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## Table Medal in Commemoration of the 50th Anniversary of the Uralvagonzavod Factory, by the Leningrad Mint .1986.

In pewter (or similar tin alloy), 50.5 mm wide. The artwork on the obverse includes factory trademark, dates "1936-1986", and hammer & sickle emblem, with a laurel wreath on the side and raised inscription "Uralvagonzavod". The reverse shows main factory building with railroad cars rolling out and inscription "Glory to the 'Firstborn' of the National Railroad Freight Car Manufacturing". Raised logo of the Leningrad Mint and a 1986 date on the reverse at approximately 3 o'clock positon.

The medal is in excellent condition. The raised details are steel-grey finish are perfect.

The Uralvagonzavod Factory in the city of Nizhny Tagil of the Sverdlovsk Region was completed just a few years prior to WW2. Because of its location in the Ural Mountains deep in the Soviet interior and close to the sources of raw materials, the factory proved invaluable when industrial centers in the western parts of the USSR got overrun or evacuated in the first year of German invasion. During the war, the factory greatly expanded to produce not only the rolling stock but also massive number of tanks such as T-34s and KVs, as well as all sorts of military equipment and industrial products. In the post-war years, the huge enterprise designed and manufactured many of Soviet space rockets such as Vostok, Voskhod, Proton and Energia, and was also producing a large array of agricultural and industrial machinery. Currently, it is reportedly the world's largest manufacturer of armored fighting vehicles. Among them is the T-90M "Breakthrough", the most modern tank currently mass-produced in Russia which infamously saw its less than auspicious fighting debut in the invasion of Ukraine.

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