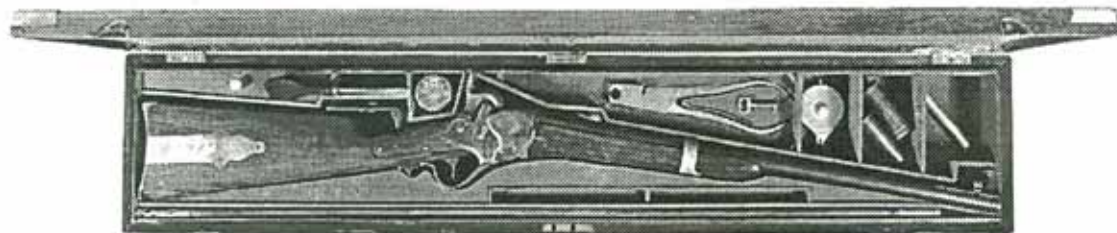
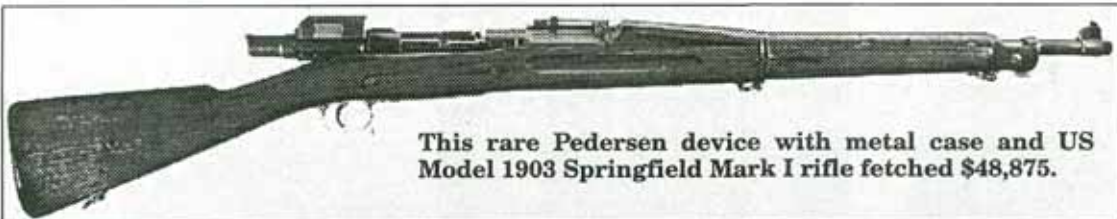


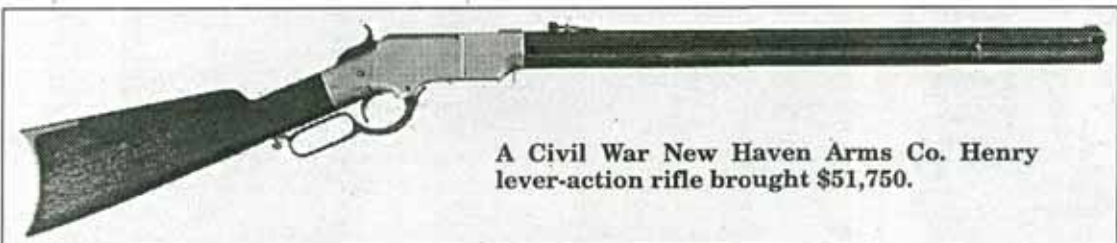
# Rock Island Auction Realizes \$8 Million-Plus In New Home



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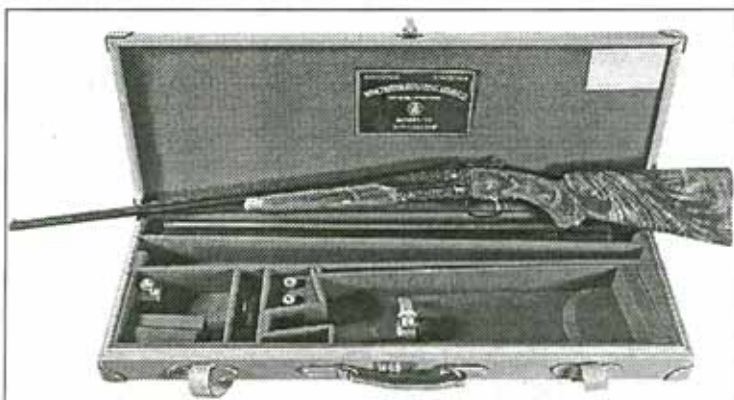
A Civil War New Haven Arms Co. Henry lever-action rifle brought \$51,750.



A Mauser Tankgewehr-18 bolt-action single shot antitank rifle with bipod realized \$31,625.



Tying for top lot status was a rare, cased, gold-plated, factory-engraved, carved ivory stocked Krieghoff presentation Luger pistol that attained \$69,000.



The custom engraved, gold inlaid Winchester Model 21 two-barrel Set 28 and 410 gauge Grand American double-barrel shotgun with case sold for \$31,625.

## Auction Action In Rock Island, Ill.

ROCK ISLAND, ILL. — The inaugural auction of Rock Island Auction Company's new facility May 20–22 brought out firearms enthusiasts of every level, from veteran firearms collectors to first-time bidders.

All 300 chairs were full (the previous hall had 175) as auctioneers Pat Hogan and his son, Kevin, took the podium Friday. Among preauction chatter, the most common subject was the preview hall's abundant lighting and size. Collectors were able to preview items at their own pace with plenty of room to look down a bore or through a scope without bumping into a buddy.

By the time the auction ended, bidders drove up prices on more than 2,700 lots to a total exceeding \$8 million.

Leading more than 120 Colt single-action Army revolvers offered was a documented US Lewis Draper-inspected Colt Model 1873 single-action cavalry revolver selling above estimate at \$69,000. A fully automatic Colt 1921/28 "Navy" overstamp submachine gun and a Colt 50-95 lightning slide-action express rifle with factory

letter each sold for \$31,625.

The most exciting lot was a 1938 Colt Model 1911A1 US Army contract pistol with accessories. The rare grouping lot attained \$28,750, almost four times its \$5/8,000 estimate. Colt long arms were also in high demand, with a Colt 50-95 lightning slide-action express rifle with factory letter reaching \$31,625.

This auction also featured a fine collection of Sharps, highlighted by a rare and historic St Louis inscribed, factory-cased Sharps Model 1851 sporting rifle that fetched \$40,250. A rare documented Sharps Model 1874 No. 1 Creedmoor rifle went well above estimate for \$28,750. A Sharps panel scene Gustave Young engraved Model 1853 sporting rifle took \$25,875, and a custom Sharps Model 1874 sporting rifle by Henry Slotterbek of Los Angeles realized \$10,350.

Also represented was a collection of Lugers in rare and desirable configurations and other German military arms, Nazi hats, uniforms and militaria. The highlight of the more than 250 Lugers was a rare, docu-



Sharing honors as the top lot, this documented US Lewis Draper-inspected Colt Model 1873 single-action cavalry revolver with factory letter also achieved \$69,000.

mented and cased gold plated, factory-engraved, carved ivory stocked Krieghoff presentation pistol, which reached \$69,000.

Other top Lugers were a scarce Borchardt semiautomatic pistol with shoulder stock, holster and spare magazine for \$25,875 and a DWM Model 1900 US Army test pistol with original Rock Island Arsenal holster at \$23,000.

Other German military arms attained high prices, including a cased World War II German Luftwaffe-issue Model 30 survival drilling with case and accessories for \$25,875 and a Mauser Tankgewehr-18 bolt-action single-shot antitank rifle with bipod at \$31,625.

Highlighting more than 300 US military arms was a rare

Pedersen device with metal case sold with a US Model 1903 Springfield Mark I rifle for \$48,875. A rare late World War II original inland "T3" carbine with M2 infrared sniper scope with accessories sold for \$23,000.

Among 500-plus sporting arms offered was a custom engraved gold-inlaid Winchester Model 21 two-barrel set 28 and 410 gauge Grand American double-barrel shotgun that brought \$31,625.

Bidders drove up prices for side-by-side shotguns, including a rare Parker Brothers Model VHE grade 410 double-barrel shotgun and a cased Balneari signed master engraved gold inlaid two-barrel set Piotti Pachmayr extra double-barrel

shotgun at \$25,875 and \$19,550 respectively.

Sporting rifles did well across the board, with an engraved gold-inlaid pre-64 Winchester Model 70 super grade bolt-action rifle with box in rare 7mm Mauser caliber at \$23,000.

Early arms standouts included a Civil War New Haven Arms Co. Henry lever-action rifle that fetched \$51,750 and a rare Confederate second model Griswold and Gunnison revolver that drew a flurry of bidding, ending at \$21,850.

Kentucky rifles were led by a J.J. Henry marked Kentucky flintlock rifle for \$9,775, while an engraved Germanic wheel lock with elaborate relief carved stock sold after a heated battle for \$16,100. Class III items were also in high demand, led by an original M60 "Fully Active" (New England Group/Maremont) medium machine gun complete with tripod T&E and pintle that took \$40,250.

All prices reported include the buyer's premium.

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