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## MAKE IT HAPPEN IN '78

Behind the scenes in many coin clubs, members are fervently getting details on their forthcoming coin show in order so as not to overlook any errors or taking the time now to make any changes necessary to ensure a smooth running operation.

For many clubs, the annual show is the time to take stock and see how their club has progressed. It is time also to see if the club can make a profit to pay the bills until the next show.

One of the most important ingredients for a smooth running operation is manpower or people power. For without helpful members, no show can be successful. It takes a lot of people, doing a variety of jobs that make a successful show. And they must be dedicated people who will work hard to make sure the jobs they are doing will be done with a high degree of success.

This year is the first time a move is afoot to celebrate National Coin Week in Canada. The Canadian Numismatic Association has written about it to their members and it has been published within the pages of the Numismatist. Here is an opportunity to promote the concepts of National Coin Week within your local show by publicizing this great event. Make people aware of numismatics. Encourage young adults by showing them how to display. Make one of your bulletins available to your public library and to the bulletin boards in your local schools.

The success or failure of any show depends on YOU. National Coin Week depends on YOU. This is your opportunity to get into the limelight and work for numismatics. Enthusiasm encourages participation.

Ed

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DESIGNERS OF CANADIAN DECIMAL COINAGE

The decimal coinage of Canada rank among the world's finest, being created by some of the foremost designers in the British Empire. Many were artists and became professionals in the field of coin designing. The prime reason for this paper is to relate some of the background of these designers and their coins. Information regarding gold, Olympic and Newfoundland coinage are not included.

Following the formation of the Dominion of Canada, decimal coins were issued in 1870. The Canadian coinage of 1858 and 1870 to 1901 was designed by Leonard C. Wyon of England. He designed both obverse and reverse of the 1¢, 5¢, 10¢, 20¢ 25¢, and 50¢ coins. The reverses of these coins show the laurel wreath and Royal Crown enclosing the denomination, "CANADA" and date. For the obverses of the 25¢ and 50¢ pieces, Wyon introduced a crowned head copied from a bust by William Theed. Wyon was Chief Engraver of the Royal Mint from 1851 till his death in 1891. His initials "L.C.W.", when they occur, are under the truncation of the bust. The reverses are unsigned.

The coinage of Edward VII were designed by George William DeSaulles. For the obverses, he used a crowned bust of the King, while that of the cent being a beaded circle. His initials "G.W.D." appear under the truncation of the bust. All coinage was struck at the Heaton Mint in London, England prior to 1908. The legend on the obverse reads "Edwardvs Dei Gratia Rex Imperator". DeSaulles was apprenticed to a die maker in Birmingham and became an Engraver at the Royal Mint in 1892. Silver coins from 1908 to date have upright reverses.

Frederick Lewis designed the reverse of the small cent which was introduced in 1920. He was a designer at the Ottawa mint, but little else is known about him. His initials do not appear on the coin. The reverse shows two maple leaves, the value and date.

The reverse of the five cent nickel was W.H.J. Blakemore's design. It was issued initially in 1922 and the design continued until 1936. His coins are all unsigned. He also cut the master dies for the reverses of all Canadian coins from 1903 to 1930 including the gold, except the dollars. The nickel reverse shows the value above two maple leaves and the date.

In 1935 Canada's first circulating silver dollar was issued. It was a commemorative marking the 25th year of the reign of King George V.

Percy Metcalfe was the designer. The bust is not truncated as on the other coins but comes right down to the border. He was an eminent English artist. Metcalfe's initials do not appear on the coin. The obverse depicts the crowned head of George V. Mintage of this coin was over 428,000 and metal content is .800 silver.

Sir Bertram MacKenna designed the obverses of all Canadian coinages of George V (1911 to 1936). For these coins, one cent to fifty cents, a crowned bust of the King, designed and modelled by MacKenna, was used. His initials "B.M." appear under the truncation of the bust. MacKenna was born in Australia in 1863 and died during 1931. He studied sculpture in many countries.

T. Humphrey Paget was the designer of the George VI obverse coinage. The uncrowned head of George VI surrounded by the wording, "Georgivs VI D:G: Rex Et. Ind: Imp." appears on all Canadian coins of this King. During his reign, no silver dollars were minted from 1940 to 1944. In 1948, the wording "Et Ind. Imp." was dropped from the inscription due to India being granted independence. His initials "H.P" are located under the truncation of the bust. T. H. Paget was born in 1893 in England and joined the staff of the Royal Mint as a medallist and sculptor.

Emanuel Hahn designed the ten cent "Bluenose", the twenty five cent "Caribou" and the "Voyageur" dollar. He also designed a special commemorative dollar in 1939, for the Royal Visit of that year. The "Bluenose" 10¢ coin was introduced in 1937 and is still being used on this year's coinage. His last initial "H" is located on the left side of the vessel below the ship's bow. The 25¢ piece depicts a Caribou head and his initial "H" is located at the base of the animal's neck. The silver dollar portrays the famous "Voyageur" type with an Indian and Frenchman travelling in a canoe. Hahn's initials "E.H" appear on the left below the canoe. ~~XXXXXX~~ The 1939 dollar depicts the Center Block and Peace Tower of the Parliament Buildings. His initials do not appear on the coin. Hahn was born in Germany in 1881 and became a world famous sculptor.

Stephen Trenka designed the reverse of the 1951 5¢ piece commemorating the bicentenary of the chemical isolation of nickel. It shows a refinery building with the dates 1751 - 1951. His initials "S.T" appear on the right just under the building. Trenka also designed the reverse of the 1951 dollar featuring the totem pole. It commemorates the centennial of British Columbia as a crown colony.

His initials appear at the bottom of the totem.

George Kruger Gray designed the reverses for the 1¢, 5¢, and 50¢ coins. All were minted in 1937. The one cent shows two twig leaves, the date and value. The five cent coin depicts the national animal of Canada, a beaver which represents our country's hard working people. His initials "K.G." are located to the left beside the island. The fifty cent coin shows the Canadian Coat of Arms with the date and value. Gray's initials are shown separately on either side of the crown. Kruger Gray was born in 1881 and was a London painter and famous engraver.

Thomas Shingles, a Mint Engraver, designed the reverse of the "war" nickel issued from 1943 - 1945. It depicts the letter "V" and a torch conjoined, emblematic of victory. His initials "T.S." appear at the bottom of the "V". Shingles designed the reverse of the 50¢ coin showing the new Coat of Arms in 1959. His initials are located above the inscription. Shingles' greatest achievement was his design of the 1949 dollar struck to commemorate the entry of Newfoundland into Confederation. The coin depicts John Cabot's ship, the "Matthew" with the date and value. Shingles was born in England, 1903 and was appointed Engraver of the Mint in 1939.

Mary Gillick of England designed the laureated figure of Queen Elizabeth II. It is a graceful portrait showing the head and shoulders. A light wreath of laurel binds her softly waved hair. The inscription reads "Elizabeth II Dei Gratia Regina". The Gillick design remained on all of Canada's coins from 1953 to 1964. Mrs. Gillick was born in England in 1881. She was a sculptress and studied this subject at the Royal College of Art. She designed many famous memorials and specialized in medals.

The designer of the 1964 silver dollar was Dinko Vodanovic. It was issued to mark the centenary of the Charlottetown and Quebec Conferences of 1864. The design consists of a circle within which are the conjoined English Rose, Irish Shamrock, Fleur-de-lis and Scottish Thistle. His initials "D.V" appear just outside the circle above the word "Quebec". Vodanovic was a Yugoslavian artist who emigrated to Canada in 1951 and settled in Montreal.

Arnold Machin was the designer of the new obverse portrait of Queen Elizabeth II in 1965. This portrait shows a more mature Queen and she is seen wearing a diamond tiara of festoons, scrolls and collet-spikes. The coin was initially struck on a flat field, but this

shortened the life of the die, so a more concave coin was struck. The gown and fold of her dress are even more prominent than the previous design. Machin was born in Stoke-on-Trent in 1911 and held many posts in connection with art teachings and sculpturing.

Alex Colville designed the reverses for the 1967 centennial coinage including the one cent to silver dollar. Wildlife designs were used for all denominations to commemorate one hundred years of Canada's Confederation. The one cent portrays a dove in flight; five cents - a rabbit; ten cents - a sleek mackerel; twenty five cents - a wildcat; fifty cents - a howling wolf; silver dollar - a Canada goose in flight. Colville's initials do not appear on any of the coinage. He was born in Toronto in 1920 but grew up in New Brunswick where he became an outstanding painter.

In 1968 silver coins were replaced by nickel. This was due to the rapid rise in the price of silver bullion. The size of the fifty cent piece and dollar was reduced, and the reductions of the designs were done by Myron Cook. Cook's initials do not appear on the coinage. He was employed as an Engraver at the Royal Canadian Mint in Ottawa.

Beginning in 1970 the Canadian coinage was graced with some commemorative dollars both in nickel and in .500 fine silver. The reverse of the 1970 nickel dollar was designed by an artist from Scarborough, Raymond Taylor. It commemorates the centennial of Manitoba and the reverse shows a crocus plant. His initials "R.T" appear on the right side of the crocus stem.

A former Mint engraver, Thomas Shingles, designed the reverse of the 1971 nickel dollar. It commemorates the centennial of British Columbia into Confederation and features the arms of the province surmounted by dogwood blooms. Shingles' initials "T.S" are shown below the arms. The inscriptions BRITISH COLUMBIA, CANADA and DOLLAR are separated by small maple leaves and enclose the dates 1871 - 1971.

The 1971 silver dollar was designed by Patrick Brindley, a former Engraver of the Royal Canadian Mint. The reverse side features the official coat of arms of British Columbia and was issued to commemorate the 100th anniversary of the province's entry into Confederation. This was the first silver dollar struck since 1967 and the designer's initials do not appear on the coin.

The reverse of the 1973 nickel dollar was designed by Terry Mannin, an artist from Morell, P. E. I. The design depicts a replica of the

Province House, P.E.I. Provincial Legislative Building. His initials "T.M" appear to the left of the building. This reverse die was cut by Walter Ott, assistant Mint Engraver.

Paul Cedarberg was the designer of the 1973 commemorative twenty-five cent piece and silver dollar. The 25¢ piece had the caribou head replaced by a design illustrating a mounted member of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police - this being their Centennial year. It shows a member of the force wearing a ceremonial dress and carrying a lance with pennon attached. Cedarberg's initials "P.C" appear behind the horse's back legs. The silver dollar depicts a mounted member of the North West Mounted Police on patrol at the turn of the century.

The 1974 nickel and silver dollars honour the 100th anniversary of the founding of the City of Winnipeg. The reverse design of this coin depicts two views of the corner of Portage Avenue and Main Street. One as it appeared in 1874 and the second as it appears today. Paul Pederson, a Winnipeg artist, was the designer of this coin. His initials "P.P" appear above the date 1874-1974. Patrick Brindley re-engraved the original design of Pederson.

Donald D. Paterson designed the 1975 silver dollar reverse struck to commemorate the 100th anniversary of Calgary, Alberta. The reverse portrays a cowboy and bucking bronco symbolic of the Calgary Stampede. In the background is the city skyline and oil derricks which refers to the petroleum industry of Canada. The initials of Paterson "D.D.P" are shown to the left of the bronco's hooves. Don Paterson is a Graphics designer and briefly studied under Emanuel Hahn at the Ontario College of Art.

The 1976 silver dollar was issued to commemorate the 100th anniversary of the completion of construction for the Library of Parliament. The words "CANADA" and "DOLLAR" are above the building and the dates 1876 - 1976 are shown above. Patrick Brindley and Walter Ott, both mint engravers, were the designers of this coin. Brindley's initial "B" appear to the left of the building under the letter "C" in CANADA. Ott's initials "W/O" are located below the letter "R" in DOLLAR.

In summary, I have attempted to describe all of the coin designs that were done by the many designers of Canadian coinage. Little information concerning the background of the designers are available but it is hoped that the reader will be somewhat wiser from the above material and maybe, do further research on the subject.

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Signed Paul Johnson, Toronto  
O.N.A. #772

(I would like to take this opportunity to thank Paul for this article which, incidently, has helped me to get back on schedule, Ed)

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR:

Dear Mr. Editor,

Once again it is drawing near to Convention time, and one of our most important items is the Presentation of the Award of Merit I am asking you if you would be so kind as to include in your next issue of the Ontario Numismatist, the enclosed application form for any nominations for this distinguished award. I fully realize our members do not wish to mutilate their bulletins, so please just print out in rough form, your nominations, making sure you state your reasons and get one other member to co-sign your paper before sending it to me for consideration.

As these nominations are left sealed until a few weeks before the Convention it is too late to return any with only one signature - it has happened in the last two years - let us complete the papers as requested and mail them to reach me by April 30th, 1978.

Thanking you for giving me this valuable space,

Yours sincerely,

Signed W. E. Pat Lambert  
Chairman Award of merit  
Committee

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DEFINITION OF A VICE-PRESIDENT: Leaps short buildings in a single bound

- is more powerful than a switch engine
- is just as fast as a speeding bullet
- walks on water if the sea is calm
- Talks with God

(See next month's Numismatist for the definition of a Treasurer

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In a NEWS RELEASE from the City of Ottawa Coin Club, it is reported that their show is slated to be held on May 27th and 28th, 1978, at the RA Centre, Riverside Drive, Ottawa. Local and out of town dealers are welcome Come - join us in beautiful Ottawa. The club will have a unique wooden piece to promote the show. Ah, tulip time in Ottawa.

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## **NEWS FROM AROUND THE CLUBS**

THE INGERSOLL COIN CLUB'S MONTHLY BULLETIN is chock full of numismatic information. In an editorial, Stella Hodge paid tribute to the late Alan Macnab and his involvement with the Kiwanis Club and the Crippled Children Easter Seals. January speaker was Mr. Tom Masters, the President of the club. Thanks was paid to Lloyd Smith for his typing of the master copies. Stella asked everyone for their support in 1978 to make the club bigger.

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CITY OF OTTAWA COIN CLUB'S Bulletin featured a story on Sheldon S. Carroll, Honourary President by Ruth McQuade. The editor reminds the members that dues are due. January speaker was Mr. Cudahy, Production Manager of the Royal Canadian Mint. The film he showed portrayed coin production from bars to coins in bags. The film showed all three mints. A feature of the Ottawa bulletin is a public relations report showing various publications in which the club is mentioned. An article by J. Douglas Ferguson appeared in the Dec. 7th edition of Coin World, on our own Ruth McQuade's book, "The Badge of the Baronets of Nova Scotia."

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Dr. DOUGLAS D. HUNTER, Chairman of the Ontario Group of the Canadian Paper Money Society will be the guest speaker at the NORTH YORK COIN CLUB'S monthly meeting. His subject will be Canadian Tire Money. At the Christmas Party, we were hosts to Richmond Hill Coin Club, Thistle-town Coin Club and the Newmarket Coin Club. 65 members and guests attended. O.N.A. President Bruce R. Watt performed the installation of officers for 1978. A numismatic Name Game was introduced by George Fraser. The prize winners were Mrs. Alice Wilkinson, Mrs. Hazel Munro, Mr. John Smith, Mrs. June Clark, Mrs. John Smith and Mr. F.C. Jewett.

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THE HURONIA NUMISMATIC ASSOCIATION'S Bulletin featured an auction list which will become a regular feature. All articles listed will be on the auction block at the meeting. President Ken Prophet understands Chinese better now so we will be having our second Chinese Auction, proceeds of which will go to the Simcoe Rescue Squad as a donation. At the last meeting Don Owens won the attendance draw, and Cec. Sharpe and Bill Gage were appointed to conduct the audit and report back. The big thing coming up is the Annual Mini Show in February and Ken Prophet reports everything going fine.

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The Story of Jaroslav F. Huta was the feature story in the Toronto Coin Club's Monthly Newsletter. John Regitko, the editor, took his readers from the introduction, to the man himself, his background and to his achievements. Pictures of Mr. Huta's designs also accompanied the story. There was also an invitation to tender on the front page with the deadline slated for January 31, 1978. This is for the auction in conjunction with the annual show to be held on September 16, 1978.

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## PROPOSED COIN SHOWS

The following are the "ANNUAL COIN SHOWS" proposed for the next few months, that we received notices for, or taken from CLUB BULLETINS. We advise you to check this list as you debate the date of your Club's show, to ensure that your date does not conflict with another show.

- February 18 - Huronia Numismatic Association's Mini Coin Show at the Bayfield Mall, Bayfield St., Barrie, Ontario. For info write: Box 243, Barrie, Ontario. L4M 4T2  
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- February 25 North York Coin Club's Annual Show and White Elephant Sale, 5090 Yonge St., Willowdale, Ontario. Information from: Box 294, Station "A", Willowdale, Ont. M2N 5P0  
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- Mar. 10-11-12 - Canadian Association of Numismatic Dealers spring Convention at the Sheraton-Mount Royal Hotel Info: Al Bliman, Executive Secretary, Box 3145, Stn. "D" Willowdale, Ontario. M2R 3G5  
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- March 12 - Hamilton Coin Club's Annual Show at the IOOF Unity Hall, 64 Wellington St., N. Hamilton. Information: Tom Minnes, 14 Locke St., S. Hamilton. L8P 3Z8.  
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- APRIL 16th to the 22nd - a week to remember - CANADA COIN WEEK - Make it happen -  
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- Apr. 27,28,29,30 TOREX '78 at the Westbury Hotel, 475 Yonge St., Toronto. Info from: R.P. Findlay, Box 28, King City.  
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- June 2 - 3 - 4 Ontario Numismatic Association's 16th Annual Convention hosted by the St. Catherine's Coin Club, at Prudhommes Garden Centre. For information on the Convention write to the Association at Box 33, Waterloo, Ontario. N2J - 2Z6

Further information on these and other shows coming your way will be published in later editions. Support Numismatics by attending as many shows as you can.

## PERSONALITIES IN THE NEWS

- Paul Johnson - For giving up his leisure time (which today seems to disappear fast) to devote his time, his resources and his ability to spread the numismatic word around the province.  
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MEMBERSHIP

At the Annual Convention of the Ontario Numismatic Association, the Coveted Award of Merit is awarded to the person in Ontario who has made the greatest contribution towards the advancement of numismatics. In 1967 the AWARD OF MERIT was given to:

Mr. James E. Charlton

The Convention was hosted by the Waterloo Coin Society. Mr. Charlton came by his award through the hard road of being dealer, author, publisher and speaker. The wealth of experience, the ready acceptance to talk anywhere in the Province and his easy manner, proves Mr. Charlton is indeed a true Numismatist.

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With Convention time just a short time away (time does fly past fast) it is well to reflect for a few minutes on the host club. The St. Catharines Coin Club was formed by Vic Snell, Walter Borowski and Bernard Cook. A conversation between the three men led to the ultimate goal - a successful coin club. Mr. J.E. Charlton was the first guest speaker at the first annual coin show. The Club emblem was adopted from the Davis Lumber Totem Pole and on February 19, 1961, Mr. E. Victor Snell was presented with a life membership in recognition of his activities in founding the club and his active participation and leadership since the club was founded.

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DID YOU KNOW- - - - that during Canada's Centennial Year, the 1967 President elect of the Ontario Numismatic Association was - W. English.

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THE CHARLES B. LAISTER TROPHY is given to the club with the best display. It is not too early to get your members involved in putting together a club display for the Convention. Make it hard on the past winners. We should have displays from at least six or more clubs.

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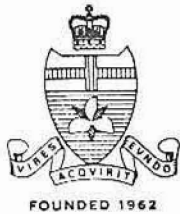
THE FRONT PAGE: There has to be some changes made in the names on the front page of the Ontario Numismatist, but due to having surplus copies, this has been put off until they were used up. Next month you will note the new changes.

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### *AUDIO VISUAL by Charles Laister*

The director of the Audio Visual department is Charles Laister, Highway #3, Tillsonburg, Ontario. He will be happy to answer any inquiries you care to send him and he will be happy to suggest a program for your club. Remember, this service is for the member clubs and the only way it can be successful is for the full use of its facilities. Write NOW and set up a program for your next meeting.

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EDITORIAL COMMENT

As your editor, it has been my privilege to report to you, our members, the numismatic scene as I see it. The year is young, but already there has been a lot of activity in Numismatics. We have received a number of letters dealing with our front page article in the January, 1978 issue. Letterwriters were enthusiastic about Canada Coin Week '78, but one letter writer took issue with the way the last issue was published. Sometimes misinformation can take a wrong track as it did in this case, and ended with negative thinking. Copies of a story submitted for publication should be camera ready which means the original (or copy as the case may be) should be perfect in every detail. Sometimes this is impossible as the original may be from another photocopy. In a case like this, the printer can apply all the ink he wants to, but with very little results. The only other way around this situation would be to re-type the information thus creating more originals. But since time was of the essence, the story was submitted and the results did not turn out to well. But aside from this is the generosity of the members who took the time and trouble to send me the story so that you the reader could read it. So, no matter what your story looks like, we will gladly accept it.

Due to space limitations pictures that were to be included in this issue will be in the March issue.

Coin Week Canada '78 will shortly be here. What are you doing to promote the hobby? Exhibit and show your hobby at the forthcoming shows. Talk about numismatic to your friends. Increase participation by attending regularly the club of your choice. Help numismatics grow by taking an active part. YOU will be better for it.

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WHAT'S IN A NAME

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The capital of the Province of Nova Scotia, Halifax acquired its name on July 18, 1749. The Indian name was "Chebookt" meaning, "Chief Harbour", or Great Long Harbour". Halifax was known as Chebucto up to the year 1749 when it was changed to "Halifax" in honour of Lord Halifax, then President of the English Board of Trade. Halifax was declared a free port in 1817 and was incorporated in the year 1841.

Old Halifax still contains the richest evidence of British heritage in North America. In 1749, Col. Edward Cornwallis arrived with 2576 settlers to found the first British settlement in Canada. As you stand on the water's edge, you can imagine the days of sailing ships, Schooners, sloops and clipper ships plied the harbour, and a forest of masts, bowsprits and jib booms bobbed the wharves along the waterfront. Later, great steamships joined the traffic in the harbour, bringing wealth to an enterprising Haligonian, Samuel Cunard.

For the collector of Canadian Paper Money, the City of Halifax provides an interesting challenge. This area of collecting falls within my deepest numismatic interest, and indeed fortunate is he who owns just one example of each of the currency issuing institutions. Almost all the issues are in the very rare category, particularly those of the Halifax Banking Company and the Union Bank of Halifax.

The Halifax Banking Company or Collins Bank was a private bank incorporated in 1872 and operated from 1825 to 1903 when it was absorbed by the Canadian Bank of Commerce. Built in 1823, this is the oldest bank structure in Canada. Although the bank was reputed to be impregnable, two robberies occurred, one in 1829 and one in 1849. The bank was established by Capt. Enos Collins, who had become wealthy from the proceeds of his privateer, the "Liverpool Packet" a converted slaver and pirate ship, which was legendary along the New England coast. With only \$4,597.18 in notes outstanding it is obvious that very few remain in the hands of collectors today.

The union Bank of Halifax was established in 1856 and operated successfully until 1910 when it was absorbed by the Royal Bank of Canada. Not much of the bank's history is known, although we do know that the note issues are very rare. My personal records indicate that only three issued notes are in private collections, but a few proof notes become available from time to time.

Other Halifax Banking institutions include the Peoples Bank of Halifax founded in 1864, Merchants Bank of Halifax established in 1869, Bank of Nova Scotia founded in 1832 and the Mercantile Banking Corporation.

The Bank of Nova Scotia opened its doors to the public on August 29, 1832 in rooms in John Roman's building at the corner of Granville and Duke Streets, Halifax. This served as the bank's headquarters until its own head office building was erected on Hollis Street in 1837. The bank's first issue of notes in August of 1832 are extremely rare and were issued in five denominations; 1/10/- (one pound, ten shillings), 2 pound, 2/10/- (Two pound ten shillings), 5 pound, and 10 pound. The 10 pound notes are of particular interest for the head and shoulder portrait appearing thereon is thought to be that of William Lawson, the bank's first president. It is also interesting to note that about 1820 William Lawson issued his own currency as did John Albro & Co., John H. Barry, H.H. Cogswell, A Cunard and Son, Adam Esson and quite possibly others.

I am of the personal opinion that all of this currency is extremely rare, grossly underpriced and bears searching for.

As mentioned earlier, Halifax was incorporated as a city in 1841. As a result of annexation carried out in 1969, the city increased its population by a third and quadrupled its size, making it the largest city in the Maritimes. With a population of over 120,000 Halifax is the centre of an area whose immediate population is rapidly approaching the population "plateau" of 250,000 people. Already the effects of this significant "plateau" are being realized as the market demands of the population are beginning to produce a self-regenerative economy.

In closing I might add that Nova Scotia is the only Province of Canada to possess through Royal Charter, a flag of its own. The flag of Nova Scotia traces its origin to the Charter of New Scotland granted in 1621 to Sir William Alexander by King James VI of Scotland and England.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR:

Dear Bill

Hello there, long time no see, but yes I am still alive and kicking, also still pushing to start a Coin Club here.

To this end I am using the theme: "Canada Coin Week 1978" as an introduction to all interested in joining me in such an venture.

I have already laid the foundation for my start up to this week, by having the enclosed front page article, published in our local newspaper's weekly supplement.

As reported I have reserved space in the local library and will have on display

- A Storing & Keeping Collections
- B Type Collecting
- C Theme Collecting
- D Specialized Reference Material

The reason for this letter, is mainly for your reference, after reading the front page of January Bulletin, also to keep in touch with my old friends down East. I still retain my membership in the O.N.A., which is one thing Denise neglected to state in the article.

If you wish to utilize this article or any part of it, in the Numismatist please feel free, as I can use all the publicity I can get, no matter where it comes from.

Bye and good luck in Numismatics.

Signed, "Edward A. Gordon"  
(Tony)

"It is indeed a type of letter we all look forward to receiving, particularly from someone using his time and energy to further the cause of Numismatics. Ed)

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DAFFY DEFINITIONS: Treasurer: Lifts buildings and walks under them - Kicks locomotives off the tracks - catches speeding bullets in his mouth and eats them - freezes water with a single glance - He is God (Take a good look at your Treasurer next time and see if he fits the part, Ed) Next month - We have a definition for Secretaries - Watch for it.

SHOW NEWS:

Pat Lambert regrets to inform the membership that Mrs. Gaver has cancelled her participation in the auction that was to be conducted by Frank Rose. Fortunately and with a great deal of pride we wish to inform you that Charles D. Moore has taken over the auction. There will still be a Two Session auction, the first one to be on Friday, June 2 from 1 to 5 p.m, followed thereafter by a wine and cheese party. The second session will be on Saturday, June 3rd, from 1. to 5 p.m. On behalf of the executive and members of the Ontario Numismatic Association we feel honoured in having Charles D. Moore, conduct our auction.

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ACCOMMODATION: We are informed that accommodation at the Prudhommes Garden Centre is limited and you are advised to get your reservations in NOW. DO NOT SEND RESERVATIONS TO THE CLUB. All reservations are to be sent to the convention site with a \$15.00 deposit. Those pre-registering will get convention rates. For further details and the address to reserve your rooms: Mr. McMurray, Prudhommes Garden Center. Vineland, Station, Ontario.

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CONVENTION DRAWS: We have for you and your club wonderful news on how you can participate in these draws, but first let me tell you what the draws are:

FIRST PRIZE: A trip for two by HALCYON DAYS TRAVEL, Oshawa & Brantford

Second Prize: Canadian Mint Presentation Set

Third Prize: Canadian Mint Presentation Set.

Now, here is how your club can benefit. Tickets sell for .50¢ each or 3 for \$1.00. For each book sold, your club will receive 50¢. So the more books you and your sell, the more money the treasury of your club will receive. But, hurry. Time is fast approaching for the greatest convention in Numismatic Circles.

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YOUR ASSOCIATION:

President Bruce R. Watt has announced the "President's Personality Man of the Month as:

THOMAS MASTERS - 2nd Vice-President - Librarian  
and Director of Area #1

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AWARD OF MERIT: In 1968 no Award of Merit was announced at the Convention held in Kitchener. Very important items came out at this convention for it was here that the O.N.A. inaugurated Life Memberships.

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WATCH FOR NEXT MONTH'S BULLETIN when we will have exciting news for you on our forthcoming convention. Plan now to attend by booking early.

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1978 AWARD OF MERIT  
NOMINATION

We would like to submit the following Numismatist for the most coveted "Award of Merit, of the Ontario Numismatic Association."

SIGNATURE..... ADDRESS.....

NAME.....

SIGNATURE..... ADDRESS.....

NAME.....

The following are some of the reasons for our Nomination - (List achievements, Special services, writing, Research, Advancement of Numismatics.)

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(Please use separate sheet if necessary)

- RULES:      Nomination:
1. Resident of Ontario.
  2. Summary to be included.
  3. Closing date April 30th, 1978.

MARK ENVELOPE: "Award of Merit" and mail to Award of Merit Chairman,  
W.E.P. Lambert, P.O. Box 311, St. Catharines, Ontario. L3R 6T7

IMPORTANT: Make sure two signatures are on your nomination form as tw are required. Members not wishing to mutilate their copies of the Numismatist, make take the necessary information down on plain paper and mail it to Pat Lambert, but make sure YOU HAVE TWO SIGNATURES.

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William Gage,  
RR#1 Shanty Bay, Ontario,  
LOL 2L0

15 Feb 78

Dear Mr Gage

May I condemn the last numismatist

Realize that you are doing your best, but the photo-copy is bad granted a couple of pages are i e. page 11' which should be 110 to 115 are not printed proper page 112 bottom of page (cannot translate writer's remarks) signed the reverse of the (cannot decipher)

Translated Trenka also designed the reverse of the 1955 dollar.

Would you kindly tell your printer to use ink

Sorry but I must make a noise on this

Signed

Yours truly  
Mel Fiske  
ONA L.M. 29

## Association News:

### MEMBERSHIP

#### NEW MEMBERS:

The following applications have been received and if no written objections are received, their acceptance will be acknowledged in the April issue of the Ontario Numismatist.

- 1069 Victor Garber, 96 Riddelle Ave., Toronto, Ontario. M6B IJ6  
1070 Mrs. Kris Lefor, c/o Box 984, Windsor, Ontario  
1071 B.A. Walker, RR#1 Carlsbad Springs, Ontario KOA IKO  
1072 Fredk. P. Webb, 1202 Arlington Ave., Sarnia, Ontario. N7S 3T8  
J1073 Michel Surprenant, 628 Rue McGill, Hawkesbury, Ontario. K6A IR3  
J1074 Lee Ellison, 154 Cook Street, Barrie, Ontario  
J1075 Stuart Wilson, 28 Mallard Place, Chatham, Ontario. N7L 4A6  
1076 Larry Newton, P.O. Box 77, Clifford, Ontario. NOG IMO  
1077 Mrs. Larry DiMaria, C/O Larry's Coins, P.O. Box 1244, Kemptville, Ontario  
1078 Public Archives of Canada, Library Acquisitions, 395 Wellington St.,  
Ottawa, Ontario. KIA ON3  
1079 Ian A. Marshall, 2350 Dundas St., W., #1612, Toronto, Ontario M6P ICO  
1080 Mrs. Jean M. Taft, Box 1184, Bancroft, Ontario KOL JCO  
1081J Miss Tracey Voigt, 8 Talbot Street, Delhi, Ontario N4B IZ6

The following members have been transferred from regular membership to Life Membership.

- LM 46 Robert Armstrong, Owen Sound, Ontario, N4K 5P5  
LM 47 William K. Cross, Toronto, Ontario  
LM 48 Ross Hartoon, Sarnia, Ontario  
LM 49 Richard Matte, Sudbury, Ontario.

Some of the above applications should have been published sooner, but due to my regular job which has required a lot of overtime, I have just never found hours enough in a day to get these names to your editor.

Your February, 1978 copy of the Ontario Numismatist likewise is late because I did not get the envelopes addressed, stamped and mailed to your editor until March 1st, 1978.

Bruce H. Raszmann,  
O.N.A. Treasurer & Membership Chairman

### *AUDIO VISUAL by Charles Laister*

Putting together a club program can be a cinch when you use the facilities of the Audio Visual Service. Drop Charles H. Laister a note to Highway 3, Tillsonburg, Ontario and asking him for a list of subject he has in his library. The audio visual service contains slides put together by numismatists who devote their time and energy to provide you and your club with visual knowledge of numismatics.

## **NEWS FROM AROUND THE CLUBS**

THE OSHAWA & DISTRICT COIN CLUB reports the 1978 executive in their February bulletin. President is, Edwin Keetch: Vice-President, Terry Campbell; Secretary, Sherry Bowman; Treasurer, Derek Gillette, Librarian, Alex Majers; Editor is Wayne Goring; Past President is Henry J. Burke. Directors are: Bob Porter, Mrs. B. Larmer, Mrs. Larrayne Pleau, Ray Pleau, Don McGregor, Mrs. Helen Majers and Glen Copp. New meeting location is in the Picadilly Room, Hotel Genosha, 70 King St., East, Oshawa. Doors open at 12:00 noon.

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Two guest speakers will highlight the February meeting of the Stratford Coin Club. Ross Armstrong and Peter Huxtable will explain the functions, programmes and services of the Federal Business Development Bank. The bulletin contained many useful tips to collectors, a quiz and a reminder that dues are due. Ken Wilmot, editor, reminds readers that only one essay has been received in their contest.

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Tom Kostaluk is bringing home Awards received at the Michigan State Numismatic Society Convention held thanksgiving week, so states the bulletin from the BRANTFORD NUMISMATIC SOCIETY. Tom took three awards: 1st, 2nd and 3rd. The 1st was a 16" Silver Tray. His exhibits were, "Polish Numismatic Commemorative Medals, Polish Bank-notes, and Alexander Graham Bell items. Canadian Numismatic Association's Ontario Director, Paul Johnson will be guest speaker.

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NORM Belsten, President of the Thistle town Coin Club gave a short talk to his club on the subject of "How to display coins" at shows. Shall we have a COIN SHOW in 1978, is the question posed by the editor, Bob Porter, to the members. Anyone wishing to attend meetings, the address is Etobicoke Public Library, on Albion Road, just west of Kipling Blvd. Meeting opens at 7:30p.m.

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DR. DOUGLAS D. HUNTER gave an outstanding talk and slide show on Canadian Tire money, which also included an history of the Company. The company started in business on Hamilton Street in Toronto as was known as the Hamilton Tire & Garage in 1922. Candian Tire coupons were first issued in 1958. A member of the North York Coin Club, Carl Anderson was recently appointed Chairman of the North York Hydro. Feb. 28, 1978 is the date for the coin show to be held in the same location.

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KEN PROPHET is to be congratulated on having another successful coin show to his credit. Both dealers and public expressed satisfaction with the show. Al Bliman donated \$10.00 to the Club. Audit report was completed by Bill Gage and read out to the meeting. The constitution reprints will be available soon. Two Chinese auctions were held, the proceeds going to the Simcoe Rescue Squad. Bud Horne is the club's representative for "Bowl for Millions" a yearly project of the club to raise funds for the handicapped.

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Save for a rainy day and a new tax comes along and soaks you - from the Stratford Coin Club bulletin.

NEWS FROM THE CLUBS - cont'd

THE CITY OF OTTAWA COIN CLUB featured an article by J. Douglas Ferguson, entitled, "Nova Scotia Baronet Badges Topic of Work". Mr. Ferguson points out that the illustrated 78 page book is heartily recommended for anyone interested in the early history of America and particularly those who collect and cherish Canadiana. The book can be ordered from the author, Ruth McQuade, 183 Island Park Drive, Ottawa, Ontario. K1Y 0A3. The price is \$4.95. Two speakers, Mr. Castledine, talking on collecting silver and gold coins as a hedge against inflation and Al Driega with a talk on interesting tips on presenting a coin display to the best advantage.

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CANADIAN ASSOCIATION OF WOODEN MONEY COLLECTORS elects a new executive. Victor B. Hall will serve as president, Don Robb, Vice-President, Bruce R. Watt, Secretary-Treasurer AND Gary Braunworth as Editor.

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THE INGERSOLL COIN CLUB BULLETIN featured a front page editorial by Barbara McNab. She praised the club and singled out Tom Masters and Stella Hodge for special attention in her absence. Stella Hodge was selected as winner of the Charles Laister Award for January. Tom Masters and Len Coles selected as Chairman and Co-Chairman for the April program with the Ingersoll Kiwanis Club to raise money for the Easter Seal and crippled children. Grant Monck will be the speaker for February. Mrs. Hodge spoke to the Woodstock Coin Club and was presented with a membership for 1978. Congrats. An interesting addition to the Ingersoll Bulletin is the story, "CIRCULATION FINDS" by Grant Monck wherein he keeps his readers acquainted with his finds during the month and gives his percentage of finds. Of the total coins examined, 2 per cent were 'wheat cents', 5 per cent were the square nicles, for e.g. those between 1942 and 1962 and 2 per cent were 1970 - ten cent pieces.

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A COIN SHOW LOOMS ON THE HORIZAN for the Orillia Champlain Coin Club. The date has been set for May 6, 1978 and will be held at the Orillia Square Mall, West Street, Orillia. Bourse chairman is Bill Gage, RR#1 Shanty Bay, Ontario, L0L 2L0. Tables are going fast. Price will be \$13.00 each of two for \$25.00. Make cheques payable to the club. Alma Gage and Russell Smart will audit the books and report back to the meeting. Dominion Store tapes are wanted. Proceeds will be used to purchase a kidney machine at the Soldier's Memorial Hospital in Orillia. All tapes received will be appreciated. It takes a lot of them to add up for the price of a machine. By the way. with nothing else to do, Bill Gage is editing the bulletin again!

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HARVEY FARROW was presented with A CITATION AND SPECIAL MEDAL, by the executive and members of the Toronto Coin Club. Due to space limitations, the wording on the citation will appear elsewhere in the bulletin. Harold Don Allen wrote an article entitled, COIN WEEK CANADA - 1978 NEWS which gave an in-depth look at what has occurred up to now in this important event in Canada's Numismatic history. There is an interesting article on, "THE MAN WHO STOLE PORTUGAL" which makes for some intriguing reading.

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## CITATION AWARDED TO HARVEY FARROW

At the Annual Meeting on January 16, the executive and members of the Toronto Coin Club presented Harvey Farrow with a Citation and a special medal. The wording of the Citation, reproduced below, is self-explanatory:

"This award is presented to you by the Executive and Members of the Toronto Coin Club in recognition of your outstanding service during the past two decades.

"Your honesty, integrity and loyalty to the Toronto Coin Club exemplify your 24 years of continuous membership. You were enrolled on February 8, 1954 as Member #35. In 1959, you accepted the appointment of librarian and since then, you have held virtually every elected office including that of President. As well, during the 1969 CNA Convention hosted by the Toronto Coin Club, you took on the responsibility of Treasurer. You have also given freely of your time to other clubs in many and varied positions.

"We know your involvement in the Toronto Coin Club is far from over. You have been elected Treasurer for 1978, continue as the Club's Archivist, and have accepted the important position of Chairman of the 1978 TCC Fall Show.

"We are proud to present you with this citation in recognition of your exemplary services to the Toronto Coin Club."

By way of introduction, Louise Graham, who had known the Farrow family for many years, gave a very moving speech which we also share with you:

"Harvey, I take you down Memory Lane tonight with both happy and sad memories, particularly as this award to you is also a tribute to your dear mother, Hazel Farrow, membership #134, who instilled in you at an early age the attributes mentioned in your Citation, and who also taught you well all the facets of handling registrations, cashiering, ticket sales, shows, etc., that has been an asset to this club. You joined Toronto Coin Club in 1954 by a series of coincidences. In the early 40's your mother and I met as co-workers for a local Association. We quickly became "best friends", and that memory I will always cherish. We had never even heard the Toronto Coin Club.

One Saturday morning, Doug Graham glanced at the function sheet for that day and read "Meeting, Toronto Coin Club, 2:00 P.M. York Room". He attended that meeting and joined as #20. It took several months for his enthusiasm to persuade me to join as #31. Our combined enthusiasm rubbed off on your mother and we three thought the hobby of "Coin Collecting" would be an excellent one for you to also pursue, so I, as Treasurer, enrolled you as member #35. Your activities went beyond TCC. In February, 1960, you and ten other members were part of the team of founding members of North York Coin Club. John Curtis, Past President of TCC became 1st Vice-President of NYCC.

In 1960, you and I shared the saddest days of our lives. On May 20, Doug Graham suddenly passed away - I lost my husband and you lost a friend. On December 24, your mother suddenly passed away - you lost your mother and I lost my best friend.

You and I were part of the team that organized TCC's 25th Anniversary Party, an event we still talk about. It was a big success in spite of the hotel strike. We again shared in the 35th Anniversary Party. You and I continue our loyalty to both the TCC and NYCC.

Harvey, I am honored to have been chosen to present this Citation to you. The Executive and Members of the Toronto Coin Club join me in wishing you well and hope that your loyalty to the Toronto Coin Club will always be in evidence."

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## PROPOSED COIN SHOWS

The following are the "ANNUAL COIN SHOWS" proposed for the next few months, that we received notices for, or taken from CLUB BULLETINS. We advise you to check this list as you debate the date of your Club's show, to ensure that your date does not conflict with another show.

- April 16 - 22 - Canada Coin Week sponsored by the Canadian Numismatic Association. Let money speak out is the theme of the Canada-Wide event.
- April 23 - Kent Coin Club's annual show at the Wheels Motor Inn, Richmond St., and Keil Dr. Info from Lou Wagenaer, 27 Peter St., Chamtham, Ontario N7M 5B2
- April 27,28,29,30- Spring Torex'78 at the Westbury Hotel, 475 Yonge St., Toronto, Ontario
- May 6 Fredericton, N.B. Atlantic Provinces Numismatic Association and Canadian Paper Money Society joint convention at the Lord Beaverbrook Hotel Information: Harry Eisenhauer, Box 84, Oromocto, N.B. E2V 2G4
- May 7 Welland Coin Club's Annual Show at the Princess Elizabeth School auditorium, corner of Lincoln & Sheffield Sts. Info: Andre Guillemette, 208 East Main St., Welland, Ont.
- May 13 Peterborough Numismatic Association's annual coin show at the Holiday Inn. Info: Norm Wells, Box 943, Peterborough, Ontario. K9J 7A5
- May 27 Newmarket Numismatic Association's Annual Show. Write the club at: Box 142, Newmarket, Ontario L3Y 4W3
- May 27 and 28 City of Ottawa Coin Club's Annual Show at the RA Centre, Riverside Drive, Ottawa, Ontario. Enquiries welcome to Box 6094, Station "J", Ottawa, Canada K2A 1T2
- May 6 Orillia Champlain Coin Club at the Orillia Square Mall, West St., North Orillia, Ontario. Info: Write Bill Gage, RR#1 Shanty Bay, Ontario, L0L 2L0

## PERSONALITIES IN THE NEWS

STELLA HODGE

For active participation in a number of clubs - for proving that numismatics can be fun - and for showing that women have a place in the field of numismatics.



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DOES DISPLAY PRIZES REQUIRE A CHANGE

An Editorial Comment by your  
Editor

It is a sad commentary on our hobby when we see an otherwise successful show with a serious lack of displays by members. Is the hobby of collecting trophies now past or are collectors just too busy to take up this fascinating branch of the hobby?

Do we need something different to award stalwarts of the hobby who consistently bring us some of the best in numismatic achievement to visually attract the public and other collectors?

Let us turn our attention for a minute on the wall of your friendly dentist or doctor. Have you seen that large framed certificate attesting to the fact that he has been awarded a degree in his chosen profession. It is something he or she can be proud to let others see for it has cost him or her a lot in time and money to achieve that satisfaction. I wonder if something like it can bring out those displayers that seem to have faded from the numismatic scene.

For instance, a certificate, not quite as large as the degree on the wall of the professional could be suitably inscribed and awarded to everyone who enters a display in a provincial or national convention, whether they win or not. But, to the winner of first place, he or she would receive in addition to the certificate, a red seal; the second place winner would receive a silver seal and the third place winner, a bronze seal. On the average certificate there is enough space for seals that could last ten years. If continue to carry this theme on, the person who reaches, say, ten years would receive a gilt certificate.

Trophies are dust catchers, the housewives blight. Or they may be tucked away in some dark closet, or

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REWARD--Ed Gordon poses with but a few of his trophies he has won for coin and paper money displays. Ed also has received certificates of

recognition and appreciation for his administrative efforts in various coin clubs he has been associated with.

# Coins are his passion

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By DENISE VAUTOUR

Numismatist--sounds like the opposite of a hypnotist, but it isn't. It's not someone who works with numbers, either.

A person who collects coins is given the title "numismatist", and Fort McMurray has a very active one now residing in town.

Ed Gordon, formerly of Toronto, Ont. began collecting coins in 1970.

"I was always a kind of pack-rat collector, never an organized one. By chance I happened to meet some people who were members of a local coin club."

"I became interested in coin collecting and eventually ended up as a member of every coin club in the Toronto area!"

Mr. Gordon later joined the Ontario Numismatic Association--a provincial body that keeps all coin clubs up-to-date with information and attempts to improve clubs as best the association can.

From there, he joined both the Canadian and American Numismatic Clubs, and is currently the district representative for the province of Alberta in connection with the American Numismatic Association.

## COIN WEEK

The week of April 16 to 22 is Coin Week of Canada, and Mr. Gordon would like to attempt to generate interest in coin collecting among the residents of Fort McMurray.

"I am going to put on a coin and paper money display at the Fort McMurray Public Library during Coin Week of Canada. Although I will not be present at

the library for the entire week, there will be application forms on hand for anyone who would like to join the Canadian or American Numismatic Associations," Mr. Gordon said.

There will also be application forms for anyone who wishes to form a coin club in Fort McMurray.

"I would like to see adults get together to discuss coins, trade them and increase their knowledge of coin collecting, if they are interested."

"Hopefully the display will encourage youngsters who may have the "collecting bug" to get started on the right track," he said.

If anyone is doubting Mr. Gordon's ability, doubt no more.

Since he began showing his coins and paper money, Mr. Gordon has won 38 trophies. He also has the distinction of being presented with awards for public speaking, judging and grading as well as for appraising coins and paper money.

Presently, Ed Gordon is a member of the Canadian Numismatic Association, the American Numismatic Association, and the Franklin Mint Collectors Society--a company that mints and retails world proof coins for other countries, mints gold coins, makes jewelry and porcelain products. Closer to home, Mr. Gordon is also a member of the Edmonton Coin Club.

If anyone in Fort McMurray is interested in coin collecting and would like to help with the upcoming display in the public library, please drop a note to Ed at Box 5013, Fort McMurray.

O.N.A. Convention 1978

Competitive Displays

Categories :

1. Canadian Decimal
2. Canadian Paper Money
3. World Coins
4. World Paper Money
5. Medals & Tokens
6. Ancient & Medieval
7. Miscellaneous
8. Junior

Awards :

- Best of Show : Trophy
- 1st. in each category : Silver Medal
- 2nd. in each category : Bronze Medal
- 3rd. in each category : Ribbon

All matters relating to the displays shall be determined by the Display Chairman.

The judges will submit their results to the Display Chairman at the close of judging. The judges will select the prize winning displays, & the judges decisions are final.

Display material must be the property of the person displaying same. Cases are to be apx. 18"x30"x3" deep; no vertical cases, or advertising material allowed. The name of the exhibitor shall not appear on the display, nor shall any material be placed outside the cases.

Any material known to be a legitimate copy or replica must be labelled as such; No material known to be forged, spurious, or counterfeit may be displayed, except as a non-competitive display for educational purposes only, & must be labelled as such.

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Exhibitors are responsible for setting up & removing their own displays, & all displays shall be shown at the owners risk, & neither the O.N.A., St.Catharines Coin Club, nor Prudhommes shall be liable in the event of loss or damage to any exhibit.

No exhibitor may enter more than one display in any category.

Exhibits, in order to be judged must be placed on display between the opening on Friday 2nd. & 1.00 p.m. on Saturday 3rd. June.

Exhibits should be left in position until 2.00 p.m. on Sun. 4th. June, however, exhibitors who have long distances to travel, or other valid reason, will be permitted to remove the exhibit prior to that time if agreed with the Display Chairman.

Display awards will be presented at the banquet on Sat. 3rd. June.

We regret that NO CASES will be available for loan to exhibitors.

Due to the limited space available, exhibitors are requested to pre-register with the Display Chairman, stating category & number of cases to be displayed.

#### Display Hints

The judges use a standard set of marking rules to award points ; basically these are ;

1. Research & information ( 30 points )
2. Eye appeal ( 10 points )
3. Neatness, & originality ( 10 points each )
4. Condition, & rarity ( 10 points each )
5. Completeness within theme ( 10 points )
6. At judges discretion ( 10 points )

Therefore aim at a well balanced neat display which imparts knowledge & stimulates interest in the numismatic aspect of our hobby.

V.G.Potter,  
Display Chairman

## NEWS FROM AROUND THE CLUBS

THE CITY OF OTTAWA COIN CLUB reports a lively meeting with 33 members and 4 guests attending the February meeting. Dick Nash talked on the subject of grading. The next regular meeting will be on March 21st, due to Easter.

THE ST. CATHARINES COIN CLUB reports a change in dates for their October coin show. The date will be OCTOBER 28, 1978.

HURONIA NUMISMATIC ASSOCIATION had a lively meeting on March 16 when 48 members and guests attended. The head table has now been moved to the back of the hall thus enabling last comers to come inside rather than wait in the hall. We had three dealers and a good auction of about 74 pieces. The results of our last show was announced by President Ken Prophet to be the best yet. All tables for the September show have been booked.

THE ORILLIA CHAMPLAIN COIN CLUB is now a member of the Canadian Numismatic Association. The talk around the club is on the forthcoming show based on COINS, STAMPS & ANTIQUES, which is to be held in the Orillia Square Mall on Saturday, May 6th, 1978.

THE STRATFORD COIN CLUB reports several members in arrears of their dues and a note in the bulletin asks members to renew. Bowler Sam Smith is in the top league with a score of 298,296 and 322 recently. In the last issue there is a coin quiz which was interesting. Future meetings will include basics on coin care and a numismatic quiz.

BOB PORTER, editor of the Thistle town Coin & Stamp Club reports winning both the attendance draw AND the door prize. The editor points out that since the club is now Fourteen years old, it is time for a birthday party and a party it will be on March 14th. On the agenda will be a bingo game, a speaker on Postal History and related Collecting, plus a birthday cake and the party trimmings. A donation auction of old collectables will be the feature at the march meeting.

The ST. CATHARINES COIN CLUB held their 190th meeting on March 19, with 55 members and guests in attendance. The Annual Coin Show and Banquet will be held on October 28, 1978 at Westminster United Church. George Oblinsky reported there is a difference in the astericks of the British Bank Note Co and the American Bank Note Co. Past President Gary Oblinsky gave us an interesting talk on how he started to collect coins. Gary's other interest is photography and he showed slides of the last few meetings he has been taking pictures. Two interesting items on the auctions was a roll of 1977 half dollars and sets of 1977 coins.

The Brantford Numismatic Society's Newsletter reminds members that the guest speaker at the April meeting will be a member of the Brantford Police Department on the subject of Counterfeiting.

An Editorial Comment (cont'd)

in some corner where the light may be bad and no one can read the small metal plates. But a certificate on the wall, suitably framed can attest to your numismatic achievement, something that you can be proud of and something that just might put exhibiting back in favor with the numismatists. Something to think about. What do you think?

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CONVENTION COMMITTEE: Following is the CONVENTION COMMITTEE of the St. Catharines Coin Club who are hosting the 16th ANNUAL CONVENTION of the ONTARIO NUMISMATIC ASSOCIATION. This CONVENTION is being held at PRUDHOMMES GARDEN CENTRE, VINELAND, Ontario, June 2, 3, 4th, 1978.

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Due to unforeseen circumstances Mr. Frank Rose will not be conducting the auction. The auction will be conducted by Mr. Charles Moore.

R. N. Voaden,  
Publicity Director,  
Ontario Numismatic Association

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DAFFY DEFINITIONS: This month we present for your enjoyment, the definition of a secretary.

She runs into buildings - recognizes locomotives two out of three times - is not issued ammunition - can stay afloat with life jacket - talks to walls.

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THE HUMOROUS SIDE: Quiz Master: "How many successful jumps must a paratrooper make before he graduates?"  
Contestant: "All of them!"

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THE SIGN OF THE ZODIAC - Aries - the Ram - lucky day Thursday - unlucky Monday.  
March 20 = April 20 Most successful in June & July

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DID YOU KNOW - - - - that the smallest church in the world is said to be the Union Church in Wiscasset, Maine, which measures 7 feet by 4½ feet

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## Association News:

### MEMBERSHIP

The applications published in the February issue of the Ontario Numismatist have been accepted.

DELAY IN NEWSLETTER: We have found it necessary to change printers and for this reason we have been late in meeting our dead-line. However, we have found a good printer and your April newsletter should be out in time.

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VICTOR SNELL - a most prominent name in numismatics was the 1969 AWARD OF MERIT winner in the convention held at St. Catharines. Mr. Victor Snell is a member of the St. Catharines Coin Club, Past President of the Canadian Numismatic Association (1967-69) plus many more numismatic achievements that space does not permit listing them

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THE 1969 CONVENTION will be remembered for the successful Exhibit Symposium which was well attended. The Canadian Numismatic Variety Collectors Association was invited as guest to hold their third convention. This convention also marked the eighth consecutive years a commemorative medal was struck for the O.N.A.

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WINE & CHEESE PARTY: Party-goers are reminded that this important function will be held on Friday evening at 5:00p.m. This social gathering enables us to meet members from other clubs and to renew acquaintances. (But, please no pineapple).

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NEW MEMBERS: It is the responsibility of all members, if our Association is to achieve its goals, of introducing new members into our Association. Now is a good time with the Convention drawing close. Speak out for numismatics at your club - introduce the Ontario Numismatic Association and its many benefits - to members at your club - urge them to join - NOW.

DISPLAYS: For some unfathomable reason, the gentle art of displaying seem to have lost some of its zip in past few months. Are people just too busy to get involved? This item should be on the program chairman's agenda at every meeting to encourage new members to take up exhibiting. Can we all join together and make the 1978 Convention a successful one in having lots of exhibits? We can do it.

#### *AUDIO VISUAL by Charles Laister*

Visual aids sometimes are superior when showing members numismatic information. It is easier to remember - the member sees it possibly for the first time - and program chairmen can make the delivery interesting by having a quiz at the end. Send your requests NOW to Charles Laister, Highway 3, Tillsonburg, Ontario.

1978 AWARD OF MERIT

NOMINATION

We would like to submit the following Numismatist for the most coveted "Award of Merit, of the Ontario Numismatic Association."

SIGNATURE..... ADDRESS.....  
NAME.....  
SIGNATURE..... ADDRESS.....  
NAME.....

The following are some of the reasons for our Nomination - (List achievements, Special services, writing, Research, Advancement of Numismatics.)

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(Please use separate sheet if necessary)

- RULES:      Nomination:
1. Resident of Ontario
  2. Summary to be included
  3. Closing date, April 30th, 1978

MARK ENVELOPE: "AWARD OF MERIT" and mail to Award of Merit Chairman, W.E.P. Lambert, P.O. Box 311, St. Catharines, Ontario L3R 6T7

IMPORTANT: Make sure two signatures are on your nomination form as two are required. Members not wishing to mutilate their copies of the NUMISMATIST, may take the necessary information down on plain paper and mail it to Pat Lambert, but make sure YOU HAVE TWO SIGNATURES.

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ACCOMMODATION: We are informed that accommodation at the Prudhommes Garden Centre is limited and you are advised to get your reservations in NOW. DO NOT SEND RESERVATIONS TO THE CLUB. All reservations are to be sent to the convention site with a \$15.00 deposit. Those pre-registering will get convention rates. For further details, send to Mr. McMurray, Prudhommes Garden Centre, Vineland Station, Ontario Hurry. Do it NOW.

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LOOK WHAT WE HAVE FOR YOU - - - - -

A TRIP FOR TWO TO THE GRAND BAHAMA HOTEL . . . .

A first prize in the draw to be held at the  
O.N.A. Convention - June 2,3, and 4th, 1978

The winner will be able to choose a departure  
date between June 15, 1978 and December  
15, 1978. Trip to be arranged with

ADVENTURE TOURS - through HALCYON DAYS TRAVEL, Oshawa & Brantford.

2nd and 3rd prizes will be Canadian Mint Presentation sets.

THE DRAW WILL BE HELD AT PRUDHOMMES GARDEN CENTRE, Saturday, June 3rd, 1978  
at 8:00p.m.



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- April 16 to 22 - Canada Coin Week sponsored by the Canadian Numismatic Association. Let money Speak Out is the theme of the Canada-wide educational event.
- April 23 Kent Coin Club's Annual Show at the Wheels Motor Inn, Richmond St., and Keil Drive. Info: Lou Wagenaer, 27 Peter St., Chatham, Ontario N7M 5B2
- April 27,28,29,30 Spring TOREX '78 at the Westbury Hotel, 475 Yonge St., Toronto, Ontario. Information from Oeter Findlay, Box 28, King City, Ontario
- May 6 Atlantic Provinces Numismatic Association and Canadian Paper Money Association joint convention at the Lord Beaverbrook Hotel, Frederickton, N.B. Contact Harry Eisenhauer, Box 84 Oromocto, N.B. E2V 2G4 for information.
- May 6 Orillia Champlain Coin Club's Annual Show at the Orillia Square Mall, West St., North and Highway 11. For info contact, Bill Gage, RR#1 Shanty Bay, Ontario L0L 2L0.
- May 7 Welland Coin Club's Annual Show at the Princess Elizabeth School Auditorium, corner Lincoln & Scholfield St., in Welland. Andre Guillemette is the one to contact at 208 East Main St., Welland, Ontario.
- May 13 Peterborough Numismatic Association's Annual coin show at the Holiday Inn, Contact Norm Wells, Box 943, Peterborough Ontario K9J 7A5
- May 27 NEWMARKET Numismatic Society's Annual Show at the Upper Canada Mall. Write: Box 142, Newmarket, Ontario L3Y 4W3 for information.
- May 27 and 28 City of Ottawa Coin Club's Tulip Time Coin Show at the RA Centre, Riverside Drive. For info, write Box 6094, Station "J" Ottawa, Ontario K2A 1T2.
- June 2,3,and 4 Ontario Numismatic Association's ;6th Annual convention hosted by the St. Catharines Coin Club at Prudhommes Garden Centre. Write Box 33, Waterloo, Ont for information

## PERSONALITIES IN THE NEWS

For this month we are going to designate clubs that have made a concerted effort to improve their meetings, to further the cause of numismatics in their area and to continue this theme by improving their newsletters. A great improvement in the content of each newsletter we receive reflects the enthusiasm of the club from which it came. We urge members to continue creating exhibits that make others see what a coin club really is.



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GUEST SPEAKER O.N.A. CONVENTION BANQUET

Mr. Stephen R. Taylor, prominent U.S. numismatist, is to be the guest speaker at the 16th Annual O.N.A. Convention, Saturday, June 3rd at Prudhommes Hotel and Convention Centre in Vineland.

Mr. Taylor who is a resident of Dover, Delaware, is Vice President, Branch Administration Director, Wilmington Savings Fund Society. He is Past President of Kent County Bankers Association, and was appointed by Governor du Pont of Delaware to serve a fourth term on the State Council on Banking.

His Numismatic interest is U.S. Currency.

He was the founder and past president of the Kent Coin Club of Dover, Delaware, having held every office in the 160 member club, and is currently Editor of their monthly newsletter.

He is Vice President of the Maryland State Numismatic Association, and District Representative (Delaware) for the American Numismatic Association. He has received 80 exhibit awards during the past four years including 30 "Best in Show" Awards in 11 different States of the U.S. and Canada.

In addition to his numismatic interest he takes an active part in community activities being a member of

The Board of Directors of Dover Y.M.C.A.

Greater Dover and Delaware State Chamber of Commerce.

The Board of Kent County Unit, American Cancer Society.

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JUST TODAY I will try to strnghten my mind. I will learn something useful I will read something that requires effort, thought and concentration.

Submitted by Bruce R. Watt

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PRESS RELEASE:

April 14, 1978

Chairman Pat Lambert reports that plans are progressing very well for the 16th ANNUAL CONVENTION of the ONTARIO NUMISMATIC ASSOCIATION. This show is being held on June 2-3-4-, 1978, at Prudhommes Garden Centre, Vineland, Ontario.

The General Meeting of the Ontario Numismatic Association will be held on Saturday, June 3, at 9.30a.m. On Sunday, June 4, the Executive and Delegates breakfast will be held at 9:00a.m.

Clubs are reminded of the CHARLES LAISTER TROPHY competition for CLUB displays.

On Friday, June 4, there will be a Wine & Cheese party at 5.30p.m. The Grape & Wine Festival Queen will be in attendance as well as the Grape King. This is only one of the early attractions of the Convention.

People entering displays are requested to notify the display Chairman before the Convention. Lets have lots of displays for this Convention, to make it difficult for the judges.

For a week end of GOOD FELLOWSHIP and lots of FUN, make your reservation right away for the Convention. Guests are requested to contact Prudhommes directly for reservations, be sure to mention you are attending the Convention

People that wish information, write to-

ST. CATHARINES COIN CLUB,  
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## Association News:

### MEMBERSHIP

Personal information and facts on our President, Bruce R. Watt:

Born October 22nd, 1930, at St. Joseph's Hospital, Hamilton, Bruce Russell Watt, son of Robert Russell Watt and Luella Ann Watt of Mount Hamilton. Bruce attended S.S. #6 - S.S. #4, Public Schools and the F.R. Close Tech. Institute, Hamilton. His first job was in 1949 as a theatre usher at the Mohawk Drive-In, Mount Hamilton, owned and operated by Harry Oach, Cleveland, Ohio. In 1953 Bruce went to Los Angeles, California for six months, returned to Hamilton in 1954 as manager of the Mohawk Drive-In Theatre and the Chippawa Drive-In Theatre, Chippawa, Ont. Owned half interest in a Super Speedway Stock Car, drove it for 4 months with only 45% sponsorship until it got to costly to operate.

In 1955, joined General Motors of Canada, Oshawa, Ontario, in the Quality Control Department, as final paint technician.

Belongs to the Order of the Eastern Star, Sun Beam, Oshawa and a Master Mason in the order of the Cedar Lodge 280, Oshawa, Grand Lodge of Ontario.

Treasurer of the 6th Oshawa Boy Scouts Group Committee

Treasurer for St. Stephens United Church as well on the Board of Stewards  
[NUMISMATIC INTERESTS]

Life Member of the Oshawa District Coin Club, one of the original members when it was founded in 1960. Held all offices.

Charter Member of the Canadian Association of Wooden Money Collectors

Member of the Dedicated Wooden Money Collectors Association of U.S.A.

Member of the International Wooden Money Collectors Association of U.S.A.

Member of the North York Coin Club

Member of the American Numismatic Association

FAMILY - Married October 19, 1957 to the former Nina King. Have one son, Andrew, born October 8, 1963.

IMPORTANT NOTICE: There will be a limited striking of the 16th Annual O.N.A. Convention medal for the St. Catharines Coin Club. WRITE NOW TO: G. E. Oblinsky to reserve YOURS! Silver \$20.00; Bronze \$8.00. Add Sales Tax for Ontario residents, or if dealer your Vendor's permit number. Advance orders until May 1st, 1978 After that date, Silver will be \$25.00 and bronze \$10 00. Make Cheque or M.O. payable to O.N.A. Medal - St. Catharines Coin Club and send to Box 1492, St. Catharines, Ontario. DO IT NOW!

### *AUDIO VISUAL by Charles Laister*

Now that CoinWeek Canada '78 has made us aware of numismatics, why not invite the public to your next club meeting and give a showing of one of the O.N.A.'s slide program Write to Charles Laister for a list of slide he has available. Coin Week Canada has made people aware of the hobby, but let us not relax now. Follow through with some meaningful programs.

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*Bruce R. Watt*  
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April 6th; 1978

To All O.N.A. Club's Presidents  
and Members,

Dear Fellow Numismatists,

I am writing to you to inform you of the new program that the Ontario Numismatic Association is starting.

It is an O.N.A. University or college scholarship award to an O.N.A. member, O.N.A. member's relation, or an O.N.A. Club member. This award will be awarded to a selected student who will need financial assistance to better his or her education.

The amount of the award will be 50% of the net receipts of this year's raffle, which will be drawn at the O.N.A. Convention June 3rd; 1978, at St. Catharines. The Scholarship Award will be presented to the lucky student at the Banquet.

Thank you for your assistance. Let's get this program on the road. I believe it will be a first in Canadian Numismatics, I remain,

Sincerely

Bruce R. Watt

President

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SCHOLARSHIP AWARD

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ADDRESS .....  
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TELEPHONE NUMBER .....

NAME OF PRESENT SCHOOL .....

ADDRESS .....

PRESENT SCHOOL TERM MARK .....

PARENTS NAME, FATHER .....

MOTHER .....

HOW MANY YOUNGER BROTHERS AND SISTERS LIVING AT HOME .....

FATHERS EMPLOYER .....

ADDRESS .....

MOTHERS EMPLOYER .....

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NAME OF NEXT YEARS COLLEGE OR UNIVERSITY .....

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NAME OF O.N.A MEMBER MEMBERS # .....

WHAT RELATIONSHIP IS HE OR SHE TO YOU? .....

IN YOUR OWN WORDS WHY WOULD THE O.N.A. SCHOLARSHIP WILL BE A  
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APPLICANT SIGNATURE .....

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- June 17 Victoria - Simcoe Numismatic Association's Annual Coin Show and Banquet at the Town Hall, Woodville, Ontario. Show times: 10:00a.m. to 8:00p.m. Contact: Elmer Workman RR#2 Cannington, Ontario L0E 1E0 for information.

## PERSONALITIES IN THE NEWS

PRESIDENT'S PERSONALITY OF THE MONTH: This month, O.N.A. President, Bruce Watt has singled out our Treasurer, Bruce Raszmann for this award. Bruce is a very dedicated person and works hard in handling the finances and Membership of the Ontario Numismatic Association.



# ONTARIO NUMISMATIC ASSOCIATION

16th Annual Convention



Displays

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*Prudhomme* St. Catharines JUNE 2·3·4·1978

BANQUET 6<sup>30</sup>PM. SATURDAY JUNE 3

SPECIAL. SPEAKER

- AWARD of MERIT - DELEGATES MEETING - AUDIO VISUAL -

EXECUTIVE AND DELEGATES LUNCHEON

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# Coin Week

A TIME FOR SHARING

The North American continent is divided. Divided between two great and noble nations, yet each one shares a part of the whole. The two nations are divided by a 3,000 plus mile border from Maine and the Maritimes to Washington and British Columbia, yet each shares part of that border. A Parliament and a Congress, different government structures govern, yet each shares a common goal for their peoples. The people of each nation represent different histories and heritages, yet each shares the common love of country.

"A Mari Usque Ad Mare" and "E Pluribus Unum" boldly and proudly express a summary history for each nation. Separate, strong-willed, single states, territories, and provinces were united for a common good and a common purpose. Each motto telling the story of a nation's glory.

Soon a time of unity for a common purpose will be with us. COIN WEEK CANADA and NATIONAL COIN WEEK represent a time of intensified national promotion, publicity, and progress for numismatics. Each "Week" has its own theme. For Canadians, "Let Money Speak Out" speaks loud and strong. For Americans, the theme, "Happiness Is - Coin Collecting" evokes visions of warm, friendly times together.

What appropriate themes these are with which to unite in a common hobby. The major thrust of any national coin week should be the education and encouragement of non-numismatists. It should be a time for sharing and telling. Tell them of cents and dollars, paper and printing, mints and mintages, people and places, dies and galvanos. Tell them about your club, your interests, but tell them! Resonance and rhetoric, eloquence and elucidation may not be your gifts, but simplicity and sincerity combined with diligent, devoted effort can be.

Let each one of us, Canadian or American, be numismatists FIRST! and introduce a friend to numismatics. And what better way of introduction than to :

"LET MONEY SPEAK OUT" saying to all that "HAPPINESS IS - COIN COLLECTING."

LESLIE A. WINNERS  
RICHMOND, VIRGINIA





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Number of persons in party;-.....ADULTS.....CHILDREN.....

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Vineland Station  
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The forthcoming Ontario Numismatic Association Convention that will be hosted by the St. Catharines Coin Club on June 2, 3, and 4th, promises to be one of the best in the annals of O.N.A. history. To make it the best requires a lot of effort by "U".

"U" must make the decision to attend and if you decide to do so, you will meet a lot of fun loving people who pursue the same hobby as you do and enjoy meeting the same people as you do. To get acquainted with one another and put us in a frame of mind to enjoy the convention, there will be a wine and cheese party at 5:30p m. on Friday, June 2nd. This party could aptly be called, "meet other collectors" party, and promises to be quite a success, if you let it be.

"U" again must make the decision on whether to display or not. Can you imagine a store window with nothing in it but a bare space? Or the Sportsmen Show with no exhibits? That is what our convention would be like without people going out of their way to exhibit. And really, the pleasure of exhibiting is the name of the game, whether we win or not. Coin Shows need displays for the public to see and to get excited about. The public is entitled to see your handiwork for it gives encouragement to those that have been thinking of entering the hobby.

"U" can also contribute by attending the General Meeting of the O.N.A. and ensuring its success. If you are coming as a delegate to the Convention, we need input from collectors and clubs to achieve our goals and to know where we are headed.

"U" have an important place in making the show a S"U"UCCESS. Without "U" and others like "U" there will be no celebration AFTER the show. So we depend on "U" to help us.

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THE 16th ANNUAL CONVENTION OF THE ONTARIO NUMISMATIC ASSOCIATION

. . . . . OUR HOST

. . . . . THE ST. CATHARINES COIN CLUB

Put your best foot forward and come with us to the grape centre of the North American continent and join with us in a three day celebration which could be the most successful to date. At least we will try for that goal but we will need your assistance.

Displays are needed as they represent to the convention what a show case represents to the merchant. Unfortunately we will not have display cases for you, but it appears a lot of displays now have their own. If you cannot exhibit in the competitive categories, your displays are still sorely needed in the COURT OF HONOR. Displays to the Conventions is like a heart to a person. This year there is to be 8 categories with silver medals going to the first place winners, bronze medals to the second place winners and a ribbon to the third place winners. Exhibitors must place their exhibit no later than 1:00p.m. on Saturday, June 3rd and not to be taken out before 2:00p.m. on Sunday, June 4. There will be lots of security and if all will co-operate, we can make this phase of the show quite a success.



The auction has been awarded to CHARLES D. MOORE and you will receive an auction list with this issue of the Ontario Numismatist. In looking through the list, it will be noted that there is something for everyone.

The Banquet will be at 6:30p.m. on Saturday, June 3rd and will feature a smorgasbord style banquet which is very popular. The speaker will be Mr. Stephen R. Taylor, prominent U.S. numismatist and a banker by profession. The display awards will be announced as well as the 1978 nominee for the Award of Merit, the O.N.A.'s most coveted Award.

The bourse room will feature dealers from across Canada and the United States with material and prices to satisfy even the most discriminating buyer. Here you will have the opportunity to converse with your favourite dealer, perhaps even to purchase some item that will fill another hole in your collection. The bourse floor is also another opportunity to strike up conversations with other fellow collectors and exchange timely news and views. The Canada Coin News will be in attendance as well as other hobby publications. Stop by and say hello.

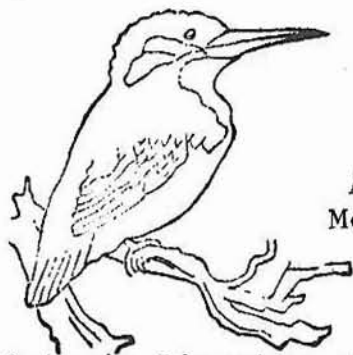
The wine & Cheese Party on Friday night at 5:30p.m. really starts all the events moving. Immediately after, one phase of the auction takes place which should provide the means of acquiring the item you have been waiting for.

The setting for all of this is = PRUDHOMMES GARDEN CENTRE - Vineland, Ontario. It can be seen from the Queen Elizabeth Highway and while a landmark for many going to the Falls, there are many signs in the area for those unfamiliar with the area.

Chairman of the Show is PAT LAMBERT who has been busy as a beaver whipping this show into shape. It takes a lot of people doing a lot of things to make the show a success, but Pat is the spirit behind it and from here it looks like it is going to be one of the best show we have had. By the way, keep an eye on Pat for the Grape & Wine Festival Queen is coming to the Convention.

A BIRD'S EYE VIEW OF A COIN SHOW. . . . .

PETERBOROUGH COIN SHOW, May 13, 1978. . .



A wet day - an hometown hockey game vieing for the Memorial Cup - ingredients that make the heart of a Show chairman flutter - but spirits were high as we met old and new friends. Canada Coin News popular columnist, Stanley Cluete was there as well as Ontario Director of the Canadian Numismatic Association, Paul Johnson. Ontario Numismatic Association president, Bruce Watt was there as well as members of the various coin clubs in the area.

One of the striking elements of the show was the great number of displays, which touched on almost every facet of the hobby. The winners in the displays are as follows:

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| Junior          | - Gary McNight of Newmarket - 1st |  |
| PAPER MONEY     | - 1st - Norm Wells of Peteborough |  |
|                 | 2nd - Carol Gregory of Newmarket  |  |
|                 | 3rd - Tom Kostuluk of London      |  |
| TOKENS & MEDALS | 1st - Ray Gregory of Newmarket    | THE BEST OF SHOW<br>WAS<br>AWARDED TO<br>STANLEY CLUTE |
|                 | 2nd - Carol Gregory of Newmarket  |  |
|                 | 3rd - Tom Kostuluk of London      |  |
| WORLD COINS     | 1st - Stan Clute of Willowdale    |  |
|                 | 2nd - Willie Walker               |  |
|                 | 3rd - Ian Dickson                 |  |
| WOOD            | 1st - Ted Oulds of Chatham        |  |
|                 | 2nd - Stu Blizzard                |  |
| MISCELLANEOUS   | 1st - Carol Gregory               |  |
|                 | 2nd - Tom Kostuluk                |  |
|                 | 3rd - Mrs E. Gerow                |  |

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An speaking of shows, the Orillia Champlain Coin Show under the chairladyship of Sally Terganza was a resounding success, so much so that another one is planned for the fall. A departure from past years is that tables were allotted to four coin dealers - 4 antique dealers and 4 stamp dealers. Attendance was high and many collectors came from a distance to attend It was too bad that the bourse chairman, Bill Gage, was in the hospital at the time.

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A WORD OF THANKS

As a token of appreciation, I would like to say thanks to all those kind people that sent me cards with their get well wishes, also to the members of the Orillia Champlain Coin Club for the lovely basket of fruit. During my recent nine day stay in the hospital and my three week confinement before that at home, your newsletter did get out, hopefully with very little errors(my typing is improving) I would also like to express my appreciation for all those that came to the hospital to see me &brought with them their good wishes for a speedy recovery. What started out as the flu turned into a infection of the lungs, but when one sees the heartbreak and misery that goes on inside a hospital, my illness was nothing. I am now rested up for the giant Wine & Cheese party that is coming our way on June 2nd at Vineland.

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EDITORIAL COMMENT . . . by Bill Gage

One of the reasons why we subscribe to various publications is to satisfy our quest for knowledge - reading what clubs like ours are doing to promote the hobby and to win new members - to keep abreast of the hobby in these ever-changing times - finding new ways to do something and to read for the pleasure of reading.

After some months I realize your Numismatist is falling down badly on some of the basic reasons why it exists - to provide information.

Persons who read the Ontario Numismatist comes from all walks of life and have many varied interests, not all of them falling neatly into one category. So we are going to change that. But we will need your help in doing it.

Commencing with the June edition your Numismatist will feature stories on - Decimal Coins - Ancient Coins - Tokens - Medals - Topical Items - Paper Money - Wooden Money - Displaying and Exhibiting - Transportation items - Medallistic Art and many more topics.

To carry this through we would like to call on YOU to submit a story of your specialty and it will carry your by-line. With one story each month on each different topic we can be assured of good reading for one whole year. With two stories a month on two different topics, we have twice the fun. Is there someone out there, pen in hand, ready to commence this project. Dead-line is the 25th of each month, however we prefer an item around the 12th of the month just to be on the safe side. We would appreciate stories or quizzes or items that you feel would be appropriate. Can we count on YOU?

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GUEST SPEAKER - O.N.A. Convention BANQUET: Mr. Stephen R. Taylor, prominent U.S. numismatist, is to be the guest speaker at the 16th Annual O.N.A. Convention, Saturday, June 3rd, 1978, at Prudhommes Garden Centre, Vineland, Ontario. Mr. Taylor, a resident of Dover, Delaware, is Vice-President, Branch Administration Director, Wilmington Savings Fund Society. He is Past President of Kent County Bankers Association, and was appointed by Governor du Pont of Delaware to serve a fourth term on the State Council on Banking. His Numismatic interest is U.S. Currency. He was the founder and past president of the Kent Coin Club of Dover, Delaware, held every office in the 160 member club and is currently Editor of their monthly newsletter. He is Past Vice-President of the Maryland State Numismatic Association, and District Representative (Delaware) for the American Numismatic Association. He has received 80 exhibit awards during the past four years including 30 "Best of Show" Awards in 11 different states of the U.S. & Canada. In addition, he takes an active part in community activities being a member of:  
The Board of Directors of the Dover Y.M.C.A.  
Greater Dover and Delaware State Chamber of Commerce  
The Board of Kent County Unit, American Cancer Society.

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CLUBS CAN BE WINNERS TOO, at the Convention by exhibiting a club display for competition for the CHARLES LAISTER TROPHY for CLUB displays.

SEE THE TULIPS IN OTTAWA ON MAY 27 and 28th

While you are there, drop into the RA Centre, Riverside Drive, Ottawa for "OTTEX '78", Ottawa Coin Club's two day coin show.

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WHEN COUNTERFEITERS GO WRONG, THEY GO WRONG!

How many times have you really given a good look at our paper money? With the sophisticated equipment now on the market it is comparatively easy to pass this money around and no one would tell the difference, except possibly paper money collectors. While we in Canada have an easy time of it with different colours representing different denominations, our friends to the south of us do not have it that easy.

As a matter of fact, even the counterfeiters make mistakes sometimes. I have pictures of the Presidents of the United States that all appear on the obverse of U.S. paper money. Your job is to link up what president appears on what denomination bill. Answer will be given next month in the Numismatist.



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DID YOU KNOW - - - - that the Island of Cape Breton boasts many fine examples of medalllic art? Next month we will talk about some of the medalllic art and tokens that have been minted especially for this part of Nova Scotia.

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SOME COMMENTS ON - - COIN WEEK CANADA '78: Harold Don Allen, in Truro, Nova Scotia and the executives of the Canadian Numismatic Association should, collectively be given a pat on the back for a job well done during this great and important event in numismatic history. Many, many clubs throughout Ontario put on events that highlighted Numismatics in Canada and perhaps, a lot of the public have witnessed for the first time our monetary heritage. Coin Week Canada provided the participation so sorely needed in many clubs. But, do not relax. Invite the public to your next meeting and have something on the program which will involve these first time visitors to your club. Perhaps you will increase your membership that way but you will never know unless you try.

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THE HUMOROUS SIDE: Little boy saying his prayers..."Dear God: Please bless mom, dad, sister and brother and take good care of yourself. "If you die, we're all sunk!"

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QUIZ: In what year did the U.S. Mint change the composition of the Lincoln cent and for what reason? Answer next month.

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## NEWS FROM AROUND THE CLUBS

The editor of the Stratford Coin Club bulletin reports he is sending out the bulletin with commemorative stamps affixed in such a manner that they will dated and cancelled in a neat manner. A novel idea! since so many collectors of coins also collect stamps. The May meeting will feature a Coin Club Questionnaire and there will be a short session on the Care, Cleaning and storing of paper money and coins.

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The Huronia Numismatic Association held a quiz at their last meeting and it was found hard to stump the members. Several juniors were in attendance and were prompt in answering questions on coins. Lee Ellison won the contents of the old coin box. The attendance draw was not won, so next month will be for \$16.00. Plans are underway for the September show. The club passed a motion to purchase 250 of the commemorative souvenir that the Chamber of Commerce is putting out for Barrie's 125th Anniversary. Noreen Howcroft is the O.N.A. delegate to the O.N.A. Convention in June, while Bill Gage was appointed the CNA delegate to the convention July.

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THE STRATFORD COIN CLUB, in their May bulletin, is trying out a novel idea in that when the bulletin is mailed to a member, the postage affixed is a current commemorative stamp, and affixed to the envelope in such a way that it is neatly tied in with the postal stamp. On the program will be a talk on the care, cleaning and storing of paper money and coins by Frank Smith, Wilf Becker and Ken Wilmot. A quiz is always a feature of the Stratford bulletin.

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THE INGERSOLL COIN CLUB BULLETIN was chock full of numismatic information. Barbara Macnab, the editor of the bulletin won the Charles Laister Trophy for the month of April for her Editorials, which gives the personal touch to numismatics. May 16 is member participation night in which a number of members will take part. Grant Monck appeared on "Morning Break" a television program and again on the Bill Brady show to talk about coins and to advertise National Coin Week. Stella Hodge won the Walter Holmes Award for the year 1978 at the Sarnia Coin Club banquet. This award signifies that she was selected as the Best Member for her contribution to the Sarnia Club. Congratulations! Grant Monck was the co-winner of the Junior Counselor's Award as the best junior in the Sarnia Club for 1978. And 'HAPPY BIRTHDAY' to Howard Whitfield on the occasion of his 75th birthday.

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THE ORILLIA CHAMPLAIN COIN CLUB held a successful show in the Orillia Square Mall on May 6th. The Show evolved around the three major hobbies - Antiques, coins and stamps, with tables being restricted to four coin dealers, four stamp dealers and four antique dealers. There being no meetings during July and August, the members will take a well earned rest, but social activities will include the annual bar-b-cue, followed later with a corn roast.

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"Be not angry that you cannot make others as you wish them to be, since you cannot make yourself as you wish to be" Thomas A. Kempis [Compliments to the Ingersoll Coin Club bulletin and Barbara Macnab]

## Association News:

### MEMBERSHIP

The following applications have been received and if no written objections are received, their acceptance will be acknowledged in the June issue of the Ontario Numismatist.

- 1082 Mrs. Marion Foulser, 36 $\frac{1}{2}$  Ottawa St., St.Catharines, Ontario L2R 1Z3  
J1083 Tim Mason, 12 Devonshire Road, Box 33, Camlackie, Ontario  
J1084 Paul Ducker, 9 Pearl Street, S. Hamilton, Ontario  
1085 Anthony J. Carrato, 4665 Queen St., Niagara Falls, Ont. L2E 2L9  
1086 Brian Doogan, 101 Douro Street, Stratford, Ontario N5A 3R4  
J1087 Norman Albert, 30 Gutcher Street, Sudbury, Ontario. P3C 3H6  
1088 Jan L. Bajorek, 540 Dorchester Drive, #29, Oshawa, Ont. L1J 6M5

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PRESIDENT'S PERSONALITY OF THE MONTH is W.E."Pat" Lambert, Ontario Numismatic Association's past president and 1978 Convention Chairman and Finance Committee member. Pat is a dedicated and hard worker for the O.N.A. His many years of service to the hobby should be an inspiration to all of us.

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LAPEL PINS: These are no longer available and until we receive a fresh supply of letterheads, this will be deleted.

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DISPLAYS" - PLEASE NOTE THAT THERE WILL NOT BE DISPLAY CASES AVAILABLE TO EXHIBITORS. There will be 8 categories according to the display Chairman, Vic Potter, and all firsts will receive a silver medal, bronze medals for seconds and a ribbon for third place. Displays to be in by 1:00p m. on Saturday, June 3rd, and not to be taken out before 2:00p m. on Sunday, June 4th. Judging will take place AT 2:00p m. ON SATURDAY, JUNE 3rd.

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O.N.A. GENERAL MEETING: The O.N.A. General meeting will take place on Saturday June 3rd, 1978, at 9:30a.m. Plan now to attend this important function of your organization.

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COIN WEEK CANADA: Tom Masters of the London Numismatic Association and Director of Area #1 reports a non-competitive show at White Oaks Mall on April 15th - Sarnia Club also having a similar show at the Lampton Mall, April 22. The Waterloo Club will feature displays in Waterloo Square and banks and also to advertise on Cable T.V. Planning a show in the Fall. Fred Jewitt reports the Toronto Coin Club will be setting up displays and information centres to promote the event.

#### *AUDIO VISUAL by Charles Laister*

In going through the many bulletins I receive from member clubs it is certainly encouraging to note that many are making use of the Audio Visual service. Pat Lambert has donated an audio visual program entitled, "The Brief History of the Silver Dollars of the World", which should be a must on your programs for the Fall Season. Plan NOW your Fall programs and try to make further use of the audio visual services, in your plans and complement it with displays of coinage.

## PROPOSED COIN SHOWS

The following are the "ANNUAL COIN SHOWS" proposed for the next few months, that we received notices for, or taken from CLUB BULLETINS. We advise you to check this list as you debate the date of your Club's show, to ensure that your date does not conflict with another show.

JUNE 17 - NEWMARKET NUMISMATIC SOCIETY'S ANNUAL COIN SHOW at the Upper Note Change Canada Mall, Yonge St., and #9 Highway, in Newmarket. Show opens in dates. at 10:00a.m. and runs to 6:00p.m.

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May 27-28 - OTTAWA COIN CLUB'S ANNUAL TULIP TIME COIN SHOW AT THE RA Centre, Riverside Drive, Ottawa. Info. Box 6094, Station "J", Ottawa, Ontario.

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June 2,3,4 ONTARIO NUMISMATIC ASSOCIATION'S 16th ANNUAL CONVENTION hosted by the St. Catharines Coin Club, at Prudhommes Garden Centre, Vineland, Ontario. Info from Box 33, Waterloo, Ontario

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June 17 - See at top re change in date of the Newmarket Numismatic Society's Coin Show. Same place. Write box 142, Newmarket for info.

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July 27,28,29 - - - - -

CANADIAN NUMISMATIC ASSOCIATION'S Annual Convention hosted by the London Numismatic Society. Show will be held at the Downtown Holiday Inn, London, Ontario. Information from the L.N.S. Box 6221, Station "D", London, Ontario. N5W 2Y6.

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A GENTLE REMINDER: The Charles Laister Trophy for the best club display will be one of the features at the forthcoming O.N.A. Convention. Show other clubs what your club can do Time is fast running out. This is one club project ALL can take part in.

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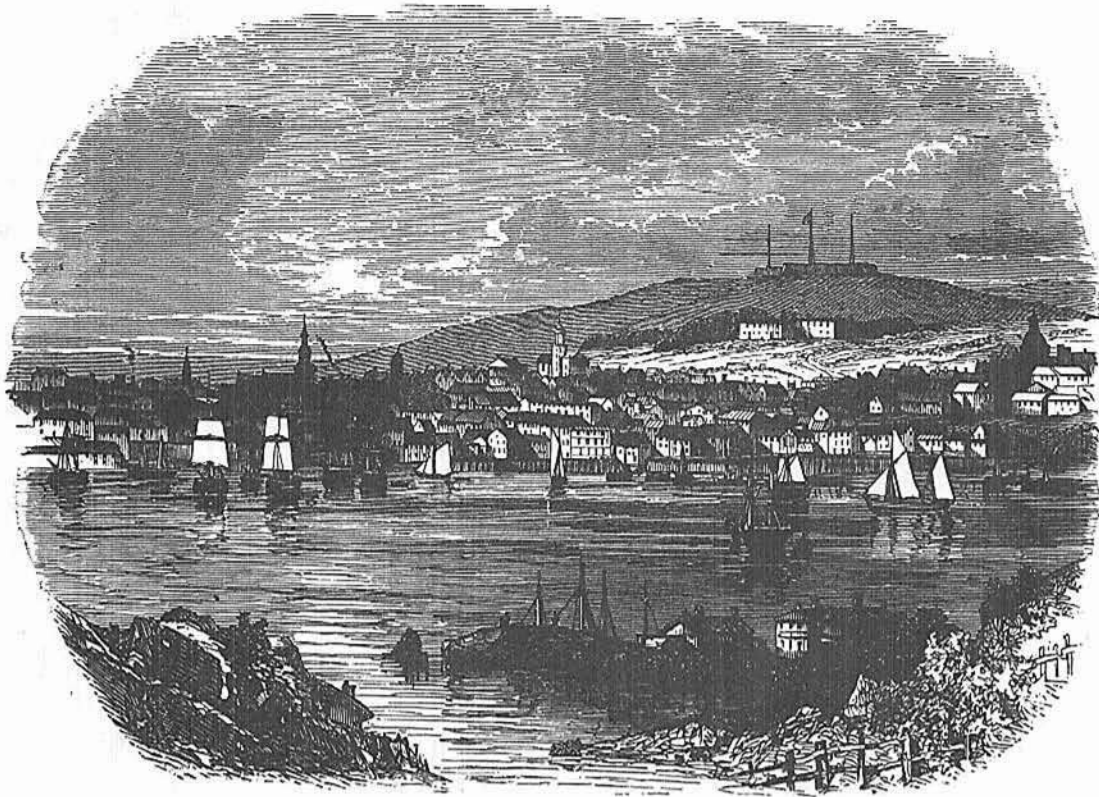
Every one is talking about the upcoming Annual Coin Show at the Woodville Town Hall, Woodville. Ont. on Saturday, June 17th, 1978. Banquet will be held at 6:30p m. and you can get further information by writing to E. Workman, RR#2, Cannington, Ontario.

## PERSONALITIES IN THE NEWS

ELMER WORKMAN: A member of the Victoria - Simcoe Numismatic Association, your editor's choice this month is a man that practically never misses a show. He is a hardworking numismatist, always ready to judge and help wherever he can to make a show a success. He is the spirit behind the Woodville show which is always a success year after year.

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NUMBERING OF THE ONTARIO NUMISMATIST: Page number 159 will be deleted from this edition due to the inclusion of the auction list, which, for all intents and purposes I will denote as page 159.



VIEW OF HALIFAX, NOVA SCOTIA.

The drawing pictured above is that of Halifax, Nova Scotia well before the turn of the century. The city has had an historic past and some of this past has been reflected in the coinage of Nova Scotia as well as the medalllic art produced for an on behalf of the Halifax Coin Club and the Atlantic Provinces Numismatic Association.

Carritt & Alport, Hosterman & Etter, Starr & Shannon, M.W. White, Black's Hardware, J. Brown and many other merchants who have left their calling on numismatic items reflect the type of business carried on in this famous deaport.

The Halifax Coin Club hosted the Canadian Numismatic Association Convention in 1970 and on the medalllic art produced for this ocassion shows the ship, H.M.S. Shannon proud victor of a sea battle in which Capt Broke was honoured by the citizens of Halifax.

The Atlantic Provinces Numismatic Association held their spring rally in the City on May 7, 1966. The obverse of the medalllic art produced for this numismatic gathering depicted the Halifax Memorial Tower, which was built in 1908.

In 1975, a commemorative dollars was issued which was good in trade until October 15, 1975. This token depicts Joseph Howe on the obverse, one of the great leaders of the Maritimes.

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CAN YOU- - without looking at a catalogue - name all the varieties of the silver 5¢ pieces? Try it and see how far you can go.

And then there was the rodent who nearly drowned but was saved by mouse - to-resuscitation.

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## ARE WE PENALIZING OUR DEALERS

Numismatic dealers, like other retail merchants, are independent businessmen, who, under the free enterprise system, are in business to make a profit. Some of them are full time dealers, many are part-time, and some are vest-pocket dealers. All of them have numismatic knowledge that they impart freely to their clients and are a necessary adjunct to our hobby.

Coin clubs on the other hand are non-profit making institutions and yet it is strange, when prices go up, it is the dealer who feels it first by asking to pay higher bourse fees, or in some cases, making it mandatory that they become members of the club to enjoy the privilege of manning bourse space. Numismatic dealers have a high overhead. They must pay all their own expense when attending shows and conventions. They have travel expense, insurance costs and if the show is not too well attended may be impossible to recover any of these costs. Perhaps it is time for these organizations to take a closer look at other fund raising projects and take the heat off the dealer. Dealers are necessary to make a show a success and if the squeeze is being continually put on the dealers, we will have the problem of the larger dealers staying away from the shows.

With inflation being the way it is, the clubs show committee should study the ways of raising money carefully by giving better prizes, such as the ONA did when it gave a trip for two as first prize. Let the club take the responsibility of raising the money instead of letting the dealers subsidize the next show. Cutting down on the number of dealers and giving better prizes will provide satisfaction to both club and dealer.

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June 7, 1978

Bruce Watt, President  
Ontario Numismatic Assoc.  
Box 33, Waterloo  
Ontario, Canada N2J 3Z6

Dear Bruce,

I just wanted to drop you a line to thank you and the association for a fine weekend in Vineland. The convention was really enjoyable, and the Canadian hospitality was outstanding.

There were very few people up your way that I knew prior to making my visit. However, I would have to say that everyone was quite hospitable and certainly made me feel right at home. The reception given me was one that I'll never forget and I certainly thank one and all for a delightful weekend.

Within the next two or three days, I'll be making my reservations for the CNA Convention to be held in London next month. I'm looking forward to that visit as well, and certainly hope to have the opportunity to visit with some of the people that I met while in Vineland.

I do think that the St. Catharines Coin Club is to be congratulated on hosting the ONA. They really did a super job by stepping in at the last minute and putting things together. It certainly went very well.

Once again, thank you all for a fine weekend, and I'll look forward to seeing you in London.

Sincerely,

Stephen R. Taylor

## NEWS FROM AROUND THE CLUBS

The Orillia Champlain Coin Club has a new editor in the person of Mrs. Jan Johnson and she is doing a commendable job. The bulletins are interesting & informative. Betty Draper & Nora Pim won awards at the annual show in May as did Sandy Draper for taking a first and second in the Junior division. Sally took a first in Canadian and first place in Misc. Frank Jones got a second in Foreign. Betty Draper received the best of show. No meetings are planned for July and August, but a bar-b-cue will be held at the home of Bill & Alma Gage on the third Saturday in July, weather permitting. Starts at 3:00p m. Harry Booth will be the master chef. Bring own chairs and your choice of meat. Donations welcome to the salad bar.

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The Ingersoll Coin Club is announcing to its' members that the club will take a rest during July & August. Charlie Laister has been in the hospital and Grant Monck spoke on "Canada Coin Week". Participation night was a success. Grant Monck won the best junior trophy at the recent O.N.A. Convention Tom Masters was recently appointed the new Vice-President of the O.N.A., while Stella Hodhe is the new area director for area 1. The club also won, two years in a row, the Charles Laister Trophy for club display. The club reported the death of Mrs. Howard Whitfield, wife of the club's secretary, Howard Whitfield

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Huronian Numismatic Association in Barrie is keeping its doors open during July and August and all guests are welcome to attend. Business meetings will be dispensed with and in its place will consist of a social time with speakers. Club meets the THIRD THURSDAY OF THE MONTH at the Adult Rehabilitation centre, 175 Bayfield St., Barrie, Ontario. Doors open 7:30p m. We always have two to four dealers in attendance, plus an auction and draws and last but not least, refreshments on the house. Plan your summer by attending one of our meetings in Huronia country.

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### O.N.A. CONVENTION DRAWS

The draw held in conjunction with the O.N.A. Convention in St.Catharines turned out to be a tremendous success. Winer of the first prize was CHARLES EVE , 31 KEMP CRESCENT, STRAFORD, ONTARIO. Mr. Eve wins an all expense paid trip for 2 to the Grand Bahama Hotel in the Bahamas. Second prize of a 1977 Presentation Set was claimed by S. Dixon of 315 Willow Street, Stratford, Ontario. Third prize of a 1977 Presentation Set stayed right at home with Marg Voaden claiming the booty.

Seller of the winning ticket was Bill Bushfield, President of the Stratford Coin Club.

Thanks goes out to all those people who supported the O.N.A. by purchasing a ticket and also to those people who really worked so hard in selling of the tickets.

Special mention must be made of the outstanding work done by Tom Masters and Stella Hodge. These two showed their mettle in selling tickets. Their untiring work was a contributing factor in the sale of over 145 books of tickets.

Congratulations Tom and Stella and Thanks once again.  
Contributed by Ken Wilmot - Area Director 2

## PROPOSED COIN SHOWS

The following are the "ANNUAL COIN SHOWS" proposed for the next few months, that we received notices for, or taken from CLUB BULLETINS. We advise you to check this list as you debate the date of your Club's show, to ensure that your date does not conflict with another show.

### July 28 - July 30, 1978

Convention 78 - the 25th Annual C.N.A. Convention is being held in London, Ontario with activities also being held on July 25th to 27th. The London Numismatic Society is the host and the event will take place at the Holiday Inn, London, Ontario.

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### September 9

Huronian Numismatic Association's Annual Coin Show at the Bayfield Mall, Bayfield St., Barrie, Ontario. Show times are from 10:00a.m. to 6:00 p.m. Come - help us celebrate the 125th anniversary of the founding of Barrie.

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### September 16

Toronto Coin Club's Fall Show and Banquet at the Royal York Hotel, Front St., Toronto. (Ballroom & Room A - 3rd Floor) Admission \$1 00 For info write to Toronto Coin Club, P.O. Box 865, Adelaide St., Post Office, Toronto, Ontario M5C 2K1

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### October 1st

Bluewater International Coin Show, Sarnia Exhibition and Bourse, on Sunday, October 1st, 1978 at the Canterbury Inn, 1485 London Road, Sarnia, Ontario. For information write Box 62, Sarnia, Ontario N7T-7H8

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### October 22

Tillsonburg Coin Club's Annual Show - For further information, write Doug Mitchener, 85 Vienna Road, Tillsonburg, Ontario.

### October 21

St. Catharines Coin Club's Annual Coin Show and Banquet at Westminster United Church, Queenston St., St. Catharines, Ontario. Further information from the club at: P.O. Box 1492, St. Catharines, Ontario.

## PERSONALITIES IN THE NEWS

Stephen R. Taylor - American Numismatist - for showing us a fresh new approach to displaying and exhibiting

TO THE GUIDE AT ANDRES WINES - for turning an otherwise dull day into a memorable event, which to many will remain vivid in their minds long after the convention dust has settled.

# ASSOCIATION NEWS

## MEMBERSHIP

The following applications have been received and if no written objections are received, their acceptance will be acknowledged in the July - August issue of the Ontario Numismatist.

- 1089 Ted Oulds, 32 Kirk Street, Chatham, Ontario. N7M 3P8
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- 1095 G. A. Cleeman, P.O. Box 39129, Winnellie 5789 N.T. Australia.
- C84 Kent Coin Club, P.O. Box 95, Chatham, Ontario.

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WILLIAM ENGLISH - the 1970 Award of Merit winner was the 67/69 president of the Ontario Numismatic Association. Bill was also temporary chairman and later President of the Coin Irregularity Association of Canada. Bill English is also a numismatic writer and was for some time a speaker on numismatic subjects.

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### 1979 CONVENTION

The 1979 Convention of the 17th Annual Show of the Ontario Numismatic Association will be hosted by the Hamilton Coin Club and will be held on June 1st, 2nd and 3rd, 1979 at the Royal Connaught Hotel in Downtown Hamilton.

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### LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Dear Mr. Gage:

I travel a fair bit in my present job, and was in Halifax, N.S., earlier this month (April). While I was there, I visited the Nova Scotia Museum. Just inside the main entrance was a quite impressive display by the Halifax Coin Club. I enclose a floor plan of the exhibit area, showing how the display was arranged. I also enclose a copy of the Nova Scotia Museum Spring Programme, in which the display is featured. You may wish to publish some of this information if you feel your readers would be interested.

In your editorial comment in the March, 1978, edition of "The Ontario Numismatist" you asked for some ideas regarding displays and display prizes. Certainly the display material is often worthy of more than the usual three awards given for each category, and your suggestion would be one way of giving recognition to this. As one who has displayed coins, and has come to recognize how difficult it is to break into the award standard, I wonder if it would be worth while considering the introduction of a classification for exhibitors who have never won an award previously. This could perhaps encourage more display entrants.

With all best wishes for your continued success,

Yours sincerely,

William Lycett, O.N.A. No 162

(Some of the material will certainly be used as space permits. Many thanks for your letter, Ed)

## What is going on - - -

CONVENTION NEWS: Mixed feelings are heard from the 1978 Convention, but one thing is certain - Pat Lambert and the officials from the St. Catharines put on a wonderful show and did such a wonderful job they should be congratulated. The O.N.A. on the other hand. . . The delegates breakfast was a bore, with the exception of the speech from Major Sheldon S. Carroll who delighted his audience with knowledge of his association with numismatics and his position as curator of the Numismatic Collection of the Bank of Canada. The main speaker, Stephen Taylor, provided the members with an unusualspeaker who was both witty and interesting. Mr. Taylor also conducted a small interesting workshop on the subject of exhibiting which was highly profitable Other workshops were conducted by Al Bliman, on paper money which I found interesting, and Jim Charlton, on grading. Grant Monck won the Ray Pleau trophy for Juniors while Paul Johnson won the Doug Wark Trophy for Best of Show. Charlie Laister would like to remind all clubs that when returning slides to the audio visual they must be insured, otherwise the club must face the loss if they go astray. It was announced that the O.N.A. is on the look-out for a secretary and any ladies reading this column should put in your bid - bow. Men are also welcome and the mailing address is on the front page. Bill Gordon has donated a book, "Silver & Nickel Dollars of Canada" from his own library. There was no Award of Merit for 1978. There were many suggestions on how to enlarge the membership of the O.N.A. and one suggestion, having a lot of merit, is for club's who have monthly draws, to make one of the draw prizes, a membership in the O.N.A. What do you think? The audio visual service now has two additions to its library: "Coin Collecting Has Many Fields" and "Story of U.S. Silver Dollar by W. A. Pat Lambert" The judges were Bob Porter - Head Judge with assistants, Norm Belsten, Stan Clute, Elmer Workman and Mel Fiske. In displays - Canadian Decimal - Paul was first and second prize went to Vic Snell: Canadian Paper, 1st to Fred Barley, 2nd to Randy Atkinson: World coins, 1st Jan Neilsen: World Paper, 1st to Stephen Taylor: Medals & Tokens, 1st to Tom Kostuluk: Ancient & Medieval, Bruce Brace was 1st and Jan Dickson was 2nd: Misc., 1st Norm Wells and 2nd Tom Kostuluk

At the Ottawa Coin Club's Annual Show, exhibit winners were: Topical, 1st, Ross Caldwell: General, 2nd, Ed. Burt: Paper Money, 1st Bill King, 2nd Gerry Schneider and 3rd, Roger Beasleigh: Cdn Decimal, 1st Nalthan Harris, 2nd Terry Frost, 3rd Glen Rodger: Gold, 1st Glen Schneider: World Coins, 1st Bernie Walker, 2nd Ray Desjardins, 3rd June Keal, Tokens, 1st Gerry Schneider Badges & Medals, 1st Glen Rodger, : Junior, 1st Roger Dent. The awards will be presented at the banquet on June 24th.

The Orillia Coin Club is sponsoring this draw the proceeds which will be given to the Children's Ward of Soldier's Memorial Hospital in Orillia. If you want to help contact Mrs. D. Horne Secretary, RR#1 Hawkestone, Ontario

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Tom Masters - Librarian

FROM THE LIBRARIAN

I have just finished reviewing the new book, "Silver & Nickel Dollars of Canada" by Stephen E. Dushnick. This book starts off with an introduction to our Mints and its branches, a list of the Masters of the Mint since 1935. The making of the dies are fully documented and the coin process is fully explained. Descriptive terms such as obverse, reverse, legend, portrait, field, etc. is fully explained to make us all familiar with all the terms of numismatics.

A brief outline of our monarchs is found within the covers of this excellent book.

Starting with the 1911 pattern to the 1978 commemorative commonwealth games dollars the author has a fine description and some interesting information on many of our dollars, also included are the counterstamped dollars, some common minor flaws, and major errors.

A thumbnail description of the artist (engraver) is to be found in this book. Information that was hard to find is now readily available. Grading is explained by showing photos, blown up several times their size.

Charts on the coins produced and issued is another part of the valuable information found in this book.

Numismatic abbreviations, numismatic glossaries to help us all to learn more from our hobby. Those who contributed information are noted and lastly, applications forms for the C.N.A. and A.N.A. are to be found on a detachable page at the back of the book.

This book is printed on excellent highly gloss paper, the photographs is of the highest quality with many close-ups of errors, such as the Arnprior Dollars. All of these help to make identification easier.

To date I would say that this is one of the finest publications on our Canadian dollar series.

The O.N.A. library now has a copy of this book for its members' use, and I anticipate that it will be a popular item. You may experience some delay for your request for this book.

For those who would like to own one for their own library this 175 page book is available from Charlton's Numismatics of Toronto or from most of the coin dealers at a moderate price of \$10.50.

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Editor's note - An up-to-date library list is included, but space will determine how many pages we can include each month. The library list will be found on the last page for those who wish to detach same without destroying the newsletter.

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GENERAL ACCOUNT

PETTY CASH @ JANUARY 1, 1977.....	\$ 32.87	
BANK BALANCE @ JANUARY 1, 1977.....	1568.08	\$1600.95

RECEIPTS

MEMBERSHIPS (REGULAR, JUNIOR & CLUB).....	\$1523.00	
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LAPEL PINS.....	32.50	
BALANCE SHARE OF NET PROFIT (NYCC).....	264.89	
BANK INTEREST.....	96.15	
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BANK BALANCE (NON CHEQUING).....	850.00	
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BANK BALANCE @ JANUARY 1, 1977..... \$2489.16

RECEIPTS

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BANK INTEREST..... 183.09     \$533.09

EXPENSES

NIL

EXCESS RECEIPTS OVER EXPENSES.....  
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\$3022.25

LIFE MEMBERSHIP ACCOUNT

BANK BALANCE @ JANUARY 1, 1977..... \$ 53.42

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LIFE MEMBERSHIPS.....\$100.00  
LIFE MEMBERSHIPS (NOT INVESTED)..... 150.00  
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\$ 306.20

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BANK BALANCE - CONTINGENCY ACCOUNT..... 3022.25  
GUARANTEED INVESTMENT CERTIFICATES -  
CONTINGENCY ACCOUNT..... 4000.00  
BANK BALANCE - LIFE MEMBERSHIP ACCOUNT..... 306.20  
GUARANTEED INVESTMENT CERTIFICATES -  
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TOTAL ASSETS 1976..... 10343.53  
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WE EXTEND OUR DEEPEST SYMPATHY TO MR.  
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## TIME NOW TO REKINDLE THE FIRE

The summer has drifted away and there are signs about that signify Fall is approaching and with it, the re-opening of several coin clubs and the awakening of interest in the dormant collector. It is not an easy job and program chairman have an important job on their hands for it will be the programs that will either keep your members coming back time and time again and bring with them new members, or the rude awakening will take place at renewal time. What to do!

Variety is the spice of life and variety is what makes people come back again and again. Film libraries at your local public library are good places for source material. Short timely 16mm films during the coffee break adds variety for the program and gives everyone a breathing spell. Start meetings on time. Keep business meetings to a minimum. Quizzes on little known numismatic facts will help. Round table discussion instead of usual meeting will produce a lot of information as members are made to feel more at ease. Plan your meetings so that everyone is different in some way. Most clubs have about two hours to produce a program and these are important two hours. Make sure everything is covered and always keep something in reserve just in case someone forgets to do something, like getting the film or inviting a speaker. Make your meetings amusing and inviting and you will get your members to come back. Competition on a person's time during the fall and winter months makes your job as program chairman a tough one, but if you add variety your job will be easier, and the member will be happier for it.

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CANADA and NUMISMATICS

by Bill Gage

Canada is a young, and by world standards, a small nation, but in her brief history there lies a rich heritage unparalleled by any nation in the world.

The legacy she has left for collectors, from the tokens of the Hudson's Bay Company through the regal issues of Nova Scotia and New Brunswick to the beauty of the Banquet Sous, Canada has shown the world through her coinage, her glorious past.

Writers such as McLaughlin, Leroux, Breton, Sandham to name only a few of the early numismatists have left behind their records for future numismatists to follow. In their places are Willey, Ferguson, Carroll, Irwin, the late Fred Bowman, Ruth McQuade and others who have shown numismatists the beauty in numismatics.

To add to the tokens and medallic art extolling the beauty and history of Canada, in 1967 Canada celebrated her Centennial by putting on a pageant that brought visitors from all points of the globe to "Man and His World", to sample her hospitality, beauty and culture. The collectors were not left out for the tokens and medallic art issued during the year gave an insight into the people, places and beauty of Canada as a nation, from frontier to modern civilization in the short span of a century.

If past achievements were not enough to last a lifetime, along came the famous Olympic Games of 1976. Through these games Canada has shown the world the achievements of her athletes and for posterity have portrayed these sports in medallic art and coins and have given the collector, not only in Canada, but throughout the world, a diversified array of material from which to choose from. The five and ten dollar coins are truly art in medallic form and represents the largest coins Canada has minted to date.

The Jubilee of the coming to the throne of Her Royal Highness, Queen Elizabeth II has provided Canada and Canadians again the opportunity of celebrating this event in medallic art. Medals were produced for school children by some provinces: Canada issued a Jubilee medal and Jubilee medals were presented to some members of the Armed Forces.

Canada, as a nation, can be proud of her part in the field of numismatics but there is yet a lot to be done. Each of us, in our own way, can contribute a lot by making notes of our discoveries and passing them on to the specialists to be recorded for future generations of collectors. Being a member of a coin club each one can contribute by taking part in the running of the club. Stand for office, assist where you can, help to make the club grow, attend as many meetings as you can, share your knowledge and ideas with the juniors. Only in this way can we achieve success in our chosen hobby. Numismatics is for EVERYONE.

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DID YOU HEAR ABOUT THE MALE TELLER who received five, crisp, uncirculated, bank notes of the 1911 era and after replacing them with five current bills found the new bills did not fit his wallet and proceeded to trim them to size?

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## *What is going on - - -*

With so very little news from clubs during the summer months due to closing, we are going to present here, in capsule form, comments on numismatics from what we have seen or heard:

We have heard that the convention of the Canadian Numismatic Association, held recently in London, Ontario, was a success and everyone seemed to be pleased with the amount of work accomplished.

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KEN PROPHET of the Huronia Numismatic Association is calling for volunteers to set up and tear down the show that will be held in Barrie on September 9th. All tables for the vent have been sold. Feature attraction will be the public judging of displays in the category for Barrie's 125th Anniversary. Plan now to attend and while you are at the show drop by our table and say hello.

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The weatherman co-operated and the members did not forget the date of the Annual Bar-B-Cue of the Orillia Champlain Coin Club that was held at the home of Bill & Alma Gage in Guthrie. Invitations went out to the three area clubs, but while we did not fill the more than acre of ground we had 26 faithful members show up for a fun day of prizes, games and eats. Chef was Harry Booth and over 70 large Idaho potatoes were consumed.

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The July bulletin of the City of Ottawa Coin Club is full of tid-bits of information on what is going on in the Capitol. Len Fletcher, O.N.A. director reported on the activities of the O.N.A. Convention held in June. Ed. Burt, congenial bank manager from Woodville club reported on the show that was held at Woodville, also in June. Ed is now living in Ottawa. The club plans a Christmas Party, but the big news is the August meeting, which will be a celebration in commemoration of the fact that it will be meeting 125 and all members are asked to bring in a numismatic item worth at least 125 cents. A novel idea! Dan Slade made a set of slides from the recent coin show and donated them to the club. The banquet was a resounding success.

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The Stratford Coin Club reports their Coin Show will be held on October 29th, 1978 and will be a joint venture with the Stratford Stamp Club. Prizes in the display section will be in cash - cold cash - and this in addition to ribbons. Stratford has a lot of plans to make your trip there a success. Put this one on your calendar - NOW! Enquiries are invited by writing "Coin & Stamp Show" P.O. Box 262, Stratford, Ontario. N5A 6T1.

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September 16 is the date of the Toronto Coin Club's Fall Show and Banquet to be held in the Royal York Hotel (Ballroom & Room A - 3rd Floor). Admission \$1.00.

WANTED: Ideas to pass on to the club through the pages of your newsletter.

What do YOU think will make a meeting interesting, entertaining and rewarding? What would YOU do if you were program chairman or president. Write NOW to your editor.

by Bill Gage

Were I to choose my life again it would be that of a numismatist; were I to choose the field of labor, of all the world I would choose tokens; of all tokens, Nova Scotia. These words uttered a little differently by the Rev. Duncan Ross, is the theme for this month's story.

Nova Scotia, a land of rugged mountains flowing streams and hard working folk, is a land of many tales from shipwrecked treasures to the mystery surrounding the legend of Oak Island. Who knows what treasure lies beneath her soil or her waters?

The original capitol was Amherst. Its currency began with the semi-regal issues of tokens from 1823 to 1856. Its decimal issues began with the one cent and the half cent of 1861, six years before Confederation and the first province to adopt the decimal system of coinage in the colonies. Look at the first issues, that of 1823. Compare them with other tokens of the same year. The numismatist will find several varieties such as the closed "2" and the open "2". Individual digits are high in some and low in others. There are several variations of the digit "1". Study the thistle. On some the stem points straight downward so that it is over the third digit. It is rare to find the stem curved so that it points directly at the fourth digit, for example in the 1824 issue. The "4" in 1824 too has several variations. One can spend countless hours studying these early tokens only to find another variety not seen before.

The decimal coins are no exception either. There are several variations of shifted dates and rotated dies. The crown, too, on the reverse have significant variations as one studies several specimens. It is research like this that make token collecting meaningful and worthwhile. The tokens are not expensive and the only equipment you will need is a pencil, paper and a good magnifying glass.

Modern day Nova Scotia has had many colorful tokens issued for commemorative purposes, with most of them being issued on the Island of Cape Breton. The Cape Breton Coin Club issued a token depicting the Fortress at Louisbourg. The Miner's Museum at Glace Bay, issued, as a Centennial project, a token in the stylized shape of a lump of coal. This token appeared in two different metals: bronze colored jet black and the other aluminum bronze. Both show the Miner's Museum and the 1967 date. Sydney Garrison Sgt's Mess issued a bronze token in 1967 showing on the reverse the four regiments comprising the Garrison Mess. The Kinsmen Club of Sydney issued both a wooden nickel and a aluminum token, the token being named the Two-Bit token. Another token was minted, called the Black Friday token, in Sydney, so called because of the untimely closing of the Sydney Steel Works by the Hawker Siddley Group. The regular issue came out in the wrong size, the size of a 25 cent piece. The error was corrected and the regular token was approximately the size of a Silver Dollar, and carried on the obverse, "Sydney, N.S./Black Friday/October 13, 1967. The regular tokens were counterstamped with the words, "May 1st, 1968/TEANIN GHLACACH, Gaelic for HOLD FAST. The same reverse is common to all types, a short statement on the closing of the plant. All issued in aluminum.

The Cape Breton Tourist Association, in an effort to publicize the Island has issued tokens of interest to the collector. The first one was issued in

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1976 and expired on October 15, 1976. The same obverse is common to all the tokens in that they feature the MacPuffin bird and the dollars are called, MacPuffin Dollar. They are fifty cent size and made of nickel. The 1976 reverse depicts a steam locomotive of the Cape Breton Steam Railway at Port Morien. The 1977 issue was in recognition of the Girl Guide movement which, during 1977, held their largest jamboree on the Island.

The Dartmouth Museum Society issued a bronze token celebrating Canada's Centennial in 1967. The Nova Scotia Coin Club has issued several tokens in the past in commemoration of conventions with the Canadian Numismatic Association and with their co-host the Nova Scotia Stamp Club. Each token reflects some part of Nova Scotia's heritage and to her commerce on the largest highway in the world, the Atlantic Ocean.

Nova Scotia is proud of her heritage and it can be truly proud of its many tokens, for every one is a work of art depicting for all generations the historical significance of the culture and beauty of the province. Why not adopt a province to-day and study and collect its early and modern issues? You will be happy you did.

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DID SOMEONE SAY A JACK? A CUMBERLAND "JACK"? - This is the name for a coin in its broadest sense, which comes very often into the hands of many collectors and causes a great deal of puzzlement as to its identity, with some, even believing it is a gold piece of some value.

In 1837, the first year of Queen Victoria's reign, someone was needed to become ruler of Hanover. Victoria could not be Queen of England and Queen of Hanover at the same time, so the Duke of Cumberland was so elected. He soon left England, leaving behind him a wave of unpopularity. The public felt like a demonstration, and demonstrate they did - by issuing this token. It shows a rider fighting a two headed dragon, with the words, "TO HANOVER" on the reverse and a bust of Victoria and the words, "VICTORIA REGINA" on the obverse. These coins are struck in brass and are 22mm across. They weigh  $3\frac{1}{2}$  grams and were used as card counters and gambling tokens for many years. A "Jack" was any small counter or token of the period.

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awards for scholaristic achievements, military valor, civilian heroism and similar merits. They are also struck to commemorate great events and to honor famous people.

In case anyone wants a concise definition of money, here it is. "Money is what you buy things with". For those who want a more sophisticated definition, "Money is the medium of exchange, in which the value of all things is expressed. The piece of metal on which a design is impressed to produce a coin is called a blank, a flan, or planchet.

The side of a coin bearing the principal design is called the obverse. In Canada the obverse bears the Queen's head; hence the expression, "heads". The opposite side of a coin is the reverse, popularly called, "tails". In Canada the reverse bears the date, the value, and the word Canada as inscriptions. The main design on either side of a coin is called the type. Smaller things shown on some coins are called symbols. -to be continued

# ASSOCIATION NEWS

## MEMBERSHIP

When one thinks of enthusiasm one immediately thinks of Pat Lambert for over the years Pat has seen more shows and did more to organize them than any other person. It was because of this that Pat Lambert was selected in 1971 to be the Ontario Numismatic Association's nominee for the coveted Award of Merit.

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HAMILTON IS THE CITY and the site is the Royal Connought Hotel for the 1979 Convention in the steel city. Plan now to attend and now is the time to get busy on your displays.

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LIBRARY SERVICES: We have included in its entirety the complete library list on the last pages of the Numismatist so that members may put them in a binder for future use. Spaces are also given after each division to include donations or acquisitions from time to time as they are noted in the newsletter. Use the library for fun & profit.

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The following member clubs are holding coins shows in the near future. Cut out and pin up for future information!

Bluewater International Coin Show on Sunday, October 1st, 1978  
Will be held in Sarnia at the Canterbury Inn, London Rd.,  
Write Box 62 Sarnia for further information.

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St. Catharines will be holding their Annual Coin Show & Banquet on Saturday, October 21, 1978, at Westminster United Church, Queenston St., St. Catharines, Ont. P.O. Box 1492 is the address for more information.

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The very next day, on October 22, 1978 is the Tillsonburg, Ontario Coin Show and information may be had by writing to Doug Mitchener, 85 Vienna Road, Tillsonburg, Ontario.

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1978 GOLD COIN: The government's decision to mint a \$100.00 commemorating national unity is a fresh approach and one that should be welcomed by collector and public alike. All too often we see coins being issued for explorers, Royalty and Athletics, but a coin that will be truly Canadian will be refreshing. We have many interesting points of interest across this land of ours, that anyone of them would grace our coins gracefully, but it seems sometimes, designers give us what they think they would like, but it does not necessarily mean we all like it.

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PROGRAM CHAIRMAN: Write NOW to Charles Laister, Highway 8, Tillsonburg, Ontario for a list of audio visual subjects he has on hand. Make reservations now for the fall season.

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CORRECTION: In the article above entitled, 1978 Gold Coin, the words "gold coin" was omitted after the value in the first line. Ed.

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THE JARGON OF THE HOBBY FOR BEGINNERS AND JUNIORS

(This articles, reprinted from the C.N.A. Journal, appeared in the October 1968, issue of the Huronia Numismatic Association newsletter, written by the then editor, Norman Howcroft, and it seems fitting to include it in the pages of The Numismatist for new collectors)

In Numismatics as in any other hobby or livelihood, it is important to know the meaning of the special terms used. The specialized vocabulary of coin collecting is large, but beginners and young collectors need learn only the most widely used terms at first.

To begin with there is the jawbreaking word "Numismatics". What does it mean? This is the name for the serious and systematic collection and study of coins, tokens, medals and paper money. A Numismatist is a coin collector who not only collects but studies his coins, and shares his knowledge with others.

Next is to distinguish between coins, medals and tokens. A coin is a piece of metal, usually struck from a die, impressed with a design and issued by a government for circulation as money. It may or may not have a numeral or inscription of value. Canadian coins all bear the value in words and numbers. The best example of a coin without any expression of value on it is the British gold sovereign.

A token is a piece of metal resembling a coin, but issued by a bank, some business firms, a private individual, or local authority such as a country or city. Tokens may be circulated as money or to be used to pay for goods and services. Such pieces are good only in the community where the issuer does business, or at best only in one province or colony. Most of the Canadian tokens issued before Confederation were issued to circulate as money, and were good in the colony or province of issue. Tokens issued after Confederation were good only at the place of business of the issuer, and were payable in goods and services. Such pieces are inscribed "Good for 5¢ in Trade at the Store" or "Good for one drink at the bar" or "Good for a Shave".

A medal is a piece of metal, struck like a coin, but never intended for use as money or to be redeemed in goods and services. Medals are struck as



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AN EDITORIAL

It would appear, after perusing the newsletters received from clubs, that they are all trying to find solutions as to why members do not attend as regularly as they should, or why, during a show why it is hard to get members to help, or why various programs within their respective clubs die a silent death.

WHAT IS THE SOLUTION? One would have to have the wisdom of Solomon to come up with the answer, for no one really knows what is the solution. Are members really afraid to come forward to give a little talk or volunteering their assistance, or is there some other reason? What makes a member stay at home on a meeting night, or horrors, even forget there is a meeting on?

Many clubs have good programs. One club recently put on an essay contest, but only one member contributed. Picnics are put on with a great deal of trouble and expense to the organizers, but only a few avail themselves of the opportunity of attending.

A lot of people complain about the programs, about the meetings, about the newsletter, and on just about everything else, but did you notice, these same people never run for office, never pitch in and help when help is needed. Some will say, "why, they did not ask me".

Instead of waiting to be asked, step in and offer your assistance, NOW. This is a whole new season, with many shows coming up and the opportunity to help has never been greater. Show that you care about your club and want to make it the best. Display at the meetings. If the executive need changing, run for office and do something about it. Everyone has something to offer, and if everyone offered a little it would go a long way to success.

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THE WAY WE WERE

The house at the corner of Main East and Albert Street in Hamilton is historical in fact as well as in reality, for it is here that Robert Gage wakes up each morning to history. Nearby is land that bears the family name, sold some time ago to Hamilton for a park site. It is here, in times past, that war echoed throughout the region, and something has been left to numismatics.

In London England, at the great museum, there is a medal portraying on the obverse the bust of Sir Thomas Gage, who was the first Governor of Montreal, being appointed to that position by General Amherst, who was then Commander-in-Chief of North America. The medallion is bronze in composition, 3 inches in diameter and shows the General in full army dress. The appointment to Montreal took effect on the 20th of September, 1760 and remained as such until his transfer to New York on October 1st, 1763. One of the most urgent problems at the time was Paper Money and the shortage of it, to pay the garrison, to settle accounts, for clothing, fuel, etc. In a letter to the Right Honorable Earl of Egremont, Colonial Secretary, Sir Thomas Gage outlined the plight in this letter... .. My Lord, As soon as I was acquainted with the Declaration of the Duke of Choiseuil, respecting the debts due to the Canadians, I directed the Magistrates to make out a state of all the paper money of every species, remaining in the Government of Montreal; That the amount of the whole might be ascertained as exactly and as soon as possible: And I thought this step necessary to be taken immediately, before People in France, encouraged by the Declaration to hope for a readier payment here, than in that Kingdom: should have time to convey the paper money they had carried there, back into Canada. The Accounts are made out agreeable to a form given by the French King on the 24th December, 1763, in order to ascertain the quantity of paper money struck in Canada, which has been transferred to France. A ship sailing in a few days to London will carry these accounts with my courier . . . . .

Signed ... Sir Thomas Gage

Paper money and the shortage of it was not the only problem besetting the Government of the day. Shortly after leaving Montreal, Sir. Thomas Gage was appointed commander in chief of North America with headquarters in New York. (General Amherst returned to England). This was confirmed in 1764 and he retained this title until 1772, when he took office as Governor of Boston. In 1774, in a troubled colony, Sir Thomas Gage was appointed Governor\_in\_chief of the Province of Massachuetts Bay, and in May of that year took up his quarters in Boston. The unrest that prevailed in Boston and district for the next three years, with fighting breaking out in Boston at Bunker's Hill and martial law in effect, it was the breaking point for a large number of people wishing to remain true to the Crown of England. This was the first of a number of people named the United Loyalists, who escaped by way of Upper New York State and settled in Cornwall, Prescott, Broskville, Kingston, York, Dundas and Stoney Creek. On display in the Boston Museum is a large, 3 inch silver medallion showing Bunker's Hill in the reverse and Sir Thomas Gage on the obverse.

In the British Museum, in London, England, are the private papers, medals dispatches, order-books, Regimental and General Orders and correspondance dealing with his term of office in Montreal New York & Boston There are

good examples of Card Money used in Canada in place of currency. The Treasury notes that were issued to replace the Card Money are also on view.

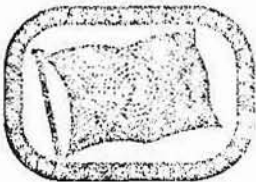
All of the United Empire Loyalists fleeing to Canada were given grants of land and one of these families that fled Boston during this turmoil was Loyalist James Gage, nephew of William and Mary Gage who were given a grant of land on the 21st Concession of Saltfleet Township. The home erected there became again, in less than thirty years from being erected, a place of history since war was declared between the United States and Canada. The march on Canada began in Newark now Niagara and moved on to Stoney Creek. This group of American militiamen decided to camp there and for their purposes seized the home of William and Mary Gage and turned the home into a military establishment. That night, a group of British Regulars under the command of Colonel Harvey, camped not too far away, decided on a surprise attack, since the Americans were not familiar with the layout at night. The attack came at 10.30 p.m. on June 6th, 1813, catching the enemy by surprise, who soon turned and fled across 40 mile creek to safety. A medal was struck by Wellings of Toronto commemorating the aid and comfort Mary Gage gave to the wounded on both sides. The medal was produced  $1\frac{1}{2}$  inches in diameter and appears in both .999 silver and bronze. The old homestead is now a museum renamed, Battlefield House, and is situated on land donated to the Ontario Government at the end of Highway 20, in Stoney Creek.

The same war, 1812 - 1814, produced many casualties, most notably that of General Sir Isaac Brock who was fatally wounded in battle on the 13th of October, 1812, in Queenston Heights. A medal detailing Brock's exploits has also been minted by Wellings of Toronto in both bronze and .999 silver.

Wellings of Toronto was also instrumental in producing medallions showing other parts of the war of 1812 and 1814, by minting the Battle of York medal depicting the conquest of Toronto by a small band of Americans. Eastward, battles were fought at Chrysler's Farm and Brockville.

There are many fine numismatic material in existence that can be developed from the American Revolution of 1776 and Canada's war of 1812-14. Some are hard to locate while others are comparatively easy to obtain.

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THE INTERNATIONAL POLICE  
COIN & STAMP CLUB



The two items produced above show first the insignia on the left, the official crest of the International Police Coin & Stamp Club which show the United Nations flag in the field and around, the words, International Police Coin & Stamp Club. This club was formed by William Gage and William Buckner in 1962. Members of this club were serving police officers throughout the world, with most of them belonging to the International Police Association. Meetings were begun in the Community Centre at 5090 Yonge Street, in Willowdale, but because of the nature of the Club, decided to dispense with meetings in favor of correspondence with only the executive members meeting in various places. Turn to page 188

# What's Up

It is that time of the year again, when leaves start falling in ever increasing numbers, the wind gets a little more colder and the rain feels like sleet on the face. It is the season for gremlins, ghosts and the oldest known flying object, the witch. It is also time to get the calendar down and mark the forthcoming coin shows on it for a daily reminder not to miss any this year.

There are several good shows coming your way: Thistletown, Richmond Hill, Tillsonburg, St. Catharines, Windsor, Stratford and the fall Torex, the biggest of them all. Two show dates, unfortunately, conflict, and it is a pity, for the both of them have hardworking members, draw good crowds and the hospitality is really good. What a complex situation, although I suppose one could start at Richmond Hill, and then continue on to St. Catharines, arriving on time to attend the show and the banquet. Robert Aaron is the guest speaker at St. Catharines, and the banquet is always worthy of your attendance. Fred Barley always has something up his sleeve to attract the attention of the collector and the wandering public and displays are always most notable. I suppose you can let the wife loose in the Mall, and it is a good Mall with many excellent stores, while you go around the bourse tables. The banquet would make the day exciting and for a really good week-end, why not treat yourself to Stratford's hospitality, by staying over Saturday night and catch their show on Sunday, at the Legion Hall. Numismatic week-ends like this do not happen very often.

Many clubs are approaching their anniversaries, most notably is St. Catharines which is celebrating their 20th year as a coin club.

Richmond Hill, in their brochure on the show, makes finding the location easy for the collector who has never been in the vicinity before by enclosing a map of the region showing all the major and minor roads, streets and highways. Cuts down on unnecessary driving and lost time.

Mr. Ray Else of the St. Thomas Numismatic Association recently returned from a visit to Mexico where he viewed the pyramids and ruins of the Inca's. As a result of his study in the area, Mr. Else will show slides in that area at the meeting in September. St. Thomas meets each month at Central United Church.

Thistletown Coin & Stamp Club meets in the Public Library on Albion Road, just west of Kipling. Time is 7:30p m. to 10:00p.m. Their big show is on the 21st of October at the same location as the meeting. President Norm Belsten is appealing for members for assistance on the day of the show and for donations to make their show auction a success. Participation is the key to make any show a success, not only from the club's own members, but from collectors who can attend the show and by their presence make the numbers increase.

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On the following two pages, are first, an articles which appeared in the Toronto Coin Club newsletter of October, which may be of interest to our members and the second page show some of the highlights of the Show held by the Toronto Coin Club, in the Royal York Hotel, in Toronto. Per- ypu will see someone you know in the pictures. Thanks to John Regitko & the Toronto Club for using this material. Turn to pages 185 and 186

The St. Catharines Coin Club recently held their 194th meeting. President Hal Siemens reports the death of Mike Chorney on September 12th, 1978. Mike was an active member of the club for about eight years. One of the founding members, Cy Dillon, was welcomed to the meeting by President Siemens. Other founding members present were: Presidents Vic Snell, Pat Lambert, Howard Hill Bernard "Cookie" Cooke, Treasurer Fred Barley and Earl Whittard. Guest speaker was Sgt. Michael Miljus, Niagara Regional Police Department attached to the Crime Prevention Branch, whose subject was counterfeiting. The auction was conducted by Lloyd Dorsey assisted by George Oblinsky and Pete Kostyk.

Stratford Coin Club reports their essay contest has come to an end with the winner being Wilf Becker's story on the Canadian Silver Dollars. The President's trophy has been located and will now be suitably engraved with the names of the last two winners, Dennis McFadden and Grant Monck. The dinner meeting was a success with guest speaker Robert Aaron talking on the Canadian Mints. A number of prizes were won and Ken reports the Roast Beef was delicious.

The editor of the Ottawa Coin Club has put the question squarely and worth repeating here: My friends, our next gathering will be the 125th consecutive meeting of our club. It calls for at least a small celebration and a big birthday present. What can we give ourselves as a fitting tribute for this occasion? What can we give our members who have weathered many a storm, played a leading part in the development of numismatics in Canada and generally enhanced the hobby of coin collecting? The answer is simple. It is for every member who receives a copy of this bulletin to make a real effort to attend this very special meeting. It is easy to belong to a club, yet, not really belong. To pay the dues, receive the advantages, but not put oneself out to make the club a success. To let someone else have the worry and do the work! Perhaps our club is beginning to suffer from the malaise of many clubs that have been running for a few years. A good size membership, but most of the real work of the club is being left to a few old stalwarts. (Sounds, familiar, doesn't it, Ed)

The September meeting of the Ingersoll Coin Club will feature a talk to be given by Grant Monck on the subject of his experiences at the A.N.A. Seminar at Colorado Springs. Grant Monck was notified that he had won one of the American Numismatic Association's Junior Scholarships, which entitled him to a free one week course on Numismatics at the A.N.A. Headquarters in Colorado Springs. At the Canadian Numismatic Association Convention in London, Ontario, Grant was awarded the C.N.A. Outstanding Junior Numismatic Award for 1978. All this for a young man, who may not be 15 years old yet. Quite an accomplishment. Grant Monck reported on the activities of the O.N.A. Convention, while editor Barbara Macnab reported on her activities at the C.N.A. and her special guests from the Atlantic Provinces, Harry & Linda Eisenhauer. President Tom Masters is about ready to take off for his vacation to the East Coast and by the time he reads this will be back at the grind again.

The Huronia Numismatic Association chalked up another successful show and all ready to tackle the spring show in February. All tables have been booked for the February show. The slide program shown at the September meeting was on the Nova Scotia coins of Bill Gage, with the photography done by Norm Howcroft. The slide series was shown as a tribute to the 125th Anniversary of the founding of Barrie, Ontario. Norm Howcroft is the club's photographer, and many other slides will be produced in the future. Norm has photographed the last show and the last meeting and these slides will be viewed at a later date.

## THE ARTS, CRAFTS, HOBBIES '78 BUILDING

y Fred W. Brown, Manager - Arts, Crafts, Hobbies '78

With 1978 marking Centennial Year for the Canadian National Exhibition, the Arts, Crafts, Hobbies Building did its share to make the celebrations complete. Known as "The building with something of interest for everyone", it comprises 42,000 square feet of space completely devoted to craftsmen, craft guilds, artists, art groups, adjudicated art exhibition, hobby clubs of many different kinds, stamp collectors, coin clubs, photography, ethnic crafts, and hobbies. It is indeed a busy building with demonstrations in the various activities taking place throughout every day of the Ex. The young and the old, the physically fit and handicapped all find so much to delight them as they explore the many fascinating exhibits and talk to artists, craftspersons and hobbyists of all kinds. The opportunity to purchase directly from artists and craftspeople has great appeal for so many visitors looking for worthwhile handcrafted articles for gifts or for themselves. The atmosphere in the building is one of friendliness and relaxation. As well as being a pleasant part of a day at the Ex, a visit to the Arts, Crafts, Hobbies Building is indeed an adventure in learning.

The building itself which was built in 1912, has been officially designated as a historical edifice and is recognized as a fine example of a typical fair building surmounted by a huge glassed dome and two high turreted towers presenting an impressive sight both by day and when brightly lit at night. It is one of a very few buildings reflecting this unique architectural style remaining on this continent and the restoration program which has been underway for two years is restoring it to its original grandeur.

The restoration program on our building has continued throughout the winter. The exterior was restored and with new stairways and approaches, the west side of the building presented an entirely new look. It is indeed a handsome building!

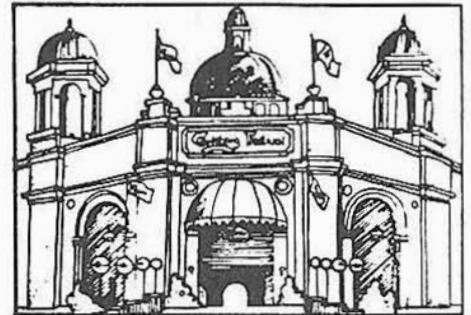


Our end of the park was an interesting place to be, with the addition of Centennial Square. This featured a turn-of-the-century street, featuring period style shops, brick walkways and a typical old-fashioned bandstand. The setting was illuminated by gas and old-fashioned electric lights. Also in the area was "A Century of Transportation" featuring old

and new vehicles of various modes of transportation (rail, highway, etc.). The "century" theme was also revived for the obverse of the Official CNE 100th Anniversary medal sold in the Coin Exhibit of the Arts, Crafts and Hobbies Building.

Across the road from us in the Carlsberg Building auditorium, a 30 foot diorama was constructed depicting the re-enactment of the Battle of York in April, 1913, which took place in the CNE Grounds. This is a moving diorama featuring the landing of the ships and invasion complete with sight and sound.

Objectives of the Arts, Crafts, Hobbies Show are to provide a meaningful feature attraction for the CNE; to introduce people to many worthwhile spare time activities; to aid the handicapped in finding an enjoyable and productive avocation or vocation, and to promote Canadian arts and crafts.



Classifications of businesses eligible for participation in commercial section include artists, craftsmen, art supply houses, craft supply houses, suppliers for model builders (trains, boats, planes, etc.) photographic supplies, suppliers for all hobbies, boutiques selling handcrafted articles, stamp and coin dealers, etc. The number of each classification of business is limited in fairness to all concerned and to keep an interesting and varied exhibit area.

# FALL SHOW

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 16, 1978

ROYAL YORK HOTEL  
100 FRONT ST. WEST  
Toronto, Ontario

## THE SHOW



BOB PORTER, HEAD JUDGE, BUSY AT WORK. THE FOURTY-PLUS CASES WERE OF VERY HIGH CALIBRE AND PROVIDED MUCH EDUCATION AND ENTERTAINMENT TO SHOW-GOERS.



BILL AND GWEN McDONALD VIEW THE 40 CASES OF COMPETITIVE DISPLAYS. MOST ENTRIES, TO BILL'S LIKING, WERE IN THE "PAPER MONEY" CATEGORY.



A WILLING HAND REACHES FOR COFFEE SERVED BY HAZEL MUNRO. SHIRLEY VEFFER PASSES THE SERVIETTES FOR THE FRESH DONUTS ALSO ON HAND.



THE "GUESS THE NUMBER OF CENTS IN THE JAR" CONTEST DREW HUNDREDS OF ENTRIES. THE WINNER, MRS. KATHLEEN GILMOUR, ONLY MISSED BY ONE. ACTUAL NUMBER OF CENTS WAS 2,020.



DAVID FITZGERALD AND STAN CLUTE TURN PROFESSIONAL FOR THE DAY AS THEY SELL OFF DUPLICATE COINS AND BOOKS. ROBERT WILLEY, LEFT, WHO CAME ALL THE WAY FROM ESPANOLA, STOPS TO CHAT.



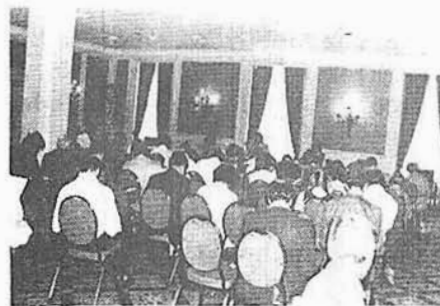
ANDY MACDONALD EXAMINES COINS BROUGHT TO THE SHOW BY EVA PETERS AND JIMMY MATSON WHO FOUND OUT ABOUT THE SHOW AT THE CLUB'S CANADIAN NATIONAL EXHIBITION'S COIN EXHIBIT.



GORDON VANSON, BASIL LATHEM AND BRUCE WATT RELAX IN THE REFRESHMENTS AREA OF THE ROYAL YORK'S BALLROOM WHERE THE ANNUAL COIN SHOW WAS HELD.



WALTER ALLAN SHOWS A RECENTLY ACQUIRED NOTE TO SAM SNIDER, LONG-TIME MEMBER OF THE CLUB AND STAUNCH SUPPORTER OF TCC ANNUAL SHOWS.



THE AUCTION, CONDUCTED BY CHARLES D. MOORE AUCTIONS, WAS WELL ATTENDED. MAIL BIDDING WAS EXCELLENT, WITH FURTHER FLOOR BIDDING VERY SPIRITED.



CHUCK MOORE CONDUCTS THE EXTENSIVE AUCTION IN SALON "A", DIRECTLY ADJOINING THE HUGE BALLROOM OF THE HOTEL.



BRUCE WATT, TOM KOSTILAC, HERB BISHOP AND BERT PEDDIE GET CAUGHT BY THE CAMERA. NORM WELLS' BACK IS TO THE CAMERA.

## Association News:

The applications that appeared in the June edition of The Ontario Numismatist have now been accepted. The following applications have been received and if no written objections are received, their acceptance will be acknowledged in the October issue of the Numismatist.

- 1096 Norman M. Willis, RR#2 Almonte, Ontario. KOA IAO  
1097 Alex Brill, 42 St. Brendon Street, Sudbury, Ontario P3E IK2  
1098 Real Gilbert, 754 Du Rosaire, Apt #3, Montreal, Quebec. H2R 2PI  
J1099 Roger A. Dent, 1471 Orchard Ave., Ottawa, Ontario. KI4 7C4  
1100 Greg Blackwell, 6 Westmoreland Road, London, Ontario. N6J 3N3  
1101 Aubrey Leslie, 68 Yonge St., South, Aurora, Ontario. L4G IM2  
1102 Calvin Leader, 8 Water Street, South, Cambridge, Ontario. NIR 3C5

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FROM YOUR EDITOR: This may, perhaps, be my last issue of the Ontario Numismatist that I will be writing and editing, as I have indicated to your president that due to the tremendous success of my business, which I started in January of this year, I cannot, in all fairness to our members, carry on any longer. The pressures of time allotted to volunteer work have been seriously curtailed in my endeavours to satisfy my customers. This is regrettable

for I have been in the coin scene for many years, and I thought, now that I am retired from Government Service, I would have a lot of time on my hands, but such is not the case. To those that have not heard, I am in the printing and rubber stamp business, an interest that was developed many years ago.

Writing a newsletter like the Ontario Numismatist requires considerable time and fortitude. Without articles from the members and receiving only four or five newsletters a month from the clubs, the job of putting together your Numismatist is a chore rather than a job for articles must be produced, items must be written up and someone has to do the typing. Your Numismatist is a ten page newsletter, and in order to justify the expense of producing this newsletter, there should be a constant flow of articles coming from members of the Association. My basket is empty and has been for two months. The articles in this newsletter, while not the best, has been inserted to fill the gap necessary due to having nothing on hand to write about, and this is the strange part. Members will complain of the lateness of the newsletter, but I wonder if these same members have contributed anything to the Numismatist? It is unfortunate because we have a lot of knowledgeable members who have written on various numismatic subjects and their articles would indeed be a pleasure to reproduce on these pages. But, alas, such is not the case.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all of you for putting up with my typographical errors, caused mainly by a speedy electric typewriter that have the samesymptoms as a faulty machine gun. I would also like to thank all of you that have contributed articles to these pages. The Atlantic Provinces Numismatic Association. The Toronto Coin Club, The Ingersoll Coin Club and the City of Ottawa Coin Club are specially praised for doing such a good good job on their newsletter which are superbly produced and contain many fine articles and pictures. Many clubs do not send me their newsletters, so I cannot remark on them. I have tried to give you a newsletter that is both entertaining and educational along the lines of our mutual hobby. In this, I hope I have succeeded. It is surprising to me that so many members know so little on the Association that I have, from time to time, written items of past Presidents, past Award of Merit winners and past Conventions.

Several fine shows are coming up and these I will not miss. I hope to see a lot of you at these shows and in closing I would like to make a special mention to all those members, who like Fred Barley, in St. Catharines, are trying different means to attract spectators to the display areas and to the show. It is things like this that make a show a success.

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DID YOU KNOW that the 1973 Award of Merit nominee and one of the most dedicated men in the Ontario Numismatic Association was none other than our Treasurer, Bruce Raszmann. Bruce has served for many years as the Treasurer of the O.N.A. as well as being Treasurer of the Waterloo Coin Society. It is not only a hard job but at times a thankless one and Bruce was certainly deserving of this high honor that was bestowed on him in Waterloo.

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Put your best foot forward and join with us in making the 1979 Convention to be hosted by the Hamilton Coin Club a memorable occasion. The Convention will be from June 1st, 2nd and 3rd of 1979 and will be at the Royal Connought Hotel in downtown Hamilton.

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Displays is the one thing that the public will want to see and it is by displays that other clubs will assess the failure or success of the Convention. Plan your displays NOW, during the winter months, so that they will be ready when Convention time rolls around.

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INTERNATIONAL POLICE, Cont'd - The Toronto Chapter of the Association had two shows, one at the Willowdale location and two years later, at Alliston, in Simcoe County. For the second show, a wooden nickel was produced by the members, and the insignia on the right shows the obverse of the nickel, while the club crest dominated the reverse. There were only 25 wooden nickels issued and none exist to day, except by Norman Wells of the Canadian Wooden Money Collectors. Our first speaker was Mr. Cale Jarvis of Toronto who gave us encouragement in our founding years. The newsletter which the Association produced was sent to members in 121 free countries of the world. The Club does not exist now, but is part of the overall structure of the International Police Association.

# SHOW TIME

October 21 Thistletown Coin and Stamp Club's Annual Show. Information Box 1143, Station "B", Weston, Ontario. M9L 2R8

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October 22 Tillsonburg Coin Club's Annual Show at the Orange Hall, Brock St., Tillsonburg, Ontario.

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October 28 Richmond Hill, Ontario. Richmond Hill Coin Club's Annual Show at the Hillcrest Mall, Yonge St., Richmond Hill, Ontario. Information can be obtained from: Box 386, Richmond Hill, Ontario. L4C 4Y6

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October 28 St. Catharines Coin Club's Annual Coin Show and Banquet at Westminster United Church, Queenston Road, St. Catharines, Ontario. Information on the show can be obtained by writing to the following address: P.O. Box 1492, St. Catharines, Ontario. L2R 7J9

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October 29 Stratford Coin and Stamp Club's Annual Show at the Legion Hall corner of St. Patrick St. and Church Streets, in Stratford. Address your inquiries to: P.O. Box 262, Stratford, Ontario.

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November 4 Oshawa Coin Club's Annual Show at the Midtown Mall, Oshawa. Write" Box 212, Oshawa, Ontario. L1H 7L1 for information.

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November 5 Windsor Coin Club's Annual Show at the Holiday Inn, 480 Riverside Drive, West, Windsor. For information, write W. Holzel, 3401 McKay, Windsor, Ontario N9E 2N8.

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November 9 Fall Torex '78 at the Sheraton Centre Hotel, 123 Queen Street,  
10 West, Toronto. For information on the show - bourse - displays  
11 etc, write to: Peter Findlay, Box 28, King City, Ontario.  
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ONE WORTH PASSING ON: Timmy surprised his grandmother with a cup of tea in bed. "It's delicious", she told him. "I'm glad", said the child. "I was worried because I had to use milk out of the cat's saucer." (Top of the hat to the Stratford Newsletter for this one, Ed)

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## A NUMISMATIC PEACE SYMBOL

by Ted Banning

Many of us know the temple of Janus as that odd-looking square structure pictured on the reverses of many coins of the Roman Emperor Nero. These coins were struck in commemoration of the peace made with Parthia in A. D. 66, so the legend PACE PR TERRA MARTQ PARTA IANVM CLVSTIT ("Peace having been borne through land and sea, he closed the Janus"). Suetonius (Nero, xiii) tells us that "...the people hailed Nero as a conquerer and, after dedicating a wreath in the Capitol, he closed the double doors of the temple of Janus, as a sign that all war was at an end."

The temple of Janus was not really a temple at all. It was described by the Byzantine historian, Procopius, as a tiny rectangular sanctuary consisting of two bronze doors connected by walls faced with bronze. It adjoined

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the south-west corner of the Basilica Aemilia where the Argiletum enters the Roman Forum, although its exact location is uncertain. It was just large enough to contain a bronze statue of two-faced (bifons) Janus about seven feet high and twelve small altars dedicated to the twelve months. January, which replaced March as the first month in 153 B. C., was named after Janus, as Janus was god of beginnings. It was because of this that the magic of Janus was needed in starting a war, and the doors of his sanctuary were always open except on those rare occasions when Rome was at peace.

The Janus Quirinus or Geminus, as the sanctuary was known, was closed first by King Numa, then by Titus Manlius Torquatus after the First Punic War, or so we are told (Hor. Carm., IV, 15). Emperor Augustus was third to perform this symbolic function (Suetonius, Oct. xxii), and the Janus was not closed again until A. D. 66 when Nero made peace with Parthia (Suet., Ner. xiii).

The symbolism of the closed Janus, as depicted on the coinage of Nero (with similar allusions on some coins of Augustus) was not, however, an isolated incident. On 2 April, 1559, almost fifteen centuries later, came the Peace of Cateau-Cambresis, ending "...the struggle which had gone on for some sixty years between France and Spain" (G. F. Hill, Historical Medals in the British Museum, London: 1924, pp. 98-99). This too was commemorated numismatically. A silver medal by Giampaolo Poggini shows the bust of the Spanish king, Philip II, in armour on the obverse, while the reverse is an obvious allusion to Nero's sestertii and asses: Peace burning arms before the temple of Janus with its doors closed and the legend, "Peace established on land and sea, 1559."



Yet another example comes from a series of medals almost entirely inspired by ancient coins. A medal of Napoleon I of France commemorates the Peace of Presbourg in 1805 with a fanciful picture of the temple of Janus with doors closed, a four-faced (quadrifons) Janus' bust on the roof.

(Reprinted from Central Coin Club's newsletter of July, 1977)



## A FEW WORDS FROM YOUR NEW EDITOR

The President of the Ontario Numismatic Association has appointed me to the post of Editor of the Ontario Numismatist, to succeed Mr. Bill Gage, the previous Editor, who has relinquished this task due to other commitments. I believe that I am equal to the job, having been Editor of three coin clubs' newsletters, and having spent a year as Assistant Editor of The Canadian Numismatic Journal (Oct., 1972 to Oct., 1973). There are several changes which I would like to see occur in the Ontario Numismatist and these might come to pass, in time. For the present, however, the main order of business is to attempt to maintain a high standard of material contained in the publication and to get it mailed out to you, the O. N. A. members, on time. These two points will always be my first priority as Editor. Hopefully, the current postal farce will be finished by the time this issue is ready for mailing.

## (Editor's Comments, cont'd):

No journal can fulfil its responsibilities without contributions and feedback from its readers - that is, from the Association's members. At the same time, the hardest task facing the editor of any journal is that of getting enough good articles to include in the publication. With this in mind, I invite --- No, I REQUEST O. N. A. members to submit articles for publication in the Ontario Numismatist. If you have a particular interest in an area of numismatics that you would like to share with fellow collectors, we'd like to hear from you. Worried about your grammar? Don't be. That's what an editor is for: to make sure that articles appear in a readable form. Do you have a gripe about something in the O. N. A. or in the Ontario Numismatist? Or an idea you would like to see implemented? Why not write a "Letter To The Editor" of the Ontario Numismatist and air your views? I invite all such correspondence.

And let's not forget about the importance of input from the O. N. A. member coin clubs. This is also an important feature of your provincial publication: I invite all club editors to send in copies of their monthly bulletins, coin show information, and news releases, for consideration.

The Ontario Numismatist is YOUR journal. Let's make it the best regional publication in Canada.

All correspondence, manuscripts, etc., should be sent to me at the following address:

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I look forward to hearing from you.

## FROM THE A.N.A.

Since the O. N. A. is a member of the American Numismatic Association, I thought that the following information might be of some interest to O. N. A. members:

## "Six Members Added to ANA Hall of Fame

"In the 1978 biennial election, six members were named to the Numismatic Hall of Fame, a Shrine of the American Numismatic Association. Two of them, Lee F. Hewitt and R. S. Yeoman, are the first living persons inducted into the Hall since it was established in 1968. Results of voting by the panel of electors were announced at the Houston convention banquet on August 26.

"The six elected, in alphabetic order, are:

"Frederick C. C. Boyd, ANA 1594, New York City area. ANA board member and other offices; active in the American Numismatic Society and the New York Numismatic Club; formed and exhibited an exceptional collection of U. S. numismatic material.

"Victor D. Brenner, ANA 841, New York City. One of the most notable of twentieth century medalists; designer of the Lincoln cent and, among many others, several outstanding medals issued by the ANS.

"David M. Bullowa, ANA 3533, Philadelphia. Author of numerous numismatic articles and several monographs. Prominent member of ANS and served actively on a number of important ANA committees.

"Lee F. Hewitt, ANA 4217, Chicago. Founder and editor of The Numismatic Scrapbook Magazine, a popular publication for 34 years. He published several numismatic books and was very instrumental in the revival of (United States) proof set issues in 1936.

"J. Henri Ripstra, ANA 939, voted Honorary Membership in 1944, Chicago. Member of ANA board six years and president another two. Active in organized numismatics in Chicago, and an organizer of the Iowa Numismatic Association. Designed and produced dies for a number of medals and numismatic badges.

"Richard S. Yeoman, ANA 7947, Racine, Wisconsin. Had the leading role in popularizing coin collecting by developing the Whitman coin boards and other collector items, including the "Blue Book" and "Red Book" and other popular publications. Five-year member of ANA board.

"...The Numismatic Hall of Fame was founded by the American Numismatic Association, largely at the instigation of its former historian, Jack W. Ogilvie, to perpetuate and enshrine the names of eminent numismatists of all time. International in its scope, it is for the recognition of those whose accomplishments in the field of numismatics have made their names symbolic to and cherished by their fellow numismatists.

"Names of candidates may be submitted by any ANA member other than a Junior. They need not be or have been ANA members, may be living or deceased and residents of any country. Following a call for nominations in the October issue of The Numismatist (the official ANA journal, NOT to be confused with The Ontario Numismatist.- Editor) in the year preceding the biennial elections (in even numbered years), nominations must be submitted by December 10 on special forms available from ANA headquarters.

"A panel of twenty-five electors, appointed by the ANA board from among members having fifteen or more years of membership, cast the votes that elect candidates to the Hall.

"In the four preceding elections that have been held, the following twenty-nine numismatists, all deceased, were named to The Numismatic Hall of Fame: Edgar Adams, ANA 785; George J. Bauer, ANA 55; George H. Blake, ANA 925; Mrs. Agnes Baldwin Brett, ANA 1196; Henry Chapman, ANA 29; Sylvester S. Crosby, ANA Honorary Member; Frank G. Duffield, ANA 324; Olie P. Eklund, ANA 1961; Albert Frey, ANA 225; John W. Haseltine, ANA 641; Barclay P. Head, ANA Honorary Member; Dr. George F. Heath, ANA 1; Dr. John M. Henderson, ANA 533; Joseph Hooper, ANA 25; Lyman H. Low, ANA 51; B. Max Mehl, ANA 522; Waldo C. Moore, ANA 637; Stuart Mosher, ANA 3660; Howard R. Newcomb, ANA 91; Edward T. Newell, ANA 940; William A. Philpott, ANA 1978; Wayte Raymond, ANA 396; Lewis M. Reagan, ANA 4751; Burton H. Saxon, ANA 921; David C. Wismer, ANA 36; Howland Wood, ANA 93; Moritz Wormser, ANA 1531; Dr. Benjamin P. Wright, ANA 641; Farran Zerbe, ANA 197."

## COIN CLUB NEWS

SARNIA NUMISMATIC SOCIETY'S annual Bluewater International Coin Show, held at the Canterbury Inn, in Sarnia, on October 1, was a huge success, from all indications. The show was well attended by both dealers and collectors. The day included a tasty, friendly, and informal luncheon for the club executive and show committee, as well as certain invited guests. Attending the luncheon were May Drulard, Show Treasurer; Fred Webb, Club Editor and a Past President; Rudy Brill, Senior Director; Horace Bardwell, Club Treasurer and Show Publicity Chairman; Paul Card, Show Master of Ceremonies; Carl Williamson, Bourse

Chairman; May Williamson, Show Receptionist; Don Park, Show Chairman; John Mason, Past Editor; Roy Richard, Club President and Display Chairman. Guests attending the luncheon were Bruce Watt, O.N.A. President; Henry Burke, O.N.A. Director for Area 8; Paul Johnson, Canadian Numismatic Association Ontario Director; Ray Gregory, C.N.A. Club Liaison; and Stan Clute. The hospitality was great, at the show.

Display winners were as follows: category A - Best Canadian - First, Greg Backwell (London); Second, Paul Johnson (Toronto); Third, Lou Wagenaer (Chatham); category B - Best American - First, Tom Kostaluk (London); Second, Lou Wagenaer; category C - Best in Medals - First, May Drulard (Sarnia); Second, Tom Kostaluk; Third, Don Gibson (Petrolia); category D - Best in Foreign - First, John Mason (Sarnia); Second, Tom Kostaluk; category E - Best in Miscellaneous - First, Lou Wagenaer; Second, Rudy Brill (Corunna); Third, Ted Oulds (Chatham); category F - Best Junior Display - First, Cindy Williamson (Sarnia); Second, Duke Backwell (London); Third, Grant Monck (London); category G - Best Token Display - Cindy Williamson; category H - Best Type Set - John Mason. The award for the Best Club Member Display was won by John Mason, while the overall Best of Show award went to Greg Backwell. Stan Clute also received an award for his non-competitive Court of Honour display. Ann Mason also won an award, "for outstanding contributions to the Sarnia Numismatic Society."

INGERSOLL COIN CLUB Editor Barbara Macnab reports that a large number of members turned out for the September meeting. The speaker for the evening was Grant Monck, who told of his experiences at A. N. A. headquarters in Colorado Springs. He related how surprised he was when he was one of ten Young Numismatists selected for a one week scholarship at the American Numismatic Association's expense. The course he elected to take was on grading, and he helped members of the club to understand the new A.N.A. grading formula. He related that he found the A. N. A. Library fascinating, and that he acquired several books for his own library at a numismatic book auction. Another highlight was a tour of the Denver mint. His talk was accompanied by colour slides.

The club's bulletin also contains interesting facts about the origin of coins, the United States cent and half-cent, the Spanish dollar, and "Canada's 3-leaf design on 10 cent coins". Also included is a section on Canada's commemorative dollars.

HURONTA NUMISMATIC ASSOCIATION'S Annual Show, on September 9, was a success, according to the club's Editor, Bill Gage. The displays were reported as being top-notch, but a lack of collectors visiting the show was reported. Toronto Coin Club, North York Coin Club, and Newmarket Numismatic Society were well represented at the show, and Jim Charlton was on hand to autograph the 1979 edition of his Standard Catalogue of Canadian Coins. Exhibit winners were as follows: Junior - Brad Young (Barrie); Canadian Decimal - First, Greg Backwell (London); Second, Tom Kostaluk (London); World Coins - First, Ken Prophet (Barrie); Second, Tom Kostaluk; World Paper Money - First, Noreen Howcroft (Barrie); Second, Lorraine Acker (Barrie); Tokens and Medals - First, Tom Kostaluk; Second, Alma Gage (Guthrie); Topical - First, Norm Howcroft (Barrie); Second, Tom Kostaluk; Miscellaneous - First, Noreen Howcroft. Best of Show - Junior was won by Brad Young. The Best of Show - Non-member award went to Greg Backwell, while the trophy for Best of Show - Club Member was captured by Noreen Howcroft. Noreen was also the 125th Anniversary winner.

NEWMARKET NUMISMATIC SOCIETY held its annual picnic at the home of Locksley Stuffles on August 19, according to Editor Gary McKnight. About twenty people attended and enjoyed the hot dogs and corn which were served. During Canada Coin Week, the club was very active, with numismatic displays in schools and libraries, as well as at the Upper Canada Mall. The topic for the October meeting was the "Death Dollar", to be presented by Ray Gregory. The theme for this topic was the 1958 Canadian commemorative silver dollar.

KENT COIN CLUB (Chatham). Twenty-seven members and five guests attended the September meeting, according to club president and editor Lou Wagenaer. The club decided to have a booth at the "Man and His Leisure" exhibit at St. Clair College on October 7 and 8. Lou Wagenaer delivered a report on the Club Delegates meeting at the C. N. A. Convention.

TORONTO COIN CLUB had a very active summer, according to John Regitko, club president and editor. The club again represented the hobby at the Canadian National Exhibition, by setting up the numismatic exhibit in the Arts, Crafts, and Hobbies Building, and by staffing the exhibit throughout the nineteen-day duration of "the EX", answering questions about the hobby, identifying and authenticating numismatic material, and referring prospective numismatists to the local coin clubs in the area where they reside. The club also undertook the responsibility of making available to visitors to the building the official C.N.E. 100th Anniversary official medal. Representation in the exhibit extended from ancient, mediaeval, and modern coins to coin errors; from regular-issue paper money and printing errors to political satire notes; from historical medals to wooden nickels. A listing of every national, regional and local coin club in Canada was set up, along with the club's mailing address and place and time of meetings. According to the club bulletin, "The coin exhibit was extremely well attended and proved one of the more popular exhibits in the buildings." The C.N.E. exhibit committee consisted of Stan Clute, Chairman, John Regitko and Dan Bowyer. Norm Wells, Reanus Holtman, Dan Bowyer, Tom Beckett, Stan Clute, John Regitko, Al Bliman, Harvey Farrow, Don Bunjevac, and Jim Cartwright helped out with the manning of the booth. The club's September bulletin is a gala 22-page issue featuring various articles on the C.N.E. history and its centennial celebrations.

The Toronto Coin Club's Annual Show was held at the Royal York Hotel, on September 16 with eighteen bourse dealers and a variety of numismatic material on display. The auction conducted by Charles D. Moore Auctions Ltd., was reported successful with over eighty spirited bidders on hand. Awards were presented at the club's annual banquet, following the show. Display winners were: Coins - First, Greg Backwell (London); Second, Stan Clute (Willowdale); Third, Tom Kostaluk (London); Paper Money - First, Gord McComb (Burlington); Second, Jack Veffler (Willowdale); Third, John Regitko; Medals - First, Stan Clute; Second, Tom Kostaluk; Best of Show - Greg Backwell.

Stan Clute, who was the club's representative at the A.N.A. convention in Houston, Texas, presented two awards to the club on behalf of the A.N.A.: the first, a certificate acknowledging twenty-five years of continuous A.N.A. membership by the club, was presented to club Archivist Harvey Farrow. The second plaque was the A.N.A.'s Outstanding Local Coin Club Bulletin Award, which was won by the club for the second year in a row. This was presented to the Editor, John Regitko.



STAN CLUTE, DURING HIS REPORT AS THE DELEGATE TO THE ANA CONVENTION IN HOUSTON, BROUGHT BACK THE ANA COIN CLUB BULLETIN AWARD WHICH JOHN REGITKO, TCC EDITOR, ACCEPTS.



ANDY MACDONALD, DISPLAY CHAIRMAN, CONGRATULATES GREG BACKWELL OF LONDON FOR NOT ONLY WINNING FIRST PLACE HONOURS IN THE "COINS" DISPLAY CATEGORY, BUT ALSO FOR BEST OF SHOW.



JACK VEFFLER, MASTER OF CEREMONIES FOR THE BANQUET, WELCOMES MEMBERS AND GUESTS TO THE DINNER, EXHIBIT AWARD PRESENTATIONS, RAFFLE DRAW AND OTHER SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS.

Keep that CLUB NEWS coming in, folks!!!

GRANT MONCK of London, who was named the Canadian Numismatic Association's Outstanding Young Numismatist of 1978.

U. S. numismatist STEPHEN R. TAYLOR - Guest Speaker at the O.N.A. Banquet in June - who won the coveted BEST OF SHOW award at the A.N.A. Convention in Houston, Texas in August.

JOHN REGITKO, president and editor of the Toronto Coin Club, whose monthly newsletter won for the club the A.N.A.'s award for the best local coin club bulletin again, for the second year in a row, and also the new C.N.A. best club bulletin award.

RAY GREGORY of Cookstown, who has recently been appointed to the post of C.N.A. Club Liaison.

GARY MCKNIGHT of Newmarket, an active junior member of the Newmarket Numismatic Society, who had the initiative and ability to take on the post of club editor and do a fine job with the newsletter.

## Show Schedule

October 21, 1978: Thistletown Coin & Stamp Club's coin show, Albion Library, on Albion Rd., just west of Kipling Ave., in Rexdale, 10:00 A. M. to 5:00 P. M.

October 22, 1978: Tillsonburg Coin Club's Annual Show, Tillsonburg Legion Hall.

October 28, 1978: St. Catharines Coin Club's Annual Show and Banquet, Westminster United Church, Queenston St., St. Catharines. Further information from the club at: P. O. Box 1492, St. Catharines, Ontario.

October 28, 1978: Richmond Hill Coin Club's Annual Show, Hillcrest Mall, Highway 11 at Carrville Rd., Richmond Hill, 10:00 A. M. to 6:00 P. M.

October 29, 1978: Stratford Coin Club, coin and stamp show, Stratford Legion Hall, in Stratford.

November 4, 1978: Oshawa & District Coin Club seventeenth annual coin show, Midtown Mall, Oshawa.

November 9 - 12: Torex '78, Sheraton Centre Hotel, Toronto, Ont.; Admission \$1.00 per day. Children under 12 will be admitted free only when accompanied by a ticket-holding adult.

## Appointments

The following people have been appointed to fill vacant posts in the O. N. A.:

William Gage - appointed to Area # 6 Director

Stanley Clute - appointed to the post of Editor.

# CONVENTION

Start making plans now to attend the 1979 O. N. A. Convention in Hamilton. Details on next page.

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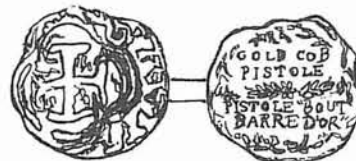
Do the coins reproduced below look somewhat familiar? That's not really very surprising: there are a lot of them around. A lot of people run across them, and are constantly asking "what are these?" or "are these genuine old Spanish coins?" Therefore, for the enlightenment of readers who may have run across one or more of these pieces and be wondering what they are, I decided to explain them in this issue of The Ontario Numismatist.

The pieces represented by the line drawings on this page are promotional items which were issued several years ago to increase product sales. In fact, at that time, I collected the entire set of six different pieces out of boxes of toothpaste. Technically, they would probably be considered as medalets. These pieces are really very crude imitations of silver and gold coins which circulated in the Spanish Caribbean a couple of centuries ago. In actual fact, they are very easy to spot, for a number of reasons. The most blatant giveaway is the fact that they all sport an identification, in English and French, on what purports to be the reverse - languages which would NOT appear on the genuine Spanish coins. In addition, the reverses bear no resemblance to the reverses of the actual coins they imitate. The metal content is another obvious feature, for they are not silver and gold - more likely white metal and brass. The surfaces do not have a true appearance, and there is a line around the rim (see diagram).

In effect, these six pieces (allegedly a Spanish gold doubloon, gold cob doubloon, gold cob pistole, silver pillar dollar, eight reales silver cob, and silver four bits, the latter supposedly being a pillar dollar cut in half) are too crude to call outright forgeries: instead, they probably qualify as fantasy pieces. They have no collector value, other than as "conversation pieces".



This diagram shows the line which appears around the rim of all these pieces.



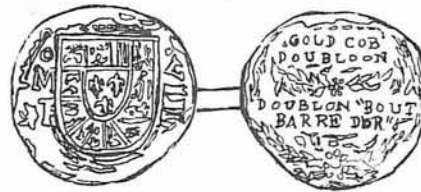
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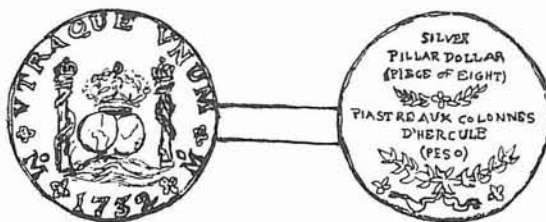
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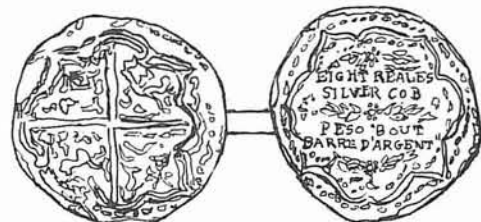
"Spanish Gold Doubloon"



"Gold Cob Doubloon"



"Silver Pillar Dollar"



"Eight Reales Silver Cob"

## MONETARY PROBLEMS



The following excerpt is taken from The Illustrated London News for March, 1859, where it appeared, with news of other happenings, under the dateline "Toronto, Feb. 23":

"Talking of money, you will be surprised to hear that we are again in a sort of dilemma with our currency. Last year it was decided to introduce the decimal system, and accordingly twenty, ten, and five cent pieces were ordered from the English Mint. A portion of the amount (£55,000 worth) arrived in January last. The twenty-cent piece so exactly resembled the sterling shilling that many of them were passed as such, although four cents less in value. But another and novel feature of the coin is that it neither represents our current money nor that of the States. The Canadian twenty cent piece has been examined by the assayers at the United States Mint, and a report published from which it appears that the intrinsic value of the coin is not equal to that of two American dimes, and will only be taken for bullion at  $18\frac{3}{4}$  cents. Therefore nothing is gained by the new coinage except new difficulty in computing our complicated currency. Something ought to be done to set us right in these monetary matters, and the sooner the better.

"(The larger coin engraved above is of copper, and is about equivalent to our English halfpenny. The smaller is of silver, and worth five pence.)"

## A THOUGHT

A very good suggestion has come from Thomas Masters, President of the Ingersoll Coin Club. Writing in the October edition of the club's bulletin, he states:

"Another point that came out of the Woodstock (Coin Club) meeting was a joint December meeting with the Ingersoll Coin Club...

"In the early 60's there seemed to be more participation between clubs. St. Thomas, Clinton, Stratford, Sarnia, Kitchener and Waterloo were represented at many London meetings. It is a rare occasion when this happens today. Let the Ingersoll and Woodstock clubs break the ice. Tillsonburg, Stratford, and London are within easy driving range to further this project. We can enrich our hobby a great deal by finding out what the other clubs are doing. Also, we will be in contact with more collectors to help us find those scarce coins."

This is an excellent idea and other coin clubs might do well to give the matter some thought. Admittedly, some clubs are located so far from others that travelling to meetings elsewhere is out of the question. But, on the other hand, many clubs are located close to areas where several coin clubs exist within reasonable range of each other.

As for the past few years, several clubs in the Metro Toronto area (where, obviously, the coin clubs are all fairly close to each other) are planning to get together to hold a joint Christmas party in December. Since 1975 the North York, Richmond Hill, and Thistle-town coin clubs have been getting together each December for their festive celebrations.



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## HOW TO BECOME A MORE CHARMING CLUB PRESIDENT

By Bruce R. Watt, O. N. A. President

Anyone can become a more charming coin club president.

Charm is a five letter word that works wonders.

Here are a few tips for developing your own charm:

Pay attention to what others tell you. Charm is the ability to put others at ease. Divert your own self-consciousness -- the biggest enemy of charm -- away from yourself by really listening to the other person. Everybody loves a captive audience. Be one. Ask him questions and make him feel he is interesting.

Sound confident. If you sound confident people will believe you are. Sometimes you have to fake it and pretend you are confident -- even if you just lost your chance at the greatest job. If somebody says, "How are you?" fake it! Say, "Just fine". Even that rings with confidence.

Look your best. If you have an air about you that says, "I take the time to put myself together," it's like saying, "I like myself; I like the people around me." When you take the time to look your best, you are commanding the attention of others, and they notice and appreciate it.

Don't discuss your personal problems indiscriminately. Everybody has their own problems and they don't really need to hear yours. Once in awhile it's O. K. to say, "Hey, I need to talk to you." But why complain constantly. Instead, offer something positive about what has happened to you.

Be grateful to your club members and executives who do things for you. Thank them for what they did, and give them public recognition when they deserve it. This helps make you confident and charming. And when you show your appreciation, the other person will, in turn, want to do all the more for you.

Smile. If you want to be warm and charming, you will have to program yourself to smile; even if you have to fake it until your "automatic" smile becomes real. Eventually people will respond to it and, sooner or later, that smile will become sincere. When people realize your sincerity they feel comforted and wanted and liked -- and they feel that you are a charming, sincere president.

To whom it may concern, I hope this friendly advice will be helpful to you. Have a very successful year.

## COOK ISLANDS PROOF SET

The 1978 Cook Islands proof set has a special feature not always found on coinage -- edge markings. To commemorate the birth of Captain James Cook, for whom the country is named, the government has decided to include a special inscription on the edge of every coin in the traditional proof set. It will include Cook's name and the dates 1728-1978.

The set will also feature a new one-year-only design on the five dollar silver coin. Since 1976, when the Cook Islands established a wildlife sanctuary on the island of Manaue, the national holiday, National Wildlife Conservation Day, has been observed.

Two five dollar coins have previously been issued with designs of rare tropical birds. This, the third of the five-year series, depicts the Small Polynesian Warbler. Minted in .500 fine silver, the five dollar coin portrays a pair of these social singing birds at nest. The detail is intricate.



The reverse design of the one dollar coin is Tangaroa -- ancient Polynesian god of creation, navigation and the ocean. This design was molded after a rare carved tiki (wooden image) which is now

housed in the Munich Museum. The remaining denominations bear designs of various flora and fauna of this tropical island group. Every reverse design in the set is the work of a distinguished artist and sculptor, James Berry, O.B.E. The common obverse features the Arnold Machin portrait of Queen Elizabeth II. The coins were minted by the Franklin Mint.

The coin sets are being distributed by Paramount Numismatics Ltd., of Ottawa. An ordering deadline of November 15, 1978 has been set. The proof sets have been priced at \$48.50 each, with a limit of two per person. Proof five dollar coins were also to be made available individually at \$26.00 each. B. U. specimen sets were also being sold at \$23.00 each and B. U. specimen five dollar coins were for sale at \$11.50 apiece. Added to these, however, was a \$2.00 handling charge for each coin set and a \$1.00 handling charge for each individual coin ordered.

## NEWS FROM THE AMERICAN NUMISMATIC ASSOCIATION

The American Numismatic Association has just released news which may be of interest to readers who are also A.N.A. members and may have had occasion to use the A.N.A. Library. Geneva R. Karlson, librarian of the American Numismatic Association for the past eleven years, has decided to put her "book keeping" duties into other hands and take an early retirement. When she leaves, on October 31, she will be the first A. N. A. employee to take advantage of its retirement plan, which was set up several years ago.

Mrs. Karlson was born in Washtenaw County, Michigan, and graduated from Eastern Michigan University with a BS degree in English. She took graduate library science courses while working in the school library.

During World War II she was employed in Ford's Willow Run plant where all-important "B" heavy bombers were built. The Karlsons moved to Colorado Springs, Colorado in 1947.

It was largely through Mrs. Karlson's persuasion that A.N.A. management approved the production of the 1972 A.N.A. Library Catalogue and subsequently the much improved 1977 edition. The Board of Governors of the A.N.A. voted the prestigious Medal of Merit to her in 1973.

Nancy Stith, who has served well as cataloguer and Mrs. Karlson's assistant for nearly two years, has been named acting librarian for the A.N.A.

## "Get Well" Wishes

We are sorry to learn that Trudy Lambert is very ill and is in the St. Catharines General Hospital. As many of our members already know, Trudy has always been an active worker for the benefit of numismatics in Ontario. The O.N.A. would like to take this opportunity to wish you a speedy and complete recovery, Trudy.

Members who wish to send cards to Trudy should send them in care of her husband, Pat Lambert, Box 311, St. Catharines, Ontario, L2R 6T7.

## Mail Bid Auction

The Ontario Numismatic Association is planning to conduct a future mail-bid auction with a closing date of February 31, 1979. Auction lists will be available and will be sent out to members with the February issue of the Ontario Numismatist.

## Medals For Sale

The O.N.A. still has a number of medals available from past years, and these are now being offered at CLEARING OUT PRICES:

- O.N.A. Bronze Medals: 1973, 1974 & 1975 .....\$2.00 each, or 3 for \$5.00 (3 different dates)
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## From the Library

The following book has been donated to the O. N. A. Library and is now available for loan to members:

Pick, Albert, Papiergeld Katalog, Munich, 1970 (text is all in German).

## Show Schedule

February 17, 1979 - Huronia Numismatic Association's Mini Show, Bayfield Mall, Barrie, Ont. Inquiries to: P. O. Box 243, Barrie, Ont., L4N 4T2

March 3, 1979 - North York Coin Club's Annual Show & White Elephant Sale, North York Memorial Community Hall, 5090 Yonge St., Willowdale, Ont. Information: P. O. Box 294, Station A, Willowdale, Ontario.

# COIN CLUB NEWS

In what turned out to be the finest effort to date, Stratford Stamp and Coin Clubs combined to host their third annual Show, Bourse and Auction on Sunday, October 29, 1978. With 494 persons registering and many more entering without picking up their free door prize draw tickets, the bourse area was lined two deep at all the dealers' tables. If there was any disappointing area, it was in the quantity of displays which was partially offset by their high quality. Winning displays were entered by Greg Backwell - Canadian Decimal, Bill Payne - Foreign, Wilf Becker - Tokens and Medals, Paper Money, and Miscellaneous. Grant Monck's display was judged the best Junior and won the MacDonald's Trophy. Keith Savile was awarded the Gordon Steed Trophy for the Best Display by a Junior Member. The President's Trophy was awarded to Bill Payne of London for his Best Of Show display of Great Britain Coinage. The clubs' congratulations and thanks were extended to all those who took the time and effort to exhibit and to the judges Frank Smith, Elmer Workman, and Head Judge Robert Porter. Tom Kennedy was the hard-working Display Chairman. Several non-competitive frames of stamps were also on display to add colour to the show.

Thistletown Coin and Stamp Club also held a combined coin and stamp show. Located at the Albion Public Library in Rexdale on Saturday, October 21, the show was reported to have been well attended. The displays were entered and judged on a "no-category" basis, with the following results: First Place - Gord McComb, Second Place - Stan Clute, Third Place - Doreen Tilly.

The Huronian Numismatic Association reports that its September 21 meeting saw a large turnout of members and guests for the club's eighteenth anniversary. Club president Ken Prophet chaired the meeting. Noreen Howcroft won the President's Participation Trophy. The slide program shown at the meeting was produced by Norman Howcroft and Bill Gage and dealt with the modern-day tokens of Nova Scotia. The slides depicted the culture, education, industry, transportation, and military life of Nova Scotia as it is portrayed on the tokens. A small but spirited auction followed the meeting. As an extra treat, members and guests were able to enjoy a cake specially purchased for the occasion. The club has also announced that all bourse space for its 1979 show, to be held at the Bayfield Mall in Barrie, has been sold out.



H.N.S. President  
Ken Prophet

Richmond Hill Coin Club's members have been active during October. On Tuesday, October 17 three club members, Bob Porter, Tom Bailey, and Aubrey Leslie taped a numismatic program for local cable television. The show, moderated by another club member, radio personality Ron Knight, was broadcast the same evening during the club's meeting. A T.V. set was brought into the meeting, so members and guests could view the show. A week later, on Wednesday, October 25, six club members appeared as guests on the Ron Knight Show on radio station CFGM. They were: Bob Porter, Selby O'Brien, Aubrey Leslie, Basil Latham, Tom Bailey, and Stan Clute. The phone-in talk show was turned over to numismatic inquiries for the evening, with this sextet of numismatists available to provide answers. The response was overwhelming, the phone lines being jammed with calls for the duration of the two-hour program. By way of an additional touch, Club president John Munro-Cape went on the air just long enough to present the host, Ron Knight, with a C.N.A. Coin Week Canada participation certificate in appreciation of his cooperation in arranging similar T.V. and Radio numismatic programs in the Spring in conjunction with Coin Week Canada.

## CLUB NEWS (cont'd)

Then, on Saturday, October 28, the Richmond Hill Coin Club held its annual coin show at the Hillcrest Mall in Richmond Hill. The show was highly successful, with twenty bourse dealers on hand, and twenty-one cases of exhibits. The display winners were: Canadian Decimal Coins - First, Greg Backwell (London); Second, Keith Severs (Cannington); Paper Money - First, Lorraine Acker (Barrie); Second, John Munro-Cape (Richmond Hill); Tokens and Medals - First Jeffrey Jacobs (Toronto); Second, Norm Howcroft (Barrie); Wooden Money - First, Ted Oulds (Chatham); Miscellaneous - First, Jeffrey Jacobs; Junior - First, Richie Zabiuk (Richmond Hill); Second, Gary McKnight (Newmarket); Best Of Show, Greg Backwell. Display judges for the show were Norm Belsten (Head Judge), Elmer Workman, and Ray Gregory. Display Chairman was Stan Clute.

## Editor's Notebook



"CLEANING HOUSE": There is an old saying that a new broom sweeps clean. Well, your editor was doing a little figurative house-cleaning recently and noted something which may have caused a little consternation among some O.N.A. members. Judging by the front pages of the Ontario Numismatist, there has been a bit of confusion recently about which volume number is current. This confusion resulted in the October issue inadvertently being labelled as Volume 16. The editor has now checked back to the issues of previous years and has ascertained that the 1978 issues of the Ontario Numismatist are actually Volume 17. Our apologies to all for the irregularities.

"And speaking of irregularities..." We are still working out a few of the proverbial "bugs" resulting from the recent transfer of editorship of the Ontario Numismatist. One of the major problems concerned is that of preparing two issues of the publication (October and November) "back-to-back". This, in turn, results in various headaches such as the lack of sufficient material on hand, problems resulting from limited manpower, etc. Hopefully, these "settling in" problems will be eliminated by the December issue. In the meantime, I ask all O.N.A. members to bear with us, while we get things back on schedule.

By the time this edition is in the hands of members, the coin show circuit in Ontario will have closed down for the Christmas season. Altogether, the Fall has been a busy and interesting time for coin shows. I have tried to get around to as many shows as time allows, and will continue to do so in the future. One of the most remarkable features of local coin shows, these days, is a marked lack of displays. While most of the displays that are entered are of extremely high quality, the numbers of displays are relatively small. A lot has been written about this lack of enthusiasm for exhibiting, but the results have been negligible. No matter how much is said or written about the matter, the initiative for preparing and entering an exhibit still rests with the collector. Well, what about it? You have a few months, now, to work on an exhibit before clubs start holding shows again in the Spring. Why not give it a try? I can recall one instance of this Fall (and there are probably others) where one junior took first place in his category with the first display he had ever entered in a show.

Well, I guess that's enough editorial chatter for this month.

## Have you used your O. N. A. Library lately?

## COINAGE NOTES

The names of various emperors on Roman coins can sometimes be confusing. Let's take, for example, the name Antoninus Pius. This was first applied to a distinguished senator, Titus Aurelius Fulvus Boionius Arrius Antoninus, when he succeeded the great emperor Hadrian in 138 A. D. Thus we find the legend ANTONINVS AVG. PIVS P. P. (often with some additional titles) on many of the coins he issued after becoming emperor. This ruler died in 161 A. D., after a benevolent reign, and was succeeded by Marcus Aurelius, the "philosopher emperor" whose Meditations is still a widely read book.

The obverse legends of Aurelius' coins often include M. ANTONINVS AVG. or M. AVREL. ANTONINVS AVG., the "Antoninus" being included by Aurelius in order to associate himself publicly with his popular predecessor. Aurelius died in 180 A. D. Incidentally, his son Commodus often used the name ANTONINVS or the abbreviated form ANT, as part of his name on coins issued after he became emperor on his father's death in 180.

After the throne had been occupied later by several emperors and usurpers, it fell to the sons of the emperor Septimius Severus upon the latter's death in 211<sup>AD</sup>. The elder of these two sons, commonly called Caracalla (after a Gallic style tunic which he favoured), disposed of his brother Geta after only one year of joint rule, and continued to rule alone until his own assassination in 217 A. D. Caracalla's real name, however, was Marcus Aurelius Antoninus (he had originally been called Bassianus but his father had altered his name in order to associate his own reign more closely with that of Marcus Aurelius) and this name occurs on his coins in various forms: eg ANTONINVS PIVS AVG., M. AVREL. ANTONINVS PIVS AVG. BRIT., etc. So far, there is no trouble telling one of these emperors from another, as all the three cited above have very distinct portraits, and differences of the reverses of their respective coins.

However, from 218 to 222 A. D., the Roman throne was occupied by a young emperor who was a cousin of Caracalla. Originally, his name had been Varius Avitus Bassianus, but he became known as Marcus Aurelius Antoninus. We know of him today as Elagabalus. His reign was noted for perversion and cruelty. In the obverse legends of his coins we often find the name ANTONINVS or ANTONINVS PIVS. To further complicate matters, not only are his obverse legends sometimes identical to those of Caracalla, but he frequently used the same reverse types and legends. In the case of coins such as these, it is often necessary to attribute them on the basis of the portraits and the style alone. (For illustrations of coins of Antoninus Pius, Caracalla, and Elagabalus, see page 208)

nb: Caracalla had actually been co-emperor with his father since 198 A.D., and Geta since 209.

## FOR WOODEN MONEY COLLECTORS



The wooden nickels shown above were produced for the Oshawa & District Coin Club's seventeenth annual coin show on Saturday, November 4, 1978. They are available at a cost of 3 for \$1.00 from the club's president, Ed Keetch, 77 Bond Street W., Oshawa, Ontario. Orders should be accompanied by a stamped, self-addressed envelope.

## RARE COIN ACQUIRED

Bowers & Ruddy Galleries, Inc., of Los Angeles, California, have announced the purchase of an exceedingly rare 1876 Carson City twenty-cent piece, one of about fifteen known specimens. The coin purchased by the firm is reported to be in Choice Uncirculated grade, and is described as MS-65 on the American Numismatic Association's grading scale. It is being offered for sale by the firm for \$59,950 (U. S. Currency).



Although ten thousand twenty-cent pieces were reported coined in 1876 at the Carson City Mint, apparently very few of them, if any, were actually released into circulation. Of the few known specimens only one shows any degree of wear. It is presumed that those in the hands of numismatists were set aside for assay purposes.

Although twenty-cent pieces were made in large quantity in 1875, they soon proved unpopular with the public who confused them with the quarter of somewhat similar size and design. Accordingly mintages fell sharply in 1876. In 1877 the director of the mint at Carson City was instructed to melt all of the 1876 twenty-cent pieces on hand, including presumably virtually the entire mintage of ten thousand pieces.

Today the 1876 CC twenty-cent piece stands as one of the high points of American numismatics - along with other rarities, such as the 1894-S dime, the 1913 Liberty head nickel, the 1804 silver dollar, and the 1883-O half dollar. Over the years, Bowers & Ruddy Galleries has handled about a half dozen specimens of this rare coin.

## COINAGE NOTES ILLUSTRATIONS (see page 207)



Brass sestertius of  
Antoninus Pius (138  
- 161 A. D.)



Silver denarius of  
Marcus Aurelius  
(161 - 180 A. D.)



Silver denarius of  
Caracalla (198 -  
217 A. D.)



Silver denarius  
of Elagabalus  
(218 - 222 A. D.)

## AN APPROPRIATE STREET NAME?

In a recent price list, an American coin dealer noted that coin jewelry is being sold by the Boston Museum of Fine Arts' gift shop. The Boston address given for the Shop was 29 Sleeper Street.

Keep that CLUB NEWS coming in, folks!!!

## ELECTION OF OFFICERS FOR 1979-1981

In accordance with our By-Laws and Amendments passed at the Annual General Meeting, May 1976, article 7, section 4, we quote; " In an election year, the president shall make a call for nominations of elected officers six months prior to the opening of the Annual General Meeting, in the official publication and at the same time shall appoint an election committee, consisting of a chairman and two members. Members of the committee shall not be seeking the office of President, First Vice-President, or Second Vice-President." This years election committee is made up of Chairman - Henry Burke, Committeemen - Robert Porter and Fredrick C. Jewett. Also we quote;"All nominations shall be made in writing, signed by member in good standing or by an officer of a member club that is in good standing and sent to Chairman of the Election Committee. All nominations must be accompanied by a written acceptance from the nominee or a declaration signed by the nominators stating that the nominee shall stand for office if elected. Failure to do this, nomination shall be invalid and the nominee shall be so advised". The Chairman's address is Box 212 Oshawa, Ontario, L1H 7L1, Canada.

Use the following form to send in your nominations:

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## PRODUCTION

### OF UNITED STATES PROOF COINS

Old records indicate that during the early days of the United States Mint, in fact, through 1858, specialized pieces designated as "specimen" or "master coins" were made, but in very limited amounts, and distribution was confined to presentations to foreign governments, visiting dignitaries, and important personages in the United States.

The public sale of proof coins as we know them today apparently commenced around 1858, during the tenure of James Ross Snowden, 9th Director of the Mint, and he is given credit for first using the term "proof". Production was maintained at the United States Mint in Philadelphia on a fairly continuous basis until 1964, when the more important demands made by a nation-wide coin shortage caused a temporary suspension of these activities. When the service was resumed, in 1968, the operations were transferred to the U. S. Assay Office in San Francisco, where they remain today.

Following a long-established custom, only those coins currently being manufactured for general circulation are placed in the proof coin sets. In later years, this has included one coin each of the cent, nickel, dime, quarter and half dollar denominations.

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## (United States Proof Sets, cont'd)

Since the coins are San Francisco mintage, they bear the letter "S".

Production. These sets contain pieces made from carefully selected coin blanks that have been highly polished before being fed to the coining presses. The dies, made solely for this purpose, are also highly polished, and are buffed during use. In order to minimize scratches and abrasions, the coins are hand-fed to a slow-moving press. This slower action assures sharper, more even impressions and makes the designs much more distinct. Each coin is struck twice. For the most part, this finish on modern-day proofs is mirror-like. After heat treating, each coinage die has a frosted appearance and texture throughout its entire surface. The field, or background, is then highly polished to a mirror finish. The portrait, and all other design elements in relief, are still frosted. Once in production the action of successive coining tends to polish the portrait; the two-toned effect gradually disappears.

Proof coin manufacture requires the same careful, painstaking finishing operations as do pieces of expensive jewelry. Each coin is reviewed to detect any defects which may have occurred in the manufacturing operations. All condemned or otherwise imperfect coins are melted. None are placed in circulation or made available in any manner.

After the reviewing procedures, the coins are placed individually into a cardboard insert which eventually is encased in clear plastic, sealed ultrasonically to form the proof coin case. These sealed cases are automatically packaged in cardboard containers, and placed in mailing packages, ready for shipment.

(Information made available by the Office  
of the Director of the Mint)

## Editor's Notebook



Once again it seems necessary to apologize to members - this time for the late mailing of the November issue of the Ontario Numismatist. The blame must be laid at the door of the postal service which took two weeks to deliver a parcel with the pre-addressed mailing envelopes from the Treasurer in Waterloo to the Editor in Toronto.

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Well, that cold season is upon us again, and just think of all we have to look forward to: the muttering of drivers seated behind the wheels of their snowbound automobiles; the children avidly building snowmen on front lawns, or offering to shovel your driveway to earn a little spending money; last-minute Christmas shopping; the start of another year which we always hope will be better than the previous one, and which seldom is; probably at least one or two blizzards; and many of those of us who had too many other things to do during the nice weather will be starting to turn up for coin club meetings once more - at least until the Spring arrives.

Yep, it's the start of another Winter and all that it brings with it. Club executives will be starting to plan their Spring coin shows, and other members will be busily thinking of excuses to avoid serving on the show committees. Doesn't it all sound depressingly familiar?

## NEW MEMBERS

The applications that appeared in the September issue of the Ontario Numismatist have now been accepted. The following application has been received and if no written objections are received, acceptance will be acknowledged in the January issue of the Ontario Numismatist.

1103 Roger Zabizewski, 9 Ajax Street, Guelph, Ont., N1H 2A9

## THOUGHTS ABOUT PARTICIPATION

(The following article appeared in the October, 1978 newsletter of the Kent Coin Club of Dover, Delaware. It is reprinted here because it is my belief that the same basic situation often occurs in coin clubs this side of the border. How many coin club officers continue to serve on their executives year after year, even though they themselves, having done years of yeoman service for the club, would prefer to step down -- simply because there is no member of the club who is willing to step up and offer his or her services? How many members who could make positive contributions to their clubs are just sitting back, content to let somebody else do all the work, while they reap all the benefits of that work? Inertia among the general membership is one of the biggest problems faced by any coin club. What would happen to a club if all the members of its executive decided they wanted a rest and refused to stand for re-election for another term of office - and nobody stepped forward to fill those offices? Those readers who belong to a coin club - DO YOU CARE WHAT HAPPENS TO THE CLUB? You should. Think about it.)

(Editor)

"It is quite obvious that the vast majority of the members of the Kent Coin Club are not at all pleased with the plans and activities being offered by your officers and Board of Governors, as indicated by the lack of attendance or help and assistance offered. This really became apparent when the President of the club...asked for a volunteer to be chairman of the annual banquet committee. Needless to say, not one volunteer stepped forward!

"At one time, this club had an annual Christmas Banquet, but it was decided by the membership that this was a busy time of the year and it was moved back to October and then called our Anniversary Banquet. However, attendance continually dropped off until last year there were only about 37 people who attended an outstanding dinner at the Non-Commissioned Officers Club at Dover Air Force Base. The few who worked hard to put on this affair were not in any way rewarded by the support of the membership.

"Comments could be made concerning the picnic as well. Many people worked hard in getting this annual affair organized to the degree that fun would be had by all who attended, as well as a lot of good food and fellowship. The attendance? About 45, and generally the same ones who come each year!

"It is apparent to your editor that there is a definite lack of support of your officers and board members, who apparently aren't planning the kinds of things that you as members would like to do and participate in! I think it's high time to speak up and tell these people just what you would like to see this club do and the kinds of programs that they should offer you as a dues paying member!!! Come to think of it, HAVE YOU ever volunteered to help out in any project or undertaking of the club? HAVE YOU EVER voiced your opinion or offered suggestions of things or projects that

## (Participation, cont'd)

you would like to see done? WHY NOT? Stand up at the next meeting and tell the officers things you'd like to see done and things that you as an individual would support. Speak your piece and then get involved, because I personally believe that you're missing half of the fun that your hobby offers!

"In an earlier newsletter (Vol. 2, No. 2 - Feb., 1976) I reprinted an article that first appeared in the San Diego Numismatic Society's Bulletin and later Coin World. It should probably appear in our newsletter once again.

"Killing you club in 12 easy steps:

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| (1) Stay away from meetings.   | (8) Oppose all banquets, parties or shindigs as being a waste of the members' money.                                |
| (2) If you do come, find fault.  | (9) If everything is strictly business, complain that all meetings are dull and officers are a bunch of old sticks. |
| (3) Decline office or appointment to any committee.  | (10) Never accept a place at the head table.  |
| (4) Get sore if you aren't appointed or nominated.   | (11) If you're not asked to sit at the head table, threaten to resign because you're not appreciated.               |
| (5) After you are named, attend no board or committee meetings.  | (12) DON'T RUSH TO PAY YOUR DUES! Let the Directors sweat -after all, they wrote the budget."                       |
| (6) If you do get to a committee meeting, clam up until it's over. Then sound off on how things should really be done. |   |
| (7) Do no club work if you can help it. When the old reliables pitch in, accuse them of being a clique.                |   |

"Well, what say you? The Board of Governors already knows that the President has appointed a nominating committee to select new and interested candidates for running the club in 1979! The names of the committee will be given out at the October meeting and you will certainly have an opportunity to talk with any one of them as far as being of some help to your club. I'd say it was time to throw the rascals out and get some new blood and ideas pumped into the veins of this club! WHAT SAY YOU? WILL YOU STEP FORWARD?"

(Thanks to the Editor of the Kent Coin Club's newsletter for allowing this article to be reprinted by the Ontario Numismatist)

## THE RUSSIAN GOLD MEDAL OF MERIT

(The following short news item appeared in the November issue of the Illustrated London News)

"His Imperial Majesty the Emperor of Russia has conferred upon Mr. Charles Frodsham of the Strand, London, the Grand Gold Medal of Merit (weighing 32 sovereigns), in testimony of the services which he has rendered to Russia by the supply of many accurate chronometers which facilitated and contributed so much to the success of the great Russian survey. Mr. Frodsham possesses, among other medals of merit, the Grand Gold Medal of Honour, awarded to him by the Emperor of the French for the superiority of his manufactures."

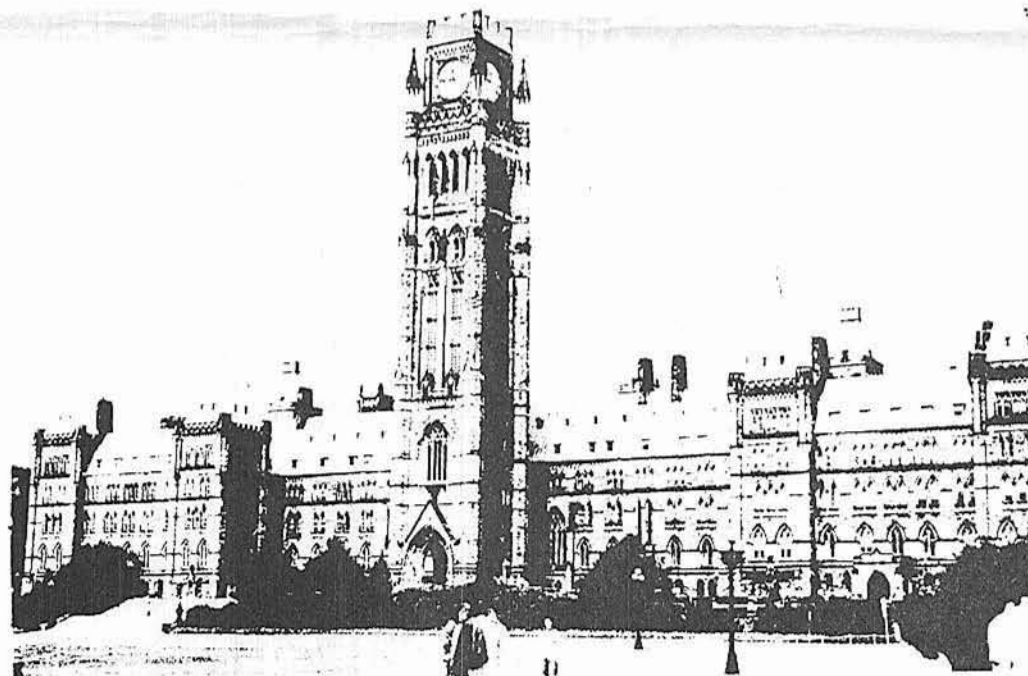


# COIN CLUB NEWS

NEWMARKET NUMISMATIC SOCIETY's editor, Gary McKnight, reports that fifteen members and guests turned out for the October meeting. Ray Gregory gave an excellent talk on the 1958 Canadian silver dollar. He also reported on the recent Sarnia coin show. Rod Smith delivered a report on the Pembroke coin show.

The ST. CATHARINES COIN CLUB held their 195th meeting on October 15 at West Park High School, with 47 members and guests in attendance, according to Secretary R. N. Voaden. Past President Gary Oblinsky introduced the speaker, another Past President, Vic Snell. Vic spoke on "The Houses Of Parliament, Ottawa, Depicted On Dominion Of Canada Notes And Coins". He recounted that in 1812 Thomas Fraser bought "The Hill" in Ottawa, along with much other land. In 1823 his son sold it all to Governor General Lord Dalhousie. The Act of Union, in 1840, brought Upper Canada and Lower Canada together in the Province of Canada. The capital originally located at Kingston was moved to Montreal, later alternating every four years between Toronto and Quebec City. In 1857 Queen Victoria decided upon Ottawa as the Capital. The original Houses of Parliament consisting of a central, east, and west block only saw one session of the Province of Canada, Parliament opening on June 6, 1866. The Library was opened May 27, 1876. On February 3, 1916 fire destroyed the centre block, although the Library was saved. The new building, with its beautiful Peace Tower housing the memorial chamber, dedicated to the men and women who

gave their lives in the service of their country, opened in early 1920. From time to time the "Houses of Parliament" have been depicted on Dominion of Canada notes and on coins. Shown at the left is the 'new' central block, with the Peace Tower.



The November meeting was opened by the club President, Hal Siemens, with 63 members and guests in attendance. A letter was received from Ian Dickson, thanking the club for the nice time he had at the recent Coin Show and Banquet. Also, Carl Szick sent a card of appreciation for the club's help of

the Kidney Foundation by selling peanuts. Coin Week Canada certificates were presented to Vic Snell, Pat Lambert, Don Ralph, Doug Andrews and Fred Barley. Guest speaker Vic Potter delivered a very interesting slide presentation of "War Medals".

The club held its annual Coin Show and Banquet on October 28 at Westminster United Church. Members of the show committee were very pleased with the response from the public. There seemed to be a good deal of business being transacted at all the bourse

## (Club News, cont'd)

tables. Dealers came from all over Ontario, as well as a dealer from Michigan. Display judges had a hard time judging, as the displays were of a high calibre. Winners of display awards were Ian Dickson, "Selection of Republic and Roman Imperial Coins"; Gordon McComb, "Odd Denominations of Early American Currency"; E.V. Snell, "Centennial \$1.00 Notes of Canada"; E.V. Snell, "The Houses of Parliament"; E.V. Snell, "The Coinage of Greenland"; F. Barley, "Canadian Chartered Bank Notes"; F. Barley, "United States Currency".

Mr. Robert Aaron, noted coin columnist, was the speaker at the banquet. He discussed with the members a most unusual type of mint and the people connected with them. His talk dealt with selected episodes from Canadian criminal cases dealing with counterfeit coins and bills. The discussion started with a clarification of the terms "numismatics", "coin dealers" and "coin collectors" and then centered upon the cases. He noted that many of the cases did not lead to conviction, even though many of the people were possibly guilty, due to a lack of a clear and precise law and lack of court experts who held similar views. One episode Mr. Aaron related was of the conviction of a man who admitted having counterfeit money. The court found him guilty, yet no evidence was produced to substantiate whether the coins were counterfeit or not. The last few minutes of Mr. Aaron's speech highlighted the status of the Hobby Protection Act in Canada.

Secretary R. N. Voaden was presented with a Life Membership in the club by Past President E. V. Snell.

HURONTA NUMISMATIC ASSOCIATION had a good turnout of members and guests at its October meeting. Cec Sharpe spoke on the good profit made by the club on its Annual Show in September. President Ken Prophet commented on a letter received from Sandford Durst about how the club can make a commission by ordering books for its members. He also asked for volunteers to take over as club Editor at the start of the year. Mario Taurasi was appointed nominations chairman. Wilf Ailles suggested streamlining the club auction. After the business portion of the meeting, Norm Howcroft showed slides of the September show and also some slides from a previous meeting.

INGERSOLL COIN CLUB editor Barbara E. Macnab reports that the club's October 16 meeting saw a number of reports given by those present. Ken Wilmot had on view the new President's Trophy for the Stratford Coin & Stamp Show. Len Coles read a letter from the Ingersoll Recreational Committee informing the club that the meeting room would be renovated in the new year and suggesting that the club give consideration to relocating. He was asked to see if the upstairs room at the Lions Hall was available. Ken Wilmot reported on the Sarnia Coin Club's show. Grant Monck delivered a report on the Empire State Numismatic Association's annual show, held in Binghamton, N. Y.

Grant Monck introduced the guest speaker for the evening, Paul Johnson, the Ontario Director of the Canadian Numismatic Association. Paul's topic for the evening was "Famous Buildings on Medals". The medals he talked about depicted cathedrals, libraries, and legislative buildings in England, France, the Netherlands, and Belgium. He explained how the high relief on each of these medals were protected by a high rim. Some of the medals shown were of St. Paul's Cathedral, York Cathedral, and the Church of St. Martin in Belgium. Each medal had been expertly photographed and was projected on the screen for all present to enjoy. Club President Thomas Masters thanked Paul for coming from Toronto to present such an interesting program.



The club's newsletter also contains much information on "Oddly Shaped Modern Coins", "Animals On Coins", "Thalers", and "Stone Money Of The Pacific".

## (Club News, cont'd)

The KENT COIN CLUB of Chatham held its 155th meeting in October at the Chatham Public Library. Twenty members and four guests were present. It was decided that the club would purchase the necessary coins to bring its display up to date. President Lou Wagenaer reported that all members should be aware of a large coin robbery in Sarnia and question anyone trying to sell coins, particularly in large quantities. The slides which were to be shown at this meeting did not arrive on time due to the mail strike. Ted Oulds volunteered to take the post of Coffee Convenor.

THISTLETOWN COIN & STAMP CLUB reports the success of its October 21 show. President Norm Belsten reports that the wooden quarters which did not arrive in time for the show are now available. The price is 25¢ each or five for \$1.00. A stamped self-addressed envelope would be appreciated when ordering. Write to: Norm Belsten, c/o Thistletown Coin & Stamp Club, P. O. Box 1143, Station "B", Weston, Ontario, M9L 2Rg.

RICHMOND HILL COIN CLUB also reports that its new wooden quarters have also arrived and are available from the club at P.O. Box 386, Richmond Hill, Ontario, L4C 4Y6, for 25¢ each or five for \$1.00 and a stamped, self-addressed envelope.

NORTH YORK COIN CLUB reports that its October meeting was chaired by Mr. George Fraser, in the absence of the president. The Richmond Hill Coin Club has invited members of the North York, Thistletown and Scarborough coin clubs to attend a joint Christmas party in the cafeteria of Richmond Hill High School on December 19th. Mr. Edwin Keetch, the President of the Oshawa & District Coin Club invited members to attend the Oshawa coin show on Saturday, November 4th. The club was fortunate in having as its guest speaker Mr. Ray Gregory, the C. N. A. Club Liaison Officer. He explained how local history was made more interesting as he told of his exhibits at Niagara-on-the-Lake, Fort York, Campbell House (at Queen St. & University Ave.), and of his latest exhibit at the museum at Midhurst, Ontario. Mrs. Louise Graham, a Past President of both the North York Coin Club and the C. N. A., gave a short history of the C. N. A. and explained how the duties of the Club Liaison greatly relieved the pressure on the General Secretary of the Association. A slide film on early Canadian tokens was also shown at the meeting. Ken Bunnett gave an excellent narration, with Dan Bowyer operating the projector.

TORONTO COIN CLUB heard a number of short talks at its October 18 meeting at the Royal York Hotel. Stan Clute spoke on ancient coins and early medals that he acquired over the summer at the C. N. A. and A. N. A. conventions, as well as other material, such as a moon-landing medal obtained at the Lyndon B. Johnson Space Centre in Houston, Texas. He also displayed a Numismatic Literary Guild medal, stating that it was a valued memento of his acceptance into the Guild. Dan Bowyer displayed a beautiful collection of choice early Canadian medals, also acquired over the summer months during a vacation to London, England where he visited Spink & Son's, Seaby's, and Stanley Gibbons Ltd. They consisted primarily of tokens listed by Breton but since proven never to have circulated in Canada. Ken Bunnett mentioned that during a trip to England he had found that these same firms had virtually no Canadian material. Jack Veffler commented on two Indonesian notes he had brought along to the meeting. One was overprinted by a province in Sumatra and was, he explained, a counterfeit. The other piece was a genuine note for comparison. Club President John Regitko spoke on his acquisition of an original 1878 Industrial Exhibition medal, and commented on his display of C. N. E. medals struck over the years in various metals. He also spoke about his mini-display of Winchester medals, explaining that every Winchester rifle has a medal embedded in its stock, and therefore the number of medals issued coincided with the quantity of rifles manufactured each year. Each year a different design is used on the medals, featuring "old west" themes such as the stagecoach, Wyatt Earp, Wells Fargo, etc.

**Keep that CLUB NEWS coming in, folks!!!**

## speaking of counterfeits...

-- Page 569 of The Gentleman's Magazine for June, 1819 records the following under the heading, "FOREIGN OCCURENCES, France":

"Forged Bank of England notes, to the amount of more than 1500 l. were lately seized in Paris."

-- The Penguin Book of Australian Ballads records the following information about "Frank the Poet", an Australian convict who composed many popular ballads about the life and outlook of "Government men" in that land under the Transportation System:

"Frank is usually held to have been one Francis McNamara, alias Frank Goddard, born in Dublin in 1758 and transported for uttering forged notes in 1819."

### A REMINDER:

Applications for membership renewal have been mailed out. The January, 1979 bulletin will be the last you will receive if dues have not been paid.

## Show Schedule

February 17, 1979 - Huronia Numismatic Association's Mini Show, Bayfield Mall, Barrie, Ont. Inquiries to: P. O. Box 243, Barrie, Ont., L4N 4T2.

March 3, 1979 - North York Coin Club's Annual Show & White Elephant Sale, North York Memorial Community Hall, 5090 Yonge Street, Willowdale, Ont.; information from, P. O. Box 294, Station A, Willowdale, Ont.

March 9, 10, 11, 1979 - Canadian Association of Numismatic Dealers' Spring convention, Sheraton-Mount Royal Hotel, Montreal, Quebec. Information: A. Bliman, Box 31145, Sta. D, Willowdale, Ont., M2R 3G5

June 1, 2, 3, 1979 - the 17th Annual ONTARIO NUMISMATIC ASSOCIATION convention at the Royal Connaught Hotel, King St. E., Hamilton, Ont. Information: Lou Henderson, 1862 Main St. E., Hamilton, Ont., L8H 1G2.

July 16 - 21, 1979 - the 26th annual Canadian Numismatic Association convention, Chateau Lacombe, Edmonton, Alta. Information: Box 4111, Edmonton, Alta.

## People In The News

PETER FINDLAY, owner of the semi-annual Torex coin and stamp show in Toronto, for having shown considerable thought and initiative in his efforts to improve the show for collector and dealer alike.

ELMER WORKMAN, of Cannington, Ontario, for travelling halfway across Ontario to judge displays at Stratford Coin Club's show in October. That's real dedication.

(People, cont'd)

KEITH SEVERS, also of Cannington, for having won Best Of Show at the Oshawa & District Coin Club's annual show on November 4th. 16-year-old Keith is starting to give us "old stand-bys" some real competition with his display.

## NUMISMATICS- EIGHTEENTH CENTURY STYLE!

(The following article appeared in an edition of the Gentleman's Magazine in the eighteenth century. In this reprinted version, certain grammatical differences have been "modernized"; i.e. the tendency to use "F"s in certain places, rather than "S"s as we do nowadays. For example, "instance" would have been written as "infntance". It might also be noted that the address, "Mr. Urban" - the founder and publisher of the magazine was Sylvanus Urban - is roughly equivalent in our terms of saying "Dear Editor".)

"Mr. Urban,

The practice of straining indifferent things into compliments, or occasions of compliment to their king, so remarkable in French writers, and evident even in Voltaire is so very flagrant in the following instance, that I send it for the gratification of your English readers.

T.B.

### ON A DUTCH MEDAL

"Upon the Prince of Orange's journey to England, and suddenly marrying the niece of Charles II, his majesty agreed to join the Dutch in order to oblige the French to a peace, and Sir Wm. Temple tells us, that Lord Lucas was sent from London to Paris, to demand an answer in two days.

"The French court seemed surprised both at the thing and manner, but made good mien of it, and said that the King of England knew very well he might be master of the peace; but some of the towns in Flanders (which were all to be restored) were hard to part with, especially Tournay, on the fortification of which such vast treasures had been expended; and Lord Lucas returned with this humble answer: that his most christian king hoped that his brother would not break with him for a town or two."

"In short the peace was concluded at Nimeguen, as it were sword in hand, (the Prince of Orange attacked the French army about the same time with good success) as much to the satisfaction of France, as of other parties. To commemorate this event, the Dutch struck a medal, of which the following account was published in a French Gazette.

"The States General of the United Provinces, thoroughly affected with the joy occasioned by the peace, which our great and invincible monarch hath just given them, to furnish a publick and everlasting monument for him, have caused to be struck a medal, which is put in the king's cabinet among the curiosities there. A sprig of the flower de lis is inclosed in the same chaplet with seven arrows, which are the symbol of the 7 United Provinces; and Quis Separabit (Who Shall Separate?) which is the import of the emblem, is as a defiance to the whole world, or rather a public testimony given by them of the inviolable fidelity with which they will be for the future attached to France, whose alliance and protection have always been advantageous to them."



(18<sup>th</sup> century, cont'd)

"The Inscription,

"Conjungunt sua tela Leo, sua lilia Gallus,

"(meaning) 'The Lion (or Holland) joins his darts, the Cock (or French man) his lilies' is of a piece with the monkish expression of the date of the year on the reverse, which has the following words incircled with a wreath,

'A DOMI-  
NO VENT-  
ENS POPV-  
LIS PAX  
LAETA RE-  
FULGET.'

"'Peace coming from the lord, shines joyfully on the people', M, DLL, LXVV, VTTT (1678)."

## ANOTHER RARE UNITED STATES COIN

Bowers & Ruddy Galleries, an American coin dealership, has announced the acquisition of another rare United States coin. In fact, if you have a spare \$225,000 U. S. currency in your desk drawer, you might like to own this coin, which is being offered for sale at that price.

The coin is one of just two known specimens of the 1873 Carson City quarter without arrows at the date. This coin, in B.U. condition was once part of the James Stack estate.

Although U. S. Mint records indicate that 4,000 specimens of the 1873 CC quarter without arrows were struck, apparently no specimens ever reached circulation. In early 1873 the authorized weight of the quarter was 6.22 grams. The 4,000 1873 CC quarters were struck in this format. Then the authorized weight was increased slightly to 6.25 grams, and arrows were added at the date of all subsequent pieces to indicate this change. Apparently the 4,000 pieces on hand went to the melting pot to be converted to silver for recoinage to pieces of the new 6.25 gram standard. The two Uncirculated pieces known were probably set aside for inspection or assay.



The rarity of the 1873-CC quarter dollar places it in the forefront of American rarities, alongside such pieces as the 1822 half eagle, of which three specimens are known, two being in the Smithsonian Institution.

If you would like to see what the 1873 quarter with arrows at the date looks like, see the article illustration on the front page of this issue.