



**\$1 Million Bottle:** This early Chinese bottle, one of only four known in the world, was bought for \$1,008,000 at a recent auction in London. The bottle — made during the Ming dynasty, between 1403 and 1424 — has a globular body, a slightly-flared neck and is decorated with a single, blue dragon on a white background (photo left). The auctioneer (photo below) accepted the winning bid for the 16 $\frac{3}{4}$ -inch bottle from a London dealer.

