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## Miller & Co. Sells Town Crier Shop

## Carl M. Bolles And Arthur D. Kemp Of Buzzards Bay New Owners

One of the largest business transactions to take place this summer was the sale by Miller & Company, Guy R. Miller and his wife, Mildred F. Miller, of the Town Crier Gift Shop, opposite Town Hall, and, perhaps, the largest business of its kind on Cape Cod, to Carl M. Bolles of Buzzards Bay and Arthur D. Kemp of Buzzards Bay and Provincetown who are now conducting the business as partners.

Active manager of the Town Crier Shop will be Mr. Kemp who plans to move his family, consisting of Mrs. Kemp and son, here when Mr. and Mrs. Miller and Guy C. Holliday leave for Fort Meyer, Florida, where they have a large gift shop and other interests and where they plan to remain the year around.

... Town Crier, Frank Andrews outside the old Advocate Gift Shop -- July 1940

Mr. Bolles conducts a large plumbing and heating business under his own name in Buzzards Bay and it is the intention of the partners in the Town Crier Shop to develop a similar business later in Provincetown under their joint names. They will continue to operate the Town Crier Shop under the name of Miller & Company, and they plan to keep the shop open through Christmas and close it then until early spring.

Up to the time he took over the management of his new enterprize, Mr. Kemp was interested and was known in the field of dogs, and edited, in Bridgewater, the "New England Dog" magazine, and he is president of the T. E. L. Kemp Dog Show organization which specializes in the work of putting on dog shows and in providing all necessary equipment and promotional effort for such exhibitions. His father after whom the organization was named was a noted fancier of St. Bernards. Mr. Kemp served five years in the Field Artillery and Tank Destroyer section of the U.S. Army, a year of which was spent in England, France, Germany and Austria. He was discharged from active service as a Lieutenant Colonel.

Under the guidance of Mr. Holliday, Mr. and Mrs. Miller, operating as Miller & Co., the Town Crier Shop, formerly known as The Advocate Shop, has grown from most modest beginnings to the largest business of its kind on the Cape. In 1925 Miller & Co. opened a furniture and household goods store, and, in the following year, added a line of gifts and souvenirs. In 1928 Miller & Company purchased the business founded by Howard F. Hopkins. then owner and publisher of The Provincetown Advocate. Since then the company has operated both shops and each season has seen a marked expansion in their business which also extends into the whole-

Mr. Holliday and the Millers plan to devote their entire attention to their shop in Fort Meyers where the former also has other interests





GLIMPSE OF HARBOR, FROM HOLLYHOCK LANE, PROVINCETOWN, MASS

Was opposite Town Hall - Now gone

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