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# Just For Openers

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Because there was a death in my family, this edition is late.

There are not enough New Discoveries this year. We will list them next Oct.

Ed Kaye has set Nov. 3 as the deadline for the Jan. 1991 JFO NEW ADDITIONS (UNLISTED)

This Edition contains all of the Pictures and Stories that members sent to me in the past.

The renewal card for next year is in this envelope. If you do not wish to renew, notify me. PLEASE SEND IT IN TODAY TO AVOID PROBLEMS WITH MAILING AND PRINTING COSTS.

Please send in your reservations for the next Convention so John can make plans for how many people will attend. ROGER & JANICE JARRELL will cohost the next Convention.

The new members that have joined the JFO since the last issue are: TONY WESTPHALEN; ROGER A. BURKE; RICHARD H. DANE; FRED H. MOSRIE; CHARLIE REYNOLDS; OTTO F. WAHL:

I want to thank all of you who have brought in new members to the JFO. It is this kind of GOODWILL that keeps our group alive. ( 1990 new members - 38 )

MY HUMBLEST APOLOGIES TO LEON BEEBE FOR PASSING ON THE WRONG INFORMATION ABOUT HIS DEATH.

Dear Art,

As Mark Twain said "The report of my demise is premature."If you get calls from any of my friends, you can report that at this moment I am holding my own. There is still no doubt that it will get me, but the experimental Chemo routine I am on has -for now-stopped the growth. For that I am thankful.

I gave all my trade stock to Brad for the Auction. I did't hold back, even my rarest went. I think I've got 28 different F-2's, and would buy any that are offered to me or that come up in a show. I could not bear to break them up, and I could not let them all go.

I can't give my collection away, and there is no well-founded museum to give them to anyway. I believe that all of us in the hobby are failing in one important area. We do not have an established museum that a collector could leave all or a special part of his collection to. ABA is trying hard- but the money isn't there. Any collector who spends \$1,000 in air & hotel expenses to buy \$4,000 worth of collectables, can afford \$100 or more a year to establish a real Museum. All the clubs, including the JFO, should address this issue and get moving. At the moment that means supporting the ABA effort. Many of us have pieces that money won't buy, but would cheerfully be left to a thriving museum.

Best wishes and happy collecting,

LEON BEEBE

### ED KAYE SEZ

BRIAN CARLSON: Your E type Schmidt's City Club is not an E-27-UL. It is an E-4-81. The I-20-UL is an I-19-19. Also we do not list imports such as your Calgary.

BRIAN MORIN: The B-14-120 & B-14-81 listed on page 16 of the Handbook are for Cremo from the Grace Brew. of Santa Rosa, Ca.

Any questions on your openers/corkscrews? Send a readable copy and a 25¢ stamp for a personal replly. I will include theanswers in afuture JFO so all of you can share it.

### OPENER COLLECTOR OF THE MONTH

### JOHN GOFF

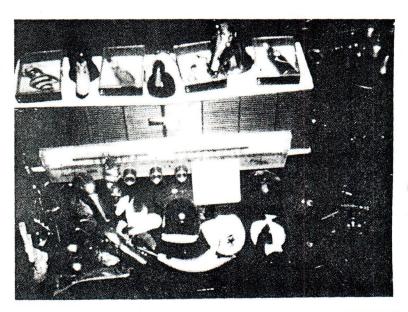
I started collecting in 1969 when I couldn't find an opener when I needed one. So I went all through the house, garage, and tackle box looking for openers. I then hung them in one place on the wall. They looked so interesting, I started looking for all and any types I could find.

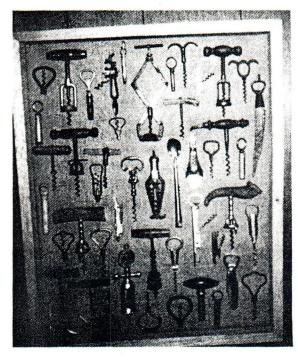
My collection is not restricted to beer openers but includes: brass, figurals, kitchen and any unusual openers or corkscrews that I can find. My wife, Jay, also has miniature openers that she wears as a necklace.

A good portion of my collection has been given to me by friends and relatives who have sent them to me from Rhode Island to California, and Washington.

I have attended the JFO Convention in St. Louis, Indianapolis, Denver, and Chicago. I will continue to attend them when my schedule permits.

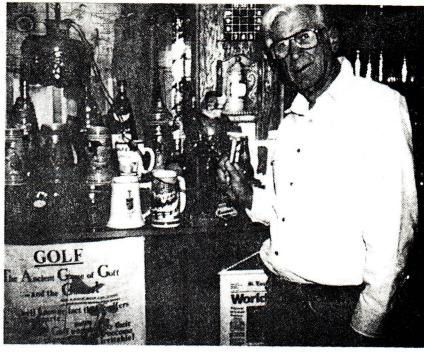


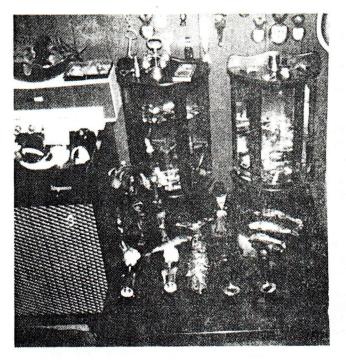




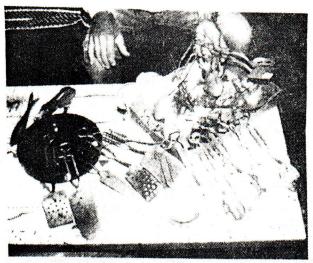


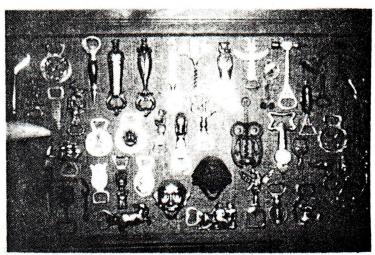












### OPENER TRIVIA #20 by Bill McKienzie

Braumeister Bills

Review Braumeister

EER THAT OLO TIME FLAVOR

This issue of OPENER TRIVIA features the openers that were sent in for this year's "SHOW AND TELL". Without the contributions of the following people this endeavor could not have been a success:

GARY DEACHMAN (No. Woodstock, NH)
JACK FORD (Oakland, CA)
OLLIE HIBBELER (Lake Ozark, MO)
MIKE KIMMONS (Shawnee Misson, KS)
HAROLD KOGUT (St. Petersburg, FL)

CARL REES (Pocatello, ID)
ROLLA ROSS (Ft. Pierce, FL)
JOHN STANLEY (Durham, NC)
VERN VOLLRATH(Janesville, WI)

My personal thanks to each of you!!!

### ABOUT THE OPENERS

- (1) (2) Carl Rees picked up all these openers while he was on vacation this summer. He found most of them
  (3) (4) in Reno, Nevada and Northern California. While on vaction he also visited a few microbreweries.
  (5) (1) He says that after tasting several different beers he found the quality varied greatly some very good, others hardly palatable. From the looks of these finds and his trip itinerary it sounds like Carl had a great vacation.
- These outstanding openers were all found by Vern Vollrath. He found the opener (8) a couple of months ago at the flea market. The reverse side of this knife reads: "Lifestaff The Long Storage Beer". About finding it he wrote: "don't know how I could be so lucky as there are so few good openers and so many 'nuts' looking for them". The political opener (24) (25) he found in a machinist chest and opener (6) was given to him by his wife Laverne for Father's Day.
- These are the favorite openers that John Stanley picked up at this year's convention. John wrote that opener 29 is his favorite of the group. "It is in great shape and I am trying to collect openers from Hoster-Columbus".

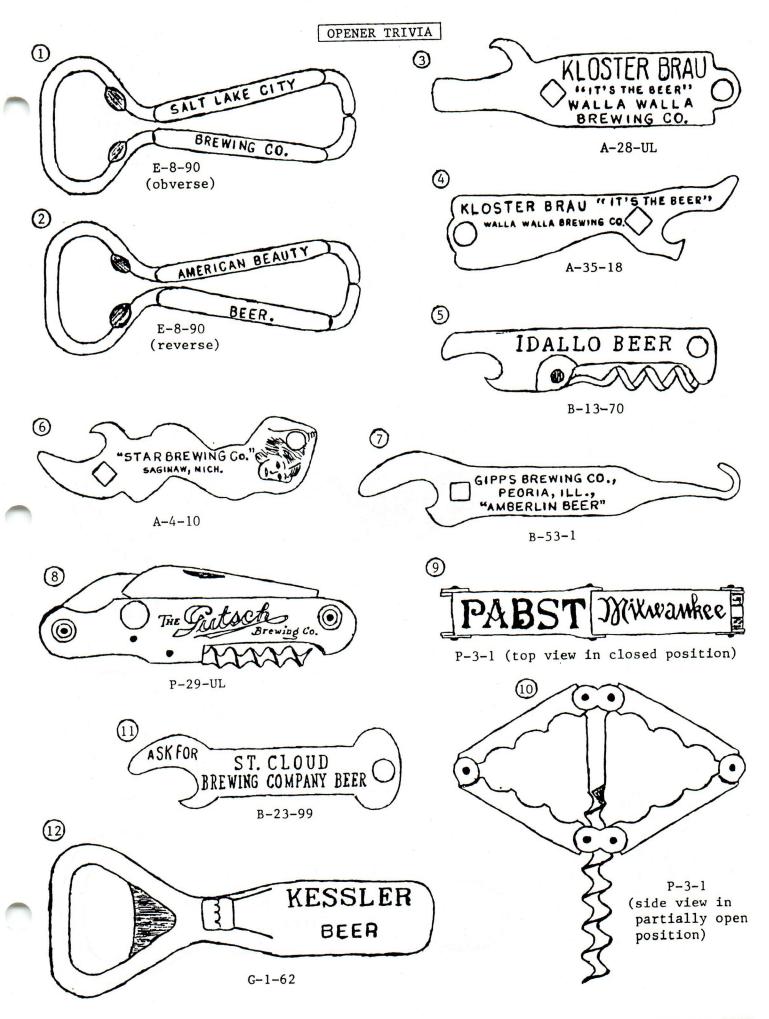
One of John's favorite types is A-23. He collects them with any type of advertising and with the acquisition of openers (22) + (23) he now has all of the A-23 type beer advertising openers listed.

- Ollie Hibbeler wrote: "My favorite 1990 convention opener that I picked up was a HOLLWEG PATENT P-3-1 Pabst Milwaukee. This was a great addition to my Pabst Brewery Co. collection. The opener convention is the only place to get the 'good' ones".
- These outstanding drawings were done by Jack Ford. Illustrated are four different views of one of his favorite openers, a cast iron 5½ oz. frog. I have never seen this piece before, and it is not illustrated in Michael Jordan's book of 3-D cast figural bottle openers. I'm sure it must be RARE. Jack wrote: "If it only advertised 'Tree Frog' beer HA!!!"

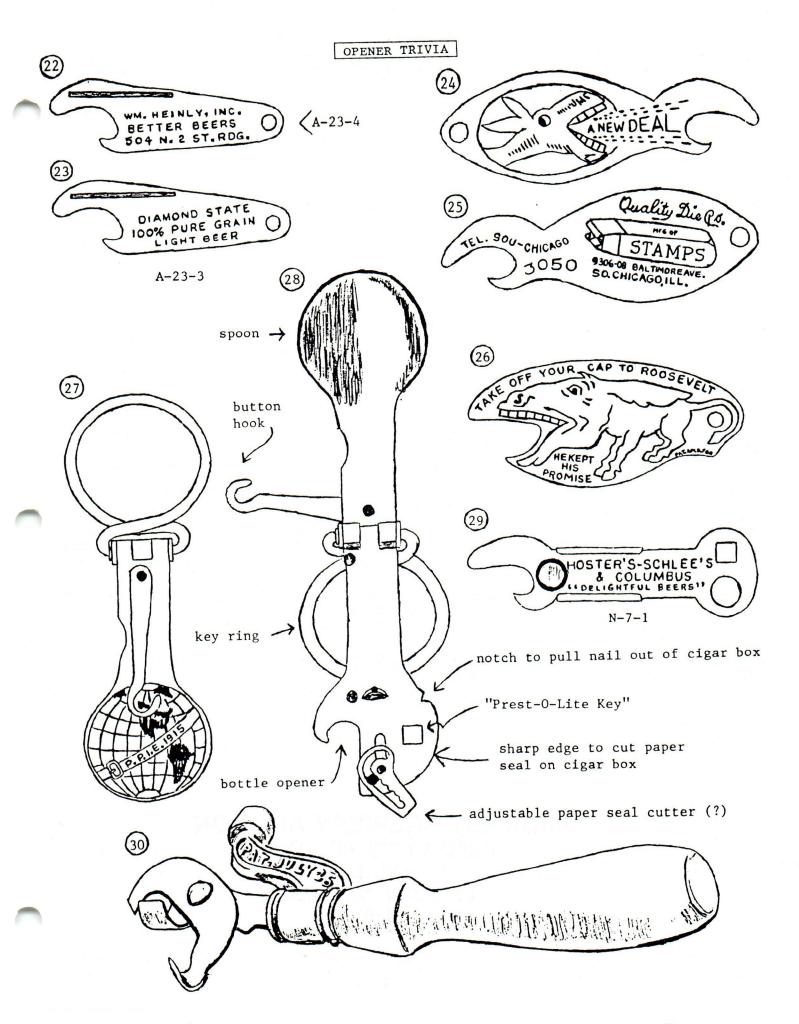
Jack would like to know if opener (17) is from a brewery. It seems that someone once told me that they thought it was, but I can't recall from where. Can anyone help him?

- A nice opener Gary Deachman picked up at this year's convention. At this time only three have been listed.
- An unlisted bell I recently found. I know of only three of these, one in a Walter's Beer collection, one I had found several years ago, and this one.
- 20 21 Rolla Ross sent in this drawing of a cigar box opener he found. Besides a bottle opener it features a sharp edge (dark area) to cut the paper seal on the cigar box and a NOTCH and HAMMER for removing and replacing the nails.
- Mike Kimmons sent in these two unusual pieces from his collection. Opener 26 is a political opener saluting F.D.R. for his stand against prohibition. Compare it with opener 24 25 which salutes Roosevelt and his "new deal". I imagine both of these openers date right around 1933 the year Roosevelt took office and prohibition was repealed.

The other opener Mike sent in is also unusual. It is a souvenir piece from the 1915 Panama Pacific International Exposition (P.P.I.E.). Notice that it has eight different uses. (con't. on pg. 5)







### (OPENER TRIVIA from pg. 7)

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Harold Kogut needs someone to rescue him from his mental torment. He wrote: "This (opener?) is giving me symptoms of 'Brain Strain Syndrome'. I can't figure it out. It doesn't have a sharp edge, only a point that swivels a short distance. It also has a hammer to tap the lid or cover down. One side is stamped 'Columbia AS. CO.'. The other side reads 'PAT. JULY 25, 1893'. This opener as shown is smaller than actual size."

- FINIS -

### CLASSIFIED ADS

ADOPT A DOG For those who could not attend the convention, the Opener is for sale. \$15 for the opener plus \$1 postage. Write to John Stanley.

Corkscrews wanted. Send descriptions and prices to Don Bull. 20 Fairway Drive, Stamford, CT. 06903

Sell or trade Opener Collection for A's or B's in non-beer and cash. Also have Beer Ash Trays and old bottles. Roger Burke 6565 West 8000 No. Tremonton. Ut. 84337

Selling opener collection. Ed Clendening 1908 W. Pearl Ave. Rockford, II. 61103

HELP! New collector still seeks "Saloon" openers. Must have the word "Saloon" on the opener. Seriously interested, please send photocopy or discription with price. Rich Hartzog, POB 4143 Rockford II 61110.

Wanted all types Coca Cola openers. Fred H Mosrie 10805 Georgia Ave., Wheaton, Nd. 20902

WANTED: Figural bottle openers-cast iron, brass, aluminum. Have many to trade or sell. FOR SALE: Reynolds limited edition openers.

Charlie Reynolds 2836 Monroe St, Falls Church, Va. 22042. (703)533-1322

FCR SALE: Official JFO Patch or JFO Pin \$4 each. A-32-3,1986 Convention Opener \$6. All postpaid. Ed Kay 1478 Albatross Rd. Sanibel Island F1.33957

WANTED:B-21-122 ORTLIE3 (Mauch Chunk, Pa) I will trade ver generously for this one.

RESULTS of last auctio :A-20 Bushkill, \$26.50; B 14 Seitz, \$14.40; F-7 Columbia \$21.25 Thinks

Anthony T. Zanghi, 2225 Deer Trail Rd., Coopersburg, Pa. 18036

Have the following openers for trade: C-12-13 Primo(bottle); C-25-1 Kings; E-17-2 Mile High; I-7-58 St.Claire; K-2-UL Regal Beer; & others. Please send trade list. Bill McKienzie 6360 So. Jellison St. Littleton, Co. 80123

Would like to exchange trade lists, mainly interested in southern U.S. openers. John Stanley 605 Windsong Lane, Durham, NC 27713

### I'M DREAMING OF THESE OPENERS

Any Reno Brewery or Sierra Beer openers. Natalie Blakeman Reno Nevada

A-9-21 Amber; A-9-31 Detroit; A-9-33 Rainier.Ed Kaye. (Look at his Patent page on this opener on another page.)

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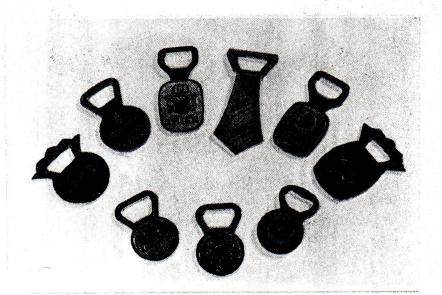
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Die Herstellung von Kleinserien von Nachbildungen historischer Trinkgefäße aus Ton oder Glas — mit oder ohne Zinndeckel — ist eine unserer Spezialitäten. Holen Sie daher auf jeden Fall auch unser Angebot ein — wir sind auf diesem Gebiet besonders leistungsfähig

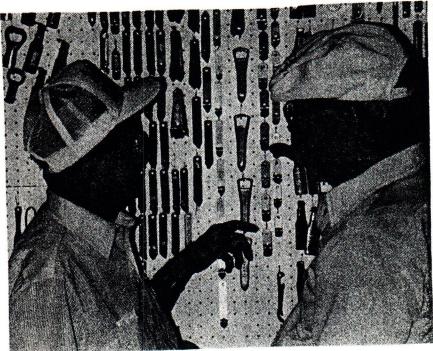
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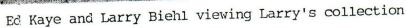
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### DON BULL











Ed and Marge Stahly in front of Bob's collection

### UNITED STATES PATENT OFFICE

JOHN L BONNER, OF NEWARK, NEW 'T' JEY, ASSIGNOR TO J. L. BONNER MANUFAC TURING CO., A COMPLETION OF NEW PERCET.

DESIGN FOR A SOTTLE-OPENER.

40,208.

Specification for Bookgr.

Patental Aug. 18, 1974.

Application find June 25, 1914. Serial No. 847,517. Term of patent 14 pears.

To all whom it may concern:

Its it known that I, John L. Sommer, a citizen of the United States, residing at Newark, in the county of Essex and State of county of Essex and State of the County of the Coun New Jersey, have invented a new, original, and ornamental Design for a Bottle Opener, of which the following is a specification, ref-erence being had to the accompanying draw-ing, forming part thereof.

Ligure 1 is a side view of a bottle opener,

showing my new design, and Fig. 2 is an edge view of the same.

I claim:

The ornamental design for a bottle opener, SE MIGIAL

JOHN L BOMITER

Witnesses:
JOHN T. MORLOOM,
CITARIES MUNTHION.

Copies of this patent may be obtained for five conts each, by addressing the "Connelisiates of Pubent Washington, R. C."

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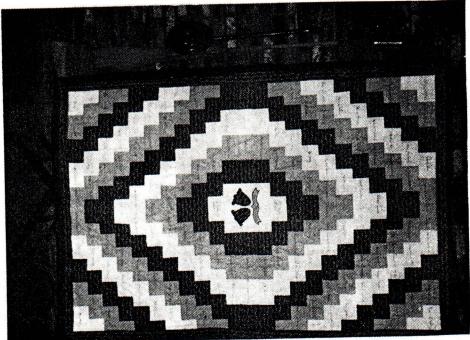
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Patented Aug. 18, 1914

Fig. 1.







These are pictures of the friendship quilt which Jackie Young made with the signatures of many of our friends in JFO, CCCC & ICCA and presented to us at the CCCC-AGM in July.

Peg and I wish to express our heartfelt thanks to all of the JFO members who honored us this way on our 57th Wedding Anniversary.

Next April we will personally thank all of you.

Most Sincerely,
PEG BOB NUGENT

# Shipwrecked boater survives on...

The floatation diet

AN UNAPPETIZING DIET saved the life of a shipwrecked boater who survived almost two 'straight days in shark-infested waters. He claims he stayed afloat by eating lots of beansl

Virgil Fleer's bloated bellyful of gas kept him bobbing on the ocean's surface for 36 harrowing hours un-til he was rescued!

"I can't swim," says Virgil, 34. "If I hadn't eaten. all those beans I would have sunk like a rock.

### Life preserver

The gas in my stomach acted like an internal life preserver.

Virgil had rented a rowboat and was paddling in the calm water around the shore when he strayed too far out and was caught in strong ocean current. In no time, his tiny craft was pulled out into the open sea where it was tossed by treacherous waves.

"I looked up and saw a monster wave approaching me," recalls Virgil.
"It crashed down on the

boat, and the next thing I knew, I was in the cold water."

Despite his frantic kicking and stroking, Virgil felt himself going down.

### Terrible

"All of a sudden, I just went rigid and my body floated up to the surface."

"I couldn't understand why, until I remembered I had been eating baked beans all day and they had given me terrible gas. There was even enough gas in me to support my knapsack, which held several more cans of beans.

# The food he ate saved him from drowning

Over the next few hours, Virgil bobbed in the rough water, hoping he would be rescued before

nightfall. But as time dragged on, he felt himself sinking lower and lower. Figuring he needed to reinflate himself, Virgil took a large can of beans out of his sack, opened it with his pocket can opener and gobbled it up. Soon he was floating freely again.

Then suddenly a new danger appeared.

### Sharks

"I looked out and saw. large dorsal fins cutting through the water's dark surface," he remembers. "Sharks were circling all around. One kept getting closer and closer, and then . it came at me.

"I figured I was through and turned my back to it, because I couldn't bear to see. The fear caused me to let go of some gas in it's direction. I turned and saw it quickly dart away."
Virgil describes the

next day and a half as a gassy watery hell.

.Hour after hour he fought to keep the voracious predator fish at bay by aiming well-timed bursts of stinking bubbles at them and frightening them off. Each release reduced the supply of gas in



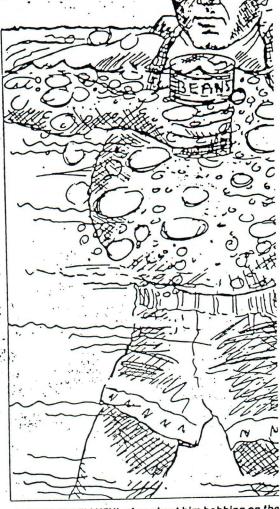
 VIRGIL FLEER was rescued by a fishing boat

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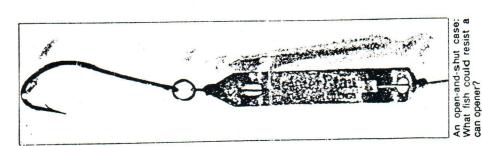
Finally, 36 horrifying hours after his boat capsized, the stinky survivor was rescued by a passing fishing boat and taken back to the Adelaide, Australia harbor.

"It was not a moment

too soon," says Virgil.
"I had eaten all my beans and I was almost out of gas." — BEN SNARK



 VIRGIL'S BELLYFUL of gas kept him bobbing on the oceans surface for 36 hours.



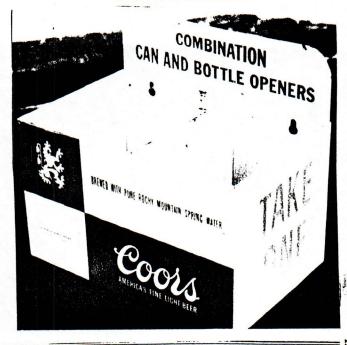
hough Sallie Gordon and a walleye are looking at it from opposite perspectives, both think fishing lures are a thing of beauty. Probably to their disadvantage,

most walleyes don't consider form and function, but Sallie and her husband, Ron, do. They have col-lected more than 200 handmade lures and displayed them in their home as folk art.

"This is the ingenuity of survival. People fished to eat, then to play and then we get to the art," said Sallie, who has collected lures for six years. "I want to show the beauty of the lures and the eccentricity of common sport.

"My father was a fly-fisherman. It's funny the extent to which a human will go to catch a stupid fish," Sallie said. "In the old days, people would spend the winters making lures."

# Jan openers go nign-tecr



# Beer-can opener can be useful tool

nicity. Some 70 percent merican kitchens have one.

DEAR HELOISE:

I buy detergent in the largest size and I've always had trouble opening it. I've stabbed along the dotted line with a knife, broken fingernails and used everything except explosives.

I happened to be with a friend when I was washing clothes and trying to open a new box again. She gave me this hint that saved my sanity. She told me to use a beer-can opener to punch the opening. I tried it and, let me tell you, it was snap. — Bernice Tallow, Fort Myers.



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### VIC KEOWN

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A good can opener—whether jamming or rolling off track. severs lids completely and clea

hand-held electrics are designed to be used by righties.

Most of the manual can openers tested were hand-held models. The best had comfortable, sturdy handles that open and close like a pair of pliers and a

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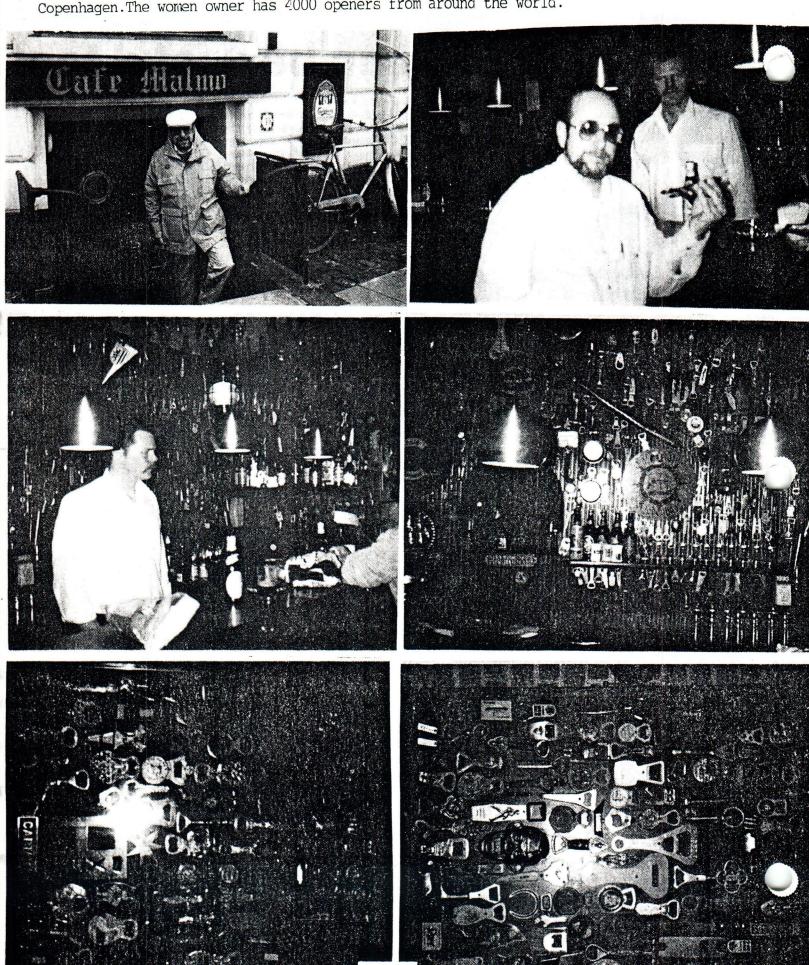
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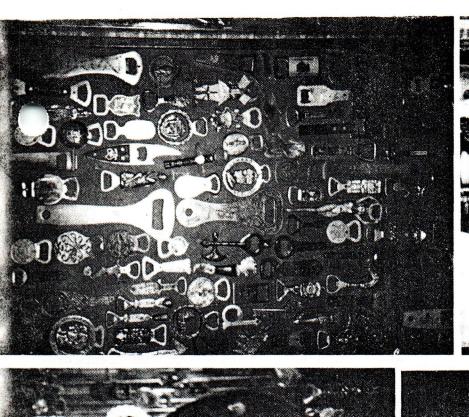
was also easy to work. If you left-handed, be aware that

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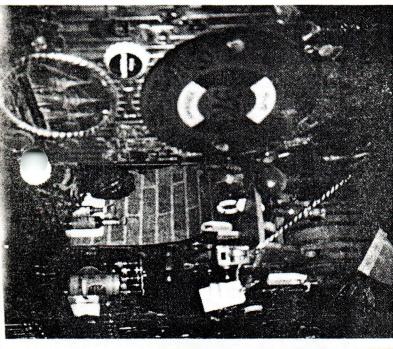
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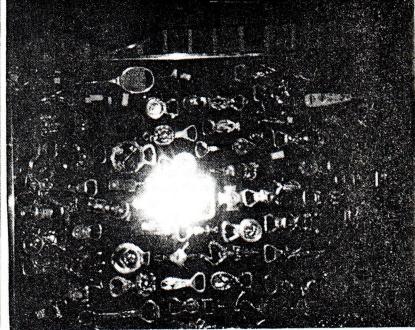
Don Kurtz, of Portage, In, sent me these pictures that he took in a seaman's barin Denmark. The address is: Cafe Malmo, Havnegade 35, 1058 Kobenhavn. It is in the Nyhavn area in Copenhagen. The women owner has 4000 openers from around the world.

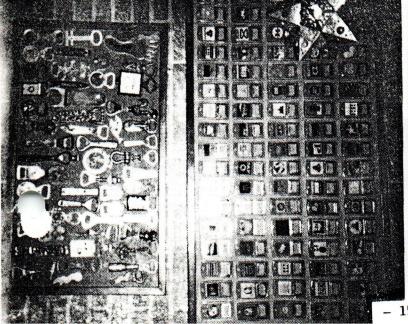














### BUESCHEL'S SALOON SERIES: B.A. STEVENS BILLIARD AND BAR GOODS

Coin Slot Books, 4401 Zephyr Street, Wheat Ridge, Colorado. Cost: \$29.95 plus \$2 shipping.

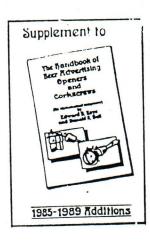
This book contains stories about Saloons and Catalogues from the B.A.Stevens co. It refers to so many subjects (Gambling Machines, Pool Tables, Bowling, Tin Ceilings, Corkers, Champagne Taps) that most collectors would find at least part of this book very interesting. In the first section I found 12 references to Breweries. In the Catalogues I found 16 Ads for: Corkscrews, Can Openers, Cappers, Corkers and Champ. Taps.

I recommend this book to my friends.

Art Santen

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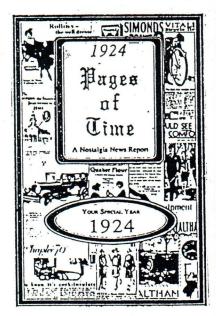
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