

**THE
STEWART
TOY SOLDIER
GALLERY**

Gallery Guide

A Lifelong Passion

Charles Stewart has been a collector all his life. With a love of toy soldiers beginning in boyhood and continuing today, his collection of nearly 13,000 world class figures represents 114 historic makers, and is still growing.

As a student of history, Mr. Stewart is an encyclopedia of historical knowledge. It is this love of history that has led him to collect these miniature armies of the European and American wars.

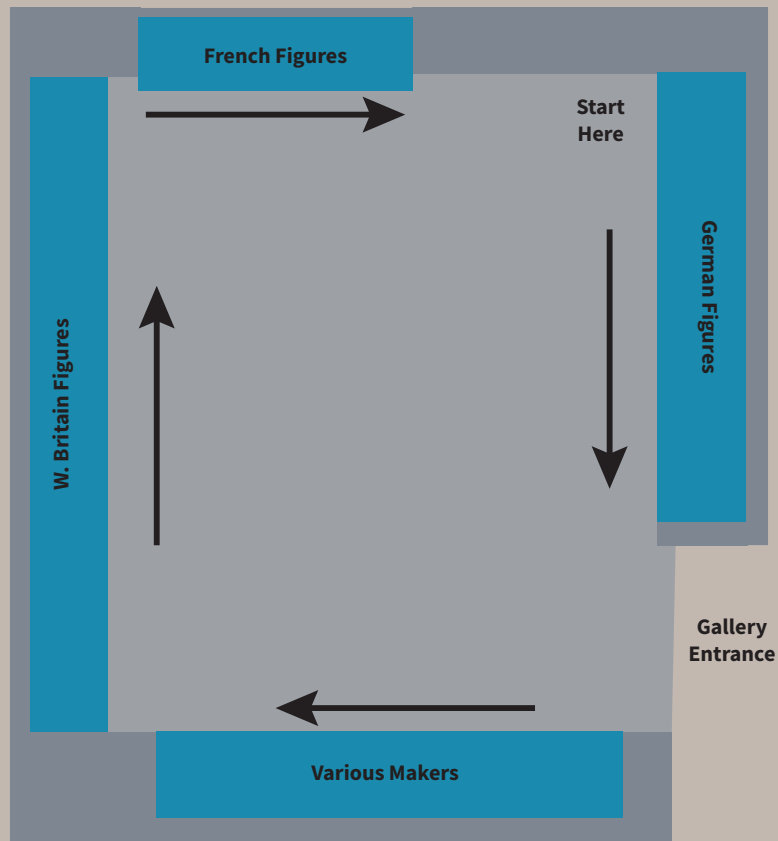
Mr. Stewart lives and works at the Stewart Home & School and serves as a fifth generation administrator. Located on 850 acres of scenic rural farmland in Frankfort, Kentucky, Stewart Home & School occupies the historic campus of the old Kentucky Military Institute, and since 1893 has been a community dedicated to the education of students with intellectual disabilities.

Now on the National Register of Historic Places, the School offers a one-of-a-kind community where those with intellectual disabilities are truly appreciated and respected. Stewart Home & School has been owned and directed by five successive generations of the Stewart family who continue the tradition of the school's remarkable past and extend its dynamic mission into the future.

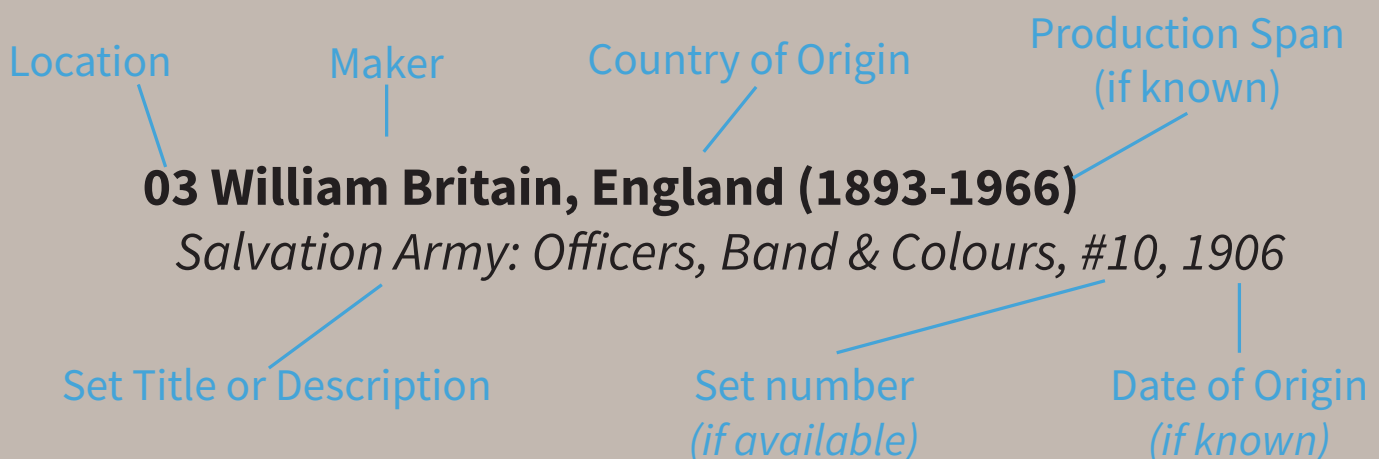
Mr. Stewart's father, Dr. John P. Stewart II, encouraged his son to collect and nearly ten years ago suggested he find a museum in Kentucky to permanently house the growing collection. In 2010, Mr. Stewart donated a large number of toy soldiers to the Frazier which well complemented the historic arms collection bequeathed to the museum by its founder, Owsley Brown Frazier. Over the years the collection continued to grow and to diversify with historic soldiers by over 100 famous makers, all of which were rare, unique, or historically important. Ultimately, this shared interest in history and keeping the collection together for the public's enjoyment led Mr. Stewart to give the collection in honor of his father who died in June 2014. Mr. Stewart's major gift continues the legacy of service to community that his father so ardently upheld in his medical practice and leadership of the Stewart Home & School.

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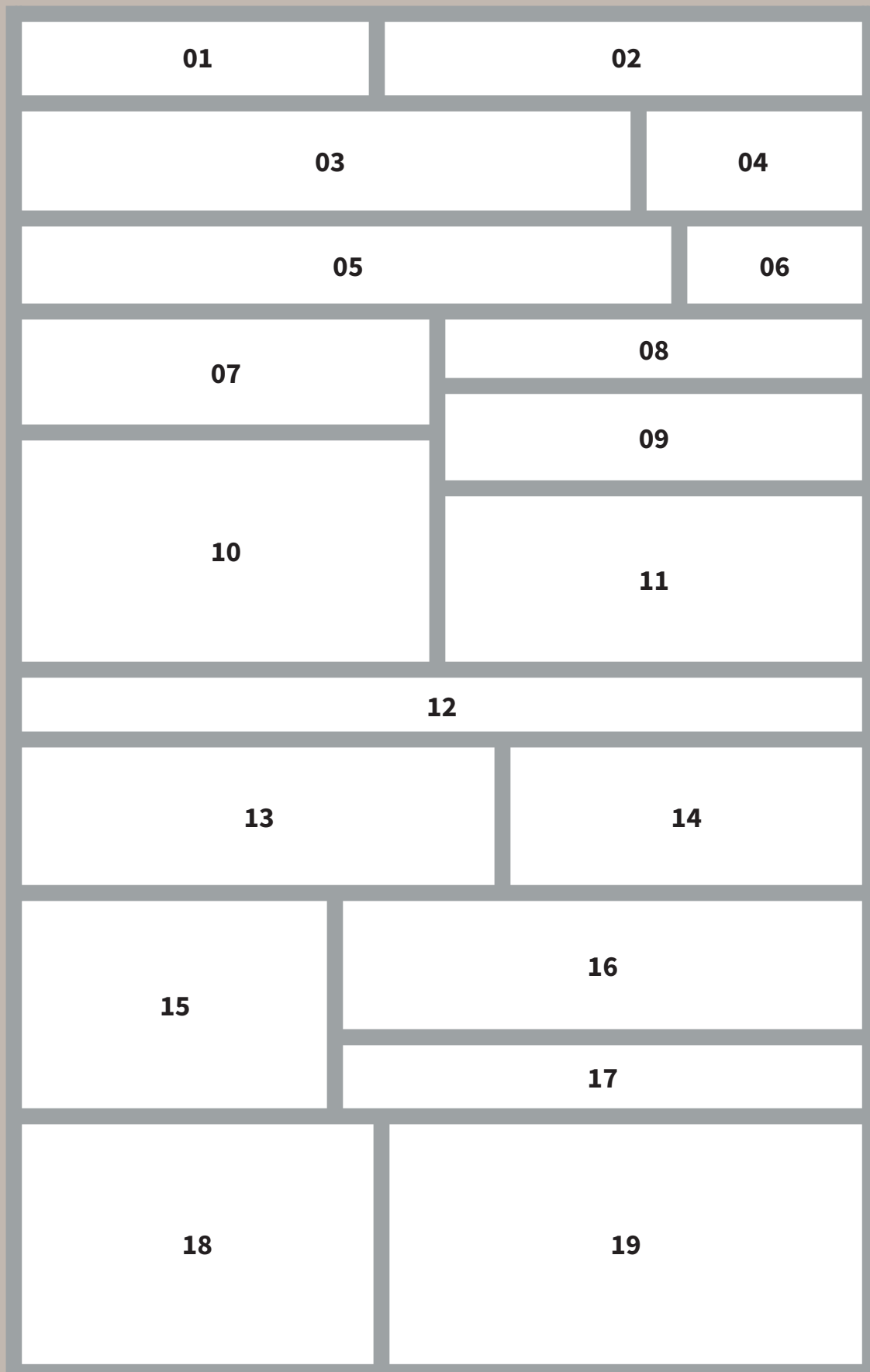
The Stewart Toy Soldier Gallery is divided into four cases - German Figures, Various Makers, W. Britains, and French Figures.



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GERMAN FIGURES CASE 1



GERMAN FIGURES

01 Dolfner, Germany

Prussians, c. 1915

02 Wollner, Austria

- *Austrian Military Band*
- *Austrian Band with Pony Cart, Pre War*
- *Moveable Soldiers On Parade*

03 Besold, Germany

- *German Band Flats, 1870*
- *Medieval Knight Flats, 1850's*

04 Unknown Maker, Germany

Demi Round French Figures

05 Ernst Heinrichsen, Germany

Napoleonic War Flats, formerly of the Werner Schuttz Collection

06 Spenkuch, Germany

Mounted Cavalry, 1800's

07 Noris, Germany

Gladiators

08 Spenkuch, Germany

German World War I Figures

09 Spenkuch, Germany

Die Jagd (The Hunt)

10 Unknown Maker, Germany

Early Hunting Set

11 Noris, Germany

- *General Kitchner*
- *General French*

12 Ernst Heinrichsen, Germany

Medieval-Renaissance Flats

13 Besold, Germany

Demi Round Castle Scene, 1880

14 Besold, Germany

Kaiser & His General Staff

15 Pfeiffer, Austria

German Tin Flats

16 Krause, Germany

Zulu Set

17 Unknown Maker, Germany

Red Coat Flats

18 Haffner, Germany

65mm Full French Band

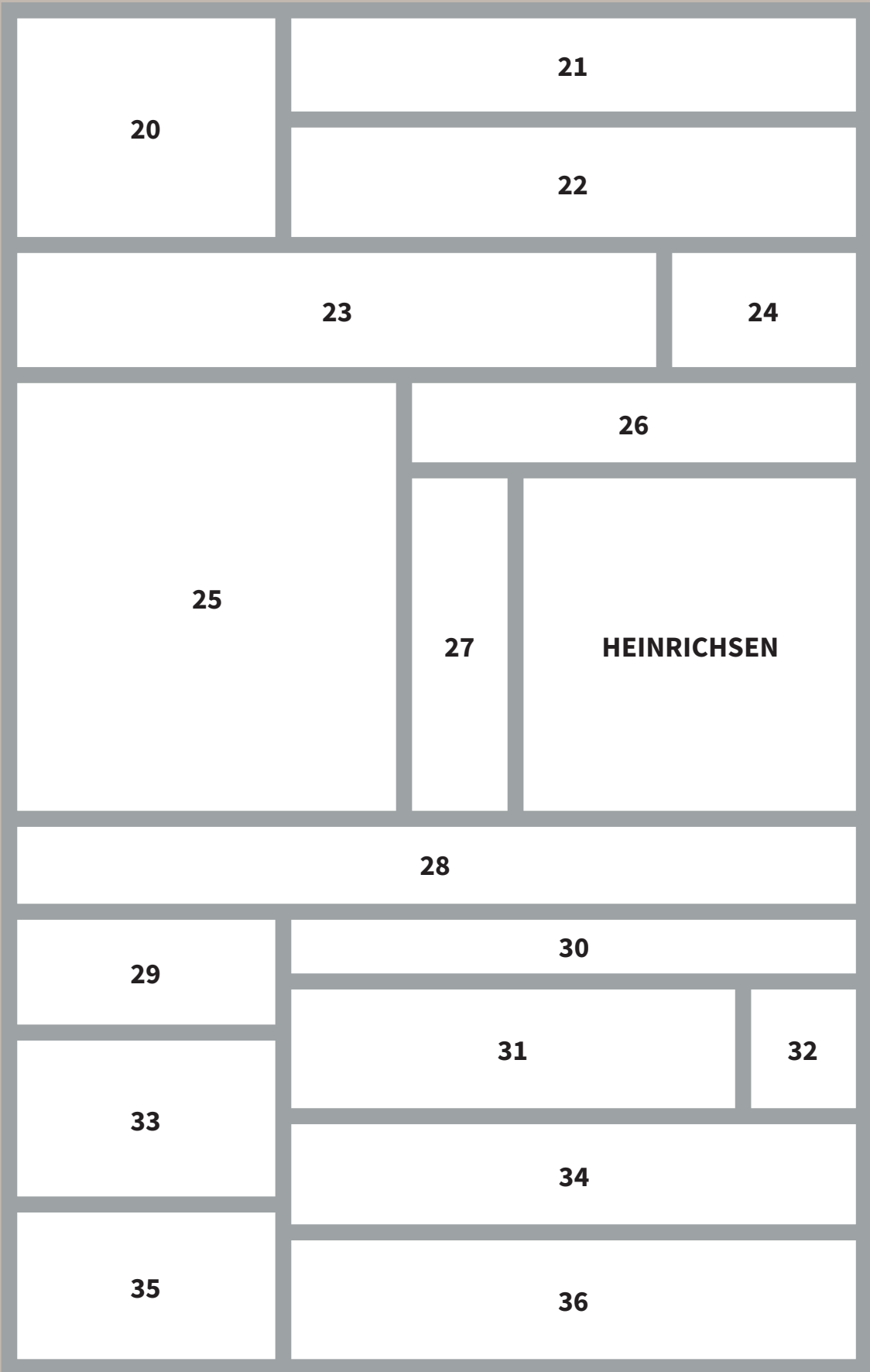
19 Spenkuch, Germany

Ritterschlacht, #822

MAKER HIGHLIGHT: ERNST HEINRICHSEN

Ernst Heinrichsen established his company in 1839 at a time when Germany was exporting two-dimensional toy soldiers throughout Europe and to the United States. When Heinrichsen began production, “flat” toy soldiers had traditionally been made in a variety of shapes and sizes. Heinrichsen boldly standardized his production offering all his figures in only one size, 28 millimeters. Thus, by making one size of figure, Heinrichsen could produce not only a greater volume, but also a wider variety of figures than his competitors, and he was able to dominate the market. The company was so successfully operated by Heinrichsen relatives until it closed in 1940 due to WWII, that the term “flat figure” was virtually synonymous with Heinrichsen.

GERMAN FIGURES CASE 2



GERMAN FIGURES *(cont.)*

20 Ernst Heinrichsen, Germany

Life Guards

21 Pfeiffer, Austria

German Tin Flats

22 Haffner, Germany

- *Marines*
- *Lancers*
- *Tube Figures*
- *German Imperial Sailors*
- *French World War I Infantry, 1914*

23 Gebruder Marklin, Germany

80 mm Horse-Drawn Artillery

24 Ernst Heinrichsen, Germany

Highlanders, Solid Pewter Figures

25 Gebruder Marklin & Cie., Germany

Castle with Rotating Parade Ground, c. 1905

26 Noris, Germany

- *Prussian Mounted Soldier*
- *French General Staff*
- *French Officers*

27 Hilpert, Germany

Frederick the Great, c. 1800 - 1810

28 Noris, Germany

Soldiers: Army of the United States

29 Ernst Heinrichsen, Germany

German Artillery Team

30 Ernst Heinrichsen, Germany

Prussian Marching Band, 1910

30 Unknown Maker, Germany

Demi Round Scottish Figures

31 Noris, Germany

Boer Infantry

32 Besold, Germany

Prussian Hussar Mounted Flat, 1800-1890

33 Charles Schuller, Germany

American Boxed Set, Early 1900's

34 Elastolin, Germany

- *American Revolutionary War Composition Figures, 1902-1904*
- *Spirit of '76*
- *Prussian/German World War I Composition Figures*
- *British World War I Composition Figures, 1910-1915*
- *American World War II Composition Figure*
- *German Staff Car, 1930's*

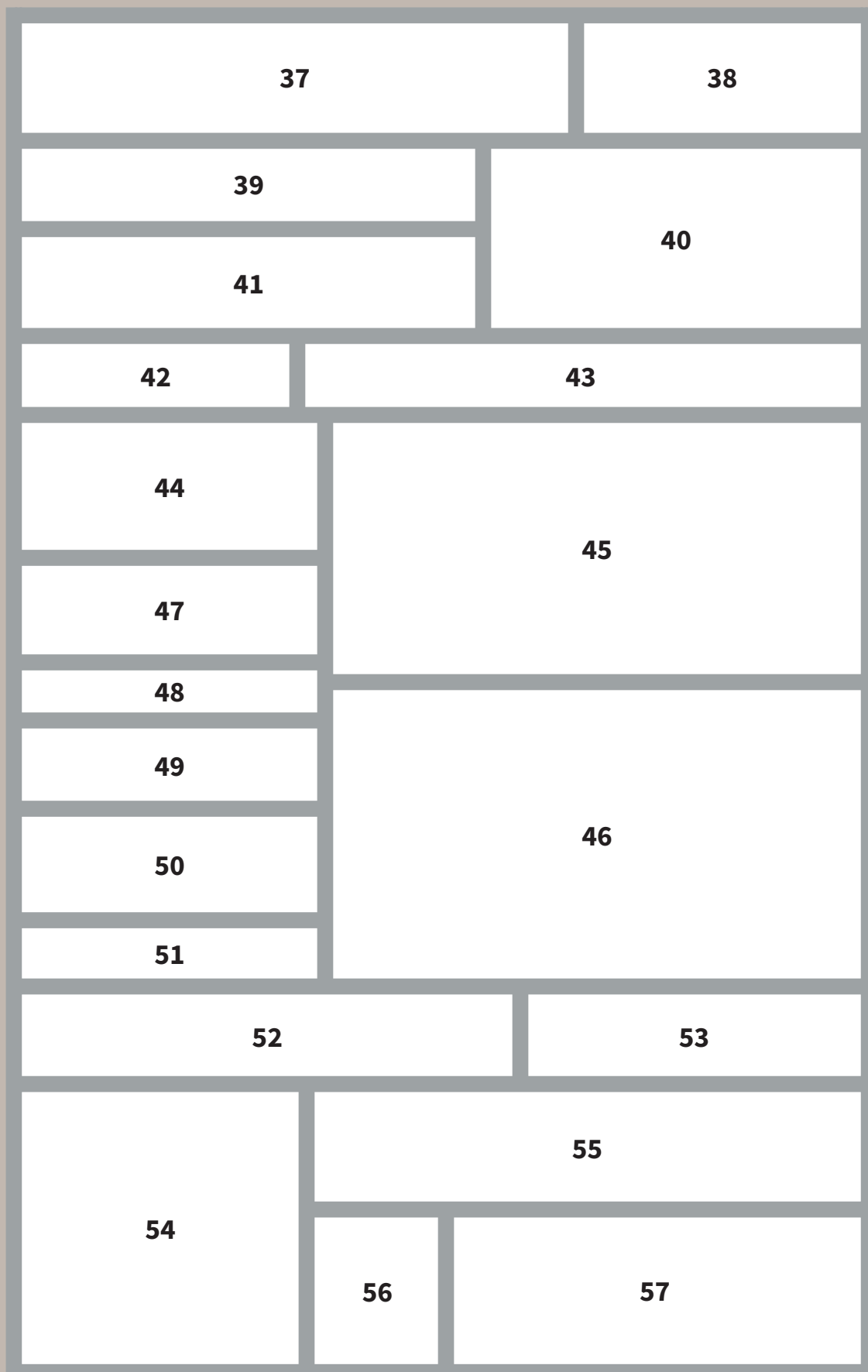
35 Spenkuch, Germany

Marines

36 Lineol, Germany

- *Monaco Trumpeter*
- *German World War I Artillery Train*
- *Mounted German Officer*
- *French Algerian Soldier*
- *American Flag Bearer*
- *American World War I Artillery Train*

GERMAN FIGURES CASE 3



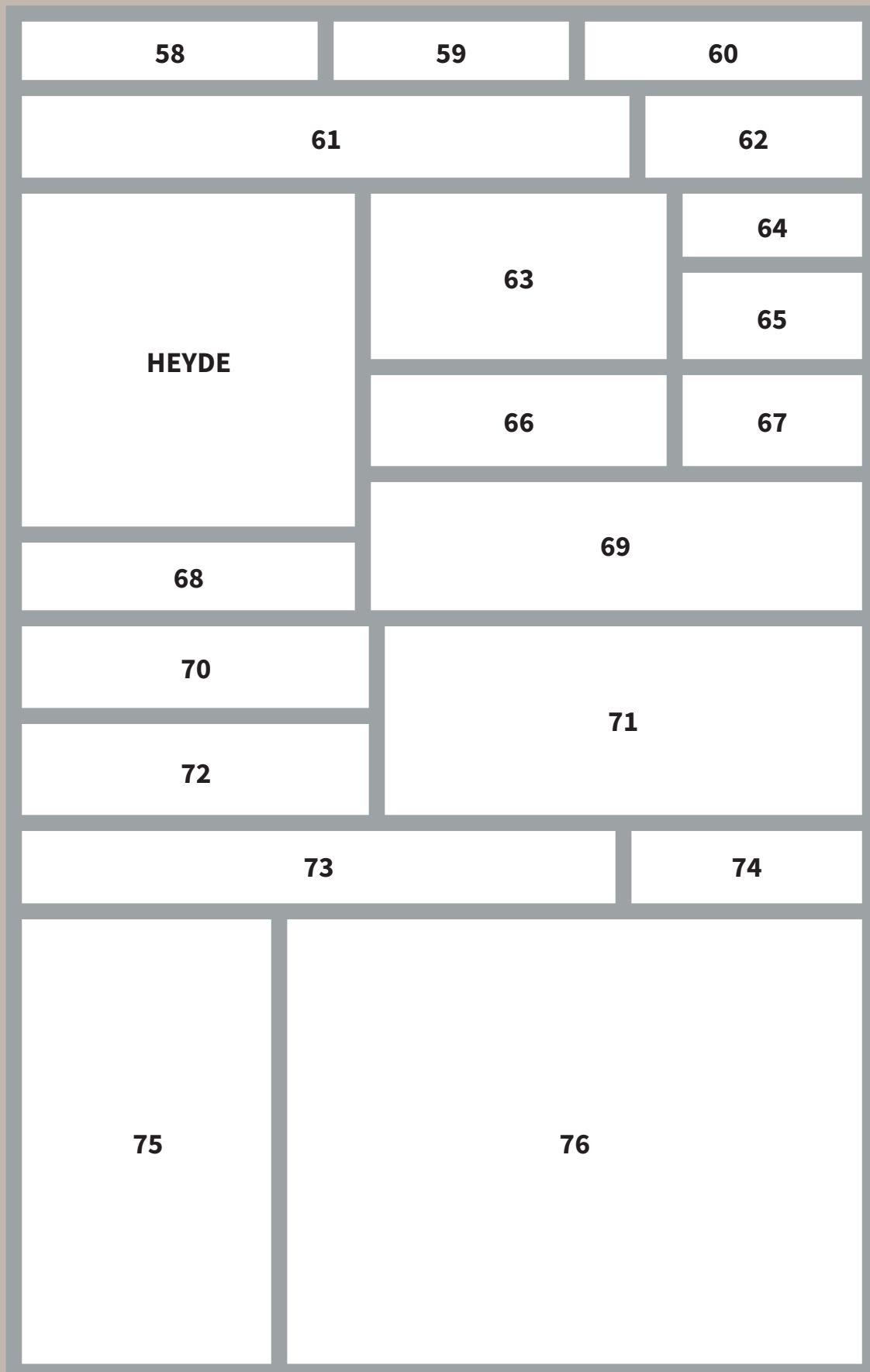
MAKER HIGHLIGHT: HEYDE

The Company was founded in Dresden, Germany in the 1830s by Gustav Adolf Theodor. It was not until 1872 when Georg Heyde took over and obtained a license to become a toy trader that the company's products became the Heyde items that toy soldier collectors recognize today. Georg Heyde became the leader in producing a diversity of figures in huge display boxes containing up to 150 figures. Subject matters covered a vast range from Roman Legions to German infantry units to Native American warriors, all of which were rendered in industry leading, stunningly active poses. The flair and extensive variety of sets offered by Heyde made them the leading exporter of toy soldiers in the world until WWI. Heyde continued limited production after the war up to 1944, but the partial destruction of the factory and the political climate of WWII forced the company to end production completely.

GEORG HEYDE AND COMPANY DRESDEN, GERMANY, c. 1921

- 37** *American Indians*
- 38** *Kaiser Wilhelm 2nd Cuirassiers*
- 39** *German Sailors*
- 40** *Medieval Knights*
- 41** *Steeple Chase*
- 42** *Military Bicycle Troops*
- 43** *Field Kitchen*
- 44** *Wettrennen*
- 45** *Buffalo Bill Cody's Wild West Set*
- 46** *United States Infantry on Parade*
- 47** *United States 22nd Regiment Line Infantry*
- 48** *WWI German Infantry*
- 49** *Danish Guards*
- 50** *American World War I Soldiers*
- 51** *Carthaginians*
- 52** *Prussian Mounted Band*
- 53** *Red Coat Regiment*
- 54** *Frederic Le Grande avec sa garde en 1786*
- 55** *Winter Skating Scene*
- 56** *Large Mounted Lancers*
- 57** *Turkish, Russian Montenegrin Display*

GERMAN FIGURES CASE 4



GEORG HEYDE AND COMPANY DRESDEN, GERMANY, c. 1921 (cont.)

- 58 *British Life Guards*
- 59 *WWI Prussian Infantry*
- 60 *Hessian Infantry*
- 61 *United States Horse Artillery Mounted Figure*
British Infantry
French Infantryman With Stretcher
Mounted King of Denmark
Russian and French Figures
World War I Figures
German Sailors
- 62 *Steeple Chase*
- 63 *Military Bicycle Troops*
- 64 *Field Kitchen*
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SET OF DISTINCTION

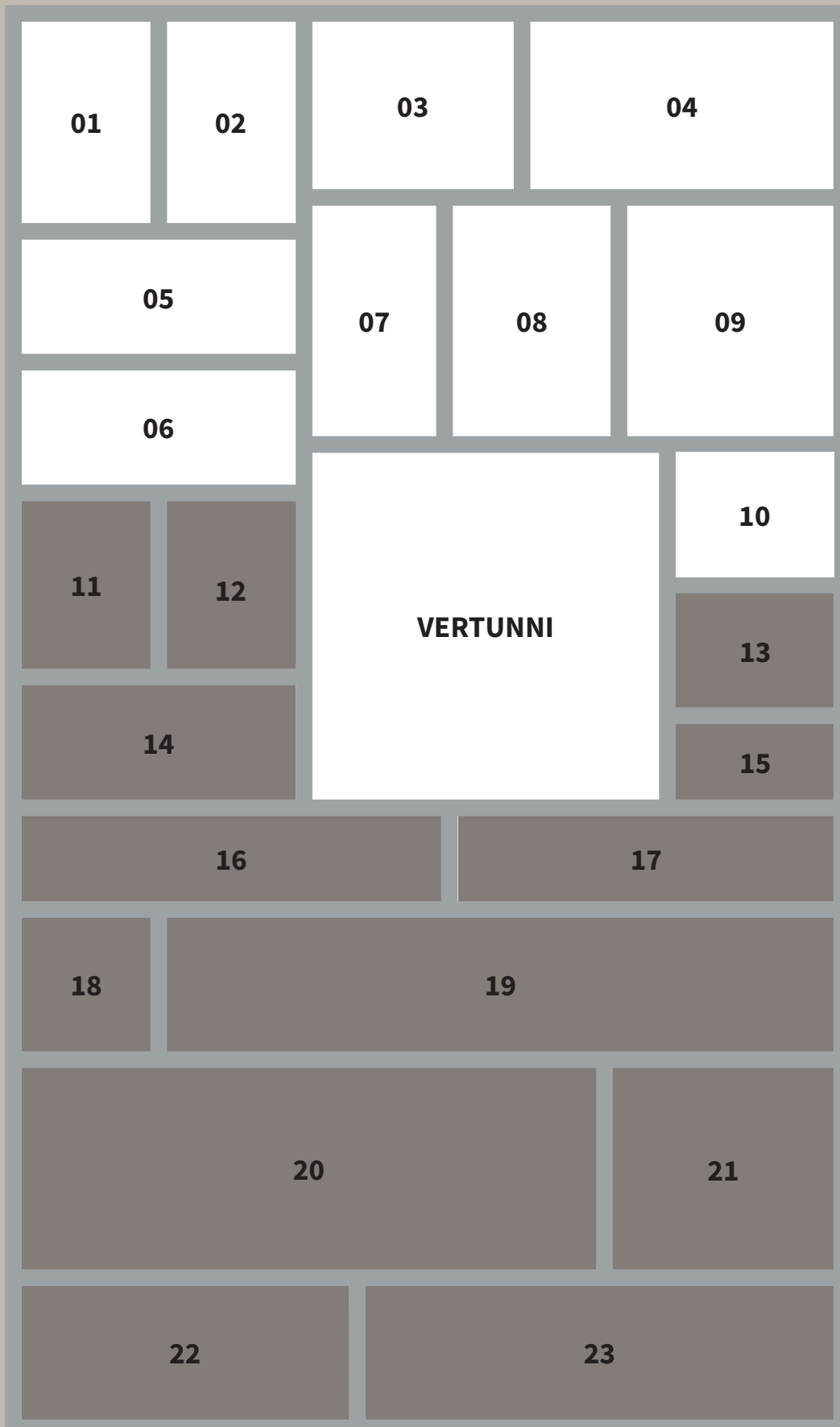
- 76 **Georg Heyde and Company Dresden/FAO Schwartz, Germany**
West Point Tableau, 1930's

Georg Heyde and Company Dresden, Germany

West Point Officer, Summer and Winter Cadets, c. 1921

The Heyde Company heavily exported to the United States prior to WWII with many sets being sold at F.A.O Schwartz in New York City. The wooden West Point building also may have been imported from Germany to complement the figures. Current research shows this may be the only extant example.

VARIOUS MAKERS CASE 1



MAKER HIGHLIGHT: VERTUNNI

Gustave Vertunni (1884-1953) was the master behind the highly detailed line of Vertunni figures. Following two failed attempts to start his own production of standard toy soldiers, Vertunni settled in Paris where he began making his famous line of single portrait historic figures. Vertunni meticulously sculpted each original from which molds were made, then his wife, along with a handful of assistants, hand painted each figure. The result was a singular artistic rendering that blurred the distinction between toy soldier and sculpture. Vertunni created the forerunner of the modern connoisseur figure by selling his highly detailed characters individually, rather than in large uniform groups.

GUSTAVE VERTUNNI, FRANCE, AND MIM, BELGIUM, 20TH CENTURY

01 Vertunni, Carolingian Empire

- Charlemagne
- Clovis

02 MIM, Napoleonic

- Mounted Dragoon Bugler, 167-158
- Mounted Hussar, 90-159

03 Vertunni, Roman Empire

- Julius Caesar
- Vericingetorix

04 Vertunni, Capetiens

- Louis VI
- Louis VII
- Louis VIII
- Blanche of Castile
- Phillippe II Augustus
- Louis VII
- Isabella Hainault
- Jeanne de Navarre
- Henry I

05 Vertunni, Valois Orleans

- Anne de Bretagne
- Louis XII
- Marie d'Angleterre
- Joan of France
- Mercenary (Version 1)

06 Vertunni, Valois

- John II
- Charles VI
- John the Fearless
- Charles VII
- Philip the Good
- Charles VIII

07 MIM, Ancient Rome

- Signifer, 66

08 Vertunni, French Revolution

- Commander Francois Severin Marceau
- Flag bearer 1st Demi Brigade

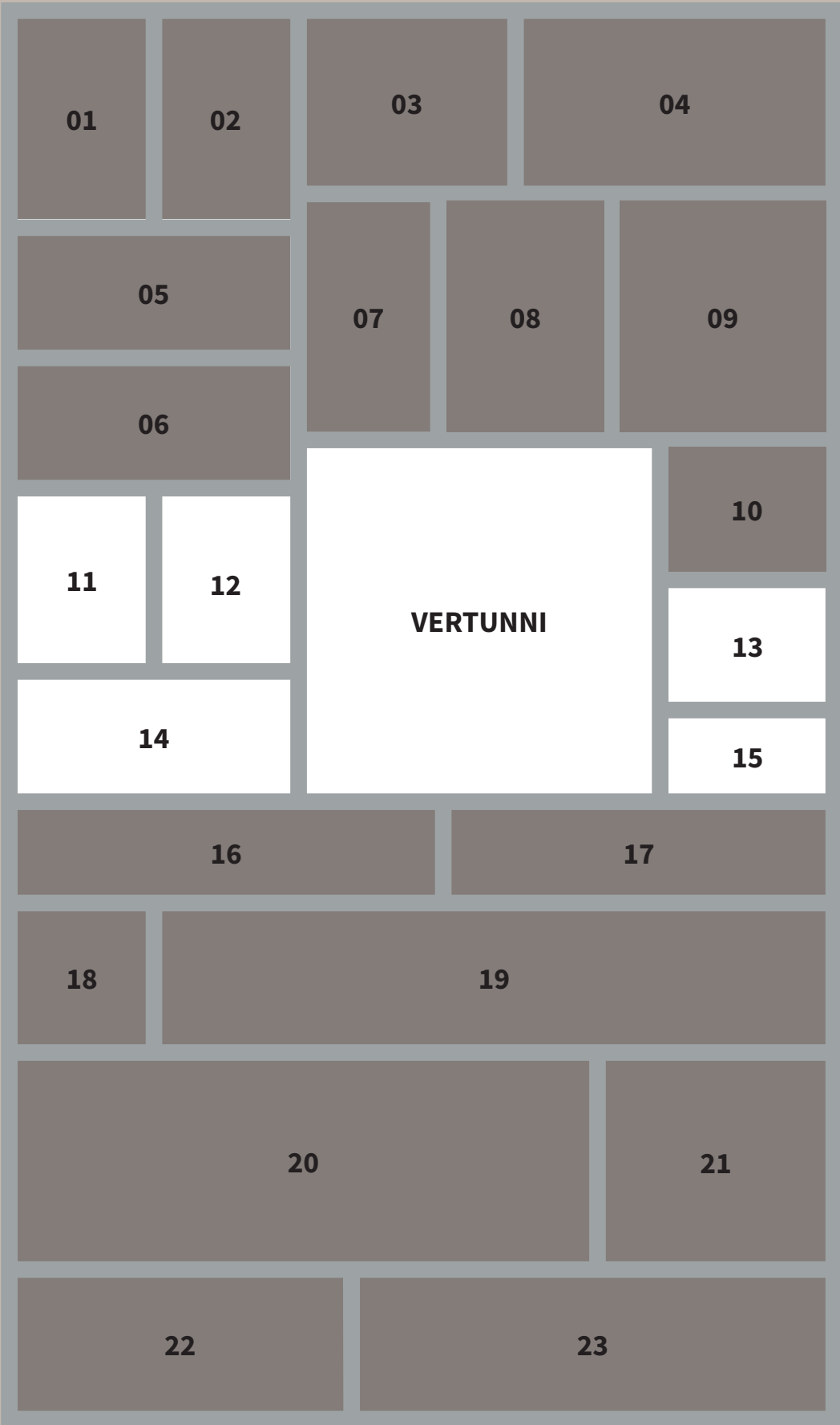
09 Vertunni, Valois Angouleme

- Charles IX
- Catherine de Medici
- Henry II
- Francis I
- Louise de Lorraine
- Saint Megrin
- Elisabeth of Austria
- Henry III
- Gaspard II de Coligny
- Henry I, Duke of Guise
- Eleanor of Austria
- Francis II

10 Vertunni, Court of Henry VIII

- Jane Seymour

VARIOUS MAKERS CASE 1 (cont.)



GUSTAVE VERTUNNI, FRANCE, AND MIM, BELGIUM, 20TH CENTURY (cont.)

11 Vertunni, French First Empire

- Incroyable
- First Empire Marshall
- Napoleon Bonaparte
- Kirman
- Napoleon Bonaparte (2nd Version)
- Commander Suchet (2nd Version)
- Josephine de Beauharnais
- Napoleon Bonaparte (1st Version)
- Egyptian Mamluk
- Commander Castella
- Jean Baptiste Kleber
- MarieLouise of Austria
- Pauline Bonaparte
- Napoleon Bonaparte

12 Vertunni, French Second Empire

- Louis-Phillipe

13 Vertunni, American Revolution

- Martha Washington
- Commander Jean Baptiste Donatien de Rochambeau

14 Vertunni, Napoleonic Wars

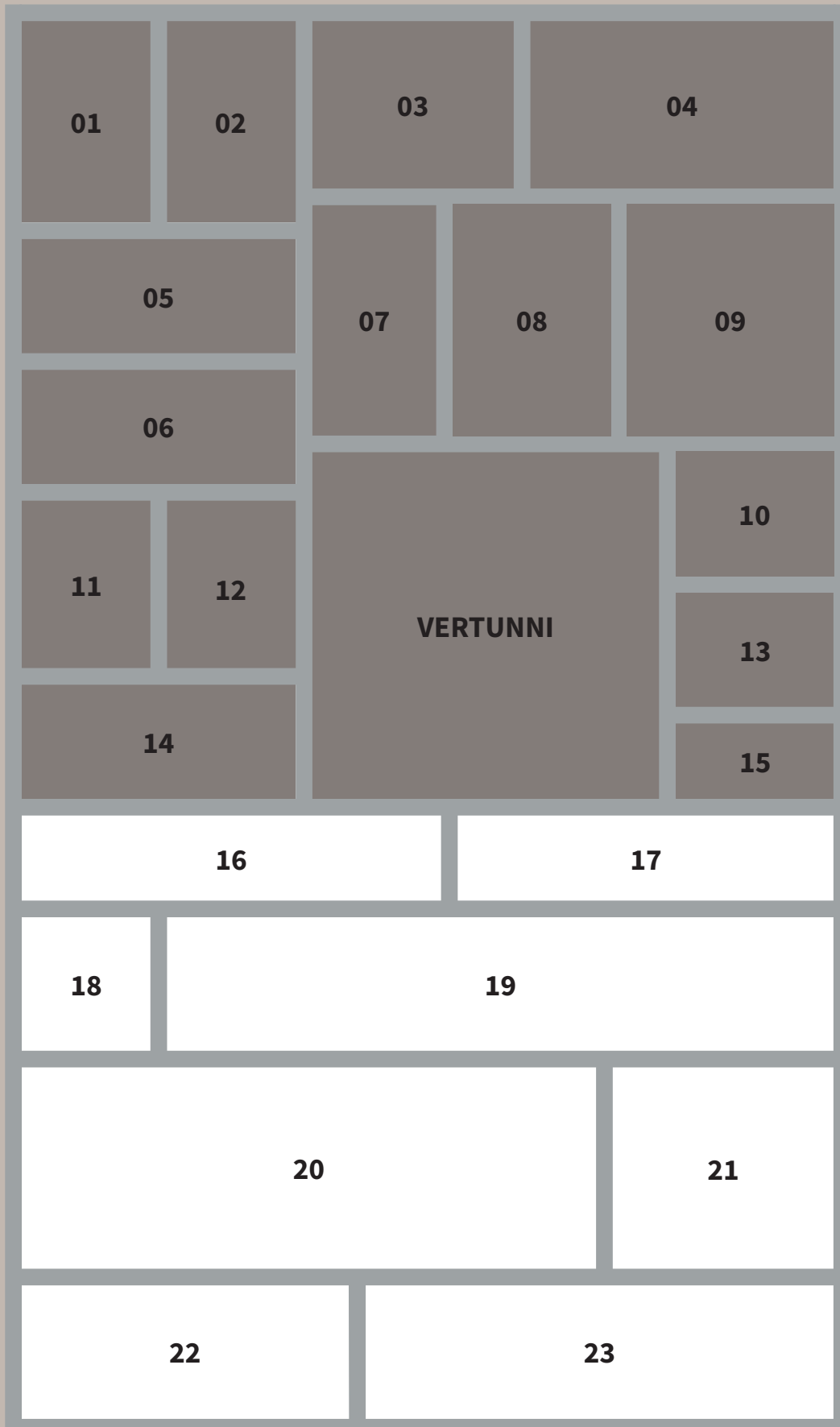
- Mounted Danube Legion Lancer Officer
- Napoleon Bonaparte
- Mounted 2nd Red Lancer
- Commander Prince Jozef Antoni Poniatowski
- Commander Castella
- Cuirassier
- Eugene de Beauharnais
- Cheveu-Legers (2nd Variation)
- Commander Jean Mathieu Philibert Serurier
- Inspector General of Medicine
- Commander Joachim Napoleon Murat
- Commander Emmanuel de Grouchy
- Chasseurs a Cheval
- Commander Michel Ney
- Commander Marc Antoine de Beaumont
- Commander Pierre Jacques Cambronne
- Commander of Artillery Jean Jacques Desvaux de Saint Maurice
- Napoleon II
- Trumpeter Carabinier
- Italian Grenadier
- Commander Charles Pierre Augereau

- Commander Etienne Marie Antoine Champion de Nansouty
- Commander Antoine Charles Louis de Lasalle
- Commander Pierre Jacques Cambronne
- 2nd Red Lancer
- Commander Claude Victor-Perrin
- Commander Dominique Jean Larrey
- Commander Pierre Baste
- Commander Guillaume Marie Anne Brune
- Commander Lejeune
- Officer of Ordinance
- Commander Louis Lepic
- Commander Daumesnil (2nd Version)
- Cuirassier
- Dragoon
- Jacques MacDonald
- Chassuer G.I.
- Commander Michel Ney
- Commander Henri Gatien Bertrand
- Sapper Grenadier of the Guard
- Commander Louis Alexandre Berthier
- Jean Ambroise de Lariboisiere

15 Vertunni, Bourbons

- Anne Robert Jacques Turgot
- Louis XIV
- Marie Leszczyńska
- Louis XIV, holding court
- Antoine Nompar de Caumont
- Cardinal Richelieu (2nd Version)
- Princess Yolande de Polastron
- Jeanne d'Albret
- Louis XVI
- Henry IV
- Mahaut, Countess of Artois
- Marguerite de Valois
- Louis XIII
- Cardinal Jules Mazarin
- Jeanne Antoinette Poisson
- Louis XV
- Andre Marie Chenier
- Gabrielle d'Estree
- Jean-Francois de Galaup, comte de Laperouse
- Louise de La Valliere
- Jeanne Becu
- Etienne Francois, Duke of Choiseul
- Philip of Orleans
- Marie Antoinette

VARIOUS MAKERS CASE 1 (Cont.)



SPORTS FIGURES

16 Heyde, Germany

Horse Racing, c.1921

17 Britains, England

Cricketers, 1930's

18 Unknown Maker, United States

Boxer Joe Louis

19 Britains, England

- *Mr. J.L. Jarvis Racing Colors*
- *H.R.H. Princess Elizabeth Racing Colors*
- *Sir Hugo Conliffe Owen Racing Colors*
- *Glen Riddle Farm Racing Colors*

20 Heyde, Germany

Steeplechase, c. 1921

21 Unknown Maker, United States

Baseball Players

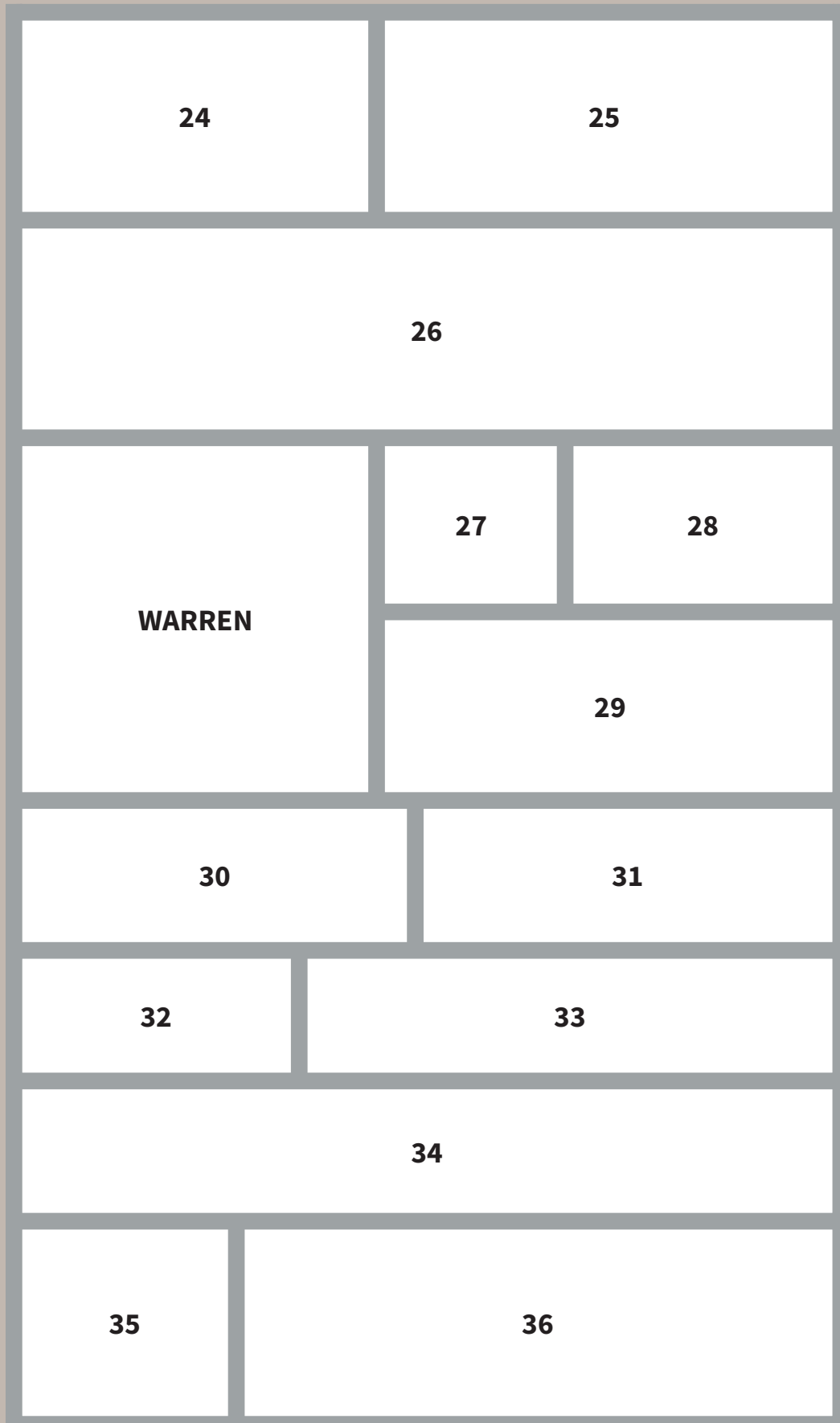
22 Cherilea, England

Baseball Set

23 Heyde, Germany

Polo Players, c.1921

VARIOUS MAKERS CASE 2



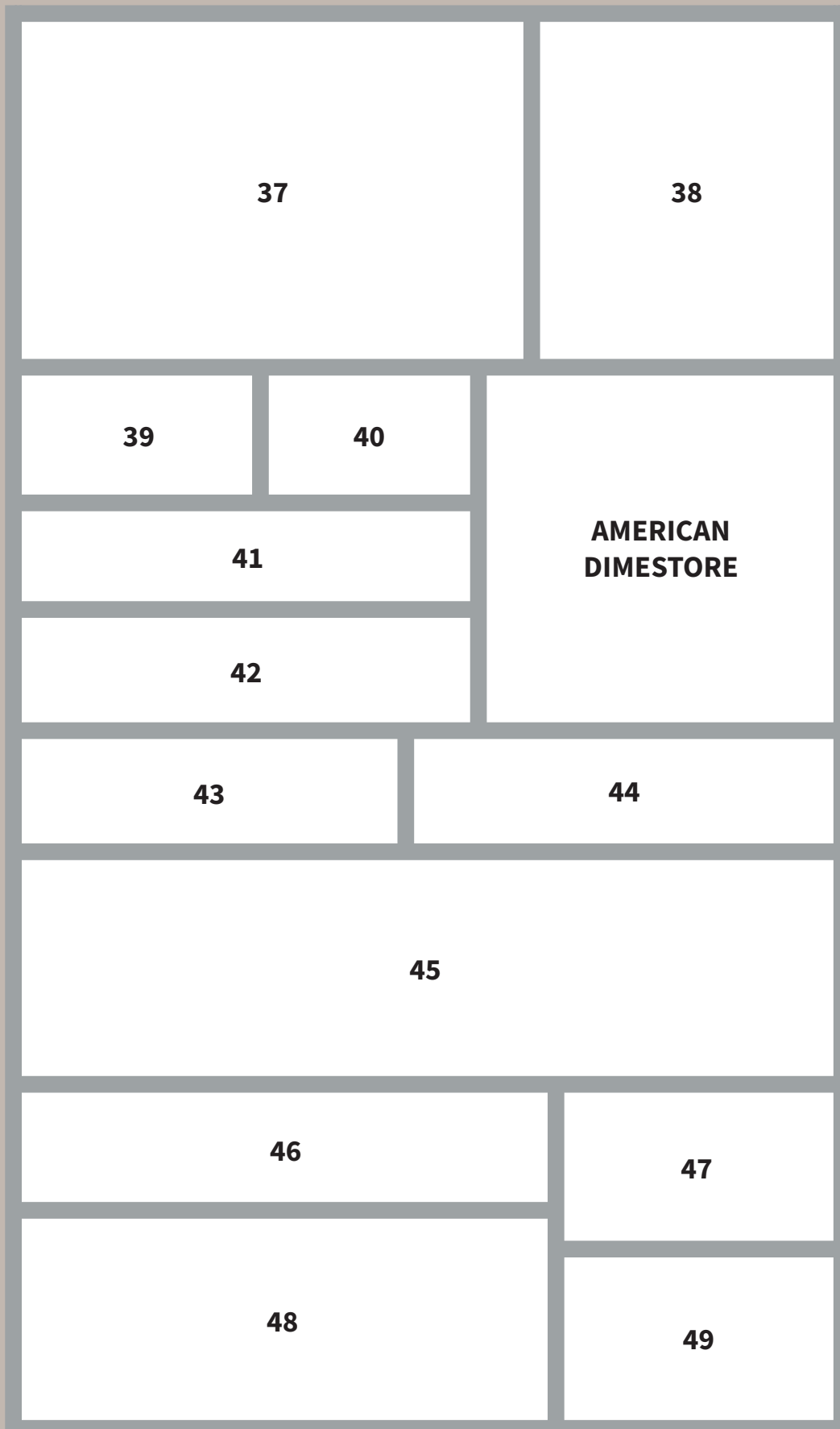
DIMESTORE FIGURES

- 24 Grey Iron, United States (1933-1984)**
Mounted George Washington Dimestore Figure
- Unknown Maker, United States**
George Washington Dimestore Figure
- 25 Beiser/Eureka, United States (1898-1925)**
Officer and Soldiers with Cannon
- 26 McLoughlin Brothers, United States (1879-1920)**
Knock Down Paper Soldiers
- 27 Lincoln Log, United States (1928-1950)**
Native American Dimestore Figures
American Cowboy Dimestore Figures
- 28 Beiser/Eureka, United States (1898-1925)**
American Cavalry
- 29 Minikin, Japan**
Hannibal War Elephant, 1950
- 30 Grey Iron, United States (1933-1984)**
American Machine Gunner, World War I Dimestore Figure
American Marine Dimestore Figure
American Naval Officer Dimestore Figure
- 31 Barclay, United States (1935-1951)**
Motorcycle With Side Car
American Infantry
World War II Radar Stand
American Dimestore Figures
- 32 Beiser/Eureka, United States (1898-1925)**
American Infantry, Spanish-American War
- 33 Warren, United States (1936/1937)**
Warren Gun
U.S. Army Gun Team
U.S. Cavalry
Mounted U.S. Army Flag Bearer
- 34 Barclay, United States (1935-1951)**
West Point Cadet Dimestore Figures,
- 35 Ferdinand Gutman, United States**
Active Sammy on the Firing Line, 1922
- 36 Harold Pestana**
Nile River Boat Flotilla, Formerly of the Malcolm Forbes Collection, 1990

MAKER HIGHLIGHT: WARREN

Among the rarest and finest American made toy soldiers are those of the Warren Lines. John Warren Jr. founded the company in Brooklyn in 1935 and quickly achieved notoriety for his well-crafted figures. It was not until sculptress Margaret Cloninger was brought on that Warren figures reached their pinnacle. Cloninger was sculpting for multiple toy manufacturers and it is speculated that Warren recruited her to improve the artistic quality of his line. With her skills, Warren figures attained a level of achievement that rivaled their European counterparts artistically and anatomically. The partnership worked so well that Cloninger and Warren eventually married. In the United States, however, dimestore figures proved too popular and the higher price and sophistication of Warren figures did not draw buyers, forcing the company to close in 1941.

VARIOUS MAKERS CASE 3



DIMESTORE FIGURES (cont.)

37 Miller, United States

American World War II Dimestore Figures

38 McLoughlin Brothers, United States (1879-1920)

Parade of American Soldiers

39 Barclay, United States (1935-1951)

U.S. Army Dimestore Figures

40 Manoil, United States

American World War I Dimestore Figures

41 Beiser/Eureka, United States (1898-1925)

American Sailors

42 Barclay, United States (1935-1951)

- *American Sailor Dimestore Figure*
- *American Marine Dimestore Figure*
- *Grey Iron, United States (1933-1984)*
- *West Point Cadet Dimestore Figures*

43 Grey Iron, United States (1933-1984)

- *Native American Dimestore Figure*
- *Boy Scout Dimestore Figure*

Barclay, United States (1935-1951)

- *Young Girl Dimestore Figure*
- *American Cowboy Dimestore Figure*

44 Grey Iron, United States (1933-1984)

- *World War I Dimestore Figure*
- *American World War I Dimestore Figures*

45 Milton Bradley, United States

Black Watch Set

46 Warren, United States (1936/1937)

American World War I Infantry

47 German (casting)/Peter Werner (painting), Germany/United States, Contemporary

West Point Cadet

48 McLoughlin Brothers, United States (1879-1920)

Paper Soldiers

49 McLoughlin Brothers, United States (1879-1920)

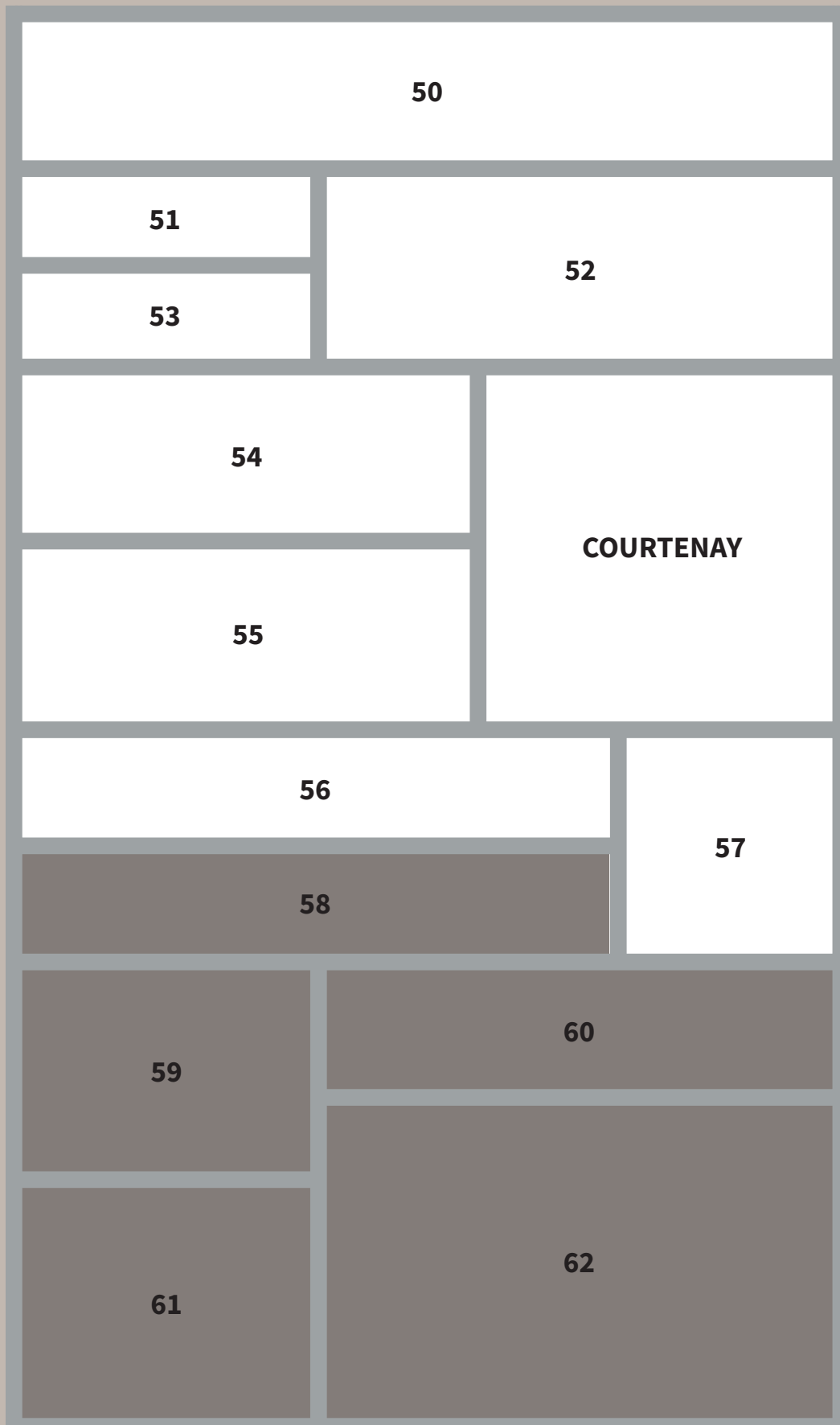
- *Southerland Highlander*
- *East Kent Infantry*

MAKER HIGHLIGHT: AMERICAN DIMESTORE

Dimestore figures are American made toy soldiers from the 1930s to 1950s sold individually in five-and-dime stores such as Kresge, Woolworths, and Ben Franklin. Dimestore figures are hollow cast and the minimally painted figures are 3 inches or 7cm in size to correspond with American made standard gauge toy trains of the time. The popularity of the toy soldier reflected public interest in wars around the world and America's own military preparedness of the era. By the 1970s, dimestore soldiers were replaced by plastic toy soldiers called army men. The low cost of plastic, the increasing cost of metal, and scares of the dangers of metal toys meant the end of the dimestore soldier.

Grey Iron Casting Company located in Mount Joy, Pennsylvania, was the first major dimestore toy soldier maker and was the only company to produce 3 and 3 ¼ inch iron toy soldiers. Production began in 1933, with the introduction of 35 different soldiers. The largest manufacturer of dimestore figures was the Barclay Manufacturing Company. Barclay and their competitors kept prices at about five cents per figure, making them affordable to children. The figures were made of 87% lead and 13% antimony.

VARIOUS MAKERS CASE 4



ENGLISH FIGURES

50 Courtenay, England

- *Medieval Billman*
- *Thierry d'Aufay le Hardi*
- *Sir Robert Dacre*
- *Medieval Glaiveman*
- *Sir Denys de Morbeke*
- *Sir John de Lisle*
- *Wounded Medieval Knight*
- *Piers de Pelleve*
- *Medieval Knight*
- *Jean de Foix*
- *King Edward III*
- *Sir Walter Hopton*
- *Duke of Bourbon*
- *Roger de Peckham*
- *Erle of Nassau*
- *John, Count of Saarbrucken*
- *Medieval Archers*
- *King Jean II, 1930-1960*
- *Duke of Athens*
- *Medieval Knight*

51 Ping, England, 1950s

- *Scottish Soldiers, Jacobite Rebellion*
- *Charles Edward Stewart, Jacobite Rebellion*

52 Timpo Toys, England

- *Beatrix Potter set: Peter Rabbit, Jemima Puddle-Duck, Jeremy Fisher, and Timmy Tiptoes*
- *Hop-along Cassidy boxed set*

53 Graham Farish, England, c. 1953

- *Queen Elizabeth II Coronation*

54 Courtenay, England

- *King George VI, 1950s*
- *Queen Elizabeth II, 1950s*
- *King Charles II, 1950s*
- *Cardinal*
- *Henry VIII and his wives, Catherine of Aragon, Anne Boleyn, Jane Seymour, Anne of Cleaves, and Katherine Parr, 1930-1960*
- *Sir John de Clinton defeating Duke of Bourbon*
- *Edward, the Black Prince, Z18*
- *Pharaoh Seti I and Queen Nefertiti*

55 Courtenay, England, 1975-1985

- *Battle of Crecy*

56 Rose Miniatures, England

- *French World War I Officer*
- *American Sailor*
- *British Infantryman*
- *Black Watch Highlander*
- *Indian Army Officer*
- *Officer of the Fourth Light Dragoons 1822*
- *Egyptian Chariot, 1950s*

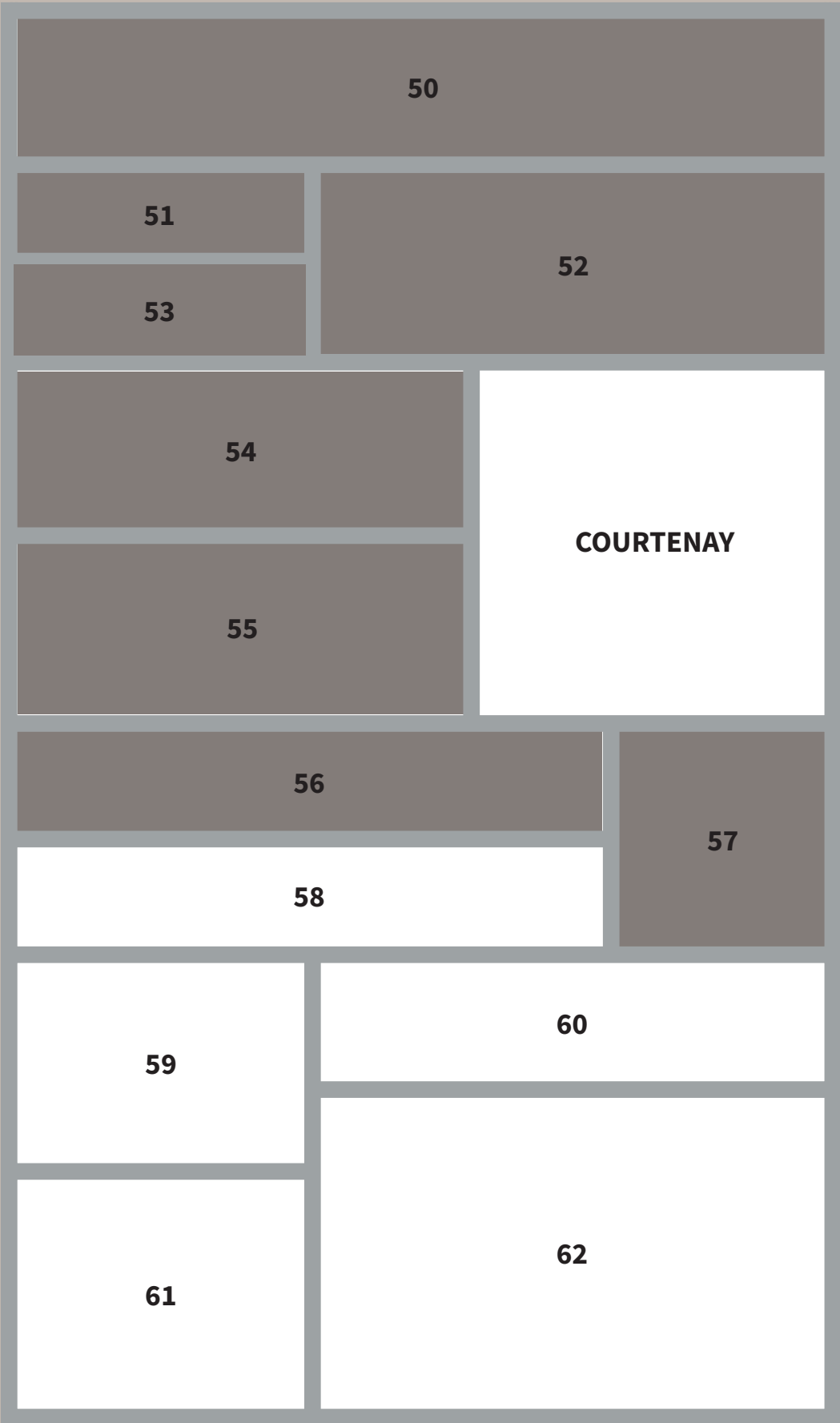
SET OF DISTINCTION

57 Ping (figure) / Vertunni(horse), England

King Edward I

Frederick Ping was a well-known toy soldier manufacturer from the late 1930s to the 1950s. In this model his work was “married” with that of Gustave Vertunni to create a unique grouping. The horse was made by Vertunni and the figure of King Edward by Ping. The model has excellent provenance having once been owned by H. C. (Nod) Faulkner, former President of the British Model Soldier Society. Furthermore, the figure of King Edward was the central piece in the window display entitled “Parade of Sovereigns” at London’s famous toy store Hamleys during the 1953 Coronation celebrations.

VARIOUS MAKERS CASE 4 (cont.)



ENGLISH FIGURES (cont.)

58 Greenhill/Courtenay, England

- *Gui IV Sieur de la Tremoille, H13A, 1980-1990*
- *Archibald Douglas, 95, 1982*
- *Giles d'Aycelin, Sieur of Montaigu, Z3, 1997*
- *Bernard I de Ventadour, 1984*
- *Battle of Poitiers 1356*
- *Joan of Arc*

Courtenay-Ping, England

- *Hundred Year War Longbow Archers*

59 Greenwood and Ball, England

- *British Naval Officer, 1950s*
- *Highlander Officer*
- *German World War II Officer*
- *German World War II General*
- *British Horse Guard*
- *Australian World War II Soldier*
- *Yeomanry Officer*
- *Indian Army officer*

60 Courtenay, England

- *The Black Prince*
- *Louis D'Espagne, King of the Fortunate Isles*
- *Sir John Calvin*
- *Le Sire Abernathy*
- *King Jean II*
- *Graf von Rosen*
- *Sir Lord Thomas Braose*
- *Thomas, Erle of Warwick*
- *John de Sarnesfield*
- *Sir James Pype*
- *Otto Von Klux*
- *Medieval Knight*
- *Flag of Holy Roman Emperor*
- *Sir Henry Percy, 1950s*
- *The Black Prince, 1950s*
- *Sir John Chandos*
- *Sir Nele Loring*
- *King Edward I*
- *King Jean II*
- *Sir Hugh Courtenay*
- *Sir Walter Beauchamp, H12*

- *Alain, Lord of Montendre, H13*
- *Sir John de Vienne*

61 Under Two Flags, England

- *British Man-of-War's Boat*

62 Benbros, England

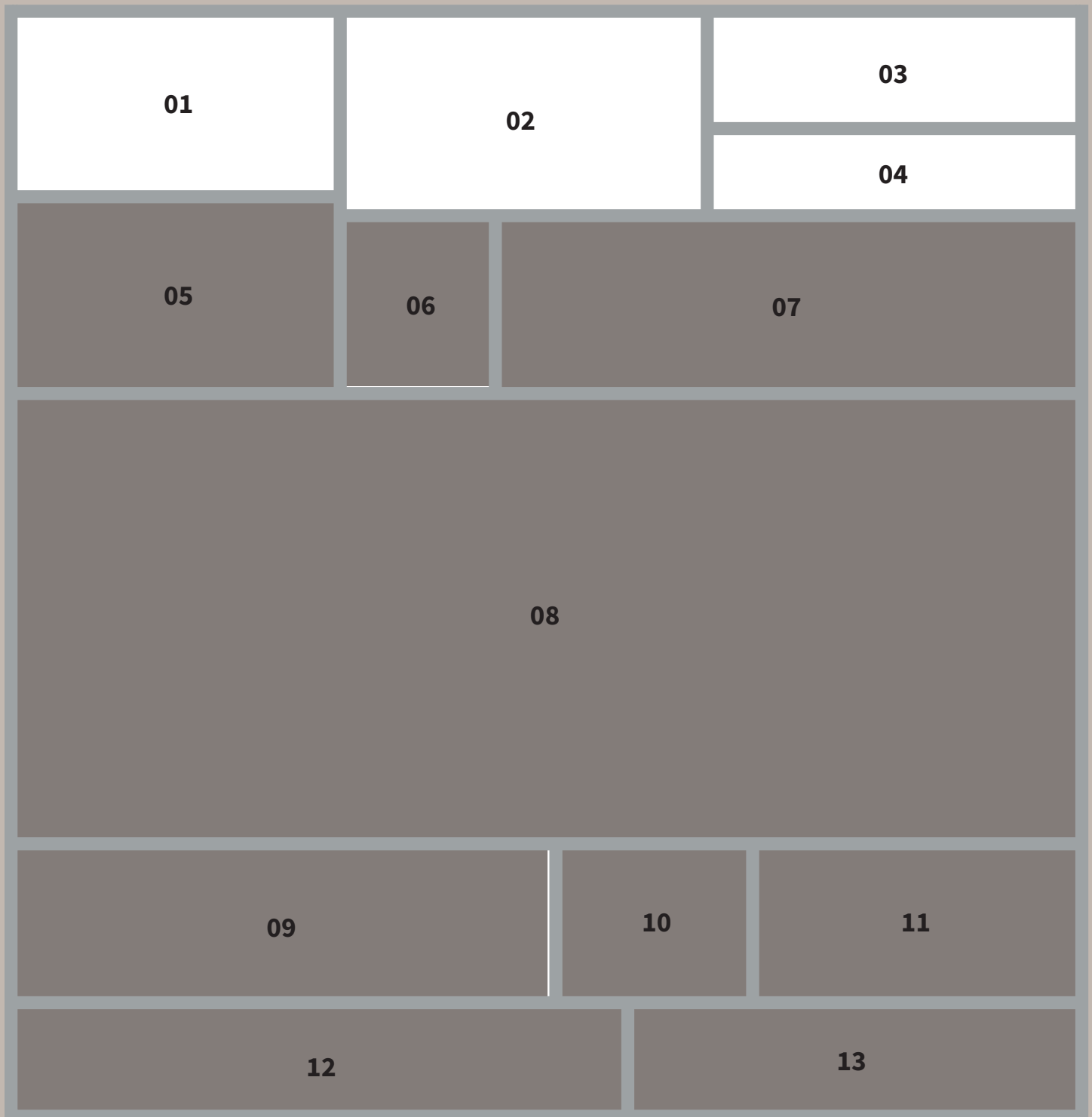
- *Robin Hood and His Merry Men*

MAKER HIGHLIGHT: COURTENAY

Toy knights go back centuries, but the English maker Richard Courtenay (1928-1965) took them to a whole new level. Courtenay produced exquisitely sculpted 54mm knights painted in authentic heraldry. His talent as a miniatures painter was discovered while he was a student at the Slade School of Fine Art. At the end of World War I, he set up shop with Ernest Doran producing boxed sets of 45mm lead medieval toy soldiers, marketed as 'Courtenay & Doran'. Courtenay issued over 300 variations of foot and mounted figures before specializing in knights. Until World War II, Courtenay figures were hollow cast, but he was convinced by fellow master craftsman Frederick Ping to make solid cast figures.

Courtenay found a patron in the owner of Hummel's House of Miniatures in London's Burlington Arcade, Piccadilly, who nurtured Courtenay Knights for many years in his popular shop. After Courtenay's death, his son Reginald and Hummel commissioned the maker's old friend, Frederick Ping, to take charge of the molds and a new era of Courtenay-Pings was ushered in. This tradition is carried on by Peter Greenhill of Greenhill Miniatures who acquired the Courtenay molds after Ping's death in 1977.

W. BRITAIN CASE 1 (cont.)



WILLIAM BRITAIN, ENGLAND

- 01** *The Irish Guards, #107, 1900*
The Devonshire Regiment 11th Foot, #110, 1901
Boer Infantry, #26, 1908

SET OF DISTINCTION

- 02** *Boar War Supply Column, c. 1901*

Britains did not sell this set, give it a designated catalog number, include it in their listing, or feature it in any of their catalogs. The item was sold exclusively by wholesaler C.F. Eckhardt and Company Limited (C.F.E). This set is usually included in the top 12 most desirable sets sought after by Britains collectors.

SET OF DISTINCTION

- 03** *Salvation Army: Officers, Band & Colours, #10, 1906*

This is one of the rarest Britains sets, made even rarer by the inclusion of the original box, which is the only one known to exist. The set was discontinued in 1908.

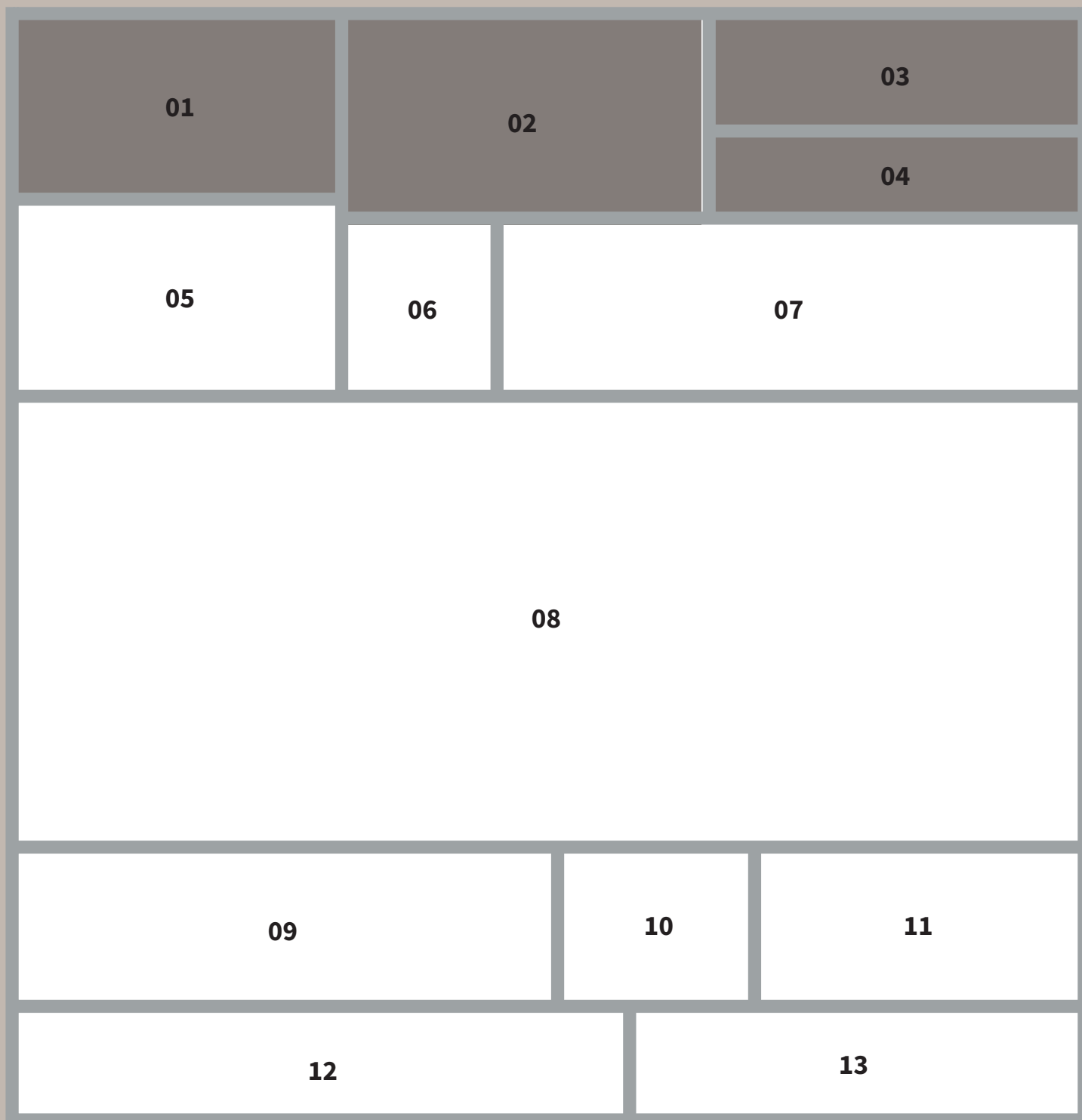
04 Britain (Paris Office), England/France

- “B-size” Britains Chassurese á Pieds, 1916*
French Infanterie de Ligne, #141, 1905
French Zouaves, #142, 1905
French Infantry, #9.5.1905, 1905

MAKER HIGHLIGHT: W. BRITAIN

The story of the W. Britain Company begins around 1845 when the company made expensive fly wheel driven gyroscopic toys. But in 1893, William Britain Senior claimed to have invented what are now known as hollow casts that revolutionized the toy soldier industry, when he in fact only perfected the technique. Recent research indicates that it was probably German manufactures who first devised the hollow cast method, and Britains adopted the idea after possibly having their first mold made in Germany. Close study of some early Britains figures shows a distinct Germanic appearance. A hollow cast soldier is made by filling a mold with molten lead, allowing a shell to harden and then pouring the still molten lead back out. By saving lead, the most costly part of a soldier at the time, William Britain Senior pioneered a cost-effective mode of production. Passing these savings onto the customers, W. Britain toy soldiers quickly became one of the most popular brands by the early 20th century. Production of W. Britain toy soldiers continues today, although no longer owned by the Britain family, and after more than 120 years the company has the largest oeuvre of toy soldiers among makers.

W. BRITAIN CASE 1 (cont.)



WILLIAM BRITAIN, ENGLAND (cont.)

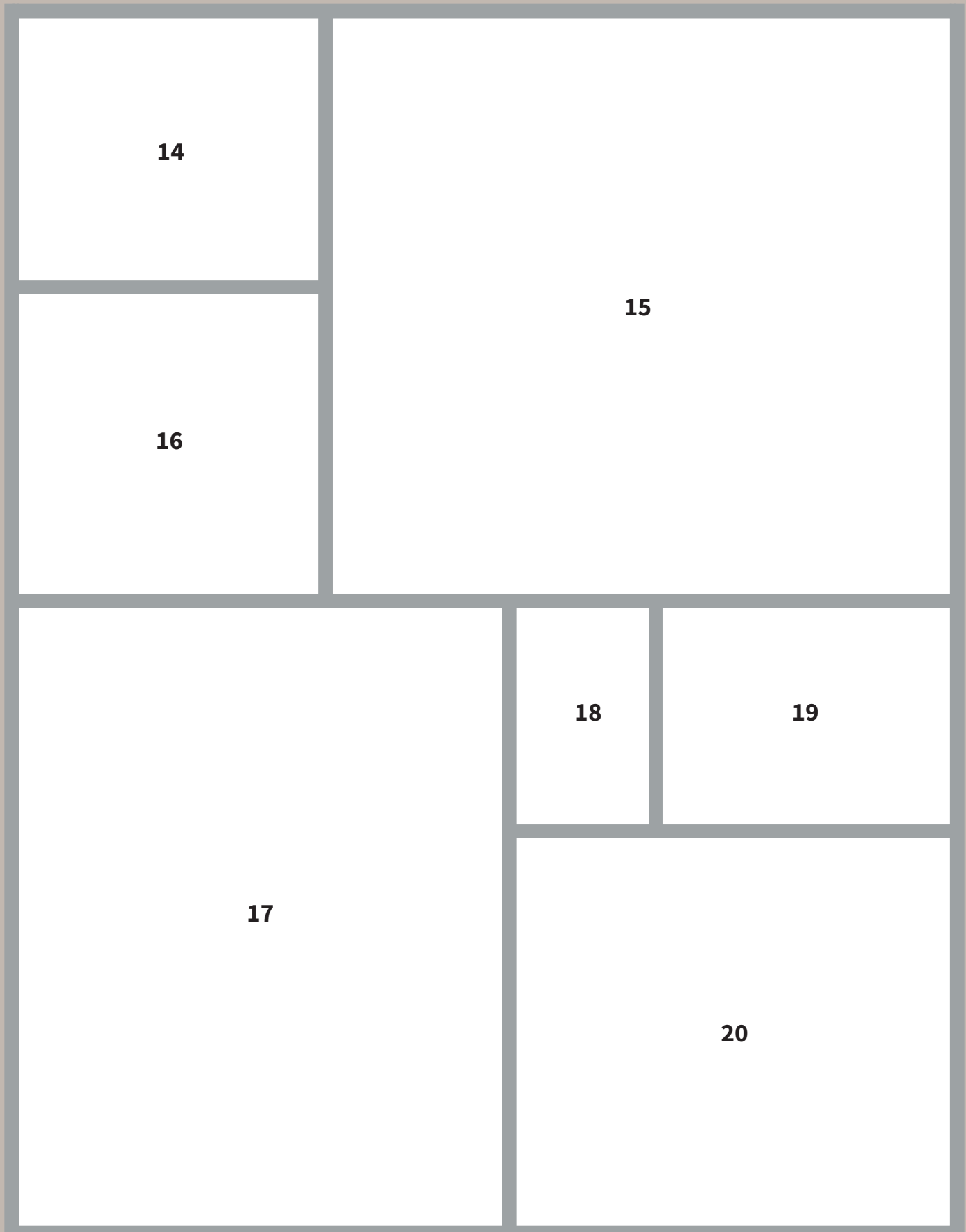
- 05** *Royal Army Medical Corps Version One, #145, 1906*
Royal Army Medical Corps Nurse, #137, 1905
- 06** *Life Guard from the Collection of Gary and Susan Miller, #1, 1893*
Royal Horse Guard from the Collection Gary and Susan Miller, #2, 1893
Fifth Dragoon Guard, #3, 1893
- 07** *Princess Louise's Argyle and Sutherland Highlanders, #15, 1893*
42nd Highlanders Black Watch, #11, 1893
The Middlesex Yeomanry Cavalry: Duke of Cambridge's Hussars, #83, c. 1898
1st Country of London Middlesex Imperial Yeomanry: Duke of Cambridge's Hussars, #83
Brass Band of the Line, #27, c. 1896
Life Guards Past and Present #1837, #1897 & #72, c. 1897
17th (Duke of Cambridge's Own) Lancers, #81, c. 1897
- 08** *British Army Presentation Case, #132, 1906-1932*
- 09** *British WWII Centurion Tank, #2150, 1957*
Bren Gun Carrier, #1876, 1940
Armoured Car, #1321, 1934-1941
British Royal Artillery Gun, #1201, 1931
18" Heavy Howitzer, wheeled, #2107
Armoured Car, #1321, 1934-1941
Army Staff Car, #1448, post-war 1951-1959
18" Heavy Howitzer Garrison, #1265, 1931-1954
4.5" Anti-Aircraft Gun, #1522, 1937-1941
4.5" Naval Gun, #1264, 1946-1966
- 10** *Coldstream Guards Band, #37, 1925*
- 11** *Zulu Kraal Native Village, #188, 1933*
- 12** *West Point Cadets, Winter Dress, #226, 1926-1941*
West Point Cadets, Summer Dress, #299, 1927-1941

SET OF DISTINCTION

- 13** *Clyde Model Dockyard Set, 1930's*

This unique grouping was displayed in the window of The Clyde Model Dockyard Hobby shop in Glasgow Scotland during the 1930s. Eight separate tin plate mounted groups of figures would have originally been mechanically driven in order to rotate around the window. This group is the only one known to exist. Britains also made larger mechanical displays for the Coronations of 1937 and 1953 but were eventually broken up and sold as individual items.

W. BRITAIN CASE 2



WILLIAM BRITAIN, ENGLAND (cont.)

- 14** *Gyroscopic Four Horse Race, c. 1890*
- 15** *Scots Guards, #130, 1906-1941*
- 16** *Boxed Famous Football Teams Series Derby County, 1936*
- 17** *British Cavalry Presentation Case, #129, 1903-1938*
- 18** *Infanterie de Ligne, #141, 1925-1941*

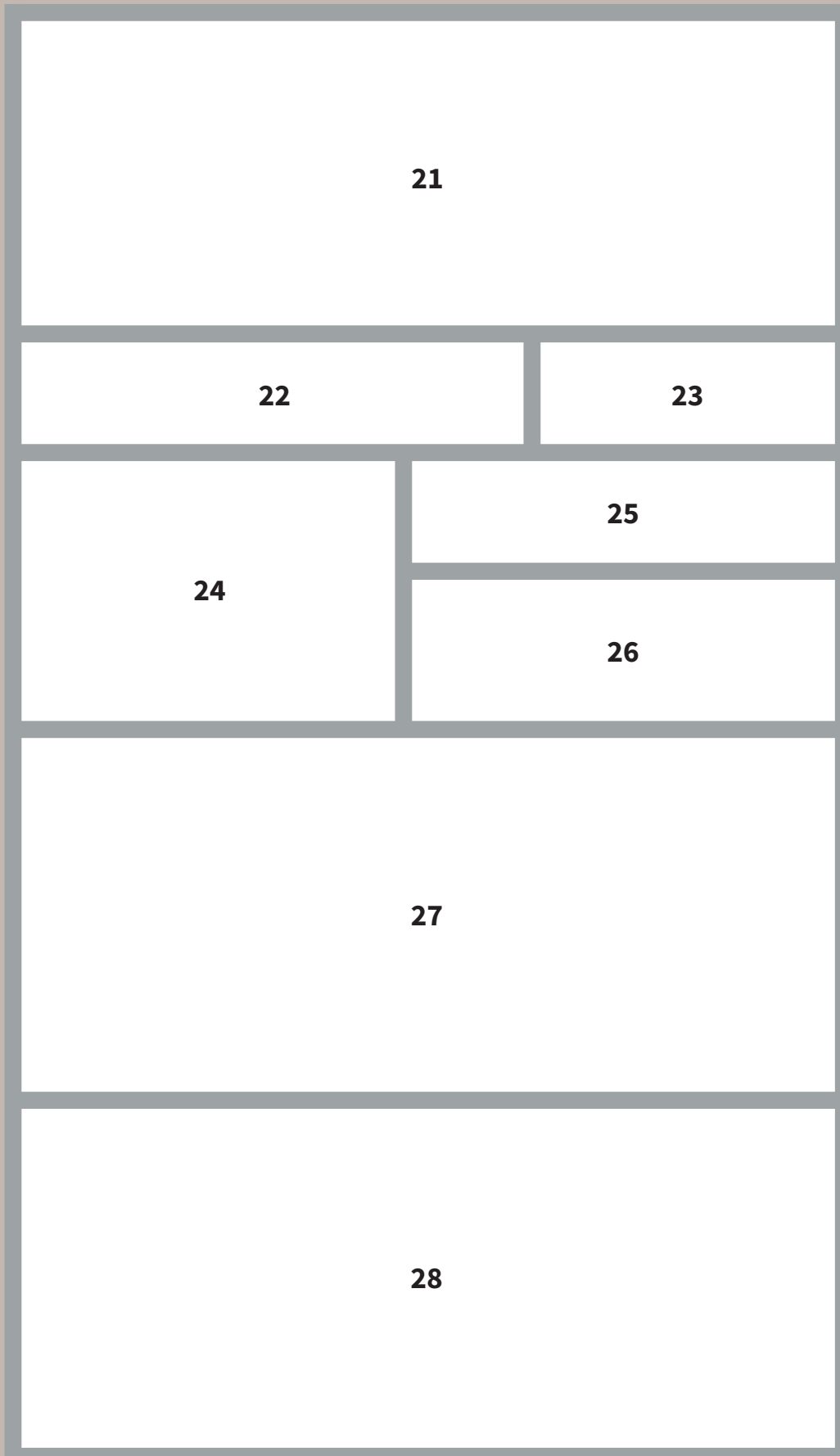
SET OF DISTINCTION

- 19** *Civilians Version Two, #168, 1925*

Originally named “Civilians” when issued, the title of the set was changed to “Pedestrians” around 1926. Britains were well known for being up to date on trends in military and civilian clothing. The set displayed is the second version featuring females in popular late 1920s style flapper dresses while the first version included ladies in Edwardian garb with long dresses and headscarf’s holding on to their motoring hats.

- 20** *North American Indians and Cowboys Display Special Assortment, S.A, 1913*

W. BRITAIN CASE 3



WILLIAM BRITAIN, ENGLAND (cont.)

- 21** *Delhi Durbar Display, 1994-2004*
- 22** *British Coldstream Guards, Attention, #2082, 1954-1966*
Cowboys Mounted, #179, 1913
Royal Scots Greys (2nd Dragoons), #32, 1946-1966
Royal Navy Landing Party, #79, 1952-1966
Coldstream Guards, #75, 1948-1966
- 23** *Fort Henry Guards with Mascot, #2148, 1957-1966*
- 24** *Motor Cycle with Sidecar, #641, 1931*
Royal Mail Van, #1552, 1937
- 25** *Fort Henry Guards with Mascot, #2148, 1957-1966*
- 26** *British Infantry Charging in Gas Masks, #1613, 1946-1966*
- 27** *Zoological Display, #4Z, c. 1931*

SETS OF DISTINCTION

- 28** *Circus Roundabout, #1439, 1936*

Archer with Target, #1344, 1934

This archer was part of an experimental line of non-aggression style toys produced between the two world wars after that the sales of military themed toys lost favor with consumers. The archer is a departure from the traditional 2 ¼ inch tall Britain figure standing at 4 inches.

Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs, #1654, 1938

Britains entered a licensing agreement with Disney to produce this and other Disney characters. Snow White was the first full-length animated feature film released in 1937 and the earliest Disney animated feature film. The complete and intact boxed set with names of the Dwarfs is exceptionally difficult to obtain and is eagerly sought after by both lead figure and Disney collectors.

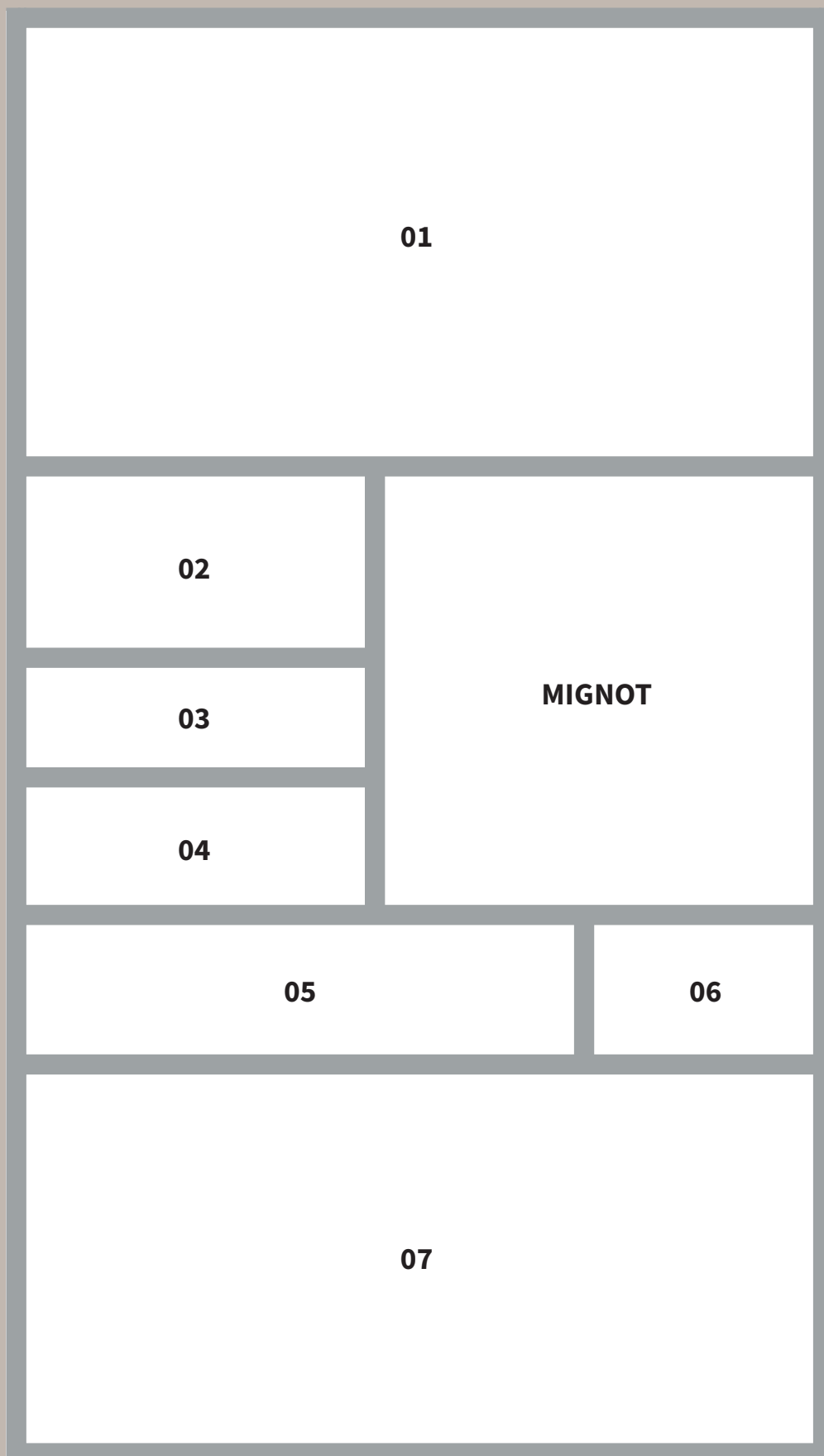
W. BRITAIN CASE 4



WILLIAM BRITAIN, ENGLAND (cont.)

- 29** *Coronation Set, #2081, 1953*
- 30** *H.M. Queen Elizabeth II on Horseback, #2065, 1953*
The State Open Road Landau, #2094, 1954-1967
- 31** *U.S. Military Band, #2110, 1950-1960's*
- 32** *French Zouaves, #142, 1948-1966*
- 33** *U.S. Marine Corps, #228, 1946-1966*
U.S. Marines Color Guard, #2101, 1955-1963
U.S. Marine Corp Band in Summer Dress, #2112, 1956-1960
- 34** *Household Cavalry Musical Ride, #9405, 1954-1965*
- 35** *British 4th Hussars, #8, 1901*
- 36** *Band of the Fort Henry Guard, #2177, 1959-1965*
- 37** *Changing of the Guard at Buckingham Palace, #1555, 1946-1965*
- 38** *Royal Corps of Signals Dispatch Riders, #1791, 1949-1966*
- 39** *British Naval Display with Naval Landing Party, #1648, 1940-1941*
- 40** *U.S. Infantry WWI Doughboys, 227, 1926-1947*
- 41** *Belgian Grenadiers in Greatcoats, #2009, 1948-1959*
- 42** *U.S. Infantry Soldiers, Service Dress, #2033, 1949-1966*
- 43** *Fort Henry Guard Pioneers, 2182, 1959-1966*
- 44** *Sweden, Svea Lifeguards in Ceremonial Dress, #2035, 1949-1966*
- 45** *King's African Rifles, 225, 1926-1960*
- 46** *British Grenadier Guards in Greatcoats, #312, 1946-1966*
- 47** *Greek Evzones, #196, 1946-1966*
- 48** *Queens Own Cameron Highlanders, #89, 1920*
- 49** *U.S. Army Military Band, #1301, 1934-1955*
- 50** *U.S. Army Air Corps, #2044, 1950-1960*
- 51** *French Foreign Legion, #1711, 1954-1959*
- 52** *Band of the Royal Scots Greys, #1720, 1946-1965*
- 53** *General Service Limbered Waggon Active Service Order, #1331, 1941*
Royal Field Artillery 10 Horse, 18" Heavy Howitzer, #211, 1920-1941
Indian Army Mountain Battery, #1903, 1940-1941
- 54** *16th Century Knights, #1307, 1948-1966*
- 55** *Centurion Tank, #2150, 1957*
- 56** *Band of the U.S. Army, #2117, 1956-1961*

FRENCH FIGURES CASE 1



MAKER HIGHLIGHT: MIGNOT

CBG Mignot was founded in 1825 in Paris, France and is the oldest toy soldier company still in existence. Henri Mignot first joined Cuperly, Blondrel and Gerbeau in 1903, and by 1921 Mignot was the sole owner of the factory. Production focused on French Napoleonic Troops, but also large non-military display sets such as circus, zoo, and alpine. The Mignots were distinguished by their presentation in beautiful red boxes with a scenic background.

Mignot's military items carry a distinctive mark on the underside of the base, similar to that of Lucotte. Cavalry are in boxed sets of six and Infantry in sets of 12. After the death of Henri Mignot in 1965, his daughter, Mme. Bontemps, succeeded him until 1976. Today, Monsieur Edouard Pemzec owns the company and lovingly crafts soldiers from the old molds. Pemzec also releases a large number of sets which are unique to the new company, continuing the persevering love of the old craft of toy soldier production.

FRENCH FIGURES

01 CBG Mignot, France (1992-2004)

Combat Naval Devant Port Arthur #437, 1904

02 Société Française de Fabrication de Bébés et Jouets, France

French Infantry, 1910

03 Frenchal, France

French Imperial Guards, 1935

04 Berdou, France

Mounted Dragoon Elite, 1945

Laurent de Gouvion Saint-Cyr, Marechal d'Empire, 1955

Marechal Poniatowski, 1955

05 Unknown Maker, France

Wheeled Cavalry, 1880

06 Madame Metayer, France

Napoleonic Old Guard, 1941

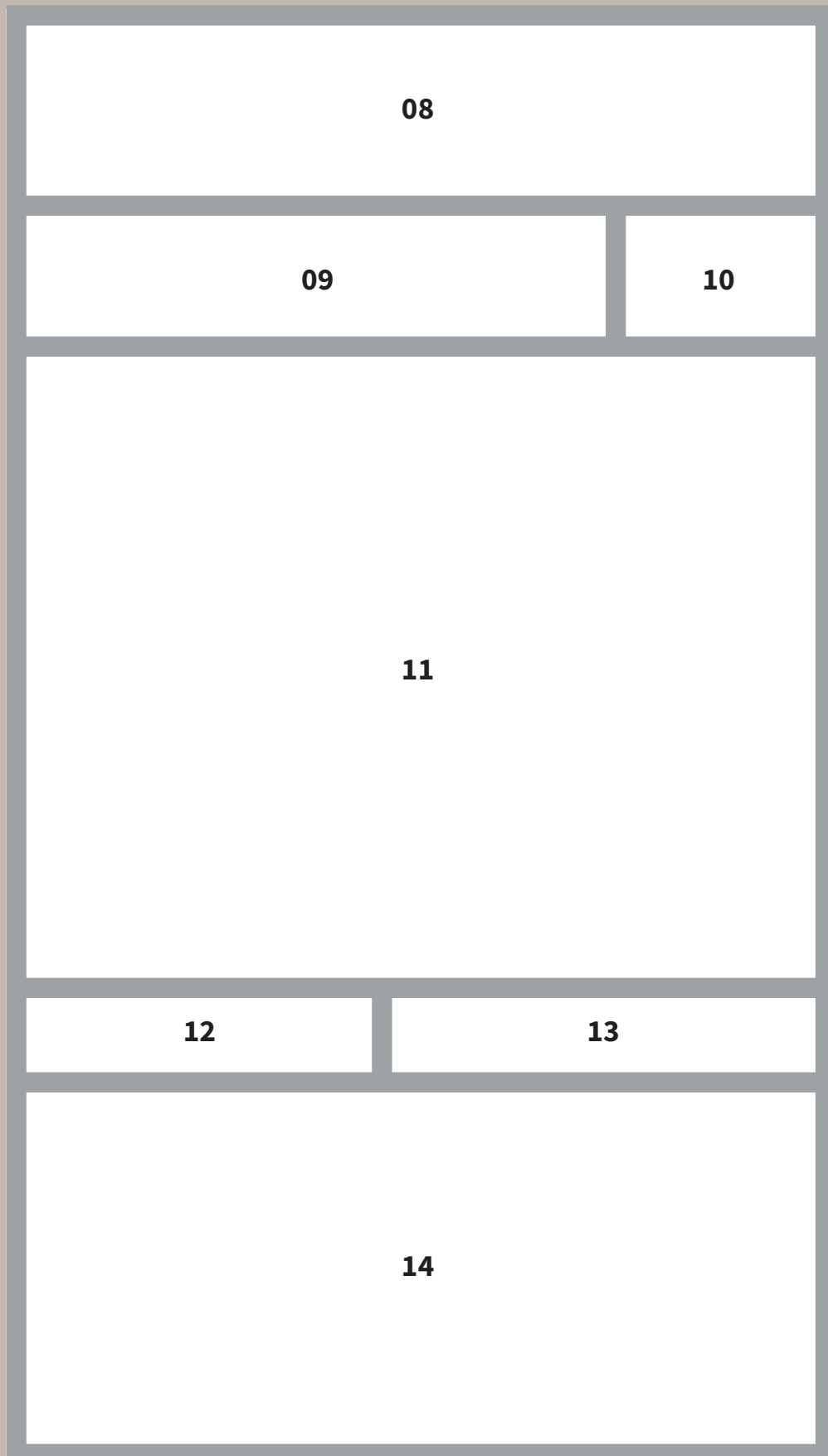
Napoleonic Flag Bearer, 3rd Regiment Grenadier 1811, 1941

Napoleonic Grenadier Imperial Guard, 1941

07 George Munkle, France

Armee France, 1950's

FRENCH FIGURES CASE 2



FRENCH FIGURES *(cont.)*

08 CBG Mignot, France (1950-1960's)

American Army Maneuvers, Camp Infantry and Cavalry, #761

09 Mignot, France

Napoleonic Figures, Pre War

10 Lucotte, France

Napoleonic Figure

11 CBG Mignot, France

The State Visit of Felix Faure, President of France, to St. Petersburg, #8031

12 Unknown Maker, France

Demi Round Cavalry

13 CBG Mignot, France

French World War I Poilus, #1505 and #1507

14 CBG Mignot, France

Le Retour des Cendres de Napoleon

The Frazier appreciates the contributions of toy soldier expert Norman Joplin for assisting with the scholarship and presentation of the Stewart Toy Soldier Gallery.

W. Britains provided the toy soldiers for the interactive play tables in the gallery and museum, thus assuring a new generation will come to appreciate and enjoy toy soldiers.

FRENCH FIGURES CASE 3

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FRENCH FIGURES *(cont.)*

15 Dufor, France

Large Scale French Figures

16 Zoller, Germany

French Display

17 Auger, France (1950-1956)

S' Martin des Champs French Standard Bearer

Diesbach French Standard Bearer

Royal Corse 1786 French Standard Bearer

5th Opportune French Standard Bearer

18 CBG Mignot, France

Greek World War I Infantry Flag Bearer

19 X.R., France

American World War I Flag Bearer, 1935

20 CBG Mignot, France

World War I French Airbase, formerly of the Malcom Forbes Collection, #545

21 Unknown Maker, France

French Sailors, c. 1850-1860

22 Ballada, France

Napoleonic Old Guard, 1950's

23 Mignot, France

Barnyard Display, 1930

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