



LBJ signed drawing

LYNDON BAINES JOHNSON (1908–73) 36th President of the United States (1963–69) A rare and fascinating signed caricature of Lyndon B. Johnson “drawn from life at the White House” by Czechoslovakian caricaturist Oscar Berger. Across the bottom Johnson has autographed the artwork. Tissue paper covers and protects with red lettered “Original: Handle with Care Please” 13”x 13½”. Very Fine. **\$1,250**

Here is pictured, what the years have brought him



A Clever sketch on events in JFK's life

Nice separate caricatures by world famous Czechoslovakian artist Oscar Berger titled: **“President John F. Kennedy, Born May 29, 1917. Here is pictured, what the years have brought him...”** by Oscar Berger. In a fitting tribute to Kennedy drawn as President, Berger delightfully chronicles his life from a baby with Rattle, through Football at Dexter, Harvard, B.S. Cum Laude, Decorated by Navy for Exploits in the Pacific, Elected to Congress, Senate, Marriage to Jacqueline, Pulitzer Prize, White House...and **“9 To-day: World Problems”** ! with a strong image of Kennedy on the phone. 18 ½” x 22½”. A few light creases, mostly Fine. **\$950**



MAO TSE TUNG (1893-1976): founded the People's Republic of China in 1949. Caricature of the Communist Chinese leader. On the bottom in red: “China's Mao's Tse Tung,” in black: “Drawing by Oscar Berger” 10” x 14”. **\$245**



Pope John Paul II

JOHN PAUL II (1920-2005) Pope. Caricature of Pope John Paul II “drawn from life” by world famous Czechoslovakian caricaturist Oscar Berger dated 1979. 9½”x 12 ½”; Signed “Berger '79.” Fine. **\$245**

Presidential Parade The Presidents all in one line



A rare and intriguing signed caricature by Oscar Berger of 36 presidents. Running continuously from the tip of George Washington's sword to the end of Johnson's necktie, Oscar Berger's nimble squiggle is symbolic: the presidency goes on without interruption, despite the astounding variety of chief executives. Through the bearded and the clean-jowled the somber and the sly, the able and the not so able, the line flows along endlessly witnessing the persistence of the American consensus. A new face added, the line flutters once again like a nation's electroencephalograph, transforming the passions and judgements of a people into the caricature that is history. 22” x 14” Mounting traces from small numbers of presidents affixed next to each president, some of which have fallen away, light soiling, Very Good. **\$750**

Historical Autographs



A rare early Colony of Rhode Island document signed by Stephen Hopkins

STEPHEN HOPKINS (1707-1785). Signer of the Declaration of Independence from Rhode Island; Governor of Rhode Island. Document Signed. One page. 8 1/4 x 6 1/2". Partly printed legal document dated November 9, 1734 in which Jonathon Wade of Gloucester in the County of Providence, Joiner is "*holden and firmly bound*" unto the "*Trustees of the Colony in the sum of seven pounds in good and passable Bills of Public Credit on said Colony...*" The money to be repaid on or before the eight day of November 1749. In order to facilitate an emission, the Colony has given Wade Bills of Credit in exchange for a portion of mortgage on his property thus insuring an orderly currency backed by the public confidence. Signed as "Stephen Hopkins" certifying the document was Signed, Sealed and Delivered in his presence. A rare example of early American finance displaying the development to the monetary system of the colonies signed by one of America's most important patriots. Overall Fine.

\$1,250



Payment for Revolutionary War officer Zebulon Butler

ZEBULON BUTLER (1731-1795) American army officer who

served in the French and Indian War, led settlers into the Wyoming Valley and commanded the fort there when it was attacked by hostile Indians. Butler escaped with his life, but his command was massacred. Document Signed "Zeb. Butler Col", 1p. "Received, of Pay-Table-Committee, their Order on the Treasurer of this State, to secure the payment of 337 pounds and 3/5" being the balance due to Butler. Dated January 1781 "as stated by the committee of the State of the Army." Hartford. 7x6 1/2". Fine.

\$325



Signer of the Constitution

WILLIAM SAMUEL JOHNSON. American jurist and educator, member of Continental Congress, president of Columbia College. Autograph endorsement issued to and signed, in full: "*Wm Saml. Johnson.*" 6x4 3/4" State of Connecticut pay table office document dated May 21, 1787 issued to and signed on reverse by William Samuel Johnson. Also signed by Oliver Wolcott and Elizer Wales. Among his many accomplishments, Johnson's crowning achievement was his work in the federal convention. Fine.

\$395

"...guilty of uttering and passing a counterfeit dollar..."



Future signer of the Declaration of Independence signs his payment for prosecuting a counterfeiter

SAMUEL HUNTINGTON (1731-1796) Signer of Declaration of Independence from Connecticut. Document Signed by Samuel Huntington while in service of the office of the King's attorney regarding a charge of Counterfeiting a dollar: "*Sir, please to pay out of the publick Treasury Saml Huntington Esq. Kings Attory for the New London County the Sum of Eleven pounds Six Shillings & four pence it being the whole amount of a bill of Cost taxd in the Case... Joseph Butler who was Committed to Goal on Suspicion of his lieing (sic) Guilty of Uttering and passing a Counterfeit Dollar who is now Discharged. Dated at New London, October 1, 1766.*" Signed on the reverse in beautiful pen: "*Saml Huntington.*" Also signed by Joseph Gale. 7 1/2 x 4" Early and unusual. Fine.

\$750



Timothy Pickering to John Pickering

TIMOTHY PICKERING (1745-1829). American statesman; colonel in the Continental Army fighting in the battles of Lexington and Concord, participating in Washington's campaign of 1776-77, spending the winter



Large Vellum deed signed by Robert Morris and his wife

ROBERT MORRIS (1734-1806): Signer of Declaration of Independence. DS. 1 page. 26" x 14". **"This Indenture...between Robert Morris of the City of Philadelphia, Merchant and Many his Wife...and William Smith, Broker...a Lot or piece of Ground ...Situat on the West side of Sixth Street from Delaware in the said City... Three red official wax seals adorn the signatures. On the verso Robert Morris has signed his name again stating he has received the Sum of 325 Pounds. There is also a lengthy Brief of Title with historical record fo the property beginning "Patent William Penn, esq. to John Marlow of London, Mariner dated the 29th of Sept 1718 for a lot of Ground on the North Side of Mulberry Street in the City of Philadelphia..." Following through until 1768 with names of previous owners and deed dates, ending with "...releasing this Ground Rent to the said Robert Morris." A fine and seldom seen association of both Morris' on a single document. A magnificent presentation. Usual folds. Very Fine. **\$900****

Wealthy Boston merchant Geroge Erving just after a month after Lexington and Concord

GEORGE ERVING (1738-1806): Wealthy Boston merchant. He was graduated from Harvard College in 1757, and in 1768 married Lucy Winslow (d.1770), daughter of Isaac and Lucy Winslow. Their only son was George William Erving (1769-1850), later a prominent American diplomat. ALS addressed to Samuel White, Merchant in Marblehead Mass, regarding cash owed Mr. Ewing for the Tarr sold for most likely his father-in-law and him.

"Boston, May 17, 1775, Mr. Samuel White, Sir, I was in hopes before this that you would have taken an

opportunity of sitting with me for the Tarr you sold for Mr. Winslow & me. I knew it was your purpose to do it. . . When you were in town and I believe the reason that you did not do it was, that you were disappointed of receiving money that you were expecting - very probably you may now be in cash - and may want only a safe conveyance. In which hopes - I have directed Capt Hammer, the bearer to wait on you - and shall take it kind if you will pay him from the proceeds of what you have sold or as much as you are in cash. . . & what of the Tarr now remains on hand. Just one month earlier, the Concord & Lexington was was probably used for the ships, one may be left to wonder if the tar may have been perhaps used for the Revolutionary era tarring & feathering by angry mobs. 7½ x 11"; light age wear, mostly Fine. **\$450**



"I think it a very surprising affair, that the mayor should give a pass to any person whatever, to pass beyond our guards"

JOHN STARK (1728-1822) American Revolution brigadier general engaged at Bunker Hill, Trenton and Princeton, winner of the battle at Bennington against Burgoyne, and served on the court-martial that condemned Major John Andre.

One page Letter Signed from the famous "Live Free or Die" General written while Stark was defending Albany from the British, August 9th 1778 sent to Governor Clinton of New York.

Stark expresses his concern a woman, Jennet Chinot, had been let out of the city with the approval of the Mayor and is hoping the Governor will look into the "remarkable conduct" of what one could presume he considered perhaps a spy or other nefarious behavior: "I enclose you in the Copies of Two Letters, from Col. Butler, together with a pass Given to one Jennet Chinot, by the Major of this City, with Several other papers found with her ... **I think it a Very surprising affair, that the Mayor should give a pass to any person Whatever, to pass beyond our Guards - however, I hope you will properly Consider the Matter, & Inquire into such very Remarkable Conduct - by the Inclosed you will hear all the News from this Quarter together with the Behavior of the Militia - if any spirit could be put in them, I should hope, in a few days, to be able to Render a Good Account, from that Quarter, but their present behavior, Renders the Matter Precaucous.(sic) I am Sir, Your Very Humble Servant, John Stark**" Docketed Atop: "John Stark, Genl in Rev War." And on back: "Letter from General Stark with enclosures relative to the Frontiers." 12¼ x 8 ½" Light edge wear, mostly Fine. Unusual and rare. **\$5,900**

Historic Joshua Chamberlain Document Signed



JOSHUA L. CHAMBERLAIN (1828 - 1914). Union general during the Civil War. Received the Congressional Medal of Honor for his defense of Little Round Top (while still a colonel) during the Battle of Gettysburg. Later the Governor of Maine and President of Bowdoin College. Very significant Document Signed. 10" x15". As Governor regarding the European and North American Railway: "...I Joshua L. Chamberlain Governor of the State of Maine by virtue of the Authority conferred on me by an Act of the Legislature of said State of Maine entitled "**An Act to aid in the construction of the European and North American Railway** approved ...1868...in consideration of one dollar paid by said Railway company, the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged, do hereby transfer and convey to said...Company **all the timber and lands belonging to said State situated upon the waters of the Penobscot and Saint John Rivers** to be used by said company to aid in the construction of its contemplated line of railway as contemplated and provided for in an Act entitled "**An Act to provide means for the defence of the North Eastern Frontier**" Approved March...1864...Long description of property lines and township follows. "The Schedule of lands herein, is intended as a description of the interest of the State in the several townships...containing in all, **One Million Acres more or less.**" It continues: "**This deed is made with the understanding and agreement on behalf of the European and North American Railway Company that in case the Bangor and Piscataquis Railroad Company shall construct this railroad and comply with the terms and stipulations of the second section of an Act entitled "an Act to revive and extend the charter of the Bangor and Piscataquis Railroad Company...**Concluding: "**In testimony whereof I the said Joshua L. Chamberlain Governor of said State of Maine...**" Signed boldly: "JL Chamberlain" over a portion of a large impressed seal of the State of Maine. **THE EUROPEAN AND NORTH AMERICAN RAILWAY** is the name for three historic Canadian and American railways which were built in New Brunswick and Maine.

The document contains two signatures of William P. Frye as Attorney General with his notation: "*Then personally appeared J.L. Chamberlain Governor of Maine & acknowledged the above...Wm. P. Frye, Atty Gen...*" **WILLIAM P. FRYE** (1830-1911) Maine Senator & Congressman, Bowdoin College Graduate, Civil War Maine State Legislator, Maine Attorney General, Six Term U.S. Congressman & Six Term U.S. Senator. Assisted in creating terms for the Spanish American War Peace Treaty. Docketed on back from the Aristook Registry of Deeds for the Northern District, also a stamped notation "*Document File Accounting Dept, Maine Central R.R. Co.*" another notation: "*copy on file of same*". Slight dampstaining at top center fold, mostly Fine. **\$2,450**



Signed photograph of astronaut Charlie Duke on the moon

CHARLES M. DUKE (b. 1935) Astronaut. Lunar module pilot of the Apollo 16 lunar landing mission the tenth human to set foot on the surface of the Moon. Photo signed. 8"x 10" "Charlie Duke Apollo 16" in silver ink. In Mint condition. **\$85**



Signed photograph of moonwalker Ed Mitchell

ED MITCHELL (b. 1930) On January 31, 1971, Navy Captain Dr. Edgar Mitchell embarked on a journey into outer space that resulted in becoming the sixth man to walk on the moon. Photograph signed: "Ed Mitchell apollo 14 LMP" Image shows Mitchell in front of the space craft. Apollo 14 was the last Apollo flight without a lunar rover, with its more sophisticated navigational system. Very Fine. **\$85**



Founder of the Remington gun company

ELIPHALET REMINGTON (1793-1861). The founder of the Remington Gun Company. Check dated April 3, 1853, partially printed and made out to "Self" and signed: "E. Remington" in the amount of \$50.00; drawn on the Cashier of Iliion Bank. There is a handsome woodcut of a blacksmith at left. Excellent condition, clear signature, three negligible pin holes in a near perfect and Very Fine example of this highly desirable autograph. **\$145**

Marinus Willett "Hero of the Mohawk Valley" and John Pintard

City of New York paynote dated Oct. 12, 1807. Payable to Mark W. Camman for Nine Dollars. Signed by John Pintard as clerk. **JOHN PINTARD** (1759 - 1844). Merchant, Philanthropist. Pintard served as manager of the New York lotteries and was first sagamore of the Tammany Society. Also signed by Marinus Willett as Mayor of New York city. **MARINUS WILLETT** (1740 - 1830). Colonel of the New York Line, General of Tryon County Militia, Mayor of New York. A nice association between these two important New York figures. Minor age toning and ink residue at extreme right margin. Fine. **\$125**

"I am special glad the Yankee ship Kearsarge sunk the English rebel. John Bull is galled & winces & I am glad of it."



Supreme Court Justice Curtis on the sinking of the Confederate raider The Alabama

BENJAMIN R. CURTIS (1809-1874). Curtis was a Supreme Court Justice who is best remembered for resigning in protest over the Dred Scott decision. Autograph Letter Signed. 2 ½ pp. Dated July 7, 1864, Curtis writes to his long time NY lawyer friend, E.W. Stoughton just three weeks after the famous sinking of the Confederate battle ship by the Kearsarge:

"My dear Stoughton... I am living along from day to day in the easiest way of getting through the 24 hours – pleasant books – children...now and then letters... Such things can't last. For me they ought not. But I am wonderfully pleased with them while they do. It is so quick...I hope you kept your temper in Canada when you heard the Yankee's talked about. By the same token I am special glad the Yankee ship Kearsarge sunk the English Rebel. John Bull is galled & winces & I am glad of it. The Alabama was English from Keel to maintruck including all the crew...five Southern officers were as good as they can make. I thank God the ship is at the bottom of the channel. B.R.C."

Fine content from a Supreme Court Justice related to the well-publicized Union victory. **\$450**

A stunning account detailing the battle actions in the wake of San Juan Hill the day before American forces would take control of Santiago de Cuba

"...spent Sunday night in the firing line before Santiago, and from the trenches of the Rough Riders had an excellent view of another round in the fight under Senor Limores battle rules..."

A colorful and detailed letter from Augustus H Gansser (1872-1951). American correspondent, editor and politician of German descent. Accompanied by the original envelope addressed to "News Tribune, Detroit, Mich." In fine condition. Correspondence stationary depicting the bald eagle above the US and Cuban Flags. Four pages. In pencil. "Michigan's Fighting 34th in stories of war and nature. In the trenches before Santiago July 14, 1898."

Gansser, in the typical fashion of a reporter offers a detailed and colorful account of the Battle of San Juan Hill;

"Your correspondent spent Sunday night in the firing line before Santiago, and from the trenches of the Rough Riders had an excellent view of another round in the fight under Senor Limores battle rules. Returning from a long scout toward Aquadores Tuesday evening, shortly after the bombardment was opened...we hurried to the front. The fleet threw occasional shells over the harbor bluffs and our live artillery put in some telling shrapnells where the Spanish lines were dimly visible, and especially where the scattering Spanish shells were fixed. We seen an officer of the Second Infantry step up to... the enemy fire when a shell burst beside him and he was literally torn to pieces. The desultory firing continued until sundown and then gradually died away. All night the men stood by their army and before sunrise they munched their hardtack and corned beef and as soon as it was light enough to see the dim outline of Spanish trenches ... 600 yards away drew our rifle fire, and the artillery took an occasional turn at this target practice...."

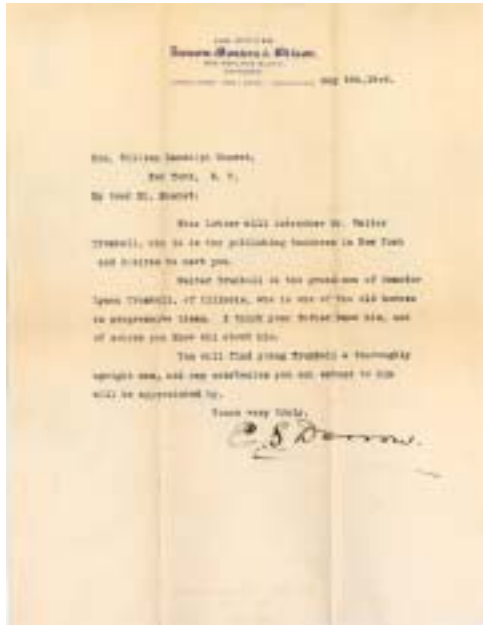
Sunday night when the firing ceased we distinctly heard some Spanish officer address his men and when he stopped the Spaniards gave three hearty cheers "Viva Spaniola" and the cry was carried down their lines, so we conclude they are still some dying for honor foes in line before us... The volunteers on the other hand are determined to stay to the end. They enter the conflict with old ammunition and not much soldier experience but inspired with patriotism and remembering The Maine. The battlefield between the creek and the historic heights is dotted with little mounds, bearing rude funeral inscriptions of the hero dead. At the field hospital the tents of suffering are gradually relieved, either by the last long roll ... or transfer to the coast, to the hospital ships and American healing...

The 34th has many sick in quarters each day due to privation and exposure. Monday afternoon just as the Ohio, Illinois and Mass regiments straggled up the heights from Libonay, they were greeted by a terrific rain storm that poured all that night, drenched everything and made the roads impassable. General Pando with his professional troops is still feared at headquarters where General Miles arrived yesterday...

Last night the Washington volunteers fired at random and roused the entire camp in the drenching rain. Two batteries of heavy artillery are stuck in the mud and the 34 after all night guard is helping to get these necessary guns to the front. The terrible rains and yellow fever reported at Libonay are dreaded by our troops for the little springs are now torrents of dirty surface water and the continuous rains prevent us from having fire to boil it. Matches, writing paper, envelopes and similar little necessities bring unheard of prices among the troops and the refugees take advantage of these conditions and the soldiers small change is getting very scarce. Wild rumors agitate the troops, but Michigans Tigers patiently work to hasten Santiagos surrender, as the only real solution. Gansser.

The extraordinary detail of this letter offers the finest account of the war we've seen to date. Gansser makes reference to the Rough Riders, The Maine, and Yellow Fever. A fantastic first hand account of the action just prior to the Spanish capitulation of Sandigo de Cuba the following day and complete surrender of all forces just three days later. **\$5,500**

J. Paul Getty



Clarence Darrow to William Randolph Hearst

CLARENCE S. DARROW (1857-1938) American lawyer who defended Eugene Debs, Leopold and Loeb, and John T. Scopes in the infamous "Monkey Trial". **WILLIAM RANDOLPH HEARST** (1863-1951) powerful owner and editor of the New York Journal, was one of the most colorful, influential, and outspoken figures involved in activities surrounding Spanish-American War. 1 page. Typed Letter Signed "C.S. Darrow." On "Darrow, Masters & Wilson, Chicago" Letterhead. Dated May 5th 1906: "Hon. William Randolph Hearst, New York, N.Y., My dear Mr. Hearst, This letter will introduce Mr. Walter Trumbull, who is in the publishing business in New York and desires to meet you. **Walter Trumbull is the grand-son of Senator Lyman Trumbull, of Illinois, who is one of the old heroes in progressive ideas. I think your father knew him, and of course you know all about him.** You will find young Trumbull a thoroughly upright man, and any courtesies you can extend to him will be appreciated by, Yours very truly, C.S. Darrow." An interesting introduction communication regarding a **WALTER TRUMBULL** (1846 - 1891) Surveyor, artist. Son of Senator Lyman Trumbull of Illinois, Walter Trumbull accompanied the 1870 survey expedition of Henry Dana Washburn to the area that later became Yellowstone National Park. His depictions, many of them in pencil, included members of the party and geological features. He later published an account of the trip in the "Overland Monthly" in the spring of 1871. In executing the C & S in Darrow's autograph, it appears the pen was faulty, as those first two letters are imperfect, still a bold signature. With original envelope addressed to Hearst, "Introducing Mr. Walter Trumbull." Exceptional triple association letter signed by the legal legend, to a publishing legend, regarding a Senator's son who helped make Yellowstone a national park. Folds. A great association. Very Fine. **\$1,900**



J. Paul Getty's Mexican visa

JEAN PAUL GETTY (1892 - 1976) American businessman who accumulated over a billion dollars in profit from his oil investments. Document signed. Typed visa with two original pictures. Atop: "Servicio De Migracion" Mexican dated November 1932. Both side and front view of the 39 year old Getty in oval stapled to the left of the document which lists his residence as the Hotel Ritz in "Mex, DF." Occupation: "Petrolero." Strong black autograph from this highly unusual item from the man who was at one time the richest man in the world. His son, J. Paul Getty Junior was born this same year. **\$2,450**



A teenage Getty laments to his father "I am too poor to buy books"

JEAN PAUL GETTY (1892 - 1976) American businessman who accumulated over a billion dollars in profit from his oil investments. Superb, early ALS. "Paul" on his monogram letterhead, 3pp. 8vo., [n.p.], Dec. 6,

1910. Getty explains his unauthorized use of a car, in part: "...Mother just told me that she wrote you that I had taken the Chadwick out. The facts are these; I had to be at school at two o'clock... my car's steering connections were loose... I thought it best to take the Chadwick as I did not wish to miss college, and of course the street car was out of the question as it takes over an hour... she seemed to object to this harmless and thoroughly legitimate use of the car... I wish you would send me some money right away as I have only a nickel now and mother has none to give me, and with the Holidays approaching I certainly need money... I am too poor to buy books... I never do anything that I do not feel would have your approval... " Fine condition.

\$2,000



An outstanding early Getty ALS with a hand drawn map of an oilfield

"IN COURT THE OTHER DAY A LAWYER VALUED THE LEASE ON THIS 480 ACRES AT \$2,000,000."

JOHN PAUL GETTY (1892-1976). Autograph Letter Signed, 3 pp. An extraordinary early business letter with hand-penned map from the American oil magnate to his father written when he was just 19 years old. Containing some of the finest content we have ever seen and conveying the utter brilliance of the nascent J. Paul Getty on his meteoric ascent in the business of black gold. On Emery Hotel letterhead from Thermopolis, Wyoming, July 1915, he discusses his oil wells, specific locations of the wells, their depth, his partners and how well off they were and minute drilling details down to the inches. The third page is a detailed map with legend of the oil wells, the rigs, the drilling and the dry holes in the area of Wyoming he is referring to in the letter:

*"Dear Father, Yesterday I went out again to Grass Creek and went over the field checking up operations. **Here I enclose a rough map of the field so you can have a good idea of the way things are. You will see a well drilling in N.W. corner sec. 35. This is a very important well it is now 1650 ft. deep and setting 8 inch. It will be drilled to 2000 ft. or deeper.** Up in sec 18013 the first oil sand is found around 7000 ft. The deepest oil well so far is 1160 to top of sand well of center et al near center of sec. 29 so prospect for this well not very good they got little oil at 1060. I have had no water so far. The other important well is being drilled by the Ohio near S.E. corner of sec. 29 this well is casing with 6 inch at 1050 and may get the rund in the next 100 or 150 ft. If this makes a good well, to my mind it will prove up the 80 right north of it which can be leased, the 80 due east of it would also look good. This land belongs to the Little Johns and they have their final receipt for a patent on it. Title is thus rather secure. This land is already leased something as follows / Littlejohns gave a lease to E.T. Williams a contractor and sort of agent of the Mid West.*

Williams to drill a well at his expense. After well is drilled Williams & Little John each take 50% of oil & pay 50% of expenses. Littlejohn will sell his ½ int. in this lease reserving an 1/8 royalty so if we bought it the deal would be as follows / Williams and we each pay half of expenses and manage jointly. Williams is an able contractor but has not very much money, I believe, and it is probable the Mid West Co. has an assignment from him, although none is of record. Williams is now drilling on this 80 location marked near center N.E. 29 and is supposed to be near top of sand. People are secretive here and it is hard to get any oil information.

*If these two test make good wells (Williams & Ohio) I would advise purchasing Littlejohns ½ interest in the N.E. of S.E. & S. E. of N. E. of 29 and S2 of S.W. of 28. Littlejohn has not very much money and I believe that \$10,000 cash would buy this ½ interest in the two eighties. With both wells in this would be sure oil land except part of S2 Sw 28 but this 80 would be tested out for us at no expense as the Ohio have a rig up near center of north line 33 and will drill immediately in their test in 29 gets oil / Am watching this closely. Mexico Wyoming also has a rig up just north of S2 Sw 28. You will see 480 acres marked Mexico Wyoming in sec 28 & 29. This is leased from Littlejohns by Mexico Wyoming Co. and great litigation is now on between deSabra of San Francisco and Clark of Pittsburgh, both claim to have bought the controlling interest in the stock of the Co. / **Denver newspapers refer to suit as Bitter Battle by Oil Magnate over leases worth millions. In court the other day a lawyer valued the lease on this 480 acres at \$2,000,000. If the Ohio, Williams tests make wells all right but if they are dry the litigation will suddenly cease.** It costs about \$4000 to drill & well in this field and takes generally from 2 to 3 weeks very little casing is used often just a contractor o a string of eight 6" to the sand. The Ohio pipe line is nearly finished and should be ready to run oil in a couple of weeks. This Grass Creek Oil is finest crude I have ever seen, runs about 45 to 47 Besume. It is announced the Ohio will pay \$.75 per barrel at the well. I expect to go out to-morrow to look at Neiber where Hoyt & Tomberg are drilling **It is too bad I haven't my Ford up here. I would use it to good advantage. Your loving son, Paul. Give my love to mother."***

A fine insight into Getty's extraordinary genius and his young technical business mind. One of the best Getty letters we've ever offered. Fine.

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“I am very disgusted with you”



A lengthy Getty ALS from Germany in which he states to his parents ***“I am very disgusted with you”***

“What is all this clap trap over the...White Slave Incident?”

JEAN PAUL GETTY (1892 - 1976). Autograph Letter Signed simply “Paul” to his parents while he was in Germany. 6pp. on “Hotel Hamburg Hof” letterhead. Dated July, 6, 1913: “Dear Parents, Here I am in Hamburg. I left on the Fourth, arriving here the same — Thursday night. I went to dinner to — I was invited by the Harvard club of Berlin. It was a reunion of American college men on the eve of the Fourth, and I enjoyed it immensely (sic)...Several clever speeches were made and the American Secretary and Harvard man made an eloquent appeal to the loyalty of Harvard (sic) & other college men. I had an amusing experience. I sat next to a haughty young chap who informed me he was from Yale and asked superciliously what college I was from. I told him Oxford & immediately all his superciliousness vanished and he eagerly questioned me about Oxford life and **when he found out I knew the Prince he became quite respectful and proves to be a very nice chap when he considered himself among his equals of betters. It all goes to show what’s in a name. If I have been from Kangaroo college, Arkansas, what would have become of me in the presence of a Yaleman?**

Hamburg is quite — down from Berlin and I am rather disappointed in it. Everything is 2 prices. I

went first to the Atlantis & found the cheapest room I could get 13 marks so came here where I have a rotten room on a 2nd class hotel, no running water, small, dirty, poor bed, dingy court outlook. 8 marks. In Berlin for the same money I had a large room looking on the Tergahten, exquisitely fitted up, and in the finest hotel in Germany. And it makes me sore, and I leave tomorrow.

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Everything else here is just as bad.

I do hate to pay out good money without getting an adequate return for it. I am going from here to Lubeck, and thence to Keil I’m going by rail, motoring is too expensive. I shipped my car to London by water, price about L4.10. There I stored it with the Transport co. for 5 s. a week. I have insured it against fire & theft for L200. Traveling is surely expensive, everybody is out to rob the tourist. Incessant caution must be observed. From Keil I go back to London via Copenhagen. I cannot afford Osterle, where the thrifty Belgians reap a golden harvest in July & August.

There is considerable talk here “Great Scot” Will case. Sire John gave Lady Sackville L30,000 in one year alone & then left her L150,000. in cash & L350,000. worth of furniture. Lord and Lady Sackville must be peculiar people. Talk about aristocratic pride! The late Lord Sackville had a somewhat unenviable reputation. He was appointed British Ambassador to Washington, brought along with him 200 cases of Scotch whiskey and a number of illegitimate children which he tried to force on Washington Society. As if this were not enough, he made a lot of indiscrete statements finally was ignominiously recalled. What is all this clap trap over the Caminetti “White Slave” incident? So far all I can gather there is nothing in the least pertaining to White Slavery in it. Many people would only call it a harmless lark. The U.S has come to a pretty pass, if a man, traveling with and paying the expenses of a woman, who has not has a minister mumble few words over the union, can be charges with the blackest of felonies.

I wrote you a week ago asking you if you didn’t want to come over for a few months, as I rather thought from the tone of your letters that you wouldn’t need

much urging to come to a favorable decision. . . .

I am very disgusted with you. In three weeks I had one very short letter dated June 1st. Now, I do think you could manage oftener.

The University is out for graft. They refused to give me my diploma until — have “paid my debts.” They daim — about L5, but that is false and I have written them so. It is alleged

to be dues to the “Students Delagacy.” I never was in it but twice & never got a penny’s benefit out of it. However, I suppose I must pay it, but they will have to wait for their money as I have none for them now. I am in straitened circumstances and must have money soon. I must have L40., my August allowance, by July 20th at the very latest. Had I not lived very economically, I would have been broke now. I asked for the money to be wired tot he American Exp. London. Well, this is a long letter, and you have no right to get a long letter, so you ought to be very grateful. Your affectionate son, Paul.” 5½” x 8½”. Fold separations on two pages, two 1½ sections of tape applied at center fold, a few ink smudges, Very Good. In providing insight into the musings of the mind of the young billionaire to be, it doesn’t get better than this.

\$2,450



J. Paul Getty signed check

J. PAUL GETTY. Check signed: “J. Paul Getty”, London, January 11th 1967 March 31. Drawn on The Chase Manhattan Bank, London, payable to Charles W. Praylen for 1 pound 16 shillings. Bank stamp and punch cancellation not affecting signature, however there is a red pen scrawl, not unattractive, across a portion of his signature. Overall, fine condition.

\$95

Scripophily



An exquisite early French phonograph stock

1906, Paris, France. Stock certificate for 100 francs. Yellow/Brown. A large, oversize certificate depicting a young female figure holding a large phonograph with cherub at the left border, a variety of musical instruments at right. One of the most beautifully graphic phonograph pieces we have seen. Attached coupons at right. Extremely scarce. Uncancelled and fine.

\$575



A wonderful early French color photography company stock certificate

1899, Paris France. Stock certificate for 1 share. Multi-colored vignette designed by Lucien Metivet of an angel appearing to the girl photographers. Border vignettes of the pioneers Niepce and Daguerre, and the arms of Paris. This may be the first company formed for color photography; it's certainly the earliest known to scripophily. Signed by Lucien Metivet (1863 - 1932). Born in Paris, Metivet was a famous painter, poster-artist and designer. He studied at the Academie Julien with Gustave Boulanger and Jules-Joseph Lefebvre, then at the Atelier Cormon. From 1889 to 1891 he participated in the Salon de la Societe des Artistes francais. He illustrated books for the publishing houses of Dentu, Plon, Ollendorf and Flammarion, and designed sheet music for Enoch et Cie. Metivet also collaborated on the decoration of the Taverne de Paris. A contemporary wrote of the artist, "M. Lucien Metivet is a man of fantasy with his pencil. His stories are good, and are part of a very clever journalism. The commentaries on the affairs of the day which M. Metivet gives each week in the early pages of 'Rire', his 'bits and pieces' in 'Le Journal' show a great suppleness of spirit. But they are poorly served by a drawing skill of an amazing virtuosity, especially when he wishes to express himself in grand satire, and reaches symbolic importance." (Carco). A graphic classic and perhaps the earliest known stock certificate from a color photography company! Very minor archival tape repair on verso. Uncancelled and excellent.

\$1,950



The duke of Kent authorizes a proxy for the sale of his "Capital South Sea Stock"

HENRY DE GREY (1664 - 1740). Duke and Earl of Kent. Very nice manuscript DS "Kent", 1p, 7 1/4" x 9", Feb. 7, 1732. Red wax seal present. Authorization to sell South Sea capital stock in the amount of "Two thousand Eight hundred and twelve Pounds Ten Shillings...." Boldly signed at conclusion beside his seal.

The South Sea Company was founded in England in 1711 to trade with the South Seas (South America) in textiles, spices and whatever could be found to be profitable, including the slave trade. Gross mismanagement of the company along with corruption were prevalent as the company's stock sold. Additional stock was sold as the company's purported success caught on at a fevered pitch. With the frantic buying of South Sea stock came new schemes, many of which proved unsuccessful causing a wave of stock selling and the eventual collapse of these companies as well as the South Sea company, thus concluding the age of the first great financial crash.

Normal even toning; mounted at left edge; small clipped biography tipped to left bottom edge. An interesting stock related document from this famous company. Fine.

\$750

The progenitors of America's Queen Jacqueline Bouvier Kennedy

An unusual set of four Northern Pacific Railroad stock certificates related to family members and the wall street firms they operated.

Michel Bouvier, great great great grandfather to Jacqueline, arrived from France in about 1815. He established a successful business in Philadelphia as a cabinetmaker and importer of marble and mahogany, boasting Napoleon's brother, Joseph Bonaparte as one his clients. He made a solid fortune that his son, **Michel Charles Bouvier**, a Wall Street tycoon, vastly increased by successful operations on the stock exchange. Later this fortune from "M.C" would be bequeathed to Jacqueline's father. A wonderful inheritance from his uncle that he sadly, ran into the ground and resulted in financial ruin of the family.

We are offering a set of **FOUR** impressive Northern Pacific Railroad Stock Certificates issued to and signed personally by the Bouvier's and their companies. One being a direct link to that great fortune that enriched the Jackie as a child, signed by the generous Bouvier tycoon, Michel Charles, Jackie's great uncle. **Another from Jackie's grandfather himself!** Superb collection of highlighting the family of America's most beloved First Lady.

1889, Northern Pacific Railway Stock certificate for 100 shares **issued to and signed by JOHN VERNOU BOUVIER (1843-1926)**. Jacqueline Bouvier Kennedy's Grandfather, Union Soldier in the 80th NY Infantry. Attractive certificate with ornate border, vignette of a train passing by telegraph lines in the countryside and a lower vignette of Fredrick Billings. Orange/Black. Signed on reverse "*John V. Bouvier*" Punch hole cancellations. Signature is bold and solid. Very Fine.

1889, Northern Pacific Railway Stock certificate for 100 shares **issued to and signed by M.C. BOUVIER**. Attractive certificate with ornate border, vignette of a train passing by telegraph lines in the countryside and a lower vignette of Fredrick Billings. Orange/Black. Signed on reverse "*M.C. Bouvier*" Punch hole cancellations. Signature is strong with an artful flair. Very Fine.

1889, Northern Pacific Railway Stock certificate for 100 shares **issued to and signed by Bouvier & Armory**, One of the Bouvier family's many business interests. Attractive certificate with ornate border, vignette of a train passing by telegraph lines in the countryside and a lower vignette of Fredrick Billings. Green/Black. Signed on reverse "*Bouvier & Amory*" Punch hole cancellations. Very Fine.

1881, Northern Pacific Railway Stock certificate for 100 shares **issued to and signed by Bouvier & Wallace**, One of the Bouvier family's many business interests. Attractive certificate with ornate border, vignette of a train passing by telegraph lines in the countryside and a lower vignette of Fredrick Billings. Green/Black. Signed on reverse "*Bouvier & Wallace*" Punch hole cancellations. Very Fine. **\$650**

Northern Pacific Stock Certificates Issued to & Signed by Presidents of the New York Stock Exchange

The Northern Pacific Railroad began on July 4th, 1864 with the stroke of Abraham Lincoln's pen on the Federal Charter. One year earlier, in 1863, the New York Stock & Exchange Board changed their name to New York Stock Exchange. The steaming new transcontinental railroad would push our country westward and develop new and uncharted markets to open up treasures and tribulations for speculators and investors - even as it stumbled along in it's enormous undertaking. The incredible venture of this railroad and the Stock Exchange flourished in marriage that would send our country on some wild rides, including the devastating Panic of 1873. It would also make millionaires and Presidents out of some of the more intrepid, including president of what is today the world's largest exchange for trading stocks and bonds.

We offer a fine selection of beautifully presented Northern Pacific Railroad Stock certificates issued to and signed by Presidents of the New York Stock Exchange.

Robert L. Cutting President of the NYSE 1865-1866

1887, New York. Stock certificate for 100 shares. Orange\Black. Issued to and signed on the verso by **ROBERT L. CUTTING**. Punch hole cancellations not affecting signature. Very Fine. **\$75**

William Searls President of the NYSE 1868-1869

1887, New York. Stock certificate for 100 shares. Orange\Black. Issued to and signed on the verso by **WILLIAM SEARLS**. Punch hole cancellations not affecting signature. Mild glue marks to left side attachment to stub. Very Fine. **\$75**

General Brayton Ives President of the NYSE 1878-1880

1887, New York. Stock certificate for 100 shares. Orange\Black. Engraved vignette of a steam locomotive at top center, nice portrait vignette of Frederick Billings at bottom. Issued to and signed on the verso by **BRAYTON C. IVES**. (1841- 1914). Punch hole cancellations not affecting signature. Very Fine. **\$75**

Donald MacKay President of the NYSE 1880-1882

1887, New York. Stock certificate for 100 shares. Orange\Black. Engraved vignette of a steam locomotive at top center, nice portrait vignette of Frederick Billings at bottom. Issued to and signed on the verso by **DONALD MACKAY**. Punch hole cancellations not affecting signature. Very Fine. **\$75**

William L. Bull President of the NYSE 1888-1890

1893, Northern Pacific Railway Stock certificate for 100 shares. Engraved vignette of a steam locomotive at top center, nice portrait vignette of Frederick Billings at bottom issued to and signed by **WILLIAM L. BULL** Authored Lectures on Organized Labor and Capital. Signed on verso: "*Wm. L. Bull*". Green/Black. Punch hole cancellations not affecting signature. Mild glue marks to left side attachment to stub. Very Fine. **\$75**



“The father of the United States Cavalry”

PHILIP ST. GEORGE COOKE: (1809-1895) tactical master of modern 19th-century mounted forces. Commissioned brigadier General in the Civil War. 1876, Northern Pacific Railway Stock certificate for four shares issued to and signed twice by Gen. P. St. George Cook. Punch hole cancellations not affecting either of Cook's signatures and also on the separate stock script which accompanies the document. Very Fine. **\$375**



General John E. Wool

JOHN E. WOOL (1784-1869) was an important military officer in the United States Army. He served gallantly in three consecutive wars including the War of 1812, the Mexican War and the Civil War. By the time of the Civil War he had been a brigadier general for 20 years and commanded the Department of the East. 1865, New York. Stock certificate for 30 shares. Black. Vignette of a steam locomotive at top center, seated female with trident at right. Litho. Issued to and signed on the reverse by John E. Wool. Two cut out cancels in the lower border. Rare and Very Fine. **\$350**



American Express stock signed by Henry Wells and William G. Fargo

1863, New York, American Express Stock Certificate. Dog in circle flanked by depot and harbor scene. Signed as president by **HENRY WELLS** (1806 - 1878). Expressman. Also signed as secretary by **WILLIAM G. FARGO** (1818-1881). Expressman. Light toning which is typical of this variety. Stamp canceled at signatures. Fine. **\$795**

Two Jay Gould Rarities



Convinced millions there were martians and canals on the red planet

PERCIVAL LOWELL: (1855-1916). Astronomer; founded the Lowell Observatory in Flagstaff, Arizona. Known especially for his interest in Mars and his theory of the 'canals' of Mars and predicted the existence of the planet Pluto. 1884, Northern Pacific Railway Stock certificate for 100 shares. Issued to and signed on verso by Lowell. Punch hole cancellations not affecting signature. Very Fine. **\$300**



Rensselaer & Saratoga Railroad issued to and signed by Jay Gould

JAY GOULD (1836-1892). Railroad magnate; Financier; Stock market manipulator. 1867, New York. Stock certificate for 100 shares. Black with company title in red. Attached adhesive revenue at lower left. Issued to Jay Gould and signed by him on verso. Pen cancellation not affecting Gould's bold signature. Very Fine. **\$1,250**



Troy, Salem & Rutland Railroad stock issued to and signed by Jay Gould

JAY GOULD (1836-1892). Railroad magnate; Financier; Stock market manipulator. 1865, New York & Vermont. Stock certificate for 890 shares. Light purple text. Attached adhesive revenue at bottom center. Issued to Jay Gould and signed by him twice, as president and again on the stub. Heavily pen cancelled through Gould's signature as president, but his second signature on stub is uncanceled and excellent. **\$1,250**

World War II



USS Indianapolis photo signed by six survivors

Signed Photograph. 8" x 10". An overhead view of the USS Indianapolis with the signatures of six crew members who survived the disaster: Michael N KURYLA, Jr., COX, Robert M., McGUIGGAN, S1 G/M, Lyle M., PASKET S2, Erwin F. HENSCH, LT. U.S.N.R., Eugene W. JENSEN, S USNR, Victor R., BUCKETT, Y2, N. In one of the worst tragedies of the war and the greatest sea disaster in the Navy's history, the *USS Indianapolis*, commissioned in 1932, was torpedoed by the Japanese just days after it delivered the world's first operational atomic bomb in 1945. It capsized in 12 minutes with most of the crew of over a thousand either perishing in the deep sea or savaged by sharks just two weeks before the end of the war. Excellent. **\$275**



World War II B-29 purchase premium

Official military photo of the bomber intended to help sell bonds for the war effort. "This is to certify that _____ has contributed to the purchase of a Boeing B-29 Superfortress through the purchase of War Bonds." 14½" x 11". A few light spots, mostly Fine. **\$125**



A large set of Concentration Camp money

A fine set of 16 different notes issued for use at the Flossenburg subcamp at Holleischen near Prague, Czechoslovakia for use of the prison laborers at the Metallwerke Holleischen munitions plant. A fine group of notes, all uncirculated. A stark reminder of the horrors of the Nazi regime and World War II.

\$225



Russian 200 Ruble war bond issued during World War II

1945. 200 Rubles. Blue\Red. 6" x 8". Vignette of charging tanks and infantry with aircraft above. Centerfold. Larger format. Uncancelled and fine. **\$65**

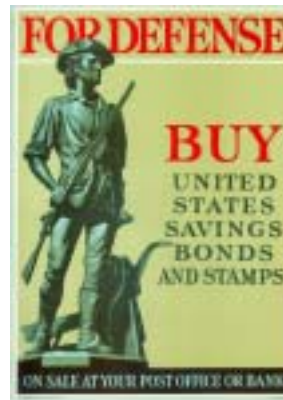
We recently acquired a small collection of World War II posters including a number of highly graphic and very displayable examples. Please contact us or visit our website for a more comprehensive viewing.



"Even a little can help a lot - NOW"

[World War II] 1942 War propaganda poster: "Even a little can help a lot - NOW Buy U. S. War Stamps and Bonds. Illustration courtesy of the Ladies' Home Journal." By Al Parker, famous and pioneering illustrator and founder of Artist School. U.S. Government Printing Office. Original folds, with 1" clean fold separation on bottom fold, top has minor remnant of being taped up. 14" x 19½". Fine.

\$350



[World War II]. "For Defense Buy United States Savings Bonds and Stamps" 1941. Early American patriot holding gun, Green and Red. Light edge wear, mostly Fine. **\$65**



“You buy ‘em we’ll fly ‘em!”

[World War II] “You buy ‘em we’ll fly ‘em!” by A.A. Wilkensons. A popular American classic war poster in small format: 10”x 14”. “Defense Bonds Stamps.” 1942. Image of fighter pilot in cockpit, fighters flying over, giving thumbs up. Very light edge wear. Clean tear to bottom edge, mostly Fine.

\$450



“Don’t Let That Shadow Touch Them”

[World War II]. Famous and scarce War poster “Don’t Let That Shadow Touch Them: Buy War Bonds” Dramatic image which invokes a sense of fear and dread with its portrayal of children in danger and an image of the Nazi threat above in the form of a shadow. Stunning. 14”x 20”. Fold separation at very bottom, mostly Fine.

\$450

“Doing All You Can Brother?”

[World War II] “Doing All You Can, Brother? - Buy War Bonds.” 1943. 28½” x 40”. Color photo-offset. Sad depiction of an American soldier with deep piercing eyes and bloody bandaged head; stormy desolate battlefield in background. Evidence of the fold marks present themselves somewhat in the overall image, a few small corner edge separations. Very Good.

\$90

Army Field Ambulance School Fund Poster

[World War II] Unusually found War poster that was distributed to schools on a limited basis to help build funds for Army Ambulances: “Help Save Lives With War Savings: Army Field Ambulance \$1950. Put your

school’s name on an Army Ambulance.” 1944. Military ambulance with wounded being loaded into transport airplane. White boxes above the names and prices for ambulance parts. 38½” x 25½”. Original folds, tiny loss to the very bottom of “Official U.S. Treasury Poster” resulting in “Pos” removed. Fine.

\$750

“We Caught Hell! Someone Must Have Talked”

[World War II] 1944 War poster: “We caught hell – someone must have talked” Image of a soldier carrying a dead or wounded soldier on his back with a firestorm in the background. Brutal Scene. 14” x 19½”, Original folds, edgewear, ½” white spot above the letter “G” in caught, still Very Good.

\$95

“We Can, We Will, We Must”

[World War II] Vertical 1942 War Poster with large bold American flag and quote from Franklin D. Roosevelt “We can... we will... we must!” “Buy U.S. War Savings Bonds & Stamps Now”; 20½” x 11”. Small fold separation at upper right, two light tape marks where it was affixed to wall during war-time, else Fine.

\$125

“The Sky’s The Limit”

[World War II] Impressive aeronautical propaganda War Poster “The Sky’s the Limit! Keep Buying War Bonds” 6th War loan, signed in print by Courtney Allen. 1942. Rich in detail shows two men and one woman working on the propeller of a war plane. 20” x 26½”. Usual folds with top center fold separated completely, old tape repair on reverse with some bleed-through, affecting presentation somewhat. Very Good.

\$125





**An Extremely Early Automobile Racing Stock!
Speedway Park Association**

An early automobile racing certificate dated 1915. Wonderful vignette on an early auto racing track with spectator seats and cars circling the oval. This is quite possibly an early board track. The earliest automobile racing stock we've seen and a very desirable topic. Uncancelled and Excellent. **\$1,250**

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