

## Greeting Card Business Wants to Get Super-DeLuxe Model for Truman

BY FREDERICK C. OTHMAN  
 --WASHINGTON, (AP)—The roses-are-red violets-are-blue I-love-you boys now have next winter's Christmas cards on the drawing boards, President Truman, and they want to do you a favor. Such as fixing you a little seasonal-lager of a Christmas greeting in 1946.

They aren't sore, Mr. Truman, because they figure you can't realize you did dirt to the \$130,000,000 greeting card business with your modest Christmas greeting last December. The sentiment was fine, but that card was too dang-erous plain and austere; no spang-les, no five-color angels, no show, no genuine gold leaf; nothing out some black writing on white paper.

**Future Is Dark**  
 If everybody else follows your example, Mr. President (and look at all the men now wearing presi-dential bow ties), the future is dark, indeed, for the greeting card industry. That leads to something else. The card makers are one of the most customers the postoffice department has. People buy \$100,000,000 worth of postage stamps a year to send canned sentiments to each other and there is a nice little profit to the government on every stamp.

I have been talking, Mr. Truman, to Stephen Q. Shannon, of New York, who is director of the industry, and he is a nice guy. He talks like a greeting card, sort of, and you don't catch him criticizing anybody.

As he says, a greeting card is a handshake across the miles. It should make the recipient feel good.

**Wants to Design Card**  
 "So what we'd like to do is design a card for President Truman that is typical of the most typical card," he said. "I mean we would make for him a card that would epitomize Christmas in the friend-ly sense to the 48th degree. We regard the president as a real human being and a grand gent and what we want to make for him is a card that would cause all his friends and neighbors to say, 'Isn't that beautiful!'"

He wondered, Mr. President, whether this offer might make you sore; I told him I didn't think it would. He said he was glad.

That seems to be the beauty of the greeting card business. Every-body in it is happy all the time, the sun shines daily and love notes roll from the giant presses at an incredible rate.

**Many Suggestions**  
 There have been many sugges-tions for cards which a woman could send to her worst enemy, but the industry has spurned them all. It hews to one of its best sell-ers, which goes like this: "I could walk down all the roads of the world, but never find a friend like you never, never, never." Numerous things currently are bringing joy to the industry's heart, such as the latest number, bound to be a steady seller. It be-gins: "Sorry to hear you had your tonsils out."

Under consideration by the board of directors momentarily is one which says: "Congratulations on your divorce." The members are as worried about that as they used to be about mothers-in-law. They eventually solved mothers-in-law brilliantly. The ideal moth-er-in-law card reads: "To the mother of the one I love best."

Ah, love, and happiness. And beautiful poetry. And may the paper bells ring out their peals of joyousness from the next batch of White House Christmas cards. May the greeting business contin-ue to boom.

**Seeks to Halt Litigation for Snuff Fortune**

HARRISBURG, Pa. (AP)—The State of Pennsylvania has machin-ery in motion to end 26,000 claim-ants' bickering over the \$30,000,000 estate of the late Henrietta E. Garrett, Philadelphia, whose hus-band manufactured snuff.

Attorney General James H. Duff, anxious to close the issue, will ask Philadelphia Orphan Court to compel estate adminis-trators to submit an up-to-date ac-counting of assets, liabilities and expenditures. The commonwealth can collect an 80 per cent inheri-tance tax (if the estate passes to a first cousin or relative more re-mote).

If no legal heirs are found, the state could employ the right of escheat to get the Garrett fortune minus a probable \$7,500,000 out-let to Charles Garrett Hall, whose 25 per cent share would be au-thorized under a Pennsylvania law compensating for those who first "inform" the commonwealth of property it has a good chance of taking over.

Hall was among the early ruled-out claimants who said they were "relatives" of Mrs. Garrett's husband, Walter Garrett.

**16 Years at Issue**  
 Hearings in the Garrett affair fondly termed by attorneys as "Pennsylvania's permanent law-suit," began 16 years ago, shortly after eccentric Mrs. Garrett died in obscurity at her home in Phila-delphia. She left no directions for the disposal of more than \$17,000,000 except \$2,000 in be-quests to employees and old friends. This was ordered in a letter to Charles S. Starr, wealthy investment broker and estate ad-ministrator.

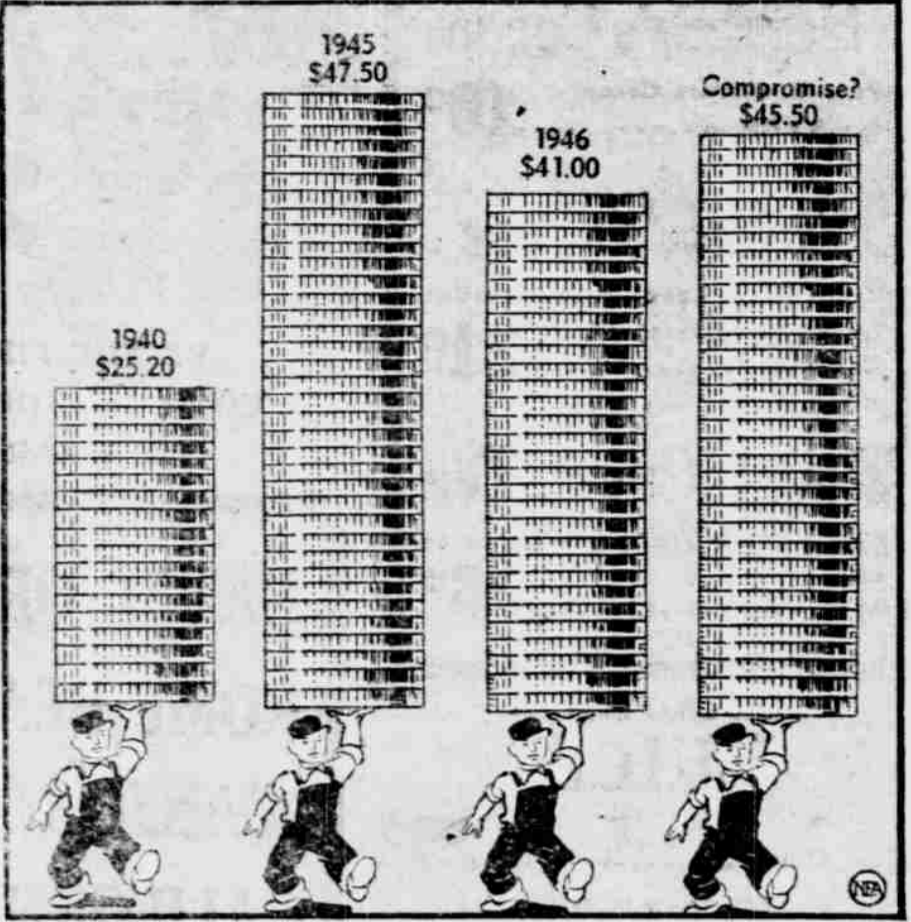
The parade of would-be heirs has been filing through Philadel-phia Orphan Court ever since. They came from nearly every state and from 29 foreign coun-tries. And they filled the record with tales of murder, fraud per-jury and some high-grade lying.

Ludwig Schaeffer whose last name was Mrs. Garrett's maiden surname, killed his uncle, aunt and himself in Nieblingen, Ger-many, because they refused to fi-nance his proposed trip to Philadel-phia to enter claim as a close rela-tive of the late heiress.

A municipal clerk in Germany received an eight-year prison sen-tence for falsifying records at the requests of other members of the Schaeffer family, who planned to name themselves relatives of the deceased millionaire.

**Warned of 'Scalawags'**  
 In Philadelphia, a charge was entered before the court that

## The Worker and His Take-Home Pay



The average weekly take-home pay of the U. S. worker is well above his 1940 earnings, but stands to go still higher if strike compromises result in proposed increases. Ingresses like President Truman's recommended 18½ cents an hour for steel workers would boost average for 40-hour week to \$45.50. Wartime pay of \$47.50 was for 45-hour week.

## Army Olympics Is Spur to Sports in Philippine Islands

SAN FRANCISCO (AP)—The Army Olympic games in the Philip-pines were only an interlude to GIs awaiting return to the United States, but they meant a new life to sports in the islands.

Dr. Regino Ylanan, secretary-treasurer of the Philippine Ama-teur Athletic Federation, known as "the father of Philippine sports," said pre-Olympic elimina-tion contests in 15 sports among Army personnel and Filipinos from Luzon to Mindanao, opened new horizons for island athletics.

Before the war, he said, sports were centered in Manila, Cebu and Panay, "but now the expansion takes in the whole Philippines." He expects baseball again to be-come the island national sport.

"Everywhere I see the kids playing ball, using even wadded socks for baseballs," he said. Ylanan said the PAAR planned to ask American teachers to join the staffs of Philippine schools and colleges and invite the best American teams in baseball, bas-ketball and tennis to tour the is-lands.

Ylanan was one of the first great Filipino athletes. He won the pentathlon in the 1913 Far Eastern Olympics.

He said he was convinced the Philippines had a bright interna-tional future, pointing to out-standing boxers like Pancho Villa and Ceferino Garcia.

He also told the world to watch the Philippine Davis cup tennis team in competition next June. The squad includes two veterans of the 1939 team, M. Ampon and A. Sanchez, who lost to the Aus-tralian team at Long Beach, Cal. after a hard-fought match.

## 80-Year-Old Flies For His Dance Date

DELTA, Col. (AP)—Starr Nelson is 80 years old, but nearly every Thursday he warms up his little airplane and flies to Junction City, Col., to take a lady friend dancing.

One of the world's oldest pilots, Nelson came to Colorado from Texas. He built an airport here at Delta, his home. It's leased to a private operator now and Nelson, a clear-eyed, spry oldster, flies just for the fun of it.

Nelson recently flew to Deni-son, Tex., once his home. He left there in 1886 on horseback, riding herd on more than 3,500 Longhorn cattle. He drove them to Dodge City, Kan., then went on to Colorado, where he settled.

Taking his first flying lesson at the age of 74, Nelson received his private pilot's license in Feb-ruary, 1940.

## Seeks to Halt Litigation for Snuff Fortune

"someone" slipped an entire forged page into the bound files of death certificates in the Vital Statistics Bureau.

Walter Garrett feared these en-croachments on his huge snuff fortune, which interest doubled through the years.

"Don't let the scalawags get any!" he wrote Mrs. Garrett 55 years ago. "I would not like it if what I have worked hard and long to accumulate should be squan-dered by your or my sisters, coun-cils and aunts and uncles."

Litigation has indicated that many of the 26,000 who claimed rights to shares in the estate were the "scalawags" Garrett appar-ently knew would seek illegal de-signation as heirs to the wealth.

Mrs. Garrett had no children and but one brother, a bachelor, de-ceased.

The futile search for a will went even to her grave. Mrs. Garrett's coffin was dug up when a rumor circulated that her maid had found a will and placed it in the casket.

The case has produced 50,000 pages of testimony and William M. Davison, appointed Master in the hearings, still listens to new mem-bers of the growing Garrett "heirs," every Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday.

**Steel Strike Causes Bobby Pin Shortage**

CHICAGO (AP)—Let your hair down, ladies!

Bobby pin supplies, short dur-ing the war, will hit rock bottom if the steel strike continues for a long period, hairpin manufactur-ers said Wednesday.

Right now there's about a month's supply of bobby pins in the country, and hair pin stock won't last much longer.

A week after the steel strike started some hairpin makers stop-ped taking orders from frantic wholesalers.

There's an even greater short-age of bobby pins that hair pins, bobby pins require a fine high tension steel which went into precision war instruments during the war.

One new company, not even in production, has orders that it won't be able to fill for the next six months even if the steel strike were settled tomorrow.

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## U. S. Expedition Will Hunt Wild Desert Sheep

PHILADELPHIA, Feb. 3 (AP)—William K. Carpenter, 26, Wil-mington, Del., and his wife Fran-cis have left for the desert lands of Mexico to hunt wild sheep which will be reproduced as a habitat group for exhibition at the Aca-demy of Natural Science here.

Carpenter, brother to Robert Carpenter, Jr., owner of the Na-tional League Phillies baseball club is a veteran wild-game hun-ter. He has been on five expeditions since he was ten years old, in-cluding two trips to Alaska, one to Greenland and one to Africa.

From the Greenland expedition, made when he was 13 with Capt. Bob Bartlett, of Polar fame, Car-penter brought to the academy several fine specimens of polar bear.

**Southernmost Type**  
 During the present 3-month expedition, Carpenter will hunt wild desert sheep, classified as the southernmost type of big horn sheep.

His father, R. R. R. Carpenter, vice-president of the E. I. du Pont de Nemours Co., Wilmington, Del., collected and presented to the academy a group of white sheep from Alaska, known as the northern-most type of big horn.

Charles M. B. Cadwalader, presi-dent of the academy, described the wild sheep as "one of the most difficult of all big-game animals to hunt" because of its superb agi-lity, wariness and extreme shyness. He estimated the cost of the ex-pedition plus the reproductive work which will take at least a year to complete at \$21,000. Funds for the project are the gift of R. R. M. Carpenter.

The desert sheep lives in the arid, hilly section of Mexico about 150 miles south of the border. Members of the expedition will camp at Port Libertad, Province of Sonora, in northwest Mexico.

**To Make Movies**  
 The Carpenters will be accom-panied by Harold T. Green, cur-ator of Museum Exhibits, and Ernest Miller, who will be in charge of camping and equipment.

Green will make color sketches, photographs and movies of the wild sheep. He also will collect plant and geological specimens. These, with the hides of the ani-mals, will be turned over to a staff of 14 specialist artists whose job it is to reproduce the animals and their surroundings.

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