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WILLIAM B. MEYER MOVES A "PAIGE" OF HISTORY
For The MARK TWAIN HOUSE

The Rigging and Industrial Services Division of William B. Meyer, Inc., of Stratford, CT will use kid gloves to move the Paige Compositor for the Mark Twain House today. The Paige Compositor is the only one of its kind in the world. It weighs 7,550 pounds and has over 18,000 movable parts. This historic and delicate piece will be moved from the basement of the Mark Twain House in Hartford, CT to its new home in the new museum, only 300 yards away. Walls will be removed for access, platforms built and specialized equipment will be utilized in the relocation process. A great effort will be taken to insure the safekeeping of each square inch of this priceless treasure. After all, this Paige Compositor was the investment that led to Mark Twain's ultimate bankruptcy.

With over 88 years in the business, William B. Meyer, Inc. has the management, operational support and field expertise to insure a successful rigging project such as this. Experience, planning and performance are the keynotes of their unsurpassed reputation. Their customers range from government defense contractors to the large international high-tech manufacturing companies to historical museums. Whether it is dismantling, transporting, and installing a company's operation or moving a meaningful piece of history, their experienced staff and highly skilled labor force enables them to perform the task in a smooth and professional manner. An important strength at William B. Meyer, Inc. is the talented diversification of its workforce.

"Our knowledge in a wide range of technical applications and logistical support enables us to customize our approach to those projects requiring innovative solutions. This knowledge and expertise is the foundation for the safe and effective planning of any project. The diversity of talents of our highly experienced staff was utilized in formulating the best methodology for the move of the Paige Compositor. We feel we can now execute a safe and efficient procedure in moving a piece of such historical significance. Often, the Rigging Contracting business is thought of only in terms of heavy manufacturing or production machinery relocations and erections. It is rewarding on another level, to apply these skills in the delicate process of handling a bit of American history." states John Taft, Vice President and General Manager, William B. Meyer, Inc., Rigging and Industrial Services Division.

The Paige Compositor relocation is only one of many instances over the past years that William B. Meyer has been called upon to take painstaking measures to move pieces of major historical importance.