When Are Finders Keepers? Laws Are A Bit Complicated

Was It Technically Lost All-Important Question

Whether or not you have a right to keep lost property is more complicated than the old saying, "finders keepers." You must first establish two facts—that the article was lost and in a public place, according to Garvin Saunders, who interprets laws on lost property in McCall's for August, and gives you some good rules of thumb to be guided by.

To know whether you have a right to keep lost property you must first be able to answer two important questions: Did you find it in a public place? Was it technically lost

If the place where you find something is your neighbor's lawn, the boss's office or a stranger's car—you don't have to be told to leave it alone. Public therefore includes anyplace where people can came and go without trespassing.

More difficult even than the question of place is the question Is it lost property? If an article is lying just where the owner put it, it is mislaid, not lost. This is true especially of valuables intentionally hidden for safekeeping, as well as the topcoat on a restaurant hook. The hoarder may have forgotten where he hid his valuables, but in the eyes of the law he has not lost them.

But what happens if an article is mislaid and no one appears to claim it? In such a case that arose in Minneapolis in 1944 the court decided that although the money was obviously mislaid, it had gone unclaimed for so many years that it could safely be classified as lost money. So it was handed over to the finder.

Whatever your legal claim for lost property, however, remember that the original owner is the only true owner. If the seller of a second-hand car leaves money in the upholstery, the new owner must let him have the money, since title to the car is all that passed to him.

An interesting exception to most lost and found rules is the law of Treasure Trove, which deals with gold, silver and money hidden by an unknown person. All hidden property is part of the land on which it is hidden and belongs to the owner of the land, except treasure trove, which is limited to precious metals and to money hidden by the hand of man.

Here are some rules of thumb to guide you.

1. When you see someone's mislaid property or anything in a private place not open to the public, be slow to pick it up. But if circumstances seem to call for some attention to it, ask in a loud voice for directions to the office and take it straight there. Don't open handbags or billfolds without having a witness with you. Leave your name and address and try to get a receipt.

2. If you find lost property and find it in a public place you are entitled to take possession of it. Turn it in and get a receipt from a responsible person. Have it understood that it will be returned if not claimed.

3. When you take a lost article away with you, make every effort in good faith to locate the owner. Most state penal codes list the failure to do this as larceny.

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Banns of matrimony were published for the first time in St. Benedicts Catholic Church on Sunday for Leo Bauman of this place and Miss Evelyn Regan, daughter of Mrs. Susan Regan, of Bakerton.

Miss Martha McMaster, registered nurse, and a one-time resident of Carrolltown, visited for several days at the home of Mrs. Agnes Luther. Miss McMaster is now located in Ohio.

Mr. and Mrs. Michael Carr of Pittsburgh spent a visit during the past week at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Lambert E. Weakland.

Dan Connell and James Dillon were visitors in Pittsburgh recently.

Mrs. B. J. Dillon, son, James, and Mrs. Fred J. Fees and daughter, Juliana, were visitors at State College, Pa., last Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Melvin McCormick and family of Altoona, visited with the lady's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Kline, over the week end.

Miss Lois McNulty is spending a vacation period with her uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. O. B. Burley, in Johnstown, and Miss Shirley McNulty is also on a vacation visit with another uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Burley, in DuBois, Pa. Both girls are daughters of Mr. and Mrs. Gene McNulty.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Benny, of St. Benedict, have taken up their residence in Pittsburgh, where Mr. Benney is employed. Mrs. Benny is the former Miss Delores Shank, daughter of Mrs. Rose Shank of this place.

Three Sisters of the Benedictine Order are visitors at the local Convent. They are all former local residents. They are Sr. Angelica Illig, Sr. Modesta Hecker and Sr. Hilda Krejnus.

Mr. George Hecker, who had been seriously ill for a number of months, is convalescing nicely.

Local and Northern Cambria County ladies who are in attendance at the State Convention of the American Legion Auxiliary in Philadelphia, this week are Mrs. Ligouri J. Lacey, President of the Carrolltown Unit, and Mrs. Rose Callahan, of this place; Mrs. Ann Whalen, president of the Spangler Unit, and Mrs. John Steir, president of the Patton Unit. The ladies motored to the Quaker City with James Lacey, who is spending several days in Atlantic City.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Owens and Miss Mary Jo Wentz are spending this week on a vacation trip to Lake Erie and Niagara Falls. Mr. Owens is a member of the staff of the Union Press-Courier.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Stevens of Washington, D. C., spent several days visiting with Mr. Stevens' parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. Edward Stevens.

Barney Stevens spent several days during the past week visiting in New York City, where he was in attendance at a reunion of his old World War II organization—the Second Armored Division.

Mrs. Anna Roach, of Ambridge, Pa., spent several days visiting during the past week at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Warren G. Thomas.

A Reunion of the Burley family was held at the J. E. Burley farm on Sunday, July 30. The afternoon was spent in playing cards and a number of pictures were taken. A buffet lunch was held in the barn. The following attended: Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Burley and daughter, Patty; Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Burley and son, Joe, of DuBois; Mr. and Mrs. M. J. Burley and Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Burley of Altoona; Mr and Mrs. O. B. Burley and daughters, Mary Jo and Donna, of Johnstown; Mrs. Gertrude Burley, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. McNulty and family, Nancy, Dorothy, Kenny, Lois and Shirley, of Carrolltown; Mrs. Rose McNulty, Mrs. D. A. Weakland and Mr. and Mrs. Urban Stolz of Carrolltown; Mr. and Mrs. M. J. Miller, of Cresson; Mr. and Mrs. Anthony Cotroneo and daughter, Gloria, of Johnstown; Mr. and Mrs. Gib Baker and children, Judy and Freddy; Mr. and Mrs. L. P. Farabaugh and daughter, Cathy, of Altoona; Miss Margaret Wharton of Hollidaysburg, and Mr. and Mrs. Cyrus Wharton, of Dysart.

Dr. and Mrs. David Lieb of Bainbridge, N. Y., visiting here last week, along with Mr. Lieb's mother, Mrs. A. A. Lieb, and his brother, Rev. Father Germain Lieb, O. S. B., were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Deacon Smith in Wilkinsburg last Thursday. Returning, Father Germain remained at St. Vincents' College, after having spent two weeks' vacation in the North County.

Mrs. Winifred Schroth of Indiana was a recent guest of her mother, Mrs. Margaret Zollner.

Alfred Lieb motored to Lewistown Sunday, where his wife and family has been spending a week with Mrs. Lieb's parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Short. They all returned home.

Mr. and Mrs. Rudy Svidergol of Chicago, Ill., spent several days visiting the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Svidergol.

Sister Agatha Bearer, O. S. B., of Pittsburgh, is a guest at the local Convent.

Mrs. George Lacsny and son, Francis, Misses Ann and Mary Gavaler, of this place, and Sister Mary Louise Ahren of Pittsburgh, recently motored to Dayton, Ohio, where they visited Martin Ahren, former local resident, who is a patient at the U. S. Veterans' Hospital there.

Mrs. Barbara Hahn spent last week with her sister, Miss Lucy Holtz, near Hastings. Mrs. Lieb Farabaugh and children spent last Thursday visiting Miss Holtz.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Campbell and family of Washington, D. C., visited recently with Mrs. Campbell's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Patrick Campbell.

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The study was made last week under the state's cigarette sales act after manufacturers increased prices to wholesalers which were passed on to retailers.

W. B. Beachy, deputy secretary of revenue, in charge of investigations and collections, said the department experts figured the minimum price for a carton would have to be increased, but that the 20¢ price per pack would be unchanged.

The 1949 act provides that the wholesalers may not sell cigarettes for less than four percent above their cost and that retailers must add a minimum of six percent to their costs. The act does not fix maximum prices.

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