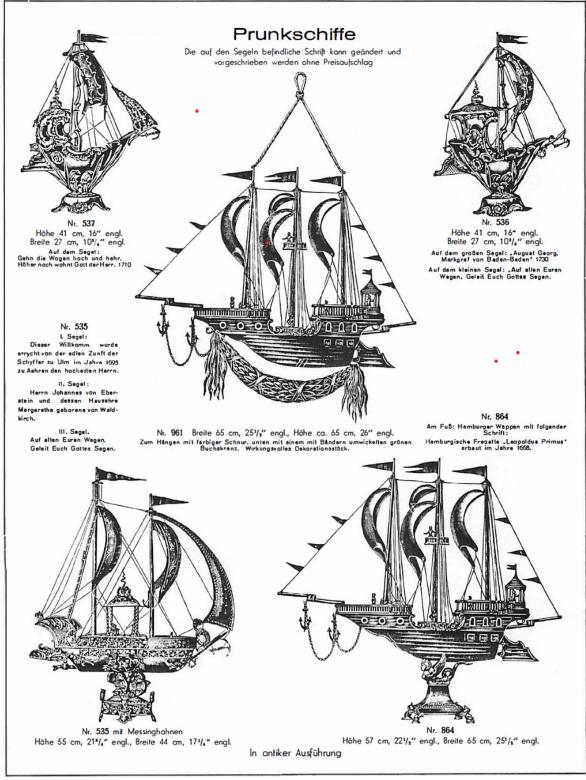
## A German pewter nef in the form of the Leopold I

Late 19th/early 20th century The three-masted convoy ship realistically modelled and labeled in cast to three sides of base: "Leopoldus Primus," "Hamburgische/Fregatte," and "erbaut/im Jahre/1668," and with the Hamburg coat of arms. H: 21, W: 26, D: 5 in. (approx.)



The *Leopoldus Primus*, also called *Leopold I*, was the first convoy ship commissioned to protect the Free and Hanseatic City of Hamburg. She was designed for use against piracy on the trade routes to Spain, Portugal, and West Africa and to accompany whalers to Greenland. Named in honor of Holy Roman Emperor Leopold I, she was put into service in 1668 and scrapped in 1705 after 34 major missions.

Similar in the Weygang catalogue of 1937 – see below – this one might be more the 'Woolworths' version than the 'Harrods' - a little research shows these when popular could be very elaborate and were made 1895-1939.



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