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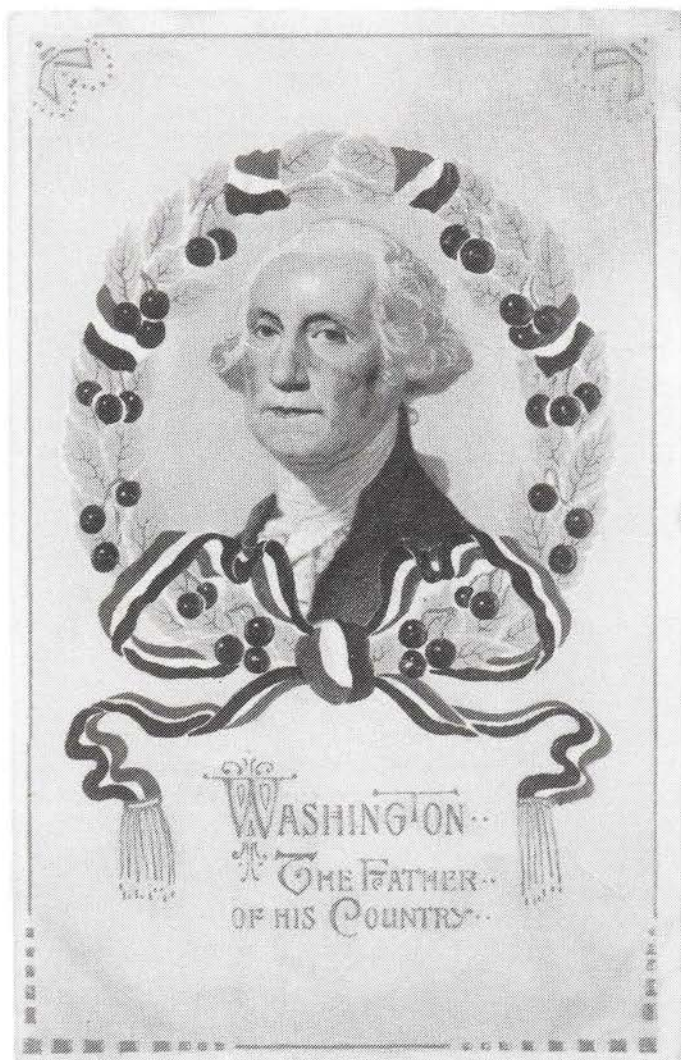
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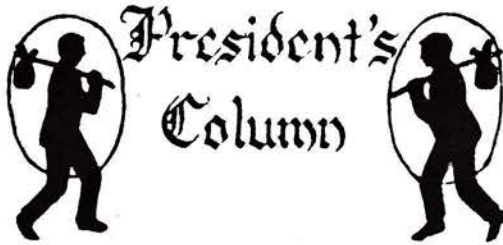
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FIRST PRESIDENTS



KEN BUTLER 1ST. PRESIDENT
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This Issue dedicated to the memory of our 1st. President
Mr. KEN BUTLER



Happy New Year to all H.A.S. Members and their families.

I'm sure most of you are looking forward to something new this year and I'm no exception.

I will be retiring from Central Telephone Co. of Virginia [Centel] sometime this year after 38 years on the job. Alice and I have bought a home and 9 acres of land near Glenwood, Ark. which is my birth place and was home to me before coming to Virginia in 1950. We will be moving down there shortly after this year's Convention. The exact time depends on when our house here is sold.

Collecting Alger books and keeping in touch with the H.A.S. will still be a big priority in retirement. In addition I hope to resume my interest in the collection of Indian relics. As young kids we walked the fields adjoining the Caddo River for miles searching for arrow heads and other relics. Of course, none of these relics were retained by us. They were sold for pennies to get enough money to visit the local theater to see our favorite Cowboys play in the Saturday afternoon double feature. Since the theater has long since ceased to function and I'm not quite as destitute as then, maybe I can start a collection.

We also hope to do some traveling after all the work is completed on the new place and after we catch up renewing old friendships and hopefully meeting some new friends. We invite our H.A.S. friends to visit us anytime you are in the area. Glenwood is 30 miles West of Hot Springs, Ark. on U.S. Highway #70.

I also take this opportunity to invite all of you to Bill McCord's Convention. It looks as if it will be a big affair with lots of Alger books for sale plus all the other series books.

Also, please send your auction donations to Bill as early as you can if you are not attending the Convention.

Jim Ryberg, Editor of Newsboy and Carl Hartmann, Executive Secretary have told me that they need more input for Newsboy from the members. Ant story on how you obtained a certain Alger book or just any newsy type letter will we welcome. Remember - Newsboy is for H.A.S. and if we don't contribute from time to time it will just get smaller. Please, let's not let that happen. Will everyone make an effort to send in something for the next issue of Newsboy?

Until next time I remain,

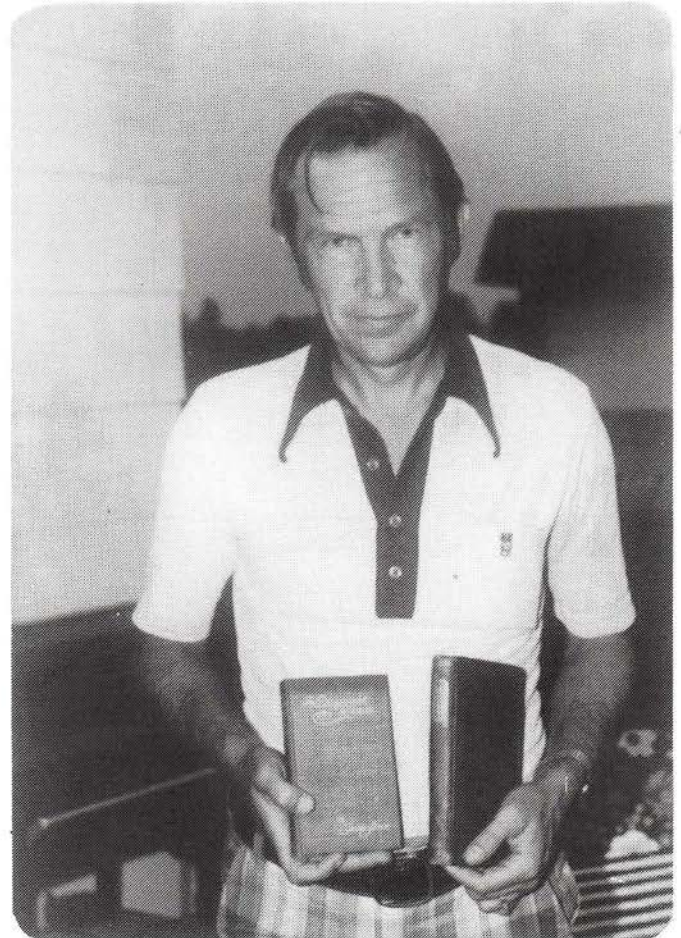
Your Partic'lar Friend,
George Owens, PF-586

SECRETARY'S NOTES

We still have a number of copies of ROAD TO SUCCESS - Bibliography of the works of Horatio Alger Jr. [1971] by Ralph Gardner. We would like to get these into the hands of Book Dealers around the country. If you have a favorite Book Seller send his name and address to me and I will see that they get a copy FREE. Any member that sponsors another member may have a copy for \$1.00 [to cover postage], along with a set of First Day Covers of the Alger Stamp donated Bob Williman.

Bob Bennett's Book HORATIO ALGER, Jr., A COMPREHENSIVE BIBLIOGRAPHY may be ordered from Bob Bennett for \$15.00 post paid.

For our newer members that may never have seen a copy of THE DISAGREEABLE WOMAN, A VERY RARE ALGER, below is a snapshot of Bob Bennet with his copy.



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HOSPITALIZED

Jerry Friedland underwent major surgery and will be home recuperating the month of February.

Alice Owens, wife of our president and member of the society, also had surgery and is now at home taking it easy.

NOTES

PF-821, Nina Tegarden would like to acquire some Alger Stamps. If you have any you would like to sell drop her a line.

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COLLECTING ALGER

THE ART OF COLLECTING, [ESPECIALLY ALGERS]

It was Christmas Eve, 1918. In the living room of a farm house near Childsdales, Michigan a nine-year old girl sat within the circle of light cast by a kerosene lamp. One book open before her, and another just within her reach. They were two of her Christmas presents. One was "ONE HUNDRED AND ONE FAMOUS POEMS", The other, which she found so engrossing was "HELPING HIMSELF", by Horatio Alger, Jr.

In these early years of the 20th. Century Alger books were very popular. They could be purchased in the 5-and-dime stores for 10¢ each. And even then dimes were hard to get. I remember baby-sitting for a neighbor about once a month and was paid by receiving an Alger book [a very few of which I still have]. One month I was disappointed - I had been bought a Boy Scout book- something about being behind the enemy lines in World War I. There were twin Boy Scouts named Porky and Beanie Potter! Perhaps some of you may remember these books.

Then the family moved to Belmont, a small village. I was 11 years old now in the 8th. grade. Just 2 others in my class, we studied Reading, Spelling, Penmanship, Geography, History, Orthography, Arithmetic [which I hated] Civics and Physiology. The geography book was so big that we could stand it up and could read fiction without being caught, or so we thought. Perhaps some of you remember these books.

Occasionally I had a chance to ride to the city [Grand Rapids] with the school teacher. I would stay overnight with friends. I almost always had 35¢ to spend. That would buy a Hot Dog for 5¢, another nickel for a Rootbeer, and 10¢ to go to the Orpheum Theatre with its movie and with a live performance on the stage [Vaudeville] and a serial. I remember "THE RADIO DETECTIVES".

Now, in Grand Rapids there was a downtown bookstore. It was owned by Mr. Shaw, who loved his books. He tried to get Algers for me. We used to have wonderful talks about books, and he got me interested in authors that were new to me. One was "THE HELMET OF NAVARRE", by Bertha Runkle. That one started me on History and Historical NOVELS. Another was "DRIVEN BACK TO EDEN", by E. P. Roe. I still read it every spring - gets me in the gardening mood. I added to my Ruth Fielding books, but slowly, as they were new and 50¢ each.

I also bought about 24 G. A. Henty's over the years and still have them. The Public Library had a sale and they were very cheap. I had some Tom Swift's but they disappeared. I still have the Camp Fire Girls series, "TREASURE ISLAND", and "BACK TO TREASURE ISLAND".

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Then I discovered the "GRAUSTARK", romantic novels and have all six of them. Because of them I yearned to travel to foreign countries, especially the Balkans, the British Isles, [I have been there 5 times] the Provinces of Canada, Mexico, twice to Hawaii and every state in the Union except Alaska. I was recently in Yugoslavia.

Then, in that bookstore I discovered Gene Stratton Porter. Through her writings I discovered the beautiful out-of-doors which lead to teaching 32 years of Nature-Science-Astronomy-Hiking, etc., Children's Summer Programs at the Grand Rapids Public Museum. I retired the last day of 1974.

And during these years I still read and collected Algers, but slowly. I knew of no one else who accumulated a Library of Algers. But it still was a magic name to me. Later I discovered Henry David Thoreau. I have 12 different copies of his "WALDEN". And I have visited the site of his cabin.

By the 1940's, because of a lack of space, I had disposed of some of my old authors: Mary J. Holmes, Mrs. E. D. E. N. Southworth and Charles Garvice.

During this decade I found "THE LIGHT OF WESTERN STARS" and "RIDERS OF THE PURPLE SAGE". Zane Grey fascinated me -- so, I began to collect his books. I have at least 75 Hardback Grey's and many paperbacks - I bought them new as paperbacks first came out. I gloried in the descriptions of the West and later, in the 1960's I rode some of those trails when at a Dude Ranch in Arizona. By the way, for two years or more I have been a member of the "Zane Grey's West Society" and have enjoyed its publications.

Also, here and there I found and purchased books by a Michigan author, James Oliver Curwood and have been to his Castle on the Bend of the Shiawasee River in Owosso, Michigan. In 1972 I learned about "The Curwood Collector" Edited and Published by H.A.S. member PF-386! I have Vol. I 1-2-3-4 through Vol. V 1-2-3-4-- Vol. No.1 has on its cover a reproduction of a sketch of Curwood drawn by the famous artist James Montgomery Flagg.

In the 1930's and early 1940's a Mail Order Book Company, The E. Haldeman Julius Company offered "Little Blue Books" for 20 for a dollar, postpaid. That was like discovering a gold mine. Oh, the books I ordered... I read and reread them--William Shakespeare's plays" were my first whole order. "The Lays of Ancient Rome" [Horatius at the Bridge]. I never dreamed then that three times I would visit Italy and would walk across the Tiber on the bridge that Horatius so nobly defended. I learned about dramas from Oscar Wild...committed the words of "The Mikado", by heart. These little books were about 3½ x 5½ inches...oh, the richness they brought me.

By this time I had accumulated quite a few Algers. I even had two duplicates! As far as I can remember these are the titles I had then...even have a few of them now...some very tattered [like Tom!]. "BRAVE AND BOLD", "ONLY AN IRISH BOY", "LUKE WALTON", "PAUL THE PEDDLER", "SLOW AND SURE", "HELPING HIMSELF", "MAKING HIS WAY", "DRIVEN FROM HOME", "THE CASH BOY", "JULIUS THE STREET BOY", "BOB BURTON", "RAGGED DICK", "THE ERIE TRAIN BOY", "STRONG AND STEADY", "LUCK AND PLUCK", "DO AND DARE", "STRIVE AND SUCCEED", "SINK OR SWIM", "JOE'S LUCK", "SHIFTING FOR HIMSELF", "ANDY GORDON", "GRIT", "THE YOUNG BOATMAN", "SAM'S CHANCE" and "PHIL THE FIDDLER". The I have read over and over, again and again, in troublous times.

About this time Grace Livingston Hill, was becoming very popular. Hers were "sweet" stories with a religious theme. Some of her earlier ones were published in the late 1890's. Even now some are being republished in paperbacks. I think I have about 97 different hardbacks and almost the same in paperbacks. THEY ARE NOT FOR SALE!

Somewhere in the 1940's I again struck a gold mine, in the person of a book dealer named Morris Teicher of Brooklyn, New York. I sent him a list of wants and he did his best to find them. When he sent a list of what he had found for me he described each book, its condition, where he found it, and even outlined the story! How I wish I had kept his correspondence, but I needed the file room.

He sent me many magazines and books wherein I found Alger short stories. I typed them and sent the books back to him. I think Jack Bales was then the Editor of newsboy and he used some of them. Sometime I must go back and check. I also typed the whole of "TIMOTHY CRUMPS WARD".

Teicher was quite successful in obtaining books in quite good condition for me. His prices ranged from \$1.50 for most hardbacks. "HELEN FORD" cost \$3.00 and "FINDING A FORTUNE" \$7.50. [Remember this was 1940 and early 1950.] But it ended tragically for Morris Teicher. He had been mugged twice in the foyer of his apartment building, and upon returning from a European trip in the fall of 1958 I had a letter from his sister saying he had died suddenly. So that ended a satisfying mutual relationship.

It was through Teicher THAT I learned that some titles I had tried to obtain were non-existent. I will give the list here especially for new H.A.S. members. "BEN BARTON'S BATTLE", "CAL COOPER'S TRIUMPH", "FRANK STARR'S PURPOSE", "HOBART, THE HIRED BOY", "THE MAKING OF A MAN", "NED NESTOR'S PLAN", "PLAN AND PROSPER", "TOWARD THE TOP", "THE LAST WORD", "SANDY STONE", "UP THE LADDER", "THE YOUNG ENTERTAINER", and "THE YOUNG SOLDIER". These are called "Ghost Titles".

THE HORATIO ALGER SOCIETY

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THE LOST LIFE OF HORATIO ALGER, JR., by Gary Scharnhorst with Jack Bales. Is recognized as the definitive biography of Horatio Alger, Jr., and HORATIO ALGER, JR.: A COMPREHENSIVE BIBLIOGRAPHY, by Bob Bennett, is recognized as the most current definitive authority on Alger's works. Letters and manuscripts are welcomed but will not be returned unless a self-addressed stamped envelope is included with each submission.

In the 1950's I made two trips to Europe. Spending quite a bit of time in the British Isles where I had friends... I contacted book stores but did not find any of the Garfield Library, Aldine Publications.

I started to collect certain paperbacks by authors I enjoy: Lucy Walker, Edward S. Aarons, Phyllis Whitney, Mary Stewart, Mable Seeley, and Dorothy Sayers. And added to my hardback Joseph C. Lincoln, [visited his home on Cape Cod one ummer.] and tried to get a better copy of Ethel M. Dell's "LAMP IN THE DESERT" but no luck. That was the time I started to accumulate my extensive library of Gardening Books.

Now it is late 1960 and early 1970. I had been employed at the Grand Rapids Public Museum as a curator since 1943. In one edition of the Grand Rapids Press there was my picture and quite a lengthy story of my activities. I mentioned among my hobbies that I collected Horatio Alger books, and had some 80 titles. I immediately received a letter from Carl Hartmann, Secretary of the HORATIO ALGER SOCIETY, inviting me to join the Club. Of course I joined immediately and enthusiastically! Since that time I have attended at least 14 of the annual conventions. I once served as Vice-President, and at the present time I am a Board member.

You maybe interested that during these past years I have come across many allusions to Alger: quotes, even short stories. I have the book "ALGER STREET, THE POETRY OF HORATIO ALGER, Jr.", edited and published by Gilbert K. Westgard II, [1964]. "ALGER, BIOGRAPHY WITHOUT A HERO" autographed by the author, MCMXXVIII, Herbert R. Mayes. Also the new edition, 1978, Published by Westgard. "A TREASURY OF AMERICAN FOLKLORE", "CHRISTMAS IN THE GOOD OLD DAYS" Published by Chilton Company has a short Alger story MR. BUFFINGTON'S LESSON. Another book is "LOST MEN OF AMERICAN HISTORY" by Stewart Holbrook. "NEW ENGLAND INDIAN SUMMER" by Van Wyck Brooks [a most lurid and untrue description.] "GOLDEN MULTITUDES" is the story of best sellers in the United States, by Frank Mott. "FROM RAGS TO RICHES" by John Tebbel. [This is a re-hash of Herbert Mayes fictional biography.] "THE ROAD TO SUCCESS" a paperback [mine is autographed] by Ralph D. Gardner. Wayside Press, 1971. "A GIFT OF LAUGHTER" by Allen Sherman. A Fawcett Crest paperback. He wrote "My favorite author during childhood was Horatio Alger. I loved his stories. I devoured them. 'I will always be grateful for buying me a complete set.'" [?] Another book was "MURDER 97" by Frank Gruber.

In going through my books in my A. L. Burt edition of "THE ERRAND BOY" I found the inscription that it had been given as a Christmas gift, Dec 25, 1894 [While Alger was still alive].

Other books I have that may still be obtainable are new editions of some of Alger's stories, some have never been in published book form. Each one is individually numbered by the publisher, Gilbert K. Westgard II. They are beautiful editions. By the way, Westgard is a life member of the Horatio Alger Society, PF-024.

These books are: "THE NEW SCHOOLMA'AM" [1976]. "TIMOTHY CRUMP'S WARD" [1977]. "NUMBER 91" [1977]. "HUGO, THE DEFORMED" [1978]. "NOTHING TO DO" [1978]. "THE DISAGREEABLE WOMAN" [1978]. "GRANDFATHER BALDIN'S THANKSGIVING" [1978]. "TOM TRACY" [1978]. "BERTHA'S CHRISTMAS VISION" [1978]. "MAKING HIS MARK" [1979]. "WAIT AND WIN" [1979]...

Other lately published books "A COMPREHENSIVE BIBLIOGRAPHY" by Bob Bennett, Flying Eagle Publishing Company, [1980]. "MABEL PARKER OR THE HIDDEN TREASURE" by Alger, with a preface by Gary Scharnhorst, [1986]. And I also have one in Japanese, "RAGGED DICK" by Alger.

I understand Jack Bales has a new book out. We will be hearing more about it in the Newsboy, no doubt.

Don't forget the 9-1st. edition volumes of the Sun Series. These were the work of Bob Sawyer PF-455...

Also the 3 miniature first editions by Westgard [1987]. These are 3"x 2½"- "THE YOUNG PATRIOTS", "ANNIE GRAHAM" and "ROBERT LAWSON".

Also I just received "THE LOST TALES OF HORATIO ALGER" compiled by GARY Scharnhorst, Acadia Press [1989].

The best advise I can give to both old and new collectors is to attend the Horatio Alger Conventions. Our own dealers have books to sell. And there are new dealers, too. Also during the auctions held at each convention you may find some rare ones.

If there are any inaccuracies in this article it is because I was born December 29, 1909 -- and that is a long time for remembering!

Good reading and good collecting to you-all, in 1990.
Evelyn M. Grebel
PF-318



EVELYN GREBEL has been a member of the Alger Society since 1971, served as a director and was Vice-President 1974-1975. Before retirement Evelyn was supervisor of Children's Activities at the Grand Rapids, MI Public Museum.

Hating people is like burning down your own house to get rid of a rat.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Dear Mr. Hartmann:

Please find enclosed a check in the amount of twenty dollars [\$20] to cover membership in the Horatio Alger Society and a copy of the Alger bibliography you have available. I would also like to receive a membership list and the listing of Alger titles.

I have been collecting Alger's books for a short time but have managed to pickup two dozen of his titles. To date, my Alger-hunting has been pretty hit and miss and I don't really know what I'm looking for. I'm hoping that your Society and its members will give me some insight into the various Alger editions which seem to be about. They do vary so in quality and many of the volumes seem to be undated.

I appreciate the "Newsboy" samples you sent along. The mention of Algers with dust covers was especially timely as I happened upon one only the week after reading Bill Russell's article on the topic in the May-June 1989 issue. I look forward to future editions of the publication.

Yours truly,

Judy Roobial-Mohr, Ph.D.
PF-849

ALGER POTPOURRI

Fellow Algerites [Algerarians? Algeronianites?]. . . Well, you know who you are. . . Anyway, last evening George Owens called [it's always good to hear from George]. "Carl says the Newsboy will be pretty thin this time and we need some Alger stuff to fill up the Issue. Was wondering if you had anything that you could send to Carl." I agreed to supply something. . . so, if you find this contribution disagreeable blame George. It was his idea!

ERRATA SLIP

A while back, I remember reading something in Newsboy about a member acquiring a CANAL BOY TO PRESIDENT [With errata slip]. It is believed that this one is the first state of the first edition of that title. Anyway, the article went on to say that the acquisition was the fifth or sixth one to belong to a H.A.S. member. Well, I don't remember anyone asking me if I had one and I wondered how such statistics were compiled by the writer. I remember the freak accident by which I found my copy several years earlier and my satisfaction of the question: Just what does this famous "errata slip" look like? For you folks who wonder same as I did, I'm sending a xerox of the slip along to Carl with this.

Besides being an Alger collector, I've collected stamps and 19th century postmarks [machine made] for many years. I had been corresponding with a book dealer and author, Nelson Bond, for some time and noticed that he had a philatelic book I was interested in. I called Nelson to ask about the book. In the conversation he asked what other book interests I had. Naturally, I told him about my "Alger collection." "Well, I don't see many of them and didn't know that anyone wanted Algers. I had one, a first edition with errata slip, on my last list for \$75.00 but it did not sell".

A CANAL BOY TO PRESIDENT. Nelson?

"Yes, I believe it was. It was a real nice copy. Looks like new. You can have it for \$50.00 if you want it."

To save space here, I won't tell you what I instructed Nelson to do with his Alger book. It is a real beauty and now I know just what the errata slip looks like. . . and so do you. It is printed on blue paper and is bound into the book.

THE YOUNG MINER

Several years ago, Jack Bales, knowing I'm a sucker for any Alger that I don't have in my collection, offered me a fine copy of the Book Club of California's, THE YOUNG MINER, published in 1965, for \$85.00. Jack had recently taken his new position as librarian at Mart Washington College and needed rent or eating money and I needed the book. It's a bit larger than the regular Algers and measures 10"x7"x1". Most striking is the profuse collection of illustrations in this edition.



Bob Williman receives the Luck & Pluck Award in 1982 from then President Gene Hafner.

[Left to right Gene, Bob.]

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Most striking is the profuse collection of illustrations in this edition. My pal, Ralph Gardner, is credited for supplying the frontispiece from the first edition as well as for other contributions that made this edition possible. Other woodcuts and engravings, several of them double-page sized, had been waiting in a cache at the printers for ten years "for just such a fortuitous occasion as only Horatio Alger could supply". Many were from the French Magazine, Le Tour Du Monde, of 1862. Others were from the MINER'S OWN BOOK, of 1858, Le Vie Souterraine, a la California, and Sketches of life in the Golden State. The illustrations alone are worth the \$85.00 I paid Jack. Few artists today have the time to produce such fine quality work, it seems. These are real treasures.

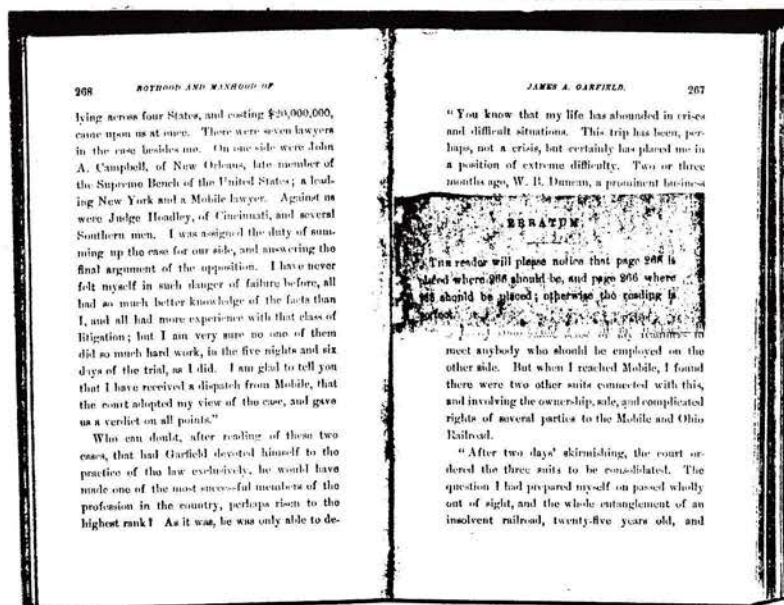
Well, a few years after acquiring Jack's copy, a fellow philatelist, knowing of my Alger interest, sent me a postal card illustrated here. The advertising is printed in red with a gold border. The postal card is Scott's Catalog number UX48a or United Postal Stationery Society Catalog number 566C. This was the first U.S. postal card printed with fluorescent ink and pre-cancelled [note the three cancelling lines], for those of you interested in such technical philatelic trivia. At any rate, it makes a nice bookmark for my California copy of THE YOUNG MINER and gives some of you die-hard Alger collectors something to look for to add to your own collection. Lots of luck! It would be interesting to know if any other members have this postal card.

DAN THE DETECTIVE

I don't believe the fact that Burt published the title DAN THE DETECTIVE is very well known, albeit, by accident. In my collection is a Burt-published book with DAN THE NEWSBOY in the spine. However, the title page says DAN THE DETECTIVE. Several other copies of DAN I have looked at say DAN THE NEWSBOY on the title page and this particular copy, with the ivy and bust of the boy with the rimless cap design, is the only copy that I know about. I contend that the title page of a book states the true and correct title of a book regardless of any other title indications elsewhere. Therefore, my contention is that Burt did, in fact, publish this title. I'll consider, very briefly, other opinions on this particular point of technicality. I'd like others to check their DAN'S to see if there are any other similar copies out there.

Thanking George for the invitation to write for Newsboy as well as the others who do the work to see that H.A.S. stays a viable entity, I'll stop here and enclose a list of Algers I have for sale. Sending my best regards to all of my personal "particular friends".

Bob Williman
PF-569



THIS SIDE OF CARD IS FOR ADDRESS

U.S. POSTAGE

Mr. Charles A. McKeown

16 Carisbrook Drive

Orinda, California



Robert Williman has been a member of the Alger Society since 1978, served as Chairman of the Alger Memorial Stamp Committee and was the "pusher" who finally succeeded in having the stamp produced. Bob was awarded the Luck & Pluck Award in 1982 for his efforts and success with the stamp. He was awarded the President's Award in 1988 for his donation of 1st. day covers of the Alger stamp to members that recruit new members.

KEN BUTLER

RALPH REMEMBERS KEN
[As told to Jack Bales]

As Ken Butler has been my friend--and I his--since 1960, I may have known him a little longer than most current H.A.S. members.

Our first contact was when he phoned me after reading my serialization [along with accompanying news and feature stories and promotional material] of Alger's Luke Walton that ran over a period of two weeks in the Chicago Daily News. The late Van Allen Bradley--who was then the News' literary editor--had asked me if there was an Alger tale with a Chicago setting. Luke was just what he wanted.

When it appeared, Ken phoned to say he'd be in New York the next week and could we get together? We met for lunch in the Edwardian Room at the Plaza Hotel. Ken asked if I'd be interested in writing an Alger biography, which his Wayside Press would publish. We talked for hours, getting more excited every minute over the book's possibilities.

We were in complete agreement on all points [including the intriguing title: Horatio Alger; or, The American Hero Era]. When parting, Ken said: "We may not get rich on this, but I think we will have a lots of fun!"

As always, Ken was right.

[Note from Jack Bales: Ralph and I have, since 1969, talked about books and publishing, and we have frequently commented on the fact that Ralph's Alger book is obviously a labor of love by his publisher. Note the detailed endpapers, the marvelous photographs on glossy paper, the imprinted binding. Few publishers take as much time with their books as Ken Butler did with this one.]

AN ENTIRE VILLAGE FROM GRASS ROOTS AMERICA

Ken Butler's
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Bob Bennett, Ken Butler, Bea Fortner - Jerry Friedland
standing in back.



Back of Carl Hartmann's head, Ken Butler and Mary Jane Thorp.

Ken Butler, first president of the Alger Society, Co-founder and the spark that ignited us into the organization we are today. Our fondest memories of Ken are as a gracious host at the Mendota Convention - 1965. Fourteen members of the newly organized Society had a conducted tour of the Wayside Press, a banquet provided by Ken at Leonard's Victorian Manor and the presentation of a memento of the occasion - a small metal statue of a Bootblack mounted on a wooden base with an inscription that reads "CHARTER MEMBER - HORATIO ALGER SOCIETY - Mendota, Illinois - 1965". Ken along with Forrest Campbell financed the first years of the Society until we could get on a sound financial basis. We all will remember Ken with love and affection.

Carl Hartmann



Ken Butler with Max Goldberg and Ralph Gardner.
Left to right - Max, Ralph, Ken.

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HORATIO VISITS RIP VAN WINKLE
[Schedule of Events- Tentative]

THURSDAY, MAY 3, 1990

Registration, Hospitality Room- Catskill Motor Inn

7:30 p.m. Cookies, Coffee and Conversation at Bill McCord's home, 207 Spring Street, Catskill.

FRIDAY, May 4, 1990

8:00 a.m. Breakfast Meeting of Directors

9:15 a.m. Business Meeting

2:00 p.m. Book Auction [Including Ken Butler Collection]

6:30 p.m. Dinner - Rare Book Exhibit & Silent Auction.

SATURDAY, May 5, 1990

9:00 a.m. to noon - Book Sale

2:30 p.m. Seminar by Bill Gowen & Brad Chase:
"Aspects of Boy's Book Collecting".

7:00 p.m. Annual Banquet, Bob Sawyer, Chairman
Awards, Elections, Ralph Gardner's Quiz, Song
Fest, Skit & Auction.
[Ann & George Sharrard will conduct the Silent
Auction. Please plan to bring items for the
auction or ship them ahead to Bill McCord.
This is an important source of H.A.S. funds.]

SUNDAY, May 6, 1990

Breakfast & Farewells

ATTENTION OWNERS OF UNUSUAL AND/OR RARE ALGERS.

Please bring a few of your rare copies to the Convention. We plan an exhibit of unusual books, first editions, rare copies for the enjoyment and edification of our members. Many have never seen Timothy Crump's Ward, Bertha's Christmas Vision, Grand'ther Baldwin's Thanksgiving, and so on. Please add to the pleasure and knowledge of your fellow members by participating in this project.

REMEMBER THE CONVENTION AUCTION!!!

MORE FROM RIP VAN WINKLE COUNTRY

The Hudson Valley offers many places of historic interest as well as scenic beauty. You may want to come to Catskill a day early to visit some of them. If you wish to do so, call me at [518] 943-2499 and I will help you plan.

-FDR Home & Library, Hyde park, 40 miles from Catskill

-Vanderbilt Mansion, Hyde Park, 40 miles from Catskill

-Vassar College, Poughkeepsie, 50 miles from Catskill

-U.S. Military Academy West Point, 70 miles from Catskill

-Beekman Arms, Oldest Hotel in America still used as a hotel, Rhinebeck, 24 miles from Catskill

-Newsboy Statue, Great Barrington, MA., 35 miles from Catskill

-Clermont [Robert Livingston Home] 15 miles from Catskill

-Montgomery Place [Janet Livingston Montgomery's home] 20 miles from Catskill

-Site of famous Catskill Mountain house - magnificent views of Hudson Valley once there & en route, 12 miles from Catskill

-"Olana", home of Frederic Church, Hudson Valley School artist, 5 miles from Catskill

-"Cedar Grove", home of Thomas Cole, Church's teacher, in Catskill

-Numerous antique/junk shops, as well as book shops, a list of which will be available upon your arrival.

-Other local points of interest to history buffs.

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NOTES FROM RIP VAN WINKLE'S COUNTRY

H.A.S. members looking for special books are invited to send your special wants to the NEWSBOY so that other members who may have those special titles for sale can bring them to "Horatio Visits Rip Van Winkle" H.A.S. Annual Convention.

Bill McCord is looking for: TOM SLADE IN THE HAUNTED CAVERN
PEEWEE HARRIS TURNS DETECTIVE
PEEWEE HARRIS IN DARKEST AFRICA

Also by Wm. Hazlett Upson: ME & HENRY & THE ARTILLERY
ALEXANDER BOTTS-EARTHWORM TRACTORS
NO REST FOR BOTTS
THE PIANO MOVERS

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BOOK MART

BOOKS FOR SALE

R. E. Williman - Post Office Box 1564 - Bowie, Maryland 20716

Book#	\$	Title	Publisher	Date	Cond	Notes
C0043	5	Jack's Ward	Burt		Fair+	Spine: Gun/Axe
C0045	6	Strong and Steady	Burt		Good+	Spine: Hunter
C0049	4	Bob Burton	Donohue		Fair+	Spine: Sword/pen
C0156	7	Helping Himself	HT Coates		Good+	Spine: Cap/book/ball
C0157	10	Fame and Fortune	HT Coates		Good+	Spine: Shoe shine box
C0160	10	Strong and Steady	Porter/Coates		Good+	Spine: luck/Puck series
C0166	5	Ralph Raymond's Heir	Hurst		Good+	Spine: Newsboy
C0259	10	Helping Himself	Street/Smith		Good+	pb, Alger Series, #7
C0260	10	Bob Burton	Street/Smith		Good+	pb, Alger Series, #24
C0262	12	Slow and Sure	Street/Smith		Good+	pb, Alger Series, #44
C0264	15	Julius the Street Boy	Street/Smith		Good++	pb, Alger Series, #26
C0265	12	Adrift in New York	Street/Smith		Good+	pb, Alger Series, #27
C0268	5	Five Hundred Dollars	Hurst		Good	Cover Running newsboy
C0269	4	Facing the World	Hurst		Good	Cover Running newsboy
C0270	4	Hector's Inheritance	Hurst		Good	Cover Running newsboy
C0271	4	Do and Dare	Hurst		Good	Spine: Newsboy
C0272	3	Sink or Swim	Hurst		Fair	Spine: Newsboy/clock tower
C0401	6	Brave and Bold	Hurst		Good	Miniature ed.
C0402	8	Do and Dare	Hurst		Good+	W/torn dj, miniature ed.
C0403	15	Ben the Luggage Boy	Hurst	1871	Good	Not 1st. but same cover as 1st
C0404	20	Mark the Match Boy	Loring	1869	Good+	Not 1st. but same cover as 1st
C0405	10	Jack's Ward	Loring	1875	Fair	Not 1st. same cov [loose leaves]
C0406	8	Fame and Fortune	Loring		Good-Fair	Spine: Shoe shine box
C0408	10	Rough and Ready	Porter & Coates		Good+	Spine: Shoe shine box
C0409	10	Ragged Dick	Porter & Coates		Good	Spine: Shoe shine box
C0410	10	Mark the Match Boy	Porter & Coates		Good	Spine: Shoe shine box
C0457	3	Bob Burton	Hurst		Fair	Spine: Newsboy
C0519	15	Ralph Raymond's Heir	Lupton		Good	
C0545	8	Struggling Upward & Others Crown		1945	Good++	W/dj
C0546	5	Adrift in New York & World Before Him	Odyssey	1966	Good	pb
C0555	4	Sink or Swim	Donohue		Good+	Alger stamp w/FD Cancel on title pg
C0569	4	Ralph Raymond's Heir	Hurst		Good	Spine: Boy w/kneepatch
C0581	25	From Canal Boy to Pres.	Anderson	1881	Good+	1st. ed, bio of Pres. Garfield
C0582	20	Phil the Fiddler	Loring	1872	Good-Fair	1st. ed, later state
C0583	10	Sink or Swim	Loring	1870	Fair	1st. ed, later state, lacking spine
C0584	25	Julius The Street Boy Out West	Loring	1874	Good+	1st. ed, later state, tight copy
C0585	10	Andy Gordon	Street & Smith		Good++	pd, Alger Series, #4 rare cond.
C0587	25	Mark The Match Boy	Loring	1869	Good	1st. ed, late state, tight copy
C0588	25	Ben The Luggage Boy	Loring	1870	Good	1st. ed, later state
C0590	65	Walter Sherwood's Probation	H.T.Coates	1897	Almost Fine	1st. ed, beautiful copy
C0591	50	Ben Logan's Triumph	Cupples & Leon	1908	Good++	1st. ed, nice, tight copy
C0592	20	Young Captain Jack	Grosset/Dunlap	1901	Good++	Attractive copy
C0593	6	Making His Way	World Syndicate		Good++	W/dj
C0594	7	Making His Way	Goldsmith		Good+	W/dj
C0595	7	Bound to Rise	Goldsmith		Good++	W/dj
C0596	8	Adrift in New York	Goldsmith		Good++	W/dj
C0597	5	Risen From the Ranks	Whitman		Almost Fine	W/dj
C0598	5	Shifting for Himself	Whitman		Almost Fine	W/dj
C0599	40	Paul the Peddler	Allen Stud/Schimate	1871	Good+	1st apperance of title in bound vol
C0600	40	Rough and Ready	Allen Stud/Schlimate	1869	Good+	1st apperance of title in bound vol

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FOR SALE CONT'D
R. E. Williman

Book#	\$	Title	Publisher	Date	Cond	Notes
C0602	4	Silas Snobden's Office Boy	Doubleday	1973	Good	1st. ed, W/dj
C0603	10	Telegraph Boy	Porter & Coates	1879	Good+	Early ed, tight copy
C0604	8	Sam's Chance	Porter & Coates	1876	Good	Early ed.
C0606	50	Rolling Stone, A	Thompson & Thomas	1902	Good	1st. ed, later state, tight copy
C0607	15	Joe's Luck	Burt [Deluxe]	1887	Good++	Early ed, tight copy
C0608	20	Tom the Bootblack	Burt [Deluxe]	1889	Good++	Early ed, tight copy
C0609	15	Slow and Sure	Thompson & Thomas	1902	Fair	
C0611	20	Mark the Match Boy	Loring	1869	Fair	1st ed, later state
C0612	6	Ragged Dick	Winston [Library ed]	1895	Good-Fair	
C0613	8	Herbert Carter's Legacy	H.T. Coates	1875	Good++	Cover: winged wheel nice copy
C0624	6	Strive and Succeed	Media	1972	Fine	W/dj, 1972 reprint
C0625	6	In a New World	Media	1972	Fine	W/dj, 1972 reprint

HORATIO'S BIRTHDAY IN FLORIDA
OR, A MEETING OF THE CRS CLUB
by Tracy Catledge, PF-507

The idea of this birthday party was conceived at the convention in 1989 by Bill McCord, Bob Sawyer and yours truly. It was felt by two-thirds of this trio that if we didn't remind McCord in January that he was doing the convention in May, he would no doubt forget it and when we arrived in the Catskills in May, we would not find a convention.

It is always nice to be pleasantly surprised. Bill arrived in Florida for the party and the convention is absolutely a go.

Bob Sawyer arrived at my house on thursday, the eleventh about 3:30 p.m. He immediately shared with me the extreme difficulty he had encountered in finding my place. It required recalling his Eagle Scout training in Compass and Map Reading. He felt that without this training, it would not be possible to get to my house

We visited over a cup of coffee and tried to find Bill via the phone. We learned from his wife that he was in Florida visiting his sister. We got together with Bill later in the evening. Bob and I then spent some time looking at books.

My wife, Carolyn, arrived home from work and we proceeded to go to dinner. After dinner, Bob and I got back to looking at more books and exchanging book collecting stories.

Friday morning, Bob and I drove to Kissimmee to pickup Bill. We then proceeded to Sanford to have lunch with Ann and George Sharrard. We met them at the Touchton Drug Store in the historical section of downtown Sanford. We had an enjoyable lunch in the restaurant of the drug store.

Following lunch, we proceeded to Mt. Dora to see Renningers Antique Flea Market. Much to our surprise, the market was not open on Fridays. Some of the outside Dealers were open and we visited them. George found two Algers and I found a copy of Skinny McCord. We then drove on to Mt. Dora and visited several antique shops there. The hunt was enjoyable and I found some Scout Memorabilia.

On the return to Sanford, we visited an auction barn and another antique shop. At the Holiday Inn in Sanford, we found Wynone and Gene Hafner. If you know Gene, he is never without a collectible book of some kind. He dug a box out of his sable and permitted us to examine the contents. He had a few nice Algers and Altshelers. We then discussed dinner and where we were going to enjoy it. I went home and picked up Carolyn and we met at the restaurant.

Gene informed me that my directions to the restaurant were in the wrong hand. Gene exercised his skill in Pluck and Luck and followed his nose to the restaurant. Having to overcome such adversity did not damage his appetite. We all enjoyed a hardy, healthy and too-many calories meal with melt in your mouth type desserts.

Following dinner, we reconvened at my house to look at books, visit and look at books. I tried to get Gene interested in collecting Scouting.

I pointed Gene in the direction of the motel with my right hand. The experience Wynone and the Sharrards shared with him on the return to the motel will no doubt be everlasting and I'll let them share this with you at some later date [About lost].

After the Hafners and the Sharrards departed, Bob went with me to take Bill back to Kissimmee. On the way down we chatted about the coming "Horatio in the Catskills" Convention this May. I also pointed out directions to Miami to Bob as we motored along.

Bill and Bob left the party Friday night and missed the singing and the ice cream birthday cake. However, I have to share with you that on Saturday morning I told Bob where to turn right and pointed to the spot with my left hand. He turned left. As I type this report, I'm not sure if Bob is still in Seminole County or in Miami. I'm sure he eventually made it to Miami.

After Bob departed, I joined the Hafners and Sharrards and we again motored across rural Florida to Renningers Antique Flea Market in Mt. Dora. We wished each other good luck and went our own ways. I ran across Gene several hours later and he had just stopped buying dollar bills for \$20.00 each. That's what I get for being SLOW! Gene picked up some 19th. century money to go in his Grandfather's cash register that he proudly displays in his home.

I don't remember what all Ann and George found except a four foot trumpet for an old record player. I feel they stopped by again on the way home Sunday and looked for other items for George's Antique Shop in Michigan. I found a fine copy of Tom Swift and his Magnetic Silencer and some Boy Scout fiction titles. I think everyone was pleased with their finds. The weather was sunny, windy and a high of 58 for the day. We took a couple of group photos to remember the occasion and we'll share these with you in a later issue of the Newsboy. Tenderly we loaded our finds in the car and discussed lunch. We then continued to Mt. Dora and the Lakeside Inn.

The Lakeside Inn has served as the center piece for over a century as one of Central Florida's most charming areas. Over the years the lakeside Inn continued to be a favorite winter respite for travelers, many of them writers, university presidents and former politicians. It was beautiful but the dining room seating was poor. We waited an hour, and enjoyed our lunch in 1920 splendor.

I must tell you that we may not have had such an enjoyable lunch if we had not had George along. I could not find the Inn and it was his keen eye that discovered it. On the way back to Sanford, Gene realized that he had left his new cap with his gold ruptured duck pin at the Inn. We returned to the Inn and Gene recovered his prized cap and pin. We then proceeded to Sanford and made one stop at a book shop only to find it was closed. Our dream of prized Algers was not to be today. We continued our scenic drive through the Florida rural winter countryside to Sanford and the motel.

At the motel, we discussed where we would have dinner and when. I then left and returned on time with my wife and we proceeded to dinner. The restaurant had "black-eyed" peas on the menu and I was shocked that none of our party ordered them. However, I believe everyone enjoyed their meal because I was the only one who did not eat the whole thing.

After dinner we reconvened again at my house for a modest birthday party to remember Horatio Alger, Jr. We visited for a short while, lit the candle on the birthday cake, sang Happy Birthday and blew out the candle together. Everyone enjoyed the ice cream cake and a good cup of coffee to restore the loss in body heat. As we enjoyed our coffee sitting around the table, we talked about Horatio's Birthday in Florida in 1991. You'all come!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

COLLECTING ALGER IN ONTARIO, CANADA

by
Ivan McClymont

Like many Alger collectors, I was exposed to Alger books at a very young age. Our farm home was a double house with my Grandmother living in one side and my parents, myself and siblings in the other side. My Grandmother had a large bookcase that contained 15 or 20 Algers. They along with a large book of Bible stories were read to me as far back as I can remember. Grandma considered Alger as suitable books to be read on Sundays while others like Tom Sawyer were only for week days. After reading that Tom hated Sunday School she wasn't so sure it was suitable for young minds on any day.

Thornton Burgess' "PADDY THE BEAVER" was the book that started me reading on my own and after that I went through the Algers. After running out of Alger my Father suggested a G. A. Henty book and that started me on a life long love affair with Henty. I continued to read and enjoy Henty and have a collection of over nine hundred editions but that is another story.

Our local Sunday School gave out prizes for attendance and I received a couple of the little 19¢ Algers that were sold in the 30's.

Unfortunately I did not follow up on collecting Alger at that time. I became involved in organizations, sports and working toward establishing a farm business. First by share cropping and later buying a 115 acre farm. In 1964 I purchased the home farm which with an additional 50 acres constitutes the present farm of 265 acres. In the mid seventies, we phased out the livestock operation and turned more to cash crops. This left my wife Marg and myself time and some spare cash to get serious about our book collecting and we began to collect a few Algers. Collecting Algers has never been a priority with either of us but we have very much enjoyed our association with the Alger Society and all the fine people we have met at the conventions.

I first heard of the Alger Society through the Henty Society that I had joined in 1978. Jack Bales had an article in the Fall issue of the Henty Society Bulletin in 1983 on Alger that got us interested and that winter we joined the Alger Society. At that time we had about 75 titles, all reprints. We now have 109 titles in old editions and three in recent editions as well as books on Alger by Ralph Gardner, Bob Bennett, Edwin Hoyt, Brad Chase, Bob Sawyer, Jim Thorp and the infamous one by Herbert Mayes.

Despite the number of collectors in the U. S. we have had more luck in finding Algers there than here in Ontario. I had failed to find a first edition until we attended our first convention in Virginia in 1987. Since I blow most of my book budget on Henty I have to be satisfied with Alger reprints.

It is interesting to speculate on the reason for the lack of quality Alger here in Ont. Part of the answer would be

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the small population during the early years of Alger's writing. Even as late as 1900 there was only about 5 million people in all of Canada, [one third of them French] compared to about 100 million in the U.S. By comparison today we have approximately one tenth the population of the U.S.

With the friendly relations enjoyed by our two countries today it may be difficult for Society members to realize that there was a definite anti U.S. feeling in Canada throughout most of the last century. Our early English speaking settlers were United Empire Loyalists who had lost everything during the American revolution and became our first political refugees. Their bitterness was reinforced by the U.S. invasion of 1812 while Great Britain was occupied with Napoleon in Europe. Only after the defeat of France was Britain able to extend sufficient aid to maintain our borders and prevent annexation to the States. Raids along the border were organized by the Hunters Lodges in the U.S. during the 1830's and then came the Fenian raids in the 1860's. Fortunately the U.S. Government finally cracked down on these groups and our border became the peaceful one we enjoy today.

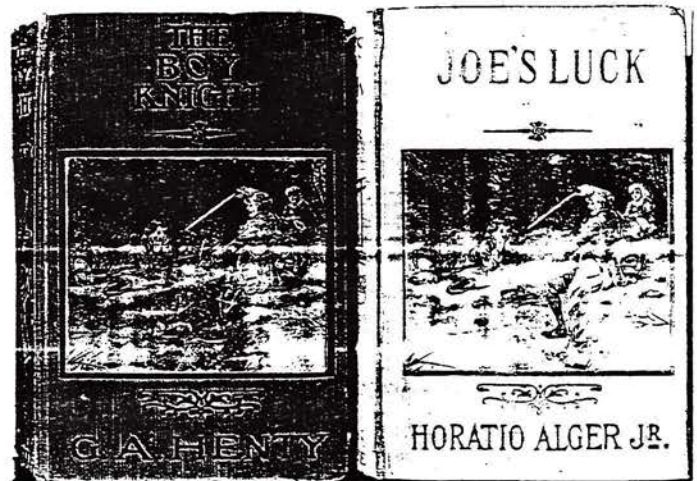
As you can see by the above comments it is hard for a Henty enthusiast to keep away from history but this may help explain why in Ontario British writers were favoured over U.S. ones during Alger's life.

Our Alger collection is a "mish-mash" of Hurst, Donohue, Burt, Coates, Winston, McKay, Grosset and Dunlap, Merston, Consolidated, Anderson, New York and Shaw. As we collect only by title we try to obtain as much variety as possible in publishers and editions. We have a Donohue "JOE'S LUCK", with an illustration on the front cover from Henty's "WITH WOLF IN CANADA". Donohue never did worry about the picture on the cover having to do with the story.

Other U.S. Juvenile writers I collect are Frank V. Webster [was he a real person or a Stratemeyer connection?], "RALPH ON THE RAILWAY" series and the "DAVE DAWSON" series. Other British boys' books that I collect are Kingston, Ballantyne, Fenn, Strang, Stables, Brereton, Haynes and Westerman.

While we have plenty of good Canadian writers of this century they certainly were scarce in the nineteenth. We have many adult books in our library by Canadians but only Lucy Maud Montgomery's among our juveniles.

Both Marg and myself have greatly enjoyed our association with the Alger Society and especially the two conventions we have attended. In 1987 the one in Virginia hosted by George and Alice Owens and the one in Ohio in 1989 with Will and Nell Wright and family. I would strongly recommend to all members that you try to attend this year's in New York if at all possible. Unfortunately we have a prior commitment and will be unable to attend. Best wishes to all Alger friends and may you find that elusive title that you have been searching for.



Tracy Catledge who hopes to be our next president with Ken Butler our first president.

People who fly into a rage always make a bad landing.

Most people who sing their own praises can't carry a tune.

If 'All the world's a stage' as Shakespeare says, some of us have trouble learning our parts.

BOOK MART

BOOKS FOR SALE

Ivan McClymont
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All prices in Canadian Funds Subtract 20% off listed price if paying in U.S. Funds. Postage extra. Please do not send money until order is confirmed.

KEY: P- pictorial cover; D- decorated; E- embossed; DJ-dust jacket; PB- paper back.

Condition: VG-very good; G- good; F- fair.

NO.	Author	Title	Pub.	Cover	Cond.	Price
1.	Adams	The Runaway Airship	G & D	D	G	\$ 4.
2.	Allen	Samantha at Coney Island	C. Herald	P	VG	4.
3.	Appleton	Tom Swift and His Wireless Message	G & D	P	G	3.
4.	"	Don Sturdy in the Land of Giants	G & D		F	2.
5.	Bell	The Sacred Scimeter	Goldsmith	D	G	3.
6.	Bonehill	The young Hunters in Puerto Rico	Donohue	P	VG	4.
7.	"	The Young Oarsmen of Lake View	"	D;DJ	VG	4.
8.	Braden	The Auto Boys	Saalfeld	P	F	2.
9.	Castleman	Frank on a Gunboat	Winston	P	G	4.
10.	Chapman	Tom Fairfield's Hunting Trip	C & L	P	G	2.
11.	Cobb	Battling the Clouds	Saalfeld	P	F	2.
12.	Colton	Frank Armstrong Drop Kicker	Burt	P	G	4.
13.	Dean	Daring Wings	Goldsmith	DJ	G	2.
14.	Dixon	Lone Eagle of the Border	G & D	D	G	4.
15.	Durham	The Submarine Boys	Saalfeld	P	G	4.
16.	Durston	The Boy Scouts Afloat	"	P;DJ	VG	4.
17.	"	The Boy Scout Aviators	"	P	G	2.
18.	Ellis	Alden Among The Indians	Winston	P	VG	5.
19.	"	Cowmen and Rustlers	Cassell	P	G	3.
20.	"	Ned on the River	"	P	VG	10.
21.	"	The Three Arrows	Winston	P	VG	4.
22.	"	The Round Up	"	P;DJ	VG	5.
23.	"	Through Forest & Fire	Nelson		G	2.
24.	Fitzhugh	Roy Blakeley on the Mohawk Trail	G & D	DJ	VG	5.
25.	Hancock	The Young Engineers In Arizona	Saalfeld	P	VG	3.
26.	Heyliger	The Losers End	Goldsmith		G	2.
27.	Judd	The Young Treasures Hunters	Cassell	P	G	4.
28.	Langworthy	The Bird Boys	Donohue	P	F	4.
29.	McAlister	A Viking of the Sky	Saalfeld		VG	2.
30.	Patchin	The Battleship Boys In Foreign Service	"	P;DJ	VG	4.

NO.	Author	Title	Pub.	Cover	Cond.	Price
31.	Patchin	The Pony Rider Boys In The Grand Canyon	Saalfeld	P	F	\$ 1.
32.	Rockwood	Bomba The Jungle Boy In The Swamp of Death	C & L	P	G	3.
33.	"	The Speedwell Boys	"	P	VG	4.
34.	Samson	Teenage Aviation	G & D		G	4.
35.	Sherman	Strike him out	Goldsmith		G	2.
36.	Snell	The Shadow Passes	Rully & Lee	DJ	VG	4.
37.	Webster	The Boy of the Wireless	C & L	P	G	3.
38.	Young	The Motor Boys Overland	"	P	VG	5.

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BOOKS BY HORATIO ALGER FOR SALE

Ivan McClymont

NO.	Title	Pub.	Cover	Cond.	Price
1.	Ben, The Luggage Boy	Winston	P	VG	\$ 5.
2.	Ben's Nugget	"	P	G	3.
3.	Bob Burton	N.Y.Book	P	VG	4.
4.	Brave and Bold	Hurst	P	F	4.
5.	Chester Rand	Merston	P	G	5.
6.	A Cousin's Conspiracy	Hurst	P	F	3.
7.	" " "	Donohue	D	G	3.
8.	Erie Train Boy	Hurst	P	VG	5.
9.	Frank Fowler, The Cash Boy	Burt	E	F	2.
10.	From Farm Boy To Senator	Caldwell	P	G	20.
11.	Hector's Inheritance	Hurst	P	G	4.
12.	Helping Himself	Winston	P	VG	8.
13.	In A New World	Hurst	P	F	4.
14.	Jack's Ward	Hurst	P	F	3.
15.	Joe's Luck	Goldsmith	E	G	4.
16.	" "	Donohue	D	F	2.
17.	Paul Prescott's Charge	Hurst	P	G	4.
18.	" " "	Donohue	P;DJ	G	5.
19.	Sam's Chance	Superior	P	VG	4.
20.	The Tin Box	N.Y.Book	P	G	4.
21.	Tom The Bootblack	Hurst	P	F	2.
22.	Try and Trust 1909	N.Y.Book	P	G	3.
23.	Walter Sherwood's Probation	Donohue	P	VG	4.
24.	" " "	"	P	F	2.
25.	The Western Boy	PB Canyon	P	VG	3.

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"It's a good thing we don't get all the government we pay for."

Will Rogers

