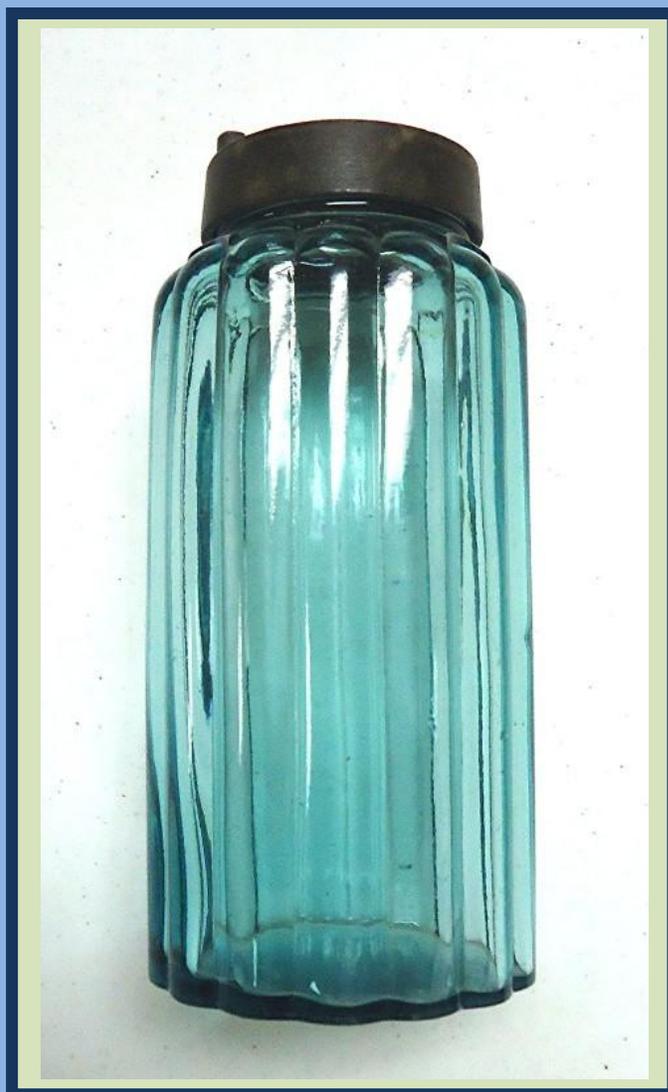


Bottle Talk

May - June, 2011



Rare 'Ribbed' HEMINGRAY Quart Canning Jar
From the Pem Woodlief collection

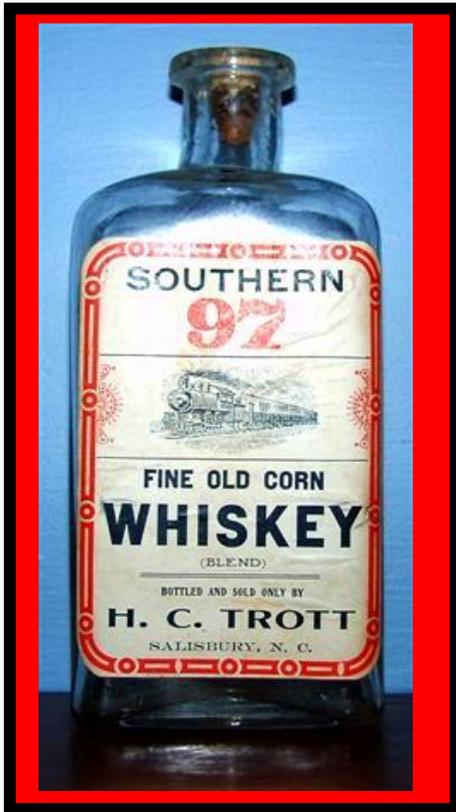
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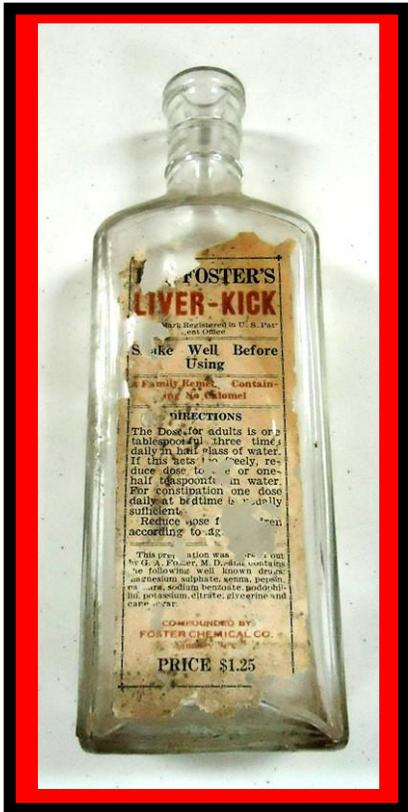


Pem Woodlief brought these outstanding canning jars for 'show and tell" The beautiful blue jar above is a HEMINGRAY quart. The bottom jar with the unusual closure is a LAFAYETTE pint. Both jars are extremely hard to find and extremely hard on your pocketbook. Thanks to Pem for giving us the chance to see these rare jars.





Thanks to John Patterson Jr. for this Salisbury, NC **SOUTHERN 97** corn whiskey bottle. Salisbury is famous for their Transportation Museum. No doubt 'Old 97' once rode the tracks of Salisbury.



Liberty, N.C. is not a large place and it's recent 'claim to fame' is the large Antique Show and Sale held there annually. David Tingen presented this nice "LIVER KICK" with a Liberty, N.C. label. This is a tough bottle to find.



Pepsi collector, Dean Haley, ran across this rare PEPSI tip tray at the local flea market. This is quite a rare find but if you get up early and hit the Saturday Raleigh Flea Market you might beat Dean to the good stuff but chances are all you will find is an empty space on the dealer table.



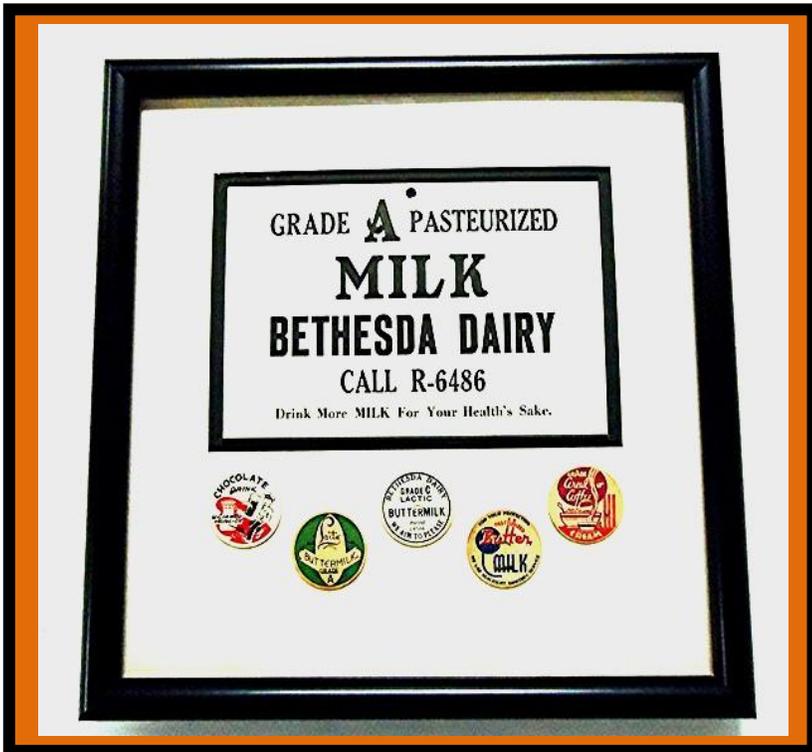
Have you ever seen a Mountain Dew Sonic Mystery Gun? This early Mountain Dew ad presented by Dean Haley shows one for sale.



Dean Haley found another nice N.C. item for his collection. Can you imagine that - a 10-cent beer?

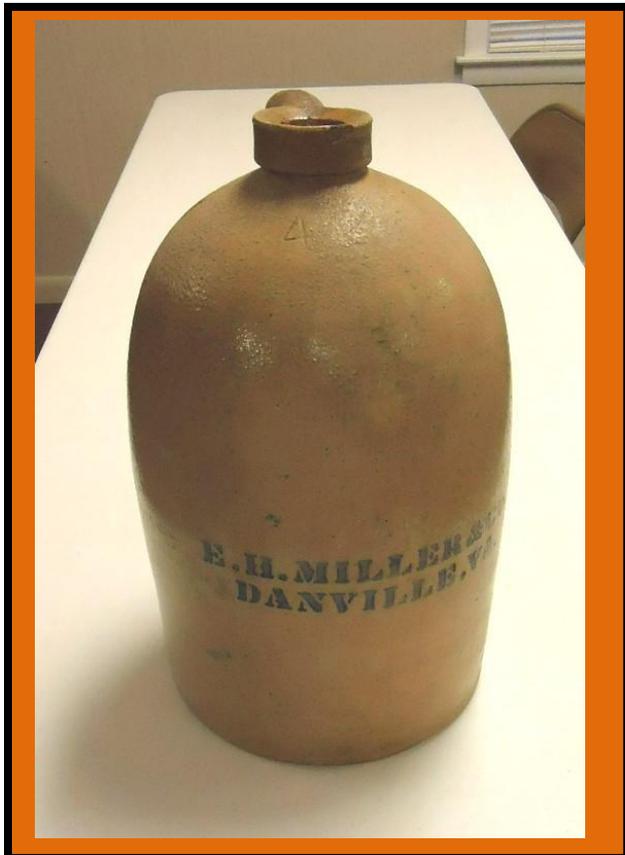
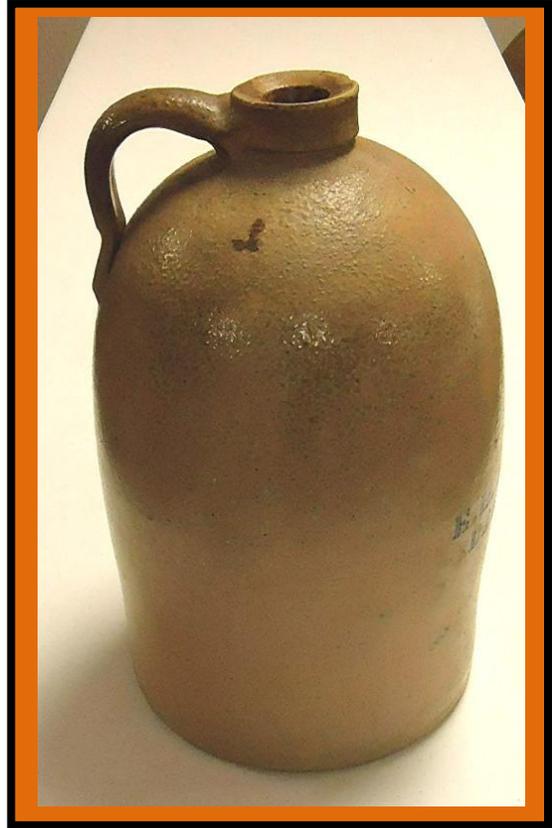


This colorful porcelain "store front" business advertisement was presented by Frank Bishop.



This nice framed BETHESDA DAIRY advertisement was presented by Whitt Stallings. The advertisement belongs to a friend, Betty Perry. Betty's family owned and operated the Bethesda Dairy in southern Durham County, N.C. for many years. Bethesda milk bottles are difficult to find but Bethesda Dairy advertisement is even more difficult.

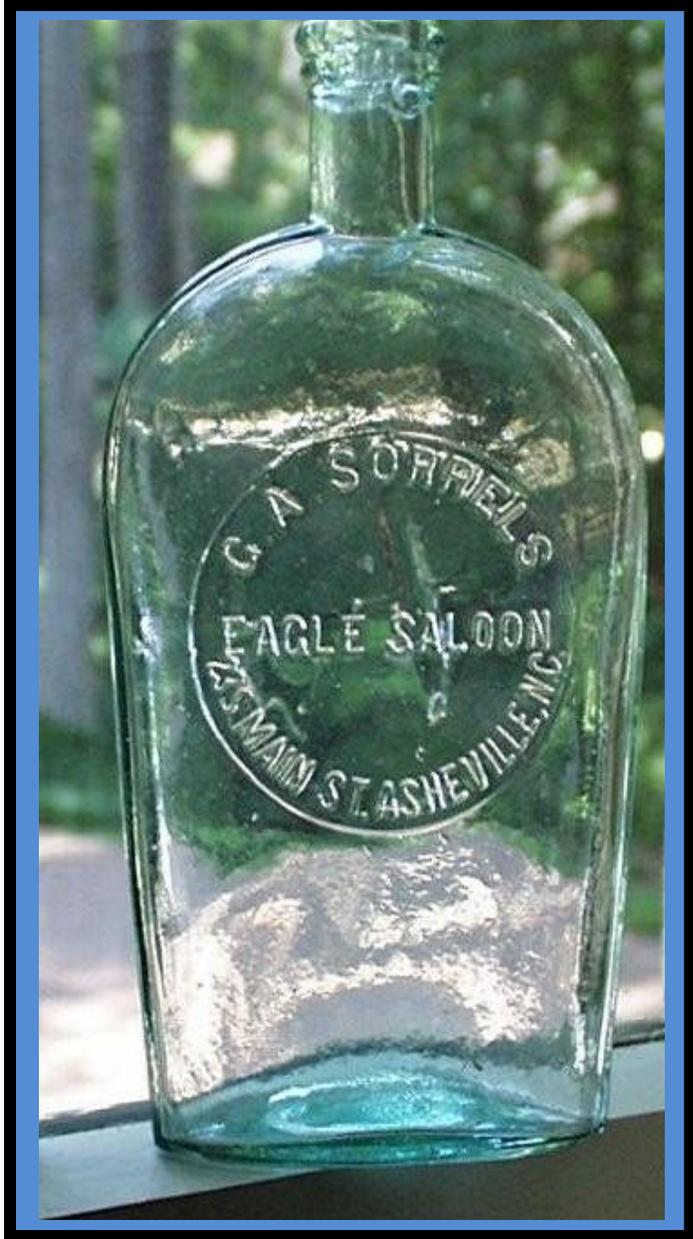
Thanks to Betty for sharing this rare advertisement piece with the Raleigh Bottle Club.



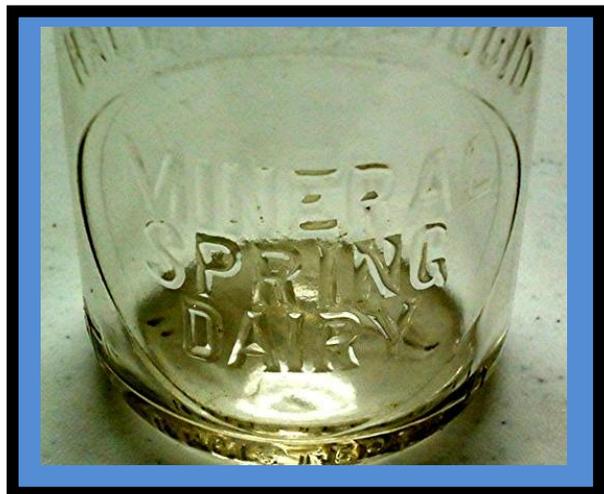
Frank Bishop brought this nice four gallon Danville, VA. stoneware jug for 'show and tell'. Frank seems to always come up with some really interesting and unusual pieces. This E.H. MILLER & CO. jug from Danville, VA. is almost as big as Frank. The larger stenciled E.H. Miller crocks bring from \$100.00 to \$200.00 so you can imagine what this nice jug might bring at auction. Frank is a collector of Virginia bottles, crocks and jugs as well as other Virginia collectibles. You can find Frank at: bottleman3@yahoo.com



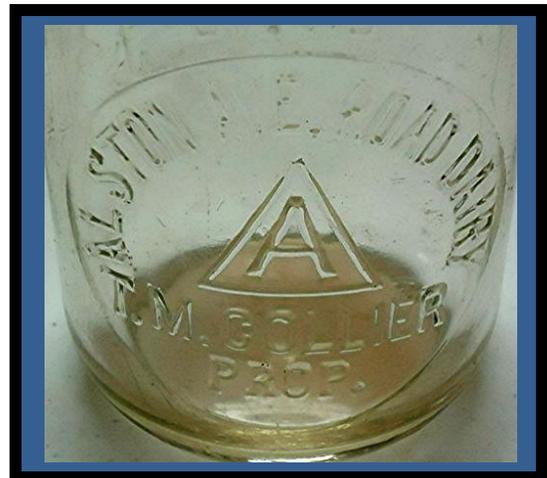
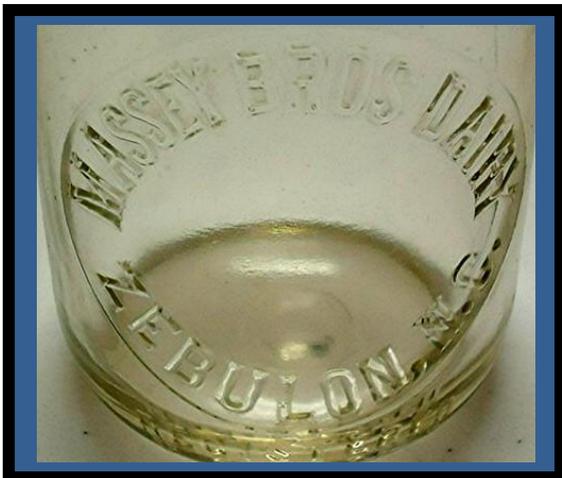
You have probably seen Bludwine bottles from time to time but you just might be looking at your first “tin pin” shaped Bludwine. Thanks to Frank Bishop for sharing this unusual find with the RBC.



Joe Williams has added another nice piece to his collection. This G.A. SORREL'S EAGLE SALOON slug plate flask from ASHVILLE, N.C. is a real jewel.



Pem Woodlief brought four N.C. pint milks to 'show and tell'. The above left photo is a VANCE COUNTY bottle probably from Henderson, N.C. The MINERAL SPRINGS bottle on the right is from Durham, N.C.



Two more of Pem's pint milks are pictured above. The photo on the left is a nice bottle from MASSEY BROS DAIRY in ZEBULON, N.C. Pictured on the right is the ALSTON AVE. ROAD DAIRY, T.M. COLLIER PROP. from Durham, N.C. Thanks Pem for bringing this bit of local history for 'show and tell'.

Show Calendar

July 16 & 17, 2011 (Saturday & Sunday) **Adamstown, Pennsylvania**

The 10th Annual Shupp's Grove Bottle Festival (Sat. & Sun. 6:00 am to dusk, early buyers, Fri. 3:00 pm) at the famous 'Shupp's Grove', 1686 Dry Tavern Road, Denver, Pennsylvania 17517, [Steve Guion](mailto:Steve.Guion@dejazzd.com), 717.626.5557, affinityinsurance@dejazzd.com

July 23, 2011 (Saturday) Tallahassee, FL

The 5th Annual Tallahassee Antique Bottle Show & Sale (9am - 3pm) at the North Florida Fairgrounds, Tallahassee, FL. Info: Britt Keen, 1144 Azalea Dr, Tallahassee, FL 32301, ph: (850) 877-44990, email: britt_keen@hotmail.com, www.floridabottles.comaol.com.

September 19, 2011 Winchester, Va.

The Apple Valley Bottle Collectors Club 36th Annual Show & Sale, (9 AM to 3 PM, early buyers 7:30 AM), at the Mount Carmel Baptist Church, Family Life Center, 1309 Opequon Ave, Winchester, VA. Info: RICHARD M. VENSKE, 2038 Chestnut Grove Road, Winchester, VA. 22603, PH: (540) 247-4429

October 1 Chesterfield, Va.

The Richmond Antique Bottle Club Annual Show & Sale, (9 AM to 3 PM, early buyers 7:30 AM) at the Chesterfield County Fairgrounds, 1030 Courthouse Rd., Chesterfield, VA. Info: MARVIN CROKER, 4718 Twila Ln., Richmond, VA 23234. PH: (804) 275-1101 or ED FULKNER, PH: (804) 739-2951, email: richbottleclub@comcast.net

November 5, 2011 (Saturday) Jacksonville, FL

Antique Bottle Collectors of North Florida's 44th Annual Show & Sale (8am - 3pm with early buyers Friday 5pm - 8pm) at the Fraternal Order of Police Building, 5530 Beach Blvd., Jacksonville, FL. Info: Mike Skie, 3047 Julington Creek Rd, Jacksonville, FL 32223, ph: (904) 710-0422 or Jackie McRae, ph: (904) 879-3696

November 20, 2011 (Sunday) Greensboro, North Carolina 10th annual Greensboro Antique

Bottle, Pottery & Collectibles Show & Sale indoors at the Farmer's Curb Market on 501 Yanceyville St, Greensboro, North, Carolina, Public admission 9:00 am-3:00 pm for \$1. Free appraisals. Dealer setup 7:00 am-9:00 am, No Early Buyers. Info: [Reggie Lynch](mailto:Reggie.Lynch@antiquebottles.com) 704.221.6489.

www.antiquebottles.com/greensboro

The show schedule published in BOTTLE TALK will generally list shows of interest on the east coast. It is not meant to be a complete list of all upcoming shows.

There are primarily two web sites listing shows throughout the country. If you are traveling on business or taking a long needed vacation, you might want to take a look at the following sites to see if there is a show in the area:

www.fohbc.com/FOHBC_ShowCalendar2.html

www.glswk-auction.com

RBC member Joel Sanderford found this entertaining story on the Halifax, Va. Website. If you plan to visit in this area I suggest you browse their very informative and helpful website.

Virgilina Distilling Company making progress

Four local sisters, the Whitt Sisters, are in the process of renovating the old W. D. Amis & Company Store in Virgilina to soon house the future Virgilina Distilling Company. Built in 1885 as a local general store, after major renovations the building will house the new distillery which will specialize in corn liquor and fruit brandies. Sharon Whitt Burkholder, one of the Whitt Sisters, wrote the article below about the history of the town of Virgilina, it's mining and moonshining, and her grandfather; it was carried in the American Distilling Institute's international newsletter.

During the great migration to America in the 17th and 18th centuries, settlers brought their meager belongings and diverse cultures with them.

These migrants settled the American Frontier and they began to grow crops. Money was scarce and these new settlers depended on trading for their survival. They began to make value-added products from their crops.

Distilled spirits were easily made from corn, fruits, and other grains and then exchanged for supplies and goods. Thus, the great American spirits industry was born.

The Whitt family settled in the Virgilina area in the early 1700's when Southern Virginia was a frontier. Supporting this new nation, they fought in the Revolutionary War. Some of the Whitts moved west, and many remained here. They farmed, raised families, and were productive.

Copper and gold were discovered in the Virgilina area in the 1800s, and companies from Boston to England began to invest in this area's mining industry. Virgilina was a frontier town, a wild-west town that thrived from this industry. Located both in Virginia and North

Carolina , Virgilina's rapid growth was due primarily to mining followed by the alcohol there.

Being a wet town in a dry area, Virgilina's distilling industry grew right along with the town. Our great-grandfather, General Lee Whitt, used to ride his horse to Virgilina to visit the saloons.

The railroad came to Virgilina in the 1880's, providing a means to transport copper, gold, and alcohol. The town grew, and according to local lore, Virgilina was once the home to over 8,000 miners. When minerals were found in the American West, the companies began to invest there, and they left along with their miners. The town began to decline, even though mining in Virgilina continued on a small scale until the 1950's. Prohibition effectively shut down the distilleries in Virgilina, further contributing to the town's decline. With prohibition came the increase in moonshining and bootlegging in the area.

Our grandfather, LeeRoy Whitt, was a farmer and there were not many opportunities for a boy with a 9th grade education. With a sense of sheer determination and a will to succeed, he made his living off the natural resources of the area. In addition to farming, he was a bootlegger, and is quite a legend with the old-timers around these parts.

His largest moonshining operation was in the Virgilina area, on what we know as the Christie farm. The natural springs, locally known by the old moonshiners as High Plains Northwest Blue, and were known to produce the best spirits in the area. He was an expert driver, and his bootlegging cars were fast. He used to tell us that his mechanic was Lee Petty, father of Richard Petty of NASCAR fame, and that he would race on the dirt tracks behind the Petty house back in the day.

Granddaddy quit bootlegging around 1960. The Feds arrested him during a sting in Person County , NC . During the chase, he was clocked going faster backwards than forward. He used to tell us that he would have "outrun 'em" had he not ran over a railroad track which knocked his car out of gear. He invested his money in over 800 acres of Southern Virginia land, and left it to us. *What the heck are we girls going to do with it?*

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BLAST FROM THE PAST



The above photo of the beautiful 1950 Chevrolet PEPSI route truck was sent to me by former RBC Secretary Janie Raper. Janie and Ron served the RBC faithfully as Secretary and Treasurer for many years. We wish them the very best.

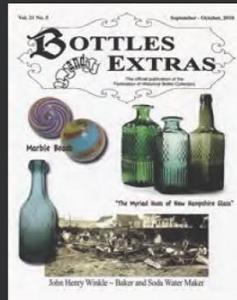
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