

# SouthWest Tool Collector's Association

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NEWSLETTER

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## Stanley 1st Lateral # 2 Smooth Plane

By Charlie Koll

I have my own thoughts about Stanley No2 typing. Its not scientific but does apply common sense and logic. I think Stanley changed to the type 4 frog seat on No2 planes in 1872.and continued using the "J" cutters through the 1870's. At the same time they changed the "Y" yoke from a round tip to the present style. There are a lot of these types with the smooth frog seat that do not have the 71 cast in the bed behind the frog. I believe these are the type 3 No2 planes. When



Stanley ran out of these casting and went to another foundry to have new castings made, the new casting for the No2's had the "71" cast into the bed and became the type 4 as indicated in JW's book. Stanley was renown for using every bit of their stock and weren't

concerned about TYPES when they were putting planes together. I'm sure some of the castings with the "71" carried over into the type 5 first lateral No2's along with the cutters with the "J" logo. When Stanley ran out of cutters with the "J" logo later type 5 planes were fitted with cutters with the "P" logo and new castings did not have the "71" cast into the bed. Do to the fact that type 5 No2 Stanley's are a scarce as hens teeth I don't think they were in production for very long Like I stated when I started these are just some of the conclusions I have come to after examining hundreds of No2 Stanley planes.

### TOP 10 NEW YEARS RESOLUTIONS

- Spend More Time with Family & Friends
- Get in shape. Establish a routine exercise
- Enjoy Life More
- Quit Smoking, Drinking
- Learn Something New
- Eat more greens
- Work Harder
- Help Others
- Get Organized
- Stop making resolutions

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### UPCOMING SWTCA EVENTS

**February 5th**  
SWTCA/M-WTCA  
Super Saturday Meet  
Bedford, TX

**February 12th**  
SWTCA/M-WTCA  
Ground Hog Day Meet  
Bentonville, AR

**March 10th**  
SWTCA  
Houston Area Meet  
HoustonTX

**April 1st-2nd**  
SWTCA Semi-Annual Meet  
Arlington, TX

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**JENNEY**

JAMES E. of Addison, TX passed away October 21 with his family by his side. He was born November 8, 1930 in Lakewood, OH. He spent four years in the Air Force, although he was always a sailor at heart. He worked in the aerospace industry then went on to retire from American Airlines. He spent 16 of his 28 year S.P.E.B.S.Q.S.A. membership singing with the Vocal Majority chorus and earned five International Competition medals. He was also interested in vintage and military aircraft and had restored and flown a 1946 Aero Coupe. He was passionate about the family genealogy and had done extensive research on the family history. His wife Dorothy Gardner-Jenney of Addison; daughters Jeanne Hooper and husband Dick of Pensacola, FL; June Patterson and husband Rich of Arden, NC and Joyce Jenney of Colorado Springs, CO; step-sons Mark and Michael Gardner; six grandchildren and five great grandchildren survive him. Visitation will be at Rhoton Funeral Home Thursday, October 28, 2004 from 6:00-8:00 p.m.. A memorial service will be at 9:00 a.m., Friday, October 29, 2004, Valley View Christian Church, 17601 Marsh Ln., Dallas. The Vocal Majority will act as Honorary Pallbearers. Graveside commitment will follow the service at 12 Noon, Lane "B", Dallas/Fort Worth National Cemetery. In lieu of flowers the family requests memorial contributions be made to the Jenney Grist Mill Foundation, 6 Spring Ln., Plymouth, MA 02360.

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**AUCTION PRICES**

By Mike Urness

The following tool prices were gathered over the past six months from tool shows, eBay & estate tool auctions here in the Midwest (Missouri, Kansas, Oklahoma, Nebraska, Iowa, Illinois, Indiana & Missouri)

- Stanley 164 plane \$2000
- Stanley 112 scraper plane \$100
- Stanley 39 3/8 dado plane \$20
- Stanley 39 3/4 dado plane \$22.50
- Millers Patent #141 & set 10 blades \$900
- Stanley Gage G23 plane IOB \$220
- P.W. Slide Adj. 11-in. wrench \$200
- Stanley 74 floor plane (no handle) \$235
- Stanley 30 angle divider \$45
- Birmingham all-iron jack plane \$235
- Surgeon's bone saw \$50
- Stanley 81 cabinet scraper \$40
- Stanley 71 router \$35
- Tire bolt wrench \$45
- Robinson brace wrench \$75
- J. Chantrell 1883 brace \$60
- Nobles 1885 brace \$50
- Bedrock 608C Type 7 \$275
- Bedrock 608C Type 3 \$85
- Bedrock 608C Type 4 \$60
- Winchester 3524 brace \$35
- Stanley 37 transitional \$160
- Stanley 40 1/2 scrub plane \$65
- Box lot of 100+ folding rules \$700
- Stanley 94 carriage makers rule \$130
- Stanley 10 1/2 plane \$120
- Stanley 5 1/2 plane \$30
- Robinson Pat. hammer repro by Gene Harp \$150
- Bedrock 604 1/2 Type 4 \$435
- Bedrock 604C (round sided) \$70
- Sargent 5206 block plane \$12.50
- Stanley 77 dowel machine \$270
- Jennings take-down framing square \$100
- Stanley 141 Millers Patent plane \$400
- Stanley 57 core box plane \$250
- Box of 11 Stanley 46 cutters \$120
- double claw hammer \$110
- Stanley 444 dovetail plane \$200
- Stanley 10 1/4 plane \$325
- Stanley 64 butcher block plane \$1000
- Stanley 97 plane \$325
- Bedrock 604 1/2 (flat sided) \$325
- Stanley 113 plane \$175
- Stanley 3 smooth plane \$30
- Perfect Handle #641 wrench \$60
- Perfect Handle #642 wrench \$180
- Coes 4-in. nut wrench with rosewood handle \$450
- Lie Nielsen #1 plane new in box \$160
- C.E. Jennings folding handle drawknife \$100
- "IRON AGE" cut-out wrench \$12.50
- Sheldon Axle Co. Wilkes-Barre wrench \$75
- C. Sholl 4-beam marking gage \$90
- A.J. Wilkinson 6-in. drawknife \$55

- Oak Leaf folding drawknife \$45
- Bedrock 607C plane (flat sided) \$70
- Stanley 105 Liberty Bell Type I \$70
- Stanley 56 1/2 coopers shave \$150
- Perfect handle hatchet \$130
- Sargent 1068 match plane \$170
- Stanley #144 corner rounding plane \$140
- G.I. MIX carpenters slick \$110
- L.&I.J. White carpenters slick \$60
- Nicholas M. Jacobs fence hammer \$30
- Gentleman's work bench \$400
- Barnes Velocipede jig saw (unassembled) \$200
- Crescent double ended adj. wrench \$40
- Winchester 8723 breast drill \$70
- Stanley No. 2 plumb bob \$90
- Ampco beryllium nail puller \$50
- Litchfield M437 wrench \$70
- Oliver RP 208 1-inch double open end \$70
- Stanley 7-oz. hammer \$35
- Atomic hammer / saddle hammer \$50
- Piano tuners hammer/wrench \$12.50
- Stanley 78W weather strip plane \$200
- Stanley 40 scrub plane \$15
- Sargent 409C bench plane \$12.50
- Keen Kutter K240 scrub plane \$75
- Sargent 711 Auto-set jack plane \$100
- Preston Patent iron bullnose plane \$210
- Winchester block plane knuckle joint cap \$70
- Stanley 10 1/2 carriage makers plane \$150
- Keen Kutter K115 compass plane \$150
- Stanley 340 furring plane \$1375
- Stanley 164 low angle plane \$1550
- Stanley 196 curved rabbet plane \$425
- Stanley 85 scraper \$675
- Stanley 87 scraper \$1300
- Stanley 212 scraper \$1300
- Stanley 10 1/4C plane \$1300
- Bedrock 602C (flat sided) \$1000
- Sargent 707 auto-set plane \$800
- Bedrock 603C (flat sided) \$180
- Bedrock 603 flat sided \$150

*From the Editor*

The next newsletter deadline for submissions is March 31, 2005 and will be mailed by April 6, 2005. If you have submissions, please have them to me by the deadline.

I want to thank the following members for their article contributions in the past year. I appreciate your help and hope you will continue to contribute articles. It is your contributions that make the newsletter worthwhile for all the members.

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| Gregor Mszar | John Walcott   |
| Dan Klimpton | Mike Urness    |
| Charlie Koll | Jim Goodson    |
| Tim Melcher  | Bill McDougall |
| Tom Lamond   | Emery Goad     |

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# 18TH ANNUAL – 2005 groundhog day TOOL MEET

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# WANT ADS

## TOOLS - TOOLS - TOOLS - TOOLS - TOOLS- TOOLS - TOOLS

**WANTED:** To buy these wrenches that were made in Texas. DALTEX, BROWN, KELLY, KASCH, FIYE, CUNNINGHAM, and FLOWERS. Also a TRIMO gas fitters wrench which is in Schuls #637. Telephone Roy Huntley at 870-365-0053.

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**WANTED:** I will pay cash for box lots of old tools. I need tools that are attractive, have all their parts, have pretty woods or brass fittings, etc. Nothing rare and expensive, please. Charlie McAlister, 830-833-2905 or [raincrow@moment.net](mailto:raincrow@moment.net)

**WANTED:** Antique dental and medical instrument. Prompt payment in American dollars. Bill McDougall, 4020 Grande Dr. NW, Albuquerque, New Mexico 87107-2724. (505) 344-9272, [jandbmcd@aol.com](mailto:jandbmcd@aol.com)

**WANTED:** Private car/tool collector is looking for automotive script tools (non-Ford). Contact Roy Judd 2416 Hermosa Ave. Hermosa Beach, Ca 90254. [royajudd@aol.com](mailto:royajudd@aol.com)

**FREE:** ADS for the SWTCA E-M@RT monthly classified newsletter. All TOOL COLLECTORS from all clubs can place a reasonable number of ads each month. All ads should be received by the 1st day of the month for publication that month. EM@RT will be published during the first week of each month at a random time and date (whenever Gregor can get to it). Send all ads to [gregormszar@comcast.net](mailto:gregormszar@comcast.net). WHY HAVEN'T YOU USED YOUR ADS FOR THIS ISSUE?? IF NOT, TOO %^+@#\$\$% BAD, YOUR COMPETITOR DID!!

**WANTED:** Wood planes marked: H.G. Stillely maker. Planes are usually rosewood with Oakland or S.F. also stamped under the makers name. Tim Daniels, contact at [tdaniels@danielsandhouse.com](mailto:tdaniels@danielsandhouse.com)

**INFORMATION:** Sign of the Joiner, a quarterly journal on wooden planes, has started the 5th year of publication. The journal contains articles covering wooden planes and planemakers as well as unpublished marks and new information. New information is solicited from all those interested in wooden planes by American, English and Canadian makers. Subscriptions are \$16 per year. Please contact Pat Lasswell, 6211 Elmgrove Rd, Spring, Texas, 77389, 281-251-3121, or by email at [pmlasswell@ev1.net](mailto:pmlasswell@ev1.net).

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**FOR SALE:** Hundreds of top quality unusual hand tools, patented levels, patented planes, treadle equipment, braces, machinist tools, marking gauges, etc. Stanley, Sargent, Ohio, Union, and many more obscure makers. Not many hammers or wrenches. Almost everything is in excellent condition and will be upgrades for many. No junk. No fire sale prices either, please expect reasonable close to market prices. Example - Sargent Shaw's patent #14 (Stanley 5 size) in Fine condition for \$140 (book says \$100-\$200). Contact me with your want list. Steve Johnson 425-868-1532 or email (preferred) at [tooltimer@msn.com](mailto:tooltimer@msn.com).

**WANTED:** Winchester items, tools, sporting goods or advertising. No firearms. Collections or pieces OK. Please advise price and condition. David McDonald, 14211 Kellywood Lane, Houston, Texas, 77079. (281) 558-5236, [undermc@ev1.net](mailto:undermc@ev1.net)

**WANTED:** Cast Iron Levels in G++ Condition. Should be complete and intact. Also broken levels for vials, inclinometers. Please, no Stanley or Starrett. Gregor Mszar, (817) 937-5475, [gregormszar@comcast.net](mailto:gregormszar@comcast.net)

**WANTED:** Cash for antique tool collections, big or small. Also cigar box openers, call or E mail Larry Creedon 817-354-4612 [larryoldtools@aol.com](mailto:larryoldtools@aol.com)

**WANTED:** Fancy old levels by Davis, etc. Also any literature, etc., on the Davis Level & Tool Co. that would help with my Davis study. Thanks, Mel Miller, 360-274-4973 or [melmiller@adelphia.net](mailto:melmiller@adelphia.net)

**WANTED:** Early patented planes - all the odd, strange looking ones. Will buy complete planes or just parts. Thanks, Mel Miller, 360-274-4973 or [melmiller@adelphia.net](mailto:melmiller@adelphia.net)

**TOOL SWAP MEET INFORMATION:** TOOLSWAP/USA is the Voice of the Independent Tool Collector, Dealer, and User. The Web Site ([www.toolswapusa.com](http://www.toolswapusa.com)) links to Old Tool Dealers and Tool Events across the country. We also put on nine Old Tool Swap Meets in Southern CA (2 in San Diego, 4 in LA and 3 in Orange County). If you want to be on an Email Reminder List, send your name and email to [laura@toolswapusa.com](mailto:laura@toolswapusa.com). Plan your next visit to CA around an Old Tool Swap Meet. Check the Web Site for swap meet schedules. Laura Pitney

**WANTED :** - Habitat for Humanity of Taos, New Mexico uses draw knives to peel logs for roof beams (vigas) for affordable adobe houses they build. Donations of usable draw knives would be appreciated or I will buy user knives at a reasonable price. Also seeking information on repairing handles. Individuals or groups are welcome to volunteer to help build these houses. For volunteer opportunities contact the Taos Habitat office at 505 758-7827. For draw knife information contact Mike at 303 321-0578 or [mike-joanie@msn.com](mailto:mike-joanie@msn.com).

# WANT ADS

**SEEKING INFORMATION:** IMPERIAL AXE, HARDSOCG CO., Pittsburgh, PA & Ottumwa, IA: They made a number of forged products including axes. I am trying to determine what the center portion of IMPERIAL axe embossings looked like. (photo, rubbing, scan) I would also like to determine if they also used the brand PREMIER on axes. Contributor credit will be provided when project is published. Tom Lamond, 30 Kelsey Pl., Lynbrook, NY 11563-1516, or [TomLamond@aol.com](mailto:TomLamond@aol.com)

**WANTED:** It's not too late ... Axe and/or Hatchet labels or markings; copies or photos; B/W or color; hard copy or downloads. I'll redraw them. Also axe manufacturer and/or wholesaler basic information. Contributor credit will be provided when project is published. Tom Lamond, 30 Kelsey Pl., Lynbrook, NY 11563-1516, or [TomLamond@aol.com](mailto:TomLamond@aol.com)

**FOR TRADE OR SALE:** Good cutout DUANE H. NASH cast iron seat: \$150.00 or trade for wrench/wrenches. Some of you Texans should be able to get me wrenches marked DALTEX, BROWN, KELLY, or other Texas wrenches. I would also really like to have a TRIMO wrench, SCHULZ book #637 complete with tip cleaner blade. Thanks. Roy Huntley (870) 365-0053.

**WANTED:** Broken/damaged L.L.Davis/Davis Level and Tool levels – for parts. [gregormszar@comcast.net](mailto:gregormszar@comcast.net).

**WANTED:** Siegly Plow Planes #2, All Types and condition. Parts welcome. Jim Gatlin, 150 Longhorn Drive, Bastrop, TX, 78602-5053, (512) 321-2142, [jimpeggat@msn.com](mailto:jimpeggat@msn.com).

**NEW BOOK FOR SALE:** I don't know if you were aware of it, but for the last two years I have been working on a new book entitled A Source Book for Rule Collectors. Well I was/am, and it (actually two books) is now almost complete (at long last). I turned the larger part, the Source Book, over to The Astragal Press in August, and am just now finishing up the accompanying volume A Rule Concordance and Value Guide. [philstan@rcn.com](mailto:philstan@rcn.com). \$45.00 plus \$5.00 for shipping. Hoping to hear from you soon, Phil Stanley

**FOR SALE:** PLOW AND SASH FILLISTER COLLECTION. All very good or better quality. There are American, English, Dutch, German and Scottish planes. Most are from the mid 1800's and a few from the late 1700's. Contact Troy Marshall, [tmarshall@aol.com](mailto:tmarshall@aol.com)

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**WANTED:** All sorts of continental tools wanted .Contact [thierry@classictools.com](mailto:thierry@classictools.com)

**WANTED:** Quality antique tools for online auctions , visit [www.classictools.com](http://www.classictools.com) or contact [alex@classictools.com](mailto:alex@classictools.com)

**WANTED:** Breast drills, hand drills, push drills, bow drills, pump drills and Archimedean drills. Seeking the more obscure made in U.S.A. models for a research project. Even if you are not interested in selling, I'd like to hear about different drills in your collection. If possible send details & digital photos to Mike Urness at [PLNCRZY@aol.com](mailto:PLNCRZY@aol.com) or by snail mail to PO Box 6022, Chesterfield, MO 63006-6022.

**WANTED:** Old and unusual saw sets or saw related items. Prefer "as is" versus "cleaned". Ron White , [wwhite1557@earthlink.net](mailto:wwhite1557@earthlink.net)

**WANTED:** 6 inch cast iron Davis and Cook " L " shaped corner level. No cast breakage. Keith at [2lman@cableone.net](mailto:2lman@cableone.net) **WANTED:** Antique Pencil Sharpeners, prefer cast iron, pre-1900. Gregor Mszar, (817) 937-5475, [gregormszar@comcast.net](mailto:gregormszar@comcast.net)

**WANTED:** Patented Plow Planes, any and all condition. No Stanley please, except for Miller Patent. Gregor Mszar, (817) 937-5475, [gregormszar@comcast.net](mailto:gregormszar@comcast.net)

**WANTED:** Seeking material for book. All items marked "The Winchester Store" and all pre-1943 advertising, sports items and paper. Also ARMAX, BARNEY & BERRY, CRUSADER, and HENDRYX items. Tim Melcher, (918) 786-8500. [tmelcher@greencis.net](mailto:tmelcher@greencis.net) and at [www.thewinchesterstore.com](http://www.thewinchesterstore.com)

**WANTED:** 4" Crescent-Style Wrenches: I pay \$70 for J.C. Penny, \$200 for Keen Kutter-Simmons. Emery Goad, (888) 889-3340, [kisinc@swbell.net](mailto:kisinc@swbell.net)

**WANTED:** Still looking for Davis, and other interesting levels, and patented planes. Also interested in old wood and metal working machinery, and farm engines (the hit & miss type). Mel Miller [melmiller@adelphia.net](mailto:melmiller@adelphia.net)

**WANTED:** Early and/or unusual patented braces or brace tools. Send photo and price, if possible, and we'll see what develops. Bob Finch, [rffinch@aol.com](mailto:rffinch@aol.com) 303-232-1932

**TOOL CATALOG #49 AVAILABLE:** Two Chiselers is now offering Catalog #49 – April 2004. Subscription rate is \$20 for 4 issues (however long four issues takes). We publish when we get around to it, or when the shed gets full, whichever comes first. There is not much basis for you to guess when the next issue will be out. WE SELL TOOLS, NOT CATALOGS!! "\$10 or 10% Factory Rebate with order. Two Chiselers, 1864 Glen Moor Drive, Lakewood, Colorado. 303-232-1932.

**PLEASE HELP:** establish the online Catalogue of American Patented Antique Tools! Visit <http://www.finetools.com> for details. Steve Johnson

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# Upcoming Events

JAN 20-22	PAST SAN DIEGO OLD TOOL SHOW AND AUCTION, SAN DIEGO, CA	AL BENNETT <a href="mailto:albitron2@cox.net">albitron2@cox.net</a>
JAN 22-23	MWTCA AREA P MEET, YORK, PENNSYLVANIA	WILLIAM WARNER, 717-843-8105
FEB 3-5	11 <sup>TH</sup> MWTCA AREAS M & N PEACH MEET, MADISON, GEORGIA	PHIL BAKER, 941-485-6981
FEB 6	CRAFTS REGULAR MEETING, MASONIC LODGE, HIGH BRIDGE, NEW JERSEY	HANK ALLEN, 201-444-9440 <a href="mailto:ah524@attglobal.net">ah524@attglobal.net</a>
FEB 9	LONG ISLAND ANTIQUE TOOL COLLECTORS ASSC MEET, BRUSH BARN, SMITHTOWN, LONG ISLAND, NEW YORK	RAY WISNIESKI, 631-499-7115
FEB 12	MWTCA AREA A MEET, MEDINA, MINNESOTA	ERIC MATTSON, 651-462-3955
FEB 18-19	MWTCA AREA F MEET, SPENCER, INDIANA	MATT BORDERS , 812-824-9318
FEB 27	MWTCA AREA B MEET, ST.FRANCIS, WISCONSIN	GARY KANE , 609-877-9290
MAR 18-20	THE HARDWARE COMPANIES KOLLECTORS KLUB (THCKK) AUC- TION AND CLUB MEET, RICHMOND, MO	SIMMONS AUCTIONEERS , 816-776- 2936 <a href="http://www.simmonsauktion.com">www.simmonsauktion.com</a>
MAR 24	TOOL SHOP DOMESTIC AUCTION, NEEDHAM MARKET, U.K.	TONY MURLAND, 011-44-1449- 722992 <a href="http://www.antiquetools.co.uk">www.antiquetools.co.uk</a>
MAR 25-26	LIVE FREE OR DIE ANTIQUE TOOL AUCTIONS, INDIANAPOLIS, INDIANA	MARTIN DONNELLY , 800-869-0695 <a href="http://www.mjdtools.com">www.mjdtools.com</a>
MAR 26	45 <sup>th</sup> DAVID STANLEY INTERNATIONAL AUCTION , CHARNWOOD ARMS HOTEL, N. COALVILLE, LEICESTERSHIRE, ENGLAND	DAVID STANLEY , 011-44-1530- 222320 <a href="http://www.davidstanley.com">www.davidstanley.com</a>
APR 1-2	26 <sup>th</sup> INTERNATIONAL SHOW/AUCTION – BROWN AUCTION SER- VICES, RADDISON HOTEL, CAMP HILL, PENNSYLVANIA	CLARENCE BLANCHARD , 800-248- 8114 <a href="mailto:ceb@finetoolj.com">ceb@finetoolj.com</a>
APR 2	MWTCA AREA F MEET, FRANKLIN, INDIANA	NORM HECKMAN , 317-422-8482
APR 3	MWTCA AREA E MEET, LOVES PARK, ILLINOIS	GARY JOHNSON , 815-636-1464
APR 3	CRAFTS REGULAR MEETING, MASONIC LODGE, HIGH BRIDGE, NEW JERSEY	HANK ALLEN, 201-444-9440 <a href="mailto:ah524@attglobal.net">ah524@attglobal.net</a>
APR 9	MWTCA AREA Q MEET, CHARLOTTE, NORTH CAROLINA	BOB FIELDS, 704-393-1282

# AUCTION REPORT

BY MIKE URNESS

While it was still fresh in my mind, I sat down and wrote the following about an auction I attended in Paw Paw Michigan (Aug. 21, 2003). The one small ad I saw for the sale listed some very nice Stanley planes including Nos. 2, 2c, all the bench planes from 2 thru 8, 10, 10-1/2, 11, 12, etc., etc. What the ad did not state was that there were multiples of most of these and hundreds of box lots of bench planes, wrenches, saws, drills, braces and just about every other type of tool imaginable.

This sale was held for the estate of the Thom Brothers, but the few people there who knew the family say the tools were hoarded by one brother, and the other brother didn't even know what was in the building until after his brother died. Apparently he collected or hoarded other things too, as there was soon to follow a 2-day toy auction and a 2-day fishing collectibles auction. There had already been a sale of the coins. One of the auctioneers said when they first entered the house, coins were piled high on every flat surface inside.

There were many rare and unusual tools including a Hotchkiss Patent (May 4, 1852) quick adjusting nut wrench that sold to a tool dealer and longtime wrench collector from New York. This same buyer also purchased an old Duplex saw that had a blade with teeth on both top and bottom edges and a handle that was symmetrical to either cutting edge. It featured a big medallion with an eagle on it. A fist full of odd quick adjusting wrenches sold to a Michigan flea marketeer for \$550. An ebony plow with ivory tips that needed some work went for \$1800 and an absolutely gorgeous "A. Stanley" No. 26 rule sold for \$900.

Yours truly made off with a breast drill I've only seen once before. It's a ratcheting model made by Millers Falls that has a stock that can be removed and reattached in a socket so that the stock and breast plate are at 90% to the rest of the drill. It cost \$25. I also got a fist full of unusual quick adjusting nut wrenches for \$250, a box full of other odd wrenches for \$60, two Bedrock 608 planes for \$100 & \$125, a box full of drills and braces for \$60, another box lot of bench planes including two early Bedrocks for \$100, a very nice Winchester block plane for \$100, Keen Kutter bit set in original box \$80, and many other odds and ends.

The auctioneers had set up a big shade tent just outside the big building where most of the tools had been stored. Under the tent were about 16 to 18 tables. The inner ring of tables were filled with the 260 numbered lots, and the outer ring of tables held box lots. Inside the building were another 30 or so tables filled with box lots of every size and description. They began by selling the first table full of numbered lots. When that was sold they allowed the crowd to pull items from the box lots in the outer ring and put them on the empty table. These items were then sold followed by the next table of numbered lots and so on. By about noon, all the numbered lots had been sold and they were working on box lots with just a few items being held up and sold individually.

There was one box containing four or five Stanley 112 scraper planes and two or three number 10 rabbit planes that sold for about \$350. Other box lots of more common bench or block planes were selling in the \$25 to \$50 range.

This sale was one of the best I've attended from a buyers perspective for the sheer number of tools and from the number of very rare or unusual items that turned up in it. It was clear that Mr. Thom had hoarded for many years.

Tom Witte, who lives just two or three miles from the auction site, was contacted to "advise" the auctioneers. In my opinion, if they paid Tom to catalog this sale and had they held it indoors over a two or three day period, this sale would easily have netted the estate another \$25,000 to \$50,000 or more.

## Road Trips for Tool Guys

By Gregor Mszar

After a sweltering and stressful summer, I found myself looking for relief, and for me that meant only one thing: ROAD TRIP. After talking to my dear wife, I decided to take a short drive (900 miles) up to 2 tool shows in Northern Indiana/Southern Michigan.



My first stop was a relatively new tool meet. In its second year, the tool meet at the Sindelar Fine Wood Working Shop is steadily growing and draws folks from all over the country. Don Rosebrook,

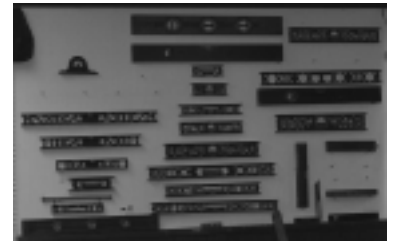


Willie Royal and Clarence Blanchard were some of the folks seen wandering both the parking lot and the woodworking shop. The threat of



rain (something we don't have to worry about in North Texas in the summer) forced most dealers in doors, and host John e had more than enough room around his factory floor for ample display. A number of us did set up outside, and sales were brisk. Carol Sindelar gave all attendees a keepsake for their better halves just prior to serving a fantastic lunch. In addition to his wood shop, John also has a spectacular tool museum dis-

playing his collection. As you wander from room to room, you are in awe of John's collection. Anything you can think of, he has. Along with the tools, John had commissioned a local artist to paint life-size murals of tradesmen using the tools of their trade. John's collection is fantastic and should be a stop if you are ever on the Indiana/Michigan border around Elkhart.



As the show wound down, folks started to pack up with plans to move 60 miles to South Whitley, Indiana. Just an hour's drive south was my next destination: MWTCA's Area F Darly;s Barn meet.

This meet has been a standard for the last 25 years in this hot bed of tool collecting.

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