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1988 AUCTION - BEST EVER!

Prices realized during the 1988 Auction covered a wide range. From a low of \$3 for a #1715 mandarin gold Ashtray, to a high of \$925 for an extremely lovely pair of #1307 3-lite Candlesticks in royal blue with the elusive Japonica decoration.

Prices realized from a few of the crown tuscan items pictured above were: 8" Dolphin Candlestick \$80; 10" Urn and cover \$100; 6" Globe Vase w/Portia etch and acid signature \$130; Eagle Bookend \$325; and Tombstone Bookends \$175.

(See pages 10 and 11 inside, for additional Auction Results information)

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THOUGHTS from your President It's a good thing we held the Auction when we did. A devastating ice storm hit our area last weekend (the week after the Auction). Mother Nature sure works in mysterious ways. She wreaked havoc just three days ago by destroying, or at least damaging, every tree in town and now she has given us 65 degree weather and sunshine to clean up the mess.

The Auction was a huge success again this year. We had a good turnout, many bargains were found, and yet we reached the highest total ever in receipts. Thanks to all of the consignors for the quality of the glass and special "Thanks" to all of you who attended, or sent in mail bids for the items. Total sales were \$19,250.50. The "Guesstimate" winner was Mike Arent of Cambridge, Ohio, who guessed \$19,435.00 He only missed it by \$184.50. Pretty good! The Auction Results List will appear elsewhere (see page 11) in this issue. There were some really fine items this year, weren't there?

RAFFLE TICKETS ENCLOSED IN THIS ISSUE!

Three outstanding prizes!

1st Prize - #3011 Nude Stem with amber Ivy Ball.
2nd Prize - #1675 3-part Relish with Eagle Handle
3rd Prize - Martha #209 82 3-part Relish with Blossom Time Etch

Tickets - \$1 each or 6 for \$5

The sale of the Raffle tickets began during the Auction weekend and will continue until Saturday evening at the Convention . . . when we will hold the drawing. All of you will receive one book of 6 tickets stapled into this issue of the CRYSTAL BALL. It is hoped that everyone will want to purchase this book and write for more. Perhaps you could sell them to friends, co-workers, family members, etc. This will be a perfect opportunity to get even with all your friends, etc., who are always selling you tickets, candy, and the like!

We do hope you will help us make this a successful project. For those of you who are many miles away and don't have the opportunity to help with the Museum, this is a chance for you to get involved. Anyone who wants more books, just send your request for the amount you need to: Raffle Tickets, N.C.C., Inc., P.O. Box 416, Cambridge, OH 43725, and they will be sent right out to you. For those of you in the Cambridge area who want more tickets, you can stop in at the Museum and pick them up. This is a Project to raise money for the Museum - Please do your part to make it a success!

Don't forget to send your stubs and money back in time to be entered in the drawing!

This is going to be an exciting year for "Convention '88." Mark Nye has come up with some novel ideas which I'm sure you will enjoy. He will explain all of the fun things he has planned, elsewhere in this issue. Mark always manages to keep some of his surprises secret until Convention, so you'll want to attend to take advantage of them. He will be asking for volunteers again this year . . . don't let him down! Please get involved! The more help he has, the greater success of the Convention.

Joy McFadden will also need much help again this year with the Antique Show & Sale. All of these activities entail a lot of work and the more help there is, the easier it is for everyone.

There was a slight delay in getting the Flea Market planned because of some complications, but Marybelle Moorehead should have them ironed out by now and you should have your contracts.

NATIONAL CAMBRIDGE COLLECTORS, INC.

ANNUAL CONVENTION June 23 - 26, 1988

PRELIMINARY SCHEDULE of CONVENTION EVENTS

THURSDAY - June 23rd

10:00 am - Convention Office Opens in Room 101. Registration packets available for pick up. Display Room glass accepted in Room 101.

5:00 pm - Convention Office Closes.

7:00 pm - Convention Chairman's Reception. Upstairs Banquet Room. Registration Required. Cash Bar.

FRIDAY - June 24th

9:00 am - Convention Office Opens. Registration packets available for pick up in Room 101. Glass for Display Room accepted in Room 100.

11:00 am - Slide Programs begin.

4:30 pm - Book Sales Opens - Lobby lower level. Display Room Opens.

5:00 pm - Antique Show Opens - Ticket Required.

7:00 pm - Convention Office Closes.

8:00 pm - Opening Session - Upstairs Banquet Room. 15th Birthday Party for N.C.C., Inc. Cash Bar - Cold Plate Dinner - Announcements Mini-Auction. Ticket Required.

SATURDAY - June 25th

5:00 am - Dealer set up at Flea Market. Admission Fee for non-dealers.

6:00 am - Flea Market Opens - Site to be announced. Admission Fee.

8:00 am - Buffet Breakfast - Upstairs Banquet Room. Ticket Required.

9:15 am - Saturday Morning Program

Guest Speakers: George Fogg and Frank Maloney.

11:00 am - Antique Show Reopens. Book Sales reopens.

Convention Office reopens - Room 101. Display Room reopens.

12 noon - Slide Programs Resume.

1:00 pm - Annual "Show & Tell" Program - Location to be announced. Bring your interesting items for discussion and identification. Leader: Lynn Welker.

4:00 pm - Convention Office Closes.

6:00 pm - President's Reception - Banquet Room Upstairs. Cash Bar.

7:00 pm - Annual National Cambridge Collector's Banquet. Ticket Required. Guest Speaker: Frank Fenton.

SUNDAY - June 26th

9:00 am - Buffet Breakfast - Upstairs Banquet Room. Ticket Required. Annual Meeting of National Cambridge Collectors, Inc. to follow.

12 noon - Antique Show Reopens. Book Sales Reopen. Display Room Reopens.

1:30 pm - Former Cambridge Glass Company Employees Reunion. N.C.C. Museum. Bill Smith Coordinator.

3:00 pm - Display Room Closes. Pick up loaned glass.

5:00 pm - Antique Show and Book Sales Close.

1988 CONVENTION

by MARK A. NYE 1988 Convention Chairman

By the time you are reading this, Convention 1988 will be less than three months away. I find this hard to believe, especially when I realize how many details remain to be tied down in the coming weeks.

Do your part in planning and preparation for the Convention by (1) planning to attend, (2) loaning glass for the display room, (3) loaning console sets for use on the Banquet tables, (4) promising yourself you will sign up to help in the Display Room or at the Book table. Remember, no matter how hard the Convention Committees work, it is the membership that makes the Convention a success, or failure, by their participation or lack thereof.

At the Chairman's Reception on Thursday night we will be having a Silent Auction, with all proceeds going to the Museum. We are in need of donations of glass, primarily from the 1950s, to use in this Auction. The glass will be on display and each person who wishes to bid will simply write their name and bid on a slip of paper and place it in a designated receptacle. Winning bids will be announced that night or at the Friday night session.

Friday night will be the opening session and the 15th Birthday Party of the National Cambridge Collectors, Inc. In honor of the occasion, the membership is being asked to give birthday presents to the organization, in the form of Cambridge Glass for our Museum. For more details regarding this and the birthday party, see the article, "Happy Birthday NCC," elsewhere in this issue.

I do hope to have two new slide programs ready for their initial viewing at the Convention. In addition, we will be showing some of the other programs that are in the N.C.C. program library.

In this issue you will find a preliminary Convention Schedule. I do not anticipate any major changes when the final schedule is finished. The final schedule will have specifics regarding slide programs and the locations for all events. Space permitting, the final schedule will be printed in the June CRYSTAL BALL, as well as being in your Registration packet.

Those of you wishing to loan glass for use in the Convention Display Room, please send a list of the glass you are willing to loan to: Display Room Chairman, N.C.C., Inc., P.O. Box 416, Cambridge, OH 43725. In this manner, we learn what to expect and can avoid duplication. Remember, we need any Cambridge glass from the 1950s. Check your 1949-53 and 1956-58 catalogs.

Motel reservations, regardless of where you plan on staying, should be made soon. The Shenandoah Inn and the in-town motels do fill up, so to assure yourself of a room in the desired location, reserve now. A list of motels is published elsewhere in this issue.

The Convention Registration Form will be in

the May CRYSTAL BALL.

JUNE 1988





by MARK A. NYE

Two vases from the 1949-54 period not mentioned in Part III are #1410 a 6" rose bowl, and P569 or Pristine 9" crimped vase, both of which are not new during this period.

During the 1950s, prior to the initial plant closing, the latter was offered in carmen, emerald, mandarin gold and ebony; while it appears the rose bowl was only produced in crystal.

Another vase made in ebony, sometime after the reintroduction of this color, is the #1237, 9" footed vase. All three parts, vase, "keyhole stem" and foot were made in black glass.

The Cambridge Glass Company closed during the summer of 1954 and in the spring of the following year (under new ownership and management) it reopened and production resumed. No price lists are known from the period March 1955 until March 1956. Price lists were issued in March and October of 1956, but it wasn't until December 1956 that a new catalog was finally issued. With a few exceptions, the price lists of March and October 1956 were identical in their listings, the prime difference is the pricing of the wares being offered for sale - with the October prices higher. The two lists provide identical listings for the category of vases; hence all the information cited from the March price list also indicates what was being offered in the fall of 1956.

The price list of March 1956 lists 24 different vases, many of which were held over from the earlier production period. These are: #274, #278, #1066 (ivy ball), #1237, #1238, #1410, and #6004 (both sizes). From the Pristine line #563, #565, #568, #569, #572, and #604. From the Cambridge Square line #3797/77/78/ 79/80/and 91. This group was being made only in crystal and several, such as both sizes of #6004, #1237 and #1238, continued to be used for etchings. Rose Point, Chantilly and Wildflower were done on all four vases during this period, with Rose Point and Wildflower available plain etched, with a gold edge, or gold encrusted. A fourth etching, and one introduced in the reopen period, was Paisley. It

will also be found on the 8" version of the #6004.

One of the next four vases listed in the March 1956 price list, the #1528 10" vase, was not new during the reopen period as it is shown in the 1940 Cambridge catalog. Since no reference to this vase is found during the years 1949-54, it would appear this item was discontinued at some point, only to have the mold reactivated during the reopen period. The other three, consisting of the #1517 6" vase, the #1518 8" vase, and the #1519 10" vase, were new to the reopen period, being produced from reworked older molds. This rework is documented in surviving mold order books and was recorded in December 1955.

During the spring of 1956, these four vases, #1528, #1517, #1518 and #1519, were being made in crystal and the following colors: smoke, pink, pistachio, moonlight and mandarin gold. There was no price distinction regarding color; price being determined primarily by size and ranged from \$1.50 each for the 6" #1517 to \$3.50 each for the 10" #1528.

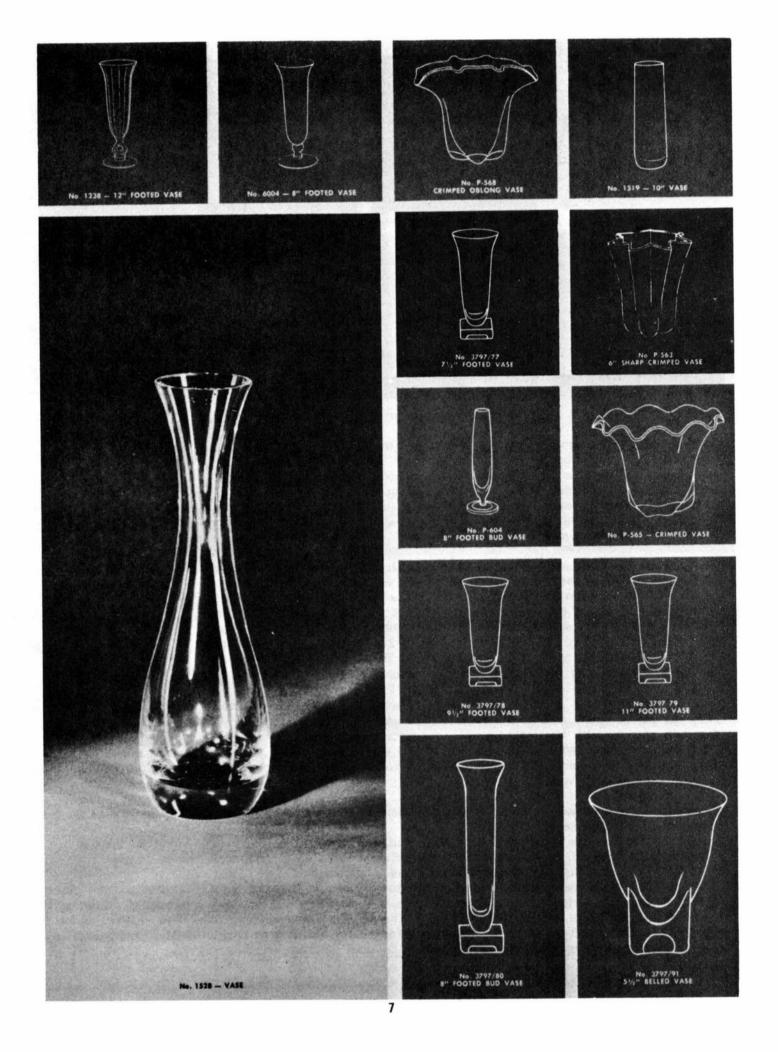
During the reopen period, Cambridge once again produced Crackled ware, albeit a small amount, and the #1528 vase was offered in crystal, smoke, pink, pistachio, moonlight and mandarin gold, Crackled. These vases are rarely seen today.

Crystal versions of #1517, #1518 and #1519 were decorated with the rock crystal engraving known as Starlite. At the same time the Pristine P580 8" flip vase in crystal was being decorated with the engraving known as "Duck Cattail." Somewhat unusual for the time period, the #1528 vase in crystal, pink, pistachio, moonlight and mandarin gold was being engraved Starlite (or #10P) and Wedding Rings.

Made in smoke, the #1528 was listed as being available with the gold decoration D/Star, while #1519 in smoke could have been had with D/Moon, another gold decoration. These two were later shown in the 1956-58 catalog.

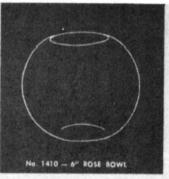
Crystal, pink, pistachio, moonlight and mandarin gold #1528 vases, in addition to being sold plain or with the two engravings, Starlite and Wedding Rings, were also listed as being decorated with three etchings, Lace, Lion and Today. These are obscure etchings, known to this writer only through their listing in the 1956 price lists.

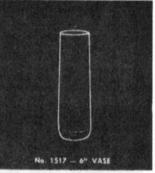
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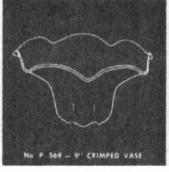
















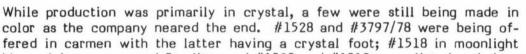
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Several rock crystal engravings, in addition to the two previously mentioned, were done on one or more vases during the early years of the reopen period. These include Harvest, Laurel Wreath, Lynbrook, Rondo, Tempo and Roxbury, all of which are listed in the 1956 prices as being available on one or more vases.





The last of the Cambridge catalogs was published in December 1956 and contained two pages devoted to vases, none of which were being seen for the first time. These two pages are reprinted in this issue and hence the vases shown will not be listed here. The final Cambridge price list was issued in 1958 and contained, excluding the Mardi gras line, listings for 15 different vases, #274, #1237, #1238, #1410, #1518, #1519, #6004 (both sizes), P569, P572, P604, #3797/77/78 and /80, the latter three being from the Cambridge Square line.





blue, plain or engraved Starlite; and #1528 and #1519 were listed as being made in smoke. In addition, a select few continued to be available etched Chantilly, Rose Point and Wildflower as well as rock crystal engraved.

The Mardi gras line was introduced in December 1957 and the following description comes from a Cambridge advertisement announcing the Line.

"This striking new gift line from Cambridge captures the Mardi gras spirit in unusual contours, shapes, brilliance and gaiety. Every color of the rainbow blends to give the light, bright touch . . . there's nothing like it anywhere!"

The line was made using crystal glass containing flecks of colored glass. Of the sixteen pieces listed in the 1958 price list, eleven are vases, all of which are unusual in shape; a design style some might call "free form." In addition to the regular line, the Sea Shell #46 flower holder is known with the Mardi gras style coloration. Very little Mardi gras is seen today. (The Mardi gras advertisement on page 9 is from the Crockery & Glass Journal December 1957.)





Aviati gras

This striking new gift line from Cambridge captures the Mardi gras spirit in unusual contours, shapes, brilliance and gaiety! Every color of the rainbow blends to give the light, bright touch . . . there's nothing like it anywhere! Made in two groupings of designs, ordered by assortment. Assortment A shown above consists of: 1-A, 10" Large Vase; 2-A, 41/2" Rose Bowl; 3-A, 71/2" Triangle Vase; 4-A, 12" Tall Decanter; 5-A, 61/2" Pear Shape Vase; 6-A, Ball and Neck Decanter; 7-A, Vase; 8-A, 4 x 4 Square Heavy Vase. The eight pieces net at \$40.00, retail \$9.95 each. B assortment has 12 items, \$36.00 net, retailing at \$6.00 each.

See us, see Mardi gras at the Pittsburgh Show! January 4-10, Rooms 834 and 835, The Carlton House.

Cambridge exhibits at all major shows.

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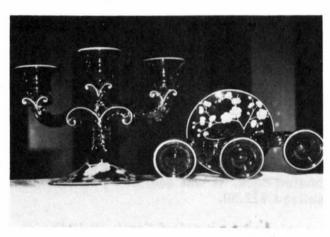
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auction report

by PHYLLIS D. SMITH

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This year has to go down in N.C.C. history as having had the "Best Ever" Auction! When I say "Best," I am speaking in terms of the outstanding quality of the Cambridge glass offered, total numbers in attendance, participation of our mail bidders, and the highest total of dollars realized from any sale of this kind. Auction Chairman Lynn Welker and his committee certainly deserve a "Well done!"



JAPONICA Candlesticks brought \$925



Green Carnival NEARCUT Thistle Bowl sold for \$120, and the Buzz Saw Tumbler for \$50

Well over a hundred interested Cambridge collectors turned out to help make this Auction a success. Just a portion of the crowd is shown in the photo at the top of the next column. Bidding was brisk and Auctioneer Craig Connelly managed to keep the audience in a lighthearted mood, with his quick wit and dry sense of humor.



FACES IN THE CROWD



Holding the Azurite Pitcher and Bowl that sold for \$775, is assistant Auctioneer John Kennard. Behind John are clerks Carole West, (right) and Vicki Wollenhaupt.



The seldom seen large Bunny Box hopped away for \$410 while the satin finish Lady Legs managed to bring \$100 - even the they did have a few chips.

Sorry, room does not permit comment on all the items sold. Get out your original list and write in the prices from the preceding page.
.......... Believe me, it is an education!

Club News

National Cambridge Collectors, Inc. Quarterly Meeting February 26, 1988 Shenandoah Inn, Old Washington, Ohio

The meeting was called to order at 8:12 pm by President Kolb. In attendance were 10 Board members and 56 Club members and quests.

The minutes of the previous meeting held on November 7, 1987 were read by Janice Hughes and approved.

The Treasurers report was given by Bill Smith showing the Operating Equity as of December 31, 1987 to be \$23,417.00 and the Museum Equity \$125,822.00. He stated he was pleased with last year's progress.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

BY-LAWS: Chairman J.D. Hanes submitted a proposal for a By-Laws change under Article III. The proposal will be in the CRYSTAL BALL and voted on at the Annual Meeting.

CONVENTION: Chairman Mark Nye reported the theme will be "Cambridge - the 1950s." A complete schedule of events will be in the April CRYSTAL BALL.

MEMBERSHIP: Chairman Phyllis Smith reported we now have 1,232 members.

CRYSTAL BALL: Editor Phyllis Smith reported the CRYSTAL BALL will be mailed on Monday, February 29th.

PROJECTS: Chairman Willard Kolb reported N.C.C. is holding a Raffle. One book of tickets will be in the CRYSTAL BALL and additional books will be available. The drawing will be at the Convention.

PUBLICITY: Chairman Joe Andrejcak reported all the free ads have been in the major publications and the paid ads will be placed in April.

MUSEUM: Chairman Bill Harbaugh reported the Museum will open on March 2. An 8 H.P. riding mower has been donated by Roger and

Marjorie Seaton.

PUBLIC RELATIONS: Bill Smith reported they will be guests at the Rochester, Michigan Show in May and the Lakeland, Florida Show in September. They will attend the N.D.G.A. Convention in Denver, Colorado in July.

FLEA MARKET: Chairman Marybelle Moorehead reported plans are incomplete at this time.

OLD BUSINESS: None.

NEW BUSINESS: Bill Smith reported nominees for the Board of Directors are as follows:

Marybelle Moorehead, Cambridge, Ohio Clarke West, Springfield, Ohio Dean Westfall, Cambridge, Ohio

President Kolb announced the floor open for nominations. Mark Nye nominated Cindy Arent, Cambridge, Ohio.

President Kolb closed the nominations.

The Door Prize was won by Lyle Welker and donated back. It was sold at Mini-Auction and realized \$22.50.

A motion was made by Frank Wollenhaupt to adjourn at 8:40 pm.

Lynn Welker presented "Show & Tell" and reported on the Auction glass.

Janice Hughes, Secretary

Study Club News

STUDY GROUP #8 - SOUTHERN MICHIGAN
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On January 17th, the Michigan Caprices met at the home of Frank and Phyllis Hayes. We had a quest from Grand Blanc.

The Program was "Did You Know?" I picked some interesting facts I felt the Study Group might not be aware of. Did you know that black glass was very popular in the late 1800s and early 1900s? Ebony, Ebon and Smoke were

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HAPPY BIRTHDAY N.C.C.

by MARK A. NYE 1988 Convention Chairman

This year, as you have probably heard by now, we will be celebrating our 15th Birthday! Now when you have a birthday you just have to have a party, and a party we will have - on Friday night, June 24th.

The theme of this year's Convention is "Cambridge and the 1950s" and in keeping with this theme, we are asking anyone who desires to do so, come to the party in 1950s dress!

The Birthday Party will be held in conjunction with the Friday night opening session and you must be Registered in order to attend. There will be special decorations, music from the 1950s, and a birthday cake, in addition to the regular activities and meal.

As we did for our 10th birthday, we thought you might like to follow the custom of bringing a gift to the Birthday Party for the celebrant. Of course, what the birthday celebrant desires is glass for the Museum. This is not mandatory and you are more than welcome to register for Friday night not bring a gift.

Any piece of Cambridge glass is acceptable as a gift and just because you feel you can't afford to give an expensive piece doesn't mean you can't participate. Our Museum is there to show the entire range of Cambridge production and the factory produced the plain Round Ware line as well as gold encrusted Rose Point on carmen blanks and Japonica candlesticks!

For those of you who do bring a gift, please attach a label with your complete name and address. We do hope to be able to publish in the June CRYSTAL BALL a listing of the glass the Museum now owns, in order to avoid duplication. If two of you bring identical gifts this year, we will ask if one can be placed in the Mini-Auction to be held that same evening. If you do not want your gift to be used in this manner, please write "Museum Only" on your address label and your wishes will be honored.

Friday Night should be a fun night, especially if most of us dress in '50s styles! Remember poodle skirts, turned up jeans and greased

down hair - but then, how could you forget?

There might even be a surprise or two in store for those who attend, possibly a prize for the "Best Dressed." Most of us will never be able to celebrate our 15th birthday again, or dress the way we did 30 years ago, but let's get together, celebrate NCC's 15th, and feel young again!

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displayed. Ebon was actually sand blasted to obtain that satiny effect. Did you know if you hold a Smoke colored item to the light the thick part of the glass will show amethyst?

Thanks again to back issues of the CRYSTAL BALL, a pair of Helio #200/2 7" candlesticks were shown for "Show & Tell." They had an iridescent treatment and gold cattail decoration in the middle of each candlestick. A sad tale about the breaking of a pressed Rosepoint crystal cordial was told.

I was happy to report that Phyllis and Bill Smith have agreed to be guests at the Great Lakes Depression Glass Club's Show, May 14 and 15. We will all be looking forward to seeing them there.

Our next meeting will be held in the home of Lee and Martin Coppo on February 19th.

On February 19th, the Michigan Caprices met at the home of Lee and Martin Coppo. One guest was present.

Lee chose for her program a very timely subject, Mardi gras glass. The only member in our group who has an item of this glass, was in Florida. We used our NCC Color books to help us imagine that we had a piece of this unusual glass in our hands.

Each member was asked to bring their first piece of Cambridge to the meeting. Of course, we had some very pretty items, but Lee's story was again, the topper! During WWII, Martin and Lee were living in Boston. They were being transferred and Lee was given a gift from her co-workers. It was a tall vase filled with flowers. The vase was Cambridge, of course . . . with Diane etching! What a terrific "farewell gift!"

submitted by Phyllis Hayes

for the CRYSTAL BALL for $\underline{2}$ years. The years are beginning to fly by too swiftly, and I almost forgot to send in my subscription.

I will be thinking about the Auction today with "tears" in my eyes because I am in Florida, 1,200 miles away from all 335 pieces of precious Cambridge!!

I brought the January CRYSTAL BALL with me just in case I could persuade my husband to return home before today! No such luck. Each time he heard the weather report for Ohio he said "We are staying HERE till it warms up in Ohio!"

There's always the 1989 Auction, but that is 365 long days away!

Sincerely, Martha Gilbert Ohio and Florida

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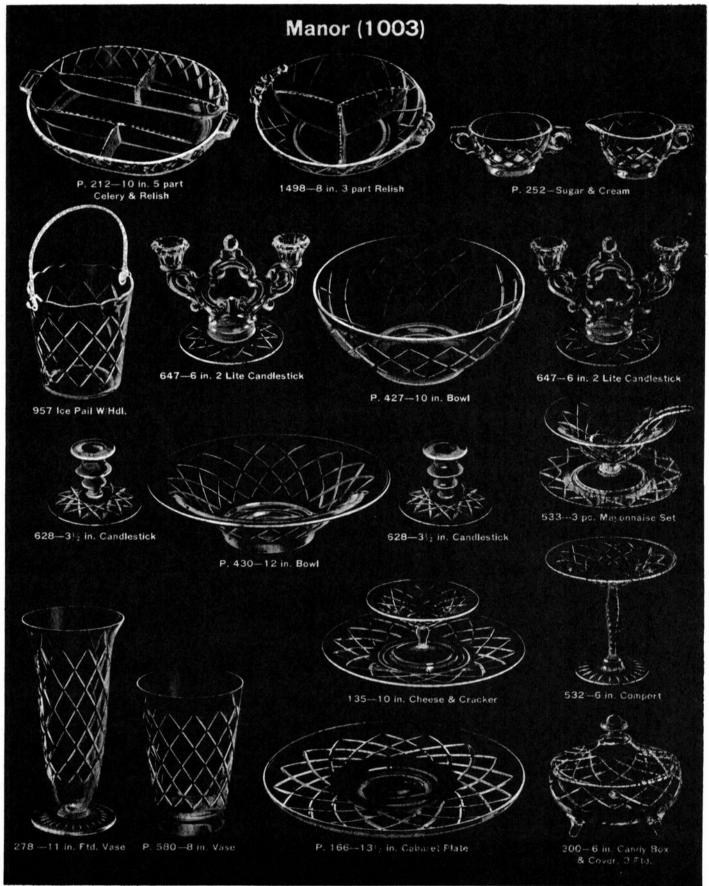
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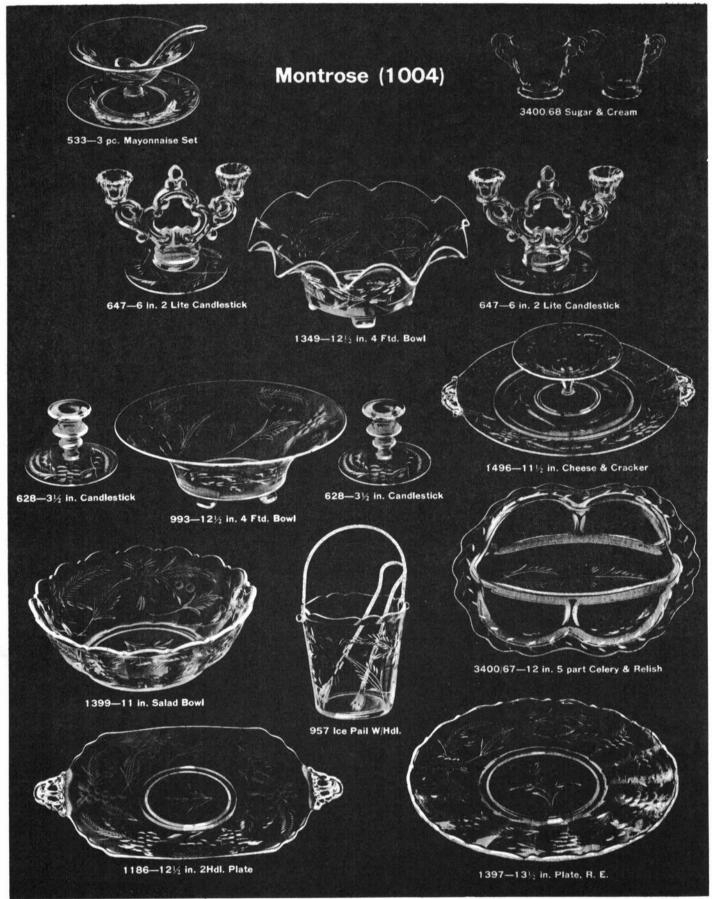


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