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Western Estate Auction June 15, 2024, 10AM Billy Bob's Texas – 81 Club





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THE HISTORIC VESSELS WESTERN ESTATE AUCTION SATURDAY, JUNE 15, 2024 - 10 AM Billy Bob's Texas-81 Club in Fort Worth Stockyards

Previews on June 13 & 14, 2024 from 10am to 7pm **FEATURING LIVE & ONLINE BIDDING** 250+ Remarkable Items from the renowned **VESSELS ESTATE!** 





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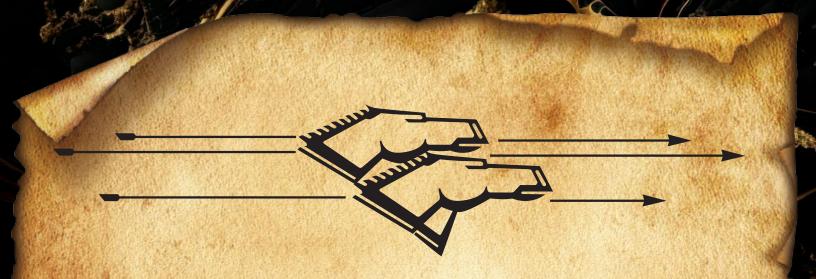
#### FIREARMS MANAGEMENT

War Horse Weapons - Decatur, Texas FFL 5-75-15883

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From the inception of Los Alamitos Race Course in the '50's, the name Vessels has been synonymous with class, professionalism and quality.

Bonnie Vessels was very instrumental with the development and day to day operations of Vessels Stallion Farm in Bonsall, California, where many of today's auction personnel worked during the Vessels' Stallion Farm annual horse auctions. That legendary farm was home to many great horses but none more

famous than the immortal First Down Dash, World Champion and multiple Champion sire, multiple All American Futurity Sire, inducted into the AQHA Hall of Fame in 2011 and considered by many horsemen to be the greatest race sire of all time. His legacy began with his sire, Dash For Cash, also a World Champion and Champion sire and Hall of Fame inductee.

Our industry lost two Champions when we lost Frank "Scoop" Vessels in a private plane crash in August of 2010 followed by the loss of First Down Dash, at age 26, only three months later, on Thanksgiving Day. Bonnie shared ... "he laid down and went to sleep peacefully ... missing Scoop and his sunflower seeds." Dr. Ed Allred, our sport's all-time leading breeder, referred to First Down Dash as an 'incredible' and 'great' horse and in one word ... "amazing."

Although it's not been easy, Bonnie Vessels has had the strength and courage, with the support from so many special friends, to carry on the Vessels Legacy and today, she'll be sharing much of what she's enjoyed for many years. "These items are all beautiful, genuine and very special, but it's simply time to allow someone else to enjoy some of our Vessels' historic collection."

"I hope you'll all enjoy your purchases as much as we've enjoyed them and sharing their stories."

#### **Bonnie Vessels**

Our team is honored to offer you such a fabulous collection, representing the legendary Vessels family history.

#### **Brian Rigby**

# VESSELS WESTERN ESTATE AUCTION --Auction Information & Schedule--

AUCTION LOCATION Billy Bob's Texas - 81 Club 2525 Rodeo Plaza, Ft Worth, TX 76164

AUCTION PREVIEWS Wednesday, June 12th 2pm to 6pm Thursday, June 13th 10am to 7pm Friday, June 14th 10am to 7pm • All Previews are held in the 81 Club •

### **AUCTION DAY & TIME**

Saturday, June 15th 10 am ON LOCATION - Billy Bob's Texas - 81 Club

ALL FIREARMS SELL AT 2pm GOLD & DIAMOND JEWELERY BUYERS Certified Appraisals Available for Preview Days and Day of Auction

### **INTRODUCTIONS**

**Opening Presentations 9:45am** 

\*Please Listen to Announcements Made day of Auction
\*Watch for and Please Observe Auction Signage
\*All Announcements on day of Auction take Precedence

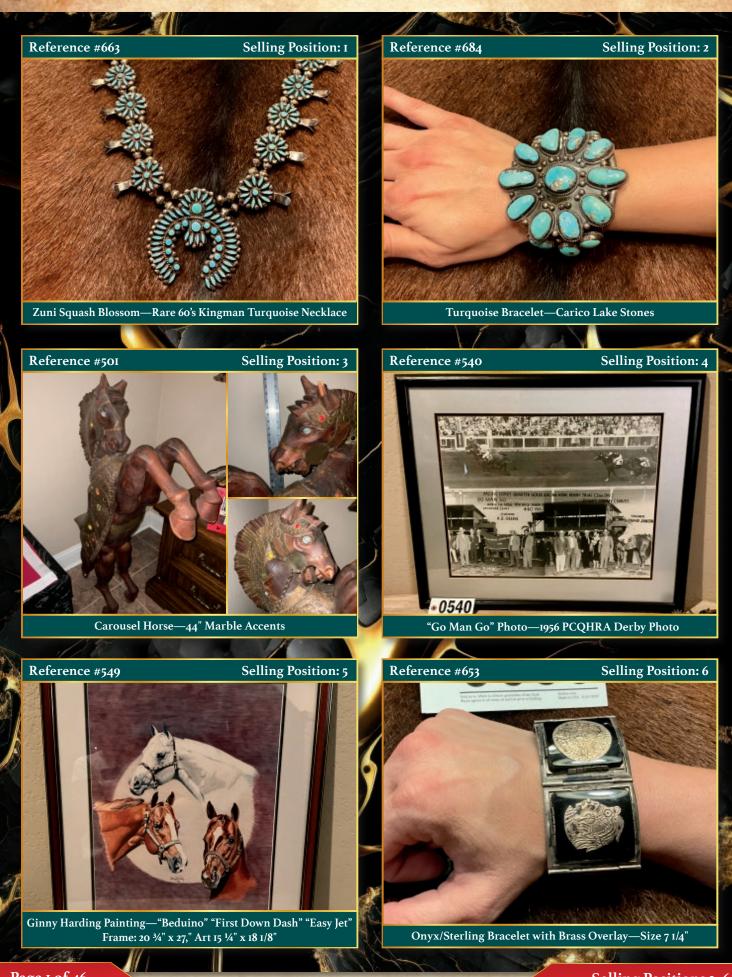
### **CASH BAR & FOOD ON LOCATION**

ONLINE BIDDER REGISTRATION & BIDDING Visit ProxiBid.com and click on B A RIGBY Auctions (Auction House) then follow instructions to register or Visit BARIGBY.com. Click on BID ONLINE in the address bar near the top of the page and follow the instructions. For assistance, call the auction office at 417.849.1167

#### **VESSELS ESTATE AUCTION TERMS & CONDITIONS**

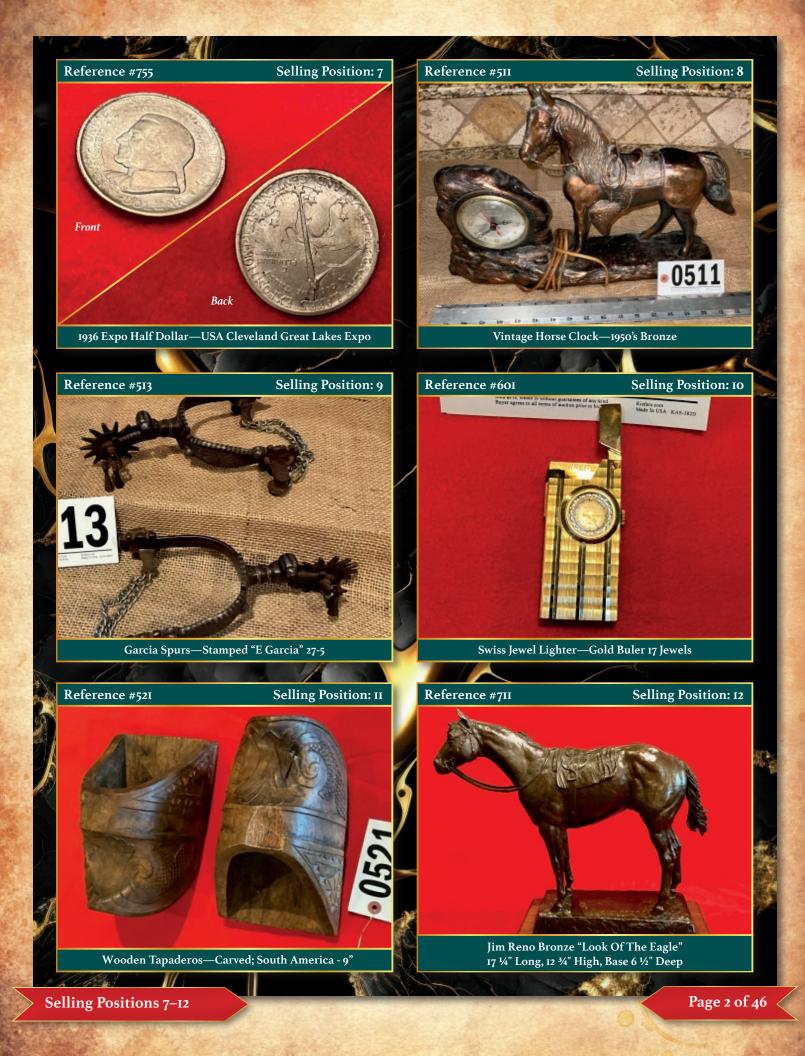
All items are being sold "AS IS, WHERE IS" without warranties or representations of merchantability, condition, fitness, nor of any other kind, express or implied. All items are available for examination and due diligence prior to bidding. Written and oral descriptions and statements are based on research via internet and/or industry review and opinions and should in no way be interpreted as a guarantee of any kind as to authenticity, age, condition, materials or any other feature of any item being sold. B A RIGBY Auctions has attempted to catalog and describe every item accurately and will attempt to disclose any defect but will not be responsible or liable for the accuracy or correctness of the catalog or descriptions of any lot being sold. No exceptions. It is recommended that all prospective bidders examine any lot in which they have an interest and to perform their own due diligence. By placing a bid, either in person, via the internet, by phone or by absentee bid, bidder acknowledges that they have examined the item on which they are bidding to their satisfaction, and they are accepting the item(s) AS IS or that they have chosen NOT to examine the items and that they are therefore forfeiting their right to inspection and are accepting the item in AS IS present condition. If you require absolute certainty regarding authenticity and details of any item and your requests for verification leave uncertainties, we recommend that you have an expert examine the item for you prior to bidding or that you do not bid on the item in question. Please make note the B A RIGBY Auctions does not offer purchase refunds as every item is being sold AS IS, in PRESENT CONDITION and all sales are final. No exceptions.

- 2. PAYMENT: Terms of the auction are: Cash, Personal or Company Checks with proper ID, Cashier's Checks, Visa, MasterCard, AMEX, or bank wire transfer. No financing will be provided on any item therefore each item must be paid for IN FULL the day of auction. For all buyers paying by check, including Cashier's Checks, B A RIGBY Auctions reserves the right to hold all purchases until the buyer's check(s)have been verified and/or have cleared the bank. A 10% buyers premium will apply on every item for buyers attending the live on site auction. A 15% buyers premium will apply to each item of personal property purchased online. The buyers premium will be added to the highest winning bid to determine the purchase price. All buyers must be properly registered prior to bidding and to receive a bidder's number. No exceptions.
- 3. The highest bidder will be the winning bidder on each item as acknowledged by the auctioneer. In the event of a dispute between bidders, the auctioneer will have the final discretion to determine the winning bidder or to immediately resell the item in dispute. Should any dispute arise after the auction, B A RIGBY Auctions' records will be final and please note that all transactions are recorded.
- 4. SHIPPING: B A RIGBY Auctions will provide the buyer(s) with our local recommended company for packing and shipping and they will be in attendance at the auction. NOTE: B A RIGBY Auctions will NOT engage in the packing or shipping of any item. Therefore, it will be the buyer's responsibility to make and confirm their own packing and shipping arrangements and to arrange for the required payment. If your item(s) are damaged during shipment, it is the buyer's responsibility to contact the shipper to file the appropriate claim. All items must be removed from the premises within 24 hours of the conclusion of the auction. Unless prior arrangements have been made and accepted by B A RIGBY Auctions, items not removed by the specified deadline for removal will be charged a storage and handling fee of \$10.00 per day per item until removed.
- 5. If B A RIGBY Auctions is prevented, for whatever reason, from making any item available for pickup and/or shipping, our liability shall be limited to the sum actually paid by the purchaser for said item.
- 6. B A RIGBY Auctions reserves the right to withdraw any item prior to the auction without liability or recourse of any nature.
- 7. The auctioneer reserves the right to reject any bid not proportionate to the value of any item offered.
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- 9. In the unlikely event that we lose Internet connection with the online auction provider, B A RIGBY Auctions reserves the right, in its sole discretion, to cancel the remainder of the online auction and proceed with live on site bidding only.
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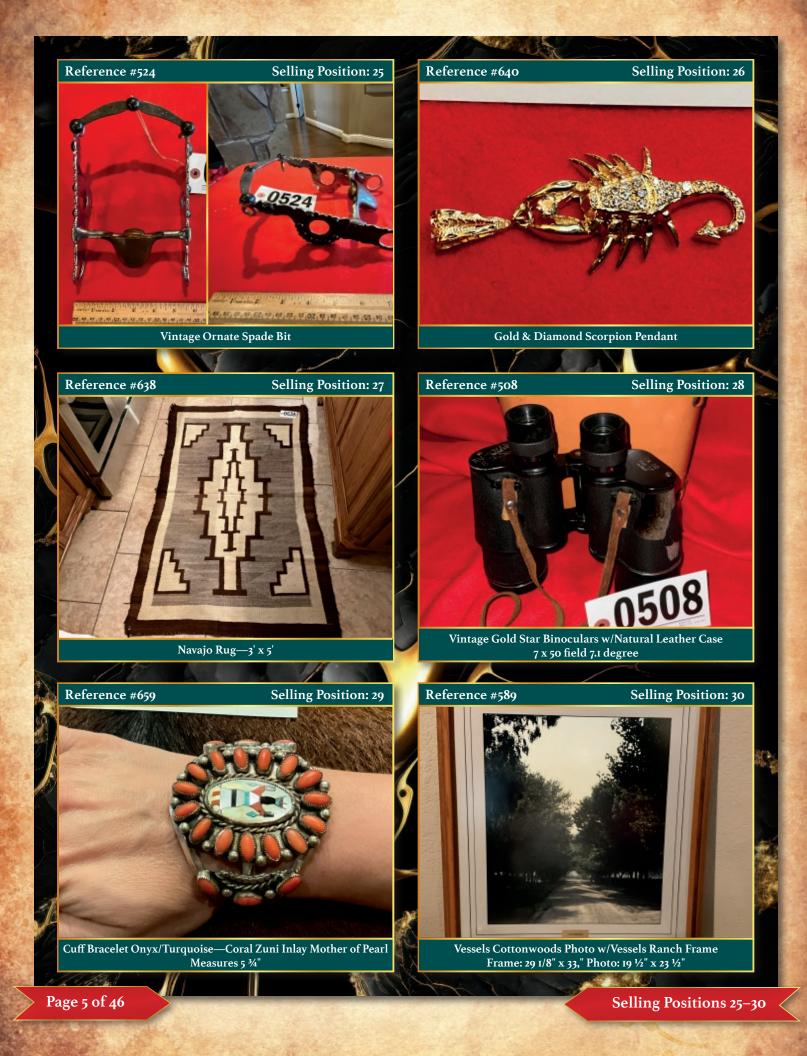
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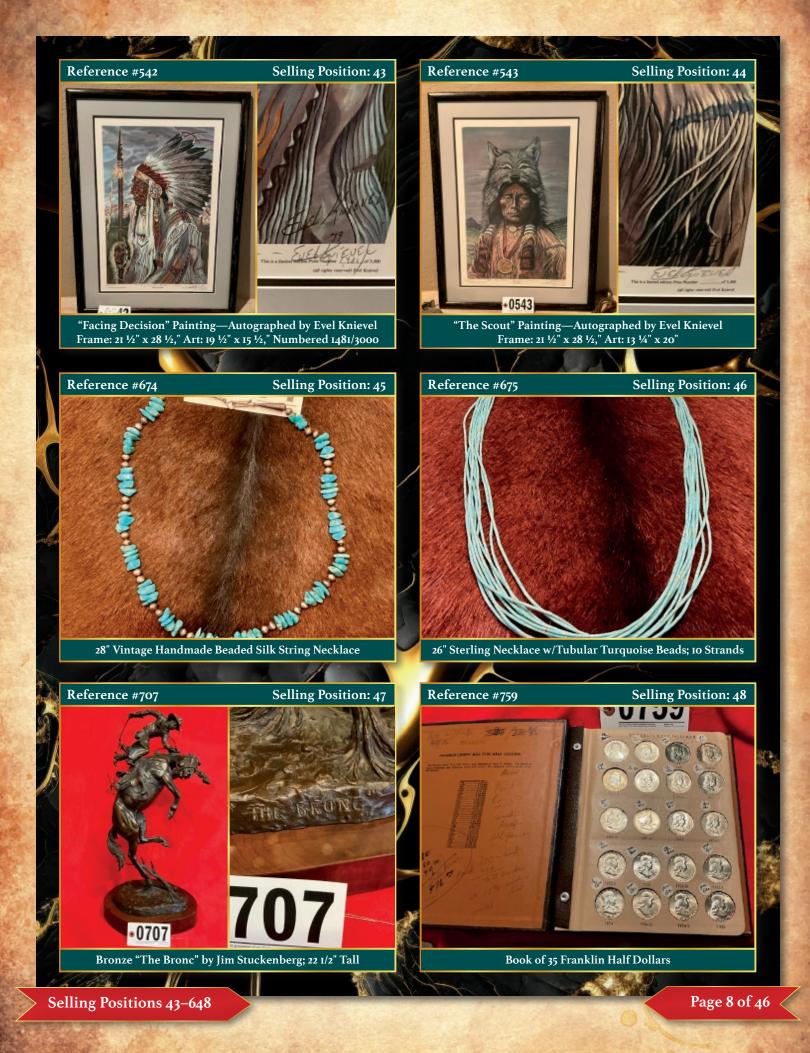




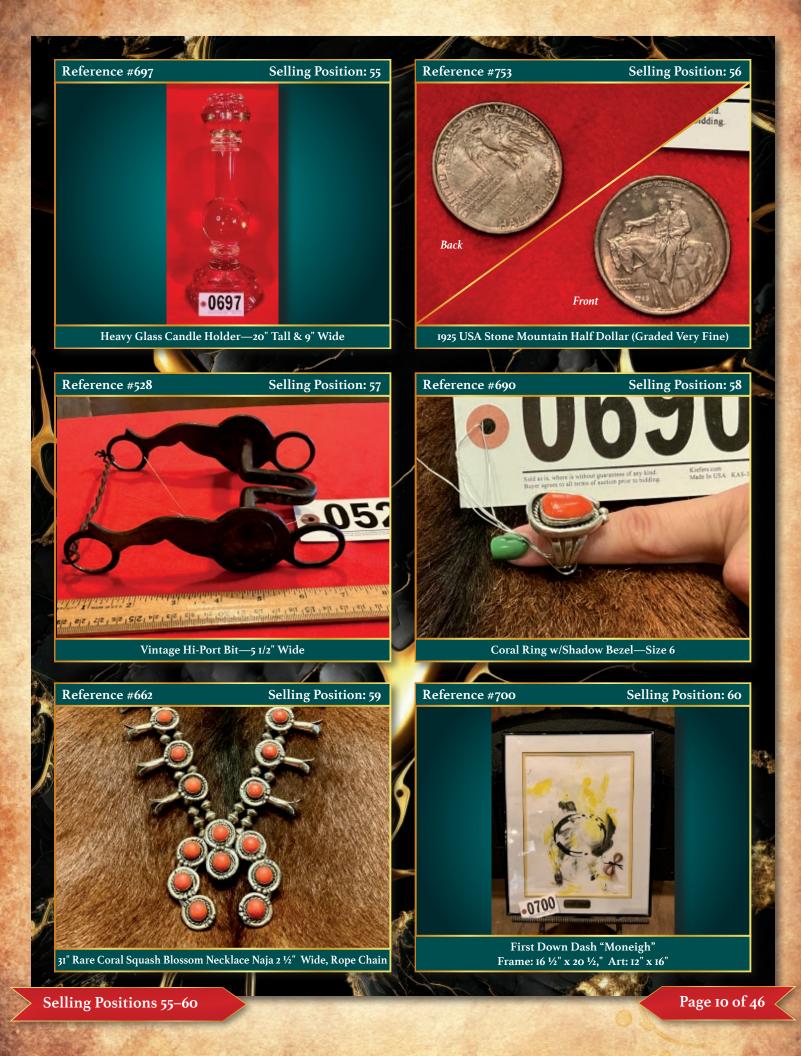








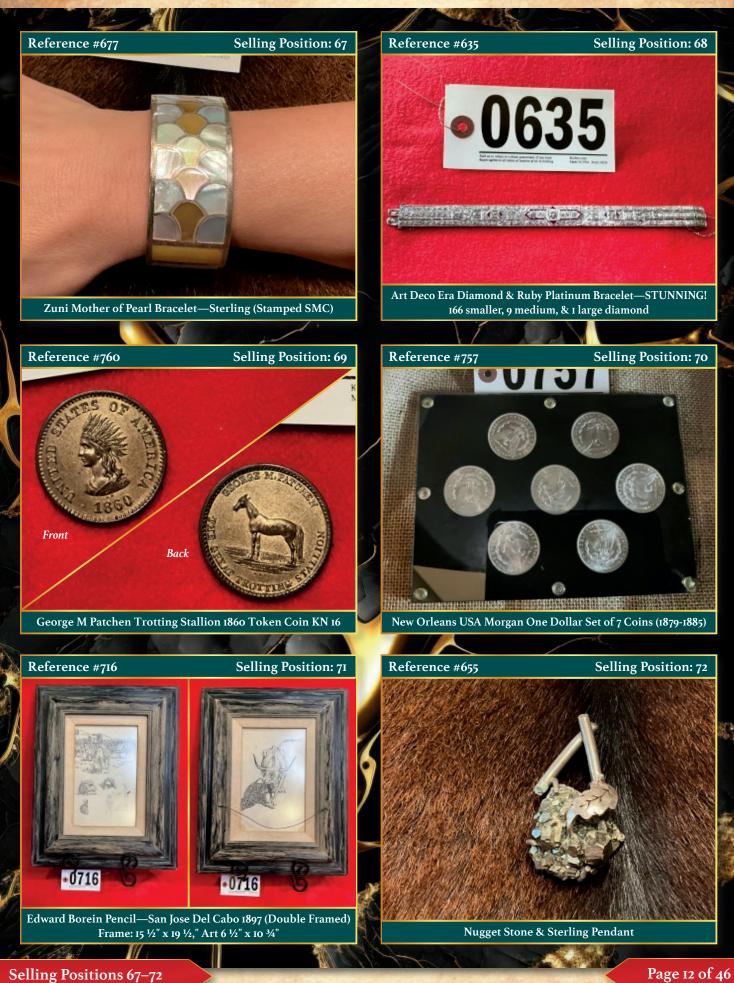


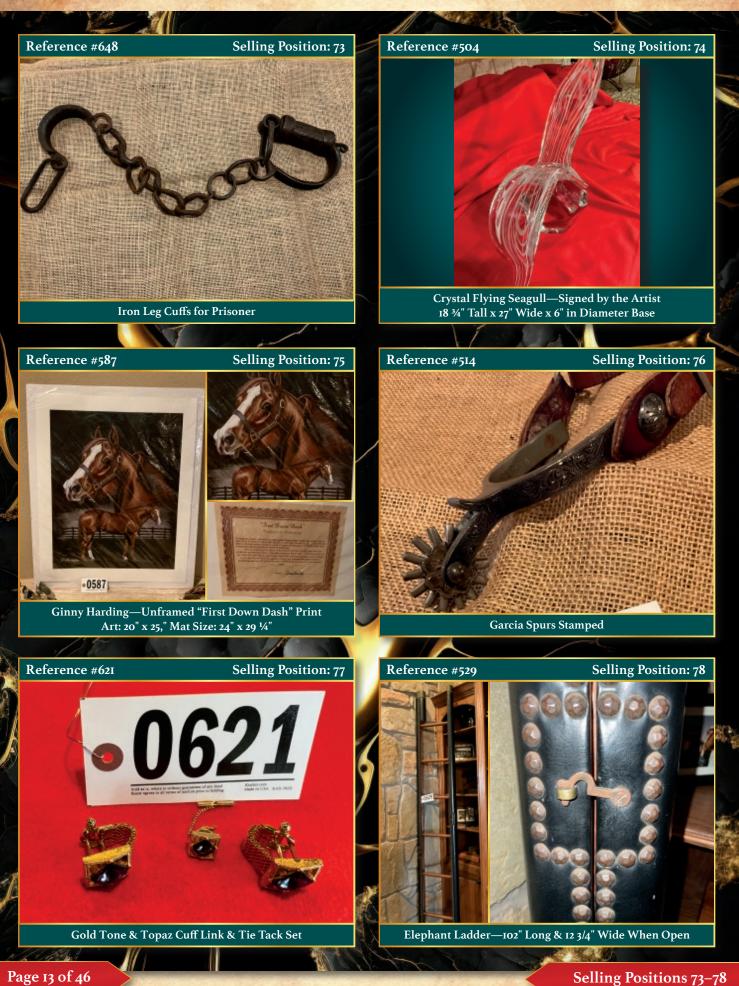




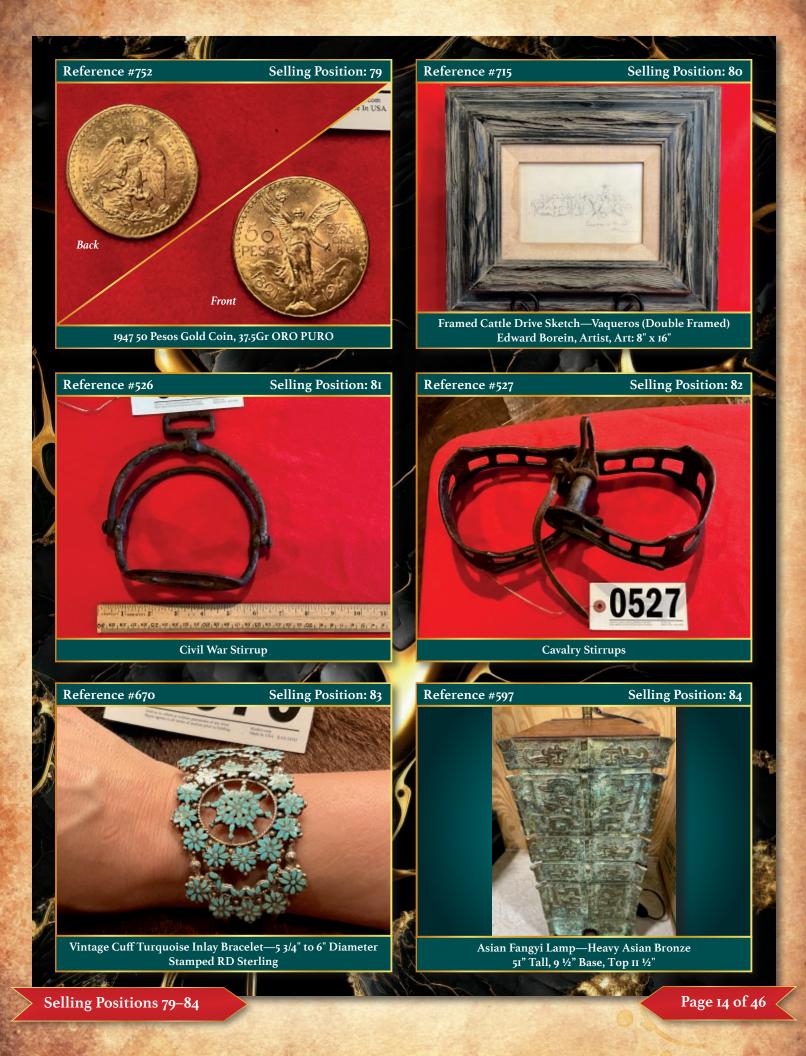
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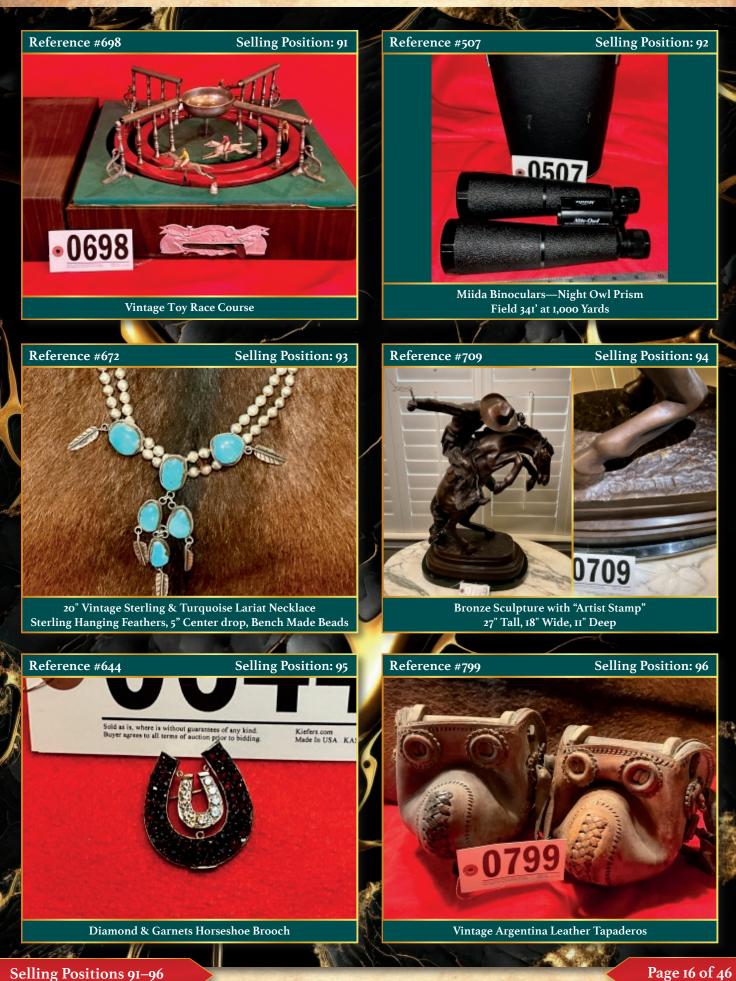
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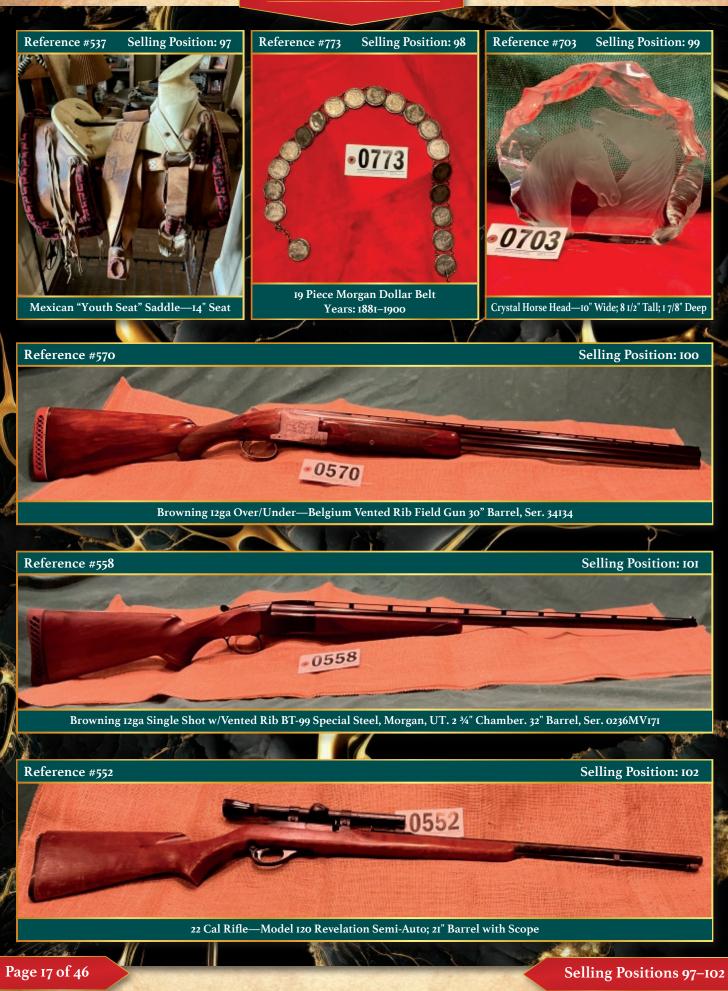




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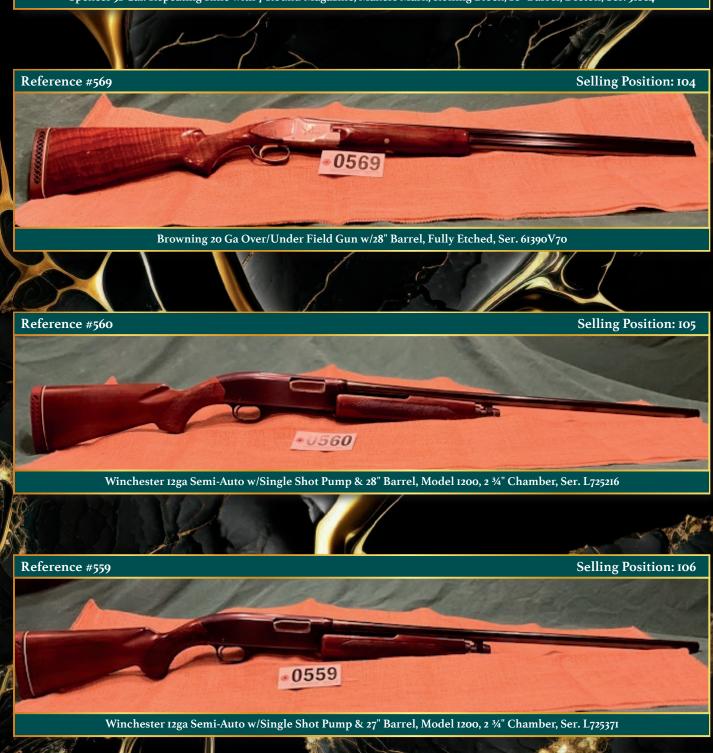
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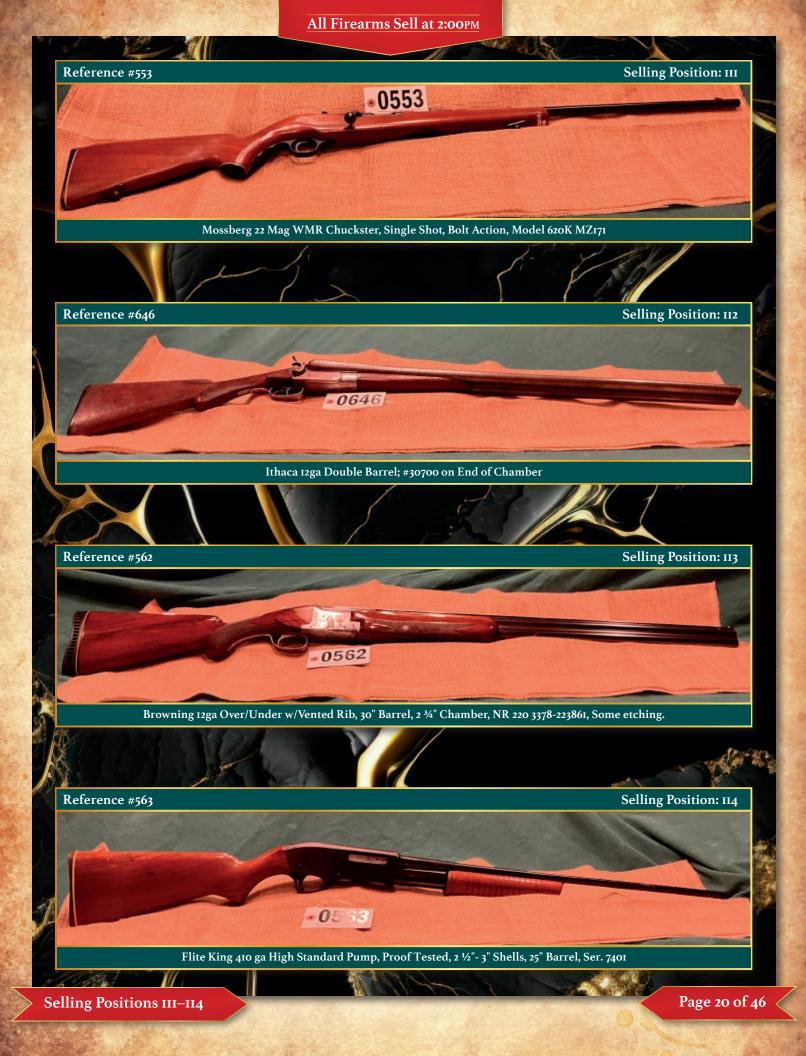


Spencer 52 Cal. Repeating Rifle with 7 Round Magazine, Makers Mark, Rolling Block, 20" Barrel, Boston, Ser. 51884



Selling Positions 103–106





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Selling Position: 115

220 Buehler Bolt Action, Carl Gustafs Stads, 1903 Sweden, Orlinda, CA, Scope Mount, Leather strap, 18" Barrel

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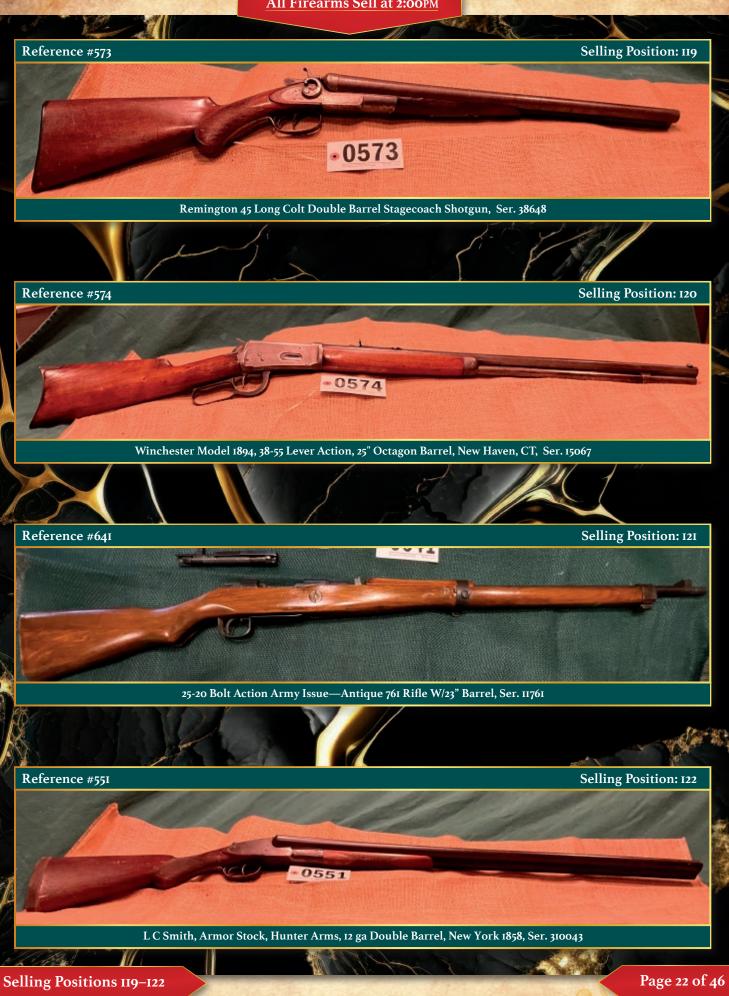
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AR-15 22 Cal Lr Brazil Made; CBC Model 7152; 17" Barrel, Imported by Mossberg, Ser. EME3762138

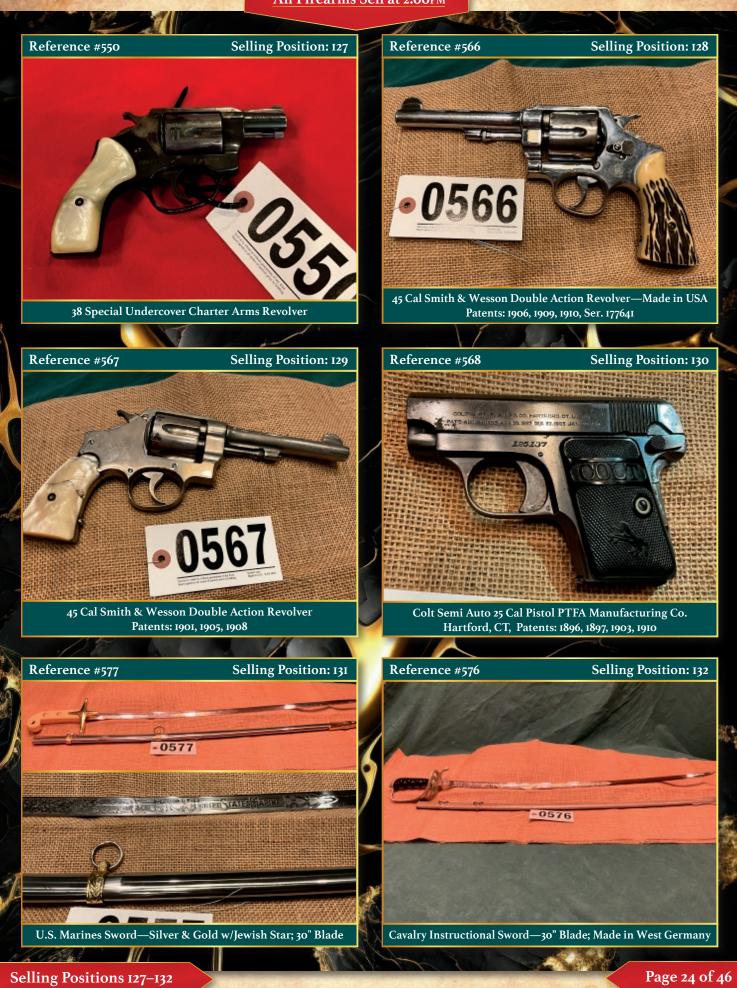
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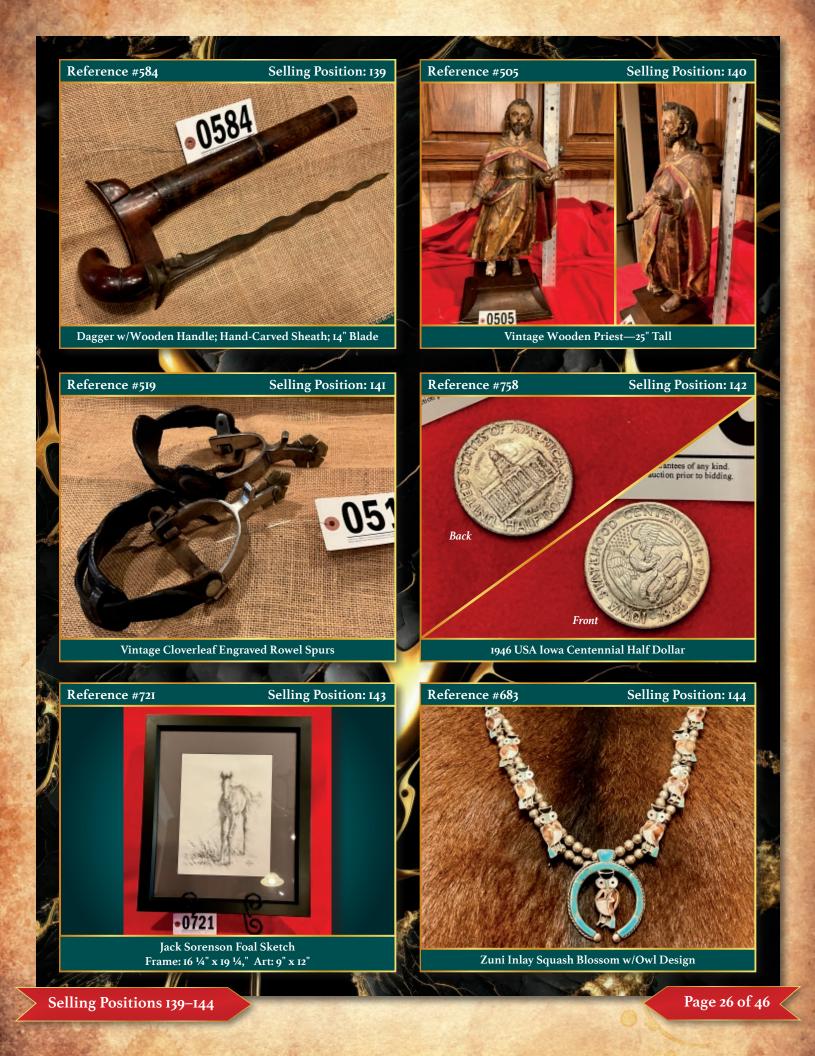


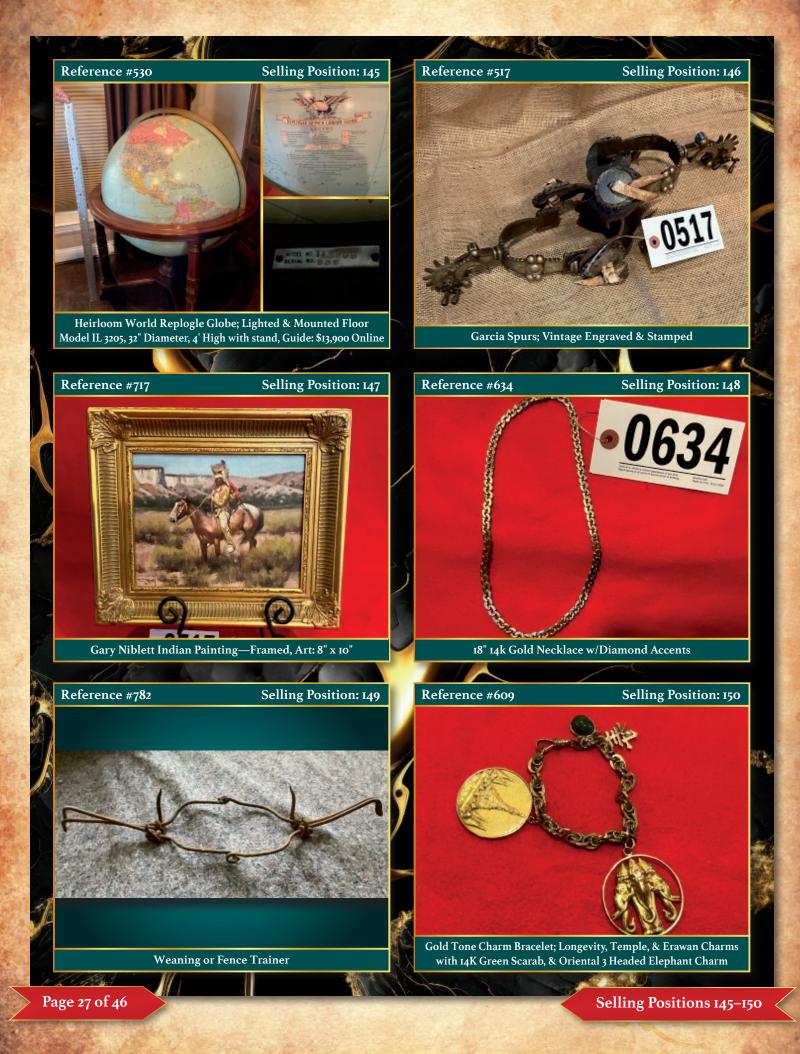


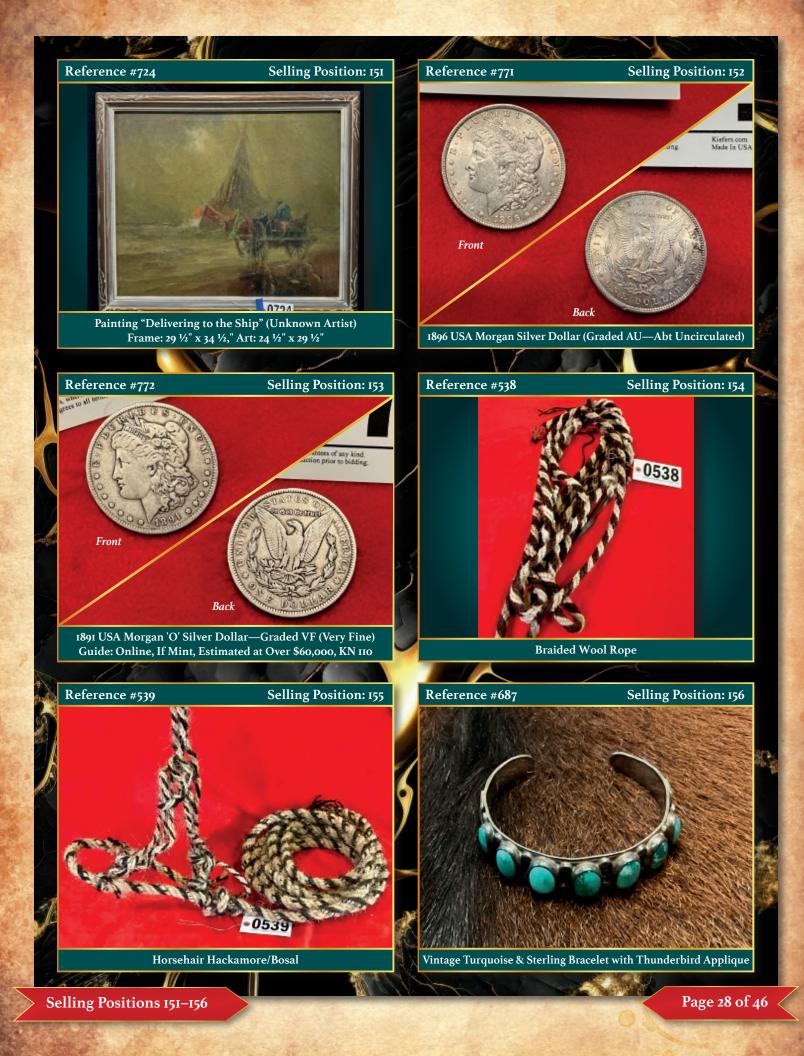


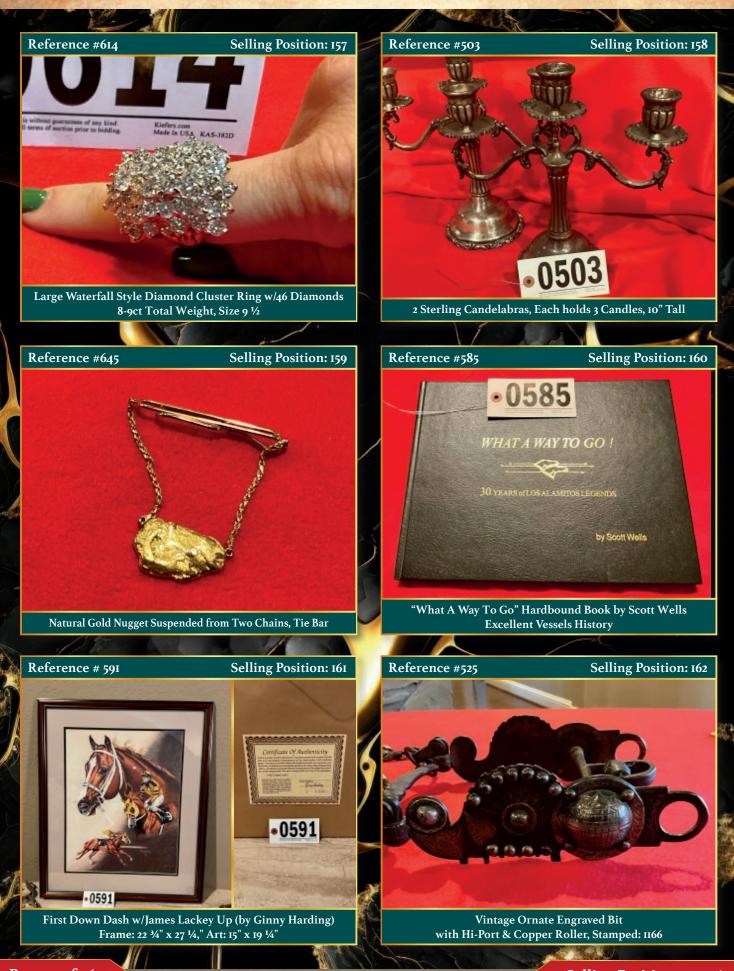






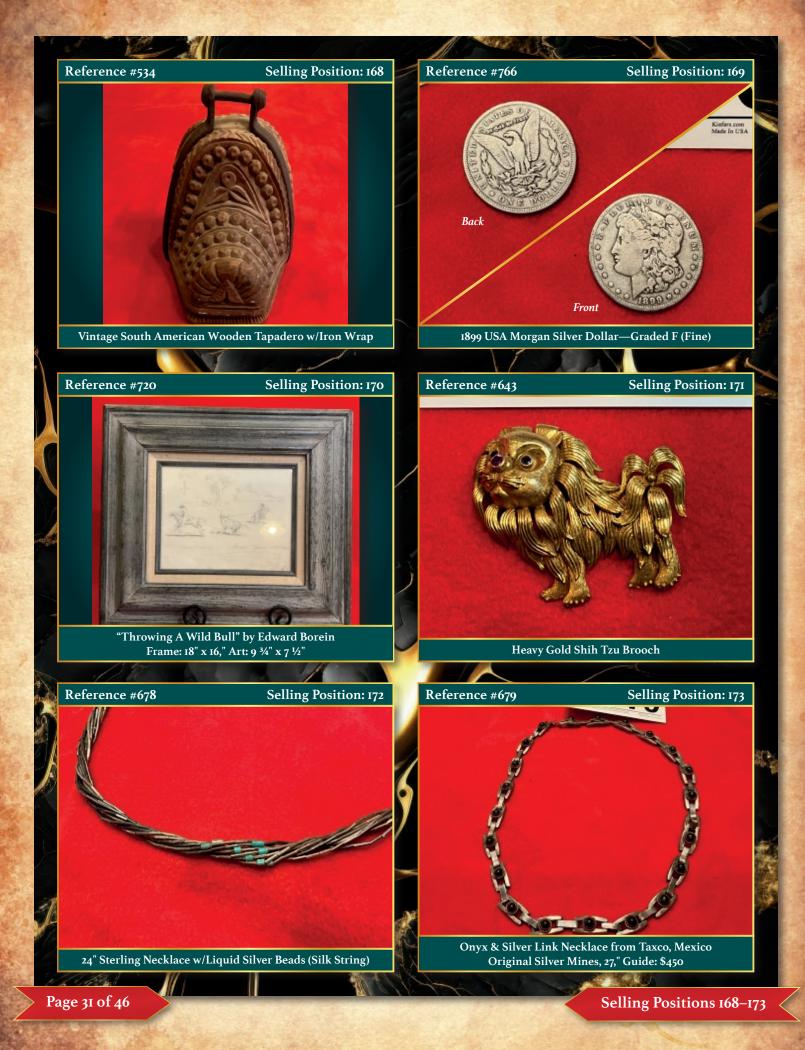






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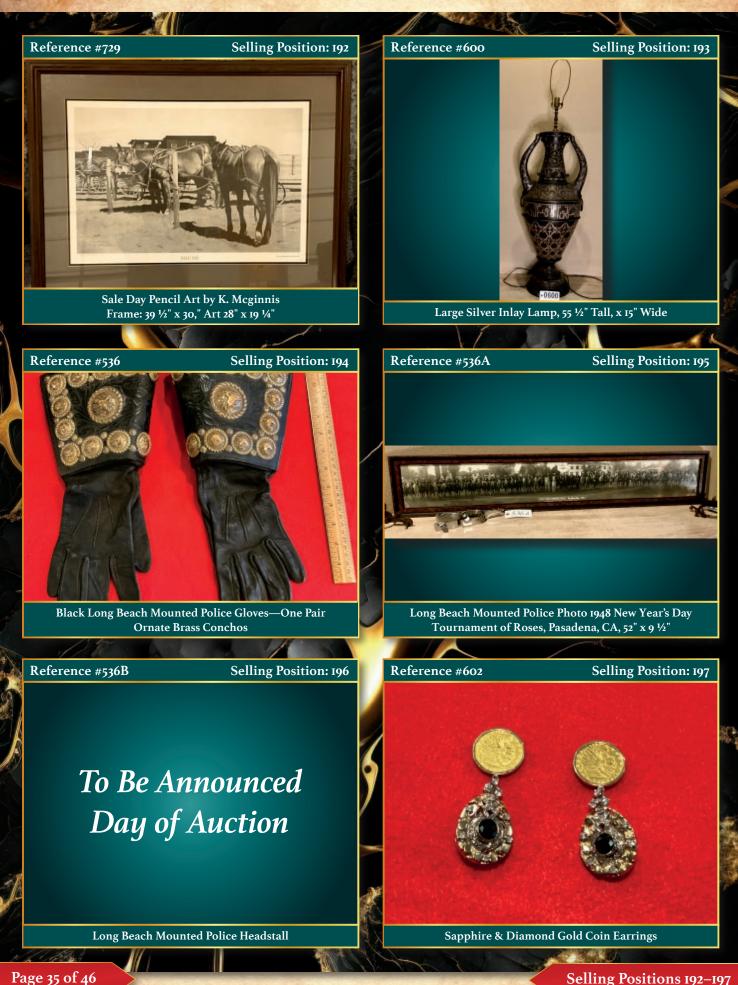




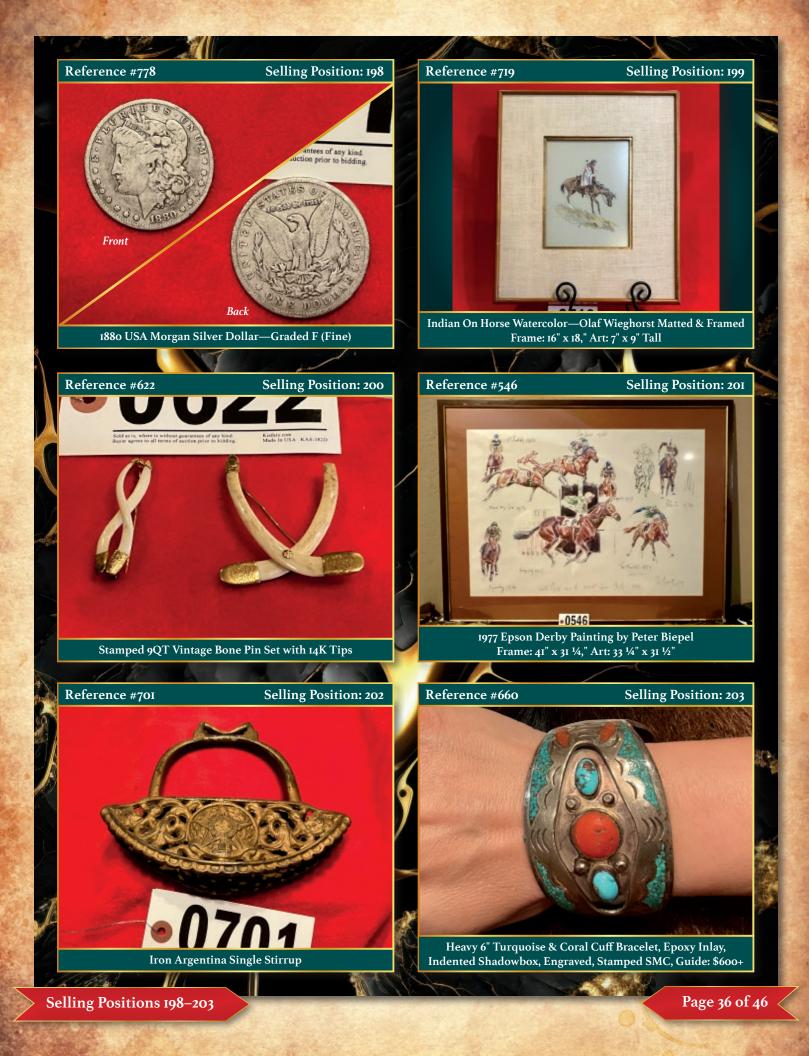






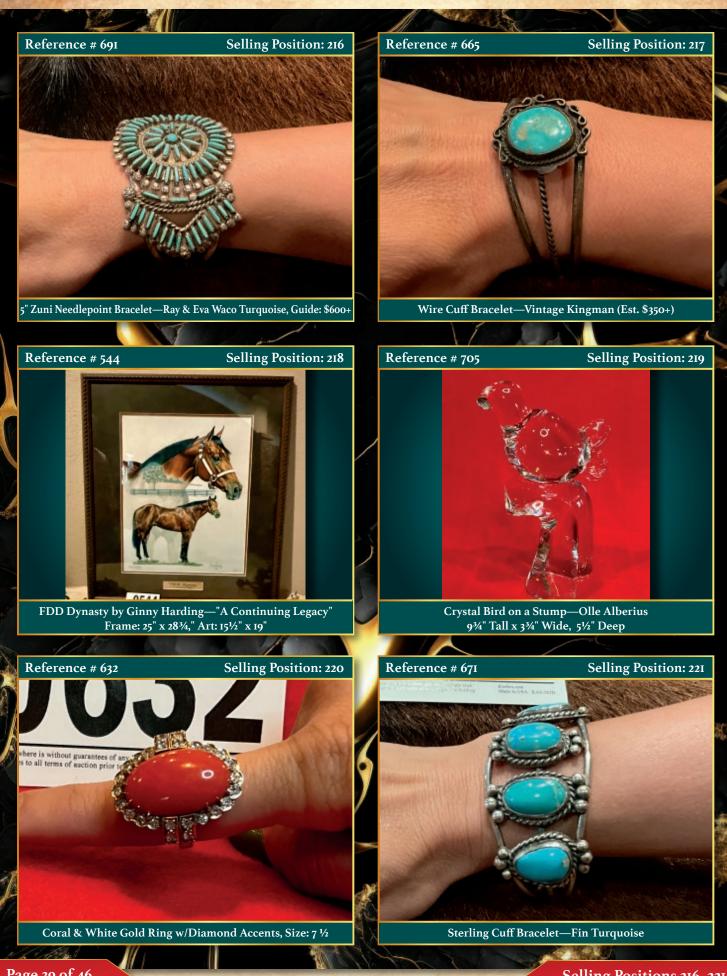


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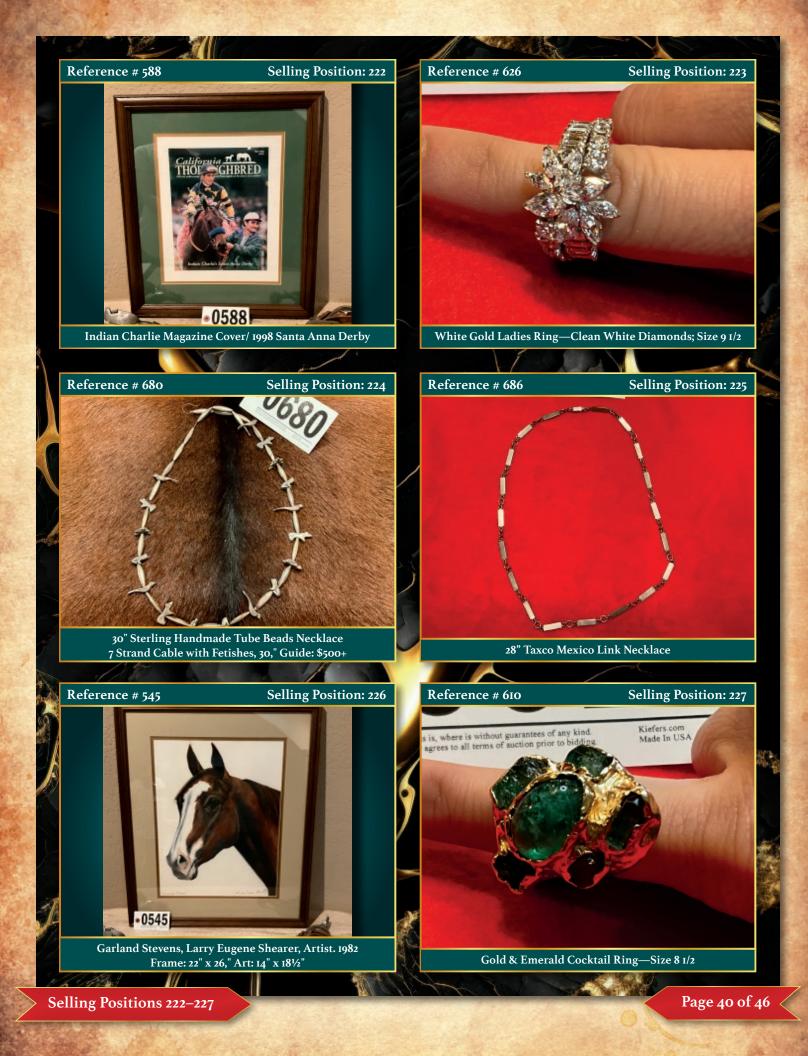




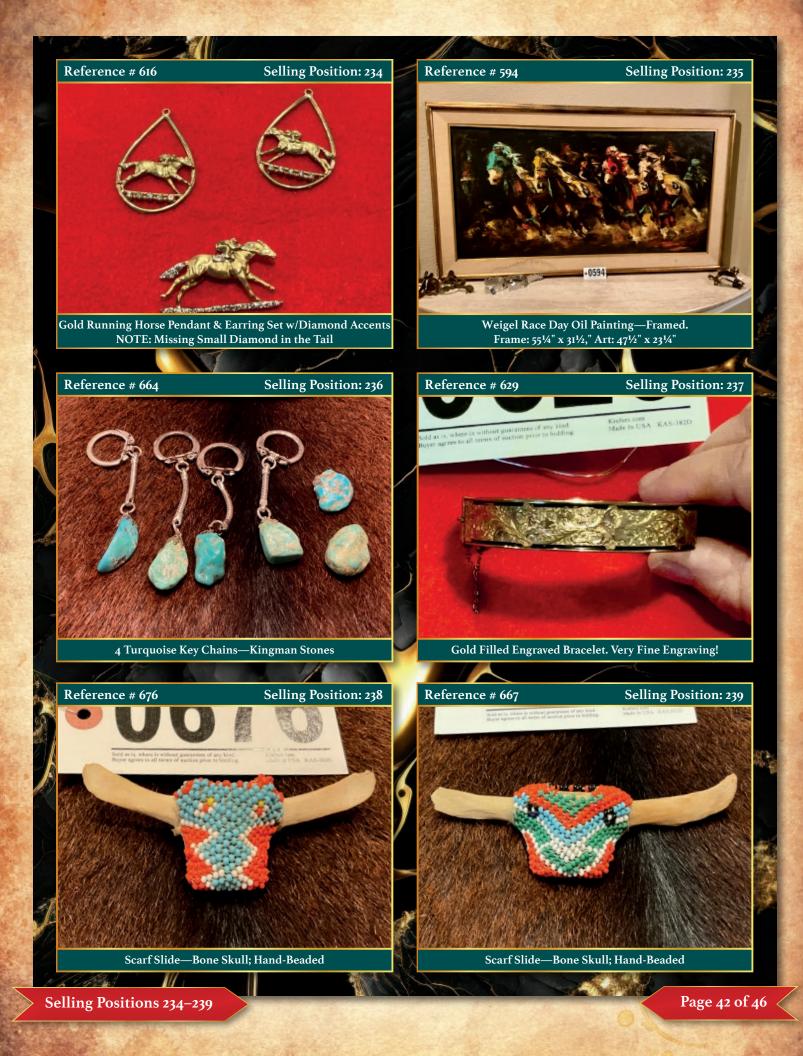


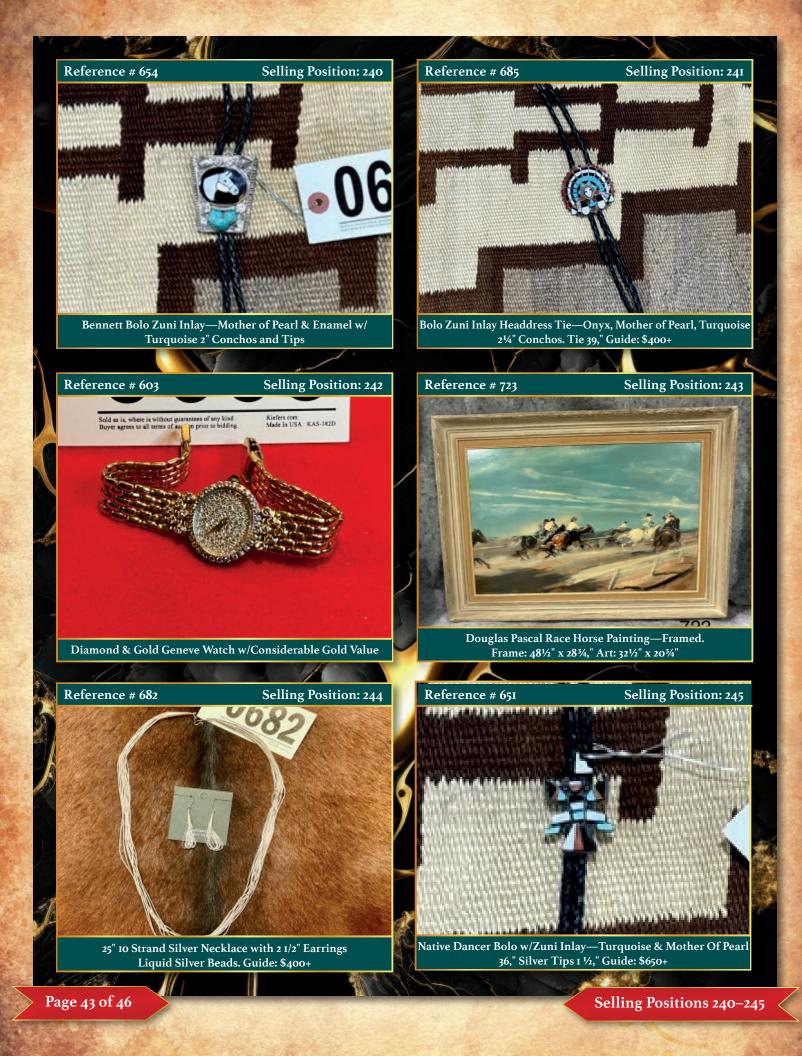
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Selling Positions 216–221















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