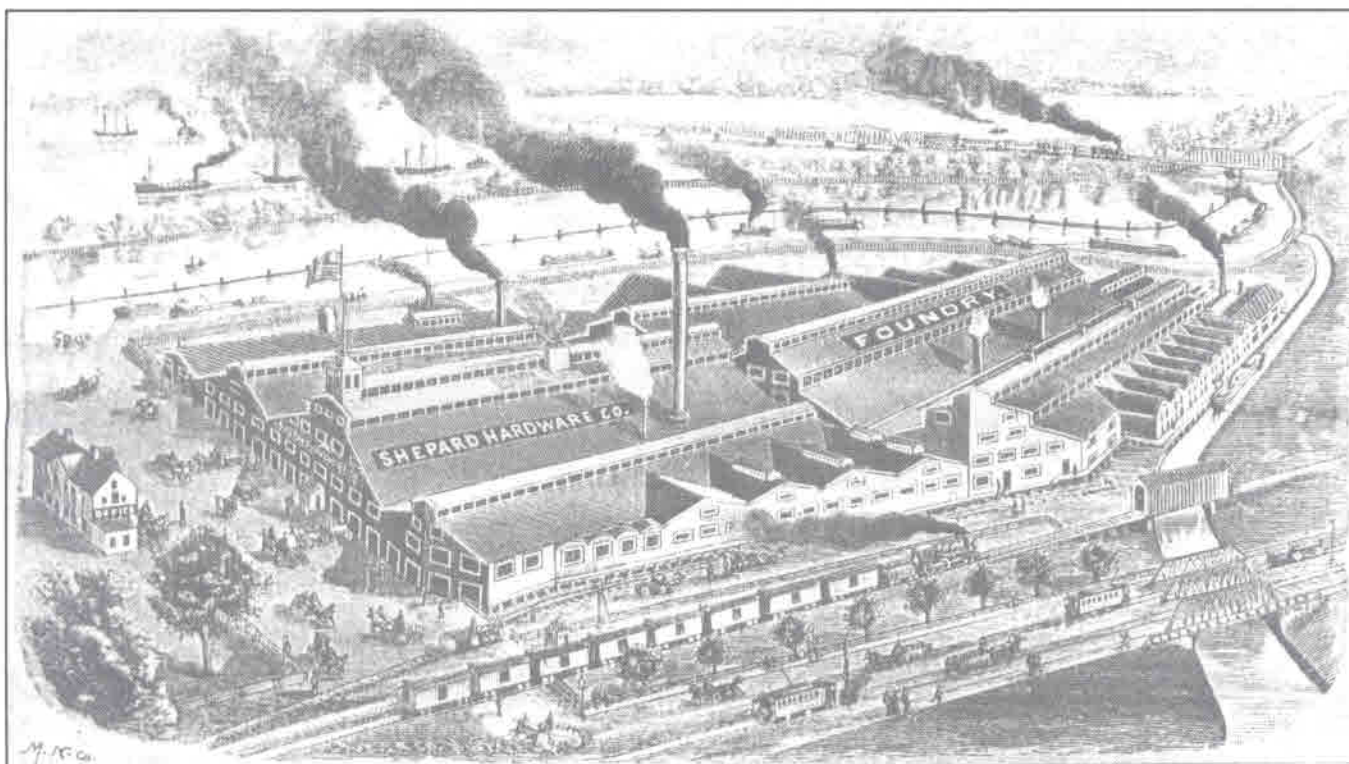


# KETTLES 'n COOKWARE®

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WORKS OF SHEPARD HARDWARE CO., BUFFALO, N. Y.  
Main Building, 550 feet long, 260 feet wide. Wing 45 x 180 feet.

Covers about three and one-half acres

## The Shepard Hardware Company

by David G. Smith

**T**he Shepard Hardware Company was founded in 1866 by John D. Shepard and was located at 118 to 134 Chicago Street, and 32 & 34 Miami Street in Buffalo, New York. During the 1870s, John brought his two sons, Charles G. and Walter J. Shepard into the business. By 1878 Charles and Walter became the principals in the business with Walter assuming the position of President. By 1888 the Shepard Hardware Co. had moved to a new "mammoth" facility [cover photo]

on Forest Avenue at the Black Rock Harbor and Erie Canal.

The company specialized in "house furnishings, goods and toys" made of cast iron. Their line included all sorts of hinges, hooks, fire pots, pulleys, stove pipe dampers, sad irons and sad iron heaters, shelf brackets, coffee pot stands (trivets), lard presses, etc. They also

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## FROM THE EDITOR

**W**hat a summer this has been! It seems like we have been on the go every minute of every hour. For those of you who have tried to call us, you know that is true.

Buying has been quite sparse this season. I bought the least at the spring Brimfield that I have ever done. It wasn't the prices, the merchandise just wasn't there. I had the same experience at Bouckville. I was there a week and purchased only four pieces and low end at that. And...I wasn't alone. Most of the buyers I talked to had the same experience. Selling was down also; the whole antiques market seems to be in a slump. I attribute it to two factors: the economy and eBay. I did manage to pick up a few good pieces from private sources, however.

I have been wanting to do an article about the Shepard Hardware Company of Buffalo, NY for years. My recent acquisition of a Sidney Shepard & Company catalog spurred me into this project. So off I went to Buffalo to search what information I could find. After nearly four hours at the Buffalo library searching through many references such as city directories, old newspaper articles (some on microfilm), obituaries, etc., I could find nothing about the Shepard Hardware Co. The only information was about the Sidney Shepard Co. whose primary business was producing stoves and commercial hardware and also had a huge tin shop which manufactured tin ware and enamel ware. By the late 1800s they had expanded to being a jobber of all sorts of household goods, similar to Nathaniel Waterman of Boston. It was interesting that a Sidney Shepard Co. catalog, circa 1910 did contain Griswold products such as muffin pans, kettles, waffle irons, skillets, etc. However, they did not include muffin pans with the unique characteristics of the Shepard Hardware Co. I thought the two companies, both with the name Shepard, must be connected in some way! After leaving the Buffalo library totally frustrated I went to the Buffalo Historical Society museum and reference library which is located in a different part of the city. Voila! They had two Shepard Hardware Company Catalogs and a booklet published by the Mechanical Bank Collectors of America. Shepard Hardware received the most notoriety from the mechanical banks they produced. One mystery that was immediately solved for me is that the Shepard Hardware Company and the earlier and much larger Sidney Shepard Co. were established by brothers. I hope you enjoy the article.

It is with considerable sadness that the next issue of *Kettles 'n Cookware* is my last. I have been doing this for twelve years and quite frankly, I have just run out of ideas. I have been contemplating this for the past two years but at the last minute I have ventured into another volume. I really enjoy doing it, primarily because it stimulates me to do more research and therefore increases my knowledge in this wonderful and challenging hobby.

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## Wagner and Griswold Society

Mid-September and time is getting closer for the first annual WAGS convention. I don't know about you, but I'm getting excited. David Smith and his committee have been hard at work putting together this year's convention. I personally want to thank Dave and his team for all of the hard work they have put into putting this all together. Thanks so much!!

I've heard from several collectors that they are bringing large amounts of iron for the swap meet and also for the show and tell. If you have interesting or rare items, items to sell at the swap meet, I encourage you to bring them to the convention. If you want a table to sell items at the swap meet make sure that you "order" a table. There should be plenty of items to look at and also purchase during your stay at the convention.

The nominating committee is busy at work getting names together for ALL of the officer and director positions to be filled at this meeting. Remember if you are not coming to the annual convention, you can still vote for your choice of officer and director for WAGS via an absentee ballot. Absentee ballots are available to all of those who contact and ask for them from the Secretary. Take a stand and let your voice be heard and VOTE, as this is your Society.

The WAGS online Forum has been getting a lot of very favorable emails and posts from members, guests and "lurkers." Many first time and curious cast iron collectors or "lurkers" have very kind words for the information provided and this venue provided by WAGS. The Forum is quickly approaching 10,000 posts in more than 1,300 topics. Steve Stephens, Richard Davis, Jenny Schwartz, Troy Hockensmith and Thomas Callaway have helped me tremendously in making the Forum a huge success. Thanks, guys! The Foundry list contains well over 250 foundries with pictures of products from many of these old foundries. The cast iron pup list contains 38 different Griswold-like pups and pictures for 32 of them. Special thanks to Thomas Callaway for maintaining and updating the Unusual and Interesting page, as well as helping me post pictures for folks on the Forum. If you have not visited or posted on the Forum, what are you waiting for? Hope to see all of you in Sidney! — Greg

### Planned Convention Activities

Friday: Registration, Continental Breakfast, Board Meeting, AM Wagner Plant Tour, PM Wagner Plant Tour, Show and Tell

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# SHEPARD HARDWARE

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produced toy mechanical banks for which they are most famous, and baking pans of which we are most interested for this article.

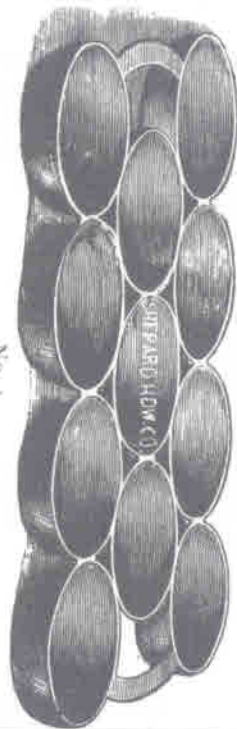
It is interesting that in their catalog No. 26, circa 1895 they illustrate "Waterman Pattern Baking Pans" [fig. 1, 2, 3]. The illustrations do not show the lid lifter end holes

## Bake Pans.

(WATERMAN PATTERN)

All numbers packed in cases of one dozen each.

Out No. A 139.



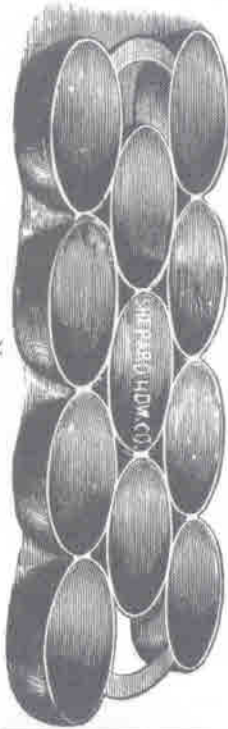
No. 1.

Eleven.— $2\frac{3}{4}$ -inch, Round Cells, per dozen.

\$3.30

Discount per cent.

Out No. A 140.



No. 2.

Eleven.—3-inch, Round Cells, per dozen.

\$3.30

Discount per cent.

Out No. A 141.



No. 3.

Eleven.—3-inch, Round Cells, Egg Frier, per dozen.

\$3.30

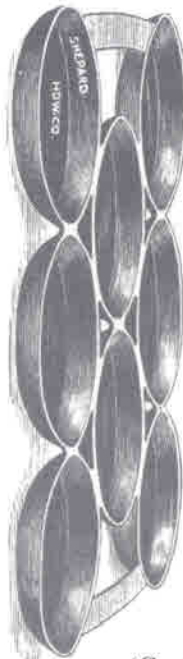
Discount per cent.

## Bake Pans.

(WATERMAN PATTERN)

All numbers packed in cases of one dozen each.

Out No. A 142.



No. 4.

Eight.— $2\frac{3}{8}$  x  $4\frac{1}{2}$  inch Oval Cells, French Roll, per dozen.

\$3.30

Discount per cent.

Out No. A 143.



No. 5.

Eight.— $2\frac{1}{2}$  x 4 inch Oval Cells, per dozen.

\$3.30

Discount per cent.

Out No. A 144.



No. 6.

Twelve.—2 x 3 inch Oblong Cells, per dozen.

\$3.30

Discount per cent.

Fig. 1

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## SHEPARD HARDWARE

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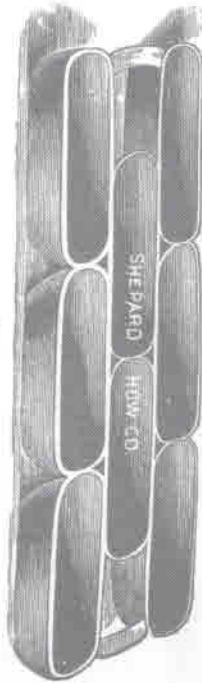
which are identifiable with Shepard muffin pans and is shown on only their No. 12 "new style with the lid lifter

### Bake Pans.

(WATERMAN PATTERN.)

All numbers packed in cases of one dozen each.

Our No. A 145.

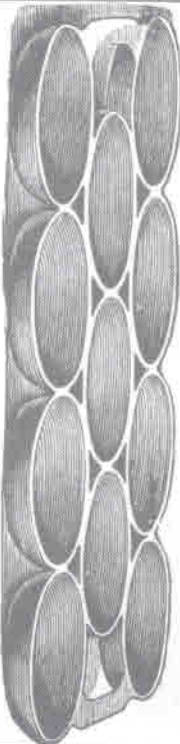


No. 7.

Eight— $2\frac{1}{2}$  x  $3\frac{3}{4}$  inch Oblong Cells, per dozen, . . . \$3.30

Discount \_\_\_\_\_ per cent.

Our No. A 146.

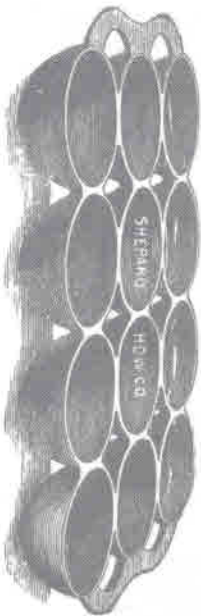


No. 8.

Eleven— $2\frac{1}{4}$  x  $3\frac{1}{4}$  inch Oval Cells, per dozen, . . . \$3.30

Discount \_\_\_\_\_ per cent.

Our No. A 147.



No. 9.

Twelve— $2\frac{1}{4}$  inch Hemispherical Cells, per dozen, . . . \$3.30

Discount \_\_\_\_\_ per cent.

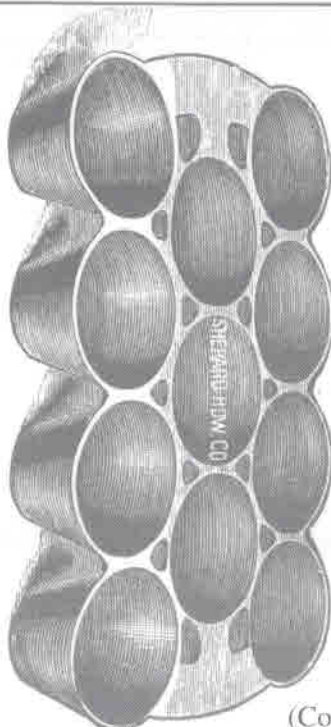
Fig. 2

### Bake Pans.

(WATERMAN PATTERN.)

All numbers packed in cases of one dozen each.

Our No. A 148.



No. 10.

Eleven— $2\frac{1}{4}$  inch Deep Round Cells, Corn Cake, per dozen, \$4.10

Discount \_\_\_\_\_ per cent.

Our No. A 149.



No. 11.

Twelve— $2$  x  $3\frac{1}{2}$  inch Oblong Cells, French Roll, per dozen, \$4.10

Discount \_\_\_\_\_ per cent.

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# SHEPARD HARDWARE

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attachment" which is so similar to the Griswold No. 14 [fig. 4]. They obviously added at least two more muffin pans with that handle, the No. 10 [fig. 5 & 6] and a No. 7 [fig. 7].

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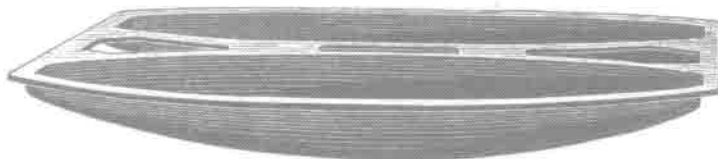
Fig. 3

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## Vienna Bread and Roll Pans

Packed in cases of one dozen each.

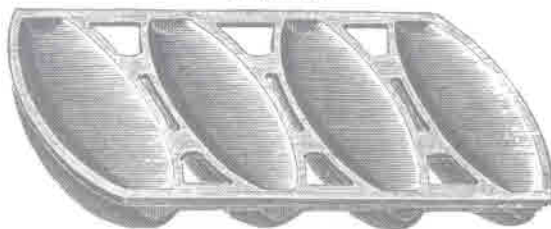
Cut No. A 150.



No. 20. Vienna Bread Pan, per dozen, . . . . . \$3.30

Discount . . . . . per cent.

Cut No. A 151.



No. 21. Vienna Roll Pan, per dozen, . . . . . \$3.30

Discount . . . . . per cent.

Cut No. A 152.



No. 12. (New Style.)

Twelve — 2 x 2 7/8-inch Oblong Cells, per dozen, . . . . . \$3.30

Discount . . . . . per cent.

(With Shepard's Stove Lid Lifter Attachment.)

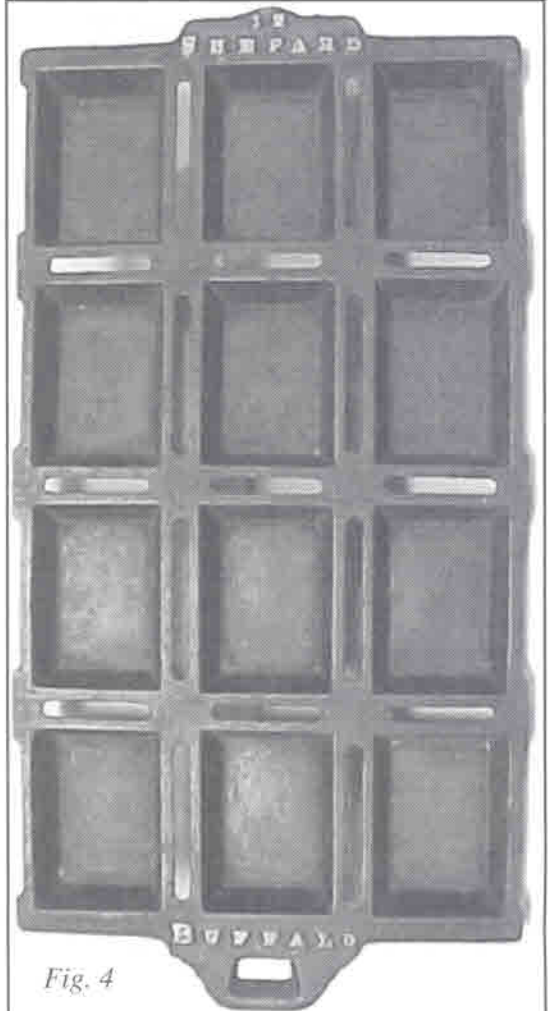
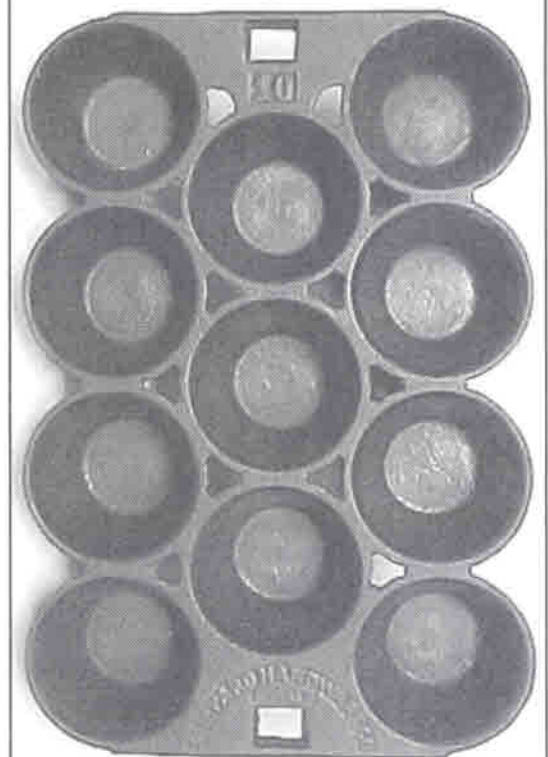


Fig. 4

Fig. 5







# The Swap Shop

## KEY:

p/n	=	pattern number
w/	=	with
SR	=	Smoke Ring
HR	=	Heat Ring
ISHR	=	Inside Heat Ring
TM	=	Trade Mark
btm	=	bottom
EPU	=	Erie, Pa. USA
var	=	variation
emb	=	emblem
mkd	=	marked

**WAGNERWARE FOR SALE:** No. 7 Skillet handle griddle \$35; "Wagner" No. 14 Bail handle Griddle \$85; Roasterette 4263 Magnalite w/ trivet \$75; No. 4265 Magnalite w/ trivet \$85; Round Roaster Magnalite w/ trivet (like new) \$40; Oval Roaster 4269 Magnalite w/ trivet \$165; DBC Skillet c/n 1401 Nickel Iron \$95; Wagnerware Little gem pan w/ cut outs; 9 cups, marked pat. pending \$125; Collection of Wagnerware w/ center logo skillets, contact for prices. **GRISWOLD FOR SALE:** No. 6 smooth bottom skillet, large emblem, bl. letters \$45; No. 7 smooth bottom skillet, large em., bl. letters \$45; No. 9 w/hr-p/n 1710, large emb., bl. letters \$65; No. 9 Lid \$40. **MISC:** Favorite Piquaware, marked "Best to Cook In" \$55; Martin Stove & Range Griddle, No. 8 \$45; No. 8 Crescent Fdry Dutch oven Ozark St. Louis \$75. Several other pieces contact for list and prices: Doug Brown, 8520 McDougal, Thornton, CO 80229, ph. 303-288-5910 email: Honeyb@totalspeed.net

## Remember KnC Classifieds are FREE

**GRISWOLD FOR SALE:** Wood handle aluminum Kettle, 1 1/2 qt. flat bottom p/n A41 1 1/2C, with cover same p/n \$200, Patty Molds in boxes #1 \$30; Erie Popover No. 10, pn 948, \$60; No. 10, pn 949C \$30; No. 19 six cup, pn 6141 \$100; No. 00 Ashtray \$30; No. 273 Crispy Corn Stick Pan, pn 930 \$35; No. 8 Deep Skillet w/cover, pn 77A \$120; No. 8 Waffle Iron #1614 (no holder) \$40; Skillets with Smooth Bottoms: No. 3 sm emb 709L \$15; Lg emb \$20; No. 4 lg emb 702A \$60; sm emb 702C \$40; No. 5 sm emb w/Hinge \$55; sm emb 2505 \$20; Deep Patty Bowl No. 72 \$60; Oval Roaster No. 5 Trivet A485T \$50. **WAGNER WARE:** Popover 1323 \$30; No. 2 Skillet \$120; C10 Glass cover, 11" diameter, marked Wagner Ware \$25; single loaf French Bread Pan No. 1162, 12" X 4" \$100. **FAVORITE PIQUA WARE:** No. 3 Skillet \$20. Sophie Dryden, 4265 Asher St., #51, San Diego, CA 92110; (619) 275-1715, call before 12 noon. email:

rosecrk@earthlink.net

**GRISWOLD FOR SALE:** Santa Mold, Excellent, Black Iron \$465; No. 9 Low Dome, Raised Letter Lid \$40; No. 866 Lamb Mold \$85; No. 3 Skillet and Smooth Top Lid, Chrome Plated \$135; Reverse Lamb Mold, plated, Nice, page 132 bottom Griswold blue covered book \$115; No. 7 Skillet Griddle, slant Emblem \$120; Steak Platter \$45; "ERIE" No. 7 Tea Kettle. \$70. **WAGNER FOR SALE:** Marked Q muffin pan, open frame \$35; "Sidney" No. 10 Skillet \$45; "Wagner" No. 12 Skillet \$65; Wagner Ware No. 8 Aluminum Oval Roaster with Raised Letter Lid and Trivet Excellent \$95. **MISC:** Martin Stove No. 8 Dutch Oven \$25; Unusual Wood & Bishop Bangor, Me. Tea Kettle \$95; Vintage 8 cup Harvest Pan w/Gate Mark Cast, not a new pan \$145. Buyer to pay Shipping and Insurance. Robert Karle, 344 Rt. 147, Middlefield, CT 06455. Phone (860) 349-1212 8 am to 8 pm or email: rkarle99@comcast.net

Deadline for next issue:

Nov. 15th

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workshop, Wagner Aluminum workshop,  
Buffet Dinner, Annual Meeting

Saturday: Buffet Breakfast, Swap Meet, Cleaning by  
Electrolysis workshop,  
Past Wagner Employees forum, Members  
Displays and judging, Banquet  
Sunday: 8 AM - 9 AM Buffet Breakfast  
8:30 AM Critique of Convention

If you haven't sent your registration in, do it now.

## From The Editor

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WAGS will most likely publish a newsletter next year. I have committed to contributing to that publication so it will keep me involved. However, it will take the ultimate pressure off me to write and publish a newsletter bimonthly myself.

I sincerely thank all of you, many of you from the very first issue twelve years ago, for your support and encouragement. A special thanks to those of you who contributed articles and unselfishly shared your knowledge of this fascinating field with the rest of us collectors.

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I wonder if any other Shepard pans were made with this feature?

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Fig. 6

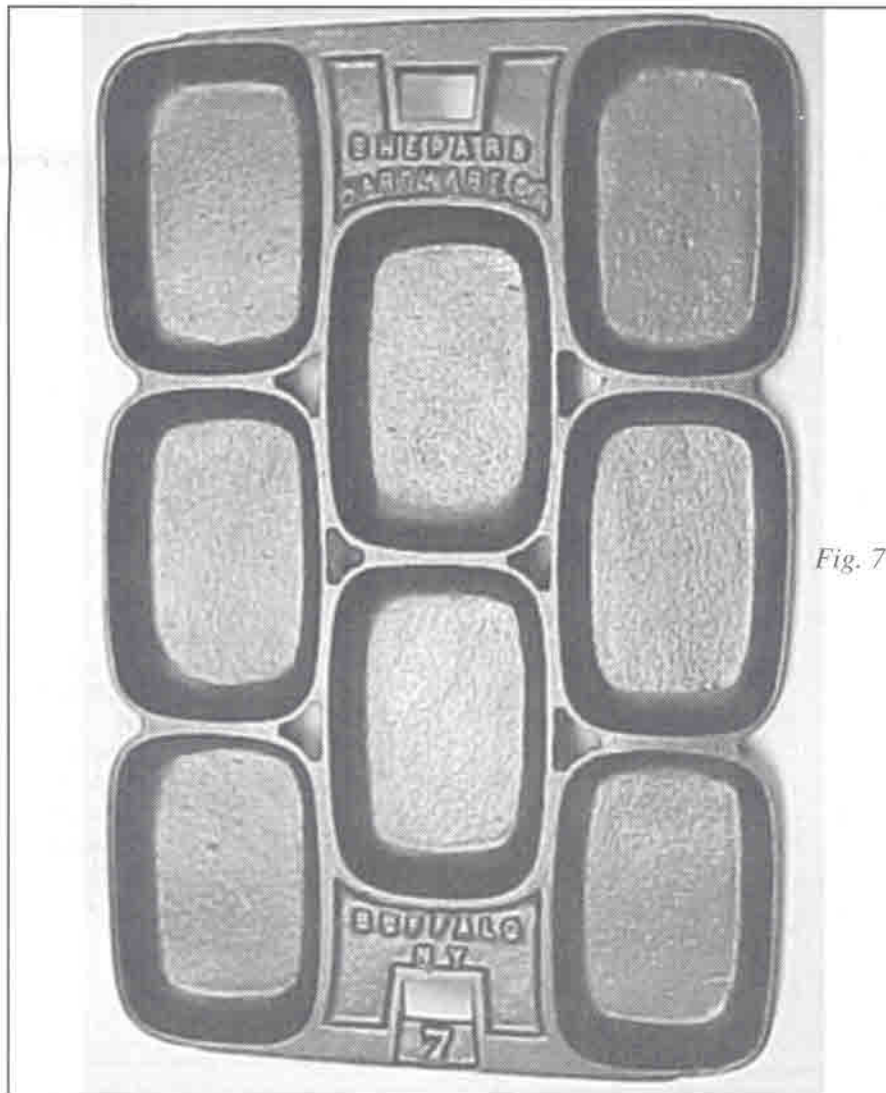


Fig. 7



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Two other items I found interesting are the "Queen City" broiler which is actually a North's Patent broiler (I  
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### Cylinder Rings.

ALSO CALLED

"WALL SAFE HEADS," "VENTILATOR HEADS,"  
OR "SAFETY TUBE HEADS."

BOTTLES' PATTERN.

FOR STOVE PIPE HOLES.

Cat No. A 107.

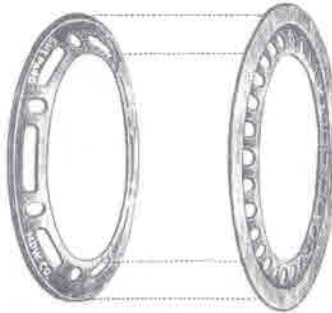


Fig. 8

The only Sunken-Head Cylinder Ring made, where the Inner and Outer Band of Sheet Metal are the same length.

The superiority of these Rings over others consists: First, in saving both STOCK AND TIME in the manufacture of the tin cylinder; second, in being extra strong, durable and safe.

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#### PRICE LIST.

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6-inch, per dozen pairs,	5.75
7-inch, per dozen pairs,	4.00

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Packed in crates of one dozen pairs each.

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### Broilers.

"QUEEN CITY."

Cat No. A 108.



For Gasoline, Oil and Gas Stoves. Will also broil well over Coal or Wood fires.

Most broilers do not broil sufficiently at the outer edge, the drip falling from the opening on the flame, and the meat becoming smoked and tainted.

WITH THIS BROILER THERE IS NO DRIP ON THE FLAME

New York Press, Price Receipt No. 29.

Place the steak in cold broiler, and put on cover. "Steak should never be less than one inch in thickness. Remove the bone and thin skin from the outside of fat and make little incisions to prevent curling. If for four people with different tastes, cut in four different parts.

"Grease the tops of the radiators with small piece of suet. Lay the steak on in its original shape, place the cover on carefully, remove the stove lid, place broiler over opening, and proceed to broil to suit taste of each. By this way, all the rich juices of the meat are retained. The dish to receive the broiled steak should be hot and covered. No salt should be used until the steak is removed from the broiler, then a liberal amount of butter should be spread (not previously melted, as heat has a tendency to make it rancid), and salt to taste and serve hot. The art once acquired, you will never eat steak broiled any other way."

Broiler should be cold when put over the fire and never heated enough to scorch the drip.

Price of 10-inch Broiler and Cover complete, per doz., \$12.00

Discount \_\_\_\_\_ per cent.

Packed in barrels containing about 50 pieces, 10-inch.

Covers in separate crates.

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## SHEPARD HARDWARE

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have both) and "Wall Safe Heads" [fig. 8 & 9] which is marked, BUTTLES PATENT [fig. 10], the marking found on the Griswold, and Wagner Wall Safe Heads.

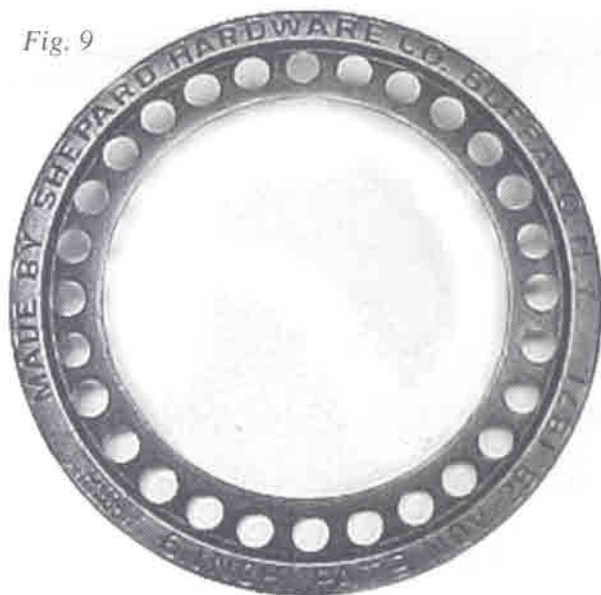
This reveals an interesting point. Usually a person who patented something sold the patent over to a specific manufacturer. Apparently in this case, however, the patentee sold "license" to more than one company; in this case, Griswold, Wagner, Shepard, and who knows who else. Interesting...

The Shepard Hardware company fell upon hard times in the 1890s, and closed in financial ruin. What a shame.



Fig. 10

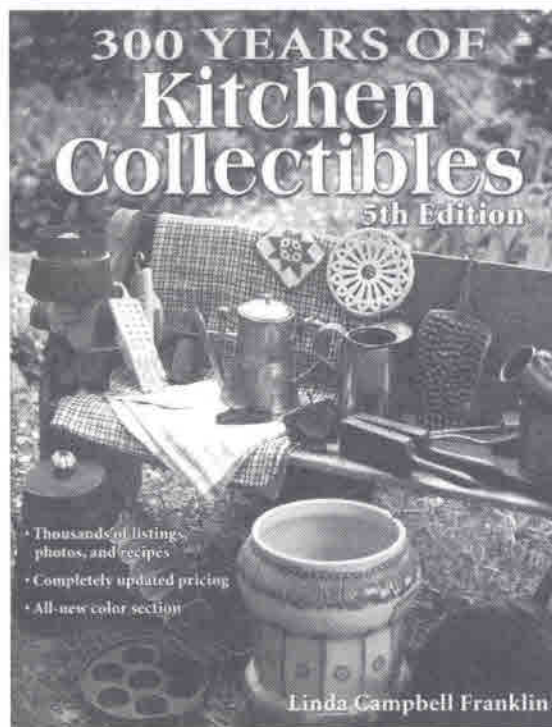
Fig. 9



## eBay Nuances

A "Rare" Griswold No. 5 skillet, small trademark, Erie, PA was offered on eBay with a starting bid of \$250.

One thing eBay does is provide entertainment!



This is the NEW expanded 5th Edition of "300 Years of Kitchen Collectibles" by Linda Campbell Franklin. This bible of kitchen collectibles is now 896 pages. This fantastic book includes a wide variety of cast iron cookware, including a special chapter by David G. Smith about muffin pans of various makers.

**\$32.95** (29.95 & 3.00 shipping)

Order from: **The Pan Man**

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## The Melting Pot

I recently picked up an interesting business card on eBay. It is a CLOWS card so I thought it would be interesting to add to my CLOWS catalog and would be a little added information to the CLOWS article in *KnC* Volume 11, No. 2 and a followup in No. 3. There were four or five

different business cards on eBay at this time, all for different companies. Some of the cards had 1928 on them. I can't believe these were actually used but must have been a printer's master. Does anyone have any ideas about this? – Dave



Dave: I recently found a frying pan with an interesting decoration on the bottom. It is a "picture" of a largemouth bass jumping out of the water with the sun or moon behind it. Other than that, there are no markings. Any idea who manufactured it? Any info would be appreciated. Thanks.  
– Jim

Jim: your pan is one of four made by the Lodge Mfg. Co. as part of their Wild Life Series. – Dave

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