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Elmira Star-Gazette, Diane Janowski, “Elmira History: Remembering banjo pioneer Frank Buchanan Converse”. Converse toured as a musician throughout the nineteenth century in a minstrel company, playing in locations around the United States and in London. Some historians gave him the nickname, “The Father of the Banjo”, as he greatly popularized the instrument in the United States by touring and writing about its musicianship. According to the *Star Gazette*, Converse wrote at least nine books on playing the banjo, and many musicologists agree today that his method of playing has yet to be improved upon. A sharp copy of the vaunted musician’s guide to playing the quintessential folk instrument. $450
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13. Patton, George S.; Blumenson, Martin, [Ed.]. **The Patton Papers 1885-1940; 1940-1945.** Boston: Houghton Mifflin Company, 1972; 1974. First edition. 2 vol. Large 8vo. [11], xii-xx, [3], 4-996, [6]; Black cloth with gold lettering blocked in red on the front boards and spines. Price of $15.00 on the front flap of the dust jacket. Volumes one and two both illustrated with twelve double-sided plates of black and white photographs and with a few full-page maps. Maps and photographs done by Samuel H. Bryant. Near Fine. A small concavity to the spine of volume two, a strip of toning to volume two’s textblock, both prices inked out on the front flap of volume two’s dust jacket. Patton’s personal diaries, letters, and papers arranged by Blumenson into a stirring biography and military history of the famous American general. **$300**

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20. [Photography]; [Charlie Chaplin]; [National Gallery of Art]. *On the Art of Fixing a Shadow: 150 Years of Photography*. Washington DC: National Gallery of Art [1989]. 32” by 22”. Poster. The main image is a gelatin silver print of Charles Chaplin taken in 1925, the print done by Edward Steichen. The poster is printed in black, white, and grey. The exhibition was featured at the National Gallery of Art in Washington, D.C. from May 7 1989 - July 30 1989, then at The Art Institute of Chicago from September 16 1989 to November 26 1989, and finally in the Los Angeles County Museum of Art from December 21 1989 to February 25 1990. The exhibition was made possible by a grant from Eastman Kodak Company. Very near Fine. National Gallery of Art, “On the Art of Fixing a Shadow: 150 Years of Photography”. Over 400 photographs were chosen from private collections and museums around the world for this exhibition. The earliest image dated to 1839, the latest to 1989. The work of over 200 photographers was featured. The exhibition showcased innovations in photography over the course of its history. The exhibition also commemorated the 150th anniversary of William Henry Fox Talbot’s invention of “the negative-positive process of photography” in 1839. This invention gave the exhibition its name. Curators from The Art Institute of Chicago and from the National Gallery of Art collaborated to put on the exhibition. $200
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