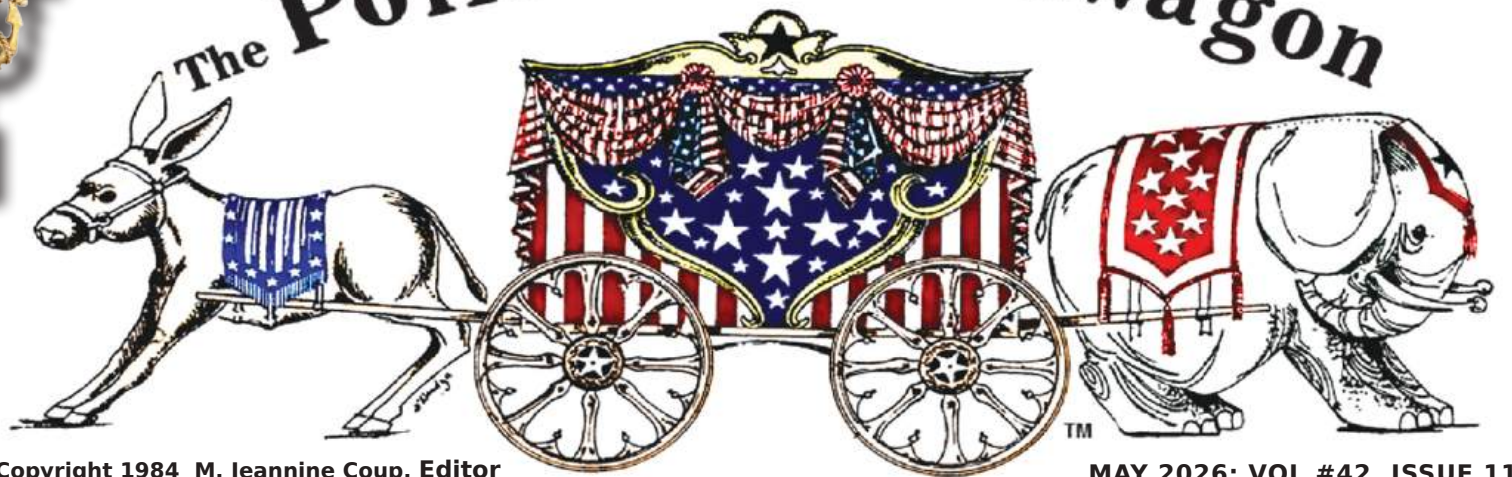




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## Collecting American Political History

### JAMES OTIS, JR: SEEDS OF INDEPENDENCE

Who was it who first spoke about a new style of government in America? Englishmen were free, in a way. After all Great Britain was the largest and richest country under one ruler in the world. Only a few English subjects wanted religious freedom or a more worthy life. Most were content as they were. Nonetheless the formation of The Virginia Company of London lured people to make the journey to America in search of resources.

The Virginia Company of London  
<https://encyclopediavirginia.org/entries/virginia-company-of-london/>

The Virginia Company of London was a joint-stock company chartered by King James I in 1606 to establish a colony in North America. Such a venture allowed the Crown to reap the benefits of colonization—natural resources, new markets for English goods, leverage against the Spanish—without bearing the costs. Investors, meanwhile, were protected from catastrophic losses in the event of the project's failure. The company established a settlement at Jamestown in 1607, and over the next eighteen years, the Crown granted the company two new charters, democratizing its governance and reforming its financial model. What began as an enterprise of investors seeking a dividend was funded a decade later almost exclusively by a public lottery. By 1618 the company had found a way to use its most abundant resource—land—to tempt settlers to pay their own passage from England to the colony and then, after arrival, to pay the company a quitrent, or fee, to use the land. Still, the Virginia Company and the colony it oversaw struggled to survive. Disease, mismanagement, Indian attacks, and factionalism in London all took a toll until, in 1623, the Privy Council launched an investigation into the company's finances. A year later, the company's charter was revoked and King Charles I assumed direct control of Virginia, transforming Virginia into a Royal Colony.

The first permanent English settlement in America was started by The Virginia Company as described above. Virginia was founded as a business venture by the Virginia Company of London. The purpose of the first expedition was to establish a settlement, find gold and silver deposits, and explore a river route to the Pacific Ocean. The territory King James I granted was larger than most European countries at the time. It was divided into a north region and a south region. The South was referred to as the First Colony, while the North was referred to as the Second Colony.

The Virginia Company of Plymouth was granted rights to the northern portion of the territory. It tried to establish Popham Colony in present-day Maine in 1607, but the venture failed. In 1614, this region was renamed "New England."

The Virginia Company of London was given the right to establish colonies in the southern portion, which ran from present-day Long Island to North Carolina. This is where Jamestown was established in 1607. In Virginia, the London Company functioned as an independent government, operating within the confines of existing English law. It had the power to impose taxes, mint coins, and control trade. The corporation managed the colony's treasury and organized its defenses. The charter stated that colonists remained English citizens and retained all the rights and privileges of Englishmen, even while living in the New World.

The Virginia Company issued the "Great Charter" in 1618, which allowed for the creation of a General Assembly. This charter aimed to provide settlers with a voice in their governance and to encourage investment and settlement by offering more autonomy. Appointed in 1618, Governor Yeardley played a crucial role in implementing the new governance structure. He called for the election of representatives to form the House of Burgesses.

The Virginia House of Burgesses  
<https://www.americanhistorycentral.com/entries/house-of-burgesses/>

The Virginia House of Burgesses, established in 1619 in the Virginia Colony, was the first elected representative government in America. The members were known as "Burgesses" and were elected to represent the towns and plantations in the colony. Their purpose was to meet with the Governor and the Governor's Council to discuss and pass laws for the colony. Over time, the House of Burgesses gained more power and eventually became a bicameral legislature. As the American Revolution intensified, it played a critical role in events, adopting the Virginia Stamp Resolves and organizing the permanent Committees of Correspondence. Some of the most important Founding Fathers, including George Washington, Thomas Jefferson, and Patrick Henry, served as Burgesses. The assembly was dissolved in 1776 when Virginia declared independence and created a state constitution.

The House of Burgesses met for the first time on July 30, 1619, in the wooden church at Jamestown. John Pory served as Speaker of the Assembly. At the first meeting of the House of Burgesses, 22 men representing 11 settlements assembled with Governor Yeardley and his Governor's Council. Together, they approved legislation related to tobacco prices, servant contracts, and other issues of concern to the colonists. The first meeting lasted for six days, and the weather was so hot and humid that two men became ill, and one died.

Meanwhile in the northern colony, New England, the Pilgrims arrived seeking religious freedom in the new world. "The arrival of the Mayflower Pilgrims memorialized in American history centers on the famous landing at Plymouth in the winter of 1620. That's not the only Pilgrim landing that occurred! The colonists first came ashore weeks earlier at Cape Cod. They also arrived on Clark's Island in Plymouth Harbor before setting foot in Plymouth itself." <https://www.pilgrimhall.org/the-pilgrims-landing-in-america/> And apparently the Mayflower's Captain had been bribed to land north of the Hudson Valley in New York, part of the territory controlled by the southern Virginia Company of London. The bribery coupled with bad weather, rough seas and shoals forced them to land north of their intended port instead. Before they stepped foot on dry land, the Pilgrims wrote The Mayflower Compact outlining



*Portrait of Founding Father James Otis Jr. c.1755. Otis was not among the men who signed the Declaration of Independence, and he had largely vanished from public life by the time the Revolution arrived. But for more than a decade before the first shots were fired at Lexington and Concord, he was perhaps the most prominent voice for colonial rights in British North America. Otis spent the decade before the war making the case in courtrooms and newspapers that Parliament had no right to tax the colonies, since colonists could not elect their own representatives to it. <https://constitutioncenter.org/blog/constitutional-voices-james-otis-jr>*

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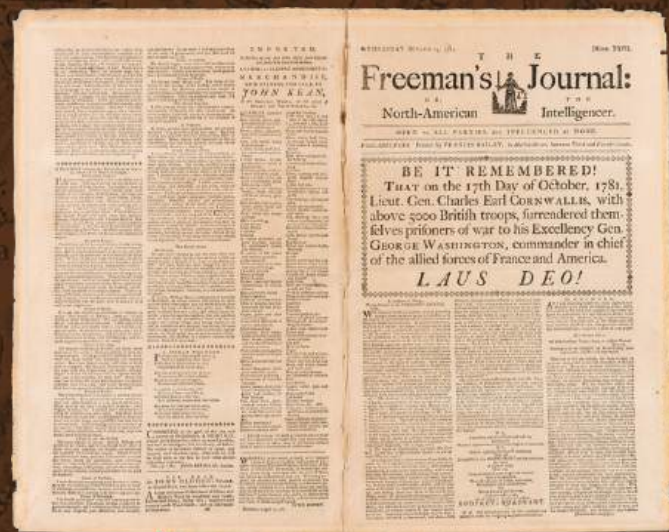
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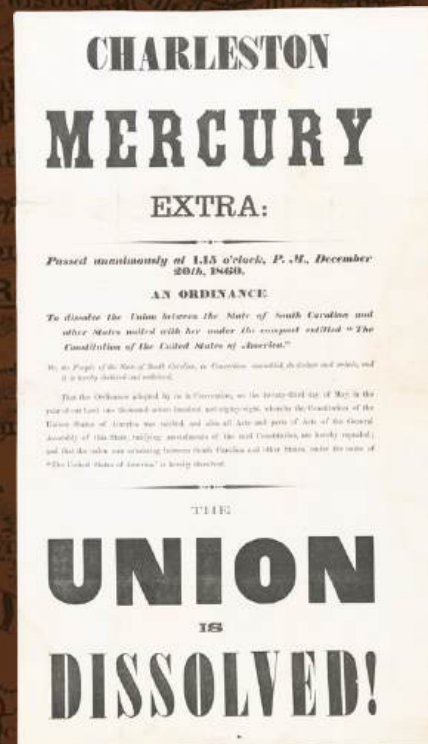
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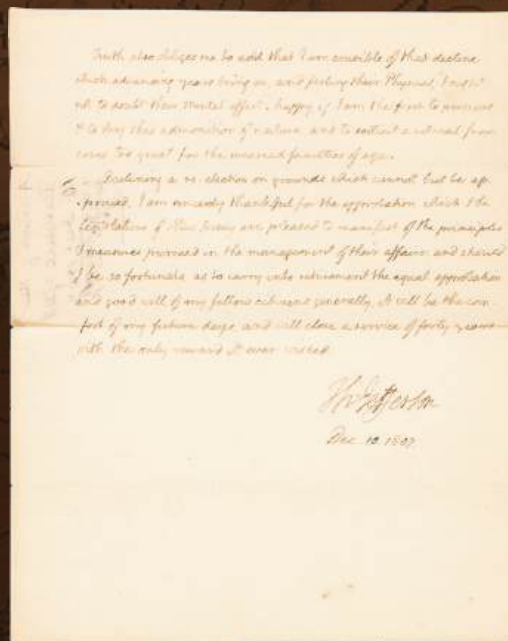
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**THE FATHERS AND SAVIORS OF OUR COUNTRY: A PRESIDENTIAL SALE**

FREEMAN'S AUCTIONS, Sale #6560, March 26, 2026, Chicago



Lot 5. [WASHINGTON, George (1732-1799)]; SAINT-MEMIN, Charles Balthazar Julien Févret de (1770-1852). Gold alloy and enamel mourning ring purportedly bequeathed in Washington's last will and testament. Circa 1800.

This item's estimated value was \$15,000 - \$20,000. The price realized was \$70,400 (inclusive of Buyer's Premium).

The mourning ring is an oval glazed bevel featuring Saint-Mémin image of George Washington in profile framed by black enamel border and encircled by black and white champlevé enamel inscription, "Geo: Washington / Ob: 14.Dec.1799 / AE: 68". With cigar-style gold alloy band by Simon Chaudron. Housed in a contemporary leather ring box. Wear to box, very minor tarnishing to inner ring band.

PURPORTEDLY ONE OF FIVE MOURNING RINGS BEQUEATHED BY PRESIDENT GEORGE WASHINGTON IN HIS LAST WILL AND TESTAMENT, BEARING THE LAST AND PERHAPS MOST ACCURATE CONTEMPORANEOUS IMAGE OF WASHINGTON.

With tensions between the United States and France reaching a boiling point by the summer of 1798, President John Adams appointed his predecessor, George Washington, as Lieutenant General and Commander of the United States Army. In November, Washington went to Philadelphia to organize the military for what seemed an all but inevitable open conflict. During this time he visited the studio of Charles Balthazar Julien Févret de Saint-Mémin for a sitting in which Saint-Mémin would use a new device - a physiognotrace - by which silhouettes could be accurately traced and then reduced. The resulting image of Washington's profile may be the most accurate made during Washington's lifetime, as well as the very last.

A little over a year later, George Washington would die of a severe throat infection at his Mount Vernon home. While on his deathbed, Washington requested that two wills be brought to him. After carefully examining the first, he handed it to his secretary, Tobias Lear, and requested that it be burned, and then made some minor amendments to the second before declaring it complete. In this last will and testament, George Washington made numerous bequests, notably that his longtime slave William Lee be freed immediately, and that the rest of his slaves be freed upon the death of his wife, Martha. Washington further requested that his shares in the James River Company be given as an endowment to what is now Washington and Lee University.

On line 22 of Washington's will, he wrote, "To my Sisters in law Hannah Washington & Mildred Washington; to my friends Eleanor Stuart, Hannah Washington of Fairfield, and Elizabeth Washington of Hayfield, I give, each, a mourning Ring of the value of one hundred dollars. These bequests are not made for the intrinsic value of them, but as mementos of my esteem & regard."

Mourning rings were quite popular during this period, and were often bequeathed by the deceased in their wills to beloved friends and relatives. Some contained locks of hair, while others contained a high quality image of the departed. It was common for these rings to be worn on the pinky finger so as to make the wearer's association with the departed clear.

As Saint-Mémin and jeweler Simon Chaudron (1758-1846) shared a shop, it is believed that Saint-Mémin supplied the Washington portraits while Chaudron created the pieces of mourning jewelry according to customer specifications; thus, no two of the seven existing mourning pieces look exactly alike. Both Saint-Mémin and Chaudron were French expatriates and were acquainted with many of America's Founding Fathers, with Thomas Jefferson in particular a patron of both. Following Washington's death, Chaudron delivered a eulogy delivered before the French Masonic Lodge l'Aménité on 1 January 1800 in which he declared, "All the friends of glory and liberty flocked to [Washington's] standard, and the proud aggressors of Bunker's Hill soon found that a nation armed with justice and led by a great man, was not the conquest of the day." Shortly after delivering this speech Chaudron placed an advertisement in the Philadelphia Aurora for "Mourning Rings with an elegant Portrait of the late Illustrious General Washington." It is unknown, however, how many, if any, additional items of jewelry may have been created. Only two such pieces outside of the five specified in Washington's will and bearing Saint-Mémin's rendering are known to survive today.

As recorded by Ellen G. Miles in *Saint-Mémin and the Neoclassical Profile Portrait in America* (1994) seven Saint-Mémin mourning rings are known to exist today, located in the collections of the Yale University Art Gallery (pendant), the Metropolitan Museum of Art, the Smithsonian Institution, Mount Vernon, one in a private collection, and the current example, previously in the collection of George Washington collector and scholar Dr. Joseph E. Fields. In 2025, a seventh ring in a near-identical style and composition to the present example and descended through the family of the Marquis de Lafayette was donated to the Colonial Williamsburg Foundation after selling at Sotheby's the previous year.

PROVENANCE: Annie S. King, Baltimore; Dr. Joseph E. Fields (1912-1999), American historian and Washington scholar and collector; The Gerald Peterson Collection

REFERENCES: The present ring was profiled by Elizabeth Bryant Johnston in *Original Portraits of Washington, Including Statues, Monuments, and Medals* (1882), p.135; John Hill Morgan and Mantle Fielding in *The Life Portraits of Washington and Their Replicas* (1931); and by Ellen G. Miles in *Saint-Mémin and the Neoclassical Profile Portrait in America* (1994)

The Gerald Peterson Collection  
Source: <https://freemansauction.com/auctions/6560-the-fathers-and-saviors-of-our-country-a-presidential-sale/lot/5>



Lot 139. [LINCOLN MOURNING]. A unique Lincoln mourning fan produced for display at the 1867 Paris Exposition. Habana/Paris: Designed by August E. A. Luce for Bartolomé Crespo De Borbon, 1866.

The item's estimated value was \$15,000-\$20,000. The price realized was \$44,800 (inclusive of Buyer's Premium).

Opened, 22 x 10 in., formed by eleven silver-sparkled and incised decorative cast aluminum rods, each with an oval medallion and embellished with federal eagles. The oval medallions contain small albumen photos of European queens (lacking three) and their names (lacking nine). Two oval medallions are embossed with the arms of Cuba and France. The sticks are further embellished with medallions featuring American eagles, which terminate in a star at the top. A large tassel hangs from the apex of the fan. The fan itself is adorned with fabric 3" in width with scenes from the Civil War and the assassination.

The fan, titled "To The Martyr Of His Country Abraham Lincoln" depicts, in sequential order: the first panel depicts the battle between the ironclads *Monitor* and *Merrimac*; the second is Booth, Mrs. Surratt, Payne and John Surratt around a table rehearsing their evil plans; the next panel shows Booth shooting the president at Ford's, Rathbone and Clara Harris witnessing the event; the central panel is a scene from the stage performance of *Our American Cousin* with Laura Keane and two other actors; the next panel depicts Booth's escape on horseback; the next is Booth being shot down while hiding in the barn Garrett's farm; the final tableaux is the burning of Richmond in April 1865. These scenes are bordered by small demons. The reverse features an ornate decorative border, a portrait of Lincoln surrounded by angels and cherubs, and two idealized memorial columns, flanked by miniature sheet music with notes and lyrics in Spanish, titled "Cancion A Abraham Lincoln." The eagles on the recto hold banners inscribed "The patent plated fan" (the Cuban maker had bought the rights from an American firm).

Housed in a presentation red leather box titled "EXPOSITION UNIVERSELLE DE PARIS 1867". On the inside is a felt receptacle for the partially closed fan and the words: "EVENTAIL BLINDE [armored fan] ROYAL".

RARE: Only four examples of this fan type are currently known; this example is one of three recorded specimens executed in aluminum, a material considered a precious metal at the time and reserved for luxury and commemorative objects. One recorded example survives with wooden sticks rather than metal. Another, produced for Central America and associated with women's self-defense, is an extreme variant incorporating a hidden, retractable knife blade and a small hinged compartment for poison. A third example, made for the United States market, substitutes portraits of Union generals on the leaf and likewise differs materially in having wooden sticks instead of aluminum.

EXHIBITION: The fan is listed in *Exposición universal de 1867, Catálogo general de la sección de España* (Paris: 1867), under the Overseas submissions from Cuba (p.408): "Abanicos blindados, con reproducciones fotográficas de las principales fases de la vida del Presidente Lincoln y de los grandes hombres Americanos sus contemporáneos."

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376-\$68.00 Farmer/Laborer Non-Partisan League We'll Stick, rwb

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378-\$5.00 Vote Republican Results, PA 7/8" rwb litho

379-\$6.00 Landon/Knox, GOP 3/4" litho on yellow felt sunflower, y/bro

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392-\$5.00 It's Humphrey in '60, 1" rwb litho

393-\$5.00 I'm For Rockefeller Javits Citizens Comm. curl: Emress, blu/orange 1" litho

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399-\$7.00 LBJ for the USA curl: Democratic Nat'l Committee, 1" rwb litho

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402-\$6.00 Nixon in '72 curl: A.G. Trimble 1" r/bk/w litho

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410-\$5.00 Vote For Me back: Green Duck 3/4" rwb litho

411-\$5.00 Vote Democratic union bug 1" rwb

412-\$5.00 Nixon, USA map 1" rwb

413-\$5.00 Carter/Mondale '80 7/8" blu/w jugate

414-\$5.00 EMK, Kennedy in '80 Wisconsin 1" bk/w

415-\$4.00 Jimmy Carter for Pres. 7/8" green/w

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**MAY 9, 2026 - 58th ANNUAL MICHIGAN POLITICAL & POP CULTURE SHOW Sat. 9am-3pm**  
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**MAY 15, 2026 - CHUCK BAILEY HEART OF TEXAS POLITICAL SHOW, AUSTIN**  
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**MAY 15-16, 2026 - BANDWAGON EXTRAVAGANZA**  
Two day bourse: Fri, 5/15, 11am-6pm; Sat, 5/16 from 8:30am-1pm, at the Holiday Inn Harrisburg-Hershey, 604 Station Road, Grantville, PA 17028 (Located at Exit 80 on I-81). Group room rate: \$145 per night. Call the hotel directly at 717-469-0661. Wall tables: \$70 ea; interior tables: \$65. Admission: \$5 per person,

## THE FRUGAL COLLECTOR - MAY 2026

By Scott Jasnoch

This month a few items found on the Political Memorabilia Exchange page from Facebook are discussed. They are courtesy from Tom Peeling and his offerings.

First up is a 1 1/4" World War One "\$200" Service Club Liberty Loan pin. It is in very good condition for how old it is and it was only available for \$16.

Next is a 1 3/4" pin commemorating the National Strike For Peace that occurred on October 15, 1970. This item is a must have for any protest era collection. It was barely a hit to the bank at \$30.

It's not everyday that you're able to purchase this one inch McKinley stud with metal rim for just \$45.

Even more unusual is this 1 1/4" Draft Eisenhower League pin, it was an easy pickup at \$55.

Although tiny at 7/8", this Hello Bill Taft pin has a lot to offer. It has a dark nice color on one side and is darker purple than the photo shows. Not even a second thought at purchasing it at \$28.



**May 25, 1961-President John F. Kennedy announced the Apollo program.**

Stating that Americans would go to the Moon because the effort would "measure the best of our energies and skills," Kennedy proclaimed the mission of landing a human on the Moon by the end of the decade. Although Kennedy would not live to see it, the Apollo program successfully landed astronauts on the Moon in just eight years. The button on the left commemorates man's first landing on the Moon July 20, 1969 with the Apollo 11 astronauts pictured; Neil A. Armstrong, Michael Collins, and Edwin E. "Buzz" Aldrin.

JULY 2024 for the 55th Anniversary of the Apollo 11 lunar landing, NASA honored America's vision and technology that enabled the Apollo 11 crewed lunar landing on July 20, 1969, as well as Apollo-era inventions and techniques that spread into public life, many of which are still in use today. NASA's Johnson Space Center in Houston recognized legendary human computer Dorothy Vaughan and the women of Apollo with activities marking their achievements, including a renaming and ribbon-cutting ceremony at the center's "Building 12," on Friday, July 19, 2024. Anniversary activities also highlighted NASA's Artemis campaign.

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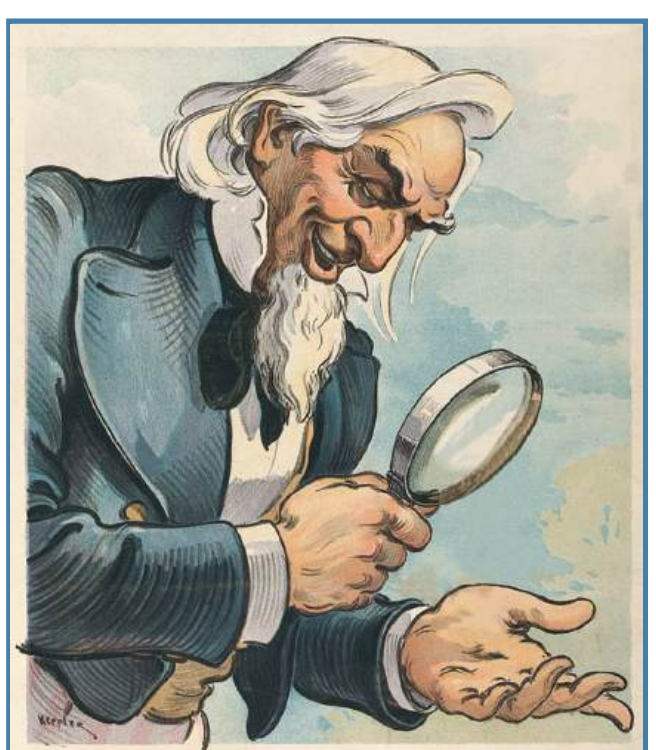
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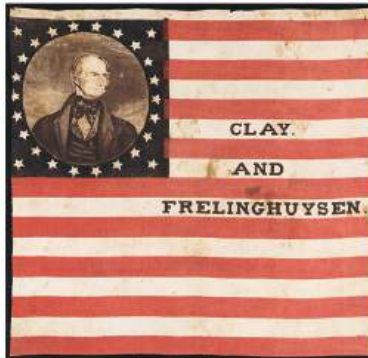
# Auctions on Parade

By Michael McQuillen  
HERITAGE #6327

Heritage Auctions offered 550 lots during its April 2026 sale. Here, we will take a look at many of the lots selling in the \$3000 and up range. Roosevelt & Fairbanks: California Golden Bear Jugate. 7/8" button with portraits of the 1904 Republicans beneath a golden bear and sunrise rose to \$3000 (all prices realized are rounded up to the nearest dollar and include a 25% buyer's premium.) J. Honus Wagner: 1916 "For Sheriff" of Allegheny County Campaign Button. 7/8" campaign button promoting the Hall of Fame baseball legend was a hit at \$3375. Roosevelt & Garner: Rare Blue Background Jugate. 1 1/4" button featuring the 1932 Democrats, inscribed: "For Repeal And Prosperity Roosevelt Garner" made \$3500.



William Howard Taft: Large Real-Photo Jugate Button. 2 1/4" photo button featuring smiling images of Taft and Sherman wearing hats was tipped at \$3500. John C. Fremont: 1856 Portrait Campaign Flag. 16 1/2" x 27" glazed or polished cotton flag in rough shape, featuring a portrait of the 1856 Republican, inscribed, "John C. Fremont/William. L. Dayton" flew to \$4250. Garfield & Arthur: 39-Star U.S. Campaign Flag. 17" x 25 3/4" very nice, large 39-star campaign flag from 1880 also did well, at \$4500.



Calvin Coolidge: Elusive 1920 Button for Vice President. 1 1/4" with red, white, and blue streamers got to \$4500. Debs & Seidel: Spectacular 1912 Jugate Button for these Socialist Candidates. Large 1 1/2" celluloid campaign button was gavelled down at \$5125. Henry Clay: Bold Portrait Flag. 25" x 26" cotton flag with sepia-tone portrait of Clay in the canton and surrounded by 26 stars. Henry Clay: Bold Portrait Flag. 25" x 26" cotton flag with sepia-tone portrait of Clay in the canton and surrounded by 26 stars made \$5375.



George Washington: "Dotted Script" Inaugural Button in gilded brass with original shank found a new home at \$5750. Roosevelt & Johnson: California Bull Moose Jugate. 7/8" full color button with portraits of the 1912 Progressive Party candidates flanking a bull moose charged to the same \$5750. John F. Kennedy: "Hooray for JFK" Dallas Motorcade Placard, November 22, 1963. 11" x 14" heavy cardboard was chased to \$6250.

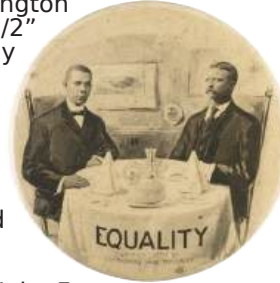


A large 36" x 58" Roosevelt & Johnson: 1912 Jugate Linen Banner ended at \$6563. Speaking of TR - a Theodore Roosevelt: Ribbon Badge for One-Day Presidential Town Jugate. This 2 1/4" jugate, "Souvenir of Pretzel Town," was secured at \$8750.

Abraham Lincoln: 1864 Accordion Paper Lantern. 7" x 14" (approximately when extended) purple, white, and blue paper lantern stretched to \$10,625. Theodore Roosevelt: Booker T.



Washington Equality Button. 1 1/4" pin commemorating the controversial 1901 White House luncheon between President Theodore Roosevelt and Booker T. Washington was had for \$16,250. Lincoln & Hamlin: 1860 Jugate Campaign Ribbon. 2 1/2" x 7" silk campaign ribbon issued for the 1860 presidential election commanded \$20,000.



Another variety of the Theodore Roosevelt: Booker T. Washington Equality Button, this time a 1 1/2" celluloid brought \$32,500. Hotly contested was an Abraham Lincoln: A Significant Variant of this Classic 1860 Campaign Flag. 17" x 11" glazed cotton flag inscribed "Lincoln and Hamlin" in curved letters with the canton positioned in the correct corner exceeded expectations at \$46,250.

Finally, the biggie of the sale was a John F. Kennedy: Signed "A Time for Greatness" Wisconsin Campaign Poster. 13" x 21" cardboard poster custom framed to an overall 17" x 25" which brought an eye-popping \$50,000! The signature says "Best Regards, John Kennedy" (see enlargement below).



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Auctions on Parade appears monthly in The Political Bandwagon. I invite readers to write me if they would like to suggest auctions to be reviewed or have any other questions or suggestions. Michael J. McQuillen can be reached by writing him directly at P. O. Box 50022, Indianapolis, Indiana 46250-0022, e-mail: michael@politicalparade.com or through his web-site: www.PoliticalParade.com

## THE OTHER TEA PARTY - 1774 Oct. 25

"In late November 1773, the Nantucket whaling ship *Dartmouth* sailed into Boston harbor. Her cargo was tea, brought back from England after sailing there with a load of whale oil. At the time, much of the population of Boston had gotten a tad irritable about British taxation and duties on tea, so the *Dartmouth* was not allowed to unload her cargo. A few days later she was joined by the *Eleanor*, also loaded with tea and similarly detained in the harbor unable to unload. On December 15th, the *Beaver* arrived, and became the third ship that would, the next day, play a role in one of the pivotal events in this country's fight for independence." <https://raunerlibrary.blogspot.com/2014/12/aboard-dartmouth.html>

We all know what happened to that tea in Boston harbor on December 16, 1773.

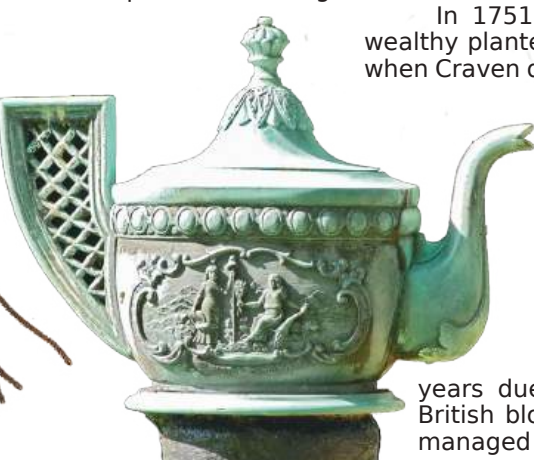
The move was made in response to the 1773 Tea Act, passed by Parliament, which gave the British East India Tea Company a monopoly in the colonies and was the last in a series of taxes and policies that colonists fiercely resented.

Nearly a year later 51 women in Edenton, North Carolina resolved to stop buying English imports in support of the actions and resolutions of the First Provincial Congress. The women drew up resolves on October 25, 1774 declaring their intention to boycott English tea and English cloth.

A loyal patriot of the American Revolution, Penelope Barker organized the boycott and recorded the signed resolves publicly. It represented a daring stand against British authority at a time when women's political opinions were often confined to their homes. The event—dubbed the Edenton Tea Party—is historically significant because it is one of the first recorded women's political demonstration in America.

Born in Edenton, North Carolina on June 17, 1728, Barker was one of three daughters of Samuel Padgett, a physician and farmer, and Elizabeth Blount, daughter of wealthy politician and planter James Blount. While still a teen, Barker's father and sister Elizabeth died in the same year, leaving Barker to help raise Elizabeth's children. Barely seventeen years old, Barker married her sister's widowed husband John Hodgson in 1745. Two years later, he died, leaving her with two sons of her own to raise along with the three children from her husband's previous marriage.

In 1751, Barker married James Craven, a wealthy planter. She was widowed a second time when Craven died in 1755. She inherited his entire estate, making her one of the richest women in North Carolina. Two years later, she married Thomas Barker, an Edenton attorney 16 years her senior. She bore three more children; however, none lived past infancy. In 1761, her husband left for England as an agent of the North Carolina colony; he would be unable to return for seventeen years due to the American Revolution and British blockade. In the meantime, Penelope managed their



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estates and household. Throughout the colonies, Patriot leaders urged women, in their role as consumers, to support the rebellion by boycotting British imports such as cloth and tea, in keeping with the non-importation resolutions passed by the First Continental Congress in 1774.

While her husband was stranded abroad amid the outbreak of the American Revolution, Barker convened a group of 50 women in her hometown of Edenton, North Carolina, asking them to sign a resolution supporting the boycott of British goods, including tea and cloth. "We cannot be indifferent on any occasion that appears nearly to affect the peace and happiness of our country," the document stated. The 51 signatures, affixed boldly and publicly in a resolution shared with newspapers throughout the Thirteen Colonies, such as the *Postscript to the Virginia Gazette*, No. 1213, 1774 Nov 3.

The women signed and mailed the document to England and by January 1775 it was published in the *Morning Chronicle and London Advertiser* on January 16th. It was indeed a bold demonstration of patriotism from the ladies of Edenton, making the resolution among the first public political acts by women in America. While the women's efforts were applauded in the colonial press, London papers mocked them. In a now-famous satirical political cartoon of the Edenton Tea Party published in the London press (shown here), the women were portrayed as unfeminine and bad mothers, unflattering to say the least.

By highlighting the perceived masculinity of the women's actions, the drawing also demeaned Colonial men, suggesting that "the women are running the show here," says Debra Michals, a historian at Merrimack College and the author of *She's the Boss: The Rise of Women's Entrepreneurship Since World War II*.

Many of the women who participated in the so-called Edenton Tea Party were married to men who held significant economic and political power within Colonial society, including local politicians, lawyers, doctors, businessmen and planters. These wives were often the primary consumers and managers of their households, meaning they held the power to buy from or boycott specific sellers. Barker continued the boycott throughout the war.

The Edenton Tea Party wasn't an isolated incident. It was part of a wave of protests against Parliament's 1773 Tea Act, a corporate tax break that lowered the price of tea for colonists, encouraging them to buy taxed tea and, by extension, agree to taxation without representation. Barker's resolution was a direct response to an earlier pledge by North Carolina's First Provincial Congress, whose delegates had called for a boycott of British goods as well as the cessation of exports to Great Britain.



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After her husband returned in 1778, her life became somewhat simpler. The couple built a new home. Barker once again outlived her husband—who died in 1790—this time by six years.

There has been much confusion about the Edenton Tea Party, primarily because the event went unrecorded in North Carolina. It remained unknown until 1827, when a North Carolina native naval officer purchased a rendering of the cartoon in a shop abroad. Following his discovery citizens tried to piece together what they believed must have happened in Edenton in 1774.

A teapot mounted on a Revolutionary era cannon just off the green in front of the 1767 Chowan County Courthouse commemorates the Edenton Tea Party and the local chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution is named for it. (See teapot on pg 8)

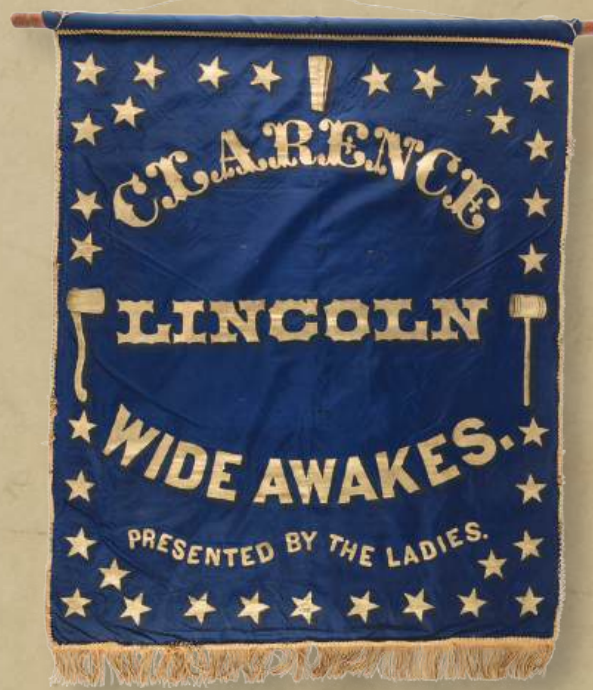
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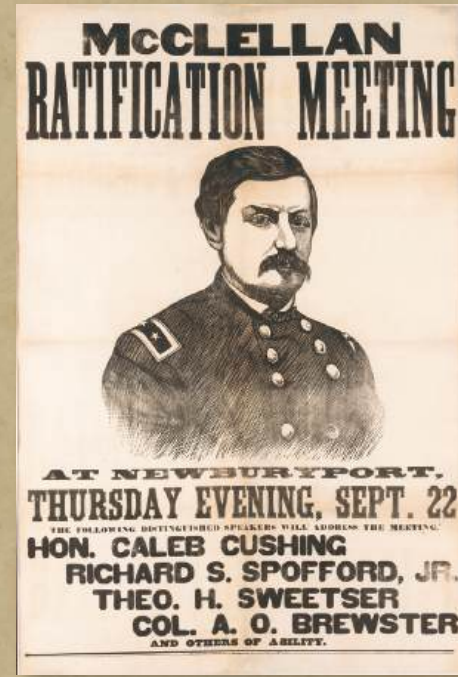
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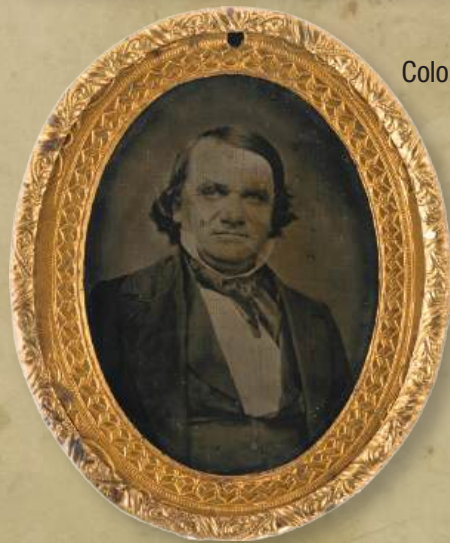
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'Old Abe' was an American Bald Eagle. He was found as a fledgling by a Chippewa Indian named Chief Sky, when Abe fell out of a tree near his home. The next trip to the town of Eagle River, Chief Sky sold the fledgling to McCann for a bushel of corn.

McCann took the bird to Eau Claire, Wisc., and briefly kept it as a family pet. Caged inside a modified oaken cask, the bird grew larger and quickly became too expensive to feed. McCann actively sht to sell the as yet unnamed bird to the many units of Wisconsin troops passing through the area enroute to their muster site at Camp Randall in Madison, Wisc. After many unsuccessful attempts he eventually sold the eagle.

One of the men from the Eau Claire company, Lt. James McGuire, approached the unit's captain, John E. Perkins, and asked permission to obtain the eagle for a mascot—Perkins granted it. The men of the company pooled their resources to gather \$2.50 to purchase the eagle from McCann. Later, a local businessman named Mills Jeffries paid McCann the cost and instructed him to refund the enlisted men's money.

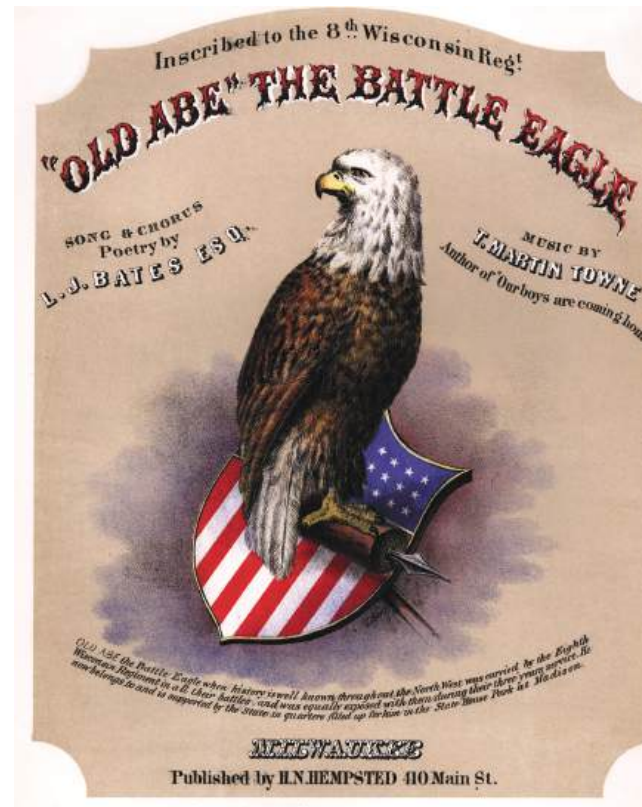
Perkins was the commanding officer of a militia company called the "Eau Claire Badgers." In light of their newly acquired mascot, the unit renamed themselves the "Eau Claire Eagle."

Perkins' unit entered federal service and was re-designated as Company C, 8th Wisconsin Volunteer Infantry Regiment. The Eau Claire Eagles' mascot was adopted by the new 8th Wisconsin Volunteer Infantry Regiment which was quickly nicknamed the "Eagle Regiment." After much deliberation, the mascot was named "Old Abe," in honor of President Abraham Lincoln.

The 8th Wisconsin Volunteer Infantry Regiment spent its entire military service in what was then known as the Western Theater of the American Civil War comprising: Missouri; Arkansas; Tennessee; Mississippi; Louisiana; and Alabama. "Old Abe" was present during all of the 8th Wisconsin's battles and was carried into combat by a sergeant on a special perch alongside the 8th Wisconsin's National and Regimental colors.

Seeing "Old Abe" atop his perch during the battle of Corinth, Mississippi, Confederate General Sterling Price remarked, "that bird must be captured or killed at all hazards, I would rather get that eagle than capture a whole brigade or a dozen battle flags."

During "Old Abe's" service, the 8th Wisconsin participated in many battles, expeditions, and pursuits of Confederate forces. Among these were the battles of: Iuka; Corinth; Island Number 10; Big Black; Champion's Hill; the Red River and Meridian expeditions; and the Battle of Nashville. "Old Abe" was there every step of the way.



"Old Abe," the Battle Eagle. Ssong & Chorus Poetry by L. J. Bates, Esq.; Music by T. Martin Towne, author of "Our boys are coming home." Published by H.N. Hempstead, 410 Main St., Milwaukee. Courtesy of Rare Book and Special Collections Division, Library of Congress

**Lyrics:**

"Old Abe," the Battle Eagle.  
The ranks were full when they hurried away,  
The drums rolling gaily, the bugles aplay,  
A cloud that was dark with the anger of God,  
When the western winds blew,  
and the storm was abroad;  
And over its front, in the threat'ning sky,  
There hover'd the eagle of victory.

**Chorus:**

Hurrah! for our eagle! our bold battle eagle!  
The terror of traitors and king of the sky.  
Hurrah! for our eagle! our bold battle eagle!  
The terror of traitors and king of the sky.  
They come, but the ranks are shrunken and thin;  
O! large be the welcome that gathers them in!

They come with their flags in the glad sunlight,  
A cloud of peace that is feathry white;  
And still o'er the standards they bear on high  
There hovers the eagle of victory.

His nostrils have scented the sulphurous breath  
Of the boiling caldron of battle and death;  
His broad wings spread in the wavering fight,  
And his screams rang out with a fierce delight,  
When the ranks of the traitors were turned to fly,  
Like the fabled trumpet of victory.

In every guise he has looked upon death,  
In the battle's rude shock, in the pestilent breath,  
On the long, hot march, when the souls set free  
Saw Sherman cog conquering down to the sea;  
But he never has seen the standards fly  
Of the mighty west, save in victory.

O! thus be it ever when traitors assail!  
While the land owns a home, or the sea keeps a sail,  
Our west, like her eagle, shall lift to the sun  
Her swords that are legion, her soul that is one;  
And swear by the God that reigneth on high,  
In Liberty's quarrel to conquer or die!

"Old Abe" the Battle Eagle," song sheet, zoomable image," House Divided: The Civil War Research Engine at Dickinson College, <https://hd.housedivided.dickinson.edu/node/41271>.

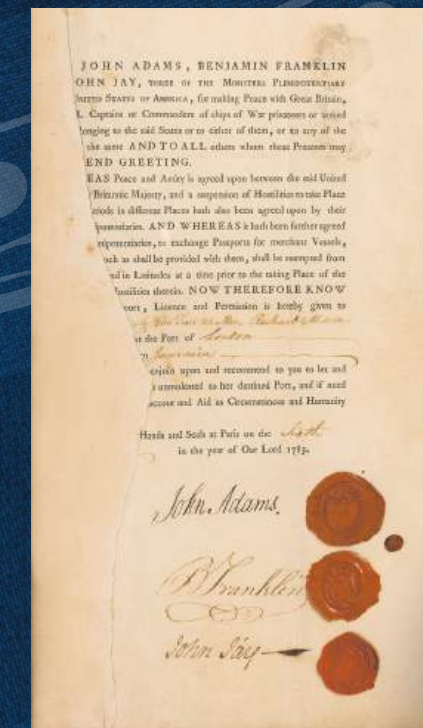
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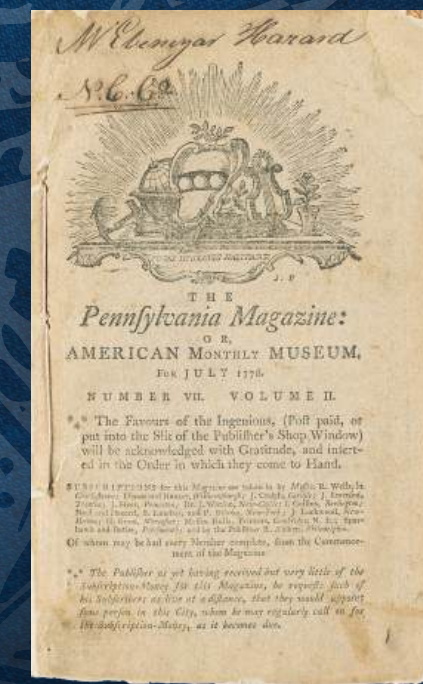


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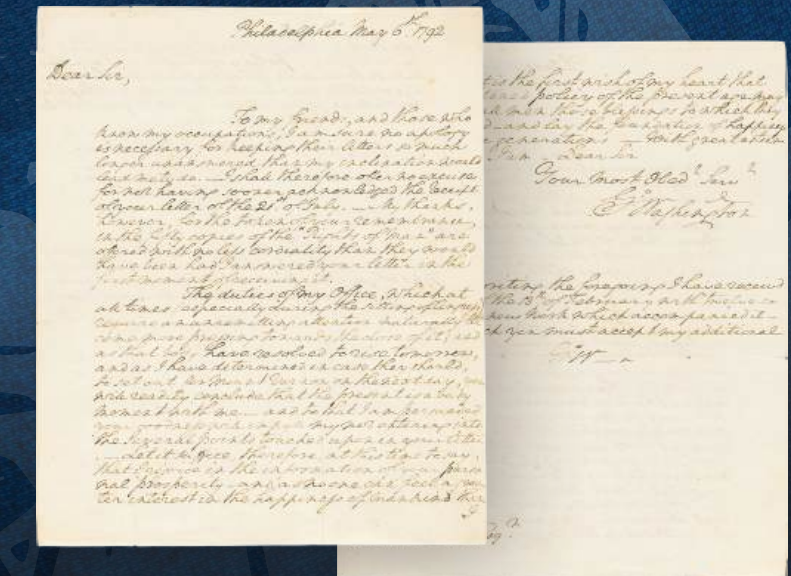
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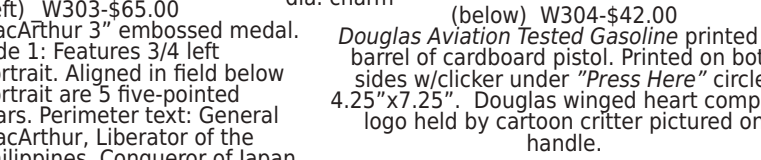
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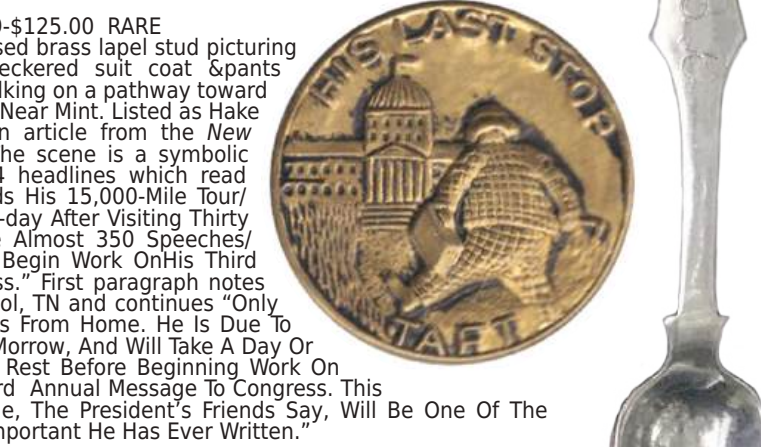
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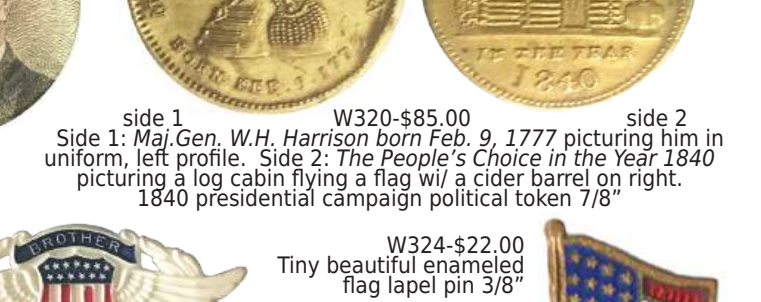
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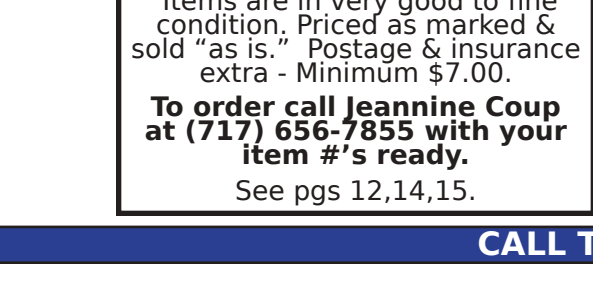
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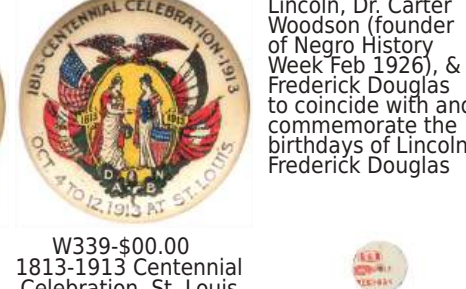
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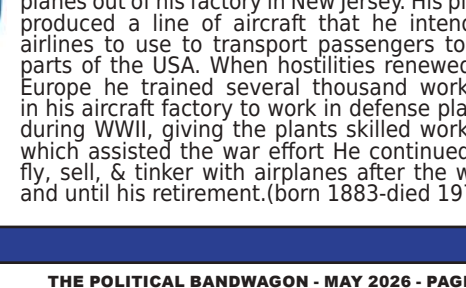
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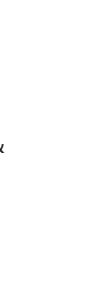
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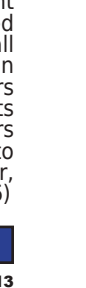
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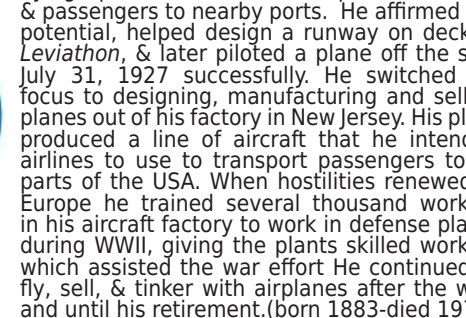
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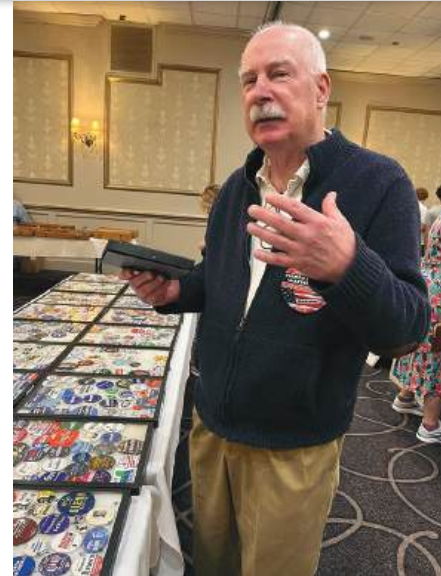
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*In late November 1773, the Nantucket whaling ship Dartmouth sailed into Boston harbor. Her cargo was tea, brought back from England after sailing there with a load of whale oil. At the time, much of the population of Boston had gotten a tad irritable about British taxation and duties on tea, so the Dartmouth was not allowed to unload her cargo. A few days later she was joined by the Eleanor, also loaded with tea and similarly detained in the harbor unable to unload. On December 15th, the Beaver arrived, and became the third ship that would, the next day, play a role in one of the pivotal events in this country's fight for independence.*

*We all know what happened to that tea in Boston harbor on December 16, 1773. <https://raunerlibrary.blogspot.com/2014/12/aboard-dartmouth.html>*

**JAMES OTIS, JR: SEEDS OF INDEPENDENCE**  
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how they planned to govern themselves. This is considered the first Constitution in America.

During the next 40 years leading up to the Stamp Act Crisis, people in both the northern colony & the southern began to emerge raising louder and stronger voices against the imposition of taxes on the colonists by the King and Parliament. The American colonials used words and the legal system, not swords, to make their case against Great Britain before a revolutionary shot was ever fired. Lawyer and politician James Otis, Jr. was among them, a fervent opponent of writs of assistance, and known for his argument against the writs in the high court in Boston February 1761. In 1764 Otis expanded his argument in a widely distributed pamphlet stating American colonists lacked proper parliamentary representation, making it unconstitutional for Parliament to tax the colonists. So were men like Patrick Henry making the argument in the House of Burgesses four years later.

During the Stamp Act Crisis in 1765, the House of Burgesses played a critical role in opposing the British government's attempt to enforce the provisions of the Stamp Act. Patrick Henry introduced a series of resolutions known as the Virginia Stamp Act Resolves, which argued that only the General Assembly had the authority to levy taxes on Virginia colonists. Henry also argued any attempts by the British government to tax Virginians without their consent was an attack on their rights. Although the resolutions were controversial, most of them were passed by the House of Burgesses and published in newspapers throughout the American Colonies. <https://www.americanhistorycentral.com/entries/house-of-burgesses/>

The pace of resistance quickened with the passage of the May 10, 1773 Tea Act by Parliament, resulting in the Boston Tea Party December 16, 1773 at Griffin's Wharf in the Boston harbor. The Intolerable Acts of 1774 in response to the Boston Tea Party were a pivotal moment leading to the American Revolution. The meeting of the First Continental Congress soon followed in September 1774.

**James Otis, Jr - A Founding Father**

We know of patriots who saw the future of America, and were willing to sacrifice even their lives to achieve their goals. How did they develop these ideas into action when the rest of the world did not? The American type of government did not develop with a sword or a battle, but instead with words, legal processes and persuasion. James Otis, Jr. was one of the first men in the colonies to put these unusual ideas of liberty and governance into words and onto paper.

Yes, it was about high taxes. More importantly it was about taxation without representation. But, that wasn't all. Many Americans felt they were being cruelly harmed by a King and his government who were three thousand miles and three to six months' journey away. The two countries on either side of the Atlantic did not understand the other's problem, nor did they care.

James Otis Jr. (February 5, 1725 - May 23, 1783) was an American lawyer, politician, and activist who was an early supporter of patriotic causes in the Province of Massachusetts Bay at the beginning of the American Revolution. He was a graduate of Harvard who rose to the top of the Boston legal profession. He was a mentor to Samuel Adams, a friend of Thomas Paine, and his oratorical style inspired John Adams.

James Otis Jr. was not among the men who signed the Declaration of Independence, and he had largely vanished from public life by the time the Revolution arrived. But for more than a decade before the first shots were fired at Lexington and Concord, he was perhaps the most prominent voice for colonial

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rights in British North America. His moment came in 1761, when he took on a case that would shape the future of American political and constitutional thought.

Otis spent the decade before the war making the case in courtrooms and newspapers that Parliament had no right to tax the colonies, since colonists could not elect their own representatives to it.

As early as 1761 when Writs of Assistance were first introduced, James Otis spoke at an open meeting in Old Town Hall in Boston for four hours on the subject of taxes, freedom and being represented in the government:

Gentlemen, to my dying day I will oppose, with all the power given me, all instruments of slavery on one hand, and of villany on the other hand. A man's house is his castle, and whilst he is quiet he is well guarded as a prince in his castle.

These 'writs', if declared legal, would totally annihilate this privilege. Custom-houses officers may enter our houses when they please. Their menial servants may enter, may break locks, bars, and everything in their way.

Wanton exercise of these powers is not a fanciful suggestion of a heated brain. What a scene does this open! Every man, prompted by revenge, ill humor or wontonness to inspect his neighbor's house, may get a writ of assistance. Others will ask for it from self defense. One arbitrary exertion will provoke more, until society is bathed in blood and tumult.

Otis pointed out all the grievances and hardships which Britain had forced on the colonies. When he finished his impassioned speech, future president John Adams reached his own conclusion. According to Adams, Otis was "a flame of fire" that day. "American Independence was then and there born," he wrote. "Every man of an immense crowded audience appeared to me to go away, as I did, ready to take up arms against Writs of Assistance." Adams promoted Otis as a major player in the coming of the Revolution, writing nearly 50 years later: "Then and there was the first scene of the first Act of opposition to the Arbitrary claims of Great Britain. Then and there the Child Independence was born. ... The seeds of Patriots & Heroes ... were then & there sown."

There were more than 300 people crowded into the Boston Hall that night. There was no need to explain the meaning of the legal term 'Writ of Assistance' to the attendees.

New England, especially the Boston area was a seafaring region, most families made their living from the sea. England had refused to allow the colonies to trade with French (Britain's longtime enemy) islands in the Caribbean, nor with neutral ports there. All commerce must go through England. The mother country could tax the merchandise both coming into England and again going out to the colonies. Merchants who wanted to bring cheaper untaxed goods to America found ways to go around this law. Ship owners offered to be intermediaries for the exchange of prisoners held in forbidden places. They promised to outfit their vessels to accommodate this service. While in port, the crews would load all the ship could carry. Smuggling was more profitable when you eliminated the hated excise fees and taxes.

The Writ of Assistance allowed the tax collector with his detachment of English soldiers to search for smuggled contraband goods. In practice the Writ became a blank search warrant. It empowered officers of the custom service, the courts and army to search any home, barn, church or warehouse at anytime with little or no justification, no advance notice, no probable cause, and no reason given. No solid evidence of any wrong doing was required.

James Otis, Jr. had become Boston's most outspoken radical. He had said many times, "no taxation without representation." Massachusetts and surrounding states were listening and reading his ideas. Otis' ideas about the taxes was that nobody should have to pay for the monetary support of a government in which they were not represented. Parliament claimed that all citizens were "virtually represented." James Otis claimed:

The very act of taxing exercised over those who are not represented appears to be depriving them of one of their most essential rights, and if continued seems to be, in effect, an entire disenfranchisement of every civil right."

No wonder a group of 68 leading merchants of Boston hired this outspoken lawyer and his partner, Oxenbridge Thatcher, to represent them to challenge the legality of Writs of Assistance before the Superior Court, the predecessor of the Massachusetts Supreme Judicial Court. In order to defend the citizens Otis had to resign his well paid job as advocate general of the vice-admiralty court. Though he considered himself a loyal subject to the crown, he argued against the Writs of Assistance in a nearly five-hour oration before a select audience in the State House in February 1761. He lost the case in court, but won the hearts and minds of his fellow Bostonians and galvanized the revolutionary movement.

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# TREASURES on the WEB

By Paul Bengston

The web sure has changed our hobby. I can participate live online at an auction in Texas or just across town from the comfort of my den. It wasn't that long ago that you had to travel just to see if there was anything you wanted. If there was, you had to sit for hours waiting for your lot to come up to bid. I have traveled thousands of miles over the years to auctions that listed political buttons only to turn around and go home once I got a view. Of all the web platforms that have changed our hobby, eBay and Facebook have had the most impact. Facebook allows people with special interests to connect. There are Facebook groups for almost every area of political collecting. I run a group for Minnesota collectors and there are several other state specific groups. The beauty of these groups is connecting people with similar interests and the building of a library of photographs of the memorabilia available. These image libraries will live on to help new collectors' decades from now. Is there a group for collectors of your state? If not, start one. It is a great way to meet like-minded collectors in your area. I would love to see each state have a group.



1st up is a wonderfully graphic William Henry Harrison ribbon. With the Harrison and Reform slogan and the log cabin imagery, this is a fun item. Seller said it was found in a book which helps explain the mint condition. It sold for \$258.

This pair of Fisk & Brooks Prohibition Party ribbons sold for \$469. One was from a one-day event in Nebraska City.



I thought the final price of \$51 was a steal on this 7/8" "McKinley Sweeper Cigars" pin.



This TR Fairbanks jugate paperweight has terrific graphics and appeared to be in excellent condition. It sold for \$513. A very nice 3D item.



This 1 1/4" "Let the People Rule John Lind" 1898 for Governor of Minnesota pin is seldom seen. Lind was a one-armed Governor and is remembered for punching a reporter on his last day in office. This sold for \$40.



I think someone got a very good buy on this large oval ear of corn Bryan pin. Usually seen on a badge, this one had a filled back pin. A great buy at \$362.



There is a whole set of color variations of the Taft playgrounds pin. Each color was for different donation levels. I think gold is the rarest. This black version sold for \$113.



I just love this sepia 1910 "Appalachian Exposition Taft Day" 1 1/2" pinback showing "The Two Presidents" Taft and William J. Oliver (an industrialist). Very rare, this sold for \$668.

Another one-day event Taft pin sold was this "President's Reception" pin from the Southern Hotel on Columbus Ohio. Dated Jan. 30th, 1912, Taft was on his way out of the spotlight. This sold as a Buy It Now for \$350.

A group of Hughes pins sold for \$654 that included this rare red rimmed 7/8" version along with a very good 1 1/4" picture pin. A good buy.

This "The Guiding Light of Our Nation" Al Smith pins comes with blue lettering



and in red lettering. This red version sold for \$127. One of the better-looking Smith pins.

FDR and Garner made an appearance inside a wooden cigar box. A nice graphic item, this sold for \$165.

This 8 1/2" x 11" Lyndon Johnson for Congress handbill or broadside had some people on Facebook questioning its authenticity. I have no doubt it is fine and good. It sold for \$800.



The Nashville Tennessean Newspaper made a big deal about a train trip to the inaugural of John Kennedy which included giving out this 2 1/4" pin for those who took the trip. This sold as a Buy It Now for \$759.



From the Labor's Non-Partisan League, this Rockefeller Javits and Lefkowitz 1 1/4" pin must be a tough one as it sold for \$204.

The 3" lithographic pin showing Barry and Margaret "Peggy" Goldwater who were "Indiana's Favorite Family" has really come down in price. These sold for \$200 in the 70's. This one sold for only \$68. I consider this a classic item and a must have for any Goldwater frame.



This 1 1/2" Reagan Nixon in '68" pin was poorly printed but that didn't deter bidding as it sold for \$217.

The best buy of the month in my opinion is the \$150 Buy It Now price on this plastic name badge for Robert Kennedy "STAFF". The name on the badge is Cesar Chavez. With the item came a letter from a Chavez staffer donating the item to a teacher of labor politics in the 70's. Hard to beat this for a Kennedy or labor collector.



This 3" ceramic "Nixon '72 Friend" had a pin on the back. A neat and unusual item, it sold for \$101.



If you have a Clinton frame, it should include a "Clinton for Congress" pin from 1974. This 2" one sold for \$301.

From Illinois "Reagan KO's Anderson" is another I don't recall seeing. It sold for \$125.

If you enjoy discussing online sales, join the Facebook group "Treasures on the Web" for comments on these and many other items.



Best & happy hunting, Paul Bengston APIC #3514

## JFK'S BIRTHDAY 5/29/1917- HIS FAVORITE QUOTES

"The only thing necessary for the triumph of evil is for good men to do nothing." (Edmund Burke)

From One Man's America, by Alistair Cooke: On the 19th of May, 1780, as Mr. Cooke describes it, in Hartford, Connecticut, the skies at noon turned from blue to gray and by mid-afternoon had blackened over so densely that, in that religious age, men fell on their knees and begged a final blessing before the end came. The Connecticut House of Representatives was in session. And as some men fell down in the darkened chamber and others clamored for an immediate adjournment, the Speaker of the House, one Colonel Daveport, came to his feet. And he silenced the din with these words: "The Day of Judgment is either approaching or it is not. If it is not, there is no cause for adjournment. If it is, I choose to be found doing my duty. I wish, therefore, that candles may be brought."

Sources: <https://www.jfklibrary.org/learn/about-jfk/life-of-john-f-kennedy/fast-facts-john-f-kennedy>

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## OLD ABE - THE 101st SCREAMING EAGLE

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Old Abe at War: Take Cover <https://wisvetmuseum.com/old-abe-the-war-eagle/>

Old Abe saw his share of fighting during his time in service. The first major action the Eighth Wisconsin experienced took place at Farmington (Mississippi) in May 1862. During the battle, Captain Perkins ordered James McGinnis, who carried Old Abe, to the rear for protection. Later in the battle, the regiment took cover from Confederate artillery fire. McGinnis realized that he was out of the range of the artillery and did not lie down with some of the others in the company. Old Abe, imitating the men, leapt down from his perch. Seeing this, McGinnis picked him up off the ground and placed him back on his perch, only to have him jump back off the perch to the ground. After several attempts to get Old Abe to remain on his perch, McGinnis reluctantly joined the mascot, taking cover on the ground. When the regiment rose from cover, Old Abe leapt back on his perch and flapped his wings to convey his readiness.

While "eagle bearer" was never an official rank in the Union Army, the Eighth Wisconsin created it as an honorary position. Throughout the Civil War, five men held the unofficial, yet highly sought after, rank of eagle bearer. In addition to the honor of caring for and protecting Old Abe, the eagle bearer was spared guard and fatigue duty.

Aside from being a popular target for Confederate sharpshooters, the most difficult aspect of being the eagle bearer may have been attempting to feed Old Abe, a notoriously picky eater. Beef made up the majority of his diet, with the addition of an occasional rabbit or squirrel as they were caught. When beef was unavailable, chicken or duck frequently filled the void. Old Abe refused to eat any kind of grain. Interestingly, eagle-bearer David McLain stated that the eagle was "very fond of minnows," presumably due to their similarity to the fish that make up a major part of a wild bald eagle's diet.

Listed below are the five members of the regiment who served as eagle-bearers, with the dates they held the position during the war:

James McGinnis: Sept. 1, 1861 – May 30, 1862

Thomas J. Hill: May 30, 1862 – Aug. 18, 1862

David McLain: Aug 18, 1862 – Oct 1862

Edward Homiston: Oct. 1862 – Sept. 1863

Jacob Burkhardt: Sept 1863 – Sept. 1864

\*John F. Hill, brother of Thomas Hill, served as eagle-bearer during the journey from Chicago to Madison in September 1864. <https://wisvetmuseum.com/old-abe-the-war-eagle/>



Old Abe & John F. Hill

Their enlistments having expired, the men of the 8th Wisconsin were mustered out of federal service in late-1864. The 8th Wisconsin Volunteer Infantry Regiment was no more. On Sept. 26th, 1864, a contingent of 70 8th Wisconsin veterans marched "Old Abe" to the state and presented him to Governor James Lewis. "Old Abe" was donated to the people of Wisconsin by the loving comrades alongside whom he had fought for four years.

In 1865 an enterprising Chicagoan, capitalizing on "Old Abe's" fame, sought to enlist him in support of the United Sanitary Commission's efforts to provide aid and comfort to wounded Veterans. Thus the "Army of the American Eagle" was formed. Children were "enlisted" to sell paper photographs of "Old Abe" in much the same way that schools raise funds today. Proceeds from the sale of these photographs went to benefit local veteran's charities.

The Wisconsin War Eagle's post-war life was punctuated by frequent nationwide travel in support of veteran reunions, patriotic gatherings, Soldier relief benefits, and special exhibitions during which he achieved a rock star-like status. In 1876, "Old Abe" again toured the country as part of America's Centennial Exposition.



Distinctive Challenge Coin commemorating the dedicated service of the US Army 101st Airborne Division, The Screaming Eagles. 1.75"

This distinctive Challenge Coin commemorates the dedicated service of the U.S. Army 101st Airborne Division (Air Assault), nicknamed the "Screaming Eagles." The 101st Airborne Division (Air Assault) provides our Nation an unmatched expeditionary Air Assault capability to conduct forcible entry and other worldwide unified land operations in support of combatant commanders (from the 101st Division website). The 101st Airborne Division ("Screaming Eagles") is a modular light infantry division trained for air assault operation. During World War II, it was renowned for its role in Operation Overlord (the D-Day landings and airborne landings on June 6, 1944, in Normandy, France), Operation Market Garden, the liberation of the Netherlands and, perhaps most famously, its action during the Battle of the Bulge around the city of Bastogne, Belgium. During the Vietnam War, the 101st Airborne Division fought in several major campaigns and battles including the fight for Hamburger Hill in May 1969. In mid-1968 it was reorganized and redesignated as an airborne division, then in 1974 as an air assault division. These titles reflect the division's shift from airplanes as the primary method of delivering troops into combat, to the use of helicopters. Many current members of the 101st are graduates of the U.S. Army Air Assault School. Division headquarters is at Fort Campbell, Kentucky. In recent years, the division has served in Iraq and Afghanistan. The division is one of the most highly decorated units in the United States Army and has been featured prominently in military fiction. This uncirculated Challenge Coin measures approximately 1.75 inches in diameter.

Source: <https://www.worthpoint.com/worthopedia/army-101st-airborne-division-1786819915>

"Old Abe" lived out the remainder of his life in an aviary in the Capitol building. In 1881, a fire broke out in a paint and solvent storage area near "Old Abe's" aviary. A month later the famous Wisconsin War Eagle, weakened by fumes, died in the arms of his handler, George Gilles.

Many newspapers and Veterans groups wondered aloud "what would become of this famous, flesh and blood war relic?" Upon his death, "Old Abe" was preserved and exhibited in the Capitol building's G.A.R. Grand Army of the Republic Memorial Hall until a fire destroyed the display in 1904. Sadly, only a few of "Old Abe's" feathers survive, carefully preserved by the Wisconsin Veterans' Museum in Madison.

Since 1865, Wisconsin-based J.I. Case farm implement company has used "Old Abe" as part of their corporate logo. Dating to about 1900, this lithograph on tin promotes J.I. Case Threshing Machine Co., Racine, Wisconsin. Case adopted the now well-known "Old Abe" Case eagle on top of the globe as its trademark in 1865. This sign was produced by Norton Bros., Chicago. Very few farm machinery advertising signs were made on tin; those that survive are fragile, as the image tends to flake from the tin surface. <https://www.farmcollector.com/equipment/old-abe-case-eagle-zm0z13augzbea/>



Rare Vintage large 9inch 101st Airborne Screaming Eagles jacket patch

The Screaming Eagle insignia of the 101st Airborne Division (Air Assault) is perhaps the most recognized and famous shoulder sleeve insignia in the United States Army.

Sources: *The Story of "Old Abe," Famous Wisconsin War Eagle on 101st Airborne Division patch*  
By Capt. James A. Page, November 15, 2012. [https://www.army.mil/article/91178/the\\_story\\_of\\_old\\_abe\\_famous\\_wisconsin\\_war\\_eagle\\_on\\_101st\\_airborne\\_division\\_patch](https://www.army.mil/article/91178/the_story_of_old_abe_famous_wisconsin_war_eagle_on_101st_airborne_division_patch)

*Old Abe Wisconsin's War Eagle*, July 20, 2022

<https://wisvetmuseum.com/old-abe-the-war-eagle/Old Abe Case Eagle Lithograph, Circa 1900, By Farm Collector, Published on June 21, 2013>  
<https://www.farmcollector.com/equipment/old-abe-case-eagle-zm0z13augzbea/>

## AMNESTY INTERNATIONAL - May 28, 1961

**"Better to light a candle than curse the darkness."**

Amnesty International was founded May 28, 1961 by London lawyer Peter Berenson. He read about the arrest of a group of students in Portugal then launched a one-year campaign to free them called Appeal for Amnesty. Today Amnesty International has over a million members in 150 countries working to free prisoners of conscience, stop torture and the death penalty, and guarantee human rights for everyone.

The Amnesty International logo is one of those rare marks in the nonprofit world that you recognize before you even read the text next to it. A lit candle wrapped in barbed wire. Simple. Direct. And it has carried the weight of a global human rights movement since 1963.

The emblem sits at the crosspoint of protest art and corporate identity, which is a tricky spot for any organization to land. But Amnesty pulled it off. The mark works on a banner at a protest march just as well as it does on a letterhead or a website header. That kind of flexibility doesn't happen by accident. What makes this logo different from most nonprofit marks is its emotional punch. It doesn't try to be friendly or approachable. It tells you something is wrong, and it tells you there's hope at the same time. That dual message, all packed into two visual elements, is what has kept it relevant for over sixty years.

Created in 1963 by British artist Diana Redhouse, the design draws from the Chinese proverb "Better to light a candle than curse the darkness." It represents hope for political prisoners and people suffering human rights abuses worldwide. Redhouse created the original image for Amnesty's first-ever Christmas card. Benenson chose her design because of, as he put it, its simplicity and the effectiveness of its symbolism.

The relationship between the candle and the wire is the big one. The wire wraps around the candle, but it doesn't crush it or snuff out the flame. That tension is built into the design on purpose. Every part of this logo carries a specific meaning. The candle is hope. The barbed wire is oppression. Together, they tell the story of Amnesty's entire mission in a single image.

Amnesty won the Nobel Peace Prize in 1977.

Source: <https://www.designyourway.net/blog/amnesty-international-logo/>



Dating to about 1900, this lithograph on tin promotes J.I. Case Threshing Machine Co., Racine, Wisconsin. Grateful acknowledgement is given to David Schnakenberg, who contributed this image from his collection of pre-1910 chromolithographs of farm machinery advertising to the Farm Collector for their article. <https://www.farmcollector.com/equipment/old-abe-case-eagle-zm0z13augzbea/>

Today, large sculptures of "Old Abe" stand atop the Wisconsin monument at Vicksburg, Miss., and atop the entrance to old Camp Randall, now the main entrance to the University of Wisconsin's football stadium. "Old Abe" also serves as the mascot of several Wisconsin high schools.

Since 1921, "Old Abe's" head, in profile, has served as the shoulder sleeve insignia of the 101st Airborne Division (Air Assault). A large-scale diorama of the 8th Wisconsin's Color Guard, complete with "Old Abe," is on exhibit in the atrium of the division headquarters building on Fort Campbell.



WWII US 101st Airborne Div. Screaming Eagles cloth back patch

## JAMES OTIS, JR.: SEEDS OF INDEPENDENCE

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Scholars today consider this speech in court one of the most important in our history. This speech, and other writings of Otis', urging the separation of Great Britain and the American colonies were widely reprinted throughout the colonies and England. "Wherever his passionate words were read, men were strengthened in their resolve to resist British "oppression," writes W. Garrison.

The case against the Writ of Assurances went to the courts of London. It took five years for the "Boston case" to reach Britain's attorney general who ruled, "the Writs of Assistance did not apply to the colonies." This ruling had little effect on the colonies. When the ruling was sent to the Chief Justice of Massachusetts, Thomas Hutchinson, he claimed the Chief Justice in London was wrong. He claimed the Writs legal in the colonies. Hutchinson wrote: they were "essential for the welfare of Great Britain, Ireland and our sovereign King George III.

The text of Otis' 1761 speech was much enhanced by Adams on several occasions; it was first printed in 1773 and in longer forms in 1819 and 1823. In 1764, Otis expanded his argument in a pamphlet stating that Americans lacked proper Parliamentary representation, making it unconstitutional for Parliament to tax Americans. Otis made a full-throated argument for the rights of the colonists as British subjects — and as human beings. Remarkably for his time, Otis even advocated for racial equality. To Otis African Americans had inalienable rights, and he favored extending the freedoms of life, liberty, and property to them. The idea of racial equality permeates his *Rights of the British Colonies Asserted and Proved* (1764), in which he states:

The colonists are by the law of nature freeborn, as indeed all men are, white or black.—James Otis, *Rights of the British Colonies*, 1764

Otis was the first leader of the period to develop distinctive American ideas of constitutionalism and representation. Some scholars argue he should be seen as a practical political thinker rather than a theorist, explaining why his positions seem to change or evolve as he adjusted to altered political realities.

By contrast, James Otis' wife had strong Tory sentiments. She was furious when he agreed to take the case against the Writs, thus turning his back against England. Seeking to stop him, she informed him that she "would stop sleeping with him while he was busy undermining the authority of our King." She then let everyone in Boston know of her resolve. [Lysistrata anyone?]

Personal attacks against Otis began soon after he began speaking about freedom for the colonies. Tories and Mrs. Otis were jubilant when anything negative was said or written about him. *The Boston Evening Post* published a set of verses deriding the man his friends called, Jamie or Gemmy:

Gemmy is a silly dog,  
and Gemmy was a fool:  
Gemmy is a stupid cur,  
and Gemmy is a fool.

A new proverb went around Boston: "Otis is the oak that has drawn the lightning of British wrath." James Otis was not the only American who opposed what he considered "oppression from afar." Most who agreed with him were less educated, less articulate and less prominent. The rage and hatred shown to Otis by the British and Tories elevated him to a new role among the Boston patriots. He became a "sought after guest at dinners, banquets and teas." This way local grievances of the patriots were spread throughout the Boston area and carried far beyond. Otis became so well known and liked that he won a seat in the general court (ie: provincial legislature).

His wife, whose views never changed, became even angrier when Otis made a motion at the general court to call for the Stamp Act Congress. At the meeting, attendees realized they could do nothing to stop the use of tax stamps. Otis launched a "non-importation movement." Merchants and consumers who were supporters refused to buy goods imported from England, which caused a rise in smuggling.

James Otis' pamphlets were as widely circulated in England as they were in America. During a period of about twelve years his "influence exceeded that of any other colonial with the possible exception of John Dickinson.

"His influence at home in controlling and directing the movement of events which led to the War of Independence was universally felt and acknowledged," according to the Encyclopaedia Britannica, "and abroad no American was so frequently quoted, denounced, or applauded in parliament and the English press before 1769 as the recognized head and chief of the rebellious spirit of the New England colonists."

Massachusetts Governor Bernard called Otis "a malignant incendiary." When James heard of the label he put a notice in the *Boston Gazette* that "branded them all liars." Soon after the notice was published in 1769 a group of crown officers found Otis in the British Coffee House. They shouted at him and called him names which led to a fight with John Robinson. Otis was struck on the head with a cutlass by Robinson. Initially, the wound seemed to do little harm. Soon the injury became serious and the affects were permanent. James Otis "began to ramble and wonder around town like a ship without a helm." The year 1769 marked the end of Otis Jr.'s celebrated presence in public life. His decline left him largely unfit to continue his law practice. As the cause of independence gained momentum, Otis faded from public life.

Mrs. Otis rejoiced. Her husband would "strike no more blows against the authority of the King and his officials."

Patriots who for years had looked toward Otis for leadership were lost without him, searched for another well educated, respected, well spoken leader to follow. *The Boston Gazette* ran a notice stating, "One James Otis could be seen walking the streets and allies of Boston mumbling to himself about freedom, stopping men to argue, making no sense then moving on."

In December 1771 the probate court took an unusual action. James Otis' younger brother, Samuel, was made his legal guardian.

Four years later, Otis eluded the servants who were watching him and on December 17, 1775, borrowed a gun. He found his way to Bunker Hill where he tried to take part in the battle. His brother brought him home and sent him to the countryside.

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It was there, at the farm, the once brilliant attorney, orator, writer and patriot died May 23, 1783. This once great man known as an "oak that drew the lightning of British wrath" was killed by a "stroke of nature's lightning." According to the Dictionary of American Biography, "only the fire from heaven could release his fiery soul." Otis died as a result of literally being struck by lightning at the age of 58 while watching a thunderstorm from the doorway of a friend's home. His body lies today near Paul Revere, Samuel Adams, and John Hancock in the Granary Burying Ground in Boston.

Otis never served in the Continental Congress or signed the Declaration of Independence. He was not a drafter of the Constitution, and he never served in the government created by the new Constitution. Yet Otis's zealous opposition to general warrants helped inspire the Fourth Amendment, which prohibits unreasonable searches and seizures, and his vision of liberty under law is embodied in the structure of our Constitution. He lived long enough to see the independence he had helped inspire. (Joe Burns writing for *The Hill*.)

James Otis, Jr. was a man far ahead of his time. He was able to articulate the causes and needs of such a momentous undertaking as a revolutionary war against a sovereign king. Even more important, he guided his supporters and fellow patriots toward a new concept of liberty and governance.

Samuel Adams, a fire-brand in his own right, became an early ally of Otis. Adams took Otis' famous rally cry, "No taxation without representation," to heart; organized the Boston Tea Party to protest the tea tax. Patrick Henry purchased many of Otis' pamphlets. Later he claimed they gave him encouragement to write the "Give Me Liberty or Give Me Death" speech. And fellow Bostonian John Adams became our second president. "In challenging the idea that the government's authority was absolute, Otis helped lay the groundwork for the American understanding of constitutional limits, individual rights and resistance to arbitrary authority," wrote Burns. Patriots persuaded by and following James Otis' example, lead ultimately to the American Revolution, the Constitution of the United States, and freedom American-style. We remember him in this our 250th anniversary year.

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