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to That Wonderful  
World of Horatio Alger.



Founded 1961 by Forrest Campbell & Kenneth Butler

From the collection of  
Forrest Campbell

*Delmonico's*, a restaurant in New York mentioned often in Alger's Stories. In *Mark The Match Boy* Alger wrote the following:

"The boys met again at one o'clock, and adjourned to a cheap underground restaurant on Nassau Street, where they obtained what seemed to them a luxurious meal of beefsteak, with a potato, a small plate of bread, and a cup of what went by the name of coffee. The steak was not quite up to the same article at *Delmonico's* and there might be some reasonable doubts as to whether the coffee was a genuine article; but as neither of the boys knew the difference, we may quote Ben's familiar phrase, and say, "What's the Odds?"

A typical breakfast in Alger's stories was as follows:

Coffee	5¢
Beefsteak	15¢
A couple of rolls	5¢
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	25¢

Of course these prices were for the lesser eating houses and not *Delmonico's*.



DELMONICO'S. (1890)  
BEAVER AND WILLIAM STREETS, OPPOSITE THE COTTON EXCHANGE.

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MEET YOUR NEW PRESIDENT:

Judson S. Berry was born June 6, 1930 in Sioux Falls, South Dakota. Judson runs a rare book and antique business at 3801 W. 41st. St. in Sioux Falls, in a set of old farm buildings.

Judson has been a fan of Alger for many years. Judson will be the host for the Alger convention in May of 1971. Dates will be set later but keep May open so that you can meet our President.

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MEET YOUR NEW VICE-PRESIDENT:

Bob Bennett was born in Flint, Michigan on Aug. 22, 1932. Educated at Flint Dye High School, 1950; A BS from Central Michigan University, 1957; MA from Michigan State University, 1960; EdS from Central Michigan University, 1967. Bob served two years in the U.S. Navy. He has been teacher, coach and athletic director at Swartz Creek, Mich. H.S. for 6 years, Superintendent of Schools at Johannesburg, Mi. for 3 years and is now in his fifth year at Central Michigan University as Administrator of Off Campus Education.

Bob and his wife Doris have 3 children, Kevin 12, Kim 10, and Barry 5.

Bob and Doris like sports, travel and book collecting. "Enjoy all sports, have been in all states and several foreign countries and have 5,000 books with special interests in Alger (foremost) Optic, Henty, Grey, Curwood, and best-selling novels."

Bob says: "Am honored to be an officer of HAS and hope to serve the Society by promoting Horatio Alger and the aims of the group. Am thrilled at meeting so many great, wonderful people in HAS."

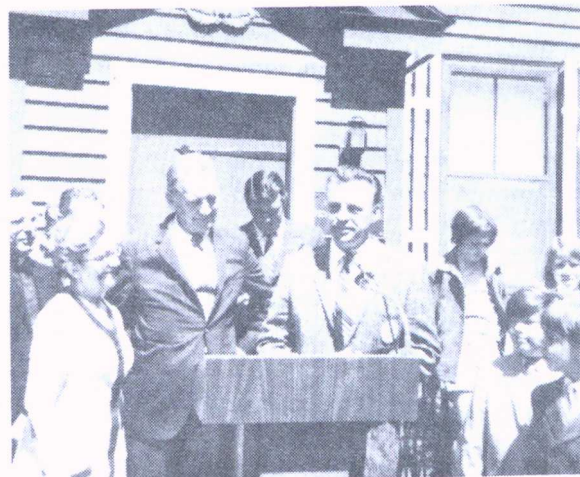
Bob has hit the "100" mark with Algers and is now interested in completing his run of "The Argosy" containing A.D.T. 79. He has 492 through No. 500 and needs 501, 502 and 503 dated July 9, 16, 23, of 1892.

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SIoux FALLS, SOUTH DAKOTA



Revere Mayor Colella unveiling the Alger plaque at 88 beach St. in Revere.



Carl Hartmann presenting to the Joseph Gallants their honorary membership cards in the Horatio Alger Society. The Gallants own the Alger house.



Members of the Horatio Alger Society gathered in front of the Alger Home at Revere.

MAY 1971

BOOK MART

Books are listed free of charge to members. Please send lists to the Editor. All lists should include Title, condition, publisher, and price. 1st. eds. underlined.

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<u>From Canal Boy to President Anderson</u>	VG	\$15.00
<u>Tom Thatcher's Fortune</u>	Burt	G \$10.00
<u>The Store Boy</u>	Burt	G \$ 3.00
<u>Strive and Succeed</u>	Don.	G \$ 3.00
<u>Bound to Rise</u>	Trade	G \$ 2.00
<u>Jed, The Poorhouse Boy</u>	Hurst	F \$ 1.50
<u>The Tin Box</u>	NY	F \$ 1.00
<u>Rupert's Ambition</u>	Win	P \$ 1.00

Add 25¢ to each book for postage and packaging. Above offered by PF-265 Bob Bennett

4511 So. Crawford Rd.  
Mt. Pleasant, Mi.  
48858

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PF-291, Thomas E. McElhone  
695 Newport Gap Pike  
Wilmington, Del. 19884

a new member, offers 52 Algers for sale, the lot for \$60.00. There are 18 duplicates as shown below:

Adrift in New York; A Boy's Fortune; Charlie Codman's Bruise; Erie Train Boy; Facing the World; (2); \$500; Forging Ahead; Frank Fowler (3) Frank's Campaign (2); Joe's Luck; Lester's Luck; Odds Against Him (2); Only an Irish Boy; Phil the Fiddler; Ralph Raymond's Heir Risen From the Ranks (3); Shifting for Himself; Slow and Sure (3); Strive & Succeed; Strong and Steady (5); Tattered Tom; Telegraph Boy; Tom Thatcher's Fortune; Try & Trust; Wait & Hope (2) Walter Sherwood's Probation (2); Young Acrobat; Young Book Agent; Tom the Bootblack (2); Young Salesman.

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OFFERED FROM THE ALGER FOXHOLE--

I. Gurman  
23498 Parklawn  
Oak Park, Michigan 48237

The Errand Boy	Burt	VG	\$ 5.00
Tom Temple's Career	Burt		\$ 5.00
Slow & Sure	P & C		\$ 7.50
Wait & Hope	Burt	E	\$ 3.50
Paul the Peddler	Burt		\$ 2.00
Ralph Raymond's Heir	Don. De.	Mint	\$ 4.00
Brave & Bold	Hurst		\$ 2.50
Young Adventurer (Gold spine)	Hurst		\$ 3.00
Young Salesman	Winston		\$ 1.50
Bound to Rise	World)	As new	
Frank's Campaign	World)	both	\$ 1.00

10 others MISCELLANY: Condition G to VG \$ 5.00 Condition good to VG--if not, return, and I'll eat them!

NOTES FROM MEMBERS....

John M. Lohn, PF-259 would like to see reprints of the hardest to obtain Algers, as Norman Hanson, PF-227 suggested in the Dec. issue of the Newsboy.

John goes on to say: "I think this is a wonderful idea as I for one am looking for the scarce titles, and I have not been able to get them for love nor money. Algers manuscripts are also very scarce so they, too, would be in much demand if they were reprinted."

Does anyone have any suggestions?

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Ed Gross, PF-283, two articles which we found very interesting. One was Success Lives by Art Buchwald which we hope we will be able to reproduce in a future issue. The other was Horatio Alger and the American Dream written by Melvin Munn and printed in FREEDOM TALKS a publication from Dallas, Texas. This also we hope to reproduce in a future issue.

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Louis Dreyer, PF-255 also sent in two articles, HURRAH FOR HORATIO by Tom Dugan and RIDE ON, ALGER by Morrie Ryskind. As soon as we get permission we will reprint these also.

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Gilbert Westgard, PF-024, in order to complete his volume of all Alger's short stories needs the following material. If you have any contact Gil at:

92 North 900 East  
Provo, Utah 84601

HOME CIRCLE or GLEASON'S WEEKLY HOME CIRCLE (published in Boston)

- 1871 Blanch Trevor's Love
- 1872 Paul's Picture
- 1874 The Brown's; or, Boarding in the Country
- 1880 The Frightful Caricature

MARLBOROUGH (Massachusetts) MIRROR (newspaper, Saturdays only)

- Sept. 30, 1874 This Night Let Us Rest (Poem)
- Sept. 30, 1874 Address to Graduates at Reunion of Gates Academy and Marlborough High School

SHENSTONE LAUREL (Marlborough, Mass. newspaper)

- Oct. 18, 1860 A report from Dublin Ire.
- June 20, 1861 My Visit to Sorrento
- July 18, 1861 Who Will Miss Me? (Poem signed "A")

SUNNY HOUR

Dec., 1890 The Two Daisys; a Christmas sketch.

NOTES FROM MEMBERS:

PF-096, Hal McCuen, winner of the NEWSBOY award for 1968 was given a signal honor this year. The year book for this year at Clearfork High School in Mansfield, Ohio, has been dedicated to Hal, teacher of the special education class there. Hal is a very popular teacher and received a standing ovation at the awards assembly held May 28th. Our congratulations, Hal, we know you deserve it.

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Charles Bragin, PF-262, is looking for a first edition of Ragged Dick, if not for sale, to borrow. A good friend of his wants to publish a fac-simile reprint, not to sell but to give to clients of his firm--a publishing house--as a Christmas gift. Contact Charles if you are interested.

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PF-237, J.Yale Rubin is presently hospitalized. We hope this issue finds you well and back on the golf links Yale, our prayers are with you.

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Clara Gwynne, PF-094, has added her 21st. title. Although Clara is confined to her home she still manages to pick up a new title now and then.

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In June PF-184, Norman Peterson, sent ten Algers to Augustana College in Rock Island for their "Rare Book" section and eventually he would like them to have about 40 hard covers.

Norman collects advertising pieces in metal and while reading "Only and Irish Boy" ran across the term BUNGTOWN. He reports as follows:

A bungtown was a counterfeit coin generally something similar to a legal English coin, but they always had an odd difference due to the very severe laws governing counterfeiting coins of England. There are many merchanttokens of this period which were advertising pieces, but often (as in 1830-1840) and (1863-1864) there were insufficient real coins so advertising pieces were used in their place. These advertising coins are mentioned in a number of places in Alger stories.

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Alice and Steve Press (PF-164) announce the birth of Sara Michelle on July 13, 1970. During the last year Steve has been busy writing, producing and directing plays for the Williamsport Community College in addition to his teaching duties. Steve created a theater department at Williamsport where he also teaches English. "The Other Side of the Stars", a play which Steve wrote and directed was a huge  
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success and played most of the elementary and high schools in the area. Steve and Alice now move on to a new job at Dutchess Community College in Poughkeepsie, N.Y. We wish you the best of luck, Steve.

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PF-233, Bert Sack is moving. His new address is: 1730 Mulford Ave. Apt. 15B Bronx, N.Y. 10461

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Below is a reproduction of an article written by PF-266, Ralph Brandt, editor of the Bridgeton Evening News. One correction must be mentioned--our new president is Judson Berry, Sioux Falls, S.D. not Steve Press.

Ralph and Mary Brandt added much to the warm and wonderful time we had at Revere.

BRIDGETON EVENING NEWS, FRIDAY, JUNE 26, 19

# City Unveils Plaque At Alger Birthplace

The birthplace of Horatio Alger, Jr., was the scene of a special ceremony recently in Revere, Mass., during the national convention of the Alger Society. City officials participated in the unveiling of a plaque outside the Beech street home where Alger's parents lived during the pastorate of the elder Alger, a Unitarian minister, in Revere.

City Commissioner William DiCarlo, a member of the Alger Society, eulogized the famous author of boys' books and called for a rededication of his philosophy by the boys of America today. Two of DiCarlo's sons were inducted into the Junior Alger Society of America.

George C. Clark, of Pawtucket, R. I., the convention chairman, said a drive would be instituted immediately to secure 1,000 young members of the junior

chapter of the society. He gave the highlights of Alger's career.

National officers named at the convention were: Steve Press, Montoursville, Pa., president; Leo R. Bennett, Mount Pleasant, Mich., vice president; Carl T. Hartman, Lansing, Mich., executive secretary, and Dan Fuller, Kent, Ohio, treasurer.

A \$100 savings bond was presented to a student at Lincoln Junior High in Revere as the annual Horatio Alger, Jr., award for outstanding achievement.

Other delegates in attendance included: Gladys O. Judson, Montague, Mass.; Robert J. Banks, Framingham, Mass.; Ralph A. Brandt, Bridgeton, N.J.; Paul L. House, Indianapolis, Ind.; Leslie G. Langlois, Brookfield, Wis.; Edward G. Levy, Pleasant Hill, New Haven, Conn., and Edward Reynolds, Thorndike, Mass.

The Horatio Alger Society was founded by Forest Campbell, of Kalamazoo, Mich., in 1961 and incorporated in 1965. It has 137 active members.

It is estimated there are 7,000 collectors of Alger books in the United States.



George Clark giving Alger's biography at Revere.

Minutes of the 6th. annual Convention of the Horatio Alger Society, Revere, Mass. June 19, 20, and 21, 1970.

City Hall Revere, Mass., June 19, 1970

Registration took place and business meeting opened at 10:00 A.M. Carl Hartmann, Ex. Sec. presided.

After the minutes of the 5th. get together 1969 in New Haven were accepted, New business was introduced.

With a balance of \$14.84 in our treasury and a membership of 134 members and 6 libraries, seven new members acquired during 1970, our new budget was reported and accepted.

A motion was made, seconded and passed unanimously as follows:

"That Forrest Campbell, founder, editor & mainstay of the Horatio Alger Society; for his untiring efforts, both personal and financial, on behalf of the Society, be made a full paid life member with all rights and benefits."

"That we make Mr. & Mrs. Joseph Gallant honorary members of the Horatio Alger Society." (the Gallants are the present owners of the Horatio Alger home)

George Clarke, PF-264 was the Guest Speaker and gave us a biography of Horatio Alger Jr.

A motion was made, seconded and passed as follows:

"That the Horatio Alger Society establish a Jr. Alger Club with boys sponsored by a member, under 18, to pay no dues. They will receive a membership card and be listed in our annual roster."

"That we place 5 volumes of Alger in every public Library".

A slate of officers for the coming year was nominated from the floor. The nominations were voted on and accepted as submitted.

President	Judson Berry
Vice President	Bob Bennett
Treasurer	Dan Fuller

Business meeting was closed and all went to the General Edwards Inn for lunch.

Fenway Motel Pool, Sat. 9:30 A.M.

All members met at Pool at Fenway Motel, we decided on Sioux Falls, South Dakota for the next convention, 1971 and to hold it in May.

We then adjourned to see Ed Reynolds Algers and did some trading, selling and buying. Mostly trading.

Then came the "hi-lite" of the convention. All activity was transferred to 88 Beach St. where the Master of Ceremonies Bill DeCarlo, after a short prayer by Father Ferraro from St. Anthony's, introduced Mayor George V. Colella of Revere who unveiled a Bronze placque

on the Horatio Alger home, reading: BIRTH-PLACE OF HORATIO ALGER JR. 1832-1899. The placque was donated by the Revere Kiwanis Club.

Mayor Colella referred to Alger's first novel, Ragged Dick, and said the world would be a better place today if more young boys read Alger and could understand merit rather than background was most important.

Carl Hartmann inducted 5 new members of the Jr. Alger Club, and presented Honorary membership cards to Mr. & Mrs. Gallant. He then thanked the Kiwanis Club and made special note that the original idea of a placque was made by PF-008, past president Max Goldberg.

George Clarke then closed the dedication in front of the home by giving us a short biography of our Hero.

After the ceremonies Mr. and Mrs. Gallant invited us in for a tour of the house and served coffee and doughnuts.

Respectfully submitted by convention secretary, PF-063, Gladys Judson.

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#### JUNIOR CLUB LIBRARIAN

With a goal of 1,000 books in it free circulating library, the new JUNIOR ALGER Club will need a librarian of its own, to record acquisitions, donations of surplus books, and the actual circulation. It now has such a talented and dedicated person, a volunteer, Miss Rosemary E. Malvermi of 256 Prospect Ave., Revere, Mass. 02151.

Donors of surplus books are entitled to paste their names on the inside of the cover page and, of course, all such donations will be acknowledged.

Books will be loaned upon payment of postage, one or more in the shipment.

Miss Malvermi is a graduate of Revere High School and Boston University as a secretarial major. She is currently employed by Arthur D. Little, Inc., a research corporation of the highest rating in Cambridge. She is executive secretary to a senior professional. She spent six years in Wilmington, Delaware, as a secretary in the Public Relations Department of the Du-Pont Company. She served at MIT before going to Delaware in two positions, namely Senior Secretary in the Computation Center and Graduate Secretary in the Physics Department.

PF-264 - George Clarke

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The HAS Roster will be compiled as of Dec. 15, 1970. If you have any changes let me know as soon as possible. PF-102, Carl Hartmann

## READING ALGER CAN BE REWARDING

At long last, with retirement, some time can be allotted to the systematic reading of Alger for the purpose of cataloging historical references and other items of information according to the fancy of the individual.

Starting my project on the anniversary of Horatio's birthday last winter, I have re-read some forty Alger stories jotting down page numbers where items could be located at some future date. In the early stages of my research work I discovered a few things which are vitally important to the researcher. (1) A cross file is extremely important, especially to those who have a poor memory, where items of a similar nature can be grouped; for example, numerous references as to the location of historical landmarks such as the famous Astor House, or regulations in force at the Newsboys' Lodging House. (2) Certain subject matter did not seem important enough for cross file easy reference until I had discovered a second or a possible third reference to a given subject, and then, with my memory what it is, I failed to recall the first reference and just where it could be located. (3) Collaborating with one or two other researchers will help to hold your interest to an otherwise dull and routine work. Often, another person's opinion or personal views have proven to be valuable. In the exchange of references to a certain story when necessary to pin point a certain sentence, it is well to provide the chapter number as well as the page number for all editions are not numbered identically.

For example, I have a Donohue, Hurst, and a Burt edition of the story Mark Mason, and each edition has a different number of printed pages. In comparing the three editions of this story I have discovered that the Hurst edition has an unusual number of typographical errors which may reflect a great lack of proof reading when preparing the type. There are also other errors which can only be charged to the author himself, since the errors exist in all three editions.

One such error has been called to my attention by our partic'lar friend, 255, in re-

gard to a date mentioned in chapter 34 of the story, Mark Mason, which cannot be explained when comparing with preceding dates mentioned in chapters 23 and 27. Another error, also called to my attention by partic'lar friend 255, also found in the story of Mark Mason, chapter 19, places our hero in a "modest hotel" at Niagara Falls, while in chapter 20, our hero reports, without explanation, that he is staying at the (more expensive) "International Hotel" in Niagara Falls, New York.

Another partic'lar friend, 258, was beneficial to our readers in pointing out a misplaced illustration which will be found as a frontispiece illustration in the Porter & Coates, Campaign Series edition of the story, Paul Prescott's Charge, (and possibly in other Porter & Coates editions), with the caption, "Don't catch dis chile again." This illustration actually belongs in the story, Frank's Campaign, and can be correctly placed in chapter 23 where the identical caption is used in the text. This error was previously reported in Newsboy, April 1969.

And another apparent error in what was believed to be an Alger manuscript in the form of an untitled poem, and which was printed in the August 1966 issue of Newsboy, came to our attention near the close of the last school term. A student of Kalamazoo College, and friend of our Society, who contributed an article in the April 1970 issue of Newsboy entitled HORATIO & THE BIBLE, used the poem in his term paper, and the first line, quote: "Riches that life" was questioned by his English class instructor as to its meaning.

Unfortunately, the origin or the publication in which it appeared cannot be traced, however, it is the opinion of this writer that the line should be "Rich is that life" etc.

Next month, results of research on PHILOSOPHY AND FAMILIAR NAMES which are found in the Alger stories (PF-000)

AUGUST, 1970

WELCOME TO NEW MEMBERS....

PF-288

PF-288 Anthony D. Santomaso  
1255 Boulevard  
New Haven, Conn. 06511  
(Anna) T-20

Anthony has been dealing in books as a hobby for about seven years. He also does book searching for out of print non-fiction books. A graduate of the University of Conn. (Class of 1932) Anthony at 64 keeps himself busy with golf, oil painting and books.

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PF-289 Dr. John Maurice Clarke  
6245 North Kensington St.  
McLean, Virginia 22101  
(Ethel) T-0

John is the son of George Clarke and is a professor at American University and head of its public administration Department. He is a 32nd. degree Mason and has travelled extensively. John read Algers as a boy.

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PF-290 Edna B. Banks  
9 Sherwin Terrace  
Framingham, Mass. 01701  
(Clarence)

Edna is interested in collecting anything by or on Alger. Edna's son (PF-253) Bob is also a collector of Alger. Bob and Edna both attended the Revere Convention and added many titles to their collections.

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PF-291 Thomas E. McElhone  
603 Newport Gap Pike  
Willmington, Del. 19804  
T-110

Tom has collected Algers for years and has duplicates for sale (see Bookmart).

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PF-292 Mrs. Sophia C. Papapanu  
141 Sedgwick Rd.  
Syracuse, N.Y. 13203  
(James A.) T-30

Sophia is interested in Alger paperbacks and hopes to get them all. She also collects Cameras and carnival glass.

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PF-293 Russell J. Folsom  
1613 Arbutus Ave.  
Anaheim, Calif. 92805  
T-4

Russell read about us in THE BOY'S BOOK COLLECTER. A teacher by profession, Russell also collects pulp magazines, coins and stamps.

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PF-294 Thomas A. Bayless  
414 E. Dryden #3  
Glendale, Calif. 91207  
(Devota B.)

Tom comes to us thru William Chase, PF-273.

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PF-295 Robert H. Hunt  
213 NW 21st.  
Corvallis, Oregon 97330  
(Gladys) T-114

Robert, a retired traveling agent for the South Pacific Co., is interested in collecting, reading Algers, reading about Alger and visiting when possible the locales of his stories.

He has first editions of "\$500 Check", "Ben Bruce" and "Mark Mason's Victory". Bob has been collecting Algers for over 40 years and in September of this year will have a display at Corvallis City Library. The library has Ralph Gardner's book but no Algers so Bob is giving them a few copies.

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PF-296 William Parke Kenworthy, Jr.  
High St.  
Atglen, Pa. 19310  
(Arlien) T-many

Among other things Dr. Kenworthy collects mechanical banks, bells and Algers. Hobbies plus being a medical doctor keeps him active at 73.

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PF-297 Joseph A. Festa  
360 Malden St.  
Revere, Mass. 02151  
(Camille)

As a new member, Joe has signified his willingness to help as a committe worker and he plans to enroll his two sons as charter junior members. He also hopes to make the "100" club. His other hobby is deep sea fishing and has a trophy for a 451 lb. Marlin, the largest caught off Florida in the past ten years.

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PF-298 Eva P. Flynn  
23 E. Commonwealth Ave.  
Alhambra, Ca. 91801  
T-24

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PF-299 George D. Mitchell  
E 911 Hoffman  
Spokane, Wash. 99207  
(Mildred E.) T-38

George is an Antique dealer and has fond memories of reading Alger as a boy. His shop is called George's "The Incurable Collector".

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NEW YORK CITY  
DURING THE TIME OF HORATIO ALGER JR.

New York City, during the thirty years that followed the Civil War, was the city of dreams to many people. The wealthy financier dreamed of the riches that he could make on Wall St. Talented individuals who desired Fame and Fortune, dreamed of career openings in the world of music, art, and theatre. Society's dream was of parties and balls. The city's many immigrants visioned opportunities for success, and finally, the crooked politicians dreamed of the enormous sums of money that they could pocket through frauds and bribes.

After the War ended, citizens of New York had the time to turn their attention to municipal affairs, where they found that the city's politicians were already deep in their fraudulent schemes. "Political morality sank to a new low as office holders cheated, and stole, and honest officials practically vanished from the scene." At the top of all this vice was William Marcy Tweed, frequently called "Boss" Tweed.

"The scale of Tweed's fraud was immense. The city treasury was fleeced of an amount that has been estimated as high as \$200,000,000. The most outstanding example of Tweed's dishonesty occurred in 1869-70, when the County Court House was constructed. The building cost the taxpayers \$12,000,000, but was worth at the most, only \$3,000,000. Tweed and his associates pocketed the rest.

In 1870, the New York Times newspaper started a campaign against Tweed, which was later joined by Horace Greeley and his Tribune. In July, 1871, two city officials provided the necessary papers to trap Tweed. He was arrested in October, 1871, tried a number of times, and was imprisoned on Blackwell's Island. He escaped, was captured and confined in a different prison, where he died in April, 1878.

Due to railroad speculations by some of the country's wealthiest and the condition of over-expansion that existed throughout the continent during the latter part of the century, the Panic of 1873 took place. As a result of this, the United States entered a depression.

In 1878 the upturn came about and once again people's fortunes began to climb.

This new found wealth began New York's "Era of Elegance." The city's upper class longed for the day when they might belong to the fashionable Society of New York. To mingle with Alexander T. Stewart, William Astor, and other notables was their most fervent desire.

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In this period it was Fifth Avenue, not Broadway, that was the most fashionable thoroughfare. Moreover, Fifth Avenue was fast becoming the street of fine residences. Nearly 350 buildings had been built by 1865, and it was calculated that they had each cost at least \$20,000.

New York City was becoming culturally minded also. In 1869 the Metropolitan Museum of Art was founded by a group of people at the city's Union League Club. The Metropolitan Opera Association was formed, and 1883, the Opera House opened. This venture proved to be an immediate success.

Finally, to end this on an Alger note, it was in 1881 that Tony Pastor built his variety house, which soon became a celebrated building in New York City.

SOURCE: Susan E. Lyman, The Story of New York  
NEXT: Apartment houses are introduced in the city, new methods of transportation are developed, and the Statue of Liberty comes to Bedloe's Island.

Jack Bales, PF-258

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Gil Westgard con't from page

TRUE FLAG

1854 Robert Lamson (poem?)

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Little Nan (originally listed as appearing in Golden Argosy, May 16, 1887. However, there is no such date of issue for this magazine.)

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HORATIO ALGER SOCIETY AWARDS

THE NEWSBOY Award for 1970 was given to Past President Max Goldberg for his articles in THE NEWSBOY, his various newspaper stories on and about Alger, his talks and lectures on Alger for clubs and organizations. It was because of one of his talks that the Alger House in Revere now has a placque. Due to prior commitments the Goldbergs could not be present at the Revere Convention so the award was received for Max by PF-102, Carl Hartmann.

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The Luck and Pluck award was given to PF-102 Carl Hartmann, and I thank you one and all.

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DID YOU KNOW...the Collier Books publication of Ragged Dick and Mark, the Match Boy first published in 1962 is in its 5th. printing. With an introduction by Rychard Fink this paperback is a nice addition to your Collection.