

Gollectors have discovered sportement's halves, and the prices on these relice — some of them, not so ald — make them the hot test stems eround. The values on some knives have jumped more than coins, more than stamps, more than guis — more than just about anything.

Take for example, the rather large heity folding knife thist Camillus Cuttlery made for hunters, fishermen and trappers some have

Cantilus Cullery made for hanters, fisherners and tempores some 38 years or so ago. The knife was marketed at 42.50 retail. Now a knife wasted by the second of Cantilus Cullery, advises anyone who has such a knife to think twice about selling it at that price, "With what has happened to the market during the last couple of years," he says, "it is simply earlier than to go higher — much higher."

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The tools of sportsment have always been highly regarded by collectors. Firearms, of course have been in their demand for more than 100 years. But there has been a livery market for antique fishing tackle for a long time — most of these collectors are quiet for fear of driving up the price. And, you can go right flowing the list — birch bark canoes are out of sight, as are guide hoats. Even wood and canvas canoes are now considered "antiques" and are worth more each year. Tor quality hamboo rods have been "livestments" rather than "purchases" for more than 30 years. Old showshoes and pack baskets ancient riffe cartridges — almost anything you can name can be sold to someone. A collection of old flack stamps, for example, is better than inow the gold, rush has turned to legitest. Bas come the custom knife fever. There are at least 40 craftsmen in the Country who produce handmade, hunting and fishing knives of the highest are

who produce handmade hunting and fishing knives of the highest quality. And some of them are six months or more behind in their six months or more behind in their orders. Their prices start at about \$100, and they will craft for you whatever you want — as kong as your money holds out, Many of these knives end up in collectors cases, but a lot of \$500 and \$600 knives are used to field dress game and whittle kindling.

I recently asked Nilo Miori about these developments — he's made

these developments — he's made knives his life for the last 43 years at Camillus Carllery. in Camillus N. Y. He just smiles and shakes his head in wonderment. "What N. Y. He just smiles and shakes his thead in wonderment. "What does anyone need a knife like this for?" he asks as he produces a beautiful handmade knife from his disek top. "It was made for me by a friend, and has my name on it. There is mot another on like it in the world, but I won't take it hunting."

Miori advises sportsmen to buy smaller knives to use in the field. "Think of the weight you save and you only use a small part of the blade at any one time" he excisions.

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"What kind of knife do you use on hunting trips?" I asked.

"Something like this." Miori said without hesitation. He picked out of a drawer a folding knife with a stigle blade of about four incides It was a sturdy, heavetfully made knife that could be carried in a public, or one belt in a compost infiner shouth. The left and stone chough to de said to.

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the season, it's time to get serious about making a real catch. What tricks and secreta can we was to feel a trout under early season longitions?

Just about everybody knows secret No. 1, and that's to get a supply of garden healths worms of nighter awkers. suippy-of-garden heatse-worms or nighterawiers. And, if the water is as cold and high as usual, then your best has got to be fishing along the bottom. Sometimes numphs or spinners can be used to elicit some strikes — but you'd better take worms along too.

The important secrets in eatening a couple of trout for broakfast are the ones not everyone knows. If these involve a special place, or a certain deep hole in a stream, then your best friends will not tell you about it. But there is one secret I know that you should have thought of yourself, and I don't mind sharing it.

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It's similar to my deer hunting secret ty to go where other peoplearent. On our heavily fish-ed waters of today, simply hit the

spots most of the bank-runners miss. This means that I pass up thous deep holes and eddles at anothing will take them but a steet of dynamics. And I skip those broad attetches of stream with a path on the bank, where it's easy to cast. I've never been able to get up early enough to cacth fish f, om these places.

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Look for places in the stream that are not the "beautiful spots" that everybody lishes. These can be shallows where there is a good flow of water — I've taken trout from places where you'd worker why their backs weren't out of the water. Another place would be an undertuit bank that is impossible to cast to; find a way to reach it. Overgrown banks where it is impossible to walk or cast — get out in the stream, get a boot full of water, cach a trout!

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The reason I don't mind sharing this near-secret, is that no one t've ever told it to believed it. They keep going back to the old wellworn paths, content in the pelief

## Conservation News

Trout dishermen in New York will have on opportunity this scason to sample several additional quality dishing areas, according to an ametineement by Commissioner of Environmental Conservation Ogden Reid. Special regulations have been adopted for selected high quality waters in order toprovide diversified angling opportunities for sportsmen, Commissioner Reid said in describing the new areas:

In Delaware County, a 6-mile

In Delaware County, a 6-mile portion of the famed Beaver Kill in the vicinity of the community or Horton, may be fished by anglers using artificials only and all fish taken must be returned to the water unbermed. water unharmed.

Also in Delaware County Trout Pond in the Town of Colchester has some new restrictions. Fish has some new restrictions. Fish may not be used for batt; either deader alive and there is a "tree trout daily limit there. These regulations were adopted because Trout Pand has been reclaimed and stocked with the Turis Lake strain of wild brook trout. An artificial spawning bed has been constructed in the pond to promote natural spawning of this

that trout are there if only they can find the right lure. This leaves all the brambles, unlikely stretches, and tiny brooks to me and a few other crazy guys who don't know what trout fishing is sed to be like.

strain. The Tunis strain is also being stocked in other waters to insure its preservation.

Two Lake Champlain 'libutaries have been given seven. In man mum size limit's for the to pro mum size limits for tro, to protect young landlocked salmon until they mature sufficiently to migrate down into the lake. These waters are the Bouquet River and all its tributariesin Essex County. Anglers have not been able to adequately distinguish landlocked salmon which are stream-stocked as fingerlings from the trout resident in the stream.

Finally, West Canada Creek, on the Oneida-Herkimer County border, has special regulations on a

der, has special regulations on a 2.5-mile stretch from the bridge atTrenten Fals, downstream to the mouth of Cincinnati Creek. There mouth of Cincinnati Creek. There is a 12-tree minimum size limit and only artificials may be used. Forty miles of West Canada Creek are managed for trout. This new special regulation area will diversity angling opportunity and is designed to improve chances of taking larger front. ing larger trout.

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## Reward To Policeman?

Arsonists set fire to a large warehouse one night, and the owners offered a \$10,000 reward for catching the culprits. A few days later, an alert policeman

picked up the guilty pair in a bar. In this situation, was the police-man entitled to the \$10,000? He insisted that he was, but a court ruled against him. The court said he could not collect a reward for doing what the city was already paying him to do: capture crim-

This is the rule in most circumstances, that a policeman (or other public employee) cannot demand a reward for merely doing his



Otherwise, explained one judge, whenever a crime was committed, instead of speedy efforts for the arrest of the offender, there would be a holding back in the hope that a reward would be offered."

On the other hand, an officer usually can collect the reward if what he did was outside the scope

of his duties. For example:

A deputy sheriff, on vacation in a neighboring county, had occasion to help in the capture of a bank robber. Learning that the bank had offered a reward, he de-cided to put in a claim for it.

This time, the court ruled in his favor. The court said that, having acted strictly on his own, he had as much right to the reward as any other deserving citizen.

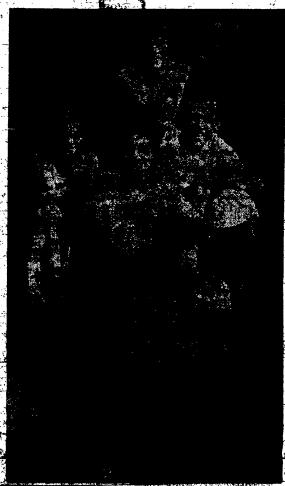
One famous case involved a one ramous case involved a hotel fire so fierce that firemen gave up their efforts to get into the building. Suddenly an anguished onlooker cried:

"I will give \$5,000 to anyone

who will bring out my wife!"
One fireman, galvanized into action, fought his way through the flames and managed to bring the Jiái namo

Later, when he tried to collect . the reward, the husband argued that rescuing people was part of a fireman's job. But the court said a fireman's job did not include reacues involving such a dire risk to his own life. For action show and beyond the call of duty, said the court, this areman and carned

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