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REMEMBERING THE PAST A SPECIAL TNA CONVENTION

by Raymond E. Whyborn

TNA Past President, Vice President, Secretary and Governor of Districts 7 and 13



This recollection of the 10th Convention in San Antonio in 1968 needs to be passed on to those not part of the membership that long ago. Also,

it requires more space than allotted in the TNA News 50th Anniversary Special Edition. Most of my fellow friends and numismatists who were responsible for that great convention are no longer with us, but the fruits of their labors are still enjoyed and remembered by those of us who remain.

The TNA was a mere eight years old when the folks in San Antonio dedicated themselves to producing one of the best conventions ever held. That 10th Convention was sponsored jointly by the Alamo and Gateway Coin Clubs of San Antonio. The San Antonio Coin Club was still active at the time, but did not participate in sponsoring the convention.

What was so special about that particular convention? First of all, any convention held in San Antonio was a treat to the attendees because the area has always been a tourist mecca that

welcomes visitors and treats them royally. With a plethora of attractions and events, convention attendees are always assured of plenty of entertainment and cultural, historical and educational fulfillment, not to mention the best Tex-Mex cuisine available anywhere. As if that were not enough, the 10th Convention coincided with HemisFair '68, which was truly a world's fair in designation, size, activity and worldwide participation, making attendance at the TNA Convention even more attractive.

Several major events were worthy of commemoration during the same period and were ultimately honored on the first medal sets ever produced for a TNA Convention. It was TNA's 10th Convention, although the organization was only eight years old. It was the 150th anniversary of the Garza Mint in San

Antonio, which is the only mint to ever strike coinage in Texas and the first to use the "lone star" device on any coinage. It was also the 250th anniversary of the founding of San Antonio.



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Greetings!

It's starting to feel like summertime in Texas these past few weeks - hot & humid.

Again, we are a bit late getting out our publication. No excuses - just taking a break from the last few months of extra activity with the 50th anniversary happenings.

Our cover story came to us from one of the "old-timers" of TNA, Ray Whyborn. His recounting of the 10th TNA show gives us a glimpse into the workings of the early TNA and connects our modern membership to the excitement of those early years.

The 50th Anniversary show coverage is in the middle pages of this issue and we hope you enjoy it. We had an excellent TNA Convention this year with quality seminars, a top-notch auction and exhibits that were the equal of national shows. We hope all who attended had a good time and got all the cake they wanted.

Of course we took lots of photos, even though we aren't able to publish them all. Thanks for your patience as we traveled the show getting those shots. As usual there were some that we didn't get a chance to take, but will try to do better next year.

None of the Kalvert Tidwell award recipients were able to make the award ceremonies, however, Frank Galindo was able to present 1st Place Winner, Garry Moore, with his award in San Antonio. The story is on page 8. Also on this page is a listing of donors to this year's Youth Coin Auction. If we missed anyone we apologize.

Hal Cherry has some remaining ANA medals to sell - at a good price. Check out page 4 for details.

Tyler Coin Club can be proud of ANA recognition for their National Coin Week activity. See page 10 and Texas Happenings for more details. Texas Happenings is a bit short this time. We didn't receive many news articles from the clubs. We hope to have more next time. However, Waco Coin Club provided us with a nice historical article.

Kathy Lawrence has another book review for our readers which is very informative - catch it on page 8.

We have an interesting article-actually a quiz-for our readers on page 7. Check it out and see how you do.

We weren't able to publish all the items that were sent in this time, however, our readers can look forward to some great articles in coming issues of the TNA News.

It's time to get this edition to the printer!

Until next time, Ron Kersey

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FROM THE PRESIDENT



In this letter I want to let everyone know how much fun we had at the 50th anniversary show. First I want to congratulate Ginger and David Pike for selling more tables than last year and doing a great job on the advertising. We had a line of people waiting to get in right off the bat. We had a very active day the first day

and it did not let up until we announced we were closing for the day. We held the board meeting Friday afternoon and finished before 6:00pm so board members and dealers would be able to attend the first day of the two-day auction that Smythe-Spinks

I have got to say that the people at Smythe-Spinks were very professional and we all enjoyed their auctions on Friday and Saturday nights. They served the people that attended the auctions a light dinner so we could focus on the auction. I heard that the auctions were very good and that the auction company was pleased with the results.

On Saturday we had a big day with the start of our first of two children's auctions. Both of the auctions were very well attended and we had numismatic items for every child that attended. We also had the boy scouts and girl scouts meet in the main room so they could work on their merit badges and experience a bourse floor.

While these events were going on we had the educational seminars running all day in the small meeting room across the main hallway. Our speakers were some of the most noted numismatists in their prospective areas of collecting in the country. For those of you that got to listen to them you were very lucky.

We had a 50th anniversary cake that was served at 3:00pm. The people lined up through half the room to get some of this great cake. I want to let you know that Karla Galindo cut all 500 pieces that we had. We also had a raffle for gold coins donated by Heritage Coin Galleries. We had 3,000 tickets and sold almost all of them. Congratulations to the five winners of the gold coins

The book auction was one of the largest we have ever had and the bidding was very spirited, this was also one of the most successful book auctions we have held. Along the side of the book auction was the exhibit area. This area was huge and had over 56 cases of exhibits, making this one of the largest exhibits we have had in many years. The judging was very professional and the exhibits rivaled those of the ANA.

For those of you that read the last TNA News that came out just before the show, I want to give a special thanks to Hal Cherry, Ron Kersey, and Betty Helms for all of their hard work on this issue, making it one of the best ones we have ever

Last I want to thank everyone that worked so hard to make this show a success, I will not be able to list everyone that helped in this column because of limited space. THANK YOU TO **EVERYONE!**

> Thank you, Mike Grant

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WELCOME NEW TNA MEMBERS...

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The following have applied for membership. If no written objections are received from the membership, they will become TNA members on July 1, 2010

R-7017 - Don Keopple, II - through the Secretary's Office

R-7018 – John Barber – through the Web Site

A-7019 – Eve Barber – through the Web Site

R-7020 - David Cieniewicz - through the Secretary's

LM-238 – L. C. Jensen – through the Secretary's Office The following members have been reinstated upon payment of their 2010 dues:

R-2995 - Lynn Knight

R-4486 - Ron Ladd

R-5969 – Bucky Densford

VIP LEADERS FOR 2009

Bob Millard, Frank Galindo and Hal Cherry

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2010 TNA Show RAFFLE WINNERS ANNOUNCED

From John Post we have received the following information. The winning tickets were drawn by one of the security guards who had NO tickets in the hopper. We drew the winning ticket for the \$5 Indian first, so all tickets could participate in it, then the \$2.50 Indian, 1/10 oz Eagle, 1/10 oz Isle of Man Crown, and 1/20 oz Australai Nugget in turn. Observing was David Reed, member of the Ft Worth Coin Club, and a host of dealers and attendees.

1909-D \$5 Indian Head gold coin, PCGS AU55

Mickey Bradley

Ft Worth, TX

1913 \$2.50 Indian Head gold coin, PCGS AU 53

Ben Channell

Ft Worth, TX

2003 \$5 US Eagle 1/10 oz gold coin

Dan Katekaru

Ft Worth, TX

1999 Isle of Man Crown 1/10 oz gold coin

Lorenzo Horalek

Ft Worth, TX

1990 Australia Nugget 1/20 oz gold coin

Paul Stinson

Azle, TX

TNA congatulates the winners and thanks all participants. TNA also sends special thanks to Heritage Auction Galleries for the very generous donation of all five coins.

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ANNUAL BOARD AND GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING REPORTS

Submitted by Hal Cherry, TNA Secretary

SPRING BOARD MEETING - MAY 14, 2010

THE SPRING TNA BOARD MEETING WAS HELD IN FORT WORTH, TEXAS ON MAY 14, 2010. Attending were President Mike Grant, First Vice President Lawrence Herrera, Second Vice President David Burke, Secretary Hall Cherry and Treasurer Jack Gilbert. Also in attendance were Governors Russell Prinzinger, Bill Welsh, Mike Egger, Jim Jeska, Ed Stephens, Frank Galindo, Gober Pitzer, Chuck Steward, Doug Hershey, Tom Bennington, Rob Robinson, Barbara Williams, and Alan Wood. Editor Ron Kersey, Assistant Medals Officer Karla Galindo and

ANA Representative Jerry Williams were also present.

Since the October, 2009 Board Meeting, Governors Lawrence Herrera and Pat Curran had resigned. President Grant's interim

appointments of Jim Jeska and Chuck Steward to these two positions were approved unanimously. It was also announced that Youth Chair Kathy Lawrence had resigned and President Grant asked that anyone interested in filling this position contact him.

Minutes of the October 24, 2009 Board Meeting were approved as published. The Treasurer's report was given and there was discussion on the current low interest rates for our time deposits. An audit of the financial records was done when the books were transferred from Ray Leggett to Jack Gilbert and all was found to be in order. The final financial report for the May 2009 Coin Show was approved and it was announced that a tentative agreement with Doug Davis to be the new Show Producer had been reached subject to a contact being signed as David and Ginger Pike had resigned from this position.

Under new business, President Grant appointed a committee to standardize and structure our award selection procedures. The Bylaws were amended to require Board Members to maintain membership in the Association in

order to continue serving on the Board and to prohibit any member running for the office of President or Secretary from running for any other TNA office.

Other discussion involved TNA's participation at the ANA Show held in Fort Worth this past March along with the TNA's 50th Anniversary Convention which was being held at the time of the Board Meeting. Reports from the Exhibit Chair, Youth Chair, Donations Chair,

Web Master, News Editor, Librarian, Medals Officer, and Coins for A's Chair were also presented and discussed. Funding was voted for the Youth Chair and Coin's for A's programs for the upcoming year.

GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING - MAY 15, 2010

THE 2010 ANNUAL MEETING OF THE ASSOCIATION WAS HELD IN FORT WORTH, TEXAS ON MAY 15, 2010. There were no items of either old business or new business on the agenda for the meeting. There were brief reports presented on both the 2010 Convention and 2011 Convention. The exhibit awards, special awards and literary awards were announced and trophies presented to the winners. In his concluding remarks, President Mike Grant expressed that he thought we had a great 50th Anniversary Convention and Show and he thanked everyone who had a part in it.

This report covers highlights of both meetings and does not reflect the entire contents of the official Minutes.



Treasurer's Report

Iack Gilbert - Treasurer

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In Memoriam

JOHN HENRY HERBERT

TNA Member, John Herbert, passed away recently. Mr. Herbert joined the TNA in 1999 as member R-6133.

He was a long time member and former club president of the Greater Houston Coin Club. In addition John had a business known as Historical Collections.



Mr. Herbert was born in Franklin, Louisiana on November 9, 1932 to the late William F. Herbert, Sr. and Elizabeth O'Niell Herbert. John retired as a senior geophyicist from Tenneco Oil Company in 1988. He then began to pursue his love of history and archeology on

a full-time basis. He enjoyed many travels around the world, among which a trip to the Holy Lands was a great highlight. All who knew him enjoyed his great sense of humor, sense of adventure, curiosity and generosity. John was an active member of First United Methodist Church, Houston. John was a U.S. Army veteran.



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THOSE TINY LITTLE MINT MARKS



by E.B. "Rob" Robinson Governor, District 13

ollecting coins by date and mint mark is a way of life for coin collectors these days. But it hasn't always been that way. If you had collected coins before the late 19th century, you likely would have had little interest in collecting coins by mint mark. Collectors in those days, by and large, were more concerned with date sets and paid little or no attention to those little letters on the reverse side of coins. All of that changed in 1893 when Mr. Augustus G. Heaton published a small pamphlet entitled A Treatise in the United States Branch Mints. In his pamphlet, Mr. Heaton outlined his interest in collecting coins from each mint. He stated that "the rarity and consequent value of pieces of the same date from different mints are scarcely ever equal." Thanks to Mr. Heaton, things have never been the same since. So now you know who to blame for it being necessary to have that 1909-S VDB, or that 1914-D before you can declare that your Lincoln Cent set is complete!

Want to test or improve your knowledge of the U.S. mints? Below is a list of mints and mint marks that have been used on U.S. coinage to denote the minting facility. Match the appropriate mint mark to the descriptions below. We'll start with an easy one:

Initially, and for many years, no mint mark appeared on coins produced at this mint. This made sense in the beginning since this was our nation's only mint for nearly the first half century of coin production. Even with the opening of the first branch mint in 1838, it was still deemed unnecessary to use a mint mark on coinage from this facility. This reasoning was probably due to the fact that all dies were prepared at this mint before being shipped to the branch mints (This practice was continued until May 13, 1996). Dies for use at branch mints were stamped with the appropriate mint mark before being shipped. A mint mark for this facility was first used on the reverse of the Jefferson five cent piece during the period 1942 - 1945 when silver replaced nickel during the war. This mint mark was not used again until 1979 when it was placed on the obverse of the Anthony Dollar. Since 1980, it have been used on the obverse of all denominations except the cent.

2____One of the first branch mints was authorized by Congress in 1835 and began operation in 1838 when dime production began. The Confederate States of America took control of the mint in March 1862. It was recaptured by the Union later that year but was not reopened until 1876 as an Assay Office. Coinage was resumed at the facility in 1879 and continued through 1909. Of interest, only gold and silver coins were ever struck at this mint. Too bad. We could have had a hole in our album for a 1909-O VDB Lincoln.

3_____This mint was also authorized by Congress in 1835, and struck coins intermittently from 1838 to 1861 until it was taken over by Confederate forces who did a little minting of their own there. Authorization for this mint occurred as a result of gold mining in the Carolinas. Only gold coins were produced here, limited to the \$1, \$2.50, and \$5 denominations. Mintages were small with no date ever reaching a mintage of 100,000.

4____This mint was authorized by Congress in 1895. Production did not commence until 1906 but has continued to this day. Originally, only gold and silver coins were to be minted, but in 1911, production of cents began at the facility, and then in 1912, five cent pieces. Since then, all regular issue denominations have been produced there.

5_____This mint was established primarily due to the existence of the fabulous Comstock Lode. First put into operation in 1870, it was closed as a minting facility in early 1885. Production resumed there in 1889 until 1893 when the last minting activities occurred. Only gold and silver coins were struck. Coins from this mint have always been extremely popular with collectors. It is hard to believe that this mint produced coins for such a short period of time -- only 21 years total.

6_____This minting facility began serving as a bullion depository in 1938. Minting authorization occurred in 1973 with the law providing for the Bicentennial coinage. Originally, no mint mark was used, but in 1983, with the first striking of the 1984 Olympic \$10 gold eagles, the mint mark appeared. Mint status was granted in 1988.

7_____The mint mark for this minting facility first appeared on coins struck there in 1854. Production continued for over 100 years. Minting was stopped in 1955 but was resumed in 1965 to help alleviate the coin shortage that saw no mint marks used on coins from 1965 through 1967. The mint mark reappeared in 1968, and since 1968, proof sets have been minted there.

8____Minting at this facility was established in 1838, and, like two of the other mints, was due to mining activity in the area. Only gold coins were produced there. In 1861, this mint was also seized by the Confederacy. Minting operations did not resume after the war. Although this mint used the same mint mark as one of the others, it did not matter since the two mints did not operate at the same time.

(Answers on bottom of page 8)

DISTRICT 7 GOVERNOR, FRANK GALINDO, CARRIES KALVERT K. TIDWELL AWARD TO SAN ANTONIO.



Garry Moore and his wife met me Friday afternoon at the Live Oak Civic Center, the location of our San Antonio Coin Show, to receive his Tidwell award. He lives nearby and that was a convenient location for him.

Garry is a member of TNA and ANA, but not a member of a local coin club. We invited him to our next meeting and are hopeful that he will join the Gateway Coin Club.

Thank You!

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BOOK REVIEW

MEXICAN PAPER MONEY



by Kathy Lawrence

exican paper money enthusiasts and numismatic bibliophiles are in store for a treat with the recent release of the 2010 Edition of Mexican Paper Money edited by Cory Frampton, Duane Douglas, Alberto Hidalgo and Elmer Powell. The book provides a significant update/revision of the 1982 reference The Complete Encyclopedia of Mexican Paper Money that was edited by Duane Douglas, Alberto Hidalgo and Claudio Verrey.



Over 2,600 front images are included in this well indexed 424 page book, with the vast majority of the images provided in color. Changes to the organization of the material were made in order to make the reference more user-friendly. A new numbering system, using M for Mexico, has been established. However, a cross-index with the

original CEMPM numbering system is included in the back of the book.

Mexican banking history is provided along with images and detailed biographies of the personages that appear on the notes.

The book is divided into six major sections- Imperial and Early Republic, El Bancos, Pre Revolution, Revolution, Post Revolution, and Banco de Mexico. Information concerning the modern Banco de Mexico issues is not included, but is available in the previously published The Paper Money of the Bank of Mexico by Duane Douglas.

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ANSWERS TO MINT MARK QUIZ

1 (P); 2 (O); 3 (C); 4 (D-Denver); 5 (CC); 6 (W); 7 (S); 8 (D-Dahlonega)

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WINNERS ANNOUNCED FOR 2010 ANA NATIONAL COIN WEEK ACTIVITIES

ongratulations to ANA member Robert Thompson, the grand prize winner of the 2010 National Coin Week "Road Trip" treasure hunt. The California resident receives a \$100 1976 Montreal Olympic Games commemorative gold piece.

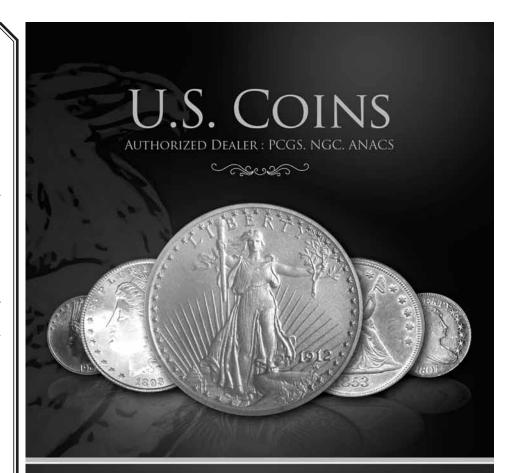
The Tyler (Texas) Coin Club won first prize in the ANA's "Club Challenge" activity, and receives a wide selection of coins from 1872, the year Yellowstone was named the United States' first national park. (See futher details in the "Texas Happenings" section of the TNA News.)

The ANA organized the "Road Trip" virtual treasure hunt, taking collectors on a cross-country adventure. Clues were provided for each of the 10 numismatic items needed to complete the hunt. More than 200 treasure hunters took part, and 113 qualified for a grand prize drawing. Other prizes, such as 2010 proof sets and ANA memberships, were also awarded.

A "Club Challenge" testing the knowledge of ANA clubs was also presented. The 15-question challenge included difficult questions that required extensive research. The Cincinnati Numismatic Association won the second-place prize, a 1999 Yellowstone National Park silver dollar. Various other prizes were also awarded.

The 87th annual National Coin Week took place April 18-24. The theme this year was "Beautiful Places: Landmarks and Mintmarks," and clubs & collectors across the country presented educational programs, exhibits and special meetings to celebrate the beautiful and historic places that have inspired designs on coins and paper money. The ANA thanks the 60 clubs who registered to join the celebration this year.

Promotional resources, including a brochure and proclamation, are available each year for clubs at the ANA web site: www.money.org. The ANA has celebrated National Coin Week since 1924. The dates for 2011 National Coin Week are April 17-23 – mark your calendar!





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REMEMBERING THE PAST THE 1968 10TH TNA

BUREAU OF ENGRAVING AND PRINTIN

by Ray Whyborn

he TNA Board of Directors rejected an early request by the Convention Committee to use the TNA logo as a common reverse for the proposed three-medal set to honor the anniversaries noted above. The Convention Committee, while disappointed by the Board's decision, decided to proceed with production of commemorative medals on their own because they felt it would be financially rewarding and would serve to commemorate events that would be remembered for years to come. As a result, the financially successful 1968 Convention medals were minted in pure gold, .999 silver, gold bronze, rose bronze and cupro-nickel, but do not contain the popular TNA logo.

If memory serve me, private striking by either individuals or by numismatic organizations of gold items, regardless of the event or occasion, was strictly prohibited from 1933 until 1968, when Lt. Col. Frank O'Sullivan (USA Ret) obtained special permission from the Treasury Department to have five sets (ten total pieces) minted in .999 gold as special presentation pieces for specified recipients, including the Witte Memorial Museum, the Alamo Museum and the Daughters of the Republic of Texas.

After the Convention, the TNA Board of Directors realized that an annual TNA medal or set of medals had merit and could provide additional revenue with which to operate the organization.

An annual medal would also serve to recognize or commemorate historic events and places tied to the location or area of our annual convention. As a result, TNA medals have been authorized and are issued annually with the TNA logo as a common reverse. TNA has issued two medal sets containing one bronze and one silver medal to subscribers every year since 1969. Thus, another TNA tradition was begun as a direct result of the 10th Convention in San Antonio.

History will record that our 2nd Vice President, Stanford M. "Mac" Kennady was the original Convention Chairman. When business requirements caused Kennady to relocate to Austin during the early planning state, Frank O'Sullivan accepted the responsibility for producing the convention. O'Sullivan surrounded himself with an extremely competent and dedicated staff of assistants. Bill Rappanotti was the Gateway Coin Club representative and Ray Whyborn represented the Alamo Coin Club.

O'Sullivan appointed Alvin C. "Al" Nauman and Raymond E. "Ray" Whyborn as assistants and special project managers. Al Nauman handled all of the publicity and worked closely with the print media, radio and local television stations. Ray Whyborn was the Exhibit Chairman and also arranged for the non-competitive exhibits and special events, including tours of HemisFair. The Bourse Chairman was Larry Murrell, who sold out all of the tables long before the Convention opened. Bexar County Reserve Deputy Sheriff Leonard Black handled security (except for the BEP's special needs) and Lt. Col. Freeman Craig, Sr. (USAF Ret) handled all the finances as the Treasurer. Ilse Griffith was the Convention Secretary and Jan Gerhart assisted Ray Whyborn with the competitive exhibits. Bill

Rappanotti handled the auction, which was award to Roy Villigran and Carlos Elizondo, Jr. The auction catalog was quite large, as coin collecting was expanding by leaps and bounds during the 1960's. The auction was well attended and quite profitable.

The National Commemorative Society of Philadelphia exhibited their platinum proof coin-medals depicting the Alamo, Churchill, Pearl Harbor, Pony Express, Lewis and Clark and other popular themes and subjects. The exhibit consisted of 47 pieces that had never been previously exhibited. Another popular non-competitive exhibit was Robert "Bob" Medlar's exceptional exhibit of early Republic of Texas notes. Most of the material in that exhibit was from his private collection and many were the plate notes from his authoritative and definitive book title, "Texas Obsolete Notes and Scrip". This exhibit had been on loan to the prestigious Smithsonian Institution since 1965. The legendary William A. "Mr. Phil" Philpott, Jr., of Dallas exhibited a tremendous amount of valuable, historic and numismatically significant paper money, including a large number of uncut sheets which were quite scarce and uncommon at the time. Mr. Phil had so much material to display that he virtually bought

out a local lumber yard in San Antonio and then hired a professional carpenter to construct numerous racks upon which to display his non-competitive exhibit in the Gunter Hotel Ballroom. The completive

exhibits from fellow TNA members literally overflowed the huge ballroom reserved for that purpose.

The most interesting and numismatically significant event of the Convention occurred during negotiations with the Bureau of Engraving and Printing (BEP) - the decision to assemble and display their "Billion Dollar Treasury Exhibit". Ray Whyborn had been assured by then Director of the BEP, James A Conlon, that the Bureau would support the TNA Convention with that exhibit and anything else within reason that would set the 10th Convention apart from other conventions. The story of the Allied Military Currency and Military Payment Certificate exhibits was related in the TNA News 50th Anniversary Special Edition. After the AMC and MPC exhibit details were completed and the mechanics of the exhibit were finalized, Whyborn asked the Director if there wasn't some way that the Bureau could graphically demonstrate exactly how our paper money is printed. Until 1968 one had to go to Washington, D.C., and take a tour of the BEP plant to see paper money printed. It had been printed only in our nation's capital since 1862. Whyborn was granted a rare, privileged tour of the Bureau's printing facilities in the mid-60's and suggested to the Director that the general public, and numismatists in particular, had a keen interest in the appear money manufacturing process that could not be satisfied by the conventional methods of reading pamphlets, books or viewing photographs. Aside from that, few could conveniently travel to Washington to see the process. After a brief discussion, the Director agreed and suggested that he try to bring a flat bed spider press to San Antonio to print some fiscal documents and souvenir cards with engraved plates.

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CONVENTION IN SAN ANTONIO

The offer was contingent upon Whyborn being able to work out the logistics that would be required for the first trip ever out of Washington of a heavy press, classified inks and special security paper. Secure transportation, secret storage and special security had to be arranged; the hotel elevators and floor structure inspected to ensure the weight of the press could be safely handled. Doorways had to be measured to ensure everything could pass through and be moved smoothly and safely. All of this had to be accomplished before a formal commitment would be made by the Bureau to actually participate.

The task was not as easy as it sounds, as very few people were to be informed of the plan for security reasons. The Director was justifiably concerned because, if anything went wrong, an accident occurred or a security problem arose, any future requests for Bureau involvement in numismatic events would be absolutely out of the question. Although the Director didn't specifically mention it, he could also lose his position at the Bureau and he would have to answer to the Treasurer of the United States and a Congressional committee.

Being a career employee at Kelly AFB as a jet engine overhaul production manager and logistician, Whyborn was able to coordinate secure military airlift of the heavy press and sensitive printing materials and supplies from Washington to San Antonio. On-base security was no problem, but the actual off-base movement of the press to the Gunter Hotel in downtown San Antonio required the involvement of both local and federal law enforcement personnel. The press was accompanied to the hotel by two BEP employees and was transported after work when traffic was light in the downtown area and potential spectators and on-lookers were at a minimum. The entire operation was kept quiet so that there would be no curiosity seekers. In fact, few of the Convention Committee members even knew about the project until the printing press was actually in place, uncrated and being prepared for its initial test run.

Having that press, the Director and two skilled employees as special guests was the highlight of the 1968 TNA Convention and no small task to achieve. It was the first time the BEP had ever printed any type of fiscal or security document outside of Washington, D.D. It began a trend that has lasted for 42 years and has been enjoyed by millions of spectators. The Bureau still attends some major numismatic and philatelic conventions and performs printing demonstrations on the very same spider press; but, they do limit their participation to only about eight events per year. The next time you see that press and its demonstration, please remember that it all started right here in Texas, specifically in San Antonio, thanks to a group of hard-working

dedicated TNA members (most of whom are now deceased) who wanted something very special and different to honor the 10th TNA Convention as well as educational, interesting and unique for both the public and numismatists to enjoy and remember.





A LOT OF SMILING FACES COULD BE SEEN AT OUR SHOW THIS YEAR AS THE TNA CELEBRATED ITS 50TH BIRTHDAY!

Show Co-Chairperson, Ginger Pike



TNA Members and area clubs help at the registration area.



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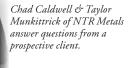
A lot to choose from at the Silent Book Auction



John & Brenda Sayler of Cigar Box Coins at their first coin show.



Paul Boyette and kids enjoy the show.





TNA Treasuer Jack Gilbert and Governor David Burke

Fort Worth Club members, Debbie Williams and Ed Lasko



Old friends, Ralph Ross & Barbara Williams from San Antonio



Victor Miller & Gary Hill ready to price coins accordingly



JoAnn Martin of In God We Trust Coins

Governor Rob Robinson with Ed Hipps



TNA News Editor, Ron Kersey and mentor, Russell Prinzinger, District One Governor



Jack Gilbert, with Ellen & Larry Dibler



Above: Pages, Alexandra Kessler and John Post. Right: Pages, Robin Bathman, Garret Echlos with Collin & Aedan Parks standing.



52ND TNA CONVENTION AND COIN SHO

TURTLES ON MODERN WORLD MONEY



Show attendees discover excellent displays presented by this year's exhibit participants.

U.S. COUNTERFEIT COIN DETECTORS

Exhibit Chair, Debbie Williams, waits for results from Exhibit Judges, Olyve Åbbott, Jerry Williams & Kathy Lawrence





Presenting Seminars were: J.H. Cline, Dick Osburn, Ricardo Tallavas and Jim Fitzgerald

EXHIBIT AWARDS

BEST-IN-SHOW: JOHN GROST OF EL PASO "A Type Set of Philippine Money Printed by the U.S. Bureau of Engraving and Printing" THE PEOPLE'S CHOICE AWARD: CHUCK STEWARD OF EL PASO "Lincoln's Everywhere You Look" U.S. Coins

FIRST PLACE: JOHN BARBER, "Seated Liberty Dollars: First to Last" U. S. Paper Money

> FIRST PLACE: CHUCK STEWARD, "Series 1935 One Dollar Silver Certificates" SECOND PLACE: FRANK CLARK, "Dallas Texas National Bank Notes" WORLD COINS 15 A.D. & LATER

FIRST PLACE: EVE BARBER, "Un Peso 1910-1914" MEDALS/TOKENS

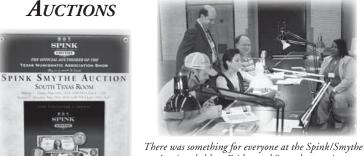
FIRST PLACE: CHUCK STEWARD, "Lincoln's Everywhere You Look" TEXAS OR LOCAL THEME

FIRST PLACE: JOHN GROST, "El Paso, Texas - Money, Medals, & Miscellaneous

GENERAL OR SPECIALIZED FIRST PLACE: JOHN GROST, "A Type Set of Philippine Money

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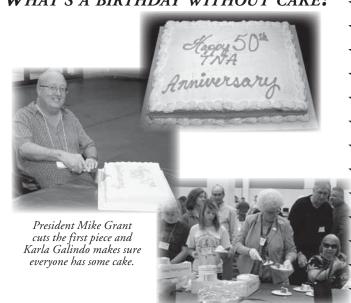
"U.S. Counterfeit Coin Detectors"
THIRD PLACE: JOHN GROST, "Turtles on Modern World Money"



Auctions held on Friday and Saturday evenings.



What's a birthday without cake!



2010 Annual Meeting and Awards Ceremony

TNA recognizes members who have served the organization using their talents as volunteers, exhibitors and writers to promote numismatics in Texas.

Special Awards

TNA President, Mike Grant, has the honor of presenting awards to well-deserving recipients.



2009 Lewis Reagan Award Kathy Lawrence



2010 Lewis Reagan Award John Post



Mac Kennady Award Debbie Williams



TNA Hall of Fame Award Tom Bennington



Past President Award Jerry Williams



Honorary Life Member David Burke



VIP Award - Bob Millard

Not Pictured:

Past President Award Joe Olson Special Presidential Award Carlton Simmons

The following members were recognized as Honorary Life Members Joe Olson, David Burke and Jerry Williams

EXHIBIT AWARDS

Debbie Williams, a very pleased exhibit chair, presents awards.



U.S. Coins - First Place John Barber



World Coins 15 A.D. & Later First Place: Eve Barber



U. S. Paper Money - First Place Medals/Tokens - First Place People's Choice Award Chuck Steward - El Paso



U. S. Paper Money Second Place: Frank Člark presented by Mike Grant

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LITERARY AWARDS

TNA News Editor, Ron Kersey, announces literary awards.



Ron Kersey displays winning Kalvert K. Tidwell Award article by Garry Moore



Dallas Coin Club Editor, Kathy Lawrence, receives Best Club Newsletter Award

SEE PAGE 8 FOR TIDWELL AWARD PRESENTATION

TNA LITERARY AWARDS

Kalvert K. Tidwell Literary Award - First Place Gary Moore for King Kalakaua Silver Coins of 1883 Kalvert K. Tidwell Literary Award - First Runner Up Mark Benvenuto for Tiny Forgotten Silver at a Good Price Kalvert K. Tidwell Literary Award - Second Runner Up Bill Sigl for Collecting High Grade Mexico City Republic One Half Reals Best Club Newsletter Award - Dallas Coin Club - Kathy Lawrence, Editor

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YOUTH PROGRAMS

SCOUT WORKSHOPS FOR COIN COLLECTING PROVIDE EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES AND MERIT BADGE ACQUISITION.



Kathy Lawrence looks on as Girl Scouts earn their merit badges in coin collecting.



Local Boy Scouts pay close attention to Scoutmaster as he gives instruction on numismatics.

IT'S AUCTION TIME AGAIN!

A GREAT TURNOUT & PLENTY OF AUCTION ITEMS MADE FOR A SUCCESSFUL YOUTH COIN AUCTION EXPERIENCE THIS YEAR.



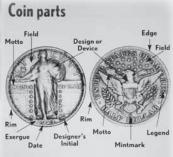
Auction registration



Auction lots on display



Numismatic education was also a part of the auction



Obverse, or "heads" side of a 1921-D Standing Liberty quarter. Liberty shields herself with one hand and carries an olive branch in the other

Reverse, or "tails" side, of a 1896-O Barber or Liberty Head half dollar. The "O" mintmark indicates it was made at the New Orleans Mint



Winning bidder pays for auction item



Lots of bidding activity



A happy winner



Jaela Kell with Dad, Kevin, & sister, Tianna. show Russell Prinzinger their Ist Prize - A Dansco Lincoln cent album with 60 coins to place.



Lucky door prize winner and Auction Chairman, Frank Schick



I want that coin!



Auctioneer, Charlie Mead, works the crowd

Texas Happenings continues to change...

In addition to club meeting reports we receive several club newsletters. We are going to include e appenti portions of these newsletters that we hope will be of interest to our readers.

We encourage our member clubs to send us stories to share with the other TNA members. Needless to say we need more photos of your meetings and events so we can include them in your section. Let's break out those digital cameras, set them for high resolution and start clicking!

Meeting reports from the clubs include special events and program presentations will be included. Meeting minutes, treasury reports and "Show & Tell" lists will no longer be included. This will allow us room for your club stories and photos.

We will also place information about upcoming club coin shows in the calendar section. Please send your stories and reports by the 15th of January, March, May, July, September or November to: tnanews@sbcglobal.net

DISTRICT ONE

Fort Worth Coin Club

April Meeting - Forty-eight members and two guests were in attendance for the April meeting of the Fort Wroth Coin Club.

Educational Program: Richard Wallace gave a very informative presentation on Jefferson nickels. His presentation highlighted the challenges that a collector faces in trying to complete the series.

Northeast Tarrant Coin Club

April Meeting - April Quiz Night - Russell Prinzinger conducted the annual quiz consisting of 10 numismatic questions. 2 tables answered 4 questions correct. Answering the tie-breaker was table of Steve Lehr, Milton Hartshorn, Roy Orr, Sam Fairchild, Ron Kersey and Rita Shulick. Awards for each participant at tables were: 1st -2009 Presidential \$1 Proof sets; 2nd – \$5 Owens Bucks, 3rd – both 2010 Native American \$1 coin designs.

One of the questions centered around the Manila mint in the Philippines. This mint was established in 1920 and ceased operation in 1941 when the Japanese invaded the Philippines. The mint was completely destroyed during WWII and never reopened. All coins minted from this mint had an "M" mint mark on it. While no regular issue US coins were minted in Manila, the Philippine coinage was legal tender to spend in the USA at a fixed rate of two pesos to one US dollar.

Another question asked to give the year the New Orleans mint issued a half dollar without a mint mark. An example of the coin is pictured below:

Notice how PCGS denotes the coin. The other grading services describe it as simply "Reverse of 1838."

Just to confuse things, New Orleans also issued an 1840 half dollar with a mint mark.



Club Website: Check out the Club's website at www.netcoinclub. org. We are trying to keep the site current where you can stay abreast of all that is happening at NETCC..

DISTRICT FIVE

Collin County Coin Club

April Meeting - The regular meeting of the Collin County Coin Club for April 2010 was brought to order at 7:00 PM with President, Kim G. presiding. There were fifteen (15) members and one guest, John, present. John collects world coins.

There was no educational program.

Dallas Coin Club

March Meeting - President David Swann opened the meeting with 3 visitors present: Bob Millard-visiting from the Fort Worth Coin Club, NE Tarrant Coin Club and the Mid Cities Coin Club; Kris Olsen-visiting from the Fort Worth Coin Club; David Wernervisiting from the NE Tarrant Coin Club. John Post caught us up on the ANA "Money Show." He stated that there will be 14 half hour to 45 minute presentations during the 3 days of the show, along with a great number of exhibits. The 400 tables at the show are completely sold out. Very exciting!

As there was no speaker this meeting, we had a "show and tell" presentation.

DISTRICT SIX

Bellaire Coin Club

April Meetings - The April 5th meetting was attended by 24 members and one guest. A Show & Tell was presented by various members. The April 19th meeting was attended by 22 members and one guest. It was sujggested that some Show & Tells be expanded to programs.

May Meetings - May 3 - There were 25 members and guest at the meeting. The business meeting went quickly. This provided more for Alvin Stern 's program about Numismatic Treasures from China and Japan.

May 17 - There were 25 members and guest at the meeting. A Show & Tell presentation was given.

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Greater Houston Coin Club

April Meeting - Meeting was called to order by President Edwin Johnston with 39 members and 5 guests attending.

After a Show & Tell presentation, the annual presentation program concerning GHCC financial activities was given.

Installation of officers – since there was no installation banquet, Edwin installed leaders at this time in our agenda.

ANA News - Barney shared various items for our consideration.

DISTRICT SEVEN

Alamo Coin Club

April Meetings - April 8 - The meeting was called to order by ACC President Bill Sigl. There were 2 visitors present at the meeting. The attending visitors were Scot McG., and John J. It was also made known that they both became new members of the Alamo Coin Club.

After the brief announcement the Roundtable session was started. The 39th Texas Folklife Festival

We will participate once again with the Institute of Texan Culture

in presenting a numismatic exhibit. Our exhibit will offer a look at the history of Texas monies, from the Spanish Colonial era to the Post Civil War (the Reconstruction period). We will also introduce a short exhibit on Mexico's War for Independence coinage and the Mexican Revolution currency printed in San



Antonio. Mexico is celebrating its Bicentennial and Centennial this year.

We will also be giving out prizes as well, plus promoting both the hobby and the coin shows.

April 22 - The meeting was called to order by ACC Vice President II Fernando Razo. In attendance we had 2 of our junior members. It's not easy to see them during a school night, but the following day, Friday, schools in the area will be closed because it's San Jacinto Day and the Battle of Flowers Parade. This is one of the biggest Fiesta events in San Antonio.

Our other visitor in attendance was Sylvia S, a friend and guest of our ACC Secretary, Cecilia G.

Roundtable presentations came from several members.

Gateway Coin Club

April Meetings - Apr. 1 - The meeting opened with 26 members and I visitor present. Our visitor, Nadeline Villarreal, was warmly welcomed by the membership. The attendance prize, a beautiful 2010 U.S. Silver Eagle, was given to Sue Gonzalez. Karla Galindo reported that that all TNA raffle tickets had been sold.

The roundtable session was led by Fernando Razo.

The meeting concluded with an entertaining auction that offered excellent numismatic items.

Apr. 15 - The meeting was attended by 27 members and 1 visitor. The attendance prize, a dazzling 2010 U.S. Silver Eagle, was given to very happy Fernando Razo, who was delighted to receive it.

The roundtable was opened by Fernando Razo.

The meeting ended with a fun-filled mini-auction.

DISTRICT ELEVEN _____

Golden Spread Coin Club

May Meeting - May 3rd - Doug Hershey called the meeting to order. There were 15 members and

1 visitor present. Norm gave a show report about our up coming show on August 14 & 15, 2010. There was some discussion about how to advertise our show. There was also discussion about the West Texas A & M scholarship.

Texas Happenings

Phil gave a very nice program on the Kennedy halves. Bill went over the coin trivia for the month. We looked at coins brought by members for show & tell. There was a coin auction after the meeting.

DISTRICT TWELVE

Tyler Coin Club Wins First Prize in ANA "Club Challenge"

A news release obtained from the ANA's website:

Winners Announced for 2010 ANA National Coin Week Activities

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A "Club Challenge" testing the knowledge of ANA clubs was also presented. The 15- question challenge included difficult questions that required extensive research.

At Tyler Coin Club's March meeting, club president Dwight Sowle asked members if they would like to participate in the ANA NCW challenge. Club members agreed. The 15 challenge questions were distributed among members for research and results submitted to ANA at the end of April.



Dwight Sowle, announces the news at the Tyler CC May club meeting.

DISTRICT THIRTEEN

Greenbelt Coin Club

May Meeting - The meeting was called to order by President Ollie Garrett. There were 15 members in attendance.

It was announced that there will be a dinner to celebrate the club's 50th anniversary.

For a program, Bryan Sweitzer passed around his 1969-S Double

Die Obverse Lincoln cent which he had found -- a very rare coin, indeed.

Rob read an article written by Ray Whyborn about the 10th TNA Convention in 1968 held in San Antonio. Due to the large number of military retirees living in the San Antonio area, Ray had requested the Director of the Bureau of Engraving and Printing to put together an exhibit of Allied Military Currency (AMC) and Military Payment Certificates (MPC). The Director agreed to do so and BEP personnel began setting up the exhibit. After this had been done, a renowned collector of this field of currency, the late Freeman Craig, noticed that the exhibit was incomplete and inaccurate. As it turned out, the BEP agreed with Mr Craig and admitted that they had failed to retain examples of some denominations and series. Mr Craig then came to the rescue and provided the missing currency to complete the BEP's exhibit which was shown to the public for the first time.

Wichita Falls Coin Club

April Meeting - The meeting was called to order with 18 Members present. There were no visitors.

Two members shared their experiences while traveling on vacation. Tony recently returned from a trip to the Caribbean. He said that he went to a coin museum that was closed, and found one open on a different island. Jeff Hogue said that he thought about the coin show while he toured Europe. While there, he went to the Eiffel Tower in Paris, France.

DISTRICT FIFTEEN

Beaumont Coin Club

April Meeting - The meeting took place April 19 at Gander Mountain. Tim opened the meeting with the Pledge Allegiance.

Information regarding our Coin show can be found online on SETX.com, under clubs and events; Beaumont Convention Center; and KFDM.com

Kenneth gave a presentation regarding his coin collection and it's rich history. Meredith gave a talk regarding the quarter from her home state of Rhode Island.

Judy passed out new 2010 Shield Cents to members.

Silsbee Coin Club

April Meeting - Dale called the meeting to order. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Program: Paula Simmons presented a program on the "Westward Journey" nickels and Barbara Williams presented a program on the history of the nickel. A summary follows:

Westward Journey

Before Lewis and Clark left on their exploration, President Jefferson had medals made, which he instructed the explorers to give as gifts to the Native American chiefs they met as a sign of peace. The design of the new Peace Medal Nickel incorporates the original medal that was designed and engraved by John Reich. It shows the hand of a Native American and the hand of a European-American clasped in a friendly handshake. Above a handshake is a pipe crossed with a tomahawk. The words "Louisiana Purchase" mark the event and the date "1803" marks the year of the Purchase. This was the first nickel of the "Westward Journey" series. It was released in 2004.

The second nickel of the series, also released Texas appenings in 2004, had a reverse of an angled, side-view of a keelboat under full sail. This keelboat is similar to one used by the Lewis and Clark expedition during their journey up the river highway to the west.

The third nickel of the series issued in 2005 bears a side-view of an American bison, grazing, a common scene on the plains during this period.

The Ocean in View nickel was the fourth design in the series which has symbolically followed the Lewis and Clark expedition. The Ocean in View reverse design is based on a photograph by Andrew E. Cier of Astoria, Oregon, a professional photographer, who took the picture of a rocky, western coast line. He said the image captured what Captain William Clark might have seen upon reaching the western waters.

Since 2006, the image on the front of the nickel is the Thomas Jefferson likeness, based on a Rembrandt Peale portrait completed in 1800. The portrait showed Jefferson as Vice President at 57 years of age. The reverse features the classic rendition of Monticello originally executed by artist Felix Schlag. However, the new reverse design is crisper than ever before. United States Mint engraver John Mercanti restored the original image with greater detail and relief in the dome, the balconies, and the door and windows.

History of the nickel

The first five cent coin was not called a nickel. As all coins of its time (excluding half pennies and pennies), it had to be made of either gold or silver so it was indeed a silver coin. Its metal weight was from 89-90% silver and had to approximate the value of the coin. It was originally called a "half disme." and specimens struck in 1792 had half disme on the reverse. The first half dimes struck by the government from 1794 through 1805 (three different designs) did not even state the denomination. They were smaller than a dime (16.5 mm vs. 19 mm) so it was obvious that the coin was worth less. The next type, the "capped bust type 1829-1837" had a "5 C" on the reverse. This coin was replaced by the "Liberty Seated Type 1837-1873" which had four (4) varieties minted with all of them labeled "half dime" on the reverse. Five cent "Shield Type" nickels were minted at the same time as the Liberty Seated types from 1866 through 1883. The composition of the nickel was 75 % copper and 25 % nickel. This composition was used up until the wartime nickels of 1942 through 1945 were minted. In 1946, it retuned to the original metal composition. After the Shield type nickels came the "Liberty Head type 1883-1913" then the "Indian Head or Buffalo Type 1913-1938". This was followed by "Jefferson Type 1938 to date" with Thomas Jefferson on the front and the home he designed and built, Monticello, on the reverse.

DISTRICT SEVENTEEN _

Waco Coin Club

March Meeting - Tom Campbell called the meeting to order. There were about 13 members in attendance.

The club does has a website: wacocoinclub.com.

Information was announced about the upcoming coin show.

Paul Garner announced that the new red book is out.

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From the March Issue of the Waco Coin Club Newsletter...

HISTORICAL FACTS

Coinage Chaos and Other Crises Under the Articles of Confederation

he Articles of Confederation maintained that Congress had the power to regulate the alloy and value of coins struck by their own authority, or by that of the respective states.

Thus, each individual state had the right to its own coinage, but only Connecticut, New Jersey, Massachusetts, Vermont (not to become a state until 1791), and New Hampshire, exercised that right. And so, during the 1780's, there was a confusing variety of these state issues circulating sparsely throughout the country, minted mostly in copper.





Connecticut coppers, like the 1787 specimen shown above, were produced from 1785 to 1788. The state government contracted private minters to strike the coins. The obverse legend reads ACTORI: CONNEC [by the authority of the state of Connecticut]. The reverse legend INDE: ET. LIB: means Independence and Liberty. Image courtesy of EarlyAmerican.com.

These post-Revolution, pre-Constitution coins represent a truly unique era of American history, and are admired by all true numismatists today. Once again, the standard reference we recommend to best delve into this subject is Walter Breen's Complete Encyclopedia of U.S. and Colonial Coins. Monstrously comprehensive and richly illustrated, Breen presents great information on coinage during the Articles of Confederation years, complete with "behind the scenes" tales and estimates on relative scarcity of many of the coins.

By the mid 1780's, a few prominent thinkers began to conceive of the advantages of forming a stronger central government and national identity, including the establishment of a national mint and a standardized coinage system. The money situation at the time was woefully inadequate and bewildering. Imagine for a minute that you're a Boston shopkeeper in the year 1785. A customer approaches the counter to buy some coffee. If she was lucky enough to have even a few coins, they could be of French or Spanish origin, or perhaps English, Dutch, or German. She might also have in her pocketbook coppers coined in Vermont, Connecticut, or New Jersey, or state paper currency, for that

matter. She easily might have some Continental Currency, but as a shopkeeper, you would be very hesitant to accept it (unless you needed some wallpaper, and didn't care about interior decorating). Unfortunately, the Articles did nothing to bring order to such chaos.

To bring about some semblance of order, Thomas Jefferson recommended the use of a simpler decimal system, a radical departure from Europe's stodgy coinage structure

(pence, shillings, and reales, for example). But as a sign of respect and tradition to the Old World, Jefferson further suggested the proposed decimal system be based on the dollar. Unlike the Spanish dollar, divided into eight reales (a.k.a. "bits"), the new dollar would be divided into hundredths and tenths, a system much easier to deal with mathematically.

Jefferson's ideas were welcomed by many, at least superficially. On July 6, 1785, the United States Congress voted in favor of Jefferson's plan, but took no action beyond that. There



Twenty shilling note, issued by Rhode Island, 1786. The state's paper money became so shunned that a law was written to punish anyone refusing to accept it. Image courtesy of EarlyAmerican. com.

simply was still not enough interest in redefining the role and responsibilities of the national government, in the realm of coinage or anything else.

While undesirable, the coinage fiasco was allowed to fester for a while longer.

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