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VINTAGE OLYMPIC MEMORABILIA INCLUDING 22K SOLID GOLD MEDAL FROM 1900 PARIS GAMES IS UP FOR BID AT SCP AUCTIONS

Online bidding at SCPAuctions.com concludes on Saturday, Dec. 5

Laguna Niguel, Calif. (Dec. 2, 2015) – SCP Auctions is proud to present an incredible assortment of vintage Olympic memorabilia as part of its 2015 Fall Premier online auction including a rare 22-karat solid gold medal for Automobile Racing from the 1900 Paris Summer Games, one of only two known to exist. Online bidding is live and concludes on Sat., Dec. 5, at www.scpauctions.com. A total of 35 different Olympic lots are featured celebrating two more gold medal victories from Paris (1900); Amsterdam (1928) in Women's Gymnastics; and Berlin (1936) in Men's Basketball. Numerous Olympic torches from both the Summer and Winter Games dating from 1948 (London) all the way up to 2008 (Beijing) are also included. All of the various Olympic lots up for bid can be viewed here: http://catalog.scpauctions.com/Category/Olympics Track Field-369.html.

Currently, the Olympic lot garnering the most attention is the rare 1936 U.S. Men's Basketball team gold medal that belonged to Carl Shy, a former UCLA standout guard. This is a very significant gold medal as the Berlin Games represented the very first international Olympic basketball tournament. With four days left in the auction, it has collected six bids with the highest being \$12,081. Next up is a lot featuring the late Herb Brooks' Team USA warm-up velour jacket, the very one the U.S. Men's Hockey coach wore during the team's miraculous 1980 gold medal run including the actual gold-medal ceremony in Lake Placid, New York. With eight bids, it presently sits at \$10,721. Running third is a gold medal from the 1928 Games that marked the largest spike in female competitors to date. The lot in question was earned by the host nation, Netherlands, which won the team gold medal in the Olympics' first ever Women's Gymnastics competition amid controversial protests against allowing women to compete. With three bids, it currently sits at \$9,075.

Amongst the other notable Olympic lots are a pair of 1900 Paris Summer Games 1st-place winner's gold medals in Athletics (track and field) and Swimming, both with minimum bids starting at \$5,000, as well as a second Herb Brooks piece, this one his actual wool hockey sweater worn during the 1960's as a member of the United States International Hockey squad. With six bids, it has already reached \$4,290. The additional gold medals from Paris are both made of gold-plated silver as were the vast majority for those Games.

Bidding is open to registered bidders only. For more information on how to participate, please visit www.scpauctions.com or call (949) 831-3700.