



OBJECT ID	2015.21.9
OBJECT NAME	Button
DATE CREATED	1940s
EVENT	World War II
MEASUREMENTS	2.7000200000 cm. W x 2.54 cm. Diameter, Item (Overall)
MATERIAL	Metal; Paper; Plastic
OBJECT ENTITIES	Brown, Constantine (owned by)

OBJECT DESCRIPTION

A pin-back button. The button has a yellowish background and light blue border. The background was probably originally white but has yellowed with age. The button depicts two flags flying on poles. To the right is a Greek flag, and to the left and behind the Greek flag is an American flag. Under the flags is a colored area made up of many small blue dots. The bottom edge of the button says "Apollo Jewelry Co., 106 Fulton Street., New York. The back is made of metal and has a non-fastening pin. At the top of the button, the paper and plastic that make up the front of the button have become detached from the metal backing. There is also a loose piece of plastic near the bottom of the button. The metal back is very rusty and there is some sort of seal or logo embossed on it.

ORIGIN

This button was donated by Jenny Boondas. It was part of a collection belonging to her brother-in-law, Constantine Brown, who died in 2014. This button is probably from World War II. It was likely made for the Greek American community to support both the Greek and American efforts in the war or simply to show pride in the Greek-American community.

The Apollo Jewelry Company, now called Apollo Manufacturing, is a jewelry company based in New York.

CITATION

Button, 1940s, *National Hellenic Museum*, <https://hellenic.whirlihost.com/Detail/objects/>. Accessed 05/08/24.