

Antiquing with Joel Sater

"Sunday Flea Market Uses Old Stuff To Breathe New Life Into Big City"

Starting in May and running all through the hot summer months New York City's own flea market draws upwards of 5,000 antiquers every Sunday to its unique location in an unused parking lot at 6th Avenue and 25th Street.

The lot of course is well used Monday through Saturday but being in a business section of the city normal activity ceases on this one day of the week. "We've breathed life into this part of town," says N. H. Maguire, the affable director and promoter of the market.

This Arts and Antiques Flea Market is a genuine flea market. Being right in the heart of a metropolitan area serving 10,000,000 people it must set up bright and early Sunday morning and completely disassemble itself come nightfall. Monday morning the lot must be completely empty and ready for the normal business of the big city.

The result is a sort of carnival type chaos with dealers set-

ting up and wheeling and dealing in all directions so that when closing time comes they have as little left to pack up as possible.

Prices, antiques and people run the entire gamut here. Generally, prices are good and extremely tempting to buyers. Offerings include just about anything and everything.

On one afternoon I spotted a marvelous carnival figure of papier mache offered for \$600. Heavy glass seltzer bottles selling for \$2.00 and \$3.00. Victorian artists' cases priced \$14.00. A brass apartment dweller's intercom telephone system for \$75.00 and a collection of ten Royal Copenhagen and E&C Christmas plates offered on a "Let's Negotiate the Price" basis.

Big city antiquing is fun once those of us "from the sticks" adjust to the mood and tempo of the city dealers. Like antiquers everywhere they're just good natured people earning a living and having a ball at the same time.



Attorney and Mrs. Bob Huff from Lubbock, Texas, braving the rains to attend New York's Sunday Flea Market, visit George and Doris Hook, dealers from Greenbrook, N.J.

You're welcome at the 25th Street market whether you're a serious buyer looking for fresh inventories or a casual traveler spending a few days in the city "doing the town." And nowadays doing the town in New York must include a trip to this exciting hodge-podge.

It's easy to drive in the city and street parking is plentiful in this part of town on Sundays. If you drive in from out of town the Lincoln tunnel is easiest. When you exit from the

tunnel head downtown on 8th Avenue to 26th Street turn East and you'll run right into the market.

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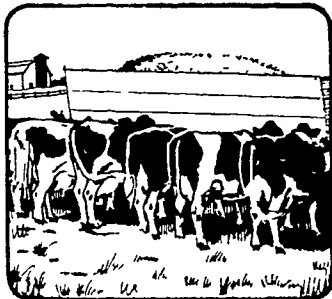
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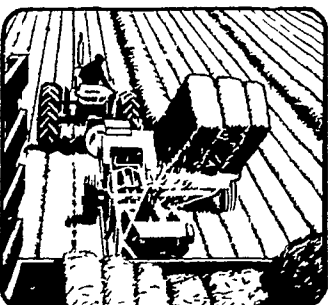
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