



KNEWSLETTER IN A KNUTSHELL



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Our *international* membership is happily involved with "Anything that goes 'cut'!"

September 2003

STAN SHAW - ONE IN A MILLION

By Jim Taylor

Born in December, 1926, and therefore in his 77th year, Stan Shaw is very proud of his hard earned title, Little Mester. The word mester is derived from the almost impenetrable cutler's dialect of years past. The "boss" of any of Sheffield's cutlery companies would always be addressed by his last name, e.g. Mr. Wostenholm; Mr Ibberson, etc. The dialect, however, translated this orally into: Mester Wostenholm and Mester Ibberson, etc. Therefore, the top craftsmen were accorded the honorary title, little mesters. Over the years I have read a variety of explanations of how this unusual title received its name, all of them incorrect. What you read above, is correct.



Now, let us accept that over the past, say, 300 years, the countless teeming millions of workers necessary to fuel the staggering output of Sheffield's multiple industries. (Actual figures are not reliably known) It's possible to hazard a guess that maybe one million little mesters have existed?

Today, (in the pocket knife industry) there is but ONE! Hence the title of this short article. His name is Stanley Shaw. One in a million.

Stanley Shaw "Little Mester" commissioned to make a presentation knife by the Sheffield Assay Office to commemorate the visit on 12 Dec 1986 of H.M. Queen Elizabeth II.

When Queen Elizabeth. II visited Sheffield and South Yorkshire in 1986, it was decided to present Her Majesty with a Sheffield made penknife. The handles were to be made of solid platinum, and the knife was to be of the same pattern as the gold example that was presented to Her Majesty more than 30 years earlier. Stan Shaw, of course, made the platinum example. Interestingly, Stan had also had a much smaller hand in the making of the gold example all those years earlier. Back then, he was a junior craftsman with the George Ibberson Company. He recalls with much fondness watching that company's senior cutler, Ted Osbourne, design and craft the gold pocket knife and all of the excitement that preceded its presentation.

One of the stories that Stan enjoys telling, concerns his one and only visit to the Cutler's Feast. This is an annual event that is sponsored by the Master Cutler of the day and held with much pomp and circumstance in the Cutler's Hall. The Master Cutler enjoys much respect in Sheffield. Such personage is considered second only to the Lord Mayor, in all and any civic functions. I digress.... Mr. Alan Jowitt, a Master Cutler of relatively recent date, had commissioned Stan to make a silver handled, two blade pocketknife for each of his 300 guests. Presentation was to be at the Cutler's Feast and would celebrate his year in office. To Stan, of course, such an order was a giant undertaking and one that he fretted over for many months. Completion, I assure you, was just in the nick of time.



*The Queen's Knife
Presented to Queen Elizabeth II on 1 December 1986*

One Lambfoot Blade. One glove button hook with back springs and blades ornamented with a Maltese Cross and flute design. Scales and shackle are of platinum everything else is stainless steel.

*Marks: Sheffield England on mark side.
Stainless steel on pile side*

Size: Open 11.8 cm Closed 5.9 cm

*Hallmarks: SAO (Sheffield Assay Office) ORB (platinum)
M (year mark) Rose (Sheffield)*

Engraved: Royal cipher below crown decorated with roses and inscribed date of presentation.

Photograph courtesy of the Sheffield Assay Office

Knotes on United States Military Edged Cutlery

by Frank Trzaska

U.S. French Foreign Legion Knife

The Remington made P1913 bayonet that was cut down to a fighting knife and termed a "French Foreign Legion Fighting Knife" is somewhat of a mystery, at least to me. After the British experiences fighting the Boers armed with the 7mm Mauser rifle, they decided they needed to replace their SMLE in .303 with a new rifle and cartridge. The designers came up with the new P13 in a 7mm cartridge. When WWI was about to start, they realized they could not change cartridges as they had large stocks of .303 ammo and the ability to easily produce more. Britain then modified the P13 rifle to fire .303 ammo and designated it the P14, a secondary rifle to the SMLE.

When the U.S. entered WWI, we had the M1903 Springfield but could not produce them fast enough at the current armories in Springfield and Rock Island. As the P14 was already in production through Remington and Winchester at three plants in the U.S., it would take less time and effort to convert those rifles to the U.S. standard 30-06 cartridge. The U.S. then modified the P14 to fire the U.S. .30-06 and designated the rifle the M1917. Well over 2,000,000 were made in a very short period of time, and it became the most widely used U.S. rifle of that War. During the time in between wars, the M1917 was usually left in storage in favor of the M1903 Springfield being fielded.

In WWII several hundred thousand M1917s with bayonets were issued to the Free French Forces from U.S. stockpiles in the Lend-Lease program. After WWII the French continued to use the M1917 in both Indo-China and Algeria. The M1917 was used early in Vietnam to issue to forces friendly with the colonial French, such as the Hoa Hao tribe. They also used vast numbers of M3 trench knives. I have always thought this to be the big reason that M3 knives were so rare to be found on the surplus market until rather recently. It wouldn't surprise me a bit to find out the recently released M3 knives now being sold as "arsenal" refinished items were actually refinished as part of a French armory and under French ownership, but that is pure speculation.

The 2d REP (Regiment Etranger de Parachutistes) are usually seen with the M1 Carbine and the M4 bayonet. They did possess the rare folding stock M1s as seen in pictures of the French forces at Dien Bien Phu. I have several books on the French Foreign Legion and almost every photo has a para with a M4 bayonet. I believe that as the M3s and M4s were worn out, lost, broken and just through general attrition the supply dwindled. With this, there was a demand for a new fighting knife and the M1917 bayonets were cut down to fill this need. As for the Remington M1917 bayonet, I have both a bayonet and a cut down fighting knife. Both seem to be standard types encountered often enough. All I have seen are made from Remington bayonets although this could very well be, and probably is, a coincidence. The knife shown in the photo is U.S. marked and dated 1917, but I have heard of the British marked versions also having been used. Two distinct tip styles are to be encountered, the clip point, as shown, and the spear point. Ron Flook shows a spear point in his earlier book *A Photographic Primer of Military Knives* as item number 46 on page 24. These cut down M1917 bayonets came into the



US in the late 1980s and early 1990s advertized as "French Foreign Legion" fighting knives. I obtained my first example from Atlanta Cutlery. I wrote to the French Foreign Legion museum in Aubagne, France, several years ago and received a reply from Adjutant-Chef Kaan, curator of the museum. (I also received information about the Mark 2 like knives being passed off as F.F.L. items, they are not associated in any way with the Legion, and he stressed that point! Actually the companies involved have been told to stop using the Legion name or suffer the consequences.) He stated that these cut down M1917 bayonets were not Foreign Legion Fighting knives, that the Legion was issued the same equipment as the regular French Army.

I have been told in the book *Zaire* about the 2nd REP jumping into Kolwezi on 19 May 1978 to rescue Europeans, there are numerous

photos of paras with the cut down M1917 bayonet. Operation 'Leopard' was launched on 18th May when 2d REP was dispatched on a mercy mission from Corsica to Zaire via Chad to rescue three thousand European residents caught up in the looting of Kolwezi by Katanga 'Tiger' rebels from Angola. They were transported to the drop zone in 18 C-141 Starlifters provided by the United States in an answer to a plea from Zairian President, Joseph Mobutu. On the 19th of May, 500 men (the initial number was limited by the lack of available Zairean Army transport planes) were dropped over Kolwezi. The odds according to military estimates were 10 to 1 in favor of the rebels. That had never stopped the Legion before and they continued the plans for the drop. The town was largely secured within two hours during which over 100 rebels were killed. A second wave of Legionnaires was dropped the following day and the operation to clear rebels from the town was soon completed. Patrols were sent out in jeeps (more U.S. equipment) and the surrounding area was cleared by the 25th of May. The operation was completed with five

Legionnaires killed and 25 wounded while the rebel kill was set at 250. The majority of the European hostages were released, though sadly the Legionnaires reached the Impala Hotel too late to save those held inside who had all been shot by the Katangese. This is exactly the mission the Legion excels in, impossible odds and a lightning quick, brutal strike. Just thought I would throw a quick history in there.

Whoever did the work converting these items did a good job on the scabbard, which has the typical M1917 metal tip, throat and green leather body. The leather body was very professionally cut down, and a thick leather belt loop and retaining strap was added at the top. In the several examples of this knife I have handled and owned, the leather is of the same color and texture as the frog of the M1956 bayonet for the French MAS 49-56 rifle. The rivets are even the same in color and peening style. In most of the pictures I have seen the French were again using standard U.S. web gear. Why did they do away with the M1910 hook set up in favor of a leather belt loop? Doesn't make sense on the surface. Perhaps they wanted it to fit on other belts as well. They may not have been made for the French Foreign Legion, but they are the only ones I have heard of using them. If you have the book *Zaire*, I would love to see the pictures of the Legionnaires wearing the knives and post them right here.

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OKCA Knews and Musings

ibdennis

How I spent my Summer by ibdennis:

It was fun not having deadlines and gotta does. It was also a time to share the Summer sun and enjoy. In the order of knives, Wayne Goddard attempted to get me off on another collecting direction. It won't work, but it is fun having what I have. The two items were give away sharpening stones. Little bitty stones with Eugene, Oregon companies stamped on the leather pouches.



Then again someone gave me a mystery knife, and I had fun following a trail of errors and wrong guesses as to what its



purpose was. The answer next issue and any guesses and participation will be accepted.

Then there were the usual eBay items which included Prest-O-Lite items and the like. And then there was the hike to a high mountain lake with Elayne and Bernard. Elayne and I had knife hardware galore, and Bernard had only one knife. Any guesses as to what it might have been?

There was also the garden party held by Bernard. It was so enjoyed that Bernard wants to do it again. So please note the date in this Knewsletter. Nice place for a party.

The Show

Well, here it is September already and preparation for the next April Show is well under way. We have our opening ceremony event in place. We have our Club knife selected and its formal offering will be in the next issue. We want you to take close notice of the application enclosed that allows you to update membership or your table. Now is the time to be planning for the April 2004 Show. Makes it easier for us too if you get this to us as quickly as you can.

September Show....

The Willamette Valley Arms Collectors will be having their show September 20-21. Did U know that your OKCA membership card will get you in FREE? And that is a very good price. Allows you to spend that which you saved on admission for a special item like ahhh ummmm ... a knife maybe. This is a fun show held at the Lane County Convention Center. Same grounds where the Knife Show is held.

The war in Iraq



Matt Veatch

The Iraq war has seen the sons of our Club members in action. Matt Veatch has been a member of the OKCA for years. His father,



Jake Trzaska

Richard, is quite proud of him. Frank Trzaska has his son, Jake, also involved in the conflict. In the next issue we will explore the knives that they have with them.

A reminder about the Show....

At the April Show for 2004, we will be changing a few things. There will not be a Saturday Nite Social. No event is planned for Saturday night. The second change will be the elimination of the rope cutting competition. We are working on another competition event for the knife makers but have not yet formulated this. Also be aware that our friends from the Customs Department will be in attendance for the year 2004 Show. Importation of illegal items will be the key areas of concern. Animal parts are the things to watch for. Besides that they thought our Show was cool and want to get a real feeling for the Show.

New Maker Custom Knife Competition

Craig Morgan was the winner of the New Maker custom knife competition at the last Show. Craig is pictured getting his award at the May OKCA dinner meeting. That's Ole doing the giving.



Articles - Articles - Articles ...

The cupboard is getting a bit bone dry with articles for our next year of Knewsletters. Next month or two are good but.....



The Seek-re-tary Report

by elayne

The meeting at G. Willickers May 08, 2003 was the last meeting before the summer rest. No business discussion except old business –The Show. It was over and all were happy and sad.

Attended Bernard Levine's Garden Party this summer which was a fun time. Thank you, Bernard, for your hospitality.

Bernard has offered to host another event September 21. Call (541)484-0294 if you can attend.

See you at the meeting at G. Willickers, September 11.



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Attending the Feast, as a guest of the Master Cutler, was simply terrifying to Stan. He related the story to me. "I felt a right twit being fitted up for my black tie and tails." His terror, though, was unfounded. Mr. Jowitt introduced Stan to dozens of his guests that evening, each of whom was utterly thrilled with his pocket knife memento. Stan recalls with much relish that many of the guests made the comment "You're the real Master Cutler here, aren't you?"

Truer words were never spoken!

At the age of 77, Stan only works a couple of days a week now. Even so, he arrives at his tiny workshop at 7.30 am. Sharp. He simply states, "If I got here at nine o'clock, Jim, I'd be upset with myself all day long." Such is his work ethic. It's ingrained so deeply that only physical restraints could change it. One day, such restraints will prevail. Stan Shaw, just like the rest of us, will stop. That will be a sad day for me and you too, if you love the old time craftsmanship?.

The last little mester still making pocket cutlery in the ways of the ancients, in Sheffield, is Stanley Shaw. That is the case now and forever will be. Amen. 



Her Majesty, Queen Elizabeth II, talking to Little Mester, Stan Shaw.

L to R: Dr. W (Billy) Ibberson, Queen Elizabeth II, Stan Shaw.

The onlookers are members of the Sheffield Assay Office staff.

Photograph courtesy of the Sheffield Assay Office

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POT LUCK --bring something delectable food and/or beverage (no bell peppers!)

Bring one chair per two people (I have some, but not enough for all)

Bring knives for show and tell.

The Return of the Equinox (also known as)
The After Labor Day Sequel

SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 21, 2003

1:15 p.m.

In the garden at the home of

Bernard Levine

Enter by the gate facing the front door.

RSVP 541-484-0294
email: brlevine@ix.netcom.com
Let me know if you are coming, and how many in your party.





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MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION AND SHOW TABLE CONTRACT

PLEASE RETURN THIS ENTIRE PAGE or a photocopy. DO NOT CUT IT UP!

Name(s) _____

Mailing Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone: Eve (_____) _____ Day (_____) _____ Date _____

Collector _____ Knifemaker _____ Dealer _____ Mfr./Distrib. _____ Other _____

OKCA membership includes newsletter, dinner/swap meetings, free admission to OKCA shows, free OKCA Winter show tables, right to buy OKCA club knife.

__ Start/ __ Renew my/our OKCA membership (\$20 individual/\$23 family) \$ _____

2004 29TH ANNUAL OREGON KNIFE SHOW • APRIL 17-18, 2004 470 — 8'x30" TABLES

Exhibit Hall, Lane County Convention Center and Fairgrounds, 796 West 13th Ave., Eugene, Oregon.
FOR INFORMATION CONTACT SHOW CHAIRMAN: DENNIS ELLINGSEN, (541) 484-5564

AUTOMATIC RESERVATIONS: If you had a table at the 2003 Show, you have an automatic reservation for the same table in 2004, but THIS RESERVATION EXPIRES DECEMBER 15, 2003. You may still apply for a table after this date, but we cannot guarantee a table after December 15. NO RESERVATIONS HONORED OR APPLICATIONS ACCEPTED WITHOUT FULL PAYMENT! Note to NEW exhibitors: your table(s) will be assigned after 12/15/03.

ALL TABLE HOLDERS AND VISITORS agree to abide by the OKCA show rules, and to hold the OKCA, its officers, and the Lane County Fair Board harmless for any accident, loss, damage, theft, or injury.

ANY QUESTION OR DISPUTE arising during the show shall be resolved by the Show Chairman, whose decision shall be final.

THIS IS A KNIFE SHOW. All tables must be predominantly knives or knife related items (e.g. swords, axes, edged tools, edged weapons, knife books, knifemaking supplies). If in doubt, check with the Show Chairman ahead of time. The OKCA reserves the right to bar any item from display or sale. No firearms made after 1898 may be sold or shown at this show.

ALL EXHIBITORS are required to keep their tables set up throughout the public hours of the Show: 9 AM Saturday to 3 PM Sunday. ANY EXHIBITOR WHO LEAVES BEFORE 3 PM SUNDAY FORFEITS HIS FUTURE RESERVATIONS AND WILL BE DENIED TABLES AT FUTURE OREGON KNIFE SHOWS.

DISPLAY TABLES will be around the perimeter of the room. All displays are eligible for display awards, which are handmade knives donated by members and supporters of OKCA. Display judging will be by rules established by OKCA. Special category awards may also be offered. **NOTHING MAY BE SOLD FROM DISPLAY TABLES.**

SALE/TRADE TABLES Sharing of tables will not be allowed. Exhibitors must comply with all applicable local, state, and federal laws. Oregon has NO SALES TAX.

BADGES: Each table holder is entitled to one additional show badge.

KNIFEMAKERS who are present and are table holders at this show may enter knives in the knifemaking award competition.

FOR MORE INFORMATION on categories and judging criteria in the display and handmade knife competitions, contact the Show Chairman.

SECURITY will be provided by OKCA from 10AM Friday

until 4 PM Sunday. However, exhibitors are responsible for watching their own tables. Neither the OKCA nor the Lane County Fair Board will be responsible for any loss, theft, damage, or injury of any kind.

CITY AND COUNTY REGULATIONS require that there be:

- No Smoking within the Exhibit Hall at any time;
- No alcoholic beverages consumed within the Exhibit Hall during the public hours of the show;
- No loaded firearms worn or displayed at the show;
- No swords or knives brandished or displayed in a provocative manner.

Violators of these safety rules will be asked to leave.

NOTE ON SWITCHBLADES AND DAGGERS: In Oregon it is legal to make, sell, buy, or own switchblade knives. However, it is **ILLEGAL** to carry a switchblade knife, a gravity knife, a dagger, or a dirk concealed on one's person, or for a convicted felon to possess a switchblade or gravity knife. Most other states have banned switchblade knives. Under federal law, it is **ILLEGAL** to mail, carry, or ship a switchblade or gravity knife across state lines.

SHOW SCHEDULE

Friday, April 16, 2004. 10am - 8pm set-up; open **ONLY** to table-holders and members of OKCA.

Saturday, April 17, 2004. 7am-9am set-up. **9am-6pm** open to public.

Sunday, April 18, 2004 8am-9am set-up. **9am-3pm** open to public.

Tables that are cancelled will revert back to the OKCA. Subcontracting tables is not permitted.

EXHIBITOR CONTRACT: PLEASE ENCLOSE FULL PAYMENT WITH THIS FORM. Full refund granted if reservation canceled by February 15, 2004; for later cancellation, refund will be granted only if your table is rented to someone else. **DON'T GET LEFT OUT!!! MAIL THIS PAGE AND YOUR CHECK TODAY.** A signature is required.

Type of knives on your tables _____

Name for second badge _____ (two badges per table holder)

___ Club Dues (Total from above) \$ _____

___ Sale/Trade table(s) @ \$95 each (members only) \$ _____

___ Collector Display table(s) free with sale table: \$ _____

TOTAL ENCLOSED (make check payable to O.K.C.A.) \$ _____

I have read and agree to abide by the OKCA show rules as set forth in this contract, and to hold the OKCA, its officers, and the Lane County Fair Board harmless for any accident, damage, loss, theft, or injury.

Signature _____ Date _____

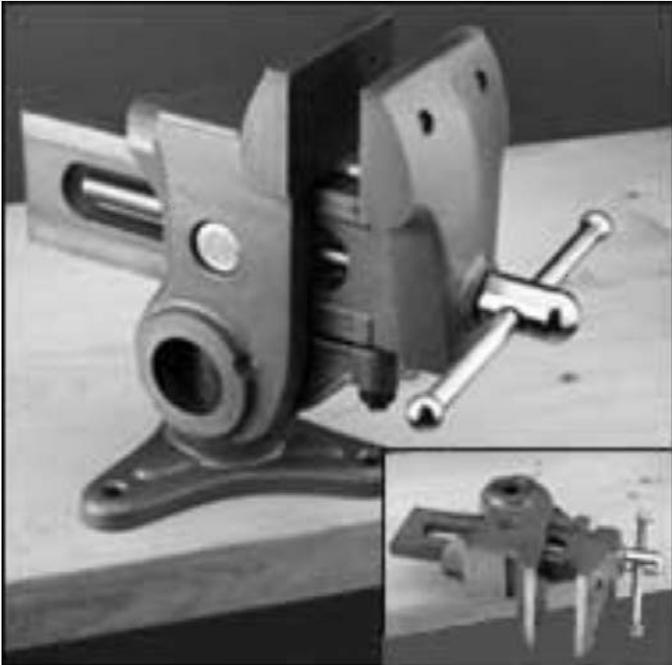
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Some of us have our vices

Sometime back I did a series on shop tools and one episode was on vices, but one of the best ones mentioned was no longer available at a reasonable price. Glory, glory, found it again at a "steal"! Woodcraft in Parkersburg WV. Their "Summer Spring Supplement Catalog" page 166 lists a Universal Vise prod. code 144592 @ \$39.99. Their order phone #1-800/225-1153. (I have seen other catalogs with this vise listed at well over \$100.) The first one I found at a garage sale for \$20, 25 years ago carried the name of "Versa Vise" and was listed as a gun smithing vise. The second one was ordered from the manufacturer at \$50 in lots of 6 ea. and had a slightly different jaw size. The vise mounts vertically or horizontally on a vertical post that is attached to the bench. The pivot of the vise locks when the vise jaws are tightening. Great tool -just got my 3rd one.

Bill Herndon



Wayne Goddard's two-hour, knifemaking-adventure video is now available on DVD. The DVD format is sharp and clear with a huge advantage being the stop-action feature. Much of the knifemaking video moves almost too fast, however, with the DVD format a specific image can be stopped while the details are studied.

"The Wire Damascus Hunting Knife, How To Do It" can be divided into five major segments: Anvils, forge tools and hammer techniques -10 minutes. Welding the damascus billet -20 minutes. Forging to shape and heat treating -45 minutes. Grinding the blade, hand rubbing and etching the blade. -25 minutes. Inletting, affixing and finishing the handle -25 minutes. There is some overlap with lots of tips, jigs, tools and techniques thrown in. DVD \$25.00 plus \$5.00. Also still available on VHS for \$45.00 plus \$5.00 shipping via priority mail.

Contact: Goddard's, 473 Durham Ave, Eugene, Oregon, 97404 541-689-8098 e-mail wgoddard44@earthlink.net We accept US currency, checks, money orders, Visa, Master Charge or Discovery cards. "THE WONDER OF KNIFEMAKING" by Wayne Goddard, \$20 plus \$5.00 shipping. "WAYNE GODDARD'S \$50 DOLLAR KNIFE SHOP" \$20 plus \$5 shipping. A little known fact is that the \$50 Knife Shop book contains a large chapter on making damascus steel. Buy any two together and save \$5 on shipping.

Remington Official Scout Knife Advertisement Form No. 153

I have been an avid collector of Remington cutlery advertisement for a number of years and wish to share with you an interesting and unusual Remington Official Scout Knife advertisement that I recently acquired.

It is the Remington Form No. 153, which is a two sided, three-color fold-up advertisement for the RS3333 and RS4233.

When the advertisement is folded, its size is 3 inches by 4 inches and this forms a cover, which contains some interesting facts. First, in the upper right-hand corner it indicates "since 1922" which pretty well confirms for me when Remington began making the Official Boy Scout Knives. Second, it gives the name of the manufacturer as Remington Arms Company, Inc., Cutlery Sales Office and Works, Bridgeport, Connecticut. Third, it indicates that the executive office is in New York. The information is enclosed in a red border. A red circle with Remington UMC appears in the upper center of the face of the folded advertisement.

When the advertisement is unfolded, it is 9 inches by 8 inches and contains more interesting information on each side. The side with the Form Number 153 and "Printed in USA" on it contains the alphabet in flag signals and a paragraph that says, among other things, "For 113 years Remington has been a leader in the workings of metals." This leads me to believe the form was printed in about 1929 which also corresponds to the configuration of the two round shield Remington Scout knives with vertical lift two-piece can openers pictured on the reverse side.

A second, 5 paragraph, section on the Form Number 153 side indicates the knife has "a thousand and one uses." Ten uses are described for the large blade. Five uses are described for the screwdriver, as well as two uses for the crown cap-lifter, which are described separately. The can opener is described as "exclusively Remington with a two-piece blade, which cannot break apart." To me, the most interesting of the blade

uses discussed here is that of the punch. Nine uses are discussed including the following: punch blade can be used as a candlestick in combination with the large blade. I have actually tried doing this several ways with slim success. If any of you readers know how this really works, please let me know.

The reverse side of this advertising includes two pictures of the RS 3333 and one of the RS4233 junior scout knife. A paragraph covers the Boy Scout authorization to manufacture the knife and states that each knife must "be equal in quality and workmanship to the master exhibits submitted to and approved by the U.S. Government Bureau of Standards. The center of the page describes in detail the twelve components of the knife including spun rivets, nickel silver trim (spelled nickle), and handle material made of American bone stag.

Since I was not around in the 1920s, I can only imagine the uses for this advertisement and how widely it was circulated. I assume that this

Form 153 in its folded up condition could have been placed on the counter of hardware and other stores selling the Remington Scout Knife. It could also have been circulated via the Boy Scout system and mailed out by Remington to those who made an inquiry on an Official Scout Knife. I wonder how many of these have survived in packed away possessions or in dresser drawers and how effective this form of advertisement may actually have been for Remington in selling its Official Scout Knives. 

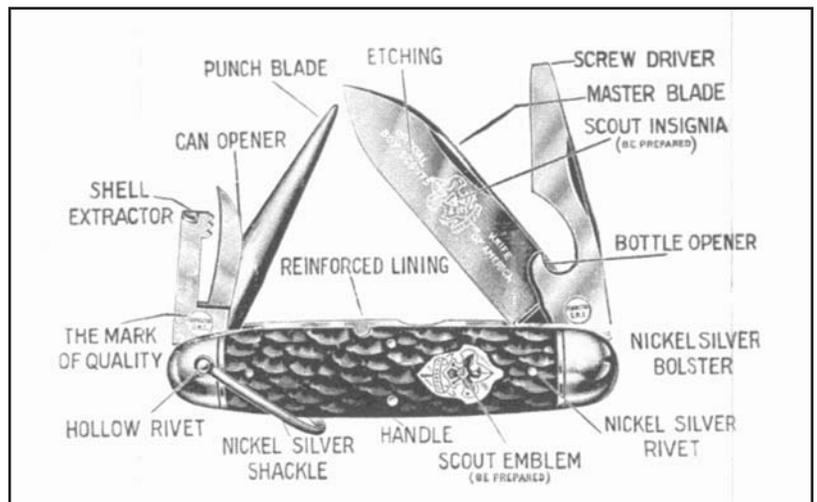
THE Remington "Official Knife—Boy Scouts of America" has a thousand and one uses. The large blade can be used for fashioning tent pegs, shaving chips for starting camp fire, scribing, blazing trails, cutting down and clearing underbrush, sharpening pencils, digging small holes, cleaning and dressing fish, whittling, fashioning arrows and bows for archery, preparing notched branches for thatching leanto, building bird houses, cutting lanyard ropes of canoe when twisted, slicing bacon, cutting up and preparing chicken and other food.

The screw-driver blade can be used to sink or raise a screw, ream a hole in wood, open crates, boxes, etc., radio work. Has a crown cap lifter for removing caps from bottles and other receptacles with metal tops.

The real can-opener is exclusively Remington with a two-piece blade which cannot break apart. Cutting edge blade is high carbon tool steel, back is high quality spring steel. Will cut quickly and cleanly, will not slip. Positive in action.

The punch blade punches holes in leather or wood, scrape insulation wires, clean spark plugs, core apples, cutting eyes out of potatoes, shell extractor, bicycle repairs, and can be used as a candlestick in combination with large blade.

These and many other jobs can be done as readily as if the knife was designed for each one of these uses alone. Folding blades prevent carelessness when not in use.



Mike & Barb's Corner

Hello, Hello, Hello, Hello, Hello, Hello, Hello.

Now that I have your attention, I would like to remind you about the Oregon Knife Collectors MINI Show. The show is set for December 13, 2003 at the Lane County Fair Grounds in Eugene, Oregon. The Show is open to the public at 8AM and is free to the public. Oh, I almost forgot, the tables are free to members of the Oregon Knife Collectors if you sign up ahead. The show goes until 4:00 P.M. Saturday.

After the Show we have a pot luck dinner that is great. The ladies in the Club bring all kinds of goodies to eat. The Club will furnish pop, coffee and the main course which is ham, turkey and maybe a salmon. It is a real meal, and you will be full when you leave. We always try to eat about 5PM right after the show, so you won't have to wait long.

The Board Members urge everyone to bring something for Toys for Tots. The local Fire Department and the Marines give the gifts to needy kids, up to about age 12 years. I know all of you can afford to bring a gift for some boy or girl who is in need of a Christmas gift.

This mini Show is a good time to get together with other knife collectors and talk knives. You could buy one at this Show, or you could sell a knife at this Show. It's up to you what you want to do. I always try and get a knife that I want and somehow it always works out. You could even make

contact with someone and work something out for the 2004 Show.

We will be in a different building for the Christmas Mini Show 2003. It will be in a larger building straight across from the old one. This building has everything you need and better. The Fair Grounds will have a snack bar set up with food and drink, or my name is not Mike Kyle. I don't think they will have biscuits and gravy, but it should be good. If you want biscuits and gravy, try the Dairy Marts; it's great. At any rate they will have food for you to buy.

I have just been trying to cover all the bases for you on this show, why? Well, we want you to come and enjoy yourself. We don't want you to have a problem getting there or trying to figure out what's happening. Last year we had about ninety tables of knives. This year we should have about one hundred tables. We have the room for them in the larger building.

Oh, yes you can call me at 541-998-5729 or email to reserve your table at this show. Set up is 7AM, first come first serve for tables. If you need electric or some special attention, please let me know. I plan on having a table at this knife

show so you can come by and see me if you have a problem of any kind. If I can't help you Dennis can because Dennis and Elayne will be at the front of the show with the Club tables.

By the time you read this Knewslettter, Barb and I will be in Tennessee visiting my family. You remember my Mom, Freda Kyle. She gets me a knife almost every year for Christmas. We will do some looking for knives while we visit in Lexington TN. We are not flying on this trip, we will be driving.

Please wait until after Sept 15, 2003 if you want to make a reservation for the mini show.

Thanks and have a Hoppy Day

Mike & Barb Kyle Sept 2003
a-doxiex2@att.net



Cut-toon

DronK Knives 10,000 BC



DronK, in deep reflection

William
Barefoot
Perry



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Interested in the OKCA 2003 Club knife? This is the Vallotton bone handled pattern that sold out rather quickly.



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For Sale - Randall knives bought, sold and traded. Also looking for a 1983 OKCA Gerber Paul Club knife. Call or email for current inventory: Jim Schick (209)333-1155, email jbschick@pacbell.net A

Wanted - Robeson whittler pattern #633499 in brown bone. Should say Pocket Eze on the shield. Consideration given to one close to this pattern. [ibdennis \(541\)484-5564 or ibdennis@oregonknifeclub.org](mailto:ibdennis@oregonknifeclub.org) M

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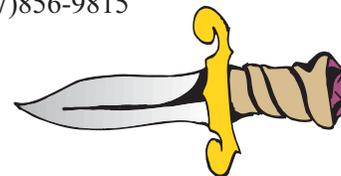
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Events Calendar September 2003

----- September 2003 -----		
Sep	12-14	- Spirit of Steel -Mesquite TX (KI)
Sep	12-14	- AECA Knife Show - Oak Lawn IL (KW-B)
Sep	20-21	- Willamette Valley Arms - Eugene OR (OKCA)
Sep	19-21	- Louisville Fall Show -KY (KW-B-KI)
Sep	19-21	- Blade Show West -Ontario CA (B)
Sep	26-27	- Palmetto Show -Spartanburg SC (KW-B)
Sep	27-28	- Wolverine Knife Show- Clawson MI (KW)
Sep	27-28	- Great NorthWest Show - Salem OR
----- October 2003 -----		
Oct	04-05	- NW Knife Collectors -Puyallup WA (KW-B)
Oct	10-11	- Edgerton Wisconsin Knife Show (KW-B-KI)
Oct	24-26	- Ohio Fall Show -Wilmington (KW-B)
----- November 2003 -----		
Nov	01-02	- Ft Myers Knife Show - FL (KW-B)
Nov	01-02	- Mt Vernon Show - Illinois (KW-B)
Nov	07-09	- New York Custom Show -NYC (B)
Nov	14-15	- Greater Ohio Valley -Cambridge OH (KW)
Nov	15-16	- Arizona Knife Collectors Show -Mesa AZ (KW-B)
Nov	22-23	- Rocky Mountain Show - Denver CO (KW-B)
----- December 2003 -----		
Dec	04-06	- Parkers Greatest - Pigeon Forge TN (KW-B)
Dec	13-13	- Oregon Knife Collectors Mini Winter Show - Eugene
----- January 2004 -----		
Jan	16-18	- Las Vegas Classic - Nevada (B)
Jan	23-25	- American Bladesmith Expo - Reno NV (B)
Jan	23-25	- Wolverine Knife Show - Novi MI (KW-B)
Jan	30-01	- Gator Cutlery Show - Lakeland FL (B)
----- February 2004 -----		
Feb	07-08	- Arkansas Custom - Little Rock AR (B)
Feb	21-22	- Flint River Show - Atlanta GA (B)

----- March 2004 -----		
Mar	26-27	- Badger Knife Show - Janesville WI (B)
----- April 2004 -----		
Apr	17-18	- Oregon Knife Show - Eugene OR
Apr	17-18	- Canadian Guild Show -Mississauga Ontario (B)
----- June 2004 -----		
Jun	04-06	- Blade Show - Atlanta GA (B)
----- September 2004 -----		
Sep	10-12	- Chicago Custom - Arlington Heights IL (B)

DINNER MEETING



Thursday Evening
 September 11, 2003

G Willickers
 440 Coburg Road
 Eugene, Oregon

6:00 PM Dinner
7:00 PM Meeting

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Show-N-Tell - Bring a special knife!

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