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WHITE HOUSE PETS

By Harvey Goldberg

Most United States Presidents have kept pets while in office, or pets have been part of their families. Only James K. Polk, Andrew Johnson, and Donald Trump did not have any presidential pets while in office (to date). However, President Andrew Johnson did take care of some mice he found in his bedroom. Presidents and their families have typically liked animals. Creatures from mice to bears and many different animals in between have been at home in the White House and on its grounds. The Presidential Pet Museum tells us the White House has hosted more than 340 animals throughout our nation's history. It's a great reminder that Presidents are people too!

In addition to traditional pets, a number of the "pets" owned by some of the presidents included animals normally considered livestock or working animals, but because of their close association with presidents or their families, they were considered to be pets. Presidents have often been given exotic animals from foreign officials that are occasionally kept, but more often they have been quickly donated to a zoo. Here are notable details from administrations of our Chief Executives over the years. (The pets' names are provided where known).

The first White House dog to receive regular newspaper coverage was Warren G. Harding's dog Laddie Boy. Pets also featured in presidential elections. Herbert Hoover got a "Belgian Police Dog" (Belgian Malinois), King Tut, during his campaign and pictures of him with his new dog were sent all across the United States. Theodore Roosevelt was known for having 33 pets in the White House. He had six children who owned pets including snakes, dogs, cats, a badger, birds, and guinea pigs.

In 1943, MGM had made a short-subject film relating the World War II home front story from Fala's perspective. The studio made a second installment in 1946 after FDR's death that included Fala's tour of Hyde Park, the Roosevelt family estate, and future site of a presidential library

In 1944, Franklin D. Roosevelt was running for his fourth term when rumors

surfaced that his Scottish Terrier, Fala, had accidentally been left behind when visiting the Aleutian Islands. After allegedly sending back Navy warships to rescue his dog, Roosevelt was ridiculed and accused of spending thousands of taxpayers' dollars to retrieve his dog. At a speech following this Roosevelt said, "You can criticize me, my wife and my family, but you can't criticize my little dog. He's Scottish and all these allegations about spending all this money have just made his little soul furious." What was later called the "Fala speech" reportedly helped gain re-election for Roosevelt.

Richard Nixon was accused of hiding a secret slush fund during his candidacy for vice president under Dwight D. Eisenhower in 1952. He gave the televised "Checkers speech" (named after his cocker spaniel), denying he had a slush fund but admitting, "There is one thing that I did get as a gift that I'm not going to give back." The gift was a black-and-white cocker spaniel, Checkers, that had been given to his daughters. Although there had been talk of Nixon being dropped from the ticket, following his speech he received an increase in support and Mamie Eisenhower reportedly recommended he stay because he was "such a warm person."

President Lyndon B. Johnson caused controversy when he was photographed lifting his beagles, named Him and Her, by their ears. Some did not understand the controversy; former president Harry S. Truman said, "What the hell are the critics complaining about; that's how you handle hounds." Him died after he was run over by the presidential limousine.

Bill Clinton moved into the White House with Socks, a tuxedo cat, who in 1991 was reported to have jumped into the arms of Chelsea Clinton after piano lessons while the Clintons were living in Little Rock, Arkansas. He was later joined in 1997 during Clinton's second term, by Buddy, a Labrador Retriever.

The two pets reportedly did not get along. President Clinton later said "I did better with the Palestinians and the Israelis than I've done with Socks and Buddy". The two pets became the subject of a book, "Dear Socks, Dear Buddy: Kids' Letters to the First Pets" written by First Lady Hillary Clinton, which appeared as cartoons in the kids' section of the then new White House website.

While George W. Bush was president, he had three dogs and a cat at the White House. Among the canines were Spot Fetcher, an English Springer Spaniel and the offspring of George H. W. Bush's dog, Millie. This made Spot the first animal to live in the White House under two different administrations, having been born there in 1989. He passed away there in 2004.

President G.W. Bush, along with his Scottish Terrier Barney, adopted new technology. The "Barney Cam," introduced by the White House, was incredibly effective at drawing in an online audience. A dog's-eye perspective of holiday celebrations captivated viewers, which was a first at the time and preceded the surge of GoPro and TikTok content. Barney's presence made politics more enjoyable and served as a reminder that even somber institutions can benefit from occasional fun. After his presidency he took up painting. Shown here is the painting GW did of Barney.

Barack and Michelle Obama were without pets prior to the 2008 election, but promised their daughters they

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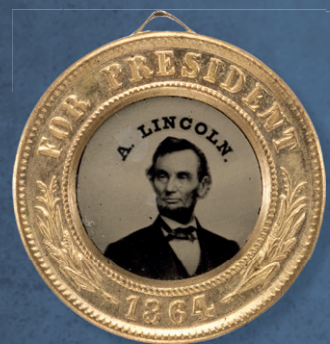
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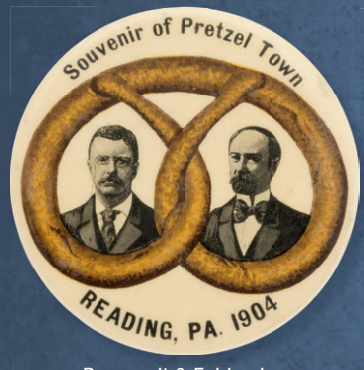
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could get a dog when the family moved into the White House. Their family addition was Bo, a Portuguese Water Dog, (Malia Obama's allergies required a hypoallergenic pet. The puppy was a gift from Senator Ted Kennedy and was later joined by Sunny, a female of the same breed. Bo was featured in the 2010 children's book *"Of Thee I Sing: A Letter to My Daughters"*, written by President Obama.

Joe and Jill Biden moved into the White House with two German Shepherds named Champ and Major. Major was the first shelter dog in the White House, while Champ rejoined the Biden family in D.C. (the dog's had been their pet during Joe Biden's time as vice-president. Unfortunately, their longtime pet died in June 2021. So, in December of that year, the Bidens accepted the gift of a pedigreed German Shepherd puppy named Commander (from Joe Biden's brother). The Bidens had also promised they would get a cat, and they did so in January 2022 by adding a two-year-old gray tabby named Willow to the family.

Starting from the beginning, George Washington had 9 pets: 8 dogs and 1 bird (named Snipe) who was Martha's parrot. John Adams had 3 dogs (Juno, Mark, and Satan) and First Lady Louisa Adams raised silkworms in the White House. President Jefferson also had three pets - a mockingbird named Dick and dogs Grizzle & Bergere. Explorers Lewis and Clark gifted Jefferson two grizzly bear cubs. He initially kept them in a cage on the White House lawn before donating them to a museum.

James Madison had only one pet - a parrot named Polly. His successor, James Monroe, also had only one - a cocker spaniel (name unknown). John Quincy Adams was 'pet-less' in the White House, but Andrew Jackson also had a parrot whose name was Poll (not Polly).

The definite 'no pet presidents' included James K. Polk, Andrew Johnson, and Donald Trump. However, several presidents were listed in the "none" category but additional research inferred that they did have pets during their terms as president: Martin Van Buren, William Henry Harrison, Zachary Taylor, and Millard Fillmore. In 1837, for example, the Sultan of Oman gave President Martin Van Buren two tiger cubs as a diplomatic gift. But Congress advised Van Buren to send the cubs to a zoo which he quickly did.

John Tyler had a dog named Le Beau and a canary named Johnny Ty. Franklin Pierce (2 birds and 2 dogs), James Buchanan (2 dogs - Punch & Laura); he turned a bald eagle he received as a gift over to a zoo.

In a gesture of friendliness between the two countries, King Mongkut [Siam] sent two gifts to President Buchanan during the last month of his administration—a sword and a photograph of the King with one of his children. In an accompanying letter, dated February 14, 1861, King Mongkut said that he had heard that the United States had no elephants. As a remedy, he offered a gift of elephants—several pairs of them—that could be "turned loose in forests and increase till there be large herds." The elephants would be useful in the unsettled parts of the United States, he continued, "since elephants being animals of great size and strength can bear burdens and travel through uncleared woods and matted jungles where no carriage and cart roads have yet been made." President Buchanan's successor, Abraham Lincoln, responded to the extraordinary offer. In a letter dated February 3, 1862, he graciously accepted the sword and photograph from the King but politely declined the elephants, explaining that the geography and climate of the United States do not "favor the multiplication of the elephant." (<https://www.archives.gov/press/press-releases/1999/nr99-122>)

In 1855, President Pierce gave a Japanese spaniel to his Secretary of War Jefferson Davis, who would become the president of the Confederacy.

Abraham Lincoln (5 pets: dogs Fido & Jip, cats Tabby & Dixie, and an unnamed rabbit). They had pet goats, Nanny and Nanko, who rode in the presidential carriage with him. The Lincolns also had a turkey. In 1863, ten-year-old Tad Lincoln befriended a turkey sent to the White House for a holiday feast. He named the bird Jack and treated him as a pet. As Christmas day approached, Tad realized it would soon be time to prepare the turkey for Christmas dinner. The young lad burst into a cabinet meeting in tears and pleaded with his father to pardon the bird from the "executioner." Recent presidential speeches cite this historic anecdote as the basis for the modern-day turkey pardoning photo-op at Thanksgiving. According to Dr. Neil Gale, Ph.D.:

Tad kept Jack for another year, and on election day in 1864, Abraham Lincoln spotted the bird among soldiers lining up to vote. Lincoln playfully asked his son if the turkey would be voting too, and Tad answered, "O, no; he isn't of age yet." (*Dr. Neil Gale, Ph.D., 12/28/2016, Abraham Lincoln Loved Cats, Dogs, Goats, a Pig, a Turkey, and his Horse of course.*)

According to Dr. Gale, writing for the Digital Research Library of Illinois History Journal:

Abraham Lincoln's law partner in Springfield, Illinois, William Herndon, noted that "Mr. Lincoln himself was a compassionate man, and hence, in dealing with others, he avoided wounding their hearts or puncturing their sensibility. He was unusually considerate of the feelings of other men, regardless of their rank, condition or station." Mr. Lincoln was even more considerate of children and animals.

When Abraham Lincoln was elected President, he was given an unexpected gift of two kittens from Secretary of State William Seward in August of 1861. The President doted on the cats, which he named Tabby and Dixie, so much so that he once fed Tabby from the table during a formal dinner at the White House.

Embarrassed by Abe's action, Mary Todd Lincoln told him it was "shameful in front of their guests." The President replied, "If the dog



fork was good enough for former President James Buchanan, I think it is good enough for Tabby."

Lincoln's friend Caleb Carman recalled how the President would pick up one of the cats and "talk to it for half an hour at a time." The cats apparently won the President over with their quiet adoration.

At one point during his first term, Lincoln said in frustration, "Dixie is smarter than my whole cabinet! And... furthermore... she doesn't talk back!"

Lincoln had a particular affinity for stray cats and occasionally brought them home. Mrs. Lincoln even referred to cats as "my husband's hobby."

When visiting her father and stepmother in Kentucky, Mary told her husband by mail that their son Eddy had taken up "your hobby" by adopting a stray kitten.

At General Ulysses S. Grant's headquarters in City Point, Virginia, during the siege of Petersburg in March 1865 (just weeks before his assassination), the enormous task of reuniting the country lay ahead with the Civil War drawing to a close. Lincoln found his attention distracted by the sound of mewing kittens. Lincoln noticed three stray kittens in the telegraph hut. Admiral David Porter wrote later that he was struck by the sight of the President "tenderly caressing three stray kittens. It well illustrated the kindness of the man's disposition and showed the childlike simplicity mingled with his nature's grandeur." Porter recalled that Lincoln stroked the cat and whispered, "Kitties, thank God you're cats and can't understand this terrible strife that is going on." Before leaving a meeting in the officers' tent that day, Lincoln turned to a colonel and said, "I hope you will see that these poor little motherless waifs are given plenty of milk and treated kindly."

All of this was followed by U.S. Grant's two dogs (Faithful and Rosie). President Hayes housed eight dogs and three cats, one of which was the first Siamese cat in the U.S... James Garfield had only one pet - a dog named Veto. President Chester Arthur was another one-pet president, with only an unnamed rabbit. Grover Cleveland had 5 pets during his two terms as president: 3 dogs, two named Hector & Gallager along with three other dogs whose names are unknown. Benjamin Harrison brought his four pets to share the White House: a dog (Dash), a goat (Whiskers), and two possums (Reciprocity and Protection). President McKinley had a parrot named Loretta and two cats (Weyler and DeLome).



Coming to more recent presidents, Theodore Roosevelt (left) and his family had more pets than any other President of the United States. There were a dozen dogs, five guinea pigs, two ponies, a lizard, a hen, macaw, and a garter snake. Added to these creatures were a small black bear, a rat, a badger, pig, a rabbit, a laughing hyena, a lion, and a rooster, and something called 'a barn own'. That's 33 pets! We'll pass on the names.



President Taft had two cows which he named Mooly Wooly and Miss Wayne, and a dog named Caruso. He brought his cow Mooly Wooly with him to Washington. When Mooly Wooly died, another bovine soon entered the picture: Pauline Wayne, often called the "Queen of the Capital Cows" was a 1,500-pound 4-year-old Holstein, whose job was to provide milk and butter for the First Family. Pauline Wayne freely grazed on the White House lawn and quickly became a national celebrity. According to the Presidential Pet Museum:

Until the late 19th century, cows were commonplace at the White House, since Washington, D.C. had no dairy or milk delivery companies. Our 27th president, Taft, was one of the last presidents to keep a cow on the White House grounds.

Pauline Wayne was a gift from Senator Isaac Stephenson of Wisconsin, selected from the many purebred cows on his farm. Pauline arrived at the White House in a big crate and in good condition considering her journey from Kenosha, Wisconsin by train.

A group of White House employees met the cow at Union Station and accompanied her to the stables and to the grassy area near the State, War and Navy Building (now known as the Eisenhower Executive Office Building).

Pauline's arrival made the Nov. 4, 1910 edition of *The New York Times*, which reported that Pauline was estimated to yield 7.5 gallons of milk each day. (By 1911, Pauline was reportedly producing 16 gallons of milk a day, though some reports put the figure at a more conservative 8 gallons.)

In addition, the *Times* said Pauline would soon be giving birth. The calf, named Big Bill because of his size, was born a few days later and went off to live in Maryland.

She became a popular show piece at the International Dairymen's Exposition in Milwaukee in 1911, and her milk was sold in tiny souvenir bottles for 50 cents each to her fans. (Yes, you, too, could have drunk the president's cow's milk, for the right price.)

In an odd series of events, the cow somehow got lost on the way to the dairy show — and "narrowly escaped death" in a slaughterhouse, according to several

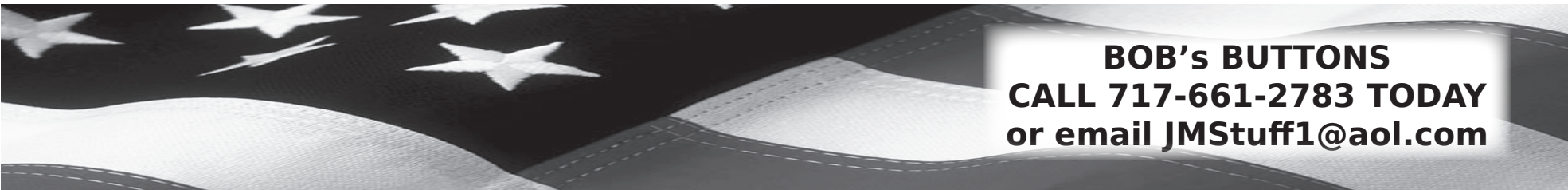


Lincoln's cat "Tabby"



Lincoln's cat "Dixie"

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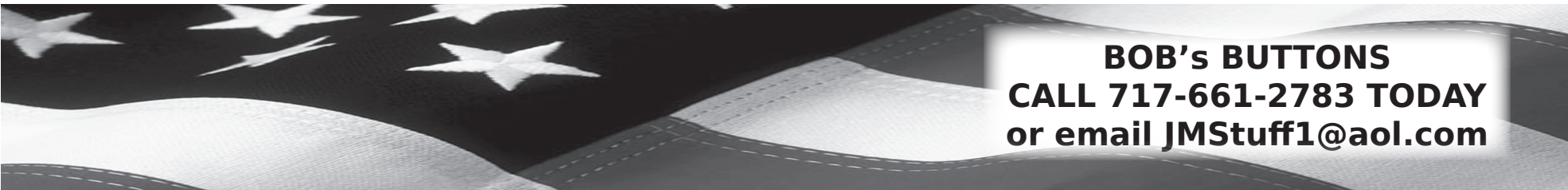
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309-\$4.00 Lieberman for VP 2000 rwb/y

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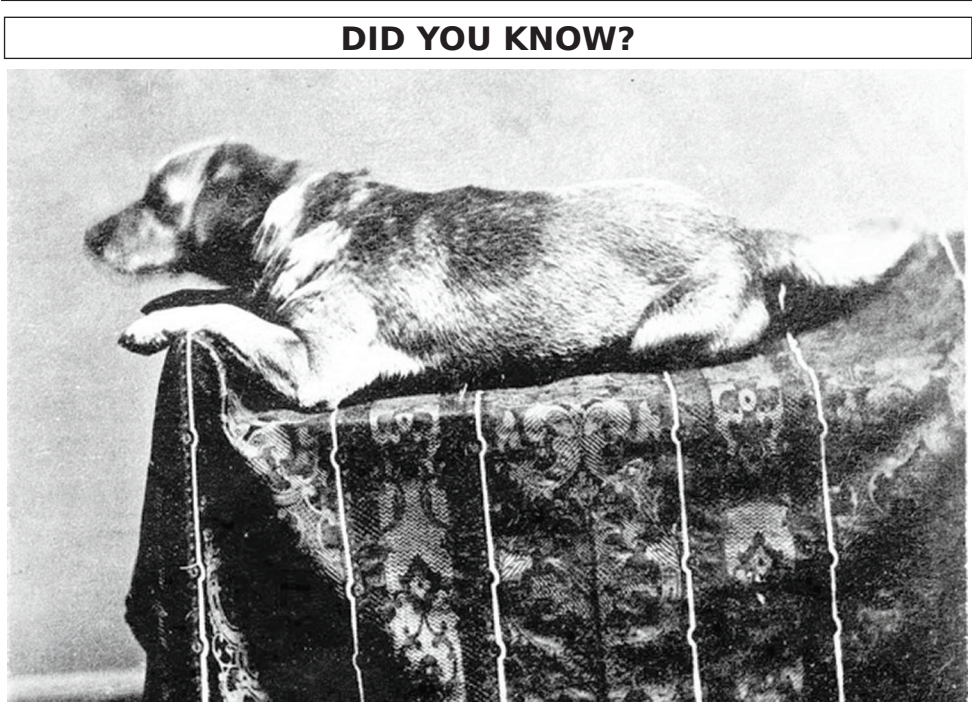
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John and Frank Roll, two neighborhood boys, promised to care for Fido. Mr. Lincoln made them promise to let Fido inside the house whenever he scratched at the front door, never scolded Fido for entering the house with muddy paws, and fed him if he came to the dinner table. The Lincolns gave the boys the roll pillows from their sofa so Fido would feel at home! Did you know "Fido" is Latin? Fido is from "Fidelitas," which translates as "Faithful."

Fido outlived President Lincoln but came to a similarly tragic end in 1866. Fido was exceedingly friendly and had a habit of showing his congeniality by depositing his muddy forepaws plump on the breast of anyone who addressed him familiarly. His excessive friendliness eventually caused his death in a very unique way, in that Fido suffered the fate of his master—assassination.

So there was Charlie Planck, one day in 1866 heavily intoxicated, sitting on a curb, head hanging down. Some accounts say he was whittling a stick. In any event, he was holding a "sharp, long-bladed knife." A friendly yellow dog came up to him, the way it often approached strangers. And it put its muddy forepaws on Charlie Planck. In a blind, drunken rage, Planck drew the knife and plunged it into Fido's chest.

Wounded and whimpering, the most famous dog in Springfield—and in all of America, for that matter—struggled to make his way back home, back to the Roll house, hobbling, hobbling, while blood poured from his chest. But it was too far. He would make it only as far as the Universalist Church on the corner of Fifth and Cook, just three blocks from the Roll mansion.

Fido, mortally wounded, his yellow coat matted with blood, labored to the backside of the church. He curled up tight against the chimney as if to keep warm. And there he died.

Poor old Fido was buried by loving hands in a spot that is kept sacred to this day. Compiled by Neil Gale, Ph.D.

Sources: <https://drloihjournal.blogspot.com/2016/12/abraham-lincolns-cats-dogs-goats-pig.html>

Compiled by Dr. Neil Gale, Ph.D. Wednesday, December 28, 2016
Abraham Lincoln Loved Cats, Dogs, Goats, a Pig, a Turkey, and his Horse of course. and Tuesday, July 28, 2020, The Assassination of Abe Lincoln's Dog, Fido.

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THE FRUGAL COLLECTOR - JAN 2026

By Scott Jasnoch

This month a few pins found on the PME page on Facebook are discussed, it's always a place to find a good bargain!

First up is a 7/8 inch Wilkie cello pin, priced at \$15. The pin features a red, white, and blue design, with "WILLKIE" at the top and "RING IT AGAIN" curved around the bottom, encircling a depiction of the Liberty Bell.

Next is a 3 2/2 inch Goldwater pin, priced at \$12. It features a black and white portrait of Barry Goldwater, with "GOLDWATER" arched above and "IN '64" below his image, all enclosed within a red border.

Although there are some issues with this 1-inch FDR pin. It's still a great get available for \$10. The pin features a blue-toned portrait of Franklin D. Roosevelt in the center. Encircling the portrait, in a red and blue patriotic color scheme, are the words "CARRY ON WITH ROOSEVELT."

It's not everyday you're able to find a 3-inch Kefauver pin, priced at \$12. The pin is bright orange with black text, featuring the name "KEFAUVER" prominently at the top. Below his name, in larger letters, it reads "THE WINNING DEMOCRAT"

This is a 7/8 inch Stassen pin, available for \$10. The pin features a bold design with "STASSEN" written in large yellow letters across a horizontal red band. The top and bottom portions of the pin are yellow, creating a distinct visual.

Till next time.

Auctions on Parade

By Michael McQuillen
HAKE'S #245

This column marks 22 years of my writing a monthly column for The Political Bandwagon. I would like to pause a moment to thank Jeannine Coup for her continued support of me and my efforts. Also, to remember Bob Coup and his commitment to not only this publication but to our hobby as a whole.



& FRANKLIN COLONIAL AMERICAN MAP 10" LIVERPOOL JUG which also brought \$5015.



KENNEDY "I'M GONE FOR JOHN" ICONIC 1960 JFK CAMPAIGN PORTRAIT 3 1/2" BUTTON was in great shape and sold for \$6700. COX ORNATE & RARE 1920 "NOTIFICATION

Recently, Hake's Auctions closed their auction #245 with a great selection of Political Memorabilia and other Americana items. Here we will review many of the items that sold in the \$3700 and up range. ROOSEVELT RARE 1912 PROGRESSIVE 3 1/2" REAL PHOTO BUTTON sold for \$3681. Maybe not grammatically correct, but a "ME AND ROOSEVELT FOR JOHNSON" HISTORIC FDR/LBJ TEXAS COATTAIL 2 1/4" BUTTON with aging was a good buy at \$3689. A COX 1920 BUTTON ON "HOME COUNTY COX CLUB" 1920 BUTLER CO. OHIO RIBBON got to \$3776. (all prices realized include an 18% buyer's premium and are rounded up to the nearest dollar.)

Measuring 1 1/4" was a ROOSEVELT SOUTH DAKOTA SINGLE DAY EVENT 1900 CAMPAIGN ADVERTISING BUTTON which brought \$3935. RARE "VOLUNTEER FOR KENNEDY - JOHNSON VOTE STRAIGHT DEMOCRATIC" BUTTON with a tiny print mark, measuring 3 1/2" ended at \$4090. MCKINLEY & ROOSEVELT IN ROUGH RIDER UNIFORM RARE 1900 EAGLE & FLAGS JUGATE BUTTON rode to an impressive \$4154.

"SMITH FOR PRESIDENT" IMPRESSIVE LARGE 4" 1928 PORTRAIT BUTTON found a new home at \$4366. Rarely found was a ROOSEVELT "CLEAN SWEEP" RARE 1936 PORTRAIT BUTTON which made it to \$5015. JEFFERSON: EXCEPTIONAL WASHINGTON JUG which also brought \$5015.



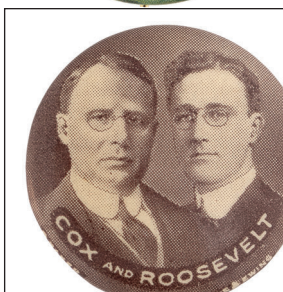
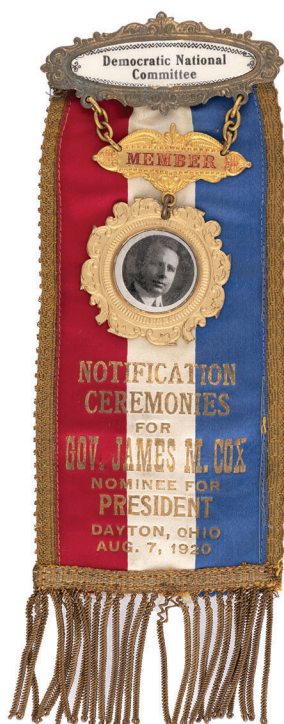
CEREMONIES" RIBBON BADGE ended at \$7009. "BRYAN AND STEVENSON" 1900 RADIATING U.S. CAPITOL JUGATE 1 1/2" BUTTON managed \$7375.

ROOSEVELT "THE MAN OF THE HOUR" RARE 1912 BULL MOOSE 1 3/4" BUTTON on a 3 1/2" ribbon charged to \$8638. "FOR PRESIDENT HARRY S. TRUMAN" RARE 1948 3 1/2" REAL PHOTO SKETCH PORTRAIT BUTTON has not auctioned before to my memory. Here it made \$9735. A little scratch didn't deter bidders who chased a ROOSEVELT & JOHNSON "PROGRESSIVE" BULL MOOSE LIBERTY BELL JUGATE BUTTON to \$10,254.

ROOSEVELT "YOU CAN'T BEAT IT!" RARE ROYAL FLUSH HAND OF CARDS MOTIF 1904 CAMPAIGN BUTTON measuring 1 1/4" was dealt a bid of \$10,514. Teddy Roosevelt was a true star of this auction. The top selling TR of the sale was a ROOSEVELT ON THE ARK EXCEEDINGLY RARE 1910 CARTOON 1 1/4" BUTTON which floated to \$15,576.

Finally, the biggie of the sale in the Political Realm was a "COX AND ROOSEVELT" 1920 JUGATE 7/8" BUTTON - one of the finest known examples ever available in the hobby. When the dust settled, it sold for an eye-popping \$50,740!

Auctions on Parade appears monthly in The Political Bandwagon. I invite readers to write me if they would like to suggest auctions to be reviewed or have any other questions or suggestions. Michael J. McQuillen can be reached by writing him directly at P. O. Box 50022, Indianapolis, Indiana 46250-0022, e-mail: michael@



THE LEGENDARY COX & ROOSEVELT JUGATE

Sold recently on Hake's Auctions was this 7/8" button w/Whitehead & Hoag back paper. Quite simply, this is one of the finest known examples of the legendary Cox & Roosevelt jugate—the undisputed crown jewel of political campaign buttons. This brownstone variety exhibits superb centering, trivial hairline surface wear only seen under magnification, and exceptional construction quality easily grading to NM and being essentially an unimprovable example among the finest extant. Roger Richert Collection.

A note from Hake's Americana Director Scott Mussell: The Cox & Roosevelt jugate occupies a place in the pantheon of collecting legends akin to Action Comics #1, the Honus Wagner T206, or the more recent entry Star Wars Rocket-Firing Boba Fett—an object whose reputation transcends its category. Over the years, we've set record prices for five of the eight known varieties, with the remaining three existing only as unique specimens never offered publicly. The big brother 1.25" variety of this same design set a world auction record for any pin-back button in our March 2022 sale at \$185,850.

For jugate collectors, filling the 1920 Democratic ticket is the ultimate challenge. While other campaign jugates—some even rare—can be found with patience and means, this one stands apart. Whether due to tight campaign budgets, the difficulty of obtaining a suitable portrait of a young Franklin D. Roosevelt, or other constraints, production was extraordinarily limited. Surviving examples are believed to be manufacturer's samples, not mass-issued buttons. In six decades of searching, no more than three have ever surfaced together.

Its first record-setting sale in 1964 for over \$200 didn't just make headlines—it changed the hobby forever, setting a new standard for what political memorabilia could represent. Since then, the Cox/FDR jugate has become the final milestone for advanced collectors, the piece that defines a truly great collection.

Opportunities to acquire a top-grade example are infrequent. Whether you're adding to an already elite collection or making the leap into collecting history at its highest level, this offering represents a rare opportunity to secure one of the most iconic artifacts of American political campaigning.

Sources: <https://payment.hakes.com/Auction/ItemDetail/306253/COX-AND-ROOSEVELT-1920-JUGATE-BUTTON-HAKE-2010-HOBBY-COLLECTIBLE-ICON>

See the Hake's Auctions ad on page 24.



WHITE HOUSE PETS (Continued from page 3 . . .)

newspaper accounts from October 1911.

Pauline Wayne was being shipped in a private train car that was attached to a whole train of cattle cars bound for the Chicago stock yards. Somehow the presidential cow went missing for two days. The White House and the dairy show frantically "telegraph[ed] everywhere in search of her whereabouts," reported *The New York Times*.

According to *The Milwaukee Sentinel*, a train switch crew had mistakenly switched Pauline's car.

A handful of attendants who found Pauline Wayne convinced the stock yard that this was indeed the president's cow — and she was saved "from the bludgeon of the slaughterer," reported the *Times*. Whew, close call!

"Pauline was so adored that when she was mistakenly sent to a slaughterhouse, the country practically held its breath until she was rescued", said Jack Hawkins in his article "Presidential Pets: The Weird & Wonderful Animals Of The White House." But there's more to the story. The Presidential Pet Museum account continues:

About a year later, another interesting (and creepy) event happened in this cow's life. She was robbed. Well, sort of.

The *Milwaukee Sentinel* reported in September 1912 that an agriculture teacher from Ohio, who was visiting the nation's capital, spotted Pauline grazing on the South Lawn. He told the newspaper that, seeing no security officers, he stealthily approached the cow.

"Soon he obtained a supply of milk," the article stated, that tasted every bit as good as the man had heard it was.

The Media Was Fascinated by This Cow. The *Washington Post*, in particular, "had something of an obsession with Pauline," reports *National Journal*, which declared that the *Post* covered this pet cow much "like *Us Weekly* would a Kardashian."

"A search of its archives reveals more than 20 stories mentioning Pauline between 1910 and 1912," says *National Journal*.

This cow was no doubt the most famous White House cow ever, getting invited to cow shows everywhere (which President Taft declined). She even got an offer to appear in a traveling production of the play *Way Down East* — which President Taft also declined, with a chuckle.

Being a celebrity had a price for Pauline, though. Her health had visibly declined in the two years she had been in Washington, so Taft decided to send her back to Stephenson's farm as his presidential term came to a close.

Once again, *The New York Times* was on the story and reported on Feb. 2, 1913 that Stephenson was glad to have Pauline back, quoting him as saying the president's cow would "add dignity" to his herd.



The Presidential Pet Museum claims to have on display the original actual cow bell worn by Pauline Wayne. A picture of it is on the previous page.

Woodrow Wilson had a cat named Puffins, two unnamed songbirds, and two dogs named David and Bruce. To save on manpower during World War I, the wool was auctioned to raise money for the Red Cross.

President Harding's dogs were Old Boy and Laddie Boy. Laddie Boy was the first presidential dog to really be noticed (and written about) by the press. Laddie Boy had a specially designed hand-carved chair to attend all cabinet meetings. He became a celebrity and held interviews with the press. The Hardings also had a canary (Petey) and a pet squirrel named Pete.

Harvey Rachlin wrote an article titled: "Nearly 100 years ago, a dog named Laddie Boy captured the hearts and gritty spirit of America's newsboys." The story connects Harding's pre-presidential ownership of the *Marian Star* newspaper and the later life-size Laddie Boy bronze sculpture donated by the Roosevelt Newsboys Association of Greater Boston which resides at the National Museum of American History in Washington, D.C. We've all seen collectible figurines of the famous Laddie Boy. But did you know the full story excerpted here?

[Laddie Boy died 1929 Jan.23rd] for newsboys across the nation, this was no ordinary dog. Laddie Boy had once galvanized American newspaper delivery boys across the nation to come together on a mission. . .

Warren G. Harding was inaugurated as the 29th president . . . March 4, 1921. Prior to entering politics, Harding pursued his interest in newspapers. He purchased the *Marion Star*, a daily newspaper in his central Ohio hometown of Marion, and became the newspaper's editor as well as publisher. Harding later married, and his wife, Florence, with a keen business head, ran the paper successfully. She is also credited with the idea of having youths deliver newspapers to homes, a practice that continued robustly for most of the 20th century.

Harding later changed his interest to politics and after ascending the ladder of politics in Ohio ran for president and won. Desiring a special companion for the



2x6.25x6.5" long bronze plated cast metal figure. Reverse of hollow plaster filled base marked "Swaffield" © "1921." Front of base reads "Laddie Boy" and top of base, beneath dog, reads "Guarding Our President", first letter of each word forms "GOP". In his mouth is a newspaper with text "Marion Star." One of the most unusual Harding display items and the 2nd of this piece we have encountered in 54 years. Auction #233 Part I, 2021 Nov.2. Courtesy of Hakes.com

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difficult job ahead, the erstwhile newspaper chief wanted to have a dog with him in the White House. Different kinds of dogs were offered but he turned them down saying he wanted "a regular dog ... an Airedale."

Soon after he was inaugurated, Harding received Laddie Boy as a gift. The 55-pound brown-coated First Doggie became Harding's devoted companion at 1600 Pennsylvania Avenue. When the president sat in his office, Laddie Boy would lounge by his side. When Harding walked around the Ellipse, Laddie Boy would be there right with him, too. As one newspaper reported, "Few of the president's friends are believed to enjoy the friendship that the president bestows on his dog."

President Harding died unexpectedly in office on Aug. 2, 1923, and with his background in newspapers and the interest he had taken in the Brookline, Massachusetts, memorial of a former newsboy from the Boston area — Albert Edward Scott had enlisted in the U.S. Army during World War I as a high school freshman and was fatally shot at the age of 16 by German fire in France -- the Roosevelt Newsboys Association of Greater Boston wanted to show their appreciation to the late president.

They came up with a plan to commission a replica of Laddie Boy.

The Boston newsboys created a poster to enlist the help of fellow newspaper boys around the country. Revere, Massachusetts, newsboy Leonard Poretsky wrote the prize-winning essay on the poster, in which he praised Harding as "one of the best friends" newsboys ever had and "a man to whom the newsboys of the country

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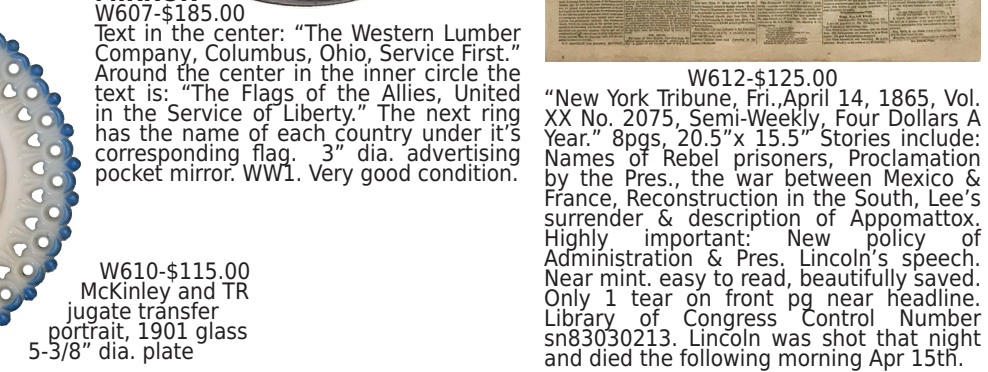
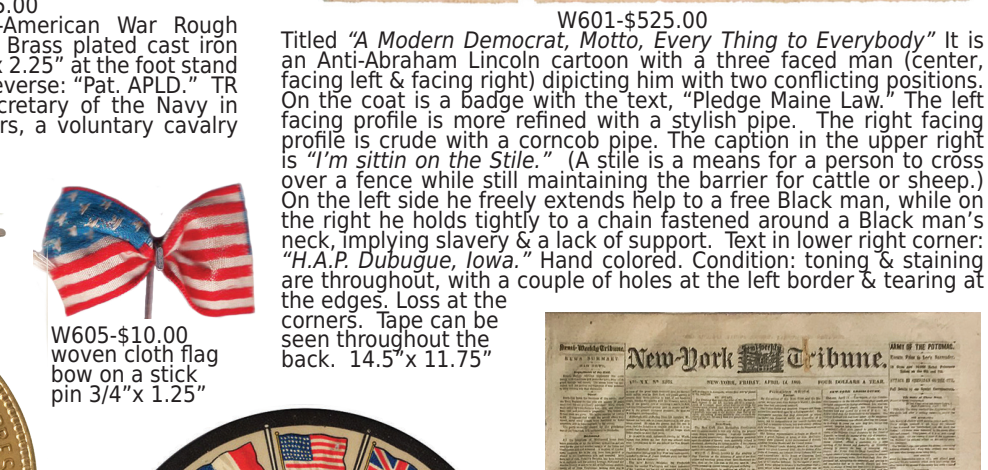
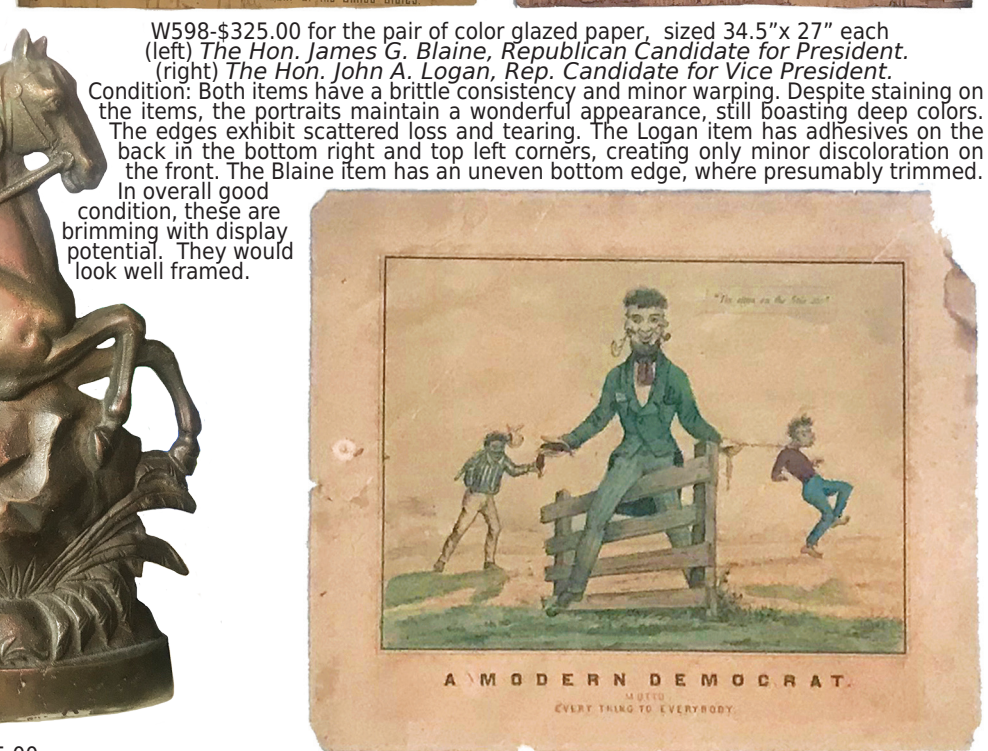
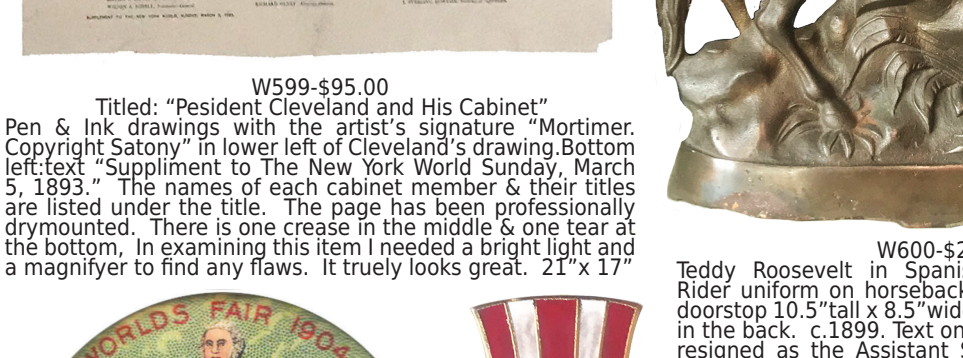
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Artist Herbert L. Block illustrates the New Orleans school desegregation crisis. There was a period of tremendous resistance. The man crying "Help!" is labeled "Louisiana State Legislature" and is backed into a corner presumably by the 1954 Brown v. Board of Education Supreme Court decision & subsequent order by U.S. Circuit Judge J. Skelly Wright that desegregation in New Orleans was to begin on Nov 14, 1960. That morning 4 little black six-year old girls were escorted to two elementary schools. One of them, Ruby Bridges, was captured in an iconic photo and looked very much like the girl in this illustration. Printed in lower left: *Herblock* © 1960 *The Washington Post Co.* Signed in pencil lower right: 1960 *Herb Block*. It took ten more years for the New Orleans public schools to fully integrate. Very moving time in history captured here by the artist. 17.75"x15". Framed. Near mint.



W616-\$45.00
WW1 poster 26"x21" by the Liberty Loan Committee, Lincoln Building, Phila., PA. "The space contributed by patriotic business firms of Philadelphia." Wounded Veteran writing letter. "It's All Right if the folks at home are with me." The message begins, "He received his wounds for you..." and ends "Every bond you buy is a message to the Boys over there that the folks over here are with them." Lower left text: "No man, rich or poor, capitalist or laborer, has done his full duty until he has bought all the bonds he has the cash to pay for, and all he can possibly pay for in installments. There is immediate and urgent need for every dollar you can spare. You are only lending, not giving your money. Your Government guarantees the return of your money with interest at 4 1/4%." Faint creases, small tear lower left corner.



W617-\$245.00
Hinged wood cigar box 10-1/8"x6-3/8"x2" with "4 Knights" embossed paper under lid inside picturing 4 presidents: Washington, Lincoln, Garfield, & McKinley. Felt lining. Condition of the box overall is fair to good, but the paper under the lid is in very good condition.

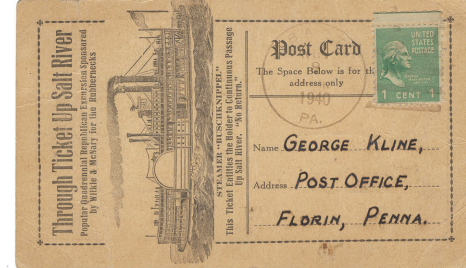


W618-\$28.00
1.25" bar pin ribbon w/1.25" embossed medal. side 1: Efficiency, Honor, Fidelity, eagle & sword. Side 2: For Good Conduct

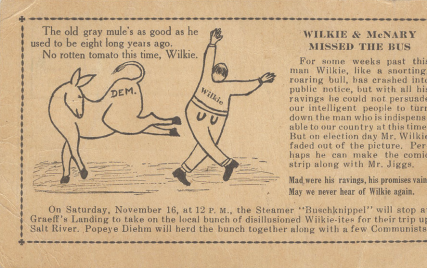
W619-\$18.00
1.25" Navy cello w/2" ribbons & 3/4" plastic football charm

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Women's Committee for Dewey paper bag 14"x11.25", same print on both sides. Near Mint.

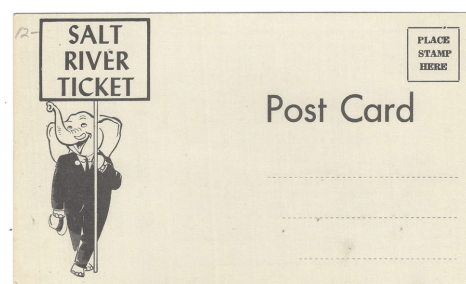
W621-\$65.00
'52 Women's Division (for Ike) RNC paper bag 8.5"x10" Near Mint.



W622-\$30.00
Salt River Ticket 3.25"x5.5" used postcard, postmarked 1940 PA. Popular Quadrennial Republican Excursion sponsored by Wilkie & McNary for the Rubbernecks. Steamer "Buschknipfel". The old gray mule's as good as he used to be eight long years ago. No rotten tomato this time, Wilkie, ... Wilkie & McNary Missed the Bus...Mad were his ravings, his promised vain; May we never hear of Wilkie again.



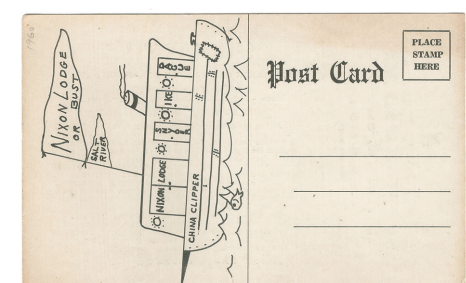
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Salt River Ticket unused postcard 3.25"x5.5". Thru Ticket Up Salt River for Goldwater-Miller Supporters. This one way journey up the Salt River to yesterday is being sponsored by the "White Knight of the Far Right", Barry Goldwater (in your heart you know he's right). He has set the Republican Party back 20 years and only regrets that he can't go back further. Bill Miller will be chief ticket taker (don't lose money) adding "Tricky" Dickie Nixon, Bill Scranton, Ike "Socialized Medicine" Eisenhower and the rest of their motley crew. The local Ward Heelers will be led by Ken Shirk, Jr. departing from Engleside..



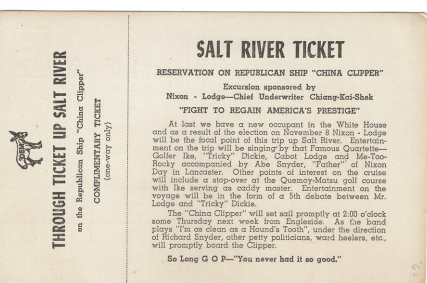
W624-\$28.00
Salt River Ticket unused postcard 3-7/8"x6.25". Thru Ticket...on Republican Ship "China Clipper." ... Sponsored by Nixon-Lodge -- Chief Underwriter Chiang-Kai-Shek "Fight to Regain America's Prestige"... Entertainment will be singing by Famous Quartette -- Goffier Ike, "Tricky" Dickie, Cabot Lodge & Me-To-Rocky accompanied by Abe Snyder, "Father" of Nixon Day in Lancaster...So Long GOP -- "You never had it so good."



W625-\$250.00
Al Smith for President 8" dia. litho license attachment. Small text at bottom: "Pat. Pending, S.S. Adams Co., Asbury Park, N.J."



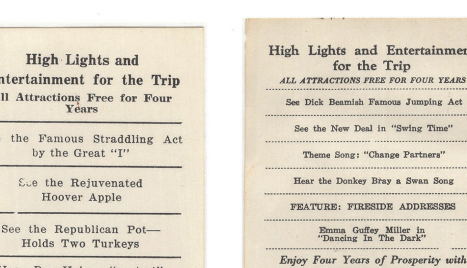
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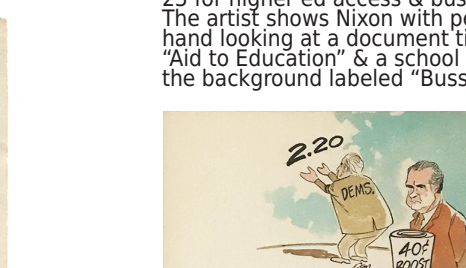
W627-\$45.00
G.A.R. brooch (Grand Army of the Republic). Embossed 5/8" eagle pin back linked to a 2.25" metal 3D Confederate hat charm with hand painted hat cord along the base of the crown.. The hat has finish loss on upper right rim & on top of the hat at 11:00 as shown.



W628-\$55.00
Embossed metal frying pan brooch 2.25"x1.5" dia. depicting Uncle Sam with hand outstretched and text: "Exposition 1901 Buffalo NY." (pin on back is missing)



W629-\$15.00
Salt River Ticket 9.25"x2-3/8" Four Year Excursion on the Very Good Boat "Republican Party." Last Stop "Prosperity." Wilkie, Skipper, McNary, Mate. Al Smith, Luce, 2nd Mate. Al Smith, Cook. Joe Pugh, Purser. See the Republican Pot-- Holds Two Turkeys. See the Rejuvenated Hoover Apple.



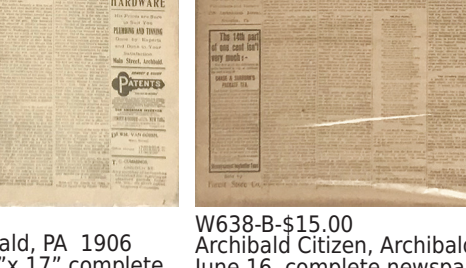
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Salt River Ticket 9.25"x2.75" Four Year Excursion on the Very Good Boat "Democratic Party." Last stop White House. George Erle III, Skipper. Charles Alvin ("Little Alvie"), Cabin Boy. Joe Guffrey, Pilot. Hear the Donkey Bray a Swan Song. Enjoy Four Years of Prosperity with James J. Davis & Arthur H. James. Unusual.



W631-\$25.00
Salt River Ticket 9.25"x2.75" Four Year Excursion on the Very Good Boat "Democratic Party." Last stop White House. George Erle III, Skipper. Charles Alvin ("Little Alvie"), Cabin Boy. Joe Guffrey, Pilot. Hear the Donkey Bray a Swan Song. Enjoy Four Years of Prosperity with James J. Davis & Arthur H. James. Unusual.



W632-\$250.00
"Aid to Education" dated 6/23/72. Nixon signed 1972 Education Amendments Act on June 23 for higher ed access & bussing. The artist shows Nixon with pen in hand looking at a document titled "Aid to Education" & a school bus in the background labeled "Bussing."



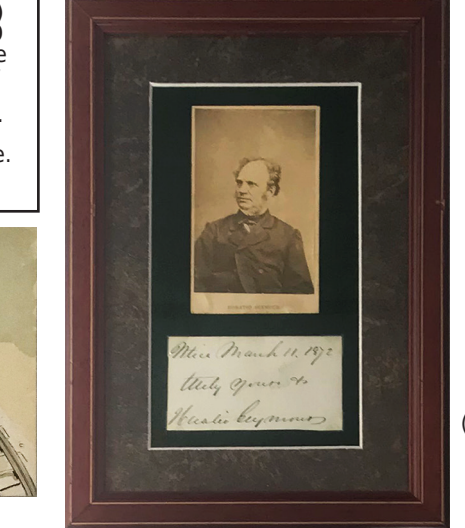
W633-\$240.00
Horatio Seymour carte de visite [CDV] w/signed note: "March 11, 1872 Truly Yours, Horatio Seymour." Framed & matted under glass. 7"x10". Civil War era CDV photograph of American political leader HORATIO SEYMOUR [1810-1886], Governor of New York & Democratic candidate for President in the Election of 1868. He lost to the military hero and Republican candidate ULYSSES S. GRANT.



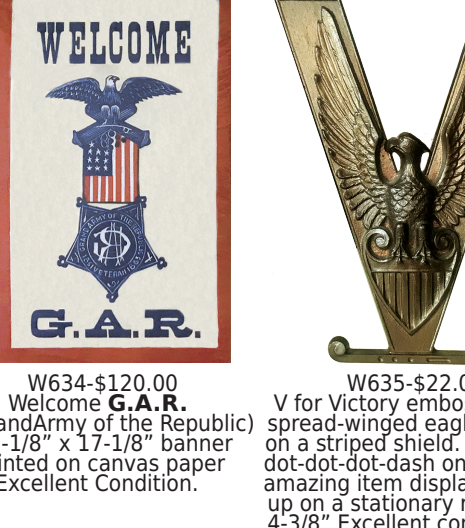
W634-\$120.00
Welcome G.A.R. (GrandArmy of the Republic) 11-1/8" x 17-1/8" banner Printed on canvas paper Excellent Condition.

W635-\$22.00
V for Victory embossed with spread-winged eagle perched on a striped shield. Morse Code dot-dot-dot-dash on base. This amazing item displays standing up on a stationary rod. 5-7/8"x4-3/8" Excellent condition.

W636-\$240.00
Re-Elect Roosevelt, A Gallant Leader banner w/drawing of FDR for the 1938 or 1942 election. 30"x41" heavy weight paper with gromets in each corner for hanging. Printed by Sweeney Litho Co., Belleville, NJ, Union Label NY. A few creases from being rolled. Some small age marks on the right bottom, a few along the edge on the left. No tears. In good condition for its age and usage.



W637-\$175.00
INTERWOVEN Lot
"A Very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year from Interwoven, The Greatest Name In Socks." 10.5"x14" ad, 1944 magazine page, WW2.



W638-A-\$30.00
Archibald Citizen, Archibald, PA 1906 Feb 17, sturdy 6 pgs, 23"x17" complete newspaper. "White House Wedding". Six columns of front pg report on TR's only daughter, Alice's, marriage to Rep. Nicholas Longworth. Pictures the couple, a picture of her as baby, the house where they will live. Inside stories include: Valley Forge, & How Farmers Stay Well. Very good condition.



W638-B-\$15.00
Archibald Citizen, Archibald, PA 1900 June 16, complete newspaper of 6 pages in fair condition, 23"x17". Front page pictures McKinley w/story titled: McKinley will be Nominated for President at Next Week's Republican Convention. Plus articles on Boxer Rebellion in China, and Governor Sanford Dole of Hawaii.



W638-C-\$30.00
Archibald Citizen, Archibald, PA 1909 Feb 27, 4 pgs, 23"x17". Bottom of front page: TR Quits Thursday. Page 2 story of inaugural Customs beginning with Washington. Taft & Sherman supporters believe Apr 30th would be a better inaugural date than Mar 4th. The other big story is "The War of the Queens of the Opera." Drawings of TR, Taft & Sherman included. Rough edge at bottom. The rest is very good condition.

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REMEMBERING THOSE WHO'VE SERVED

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MID-ATLANTIC REGIONAL SHOW, LANGHORNE, PA - Nov. 7-8, 2025



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Drew Hecht,
Mid-Atlantic Legends Award



Ed Stahl, Show Host



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Harvey Goldberg



Chris Hearn & Kate Kervin



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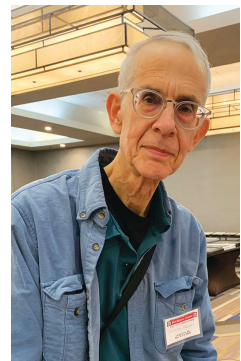
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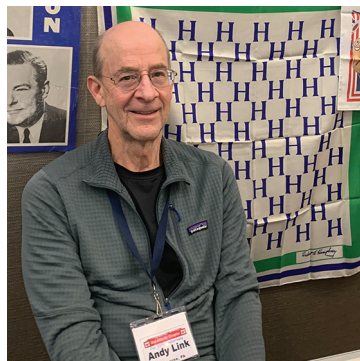
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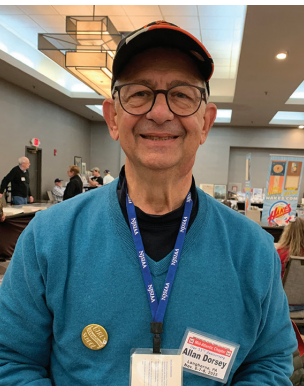
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Robert Lifson



Pat Shelton



Allen Dorsey



Bob



Patrick Mara



Steve & his son, a
new APIC member



Phil-A-Bag by Phil Kellerman



Silent Auction, Phil Kellerman & Cynthia Lee

LANGHORNE

Once again Ed Stahl and Harvey Goldberg organized a wonderful show in Langhorne. Year after year everyone who attends the show knows they will find a special item they can add to their collection. There are usually one or more interesting walk-in auctions and the dealers always have new items and fabulous older items for sale. The coups continued their Silent Auctions in which attendees place their items. When they close the Silent Auction area is packed with hopeful winners and happy sellers at check out.

Drew Hecht was given the Mid-Atlantic Legends Award joining a distinguished group of individuals in the history of the Chapter.

As Harvey has said many times, "It's not just buying and selling which brings us to APIC shows. It is seeing the friends we have made over the years." Some of the attendees have been friends for over 50 years. Our kids have grown up together. We've celebrated many milestones in each others' lives.

The Mid-Atlantic Chapter of the APIC has facilitated many of these adventures in our lives. It is one of the oldest and best attended annual shows. If you have not attended for a while, hold the date on your calendar in November 2026. You'll be glad you did. See you at the National.



2026 APIC NATIONAL CONVENTION REGISTRATION FORM: JULY 26–AUG. 1

DoubleTree Boston North Shore Hotel

50 Ferncroft Rd., Danvers, Mass. 01923

To make reservatons, APIC members can call the hotel directly at (978) 777-2500
and use code 94D. Special APIC room rate of \$149/night plus tax from July 23 to Aug 4.

CONVENTION REGISTRATION (You can also register on-line at www.apic.us)		
Name:		APIC #:
Address:		
City:	State:	Zip:
Cell #:	Email:	

DESCRIPTION	COST	QTY	EXTENDED TOTAL
Family (Household) Registration : Includes one active APIC member & all immediate family members.	\$65.00	x	\$
Family member names:			
Member Only Registration (no family members): Includes one active APIC member (no family members)	\$45.00	x	\$
Awards Banquet Friday, July 31, 6 p.m. (per person) Includes attendance for one person to the Awards Banquet.	\$55.00	x	\$
John F. Kennedy Library Tour, Tue., July 28 th . Limited seating. Includes roundtrip bus ride & admission for one person.	\$50.00	x	\$
Official 2026 National Convention T-Shirt Designate size: Extra Large, Large, Medum or Small	\$20.00	x	\$

DEALER TABLES & SHOW CASES (July 30 - Aug. 1)	COST	QTY	EXTENDED TOTAL
Wall Tables (6-foot) each: Located against the outside wall of the ballroom.	\$150.00	x	\$
Aisle Tables (6-foot) each: Located within the interior of the ballroom & foyer.	\$125.00	x	\$
Rental of Locked Display Case each: Cases are 36" x 23" x 4.5" with a lock & key.	\$45.00	x	\$

FRIENDS OF THE NATIONAL CONVENTION	DONATION	QTY	EXTENDED TOTAL
Friend (Includes early admission.)	\$100.00	x	\$
Bronze Sponsor (quarter page ad in convention program & early admission)	\$250.00	x	\$
Silver Sponsor (half page ad in convention program & early admission)	\$500.00	x	\$
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Registration is also available on-line with a credit card by visiting www.apic.us
and clicking on the link for the 2026 National Convention.

Questions? Contact Mike Dunham at (617) 212-4249 or Susan Roman at (603) 534-0157.

TREASURES on the WEB

By Paul Bengston

By the time you are reading this the holidays will be over, and it will be a new year. Hello 2026. Here in Minnesota, it will be a big election year. Minnesota has a governor's race, a senate race, 8 congressional elections, every state office and every state senator and representative will be on the ballot in 2026. Because of my work, I get to attend many political events and conventions. Of course, being a collector, I grab one of every button I see. You never know the heights some of these candidates will climb to. Most US presidents held some political office before they rose to the top. Those early career items are always collectable and often very valuable. Oh, how I wish I could travel back in time to JFK's or LBJ's congressional campaign offices. It wasn't that long ago Barak Obama was running for state senator. Who is running this year for the 1st time and will go on to be a governor, a senator or even a president? Ya just never know. Grab a button and put it away.

1st up is a Lincon Carte-de-Visite. I watch these on eBay and some sell rather inexpensively while some go for big numbers. This one is the later. From an 1865 sitting for photographer Alex Gardner, this sold for \$5,433.

The "First Regiment Veterans" who "Vote as they Shoot" supported Tilden & Hendricks as seen on this 4" x 8" ribbon. This sold for a Best Offer of \$995.

Garfield items are seeing a renewed interest because of the Netflix series "Death by Lightning". This 2 1/2" x 6" silk ribbon sold for \$281.

Jacob Coxey led a large group of unemployed men (Coxey's Army) to Washington DC in 1894. The march ended with his arrest for walking on the grass. Coxey went on to be the Farmer Labor Party candidate for President in 1932. This 1" item has an odd clip style back I have not seen before and pictures Jacob behind bars. This sold in a group of other more common items for \$65.

The Utica Republican Club supported Teddy Roosevelt for Governor in 1898 as seen on this 2 3/4" x 8" ribbon that sold for \$308.

When I first saw this 1 1/4" Bryan, it struck me as being unusual. Bryan collectors agreed as it sold for \$91.

This 12" graphic McKinley Roosevelt jugate serving tray was in excellent condition and sold for \$312. I would call this a lot of bang for the buck.

This unusual 1 3/4" sepia Stevenson pin is seldom seen and this one was mint. The back paper says, "Send 25 cents and receive 8 assorted Bryan photographic buttons - National Watchman (Leading Democratic weekly) Washington DC". This sold for \$188.

There are many varieties of celluloid photo albums with political themes. This graphic Teddy Roosevelt sold for \$333.

Sold as a Best Offer for \$125, this Harding signature pin was included in a group of junk. Interesting that this was the 7/8" version which is very seldom seen or offered compared to the 1 1/4" size.

This "Cox Presidential Party PASS Through Police Lines" badge is really and odd one. With an "Official" topper, this sold for \$485.



For the 2nd time in two months this 1 1/4" Coolidge Dawes sepia jugate was offered. This one sold for \$625.

The "America Liberty Smith" is a real classic. There are reproductions of this in both celluloid and lithographic. This was the real deal but unfortunately it was cracked but still very presentable. This sold for \$164. A mint example would be about \$2,000.



Boston Mayor and Massachusetts Governor James M. Curley liked oval buttons. There were a whole series of this style made. The "Precinct Captain" version sold for \$120.

This "Roosevelt Garner Prosperity Repeal Work 100%" license plate attachment was in excellent condition and sold for a strong \$632.



Hidden in a large group of more common items was this "Landon the New Deal" pin showing and elephant squashing a donkey. The lot sold for \$2,376. A real classic 1936 item and a must for any serious Landon collection.

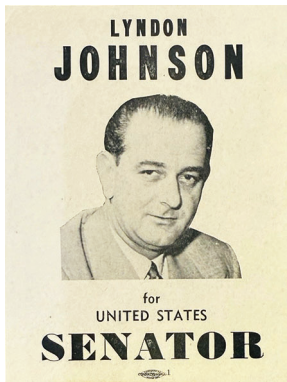


Willkie lithos tend to be common and inexpensive, yet this 1 1/8" "My Shoulder to the Wheel for Willkie" sold for a strong \$113.

From Minnesota, this "Riders for Ike" pin was made to counter Harold Stassen's core supporters who were called "riders" as seen on some of his pinbacks. Likely worn by Minnesota delegates to the 1952 Republican National Convention, this sold for \$170.



LBJ made a large variety of items for his congressional and senate campaigns. This 4 1/2" x 3 1/8" palm card pictures Lady Bird, Lucy Baines (age 1) and Lynda Bird (age 4) on the back. It sold for \$191.



With eye popping RWB edge design, this 3 1/2" "Kennedy Johnson" sticker sold for \$305.



From early in the 1976 campaign, this "PRESS" pin from Jimmy Carter's South Bend visit sold for \$58. I recall this being very difficult to get even in the 70's.



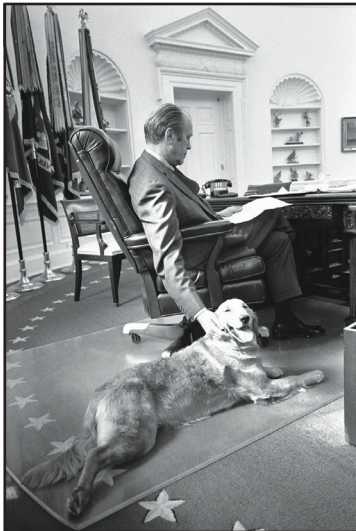
The seller called this 4" Reagan CA Delegation pin the best Reagan pin. I doubt that is true but the sale price of \$1,200 might disagree with me.



If you enjoy discussing online sales, join the Facebook group "Treasures on the Web" for comments on these and many other items.

Best & happy New Year, Paul Bengston APIC #3514

LIBERTY



Shortly after Gerald R. Ford assumed the presidency his wife, Betty, had breast cancer surgery. The Fords previously had golden retrievers, and their daughter, Susan, decided a puppy would brighten her parent's days as they dealt with national issues and personal health problems.

White House photographer, David Hume Kennerly, helped Susan obtain the new puppy by calling a reputable Minneapolis breeder. The breeder, ensuring the dog went to a good home, asked the name of his friends. Wanting to protect the President and Mrs. Ford's privacy, Kennerly would not reveal their name, but stated they were a friendly middle-aged couple who "lived in a white house with a big yard and a fence around it." The breeder asked, "Did they own, or rent?" Thinking about it, Kennerly replied, "I guess you might call it public housing." The breeder agreed to ship the six-month old female golden retriever puppy to Washington, D.C. where she met a delighted President in the Oval Office and Mrs. Ford when she returned home from the hospital.

President Ford was Liberty's primary caregiver. Once, when she relieved herself in the Oval Office, a Navy steward hurried to clean it up. The President stopped him, saying, "I'll do that. No man should have to clean up after another man's dog." Source: <https://www.georgebushlibrary.gov/explore/exhibits/presidential-pets#162>

LIQUIDATING THE DAVID QUINTIN COLLECTION OF GOVERNOR - US SENATE - PRESIDENTIAL COATTAILS BUTTONS - PAPER- POSTERS- RIBBONS - ETC.

I HAVE DECIDED TO SELL THE PORTION OF MY COLLECTION, SELECTIVE STATES, THAT I HAVE PUBLISHED IN BOOKS. TO DATE THERE ARE SIXTEEN STATES THAT HAVE BEEN PUBLISHED AND INDIVIDUAL ITEMS ARE NOW AVAILABLE FOR SALE FROM THE FOLLOWING STATES:

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DID YOU KNOW?

THE MUSEUM OF AMERICAN DEMOCRACY The Wright Family Collection

Jordan M. Wright a lawyer and magazine publisher, began collecting political memorabilia at the age of ten. Since then, he amassed the largest and most comprehensive collection in the world, according to the Museum of American Democracy. Jordan Wright's collection tells the colorful and exciting story of how incumbents and candidates (and their losing rivals) have wooed voters since America was founded. These objects from rare and important flags, posters, paper dresses and lanterns, to ice cream bars, sunglasses and of course, buttons form a fascinating, moving sometimes funny, sometimes outrageous physical record of the past. The collection is a living breathing history of the democratic tradition upon which we continue to build a great nation. The collection provides wonderful insight into America's most important achievements.



Jordan M. Wright, Magazine Publisher, Lawyer & Collector, with his 2008 book "Campaigning for President" based on his large collection of 1.4 million items.

"American Democracy is the affirmation of a nation determined to be the master of its own political destiny." — Jordan M Wright

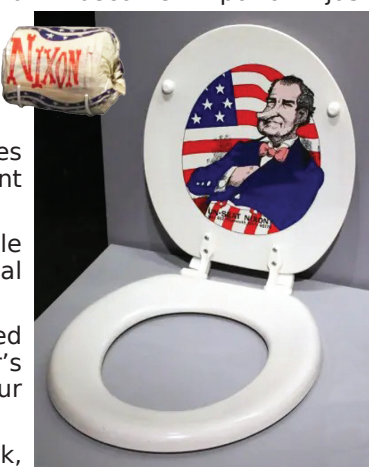
Based on the author's extraordinary personal collection of presidential election memorabilia, Campaigning for President (2008 Jan.2) tells the colorful story of how presidents (and their losing rivals) have wooed voters since America was founded. Campaigning for President makes it clear that money didn't become important just

in recent elections and that candidates—and their minions—have sometimes been willing to gloss over the fine points or get very creative in their self-representation in attempts to win the presidency. Full of entertaining stories about the elections and the memorabilia, this book provides wonderful insight into America's most important achievement—our democratic system.

"A stunning book, a wonderful way for people to learn about democracy and how the political process works."—Senator John McCain

"A unique opportunity to view the United State's political history through each election year's artifacts. What a wonderful way to learn about our country."—Geraldine A. Ferraro

Following the release of the original book, Jordan passed away unexpectedly at the age of 50 and left his collection and his dreams of a museum to his family. He would be happy to know that the



"Un-Seat Nixon" toilet seat & TP, 1972 campaign item. Wright Family Collection

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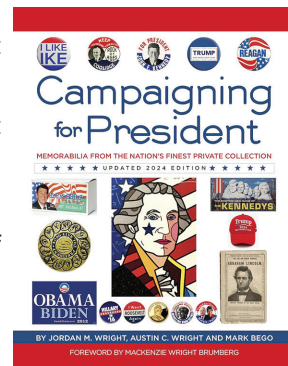


Museum of Democracy is now a reality at Long Island University in New York. In addition to the permanent exhibit, there is also a touring display of the collection, which makes guest appearances in museums and universities across the United States. Although he is not here to witness it, these exhibits and the 2024 updated version of his book are here to keep Wright's dream and his collection alive.

Jordan Wright, collected 1.4 million objects of political memorabilia before he died in 2008. "The Museum of Democracy can be the catalyst for a global conversation about what American democracy has been, is and can be."

This fully updated version of the Wright's 2008 book: Campaigning for President, was presented by The Museum of Democracy in 2024.

New York Times best-selling author Mark Bego was brought in to create this new edition, which includes the original version with the addition of five new presidential cycles, from 2008 to 2024, to reflect the present political landscape. Honoring the intent of the prestigious collection, the new, fully illustrated section highlights the five most recent presidential campaigns with the same vigor and enthusiasm as Wright's original creation. This book is spearheaded by Pamala Wright, whose late husband, Jordan M. Wright, created the original collection it salutes. Jordan's legacy is further enhanced in the version with contributions from his son Austin C. Wright, who serves as Chairman of The Board of



Campaigning for President, updated version 6/4/2024, by Jordan Wright, Austin Wright, & Mark Bego



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JANUARY 2026

The A.P.I.C. Newsletter



Four of our Presidents were born in January:
Millard Fillmore - Jan. 7, 1800, William McKinley
- Jan. 29, 1843, Franklin D. Roosevelt - Jan. 30,
1882, and Richard Nixon, Jan. 9, 1913.

APIC ELECTION 2026

Fellow APICers: It's time to elect officers, including regional Vice Presidents and Board members. Every position is up for election. The APIC Board is composed of three members plus a Regional Vice President from each of the seven regions around the country. The Board has met regularly this year by Zoom and in person at Seven Springs. The Board sets APIC policy and monitors such critical functions as finances, the website and the recruiting and retaining of members.

Our streamlined procedure, which allows us to vote by online ballot, has gone very well in recent elections and resulted in a higher than normal turnout. However, participation is still low so I hope you'll stay tuned for updates and participate.

If you are interested in serving the APIC, here is the election process:

1. If you do not currently hold a position but are interested in running for office, let me know via email what office you would like to seek by March 1. (wblair1987@gmail.com).
2. I will reach out to existing office holders by March 1 as well to determine if they intend to run again.
3. At that time candidates will be notified, confirmed and the ballot will be created.
4. Voting will take place via online ballot and paper ballot published in the Bandwagon with the voting period open from May 1 to June 30.
5. Election results for contested races will be announced as soon as they are tabulated with the new Officers and Board taking office at the National Convention in Danvers, Mass

In addition to the APIC Elections, time is coming soon for another round of recognition of APIC members. If you have someone you'd like to see honored either for their hard work in the hobby or for their lifetime of service to the organization, please let me know your nomination.

Winston Blair
APIC Secretary

MINUTES FROM THE BOARD MEETING
ARE ON PAGE 2 OF THIS EDITION
OF THE NEWSLETTER.

NEW YEAR'S AT THE WHITE HOUSE

New Years in the White House has been a tradition that shifted from a large public reception to more private celebrations. From 1801 to 1932, a New Year's Day reception welcomed thousands of people to shake the president's hand, but this tradition ended due to logistical and security concerns.

Today, modern presidential families have private celebrations, which often include hosting official parties or attending social events, with security and logistical problems making a return to the old public reception impossible.

The reception was open to the public, including diplomats, military officers, and everyday citizens. The main event was the opportunity to shake hands with the president and often, the first lady. The last New Years Day Reception was held in 1932. Herbert Hoover hosted the tradition three times before it was dropped.



THE APIC CALENDAR

REVISED SCHEDULE

New England chapter

We have decided not to do a winter show. The April date was available for us and we aren't bumping into other scheduled events. We'll be back at Northern Essex Community College in Haverhill MA on April 4 with set-up from 8-9am & the show open to public at 9am.

We might want to extend an hour maybe with a brown bag lunch to meet about the National. Thanks for all that everyone is doing to help get us through this. And we hope to see you at the National in July.

Susan Roman

Big Apple Super Bowl Weekend Show

Sat. Feb 7, 2026: Union Fire Co. Banquet Hall,
1396 River Rd, Titusville, NJ 08560
Free Parking. Admission \$3.00

Additional Info: It's Super Bowl weekend! Let's Go! Huddle Up! Come out to this one-day show to see a wide range of dealer tables full of political campaign memorabilia available for sale/trade. We're back at our old location at the firehouse.

Contact Tony Lee, 609-310-0817
or email him at
tonylee08560@gmail.com

ANNUAL WASHINGTON AREA SHOW

This year we are hosting the 26th annual Washington area show & sale on Saturday March 28 at the Rockville Hilton (same as the last few years) from 10am to 3pm. Room hopping on Friday. That's 1750 Rockville Pike, Rockville MD 20852. The show is later in the calendar than usual due to scheduling at the hotel.

Wall tables are \$65; Interior tables are \$60. Same admission fees. We intend to invite the laid-off Federal workers in Washington to attend for free.

Hotel Rooms: Phone 866-994-9656 and mention the APIC Show to get the reduced room rate.

Contact me at: jds15@aol.com or mail a check payable to APIC National Capital Chapter to me at 11609 Hitching Post Lane, Rockville, Md. 20852. You also can pay at the show.

JONATHAN SALANT

LOOKING AHEAD...

APR 10-11, 2026 - VERNON HOUSTON CHAPTER (formerly the Dixie Chapter) annual show at the Wyndham Garden, Greensboro, 415 S. Swing Road, Greensboro, NC 27409. Friday evening 4/10: Room Hopping/Hospitality suite. Saturday 4/11: 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: Phone 336-830-2727 or email wblair1987@gmail.com

APIC 2026 NATIONAL CONVENTION

The 2026 National Convention is coming soon! Yes it's a year away. But we all know how fast the time will go.

The dates are Mon., July 27-Sat., Aug. 1, 2026

At the DoubleTree Hotel Northshore

In Danvers Massachusetts.

Guest room rates are \$149.00 +tax/night.

Contacts for the National: Susan Roman 603-534-0157 (reaganroman@comcast.net) and Mike Dunham 617-212-4249 (burdun@comcast.net)

The convention will offer bourse days Thurs., Fri., & Sat. Members' Auction Thursday, and banquet Friday night. For general questions see our Facebook group: Facebook.com/groups/apic2026.

A shuttle is being planned to bring members from Logan Airport in Boston to the Doubletree hotel in Danvers. Further details on the shuttle & other events at the National. will be forthcoming.

MORE ON THE NATIONAL:
THIS NEWSLETTER PG 2.

A HAPPY, HEALTHY, AND SAFE
NEW YEAR TO ONE & ALL!

FROM THE PRESIDENT

After much anticipation, the time has finally arrived for you to register for the APIC National Convention, which will be held the last week of July in Danvers, Mass.

The convention committee has been hard at work creating the layout for the dealer tables (more than 200 tables will be available), as well as the convention schedule, awards dinner, side trip to the Kennedy Library, member auction, shuttle service to and from Logan Airport and more.

It will be a "can't miss" event, and I encourage you to both register and reserve your hotel room as soon as possible to avoid disappointment, since we expect the tables and the hotel rooms to sell out.

Registering is very easy. There is a form on the opposite page of this column that you can complete and mail in with a check. Or you can go online and register at www.apic.us with a credit card. Simply click on the link that reads 2026 Convention.

The Doubletree Boston North Shore, which is hosting the convention, is very close to many great tourist destinations in and around the Boston area. The hotel will honor the \$149 a night rate both before and after our gathering, so you might consider extending your stay to visit nearby beaches, American Revolutionary War sites, Fenway Park, the Salem Witch Museum and much more. The hotel also boasts a large water park, which the kids and grandkids should enjoy.



On the convention registration page, you'll see the opportunity to help sponsor the event. Sponsorships allow the convention committee to keep the costs of the convention affordable, and the excess will be used to advance APIC initiatives.

To that end, I'd like to thank several APIC members who have made donations recently, including Jim Carrico, Jim Gaughran, Cary Jung, Dennis Duval, Stephen Kohnenkamp and Anne Rosen. In fact, Anne donated several boxes of items from her late husband Russ's collection, which we were able to sell at and after the Lang-horne show and deposit the funds into the APIC account. Such generosity helps us keep a cap on membership dues and other expenses and is always welcome.

A reminder also that the first few months of the year bring a range of APIC shows across the country, starting with Titusville, NJ on Feb. 7, followed by the South Florida show on Feb. 21, Rockville, MD on March 28 and Greensboro, NC on April 11. There are many others planned, which you can see by visiting the homepage of our website.

I hope the New Year is off to a great start for you and yours, and that 2026 is another wonderful year for political collecting and the APIC.

Thanks, Tony

CALENDAR COLLISION

Federal holidays collided in a rare overlap on Monday, January 20, 2025 which was both Inauguration Day and Martin Luther King Jr. Day.

Then President-elect Donald Trump's second inauguration was just the third time a president took the oath of office on the day dedicated to honoring the late civil rights leader. Former Presidents Bill Clinton and Barack Obama both did so during their second inaugurations, in 1997 and 2013.

The inauguration was moved indoors to the Capitol Rotunda, citing frigid temperatures. It was the second coldest inauguration since 1985, when Ronald Reagan's second inaugural was also moved indoors.

The two events aren't expected to coincide again until January 2053, due to their particular requirements and quirks of the calendar.



APIC NEWSLETTER

JANUARY 2026, Continued

APIC Board of Directors Minutes
December 9, 2025 via Zoom

Board Members present: Tony Lee, Tom Morton, Winston Blair, Steve Ferber, Cary Demont, Patrick Mara, David Wilson, Frank Acker, Sean Solomon, John Olsen, Tom O'Connor, Mike Dunham, Michael Brooks, John Chapman, Dennis Belt, Susan Roman, Jeremy Schneider, Dillon Breen, Drew Hecht, Tom McGrail

Other appointed or ex-officio officials present: Tom Peeling, Cary Jung, Danielle Peeling

Call to order at 8:02 PM ET

Welcome Remarks & Updates: Tony updated the Board on the passing of fellow APIC members Roger Van Sickle and Stephen Bumball. A couple new Board members were welcomed: Patrick Mara as Region 3 VP, Adam Kress to the Region 3 Board, and Tom O'Connor as a Board member for Region 4.

Donations to the APIC were the highest ever in November which helped offset the expenses. Tony Lee encouraged show promoters and hosts to email himself and Harvey Goldberg so that the info about the shows can be added to the Bandwagon calendar and the APIC website.

Membership Services Report:

Dani Peeling reported that 294 people have renewed since mid-August, and current APIC membership is at 1,165. Dani has reached out to members about renewing and getting to know fellow collectors. She also emailed all members with recently expired memberships about renewing.

Secretary's Report:

Winston Blair reported that 2026 will be another election year in the APIC and Board members will be contacted in January about running again for reelection.

APIC Financial Report:

Tom Morton gave an update on the finances, the balance sheet has remained mostly the same. Donations were up, and Tony Lee talked about estate planning and leaving APIC in your will. Financially we are doing well overall.

Dennis Belt mentioned he enjoyed getting the Political Bandwagon online and asked about reaching out to others to encourage getting the online version, and Tony Lee said many people he's talked to still enjoy getting the Bandwagon in print.

Keynoter Report:

Tom Peeling mentioned that the latest issue of the Keynoter went to the printer today, and will be mailed out in early January. Dani Peeling is handling the advertising portion of the Keynoter. The Spring edition is already planned and will have a focus on the 2026 APIC National Convention and should be mailed in April.

2026 APIC National Convention Update:

Mike Dunham reported that the Agenda for the National is set, and the committee is hoping to launch registration for the convention in early January. There is room for almost 210 tables in the ballroom, and security has been arranged.

Drew Hecht will be in charge of Exhibits. A group trip to the JFK Library will be on Tuesday of convention week. The Member's Auction will be Thursday night, and the Awards Banquet on Friday night of convention week. Susan Roman mentioned they are working closely with a potential guest speaker for the Awards banquet. Hotel reservations for the National site hotel in Danvers, MA are open. Tony gave thanks to Mike, Susan, and Tom McGrail for their work so far on planning the convention.

New Business:

Tony Lee mentioned that Tom Morton has created a poster template that could be used at shows to promote the hobby, if you would like to get one of these, email Tony. Bob Fratkin and Tony have been talking about a PR campaign to reach more people and to gain new members for the hobby. With the upcoming 250th Anniversary of the country approaching, efforts are being made to promote the APIC during this time. Cary Jung mentioned that the Barack Obama Presidential Library will be opening in 2026, and the Northern California show is upcoming this weekend.

Winston Blair,
APIC Secretary

OPPORTUNITY - CARPE DIEM

Hello, I have been Co-Chairman and Advertising Coordinator for the Southern California Political Memorabilia Show for many years. Our show is held once a year in the fall. I would like to see if someone younger would like to take the reigns as a Co-Chairman. You will be working with David Hyman, a long time Political memorabilia collector in Los Angeles. I will be available for support and directions. Here's your opportunity to shape APIC's future. Other duties require my attention. Please call (818) 644-9231 to discuss this position.

Thank you. Tom Morton, APIC#9279



NATIONAL CONVENTION 2026 NEWS

Registration is OPEN.

ONLINE at
www.apic.us

or use the
REGISTRATION FORM
on page 17.

Make APIC Part of Your Estate Planning

As you consider next steps for your collection, please remember that APIC is a 501(c)3 tax-exempt non-profit organization that would greatly value any contribution you'd like to make in your estate planning. A financial bequest or the donation of all or part of your collection would help us greatly as we fund our projects moving forward. You can designate a specific purpose, such as underwriting the APIC Smithsonian Internship or a marketing campaign to help attract new members.

Your bequest or donation also will help us maintain the publication of the Keynoter and the Political Bandwagon without the need to raise membership dues to the rising cost of printing and postage.

If you have questions, please contact APIC President Tony Lee or tonylee08560@gmail.com or call him at 609-310-0817. Thank you!



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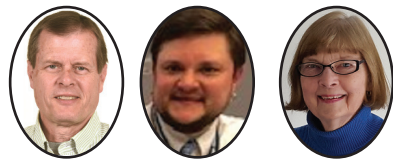
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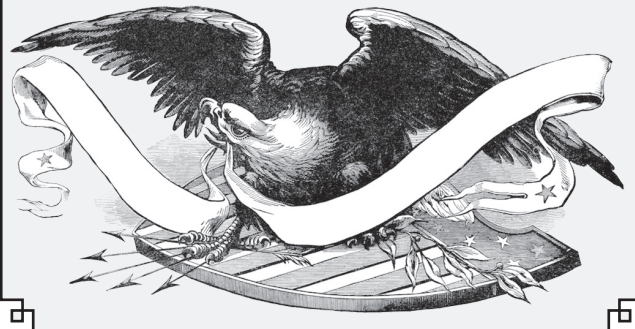


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FEB 21, 2026 - SOUTH FLORIDA POLITICAL & HISTORICAL COLLECTIBLES SHOW Sat., Feb 21 at Palm Beach Gardens Moose Lodge, 3600 RCA Blvd., Palm Beach Gardens, FL 33410. Show hours: 9 a.m.-3 p.m. Dealer 6' tables \$55/ea. Room hopping: Thurs.2/19 & Fri.2/20 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 \$129. 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 OR trbuttons@aol.com **(See our ad on pg7)**

MAR 28, 2026 - NATIONAL CAPITAL CHAPTER 26TH ANNUAL POLITICAL MEMORABILIA SHOW & SALE from 10am - 3pm 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/night. To reserve your room, use this link online. <https://www.hilton.com/en/attend-my-event/jadmrfh->

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THE MUSEUM OF DEMOCRACY *(Continued from page 19. . .)*

The Museum of Democracy, and his daughter, Mackenzie Wright Brumberg.

In his capacity as Chairman, Austin has been able to share Jordan's collection with the world through the Museum and its national exhibitions. As Wright continues to grow his father's collection, his emphasis is on ensuring it remains accessible to all, particularly the younger generations, to educate them about freedom and democracy and inspire them to engage in the political process. In addition to being Chairman, Wright is a strategic advisor, business consultant, fundraiser, and investor. He is an avid supporter of various non-profit organizations, including the Metropolitan Museum of Art, the Israel Museum, Alzheimer's Drug Discovery Foundation, the American Federation for Children, and Alice Cooper's Solid Rock, among others. He and his wife, Madison, divide their time between New York City and Paradise Valley, Arizona.

"Welcome to the wide, wacky world of democracy." wrote Barbara Hoffman in her article "Get an up close look at the weirdest campaign gear ever" for the *New York Post* about the "Campaigning for the Presidency: 1960-1972" exhibit at the New-York Historical Society, Central Park West; NYHistory.org

Sources:
www.museumofdemocracy.org/

"Sometimes I feel like a fire hydrant looking at a pack of dogs."

-- Bill Clinton

FOR SALE: 1943 BRICKER/MACARTHUR stamp sheet with copy of 2 page New York Times article explaining their issuance. Another dealer charged \$55 for one stamp, Anderson Auction sold a sheet for \$433.55. I offer a full sheet of 8 for \$50 plus \$5 postage. Mark Warda, Box 8, Lake Wales, FL 33859, mark@warda.net. APIC #1959



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SAVE THE DATE

2026 APIC NATIONAL CONVENTION

JULY 27-AUG 1, 2026 Location: Double Tree Hotel North Shore, Danvers, MA. Guest Room Rates: \$149 + tax per night. A shuttle is being planned to bring members from Logan Airport in Boston to the Doubletree hotel in Danvers. Convention highlights. Sale/Bourse Days: open Thurs, Fri & Sat. Member's Auction: Thurs night. Banquet: Fri night. For general questions, join our Facebook Group: [facebook.com/groups/apic2026](https://www.facebook.com/groups/apic2026). For specific needs contact Susan Roman at reganroman@comcast.net or 603-534-0157, or Mike Dunham at burdun@comcast.net or 617-212-4249.

(SEE REGISTRATION FORM on page 17)

SEND YOUR SHOW INFO TO polbandwgn@aol.com

"Any man who does not like dogs and want them about does not deserve to be in the White House." — Calvin Coolidge.

"Whether the Creator planned it so, or environment and human companionship have made it so, men may learn richly through the love and fidelity of a brave and devoted dog." -- Warren G. Harding

"If you want a friend in Washington? Get a dog" -- Harry Truman

"I care not much for a man's religion whose dog and cat are not better for it." -- Abraham Lincoln

"How many legs does a dog have if you call the tail a leg? Four. Calling a tail a leg doesn't make it a leg." -- Abraham Lincoln

"If a dog will not come to you after he has looked you in the face, you should go home and examine your conscience." -- Woodrow Wilson

"Even on my most difficult and challenging days as President, Ranger and Millie brought great joy to my life. There is nothing like the unconditional love of a dog to help you get through the rough spots." —George H.W. Bush

WHITE HOUSE PETS *(Continued from page 9. . .)*

could give no greater honor than to erect a fitting monument to his memory ... the plan is for every newsboy in the country to give one penny."

The poster was nationally distributed and newsboys around the country sprang into action, collecting 19,314 copper pennies that were used to create a life-size bronze statue of Laddie Boy that now resides at the National Museum of American History in Washington, D.C. Today, it is a monument to a bygone era. (<https://www.cleveland.com/opinion/2025/01/nearly-100-years-ago-a-dog-named-laddie-boy-captured-the-hearts-and-gritty-spirit-of-americas-newsboys-harvey-rachlin.html>.)

Calvin Coolidge may not have liked people, but he did like animals. **"Any man who does not like dogs and want them about does not deserve to be in the White House."** — Calvin Coolidge. The Coolidge pets included a dozen dogs with some well-known names including Rob Roy, Peter Pan, Calamity Jane, Tiny Tim, and King Cole among them. Then add half a dozen birds, two cats, a raccoon, a goose, a donkey, a bobcat, and two lion cubs along with a wallaby, a pygmy hippopotamus, and a black bear. That's a total of 26 animals, second only to Teddy Roosevelt's gang. Theodore Roosevelt and Calvin Coolidge had extensive and unusual menageries during their presidencies.

Grace Coolidge became enamored with white collies after seeing one perform in a circus.

She purchased Rob Roy, born around 1922, from Stephen C. Radford Jr.'s Island White Kennels in Oshkosh, WI, according to the Calvin Coolidge Presidential Library & Museum as well as other sources. Although the dog's name originally was Oshkosh, the First Lady changed it to Rob Roy, after a popular cocktail. The name shows a bit of whimsy since it was the time of Prohibition in the United States.

... In fact, Rob Roy became the first dog to be part of an official First Family photo portrait on June 30, 1924. The portrait is poignant because shortly after it was taken, one of the Coolidges' son, 16-year-old Cal, was in such a hurry to change his clothes that he did not wear socks. A resulting toe blister became infected, and the teenager died from the wound just a week after the photo was taken.

Rob Roy is immortalized in this painting with First Lady Grace Coolidge painting [by Howard Chandler Christy.] It hangs prominently on the south wall of the China Room in the White House, and was said to be Jackie Kennedy's favorite White House painting.

... Because the dog was so much a part of the family, the First Lady insisted on having Rob Roy pose with her for her official White House painting in 1924.

When she debated wearing a red dress against a blue background, her husband, known for his dry wit, suggested she could also achieve a red-white-and-blue theme by wearing a white dress and dyeing Rob Roy red.

Coolidge did like the resulting painting and sent a photograph of it to the dog's breeder, who responded, "Fine picture of the dog. Send more photographs." ([PresidentialPetMuseum.com](https://www.petmuseum.com/))

The Great Depression apparently did not have any effect on the Hoover pets with nine dogs, including one named King Tut and another named Big Ben; There was also a canary (Caruso). Wonder if the canary could actually sing?

In 1928, candidate Herbert Hoover was well known for organizing relief efforts during World War I and for serving as the U.S. commerce secretary, "but he had a reputation for being a little stiff. People didn't know much about his personal life," Hager says. His campaign sought to rectify this by distributing photos of a smiling Hoover with his Belgian shepherd, King Tut. Candidate Hoover became President Hoover. Hager notes, "That's probably the first example we have in presidential politics of someone using an animal specifically during an election to garner votes."



Fala & FDR



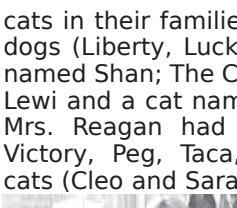
Pushinka

On to the modern presidents. All of those with pets were conventional with mostly dogs or cats. No unusual pets like some of the TR animals. Ike and Mamie had two dogs (Heidi and Gabbie). JFK had eleven dogs, a cat, and two hamsters along with Macaroni (Caroline's pony at left) and a horse (which was Jackie's).

As a good will gesture toward the United States, Soviet Premier Nikita Khrushchev gave First Lady Jacqueline Kennedy a dog named Pushinka, which means "fluffy" in Russian. She was the daughter of Strelka, the first Russian dog in space. Some Americans were suspicious of the gift and believed the dog might be wearing a listening device. She of course was checked for such a device before being allowed in the White House. Eventually, Pushinka won everybody



First Lady Grace Coolidge & her racoon, Rebecca, LOC



Susan, First Lady Betty, & Pres. Ford with Liberty and puppies, 9/16/1975



First Lady Jill Biden with Major & Champ

over, especially Charlie, the Kennedy's Welsh terrier, who became the father of her 'pupniks' (so named by the president).

LBJ similarly had six dogs including Him and Her, who got him in trouble by pulling them up by their ears, along with Edgar, Blanco, Freckles, and Yuki. He also had hamsters. President Nixon's four dogs were named Vicky, Pasha, the infamous Checkers, and King Timahoe.

The rest of our presidents were even more conventional with only dogs and cats in their families. Gerry Ford had three dogs (Liberty, Lucky, and Misty), and a cat named Shan; The Carters had a dog named Lewi and a cat named Misty. President and Mrs. Reagan had six dogs (Lucky, Rex, Victory, Peg, Taca, and Fuzzy), and two cats (Cleo and Sara). George H.W. Bush had Mille and Mille's puppy Ranger. The Clinton's two pets were a dog (Buddy) and a famous cat named Socks; George W. Bush had four animals – a cat named Willie and three dogs (Spot, Barney, and Miss Beazley). President Obama's family had only two dogs: Bo and Sunny. Joe Biden had three dogs – Champ, Commander, and Major and a cat named Willow. And finally, in both his first term and his current term, Donald Trump has had no pets. He is the first president in nearly 150 years not to have a pet.

But that's not all, folks! At least three U.S. presidents had goldfish as pets in the White House: Grover Cleveland, Herbert Hoover, and Ronald Reagan. During his non-consecutive terms (1885-1889 and 1893-1897), President Cleveland and First Lady Frances Cleveland had a variety of animals, including hundreds of fish. Some of the fish were exotic, while others were standard goldfish. The fish were kept in pools inside the White House conservatories, including the Rose and Orchid conservatories. President Hoover (1929-1933) had a large menagerie of pets, which included 11 goldfish along with three frogs and two alligators.

There is a great fish story in a 1985 article regarding the first Geneva summit between Reagan & Gorbachev...

As he prepares for his summit talks, President Reagan is following an 11-year-old's instructions -- please feed the goldfish. The fish belongs to the son of Princess Salida and Prince Aga Khan, who live in La Maison de Saussure, Reagan's residence during the summit talks. The boy, Hussain, left a note for the president asking him to feed his pet goldfish while the Reagans stay at the Aga Khan's 18th century mansion in Geneva, Elaine Crispin, Nancy Reagan's press secretary, said Monday. 'The boy wrote a personal note to the president asking him to feed his fish,' Crispin said. 'The president is following his instructions.'

The goldfish are in the boy's second-floor bedroom, which Reagan is using as his study to prepare for the summit talks today and Wednesday with Soviet leader Mikhail Gorbachev.

Four years earlier following the 1981 assassination attempt on President Reagan, a 10-year-old boy sent him a goldfish named Ronald Reagan the Second. White House staff kept the goldfish in a former jelly bean bowl. According to a 2021 report, the goldfish was a beloved companion to the president, and when it passed away, it was given a small funeral.

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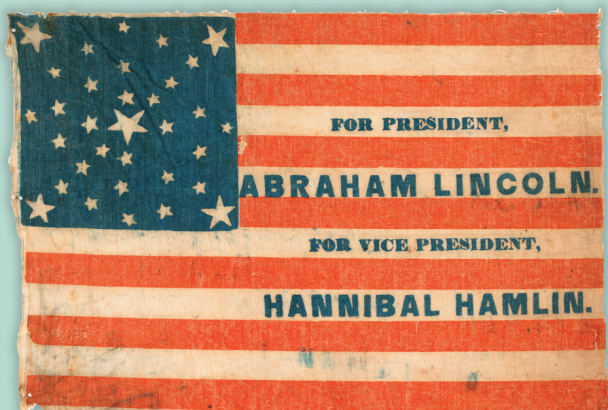
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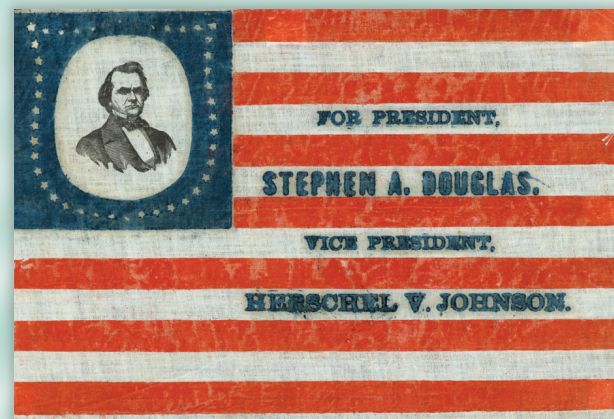
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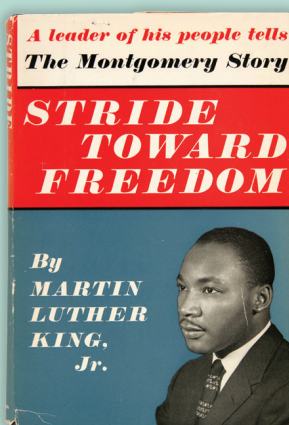
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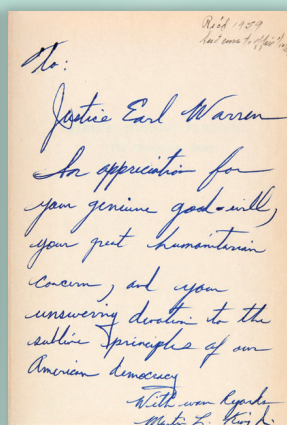
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