

Basic Detail Report

Title WWI Shell Casing

Date 1914-1918

Primary Maker Russell C. Chapman

Medium brass

Description Brass 77 mm shell casing (probably from a Howitzer) from World War I brought from France by Russell C. Chapman. Shell is engraved with dots in the background, flowers, and butterflies. Near the opening, "Verdun" is engraved in a banner. The "Verdun" engraving is likely in reference to the Battle of Verdun (21 February 1916 - 18 December 1916), one of the largest and longest battles fought during WWI.

Dimensions Primary Dimensions (overall height x diameter): 12 × 3 1/2in. (30.5 × 8.9cm)