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This catalog contains some of the most historically important items from WW II that has ever come onto the market anywhere- worldwide. Yamashita's presentation sword signed not only by the sword maker who made it, but also with a patriotic engraved presentation from the very Emperor of Japan urging him to destroy MacArthur's Allied Forces in the Pacific/Philippines. And Sherman Tanks that won the war, these 1st Model Sherman's are irreplaceable in this kind of original condition with painted tank division markings, they have been spared by time untouched and unrestored as a testament to their decisive factor during the war. And D- Day - nothing can compare in rarity and historical importance to the Sherman Duplex Propeller Driven Tank excavated from the bottom of the ocean off Omaha Beach in Normandy, France. Sunk during the most important invasion in mankind's history on D-Day June 6th, 1944 it is truly a historical time capsule of the bravery and a testament to the risk Eisenhower was willing to risk taking Europe back from Hitler. A 30-ton tank in Open Ocean with propellers and an inflatable raft in the 1st amphibious tank assault in history, risky indeed and this tank is one of the 27 that did not make it, only 2 were able to float ashore on Omaha Beach and attack the enemy. A gamble but D - Day was a gamble unto itself, of all the relic's of D - Day and Military History this Tank and it's excavated relics are not only unique but document a moment when brave men made dramatic decisions in order to win the War and Free Europe!

Uniforms - Medals - Flags - Battlefield Captures, this catalog has it all, with more important 'Icons' than ever offered before in the history of collecting. Thank you for your continued interest.

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Sherman M4 A1 Tank - American Military Icon

The M4 Sherman, formally Medium Tank M4, was the primary tank used by the United States Army during World War II. In England, the M4 tank was given the name Sherman after Union General William Tecumseh Sherman - following the British practice of naming their American-built tanks after famous American Civil War Generals. The Shermans could hold their own against Rommel's light weight Panzer tanks in North Africa; however they were out gunned by the new German Tiger Tanks in Europe, with the US tanks defeating them only by sheer numbers attacking Tigers enmasse. Weighing 66,000 pounds with a range of just 100 miles, they were left open to attack by ground forces. The Sherman Tank's 5 man crew consisted of a Commander, gunner,



loader, driver & co-driver. The primary gun was a 75mm cannon of which they could carry 90 rounds. The US Army sold most of their Shermans after the Korean War and replaced them with Pattons.

Subsequently, many nations bought them as war surplus and continued to use the Sherman tank in both training and combat roles into the late 20th century.

Sherman Tank from Omaha Beach - D-Day Allied Invasion of Europe and the beginning of the End for Hitler's Third Reich.

From the most Famous Battle of World War II, this is one of 27 Sherman Tanks sunk off Omaha Beach on D-Day, Normandy, France June 6th, 1944. These Tanks would have immediately turned the tide of battle had they all made it ashore – yet only 2 made it during the largest invasion in Military History of the World.

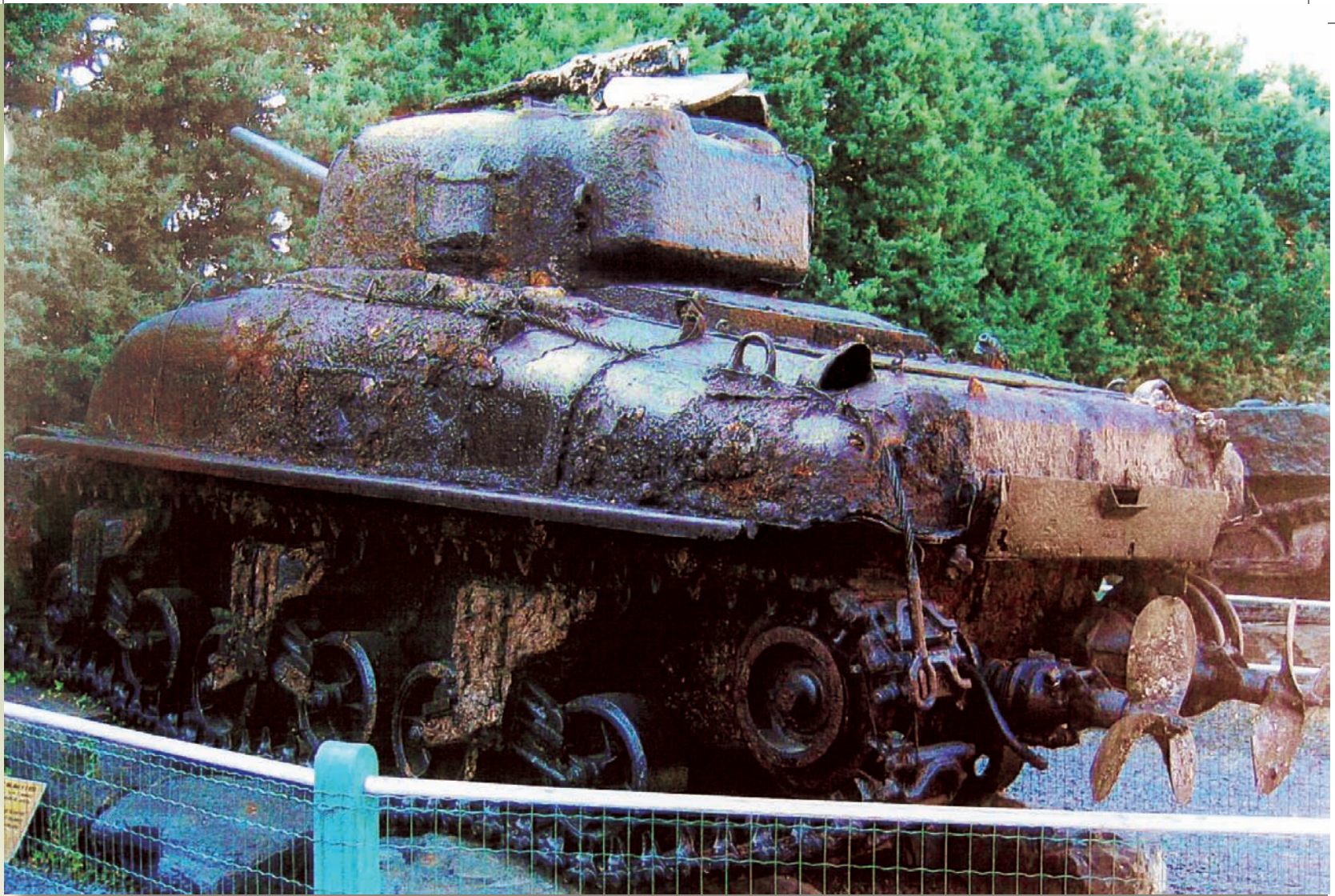




Lot 1

The Entire Contents of a D-Day Sherman Tank sunk off Omaha Beach on June 6th, 1944

A Time-Capsule of that immortal day in History. A US Army helmet with shrapnel hole, a rusted solid and fully encrusted Thompson .45 cal. Submachine gun, US Army Tankers goggles, empty 75mm canon shell casing's, and even a rusted tube of Williams Shaving cream. These US Army tankers had planned to survive and break thru the Nazi lines and had every thing they needed onboard their Sherman Duplex Drive Tanks to subsist for several days of battle. (10 items). Provenance: Overlord Research recovered in 1970 under water by contract with French Government to remove the sunken vessels to clear the waterway along the D- Day Beach heads.**\$33,500 (plus shipping)**



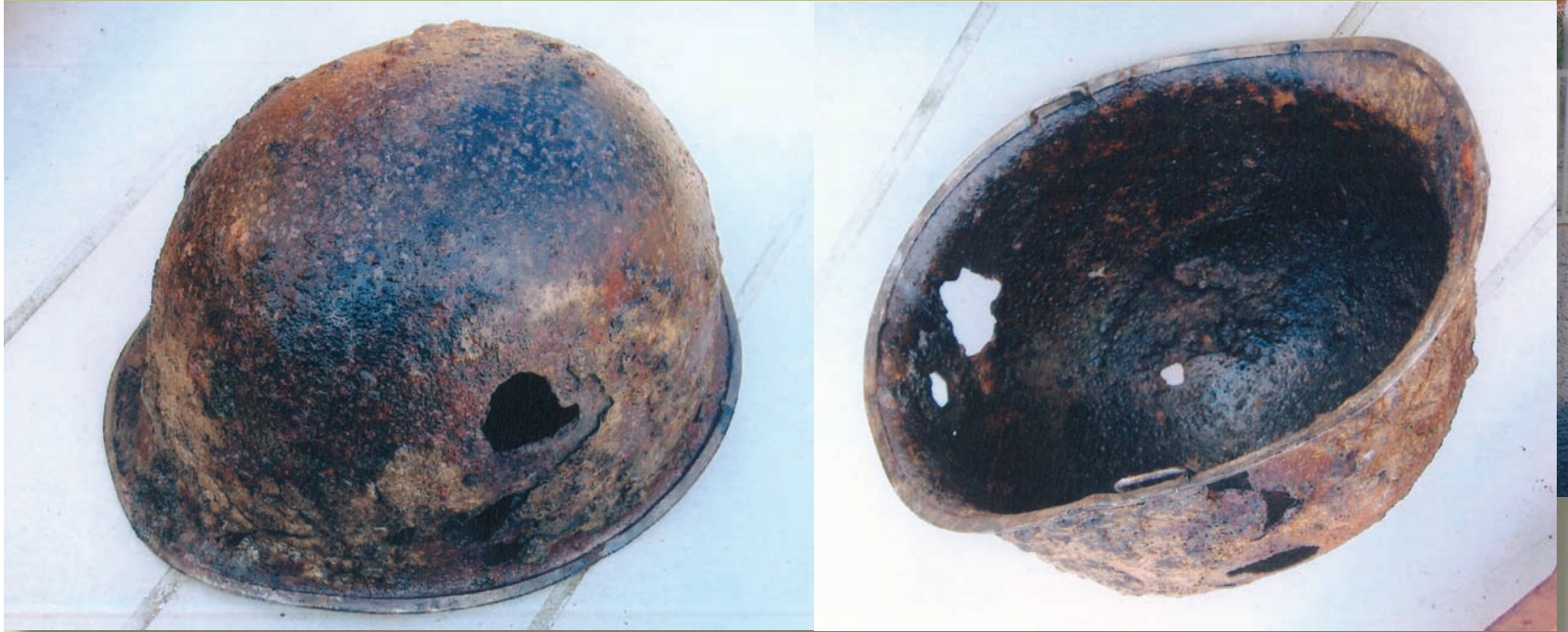
Sherman Tank from Omaha Beach - D-Day Allied Invasion of Europe and the beginning of the End for Hitler's Third Reich.



Lot 2

Discovered underwater just off Omaha Beach, this ultra rare Duplex Drive Sherman Tank still has its 75mm canon intact, its .45 cal machine guns still rusted in place, US Tanker's helmets inside along with tanker goggles, ammo, fuel tanks. A "Virtual Time Capsule of D-Day" launched offshore by the 741st Armoured Battalion, they were designed with propellers to float to shore. High waves sunk 27 of them, this is the only one in existence and the only one in America! But, 2 of them were skippered by men with sailing experience and they made it ashore and blasted a hole in the Nazi defenses. If all 29 had made it the battle of Omaha Beach would have been won by Allied Forces quickly – the bravery and valor of the men that launched these tanks in open seas is a testament to the Courage and Determination of the men and women of the United States Army.

This is absolutely the most Important WW II weapon to ever come on the market, accompanied by hundreds of relics recovered with and inside it, under water for over 60 years the guns are rusted out and thus demilled. It comes with full documentation and paperwork; only the Greatest Collector or Museum in America will own this "Icon". **\$485,000 (plus shipping)**



Lot 3

US Army Helmet found inside Sherman tank sunk off of Omaha beach on D – Day June 6, 1944

A very historic “ Icon” US Army helmet completely encrusted, yet preserved after it was discovered underwater inside a Sherman tank that had been sunk during the Allied Invasion on D – Day in 1944. Provenance: Overlord Research recovered in 1970 under water by contract with French Government to remove the sunken vessels to clear the waterway along the D – Day Beach heads. **\$12,500 (plus shipping)**



Lot 4

Thompson .45 ca Machine Gun found inside a Sherman Tank sunk off Omaha Beach on D-Day June 6th, 1944

A very historic weapon being a US Army Tankers hand held Thompson .45 ca sub-machine gun (grease gun) that was inside his tank when it sunk during the invasion on D- Day June 6th, 1944. The barrel is completely rusted and encrusted thus de milled, but what a showpiece for a D-Day gun that was there. Provenance: Overlord Research recovered in 1970 under water by contract with French Government to remove the sunken vessels to clear the waterway along the D- Day Beach heads.

\$12,500 (plus shipping)



Lot 5

ULTRA-RARE “Gun Turret & 75mm Barrel” from a Sherman “Duplex” Tank at Omaha Beach, France 1944

This remarkably rare Sherman M4 A1 Duplex Drive “Gun Turret & Barrel” is the only example known to exist in private hands. It is completely intact just as it was when it’s Sherman Tank sunk in high waves off Omaha Beach, on June 6, 1944 during the allied D-Day invasion of Europe. Although encrusted from being on the ocean floor for 30 years, the 75 mm gun barrel is intact although the breech is rusted shut thus de milled, the entire gun turret and canon are very exhibitable and it is the Ultimate Museum display of D-Day when the largest amphibious invasion in mankind’s history turned the tide of World War II, and France was taken back from the Nazi’s. Soon the rest of Europe would be Liberated and Hitler’s stranglehold on the European people came to an end within a year of this immortal day. Provenance: Overlord Research recovered in 1970 under water by contract with French Government to remove the sunken vessels to clear the waterway along the D- Day Beach heads. Wt. 10,000 lbs..... **\$95,000 (plus shipping)**



Lot 6

“Propeller” from a M4 A1 Duplex Drive Sherman Tank, sunk off Omaha Beach during the D- Day Invasion June 6th, 1944

This extremely rare Sherman Duplex Drive “Tank Propeller”, is a unique and historical survivor from Omaha Beach, sunk during the D-Day Invasion, when US Army Sherman Tanks attempted to motor ashore using these huge propellers and inflatable rafts to make the 1st Tank Amphibious assault in military history. Sherman Tanks weigh in excess of 30 tons, plus they were carrying ammunition and a tank crew of five men. Only two Sherman’s made it ashore- the battle would have been shortened had all twenty-seven of these Sherman Duplex Drive Tanks made it to the beach and opened fire with their 75 mm canons. It was a dangerous experiment but one which Eisenhower and Patton were willing to take during the desperate Allied invasion of Europe on D-Day in 1944. Provenance: Overlord Research recovered in 1970 under water by contract with French Government to remove the sunken vessels to clear the waterway along the D- Day Beach heads. Wt. 600 lbs..... **\$14,500 (plus shipping)**





Lot 7

Sherman M4 A3 Tank Rebuilt by Chrysler in March 1945 as a Flamethrower

The 1st Sherman Tank rebuilt by Chrysler, at Evansville, Indiana in March 1945 as a Flamethrower to be used against the Japanese Army in the Pacific. This rare 1st Model Sherman retains its original fading, peeling paint and all completely original WWII markings of the US Army "Stars" and the "Chrysler rebuild" markings from the Evansville (Indiana) plant, where it was converted for use as a Flamethrower with napalm tanks and false barrel. The Marines called them "Zippo" tanks after the popular Zippo cigarette lighters. It was equipped with a Navy Mark I flamethrower and became the most valuable weapon in the battle for Iwo Jima. Using napalm-thickened fuel, these Shermans could spew flame up to 150 yards for over a minute and were the most feared weapon by the Japanese Army.



This Sherman 1st Model conversion flamethrower/tank is also one of those tanks used by the 20th Armored Division to train Tank Crews for combat at Camp Campbell, Kentucky in 1944 - 1945. The 20th had orders to be re-deployed half way around the world from Germany after surrender to Japan. The Atomic bomb brought a speedy end to the war in the Pacific and the complete surrender of Japan, which finally ended this World War; however the 20th were in training in Kentucky using this very flamethrower/tank for their upcoming combat duty in Japan.



A non-running, non-firing tank, untouched by time and a true relic of World War II, this tank is also perfect for a static display in a private collection or any museum. It is another "Icon" of the US Army and of the War itself, still with its originality, being left untouched since WWII. The original transmission is intact and still has the napalm canister shelves & straps. The engine and the gun assembly, barrels/mantlet were removed to reuse the special "tube" steel in 1953, after being declared and then sold as surplus by the army. It has never been offered for sale or on the market before, and is accompanied by a 3 inch naval, 50 mm, 8ft demilled barrel that can be utilized as a non-firing static display. This is one of only a few known to exist. Flamethrower Sherman tanks were used on Iwo Jima and on Okinawa. **\$95,000 (plus shipping)**



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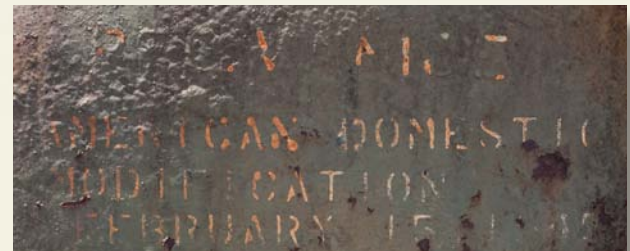
Lot 8

Completely Original 1942 1st Model Sherman M4 A1 Tank with Original 20th Armored Divisional "20^20" markings.....They Liberated the Dachau Concentration Camp and Slave Labor Camp at the Messersmidt Jet Aircraft Factory, April 1945.

The 1st Sherman Tank, built in 1942, retains its original fading, peeling paint and all completely original WWII markings of the 20th Armored Division, US Army "Stars" and "LTD rebuild" markings from the Lima Tank Depot (Ohio), where the present day M1 Abrahams tanks are currently being built. This tank may have been used in combat against Rommel in North Africa, as a number of these early A1s were there in 1942 - 1943, then shipped back to the US and rebuilt for training units in preparation for overseas combat deployment. This tank is one of those tanks, used by the 20th Armored Division to train Tank Crews for combat at Camp Campbell, Kentucky in 1944.

The 20th Armored Division was deployed to Germany in February of 1945 as part of the 7th Army invasion force. They were there when the concentration camps were discovered and led an active role in Liberating the camps, including the Dachau and the slave labor camp at the Messersmidt Jet Aircraft Factory, where the 1st Jet Fighter was developed and being built in underground bunkers.

A non-running & non-firing tank, but untouched by time and a true relic of World War II, perfect for a static display in a private collection or any museum, for that matter. Although it could be completely rebuilt, yet with its originality being left untouched since WWII, it stands as "Icon" of the US Army and of the War itself. It has its original steel chevron track and the transmission is intact. After being declared surplus in 1953, the engine was removed and the gun assembly, barrel/mantlet was removed to reuse the special "tube" steel. This tank was sold as surplus by the army and it has never been offered for sale or on the market before. It is accompanied by a 3 inch naval, 50mm, 8ft demilled barrel that can be utilized as a non-firing static display. **\$125,000 (plus shipping)**



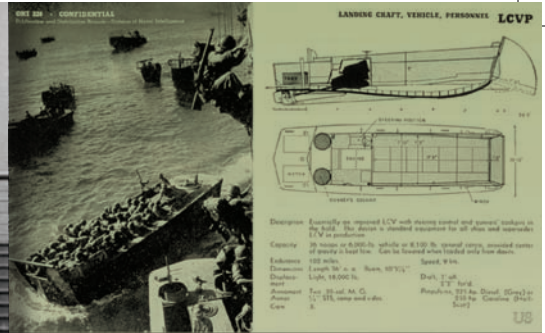
The 155mm Howitzer Cannon, ca. 1917



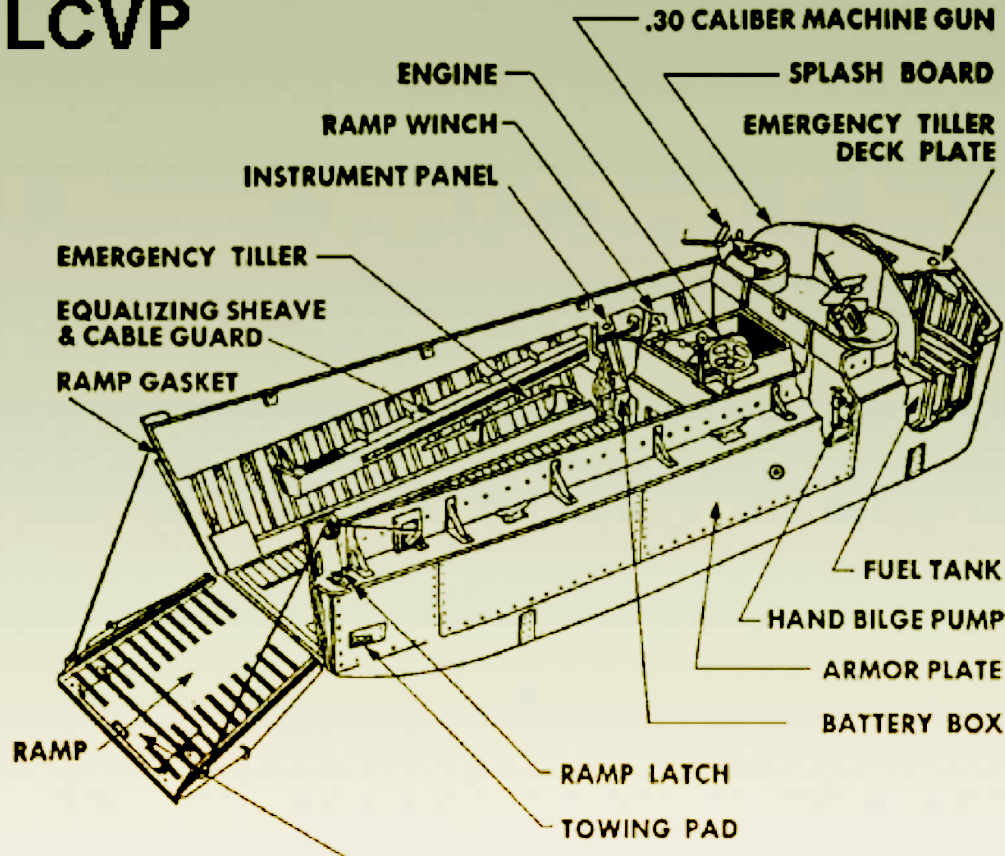
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Model 1917-A1 American Field Howitzer on steel French carriage, ca. 1917. The 155mm Field Howitzer was originally designed and built by Schneider, Paris and was the principal heavy Howitzer being used by the French and Allied Forces during WWI. Due to a shortage of American medium and heavy artillery cannons, large numbers of these cannons were purchased from the French Government. Capable of firing a 95-pound shell a distance of 12,000 yards at three rounds per minute, the cannon itself proved to be an effective battlefield weapon. The American Expeditionary Army in Europe quickly adopted the design and manufactured it in the USA as M1917A1. Used extensively during the early days of combat in WWII by both the US Army as well as the Marines, it was replaced by the US M1 Howitzer in 1942.

“Calamity Jane”, a US 11th Field Artillery 155mm Howitzer, is credited with firing the last shot of the war at 10:59 a.m., November 11, 1918. The 85 inch barrel is extensively demilled with cut outs. American made on a French carriage, but with rubber tires, this Howitzer is very rare as only a few American models are known to still exist. Weight 7300 lbs.**\$35,000 (plus shipping)**



LCVP



Lot 10

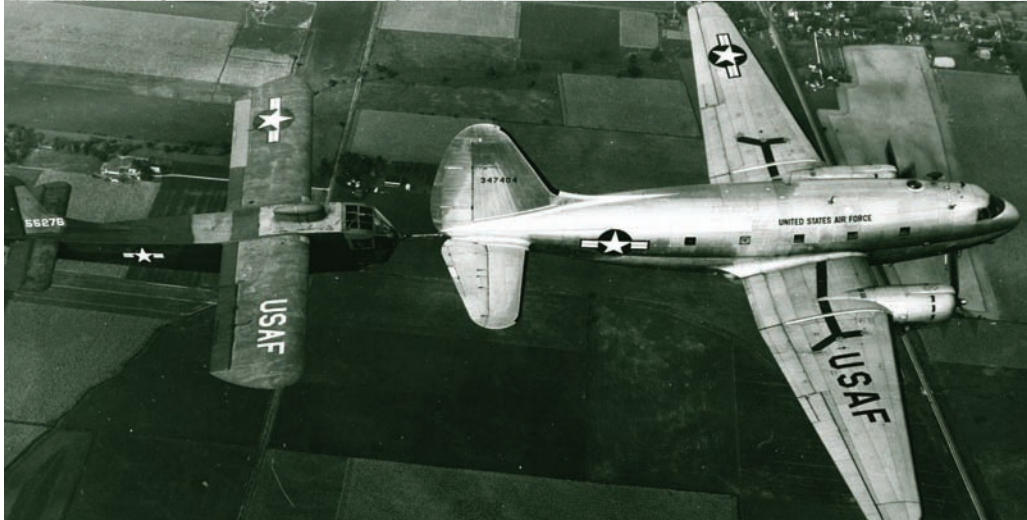
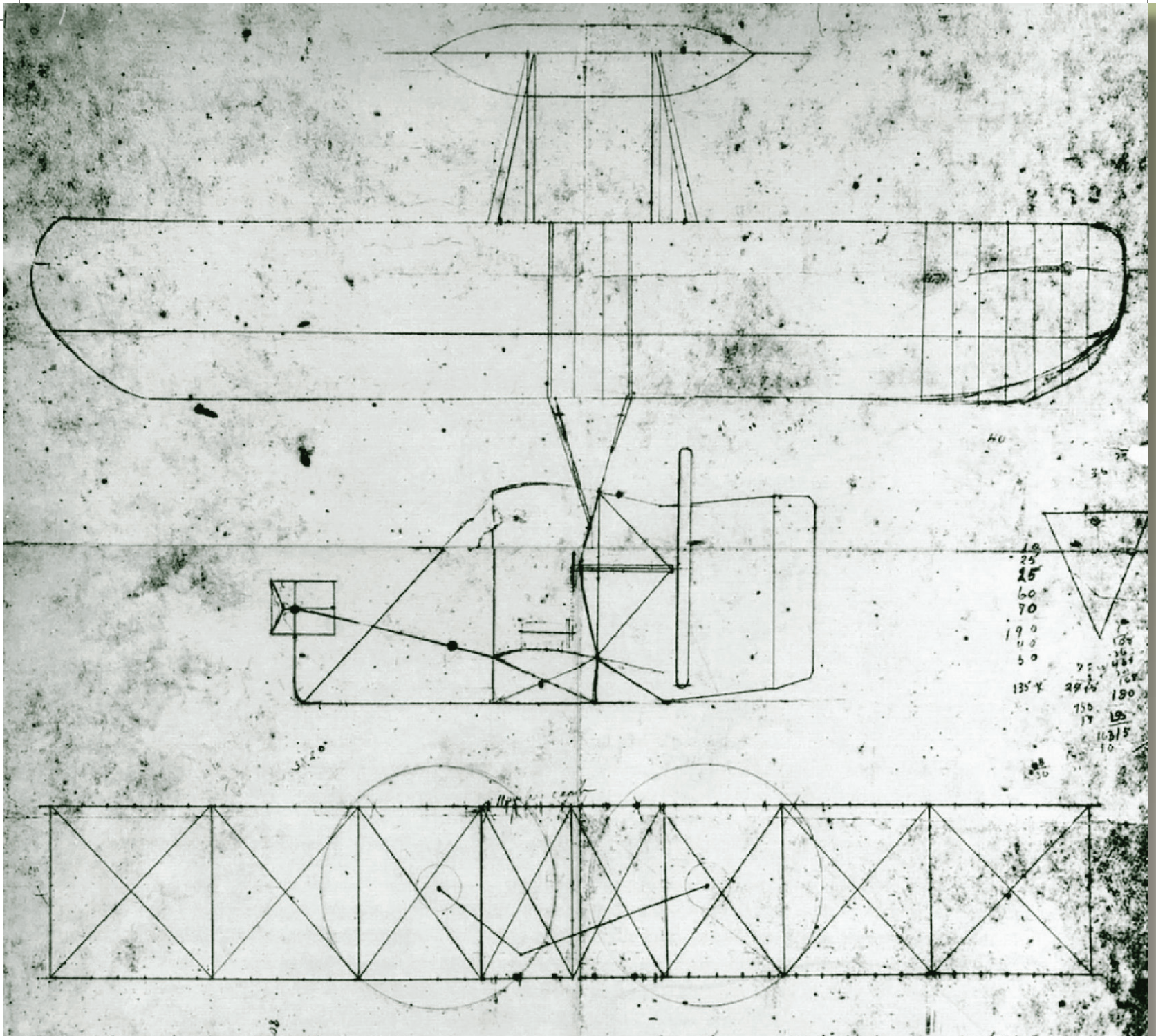
D-Day Higgins Boat LCVP Landing Craft – US Navy 1941-1945

The LCVP was used at Normandy (D-Day Invasion), Iwo Jima, Guadalcanal and Tarawa. It could carry 36 fully armed men and their equipment or 12 men and a jeep, and could also transport a 3 ton truck or 8,100 pounds of supplies. Without the Higgins boat there could not have been a mass landing of troops and material on the European shores/ Normandy Beach or on the beaches of the Pacific Islands. It was called “the boat that won the War.” Over 20,000 LCVPs were built during World War II and besides this one, there are only four other World War II LCVP boats known to still exist. Three are in the United States and one is in Europe. They were constructed of wood, the ramp door was metal and the sides of the craft had armor plating on each side that started just above the water line.

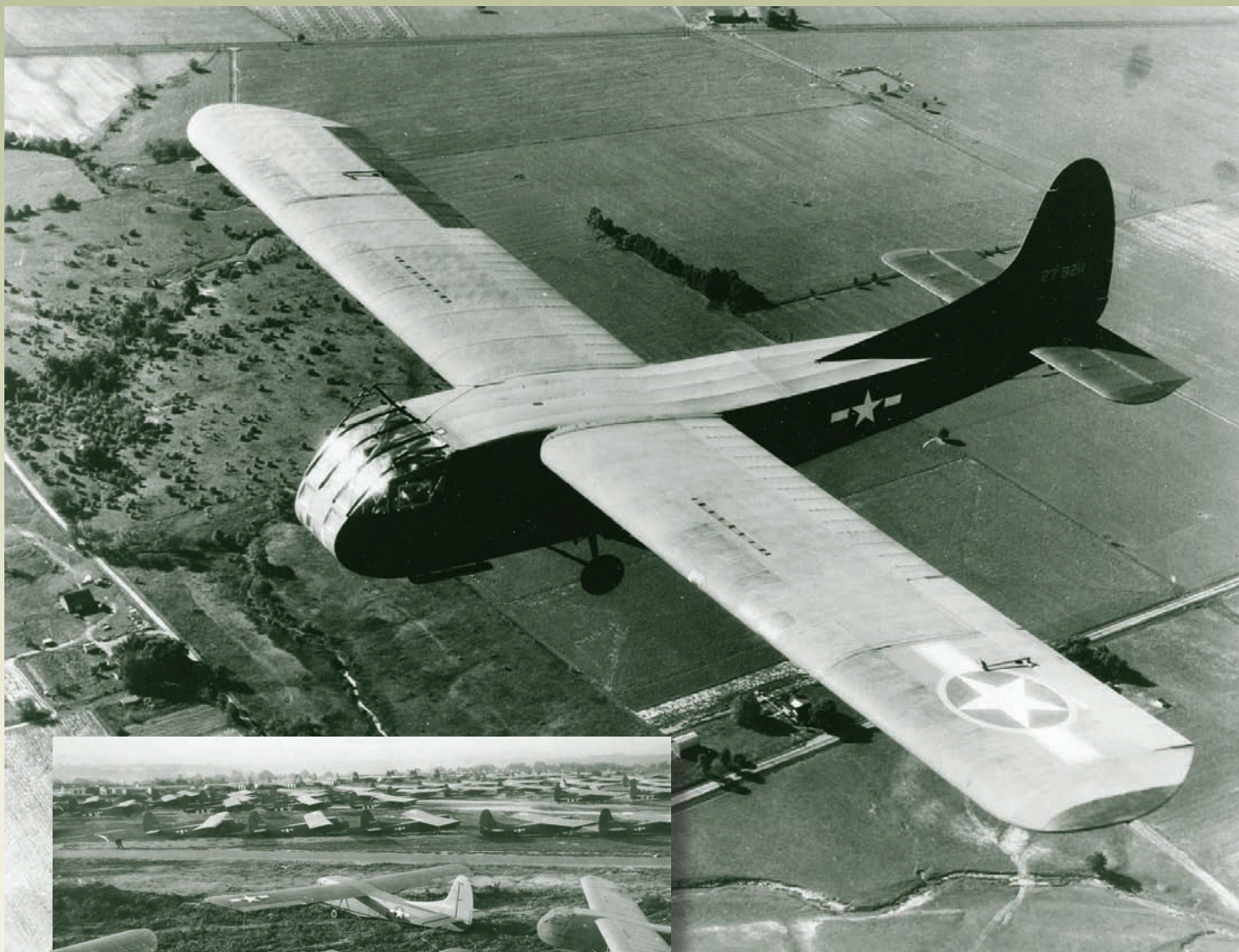
This LCVP has been stored in the Midwest upside down, resting on its top with the hull facing up for over 45 years, thus preserving the landing craft. The bottom of the boat shows wear, but can be sanded down and painted after the seams are filled. Most of the boat’s sides have been preserved by the thick armor plating. The rudder and metal brackets are still attached. The inside of the boat is in excellent condition, still showing the original grey paint. The plywood floor, tiller deck, splash board, gunners’ cockpits and steering room can be replaced. The steel ramp door is still attached to the boat and is in excellent condition. The 225 hp diesel engine has been stored for shipping and retains much of its original grey paint and the original prop, shaft and some controls are on a pallet stored next to the engine. There are six armor plates still attached to each side that are also in excellent condition. The boat is 36 feet long and 10 feet wide.

This is the early design with the armor plating attached to the wood sides so there is no doubt that it was used in combat during one of the major beach invasions. Andrew Higgins built the boats in Louisiana via US Navy contract. General Dwight D. Eisenhower stated: “Andrew Higgins won the war for us....if Higgins had not designed and built those LCVPs we could have never landed in an open beach. The whole strategy of war would have been different.” These boats are so rare that the D-Day Museum in New Orleans had to make a replica from original drawings. Weight 18,000 lbs., 36 feet long 11 feet wide, with original 225 hp engine, it is ready for restoration and exhibit. (Note: my uncle Dwight Cole commanded one of these on D-Day and made a dozen runs, unloading troops on Normandy beach)

\$85,000 (plus shipping)



The Waco Invasion CG-15 Glider built by Ford Motor Company



Lot 11

During World War II, Americans produced the most formidable glider force in the world. More Waco CG-15 gliders were built at the Ford Motor Company plant in Kingsford, Michigan than anywhere else in North America. A total of 427 CG-15s were manufactured during the war. These gliders were indispensable in the Pacific. The outside appearance of the CG-15 gave an illusion of simple construction, but the final production models actually contained just over 70,000 parts.

The CG-15 glider's wingspan was 62 feet 2 inches and its overall length was 48 feet 10 inches. The floor was made of honeycombed plywood, a construction technique that provided strength with minimal weight. The load-bearing capacity of the floor enabled the glider to carry 4,035 pounds; which was 35 more pounds than the glider's own empty weight. The entire nose section (including the pilot's compartment) swung upward creating a 70 x 60 inch opening into its cargo compartment. This made it possible to quickly load and unload the glider. Types of cargo were fighting men, a jeep with radio equipment and driver, radio and operator plus one other soldier, two soldiers and a jeep trailer loaded with combat supplies, a 75mm pack howitzer with 25 rounds of ammunition and two artillerymen or a small bulldozer and its operator. The CG-15 could be towed at a maximum safe speed of 180 miles per hour with a gross weight load of 8,035 pounds. It was often towed at a slower speed of 110 to 130 m.p.h. The gliders were usually towed behind a C-47 tow plane on a 300 foot nylon rope, 1" in diameter. Two-way radio systems allowed communication between the gliders and their tugs. This glider has "No Wings" as it was crash landed - we only have the cockpit and fuselage which is 48 feet long. M **\$28,500 (plus shipping)**



Lot 12

P-51 Mustang Fighter Aircraft

P-51 Mustang fighter aircraft full-size reproduction with some original World War II parts including cockpit canopy and painted with invasion stripes. The plane is set up on a 20 foot tall pole-mounting bracket on the underside and was used as the sign for the Museum which drew over a million visitors. The P-51 is the most recognized aircraft of World War II. American Heritage voted it the most artistic item created during the twentieth century. Full size with no engine. M **\$95,000 (plus shipping)**



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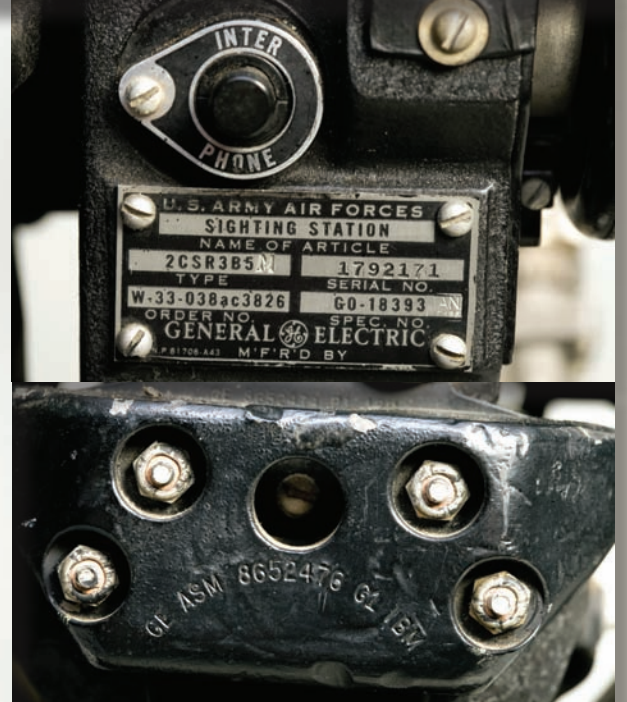
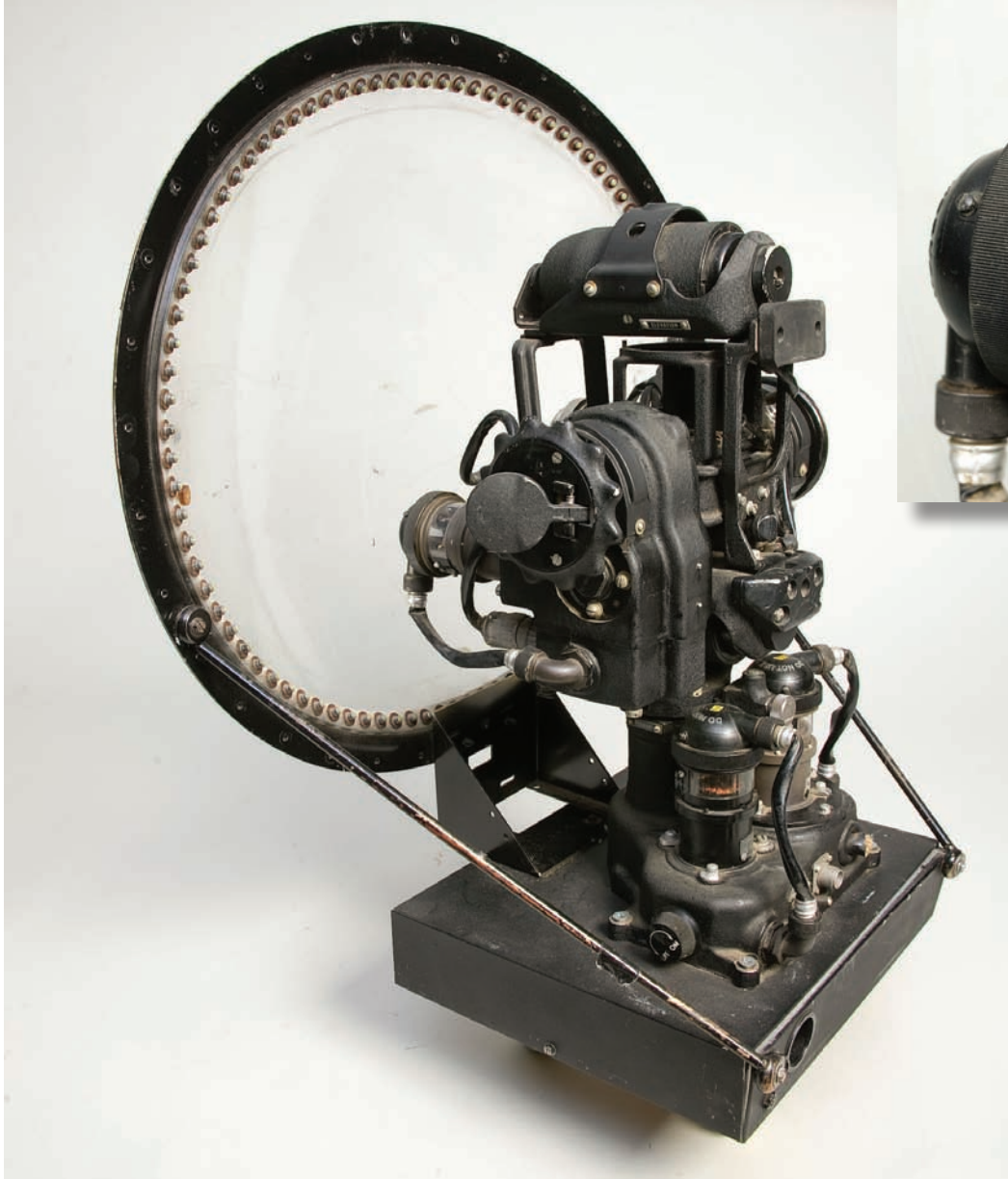
Boeing KC-97L Stratofreighter Cockpit

A complete KC-97L Stratofreighter cockpit display. The KC-97L was a refueling aircraft based on the B-29 Super Fortress design. This display consists of approximately 15 ft. of the front section/nose of the aircraft. It stands approximately 9 ft. high and is 10 ft. wide.

This is the exact aircraft that the world famous Country Music Artist Box Car Willie served on as a flight engineer in the 1950s. Box Car Willie, whose real name was Lecil Martin, served in the Air Force for twenty-seven years. He also served in the Korean War and logged over 10,000 hours during his career. In the 1980s Music Legend Box Car located his old aircraft in a salvage yard. He had the front section removed and spent several years restoring the instruments and cockpit.

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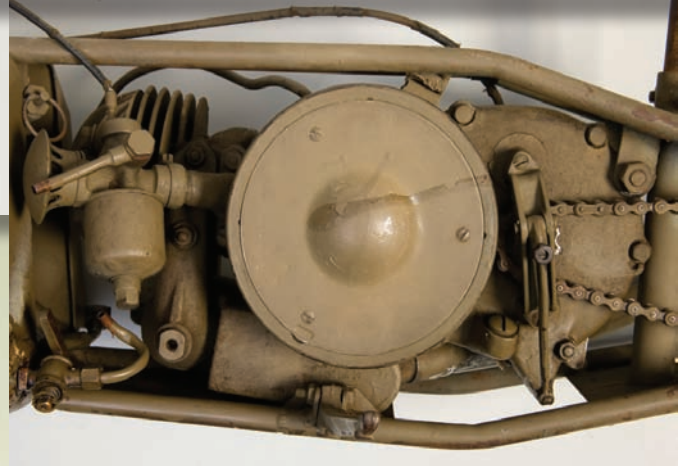
The Bockscar was the US Army Air forces B - 29 bomber that dropped the "Fat Man" nuclear weapon over Nagasaki on August 9, 1945, the second atomic weapon used against Japan. The name painted on the aircraft after the mission is a pun on "Boxcar" after the name of its aircraft commander, Captain Frederick C. Bock.



Lot 14

Computerized B-29 Gun Site – The Only One Known To Exist

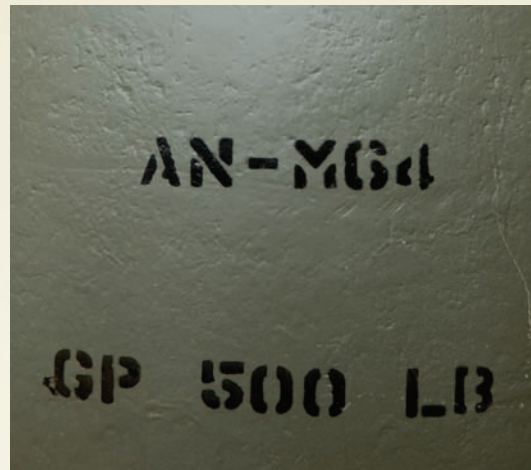
This site was actually a closely held secret in World War II and was believed to be a key element in the self defense capability of the B-29 Bomber. Essentially the site allowed a gunner to point all the available anti-aircraft guns on the B-29 at the same spot against a fighter in space from a single remote location. This is the only one known to exist. M **\$27,500 (plus shipping)**



Lot 15

1941 Parachute Welbike with Manual

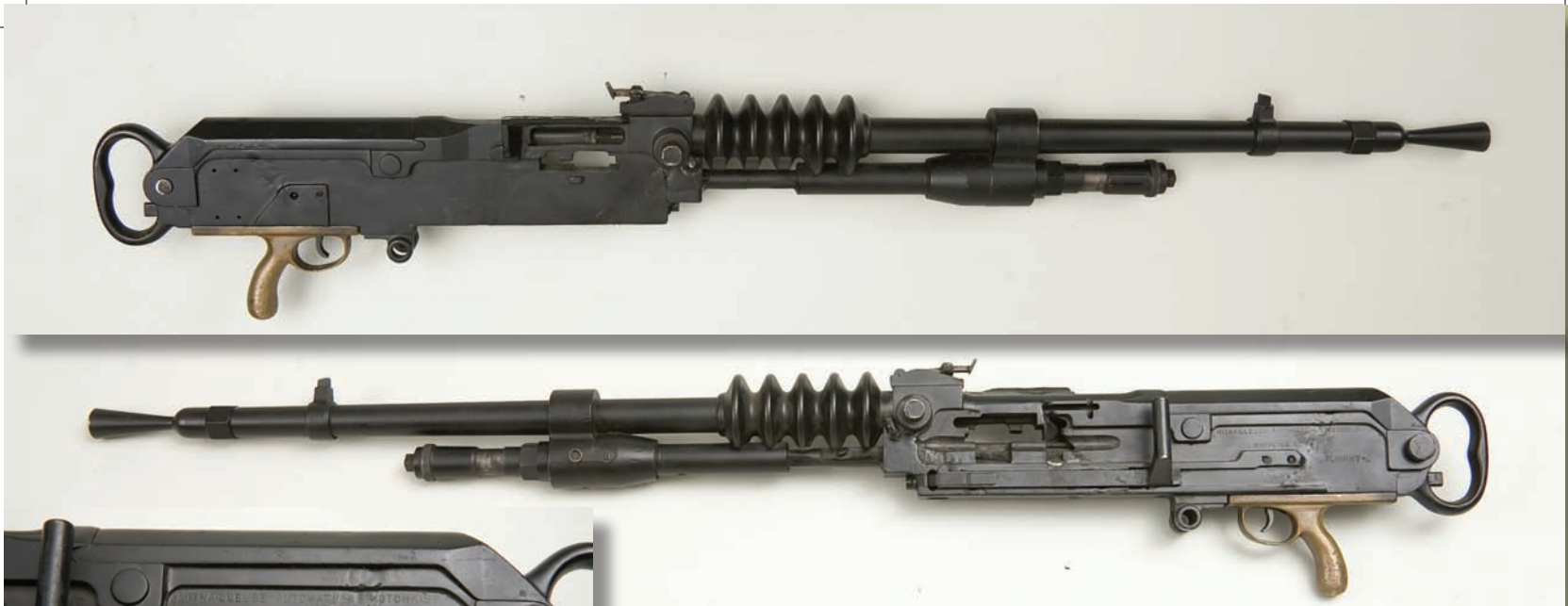
British made and used by both British and American paratroopers during the D-Day Invasion. These paratrooper welbikes were dropped by parachute behind enemy lines and ridden into battle zones by Allied Forces. M **\$9,500**



Lot 16

World War II Air Force Bombs (reproductions)

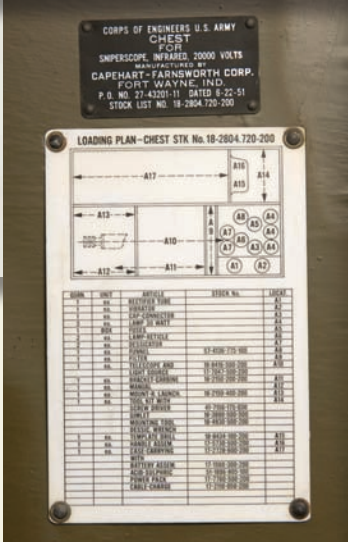
100 pound bomb, 250 pound bomb and 500 pound bomb. All reproductions from those made at Fort Campbell. From 2 to 4 feet tall. M **\$4,500 (plus shipping)**



Lot 17

Hotchkiss M1914 Machine Gun with Brass Pistol Grip

The Hotchkiss machine gun fired a 8mm round, 450 per minute and was the standard machine gun of the French Army from WWI to WWII, also used by the Allies including US Army who purchased 7,000 of them from the French government. This being one of the US Army models, they were in service from 1914 -1945. Completely de milled with non - working, non-gun parts and a solid steel non-working receiver, it has been in a public museum display for the past 10 years and is a very rare gun. **\$2,750**

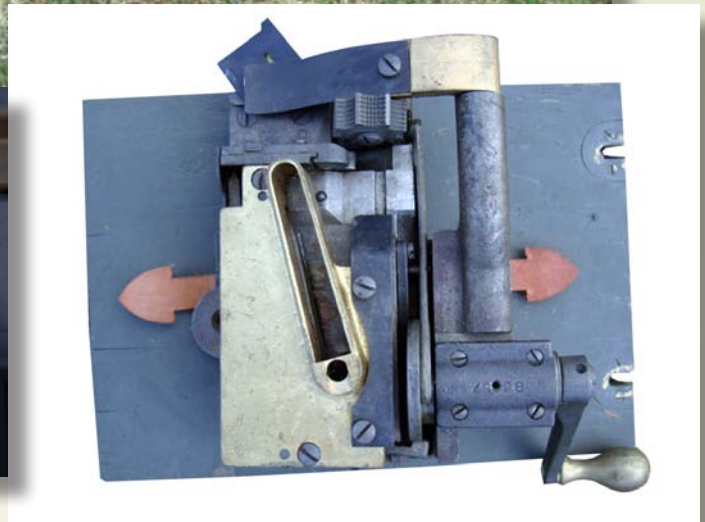


Lot 18

U.S. Army "Infared-Sniper's" Rifle scope for an M1

Rare Korean War night time M1 carbine "Sniper's" riflescope. Included is original riflescope (Serial Number 1519), storage chest, battery and ID tag. M **\$2,500**

All of the large guns in this collection are "non-firing" public museum exhibits, made with non-gun parts, and their accoutrements are completely demilled and non-serviceable. All have been on public display in the National Freedom Museum.



Lot 19

Browning M1917-A 1 Machine Gun on a Colt Firearms tri-pod with original Ammo Box and Ammo Belts all dated 1942

This famous heavy machine gun used by the US Army in both World War I and II, which was belt fed and water-cooled. It fired a .30-06 at 450 rounds a minute, and comes with two 250 round fabric belts both dated 1942, along with the water and oilcans. It sits upon a Colt tri-pod stand and has linker tool; it is a complete and an intact set. This M 1917 has a semi-auto DLO side plate de mill receiver, a superb showpiece and virtual Icon of US Army weaponry. (FFL – CR required) **\$8,500**



Lot 20

Miss - Dina Might - B 24 Bomber grouping- uniforms, photo's, flight logbooks, maps

Miss "Dinah Might" the personal archive of Lt. Robert L. Keller from the B- 24 Liberator justly named "Dinah Might" - 15th US Army Air Corp, 450th Bomber Group who help liberate half of Nazi-Occupied Europe, formed by General Jimmy Doolittle in Tunisia 1943 in North Africa for the invasion of Europe.

The amazing archive of this young B-24 pilot Lt. Robert Keller who flew over 50 missions over southern Europe, including all of his uniforms as well as his aerial bombardment maps and flight records & photographs from missions across Italy during Patton's invasion from North Africa of Salerno, Casino & Rome. The 15th USAAF was formed in Tunisia, North Africa in November 1943 for the pending invasion of Italy/Europe by the famous Air Force General James Doolittle. Flying out of southern Italy they dropped over 300,000 Tons of bombs, flew over 100,000 missions, shot down over 6,000 enemy aircraft and lost over 3,000 of their own aircraft, yet succeeded in liberating over half of Nazi occupied Europe in less than 18 months. An intact archive including several of his uniforms, all of his documents and photographs. Even the glass plate negative of the original painting of the Miss "Dinah Might" which was painted on the nose of his B - 24 Bomber, his flight sunglasses, his aviators briefcase, his Medals including his Distinguished Flying Cross, his original maps and flight log books of his aerial raids, photographs of his flight crew as well as a great photograph of him standing in front of "Dinah Might" even the mechanical flight mission De-Coder from his B - 24, a remarkable and intact archive of uniforms, documents, photographs - everything he owned or wore and used during the war is here and offered intact. **\$8,500**



Lot 21

Pre - Pearl Harbor M1 Garand made in the summer of 1941 six months before the Japanese bombed Hawaii that brought America into the 2nd World War

This is an exceptionally rare and early US Army .30 ca M1 Garand, low serial # 300,000 it is a World War II gun throughout, all parts are original WW II and there are no postwar parts or arsenal rebuilds on the gun. It has the short receiver, which used only in the first years of production. Made by the famous armorer Springfield Armory, it has 3 cartouches and a 1941 sub inspector marking, an unmodified op rod as well as its original WWII leather sling with steel brads. It has a special stock bedding indicating it could have been used as a sniper rifle, the barrel is stamped underside near the hand guard 1945, indicating that it was used during the war and the barrel is a war date replacement. It was serviced again in 1951 but no parts were added as it was approved as being in good firing condition. One of the rarest M1's in existence made; just before Pearl Harbor and used throughout the entire war. **\$2,250**



Lot 22

World War II Issue Box of .45 ca Ammo

A complete and original box of model 1911 .45 auto pistol ammunition as issued in 1942. Completely intact and untouched. **\$350**



Lot 23

Four US Army Bayonets and Side Knives

A historic grouping of Army knives from World War I, and World War II up to Vietnam and all in their original scabbards. **\$450**



Lot 24

M1 Garand 10 Pouch Cartridge Belt World War II Issue

Worn by US Naval Signal Man, Sgt. Buck Knoles during World War II, and he also captured the Nazi U-Boat Flag. He served in North Africa, Sicily, as well as the Balkans. He was awarded 5 Bronze stars and 2 Purple Hearts. **\$250**



Lot 25

Soviet "Paratrooper - Carbine" SVT - 40 Tokarev made in 1940

This is possibly the rarest gun of the Soviet Army, this SKT was used by Soviet Paratroopers, and latter captured by the Finnish Army. It is in excellent 100% WW II condition, very good bore with original sling and original finish. Serial # SB 3470, fired a 7.62 x 54R cartridge, it has a "SA" receiver stamp indicating it was captured by the Finnish Army when Stalin invaded Finland in the Winter War of 1940. This is the rarest variant of the SVT-40 produced in small numbers. Many were field conversions to carbines, however this is an arsenal conversion. The Soviet Army was the very first to use Paratroopers in battle, calling themselves the Flying Locust. The Soviet paratroopers made their first big jump in the late 1930's when over 1,000 men jumped, as the Stalin's Soviet alliance with Hitler's Nazi Germany fell apart so did their regiment of Paratroopers. The rarest of Soviet WW II weapons (FFL - CR required) **\$6,850**





Lot 26

Soviet SVT - 40 Battle Rifle made in 1941

If there was ever an Eastern Front gun that could tell a story it would be this one. Obviously captured as it is 100% WW II condition and was not arsenal refurbished after the war and has no import markings. It is a straightforward WW II Soviet Army battle rifle serial #PB 5051 and an early war production. Both this gun and the paratrooper carbine were brought home by a vet from Belleville, Illinois and both are thoroughly original World War II guns. In excellent near mint condition. The bore is almost unfired and it has nice untouched wood patina with original leather sling. This WW II "Bring Back" is an important rarity for its originality and its condition.

Hitler invaded Russia in 1941, during that first year of the war the Soviet Army lost 100,000 SVT's, which were captured by the invading German Army who in turn reissued them to their own troops and used them against their previous owners in the Red Army. The German Wehrmacht even issued their own German language-operating manual for the captured Soviet SVT's. Stalin had ordered the Arsenal's to cease production in 1942. After the war all were turned in to the arsenals to be refurbished and exported to Soviet Allies during the early days of the Cold War. The rarest of Eastern Front captured Soviet Army battle rifles. (FFL- CR required)
..... **\$3,650**





Lot 27

Mine Detector From World War II And Warning Minefield Flags

Mine detectors like this all work by detecting metal. Consequently, the general response was simple and obvious – build mines with no metal. Such mines were made entirely of wood and could be found by dogs trained to find them by the scent of the explosives. The probe was gingerly poked into the ground to confirm that a mine had indeed been found. A complete Set! Original backpack, carrying case, headphones and mine field flags. M **\$3,400**



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All of the large weapons in this collection are "non-firing" public museum exhibits, made with non-gun parts, and their accoutrements are completely demilled and non-serviceable. All have been on public display in the National Freedom Museum.



Lot 28

U.S. .30 Caliber "Training Model" Machine Gun

Instructor's non-firing model is twice as large as a Model 1919 machine gun. It was used by U.S. Army instructors to train soldiers and has an open receiver to illustrate how it works. Approximately 6' in length. M **\$3,500**

Lot 29

US Navy Training Cannon 1943

A very rare "Mighty Might" training cannon with an operating breech; although a lead filled 10 foot barrel. The data plate states "Loader MK7 Model 1 - Training Loading Model made by the American Laundry Company, Norwood OH, serial number 356, made in 1943". This rare training model ships cannon is built on a steel platform with a 10 foot barrel, and was used by US Navy instructors to train onboard artillery units how to quickly load cannons. The lead barrel was a counter balance to the weight of the cannon breach. A very rare 3" fifty training gun used to train US Destroyer gun crews in 1943. With original dull red paint wt. 3000 lbs. (Plus shipping, No photograph available)..... **\$6,500**

Lot 30

US Navy Battleship 3" Cannon 96 inch barrel dated 1943

This Cannon rifled barrel is completely de milled by being cut and was sold as scrap from a US naval battleship postwar 96" long, wt. 2,000 lbs (cost plus shipping, no photo) **\$2,500**



Lot 31

Captain Trumbull's Presentation Sword, 1st Commander of the USS DOWNES - Pearl Harbor December 7th, 1941

US Naval Officers "Presentation" Sword to Captain James J Trumbull by the US Secretary of the Navy upon the commissioning of the USS Downes, which was soon heavily engaged during the Japanese attack upon Pearl Harbor in 1941, which began WWII.

This US Navy Destroyer Downes was in port at Honolulu when the Japanese attacked Pearl Harbor on December 7th, 1941 coming under heavy attack. Despite heavy strafing, the USS Downes gun crews got their batteries into action, driving off further attacks by Japanese planes. Later the USS Downes was repaired and entered the war during all the battles of the South Pacific.

A superb US Navy presentation sword which interesting enough was imported prior to WWII in Germany by Hillborn and Hamburger, Captain Trumbull's name is etched on the blade. Also it is presented to him on the top mount of the scabbard in a lengthy engraved presentation as follows: "Presented to Captain James J. Trumbull upon his Commission by Claude A. Swanson Secretary of the Navy - June 6, 1935". The sword is near mint condition and is one of the finest WWII presentation swords that I have seen. **\$2,850**



Lot

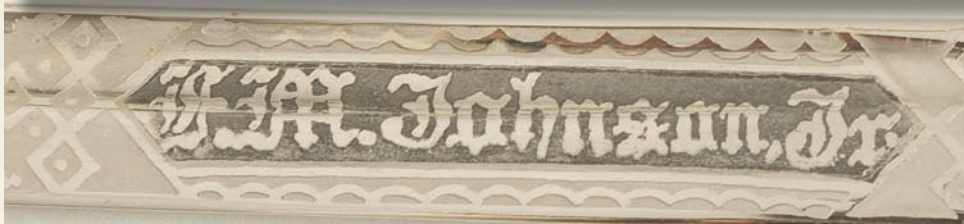
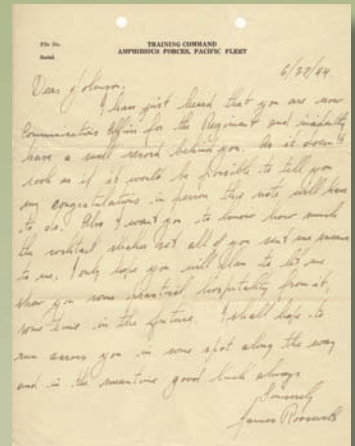
WW II US Navy Officers Sword belt set ca. 1940

In absolutely superb condition, with bright gold gilt on both the buckle and keeper. Still on its original black paten leather Officers Belt with sword hangers. Perfect for a uniform display and a great addition to any military collection. **\$250**

Lot 32

US Marine Corps "Raider's" Captain "Tex" Johnson – Presentation Sword with extra long blade for 6' 5" tall Marine Raider, letter from FDR's son who co-founded the Raiders, manuscript map of Japanese occupied island, photographs, and his USMC large vellum Military Commission 1941-1945

This is the finest USMC Raiders Mameluke Presentation Sword existent. It has a custom made with an extra long blade to accommodate "Tex Johnson" who was 6' 5" tall. Lieut. Col "Tex" Johnson, Jr. – historic World War II U.S. Marine Corps, "Raiders" archive of Colonel "Tex" Johnson who began his military career in World War II as a Lieutenant in the famous 4th Marine Corps "Raider" battalion in February 1943, during the Marine Corps amphibious assault against the Japanese occupied Solomon Islands, the Japanese had arrived at New Georgia in the central Solomon's in November, 1942 and began construction of an airfield which threatened American positions on Guadalcanal. On June 21, 1943, elements of the Marine 4th Raider Battalion began the operation to capture New Georgia from the entrenched Japanese occupation forces. The "Raiders" were an elite group of Marines sent in before the invasion to ascertain the troop strength of the Japanese forces. Col. James Roosevelt, son of President Franklin D. Roosevelt, trained the 4th "Raider" Battalion for this New Georgia operation. This archive contains a manuscript map which Lieut. Johnson secretly drew of Japanese entrenchments on the island prior to the American amphibious assault, also a Japanese flag that he captured, and his latter battle map of Iwo Jima. As well as a letter from Col. James Roosevelt congratulating him. Lieut. Johnson's World War II Marine Corps officers "Presentation" sword, which was specially made for him with an extra long blade by Wilkinson in London (as he was 6 ft. 5 inches tall), presented to him in 1943 with etched presentation including his name and the Marine Corps emblem on both sides of the blade and the original sword case with his initials in gold lettering. A fascinating sword and archive including his Marine Corps commission by President Roosevelt, of this great American Patriot and Marine Corps "Raider". **\$7,500**





Lot 33

US Army Tank Destroyer - 121st Reconnaissance Squadron Regimental Flag 1944

A magnificent WWII 1944 flag of this Tank Destroyer squad marked on the inside of the flagpole sleeve. This 121st Reconnaissance Squadron unit flag is of high quality and hand embroidered. They served in France and Germany from after D- Day till the end of the war and were actively engaged on all fronts. Research accompanies the flag along with a copy of capture papers for a WWII German flag by the same veteran from this unit that brought this flag home. A showpiece of the 121st, possibly made in France size 2 x 3 ft **\$2,250**



Lot 34

The very rare Presidential Medal of Freedom in Original Box

This medal was presented only by the president of the United States, and this style is specifically for a female honoree; it is also a rare and early strike from the mint, marked XX - 16 on verso. This is the highest obtainable Civilian Award. **\$4,750**



Lot 35

General Patton's "Third Army Head Quarters Flag" ca. 1945

General George S. Patton's beautiful custom made silk Head Quarters flag, which he presented to General Truscott when Patton was relieved of Command of the Third Army by Eisenhower on October 7, 1945. A remarkable Icon of "Blood & Guts Patton" the commander of the famous 3rd Army, which was passed down to General Truscott when he assumed Patton's command, Truscott in turn passed it down to General Keyes, a close friend of Patton's and the next Commander of the 3rd Army after General Truscott, after Patton's death, they kept this Patton Flag amongst themselves in his honor. The "Patton Flag" was purchased from the last generals family, General Keyes who also had Patton's generals stars which had also been presented to him by Eisenhower during the war. In superb condition, probably made in Paris or Rome for Gen. Patton, it is 30 x 50 inches and unframed. **\$17,500**



Lot 36

Vichy Government - Nazi French - German Volunteers Flag Captured by DeGaulle's Free French in 1945

An important and historical World War II rarity; beautifully hand embroidered on silk in the French National colors, but carried by the French traitors that joined the Nazi Army when Paris fell in 1941. This flag was captured at the end of the war when a large group of Vichy French, dressed in German Army uniforms, were stopped by the American troops as they crossed the border in to France. They had this flag with them rolled up in a case. They told the Americans that they were French citizens, and that they had fought in the German Army and were heading home to Paris now that the war was over. The Americans did not know what to do with the Vichy volunteers, so they sent for a Free French military unit in the area. Upon arriving, DeGaulle's Free French said they would take care of the men, then marched them down the road about a mile into some woods and executed all of them. This rare flag and folding staff was then taken to the Central Library building in the city of St. Etienne France, southeast of Paris. It was then brought to America as a war trophy by Corporal D.L. Raczinski of Kingsville, Ohio. In excellent condition with gold braided tassels and still on its original folding 6 foot brass mounted wooden staff. Size 3 x 3 feet **\$12,500**



Lot 37

WWII Navy National Pistol Shot Shooting Badges

Bronze, Silver marked sterling and Gold marked 14K (1.2oz). A Very Rare and superb set..... **\$1,250**



Lot 38

"Typhus" Medical Medal - Only Presented to 150 Doctors during WWII, ca. 1944

Typhus was the most dreaded disease of the war and this very rare medal was only issued during WWII, and to less than 150 military doctors who were trying to find a cure for the dreaded disease that took many civilian and military lives. Established under the guidance of Capt. (later Rear Admiral) Charles Stephenson by Presidential Order in 1942, the first medal was presented in 1944. The Typhus Commission and the award were discontinued in 1946. Very Fine and very rare. **\$1,500**



Lot 39

The World War II Letter that every Mother hoped they would never receive

The complete archive of USMC Private Edgar Norcross who was Killed In Action on March 16, 1945 in the Caroline Islands. A historically important archive including a letter from the Commander of the Marine Corps General Vandegrift along with letters from other Marines as well as his Squadron Commander, additionally it is accompanied by his posthumous Purple Heart presented to him on verso, and a wonderful letter from Commander In Chief Dwight Eisenhower stating that Norcross had made the supreme sacrifice. He was a gunner in the Marine Torpedo Bomber Squadron on board a Grumman Avenger Aircraft. A lengthy archive of over 35 items. Most importantly letters from Eisenhower and Vandegrift, and the Purple Heart with his name engraved on it. **\$4,500**



Lot 40

USMC Iwo Jima Posthumous Presentation "Silver Star" in Red WWII original Award Box and Documents

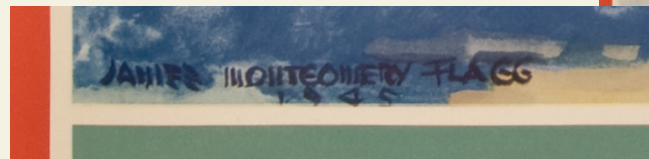
The documents show 2nd Lieutenant Charles H. McCann USMCR who was Killed In Action during the battle of Iwo Jima and awarded this Silver Star for gallantry during the deadly battles on Iwo Jima on February 24, 1945 that secured the final assault on the Japanese homeland, and ended their domination of the Pacific..... **\$4,500**



Lot 41

World War II – Original Large Folio Recruiting Poster “United States - Army Air Forces”, US Army Air Corps, ca. 1944

Excellent US AAF patriotic folio Recruiting Poster depicting a young handsome pilot in his leather A-1 flight jacket holding a 100 lb. bomb and looking upward, within a cloud full of US Army Air Force bombers. Signed in the plate by the artist, Schlainkjer, 1944, with imprint at bottom Brown & Bigelow, St. Paul. Minn. USA. One of the finest WWII Army Air Force recruiting posters, in superb, mint condition. Size 19 x 25 inches. Ex: Col. W. Fitch. **\$750**

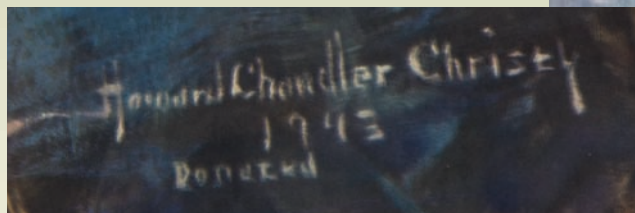


Lot 42

World War II – Original Large Folio Recruiting Poster “Coming Right Up”, US Army Air Corps, ca. 1945

Excellent US AAF patriotic large folio Recruiting Poster depicting an Army Air Force Bomber Pilot cheering on his squadron, as he rushes to join them in the fight. One of the finest WWII Army Air Force recruiting posters I have owned. Superb, mint condition. Size 24 x 35 inches. Ex: Col. W. Fitch. **\$750**

“All of the following original posters and paintings were done for the US Army Air Force and were sent to the US Army Air Force Recruiting Commander, Colonel Willis Fitch. Col. Fitch had been an American Pilot, during WWI, in Major LaGuardia’s Air Squadron (namesake of LaGuardia Airport), as well as a 1917 Princeton University Graduate. When World War II began, the US Army began a National recruiting campaign to create its Air Force and Col. Fitch was appointed to command this campaign for the US Army Air Force. He promoted patriotic young men to join the US Army Air Force thru these magnificent “Army Air Force Recruiting Posters”. They are all from his estate and they are all still rolled and in original tubes, just as he had kept them in his office - never folded and never posted. They are all in mint condition with pristine colors. This the finest archive of WWII Patriotic Illustrator art I have ever offered.”

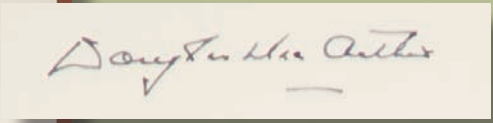


Lot 43

World War II -Original Large Folio Recruiting Poster “Fly for Her Freedom and Yours” by artist Howard Chandler Christy, US Army Air Corps, ca.1944

The finest in the entire collection, Christy was one of the most famous artists of his time, beautifully done with an allegorical patriotic figure in an angel like vision in the sky. US AAF patriotic winged logo. A very large folio Recruiting Poster depicting a Fighter Pilot and his Wife being inspired by Lady Victory. Signed and dated in the plate by the artist “Howard Chandler Christy, 1943” with imprint at bottom P.X. 41 RPB - 4-5-1944. This is THE finest WWII Army Air Force recruiting poster I have owned. Superb, mint condition. Size 25 x 37 inches. Ex: Col. W. Fitch. **\$1,750**

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U.S. ARMY AIR FORCES



Lot 44

General Douglas MacArthur's "Farewell Address to West Point Cadet's" – signed by him in 1962

This rare broadside of MacArthur's "Duty and Honor" speech before the Cadets at West Point on May 12, 1962 illustrates his iconic General's visor hat with all the gold gilt insignia and publishes his entire speech which was "not" released to the public at large but solely to the cadets. This broadside was published by The National Observer who recognized the importance of MacArthur's Farewell Address. The pacific theatre veteran who I acquired this from wrote MacArthur at his home in Norfolk, VA and requested him to sign it, as one who served under him during the war. MacArthur boldly signs it in dark ink, it is still in the original mailing tube and never unrolled or framed and is in mint condition. A showpiece now. **\$2,250**



Lot 45

FDR Presidential Campaign Poster from WW II

A very fine WW II presidential campaign poster, FDR at his finest hour, end of a Depression and the beginning of the War. 18 x 28 inches **\$150**

Lot 46

World War II – Original Large Folio Recruiting Poster "AAF – Under the Shadow of their Wings Our Land Shall Dwell Secure", US Army Air Corps, ca. 1944

Excellent US AAF patriotic large folio Recruiting Poster depicting two Army Air Force Pilots smiling and giving the "OK" sign. With imprint at bottom "copyright 1944 General cable Corporation." One of the finest WWII Army Air Force recruiting posters, in superb, mint condition. Size 27 x 37 inches. Ex: Col. W. Fitch. **\$750**





Lot 47

World War II – Original Large Folio Recruiting Poster “AAF – The Greatest Team in the World”, US Army Air Corps, ca. 1944 (this is personally signed and presented to Col. Fitch by Knight)

Excellent US AAF patriotic large folio Recruiting Poster depicting an Army Air Force Bomber in a bombing run over a Jap Air Field. With the Recruitment text “If you are 17 and under 18... Call now for further information, or go to your nearest AAF Examining Board or Army Recruiting Station.” With the AAF logo and signed in the plate by the artist Clayton Knight, with imprint at bottom P.X. 61 RPB – 7-11-1944. One of the finest WWII Army Air Force recruiting posters I have owned. Superb, mint condition. Size 25 x 38 inches. Ex: Col. W. Fitch. **\$950**



Lot 48

World War II – Original Large Folio Recruiting Poster “AAF – There’s a Place for You on This Team”, US Army Air Corps, ca. 1944

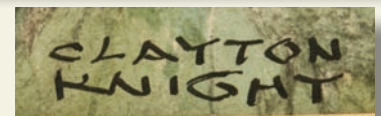
Excellent US AAF patriotic large folio Recruiting Poster depicting an Army Air Force Bomber in a bombing run over a Pacific Island. With the Recruitment text “If you are 17 and under 18... Call now for further information, or go to your nearest AAF Examining Board or Army Recruiting Station.” With silver wing insignias and the AAF logo and signed in the plate by the artist Clayton Knight with imprint at bottom P.X. 61 RPB – 9-6-1944. One of the finest WWII Army Air Force recruiting posters I have owned. Superb, mint condition. Size 25 x 37 inches. Ex: Col. W. Fitch. **\$950**



Lot 49

World War II – Original Watercolor Painting “US Dive Bomber Attacking a Japanese Convoy in Asia”, signed by Clayton Knight, US Army Air Corps, ca.1944

This excellent US Army Air Force patriotic watercolor painting is certainly a study for a Recruiting Poster, depicting the flight crew of a Dive Bomber blasting a Jap Convoy with every gun onboard the plane, somewhere in China or Burma. One of the finest WWII paintings I have owned, boldly signed by Clayton Knight in lower right corner. Superb condition, canvas size 15 x 24 inches in original frame. Ex: Col. W. Fitch..... **\$2,500**



Lot 50

**US Marine Corps - early uniform insignia
Shako Wreath, Hat Cockade, Shoulder Board**

A very rare grouping of early Marine corps insignia, the gilded brass Model 1859 Civil War era Shako wreath with a silver Globe & Anchor (T015), which is very attractive, less than 600 marines were in the corps at this time. The early leather side hat cockade with Silver eagle and shield ca. war of 1812, the dress uniform shoulder bar and silver EGA is also very attractive and from the Boxer Rebellion in China (T597). Set of 3 USMC insignia that spans military history. **\$950**



Lot 51

**US Marine Corps - EGA lifetime collection
of these Icon's of Marine Corps history
from Custer to Korea 1875 - 1955**

All 65 different EGA's are in near mint condition, and collected on descriptive cards that date and catalog them. Beginning with enlisted dress cap EGA ca. 1875 with 2 wires intact on verso (T110), a Span Am enlisted dress cap 1896 EGA (T014) with screw post, known as the Samar type as an identical example exists at the Marine Corps Quantico collection, which is identified to a marine KIA on Samar, Philippine Islands in 1903. Several from World War I including a matching set of collar discs, Scippo type I made in France authorized by FDR when he was assistant Secretary of the US Navy for marines to wear on their collars in France in 1918 (T707). Numerous enlisted Dress Collar sets including the first enlisted collar EGA set authorized after the discs of WW I, with the balance leading up to, and during WW II some, which may have been made in England and made for both collar and visor cap insignia. A remarkable lifetime Marine Corps EGA collection. Superb 65 different. **\$4,250**



Lot 52

US Marine Corps summer uniform from the 1919 occupation of the Dominican Republic

In superb condition all buttons intact, summer tunic worn by USMC Captain Carroll Byrd when he served during the US occupation of Dominican Republic to the United States, with documents and a rare uniform from the brief US Caribbean occupation forces. The documents are from Santo Domingo City, October 2, 1919 in reference to transportation back to the USA by requesting that he be permitted to proceed to the United States via the U.S.S. Gulfport. This request was made because the U.S.S. Gulfport would land at a northern port (New York), which would be to his benefit for certain financial and business reasons. It was further requested that transportation for his wife be arranged for the same vessel as well as authority be obtained for him to take one Dominican woman domestic servant on the same transportation. A rare USMC tunic from the US occupation of the Caribbean. **\$450**



Lot 2

USMC—America's Number 1 "ACE" Capt. Foss June 7, 1943 Life Magazine signed by him wearing his Congressional Medal of Honor

This Life Magazine cover of Captain Joe Foss USMC wearing his Medal of Honor published on June 7, 1943 during the height of WW II. **\$150**

Lot 53

B-17 Medals and Dog Tags of Two Brothers

The medals and dog tags of B-17 turret gunner Sgt. Mike Szewyck, includes two purple hearts, his silver star, as well as his air medal and his dog tags. He was shot down over Germany during his 20th mission while on a bombing raid July 26, 1943 and was captured and became a prisoner of war at Stalag 17B where he remained until the end of the war. This was the first bombing mission by the Allied Air Force that specifically civilian targets were designated. **\$1,450**





Lot 54

US Navy Admiral Zogbaum “Medals” – Commander of the 1st US Naval Aircraft Carrier. The USS Langley 1931

Very rare complete set of medals presented to Captain, and later Rear Admiral, Rufus Zogbaum, Jr., who commanded the very 1st aircraft carrier, USS Langley, in 1931 up to World War II. Built in the 1930's, the Langley was the United States Navy's first aircraft carrier. Zogbaum later served as captain of the aircraft carrier USS Saratoga, and was Commander of the Pensacola Naval Air Station. He had a walk-on role in the 1931 movie "Hell Divers" that was filmed aboard the USS Saratoga.

The Langley and Saratoga were two of the most famous Aircraft Carriers in US Navy as well as aviation history. After service as the Navy's first aircraft carrier, the Langley was converted to a seaplane tender for service during World War II. On February 27, 1942 nine Japanese twin-engine Mitsubishi bombers led by Lieutenant Jiro Adachi made five direct hits on the carrier's deck. The aircraft topside exploded into flames, steering was impaired, and the engine room flooded. The Langley developed a ten-degree list to port and went dead in the water at the mouth of Tjilatjap Harbor. After abandoning ship, escorting US destroyers sunk the Langley to insure she did not fall into enemy hands. The Saratoga was the second aircraft carrier of the United States Navy and fought in some of the most important battles of World War II, including the Marshall Islands, Iwo Jima, earning seven battle stars during the War. She sunk on August 15, 1946 when she was used during an Atomic bomb test on the Bikini Island atoll.

His complete sets of medals are as follows: WWI Navy Cross, USS San Francisco Sampson medal group. Bar mounted (for formal wear) in Spink's case. WWI Navy Cross, USS San Francisco Sampson named on rim- Naval Cadet Rufus F. Zogbaum, Junior, USN, USN Spanish Campaign 1898 medal #2825 (that number was issued to Zogbaum on the rolls), WWI Victory medal with loose Transport bar, loose Simon Bolivar medal – Order of the Liberator w/ Venezuela Rosette, NYS WWI service medal #40065, American Defense, American Campaign, WWII Victory medal and his WWII dog tag named Rufus Fairchild Zogbaum, Jr 82901 T-1/42 O-USNR.

Zogbaum received his Navy Cross (2nd highest valor award after Medal of Honor) during WWI as commanding officer of the USS Stevens. The bar mounted Navy Cross is the proper WWI issue medal – solid ribbon ring and 3 piece construction with the center disks applied to the reverse and obverse (later Navy Crosses were struck as 1 piece).

Very rare to have a Sampson medal named to a US Naval Cadet. He is listed in the Sampson medal book as being on the USS San Francisco during the bombardment of the Morro battery in Cuba, 1898 thus qualifying for the Sampson medal with Havana, Cuba August 12 battle action date on the reverse of the medal. **\$14,500**



Lot 55

Uniform Of Brigadier General Carl A. Baehr

A graduate of the U.S. Military Academy in 1909, Carl Baehr made Brigadier General in 1941 and won many medals in World War II, including the Bronze and Silver Stars (awards given only for valor), two air medals, the Distinguished Service Medal and the Legion of Merit. He commanded the Sixth Army Artillery Corps during the Invasion of Europe. Photograph: Brigadier General Carl A. Baehr. His General's Car Flag as well as his General's "Star" license plate along with his office desk name plate. M **\$12,500**



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Lot 56

U.S. Seabee "CB" Construction Battalion Dress Uniform

The Seabee dress uniform (Crackerjack) proudly shows the Seabee Shoulder patch. The Seabees built the runways on the islands across the South Pacific which opened the way to bomb Japan.

M **\$600**



Lot 58

US Navy Aviator's Officer's Lt. T.J. Callan, complete uniform including visor hat, ca 1940

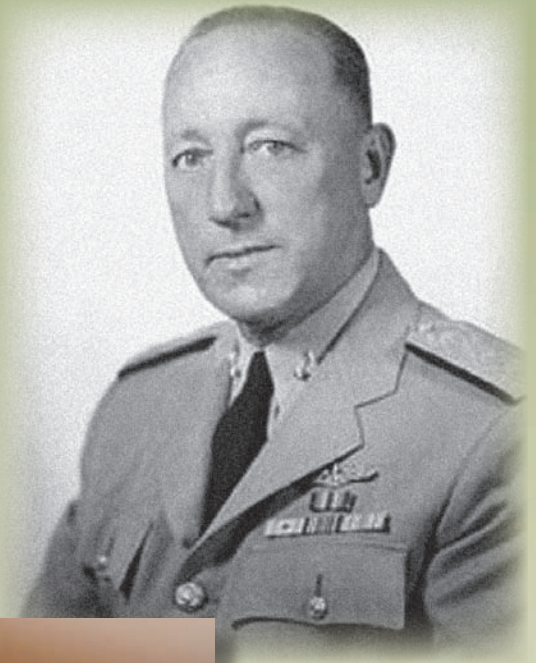
A superb Naval Aviators Officer's double breasted uniform with embroidered silver wings and gold gilt naval buttons, his officer's visor hat is custom made by "The New Yorker", during the early days of World War II. Excellent dual rows of gilt quatrefoil with a single embroidered large gold Star on each sleeve cuff, marked inside the coat pocket "Naval Clothing Depot Brooklyn NY- T.J. Callan 11/4/38. The visor hat has a very large gold & silver gilt hand embroidered Eagle/ Shield, with a gilt quatrefoil hat band and marked inside "The New Yorker by Julius Horowitz, Brooklyn". **\$1,250**



Lot 57

World War II U.S. Army Officer's Dress Mess Uniform

This army officer's dress mess uniform is in rare condition. M **\$350**



Lot 59

Uniform Of Navy Vice Admiral Charles A. Lockwood

General MacArthur, General LeMay and Admirals Halsey, Spruance and Nimitz are justly famous for their roles in the Pacific Theater of World War II. Admiral Lockwood was the commander of submarines, Pacific Fleet, during World War II. Admiral Lockwood thus commanded one of the principal instruments of the destruction of Imperial Japan. As detailed in the text for the Baleo Class Submarine, submarines were less than 2% of the U.S. Navy, yet sank over 30% of Japan's Navy, including 8 aircraft carriers. Perhaps even more significantly, the sinking of over 60% of the Japanese Merchant Marine by American submarines brought the Japanese economy to a virtual halt and greatly hampered the Japanese war effort as a whole. M **\$27,500**





Lot 60

WWI US Navy Chief Petty Officer "Gun Captain - USS Ohio" Uniform, ca. 1917

A very interesting 1902 pattern uniform set and group of photographs, including an early "Naval Diver" and photograph of the USS Ohio, with a notation of which Big Gun he manned. The uniform itself is quite scarce, with the Gunners Insignia on the sleeves. Includes striker marks for Ordnance and Torpedo qualifications. **\$1,750**



Lot 61

US Naval Officers Visor Hat

A superb World War I - US Navy Officers Visor Hat with a large green band and white crown. US Navy cuff buttons on either side of the chinstrap. **\$175**

Lot 62

Aircraft Carrier Crewman Uniform

U.S. Navy Aircraft carrier crewman uniform includes helmet with chin strap, goggles, radio and deck hat. Three photographs: A plane flying over an aircraft carrier deck, Navy officers on board deck and ship being fired upon; plus a cloth with U.S. Navy emblem embroidered on it. M **\$1,250**





Lot 63

US Air Force B-23 High Altitude - Heated Airman's Flight Suit with "Bail Out" Oxygen Tank, ca. 1945

This is one of the very few complete US Air Force high-altitude cold weather flight suits remaining from World War II. It is complete with the armor-plated flak vest. Such suits were worn by US Air Force B-23 Bomber waist gunners and flight crew for protection against the elements. The oxygen mask was heated and the suit well insulated from head to foot. This rare display includes everything from flak armor to an emergency oxygen tank to be used in case of bailout at 30,000 feet. High altitude air crew wore this air tank strapped to their left leg between the knee and ankle. In the event that they had to bailout out of the plane at high altitudes, this device supplied the needed oxygen until the unfortunate crewman had descended to below 13,000 feet. It is often called a "bailout" tank. **\$18,500**



Lot 64

US Air Force - Bomb Timer with "Enola Gay" Type Polarized Goggles, ca. 1945

These timers were used on the B-17 and B-24 bombers to coordinate the release of bombs for optimal effect. Relevant factors like ground speed, the desired interval between bombs and the number of bombs to be dropped were merely dialed in and the black box did the rest. Includes: two types of Aircraft First Aid kits, Air Crew mittens and a pair of "Enola Gay" type polarized goggles. These goggles were designed for use when dropping atomic bombs. Their polarized Polaroid lenses rotate to permit just the right amount and wavelength of light to reach the eye. A superb display **\$2,500**



Lot 65

USMC Peking, China - 3 Pre World War II Marine Corps China annuals and postcards from two Marine's

These USMC annuals from China are very collectable and very rare local Chinese printings. They have photographs of the Marine and Navy personnel stationed there, prior to the outbreak of WW II..

Peking, China studio photo of USMC 2nd Lieutenant Gardner in 1919 with Glass Negative.

This photo of USMC 2nd Lieutenant Gardner was taken while on duty at the marine corps base in Peking, China. **\$1,750**



Lot 66

Silver "Presentation" Lifesaving Medal - 1939 made by Tiffany

A superb Naval Officer's Silver Life Saving Medal awarded to Edward Warner for bravely rescuing four persons from drowning on September 17, 1939. The ribbon has been replaced.

The Silver Lifesaving Medal was awarded under the same circumstances as the Gold Lifesaving Medal; the Silver Lifesaving Medal recognizes heroism of a lesser degree. The design changes in the Silver Lifesaving Medal parallel those of the Gold Lifesaving Medal. Originally known as the Life Saving Medal of the Second Class, the first awards occurred on 23 June 1876. When Congress gave the initial approval of the wearable design in 1882, the 2-inch wide ribbon was light blue moiré. **\$4,500**

Lot 67

USMC Silver Ring from Beirut

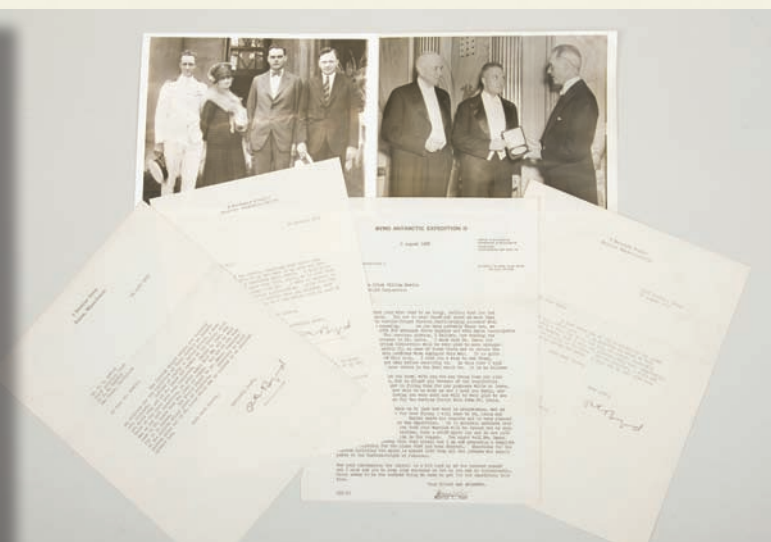
This USMC Silver Ring was given out to the families of the Killed In Action Marines during the bombing in Beirut, Lebanon. Marked inside the ring "Thanks Marines, from Hoky 1984 925S". The head of Hoky Industries was a former Marine and made up these silver rings for the Marines after the Beirut terrorists bombing on October 23, 1983..... **\$950**



Lot 68

Admiral Byrd 1933 - 1935 2nd Antarctic Expedition to "Little America" Medal - Ultra Rare

There were only 57 of these snow white ribboned medals were awarded from this Antarctic expedition, they were designed and struck at the US Mint accompanied by extensive documentation to Pilot William Bowlin - Admiral Byrd naming a mountain after him. Admiral Richard Byrd Expedition prior to WWII. Accompanied by his arctic expedition book with photographs of Captain Bowlin with Admiral Byrd in Antarctica. Several important letters by Admiral Byrd describing the Curtiss Wright company building the airplane for them to fly for their Expedition. **\$18,000**





Lot 69

World War II OSS Group – the original 007 – Paratrooper for special OP's on the Russian Front

Captain Eli Popovich a Serbian American joined up after Pearl Harbor and was the only person to graduate from Engineer OCS at Fort Belvoir without a high school diploma. He was recruited into the OSS and trained by British MI5 officers. He parachuted into Bosnia on January 20, 1944 working with Winston Churchill's son Major Randolph Churchill with the Partisans. Then in March 1944 he parachuted into Siroka Planina east of Kumanova on the Bulgarian border, helping rescue downed wounded airmen. Next he jumped into Slovenia alone followed by a jump into Glina in the Kordun with John Blatnik and John Hamilton (later movie actor Sterling Hayden).

Hayden and Popovich next jumped into Cazma near Zagreb on August 5, 1944 where he met with the famous General Tito. After that Eli went to Burma and China with the OSS. Group includes his Uniform jacket with paratrooper emblems, which still have his 1944 Allied Officer's Club pass in Naples, and his overseas cap with paratrooper emblems, Silver Star Medal. With all of his original documents including his Army ID card, passes, original newspaper clipping about his award of the Silver Star. A display case with OSS pins, theater made patches, jump wings an OSS detonator, a never before seen silver pin with crossed cannons and wings (Foreign/Partisan made combat parachute award). A very rare group to an OSS legend who jumped behind enemy lines in World War II. **\$25,000**

Lot 70

Allied Expeditionary Forces in 'Siberia' over 500 items

Corporal Clarence Black – his personal archive of 500 photographs, all unpublished of the A.E.F. in Siberia during WW1. An amazing archive from the remote area of western Russia near Alaska, that was occupied by US Forces in 1918. Excellent photographs of day to day life of the people of Siberia but also the military that occupied this section of Russia. **\$3,750**





Lot 71

Surgical Nurse Uniform (Male) - U.S. Navy World War II

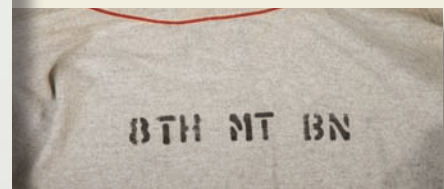
Surgical Nurse Uniform (Male) - U.S. Navy World War II with three photographs: "A wounded Marine eats ice cream which patients got every afternoon," "Burn victim on a Naval hospital ship" and "The Manhattan skyline greets soldiers who were maimed in the war as their ship moves up the Hudson River to dock." M **\$450**



Lot 72

World War I American Red Cross Nurse's Uniform And Hat

Pair of crutches, World War I White American Red Cross Nurses Uniform, First Aid Kit, Medical Department Blanket and several photographs and ads. M **\$650**



Lot 73

U.S. Marine Baseball Uniform

This baseball uniform was worn by a member of the 8th Mountain Battalion. M **\$250**



Lot 74

801st Tank Destroyer Battalion Uniform – Complete Uniform of Lieutenant Eugene Boyd, Commander of the 1st Platoon

Lutenit Eugene Boyd, 801st Tank Destroyers amazing and historical uniform set. He landed on Utah beach during the D – Day invasion, landing on June 6, 1944 and fought at the Battle of the Bulge, the liberation of France also the liberation of Concentration Camps in Germany. His uniform group consists of his dress uniform with his dog tags still in the pocket as well as his shirt and dress pants. Also included are his tankers overalls, his insignia as well as his battlefield commission, and his V-E notice from the commander and chief of all the armies of General Eisenhower. A remarkable and completely original as well as intact Tank Destroyer archive, purchased from his descendants over twenty years ago and never before offered. Accompanied by a lengthy Provenance including photographs of Lieutenant Boyd and his tank crew, and a congratulatory letter from General Devers for battlefield bravery. **\$7,500**



Lot 75

The finest World War I US Marine Corps Hand Painted Helmet

Certainly the finest USMC Allied Expeditionary Force hand-painted Marine Corps helmet we have ever seen. Large French and American flags with a central motif of the Marine Corps globe and anchor. Beautifully identified in black and gold paint "US MARINES - 69th GUARD COMPANY - FRANCE 1918" with original liner and brown leather chin strap. **\$2,750**



Lot 77

US Army Tankers Helmet

A scarce US army tankers helmet with earflaps and brown russet liner. **\$650**

Lot 76

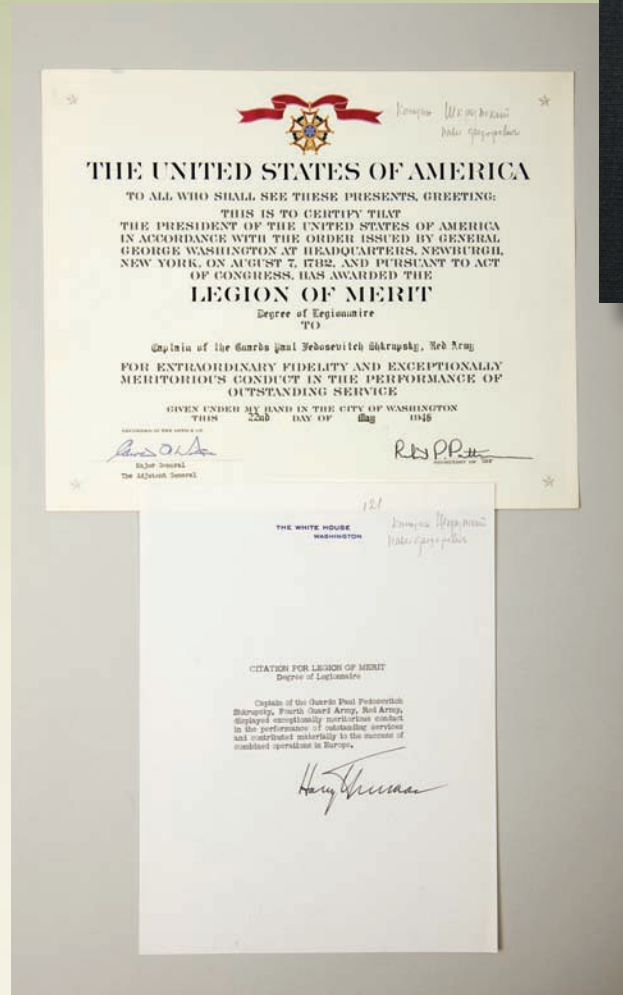
US Army 1st Infantry Helmet and Liner

A superb helmet and liner with hand painted lieutenant bars and 1st infantry within a shield. **\$175**

Lot 78

Pre-WWII numbered Soldier's Medal for Heroism and Certificate of Award signed by The US Secretary of war.

Corporal Emil Zychowski, Btry A, 62nd C.A. A very rare if not unique numbered soldiers medal for heroism #169 for a aviation rescue accompanied by six of his other medals including his Costal Artillery Ladder and his middle eastern Campaign Medals. **\$4,850**



Lot 79

World War II "Legion of Merit" Award Citation to a Russian Officer - White House letter signed by President Harry Truman letter dated 1946 to Soviet Major Paul Fedosevitch.

A very rare Allied Military group of presidential documents to a Russian officer at the end of WWII, only a few American Military Decorations were given to Russian Allied Forces, the paperwork was processed right after the war during the division of Europe into Zones by the allies and before the Cold War actually began. All of these documents came out of Russia after the fall of the Berlin Wall and have never been on the market before. Very rare (2) **\$6,500**

Lot 80

USMC soldier in Siberia.

A scarce full standing photograph of a WWI Marine during the Allied Expeditionary Force Occupation of Siberia during WWI accompanied by his Siberian Campaign Medals. **\$450**





Lot 81

USMC Female Sergeant Uniform and Dog Tag

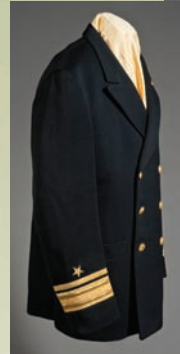
This uniform grouping consists of her skirt, which has her name stenciled on the waistband. This uniform was worn by USMCWFR, Anne Stachelski. Her jacket has USMC- EGA lapel insignia as well as collar tab, and coat buttons and her sergeants Chevrons on each shoulder. A scarce Marine Corp set accompanied by her 1943 dog tag. **\$650**



Lot 82

World War II Aircraft Mechanic's Uniform

Aviator Crew Uniform with leather coveralls reinforced to work on aircraft on the runway, with muslin aircraft mechanics tool apron and heavy winter boots. M **\$1,750**



Lot 83

Vietnam War - Joint Chiefs of Staff, Rear Admiral James Holloway III, ca. 1965-1978

A superb archive of Rear Admiral and Joint Chief of Staff James L. Holloway III, includes his Vietnam Service Navy Dress Blues uniform as Rear Admiral, his Vietnam Aviation Winter greens uniform as commander of the USS Enterprise, his Vietnam Aviator Coveralls as Flak officer and Chief of Naval Operations, and his Aviator Coversalls blue Flag Officer Admiral, as well as his Dress Hat, Cuff-links, and a magnificently "signed photograph" of the Joint Chiefs of Staffs. \$2,500

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Lot 84

D - Day Company of Twelve Soldiers, a monumental life-size WWII bronze sculpture

Fred Hoppe (20th Century), internationally renowned sculptor created the world's largest World War II Memorial. Cast entirely in bronze, this monumental sculpture is composed of a company of twelve U.S. Army soldiers charging Normandy Beach on D - Day, during the Allied Invasion that culminated with the end of World War II.

These life-size castings are each individually sculpted by the artist from the likeness of real life combat veterans, each are accompanied by their individual military records. This monumental outdoor sculpture, which is 24 feet long and weights 9,000 lbs. depicting soldiers life-size and mounted on a bronze base that is mounted on a steel frame for outdoor display, thus the sculpture is over 7 feet tall and 24 feet long. This masterpiece is of the utmost historic and national significance. It documents one of the most important moments and heroes in American Military History. M

\$750,000





Lot 85

**“No Man’s Land” Monumental World War I
Bronze Life-Size Sculpture**

This life-size full bronze sculpture depicts a U.S. Army soldier charging through “No Man’s Land” between trenches in World War I. Illustrative of the American soldier during trench warfare and very detailed from his 03’ Springfield rifle and bayonet to his uniform, backpack and shovel. Also sculpted from an actual World War I combat veteran, whose photographs and military records accompany this moving sculpture. Designed for interior or exterior display. Fred Hoppe (20th Century)

M **\$75,000**



Lot 86

**“Back to Back in the Combat Zone”
monumental Vietnam War bronze sculpture**

This internationally acclaimed artist created three monumental size, full bronze sculptures documenting World War I, World War II and the Vietnam War. This is a life-size sculpture of three U.S. Army soldiers “Back to Back in the Combat Zone” and portrays each one protecting the other in a fire fight. All three soldiers were sculpted by the artist from real life Vietnam combat veterans, their photographs and military records accompany this highly detailed sculpture. The three U.S. Army soldiers are each holding different, separately cast weapons that were most commonly used on Vietnam battlefields: AR-16 Colt rifle, M-60 machine gun and M-79 grenade launcher. Designed for interior or exterior display. Fred Hoppe (20th Century).

Dimensions are 6 feet around and 7 feet tall, weighs 1,000 lbs, price includes delivery within the continental United States. M **\$250,000**

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Lot 87

World War II British Dispatch Rider Rubberized Uniform With Helmet

Complete Uniform and helmet of a World War II British Dispatch Motorcycle Rider with helmet and photograph titled "Dispatch Riders await their orders." M **\$3,500**



Lot 88

World War II British Army Motorcycle

BSA Model 20 dispatch rider motorcycles made in 1940 were supplied to the armed forces by the British Small Arms factory. This motorcycle has been repainted green with modern paint. Wt. 500lbs. M **\$3,500**

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Lot 89

**Canadian Paratrooper
"Commando" Jacket**

A superb Paratrooper Officers Jacket with an embroidered parachute wings embroidered patch. In excellent condition. **\$750**



Lot 90

**Royal Canadian Electrical Engineer Uniform
Winter Coat and Medals**

Captain WB Curry's superb winter coat accompanied by his Insignia and Campaign Medals from World War II. **\$450**



Lot 91

Canadian Uniform

Dress Uniform with belts and insignias.

M \$750



Lot 92

Canadian Uniform

Royal Canadian Army officer's uniform exhibit includes belt, insignia and medals.

M \$1,250



Lot 93

Hitler's Silverware from the Eagles Nest

One of the few "full sets" of Hitler's silverware from the Eagles Nest. It was captured by a US Artillery Officer on May 8, 1945 from Hitler's famous retreat know as the "Eagles Nest" at Berchtesgaden. It is accompanied by a notarized letter by an officer in the 42nd Infantry Division stating that he went into Hitler's house where he found this full set of silver buried in debris. **\$4,500**





Lot 94

**RAD "Arbeitsdienst" Complete Uniform Set, ca. 1940's.
Anti-Aircraft Artillery/Flak units as well as fighting units
on the Russian Front**

The tunic is the 1940 pattern, made of very nice quality medium dark brown wool with closed type collar also made of dark brown wool, and piped in black with seven button front having silver pebbled buttons. The black piping goes down the front of tunic and cuffs, as well as on the sleeve. The collar has officer's pattern collar tabs that are hand embroidered in silver wire on black velvet and machine sewn to the collar. The shoulder boards have silver and black braid with two gold pips on each and black underlay for RAD rank of "Oberstfeldmeister" (Captain Rank). The left sleeve has the Assignment RAD patch for officer, silver braid with red 226 over 3 with black edging, for "Abteilung (Battalion) 3rd Section 226th Group", missing the Nazi Armband that would go under this shield. A RAD enamel stick pin is pinned to the left breast pocket. One of the buttons has come off, but is in pocket. The inside of the tunic is lined with a nice quality light brown silk rayon material that shows some wear and age and is loose in some spots. Has nice tailor label from "Georg Bolender" in Fulda, Germany. The breeches are of the same type and same color of matching wool and are very nice quality. The RAD Cap is very fine, early quality and made of medium brown wool with silver alumni piping on side and on visor with dark brown band in center. The RAD insignia is sewn to front with RAD traditional badge on the left side for "Arbeitsgau XXVII Baden." Inside is very nice and is lined with a light gold silk rayon material with the cap maker "Mayser" printed in the top of the cap, and it has a nice leather sweat band along with the maker's name. Overall the cap, tunic and breeches show field type wear and some age but very nice looking and very sound. The brown leather belt with open claw buckle and cross strap is also nice with similar field wear. The black leather boots are of fine quality leather and show normal field wear with some age, still very nice. Overall this uniform set is of high quality and very hard to find so complete. Set includes officer's cap, tunic with breeches, belt and boots. Accompanied by Letter of Authenticity by Anthony Jessen. **\$12,500**



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Lot 95

Russian Front - German Battlefield Uniform for Oberst Richard Josef Ianaz Stummer, 40th Signal Regiment (on Russian Front, ca. 1943)

This rare uniform is 100% authentic with all original insignia and nothing replaced. The tunic is a wartime service tunic, also worn in the field, made of excellent grey green smooth wool with dark green collar. Shoulder boards have light grey twisted braid with two gold pips and a metal number 40 on each for the 40th Signal Regiment. The boards have a lemon yellow underlay for Signal Troops. The breast eagle is hand embroidered in silver wire on dark green. It has loops for long ribbon bar and loops for two badges, with one set of the loops broken with his World War II Iron Cross. There is a Russian Front ribbon in second button hole. This wonderful tunic has a tailor tag in the top with maker "Karl Schulz," Dresden and a maker tag in inside pocket with owners name "Major Stummer" dated 15.7.40. Stummer served in the Imperial Austro-Hungarian Army in World War I and in the Czechoslovakian Signal Troop from 1925 to 1939. In May of 1939 he was in reserve status with the Army of the Third Reich and was called to active duty in June 1939. Some of his WWII Awards were the Iron Cross 1st Class, Iron Cross 2nd Class, War Merit Cross 2nd Class with Swords and the Russian Front Medal. At the end of the war he was a Full Colonel. This uniform includes his tunic, riding pant, hat, belt, high leather boots and his leather gloves. Oberst Stummer's records were located in the National Archives captured records of the Textual Reference Division in Washington, DC. In these records a letter states that Stummer was born in Leitmeritz, Sudetengau. After serving in World War I with the Imperial Austro-Hungarian Army, he served in the Czechoslovakian Signal Troops from 1925 to 1939. In June of 1939 he was called into active duty with the Army of the Third Reich. Accompanied by Letter of Authenticity by Anthony Jessen. **\$16,500**





Lot 135

Japanese Imperial Army Captured Medal "Order of the Golden Kite"

I purchased this Japanese Medal from a WWII veteran who found it in the Japanese Royal Osaka Mint. The order of the Golden Kite was first instituted by the Emperor of Japan to be awarded for extreme bravery. The medal is a beautiful piece of artwork consisting of three layers of enameled silver. It was captured by the 389th Regiment of the 98th US Army Division who demilitarized the Osaka area. They went into the vaults of the Royal Mint expecting to find money instead they found a tray of these medals which they distributed amongst themselves as war souvenirs. **\$950**



Lot 137

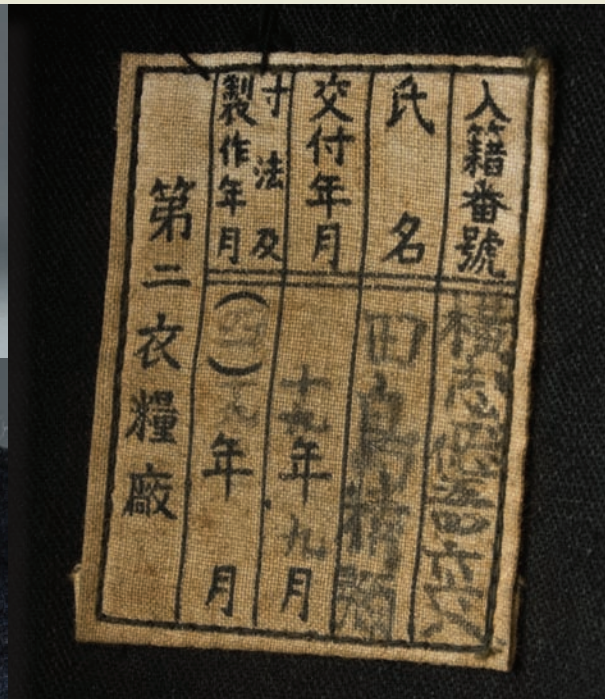
Japanese "Flag of Truce" Aerial Leaflet

Much rarer than European aerial leaflets, the Allied Forces in Asia and the Pacific Rim dropped these "Flag of Truce" leaflets by plane to encourage the surrender of Japanese troops, printed in English on one side and Japanese on the other. The leaflet describes to the soldier that upon surrender how they would be treated fairly under the Geneva Convention by American forces. 4 x 6 inches **\$250**



Lot 136

Japanese Imperial Flag on Silk, with White Leather Tips, 28 inches, ca. 1930's
..... **\$250**



Lot 138

Japanese Imperial Navy Officer's Uniform Set including Pants and Visor Hat, ca. 1930's

A superb naval officer's set from the Sino-Japanese war, which established Japan's naval superiority in the Pacific - enough so that they decided to attack Hawaii, just a few years later, in 1941. The hat has clothing depot markings in the crown. The Uniform, including the pants, are near mint condition. **\$3,500**



Lot 139

Japanese Diplomats Uniform and Shako of Ikeda Nagayasu relative of the Emperor of Japan – guided Japan’s Road to War - Building it’s Navy to control Asia and the Pacific

A historically important uniform worn by Japan’s Diplomat Ikeda Nagayasu at the London Naval Conference ca 1930. He aided in securing Japan’s naval power in the Pacific for the eventual war. He was a contemporary of Mitsubishi as well as Mitsui from the largest bank in pre war Japan; together they planned Japan’s naval supremacy and expansion on the Asian continent, and eventual ties with Germany and Italy to form the Axis.

Ikeda’s name is embroidered inside his hat, and his official court coat is a magnificent work of art, heavy gilt quatrefoil throughout and dark blue wool, and both are in excellent condition. Worn by him in the House of Lords, a rare and historical uniform of one of the main officer’s who led Japan to War. **\$8,500**



Lot 140

Extremely Rare Uniform of Admiral Mineichi Koga, Commander of Japan's Navy, ca. 1944

Admiral Koga was Commander in Chief of the Imperial Japanese Navy's Combined Fleet during World War II. Following the death of Admiral Yamamoto on April 19, 1943, Koga succeeded Yamamoto as Commander in Chief of the Combined Fleet. Admiral Koga's flagship was the battleship Musahi. He shared Yamamoto's misgivings about war with the United States. Having served as Vice Chief of the Navy General Staff, he was promoted to Vice Admiral shortly before the beginning of the Second Sino-Japanese War in 1937. He also served as Commander of the IJN 2nd Fleet in 1939 and was placed in command of the China Area Fleet in 1941, commanding naval operations during the capture of Hong Kong. Koga was killed when his plane crashed during a typhoon between Palau and Davao on March 31, 1944. His plane crash began a series of events in a rush to capture his original plans for a decisive navy battle with the American Fleet, known as the Z Plan. Both sides knew he had the plans with him when his plane went down, the Americans got the plans from Philippine Guerillas that found them when they washed ashore, bringing about the defeat of the Japanese Fleet. Admiral Koga's uniform includes tunic with ribbons and silver embroidered shoulder bars & augulet, pants, Admirals hat with gold gilt embroidery and gold metal star, and his white gloves - still inside the coat. Certainly the most historically important Japanese Commander's uniform to ever be offered. \$37,500

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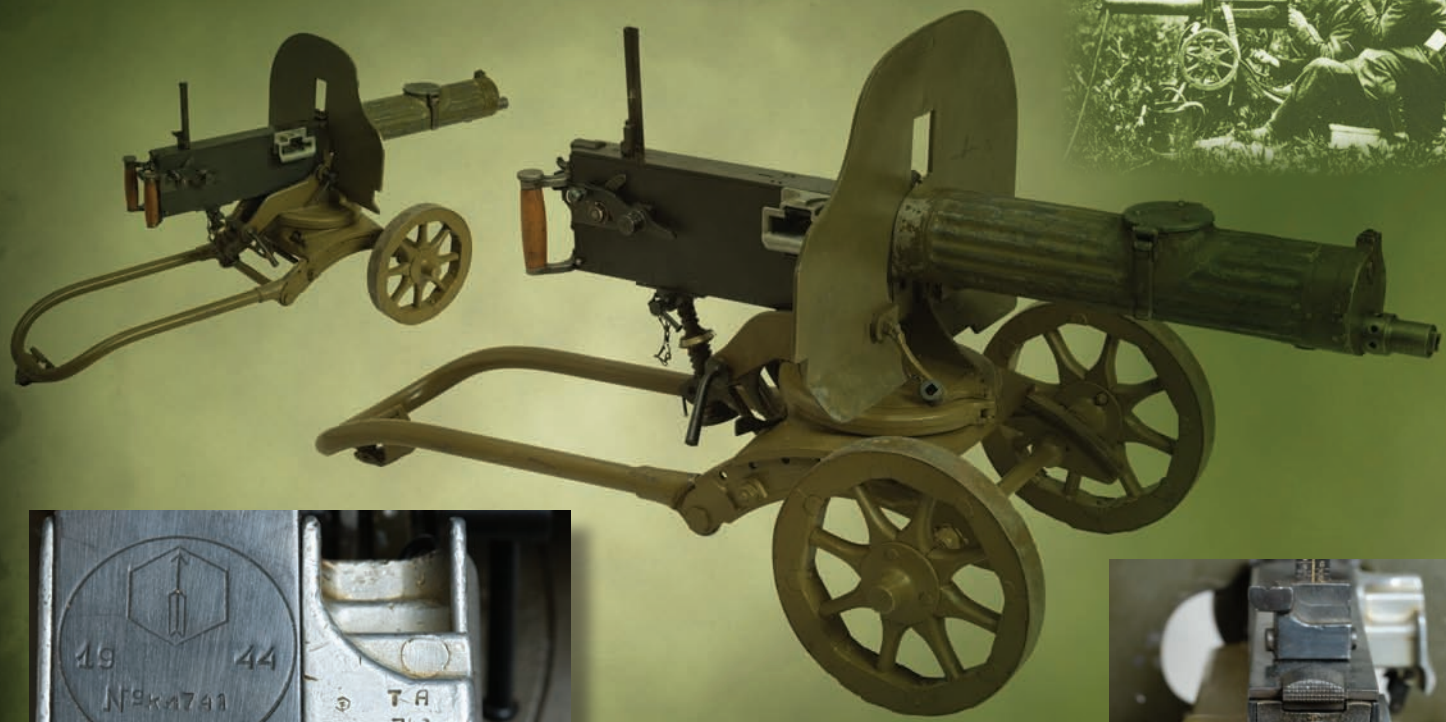
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WWII WEAPONS



Lot 141

Soviet Army — “Maxim” 1944 Machine Gun used on the Eastern Front

The famous “Maxim” heavy machine gun, complete with oil/water/ammo cans on steel carriage with wheels. Clearly dated 1944 on top of the receiver during the height of the war on the eastern front in which over 30 million people lost their lives; this was the most fierce battle line of the entire war. Mounted with a heavy gun shield, it is the gun that defended Stalingrad as it could fire 600 belt fed 7.62x54mm rounds per minute. Sold by the government of Finland to the American market shortly after WW II, completely demilled, non firing no gun part museum display of a most historic World War II weapon that helped turn back the German Invasion of Russia. \$3,750.

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