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Colt, by the means of this letter, is proud to authenticate the manufacture of the following Colt firearm:

COLT SINGLE ACTION ARMY REVOLVER

<i>Serial Number</i>	<i>48504</i>
<i>Caliber:</i>	<i>.45/c</i>
<i>Barrel Length:</i>	<i>Not Listed</i>
<i>Finish:</i>	<i>Blue</i>
<i>Type of Stocks:</i>	<i>Not Listed</i>
<i>Sold To:</i>	<i>United States Government</i>
<i>Delivered To:</i>	<i>United States Government Inspector</i>
	<i>At Colt Plant</i>
<i>Date of Shipment:</i>	<i>July 24, 1878</i>
<i>Number of Same Type</i>	
<i>Guns in Shipment:</i>	<i>150</i>

We trust the information supplied above will be of interest.

Sincerely,

Kathleen J. Hoyt

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Historian

KJH:jm

Office of the Historian, Colt's Manufacturing Company, Inc. P. O. Box 1868, Hartford, CT 06144



Smooth BORE MARCH 13 2006 SALE



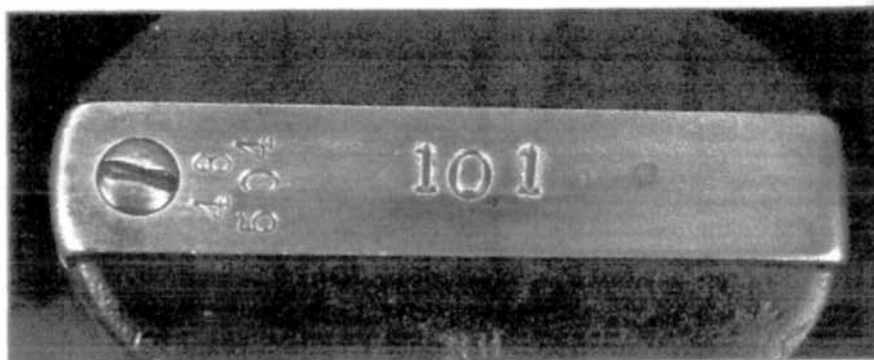
410. **NETTLETON INSPECTED CALVARY MODEL SINGLE ACTION ARMY REVOLVER WITH 101 RANCH USE.** Cal. 45 colt. SN 48504. Fine martial colt with 7-7/16" bbl that has been bored out to smoothbore. It has the orig sight with three line patent numbers on the frame and 1-pc walnut grip. It has the second style ejector rod housing with bullseye ejector rod head. Left side of the frame has "101" stamped over the large "U.S.". The 101 stamping also appear on the butt strap. The HN inspector initials appear on the bbl, frame, hammer, trigger guard, cylinder & top of the back strap. Grip has a tiny "HN" on the bottom of the right side but there is no evidence of a cartouche on either side. This exact revolver is pic-

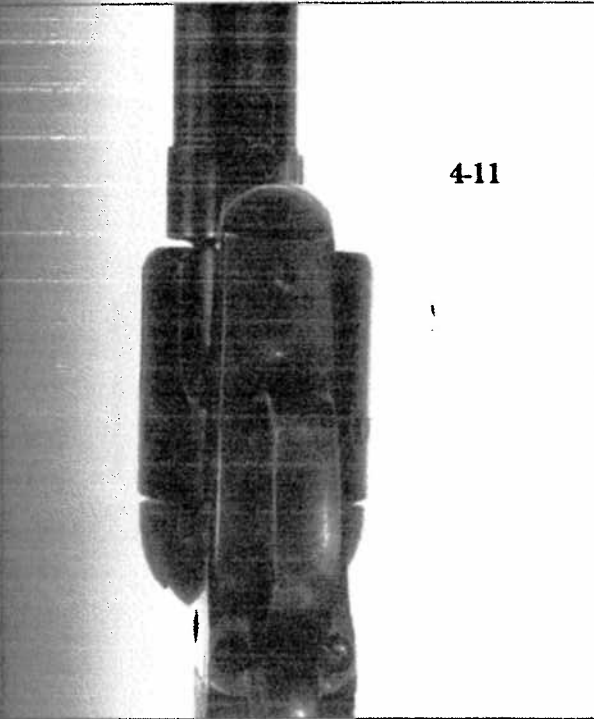
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tured on page 61 of *Cavalry & Artillery Revolvers* a *Continuing Study*, Kopec & Fenn. Accompanied by a Colt factory letter identifying this revolver with bbl length and type of stocks not listed and indicating shipment April 24th, 1878 to the US Government Inspector at the Colt plant in a shipment 150 same type guns. Also accompanying is a letter from the Springfield Research Service where in it states this revolver was issued to Pvt. William Hageman of Troop K of the 3rd US Volunteer Cavalry. It was reported stolen on July 28th, 1898 at Camp Thomas Georgia and apparently never recovered. Pvt. Hageman was from Nebraska and had enlisted in the Nebraska National Guard prior to his unit being assigned to the 3rd US Volunteer Cavalry on May 1, 1898. They remained on active duty in Georgia until they were mustered out September 8, 1898. An additional

packet of information details Pvt. Hageman's military service and a record of the board of inquiry regarding the loss of the revolver. Additionally accompanying is a letter from Jerry L. Murphey to Mr. Paul Hoffman of Vista, CA authenticating the 101 stampings. Ex Paul Hoffman collection. **CONDITION:** As noted regarding the bbl, otherwise is fine retaining a smooth even light artificially aged patina overall with some very fine pitting on the bbl. Trigger guard & back strap screws are replacements. Grip is sound showing light to moderate wear and a few light nicks & scratches and retains a smooth hand worn patina. Mechanics are crisp. Light pitted bore. Undoubtedly this was one of the 101 Ranch trick shooter's show gun. 4-57882 JR327 (15,000-25,000)





Historically Documented H.N. Revolvers

- #47636 — Cebu Police (ART)
- #47944 — Cebu Police
- #48168 — Cebu Police (ART)
- #48200 — "X" Revolver
- #48348 — Cebu Police (ART)
- #48411 — Keyes
- #48504 — 101 Ranch
- #48523 — Troop "F" 6th Cav-1888
- #48528 — Troop "F" 6th Cav-1888
- #48530 — Cebu Police (ART)
- #48664 — Troop "G" 1st Cav-1891
- #48741 — Cebu Police
- #48818 — Troop "K" 8th Cav
- #48836 — Troop "K" 8th Cav
- #49300 — Cebu Police
- #49347 — Keyes
- #49689 — Benicia Arsenal
- #50096 — Keyes
- #50240 — Ben Morrison*
- #50581 — Cebu Police

*Pine Ridge Indian Reservation

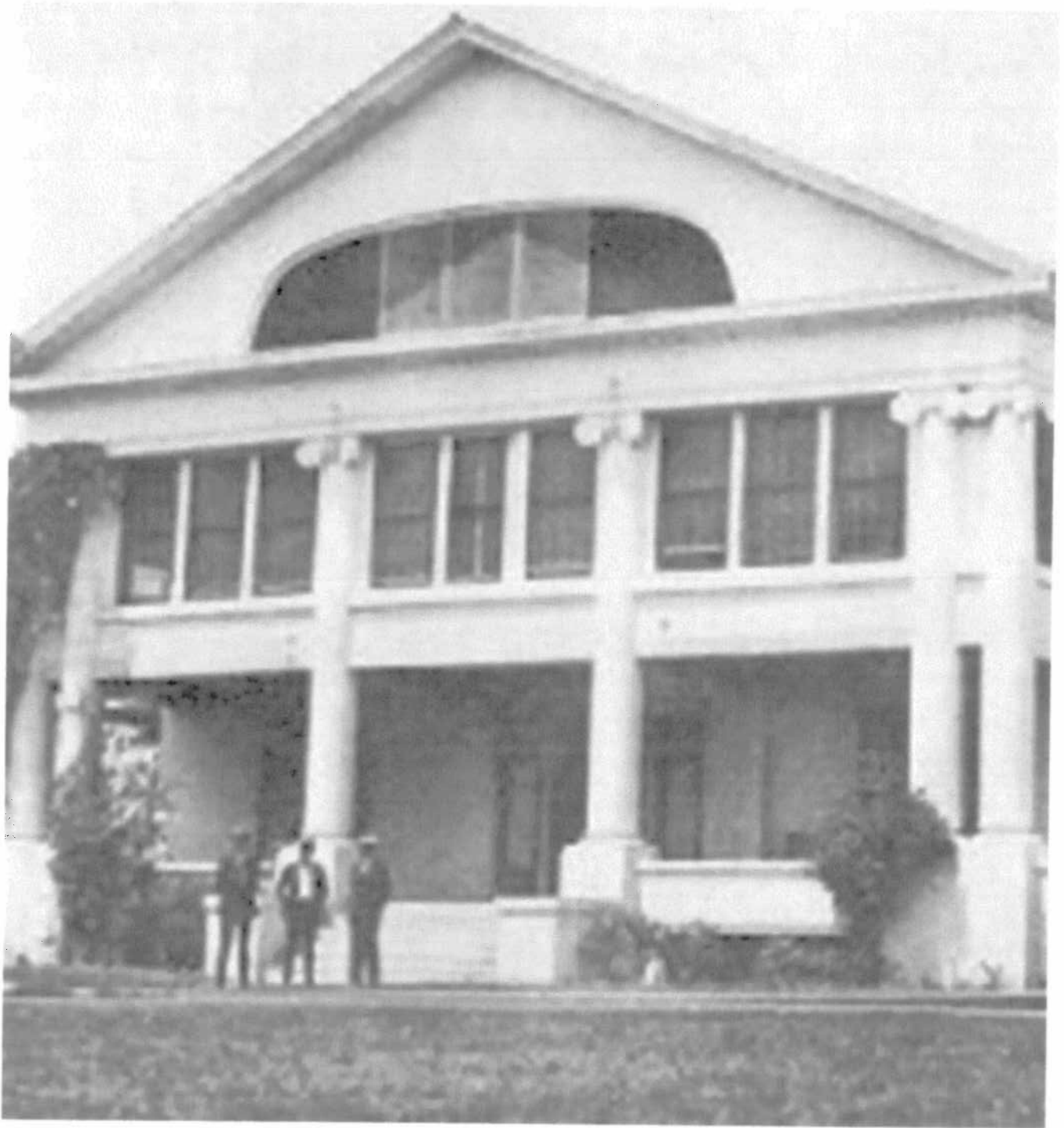
4-10 (opposite page): A full left-side view of U.S. Cavalry revolver #48953. This revolver, along with #48132, was sold to R.B. Russell by the Springfield Armory in 1922. James Fuquay collection, author's photograph

4-11: An underside view of the Henry Nettleton revolver #48953. One of a pair of like revolvers sold by the Springfield Armory in 1922 to R.B. Russell. James Fuquay collection, author's photograph

4-12: A left-side view of Henry Nettleton revolver #48504. This revolver was used by the 101 Ranch of Oklahoma and is stamped with that identification over the "U.S." Late Paul Hoffman collection, author's photograph



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From Book: Colt Cavalry & Artillery Revolvers, a Continuing Study



101 Ranch White House



SIGNIFICATE EVENTS AT THE 101 RANCH

Feb. 22, 1841	George Washington Miller was born in Crab Orchard, Kentucky.
Jan. 9, 1866	George W. Miller married Mary Anne (Molly) Carson in Louisville, Ky.
Oct. 18, 1866	Wilkes Booth Miller was born in Kentucky
March 12, 1868	Joseph Carson Miller was born in Crab Orchard, Ky.
April 20, 1870	John Fish Miller was born in Newtonia, Mo.
August 27, 1870	Wilkes Booth Miller died in Missouri, buried in Kentucky
1870	George Miller and family left Kentucky
1871	George Miller established a ranch near Miami, Ok.
March 29, 1872	John Fish Miller died in Newtonia, Mo., buried in Kentucky
June 21, 1875	Alma Miller was born in Newtonia, Mo.
1878	George W. Miller became acquainted with the Ponca Indian Tribe
April 26, 1878	Zachary Taylor Miller was born in Baxter Springs, Ks.
1880	The 101 Ranch Brand came into use.
Sept. 9, 1881	George Lee Miller was born in Winfield, Ks.
1892	George W. Miller leased lands from the Ponca Indians along the Salt Fork River and established the 101 Ranch.
1896	Joe Miller married Lizzie Trosper.
1903	Publication of the 101 Ranch newspaper the "Bliss Breeze". George W. Miller died April 25, 1903 from pneumonia at age 61 and was buried at Crab Orchard, Ky.

June 11, 1905	The 101 hosted the National Editorial Association meeting.
1905-1906	101 Ranch Wild West Show toured Mexico, Canada and the United States.
1906	Zack Miller married Mabel Pettyjohn.
1907	Zack and Mabel Miller's daughter Virginia Miller was born
1908	George L. Miller married May Porter.
Jan. 14, 1909	The Ranch house burned and a new White House was constructed that year
1910	Oil was discovered, the Molly Miller Well
1910	The 101 Ranch Oil Co. was organized.
1912	Zack and Mabel Miller divorced
1912	George and May Miller's daughter Margaret Miller was born
1914	The 101 Ranch show performed in England and all the stock and equipment was commandeered by the British Army.
1916	Buffalo Bill toured with the 101 Ranch Show.
1917	Joe and Lizzie Miller divorced
1917	101 Show closed until after World War I.
1917-1924	The 101 Ranch furnished stock for the U.S. government during World War I.
July 31, 1918	Molly Miller died and was buried in the Ponca City I.O.O.F. Cemetery
1918	General Store and Office building was built by WWI POW's
1919	Zack Miller married Margurite Blevins.
1920	Zack and Margurite Miller's son Zack Jr. was born
1921	The Miller Brothers 101 Ranch Trust was formed.
1922	Zack and Margurite Miller's son Blevins Miller was born
1922	The 101 hosted the Oklahoma Press Association.
1923	The 101 sponsored the Cherokee Strip Cowpunchers Association. The 101 Magazine was published.

1924	A new 101 Ranch Show was started.
1924	The 101 hosted the National Editorial Association meeting again.
1925	The 101 Ranch Show toured the United States and Europe.
Aug. 21, 1926	Joe Miller married Mary Verlin.
1926	The 101 hosted the National Realtors meeting.
May, 1927	Joe and May Miller's son Will Brooks Miller was born
1927	The 101 Ranch hosted the American Association of Petroleum Geologist.
Oct 21, 1927	Joe Miller died of carbon monoxide poisoning. Buried in the Ponca City I.O.O.F. Cemetery.
April, 1928	101 Ranch Wild West Show went on the road.
Feb 2, 1929	George Miller died in a car wreck. Buried in Ponca City I.O.O.F. Cemetery
1929	The 101 Ranch drilled its 13th dry oil well
1930	Zack Miller took the 101 Ranch Show on the road again.
1932	The government purchased about 8,000 acres of the 101 Ranch for a resettlement project.
1932	The 101 Ranch equipment and livestock was sold off.
July 5, 1936	The 101 Ranch household furnishings were sold off.
1939	The 101 Ranch show closed, completely broke after the New York World's Fair
1940	A move was made to try to preserve the 101 Ranch Whitehouse
1941	The 101 Ranch land was sold to the Federal Farm Security Administration and divided into 34 farms.
1943	The Federal Farm Security Administration sold the remaining 101 Ranch buildings for \$500 to a salvage company. The White House and most of the other buildings were razed.
1946	Zack Miller purchased the 101 Ranch Store

	and continued to operate it
January 3, 1952	Zack Miller died in Texas and was buried on "Cowboy Hill".
1959 and 1961	The Oklahoma State Legislature tried to appropriate funds to purchase and rebuild the 101 Ranch site, but died for lack of funds.
1959	Zack Miller deeded Cowboy Hill to the Oklahoma Historical Society
1972	The 101 Ranch Museum was established at the Ponca City Cultural Center (now Marland's Grand Home)
1974	The 101 Ranch was placed on the National Register of Historic Places.
1975	The 101 Ranch was designated a National Historical Landmark.
Sept. 22, 1987	101 Ranch General Store burned to the ground.
1996	Riprap project was done to keep the Salt Fork River from overtaking the 101 Ranch area lands.
Aug 17, 1996	The 101 Ranch Roadside Picnic Area was opened

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Spanish War

Co. K, 3rd, Reg't U.S. Vol. Cav'l'y

Company Muster-out Roll (Caption of Roll)

Muster-out Roll of Captain Jacob H. Culver Co. K, 3rd Reg't of U. S. Vol. Cav. Volunteers, commanded by Colonel Melving (sp?) Grigsby called into the service of the United State by President at Lincoln, Nebraska (the place of general rendezvous), on the 14th day of May, 1898, to serve for the term of two (2) years from date of enrollment, unless sooner discharged.

The company was organized by Captain Jacob H. Culver at Milford, Nebraska in the month of May, 1898, and marched thence to Lincoln, Nebr. where it arrived on the 13th day of May 1898. Distance marched 20 miles.

Spanish War

Co. K, Reg't U.S. Vol. Cav.

Company Muster-out Roll

Dated September 8, 1898, shows station of company,
Camp Geo. H. Thomas Ga.

Record of Events

Troop K (?) of the Nebraska National Guard stationed at Milford, Nebraska. After having served ten (10) years and seven (7) months was, by direction of the Sec. of War, assigned to Col. Melvin Grigsby's third Regiment, United State Vol. Cavalry. Reported to Col. Melvin Grigsby for duty May 1, 1898 and Capt. Jacob H. Culver was authorized by him to properly enroll (?) said Troop on May 7, 1898, which was proceeded with as speedily as possible and examination made by Dr. _____. Under directions of the Adjutant General of the State of Nebraska, the command was moved on May 12, 1898 to Lincoln, Nebraska, and reported for muster in to Jeb (?) Statsenburg (?) of the United State Cavalry as Mustering (?) Officer. Re-examined and then listed (?) with United States Service, May 14, 1898 and, by order of Col. Melvin Grigsby, the Troop was designated as K Troop (USV) Third United State Volunteer Cavalry. Re_____ in Camp Alvin Saunders drilling until

[May] 20/98, when by order of the Sec. of War, the Troop was transferred from Lincoln, Nebraska to Chickamauga Park, Ga. Arriving at Chickamauga May 22/98 then went into Camp at Chickamauga Park the following day, where it has remained from that date to the present time being equipped and drilled in Troop, Squadron and Regimental drill. August 27, 1898 Order for march to Lexington, Ky. Sept. 2, 1898. Order _____ and order to prepare for muster out of service.

(Spanish War.)
H. 3 Cav. U.S. Vols.

William Hagerman
 Pvt., Co. H, 3 Reg't U. S. Vol. Cavalry.

Appears on
Company Muster-in Roll
 of the organization named above. Roll dated
Lincoln Nbr., May 14, 1898.
 Mustered in *May 14, 1898.*
 Age *18* yrs; height *5* feet *5 3/4* inches.
 Complexion *Fair*; eyes *Brown*; hair *Brown*.
 Where born *Seward Nbr.*
 Occupation *Farmer.*

Joined for duty and enrolled:
 When *May 14, 1898.*
 Where *Lincoln Nbr.*
 Period *2* years.

Travel from residence to place of rendezvous:
 Residence *Beaver Crossing*
 No. of miles *32.*

Married or single *Single.*
 If single, name and address of parent or guardian;
Le. A. Hagerman,
Beaver Nbr.

Remarks:
William Hagerman

Book mark: *R.P. 65994*

C. Hagerman
 (601) Copyist.

(Spanish War.)
H. 3 Cav. U.S. Vols.

William Hagerman
 Pvt., Co. H, 3 Reg't U. S. Vol. Cavalry.

Appears on
Company Muster-out Roll
 of the organization named above. Roll dated
Camp Grant, N. H., Sep. 8, 1898.
 Mustered out *Sep. 8, 1898.*

Joined for duty and enrolled:
 When *May 11, 1898.*
 Where *Milford Nbr.*

Last paid by *Map. Arrick*
 Last paid to *July 11, 1898.*
 Place of residence *Milford Nbr.*
 Place of discharge *Camp Grant, N. H.*

Furnished by himself since mustered into service:
 Subsistence _____ days; forage _____ days.

Clothing:
 Due U. S. \$ _____, cts. _____; due Soldier \$ *12*, cts. *61*

Due U. S. for arms and equipments \$ _____, cts. _____
 Due U. S. for Q. M. Stores & equipage \$ _____, cts. _____

Remarks:
Detained Wagner, Aug. 1, 1898.

* Signature on Roll -
William Hagerman

Book mark: _____

C. Hagerman
 (604) Copyist.

Proceedings of a Board of Survey which convened at
Camp George W.(?) Thomas pursuant to the following order:

Headquarters 1st Cavalry Brigade
Camp George W. Thomas
Chickamauga Park, Ga

Special Order 217

August 31, 1898

A board of Survey to consist of Major Leigh W. Frank (sp?), 3rd U.S. Vol. Cavalry, Capt. Jos. T. Brown, 3rd U.S. Vol. Cav., Lieut. George Wedekind (sp?), 3rd U.S. Vol. Cav, recorder, will at once convene at the headquarters, 3rd U.S. Vol. Cav., to inquire into, report upon and fix the responsibility for the loss of certain ordinance supplies for which Capt. J.H. Culver commanding Troop K, 3rd U.S. Vol. Cav., is responsible.

By Order of Col. Grigsby (sp?)

Name illegible
Adj, 3rd U.S> vol. Cav
Actg, Asst. Adj Gen

Proceedings of a Board of Survey which convened at
Camp George H. Thomas, pursuant to the following
order:

Special Order 217

Headquarters 1st Cavalry Brigade,
Camp George H. Thomas

Chickamauga Park Ga

August 31 1898

A Board of Survey to consist of Major Leigh H. French,
3rd U.S. Vol Cavalry, Capt. Jos. T. Brown, 3rd U.S. Vol Cav.
Lieut. George Medehind 3rd U.S. Vol Cav, recorder, will at
once convene at the headquarters 3rd U.S. Vol Cav, to enquire
into, report upon and fix the responsibility for the loss of
certain ordnance supplies for which Capt. J. H. Culver
commanding Troop 17, 3rd U.S. Vol. Cav. is responsible

By Order of Col. King

O. L. Sues

Adj't, 3rd U.S. Vol Cav

Actg. Asst Adj't Genl

Ex "11"

Headquarters 3rd U.S. Inf. Cav.

Camp George H. Thomas Sta

} Affidavit in support of
Recommendation to Release from
Property Liability

William Haggeman, being first duly sworn deposes
and says that he is a private in Troop K 3rd U.S.

Vol Cav. and ^{was} detailed at the time herein after mentioned
as Troop Transporter; That on or about the 28th day of

July 1895 revolver 45504 and holster No 35, and
cartridge belt attached to the same all of which had
been heretofore issued by lawful authority to
deponent were stolen from the tent of deponent;

That deponent immediately reported said theft to
Lieut Culver who was then in command of
said Troop K and that strict search was made
by deponent but that affiant was unable to
discover the identity of said thief or recover said
property or any part of the same and further affirms
saith not.

William Haggeman

Subscribed in my presence and
sworn to before me this 31 day of
August 1895

D. H. Connor

1 Lieut. 3rd U.S. Vol. Cav.

J. A. C. M.

Ex. "A"

Headquarters 3rd U.S. Vol. Cav.
Camp George W. Thomas Ga.

Affidavit in support of
Recommendation & Relieve from
Property liability

William Haggeman (sic), being first duly sworn, deposes and says that he is a private in Troop K 3rd U.S. Vol. Cav. and was detailed at the times hereinafter mentioned as Troop Teamster: that on or about the 28th day of July 1898 revolver 48504 and holster No. 38, and cartridge belt attached to the same all of which had been heretofore issued by lawful authority to deponent were stole from the tent of deponent; That deponent immediately reported said theft to Lieut. Culver who was then in command of said Troop K and that strict search was made by deponent but this affiant was unable to discover the identity of said thief or recover said property or any part of the same and further affiant saith not.

William Hageman (s)

Subscribed in my presence and
Sworn to before me this 31 day of
August 1898.

D__ C____ (illegible)
Lieut. 3rd U.S. Vol. Cav.
J.A. ____ (illegible)

The Board met pursuant to the foregoing order
at eight o'clock P.M. on the 31st day of August 1898

Present all members of said Board:

And proceeding to the business before it examined and
considered the affidavits of privates William Haggman
Fred A. Brown, and Sherman H. Mason, herewith appended
and marked respectively "A", "B", "C".

The Board after considering carefully the evidence
adduced are of the opinion that Captain J. H. Culver and
each of said privates aforesaid to wit: Sherman H. Mason
Fred A. Brown and William Haggman exercised due
care and vigilance and should not be held responsible
for the loss of said Ordnances except to wit: revolver
#48504 and holster No 8 and of cartridge belt to which the
revolver was attached, revolver #119817 and holster No 27 and
revolver #6321 and would recommend that Captain J. H. Culver
be allowed to drop from his return the property herewith
set forth.

Jos N Brown
member

V. H. French

President Major S. W. L. C.

Geo W. Medeiros
Recorder

This Board met pursuant to the foregoing order at eight o'clock P.M. on the 31st day of August 1898.

Present all members of said Board:

And proceeding to the business before it acquired and considered the affidavits of privates William Haggeman (sp?), Fred A. Gwin (sp?) and Sherman W. Mason, hereunder appended and marked respectively "A," "B," and "C."

The Board after considering _ the evidence adduced are of the opinion that Captain J. H. Culver and each of said privates aforesaid to wit: Sherman W. Mason, Fred A. Gwin (sp?) and William Haggeman (sp?) exercised due care and vigilance and should not be held responsible for the loss of said Ordinance supplies, to wit: revolver #48504 and holster No. 38 and cartridge belt to which the same was attached, revolver #119817 and holster No. 27 and revolver #6321 and would recommend that Captain J. H. Culver be allowed to drop from his return the property herein before set forth.

? French (sp?)

President, Major 3rd U.S. V. C.

Joseph Brown (s)
Member

Geo. Wedekind (s)
Recorder

(Spanish War.)

Co. N., 3^d Reg't M. & V. Cal.

Company Muster-out Roll

(CAPTION OF ROLL.)

MUSTER-OUT ROLL of Captain Jacob H. Culver
Co. [N.], 3^d Reg't
of M. & V. Cal. Volunteers, commanded by
Colonel McClung Grigby
called into the service of the United States by
President
at Lincoln Nebraska
(the place of general rendezvous), on the 14th
day of May, 1898, to serve for the
term of two (2) years from date of enroll-
ment, unless sooner discharged.

The company was organized by Captain
Jacob H. Culver
at Nebraska
in the month of May, 1898, and
marched thence to Lincoln Neb.
where it arrived on the 13th day of May
1898. Distance marched 20 miles.

[OVER]

(Spanish War.)

Co. N., 3^d Reg't M. & V. Cal.

Company Muster-out Roll

dated September 5, 1898,
shows station of company,

Camp Geo. H. Thomas Co.

RECORD OF EVENTS.

Troop A. of the Nebraska
National Guard Stationed at
Nebraska. After having
served the (10) years and (7)
months was by direction of the Sec
of War assigned to Col McClun
Grigby's Third Regt. United States
Vol. Inf. Reported to Col McClun
Grigby for duty May 12 1898 and
Capt. Jacob H. Culver was
ordered by him to properly enroll said
Troop on May 7 1898 which
was proceeded with as rapidly
as possible and examination
made by Dr. Longbridge
Under direction of the Adjutant
General of the State of Nebraska
the command was marched on
May 12/98 to Lincoln Nebraska
and reported for muster-in to
the State Armory of the 6th United
States Cavalry as Muster-in Officer
Re examined and mustered
into United States Service May
14 1898 and by order of Col
McClun Grigby the Troop was
designated as the Troop (arr.)

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Third United States Volunteer
Cavalry Regiment in Camp
Alvin Saunders drilling until
20/98, when by order
of the Secy of War the Troop
was transferred from Seaside
Oregon to Chickamauga Park
Ga. Arriving at Chickamauga
May 22/98. Troop moved into
Camp at Chickamauga Park
the following day, where it
has remained from that date
to the present time being equipped
and drilled in Troop, Squad-
ron and Regimental drill.
Aug. 27. 1898. Order for March
to Lexington Ky. Sept. 2. 1898.
Order Christmas ordered and
order to prepare for Muster
out of service.



COLLECTORS

RUTH & JERRY L. MURPHEY
10701 Timbergrove Lane
Corpus Christi, Texas 78410
(512) 241-2213

Mr. Paul Hoffman
Box 147
Vista, Ca. 92083

Dear Mr. Hoffman,

I received your letter and the rub offs of the 101 markings on your 1892 Winchester and your Colt single action, US marked.

The 1892 No. 146501 - The size and style of the die stamps "101" are the proper die stamps of the late show which Zack was trying to bring back again in California. I have seen two other 1892's marked on side of leaver, same place and same dies, one of which was engraved and gold washed and marked Lottie Aldridge, who was a trick shot artist on horseback. The engraving unique, but no mention of it from the factory. There are wild west show scenes on it, but the same 101 die stamps.

Your Colt S A also has late marking, meaning 1928 to 30. I have seen several S A's with this same die and marked in identical spots. It does not surprise me being a US gun as the Miller Brothers bought a lot of government surplus from Mr. Bannerman during their numerous trips to New York. They needed literally hundreds of stage props for a show of this size. Please take note the distance between the ones and the zero. The spacing is most generally wider between the back one and the zero.

I am taking pleasure of keeping the ruboffs to retain in my records if it is alright with you. Sorry it took me so long to reply. My company has really been keeping me busy, but I guess we must make a living first so we can buy these old things.

Yours truly,

Jerry
Jerry L. Murphey

**THE DOCUMENTED HISTORY OF
COLT SINGLE ACTION ARMY REVOLVER
SERIAL NUMBER: 48504**

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**DOCUMENTED HISTORY OF
COLT SINGLE ACTION ARMY REVOLVER
SERIAL NUMBER: 48504**

I. COLT FACTORY LETTER

Serial Number:	48504
Caliber:	.45c
Barrel Length:	Not Listed
Finish:	Blue
Type Of Stocks:	Not Listed
Sold To:	United States Government
Delivered To :	U.S. Government Inspector At Colt Plan
Date Of Shipment:	July 24, 1878
Number In Shipment:	150

II. SPRINGFIELD RESEARCH SERVICE

Researcher:	Franklin B. Mallory Chief Researcher
Source:	Nation Archives
Records Of:	U.S. Army Overseas Operations And Commands Record Group 395, Entry 62
Researchers Notes:	"This revolver was classified as an artillery model based on the fact that records do not state its configuration and artillery models were issued to all volunteer calvary units. In as much as this revolver is still in its original cavalry configuration, this can be taken to indicate that this revolver was issued to the state of

Nebraska before the war and was carried into Federal service.

III. UNITED STATES ARMY RECORDS - NATIONAL ARCHIVES

- * Revolver issued to PRIVATE WILLIAM HAGGEMAN during the SPANISH-AMERICAN WAR.
- * William Haggeman enrolled at age 18 in Lincoln, Nebraska. He was born at Seward, Nebraska. He is described as 5'5-3/4" in height, fair complexioned with brown eyes and light brown hair. By occupation, he was a farmer. In the Cavalry, he was a wagoner.
- * Private Haggeman's unit originated in Lincoln as Troop A of the Nebraska National Guard. They were assigned to the U.S. Army as Troop of the 3rd U.S. Volunteer Cavalry during the Spanish-American War.
- * After drilling at Lincoln, Nebraska, they were transferred to Chickamauga Park, Georgia.
- * Board of Survey convened at Camp George H. Thomas, Georgia on August 31, 1898.

Records Of Said Board State:

1. Colt Revolver, #48504, had been issued to Private William Haggeman, Troop K, 3rd U.S. Volunteer Army;
2. On or about July 18, 1898, revolver #48504, along with holster No. 38 and cartridge were stolen from Private Haggeman's tent. Two other soldiers suffered same fate;
3. Findings of Board: "Private Haggeman had exercised due care and vigilance and should not be held responsible for the loss of said ordinance supplies to wit: revolver #48504 and holster No. 38 and cartridge belt."

No records of articles being recovered.

IV. 101 RANCH

Revolver became part of the private collection of MR. PAUL HOFFMAN. Mr. Hoffman obtained documentation as to the authenticity and history of the "101" stampings appearing on #48504 from Mr. Jerry L. Murphey, 101 Ranch Collectors, Corpus Christi, Texas. Mr. Murphey's letter to Mr. Hoffman states:

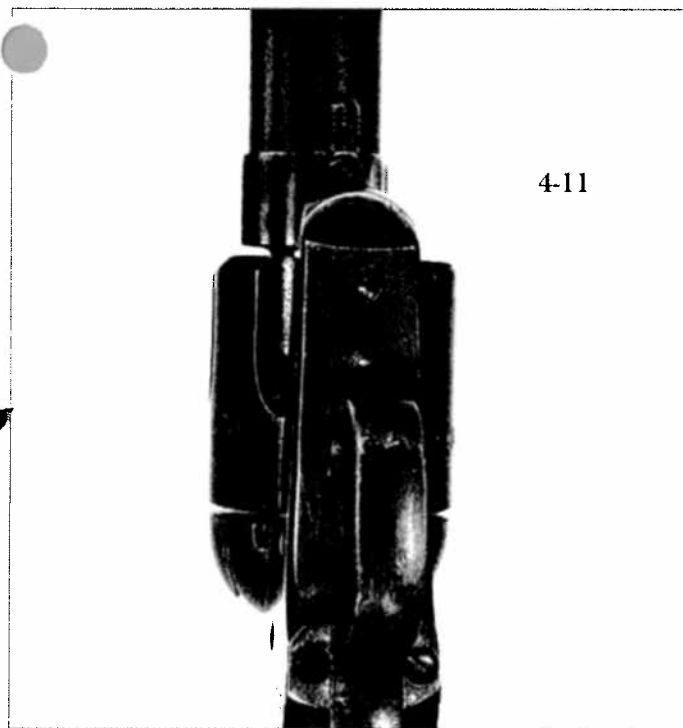
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CONTINUING STUDY"**

John A. Kopec & H. Sterling Fenn

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"48504 Henry Nettleton Revolver with 101 stamped over U.S."



Historically Documented H.N. Revolvers

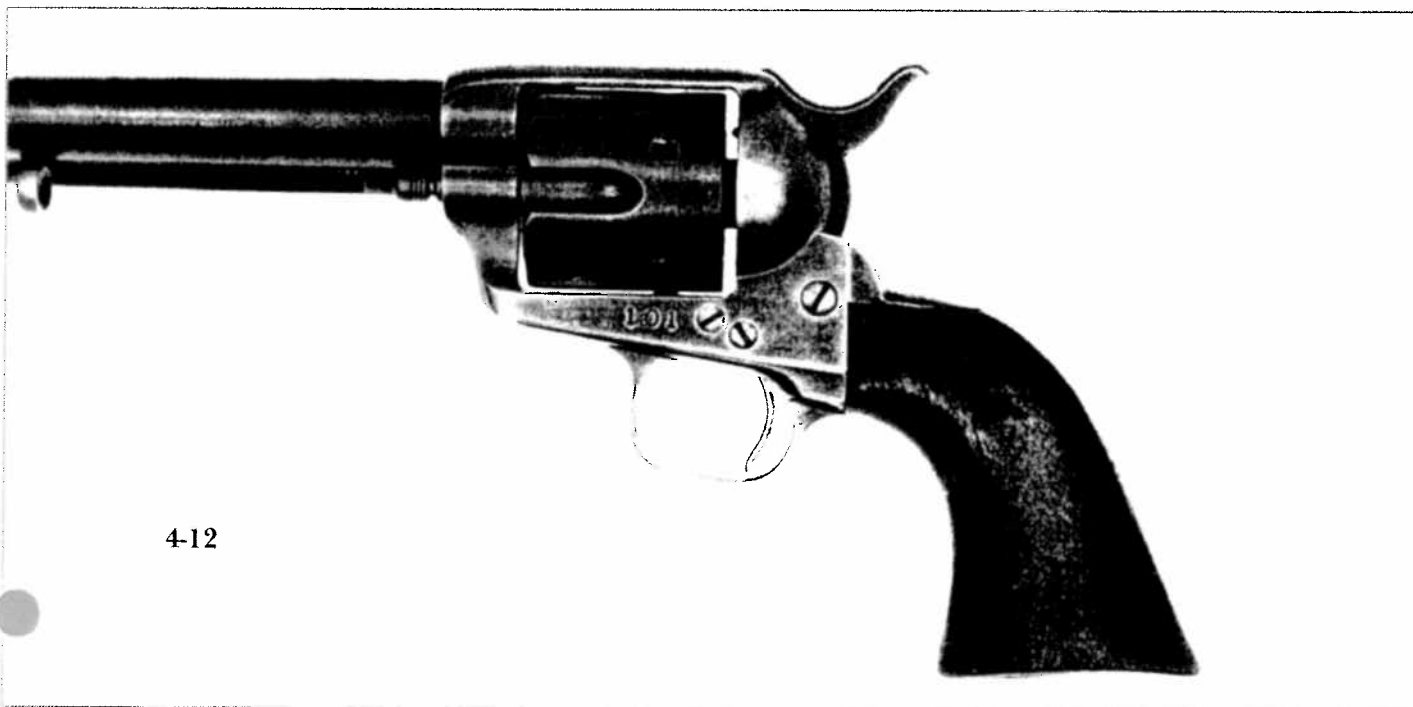
#47636 — Cebu Police (ART)
 #47944 — Cebu Police
 #48168 — Cebu Police (ART)
 #48200 — "X" Revolver
 #48348 — Cebu Police (ART)
 #48411 — Keyes
 #48504 — 101 Ranch
 #48523 — Troop "F" 6th Cav-1888
 #48528 — Troop "F" 6th Cav-1888
 #48530 — Cebu Police (ART)
 #48664 — Troop "G" 1st Cav-1891
 #48741 — Cebu Police
 #48818 — Troop "K" 8th Cav
 #48836 — Troop "K" 8th Cav
 #49300 — Cebu Police
 #49347 — Keyes
 #49689 — Benicia Arsenal
 #50096 — Keyes
 #50240 — Ben Morrison*
 #50581 — Cebu Police

*Pine Ridge Indian Reservation

4-10 (opposite page): A full left-side view of U.S. Cavalry revolver #48953. This revolver, along with #48132, was sold to R.B. Russell by the Springfield Armory in 1922. James Fuquay collection, author's photograph

4-11: An underside view of the Henry Nettleton revolver #48953. One of a pair of like revolvers sold by the Springfield Armory in 1922 to R.B. Russell. James Fuquay collection, author's photograph

4-12: A left-side view of Henry Nettleton revolver #48504. This revolver was used by the 101 Ranch of Oklahoma and is stamped with that identification over the "U.S." Late Paul Hoffman collection, author's photograph





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Jim Handy
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Dear Mr. Handy:

Pursuant to your request for information on Colt Single Action Army revolver serial no. 48504, please be advised that the records of the U. S. Army indicate that this arm was in use by the 3rd U. S. Volunteer Cavalry during the Spanish-American War. Proceedings of a Board of Survey convened at Camp George H. Thomas on Aug. 31, 1898, state that revolver no. 48504 had been issued to Pvt. William Hageman of Troop K and was stolen on or about July 28, 1898.

Pvt. Hageman was born at Seward, Nebr., and enrolled in the 3rd U. S. Vol. Cav. at Lincoln, Nebr., when he was 18 years of age. He is described as 5 ft. 5 3/4-in. in height, fair complected and with brown eyes and light brown hair; by occupation, he was a farmer. He was detailed wagoner on Aug. 1, 1898, and served until mustered out of service at Camp George H. Thomas, Ga., on Sept. 8, 1898.

Troop K of the 3rd U. S. Vol. Cav. originated as Troop A of the Nebraska National Guard. They were assigned to the 3rd U. S. Vol. Cav. on May 1, 1898. After drilling at Lincoln, Nebr., they were transferred to Chickamauga Park, Ga., on May 22, 1898, where they remained until mustered out of Federal service on Sept. 8, 1898.

The above information was found in the records of U. S. Army Overseas Operations and Commands, which are stored in the National Archives under Record Group 395. The particular citation of revolver no. 48504 was found in Entry 62 of that Record Group. A copy of the correspondence together with Pvt. Hageman's compiled service record and the Record of Events for his unit are enclosed. There is no information on subsequent use or disposal of revolver no. 48504.

Please note that this revolver was classified as an Artillery model based on the fact that the records do not state its configuration, and Artillery models were issued to all Volunteer Cavalry units. Inasmuch as this revolver is still in its original Cavalry configuration, this can be taken to indicate that this revolver was issued to the State of Nebraska before the war, and was carried into Federal service.

We trust the information furnished above has been of interest.

Very respectfully,

Franklin B. Mallory
Chief Researcher

Enclosure

William Hageman

Born 8/29/1879

Died 12/9/48

PVT TROOP K 3RD US

VOLANTER CAV. SAW

PLAT: A BTK 516-A

BURIED 12/13/48

Taken from Golden Gate
National Cemetery

San Bruno, San Mateo
County, Calif.

Interment. NET.COM

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Williams Father
probably was a William
also died 11/15/1882

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