

Raleigh Bottle Club Newsletter

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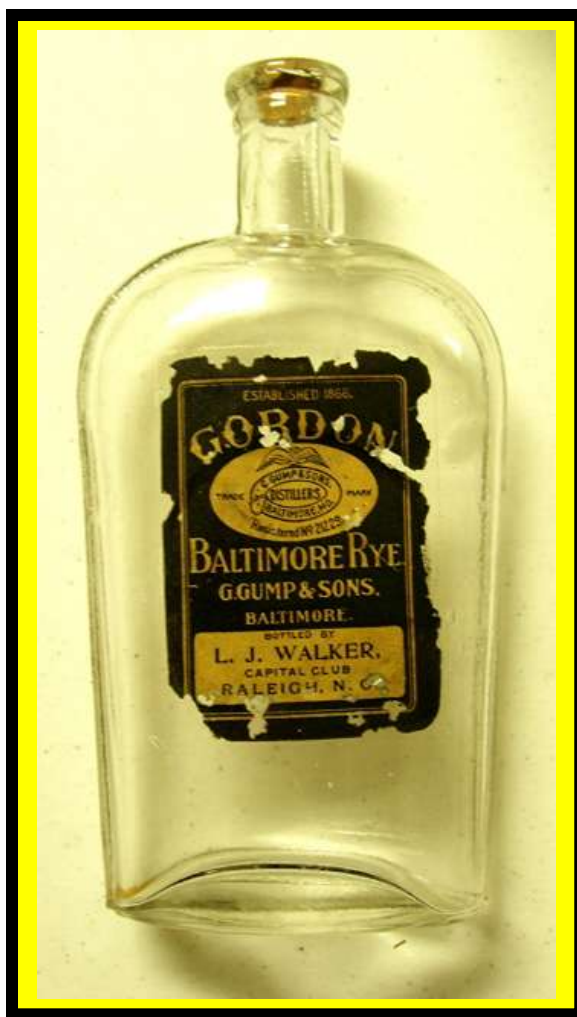
Every month the RBC officers attempt to schedule a special presentation. I guess the new President, Jack Murdock, couldn't find a volunteer for the first month of his administration so he did it himself. Jack's presentation centered around his early years of digging and savaging around the city of Raleigh, N.C. As you will see in the following photos Jack has amassed some beautiful and rare bottles and artifacts. If you want to know anything about Wake Forest sports or Raleigh bottles, Jack is "da man"!



Left: This nice jug was excavated from a well. A lot of debris was thrown in the well and several boards got lodged on the way down forming a platform. This jug was pitched in and landed on the boards just waiting for Jack to show up. **Right:** This W.B. Mann jug is one of two or three Raleigh jugs that have ever been dug from the ground.



Left: This two gallon beauty was dug from a hillside in Raleigh. Jack remembers the exact location. A bucket next to this jug contained a snake. That always jogs you memory. The handle on the shoulder usually is an indication of a very early jug. **Right:** This is a very clean four gallon jug found at the site of a demolished Raleigh home. Jack had to get down on all fours to peer into the basement area where he got a glimpse of the bottom of this nice jug. Jack be nimble, Jack be quick and Jack be the owner of some very nice jugs.



This rare L.W. Walker MUMM'S WHISKEY came from the prestigious Yarborough House Hotel in Raleigh, N.C. This hotel burned in 1928. **Left:** This nice L.W. Walker BALTIMORE RYE bottle came from the Capital Club. The Capital Club was a 'turn of the century' private club for men. This club was once visited by Carrie Nation, the famous Temperance Movement crusader. These are two very nice and very rare pieces of Raleigh, N.C. history.



North Carolina has always been known for their good whiskey. This S.T.SMITH PURE NORTH CAROLINA WHISKEY was sold at the PALACE SALOON in downtown Raleigh, N.C.



L to R: Pint 'Flared Lip' Carters ink, unnamed pint stoneware.ink, Amber F and J Arnold pint ink. Notice the pour spout on the two stoneware bottles. The dark brown stoneware ink is marked 'London, England'. These nice inks were dug in the Raleigh area..



This nice J.R. FERRELL'S GROCERY AND LIQUORS bottle is one of the nicest you will see. The unusual design and embossing make it quite a rare find. Jack found this beautiful bottle under an old house.

Below: This Civil War, Union Army, belt buckle was found by Jack while searching for bottles in the downtown Raleigh area.





There are very few amber Raleigh, N.C. bottles. This nice pint medicine from BOBBITT DRUG is very difficult to find.



Believe it or not, this nice RALEIGH STEAM BOTTLING WORKS seltzer bottle was dug in the Raleigh area. It always pays to dig a little deeper in the ground, or sometimes in your pocket, if you want a nice bottle collection.

One HACK of a Collection



RALEIGH, N.C.
19 2 15
ONE HORSE HACK



RALEIGH, N.C.
58
ONE HORSE HACK



RALEIGH, N.C.
19 23 14
TWO HORSE HACK

A HACK that required these license tags probably was a wagon for hire to transport various goods throughout the city of Raleigh. Early taxis used to transport people were often referred to as "HACKS" and the name stuck until the late 30's and early 40's.

A DRAY FOR THE DAY



A Dray was a low flatbed wagon used to haul goods and produce very similar to the early flatbed truck. The '50' plate may have been the all purpose plate for any "for hire" vehicle, horse drawn or motorized. The '157' plate is one used for early motor vehicles.

These two nice Salisbury, N.C. whiskeys were recent additions to the collection of John Patterson. The top bottle is a "H. Clarke and Sons SUNNY SOUTH WHISKEY". The bottom bottle is a "J.C. Somers and Son, QUEEN of the OLD NORTH STATE Corn Whiskey". These early 1900's whiskeys are extremely difficult to find.



Louisburg Bottling Works

By Bill Baab

Freddie Lee David Herman decided to get into the soda water bottling business when he bought an interest in the Louisburg (N.C.) Bottling Works owned by Blumey Miller in 1906.

Two years later, Herman owned the whole plant, said his son, George, 83, when interviewed at his home near Creedmoor, N.C. in May of 2008.

The business bottled Koca Nola, Rye-Ola and Nut Cola early, later adding Dr. Pepper and NuGrape. Also bottled was a concoction called "Satanet, The Drink with a Wink" produced by the Garrett Corporation of Norfolk, Va., that costs 5 cents a drink. Wording on a tin sign called the drink "as smooth as satin", yet spelled the beverage's name like the devil's.

Researcher Dennis Smith of Buffalo, N.Y. checked the name on the internet and found a label-under-glass "Satan-Et" bottle that sported a tin top used as a drinking cup. He also located the tin sign and a pocket mirror produced by the company.

The Louisburg bottling plant delivered its products in a 1914 Model T "car-truck."

"On Saturday evening, four bolts were loosened and the truck body would be replaced on the chassis by a car body," said George Herman, who was born in Louisburg in 1925. The company later added a 1918 T-model truck.

"My wife, Ann, rode in both those trucks, but she doesn't remember doing so," said George. The Hermans have been married 54 years. He recalled seeing a bottle washing machine and a bottle capping machine which could cap only one bottle at a time. "The washing machine had revolving brushes and whoever was doing the cleaning would take a bottle out of the water and push it onto one of those brushes. Then the bottles would be filled and capped. I remember Dad always tried to figure out how to cap more than one bottle at a time, but later said someone else had beaten him to it."

He said the company used lots of sugar in 100-pound bag and one time the price of sugar jumped to 27 cents a pound. Dad bought several hundred pounds at that price, only to see the price plummet overnight to 7 cents a pound!

George also recalled his sister, Dorothy, who was paralyzed from the waist down by a fall from a tree when she was 6, guarding a truck full of beverages at the Louisburg fairgrounds when she was a bit older. "She was sitting in the truck. She told me some boys had come up to steal some of the drinks, but she warned them off."

The business suffered losses when bottles simply weren't returned because there was no deposit system to act as an incentive. It was forced to close after the stock market crash in 1929.

"Dad later was able to recoup only 15 cents on the dollar, but that was better than nothing," said George, whose Uncle Ezra Herman also was in the bottling business, owning the Coca-Cola plant in Mt. Airy, N.C.

"Dad sold most of the bottling equipment to the Lane NEHI Bottling Co., in Henderson, N.C. Folks also broke into the plant and stole some things. I remember even later breaking up the bottle crates to use as firewood," he added.





Thanks to Dennis Miller of Buffalo, New York for his research and these great Satanet photos.

WANTS AND

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INFORMATION NEEDED

Bill Baab is undertaking a new venture. He is searching for information on the origin of bottle collecting for a future

will pay top dollar for bottles embossed 'Wilmington, N.C'

Sodas Medicines
Whiskeys Beers
Milks

Contact:
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FOR SALE

..... My long-awaited Augusta bottle and pottery book has been published, capping 35 years of research and collecting. 74 well-illustrated pages. "Augusta on Glass" costs \$40 (shipping charges included). Make personal checks or money orders payable to *Bill Baab*, 2352 Devere St., Augusta, GA. 30904.



..... Will pay reasonable price for glass two Liter soda bottles in very good condition, w/cap and bright color. ACL or Styrofoam.

Marshall Clements (919) 423-8557

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UPCOMING EVENTS

FEBRUARY 20-21 - COLUMBIA, SOUTH CAROLINA NEW

The South Carolina Antique Bottle Club's 36th Annual Antique Bottle Show & Sale (Fri. Noon -

6 PM, Sat. 9 AM - 1 PM, Adm. Donation to Boys & Girls Club; Set-up, Fri 10:30 AM - Noon) at the Meadowlake Park Center, 600 Beckman Rd., Columbia, South Carolina. Free parking, food available, 150+ tables - always a sell-out. INFO: MARTY VOLLMER, 1091 Daralynn Dr., Lexington, SC 29073, PH: (8/03) 755-9410, E-mail: martyvollmer@aol.com or ERIC WARREN, PH: (803) 951-8860, E-mail: scbottles@aol.com. Club website: www.southcarolinabottleclub.com.

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MARCH 14 - BADIN, NORTH CAROLINA NEW

The Uwharrie Bottle Club's 2nd Annual Antique Bottle & Collectible Show & Sale (Sat. 8 AM - 3 PM, Free Adm., Set-up 6 - 8 AM) at the Badin Fire Dept., Hwy 740, Badin, North Carolina. Free parking & appraisals. Food available. \$20 for 8' tables - 48 available INFO: **TODD McSWAIN**, 8649 Eddins-Poplin Rd., Norwood, NC 28128, PH: (704) 474-0552, E-mail: mcswain8649@alltel.net.

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MARCH 21 - DELAND, FLORIDA NEW

The M-T 39th Annual Antique Bottle, Insulator & Collectibles Show & Sale (Sat. 9 AM - 3 PM; Set-up Fri.) at the Volusia County Fairgrounds, S.R. 44 & I-4, Exit 118, Deland, Florida. INFO: **M. PALLASCH**, 7 Monroe Ave., DeBary, FL 32713; PH: (386) 668-4538 or **BILL MARKS**, 3110 Deer Trail, Deland, FL 32724, PH: (386) 736-7958 or Cell: (386) 299-4520, E-mail: bmarks2@cfl.rr.com.

APRIL 25 - AIKEN, SOUTH CAROLINA NEW

The Horse Creek Antique Bottle Club's Inaugural Annual Bottle Show & Sale (Sat. 9 AM - 3 PM) at the H. Odell Weeks Activity Center, Aiken, South Carolina. INFO: **GENEVA GREENE**, P.O. Box 1176, Langley, SC 29834, PH: (803) 593-2271, or **MIKE NEWMAN**, 600 Medinah Dr., Martinez, GA 30907, PH: (706) 868-8391..

MAY 1-2 - GRAY, TENNESSEE

The State of Franklin's Antique Bottles & Collectibles Association's 11th Annual Show & Sale (Sat. 8 AM - 2 PM, Free Adm.; Early Buyers/Set-up, Fri. 12 - 6 PM, Adm. \$10) at the Appalachian Fairgrounds in Gray, Tennessee. Johnson City, TN-Bristol, VA area, 150 tables available. INFO: **MELISSA MILNER**, PH: (423) 928-4445 or E-mail: mmilner12@chartertn.net.

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**The 2009 FOHBC National Show will be held August 1-2 in Pomona, CA.
For more information contact R.Wayne Lowry, 401 Johnston Court,
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**Raleigh Bottle Club
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If you have not yet joined the FOHBC I would strongly encourage you do so. There is no better way to keep up with what is going on in the world of bottle collecting. Membership includes a subscription to the BOTTLES AND EXTRAS magazine. Membership information can be found on the website:
www.fohbc.com



We invite you to join us at our meetings on the first Tuesday of each month. If you are interested in becoming an RBC member you can go to the web site www.raleighbottleclub.org for more information. If you want to talk to a club member about joining please give me a call....Marshall Clements 919-423-8557. You will always be welcome.

If you are a collector of painted label soda bottles you need to be a member of the Painted Soda Bottles Collectors Association. A one year membership includes bi-monthly issues of Soda Fizz magazine. This magazine is a must for the soda bottle collector. Soda Fizz is the premier magazine for the collector of painted label soda bottles.

*Send your payment to:
 PSBCA -The Soda Fizz
 341 Yellowstone Drive
 Fletcher, N.C. 28732*

RBC Website

"Take a look"

www.raleighbottleclub.org

If you have constructive ideas or suggestions please contact Robert Creech at:
raleighbottleclub@gmail.com

BLAST FROM THE PAST



SATAN-ET

"The Drink With A Wink"

This photo was submitted by Augusta, Ga. bottle collector and writer/publisher, Bill Baab