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HEART OF AMERICA CHAPTER of the
NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF WATCH AND CLOCK COLLECTORS

January-February Report for 1966

Happy Valentine's Day to all of you!

There is no news this time. As far as can be determined, everyone is resting up from a big Christmas and the stress of the new year, and is fighting colds, flu, and all sort of big bad ailments that we could all do without. There is some small movement of the collectors, but very small, as it just isn't the season for it. Lets face it--we have just been home long enough. It is TIME TO GET OUT AND GET GOING. Yes, it is the Valentine Season and how better to get a head of steam up than by getting together with old friends who you haven't seen since last year and handing them a Valentine. Lets all go out and get 25 5¢ Valentines and bring them to the coming meeting and pass them out to all our friends...will 25 be enough??? Our Chapter President must have had this in his mind when he sent me the following report---

Dear Fellow Members:

For our first meeting in 1966 we have been invited to the lovely house of one of our new members, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Richardson, at 9 East Normandy Lane, Kansas City North. Our Chapter is very fortunate to have so many members capable of doing so many things well. Here you will see a superb breakfront cabinet, designed and made by our host, and many other clever innovations.

At this meeting Gilbert clocks will be discussed and Robert Caywood will tell us about the doings of the Gilbert Company and its sponsors and officials down through the years. I am sure that much can be learned at this meeting. Remember and bring a Gilbert Clock and tell us its story.

We will also have a number of things to discuss. We need some ideas for the National Convention and we will appreciate any ideas brought up by anyone. If you cannot get to the meeting, write us what you think as soon as possible and we will present it at this meeting. Our meeting will be Sunday, February 13th, one day before Valentines Day.

Now, to get to 9 Normandy Lane--If you come from the south across the Paseo (toll) Bridge, keep to the left on the trafficway, take 29 toward St. Joseph to Vivian Road South Exit, around to the first traffic light, which is Vivian Road, turn right by the Milgram Store go under the trafficway up the grade to the greystone gateway, with is the entrance to Normandy Lane. It is a curving street but it is only about three blocks to our meeting place. 9 Normandy Lane is the 3rd house east of Main Street. If you pass Main, you have gone too far. If you come from the North, get off at the Vivian Road Exit South, turn right on Vivian Road and the first st. to the right off Vivian will be Normandy Lane. You may not see the Milgram Store here as it is north of the Trafficway.

Best wishes. See you Sunday, the 13th at 2 p.m. at 9 E. Normandy Lane. Drive carefully!

Your President,
Caspar A. Wagner

P.S. We have a letter from the National Convention Committee and they would like to have some idea of how much display space we would want. If anyone has special articles to display, cases will be furnished to safeguard your display but they should know beforehand. Rope guard rails will be around all the exhibits to keep viewers at a safe distance.

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Little poem discovered in local paper: She discovered an ugly old table, that was painted a hideous green. It was wobbly and battered and dirty; an object not fit to be seen. So she hammered and scrubbed it and sanded, and filled in with putty each chink. She painted it gaily...now see it: an ugly old table in pink! by Lee Avery. Remember to bone up on Gilbert clocks and well see you Sunday, Feb. 13th, with ideas for Natl. Convention.

Clement C. Wagner, Editor