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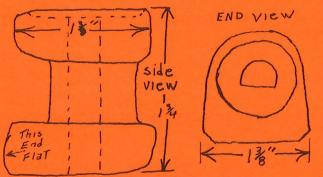
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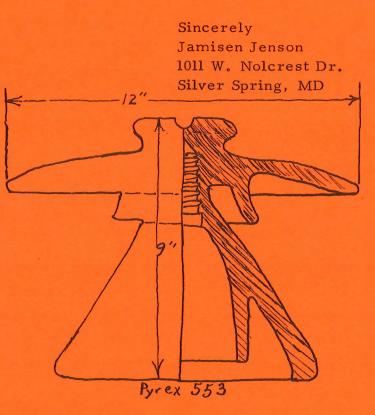


Dear Editor,

I've been collecting insulators for about 5 years and I have come across 2 interesting items. The first one is a pair of insulators I bought in a flea market. They are extremely crude and look like something used with lightning rods. They both have the same sky blue color and same design but the size difference varies a lot.



The man I bought them from says that he found them near an old house's foundation. I judge them to be very old since they are so crude. The second insulator I got was a Pyrex 553 CD 328 in a straw color. The reason I'm puzzled, is that the drawing in Milholland's recent 1974 book is different. The difference is the extra skirt under the top piece. And also bottom outside skirt goes all the way to the bottom where as in Milholland's Book it shows the inner skirt touching the ground and doesn't show the extra skirt. Please help me. Is this and the other insulators I spoke of valuable? Does the Pyrex have more value because it is like this? Any help on these insulators would be greatly appreciated.



Dear Jamisen,

Your first sketch is of a lightning rod insulator. The flat side was mounted against the building and the cable laid in the shallow groove. I've seen these pieces priced from \$10 to \$30. The common color seems to be "sky blue", next is aqua and the rarest is SCA.

Your Pyrex 553 is indeed a puzzler. A 1900 Corning catalog shows the 553 to be the same as the one pictured in Milholland's Book. Judging from your sketch, your 553 looks like it is a 2-piece insulator. If it is you have a new find since there are no 2 piece Corning insulators listed anywhere. Value?? I really can't say.



To the Editor:

Why are so many insulator collectors restricting themselves to collecting mint condition insulators? Why do they expect to collect an item which withstood the elements, the ravages of time, the rough handling of workmen, the guns of hunters and the thrown stones of boys? Why should an item which was meant to be an object of utility, be expected to be in MINT condition? Would those who want "mint condition" insulators, want them to be "never used", fresh from a warehouse?

To me an insulator is an object of beauty, BUT still was an object of UTILITY, and of great historic VALUE. Some of the necest, the most beautiful, the most historic yes, the most valuable insulators in my collection are NON-MINT.

I think that many collectors who are demanding mint condition are cheating themselves of much of the pleasure and excitement of collecting beautiful, historic, interesting and valuable objects.

> Yours truly, Gerald Brown

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Dear Jim,

Read the article-Reminiscences of an Insulator Collector by John J. Fischer in CROSS ARMS, April, 1975. I am new at collecting and I saw myself in all 3 categories under types of collectors. ( I am not a dealer) I work for the telephone company as a splicer and started my hobby for fun. All the fellows in the garage thought I was crazy, for collecting old glass, especially the old timers. Most of my glass are common but have 10-15 rare types. Some of these were given to me by older employees and friends from the power company I have converted to collecting glass. Though I do not write articles on insulators or hold shows, I can easily say I've introduced at least 5 people into insulator collecting and 4 others giving me insulators they find while working. Don't place me as a "silent majority", Mr. Fischer. Just expressing my point of view.

> Thank you, Michael Wagner 35 Davis Ave Dover, NJ 07801

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Dear Jim,

I may be a hypocrite but the article by John Fischer in April's issue really struck home. It's the first article that speaks out against the big name dealers.

It was well written and gets right to the point about what is going wrong with our hobby. If we don't get some new people interested in collecting, we won't have a hobby.

At the National I had a chance to see the "Dealers" at work. I really felt bad for a couple of young collectors. They came so far and found the prices too high.

If you look in your "money grabber" ads you will find almost all of their ads. Try to find a half decent buy.

If all the young new collectors and those with a limited income to spend, didn't give the dealers their business. In the long run the dealer prices will hurt themselves.

What we need is a realistic pricing of the more common insulators. And the Big Dealers to realize that without the common insulators their rare ones wouldn't have a value.

Come on Jim. let's have some more critism. You have the position to straighten this out. It's not the Dealers that's keeping your magazine going. It's all of us. Not the few people that want the all mighty buck. Let's get rid of these people before it's too late and we don't have a hobby.

> Your friend, Ed Lasky

Dear Ed,

To answer your letter clearly, I will have to answer it in sections:

New people in the hobby--I agree, and CROSS ARMS is doing everything in it's power to introduce new collectors to our ho hobby. We are also doing everything pos sible to protect the new collectors.

Money grabber ads--only people like yourself can correct these. If inexpensive insulators are advertised at inexpensive prices, the natural economic law of "supply

and demand" will level out the realistic insulators with realistic prices. If you are selling good insulators at good prices, tell the hobby by advertising. This act will force the "money grabbers" to meet your price--or drop out of the picture... If every collector did this, the end result would be Fair Prices.

Criticism--I could argue with you about the pros and cons of "Wheeler Dealers" and "unfair prices" from now till the Hemi 42's lose their threads and the questions still won't be settled. As cold as it sounds, the hobby does need the "wheeler dealer". He is the fellow that will ferret out the "odd ball", and when he finds it, he will tell the world about it. I disagree with a lot of the "wheeler dealer" tatics, but we must give credit where credit is due. The "wheeler dealers" helped build the foundation to this hobby---it is now up to the collectors to continue building. Both "wheeler dealers" and collectors have their place in our hobby.

As Editor of CROSS ARMS, I could spend the entire issue of any month critising both collectors and wheeler dealers-but I won't do it. As a young, growing hobby, insulator collecting needs help and fresh insights--not critism.

Jim \* \* \* \* \* \*

Dear Jim:

Item of interest. Recently I found the remains of a bunch of insulators that had been dumped long ago. Because most of the pieces were of "1871"'s and not being in any hurry, I sorted through the broken glass. I found one piece that really blows my mind! It is a little less than half of the dome of a CD 132 embossed H.G.CO. If I can find part of one, there must have been a bunch at one time. I can guarantee there was no more in that pile of glass, though.

> Sincerely, Glenn Drummond

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Thanks for putting us on the alert, Glenn. It's nice to know that a CD 132 H.G. Co. exists. Here's hoping they turn up.

Jim \* \* \* \* \* \*

Dear Mr. Garrity,

In a few months I will be moving to Fort Wayne, Indiana. When we were house-hunting we'd go past poles with at least 8 cross arms. I mean these poles are crammed with insulators. Going in a car at 55 mph is not an ideal way to look at insulators and I wasn't even able to pick out the CD types.

Now that I am back in NY and won't be in Ft. Wayne until we move, I was hoping that you and your staff could help me find out what king of glass Tel/Tel insulators are there. Thanks.

(I would also like to congratulate Todd Rodgers in winning the Brookfield Catalog. I am 13 years old too.)

Doug Polak

Dear Doug,

If you write to the O.V.I.C. (1287 Aldrich Ave., Cincinnati, OH 45231), I'm sure one of their members could tell you exactly what insulators are located on what poles in the Ft. Wayne area. The members of the Ohio Valley Club are up to date on insulators in their area.

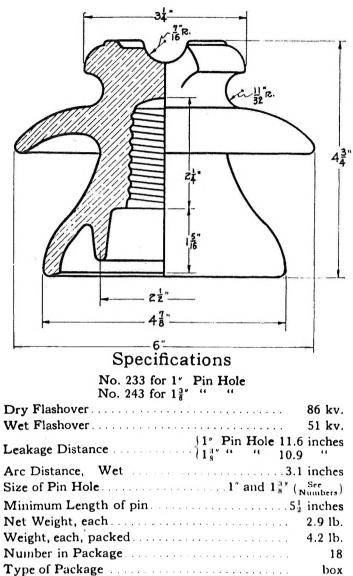
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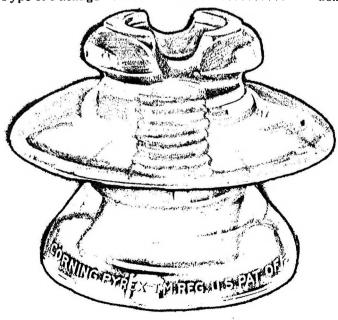
Mr. Garrity,

Just wanted to tell you, your new format and 8 1/2" X ll" size makes it ideal for preserving them note book style in standard size loose leaf binder.

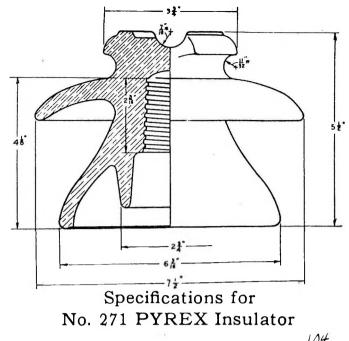
I'm sure everybody is very happy with this change. Keep up the good work.

> Sincerely, M. L. Mainer

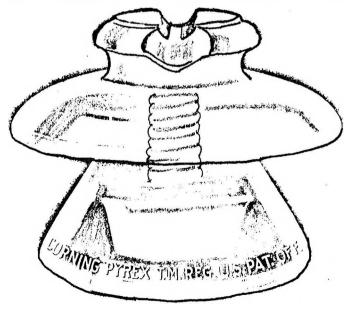




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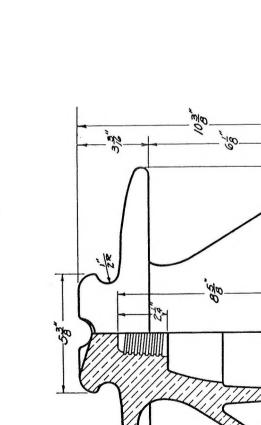


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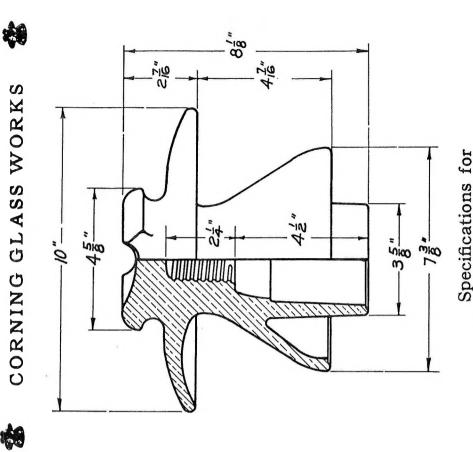
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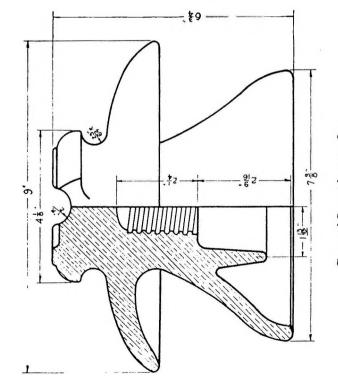
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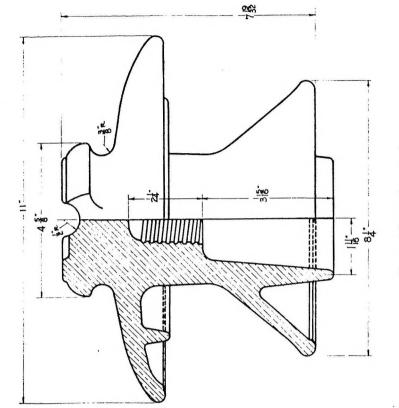
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# Specifications for No. 401 PYREX Insulator

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132 kv.	83 kv.	17.8"	5.2	1	.8	8.8 lb.	11.7 lb.	9	box
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Electrical characteristics were measured under A. I. E. E. standard conditions. Voltages were determined by sphere gap measurement.

\*Also available in packages of three at slight extra cost.

#### ANTIQUE BOTTLE SHOW by Wallace Gaughf

The Middle Mississippi Antique Bottle Show was held January 18-19, 1975, at the State Fairgrounds in Jackson, Mississippi. This show was recognizing insulator collectors more and there was a lot of work done to make it a success. At the end of the show we felt that it was the best held in Mississippi. Next year we hope that it will be even better.

Collectors and dealers came from Arkansas, Alabama, Louisiana, Ohio, and Texas. There was steady traffic coming through to look and buy. There were over fifty (50) tables set up with bottles, fruit jars and small antiques. There were eleven (11) sales tables devoted to insulators. Dealers had insulators ranging from common to rare. Some of the goods were 723 Threadless, Wade, Cutter, 267 N. E. G. M., 260 Jumbo, and 738 Threadless in deep olive green.

There were five (5) insulator displays with Grand Prize Ribbon of "Crown Jewels of the Wire" and Best of Show going to Bob Parks of Monroe, Louisiana.



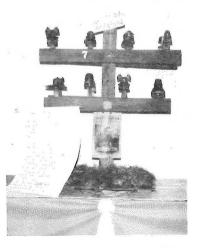
Bob Parks of Monroe, Louisiana. Grand Prize for "Crown Jewels of Wire" and Best of Show. 8

First Place CROSS ARMS Ribbon going to Wallace Gaughf of Belzoni, Mississippi. Second Place CROSS ARMS Ribbon going to Jane Gaughf of Belzoni, Mississippi. Jane had a display of California Purples. Third Place "Crown Jewels of Wire" going to Bill Neely of Mobile, Alabama. We want to thank everyone who participated.





Jane Gaughf of Belzoni, MS, Second Place Ribbon for CROSS ARMS.



Bill Neely of Mobile, Alabama, Third Place of "Crown Jewels of Wire."

#### THIRD GLASS CAPITOL INSULATOR SHOW

by Jack Snyder

The 3rd Glass Capitol Insulator Show was a grand success. Even though not all of the 45 advertised tables were rented for the weekend show. Rentals averaged 38 tables per day. A total of 9 displays took up the rest of the available space in the hall. The displays that vied for the Crown Jewels and OBX ribbons included B-hives, stars, Diamonds, Brookfields, Porcelain, Mexican and minature epoxy insulators.

> Ribbons were awarded as follows: C.J. Best-Vern Russell C.J. runner-up-Bob Wicks OBX- Jerry Turner Brookfield reprint- Terry Bauman

Gerald Brown's 3 complimentary copies of his books were awarded as door prizes. Unfortunately I neglected to get the 3 winners names.

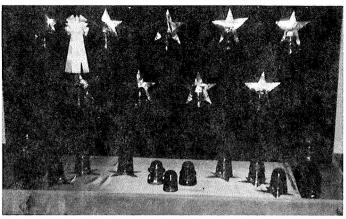
Judges for the displays included-Cheryl Sprague; Al Stupp (OVIC V-P); Curt Boster (insulator news co-ordinator for the Antique Bottle World.)

I overheard many compliments about the outstanding displays. These acculades reflect the time and work each person put into his presentation.

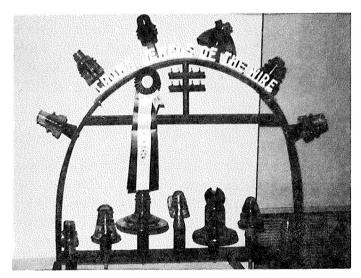
The weather left a lot to be desired. Saturday was damp and rainy. While Sunday was windy and somewhat cold with a little sun. The two previous Glass Capitol shows experienced the same type of weather. Attendance was phenominal anyway. Due in part to an extensive promotional campaign and free admission. I talked to a couple from Long Island, NY that made the 600+ mile trek on a 3 day weekend (this was their 2nd Glass Capitol Show.) At times Saturday parking was at a premium in the large lot. Many Northwestern Ohio collectors who attended the first day came back Sunday to get one last look before the doors closed.

Sales and trades were the passwords each day. The low to medium priced items went well (\$2-\$30). Railroad collectibles (lanterns, locks, etc) were in abundance, along with a dab of beer cans. Both articles sold quickly.

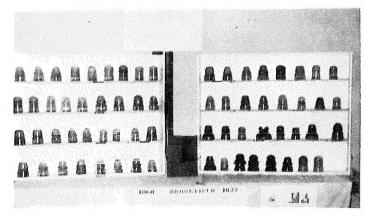
Again, I'd like to take this opportunity to thank dealers and collectors alike who made this show a success!!!!



Bob Wicks-"Stars"- Crown Jewels winner.



Vern Russel's-Crown Jewels Best.



Terry Bauman's Brookfield Display.

#### COME SEE THEIR INSULATOR COLLECTION

Evelyn and Marion Milholland have sold their home at Diamond Point, Washington and are moving to a new, easy to find location at Spanway, near Tacoma, Washington. They are having a special building built 20 feet wide and 36 feet long to display their insulators and kindred items. You are most welcome to come visit with them.

Their new home will be very easy to find. Coming from the south on Highway I-5 upon nearing Tacoma, Washington, turn right on Highway 512.

If you are coming from the north on Highway I-5go past Tacoma exits and turn on Highway 512 (Puyallup Exit).

#### "NOW"

East two miles to the Mt. Rainier exit turn off, then go south to 168th. Turn left go two blocks to B-Street. Their home is on the N.W. Corner of 168th and B-St. East.

Their new address will be 145 East 168th Ave., Spanway, Washington 98387.

#### RECAP

In the March issue a story about the Insulator Collectors Club-San Diego County appeared. Since then several inquiries have been made concerning the insulators found at that meeting. If you have any questions or can add more information, please drop the collectors a note.

> Maydwell ghost embossing= Mr. & Mrs. Dale Guidry 500 Chamber St., Apt A El Cajon, CA 92020

Foreign Glass Ms. Denise Mathews 1438 Sunnyland El Cajon, CA 92021 Knowles cable Vern Alexander 228 Ardys Pl Vista, CA 92083

These insulators were important finds and were big helps to Mr. Marion Milholland. 10

In the recent illness and serious operation of my wife, Joyce there are many collectors we wish to thank so much for their kindness. And two very, very fine people wesend all of our love to. The words of wisdom they sent, the beautiful flowers that came to our hospital room from Mr. & Mrs. Milholland. We are very greatful. What can Joyce and I say? Two of our very best friends-Many thanks to the Milhollands.

> The A. L. Rash Family Rt. 3, Box 669 Silsbee, Texas 77656

#### THE INSULATOR OF THE MONTH by E.C. Storey

March was a bad month! Reader response was very slow. I decided to substitute this 102 Brookfield to allow more time to hear from you. Remember that your fellow collectors are asking you to do them a big favor by letting me know a little about your insulators. Just a postcard or short letter telling me where you found an insulator and any interesting characteristics it might have would be find. Your friends from afar are interested in:

CD	145	H.G.
	151	H.G.
	112	Brookfield
	162.5	PLW
	Wooden	trolley insulators

I've been doing quite a bit of research into PLW and its history. I hope I can clarify any doubts about its origin but I need to know what cities they have been found near. Let me know what you have found.

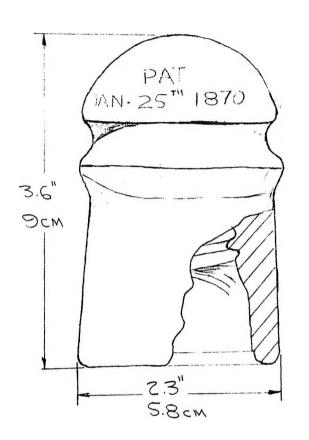
Please write. I can't do this series alone and will have to quit if you don't help. Remember that while you are behind a shovel finding rare insulators I am behind my typewriter. Try too, to include a SASE if you would like an answer.

Until next month,

Ed Storey

### BROOKFIELD

c.d. 102



AQUA

PONY

THREADED

MARKINGS ON DOME(TYP.) FRONT

> PAT JAN. 25TH 1870

Rear

FEB 22ND 1870 MCH 20TH 1877

NO DRIP POINTS

This insulator is interesting because it is one of the few early Brookfield insulators without any direct indication of the manufacturer. Yet there is little doubt who made it. The color is characteristic of Brookfield aqua blue ,caused by the Long Island sand used at the New York plant. The shape is like other Brookfield cd. 102's. Compare this with a star cd. 102, for example & note how the lower wire groove projection is much different on the Star than on the Brookfields.

This insulator is not particularly rare & can be found with embossing variations. Some have a mold line over the dome & the threads have swirl lines before the start. These data and the patent dates place the manufacturing date between 1877 and about 1890.

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#### History

The oldest patent is for a press for making insulators; issued to Homer Brooke & probably sold to Brookfield. The February patent date is a reissue of Louis Cauvet's patent for threads as a design patent. It is likely that Brookfield was instrumental in this reissue as they had purchased the first Cauvet patent earlier. The March patent was issued to J. M. Brookfield; also as a design patent. Look for these dates on other Brookfield insulators. Patents last 17 years & it is not likely that manufacturers would list patents after they had expired as anyone may use the feature covered then.

Cross Arms April 1975 by E. C. Storey

#### THE DIGNITY OF OLD MILK GLASS

by Dick and Dottie Daugherty

To collectors of glass objects, color often determines the desirability of owning these objects.

At times color denotes rarity. In the case of antique bottle collecting, a grass-green "Indian Queen" or a cobalt "Masonic" Zanesville flask, or an amethyst "Jenny Lind" Fislerville flask are considered rare and desirable.

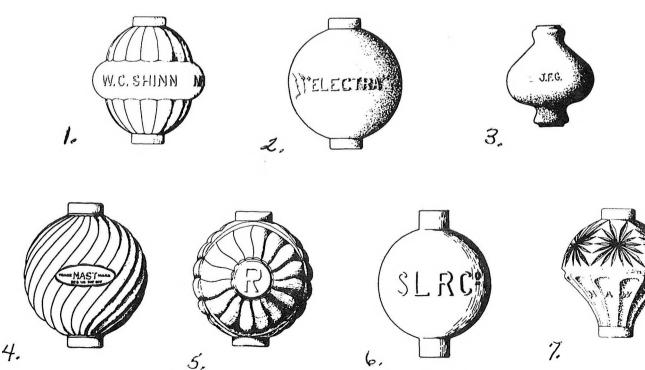
And then there are the times when color denotes just pure pleasure to the eye of the beholder and rarity and costliness does not enter into the picture at all. Such would be the case of a collector prizing his newest find of a deep sun-purpled unembossed perfume bottle or a yellow-green whiskey pint. Color can mean different things to different collectors.

In the instance of collecting lightning rod balls, the colored patterned balls seem to be the favorites, and who doesn't appreciate a collection of rainbow colored glass items? But the novice collector can take heart in the fact that the field of collectible lightning rod balls is wide and there is a place for anyone who has the desire to preserve a part of our heritage. Not to be overlooked is the category of WHITE MILK GLASS lightning rod balls. These were possibly the most common ones found atop the barns and houses. Because a batch of glass could be decolorized with an inexpensive decolorizing agent such as tin oxide, might account for the high production of milk glass, not only in lightning rod balls but in other utilitarian household items of the late 19th century. Early catalogs show that milk glass LR balls were sold for 30¢ each while comparable ones of red glass, green glass, or mercury coated glass were sold for 40¢ each. Because there were so many milk glass ones made, it is understandable that the collector's price guides today consider these as the least expensive to buy if you want to add them to your collection.

Common they might be in number, but to the eye of a collector, white milk glass is far from common and represents pure beauty and a dignity all its own. 13 If you have a specialized collection of white milk glass lightning rod balls, take pride in them and if you are a beginning collector, you will do well to start your collection with this category. The glass houses of the 1840's manufactured these glass balls and they have been made by many glass companies right on up through the 1930's.

Fictured here are just a few of the patterned white milk glass balls along with the manufacturer's name and place of business, date of establishment, and the current average prices for these WMG LR balls, (prices may vary slightly in different parts of the country).

(1) W.C. Shinn Mfg. Co., Lincoln, Nebraska, established 1900,
\$7.00. (2) Electra Protection Co., Albany, N.Y. and Cresco, Iowa, established in 1907, \$10.00. (3) Julius F. Goetz Mfg. Co., Hartford, Wisc., established in 1909, \$12.00. (4) Mast Lightning Rod. Co., founded by Wsley J. Mast in 1840 in Marysville, Mo. Mr. Mast was the first person in the U.S. to manufacture lightning protection commercially. \$20.00. (5) Rayburn-Hunter-Foy Co., Chicago, Illinois, established in 1849, \$30.00. (6) Security Lightning Rod Company, Burlington, Wisc., established in 1892, \$15.00. (7) Hawkeye Lightning Frotection Company, Cedar Rapids, Iowa, established in the 1920's, \$7.00.



by Glenn Drummond

The weekend of 25 and 26 January proved that mid-west insulator collectors were hungry enough for a show that they would brave just about the entire spectrum of rotten winter weather that the Ohio Vallev is noted for. It began with a driving rain followed by high winds, fog, freezing mist, a moderate snow, and downright cold. Despite the elements, the show was truely a success for area collectors, dealers, and perhaps most important, the sponsors. The show as co-sponsored by the Gleneste PTO and the Ohio Valley Insulator Club with three-fourths of the show profits going to the PTO scholarship fund. It was a novel experience for several of us in the Cincinnati area to work with an organization with interests other than the hobby. However, it was a successful and rewarding experience. One really interesting sidelight was the very cautious approach of area bottle and jar collectors and dealers. Five bottle dealers set up, four for only one day. A number of other dealers and collectors came in to "look the show over". Their main criticism was that the show was not advertised extensively in the bottle publications and promised their support of the show next year if the advertising "met their standards", whatever that might be.

Insulator dealers came from far and near, 27 in all, to set up 44 tables of choice insulators. Dale Vincent, Cedar Rapids, IA traveled the greatest distance and was presented a plaque. Other dealers and collectors came from Alabama, Illinois, Pennsylvania, as well as the local Indiana, Kentucky, and Ohio crowd. The quality and quantity of insulators available for trade and sale was exceptionally good. Among these were both CD 140 and CD 269 JUMBO'S, CD 266 cable, CD 268 CROWN, CD 158 screw top BOSTON, CD 291 No. 5, a complete set CHAMBERS, and a white milkglass HEMINGREY 42.

A new approach to catorgizing displays was tried and all in attendance indicated that it was a real satisfying experience. The displays were divided into two general catogories: a senior and junior division. To display in the junior division, the entrant had to be 17 years or under and had to own the insulators themselves. Only four senior displays were exhibited but six junior displays were set up. Awards were:

#### Senior Division

Chris & Gary Curts - Brookfield Insulators-Crown Jewels Grand Prize; OBX Showmanship Award; Milholland's Brookfield Award.

Forrest Jones- Lightning rod balls, weather vanes and "go withs" - Crown Jewels 2nd Prize, Show Award 2nd Prize.

Jerry Turner - Porcelain Insulators -CROSS ARMS 1st Prize, Show Award 1st Prize

Steve Blair - Insulator styles and uses -Show Award 3rd Prize.

#### Junior Division

Valerya Hyrne - Color in glass insulators -Show Award 1st Prize.

David Turner - Star Insulators - Show Award 2nd Prize, Crown Jewels 2nd Prize.

Donna Stirnkorb - Color and styles of glass insulators - Show Award 3rd Prize.

Kecia Drummond - Diamond Insulators -Crown Jewels Grand Prize.

Gary Turner - Brookfield Insulators and Bob fast miniatures - Crown Jewels subscription and W. T. No. 5 insulator.



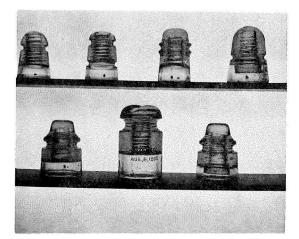


Gary Turner, Crown Jewels subscription, insulator, Junior Division.

Steve Blair, Show Award, 3rd Prize.



Jerry Turner, CROSS ARMS 1st Prize, Show Award, 1st Prize.



Tom Moulton sent us a picture of his Standard Glass insulators. As far as he knows this is the only complete set. All are embossed on rim: THE STANDARD GLASS INSULATOR CO. BOSTON MASS. The keg and cable are pictured on pg. 34 of 12/74 issue of CROSS ARMS. The only one with other embossing is the cable which has the Lawrence Gray date as described on pg. 6 of the March issue. Top row 1 to r-CD 104, CD 112?, CD 121, CD 145. Bottom row 1 to r-CD 138.2, No CD?, CD 157.5¢w/inner skirt. w/o inner skirt



Donna Stirnkorb, Diane Stirnkorb, Darlene Stirnkorb, Show Award 3rd Prize, Junior Division.



Kecia Drummond, Crown Jewels Grand Prize, Junior Division.



Chris & Gary Curts, Crown Jewels Grand Prize, OBX Showmanship Award, Brookfield Award.



David Turner, Crown Jewels 2nd Prize, Show Award, 2nd Prize, Junior Division



Valerya Hyrne, Show Award 1st Prize, 17 Junior Division.

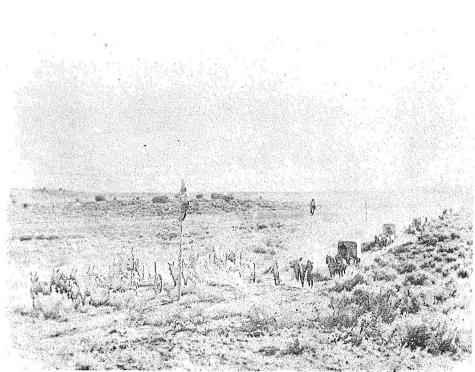
## Threadless POND'S

Pictures and insulator from Bob Wilson.





These two pictures show different views of the Pond's Patent No. 122, 961, Jan. 23, 1872. The insulator body is made of wood, soaked in tar or pitch. The crown is covered with a tin cap, embossed JAN 23, 1872. The most interesting fact about this insulator is that it is "threadless". Although the pin won't come out of the insulator it has been x-rayed and it is threadless. This rare insulator belongs to Bob Wilson of 12612 Chilton Road, Phila., PA.



Constructing the Transcontinental Telegraph Line. A Scene from the Motion Picture, "Western Union"

#### -6TH N. I. A. CONVENTION NEARS-

#### BY Maury & Addie Tasem

As the 6th N.I.A. Convention draws near, we are trying very hard to give all collectors an opportunity to attend this Show. For those who live in Western Airlines country, we have great news for you! They have made Special Convention group rates available. That means the more collectors to fly in on the same plane, the CHEAPER the air fare. The size of the group can be any number. All the collector has to do is call the Western Airlines ticket information and ask to speak to the person in charge of Special Convention group rates. They will get the arrangements done for you. You will come together and can return home separately if desired.

There are only a few 6 ft. tables available and many 8 ft. We strongly suggest getting your reservations in NOW! Remember it's a BIG 3 day show at \$36.00 for all 3 days. Admission is FREE. We are expecting a huge crowd-many buyers.

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With the cost of everything going UP, so have our costs! We are trying to keep your expenses down by offering many discount items.

#### FROM THE N.I.A. INFORMATION DESK by Howard Banks

The Mid-State Antique Bottle Collectors, Inc. Annual Show & Sale, May 31, June 1, to be held in the Rollins College Field House in Winer Park, Florida is granted NIA sanctioning.

There is a \$1.00 donation admission price; tables 2 1/2 x 8 feet are \$15. For bottles and insulators a total of 72 tables are available. Self-contained campers can remain on lot at no cost. Insulator exhibits are planned under these two categories: 1. Glass Insulators 2. Ceramic Insulators. The Club will use their own judging rules.

For information contact: Carol V. Anderson, 253 Barrow St., Apopka, FL 32703.

The Central New York Insulator Show, to be held May 3 at Whitesboro Sr. High School in Marcy, New York is granted NIA sanctioning.

This insulator only show will have no admission price; 60 tables are available, and as of March 26,20 tables had already been reserved. Tables 3 x 7 feet cost \$5.00 each. Exhibits are planned, with categories and judging rules used, those of the show host and not of the NIA. Selfcontained campers have free use of the school parking lot for overnighting.

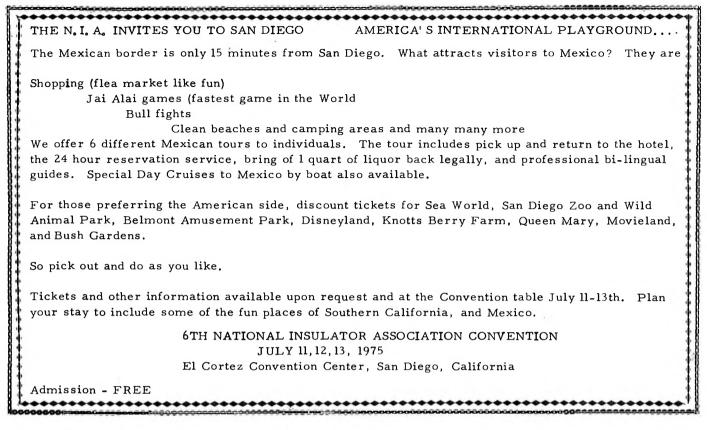
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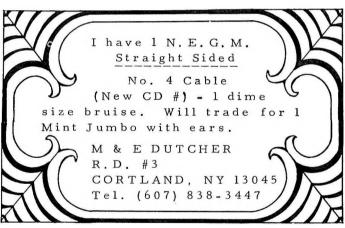


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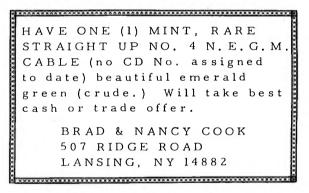
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MAY 3-4 Birmingham, Alabama A. B. C. S. 5th Annual Show & Sale, Brimingham Civic Center, 9th Ave. & 21st Street N. Info: Tom Watson, 1560 Pearson Ave. SW, Birmingham, AL 35211.

MAY 10-11 Hub of the Plains 4th Annual Insulator Show at the KO-KO Palace, 50th & Q. Info: Herman Jacobs, 2213-59th, Lubbock, TX 79412 (806) 799-4448.

MAY 17 Westerville, Ohio 5th Annual Mid-west Insulator Swap & Sale at the Grange Hall. Info: Don Bauman, 6706 Charles Rd., Westerville, OH 43081.

MAY 17 Moorestown, New Jersey 4th Annual Southern New Jersey Insulator Show, Moorestown Senior High School, Stanwick and Bridgeboro Rds. Info: Gene Bond, 15 East Camden Ave., Moorestown, NY 08057.

MAY 23-25 Seventh Annual Quality Bottle and Insulator Show & Sale at Quality Inn, Airport Blvd. and I-65. Info: Desmond B. Toler 309 First Federal Tower, Mobile, AL 36606 Ph. (office) 205-478-5267; (home) 205-4733864.

MAY 24-25 St. Louis Park, Minnesota Minnesota's First Antique Bottle Club, Inc. and North Star Historical Bottle Association, Inc. are proud to announce their fifth annual show and sale, to be held at Benilde-St. Margaret High School, 2501 South Highway 100. Info: Show Coordinator, 5001 Queen Avenue North, Minneapolis, MN 55430.

MAY 31 Fort Scott, Kansas Fifth Annual Insulator & Barbed Wire Show. 4-H Building at the Fairgrounds, 22nd & Horton. Info:Schroadter, 912 S Margrave, Ft. Scott, KS 66701. MAY 31-JUNE 1 Orlando, Florida

Mid-State Antique Bottle Show and Sale, Rollins Field House, Winter Park, Florida. Info: Carol V. Anderson, 233 Barrow St., Apopka, FL 32703.

JUNE 14-15El Paso, Texas4th Annual Insulator, Bottle, and collectibles Show and Sale,National Guard Armory, 9100 Gateway N & Hondo Pass. Info:Jerry Stevens, P.O. Box 6534, El Paso, TX 79912.

JUNE 22Washington County, PennsylvaniaWashington County Bottle and Insulator Club Show & Sale,<br/>Holiday Inn. Interstate 70, exit 4. Info: Bill Cole, RD#1,<br/>Box 342, Carmichaels, PA 15320 (412) 966-7996.

JUNE 21-22 Anaheim, California Orange County Collectors Show & Sale, Sheraton-Anaheim Motor Hotel. It will follow the National Association of Avon Clubs 4th Annual Convention. Info: Mike Reeder, Orange County Avon Club, P.O. Box 505, Garden Grove, CA 92642.

JUNE 28-29 West Monroe, Louisiana Northeast Louisiana's Bottle & Insulator Club's 4th Annual Show & Sale, Moose Lodge, 1710 Glenwood Dr., Show Chairman Charles Smith, 1618 Evergreen St., West Monroe, LA 71291.

JULY 11, 12, 13San Diego, California6th N, I, A. National Convention at the El Cortez ConventionCenter, 7th and Ash. Info: Maury & Addie Tasem, 519Verdin St., El Cajon, CA 92021.

AUGUST 9-10Fairview Park, Ohio2nd Great Lakes Insulator Show, American Legion Hall,22001 Brook Park Rd., exit 9 on Ohio Turnpike. Info:John & Carol McDougald, 4592 Andorra Dr., North OlmstedOhio 44070. (216) 779-8232.

SEPTEMBER 27-28 Grand Junction, Colorado Western Slope Bottle Club will put on its 3rd annual bottle & insulator Show & sale. Info: Bill Ellicot, 3289 E. 1/2Rd., Clifton, CO 81520.

SEPTEMBER 27-28 St. Louis, Missouis 1975 Central Regional Show and Sale, sponsored by the St. Louis Insulator Collectors Club at the Ramada Inn-South. Info: SLICC, P.O. Box 492, Ballwin, MO 63011 or call (314) 527-4853.

OCTOBER 4 Moorestown, New Jersey 5th Annual Southern New Jersey Insulator Show, Moorestown Community House, 16 East Main St. InfO: Gene Bond, 15 East Camden Ave., Moorestown, NJ 08057

OCTOBER 12 S. Burlington, Vermont The First Vermont Insulator Show & Sale, Rice Mem. High School Gym, Proctor Ave. Info: Frank R. Anderson, NIA #474, Lake Road, Charlotte, Vermont 05445.

OCTOBER 18,19,20 St. Charles, Illinois The 3rd Chicago Mid-West Jumbo Show, Kane County Fairgrounds, Randall Rd. Info: L. Veneziano, 324 Hawthorne Dr., Bensenville, IL 60106.

NOVEMBER 2 Clifton Park, New York Capital District Insulator Club of NY, 4th Annual Show & Sale, Clifton Park High School. Info: Co. Cham. Grant Barnes, 24 Harlau Dr., Scotia, NY 12302, or Tom Louden, 129 Sixth Ave., Troy, NY 12180.