UNIVERSITY OF NORTH DAKOTA POTTERY: The Cable Years

University of North Dakota Pottery: The Cable Years second edition, by Donald Miller, is a composite of the first edition, an expanded pottery identification system section, and all new colored photographs. The publication celebrates the golden anniversary of Margaret Kelly Cable retirement in May of 1949.

The Cable years are important in the history of the University of North Dakota and in the history of American art pottery. This book includes sections dealing with the History of the School of Mines; Clays; Presentation pottery made for special individuals such as Queen Marie of Rumania, Governor A. G. Sorlie, and President John F. Kennedy; Sales; the distinctive Seal that marked pottery made in the Ceramics Department from 1913 to 1963; Prairie Pottery; the Astor Medal; Dickota, Rosemeade and WPA pottery. In addition there are biographical sketches of the staff: Margaret Kelly Cable, Julia Mattson, Flora Cable Huckfield, Freida Hammers, Hildegarde Fried, Margaret Pachl and William McKenney. Appendix I and IV contain descriptions and illustrations of initials, symbols and marks which help identify the School of Mines pottery. Appendix II is a greatly expanded and easy to read guide of the numbering system used from 1918-1938. Appendix III is a time line which outlines major events, people, and other potteries in North Dakota. Appendix V is an annotated evaluation of all the Ceramics Department’s archival records and will provide additional assistance when identifying UND pottery. Appendix VI is a complete list of over 1800 student names and initials that took ceramics from 1910 through 1955. The appendix is a very useful tool when identifying School of Mines Pottery.

The book has sixteen pages of colored photographs, (over 75 pieces identified and labeled-most are new) and numerous black and white photographs depicting the life in the School of Mines, Ceramics Department. The illustrations show pottery from the UND Collection and from private collections starting with 1904.

UND pottery made during the Cable years is unique in clay, glaze, design, labeling, and is highly collectible today.

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