



OWL FIGURAL LUNCH HOUR BANK

**White Hall Sewerpipe & Stoneware Company,
White Hall, Green County, Illinois.**

7.25" h. cc: 1909

The White Hall Sewerpipe & Stoneware Co. potter/foreman Truman Leroy Smith made a clay slip mold off a small black iron owl bank, to cast this "first" small owl bank figural.

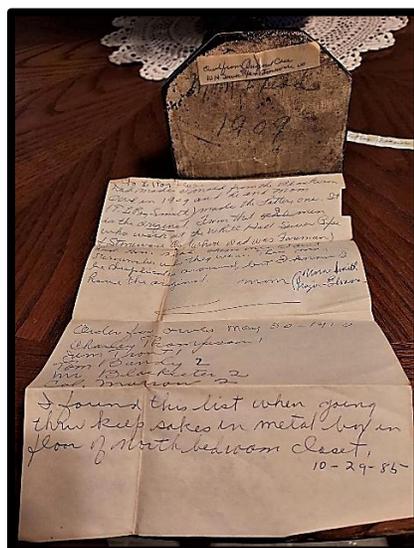
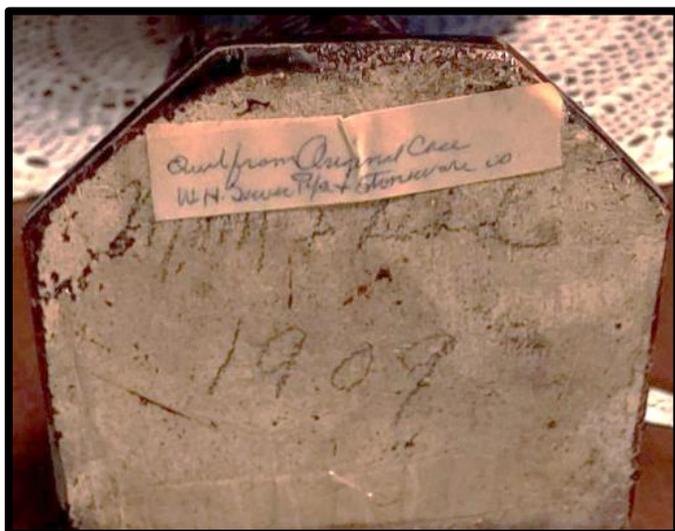
Note the sharp details in the owl's claws, wings and feathers.



Featuring a gold-tan and dark brown mottled applied glaze.



First out mold, Letter of Provenance.



Documentation of owl from original case, dated 1909.

My dad, Truman Leroy Smith, made a mold from a black iron owl in 1909 and he and mom made this pottery owl. It is the original. From that, five men who worked at the White Hall Sewer Pipe & Stoneware Co., where dad was foreman, had them made one. I don't remember who they were. There may be duplicates around, but I know I have the original..... Mom, (Una A. Smith)

Order for owls May 30, 1910

Charlie Thompson	1
Jim Trout	1
Tom Bandy	2
Mr. Blackketter	2
Col. Morrow	2

I found this list when going thru keep sakes in metal box in floor of north bedroom closet, 10-29-85..... Una Smith.

(Una A. Smith. 8 Nov 1910 – 23 Aug 2012)

LETTER OF PROVENANCE

Dual from Original Case
W.H. Sewer Pipe & Stoneware Co

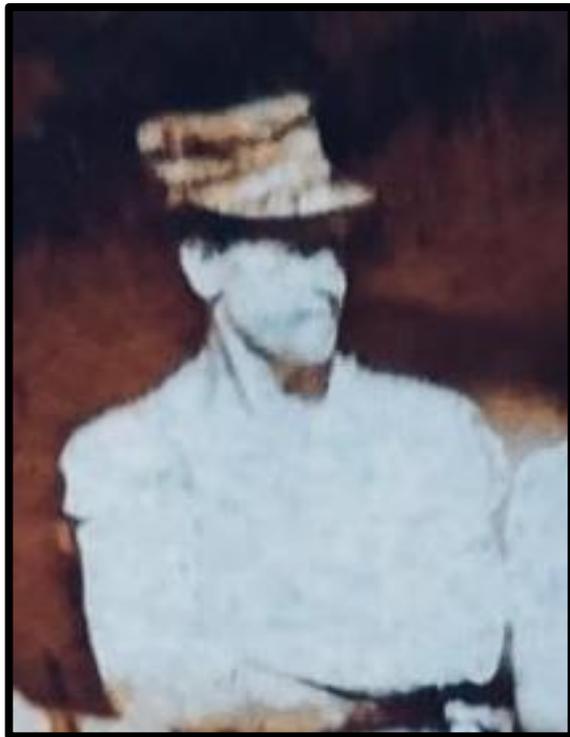
1909

To L.P. & M. J. W. J.
Dad made 2 molds from the Blackston
Dad in 1909 and he and Mom
(T. L. Roy Smith) made the latter one. It
is the original. From that 5-8 men
who work at the White Hall Sewer Pipe
& Stoneware Co. (where Dad was Foreman)
had them make them one. I don't
remember who they were. There may
be duplicates around, but I know I
have the original. Mom (Rena Smith
Fusion - Elmore)

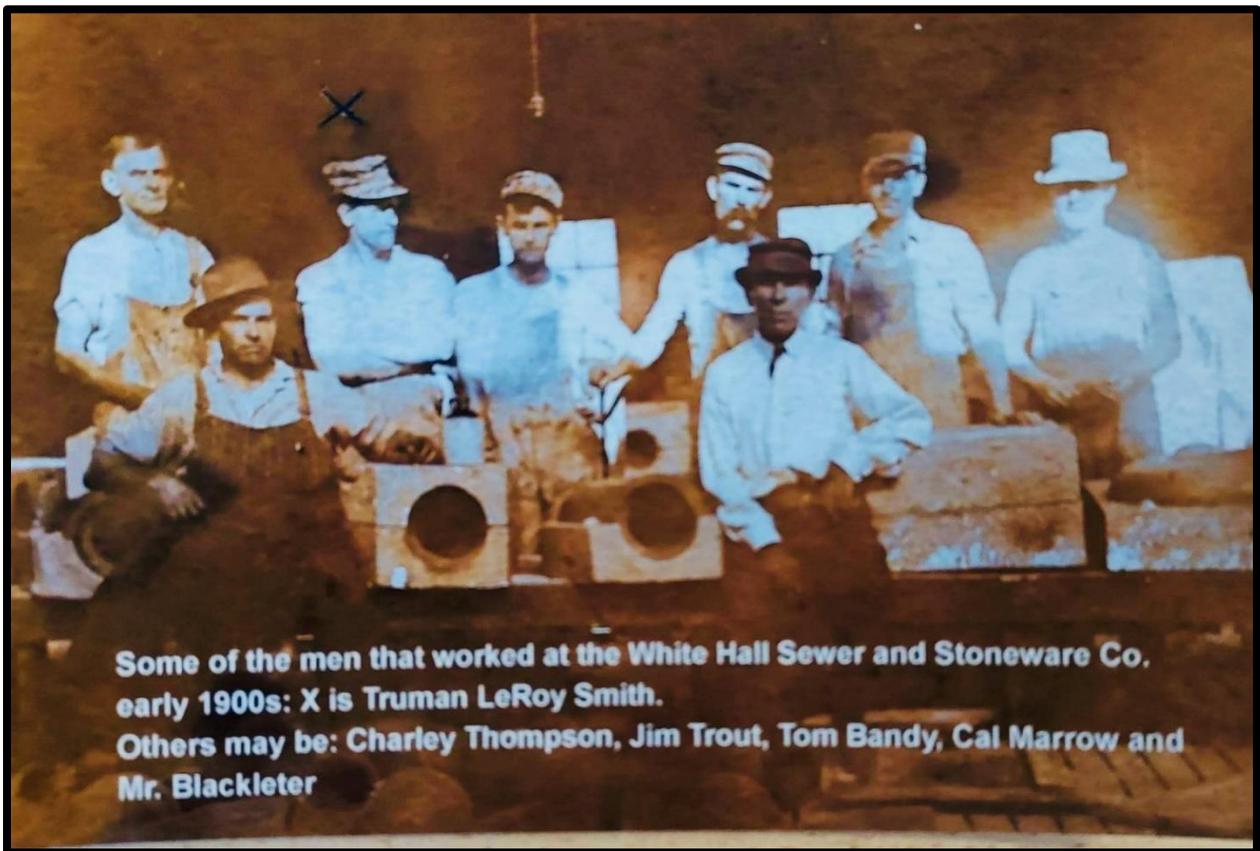
Order for owls May 30 - 1910
Charley Thompson 1
Jim Trout 1
Tom Hardy 2
Mr. Blacketer 2
Cal. Marrow 2

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WHSP&S Company foreman Truman Leroy Smith. cc 1909



Some of the men that worked at the White Hall Sewer and Stoneware Co. early 1900s: X is Truman LeRoy Smith. Others may be: Charley Thompson, Jim Trout, Tom Bandy, Cal Marrow and Mr. Blackleter



Ornate Owl figural wedding presentation gift to “Vena Woolsey,” dated “8-16- 1916.”

Heights range 6’ – 7,” smaller owls are banks.