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Award Certificate for the **Order of the Red Banner of RSFSR.**

Small booklet version, about 95mm x 130mm. Awarded with the Order of the Red Banner of RSFSR #3519 to comrade Naumov V.F., commander of 2nd Brigade of the 22nd Rifle Division on September 10, 1922. Decree of January 23, 1920. The Certificate has the full citation inside: on June 16, 1919, the Derkul'sky group of troops under comrade Naumov's command was encircled by Cossack bands. Despite the hopeless situation, he initiated the break through, and after 4 ferocious fights in the area of Zeleny – Rochmanov and near Pugachev, on June 21 the group finally broke through the enemy encirclement. During the retreat, 2 enemy machine guns were captured, along with some prisoners and one disabled cannon.

Наградная Грамота к ордену Боевого Красного Знамени РСФСР.

Малый размер (примерно 95мм х 130мм). Награжден т.Наумов В.Ф., (орден Боевого Красного Знамени РСФСР #3519), выдана 10 сентября 1922, по приказу РВС Республики номер 28, от 23 января 1920.

“16 июня 1919г т.Наумов, командуя Деркульской группой, был окружен со всех сторон казачьими бандами и несмотря на безвыходное положение, начал прорываться через кольцо противника. Выдержав 4 тяжелых боя в районе Зеленого Рохманово, около Пугачева, 21 июня группа прорвалась через кольцо и вышла по направлению к Пугачеву. Во время боев у противника было взято 2 пулемета, пленные и одно подбитое орудие.”

Condition:

Good vintage condition, problem free

\$ 750

Ex The New York Sale XXXIII, Baldwin's / Markov / Me&M, January 9, 2014, lot 2093, item remaining unpaid by a collector from Kiev, Ukraine.



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Award Certificate for the **Order of the Red Banner of RSFSR.**

Small booklet version, about 95mm x 110mm. Awarded with the Order of the Red Banner of RSFSR #4366 to private Kuzma Dmitriev, 367th Rifle Regiment on September 10, 1922. The Certificate has the full citation inside: he was setting an example of selfless courage during the fight on Lozovaya River, when the regiment was encircled. He encouraged his comrades to fight, and during the breakthrough destroyed the enemy's machine gun, thus allowing the regiment to withdraw without losses. Signed by Yakir, the infamous Red Army commander, who was later shot together with other top Red Army commanders (famous Tukhachevsky's trial, 1937).

Наградная Грамота к ордену Боевого Красного Знамени РСФСР.
 Малый размер (примерно 95мм х 110мм). Награжден т.Дмитриев Кузьма, красноармеец 367-го стрелкового полка (орден Боевого Красного Знамени РСФСР #4366), выдана 10 сентября 1922.
 "т. Дмитриев, в бою на реке Лозовой, когда полк был окружен, служа примером беззаветной храбрости, воодушевлял товарищей и при прорыве полка сбил пулемет противника, чем способствовал выходу полка без потерь."
 Подпись Якира, одного из легендарных командиров Гражданской войны, впоследствии уничтоженного вместе с Тухачевским и др.

Condition: Good vintage condition, problem free \$ 750

Ex The New York Sale XXXIII, Baldwin's / Markov / M&M, January 9, 2014, lot 2094, item remaining unpaid by a collector from Kiev, Ukraine.



detail to 2x

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Award Certificate for the **Order of the Red Banner of RSFSR.**

Large version, about 230mm x 370mm. Awarded with the Order of the Red Banner of RSFSR #12841 to comrade Batrushkevich P.N. on August 30, 1923, for distinction in combat against the enemies of the Socialist Fatherland on June 15, 1919, near the village of Uzbekovo. Hand-signed by Sklyanski, Deputy Chairman of the Military Revolutionary Council, a close aid to Trotsky, who called him the "Carnot of the Russian Revolution". No wonder he died only 2 years later, in 1925, during a strange boating accident.

Наградная Грамота к ордену Боевого Красного Знамени РСФСР.
 Поздний тип, большой размер (примерно 230мм х 370мм). Награжден Батрушкевич П.Н., (орден Боевого Красного Знамени РСФСР #12841), выдана 30 августа 1923, за отличие в бою против врагов Социалистического Отечества 15 июня 1919г. под д.Узбеково. Подпись Склянского, зам. председателя РВС Республики, близкого сподвижника Л.Троцкого. Наверное, благодаря этой дружбе Склянский погиб всего 2 года спустя, в 1925г., при странной аварии на лодке.

Condition: Good vintage condition, problem free \$ 750

Ex The New York Sale XXXIII, Baldwin's / Markov / M&M, January 9, 2014, lot 2095, item remaining unpaid by a collector from Kiev, Ukraine.

ORDERS OF THE USSR



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Иван Н. Кожедуб и Шалва Н. Кирия (справа)

3079 Documented and Researched GOLD Star of **Hero of the Soviet Union. Type 2.**
Award # 2270

23K gold. Comes with Large Certificate for the title Hero of the Soviet Union, and a custom made Congratulatory gramota. Awarded to Major-General Kiriya Shalva Nesterovich (Georgian by nationality), ace fighter pilot, by decree of Oct. 26, 1944. At the time of award, major Kiriya was serving as the navigator of 151th Guards Air Regiment, with a personal score of 23 enemy planes (22 personal + 1 shared) destroyed in 59 dogfights. By the end of WWII, he managed to add 6 more kills to his tally, ending with 29 (!) victories. After the war, continued his military career, retiring in 1961 as Major-General of Aviation. Published a memoir book "Skies belong to the stars", about his combat exploits. *Extremely Rare HSU star to a high scoring ace.*

Летом 1944г. был майором, штурманом 427-го ИАП (переназванном в 1944г. в 151-й ГвИАП), на 2-м Укр. фронте. К концу августа 1944г. совершил 189 вылетов и сбил 23 самолета (один в группе) в 59 боях. До конца войны сбил ещё 6. Впоследствии, оставался служить в ВВС до 1961г., в отставку вышел в звании генерал-майора. О своем боевом опыте написал книгу "Небо принадлежит звездам".
Очень редко встречаемое сочетание - генерал грузинской национальности и истребитель-ас.

Condition:

Suspension is missing the push plate, otherwise problem free on all items

\$ 10,000



3080

3080 **Hero of the Socialist Labor Gold Star. Type 2.** Award # 2529. 23K Gold.
Comes with blue leathered case with embossed Coat of Arms of the USSR and legend
“СОЮЗ / СОВЕТСКИХ / СОЦИАЛИ - / СТИЧЕСКИХ / РЕСПУБЛИК”.

Condition:

Choice and problems free \$ 1,750



3081

3081 **Hero of the Socialist Labor complete documents set.**
Complete with all 3 award documents. Small Certificate contains a photo of the recipient. The title of Hero of the Socialist Labor was bestowed on comrade Petuhov Anatoliy Ivanovich in March of 1971, by decree of March 30, 1971, 'For exceptional achievements in development of black metallurgy during the 5-year plan'. Scarce as a complete set.

Condition:

Problem free on all items \$1,500



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Documented **Order of Lenin. Type 3, "REISSUE"**. Award # 667. Screwback with "МОНДВОР" mintmark. Original silver nut. Official reissue award for the type 1 "Трактор". Comes with Order's Book, issued to Zhukov M.M. (contains nice photo of the veteran wearing this order). *Rare*, especially documented.

Condition:

Excellent with only one hardly noticeable enamel chipping, highly desirable

\$ 20,000

Ex The New York Sale XXXIII, Baldwin's / Markov / M&M, January 9, 2014, lot 2100, item remaining unpaid by a collector from Kiev, Ukraine.



3083 Researched **Order of Lenin. Type 3.** Award # 2908.
 Screwback with “МОНДВОР” mintmark. Original silver nut. Comes with copies of official research from the Ministry of Defense of the Russian Federation, including award card, military records, and a nice photo of the recipient, wearing all his awards. Awarded to Guards Colonel Val'kov Aleksei Georgievich, by decree of May 25, 1936. Comrade Val'kov was a career officer, who started his service in 1920, fought in the Civil War against Wrangel', served throughout WWII, commanded Air Force Shturmovik Division, and occupied several other top positions in the Soviet Military Air Forces, before his retirement in 1953, as Colonel.

Вальков Алексей Георгиевич - гв. полковник, участник боев против бандформирований барона Врангеля (1920г.), во время Отечественной войны занимал позиции командира авиадивизии, зам. командующего ВВС 10-й армии, Зап. фронт. После войны нач. отдела боевой подготовки ВВС Киевского ВО. Уволен в запас в 1953г.
 Сканы учетной карточки награжденного, послужного списка и др. архивных документов прилагаются.

Редкий орден Ленина, с двойной “пяточкой” у основания винта, всего выпущено около 1000шт. таких знаков.

Very Rare variation with double-tier screwpost base (only about a 1000 of them manufactured, out of all type 3 orders of Lenin).

Condition: Miniscule enamel chips along the banner, excellent otherwise \$ 7,500

Ex The New York Sale XXXIII, Baldwin's / Markov / МѣМ, January 9, 2014, lot 2101, item remaining unpaid by a collector from Kiev, Ukraine.



3084 Complete Documented Group of Colonel Kamsarakan Mikhail Aleksandrovich. Comrade Kamsarakan M.A. served as a commander of the 28th regiment of the air defense (Baku air defense system). Career officer, participated in the fighting against Georgian opposition and bandit gangs in 1922.

Group comes with:

Order of Lenin # 55965.

Order of Red Banner # 155224.

Order of Red Banner 2nd Award # 20252.

Order of Red Star # 130707.

Order's Book listing all of the above awards, nothing missing (contains photo).

Medal for 20 years of RKKA, type 1, # 11051, with related award booklet (contains photo).

Medal "For Defense of Caucasus" with corresponding medal certificate.

Medal "For Victory over Germany" with corresponding medal certificate.

Medal "20 years Anniversary of Victory over Germany" with corresponding medal certificate.

Medal "30 years Anniversary of Armed Forces of the USSR" with corresponding medal certificate.

Medal "50 years Anniversary of Armed Forces of the USSR" with corresponding medal certificate.

1951 Graduation Diploma from Budenny Military Academy of Communication.

2 original photographs.

Камсаракан Михаил Александрович - участник боев против меньшевиков Грузии и банд Челокашвили в 1922г. Во время войны командир 28-го полка воздушного оповещения и связи Бакинской Армии ПВО.

Very Rare complete documented group to a minority officer!

Condition:

Perfect condition on all items, practically unworn

\$ 5,000



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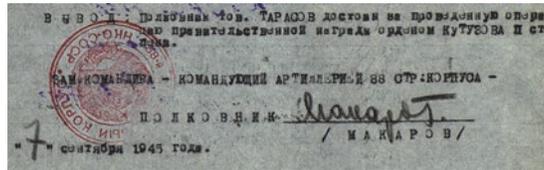


3085 **Order of Red Banner. Type 3.** Award # 96677.
One of the first productions on 5-sided suspension.

Condition: Excellent with flawless enamels and full gold-plating \$ 400



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3086 **Researched Order of Red Banner. Type 4.** Award # 237601.
1945 Moscow mint issue. Comes with copies of official research from the Ministry of Defense of the Russian Federation, including award card, citation and decree. Awarded to Colonel Tarasov M.A., commander of the 220th Corps artillery brigade, 88th Corps, by decree of Sept. 30, 1945. Colonel Tarasov was instrumental in organizing a thorough reconnaissance of the Manchurian border, which yielded great results in a quick offensive conducted by the brigade between August 1 and September 8, 1945. Brigade's artillery inflicted heavy losses on the Japanese samurais. The entire border area was captured without much losses to the brigade itself. Originally bestowed for order of Kutuzov 2nd class, but at the very last level downgraded to the order of Red Banner.

Полковник Тарасов Максим Акимович - род. 1906г., в Красной Армии с 1928г., член ВКПб с 1931г. В период боевых действий арт. бригады с 1-го авг. по 8-е сент., благодаря хорошо организованной разведке и правильного планирования артогня, удалось нанести большой урон противнику, уничтожить все наземные укрепления и до 2-х рот пехоты, и овладеть пограничным укрепрайоном. Остатки японских самураев в беспорядке бежали в глубь Маньчжурии. Отмечен в приказе т.Сталина. Представлен к ордену Кутузова 2ст., но на последнем этапе утверждений орден заменен на орден Красного Знамени.

Scarce researched Red Banner for war against the Japan.

Condition: Small enamel chips, not detracting from overall great eye appeal, dark patina \$ 400

Красного Знамени 275 (4)

1. Награжден

«Богдана Хмельницкого 1-й степени»
Ордене КРАСНОЕ ЗНАМЯ

Ордене Красного Знамени
в Ордене Красного Знамени

«Кутузова 2-й степени»
Ордене Ленина

№ орден (1) 10148, 4, 711

2. 15112, 5, 36030

3. 160609, 6, 199

2. Имеет право, начиная с 1/II-1940,
на получение орденских денежных выдач
и на другие льготы и преимущества,
согласно общему положению об орденах
Союза ССР.

3. Книга бессрочная.

Секретарь Президиума
Верховного Совета СССР



№ 041534

5 февраля 1940.

Утверждено постановлением ЦИК и
СНК Союза ССР от 7 мая 1936 г.

ОБЩЕЕ ПОЛОЖЕНИЕ

об орденах Союза ССР.

1. Орден Союза ССР является высшей
наградой за особые заслуги в области
социалистического строительства и обороны
Союза ССР.

2. Центральным Исполнительным Коми-
тетом Союза ССР учреждены следующие
ордена Союза ССР: «Орден Ленина»,
«Красное Знамя», «Красная Звезда», «Тру-
довое Красное Знамя» и «Знак Почета».

3. Орденами Союза ССР могут награ-
ждаться как отдельные граждане, так и
войсковые соединения и воинские части
Рабоче-Крестьянской Красной Армии, пред-
приятия, учреждения и организации.

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Complete Documented Group of Guards Lieutenant-General Brichenok Robert Ivanovich.

Guards Lieutenant-General Brichenok started his career in 1915, in the cavalry school. After the 1917 Revolt, joined the Bolshevik party, participated in the fighting against Udenich, Poles, Wrangel and gangs of Makhno (1917-1920). Took part in the Finnish War of 1939-1940, where he was bestowed with his first award of the Red Banner. Artillery detachments commander during WWII. After the war, commanded an artillery school in Leningrad. Died in 1972.

Group comes with:

Order of B. Khmelnitsky 1st Class # 198, Type 1, with Authentication Certificate from Paul McDaniel (9 out of 10 condition rating).

Order of Kutuzov 2nd Class # 711, Type 2 (5 rivets visible on reverse), with Authentication Certificate from Paul McDaniel (9 out of 10 condition rating).

Order of Lenin # 36030.

Order of Red Banner # 10148 ("REISSUE" for the screwback type).

Order of Red Banner 2nd Award # 1511 ("REISSUE" for the screwback type).

Order of Red Banner # 160602.

Order of Red Banner 4th Award # 275, with Authentication Certificate from Paul McDaniel (9.5 out of 10 condition rating). One of the first suspension type orders.

Order's Book listing all of the above awards, nothing missing.

Medal for 20 years of RKKA, type 2.

Medal "For Defense of Leningrad".

3 other medals – Polish, Bulgarian and Czechoslovakian.

Full official research from the Ministry of Defense of the Russian Federation, including award card (fully confirming all of his awards), citations and decrees. Includes complete English translation.

Complete "Personal File" from the military archives.

Бриченко Роберт Иванович (гв. генерал-лейтенант. 04.20.1945г) - участник Гражданской войны, в 1917-1920гг. воевал против Уденича, белополяков, Врангеля и Махно. Участвовал в Финской войне 1939-1940гг., где был награжден своим первым орденом Красного Знамени. На командных должностях в течении всей ВОВ. После войны заведовал Ленинградской артиллерийской школой. Умер в 1972г.

Extremely Rare fully complete documented group with top military orders!

Condition: Excellent condition all items, highly collectable group \$ 100,000

Ex The New York Sale XXXIII, Baldwin's / Markov / Mc&M, January 9, 2014, lot 2115, item remaining unpaid by a collector from Kiev, Ukraine



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3088 **Order of Suvorov 2nd Class. Type 2. Award # 125.**

Screwback. Gold and silver, with red enamels. Original silver screwback nut. Apparent serial number alteration, but done long time ago, and in the style of official mintmark "reissue" pieces, hence impossible to state whether or not it's legit. Therefore, offered not as a "reissue", but as a standard order.

Condition:

Perfect enamels and great details on medallion \$ 12,500

Ex Gorny & Mosch, March 2007, Munich, Sale 157, lot 3985.



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3089 **Order of Suvorov 2nd Class. Type 2. Award # 1617.**

Screwback. Gold and silver, with red enamels. Original silver screwback nut. Comes with Certificate of Authenticity from A.Merezhko.

Condition: Some scratches on reverse around serial number, without any alterations or affecting readability. Replaced enamel in the letters, replaced reverse rivets. Nonetheless, crisp details on medallion, with silky medium patina

\$ 12,500



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3090 **Order of B. Khmelnytsky 3rd Class. Type 2.** Solid construction. Award # 3803. Variation with the dot on sabre. Technological marking "7" on reverse. Original silver nut.

Condition:

Wear on high point

\$ 4,000



3091



3091 **Order of A. Nevsky. Type 1.** Award # 815. Type 1, variation 2, on silver rectangular suspension, with the stick pin.

Condition:

Enamel may have been professionally replaced, outstanding otherwise with mint center medallion and most of the original gilt remaining under patina

\$2,000



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3092 **Order of A. Nevsky. Type 3.** Award # 22661. Comes with blue leathered case with embossed Coat of Arms of the USSR and legend "СОЮЗ / СОВЕТСКИХ / СОЦИАЛИ - / СТИЧЕСКИХ / РЕСПУБЛИК".

Condition:

Choice and problem free

\$ 1,500



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3093 **Order of Patriotic War 1st Class. Type 1.** Award # 1785.

Type 1, variation 1, on unique rectangular suspension without the connecting ring, with the stick pin. The rarest of all variations.

Condition: Practically unworn, flawless enamels, all original parts, including suspension and nut. Extremely rare in such state of preservation, and superb for type

\$ 4,000



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3094 **Order of Patriotic War 1st Class. Type 1.** Award # 16454.

Type 1, variation 3, on rectangular suspension, without the stick pin.

Condition: Superficial enamel chip at 12 o'clock, suspension may not be original to the order, still excellent eye appeal, with full gilt.

\$ 2,500

3095 **Order of Patriotic War 1st Class. Type 2.** Award # 233555. Screwback.

Comes with blue leathered case with embossed Coat of Arms of the USSR and legend "СОЮЗ / СОВЕТСКИХ / СОЦИАЛИ - / СТИЧЕСКИХ / РЕСПУБЛИК".

Condition: Nice and problem free

\$ 500



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3096 **Order of Patriotic War 2nd Class. Type 1.** Award # 9538.
Type 1, variation 2, on rectangular suspension, with stick-pin.

Condition: Tiny chips and dings on red enamel, excellent otherwise \$ 500



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3097 **Researched Order of Patriotic War 2nd Class. Type 1.** Award # 16464.
Type 1, variation 3, on rectangular suspension, without stick-pin. Comes with original letter from archives of the Ministry of Defence of the Russian Federation. Awarded to Captain Isayans O.A. (of Armenian origin), 5th Shock Army. In combat near Dmitrievka village, Captain Isayants, leading the battalion provided a clever stroke of tactics in capturing the road, cutting off the enemy's path and ultimately capturing 6 vehicles and other facilities. Wounded in the arm, comrade Isayants only left the battlefield after the fight was over. Received his award in July of 1944, by decree of March 8th, 1944.

Condition: Small enamel chipping, otherwise very good \$ 1,800

3098 **Order of Patriotic War 2nd Class. Type 1.** Award # 18462.
Type 1, variation 3, on rectangular suspension, without stick-pin.

Condition: Minor enamel chips around edges, moderate signs of wear, good vintage condition otherwise \$ 500



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Documented Order of Red Star. Type 1, "GOZNAK". Award # 748.

Type 1. Comes with unique 36mm silver nut. Order's booklet contains a nice photo of the recipient, wearing this Red Star. Awarded to comrade Zalesky V.F., privileges authorized from March, 1936. The Order's book lists several other decorations, which are missing. *Very rare, especially documented*

Condition: Good vintage condition, despite the recently polished enamels \$ 25,000



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Order of Red Star. Type 4. Award # 35785.

Variation with "МОДЕТНЫЙ ДВОР" mintmark and screwpost base. *Scarce* early issue for the type

Condition:

Nice and problem free

\$ 400



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Order of Red Star. Type 4. Award # 87479.

Variation with "МОДЕТНЫЙ ДВОР" mintmark and screwpost base.

Condition:

Great vintage condition, despite a tiny enamel chip at 3 o'clock, minimal wear on medallion

\$ 300

3102

Order of Red Star. Type 4. Award # 215610.

Variation with "МОДЕТНЫЙ ДВОР" mintmark and screwpost base.

Condition:

Enamel professionally replaced, screw thinned with custom nut used, excellent eye appeal

\$ 250

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Order of Red Star. Type 6, "DUPLICATE". Award # 71187.

Serial number is hand-engraved on unnumbered order. Scarce variation of duplicate.

Condition:

Excellent

\$ 300



- 3104 **Order of Red Star. Type 6, "DUPLICATE".** Award # 2003015.
Official duplicate with Cyrillic "Д" and stamped serial number, done on previously numbered piece. Scarce
Condition: Small enamel chips at 9 and 12 o'clock, perfect otherwise \$ 300
- 3105 **Order of Red Star. Type 6.** Award # 947310.
Variation without "монетный двор" mintmark. Rare
Condition: Screw is shortened, perfect otherwise \$ 500



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- 3106 **Documented and Researched Order of Red Star. Type 6.** Award # 3788011.
*Variation with serial number done with rotating-tool. Comes the Orders booklet, and copies of official research from the Ministry of Defense of the Russian Federation (award card). Awarded to Junior Sergeant Shukteris A.I., by decree of May 25, 1987, for courage and personal bravery during his service in the **Democratic Republic of Afghanistan**. In particular, he took part in 10 combat operations, and over 20 recon operations. During the last one, he personally found and destroyed an entire artillery cannon crew. Was apparently heavily wounded in the process. Scarce Afghanistan War award.*
Condition: Excellent condition both items \$ 400



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Order of Red Banner of Labor. Type 2.

Type 2, var. 1. Screwback, "Mondvor" mintmark. Award # 4397. "KP" maker's marks.

Condition: Minor enamel chipping, not penetrating to metal. Nice otherwise \$ 2,500



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Documented **Order of October Revolution.** Award # 84554.

Comes with order's book, issued to Selitsky Cheslav Stanislavovich (Селицкий Чеслав Станиславович) by decree of April 12, 1979. *Rare* award to foreigner.

Condition: Mint condition both items \$ 1,000

Ex The New York Sale XXXIII, Baldwin's / Markov / M&M, January 9, 2014, lot 2136, item remaining unpaid by a collector from Kiev, Ukraine



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3109 **Medal 'For 20th Anniversary of the RKKA' with document. Type 2**
 1938 medal, converted to a 5-sided suspension. Comes with medals' award booklet, issued to quartermaster 2nd rank Nekrasov V.A. on Feb. 22, 1938. Scarce

Condition: Both items are in problem free condition, showing minor wear \$ 1,000

Ex The New York Sale XXXIII, Baldwin's / Markov / Mc&M, January 9, 2014, lot 2139, item remaining unpaid by a collector from Kiev, Ukraine.



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3110 **Medal 'For the 20th Anniversary of RKKA'. Type 2.**
 1938 medal, converted to 5-sided suspension in order to comply with regulation change of June 1943.

Condition: Premium condition with flawless enamel \$750



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3111 **Documented Ushakov Medal.** Award # 9226.
Variation 2, with small stamped serial number. Comes with medal booklet, issued to Parhomenko Yakov Lukich. Priviledges authorized from Oct. 1, 1944.

Condition:

Excellent with all original parts

\$1,000



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3112 **Nakhimov Medal.** Award # 187.
Variation 1, with hand-engraved serial number. Comes with Certificate of Authenticity from Paul McDaniel (very high 8 out of 10 condition rating). *Scarce with such low number*

Condition:

Minimal wear, excellent and problem free

\$ 2,000



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Documented Nakhimov Medal. Award # 10721.

Variation 2, with small stamped serial number. Comes with medal booklet, issued to Yaroslavtzev Lev Feodorovich. Priviledges authorized from Dec. 1, 1944.

Condition:

Minimal wear, much of the gilt still remains

\$ 1,000

*Золотая Медаль Международной Ленинской премии за “Укрепление мира между народами” (перевыдана как Международной Сталинской Премии) Председателю Международной следственной комиссии поджоге Рейстага (1933).
Присуждена в 1954 г. Денису Притту.*



3114 **International Lenin Prize for Peace documented Set to Denis Nowell Pritt, Q.C., and presentations to Pritt on his 70th Birthday, along with related items.** The medal set includes:

- The Gold International Lenin Prize for Peace medal, in original burgundy case of issue, official issue as the De-Stalinization exchange/replacement for the Stalin Prize for Peace medal.
- Soviet Peace Committee gilt Medal in box of issue; with Testimonial Diploma, November 1969, and official English version on a separate sheet, both signed by Committee officials.
- B&W photos of Pritt, wearing the Lenin Peace Prize and other medals, with Walter Ulbricht.

German Democratic Republic Presentations to Pritt on his 70th Birthday include:

- Leipzig Honorary Citizenship, 22 September 1957, vellum scroll, 300 x 602 mm, bestowed by the City Council and the Senate of the City of Leipzig upon "Denis Nowell Pritt ... Holder of the Lenin Peace Prize... for recognition of his courageous behavior in the London Counter Trial of the Reichstag Fire Trial, which, next to the steadfast behavior of Georgi Dimitrov, effectively contributed to the unmasking of the Fascist guilt..." The scroll is rolled into the gilt-embossed leather tube of issue (410 x 82 mm), which fits into a presentation box with removable lid. The inside of which contains a fitted concave "bed" for the tube to rest upon. (*Leipzig was the site of the official Reichstag Fire trial of G. Dimitrov, etc. in 1933*)
- Union of Democratic Jurists of Germany patent leather presentation box (220 x 268 mm.), the cover gilt inscribed to Pritt on his 70th birthday. The box contains 24 b&w photographs of the Reichstag Fire trial, participants, documents etc.

Also includes:

- Books by Pritt: *Light on Moscow* (1940); *The USSR, Our Ally* (1941); *A New World Grows: USSR 1917-1943* (1943); *Russia is for Peace* (1952)
- Books by Pritt about the Reichstag Fire: *The Burning of the Reichstag: Official Findings of the Committee of Inquiry* (1933); *Der Reichstagsbrand* (Berlin, 1959), title page autographed in ink by Pritt.
- Book about the Reichstag Fire: *Reichstag Fire: Ashes of Democracy* (1972).

The Lenin Peace Prize medal to Pritt is only the third ever auctioned in the Western World (and the first De-Stalinization exchange/replacement ever auctioned); fewer than 100 were ever awarded. Famous Laureates include Khrushchev, Castro, Picasso, Brezhnev, and Mandela.

*Pritt's 1957 Leipzig honorary citizenship was the twelfth such honor from a major German city ever presented to a foreigner, and is apparently **the only such honor to a foreigner ever auctioned; it was the first such honor bestowed by Leipzig, and the first from any major German city to a foreigner, since World War II.** Its cleverly elaborate physical format is extremely rare, as most such German city honors were in simple folio format. (Until the 1970's, Nobel Peace Prize diplomas were presented in rolled, rather than folio, format.)*



This lot may be by far the most historically significant lot pertaining to the Reichstag Fire ever auctioned.

Denis Nowell Pritt, (1887-1972), barrister, member of the British Parliament (1935-1950), and a Queen's Councillor, is considered the most universally significant lawyer of the middle third of the 20th Century. In 1954, he received a Stalin Peace Prize. (In 1956, Destalinization led to each Laureate being asked to exchange the Stalin Peace Prize medal for a Lenin Peace Prize medal.)

Pritt gained world renown as chairman of the international Legal Commission of Inquiry (held in London) into the 1933 Reichstag Fire, one of the most controversial crimes of modern times whose impact and origins is still hotly debated by scholars. The Commission's *Findings* that the fire was likely started by the Nazis, not the Communists, created a bombshell heard around the world, and probably helped much to stimulate anti-Nazi activism in many countries. Years later, Winston Churchill replaced G. Dimitrov and Pritt as the clear symbol of the "respectable" anti-Nazi movement in the West.

The *Findings* of this "Counter-trial" were announced by Pritt in London on 28 September 1933, days after the start of the Nazi government's trial in Leipzig of a group of Communists on charges of having plotted the arson. Hitler, who had become Reich's Chancellor weeks before the 27 February fire, had attributed it to a Communist conspiracy, using this charge to justify his immediate suspension of civil liberties guaranteed in the Weimar Republic Constitution. The German trial judge's subsequent acquittal of Dimitrov and other Communist defendants was widely seen as a vindication of Pritt's *Findings*.

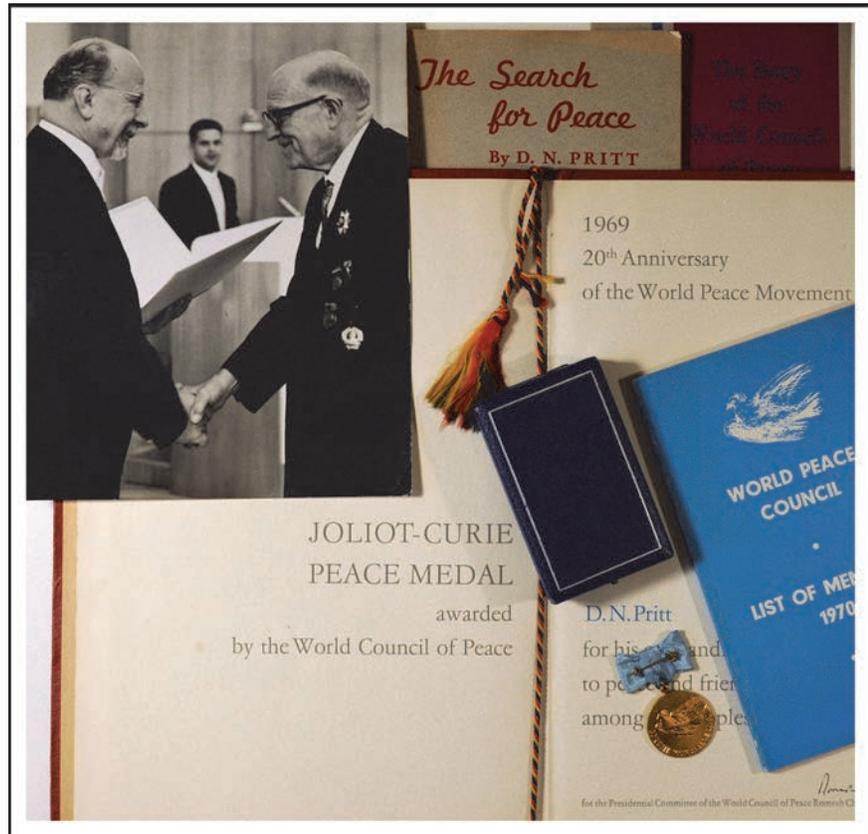
Pritt has been viewed by the Western Right as a classic "fellow traveler", but was never a member of the Communist Party. His services were in the highest demand from business interests, but he would never take a case against "the little guy". He would defend, usually *pro bono*, victims of political prosecutions, the most famous being Jomo Kenyatta, Julius Nyerere, and Ho Chi Minh, whose life was arguably saved by Pritt's intervention in 1931.

Condition:

Problem-free, Extremely rare and of high historical importance \$ 50,000



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3115 Joliot-Curie Peace Medal of the World Council of Peace documented Set to Denis Nowell Pritt, 1969

The Set includes:

- Gold (10k) Joliot-Curie Peace Medal. 17 gm, 29 mm. Bust left of Frédéric Joliot-Curie, the famous Nobel Physics Laureate who led the World Council of Peace from its founding in 1949 until his death in 1958 / Dove, French legend *World Council of Peace*.
- Award Diploma, 220 x 311 mm, which slips into a folder through a cord which wraps vertically across the folder binder, signed by the General Secretary of the World Council of Peace.

*The Gold Medal of Peace was founded in 1951. It was renamed in 1959 the Joliot-Curie Medal of Peace, to honor Joliot-Curie as its first president. As of 2009, the World Council of Peace had issued a total of 168 Peace and other medals, but **this specimen is the first ever offered for auction in the Western World.***

Also included:

- B&W photograph of Pritt wearing the Joliot-Curie Peace Medal and other medals, with Walter Ulbricht.
- Pamphlets and booklets: *The Search for Peace*, by D.N. Pritt (1952); *The Story of the World Council of Peace* (1962); the *World Peace Council List of Members*, 1970.

The World Peace Council is the Soviet-fronted affiliate of the U.S. Peace Council. It describes itself as a "an anti-imperialist, democratic, independent and non-aligned international movement of mass action." It is a non-governmental organization (NGO) member of the United Nations. The WPC was founded in Prague during a "Peace Congress" sponsored by the Soviets and their Czech and other Eastern European satellites. It was headquartered in Helsinki, Finland until the 1990s when it moved to Greece.

Planned and controlled by the International Department of the Communist Party of the USSR, the WPC claimed to represent 600 million "organizers for peace" worldwide. It declined during Gorbachev's tenure in office, but has revived in recent years. The most recent Assembly of the WPC took place in April 2008 in Caracas, Venezuela, involving more than 280 peace delegates from 123 Organizations from 83 countries.

Condition:

Choice and problem-free \$ 10,000