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Through the hospitality of the London Numismatic Society, delegates from various Ontario Numismatic societies met in conference during the London club's annual banquet to study the report prepared by the committee to study the feasibility of the formation of an association of Ontario numismatic societies.

Mr. Rod R. Rekofski, chairman of the committee, presided at the meeting. Mr. Bill Clarke, president of the London Numismatic Society, welcomed the delegates on behalf of the London club.

The committee's report was read by Mr. Bill English, vice-chairman of the committee, and copies were handed to the delegates for their study. The report, a copy of which is attached, found that there was a definite need for an Ontario organization and recommended that an association be formed at the earliest opportunity. Mrs. Louise Graham complimented the committee on the work that went into the preparation of the report.

After a discussion of the findings of the report, Mr. Walter Holmes moved that the meeting endorse the report and proceed with the formation of an Ontario Association. The motion was seconded by Mr. Bill English and was carried unanimously.

The chairman called for a discussion of the name of the organization and upon the motion of Mr. Rudy Sauro, the organization was called "The Ontario Numismatic Association". This motion was seconded by Mr. Robert Cassidy and was carried unanimously.

Mr. Rekofski then advised the delegates that in his opinion there were two choices before the group. One, the meeting could proceed to form an executive or, second, it could authorize the committee to stay in office until a founding convention. The chairman indicated that the committee was prepared to continue to function and was also prepared to proceed with the organization of the association up to the time of a founding convention. The chairman also advised the delegates that the Waterloo Coin Society was prepared to offer its facilities at its annual banquet in March, 1962 for the founding convention. This offer was accepted by the delegates and Mr. Ed. Knight then moved that the committee stay in office until the founding convention is held. The motion was seconded by Mr. Bill Jones and was carried.

The chairman, speaking on behalf of the committee, asked for guidance from the enthusiastic exchange of views took place. At this point, Mr. Ed. Knight explained the organization of the Empire State Numismatic Association. It was then recommended to the committee that it prepare a slate of officers for submission at the founding convention. It was also recommended that club membership in the association be \$10.00 per year and individual membership be \$1.00 per year. The delegates also recommended that voting privileges in the association be restricted to Ontario

residents. The delegates further recommended that upon return to their clubs they sponsor motions to join the association.

Upon the motion of Mr. Ed. Knight, seconded by Mr. Bill Clarke, the chairman, Mr. Rod Rekofski, and the treasurer of the committee, Mr. Bruce H. Raszmann, were empowered to open a bank account with authority to issue cheques and carry on the business of the Ontario Numismatic Association until the founding convention. This motion was carried.

Dr. John S. Wilkinson, President of the Canadian Numismatic Association, was a welcome guest and briefly addressed the meeting at its conclusion. He informed the gathering that he appreciated their problems and wished the new organization the best of success.

The Chairman then adjourned the meeting.

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The committee is now in the process of framing a constitution and preparing for the founding convention to be held in March of 1962, at the third annual banquet of the Waterloo Coin Society.

The committee wishes to thank the various clubs that have indicated their willingness to assist in the formation of the O. N. A. The committee will avail itself of their assistance in the very near future.

The Waterloo Coin Society, sponsor of the Speakers' Circuit, has provided the O. N. A. with the facilities of the Circuit. We understand that there will be several additions made to the Circuit and these will be incorporated in the brochure later in the year.

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The committee is accepting memberships from clubs on the payment of \$10.00 and from individuals on payment of \$1.00. A number of clubs and individuals have already applied for membership and, of course, membership is subject to the approval of the executive when formed.

Applications for membership may be forwarded to the treasurer, Mr. Bruce H. Raszmann, 10 Allen Street East, Waterloo, Ontario. Cheques are payable to: The Ontario Numismatic Association.

You will observe that this publication is called "The Ontario Numismatist". This name was suggested by the Committee and is subject to the approval of the executive when formed.

The chairman and members of the committee appreciate the enthusiasm which has greeted the formation of this new organization and sincerely hope that study and hobby of numismatics will greatly benefit through its formation.

Rod R. Rekofski,
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The committee in charge of the formation of the Ontario Numismatic Association is busily engaged in framing a constitution and expects to be in a position to present a draft constitution to the founding convention at Kitchener, in March, 1962. The committee has approached a number of clubs throughout Ontario for assistance in writing parts of the constitution and is fully confident that the clubs will cooperate in this vital endeavour. The committee well remembers the excellent ideas which were presented by the clubs when the committee was in the process of preparing its report on the formation of the Ontario Association.

New Members

The following applications for membership were received during the months of October and November:

- 1 REKOFSKI, Rod R., 163 Lancaster Street East, Kitchener, Ontario.
 - 2 ENGLISH, William, 71 Columbia Street, Waterloo, Ontario.
 - 3 KNIGHT, Edward, 96 Tretheway Drive, Toronto, Ontario.
 - 4 MUELLER, Philip, 239 Lancaster Street West, Kitchener, Ontario.
 - 5 STAHLEY, Edward, 64 North Drive, Kitchener, Ontario.
 - 6 HICKSON, G. A., 36 Herlan Avenue, Kitchener, Ontario.
 - 7 SMITH, Lloyd T., 123 Arundell Street, London, Ontario.
 - 8 UTTLEY, Frank, 35 Chestnut Street, Kitchener, Ontario.
 - 9 KOVACK, Frank, 37 Burris Street, Hamilton, Ontario.
 - 10 AYERS, Mervyn, Stroud, Ontario.
 - 11 SMITH, Robert, 251 Hedley Street, Preston, Ontario.
 - 12 MARTIN, C. F., 106 Kathleen Street, Sudbury, Ontario.
 - 13 RASZMANN, Bruce, 10 Allen Street, Waterloo, Ontario.
 - 14 YOUNGREN, Roy, 36 Barrie Street, Galt, Ontario.
 - 15 POWELL, William J., 88 Elk Street, Box 1001, Aylmer, Ontario.
 - 16 BIRO, Louie, R. R. #1, Princeton, Ontario.
 - 17 WHITFIELD, Howard, 89 Stanley Street, London, Ontario.
 - 18 CHARLTON, J. E., 80 Richmond Street East, Toronto, Ontario.
 - 19 COOKE, Jack, Arkona, Ontario.
 - 20 SMITH, Franklin, R. R. #2, St. Pauls, Ontario.
 - 21 HOLMES, Walter, 494 Ridout Street North, London, Ontario.
 - 22 SWEIGMAN, Murray L., 227 Victoria Street, Toronto 2, Ontario.
 - 23 WILLEY, R. C., Box 726, Espanola, Ontario.
 - 24 GRAHAM, R. Blake, 11 Elm Avenue, Toronto 5, Ontario.
 - 25 GRAHAM, Ruth, 11 Elm Avenue, Toronto 5, Ontario.
 - 26 PINKUS, Max, 34 Nassau Street, Toronto 2B, Ontario.
 - 27 ODDY, Thomas, 645 Guelph Street, Kitchener, Ontario.
- C1 WATERLOO COIN SOCIETY
c/o Mr. Bruce Raszmann, 10 Allen Street, Waterloo, Ontario.

- C2 HAMILTON COIN CLUB
c/o Mrs. Ethel Sentes, 1271 Coric Avenue, Burlington, Ontario.
- C3 EAST ELGIN COIN CLUB
c/o Mrs. A. Ingram, R. R. #1, Aylmer, Ontario.
- C4 PRESTON COIN CLUB
c/o Mr. Thomas Oddy, 645 Guelph Street, Kitchener, Ontario.

These applications are subject to the approval of the O. N. A. Executive when formed. The numbering is tentative and is also subject to the approval of the O. N. A. Executive.

The committee proposes to recommend to the O. N. A. Executive that the first one hundred members in the association be known as Charter Members.

Applications for membership in the association may be forwarded to the Treasurer, Mr. Bruce Raszmann, 10 Allen Street, Waterloo, Ontario. Individual membership fees are one dollar and club membership is ten dollars.

The O. N. A. will endeavour to forward to new members back issues of the Ontario Numismatist as supplies are available.

Speakers' Circuit

In November, Mr. J. E. Charlton spoke to the members of the Stratford Coin Club on behalf of the Speakers' Circuit. Mr. Charlton spoke on the Saga of Coinage from B. C. to Modern Times. Also in November, Mr. Lloyd T. Smith of the London Numismatic Society spoke to the Owen Sound Coin Club. Mr. Smith spoke on the Romance of Canadian Coinage. Mr. Rod R. Rekofski was the guest speaker at the First Birthday party of the Preston Coin Club in November. Mr. Rekofski spoke on the Coinage of Roman Britain. Mr. Bill English of the Waterloo Coin Society is scheduled to speak to the East Elgin Country Coin Society during its December meeting. Mr. English will be speaking on counterfeits.

The committee appreciates the fact that the Speakers' Circuit up to the present time has been somewhat limited geographically to the Waterloo area, since it originated in that community. However, the committee is most anxious to extend the facilities of the circuit to clubs throughout Ontario and can only do so with the addition of speakers from other parts of the province. The committee, therefore, requests all clubs in Ontario to take stock of their resources, and if possible recommend to the committee the names of speakers who would be willing to perform this service to Ontario clubs. Please forward your recommendations to the attention of the chairman at the address noted on the first page of this issue. Will you also include details of the topics and other useful information as outlined in the Speakers' Circuit Brochure.

The committee will be pleased to forward copies of the Speakers' Circuit to clubs that do not have one in their possession. Please address your requests to the chairman. Copies will be forwarded after amendments have been made.

New Clubs

The committee is presently working on a plan which will assist the formation of new clubs and would be pleased to receive enquiries from interested groups or individuals. Please address your requests or enquiries to the attention of the chairman.

The committee is also interested in learning the names and mailing addresses of newly formed clubs.

The Founding Convention

The Founding Convention of the O. N. A. will be held in Kitchener, at the

Third Annual Banquet of the Waterloo Coin Society. Original plans called for the Convention to be held on March 10, 1962, at the Walper Hotel and these arrangements were confirmed by the hotel some time ago. However, the committee has now received an urgent appeal from the hotel to select another date in view of conflicting engagements booked by the hotel on the same date.

Many numismatists will appreciate that adequate convention facilities are somewhat limited in Kitchener, and in view of the large attendance expected at the founding convention, the Walper Hotel still offers the best facilities available. The committee is presently negotiating with the hotel for an equitable arrangement. A definite date and location will be announced in the near future.

The committee is also exploring the possibilities of holding a two day convention, being Saturday and Sunday.

Mr. Phil Mueller has been appointed convention chairman, and is presently making arrangements for an interesting programme. Mr. Bill English has been placed in charge of the auction, and he will be issuing a call for auction material in the very near future. Only high quality material will be accepted, which is in keeping with the committee's desire to set a high standard in all phases of activities of the O. N. A.

Bourse tables will be available at the convention, and applications accompanied by a fee of twelve dollars will be accepted by the treasurer, Mr. Bruce Raszmann. Ample time will be allowed for sales, and here again high quality merchandise is a requisite and preference will be given to applications in order of receipt.

Convention Medal

The convention committee is presently designing the convention medal. The obverse will bear the crest of the Waterloo Coin Society and the reverse will commemorate the founding convention. The committee hopes to create an attractive medal in keeping with the historical occasion.

Rod R. Rekofski,

Chairman.

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Founding Convention

As intimated in the December issue of the Ontario Numismatist, a change in date was necessary for the Founding Convention since the Walper Hotel had arranged for the MacDonald Briar Championships at the time of our original booking. The committee has now arranged for the Convention to be held on Saturday and Sunday, March 24, and 25, 1962, in the Walper Hotel, Kitchener, Ontario.

Due to the change in date the Walper Hotel has been able to offer the committee much better facilities and we are now able to use the Crystal Ballroom, the Terrace room and the Oak room. This will afford the convention ample room for the many activities planned. For the foot-weary, there will be plenty of sitting accommodation, where subjects of mutual interest can be discussed in congenial surroundings.

The convention will be a two-day event, and the committee has planned interesting activities for each day. Programmes of the events will be forwarded to all clubs and members well before the convention date.

New Members

The committee is pleased to publish a further list of applications for membership, which were received during the month of December, 1961. The committee is gratified at the support of individuals who have requested membership. The Committee would like to see a greater interest from the clubs, since clubs have so much to gain in associating with the O. N. A.

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| 28. DEGRAAF, Peter, 96 Armstrong Street,
Ottawa 3, Ontario. | 29. PELKEY, Lawrence, 35 Brant Street,
Oakville, Ontario. |
| 30. PELKEY, Claudia, 35 Brant Street,
Oakville, Ontario. | 31. MALTBY, Ralph C., 124 Pries Avenue,
Buffalo 20, New York, U. S. A. |
| 32. MCWHA, Albert E., 881 McIntyre Street
West, North Bay, Ontario. | 33. MCWHA, Uraldene E., 881 McIntyre Street
West, North Bay, Ontario. |
| 34. HAM, W. D., Box 910, Chatham,
Ontario. | 35. MUELLER, Ruth, 239 Lancaster Street
West, Kitchener, Ontario. |
| 36. FULLER, Albert, 80 Water Street North,
Kitchener, Ontario. | 37. GRANT, Bill, 1404 King Street,
Preston, Ontario. |
| 38. HERZOG, Heinz, 8 David Street,
Kitchener, Ontario. | 39. SAURO, Rudy, 130 Cameron Street South,
Hamilton, Ontario. |
| 40. SCHROEDER, Ed., 76 Spruce Street,
Oakville, Ontario. | 41. WEISS, Bert, 28 Locust Street,
Kitchener, Ontario. |
| 42. GRIFFIN, Jack, R. R. #5,
Woodstock, Ontario. | 43. RANTA, William, 500 East Spruce Street,
Apt. 1, Sault Ste. Marie, Michigan, U. S. A. |
| 44. CARROLL, Major Sheldon S., 28 Dong-
smith Drive, Halifax, N. S. | 45. ROBINSON, S. W. B., 1260 Bay Street,
Room 340, Toronto 5, Ontario. |
| 46. SPEAR, Allen W., 179 Battery Street,
Fort Erie, Ontario. | 47. BERGMAN, Paul, 3600 Dorr Street,
Toledo 7, Ohio. |

48. CARNEY, J. Lloyd, 9 Kinghorn Avenue, Toronto 9, Ontario.
49. KIRK, Charles, 234 Jane Street, Toronto, Ontario.
50. SAFER, Leon, 4340 Bathurst Street, Toronto, Ontario.
51. DIETRICH, Jack C., Clinton, Ontario.
52. DICKEY, Franklin F., 180 Ashaldn Ave., Buffalo 20, N. Y.

C5 LONDON NUMISMATIC SOCIETY, c/o Mr. Lloyd T. Smith, 123 Arundel Avenue, London, Ontario.

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Speaker's Circuit

The committee is presently revising the Speaker's Circuit and requests the speakers to return details of any changes of their original topics at the earliest opportunity.

The committee wishes to thank Mr. Peter Degraaf of the Ottawa Coin Club for the fine publicity given to the Speaker's Circuit and other phases of the O. N. A. activities as contained in the current issue of the Ottawa Coin Club Bulletin.

Convention Auction - Tenders for

March 24, 25, 1962.

Applications will be received by the auction chairman up to midnight, January 18 for the privilege of conducting a combined floor-mail auction in conjunction with the Convention. The club need not accept any application which is felt to be lacking in sincerity.

1. Each application shall state the amount the bidder is prepared to pay. The successful bidder shall pay this amount to the club treasurer within ten days of being notified.
2. The floor auctions (2) shall consist of not fewer than 100 or more than 250 lots each day, however, the mail auction may contain any number of lots.
3. A list of prices realized will be made available by the auctioneer within 30 days of the sale at a cost of not more than 25 cents.
4. Applications enclosed in an envelope marked "Auction Application" must be received before midnight, January 18 by:

Mr. Bill English,
Box 4,
Waterloo, Ontario.

If no bids are received, the club will conduct the auction and material will be solicited from all interested parties.

Ontario Numismatic Award of Merit

The committee in co-operation with the Waterloo Coin Society is pleased to announce the Ontario Numismatic Award of Merit is to be awarded for the greatest contribution made by any Ontario numismatist towards the advancement of Canadian Numismatics. A suitable award will be presented to the successful nominee at the

Founding Convention in March, 1962. For the award at this convention, a broad interpretation is placed on the type of contribution and may include research, publications or any other activity meriting recognition.

Clubs and interested individuals are encouraged to nominate candidates for this award and are requested to forward the names of nominees together with details of contributions to numismatics in writing on or before February 28, 1962, to Mr. Rod R. Rekofski, Chairman, 163 Lancaster Street East, Kitchener, Ontario. Submissions to the committee, presently being constituted of eminent numismatists, will remain confidential until the award has been announced. Here is an opportunity to give recognition for outstanding achievements in the field of numismatics. The Committee would be pleased if Ontario clubs would give the award the widest publicity in their newsletters.

Club Medal Competition

The committee is pleased to announce a competition for the most attractive club medal struck by an Ontario club. This competition is open to every club in Ontario and the medals will be judged at the Founding Convention of the O. N. A.

Clubs are requested to enter two medals in the competition, for obverse and reverse viewing, and may be struck in any metal. Entries should be forwarded to the Chairman in charge of Displays, Mr. Frank Uttley, 35 Chestnut Street, Kitchener, Ontario, before the convention date. Clubs are suggested to forward medals by registered mail. Please include the name of the designer as well as the name of the company that struck the medal.

The medals will be on display at the Founding Convention and an award for the most attractive medal will be made at the Convention. Medals will be returned to the clubs shortly after the closing of the convention.

The purpose of the competition is to place on display medals struck by Ontario clubs in order that useful information may be gained by clubs presently contemplating striking their own medals in the near future. The committee also hopes to encourage the art of the medallist through this display.

O. N. A. Crest Competition

The committee will be pleased to place on display at the Founding Convention any suggested design for the O. N. A. crest. Designs will be retained by the committee and will be entered into competition when ordered by the Executive following the Convention.

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Editor's Note

You will recall that the committee constituted to study the feasibility of forming an Ontario association, recommended an Ontario Association hold Annual Banquets, and at these Annual Banquets, there should be an exchange of useful numismatic information through discussion groups and lectures. The present committee is securing the services of eminent numismatists to implement this recommendation at the founding convention. Meetings will be held at convenient times on Saturday and Sunday, March 24 and 25, where topics of numismatic interest will be discussed and studied. All persons attending the convention are invited to participate in these groups.

Following the Editor's Note, we are pleased to publish an article entitled 'Canadian 1947 Dot Coinage?' written by Bill English. Mr. English has been able to find some time off from his busy schedule of committee activities to do some research and we are pleased to point out that this is the first contribution to the Ontario Numismatist. We trust that you will find the article interesting and informative. Submissions from other numismatists will be most welcome.

CANADIAN 1947 DOT COINS?

by Bill English

Most eminent numismatists agree that dots, die breaks and wearing of dies do not constitute a variety. A variety as we term it is a different die cut which in turn is used for a period of time. The duration may be for a number of years and at other times, many changes occur in a single issue. Combinations of obverse and reverse strikings may also fall into this category. Dots, maple leaves or any other type of marking cut into a die for a purpose form a true variety as well.

We all know of the 1936 dot series and the wide varieties of reasons for the missing cents and ten cent pieces of this issue. I will not try to discuss or solve that problem in this article.

The question that arises in my mind is the possibility of even another variety of 1947 coinage, that is the dot coins of this issue. The current catalogues list the nickle and quarter, and value them quite high in comparison with the plain and maple leaf varieties. Could the 1947 dot quarter be the 1947 maple leaf, with the maple leaf design in the die plugged to leave a tiny dot? Could the dot at the lower right corner of the seven on the nickle be a pitting of the die? I do not know.

Recently on checking my 1947 long point silver dollars, I came across some with a dot located to the right of the seven. It is clear and distinct, and in most cases, the coins are uncirculated. My search for similar cent, ten cent, and fifty cent pieces with dots on them have so far proven fruitless.

Whether my find is a coincidence, or whether there is truly another variety of our much complicated 1947 issue, only time will tell. The long point dollar is quite scarce, and I do not have a quantity to make a comparative study. I would like to hear from other collectors who may be able to shed some light on the matter. Any information that can be compiled on the relative scarcity and whether or not 1947 dot cents and dimes do exist will be reported as soon as sufficient information is available.

New Members

The committee is pleased to publish a further list of applications for membership which were received during the month of January, 1962.

53. GOWAN, Allan W., 187 Walnut Street, Corning, New York, U. S. A.
54. ROY, Alfred A., c/o Hotel Clinton, Clinton, Ontario.
55. TICKNER, Ralph R., 804 Retlaw Drive, Sarnia, Ontario.
56. GARSIDE, M., 17 Raitar Street, Kitchener, Ontario.
57. HARTON, Ross, 212 South Brack Street, Sarnia, Ontario.
58. PARK, D. W., 308 Savoy Street, Sarnia, Ontario.
59. HAZLETT, Wayne J., 3768 South 89th Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, U. S. A.
60. CRABB, Frederick R., R. R. #1, Simcoe, Ontario.
61. BRACE, Bruce R., 100 Merna Avenue, Hamilton, Ontario.
62. GRAHAM, Louise, 23 Hollywood Avenue, Willowdale, Ontario.
63. BARDWELL, H. F., 670 Cherry Drive, Sarnia, Ontario.
64. EVERINGHAM, John E., 1029 Laurier Crescent, Sarnia, Ontario.
65. SIMPSON, Rosalys, 43 Bond Street, Oakville, Ontario.
66. SIMPSON, Thomas J., 43 Bond Street, Oakville, Ontario.
67. JARVIS, Major Cale B., 120 Jameson Avenue, Apartment 714, Toronto 3, Ontario.
68. CURTIS, John K., 27 Granlea Road, Willowdale, Ontario.
69. MULCAHY, John P., 56 East Washinton Street, Hornell, New York, U. S. A.
70. ESLER, J. Graham, 56 Glass Avenue, London, Ontario.
71. KING, Elizabeth I., Apartment 6, 50 Ridout Street South, London, Ontario.
72. MOORE, James K., Box 118, Bright's Grove, Ontario.
73. SHELL, Alvin, 59 Simson Street, Tonawanda, New York, U. S. A.
74. MATHER, Winifred, 207 Tichester Towers, 21 Tichester Road, Toronto 10, Ontario.
75. NONDORF, Thomas Jr., 113 Oak Street, Paw Paw, Michigan, U. S. A.
76. LANGS, Larry S., 100 Leeming Street, Hamilton, Ontario.
77. LAVELL, William, 2245 Queen Street East, Toronto, Ontario.
78. JONES, E. W., 48 Rutherford Avenue, Aylmer, Ontario.
79. LIPP, Julius M., 130-43 220th Street, Springfield Gardens 13, New York, U. S. A.
80. KEKEWICH, Clare, Box 403, Orangewille, Ontario.
81. FAVRO, Peter S., 160 Symons Street, Toronto 14, Ontario.
82. SHEPHERD, John, 167 Codsell Avenue, Downsview, Ontario.
- C6. OAKVILLE COIN CLUB, c/o Mrs. Claudia Pelkey, 35 Brant Street, South, Oakville, Ont.
- C7. SARNIA NUMISMATIC SOCIETY, c/o Mr. D. W. Park, 308 Savoy Street, Sarnia, Ontario.
- C8. NORFOLK COIN CLUB, c/o Miss Elsie Fick, Box 309, Simcoe, Ontario.
- C9. TORONTO COIN CLUB, c/o Miss Kathleen M. Richards, Apt. 205, 44 Saranac Blvd. Toronto 19, Ontario.
- C10. NICKEL BELT COIN CLUB, c/o Mr. J. R. R. Armitage, Box 593, Sudbury, Ontario.
- C11. NORTH YORK COIN CLUB, c/o Mrs. May Bunnett, 785 Willowdale Avenue, Willowdale, Ont.
- C12. WINDSOR COIN CLUB, c/o Mr. Alan May, 568 Elm Avenue, Windsor, Ontario.

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3. KNIGHT, Ed., Box 186, Adelaide Street Post Office, Toronto 1, Ontario.

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Speakers' Circuit

The committee is pleased to announce that there have been a number of fascinating additions to the Circuit and the committee proposes to have amended copies of the Speakers' Circuit prepared in time for the Founding Convention in March.

There is still time for additional speakers to join the Circuit and the committee would be most pleased to receive the names of speakers from eastern and northern Ontario.

Founding Convention - Delegates

All clubs in Ontario are requested to select one delegate to attend the Founding Convention in March. A general business meeting will be held on Saturday, March 24, where delegates will participate in the actual founding of the Ontario Numismatic Association. Here is an opportunity for all clubs in Ontario to assist in the formation of an organization which will offer leadership and assistance to all clubs. Your club's support, and the guidance of the delegates can only work for the betterment of the organization and the pursuit of numismatics in Ontario.

If necessary, there will be a further business meeting on Sunday, March 25.

Delegates are also invited to attend an Executive Luncheon on Sunday, March 25, at the Walper Hotel, where they can meet the new executive of the O. N. A. The luncheon will be free to the delegates and the executive. Clubs are urgently requested to advise the Convention Chairman the name of their delegate in order that sufficient reservations will be made for the delegates attending the luncheon. The Convention Chairman is Mr. Phil Mueller, 239 Lancaster Street West, Kitchener, Ontario.

Individual members of the O. N. A. are most welcome to attend all business meetings of the O. N. A. at the Founding Convention.

Convention Auction

The committee is pleased to announce that Mr. A. Rosen of the Toronto Coin Centre was the successful bidder to handle the auction. One thousand lots will be included in the auction which will be a must for every coin collector. The auction will feature items to satisfy all collectors, including much gold, large lots of foreign coins and crowns, and American coins. Some of the Canadian rarities will include 1921 - 50 cent and 5 cent, 1872, 1875, 1884, 1889 dime, other 5 cent rarities, rolls of key date cents, 1925 nickels, etc., Canadian gold, including several 1914 Canada \$5.00 pieces. The auction will be split into two floor auctions of 250 lots each and the remaining for mail auction only. Prices will be available.

Convention Medal

The committee wishes to announce the striking of a remarkably attractive medal commemorating the Founding Convention of the Ontario Numismatic Association. The medal will be struck in gold, gold filled, silver and bronze.

One side of the medal features a design commemorating the conclave with an

Ontario motif. The design portrays the Cross of St. George emblazoned on a shield which is surmounted by a crown. The trillium, the provincial flower of Ontario, adorns the lower part of the shield. The shield divides the year of the convention and the outer edge refers to the association name and the event.

The other side of the medals features the club crest of the Waterloo Coin Society which is no doubt unique in club crests. The Waterloo Coin Society is host to the convention.

This medal will only be struck for this one historical occasion, and will make a very handsome addition to any one's collection. Prices of the medals are as follows:

Gold, 10 K.	\$40.00 each
Gold Filled, 10 K.	15.00 "
Silver	5.00 "
Bronze	3.50 "

The medals will also be obtainable in attractive presentation cases with prices as follows:

Presentation Case #1	25.00 "
With one each of Gold filled 10 K., silver and bronze.	
Presentation Case #2	50.00 "
With one each of Gold 10 K., silver and bronze.	

Prospective buyers are urged to place orders early in order to ensure supply. Medals will be available in time for the Founding Convention in March. Prices include shipping costs. Place orders with the Treasurer, Mr. Bruce Raszmann, 10 Allen Street East, Waterloo, Ontario. Please include bank exchange if payment is made by cheque.

New Club - The Norfolk Coin Club

In January, the O. N. A. received a call for assistance from a group of numismatists who were contemplating the formation of a new club in Simcoe.

On January 7, Bill English, together with committee members Frank Uttley, Phil Mueller and Bruce Raszmann, travelled to Simcoe armed with plenty of material and ideas, and during their presence, a new club was formed. The new club took the name of 'The Norfolk Coin Club', and elected George Smith as its first president. Vice-President is Fred Crabb, with Elsie Fick as secretary. The treasurer is Bob Comer, and Don Fayne is the editor of their proposed publication. There are also five Directors.

The O. N. A. wishes the club success, and trust that it will grow in numbers from what has been described as a strong nucleus.

This is the first opportunity that the O. N. A. has had to offer practical assistance in the formation of a new club and the committee is most anxious to assist wherever it can in this way.

The O. N. A. is pleased to announce that the Norfolk Coin Club has applied for membership in the Association and its mailing address will be found under 'New Members'.

Ontario Numismatic Award of Merit

The committee in co-operation with the Waterloo Coin Society is pleased to announce the Ontario Numismatic Award of Merit. This award is to be given for the greatest contribution made by any Ontario numismatist towards the advancement of Canadian numismatics. A suitable award will be presented to the successful nominee at the Founding Convention. For the award at this convention, a broad interpretation is placed on the type of contribution, and may include research, publications, or any other activity meriting recognition.

Clubs and interested individuals are encouraged to nominate candidates for this award, and are requested to forward the names of nominees, together with details of contributions to numismatics in writing, on or before February 28, 1962, to Mr. Rod R. Rekofski, Chairman, 163 Lancaster Street East, Kitchener, Ontario. Submissions to the committee, presently constituted of eminent numismatists, will remain confidential until the award has been announced.

Here is an opportunity to give recognition for outstanding achievements in the field of numismatics. The Committee would be pleased if Ontario clubs would give the award the widest publicity in their newsletters.

Convention Bourse

There are only five bourse spaces available at the time this publication goes to press. Applications for bourse space accompanied by a fee of twelve dollars will be accepted by the treasurer, Mr. Bruce Raszmann, until all available space has been allocated. Preference will be given to applications in order of receipt.

Dealer's Beef

The committee, prior to the setting up of the bourse at the Founding Convention, had sought the views of a number of well-known dealers with respect to the rights and privileges of dealers at banquets and conventions. The dealers were invited to offer their views on any phase of bourse activities, such as space, fees, hours of sale, etc. The committee proposed to study the views of the dealers and where practical, incorporate their suggestions in the bourse of the Founding Convention.

The committee regrets to advise that it has not had one reply to its requests.

Slides of British Military Medals, etc.

Mr. John K. Curtis of the North York Coin Club has advised that the North York Coin Club has on loan from the A. N. A., slides on 'British Military Medals' and 'Medals of the Society of Medalists'. Because of the difficulty of getting these slides back and forth through Canadian and American customs, the A. N. A. has asked the club to make these slides available to Canadian Clubs while they are in Canada. There will be, of course, a nominal charge to help defray shipping expenses.

Clubs are encouraged to make use of these slides and for reservations are asked to contact Mr. John K. Curtis, 27 Granlea Road, Willowdale, Ontario.

The O. N. A. thanks Mr. Curtis for bringing these slides to the attention of Ontario clubs.

Club Medal Competition

The committee has received a number of medals from Ontario clubs to be entered in

the competition, and Mr. Frank Uttley, Chairman of the Displays, will be forwarding further details of the competition to all clubs in the immediate future. Other information with respect to the competition will be found in the January issue of the Ontario Numismatist.

O. N. A. Crest Competition

The committee will be pleased to place on display at the Founding Convention any suggested design for the O. N. A. crest. Designs will be retained by the Committee and will be entered into competition when ordered by the Executive following the convention.

The committee has received one design, from Robert A. Johnson of Mountain Grove, Missouri, U. S. A.

From the Oakville Coin Club

The Oakville Coin Club is a keen supporter of the O. N. A., and Mrs. Claudia Pelkey, the club secretary has offered some worthwhile suggestions to the committee as discussed by the club.

The Oakville Club feels that the O. N. A. should consider a change in name in order to avoid confusion with organizations with similar names and has suggested the organization be known as the Upper Canada Numismatic Association. Mrs. Pelkey further states in a recent letter "The name is of historical interest and brings to mind some of our first tokens. Because we receive coverage in papers like the 'Coin World', the club would be instantly recognized."

Mrs. Pelkey offers some further interesting suggestions with respect to the name of our publication. Here again the Oakville Club feels there may be some confusion with "The Numismatist" of the A. N. A. Mrs. Pelkey continues, "Surely there are some original thinkers in Ontario. Somehow, we must find a name that would instantly distinguish our publication. These are some of the suggestions given to me: The Mint Reports; The Canadiana; Numismatic Era; and Finders-Keepers. The word 'numismatic', or any of its derivations, could be added or omitted. The thing is, to make it original and distinctive."

The Committee thanks Mrs. Pelkey and the Oakville Coin Club for the suggestions as to the formation and operation of the O. N. A., and wishes there were more clubs actively interested, like the Oakville Coin Club.

From Major Sheldon S. Carroll, Director, C. N. A.

"I can appreciate the problems that you are facing as we had to meet similar problems during the formative period of the Canadian Numismatic Association. I have been very impressed with the orderly and business-like manner in which you and your committee have been going about your task.

I extend every good wish for the success of the new Association, and my only regret is that I cannot be present at your founding convention."

Rod R. Rekofski,
Chairman.

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163 Lancaster Street East,
Kitchener, Ontario.

Secretary

Mrs. Ruth Mueller,
239 Lancaster Street West,
Kitchener, Ontario.

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Editor's Note

The Committee is privileged to announce that His Honour Lt.-Col. John Keiller Mackay, D. S. O., V. D., Q. C., D. C. L., LL. D., Lieutenant-Governor of the Province of Ontario, has accorded the Founding Convention and the Ontario Numismatic Association, the patronage of the Lieutenant-Governor of the Province of Ontario.

Members of the O. N. A. are no doubt aware of the high honour that His Honour has bestowed on our Association and it should be the resolve of every member to make the O. N. A. an intellectual and cultural organization worthy of the patronage of the Queen's representative.

This issue of the Ontario Numismatist is quite probably the last under the authority of the committee charged with the formation of the Ontario Numismatic Association.

The committee has endeavoured to present through these pages, information about the founding convention of the O. N. A., and some details of the activities planned for the O. N. A. when formed. The committee is highly honoured by the faith shown in it by numismatists throughout Ontario, and has endeavoured to the best of its ability to create an organization which will be a credit to the province and its numismatists.

The committee has worked long hours as a team, and has been greatly encouraged by the many letters of appreciation and useful suggestions, and only regrets through pressure of work that it has not been able to answer all correspondence.

The committee looks forward with high confidence to a very successful convention, and also looks forward to meeting its many friends at Kitchener, on March 24 and 25.

New Members

The committee is pleased to publish a further list of applications for membership which were received during the month of February, 1962.

83. GEORGE, Michael, 93 Lancaster Street West, Kitchener, Ontario.

84. MACKENZIE, Hugh, 216 Lourdes Street, Waterloo, Ontario.

85. PLATE, Jack, 318 Guelph Street South, Preston, Ontario.

86. LAUBER, Harold E., 134 Louisa Street, Kitchener, Ontario.

87. FRASER, Harold, 49 William Street, Elmira, Ontario.

88. SLOOTSKY, Aaron, 20300 Gilchrist Avenue, Detroit 35, Michigan, U. S. A.

89. ROSE, Frank, 1144 Lakeshore Road, Toronto 14, Ontario.

90. CLAYTON, Donald, Georgetown, Ontario.

91. JARVIS, Cecil, R. R. #3, Newmarket, Ontario.
92. WINTON, Bill, 28 Denrock Drive, Willowdale, Ontario.
93. ROSEN, Al, 125 Church Street, Toronto 1, Ontario.
94. FARROW, Harvey, 37 Douglas Crescent, Toronto 5, Ontario.
- Cl3. ST. CATHARINES COIN CLUB, c/o Mrs. L. M. Ritchie, 35 St. Patrick Street, St. Catharines, Ontario.
- Cl4. METROPOLITAN NUMISMATIC CLUB, c/o Box 841, Adelaide Street Postal Station, Toronto, Ontario.

Corrections

45. ROBINSON, S. G. B., 1260 Bay Street, Room 340, Toronto 5, Ontario.
52. DICKEY, Franklin F., 180 Ashland Avenue, Buffalo 22, New York, U. S. A.
57. HARTOON, Ross, 212 South Brack Street, Sarnia, Ontario.
59. HAZLETT, Wayne J., 3768 South 89th Street, Milwaukee 20, Wisconsin, U. S. A.
69. MULCAHY, John P., 56 East Washington Street, Hornell, New York, U. S. A.
80. KEKEWICH, Clare, Box 403, Orangeville, Ontario.
- Cl. WATERLOO COIN SOCIETY, c/o Mr. Bruce Raszmann, 10 Allen Street East, Waterloo, Ontario.
- C5. LONDON NUMISMATIC SOCIETY, c/o Mr. Lloyd T. Smith, 123 Arundell Street, London, Ontario.

These applications are subject to the approval of the O. N. A. Executive when formed. The numbering is tentative and is also subject to the approval of the O. N. A. Executive.

The committee proposes to recommend to the O. N. A. executive that the first one hundred members in the association be known as Charter Members.

Applications for membership in the Association may be forwarded to the Treasurer, Mr. Bruce Raszmann, 10 Allen Street East, Waterloo, Ontario. Individual membership fees are one dollar, and club membership is ten dollars. Please include bank exchange if payment is made by cheque.

Speakers' Circuit

Mr. R. R. Rekofski has accepted an invitation to speak at the first annual banquet of the Huronia Numismatics Association, at Barrie, on April 14, 1962. Mr. Rekofski will speak on the development of coinage, and will also have a few words to say about the O. N. A.

Founding Convention Highlights

Registration for the convention begins at 9:00 a. m., on Saturday, March 24, with opening ceremonies at 11:30 a. m. in the presence of the Mayors of Kitchener and Waterloo.

One of the highlights of the convention will be the Court of Honour. Frank Uttley, in charge of this phase of activities, has advised that at the present time there are thirty-six, non-competitive displays in the Court of Honour, which includes a display of

books and numismatic literature from Spink's of London, England, club projects by the Hamilton and Oakville clubs, a superb display of Canadian tokens, patterns and proofs by Jack Griffin and many displays by industries and financial houses.

Information of numismatic interest will be gained by attending the lectures by David Ash and Lloyd Smith.

The business of electing officers of the O. N. A. and generally forming the Association will be handled during an open meeting on Saturday afternoon. The delegates will have an opportunity to meet the new Executive and assist in the formation of O. N. A. policy during the Executive Luncheon on Sunday.

The guest speaker for the dinner on Saturday evening will be Mr. R. C. Willey, F. R. N. S. Mr. Willey will speak on "Canadian Tokens", the subject of his recent research.

The Ontario Numismatic Award of Merit will be awarded at the dinner on Saturday, and presented if the recipient is present.

Choice and rare material will be on the auction block during the two-day auction.

As a special feature, ladies' activities will include a free bus tour of Kitchener and vicinity, with tea at the Doon School of Fine Arts. Further activities for the ladies are planned for Saturday evening, during the auction.

Not all the activities of the Convention have been mentioned, but you will see that a very full and interesting programme has been planned. The Committee hopes that you will find it convenient to visit Kitchener for the Convention, and that you will find your visit numismatically rewarding and enjoyable.

Ontario Numismatic Award of Merit

This award will be presented to an Ontario resident, who has made the greatest contribution towards the advancement of numismatics in Canada, and will be awarded for the first time at the Founding Convention.

This award is a solid gold medal personally inscribed, and is sponsored by Molson's Brewery Limited, and the Committee is most pleased that Molson's has recognized the necessity of awarding worthwhile contributions to numismatics.

This is the first award of its kind in Canada, to the best knowledge of the Committee, and the recipient will be entitled to be styled as 'Medallist of the Ontario Numismatic Association for 1962'.

Mrs. Claudia Pelkey is Chairman of the Awards Committee, and is assisted by Mr. David Ash, and Mr. Walter Griggs.

Convention Medal

The Convention medals have now been struck, and they are truly attractive. Details of design and prices are set out in the February issue of the Ontario Numismatist.

Some difficulty has arisen with respect to the supply of presentation cases, and it is quite possible that they will not be available. However, the medals may be purchased in plastic holders. Prices of sets in plastic holders will be outlined in news bulletins covering the Convention, which will be forwarded to members in the near future, and further details will appear in Coin World, where it is expected the medal will be featured together with prices.

New Club - Huron County Numismatic Club

Mr. John C. Dietrich has been elected President of the Huron County Numismatic Club which meets in Clinton, Ontario. The club was formed in November, 1961, and has approximately thirty members.

The O. N. A. requests all clubs in Ontario to place this new club on their mailing lists, and forward club bulletins and other items of numismatic interest to the President, Mr. John C. Dietrich, Clinton, Ontario.

Nominations - O. N. A. Executive

The Committee has received to date the following nominations for executive positions in the O. N. A.:

President	Mr. Frank O. Hicks, Windsor, Ontario.
	Mr. Rod R. Rekofski, Kitchener, Ontario.
First Vice-President	Mr. Lloyd T. Smith, London, Ontario.
	Mr. Ed. Knight, Toronto, Ontario.
Second Vice-President	Mrs. Claudia Pelkey, Oakville, Ontario.
	Mr. Robert Smith, Preston, Ontario.
Secretary	Mrs. Ruth Mueller, Kitchener, Ontario.
Treasurer	Mr. Bruce Raszmann, Waterloo, Ontario.
Director - Western Ontario	Mr. Walter Holmes, London, Ontario.
Director - Central Ontario	Mr. Sam Baggs, Hamilton, Ontario.
	Mr. Claudia Pelkey, Oakville, Ontario.
Editor	Mr. R. C. Willey, Espanola, Ontario.
Speakers' Circuit	Mr. William English, Waterloo, Ontario.
<u>Other Recommendations:</u>	
Display Promotion	Mr. Frank Uttley, Kitchener, Ontario.

Display Cases - Convention

The Committee urgently requests all clubs and numismatists to make available as many display cases as possible, for the Founding Convention. There has been a heavy demand for cases, and it would be most disappointing to an exhibitor, if material could not be placed on display through lack of cases.

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The following O.N.A. Officers were elected in the General Business Meeting of the Founding Convention of the Ontario Numismatic Association held in the Walper Hotel, Kitchener, Ontario, on Saturday, March 24th, 1962.

Business Meeting Chairman: Rod R. Rekofski, President,
Waterloo Coin Society.

First Honourary Member Elected:

His Honour, Lt.-Col., J. Keiller Mackay, D.S.O., V.D., Q.C., D.C.L., LL.D., Lieutenant-Governor of the Province of Ontario.

Executive Officers Elected:

President - Rod R. Rekofski, Kitchener.

First Vice-president Lloyd T. Smith, London.

Second Vice-president Ed. Knight, Toronto.

Treasurer - Bruce Raszmann, Waterloo.

Secretary - Mrs. Ruth Mueller, Kitchener.

Regional Directors

Western Ontario Walter Griggs, Brantford.

Central Ontario Rudy Sauro, Hamilton.

Eastern Ontario Peter DeGraaf, Ottawa.

Nipissing & Northern
Georgian Bay Robert C. Willey, Espanola.

Lake Head Mr. Willey has kindly consented
to serve this region until an
appointment is made.

Next Executive Meeting: Sunday, May 13th, 1962. Time: 3.00 P.M.

Hindoo Koosh Hall
121 Hughson Street, North,
Hamilton, Ontario.

(Approximate location: 3 blocks east from Hamilton Gray Coach Terminal)

EDITOR'S NOTE

Many years ago, an old Greek philosopher spoke the following words - '...history is not discovered, it is created...' Today, in the year 1962 A.D. these words may be applied to the Founding Convention of 'The Ontario Numismatic Association.'

It is obvious, many historic events are created in numerous forms, and yet, so many people pass them off as just another episode in life. Naturally, whenever anyone recalls any particular incident in their life they usually are known as memories.

At this time let us recall one historic memory in particular, the Founding Convention of 'The Ontario Numismatic Association.' The date; the 24th and 25th of March 1962. The place; the City of Kitchener, in the Province of Ontario. It was here numismatic history was created when over 750 people from Canada and the United States visited this Convention.

However, this great achievement was the success of many hours of hard work given unselfishly by scores of individuals, who were interested only in the success of this Convention. We may never know all the headaches endured by those people, or the many hours of sleep given up so that the smallest of details would not be forgotten. How could we ever thank them? There are no words in the English language for us or anyone else in our expression of gratitude.

Nevertheless, there are two names that should be mentioned, the President of the Waterloo Coin Society, and O.N.A. Convention Chairman, Rod R. Rekofski, the new President of 'The Ontario Numismatic Association' for all the work on the preparation of the O.N.A. sessions. His hard work and ideas made this Association really come true. Most important, our praise for Phil Mueller, Vice-president of the Waterloo Coin Society and General Chairman of the Convention, who spent so many hours supervising our great show.

To all those who helped in creating numismatic history and placing 'The Ontario Numismatic Association' on a solid foundation, our special THANK YOU.

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N.B.

- * Please advise your O.N.A. Secretary of your change of address.
- * Back numbers of 'The Ontario Numismatist' may be obtained on request while supplies last.
- * Ontario Coin Club Secretaries please mailed your monthly 'Newsletter' to the O.N.A. Editor.

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PRESIDENT'S LETTER

Now that the Founding Convention is over we can reflect with considerable satisfaction on our accomplishments.

We have an Executive duly elected with Regional Directors from all parts of Ontario and they are a very enthusiastic and dedicated group of officers. We have a charter membership of 196 regular members and 14 corporate or club memberships. These clubs represent many hundreds of Ontario numismatists.

We have elected His Honour Lt.-Col. J. Keiller Mackay, D.S.O., V.D., Q.C., D.C.L., LL.D., Lieutenant-Governor of the Province of Ontario, as our first Honourary Member. His Honour is a patron of our organization.

The Executive is pleased to announce the appointment of Mr. David Ash of Oakville as Editor of 'The Ontario Numismatist,' our official publication. The position of editor is extremely important to the Association and the O.N.A. is privileged to have secured the services of Mr. Ash. The Executive proposes to continue to publish 'The Ontario Numismatist' in its present form on a bi-monthly basis.

The Executive also wishes to announce the appointment of Mrs. Claudia Felkey of Oakville as our Librarian. Mrs. Felkey is a keen supporter of the O.N.A. and has in our library the various books and publications which were placed on display in the Court of Honour. These publications were presented to the Association by Messrs. Spink & Son, Limited and B.A. Seaby, Limited, of London, England.

Mr. William Clarke of London has kindly accepted the position of Historian and the Executive is confident that with Mr. Clarke's literary skill the events and activities of the O.N.A. will be expertly recorded for posterity.

The Executive still has to appoint some one to look after the Speakers' Circuit and it is anticipated that this will be done at the next Executive meeting.

In view of the rather limited time at the disposal of the Convention, it can be stated that a lot was accomplished and the O.N.A. can be very grateful to the Waterloo Coin Society for the many hours of work that were spent in preparing the Founding Convention. This contributed immeasurably in getting the O.N.A. off to a good start.

And now a personal note, as President of the O.N.A., I wish to express my gratitude to the members on electing me as your first president. This is, indeed a high honour and it is my sincere desire to guide our Association in the best interests of numismatics so that the Ontario Numismatic Association will become one of the continents most respected and recognized numismatic organizations.

Rod R. Rekofski
President.

CONVENTION NEWSOpening Ceremonies

His Worship Mayor Joe Meinzinger of Kitchener, and Alderman Anna Hughs, representing His Worship Mayor James Bauer of Waterloo, officially opened the O.N.A. Convention at 11.30 A.M. Saturday, March 24th.

Our civic dignitaries in their address of welcome certainly highlighted the hospitality extended by the twin cities of Kitchener and Waterloo; and on conclusion of their address Mayor Meinzinger and Alderman Hughs (on behalf of Mayor Bauer) were presented with inscribed bronze medals commemorating this historic event. Our civic dignitaries were later escorted throughout the convention halls by President Rod R. Rekofski of Waterloo Coin Society and Phil Mueller, Vice-president.

Court of Honour

Under the guidance of Frank Uttley of Kitchener, this section of the Convention drew praise from everyone that viewed the forty-three exhibits. The word 'fabulous' will never do complete justice to this wonderful exhibition, as it was in fact, a place of historic interest in the form of education to any individual numismatist or club delegate.

The displays included superb coin collections (not in competition), medallions, Ontario club projects, Ontario club anniversary medals with their full data on actual creation and manufacture. Other items included numismatic publications of Messrs. Spink & Son and B.A. Seaby Limited, of London, England, medals from The International Nickel Company Ltd., and general displays of numismatic value from national banks, industries, and the Royal Canadian Mint, Ottawa, and the Public Archives of Canada, Ottawa.

In fact, it may be said, the Court of Honour hall was filled to capacity from the floor to ceiling, and thereby made one of the most magnificent exhibitions ever to be assembled in any one area.

Unfortunately, we cannot at this time submit a complete list of all these excellent displays, however, on behalf of the O.N.A. our esteem THANKS to you all, and again, to the dedicated work of Mr. Uttley our special THANK YOU.

Discussion Groups

Discussion groups were lead by David Ash of Oakville and Lloyd T. Smith of London, Ontario.

On the Saturday afternoon, David Ash lead a controversial talk; 'What are Numismatics?' Mr. Ash's topic was presented in three parts. The first, and foremost, readings of definitions on the word 'numismatic' taken from international dictionaries, secondly, with the aid of an Opaque-Scope, a machine in which actual numismatic items were relected on a screen, and in conclusion, a discussion period.

On the Sunday, Lloyd T. Smith introduced his topic for discussion, entitled: 'Numismatics Verses Coin Collecting.' Mr. Smith expertly outlined many known forms of numismatic collecting. He later presented the cross-roads to numismatics to the advanced collector and introduced ways and methods for interesting a junior collector. On idea introduced

Discussion Groups cont'd

was to educate club juniors' with the introduction of numismatic publications.

Both discussion groups were well attended and it is certain those in attendance gained information of a very useful nature.

On conclusion of their talks, David Ash and Lloyd T. Smith were presented with bronze Convention medals. These medals were inscribed 'Guest Speaker.'

Banquet - Saturday Evening

The highlight, or rather the highlights of the Convention came at 6.30 Saturday evening when 230 guests were seated and represented 30 numismatic clubs from Ontario, Quebec, of the Dominion of Canada; and New York, Pennsylvania, Michigan, Wisconsin, Ohio, and California, from the United States.

The Guest Speaker, Mr. Robert C. Willey, F.R.N.S. of Espanola,

'... a student of early Canadian coinage, spoke on the origin of early Canadian tokens and how private citizens would produce their own money to satisfy their thirsts. Our speaker indicated, amid laughter, that even Molson's struck their own coins and tokens. While other tokens boasted such luxuries as rum and American whiskey. Coins and tokens were also used as media for propaganda around the War of 1812, and many of these tokens circulated around the colonies demanding responsible government...'

O.N.A. Award of Merit

The Gold Medal, Sponsored by Molson's Brewery of Canada Limited, was the first award ever to be presented in Canada in recognition of contributions made towards Canadian numismatics.

The 'Award of Merit' Chairwoman, Mrs. Claudia Pelkey of Oakville introduced Mr. Clare Martin, Representative of Molson's Limited and instructed him to break the seal and read the personally inscribed inscription on the 'Ontario Numismatic Award of Merit' Gold Medal.

The recipient, and 'Medallist of the Ontario Numismatic Association for 1962'

Robert C. Willey, F.R.N.S. Espanola, Ontario.

On behalf of the Ontario Numismatic Association our congratulations Mr. Robert C. Willey as the recipient of this high award for your research in early Canadian coins and tokens.

Competitive Display Winners

Over 40 Exhibitors displayed under 57 frames, and were entered under 6 categories.

Competitive Display Winners cont'd

The Judges were: Head Judge: Mr. Harold Fraser, Elmira, Ontario.
 Judges: Mrs. Claudia Pelkey, Oakville, Ontario.
 Mr. Lloyd T. Smith, London, Ontario.
 Mr. Walter W. Griggs, Brantford, Ontario.

The first place winners were:

'Best of Show' Mr. Bruce Brace, Hamilton, Ontario.
 {Displayed in Category #4 -Classical)
 Category #1 Junior Displays - Master Rickey Shantz, Kitchener, Ontario.
 #2 Canadian - Mr. Carl Kosh, Paris, Ontario.
 #3 American - Mr. Lloyd Carney, Toronto, Ontario.
 #4 Classical - Mr. Bruce Brace, Hamilton, Ontario.
 #5 Paper Money - Mr. Robert Smith, Preston, Ontario.
 #6 Foreign - Mr. Ed Schroeder, Ontario, Ontario.
 #7 Miscellaneous - Mr. Lloyd T. Smith, London, Ontario.

The 'Best in Show' winner received a silver medal. All other winners received a bronze medal.

Ontario Numismatic Association Crest Design Competition

Four O.N.A. crest designs were submitted in this competition.
 Entries were submitted by: Waterloo Coin Society, Waterloo, Ontario.
 Mrs. Claudia Pelkey, Oakville, Ontario.
 Mr. Franklin Smith, St. Pauls, Ontario.
 Mr. Robert A. Johnson, Mountain Grove,
 Missouri, U.S.A.

The winning design judged by a vote among the Delegates from all the Ontario Coin Clubs attending the O.N.A. Sunday Luncheon, March 25th, was awarded to the Waterloo Coin Club entry.

Winning Crest Design Description

This crest design is described in heraldic terms.

Fess Point - Shield.

Shield description: On the Dexter, Middle, Sinister, and Honour Point the Cross of Saint George. Cross heraldic coloured red (vertical lines). Fess Point, Nombril Point, and Middle Base, the Tillium Flower, (Province of Ontario flower). Shield surmounted by the Edward crown.

Wreath: Three-quarter wreath in field, dominating the Dexter, Middle, and Sinister Base. Inscription reads: ONTARIO NUMISMATIC ASSOC.

Date: The date appears in the open field in the Fess Dexter and Fess Sinister split by shield.

The surrounding legend collar reads: FOUNDING CONVENTION ONTARIO NUMISMATIC ASSOCIATION.

N.B. Having been chosen as the winning design among the submitted entries does not imply that the said design shall become the O.N.A. Insignia necessarily. While, subject to alterations or revisioning, it may may become the Official Insignia (and indications point in its favour) other suggestions are still invited from members of the Association.

Convention Medals

These Convention medals may be still obtained. The O.N.A. Crest appears on the obverse, and the Waterloo Coin Society Insignia on the reverse.

Prices:	Gold 10 K.	\$40.00
	Gold Filled 10 K.	\$15.00
	Silver	\$05.00
	Bronze	\$03.50

Set 'A' Includes one each:
Gold Filled 10 K. Silver,
Bronze. \$25.00

Set 'B' Includes one each:
Gold 10 K. Silver, Bronze. \$50.00

Bank Exchange if paid by Cheque.

Please direct all inquiries to: Mr. Bruce Raszmann, O.N.A. Treasurer,
10 Allen Street, East, Waterloo, Ontario.

Ontario Coin Societies Medal Design Competition.

This contest was instigated to encourage medalic art among the Coin Societies in Ontario.

Winning Design: The obverse design of the Waterloo Coin Society Medal the same design being that Society's insignia on their 2nd Annual Banquet 1961.

Other Medals Entered:

Hamilton Coin Club - Canadian Numismatic Association
1957 Convention.
Hamilton Coin Club - Canadian Numismatic Association
1961 Convention.
North York Coin Club, 2nd Annual Banquet 1962.
Oakville Coin Club 1st Annual Banquet 1961.
Toronto Coin Club 25th Anniversary 1961
Waterloo Coin Society - Ontario Numismatic Association
Founding Convention, 1962.

Judges: Mr. George Smith, Simcoe, Ontario.
Mr. Frank O Hicks, Windsor, Ontario.

Feature Draw Prize

15 Proof-like Canadian silver dollars plus a display case made this attractive draw. Winner: Mr. Syd Glover, of Aylmer, Ontario.

Registration at the Convention

The O.N.A. Executive are pleased to announce over 750 guests past through registration during our two day Convention. This is indeed encouraging, and on behalf of the Executive our special THANK YOU to the ladies on the desk.

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New Members

The following applications for membership in the O.N.A. have been received. These applications are subject to the approval of the O.N.A. Executive, and if there are no written objections filed prior to May 13th 1962, these applicants will become members on this said date and notice to this effect will be published in 'The Ontario Numismatist' for June, 1962. The numbering is tentative and is also subject to the approval of the O.N.A. Executive.

- 95 Mr. Howard G. Murray, 313 Graham Street, Woodstock, Ontario.
- 96 Mr. Robt. A. Holloway, 54 Carrying Place Road, Trenton, Ontario.
- 97 Mrs. Joanne Lavell, 2245 Queen Street, East, Toronto 13, Ontario.
- 98 Mr. E.J. Boutin, 69 Ste-Anne Street, Ste Anne De Bellevue, Quebec.
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Auction

500 Lots, conducted in two sessions by 'Toronto Coin Centre,' made one of the highlights of the O.N.A. Convention. Many new highs were realized in this Auction. The most notable was a 1921 - 50 cent VG - \$3,075. Prices realized may be obtained from 'Toronto Coin Centre', 125 Church Street, Toronto 1, Ontario, for 25 cents per copy.

Ladies Activities

Ladies who accompanied their men folk to this Convention discovered many fine social activities awaiting them. A few of the planned highlights were; a coach tour of the 'Doone Pioneer Village' on the Saturday. 'Bingo' sessions during the evening, and social groups.

Summary

The Ontario Numismatic Association is now a reality. Let us therefore unite and go forward in strength to far greater achievements in this science of numismatology.

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NUMISMATIC HISTORY

is in the making!

ONTARIO NUMISMATIC ASSOCIATION

Founding Convention

Walper Hotel

Kitchener, Ontario - March 24 - 25, 1962

This Founding Convention will truly make history. You are all invited to attend the founding of a new era of an association dedicated to the betterment of our hobby. The committees have worked hard and feel that this will be the greatest Canadian numismatic event of the century. You are welcome to participate in the following:

Displays - Special Junior awards will be given as well as the usual adult display awards. Non-competative exhibits will be shown as well.

Ontario Coin Club Medals - proper recognition will be given for the best club medal.

Ontario Numismatic Association Crest Design - These will be held for future use by the Association Executive.

Discussion Groups - Guest speakers and eminent Canadian collectors will chair Discussion periods.

Election of Officers - Nominations submitted by clubs and members will be voted on. District representatives will also be elected.

1,000 Lot Auction - All lots open to mail bids. The first 500 will be split into two 250 lot floor auctions, Saturday evening and Sunday afternoon. All Canadian rarities including 1921 - 50¢, 1921 - 5¢, Canadian Gold, Foreign, U. S. A., Proof Sets etc. Auction Lists can be obtained from Toronto Coin Centre, 125 Church Street, Toronto. Prices realized only 25 cents each - Auctioneer, Mr. A. Rosen.

Ontario Numismatic Award of Merit - A solid Gold medal will be awarded to an Ontario numismatist who has, in the opinion of the judges, contributed most to the advancement of Canadian Numismatics.

Dinner - A delicious repast will be served by the Walper Hotel on Saturday evening, at 6:30 p. m. Banquet tickets for \$3.50 will include dinner, plus admission to all the activities. Prizes galore, and again your ticket is the draw number.

Medals - A medal specially struck for this occasion will be available. They will be available singly, or in sets of two or three in presentation cases. The medals will be struck in 10 Karat Solid Gold; 10 Karat Gold Plate; Sterling Silver; Bronze.

Ladies Activities - The Ladies Committee have arranged a number of interesting events for the ladies. A planned bus tour will include visits to historic places in Waterloo, and Kitchener. A trip through Doon Pioneer Village is one of the highlights. Many other interesting events are scheduled, so why don't you all come and have a good time!

We Want To See You At - The Walper Hotel - Kitchener, Ontario
March 24 - 10 a. m. to 11 p. m.
March 25 - 10 a. m. to 6 p. m.

Banquet Tickets only \$3.50

General Admission 50 cents

Mr. P. Mueller, 239 Lancaster Street West, Kitchener
Convention Chairman

DON'T MISS ONTARIO'S BIGGEST NUMISMATIC EVENT OF THE YEAR!!

The ONTARIO NUMISMATIC ASSOCIATION

Founding Convention

And

3rd Annual Banquet of the

WATERLOO COIN SOCIETY

35 Chestnut St.,
Kitchener, Ont.,
Feb., 1962.

TO EVERYBODY WHO LIKES TO BE
A PART OF IMPORTANT THINGS:

"COIN WORLD" has already generously announced preliminary plans for the O.N.A.-W.C.S. Convention, 24 & 25 March, 1962; and included mention of several features of the occasion at the Walper Hotel, Kitchener, Ont.

This letter is aimed particularly at informing you of the various kinds of displays which will thrill all of us. The exhibition will be unique in that it will be comprised of not only general competitive displays but also of a COURT OF HONOUR, and an ONTARIO CLUBS' MEDALS COMPETITION, and an O.N.A. CREST SUGGESTIONS DISPLAY; and many other interesting and exciting things to see.

This is an all-out-Ontario-effort: and we are determined to make it a memorable occasion that you and your fellow-collectors will be proud to have taken part in.

Display-wise, we predict one of the broadest ranges of numismatic shows that has ever delighted our hungry eyes -- and we are whole-heartedly asking you personally to be one of our exhibitors.

Now, wait a minute -- don't shy away! It doesn't matter what you collect -- if your items are worth a million dollars or if they're worth next to nothing like my own. What does matter is that we know that ----- YOU DO HAVE SOMETHING (numismatically speaking) that the rest of us, and many beginners, would be truly happy to see.

One other thing; if you want to exhibit a hundred items, or a dozen items, it will make our little hearts very happy, but don't let us down entirely if you can help it. P l e a s e ?

One other thing; we will have locked show cases for all exhibits, but if you have any to bring along, we'd appreciate that very much too.

One other thing?? The enclosed materials show that emphasis in judging competitive displays will be placed on information accompanying displays, so, and we'd love to see you win an award, or two!

ONE OTHER THING! --- Honestly, Thank You.

Yours sincerely,


Frank Uttley,
(Display Chairman)

DISPLAYS: Classification Of Categories

1. JUNIOR: JUNIOR EXHIBITS will include ALL displays entered by persons under 18 years of age. These displays will be a contest by themselves apart from all other Categories except #8.

ADULT COMPETITION

2. CANADIAN: Includes all provincial and Canadian coins, medals and tokens, etc., but no paper items, and includes Newfld.
3. U.S.A.: Includes all U.S.A. coins, tokens, medals, etc., but no paper items.
4. CLASSICAL: All numismatic items pertaining to ancient Greece and Rome.
5. PAPER: Includes all paper money, documents, and other forms of paper exchange, etc., from any and all countries including Canada, Newfld., and U.S.A., and excludes displays showing metals. Displays may depict various countries.
6. FOREIGN: Includes all coins, tokens, medals, etc., other than paper items, from any one country not including Canada, Newfld., and U.S.A. No one display may represent an assortment of countries.
7. MISCELLANEOUS: Includes all other numismatic and novelty items not applicable in any of the above Categories. This includes any one display showing metal items from more than one country, and/or any one display showing both metals and paper items together.
8. BEST OF SHOW: All seven Categories described above will constitute one Category contesting for the Highest Point Score award in the entire exhibition.

DECISION OF THE JUDGES will be final, and they shall be empowered as a single body to categorize any questionable display as they see fit.

SUITABLE PRIZES AND RIBBONS WILL BE AWARDED TO THE DISPLAY COMPETITION WINNERS.

EXHIBITORS

All Exhibitors will be given an "EXHIBITOR" ribbon to wear.

Everyone is invited to enter displays in the Competitions in one or more Categories as they prefer.

Displays for Competition will be received any time after 9:00 A.M. Saturday, Jan. 24, but not later than 2:45 P.M. to be eligible for awards.

Displays received after that time will be exhibited in a separate area prepared for noncompetitive displays.

SECURITY

It is assumed that all displays will be adequately insured by their owners. However, the Convention Committee will provide measures of security as are within their abilities; this among other things, includes a Security Room and Armed Vigilance.

EXHIBITION

This two-day exhibition will be open to the general public as well as to members of any numismatic clubs who do not register for the Banquet. A general admission fee will be charged.

DISPLAYS: Point System For Judging.

It is essential that exhibits be judged by some method which can be applied fairly to all entries regardless of any numismatic value or face value of the contents or "props" used in making the display.

In an attempt to reach this objective, and at the same time retain simplicity, the understated system of allocating points to various characteristics of each display will be used.

POINTS

(not more than:)

CHARACTERISTIC
of Display

DEFINITION
of Characteristics

30	INFORMATION	Information shall apply to all apparant research encountered in an effort to make this display; the knowledge thereby learned being incorporated into it to the benefit of on-lookers.
25	ORIGINALITY	This will apply to the design of the display and to new means of exhibiting numismatic items.
20	ARRANGEMENT and EYE-APPEAL	Arrangement refers to a design or means of display which is not original, but which by better colour scheme, neater appearance, or in some other way superceeds other similar displays.
15	CONDITION and RARITY	These terms are the standard means of numismatic gradings as used in Canada and U.S.A. Not more than 7 points will be for Condition, and not more than 8 points will be for Rarity.
10	COMPLETENESS OF EFFECT	This term may be applied to the completeness of any type-set, a series of items, or any purposefull groupings of items, or any other form of complete coverage of any speific nature.

NOTE: Nobody knows everything. If Exhibitors wish the judges to be aware of any characteristics of their displays, particulary of Condition, Rarity, and Completeness Of Effect, this information should be incorporated in the Information which helps to make up the display concerned.

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Next Executive Meeting:

Sunday June 24, 1962. Time: 7.00 P.M.

Place: 239 Lancaster Street West,
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Whenever anyone takes time out to study Canadian statistics they are aware approximately 45% of Canada's population resides in the provinces of Ontario and Quebec. This is comprehended by large industries centrally located in the cities of Toronto, Hamilton, Montreal, and Quebec.

In fact, we have all heard sometime or other 'Ontario and Quebec is the hub of numismatics in Canada,' and yet, we have never realized until recently the true significance of that remark.

A few weeks ago, at the new Queen Elizabeth Hotel in Montreal, 'The Province of Quebec Numismatic Association' held their Founding Convention. And it is apparent, in order to serve the numismatic masses in these areas Provincial Associations eventually were formed.

It is at this time on behalf of all numismatists in Ontario, the Ontario Numismatic Association extends to the Province of Quebec all success in their new venture.

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In the June publication of the 'Ontario Numismatist' we are happy to publish the first two articles submitted by our O.N.A. members. Any member desiring to submit articles for future publication in relation with coins, medals, tokens, paper currency, etc. either national or international nature are ask to send their contributions to the O.N.A. Editor. Articles should be typed with the lines doubled spaced on standard size paper 8½"x 11" with a four page limitation.

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O.N.A. NEWS REPORT

The O.N.A. Executive met at the Hindoo Koosh Hall, Hamilton, on Sunday May 13th.

Due to the immediate requirements for an early booking for O.N.A. 1963 Convention, the application submitted by the St. Catharines Club has been accepted. Furthermore, the O.N.A. EXECUTIVE WILL ACCEPT APPLICATIONS FOR THE 1964 AND 1965 CONVENTIONS. These applications are to be made in writing with full data on accommodation available, locale, etc.

An O.N.A. 'Letterhead Competition' is now open to all members. The Executive feels an Association such as ours warrants a distinctive letterhead, and the members are invited to submit their ideas in this competition. Please direct all entries to: O.N.A. Secretary.

The O.N.A. Executive is pleased to announce the appointment of Mr. Frank Uttley of Waterloo as the man in charge of the Speakers Circuit. Mr. Uttley will keep records of all Speakers' and the clubs they visit together with the numbers of guests attending such meetings.

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The O.N.A. Executive met with the St. Catharines Convention Delegation on Sunday June 3rd at St. Catharines, the purpose of this meeting being to establish facilities required for the 1963 O.N.A. Convention.

Mr. Robert Prince of St. Catharines submitted complete data for the 1963 O.N.A. Convention to be held in the locale. This three day Convention will be held possibly in late spring 1963. Final conformation
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The following article does not reflect on any know person. It is written with the hopes of provoking interest on the subject intended. This article appears unabridged. ED.

'NUMISMATICS VERSUS COIN COLLECTING'

by Lloyd T. Smith

(Text of talk for discussion period during the Founding Convention of the Ontario Numismatic Association).

During the discussion conducted by Mr. David Ash on the first day of this Founding Convention, I was somewhat perturbed to learn that he and I had chosen the same topic for discussion, though under slightly different titles. But, what seemed at first an unfortunate coincidence, appears now to be most fortunate indeed. Mr. Ash must have considered various topics for this first Convention as I did myself, and from his consideration decided this topic to be most appropriate. This fortunate coincidence now makes it possible for us to compare the views of two speakers and should create further discussion.

First, my thanks to Mr. Ash for his very worthy contribution yesterday, and now, in order that I too may profit from our discussion, I shall endeavour to picture as briefly as possible, my views on this subject, suggest a few pointers for guidance, and then call for open discussion.

The organization of the 'Canadian Numismatic Association' in the early months of the year 1950, might be said to have marked the re-birth of coin collecting in Canada. Though the hobby had become popular toward the end of the last century, there were only a few collectors scattered across the nation in 1950.

From Vol. 1, #3 of the C.N.A. Bulletin, we note two important points. First, that the membership in the C.N.A. at that time had reached almost 130. The membership is now near the 5,000 mark. The second point, is that the President, Captain Sheldon Carroll (now Major Carroll), had brought for inspection, the first Whitman folders. And so, we became a nation of "hole fillers." By this very practice of attempting to fill every space in a series set, we have forced prices on rare and even semi-scarce coins beyond reason. The membership of most clubs consists mainly of "hole fillers" or series collectors with no hope of ever completing their sets. It is at this point that we stand to lose a discouraged member or, through our own efforts, possible to gain a numismatist.

What must we do? Fortunately, our task becomes increasingly easy with the continuing rise in prices on Canadian rarities; and, as we shall explain, this is one instance in which we can "have our cake and eat it too."

The stated purpose of many clubs has been "to bring together coin collectors for the mutual interest in buying, selling and exchanging duplicates." Since what I have termed "the re-birth of coin collecting in Canada," we have experienced a tremendous growth in our clubs, due mainly to the so-called "hole filler" and speculators. The trend has been not only to collect, but also to hoard rolls of coins, so creating a false market by pushing prices upward. Too much of the time

in our clubs has been spent in buying, selling and trading. To many of our members, the profit angle has been the motivating force in their collecting, and yet, I should feel that to make profit the goal is to degrade the art of our hobby. Though we realize that there must be a commercial side, and that most of our dealers or professional numismatists maintain a fine code of ethics in their service to our collectors, we must also take cognizance of the fact that to prevent Numismatic from becoming a mere trade medium, we must place study and the sharing of our numismatic knowledge first and maintain a secondary place for commercialism within the club.

I would propose that in essence if not in writing, we reconstitute our purpose to read "to bring together numismatists for the mutual enjoyment and study of numismatics." We now have a purpose which includes the collecting of all types of numismatic items, a desire to study the historical, economic and geographic significance that pertains to these items, and an opportunity for more numismatists to make a lasting contribution to the science.

Now, we must get back to the poor discouraged "hole filler" before he becomes so frustrated that he creates a hole in his head that he may not be able to fill. For him, I would first prescribe a little vacation from series collecting, or better, a change in his collecting habits.

I shall cite a little example of what could take place during the transition from "hole filler" to numismatist. Picture a young collector trying to complete a Whitman folder of Canadian small cents. At first, he will be quite pleased as the common pieces fall rapidly into place, and then, if he can maintain his interest throughout the difficult search for the scarcer pieces, he will be absolutely thrilled as he sees that last hole filled. In this state of elation, he will start another cent folder and then possibly a five cent folder. But, as time passes, he may become bored with the sameness of each folder; the monotony of rows of like coins have caused him to tire of the hobby.

Assuming, that he now has two complete folders of one cent pieces and two of the five cents, we will follow him to a dealer where he will try to dispose of them. In spite of his decision to sell the sets, the collector urge is still present and he looks at the many coins in the dealer's show case. Suddenly, he is drawn to one piece, a beautiful gold coin from another land; and he knows that he would rather own that one coin than all his folders. The dealer agrees to a trade plus a few dollars and our friend departs with the gold coin. He is so proud of his purchase, that he decides to carefully mount and display it. While examining the piece, he learns that it is a commemorative issue and after some reading and research, finds that he has information that could appeal to others who might view his coin. He therefore prints the information, mounts the coin in a nice piece of velvet or felt, and places all in a nice black frame.

Our friend is not only becoming a numismatist, he has also learned to present a display with impact! This one coin is a display in itself, drawing the attention of the viewer and judge alike, and presenting considerable information to help others to appreciate the significance of the display.

We see here, a beautiful gold coin depicting an old sailing ship and the dates 1609--1959. Below, we read "MANHATTAN." "In 1609, Henry

Hudson sailed up the Hudson River and was the first white man to land on what is now Manhattan Island. To celebrate this historic event, the State Mint of the Freetown of Hamburg struck this gold piece which has been called "Aureus Magnus" (Latin: the Big Gold). It is worth 10 Ducats; the gold content is 980/1000 fine, the diameter 50mm, the weight 35 grams (1 $\frac{1}{4}$ ounces). The obverse inscription in Latin means: Henry Hudson discovered the island Manhattan 1609. The reverse: The faith of our ancestors will never die. The issue of this beautiful coin is to commemorate the connections between the free western states of Europe and the United States of America."

Though this is but a story, I have purposely chosen a gold coin that could have been purchased for about the same price as the four folders were worth at the time this piece was issued. Of course, the values have changed somewhat since that time and the gold coin could not be exchanged so easily today.

The very fact that we are here as a discussion group today, indicates that we are seriously interested numismatists, and it is our duty as leaders to provide our guidance to ensure the future of our various clubs and numismatics in general. Towards this end, I hope that you may each return to your own club with a desire to maintain the interest of your members through the following proposals: First, we must encourage diversified collecting interests. The frustrated series collector will readily realize that this type of collecting is unimaginative, often resulting in monotony, and he may willingly become a type collector. By doing so, he will be able to sell or exchange the duplicates from his series collection to improve the quality of the items in his type collection. He may show an interest in the type coins of the United States, Great Britain or other lands. Indeed, the number of different collections that can be formed are limited only by the time, ability and finances of the would-be collector. In this age of internationalism, we can better understand world conditions and history through numismatic study and the collecting of numismatic pieces of other lands and times.

Second, I would propose that every member be encouraged to read a paper occasionally at a club meeting. The paper need not be of his own writing, but credit should be given to the original writer if the paper is read from a journal, book or for another member.

Third, encourage all members to display their numismatic items occasionally, and if possible, instruct or assist those members in need of housing or display pointers.

Four, we would like every club to join the "Speakers' Circuit" and invite guest speakers to their respective clubs at intervals during the year.

Five, I would propose that every member should subscribe to and read those numismatic journals that most appeal to him, and to make use of the many numismatic books available through the various libraries.

In making these proposals, I do not question the right of any member or individual collector to continue as a series collector, or to remain a collector of Canadian coins only, as some could undoubtedly receive all the satisfaction desired for a lifetime of collecting in one particular field.

Above all, when you are worried or concerned about which way to direct your collecting interests, just relax, take time out to study a few good numismatic books, and you will learn while you gain new direction in our fascinating hobby. And now, as we think of the little story of how a "hole filler" became a numismatist, and learned to appreciate the beauty and historical significance of his coin, do you not agree that the numismatist can "have his cake and eat it too?"

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The following article appears through courtesy of Robert A. Holloway, O.N.A. Trenton, Ontario.

'A CANADIAN NUMISMATIST'S VIEWS ON COLLECTION
OF UNITED STATES COINS'

by Robt. A. Holloway

How many times have you, as a collector of Canadian coins, been looking through your pocket change and happened to notice an older date of American cent or nickel? The first question that enters your mind is "I wonder if this coin has any value?" The second question is, "I wonder if I can spend it?" In answer to the first question you would be able to find any denomination of coin, including commemorative issues and gold pieces, listed in the 15th Edition of the famous Red Book, "Guide Book to United States Coins." In this volumn are listed approximate retail prices of coins as obtained at auction sales and dealers' retail price lists. It also provides a would-be United States collector with an abundant amount of reference data pertaining to varieties, proof sets, gold coins, commemorative issues, mint marks, quantity minted and an insight (with illustrations) into early Colonial media of exchange. The beginner and the advanced Canadian collector would do well to consider the purchase of this volumn.

Now that we have found a ready reference to refer to in our collection of United States coinage, we must now decide where and how to start. A Canadian collector can readily appreciate the difficulty in obtaining a complete collection of Canadian coins, this difficulty is even more substantial in regard to United States coins. To obtain a complete collection of these coins one would have to include commemorative coins and gold pieces, which in face value would amount to many thousands of dollars. We must, therefore, content ourselves with either the later issues of smaller denominations or a type set of each denomination issued.

In the smaller denominations an excellent starting point would be the Lincoln Head cents. This design of small cent was first issued in 1909 and has not changed its obverse since that year, although the reverse was changed in 1959. These American coins are often given in change in Canada, but both the beginner and the advanced collector must be on the alert for them. As in the Canadian small cent collection, many dates are easy to acquire but a few, such as the 1909-S, 1909-S VDB, 1914-D and 1931-S provide the collector with a definite challenge to find them in circulation.

The interest generated in a set of Lincoln Head cents once it is nearly complete will likely convince the collector to continue on in the United States line. Many other sets, such as Jefferson and Indian Head nickels, Roosevelt and Mercury Head dimes will provide you with

beautiful and historical sets at a reasonable cost and with a fairly easy degree of availability.

Many avenues of American coin other than those mentioned previously could be explored, but as the denomination of the coin increases so does the degree of difficulty in obtaining them. Very few silver dollars, half-dollars and to a lesser degree, quarters, circulate in Canada, especially now with the exchange on American silver. It seems feasible, therefore, to concentrate efforts on the lower denominations and thus provide an unending interest in American numismatics.

With respect to type sets, a beautiful and comprehensive collection should be obtainable at a fairly reasonable cost. This would provide you with a cross-section of United States history in numismatics and in addition a set that would be the envy of fellow coin-collectors.

Considering the degree of ease and the low initial cost it is surprising that only a few of the many collectors in Canada have American collections. When I was seventeen and just beginning to dabble in numismatics, I found as great a pride in my growing collection of Lincoln Head cents as in my Canadian small cents. Now, seven years later, I have an even greater desire to complete my American collection.

To a young collector just starting out in Canadian small cents, why not start, at the same time, a set of American cents. You will find it just as rewarding and interesting. To the advanced collector, here is a branch of numismatics that will provide a new field of endeavour.

Collecting American coins is a rewarding experience for a Canadian. It throws a fascinating sidelight on the customs and history of our giant neighbour in the south.

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AROUND ONTARIO CLUB NEWS

OAKVILLE COIN CLUB O.N.A. Club 6.

2nd Anniversary Banquet: Approximately 100 sat down to the banquet dinner held in the County Club, Oakville, last May 12th., with their Honoured Guest, the Mayor of Oakville, and Mrs. Wm. Anderson.

Ed Schroeder, founder and first president of the O.C.C. received a silver disc 'chain of office as Honourary-president presented by David Ash, current President. Engraved on the disc were the words. "Ed Schroeder--First Honourary President."

The days activities concluded with Ed Knight conducting the final auction of 100 lots.

The OAKVILLE COIN CLUB meets on the third Monday evening of each month at 7.00 P.M. in the Famous Blue Room, at the County Club, 37 Randall Street, Oakville. The business meeting gets under way at 8.00P.M. All guests are welcome. *

SARNIA NUMISMATIC SOCIETY O.N.A. Club 7.

May Meeting: A talk given by Earl Schwem entitled "To-Day's Coin Mar-

ket" was thoroughly enjoyed by everyone present. In his address, Mr. Schwem compared coins of yesterday and today in relation to minting, prices and collector's trends. He also stated that collectors, not dealers or speculators, were setting to-day's high prices on some coins.

The SARNIA NUMISMATIC SOCIETY has announced they will hold their first Coin Show to be held on Saturday, October 20, 1962 at Kenwick Terrace, Sarnia. Further particulars will be announced in the future.

The SARNIA NUMISMATIC SOCIETY meets on the second Monday of each month at 8.00 P.M. E.D.T. at the Moose Hall, Sarnia. All visitors are welcome. *

NORFOLK COIN CLUB O.N.A. Club 8.

May Meeting: The regular meeting of the NORFOLK COIN CLUB was held on Sunday May 27th on 2.30 P.M. at 208 Stanley Street, Simcoe. The highlight of this meeting was a Table Auction comprising of 40 lots. Two items entered in the auction were; a Canadian Half-dollar 1888 in E.F. and a 1891 small date and small leaf Canadian Large cent in E.F.

Any fellow numismatist travelling north during the summer months for a visit at their summer cottage will find a very active Club and congenial company.

The NORFOLK COIN CLUB meets on the fourth Sunday of each month in the Town of Simcoe. Their place of meeting is as previously mentioned. *

TORONTO COIN CLUB O.N.A. Club 9.

26th Anniversary Banquet: The TORONTO COIN CLUB held their 26th Anniversary Banquet at the Royal York Hotel on Saturday, April 28th, and brought together collectors from near and far.

Approximately 100 sat down at this Banquet and enjoyed an informative talk by their Guest Speaker, J. Douglas Ferguson, Honourary-president of the C.N.A. and Past-president of the A.N.A. He delighted his hearers by recalling the numismatics of an earlier day and the vivid personalities then lending colour to events and occasions.

Ed Knight conducted the final auction of which one of the interesting features was the sale of Canadian quarters of 1939 and 1948 in B.U. condition at a premium of some 50% over catalogue values.

The TORONTO COIN CLUB meets on the fourth Saturday afternoon of each month at 2.30 P.M. in the Royal York Hotel, Toronto. All guests are welcome. *

METROPOLITAN NUMISMATIC CLUB O.N.A. Club 14.

May Meeting: The Maple Room of the Union Station, Toronto, was overcrowded on May 3rd when the Club held its regular monthly meeting, with 138 members and guests signing the register. Just in case anyone may think this figure is a typographical error in their April meeting over 112 members and guests were in attendance.

The 'METRO' meets on the first Thursday of each month, and because of their large attendance they are forced to move into the Oak Room, Union
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Chartered Members

The Chartered Members are from Number 1 --Number 195 inclusive. Mrs. Maybelle Fraser, 49 William Street, Elmira, Ontario, who previously held Number 196 as published in the April issue will fill the vacancy Number 81. Number 200, Mr. Louis-Philippe Gosselin, P.O. 85, Baie Comeau, Quebec, as published in the April issue has been accepted as member Number 200 in good standing.

New Members

The following applications for membership in the O.N.A. have been received. These applications are subject to the approval of the O.N.A. Executive, and if there are no written objections filed prior to June 24, 1962, these applicants will become members on this said date and notice to this effect will be published in 'The Ontario Numismatist' for August, 1962. The following numbers are tentative (except No. 200) and is also subject to the approval of the O.N.A. Executive.

- 196 Mr. Richard Taber, 407 E. Church Street, Marshalltown, Iowa, U.S.A.
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- 198 Mr. Ed R. Lewis, 10 Cameron Drive, St. Catharines, Ontario.
- 199 Mr. W.E.Patrick Lambert, 57 Emmett Road, St. Catharines, Ontario.
- 200 Mr. Louis-Philippe Gosselin, P.O. 85, Baie Comeau, Quebec.
- 201 Mr. Bernard Cook, 29 Vine Street, St. Catharines, Ontario.
- 202 Mr. Horace Troup, R.R. #3, St. Catharines, Ontario.
- 203 Mr. Harold Swayze, 39 Highland Gardens, Welland, Ontario.
- 204 Mr. Richard Guest, 80 Clearview Heights, Toronto 15, Ontario.
- 205 Mr. John Kellerman, Box 13, Dashwood, Ontario.
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- 207 Mr. John Albert Miller, 1041 Kent Avenue, Oakville, Ontario.
- 208 Mrs. Grace Watson, R.R. #1, Oakville, Ontario.
- 209 Mr. John Kone, 249 Concord Avenue, Toronto, Ontario.
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New Members cont'd

- 233 Mr. David M. Price, 148 North Mitton Street, Sarnia, Ontario.
 234 Mr. Rudy Brill, Corrunna, Ontario.
 235 Mr. Roland S. Williamson, 840 Vroom, Sarnia, Ontario.
 236 Mr. Charles Fincher, 79 James Street, South, Hamilton, Ontario.

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- 12 Mr. C.F. Martin, 106 Kathleen Street, W., Sudbury, Ontario.
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O.N.A. News Report cont'd

of the locale will be forthcoming end of June, and full particulars will be published in the August addition of the 'Ontario Numismatist.'

The next O.N.A. Executive Meeting will be held at 239 Lancaster Street West, Kitchener, Ontario, on June 24, 1962, at 7.00 P.M.
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O.N.A. News Report cont'd

Station which is more spacious. This Club offers to the beginner a Grading Table between the hour of 7.00 and 8.00 P.M. During the May meeting 40 members availed themselves of the advice of Mr. Max Pinkus, their grading expert. The business meeting gets under way at 8.00 P.M. and concludes with a Table Auction and Floor Auction.
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N.B. Ontario Coin Club Secretaries please mail your monthly Newsletters to the O.N.A. Editor.
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O.N.A. Library: Our special THANK YOU to Cale B. Jarvis of Toronto for his kind donation of two books entitled 'Beginner's Coin Guide.'
 Members may borrow numismatic books by writing direct to the Librarian.
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Speakers' Circuit: Lloyd T. Smith will speak on the subject "Grading the Canadian Decimal Coin" (with display of examples of grading) at the WOODSTOCK COIN CLUB on Thursday, June 21st, at 8.15 P.M. The Club meets at 6 Perry Street, Woodstock, Ontario.

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Next Executive Meeting:

Sunday August 26, 1962. Time: 7.00 P.M.

Place: 130 Cameron Street South,
Hamilton, Ontario.

EDITOR'S NOTE

Today, in Canada and the United States, numismatists not only study their own national coinage, but delve deeply into monetary systems from other parts of the world.

At the present time in order to serve all numismatists in Ontario, the 'Ontario Numismatist' will pave a new road in numismatology. From time to time, international articles written by leading authorities will appear in your publication.

In our August publication of the 'Ontario Numismatist' we are privileged to reprint an article entitled 'Money Museum in Michigan' by arrangement with Lawyers Title News, Lawyers Title Insurance Corporation Richmond, Virginia, U.S.A. and James Keith Associates, Detroit, Michigan U.S.A.

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Any O.N.A. member desiring to submit numismatic articles for publication are asked to send their contributions to the O.N.A. Editor.

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O.N.A. NEWS REPORT

The O.N.A. Executive met at 239 Lancaster Street West, Kitchener, Ontario, on Sunday June 24th.

The O.N.A. Executive is pleased to announce the O.N.A. 1963 Convention will be held at Prudhomm's Motel on the Queen Elizabeth Way at Vineland, Ontario, on April 26, 27, and 28, 1963. St. Catharines Coin Club are to be host.

At the time of the August 'Ontario Numismatist' compilation a great deal of Convention formality is under due consideration, however, a full comprehensive report will be made known on a later date.

AUCTION TENDERS

Tenders will be considered by the undersigned in connection with the Ontario Numismatic Association's 1963 Convention to be held at Prudhomme's Motel, on the Queen Elizabeth Way, at Vineland, Ontario, on April 26, 27, and 28, 1963.

All tenders to be postmarked not later than 12:00 P.M. October 31, 1962.

Dated:
June 30 1962

Signed:
Ontario Numismatic Association
c/o Ruth Mueller (Mrs.) Secretary
239 Lancaster Street West,
Kitchener, Ontario.

The O.N.A. 'Letterhead Competition' is still open to all members. Members are invited to submit their ideas in this competition. Please direct all entries to your O.N.A. Secretary.

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The O.N.A. Executive will entertain applications from Ontario clubs in consideration for the 1964 and 1965 O.N.A. CONVENTIONS. These applications are to be made in writing with full data on accommodation available, locale, etc. Please direct all applications to the O.N.A. Executive: c/o Ruth Mueller (Mrs.) Secretary, 239 Lancaster Street West, Kitchener, Ontario.

O.N.A. SPEAKERS' CIRCUIT

Mr. Frank Uttley, O.N.A. Speakers' Circuit Director has announced the 'Speakers' Circuit' brochure is under revision. This brochure will be made available to all Ontario clubs in the later part of September.

Mr. Lloyd T. Smith of London Ontario, a member of the 'Speakers' Circuit' will speak at the WATERLOO COIN SOCIETY on September 11th, 1962, (Subject: "Coin Collecting, For Fun/Or Profit"). He will also speak at the OAKVILLE COIN CLUB on September 17th, 1962, (Subject: "An Outline of Currency in Canada").

COMING EVENTS

The LONDON NUMISMATIC SOCIETY has announced they will hold their Annual Banquet and Auction on Saturday, October 13th, 1962, in the Westown Plaza, London, Ontario.

Banquet tickets are \$3.00 per person, and all reservations must be received by Mr. Alex Sweeton, 172 Regent Street, London, Ontario, before October 10th, 1962.

Display competition will be open to all coin collectors; but anyone wishing to display must contact Mr. Sam Smith, 92 Elworthy Avenue, London, Ontario. Mr Smith will require information on the type of display, number of cases in the display and whether or not the exhibitor has his own cases. Non-competitive displays will also be welcome.

A Semi -Annual General Meeting of the Ontario Numismatic Association will be held during the afternoon of the Annual Banquet of the London Numismatic Society. All Executive members are requested to be present.

THE BLUE WATER INTERNATIONAL COIN SHOW will be under joint sponsorship of SARNIA NUMISMATIC SOCIETY and PORT HURON (Michigan) COIN CLUB on Saturday, October 20th, 1962, at Kenwick Terrace, Sarnia, Ontario.

Displays at the 'Blue Water' show will be divided into three classes. Members, Non-members, and Court of Honour.

Further information in regards THE BLUE WATER INTERNATIONAL COIN SHOW will be published in the 'Ontario Numismatist' for October. However, anyone interested in obtaining literature on this Banquet at the present time may write direct to: SARNIA NUMISMATIC SOCIETY c/o Don Park - Secretary, 308 Savoy Street, Sarnia, Ontario.

Mrs. Rose Thompson, Secretary of the ST. CATHARINES COIN CLUB has

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MONEY MUSEUM IN MICHIGAN

by James Keith

It has been said, and truly so, that money has been the scourge of mankind through the ages.

Yet money has served its useful purpose as a medium of exchange since brute men emerged from caves long forgotten to barter for the things they wanted to acquire or dispose of.

The Money Museum in the new National of Detroit Building demonstrates 5,000 years of coinage history including such items as a piece of stone money weighing half a ton; and a block of salt money which is considered as precious as gold in lands where there is no salt.

It might be said that this museum of coins and other forms of money was started in 1918. The place was Waco, Texas.

Living with his parents there in that last year of World War I was 13-year-old Oscar H. Dodson. One day a family friend came to the Dodson house, a soldier of fortune fresh from his wanderings in Africa, with tall tales of adventure among the cannibals living along the banks of the Congo.

The friend regaled the family with fantastic stories of fierce tribesmen--how they used various pieces of metal and artifacts for the purchase of wives, even fresh human flesh for the table.

Young Oscar's eyes nearly popped out of their sockets when the visitor pulled out of his greasy wallet some copper coins--Congolese money--at the same time hinting that he didn't come by them without great risk of being tossed into the kettle in the jungle clearing and feasted upon by the cannibals.

"From that day to this," said Rear Admiral Oscar Dodson, USN (Ret.), director of the Money Museum, "my great interest in life, the only real hobby I ever had, has been numismatics."

When the National Bank of Detroit opened its beautiful new downtown building on April 28, 1960, the Money Museum, with Admiral Dodson in charge, was ready. It is on the spacious mezzanine of the bank, and was opened to the public May 2, 1960, after previews by distinguished educators, members of the press and other well-wishers.

More than 76,000 persons have seen the collection. The visitors come from everywhere, said Admiral Dodson. This is what they see:

First, a museum designed to show primitive money forms as objects of fine art and beauty.

Second, the most extensive collection of gold coins and odd and curious media of exchange on public display in the new world.

There are only two major private money museum in the world, other than the one in Detroit. One of these is in the Chase Manhattan Bank in New York. The other is being created by the directors of Tokai Bank, Ltd., in Nagoya, Japan.

Admiral Dodson, incidentally, keeps in touch with the Tokai Bank people

Money Museum ... cont'd

and only recently had a letter from that bank's president inviting the Detroitier to Nagoya.

There are more than 12,000 items in the National Bank's Money Museum.

Visitors see coins from the Seventh Century B.C., from ancient Egypt, through the golden years when Byzantine emperors flourished and fought (over money).

The Western world's first silver coin is in one of the showcases. It was minted as early as the Seventh Century B.C., on the Greek island of Aegina.

There is a coin with the head of Hercules upon it. This was money Alexander the Great used to pay his soldiers as they marched, an innovation in the history of conquest wherein mercenaries were used...they killed for the fun of it, and for money.

The pieces of eight (dollars) are there, too. Pirates liked these coins so much they ranged the high seas and terrorized whole cities to get them, terrorized the Spanish Main and took ships laden with kegs of them. They led bearers ashore to lonely islands, made them bury the casks and kegs of gold, then cut the throats of their own cutthroats ... for dead men tell no tales.

An interesting object is a silver bar, once the money of Laos and known as the "tiger tongue."

There is a rare fifty-dollar gold coin used during the gold rush in California.

From Babylonia, the city of luxury and sorrow, there are clay tablets --money of a vanished people; beautiful coins from the city-states of Greece and goldpieces the Ptolemaic rulers of Egypt were wont to fondle and, when they died, take to their tombs.

In one case there are coins struck by decree of the Roman emperors and used in the building of that mighty empire.

From the caves of medieval Europe there are coins of primitive design and some of great beauty.

There are pressed bricks of tea leaves, dog teeth, beads, shells, feathers, beetle legs and wings, elephant and monkey tails, ivory, bells, drums, money trees --hundreds of items from every corner of the earth and dating back to ages when there was no way to measure time, much less to record history.

Current coins of the United States, bright and new from the United States mint, are displayed. So are forms of money now in use by member states of the United Nations.

The most valuable piece as a collector's item, according to Admiral Dodson, is, perhaps, a \$50 goldpiece, issued by Wass Molitor & Co., San Francisco, in 1855. This is what is known to numismatists as "private money." Gold money was actually scarce in California at the time, and certain firms bought the dust and nuggets from miners and made their own money. This goldpiece is valued at \$8,700 in the collectors' market;

Money Museum ... cont'd

but it isn't for sale.

The priceless collection features thousands of items gathered from faraway places by Mr. and Mrs. Nate S. Shapiro. Mr. Shapiro, a Detroit businessman-philanthropist and director of the bank, and Ruth Shapiro, his wife, have spent 40 years collecting more than 12,000 specimens.

To make exhibits the more interesting only a part of the total collection is on display at any given time. The items are rotated, new acquisitions highlighted and fresh and interesting displays arranged for visitors who come to the museum in all seasons.

Unusual pieces, like the Widow's Mite of the New Testament, however, may be seen during all hours when the bank is open.

Admiral Dodson and other Detroit numismatists are getting ready for a big money event in the Motor City, scheduled for August 15-18.

This will be the first international convention of the Numismatists of the United States and Canada. They will gather at the Sheraton-Cadillac Hotel. It is expected that some 4,000 persons interested in money, not as a medium of exchange but as a symbol of the development of civilization itself, will come to Detroit for the meeting.

In case the reader doesn't know, here's what you can get, all in one piece, U.S. currency, today:

A \$10,000 piece of greenery--very easy on the eyes--with a portrait of Salmon Portland Chase, Abraham Lincoln's Secretary of the Treasury, to identify it.

Not many are floating around, according to Admiral Dodson, but you can walk right up to the teller's cage and get one for a keepsake in a few minutes. They might have to buzz the Federal Reserve Bank across the way to get it over, if you are in a hurry; but that kind of money is available.

If you will settle for less, Uncle Sam can accommodate you, through the National Bank of Detroit, with a \$5,000 bill, crisp and clean like a freshly laundered shirt. The picture of James Madison, fourth President of the United States, is printed on the face of this one.

There used to be some \$100,000 bills in circulation, but the Treasury called all of them in a few years ago and they're hard to find. The National Bank of Detroit, however, isn't giving up. If one can be located in an old tomato can somewhere, Admiral Dodson is going to have it for the museum. Woodrow Wilson's picture was on that piece of currency.

For little spenders, the bank keeps on hand a supply of \$1,000 bills. Once in a while an oddball will come in and ask for one on a proffered check. He gets it.

But don't pull one of these biggies in the super-market.

The man might call the police.

Membership

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New Members

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 76 Mr. Larry S. Langs, 2 Garden Avenue, Hamilton, Ontario.
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 158 Mr. F.O. Hicks, 1356 Church Street, Windsor, Ontario.
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Name and Address Corrections

- 55 Mr. Ralph R. Tickner, 804 Retlaw Drive, Sarnia, Ontario.
 57 Mr. Ross Hartoon, 212 S. Brock Street, Sarnia, Ontario.

O.N.A. LIBRARY

Lloyd T. Smith of London, Ontario, has kindly donated a large supply of plastic book covers. These heavy duty covers will be a great assist on the many fine books now available.

Members may borrow numismatic literature by writing direct to the O.N.A. Librarian.

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Coming Events cont'd

announced the ST. CATHARINES COIN CLUB will hold their Annual Banquet at the Hotel Leonard, St. Catharines, Ontario, on Saturday, September 15th, 1962. The Banquet Dinner will be at 7.00 P.M. with John J. Pittman as Guest Speaker.

Tickets are \$3.00 per person and may be obtained by writing direct to: ST. CATHARINES COIN CLUB c/o Mrs. Rose Thompson, R.R.#1. Fronthill, Ont.

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O.N.A. NEWS REPORT

Mr Rudy Sauro of Hamilton, the O.N.A. Central Director has been appointed Liaison-officer in connection with the forthcoming O.N.A. 1963 Convention. St. Catharines Coin Club is to be the host club.

Mr. Walter Griggs of Brantford, the Western Director has been appointed Chairman of the "Award of Merit" committee. A sub-committee of three will study the qualifications required in order to be a recipient of the "Award of Merit."

A Semi-annual General Meeting of the Ontario Numismatic Association is scheduled for 3 to 4 o'clock during the afternoon of the Annual Banquet of the LONDON NUMISMATIC SOCIETY to be held on Saturday October 13th, 1962, at the Westown Plaza, London, Ontario. Reports will be presented at this meeting by the President, Secretary, Treasurer, and Chairmen of the various committees. Moreover, a report on this Semi-annual General Meeting will be reported in the December publication of the 'Ontario Numismatist.'

Through the generosity of the LONDON NUMISMATIC SOCIETY an O.N.A. Reception Desk will be made available during their Annual Banquet on Saturday October 13th, 1962. Any numismatist who has not signed as an O.N.A. member may make application in the Association on this day at \$1.00 (one dollar) and new members will be required to pay 1963 dues only.

Mr. Edward Knight has kindly donated 1000 O.N.A. membership cards. Our gratitude on this noble gesture is beyond words. However, on behalf of the Association our gracious thanks.

The O.N.A. Executive will entertain applications from Ontario clubs in consideration for the 1964 and 1965 O.N.A. CONVENTIONS. These applications are to be made in writing with full data on accommodation available, locale, etc. Please direct all applications to the O.N.A. Executive: c/o Ruth Mueller (Mrs.) Secretary, 239 Lancaster Street West, Kitchener, Ontario.

SPEAKERS' CIRCUIT

The 'Speakers' Circuit,' sponsored by the Ontario Numismatic Association, is a free service available to all numismatic societies in the Province of Ontario.

It was originated for the purpose of promoting the study of the various and associated phases of numismatics through lectures volunteered by competent speakers.

The 'Speakers' Circuit' brochure, at the beginning of its service, was distributed to over thirty known Ontario coin clubs; with this distribution increasing as new clubs made themselves known. It contains the names of 13 eminent numismatists who have gratuitously offered a totle of 17 topics from which club could choose.

There is no doubt that clubs and their members will greatly benefit from the lectures as the 'Speakers' are authorities in their field.

Potential uses of the 'Speakers' Circuit' are as broad as the sun; and it is the hope of the Ontario Numismatic Association to develop these potentials; that clubs and Speakers will put the service to a good use; and that they will express their opinions and offer suggestions to aid in its developement and efficiency.

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Mr. Frank Uttley, Director of the 'Speakers' Circuit' will endeavour to answer any question submitted by any coin club or society in regards the 'Speakers' Circuit. Furthermore, coin club editors are asked to mail a copy of their monthly 'Newsletter' to: 'Speakers' Circuit' c/o Frank Uttley -Director, 35 Chestnut Street, Kitchener, Ontario.

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AUCTION TENDERS

Tenders will be considered by the undersigned in connection with the Ontario Numismatic Association's 1963 Convention to be held at Prudhomme's Motel, on the Queen Elizabeth Way, at Vineland, Ontario, on April 26, 27, and 28, 1963.

All tenders to be postmarked not later than 12:00 P.M. October 31, 1962.

Dated:
June 30 1962

Signed:
Ontario Numismatic Association
c/o Ruth Mueller (Mrs.) Secretary
239 Lancaster Street West,
Kitchener, Ontario.

AROUND ONTARIO CLUB NEWS

During the summer vacation several coin clubs in Ontario held informal club meetings, while other organizations took a summer recess. There were, however, a large number of Ontario clubs who simply would not yield to the momentary summer at any cost.

Nevertheless, we are all faced with the long cold winter months ahead and, an ideal opportunity for numismatics. Mr. William Jarvis, Editor of WINDSOR COIN CLUB records the perfect answer --- 'these evenings can be

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educational, interesting, lively, and profitable. So don't delay or hesitate when these evenings roll around. Forget the weeds in the garden, the hubb'y night out---come out and lose yourself in the wonderful world of coins. *

The OAKVILLE COIN CLUB has announced they will not hold an annual banquet in the year 1963. However, they will hold an anniversary supper on one of their regular May meeting nights.

Whenever we hear from any coin club who strike club medallions we naturally attest the future valuation of those pieces. It is of notable interest during the June meeting of the OAKVILLE COIN CLUB a pair of bronze and silver 1961 O.C.C. medallions came up for auction. The price realized was \$15.75. The pair originally sold for \$6.50 in their year of issue.

While on the subject of club medals and medallions, the medal struck by the NORTH YORK COIN CLUB has been listed in the 'American Numismatic Society's' quarterly "Numismatic Literature" No. 60, July 1962.

ST. CATHARINES COIN CLUB held their 4th Annual Banquet and Auction at the Hotel Leonard, St. Catharines, last Saturday, September 15th. Twenty displays were a feature of attraction in which Lloyd T. Smith of London, Ontario, gained "The Best in Show" award, with four cases, one display, on "Gold Coins of the World." Furthermore, over ninety club members and guests sat down at the Banquet and, later enjoyed a talk by Guest Speaker John J. Pittman of Rochester, New York.

Mr. Pittman related the progress of the English mill coinage from 1553 in Elizabeth I's reign, through a period of thirty years, and again after 1662 in the reign of Charles II when the mill coinage formed continuity.

The ST. CATHARINES COIN CLUB 4th Annual Banquet concluded with a final auction of 100 lots. Edward Knight was the auctioneer.

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COMING EVENTS

THE BLUE WATER INTERNATIONAL COIN SHOW under the joint sponsorship of SARNIA (ONT.) NUMISMATIC SOCIETY and PORT HURON (MICH.) COIN CLUB will be held on Saturday, 20th October, 1962, at Kenwick Terrace, Christina Street, (Downtown) Sarnia. Furthermore, there will be adequate parking facilities in public lots across the street, and one block west.

The 'Blue Water' show will open 12 noon until 10:00 P.M. General admission will be 25¢ per person, and refreshments will be available on the premises. (This is not a banquet as previously publicize. ED.)

Approximately twenty U.S. and Canadian dealers are expected to be in attendance, and the necessary security will prevail. Six display categories are open to resident club members only, and one class is open for non-members. Display awards will be given in each class, and a "Best in Show" trophy will be awarded by Spiers Limited, Sarnia.

According to reports the BLUE WATER INTERNATIONAL COIN SHOW will be another outstanding numismatic event.

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THE ENGLISH FARTHING (956 A.D.-1956 A.D.)

by David Ash

King Eadgar (959-975 A.D.) who finally conquered the Danelaw was really the first king of all England, and during his time the silver pennies were known to be cut in half; although pennies cut in half are sometimes found among other kings.

In the 10th century the long cross of varying design, often voided, were in frequent use, and this feature was continued for several hundred years as it facilitated the cutting of a coin into halves and quarters for use as halfpennies and farthings if they were needed. Thus, the silver penny broken once along the angle of the cross formed two halfpennies, whereas, broken twice along the remainder formed a quarter penny. Hence the Anglo-Saxon term 'feortha,' or 'feothing,' or fourth part.

The English silver penny continued to be broken in this manner, and this method for obtaining modules were condemned by monarchs and subjects alike. There were many instances when the moneyers deliberately debased the metal contents to satisfy their own financial lust. Furthermore, in the reign of Henry I the general public often refused to accept the silver pennies unless they were cut to see if they were made of good metal all the way through. In order to remedy this practice, Henry ordered his moneyers to cut all new coins that were issued. Needless to say, the moneyers struck base coins, cut them, and silver plated the pieces before they were placed in circulation. Henceforth Henry summoned his moneyers to Winchester on Christmas 1124 and according to historical reports ninety-four moneyers had their right hand severed.

In 1279 Edward I issued the first round farthing. At the time the silver penny was 22 grains and rather than issue the silver farthing at 5.5 grains a small proportion of base metal was added. This heavy farthing was 6.85 grains, however, in 1280 the farthing was reduced to its correct weight and fineness.

The silver farthing continued to be issued with a monarch's head on the obverse until in the Tudor period when the portcullis badge was placed on the obverse, and these farthings are known as the portcullis type.

During the reign of James I numerous shop-keepers issued lead and pewter farthing tokens. Obviously these were illegal and in many cases the trademen themselves had no intention for any redemption on a later date. Though James did not issue any base metal coins from the Royal Mint, he did in fact grant a Royal licence to a Lord Harrington of Exton in the year 1613 with full authority permitting him to strike copper farthings privately. A clause in this licence stipulated that all profits were to be equally divided between the crown and moneyer.

The "Harrington" farthings, as they were called, were so small they were tinned so as to make them look more like silver coins. Needless to say the elements caused havoc with these small tin plated coins and, today, it is practically impossible to locate any of these earlier pieces without finding them pitted with corrosion. These small farthings were soon superseded by larger copper farthings untinned. On the obverse of these pieces is a crown over two sceptres in saltire, and on the reverse; the Irish harp, crowned.

English Farthing ...cont'd

On the death of Lord Harrington the Royal licence was bought by the Duke of Lennex and all farthings struck by him were called "Lennex" farthings. Their designs are the same and the only notable difference is the positioning of the legend. The Harrington obverse legend commences at "11 o'clock," and on the Lennex at "1 o'clock," whereas, on the Lennex oval farthing the obverse legend commences at "7 o'clock."

In the year 1624 the Duke of Lennex died and the Royal licence for striking copper farthings was inherited by his widow, the Duchess of Richmond. It will be remembered Charles I succeeded James I in 1625, and the "Richmond" farthings are easily distinguishable in that the obverse legend is changed from IACO to CARO and commences at "1 o'clock," and on the "Richmond" oval at "7 o'clock."

Ten years later in 1634 the Duchess of Richmond relinquished the Royal licence and it was bought by Lord Maltravers.

On the "Maltravers" farthings the king's name is extended to CAROLVS and the obverse legend commences at "1 o'clock," and on the oval type at "7 o'clock." It is of notable interest since the earlier copper farthings many forgeries did exist and in order to counteract forging Lord Maltravers changed the reverse design. Instead of the crowned Irish harp, a crowned rose was introduced; and these pieces were known as "Rose" farthings. While their general inscription remains the same they were thicker, and smaller, and many of them have a brass plug set through them.

After the commencement of the Civil War, Parliament withdrew the Royal licence in 1644 and stopped the issue of the Maltravers "Rose" farthings

Oliver Cromwell struck many beautiful coins and many of these are said to be only pattern pieces. Cromwell did in fact strike copper farthings and these small pieces carry Cromwell's draped bust on the obverse and Saint George's shield on the reverse. There are of course other known reverse types; but the copper farthings were not placed in general circulation.

In the reign of Charles II copper farthings were again minted between 1672 and 1679. They were made from Swedish soft copper and have a laurated and cuirassed bust on the obverse. On the reverse there is a figure of Britannia seated with a shield bearing the Union Jack on her left and a spear cradled in her left arm. Furthermore, she holds aloft in her right hand a sprig of olive, the symbol of peace. In viewing Britannia it will be noted she is shown with one leg bare to the knee; and thus she was known as "Vulgar Britannia." In those days it was considered immodest for any lady to exhibit this part of her anatomy, and on a later date Britannia appears with both legs clothed.

Between 1684 and 1685 an issue of tin farthings were made. It was during this period that the Cornish tin mines in the West Country was faced with an economic crisis and in order to ease their situation these tin farthings were minted. However, it was realized that these small coins could easily be counterfeited, therefore the blanks were made with a copper plug through the centre. Strange though it may sound they were still extensively counterfeited in lead.

During the short reign of James II the tin farthings with its copper plug were struck between 1685 and 1687, and again in the earlier part

English Farthing ...cont'd

of William and Mary's reign. Though they had a copper plug through them this did not prevent them being extensively forged in lead, and in 1694 the tin farthing was abandoned in favour of English copper.

In 1694 the copper farthing was again re-introduced. This was the first time that English copper obtained from the Welsh copper mines was used as it is harder and more difficult to strike than Swedish copper, so in order to soften-up the metal before striking, the coin-blanks were cast in moulds. After the 'cooling' process had taken place the coin-blanks were broken from their counterparts, and usually the edge often shows signs of shearing.

In the reign of Queen Anne the farthing appears to be a little controversial in that there were no copper coins issued for general circulation, yet a number of pattern pieces were designed. Queen Anne died, however, in the earlier part of 1714, and the copper farthings dated 1714 were not issued for general circulation. For many years these farthings were thought to be rare, nevertheless they are quite scarce, but obtainable. Previously, I mentioned Britannia was shown with one leg bare; on the 1714 farthing she is engraved in the likeness of Anne herself; and Britannia's leg is clothed to the ankle.

Two copper farthing issues were made in George I's reign. In the year 1717, on thick blanks, known as "dumps," and again between 1719 and 1724 on larger blanks.

The farthing was again struck in George II's reign, and were made in two issues. The 'young head' farthings were minted during 1730 and 1737, and again in 1739. The second, or the 'old head' farthings were minted in 1741, 1744, 1746, 1749, 1750, and 1754. No copper farthings were struck after 1754, or if they were they were not given a new date.

During the sixty year reign of George III a considerable gap appears in the regal copper farthings. Owing to the high price of copper farthings were not struck until 1770, and were again issued in 1771, 1773, 1774, and 1775. However, there were three other copper farthing issues made in 1799, 1806, and 1807 struck at the Boulton and Watt's Soho Mint, in Handsworth, Birmingham.

Copper became more readily available in George IV's reign and copper farthings were once again issued between 1821 and 1823, and 1825 and 1830, with a change in design being made in 1826. On the farthing's reverse, Britannia is shown seated facing right wearing a plumed helmet for the first time, and her olive sprig that she had carried since the days of Charles II has been replaced with a trident like the later issues of George III.

William IV also struck copper farthings in 1831, and 1834 to 1837 inclusive. Their reverse designs are similar to those of the previous reign.

In Queen Victoria's reign there are many fine and beautiful farthings. Copper farthings were in fact minted between the years 1838 and 1860, but because of their requirement and high relief they did not last long in circulation. In 1860 a bronze farthing was introduced to replace the copper, and this bronze coin was found more durable.

From 1860 until 1956 the story on the English farthing is well known

English Farthing ...cont'd

among all numismatists. However, as late as World War II this small English coin did form a media of exchange. During the long war years it proved its usefulness in the rationing system.

In later years owing to rising prices the farthing became virtually worthless; and they were demonetized on the 1st of January, 1961.

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Membership

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New Members

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- 245 Mr. Ross Allan Hunt, 68 Samuel Road, Hamilton, Ontario.
- 246 Mr. Robert Graham, Kimberley, Ontario.
- 247 Mr. Peter Soroka, 1063 Shepherd Drive, Burlington, Ontario.
- 248 Mrs. Josephine B. Champagne, 309 Prado Place, Riverside, Ontario.
- 249 Mr. Ray Janisse, 884 Wellington Street, Windsor, Ontario.
- 250 Mr. James S. Askin, 3872 Montcalm Avenue, Windsor, Ontario.
- 251 Mr. W.M. Sponarski, 2885 Everts Avenue, Windsor, Ontario.
- 252 Mr. Ronald Rewakoski, 1494 Benjamin Street, Windsor, Ontario.
- 253 Mr. T. Dave Veighey, 424 Reaume Street, LaSalle, Ontario.
- 254 Mr. Alan May, 568 Elm Avenue, Windsor, Ontario.
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- 261 Mr. Bob Fisher, 179 Ann Street, London, Ontario.
- 262 Mr. Slavko Zarkovich, 433 Waterloo Street, London, Ontario.
- 263 Mr. C.R. Lumley, 88 Curtis Street, St. Thomas, Ontario.
- 264 Mr. William Ernest West, 55 Paddington Avenue, London, Ontario.
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- 266 Mr. Donald Whetstone, 65 Glass Avenue, London, Ontario.
- 267 Mr. Ted Rogers, 3933 Main Avenue, Norwood 12, Ohio, U.S.A.
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U.S.A.
- 269 Mr. Ramon A. Sayer, 98 Wood Row Street, Sharon, P.A. U.S.A.
- 270 Mr. T.L. Clarke, 69 Breton Park Crescent, London, Ontario.
- 271 Mr. Jack Gofton, Plattsville, Ontario.
- 272 Mr. Ralph Fleuelling, R.R.#2, Ingersoll, Ontario.
- 273 Mr. Hubert Purdy, 139 Reynolds Street North, Oakville, Ontario.
- 274 Mr. John Stanley McGill, 3205 Streetsville Road, Erindale, Ont.

New Members ... cont'd

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 276 Mr. Charles M. Manners, 51 Herald Street, Oakville, Ontario.
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- 21 Mr. Walter Holmes, 494 Ridout Street North, London, Ontario.

Coming Events ...cont'd

The OWEN SOUND COIN CLUB extends a cordial invitation to all numismatists to attend their SECOND ANNUAL BANQUET to be held on Saturday, 3rd of November, 1962, at St. Mary's Parish Hall, Owen Sound, Ontario. The doors will open at 1:00 P.M., with bourse and displays during the afternoon. The Banquet will be held 6:00 P.M., followed by a Guest Speaker and floor auction.

Banquet tickets are by reservation only at \$2.50 per person. Further information may be acquired by writing direct to: OWEN SOUND COIN CLUB c/o Wm. H. Reid -Sec.-treasurer, 1221-4th Avenue West, Owen Sound, Ont.

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The GREATER TORONTO COIN & STAMP EXHIBITION will be held on November 22nd, 23rd, and 24th, 1962, at the Club Kinsway 100 the Queensway, Toronto 18, Ontario.

Any numismatist interested in obtaining literature on this Exhibition may write direct to: GREATER TORONTO COIN & STAMP EXHIBITION LTD. 3234 Lakeshore Boulevard, West, Toronto 14, Ontario.

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O.N.A. LIBRARY

O.N.A. members may borrow numismatic literature for a period of two weeks. Books may be renewed for a further two week period, if there are no other requests on hand. Postage both ways to be paid by the borrower. Kindly address all O.N.A. library correspondence to: Claudia Pelkey (Mrs.), O.N.A. Librarian, 35 Brant Street South, Oakville, Ontario.

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DID YOU KNOW... A well-known household appliance manufacturer in London, England, is buying large stocks of English farthings at face value, Why? They profess they are 'blanks' until a neat little hole is placed in the centre of these obsolete coins; then they are assembled as 'washers' in their products.

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EDITORIAL

One of the most interesting things to discover, in the realms of numismatics, would be the approximate divisions of interest--the proportions of the various phases--of all the people who have adopted numismatics as a hobby. Short of a very thorough census, involving a most detailed questionnaire, this could never be ascertained. Even a sampling of a cross-section of numismatics in Canada would not yield an accurate summary. It would be pointless for us to attempt to undertake it, for example, because aggregate numismatists known are only some 4,000, and by now there must be considerably more than a million collectors spread throughout the homes of this country; and moreover, it would be fair to estimate that the majority of collectors do not read any magazine which deals with the subject. In this great majority lie the army of "problematical cases" --including, probably, nine hundred and ninety-nine occasional collectors, to every person who has joined a club, or an association who specializes in this medium.

This subject may at first seem to represent mere idle and pointless speculation, but it is in fact a subject which--if a reasonably accurate answer could be found--could be of the very greatest interest and use to all concerned, and primarily to the numismatist who specializes in one particular phase. One thing which might well result given the almost unobtainable answer, could be a very different approach to the market as a whole.

As I said at the beginning of this column, collecting would probably be a lot easier (to say nothing of being very interesting) if it were known what the annual thousands of numismatists were studying and collecting. But, that being next to impossible to discover, the next best thing--and certainly the very best thing for dealers and collectors alike--would be to encourage all collectors of numismatic material to join a club or an association of their choice. Regardless of race, colour or creed, numismatics on an international scale has an overwhelming fascination when two people have the same common interest.

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Any O.N.A. member desiring to submit numismatic articles for publication are asked to send their contributions to the Editor.

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On behalf of the O.N.A. Executive and all fellow members may I extend to you and your family the Season's Greetings. May your Christmas for 1962 be happy and joyful, and may you all enjoy a most sincere and prosperous New Year.

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O.N.A. SEMI-ANNUAL MEETING

The Semi-annual General Meeting of The Ontario Numismatic Association was held on Saturday October 13th, 1962, at 3:00 P.M. at the Westtown Plaza in London, Ontario.

Mr. Rod R. Rekofski, President, made the opening address of welcome and called the meeting to order. The O.N.A. President introduced Mr. Wm. Clarke, President of the London Numismatic Society. Mr. Clarke expressed a cordial welcome on behalf of the London Numismatic Society to officers and members of The Ontario Numismatic Association.

The minutes of the Association's Founding General Meeting were read by Ruth Mueller, Secretary, and the minutes were adopted as read.

Mr. Bruce Raszmann, Treasurer, reported that the O.N.A.'s Bank Balance as of September 29th, 1962, was \$124.11 and Cash on Hand was \$1.24. The Treasurer's report was adopted as read.

Mr. David Ash, Editor of 'The Ontario Numismatist' gave a brief report on the editing of the Association's official publication. At the present time over one thousand individual publications have been printed in the amount of 9¢ 2m per individual copy. The Editor's report was adopted as read.

Mr. Frank Uttley, Director of The Ontario Numismatic Association's Speakers' Circuit, briefly outlined the history of this service to the Ontario Clubs and followed through with a statistical report on its administration, its growth and its operational costs. Mr. Uttley included an appeal to secretaries of all Clubs to help speed up materialization of all numismatic programmes by completing any necessary correspondence at their earliest possible convenience.

Mrs. Claudia Pelkey, Librarian, reported that Messrs. Cale B. Jarvis and R.C. Willey had donated books to The Ontario Numismatic Association's Library. Mrs. Pelkey also stated she had had requests for books on Canadian Coinage, and English Coinage (around the 18th Century) but could not fill these requests as our Library lacks these books at the present time. The Librarian's report was adopted as read.

Mr. Wm. Clarke, the Association's Historian, reported that copies of 'The Ontario Numismatist', 'Speakers' Circuit,' photographs, and important correspondence are in his possession as documental and historical items.

Mr. Rudy Sauro, the Association's appointed Liaison-Officer between The Ontario Numismatic Association and St. Catharines Coin Club for the 1963 O.N.A. Convention expressed that plans are not complete but are progressing satisfactory. Mr. Cy Dillon, of the St. Catharines Club has been named the Bourse Chairman.

Mr. Walter Griggs, O.N.A. Western Director who was appointed by the O.N.A. Executive to be Chairman of the "Award of Merit" committee stated he was setting up a list of rules and qualifications required in order to be a recipient of the "Award of Merit" which will be sponsored by The Ontario Numismatic Association. Mr. Griggs will present his report to the O.N.A. Executive on a later date for further discussion.

NEW BUSINESS

Mr. Wm. T. Crisp of Sarnia Numismatic Society stated he was having difficulty in obtaining speakers for their club.

Mr. Lloyd T. Smith of London, O.N.A. First Vice-president announced that in the very near future a new service would be instituted in the 'Speakers' Circuit.' This new service will be known as Audio Vision (slides and tape recordings), and this will help to eliminate similar problems that the Sarnia Numismatic Society is now experiencing. (see section: 'Around Ontario Club News' ED).

In order to expand the O.N.A.'s Library motions were made and adopted for the O.N.A. to make applications in the following Associations through the name of the Office of Librarian.

1963 subscription in The Canadian Numismatic Association.

1963 subscription in The American Numismatic Association.

1963 subscription in The International Banknote Society.

Mr. Philip Mueller, Vice-president of the Waterloo Coin Society--who were the host of the O.N.A.'s Founding Convention--presented a cheque in the amount of \$150.00 to the President of The Ontario Numismatic Association. Mr. Rod R. Rekofski on behalf of the O.N.A. expressed his gratitude for the generosity of the Waterloo Coin Society.

Mrs. Ruth Mueller of Kitchener, on behalf of the Waterloo Coin Society presented to The Ontario Numismatic Association a set of gold filled, silver and bronze medals, commemorating The Ontario Numismatic Association's Founding Convention. These medals were received in a plastic case by Mr. Wm. Clarke, O.N.A. Historian.

Under new business, Mr. Frank Uttley of Waterloo illustrated a new invention of plastic stacking coin display cases and outlined the advantages of these over the present wooden display cases. Mr. Uttley expressed a desire that these cases be purchased, and furthermore to be loaned out to O.N.A. member Clubs at times of exhibitions as a new O.N.A. service.

A motion was made and adopted that one hundred plastic coin display cases would be ordered and held by the O.N.A.

Mr. Rod R. Rekofski O.N.A. President moved that the O.N.A. Semi-annual Business Meeting be adjourned, seconded by Mr. Wm. T. Crisp of Sarnia, Ontario.

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

The O.N.A. Secretary has contacted the secretaries of all clubs in Ontario with the request that they furnish a list of all important club activities in 1963 together with the dates.

This list will be published in the Ontario Numismatist which will not

only advertize the events but will assist clubs in selecting suitable dates where no firm date has been set. By this method it is hoped to minimize the confliction of dates for important club activities.

Clubs are requested to plan their activities for 1963 and forward details of their important events to the Secretary of the O.N.A. at the earliest possible opportunity.

NEW CLUBS

One of the important functions of the O.N.A. is to assist in the formation of new numismatic societies on a sound basis.

The O.N.A. is presently setting up a brochure of information which should be helpful in the formation and operation of new clubs. The Executive of the O.N.A. will therefore be pleased to learn from members of the O.N.A. who are living in localities not presently serviced by clubs where it is felt that new organizations could be formed.

The O.N.A. is prepared to offer practical assistance in the formation of new clubs and will do so upon the recommendation of the Executive.

Members are there requested to advise the District Representative or the Secretary of the O.N.A. where it is felt that new clubs could be organized.

O.N.A. DISPLAY CASES

The Ontario Numismatic Association are offering for sale the new plastic stacking coin display cases @ \$7.50 each, sales tax included, F.O.B. Kitchener, Ontario. The floor of these cases will be flat with no design. For further information please contact Mr. Frank Uttley, 35 Chestnut Street, Kitchener, Ontario.

BOURSE - APPLICATIONS FOR CONVENTION

The Bourse Chairman, Mr. Cy Dillon, 52 Glenridge Avenue, St. Catharines for the O.N.A. will now accept applications for bourse space at the First Annual Convention of the Ontario Numismatic Association to be held at Prudhomme's Garden Centre at Vineland, Ontario, on April 26th, 27th, and 28th, 1963.

Bourse space for the three days will be \$40.00 and a deposit of \$20.00 at this time will secure a space. Applications, of course, are subject to the approval of the O.N.A. Executive.

The Executive is confident that the O.N.A. Convention next year will be one of the most important numismatic events of the year and one which dealers will not wish to miss.

COURT OF HONOUR

The O.N.A. Executive would like to suggest that all Ontario Clubs begin to consider making up club activity displays to introduce themselves to the rest of Ontario through the 'Court of Honour' at the St. Catharines Convention. More information regarding this will be mailed to all Ontario Clubs shortly.

The O.N.A. hereby announces Mr. Edward Knight has been awarded the 1963 Auction and will be the Auctioneer for the 1963 O.N.A. Convention.

Mr. Cy Dillion of St. Catherines will accept donations for the Donation Auction to be held at the 1963 O.N.A. Convention.

THE ONTARIO NUMISMATIC ASSOCIATION

'AWARD OF MERIT' RULES

- (A) The Committee shall consist of the Chairman, appointed by the President of the O.N.A., as well as two other members chosen by the Chairman.
- (B) The Award of Merit shall be limited to residents of the Province of Ontario, of either sex.
- (C) The Award shall be made to the person, in the opinion of the Committee as a whole, who has contributed the most to the understanding, research, writings and advancement of Numismatics in general.
- (D) The Award shall not necessarily be awarded each year, unless someone in Ontario has made a significant contribution to the advancement of numismatics.
- (E) This Award should not be made more than once to the same individual unless his or (her) second contribution be considerably different from the first.
- (F) Members of the Board of Directors shall not be disqualified as candidates for this Award.
- (G) The request for submission of eligible names for this Award, shall be published in the last issue each year of the 'Ontario Numismatist.'
- (H) The final date on which names will be accepted for consideration shall be March 1st, following, each year. To the Secretary of the O.N.A.
- (I) The Committee shall then meet, select the winner and submit the name in a sealed envelope to the Secretary of the O.N.A.
- (J) The decision of the Committee shall then be final.
- (K) The Secretary shall transmit the sealed envelope to the supplier of the medals, so that the recipient's Name & Year may be engraved thereon.
- (L) A written summary of the Award shall be provided to the Secretary of the O.N.A. for record purposes and a copy to the person making the presentation.
- (M) The medal, when possible, shall be presented at the annual General Meeting of The Ontario Numismatic Association.

Respectfully Submitted
Walter W. Griggs Chairman

THE MADE-BEAVER TOKENS

by Lloyd T. Smith

In the year 1670, King Charles II of England granted a charter to the Hudson's Bay Company, empowering said company to trade exclusively with the aborigines in and around Hudson Bay. Prince Rupert, head of the Hudson's Bay Company, and his group of adventurers soon established many trading posts where they could supply the Indians with inexpensive items in trade for the valuable beaver pelts and other furs to be shipped to England.

Though the Indian creed was one of strict honesty and good faith, they gradually realized that beaver skins were of great value to the white man and therefore, should be worth a better trade in merchandise at the trading posts. To facilitate trade, such items as porcupine quills, musket balls or small ivory discs were accepted as a bartering medium to represent the value of a beaver pelt.

The Hudson's Bay Company prospered and established new trading posts to the west in the territory named Rupert's Land in honour of Prince Rupert. It was in this area that they met their first great setback as the French forces tried to take over the rich fur country. In 1713, all forts were returned to the Hudson's Bay Company, but further opposition was experienced in 1783 when a new company calling itself the Northwest Fur Company was formed by a group of Scottish settlers in Montreal. Following many years of rivalry and often open barbarity, the two companies wearied of the strife at last merged to form the Hudson's Bay Fur Company.

In 1854, one George Simpson McTavish of Albany Fort, then the officer in charge of the East Maine area of Hudson's Bay, designed four tokens to be struck in brass and used by the Hudson's Bay Company in the fur trade. The largest of these was to have a value of one "made-beaver" or the value of an adult beaver pelt in prime condition; the other three having values of $1/2$, $1/4$ and $1/8$ made-beaver. Unfortunately, the die cutter in London, England mistook the joined letters "MB" for "NB" and the whole issue was struck that way.

The obverse of each value depicts the Crest of the Hudson's Bay Company within an oak wreath of two branches tied below, and the reverses; HB (joined) /EM/1/NB, in four lines. The value 1 is for the one "made-beaver;" and others have $1/2$, $1/4$ and $1/8$ respectively and are proportionately smaller in size. The letters EM stand for East Maine which has been changed to Eastmain.

The made-beaver tokens were used for many years in some areas with the the one made-beaver having a value of about 50 cents as late as 1910. A small punch mark between the N and B on many specimens denotes cancellations. In the 1894 edition of 'Coins and Tokens of Canada,' P.N. Breton assigns a rarity of 3 to each value, but they are now given a rarity value of about 6.

The monopoly of the widely dispersed Hudson's Bay Company ceased in 1859 and the company territory of Rupert's Land was transferred to the Canadian Government in 1869 by governmental order and a payment of about 300,000 sterling. In 1930, the company was split and became a Canadian retailing company and a separate fur trading company operated from London, England.

The price of silver in Great Britain's economy during the past few months is the highest it's ever been, and Briton's are becoming more coin conscious.

Particularly the silver content in a half-crown is now worth approximately three shillings and sixpence, instead of two shillings and sixpence the coin's face value.

The silver content applies only to pre-1920 coins.

The reason for generated interest in early British silver coins first began during the First World War. The price of silver in those days rose and all silver coins at that time were worth 50% over face value. In event to stop hoarding the first debased coins were issued in 1920 with a mixture of 50% silver, 40% copper and 10% nickel but it was found that these coins became badly discoloured. In 1922 a more satisfactory alloy was used and consisted of 50% silver, and 50% copper.

In 1927 a new and different alloy was again introduced and consisted of 50% silver, 40% copper, 5% nickel and 5% zinc.

After the Second World War, Great Britain had to pay back to the United States large amounts of silver borrowed under Lease-Lend during the war years. Because of Britain's financial position at that time it was decided that this could best be done by withdrawing all silver coinage in circulation and replacing it with a base metal coinage.

In 1947, the 'silver coins' were completely debased and consisted of cupro-nickel, an alloy of 75% copper and 25% nickel.

Maundy money has retained its fineness of .925%.

Since February 11, 1920, to be exact, the Bank of England has continued to withdraw all silver coins from circulation, and the fact of the matter is that there are very few pre-1920 coins about.

But if any non-collector finds a half-crown it isn't much good, except as a souvenir. Banks only pay face value. The British National Press has been quickly to point out that if anyone melts it down to cash in on the premium make a person liable under British law to two years in prison and a one hundred pound fine.

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NUMISMATIC GEM

New Collector: Where do you buy your Canadian Mint sets?

Dealer: From the Royal Mint in Ottawa.

New Collector: I'm missing a few key dates in my Newfoundland set.

...If I write to the Ottawa Mint do you think they would let me have a few?

Dealer: Eh?

PENNY BANK OF ONTARIO

by R.W. Irwin

The Penny Bank of Ontario was an important bank. It did not issue bank notes and so few numismatists know it existed. It is also very possible that it was through this bank that many of the membership learned the basic facts of banking. The purpose of the Penny Bank was to encourage thrift amongst the school children which led to thrift in later life. Parents were also encouraged to use the facilities of the Penny Bank.

Around the turn of the century there were many 5¢ saving associations in existence and in Europe this form of bank was very common in the schools. The Penny Bank of Toronto was opened April 3, 1905 in their head office at the corner of York and Richmond Streets, Toronto and took over the business of the Victor 5¢ Savings Association. This bank was incorporated under the Dominion Penny Bank Act (RSC 1906.c.31). They were not banks within the meaning of the Bank Act, but were savings banks within the meaning of the Winding-Up Act, and their powers were very limited. There were no paid directors, and in many instances the bank was operated by the local commercial bank, otherwise, the money was deposited with the Receiver-General of Canada.

The Minister of Education for Ontario decided to give some practical assistance to this worthy endeavour in 1922. The name of the bank was changed to the Penny Bank of Ontario, a grant was given to assist in its operation, and the Public and High School Acts were amended to provide for Boards of Trustees to provide the necessary materials in connection with the establishment and maintenance of a penny bank.

The high point of activity and savings for this bank was in 1939. With the war, children were encouraged to buy war stamps and the penny bank declined until its operation was suspended in February 1943 with regard to deposits. The Penny Bank Act was repealed in April 1948 to wind up an operation which was successful in encouraging thrift for over 40 years in the schools of Ontario.

Table 1. Deposits with the Penny Bank of Ontario.

Date	Children	Schools Served	Deposits
1906		44	50,401.19
1921		255	676,928.41
1932	188,000	430	1,286,782.00
1941	208,000	531	1,229,359.00
1945		0	320,006.00

CANADIAN NUMISMATICS No. 1

The Maple Leaf Emblem

The maple leaf emblem of Canada, as compared with the rose, shamrock and thistle of the British Isles, has but so recently entered into the realm of national emblems that some of the reasons for its adoption may well be given.

The maple tree is found in luxuriance in every province of the Dominion. Varieties of it grows, it is true, in other parts of America, but the trees is in its greatest glory in the northern regions, where throughout Canada, extended along her line of similar latitude, it attains to

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its greatest and most robust development. It flourishes in the Maritime Provinces, and in Quebec. It is the finest forest tree in Ontario. Manitoba maples form the foliage of the North-West, and anyone who has seen the giant maple leaves of British Columbia will say the maple leaf is the natural emblem of Canada.

The maple leaf of the sugar maple, as well as being the national emblem, is also the typical emblem. The maple leaf was held in high esteem by the early settlers of Quebec, and was adopted, in 1836, as the French Canadian emblem for the festival of Saint Jean Baptiste. At the creation of the union of Confederation it was placed in the arms of Quebec and Ontario, and was heraldically recognized as the "emblem of Canada."

Maple leaves form the wreath on the personal flag of the Governor-General of the Dominion and on the flag of the Lieutenant-Governor. Furthermore, the maple leaf was the emblem placed by His Royal Highness the Prince of Wales on the Colours of the "Royal Canadians," the 100th Regiment, raised in Canada in 1865, and it was worn as the regimental badge of their successors, the Royal Leinster Regiment.

The maple leaf was also the distinguishing emblem on the uniforms and helmets of the lusty and loyal sons of the Canadian contingents who served in South Africa in 1900, where the presence of that emblem reminded them of their far-off home and nerved their hearts for deeds of duty and devotion to Canada.

In the study of this famous emblem, one famous of all its stories must be recalled. In the South Africa (Boer) war a wounded Canadian who, lying wounded on the veldt at Paardeberg, touched the maple leaf upon his helmet and said to his companion, "If I die, it may help this to live," spoke that which burns within the heart of every Canadian lad and fires the inborn energy of his race.

Today, throughout the world the maple leaf has won recognition as the national emblem of all Canadians. Whether it is worn on the athletic field or in military contests, the maple leaf on our Canadian coinage depicts our own national heritage.

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Membership

Numbers 245 - 281 inclusive as published in 'The Ontario Numismatist' October issue are accepted as O.N.A. members in good standing.

New Members

The following applications for membership in the O.N.A. have been received. These applications are subject to the approval of the O.N.A. Executive, and if there are no written objections filed prior to January 1, 1963, these applications will become members in good standing, and notice to this effect will be published in 'The Ontario Numismatist' for February, 1963. The following numbers are tentative and is also subject to the approval of the O.N.A. Executive.

- 282 Mr. William D. Nesbitt, 169 Toby Crescent, Hamilton, Ontario.
- 283 Mr. Bill Dickson, 12 Cranfield Road, Scarboro, Ontario.
- 284 Miss. Barbara Malloy, 12 Cranfield Road, Scarboro, Ontario.
- 285 Mr. Sydney W. Beaney, Box 84, Station "K", Toronto 12, Ontario.
- 286 Mr. Donald J. Mattason, Apt. 706, 60 Islington Avenue, North,
Islington, Ontario.
- 287 Mr. Paul Spence, 61 Grand Avenue, London, Ontario.
- 288 Mr. Gene Ruzlo, 69 Arthur Street, Brantford, Ontario.
- 289 Mr. Walter Johnson, 40 George Street, Brantford, Ontario.
- 290 Mr. Thomas Gear, 18 Bishop Street, Brantford, Ontario.
- 291 Mr. Lorne Branton, 19 Barberry Court, London, Ontario.
- 292 Mr. Walter Gee, Apt. 2, 294 Dufferin Avenue, London, Ontario.
- 293 Mr. Clifford Mesher, 429 Waterloo Street, London, Ontario.
- 294 Mr. Wesley Bradnock, Auburn, Ontario.
- 295 Mrs. John H. Stratton, 20 St. Vincent Street South, Stratford, Ont.
- 296 Mr. Gordon Steed, 45 Water Street, Stratford, Ontario.
- 297 Mr. John R. Powers, Kincardine, Ontario.
- 298 Mr. Harold Stobbe, 821 Alpha Street West, Owen Sound, Ontario.
- 299 Mr. Don Nicoll, 786-4th Avenue West, Owen Sound, Ontario.
- 300 Mr. Lloyd David Smith, 123 Arundell Street, London, Ontario.
- 301 Mr. Earl Davis, 123 N. Christina Street, Sarnia, Ontario.
- 302 Mr. Hastings Elliott Jephson, 658-6th Street East, Owen Sound, Ont.
- 303 Mr. Wilfred R. Dewell, 56 Lindsay Avenue, Newmarket, Ontario.
- 304 Mr. Ron Thompson, 195 Wellington Street South, Hamilton, Ontario.
- 305 Mr. Dan Hrinco, 245 Kenilworth Street North, Hamilton, Ontario.

New Clubs

- C. 15 BRANTFORD COIN CLUB
c/o Mr. Harold Curtis, 68 Fourth Avenue, Brantford, Ontario.
- C. 16 INGERSOLL COIN CLUB
c/o Mr. Ralph Fleuelling, R.R. #2, Ingersoll, Ontario.
- C. 17 HURONIA NUMISMATIC ASSOCIATION
c/o Mr. Kenneth B. Prophet, Apt. 6, 54 Owen Street, Barrie, Ont.

Change of Address

- 37 Mr. Bill Grant, 257 Church Street South, Preston, Ontario.
 54 Mr. Alfred A. Roy, 6 Norlan Avenue, London, Ontario.
 96 Mr. Robert A. Holloway, 12816-126th Street, Edmonton, Alta.
 114 Mr. Wm. H. Reid, 987-7th Avenue East, Owen Sound, Ontario.
 162 Mr. William Lycett, 120 Laurentide Drive, Don Mills, Ontario.
 168 Mr. Albert Sentes, 1501 Augustine Drive, Burlington, Ontario.
 169 Mrs. Ethel Sentes, 1501 Augustine Drive, Burlington, Ontario.
 195 Mr. Hamilton A. Craig, Apt. 408, 166 Jameson Avenue, Toronto 3, Ont.
 214 Major Roy Hider, 843-43rd Avenue, LaSalle, Montreal 32, Quebec.

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AROUND ONTARIO CLUB NEWS

At this time The Ontario Numismatic Association would like to thank the LONDON NUMISMATIC SOCIETY for their most generous and kind donations. A money donation, and gavel and block presented at their 11th Annual Banquet on October 13th. On behalf of the Association our grateful thanks.

During the November meeting of the LONDON NUMISMATIC SOCIETY 60 regular members and visitors enjoyed the first Audio-visual, entitled 'The Romance of World Gold;' narrator, Lloyd T. Smith. This new service will eventually become a part of the Audio-visual Department of the O.N.A.'s Speakers' Circuit, and according to Mr. Smith a second in the series is now under compilation.

In the February issue of the 'Ontario Numismatist' a complete 'Around Ontario Club News (1962-Revue) will be published. Any Ontario Club who has not at the present time sent their monthly Club News Bulletin are asked to send a copy to the O.N.A. Editor.

Next Publication: February 1963.

M E D A L O R D E R F O R M

ONTARIO NUMISMATIC ASSOCIATION

First Annual Convention

Prudhommes Hotel - Vineland, Ontario

April 26, 27, 28, 1963

The Ontario Numismatic Association's official insignia, for the first time, will be portrayed on the obverse. On the reverse, the host club, The St. Catharines Coin Club, will also for the first time, have their club design on a medal.

No.	Description	Price	No.	Description	Price	Amount
1.	10K Solid Gold	In Set	Set A	-1,2,3,4 in plastic	\$66.00	
2.	10 K Gold Plate	In set	Set B	-1, 3, 4 in plastic	\$50.00	
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