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RICK THOMAS I never did see an answer to the inquiry as to what the (H) stamped on some FN 1910/22 autos signifies...

* Picked up a 1914 Mauser, #249752, 1920 stamped, S. Sch.II.621 on the front strap. Side plated #6752 (9 inverted), no Mauser logo. Barrel #9752 on left front lug, E/N on right side of lug...does not look like a c/N - was ground and overstamped. Was this an official barrel replacement after 4/40, or? Grips are wood like original, but checkering looks hand done by scribing and diamonds are about two times original. It has a dark, dull finish similar to the M1 Garand - maybe not as greenish. Is this a wartime refinish?

* What head stamp is on a Nazi-Norwegian .45 cartridge? When the Germans replaced small parts, would these have been unnumbered or mismatched parts from cannabilized pistols? On a '41 dated specimen, exactly which parts should be numbered - I've seen various combinations.

* Were the Germans in WWI equipped with 'trench clubs'? If so, what do these look like...construction, dimensions, photo if possible.

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FROM JOE WOTKA; TO JOHN LACROIX- Some years ago I explained the organization of the Prussian police/political system in general terms to enable the members to understand the significance of the Prussian police markings found on grip straps of P.08s which had been explained to members first here in AUTO MAG. Your question in the March issue about the markings on your pocket pistol holster provides an opportunity to readdress my comments.

The markings "S.Ar.VII.20" signify a weapon with an inventory number of 20 within Garrison/Command VII of the 'Schutzpolizei' of the 'Regierungsbezirk' of Arnsberg. To put this in more understandable terms, consider the several states of New England grouped together as a "super territory" (a 'Provinz' in Prussia). Within this 'Provinz' existed several large administrative districts ('Regierungsbezirk' in Prussia) the size of small states. The 'Reg=Bez.' of Arnsberg (2900 sq. miles/2,514,167 pop. in 1933) was equivalent in size to 60% of Connecticut with 80% of its present population. The state governor ('Regierungspräsident' of Arnsberg) was responsible for the distribution of police forces within his state, so he stationed them in the main population centers. In Arnsberg these were most probably Bochum, Dortmund, Ennepe-Ruhrkreis, Hagen, Unna, Herne and Altena. Each of these metropolitan areas had a population in excess of 95,000. Within each area a 'Schutzpolizei' garrison/command was established to provide police services, patrol as well as riot squads. The commander of the local police garrison maintained an inventory of his weapons. Police service in smaller municipalities was provided by the locally controlled 'Gemeindepolizei', while the state controlled Landjägerei provided police service in the county areas. Ultimate responsibility for the procurement of weapons and equipment for these policemen rested with authorities in Berlin, the capital of Prussia.

The brass decorative devices on your holster are rank stars. They were used to denote rank differences on shoulder boards in the various state and armed forces. The use of them on holsters was not authorized by the police and denoted nothing. The appearance of such decorations on holsters was usually the work of the vet in final possession of it.

The P.08 was the standard sidearm of the ordinary policeman in major cities; officers carried pocket pistols. Only in smaller less populated areas were ordinary policemen issued 7.65mm pistols, as were the Landjägerei until receiving P.08s in 1929.

TO WALT KELSO- K.P.P.F. No. 304 on your Browning 1900 in the March issue indicates Königlich Polizei Präsidium Frankfurt (pistol) No.304. I have K.P.P.F. No.197 #249330 and have recorded K.P.D.C. No.5 #161948.

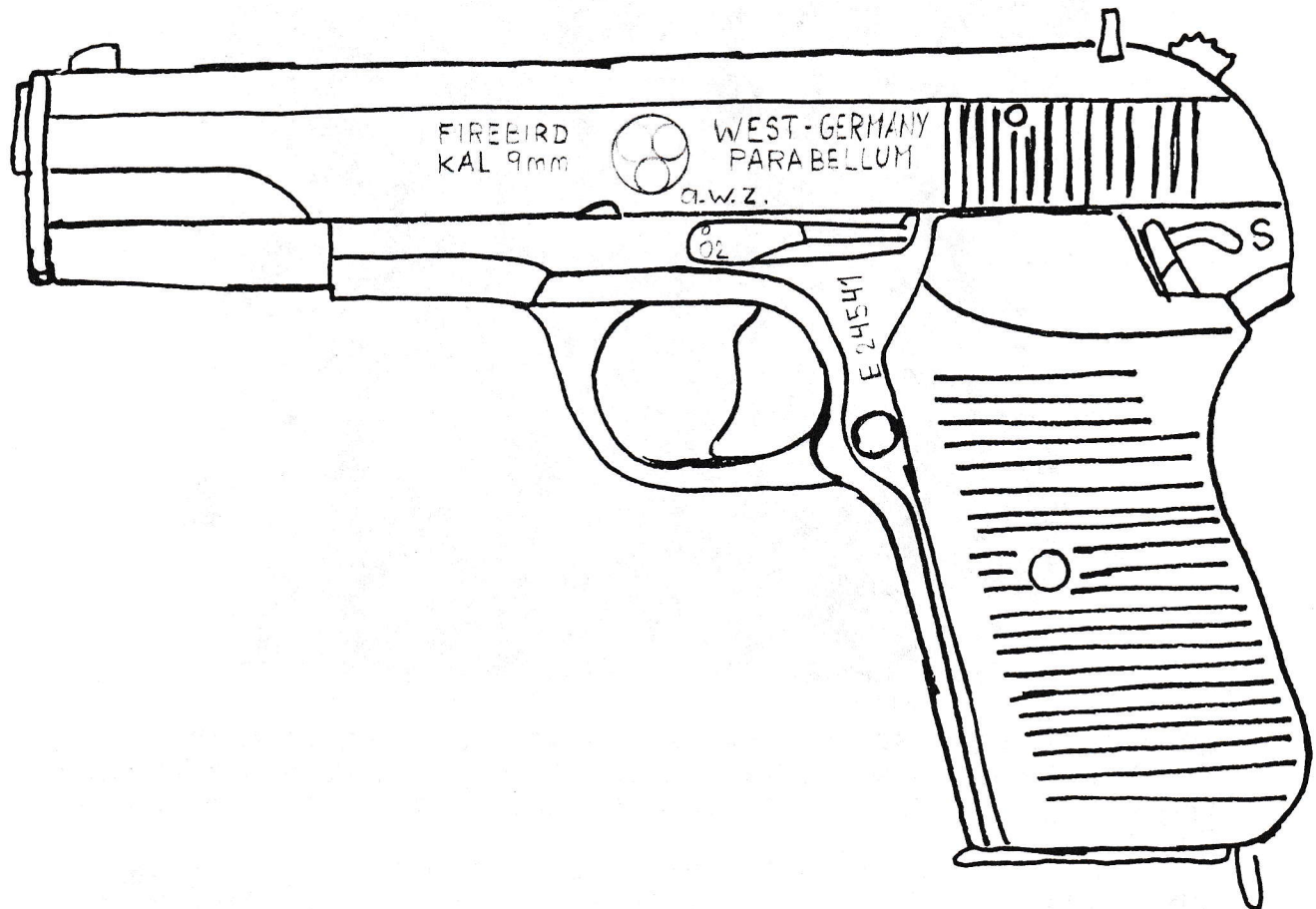
TO JOHN CASSADY- Your reference in the March issue to the page in the police weapons book is actually the authorized equipment distribution for the Police Battalions raised in WWII for service in combat. The distribution order has no connection with the marking of Prussian weapons during the Weimar government. Incidentally, the police battalion distribution order issued 7.65mm pistols to officers and select NCO's only; lesser NCO's received the K98 or the P.08. A police man issued a 7.65mm would not be issued a P.08.

TO BRAD RAUM-To answer your question in the April AUTO MAG, PwB means Polizeiwehr Bayern, a quasi-police/civilian force in Bavaria after WWI. When Jim Cate assembled Banner serial numbers for Costanzo's book years ago, the breakpoint for 1939 E/C and E/L Banners was 3000w, but I have recorded 2705w E/L. But Jan Still's later assemblage of serial numbers indicates a mix of acceptance offices in this range.

TO JOEL MILLER- Your police P.08 mentioned in the April AUTO MAG with the grip strap marking T.72 would indicate usage by a WWI train unit, the marking remaining through the use be a police unit in the post war period.

From Alex Gherovici to Tokarev/Tokagypt pistols collectors:

The enclosed drawing reproduces the markings applied to the left side of a "Firebird" pistol, s/n E 24541. This data was found in a Spanish gun magazine published some years ago. It is my understanding that pistols in the original Tokagypt markings are well known, but those marked with Firebird markings are uncommon. I hope this data will be of the membership interest and useful for students of these pistols.



TO BRAD STIMSON FROM GARLAND BARNES Re 1937 P08 and Mauser hump: I have 8912p, strawed small parts, no hump; 5883x, blued small parts, with hump. Could the hump change have been concurrent with the elimination of the strawed parts?

TO GEORGE SORRENTINO I have examined a 1915 DWM which came out of Italy in 1944. As with your pistol, no markings except the Imperial ones were evident. I think it not unusual for European military to provide their own sidearms. This piece was in a P38 holster - the owner stated the original holster was badly torn up by shrapnel. Unfortunately, I and the owner could not agree on value.

From Alex Gherovici to the Colt .45 collectors and fans:

Enclosed in the reproduction of a photograph showing a group of Argentine soldiers and a policeman armed with holstered caliber .45 pistols. This picture was taken in June 1955. Sharp eye members will notice the subtle variations found on this type of holster. The main difference is the length of the belt loop. The man in the middle of the center row is a Policia Federal trooper. It is interesting to note that his holster is color black instead of brown, as those of the soldiers. For those members interested in armored vehicles, the tank is the ubiquitous M4 Sherman.



TO DICK ROBACK FROM DON CREWS THERE WAS AN ARTICLE ABOUT THE M12/P16 STEYR HAHN IN THE APRIL 1975 GUNS MAGAZINE, BY GORDON BRUCE. IT HAD TWO PHOTOS OF THE GUN, AS WELL AS DRAWINGS OF THE PARTS.

THE M12/P16 WAS ALSO THE SUBJECT OF AN ARTICLE IN DWJ IN JUNE, 1980. IT WAS BY VON LOTHAR SENGEWITZ. SEVERAL PHOTOS WERE SHOWN.

A SIMILAR ARTICLE BY THE SAME AUTHOR APPEARED IN THE WAFFEN JOURNAL, IN MAY, 1980. IT INCLUDED A COPY OF THE AUSTRIAN PATENT ON THE GUN.

ERNIE LANG CAN PROBABLY FURNISH COPIES OF THOSE ARTICLES AT REASONABLE COST.

THE VERSION WITH THE EXTENDED MAGAZINE WILL NOT FIT INTO THE HOLSTER-STOCK. THE M12/P16 WAS AN ARMY PISTOL. ALL OF THE PISTOLS SHOWN IN THE THREE ARTICLES HAD FIXED SIGHTS.

IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO CORRESPOND WITH ME ABOUT THOSE INTERESTING PISTOLS, MY ADDRESS IS IN THE DIRECTORY.

To: Members From: Karl Karash
Subject: M1911 CAL .45 barrel update.

My previous articles on barrels for the M1911 CAL .45 pistol preceded the publication of Charles Clawson's excellent book "Colt .45 Service Pistols". It is time to update the articles because of new information in Clawson's book and other new information that has become available. A summary of the conclusions reached in the previous articles follows:

Up to about serial No. 6500 the barrels were "H" with serifs (Roman), marked on the rear vertical portion of the barrel hood. The portion of the barrel visible through the ejection port had no markings or stamp impressions of any kind. The finish of the portion of the barrel that was visible through the ejection port was very dull (much duller than any other part of the pistol) with very course scratches along the axis of the barrel (the dull finish and scratches were probably intended to be non-reflective.) Starting at about 6500 to at least 13571 but possibly as high as 20000 the previous "H" with serifs (Roman) on the rear vertical portion of the barrel hood was replaced with an "H" without serifs (Gothic). The orientation of the "H" marks appeared to be that most of the "H" marks with serifs (Roman) were oriented horizontally while most of the "H" marks without serifs were oriented vertically. There was much doubt as to the orientation issue as most reports of these barrels lacked the orientation data. From about 20000 to 34000, no examples were available to examine and the only data for that interval was one advertised pistol with a "correct: H P" marked barrel at about 20500 (Has anyone ever seen an "Incorrect" barrel advertised.) This pistol was not available for examination. It was possible that the "H" marking on the rear of the barrel hood went as high as 34000 since only one example in this range was reported, and that was questionable. Nonetheless the probable range for this mark was specified as "possibly to as high as 20000." No examples below 3183 were available and it was assumed that the "H" with serifs marking started at the beginning.

About two years ago Scott Meadows told me of the existence of another marking variation. To the best of my recollection his observation was based on the examination of 2 or 3 pistols with these characteristics. One pistol was in the high 20XXX range, and the other 1 or 2 pistols were in the 22XXX range. Ben Reyes and I have recently each managed to find one of these pistols, (in apparently untouched condition). Examination of these two examples has corroborated the initial observations and detective work of Scott Meadows, and provided enough data points that a general hypothesis could be formed. The distinctive markings of these two pistols are:

1. The barrels were, for the first time, marked on the top-rear curved portion of barrel chamber with an "H" without serifs (Gothic). (This became the standard location for barrel proofs on all 1911 military pistols through serial 710000.) The "H" was oriented so that it appears to be upright when the barrel is observed in the pistol (while in battery position) looking down from above on the ejection port with the pistol pointed to the right (lined up along the axis of the shoulder blades.) This "H" is about the same size as the "H" marks previously stamped on the rear of the barrel hood.
2. The barrels were marked with a "P" (Gothic) on the rear vertical portion of the barrel hood. The "P" mark is located in an upright orientation and in the approximate center of the vertical portion of the barrel hood. This is the same location as the earlier "H" mark. The two pistols that have been available for examination are serial number

24279 and serial 24695. The former is mine and the latter belongs to Ben Reyes. Both pistols match the previous description. Pistol serial 24908, previously owned by Ben, however, had a normal "P H" (visible through the ejection port when held horizontally) marked barrel. If this barrel was original to the pistol, it will place an upper limit on this variation to within slightly more than 200 pistols, since both 24279 and 24695 are identical, untouched, and match the description of the pistols observed by Scott Meadows. Pistol serial number 20603 has been reported to have a type II barrel; and it can be argued that it is highly unlikely for a barrel at the beginning of its serial range to be replaced with an earlier variation, thus the type II barrel is probably original. It is therefore reasonable to assume that the pattern continues throughout the observed serial number range of from between 20603 and 21000 to between 24695 and 24908. The next higher example that I have is 34437. This pistol has a normal type III (P H marked) barrel. The barrel in 34437 however has a lug marking (what appears to be a wide Gothic "T") identical to the barrel in 36475. This lug marking is not observed outside of this time period which indicates that both barrels are probably original and that the Type III barrel was probably well established by serial 34437. It is far from certain that pistol serial 24908 had its original barrel, and only examination of more examples in this range will establish the serial range with certainty. Any readers who own or know of military Colts in the serial range 19000 to 31000 are invited to call me at home after 9:00 PM Eastern time (the phone is not answered if I am not there and there is no answering machine) or leave a message on my work number's answering machine. Please leave a number and a time that you can be reached and I will attempt to answer your call. Home Number: 508-838-9401 (after 9 PM), Work Number: 508-287-7710 (machine.)

1911 Military pistols generally have an H mark stamped on the top of the frame, except during the first part of 1916 when the provisional inspection mark "**S**" was applied by W.E. Strong. The pistols before about serial 6500 have an "H" (Roman) with serifs and those after about serial 6500 have an "H" (Gothic) without serifs. All 1911 pistols are generally believed to have a provisional inspection mark in front of the disconnecter hole. However pistol serial 34437 has no trace of the normal mark. The edge of the magazine well, however has a couple of nicks which may possibly have been put there by the inspectors stamp if the inspector missed the mark and whacked his finger. None the less there is no trace of anything that resembles a provisional inspection mark, and again the exception to the rule exists and it reminds us that if we only look at a few examples we can draw some rather strange conclusions.

1911 military pistols made in 1916 are mostly covered in Clawson's book, however it requires some skipping around to get most of the story. Page 166 lists the contracts, page 167 shows serial number 134998 with its "**S**" provisional inspection mark. Pages 368 lists the location and page 369 (table 12-2) lists the ranges of Hosmers inspection marks. Pages 237 and 238 list W.E. Strong as the inspector of 1916 pistols and page 238 shows the "**S**" mark above the firing pin stop plate on the slide of 134998. The barrels of the W.E. Strong inspected pistols are not mentioned, and the reader is left to assume that they are marked with the normal type IV (P H) marking which would be visible through the ejection port. The four examples of these "**S**" marked pistols that I know of, including serial number 134010, have barrels with an "**S**" marked on the rear of the barrel hood, and no other marks visible through the ejection port. The "**S**" marks of the barrels appear to

be identical to the "S" marks stamped on the frames and above the firing pin stop plates, but are oriented horizontally. Since its frame and slide bear the "S" marks, I believe that pistol 134998 has or originally had a barrel so marked.

Pistol 136843 which is 550 pistols from the end of the 1916 production is "H" marked on the frame and slide, and has a normal type IV (P H) barrel. Therefore it is likely that the later 1916 pistols were "H" (Hosmer) marked as were normal 1911 pistols. The range of serial numbers of the "S" or "H" marked 1916 pistols has not been determined except that the early pistols are probably all "S" marked and the late pistols are probably all "H" marked. Again only examination of more examples in this range will establish the serial range with certainty. Any readers who own or know of military Colts in the serial range 133187 to 137400 are invited to call me at home after 9:00 PM Eastern time 508-838-9401 (after 9 PM), Work: 508-287-7710 (machine.) These 1916 "S" marked examples are therefore among the most unique and rarest of the 1911 pistols: as the frame slide and barrel are uniquely marked, there were only 4214 pistols produced in 1916, and not all were "S" marked. The 1916 "H" marked pistols may be even rarer, but they are not uniquely marked.

As a side note, it appears that the numbering scheme as set up for the 1911 barrels did not allow for modification or expansion. The type II barrels with the "H" on the rear of the hood and the type III barrels with the "P H" marking have another variation between them. One possible solution to this dilemma is to add a suffix to the Roman numeral that allows further subcategorization as might be necessary if new information is discovered: Possibly changing the type II to a type II ., and naming the new variation type II . V. This would both allow new categories to be sandwiched in between old established variations and allow further subdivisions of subdivisions if the need should actually arise. This could take the form of either an increase or decrease in the suffix (such as type II . IV) or an additional suffix (such as type II . V. V). My intuition says that the increase or decrease in the suffix (such as type II . IV) should be used for truly distinct categories while the additional suffix (such as type II . V. V) should be reserved for subvariations that may be noncontiguous, random, or not understood. As a new variation is discovered, the type designator linked to it should probably be approximately midway between the previous Numeral, (In this case a "V".) and if a further additional variation is discovered, its designator should be "II . II" or "II . III" depending on whether it is likely that more variations precede it or exceed it. I suggest that this new variation be called the "Type II . V." One should make certain to emphasize the point (.) as it is a separator. The variations in barrel marking which precede the Type I, might be referred to as Pre-Type I. The confusion brought about by this simplification may be a bitter pill for Pre-Type I pistol owners to swallow, but I for one would be willing to suffer humbly in silence if any current owner of one of these pistols would wish to rid himself of the burden that he bears.

The barrels of the very early pistols were assumed to follow the same pattern as do the later "Type I" barrels that were used up through about serial 6500. Scott Meadows points out that the very early pistols lacked the "H" mark on the rear of the barrel hood. However since I have not examined any of these very early examples, I will refer the readers to Scott's new book "U.S. MILITARY AUTOMATIC PISTOLS Volume 1 1894-1920." which should be available to NAPCA members soon.

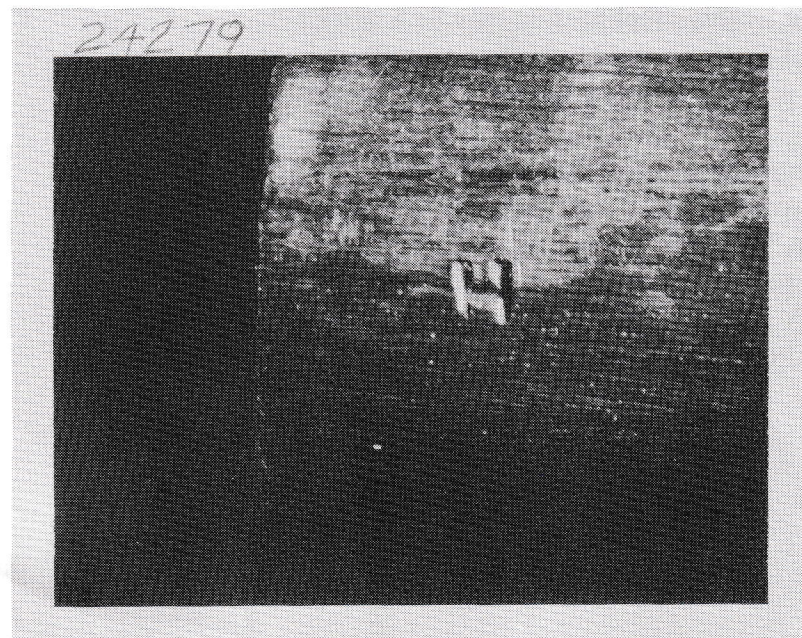
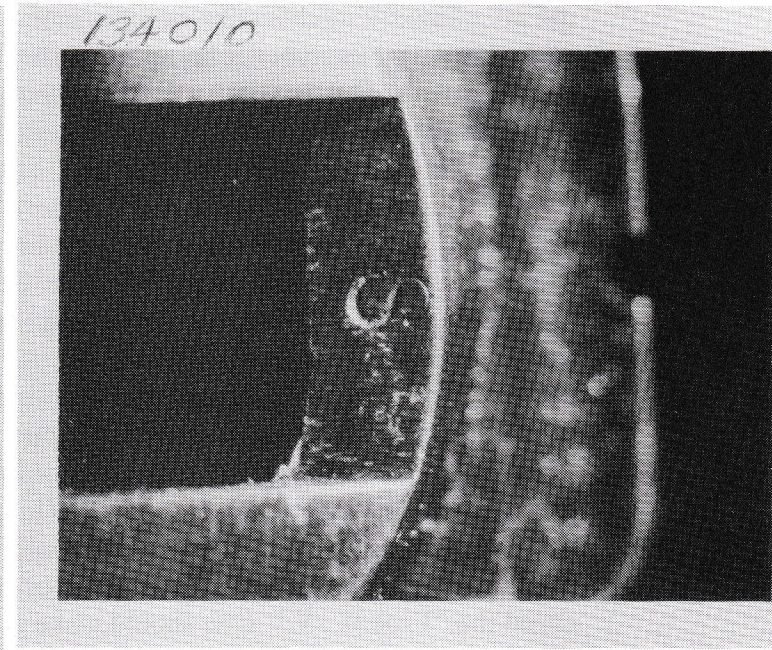
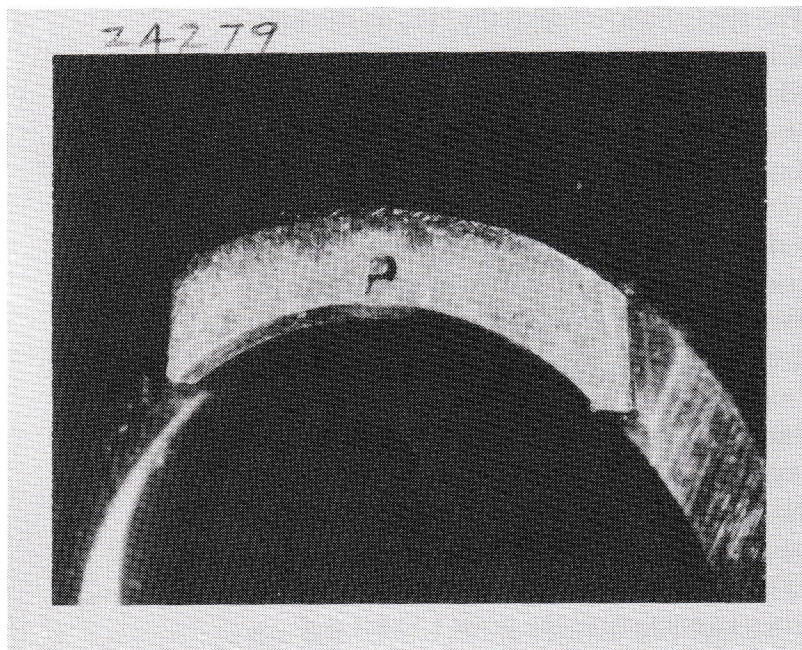
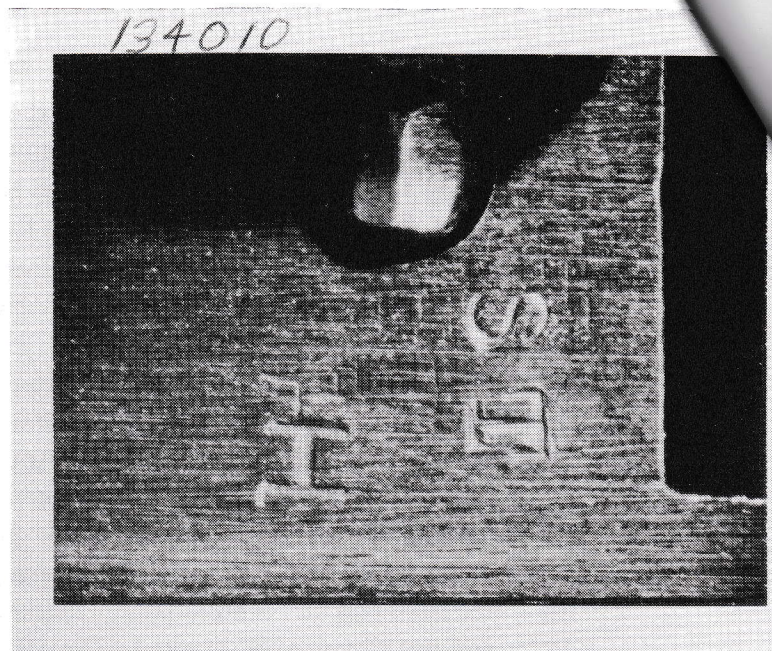
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1. "P" (rear barrel hood),
2. "H" (Top of barrel).

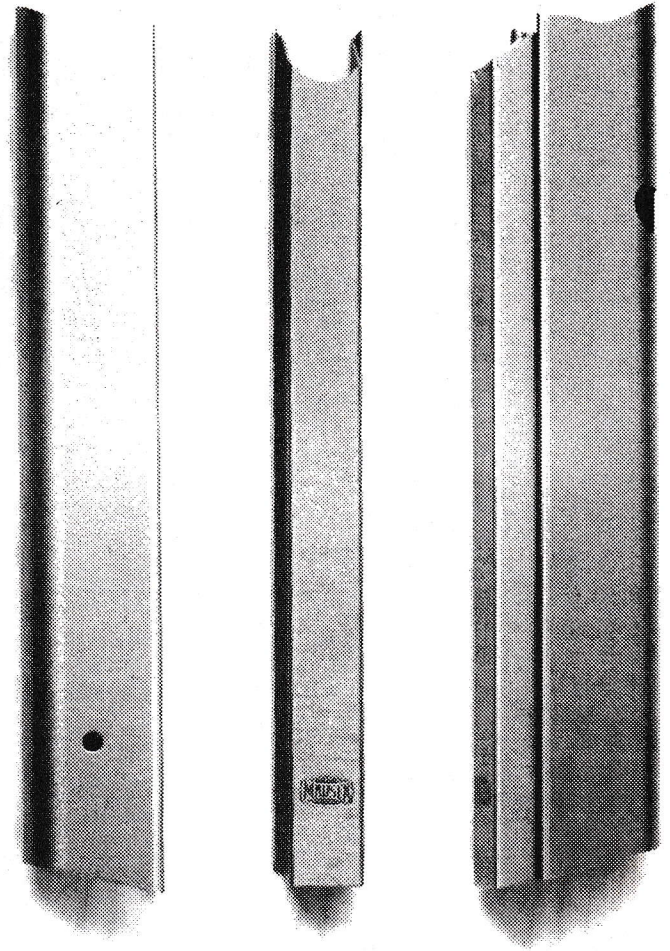
Serial 134010:

3. "S" (Frame),
4. "S" (Above f.p.s.p.),
5. "S" (rear barrel hood).



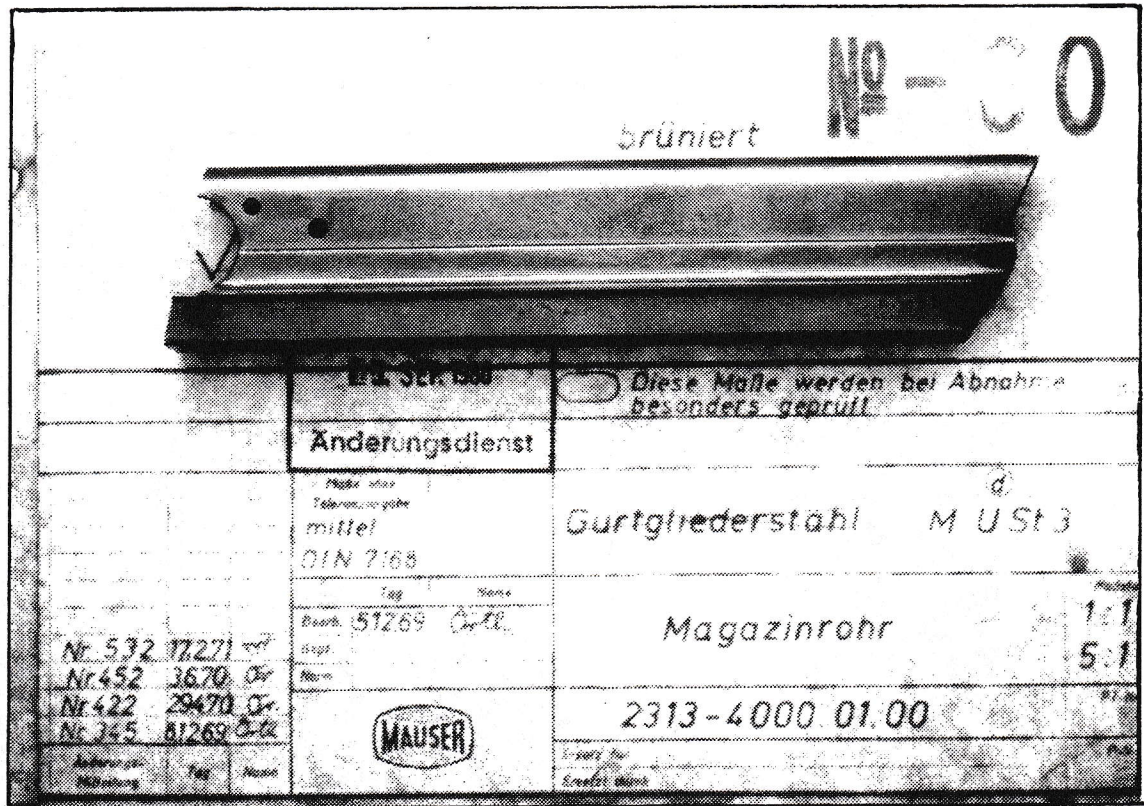
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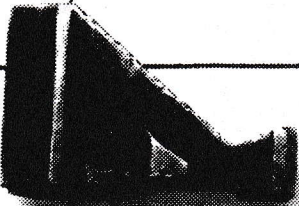

It is known that all postwar Mauser Luger magazines are made in Holland, even more proper, in the Netherlands. The very first magazines were not accepted by Mauser because under the banner was stamped "Made in Holland". The production started official with the Mauser banner only. Mauser rejected a US dealer asking for no pistols just magazines. The Dutch factory however accepted the order and produced them in only one batch with using that same old die "Made in Holland" because the Mauser Banner could not be used.

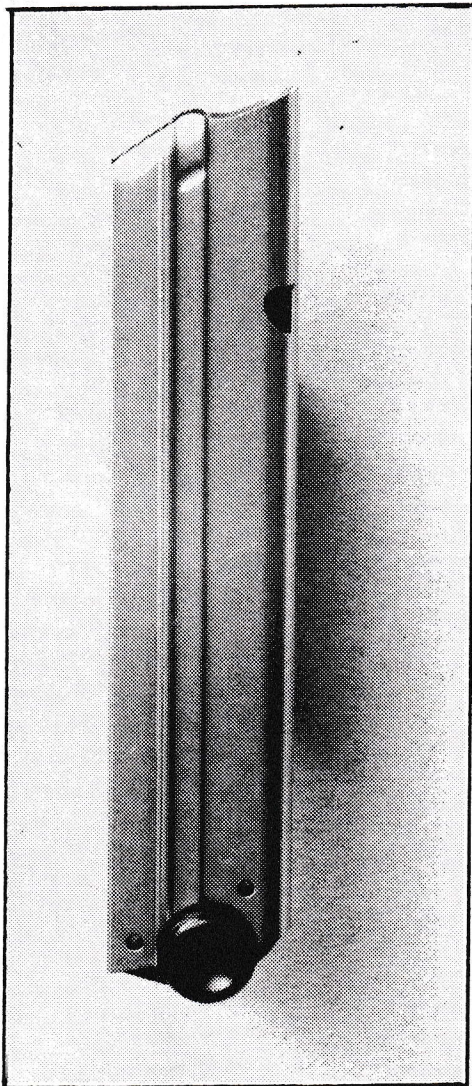


RIGHT: the parts of the barrel bended and brought together, take notice that the leftside hole and the banner is part of this level.

UNDER: the sheet barrel on the left side, still in white but darker by hardning oven. Take notice of the error here: there is no cartridge guide embossing in the top of the mag. The barrel will never be a magazine, the controller rejected this one.



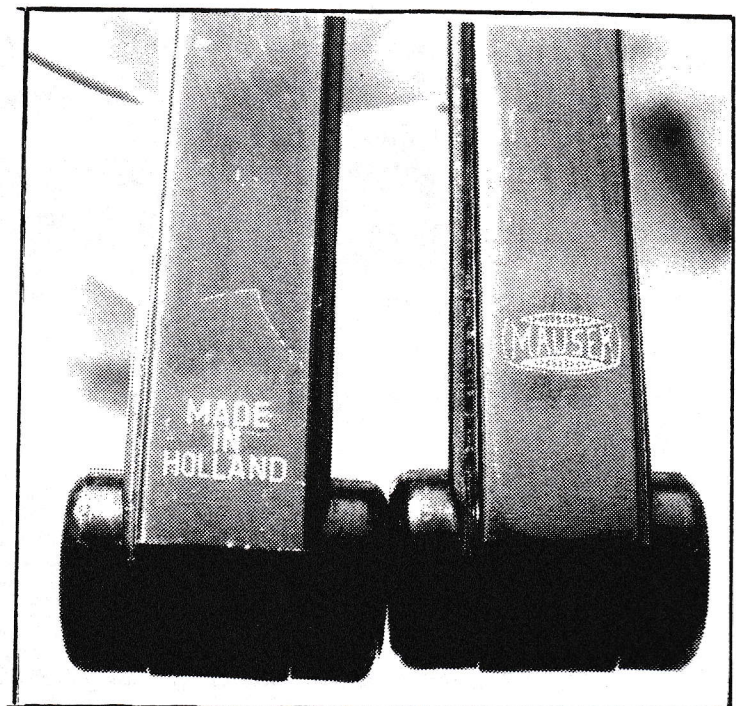
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TOP: Follower made of Sintern Metall! This is made of pressed metal powder. The spring-knob is just a 9mm para case, at least in the magazines that were complete made in Holland. Some are chrom plated but also normal brass cases are used. (cases by NWM)

LEFT, the magazine ready for hardning, the cut for the follower button is made after hardning. I placed a bottom to make a "rare" magazine fun-photo.

DOWN: the two rear markings, the first was these two combined on the same spot as they are showed single.



TO WAYNE WARREN FROM TOM TREBBY Regarding your undated

Simson P-08 Police. I also own a Police P-08 Simson , undated, no police marks, sear safety. My pistol serial # 153 a with a E/6 aluminum bottom mag # 205 a. These Police Simsons are rare only about 300 were ordered. See Still Weimar Lugers p. 17, 35, 155. Talking to other collectors these pistols are all in " A " block. My pistol also has the mag safety intact except for the part behind the trigger which is cut off.

From Joe Faughnan

Recently acquired a holster for a 4 inch P-08, color brown. On the back, between the belt loops is marked: N.BURGHARD Passing - AWM 2. There is no date on this holster, even though this is military. Does anyone know the reason why this holster is not dated?? Photos in Sill's, "Imperial Lugers", display the date along with the AWM 2. Any information would be greatly appreciated.

What does No. 2 Mean??

TO THE MEMBERS: Examined a friend's recently acquired 1918 DWM Luger (s/n 6883k). All matched, about 98-99% original finish, with magazine matched to the grip strap marking. There is some bluing loss on the takedown plate, but under magnification it is not abraded. Acquired from deceased veteran's daughter whose father took it from a German soldier (Waffen SS ??) who surrendered at the Battle of the Bulge. The Luger has been stored in a closet for almost 50 years. The grip strap is marked " S.B. 12555. ". The base of the nickel plated aluminum based magazine is stamped with a small " Sunburst over K " (Municipal Police ?), a " 2 ", and " 12555. ". There is no sear safety. Comments? W. E. Cole, 6109 Rolling View Drive, Sykesville, MD 21784-6525.

To all WALTHER collectors from Reinhard Kornmayer : Recently I received from Switzerland an authorized information which might be of special interest to the collectors of Walther pistols. In 1965 , the Swiss Army ordered from WALTHER for the pilots of the flying corps (Fliegertruppe) 415 Walther pistols model PPK-L Cal.32 (with light-metal frame). These had then the official designation **Fliegerpistole eidgenössische Ordonnanz Modell 1965** . The serial numbers of 412 of the totally 415 pistols are known :

513796	515414 - 515438	515442	515444 - 515516
515518 - 515532		515534 - 515616	515719 - 515750
515752 - 515775		515777 - 515787	515789 - 515867
515869 - 515875		515877 - 515932	515934 - 515938

The pilots had no holsters for these Walther pistols. The pistols were worn in a special pocket which was sewed on the right leg of the pilot-dress. For the spare magazine was another pocket by the side of the pistol pocket.

To all MAUSER collectors from Reinhard Kornmayer: The collectors of Mauser guns might be interested in the information that in these days 60% of the shares of the **Mauser Werke GmbH Oberndorf** were sold to the **Rheinmetall -Combine Düsseldorf**, which is one of the greatest armament plants of Germany. 40% of the shares will be hold furtheron by the **Diehl -Combine Nürnberg**, which hold all the shares up to this sale. In 1994 the Mauser-Werke Waffensysteme GmbH made a sales of 65 millions DM with 260 employees.

To Ed Caldwell from Al Hoffmeyer

Thanks for Radom serial numbers and data. Sure welcome.

Re: Second alphabet "K" block.(2/k4210) I checked the data base on 2/K 3000 to 2/K 5000. Found NO mismatched pieces. However its probable ok as there have been many mistakes made during the German production. 4210 and 4221 are just a matter of the 2 and 0. I have seen others where the stamper (a human) misused the punch and reversed the numbers, put them out of sequence and other SLIGHT errors. I wouldn't worry about it. A bigger question arises as my data base shows that pistol to have an unnumbered barell?? Drop me a line as to the markings on the barell and we can go from there.

To Colin Doane: Thank you for info on KIRKWOOD BROTHERS of Boston. I still haven't run down the STORY of U.S. suppling the South Vietnamese army with parkerized Smith & Wesson Model 10s along with thousands of reloads. The letter I got from S & W said my pistol was factory blue but its parkerized and a vet bring back? Maybe some of our group can add something to this as pistol is NICELY parkerized.

To Bob Carns: Re: Eagle WaA623 on Radom pistols. This stamping started at about 2/B4000 +/- . It only appears at the left rear of the slide along with the proof mark. WaA denotes that there was a FULL fledge Waffen Office at the Steyr plant or as we have learned JUST OUT SIDE of the town. To the best of my knowledge this stamp has never been on any other weapons. Prior to the WaA623 the mark had always been plain Eagle 623. The WaA mark remained until 2/K block when thing changed and they then started the BNZ issue.(2K1500) The BNZ era and the final K series all were stamped plain E 623. The E 623 was relocated from the slide to the left front trigger gard. Soon as I get time I will pull a bunch out and report more accurately.

To membership: Still need Radom serial numbers and data for the book. Please write or FAX. Al Hoffmeyer Box 368 Cedar Ridge, CA 95945 (916) 477-6622 Fax 273-6622

FROM MIKE HALL

TO ERNIE LANG

Thanks for your kind comments. Just got hold of a copy of the newly published book 'The Illustrated Encyclopedia of Handguns' by A. B. Zhuk. Pistol number 1492 on page 185 is exactly the same as the .25 pistol (except for the markings) that I described in November. I believe that this now definitely establishes the connection between 'The Wilson Patent' and 'Manufacture Liegeoise D'Armes a Feu'.

TO JIM CATE

Can report the following Sauer Model 38h.

Serial no. 306926

Steel trigger

Slide/left J. P. SAUER & SOHN, SUHL

CAL. 7,65

Slide/right PATENT

Proof Eagle/N

Issue mark Eagle/Swastika in circle C

Mag. Black parkerised (?) -removable base via button-no markings.

TO C96 BUFFS FROM JOE SCHROEDER: At the last Cleveland show got a fixed sight 6-shot large ring, serial 29568, VL&D marked as shown on P 80-81 of System Mauser. It's got the thin backstrap, not stock slotted, but at the same show I saw 29612, identical except for wide backstrap and slotted. Bob Adams has recorded 16 6-shots of this type, serials from 29507 to 29665. Question: How many of this variation are slotted, and how many are not, and are all VL&Ds?

MORE C96: Following John LaCroix's comments on Mauser pockets in March A-M, there can be much learned from serial number gaps. For example, we've noted dozens of 6-shots and early Bolos in the 40,000 to 45,000 serial range, but what happened to the 45,000-50,000 serial numbered guns? Since the 29,000-30,000 range is all 6-shots and Bolos, could Mauser have designated the 40-50,000 range to be also all Bolos and 6-shots, and simply left it unfilled when demand didn't justify further production of those variations? It's interesting that a few stray Bolos have shown up in the 50, 70 and 90-thousand serial ranges, most but not all in 9mm Export caliber.

FOR RADOM BUFFS: 1937 dated VIS, serial 8484, found by a local collector at the March CADA show here. Wish I'd seen it first - really choice!

FOR AL HOFFMEYER RE GUN WORLD RADOM ARTICLE: As a long time editor in technical fields as well as for Gun Collectors Digest, we call these "Gee Whiz" articles, as in "Gee whiz, ma - look at what I found at the gun show!" It's a sad thing when an editor is so hard up for material that he uses such stuff, and isn't it great that Tom Knox doesn't have that problem!

To David Franchi from Shayne MacMahon: '34 Beretta #G08043. High polish blue, blank slide, crown/RE on left, IVU on right. #F69937, 9mmk, blue, 1943 slide legend with XXI fascist date, airforce eagle on frame.

To Joel Miller: I have T.11 . I've asked similar questions in the past. I personally have not seen an S.T. #. or L.T. #.

To membership: I echo Mr Beers comments. Through Don's list I have found 1 matching luger mag for me and have placed 1 of mine in another members luger.

To 1911 collectors: Found under the seat of a car we stopped for drugs, 1911 .45. Springfield Armory slide and barrel, frame is E.E.C. Remington UMC. serial # 35. Gun will probably wind up in our state arsenal and eventually disappear. If anyone can show a theft report where this gun was taken from them, it will be returned. It's not in NCIC under Colt, Springfield or Remington UMC.

TO THE MEMBERSHIP:

The second annual Southeastern NAPCA Convention will be held Friday, Saturday, and Sunday, September 22, 23rd, and 24th, 1995. The Convention will be held in Macon, Georgia at the Holiday Inn and Convention Center, which was the site of last years Convention. Mark your calendars now to attend. Details will follow. Anyone having questions can contact Barry Melton at (912) 477-2936.

Tom, I appreciate all your help and as usual, your good work editing Auto-Mag. Keep it up. Let me hear from you soon.

Sincerely,

Freddy

TO THE MEMBERSHIP WALTHER MODEL 7.

IN THE LAST NEWSLETTER, A QUESTION WAS RAISED ON WALTHER S/N RANGES. I CANNOT ADD TO THE METHOD USED BUT HAVE SEEN THE RANGE FOR MODEL 7 WALTHERS LISTED AS 29270 TO 62510. I HAVE A MODEL 7 WITH S/N 65319 WHICH IS OVER THE ACCEPTED RANGE. IT IS VERY SIMILAR TO S/N 32837 WHICH I ALSO HAVE. DIFFERENCES ARE 1) 15 SERRATIONS ON SLIDE VRS 8 ON THE OLDER MODEL, 2) S/N ON THE LEFT FRAME BACK OF TRIGGER GUARD AND ALMOST COVERED BY THE GRIP-;. IN THE OLDER MODEL S/N IS ON THE RIGHT IN FRONT OF THE TRIGGER GUARD. 3) BOTTOM OF MAGAZINE IS CUT OUT INTO A "W" SHAPE. LOOKS LIKE FACTORY NOT AFTERWORK. OLD MODEL IS PLAIN. 4) THE FRAME OF THE NEWER MODEL HAS A CUT OUT EITHER FOR WEIGHT REDUCTION OR MORE PROBABLY FOR EASE OF INSTALLING THE TRIGGER BAR AND SPRING.

IN THE LAST 20 YEARS OR SO THESE ARE THE ONLY 2 MODEL 7'S I HAVE SEEN. DOES ANYONE HAVE MORE DATA ON S/N'S OR OTHER VARIATIONS??

TO EITAN FELDMAN. RE MAKAROV SCILENCERS
HAVE OBSERVED A DDR MAKAROV WITH A THREADED BARREL FOR A SILENCER IN A N.E. ATLANTA PAWN SHOP. THE OWNER WAS SELLING IT AS A RUSSIAN ONE. I CANE GET THE ADDRESS IF YOU WANT.

JIM CULLITON, BOX 112 ATTAPULGUS, GA. 31715 .

From: Alan Smith
To: Brad Stimson

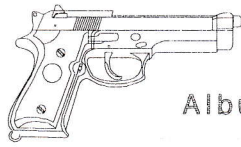
Thanks for taking to time and effort to report the serial numbers that appear in the March 1995 issue of *Auto Mag* at P. 284. However, would you please clarify your description of 1906 Commercial .30 cal. SN 29848. You indicate that it is marked "safe-loaded," but I am confused as to what you mean. Do you mean that the thumb safety area is marked "safe" and the extractor marked "loaded" or is the thumb safety area marked "GESICHERT" and the extractor marked "GELADEN"? Also, you mentioned 1900 Swiss SN 1616; is this a military or commercial? Proofs? Additionally, I would appreciate knowing the source of these SN's (you said they came from the same place) if you are at liberty to disclose this information. Thanks for your assistance.

To: Chuck Watts

As with Brad Stimson, thanks for including the serial number of your 1906 Eagle 9mm SN 33847 on P. 298 of the March 1985 issue of *Auto Mag*; I appreciate your candor in including the FULL SN in your advertisement. I would like to know if your '06 Eagle is marked "GERMANY" on the frame and does it have any proofs? Again, thanks for your help.

From: Alan Smith
To: WWI German Unit Marking Experts

The other day I read an article about Sgt. Alvin C. York and the 132 German prisoners he captured in the Argonne forrest. The article mentioned that the prisoners were a German machine gun company. Does anyone know the identity of this unit? What would be the unit marking on equipment used by this unit?



BOB ADAMS
 P.O. Box 23010
 Albuquerque, NM 87192 USA

14 March 1995

Stolen!

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The following were stolen in an auto burglary early in the morning of 14 March 1995.

<u>Make & Model</u>	<u>Serial</u>
1. Mauser Banner Luger, 1941 Police marked (Eagle L) -----	9929x
2. Krieghoff Luger, 'S' date, restored (reblued) -----	1,715
3. Single Shot tip-up unusual .22 conversion for Colt .45 - unmarked, but made by Sedgeley -----	15 - internal
4. Le Fauchaux 9mm Pinfire antique revolver - engraved (etched) cased in black 'coffin' style case with brass trim -----	738
5. Hungarian "Nalava" .25 auto with holster - very unusual -----	2,410
6. Fabrique Nationale Browning 1900 .32 auto, in factory case -----	467,802
7. Tokarev style 9mm auto with safety, Marked "Super 12", hammer & sickle, 9mm & 7.62mm -----	HP4657
8. Czech Duo .25 auto, dated 1941, "Geco" on trigger guard -----	32,690

If you have any information, please contact the undersigned, or the Albuquerque Police Department, Burglary Unit at 768-2300. Case Number 95-55443. (BATF Case 95-328).

Sincerely,

Bob Adams
 Phone (505) 255-6868
 FAX (505) 255-3633

TO: JOHN COE from BILL HULBERT. I am not a Marine expert, but I will take a run at your question (March AM page 287). I think it quite possible for a U boat to mount a 10.5cm deck gun. It was common practice during both World Wars for submarines to mount a deck gun. One purpose being to finish off a damaged enemy ship with gun fire to conserve torpedoes.

TO: KLAUS MERZBACH from BILL HULBERT. Re your Reichsrevolver holster altered to P08. I also have one which I asked questions about in Auto Mag, July 1994, page 91. Makers name unreadable (begins with H) over 1915 over Berlin. Two ink stamps on the inside of the flap with 1924 being the only portion I can read. Tom Heller responded on page 160 of October 1994 Auto Mag that he has one by the same maker as yours, but no mention of the 1924 stamp. Conversion date?? Re-issue date?? Or?? Comments??

TO DON CREWS AND MEMBERSHIP
From Frank Lanzillo

I was very gratified to read in the March 95 issue of AUTO MAG about the success that Don Crews had using the MAGNETIC RUBBER INSPECTION method of detection and restoring obliterated markings on a weapon and other metals. The DYNAMOLD COMPANY, maker of the MRI material, had furnished me with a set of color slides for the Winter Haven meeting. It depicted the "Before and After" results that were possible. Having only one Navy Luger that MAY have some obliterated markings,- I did not purchase a kit. Thank you Don for reporting your results to the membership.... One member had asked about six months ago, if acid used on a weapon would restore the markings? As a Forensic Photographer for the Florida Dept. of Law Enforcement, Crime Lab for over twenty-five years, I worked with our Firearms Examiners many times trying to restore serial numbers that had been removed from weapons. We used acid, files and grinding wheels to produce a smooth surface necessary for proper restoration. All of these methods, no matter how carefully performed destroyed the surface and finish of the weapon. Do not use harsh chemicals or abrasives on your weapons. I am not aware of any members (other than Don) that have a kit of MRI Restoration material. Do we have any members that would like to purchase the material and supplies from Dynamold Company and for a reasonable fee would restore markings on weapons that a member would UPS to them for that purpose?????

Speaking of UPS,-I have a question for the members. Since my retirement from the Crime Lab two years ago, I am frequently asked if I still have the equipment to photograph weapons. For those of you who don't remember, I designed and sold shadowless light boxes specifically for weapon Photography. I still have my camera collection and a large light box. Is there a need by members to have their collection or special weapons photographed for 1. Insurance, 2. Publication or 3. Inventory purposes? Would it be practical to UPS the weapon to me for this purpose? I still have my Collectors FFL, But I gave up my Dealers FFL. If I do get a favorable response, I would work out some price guidelines. I am able to provide color or black and white prints, color 35mm slides or V H S and 8mm video tape.

If I get no response to my offer, I may have a collection of camera equipment for sale..... write or call

Frank J. Lanzillo
1911 Nelson Circle
Tallahassee, Fla. 32303
904 385 4687 days or evenings

To Dick Roback from Merv Broten : The book Service Handguns by Klaus-Peter Konig and Martin Hugo shows photos of a select fire Steyr Hahn, which they call the M12/16. Unfortunately, the text gives very little information. The photos show a standard looking M12 with a fixed magazine extension below the butt, complete with lanyard loop. There is a selector lever on the right side of the frame, above and behind the trigger, which appears to be connected to the trigger by some linkage. The lever extends to the rear, and the upper position is marked "16" and the lower position is marked "1". Sights appear to be standard fixed. The pistol is dated 1919 on the left side of the slide. It's difficult to tell from the photos, but the serial numbers on the slide and frame may not match. The slide may be a 4 digit number with a "z" suffix, and the frame may be a 3 digit number (271).

WALTHER MODEL PP

CAL 7.65m/m

SERIAL # 752742 P CIRCA 1929

SERIAL # PANOGRAPHED ON SLIDE. ALL STEEL CONSTRUCTION. ♡N PROOF ON CHAMBER, SLIDE, BARREL. ♡J PROOF ON BARREL JUST AFT OF ♡N PROOF. 90* SAFETY, HAMMER, HAMMER AXLE PIN, MAG RELEASE, AND TRIGGER GUARD ARE ALL BLUE. MAG IS LATE WAR, MILL MARKS, BLACK OXIDE, LARGE W ON RIGHT SIDE.

FRAME, SLIDE AND TRIGGER ARE "ANODIZED" !!!

BURGUNDY TO BROWN IRDESCENT "ANODIZED" !!!

COLOR AND FINISH IS VERY MUCH LIKE THE EARLY "SA" DAGGER STEEL SCABBARD. TRACES OF OXIDIZED ALUMINUM, GRAY/WHITE, IN THE WORN AND FLAKED AREAS. ALL ELSE IS STANDARD FOR A COMMERCIAL WALTHER MODEL PP OF THE PERIOD. EXTENSIVE RESEARCH HAS RESOLVED, TO DATE, THAT THIS WALTHER PP IS THE ONLY KNOWN EXAMPLE OF AN "ANODIZED" FINISH ON ANY KNOWN ALL STEEL FIREARM OF ANY MAKE OR ORIGIN !! ANYONE WITH KNOWLEDGE OF AN "ANODIZED" FINISH ON ANY ALL STEEL FIREARM IS REQUESTED TO PLEASE PROVIDE INFORMATION SUITABLE FOR FOLLOW-UP AND CONFIRMATION.

To the Membership (especially our European friends) from Jim Piekarski:

1. Although these questions may have been addressed in previous issues, I was wondering what became of the machines and tooling for manufacturing Lugers (from both Mauser and Kreighoff) after WWII and if the machines and tooling are still in existence.
2. Why did Mauser decide to alter the original P.08 pattern and design (although slightly) with their commemorative/re-issue series of Lugers. Why didn't they just faithfully replicate the original pattern? Did they consider these changes as "improvements?"

To Thompson Knox from Jim Piekarski: On a completely non-gun-collecting related matter; how do you manage to get such a great assortment of postage stamps on my monthly AutoMag mailing envelope? It's almost worth the cost of membership just to see what strange old stamps will turn up on each issue. Where do you get all these stamps--leftovers from previous mailings?

To the Membership, from John Malloy:

There seems to be some new interest about the MAB Modele R 9mm pistol surfacing. This is great.

Here are serial numbers of three pistols I have personally examined: 265, 266 and 1116.

This range of numbers is especially interesting, as I have heard the conflicting ideas that all 9mm Modele R numbers were below 1000, and, conversely, that all numbers were above 1000. 1116 does not have the additional "for W.A.C" stamped after the "MADE IN FRANCE" slide marking.

I photographed number 265 and included it in my article "Blowback Nines" in the 1993 GUN DIGEST, pages 70-85 (which may be of interest to some members.)

Other NAPCA members own or have seen other pistols with different serial numbers. I hope they will provide additional information.

The 9mm Modele R is a mechanically strange, but interesting pistol. It is difficult to research and relatively little is known about it. I am glad some of our members are interested, and hope more information will come to light.

To FROMMER/FEGYVERGYAR Collectors, and the Membership, From Charlie Sorrentino: Several months ago I purchased a 7.65mm Frommer Stop pistol, s.n. 75471. Pistol is all matching with about 60% blue and with Black/Brown Plastic like grips monogrammed at the top with FS. The pistol itself has very few markings and no Unit identification. On the left top of the gun above the barrel, running parallel to the bore is FEGYVERGYAR-BUDAPEST.FROMMER-PAT.STOP CAL.7.65mm(.32). On the left trigger housing, below the barrel is a circle containing a crown/BP over a small 1. (I assume this is the Hungarian proof mark). Above the C/BP mark at the very top of the left side trigger guard, where it meets the frame, is a small (1.5-2mm) Crown/Gothic D. The Pistol has no other proof or inspector marks. I know that the FROMMER STOP was used by the German Army during WWI as a substitute standard pistol (There are several period pictures showing German troops posing with a mixture of Lugers, C-96 and Stop pistols.) My question concerns the Crown/Gothic D marking, which is very similar to the Danzig Arsenal acceptance mark as shown by Kenyon (Luger The Multi-National Pistol. pp 84-85.) on the 1902/03 Danzig test Luger. I recently read in Walter (The Luger Book) that during the time period immediately prior to and during WWI, the Royal Arsenals, Danzig among them, were busy with trials and acceptance of several foreign as well as domestic self loading pistols. The Frommer Stop was certainly one of them. I have 3 related questions:

- 1) Does anyone when in production the serial number (75471) would place this pistol in terms of approximate date of manufacture?
- 2) The C/Gothic D. Does this suggest, as I believe, that this is a German Army or Arsenal acceptance mark?
- 3) Is this marking common or uncommon, and does it represent acceptance through an Imperial Arsenal? Is this possibly a pistol from a test series conducted prior to the acceptance of the Frommer Stop as an approved Substitute Standard pistol for the German Army.

Any Help or suggestions would be greatly appreciated.

WANTED

Walther PP holster, NSKK issue. Randy Bourland, 2221 Lake Rd., Belmont, Ca. 94002
415-595-3682

Original grips (prefer wood) and original mags for the M1914 Star pistols, both
full size and officers models. Tom Knox, POB 15738, St. Louis, Mo. 63163
314-481-4344 evenings

Pre-war ERMA .22 target pistols, literature and advertising for same - top dollar
paid or will trade - also, ERMA pre-war conversion unit for the P08, must be
matching, boxed, complete and in exc. condition. Walter Goodrich 804-589-2661

Azanza y Arrizabalaga, .32, M1916, #37031 as pictured in Mathew's FIREARMS
IDENTIFICATION, Vol. II, page 98, #267; holster/stock for pre-war commercial, .30,
Mauser C96, #059. Mike Burns 614-878-4512

ANY Beretta marked RM on grip - vg or better. Ski Scozzari, POB 14402, Huntsville,
Al. 35815

Firing pin for Warner Infallible; firing pin for .22 Franz Stock; grip screw and
slide for .32 Le Page. Lew Curtis, 108 Robins Dr., San Antonio, Tx. 78226

Pre-war and wartime Walther PP/PPK literature, folders, etc. Bruce Lindsey,
913-345-8605

Mauser M1910 .25 autos - any/all variations wanted by serious collector. Bob
Wishon, 138 Spencer St., Randleman, NC 27317 910-498-2507

Radom type 2; Jap T26 revolver; GUN COLLECTOR DIGEST #s 1, 2 & 3; CZ24 with test
eagle. Rick Thomas 301-336-4393 after 6pm EST

1903 Mannlicher; Red Nine C96; Russian PSM; 1898 Schwarzlose; FN249; FG42; Fiat
Revelli; Sig 542; Z45; Villa Perosa; Lancaster; Jati Matic; Halcon; Belgian 1889
firle; Fedorov; Fiat M35; Portuguese 1904 6.5. Frank Owens 704-636-1819

Original issue holster for Astra 300. Mike Liesch, 172 Woodstock Rd., Waterloo, Ia.
50701 319-232-5239

E. German firing pin for P38, safety alteration Type I, see Buxton, Vol. III, p.26.
Fred Vilmar, 3320 Sherwood, Saginaw, Mi. 48603

Menz pistols, any caliber; odd .25 pistols; Hafdasa .22. Price and condition. Ernie
Lang, POB 2272, Cayce, S.C. 29171

**WANTED: P.08 Hold-Open #65 (Preferably DWM type-style).
Can trade for another number or will pay cash.
Jim Piekarski 615-849-7772**

**WANTED: Factory nickel plated 1915 hammerless model Savage Automatic Pistol in either
32. or 380. cal. Also a factory nickel plated Model 1917 (Flair grip Model), in
either caliber. Condition must be 95% or better.** Please contact Bailey Brower, Jr,
P.O.Box 111, Madison, N.J., 07940 or call 201/377-0658.

**"RIFLES/PISTOL/COMBINATIONS MARKED ROMERSWERK, ALSO NEED
ORTGIES IN 9MMK, ALSO NEED PP, CN, MILLED, .32, MAG (S# 340,xxx
RANGE). CALL BILL WOJTA AFTER 5 CST, 414-682-2465.**

Weimar period weapons, holsters, books etc. Especially want Police and Navy marked
items. See sale/trade list for trades. Shayne MacMahon, Box 13282, Gainesville,
Fla 32604 904-331-5403

WANTED

Military Krieghoff mags - I have guns covering all mag type ranges (except black plastic), will pay up to \$200 for nice examples; Krieghoff tools - need three early and one late; Krieghoff or pigskin holsters; as new P38 hardshell holster dated '44; K98k, byf 44, complete, matched and exc; nice honest '38, '41 & '44 Krieghoff P08s. Will buy or have goodies to trade. Dave Gunem, 4233 41st Ave. S., Mpls, Mn. 55406 612-722-2721

WANTED: MAUSER PISTOLS M-1910 - M-1914 - M-1934 (ALL TYPES & VARIATIONS). Early, Late, Standard, Those With Special Markings, Etc. - TOP CASH PAID. Please Contact: John LaCroix, P.O. Box 331, Ark, VA 23003 804-693-7495

WANTED: Side plate number 66 for a P-08.

Joe Faughnan
7 Cowpen Road
West Haven, CT 06516
203-933-4897 (eves.)

WANTED: A Femaru M37 mag numbered 58409 or anything close. Also a Hi-Power holster, '43 date or earlier. Will buy outright or trade. William Jabour, 706-283-7448, after 5 PM EST, weekdays, or anytime Saturday.

Wanted: Copies of two books: The Thirty Six Calibers Of the Colt Pistol (Don't recall the author's name, but book deals with the Colt Peacemaker revolver, and the claiBERS produced throughout the manufacture of this pistol. Published in the early 1960's as I recall.) Also want a copy of Sam Costanzo's book on proof and acceptance marks. Willing to pay a reasonable price for these in good condition. Contact: Harvey Roscow, P.O. BOX 1044, Largo, FL. 34649-1044 (813) 531-4870. Thanks.

NAPCA Belt Buckle, either style. Also looking for input from members with unusual **Inglis Browning Hi-Power** pistols. I wish to get information and photographs on the following; "T-series" pistol in the white with Inglis diamond logo, "CH-series" pistol, parkerised, with Inglis Diamond logo, pistols with "X", "EX", "D" or "DP" prefixed serial numbers. Data sheet available on request. I would also like to correspond with members in Belgium, Mexico and Denmark.

Clive M. Law, 55 Abingdon Dr., Nepean, ON, Canada K2H 7M5. Ph.(613) 820-7350, fax (613) 820-1288

Any/all domestic French semi-auto pistols and revolvers; any/all foreign procured French military issue semi-auto pistols and revolvers; any/all French military issue holsters - especially for the Ruby series, the Star 1914 series and just about any other 7,65mm size issue. Tom Knox, POB 15738, St. Louis, Mo. 63163 314-638-6505 days or 314-481-4333 evenings

Finnish military issue semi-autos and revolvers, either domestic or of foreign procurement, must have SA marking; Finnish police and/or home guard marked/issue semi-autos and revolvers - especially looking for Sk.Y marked Astra 300 and any of the FN series (1900, 1910, 1910/22) with Finnish made replacement grips. Tom Knox, Jr., 8353 Lonkar Dr., St. Louis, Mo. 63123 314-481-4344 evenings

OSS/SOE arms and equipment - firearms, edged weapons, special purpose weapons of any type, whatever can be documented to either organization. Jeff Knox, 8353 Lonkar Dr., St. Louis, Mo. 63123 314-481-4344 evenings

SALE/TRADE

Hi Standard Mod. A, #35240, early takedown, vg, \$400; Krieghoff POB, '36, #5276, matched mag, holster, tool, exc, \$3500; '06 naval Luger, #8752 (mag #3185), rear strap ITD 686, vg, \$2500; Chinese C96, bolo, marked R.M.M.W.OE4 THLINE HUNAN, g, \$150, Luger, 1900 AE, #13361, refinish, \$700. Doug Coffey 408-448-8623

Heiser holster, fully carved and laced, double looped, for large frame revolver, \$135; have three other carved Heisers. Peter Cuervo 914-225-0066

Beretta M35, '44, dark phosphate, 4/ut marked, matched, 99%, \$325. Mike Mitchell 412-835-1795

Mags: Walther PPK, Flat Base mag w heavy follower marked Walther Banner cal 9m/m \$100, same with cut out for push button release \$85, Sauer 38H cal 7.65 mag \$50 Tools: Front sight fine adjustment tool for Weimar Navy Artillery Model Luger Crown M \$1000 Pistols: Walther PPK 7.65mm EN, WaA359 milled finish 3760xxx w finger ext. mag. 96% \$800; Sauer 38H EN, Eagle 37, S.N. 3032xx, 98%, \$350. Bill Melton, 7873 Woodingham, W. Bloomfield, MI 48322 (810) 788-0629.

For Sale Extensive collection of .25 Colt Automatics
Acquire an advance collection for the price of one fine Colt Dragoon -and while you still can openly purchase. Group includes many factory engraved, presentation sets and cases, double-cased consecutive numbers, factory display board cut-away, US Prop's, and 1st Junior. Write or call for details. Bill McLaughlin, POB 506, Abbeville, SC 29620.
803 / 459-4001

CLEMENT, Model 1903, 5.5 mm, s/n 97xx, 95%, \$475.;
MANN, 6.35 mm, s/n 384xx, brown patina, \$75.; FN, 1905 Vest Pocket Model (almost identical to Colt 1908 Pocket), 6.35 mm, s/n 90xx, 98%, \$325.; ?, .320 blank pistol in the style of a .25 auto with EM-GE in brass medallion on grips, no s/n, 95% with magazine which feeds horizontally; fires through top of "slide," \$95.; REUNIES "Dictator," 6.35 mm, s/n 61xx, poor to fair condition (mechanically sound, with all parts except lower grip screws and mag, but battered) \$75.; DREYSE, 6.35 mm, s/n 262xx, Schmeisser patent, 85% \$225.; DREYSE, 7.65 mm, s/n 2179xx, civilian, 98%, \$250.; WALTHER, First Model, 6.35 mm, s/n 251xx, most finish gone, wooden replacement grips, 75%, \$125.; WALTHER Model 2 (fixed sight), 6.35 mm, s/n 60xx, chipped right grip, 85%, \$225.; FROMMER, Stop, 7.65 mm, s/n 2513xx, 85%, \$125.; BAYARD, 7.65 mm, s/n 6100, looks like Colt 1908 .25 Pocket Model, but is .32, has extension mag, 95%, \$325.; SAVAGE, 1905/07, .32 ACP, s/n 769xx, 95%, \$275.; FN/BROWNING, 1900, 7.65 mm, s/n 84xx, factory nickel with "R" inspection mark and "pistol logo" grips, 98%, \$350.; COLT, 1903 Hammerless, .32 ACP, s/n 805xx, 1909 mfg. with lots of fire blue, 95%, \$475.; STEYR, 1911, 9 mmSt, s/n 4xx, very early Chilean with crest and box cartridges of the period, 98%, \$400.; MAUSER, M-96/1930, 7.63 mm, s/n 9101xx, professional reblue, but original grips, \$525.; ASP, 9 mm, s/n 802xx, this is the Seventrees conversion (not Wisconsin) of S&W 39, three mags with mag holder and left-hand Null IWB holster, ASP Manual, \$1075. Call or Fax Dave Meyer 208-882-3353.

FOR SALE: 1924 production COLT PRE-WOODSMAN in stunning minty condition. Grips appear new and has early two-toned mag. Pistol retains original colt box numbered to gun. Has original brochure and rare red Woodsman manuel that folds out. Original colt cleaning rod. This rig would be hard to improve for a 1920's era Woodsman! \$895. Mark Rendina (note new number) 408-~~625~~⁶²⁵-1823. Call after SPM Pacific time and leave message on machine.

FOR SALE: DRYSE M 1907 .32 #218814 All matching except mag, which is marked FN and fits perfectly. 90% nice blue but the right rear frame has a spot the size of a quarter that has been touched up and someone -God knows why -has made a small row of tiny scratches along the extractor. This will be the pride of no one's collection but it is a gun Sidney Greenstreet would love to pocket. Bore, grips exc \$100.

FROMMER STOP .32 #320847 Military marked R1814 right rear of frame. 60% blue. Little or no pitting depending on the strength of your eyesight, grips well handled but complete with slight dent on right panel. Missing barrel nut retainer (#13 in NRA Guidebook to Handguns Assembly), a non-functioning part that anyone handy with a lathe could turn out in a few minutes. As a matter of fact this pistol is in no worse condition than the one pictured in the NRA book or the one pictured Smith's Pistols and Revolvers p.236. Bore strong. Remember, this pistol was one of the mainstays of the Austro-Hungarian army and saw plenty of service in WWI. Probably has the most complicated locking system in existence. Yours for \$125.

H&R .32 self loader. #16134 85% blue. Scattered light speckling over entire gun some call the browning effect. Mechanically sound, bore strong. What do you expect for \$100.

LUGER 1937 Commercial Banner #6950v 9mm All matching including numbered grips. Unnumbered correct mag. Mauser coded s/42 replacement barrel numbered to gun with excellent bore. A gun well-used but unabused. Grips warmly worn, but unchipped. Commercial proofs. About 70% blue, 20% straw. \$625

NAMBU T-94 dtd 13-5 (May, 1938) #5093. All matching including mag. 95% blue with light scattered peppering on slide. Excellent bore, grips, mechanics. \$300

REMINGTON M51 .380 #27728 MIB (that's Mint in Box) As close to new as you can get. Certainly impossible to upgrade. Box excellent with all crisp labels. Fresh looking original pamphlet. Two unused tools, original. Included also is a sealed box of vintage Remington UMC .380 cartridges that the old gentleman who owned this piece said he bought when he bought the gun, which he never shot. \$550 Serial should be PA27728 Elliot Tokson 914 273-3317.

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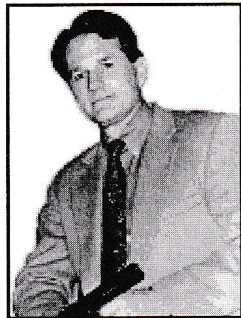
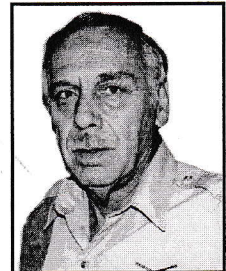
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