

GOTTA LOVE THESE FACTS

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Collectors have long agreed certain cookie jars were McCoy although they didn't show up in catalogs. Some didn't make it to mass production and some were made for Contract Customers.

The following cookie jars do show up on a set of McCoy Pottery Company Inventory sheets dated September 22, 1961.

- 194 Spice Chest Cookie jar
- 195 Oak Leaf Cookie Jar
- 196 Spaceman cookie jar

The Spice Chest and Oak Leaf jars were once considered to be American Bisque due to their being "corner" style jars and American Bisque had done corner jars. All three of these jars are also shown on a Great Northern Products promotional sheet. All three of them are marked USA.



The #28 Cylinder was a popular shape offered in various colors and decorations. In this case, they each have an animal lid. Quite a puzzle when they first began surfacing. It was noted the details and colors of the lids were similar to the square basketweave cookie jar line tops. The Puppies, (Dog), Kitten and Lamb are all on the inventory sheets.



28-S Dogs on Cylinder
28-S Kitten on Cylinder
28-S Lamb on Cylinder

The next three cookie jars were not assigned numbers but are documented on the 1961 Inventory.

Jack Horner (Right) – Illusive but known to exist



Choir Boys – (misspelled on Inventory – Chior)

Also known as **Sweet Notes**.

This was also considered to be an American Bisque Jar at one time. The coloring matches the McCoy Grandfather Clock and the Fireplace Cookie Jars.



Elf – I personally do not know of a complete jar. However, there should be some out there! Photo (left) is of the lid!

C-28 Striped McCoy Cookie jar –

Cylinder style Jar with yellow and green stripes. This Cookie Jar is listed on a sheet of items noted for Great Northern in 1961. We were confused about these jars when they first surfaced. Not only were the colors different from McCoy Glaze colors typically used but the grainy texture of the finish was different. Great Northern Products was an important customer of McCoy Pottery. These jars sold for 14.40 per dozen.



A 1956 listing of McCoy Products shows two additional cookie jars designated for the customer Great Northern Products.

#97 Stage Coach

The quoted price was \$16.80 per dozen

#132 Humpty Dumpty

NO KNOWN PHOTO

The price on this was also \$16.80 per dozen

Harold Nichols wrote in his *McCoy Cookie Jars Book - From the First to the Latest*, that he did not believe Humpty Dumpty was ever produced, even as a sample.

Note; both of the above Jars were packed 1/2 dozen to a Master Carton. Sadly, on a “LIST TO BE DISCONTINUED FROM THE 1956 CATALOG”, the Stage Coach and the Humpty Dumpty cookie jars were listed.



#212 Turtle Cookie jar with hand decoration was shown on a 1964 listing of “New Cookie Jars”. It measures 10” x 7” and was priced at a bargain price of \$13.20 per dozen.

The same listing of “New Cookie Jars” (1964) had three examples of the Flower Pot with Plastic Flowers cookie jar, same bottom, different flowers. These were listed at 13.20 per dozen.

Nichols had dated the Flower Pot in the 1950’s and given it the number 35 since records were not available at the time, he published his book.

McCoy family members made great fun of these plastic flowers thinking they were tacky.

216H Flower pot cookie jar with permanent Hydrangea	9x13
216D Flower pot cookie jar with permanent Dahlia	9x13
216A Flower pot cookie jar with permanent Apple Blossom	9x13



Another special sheet has another item of interest:

#219 Puppy Basket Cookie Jar

It measures 8 x 11-1/2 inches

It sold for 15.00 per dozen.

I believe this is the Jar on the sheet.



Yet another Great Northern sheet lists a #152 Kitten Cookie Jar.

Price Quoted was 11.40 per dozen

The sketch to the left is from a sheet of Cope Sketches? Could this be the One from the List?

Quite a few of the Cookie Jars that were contract jobs were simply marked USA. Even though we know in our hearts these items are McCoy, I'm glad to be able to share a few facts I was able to put together.