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FOURTH O. N. A. CONVENTION ADDRESS

by Lloyd T. Smith

Text of speech presented by President Lloyd T. Smith at the 4th Annual Convention of the Ontario Numismatic Association in Windsor, Ontario:

Mr. Chairman, honourable guests, and all good friends who have gathered this evening to dine together and enjoy the fellowship of this occasion, the 4th Annual Convention of the Ontario Numismatic Association, I bid you welcome.

Six years ago, the nucleus for an Ontario numismatic organization was formulated in the minds of a few enthusiastic collectors. Discussions brought forth concepts of an association that would not only bring greater unity amongst the collectors already in fairly close contact in Southern Ontario, but would reach out to the more isolated clubs and collectors in the distant parts of our province.

The Ontario Numismatic Association became a reality in name at the Founding Convention sponsored by the Waterloo Coin Society and held in their fair city. The members in the numismatic field who were elected to office at that time, knew that they not only represented the thousands of collectors in Ontario, but would now have to devote much more of their time and energy in the development of services and assistance that would make the association worthy of the membership of every Ontario collector and even possibly, to record an achievement in the annals of numismatic history.

We are not being presumptuous this evening when we say that the measure of success achieved to date is a great credit to these stalwarts of the association, many of whom have contributed their services ever since the Founding Convention.

We would form an analogy between our association and a watch movement. On the outside, we see a continuing operation which is most often taken for granted, with little thought of the unseen motivating power. Inside, we see Directors and Executive as a gear train, carrying to the outside the balanced product of the Officers. There is a regulator in the form of our President, who must endeavour to maintain accuracy. But above all, an organization must have a mainspring and the key on the outside to keep

that mainspring wound.

The key to success in this association is your membership and the club memberships to supply the funds for the treasury or mainspring, so that the little gears, the larger gears and the big wheels can continue to fulfil their purpose. In this analogy, our Treasurer is a dog. Yes, with all due respect to our present Treasurer, Mr. Bruce Raszmann, it is that little dog on the gears of the mainspring that allows power to go into the workings of the movement and prevents any loss of energy to the outside. Rather than call Bruce a dog, let's go all out for analogy and say that he is our financial watch-dog.

Our lovely ladies are the jewels of the movement and, we have even experienced a few hairspring debates over the years; but that which comes through to the outside is a smooth operating movement supplying many services and assistance to all collectors, just as the watch records the passing of time with seeming effortless.

One of our difficulties is that we are trying to operate a year clock on the input of a watch. Just think, if every collector present today would return to their clubs and get more members to help build a bigger key to help wind a stronger mainspring, we would have a clock that would rival Big Ben for size, with so many services that it would give not only the hours and minutes, but also seconds, days, months and years. For added measure, if some nice benefactor will assist us, we'll even make it chime. Let's all be O. N. A. organizers this year and swell our membership. You are the key.

CLUB NEWS

BRANTFORD COIN CLUB has a most interesting evening in November with the showing of a film by Darwin, "Insects of Brazil." The club is preparing for a change in officers and a Christmas celebration to wind up the year. Once again, the "Money Tree" will be in evidence.

CANADIAN NUMISMATIC VARIETY COLLECTORS ASSOCIATION reports that their First Annual Convention was a huge success. Seventy-eight cases of exhibits were entered into competition. Official judges, Wm. English and Hans Zoell, backed by John Regitko, had their jobs cut out for them; it was no easy task as the spread of points between one display and another was very slight. Following are the winners: Canadian Mint Errors: 1st. - G. H. Moore-Gough, Kingston; 2nd. - E. Burns, Toronto; 3rd. - W. Erb, Kitchener. U. S. A. Mint Errors: 1st. - E. A. Coyne, Boston, Mass.; 2nd. - Mrs. C. Ince, Downsview. Foreign Mint Errors: 2nd. - P. Carl, Rochester, N. Y. (Only one entry in this class.) Canadian Die Varieties: 1st. - E. Burns, Toronto; 2nd. - W. Thompson, Toronto; 3rd. - F. Jewett, Willowdale. U. S. A. Die Varieties - No Entries. Foreign Die Varieties: 1st. - R. Houlton, Toronto. Miscellaneous: 1st. - Miss S. English, Kitchener; 2nd. - Mrs. M. Hilborn, Brantford; 3rd. - V. Doran, Toronto. General CNVCA Only: 1st. - W. Allen, Oakville; 2nd. - V. Doran, Toronto; 3rd. - R. Morriss, Toronto. President's Award, awarded to the person who has contributed the most towards the collecting of errors and varieties. This award after due consideration was found to be deservent of being a dual award and considering this most important factor it was judged that Dr. C. A. Herbin, founder of CNVCA and Hans Zoell, Honorary President, to be

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co-winners; Founder's Trophy was awarded to Ed Burns, Toronto, by Wm. English on behalf of Dr. C. A. Herbin, founder of CNVCA. Awarded for the exhibit that is most interesting and educational with regards to errors and varieties found in the Canadian decimal series. Chairman's Award for Best of Show was awarded to Walter Allen, Oakville.

MILTON COIN CLUB President, Bruce Brace, recounted some of his adventures in England and read the first part of an excellent article on the Soho Mint, at their November meeting.

HURONIA NUMISMATIC ASSOCIATION held their election of officers at their November meeting. Following is the new slate for 1967: President -- Steve Wiggins. Vice-President - Norman Howcroft. Secretary - Walter Schultz. Treasurer - Sylvia Kelly. Directors: Sid Woodward, Mac Porter, Cec. Sharp, Bob Scruton. Editor - Norm Howcroft.

LONDON NUMISMATIC SOCIETY had fifty-nine members and guests present at the November meeting. An O. N. A. Audio-Visual was featured in Part 2 of the series "From Wampum To Decimal", sub-titled "Quebec Tokens", produced by Lloyd T. Smith, London.

PRESTON COIN CLUB celebrated their sixth anniversary, November 28th. All ladies present were given a carnation corsage and everyone wore nameplates. A representative of the Preston Times was present and photographed Bill Wellsman handing over the gavel to the incoming President, Mrs. Gunther. The photographer also snapped Mrs. Gunther presenting a plaque to Mrs. Bennett for coin displays during the year 1966. The new slate of officers for 1967 is: President - Mrs. Gladys Gunther; Vice-president - Joe Plens; Treasurer - Mrs. Kurt and Ted Wagonoski; Secretary - Ed Beckett; Auctioneers - Dave Galway and Vince Nevidon; Editors - Miss Maryann and Kathie Wellsman; Directors - Roy Dear, Howard Jenkins, Mrs. Bennett; Past President - Bill Wellsman.

SARNIA NUMISMATIC SOCIETY has been given the "Go Ahead" from City Council to display a collection of Canadian coins and paper money in the City Hall foyer. This is to be a club project for the Centennial year and a donation to the city. Everyone is invited to donate toward this worthwhile project; and donations are to be forwarded to: Sarnia Numismatic Society, c/o Canada Trust - Huron and Erie, North Christina Street, Sarnia, Ontario.

ST. CATHARINES COIN CLUB is also joining in with the City's Centennial projects. Pat Lambert and Lloyd Dorsey have spent a great deal of time and effort in promoting a Medallion for the City of St. Catharines for the Centennial Year 1967. The November meeting enjoyed a successful Donation Auction, when the spirited bidding enriched the club's treasury by \$27.12.

ST. THOMAS NUMISMATIC ASSOCIATION held their election of officers in November. Following is the new slate for 1967: President - D. Farthing; Vice-president - Phil Nickson; Treasurer - Leslie McGregor; Secretary - Harry James; Directors - Past President, William Pressey; Clarence J. Miedema, Past President; George Connoy, Jim Ross; George Kerhoulas; Mrs. Gale and Ken Tuff. High praise and many thanks were expressed to those who displayed many numismatic materials at the November meeting for the enjoyment of all present.

NEW MEMBERS

Applications published in the December issue of the Ontario Numismatist have now been accepted. The following applications have been received. If no written objections are received, their acceptance will be acknowledged in the February issue of the Ontario

Numismatist:

574. Ed Burns, 413 Pape Ave., Toronto 6, Ont.

575. Frank Lang, P. O. Box 142, Scarborough, Ont.

C57 KAPUSKASING STAMP AND COIN CLUB, c/o Mrs. J. Seredinski, 38 Mundy Ave., Kapuskasing, Ont.

COMING EVENTS

February 18, 19 WINDSOR COIN CLUB Centennial Year Show, Norton Palmer Hotel, Windsor, Ont.

April 1 HURONIA NUMISMATIC ASSOCIATION 6th Annual Banquet and Coin Show, Centennial Inn, Barrie, Ontario. Centennial activities, guest speaker and awards. Chairman: Steve Wiggins.

May 27, 28, and 29 ONTARIO NUMISMATIC ASSOCIATION 5th Annual Convention, Kitchener, Ont. Host: Waterloo Coin Society. General Chairman: John Shaw, P. O. Box 41, Waterloo, Ontario. Bourse Chairman: Philip Mueller, 239 Lancaster Street West, Kitchener, Ontario.

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HAVE YOU PAID YOUR O. N. A. MEMBERSHIP?

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Now is the time to start working on your exhibits for the O. N. A. Convention. An extra attraction has been added this year! Kitchener Coin Club has set up a special trophy to be awarded to the "Best Canadian Display on a Centennial Theme." This is a separate category presentation and will in no way affect regular presentations.

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NOMINATIONS FOR O. N. A. OFFICERS FOR THE 1967-1969 TERM OF OFFICE

We are pleased to announce the appointment of Mr. Ed Stahley as Election Chairman for our 1967 Nominations and Election of officers.

Nominations for the following Officers and Directors will be accepted until the closing date, March 1, 1967:

President, First Vice-president, Second Vice-president, Secretary, Treasurer and Nine Directors, one for each of the following areas:

Area 1 - Includes counties of: Essex, Kent, Elgin, Middlesex and Lambton.

Area 2 - Includes counties of: Norfolk, Haldimand, Welland, Lincoln, Wentworth and Brant.

Area 3 - Includes counties of: Oxford, Waterloo, Perth and Huron.

Area 4 - Includes counties of: Wellington, Halton and Peel.

Area 5 - Includes counties of: Bruce, Grey, Dufferin, Simcoe and District of Muskoka and Parry Sound.

Area 6 - Includes counties of: York and Ontario.

Area 7 - Includes counties of: Durham, Northumberland, Prince Edward, Victoria, Peterborough, Hastings, Lennox, Addington and the District of Haliburton.

Area 8 - Includes counties of: Frontenac, Leeds, Grenville, Dundas, Stormont, Glengarry, Prescott, Russell, Carleton, Lanark and Renfrew.

Area 9 - Includes all Districts and Counties of Northern Ontario and also Manitoulin Island.

To assist members in determining those eligible for nomination, we reprint the following sections from Article VII of our proposed Constitution:

Section 1 - Any Life or Regular member who has been in good standing for two years or longer shall be eligible to hold office in the Association, except that no professional dealer in numismatic material shall be eligible to hold any elected or appointed office.

Section 2 - No member shall be eligible for the office of President until he has served one full two-year term as an elected officer.

Section 3 - No member shall be eligible to hold office on the executive who is a member of the executive of a national or another provincial numismatic organization.

Section 6 - All nominations shall be made in writing, signed by two members in good standing and sent to the Chairman of the Election Committee. Each nomination shall be accompanied by a written acceptance from the nominee or a declaration signed by the nominators stating that the nominee has expressed willingness to serve if elected.

Section 15 -The term of office of an elected president shall be limited to one elected two-year term.

Section 16 -No member shall stand for election for more than one office.

Please use the nomination form on the next page; nominate as many members in all offices as you wish and mail to the Election Chairman.

RECOMMENDATIONS FOR THE AWARD OF MERIT

All O. N. A. members and participating clubs are requested to submit recommendations for the O. N. A. Award of Merit. All submissions are to be in the hands of the O. N. A. Secretary not later than March 1, 1967. Please use extreme caution in your selections and adhere to the rules governing this distinctive and highest of O. N. A. awards.

RULES OF THE AWARD OF MERIT

- (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 Committee will make its recommendations to the executive, and the Award of Merit shall be made to the person, in the opinion of the executive as a whole, who has contributed the most to the understanding, research, writings and advancement of numismatics in general.
- (d) The Award of Merit shall not necessarily be awarded each year, unless someone in Ontario has made a significant contribution to the advancement of numismatics.
- (e) This award shall not be made more than once to the same individual, unless his (or her) second contribution be considerably different from the first.
- (f) The request for submission of eligible names for this award shall be published in the last issue each year of The Ontario Numismatist.

- (g) The final date on which names will be accepted for consideration shall be March 1st. of each year, and must be in the hands of the O. N. A. Secretary by that date.
- (h) To committee shall then meet and make recommendations and summaries to the executive of the O. N. A. The chairman shall submit his secret ballot in a sealed envelope to the secretary of the O. N. A.
- (i) The decision by secret ballot of the executive and chairman shall then be final and remain confidential.
- (j) The secretary shall submit a sealed envelope to the supplier of medals, so that the recipient's name and year of award may be engraved thereon.
- (k) A written summary of the achievement of the recipient shall be provided to the secretary for O. N. A. records and a copy to the person making the presentation.
- (l) The medal, when possible, shall be presented at the annual general meeting of the Ontario Numismatic Association.

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We are pleased to announce that Major Sheldon S. Carroll, previous Award of Merit recipient has accepted the appointment of screening officer for 1967. He will choose two assistants and forward his recommendations to the O. N. A. executive.

CLUB SECRETARIES: PLEASE NOTE!

Retiring Club secretaries are reminded to turn over all O. N. A. brochures and information to the incoming secretaries in order that the incoming executives may be fully aware of the various services which the O. N. A. makes available to member clubs.

1967 MEMBERSHIP DUES

Your 1967 O. N. A. Membership dues are now due and payable to the Association, c/o P. O. Box 33, Waterloo, Ont. Please give this matter your immediate attention for a continuing strong Association.

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The 1967 Canadian one cent piece will have a DOVE--"very common in cities as well as the country as the pigeon, having associations with spiritual values and also with peace".

The 1967 Canadian five cent piece will have a RABBIT--"The rabbit is common, much loved by children perhaps because of its vulnerability. It survives by alertness and speed, and is symbolically connected with ideas of fertility, new life and promise. It is thus a future or united animal."

The 1967 Canadian ten cent piece will have a FISH--"The smallest coin requires a simple and unambiguous image. The artist used the mackerel, one of the most beautiful and streamlined fish, common to both coasts. The fish has ancient religious implications. It is a symbol of continuity."

The 1967 Canadian twenty-five cent piece will have a WILDCAT -- "The wildcat or bobcat seemed appropriate for this coin, which is large enough for the subtle shape of this common though rarely seen animal."

The 1967 Canadian twenty-five cent piece will have a WOLF--"The wolf, unfortunately no longer common, is here symbolic of the vastness and loneliness of Canada, and thus of our tradition, and to a degree, of our present condition. Yet the wolf is not a pathetic creature."

The 1967 Canadian silver dollar will have the CANADA GOOSE--"Appropriate for the dollar since it is one of our most majestic creatures and is also particularly Canadian."

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NOMINATION FORM

Mr. Ed Stahley, Chairman,
Election Committee,
P. O. Box 191,
Kitchener, Ontario.

Dear Mr. Stahley:

We the undersigned members in good standing nominate the following officers and Directors, with the understanding that they are members in good standing and will stand for office and serve the Association if elected:

<u>PRESIDENT</u>	<u>NOMINATED BY</u>	<u>NO.</u>	<u>NOMINATED BY</u>	<u>NO.</u>
<u>FIRST VICE-PRESIDENT</u>				
<u>SECOND VICE-PRESIDENT</u>				
<u>SECRETARY</u>				
<u>TREASURER</u>				
<u>DIRECTORS:</u>				
<u>AREA 1</u>				
<u>AREA 2</u>				
<u>AREA 3</u>				
<u>AREA 4</u>				
<u>AREA 5</u>				
<u>AREA 6</u>				
<u>AREA 7</u>				
<u>AREA 8</u>				
<u>AREA 9</u>				

Please copy this form if there is insufficient space for all names.



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THE CENTENNIAL SONG

CA -- NA -- DA
(One little, two little, three Canadians)
WE LOVE THREE
(Now we are Twenty Million)
CA -- NA -- DA
(Four little, five little, six little Provinces)
PROUD AND FREE
(Now we are ten and the Territories -- Sea to Sea)

North, South, East, West,
There'll be Happy Times
Church Bells will Ring, Ring, Ring

It's the Hundredth Anniversary of
-- Con -- fed -- er -- ation
Ev -- ry Bod -- y Sing, to -- geth -- er

CA -- NA -- DA
(Un petit, deux petit, trois Canadiens)
NOTRE PAY -- EE (pays)
Maintenant nous sommes Vingt Million)
CA -- NA -- DA
(Quatre petites, cinq petites, six petites Provinces)
LONG -- UE VIE
(Et nous sommes dix plus
Territoires, Long -- ue Vie)

Hurray, Vive le Canada!
Three Cheers, Hip, Hip, Hooray!
Le Centenaire!
That's the order of the day

Freres Jacques, Freres Jacques
Merrily we roll along
To -- gether, all the way

Trumpet solo

Hurray, Vive Le Canada!
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Le Centenaire!
That's the order of the day

Freres Jacques, Freres Jacques,
Merrily we roll along
To -- gether, all the way.

N. B. Brackets indicate counter melody

HAPPY BIRTHDAY, CANADA!

EDITORIAL -----

Canada's Centennial Year will be celebrated in many ways by Canadians in almost every walk of life across our vast Dominion. Even those who do not take an active part in the celebrations will be able to participate as spectators at the great EXPO in Montreal, or at the many parades, shows and activities arranged by others.

Numismatics will play an important role in our celebrations, from the special coin and medallion issues by government and other sources to the Centennial coin exhibitions at club meetings, banquets, provincial and national conventions. As coin collectors in our wonderful country, we can do our part to make this phase of the celebrations interesting, exciting and successful.

The question then is, "What can we do that will make 1967 a year to be remembered in the numismatic field?" More than ever before, it is up to every collector to prepare and display coin exhibits, whether or not the displays have a Canadian Centennial theme. Then, it will be necessary for every club, provincial and national numismatic association to plan bigger and better shows where they can invite all Canadians and visitors to Canada to see what the Centennial means to us.

Just to show what can be done in the way of preparing a better display, we note that during 1966, one adult collector was able to transform a display that won the Best of Show award in another show only two months later. Another upset was the winning of a Best of Show award at the London banquet by a junior member. These collectors proved that a good exhibit is a work of love and not necessarily an array of expensive numismatic material. Even if you do not wish to compete for the awards, help make this a special year by exhibiting your collections as often as possible.

Even though I've said it before, I would also remind all collectors to renew their membership in the local club, the O. N. A. and C. N. A. This is of particular importance in 1967 as every organization will be planning special Centennial shows and will need the support of every collector to help make them a success and, your paid up membership will bring the bulletins of these organizations to you each month to keep you informed of the Centennial plans. An inkling of just what is in store for us in 1967 comes from the O. N. A. in the preparations for the biggest convention yet, to be held on May 26, 27, and 28, in the Granite Club in Kitchener. Besides regular categories for display awards there will be special categories for Centennial displays and all previous Best of Show winners.

No one can force you to belong to any numismatic organization, or to take part in the displays or other activities, but when we stop to consider the pleasure and education we

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have gained through membership in our own club and the services of the O. N. A., I'm sure that no force will be required to receive your membership or renewal right now. Be a Centennial supporter in 1967 by joining or renewing your membership in your local club, the O. N. A. and the C. N. A.!

Lloyd T. Smith,
London Numismatic Society.

THIS WILL BE THE LAST

ONCE AGAIN THE MONTH OF FEBRUARY HAS ARRIVED AND IF YOUR 1967 MEMBERSHIP IS NOT PAID, THIS WILL BE THE LAST ISSUE OF THE ONTARIO NUMISMATIST THAT WILL BE MAILED TO YOU.

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SPECIAL DRAW

The O. N. A. has accepted a proposal made by the Waterloo Coin Society Executive that we conduct a draw at the 5th Annual Convention from the sale of tickets. Tickets will sell at 25 cents each or five for \$1.00, and prizes will consist of 100 silver dollars, 1967 one-cent pieces and a special Presentation Set for the person selling the most books of tickets.

O. N. A. 5th CONVENTION AUCTION

The Ontario Numismatic Association has awarded the auction for the Annual 5th Convention to Jack Dietrich. Anyone wishing to put coins in this auction, contact Jack Dietrich, P. O. Box 28, Clinton, Ontario. The auction will be in two sessions, Saturday afternoon and evening.

1966 O. N. A. MEDAL DIE DEFACED
(194 Medals Struck)

A few medals in sterling silver and bronze are still available at \$6.00 and \$3.50 respectively.

As the dies have been defaced, solid gold and gold filled medals are no longer available.

The 1966 medal depicts the original official O. N. A. insignia and the distinctive crest of the city of Windsor on the other side. As this will be the last medal showing the original official O. N. A. insignia, orders for the remaining sterling silver and bronze medals should be sent to the ONTARIO NUMISMATIC ASSOCIATION, P. O. Box 33, Waterloo, Ontario, at once.

The new O. N. A. insignia will appear on the medals which will be on sale at the O. N. A. Convention in Kitchener on May 26, 27, and 28, 1967.

ONTARIO NUMISMATIC ASSOCIATION

COMPETITIVE EXHIBIT CATEGORIES

Members in good standing in any coin club may enter displays in the following categories. All displays will be eligible for all awards as outlined in the O. N. A. Point System, except No. 10:

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1. CANADIAN - All Canadian coins and Provincial regal.
2. TOKENS - All types.
3. CENTENNIAL THEME - (Trophy presented by Kitchener Coin Club)
4. WORLD COINS - Coins not included in any other classification.
5. TOPICAL - Numismatic material with a common theme
6. WORLD CURRENCY - All paper money.
7. JUNIOR - Any numismatic display by a junior collector.
8. MISCELLANEOUS - Medals, Badges, Novelty displays and any display not classified specifically.
9. GRAND AWARD - All winning category displays will be judged for this award as "The Best in the Entire Show."
10. SPECIAL - Grand Award winners anywhere may enter that specific display into competition with the best in the country for a "GRAND" Grand Award.

Note: Display Chairman: Heinz Herzog, 8 David Street, Kitchener, Ontario
Assistant: Frank Uttley, 136 Joseph Street, Kitchener, Ontario.

Reserve your O. N. A. cases or let the Display Chairman know the space you will require with your own cases.

The Display Chairman's decision as to the category will be final. Exhibits will be judged by O. N. A. Point System. The judges' points sheet will be given to the exhibitor. Displays and judges will be numbered so that no names will be used.

O. N. A. cases are available. Inside measurements are $28\frac{1}{4}$ inches long, $16\frac{1}{2}$ inches wide, $1\frac{7}{8}$ inches deep.

Trophy winners will be determined by highest average points in each respective category except where less than three exhibits are entered in any category, (see point system). Ribbons to all winning displays.

AN EXCERPT FROM COIN PRESERVATION HANDBOOK

by Charles Frank

(Submitted by Walter Schultz, Huronia Numismatic Society)

In numismatic circles, the mere mention of cleaning coins usually results in a clamour of mixed emotions. Opinions are numerous, yet none can be substantiated with documented evidence. Research efforts are encouraged rather than discouraged, and any new innovations can receive fair appraisal rather than complete rejection.

Many coin collectors believe cleaning robs aged coins of their antiquity; others think it has a degrading effect; some have been ill-advised and disappointed with the results of cleaning; some have had bad experiences with cleaning. All these beliefs, fears, skepticism and misfortune are the products of knowledge barriers, for in this fantastic Handbook, before attempting to clean your coins to avoid any disaster, and to learn the composition and condition of your coins by examination, and to use the proper chemicals to obtain best results, and the limits in which each coin will clean or mar details of the coin will depend on the types of corrosion in general.

The points to consider with respect to SAFETY in choosing a coin cleaner are: fire hazard, corrosive fumes, container design, danger to children, effect on human skin and toxicity.

The cleaners chosen should be readily available, economical and capable of functioning without need for special types of equipment.

There are five major categories of cleaners, namely, solvents, emulsifiable solvents, emulsion of di-phase cleaners, alkaline cleaners and acid cleaners, including Pickling Agents. Most probably the application of plain hot water will be as rough a pre-cleaner before using the others.

Petroleum solvents are inflammable, and will only remove oil, and grease-like contaminants from coin surfaces.

Chlorinated solvents are non-inflammable, non-explosive will remove oils, greases, waxes, soluble soils and a host of other compounds.

Emulsifiable solvents perform the same functions as the petroleum solvents, highly inflammable but not toxic.

Di-Phase cleaners will remove oil, grease, wax, dried pigments, dusts, salts, perspiration and absorbed fumes, but not oxides, tarnish or corrosion products and is less expensive.

Alkaline cleaners are most common such as, caustic soda, caustic potash, soda ash and various phosphates, for most all general cleaning, 4 to 8 ounces per gallon of water at 150 to 180 degrees Fahrenheit and agitate the solution.

Acid cleaners are a fairly good all-purpose cleaner. Natural coin lustre can be restored with phosphoric acid type of cleaners but has a tendency to etch metal surfaces if exposed to the solution too long, its corrosive to the human skin, is toxic, fire-safety should be exercised. Most dilute acid will pickle coins for good keeping. The cleaning of coins lies in the ability of the cleaners, who should study and understand all the aspects of cleaning and characteristics of the coins to clean.

The fantastic, informative and inspiring Coin Preservation Handbook, written by Charles Frank reveals a comprehensive study, knowledge and experience of the subject, and is worth its weight in gold.

CLUB NEWS

BRANTFORD COIN CLUB approved many suggestions to increase interest for the coming year . . . a perfect attendance contest and a competition for Monthly Displays. Suitable prizes were arranged for each. Also, at the December meeting the election of officers for 1967 was held. Following is the slate: President - William Sutor; Vice-president - Fred Huiser; Past-president - John Barchino; Secretary - George Wagner; Assistant Secretary - Ernie Baker; Treasurer - Henry Meggitt; Directors - Phil Baker and Tom Savory; Advisory - Walter Griggs; Librarian-Historian - Mrs. Mary Hilborn; Editor - Ernie Lightle.

CENTRAL COIN CLUB at their January 9th meeting elected the following officers: President - Larry McNeil; Vice-president - Bob Shillingsorth; Secretary-Treasurer - Vince Doran; Program Director - John Regitko Jr.; Librarian and Membership - Wayne Thompson. Mike Clague, the Central YMCA's Program Secretary, conducted the elections, with 79 members present to do the voting.

HAMILTON COIN CLUB had thirty members and guests out to their December meeting. President Sid Phillips completed his reading of the article on the Soho Mint and the auction which followed proved to be both humorous and lively. The following offices for 1967 were filled: Vice-president - Fred Briggs; Secretary - Miss Evelyn Murray; Treasurer - W. Arthur Honour.

Apology -- Last month we listed the Hamilton Coin Club as Hilton. We are sorry for any inconvenience it may have caused.

HURONIA NUMISMATIC ASSOCIATION had over forty members and guests in attendance at their December meeting. After a lengthy discussion, the club voted to include a banquet with their next Coin Show.

INGERSOLL COIN CLUB had twenty-one members and guests out to their November meeting. Mr. P. H. Dewan gave a very interesting and informative talk on "Canadian Decimal Coins" and passed around specimens of the different types to illustrate his talk. Appointments to office for 1967 are as follows: President - Alan Macnab; Vice-president - Fred H. Smith; Secretary - Les Allsop; Treasurer - Norman Barns; Directors - Percy Elgie and Doug Carr. The December meeting featured two audio-visuals from the Canadian Numismatic Association, "The Story of Coinage" and "Canada's Five Cent Silver." Both are a product of the Vancouver Numismatic Society.

LONDON NUMISMATIC SOCIETY had fifty-six members and guests out to their December meeting. The society is very proud of its members that won distinction at the Huron County Coin Show, November 13 ... Gordon Gray won first prize for his Paper Money display; Paul Masters took first in Junior Display; and Dennis McFadden won first place for Canadian Decimals as well as winning the Best of Show trophy for numismatic displays.

OKVILLE COIN CLUB has established a new executive for 1967: President - Wesley Han; Vice-president - Glen Reid; Treasurer - Dirk Becker; Secretary - Falk Becker; Directors - Mrs. Pat Hart; Ken Hart; Ozzie Ikola and Jack McLean.

OLEN SOUND COIN CLUB have several new members join their club recently and a new esprit de corps is evident in their meetings which are held the 2nd Tuesday of each month. At their December meeting, Mr. L. Allen demonstrated and tested an enthusiastic "set of amateurs" on grading of coins. New officers for the club are: President - James Loughheed; Secretary - Mrs. R. P. Horton; Treasurer - H. Stobbe; Programs - E. Jephson and Del Curtis.

ST. CATHARINES COIN CLUB had a well-attended Christmas meeting. The presentation of a silver tray by Fred Barley was made to Mrs. George Oblinsky for her fine effort during the past year in numismatic displays. Pat Lambert and Lloyd Dorsey gave a detailed account on the St. Catharines Coin Club project for the Centennial Year. This will be the striking of a Medallion for the City of St. Catharines. The obverse will be a resemblance of the crest of the city and the reverse will show a view of a ship in Lock 3 of the Canal system with the St. Catharines Skyway in the background. The inscription will read, "Garden City of Canada - Gateway to Niagara Region." Election of officers follow: President - Lloyd Dorsey; Vice-president - Mrs. Betty Lou Bellows; Secretary - Mrs. Gwen Harrison; Treasurer - Fred Barley; Editor - Cyril Dillon; Membership - John Morrison; Librarian - Mrs. L. Ritchie; Directors - Victor Snell, Dr. Earl Hunt, Pat Lambert, Sam McMullen and John Sawatsky. It was unanimously voted that a Past Presidents' Club be formed to act as an advisory Council for the Executive. Mrs. Rose Thompson who has been Secretary for the past four years will now act as the Club Historian.

ST. THOMAS NUMISMATIC ASSOCIATION held an "Open House" for their December meeting. Following is the new list of executive officers for the coming year: President - D. Farthing; Vice-president - Phil Nickson; Secretary - Harry James; Treasurer - Leslie McGregor; Directors - William Fressy, Clarence J. Miedema, George Connoy, Jim Ross, George Kerhoulas, Mrs. Gale and Ken Tuff.

SARNIA NUMISMATIC SOCIETY had twenty-five in attendance to view the O. N. A. Audio-Visual, "Odd and Curious Money". Election results are as follows: President - Phil Pratt; Vice-president - Clarence McGee; Secretary Don Park; Treasurer - Horrace Bardwell; Executive Secretary - Carl Williamson; Editor - Norman Scott; Program - Fred Robertson; Auction - John Gould; Coffee - Howard Browning.

THISTLETON COIN CLUB have planned a sensational end-of-the-year program for their members "At the Drop of Another Coin." President, Ronald Scovell, talked on such subjects as: Mail and Floor Auctions; Buying Coins from Dealers; Coin Magazines and Journals; Memberships; Correspondence with numismatists; how to grade coins properly; Selling coins; Displaying; Vaults and safety Deposit Boxes; and many more topics of interest to their new membership.

TORONTO COIN CLUB in November, had Mr. Fred Jewett as their guest speaker. He spoke briefly on a display of paper money which he had brought for the interest of the members. Mr. James Reid spoke on his display of C. N. A. medals. And David Ash displayed a medal struck to commemorate the bicentenary of the Lunar Society of Birmingham giving a brief commentary.

WATERLOO COIN SOCIETY held a "White Elephant" Auction at their December meeting. Display winner of the evening was Albert Fuller with a very colourful display of Provincial Medals. Second place went to Agnes Whetham of Galt.

NORTHUMBERLAND COIN CLUB The 1967 Officers are: President - Kingsley Cockburn; Vice-president - Martin Hoffman; Secretary - Matthew Duncan; Treasurer - Jim Smith. Board of Directors: Barc Ward, Reg. Wenn, Almer Harnden, Geo. Turner.

COMING EVENTS

- February 18, 19 WINDSOR COIN CLUB Centennial Year Show, Norton Palmer Hotel, Windsor, Ontario.
- April 1 HURONIA NUMISMATIC ASSOCIATION 6th Annual Banquet and Coin Show, Centennial Inn, Barrie, Ontario. Centennial Activities, Guest Speaker, and Awards. Tickets: \$3.00. Chairman - Steve Wiggins.
- May 26, 27, 28 ONTARIO NUMISMATIC ASSOCIATION Fifth Annual Convention, Kitchener, Ontario. Host: Waterloo Coin Society. General Chairman: John Shaw, P. O. Box 41, Waterloo, Ont. Bourse Chairman: Philip Mueller, 239 Lancaster Street West, Kitchener, Ontario.

NEW MEMBERS

Applications published in the January issue of the Ontario Numismatist have now been accepted. The following applications have been received. If no written objections are received, their acceptance will be acknowledged in the March issue of the Ontario Numismatist.

576. Mrs. W. E. P. Lambert, 57 Emmett Road, R. R. #4, St. Catharines, Ontario.

TOKENS OF EARLY TORONTO

by

R. C. Willey

The NO LABOUR NO BREAD Token

This token appeared in circulation in Muddy York about 1830, against the wishes of the government. The law of 1825, outlawing private tokens, was equally applicable to Upper as to Lower Canada. The tokens, imported by a local firm in York, were seized at the Customs House and sent to be melted down. It is said that the bulk of the issue mysteriously fell to the floor instead of into the melting pot. At any rate, they soon were noticed in quantity, and were plentiful as late as 1837.

The obverse depicts a man flailing wheat on a threshing floor, with the inscription NO LABOUR NO BREAD. The reverse depicts a farmer behind a plough pulled by two oxen. The legends are SPEED THE PLOUGH and HALF-PENNY TOKEN. There are two principal varieties. One has a threshing floor which terminates almost vertically at the right, while the other shows a floor whose right end slopes upward from the bottom to the right.

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The obverse legend was in those days and, until quite recently, a depressing fact. If one did not work, one did not eat. Today, however, almost every community has one or two individuals who manage to evade this economic law by defrauding the welfare bureau. Fortunately, however, they do not do this for long.

The BRITANNIA TOKEN of 1832

This token, Breton 732, was struck by John Walker and Co. of Birminham on Canadian order. The same error occurs on this piece as on the 1832 tokens of Nova Scotia, struck by the same firm. The bust on the obverse is of George IV, even though the coin was made two years after he was succeeded by William IV. The inscription is PROVINCE OF UPPER CANADA. The reverse depicts Britannia, as on English copper of 1806-1808, with the value and the date 1832.

It is not known whether this coin is a private or official issue. It being a heavier coin than the usual token of Upper Canada, it may have been a provincial piece like the Nova Scotia coppers. No information exists in the Ontario Archives.

BLACKSMITH TOKENS

Upper Canada was bothered with blacksmith tokens, but never on the same grand scale as her sister province of Lower Canada. Doubtless many of the types issued in Lower Canada found their way into the Upper province, but only three types are known to have been issued in Upper Canada.

The best known is an imitation of the common sloop token Breton 727. It bears on one side a crude sloop in a wreath, with crossed shovels over an anvil on the other, also within a wreath. The second depicts a crude bust to the right on the obverse, muled with a crude copying of the reverse of Breton 730. The third is the RISEING SUN TAVERN token. This piece (Wood 24) depicts the laureate bust of the common Wood 23, die crack and all, on the obverse. The reverse is inscribed RISEING SUN TAVERN around the edge. The centre is blank. This legend was deciphered only by comparison of several specimens. For many years this reverse was thought to have been an American type, as many taverns by that name existed in the United States in those days. It has been shown by J. D. Ferguson that the Riseing Sun Tavern of this coin was in Toronto.

The BANK OF UPPER CANADA Tokens

The Bank of Upper Canada was chartered in 1818, and was the sole government bank in Upper Canada. Before 1837 it was entirely in the hands of the Family Compact, and its reorganization was one of the aims of the rebels of 1837. After 1841 the bank was reorganized, and when the capital of the colony of Canada was removed to Toronto after 1849 the bank received the right to coin copper.

In 1850 an order was placed with Ralph Heaton and Company of Birmingham for 5000 of pennies and 5000 of half-pennies. Further issues of this size were released in 1852 and 1854. In 1857 there was an issue of 10,000 of each. The obverse depicts Pistrucchi's St. George and the dragon, with the bank name and date. The reverse shows the old seal of the Province of Upper Canada, with the words Bank Token and the value.

These coins quickly became plentiful, and were adequate for the needs of the colony for several years. They are relatively common in uncirculated condition. They circulated side by side with the decimal coinages for many years after Confederation. In 1867 the Bank of Upper Canada suspended payment, and on examination of its affairs it was found impossible to reopen. During the liquidation of its assets, eleven tons of uncirculated pennies and halfpennies were found in the vaults at the head office. These were sold as copper bullion and ordered to be melted down under government supervision. Undoubtedly many people wanted a few as souvenirs, for a large number escaped the melting pot.

The BANK OF MONTREAL Tokens

On the reunion of Upper and Lower Canada in 1841, the Bank of Montreal was given the right to coin copper. Accordingly they ordered a new issue of pennies and halfpennies from Boulton and Watt of Birmingham, England. Pennies and halfpennies were issued in 1842 and halfpennies in 1844. Two halfpennies dated 1845 were known. Despite the accounts of early writers, there are no pennies of 1844.

The coins depict on the obverse a front view of the bank building in Montreal, with PROVINCE OF CANADA and the bank name as legends. On the reverse is shown the arms of the city of Montreal, with the value and date and the words BANK TOKEN. The halfpennies of 1842 are scarcer than those of 1844. There are three main groups of the halfpenny. The first, or "Tall trees" varieties, has tall, slender trees flanking the building. The right one comes up even with the upper string course (the protruding row of bricks between the storeys), while the left one is distorted, as if being buffeted by a stiff wind. The second, or "Heavy trees" group, has shorter, bushier trees beside the building. The third, known as the "Small trees" group, has short trees like the second group, but less bushy. The "Tall trees" varieties are all scarce, especially the 1842.

THE DECIMAL COINAGE

In 1858, the year of Sir John A. Macdonald's famous "double shuffle", the decimal system was adopted, and bronze cents made their appearance. They were accompanied by silver pieces of five, ten, and twenty cents. The cents were made to be used as a convenient tool of measurement and of weighing small articles. They were an inch in diameter, and a hundred cents weighed a pound avoirdupois. Despite these advantages there was reluctance to accept them at first. Every post office in Canada East and West was given a packet of cents and instructed to put them into circulation. In a few cases the Postmaster-General had to take a high line with postmasters who refused to co-operate. Despite all opposition, however, the coins gradually replaced the older tokens. In 1870 the various bank tokens and provincial tokens of the Maritimes were authorized to pass as cents or two-cent pieces until enough cents could be introduced. In 1876 the first cents of the Dominion of Canada were released, and systematic withdrawal of tokens began. After about 1890, no more tokens were seen in the larger cities.

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WATERLOO COIN SOCIETY HOSTS 1967 CONVENTION

John Shaw, the general chairman informs me that plans are completed for the 1967 Convention to be held at the Granite Club in Kitchener, Ontario. The date is May 26, 27 and 28, 1967.

The Waterloo club is noted for holding the finest numismatic shows in their area for many years. This year promises to be no exception. The Granite Club at 69 Agnes Street Kitchener has excellent facilities to hold the large show.

Bourse Chairman, Phil Mueller reports that tables are selling well, but requests that dealers who intend to come, contact him at 239 Lancaster Street West, Kitchener, to make arrangements for their tables.

Display Chairman, Heinz Herzog, 8 David Street, Kitchener has received requests for display cases but invites all collectors to let him know if they are coming, so space and cases can be arranged for.

Major Sheldon S. Carroll, "1966 Ontario Numismatic Association Medalist of the Year" will accept names of worthy applicants for the 1967 award. Forward your letters to Major Carroll, Bank of Canada, Ottawa, Ontario.

As in past years, this convention is planned to be an informative numismatic adventure, combined with fellowship, good food, and many prizes. The programme will include varied information for all types of collectors from the novice to the experts. The displays will present an opportunity to see and learn about all types of numismia. The collectors who set up these displays really learn the most. Audio visuals, guest speakers and films will round out the programme.

A two-session auction awarded to Jack Dietrich, Box 28, Clinton, Ontario, will be held on Saturday, May 27.

We need your help to make your Annual Convention a success. Plan to attend now.

For further information on accommodations or anything pertaining to the show, contact Mr. John Shaw, Box 41, Waterloo, Ontario.

Bill English
Publicity Chairman.



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ARE YOU READY?

The Fifth Annual Convention of the Ontario Numismatic Association will be held at the Granite Club in Kitchener, Ontario from May 26 to May 28, with the Waterloo Coin Society as Host Club.

Don't wait until the last minute to make your arrangements for this Convention. Early notification of your requirements for display cases or bourse space and your intention to participate will assure you of a place in the show and will guarantee the success of the Convention.

BOURSE CHAIRMAN: Philip Mueller, 239 Lancaster St. West, Kitchener, Ontario.

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Write NOW! to the appropriate person to notify him of your intentions or to ask for information. Don't forget the special categories for displays: Centennial Display and the competition of previous Grand Award winners.

ARE YOU READY TO MAKE THIS OUR BEST CONVENTION YET?

Lloyd T. Smith,
President.

CENTENNIAL BANK NOTES RELEASED

Two versions of the Centennial Bank Notes have been released for 1967; one for general circulation and the other for collectors.

On the circulation issue the serial numbers are in continuation from the 1954 series, while the collectors' version will carry a unique 1867-1967 designation.

In design the face of the commemorative notes differ from the 1954 series with the presentation of the centennial emblem in the green security engraving on the left side. Also the upper border of the note carries the legend Centennial of Canadian Confederation, and on the lower border the French version of the legend replaces the designation of the printers.

On the back a vignette depicting Canada's first Parliament Buildings replaces the customary prairie scent for 1967. On this side the French version of the centennial legend is placed in the upper border, while the English version replaces the dual designation of the issuing authority in the lower.

Interested collectors may obtain these specially prepared collector specimens by applying to the Bank of Canada in Ottawa (the only office through which they may be obtained), remitting the face value of the note requested, plus 35 cents for postage.

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NEW MEMBERS

Applications published in the February issue of the Ontario Numismatist have now been accepted. The following applications have been received. If no written objections are received, their acceptance will be acknowledged in the April issue of the Ontario Numismatist.

577. Kenneth A. Palmer, 10 Wesanford Place, Hamilton, Ont.

578. Edward G. Sinclair, Box 250, Deep River, Ont.

CLUB NEWS

BRANTFORD COIN CLUB Vice-president, Fred Hiuser, conducted the January meeting in the absence of President Bill Sutor. Those present enjoyed an O. N. A. Audio-visual, "Eddystone Lighthouse" and "World Orders," by David Ashe.

HAMILTON COIN CLUB had eighteen members and four guests out to their January meeting. Numerous questions were directed to the "Panel" which consisted of Eugene Culp, Bob Low, Ross Wilby, and Bruce Brace. A brisk discussion resulted. Each person present commented briefly on what he collected. There was a large number of excellent displays for the viewing pleasure of those present: Danish Coins - Dorte Brace; Ancient Roman - Bruce Brace; Ancient Greek - Ross Wilby; English Trades Tokens - Bob Low; Columbia Exposition - Fred Briggs; Medals and Tokens - Eugene Culp; and French sets - Arthur Honour.

HURONIA NUMISMATIC ASSOCIATION enjoyed the film "Money Minters," in January, to be followed in February by, "The Story of Sculpture."

INGERSOLL COIN CLUB began the year with slides on "Medallions" by Alan Macnab who also displayed many of those shown, plus several that were not photographed.

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NIAGARA FALLS COIN CLUB (Ontario) which meets the third Wednesday of each month at the B.C.V.A. Hall, 1060 Magdalen St., have selected their executive for 1967: President - Lloyd Hottot; Vice-president - Evan MacDonald; Secretary - Mrs. Audrey Tompkins; Treasurer - Mrs. O. L. Daley; Directors - Harold Daniels, Melvin Fiske, Jack Hughes and Klaus Mueller.

OKVILLE COIN CLUB featured an informal discussion regarding a questionnaire, but no definite conclusions were arrived at, except that more advertising is required to increase the membership. Mrs. K. Orgel volunteered to make posters for this purpose to be displayed in store windows of local merchants. President, Wes Ham, read the article "Swiss Citizen Soldiers" by the late Ed Schroeder. The meeting concluded with a very spirited auction conducted by Karl Orgel.

ST. CATHARINES COIN CLUB was honoured to have Mayor Robert Johnston of St. Catharines attend the February meeting and to officially receive the first St. Catharines Centennial Medallion. There were one hundred and nineteen members and guests present at this meeting. Another distinguished guest was the speaker, David Mansfield; purchasing agent for the City, and unofficial historian for the city and surrounding area. He worked closely with the medallion committee in executive the design, and his talk included an explanation of the City crest which appears on the obverse. Lloyd Dorsey, President of the club, presented the speaker with one of the new medallions. Harold Daniels, Past President of the Niagara Falls Coin Club, and winner of the contest design of the Niagara Falls Medallion was introduced to the gathering. Ten members entered displays and the winners were: Senior - 1st. Lloyd Dorsey; 2nd. Catharine Oblinsky; 3rd. Betty Lou Bellows. Junior - 1st. Deborah Bellows; 2nd. John Sawatsky Jr.; 3rd. Beigh Cassidy. Hans Brendl, a well-known local photographer was present to take photographs of the highlights of this important meeting. Anyone wishing information on these medallions may do so by writing Lloyd Dorsey or Pat Lambert, c/o Medallion Committee, 231 St. Paul Street. W., St. Catharines, Ontario. See ad in this issue.

ST. THOMAS NUMISMATIC ASSOCIATION is very active in their preparations for their upcoming fourth Annual Coin Show, May 20th. Choice material is being accepted for the auction and a banquet is to be included in the show.

STRATFORD COIN CLUB has a Centennial project, too ... a "Coin Zoo". They are attempting to obtain as many different coins using animals as subjects as possible. These will be arranged in a display and shown at Coin Shows and Civic events. Anyone may donate to this Centennial Project by mailing their contributions to: Stratford Coin Club, Box 262, Stratford, Ontario. The March meeting will feature Detective Sergeant Alsop of the London District O. P. P. speaking of Forgery, Counterfeiting, Fraud, and Break and Enter. His talk will be illustrated by slides and displays.

TORONTO COIN CLUB members heard a charming talk in January by Mrs. Ethel Sentes, on the Evolution of Chinese Coinage, from the cowrie shells of 1766 B. C. to the Provincial silver coinage under the Empire, first issued in A. D. 1896, with comments on the copper knife money of 1079 B. C., the copper spade money of 680 B. C. and the first round copper coins of 220 B. C., specimens of all of which were displayed at the meeting in Mrs. Sentes' award-winning exhibits. A welcome visitor, John J. Pittman, Rochester, N. Y., brought with him assorted specimens of paper currency, Chinese coins and coins issued by Elizabeth II of Russia specially for circulation in Siberia, together with a copy of Hazeltine's book published in 1872 on the subject of Paper Money of the Continental United States.

WATERLOO COIN SOCIETY presented two excellent films at their January meeting: first, the story of Emmanuel Hahn showing the pride he took and the methods he used in designing some of our Canadian coinage; second, a very colourful and exciting film about Expo '67, showing the construction and layout of the man-made island on which Expo will be held. Display winners of the month were: Senior - 1. Wilf Erb; 2. Agnes Whetham; 3 Albert Fuller. Junior - Jimmie Bowen.

COMING EVENTS

- April 1 HURONIA NUMISMATIC ASSOCIATION Centennial Coin Show and Banquet, Centennial Inn, Barrie, Ontario.
- April 16 PAPER MONEY COLLECTOR Meeting, sponsored by a group of interested collectors, 2:00 p. m., Room 8, Central YMCA, 40 College Street, Toronto. Educational Programme on paper money at 3:00 p. m. Closing time 5:00 p. m. Bourse tables (\$3.00 each), paper money displays. Plan to attend. For information write to John Regitko Jr., 29 Spruce Street, Toronto 2, Ontario.
- May 7 STRATFORD COIN CLUB 5th Annual Coin Show and Auction, St. Joseph's Parish Hall.
- May 20 ST. THOMAS NUMISMATIC ASSOCIATION 4th Annual Coin Show - Banquet and Auction, from 10:00 a. m. to 10:00 p. m. - Grace United Church. General Chairman - D. Farthing. Display Chairman - Les McGregor. Auction - G. Connoy. Banquet - Mrs. Gale. Bourse - C. J. Miedema. Tickets - Les McGregor.
- May 26, 27, 28 ONTARIO NUMISMATIC ASSOCIATION Fifth Annual Convention, Kitchener, Ontario. Host: Waterloo Coin Society. General Chairman: John Shaw, P. O. Box 41, Waterloo, Ontario. Bourse Chairman: Philip Mueller, 239 Lancaster Street West, Kitchener, Ontario.
- Aug. 31, Sept. 1 and 2 CANADIAN NUMISMATIC ASSOCIATION 14th Annual Convention, Chateau Laurier Hotel, Ottawa, Ontario.

WATERLOO HOSTS O. N. A. CONVENTION

May 26, 27, 28, 1967

The 1967 Ontario Numismatic Association Convention to be held at the Granite Club in Kitchener, Ontario, promises to be outstanding. Judging from the arrangements made to date by the Waterloo Coin Society, the collector will be "King." The host club is noted for outstanding coin exhibitions.

This year's show promises to be no exception according to Club President, Mrs. Shirley English.

Major Sheldon S. Carroll will be the guest speaker at the banquet planned for Saturday evening. Major Carroll who is Curator of Canada's National Money Museum was also the Charter President of the Canadian Numismatic Association.

A special trophy presented to the O. N. A., by the Kitchener Coin Club will be presented for the best Centennial theme display. To show recognition to past Grand Award winners of any numismatic show, another "Special Category" will be included. In this way the best exhibitors of previous shows will have an opportunity to compete on a higher level. The balance of the categories will include Junior, Canadian Coins, World Coins, Canadian Currency, Tokens, Topical, World Currency, and Miscellaneous. Trophies and ribbons will be awarded. Display Chairman, H. Herzog will send a copy of the categories and judges point system to all interested exhibitors. Please register for displays so cases can be provided where necessary.

The 1967 commemorative medal will have the new design of the O. N. A. on one side and the City of Waterloo crest on the other. The medals will be available in bronze, sterling silver, Gold-filled and Solid Gold. Address all enquiries to Box 33, Waterloo, Ontario and they will be given to the respective chairman.

A two-session auction, one of the requests from our dealer survey, will be conducted by J. Dietrich, Box 28, Clinton, Ontario. Mr. Dietrich is still accepting lots from collectors interested in disposing of better type material. Please write before sending any material.

A large well-lighted area is available for bourse dealers. Complying with the majority on the dealer survey, the number of dealers has been kept to approximately forty with a bourse fee of \$50.00. Mr. P. Mueller, Bourse Chairman, 239 Lancaster Street West, Kitchener, Ontario, is still accepting applications.

This will be an election year and nominations for executive positions are being accepted by Mr. E. Stahley, 64 North Drive, Kitchener, Ontario.

All coin clubs in Ontario are invited to send delegates to the convention. This is an opportunity to meet and talk to other clubs and discuss mutual problems or achievements. A delegates' Luncheon is planned so we must know in advance who is coming to make the necessary arrangements.

Special draws for 100 - 1967 silver dollars, and 1967 - Canadian cents, plus many more prizes will also be included in the programme. The Kitchener-Waterloo area is noted for its good food, friendly hospitality and intense interest in coin collecting. This is a must show for all collectors new or old. Plan to be at this year's show.

General Chairman, John Shaw will answer all enquiries and direct all mail to respective chairmen. The address is Box 33, Waterloo, Ontario.

This is your Convention, plan to attend.

Bill English,
Publicity Director,
Ontario Numismatic Association.

ST. CATHARINES CENTENNIAL MEDAL

A distinctive Centennial medallion for the City of St. Catharines has been struck to commemorate Canada's 100th year of Confederation. The medallion now being distributed by the St. Catharines Coin Club is available in Bronze, Nickel-Silver, .999 Fine Silver and Gold.

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PAPER MONEY MEETING SCHEDULED FOR TORONTO ON APRIL 16, 1967

A meeting of paper money collectors or anyone else interested in learning more about paper money is invited to attend a special meeting to be held at 2:00 p. m. on Sunday, April 16, in Room 8 (second floor) of the Central Y. M. C. A., 40 College Street, Toronto, Ontario. This meeting, sponsored by a group of interested paper money collectors and supported by the Canadian Paper Money Society, will consist of bourse, displays and educational programmes dealing primarily with Canadian Paper Money.

Bourse tables, limited to approximately 7, will offer paper money for sale or purchase. It is reported two tables are still available to anyone interested in selling

their duplicate paper or anyone interested in purchasing notes to add to his collection or numismatic stock. The charge of \$3.00 includes a wooden display case, but the majority of material offered for sale must be paper money.

The educational programme is scheduled to begin at 3:00 p. m. Mr. Walter Allan of Bronte, Ontario has been invited to show slides of and speak on "Canadian Paper Money." Immediately following, it is planned to have a well-known numismatist speak on a similar subject. At its conclusion, the meeting will return to the bourse, fellowship and individual discussions.

A number of displays on Paper Money will be on hand. They are top-notch displays entered non-competitively and consequently no awards will be made.

Anyone interested in a bourse table is asked to write John Regitko Jr., 29 Spruce Street, Toronto 2, Ontario.

FROM A GROUP OF INTERESTED
PAPER MONEY COLLECTORS.

IN MEMORIUM

It is with deep regret that I must report the death of Sammy Sales on Saturday, February 18, 1967 at New Mount Sinai Hospital, Toronto. He was stricken with a coronary heart attack on February 7 and had been confined to an oxygen tent until his death.

Funeral services were held on Monday, February 20 at the Beth Shalom Synagogue with burial at the Interment Roselawn Avenue Cemetery, Toronto.

A veteran Canadian TV actor and comedian, Sammy was born in Poland and came to Toronto with his parents in 1907 at the age of 2. His father was a scrap dealer who raised seven children.

He started his career in show business at the age of 14, when he appeared in the old Standard Theatre, a burlesque house, on Yonge Street in the heart of Toronto. For the past seven years he has been the host of the Brown Derby's Gay Nineties Room, a very respected and respectable night-club, just a few blocks north of where the Standard Theatre stood.

Early in his career, he made a bid to hit the big time. He went to Chicago at the age of 19 and then to New York at 21. In New York, he worked in a subway newsstand during the day and in a burlesque house at night.

After several years of seeking the elusive big time, he returned to Toronto to open a talent agency with impresario Tommy McClure.

He developed his famous waiter routines while playing the banquet circuit in Ontario. He would walk in on the banquet near the end of the serving dressed as a waiter and conduct an act designed to humorously embarrass two prominent people at the dinner. He also portrayed the routine on radio and television shows.

His engagement at the Brown Derby was one of the longest in show business history in Toronto. He did songs and comedy routines of bygone days. His innumerable performances were marred by only one incident - several months ago he was attacked by two men at closing time and knocked unconscious, requiring hospitalization and a number of stitches around his face (including plastic surgery).

A member of a number of local and national coin clubs, Sammy attended meetings faithfully for a number of years. He was such an ardent numismatist that, when the Central Coin Club met Tuesday evenings, he asked that he be allowed to have Tuesdays off work so that he could attend meetings. When the Central Coin Club changed their meeting night to Monday, he again asked and received permission from the Gay Nineties management to take Monday evening off work. Night-club life required Sammy to work in the Evenings.

His evening off was always spend at the Central Y. M. C. A.'s coin club where he was well-liked and respected for his opinions. He wrote a number of short articles for the Canadian Numismatic Variety Collectors Association's monthly journal, being a collector mostly of Canadian Mint Errors and Die Varieties. He was also the speaker at a number of Central Coin Club meetings.

Sammy is survived by his wife, Ruth, two daughters, five brothers, one sister and three grandchildren.

He will be missed not only by his personal friends but also by the numismatic community. As one of his friends said: "NO ONE HAD EVER SAID AN UNKIND WORD ABOUT HIM."

In respect to my friend Sammy,

John Regitko Jr.

SPECIAL TO BOURSE DEALERS

RESULTS OF O. N. A. "QUESTIONNAIRE TO DEALERS" - - - -

1. Most dealers favour a \$50 bourse fee.
2. 10% of bourse fee should go to direct advertising of the bourse.
3. Most dealers recommend at least 50 dealers for a convention.
4. Almost every dealer requires an 8 foot table with plug-in for light.
5. Exactly 50% of dealers require a display case.
6. Most dealers agreed that tables should be assigned by date of application.
7. If there is to be a public admission charge, it should be based on the bourse charge. That is, if dealers are charged \$75 or more, there should be no public admission charge.
8. Limit auctions to two sessions, Saturday evening and Sunday afternoon.

There is no point in conducting a questionnaire of this nature if the recommendations are not adopted. So, the O. N. A. has adopted every proposal on the basis of average requirements. We are sure that these recommendations will be studied and adopted for all major conventions.

Part of the direct bourse advertising campaign will include the names of dealers who will attend the convention and we hope, an indication of their table location. As tables are being assigned by date of application, it is imperative that all tables be assigned in advance of the convention so that all names can be included in the earliest possible advertising.

Naturally, late applications will have less choice of tables and may not be received in time to be included in our advertising campaign.

The Fifth Annual Convention is shaping up well to become the biggest and best we have ever held, so why not make your application for a table now. You would be very disappointed if the quota is filled and your application is returned marked "Sorry, sold out"!

Write today to Mr. P. Mueller, Bourse Chairman, O. N. A. 1967 Convention, 239 Lancaster St. W., Kitchener, Ont.

NOMINATIONS FOR O. N. A. OFFICERS FOR THE 1967-1969 TERM OF OFFICE

Mr. Ed Stahley, Election Chairman for the 1967 nomination and election has informed us that he has received quite a few nominations for some offices, but none for others. For this reason, nominations will be accepted until April 1, 1967.

Please give this matter your most serious consideration as the future of this

Association will benefit most by electing the best officers and directors.

It is very important that every club and area be represented on the O. N. A. Executive so please send those nominations for President, First Vice-president, Second Vice-president, Secretary, Treasurer, and Directors in now, to Mr. Ed Stahley, Election Chairman, P. O. Box 191, Kitchener, Ontario.

By the way, if you feel that you would like to serve our Association, there is nothing unethical about having someone nominate you or even nominating yourself. You know the persons who can best represent your area, so with their permission, send in those names today.

RESTRIKES

By Ken Hodges

EDITOR'S NOTE: This article was published by the International Numismatic Society of San Diego. It clearly states that it is one man's opinion and not that of "Intercoin" or "The Ontario Numismatist." But it is a controversial subject and one that should provoke much thought and serious consideration. The Editor of "Intercoin" is very interested in your serious opinion. Send your views to: INTERCOIN; Ken Hodges, Editor; 8650 Tyler Street, Spring Valley, California 92077, U. S. A.

The question of numismatic restrikes has been frequently in the news of late, and the whole matter poses some interesting questions. The thought behind the presentation of this article is the expression of one man's opinion in the hope that the result of this expression will some response from our readers in sufficient quantity to provide a forum on the subject through the medium of letters to the editor.

The recent furor over restrikes seems to be largely the result of two incidents in the not too distant past: the issuing by the Indian government mint in Bombay of restrikes of such popular and well known coins as those of the Australian and Straits Settlements series, and the restriking and sale by the Hungarian government of many different coins of that country, some in klippe form offered frequently by dealers as "patterns." First of all, I would like to state my unequivocal opposition to activities such as those indulged in by the Indian mint, involving restriking of coins originally issued by another government, and it is fortunate that the Australian government has managed to put a stop to this practice where its coins are involved.

As for the case of Hungary, I don't see this as any particular cause for alarm. While the matter may be distasteful to many, including, paradoxically, myself, it must be borne in mind that the Hungarian government has exclusive rights to whatever use it wishes for Hungarian coinage dies. No mintage figures were guaranteed for any of these issues, and the Hungarian government has the right to strike as many of these coins as it pleases, regardless of its motives for doing so. Ideally, most of us would like to see the practice stopped, but realistically there seems to be little hope of this coming about. Artistically and esthetically, there is little to complain about, for these restrikes are often much nicer in quality and execution than were the originals. For those approaching numismatics from the investment angle, the matter is more serious, but about all that can be done is to make note of such bad investments and avoid them in the future.

Descriptions used in referring to these restrikes are quite another thing. The government involved here makes no attempt to conceal the fact that the coins are restruck, just as many governments in the past have made no guarantees to limit the issue of some coins. The fault here lies in those dealers and others who state or imply that a coin is original, or that an announced mintage is a guaranteed limit. Where there are obvious differences between originals and restrikes, as a proof surface where one did not exist before, an identifying mark or shape such as a mintmark or a klippe, a new die such as

exists in the restruck Royal Wedding commemoratives of Greece and John the Blind coins of Luxemburg, a difference in metal, or the like, there is little worry that the coins will be mistaken for originals by anyone with any familiarity at all with the issue. With the vast body of numismatic information available today, much of it in the form of weekly or monthly publications which report in detail on numismatic developments such as those discussed here, there is little excuse for mistaking those restrikes which exhibit noticeable differences from the originals for the originals, and there is little excuse for not knowing which issues are subject to unmarked restriking. The solution, if there be any at all, lies in the ever present need for more and more numismatic education, regardless of how much of such education is presently available.

There are many reasons for issuing coins. First of all is the need for a circulating medium; this is the classic reason for the existence of most world coins. Second might be a need or desire for national identity, which is a psychological factor. A country may be small, with few people, and may already make use of the coins of a neighboring nation, but one of the things that makes that nation a nation is the ability to exercise the sovereign right of coinage.

A third factor in coinage issue is strictly economic, but not economic in the sense of providing a circulating medium of exchange. It has in recent years been demonstrated unequivocally that the business of coin-issuing is highly lucrative. The principle of issuing coins to make money is not a new one - - - for example, the highly respected series of U. S. commemorative half dollars were all issued to raise money, for one purpose or another. In addition, all medals except a very few government issues, are struck or cast for the sole purpose of making money, either for the issuer or for some charitable cause. Therefore, it is not so unusual when a country sees and takes advantage of the opportunity to make some money by issuing a set of coins. If stocks become depleted, it is quite natural to order a new batch to fill the demand. If a dealer runs low on new cars, he will order more. If a magazine publisher finds that not enough issues are available for the reading public, then larger press runs are in order. Is it so unusual, then, for a country to strike more coins if it is apparent that they can sell them? And sell them they have. We may not like it, and the next issue may not sell as well because of it, but these are numismatic facts of life which cannot be denied and the collector of modern coins will have to live with it. If people get mad enough, a general boycott of such issues could result in a reassessment of these practices by the governments involved, but I for one do not look for this to happen. As for me, I collect coins for my own reasons, and these reasons have very little to do with how many of a particular coin exist or how much they cost. As a consequence, I find myself less concerned with these practices than many. This is not to say that I am right and you are wrong, but merely that I, as an individual, believe that there is much too much of a tempest going on in the wrong direction, and that if we put forth more of our effort on definitions, explanations, education, honest advertising, and anything else that will give the collector greater awareness and a more complete knowledge of his hobby, then we will all be better off.

By these comments I do not mean to condone irresponsible restriking; for example, if a coin set is guaranteed to be limited to a certain mintage, its mintage should not exceed that guarantee. But the plain fact is that many of the sets over which there has been such a furor -- Ghana, Sierra Leone, and others --- were not guaranteed. Canada came in for much criticism when she announced a couple of years back that coin orders were to be reopened and additional quantities struck until all demand was satisfied. Those who hollered weren't the collectors who missed their first chance at ordering with a one-day cutoff date, but rather those who had an investment in vast quantities of coins which were of less potential value when collectors obtained a new chance to order for themselves.

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Place: Granite Club, Kitchener, Ontario

Time: May 26, 27, 28, 1967

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Speaker: Major Sheldon S. Carroll
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NEW MEMBERS

Applications published in the March issue of the Ontario Numismatist have now been accepted. The following applications have been received. If no written objections are received, their acceptance will be acknowledged in the May issue of the Ontario Numismatist:

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580. Stephen A. Wiggins, Stroud, Ontario.

581. Mrs. Gwen Sager, 97 West Bridge Street, Belleville, Ontario.

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COMING EVENTS

- May 7 STRATFORD COIN CLUB 5th Annual Show and Auction, St. Josephs Parish Hall, Stratford, Ontario.
- May 20 ST. THOMAS NUMISMATIC ASSOCIATION 4th Annual Coin Show, Banquet and Auction. 10:00 a. m. to 10:00 p. m. - Grace United Church. General Chairman - D. Farthing. Display Chairman - Les McGregor; Auction - G. Conroy, Banquet - Mrs. Gale, Bourse - C. J. Miedema, Tickets - Les McGregor.
- May 26, 27, 28 ONTARIO NUMISMATIC ASSOCIATION 5th Annual Convention, Kitchener, Ontario. Host: Waterloo Coin Society. General Chairman - John Shaw, P. O. Box 41, Waterloo, Ontario. Bourse Chairman - Philip Mueller, 239 Lancaster Street West, Kitchener, Ontario.
- Aug. 31, Sept. 1, and 2 CANADIAN NUMISMATIC ASSOCIATION 14th Annual Convention, Chateau Laurier Hotel, Ottawa, Ontario.
- October 14 QUINPEX SHOW (Bay of Quinte Numismatic Association). Combination of stamps and coins. Belleville Armouries. Displays Auctions Bourse Competitive exhibits. For information contact: Club Secretary, Box 125, Belleville, Ontario.

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CHANGES OF METAL CONTENT IN CANADIAN COINS

by

George Moore-Gough, President, Canadian Numismatic Variety Collectors Association
Reprinted from the Association's monthly ERVAR DIGEST

The long awaited announcement has been made, although it has not as yet been credited as being absolute. Mention has been made in the press that the Royal Canadian Mint are about to change the metal content of Canadian silver coins. Due to the ever

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increasing shortage of world silver, talks have been going on to find a means of conserving whatever stocks that are now present and it appears that Canada will follow suit and mint coins of metals other than silver. The press items suggest strongly that the substitute metal will be nickel, a mineral Canada has plenty of.

A CBC broadcast communicated to the listening public that the Royal Canadian Mint would change the metal content of Canadian coinage. It was stated that the Mint would in all probability use pure Nickel. To date enquiries have gained no further information than that issued in December.

It is sincerely hoped that the Mint will not change the metal content of the silver dollar. This coin today is one of the, if not the most beautiful, coin minted in the world and as such it should remain. It is realized that there is a world shortage of silver and that new finds are negligible but it is also realized that the Canadian dollar is not used as a daily media of exchange but rather exists as a collectors item; collecting not solely practiced by the numismatist, but by all and sundry. Since 1935, the first year of issue, more young ladies and gentlemen have received silver dollars for purposes to commemorate their birthdays. This practise has so developed that it is almost an institution not withstanding the fact that it is tradition. Many of our senior citizens have received the silver dollar on the important anniversaries of their full lives and these same silver dollars over the years have found their way into the banks of grandchildren, nephews and nieces. If only for the sake of tradition, it is to be hoped that the Mint will, in the coming years, continue to mint the silver dollar. In truth it is not believed that the minting of silver dollars will seriously deplete the store rooms of the nation.

CLUB NEWS

BRANTFORD COIN CLUB President, Bill Sutor, presided over the regular monthly meeting Sunday evening, February 19th. Walter Griggs headed an interesting discussion on the Brant Centennial Medal. Two other members, Robert S. Comer of Simcoe and Willy F. Mahrt of Delhi, offered to represent the Brantford Coin Club in the promotion and sale of the Brant County Centennial Medal.

CAPITAL CITY COIN CLUB (Ottawa) held their January meeting with 26 members and 3 guests present. President Jack Roberts welcomed Mr. Norval Parker, Master of the Royal Canadian Mint, and presented him with an Honorary Life Membership in the CCCC. The membership was given in recognition of his contributions in the field of Canadian Numismatics. Mr. Parker talked to the club about the 1967 Centennial coins and discussed the Mint's collection, all of which was donated by the public. At the close of his address, Mr. Parker presented to Ed Forrest, a 1967 Centennial Medal for his award-winning exhibit from the club's December meeting. President, Jack Roberts then introduced the Hon. Robert N. Thompson, leader of the Social Credit Party and member of the House of Commons representing Red Deer, Alberta. Mr. Thompson talked to the club about his collection and some of its most outstanding pieces. The most prized of his collection is a bronze coin that he personally dug up from the palace grounds of the famous Queen of Sheba. This coin was struck approximately in 5000 B. C. On his last visit to Canada, the Emperor of Ethiopia, Hallie Selassie, presented Mr. Thompson with a gold coin from the same period as the one he dug up.

CENTRAL COIN CLUB (Toronto) had a very special speaker at one of their recent meetings Major Sheldon S. Carroll, Curator of the Numismatic Collection of the Bank of Canada, Ottawa. Seventy-six persons had the privilege of hearing Major Carroll talk on "The History of Canadian Paper Money" ... from the world's first paper money; early banks; Hudson's Bay paper money; municipal money; prisoner-of-war money; playing card money; shinplasters and the new Centennial notes.

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HAMILTON COIN CLUB had fifteen members and three guests out to their February meeting. Eugene Culp was unanimously elected to the presidency. Gerald E. Glasser, the club's newest member, will spear-head a project to set up a Centennial display to be shown in appropriate locations around the City of Hamilton.

HURONIA NUMISMATIC ASSOCIATION February meeting, was attended by over 20 persons in spite of severe weather conditions. The film "The Story of Sculpture", was presented for those present.

INGERSOLL COIN CLUB members were very disappointed that their guest speaker, Percy Elgie, was ill and unable to attend. But, Norman Barns brought along his projector and a series of slides he took while on holiday in Scotland. So, the 24 members and guests were highly entertained. Added to the enjoyment of the evening was a Centennial Quiz provided by Norm Barns.

LONDON NUMISMATIC SOCIETY had forty-five members and guests brave the nine below zero temperature in order to attend their February meeting. President, Tom Masters introduced the guest speaker of the evening, Mr. William "Bud" Measor, who gave a very interesting talk on Canada and World Coins. L. N. S. is already making plans for another banquet in September.

NORFOLK COIN CLUB is sponsoring a membership drive for this Centennial year. Every member who brings a guest will receive one point; for each new member, five points. In June (and again in December) the member with the highest points will receive five Silver Dollars ... Very Nice!!! New officers for 1967 are: President - Doc Heatherington; Vice-president - Willy Mahrt; Secretary - Elsie Fick; Treasurer - Edna Smith; Directors - George Smith, Mick Henning, Fred Crabb, Mel Tataraka and Don Beaton.

OAKVILLE COIN CLUB members were entertained at the February meeting with the showing of O. N. A. Audio-Visual, "Canadian Fractional Currency." It provided an opportunity for all present to not only see the changes this currency underwent but also hear the explanations for them. Two displays were presented by members for viewing pleasure.

RICHMOND HILL COIN CLUB ... Welcome!!! ... This is our first bulletin from this club and it looks like a real thriving club. Thirty-three members and guests attended the January meeting and were putting final touches on their banquet to be held on March 25th.

SARINIA NUMISMATIC SOCIETY had 30 members out to their February meeting and presented the O.N.A. Audio-Visual, "Canadian Voyageur Dollar." This is to be followed in March by a quiz program to find out just how much the members profited by the showing of these slides.

ST. CATHARINES COIN CLUB will feature Lloyd T. Smith, President of the Ontario Numismatic Association, as guest speaker in March. Mr. Smith will discuss the judging of displays. Mrs. Ritchie, who is always prominent in the club's social affairs, has been confined to hospital. We join the club in wishing her a speedy recovery.

ST. THOMAS NUMISMATIC ASSOCIATION are making great plans for their 4th Coin Show. Eleven categories are available for displays and they will be judged by merit rather than the point system.

THISTLETOWN COIN CLUB January meeting featured an O.N.A. Audio-Visual presentation "Ships on Coins", by Alex Munro. It took the viewers back in history to Biblical times and then down through the ages to our 1949 Canadian Silver Dollar which features Cabot's ship the "Matthew". Election of officers is as follows: Pres. - Bryan Mitchell; Vice-president - John Jefferies; Secretary - George Hands; Treasurer - Dennis Newman; Auctioneer and Past President - Ronald Scovell.

TORONTO COIN CLUB have elected their officers for 1967 as follows: Past-president - A. L. Munro; President - F. C. Jewett; First Vice-president - Winifred Mather; Vice-president - Louise Graham; Secretary - John Galilee; Treasurer - Harvey Farrow; Librarian - Paul Petch; Directors - Dr. J. S. Wilkinson, Cecil Rhodes and Inspector R. J. F. Hather.

Mrs. Ethel Sentes, Hamilton, illustrated her talk on Chinese coinage with two of her award-winning exhibits.

WATERLOO COIN SOCIETY members had an interesting and enjoyable February meeting, but found that there is still a great deal to learn about Canadian numismatics after John Shaw conducted a Coin Quiz.

WOODSTOCK COIN CLUB had 40 members out to their February meeting. President, Albert Cole reported to the members that their medal for 1967 was in the hands of the engravers and would be available about the end of March. Guest speaker, Les Coles, showed some beautiful slides of Oxford County. It is interesting to note that even though there is a decline in coin interest, this club enrolled nine new members at this meeting.

WINDSOR COIN CLUB held their annual meeting recently and new officers were elected. The yearly report shows a steady increase in attendance. The change of meeting place is bringing out a number of members that have not been attending. The show was the club's Centennial Project and it was a very rewarding show in goodwill and dealers satisfaction as well as a financial success for the club. New officers are as follows: President - Carl Querbach; 1st. Vice-president - Guy Jamieson; 2nd. Vice-president - John Yocom; Treasurer - Miss D. Laudie; Secretary - Mrs. G. E. Pomeroy; Auction Convenor - Ken Annett; Registration - Mrs. C. Querbach; Librarian - Mrs. B. Armour; Directors - Mrs. W. Howells; Mrs. B. Armour, A. Yapp, L. Johnston and G. E. Pomeroy.

RESTRIKES

By Ken Hedges

First appearing in "Intercoin"

Continued from last month's bulletin.

Other restrrike activities are in for discussion besides those mentioned. While much criticism often is in order, some certainly is not, and the gold coins issued by Spain are a case in point. A Spanish gold coin is quite obviously struck for purposes other than a circulating medium, but that is no secret --- France struck the 10-Franc silver crown for a similar, non-circulating reason. The method of dating Spanish gold coins has been a subject of great criticism, but in reality there is no problem for collectors familiar with Spanish coinage: ALL Spanish coins bear the true date in microscopic numerals within stars while the large date indicates the date of the law under which the coin is struck. Other countries, such as Austria, may be criticized for restriking coins with early dates, and Spain might even be criticized on other grounds, but the dating of Spanish gold restrikes is neither dishonest nor surreptitious, being done in accord with normal dating practices of the country. Other old types of coins are often restruck, such as those of the Netherlands struck with older dates, but with easily discernible mintmaster symbols, or in older types with new dates. All these are highly collectable in their own right and deserve not the criticism levelled at them.

Art galleries and various other types of stores as a regular practice sell reproductions of paintings, statues, and other types of artwork. Coins and medals are in their own way must as validly considered works of art as these others, and one often wonders just what the difference is. A coin seldom is reproduced as a work of art, but it is often reproduced for other purposes. One of the chief of these reasons is to provide a means of holding metals --- gold in most cases or silver in the case of France's 10-Franc coin issued in imitation of the old 5-Franc piece. This practice is not inherently wrong, and such items are produced in full accordance with the laws of the country in which they are made --- and this must be the final authority concerning the striking of these coins. In most cases it is the use to which such a coin is put that brings the trouble, and here the only feasible answer to the dilemma is education of the collector. We can only be unequivocally opposed to restriking of coins for fraudulent purposes and to use of coins restruck for other purposes in a fraudulent manner. This writer does not

condone such deceptive practices, but he does feel that we must be careful to place the blame where it belongs.

Coins may be reproduced for other reasons as well, a common way, particularly in European countries such as Austria, being to reproduce, usually from new dies, an old coin design with all details as on the original save for an added modern date in an area where no date appears on the original coin. This has been done to commemorate an anniversary in the introduction of a famous old coin type, or to mark other historical events connected with the coin reproduced.

Mentioning Austria brings up another famous restrrike: the Maria Theresa Thaler. This coin was restruck for a purely economic reason --- its continued use in the markets of the Middle East. When Austria undertook to produce proof strikes of this famous coins, they were enthusiastically received by collectors the world over. The coin recently has come in for its share of criticism in that it is an issue produced merely for collectors some going so far as to say it is not even a coin at all, but a medal, token, or some such thing. It is true that the proof Maria Theresa Thaler is not strictly a trade coin, just as proof United States coins are not circulation issues, but to say that a proof Maria Theresa Thaler is not a coin is just patently ridiculous.

Enough for coins. The field of medals has come into the restriking picture as well. Many numismatic groups are on record as opposing restrikes, but it occurs to this writer that they might be more careful before issuing blanket condemnations. The United States mint itself has been issuing restrikes of its medals for many years, and will continue to do so. The Paris mint in France likewise issues restrikes, and in this case, at least, it is apparent that new dies are made when old dies become unserviceable, since this writer has seen older medals with diebreaks and newer issues of the same medal in perfect condition. A case in point here is the beautiful medal issued in 1833 to mark the visit to the mint of the royal family of France. The medal is a beautiful example of the die-cutter's art, and it is available today from the Paris mint. A second case is the medal struck during the reign of Louis XVIII and featuring the Greek statue, Venus de Milo. A restrrike of the medal can be obtained today from the same mint which originally issued it --- Paris. The Brigitte Bardot medal is not yet a restrrike, but given a few years it will be in the same category as the others and will be restruck to fill whatever demand is present for its release.

The venerable English medallistic firm of Finches, Ltd., has recently issued a series of restruck historical medals originally issued by their firm or firms which they have since taken over in mergers. These medals are offered as reproductions, from original dies, of famous medals, and are offered in limited quantity to make available examples of medallistic art which would be otherwise unrepresented in modern collections. Who is to say whether such a practice is unethical, especially since the company owns the dies and all rights to their use. A further point is involved here, however, and it is that these restrikes are guaranteed to be limited to a certain quantity. If further restrikes of the same medals were later to be made, the protests from the collector would rightly be in order.

There are ways to tell these recently restruck medals from older so-called "originals". The issues from Finches, for example, bear a modern hallmark and guarantee stamp, while the more recently issued Paris mint products bear the mark of the mint (a cornucopia) and the metal of which the medal is composed struck incuse on the edge. For those interested in issue quantities, age, and such things, this knowledge may be of value. But if one is interested in artistic and historical medals for their value as works of art or mementoes offering record of historical interest, then there is no reason why modern examples cannot serve as well as any others.

Before concluding, a resume of my major points may be in order. First of all, this writer, as all of us, I'm sure, is unalterably opposed to restriking or any form of

reproduction undertaken with intent to misrepresent or defraud. As for the plethora of other types of restrikes, such as those of Hungary, we may question the motives or the lack of business sense involved here, but we cannot question the right of these governments to restrike their own coins. Probably no one, or at least very few, would complain if the United States mint were to strike a 1965- or 1966-dated proof set, yet this is exactly what Hungary is doing when she strikes proof condition coins of earlier years: she is producing specimen coins to meet collector demand. As for restriking regular issue silver and base metal coins, it must be realized that this is beneficial to Hungary, in that it brings in the ready cash so willingly offered by the collector and so important to any nation. Since Hungary is in business for Hungary, the whole thing makes a great deal of sense. These countries certainly make no secret of the fact that coins are re-struck, and as long as no guarantee exists, there is no real reason to complain when a mintage is exceeded or increased, regardless whether or not collectors have deluded themselves or been deluded by dealers to the contrary.

Britain's Royal Mint has come in for its share of criticism in this light, as have other mints which produce coins for other nations under contract. Sierra Leone and Greece are the most well known examples, but many other nations have ordered additional quantities of coins when supplies ran low due to collector interest. An announced mintage and a guaranteed mintage are two quite different things, and the former should not be taken for the latter. These mints are commercial producers of a product ordered by other countries, and when a further order is placed, it is filled. To fail to do so would be bad business, and to do so should not earn criticism from anyone.

Second, reproduction of medals and coins at a later time, particularly when there is a distinguishing factor such as proof surface or identifying mark, when done legally and openly, has as many merits as forbidding the same practice. I, for one, have many medals which I would not otherwise be able to own, and which I collect on the basis of their importance as works of medallic art. Others may strongly disagree with me on this point, and that is their right. On the other hand, no one disagrees if you buy a print of an old map, a reproduction of a famous painting, or a cast of a well known piece of sculpture. In fact, coins and medals are themselves works of sculpture.

The Ashanti tribe of West Africa has long been known for its use of gold dust as currency, and for its casting of counterweights (to weigh this gold) in many plant, animal, and human forms. Recently museum reproductions of these little bronze weights have become available through art galleries, where they are sold, rightfully, as works of primitive sculpture. But the Ashanti gold weights are traditionally highly collectable numismatic items, and our little museum reproduction becomes, in its own way, a restrike. I don't know about you, but I would and I will continue to exhibit him for what he is: an accurate reproduction of an otherwise unobtainable example of an area of numismatics in which I have great interest. Let us be careful before we criticize others for doing the same.

DON'T FORGET THE CONVENTION

O. N. A. Convention News ** May Show

The Granite Club, Kitchener, Ontario, Canada * May 26, 27, 28, 1967.

Waterloo Coin Society for the Second time will host an Ontario Numismatic Association Convention. As in 1962 at the Founding Convention this will be an election year.

In a short five years the O. N. A. has grown in stature and responsibility to the hobby. O. N. A. sponsored services are being used at nearly every meeting or coin

show held in Ontario. A few examples of these services are * Audio Visual Service * Judging guide system * Display Cases * Monthly Publication * Club organization assistance * Speakers Circuit * Library.

The O. N. A. has shown recognition to the advancement of numismatics by awarding an inscribed gold medal to "The O. N. A. Medalist of the Year". Major Sheldon S. Carroll gained this honour in 1966. Major Carroll will be the Banquet Speaker at this year's convention.

A well-rounded programme will please all collectors whether a beginner or an advanced numismatist : Special court of honour displays provided by the various banks : 42 cases of displays by the Waterloo Coin Society members : Nine competitive display categories : Fine Auction : Ladies Activities (includes a bingo) : Bourse dealers : delegates meeting : Speakers : and film and slide presentations.

A special commemorative medal has been struck in gold, gold-filled, sterling silver, and bronze. The new heraldic O. N. A. design will be on one side and the City of Waterloo Crest on the other.

With all these numismatic goodies awaiting you at this year's show it is easy to see why the collector will be king. A warm invitation to all is extended by O. N. A. President L. T. Smith, and W. C. S. President Mrs. Shirley English to attend. Plan your reservations by contacting Convention Chairman, Mr. J. Shaw, Box 33, Waterloo, Ontario, Canada.

Banquet:	Ticket and Admission	\$4.50
General Admission:		50 cents each day.



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O. N. A. CONVENTION TIME

Spring has sprung and what is more
It's convention time, and that's for sure!

It's time for wheeling, dealing, trading;

Time for hellos and merrymaking;

Time for competing and displaying;

Time for friends and integrating;

Time for wining and for dining;

Time for selling and for buying;

Time for learning and conveying;

Time for just numismatic-ating.

The Coin Society (Waterloo)

Is host to all the bally - hoo.

There are prizes, ribbons, trophies, too,

Just waiting to be won by you.

Greet old friends and meet the new;

Besides all this there's dinner, too.

The O. N. A. Convention's due!!!

Now, all we need is YOU.

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THE DEALER AND THE COLLECTOR

In many cases the coin dealer is the first friend of the coin collector and may be responsible for moulding the collecting habits of his new patron. Similarly, the occasional unscrupulous dealer can just as easily discourage the novice.

Those who are fortunate enough to live in a city possessing at least one coin dealer will come to evaluate his integrity quickly. The professional numismatist will give his knowledge willingly and freely to all who will listen. He will not only encourage the beginner but will assist him not only for his personal gain but for the joy he derives from his business. The beginner will depend on him not only for his honesty but for his eagerness to spread his wealth of knowledge.

However, the budding collector without a dealer in his locality is faced with a bigger problem. He must deal through the mail with various coin companies which issue special mailorder lists of numismatic items. The collector will come to depend upon certain dealers while unsatisfactory ones will be weeded out. Though the personalized touch of the local dealer is lost, it is very possible to establish numismatic friendships through the mail. The mail-order dealer will value the patronage of a serious and friendly collector. As references are, or credit is, established, the dealer will gladly send coins on approval for a certain length of time. Items which are not desired may be returned with the money for the remainder. All remittances should be sent by safe means such as a personal cheque (including exchange!), a money-order, or a bank draft. Dealers usually outline conditions of sale in their lists.

Mail auctions sales are, at this point, too premature for the novice. He should leave them alone until he can readily judge prices.

Remember, the coin dealer can be a good friend.

EDITOR'S NOTE: This is an extract from the Hamilton Coin Club's April, 1967 bulletin.

NEW MEMBERS

Applications published in the April issue of the Ontario Numismatist have now been accepted. The following application has been received. If no written objection is received, its acceptance will be acknowledged in the June issue of the Ontario Numismatist.

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CLUB NEWS

BRANTFORD COIN CLUB had a good turnout of members and guests to their March 19th meeting. Guest speaker for the evening was Mr. Elliot Moses who illustrated his topic with Indian Hand-craft items. These included wampum, a drum, arrowheads, tomahawks, beadwork and other items of Indian life.

HAMILTON COIN CLUB March meeting was attended by 15 members and 5 guests. The programme theme was "How Coins are Made" and was presented by Bruce Brace using a series of transparencies. Among the topics illustrated and discussed were:
1. The production of dies by hand and by using the Janvier machine; 2. Coining methods from blank to finished coin; 3. types of coin edges; and 4. the nature of U. S. clad coinage. The "Member's Bourse" attracted much attention and was a scene of much activity.

HURONIA NUMISMATIC ASSOCIATION reports a very successful Sixth Annual Banquet which was their Centennial Show. The after-dinner guest speaker was Mr. Frank Millard whose subject was "Primitive Money", which was illustrated from his personal collection. Mr. Millard stated that money was only as good as the faith other people had in it and that the form the money comes in must suit the needs of the people using it. There are four "D's" in money: It must be desirable, distinguishable, divisible, and durable. Thirty-seven displays were entered into competition and the winners are as follows: Canadian Decimal - 1. Steve Wiggins, Barrie; 2. Ron Bennett, Richmond Hill; 3. Wayne Thompson, Toronto. U. S. A. Decimal - 1. Wayne Thompson, Toronto; 2. Bob Scruton, Barrie; 3. Ricky Morse, Toronto. Miscellaneous - 1. Noreen Howcroft, Barrie; 2. Ricky Morse, Toronto; 3. Walter Schultz, Barrie. Junior - 1. Peter Bowdery, Richmond Hill; 2. Steven Howcroft, Barrie; 3. Greg Kline, Barrie. Paper - 1. Ricky Morse, Toronto; 2. Barry Prophet, Camp Petawawa; 3. Bob Scruton, Barrie. Foreign - 1. Lea Ayoub, Toronto; 2. Ron Faber, Barrie. Tokens and Medals - 1. Wayne Thompson, Toronto; 3. Lea Ayoub, Toronto. Best of Show - Steve Wiggins, Barrie. Best of Show (Non-member) - Peter Bowdery, Richmond Hill, a Junior.

INGERSOLL COIN CLUB's March meeting took the opportunity of a Dutch Auction ... proceeds of which went to the support of the Kiwanis fund for the crippled children. Although the attendance was only 17, they raised over \$25. Mr. "Pete" Clements, Kiwanis representative, thanked the club and told those present of their part in helping the crippled children. The programme featured a talk by Alan Macnab entitled "Soldiers for Canada." This told of medals issued, covering a period from 1608 when Champlain founded Quebec up until World War II. Medals were passed around illustrating the many battles, also rifle association medals and campaign medals issued to Canadian Troops.

CAKVILLE COIN CLUB Members were privileged to hear Mr. Bruce Brace at the March meeting. Before presenting his speech, Mr. Brace commented on the present state of the hobby, at which time he stated that with most of the speculators out of the field, more rare collector's items are again available and those people who are still attending meetings are those truly interested in the collecting aspect. Mr. Brace then proceeded with his presentation on Roman Coins, using the assistance of slides to illustrate the beauty and artistic achievement attained by the Romans.

ST. CATHARINES COIN CLUB had over 100 people in attendance at their March 19th meeting to hear special speaker, Mr. Lloyd T. Smith, London, Ont. (President of the Ontario Numismatic Association). Mr. Smith discussed the judging of displays both for the exhibitors benefit and for those who might be called on in the future as judges. Pat Lambert thanked the speaker and Lloyd Dorsey, President, presented him with a pure silver City of St. Catharines medallion. Display winners of the evening were: Senior - 1. Pat Lambert, 2. Victor Snell, 3. Betty Lou Bellows. Junior: 1. Cathie Dorsey, 2. Dean Fennell, 3. John Sawatzky.

ST. THOMAS NUMISMATIC ASSOCIATION are planning their Annual Banquet for May 20th. The April meeting will centre around last minute preparations.

SARNIA NUMISMATIC SOCIETY had 31 members attend the March meeting. Feature of the meeting was a quiz conducted by Norman Scott based on the "Canadian Voyageur Dollar" (an O. N. A. Audio-Visual viewed by the members in February). John Gould received a roll of 1967 cents for winning the quiz. After much discussion, the members decided that they should hold a banquet on their regular June meeting night. More details later.

THISTLETOWN COIN CLUB highlighted their February 14th meeting with an O. N. A. Audio-Visual Quiz, "Know Your Coins," Part II. Four Bourse dealers volunteered as the panel and the results were very stimulating. Ron Scovell conducted a lively auction. T. C. C. will celebrate their 3rd Birthday, March 14th, with Mr. James Charlton as guest speaker. **HPAPPY BIRTHDAY!!!**

TORONTO COIN CLUB February meeting was highlighted with a scholarly talk by Dr. Fenigstein, "Coinage of the Baltic States", with particular emphasis on that of Lithuania and Latvia. In his introduction, Dr. Fenigstein alluded to Canada's Centenary, reminding members that last year was Poland's millenary. Interesting exhibits were: Canadian medals by Mr. Hamilton Craig; Lithuanian and Latvian coins by Mr. Morkunas; and Presidential medals of the Victoria Numismatic Society by Mr. James Reid.

WOODSTOCK COIN CLUB had thirty-five members present to their March meeting. President A. Cole, conducted a Centennial Quiz to the delight of everyone present. Mr. Cole also passed along some helpful hints for those exhibiting at their April 1st. show.

WATERLOO COIN SOCIETY announces a change of meeting place ... the Community Services Board building, 40 Albert Street (Old Library) Waterloo. The March meeting featured the O. N. A. Audio-Visual, "The Voyageur Dollar." After the programme a White Elephant auction was enjoyed by all with some excellent bargains. Display winners of the month were: 1. and 2. - Wilf Erb, with Mint Errors and Year Set of 1967 coins. 3. Floyd Roadhouse with Centennial dollar bills. Mr. Albert Fuller also entered something quite different in displays ... Casino medals.

COMING EVENTS

If your club is planning some special event, please get your notices to the editor at least two months in advance. In this way we can help you advertise.

- May 20 ST. THOMAS NUMISMATIC ASSOCIATION 4th Annual Banquet and Auction, Grace United Church Parish Hall, Balaclava Street, St. Thomas, Ontario. Open: 10:00 a. m. Banquet Tickets: \$2.50. General Admission 25 cents. 75-lot Auction at 8:00 p. m. Ten Bourse Dealers. Eleven categories for competitive displays. Chairman: Mr. Derek Farthing, P. O. Box 187, St. Thomas, Ont.
- May 26, 27, 28 ONTARIO NUMISMATIC ASSOCIATION 5th Annual Convention, Granite Club, 69 Agnes Street, Kitchener, Ont. Host: Waterloo Coin Society. General Chairman - John Shaw, P. O. Box 41, Waterloo, Ontario. Bourse Chairman - Philip Mueller, 239 Lancaster Street West, Kitchener Ont.
- Aug. 31 - Sept. 2 CANADIAN NUMISMATIC ASSOCIATION 14th Annual Convention, Chateau Laurier Hotel, Ottawa, Ontario.

- Sept. 3 LONDON NUMISMATIC SOCIETY Annual Banquet and Show, London Hotel, London, Ontario.
- Oct. 14 BAY OF QUINTE NUMISMATIC ASSOCIATION (Quinpex Jamboree), combination Coins, Stamps and Mineral Clubs, Belleville Armouries, Belleville; Ontario. Open from 10:00 a. m. to 10:00 p. m. Displays, Auction, Bourse.

LIBRARY DONATIONS

Once again, Major Sheldon S. Carroll, Curator to the Bank of Canada Numismatic collection, has donated a very interesting booklet to the O. N. A. Library, "Pre-Confederation Currency in Canada." This is the Annual Report of the Bank of Canada for the year 1966 contained in an eight page coloured section dealing with Pre-Confederation Currency in Canada. One copy of the booklet will be sent to any person who addresses

One copy of the booklet will be sent to any person who addresses his request to the Secretary, Bank of Canada, Ottawa 4, Ontario, Canada. The booklet is not for sale, and bulk requests cannot be accepted. The booklet is available in both French and English.

COIN GRADING

by Bill English

The following article is the text of the introduction to an Audio-Visual slide presentation that was prepared and shown at some local coin clubs in the Kitchener-Waterloo area:

Collectors, yes even the advanced ones set up a special grading for coins that are scarce or rare. This is one fallacy that you must stay away from if you hope to enjoy the hobby.

Coins wear gradually from use or circulation as we call it. Therefore to specify a grade and have all coins in that grade with exactly the same wear is nearly impossible. What I am trying to say is that a band of variation occurs as the coin is used. The terms applied the grades of coins are as follows: Brilliant Uncirculated; Uncirculated; Extremely Fine; Very Fine; Fine; Very Good; and Poor or Fair. The condition of coins are important to you the collector for more than cost purposes. In fact condition is the way to describe a coin when someone else cannot see the coin. It is also a guide to the possible grade of collectible specimens that you are trying to assemble.

Now that we know all the grades other problems arise. Due to the gradual wear suppose the coin grades between VG and Fine, (VG stands for very good which is the poorest collectible type of the grade scale); this will tell the collector that it is a little better than VG but not quite Fine. The other variation could be a difference in obverse and reverse grading. The obverse is the face side and the reverse is just as the name implies. The coin could be called VG/Fine with the obverse description always first. This type of grading explains the coin and unfortunately if you are buying it the price is usually based on the higher grade. This is not the rule of thumb as many dealers will properly grade and price it accordingly. Decide on the grade of material that you would like to collect and try to get the best specimens you can find or afford.

How many collectors will give a coin one grade if they are buying it and another if they are selling? Do you think this is right? Definitely not, because they fool no one but themselves. I have gone over some of the coins that I put away when I first started to collect and my VG's are only Good and my VF's are only Fine. This was not done

intentionally as the coins were found in circulation, but grading ignorance and the tendency to up grade my own coins was the reason.

The uncirculated coin is the only grade that is just as the word implies. A coin is either uncirculated or it is from circulation. This does not mean that an uncirculated coin cannot have bag abrasions, or a flaw caused at the mint, or even an edge bump on it. In other words it has been struck at the mint, sent to a bank in bags to be rolled, and then issued to someone who has put it away. It has never been in circulation, with a proviso---provided it has not been mishandled along the way. I remember seeing a box of silver dollars that had been put away brand new, but the owner must have shook the box once a day to see if the coins rattled, because they were so badly scratched and dented that they were not even as desirable as a VG grade.

With the mint issuing coins in \$1,000.00 bags on silver and similarly large quantities on the coppers and nickels, a coin without some slight bag mark is hard to find.

Brilliant Uncirculated means that the coin is bright and shiny as it was when it was first made. As a coin, copper in particular, tones it is described by the % brilliance. Thus a copper coin with half of its lustre dulled by toning is 50% brilliant and so on up or down the scale.

Uncirculated - no wear (specify scratches, corrosion, edge bump, etc.)

Extremely Fine - Slight wear on the high points and fine circulation scratches in the field (field is flat surface around design). As the coin continues to wear, it drops to the lower grades.

Armed with the above information and a magnifying glass we should all, with a little experience, be able to grade coins. It is not quite this simple. Experience and knowledge of specific coins and issues also have a bearing on the grading of certain specimens. Some of the early tokens were struck poorly to begin with so the best grade even when new might only be fine. The Victoria coins had a tendency to be slightly concave or convex and one side of the coin could be worn smooth and the other side FVF. Newfoundland half dollars and the Canadian large cents around 1900 wore on the reverse side for this reason. Another more recent example was the 1937 dime with a very small and poorly struck date. There are many more examples of these types which affect the grading of coins which you, the collector can learn of from experience and study.

Coin grading books are on the market for Canadian and American coins. If you are in doubt, ask a fellow collector or a dealer, and profit by their experience.

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O. N. A. NOMINATIONS REPORT FOR 1967

Mr. Edward Stahley, Chairman of the Nominations and Election Committee for the Ontario Numismatic Association reports that nominations have been received for all offices for the 1967-69 term and that all offices have been filled by acclamation. There will therefore be no election. Our sincere thanks to Mr. Stahley for serving the O. N. A. in this capacity.

ELECTED OFFICERS FOR THE 1967-69 TERM

President	- Mr. William English
1st. Vice-president	- Mr. Alex Munro
2nd. Vice-president	- Mr. Walter Griggs
Secretary	- Mr. Keith Middleton
Treasurer	- Mr. Bruce H. Raszmann

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Area #7 - Mr. Charles Miller
Area #8 - Mr. Earl C. Grandmaison
Area #9 - Mr. John McKay-Clements
Area #10 - Mr. Charles B. Laister

NOTE - Area #2 has been divided, the western section now known as Area #10 to include the Brant, Norfolk area.

Officers will be installed at the General Meeting, May 27, 1967.

DISPLAYS TO HIGHLIGHT 1967 ONTARIO NUMISMATIC ASSOCIATION CONVENTION

Over one hundred cases of displays have been booked for the show to be held May 26, 27, 28, 1967 at the Granite Club, 69 Agnes Street, Kitchener, Ontario. The Central Coin Club of Toronto have reserved forty cases that their members plan to use. A special display set up made by Frank Uttley of the Waterloo Coin Society will hold forty-two displays. The free standing display will cover fifty feet and show half the displays on a horizontal plain and the other half vertically. Private displays have also been reserved and many more are expected by show time. This should be one of the largest number of exhibits ever shown at any Ontario Convention to date.

The combined bourse and exhibit area will cover nearly 9,000 square feet of floor area alone, all in one room. Dealers from the east coast to the mid-west have booked bourse tables. There are a few of the bourse tables still available, but no more than forty will be sold.

The nine exhibit categories which will be judged include * Canadian Coins * Centennial * Tokens * Canadian Currency * Topical * World Coins * Miscellaneous * and Junior. The first award winners will be judged to determine the winner of the Grand Award trophy. A separate "special" trophy will be an extra category only for exhibitors who have won a grand award at any local or national coin show. The Centennial Trophy was donated by the Kitchener Coin Club. The O. N. A. wish to thank them for their kind donation.

Displays and bourse are very important at any coin show but these are only a part of the numismatic pleasures prepared for the guests of this convention. Major Sheldon S. Carroll will be the guest speaker at the Saturday evening banquet. Major Carroll, a renowned numismatic scholar, is presently curator the numismatic collection of the Bank of Canada in Ottawa; the 1966 O. N. A. Medallist of the year; and the Founding President of the Canadian Numismatic Association. Please notify the Chairman of the Convention to reserve your banquet tickets as banquet seating is limited.

A two-session auction conducted by Jack Dietrich, Clinton, Ontario will contain a wide selection of material of all types that will appeal to every collector regardless of his collecting interests. A copy of the auction material can be obtained by writing to Box 28, Clinton, Ontario.

We cannot forget the ladies and all who have attended in the past have enjoyed the free bingo that will be held again this year. A special bus tour has also been planned

for those who tire of the shopping. The delicious food in this area is also enjoyed by all who attend. All coin clubs are invited to send a delegate. A Sunday luncheon, courtesy of the Scotia Bank, will follow the Delegates' meeting to be held on Sunday. Please notify the Chairman of the show who your club delegate will be, so that the necessary arrangements can be made.

Audio visual slide presentations, guest speakers, coin quiz and a special showing of "The Life of a Sculpture" (the story of Emmanuel Hahn) will also be included in the three-day event. A special commemorative medal in four metals will be struck to honour the event.

The Ontario Numismatic Association is indeed fortunate to have a hard working club like the Waterloo Coin Society as host for this their Fifth Annual Convention. Hats off to the complete executive for a job well done.

"" Don't miss out on all the numismatic fellowship. Plan to attend now ""

General Chairman: John Shaw, Box 33, Waterloo, Ontario, will make arrangements for your visit to the show.

Bill English,
Publicity Chairman,
O. N. A.

1967 COMPETITIVE EXHIBIT CATEGORIES

O N T A R I O N U M I S M A T I C A S S O C I A T I O N

FIFTH ANNUAL CONVENTION - MAY 26, 27, 28, 1967

Granite Club, 69 Agnes Street, Kitchener, Ontario.

1. JUNIOR - Includes all numismatic material, entered by a junior collector under 18 years of age.
2. CANADIAN COINS - Decimal coins of Canada, Newfoundland, New Brunswick, and Nova Scotia.
3. CENTENNIAL - All Canadiana relating to 1867 or 1967 with a Centennial theme.
4. TOKENS - All tokens used as a trading medium.
5. CANADIAN CURRENCY - All official Canadian paper money.
6. TOPICAL - A common theme - (animals, buildings, trees, etc.)
7. WORLD CURRENCY - Official foreign paper money.
8. WORLD COINS - Coins of the world.
9. MISCELLANEOUS - All material that is not specified in other categories.
10. GRAND AWARD - Determined by judging all displays winning a First in categories 1 to 9.
11. SPECIAL - For exhibitors who have won a grand at any local or national coin show.

NOTE: The Display Chairman's decision as to category will be final. Displays will be judged according to the display rules. Please read these rules carefully and exhibit by these standards. All displays will be numbered so the judges will not know the names of the exhibitors.

Ontario Numismatic Association cases and locks will be available. Inside measurements: $28\frac{1}{4}$ inches long, $16\frac{1}{4}$ inches wide, $1\frac{7}{8}$ inches deep.

Trophy winners will be determined by highest average points in each respective category. Ribbons will be awarded to all winning displays for First, Second and Third positions.

Beautiful Awards Many Categories Good Luck to ALL

YOU'RE ALL INVITED

to the

FIFTH ANNUAL ONTARIO NUMISMATIC CONVENTION

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ONTARIO NUMISMATIC ASSOCIATION MEDALLIST OF THE YEAR

Mr. James E. Charlton

For outstanding contributions to Canadian numismatics in Ontario and the world, a man who has long deserved recognition -- Jim Charlton, as we all know him, has done more in the advancement of the present day hobby than any other Canadian. Although Ontario residents are eligible under the O. N. A. rules, Mr. Charlton would be deserving even if the field was open to any contributor.

His many contributions include the "Standard Cat logue of Canadian Coins, Tokens, and Paper Money," -- the collectors' Bible; speaking engagements at club meetings and banquets; exhibiting displays; and imparting knowledge to all who inquire. As a dealer, Jim is held in the highest esteem by all who know him.

A solid gold medal, suitably inscribed, has been presented to James E. Charlton, Medallist of the Ontario Numismatic Association for 1967.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Another term of office has produced new milestones in our Association. This is your Association, and we need the help of every member to make it grow and prosper. The firm foundation formed by our Founding President, R. R. Rekofski, and built on by our Fast President L. T. Smith, is now ready for further solid expansion. Many willing hands will make the task enjoyable to all.

To make your Association grow to new heights, we ask you to assist by being active members; participate in the services available; attend club meetings; submit displays; and get one new member this year.

This is your Association -- We need you to help you. Let us know how we can best help.

Bill English

President.

NEW MEMBERS

Applications published in the May issue of the Ontario Numismatist have now been accepted. The following applications have been received. If no written objections are received, their acceptance will be acknowledged in the July issue of the Ontario Numismatist.

- 583. R. N. Voaden, 26 Blain Place, St. Catharines, Ont.
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- 595. Walter Huska, 1 Fitzgerald St., St. Catharines, Ont.

HONORARY LIFE MEMBER - FRED BOWMAN, LACHINE, QUEBEC

The Ontario Numismatic Association, in order to give recognition to a great numismatic scholar and writer, presented Fred Bowman with an Honorary Life Membership. A special plaque, with the O. N. A. crest and suitably inscribed, was presented to Mr. Bowman at the Fifth Annual Convention Banquet, May 27, 1967.

EX LIBRIS O. N. A.

Hazel Munro - Librarian

Surely one of the most rewarding positions on the O. N. A. Executive is that of Librarian, for no other office carries with it so many fringe benefits for so little effort. However, up to now the Library seems to have been something of a "Cinderella of the Services," and is little used. Perhaps one of the reasons is that members are not aware of the variety of books available, or may not know that they are available on request. Since the mountain has not come to Mohammed, Mohammed will have to go to the mountain, and starting this month, I plan to publish excerpts from the books on the Library shelves.

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The ONTARIO NUMISMATIST is published monthly by the Ontario Numismatic Association. The publication may be obtained with memberships of one of the following categories: Regular members -- \$2 yearly; Juniors -- \$1 yearly (up to 18 years of age); Husband and Wife (One journal -- \$3 yearly; Club -- \$10 yearly. Special O. N. A. Sterling Silver Lapel Pins (screw back or pin back only \$2.50).

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It is rather hard to know where to begin, since the material ranges over many fields. For example there is an austere-looking book on Ancient Greek coins standing rather stiffly away from a paperback on contemporary grading. On either side are books on British and Commonwealth Coinage, books on hoards, on silver coins and copper, on paper currency, and on miscellaneous subjects related to numismatics. There is even a book on Counterfeiting. (No, not on how to!!) However, just to be in the Confederation swim, I'd like to quote from the Bank of Canada's booklet "Pre-Confederation Currency in Canada", kindly donated by the Curator of the Numismatic Collection, Major Sheldon S. Carroll. It is unfortunate that the illustrations (in colour) cannot be reproduced, but that is where the Library Service comes in, and the booklet will be mailed out to any member who is willing to pay the postage both ways.

From Pre-Confederation Currency in Canada:-

"As we celebrate the centenary of Confederation it is interesting to recall that the beginning of Canada's currency predated Confederation by nearly two hundred years. On this and the following pages examples of this early currency are illustrated. They have been selected from the Bank of Canada's numismatic collection.

The card money shown on this page has a dramatic history. In the early days of New France it was the practice to send out a supply of coins on the first ship in the Spring to be used in paying the troops and to purchase furs and other raw products. When the supply ship returned to France in the fall it took with it most of the coins to pay taxes and purchase manufactured goods for the colony. This resulted in a scarcity of coins every winter, and caused considerable inconvenience. Finally, in 1685 the Intendant, Jacques de Meulles, decided to introduce an emergency issue of paper money. As there were no printing presses and no supply of suitable paper available the notes were handwritten on the backs of playing cards. At the end of the year the notes were redeemed in full. In subsequent years further issues were made. The first five issues were made on playing cards. Their retention after the redemption date was punishable by death and no specimens of this playing card currency have survived. Later issues were made on plain white cardboard and a few of these can be found today in museum collection. The one illustrated here is on plain white cardboard and was issued in 1735.

Card money was supplemented by "ordonnances" or treasury notes issued by the Governor at Quebec. After the Treaty of Paris, in 1763 the outstanding issues of card money and ordonnances were not redeemed. This created a distrust of paper money which lasted for many years.

For over 60 years after the founding of Quebec the inhabitants of New France used ordinary French coins. In 1670 Louis XIV issued the first coins specifically designed for use in Canada. These were silver coins in the denominations of 5 sols and 15 sols. In 1721 copper coins were produced for colonial use and in 1738 small coins made of billon (an alloy of copper and silver) were introduced into French Canada.

The War of 1812-14 was financed by the issue of Army Bills from the headquarters of the British Army at Quebec. At the end of the war these bills were redeemed in full. This restored trust in paper money and paved the way for the first Canadian banks which appeared on the scene a few years later.

From 1763 to 1867 almost nothing was done to provide an official coinage for the British Colonies in North America which now make up Canada. In the first half of the 19th century coins of small denomination were in very short supply and several banks were granted authority to issue penny and halfpenny tokens. These were the Bank of Montreal, The Quebec Bank, The City Bank, and La Banque du Peuple in Lower Canada and the Bank of Canada in what is now Ontario.

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A number of merchants in Upper and Lower Canada also issued tokens to increase the supply of small change. Their tokens were frequently lighter in weight than the bank tokens. Most of the merchants' tokens were for a penny or a halfpenny but one firm, Lesslie & Sons, issued a large two penny piece, the only coins or token of this denomination ever issued in Canada.

During the Century before Confederation the supply of homemade and imported coins and tokens was supplemented by foreign coins; this greatly complicated business transactions. During the early part of the 19th century the commonest silver coins in circulation were the Spanish dollars, which were minted in huge quantities from the rich silver mines of Mexico and South America, and the United States half dollar.

Coins from Britain, France, Portugal and almost every other European country added to the monetary confusion that plagued Canadians before Confederation. Our forefathers had to be familiar not only with pounds, shillings, and pence, and dollars and cents but also with francs, ecus, pistareens, ducats, guilders and many other coins with romantic sounding names.

In the Atlantic Provinces a shortage of coins also resulted in a number of issues of merchants' tokens. The governments of Nova Scotia and New Brunswick issued penny and halfpenny tokens during the 1830's, 40's, and 50's. Prince Edward Island imported light weight tokens bearing such patriotic slogans as "Success to the Fisheries" and "Speed the Plough." Newfoundland too, had its early merchants' tokens.

The Spanish dollar circulated freely in Prince Edward Island. As it was rated higher in Halifax than in Charlottetown the supply of these coins tended to flow out of the Island. To correct this situation Governor Smith in 1813 had the centre punched out of 1,000 of these coins so that they would not be accepted outside the Island. The outside ring was to circulate at 5 shillings and the centre "plug" at 1 shilling.

There were times when the supply of foreign coins, bank tokens and merchants' tokens was so inadequate that almost any circular piece of metal was acceptable as a coin. One device resorted to by some ingenious people was to remove the shanks from the backs of military buttons, flatten the buttons out and put them into circulation where they were more readily accepted as halfpennies.

The Hudson's Bay Company and the North-West Company issued tokens for use in their trading posts in the far north and the far west. The unit of trade was one prime beaver skin and all other furs and trade goods were valued according to this unit.

The discovery of gold in British Columbia prompted Governor Douglas to set up a mint at New Westminster and strike \$10 and \$20 gold pieces in 1862. As the plan did not have Imperial approval it came to a sudden end and very few coins were struck. The illustration is taken from a specimen in the museum of the Royal Mint, London.

In 1858 the Province of Canada abandoned the sterling system and the first decimal coins in the denominations of 1c, 5c, 10c, and 20c were issued. In 1870 when the first coins were issued for the Dominion of Canada, the 20c piece was replaced by a 25c coin and the 50c piece was added.

During the 19th century over a hundred note-issuing banks operated in Canada. After Confederation many banks disappeared through absorption and amalgamation and this greatly reduced the tremendous variety of notes in circulation. Since 1949 (when the note issuing power of the banks finally expired) only the Bank of Canada, which was established in 1934 by Act of Parliament, has had the authority to issue paper money. Today, 100 years after Confederation, Canadians are able to carry on their business with only one type of coin and one type of paper money."

To "read all 'abaht' it" - just send your request to Mrs. Hazel Munro, 3703 Kingston Road, Scarborough, Ont.

EDITORS NOTE - Mrs. Munro has suggested that a book review be placed in each month's publication. This is the first report (P. 45) which we hope will stimulate interest in your library.

AWARD WINNERS AT THE ONTARIO NUMISMATIC ASSOCIATION 5th CONVENTION

- Category #1 - Junior - Miss Sherry English (1st), James Boyen (2nd).
- Category #2 - Canadian - D. Wark; Florida (st), E. Jephson, Owen Sound (2nd), Mrs. K. Millard, Woodstock (3rd).
- Category #3 - Centennial - Don Flick; Oakville (1st), Allan McNab, Ingersoll (2nd), Lee Ayoub, Toronto (3rd).
- Category #4 - Tokens - W. Thompson (1st), Ed Stahley, Kitchener (2nd), John Shaw, Kitchener (3rd).
- Category #5 - Canadian Currency - John Regitko, Toronto (1st), Gordon Gray, Thamesford (2nd), Vince Doran, Toronto (3rd).
- Category #6 - Topical - Lloyd D. Smith, London (1st), Wayne Thompson (2nd), Albert Fuller, Kitchener (3rd).
- Category #7 - World Currency - Lavinia Thompson, Toronto (1st), Albert Fullet (2nd), Michael Gray (3rd).
- Category #8 - World Coins - Mrs. Goldie Wark (1st), Lloyd Hottot, Niagara (2nd), Lee Ayoub (3rd).
- Category #9 - Miscellaneous - Percy Elgie, Thamesford (1st), Ross Irwin, Guelph (2nd), Wilf Erb, Kitchener (3rd)
- GRAND AWARD - Mr. Don Flick of Oakville for his Centennial Display
- SPECIAL - Mr. John McKay-Clements, Hailybury (1st), Reamus Holtman, Toronto (2nd) Del Curtis, Annon (3rd)
- ED STAHLEY AWARD - Albert Fuller
- ALBERT FULLER AWARD - John English

CLUB NEWS

BRANTFORD COIN CLUB - meets Second Sunday, 7:00 p. m., Hotel Kirby, Brantford

Mr. Lloyd Hoggarth presented a coloured movie with taped background music on his trip to South Africa. This proved to be interesting and informative. Walter Griggs announced that the Centennial Medals, which are excellent souvenirs have arrived, and are available.

CENTRAL COIN CLUB - Meets every Monday evening at the Central Y. M. C. A., Toronto

Meetings in April heard Mr. Fred Jewett speak on the "Numismatic Library in the Home and at the Coin Club." Jim Charlton spoke on present-day market conditions and the type of coins being collected; also "Odd and Curious Money." At another meeting Mrs. Louise Graham spoke on "The Dealer and the Coin Collector." "The Feast of St. George" was the feature of a display and talk delivered by Mrs. Winnifred Mather.

Reports for the first two May meetings tell that Mr. John Curtis spoke on "Love Tokens" at the first meeting and the second meeting, and the second meeting heard Alex Munro for a series of slides and talk on "Necessity Money."

EDITORS NOTE - Other clubs who meet only once a month can take a lesson from the Central Coin Club. Programme Director, John Regitko is to be complimented for the wide variety of numismatic knowledge made available to the Toronto collectors.

HAMILTON COIN CLUB - Meets Second Sunday, 8:00 p. m., at Wentworth Arms Hotel, Hamilton.

Five displays were set up for the April meeting covering Lincoln cents, fractional currency, Israel, mint sets, and English coins. Sid Philips presented his "Lighthearted Look at the Lincoln cent."

A proposal to arrange to visit other clubs did not meet with much success, due to problems with transportation and inconvenient meeting times, for a group to be able to attend.

INGERSOLL COIN CLUB - Third Monday each month.

A C. N. A. Audio Visual, production of the Vancouver Numismatic Society was enjoyed by 19 members and guests at the April meeting. Alan McNab presented the C. N. A. a recorded tape to supplement the text of the presentation.

KENT COIN CLUB - Third Wednesday, 8:00 p. m. St. John's Parish Hall, Chatham.

Sandy Samways conducted a coin quiz which was enjoyed by all present at the April meeting. Two new directors, Jack Simpson and Dave Cregg were added to the Club Executive.

I was able to attend the May meeting of the Kent County Coin Club, and am happy to report that they have a very active club. The hospitality was wonderful.

LONDON NUMISMATIC SOCIETY - Meets First Tuesday, 7:45 p. m., London Labour Hall, London.

Badges and military insignia was the topic chosen by Mr. Wm. T. McHugh, which was enjoyed by the 37 members and guests present at the May meeting. The May bulletin also included two papers by Alex Sweeton on "Archaeology and Numismatics" and "The 1949 and 1964 Canadian Silver Dollars."

ST. CATHARINES COIN CLUB - Third Sunday each month

Several displays were entered at the April meeting with the following winning in the senior class: 1. Betty Lou Bellows 2. Catharine Oblinsky 3. Victor Snell Juniors winners were: Deborah Bellows, 2. Cathy Dorsey 3. John Sawatzky Jr.

Over 100 members and guests also enjoyed a 50-lot auction. Pat Lambert announced the City of St. Catharines Centennial Medallions are selling well.

ST. THOMAS NUMISMATIC ASSOCIATION - Meets second Tuesday each month, Grace United Church, St. Thomas.

The April meeting was a general trading, buying and selling meeting. Plans were underway for the Centennial coin which looks like it should have been a big success. The Club put a lot of work in the preparations for the show.

SARNIA NUMISMATIC SOCIETY - Meets First Wednesday each month - 8:00 p. m. Canada Trust Building.

Members and guests at the April meeting saw an O. N. A. Audio Visual presentation on Roman coins shown by Fred Robertson. Clarence McGee announced that there will be a coin show in Sarnia this year.

TORONTO COIN CLUB - Meets fourth Saturday, 2:00 p. m. - Royal York Hotel, Toronto

Mr. J. E. Charlton gave an interesting talk at the March meeting. A highlight of the meeting was a display of the original sketches (8" in diameter) by the late Elizabeth Wyn Wood of her Centennial designs for the 1967 coinage. A display of uncirculated decimal coins and Bahamian paper money were also shown. The Club's Centennial medals are still available in sterling silver and bronze.

WATERLOO COIN SOCIETY - Meets third Tuesday at 7:30 p. m. at Waterloo Community Services Board (Old Library) Waterloo

The April meeting heard Frank Uttley and Bill English explain how to make displays and the judging point system. With eight displays on hand each member and guest judged one display and learned there was more to judging than they thought.

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Many clubs will suspend the July and August meetings so check ahead if you plan to attend an out-of-town meeting.

COMING EVENTS

If your club is planning some special event, please get your notices to the editor at least two months in advance. In this way we can help you advertise.

- August 8 - 12 American Numismatic Association 76th Annual Convention, Americana Hotel, Miami Beach, Florida, U. S. A.
General Chairman - Sidney W. Smith, 2512 Biscayne Blvd., Miami, Florida 33137
- August 8 - Sept. 4 O. N. A. Coin Exhibit at Canadian National Exhibition, Toronto. 10:00 a. m. - 10:00 p. m. each day except Sundays - No admission charge.
General Chairman - Vince Doran, 606 Pape Avenue, Toronto
- Aug. 31 - Sept. 2 Canadian Numismatic Association Convention, Chateau Laurier, Ottawa, Ontario. Chairman: Sheldon S. Carroll. Contact Secretary Mrs. E. C. Grandmaison, 551 Broadview Avenue, Ottawa 13, Ontario
- August 23 London Numismatic Society 15th Annual Banquet - Hotel London. Chairman - Wm. N. Clarke, 167 Delaware Street, London, Ontario.
- August 23, 24 Central Coin Show, Westbury Hotel, Toronto. Sponsor: Central Coin Club, Central Y. M. C. A., 40 College Street, Toronto
- August 24 Norfolk Coin Club - Centennial Coin Show and Banquet. Banquet ticket \$2.50 General Admission 25 cents. Guest speaker - Bill English. Contact Mrs. Elsie Fick, Box 309, Simcoe, Ontario
- November 4 Transportation Ticket and Token Show. Central Y. M. C. A., Toronto Dealing with streetcar, bus, subway, bridge, etc. Contact John Regitko, 29 Spruce Street, Toronto 2, Ontario.

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THE HISTORY OF THE ONA-CNE COIN EXHIBITIONS

1964, 1965, 1966, 1967

by John Regitko Jr.

Three years ago, the Canadian National Exhibition's Management decided it was about time they incorporated an ARTS, CRAFTS AND HOBBIES SHOW as a major feature of the world's largest permanent exhibition, the yearly Canadian National Exhibition held in the Exhibition Grounds in Toronto, Ontario. They allotted 10,000 square feet of space in the northern portion of the General Exhibits Building to this venture. A prominent numismatist of Toronto was contacted by the CNE and he recommended that perhaps the best organization to undertake this venture that was expected to bring numismatics to upwards of one quarter of a million people would be the Ontario Numismatic Association, rather than any other Provincial or National group. Since this was a major undertaking on

on behalf of the coin clubs throughout Canada, and as a matter of fact throughout the world since many foreign visitors were expected, local organizations were ruled out. The Ontario Numismatic Association accepted and the work began on constructing the special security-tables that would house the many exhibits. Frank Uttley of Kitchener designed the tables and co-ordinated their construction. The many coin collectors that visited the Coin Booth must surely agree that Frank not only must have spent countless hours in drawing up the blue-prints for the somewhat complicated arrangement, but he designed tables that would be a great deterrent to even the most daring of individuals. These tables are unique in that they can be dismantled or assembled quite easily, and provide easy viewing of displays while at the same time providing maximum security and neatness in housing.

At first it was believed that only one section of the huge tables would be ready by the opening of the 1964 Exhibition since the carpenters were on strike. Although the strike was settled only 10 days prior to the opening and work had gotten way behind, through some sort of a miracle a second table was finished 2 days before opening. Needless to say, although Alex Munro of Scarborough and myself, as Co-Chairmen, were able to fill the first 24 display-slots on the first table without much trouble, considerable difficulty was expected in filling the second 24-case section on such short notice. However, true to form, members of the Ontario Numismatic Association and local coin clubs, when they heard of the plight, came rushing down with displays that were of excellent quality for the viewing of the general non-collecting public -- not too much information; neatness and eye-appeal; just the right ingredients. From all indications, the first ARTS, CRAFTS AND HOBBIES SHOW was a huge success and, according to official CNE estimates, over one quarter of a million people passed through the doors of the General Exhibits Building.

Again in 1965, the Ontario Numismatic Association was asked to participate. The total area for all hobbies was expanded by 20% to 12,000 square feet, with the Coin Exhibition taking up 100% more space, doubling the 1,000 square feet we were "cramped" into to an area 2,000 square feet in size, the second largest area for any hobby (the stamp clubs received more space but, from reports of the public and coin collectors, coins attracted more people by far as could be seen by the public clamoring three and four deep at times to look at the numismatic displays.

As in the first year, hundreds of people took the time to visit our Audio Visual Theatre to view films on how coins are minted at the Royal Canadian Mint ("The Money Minters") and how paper money is printed under the supervision of the Bank of Canada ("Money in your Pocket"). The films, although available from the Film Lending Libraries of the National Film Board of Canada at a fee, were loaned to us free-of-charge by the International Nickel Company and the Bank of Canada, Ottawa. Again, many numismatist volunteered to loan displays to us and also help man the booth so that the public could ask questions relating to coins. A map of Ontario showing the location and meeting place of every coin club, whether OMA member or not, was prominently displayed against one of the back-drops. Names and addresses of interested individuals were taken down and forwarded to the club so that the interested party could obtain additional information on the local coin club.

For the second year in a row, it was judged that the coin exhibits, under the supervision of Alex Munro as its Chairman and myself as the Assistant Chairman, outdrew all other exhibits.

The 1966 OMA-CNE Coin Exhibition saw me at its helm, while Vince Doran of Toronto, who had made himself a name in the affairs of the Central Coin Club and had considerable experience in helping organize the huge CENTRAL COIN SHOWS, stepped in as the Assistant Chairman. Alex Munro was, at that time, Regional Director of the OMA for the area in which the CNE was located, so the close relationship and hard work that Alex put into this show was not lost with his move up the ladder in the affairs of the OMA. An extra

effort was put on by the CNE's co-ordinator of the ARTS, CRAFTS AND HOBBIES SHOW by providing the Press (Radio, Television, Daily Newspapers, Weekly Tabloids, etc.) with publicity releases strictly on the Hobbies, over and above those released by the CNE's Head Office. Of course we were responsible for our own numismatic press releases for Coin World, Canada Coin News (now Coin, Stamp and Antique News), etc. One of the many articles on the Hobby Show published by the Press was the following from the Toronto Daily Star's Entertainment Section:

"CNE FEATURES COIN TO BUY A WIFE WITH: The Hobby Show of this year's CNE is located in the General Exhibits Building, taking up 12,000 square feet of the north side. More than 300 clubs and 5000 people are involved. Exhibits feature everything from coin and stamp collections, to slot car racing, model-trains, aircraft and boats, leather, metal and woodworking, rock collections, toy soldiers, rug hooking and even pigeons. At the time I visited it yesterday (opening day) the whole exhibit area still looked pretty tattered and makeshift; and some of the displays didn't show too much imagination in their arrangement. But there are more items that intrigued me, at least, per square foot than I could find almost anywhere else in the Exhibition.

"Take the coin collection, for instance; here you'll find hundreds of coins ranging from a Baluba Cross (used in the Congo's Katanga Province to buy a wife) to royal marriage medals and mint dies.

"A few steps away, you'll find a stamp collection valued at over \$35,000. Almost every description of stamp under the sun is on view.

"Not your cup of tea, perhaps? Well, then there's the thrill of watching some of Ontario's top model slot car racers whiz their cars at really fantastic speeds around an 80 ft. track.

"There's also a very interesting collection of kites, one modelled on an antique found in the Smithsonian Institute, Washington, D. C. And for the clock fancier, there's a fascinating display of antique clocks, one in which the works are made of wood.

"You could spend half a day just discovering the show's many delights."

It should be noted that no buying or selling of coins was allowed at any time at the Coin Booth. It was intended only for education purposes and slanted towards the non-collecting public, to get them interested in coin collecting.

It must be stated that without the co-operation of coin collectors throughout Ontario, no Show would have been successful, for it was the collector that agreed to make up an exhibit appealing to the non-collector; it was the collector that agreed to man the booth to answer the hundreds of questions put forth by the general public. As for the 1967 ONA-CNE Coin Exhibition, we again solicit your co-operation, for this venture must again be a success, for NO OTHER COIN SHOW PRESENTS OUR HOBBY TO SO MANY NON-COLLECTORS AS THE ONA-CNE COIN EXHIBITION. For it to be a failure on account of your non-support means that the hobby will suffer due to our failure to recruit new members -- won't you help???

On behalf of the Ontario Numismatic Association's Executive and Directors, I am pleased to announce the appointment of Vince Doran as the Chairman of the 1967 ONA-CNE COIN EXHIBITION. Full details on the acceptance of displays and volunteering to man the Booth will be published next month.

ONTARIO NUMISMATIC ASSOCIATION

COMPETITIVE EXHIBIT CATEGORIES

Members in good standing in any coin club may enter displays in the following categories. All displays will be eligible for all awards as outlined in the O. N. A. Point System.

1. CANADIAN - All Canadian coins and Provincial regal.
2. TOKENS - All types.
3. U. S. A. - Coins of U. S. A. and possessions.
4. WORLD COINS - Coins not included in any other classification.
5. TOPICAL - Numismatic material with a common theme.
6. WORLD CURRENCY - All paper money.
7. JUNIOR - Any numismatic display by a junior collector.
8. MISCELLANEOUS - Medals, Badges, Novelty displays, and any display not classified specifically.
9. GRAND AWARD - All winning category displays will be judged for this award as "The Best in the Entire Show".

NOTE: The Display Chairman's decision as to the category will be final. Exhibits will be judged by O. N. A. Point System. The judges' points sheet will be given to the exhibitor. Displays and judges will be numbered so that no names will be used.

O. N. A. Cases are available. Inside measurements are 28 $\frac{1}{4}$ inches long, 16 $\frac{1}{4}$ inches wide, 1 7/8 inches deep.

Trophy winners will be determined by highest average points in each respective category except where less than three exhibits are entered in any category, (See points system). Ribbons to all winning displays.

BEAUTIFUL AWARDS GOOD LUCK TO ALL MANY CATEGORIES

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COMPETITIVE EXHIBIT POINT SYSTEM RULES

- Category
- Display No.
- Judge Number

<u>Points Awarded</u>		<u>Maximum Points</u>	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Information	10	Research.
<input type="checkbox"/>		10	Imparting information.
<input type="checkbox"/>		10	Interest to viewers to encourage the reading of the information.
<input type="checkbox"/>	Eye Appeal	10	To encourage viewer to stop and examine display.
<input type="checkbox"/>	Neatness		Considering type or quantity of material. to best illustrate the display.
<input type="checkbox"/>	Originality	10	Arrangement of particular type of material on exhibit.
<input type="checkbox"/>	Condition	10	Considering best examples of particular material.
<input type="checkbox"/>	Rarity	10	Relative scarcity of series or individual pieces.
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To all competitive display entrants:

All displays will be judged according to the rules as shown. Please read carefully as they will affect the number of points awarded to your display. Trophies and ribbons will be given to all winning category displays. Ribbons will be given for second and third as well. Average point totals of all judges will determine winners in each category. The judges' decisions are final.

Special Note:

When less than three exhibitors are entered in one category, awards in the specific category will be based on points awarded by the judges, as follows:

When average judging points exceed	75	-	1st. Award
	60	-	2nd. Award
	50	-	3rd. Award

Members in good standing in any coin club are eligible for all awards.

Ontario Numismatic Display cases and locks will be available to house displays. The inside measurements are 28 $\frac{1}{4}$ inches long, 16 $\frac{1}{4}$ inches wide, 1 $\frac{7}{8}$ inches deep.



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LIFE MEMBERSHIP

ONTARIO NUMISMATIC ASSOCIATION

The Executive of the Ontario Numismatic Association has passed a motion that Life Memberships will be available.

Any Honorary or Regular member of the Association, who has been a member in good standing for two years or longer, shall be eligible to apply for Life Membership. The membership number given to a Life Member shall be preceded by the letters "LM".

Life Membership shall be entitled to all privileges of the Association. The membership dues for Life membership shall be \$50.00 payable in a lump sum at the time of application for life membership. The moneys accruing from Life Memberships shall be invested in trustee securities, and the interest derived therefrom shall be paid into the general funds of the Association.

When a Life Member becomes deceased, his equity in the Life Membership Fund may be transferred to the Association's general funds at the discretion of the Executive.

All applications will be held until the beginning of November, 1967. At that time "LM numbers" will be allotted by drawing the names received and post-marked on or before October 31, 1967. Life Membership commences January 1, 1968.

Life Membership dues are payable to the Ontario Numismatic Association, Box 33, Waterloo, Ontario.

O. N. A. CONVENTION REPORT

L. T. Smith - O. N. A. Publicity

NOTE: The names of the Display winners were listed in the June O. N. A. Numismatist, so they have been deleted from this report.

The recent 5th Annual Convention of the Ontario Numismatic Association held in Kitchener, Ont. and hosted by the Waterloo Coin Society, has been declared a great success by the more than 1,000 persons in attendance and particularly by the 135 who attended the sumptuous banquet dinner and the 45 who attended the Delegates Luncheon sponsored by the Scotia Bank.

Never before at any O. N. A. Convention has the

viewing public been treated to such a wide variety of excellent exhibits. The 82 different displays in 156 cases included almost every field of numismatic interest. Much credit goes to Mr. Frank Uttley for his 21 newly designed and constructed stand-up cases.

Highlights of the Banquet programme included an excellent talk by Major Sheldon S. Carroll, Curator of the Bank of Canada Numismatic Collection. He amused and enlightened a very attentive audience with several anecdotes about counterfeiters of renown in years gone by.

The highest honour of the Association, the Award of Merit, in the form of a suitably engraved gold medal, for an Ontario numismatist who has greatly contributed to the advancement of numismatics, was presented to Mr. James Charlton of Toronto. A committee headed by Major Sheldon Carroll and including two other numismatic stalwarts, Walter Holmes of London and Earl Grandmaison of Ottawa, recommended the choice of recipient for 1967 and received the approval of the O. N. A. Executive.

This year, the O. N. A. chose to make a special award to a non-resident of Ontario. A specially engraved O. N. A. plaque and the first Honorary Life Membership in the Association were presented to Mr. Fred Bowman of Montreal for his valuable contributions to the study and advancement of numismatics in Canada. The high esteem felt for Mr. Bowman was also expressed by the Waterloo Coin Society as they presented him with a gold medal.

As this was an election year for the Association, the retiring President, Lloyd T. Smith of London, had the pleasure of passing the gavel to the unanimously elected new President, William English of Kitchener. Other elected officers and directors were: Alex Munro, First Vice-president; Walter Griggs, Second Vice-president; Bruce H. Raszmann Treasurer; Keith Middleton, Secretary; Directors: Area 1, F. Howard Whitfield; Area 2, W. E. "Pat" Lambert; Area 6, John Regitko; Area 7, Charles Miller; Area 8, Earl C. Grandmaison; Area 9, John McKay-Clements; Area 10, Charles B. Laister.

Educational programs were much in evidence as Walter Griggs conducted a "Coin Quiz" and the film "Portrait of a Sculptor" was viewed several times. A new Audio-visual set, "Coins of the Bible," produced and narrated by the Rev. Lloyd D. Smith, B. A., B. D. and photographed by Lloyd T. Smith, was shown and then presented to the Association.

A bus tour and bingo were arranged for the ladies present and there were many free draws. The winner of 100 silver dollars was Donald Richard Leliberte of Stratford and of 1,967 new cents, Bruce Farquharson of Kitchener. An excellent two-session, well-attended auction was conducted by Mr. Jack Dietrich of Clinton. All in all, a fine convention.

NEW MEMBERS

Applications published in the June issue of the Ontario Numismatist have now been accepted. The following applications have been received. If no written objections are received, their acceptance will be acknowledged in the August issue of the Ontario Numismatist.

596. Percival J. Haines, 1279-4th Ave., East, Owen Sound, Ont.

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EX LIBRIS

It is a continual source of amazement to me that there are so many collectors in the numismatic field, and so few readers. By reading, I do not mean studying the price trend columns, but rather the history behind the coins, the reasons for their being struck, for the mint marks and the varieties, and even for the very metal that they are struck in. More than once I have overheard one dealer at a show ask his neighbour for information about a particular coin, and take that as gospel.

One of the most informative books in the O. N. A. Library is The Milled Coinage of England 1662-1946, by Spink and Son, and donated by them for our use. The following is a quotation from Pages 7 and 8, and the rest of the book can be borrowed for the asking!

"From various accounts it appears that the process of striking coins and medals by mechanical means originated in Italy. Ideas on the subject and early experiments, mainly associated with medals, appear to have come from various sources, but one of the first names to be mentioned in connection with the use of the screw press is that of Bramante (1444-1514), a relative of Raphael and an eminent architect and painter. Leonardo da Vinci (1452-1519) toward the end of his life devised a mechanical means of producing and striking blanks, probably during his assumed association with the Mint at Rome, in about 1514.

Benvenuto Cellini, who was appointed engraver at the Mint in Rome in 1529, was also closely associated with the screw method of coining, and in a treatise written in Florence in 1558 deals with the art of coining both by hammer and by screw. Though Cellini visited France in 1537, there is no apparent evidence that any of the new coining machinery was installed there at that time, though the matter was certainly discussed between the artist and Francis I of France.

Francis' son, Henry II, appears to have recalled these discussions when faced with reforming the French coinage as a protection against clipping and forgery. He caused to be obtained from an Augsburg jeweller various machines for striking coins. This machinery was set up in the grounds of the palace, and in 1552 proof coins were successfully struck.

From this installation the milled series of coins takes its title, since the necessary power required to drive the machinery was at first obtained by the use of a mill. It is worthy of note that the progressive monarch Henry of Navarre, afterwards Henry IV of France, caused a similar set of coining machinery to be set up at Pau in 1556.

The new process of coining reached England in the reign of Elizabeth, whose admin-

istration was similarly faced with a large quantity of base and clipped coins. Nestrell, who may well have been earlier employed at the French Mint, came to England, and was engaged at the Tower Mint in 1561. The new coining methods met with little favour from the Mint authorities, and the system of striking ceased to be used after 1572. The coins still exist in reasonably large numbers. Nestrell appears to have been hanged at Tyburn, in about 1578.

The next step appears to have been the appointment of Nicholas Briot (1579-1646) as Chief Engraver at the Royal Mint in 1633. He improved the mechanical method of striking coins, many examples of his work still existing. He also held the appointment of Master of the Mint in Scotland, and he is said to have retired to Oxford during the Civil War, at which place he died.

A further stage was reached with the arrival of Peter Blondeau from France in 1649, at the invitation of the Government. He also was met with considerable opposition from those already at the Mint, and this resulted in Warrants being issued to Blondeau and Ramage to prepare patterns of milled coins for the consideration of the Council. Blondeau's main improvements to the coining process appear to have been concerned with the marking of the edges of the coins with lettering or graining.

Though Blondeau's patterns were superior to those of the Englishman, Ramage, opposition became too strong and culminated in the resignation of Blondeau in 1656. He returned to France with a pension of £100.

The milled coins of Cromwell were, it is conjectured, struck on the machines left by Blondeau at the Tower Mint, and inexperienced operation is thought to account for the breaking of the obverse crown die.

At the Restoration Blondeau was invited back by Charles II, who confirmed his pension and appointed him Provost of the moneyers and engravers at the London Mint, which post he held for fourteen years. Hawkins gives the text of his agreement 'to furnish all mills, rollers, presses, and other instruments, to cut, flatten, make round, and size the pieces; the engines to mark the edges of the money with letters and grainings, the great presses for the coinage of monies, and all other tools and engines for the new way of coining.' Blondeau also engaged 'to discover his secrets in rounding pieces before they are seized, and in marking the edges of the monies.'

Though Charles II issued hammered coins for the first two years of his reign the mill process was now finally established, and after 1662 the issue of hammered coins ceased. They were finally called in during the reign of William III.

As will have been seen from the above short account of the history of milled coinage; the name has no reference to the marks on the edge of the coins, so often called milling, except in so far as the mill process made possible the use of flans of sufficient thickness to allow of the edge being marked with letters or graining. The title simply comes from the fact that the first power driven machinery for coinage purposes obtained its motive power from a mill, and wind, water and horse mills have all at one time or another been used to furnish the motive power required. The edge marks are more properly referred to as lettering or graining."

Librarian's Note: On May 19, 1663 Samuel Pepys in his famous diary wrote a long detailed description of his visit to the Mint and his observations of the "new method of making money." At one point he says "They mark the letters on the edges, which is kept as the great secret by Blondeau."

This book is not in the library, but Pepys' description of the mint operations of assaying and coining are well worth reading.

Hazel Munro,
Librarian.

MINT REPORT

The 1966 Mint Report has been released.
(1965 figures in brackets)

1 cent -	(304,441,082)	183,644,388
5 cents -	(34,876,019)	27,678,469
10 cents -	(56,965,392)	34,330,199
25 cents -	(44,708,809)	25,388,892
50 cents -	(12,629,974)	7,683,228
Silver dollars -	(10,763,569)	9,912,178
(F. L. Sets) -	(2,904,352)	672,514

There has not been any decision on the design of the 1968 coinage at this time.

THE 1967 O. N. A. - C. N. E. COIN EXHIBITION

August 13 through September 4

by

John Regitko Jr.

As announced in last month's Numismatist, Mr. Vince Doran of Toronto has been appointed as Chairman of the 1967 O. N. A. - C. N. E. Coin Exhibition, held yearly in conjunction with the Annual Canadian National Exhibition (C. N. E.). We all know that this is a major undertaking, which presents the hobby of coin collecting to more non-collectors than any other hobby show in Canada. YOU can help in a number of ways, in making this our BEST EVER OMA-CNE Coin Exhibition.

As in previous years, 48 cases of numismatic material will be housed in a specially constructed table. An appeal is hereby made for all members of the hobby to volunteer displays for this event. All displays will be insured for their full replacement value while on display and, in addition, security guards will be on hand around the clock to watch the special security tables. Displays should, of course, be eye-appealing and neat, and the information should be kept contained in a display, the more the public will learn, it has to be remembered that no one down there will spend a few hours reading all the information that is normally found at a regular coin club's annual show - the general public prefers to just glance at the coins and the heading. A certain dis-interest has been shown when too much information was contained in a display. It is important to note that all material must be kept inside the OMA display cases that we will provide, which have inside measurements of 28 $\frac{1}{2}$ " wide x 16 $\frac{1}{2}$ " deep x 1 7/8" high. Displays cannot be turned sideways (i. e. 16 $\frac{1}{2}$ " wide x 28 $\frac{1}{2}$ " deep) due to the construction of the tables.

As in past years, a suitably-engraved plaque will be presented to each exhibitor. Since all exhibits are non-competitive and since there can be no duplication of material because of the nature of the exhibition, all displays will be accepted "by invitation only." Please make known your desire to exhibit as soon as possible, stating what you wish to display, how many cases it would take, etc. Twenty-nine of the 48 available display cases have already been accounted for.

In addition to the 48 displays from coin collectors, a number of exhibits will also be shown from Banks.

Since a good quantity of attendants is required for the duration of the Exhibition, volunteers will be required. Please write and state when you can be available (date, times, etc.). Each volunteer attendant will wear a special ribbon identifying him as an attendant from the Ontario Numismatic Association and the ribbon may be kept by the attendant as a souvenir providing he spends at least 6 hours during the course of the

CNE manning the booth. In case you do not remember from last year exactly what is required of an Attendant, he should answer questions that may be put to him by passers-by regarding the origin or value of coins, refer interested people to a local coin club, and tell them of the benefits of joining the ONA. If any coin club in Ontario, or anywhere else for that matter, sends Vince Doran club application blanks, they will be given to anyone enquiring about a coin club in that specific area. If you are planning to attend, please let Vince know when you expect to be there to help "do your share" in manning the Booth.

Since the Audio Visuals, even though popular as they were, proved to be a great burden on the people that were required to run the films, requiring constant supervision, it has been decided to discontinue this phase of the Coin Exhibit at least for this year. It should, however, be of no consequence, since we believe we will have high quality displays on hand that will more than satisfy the people viewing them. Of course the success or failure of the Coin Exhibit depends on the general public's attitude towards the displays and the hobby in general. We are, however, assured of a reasonably large crowd, so in my estimation the final success or failure of the Coin Exhibit depends on YOU, the coin collector. For only YOU can volunteer displays that are appealing to the general non-collecting public; only YOU can help man the Booth and leave the impression with the non-collector that "the nicest people in the world are coin collectors"; only YOU can answer questions put forth and perhaps, because of your interest in his problems he will be converted to a coin collector; only YOU, as a volunteer attendant, can explain the workings of a coin club to him and persuade him to visit his local club with the view of finding out more about the hobby; it all depends on YOU to make this a success as, we have stated previously, NO OTHER COIN SHOW PRESENTS OUR HOBBY TO SO MANY NON-COLLECTORS AS THE CNE-ONA COIN EXHIBITION. For it to be a failure on account of your non-support, means that the hobby will suffer due to our failure to recruit new members to the fraternity.

Vince Doran, as the Show's Chairman, has a very difficult job ahead of him. Please help him all you can. Let him know of your desire to display, to man the booth, offer him suggestions, etc. He can be contacted at:

Vincent Doran, Chairman,
1967 ONA-CNE Coin Exhibition,
606 Pape Avenue,
Toronto 6, Ontario. (Telephone 465-8746)

Editor's Note: We would like every O. N. A. member to assist by helping to man the exhibit during their visit to the C. F. E. An hour or two would be appreciated. Thank you.

COMING EVENTS

Please send your Club's banquet or convention news to the O. N. A. Editor or Box 33, Waterloo, Ontario, at least two months in advance so we can help you publicize your event. (NOTE; From the last issue we need an extra month to correct all our mistakes. Sorry for any inconvenience due to our errors. Thank you for bearing with us until a new Editor is appointed.)

August 8 - 12 American Numismatic Association 76th Annual Convention, Americana Hotel, Miami Beach Florida, U. S. A.
General Chairman - Sidney W. Smith, 2512 Biscayne Blvd., Miami, Florida 33137

- August 18 - September 4 O. N. A. Coin Exhibit at Canadian National Exhibition, Toronto. 10:00 a. m. to 10:00 p. m. each day except Sundays - No admission charge. General Chairman - Vince Doran, 606 Pape Avenue, Toronto, Ont.
- Aug. 31 - Sept. 2 Canadian Numismatic Association Convention, Chateau Laurier, Ottawa, Ontario. Chairman: Sheldon S. Carroll. Contact Secretary Mrs. E. C. Grandmaison, 551 Broadview Avenue, Ottawa 13, Ontario.
- September 23 London Numismatic Society 16th Annual Banquet, Hotel London. Banquet ticket \$3.50. Guest Speaker: John Jay Pitman. Chairman Wm. N. Clarke, 167 Delaware St., London, Ontario.
- Sept. 23 and 24 Central Coin Show, Westbury Hotel, Toronto. The Toronto Coin Club and Oshawa Coin Club will hold their regular meetings. General Chairman: Mr. L. McNeil, Central Coin Club, Central Y. M. C. A., 40 College St., Toronto.
- September 24 Norfolk Coin Club Centennial Coin Show and Banquet. Banquet ticket \$2.50. General Admission 25 cents. Guest speaker - Bill English. Contact Mrs. Elsie Fick, Box 309, Simcoe, Ont.
- September 30 Owen Sound 7th Annual Show, St. Georges Parish Hall, 4th Avenue East, Owen Sound - Banquet and Guest Speaker. General Admission 25 cents.
- October 1 Kitchener Coin Club 4th Annual Coin Show, Walper Hotel, Kitchener, Ont. 10 a. m. to 6 p. m. Admission Free. Bourse - Mr. B. Weiss, 28 Locust Street, Kitchener, Ontario.
- October 1 Blue Water Centennial Coin Show. 10 a. m. to 6 p. m. Village Inn Motel. General Chairman - Clarence McGee.
- October 14 Bay of Quinte Numismatic Association (Quinplex Jamboree) Combination Coins, Stamps and Mineral Clubs. 10 a. m. to 10 p. m. Belleville Armouries, Belleville, Ont. Gwen Sager, Box 125, Belleville, Ont.
- Oct. 14 St. Catharines Coin Club Banquet, St. Barnabas Church, Queenston St., St. Catharines, Ont. Banquet ticket \$3.00
- November 4 Transportation Ticket and Token Show. Central Y. M. C. A., Toronto. Dealing with streetcar, bus, subway, bridge, etc. Contact John Regitko, 29 Spruce Street, Toronto 2, Ont.

CLUB NEWS

Most of the Coin clubs take a summer recess. We will underline the meeting date of those who have reported summer meetings.

Brantford Coin Club - Second Sunday, 7:00 p. m., Hotel Kirby, Brantford

The club taped the speech of Mr. Arthur Potts ahead of the meeting and then Mr. Potts answered all questions pertaining to his talk at its conclusion. The editor, Ernie Lightle called on members of the Club to submit articles for the monthly club publication.

Central Coin Club - Every Monday, Central Y. M. C. A., 40 College St., Toronto

A very interesting talk by Mr. Allen Gally of Sherritt-Gordon Mines Limited on visits to the Bombay and Lahore Mints of India will be published in the next months O. N. A. issue, due to space limitations. The following Chairmen were announced for the Central Coin Show

listed under coming events: Bourse - Vince Doran, Co-Display Chairmen - Wayne Thompson and Ricky Morse; Program - John Regitko; Special Activities, - Bob Shillingsworth.

Huronian Numismatic Association - Third Thursday, Loyal True Blue Hall, Barrie, Ont.

Arrangements for next year's Annual Coin Show has tentatively been set for the last Saturday in April, 1968. O. N. A. Judging rules and regulations will be used. The summer meetings will be informal with no business. Visitors are welcome.

Ingersoll Coin Club - Third Monday, Ingersoll and District Memorial Centre.

The members enjoyed a slide commentary "Waltzing Matilda Around the Pacific" by Mrs. Geo. Adamson. It covered a trip taken down the East coast of North America through the Panama Canal, then across the Pacific and back with many stops. Coins of all countries visited were discussed.

London Numismatic Society - First Tuesday, London Labour Hall, 133 Kent St., London, Ont.

Tonga coins were available at the last meeting. Don Wheeler spoke on "Protection of Home and Property While on Vacation". In the talk he outlined the following ways to discourage burglars:

- Use an automatic timer to turn lights and radio on and off
- Make sure that all locks fasten securely, especially those on the windows
- A pin and tumbler dead lock on doors affords the best protection
- Inform a neighbour of your destination and have police make periodic checks if you are going to be away for some time
- Make sure that you stop all deliveries (e. g. paper, mail, etc.) to your home while on vacation;
- Lock the garage.

In addition, Don brought a display of burglar alarms which could be installed in the average home. Anyone who took the time to look at the displays and talk to Don during the intermission was well rewarded for his efforts.

The August meeting will be the club's 200th -- "Congratulations"!

Niagara Falls Coin Club - Third Wednesday

A quote from the last bulletin received:

"Don't be just a 'comer'! Remember, we only get out of something what we are willing to put into it; therefore if you contribute something to the meeting by way of a display or some other item, a bit of news maybe, only then do you get the feeling that you really belong, and you'll find more meaning in membership, and the pleasure you get from your hobby will be greatly increased.

St. Catharines Coin Club - Third Sunday, Canadian Corps Hall, 17 Gale Cres., St. Catharines, Ont.

St. Catharines has really been packing them in. Over 100 at the April meeting and over eighty in May and June. Two members have received honoured positions in larger Numismatic Associations: Vic Snell, the new President elect of the C. N. A. and Pat Lambert, the new O. N. A. Regional director. A picnic is planned during the summer recess.

St. Thomas - Second Tuesday, Grace United Church, St. Thomas

A Dutch Auction is planned for the July meeting. August will be "visitation month" The meeting will be hosted by London Numismatic Society on August 1, at the London Labour Hall - A talk on Foreign coins is planned by Mr. W. Bud Measor.

Sarnia Numismatic Society - First Wednesday, Chalet Motel, Sarnia

As a Centennial project, display cases have been set up in the City Hall Foyer. Historical material will be put in these cases. The Banquet Committee for the October 1st. Show were named: Bourse - Carl Williamson and Norman Scott; Publicity - Phil Pratt;

Displays - Fred Hurley; Reception - Cora Posey and Bea Zachariah; Security - Fred Robinson; Raffle - Paul Card and Bill Crisp,

Tillsonburg Numismatic Society

A coin show is planned for October 29. We will announce the place and times as soon as they are available. The O. N. A. welcomes Tillsonburg as our newest club member.

Toronto Coin Club: Fourth Saturday, Royal York Hotel, Toronto

Club members received a copy of a list of numismatic books in the Central Reference Library, College Street. Mr. Craig presented the lists on behalf of Mr. A. E. Sutton, who was unable to attend. The club is trying to get an epidioscope. Ross Irwin spoke on Military medals at the June meeting. The September meeting will be held at the Westbury Hotel in conjunction with the Central Coin Club Show on the regular meeting date.

Waterloo Coin Society - Third Tuesday, Community Services Board, 40 Albert St.,
Waterloo, Ont.

A talk on "Counterfeit Money" - the "Racketeer Nickel" and how to detect both bills and coins was given by Bill English. Three new members were welcomed into the Club. A complete story on the O. N. A. Convention was listed in the club's bulletin. The competition on displays was excellent and only one first was taken by a club member.

Woodstock Coin Club: Third Thursday, Old St. Pauls Parish Hall, Woodstock, Ont.

Charles Laister gave a talk on the Old Van Sittart home. Charlie purchased the home for wrecking but he kept some of the items from the home, which he had on display. Members were asked to bring coins from the Mediterranean area to the next meeting.

Windsor Coin Club: Third Monday, Norton Palmer Hotel, Windsor, Ont.

Bill Dunford conducted a Quiz and used slides as well. Members agreed it was very informative. October 14, 15 will be the dates for the Fall Show. We will pass the complete information on when it is available. Detective Brannigan gave a talk on counterfeiting at the June meeting.

FOOD FOR THOUGHT

Club attendance and membership is one of the questions that was discussed at the Delegates Meeting during the O. N. A. Convention in Kitchener. Many things were discussed and two suggestions were:

1. A point system whereby the winner received a trophy at the year end.
(Attendance - new members and guests.)
2. A Coin Bingo.

The coin hobby has been riding on the top of a wave of interest both speculative and for the love of a hobby. We have lost most of the speculators in the past two years and now everyone is saying the hobby is back in the hands of the coin collectors. If this is so, we ask why aren't we getting more out to the club meetings. Are we expecting too much? What percentage of your club members are you getting out to a meeting? Are they bringing a guest?

Now let's look at the other side of the coin. What is the club doing to encourage new members? Are you planning some meetings on the basics, such as storing, handling, reference books, and how coins are actually made? Ask some of the newer members and you may find that unknowingly you have been giving only information that is too advanced and taking for granted that everyone knows the basics. Are your meetings basically auctions?

If we are to promote the hobby we must cater to the new collector as well as the advanced. Plan now to vary your programme. Encourage new member participation and let's be enthusiastic for we have a bright future in our fascinating hobby.



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PAT LAMBERT APPOINTED NEW EDITOR

We are pleased to announce that W. E. Pat Lambert has offered his services as the Editor of "The Ontario Numismatist". We know Pat will do a fine job in this position as he has always been very conscientious in all his undertakings.

As you know the Editor needs help from all collectors interested in numismatics. We urgently ask that everyone make it a project to submit an article on any phase of the hobby. In this way, we can all learn, and help to advance our interests on a much wider scale.

All Coin Clubs are requested to send copies of their bulletins and coming events directly to W. E. "Pat" Lambert, 57 Emmett Road, R. R. #4, St. Catharines, Ontario.

LIFE MEMBERSHIP

Applications for Life Memberships are being received by the Ontario Numismatic Association, Box 33, Waterloo, Ontario.

The Life Membership dues are \$50.00. Explanation and notes were printed in the July issue of our publication.

Life Membership numbers will be assigned, in November, from all eligible applicants received on or before October 31, 1967 (postmark). All applications received will then be given numbers, by a draw of names, starting with L. M. -1.

Life Memberships will commence January 1, 1968.

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In what year was the 3rd. series of Bank of Canada notes issued? (1954)

What does the term BR in Coin Catalogues stand for? (A. British, B. Brown, C. New Brunswick, D. Breton) (D. Breton)

SPEAKERS CIRCUIT SERVICE

Mrs. Ruth Mueller with the help of you, our members, will reactivate this very important service. Mrs. Mueller is presently preparing information on talks available to local clubs to supplement the Audio Visual Service. The Directors will be available in their areas to accept speakers.

We will publish further information on the use of this service as soon as it is available.

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"NUMISMATICS - and the HORSE"

by Hazel Munro

One of the most appealing aspects of coin collecting is the wide diversity of material available, both numismatically and economically, to collectors of all ages. This is particularly noticeable at the larger conventions where new categories have had to be added to accommodate the variety of coins, tokens and medals now being exhibited: for example, the so-called "topical" collection has now become a standard category at many shows. This type of collection is particularly suitable for catching a child's interest in numismatics, and a fine collection can be built up gradually from an inexpensive beginning. The choice of subject is wide, and the most popular include ships, churches, bridges, portraits and animals. For a young child, a few coins with horses on the reverse can bring rich rewards, and grow in time into a highly sophisticated collection, at the same time leading the child into the fascinating world of both numismatics and horses.

His imagination would be stirred by a charging quadriga on an ancient Greek coin, or by the story of Pegasus the graceful winged horse of the Muses who bore their hopes, inspirations and poetry up to the sky: or by the magnificent head of a horse on a coin of Carthage about 400 B. C. In seeking equine reverses he would become acquainted with such famous obverses as Athena, Herakles, Apollo, Arethusa and Zeus, all of whom appear on coins with a horse on the reverse.

There are many countries which portray horses on their modern coinage, and most of those coins are inexpensive, for example, Argentina and Ireland both have very fine and well designed horses on their coins, and many other countries show good examples, some complete with rider: included are Monaco, Norway, Italy, Spain, Germany, Lithuania,

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Great Britain, Bulgaria, Australia, Switzerland, Albania, Portugal, and others. Thus there is lots of scope for a child's imagination, and from the earliest crude coin with a static portrait of a horse to one of the most beautiful ever designed, Pistrucchi's horse of "St. George", his collection can encompass time and space.

Since much of our history is a chronicle of wars and conquests, it is not surprising that a great deal of our art, sculpture and literature feature the war-horse, and history would lose much of its appeal if the stirring deeds of hero and horse were omitted. Although time and distance have added the charm of adornment and exaggeration to many of the stories, it is nevertheless true that man was dependent for his very life on the courage and speed of his war-horse, and on the battlefield was completely helpless if his horse was killed under him - we are all familiar with the desperate cry - "A horse, a horse, my kingdom for a horse!"

Alexander of Macedon, himself a superb horseman, recognized the importance of well trained horses in warfare, and re-organized his army to include a separate cavalry unit. Our literature is studded with the heroic deeds of famous men and their horses, and often the horse gained as much glory as its master. Alexander's "Bucephalus", Napoleon's "Marengo", the Duke of Wellington's "Copenhagen", General Grant's "Jack", and Robert E. Lee's beloved "Traveler", (who faded from history as he slowly carried his master from the battlefield at Appomattox), will be remembered as long as their masters are remembered. Thousands of stories have been written around horses, and the thrill of Ben Hur's chariot race, the ride of Paul Revere, Dick Turpin on "Black Bess" (tho' it is said this story may have been in the form of an alibi for Turpin), the gentle story of "Black Beauty", the tragic "Charge of the Light Brigade", and the imaginative ruse of the Wooden Horse of Troy will live on to delight generations still to come.

Much of our economic progress is accelerated by war, and so with the breeding of the horse. It is believed that the foundation stock of the British Isles was built up by the far-reaching commerce of the ancient Phoenicians during their period of maritime supremacy several centuries B. C., when their chief item of barter was horses. Originally traded into Spain, through the following centuries they gradually trickled into Britain. During the Crusades horses were bred to carry the heavy armour of the knights, (since the Crusaders were dependent on sheer weight for bearing down on an enemy), and consequently they had to be very much heavier and stronger than ever before: Thus a heavy breed of horse was established and was the forerunner of the famous Clydesdale strain.

In peacetime, when "kighthood was supposedly in flower", the horse was an indispensable part of the Royal Games, and was treated accordingly: Unfortunately chivalry was a code of courtesy extended to knights of equal rank only, and while the royal horses flourished, the peasants often starved.

John Evelyn in an entry in his famous diary, dated December 17th, 1684, describes his visit to St. James' Park to see three Turkish stallions which had been imported to improve the British breed - he found them to be "delicate, beautiful, proportioned to admiration, spirited, proud, nimble and swift...."

Perhaps, though, the real aristocrats of the equine world are the great white Lippizan stallions of the Spanish Riding School in Vienna. The present strain had its beginnings in the middle of the 16th century when the Imperial stud was founded at Lipizzana, near Trieste. In 1735 a winter riding school was built in Vienna, and since that time with few interruptions, the horses have been schooled and exhibited there. Originally of Arab and Spanish stock, the foals are born black and do not become white

until they are almost four years old. Their exquisite movements demonstrate the intelligence, strength and beauty of the horse.

Throughout history the horse has been the friend and servant of man, has helped in his migrations over the face of the earth, and has been the bearer of good news or bad in times of stress. (Even the humble donkey has his day of glory). While one of the most comforting sounds in the world is the steady munching of a horse in his stall, to Roundhead and Cavalier alike, the most most fearful and chilling must have been the drumming of approaching hooves on the darkness of the King's Highway.

From its wild beginnings, the saga of the horse is a fascinating one, and is traced not only in song and story, but from early crude cave drawings, on through such works of art as the beautiful frieze on the wall of the Parthenon, and up to the present when the highly developed art of photography captures for us for a fleeting moment through the slow motion camera, the power, grace and beauty of the magnificent creature we call the horse.

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What illustrations appeared on the reverse of the 1937 issue of:

\$1 Note	(Western Prairie Sky)
\$2 Note	(Country Valley - Central Canada)
\$5 Note	(Northern Stream and Forest)
\$10 Note	(Rocky Mountain Peak)

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The likeness of who is on the 1935 \$20 bill?

(a. Duke of Gloucester,	b. Princess Elizabeth	(Princess Elizabeth)
c. Queen Mary)		

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What ship is on the reverse of the 1949 Silver Dollar?

(Matthew)

Who was it's Captain?

(John Cabot)

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What was the last year Newfoundland coins were minted?

(a. 1919	b. 1949	c. 1947	d. 1901	(1947)
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What is so unusual about the 1948 issue of Canadian coins other than a low mintage?

(The words Et. Ind. Imp. i. e. Emperor of India were dropped from the Inscript. on the reverse.)



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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

The Ontario Numismatic Association is proud of the fine work of Vince Doran, 1967 Chairman of the O. N. A. - Canadian National Exhibition Coin Exhibit. I would personally like to thank every exhibitor for the fine displays of numismatic material; every collector that gave freely of his time to man the exhibit; and all who helped to publicize, set up, and dismantle the show.

I do not know of any other coin exhibit that reaches the non-collecting public with down-to-earth basic information.

A very sincere "THANK YOU" to Vince Doran; his committee, and all who participated.

Bill English.

EX LIBRIS

by Hazel Munro

The O. N. A. Library is somewhat analogous to certain exhibits in many museums. The collection has been assembled, catalogued, and then for lack of a suitable central place to display it, has been shelved. Like the museum exhibit, the library is available on request, but we extend the service even further, and will mail to you any book that we have available.

Ancient coinage has a universal appeal, perhaps because it is a tangible link with a shadowy and often mysterious past, and this month's excerpt is taken from Commander R. P. Mack's "The Coinage of Ancient Britain" published and donated by Spink and Son, Ltd., London.

"Introduction - Before embarking on the subject of the coinage of the Ancient Britons it might be of interest briefly to review the earliest forms of monetary system that existed in this country and to form some idea as to how a coinage first came here.

Iron currency bars were in all probability the first normal form of currency in south and west Britain during the latter part of the Early Iron Age. These bars somewhat resemble unfinished swords and were beaten

out of iron, softened by heat, to a fixed weight. At the slightly wider end there is a roughly made handle and they are generally about thirty inches long although smaller currency bars of quarter size are also known. They have been found, mostly in hoards, in the south and west. In southeast Britain at about the same time there was a current form of cast bronze and tin coinage of a very crude nature. This coinage was eventually superseded by a gold coinage which came over from Gaul with the Belgic settlers but it is probable that the currency bars remained in circulation in the south-west until late in the first century B. C.

The earliest British gold coins have their main origin in the gold staters of Philip II of Macedon which were struck about the middle of the 4th century B. C. This type has the laureate head of Apollo on the obverse and on the reverse a charioteer in a biga with the name of Philip beneath. There is some controversy as to how this coin which is known as the "Philippus," found its way into central Gaul. One view is that it came in slow stages by way of the Danube and through Switzerland. It is likely that the use of coinage was carried gradually westward by tribes who had been introduced to it by Greek traders and who migrated at intervals of a generation or so as the natural resources of the occupied land became used up and the tribe moved on in search of more virgin soil. In this way it might well take a coin-using tribe a century or two to reach Gaul from the lower reaches of the Danube. It seems probable that the copyists of the Philippus were in Switzerland towards the end of the third century B. C. and reached Gaul at the middle of the second century B. C., initiating a gold coinage in the central regions, where the least degraded Gaulish copies of the Philippus are found.

Another theory suggested by Brook is that the Philippus came to Gaul via Rome. In the early part of the second century B. C. an immense number of gold staters came to Rome as spoils of war and tribute money paid by the treasury of Macedon, and Brooke suggests that the Romans used the gold Philippus as their own currency and that it was Roman diplomacy, not Greek trade that carried it to Gaul.

There are arguments in favour of both these theories but this book is intended to deal with the coinage of Britain as opposed to the continent and it is therefore unnecessary to discuss here the merits of one theory against the other and it must be left to the student to reach his own conclusions. Suffice it to say that the Philippus reached Gaul about the middle of the second century B. C. where it was copied to form a Gaulish coinage. Between the years 150-125 B. C. a group of tribes called the Belgae immigrated into northern Gaul and there struck coins in imitation of the Philippus. Later the Belgae made two expeditions into south and east Britain conveying the art of a struck coinage across the channel. The first of these invasions was about 75 B. C. or shortly afterwards and the second about the middle of the first Century B. C.

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NEW MEMBERS

Applications published in the July issue of the Ontario Numismatist have now been accepted. The following applications have been received. If no written objections are received, their acceptance will be acknowledged in the October issue of the Ontario Numismatist.

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A HELPING HAND

Canadian Numismatic Variety Collectors Association
Project Brenda.

203 University Ave.,
Kingston, Ontario,
Canada.

Dear Friend:

In response to many queries about Project Brenda, the following information is imparted to all interested persons, in anticipation of their support in this worthwhile project.

Early in 1966, Member Jack Wallace had occasion to hear about 16 year old Brenda Villeneuve who was confined to St. Mary's on the Lake Hospital in Kingston. This young lady, it was learned, had been a semi-paralytic bed patient for the past seven years. Wallace paid an informal call, and during his visit also learned that someone had given Brenda a few foreign coins which had captured her interest. Additional coins and a coin book were provided, and with a little encouragement Brenda became an avid collector within a very short time. Brenda's days are now just a little brighter, and filled with interest, since her introduction to the world of numismatics.

The success of the above endeavour, when brought to the attention of the members of CNVCA, prompted them to approve a program proposed, and to be directed by Member Wallace who would attempt, wherever possible, to create and foster an interest in coin collecting among invalid and crippled children whose names would be submitted to him by members of CNVCA. The program as outlined below, to be known as "PROJECT BRENDA."

Members (and other interested persons) are asked to donate minor Foreign coins; duplicates; coin books; supplies, such items to be placed in a central pool and distributed to members of PROJECT BRENDA. Birthday and Yuletide greetings would also be

mailed on behalf of the members of CNVCA.

When nominating a person for P. B. it is important that you include the following information; Date of birth; Sex; Education; nature of illness or handicap; collecting interest if any; and any other information that might be of assistance when corresponding with these young people.

DOMATIONS AND NOMINATIONS FOR P. B.

Address all correspondence, etc. to:

R. R. Morse,
P. O. Box 91, Station H,
Danforth Avenue,
Toronto, Ontario,
Canada.

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Jack Wallace,
203 University Avenue,
Kingston, Ontario,
Canada.

NOTE: Recommended to any O. N. A. members
who would be interested.

Ye Editor.

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CLUB ACTIVITIES

From the scarcity of Club news items, it appears that most clubs close down for the summer months - however we are happy to pass on the items we have had as they have come in ---

WINDSOR COIN CLUB - The members of the Windsor Coin Club enjoyed a good meeting with 25 members present on August 21st. The high light of the evening was a talk given by Mrs. Carl Querbach on "COLLECTING U. S. HALF DOLLARS" Mrs. Querbach had done a tremendous amount of research on the subject. She described the meaning of both sides of the various commemorative halves and why they were minted. The show is coming along as we hoped and of the 17 tables available, there are only 3 left. There is every indication that this show will be the best ever. We hope that we have some exhibits from outside our club to compete with the club members' exhibits.

OSHAWA COIN CLUB - Meets Fourth Sunday every month, United Steelworkers Hall,
125 Albert Street, Oshawa, 2:00 p. m.

The Club has been invited by the executive of the CENTRAL COIN CLUB to hold the next meeting at the Westbury Hotel on September 24th, 1967, where our guest speaker will be the well-known John J. Pittman.

RICHMOND HILL COIN CLUB - Meets Third Tuesday every month, Legion Court, 47 Yonge Street, Richmond Hill, 7:30 p. m.

At the August meeting Bob Shillingsworth was elected Vice-President to replace Ron Paget who resigned owing to the pressure of two jobs.

CANADIAN NUMISMATIC VARIETY COLLECTORS ASSOCIATION - The C.N.V.C.A. will have a table at the Central Coin Show at the Westbury Hotel on September 23, 24, 1967, and extend a cordial invitation to all members of the O. N. A. to stop at our table for a chat on the latest news of errors and varieties.

CENTRAL COIN CLUB - Meets every Monday night, Y. M. C. A., 40 College Streets, Toronto, Ontario.

On Monday evening September 4, 1967 a number of O. N. A. members and Central Coin Club members trekked over to the C. N. E. grounds to help take down the nearly 60 cases exhibit after a successful show during the "Ex" - full details from John Regitko in our October bulletin - congrats on a fine effort.

"Ye Ed"

Hundreds of Annual Coin Shows are sponsored by coin clubs throughout Canada and the United States every year. However, many "Firsts" are being planned by the executive of the Central Coin Show, sponsored by the Central Coin Club of the Central YMCA, 40 College St., Toronto, Canada (the club that meets every week), the "BIG SHOW" that will be held at the modern Westbury Hotel, 475 Yonge St., Toronto, on Saturday and Sunday, September 23 and 24, 1967.

In the past few years, fewer and fewer clubs are presented educational programs at their annual show. However, the Central Coin Show has a 100-seat room reserved for films, slides and live speakers on coin collecting. Highlights of the education program will be showings of the film "The Story of a Sculptor", dealing with the life and works of the late Emanuel Hahn, designer of many of Canada's coins and postage stamps, slide presentations of the Ontario Numismatic Association, and a number of internationally-known guest speakers.

One room, holding nothing but competitive displays from numismatists all over North America, will contain many top-notch displays and, in addition, arrangements have been made with the Westbury Hotel to allow displays to be set up in the Lobby of the Hotel so that non-collecting passers-by may view them and perhaps become interested in the hobby because of them.

A number of non-competitive displays will be presented by Banks. Some of these displays have never been shown before. The Royal Canadian Mounted Police have also been invited to set up a display of Counterfeit Paper Money, while national and provincial numismatic organizations have been allotted space for promoting their organizations.

A Sunday-morning breakfast will be held at the Hotel, where the Exhibit winners will be announced. Although other clubs award first prize trophies and ribbons and 2nd. and 3rd prize ribbons only, it has been Central's policy to award 2nd. and 3rd. prize trophies also and this Show will be no exception. The trophies, it is reported, are as large as or larger than trophies given out by other clubs.

All in all, the Central Coin Show promises to be one of Canada's numismatic highlights of the year.

John Regitko Jr.

ST. CATHARINES COIN CLUB - A picnic for St. Catharines Coin Club members and their families was held at Burgoyne Woods on Sunday, August 20, 1967. Between fifty and sixty attended and everyone seemed to have a good time. The weather while not hot, was warm enough for those who wished to take a dip in the Burgoyne Pool, and several people took advantage of the opportunity. A game of horseshoes was enjoyed by the men and several of the children took a hike through the surroundings woods.

After having eaten their picnic lunches, everyone gathered around for an hour of conversation; and as is so often the case with numismatists, the topics centred mainly on coin collecting. Everyone seemed to be looking forward to our first fall meeting which will be on Sunday, September 17.

Plans are progressing nicely for our Annual Banquet to be held on Saturday, October 14, in St. Barnabas Church, Queenston Street, St. Catharines. Our banquet last year was a

tremendous success and it is hoped that this year's will be even bigger and better. I would like to take this opportunity to personally invite all O. N. A. members to attend and bring along your displays. We hope to have a large bourse area in which to acquire the coins you need for your collection. Hope to see you all in St. Catharines on October 14, 1967.

Betty Lou Bellows

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COMING EVENTS

Please send your Club's banquet or convention news to the O. N. A. Editor, 57 Emmett Road, R. R. #4, St. Catharines, Ontario, at least two months in advance so we can help you publicize your event. (NOTE: From the last issue we need an extra month to correct all our mistakes. Sorry for any inconvenience due to our errors. Thank you for bearing with us until a new Editor was appointed).

- September 23 London Numismatic Society 16th Annual Banquet, Hotel London. Banquet ticket \$3.50. Guest speaker: John J. Pitman. Chairman Wm. N. Clarke, 167 Delaware St., London, Ontario.
- September 23, 24 Central Coin Show, Westbury Hotel, Toronto. The Toronto Coin Club and Oshawa Coin Club will hold their regular meetings. General Chairman: Mr. L. McNeil, Central Coin Club, Central Y. M. C. A., 40 College Street, Toronto.
- September 24 Norfolk Coin Club Centennial Coin Show and Banquet, Banquet ticket \$2.50. General Admission 25 cents. Guest speaker - Bill English. Contact Mrs. Elsie Fick, Box 309, Simcoe, Ont.
- September 30 Owen Sound 7th Annual Show, St. Georges Parish Hall, 4th Avenue East, Owen Sound - Banquet and Guest Speaker. General Admission 25 cents. Prizes will be awarded for displays as follows: 1. Junior - all material 2. Canadian 3. Centennial 4. Miscellaneous. A Best-of-Show award will also be made. Doors will open at noon and the show will end at 9:00 p. m. Dinner will start at 5:30 p. m. to 7:00 p. m. Guest Speaker will be Mr. Knetchel, anthropologist from Walkerton, Ont. The bourse will close during this speaker. Bourse tables will cost \$10.00 each include the dinner.
- October 1 Kitchener Coin Club 4th Annual Show, Walper Hotel, Kitchener, Ont. 10 a. m. to 6 p. m. Admission Free. Bourse - Mr. B. Weiss, 28 Locust Street, Kitchener, Ont.
- October 1 Blue Water Centennial Coin Show. 10 a. m. to 6 p. m. Village Inn Motel. General Chairman - Clarence McGee.
- October 14 Bay of Quinte Numismatic Association (Quinpex Jamboree) Combination Coins, Stamps and Mineral Clubs. 10 a. m. to 10 p. m. Belleville Armouries, Belleville, Ont. Gwen Sager, Box 125, Belleville, Ont.
- October 14 St. Catharines Coin Club Banquet, St. Barnabas Church, Queenst- Queenston St., St. Catharines, Ont. Banquet ticket \$3.00
- October 14, 15 Windsor Coin Show, Norton Palmer Hotel, Windsor. Bourse Chairman: Gordon Fomeroy, 264 Kennedy Place, Windsor, Ont.
- November 4 Transportation Ticket and Token Show. Central Y. M. C. A., Toronto. Dealing with streetcar, bus, subway, bridge, etc. Contact John Regitko, 29 Spruce Street, Toronto 2, Ont.

CLUB MEETINGS

- Brantford Coin Club - Second Sunday, 7:00 p. m., Hotel Kirby, Brantford
Central Coin Club - Every Monday, Central Y. M. C. A., 40 College St., Toronto
Huronian Numismatic Association - Third Thursday, Loyal True Blue Hall, Barrie
Ingersoll Coin Club - Third Monday, Ingersoll and District Memorial Centre
London Numismatic Society - First Tuesday, London Labour Hall, 133 Kent St., London.
Niagara Falls Coin Club - Third Wednesday
St. Catharines Coin Club - Third Sunday, Canadian Corps Hall, 17 Gale Cres., St. Catharines, Ont.
St. Thomas Coin Club - Second Tuesday, Grace United Church, St. Thomas
Sarnia Numismatic Society - First Wednesday, Chalet Motel, Sarnia
Tillsonburg Numismatic Society
Toronto Coin Club - Fourth Saturday, Royal York Hotel, Toronto
Waterloo Coin Society - Third Tuesday, Community Services Board, 40 Albert Street, Waterloo, Ontario
Woodstock Coin Club - Third Thursday, Old St. Pauls Parish Hall, Woodstock
Windsor Coin Club - Third Monday, Norton Palmer Hotel, Windsor, Ont.

SCRIBBLES FROM YOUR NEW EDITOR

Talk about getting one's feet wet -- whew! I'm soaked -- sweating that this my "first bulletin" will "pass muster" -- I've tried to remember everything "President Bill" passed on to me -- hope I haven't forgotten too much -- this I remember -- give Linda (our competent typist) plenty of material -- I also seem to remember that there is a time to speak - (I've done this) and a time to shut up -- I've shut up until October - see you all then BUT remember the "Editor" always has the last word.

Club Secretaries -- please send me your material early or you will miss the bulletin

Ye Olde Editor,

Pat Lambert.

The English Florin is currently equivalent in Canadian funds to approximately what?

(Approx. 30 cents)

The As is (A. A U. S. coin with a mule on the reverse
B. An ancient Roman coin C. An ancient Greek coin,
D. A French token)

(B. Roman coin)

What is the Canadian coinage of 1911 noted for?

(Di Gratia omitted from obverse)



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PEARLS OF WISDOM FROM OUR PRESIDENT

City of Waterloo Receives 1967 O. N. A. Medals for Archives

Bill English, president of the Ontario Numismatic Association presented the city, Monday, September 18, with a set of commemorative medals bearing the association and city crests.

The two medals, one of bronze and the other of sterling silver with a protective plastic covering, were attractively set in a decorative display box. Mayor Paleczny accepted the gift on behalf of the city and commended the Waterloo Coin Society for their numerous activities.

Mr. English told members of council that the coins, struck by the Ontario association, were being displayed all across Canada and in the United States, publicizing this community.

Each Life Member to Receive a Special Medal

A special, one-of-a-kind, inscribed life membership medal will be struck for each life member. This will be in addition to an encased life membership card.

The draw for LM 1 - 2 - 3, etc., to cover the eligible membership applications post-marked on or before October 31, 1967 will take place early in November.

Life Member names and numbers will be announced in the December issue of the Ontario Numismatist

To have a chance for L. M. 1: be sure to send your application in before the closing date. All applications received after the closing date will be allotted L. M. numbers in the order received.

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United States Paper Currency

Who's On What?

1 dollar

Washington

5 "

Lincoln

20 "

Jackson

100 "

Franklin

1,000 "

Cleveland

10,000 "

Chase

By Hazel Munro

For many years it was supposed that a coinage which is now generally recognized as Gaulish was of British origin. These are the coins that are now attributed to the Bellovaci, a tribe of northern Gaul, and which are found on both sides of the Channel.

The coinage consists of staters and quarter staters, both of which have certain pronounced characteristics, their origin being in the Philippos. They are nearly always struck on a very broad flan, the head of Apollo is very greatly exaggerated, occupying nearly all of the field, the flan being small in comparison. The laurel wreath, diadem and drapery over the shoulder are also pronounced. The reverse consists of a horse the chariot being reduced to a small oval ornament, and there is generally some semblance of a winged victory above. The average weight of the stater is about 116 grains the quarter stater about 28-30 grains.

It is most probable that these coins were brought to England by traders before the First Belgic Invasion of Britain. There are two very good reasons for supposing this to be so. First, no hoards of Bellovacian coins have so far been found in this country that could have been buried at this time. A few only have been found in company with coins of a later date. Secondly, the first gold coins to be struck in Britain were not copied from the Bellovacian stater. They do in fact bear very little resemblance to it, the only connection being that they both have their origin in the Philippos.

In these two features, the absence of hoards and lack of native imitation, the coinage differs from that of the first Belgic invaders which succeeded it. In fact these two features are what one would expect to distinguish a coinage which represents the establishment of trade routes from one representing the establishment of a people.

Bellovacian coins are fairly widely distributed over the southeast corner of England. Find spots seem to suggest that they were brought across the Channel by traders to the Essex, Kent and Sussex coasts. Thereafter they found their way inland as far as the borders of Bedfordshire and Buckinghamshire. They were also present in the Carnbrae (Cornwall) find in 1749.

Many of the Bellovacian coins found in England are in a very worn state which seems to suggest that they may have been used as currency over here. Their probable date is between 100 B. C. and 75 B. C. when the First Belgic Invasion took place.

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There is another coinage of staters and quarter staters found roughly in the same areas of southeast England as the Bellovacian coins, but they are not often found near the coast. They are of two distinct types, both of which would be pre-Belgic invasion. Again, no hoards of these coins have been found in England. Both types have the obverse die deliberately defaced by a series of lines, but the reverses are similar or nearly similar to the Bellovacian coins. On one type, the reverse has what has been described as a monkey perched on a horse's hindquarters holding a long pole. These coins with the defaced obverse die are fairly rare in England, and like the Bellovacian coins are found on both sides of the Channel. Their style is Gaulish, and there can be little doubt that they were struck in Gaul and brought over to England by traders before the First Belgic Invasion."

NEW MEMBERS

Applications published in the September issue of the Ontario Numismatist have now been accepted. The following applications have been received. If no written objections are received, their acceptance will be acknowledged in the November issue of the Ontario Numismatist.

- 617. Mr. Wayne Novak - 16 Marwill St. - Downsview, Ont.
- 618. Mr. John W. Harrington - 1406 Wesmar Dr. - Ottawa 8, Ont.
- 619. Mr. P. M. Schoss - 519 Dundas St. - Woodstock, Ont.
- 620. Mr. Russell Jackson - 144 Rolph St. - Tillsonburg, Ont.
- 621. Mr. Elmer Paczay - R. R. #6 - Simcoe, Ont.
- 622. Mr. Lea E. Ayoub - 657 Balliol, Apt. 7 - Toronto 7, Ont.
- 623. Mr. G. Bauer - 236 Lydia St. - Kitchener, Ont.
- 624. Mr. Arthur Leff - 514 Oxford St. East - London, Ont.
- 625. Mr. Richard D. McFadden - 98 Victoria St. - London, Ont.
- 626. Mr. Ed. Verkaik - 18 Mattice Rd. - Islington, Ont.
- 627. Mr. A. J. Williams - Box 35 - Port Hope, Ont.
- 628. Mr. Howard McNabb - R. R. #4 - Owen Sound, Ont.
- 629. Mr. W. W. Quinton - Walters Falls, Ont.

PROJECT BRENDA

Further to the above, your Editor noted that this project is certainly going great guns. At the recent Central Coin Show, I attended a meeting the Oshawa Coin Club (where I was given the glad hand of friendship by President and Executive) and noted speaker and great friend of Canadian Numismatics, John J. Pitman gave P. B. a terrific boost.

Will C. N. V. C. A. please give any items of interest to our readers (which grow from month to month - 616 to date, with more to come from President Bill English Ontario district) -- there is great interest and we know our readers too, will probably come up with some fresh ideas - how about it - let us see if our many clubs can maybe have a "Project Brenda" drive for items to send to either Jack Wallace, 203 University Avenue, in Kingston, or Ricky Morse, c/o P. O. Box 91, Station "H", Danforth Avenue Toronto -- Note to Jack Wallace - for our readers information, please let us have some news on P. B. for our November Bulletin.

CLUB PROJECTS AND ACTIVITIES

It appears a number of Ontario clubs have either produced or have been responsible for distributing Centennial Medallions - Niagara Falls put out an excellent Medallion as did St. Catharines and Brantford. If Niagara Falls (calling Mel Fiske) or Brantford would give us details as to the description, number minted, price, etc. we would be happy to pass it on to our readers. Maybe we can set up a "Swap Shop" among clubs who did produce medallions -- let us have some information please.

Huronian Numismatic Association

The next meeting will be our Seventh Anniversary meeting and it will be held on Thursday, September 21, 1967, at the Loyal True Blue Hall, High Street, Barrie, Ontario. The doors will be open at 7:30 p. m. and the business portion of the meeting will begin at 8:00 p. m. sharp. Guests who do not wish to sit through the business portion of the meeting may come any time after 8:30 p. m. to view the displays, enter material in the auction and help us celebrate our Seventh Year Anniversary.

President: Steve Wiggins

Secretary: Walter Schultz

Ingersoll Coin Club

President - Alan Macnab, 249 Hall Street, Ingersoll, Ont. Telephone 485-1292
Secretary - Les Allsop, 135 Bond Street, Ingersoll, Ont. Telephone 485-3309

The September Programme:

Ingersoll and District Memorial Centre, Meeting Room

Sept. 18 "Canadian Silver Dollars" 8:00 p. m.

An Audio Visual

By William English

Lucky Draw

Auction

Visitors Welcome

Bill English, President of the Ontario Numismatic Association is well known to most of our members. You can be assured that the O.N.A. Audio-visual "Canadian Silver Dollars" will prove an interesting and informative programme, one not to be missed that will get the fall season off to a good start.

Alan Macnab, who represented the Club at the recent O. N. A. Convention at Kitchener gave a report on the Delegates meeting and told of club members successes in the competitive displays. Percy Elgie was 1st. in the Miscellaneous category with his Hudson Bay entry. Gord Gray was 2nd. in Canadian Currency and Alan Macnab was 2nd. in the Centennial category.

Two O. N. A. directors, Howard Whitfield of London and Charlie Laister of Tillsonburg were present and addressed the members.

The lucky draw winners were Stu. Thurtell, a 1966 silver dollar and Mrs. Joe Mustos Dorchester, a book, "A Guide for the grading of Canadian Coins." The meeting concluded with an auction, Ralph Atkinson, auctioneer.

Niagara Falls Coin Club

Niagara Falls Coin Club meets the third Wednesday every month, at the B. C. V. A. Hall, Magdalen Street, one block off Victoria Ave. Opposite Bordens Dairy.

President - Lloyd Hottot, phone 354-1907

Secretary - Mrs. S. Colley, phone 358-6549

Our September meeting the 20th to be exact, should be very interesting. Harold Daniels has some slides to show us from the O. N. A. and I'm sure there will be some interesting stories to be listened to. Our surprise visitor sure surprised us, he's not coming. October is another month, maybe we can get him for October. A small display or an interesting story will be most welcome at the meeting.

St. Catharines Coin Club

The St. Catharines Coin Club held its first meeting of the fall season on September 17, in the Canadian Corps Hall with an excellent attendance of 61 members and 7 guests.

The O. N. A. Convention which was scheduled to be hosted by the St. Catharines Coin Club in 1968, has had to be cancelled. This cancellation was necessitated by a fire at Frudhommes Garden Centre in June. Pat Lambert has been appointed bulletin editor of the O. N. A. journal, for the coming year.

Prizes were won by Dick Ray, R. N. Voaden Brett Harrison, Fred Barley, E. Voaden, T. McLaren.

Recently when the Centennial Caravan was here, the club had two booths set up, outside the caravan. These were under the direction of Pat Lambert and G. Oblinsky.

The members were reminded of the Annual Coin Show and Banquet on October 14, 1967 at St. Barnabas Church.

Our club was honoured at the recent C. N. A. Convention when Betty Lou Bellows placed second in Category K, Miscellaneous.

Display winners: 1st. Vic Snell 2nd. Betty Lou Bellows 3rd. Catherine Oblinsky. Juniors: 1st. Debbie Bellows 2nd. John Sawatsky

Vic Snell conducted an informative quiz and gave us a brief resume of King George V and King George VI. A highly successful auction was held, conducted by Lloyd Dorsey assisted by Norm Bellows and Stan Aroe.

Waterloo Coin Society

As this is our first meeting after a two-month rest (September 19), I guess we're all ready to get going again. So here goes. At this meeting, we will have an audio-visual film entitled "Collecting Church Medallions" by Allan Macnab, Ingersoll. This film has not been shown in this territory before, so it will be something new for our members.

Also for this meeting we have decided to have an auction. This auction will be from one cent to the silver dollar. So come on folks, and bring in those coins for the auction.

It has been brought to my attention that three of our members were at the Canadian Numismatic Convention in Ottawa. They were Bruce Raszmann, John Shaw and Bill English. If there are any questions to be asked about this convention, I'm sure between the three of them it could and would be answered.

Also, some of our members attended the Coin Show, etc. at the C. N. E. and I'm sure it was quite a success.

John Craig has promised to bring the Kitchener Coin Club out in full force to this meeting, so I hope the guests do not outnumber the members. When John brings them, they really come "en masse."

COMING EVENTS

Please send your Club's banquet or convention news to the O. N. A. Editor, 57 Emmett Road, R. R. #4, St. Catharines, Ontario, at least two months in advance so we can help you to publicize your event.

- October 14 Bay of Quinte Numismatic Association (Quinplex Gemboree)
Combination coins, stamps and mineral clubs. 10 a. m. to 10 p. m.
Belleville Armouries, Belleville, Ont. Gwen Sager, Box 125,
Belleville, Ont.
- October 14 St. Catharines Coin Club Banquet, St. Barnabas Church, Queenston
St., St. Catharines, Ont. Banquet ticket \$3.00

- October 14, 15 Windsor Coin Show, Norton Palmer Hotel, Windsor. Bourse
Chairman: Gordon Pomeroy, 264 Kennedy Place, Windsor, Ont.
- October 29 Tillsonburg Numismatic Society 5th Annual Fall Show, Orange Hall,
Brock St. West, Tillsonburg, Ont. Starts at 12 noon.
Chairman: Chas. Laister, #3 Highway, Tillsonburg, Ont.
- November 2 Champlain Coin Club - Banquet supper to follow regular club
meeting - Y. M. C. A., Orillia, Ont.
- November 4 Transportation Ticket and Token Show. Central Y. M. C. A.,
Toronto. Dealing with streetcar, bus, subway, bridge, etc.
Contact John Regitko, 29 Spruce Street, Toronto 2, Ont.
- November 12 Huron County Numismatic Society 6th Annual Coin Exhibition,
Elm Haven Motel, Clinton, Ont. From 11:00 a. m. to 8:00 p. m.

FROM A GROUP OF INTERESTED TRANSPORTATION TOKEN AND TICKET COLLECTORS

Plans are well under way for the show being held in Toronto on Saturday, November 4, 1967, dealing entirely with the collecting of Transportation Tokens, Tickets and related items such as Transfers, Bridge and Ferry Tokens, etc. The show, to be held from 10:00 a. m. to 9:00 p. m. in Rooms 7 and 8 (2nd. floor) of the Central Y. M. C. A., 40 College Street, Toronto, will have competitive exhibits, audiovisuals and speakers, and possibly an auction dealing entirely with Transportation collecting.

Best of Show, 2nd. and 3rd. prize trophies will be awarded, as well as ribbons. In addition, every exhibitor will receive a special "Exhibitors" ribbon in appreciation for setting up a display.

Bourse tables will also be available for a nominal fee of \$5.00 to help cover expenses. It is pointed out that these tables need not necessarily be used for buying or selling, but could be used for trading as well for anyone that has duplicate material. The buying and selling of Odd and Unusual numismatic items will be allowed providing a portion of the stock consists of Transportation numismania.

Anyone interested in reserving bourse space or display space should contact John Regitko Jr., 29 Spruce Street, Toronto 2, Ontario, as soon as possible.

CLUB MEETINGS

- Brantford Coin Club - Second Sunday, 7:00 p. m., Hotel Kirby, Brantford
- Central Coin Club - Every Monday, Central Y. M. C. A., 40 College., Toronto
- Champlain Coin Club - First Thursday, Y. M. C. A., Orillia
- Huronian Numismatic Association - Third Thursday, Loyal True Blue Hall, Barrie
- Ingersoll Coin Club - Third Monday, Ingersoll and District Memorial Centre
- London Numismatic Society - First Tuesday, London Labour Hall, 133 Kent St., London
- Niagara Falls Coin Club - Third Wednesday
- St. Catharines Coin Club - Third Sunday, Canadian Corps Hall, 17 Gale Cres., St. Catharines
- St. Thomas Coin Club - Second Tuesday, Grace United Church, St. Thomas
- Sarnia Numismatic Society - First Wednesday, Chalet Motel, Sarnia

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Tillsonburg Numismatic Society

Toronto Coin Club - Fourth Saturday, Royal York Hotel, Toronto

Waterloo Coin Society - Third Tuesday, Community Services Board, 40 Albert St, Waterloo

Woodstock Coin Club - Third Thursday, Old St. Pauls Parish Hall, Woodstock

Windsor Coin Club - Third Monday, Norton Palmer Hotel, Windsor, Ont.

Will all clubs supply us with their location of club meetings, date, and time, etc. (We meander about the Province, and could then drop in and say "Howdy")

AROUND THE PROVINCE

C. N. A. Convention

Your editor attended the a. m. convention and had a real enjoyable visit with old friends of O. N. A. and C. N. A. members - at times it was too crowded!! A really successful show - congrats to all who did such a swell job.

Central Coin Show

This event too proved a great success, and one thing I would point out - the education part of numismatics was well attended to by the Club - and, I'm sorry to say, an important part which is too often neglected -- had an interesting time chatting with old friends like John J. Pitman, Gale Jarvis, Vince Doran, John Regitko, etc. etc. Incidentally, John Pitman gave Project Brenda a real boost - here is one enthusiastic numismatist who is always keen to pass on knowledge and inside information to the betterment of our hobby - thanks John - it's enthusiasts like yourself who keep our hobby interesting.

One thing before we put this bulletin to "bed" - I note a sad neglect of any mention of Junior activities --- now I know many clubs have special activities for their junior members - why not let us have a report on them - how many members? What they do?? etc. Maybe we can run a special page for our collectors of the future many clubs are not sending in news items --- please let us hear from you -- maybe we can help your club help yourself - give us a chance to do so.

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Pyx - Webster says it's a box or vessel with a lid. Numismatically it's a box to collect coins for the Pyx Trial.

Out of every 15 lbs. Troy weight of gold and every 60 lbs. Troy weight of silver, minted in England, a coin is put in the Pyx for the annual testing by weight and assay, which is known as the trial of the Pyx. This takes place in the Hall of the Goldsmiths Company in London, and is called a 'trial' as the ceremony is conducted in the presence of a jury of goldsmiths who must deliver their verdict in writing to the Lord Chancellor.

The trial was introduced from France in the reign of Edward I (1272 - 1307), and was held every three months prior to the reign of Edward VI (1547 - 1553).

They also assay specimens from mints of the Dominions and Colonies.

The United States also conducts a similar "Trial of the Pyx". Two quarters and two half dollars are taken from every 50,000 of these coins, as well as two dimes from every 100,000 struck. These coins are analyzed to determine their degree of fineness, they must contain 900 parts silver, with an allowable deviation of 6/1000. This annual inspection is held at the Philadelphia mint by the National Assay Commission. The members, who serve without pay or expenses, receive a commemorative medal known as the Annual Assay Medal.

So Long,

Pat Lambert, Editor.



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BUILDING A NUMISMATIC COLLECTION

by Lloyd T. Smith

There is a great desire by all serious collectors to build a collection that will be a source of pride to own and exhibit, will fully represent his chosen field or theme and serve to preserve for future generations a few examples of the history of man through numismatics.

It is not my intention here to purposely direct anyone toward a particular field of numismatics though it is most important that every collector should give careful consideration to the many choices available for spending large sums of money.

Experience being a good teacher, I shall choose a personal field of collecting to serve as an example for building a collection. Many readers are aware of my interest in gold coins of the world and having examined my display at various shows, will be better able to understand the problems, opportunities and pleasures associated with the formation of this collection. The results may be related to any other field of numismatics.

The decision to enter the gold coin field was made some years ago following a careful assessment of my collecting interests at that time and the future aims for both my collections and my numismatic education. As proof of this statement, how many collectors regularly buy, borrow and read books related to fields other than their own collection?

Prior to my moment of decision about the gold collection, I had spent many years building a nice collection of Canadian coins, both tokens and decimals. The tokens formed an excellent representation of the early coinage of our country and I readily dismissed any possible thought of altering this collection other than for improvement. The decimal coins, however, not only engendered my happy decision but also supplied the means to finance my new venture.

The Canadian decimal collection was of the series nature, that is, it required a specimen of each denomination of coin for every year of issue, plus the recognized varieties. The decision was obvious. From the series

collection, I would form a superb type collection of Canadian decimal coins, leaving me with many nice specimens to sell, with the proceeds going to start another field. That evening, I chose the best type coins of each denomination for each reigning monarch, keeping the scarcest specimens wherever possible so that I could maintain a high value for the type collection. The remaining coins were then listed and readied for sale to other collectors.

Though hardly relative to this paper, my choice of gold coins of the world as my new interest was based on an aesthetic feeling toward gold, the research and study requirements of such a vast field and the elusive nature of many desirable specimens.

To be concluded next month.

NEW MEMBERS

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630. Bill Hobbs, 1167 Queens Boulevard, Kitchener, Ontario.

631. Dave Kraatz, 68 Blueridge, Kitchener, Ontario.

CLUB ACTIVITIES

Many Clubs are forgetting that editors have a deadline - ours is the end of the month - (30th-31st) and we are sorry to say some clubs have not sent us their October meeting's report. We Want to hear from you. Your club is important to the Association so please send me your club meeting's notes at least by the 25th - 29th of the month so I can include it in these columns.

NEWS FROM THE CANADIAN COIN CLUBS

Central Coin Club - Toronto - Ontario.

Every Monday night every week

The Central Coin Club has moved to 433 Yonge Street, just below College Street still in the heart of the city and easily accessible from all directions. The meetings are held in the large banquet hall of the Academy Restaurant on the second floor.

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Thistletown Coin Club - Toronto - Ontario

Meets every second Tuesday of the month,
in the Auditorium of the Thistletown
Sr. School.

Members that attended the last meeting were lucky enough to see a beautiful collection of colour-slides taken by the President on his tour of the U. S. this past summer in numerous states of the U. S. and parts of Canada. The business meeting took the form of a discussion group with the topic being "How to increase the membership and why each and every Member attended the Club." A SUGGESTION BOX has been set up for club members to bring forth any helpful ideas that may be of use to the Executive.

Huronian Numismatic Association

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President: Steve Wiggins

NEWSLETTER -- OCTOBER, 1967

The last meeting of our club was our seventh anniversary meeting and was held at the Loyal True Blue Hall on Thursday, September 21, 1967. There were 38 members and guests present and we had a small turnout of displays which again sparked much interest. The Senior winner was Noreen Howcroft with her Centennial display and the Junior was won by Gregg Kline with his display of Foreign currency. We hope these displays have helped to show other members that they could possibly make up displays themselves and help to maintain interest in our hobby in this area. Displaying your hobby in front of the general public is the best way of creating more interest and thereby stimulating your hobby and your investment. We would again like to thank the Barrie Examiner for their coverage of our anniversary meeting and the pictures that appeared in the paper will be at our next meeting. Coffee and Birthday cake were served to everyone and a small auction was held.

Club Auctions

Coin club auctions are intended to help collectors obtain a reasonable price from one another for each piece offered, but not necessarily the highest. To arrive at a reasonable sales figure on such occasions, perhaps it is easiest and best to use a dealers' purchase offer as a guide to a reserve bid. Thus the seller appears likely to receive for his material at least as much as a dealer would give him.

Club auctions are meant to bring the buyer and seller together at reasonable price levels, and a dealers' average purchase price would appear to be the fairest place to start. (condensed from CNA Journal - 1960)

Wildlife Series to be exclusively for 1967 Commemorative Coins

The government has decided to revert back to the 1966 designs for the 1968 obverse and reverse designs on all coinage. This will leave the wildlife designs as exclusive commemoratives of Canada's 100th Birthday.

Two Silver Dollars for 1968?

It has been indicated by federal officials that they will consent to the issuing of a commemorative silver dollar in 1968 to mark the 60th anniversary of the Royal Canadian Mint. This silver dollar will be of .800 fine silver and will be encased in the same type of leather container as the centennial silver medallion with appropriate embossed birthday markings. The high silver content double-striking and near proof condition will necessitate a substantial premium above face value. We have our doubts if another silver dollar will be struck for commercial purposes as is indicated at present.

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Ingersoll coin club Bulletin

THE SEPTEMBER MEETING ----- This meeting on September 18 was attended by 15 members and guests, who enjoyed an Ontario Numismatic Association's Audio-visual "Canadian Silver Dollars" by William English. A report on the Canadian Numismatic Association's Convention held at Ottawa, August 31 to September 2 was given by Alan Macnab. The lucky draw prize a "Canadian Paper Money Journal" and a booklet "Pre-Confederation Money in Canada" was

won by Charlie Laister of Tillsonburg. The meeting concluded with an auction with Ralph Atkinson as Auctioneer.

The OCTOBER MEETING ----- The October meeting will be held at the Ingersoll District Memorial Centre, meeting room on Monday, October 16 at 8:00 p. m. This month we are going to keep you guessing, we are not letting you know what our programme is so you will have to be present to discover what we have lined up for you, however, we shall have our lucky draw and auction as usual. Be sure not to miss this programme and bring a friend with you.

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Centennial Kingston Koin Klub Bulletin

Editor - Fred Steele
President - E. Howlett
Secretary - A. Rickey

Having just returned from holidays I can't say I am full of the proverbial zest and fully rested. But now that summer is over let us get back in the swing of things and get the club rolling for the fall show and winter season. I missed the last two meetings, so I don't know what has transpired but I do know we have to put every effort into this Coin Show to make it a success and we need every member behind this, so let's go, fellow coin collectors and make Saturday, October 21 a big day. In my news letter from Ricky Morse I see that other clubs which choose to remain open during summer have also had poor attendance. This man Ricky is surely a dedicated soul. He is director of Oshawa Coin Club ... CNVCA ... Regional Director of Province of Ontario ... Display Chairman of Central Coin Show ... runs a mail order business ... and is also helping with the O. N. A. - C. N. E. Coin Show at the Exhibition. Also he is Secretary of the Richmond Hill Coin Club. Surely if one man can do so much we as a group can put our show over. My thanks to Ricky for his kind offer to the Exhibition, but I spent my vacation at Cottage. Can't say I caught any big fish or even brag about the one that got away.

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London Numismatic Society

Meets first Tuesday of each month.

Labour Hall, 133 Kent St.

Report of meeting No. 202, October 3, 1967

President Tom Masters welcomed 45 members, guests and bourse dealers to the 202nd meeting of the L. N. S. The Secretary spoke of the new Canadian Numismatic Association President, Mr. E. Victor Snell, of St. Catharines, and expressed the congratulations of the L. N. S. to him in his new office. The secretary also mentioned a motion passed by the Toronto Coin Club to make representation to the Master of the Mint suggesting a commemorative coin issue to mark the 60th anniversary of the founding of the Royal Canadian Mint next year. This proposal was the outcome of an address given to the Toronto Club by Prof. Ross Irwin of Guelph, a well-known collector of military medals and numismatics. A coin or medal would certainly mark this noteworthy occasion and we could well add our support.

It was also announced that the deadline for O. N. A. Life Memberships is October 31, 1967. All applications must be postmarked on or before this date.

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Niagara Falls Coin Club

President - Lloyd Hottot

News and Notes

Last Meeting - We had 14 members and 6 guests at the October meeting. Mr. Don MacDonald won the draw for the 1967 Canadian proof-like set. It was agreed by those present, that the club would meet the second Wednesday of each month, at the Y. W. C. A. on Culp Street for the next six months at least. George Oblinsky has offered us a box to house our papers, books, et . Thanks G. O. Owing to unforeseen circumstances, and a slight

misunderstanding, Mr. W. E. Pat Lambert did not make it to our October meeting, but he will not fail us at the November meeting.

Next Meeting - Wednesday, November 8, 1967, at the Y. W. C. A. at 7:30 p. m. I would like to see a good turnout to help me welcome Mr. Lambert. Any material you have for the auction, please have it identified and in something. This will enable the person looking after the auction material to process your coins and display them before the auction takes place.

Letter from Mel Fiske, Niagara Falls Coin Club

Editor Pat Lambert sent a message across the continent in October's Publication to have me submit a story on the Niagara Falls Medallions. In January, 1966, I submitted a request to City Council to have a commemorative medallion project as a means of raising funds for financing local Centenary of Canada celebrations to be staged in 1967. They, City Council, did accept and with the generous help of Mr. and Mrs. F. Rohde of Wellings Manufacturing Limited, Toronto, we in Niagara Falls have the letter Canada Coin News (now Coin, Stamps and Antiques) printed congratulating me for having the first Centennial Medallion on the market. Dominating the obverse design of this medallion is the City Crest supported by Lions rampant below which appears the legend "City of Niagara Falls, Canada". Circling the top of the coin are the words Canada's Centennial with the dates below 1867-1967 flanked by leaf sprigs on either side. On the reverse are the Niagara Falls, with a depiction of Hydro Electric Power outlets to the left below and local agricultural products to the right below. The central design is surrounded by legends reading Scenic Wonderland - Hydro Electric Power Industry - Agriculture. Struck on 38 m.m. planchets this medal has been produced in antique bronze, nickel-silver (sells at \$1.30 each) .999 fine silver (\$8.75) and 24 kt. gold (\$150.00).

I thank the editor for publishing this, also Mr. Harold Daniels, O. N. A. designer, City of Niagara Falls, Council, Wellings Manufacturing, also last but not least, the interested collectors, that made this project a big success.

Mel Fiske
O. N. A. 424 C. N. A. 6192

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Owen Sound Coin Club

The Owen Sound Coin Club held their centennial showing at St. George's Parish Hall Saturday, September 30, 1967. There were seven dealers on hand from Toronto, Warton, Clinton and Owen Sound. About 150 visitors viewed the display and attended the bourse tables. We've done it again! An anthropologist at a numismatic show? Twenty-five trays of coins and tokens were displayed and described. Prizes were distributed by the president J. Loughheed as follows: Best of Show, Mrs. L. Thompson, Toronto; Miscellaneous W. Thompson, Toronto; Centennial display Sr. Mrs. O. Huston, Owen Sound; Centennial display Jr. D. Huston, Owen Sound. Judges were J. Dietrich, Clinton and H. Jepherson, Owen Sound. Thirty guests attended a smorgasbord dinner at which F. Knechtel, an anthropologist from Hanover, was the guest speaker. Mr. Knechtel outlined the lives of the early Indians in this area. One thing emerged was that WAMPUM has so far not been found in this area. only beads so far have been unearthed which were used in trading.

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Sarnia Numismatic Society

Wednesday, Nov. 1, 1967
Canada Trust Building

October Meeting - Twenty-five members were present at this meeting to hear President Phil Pratt and Earl Davis tell of their trip to England when they visited the Royal Mint, took part in a Coin Show at Chelsea and viewed the English "Mini Skirts and Mod Look." No dull

moments when you belong to the Sarnia Numismatic Society. While at the Royal Mint, Phil and Earl viewed the dies of the following coinage of 1911: \$5. and \$10. Gold and the \$1. silver. The Dominion Government having decided to add a silver dollar to the coinage, purchased a new coin press for the express purpose of striking coins of this size. Dies for the new coinage were prepared by the die and medal department of the Royal Mint, London. Later, however, the Dominion authorities decided against the issue of a silver dollar at that time, and official proclamations determining the designs of the new coinage only provided for the silver in 50, 25, ten and five cent denominations, and the bronze one cent. The pattern dollar exhibited at Sherbrooke was struck by the Royal Mint, London, at the time that the dies were made. Another specimen appears in the Royal Mint Report for 1911. The British Museum does not have an example of this rare piece.

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Centennial Coin Show

Clarence McGee reported on the results of the Blue Water Centennial Coin Show held October 1 at the Village Inn. Fifty beautiful displays attracted much attention and made it quite difficult for the three judges to make their decisions. Special appreciation to all who took the time and effort to contribute to these displays which came not only from our own club but also from Thamesford, London, Detroit, Flint, Bay City and Port Huron. Coin collecting is fun and when you can see beautiful results of the collecting it gives an added incentive to improve your collections. The success of a coin show is dependent on the displays, the interest taken by the coin collectors, the integrity of the Bourse Dealers, and hard work on the part of the sponsoring club. The Blue Water Centennial Coin Show this year was bountifully blessed in these areas and consequently was a huge success.

November Meeting - Come and BE PREPARED for an open discussion on "Early Canadian Coins, Grading, Scarcity, etc."

Nominations will be held for 1968 Officers.

Four custodians needed for display in City Hall.

Regular Auction will be held.

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St. Catharines Coin Club

The St. Catharines Coin Club was honoured in having as the speaker at their 8th Annual Banquet, Major Sheldon S. Carroll, C. D., F. R. N. S., F. C. N. R. S., Curator of the Bank of Canada, Numismatic Section. His topic for the evening, "Project Bernhart", told of the counterfeiting of the English pound notes by the Nazis during the Second World War. He brought with him and displayed a set of these notes, one of the few known complete sets in the world. He also brought a genuine note for comparison. The banquet was held on Saturday, October 14, in St. Barnabas Church Hall on Queenston Street. One hundred and seventeen sat down for dinner. There were fifteen bourse dealers present from various Ontario centres providing an excellent selection of numismatic material.

One of the highlights of the show was the seventy displays entered, eight of these being entered by Junior members. The St. Catharines Club would like to thank the many out-of-town guests who entered displays and from the list of winners it can be seen they were very successful. The judges had many difficult decisions to make, but they are all well-qualified and were as follows: Head Judge-Bruce Brace, Ancaster, assisted by Stan Haroe, St. Catharines, Ricky Morse, John Regitko, Wayne Thompson and Dr. J. S. Wilkinson, all of Toronto.

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St. Thomas Numismatic Association - Meetw second Tuesday each month, Grace United Church, St. Thomas.

Meeting of Tuesday, October 10, 1967 at 7:30 p. m. - As a special feature we expect to have a speaker for this meeting, but we have not received any word at this time. There

will be a draw for a 1967 mint set p. 1. Also there will be free coffee and donuts. The Executive would like to request you, the junior members to attend our meetings, and also the members of the club, to bring a younger member or a beginner along. We would like to see them get started with the hobby and to study numismatics. Some of the members attended the London Numismatic Coin Show and a report will be given.

Coming event of interest - the Huron County Numismatic Society are holding their 6th Annual Coin Show, November 12, 1967 at the Elm Haven Motel at Clinton, Ontario, from 11:00 a. m. to 8:00 p. m.

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Windsor Coin Club

Windsor's third annual Coin Show proved a successful one. There were 16 Bourse dealers there, and a good showing of displays were on hand and were very well-presented, and showed that a great deal of thought had gone into them. The Best of Show Award went to Mr. A. N. Dinder of Sandusky, Ohio, for his gold display. The Grand door prize was won by Mr. Stan Baibak of Detroit. The rain on Sunday did not stop the steady stream of visitors coming into the show room.

The October meeting was small because of the inclement night, but 14 members were there and after the Show report was given by Jack Yocom. A discussion took place as to the advisability of a Spring Show. This will be decided upon at an Executive meeting soon. A talk on CROWNS OF THE COMMONWEALTH was given by Miss A. Watt and was sparked by a display of the Crowns.

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Woodstock Coin Club

The October meeting of the Woodstock Coin Club was held October 19, 1967, at Old St. Paul's Parish Hall, Woodstock, at 8:15 p. m., with 25 members present. Two new members, Gord Kozak and Thomas Birtch, both of Woodstock were accepted into the club. A talk on the subject of Coin Collectors and how they are related to coin collecting and coin clubs were given by Jack Griffin of Woodstock.

Next month the programme will be "A Visit to Expo '67". We are happy to pass on to you the information that our club also issued a centennial medal, the sales of which went extremely well, this is the third year in a row that our club has issued medals. Anyone wishing information on the purchase or trade of these medals particularly centennial medals may contact us at Woodstock Coin Club, P. O. Box 631, Woodstock, Ontario.

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MEMO TO JACK WALLACE of Kingston Coin Klub

Be sure to let me have a report on Project Brenda and if possible by the 25 - 29th of the month to ensure inclusion in the next issue.

COMING EVENTS

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| November 12 | Huron County Numismatic Society Sixth Annual Coin Exhibition, Elm Haven Motel, Clinton, Ont. From 11:00 a. m. to 8:00 p. m. |
| April 27, 1968 | The Huronia Numismatic Association (C.17) will be holding their Seventh Annual Coin Show on Saturday, April 27, 1968 at The Continental Inn, at the junction of Highway 400 and Dunlop St. East, Barrie, Ontario, from 12:00 noon until 11:00 p. m. All enquiries may be addressed to The Chairman, Box 243, Barrie, Ontario. |

IN LIGHTER VEIN

THE BEAUTY?

As a dedicated numismatist I belong to numerous organizations in Canada and the U. S. that cater to the hobby I so dearly love. Coupled with this fact is another of great importance to me, namely, that I am a bachelor and bachelors often daydream of beautiful women, and seductive girls. In reading the various numismatic newspapers for news of my pals, and coming events I'd often seen a girl's name mentioned in connection with coin club meetings, and coin shows. This always interests me as the males far outnumber the females in the hobby of collecting coins, and when you see a person's name on numerous occasions, it means that they are really a lot more wrapped up in the hobby.

Being a bachelor, I tried to imagine what this girl would look like ... how she dressed ... if she was fat or thin ... young or old ... and why she hadn't married, (the word "Mrs." was never mentioned with her name.)

Eventually, I started looking for her at the various coin shows that I attended but, being a shy fellow, I never made any inquiry, or any bold advance towards the ladies that attended the same shows.

At least two years passed, and I began to think that fate ruled that I was never to meet the girl with the same interests as myself. And then, came the O. N. A. - C. N. E. Coin Show for 1967, and I was asked to enter some of my displays for the public to view. On the evening that we were to set up our displays, I arrived at the C. N. E. and greeted my fellow O. N. A. members ... set up my displays ... and started chatting to our President Bill English, who asked me if I would like to meet the new editor of the Ontario Numismatist .. Pat Lambert. I tried to look nonchalant - here was the name I'd been following in the paper .. here was my own daydream .. now my curiosity was to be sated .. and I turned to meet ... Mr. Pat Lambert ... just how foolish can a daydreaming bachelor get????

Ricky Morse.

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EX LIBRIS

Although the attendance at some clubs has fallen off somewhat, other clubs and organizations report an increase in beginner-collectors, and it is for this new group of enthusiasts that this extract is chosen. The book is "The Teach Yourself Guide to Numismatics" by C. C. Chamberlain, donated to the Library by A. L. Munro.

".... Every coin has its setting, its historical background; it has links with the religion, the art, the literature of the period ... It was in Ancient Greece that coins began; it was there that they achieved perfection. Yet, when we consider some two thousand cities in the Grecian Empire issued their own coins, and most of these cities struck a great number of differing types in the course of the ages, we realize it needs not one book but a library to deal adequately with such a vast study. In the case of the Roman Empire, the study of her coins must bulk large because of their historical importance. It is on the foundation of Roman currency that our currency today is based. Finally, in a book intended for the English speaking peoples, interest demands great and imposing corpus of continental coinage has had to be by-passed for the most part, whilst the tangled intricacies of Oriental coinage have been barely touched upon. These and similar fields of study are for the advanced numismatist, and for such this book is not intended. For the sake of quick reference, the information has been set out in alphabetical order, and cross references, often indicated by italics, have helped in saving space.

The fascination of collecting coins is at least as old as the Roman Empire. From a curious reference in the Life of Augustus by Suetonius (c.75) we learn that the Romans of that time prized their own antique coins and valued those of foreign nations. Amongst the earliest known collectors of Europe is Pope Boniface VIII (1294-1303), well-known to us from Dante's poem. Petrarch (1304-74) was an ardent collector. During the Renaissance, numbers of Italian Princes and Grandees amassed cabinets of Roman, and later Greek coins. Where original rarities were lacking the local medallist with his "Paduans" filled up the gaps. Alfonso, King of Naples, was perhaps the greatest collector of the time; he is the first known specialist: he specialized in the coins of Julius Caesar and

the Julian family. Numismatics in those days meant the study of Greek and Roman coins, or "medals" as they were indiscriminately termed. Mediaeval coins were looked upon as "Gothic" barbarisms.

The first mention of an English collection is in a will dated 1552, that of Edward Beaumont of Oxford. The Stewarts were great collectors of works of art, amongst which their coin collections held high place. Prince Henry, son of James I, left behind him the valuable collection of coins and medals his father had started for him. This royal collection was greatly increased by Charles I, but the whole was seized and dispersed by the iconoclastic Puritans. Amongst other famous collectors were the Duke of Buckingham, Sir Henry Cotton the bibliophile, William Camden the antiquary, Henry Hyde, 2nd. Earl of Clarendon, and John Evelyn the diarist. The famous Pembroke collection, formed by Thomas Herbert, Earl of Pembroke, was the first to give English numismatics an equal honour to that previously given to the coins of Greece and Rome. In France, Louis XIV (1638-1715) was so keen a collector that he never passed a day without viewing some portion of his treasures.

The vast collection now contained in the British museum began by various bequests in the eighteenth century; early in the nineteenth century it was enriched by the acquisition of the royal collection. Glasgow University in 1783 acquired the large and valuable collection formed by the famous surgeon, William Hunter.

(To be concluded in December issue)

FIN. LE: The pencil is just about run out of lead

The typewriter ribbon is about in shreds as we put this bulletin to bed. A big Thank You to all the clubs who sent in so much material The red pencil is worn out ... To Hazel Munro for her timely article To Ricky Morse - Thank you for nothin'. "I ain't no dame" To Lloyd Smith - Thank you, Lloyd, for an excellent article which will be concluded in the next bulletin.

Memo to Alex Munro -- Please have an article for the January issue.

Lastly -- I hope our good friend, the "typist-consolidator," won't be too "Mad" at this long, I hope, interesting bulletin.

Editorially yours,

Pat Lambert.



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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

With the end of another exciting year in Canadian Numismatics we wish to extend a warm Season's Greeting for the coming year.

Centennial year has been eventful with many medals struck for the occasion. The Royal Canadian Mint expanded its services to include a \$20.00 gold presentation set, in a proof striking. It also struck a special medallion which was available singly or in a special presentation set. The regular proof-like sets rounded out the centennial project of the Ottawa Mint.

The designs although controversial at first, seemed to gain favour as the year wore on and now we are a little sorry to see them go. They won't really be gone though, because the year 1967 will be struck in silver, nickel, copper and gold to live on for future numismatists around the world.

The Bank of Canada issued a centennial dollar bill that had the dates 1867 - 1967 instead of the usual serial numbers found on the rest of the denominations for this year.

We, in the hobby, can thank the Royal Canadian Mint, the Bank of Canada and the many people across the country for a full numismatic awareness, that is bringing many new collectors into the fold.

Merry Christmas - Happy New Year and good hunting in 1968.

Bill English, President

BUILDING A NUMISMATIC COLLECTION

by Lloyd T. Smith

Conclusion

One might say that I started from scratch as I then owned only three gold coins, a Newfoundland two-dollar, an English half-sovereign and a badly scratched Canadian Ten-dollars.

Just as an army or detective force must plan strategy

before entering the field or chase, I too bought books on gold, read and clipped newspaper items, listed sources of supply such as dealers and auctions.

My homework had proven that too often, prices were based on apparent scarcity rather than relative scarcity, a subtle difference between popular belief and the actual combination of supply and demand. Once, the knock of opportunity came in the form of an auction catalogue that had been delayed because of a printers' strike. With the apology and explanation was a request that I forward my bids by air mail as the deadline was only about four days hence. The result? Thirty-six gold coins out of about fifty bids and all at one third to one half of estimated value.

A similar incident occurred about one year later when a fairly large coin company declared bankruptcy and about two hundred gold coins were listed in the liquidation auction. My bids were successful on twelve lots, but as I was the sole bidder on foreign gold (most lots were U. S. A.), I was offered the remaining lots at an even lower price because they had received no bids and must be sold.

Having a wealth of duplicate material from my previous decimal collection and other investment material gave me some nice bargaining material for trading purposes. Here, because I knew that the original cost of my duplicates was lower than prevailing rates. I could give good value as trade for gold coins and both parties could be well satisfied. One must never overlook the small club auctions, the treasure troves or keepsake boxes of non-collectors as possible sources of interesting and sometimes valuable pieces.

Your collection, whatever it may be, can become just as nice as any of the beautiful exhibits you see at the shows if you will take the time to develop it and study your numismatics. Success is only one per cent luck and ninety-nine per cent hard work. When opportunity knocks on your door, the luck is in recognizing it, following through is foresight and wisdom.

(Editor's comments - Thanks, Lloyd, for an excellent article)

EX LIBRIS

Conclusion - November issue

Concerning the question whether it is better for coins to be gathered together in museums, under glass cases, where only students can handle them and study them closely, or whether it is better for them to circulate freely for the benefit of private collectors,

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there is much to commend and condemn on both sides. The plea for the private collector has perhaps been put most eloquently in the will of Edmond de Goncourt:-

"My wish is that my drawings, my prints, my curiosities, my books, those objects of art which have been the joy of my life - shall not be consigned to the cold tomb of a museum, and so laid out to the foolish glancing of the careless passer-by; but I will that all shall be dispersed by the hammer of the auctioneer, so that the pleasure which the acquiring of each one of them has given me shall be given once again, in every case, to some one, the inheritor of my own tastes."

In forming a collection of coins there are two golden rules to remember:

(i) Avoid diffusion: you cannot study your coins properly unless they are marshalled methodically in serried ranks, for there is no pleasure in looking at a trayful of jumbled coins, old mixed with new, East confused with West, etc.

(ii) See that all your pieces are in fine condition: remember that a coin catalogued at £5 in superb condition is worth a bare half-crown if badly worn, defaced, illegible. Moreover, one shabby specimen in a tray of otherwise presentable coins is like a poor relation at a party - it sheds a gloom around!

(The following are some definitions from Mr. Chamberlain's Book. Lib.)

Aes Grave: (heavy bronze) The earliest form of the as, weighing 1 lb., hence it was also known as the as libralis. The weight of the metal represented a real and not a token value.

Anchor Money: Small silver coins, struck in 1820 and 1822, for use in Mauritius and other British colonies. One-half, one-quarter, one-eighth and one-sixteenth of a dollar were issued. The reverse shows an anchor crowned.

Brockage: (allied to breakage) A coin imperfectly struck, applied especially to a coin struck on one side only. This is usually caused by a coin jamming in the die, thus interfering with the impression of succeeding coins.

Chop-marks: (Hind. chhap. an official mark on weights and measures; a customs-house stamp or seal showing duty paid) Up to recent times, the native merchants of Hong Kong and other South China ports impressed their private marks on all the dollars that passed through their hands, as a guarantee of genuineness. Such marks are known as "chop-marks", and a coin so marked is called a "chopped" coin. An unchopped dollar is known as a "clean" dollar.

George Noble: English gold coin of the reign of Henry VIII, and worth at the time 6/8d. On the reverse, St. George slaying the dragon, on the obverse, a ship with a Tudor Rose and large cross, and above, the initials H. K. (Henry and Katherine of Aragon). The coin is extremely rare; of the half-George noble, only one specimen is known.

Ghost Penny; Ghosting: English pennies of the first issue of George V (struck 1911-27) are popularly known as "ghost" pennies. They were of such poor workmanship that the obverse usually showed through on the reverse. Such phenomenon is known as "ghosting".

Gresham's Law: (from Gresham, a former English Master of the Mint and not, as is often supposed, from Sir Thos. Gresham). An axiom in economics that inferior money tends to drive superior money out of circulation, or in other words, "Bad money drives out good".
(Librarian's note:- It is believed that Copernicus the astronomer expounded this theory originally, although Mr. Chamberlain does not mention this in his book.)

NOTES FROM YOUR EDITOR

1968 Convention - Due to the unfortunate fire at Prudhomme's Garden Centre, St. Catharines could not confirm their invitation to us for holding the 1968 Convention at St. Catharines. Not having received confirmation from Toronto who thought they could "fill the gap" so to speak, we now ask any of our Coin Clubs in Ontario, if they would like to hold the "O. N. A. Convention 1968" in their town or city. PLEASE, if you have the facilities and some good hard workers, we would be "GLAD TO COME." Time is of the essence. May we hear from you early?

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Medals -

Last call for 1967 O. N. A. Convention Medals. 1967 medals are nearly all sold - please get your orders in soon - some are already out of stock - so there may be a delay in shipping until further orders from the medal supplier are received. January 31, 1968 will be the cut-off date.

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AWARD OF MERIT -

Nominations for Award of Merit for 1968 are now requested. Don't forget you must know someone who has helped build Numismatics over the years who YOU feel deserves public recognition. Please send us YOUR nominations NOW. It will help your committee if these are in early.

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MEMBERSHIP DUES!

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"Now is the time for all good members to come to the aid of the Association." No, you don't have to type this. Just send along your dues, N O W.

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AUDIO VISUAL -

Presentations are to be insured for \$50.00 instead of the former \$100.00, when returning them - Thanks - If any Club has any slides or tapes, etc. still on hand will they return them immediately as we are in constant need to ship them to other clubs. Thanks.

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The post of Display Case Service Director will be left vacant by the resignation of Frank Uttley. Until we can get a replacement there may be a temporary suspension of this service. It is important that this service be continued. Frank will assist anyone who is willing to take over this necessary position. We are looking for a volunteer. Can you help?

We have had another position left vacant by the transfer of our Secretary, Keith Middleton. We are sorry to see Keith go, but we are pleased that he is also getting a promotion and will be located at the main office in Winnipeg. We also extend our sympathy to Keith in the loss of his mother in October.

NEW MEMBERS

Applications published in the November issue of the Ontario Numismatist have now been accepted. The following applications have been received. If no written objections are received, their acceptance will be acknowledged in the January issue of the Ontario Numismatist:

- C59 INGERSOLL COIN CLUB, c/o Les Allsop, 249 Hall Street, Ingersoll, Ontario
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LM 7 - Walter Griggs - Brantford
LM 8 - Pat Lambert - St. Catharines

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PROJECT BRENDA

At the regular meeting of the Kingston Koin Klub on November 20, the members again pledged their support to Project Brenda, a programme planned to share the pleasures of coin collecting, and numismatics in general, with the crippled and handicapped of the Kingston area.

It was decided at this meeting that a container would be placed in a prominent location at all future meetings so that members could deposit their donations to what they consider, a most worthy endeavour. These items would consist mainly of minor duplicates, Foreign coins, coin books and supplies, etc. (Arthur Honour, Hamilton Coin Club, please note). The programme is planned to supply the above items to long term patients at the Ongada Children's Hospital and St. Mary's on the Lake, a hospital for incurables of all ages.

Among the patients at the latter, is a semi-paralytic bed patient who collects Military Badges and Shoulder Crests - anyone wishing to donate such items, please forward as I know they will be greatly appreciated by this young man. Brenda Villeneuve, for whom the project was named, is also confined to this Hospital.

It is further planned to give talks and present Numismatic films and slides at these two hospitals in an effort to create and foster an interest in our hobby, which I have been assured, could have great therapeutic value for many of the patients. Our plans also include bringing the hobby to those confined to their homes, whenever possible. For the members who are not yet familiar with Project Brenda, I would point out that this is a dual programme, with the Kingston club supporting the local endeavour and the C.N.V.C.A. conducting a similar programme by mail with members of Project Brenda living in many different parts of Canada and the U. S. A., yours truly being Director of both Projects.

Ricky Morse, O.N.A. member and C.N.V.C.A. Director for Ontario is a great supporter of Project Brenda and has been "plugging" it at the many Coin shows, clubs and conventions which he attends. At the annual event in Kingston he pledged a coin-a-day for one year, an offer that was matched by George Moulton, also a member of O.N.A. and the Kingston Koin Klub. Ricky's motto is: "HELPING IS HAPPINESS" which only goes to prove that you meet the nicest people in "Numismatics".

I firmly believe that any local club could adopt the idea of "Project Brenda" and conduct a successful programme with only a small effort on the part of each member, as for the part coin club members are serious and sincere people with compassion for those less fortunate than themselves. I dare hope that in the near future Project Brenda will be a familiar topic of conversation and have the support of all collectors wherever they may gather. This is a brief report written in a hurry to meet the Editor's deadline. Anyone desiring further information, please write, Jack Wallace,
203 University Avenue
Kingston, Ontario

The Executive of the C.N.V.C.A. and the Director of Project Brenda wish to express their thanks to the O.N.A. and especially to Pat Lambert, Editor of the Ontario Numismatist for the kind words about the Project, as well as donations of numismatic material from the following:

Bob Shillingworth	- dealer	- Central Coin Club
Eric Miller	- dealer	- Central Coin Club
Ricky Morse	- member	- Central Coin Club
George Moulton	- member	- Kingston Coin Klub
Eileen Caunce	- member	- Richmond Hill Coin Club
Wes Stark	- member	- Central Coin Club

NEWS FROM ONTARIO COIN CLUBS

REDFORD COIN CLUB

December Newsletter

Last meeting - December 10, 1967 - Election 1968 Executive
Theme: Christmas Silver Dollar Tree

Twenty-eight club members and four guests were in attendance at our November monthly meeting. Club President, Bill Sutor, welcomes one and all to what turned out to be an interesting and informative evening. Our guest speaker, Mrs. Norcen Fear, gave an illustrated talk on the hobby of Lapidary. She has been able to combine this hobby with a second one, namely camping. She has been able to pursue this particular hobby to a notable conclusion; decorative costume jewellery is one of the end results of this hobby. A second result, is the ever-widening circle of friends, and a mutual subject of conversation. Our speaker was introduced by Ernie Lightle and thanked by John Borchina. A nominating committee of three members of our club, namely Bill Sutor, Walter Griggs and John Borchina were authorized to bring to our December meeting a proposed slate of officers for the coming year. Further nominations can be made at our December meeting. At our December monthly meeting last year the club held a Christmas party with a Silver Dollar Draw from the Christmas Tree. This idea will be followed up again this year. A special lunch will be served under the chairmanship of Mrs. Bernice Wilkinson and other lady members of our club. Tom Savory has promised the members a most pleasant surprise, a new innovation to our membership. Finally, we have asked before, and we ask again, for any ideas or suggestions for the betterment of our club. We want suggestions, and can take any constructive criticism. Be active in your Club! As this is our December Bulletin, may I wish one and all Season's Greetings.

Ernie Lightle, Editor.

GREEN CITY COIN CLUB NEWS

The November meeting was held as usual at the Canadian Corps Hall, 17 Gale Crescent on Sunday afternoon, November 19, at 1:30 p. m. The absence of a bulletin in October was due to our Annual Banquet and Exhibition which was a big success. The "A" for effort goes to those few who spent many hours of preparation to insure our club of at least something even. Our Annual Banquet and Exhibition showed a nice profit. Comment on same was voiced at the November meeting. As a side comment, 115 people sat down at the banquet and as many enjoyed the auction which followed. We wish to mention that Victor Johnson published an excellent bulletin in September while our Editor was

vacationing. Mark is one of our Junior Club members. Displays at our November meeting were the last judged on our points system for this current year. There was a very interesting Quiz by Vic Snell during the afternoon. These are much enjoyed by all and certainly shows up our knowledge of Numismatics in general. Oh, one thing more -- our St. Catharines Coin Club Centennial Medallions will be available from now on. There were only 375 bronze medallions struck so anyone wishing one get in touch with our club.

HURONIA NUMISMATIC ASSOCIATION

Monthly meeting - Third Thursday

Seventh Annual Coin Show -- Saturday, April 27, 1968

November Newsletter - The next meeting of the Huronia Numismatic Association will be held on Thursday, November 16, 1967 at the Loyal True Blue Hall, High Street, Barrie, Ontario at 7:30 p. m. There will be a panel discussion on displaying at our Annual Coin Shows, and any questions you may have on judging or method of displaying will be answered by the panel. Your Editor and his family were on a trip to Expo this summer and acted as chaperones for a group of young people at a camp specially set up for this purpose. We took many pictures and the Executive at our last executive meeting thought these pictures would be enjoyed by our members. This lot of slides includes the camp as well as Expo itself. They will be shown after the business portion of the next meeting. Don't forget a donation to the club's coin display. Fifty cent or crown size coins are needed and this display will be given away as a prize at our annual coin show. Our door draw this month will be for the new type coin magnifying glass - batteries included. There will be a door charge of 25 cents to ALL members and guests over 16 years of age for this prize.

INGERSOLL COIN CLUB BULLETIN

The October Meeting - The regular monthly meeting on Monday, 16th was attended by 18 members and guests who enjoyed a talk and display by George Gray on "Medals on my Collections". Many agricultural medals that were unknown by the majority of the members were shown. His talk covered several medals and was of great interest to medal collectors in the club, drawing to their attention some of the lesser known medals as well as reviewing many of the medals of today. This meeting also attempted to nominate the slate of officers for the 1968 season, however failing to succeed it was left for the executive to complete this necessary task, the results of this executive meeting will be found after the listing of the November meeting. The Lucky draw prizes were a silver dollar won by Barbara Macnab and a Doon Village lucky token won by George Gray. The meeting concluded with an auction, Ralph Atkinson was auctioneer. The November meeting was on Monday, November 20 at which an audio visual from the C. N. A. Library on Trade Tokens of the Yukon was seen. This is a production of the Vancouver Numismatic Society. The date of the December meeting has been brought forward to December 6th to avoid the Christmas rush. We hope it will be a bumper meeting to finish this centennial year. The Y. M. C. A. Hobby Show held on November 10 and 11 was a tremendous success. The Coin Club participated by having a display and also by presenting prizes to the Junior contestants.

WHEATSTONE COIN CLUB

The Executive has asked Ricky Morse to hold a "Coin Quiz" at the next meeting with total participation from all members, dealers and executive. This has proved to make a very interesting meeting, and was very popular when undertaken some months previously.

CENTRAL COIN CLUB

At the last meeting of the Central Coin Club the speaker was John Regitko speaking on "Why I Collect Errors and Varieties". The club has a speaker every meeting with a different subject each time, and from the rounds of applause both the subjects and the speakers must be good. The Central Coin Club meets every Monday night at 8:00 p. m. on the second floor of 433 Yonge Street, just south of College Street in Toronto. We welcome visitors at any meeting.

OSHAWA COIN CLUB

November will see the new Executive nominated for 1968 as announced at the October meeting. The club, (often called "Canada's most Friendly Coin Club) hold their regular meetings on the fourth Sunday of every month in the Steelworker's Hall on Albert Street in Oshawa. Free coffee ... free doughnuts ... free bourse-tables and friendly good-fellowship are all part of the Oshawa Coin Club scene.

THE TRANSPORTATION TICKET AND TOKEN SHOW

This was held on November 4, 1967 and was perhaps the most educational numismatic show of the year ... with a huge roomful of transportation displays ... covering every section of the theme ... many of which had never been shown previously. American visitors from the American Numismatist Association were present, and expressed their pleasure with both the show, and the amazing number of displays. Both door prizes and raffle prizes were freely given out ... with Gordon Vansom winning the latest copy of Atwoods Catalogue. Transportation Ticket and Token Show results:

First Place and Best of Show - Ricky Morse
Second Place - Alan Weighell
Third Place - Wayne Thompson

KINGSTON KOIN KLUB CENTENNIAL SHOW

The Kingston Koin Klub reports a very successful show in every way with a large roomful of displays ... a most enjoyable banquet ... followed by C.N.V.C.A. Regional Director for the Province of Ontario, Ricky Morse, as the guest speaker. His subject was "Numismatic Displaying" with the theme of "goodfellowship in Numismatics". Jack Wallace and Ricky Morse brought Brenda Villeneuve, (of Project Brenda fame), from the hospital to the show in the afternoon, and, in her own words ... "I wish today would never end." Brenda was made a guest at the banquet, and later drew the tickets on the Lucky Draw. Fred Steele, editor of the club's bulletin, received a Gold Parker Pen from Ricky Morse in appreciation of his work for the club, and the hobby in general. Display Prize Winners: First: Ricky Morse, Second: Charles Miller, Third: Ricky Morse. Charles Miller also won a First in the other category and Allan Rickey won a prize with a display on J. F. Kennedy.

NIAGARA FALLS COIN CLUB

Meeting of November 8, 1967

One of the topics our President, Mr. Lloyd Hottot, spoke about was our gavel of which we are very proud. The gavel itself was made by Mr. George Sinclair of Niagara Falls, and was made from an Oak tree that stood at the corner of Lundy's Lane and Drummond Road. This same tree, when it was cut up after falling over was found to contain musket balls from the 1812 War. Ours is one of only three that Mr. Sinclair made and ours is the only one to have a striker plate. The striker plate was made this summer, just before Mr. Sinclair passed away. The new executive for the 1967 - 1968 term was elected. They are as follows:

President	- Mr. Lloyd Hottot	Directors	- Mrs. H. Tompkins
Vice-president	- Mr. Kenneth Sanderson		Mr. John Hughes
Secretary	- Mrs. Shirley Colley		Mr. Klaus Mueller
Treasurer	- Mrs. O. L. Daley		Mrs. Francis

Our guest for the evening was Mr. Pat Lambert, our district O. N. A. representative, who explained the workings of the O. N. A. to those who did not know and also what was available to us as a club. The door prize was won by Mr. Pete Kostyk and was a 1967 mint set. After the meeting was over, there was a very good auction which had a good supply of material, including a number of silver dollars. The next meeting will be held on Wednesday, December 13th.

Mrs. Shirley Colley, Secretary.

OAKVILLE COIN CLUB

At the November meeting of the Oakville Coin Club slides will be shown. These are on Canadian half dollars and foreign coins. Some important questions regarding the club for 1968 will be answered. The lucky draw prize will be a 1965 prooflike set, and a junior draw will also be held. The auction will conclude the meeting. Members are to bring their displays and coins for the auction.

Falk Becker, Editor.

PORT CREDIT COIN CLUB

Member of the Ontario Numismatic Association

Director-Editor: Mr. D. A. Gordon
3064 Jaguar Valley Drive,
Apt. 208, Cooksville, Ontario.

Our only meeting in December will be our Christmas Party, which will be held Tuesday, December 12, at 8:30 p. m. sharp. We have a very full evening planned, so plan to get there early. We have several guest speakers and quite a number of invited guests.

Mr. A. Munro will judge our members' coin displays. A number of the invited guests will be displaying parts of their collections. I think that all our members should be very interested. Don't forget this is the evening we will draw for the "gold set". Speaking of the gold set, will the holders of ticket numbers 92, 93, 94, 95, 96 and 100 please contact either myself or any member of the executive prior to the draw.

As promised in our October news bulletin, the following are the prices realized from the C. N. A. Convention auction (lots as listed in our bulletin)

<u>Lot Number</u>	<u>Realized Price</u>
335	\$750.00
1144	455.00
1527	365.00
1513	500.00
1538	480.00
1556	6,400.00
1625	500.00
1633	290.00
2006	136.50

FRESTON COIN CLUB - Meetings every fourth Monday in Anglican Church Parish Hall, Preston

Our Seventh birthday meeting was held November 27, 1967 with President, Mrs. Guenther, welcoming the members and guests with a twenty-five cent present. Our first door prize comprising a 1967 Mint Set was won by Mr. John Stuart. The second door prize a 1967 Centennial Set was won by Mrs. Bennett. The donation prize of a Christmas pudding was won by Mr. Howard Jenkins and a box of shortbread cookies was won by Mr. Joe Zajac. On a motion by Mrs. Guenther and seconded by Mr. Bill Willsman our \$10.00 renewal membership in the Ontario Numismatic Association is to be sent in. The O. N. A. slide set entitled "Canadian Coin Quiz Part 1" was projected by Mr. Ed Beckett with narrative read by Mr. Bill Wellsman. A lunch consisting of sandwiches, coffee and a birthday cake was provided. There will not be a meeting in December and seasons greetings were extended to all. Next meeting will be Monday, January 22, 1968. Memberships for 1968 are now due and available from Mrs. Kurt.

Ed Beckett, Secretary.

RICHMOND HILL COIN CLUB Date to remember: Wednesday, November 22, 1967
Regular Club meeting - Legion Court
Yonge Street North, Richmond Hill, Ontario
Doors open 7:00 p. m. - Meeting starts 8:00 p.m.

Last Meeting - The last meeting was held on Wednesday, October 18th. Regarding our meeting nights: it was necessary to have the meeting night changed last month because of the

election being held on that day and the Legion is not open on election nights. An error was made by the Legion officials, and consequently we had to take a Wednesday night again this month. We shall do our best to have this situation rectified before the December (Christmas Party) meeting. Please be sure to attend the November meeting for details about the big Party.

Twenty-seven members and four guests heard Mr. Robert Aaron's talk, with very picturesque slides as a complement, of his recent tour of Europe and with particular emphasis on his visits to many of the mints located there. I'm sure that all in attendance learned many things from Bob's talk and it was certainly a privilege for him to take time from his busy schedule to show his slides and talk to us. Also at the last meeting, a new twist was added to the auction through the ingenuity and generosity of member Bob Geer. He donated to the Club, ten lots to be auctioned off as "Grab Bags" and the bidder didn't know until the completion of the auctioneering of the lots, what exactly he had bought. The club profited by this gesture and the members present had fun bidding. Let's see some more ideas like this to help the Club. The executive has decided that the membership books of the Club should run for a calendar year, thus the 1967 memberships terminate as of December 31, 1967. You can get your 1968 membership at this meeting or in December, but after the New Year, the bulletin will be mailed only to those holding the 1968 membership card. Act now -- before it slips your mind.

Ivan Coles, Editor.

SARNL NUMISMATIC SOCIETY

November meeting - There were 22 members present. An open discussion on Grading of George V Coinage was led by President Phill Pratt and enthusiastically participated in by all the members present. The minutes of the September and October meetings were read and approved. Mrs. Bea Schieman reported on the Blue Water International Coin Show and there was a new member enrolled: #178 Wallace Child, 2703 Garfield Street, Port Huron. Appointments for Custodians of the Centennial Display in City Hall were made and nominations for the 1968 officers were received and further nominations will be received at the December meeting.

ST. THOMAS NUMISMATIC ASSOCIATION

Meeting Tuesday, November 14, 1967 at 7:30 p. m.

Special feature of the evening was the election. The first part of the evening will consist mainly of the election of officers for the 1968 season. It is hoped that everyone will be present to help elect the candidates to the various positions. At the last meeting it was decided to meet in the smaller room down the hall of the church. There will be two draws of a Bronze S-T-C-I- Medallion and a free door prize of THE BIG NICKEL. It is time again to think of renewing your membership with the club. We want to start early so we can fulfil our promise of this year to get 100 members by 1968. If you all pitch in and bring a friend along, we may do it as yet.

MEMO TO THE FOLLOWING COIN CLUB SECRETARIES

Hamilton Coin Club
Oakville Coin Club
Ingersoll Coin Club
Huronian Numismatic Association

Please Note- Your club news material is coming in a month late. It is going to Mrs. Claudia Pelkey who sends it to your President who sends it to me. By this time it is too late for the current bulletin. Please send it direct to me so I can keep YOUR club up to date in its news items, thanks.

The Editor.

THE CONVICT

Most well-managed coin clubs try to have an interesting meeting, with good speakers who truly have a knowledge on the subject upon which they are talking, and this keeps the Program Director "on his toes" trying to fill each meeting with a speaker that will meet with everyone's approval.

Our Program Director had announced the coming of a "surprise Speaker" who was an "expert" in his field. Many members wondered just which of the usual group of speakers this coming guest had been selected from, and many were the guesses on what his subject would entail.

Finally, the evening for our "surprise Speaker" arrived to find the audience larger than usual with numerous guests in attendance. The President introduced the Program Director, who, in turn, would introduce the Speaker of the evening. Previously, we had all looked around for some well-known person that we'd either heard or heard-of in the past.

Then we heard the words: "Ladies and Gentlemen. I have promised you Speaker tonight who is an expert in his field ... and this man is an expert. He was a convict ... but, he has paid for his crimes. His specialty was robbing the coin collectors. He will now tell you how he did it, and what you should guard against so that you won't come home some evening to find you've had "Visitors."

The slim, well-dressed man began to speak ... with an English accent, and I watched the people in the crowd ... especially those of English extraction to see their reaction to this honoured Speaker. Everyone looked uncomfortable ... some with "longer" faces than others ... as he outlined his adventures.

At the end of the speech the Program Director admitted to the people that the whole thing was a hoax, and that the guest Speaker was only a fellow worker in the same company as himself. This was followed by laughter and much applause (as well as many sighs of relief from both dealers and collectors alike). We shall always remember the night a "convict" spoke to us.

(Sent in by R. M. #592)

COMING EVENTS

April 27, 1968 The Huronia Numismatic Association (C.17) will be holding their Seventh Annual Coin Show on Saturday, April 27, 1968 at The Continental Inn, at the junction of Highway 400 and Dunlop Street East, Barrie, Ontario, from 12:00 noon until 11:00 p. m. All enquiries may be addressed to the Chairman, Box 243, Barrie, Ontario.

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..... Here it is again ... another bulletin ready to be "put to bed" as our newspaper friends say (no, Lambert is not getting any "big" literary ideas!) ... another large bulletin, thanks to so many of you kind folks from all over the province and beyond, who so faithfully send us the material ... To Ernie, Ricky, Cy, Les, Shirley, Falk, Ed., D. A. G., Ivan, Lloyd, etc., etc. a big sincere thank you .. To Ex Libris editor, to President Bill -- a hearty vote of thanks for your co-operation in making our "job" a whole lot easier .. it only remains for me to wish, to one and ALL,

A Merry Christmas and A Happy New Year

From all at Our House to all at Your House
So long until January, 1968. "Ye Ed."