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THE COVER: The very ordinary looking Colt Single-Action Army revolver gracing the cover was sold at auction for a record price by Christie's in New York City on May 14. The 7½"-barrelled .45 Colt is hardly ordinary, of course. It bears Serial No. 1. Sharing the cover from the auction is a Smith & Wesson Model 1 .22 revolver. Engraved by Gustave Young, it has a gold-plated brass frame. For more on both guns, see p. 15. Photo by G. Allan Brown.

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