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Collecting American Political History

SECOND IN COMMAND

by Harvey Goldberg



John Adams

In 1789, John Adams became the first Vice President of the United States under the country's first President, George Washington. The Vice President of the United States is the second-highest officer in the executive branch of the federal government after the President of the United States. Although the position of Vice President did not exist under the Continental Congresses or the Articles of Confederation, the framers of the Constitution used policies from state governments to establish it in the new Federal government. Before the Revolution, lieutenant governors presided over the governors' councils of the royal colonies, which also acted as upper houses of the legislatures. This system was adapted in some states after the Revolution, such as in New York, where the lieutenant governor presided over the state senate.

There have been 50 U.S. VPs since the office was created in 1789. We got our 50th on Election Day in November. Originally, the Vice President was the person who received the second-most votes for President in the Electoral College. But after the election of 1800 produced a tie between Thomas Jefferson and Aaron Burr that required the House of Representatives to choose between them, lawmakers passed legislation to prevent a recurrence. Originally electors cast a separate ballot for the presidency and the Vice Presidency. Amendment Twelve to the Constitution was ratified on June 15, 1804. It revised the procedure of how Presidents and Vice Presidents are elected, specifically so that they are elected together. Previously, this system elected the candidate with the most electoral votes to become the President, while the candidate with the second-highest number would become Vice President.

That Amendment also provides that "no person constitutionally ineligible to the office of President [such as having served two full terms] shall be eligible to that of Vice President of the United States." The Vice President constitutionally has two official roles: to succeed the President if the President dies, resigns, or is removed from office; The Vice President may also become the 'Acting President' if the President cannot perform the duties of his office temporarily. In addition, the Vice President also serves as president of the Senate and is empowered to break any tied votes.

The average age for those who entered the Vice Presidency is 54.8 years. John Adams and Hubert Humphrey were this age when they became Vice President under Thomas Jefferson and Lyndon Johnson respectively. The VP is first in the line of presidential succession. Two Vice Presidents—George Clinton (Jefferson & Madison) and John C. Calhoun (John Quincy Adams and Andrew Jackson) held office under two different Presidents. Of those who ascended to the presidency, nine were elevated to the office on the death of a president and five of those were later elected to the office in their own right.



J. C. Breckinridge

The youngest person to become VP was John C. Breckinridge (left), at the age of 36 years, 47 days. Serving only one term, he became and still the youngest at the time of leaving office; the oldest at the time of entering office was Alben W. Barkley (Truman), at the age of 71 years, 57 days. Ailing with tuberculosis and recovering in Cuba on Inauguration Day in 1853, William Rufus King (L-Franklin Pierce), by an Act of Congress, was allowed to take the oath outside the United States. He is the only Vice President to take his oath of office in a foreign country.

Before the 25th Amendment was adopted in 1967, an in-term vacancy in the office of the Vice President could not be filled until the next post-election inauguration. Eight such vacancies occurred: seven VPs died, one resigned and eight succeeded to the presidency. This amendment allowed for a vacancy to be filled through appointment by the President and confirmation by both the House and Senate. Since its ratification, the Vice Presidency has been vacant twice (both due to scandals during the Nixon years) and was filled both times through this process — following Spiro Agnew's 1973 resignation and again in 1974 after Gerald Ford succeeded to the presidency. The amendment also established a procedure allowing a Vice President to temporarily assume the powers and duties of the office as Acting President if necessary. Three VPs have briefly acted as President under the 25th Amendment: George H. W. Bush on July 13, 1985; Dick Cheney on June 29, 2002, and on July 21, 2007; and Kamala Harris on November 19, 2021.



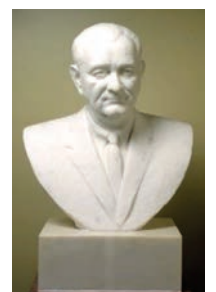
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J. N. Garner



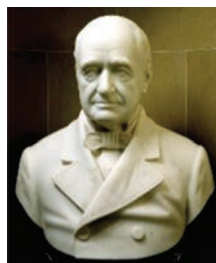
Henry Wallace



LBJ



Thomas Marshall



Hannibal Hamlin

John Adams called the Vice Presidency "the most insignificant office that ever the invention of man contrived or his imagination conceived." FDR's first Vice President, John Nance Garner, was famously quoted as saying it wasn't "worth a bucket of warm spit" (though his exact words remain disputed). Thomas Marshall said, "I was the Wilson administration's spare tire - to be used only in case of emergency." Two Vice Presidents, Hannibal Hamlin (Lincoln) and Henry Wallace (FDR), were dropped from the ticket after their first term, only to see their successors become President. Prior to the 1960 election, Lyndon Johnson said he was "not interested in the Vice Presidency," saying he "wouldn't want to trade my vote for a gavel." According to records, "In Truman's 82 days as Vice President, he didn't get a single intelligence briefing."

For over a century early Vice Presidents largely spent almost all of their time presiding over the Senate and concentrating on legislative (Continued on page 16...)

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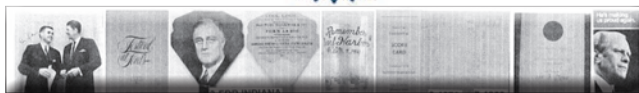
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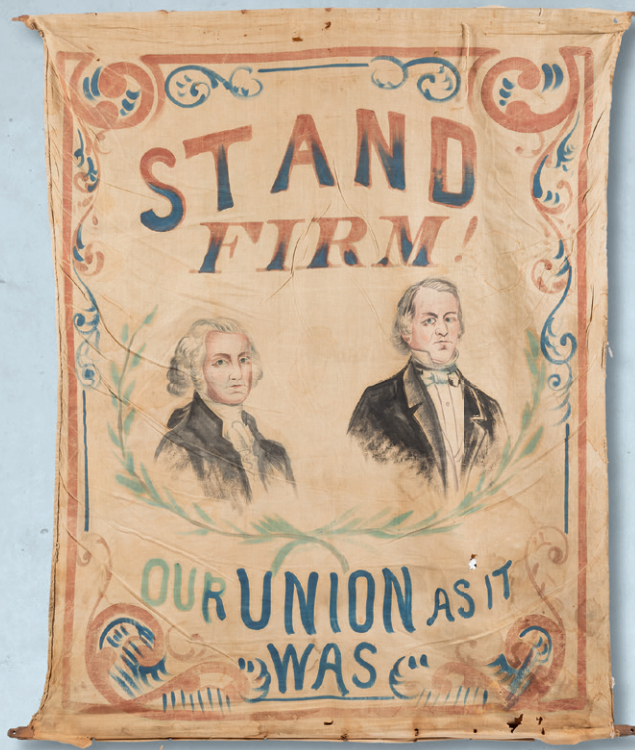
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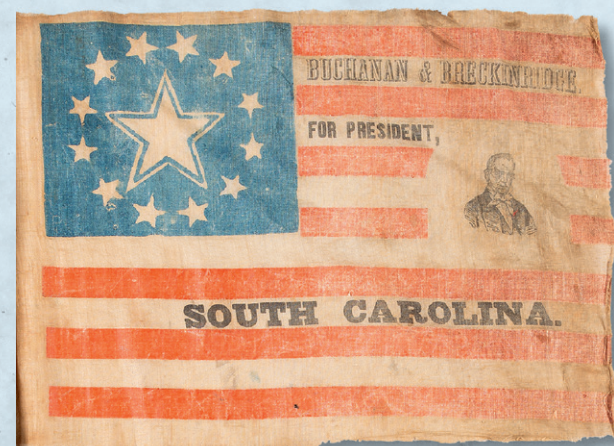
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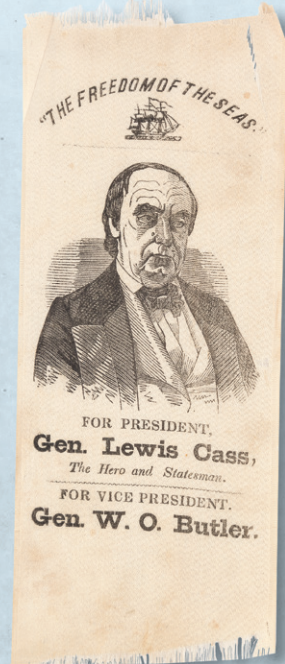
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TWEED ROOSEVELT, University Professor, Chairman of the Theodore Roosevelt Institute and President of the Society of Presidential Descendants, is the great-grandson of President Theodore Roosevelt, a member of one of the most respected families in the United States.

Tweed Roosevelt led the effort to award President Theodore Roosevelt the Congressional Medal of Honor, the United States' highest military honor. President Bill Clinton formally awarded the Medal posthumously, in 2001. The award is prominently displayed in the White House's Roosevelt Room, adjacent to the Oval Office.

Tweed Roosevelt has taught at Harvard University and Columbia University's School of Business. He holds a BA from Harvard College, an MBA from Columbia University, and a Doctorate of Humane Letters.

Over the years, Mr. Roosevelt has done much to further the memory and ideals of Theodore Roosevelt. He has lectured and taught about TR at numerous institutions and schools around the world, including Harvard, Marshall, and Santa Clara Universities, ranging from single lectures to a 20-hour course that involved as guest speakers most of the well-known historians of TR. He has also lectured on a wide range of other subjects, including conservation and the environment, hunting, politics, literature, history, mathematics, Japanese-American relations, and exploration, and has retraced many of TR's adventures in the American West, Africa, and the Amazon. He has appeared on numerous television documentaries and radio programs and was awarded the prestigious Telly Award for his public service announcement on Presidential log cabins.

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Auctions on Parade

By Michael McQuillen
ANDERSON #211

This year, Anderson Auctions of Troy, Ohio closed their sale #211. Here we will take a look at many of the interesting items that sold in the \$1200 and up range. A cardboard "bang gun" supporting Warren Harding for president, Jake Preus for governor and various other Minnesota candidates in 1920 shot up to \$1180 (all prices realized include an 18% Buyer's Premium and are rounded to the nearest dollar.) A 7/8" Hoo But Hoover California Poppy Pin grew to \$1265. Beautifully framed was a Roosevelt, Garner Tire Cover which rolled to \$1380.

Pin-back buttons did well in the sale, an I'm for Harry Truman unusual picture cello measuring 1 3/4" sold for \$1380. Manufactured in Indianapolis was a 1 1/4" McKinley, Bryan Eclipse Pin which set at \$1416. Truly classic, a Roosevelt, Garner for Repeal and Prosperity jugate picture button flew to \$1495.



Bryan, Sewall Silver Bird Mechanical Pin complete with a tiny gold bug in its beak managed \$1495. Picturing hos farm at Ashland, Kentucky was a Henry Clay 1884 Whig Convention Ribbon which was gaveled down at \$1495. A Smith, Comstock Michigan Coattail Badge in great condition got to \$1652.

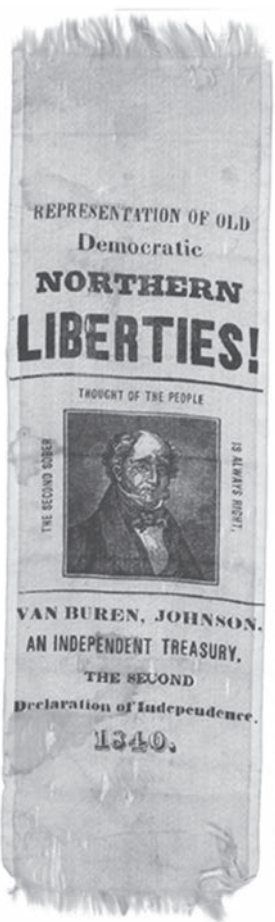
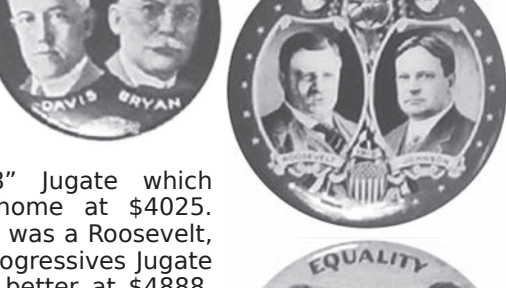
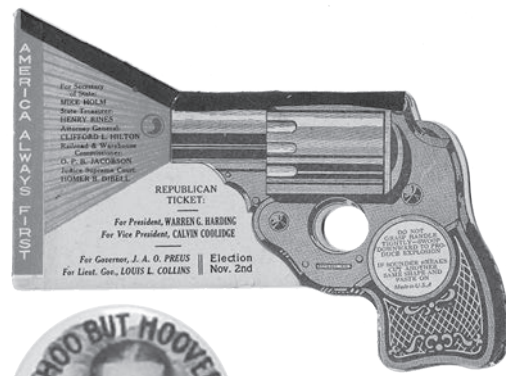
An attractive McKinley-Roosevelt jugate poster from 1900 was tacked up at \$1770. Next is a highly sought-after 7/8" pin picturing the youthful Harry Truman running for Eastern Court District Judge in Missouri - with an \$1840 judgment. Measuring 1 1/4" was a Debs, Harriman 1900 Socialist Jugate which ended at \$1888.

With a little aging was a Charles Fremont, William Dayton rare 7 inch anti-slavery jugate ribbon from 1856 that came in a \$1955. Small but mighty, a Harding, Coolidge Rare 1920 Jugate peaked at \$2006. Another great ribbon, a Van Buren Old Democratic Northern Liberties Ribbon was chased to \$3450.



Hard to find was a Davis and Bryan Rare 1924 7/8" Jugate which found a new home at \$4025. Another rare pin was a Roosevelt, Johnson 1912 Progressives Jugate which did even better at \$4888. Some light spotting afforded one bidder the opportunity to add a Roosevelt, Booker T. Washington Equality Pin to their collection for \$5463.

Seldom offered, a Taft Our Presidents Past, Present and



Future picturing Taft, McKinley and Roosevelt which measured 1 1/4" got to \$5750.

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MASSEE MCKINLEY's paternal ancestor is the 25th US President William McKinley. He is the great-great nephew of McKinley. McKinley's maternal ancestor is the 22nd and 24th US President Grover Cleveland. McKinley is the founding partner of Peerage Communications, LLC, an executive and political communications boutique consulting firm headquartered in Atlanta, Georgia. He has written for the likes of Delta Airlines, The Coca-Cola Company, LVMH (Louis Vuitton), Hermès and Ferragamo. McKinley has also written for three former United States House Speakers.

LYNDA JOHNSON ROBB's passionate interest in children's literature led her more than 50 years ago to volunteer to read to children in hospitals, where she discovered that many children wanted and needed books so badly that hospital staff let them take home the books she brought to read. This experience prompted her involvement in 1968 to become a founding member of the Board Reading is Fundamental (RIF) and worked on the board until 2013.

From 1996 until 2001, she served as the Chairman of the RIF Board of Directors. She has traveled nationwide to rally community and business support for RIF programs and to meet with the local volunteers who operate RIF programs. "My fellow RIF volunteers tell me that they are motivated today by the same reward I've been fortunate enough to experience since RIF's early days—the look on children's faces when they're selecting RIF books or when someone is reading to them and the deep satisfaction of helping children develop a love for reading that will serve them throughout their lives," she said.

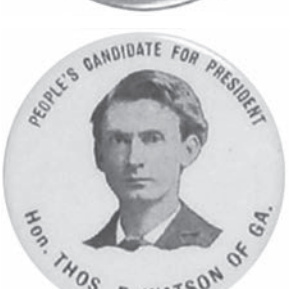
Robb fondly lists her current profession as "professional volunteer". She has served many organizations, focusing on the condition of children and women especially on health and education. In addition to her work on behalf of RIF, she is president of the National Home Library Foundation. She also is a member of the board of the Lyndon Baines Johnson Foundation which supports the LBJ Library and School.

She has served as a member of the Selection (Continued on next page...)

The two top selling pins of the day, both pictured Thomas Watson of Georgia who was the Populist Party candidate for president in 1904 and 1908. First, a rare 1 1/4 inch celluloid with a mention of his state as well as his image rose to \$6325. Finally, the biggie of the day was an exceptionally rare third-party campaign pin picturing Populists Watson and VP nominee Thomas Tibbles. It greatly exceeded expectations with an \$8625 result.

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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@politicalparade.com or through his web-site: www.PoliticalParade.com



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Board of the President's Commission on White House Fellowships. Among her past affiliations include a presidential appointment by Jimmy Carter to serve as chair of the President's Advisory Committee for Women (1979-1981), chair of the Virginia's Women Cultural History Project (1982-1985), Vice Chair of Americans Promise and chair of the Virginia Task Force on Infant Mortality. She also received a congressional appointment to serve as commissioner of the National Commission to Prevent Infant Mortality (1989-1996). She is currently serving on the Library of Congress Literacy Rubenstein Awards board.

She attended George Washington University and is an honors graduate of the University of Texas, where she earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in history. In 1992, she was inducted in the Phi Beta Kappa Society, Alpha Chapter of the District of Columbia. She received an honorary Doctor of Humane Letters from Washington and Lee University and an honorary Doctor of Public Service from Norwich University. She is the recipient of numerous civic awards and honors.

Robb is the daughter of President Lyndon Baines Johnson and Claudia Taylor "Lady Bird" Johnson. She is married to former Virginia Governor and U.S. Senator Charles S. Robb, is the mother of three daughters, and has five grandchildren.

CLIFTON TRUMAN DANIEL is the oldest grandson of President Harry S. Truman and his wife, Bess. He is the son of author Margaret Truman and former New York Times Managing Editor E. Clifton Daniel Jr. Mr. Daniel is honorary chairman of the board of the Truman Library Institute, nonprofit partner of the Truman Presidential Library and Museum in Independence, MO, and board secretary of the Harry S. Truman Scholarship Foundation. He is the author of *Growing Up With My Grandfather: Memories of Harry S. Truman and Dear Harry, Love Bess: Bess Truman's Letters to Harry Truman, 1919-1943*. He is currently portraying his grandfather in the one-man stage show, *Give 'Em Hell Harry*, as well as writing and lecturing on the Truman presidency.

"Civics education is an engine driving this country forward. As my grandfather said, 'Progress occurs when courageous, skillful leaders seize the opportunity to change things for the better.'"

STEPHEN "AUSTIN" HAYES, JR. was born in Washington DC and grew up in the suburbs of Potomac, MD. He is the oldest of three children to Stephen and Theo Tuomey Hayes. He is the 3rd great grandson to Rutherford B. Hayes, our country's 19th president. Austin attended the University of Hartford and has been in the advertising industry for 15 years. He currently resides in New York, NY working for Publicis Groupe.

To be eligible to join the Society, you must be a direct descendant of a President of the United States, or become a friend/student friend of The Society of Presidential Descendants. The Board of Trustees must approve the application of admission. There are three Membership Levels as described here:

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SECOND IN COMMAND

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matters. But more recent Vice Presidents have taken a more active role, serving as trusted aides and advisors to the President, representing their administration on important policy issues, both foreign and domestic, going far beyond those specific duties outlined in the U.S. Constitution. In general, their role as an advisor has become their most significant function.

However, it isn't just about agreeing on political or policy decisions. Presidents cannot just fire their Vice President like they can a member of their Cabinet, so their working relationship is critical. One writer put it succinctly: "It's at least a four-year marriage, so you better be cautious about who you select because compatibility, establishing and maintaining a relationship truly matters".

The first big change to the Vice Presidency came during the Eisenhower administration. Ike moved the Office of the Vice President into the executive branch. But the greatest change to the status of the Vice Presidency came from President Jimmy Carter, who involved his Vice President — Walter Mondale — into the daily operations of the West Wing for the first time in history.

President Carter met with Vice President Mondale each week, invited him to government meetings, gave him staff support and told White House aides to "treat a request from Mondale the same as one from himself".

Jimmy Carter believed that the Vice Presidency had been a wasted asset and it was his responsibility to make certain that his VP was completely prepared to assume the presidency if needed. He conducted the most intensive search for a running mate up to that time, with background checks, consultations with many Americans, and interviews with seven finalists. In Senator Walter Mondale (D-Minn.), Carter found an extraordinarily able running mate who was politically and personally compatible.

Carter and Mondale did not always agree on policy or tactics. But Carter involved Mondale in most of his decisions and welcomed his advice, even on critical events. He solicited Mondale's views and included Mondale in campaign briefings and press conferences, frequently including him in speeches and in significant meetings.

Mondale's term marked the first time a Vice President served as a central part of White House decision-making and implementation on an ongoing basis. Carter's five successors—three Republicans and two Democrats—have differed in their approaches to the presidency, their ideologies and their personalities. Yet each has adopted the central features of the Vice Presidency Carter and Mondale created.

When Ronald Reagan defeated Jimmy Carter in the 1980 election, Reagan's Vice President, George H.W. Bush, stated in a New York Times interview that he hoped to follow his predecessor's approach to his new job, noting that the "Mondale model is a very good model [for the Vice Presidency]." This idea of a more active, more influential Vice President would become the outline for future administrations.

To some of the framers of the Constitution, appointing the Vice President as the president of the Senate violated the concept of separation of powers. Elbridge Gerry (left), who would later serve as Madison's Vice President, declared that the framers "might as well put the President himself as head of the legislature." As it turned out, prior to the 20th century Vice Presidents rarely attended cabinet meetings or even became involved in executive branch business.

Just how much VPs were involved in Senate activity as the upper body's president varied throughout the 19th Century. John Adams played an active role, lobbying senators to vote against legislation he opposed and frequently lecturing Senators on procedural and policy matters. Thomas Jefferson devoted his four-year term to preparing his Manual of Parliamentary Practice, which he hoped would allow him and his successors to preside over the Senate with "fairness, intelligence, and consistency". John C. Calhoun of South Carolina, who served as Vice President under both John Quincy Adams and Andrew Jackson, took an active role in Senate business. A scrupulous guardian of the Senate's written rules, he greatly disapproved the lack of respect given to its unwritten customs and practices.

Some Vice Presidents, such as George M. Dallas, Levi P. Morton, and Garret A. Hobart, studied the Senate's rules and precedents and presided successfully. Others were less engaged with the daily work of the Senate. Henry Wilson, who served as Ulysses S. Grant's second VP, used his time in office to write a three-volume history of the opposition to slavery during his tenure. It was incomplete when he died in his Capitol office in 1875.

The Vice Presidency in the 19th century seldom led to the White House. Of the 21 individuals who held that office from 1805 to 1899, only Martin Van Buren was subsequently elected president. Four others succeeded to the presidency when the incumbent died, none of whom later won election in their own name.

Before becoming president, Joe Biden served as President Barack Obama's Vice President for eight years and acknowledged the importance of being both an active participant in the Oval Office and second chair to the president. "It seems to me the most significant thing that has to occur," Biden stated on MSNBC in 2016. "You have to be simpatico ideologically with the president and you have to understand there's a 'V' in front of your name. You're the Vice President."

Indiana elected Mike Pence to Congress six times. He helped make government smaller, more effective, and returned powers to the state and local governments. He was elected Governor of Indiana in 2013, and his record of



legislative experience, along with family values, prompted Donald Trump to select Mike Pence as his 2016 running mate and subsequently as Vice President. Pence also famously stood up to Trump in the waning days of Trump's presidential term, when on Jan. 6, 2021, Pence refused to block the certification of the 2020 presidential election results, which had made Biden the winner.

On January 20, 2021, Kamala Harris was sworn in as Vice President — the first woman, the first Black American, and the first South Asian American to be elected to this position. As Vice President, she has led the right to live safe from gun violence, the freedom to vote, and the freedom to drink clean water and breathe clean air. While making history at home, she also represents the nation abroad — embarking on more than a dozen foreign trips, traveling to more than 19 countries, and meeting with more than 150 world leaders to strengthen critical global alliances. On July 21, 2024, Vice President Harris announced her 2024 campaign for President with Minnesota Governor Tim Walz as her running mate. ELECTION DAY, Tuesday, November 5, 2024, gave us a new President (Donald Trump) and Vice President (J. D. Vance).

Incidentally, the U.S. Congress has a complete set of ceramic busts of every individual who has served as the Vice President of the United States. The Senate's Bust Collection is a significant part of the Senate's fine art collection. The Joint Committee on the Library of Congress, acting under a resolution of May 13, 1886, began commissioning busts of the Vice Presidents to occupy the niches in the new Senate Chamber. After the first busts filled the locations that surrounded the Chamber, new additions were placed throughout the Senate wing of the Capitol. The collection documents the individuals who have served as Vice President and pays tribute to their role as president of the Senate. As of this time, busts of Vice Presidents Joe Biden, Michael R. Pence, and Kamala Harris have not been completed. J.D. Vance's bust has not yet been commissioned.



US Navel Observatory at Number One Observatory Circle refurbished the house to serve as a residence for the Vice President by 1974 agreement with Congress.

Three years passed before any Vice President actually lived there. Vice President Gerald Ford acceded to the Presidency before he could use the home, and his Vice President, Nelson Rockefeller, only used it for entertaining. Walter Mondale was the first Vice President to move into the home. Since that time, it has been home to the families of Vice Presidents Bush, Quayle, Gore, Cheney, Biden, and Pence. Vance will join this list on Inauguration Day 2025. Incidentally, the Vice President's salary is \$400,000 per year. The Vice President also receives an expense allowance of \$50,000.

In addition to the Vice President's Office in the West Wing, the Vice Presidents and their staff maintain a set of offices in the Eisenhower Executive Office Building (EEOB), located next to the West Wing of the White House. This office, called the Vice President's Ceremonial Office, was originally used as the Secretary of Navy's office from 1879 to 1923. From 1923 to 1947, General John Pershing occupied the office initially as the Army Chief of Staff then as the Chairman of the Battle and Monuments Commission, becoming the longest single occupant of this room (24 years). Additionally, President Hoover used the office for three months following a Christmas Eve fire in the West Wing in 1929.

Since 1960 it has been used as the Vice President's Ceremonial Office with the exception of Vice President Hubert Humphrey, because Lyndon Johnson did not give up the office when he became President after the Kennedy assassination.

One of the more historical items in the room is the Vice President's Desk. According to the White House Archives, this desk is part of the White House collection, was constructed in 1902 and was commissioned to be built for Theodore Roosevelt's use in the Oval Office. Several important figures have used the desk including Presidents Taft, Wilson, Harding, Coolidge, and for a few months, Hoover. The desk was placed in storage early on during Herbert Hoover's Presidency where it remained until 1945 when President Truman then used it. Vice President Lyndon Johnson and all subsequent Vice Presidents (except Hubert Humphrey) have used the desk. Since the 1940s, various users have signed the inside of the top drawer including: Vice Presidents Biden, Cheney, Gore, Quayle, G.H.W. Bush, Mondale, and Rockefeller; and Presidents Truman and Eisenhower.

VP Cheney signs the inside of the top drawer of his desk (1/12/2009). White House photo by David Bohrer.

Today, the Vice President also uses the office for meetings and press interviews.

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VP Joe Biden signs the desk drawer (1/6/2017), adding his name alongside his predecessors.

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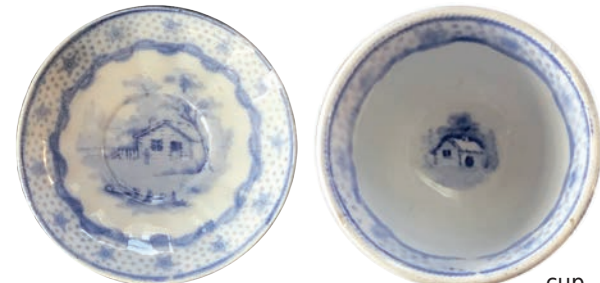
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W402-\$465.00 HENRY CLAY CIGAR BOX Wood with glued paper decoration inside the lid, 5-5/8" x 4.75" x 3-7/8", used, circa period or near period. Portrait of Henry Clay on decorative paper inside the double metal hinged lid w/text above: "Fabrica de Tabacos, Julian Alvarez, Habana." The paper has three scratches across the portrait, shows wear and has age related discoloration. Inside the box the text says "Smoke The Henry Clay Cigars." On the front of the box: "Regalia Fina, Factory No. 1020, 3rd Dist., N.Y. 50." The front edge of the box lid shows signs of wear. The top, right & left sides of the box are also pictured. Overall condition is very good.



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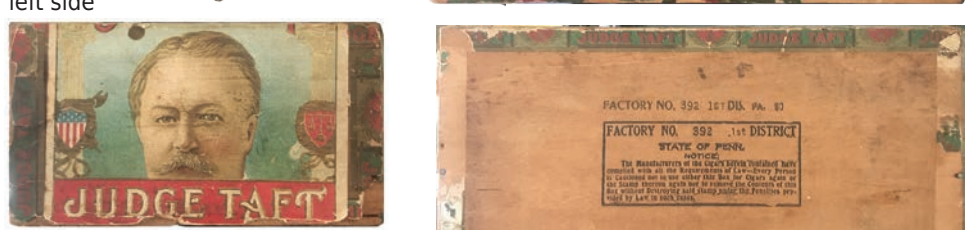
W403-\$325.00 Washington & Jackson portrait half-pint whiskey flask 5.75" blown glass. Air bubbles are visible in the glass. Inside the neck of the bottle there is a jagged edge around one of the bubbles.



W405-\$200.00 Figural sculpture 2.5" high x 1" dia., painted one piece ceramic beer mug novelty. 1.25" "We Want Beer" cello attached to handle by a ribbon. Donkey w/tongue out plays in beer suds. "Good Luck" on interior of lid. "Beer for Prosperity" on mug. Small chip end of nose, hooves, & foam. Playful anti-Prohibition & pro-FDR artifact.



W406-\$185.00 RARE 9.5" dia x 9" tall Admiral Dewey paper hand fan. Two views shown: open and closed. Used. Shows some wear where the two handles meet. the hinge. 1898 Spanish-American War.

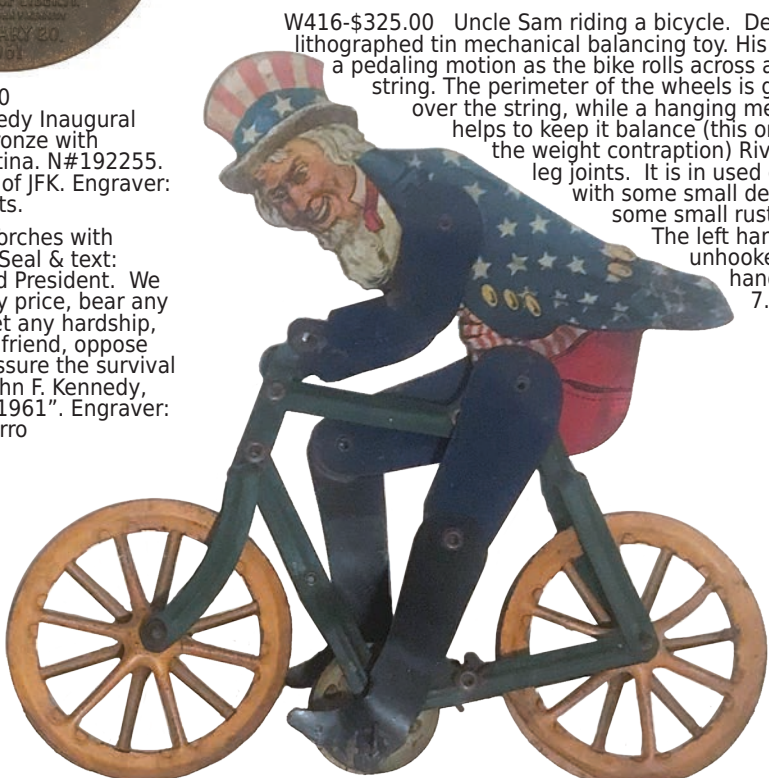


W408-\$125.00 JUDGE TAFT CIGAR BOX Wood with glued paper decoration, used, 10" x 5.5" x 3". Portrait of Judge Taft on decorative paper inside the lid hinged on paper. The paper shows wear at the hinge but the beautiful image shows in very good condition. "5¢ Straight" on banner across upper left corner. Front panel: "Club House, The cigars herein contained were manufactured to retail at not more than five cents each and are so tax paid." The top of the lid has a burned image similar to center of picture inside. Left side paper is a cropped enlargement of inside picture. The bottom is branded with the disclaimer text, "Factory No. 392, 1st Dis. PA. 50. State of Penn. Notice The Manufacturers of the Cigars herein contained have complied with all the Requirements of Law -- Every Person is Cautioned not to use either this Box for Cigars again, or the Stamp thereon again, nor to remove the Contents of this Box without Destroying said stamp, under Penalties provided by Law in such cases." The decorative paper border shows wear.



W415-\$85.00 John F. Kennedy Inaugural medal, 3" bronze with beautiful patina. N#192255. Side 1: Bust of JFK. Engraver: Gilroy Roberts. Reverse: 2 Torches with Presidential Seal & text: "Inaugurated President. We shall pay any price, bear any burden, meet any hardship, support any friend, oppose any foe to assure the survival of liberty. John F. Kennedy, January 20, 1961". Engraver: Frank Gasparro

W412-\$320.00 Because both 1908 major party candidates were named "William" there are numerous campaign items that feature word play on the name "Bill". An upright, fierce looking eagle wears Uncle Sam style striped pants with suspenders and a tiny top hat. A single loose feather lays by his talons. His cartoon balloon says simply "Hello Bill!!" Issued by a group named "Aerie 102" with added text "Elks Harvest Festival Nov-19-08". Back paper: "Wm.H.Hoegee Co. & Allied Printing Trades Council, LA union bug". Terrific graphics, a RARE local issue displaying NEAR MINT. 1.75" (description courtesy of Hakes.com)



W416-\$325.00 Uncle Sam riding a bicycle. Delightful early lithographed tin mechanical balancing toy. His legs make a pedaling motion as the bike rolls across a suspended string. The perimeter of the wheels is grooved to fit over the string, while a hanging metal weight helps to keep it balance (this one is missing the weight contraption) Riveted arm & leg joints. It is in used condition with some small dents and some small rust spots. The left hand is unhooked from handlebar. 7.5"



W414-\$155.00 T.R. JUNIOR CIGAR BOX Wood with glued paper decoration, used, 9.25" x 5" x 2-5/8". Portrait of Theodore Roosevelt on decorative paper inside the lid hinged on paper. The paper shows has a tear above left of the portrait. "5¢ Quality Cigars" on banner across upper left corner. Inside text includes: "A Real Smoke for Better Smokers. Dee-lightfully Good!" The box top has an intricate oval embossed gold/blkw filigree with the initials "T.R.". Front panel: "T.R. Junior. The Cigars herein contained were manufactured to retail at not more than five cents each, and are so taxpaid." The "Tax Paid" seal is stamped "Aug 20 1926". The left side paper is a cropped enlargement of the TR portrait. There are no images on the back or right side of the box. The bottom is branded with the disclaimer text, "Factory No. 64, 1st Dist. PA. 50. State of Pennsylvania. Notice: The Manufacturers of the cigars herein contained have complied with all the requirements of law. Every person is cautioned not to use either this box for cigars again, or the Stamp thereon again, nor to remove the contents of this box without destroying said stamp, under the penalties provided by law in such case."



W417-\$220.00 General Grant domed clear glass 3.25" dia. paperweight



W418-\$75.00 Cast metal trivet 5" dia. with a wonderful patina. Printed around the center medallion: Confederate States of America 22 February 1862 Deo Vindice. Soldier with sword on horseback in center of the medallion. Printed in shield above the medallion are the dates 1861-1865. The medallion is flanked by cannons, then sword hilts, then flags. Outer ring is a wreath with bow at bottom. Reverse: 10-18 C.S.A. Trivet, copyright 1952, V.A. Metal Crafters. On February 22, 1862, Confederate States Army leaders re-installed a federal government in Richmond, Virginia, and enacted the first Confederate draft on April 16, 1862.

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W584-\$24.00 Remember Pearl Harbor 1.25"

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W590-\$40.00 Douglas A-1 Skyraider WW2 thru Vietnam War plastic brooch 1.25" x 1.75" pin back

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Franklin D. Roosevelt had an unusual policy during his campaigns. He never mentioned the name of the opposing candidate, nor did he allow his campaigners to say it.

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ELECTING YOUR OPPONENT - OOPS

T.R. campaigned more for war than for Hughes and induced many voters to pick Wilson as the peace candidate. After the election some New York Democrats who had supported Hughes wired a congratulations to T.R. on the election of Wilson, to which, they said, "you contributed more than any other person in America . . . Wilson ought to give you a Cabinet position, as you elected him, beyond doubt . . . You made Wilson a million votes."

I'LL STICK TO MINE

According to a Jacksonian campaign joke, two political foes met and the first man yelled: "Hurrah for Jackson!" shouted another: "Hurrah for the devil!" "Very well," shot back the first man, "you stick to your candidate, and I'll stick to mine."

Source: Paul F. Boller, Jr. *Presidential Campaigns*. 1984. Oxford University Press

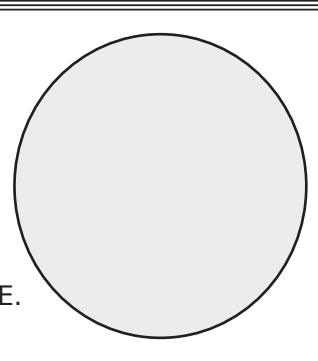
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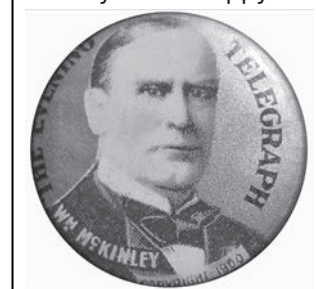


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THE FRUGAL COLLECTOR - Dec 2024

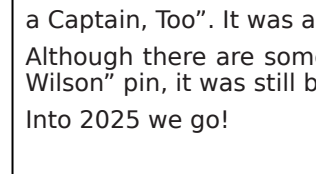
By Mason St. Clair and Scott Jasnoch
This month we take a look at a few items found on the PME Facebook page. We hope everyone has a happy holiday and a happy new year!



First up is this 1 1/4" Taft pin with eagle and shield. It is in excellent condition for being how old it is and it was a quick pickup at \$50.



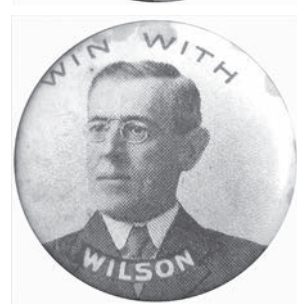
Next up is a slightly off centered 7/8" "The Evening Telegraph" newspaper pin featuring the portrait of William McKinley. An example well worth buying because of the selling price of only \$32.



This 7/8" "First Voters Bryan Club" pin is one you don't see available everyday for just \$24. A fantastic combination of color, style and Bryan!

It doesn't get much simpler than this Willkie 1 1/4" pin saying "Papa:—"I Wanna Be a Captain, Too". It was an easy pick up for only \$6.

Although there are some spots on this 7/8" "Win With Wilson" pin, it was still bought in the end for \$10. Into 2025 we go!



1782 Dec. 5th - Martin van Buren (1782-1862) the 8th U.S. President was born in Kinderhook, New York. He was the first President born after the U.S. Declaration of Independence, making him the first president born as a U.S. citizen. He served from March 4, 1837 to March 3, 1841.

In the presidential election of 1824, the Democratic-Republican Party splintered. Four separate candidates sought the presidency. This splintering had not yet led to a new formal party organization, but later the faction led by Andrew Jackson would become the Democratic Party, while those led by John Quincy Adams and Henry Clay would become the National Republican Party then later the Whig Party.

No candidate received a majority of the electoral vote. So this election is notable for being the only time since the 1804 passage of the Twelfth Amendment where the presidential election was decided by the House of Representatives.

A PRESIDENT ELECTED BY THE HOUSE

When the House of Representatives met on February 9, 1825, to pick a President, it was clear that the vote would be close and that the question of an election on the first ballot turned on the vote of New York. Half of New York's delegation was for John Quincy Adams and the other half was controlled by Martin Van Buren, a Crawford man who was leading the anti-Adams forces. Van Buren wanted a tie in his delegation on the first ballot; it would prevent New York's vote from being cast and thus forestall Adam's election on the first ballot and possibly ensure his eventual defeat.

One of the votes Van Buren was counting on was that of General Stephen Van Rensselaer, the rich and pious Congressman from the Albany district ("the last of the Patroons") who had assured him he intended to vote for Crawford. The old General went to the Capitol on election day firmly resolved to vote against Adams, but on his arrival he was waylaid by Henry Clay and Daniel Webster; they took him into the Speaker's Room and paited a dismal picture of what would happen to the country if Adams wasn't chosen on the first ballot. Van Rensselaer was deeply upset by the encounter and when Delaware's Louis McLane ran into him afterwards he found him practically in tears. "The election turns on my vote," he told McLane. "One vote will give Adams the majority -- this is a responsibility I cannot bear. What shall I do?" "Do!" exclaimed McLane impatiently. "Do what honor, what principles direct. General, you are an old man . . . You want nothing, you have no motive but duty to sway you. Look at me . . . My vote, like yours, would turn the scale. But, General, the greater the responsibility, the greater the honor. Let us march boldly in and do our duty." Rejoined Van Rensselaer: "I am resolved. Here is my hand on it."

But Van Rensselaer wasn't really resolved. He was still perplexed when he took his seat in the House Chamber. Profoundly religious, however, he decided to seek divine guidance while waiting to cast his Crawford ballot and bowed his head in prayer. On opening his eyes, he saw a ticket on the floor bearing the name of Adams. Taking this as a Providential sign, he hastily pocketed his Crawford ballot, picked up the Adams ticket, and put it in the box. The result: New York went for Adams, and Adams won the election on the first ballot.

Source: Paul F. Boller, Jr. *Presidential Campaigns*. 1984. Oxford University Press

NAME THAT VEEP TRIVIA

How many U.S. Vice Presidents can you name? Write the VP's name(s) next to the President with whom they served.

- 1 - George Washington _____
Term #2 _____
- 2 - John Adams _____
Term #2 _____
- 3 - Thomas Jefferson _____
Term #2 _____
- 4 - James Madison _____
Term #2 _____
- 5 - James Monroe _____
Term #2 _____
- 6 - John Quincy Adams _____
Term #2 _____
- 7 - Andrew Jackson _____
Term #2 _____
- 8 - Martin Van Buren _____
- 9 - William Henry Harrison _____
- 10 - John Tyler _____
- 11 - James Polk _____
- 12 - Zachary Taylor _____
- 13 - Millard Fillmore _____
- 14 - Franklin Pierce _____
- 15 - James Buchanan _____
- 16 - Abraham Lincoln _____
Term #2 _____
- 17 - Andrew Johnson _____
- 18 - Ulysses S. Grant _____
Term #2 _____
- 19 - Rutherford B. Hayes _____
- 20 - James Garfield _____
- 21 - Chester Arthur _____
- 22 - Grover Cleveland _____
- 23 - Benjamin Harrison _____
- 24 - Grover Cleveland _____
- 25 - William McKinley _____
Term #2 _____
- 26 - Theodore Roosevelt _____
Term #2 _____
- 27 - William H. Taft _____
- 28 - Woodrow Wilson _____
Term #2 _____

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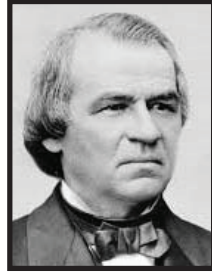
- 29 - Warren Harding _____
- 30 - Calvin Coolidge _____
Term #2 _____
- 31 - Herbert Hoover _____
- 32 - Franklin D. Roosevelt _____
Term #2 _____
Term #3 _____
Term #4 _____
- 33 - Harry S. Truman _____
Term #2 _____
- 34 - Dwight Eisenhower _____
Term #2 _____
- 35 - John F. Kennedy _____
- 36 - Lyndon Johnson _____
Term #2 _____
- 37 - Richard Nixon _____
Term #2 _____
- 38 - Gerald Ford _____
- 39 - Jimmy Carter _____
- 40 - Ronald Reagan _____
Term #2 _____
- 41 - George H. W. Bush _____
- 42 - William J. Clinton _____
Term #2 _____
- 43 - George W. Bush _____
Term #2 _____
- 44 - Barack Obama _____
Term #2 _____
- 45 - Donald J. Trump _____
- 46 - Joseph R. Biden _____

See page 22 for the VP Trivia answers. (Continued on page 19 . . .)



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ANDREW JOHNSON
DECEMBER 29, 1808
Apr. 15, 1865 – Mar. 4, 1869

Also Born in December:

Martin Van Buren December 5, 1782
Woodrow Wilson December 29, 1856

Andrew Johnson (December 29, 1808 – July 31, 1875) was the 17th president of the United States, serving from 1865 to 1869. He assumed the presidency following the assassination of Abraham Lincoln, as he was vice president at that time. Johnson was a Democrat who ran with Abraham Lincoln on the National Union Party ticket, coming to office as the Civil War concluded. He favored quick restoration of the seceded states to the Union without protection for the newly freed people who were formerly enslaved as well as pardoning ex-Confederates. This led to conflict with the Republican-dominated Congress, culminating in his impeachment by the House of Representatives in 1868. He was acquitted in the Senate by one vote.

APIC Board of Directors Meeting

Tuesday, November 12 at 9:00 PM Eastern
Agenda

- Welcome Remarks
- Secretary's Report (Matt Dole)
- APIC Financial Report (Tom Morton)
- APIC Membership Report (Darla Gonzalez)
- APIC Webmaster Report (Lon Ellis)
- Keynote Report (Tom Peeling)
- 2026 APIC National Convention Update (Mike Dunham & Susan Roman)
- Youth Membership Proposal (Sean Solomon & Mason St. Clair)
- 80th Anniversary Discussion
- Other business
- Adjourn

A SUMMARY OF THE MEETING

From Matt Dole

The APIC Board of Directors met by Zoom on November 12, 2024 under the leadership of President Tony Lee. There were many discussion points, including a finance update, membership, a recommendation for a change in youth membership categories, the 2026 convention, our 2025 80th anniversary, and the upcoming inaugural Las Vegas show.



The 2026 convention details are being finalized, but it appears that it will take place near Boston at the Danvers Doubletree during the week of July 27, 2026. More information will, of course, follow."

LANGHORNE 2024

The 45th Mid-Atlantic Regional in Langhorne, PA on November 8-9 was another in the show's long string of successful events. With dealers from all parts of the country, the Friday session was very busy from opening to close. Saturday was very enjoyable as well.

There was one sad moment when an announcement was made in memory of several chapter members who are no longer with us, including Bob Coup, Norman Eavenson, and Bill Hueneke, who were all regulars at this show every year. They will all be missed.

THE APIC CALENDAR

DECEMBER 14, 2024 Political Memorabilia & Pop Culture Show



Saturday, 10am-2pm at the Sierra 2 Center, Curtis Hall, 2791 24th St., Sacramento, CA. This annual APIC show is an opportunity to discover the value of your political treasures, buy, sell, and trade campaign buttons, posters, and political memorabilia. Also enjoy displays of political Americana. This show always has walk-in auctions because of its proximity to the State Capitol. Hundreds of political buttons, posters, and advertising pinbacks, cause, social justice, patriotic, cartoon, and pop culture items for sale. General admission is \$5.00. Free appraisals of memorabilia. Free admission to kids and students. Free parking. Dealer tables \$25.00 for the first and \$10.00 for each additional table. For information contact Adam Gottlieb 916-956-2030 or gottlieb007@hotmail.com.

AUSTIN POLITICAL ITEMS SHOW

Start the New Year off with The Austin Political and Historical Items Show will be held on Friday and Saturday, January 19-20, 2024 at the Fickett Boy Scout Service Center, 12500 N I-35, Austin, Texas. Room hopping on Thursday January 18th. Tall Tales & BBQ Friday, 1/19. For room reservations call 866-433-3092 at the Springhill Suites by Marriott. Mention the Political Campaign Items show for the \$99 per night room rate. Dealer Tables are \$60 each for wall and \$50 each for interior. For further information and table reservations, contact Jack Wilson, 512-451-8122. Email jawilson@grandecom.net.

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SUPER BOWL WEEKEND SHOW

Sat, Feb 08, 2025, 9am - 3:00pm

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The USS Monterey (above) survived a typhoon in Dec. 1944. Lt. Gerald R. Ford was almost swept overboard during the storm. Future President Ford served aboard the Monterey June 17, 1943, to the end of Dec. 1944. He served as a gunnery officer, and an assistant navigator.

From The President

The surveys we've been conducting in recent months of both current and former APIC members have revealed a lot of interesting information, ideas and requests. One suggestion that we saw in multiple survey responses was to create a more visible outreach to collectors who participate in the online Political Memorabilia Exchange (PME) on Facebook.



For those of you who don't know, the PME is a group channel that allows anyone on Facebook to post political items for sale on a first-come, first-sold basis. Our research found that the majority of PME participants don't know what APIC is, and many don't know that it exists. In addition, only 40% of APIC members say they participate in the PME.

In mid-November, with the help of PME administrator Paul Bengston, we added a message at the top of the group page explaining the benefits of an APIC membership and encouraging visitors to join. Since the PME has more than 4,200 registered users and the APIC about 1,300 members, I'm hopeful this new message will help some of those collectors see the many benefits of an APIC membership and join us. So far the results are very promising, and I'll share an update in my next column once more data is in.

Another request that was mentioned often in the survey feedback is the ability for members to renew on a longer-term basis than just one year. Well, that option is now available. Simply visit the APIC.us website and click on the membership renewal link. You can then select any term between one year and five years. In addition, if you would like to renew your membership for five years, you'll receive a 5% discount. We're also now offering a 10-year membership renewal with a 10% discount, but to receive that you need to call or email our member services director, Darla Gonzalez, who can process your renewal for you. Either way, we would be happy to welcome your longer-term membership.

Our effort to boost APIC finances also is moving ahead nicely. We continue to receive donations through the bright red Donate button on our website, which has been a great new development. I'd like to thank long-time member Tony Atkiss, who recently donated \$5,000 in another challenge grant. You may remember that Jeff Bosse made a similar donation in August and in just a few weeks, we received \$5,000 in member donations to reach the goal of matching Jeff's gift. Tony is now making the same bequest, so please consider making a donation or including APIC in your estate planning to help us reach this new goal.

I'm also excited to share that we've revised our membership rate for youth members thanks to the generous support of Sean Solomon, Steve Ferber and Tom Peeling. Sean and Mason St. Clair worked together to create a proposal (which the APIC Board has approved) to raise the age of our youth membership to 25 from 19, which will allow more younger members to be able to afford to join us. Sean, Steve and Tom are underwriting the cost of that change for the first 30 new youth members, and donations will help us maintain that rate, hopefully for years to come. In addition, the Board approved the creation of a new youth committee to meet and determine other steps we can take to expand our outreach to a younger audience. Drew Hecht, Pat Mara, John Olsen and Barbara Zaczek will work with Sean and Mason to help us add new collectors to the APIC fold.

As we all prepare to enter a new year, I'm confident that APIC is taking steps to ensure that our future will be bright, and that we'll continue to attract a wide range of new members who will collect and preserve political memorabilia and help take us to new levels. With that in mind, I wish all of you a wonderful holiday season and a happy, healthy New Year.

Tony



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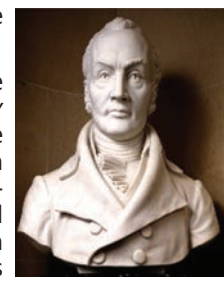
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There has been a flood of condolences and well wishes from our readers and friends since Bob's passing. Thank you all so much for thinking of us. Many of you have asked whether the Bandwagon would continue publishing and whether we would continue to participate at shows, including managing our popular Silent Auctions. The answer is yes! ... we carry on. Jeannine Coup, Owner & Editor

SECOND IN COMMAND (Continued from page 17...)

Some individual facts from the history of the Vice Presidency:

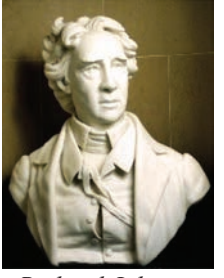
Jefferson ran against Adams for President. Since he received the second highest electoral vote, he *automatically* became Vice President under the system that existed at the time. In the early years, electors did not differentiate between their votes for president and Vice President, and the runner-up for President became Vice President. In 1800 Jefferson and Burr each received 73 electoral votes, sending the election to the House of Representatives, which selected Jefferson as President. Burr automatically became Vice President. This stalemate led to adoption of the Twelfth Amendment to the Constitution in 1804. The Twelfth Amendment made a series of adjustments to the Electoral College system. For the electors, it was now mandated that a distinct vote had to be taken for the president and the vice president. Further, one of the selected candidates must be someone who is not from the same state as the elector.



A. Burr

George Clinton died in office April 20, 1812 and the Vice Presidency remained vacant until 1813. Elbridge Gerry died in office November 23, 1814 and the Vice Presidency remained vacant until 1817. John C. Calhoun resigned on December 28, 1832 and there was no Vice President until 1833.

Since no candidate received a majority of the electoral vote in the 1836 election, the U.S. Senate elected Richard M. Johnson (left) as Vice President on February 8, 1837. Johnson's election is the only time the Senate has exercised this constitutional authority, granted by the Twelfth Amendment, which provides, "if no person has a majority, then from the two highest numbers on the list, the Senate shall choose the Vice-President."



Richard Johnson

John Tyler succeeded to the presidency on April 6, 1841 with the vice presidency vacant until 1845. Millard Fillmore succeeded to the presidency on July 10, 1850 and the vice presidency remained vacant until 1853. William Rufus King died in office on April 18, 1853 leaving no Vice President until 1857. Andrew Johnson succeeded to the presidency on April 15, 1865 without a Vice President until 1869. Henry Wilson died in office on November 22, 1875 and the Vice Presidency remained vacant until 1877. Chester A. Arthur succeeded to the presidency on September 20, 1881 and the vice presidency again remained vacant until 1885.

Thomas A. Hendricks died in office on November 25, 1885 and there was no serving V.P. until 1889. Garret A. Hobart died in office on November 21, 1899 and the Vice Presidency remained vacant until 1901. Theodore Roosevelt succeeded to the presidency on September 14, 1901 and the vice presidency remained vacant until 1905. James S. Sherman died in office on October 30, 1912 and the VP's office remained unfilled until 1913. Calvin Coolidge succeeded to the Presidency on August 3, 1923 and served without a VP until 1925. Harry S. Truman succeeded to the Presidency on April 12, 1945 and he served without a Vice President until 1949.

Lyndon B. Johnson became President on November 22, 1963 and the Vice Presidency remained vacant until 1965 for the sixteenth time in U.S. History. Spiro T. Agnew resigned on October 10, 1973 and the Vice Presidency remained vacant until December 6, 1973.

To avoid such vacancies in the future and to clarify the presidential succession procedures, Congress passed and the states ratified the Twenty-fifth Amendment to the U.S. Constitution in 1967, allowing for the appointment and confirmation of a new Vice President if such a vacancy occurs. Gerald Ford became the first Vice President to be nominated by the President and confirmed by the Congress as per the Twenty-fifth Amendment. Ford took the oath of office as Vice President on December 6, 1973, and served until August 9, 1974. Finally, Gerald Ford succeeded to the presidency on August 9, 1974 upon the resignation of President Nixon and for a few months the Vice Presidency briefly remained vacant. December 19, 1974 Nelson Rockefeller was appointed Vice President to fill the vacancy left by Ford according to the procedures outlined in the 25th Amendment.

A further comment on the Senate's collection of VP busts... The "Congressional Collection of U.S. Vice President busts" refers to the collection of marble busts of every former Vice President of the United States in the Senate Wing of the U.S. Capitol building which is maintained by the Senate as part of their art collection. The busts are placed throughout the Senate wing of the Capitol. In addition to honoring our VPs, the collection, containing works by many premier American artists also provides wonderful examples of American sculpture from the 19th Century to the present.

Just a note: In most instances, I have capitalized the phrases "Vice President", "Vice Presidents", "Vice Presidential", "Vice Presidency", and "VP". This acknowledges that my reference is to the Vice President of the United States and not some corporate or other vice president.

ONLY VICE

After formally accepting the Democratic nomination for Vice-President, Governor Thomas Marshall of Indiana gave Wilson a book inscribed: "From your only vice, Thomas R. Marshall." Later on he liked to quip: "Once there were two brothers. One ran away to the sea, the other was elected Vice-President, and neither of them was heard of again."

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Each year, thousands gather on the shores of Pearl Harbor to remember the events of December 7, 1941, reflecting on the lasting impact of that "Day of Infamy" and honoring the members of the Greatest Generation for their sacrifice, courage, and indomitable perseverance. The 83rd anniversary of Pearl Harbor invites us to focus on the theme of "Forging Ahead," emphasizing not only the historical significance but also the vital role of the younger generation in preserving and honoring this legacy.



The attack on Pearl Harbor marked a pivotal moment in history, awakening America to a new reality of hardship and the specter of protracted war. The American people, both on the battlefields and the home front, rose to this challenge with resilience and determination. The adversity faced by those who served not only forged stronger individuals but also united the nation with a collective resolve. This anniversary is a tribute to their unyielding spirit and the powerful sense of duty that propelled them to face and overcome insurmountable odds.

As we commemorate this day, we must also look to the future and the role of the younger generation in carrying forward the legacy of the Greatest Generation. It is essential for today's youth to understand and appreciate the sacrifices made during World War II, particularly in the Pacific theater, which began with the attack on Pearl Harbor. By doing so, they can draw inspiration from the courage and determination of those who came before them, understanding that the pursuit of peace requires the same resolute spirit that was needed to fight and win the war.

The annual Pearl Harbor Remembrance ceremony serves not only as a moment of reflection and gratitude but also as a call to action for the younger generation. It is a reminder to build on the solid foundation left by the Greatest Generation, adapting to new challenges with the same fortitude and commitment. As we honor the past, we forge ahead, ensuring that the lessons of history continue to guide us in creating a future that upholds the values of courage, resilience, and peace.

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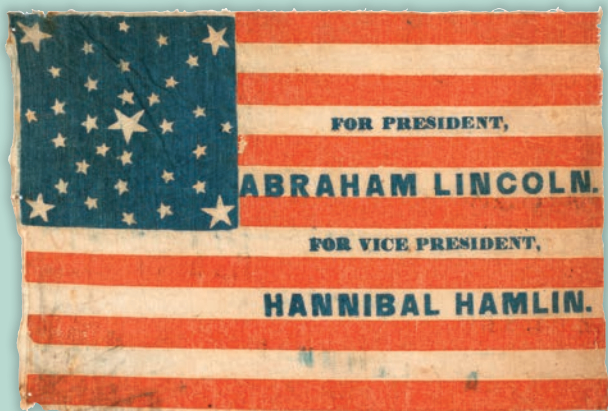
- 3 tablespoons unsalted butter
- 1¼ pounds mushrooms, sliced
- 3 green onions, minced
- 1 garlic clove, minced
- 3 shallots, minced
- 1¼ teaspoons oregano
- 1¼ teaspoons basil
- 1¼ teaspoons salt
- ¾ teaspoon marjoram
- ¼ teaspoon black pepper
- ¼ teaspoon thyme
- ½ teaspoon dry mustard
- 4 eggs
- ¾ cup whole milk or half-and-half
- 1 unbaked 9-inch pie crust

PREPARATION

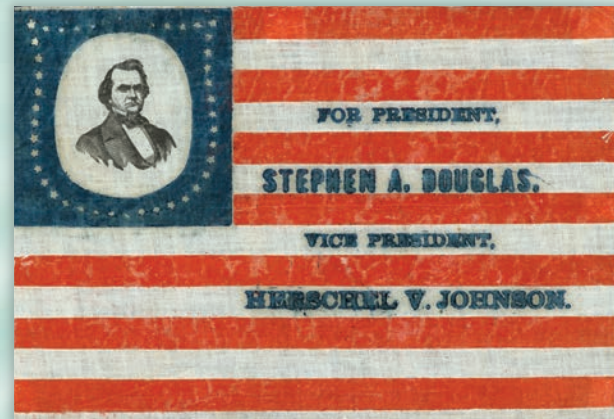
- Preheat oven to 375 degrees.
- Melt butter in a large skillet over medium-high heat.
- Saute mushrooms, onions, garlic, and shallots together.
- Stir in seasonings and cook 2 minutes until liquid is evaporated.
- Let cool 5 minutes. In a medium bowl combine eggs with milk or half-and-half and beat well.
- Stir in mushroom mixture and pour into pie crust.
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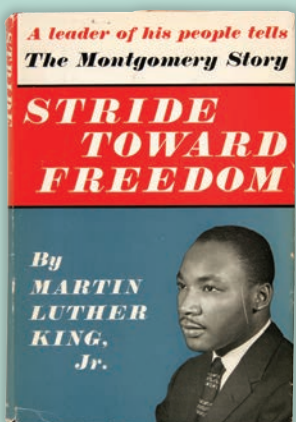
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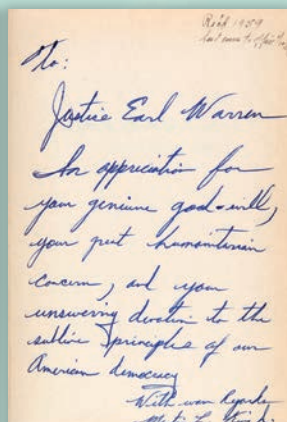
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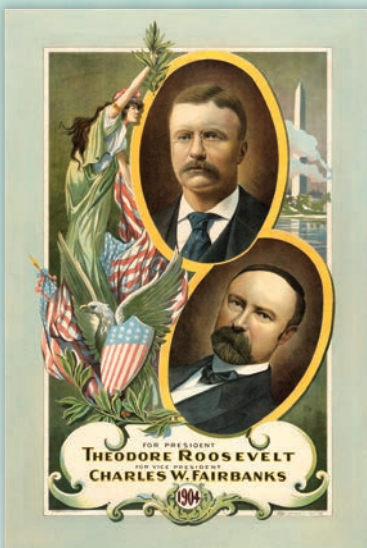
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