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John Quincy Adams worked hard to be as accomplished as his father. In 1825 he finally made it to the height of the presidency as his father had done earlier. When he tried for re-election in 1828 and lost, he fell into a deep depression. At the time he wrote:

have no plausible motive for wishing to live when everything that I foresee and believe in futurity makes death desirable, and when the dearest indications that it is near at hand. While my whole life has been a succession of disappointments, I can scarcely recollect a single instance of success to anything that I have undertook.

As he left the presidency, Adams saw nothing in his future but death and nothing in his past of which he was proud. Even though he had lived what we now think of as an illustrious career

political assignment, at age 14, he went with his father, John Adams, to St. Petersburg, Russia. His father was the American

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Minister to Russia and John Quincy was his secretary. Later, at the still young age of 27, he was appointed Minister to the Netherlands. Three years later he was assigned Ministere to the very powerful and important country of Prussia. Having served successfully overseas, in 1801 he returned home to America. A famous name like Adams did not jurt John Quincy. Within the year he was elected to the Massachusetts Senate. He served only one year after which he was elected to the U.S. Senate.

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Even with all these accomplishments. John Quincy felt he was not a credit to his family's name. John Adams Sr. seems to have felt that same way about his son because, he wroteto J.Q.: "If you do not rise to the head not only of your profession, but of your country, it will be owing to your own laziness, slovenliness, and obstinancy."

As an adult, John Quincy was also very hard on himself. In describing himself he wrote, "I am a man of reserved, cold, austere and forbidding manners. My political adversaries say a gloomy misanthrope; my personal enemies say an unsocial savage."

Twenty years after he served with his father in Russia, President Madison, in 1809, named him Minister to Russia. J.Q. served there for three years while the U.S. was fighting the War of 1812. After which J.Q. traveled to Ghent, Germany where he was given the honor of writing the treaty of 1814 which ended the war.

In 1814, President Madison appointed Adams to head a five-person delegation to negotiate a peace agreement ending the War of 1812 with Britain. It was an auspicious group of Americans who met in Ghent, Belgium: Special Envoy John Quincy Adams, Secretary of the Treasury Albert Gallatin, Senator James A. Bayard of Delaware, Speaker of the House Henry Clay, and U.S. Minister to Sweden Jonathan Russell. The treaty negotiations took five months, resulting in an agreement to end the fighting and restore all territory to the status quo at the beginning of the war. No mention was made of the issues that had started the war, such as the impressment of American seamen or the rights of neutral commerce. Still, the treaty was a significant victory for the United States: the young nation had engaged the greatest

Pres.Madison

military power in the world without conceding anything in return for peace. The treaty was signed on December 24, 1814, two weeks prior to the great victory of U.S. forces over the British at the Battle of New Orleans. Word did not reach America of the treaty until mid-February, and the Senate ratified it unanimously on February 17, 1815. Madison subsequently posted Adams to England for two years. (Margaret A. Hogan, John Quincy Adams: Life Before The Presidency, https://millercenter.org)

John Quincy was highly thought of in Washington, D.C. for his diligent work with foreign countries. For these achievements he was appointed to the extremely significant position of Minister to Great Britian. During and after the War of 1812 the two countries had broken all vestiges of friendship. For two years J.Q. worked to smooth the relationship with the country that America had been fighting with off and on since 1775. It seems the treaty worked well for both the U.S. and Great Britian.

When he returned home for the first time in years, President Monroe chose John Quincy as Secretary of State. Monroe felt he was one of the few men in America who had such extensive knowledge of European politics. From 1817 to 1824, John Quincy filled this position brilliantly. During this time J.Q. helped enlarge the United States by negotiating a treaty with Spain, adding all of the Spanish Florida territory to the country. Margaret A. Hogan, Former Managing Editor, The Adams Family Papers, Massachusetts Historical Society describes his diplomatic accomplishments:

With the election of James Monroe as President, [JQ] Adams accepted appointment as secretary of state, serving from 1817 to 1825. During his long tenure as head of the State Department, he compiled an impressive record of diplomatic accomplishments. At the top of the list stands his role in formulating the Monroe Doctrine, which warned European nations not to meddle in the affairs of the Western Hemisphere. Although Thomas Jefferson and James Madison had advised President Monroe to issue the proclamation in a joint statement with Britain, Adams—understanding the diplomatic symbolism involved—persuaded Monroe to make a unilateral and independent statement as a Pres. Monroe mark of U.S. sovereignty in the hemisphere.

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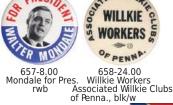






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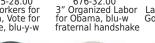
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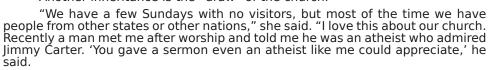
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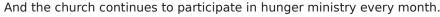
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Pastor Ashley, a native of Carrollton, Ga., is full-time minister at the church and lives in the parsonage in Plains.

a prophet.

to guide me each step on the journey," she said.

Visitors at Maranatha last September met Lizzie, the comfort Yorkie, who greeted everyone and was on her best behavior during the sermon

"Lizzie is with us most of the time," Pastor Ashley said. "She's an important part of our congregation!"

And the second unusual thing is that the pastor preached barefoot.

"I'd like to say subconsciously that it's a symbol of humility before the Lord, but really, I just like to be barefoot," she said.

"I like to find symbols of the whale, because Jonah's story is meaningful to me" she said. "And I collect camels because I love the Sahara. I went to Morocco in 2022 on an interfaith dialogue trip, and I've been back three times. I fell in love with the desert and camels remind me of it and the nice people I've met.

The Maranatha website is mbcplains.org. The church broadcasts the Sunday morning Bible study and morning worship on Facebook live. -30-

CPIC announced the banquet guest speaker, Donald "Don" Cammel, CWO3, U.S. Army, retired,

Mr. Cammel will speak about his experiences while providing presidential support in the White House Communication Agency. Don served under Presidents Lyndon B. Johnson, Richard M. Nixon, Gerald Ford, Jimmy Carter and Ronald Reagan. His experiences include being assigned to the White House and Camp David in

On Friday the buffet will be at 5:00 p.m. at the auction featuring some surprise items. Saturday join us for the Plains Peanut Festival. Events will be posted at plainsgeorgia.gov. Saturday evening's banquet will be at 6:00 p.m. at the Quality Inn. Sunday morning in Plains Bible study &

Headquarters hotel is the Quality Inn of Americus. You may contact Choice Hotels for your reservation: choicehotels.com or 877.424.6423 or call the hotel directly (520.433.4618) for the discounted CPIC room rate. For a convention registration form or questions contact Shirley Van Sickle. Email her at Shirleyavan@aol.com. Registration deadline is August 31.



Maranatha's First Female Pastor And Her 'Not Typical' Call

CPIC in the **NEWS**

Michael J. Brooks

Maranatha Baptist Church in Plains invited seminary student Ashley Guthas to preach in 2023—what Baptists call "pulpit supply"—and thus began a relationship culminating in her becoming pastor on June 2, 2024.

"I considered several job offers after my time at Mercer University, but never wanted to be a senior pastor," she said.

"I turned the church down when they asked me to be their pastor and went to the

Northside Drive Baptist in Atlanta as an associate. But Maranatha believed I needed to come to Plains. [Former Plains mayor] Boze Godwin asked me, 'What will it take to get you here?' Interestingly, Northside Drive Baptist Church was the church the Carters attended when in the governor's mansion.'

The current year has been a challenge, she said.

"The Carter Center called me a month before the president's passing and asked that I assist in Plains," she said. "Former pastor Tony Lowden was known as the Carter's pastor since he was here before their later health issues, so he officiated at our church on Jan. 9, but I was the host and offered prayers. I was also on the [U.S. Highway 280] roadside when the hearse traveled from Americus through Plains to Atlanta the Saturday before.

Whereas it's unusual for pastors to be female in Baptist churches, (especially in Southern Baptist churches where only some five percent of pastors are female. and there are some moves to oust these churches), Guthas said she doesn't get questioned about it too much. Maranatha is not affiliated with the SBC now but with the Cooperative Baptist Fellowship who take a more tolerant approach.

"I guess since I was raised in Southern Baptist culture, I don't like the term 'pastor' so much," she said. "I prefer Ashley."

"I wasn't raised in the SBC culture but rather only started volunteering in an SBC church after high school which then led to employment in a different SBC church as a "girl's youth associate."

Pastor Ashley said she's been handed an incredible inheritance since the Carters had a huge hand in Maranatha becoming the church it is.

"The Carters wanted a welcoming church—a place for people no matter what they look like or where they're from," she said. "I hope and pray that this space genuinely and authentically loves everyone.

Another inheritance is the "draw" of the church.

"We have a few Sundays with no visitors, but most of the time we have people from other states or other nations," she said. "I love this about our church. Recently a man met me after worship and told me he was an atheist who admired

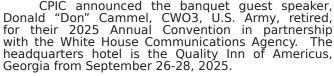
"The Carters worked in this ministry for many years and it's a wonderful

"We do this on the third Saturday each month, and serve 200-300 families

When asked about future ministries and challenges, she insisted she's not

"I guess I'm more of a 'lamp before my feet' kind of person, and trust God

Pastor Ashley is not a political collector but does enjoy acquiring two things.



addition to providing presidential travel support.

Quality Inn, Americus, GA with a business meeting and worship at Maranatha Baptist Church - 10:00 a.m.





By Scott Jasnoch

This month a few items were found on the PME page on Facebook that are worth showcasing, some great bargains out

First up is this 1 1/8" Willkie flag like patch.

On the left side, there is a blue-toned portrait and to the left of the portrait are three horizontal red stripes on a white background.

On the right side, in bold blue capital letters, it reads "WIN WITH" above the name "Willkie" written in a flowing red script. An easy pickup for \$8.

Next up is a tiny %" stud for Bryan and Sewall. It features a portrait of them surrounded by stars and stripes reminiscent of the American flag. A must have for only \$45.

classic but very small pin is this 13/16" example that reads "CLEAN HOUSE WITH DEWEY" in blue lettering on a white background. The pin also features blue illustrations of a broom sweeping and dust clouds suggesting a campaign slogan focused on reform and change. It was an easy purchase for only \$6.

This 1 ¼" pin featuring a portrait of William Howard Taft is something you don't see everyday. He is depicted from the chest up, facing slightly to the right. The words "WILLIAM H. TAFT" are printed in white lettering on a curved banner across the bottom of

the button. Well worth the purchase price of \$38. Last but not least is this 1 3/4" white

campaign pin with black text. The text reads "APPOINTEES" in a circular fashion at the top, followed by "FORD" and then "ROCKEFELLER" stacked n the center in larger font. At the bottom, it reads 1974-76". It was likely worn by individuals appointed to positions during their administration. A great pick up at \$12. Until next time.



SEEKING THE IMMIGRANT VOTE

With large numbers of immigrants arriving in the United States in the 19th century, U.S. politicians often courted them. Candidates desperately wanted the votes of newly minted citizens. Then, as now, immigrants typically turned to the political parties that aided them and supported their rights. In urban areas, Democratic political machines, such as New York's Tammany Hall, provided Irish and German immigrants with jobs, fuel, and food in return for votes. In rural areas, such as Minnesota, Iowa, and Wisconsin, German and Scandinavian immigrants turned to Republicans and their free soil/free men message.

The Ellis Island National Museum of Immigration is currently planning a new exhibition about political participation among new citizens in the 1840s-1880. The exhibit will open in July 2026 as part of a celebration for the nation's 250th birthday.

To bring the story to life, we hope to acquire political artifacts related to immigrants running for office or politicians wooing immigrant voters. Because so many immigrants during this time period lived in ethnic communities and often continued speaking their native language, we hope to acquire campaign materials in multiple languages. During this period, many immigrants arrived from Germany, Ireland, Sweden, Norway, Denmark, Bohemia, and Poland. Material in these languages would be ideal.

The kinds of objects we're hoping to find for display include:

- campaign buttons and ribbons
- imprinted campaign objects, such as cups, glasses, pipes, etc.
- printed ballots
- campaign posters
- sheet music from campaigns

The Museum is open to artifacts on loan, as gifts, or for purchase. For more information, please contact:

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Abstract

As early as 1704, noncitizen immigrants were legally allowed to vote in what would become the United States. By the end of the eighteenth century, noncitizens could legally vote in most states. State lawmakers offered the franchise as an incentive for white, male, Europeans of working age to migrate. However, rising immigration and nativism led states to reconsider alien suffrage, as noncitizen voting was known, and alien suffrage nearly disappeared by the 1840s. Revived by territorial expansion, demands for cheap labor, urbanization, racism, and sexism, alien suffrage expanded in the mid-to-late nineteenth century, peaking a century after the nation's founding. However, resurgent nativism, wartime xenophobia, and corruption concerns pushed lawmakers to curtail noncitizen voting, and citizenship became a voting prerequisite in every state by 1926.

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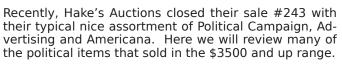


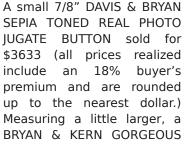


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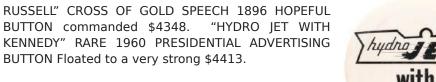




AND RARE 1 3/4" JUGATE BUTTON with images of Lady Liberty as well, got to \$3707. Exhibiting only minor wear, a 7/8" COOLIDGE 1924 "SILENT SAFE SURE COOL-IDGE" SLOGAN PORTRAIT BUTTON required a \$3932 bid.



At 14" high, a HENRY FOREVER" "CLAY PUNCHED TIN 1840 CANDLE CAMPAIGN LANTERN shone brightly at \$4326. Also rans continue to sell well, a 7/8" "FOR PRESIDENT WM. E.



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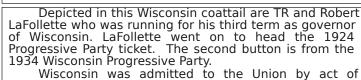
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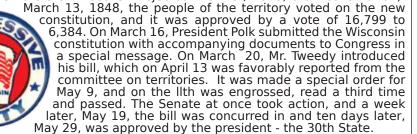
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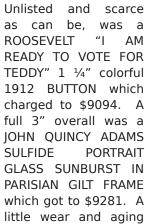
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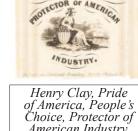
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have gone home after losing an election. They would have written their memoirs and relished the role of elder statesman. But not John Quincy. The loss of this one election convinced him that his life was a waste. For two years he wallowed in depression of what he saw as his failed life. Then a group of devoted friends ,who wanted to give him something to live for convinced him to run for Congress on the National Republican ticket in 1830. This time Adams won, entered Congress, and served his country for the next eighteen years from 1831 until his death in 1848. He remains the only former president to be elected to the chamber.

Adams, who after years of living in Europe and

learning the genius of negotiation, did not have the

slightess idea of how American politics actually worked. One of his first acts after his election was to name

Henry Clay Secretary of State. Adams felt Clay was the

most qualified person for that position. That was the

moment Jackson supporters thought there had probably

been a "corrupt bargain" between Adams and Clay to

get Clay's votes. Andrew Jackson did not understand

the psychology of the Adams family. Neither John

Adams, nor John Quincy, would have made any kind

of bargain with anyone for anything. Because of this

so-called "corrupt bargain", the Jacksonian Democrats

campaigned for four years to secure the White House for

their party. Adams lost the 1828 election in 1825 when

he chose Clay. Adams never did comprehend why he

Most presidents before Adams and since would

However, the story doesn't end quietly here. Unlike other former presidents, Adams carved out a $\frac{7}{x}$ 7 5/8". Auction radical new career in Congress. As President, John Q. #6311 / Lot #43193. Sold Adams carefully side stepped the question of slavery, not on Feb 22, 2025 for: wanting to "offend or abuse" any state over the slavery \$325.00. Heritage.com issue. Now that he did not have to carry the weight of the entire country as president, he plunged recklessly

into this highly charged controversy. Adams had never been much of a "people person." He had been aloof and

JOHN QUINCY ADAMS: FIGHTER FOR FREEDOM

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Canadian border from Minnesota to the Rockies, formulated a

pragmatic policy for the recognition of newly independent Latin

American nations, and achieved the transfer of Spanish Florida to the

United States in the Adams-Onís Treaty of 1819. This treaty also fixed

the southwestern boundary of the United States at the Sabine River

(in present-day Texas) and removed Spanish claims to Oregon. Adams

also halted Russian claims to Oregon. Within the State Department,

he appointed staff on the basis of merit rather than patronage, and

upon his election as President in 1824, he left behind a highly efficient

diplomatic service with clear accountability procedures and a system

Previously, J.Q. wanted to run for the presidency in 1820 against James Monroe,

but most people simply ignored him. Then in 1824, Adams became serious about

the race. History buffs know there were four candidates for president that year:

After four months of viscious infighting with no one gaining enough votes to win,

Henry Clay finally threw his electoral votes not to Jackson, the war hero, but to

Adams, the peace negotiator. Clay said to Congress that John Quincy Adams was

the better man to be president.

John Quincy Adams, Andrew Jackson, Henry Clay and William H. Crawford.

lost his re-election.

John Quincy Adams had reached for the pinnacle of American politics.

lackson received 43% of the popular vote. Adams got 30%. However, neither had an electoral majority. The vote then went to the House of Representatives.

of regularized correspondence in place.

Secretary of State Adams also successfully negotiated U.S. fishing rights off the Canadian coast, established the present U.S.-

an intellectual as president. But when he became a Congressman, he became, as historian Lawrence Lader said, "a foremost champion of popular liberties, drawing a whirlwind of controversy around his head" surrounding himself "by a warmth and devotion that had never come to him in the White House.'

When Adams entered Congress in 1830, slavery was an issue best avoided. No one in Washington, D.C. mentioned the "American Institution", since it was political suicide to do so. In his younger days J.Q. had spoken against slavery, calling it "the great and foul stain upon the North American Union." However, Adams never allied himself with the Abolitionists because he claimed they "had a senseless and overbearing clamor." Adams emphatically opposed the extension of slavery into the new states and "hoped for evential emancipation."

To understand what next happened in John Quincy's life, the reader must take a step back and understand our Constitution. Unlike most other nations our Constitution guarantees the common, ordinary U.S. citizen the right to petition directly to our government to address grievances and thus set them right.

The anti-slavery movement used this right of petition to make their position known to all. Each petition was read aloud in front of Congress, put into the minutes, and became an official part of the record. This process sometimes took all of the Congressional working day. One such petition "demanding the abolition of slavery in the District of Columbia had 130,200 signatures. Another to prohibit slave trade between the states carried 23,160. Yet another to prohibit slavery in the U.S. territories had 21,200 signatures. All the names had to be read into

In one year, 1838-39, Dr. Henry Stanton, and abolishonist leader, estimated that the American Anti-Slavery Society gathered two million signatures on petitions. In fact, the stacks of petitions were piled so high in the basement of the Capitol that 70 years later (1910) the Harvard historian Albert Bushnell Hart, discovered "the janitor still used the paper to light the fire in his stove."

In John Quincy Adams' maiden speech to Congress in 1831, he presented

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is us he careful what we eat that we may not be sick. The deed is done and I need say no more

African Americana: Amistad Print or Newspaper Extra. 9" x 11.25" lithograph titled "Extra Sun", issued by the publisher of the "New York Sun", Moses Beach, in 1839. It depicts "Joseph Cinquez [sic]", the leader of a revolt of Africans, kidnapped from their homes in Sierra Leone and sold into slavery in Cuba. While being transported by their two new Spanish owners, the captives killed the ship's captain and some crew members and took over control of the ship named the "Amistad". Through a subterfuge, the ship sailed to Long Island, rather than Africa. The mutineers were arrested and brought to trial in the United States, winning acquittal and their freedom through the legal efforts of Roger Baldwin and John Quincy Adams. The subtitle reads: "The brave Congolese Chief, who prefers death to Slavery, and who now lies in Jail in Irons at New Haven Conn. awaiting his trial for daring for freedom."

Cinqué and his comrades gained their freedom on a legal technicality, since the ownership papers were fraudulent and claimed the slaves were natives of Cuba, rather than Africans (the international slave trade being illegal). The question of slavery's legality was not a factor in the trial. Hinged with linen tape along the left edge onto a larger sheet. A very historic piece. Examples are housed in the Library of Congress and the Connecticut Historical Society, but we could not locate any sales at question. the Connecticut Historical Society, but we could not locate any sales at auction. 2014 May 24 Americana & Political Signature Auction - Dallas #6114/Lot #38025 Sold on May 24, 2014 for: \$2,625.00. HeritageAuctions.com

15 petitions from the citizens of Pennsylvania, "praying for the abolition of slavery." The Southern states protested. Petitions continued to come to Adams, and he acted on them as a congressman much differently than he could act as president. He continued presenting them to Congress. The Southern states continued to protest vigorously.

The South and their allies in the North tried to stop Adams speaking about slavery in public. The South claimed they had a right to keep slaves and only the southern states themselves could "say no" to slavery. Adams saw it differently. "Slavery was wrong" and for the South to deny him the "right to speak about or petition the government about slavery was in fact denying him his Constitutional right to Freedom of Speech."

In 1837 John Quincy told his fellow Congressmen, "I adhere to the right of petition where there is the degree of vice or immorality which shall deprive the citizen of the right to supplicate for a boon, or to pray for mercy."

Once John Quincy presented 50 petitions to Congress. Soon after that he introduced three hundred and fifty. With each petition he would interupt the business of the House, sending Southern Representatives into a crazy fury. The South wanted to bury slavery as an issue of public debate. They even tried to ban abolition literature from going through the U.S. mail. The bill, with President Andrew Jackson's backing, passed the House but failed in the Senate. When the issue of slavery reached a peak, southern representatives and some northern allies decided to crush the agitators in Congrees, especially John Quincy. On May 18, 1836, a committee led by Henry L. Pincking of South Carolina presented three resolutions. The key resolution stated: "... any petition or memorial to Congress relating to slavery should be automatically laid on

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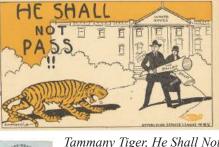


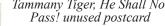
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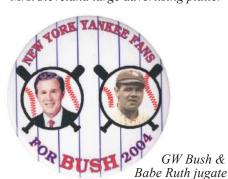


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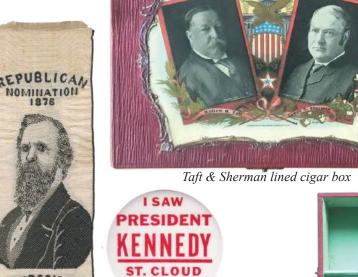


Willmington, A.A. 1902, baseball team,





1880 Garfield & Arthur



OCT. 7, 1962

I Saw President Kennedy, St.

Cloud Oct 7, 1962, 2.5"





1876 Republican Nomination Hayes & Wheeler ribbon

OR PRESIDENT

A B Hayes

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OR VICE PRESIDEN

3" Kennedy

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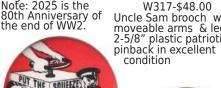
JEANNINE'S WORLD WARS & MORE

8oth Anniversary of VE Day, WW2 Victory in Europe, May 8, 2025



W310-\$30.00
Allied Victory Over The
Axis VJ & VE 1945,
MacArthur & Eisenhower text
embossed on the front of
this 1.25" metal token shown
above. Commemorates the
end of WW2. Embossed text
on Side 2: Gen. Eisenhower
Victorious Commander of
European Operations on VE
Day - May 8, 1945. Gen.
MacArthur Victorious
Commander of Pacific Commander of Pacific Operations on VJ Day August 14, 1945. Note: 2025 is the

W317-\$48.00 Uncle Sam brooch with moveable arms & legs 2-5/8" plastic patriotic pinback in excellent



W326-\$225.00 Put The Squeeze On The Japanese, Beat the Promise (slogan also used on WW2 posters) Issued by RCA worker

RARE. NEAR MINT.

W334-\$42.00 Reautiful

brooch enameled & embellished

w/faux rwb jewels 3/4" x 1-1/8" pinback. Sterling stamp. Silver

Vermeil (gold wash) NEAR MINT.

W341-\$32.00

5/16"x1/2" enameled pin

W347-\$28.00

tiny enameled pinback

One-Son-In-Service

BEAT THE

the end of WW2.



W318-\$24.00

paper: Phila. Badge Co.

W311-\$00.00

W327-\$28.00 W328-\$24.00 I Will Keep 'em Shooting U.S. Army Ordinance Harbor, 1.25", WW2

W335-\$20.00

Bomber plane charm

embossed metal 5/8"

Excellent condition. Sterling. NEAR MINT.

W342-\$30.00

pin attached by chain.

Two-Sons-In-Service

Sterling stamp on back NEAR MINT.

3/8"x7/8" enameled pinback

Enameled flag 5/8" pin & 1" embossed Statue of Liberty



W312-\$18.00 V-Morse Code For Victory Annual Poppy Sale 1934 The American Legion & American Legion Auxiliary curl: Bastian Bros. PA, Post or Unit, unused name badge, blu/w, 2-1/8"

7/8" Pour La Droit et la Liberte 1917 (French=



W314-\$18.00



W315-\$18.00 General Dwight D. Eisenhower, 1.25"



W316-\$55.00 Welcome Our Gallan Boys Home, 1.75"



W322-\$34.00 Missouri S.S.A. 1920 7/8", paper: Bastian Bros. W321-\$18.00 Toast Our American Way, Unc Sam hat, curl: The Old Reading Brewery Co., 7/8"





One-Son-in-Service 1942, 7/8", curl:



W329-\$20.00 V-Morse Code Keep 'em Flying 7/8", WW2

W336-\$38.00

embossed pinback NEAR MINT condition.

W343-\$42.00 1.5"x1.75" Single

plastic fighter plane w/tiny 3/16" wings pin & plastic 1/2" letters S.B.A. on

W353-\$95.00

Servitus. Civil War Sailor (left)/Soldier (right). Bottom in small text: W&H

US Army WWI doughboy soldier saluting in front of crossed rifles usually a symbol associated with infantry. 1.25"x 2" painted Commander 1901. Side 2 text: Sons of Veterans Gratia del



W337-\$48.00

Single propeller fighter plane 1.25"x 1.75" plastic brooch brooch embellished w/clear Defend America, enameled shield topped w/eagle over

faux jewels on the wings.

2"x 1-3/8" pinback` NEAR MINT.

1/4" 1942 bar pin

WW2

W354-\$25.00

1.25" paper: W&H

USS Maine, Sp-Am War

Eisenhower Volunteer embossed

1/2" clutch back lapel pin/tie tack

W344-\$110.00

Embossed 1/4" arch

pinback w/enameled

above 2nd star.

Otherwise very

good. Revolutionary

3/4" charm, S.&D.of L

lady holds scales of justice. Small chip in blue

3/4" charm, S.&D.of L. flag charm. (Sons&Daughters of Liberty) NEAR MINT.

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W331-\$18.00 Willkie, Wings for America
1940 Pres. campaign
1" litho curl: Bastian Bros.

Virginia Council of Defense
T.P.A. I Am Working, That
Some Man May Serve His
Country. 1.5"

W338-\$36.00

crossed rifles 3/4"x1-3/8" pinback brooch. NEAR MINT.

W346-\$50.00

Embossed 5/8" eagle pin w/One-Son-In-Service

enameled star toppping a 1"dia.embossed charm

w/Marine logo, laurel on sides & World War II in

blue enamel banner at

bottom. Sterling stamp on back of charm.

W350-\$52.00 Cuffed ladies hand w/bracelet

at wrist, embossed 1-3/8"

pinback brooch w/fingers

flag charm. Very unusual

MINT condition. WW2.

presenting an enameled 1/2'

scarce patriotic pin in NEAR



Armistice Day Nov.11th

W339-\$52.00

"Allies" inscribed in

green banner below

French, Brit, US, &

Italian WWI flags 3/4" enameled lapel

pinback. NEAR MINT.





V for Victory Volunteer 7/8"x3/4"





W373-\$14.00 TWUA Textile Workers

Jnion of America CIO eb, 7/8" litho,

W380-\$15.00 W381-\$15.00 United Auto Workers IAM Ranger Lodge 836 International Union 1942, paper: Universal



W400-\$14.00

Valley Forge Heritage Hike, G.S. 1961 s_____ 1.25" pa

CUYAHOGA

W374-\$18.00 IHCBE CLU of A, Local #861, Geauga Lake, Cuyango, 1949



W401-\$32.00

ge 14th U.S. Engineers 1917-1919 First To Go paper: Pilgrim Specialty Co. Malden , Mass., 1.25"

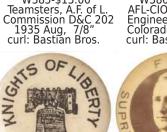
W409-\$18.00

D.A.V., Welcome Buddy (Disabled American Veteran), 1.25"



W402-\$20.00 I Own A War Bond,

W385-\$15.00









Dirigo, Maine 1919 7/8" paper: W&H





V for victory 4-H Club Work



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long bristles.

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Lady dressed in war uniform

wood 3.75"tall x 3-3/8"wide x

WWI wisk broom. Painted

We'll invoice you when we send the items. See also pg 10-11,15. Items are in very good to fine

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March of Dimes, Fight Infantile Paralysis
3/4" litho, curl: Sherman
March of Dimes, Figh Infantile Paralysis 193 curl: Bastian Bros.



W356-\$30.00 Victory Hall Association Member, Gold Star, Dough Boy soldier, laurel, 3/4" litho WWI



American Association For Health & Physical Education, E.D.S. 1938 Atlantic City, paper: St. Louis Button Co., 1.25'



W364-\$10.00 W365-\$14.00 United Evangelistic Advance for Christ 1950 Reading, 7/8' Lieutenant, 2"



W359-\$10.00

Mfg. Co., Prov. RI.



W360-\$10.00

3/4" litho

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W375-\$12.00 International Molders &

1.25" curl: Bastan Bros.

Salvation Army Authorized Jackson County 1929 Jackson County 1931 Worker 1931 Citizen's Health Honor Roll Health Honor Roll Appeal, 1.25" 1" 1"





March of Dimes, Fight Modern Health Crusade Infantile Paralysis 1939 1918-19, woman holds eagle brooch, American Women's Voluntary Services,

shield in one hand & rwb enameled shield, pin back brooch caduceus in the other, 7/8" or hat pin, 1.75"x 2.75", WWII

W376-\$15.00

W361-\$14.00





I Was There, 1933 Exposition, Drink Cascade, Omaha 1899, partial paper: W&H. 1.25"



W377-\$32.00 Buffalo Div. 623 Apr 1914, 7/8" stud streetcar/trolley A.A.S.& E. R.E.of A. by Geraghty, Chicago





W386-\$18.00 AFL-CIO Operating



W403-\$22.00 Knights of Liberty, 3/4"





W419-\$38.00

Gen. R. E. Lee 1.25" Civil War real photo c.1910

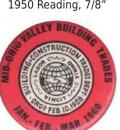
W420-\$38.00 General (Fitzhugh) Lee 1.25", paper: W&H,

nephew of R.E.Lee





A.B.C. 1931 Buffalo, NY, curl: Bastian Bros. 1.25"



W371-\$70.00 1.25" Patrons of Industry shief of wheat, tools, plow, fraternal handshake curl: Bastian Bros., paper: Ann St.Badge Co., NY,



W379-\$18.00 Euclid Lodge 1228 IAM, International Association of Machinists, A.F.of L.

ONAL COA

W405-\$18.00

W413-\$170.00

We're Behind the Man Behind the Gun, 1.75"

paper: W&H





1951 W387-\$20.00 K of C, Knights of Columbus, 1.25"



W388-\$28.00 W399-\$95.00
CA State Convention 1951 Let Us End This Talk
San Diego, Compliments of Civic Righteousness of Star Engraving, A.F. of L. The Skull & Crossbones

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Maccabees, 7/8"

fraternal benevolent

KPTM, Knights of the



W406-\$16.00 American Legion Welcome Legionnaire 1.25"



W407-\$16.00 Welcome American Legion, 1.25"

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Winner of America's Cup, Puritan 1885,

paper: Pepsin Gum





Perry's Victory Centennial Celebration

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W418-\$400.00

Confederate flags (profile of woman is Davis) 1.25" Civil War

consul-general to Cuba 1896, Spanish-Am War.

W352-\$52.00

2025 VERNON HOUSTON CHAPTER SHOW, GREENSBORO, NC -- APRIL 5TH



Charlie Hertlein, Winston Blair



Neil Ledock

Bob Godfrey

David Crane

L to R: Tom McGrail. Mike Dunham.





Tom Gilmore (above) Chris Hearn (right)



John Gingrich

We had another great time at the Vernon Houston Chapter show in Greensboro, NC on the weekend of April 4th and 5th. Over 50 tables were full of goodies for everyone to enjoy ranging from buttons and posters to Civil War and advertising. We had over 50 buttons and posters to Civil War and advertising. We had over 50 people come in on Saturday to attend the show and the dealers all had a good show. The hospitality suite on Friday night was a big hit, as well as room hopping with several dealers reporting strong sales. On Saturday night after the show, we enjoyed dinner at a nearby Italian restaurant. If you haven't attended this show before, we would highly encourage you to attend one year. We have surpassed the 40 year mark now for the show and hope to keep it going for a long time. See you next April!

-Winston Blair and Charlie Hertlein

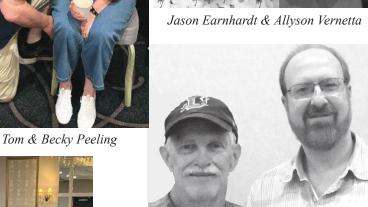


Charlie Hertlein, Buddy & Kellie Houston



Lon & Chandler Ellis





John Gray & Skip Morgan



Skip Morgan





Greg Thompson

Greg Thompson



Deb Hertlein, Abby & Kaitlyn Hernry

Tom Gilmore & Milo Pyne

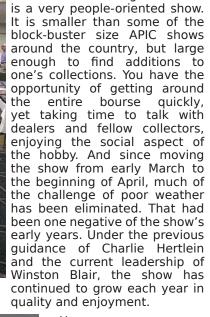
Jack Dixie & Brian Krapf



Rick Wood



John Gray & Harvey Goldberg



The Greensboro Regional Show







Frank Acker (below)



Sheryl & Doug Butler



--Harvey Goldberg, attendee

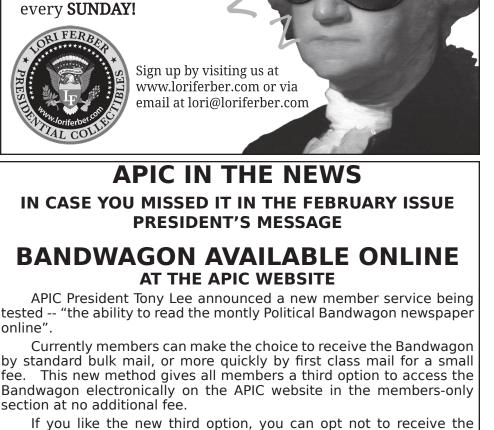


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"History is a ribbon, always unfurling; history is a journey. And as we continue our journey, we think of those who traveled before us . . . Now we hear again the echoes of our past: a general falls to his knees in the hard snow of Valley Forge; a lonley President paces the darkened halls, and ponders his struggle to preserve the Union; the men of the Alamo call out encouragement to eadh other; a settler pushes west and sings a song, and the song echoes out forever and fills the unknowing air. It is the American sound It is hopeful, big-hearted, idealistic, daring, decent, and fair. That's our heritage; that is our song. We sing it still. For all our problems, our differences, we are together as of old, as we raise our voice to the God who is the Author of this most tender music. And may He continue to hold us close as we fill the world with our sound -- sound in unity, affection, and love -- one people under God, dedicated to the dream of freedom that He has placed in the human heart, called upon now to pass that dream on to a waiting and hopeful world." -- Ronald Reagan

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REASURES on the WEB

By Paul Bengston

Spring has sprung up here in the Northland. This means that flea market season is just a few weeks away. The thrill that used to accompany this time of year for me has faded over time. The flea markets are smaller than they used to be, and the quality of items has slipped. I used to have a half dozen "pickers" who would save the stuff they had found over the winter; they are all selling on eBay now. And yet off I will go at sunrise hopeful that something good will turn up at the very next booth. The good news is that eventually something will show up. If I have learned one thing in my 50+ years of hunting, persistence pays off. I still hit all the antique shops, shows, flea markets just like I did long ago. I enjoy the experience of the hunt. It is in my blood. I hope that younger collectors won't just collect on the web. My collection has benefited greatly from grass-roots hunting. So, get up early, get out there and have fun. Make a day of it.



HAS THE COUNTRY I MADE

VOTE

THOMAS

MAURER

First up is a small pinback that I knew nothing about. Listed as a Washington memorial item, it is actually a 1832 centennial item. It sold for \$1,350 which I am told is about right.

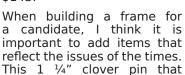
This wonderful Van Buren ribbon from July 4th, 1840, was offered as a Buy It Now for \$4,800 was sold as a Best Offer accepted at \$4,250.

This 4" x 2 1/4" CDV of Lincoln taken in February 1861 sold for \$920. A very handsome item. One can almost feel the weight of the union resting on his shoulders.

This small Grant tintype pinback in a fancy frame sold

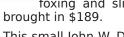
This 1 ¼" sepia showing McKinley from 1900 is one don't recall seeing before. must have caught the attention of some McKinley specialists as it sold for \$306.

With a "16 to 1 Free Silver" slogan, this 1 $\frac{1}{4}$ " Bryan Stevenson jugate is an odd one. With some light patina (right Benny?), this sold for



mentions trusts, bimetallism and expansion is a must for any Bryan frame. This one sold for \$130 which I thought was a good buy.

Another 1900 Bryan item offered that reflects an issue of the time was this 1 ¾" "Imperialism Has the Country I Made Free Come to This - Bryan Will Save It" pin featuring George Washington. With a crack, some very light foxing and slightly faded, it still



This small John W. Davis palm card sold for a very reasonable \$53. A good buy for someone trying to fill a Davis frame.

Offered in a group of other items that were all reproductions was this 1 3/4" Al Smith pin. You don't see this offered often and the group sold for \$190.

From either 1928 or 32, this "Vote Socialist Thomas and Maurer" ribbon sold for \$110.

I still recall finding one of these FDR Garner jugates at a flea market when I was a kid for \$5. I still have it. This one was mint and sold for \$130.

This large 4" "Pull 2nd Lever Roosevelt Schricker" is often seen scratched up as it is a litho. This one was in real good condition and sold for \$228.



Another litho offered in great condition was this small Landon. These are seldom offered and a terrific looking item. This one sold for \$147.

There are a handful of versions of sold for \$331.

At least 2 sharp eyed collectors noticed the spelling error on this otherwise common Willkie (Willke)

From his losing primary fight for Senate in 1944, this Joe McCarthy brochure sold for \$79. Don't overlook paper items for your

Rarely offered was this 1 3/4" Ike Nixon jugate with an inaugural ribbon. I think this is the best looking of all Ike Nixon jugates. It sold for \$405. I am told this comes out of Michigan.

Hidden in a group of junk was this

sold for \$2,464. With it came the written story of a young girl who got the campaigning future President to sign it during the 1960 WI primary.

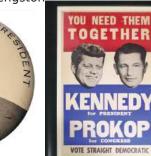
mint and already framed. A good buy The "I Dialed for the Duke" pin is from

considered one of the better Dukakis pins. This one sold for \$35, way down For the Huey Long collectors, this

for \$203. Join us on the Facebook group

Treasures on the Web for more detailed comments on these and many other



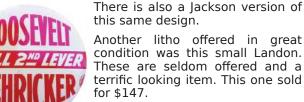




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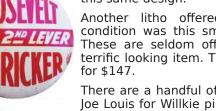




McCARTHY

U. S. SENATE

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Joe Louis for Willkie pins. This one

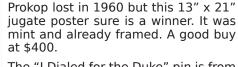
jugate. It sold for \$180.

collection. A brochure like this covers the issues of the times.

I've always liked this 1 1/4" "Hooray for Adlai" pin. These used to sell in the \$700-900 range, this one sold for \$277.

rare 7/8" green and white "Stevenson Kennedy" from the 1956 Democratic National Convention. The group sold

for \$260. This slabbed and signed IFK brochure



the lowa caucus and has always been from past sale records.

3 ½" movie prop pin showing John Goodman is a fun item to add. It sold

items sold on the web.







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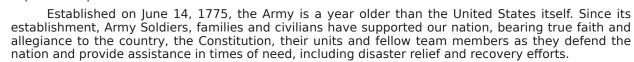


By U.S. Army Public Affairs February 11, 2025

WASHINGTON — The U.S. Army will celebrate its 250th birthday on June 14, 2025, commemorating the Army's distinguished service to our nation. The central theme for this year's celebration is "This We'll Defend.

"As we prepare for our future, we also reflect on our past," said Gen. Randy George, Chief of Staff of the Army. "'This we'll defend' was first used as a battle cry by the Continental Army. Today it reminds us that our Army's purpose is clear: to fight and win the nation's wars. We remain committed to honing our warfighting skills, enforcing standards and discipline, and living the values that have defined our Army culture for the past 250 years."

As we enter 2025, the Army's 250th birthday will be celebrated with a series of commemorations, including leadership engagements, community outreach events and other events showcasing Army units, history, lineage and



For 250 years, the U.S. Army has offered endless possibilities and opportunities for service to our nation. With over 200 career choices for Soldiers and more than 500 career paths for civilians, Army possibilities are endless. The Army helps create a sense of purpose through personal growth and professional development - empowering Soldiers and civilian employees to be part of something greater than themselves and to be all they can be.

"For 250 years, Soldiers have proudly served our country and protected its people, with our oath to support and defend the Constitution as our guiding principle," said Sgt. Maj. of the Army Michael R. Weimer. "We continue to stand ready to respond to the needs of the nation, and to fight and win when called upon. This we'll defend!'

To learn more about the Army's 250th birthday, visit: America's First National Institution | U.S. Army https://www.army.mil/1775/

I FORGOT I ALREADY HAVE THAT

By Harvey Goldberg

Many of us in the hobby who are long-time collectors have large and varied collections. I am known as "The Kennedy Collector", but my interests go far beyond that. Originally, I started as did others, going through standard stages of collecting to get where I am now. First let me state that I have never collected for investment. Others may have done so but I began as a young teenager, collecting stamps. I'm sure most of you have heard of the Mystic Stamp Company. Founded in New York in 1923, it is one of the largest dealers for philatelists (stamp collectors).

I also had help. My father was a Post Office employee. Whenever a new stamp was issued, he would buy a sheet of them for my collection. After a time, however, even researching the individuals, places, or events depicted on

and arranging them in albums became a chore. And after a while all of the stamps started to a while all of the stamps started to look very similar to each other. I understand how people get caught up in and heavily involved in philately, but it wasn't for me. Unintentionally, my stamp collecting came to a sudden end. I stored the albums and envelopes of stamps on shelves with newer arrivals and additions in

a desk drawer for easier access. Unfortunately, I had put a number of batteries in the same drawer as the stamps. All was well until one of the batteries leaked, bringing about the end of my philatelic career.

Then I turned to collecting coins. That was a challenge for a teenager on an allowance. My main contact was the U.S. Mint for information as well as purchases. There were many different categories to collect, including commemoratives, collecting by type, date, mint mark, denomination, or even by specific series or errors. Avoiding "mint uncirculated" specimens to reduce cost, I was building an unorganized cigar box of miscellaneous U.S. and some foreign coins. I'd go to the local bank and get rolls of pennies, take them home and go through them coin-by-coin. I did become more organized with those Whitman Blue Books, first for Lincoln cents then Jefferson nickels, and Liberty dimes.

It didn't take very long before I filled the Lincoln cent albums, except for the illusive 1909 VDBS cent that was just too costly at that time. Let me tell you, it quickly became expensive for a kid with limited funds. At first I was very confused with all the variations, especially "condition"

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What I had acquired was, as I said above, a miscellary of coins for "the collection". So ended my active participation as a coin collector. I found better ways to use my limited cash reserves.

Several years later I discovered campaign buttons while accompanying a friend to an antique show so he could hopefully add to his collection of magazines all published the year he was born. This was of no interest to me at all but a display of campaign buttons did attract me. These were from McKinley to Eisenhower. I walked out of that store with the beginnings of a "new collection". Not long afterward I learned

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that they were reproductions from Kleenex and the American Oil Company (left).



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Cents

However, this setback did not dissuade me. It became a challenge. My spare time now included trips to antique stores, junk shops, and any place I thought would have political buttons. With the help of an English teacher in high school I quickly learned how to do in depth research on the candidates, campaigns, and U.S. elections. Thank you, Mrs. Callander! (right). My senior year saw the beginning of what is now a six decade long collecting interest.

At first it was "I don't have that one. How much is it?" It

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wasn't very long before I realized I had to limit my additions to build a worthwhile collection. Not for investment, but for organization. Who to collect? Candidates or campaigns? Party or generics? Presidentials or locals? It did take a while but I first decided to "specialize" in Franklin D. Roosevelt. Why? He was President when I was born (along with a zillion other people). And I figured with four presidential

campaigns there would be a lot of items available for collectors. It was a learning process. By 1960 I'd built a nice collection of FDR buttons and in January 1961 I'd added several JFK inaugural buttons to the collection. By 1968 my interest included Robert F Kennedy Sr., and eventually Ted Kennedy was added to the list.

In between I developed interests in and collected U.S. WWI & WWII home front pins, Ocean Liners and Steamship pins and tableware, shot glasses from our vacations (as well as political), "mini-pins" (5/8" or smaller - politicals and advertising), U.S. Manned Space Flight buttons (Mercury through the Space Shuttle), Lapel Tabs, along with several short-lived collections. To show you the variety, I also have a growing collection of small bottles of sand (left) from places we've travelled to. Yes SAND - from beaches we've been to over the years. This one is from Biondi Beach in Sydney, Australia. You wouldn't believe how different each sample of sand is from the others!

One of the many things that I have always appreciated about our hobby was the unending number of variables to be collected. Since I long ago decided to limit the collection to Presidentials, the addition of new items every four years is a big plus. Though I still concentrate on FDR and the Kennedys, I add also add a grouping from each successive presidential campaign.



BEACH SAND

March 6, 2020

Back then a lot of the stores and shops I went to did not have many campaign buttons. The biggies for collectors were still stamps and coins. But I did find a few which seemed to have great sources for campaign items - mostly buttons. They became frequent stops and even involved phone calls back and forth. My best source of new additions was a junk shop on Bergen Street in Newark, New Jersey. It's long gone now but it was a huge part of my early collecting activities. At that time the interest in politicals was growing but still relatively small. I got to know the store owners and learned

a great deal about their businesses, as well as more about collecting. One of the things I remember was that store owner's pricing: picture pins were \$2.00-\$4.00 depending on size and word pins were \$1.00-\$2.00, again depending on size. I still have the first pin I acquired: an 1896 William McKinley button (picture, right) which cost me \$3.50 back then. It's fairly common today but very important to me, similar perhaps to Walt Disney's Uncle Scrooge and his first dime". (I also have an almost complete collection of Uncle Scrooge comic books).

The problem these days is remembering what I have and what I don't. I used to remember every item in my collection, where I obtained it, and most of the time how much it cost. At this point I can usually remember "Yes, I have it", or "No, don't have that one". But more often than not a piece will turn up and I just can't picture it in one of my frames or riker mounts. In some of those instances I will acquire that pin and guess what? I then have an unwanted duplicate. So I take photos and bring them to shows with me. It helps many times, but not every time. Welcome to my personal "New Frontier".

Comparing items from the 19th Century and 20th Centuries as well as so far in the 21st, I can see the changes in types of pins, quality, colors, and so many other things that change from the previous versions. So that's how I got to here from the beginning. The pins, posters, pennants, etc. let me hold pieces of history in my hand. Every single item has a story behind it. However, I've always stuck to one very important thing. It's the people I've met, the places I've gone to collectibles shows, and most importantly, the friends and extended family members I've gained. For that I will be eternally grateful.

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PRESIDENTS BORN IN MAY HARRY S TRUMAN MAY 8, 1884 **JOHN F KENNEDY MAY 29, 1917**

PRESIDENTIAL HISTORY IN MAY

The month of May holds a number of significant events in U.S. presidential history.

May 1, 1955 Since 1955, every U.S. President has proclaimed May 1 as National Loyalty Day, a day for Americans to raise their flags, pray, and reflect on their heritage, especially those who serve in the military.

May 3, 1940 President Franklin D Roosevelt speaks to over 4,000 Democratic women in Washington, DC. President FDR was known for his support of women's political advocacy.

May 4, 1865 The body of President Lincoln is interred in Springfield, Illinois. He was laid to rest after his funeral train had travelled through seven states for mourners to pay their

May 5, 1961 Alan Shepard became the second man and first American in space when he orbited the Earth in his Freedom 7 spacecraft.

May 7, 1975 President Gerald Ford announced the end of the Vietnam Era, marking the conclusion of the U.S.'s involvement in the Vietnam War.

May 8, 1884 Harry S. Truman is born in Missouri. He would later become 33rd President of the United States after President Franklin D Roosevelt died in office.

May 9, 1914 President Woodrow Wilson issues a presidential proclamation marking second Sunday of every May Mother's Day in the United States. President Wilson said the day would allow Americans to "publicly express our love and reverence for the mothers of our country."

May 10, 1872 Victoria Woodhull became the first woman to run for President in 1872. She was nominated by the Equal Rights Party.

May 11, 1659 The Massachusetts Bay Colony passes a law banning Christmas, forbidding "feasting and similar satanic practices"—with a penalty of five shillings.

May 15, 1800 President John Adams announces that federal government will moved to Washington, DC, the United State's new capital. Philadelphia was previously the country's capital. May 18, 1860 Abraham Lincoln, a U.S. representative from

Illinois, is nominated as Republican presidential candidate. May 22,1802 Martha Washington, the United States' first First Lady, dies on this day at her home in Mount Vernon.

Virginia. She was 70 years old. May 24,1775 John Hancock becomes president of the Second Continental Congress. He is well-known for having the biggest signature on the U.S. Declaration of Independence. His name later became a nickname for a

May 25, 1787 The United States holds its first Constitutional Convention. Delegates including George Washington met four years after the U.S. gained its independence from England to compose a new U.S. Constitution.

May 25, 1961 President John F Kennedy makes space program a priority. The President asked Congress to support his plan to send an American astronaut to the moon by the end of the decade.

May 29, 1917 John Fitzgerald Kennedy is born in this day in Massachusetts. He would later become the U.S. 35th President. Ironically three years earlier on his birthdate, May 29, 1914, the steamship *Empress of Ireland* sank after colliding with a coal carrier. The irony lies in the fact that JFK loved Ireland, was proud of being Irish, and was born on the same date as that vessel which was named after the country was lost. Just a coincidence? Maybe.

THE APIC CALENDAR

51st Monroe D. Ray Show May 3, 2025

Come join us in Geneva, New York, in the heart of the Come join us in Geneva, New York, in the heart of the Finger Lakes to make it another memorable event. This is the third this year in Geneva, NY. The show will run from 3:30am to 2:00pm at the Sons and Daughters of Italy Lodge, 31 Prospect Avenue, Geneva,



Dealer tables will be \$25.00 each (cheapest in the hobby). Admission will be free. For table reservations and additional information, please contact Anthony Noone by phone at (315) 651-8313 or by email at noone.anthony21@gmail.com. We look forward to seeing you there!

Come to the New Orleans Political Collecting Meet

May 3, 2025

The New Orleans Political Collecting Meet-Up will gather with fellow collectors at a local coin shop where we will sell and tgrade items



from our collectors. Gulf South Coins, 5101 West Esplanade Avenue, Metrari Louisiana, 70006. For more infor-

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Saturday, 9:00am to :00pm at the Delta by Marriott, Wick Road, loom 31500 Romulus, MI. Room reservations (734) 721-3315. Room rate: 3114.00.

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For reservations call (734) 721-3315. Friday May 9: Room hopping, Reception at 6:30pm, and auction at 7:00pm. Dealer tables: 1/\$60.00, 2/\$110.00, 3/\$150.00, and

Contact Ken Hosner at 5692 Comstock Avenue, Kalamazoo, Michigan, 49048. Phone (269) 345-5983. Email *mrbuttons1864@charter.net*.

Bandwagon Extravaganza

June, 6-7, 2025. The show will again be held in Grantville, PA at the Holiday Inn, 604 Station Rd., Grantville. Phone 717-469-0661. Exit 80 on I-81. (Group rate is \$134/nite) Friday, June 6, Noon-8:00pm & Saturday,



June 7, 9am to 1pm. The 2-Day Bourse Returns! A Premiere Silent Auction will be held for high quality items (starting bids at \$200,00.) Auction preview from 5:00-6:30pm. Sellers - 10% of starting bid per item inserted.

The bourse will be open during the Premiere Silent Auction. No buyer's premium. Send IMAGES ONLY. Do not send items bring them to the show. For any special needs call Jeannine at (717) 656-7855.

Items will be advertised in the April and May Bandwagon.

Send pictures of your items with complete descriptions to POLBANDWGN@AOL.COM

For table reservations contact Jeannine Coup a polbandwgn@aol.com

There will also be silent auctions during show hours. Sellers: only \$5.00/item inserted. starting bids as low as \$10.00. No buyer's premium.

FROM THE PRESIDENT



One of the most common questions I get from members, especially when I travel to APIC shows across the country is 'what are we doing to attract younger members to our hobby?' The answer is – we are doing a lot!

Perhaps the most interesting is the Youth Enrichment Committee, which is led by Barbara Zaczek (barbarazaczek@yahoo.com). As committee, that group has arranged for many kids age 16 and younger to receive a free annual membership, which includes both the Keynoter and the Political Bandwagon in print, member access to a range of resources on APIC.org, printed glossary about pinback collecting created by Ted Hake and a free starter kit with about two dozen political buttons and other ephemera dating back to Calvin Coolidge.

As they've aged, several of those kids have transitioned to fully paid adult members, and we hope that many more will follow.

In addition to this effort, the Committee gets busy at every APIC national convention by creating bags of buttons that are given free to every potential youth member who attends. A range of current APIC members from across the country have donated buttons to this effort, with Mort Berkowitz responsible for donating more than 3,000 buttons over the past few years.

Committee members (Tom Morton, John Olsen, Mark Gelke, Mason St. Clair and Roger Van Sickle) continually search for new ways to attract youth members, and have identified several that they have been implemented or are being explored.

For example, Mason (right) worked closely with Sean Solomon to launch a new program this year in which the age of our youth membership has been raised to 25 without any increase in cost to teen and young adult members. Instead, anyone between the ages



of 17 and 25 can still join at the youth membership rate of \$16 and donors will cover the difference between that cost and our \$42 regular membership rate. It's one way to help promising collectors join without squeezing their budget.

Another effort asks local show managers to encourage dealers at their shows to offer free buttons to kids who attend. That's been a longstanding practice at many local shows nationwide, and it's gaining popularity at additional shows as more kids start to attend. At the annual Titusville show, we welcome several teens each year who have been getting free buttons at the show since they were children.

Finally, one very popular program APIC offers is our annual Smithsonian internship to a deserving college student. That internship was last offered in 2019 and unfortunately has been on hiatus ever since due to Covid and several other

But I've had many calls over the past two months with curators and administrators at the Smithsonian, and I'm cautiously optimistic that the internship will return this the internship will return this



I'm looking forward to sharing more about that ffort once those details have been finalized fingers crossed).

In the meantime, if you know of a child or teen who has an interest in political history and would like an APIC membership and a free bag of buttons to kickstart their collecting, please contact Barb or me and we'll get them signed up.

Got a show or meeting coming up? Send details ASAP: APIC NEWSLETTER, P.O. Box 922, Clark NJ 07066 or email heg1@verizon.net. And don't forget a post-show summary afterward. HG

No U.S. President Has Ever Died in May and Other Weird Trivia About Presidential Lives

Presidential lives are scrutinized for meaning, even when none is readily apparent. From the Smithsonian Magazine by Kat Eschner

Presidents are people too. Like the rest of us, their lives are finite. But unlike most people, the details of a presidential life are obsessively recorded and analyzed by everyone from staff to historians. With this much attention, people are bound to see patterns. Some of them probably don't mean much, but they can feel meaningful. Take these examples, which just might help you win your next game of trivia:

June and July are the months that have seen the most presidential deaths.

More than one third of presidential deaths have taken place in the summer, writes Eric Ostermeier, "including 12 of the first 22 men to serve in the

Six presidents have died in June, including three Jameses (Buchanan, Madison and Polk), Andrew Jackson, Grover Cleveland and Ronald Reagan. Seven have died in July, including Thomas Jefferson, the third President of the United States, and John Adams, the second. The day they both died

Exactly fifty years after the Declaration of Independence was signed, the two men, who were 83 (Jefferson) and 92 (Adams) respectively, both died of old age-related ailments. Supposedly, Adams's last words were "Jefferson still survives." Although this is a poignant epithet, particularly because the men fought for years and only reconciled in old age, Jefferson had, in fact, predeceased him by five full hours.

Five years later to the day, James Monroe died, on July 4, 1831. No president has ever died in May and only two were born in that month

Only Harry Truman and John F. Kennedy were born in May: the most common presidential birth month is October. John Adams, Teddy Roosevelt, Jimmy Carter and the little-remembered Chester Arthur were all born then.

President's Day celebrates the February birth of two presidents: founder George Washington and (in many states) Abraham Lincoln. William Henry Harrison and Ronald Reagan share their birth month.

Presidential birthdays have been a big part of American cultural history

From FDR's January birthday bashes that started March of Dimes to JFK's 1962 blowout featuring Marilyn Monroe in the memorable role of chanteuse, presidential birthdays have made an impact on American culture.

Sometimes, though, presidents celebrate their birthday on otherwise-momentous occasions, Fitzgerald writes. On November 2, 1920, Warren Harding was elected president as he turned 55. On May 8, 1945, Harry Truman turned 61 as Germany surrendered, helping to end World War II. "As the rest of the U.S. celebrated V-E day, Truman shared a cake with secretaries, aides and close friends," she writes.

Kat Eschner is a freelance science and culture journalist based in Toronto.

The Smithsonian Magazine has published an unending parade of articles, stories, features and trivia about our American Presidents. Check out some of the topics at https://www.smithsonianmag.com/ tag/american-presidents/?page=1 through https://www.smithsonianmag.com/tag/americanpresidents/?page=22.



The Smithsonian Institution Building (right), more commonly known as the Smithsonian Castle or simply The Castle, is a building on the National Mall housing the Smithsonian Institution's administrative offices and information center.

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DID YOU KNOW? 1851 MAY 29 "Ain't I A Woman?"

Sojourner Truth delivered a powerful speech on African American women's rights. At the Ohio Women's Rights Convention, on May 29, 1851, the formerly enslaved woman Sojourner Truth rose to speak and assert her right to equality as a woman, as well as a Black American. Sojourner Truth became an outspoken advocate for abolition, temperance, and civil and women's rights in the nineteenth century. Her Civil War work earned her an invitation to meet President Abraham Lincoln at the White House in 1864.

Sojourner Truth (1797-1883) "Ain't I A Woman?" Delivered at the 1851 Women's Convention, Akron, Ohio

Well, children, where there is so much racket there must be something out of kilter. I think that 'twixt the negroes of the South and the women at the North, all talking about rights, the white men will be in a fix pretty soon. But what's all this here talking about?

That man over there says that women need to be helped into carriages, and lifted over ditches, and to have the best place everywhere. Nobody ever helps me into carriages, or over mud-puddles, or gives meany best place! And ain't I a woman? Look at me! Look at my arm! I have ploughed and planted, and gathered into barns, and no man could head me! And ain't I a woman? I could work as much and eat as much as a man - when I could get it - and bear the lash as well! And ain't I a woman? I have borne thirteen children, and seen most all sold off to slavery, and when I cried out with my mother's grief, none but Jesus heard me! And ain't I a woman?

Then they talk about this thing in the head; what's this they call it? [member of audience whispers "intellect"] That's it, honey. What's that got to do with women's rights or negroes' rights? If my cup won't hold but a pint, and yours holds a quart, wouldn't you be mean not to let me have my little half measure

Then that little man in black there, he says women can't have as much rights as men, 'cause Christ wasn't a woman! Where did your Christ come from? Where did your Christ come from? From God and a woman! Man had nothing to do with

If the first woman God ever made was strong enough to turn the world upside down all alone, these women together ought to be able to turn it back, and get it right side up again! And now they is asking to do it, the men better let them.

Obliged to you for hearing me, and now old Sojourner ain't got nothing more to

Source: Internet Modern History Sourcebook, Fordham University http://www.fordham.edu/halsall/mod/sojtruth-woman.asp https://www.womenshistory.org/education-resources/biographies/sojourner-truth

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MAY 9-10, 2025 - 57th ANNUAL POLITICAL POP CULTURE SHOW Sat. 9am-3pm at the Delta Hotel by Marriot, 31500 Wick Rd. Romulus, Ml. Room reservations: (734) 721-3315. Room rate: \$114. Fri., May 9: Room hopping, Reception @ 6:30pm, and Auction @ 7pm. Dealer tables: 1/\$60, 2/\$110. 3/\$150, 4/\$180. Contact Ken Hosner, 5692 Comstock Ave, Kalamazoo, MI 49048, (269) 345-5983 or email mrbuttons1964@charter.net. (See our ad on pg 3)

JUNE 6-7, 2025 BANDWAGON EXTRAVAGANZA, POLITICAL & HISTORICAL MEMORABILIA SHOW, Fri 6/6 & Sat 6/7 at the Holiday Inn, 604 Station Rd, Grantville, PA 17028. Located at EXIT 80 ON I-81. Group room rate: \$134 per night. Room reservations: Call the hotel at 717-469-0661. Thur room hopping. Dealer tables: \$70/wall table; \$65/interior table. NEW

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Memorial Day (May 26, 2025) A time of remembrance for those who lost their lives while serving in the US military. Many memorials and monuments in national parks allow reflection on military service and sacrifice throughout our nation's history. It is also traditionally a time to reflect on American values by learning about our natural and cultural heritage, visiting historic places, and enjoying the great outdoors. https://www.abmc.gov/event/memorial-day-2025/

"The name of American, which belongs to you, in your national capacity, must always exalt the just pride of Patriotism, more than any appellation derived from local discriminations. With the slight shades of difference, you have the same religion, manners, habits, and political principles. You have THIS YEAR we are hosting a Premiere Silent Auction in common cause fought and triumphed together, the Independence and Liberty you possess are the work of Friday evening. Watch the Bandwagon for updates. joint counsels, and joint efforts, of common dangers, sufferings, and success." George Washington

JOHN QUINCY ADAMS: FIGHTER FOR FREEDOM

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President J.Q. Adams: Highly Important From-life Quarter Plate Daguerreotype Image, Taken at the Washington, D.C. Studio of John Plumbe in 1846. This significant image is believed to have been taken on February 14, 1846, as documented in Adams' diary entry. He writes that he posed for two portraits that "a full face and a profile, both quite successful." Plumbe was one of the most prominent photographers of the day, and was apparently esteemed so by Adams, as he sat for Plumbe on four different occasions- in 1842 in Boston, and in 1846 in the Washington studio. The whereabouts of the profile portrait were unknown until the discovery of this image in a Paris antiques market. The location is unsurprising as Adams, a former diplomat, had many connections in Europe, and could well have presented this image to one of them.

Early from-life hard images of U.S. presidents are extremely rare and sought-after, and Adams was the earliest president to have been photographed. We note the recent sale of a half-plate daguerreotype of J. Q. Adams by a New York auction house for a record price of \$360,500. That photo, taken by Phillip Haas in 1843, was represented as the earliest known photographic portrait of a U.S. president. The daguerreotype offered here, while perhaps not the earliest, is certainly among the earliest, and the discovery of this fine, well documented and hitherto unknown profile image is unquestionably a momentous development in the history of American presidential images.

2017 December 2 Americana & Political Grand Format Auction - Dallas #6180 / Lot #43011. Sold on Dec 2, 2017 for: \$31,250.00. HeritageAuctions.com

the table without discussion." The resolution passed. This was a sweeping 'gag rule' that was renewed every session for the next eight years.

However, tying to gag rule to a larger Constitutional rights issue was a trap for the South. Using the gag rule only against the slavery question gave the abolitionists and Constitutionalists a common issue on which to stand together.

Adam immediately protested, saying, "I hold the resolution to be a direct violation of the Constitution of the United States, of the rules of this House, and of the rights of my constituents."

John Quincy then took on the entire House in one of the wildest, most bizarre struggles in congressional history. He resorted to every trick to break the gag rule and bring the slavery issue to the floor He used titbit speeches which were so short, and he gave them so quickly, that "though they were out of order nobody could call him to order quickly enough, and when they did he would say, "My speech is done!"

When presenting a petition he would refuse to tell the Speaker what it was about. Sometimes as the Speaker called him to order, and representatives were screaming to "sit down and shut your mouth', he would simply raise his own high-pitched squeaky voice above them all. In 1837 he read a petition from a group of female slaves from Virginia. The House rose in an uproar. Never before had a petition from a slave been heard. The House screamed that Adams destroying the Union" and he should be arrested for inciting a riot.

This verbal debate went on for three days. When the Speaker of the House finally allowed Adams to stand and speak, he announced "the petition had nothing to do with freedom." The slaves were petitioning the government to protect them from the Abolitionists "lest their welfare by harmed." Historian Lawrence Lader wrote, "It remains the best and most effective practical joke in the history of Congress."

Things changed when William Henry Harrison became the first Whig president in 1840.

The House came under Whig control. This seemed to bring the petition struggle to a climax. There was absolutely nothing the Whigs and Adams could agree on and the Whigs wanted Adams out of Congress.. They shouted at him when he rose to speak on any subject, forcing him to sit down again. Congressmen called him names, in Congress, in the hallways and in the street. They said he lied and insulted him continuously. But John Quincy was made of sturner stuff. He fought back. He spoke up in Congress. " see where your shoe pinches, Mr. Speaker, and I wil pinch (it) more yet."

John Q. Adams was so passionate about the right to petition that he seemed to make a mistake by reading a petition from Haverhill, Massachusettes, probably written by the poet and peace activist John Greenleaf Whittier. The petition "prayed for the peaceable dissolution of the Union." No other members "cried out in protest and demanded Adams



Hand-Colored Original Papers for "Pewter Rim" Badges for he 1828 Candidates, John Quincy Adams and Andrew Jackson. While these sheets with both images show up from time to time, this is the first hand-colored example we have encountered. Apparently this item never went into production, because we the peaceable dissolution of the Union." No other petition had ever gone this far before. The House from this tough early election. 8" x 3.75" Heritage Auctions

be censured." He'd read one petition too many. Now he was in the fight for his political life. Adams was 75 years old. His hands shook so hard he could barely write. His voice was wearing out and he coughed constantly. But now he rose to the challenge. John Quincy became the one man symbol of the struggle against slavery and for freedom of speech

During the battle for freedom of speech and petition, and as he fought against his censure trial, he found new supporters and allies. Newspapers across the country, especially in the northeast, reported his daily struggles in Congress. Petitions against his censure poured into the House. His support reached far beyond his support for anti-slavery. In what seemed the most desperate moment of his career Adams reached the zenith of his political power and popularity. It took only two weeks for him to refute all claims the Whigs threw at him during the centure trial.

Congressman John Quincy Adams forced the government of the United States to adhere to the Constitution in the fight for freedom of speech and the right to petition. For the first time in our government's short history, Adams brought to the forefront the problems of owning slaves and the right of the Federal government to instruct states with certain laws. He was the last of the Revolutionary War brotherhood to bring to the Federal government the ideals on which our country was founded.

The Whig Party tired of fighting with John Quincy and saw no new way to bring him down. Adams informed Congress he would use the entire next week for his defense. The whole of government shuddered at the thought. The Whigs could not face another week of Adams controlling the agenda of Congress. A motion to table the censure was quickly passed. The South recognized the significance of the defeat. They realized the debate over slavery would continue both in the public and in Congress.

John Quincy Adams restored the sanctity of freedom of speech to our young country, which is today one of the country's quintessensial core vital principles. He also cemented the right of petition, the right to directly speak to our government to address grievances.

Our Founding Fathers insisted on these and other rights, standing up to King George III, who did not agree that any of his subjects were entitlted to them, leading in short order to the Revolutionary War. John Quincy was adamant that our young government not take away any of the precious rights we fought for during the Revolution and enshrined in the Constitution. He chose to risk his life, health and reputation to stand up for them and the people. These rights are even more precious to all of us today.

Margaret A. Hogan, Former Managing Editor, The Adams Family Papers, Massachusetts Historical Society, "John Quincy Adams: Life Before The Presidency." https://millercenter.org/president/jaadams/life-before-the-presidence



John Quincy Adams: Thread Box. Issued in 1828, this highly-colorful thread box touts John Quincy Adams as the "People's Choice". These desirable 3-dimensional campaign items come in a variety of shapes, sizes and designs. The more desirable ones are covered, like this one, in rainbow-colored paper and gold trim. This one is unusual in that it has tapered walls. It measures 5" x 3 1/2" x 2". The pincushion lid originally had a green

wreath and red rose stenciled decoration (theoremstyle), which has worn away. The orange slogan is worn, but legible. The inside of the box contains an engraving of Adams under glass, under the lid. The lid is detached, as usual, as are the two silk ribbons used to hold the lid in place. Surprisingly, there is very little wear to the box itself. Overall, the condition is way above average. Sold on Dec 11, 2012 for: \$1,135.25. Heritage Auctions



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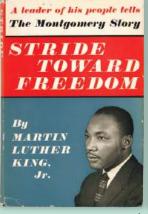
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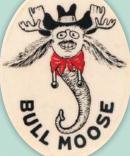




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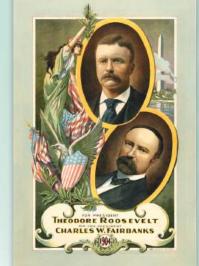
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