

Basic Detail Report

Title Badge

Date 1904

Primary Maker Whitehead and Hoag Company

Medium silk, wood celluloid, ink, metal, paper

Description Light blue ribbon (a) with bottom fringe which is attached at the top

to a bar on a metal pin clasp with a celluloid front decoration. The decorative

piece includes a picture of the Connecticut House at the Louisiana Purchase

Exhibition with the date 1904 below the house and the name of the event

printed in blue and red flanking the central picture. Hanging from the bottom of

the central portion of the pin is a wooden nutmeg. Behind the nutmeg is a short

ivory colored ribbon gathered at the bottom so there is a pleat, through which a

metal ring has been threaded, and from that hangs a metal and celluloid (?)

decorative medallion with the seal of Connecticut in the center flanked on the

left by three American flags. The medallion has a pierced gold-toned frame.

Printed on the ivory ribbon are the names Hooker and Haynes in script on either

side of the nutmeg, and below is "CONNECTICUT / THE / CONSTITUTION /

STATE" while below that is the name Ludlow, also in script. Printed on the blue

ribbon below the medallion is a brief history of the state starting with "1639 /

THE CONSTITUTION / BORN IN CONNECTICUT. / 1662 / CHARTER SECURED BY /

JOHN WINTHROP. / 1687 / THE CHARTER HIDDEN IN THE OAK. / 1789 / UNITED

STATES CONSTITUTION / ADOPTED ON / CONNECTICUT'S MODEL." Each date

has an illustration: 1639 a scroll with the words "Fundamental orders"; 1687 an

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image of an oak tree; and below 1789 are crossed U.S. flags. The pin came

slipped over a piece of cardboard tapered on one end to fit behind the pin clasp

(b) and in a brown paper envelope with advertising for The Whitehead & Hoag

Co. (c)