

Lindbergh Cover Goes For \$1725

A Lindbergh matchbook popped up on ebay in February. The seller said, "About 20 years ago I purchased an antique cigar humidifier from an estate. In it was this book of matches. I placed it in my safe, and it has been there since then."

It went for a final price of \$1,725 on February 10th. That ain't chicken feed, but it's a far cry from the record of \$4,000 paid for a similar matchbook in 1991.

Lindbergh matchbooks appear from time to time. It'd be interesting to see just how many such matchbooks are known to exist. Previously unknown ones have cropped up over the years, but it still amounts to a small handful.

Some comparative stats: In 1994, c. 1910 Diamond Washington Crisps matchbook sold for \$4001; in 2004, Joel Acus, OH, bought the oldest known dated cover (OH Bankers Ass. 1898) for \$482.77; Also, in 2004, the Piso cover was offered on ebay for \$5,000.....no takers.

