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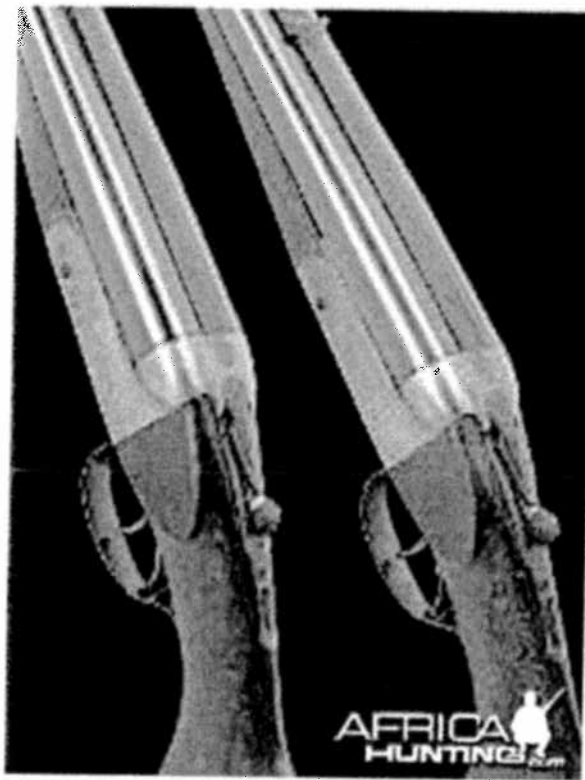
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Philip Percival Pair of .450 boxlock ejector rifles by Joseph Lang

The pair of .450 (3 1/2 in. No. 2 Nitro Express) boxlock ejector rifles by Joseph Lang. The rifles were completed in 1927, as a pair, and that they were bought by Percival on 9th December 1927. After a lifetime hunting Percival had lost none of his fearlessness or accuracy. A few days after his 76th birthday he killed two stock-killing lions with a "right and left" using one of these rifles.

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Philip Percival

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Philip Hope Percival (1886–1966) was a renowned white hunter and early safari guide in colonial Kenya. During his career, he guided Teddy Roosevelt, Baron Rothschild, and Ernest Hemingway on African hunts. Hemingway modelled the fictional hunter Robert Wilson in his story "The Short Happy Life of Francis Macomber" after Percival. Percival also worked with well-known white hunters like Bror von Blixen-Finecke and mentored Sydney Downey and Harry Selby, and was known in African hunting circles as the "Dean of Hunters".

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Early life

Percival was born in Newcastle upon Tyne in Northern England, at the tail end of the 19th century.^[1] When Philip was still quite young, his older brother Blaney (born 1875) went off to East Africa, and proceeded to send Philip several exciting accounts of his life as a game warden there. When Philip turned 21 he inherited a small sum of money and struck out to join his brother in Africa, sailing to Mombasa.^[2] Percival settled in Limuru, where he grew coffee and wheat and bred ostriches, cattle and horses.^[1]

Hunting life

Upon reaching Africa, Percival was quick to pick up hunting with his brother, and Harold and Clifford Hill, who were also ostrich farmers. The ostriches they raised were used as bait to lure lion and other big game. At first, Percival mainly hunted lion with the Hills, but in time he started to lead hunting trips of his own. Initially he charged clients a fee of ten pounds per week and an additional twenty-five pounds per lion and in those days guides like Percival only provided the wagon, pack animals and a couple of assistants, leaving the clients to provide their own food, drink, tents and bedding.^[3]

Teddy Roosevelt safari

In 1909, Philip's brother Blaney had been instrumental in bringing then Colonel Teddy Roosevelt to East Africa for a safari and Philip was given the opportunity to work as an assistant hunter on the trip.^[4] Roosevelt remembered Percival well, writing about him:

"At Bondoni was Percival, a tall, sinewy man, a fine rider and shot—like so many other men whom I met, he wore merely a helmet, a flannel shirt, short breeches or trunks, and puttees and boots. I shall not forget seeing him one day as he walked beside his twelve-ox team, cracking his long whip, while in the big wagon sat pretty Mrs. Percival with a puppy, and little cheetah cub, which we had found and presented to her and which she was taming."^[2]

After the Roosevelt safari, Percival decided to become a full-time white hunter and one of his first solo clients was Baron Rothschild, but he also conducted safaris for other royals like the Duke and Duchess of Connaught.^[5]

Company man

As he became more ingrained into the hunting life, Percival joined the safari company Newland and Tarlton, along with other hunters like Alan Black.^[6] When Newland and Tarlton dissolved in 1919, and Safariland was created out of its ashes, he stayed on with that outfit as well.^[7] During this time, he mentored a new generation of hunters like Sydney Downey and Harry Selby.^[8] Percival also went on to become the first president of the East African Professional Hunter's Association, a position he served in for 15 years.^{[9][10]} In 1930, before his tenure as EAPHA president, Percival left Safariland to team up with Bror von Blixen-Finecke in the joint venture Tanganyika Guides Ltd., of which he was the Kenya director, with Bror heading up the Tanganyika operation.^{[11][11]}

Ernest Hemingway

During his partnership with von Blixen, Percival guided Ernest Hemingway on both of Hemingway's African safaris, the first coming in 1934. Hemingway struck up a friendship with Percival, affectionately calling him "Pop", a name they used for each other,^[12] and also one of the monikers Hemingway gave to Jackson Philips in *The Green Hills of Africa*, a character modelled on Percival.^[13] Hemingway also considered Percival a great teacher,^[12] and most notably molded the Percival he knew into the character of Robert Wilson, in "The Short Happy Life of Francis Macomber".^[11] Yet Percival was not the only model for Wilson, and indeed critics have identified Bror von Blixen as another influence,^[14] especially in terms of Wilson's "cynicism and womanizing".^[15]

Legacy

The legacy of Philip Percival, the "Dean of Hunters",^{[14][16]} runs deeper than his influence on Hemingway. Percival also mentored a new generation of African hunters, including Sydney Downey, who called him "the greatest white hunter of all time", and Harry Selby, who himself went on to captivate a new generation of foreigners through the travel writings of Robert Ruark.^[17]



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Philip Hope Percival (1886-1966)

Philip Percival traveled to British East Africa in 1906. He was the younger brother of Blayne Percival (Game Ranger's Notebook, 1924), game ranger and the first game warden of Kenya (1915-1923). Philip tried his hand at ostrich farming, but after the Roosevelt safari, he went into the safari business and never looked back.

Philip Percival's fame was the result of being in the right place at the right time--twice. In 1909, when Percival was but twenty-three, Kenya settler Sir Alfred Pease hosted the Roosevelt safari at his home in Katanga, Kenya, where they planned to hunt lion on the nearby plains. Pease engaged the Hill cousins, both already famous lion hunters, and young Percival for the hunt. The Roosevelt safari changed Percival's life.

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From left to right, Ben Fourie, Charles Thompson, Philip Percival and Renee, holding trophies, Kijungu Camp, 1954

He was a seasoned professional hunter approaching his middle years when, a quarter-century later, he had his second brush with immortality: He guided Ernest Hemingway and became part of literature as "Pop" in *The Green Hills of Africa* (1935). They were both much older when Hemingway returned to Africa and hunted again with Percival twenty years later. That encounter can be found in Hemingway's posthumously published true at First Light.

At the beginning of Percival's career, a safari was a lengthy affair requiring weeks of travel by ship just to get to the starting point. At the end of his career, he met his clients at the Nairobi airport. Established early and universally respected, he became one of the highest-paid hunters of the 20th century.



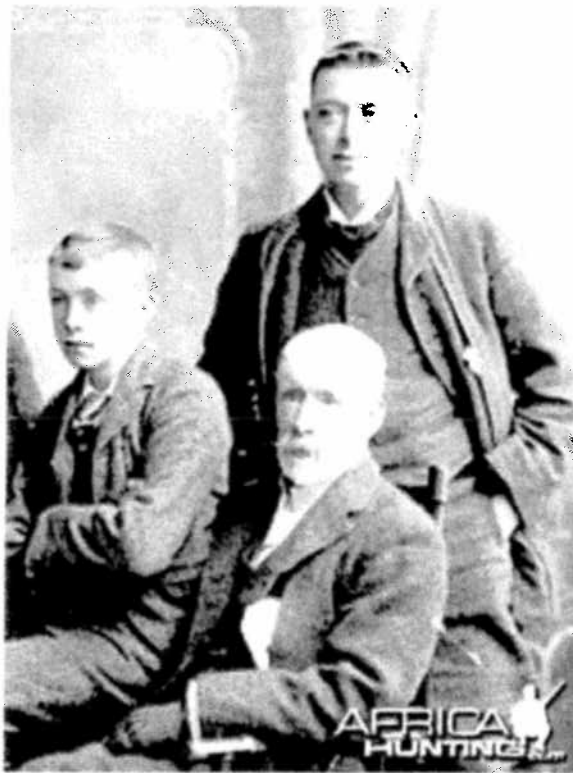
Philip Hope Percival Trophies - Renee

Some of his famous clients included Baron Rothschild, the Duke and Duchess of Connaught and actor Gary Cooper. He worked with pioneer filmmakers Martin and OSA Johnson and George Eastman and was a great friend of explorer/naturalist Carl Akely.

One of his early partners in the safari business was Bror Blixen, husband of Karen Blixen (*Out of Africa*). In later years he mentored a whole generation of professional hunters, including Sid Downey and Harry Selby. He was acknowledged by his peers as the Dean of Professional Hunters and was elected to thirty-four consecutive terms as president of the East African



Professional Hunters Association.

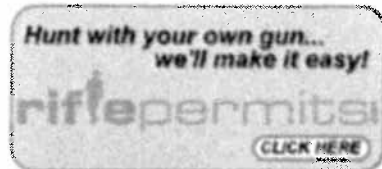


Philip Percival, White Hunter

Traveling to British East Africa in 1906, Philip tried his hand at Ostrich farming. Finding that his Ostrich were little more than Lion bait, he gained experience quickly in the "art" of hunting Lion. When not hunting Lion to protect his Ostrich, he began taking clients out Lion hunting for the sum of ten British pounds per week and twenty-five pounds per Lion. After the Roosevelt Safari, he took on the safari trade in earnest and never looked back. On these early safaris, the sportsman provided their own food, drink, tents, and bedding. Percival was feeling his way through a new profession but more importantly he was gaining valuable experience in dealing with dangerous game. After the Roosevelt safari, because of the enormous publicity that it generated, sportsmen from all over the world began showing up in Africa. The advent of the "white hunter" and the safari trade had come.

Philip Percival was one of the earliest established professional hunters, respected by all, he became one of the highest paid hunters of his day.

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some of his experiences, which was published shortly after his death under the title *Hunting, Settling, and Remembering* (1967). Although copies of the book are rare, his encounters with Hemmingway and Roosevelt, and their comments about him, serve to ensure his memory survives. Philip Percival completed a manuscript that was published in a small run after his death (*Hunting, Settling, and Remembering*), but regrettably it's out of print. But, like Selby, Percival didn't need to write his own books to become famous. After all, he had the likes of Roosevelt (*African Game Trails*) and Hemingway to do that for him.

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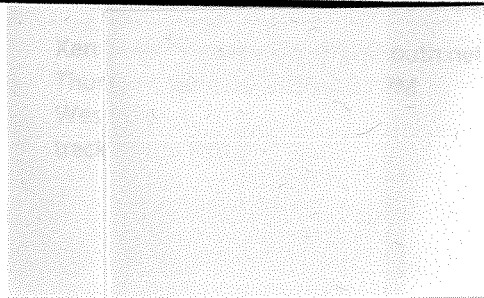
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A few days after his 76th birthday, Percival killed two stock-killing lions with a right and left from one of the rifles offered in this lot.

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