## Estate auction to offer Bird collection

The lifetime personal collections of George Bird, fine arts curator at the Henry Ford Museum in Dearborn from 1953 to 1977, will be auctioned Saturday-Sunday, April 6-7.

The 660-lot estate auction will be at Schmidt's Antiques, 5138 W. Michigan, Yusilani 148197. Hours are 11 am. Saturday, April 6, and noon Sunday, April 7. Call 1-313-434-2660.

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and a cessories and a responsible and carry 20th century the street words catolog is \$6 post-paid, \$5 at the door. The preview starts Wednesday, April 3.9 a.m. to \$ p.m. Vednesday-Thursday, 9 a.m. to \$ p.m. Priday-Saturday. There's a 10-percent buyers premium on all lots.

Sale proceeds will go to Bird's alma mater, Penn State University, where he earned a bachelor's degree in architecture.

BIRD LEFT his position as cura-



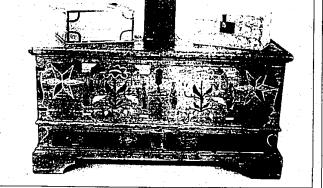
Auction lots will include these Pewabic Pottery pieces: a deer plaque (left), an iridescent vase, an iridescent bowl, an iridescent miniature vase and an iridescent vase.

tor of the Berks County Historical Society in Reading, Pa., to become a research assistant at Henry Ford Museum in 1953.

He soon became curator in the decorative arts and the glass and ceramics fields. He retired as sen-ior curator of decorative arts in 1977, after 24 years of research and curatorial work.

From 1977 until his death late last year, Bird continued to be ac-tive in the glass and ceramics field. His volunteer werk included cu-ratorial work for Meadow Brook Hall in Rocksete fills and board of trustees work for the Jones Museum of Glass in Douglas, Maine.

BIRD LECTURED, taught and



From the Bird estate: (top) an 1854 slide fid storage box, an early 19th century slide lid

wrote about decorative arts throughout his career He grew up in Berks County, home of the Pennsylvania Dutch in

The Singers have recently focused their attention on Russian choral music. The Russian program at Grinnell is strong and involves many students.

the heart of Amish country. His early experiences there inspired his later collections. He was part of the museum

training program at the Philadel-phia Museum of Art and took grad-uate studies at the New York Uni-versity Institute of Fine Art.

Singers perform Grinnell College's mixed 42-member chorus, the Grinnell Singers, will perform in concert at 8 p.m. Friday at the Magnolia United Methodist Churhch, 21853 Northwestern, Southfield,
The chorus, under the direction of

John Stuhr-Rommereim, will present a varied program of works for unaccompanied choir.

Selections will include Benjamin Britten's Hymn to St. Cecilia, move-ments from the pre-revolutionary

Russian composer Alexander Kas-talsky's Vespers and works by Pales-trina, Schuetz, J.S. Bach, Rossini and others

The smaller Grinnell Jazz Choir will also perform

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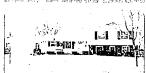
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