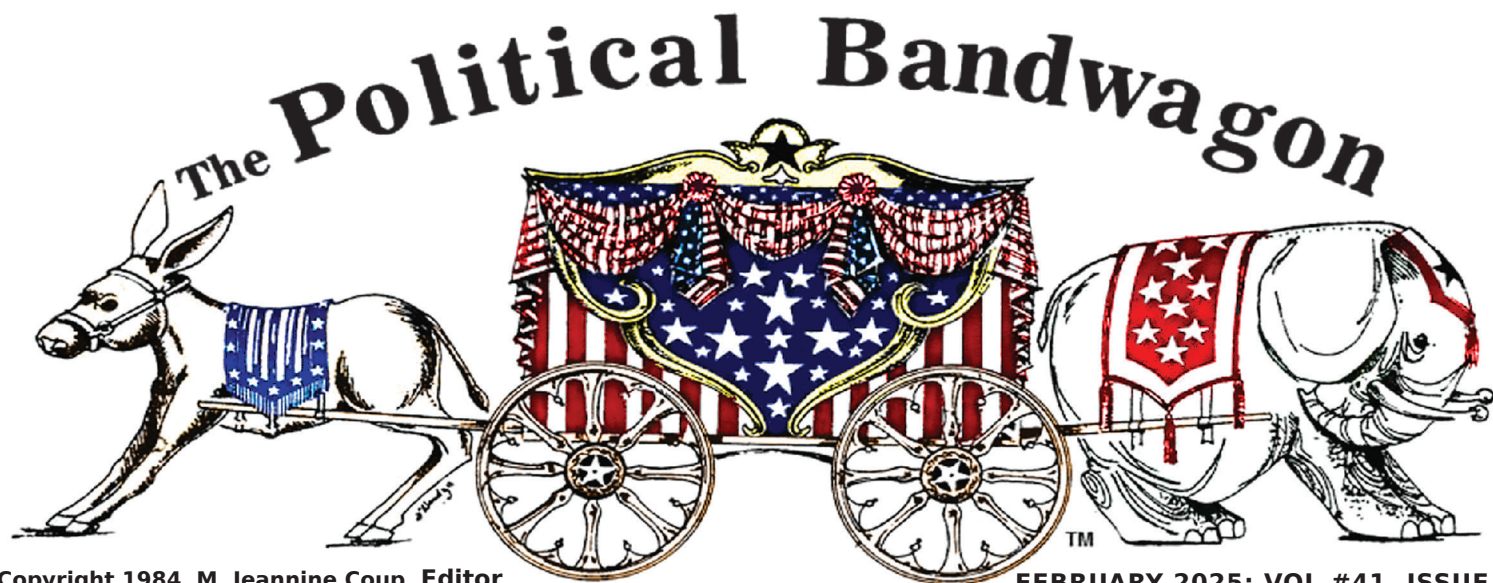




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CARTER AND THE ELDERS

"I have one life and one chance to make it count for something. I'm free to choose that something. That something—the something that I've chosen—is my faith. My faith demands that I do whatever I can, wherever I can, whenever I can, for as long as I can with whatever I have, to try to make a difference."

— Jimmy Carter

And make a difference he did. From a life of public and private service to others, to building homes with Habitat for Humanity, to the work of The Carter Center, toward the eradication of diseases, the promotion of human and civil rights, the promotion of democracy and empowerment of people through their votes in free and fair elections, to his work with The Elders. The Elders, you say? Yes, The Elders. Who are The Elders?

It is as it sounds. People of character and integrity. People worthy of trust and respect. People who have no personal agenda and therefore have the greater good as a priority. People with a long-term perspective. People who are both keepers of the vision, and who can design solutions and lead strategically. People who have by their lived experiences, expertise and wisdom born of a well-lived life are respected by their communities in many countries and cultures and faiths around the world. People not typically recognized so much in the wider American culture, with the exception of some disparate cultural and faith communities within the United States. Instead, the wider American culture celebrates youth and denegrates its elders. What wisdom is being lost as a result?

So the concept of the organization called "The Elders" originated from a conversation between entrepreneur and philanthropist Richard Branson and musician and human rights activist Peter Gabriel. The idea they discussed was simple: many communities look to their elders for guidance, or to help resolve disputes. In an increasingly interdependent world - a 'global village' - could a small, dedicated group of individuals use their collective experience and influence to help tackle some of the most pressing problems facing the world today?

Peter and Richard took the idea to Nelson Mandela, anti-apartheid activist and former President of South Africa. Mandela convened a group to discuss the idea including former President Carter, retired Archbishop Desmond Tutu and Mary Robinson, former President of Ireland, and others who led the development of the concept. The result was a group of elder statesmen, world leaders, Nobel peace



The launch of The Elders 2007. Left to right: Graça Machel, Mary Robinson, Jimmy Carter, Nelson Mandela, Li Zhaoxing, Kofi Anan, Muhammad Yunus, Desmond Tutu.

laureates, politicians and development experts forming a new humanitarian alliance to contribute their wisdom, independent leadership and integrity to tackle some of the world's toughest problems.

Other members included Ela Bhatt, a women's rights campaigner from India, former Norwegian prime minister Gro Harlem Brundtland, former UN Secretary-General Kofi Anan, former Chinese envoy to the UN Li Zhaoxing, and Muhammad Yunus, founder of Grameen bank, the pioneering micro-credit institution. On stage, at the announcement, a chair stood empty at the announcement for Myanmar's opposition leader Aung San Suu Kyi, who was invited to join the group but was under house arrest in her homeland at the time.

"It always seems impossible until it's done." - Nelson Mandela

On Mandela's birthday, 2007 July 18, The Elders held its inaugural meeting. Both Richard Branson and Peter Gabriel were present for the announcement. Branson and others pledged \$18m to fund The Elders over three years.

In this 2007 speech delivered on the occasion of his 89th birthday, Nelson Mandela announced the formation of The Elders and expressed his hope that the group will "work to support courage where there is fear, foster agreement where there is conflict, and inspire hope where there is despair." Here is the text of Mandela's speech:

In today's world, many of the problems we face are global in nature. These include climate change, pandemics such as aids, malaria and TB. And of course, that entirely human created affliction: violent conflict.

The structures we have to deal with these problems are often tied down by political, economic or geographical constraints.

As institutions of government grapple - often unequally - with challenges they face, the efforts of a small, dedicated group of leaders, working objectively and without any vested personal interest in the outcome, can help resolve what often seems like intractable problems.

We have the makings of such a group. Some of them are here, others could regrettably not attend. Using their collective experience, their moral courage and their ability to rise above the parochial concerns of nation, race and creed, they can help make our planet a more peaceful, healthy and equitable place to live.

Let us call them Global Elders, not because of their age, but because of their individual and collective wisdom.

This group derives its strength not from political, economic or military power, but from the independence and integrity of those who are here.

They do not have careers to build, (Continued on page 17...)

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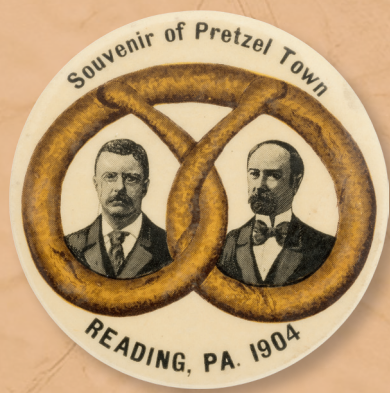
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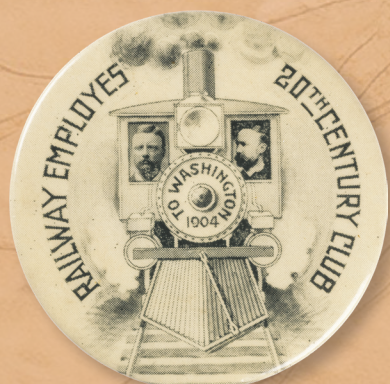
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HEAD OF STATE GIFTS

The exchange of gifts among kings and chiefs and presidents and premiers is a centuries-old tradition. From the ancient civilizations of Rome and Egypt to the native tribes of North America, ceremonial gifts have paved the way for peaceful coexistence between peoples of different cultures. They are universal symbols in the language of diplomacy.

In 1787 a young America defied this old custom and banned the acceptance of foreign gifts by government officials. For citizens of a new democracy, gifts bore both the distasteful odor of aristocracy and the distinct scent of danger: A bribe in betrayers' hands could topple a government. In spite of the prohibition, the strong tradition of diplomatic exchange compelled foreign leaders to continue to send gifts. Refusing them proved impossible; it was at best impolite and at worst a stinging offense. Despite early ideals, Presidents often had no choice but to accept foreign gifts; indeed, every President since George Washington has received gifts of state.

Today gift-giving between heads of state is an important part of modern-day international relations. U.S. Presidents routinely meet face to face with leaders from every corner of the earth. These state visits shimmer with pomp and ceremony, including formal welcomes, elaborate dinners, and the exchange of gifts. As tokens of this ritual of diplomacy, gifts are enduring emblems of international cooperation and friendship.

Though gifts from foreign leaders bear a symbolic meaning, they also resonate with the variety and vibrancy of all the nations of the world. They range from native arts or antiques-prized pieces of a country's culture and heritage-to sparkling gold and gemstones. Other gifts are surprisingly sentimental, symbols of national or personal friendship. All enrich the relations between two countries and their leaders. And each recalls a moment in history, when two nations-often separated by oceans or ideology-briefly clasped hands.

In April 1939 the Crown Prince and Princess of Norway visited President and Mrs. Roosevelt at the Roosevelt family home at Hyde Park, New York. Treated to tea, a recital by local Norwegian Americans, and a picnic in the rolling countryside of the Hudson River Valley, the royal couple was enchanted by their visit. They sent the Roosevelts this Art Deco-style tea set as a remembrance.

In May 1972 the two leaders of the world's most powerful countries met to sign the Strategic Arms Limitation Talks (SALT) agreement. By restricting missile production in the United States and the Soviet Union, Nixon and Brezhnev hoped to reduce the threat of war between the two nations.

Cloisonné, a difficult technique of soldering

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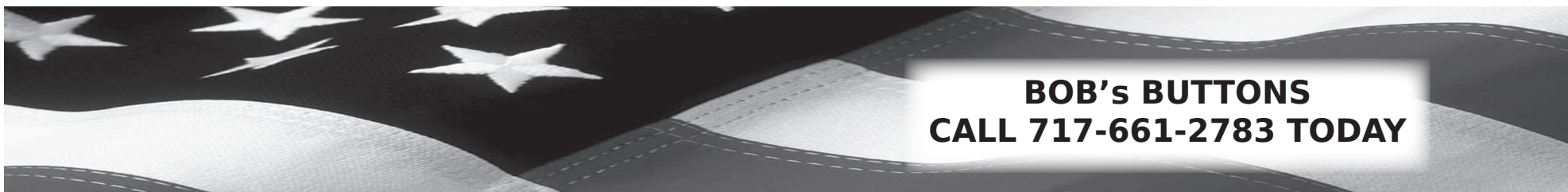
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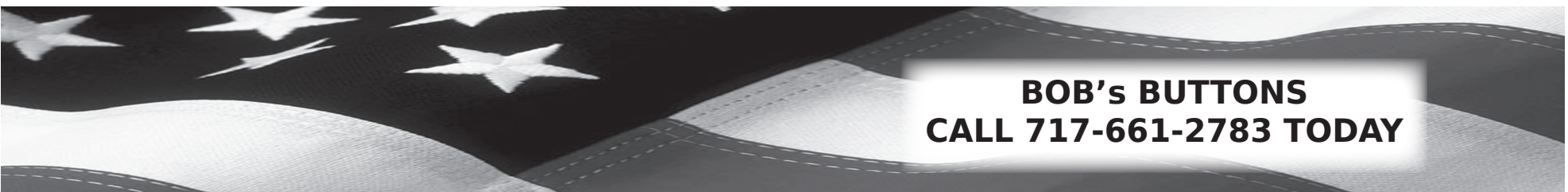
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548-12.00 Ford/Dole in '76 Victory for the American People

549-8.00 Young Illinois Ford, blu/w

550-7.00 M'Goo for Pres. yellow/bk

551-10.00 Ted Kennedy Will Win Big in the Mass. Primary, blu/w

552-10.00 EMK, Teddy Is Ready, r/blk/w

553-8.00 Miss Piggy for Pres. blu/w

554-9.00 Young Republicans for Reagan yellow/blu

555-8.00 Reagan rwb

556-8.00 Reagan for Pres in '76, rwb

557-6.00 Reagan, A Strong Agriculture is a Strong America, rwb

558-14.00 Elect Reagan Schweiker in '76 rwb

559-8.00 Reagan/Bush blu/w

560-8.00 Push Bush(41) Kelly for Delegate blk/tan jugate

561-18.00 Elect Poyman, A Dukakis Delegate April 19 (1988) blu/w

562-12.00 You Can Trust George Bush(41) yellow/blu

563-6.00 America Needs Bush & Powell in '92, rwb jugate

564-8.00 Re-Elect Clinton & Gore 1996 jugate rwb

565-12.00 I Like IKE rwb, 2.5"

566-8.00 Humphrey for Senator, blu/w

567-6.00 Forward With Nixon We Need Leadership rwb

568-8.00 Nixon, I Shall Return, Superman caricature, yellow/bk

569-8.00 McGov, A New Day For TX Education blu/w

570-6.00 Mitchell, S.Dak. McGovern's Home Town, blu/w

571-10.00 EMK, 1980, I'm Ready for Teddy r/green/w

572-8.00 Mondale/Ferraro '84 This lowan's For A Change, rwb jugate

573-8.00 Viva Reagan! rwb/tan

574-8.00 RR 12 Year Club 1968-80, blu/w

575-8.00 Christians for Reagan blu/w

576-6.00 Another American Hero for Reagan blu/w

577-32.00 National Prohibition Convention, 1979 Birmingham, AL rwb

578-15.00 50th Anniversary Local Union 304A Sioux Falls, SD 1993Oct4 - 1983Oct4

579-8.00 1988 Mario (Cuomo) Say Yes yellow/bk

580-6.00 anti-Bush(41) Education Pres. NOT. r/blk/w

581-22.00 Bush Deserves A Recount, Iowa, OR, Wisc., NM., rwb

582-12.00 Don't Blame Me I Voted for Bush blu/w

583-8.00 Clinton for Pres, Hillary for Congress r/blk/w

584-6.00 Bill Clinton is 40 1986 Aug 19 (Bill on tricycle caricature) rwb

585-8.00 Clinton, The Real Education Candidate NYSUT, NY State United Teachers, rwb

586-10.00 Bring Back The Gipper! Reagan in '96! rwb

587-8.00 Dole IS 96 rwb

588-10.00 Dole/Kemp '96 GOP, elephant ears jugate, r/blk/w/gld

589-14.00 Joe Biden 1988 A President to Make Us Proud Again blu/w

590-16.00 Biden/Harris 2000 rwb jugate

591-22.00 Biden for Pres blu/w

592-24.00 Steelworkers for Obama, Vote For Change, yellow/blu/w

593-12.00 Hillary 2008 The People's Choice, rwb

594-10.00 Jeb 2016 r/blk/w

595-10.00 Peroutka/Baldwin 2004, God, Family, Constitution Party

596-16.00 anti-Bush(43) Hail to the Thief rwb/y

597-24.00 Bush/Peach Trees Constitution 2004, blu/gld/w In God We Trust

598-16.00 anti-Bush cartoon blu/w/tan/green

600-34.00 Remember Watergate, Vote Democratic, rwb. curl: NG Slater

601-12.00 America's Great First Ladies, Eleanor, Jackie, Hillary, pink/bk

602-15.00 I Like IKE 3", rwb

603-15.00 In Memory of a Great American, 1908-1973 LBJ, 36th Pres, purple 3"

604-12.00 Agnew 36th VP 1973 Oct 10, I Have Resigned Today, blk/w

605-15.00 ERA, Elect Reagan Anyway rwb/pink

606-10.00 Reagan Posse gold sheriff's star on bk

607-10.00 America's Back Wisc. for Reagan '84, y/bk caricature

608-8.00 Star Year 1996 From Dallas to Alpha Centuri to Wash.DC Reform Aliens for Perot

609-18.00 Dukakis, Start Packing Packing Nancy, The Dems Are Coming caricature

610-8.00 Clinton, We Did It, Victory 1992 "Bush Defeats Clinton" headline

611-12.00 If They Take Our Guns, Now Can We Shoot Liberals? r/w

612-8.00 Israel, This Year With El Al blu/w

613-10.00 Clinton/Kaine 2016 donkey jugate rwb/gray

614-15.00 Trump/Pence 2016 elephant jugate rwb/gray

615-20.00 Trump/Pence 2020 Make America Even Greater, rwb/gre/gold

616-10.00 Organized Labor for Obama blu/w

617-8.00 Obama/Biden Ohio 2008 jugate rwb

618-8.00 McCain/Palin 2008 Read My Lipstick rwb

619-8.00 McCain Has Caught My Eye r/blk/w, google eye

620-10.00 Luvya Dubya 2004 St. Louis, The Gateway City, rwb

621-10.00 Bush/Cheney 2001 GOP jugate elephant ears

622-12.00 Bush, Vote For My Boy, caricature rwb/green

633-10.00 Gore 2000 IN Bayh, O'Bannon coattail Winning Team

634-22.00 Gore to the Core 2000, r/gre/bk/w

635-15.00 American Freedom Train, 1975-76 US Bicentennial steam engine tour thru all 48 contiguous states

636-8.00 Stevenson for Pres. rwb

637-18.00 We Don't Want Eleanor Either Willie anti-FDR blk/w

638-8.00 Peace & Prosperity with Eisenhower rwb

639-8.00 If I Were 21 I'd Vote for Kennedy rwb

640-9.00 Johnson/Humphrey Vote Democratic rwb jugate USA map

641-9.00 Goldwater in '64 America Needs A Change, r/blk/w

642-10.00 Goldwater/Miller A Choice Not An Echo, rwb jugate

643-10.00 Goldwater for Pres. rwb

644-9.00 America Needs Nixon/Agnew rwb

645-12.00 Nixon/Ford jugate 1973 Dec 6th (the date Ford was sworn in, post Watergate)

646-9.00 Rockefeller for Pres, rwb

647-9.00 Reagan for Pres. rwb

648-10.00 Reagan, Ohio '84 Whistle Stop Tour rwb

649-10.00 Welcome to the DNC 1984 San Francisco, streetcar

650-8.00 Dan Quayle 1992 America's Choice rwb/gld

651-8.00 Clinton/Gore 1992 rwb/pink

652-14.00 I Was At 2000 Pres. Debate, Bush, Keyes, McCain, Forbes, Bauer, Hatch

653-14.00 In Memory of a Great American 1908-1973 LBJ, purple/w 4"

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HEAD OF STATE GIFTS

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and enamel painting-and a specialty of Russian craftsman-is a favorite gift of Russian leaders. This Cloisonné liqueur set was a gift to President Nixon from Leonid Brezhnev, General Secretary of the Communist Party of the Soviet Union Vermeil, enamel, pitcher: 11 1/2 x 5 x 3 inches; cups: 3 1/2 x 1 1/2 inches.

When he visited the United States in 1956, Chancellor Adenauer gave this painting by a Southeast German master to the President. The two leaders discussed the progress of rebuilding postwar West Germany.

Roman forces occupied present-day Israel from about 60 B.C. to 600 A.D. Many hundreds of years later, this remarkably preserved remnant of Israeli history became a gift to an American President. This water or wine vessel, Roman, first or second century was a Gift to President Ford from Shimon Peres, Israeli Glass, 6 5/8 x 5 inches.



Defense Minister

President Jimmy Carter helped to negotiate peace between Egypt and Israel after 31 years of war. When Carter visited Egypt in 1979, President Anwar Sadat, by then a good friend, presented Carter with this gift, Egypt's highest honor. The Great Order of the Nile Gift, pictured here, is made of gold, enamel, and synthetic stones, 16 x 12 inches.

Because of his love for riding, President Reagan received dozens of saddles from both the general public and foreign leaders. President Bendjedid, of Algeria presented this richly embroidered saddle during an official state visit in April 1985. It's made of

Leather, velveteen, woven cord, and gold thread, 19 x 27 x 23 inches.

As the world watched on television, an American spaceship landed on the Moon on July 20, 1969. Two U.S. astronauts took the first steps on the lunar surface, making a "giant leap" for mankind. This brooch commemorates the achievement, one of the most momentous events of President Nixon's administration-and of the century. The Man on the Moon brooch was a gift to Pat Nixon from Freddy Wolfers, Brussels, Belgium and is made of gold, silver, enamel, 2 x 2 inches.



A football injury in college left Kennedy with chronic back problems. Despite several operations the condition persisted, leaving him in constant pain. As President, Kennedy often sat in a rocking chair in the Oval Office to gain a small measure of relief. These handmade miniature rocking chairs were sent in sympathy for the President's struggle, not from a foreign leader, but by US citizens. They're made by Joe Hnath, Jr., St. Mary's, PA.

The Riases of Mercedes, TX customized these boots for President Eisenhower with both national and personal symbols. Their design includes the U.S. Capitol, the Great Seal of the United States, sunflowers from Eisenhower's home state of Kansas, and "Ike," the President's nickname.



"We have made these typical cowboy boots for you . . . Please accept them with our best wishes for your continued good health and complete success in your efforts to keep this country of ours the finest country in the world."-Letter from Zeferino and Eli Rios, October 16, 1953.

Some of the greatest strides in the quest for civil rights for black Americans were made during the Johnson administration. LBJ pushed three civil rights bills through Congress, forever outlawing voter literacy tests and discrimination in employment, public places, and housing. He also appointed

the first African American to the Supreme Court, Thurgood Marshall. This untitled watercolor painting of a black woman sewing an American flag, by O, Vereisky, 1964 was a gift of the Honorable William Benton, New York, NY.



The tradition of gifts exchanged between heads of state is as old as civilization itself, with its history predating the written records of mankind. At times, relations between nations are strained as different cultures and national interests confront each other. As the way to avoid unnecessary quarrels and disagreements, rules for conduct among sovereign states developed through the years. The practice of diplomacy provides the means to resolve differences and to preserve

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By Mason St. Clair and Scott Jasnoch

This month we take a look at a few items found on the PME Facebook page. We hope everyone gets out to a show and enjoys themselves!

First up is a 7/8" pin featuring the portraits of McKinley and Hobart, with their names above them. It was bought in the end for only \$24.

Next is another 7/8" pin, this time with William Jennings Bryan making an appearance. Although there is a cello cut on the back at 10:00, it is still a great purchase at \$20.

It's not everyday that this 5/8" Taft mini-pin is available in such condition. The bright blue and gold match perfectly and this example has his name on the top. A must have at just \$22.

Although small in size at 5/8", this Keep Coolidge Pennsylvania is a classic design for it's time. There is some smudging on the surface but the price of \$28 is well worth it!

The best saved for last is this 1 1/4" Parker pin. Some lite staining appears at 8:00 but that doesn't negate the fair price of \$38 to purchase.

Until next time and one day closer to spring!

"War may sometimes be a necessary evil. But no matter how necessary, it is always an evil, never a good. We will not learn to live together in peace by killing each other's children."

— Jimmy Carter, The Nobel Peace Prize Lecture

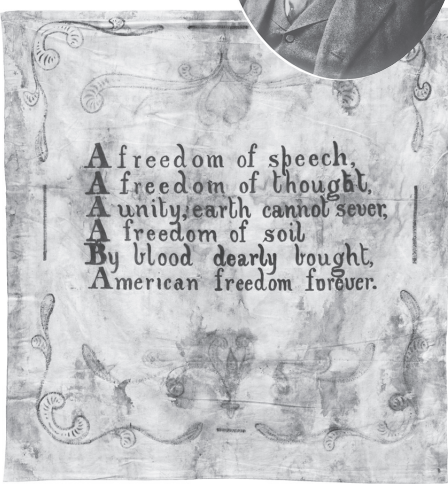
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By Michael McQuillen
HAKES #242

Hake’s Auctions closed their sale #242 last November, with a great assortment of political, historical items and other Americana. Here we will review many of the political items that sold in the \$2900 and up range. A ROOSEVELT UNCLE SAM “WELCOME” SUNRISE 1 ¼” BUTTON landed at \$2927 (all prices realized include an 18% buyer’s premium and are rounded-up to the nearest dollar.) Featuring the 1912 Democratic ticket w/stars and stripes in background was a 1 ¼” WILSON & MARSHALL RARE PATRIOTIC GOLDEN EAGLE JUGATE BUTTON, selling for \$2998. TR appeared again with a 1 ¼” ROOSEVELT AND LOS ANGELES FESTIVAL OF FLOWERS RARE 1903 BUTTON at \$3245.



1856 TWO SIDED CAMPAIGN BANNER hung-up at a very reasonable \$3894.



Minor wear didn’t deter bidders on a MCKINLEY & BRYAN RARE “ECLIPSE WILL BE TOTAL NOV. 6TH 1900” 1 ¼” BUTTON which rose to \$4024. In contrast to the earlier Fremont piece, a FILLMORE KNOW NOTHING PARTY “CONSTITUTION & LAWS” GRAPHIC 1856 TEXTILE exceeded expectations, needing \$4024 to close. Measuring just 7/8” was a ROOSEVELT “A SQUARE DEAL” IMPRESSIVE 1912 PORTRAIT BUTTON RARITY which found a new home at \$4130.

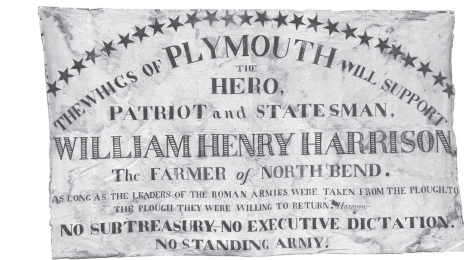
Straight from the Rex & Patti Stark collection was a JEFFERSON FULL STANDING PORTRAIT WITH HANCOCK IMPRESSIVE LIVERPOOL CREAMWARE JUG standing 9 ½” tall and with a \$4186 price tag. Also from that famed collection was an 11” tall JOHN ADAMS OUTSTANDING, LARGE & RARE LIVERPOOL CREAMWARE JUG which managed \$4537. Framed and ready to display was a LINCOLN & JOHNSON MILLSTONE, NEW JERSEY 1864 CAMPAIGN CLUB BROADSIDE which hung up to \$4543.



While not a campaign button, I would be remiss in not mentioning a “SCORE AGAINST HITLER LIFT BAN ON NEGRO PLAYERS” CIVIL RIGHTS WWII 1 ¼” BASEBALL BUTTON which hit a home run at \$6490! The same price was had for a ROOSEVELT “KANSAS CITY JULY 30, 1912” RARE MISSOURI PROGRESSIVE CONVENTION PORTRAIT 1 ¼” BUTTON. The Stark collection also shared a CASS & BUTLER 1848 PEWTER RIM JUGATE MEDALLION which rounded the corner at \$6639.



A PARKER & DAVIS “DEMOCRACY OR PLUTOCRACY” 1904 JUGATE DIAL POCKET WATCH greatly exceeded its guide, coming in at \$6892. 1840 was in the house, with a HARRISON “HERO, PATRIOT AND STATESMAN” 1840 CAMPAIGN BANNER which measured an impressive 50” x 86” - it took \$7139 to secure the deal. Light staining did not deter bidders on a 1 ¼” ROOSEVELT & JOHNSON BULL MOOSE ON MAP OF AMERICA RARE JUGATE BUTTON which forged ahead to \$11,137.



Another feature item of the sale was a WILLIAM HENRY HARRISON COBALT BLUE STONEWARE LOG CABIN BANK - standing just 4 ½” high and realizing \$11,682. A “YOUTH FOR KENNEDY” IMPORTANT & RARE 1952 SENATE PRE-PRESIDENTIAL HOLY GRAIL 2 2/4” PICTURE CAMPAIGN BUTTON which stood tall at \$12,331.

Finally, the Biggie of the day was a “COX ROOSEVELT CLUB” HOLY GRAIL PRESIDENTIAL CAMPAIGN BUTTON. According to the auction house - at 1” - only the 1 ¼” varieties are larger. Patriotic color scheme makes this design a true standout. Additionally, this is the only Cox & Roosevelt jugate to feature color. When placed next to all designs we argue this variety - and particularly this specimen - is truly choice among its peers.

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BURN YOUR BUTTONS

By Harvey Goldberg

One of the most prolific outpourings of campaign buttons occurred during the 1940 Franklin Roosevelt-Wendell Willkie election. Antagonism, bitterness, party rivalries, and even outright hatred sparked campaign buttons that offered a multitude of slanderous slogans, character assassination attempts, and mudslinging phrases. Though most of the pins were generic, a small number were specific in their messages.

One could just see voters wearing buttons with anything from the rather mild “**NO THIRD TERM**” to those calling Roosevelt a dictator, a despot, a thief (not in so many words) and more. On the other side, there were a number of anti-Willkie slogan pins which tended for the most part to be milder in their criticism such as “**BETTER A THIRD TERMER THAN A THIRD RATER**”.

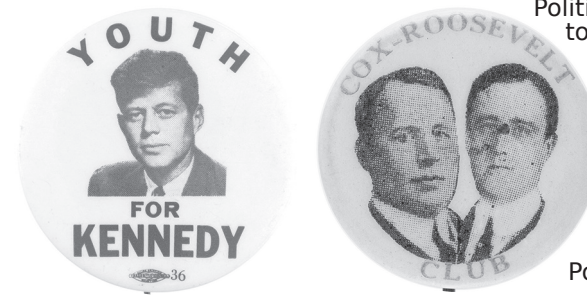
The quantity of pins produced for this campaign is probably among the highest of any presidential campaign. With all the animosity spread during the campaign, the following item appeared on the front page of the *NEW YORK TIMES* amid the election returns on November 6, 1940, the day after the election:

“BONFIRES OF ALL BUTTONS URGED TO HEAL BITTERNESS”

Public bonfires of all Democratic and Republican campaign literature and buttons was suggested by William Allen White, national chairman of the Committee to Defend America, as a means of healing partisan bitterness and for launching a nation-wide campaign to safeguard American democracy. Mr. White, in a statement issued last night, urged unity mass meetings as soon as possible after the election, in a message to the representatives of the group’s local chapters in the 48 states. The meetings should be held, White said, not in the spirit of exaltation on the part of the victorious party but with the idea that we destroy these symbols of bitterness which existed during the campaign and unite now on a national program of safeguarding American freedoms.

One might guess, from the large quantity of 1940 FDR and Willkie buttons available for collectors, both slogan and photo buttons, that not a great number of pin wearers followed this suggestion. It would (theoretically) appear that the only buttons which might have been burned were some of the Willkie-McNary jugates which have achieved a degree of scarcity among collectors. Who knows? Perhaps had more of the voters taken Mr. White’s suggestion, your “**WILLKIE FOR PRESIDENT OF COMMONWEALTH AND SOUTHERN**” and your “**WE DON’T WANT ELEANOR EITHER**” might rival those elusive “**COX-ROOSEVELT**” pins of 1920.

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HEAD OF STATE GIFTS (Continued from page 7 . . .)

national honor without resorting to violence. State meetings provided the avenues of diplomatic communication between nations, allowing sovereigns to discuss matters of mutual interest according to the prescribed forms of diplomatic form. The gifts exchanged were part of the ceremonial nature of the public role of summit diplomacy.

The practice of an exchange of gifts between sovereigns is illustrated vividly in the 16th century account by the English chronicler, Rafael Holinshed. He went to France to record the meeting between Francis I of France and Henry VIII of England in 1520. The meeting was arranged to work out some of the significant differences existing between France and England. Holinshed recorded the meeting of the two kings as taking place on the “Field of Cloth of Gold”, because the fiercely competitive display of jewels, chains of gold, and garments made from cloth of gold and silver worn by the lords and ladies in the two royal entourages.

The sovereigns moved cautiously around the explosive issues that divided the two nations while participating in a lengthy ritual of friendship and amity. Holinshed reported that the two kings exchanged “pleasant talke, banqueting, and loving devices.” Following the dictates of diplomatic practice they participated in a show of friendship which preserved the image of goodwill, leaving open for the future the opportunity to discuss the problems that divided them. Our historical antecedents have been shaped by our form of government. Beginning with our first president, it was a custom that was later made into law, that a president accepts gifts on behalf of the American people and may ceremonially use or display them in the White House during his administration. The gifts then remain the property of the government and must be housed and maintained by

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a federal agency—such as a presidential library, the Smithsonian Institution, or the Department of State.

Gifts of State or gifts for foreign leaders are a constant consideration for each President and each decides on a particular gift suitable for a particular guest. In other words, there isn't one official U.S. Gift of State.

The Carters asked state governors to contribute an item native to their state that could be a special gift for a foreign leader. A variety of gifts were given: Williamsburg silver dishes from Virginia and hand-woven woolen shawls from Kentucky. Books which appealed to a visitor's special interest were selected, as well as leather bound photographic albums documenting their visit. Steuben crystal, Boehm pieces and china plates decorated with Winslow Homer paintings were also given.

Diplomatic Gifts of State, like Head of State Gifts, come in all shapes and sizes from woven straw baskets to precious gems. In ancient civilizations on every continent, dignitaries and leaders exchanged gifts to welcome, honor and cultivate beneficial diplomatic relationships. National Museum of American Diplomacy is the only museum in the nation dedicated to collecting these items. Their growing collection is a testament to the fact that diplomacy has made a big impact on our lives and on our nation's history.

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Side 1: TR bust, "1858-1919 The Hall of Fame for Great Americans at New York University, ©1938".
Side 2: TR on horseback, "Men Can Never Escape Being Governed".
Curl: Medallist Art Co., NY Sculptor: Albino Manca. Paper: 5"x7.5" folded printed pamphlet from The Hall of Fame describing TR, the design, the sculptor, the Distributor, the Art Committee, the Manufacturer and the Hall of Fame itself is included with the original packaging. Category: Statesman. Year Elected to Hall of Fame: 1950. Year Issued: 1969. Bronze.



W271-\$24.00
Side 1: Hoover Lucky Pocket Piece, elephant.
Side 2: "Good for 4 Years of Prosperity," 1" dia. brass token 1928 presidential campaign



W272-\$35.00
Side 1: jugata portrait busts
Side 2: J.A. Garfield, C.A. Arthur, Union shield. 1" dia. token/medalet. 1880 presidential campaign



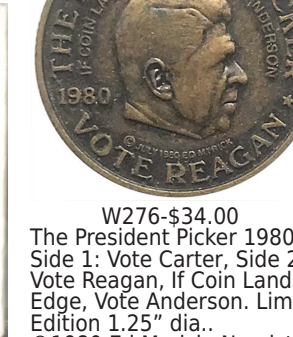
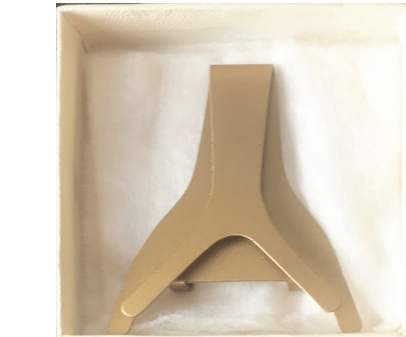
W273-\$50.00
Side 1: jugata portrait busts. Signature of engraver, P.L. KRIDLER PHILA., below. Side 2: "The Republicans Have Ruled Since 1860 And With Blaine and Logan Are Good For Another Term". Union shield, 1" dia. token/medalet.



W274-\$35.00
Woodrow Wilson, Inaugurated to President of the United States Mar.4, 1914, Second Term Mar.5, 1917. 3" dia. medal. Bronze. Designer George T. Morgan



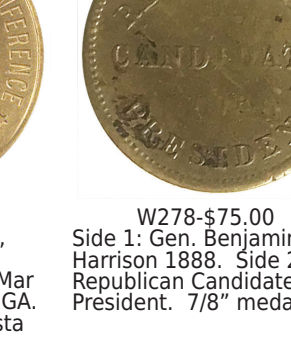
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Benjamin Harrison, Inaugurated President of the United States Mar.4, 1889. 3" dia. medal.



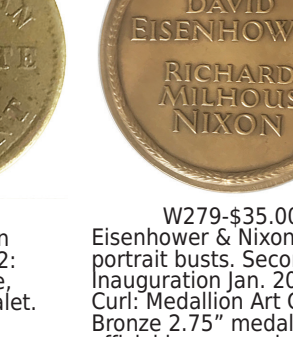
W276-\$34.00
The President Picker 1980. Side 1: Vote Carter, Side 2: Vote Reagan, 1/2 coin lands on Edge. Vote Anderson. Limited Edition 1.25" dia. ©1980 Ed Myrick. Numista Rarity index: 87



W277-\$15.00
Side 1: FDR 1882-1945, Side 2: International Monetary Conference, Mar 5-12, 1946, Savannah, GA. 1.25" dia. token. Numista Rarity index: 97



W278-\$75.00
Side 1: Gen. Benjamin Harrison 1888. Side 2: Republican Candidate, President. 7/8" medalet.



W279-\$35.00
Eisenhower & Nixon jugata portrait busts. Second Inauguration Jan. 20, 1957. Curl: Medallion Art Co., NY, Bronze 2.75" medal. 1957 official inaug. medal



W280-\$12.00
Side 1: Franklin D. Roosevelt bust. Side 2: Lucky Play Money #1, laurel & star. 5/16" dia. 1937 token. Engraver: Franz Eue. Numista Rarity index: 66



W281-\$130.00
2.75" dia. bronze medal in box. Side 1: JFK, Lincoln, Garfield, McKinley w/accurate reproductions of each President's signature under each portrait bust. In small print at bottom: "Ralph J. Menconi ©1965". Side 2: "Presidents of the United States of America Who Gave Their Lives in Devotional Service to This Nation. Also listed are the dates each one was killed: Lincoln 1865/04/15, Garfield 1881/09/19, McKinley 1901/09/14, JFK 1961/11/22. This is flanked left by American Flag and right by Presidential flag. The Presidential Seal appears under the listing. Curl: Medallist Art Co., NY, Bronze. Metal display easel included in package. Paper: 5.5"x12-3/8" single page printed flyer describing each President and the medal itself is included in the package. NEAR MINT condition.



W282-\$158.00
Commemorates Battle of Trafalgar, 1805 Oct21, British navy against Franco-Spanish navy of the Third War of the Third Coalition of Napoleonic Wars. Side 1: "In Life Victorious, In Death Triumphant, MDCCCXV", pictures Roman soldier holding pike & King Neptune holding his Trident in repose. Side 2: "Gallant Nelson Died In the Hour of Victory, 21 Oct AD 1805." Crown floats over profile of Nelson above a sarcophagus topped w/ anchor, cannon, cannon balls all surrounded by flags & pikes. Text at bottom: "Trafalgar". Horatio Nelson was the Commander of the fleet. 2"dia. death medal.



W283-\$85.00
Side 1: Columbus bust, 1492-1892. Side 2: "This Medal is Made Of the New Metal Aluminium, Tasteless, Odorless, Does Not Tarnish" 1-3/8" dia. token commemorating the 400th anniversary of his landing in the Americas.



W284-\$42.00
Side 1: bust of FDR, 1965. Side 2: United States of America, E Pluribus Unum, One Dime, torch of Liberty. 3" dia. medal that is a large version of the current US 10 cent coin in circulation since 1946.



W285-\$160.00
Side1: "Uphold President Wilson". Side 2: "Have given \$1.00 to the Pennsylvania Democratic Campaign Fund for United States Senator, A. Mitchell Palmer. For Governor Vance C. McCormick 1914." 1.25" dia. PA coattail made into fob



W286-\$195.00
Bicentennial 1776-1976 July 4, Side 1: Benjamin Franklin, Liberty Bell, Philadelphia, Side 2: Independence Hall, Eagle, Freedom (printed under eagle's feet) 2.5" dia. Designer: Frank Gasparro (printed under Franklin bust) Numista Rarity index: 97

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W301-\$20.00
TR, Women's Roosevelt Memorial Association Service, reverse: Standard Emblem Co. Providence RI 1/2" dia. Given in commemoration for a fund drive.



W296-\$275.00
Member Babe Ruth Baseball Club, 1", curl: Parisian Novelty Co., Chicago 1934 Quaker Oats Advertising (He died 1948 Aug 16)



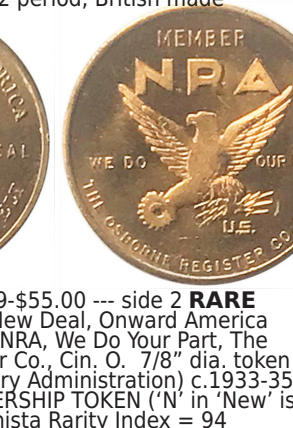
W297-\$22.00
Department of Kansas G.A.R. Washington, D.C. 1902 Oct 6th curl & paper: Whitehead & Hoag 1.25" (stained around the edge)



W298-\$65.00
American Red Cross 7/8" Merry Christmas, Happy New Year, MCMXI (1911) paper: Whitehead & Hoag



side 1 --- W299-\$55.00 --- side 2 RARE
Side 1: FDR, A New Deal, Onward America Side 2: Member NRA, We Do Your Part, The Osborne Register Co., Cin. O. 7/8" dia. token (National Recovery Administration) c.1933-35 FDR NRA MEMBERSHIP TOKEN ('N' in 'New' is backwards) Numista Rarity Index = 94



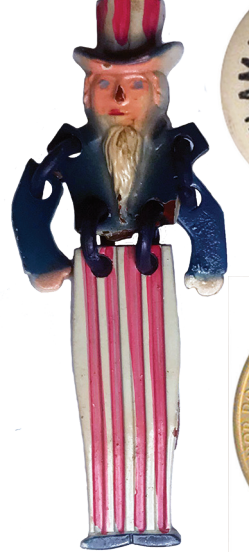
W300-\$20.00
sailor with spy glass behind ship's wheel pin back brooch 1-5/8"



W305-\$30.00
eagle celluloid Volunteer, Victory, 1.5" die-cut celluloid tab. Maker: American Art Works, Coshocton, OH.



W306-\$135.00
G.A.R. (Grand Army of the Republic) "Representative" 1.5" dia. medal, ribbon attached to bar pin embossed with the GAR logo. Side 1: Commander George W. Rhoads. Side 2: 54th Annual Encampment Dept. of Penna. G.A.R. Indiana, PA June 1920



W302-\$20.00
Klamath Falls, OR 50,000 Club 1916 3/4"



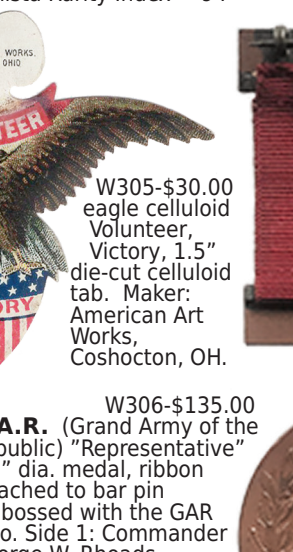
W303-\$22.00
Give Me Liberty or Give Me Death, US & Greek Flags, 1"



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B.W.R.S. (British War Relief Services) 5/8" stick pin



W309-\$85.00 NEAR MINT
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W310-\$78.00
Gen. U.S. Grant gem 1"x 3/4" circa 1860's



W311-\$24.00
patriotic eagle & shield w/sunburst, small print & paper: Whitehead & Hoag 1.75"



W312-\$32.00
US Iran hostages Day 444, Jan 20, 1981 Welcome Home, 3.5"



W316-\$32.00
3.5" I Was in Wash., DC When The Hostages Were Released, Jan 20, 1981



W317-\$15.00
Blue Star 1942 representing a family member in service, WWII, 7/8"



W318-\$26.00
CIO, Shipyard Workers Union, curl: Bastian Bros., 1.75"



W319-\$22.00
1918 Enrolled in Greater Lynn Patriotic Census 7/8"



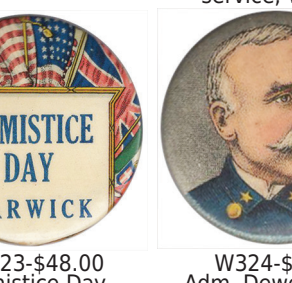
W320-\$34.00
Missouri S.S.A. (Social Security Administration) 1920, 7/8"



W321-\$30.00
U.S. Cruiser, "New York" 1/5"



W325-\$16.00
U.S. Cruiser, "Miantonomah" 7/8"



W326-\$15.00
The White Squadron U.S. War Ship "Newark", 7/8"



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The White Squadron U.S. War Ship "Newark", 7/8"



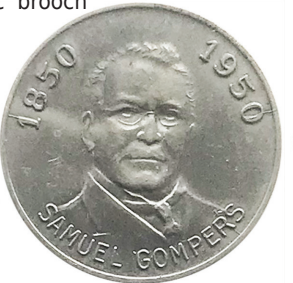
W328-\$15.00
Fight Infantile Paralysis girl & boy, 1.25" die-cut metal litho tab



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W330-\$42.00
Member O.E.A. 1919-20 (probably related to the League of Nations formed after WW1) 7/8"



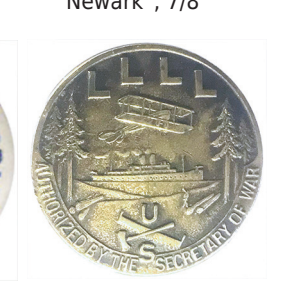
W331-\$24.00
1/4" USA pin with 1/2" oak leaf charm, Sterling stamped on back of "USA" pin



W332-\$12.00
Aid to Russia Helps the US 7/8" dia. litho tab



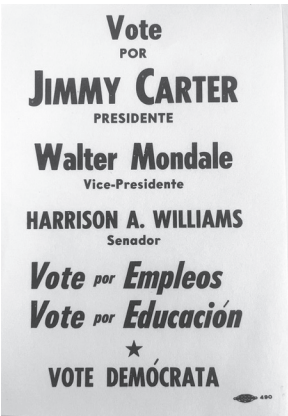
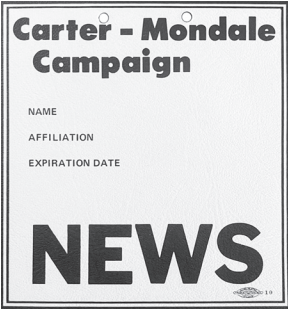
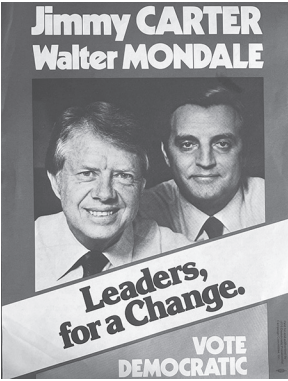
W333-\$15.00
Home Service Program for 1920, Salvation Army, 11/16" litho reverse: J.L. Lynch



W334-\$75.00
"LL4L Authorized By" The US Secretary of War (Loyal Legion of Loggers & Lumbermen) Reverse: Wh&H 1.25" metal pin back, WW1

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How I Met and Worked For Jimmy Carter: Stories from the Campaign Trail



memorabilia and anecdotes. Shown here are items from my collection.

When I published *Whistle-Stop Politics: Campaign Trains and the Reporters Who Covered Them* in 2024, I included the following stories about Carter’s campaign train trip.

The 18-car campaign train tour in 1976 was sponsored by the Democratic National Committee and cost about \$100,000. “We expect this train will do the one thing Jimmy Carter likes to do better than anything else: campaign at the grassroots where the people are,” DNC chairman Robert Strauss told the *Associated Press*.

ABC News correspondent Jim Wooten, who covered the train tour, told me that “late in the evening, in the dusk of a long hard day, [author] Teddy White and I were returning to our seats after a stop in Johnstown [Pa.] (I think).

“As the train moved out into the more sparsely populated reaches of the community and eventually into the rural countryside, Carter’s voice could be heard echoing against the empty landscape. ‘I hope ya’ll [sic] can help me, now,’ he was saying over and over, hoping somehow that if he said it one more time, it would make the difference between winning and losing.”

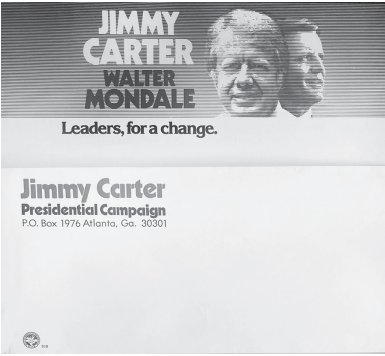
Jody Powell, Carter’s former press secretary who later hired me to work in the Washington DC office of Ogilvy Public Relations in the 1990s, told me why he regretted having a copying machine installed on Carter’s whistle-stop train tour of New Jersey and Pennsylvania.

It was during the train trip that news broke about the controversial interview Carter had given to *Playboy* magazine, in which he admitted that he had “looked on a lot of women with lust” and “committed adultery in my heart many times.”

Powell thought the copier would be used to duplicate news releases and Carter’s speeches for the traveling press corps. But when someone got hold of the text of the *Playboy* interview, reporters used the machine to run off copies.

That’s when Powell said he regretted having put the copier on the train.

On one occasion, it was a welcome gift Carter received during the trip that made news.



California at the Book Passage Bookstore, where he signed my copy of his book, *Sharing Good Times*. I told him that I had worked on his campaign in 1976, and he replied, “Yes, that turned out pretty well, didn’t it?”

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DID YOU KNOW?



George Edwin Taylor. Facsimile inscription in lower right corner reads “Very Truly, Geo. E. Taylor”. Additional text to the left reads “Standard Bearer of National Liberty Party for President, U.S.A. 1904” and “Notice:- The only Negro who ever made the race for President”. 8.5”x11” Courtesy of [#238](http://hakes.com), lot 513

was raised by a politically active black farmer, attended country schools and Wayland Academy (1877 to 1879) in Beaver Dam, Wisconsin, where he studied the “classical curriculum.” Taylor resided in Wisc. until 1891. He later moved to Oskaloosa, Iowa.

In 1904, at age 47, he became, as Bruce Mouser wrote in “*For Labor, Race, and Liberty: George Edwin Taylor*,” the first Black candidate for U.S. president. And he did so proudly as a member of the National Negro Liberty Party (NNLP).

In fact, he ran for president 68 years before the great New York Congresswoman Shirley Chisholm threw her stylish hat in the presidential ring in 1972.

In addition to being a political activist and politician, Taylor was a journalist and editor. And as documented by Linton Weeks at WHYY, Taylor was fearlessly outspoken in his condemnation of racist disenfranchisement. That explains why he joined the fearless and outspoken NNLP, which, in the year he ran for U.S. president, held a national convention in St. Louis with representatives from 36 states.

The NNLP was pro-Black and woke before anybody even used those terms, which explains why, as early as 1904 (and before), it included reparations as a major plank in its political platform along with universal suffrage, self-government in the District of Columbia, career opportunities in the military, public ownership of railroads to guarantee equal accommodations, and anti-lynching legislation.

Founded in Little Rock, Arkansas, in 1897, the NNLP was originally called the Ex-Slave Petitioners’ Assembly. As noted by James Davidson in “*Encountering the Ex-Slave Reparation Movement from the Grave: The National Industrial Council and National Liberty Party*,” published in the *Journal of African American History*, the NNLP aggressively petitioned for pensions for formerly enslaved persons. The assembly reorganized in 1900 as the National Industrial Council and in 1903 added anti-lynching, voter disenfranchisement and Jim Crow to its political and economic platform. (Michael Coard, *Pennsylvania Capitol-Star*, 8/4/2021)

From 1879, Taylor worked as a journalist in the La Crosse area, contributing to numerous local newspapers. Taylor worked for the *La Crosse Free Press* and then the *La Crosse Evening Star*. During the years 1880 to 1885 he produced newspaper columns for local papers as well as articles for the *Chicago Inter Ocean*.

Coard writes: “Taylor developed a keen interest in labor activism and politics, so much so that he joined the Wisconsin People’s Party and the Union Labor Party.” He sided with one of the competing labor factions in La Crosse and helped re-elect the pro-labor mayor, Frank “White Beaver” Powell, in 1886. In the months that followed, Taylor became a leader and office holder in Wisconsin’s statewide Union Labor Party, and his own newspaper, the *Wisconsin Labor Advocate*, became one of the newspapers of the party.

In 1887 Taylor was a member of the Wisconsin delegation to the first national convention of the Union Labor Party, which met in Ohio in April, and refocused his newspaper on national political issues. As his prominence increased, his race became an issue, and Taylor responded to the criticism by increasingly writing about African American issues. Sometime in 1887 or 1888 his paper ceased publication.

“At age 34, he moved to Iowa where he published a national weekly magazine called the *Negro Solicitor*. This began leading him to national prominence, culminating in him founding and being elected president of the National Colored Men’s Protective Association [an early civil rights organization] in 1892 and also being elected president of the National Negro Democratic League [an organization of blacks within the Democratic Party] eight years later.” (Coard, *Pennsylvania Capitol-Star*, 8/4/2021)

From 1900 to 1904 he aligned himself with the Populist faction that attempted to reform the Democratic Party. Taylor joined the first national political party created exclusively for

GEORGE EDWIN TAYLOR (1857-1925) & THE NATIONAL NEGRO LIBERTY PARTY

Taylor was born in the pre-Civil War South in 1857 Little Rock, Arkansas to a mother who was free and a father who was enslaved eight years before, as one writer put it “slavery kinda sorta ended.” He had eleven siblings.

The short story of his childhood is this. His mother was forced to leave Arkansas in 1859 in compliance with the state’s Free Negro Expulsion Act, signed into law Feb. 12, 1859. She fled with very young Taylor to Alton, Illinois, a major center of the Underground Railroad.

Tragically, a few years later (1861 or ‘62) his mother died of TB. The story goes that he “fended for himself living in boxes” until he ends up in La Crosse, Wisconsin area where he lived from 1865-1891. From 1867, he

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elections to win, constituencies to please. They can talk to anyone they please, and are free to follow paths they deem right, even if hugely unpopular.

It is now several years since Richard Branson and Peter Gabriel came to me with their idea for The Elders. Since then I have watched the concept grow, gain structure and strength, and become a real, viable, and pragmatic initiative.

I believe that, with their experience and their energies, and their profound commitment to building a better world, The Elders can become a fiercely independent and robust force for good, tackling complex and intractable issues, especially those that are not popular.

However, I know that this group will not become arbitrary and arrogant, and that it will seek advice from expert organisations and work cooperatively with them. What’s more, they will not take the easy, short term route, but support long-term, sustainable approaches that address the root causes of the problems they tackle.

They are I know, committed to working with local and indigenous knowledge; to listening and bringing together antagonists and protagonists; to working with anyone who is motivated to resolve a problem. They can help foster and introduce innovative ideas and little known solutions to connect those who have real practical needs with those who have something to give.

Through their friends in business, they can mobilise up-to-date technology, and raise not only awareness of forgotten issues, but also help locate the resources to address them.

But whatever techniques they use, I believe that in the end it is kindness and generous accommodation that are the catalysts for real change. I know these esteemed friends of mine are capable of doing all these things.

And I expect that, if my friend the Archbishop has anything to do with it, they will insist on assuming the essential interdependence of all human-kind. We call this the spirit of Ubuntu – that profound African sense that we are human only through the humanity of other human beings.

I am confident that the Elders can become a real role model – leading, guiding and supporting all sorts of initiatives, both their own and those of many others.

The Elders can speak freely and boldly, working both publicly and behind the scenes on whatever actions need to be taken.

They will reach out to those who most need their help. It is those who have the least and who therefore suffer the most. It is those who are rarely heard. This group of Elders can represent them and make sure they are not ignored.

I am also certain that that they will support courage where there is fear, foster agreement where there is conflict and inspire hope where there is despair.

This initiative cannot have come at a more appropriate time. It brings together an extraordinary collection of people, with the skills and resources to undertake what we know is an enormous task.

I am proud to be here at this launch of what is known as The Global Elders. As I have said before, I am trying to take my retirement seriously, and I will unfortunately not be able to participate in the really exciting part of their work, analysing problems, seeking solutions, searching out partners.

But I wish them well, and hope they succeed in bringing light to some of the darkness that afflicts our world, and new energy to areas where others have become weary because of the endless conflict.

I thank you. -- Nelson Mandela, 2007 July 18



Carter addressing the crowd during an Elders event in Oxford, 2014. Photo: Richard Lewis

“We represent the principles that do not change, like peace and freedom and justice. The Elders, individually and collectively, go where we please, meet with whom we choose, and say what we believe.” said Jimmy Carter.

The stated mission of The Elders is: “We will use our experience and influence to work for peace, justice, human rights and a sustainable planet. We will engage with global leaders and civil society through private diplomacy and public advocacy, to address existential threats, promote global solutions, and encourage ethical leadership that supports the dignity of all human beings.”

“As former leaders, we know the challenges of decision-making in an unpredictable world. But we also understand the transformative power of empathetic leadership. In our own careers we have brought peace to intractable conflicts, broken decades-old political norms, led social change, pioneered new thinking on sustainable development, promoted women’s leadership, and helped broker historic international agreements.

“As Elders, we seek to catalyse moral leadership, foster agreement and inspire hope. We champion courageous, compassionate decision-making, and call out those in power who break their promises. We stand together with those fighting for a sustainable future rooted in inclusivity, equality and justice. We do this by using our individual reputations and collective experience to impress upon world leaders the importance of ethical decision-making.

“We work with civil society to challenge impunity and injustice, and provide a platform for those who are unheard in the corridors of power. We convene diverse voices to find solutions to our shared problems. Only by working together can the world overcome the shared challenges we all face.

Our four strategic goals link our vision and mission to the programme outcomes we pursue, guiding our approach to them all.

1. We seek urgent action on existential threats.
2. We promote solutions to global challenges.
3. We encourage ethical leadership and inclusive government.
4. We support the dignity and rights of all human beings.

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We work through private diplomacy, public advocacy and partnerships.

Private diplomacy. Personal contact and relationships at the highest level are critical drivers of change, so we will continue to prioritise Elders meeting world leaders. Through private dialogue with decision-makers, Elders can have sensitive discussions, help broker solutions, and stimulate negotiations. Elders are well placed to use their collective experience and influence to help resolve tensions. Elders can also offer leaders private advice based on their own experience and independent view of the world.

Public advocacy. Our public advocacy focuses on influencing world leaders and policy-makers through communications and engagement. We engage with mainstream, specialist and social media to amplify unheard voices and solutions, and inspire ethical decision-making. Our public narrative balances an emphasis on existential threats with the spirit of hope at the heart of Mandela’s mandate to The Elders. We target decision-makers and influential audiences in all regions of the world.

Partnerships We work in partnership with civil society organisations, think tanks, academics, international organisations, media and other stakeholders to inform our strategy and activities; extend our influence, reach and visibility with decision-makers; and amplify the influence of other organisations that share some of our objectives. We plan to deepen our partnerships, including by working more closely with selected partners, and developing more partnerships with Global South organisations.

The Elders’ values The Elders are guided by Nelson Mandela’s legacy. Our values include:

- Independence: the Elders try to reflect the interests of the world as a whole. We aim to rise above the parochial concerns of nation, race and creed.
- Integrity: the Elders speak and act with honesty, guided by the consistent application of moral principles in all we do, and free from all influence and personal interests.
- Interdependence: the Elders share a profound sense that we are human only through the humanity of others. This common humanity transcends our differences.
- Long-term view: the Elders do not take the easy, short-term route, but support long-term, sustainable approaches addressing the root causes of the problems we tackle.
- Evidence-based: the Elders base our judgments on what science and other research tell us about the world and how it is changing, working collaboratively with experts.
- Boldness: the Elders take risks, speak truth to power and act with confidence and courage in promoting solutions to complex and intractable global challenges.
- Respect: the Elders recognise that all human beings are born free and equal in dignity and rights, and treat everyone we meet with the respect that requires.
- Humility: the Elders do not pretend to have all the answers. We listen to young and old, believing that people are never too young to lead, and never too old to learn.
- Hope: the Elders remain optimistic about humanity’s prospects. We believe that, with co-operation between the world’s peoples, our best future is still ahead of us.

Sunday, 30 May, 2010, The Elders reunited with their founder Nelson Mandela. They gathered in Johannesburg, South Africa, to meet with Mandela, discuss their shared challenges, and talk to representatives from civil society and South African youth. On the occasion Desmond Tutu said, “It gives us such a strong sense of purpose and determination to sit with dear Madiba who brought us all together. We take his moral courage and his vision as our guide, to do what we can to address major causes of human suffering around the world.”

Mandela died a few years later at the age of 95 years 2013 December 5. Jimmy Carter stepped down from his role on the front line with The Elders, becoming an Elders Emeritus, 2016 May 25. From 2007 to 2016 he participated in many Elders trips to promote peace and good governance, especially in the Middle East. This is in remembrance of our distinguished elder statesman, President Jimmy Carter.

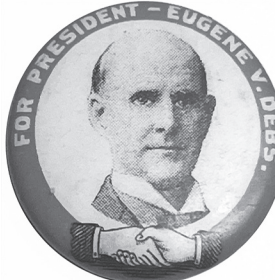
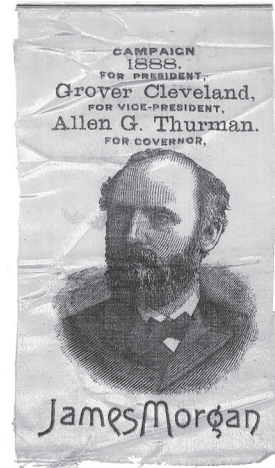


Jimmy Carter stands with Desmond Tutu & Nelson Mandela during The Elders' bi-annual board meeting 2010.

TREASURES on the WEB

By Paul Bengston

In the last month we have witnessed 2 major newsworthy political events. The 1st was the death of former President Jimmy Carter. With flags at half-staff and him lying in state, President Carter was honored and laid to rest at the age of 100. Rest in peace Jimmy. The 2nd was the peaceful transfer of power from one president and political party to another. I watched in awe of how this transpires. It is these events along with campaigns and elections that we collectors preserve the mementos from. We preserve these items for future generations to learn from along with our own enjoyment. I am so very thankful that I had parents who made their children watch these events as they happened. Each night we watched the news as a family and then discussed the events at dinner. I know the history of my times because I witnessed them happen. We are now onto the next administration of which there are sure to be many newsworthy events. The great American experiment continues.

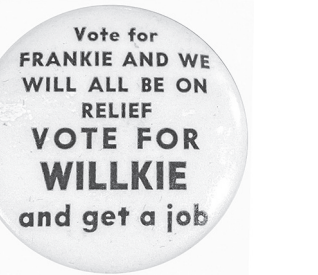
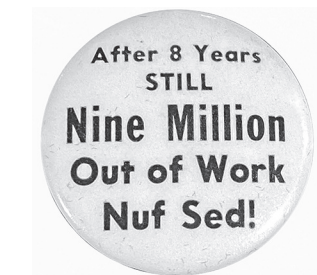
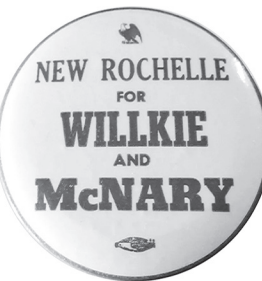
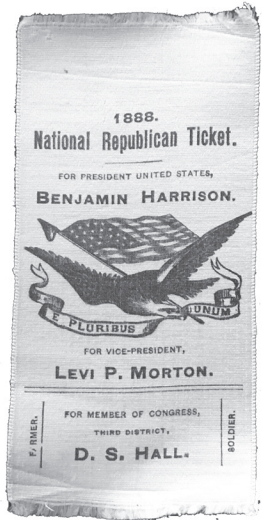


this ticket, but this is the only large version known. It sold for \$1,879.

Still mounted on a wood frame, this 13" x 21" "Vote Socialist Norman Thomas for President" poster sold as a But It Now for \$999. This will look terrific once restored and framed.

I've always liked this bronze-colored FDR license plate attachment. With "Roosevelt Motor Club" and "Victory 1932", it was put out by the Democratic National Campaign Committee. It sold for \$159.

There are many versions of these 3 1/2" location specific Willkie McNary pins. The New Rochelle version just sold for \$289.



There were 3 very unusual anti FDR pro Willkie items offered by the same seller. Each is 1 1/4" in size and each has rather unusual slogans I had not seen before. These sold for between \$110 and \$150. Great items for the Willkie specialist.



From his 1936 campaign for Senator, this large 29 1/2" x 45" Henry Cabot Lodge poster was a great pickup for any MA collector. It sold for \$181.

This framed and matted Thurmond Wright jugate brochure sold for \$67. A neat way to display a brochure.

Staff items always do well as seen in the \$247 final price on this 2" "Citizens for Eisenhower Official Staff" pin.

One of the best-looking Adlai jugates is the 3 1/2" size clover design. The pin is down in price with several being offered in the last couple years. This was a \$250 pin in the 70's. It now sells for \$135. This is a Minnesota made pin, and I have not found one in the wild for twenty years.

This very rare 4" "Vote Straight Democratic General Election 1956 Stevenson and Kefauver" sold for \$449.

The classic young photo JFK 1958 senate "Youth for Kennedy" sold for \$466. A must have for any Kennedy frame.

A group of Kennedy items was offered in an online auction. In the group was this "John F. Kennedy Democratic Club 15th District CAPTAIN Democracy in Action" window pinback. The group sold for \$1600 with this pin being the main attraction. I am not sure when it was made.

We lost Jimmy Carter. His was the 1st campaign I ever worked on. From his 1st campaign in 1962 for State Senate, this palm card sold for \$400.

This Humphrey poster from the 1968 Democratic National Convention was made to appeal to young black voters. Martin Luther King urged black youth to replace "Burn Baby Burn" with "Learn Baby Learn" (as seen on this poster). It sold for a Buy It Now of \$150.

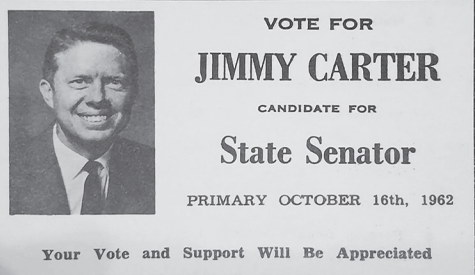
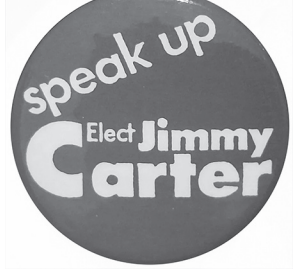
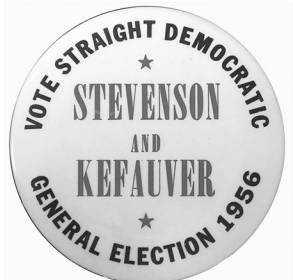
This 2" "Speak Up Elect Jimmy Carter" sold for \$201. Some say this is from 1970, some say 76. Do you know? Let me know.

Last up is a 1978 "Vote Wallace U.S. Senate" pin. The campaign never launched, and these are quite scarce as seen in the \$130 price.

Join us on the Facebook group Treasures on the Web for more detailed comments on these and many other items sold on the web.



Best & happy hunting,
Paul Bengston APIC #3514



CPIC REMEMBERS PRESIDENT & MRS. CARTER



By Roger Van Sickle, President
Carter Political Items Collectors (CPIC)

The passing of President Jimmy Carter on December 29, 2024, has left many memories of the Carter Political Items Collectors.

In 1984, the CPIC Chapter was formed with the help of A. Neil LeDock, President at that time, with 25 members using the guidelines of the APIC. Annual dues were \$5.00 with periodic newsletters, showing now highly collectible buttons. I became the 2nd President and Bob Linzey, Vice President. We had approximately 35 members attending and set up on Main Street, Tables of Carter Memorabilia. Bob Linzey had the Carters come to downtown Plains to observe the memorabilia on display. At first, the President thought we were a fan club. We explained we were preserving history of both President and Mrs. Carter's legacy. Later on they both became interested in stories of the collections and buttons.

Bob Linzey became the 3rd President of the Chapter and we had an Annual Dinner with the Carters attending. We had approximately 100 attending our dinners. Bob got many speakers for our dinner, such as former staff members Jody Powell (Carter's White House Press Secretary), Andrew Young (former Mayor of Atlanta) and similar people. In 1977, President Carter appointed Young to serve as the United States Ambassador to the United Nations. Young was the first African American to hold the position. And it was the almost 93 year old Reverend Andrew Young who delivered the homily at the recent National Cathedral funeral service for President Carter.

Mitch Kuhn was our 4th President and helped with the encouragement of turning the Depot in Plains, Georgia, into a Museum with memorabilia showing the History of the Carters growing up in Plains through to the Presidency. Mitch was very instrumental in making Chapter Buttons and Convention Buttons throughout the years like the one shown here..

I became President again and we always planned our CPIC Convention on the 4th weekend in September along side the Annual Peanut Festival.

I remember one year Shirley and I were invited to a BBQ at President Carter's sister-in-law's home outside of Plains and the Carters came and asked us to sit with them at the picnic table. He asked many questions about the Chapter and said he enjoyed our Newsletter. One question to me was, "What



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- Married - three sons - Baptist
- Former Deputy District Governor Lions



are you looking for in your collection?". My reply was "Pre-Presidential items." Almost 2 years later, I was downtown Plains when I heard someone call my name. It was President Carter on his bicycle. He asked me what time dinner was and mentioned he found a box of palm cards from his State Senate Campaign in Georgia (pictured here). At the dinner, he passed out a card to everyone at the dinner. For every person that received a card - it was a prize! In 2023 one of those same cards was up for auction in Anderson Auctions list, and two different auctions, bringing a bid over \$700.00. In this month's "Treasures On the Web" column, one of these palm cards sold for \$400.

Many CPIC members wanted an autograph. Both President and Mrs. Carter had a book signing at the Plains Peanut Festival where members were able to get their books signed.

On Sunday, President Carter taught Sunday School. CPIC members were welcome to attend. After church both President and Mrs. Carter would pose for pictures. As I mentioned, both President Carter and Rosalynn enjoyed our dinner and speakers. They always donated personal items for our Auction with 50% of the proceeds to the CPIC Chapter and 50% to their Maranatha Church. The winners of the items would get a signed card that the Carters had personally owned the item.

The last dinner with the Carters was in 2019. It was held at the Plains Community Center with 135 present in Plains. One time I asked President Cartr who was his favorite President. He replied it was President Harry Truman (HST). So I contacted Clifton Truman Daniel, the oldest grandson of HST. He agreed to be our guest presenter at the 2019 Convention and spoke on a comparison of his grandfather and President Carter. As an actor Clifton portrays his grandfather in a one-man play titled "Give 'em Hell, Harry!" Below is a photo of him in that role holding the famous *Chicago Tribune* headline, "Dewey Defeats Truman." He's the author of "Growing Up With My Grandfather: Memories of Harry S. Truman" and "Dear Harry, Love Bess: Bess Truman's Letters to Harry Truman, 1919-1943." Mr. Daniel agreed to sign books following his presentation.

I got a note from Rosalynn saying they both enjoyed the Dinner and Speaker. She added, "Best Ever."

Throughout the years, we as a Chapter, have enjoyed being with the Carters and wanted them to know they are our friends and that we honored their legacy. Especially what they have done after the Presidency, such as the work of The Carter Center and for Habitat for Humanity.

They will both be missed - Their memory lives on.

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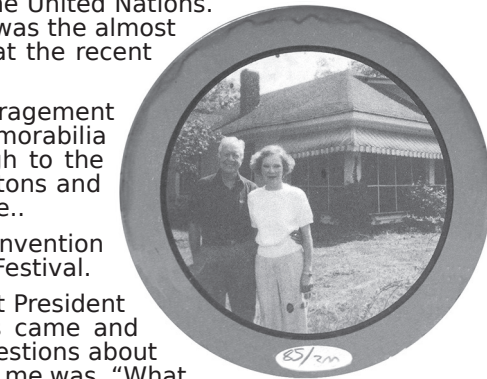
The Carter Political Items Collectors organization was founded for the purpose of bringing together collectors who share a common interest.

We are dedicated to the collecting, preserving and displaying of memorabilia, archival and graphic items that relate to the life of and political career of James Earl Carter, the 39th president of the United States, as well as that of his family.

We feel that we are not the owners of this material, rather, that we are only the temporary custodians of a portion of history.

W pledge to assist historical and educational organizations in their endeavors to promulgate the historical facts surrounding his legacy and rightful place of honor in American history.

[This is the only APIC chapter that had a former president and first lady attending their events. "The Jimmy Carter Collector" newsletter is published twice each year by Michael Brooks, CPIC Vice President/Newsletter Eeditor.]



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and by blacks, the National Negro Liberty Party (NNLP). At its national convention in St. Louis, Missouri in 1904 NNL had delegates from thirty-six of the then 45 states. Taylor was nominated to be the party's candidate for the presidency.

While Taylor's campaign attracted little attention, the Party's platform had a national agenda: universal suffrage regardless of race; Federal protection of the rights of all citizens; Federal anti-lynching laws; additional black regiments in the U.S. Army; Federal pensions for all former slaves; government ownership and control of all public carriers to ensure equal accommodations for all citizens; and home rule for the District of Columbia.

Although he clearly knew his 1904 presidential campaign faced nearly impossible odds, he told a reporter from the *New York Sun*, in an interview published Nov. 20, 1904, that he believed that an independent pro-Black political party that could mobilize the Black vote was the only practical way that Blacks could flex their political muscle.

Unfortunately, in that election he received less than 2,000 votes, as noted by Trinity Christian College history professor David Broadnax. But that was no big surprise considering several factors, not the least of which is that he received no newspaper endorsement and had to contend with unfair ballot obstacles in many states. In fact, William Scott, the NNL's initial choice to run for president, contended that Taylor actually received about 65,000 votes that, due to those obstacles, were not recorded.

Assuming, for the sake of argument, that Taylor received less than 2,000 votes, Broadnax explains it was because more popular Blacks, such as Frederick Douglass, Blanche Bruce, T. Thomas Fortune and others, strategically concluded that no one — Black, white or otherwise — could ever win the presidency as a third-party candidate. Accordingly, those bigger names aligned themselves with the "lesser of the evils" between the two major parties, one of which always won. As Broadnax noted, Taylor was the first Black person "to run for president because he was the first Black politician who no longer cared about what either major party thought of him and [because he] was able to find allies among progressive whites who took the incredibly bold step of nominating him." (Michael Coard, *Pennsylvania Capitol-Star*, 8/4/2021)

The 1904 campaign was Taylor's last foray into politics. He remained in Iowa until 1910 when he moved to Jacksonville, Florida. There he edited a succession of newspapers and was director of the African American branch of the local YMCA. He was married three times but had no children. George Edwin Taylor died in Jacksonville on Dec 23, 1925 at the age of 68.

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"There is a significant moral difference between a person who commits a violent crime and a person who tries to cross a border illegally in order to put food on the family table. Such migrants may violate our laws against illicit entry, but if that's all they do they are trespassers, not criminals. They deserve to have their dignity respected."

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He served only one term and was unpopular when he left office, but many consider Jimmy Carter to be the nation's greatest former president.

He recently wrote, *"My name is Jimmy Carter. In my lifetime, I have been a farmer, a naval officer, a Sunday school teacher, and outdoorsman, a democracy activist, a builder, governor of Georgia, and recipient of the Nobel Peace Prize. And from 1977 to 1981 I had the privilege of serving as the 39th President of the United States."*

It is his work on behalf of human rights, democracy, and the environment that resonates forty years after he left office. Carter will "go down (in history) as one of the greatest conservation presidents or environmental presidents of all time" said Douglas Brinkley, a presidential historian at Rice University.

Carter overturned our politics with a successful grassroots campaign for President. He ran as an outsider, promising to restore integrity to the presidency and trust in the federal government. .

With many crises during his term in the Oval Office, Carter was defeated for re-election by Ronald Reagan in a 1980 landslide loss.

But after he left office, he gained admiration for his charity work with Habitat for Humanity. The photo above (AP 1984) shows the former President working as a contractor during renovation of a tenement building in New York's Lower East Side neighborhood..

He was awarded the Nobel Peace Prize in 2002. Then a Georgia State Senator (Left), Carter hugs his wife Rosalynn. They went on their first date in 1948.

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Tables: \$50 each **Parking:** Free **Admission:** \$3.00

Free appraisals—Auction your items:
with a 10% commission.

We're back at our old location while the firehouse is being renovated. If you want dealer tables, reserve NOW because they sell out every year!

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NATION'S CAPITAL CHAPTER

We have the reservation in place for the 2025 National Capital Chapter political memorabilia show and sale, scheduled for Saturday, March 22, at the Rockville Hilton, 1750 Rockville Pike, Rockville, Md. 20852. At the Twinbrook stop on the Metro Red Line. 866-994-9656.

Same time as always, 10 am-4 pm. Tables once again are \$65 for wall and \$60 for interior. There will be free parking for dealers and discount hotel rooms for Friday and Saturday night.

Please make checks payable to the APIC National Capital Chapter and mail to Jonathan D. Salant, 11609 Hitching Post La., Rockville, Md. 20852. Or you can pay me at the show.

Reservation Link: <https://www.hilton.com/en/attend-my-event/iadmrhf-927-49d0fb71-dd9e-460b-afa6-123820f31867/>

Vernon Houston (Dixie) Chapter

The Vernon Houston (Dixie) Chapter will hold its 2024 annual show Friday/Saturday, April 4-5, 2024 at the Wyndham Garden Greensboro, 415 S. Swing Road, Greensboro, NC 27409.

Room Hopping/Hospitality on Friday night with a full day of bourse 9am-3pm Saturday. Tables are \$60.00 for wall, \$50.00 interior. Make checks payable to WINSTON BLAIR. (PO Box 1455, Clemmons, NC 27012)

Rooms are \$109/night (plus tax). Call the hotel at 336-399-7650 and select "Sales" from the menu and mention the "APIC Show".

MORE ON THE 2026 NATIONAL

The National will be held at the DoubleTree Boston North Shore in Danvers MA running from Monday July 27, 2026 through Saturday August 1, 2026. Guest room rates are \$149 + tax per night and that rate will be honored 3 days prior to event and 3 days following.

The bourse will run Thurs-Sat. Hal Ottaway and Wes Berger have agreed to steer the Auction Committee with the event planned for Thursday of the show week. We are hoping to have a wonderful private collection to offer at auction as well.

We're planning on all the usual activities including room hopping, exhibits, chapter meetings and seminars, along with some side trips into Boston and Salem MA. The New England Chapter is working on organizing special events during the week.

LOOKING AHEAD...

THE BANDWAGON EXTRAVAGANZA

JUNE 2025

GRANTVILLE, PA

FROM THE PRESIDENT

I'm excited to announce the test of another significant upgrade to the APIC.us website: the ability for members to be able to read the monthly Political Bandwagon newspaper electronically online.

The concept behind our test is that early each month, each issue will be posted on our website under the tab My APIC. You can simply roll your mouse over that tab and you'll see The Political Bandwagon as the second option. Click on that link to read the entire newspaper before it arrives in your mailbox. The print issue would continue but would be supplemented with an electronic version.

We're testing this new feature for two primary reasons:

Our recent surveys found that some members, especially those under age 30, would prefer to read the Bandwagon online rather than in print. They say they'd rather not waste paper and postage on a newspaper they'll recycle as soon as they've read it, and that with an electronic edition that is archived for a period on the website, they can easily refer back to past issues whenever they like rather than find a place to store old issues at home.

Our surveys also found that some members often order items from ads in the Bandwagon, but that by the time they receive the paper in the mail and respond, the items they want may already be sold. With the electronic edition, they can order items as soon as the issue is posted online.

Members currently can make the choice to receive the Bandwagon by standard bulk mail, or more quickly by first class mail for a small fee. This new method gives all members a third choice to access the Bandwagon: electronically on our website in the members-only section at no additional fee.

If you like the new third option, you can now opt not to receive the print edition any longer, which would help lower APIC's costs. For every member who replaces the print version with the new electronic edition, the APIC will save an expense that will also help keep membership dues at their current rate.

Whether you prefer to receive the Bandwagon in print, electronically or both, we want to hear from you. If you like this idea of making the Bandwagon available electronically, please send an email to me at tonylee08560@gmail.com and to Jeannine Coup at polbandwgn@aol.com and let us know. If the feedback is positive and some of you opt to stop receiving the print edition, we'll make this new member benefit a permanent fixture.

As long as I'm sharing info about the My APIC tab on the website, I'd encourage you to check out the other resources available there. Those include the member directory, the APIC Bylaws, a list of our Hall of Fame members, guidance on preserving and repairing items in your collection and more.

This section is available only to members who log in to access it, so I hope you'll take advantage of this membership benefit. And if there are other resources you'd like to see added to this section, please let me know. Your feedback and suggestions are always welcome.

Thanks,
Tony

HAPPY VALENINE'S DAY (FEBRUARY14)
HAPPY PRESIDENT'S DAY! (FEBRUARY 17)

PRESIDENTIAL HISTORY—FEBRUARY

Feb. 1: 1968— Richard M. Nixon announces his candidacy for president.

Feb. 2: 1870— The 15th Amendment to the Constitution was ratified, guaranteeing the right to vote regardless of race.

Feb. 3: 1924- Woodrow Wilson died at the age of 67.

Feb. 4: 1789- George Washington was unanimously elected the first President of the United States.

Feb. 5: Congress passed the Immigration Act of 1917 over President Wilson's veto.

Feb. 6: Ronald Reagan (40th President) was born in 1911.

Feb. 7: 1961 - The U.S. bans all Cuban imports and exports.

Feb. 8: President Warren G. Harding installed the first radio in the White House.

Feb.9: 1825 - No presidential candidate received enough votes to win the election so the U.S. House of Representatives voted to elect John Quincy Adams the 6th President of the U.S.

Feb.10: 1967- The 25th Amendment to the Constitution was ratified, clarifying the procedures of Presidential Succession if the President was disabled.

Feb.11: 1943- Lt. General Dwight D Eisenhower was promoted to the rank of Four-Star General - only the 2nd time that rank was used. (U.S. Grant in 1862)

Feb.12: Abraham Lincoln was born in 1809 in Kentucky.

Feb.13: At 5:00 in the evening, Abraham Lincoln received notice that the Electoral Votes had been counted and he was officially elected President. (1861).

Feb.14: Theodore Roosevelt's wife and his mother died on this day , just hours apart. The tragedy devastated TR greatly and he took a hiatus from politics, returning and becoming President when Wm. McKinley died in office.

4-STAR GENERAL IKE TR IN MOURNING FIRST W.H. RADIO BORN IN 1809

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1st TEDDY BEAR

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Feb.15: 1903 - The first Teddy Bear went on sale from a toy maker named Morris Michtom who had asked TR's permission to use his name.

Feb.16: 1862 - The Union won the battle of Fort Donelson in Tennessee, earning U.S. Grant the nickname of "Unconditional Surrender Grant".

Feb.17: 1801-Thomas Jefferson was elected the 3rd U.S. President

Feb.18: 1861 - Jefferson Davis was inaugurated as the provisional president of the Confederate States of America.

Feb.19: 1942 - President FDR signed Executive Order 9066, allowing for relocation and internment of Japanese Americans, including U.S. Citizens.

Feb.20: 1962 - John Glenn became the first American to orbit the Earth, circling our planet three times in 4 hours and 55 minutes.

Feb.21: The Washington Monument was dedicated in 1855. It had first been proposed in 1783 when he was still alive.

Feb.22: George Washington was born in 1732 in Westmorland County, VA, now celebrated the 3rd Monday of February as 'President's Day'

Feb.23: 1861 - President Lincoln avoids an assassination attempt by cancelling a stop in Baltimore Maryland on his trip to Washington, D.C.

Feb.24: 1868 - President Andrew Johnson became the first President to be impeached (for violation of the Tenure of Office Act). He was not guilty by one vote.

Feb.25: 1870 - Hiram Rhoades Revels was sworn in as the first African American Congressman. The Mississippi Republican helped form African American regiments during the Civil War.

Feb.26: President Woodrow Wilson signed the act of Congress establishing the Grand Canyon National Park.

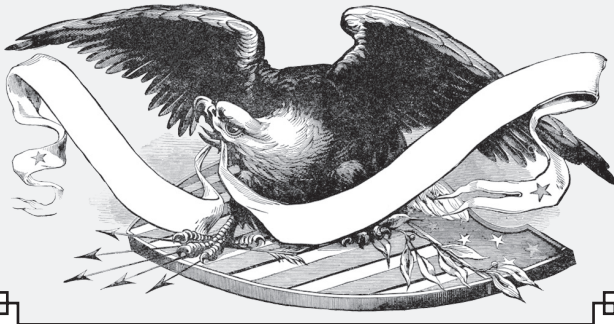
Feb.27: 1922 - The 19th Amendment to the Constitution, which provides women's voting rights, was unanimously declared constitutional by the U.S. Supreme Court.

Feb.28: In 1949, the California Gold Rush began in earnest as regular steamship service started bringing gold-seekers to San Francisco.

Feb.29: (Leap Years Only) In 1796, the John Jay Treaty between the U.S. and Great Britain went into effect, facilitating ten years of peaceful trade between the

CALENDAR OF EVENTS


Shows & events of interest to political items collectors.
It is recommended you confirm dates & times of each event before traveling.



FEB 8, 2025 - SUPER BOWL WEEKEND SHOW
Sat from 9am - 3:00pm, at Titusville United Methodist Church, 7 Church Rd., Titusville, NJ 08560 (our old location) Cost of Tables: \$50 each. Parking: Free. Admission: \$3.00. Free appraisals. Auction your items with a 10% commission. We're back at our old location while the firehouse is being renovated. If you want dealer tables, reserve them NOW because they sell out every year! Questions? More information? Contact Tony Lee at 609-310-0817, tonylee08560@gmail.com

FEB 22, 2025 SOUTH FLORIDA POLITICAL & HISTORICAL COLLECTIBLES SHOW Sat., Feb 22 at NEW LOCATION: Palm Beach Gardens Moose Lodge, 3600 RCA Blvd., Palm Beach Gardens, FL 33410. Show hours: 9 a.m.-3 p.m. Dealer 6' tables \$60/ea. Room hopping: Thurs. & Fri. at Best Western Palm Beach Lakes, 1800 Palm Beach Lakes Blvd., West Palm Beach, Fla. 33401. Call 561-683-8810, ask for Astrid in Sales for show room rate of \$125. All rooms 1st floor poolside. Joins us for APIC Spring Break in S. Florida! Home of APIC Synchronized Swim Team. Contact person: Tom Peeling 561-707-3090 trbuttons@aol.com **(See our ad on pg 7)**

MAR 22, 2025 NATIONAL CAPITAL CHAPTER 25TH ANNUAL POLITICAL MEMORABILIA SHOW & SALE from 10am - 4pm at Hilton Washington DC/ Rockville, 1750 Rockville Pike, Rockville, MD 20852. Across the street from Twinbrook station on the Washington Metro's Red line. There is on-street & on-site parking. Hotel phone: 301-468-1100. Room Rate: \$139 per night. Reserve rooms here: <https://www.hilton.com/en/attend-my-event/iadmrhf-927-49d0fb71-dd9e-460b-afa6-123820f31867/>. Show admission: \$5; \$1 off with congressional ID; Students Free. Dealer Tables: Interior Tables \$60 each; Wall Tables \$65 each. Free parking for dealers. Make checks payable to APIC National Capital Chapter and mail c/o Jonathan D. Salant, 11609 Hitching Post La.,



READ MY PINS

The Madeleine Albright Collection
The National Museum of American Diplomacy
Secretary Albright's *Serpent* pin above is done in 18KT yellow gold with a diamond, 2.4" x 1.1", circa 1860. Here is the story behind her famous dipolomatic signature and the "Read My Pins" collection.

Meeting with Iraqi Officials, 1997
When U.S. Ambassador to the United Nations Madeleine Albright criticized Saddam Hussein, his poet-in-residence responded by calling her "an unparalleled serpent." Shortly thereafter, when preparing to meet with Iraqi officials, Albright decided to make a diplomatic statement by wearing a snake pin (even though she did not like snakes). Although her method of communication was new, her message was as old as the American Revolution - **Don't Tread on Me!** From that day on, pins became part of her diplomatic signature.

In the Madam Secretary's own words, she recounts: "There was a poem in the papers in Baghdad comparing me to many things but among them an unparalleled serpent. So I had a snake pin. I wore it anytime we talked about Iraq. The press kind of picked it up. I thought this was fun so I went out and got a lot of costume jewelry to depict whatever we were going to do on any given day. On good days I wore flowers and butterflies and balloons and on bad days I wore carnivores, animals, spiders, and things. The other ambassadors wanted to know

FEBRUARY 2025 - HAPPY VALENTINE'S DAY!

Rockville, Md. 20852. For more information contact Jonathan Salant by email: jds15@aol.com **(See our ad on pg 9)**

APR 4-5, 2025 - VERNON HOUSTON CHAPTER SHOW (formerly the Dixie Chapter) annual show at the Wyndham Garden, Greensboro, 415 S. Swing Road, Greensboro, NC 27409. Fri eve 4/4: Room Hopping/Hospitality. Sat 4/5: full day of bourse 9am-3pm. Tables: wall tables \$60 each, interior tables \$50 each. Room reservations: contact the hotel directly at 336-299-7650 and select "Sales" from the menu. Mention the APIC for the \$109.00 +tax per night room rate. Questions? Contact Winston Blair, 336-830-2727 or email wblair1987@gmail.com **(See our ad on pg 3)**

APR 12, 2025 - PACK IS BACK, POLITICAL AMERICANA COLLECTORS OF KENTUCKY with a Dixie Doubleheader with Greensboro & Louisville on back-to-back weekends. Lots of fun, early KY Derby activities, bourbon trail, & much more. Zachary Taylor American Legion, Post #180, 4610 Shelbyville Rd., Louisville, KY 40207. Sat, Apr 12, 9am-3pm. 8ft tables: \$35 or 3 for \$100. Contact: Gene Heid, (502) 499-1543, or email g.heid@twc.com. **(See our ad on pg 3)**

APR 26, 2025 - NEW ENGLAND APIC SPRING SHOW Join the New England Chapter for their Spring show at Northern Essex Community College, Hartleb Technology Center, Haverhill, MA on Sat, Apr 26, 2025. (Exit 111, off I-495). DEALERS ONLY FROM 8am-9am. NO EARLY BIRDS! Public show runs from 9am-1pm. Admission: adults \$3.00, 12 & under FREE, students FREE with ID. To assist potential sellers and new collectors, free on-site appraisals will be offered, as well as the opportunity to auction items (with a reserve) at the show. Rental fees: first table \$30; each additional table \$25. Free table for first time dealers. For table reservations contact Susan Roman and send table rental checks (payable to NE Chapter APIC) to: Mike Dunham, 440 Central Street, Holliston, MA 01746. Any questions? Email Susan Roman (reganroman@comcast.net), Mike Dunham (burdun@comcast.net) or Tom McGrail (tmcgrail2@verizon.net); or call Susan Roman at 603-868-2293.

APR 27, 2025 - CHICAGO APIC SPRING SHOW will host their spring show on Sun. April 27th, at the Orland Park Civic Center 14750 S. Ravinia Ave Orland Park, IL. from 10-2pm. Contact Barb Zaczek for table reservations and further details. barbaraczek@yahoo.com or 720-545-8484 text/cell.

MAY 2025 - MICHIGAN SHOW

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JUNE (date TBD) 2025 BANDWAGON EXTRAVAGANZA, GRANTVILLE, PA Watch the Bandwagon for updates. Contact person: Jeannine Coup, polbandwgn@aol.com.

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APIC IN THE NEWS: STARGAZING IN WASHINGTON

By E.K. Murphy, APIC#17979

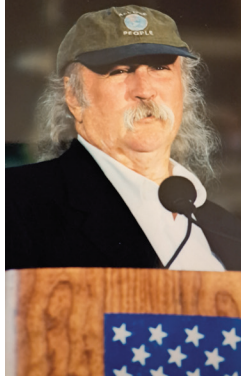
Many celebrities come to Capitol Hill for lots of reasons. Some I've met, some I've just encountered. If we speak, it's a meeting no matter how short the conversation. It's an encounter if I'm just in the room no matter how close the proximity.

Some politicians are famous for their speaking style, their story, or their telegenics.

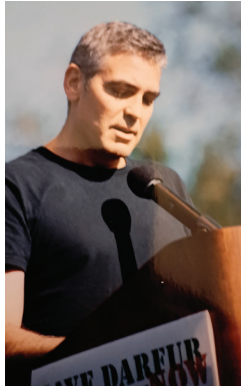
People flock to Elizabeth Warren and did to John McCain. They aren't known for singing talent or comedic timing like AL Franken. They just have charisma that resonates.

I'm focusing here on Entertainers who are also activists.

Jesse Ventura is concerned about money in campaigns. He spoke in September, 2009 on West steps of the Capitol. He was joined by Graham Nash, David Crosby, Paula POUNDSTONE, along with senate and house members.



Jesse Ventura, former wrestler and Minnesota governor came to speak on Campaign Finance Reform. Sept. 2000



George Clooney on a Rally for Sudan on the National Mall in Washington, DC.



Singer and activist Melissa Etheridge performed and spoke at the National Mall for a gay rights rally in 1998

Dr. Albright was a Professor in the Practice of Diplomacy at the Georgetown University School of Foreign Service. Dr. Albright was Chair of Albright Stonebridge Group, Part of Dentons Global Advisors, and Albright Capital Management LLC, an investment advisory firm focused on emerging markets. She also chaired the National Democratic Institute, served as the president of the Truman Scholarship Foundation, and was Honorary Co-Chair of the World Refugee Council. In 2021 she was appointed Chair of the Defense Policy Board, a group tasked with providing the Secretary of Defense with independent, informed advice and opinion concerning matters of defense policy.

Dr. Albright was a seven-time New York Times bestselling author. Her most recent book, *Hell and Other Destinations*, was published in April 2020. Her other books include her autobiography, *Madam Secretary: A Memoir* (2003); *The Mighty and the Almighty: Reflections on America, God, and World Affairs*



Jesse Ventura, former wrestler and Minnesota governor came to speak on Campaign Finance Reform. Sept. 2000

"We really don't want the elections to be for sale, Crosby said. "...When they wrote the constitution, mass media was movable type. They didn't envision a world in which television could give the keys to the kingdom to whoever had the most money for the cleverest ads."

The actors from The West Wing came in support of The "Employee Free Choice Act." It would give employees the right to unionize and improve working conditions. Richard Schiff, Martin Sheen and Bradley Whitford gathered in The ornate Senate Room, and then held a discussion in the conference room of then ailing Senator Ted Kennedy, who was not in attendance.

"It's a human rights issue," Sheen said.

"It's just bottom line that workers should be paid for their labor fairly."

Actor George Clooney, at the Rally for Sudan, brought attention to genocide in Sudan. He said that without action, a whole generation of people could simply disappear.

"...and we will only have history left to judge us. This is in fact, the first genocide of the 21st century."

Music comes to The Hill a lot.

The Indigo Girls were here to stop a bill giving more power to large broadcast companies at the expense of low power stations. They performed bluegrass in the Senate Dirksen Building in October 2000.

In attendance were senators Paul Wellstone, Bob Kerrey, Dick Durbin.

The picture of Wellstone in the October issue was from that day.

Melissa Etheridge came to a large gay rights rally on the National Mall. Dennis and Judy Sheppard, whose son Matthew was murdered in Laramie, Wyoming spoke of Matthew and against bullying in general.

Phil Donahue, who recently passed, came to campaign for Ralph Nader in the 2000 Presidential race. I wonder if he knew that his support not only helped Bush win the election, but he lost his show on MSNBC because of his views on privacy and the Iraq War after September 11th.

That's not to say the attack wouldn't have happened anyway. But I bet Gore wouldn't have been quite as jungoistic.

Some may tell celebrities to "Shut up and sing", or act, as it were, but if you only use a high platform and notoriety for personal gain, you are basically still using your power.



The Indigo Girls came to speak and perform against a bill that would hamper low power broadcast stations.



Phil Donahue supported Ralph Nader in the 2000

Actors from The West Wing lobby for employee unionization. L to R Richard Schiff, Martin Sheen & Bradley Whitford.

Author's note:

The Employee Free Choice Act passed twice in The House but couldn't break a filibuster in The Senate.

The Low Power Protection Act did pass in 2002 and was enacted in 2003.

The Bipartisan Campaign Reform Act, otherwise known as McCain Feingold became law in 2007. President Bush signed it but he had some concerns.

Two out of three ain't bad.

Of course, The Supreme Court has overturned it, but that's another story. E.K.Murphy

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Singer Patti Smith brings her music to a Nadar rally in DC

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(2006); *Memo to the President: How We Can Restore America's Reputation and Leadership* (2008); *Read My Pins: Stories from a Diplomat's Jewel Box* (2009); *Prague Winter: A Personal Story of Remembrance and War, 1937-1948* (2012), and *Fascism: A Warning* (2018).

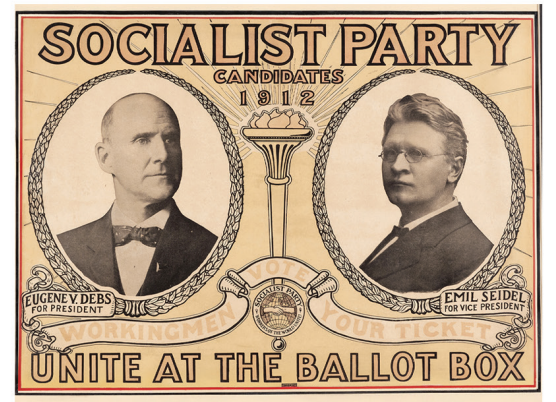
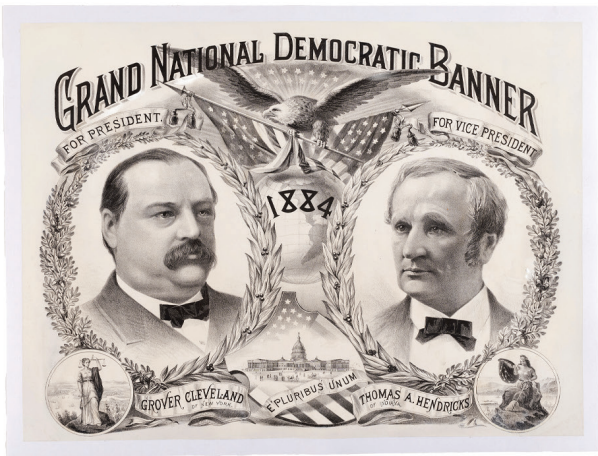
"It is easier to remove tyrants and destroy concentration camps than to kill the ideas that gave them birth."

— Madeleine K. Albright, *Fascism: A Warning*

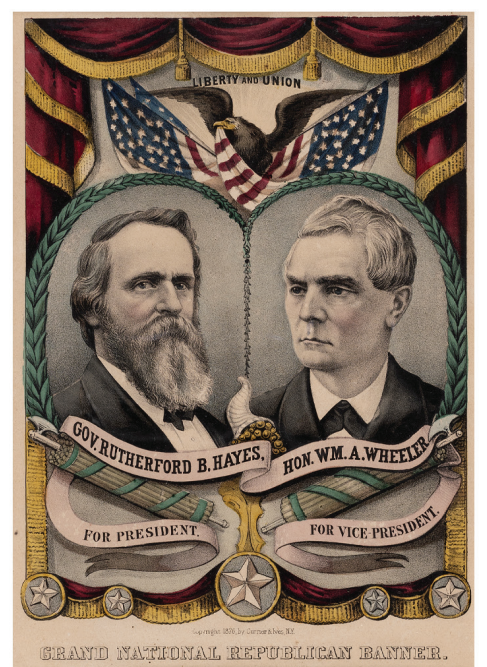
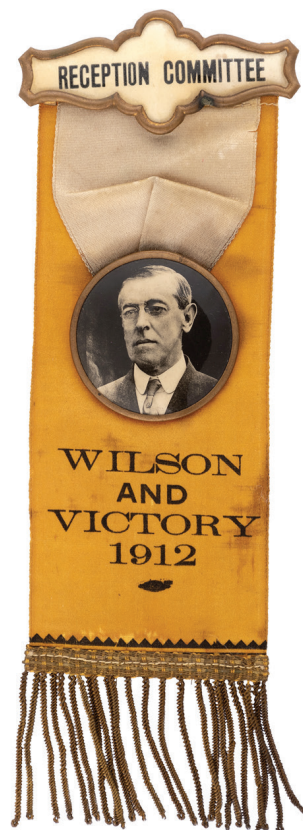
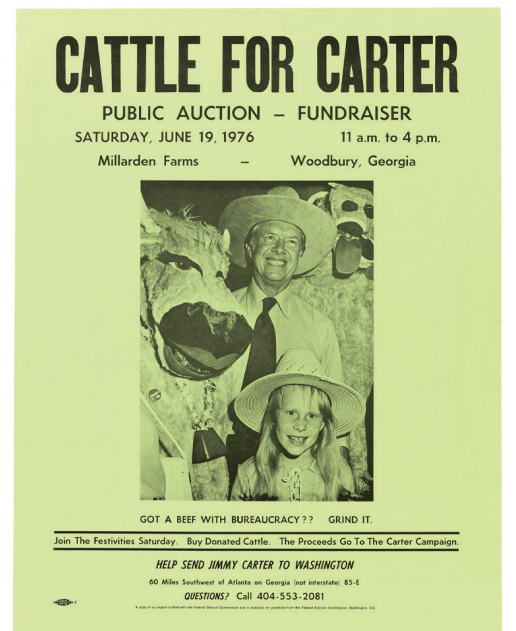
Dr. Albright received a B.A. with Honors from Wellesley College, and Master's and Doctorate degrees from Columbia University's Department of Public Law and Government, as well as a Certificate from its Russian Institute.

Secretary Albright passed away on March 23, 2022 in Washington, D.C.

Sources: <https://readmypins.state.gov/the-serpent-strikes-back>
Madeleine K. Albright, "Facism:A Warning" 2018, Harper Collins



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