Hindman conducts Covington estate sale Friday and Saturday

he English country estate at 3000 Mellody Rd., Mettawa, just west of Lake Forest, will be the site of a tag sale Friday and Saturday, conducted by Leslie Hindman Auctioneers. Hindman is handling the sale of the estate of William and Elizabeth Covington, who built the 28-room house as newlyweds in 1927. The home was constructed on eight acres given to them by Elizabeth's father, Charles Hosmer Morse, a leading Chicago social figure and president of the Chicago-based manufacturing company, Fairbanks, Morse & Co.

While William Covington was busy

as an executive in his father-in-law's business, Elizabeth was making a name for herself as a civic leader, serving as president of the women's board of both the Chicago Symphony Orchestra and St. Luke's Hospital.

The Covingtons traveled widely during their 61 years of marriage. Throughout their excursions, they developed a sense of style and love of quality works of art, furniture and decorations. During the 60 years they lived in their home, they acquired a handsome collection of furniture and decorative artifacts including Continental, Georgian style and Jacobean style chairs, end tables and side tables, breakfronts, chests of drawers, beds, consoles, benches and more — much of which will be available for purchase during this two-day house sale.

Also available for purchase will be a selection of English and Continental porcelain such as Meissen, Dresden and Spode, Oriental porcélain, paintings, mirrors, silver and silver plate, pewter, books, patio furniture, linens, vintage and contemporary toys, dolls, children's furniture, Christmas decorations, kitchen and garden equipment and other household effects. Highlights of the sale include a 18th century French tapestry, a 1965 Mercedes. Sedan, a Sevres-style gilt bronze clock garniture and an Old Paris porcelain dinner service.

The sale will be conducted from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Friday and Saturday. All buyers will be responsible for packing and removal of their purchases. Accepted forms of payment include cash, certified check, money order or personal check, if a credit information form is filed at Leslie Hindman Auctioneers.

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