

extent of their operation.

Turn of the century Portland newspapers carried numerous ads for means to get to their facility. The mug carries a detailed rendition of this resort.

The BPOE (Elks) influence in America has been substantial. Doubtless, many cities across the country boast Elk's Clubs today that continue to provide a wealth of community services.

In early America, the Elks were one of the most prominent organizations. This can be evidenced by collectors as many opportunities exist to obtain turn of the

The spectacular 1905 Lewis & Clark Exposition had just occurred, generating enormous attention for the city (indeed, many would vote it a most successful campaign to attract people to the Northwest and the single most significant event that contributed to Portland's growth).

This event alone spawned a mass array of collectible material, including beer mugs, glasses and tokens. In particular, one of the finer beer glasses from Oregon is the Albany Brewing Co glass advertising their wares during the exposition and



Albany Brewery 1884-1906 by Dave Scafani

This largest brewery in the Willamette Valley of Oregon was founded in 1884 by William and Paul Faber. The brewery and bottling company was located on the northeast corner of Ninth and Lyon in Albany, Oregon.

With a production of 8,000 barrels a year, distribution using the railroad reached as far as Portland and San Francisco. Twenty-five barrels each week was shipped south to a San Francisco outlet. As with many late nineteenth century breweries, Albany Brewing had an ice plant to produce ice for lager beer production. Six tons of ice were produced daily. Excess ice was sold.

In 1906, William Faber, now sole owner, sold his brewery to the Salem Brewery Association for a branch outlet. They closed the site down in 1908.



century postcards, buttons, ceremonial tokens, tags, watch fobs and more.

Two coveted Oregon items (not pictured) are the Weinhard/Elks 1912 watch fob (from a special convention that year) and an elk pottery whiskey flask from the Lotus advertising Rheingold beer in Portland.

Featured are two panels of pictures showing various sides of three Oregon Elks mugs. From the left, we have a Portland Chapter 142. Next is a private firm, Elder's Buffet, which obviously catered to the Elks crowd.

I was fortunate enough to find a photo postcard featuring the interior of this elaborate eatery in Portland bursting at the seams.

featuring the likeness of Lewis and Clark; truly a beautiful glass and sufficiently scarce.

Finally, we have one of Portland's more enterprising liquor merchants, The Rothchild Bros., that created a beer mug for The Dallas Elks Chapter 303. Beer mugs are all quite collectible and frankly, getting hard to find.

Those additional collecting categories, often unceremoniously referred to as "go-with memorabilia" can create lots of additional excitement and opportunities for your collection.

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