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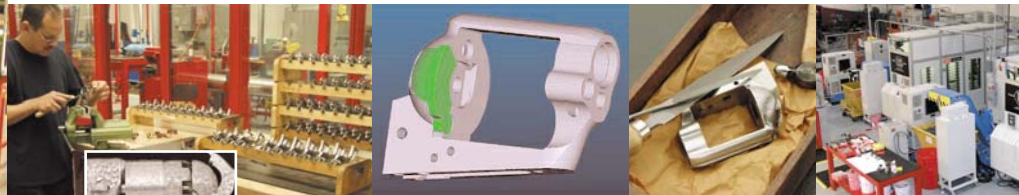
**UNITED STATES FIRE ARMS MFG. CO.**

Hartford, Connecticut, USA

## THE WORLD OF USFA



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*"Welcome to United States Fire Arms. All of our firearms are handcrafted, historically accurate re-creations that reflect the craftsmanship and quality of the firearms once made under the "Blue Dome."*

Douglas F. Donnelly  
Pres., U.S. Fire Arms Mfg. Co.

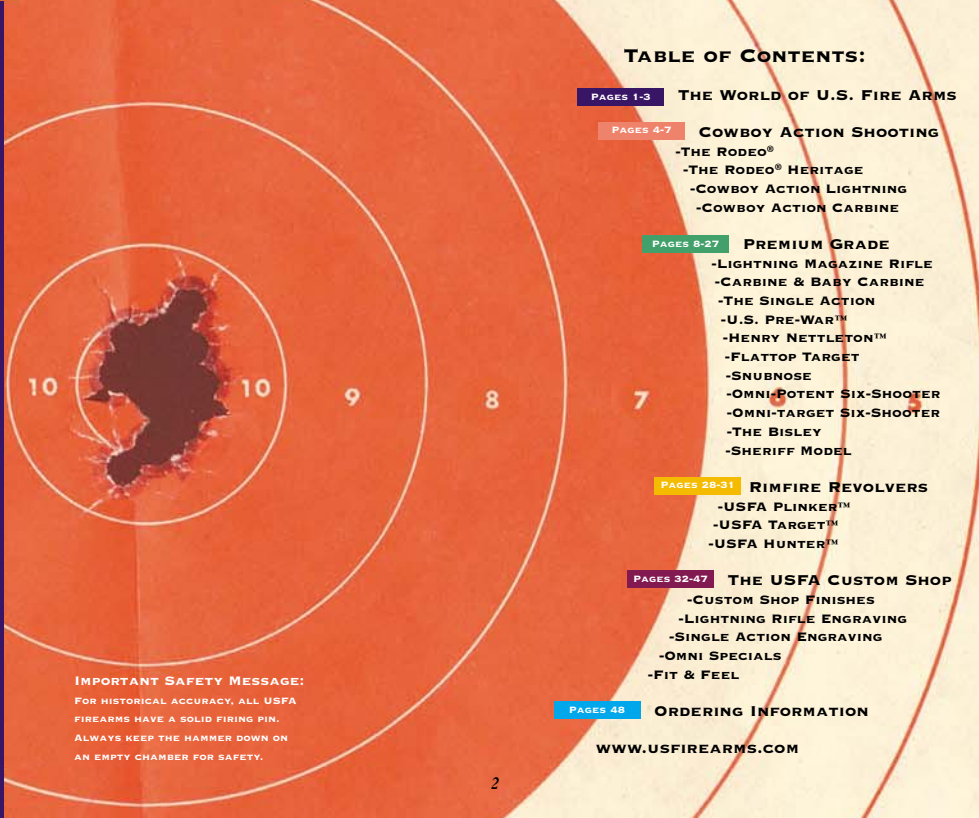
When customers tour the factory they are often struck by the simplicity of our tools. Our workers have some of the finest most complicated machines ever invented and the latest in software to power them. But Today - as it was so long ago - the real ingenuity resides in their skill as craftsmen - with their own two hands. Of course our modern CNC milling and lathe machines are highly useful, but the individual hands that work each part with such care and purpose can never be replaced by the smartest machine.

The ability to create with one's hands is fast becoming a rarity in today's world. Here, as it must have been 100 years ago, we accept

some measure of both. As we enter a new millennium we can look back and see that no matter what industry or how complicated the task, it all begins and ends with our own two hands. This combination of technology and handcraft is the foundation of USFA's focus of continuous improvement and a World Class experience for those who appreciate quality. We are the only Gun Company in Hartford and all USFA products are 100% American Made.

Enjoy your tour of The World of U.S Fire Arms. In these pages you will experience what is possible when you put real creativity and a respect for history into action.

THE NEW USFA  
MANUFACTURING  
FACILITY IN  
HARTFORD.

**IMPORTANT SAFETY MESSAGE:**

FOR HISTORICAL ACCURACY, ALL USFA FIREARMS HAVE A SOLID FIRING PIN. ALWAYS KEEP THE HAMMER DOWN ON AN EMPTY CHAMBER FOR SAFETY.

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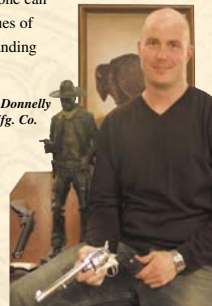


*Douglas F. Donnelly*

Today, the Myth of the Cowboy is the strongest multi-cultural force in the world. From Asia to Europe, the cowboy and his most famous Six Gun continue to give testament to those traditional values of responsibility and sacrifice; an overwhelming confidence and faith that one man alone can triumph. . . and because he does succeed, the avenues of Democracy remain open for us all with an understanding about Freedom that is uniquely American."

*Douglas F. Donnelly*  
Pres., U.S. Fire Arms Mfg. Co.

*Doug in the new factory office with two of his favorites, a 7 1/2 engraved single action and the New USFA Lightning rifle. He became one of the earliest SASS Members #2810, with the determination to continue an American legacy. Cowboy Artist, Joe Beeler's "Survivor" represents the traditional values of America*



45 COLT  
50 CENTRAL FIRE  
ALLIC REVOLVER CARTRIDGE

38 SMITH & WESSON  
180 gr. LEAD BULLET  
Manufactured Expressly for  
SMITH & WESSON'S HEAVY DUTY MILITARY POLICE &  
COLT'S NEW SERVICE REVOLVERS

44 WCF  
50 CENTRAL FIRE  
ALLIC RIFLE CARTRIDGES  
WINCHESTERS  
MODEL 1873  
ADAPTED TO  
CHESTER'S MODEL 1873 RIFLE &  
Marlin, Merwin & Hubert, Remington and Smith & Wesson Firearms  
EYENNE CRT'G. BOXES 1880 CLASSICS™  
Made in the United States of America



## RIDE INTO THE WORLD OF COWBOY ACTION SHOOTING WITH THE RODEO!

Rodeo® rides into the USFA product line to meet the demand of the SASS enthusiast. The Rodeo® is an affordable, Made in U.S.A. entry into the world of cowboy shooting, giving SASS shooters a choice of a 100% American made product instead of the imported clones so often found at the lower end of the price/quality market.

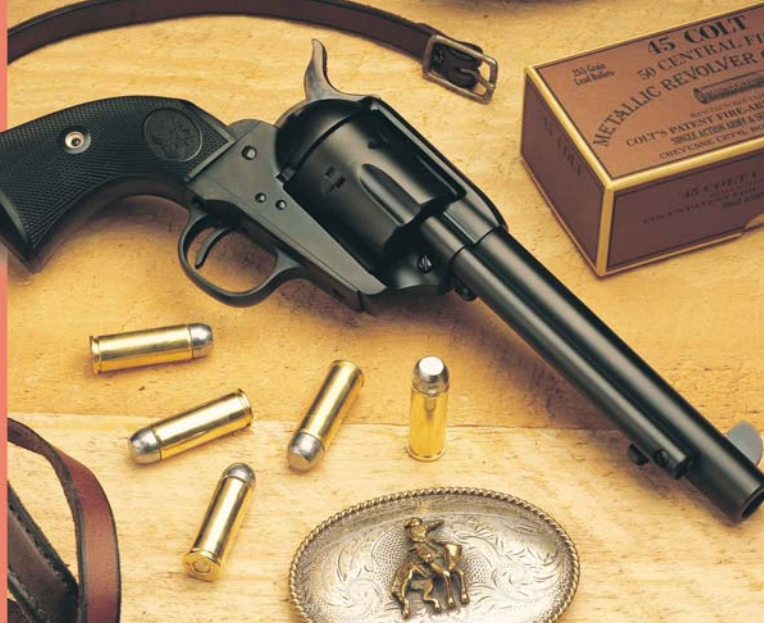
USFA builds guns up to a level of quality unsurpassed by any other maker - foreign or domestic. Using modern manufacturing techniques pioneered here at USFA, the parts we make are 100% American Made. For those just getting into the sport and looking for just the right start, it's the most historically accurate, best made example of the old Colt Single Action.



### THE SIXTH ROUND.™ OR "5 BEANS IN THE WHEEL"

*Your selection of this Fine Fire Arm demonstrates your desire to achieve the Best and Finest. Won't you please also demonstrate your good common sense by leaving your hammer down on an Empty Chamber? That's Right! Only Load 5 Bullets. And remember to Engage the Safety-Notch! After all, it's the enjoyment of shooting safely that gives all of us the chance to shoot again. As the Old Timers used to say,*

**'ONLY PUT 5 BEANS IN THE WHEEL.'** *Thanks, Partner, and Good Shooting!*



## THE COWBOY ACTION RODEO®



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The design of the Rodeo® was forged by history. It is handcrafted with our Cowboy Action Matte Blue™ a Special Glare-Reducing Finish and Bone Case hammer. The balance is perfect. Reliability, unquestioned. Experience the benefit of fully machined bar stock parts, properly tempered springs and a hand built action in that first pull of the trigger.

Rodeo's easy to acquire sight picture is yours as you sight down a wide rear notch and square front blade with our special glare-reducing finish; cowboy shooting in bright sunlight is no problem. The Cowboy Action Rodeo® available in .45 Colt, .44 WCF or .38 Special, with 4-3/4", 5-1/2" or 7-1/2" barrel. "US" hard rubber grips are standard on all base models. The Rodeo® Heritage is fitted with Tru-Ivory grips.



### RODEO® ~ SPECIFICATIONS

| CALIBERS:   | BARREL LENGTHS: |
|-------------|-----------------|
| .45 COLT    | 4-3/4"          |
| .44 WCF     | 5-1/2"          |
| .38 SPECIAL | 7-1/2"          |

FRAME STYLE: CROSS-PIN

FINISH: COWBOY ACTION MATTE BLUE™ WITH US HARD RUBBER STOCKS

SIGHTS: SQUARE NOTCH REAR, SQUARE FRONT BLADE



### RODEO® HERITAGE ~ SPECIFICATIONS

| CALIBERS:   | BARREL LENGTHS: |
|-------------|-----------------|
| .45 COLT    | 4-3/4"          |
| .44 WCF     | 5-1/2"          |
| .38 SPECIAL | 7-1/2"          |

FRAME STYLE: CROSS-PIN

FINISH: COWBOY ACTION MATTE BLUE™ WITH TRU-IVORY™

SIGHTS: SQUARE NOTCH REAR, SQUARE FRONT BLADE



WHEN "LIGHTNING STRIKES" . . .

MAKE SURE IT'S YOUR GUN BEHIND THE SCORE!

#### THE COWBOY ACTION LIGHTNING RIFLE - SPECIFICATIONS

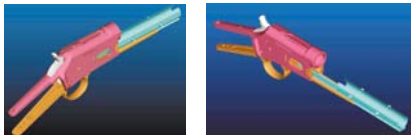
FINISH: COWBOY ACTION MATTE BLUE™ SPECIAL GLARE-REDUCING FINISH

CALIBERS: .45 COLT, .44 WCF, .38 WCF

BARREL LENGTH & STOCK STYLE: 26" ROUND, STD. CRESENT BUTT

ACTION TYPE & MAGAZINE CAPACITY: SLIDE ACTION, 15 CARTRIDGES

SIGHTS: BUCKHORN REAR, BLADE FRONT



COWBOY ACTION LIGHTNING RIFLE & CARBINE SUPPLIED WITH STANDARD GRADE AMERICAN WALNUT STOCK AND FOREND.

FOR UPGRADED WOOD AND A FULL LINE OF OPTIONAL EXTRAS PLEASE GO TO USFA PREMIUM GRADES SECTION.



#### THE COWBOY ACTION CARBINE - SPECIFICATIONS

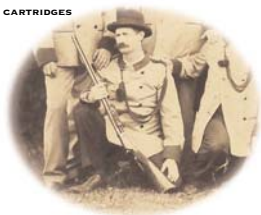
FINISH: COWBOY ACTION MATTE BLUE™ SPECIAL GLARE-REDUCING FINISH

CALIBERS: .45 COLT, .44 WCF, .38 WCF

BARREL LENGTH & STOCK STYLE: 20" ROUND, STD. CARBINE BUTT

ACTION TYPE & MAGAZINE CAPACITY: SLIDE ACTION, 12 CARTRIDGES

SIGHTS: FOLDING CARBINE REAR, POST FRONT



#### SAFETY MESSAGE & PRODUCTION NOTE:

The USFA Lightning follows the same manufacturing details as the Original Colt Lightning once made "Under the Dome" here in Hartford. Slam-Firing (Squeezing the trigger while functioning the slide to fire the gun) was thought of as a positive feature and was advertised by Colt 100 years ago. It is not recommended, or warranted for safety reasons. Please practice good gun handling skills and common sense when handling any firearm.

## THE COWBOY ACTION LIGHTNING



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Cowboy shooters know that when seconds count you look for speed and accuracy in every shot. The Cowboy Action Lightning Rifle™ is built for this purpose. The most striking feature about the Lightning is the slide or pump mechanism. Many rifles of the Old West were lever action.

This means the "Anchor Arm"

breaks its hold in order to function the lever to work the action. The result is that the 'anchor arm' causes the shooter to lose the critical barrel/target relationship. This unique benefit of the Lightning rifle is the ability of the shooter to never lose that critical "anchor arm" (regardless of whether you are right or left handed) and remain focused and ready on your target. When "Second Place is not an Option" ... put your Score on the board with the Lightning .

USFA uses the latest in modern Computer Aided Design / Computer Aided Manufacturing to reverse engineer and make new parts for our products. Having the right 'tools' is important

but having the right skills and a good pair of hands is what makes USFA products better. 100% Made in America. Why buy anything else?



**USFA PREMIUM GRADES. THE NAME SAYS IT ALL.**



**USFA uses the latest in ergonomic work design - a benefit to our highly skilled employees making consistent top quality product every time.**

## PREMIUM GRADES



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Attention to every detail. . . For those who demand only the finest in their shooting lives. The experienced sportsman and collector appreciate details of construction and the steps necessary to produce the most historic, most authentic revolvers and rifles today.

Every gun is an original piece of work based on a traditional design. The use of high-grade steel together with the most advanced machine tools result in closer tolerances, hence a better fit. All components are produced in the Hartford facility, then hand-assembled and finished.

The integration of technical and human resources results in something more than a mere reproduction or high quality replica. Each gun is an original piece of work based on a traditional design. Equally important, the gun is more reliable and far more accurate than its historical predecessor.

USFA Premium Grade Lightning Rifles and Single Action Revolvers are next on your tour.



This strange object, at left, is a pallet - part of USFA's automated work holding technique. It weighs in excess of 500 lbs. More than 70 of these are processed each day. USFA's Milling, Lathe & EDM Departments are the cornerstone of our 100% American made products.

USFA is known the world over for its quality approach in every aspect of gun building. Handwork is no exception. Although fine machining is critical - the handwork process can "make or break" a product's life. No corners are cut in our effort to deliver quality in each product we make.



BACK AFTER 100 YEARS . . .  
NOW YOU CAN HUNT THE BUFFALO.

## THE LIGHTNING MAGAZINE RIFLE



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### PREMIUM GRADE LIGHTNING MAGAZINE RIFLES ~ SPECIFICATIONS

| CALIBER: | BARREL STYLE: | STOCK-STYLE:                    | STANDARD FINISH:   |
|----------|---------------|---------------------------------|--|
| .45 COLT | OCTAGONAL 26" | STANDARD CRESCENT BUTT & FOREND | HIGH POLISH DOME BLUE FRAME - CHECKERED FOREND -OIL FINISH |
| .44 WCF  | ROUND 26"     | STOCK-WOOD:                     | HAND POLISHED DOME BLUE BARREL                             |
| .38 WCF  |               | STANDARD GRADE AMERICAN WALNUT  |  |

### LIGHTNING MAGAZINE RIFLE OPTIONS

- HALF ROUND 26", FULL NICKEL OR NICKEL FRAME AND DOME BLUE BARREL\*
- IVORY FOREND: SMOOTH OR CHECKERED
- DELUXE GRADE WALNUT: OIL OR TRU-OIL™ FINISH
- EXHIBITION GRADE WALNUT: OIL OR TRU-OIL™ FINISH (DELUXE GRADE ONLY.)
- PISTOL GRIP CRESCENT BUTT: OIL OR TRU-OIL™ FINISH
- STRAIGHT GRIP SHOTGUN BUTT: OIL OR TRU-OIL™ FINISH
- "PRINCE OF WALES" ROUND KNOB SHOTGUN BUTT: OIL OR TRU-OIL™ FINISH\*\*



EXHIBITION WALNUT SHOTGUN BUTT



DELUXE GRADE WALNUT STOCK SHOWN



FANCY GRADE WALNUT (STANDARD ON DELUXE LIGHTNING)



EXHIBITION GRADE WALNUT



*In the picture at left a Lightning Rifle is being worked at the rifle benches. Hand filing of frames, barrels and stocks all done by a skilled hand. Achieving the right final contours, smooth actions, and finishes are the hallmark of USFA Premium Grades.*



*Like the original, our Premium Grade Lightning is available with a 26" Octagonal, or Round barrel. Upgrade to a Half-round barrel and choose a Standard Crescent Butt or Upgrade to a Deluxe Grade Lightning (shown at left) with Deluxe Pistol Grip Stock in Armory Blue™ Finish. A High Polish Dome Blue™ with hand-polished blue barrel is the standard finish but a variety of options are available. See USFA Pricing guide for details.*

Produced from 1884 to 1904, the Medium Frame Lightning Magazine Rifle was a dramatic innovation in breach loading firearms. A remarkably short action stroke, compact size, made the Lightning Magazine Rifle a success on the frontier.

In the 21st century USFA integrates advances in metallurgy, the precision of CNC machining and the craftsmanship of hand assembly to produce the Lightning today.

\*See USFA Price Guide for more Optional Upgrades.  
\*\*See page 38 for this option on the Deluxe Lightning.

## THE LATEST IN OFF-ROAD TECHNOLOGY.

## THE LIGHTNING MAGAZINE CARBINE



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### PREMIUM GRADE LIGHTNING CARBINE - SPECIFICATIONS

FINISH: HIGH POLISH DOME BLUE FRAME, HAND POLISHED DOME BLUE BARREL

CALIBERS: .45 COLT, .44 WCF, .38 WCF

BARREL LENGTH: 20" ROUND

STOCK STYLE: STANDARD GRADE AMERICAN WALNUT CARBINE BUTT - OIL FINISH

FOREND: STANDARD CARBINE FOREND -CHECKERED

ACTION TYPE & MAGAZINE CAPACITY: SLIDE ACTION, 12 CARTRIDGES

SIGHTS: FOLDING CARBINE REAR, POST FRONT

OPTIONAL EXTRA: FULL NICKEL OR NICKEL FRAME AND BLUE BARREL

OPTIONAL UPGRADES :

IVORY FOREND -SMOOTH OR CHECKERED  
ENGRAVING & FANCY GOLD & NICKEL PLATING  
FANCY GRADE WALNUT - OIL OR TRU-OIL™

### SPECIAL BABY CARBINE - SPECIFICATIONS

FINISH: HIGH POLISH DOME BLUE FRAME, HAND POLISHED DOME BLUE BARREL

CALIBERS: .45 COLT, .44 WCF, .38 WCF

BARREL LENGTH: 20" SPECIAL ROUND TAPER

STOCK STYLE: STANDARD GRADE AMERICAN WALNUT CARBINE BUTT - OIL FINISH

FOREND: LIGHTWEIGHT CARBINE FOREND -WITH BORDER LINE

ACTION TYPE & MAGAZINE CAPACITY: SLIDE ACTION, 12 CARTRIDGES

SIGHTS: FOLDING CARBINE REAR, POST FRONT

OPTIONAL EXTRA : FULL NICKEL OR NICKEL FRAME AND BLUE BARREL

OPTIONAL UPGRADES :

IVORY FOREND -SMOOTH OR CHECKERED  
ENGRAVING & FANCY GOLD & NICKEL PLATING  
EXHIBITION GRADE WALNUT - OIL OR TRU-OIL™ FINISH



The Premium Grade Lightning Carbine and Special Baby Carbine. Made with the shorter 20 inch barrel, the Lightning Carbines are easily packed into a hunting camp, on trail rides on horseback or out in the Florida mangroves.

Loading the Lightning with your favorite cartridge is safe and easy too. The Lightning loads with action open for safety - *no loaded chamber*. After loading, the rifle is then charged by racking the slide and bringing one cartridge up from the seamless magazine tube under the barrel. The Rifle is ready to fire. Practice Safe Gun Handling Skills.

The Special Baby Carbine is a Lightweight version of the Standard Carbine. A lightweight forend and special taper barrel make the Baby Carbine a sought after model in historic terms and a quick lightweight rifle for today's Sportsman.

Perfect for Boar Hunting or Florida Gators. The short stroke action with light weight and knockdown power of 12 of your favorite 44 rounds . . . Now were talking *Off - the - Map*.

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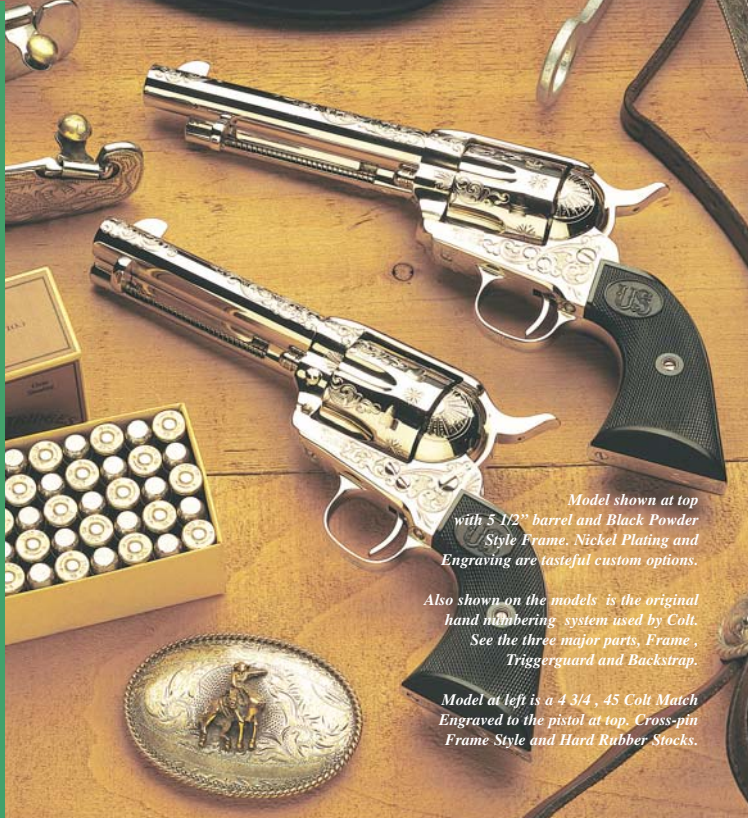
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## WILLIAM B. MASON WAS THE INVENTOR OF COLT'S SINGLE ACTION

This amazing fact was found in the archive "under the Blue Dome" in Patent # 158,957. USFA maintains the Douglas F. Donnelly collection, the largest Colt Archive of original documents which contain the original Ledger Books of the Founding of Sam Colt's company in 1855. The entire Civil War history including shipments to the U.S. Government, detailed production history and a manufacturing and engineering archive allows us to look back into history.

USFA is the only gunmaker in Hartford. We made a commitment to build fire arms "under the Blue Dome" in Colt's original factory. That commitment carries through in our effort to continue to produce here in Hartford - the best, most genuine, most historically accurate fire arms in the world.



*Model shown at top with 5 1/2" barrel and Black Powder Style Frame. Nickel Plating and Engraving are tasteful custom options.*

*Also shown on the models is the original hand numbering system used by Colt. See the three major parts, Frame, Triggerguard and Backstrap.*

*Model at left is a 4 3/4", .45 Colt Match Engraved to the pistol at top. Cross-pin Frame Style and Hard Rubber Stocks.*

## THE SINGLE ACTION REVOLVER



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We build each Single Action to your specifications. Choose from seven calibers. Three barrel lengths - 4-3/4", 5-1/2", 7-1/2" - with ejector. For Sheriff Models made with Special Ejectorless Frames please see page 27.

The Single Action features an Old Army Bone Case™ and Dome Blue™ finish. A wide choice of grips are available. "US" hard rubber grips standard. (See page 47 for grips)



*Model shown with 5 1/2" barrel and Black Powder Style Frame. This is the original frame style made from 1873 to 1892. After 1892 Colt's used a Transverse Latch or "Cross-Pin" to secure the Cylinder Pin as shown below. This change occurred around Serial Number 144000.*

### THE SINGLE ACTION ~ SPECIFICATIONS

| CALIBER:   | BARREL LENGTH:     |
|--|--------------------|
| .45 COLT   | 4-3/4"             |
| .45 ACP (CYLINDER)                                     | 5-1/2"             |
| .44 SPECIAL  | 7-1/2"             |
| .44 WCF  |                    |
| .44 COLT (SEE US PRE-WAR™)                             |                    |
| .41 COLT (SEE US PRE-WAR™)                             |                    |
| .38 SPECIAL  |                    |
| .38 WCF  |                    |
| .32 WCF  |                    |
| .22 L.R. / .22 MAG. (SEE USFA PLINKER™ & USFA TARGET™) |                    |
| .17 HMR  | (SEE USFA HUNTER™) |



*Model shown with 7 1/2" barrel and Cross-Pin Style Frame. This is the style from 1892 to 1941. For ease of removal of the cylinder pin without tools.*

*Note correct period cylinder bevels and large high sweep of the hand checkered hammer. Rare models were known to have been ordered with long fluted cylinder.*

### THE SINGLE ACTION ~ SPECIFICATIONS

**FRAME STYLE: CROSS-PIN OR BLACK POWDER FRAME (SCREW HOLDS CYLINDER PIN)**

**STOCKS: US HARD RUBBER**

**SIGHTS: SQUARE NOTCH REAR, SQUARE FRONT BLADE**

**FINISH: OLD ARMY BONE CASE™ & DOME BLUE™**

**OPTIONAL EXTRAS INCLUDE: ENGRAVING FANCY GOLD & NICKEL PLATING OR TRU-IVORY™ STOCKS**

*See the USFA Pricing Guide for a complete list of details.*

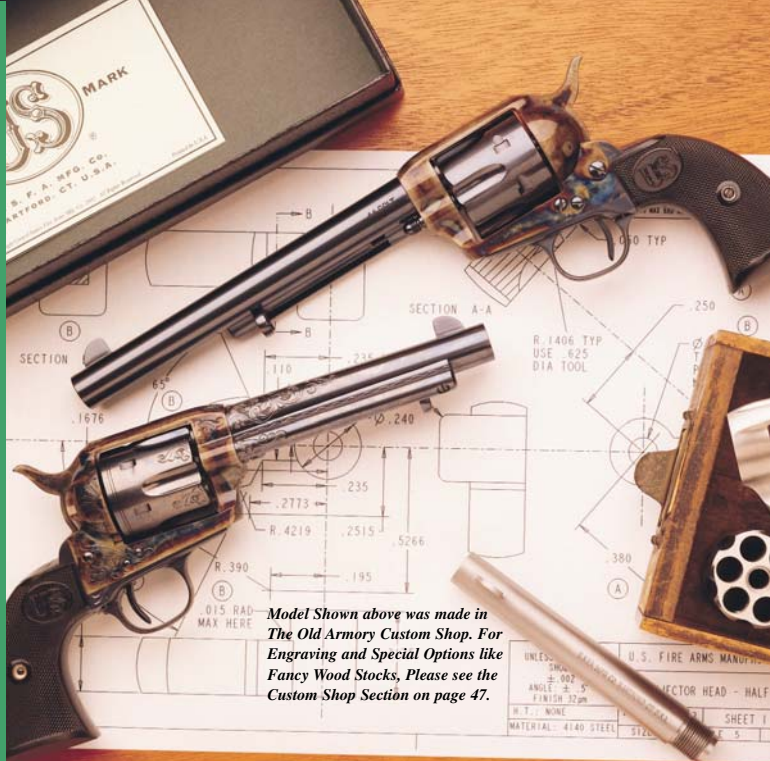
*For a Choice of Blackpowder frame and "V" Notch Sights see the US Pre-War™*

## WERE YOU BORN 100 YEARS TOO LATE?

The US Pre-War™ re-creates guns built at Colt's Armory between 1873-1941 before WWI. This is the end of 1st Generation Production "under the blue Dome," the last serial number was 357,859.

USFA brings back to life some forgotten knowledge that makes the US Pre-War™ the Best of the Best. With certain options you can re-create an original gun from history or your personal collection - even down to the serial number as many of our customers have done. Retire your old Colt and commission USFA to build a replacement. A Historical Letter is available to document your gun.

Rest assured that every effort will be used in our full capacity to provide you with the best, most historic experience possible for you and your fine gun.



*Model Shown above was made in The Old Armory Custom Shop. For Engraving and Special Options like Fancy Wood Stocks, Please see the Custom Shop Section on page 47.*

## THE US PRE-WAR



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The US Pre-War™ offers an Old Army Bone Case™ and Armory Blue™ finish, re-creating the classic gun made at the Colt Armory during 1st Generation production. The US Pre-War features the correct use of assembly number in hidden places and an original serial number from 1st Generation production. You can choose to replicate an original SAA in your collection! Original Colt SAA caliber offerings and unique polish techniques recreated by USFA to build these fine heirlooms showcase the work of our Armory Workmen.



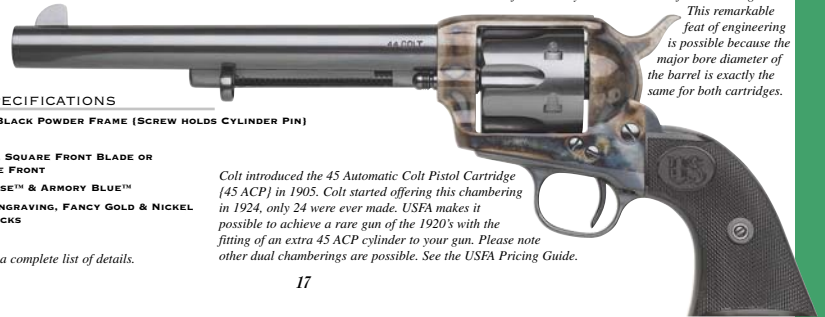
*Model shown above with 7 1/2" barrel and Black Powder Frame Option. The selection of this frame style means that a "Bulls Eye" Ejector Rod is historically correct for this model.*

### US PRE-WAR™ ~ SPECIFICATIONS

| CALIBER:   | BARREL LENGTH:     |
|--|--------------------|
| .45 COLT   | 4-3/4"             |
| .45 ACP (CYLINDER)                                     | 5-1/2"             |
| .44 SPECIAL  | 7-1/2"             |
| .44 WCF  |                    |
| .44 COLT   |                    |
| .41 COLT   |                    |
| .38 SPECIAL  |                    |
| .32 WCF  |                    |
| .22 L.R. / .22 MAG. (SEE USFA PLINKER™ & USFA TARGET™) |                    |
| .17 HMR  | (SEE USFA HUNTER™) |

*A rare model by collectors standards, the US Pre-War™ can be made more rare with the inclusion of an extra cylinder chambered for the same gun.*

*This remarkable feat of engineering is possible because the major bore diameter of the barrel is exactly the same for both cartridges.*



*Colt introduced the 45 Automatic Colt Pistol Cartridge [45 ACP] in 1905. Colt started offering this chambering in 1924, only 24 were ever made. USFA makes it possible to achieve a rare gun of the 1920's with the fitting of an extra 45 ACP cylinder to your gun. Please note other dual chamberings are possible. See the USFA Pricing Guide.*

### US PRE-WAR™ ~ SPECIFICATIONS

FRAME STYLE: CROSS-PIN OR BLACK POWDER FRAME (SCREW HOLDS CYLINDER PIN)

STOCKS: US HARD RUBBER

SIGHTS: SQUARE NOTCH REAR, SQUARE FRONT BLADE OR 'V' NOTCH REAR WITH BLADE FRONT

FINISH: OLD ARMY BONE CASE™ & ARMY BLUE™

OPTIONAL EXTRAS INCLUDE: ENGRAVING, FANCY GOLD & NICKEL PLATING, IVORY OR PEARL STOCKS

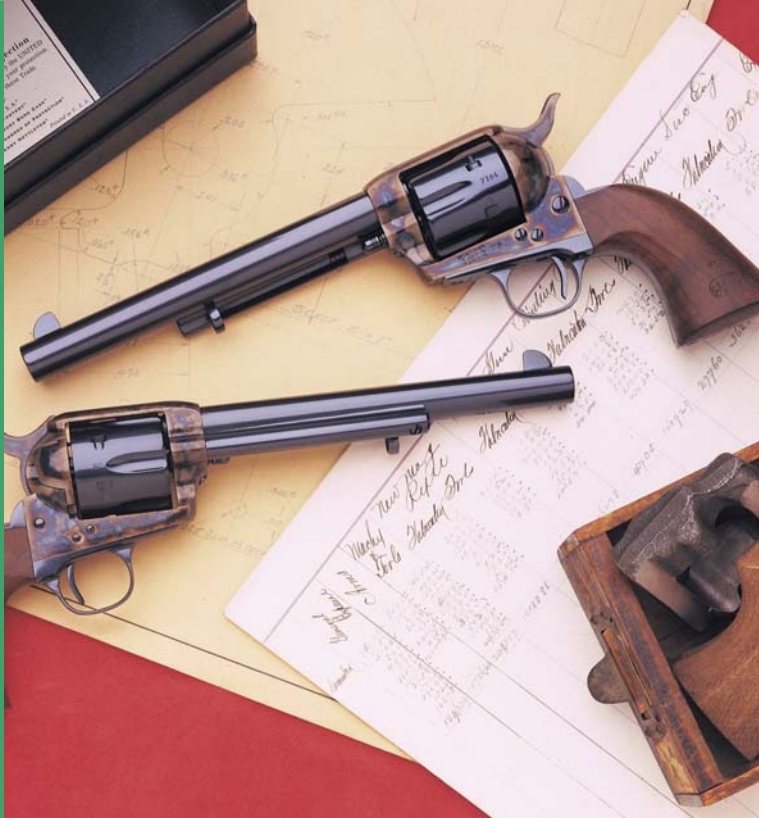
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## CALL IN THE CAVALRY. . .

The Henry Nettleton (H.N.) was a U.S. Government Inspector of small arms produced for the Springfield Armory founded by George Washington in Mass. Henry Nettleton received his commission as Inspector in Springfield, June 6, 1878. The Nettletons comprise the most sought after examples of U.S. marked guns today. We are proud to offer a replica of these exact serial number guns [47056 - 51083] for the experienced shooter and collector. These specific arms have exact Cartouche branding and all correct Inspector Handstamp markings, beveled cylinders & finishes.

Frames are Black Powder variation with 'V' notch and blade front sight as historically correct. Our engineers and production people have handled enough period pieces to get the details right. Our Henry Nettleton™ Cavalry Revolver would indeed "Pass Inspection" at Springfield Armory today!



## THE HENRY NETTLETON



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**AN OLD ARMY ORIGINAL. A NUMBERED SERIES FOLLOWING THE ORIGINAL U.S. GOVERNMENT INSPECTOR SERIES.**  
 [LIMITED TO SERIAL NUMBERS 47056 THROUGH 51083.]

The Henry Nettleton™ Cavalry Revolver is an exact recreation of the model inspected by Henry Nettleton, U.S. Government inspector of small arms, in 1878. The Nettleton features the exact cartouche branding and hand-stamped markings as the original. Available only in historically correct "US Government Cartridge"- .45 Colt- with one-piece walnut grips.

The USFA Henry Nettleton is an exact number for number re-creation of the original, using exact old style hand

numbering. These revolvers feature our Old Army Bone Case™ Hardened Frame, Gate & Hammer. Artillery Model has 5 1/2" barrel. A special historically correct Army Blue™ (Military Polish) will be used on all other parts. This is not our standard Salt Bath Finish - Dome Blue,™ Army Blue™ is a Genuine pre-1900 finish and is accomplished through the use of sterile parts heated in a forge. Although more costly, Army Blue™ provides that absolutely correct and durable blue. Also available in Full Nickel Plate with U.S. Government Markings.

### HENRY NETTLETON™ CAVALRY REVOLVER ~ SPECIFICATIONS

|                             |                                 |  |  |
|-----------------------------|---------------------------------|--|--|
| <b>CALIBER:</b><br>.45 COLT | <b>BARREL LENGTH:</b><br>7-1/2" | <b>FINISH:</b><br>ORIGINAL ARMY BONE CASE™<br>ARMORY BLUE™ (MILITARY POLISH) | <b>OPTIONAL FINISH:</b><br>NICKEL PLATED |
|-----------------------------|---------------------------------|--|--|

**STOCKS:** ONE PIECE WALNUT -OIL FINISH

**SPECIAL FEATURES:**

US GOVERNMENT CARTOUCHE AND MARKINGS  
 ORIGINAL PRODUCTION HAND STAMPED SERIAL NUMBER

### HENRY NETTLETON™ ARTILLERY REVOLVER ~ SPECIFICATIONS

|                             |                                 |  |  |
|-----------------------------|---------------------------------|--|--|
| <b>CALIBER:</b><br>.45 COLT | <b>BARREL LENGTH:</b><br>5-1/2" | <b>FINISH:</b><br>ORIGINAL OLD ARMY BONE CASE™<br>ARMORY BLUE™ (MILITARY POLISH) | <b>OPTIONAL FINISH:</b><br>NICKEL PLATED |
|-----------------------------|---------------------------------|--|--|

**STOCKS:** ONE PIECE WALNUT -OIL FINISH

**SPECIAL FEATURES:**

US GOVERNMENT CARTOUCHE AND MARKINGS  
 ORIGINAL PRODUCTION HAND STAMPED SERIAL NUMBER

*Henry Nettleton*  
 Principal Sub-Inspector, in charge.





**TOTAL  
ORIGINAL  
PRODUCTION  
ONLY 925 . . .**

Production began May 24, 1888. Beginning with Serial Number 126,530 and ending in 1925 at number 351,425. The serial numbers ran concurrently within the Single Action production range. First appearing in the Colt catalog of 1890, the Flattop Target is a rare gun in any caliber. With a total original production of only 925, it remains a collector's dream.

USFA makes possible a dream for today's collector and target shooter: the classic lines of the Single Action with the adjustability of target sights in rare calibers such as 44 Special, of which our records show only 1 was ever made. Experience these truly one-of-a-kind masterpieces of the shooting craft. For even more fun see the even more rare .22 Rimfire Target SA's on pg 31



**THE FLATTOP TARGET MODEL**



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**MADE FAMOUS IN 1888.**



*As shown in the picture above Dome Blue™ & Bone Case Hammer - Our Premium Grade Finish. Blue Hammer with Polished sides also correct. These Guns can be finished in Armory Blue™ & Fire Blue Appointments, as the photo on left illustrates. Rare to be delivered in Silver or Gold Plate.*

**FLATTOP TARGET ~ SPECIFICATIONS**

|                    |                       |
|--------------------|-----------------------|
| <b>CALIBER:</b>    | <b>BARREL LENGTH:</b> |
| .45 COLT           | 4-3/4"                |
| .45 ACP (CYLINDER) | 5-1/2"                |
| .44 SPECIAL        | 7-1/2"                |
| .44 WCF            |                       |
| .38 SPECIAL        |                       |
| .38 WCF            |                       |
| .32 WCF            |                       |

**FRAME STYLE: CROSS-PIN, SPECIAL TARGET FRAME**

**STOCKS: US HARD RUBBER**

**SIGHTS: ADJUSTABLE REAR, REPLACEABLE FRONT BLADE**

**FINISH: DOME BLUE™ & BONE CASE™ HAMMER**

**OPTIONAL UP-GRADE: ARMORY BLUE™ & FIRE BLUE APPOINTMENTS.**

**OPTIONAL EXTRAS INCLUDE: FANCY WALNUT - SMOOTH OR CHECKERED**

**ENGRAVING: FANCY GOLD & NICKEL PLATING, IVORY, PEARL OR TRU-IVORY™ STOCKS**



The USFA Flattop Target Model is an exact re-creation of the historic Colt Flattop introduced in 1888. Our model features an adjustable rear sight and blade front sight. Inset shows an optional up-graded finish - Old Armory Bone Case and Armory Blue with rare long flute cylinder.



See the USFA Pricing Guide for a complete list of details.

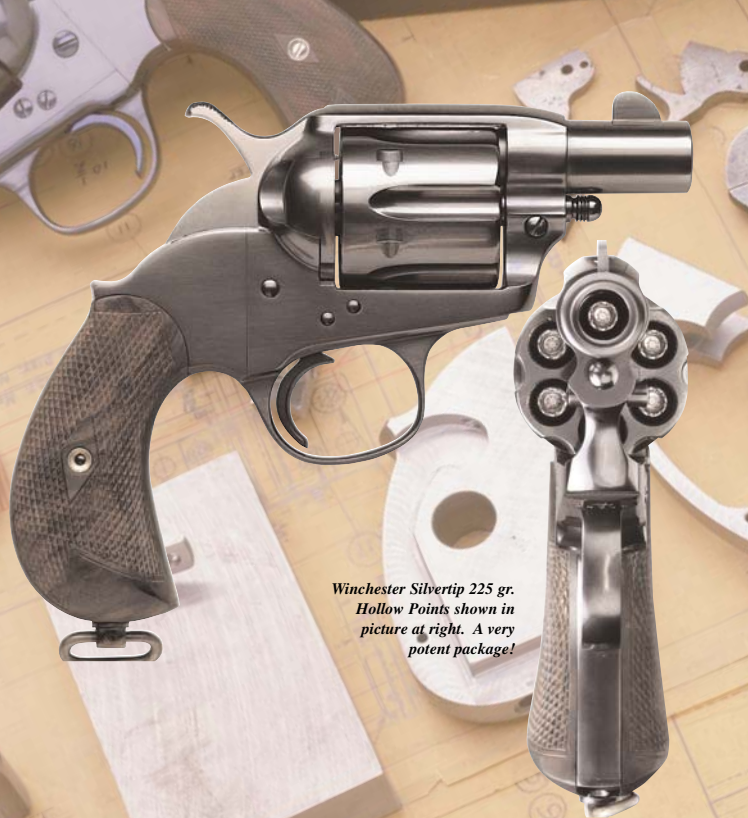
## THE SNUBNOSE™

Patented design by USFA, the Snubnose is classic in style yet has true stopping power in a small package.

The Snubnose™ is based on the big frame guns of the early Twenties - Chicago Style - the Snubnose feels great in the hand and better on the hip!

The Snubnose is a large frame revolver built with a wide trigger and is available with 2, 3, or 4 inch barrels in a variety of calibers. A lanyard loop is a classic standard feature of this model.

The Snubnose is crafted from solid steel and its weight is perfectly balanced in the hand. A single action type mechanism is operated by the high spur hammer.



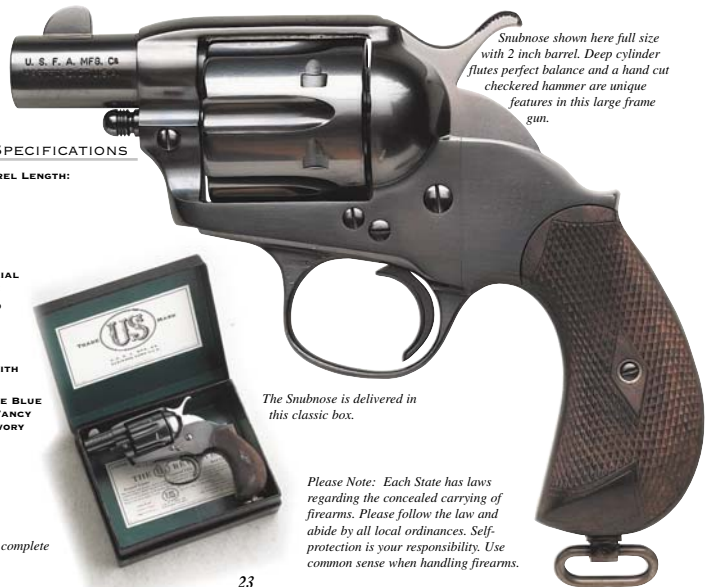
*Winchester Silvertip 225 gr.  
Hollow Points shown in  
picture at right. A very  
potent package!*

## THE SNUBNOSE



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### POWER IN YOUR POCKET! PATENTED DESIGN



*Snubnose shown here full size  
with 2 inch barrel. Deep cylinder  
flutes perfect balance and a hand cut  
checkered hammer are unique  
features in this large frame  
gun.*

#### THE SNUBNOSE™ ~ SPECIFICATIONS

|  |                       |
|--|-----------------------|
| <b>CALIBER:</b>  | <b>BARREL LENGTH:</b> |
| .45 COLT   | 2"                    |
| .45 ACP (CYLINDER)   | 3"                    |
| .44 SPECIAL  | 4"                    |
| .44 WCF  |                       |
| .38 SPECIAL  |                       |
| .38 WCF  |                       |
| <b>FRAME STYLE: CROSS-PIN, SPECIAL<br/>SNUBNOSE EJECTORLESS FRAME</b>  |                       |
| <b>STOCKS: TWO PIECE CHECKERED<br/>WALNUT</b>  |                       |
| <b>SIGHTS: SQUARE NOTCH,<br/>BLADE FRONT</b>   |                       |
| <b>FINISH: FULL ARMOY BLUE™ WITH<br/>HIGH SPUR HAMMER</b>  |                       |
| <b>OPTIONAL EXTRAS INCLUDE: FIRE BLUE<br/>APPOINTMENTS, ENGRAVING: FANCY<br/>GOLD &amp; NICKEL PLATING OR IVORY<br/>STOCKS</b> |                       |

*The Snubnose is delivered in  
this classic box.*

*Please Note: Each State has laws  
regarding the concealed carrying of  
firearms. Please follow the law and  
abide by all local ordinances. Self-  
protection is your responsibility. Use  
common sense when handling firearms.*

*See the USFA Pricing Guide for a complete  
list of details.*



Omni-Potent Six-Shooter model shown with 7 1/2 barrel in full nickel finish. Fancy Walnut Checkered Stocks.

Model shown below with 5-1/2" barrel and standard long flute cylinder. Old Armory Bone Case & Armory Blue finish. Special Omni-Target Frame & Sights.

#### OMNI-POTENT SIX-SHOOTER™ ~ SPECIFICATIONS

| CALIBER:           | BARREL LENGTH: |
|--------------------|----------------|
| .45 COLT           | 4-3/4"         |
| .45 ACP (CYLINDER) | 5-1/2"         |
| .44 SPECIAL        | 7-1/2"         |
| .44 WCF            |                |
| .38 SPECIAL        |                |
| .38 WCF            |                |
| .32 WCF            |                |

FRAME STYLE: CROSS-PIN, SPECIAL OMNI-POTENT FRAME

STOCKS: TWO PIECE CHECKERED WALNUT

SIGHTS: SQUARE NOTCH, BLADE FRONT

FINISH: OLD ARMORY BONE CASE™ & ARMORY BLUE™

SPECIAL: LONG FLUTES STANDARD ON ALL OMNI-SERIES GUNS.

OPTIONAL EXTRAS INCLUDE: ENGRAVING, FANCY GOLD & NICKEL PLATING, IVORY OR PEARL STOCKS



Centerline of barrel

Centerline of cylinder

Hand located on parallel axis of recoil



#### OMNI-TARGET SIX-SHOOTER™ ~ SPECIFICATIONS

FRAME STYLE: CROSS-PIN, SPECIAL OMNI-TARGET FRAME

STOCKS: TWO PIECE CHECKERED WALNUT

SIGHTS: ADJUSTABLE REAR, REPLACEABLE FRONT BLADE

FINISH: OLD ARMORY BONE CASE™ & ARMORY BLUE™

SPECIAL: LONG FLUTES STANDARD ON ALL OMNI-SERIES GUNS.

OPTIONAL EXTRAS INCLUDE: ENGRAVING, FANCY GOLD & NICKEL PLATING, IVORY OR PEARL STOCKS



## THE OMNI-POTENT SIX-SHOOTER



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The design of the Omni is a unique and Patented design. The centerline of the shooters hand and the gun barrel are on parallel axis. The Single Action revolver allows the force of the shot to travel through the shooters hand and by recoil turn the pistol upward under force of the cartridge. The Omni is designed so that the force of the cartridge is translated straight back - following the centerline of the gun established by the cylinder pin and barrel axis.

This results in much less muzzle flip so that you can stay on your target. The high spur hammer means that in most two handed shooting, like Cowboy Action Shooting, the hammer is easy to reach. Although not a gun of history, the Omni is a modern classic with the lines of the 19th century.



Model shown above with 4-3/4" barrel and long flute cylinder. Note correct period cylinder bevels and large high sweep of the hand checkered hammer. The Omni-Potent Six-Shooter legend on the left side precedes the caliber marking of 45 Colt.

Model shown above with 5-1/2" barrel.

Deluxe grade walnut is a popular choice for your custom gun. See the USFA Pricing Guide for a complete list of details.



## THE BISLEY



U. S. F. A. MFG. CO. \* HARTFORD, CT \* USA

### HOLLAND & HOLLAND

TARGET REVOLVER 1895

In 1895, Holland & Holland the famed London gunmaker, advertised the New Colt Bisley Target Revolver.

The town of Bisley, England was the site of major British shooting matches. In 1894 Colt made an effort to market this new revolver which was an outgrowth of the modifications urged by popular demand on the Single Action. Longer grip straps, heavier frame, a lower and wider hammer spur and full width trigger all were incorporated into this new design in 1894.

Today, the Bisley is often copied but never duplicated. The last one, Serial Number 330,184 left the factory Nov. 18th, 1919. This classic of the Victorian Age can be yours today at USFA.



Model Shown at right with Special Target Frame, Old Armory Bone Case & Armory Blue with rare long flute cylinder.

#### THE BISLEY ~ SPECIFICATIONS

| CALIBER:           | BARREL LENGTH: |
|--------------------|----------------|
| .45 COLT           | 4-3/4"         |
| .45 ACP (CYLINDER) | 5-1/2"         |
| .44 SPECIAL        | 7-1/2"         |
| .44 WCF            |                |
| .38 SPECIAL        |                |
| .38 WCF            |                |
| .32 WCF            |                |

FRAME STYLE: CROSS-PIN, SPECIAL BISLEY FRAME, 1895 BISLEY TARGET FRAME ALSO AVAILABLE

STOCKS: SMOOTH WALNUT SHOWN, CHECKERING EXTRA CHARGE

SIGHTS: SQUARE NOTCH REAR, SQUARE FRONT BLADE

FINISH: OLD ARMORY BONE CASE™ & DOME BLUE™

OPTIONAL FINISH: OLD ARMORY BONE CASE™ & ARMORY BLUE™

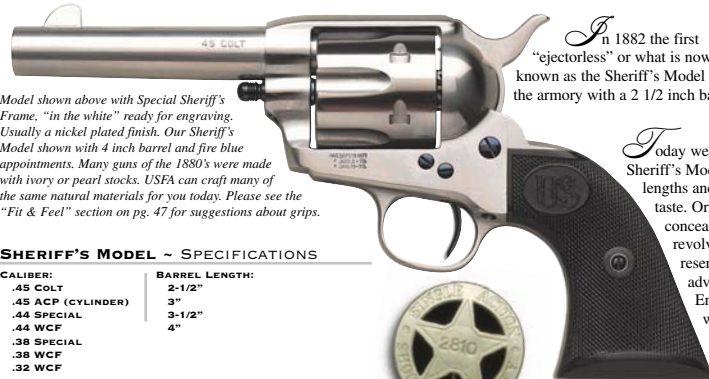
OPTIONAL EXTRAS INCLUDE: ENGRAVING, FANCY GOLD & NICKEL PLATING, IVORY STOCKS

See the USFA Pricing Guide for a complete list of details.

## THE SHERIFF'S MODEL



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Model shown above with Special Sheriff's Frame, "in the white" ready for engraving. Usually a nickel plated finish. Our Sheriff's Model shown with 4 inch barrel and fire blue appointments. Many guns of the 1880's were made with ivory or pearl stocks. USFA can craft many of the same natural materials for you today. Please see the "Fit & Feel" section on pg. 47 for suggestions about grips.

#### SHERIFF'S MODEL ~ SPECIFICATIONS

| CALIBER:           | BARREL LENGTH: |
|--------------------|----------------|
| .45 COLT           | 2-1/2"         |
| .45 ACP (CYLINDER) | 3"             |
| .44 SPECIAL        | 3-1/2"         |
| .44 WCF            | 4"             |
| .38 SPECIAL        |                |
| .38 WCF            |                |
| .32 WCF            |                |

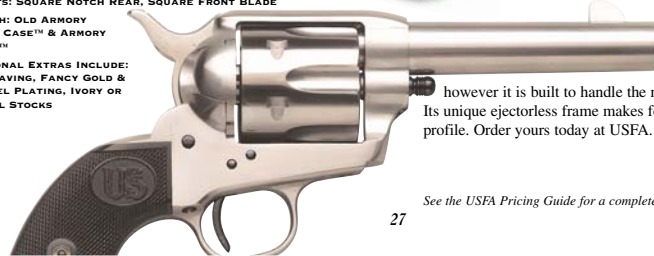
FRAME STYLE: BLACK POWDER FRAME

STOCKS: US HARD RUBBER STOCKS

SIGHTS: SQUARE NOTCH REAR, SQUARE FRONT BLADE

FINISH: OLD ARMORY BONE CASE™ & ARMORY BLUE™

OPTIONAL EXTRAS INCLUDE: ENGRAVING, FANCY GOLD & NICKEL PLATING, IVORY OR PEARL STOCKS



See the USFA Pricing Guide for a complete list of details.

In 1882 the first "ejectorless" or what is now known as the Sheriff's Model left the armory with a 2 1/2 inch barrel.



Today we make the Sheriff's Model in a variety of barrel lengths and calibers to suit your taste. Originally conceived as a concealable short barreled revolver, today it is usually reserved for the most advanced collector. Engraving and plating were common requests on these guns when originally made "under the Blue Dome."

The Sheriff's Model is made to the original design using Black Powder Style Frames, however it is built to handle the modern cartridges of today. Its unique ejectorless frame makes for a light and unique profile. Order yours today at USFA.

# THE .22 PLINKER™



U. S. F. A. MFG. CO. • HARTFORD, CT • USA

## THE HANDIEST PISTOL ON THE PLANET. . .

Full sized Single Action in .22 Rimfire. Colt's only made 107 of these originally under the 'Blue Dome'. You can own USFA number 108.

Enjoy the most popular caliber ever made in The USFA Plinker™. 22 L.R. The .22 rimfire cartridge has had the longest production run of any in history. More styles of ammo: short, long, long rifle, shot shell, and hollowpoints with millions of rounds produced each year. Just right for that first time at the range, the low felt recoil of the .22 is also inexpensive to shoot.

For those looking for a little more zip, The USFA Plinker™ comes standard with an extra cylinder in .22 Winchester Magnum.



*We all know that shooting cans at the range is fun, just clean-up when your done. Be sure to wear Safety Glasses and Ear Protection when shooting.*



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### TAKING CARE OF BUSINESS IN THE 'BACK 40'?

*The versatility of The Plinker™ is really amazing when you consider using a .22 Magnum Shotshell for pest control.*

*With a variety of over 20 types of ammo in .22 caliber, the most popular cartridge in the world just got more fun . . . Go Plinking Today!*

## . . . CAMPING, HUNTING OR PLINKING!



### THE PLINKER™ ~ SPECIFICATIONS

| CALIBERS:             | BARREL LENGTHS: |
|-----------------------|-----------------|
| .22 L.R.              | 4-3/4"          |
| .22 WINCHESTER MAGNUM | 5-1/2"          |
|                       | 7-1/2"          |

FRAME STYLE: SPECIAL BLACK POWDER RIMFIRE FRAME

FINISH: OLD ARMORY BONE CASE™ DOME BLUE™

STOCKS: US HARD RUBBER

SIGHTS: SQUARE NOTCH REAR, SQUARE FRONT BLADE

OPTIONAL EXTRAS INCLUDE: ENGRAVING, PLATING, CHECKERED STOCKS.



*The Plinker features a special rimfire frame & hand cut checkered rimfire hammer. A replaceable full-length cylinder bushing ensures a long service life for your classic single action.*

*The Plinker™ comes standard with an extra cylinder in .22 Winchester Magnum. This chambering allows you to experience a long range recreational cartridge with many bullet style options.*

*See the USFA Pricing Guide for a complete list of details.*

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## THE .22 TARGET



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**COLT'S ONLY MADE 93 UNDER THE "BLUE DOME".  
YOU CAN HAVE USFA NUMBER 94.**

Produced under the original production SAA series, the Flattop Target in .22 Rimfire was a micro-run into itself. Once again, the engineers at USFA have gone back to the archive and uncovered a gem.

The .22 SA rimfire first appeared in 1883. Only 93 were ever made by Colt. USFA recreates this fun and accurate Target revolver for you today. Historically, these were issued with hard rubber grips but very rare models were known in checkered walnut and checkered Ivory. Few were plated or engraved. Fun Shooting!

See the USFA Pricing Guide for a complete list of details.



### USFA .22 TARGET™ ~ SPECIFICATIONS

| CALIBERS:             | BARREL LENGTHS: |
|-----------------------|-----------------|
| .22 L.R.              | 4-3/4"          |
| .22 WINCHESTER MAGNUM | 5-1/2"          |
|                       | 7-1/2"          |

FRAME STYLE: CROSS-PIN, FLATTOP TARGET SPECIAL RIMFIRE FRAME

FINISH: HIGH POLISH DOME BLUE™

STOCKS: US HARD RUBBER

SIGHTS: ADJUSTABLE REAR, REPLACEABLE FRONT BLADE

OPTIONAL EXTRAS INCLUDE: ENGRAVING, PLATING, CHECKERED STOCKS.



## THE HUNTER .17 HMR



U. S. F. A. MFG. CO. \* HARTFORD, CT \* USA

**"BAD GOPHER?"**

# Discontinued

Hunter has been discontinued

Did someone say Gopher? The new .17 HMR blasts downrange at an astonishing 2000 + feet per second. Flat trajectory and accuracy are far superior than the .22 Winchester Magnum. The new Varmint Express in .17 Hornady Magnum Rimfire is prairie dog disposal at its finest.



### USFA HUNTER™ ~ SPECIFICATIONS

| BARREL LENGTH: | CALIBER: | WEIGHT AS SHOWN: |
|----------------|----------|------------------|
| 7-1/2"         | .17 HMR  | 3.5LBS.          |

FRAME STYLE: CROSS-PIN, FLATTOP TARGET SPECIAL RIMFIRE FRAME

FINISH: SPECIAL GLARE-REDUCING MATTE BLUE

STOCKS: US HARD RUBBER

SIGHTS: ADJUSTABLE REAR, REPLACEABLE FRONT BLADE TOP STRAP DRILLED & TAPPED FOR WEAVER BASE

SCOPE SHOWN IN PHOTO:

ULTRA DOT™ MODEL 1/2 DEGREE M.O.A. WITH STANDARD 1" SCOPE RINGS\*

FEATURES:

CLICK-ADJUSTABLE BRIGHTNESS CONTROL, POLARIZING FILTER FOR BRIGHT DAYS

\* Scope, Base & Rings not included. See the USFA Pricing Guide for a complete list of details.

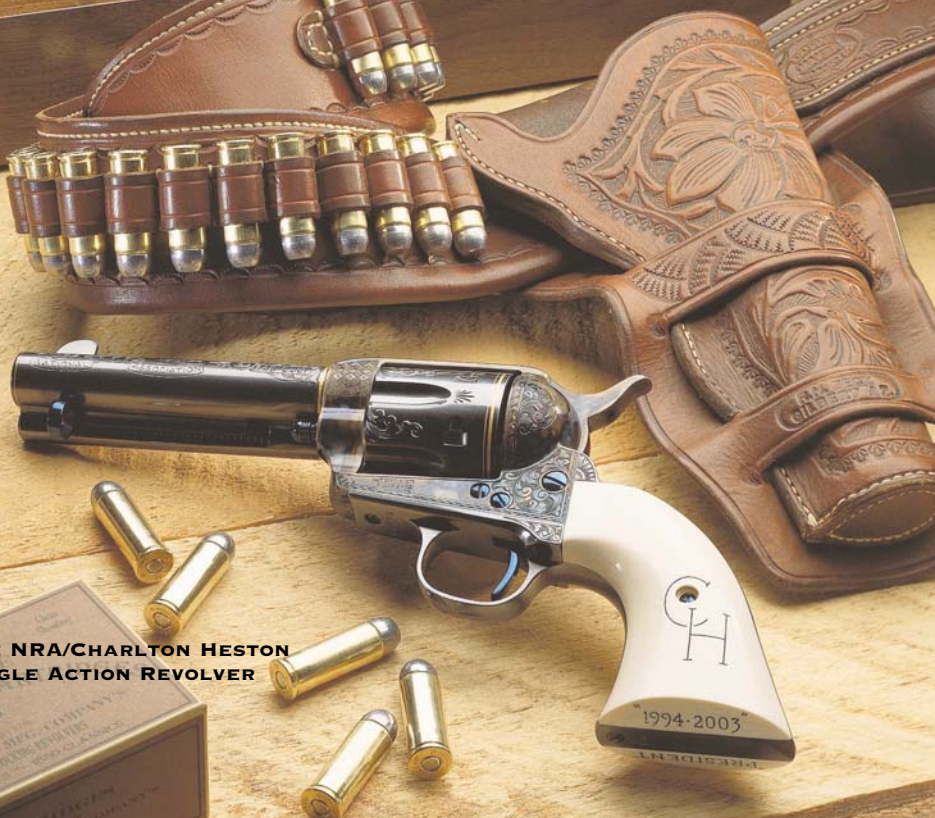
USFA introduces a new departure for our line of classic handguns: The USFA Hunter™ Varmint Sport Pistol. With the bullet weight at just 17 grains, this flat shooting projectile is great for small game hunting. You may not make the Boone & Crockett Record Books but you'll sure have fun trying.

The USFA Hunter™ Varmint Sport Pistol is finished in a special glare-reducing matte blue, drilled & tapped for Weaver type base and US Hard Rubber Grips.

Please note: No warranty is implied or expressed for Ultra Dot scope shown above. Please follow all State & Federal Hunting Laws and ask before hunting on private land.



**THE NRA/CHARLTON HESTON  
SINGLE ACTION REVOLVER**



## THE USFA CUSTOM SHOP



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The embellishment of Arms & Armor began in the Middle Ages. A family crest, a coat of arms, perhaps a religious icon was carved in the metal.

In time, these were replaced with engraved battle scenes, landscapes, hunting motifs, even portraits of the owner.

At Court, jewelers added gold and silver inlay, precious gems and more abstract designs. In time, these treasures were cherished more for their artistic and historic value as family heirlooms than their function as tools for the hunt and defense.

For centuries, the art of the gun remained a privilege of nobility. In the early 19th Century, Victorians revived the tradition.

Today, the Old Armory Custom Gun Shop continues that tradition making art on a steel canvas available to everyone.

Shown here are classic examples that can be re-created, or we can create an original work of art to commemorate any occasion.



Detail showing engraved "H.S."

### ENGRAVED CUSTOM SHOP REVOLVER

.45 COLT, 5-1/2" BARREL

FULL ARMORY BLUE FINISH

CARVED IVORY GRIPS

ENGRAVING: MASTER PATTERN #1 'D' COVERAGE

INITIALS CARVED IN REAR BELL OF FRAME

SPECIAL GOLD INLAY OF FAMILY CREST



The Master Pattern is the starting point of an original work of art. With gold or silver accents, fire blue appointments, inlaid signatures and other details, the possibilities are limited only by your imagination.

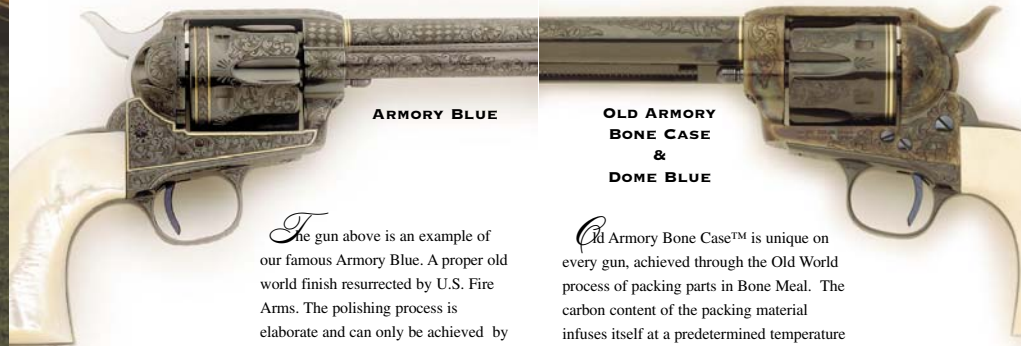


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OUR TRADEMARK "OLD ARMOY" FINISHES . . .  
EXCLUSIVELY FROM THE OLD ARMOY CUSTOM SHOP™



ARMORY BLUE

OLD ARMOY  
BONE CASE  
&  
DOME BLUE

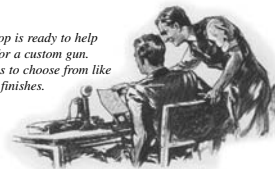
The gun above is an example of our famous Armory Blue. A proper old world finish resurrected by U.S. Fire Arms. The polishing process is elaborate and can only be achieved by careful attention to temperature and length of time - A durable and correct finish for your classic gun.

Old Armory Bone Case™ is unique on every gun, achieved through the Old World process of packing parts in Bone Meal. The carbon content of the packing material infuses itself at a predetermined temperature and held at that temperature for a short time.

Dome Blue™ is a modern blue black finish & is shown here as a comparison with the Armory Blue finish.

Dome Blue is a modern blue where mass production is possible with good protection of the metal surfaces.

The USFA Custom Shop is ready to help you place your order for a custom gun. There are many options to choose from like engraving and special finishes.



# THE USFA CUSTOM SHOP



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## LIGHTNING RIFLE ENGRAVING



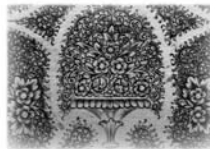
### BANK NOTE ENGRAVING

*Executed with only the use of a fine scoring tool, Bank Note Engraving is most often seen on currency. Today, this rare talent is available from the USFA Custom Shop.*



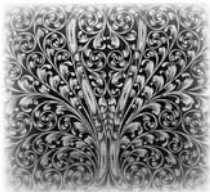
### GRAPE LEAF PATTERN WITH SQUIRREL

*The opening of the Orient in the late 19th Century had an influence on the arts & culture of America including gun engraving. The engraving shown above is carefully proportioned to fit the size of the frame and follow the lines of the frame.*



### FINE ENGLISH SCROLL

*Developed from the German tradition of engraving the English scroll is the smallest and most difficult pattern found on guns today.*



### DEEP RELIEF SCROLL

*Performed with heavy chisel cuts, the deep relief scroll gives a 3rd dimension to the engraving.*



### AMERICAN SCROLL WITH LION

*Combining the influences of the European styles, the American Scroll is what is most frequently seen on fine guns today. Work by USFA master engraver, Dennis Kies.*



### GRAPE LEAF PATTERN WITH BEAR

*The Grape Leaf Pattern was original to the period when the Lightnings were first introduced around 1884. The USFA Custom Shop engravers have studied these patterns for the Lightning series and perfected the technique. As with the Bear above almost any motif can be inset in the engraving: initials, monograms, different animals, including the gargoyle on the opposite page were common options in the 1880's.*



### GRAPE LEAF PATTERN WITH STAG

*Many motifs are adaptable to the open work surface of the Lightning. Your hunting dog or an illustrated panel of animals, fox & hounds, are possible. Please see the USFA Pricing Guide for details.*



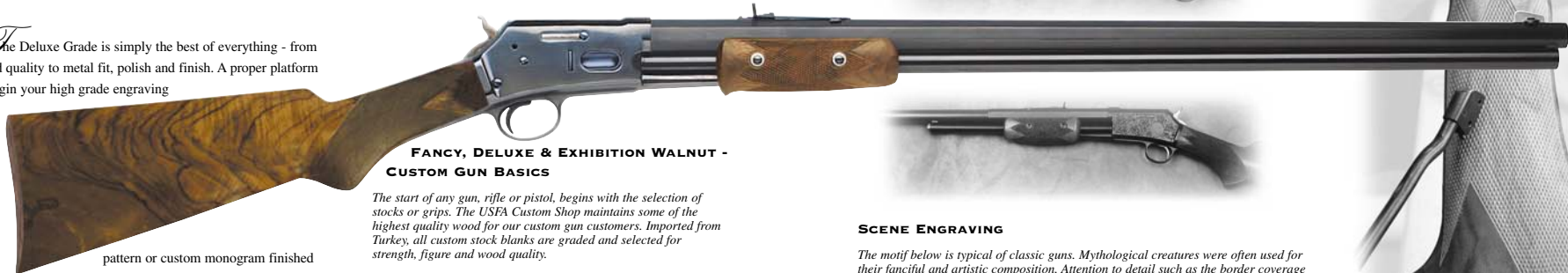
# THE USFA CUSTOM SHOP



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## THE DELUXE LIGHTNING - THE FINEST RIFLE EVER MADE.

The Deluxe Grade is simply the best of everything - from wood quality to metal fit, polish and finish. A proper platform to begin your high grade engraving



### FANCY, DELUXE & EXHIBITION WALNUT - CUSTOM GUN BASICS

The start of any gun, rifle or pistol, begins with the selection of stocks or grips. The USFA Custom Shop maintains some of the highest quality wood for our custom gun customers. Imported from Turkey, all custom stock blanks are graded and selected for strength, figure and wood quality.

USFA has 4 grades; Standard, Fancy, Deluxe & Exhibition. For those who know the best.

pattern or custom monogram finished off by hand checkering. The Deluxe Grade above features an optional up-grade to a custom "Prince of Wales" round knob shotgun butt; Up-grade to exhibition wood quality, Tru-Oil finish with hand checkered butt and forend. Armory Blue™ finish with fire blue appointments and full length 26" octagonal barrel with open sights.

Here is a classic heirloom to be enjoyed and passed down to the next generation. The USFA Custom Shop is known around the world as the best resource for this type of work. For assistance with customer specifications & order acceptance, please contact the USFA Custom Shop for details.



### SCENE ENGRAVING

The motif below is typical of classic guns. Mythological creatures were often used for their fanciful and artistic composition. Attention to detail such as the border coverage with intertwined arrows and parchment scroll for name inscription or family motto forms an interesting & unique combination for your custom gun. A certain requested motif can be nicely incorporated into the medallions in the two examples above. The USFA Custom Shop stands ready to fulfill any request or modification you may desire.



### FINE HAND CHECKERING

The first step in a hand cut checkering pattern is the proper layout. After the proper style and proportion have been established a series of master lines are scribed from which all others are cut. This is the "old way" - the only way we know. If you seek the best, and know quality, you have found it.



#### MASTER ENGRAVING PATTERN #1

REVOLVER SHOWN IS A SPECIALLY DESIGNED MASTER 'A' FINISHED IN OLD ARMORY BONE CASE™ & ARMORY BLUE™ FIRE BLUE APPOINTMENTS, IVORY STOCKS

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4 3/4", .45 COLT SINGLE ACTION  
ARMORY 'A' COVERAGE,  
PEARL GRIPS, SILVER PLATE

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ENGRAVING COVERAGES.



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BIRDSHEAD IVORY STOCKS  
SPECIALLY MODIFIED HAMMERS



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### 1902 SEARS GUN

.45 COLT, 4-3/4" BARREL  
 FULL ARMORY BLUE, GOLD ACCENTS  
 FIRE BLUE APPOINTMENTS, PEARL GRIPS  
 ENGRAVING: MASTER PATTERN #4  
 'D' COVERAGE



### BUFFALO BILL WILD WEST SHOW GUN

.45 COLT, 7-1/2" BARREL  
 NICKEL-PLATED FINISH  
 CARVED IVORY GRIPS, BUFFALO HEAD MOTIF



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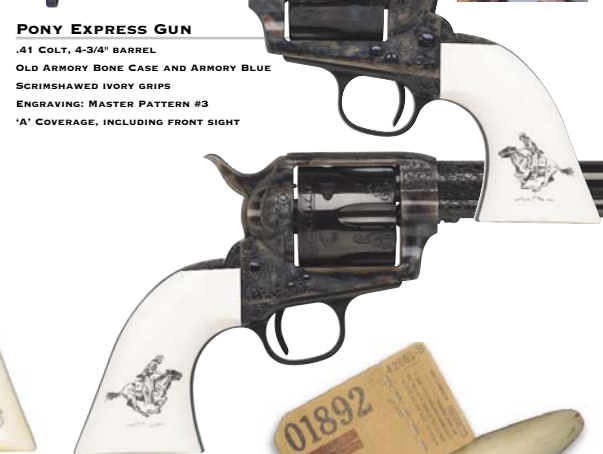
### THE FRONTIER SIX SHOOTER

.44 WCF, 7-1/2" BARREL  
 NICKEL-PLATED FINISH  
 SCRIMSHAWED PEARL GRIPS  
 ENGRAVING: MASTER PATTERN #5  
 'C' COVERAGE



### PONY EXPRESS GUN

.41 COLT, 4-3/4" BARREL  
 OLD ARMORY BONE CASE AND ARMORY BLUE  
 SCRIMSHAWED IVORY GRIPS  
 ENGRAVING: MASTER PATTERN #3  
 'A' COVERAGE, INCLUDING FRONT SIGHT



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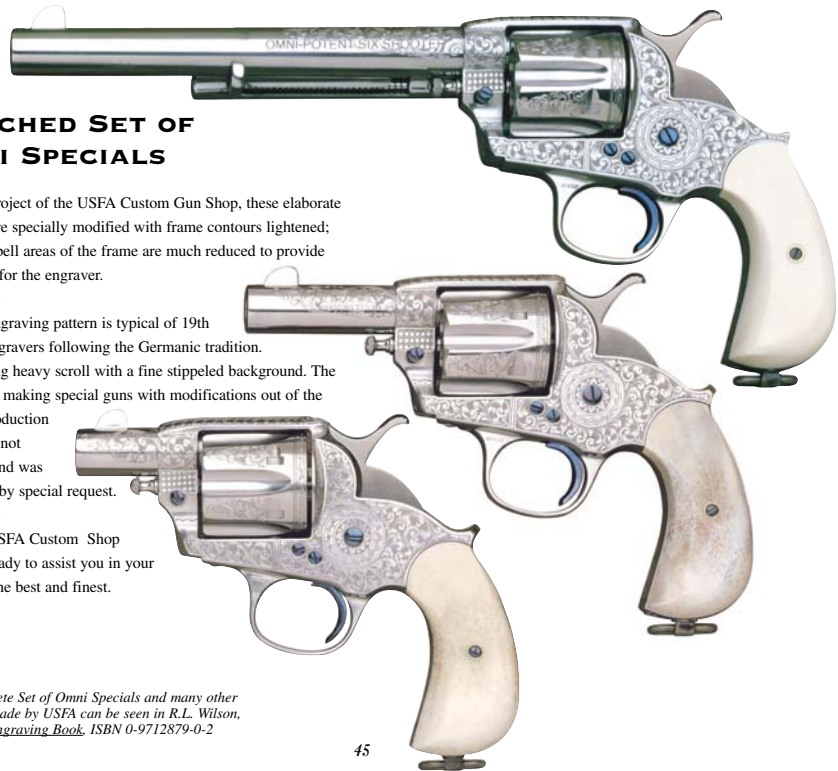
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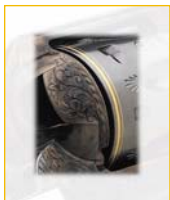
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FIRE BLUE APPOINTMENTS



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SPECIAL SERIAL NUMBERS



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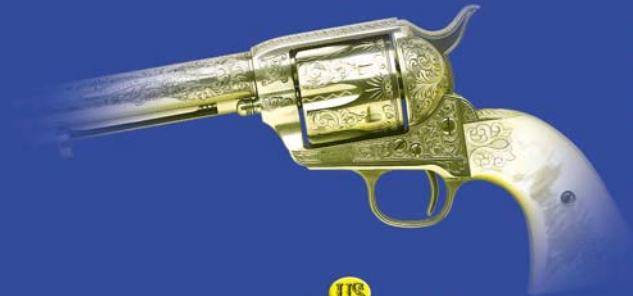
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