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collectors. If you want a good book on HW collecting, buy Bob Parkers book, ISBN: 076430612X which is much better and also available here on [AMAZON.COM](https://www.amazon.com)

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