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The Presidents Message

Hello All,

The NRA Show was a blast for those of us that were there. Ted Campbell was awarded three NRA medals for his wonderful display of miniatures. Many thanks to Ted & Betty Campbell, and David & Zavie Kucer, for their many hours spent manning the MAS booth, answering thousands of questions, and showing the public their wonderful treasures. Educating the public is one of the most important things I feel we can do as a club, and this is a venue where we really get a chance to show what we do to tens of thousands of interested people.

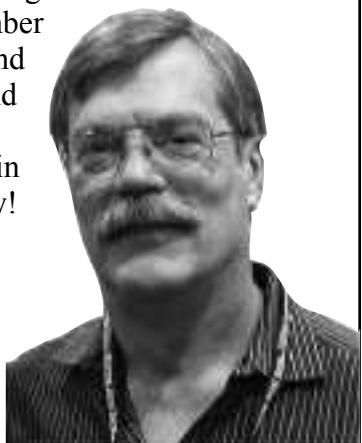
Please take a look at our new MAS Polo shirts and the new Paterson capper keyfob/pendants which are featured in this issue. These are a great way to help support our club and show your friends you collect miniatures. A real big thanks to Michael Mirman who used one of Hersch Kopp's Paterson capper pendants as the model, and had them remade in bronze and sterling silver for the club at his cost for materials and nothing for his labor. THANKS MIKE!!!

I've had a busy year with shows across the country. Interest in miniatures seems to be up and growing slowly but steadily. Now that Summer is here, I'm looking forward to the normal slowdown. It's time I get to spend with family and friends. As I write this, I'm in California visiting relatives. This past weekend my sons and I attended the annual Nevada Light Artillery shoot in Fallon, Nevada hosted by MAS member Vic Williams. What a blast we had! We are all now official Gunnery Sargents, having qualified and shown proficiency in properly loading and shooting muzzle loading cannons of 2" bore or larger. Nick got to shoot a 1863 3" British Whitworth breech loading cannon as used by the CSA during the Civil War. We shot lots of sub machine guns and several World War II belt feds. I have photos and videos and will try to get some of them posted on my website when I get home.

There are elections being held at all areas of government all over the country. Please remember to vote, and to vote for people who will defend and support our rights to collect, own, and shoot firearms.

I look forward to seeing you somewhere in my travels. Until then, keep your powder dry!

Regards,
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From the Editor

First of all thanks to all those who contributed to this issue. The Show News reports, and photos, the gun and shop articles are essential to keeping this Journal alive.

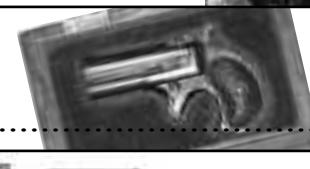
That said, however, if you look at the table of contents to the right, my name comes up waaaaay too often. I can't keep this up.

I need your help.

Nuff said.

All the best,
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Letters



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Jim Kelly's Email

Mr. Urso -

I joined last Spring, attended the NRA show.

My email is: jkellymetal@gmail.com should you choose to include it in MAJournal

Jim Kelly

Werner E. Emrich Email

Hi Bob,

I don't think I ever provided my E-mail address to be included in the magazine.

It's lionel2341@yahoo.com

Thanks, Werner E. Emrich

Carmen On the Go...

Bob,

As usual i'm staying too busy. Currently working on Kolibri cartridges. I have only to make the anvils for the primer cups. I took the time to install indicators for the tailstock, saddle, and cross slide of my lathe.

I hope to get back to my Reid miniatures after the cartridges are completed. Another side project is an elliptical chuck. This will cause the lathe to produce an elliptical

shaped part instead of a circular part.

Have you ever heard of a Rose Engine Lathe? These were ornamental lathes produced during the 19th century. There is a fellow by the name of David Lindow who is producing a modern version of this lathe. I am going to Scranton, PA in September to see this lathe.

That's all for now.

Carmen Gianforte

A Hi from the Whichards

Hi Bob,

You know we appreciate so much all you do to support MAS--your journal is the glue that holds us all together--Kennith says that without it, there would be no MAS!

We enjoyed having you in our home; you're welcome anytime--maybe then you could even cook one of those Italian meals you described when you were here.

Come again soon,
Kennith & Coral

New Members

Be sure to welcome our new members from around the world

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Dear Bob, sorry for the delay, but I was waiting for the issue of the Strelleka Revue magazine, which I have enclosed some photos. CAPTIONS OF THE GARNITURE SET. The magnificently cased five-piece garniture of gold-mounted arms by the premier arms maker of early 19th century France, Nicolas-Noel Boutet of Versailles, comprises one carabine, two pairs of pistols, with an assembly of tools and accoutrements and bear five extraordinary paper labels noting



presentations of other Boutet arms by Premier Consul Bonaparte in 1803 to Don Federico Gravina y Nápoli (1756-1806), Don Federico Moyua, Captain of the San Telmo; Captain d'Spinola of the San Joaquin, Don Diego Butron y Cortés, Capitan of the Vigilante; and Captain Castillo of the Nuestra Señora de la Atocha. This garniture was made by Antonio Rincón at 1/3 at scale. All the best, Antonio. antoniorincommuniature@hotmail.com

Mini sold at Herman Historica Auction.



ED. The Flintlock, shown above, was Lot No. 554 at the April 23 Herman Historica auction. It was described as follows.

Miniature flintlock pistol, *Ordonnanzwaffe Prussian style, richly detailed, moving in all parts of reproduction. From octagonal to round barrel, length 95 mm. Total length 155 mm. Walnut full stock with brass furniture. Wooden ramrod. OAL 4"*



ED. A good view of the action in a "Depose" knuckleduster. On the right note the tiny wire spring that pushes the trigger forward.



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Alice's Corner

Alice McGinnis

We have had a very busy spring going to the shows, etc. At the NAMES show there just happened to be a quilt shop across the street. You guessed right, I like to quilt (check with Paul Hamler, Dave Butler and Bob Shutt, they had to look at all my purchases and ooh and ahh!!). On another note, Marcia Butler likes to knit. Mary Kucer is a master in stain glass. My point is unless you all get some articles to Bob Urso for the Journal we ladies might just have to send Bob our articles!!!

We would like to continue a section on different members. If you remember, the last issue highlighted Jim Foley's life. It included his early life in the war, etc. Are there any members who would like to send something in on their life, including their interest in miniatures? If you don't feel you are a good enough writer we would be pleased to help edit any article you submit if you wanted the help. We are looking for pictures of your shop, your miniatures, etc. Let's make Bob's job easier!

It seems all the shows come at one time. Our next show is the local steam show in the Wisconsin Dells area in August. We are planning to attend the Vegas Antique Show in January. As you will read in this issue Sherline is looking for some miniatures to display in their museum. They would like a commitment of one year. We plan to drive to Vegas and continue on to San Diego to take some miniatures to them for the museum.

If you would submit something we'd be glad to coordinate this for you. Just let us know. Sherline said they would pay for all shipping, insurance, etc. for whatever is submitted. Here is our chance to get the word out of Miniature Arms Society. We hope we have a good response for this opportunity.

Alice McGinnis

CRAFTSMANSHIP MUSEUM REQUEST

We have a special request from the Joe Martin Foundation for Exceptional Craftsmanship

that the Miniature Arms Society consider putting some of our miniature guns/knives on display in their Museum. If you recall, David Kucer and Michel Lefavre have been featured as Craftsman of the year in recent years.

Craig Libuse told us they would want the display for one year. They would pay for shipping and insurance to their headquarters in San Diego. This seems like a wonderful opportunity for Miniature Arms to get more visibility. At this time we are considering taking some of our miniatures to them after the Las Vegas Antique Show in January. If anyone would like to consider sending something they can contact us (mcginnr@chorus.net) or 608-798-2860 or Craig Libuse (craig@sherline.com) or 760-727-5857.

To check out the Museum look at Sherline's Web Site at www.craftsmanshipmuseum.com. Craig indicated they redesign their Museum periodically and would really like to feature miniature guns/knives etc. Please consider displaying some of your treasures.

Upcoming



Events

Baltimore Antique Arms Show, March 16 & 17, 2013

North American Model Engineering Expo, April 20 & 21, 2013 at Wyandotte, MI.

NRA Annual Meeting, May 3, 2013 at Houston, TX

Baltimore Antique Arms Show, March 15 & 16, 2014

NRA Annual Meeting, April 25-27, 2014 at Indianapolis, IN.

For more information, contact Bob or Alice McGinnis
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News... Timonium Gun Show

We arrived in Timonium Friday afternoon in time to join the others who were setting up for the show and enjoy supper together at the Nautilus, an excellent "silver diner" just up the street.

I can't prove it with photos from that evening, but there were several of us, including Zavie, David and Mary Kucer, Alice and Bob McGinnis, Ron Olsen, Kenneth and me. The menu was enormous, but many chose the excellent Maryland Style crabcakes--very little "filler" and loads of lump crab meat--and two desserts that were shared by anyone who wanted a taste!

Everyone seemed well-pleased with the gun show. As always, there was good attendance and lots of interesting and historical exhibits. The MAS table was well-manned by Alice and Bob, who had many beautiful pieces on display. In other areas of the hall were Zavie, David and Mary Kucer with their beautifully built pieces, Wayne Driscoll with two tables loaded with fascinating miniatures he was ready to educate about and possibly sell, as well as Peter and Wendy Dyson, who arrived from England with their beautiful works and tools, and Ron Weingarten with an interesting exhibit, also. I think any miniature arms enthusiast would have been impressed to see so many displayed in so many

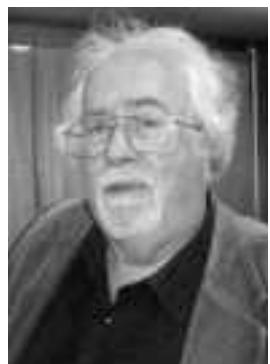
areas at the Timonium show!

There, you have it all now, If you couldn't make it, we missed you in Timonium, but hope to catch up with you all next time.

Take care,
Coral Whichard



Other members spotted at various shows included (left) Paul Hammler, Top Bob Shutt with Bob and Alice, and below-Right Jim Kelly.



On the left are photos taken Saturday night at another great Timonium restaurant, The Silver Spring Mining Company. As you can see, my little cell phone camera and I did our best to capture one side at a time. In the top photo are David and Mary Kucer, Alice and Bob McGinnis, and Ron Olsen. The bottom photo shows Kenneth Whichard, Wayne Driscoll, Victor Visalli and his sweet wife, and Zavie Kucer.



Left: a Tom Weston, Winchester with ivory stock, and engraved frame.

News... 2012 Baltimore Antique Arms Show

From Alice and Bob McGinnis

Once again the Baltimore Antique Arms Show was a huge success. The weather was awesome. Cherry trees were in full bloom and many members attended: Wayne Driskill, Kenneth and Coral Whichard, David, Mary and Zavie Kucer, Carl Toppel, Vic and Flo Visalli, Jerry and Becky Mis-simer, Theresa and Charlie Williams, Ron Weingarten, Harland Woods, Bill Noble, Ron Olson, Bruce Feinberg, and Bob and Alice McGinnis.

We picked up a new member: Ken Kolt, 4897 Foxlair Trail, Richmond Heights, Ohio, 44143. Ken is a member of the Sharps Collector Assoc. and a collector of miniature pin fires. Welcome to the Miniature Arms Society, Ken.

Dan White stopped by with his flint-knapping display. He'd been at our table a few years back as a teenager showing what he had accomplished at that time. This year his display was incredible. Dan is featured in the Sherline Craftsmanship Museum (www.craftsmanshipmuseum.com)

If you've never attended this show it is certainly worth the trip. The 2013 Show is March 16 & 17. We had the good fortune to visit friends we made last year on our trip, Ken Kranzsuch in Alabama, and Bob Rothen and Hunter Davidson who both live in Maryland. Very enjoyable!



Left: Kenneth Whichard, and his lovely wife Coral , who is trying to teach him how to smile when he has a picture taken.

Below: Our always smiling MAS president, Wayne Driskill.



Right: a couple of Henry Loos mini knives.



Below: David Kucer at his table, always happy to talk minis.



Teresa and Charles Williams with Bill Nobel



Karl Toppel



Dan White with Bob McGinnis



Hunter Davidson



Above: an impressive group of flint-knapped mini arrow heads by Dan White.

Left: Jerry Missmer brought along some of his excellent mini knives for all to see.

Below: Antique, muff pistols, possibly made in England.



Above: a mini tomahawk and dagger by Hernry Loos.

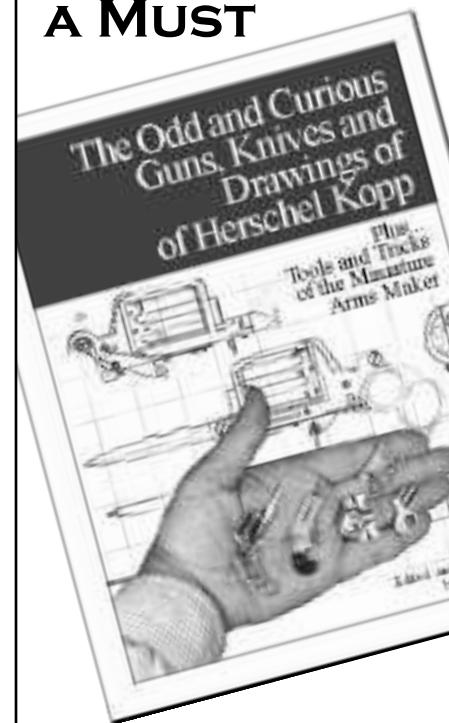


Becky and Jerry Missmer



The two Rons, Weingarten and Olsen

HERSCHEL KOPP BOOK A MUST



Here's a chance to see the beautiful guns, sketches, and writings of one of the founding members of the Society, Herschel Kopp.

This 96 page, soft bound book costs \$20 per copy plus a shipping and handling charge per book of \$4 for USA, addresses, and \$8 outside the USA. Checks made to the Miniature Arms Society, should be sent to

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News...2012 NRA Show-Pittsburgh

Hi Bob,

Here are the photos of this years NRA convention. As usual our booth was a big hit with everyone.

If you look close you can see a picture of Glen Beck, who went by our booth on Saturday. On the right is a photo of me, Phil Schreier, senior curator NRA museum and Jim Supica museum director.

There are good pictures of David's and Zavie's work. Plus pictures of miniatures Wayne brought and some of my guns.

I want to give a special thanks to my loving wife (shown below) for being a big help in setting up , tearing down and running the MAS booth this year. She definitely is a keeper!

Regards,
Ted campbell



*Above:
David Kucer
at the MAS
booth.*



*Jim Supica NRA museum director, Phil Schreier,
senior curator Ted Campbell.*



*Above: a hard working
Mrs. Ted Campbell, keeper
of the MAS booth.*



*Above: President Wayne Driskill and Zavie Kucer in a seri-
ous discussion at the MAS booth.*



Silver Medal Winners

This years crop of NRA Silver Medal winners for miniatures was unusual for two reasons: all were presented to Ted Campbell, and a non firearm won a medal.



For the first time, a medal was awarded to a non gun, when it was given for this Al Osterman mini rifling machine.

Medal # 76 was for a 1/6th scale rifling machine by Al Osterman. Circa 1989. The rifling machine is pictured in "The Art of Miniature Firearms" book on page 318. This might be the first item given a silver medal that wasn't a fully completed firearm. But this piece is an exceptional item that the judges truly liked.



Medal # 77 is for a beautiful 1/3rd scale Remington O/U Derringer made by David Kucer.

Medal # 78 is for a Marlin 1893 rifle in very small scale. Made by a unknown jeweler from Buffalo New York. It is also pictured in the book on page 247. Thanks to Bob McGinnis for making the oil can

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Above: Ted Campbell and Ted Campbell and Ted Campbell accepting Silver Medals.

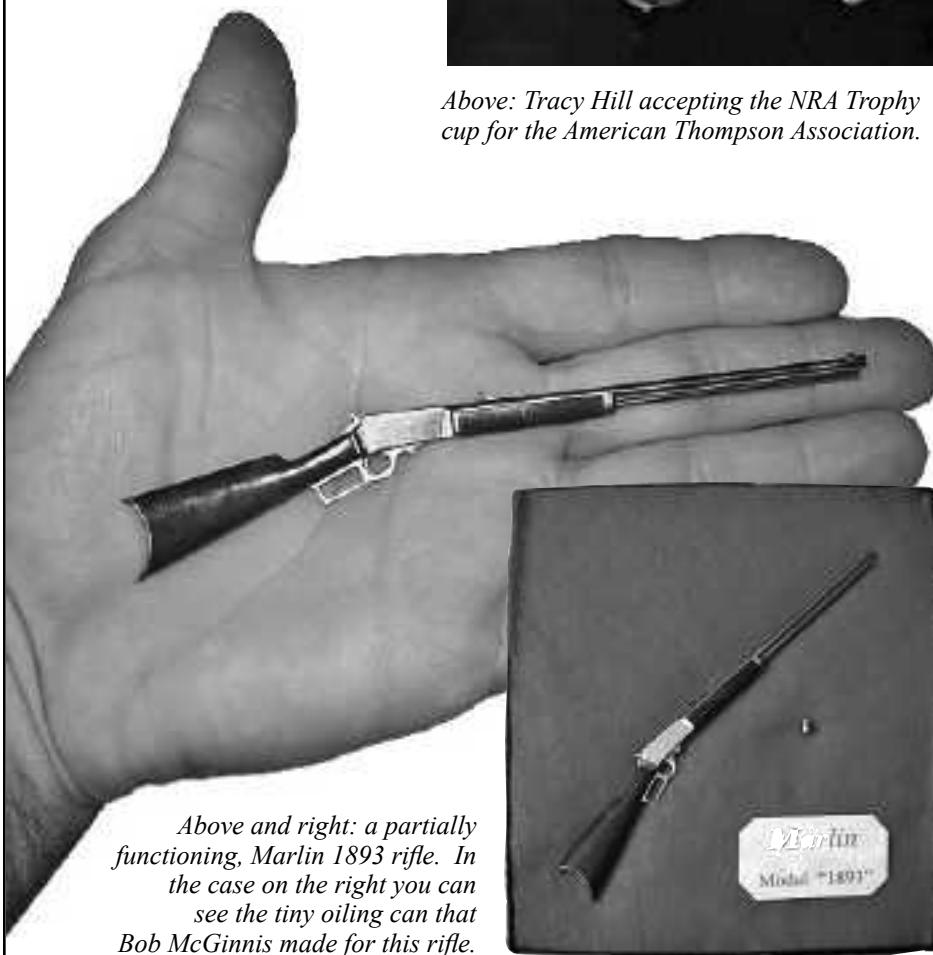
that is in perfect scale for this gun. It is hard to believe that the to unscrews!

The winner of the NRA trophy cup (The big award) was won by "The American Thompson Association" for their display titled "The Evolution of the Sub-Machine Gun". Below is MAS member Tracy Hill and the gang winning that trophy.

Regards,
Ted Campbell



Above: Tracy Hill accepting the NRA Trophy cup for the American Thompson Association.



Above and right: a partially functioning, Marlin 1893 rifle. In the case on the right you can see the tiny oiling can that Bob McGinnis made for this rifle.

Miniature Western Al Shelton Holster



Hi Bob, I thought you would like to see my neat little Western holster made by Al Shelton. This holster is hand carved with incredible detail to scale and the stitching is really amazing. It is just under 3" long. It has Al's stamp on the back which says "HAND MADE BY AL SHELTON - LEATHER ARTIST STUDIO CITY - L.A. CALIF.".

Al is known as cowboy artist to the stars. His work is collected by many Hollywood celebrities including Tom Sellack, Gene Autry, President Ronald Reagan and many others.

He started doing leather work in 1943. He worked for a short time with Rowell's Saddlery. After that, he took a job with Ed Bohlin. Al learned from and worked for some of the top names in leather-craft. What also makes this miniature holster neat is it is dated on the back, "1963". This is a perfect addition for one of those 1/5 scale silver Kopp - Baez Colt single action army.

I'll send more stuff soon.

Regards, Ted Campbell

A GORDON HEASMAN REVOLVER

BY:
BOB
URSO

Recently, member Ron Olsen sent me this interesting revolver to see if I could get the double-action working again. In talking to Ron on the phone, I learned that it was made by noted English miniature gun maker Gordon Heasman, and it appears on page 192 of "The Art of Miniature Firearms."

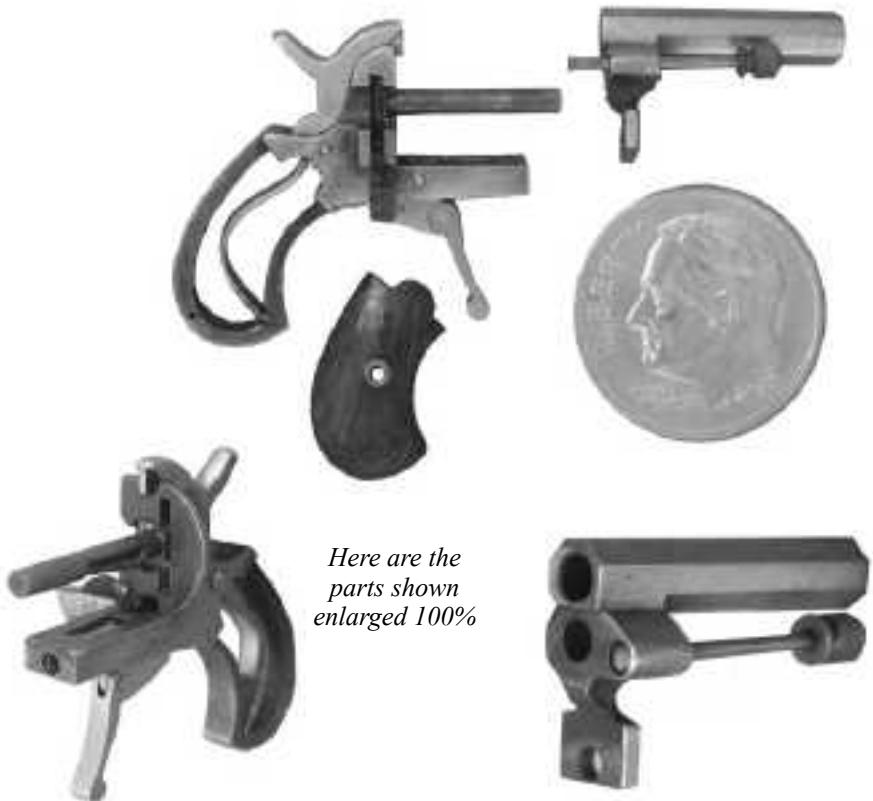
The problem was a bent hand that kept catching, preventing the hammer from traveling back far enough to release from the sear. A simple fix.

In taking the gun apart, I was very impressed with the clean finish, and sharp edges. The machining was so well done, that little finishing with sandpaper seemed necessary, thus preventing the edges from rounding off.

On this page are several photos I took while the gun was in pieces. On the bottom left, we can see the gun and parts shown actual size. VERY IMPRESSIVE! On the lower right are the parts shown enlarged, so you can get a better look at the accuracy of the detail.



Above: the parts shown actual size.



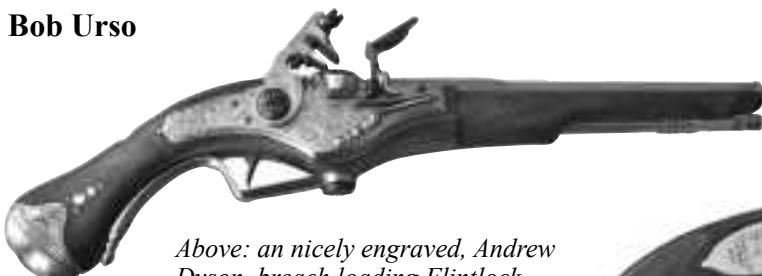
Here are the parts shown enlarged 100%

Miniatures From The Whichard Collection

Part 3 - Flintlock and Percussion Pistols

Here is the third installment of guns from the Ken and Coral Whichard collection. After spending three days shooting photos, of the bulk of the collection, in September of 2011, I am finally finished, editing, silhouetting, and retouching the photos. In this issue we are featuring the pre-cartridge, flintlock, and percussion hand guns. The quality of the collection is obvious when you look at the photos of the pistols, and the names of the makers. Only the best. Kucer, Hutchens, Stanek. Enjoy, and we will have much, much more in issues to come.

Bob Urso



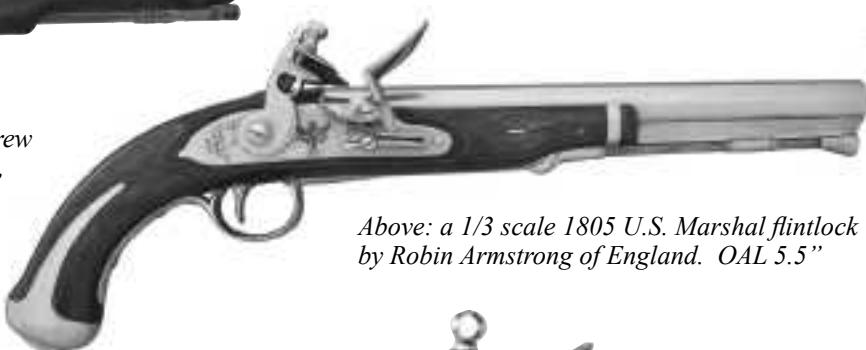
Above: an nicely engraved, Andrew Dyson, breach loading Flintlock, OAL 7-7/8"

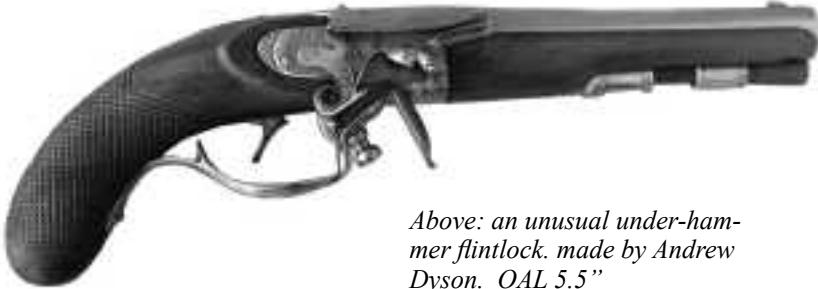


Above: a 1/3 scale Scottish, all metal pistol, cased with accessories, made by Stanley Blashak. OAL 5.5in



Above: Shown actual size is a 1/3 scale flintlock by Gordon Heasman. It is the gun shown on page 192 of the MAS "The Art of Miniature Firearms" book.



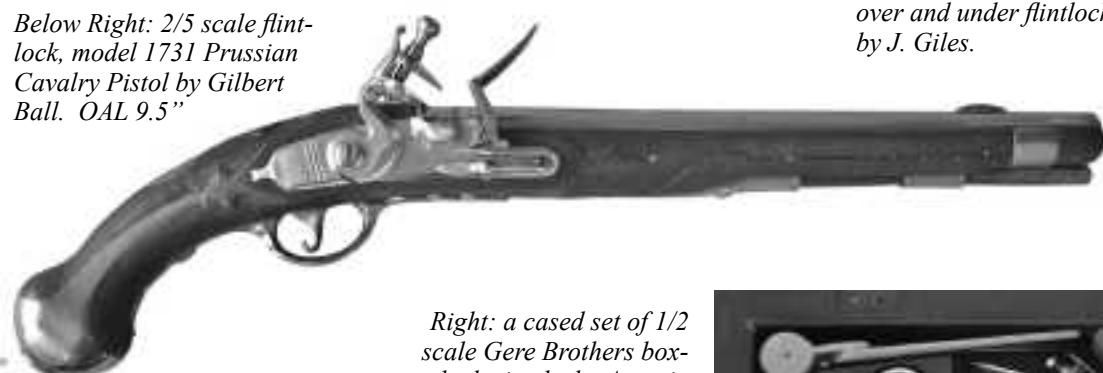


Above: an unusual under-hammer flintlock, made by Andrew Dyson. OAL 5.5"



Above: shown actual size, a 1/4 scale Tap-action over and under flintlock cased with accessories, by J. Giles.

Below Right: 2/5 scale flintlock, model 1731 Prussian Cavalry Pistol by Gilbert Ball. OAL 9.5"



Right: a cased set of 1/2 scale Gere Brothers box-lock pistols by Antonio Rincon of Columbia. OAL 3.5"

Right: Shown actual size, a one of a kind, John Cooper 1/4 scale Box-lock folding trigger pistol with screw off barrel.



Left: Rare for any collection, is a John Cooper pistol. (shown actual size) a 1/4 scale Flintlock Pistol. This was the only one of this pistol that John made. Below is the pistol shown enlarged.



Right: a cased set of 1/4 scale 1798 Boutet dueling pistols, with a large assortment of accessories, by Antonio Rincon of Columbia. OAL 4"





Above: two views of Flintlock self-loader by Andrew Dyson. Note the belt loop, nice engraving, and wire inlaid stock. OAL 5.5"



Above: a set of 1/3rd scale blunderbuss flintlock pistols by Stanley Blashak. OAL 4.75"



Above: 1/4 scale Wogdon Duelling pistol with Shoulder Stock by Andrew Dyson. OAL 4"



Above: 1/2 scale Brescia (Italy) Snaphance Pistol by an unknown maker, formerly in the Sam Weill Jr. collection. OAL 8.75"

Right: a cased set of 1/3 scale Colonial Flintlock pistol with rosewood grips by Stanley Blashak OAL 6"



Right: shown actual size, a tiny 1/5 scale Traveler's Flintlock pistol by Stanley Blashak. Cased with accessories and ivory stock. OAL 3"



Below: A trio of Stanly Blashak, ivory stocked flintlock pistols.

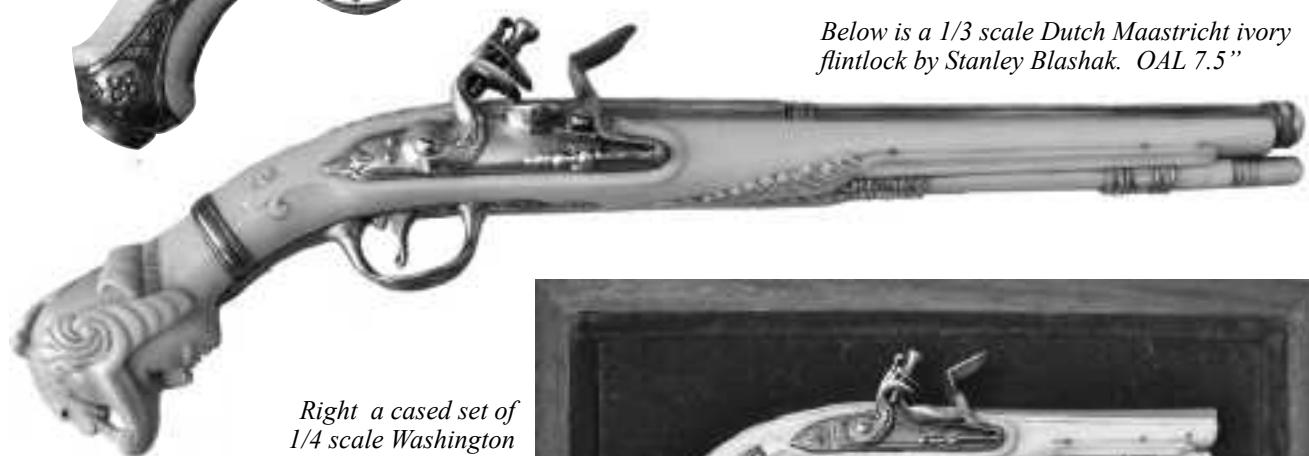
The first (below) is a 1/4 scale Washington Flintlock with ivory stock. OAL 5"



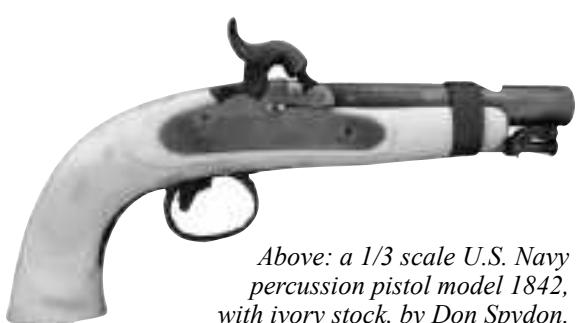
Below: a 1/4 scale Washington Flintlock with ivory stock by Stanley Blashak OAL 5"



Below is a 1/3 scale Dutch Maastricht ivory flintlock by Stanley Blashak. OAL 7.5"

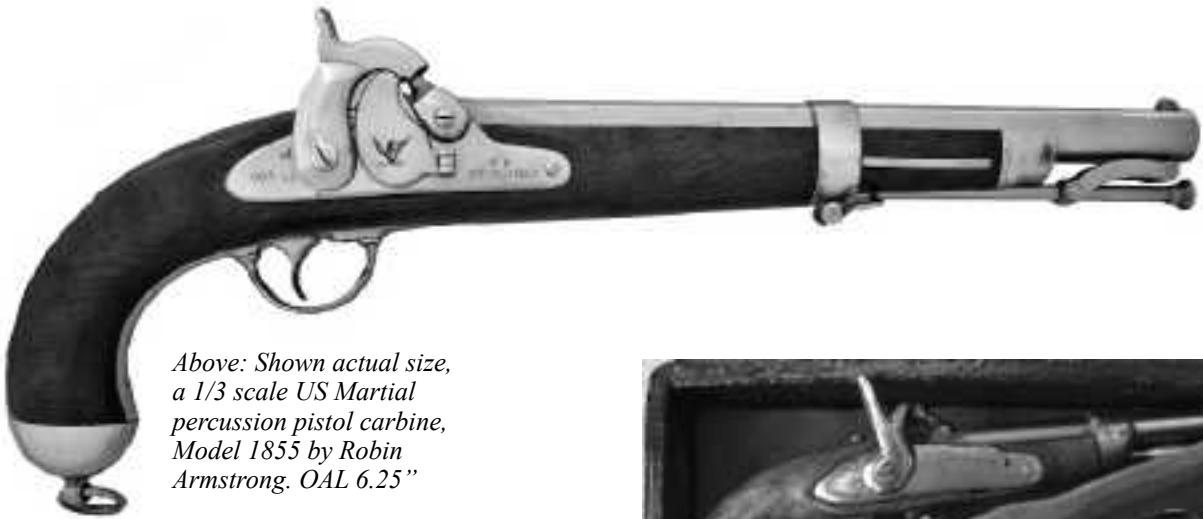


Right a cased set of 1/4 scale Washington Flintlock pistols with ivory stock by Stanley Blashak OAL 5"



Above: a 1/3 scale U.S. Navy percussion pistol model 1842, with ivory stock, by Don Spydon. OAL 4 1/8"





*Above: Shown actual size,
a 1/3 scale US Martial
percussion pistol carbine,
Model 1855 by Robin
Armstrong. OAL 6.25"*



*Right: Shown actual
size, a cased set of
1/4 scale French
Percussion pistols.*



*Right: Shown enlarged,
a cased set of 1/5 scale
1845 Jos. Horkom Back-
Action percussion pistol
by Antonio Rincon. OAL
of each pistol is 2-7/8in.*





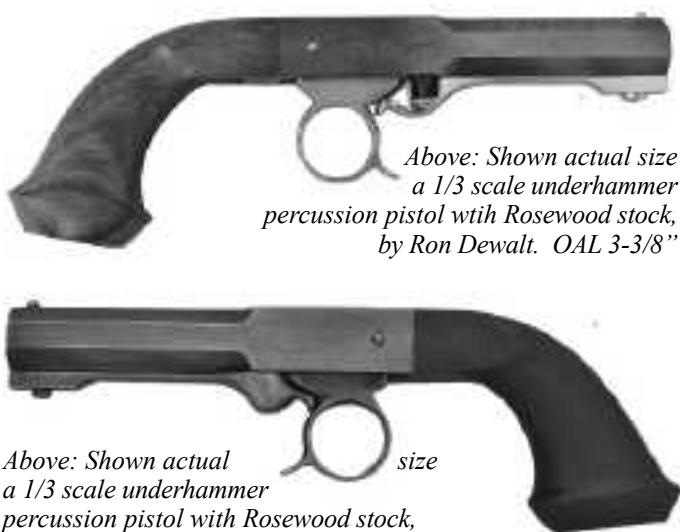
Above: This is not a miniature, but a small, antique Tap-Action percussion pistol, cased with ivory accessories in a leather bound book. OAL pistol 3-7/8"



Above: Shown actual size, a 1/3 scale Phila Derringer with ivory stock by Bob Urso. Cased with powder flask. OAL 1-5/8"



Above: Shown actual size, a 1/4 scale underhammer percussion pistol with ivory stock, by Ron Dewalt. OAL 2.5"



*Above: Shown actual size
a 1/3 scale underhammer
percussion pistol with Rosewood stock,
by Ron Dewalt. OAL 3-3/8"*



*Left: Shown actual size,
a cased set of Wogdon
Flintlock Duelling Pistols
by David Hicks of
England. OAL 3-3/4"*

LITTLE ALL RIGHT

BY BOB URSO

Although not a miniature, the tiny "Little All Right Palm Pistol" has always intrigued me. I'm a sucker for odd and curious guns, and the grip-less profile of this pistol, along with the fact that the trigger is at the top of the barrel, making it a "squeezer" or palm pistol, certainly puts it in that category.

The Little All Right was patented by Edward Boardman and Andrew Peavy in 1876. On the top of the barrel is a slotted tube which holds a sliding trigger. The trigger folds down the front of the barrel, as a muzzle cover, when is not in the firing or "pull" position. To fire the revolver you hold it in the palm of your hand, the end of the barrel resting on

the second finger, the forefinger being placed around the "pull" that, when pulled back, fires the revolver.

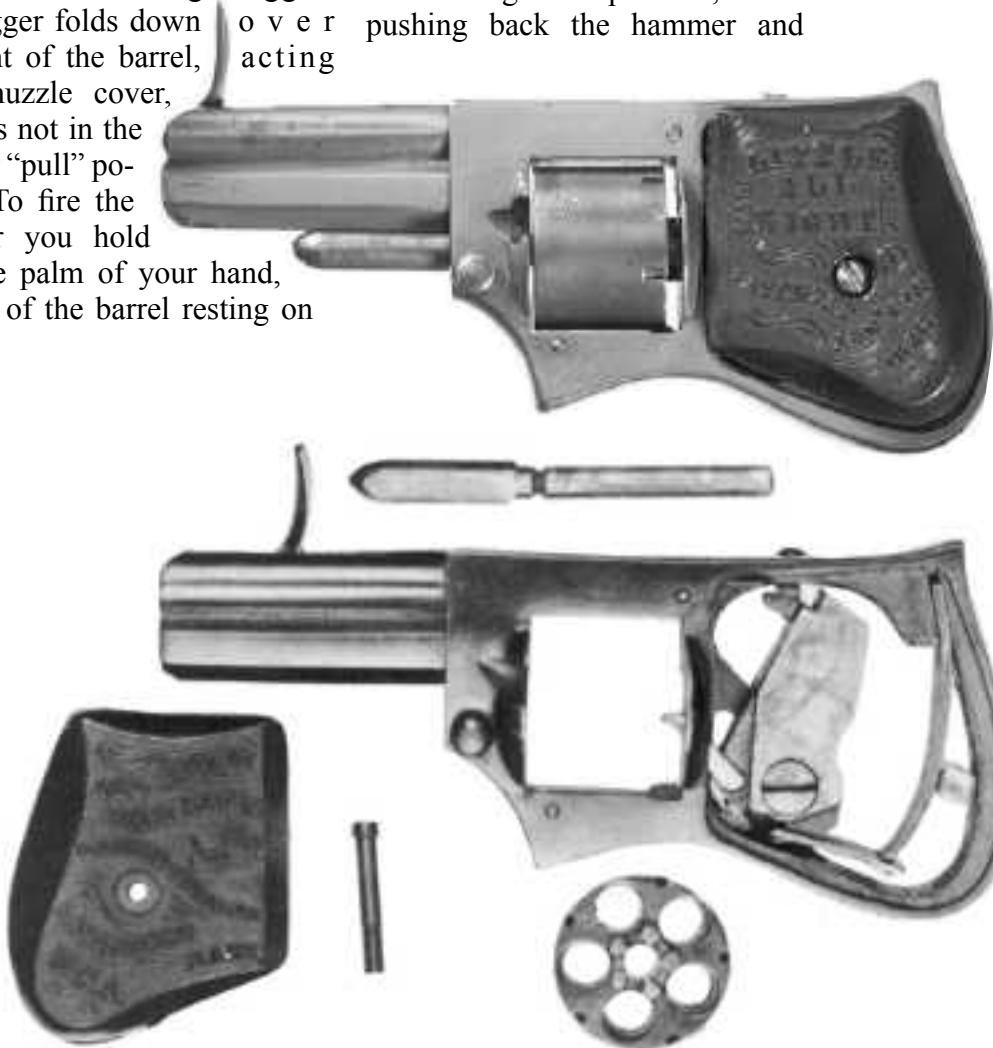
There are no markings on the frame other than a serial number. The hard rubber grips are marked "LITTLE / ALL / RIGHT / PATENTED / JAN'Y 18 / 1876" on the left and "ALL RIGHT FIREARMS / CO. / MANUFACTURERS / LAWRENCE / MASS. / U.S.A." on the right.

The gun fires .22 caliber rimfire cartridges, and is double action. Each pull of the trigger rotates the cartridge into position, while pushing back the hammer and

releasing it. The gun below was recently offered for auction and described as follows.

Very fine with approximately 75% of the original nickel finish remaining with some minor frost and some minor flaking. The cylinder is void of finish and has turned a brown patina. The grips are excellent with a few minor dings. The raised lettering is clear and crisp. Mechanically needs work. It sold for \$2500.

On the right is the original Boardman and Peavy patent.



Photo's left and below show the Little All Right actual size. The barrel is 1.75" long.

Left: a good view of the double action firing mechanism of this gun.

The .22 caliber, rimfire, five shot cylinder must be removed from the gun for loading, by pressing the button on the lower left of the frame which releases the cylinder retention pin.

E. P. BOARDMAN & A. J. PEAVEY.

REVOLVING FIRE-ARM.

No. 172,243. Patented Jan. 18, 1876.

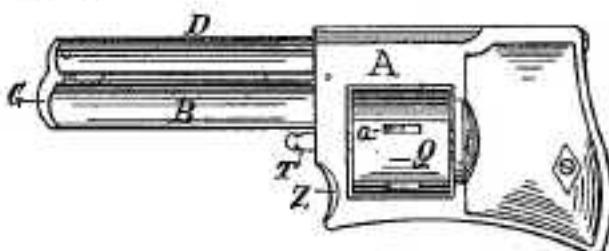


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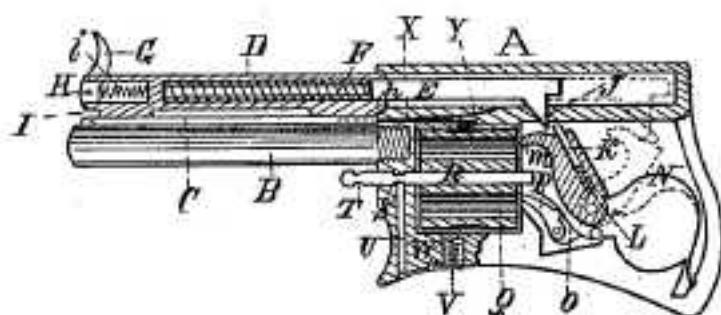


Fig.2.

Witnesses,
Ferrel Subbaw,
Alfred Scott

Inventor:
Edward P. Boardman,
Andrew J. Peavey,
Geo C. Shaw,
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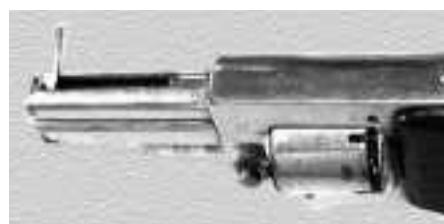
If you compare the original design as shown in the patent drawing, with the action of the production model, you'll note several important improvements. First of all, the hammer was redesigned to have more heft, making sure that it had enough striking force to ignite the rimfire cartridges. The spring design was also modified to change the direction of its tension, and also so that a thicker, stronger main spring could be used. Finally the cylinder pin release button is missing in the original patent drawing.

All in all a rare, and very interesting firearm. The only thing better would be a mini. Half scale maybe?

Bob Urso



Above: a view of the trigger folded down over the muzzle. This would prevent it from catching on pockets, etc when concealed. Below is a top view of the trigger in the ready to fire position.



LITTLE ALL RIGHT PISTOL

Squeezed pistol
Weight: 8 oz.
Barrel Length: 1.875 inches
Capacity: 5 shots
Caliber: .22 rimfire



USA

The Little All Right Pistol is an oddity in the category of palm- or squeezer-type pistols. Originally classified by the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms as a "curio and relic," the Little All Right is now declassified and considered an "antique." Inset shows the trigger turned up for firing.

On the left is the Little All Right featured on one of the cards in a set showing a select group of interesting firearms.

Antonio Rincón Garniture Set



This garniture was made by Antonio Rincón of Columbia, at 1/3 scale. It is based on a magnificently cased five-piece garniture of gold-mounted arms by the premier arms maker of early 19th century France, Nicolas-Noel Boutet of Versailles, comprises one carabine, two pairs of pistols, with an assembly of tools and accoutrements, and bear five extraordinary paper labels noting presentations of other Boutet arms by Premier Consul Bonaparte in 1803 to Don Federico Gravina y Nápoli (1756-1806), Don Federico Moyua, Captain of the San Telmo; Captain d'Spinola of the San Joaquin, Don Diego Butron y Cortés, Capitan of the Vigilente; and Captain Castillo of the Nuestra Señora de la Atocha.



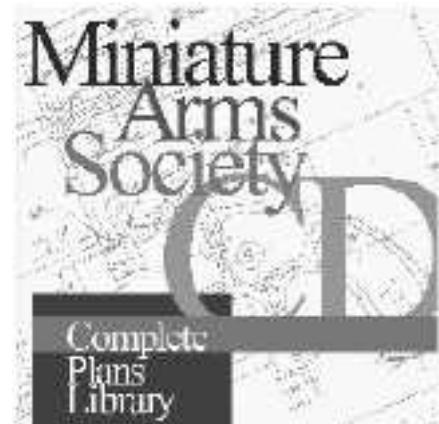


The 6/16 inch polished steel round barrels of approximately .18 caliber, each engraved with three bands of roundels, floral swags, dots and meandering line work are finished with individual bands of drapery and "dot and diamond" moldings around muzzles and both the barrels, with polished steel box-locks engraved, in the manner to the Holsters Pistols, with hunting scenes of birds, dogs a standing Lion, a representation of Napoleon who was being referred in the French press as a young lion, standing ready to defend his territory, and a whimsical monkeys playing musical instruments in the manner of Jean Baptiste Oudry, and inscribed on top plate behind the pan, Boutet Directeur Artiste, each lock jaw

engraved with a donkey's head, concealed triggers, each burl walnut bag shaped stock set with 34 high relief gold studs pique along the exterior edges of the grips, the studs themselves outlined with gold wire forming an enclosure for two engraved gold embellishments (4 per pistol) of mythological wyverns, or sea serpents, breathing fire; along the back straps of each stock are inlaid seven engraved gold panels alternating between motifs of diamonds and spider webs of 16 vanes, two motif themes which appear throughout the garniture's ornamentation including the spider-web design of the case's silver plaque.

Antonio Rincon

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A JOS. CHILDS MINI- PERCUSSION BOXLOCK

I am not much on or talking about myself but Bob asked me to send a few paragraphs about this mini. First of all I started collecting right after I graduated college in 1968. There weren't many collectors or dealers at the time, just me Jerry Trailins, Hersh Kopp and Dick Young. I am the only one left.

Over the years, I've handled maybe a thousand fine quality minis and collected a good deal of information on minis. I tracked them down wherever they might be, at gun shows, from pictures in articles and books.

For quite some time, the bible for miniature arms collectors was a single chapter in the book *Firearms Curiosa* written in 1948 by Lewis Winant. On the last page of the section on miniature arms was shown, and written about, this mini.

I contacted the person named as the owner of the Jos^H Child mini, and was pleased to know that since 1948 it has been in his collection, and he still owned it. That was 1968, and I bought it from him for \$250.00. Years later, I sold it, to who I don't remember, but when I saw it in the recent Poulin auction I decided to get it back. Because of the large number of miniatures for sale, and the length of the auction, there

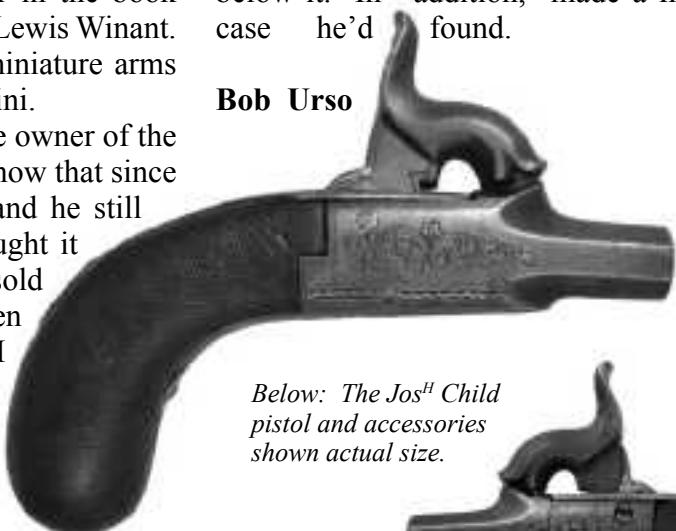
were many bargains, and I managed to buy it for 350.00 or 400.00... not bad for almost 50 yrs later.

Ron Weingarten.

ED. After Ron received the Jos^H Child mini, He found the spring was weak, so he sent the gun to me to look it over. Since I jump at the chance to take apart antique minis I said yes. As it turned out, someone tried to fix a broken mainspring by splicing on a small thin spring with a plastic band. On the bottom of this column is a photo of the two springs with the new spring I made on top, and the old spring below it. In addition, made a fitted lining for a case he'd found.

Bob Urso

Left: The Jos^H Child pistol shown enlarged.

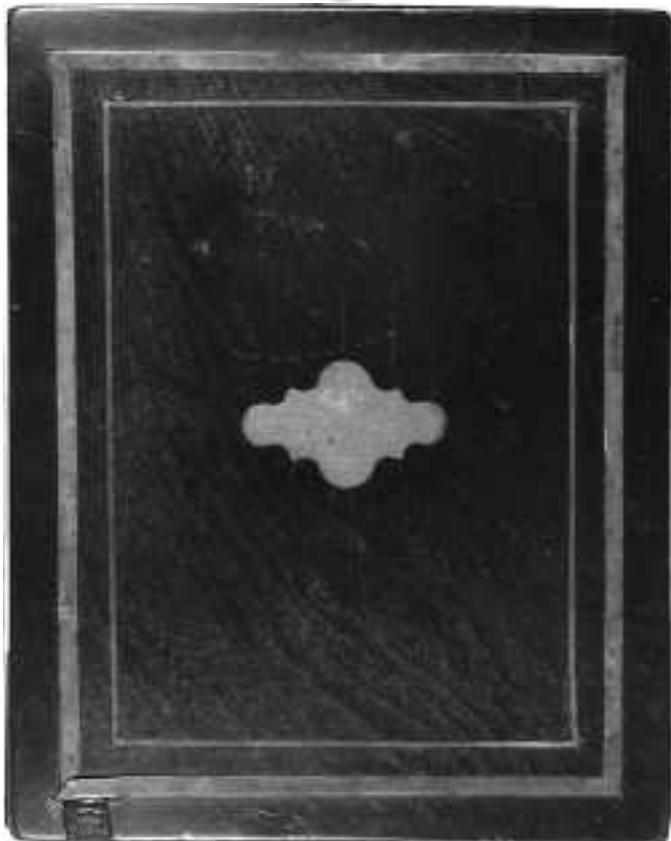


Below: The Jos^H Child pistol and accessories shown actual size.



Above: This is as far as I was willing to go in taking the pistol apart. The side piece does come out, but the tiny screw that held it in place was just too fragile for me to attempt unscrewing it.

Above: is a photo of the new spring I made, and below it, the old, broken spring, which someone tried to repair by using a plastic band to attach a piece of thin spring. It did hold tension on the hammer, however it wasn't strong enough to snap the hammer with any authority.



Above: the re-fitted Antique case.

Right: a close up of the barrel proof mark.



An Undiscovered Balogh?

This is what I believe to be an undiscovered Balogh 18K yellow and white gold percussion pistol, as it is not shown or mentioned in Bob Urso's book, "*The Tiniest Guns*". 2.455" long overall with a 1.4" barrel. The stock is 18K yellow gold with finely checkered grip and some additional checkering on the bottom of the forearm. All other parts are 18K white gold.

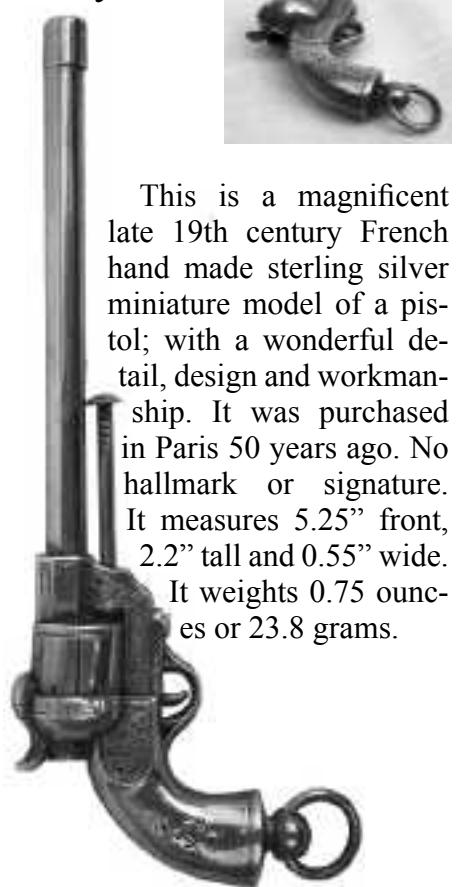
The action is functional. Unlike the other Balogh miniatures I have had in the past where the whole trigger-guard was pulled to release the hammer, this one is much more finely made with a functional trigger. Weighs .6 ounces, so with gold at \$1,560.00/ounce today, there is \$702.00 worth of gold in this miniature.

Wayne Driskill

The Silver Mini Flintlock
shown below was offered at a recent
Stevens Action with little description
except *partially functional*.



Found on
Ebay



This is a magnificent late 19th century French hand made sterling silver miniature model of a pistol; with a wonderful detail, design and workmanship. It was purchased in Paris 50 years ago. No hallmark or signature.

It measures 5.25" front, 2.2" tall and 0.55" wide.

It weights 0.75 ounces or 23.8 grams.

A Unique Forsyth System Ring Gun?

Well, here's something I've never seen before! A 5 shot ring gun on the Forsyth System. Instead of using the normal 4mm pinfire cartridge, or being percussion, this one is pellet primed, or a pill lock. A pellet of mercury fulminate is inserted into each cavity on the back side of the cylinder. A lead ball of .130 is inserted into each cavity on the circumference of the cylinder. The pellet of fulminate is both the priming mixture and the powder to fire the ball. The pellet of fulminate explodes when hit by the hammer.

The ring looks to be silver, and is engraved "SYSTEM FORSYTH" on the back side along with some decorative stem & leaf. The steel parts are fire blued and retain about 85% original thinning finish. The inside of the ring measures .820. The cylinder is .500 in diameter and .284 long. Uses the same type trigger release on the side as the 4mm pinfire type ring guns. Includes a hinged top brown leather casing with hook latches. The lid inlaid with a silver oval that is engraved "SYSTEM FORSYTH". The interior French fit and lined in a dark brown felt. There are two compartments, but both are empty. One probably for the screwdriver to remove the cylinder, the other maybe for the pellets and lead balls.

Truly unusual!

Wayne Driskill



Xu Yan's shop is small like the guns he makes.

ED. Xu Yan is a MAS member from China, who's shop is described below by his daughter.

Given our income and limited space, it is impossible for my father to have a separate workshop. His "workshop" is a reading desk in the corner of his bedroom, and sometimes, the balcony of our apartment. He stores his various tools in the cabinets on both sides of his desk. Generally speaking, his tools are simple. However, he also posses a large number of miniature tools for accurate operations. He also has several microscopes and other magnification

In order to make some of the small parts he needs, Xu Yan built a milling machine of his own design from various components.

His lathe - shown below - is a D-bed watch maker or jeweler's type lathe to which he has added a stereo microscope for doing very small work. The reversible tailstock has a drill chuck on one end and a dead center on the other. Work is driven by a larger drill chuck in the headstock.

Mr. Xu has upgraded his shop capabilities by creating a more

powerful and versatile milling machine. He notes that he assembled the milling head using a 180 watt motor that will turn to 10,000



RPM. (above), it includes a speed control switch and a pulley system that runs the spindle at up to 5000 RPM. The head can be used in the vertical or horizontal position.

Some of the magnification tools Mr. Xu uses to help him do the very small, detailed work necessary to produce parts for his small guns. The photo to the right, shows his setup for viewing very small drilling work. He also uses a small X-Y table under the drill head for positioning parts for accurate drilling.

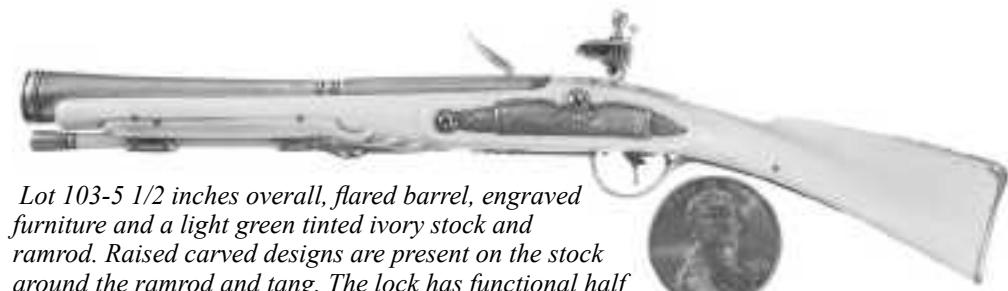
The tools used are not high tech. Here is a selection of pliers and other tools used to make the small parts for the guns.

High speed grinding burrs are also used. A large selection of tip shapes are at Mr. Xu's disposal.



AUCTION HIGHLIGHTS

On these pages are a group of miniatures that were recently up for auction at Rock Island Auction house.



Lot 103-5 1/2 inches overall, flared barrel, engraved furniture and a light green tinted ivory stock and ramrod. Raised carved designs are present on the stock around the ramrod and tang. The lock has functional half and full cock positions.



Lot 104 - Produced without sights, with a hand engraved King George cipher under the flash pan and an illegible mark behind the hammer. Full stock, with ramrod and brass fittings. In a leatherette case marked "Weingarten's Ltd/157/Bishopsgate,/LONDON, E.C.2." inside the lid.



Lot 108 Measuring 1 1/4 inches overall, with a niter blue hammer and trigger, scroll and punch dot engraved frame, "L.H. SMITH" on the bird's head butt and smooth ivory grips. In a hardwood case with a cleaning rod and a set of 10 inert rounds.



Lot 112 Pin front sights, with "-L.H. SMITH-" on top of one barrel, the Wesson address on the left, and a 5/8 inch pistol bayonet in the center. Niter blue barrel group, hammer and trigger, with smooth birds head grip. In a green felt lined hardwood case with a cleaning rod and 8 dummy rounds.





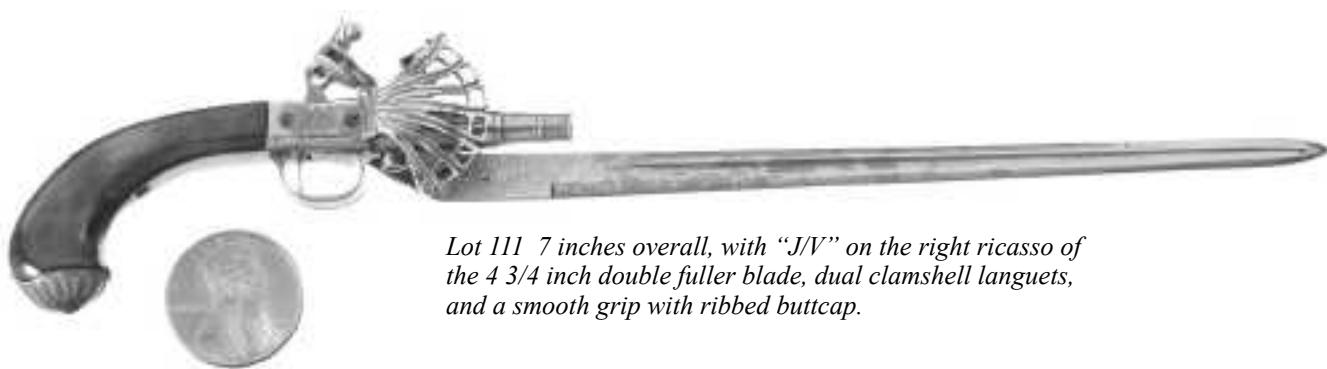
Lot 106 Marked “-L.H. SMITH-FLA.-USA-” on top of the barrel, with fire blue barrel, cylinder and trigger, silver finished frame and grip straps, and riveted pearl grips. In a red velvet lined hardwood case with cleaning rod, nipple wrench, bullet mold, silver powder flask and a pair of miniature Eley Brothers tins. The triggers do not fold and the cylinders are hand turned. The case is also stamped on the bottom with the serial numbers.



Lot 110 Measuring 15 1/2 inches overall, with a blue finish, fluted barrel detachable magazine and shoulder stock. Simulates open bolt operation, with functional safety. Barrel is not bored through.



Lot 118 Produced without sights, with “STAR VEST POCKET” atop the chamber, and “L.H. SMITH” on the birds head butt. With a hardwood case with green felt lining, cleaning rod, 10 inert rounds and a plaque on the lid reading “Best Single/Weapon/Winter Show/C.A.D.A. 1991”



Lot 111 7 inches overall, with “J/V” on the right ricasso of the 4 3/4 inch double fuller blade, dual clamshell languets, and a smooth grip with ribbed buttcap.

Pinfire



By Bob Urso

All the guns in this month's collection were found on the internet. Some from auctions houses, a couple from dealers. All unusual.



The grips on this Pfannl designed pinfire are of the highest quality, and very unusual. The gun was listed for sale on a French gun dealers website. Unfortunately they would not ship to the USA. Below are the original French descriptions, and an English translation

(4.5 cm) Pistolet breloque miniature à broche à canon basculant et crosse métal ciselée d'un bouquet. Présenté dans un coffret cuir rouge. XIX/XX°

(4.5 cm) pinfire miniature charm pistol with Drop barrel and sculpted floral metal grips. Presented in a red leather box. XIX/XX°

From the same dealer, is this larger pinfire pistol described as:

(12 cm) Petit pistolet à broche. Canon rond basculant avec extracteur. Détente mexicaine. Crosse quadrillée. XIX°.

(12 cm) Small pinfire pistol. Swing-out round barrel with extractor. Mexican relaxation(?). Checkered butt. XIX.



K. Tabaczkowski

Here's another auction find. It was described as:

A fine miniature pinfire pistol signed on the barrel K. Tabaczkowski, circa 1870. Rifled barrel 4.5cm, overall length 7.5cm.

Engraved at the breech and locked by an engraved stud on the left. Engraved action. Hammer hatched trigger and ivory butt.



A Czech Pinfire?



This is from a past Hermans Historica auction. The reserve was 250 euro, it sold for 1600 euro. I've included the original German description, and the translation that the "Google" translation software gave me.

Los Nr.825

Miniatur-Kipplaufpistole,

Tschechisch um 1870. Kippläufiger, glatter Lauf im Kal. 2 mm, dünne Brünierung, Schienensignatur "NA PAMµTKU". Einfache Laufhakenverriegelung mit rechtsseitigem Verschlusshebel, Verschluss etwas locker, intaktes Hahnschloss, ringförmiger Abzug, feine Arabeskengravur, Perlmuttgriffschalen, Länge 51 mm.

Here is a hard to find 2mm pinfire revolver that was made in Germany. It's an "**HS Six-Shooter Mod 8**". It's described on page 60 of "The Tiniest Guns". The HS stands for Hebert Schmid the designer. If anyone has one, I'd love to add one to my collection.

Bob Urso tel 360 733-4406

Im zugehörigen, grün ausgeschlagenen Krokodillederkasten mit neuem Behälter für Stiftfeuerkartuschen, Maße 6,5 x 4 x 1,5 cm.

Lot Nr.825

Miniature Kipplaufpistole,

Czech around 1870. Tilting, smooth bore in caliber 2 mm thin blueing, bar signature "NA PAMµTKU". Simple running loose with a right hook latch lock lever, cap a little hammer lock intact, ring-shaped hood, fine arabesque engraving, pearl handles, length 51 mm.

The accompanying green crocodile leather lined box with a new container for pin fire cartridges, measures 6.5 x 4 x 1.5 cm.

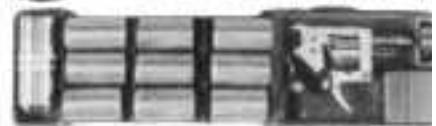


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The Miniature Arms Society Site - by Brad Maxfield www.miniaturearms.com
Piccolo Miniature Gunworks - Bob Urso's site <http://www.boburso.com>
Joel Morrow's miniature arms site WWW.800MINIATURE.COM
Paul Gauffins has a website "Small Arms Specialists" <http://www.miniguns.com>
Peter Dyson and Sons, England <http://www.peterdyson.co.uk/>
David Kucers web site is now located at <http://kucers.com/>
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Robin Armstrongs guns - www.armstrong-miniatures.com
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German website dedicated to the derringer, with a page of miniatures <http://www.derringer.de/minii.htm>
Miniature Knifemakers/Collectors Society <http://www.miniatureknivessociety.com/>
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An excellent Miniature pinfire collection <http://antiquesicollect.com/MiniaturePinfirePistols.htm>
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Be sure to check out MAS member Robert Segel's fine article on automatic weapons in *Hunting & Safari* issue 07. It is on line at http://issuu.com/amedadvertising/docs/hs_issue07. When the page above comes up click on the "Click to Read" button in the center of the cover, then turn the pages until you get to page 65. Excellent article, with great color photos.

George Papandropoulos, from Greece, who's work has been featured in past issues of the journal, has a nice group of images of his mini's online at
<http://s200.photobucket.com/albums/aa77/papandropoulos/>

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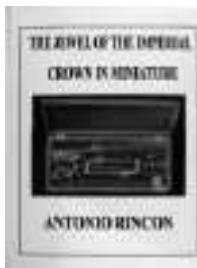


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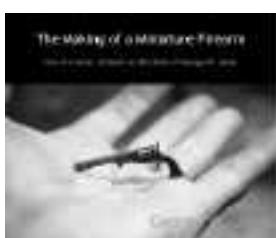
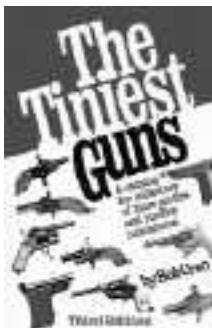
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