

Mansion And 360 Articles Bring \$54,500 At Jacobs Sale

Estate Auction Lasts 8 Hours First Day As Crowd Attends Mount Vernon Place Event

In a spectacular auction disposal of the estates of the late Doctor and Mrs. Henry Barton Jacobs, thousands of dollars worth of table and toilet glass, porcelain and china, linens and laces, table and decorative silverware and bronzes, ormolu and terra cotta art objects yesterday went under the hammer of veteran auctioneer Sam Pattison.

The first day of sale ended at 6.30 P. M. after eight hours of almost continuous bidding in the crowded ballroom of the Jacobs mansion at 13 West Mount Vernon Place.

At 10 A. M. the sale opened with bidding on the real estate.

William Cook, undertaker and operator of the William Cook Funeral Mansion in the 1200 block of St. Paul street, bid in the brownstone structure for \$36,000.

He paid ten per cent. of the purchase price by check, and left the building soon afterward. An agent did the actual bidding, which opened at \$20,000.

As a matter of fact, he paid only \$35,998 for the house, because the \$1

admissions to the sale which he and his agent paid were refunded in cash.

More than 400 persons witnessed yesterday's sale of furnishings and art objects, crowding into the ballroom, most of them seated on doree ballroom chairs, which will also be auctioned off before the sale is completed.

Only three persons bid on the real estate, which included land and improvements and fixed furnishings (panelings, etc.) at Nos. 7 to 11 and No. 13 West Mount Vernon Place. The whole, sold in fee simple, is assessed at \$160,630.

After the sale Mr. Cook told sale officials he planned to buy a large number of the drapes and heavy furnishings.

Asked if he intended to use the house as an undertaking establishment, he said: "Well, you can't tell right now, but you can draw your own conclusions."

The mansion is in an area zoned for residential use, it was stated at the
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office of the Board of Zoning Appeals. It was said that under zoning regulations funeral establishments are barred from residential zones.

The property also is subject to restrictions limiting the height of buildings, except churches, to seventy feet, as set forth in Chapter 42 of the Acts of 1904, of the General Assembly.

At 10.30 A. M., sale of table and toilet glass, in individual pieces, pairs and lots, began and continued until 12.30 P. M., when an intermission of a half hour was called. From 1 P. M. until 6.30 P. M., the sale continued uninterrupted, frequently with spirited bidding.

About \$18,500 was paid for 360 articles and lots of articles.

Two Beneficiaries

Proceeds from the sale of the real estate and furnishings, which will continue today and tomorrow, will go to the Garrett Hospital Fund and the Uplands Episcopal Home for Church Women.

Members of the boards of the two institutions and executives and trustees of Doctor and Mrs. Jacobs' estates attended the sale.

The majority of the glassware auctioned off was purchased by Mr. and Mrs. Carle A. Jackson, who are building a home in the Green Spring Valley. They sat just under the stage in the ballroom and bid on almost every item.

Among the more spectacular sales during the course of the day was a lot which included thirteen Copeland's spode hand-painted porcelain dessert plates. After persistent bidding, M. S. Shapiro, of Baltimore, bid it in for \$375.

Purchases Dinner Set

Mr. Shapiro also purchased a Copeland's spode green and white porcelain dinner service for \$200, an extraordinary Italian linen tablecloth for \$72.50, and a cutwork linen and lace banquetting cloth for \$200.

The banquetting cloth, which is 7 yards and 24 inches long by 6 yards and 24 inches wide, is oval, and was the second largest linen piece offered.

The largest linen piece offered, 9

yards by 5 yards and 20 inches, and also oval, was purchased at \$225 by L. M. Hendler, of Baltimore. It was described as "Important Linen Cutwork, rose-point and torchon lace—inset with sixteen rose-point roundels exhibiting maidens. Needs slight repair at edge."

Other purchasers of large linen pieces were G. A. Bunting, who bought a Normandy lace tablecloth for \$305, and L. Rosen, who bought a banquetting cloth for \$195.

Surprised By High Bids

J. M. Nicodemus purchased a Limoges decorated porcelain dinner service for \$110, and J. B. Pusey purchased a silver-plated assembled service of flatware, comprising 375 pieces, for \$170.

These were among the higher priced purchases. Most of the items and lots, of which there were 390 sold yesterday, averaged between \$30 and \$40.

Dealers expressed surprise at the high bids as item after item was knocked down for prices which approximated about fifty per cent. of the estimated values. This is regarded as high for home auctions.