

# ATTENTION

**Private Collector offers extremely valuable document for the Discriminating pursuer of historic antiquity.**

**This document has an amazing story .....**

# An Historic Moment

The VERY moment when Germany had just unconditionally surrendered, the confirmation of that historic moment was immediately forwarded from the European theater of war to the Pentagon–Military Intelligence Division.

The method of transfer during this historic moment in time was by ticker tape. The very first transmission, an approximate six inch by two inch section of tape signified the end of the European War which Germany had started.

Moments after the tape arrived at the Pentagon the Generals were notified and then the **President of the United States** was subsequently contacted and given the information.

**This information was so sensitive that the public was not given this history changing news until approximately one week later.**

# Living History

The very first section of ticker tape, a secret transmission, the only one known to exist, is now for sale. It's history is well documented, much of which is included in part 2 of this presentation.

This is not a one of a kind baseball card. It is not a misprinted or unique piece of currency. It is not a representation or remnant of a famous star, performer, Politician or athlete. This piece of actual living history is the first documentation that the war in Europe had ended.

It is a communication that will live forever as a testament to the greatest combined efforts, of the greatest people, that have fought for the liberty of the United States.

This could very well be the last will and testament to the greatest generation of Americans. This is a tribute to all of the people who fought so valiantly to defeat the Nazi war machine.

▪ **Estimated appraised values are also included in this presentation**

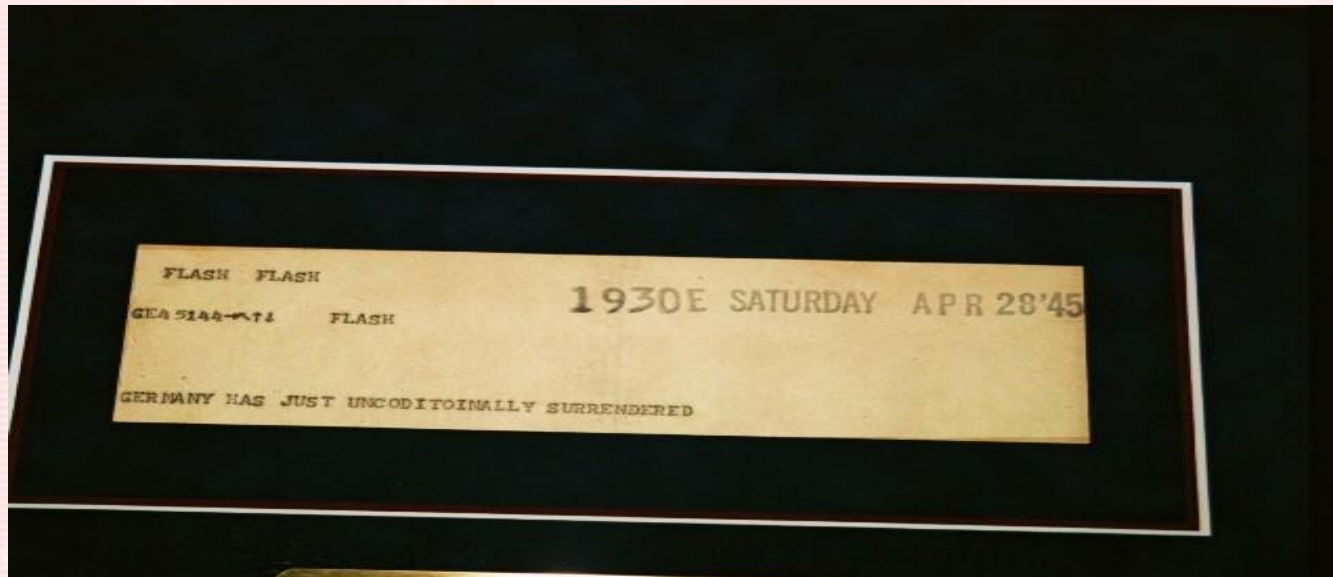
FLASH FLASH

1930E SATURDAY APR 28'45

GEA 5144-474 FLASH

GERMANY HAS JUST UNCODITONALLY SURRENDERED

# For Pentagon Eyes Only



**This is the FIRST announcement to the pentagon of Germany's surrender. The official timeline of German surrender was May 7, 1945. This is when the public was made aware of the war's end in Europe.**

**– the above ticket is April 28, 1945 –  
For Pentagon Eyes Only**

# Testimonials about the Item

“This rare WW II item is priceless and is sure to command a double digit Million dollar price tag”.

- Weatherby's Auction House  
New York, NY

“It is hard to put a price on something so rare, no doubt Millions to start”

-- Stein Auctions  
San Francisco, CA.



# Asking Price

The owner is requesting a “Best Offer” but will only consider offers from qualified investor/buyers.

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## Part 2

Who Found This message?

The following information is the story of a very remarkable Woman named Harriett "Skip" Hoyt who, like millions of other people, dedicated herself to the war effort during WW II.

Skip is the one who saw it first....

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*“An American Story”*

***A Message That Changed The World***

# “Skip”

Harriet “Skip” Hoyt was not an average Woman just doing her part during World War II. Skip (as everyone knew her) was an innovator working in a Male dominated environment.

Many Woman did their part during the war, The “Greatest Generation” was faced with a supreme challenge but answered the attack on the U.S. with swift and certain determination.

This story is a brief snap shot, a grab in time. What “Skip” Hoyt experienced is something that really did change the world.....A simple, typed message that came clicking out of a ticker tape machine.

Here is the grab in time.....

# Harriet “Skip” Hoyt

**Branch of Service:** Army Air Corp.

**Date of Enlistment:** 1 Sep 1943

**Date of Separation:** 8 Feb 1946

Born: July 30<sup>th</sup> 1920

Place of Birth: Omaha, Nebraska

Died: February 23, 1991

Richfield, MN.

# Harriet “Skip” Hoyt

## **Military Occupational Specialty: Weather Observer 784 Pentagon, Washington, DC.**

Decorations and Citations: Victory medal, American Theater Ribbon, WAAC Service Ribbon, Good Conduct medal

- Military Records available upon request
- Note: Military records may have been lost in 1973 fire at official records storage site. Documentation of fire available upon request.



# Good Old Nebraska

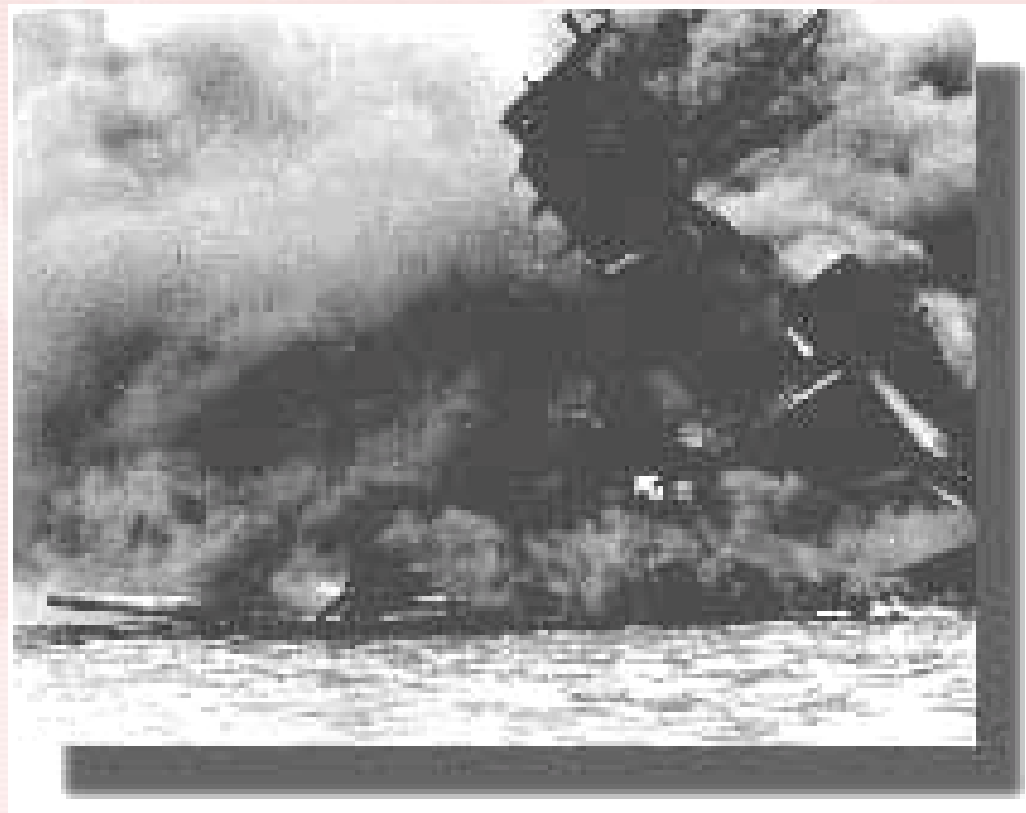
The 1920's and 30's were tough for anyone to grow up in especially Omaha, Nebraska. The wind swept plains saw many changes to include the great depression and the many droughts along the way.

Harriet Hoyt was a happy, bright girl growing up with her family during the depression. There, with her family is where Harriet formed her unbreakable determination and unassuming but fierce loyalty to her country. The examples Harriet had growing up were people who worked hard and complained little. They valued family and country above all else with most of them 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> generation immigrants to America.



December 7<sup>th</sup> 1941 ....

Japan Attacks pearl Harbor



# America Comes Together

The stage was set, people all across America rush to enlist...



# From Far and Wide

Harriet needed to do her part. This was her opportunity to get out of Nebraska and see the world. Even though the war was a terrible thing it gave Harriet the chance to see the world.

Without hesitation, Harriet started to seek opportunity to assist in the war effort.



# Getting the work done

Harriet quickly found a job at North American Aviation In Dallas, TX. She was building the Army AT 6 plane a special trainer's aircraft.

The hours were long but the satisfaction Harriet received building this plane was precious.

This is truly "Rosie the Riveter" in real life.



AT6 Aircraft





# Government Issue

Harriet then enlisted in the Army Air Corps. On September 1<sup>st</sup> 1943 She was now a "WAAC" - Woman's Army Air Corps. Skip was first assigned to Gunder Field in Alabama as an aircraft mechanic.. While working as a mechanic, Skip studied to be a weather observer at night.. She passed her test and moved on.

Skip and the others were given shots to travel overseas. Harriett thought she was going to the Pacific theater because one of the shots she received was for "Jungle Rot".

**Harriett was sent to the Pentagon..**





# A Pentagon Decoder

While working at the Pentagon, Harriett first learned the art of decoding and graphing classified information.

Harriett learned very quickly and became an expert.

In one particular mission, "Skip" was able to decode and uncover a top secret mission by Japan to send up balloons carrying explosives that would travel high up in the pacific currents.

The goal for the Japanese was to burn western cities as the balloons made their decent upon the target areas.

Known as the "Japanese Current" Skip's efforts plotted the graphs which showed the exact directions of the Japanese balloons.

Most were intercepted by the Allies.

# Balloon Bombs

Japan released more than 9,000 bomb-bearing balloons beginning on November 3, 1944.

It is estimated that nearly 1,000 reached North America.

A Japanese Balloon Bomb



# Saturday, April 28<sup>th</sup> 1945 – 7:30pm EST

It had been a long week at the Pentagon, clearly Germany was reeling while Russia was bearing down on Berlin.

Hitler was deep in his bunker and the end was near. The Pentagon was busy as usual with top Military brass in and out. Harriet had been working long hours and was looking for some relief.

One of the many responsibilities Skip had was to retrieve messages from the ugly old teletype machine set-up in her area. "This machine would ring and ring all day long" said Skip in a taped Interview in 1991.

"One bell meant Pay attention, two bells meant pay attention right away".

**"No one ever told me what Three bells meant"**

At 7;30pm Eastern time in Harriett "Skip" Hoyt's area, the bells rang four times.....

# Flash Flash Flash

“I went to the teletype machine after the bell rang four times”.

“My heart was pounding and the first word I saw was FLASH, then another FLASH, I thought I was going to fall over when I saw the entire message printed out”.....

**FLASH FLASH FLASH**

**GE 4 5144**

**Germany Has Just Uncoditoninally Surrendered**

**1930 E Saturday 28 APR 45**

# “Unconditionally” The Best News Ever!

“Whoever typed in the message was nervous because the word unconditionally was miss-spelled”. Stated Harriett in the taped interview.

According to Skip (On the taped interview) there was no reason for a word to be miss-spelled on a teletype because the operator is able to cut a tape before he or she ever sends the message to be sure it is correct.

Then Harriett “Skip” Hoyt realized that she is in the middle of something monumental to world history. “I tore the tape off of the machine, read it again then paused and thought about what this meant to my family”.

Harriett then proceeded to do her job and relay the information to the Pentagon Generals. An official told her that “It is only a piece of paper, nothing else you can do with it”. Skip smiled and stuck it in her blouse for safe keeping.

**\* The taped interview is included with the sale\***



# The Greatest Generation

Skip is a perfect example of “The Greatest Generation” that America produced in those days. Skip was quiet and unassuming. Skip never boasted about her experiences during the war and continued to try and give back to society right up to her death in 1991.

It was discovered by family members that Skip had saved and donated all of her money to help minority teenagers go to college. It is estimated she helped numerous of kids realize the dream of a higher education. Skip was also an inventor.

She created and launched (with help from her Father) a system to bundle all electrical wires needed in new aircraft construction. This system worked so well that it revolutionized the aircraft industry - especially in the Military.

Skip received a 100 dollar war bond and had her picture taken for Aviation Magazine. The invention was used in all aircraft factories throughout the United States during and after WW II.



# In Closing....

Harriett "Skip" Hoyt gave back to people her whole life. She never complained and was so quiet about what she was doing that you would of never known she had passion for all humanity.

Skip Died and per her request she had her ashes scattered to the wind. In a simple ceremony, she did not want a funeral or to burden her family after she was gone.

Skip believed that she would be re-born with a strong body and a stronger mind to continue her work helping people.

We believe that by offering this historic item, a glimpse into history, is her way to continue to give back even after she is gone.

**This actual message is stored in a temperature controlled vault and under heavy security.**

