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Regina Coin News

This Month: What is the best way to preserve your valuable coins?

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Presidents Message

By Kelly Moens

Here we are about to start a new season with the Coin Club. We have some good things to look forward to on our agenda this year, including talks with some of our members, workshops on materials for coin storage, films from the C.N.A. library, and other events which have yet to be finalized. I have been in contact with the Mint and they have told me that our coins will be shipped in late March. We are presently working on a calendar of events for the year and hope to have some copies available for the meeting on February 21. The silver trade dollars are in and will be available for sale at the February meeting, although I am still waiting for the cases to arrive from the Sherritt Mint.

So long for now, I look forward to seeing as many of our members as possible out to the next meeting on February 21 at 7:30 PM at the Co-operators Insurance Building 1920 Collage Ave here in Regina.

CNA educational forum was a great success.

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On July 25, 26 and 27 three sessions of an Educational Forum at the CNA convention in Toronto offered convention goers an opportunity to learn more about problem coins and the care of their collections, about the numismatics of Toronto, about casting art medals, medieval mint debasements and numismatic aspects of the discovery of America.

Brian Cornwell, well known to readers of Canadian Coin News, began the workshop with advice and exercises in identifying and dealing with "problem coins".

Susan Maltby, a freelance conservator whose column, "saving Money", appears in Coin World, gave the second half of the workshop on providing safe storage conditions for coins and paper money. She noted that all metals are trying to return to their former mineral state through the process of corrosion, and that a good holder should provide safe long term storage, should be transparent to avoid man-handling, should be easy to use without risk to the coin or note while inserting or removing it, and should hold the coin or note firmly to prevent it from moving around.

A holder should also be made from a safe material. It should be non-degradeable and pure such as a polyethelene, polypropylene, polystyrene or acrylic plastic. Cellulose acetate is a questionable material since it can give off acetic acid when

it degrades, but containers made from this material have a history of being trouble free, apparently because they are in a very well made acetate.

PVC or vinyl is the most classic example of bad materials, and in spite of this is one of the most common materials housing coins on the bourse floor. PVC is the culprit behind the green slime(copper phthalate) that occurs on copper coins but, because it contains chlorine that can react with the water in the at-

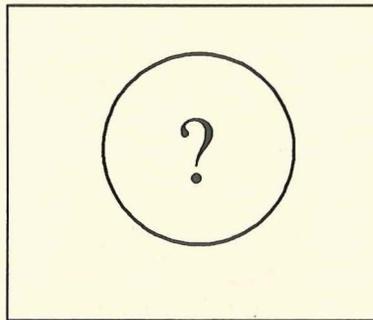
mosphere, PVC can also create hydrochloric acid, the stuff of "acid rain", on the surface of your coins.

Other bad materials include Saran, sometimes laminated onto other plastics to waterproof them.

The bottom line, Maltby says, is to avoid buying any storage product if the manufacturer refuses to tell you what it is made from.

Maltby went on to advise participants on how to give their collections the best storage environments. The important thing is to monitor the collections periodically to check for changes. The relative humidity should be 35% or lower for metal artifacts, such as coins, and about 50% for banknotes. This means that you should not store your collection in basements or near exterior walls.

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The 1992 Regina Trade Dollar. Have you seen this coin yet???

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Where high humidity is unavoidable and a dehumidifier is not sufficient, collectors should use silica gel to absorb excess moisture in the vicinity of the coins or notes. This will become saturated in time and must be re-dried in an oven at 250 F for 12 hours. There are some kinds of "indicating gel" that turns from blue to pink as it becomes time to change it. Extremes of heat or light are also damaging, and can cause adverse chemical reactions.

"Our hands," are the worst culprit says Maltby and are the chief source of contaminents to collectables. Fingerprints are actually etched into the surface of the coin and cannot be removed without wrecking the surface. The safest way to handle coins is with gloves, preferable disposable cotton. If you wash the gloves do not use bleach as the chlorine will produce hydrochloric acid! Also, don't use latex (rubber) gloves, because they contain sulphur (a constituent of sulphuric acid as well as the culprit behind the black sulphides on silver coins).

If you do have to handle coins without gloves, make sure that your hands are clean and also that you only hold the coin by the edges.

Don't leave coins or notes in direct contact with wood; it can make an acceptable coin cabinet if it is lined with acrylic latex paint (Vardex) or if you line the drawers with polyethylene or aluminium foil to put a barrier between the coins and the wood.

A host of other materials are not good to put in contact with your collections. Paper is not only usually acidic, but contains lots of contaminents. Adhesives are bad. White glue produces acetic acid. Let a glued coin cabinet cure a long time before use, and avoid any materials that smell. The smell usually means that it is emitting something that you don't want in contact with you coins.

As with silica gel there are ways of reducing the presence of pollutants in the environment of you collection.

Activated charcoal absorbs pollutants, but there is no way to tell when it becomes saturated. As a result you have to change it frequently to make sure that it is working and it is very dirty to handle.

You can also buy sheets of paper or cloth impregnated with activated charcoal, a much cleaner alternative. Respirator masks for eliminating organic vapours contain activated charcoal and sell for about \$6 each. Charcoal made from coconuts is best.

Among other ways to protect against the environmental pollution are Mylar turkey bags to enclose portions of your collection, zinc carbonate strips that react with sulphur (but provide no indication of saturation), and Birk's rather expensive fabric impregnated with particulate silver. Free sulphur in the environment tends to react with the easiest target. In this case the particulate silver is attacked instead of you collection, but you will need to replace the cloth fairly often.

The most important thing is monitoring and condition reporting.

Once you have described the condition of a piece in details, six months later you can easily identify any changes that may have occurred that could be the harbingers of future coin problems.

Letters

I am a recent entrant in the field of collection of Coins & Banknotes. I recently joined the American Numismatic Association who sent me the Resource Directory 1990-1991 from where I got your address. I wish to make the following offer to the members of your coin club which I am sure would be of interest to at least some of them. I would be very obliged if you will kindly arrange to circulate (read) this letter to all the members of your club.

I wish to offer to swap, exchange, trade current Coins & Banknotes of my country INDIA for current Coins & Banknotes of your Country or any other country of the world. I have decided to collect the Coins & Banknotes in Good Condition Only and will treat different years of issue and/or different signatory (mint) as different coins or notes.

Also, I wish to have a pen-friend who will be able to teach me the very basics of Coins & Banknote collection such as how to take care of the collection, how to differentiate between grades of coins, presentation of the collection, and other basics of Numismatics.

If any member of your club is interested in the offers, kindly contact me at the following address.

Thank you all in anticipation of some early replies.

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Executive Meeting Minutes

Jan 13, 1992

This years schedule of events for the Regina Coin Club were discussed. The executive arrived at the following topics for the year as follows:

- Febuary-Human Interest or general interest
- March-Irish Coins
- May-The dollar coin of Canada, and PVC packaging, weather permitting.
- June-Film Night.
- September-Film Night and White Elephant Sale.
- November-Ancient Coins.
- December-Election Night.

During the meeting, our attention was directed to a new style of magnifying glass that has powers of five, six and seven all in one holder. This glass can be purchased at Woolco. The brand name of the product is "Bausham Laum".

A three man committee will be set up to look after the 1992 trade dollar program. The details of this program include contacting the Canadian Bankers Association, obtaining the City of Regina's authorization, disbursement of the coins, and the buy back at the end of the year. These jobs all require a little bit of time and the committee will be seeking volunteers. We have a great theme for this year's Trade Dollar, so lets make this one the best to be marketed yet and continue the club's success in this endeavour.

The club is planning to have a couple of new events this year to bring out the people to the Spring Show. Everyone is invited to meet the dealers for brunch on Sunday morning. You will be responsible for your own breakfast costs for the Spring Show Event, but if this event

proves successful, the club will provide for the Fall Show morning brunch.

Kelly Moens is the 1992 Spring Show Chairperson and kindly requests that anyone who wishes to donate some free time to please contact him at 543-7771. This is one of the feature events of the club so please lend a hand.

Editorial

By James Goodchild

I was asked by the executive if I could put together a newsletter for the month of January. Unfortunately, holidays and the date that I received material for this newsletter from others resulted in the Feb. 14 issue date. I have not formally indicated that I would become editor of the Regina Coin News, and if anyone else out there would like to become editor, please let the executive know A.S.A.P. Until then, work timetable permitting, I will try to run assemble some sort of legible and hopefully interesting newsletter. Anyone who has any sort of interesting material for the club, letters, commentary, or even a decent cartoon, please send it to the Regina Coin Club, P.O. Box 174, Regina, Sask. We will make every effort to see that you work is published. For those of you who have access to a IBM PC compatible computer and wish to submit text (ie: letters, comments, etc.), please save the text to disk (any format) and send it to the above address. We will return your disk to you and the resultant savings in man-hours spent re-typing other peoples work would be a HUGE benefit. Also anyone who wishes to become editor and is holding back because they don't have access to a computer, drop me a note and I will endeavour to set something up.

Well until next month, happy collecting.

REGINA COIN CLUB



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MAY 1992 NEWSLETTER MARY JOHNSON .. EDITOR

PRESIDENTS MESSAGE

Well here we are going into may. Our spring coin show was a success again this year thanks to all of you who volunteered your time. The attendance was down from previous years but we still had a good show. The brunch was another super meal, but instead of letting it settle while you view some great displays, or ponder over the dealers tables we still have a lot of you running away. You dont have to buy a lot of coins to make a show a success but enjoy yourself and look at what is being offered. You never know, you may never see another coin like some of these again.

I am looking forward to seeing how many of our members are going to put together a set of circulating quarters from 1968 till present. These coins must not be bought for more than \$0.25 and will be judged by the executive later in the year.

The summer BAR-B-QUE will be coming up in mid June. Please call our social committee if you are interested or see them at the may meeting on Friday May 22, at the Cooperators. At the meeting we will be showing you how to check your coin and bill holders to see if they contain any PVC's. So bring a sample of your holders and we will try to check each sample.

The club received the first shipment of 1992 coins from the mint which included all of the regular issue coins plus the first three commemorative quarters. The rest of the quarters and the commemorative dollar will be sent later in the year. We had a good response from our members for a roll of each of the circulating coins and will again next year do the same thing. If you are interested please contact me, Kelly Moens, Through the club mail box about what quantity you would like by September 15, 1992 and I will send an order off to the mint. Payment will be required by February 1, 1993. I do not anticipate the hastles we had this year because of the commemorative coin program for CANADA 125.

THIS IS, A STORY ABOUT FOUR PEOPLE NAMED EVERYBODY, SOMEBODY, ANYBODY AND NOBODY.

THERE WAS AN IMPORTANT JOB TO BE DONE AND EVERYBODY WAS SURE THAT SOMEBODY WOULD DO IT. ANYBODY COULD HAVE DONE IT, BUT NOBODY DID. NOW SOMEBODY GOT ANGRY ABOUT THAT BECAUSE IT WAS EVERYBODY'S JOB. EVERYBODY THOUGHT ANYBODY COULD DO IT, BUT NOBODY REALIZED THAT EVERYBODY WOULD NOT DO IT. IT ENDED UP THAT EVERYBODY BLAMED SOMEBODY WHEN NOBODY DID WHAT ANYBODY COULD HAVE DONE.

As some of you members may have heard by now, John and I did manage to get to Yuma, Ariz. for the first time ever for a couple of months this winter. It was nice to miss the cold and blowing snow but I did hear there were a few nice days in Sask. too.

We really enjoyed ourselves but we also missed some good times in Sask. One of them being the Brier. As a pin collector, this did hurt a bit as I heard there was a lot of pin trading going on. At this time, I would like to appeal to the members that may have got some Brier pins, either hotel or sponsor. I am trying to complete a set of each of them. I am willing to buy or trade for these pins if you have any you do not need for yourself. You can contact me at 586-8260.

The Spring Show is over but the R.C.C. still has plans for its members. Our annual picnic will be held on June 14th, followed by the Fall Show and the annual bowling night. This is a fun night with lots of eats and prizes for the best and worst bowlers.

We do not have an up to date financial statement for the Spring Show. The attendance at the door was somewhat down this year with only 337 adults and 44 paid Juniors attending. We hope for better things in the future.

Paul D. will be your Show Chairman for the Fall Show with some assistance from Mary J. Start thinking now about putting together a display for the Fall Show. We need some new displays along with the old to give the public an idea of what can be done with their own coins with a little effort. So members, get on your thinking caps now and come up with a few outstanding displays.

The R.C.C. is going to be celebrating its 40 th anniversary in 1993 and we are looking for any ideas from members for ways of marking this event in time. It would be great if we could come up with some ideas that would give us lots of pre-show advertising. Come to your meeting with your ideas or if you really can't make a meeting, write to the club with your ideas. It may be just the one we are looking for.

The bus trip that we were planning in conjunction with the Saskatoon Coin club is still in limbo. We hoped to meet halfway (Davidson) for a joint get together of the 2 clubs.

If any member would like to edit the newsletter for the remainder of the year, please get in touch with Kelly at 543-7771.

Mary Johnson

ANNUAL R.C.C. PICNIC will be held at Dunnett Park, Avonlea on Sunday June 14th commencing at 2 P.M. Roast beef and baked potatoes will be served at 5 P.M. Games have been planned for the afternoon. If you are a paid up member, plan to attend. We need you to help make the picnic a success. Remember, someone has expended a lot of time and effort for you, a member. DO YOUR SHARE... SHOW UP. If you haven't signed up for the picnic yet, notify Millie at 543-6712 or Georgina at 1- 868-4528 no later than JUNE 1st. The call to Avonlea from Regina is free. All members that have their name on the list by JUNE 1 ST. will be notified ONE WEEK prior to the picnic and asked to bring a little something to compliment the roast beef and baked potatoes supplied by the Club. If your name is on the list, make sure you attend. Each year we have a few members that sign up and don't have the curtesy to attend or notify someone in time that they can't make it. DONT BE ONE OF THOSE MEMBERS. The R.C.C. has to pay for you even if you don't show once you have signed up. DO YOU THINK THIS IS FAIR? MAKE AN EFFORT TO COME TO THE PICNIC JUNE 14 th.....DUNNETT PARK.....AVONLEA.... Signs indicating picnic sites will be posted. There may be a Regional Park fee charged at the gate.

THE NEXT MEETING of the R.C.C. will be held at the Co-Operators, College Ave. on Friday, May 22 nd. at 7.30 P.M. ** change of date from 3 rd. to 4 th Friday only for this meeting. Dean will give a demonstration on the dangers of P.V.C.'s to your collection. Bring samples of your plastic coin or paper money holders and have them tested for safety. Some plastic holders can be very harmful to your collections. The testing will be carried out in the back parking lot of the building. It should be a very educational evening. Don't forget, bring your samples MAY 22 nd.

A CHANGE OF VENUE **** FROM THE CO-OPERATORS TO THE EMBASSY CAFE **** The R.C.C. MEETINGS FOR FRIDAY SEPT. 18TH, FRIDAY NOV. 20TH AND WEDNESDAY DEC. 9TH will be held at the EMBASSY CAFE, 2080 ALBERT ST. AT 7.30 P.M. There will be no meeting in October. We hope to be back at the Co-Operators again in 1993.

MEMBERSHIPS FOR 1992 are now due. Why don't you send in your \$ 5.00 single, \$ 7.50 family or \$ 3.00 Junior fees to R.C.C. Box 174, Regina S4P 2Z6 or better still, come to the MAY 22nd meeting and pay in person.

In 1990 the R.C.C. issued a \$2.00 Trade Coin commemorating 100 years of curling in Saskatchewan. In 1991 to coincide with our theme, the R.C.C. donated a large trophy and the small corresponding trophies to the winners of the Junior provincial Curling champions in the competition held at Shellbrook. Kelly, Al and Millie attended and made the presentations on behalf of the R.C.C. IN 1992, THE CLUB again donated the small individual trophies. Al and Millie on behalf of the R.C.C. presented the large and small

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trophies to the winners at the junior competitions held at Shaunavan. Following is a letter sent to the club for their participation.

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April 3, 1992

Dear Allan:

As I wrap up a few things from the provincials in Shaunavan, I just thought that I would send you a letter of thanks.

The Sask First 16 & under curling competition has been greatly enhanced by the support of yourself and the Regina Coin Club. The glistening championship trophy certainly caught the eye of the participants and all of them would like to get their names engraved on it.

I know that the kids and coaches, along with myself, will treasure the coins that were given to them. I hope that your upcoming coin show will get some publicity as well.

Please find enclosed a few complimentary pictures from Shaunavan. If you would like copies, just let me know.

I hope that you and your wife enjoyed your trip to Shaunavan. We look forward to working with your club again in the future.

Have a good summer! Bye for now,

Warren Dodds, Provincial Coach

COINAGE OF THE BRITISH EMPIRE... a talk with examples by Jim Smalley

IRELAND

Collecting coins of Ireland has one big advantage.... they are relatively easy to find and are quite inexpensive. All the coins in this talk are mine and none of them cost over \$10.00 - but one. Most were under \$ 5.00.

The first coins struck in Ireland were made by the Norsemen about the year one thousand. After the Norsemen or British invasion, the first English type coins were struck in 1185. Coins continued to be struck during the following centuries of British occupation. The first two coins illustrated are half pennies, 1680 struck under Charles the Second and 1693 struck under William & Mary.

William and Mary came to the throne in 1688 on the invitation of noblemen angry with the Catholic King James II. Fearing war, James fled in what has been known as the Glorious Revolution. Catholic James fled to France, then to Catholic Ireland to raise an army to win back England. To pay for his army, James struck an unusual coinage...it's made from old cannon, church bells, plates, etc. and is commonly called gunmoney. It was unpopular since it was not made of silver, but was accepted. The XXX on the coins means 30 pence...a half crown. This would represent about 2 months wages for a skilled worker. What's interesting about gunmoney is that the month of issue is also on the coin e.g. March 1689, May 1690. The 2 coins were issued only 2 months apart. The calendar in those days had late March-spring as the start of the new year. James II was defeated by William and his gunmoney was virtually worthless. This gunmoney was issued for about a year.

The English coinage from the times of Charles to the 1800's is very similar to the Irish coinage. The Irish coinage usually has the harp and lady, while the English has Britannia (a lady) seated on a rock. The harp is the best way to trace the coin to Ireland.

In 1722, hardware manufacture William Wood bought the right to make copper coinage for Ireland. These pieces were very unpopular. Known as Woods coinage, much of it was shipped over to the British colonies in America. The 3 pieces shown are Woods coinage (the farthing or quarter penny and the half penny). These coins carry little value in English or Irish catalogues. But...in older Krause catalogues, which mentions U.S. colonial coins, they carry a significant value... for example, I believe the half pennies are worth in the \$40.00 range. In contrast, these regular issue half pennies are worth only a few dollars each, mainly because they are not considered a major part of the American colonial coinage. Shown is a half penny of George II, who reigned from 1727 to 1760.

Next, half pennies from George III...he reigned from 1760 to 1820. He had mental problems, and was responsible

for the American colonies breaking away and forming the United States of America. By 1812, he was blind and deranged from syphilis, and his son ruled as Prince Regent.

Shown are 2 token coinage pieces. The voce populi is considered a token coinage struck in Dublin in 1760. More than 9 portraits are known...its considered likely its George II. These two are listed under U.S. colonial coinage and thus carry a good value...eg. \$40.00 in v.g. Numerous tradesmen token were made in the 1780's and 90's to pay workmen. Shown is a Cronebane half penny. It reads Associated Irish Mine Company. The edge of the coin has words written around it "payable at Cronebane Lodge or in Dublin".

After a 23 year break from issuing money, the Crown finally struck farthings, half pennies and pennies in 1805. These were the first official coinage struck by steam driven coin presses. These were made in Soho by machines built by James Watt and Mathew Boulton.

The Bank of Ireland issued silver tokens of 5 pence, 10 pence, half crowns and 6 shillings. The crown sized piece is scarce. This is the last coinage struck specifically for Ireland by a British monarch. George IV, son of George III issued rare farthings in 1822 and common half pennies and pennies in 1822 and 1823.

The protestant northern 6 counties of Ireland remained in the British Empire, but the southern section gained Dominican status in 1922. Irelands first coinage was struck in in 1928 and carries the words in Gaelic, IRISH FREE STATE. In 1939, Ireland became a republic and changed its name to EIRE. This is reflected on the coinage. In 1948, Ireland severed all ties with the British Commonwealth. This first coinage was designed by Percy Metcalf, an almost unknown British sculptor. The farthing, struck in 1928 to 1966, has a woodcock. The design was later adopted for the 50 pence coin when Ireland went decimal in 1971. The half penny has a sow and her piglets. The farthing and half penny were withdrawn from circulation in 1969 as the country prepared to go decimal.

The penny has a hen and chicks. The 3 pence was made from nickel 1928-1940, and then copper nickel 1942 to 1968. Likewise, the 6 pence which carries an Irish wolfhound. These designs were dropped from the new decimal coinage.

The shilling or 12 pence, florin or 24 pence and the half crown or 30 pence were struck in 750 silver 1928 to 1942. A few florins and half crowns were struck in 1943 but these are rare. Later issues were struck in copper-nickel. Many of the Irish coins carry mintages of less than one million, a fact I find quite appealing. It means a limited supply and can make it a challenge to complete the set. For example, the 1941 shilling has a mintage of 300 thousand as the florin of 1933. To grade these pieces, look for the tell-tale wear signs on the left side of the harp. If there is wear on the right side, you know its a lower grade. The key is to check the left hand side. If there are full

designs, then it should be close to EF or better. Prior to decimalization, no crowns were struck...only half crowns. One ten shilling piece, the equivalent value of 2 crowns, was struck in 1966. This piece commemorates the 50th anniversary of the Easter uprising against the British in 1916. Although 2 million pieces of these .833 silver coins were made, only 750 thousand were released. The coin has almost half an ounce of silver and catalogues for about \$7.00 in EF, \$12.00 in UNC. Some of the old coin designs were kept when the coinage went decimal in 1971. The old shilling corresponds with the 10 pence.

I have examples of several other new decimal coins with me. A new nickel bronze 20 pence was introduced in 1986 and a new one pound piece was brought out in 1990. It features the Irish red deer and has a face value of about \$2.00 Cdn. It replaces the one pound note, which like our dollar has a circulating life of less than a year because it wore out. Introduction of the new one pound coin is expected to save the Irish more than a million dollars in coming years as the coin lasts much longer than paper. As a coin collector, it's a nice trend to see. This is a thumbnail sketch of the coins of Ireland and that it will encourage you to collect Irish coins. The new coinage, introduced since 1928 is considered a strikingly beautiful series by many collectors. Putting a type set together is an interesting challenge that is not costly and a great source of pleasure.

DATES TO REMEMBER

JUNE 14TH PICNIC / AVONLEA

MAY 22ND MEETING

JUNE 19TH MEETING

CHANGE OF VENUE TO
EMBASSY CAFE

SEPT., NOV., & DECEMBER
HAVE A NICE SUMMER

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CIRCULATING QUARTER CONTEST

The executive would like to announce an exciting new contest for club members. With the Mint's introduction of the 12 new quarters for 1992 we thought it would be appropriate to sponsor a "CIRCULATING QUARTER" contest. Basically what this means is we would like each member to assemble a set of nickel quarters (1968 + on) from circulation. We will have the sets judged at the end of the year and the best one will win a prize. The prize has not been selected yet. Rumour has it that it will likely be a Mint set of 1992 quarters. This contest is ideal for all members, both in town and mail order, veteran or the new beginner. It will have a nostalgia element of collecting by date, along with a cost consideration within everyones budget.

The executive would like to point out each member of will be responsible to his/her self to play fair. We will have no way of monitoring the rules. Nor do we want to monitor the rules. To much work for an all ready overworked executive. We know for a fact that our members have loads of integrity and will play fair and have lots of fun doing it! Here are the simple rules:

- 1) This set must be started fresh. Right from now! No using any existing sets or accumulation you have already put away.
- 2) You can not pay more than 25 cents for any of the quarters.
- 3) You must assemble the set from circulation. This is defined as pocket change, piggy banks, rolls from the bank etc. Getting items from other collectors or dealers is fine just keep in mind rule #2.
- 4) A complete set will be considered one of each date from 1968 up to and including all circulating versions of the 1992's.
- 5) The executive has final say in selecting the winner and handling any problems or complaints connected to this contest.

Judging will be done using the following point scale:

- 1) 1968-91 | 23 years X 1 point = 23
- 2) 1992 | 12 versions X 1 point = 12
- 3) Condition | UNC #__ X 4 points = 140 max
 | AU #__ X 3 points
 | EF #__ X 2 points
 | below EF #__ X 1 point
- 4) Informing the executive in writing by SEPT 30/92 that you have begun a collection for the contest = 5 points.
- 5) Large head bust 1973 bonus = 5 points.
- 6) Getting some one else to evaluate and forward the marks to the executive = 7 points.

GRAND TOTAL = 192 POINTS

Please note that out of towners do not have to send the set in. Just get someone else to judge using the scale above. This has the added advantage of motivating you to find other collectors in your area. There by increasing your pleasure in the hobby. If you really live along way out we will even accept your own judging.

Note that no points are given for presentation because we would like to keep the cost down and put everyone on the same financial footing. The deadline date for the contest has not been set presently, because we would like to see how quickly the 92 quarters get into circulation. The contest ending date will be announced later in the year. We will give you plenty of notice of when this contest ends. Until then get out there and get collecting. DEAN

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JUNE 1992 NEWSLETTER EDITOR MARY JOHNSON

PRESIDENTS MESSAGE

Well June is almost past us. Where has the first half of the year gone? The first six quarters have been issued, January-New Brunswick, February-Northwest Territories, March-Newfoundland, April-Manitoba, May-Youkon, and June-alberta. The next six will be July-Prince Edward Island, August-Ontario, September-Nova Scotia, October-Quebec, November-Saskatchewan, and December-British Columbia. July will also feature a commemorative dollar coin.

At our may meeting Dean gave us a demonstration on how to determine if the plastics we are using for coin storage contain any PVC's. You just take a small piece of wire and make a small loop at one end, heat up the wire with a propane torch and melt the wire into the material you wish to test and place the wire with the sample into the flame. If the flame glows a brilliant green, the material contains some PVC's.

I would like to thank Al, Millie, Paul, and Georgina for the tremendous amount of work they put into making the annual club picnic held at Dunnet Regional Park a huge success. Without people like yourselves we would not be able to enjoy events like this. The meal which was prepared for us was so delicious that I again overstuffd myself, and enjoyed it! And I believe that I was not the only one. There was a lot of excitement in the under 40" category as Al handed each child a Half Dollar for winning the event they took place in. For the others who thought they were young there was the horse shoe tossing event, not pitching, tossing! Any way the grand champions were John and Kelly who narrowly took the second win to go undefeated in this event. Jimmy held a captive audience when he and his metal detector took to scouring the grounds. My youngsters now have a complete set of bottle caps with the oldest clinching onto a handfull of tent pegs. Jim did not go home empty handed though but could have increased his profits by beating one of the little one's at a game of ball. The June meeting will have two slide presentations from the C.N.A. which will include "Steam Locomotives on Canadian Medals and Trade Dollars", and "Canadian Ten Cents".

Hope to see you at the meeting and if I dont, have a great summer.

Dominion of Canada notes were first issued in the year 1870 and of that issue the notes were in the denominations of 25c, \$1.00 and \$ 2.00. These notes bore the signatures of T.D. Harrington for Receiver General and W. Dickenson for Minister of Finance. In the year 1878 there was a second issue of \$1 and \$2 notes which also bore the signature of T.D. Harrington as Receiver General, but these notes appeared to have been countersigned by hand. There were subsequent issues of \$1 Dominion of Canada notes in the years 1897, 1898, 1911, 1917 and 1923 which bore the signature of the Deputy Minister of Finance at the time the notes were issued together with a counter signature. Until the year 1923 these countersignatures were affixed by hand, but in that year printing presses were installed in the Department of Finance and from that time on the countersignature was the facsimile of the signature of the Comptroller of Currency at the time the notes were put over the presses.

The issues of \$2 notes subsequent to the 1878 issue were in the years 1887, 1897, 1914 and 1923. These notes were signed in the same manner as the \$1 notes. There was a second issue of 25 c notes in the year 1900 which bore the facsimile signature of the Deputy Minister of Finance. There was a third issue of 25 c notes in 1923 which bore the facsimile signature of the Deputy Minister of Finance and the Comptroller of Currency.

Four dollar notes were issued in the years 1882 and 1900 and two issues in the year 1902 which bore the signatures of the Deputy Minister of Finance and countersignatures.

The first issue of Dominion of Canada \$ 5 notes was in the year 1912 and there was a second issue dated 1924 but these notes were not actually put into circulation until 1934.

There was an issue of Dominion of Canada \$ 50 notes in the year 1872. \$ 500 and \$ 1000 notes were issued in the years 1911 and 1925.

Notes for use between the chartered banks, but not for normal circulation, were issued in \$500, \$ 1000 and \$ 5000 denominations in the year 1896 with further issues of the \$ 1000 and \$ 5000 notes in the years 1901 and 1924. There was an issue of \$ 50,000 notes in 1918 and 1924.

With reference to the seals, I might state that some of the \$1 and \$2 notes of the 1923 issue and the \$5 notes of the 1912 issue were put into circulation without seals. Subsequently seals of five different colors were used, namely blue, black, red, green and purple.

The first issue of Bank of Canada notes was in the year 1935. The majority of these notes were in the English text with the prefix letter "A", but some of the notes were also issued in French text with the prefix letter "F". These

notes were issued in denominations of \$1, \$2, \$5, \$10, \$20, \$25, \$50, \$100, \$500 and 1000 dollars. There was a second issue of Bank of Canada notes dated January 2nd, 1937. These notes were bilingual and issued in the same denominations as the 1935 notes with the exception that the \$25 notes and the \$500 notes were not issued in the 1937 series.

CORRECTION in our May newsletter: re Coins of Ireland
The Irish Schilling corresponds to the modern 5 pence and NOT the 10 pence.

NOTE: There is some dispute as to the cause of the madness of George III. The Editorial in the newsletter claims he suffered from SYPHILUS but one of our members, R.C. Willey, suggested it was from PORPHYRIA. I also read somewhere that he suffered from SYPHILUS. WHICH STORY IS CORRECT ???

COINS FOR 1993 Orders by members for the 1993 coinage from the Mint must be placed to the R.C.C. by Sept. 15 th. Payment must be made in full to the R.C.C. by Feb. 20th. **NO EXCEPTIONS** The Club will accept a postdated cheque to Feb. 20th/93 so you may send a cheque when you place your order. There is a limit of 10 rolls of any one coin. You must be a fully paid up member for 1992 and 1993 before your coin order will be processed so please send your membership fee with your order if you had not already paid. \$5 for adults, \$7.50 for family and \$3 for juniors.

REMINDER The R.C.C. will be celebrating it's 40th anniversary in 1993. Please give us your ideas on any special ways that the Club can celebrate its anniversary. Write to the address on the first page.

The R.C.C. is thinking of producing a \$2 Trade Coin for 1993. Put on your thinking caps and come up with a Saskatchewan historic theme design for the coin. The winning designer, if we produce a coin, will receive a silver uniface trade coin depicting his or her design.

THE PICNIC was a success even though mother nature was not up to snuff. The Social Committee had arranged for the Club to have the use of indoor facilities so the wind and rain did not bother us. The men had a few games of horeshoes, some of us played croquet while the young ones enjoyed themselves on the swings and slides. We didn't even know the kids were around. They were great kids.

The food was delicious, especially the roast beef. The members brought out a nice assortment of salads and scads of fruit. We talked, drank (coffee & juice) and ate fruit most of the afternoon. YUMMMMMY. The chairperson informed me that all the members that signed up turned out or else they notified us in plenty of time that they could not make it. **TERRIFIC EFFORT, MEMBERS.....it makes it all worth while.**

We will be looking for some outstanding displays at the fall show. Why don't you start working on a display now? It's been Club policy not to judge the displays but to give everyone displaying a prize of equal value. It is my hope that this practice does not deteriorate the quality of the displays. So bring forth your best effort and complete a display for the fall show.



"Fido" has his innings. The Niagara Suspension Bridge Bank — opened 1835, closed 1840 — had a dog's head with "Fidelity" on its collar, a nice thought. A space was left blank at printing for later insertion of a payee's name.

Probably the most difficult of all instruments to play is second fiddle.

TRIVEA Check your 1992 quarters for varieties or die breaks. One of our members had found significant die breaks on the New Brunswick quarters. The 1 in 1992 is crossed. †992

The summer holidays are nearly upon us. I hope you all have a safe and happy summer. John and I will only be taking short trips with our motorhome as we expect to go south for the winter again.

ANOTHER DATE TO REMEMBER Our fall coin show will be held at the 7 OAKS MOTOR INN Oct. 17th and 18th. Please attend at the 7 OAKS Friday evening at 6.30 P.M. to help set up tables, signs, etc. Sometime in October, prior to the show, you, the member, will be called upon to sit at the door. In the past just about everyone offered to sit.

NEXT MEETING will be Sept. 18th at the EMBASSY CAFE 2080 Albert St. (back room off 13th Ave.). Our November 20th and December 9th meetings will also be held there. We will try and get back to the Co-operators for the meetings in the new year. We will keep you posted. There will be no regular meeting in October due to our October coin show.

* NO MEETINGS = JULY + AUGUST

by Dr. J.A. Haxby

About ten years ago, during a survey of date variations in the Canadian decimal coins, we made several observations regarding the 1891-2 10¢. Without exception, the date on the 1891 21 leaves variety was composed of small digits, while that on the 22 leaves variety had large digits. The date elements are illustrated in Figures 1a & b.

On almost all of the 1892's, the date appeared awkward (Figure 1c) due to the presence of a small 9 in association with large 18 and 2. The 9 is from the same hand punch used to date the 1891 21 leaves dies. A single 1892 specimen, however, had a large 9 (from the same punch as was used for the 1891 22 leaves dies). When we obtained the large 9 piece, its date was clogged with dirt and remained in that state for some four years.

In the meantime only one similar specimen was encountered and it was badly mutilated. In fact up to the time of writing we have still seen only the two specimens, compared to many of the small 9 counterpart. When the dirt was finally removed, we were rather surprised to find that the large 9 coin was a double-variety; the 2 is over a 1! From the rarity of the variety it is probably safe to conclude that a single die was involved and that it was used for a brief time.

As is almost always true of overdates, only portions remain of the digit that was overpunched. The lower arrow in Figure 2a indicates the vestiges of the right hand part of the 1's base. As it extends toward the front of the 2, this base is broken; the drawing in Figure 2b shows how the 2 over 1 complex appears when viewed toward its bottom edge. Two pieces of the upright stroke of the 1 can be seen (Figure 2a, upper two arrows). One joins the outside loop of the 2 to its base (in the photo the piece does not seem to touch the base because of the lighting used). The other is a slightly curved region within the inside the 2's loop.

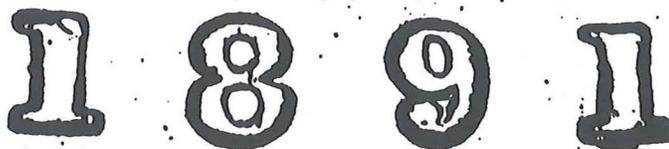
The 2 over 1 complex is graphically depicted in Figure 2c. The three raised pieces of the original 1 are shaded in solid black.³ The drawing was made from an actual photograph. If one superimposes upon it the style and size 1 used in the dates of the 1891 22 leaves coins, Figure 2d is obtained. The 1 is outlined with a dotted line, and was positioned by lining up its right base with the piece protruding to the right of the base of the 2.

One is immediately struck by the excellent positioning of the 2 over the underlying 1. If the engraver were attempting to punch in the 2 in such a way as to leave as little as possible of the 1 visible⁴, he succeeded very well. The most critical areas---the top and bottom---are mostly covered by the 2. It is interesting that the upper remains of the 1 are not from one of the edges but are from the center of the upright.

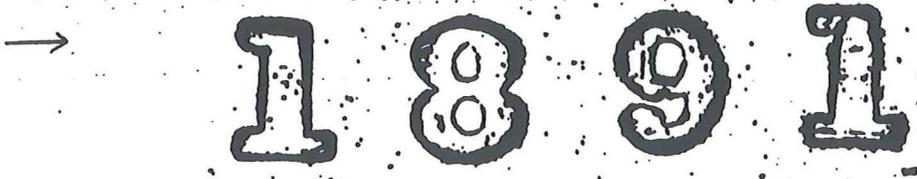
The fact that the only portions of the overpunched figure(s) in an overdate that are consistently clearly visible beneath the new figure(s) are those at the periphery begs an explanation. The 1880 second 8 over 7 Newfoundland 10¢, discussed in a previous paper⁵, is an even more extreme example than the present case. There, no trace whatsoever can be seen of the 7 within the loops of the 8, despite the unambiguous indication from photographic overlaying⁶ that it should go through these regions. The basis of the phenomenon is the subject of current investigation and a report of our findings will appear in a future contribution.

FIGURE 1.

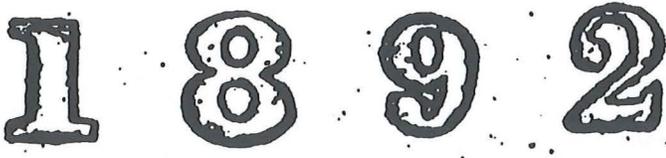
NORMAL 1891-2 DATE ELEMENTS.



a. 1891 21 leaves (small date only) →



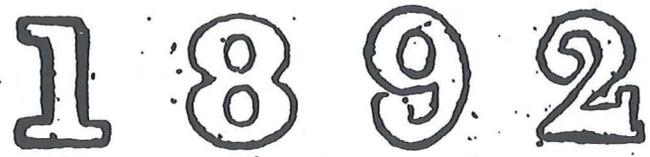
b. 1891 22 leaves (large date only)



c. 1892 small 9

FIGURE 2.

THE 1892 LARGE 9, 2 OVER 1.



a. Photo of the actual coin.



b. Drawing of the base of the 2 over 1 complex seen from the bottom.



c. Drawing of the complex seen from above.



d. Complex with an appropriate 1 superimposed.

FOOTNOTES AND REFERENCES

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3. The technique is similar to that outlined in reference 5.
4. He undoubtedly was; the overpunched figures on Royal Mint overdates are in general well positioned.
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Summer 1992 Mary Johnson Editor

PRESIDENTS MESSAGE

Summer has come and gone. Hardly seems like we have had a break. I was sorry to hear of two of our members who passed away over the holidays. Carol Arthur wife of George Arthur, and Edith Maynard, one time president, vice-president, and secretary of the Regina Coin Club. I would like to extend my sincere sympathy to the two families on behalf of the Regina Coin Club.

I am looking forward to seeing as many of you as possible out to our next meeting on Friday September 18, 1992. Don't forget that the next three meetings will be held at the Embassy Restaurant 2080 Albert street, and that the meetings WILL start at 7:30 P.M.

The fall coin show set to go Saturday October 17th and Sunday October 18th seems to be going along on schedule. Paul will need some volunteers to help out on Friday October 16, 1992. Please be at the Seven Oaks by 6:30 Friday night. I believe that all of the tables have been sold but our members can still leave their name on a list in case there is a last minute cancellation.

We are again planning a bowling night scheduled for Saturday November 21, 1992 at the Prairie lanes from 9:00 P.M.-bowling and lunch is finished. Please let your social committee members know if you will be there, either at the next meeting, at the coin show, or drop us a line at the above address.

I again will be taking orders for mint issue rolls of 1993 coin. If you are interested in ordering any 1993 coin please let me know by the end of September. After this date I cannot guarantee that you will receive any 1993 coin.

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DID YOU KNOW ? The 1991 quarters are selling for over \$ 100. per roll. Do you have any?

Check your 1992 quarters. Some of our members have been finding numerous varieties/errors.

Lots of things are more important than money. The trouble is that you need money to buy them.

The Prudential Exchange Company Limited, Lang

by Cecil C. Tannahill

The advertising of the Canadian Government, telling about the prime arable land in the Territories, was seen by a group of investors in Minnesota and South Dakota. In 1902, two members of the group came north to look over the potential of starting a land company and of purchasing land for themselves.

Ferdinand Steidl and Michael Zempel were impressed with the potential of the area around Lang, and their report back to the group was most favorable. So the group had attorneys of Wheaton, Minnesota prepare the Articles of Association and this was sent to the Registrar of Joint Stock Companies in Regina, N.W.T. It was not until March 28th, 1906, that these documents received approval from the Registrar for The Prudential Exchange Company Limited to do business in the Province of Saskatchewan. The capital of the company was \$50,000.00 divided into 100 shares of \$500.00 each. Shortly afterwards they purchased land from the Canadian Pacific Railway and brought in settlers. It was soon felt that they needed a banking house to handle all the transactions so a banking house was opened at Lang. A. L. Steidl was appointed general manager and cashier of the bank with a salary of \$65.00 per month. A. E. Pearson was appointed assistant manager at \$50.00 per month. In 1907 a branch was opened at Wilcox with C. A. Nelson as manager.

With all the activity in farming and the need to handle grain from their settlers, it was decided to build an elevator so material for an elevator to hold 40,000 bushels was ordered. Later on, due to the amount of grain handled, they purchased a seat on the Winnipeg Grain Exchange.

The 1912 report states that the company is in excellent condition and recommends opening another branch at Sovereign.

In 1913 they declared a dividend on their share capital of 20%. 1914 - 20%; 1915 - 20%; 1916 - 7 1/2%; 1917 - 7 1/2%; 1918 - 10%; 1919 - 10%; 1920 - no dividend; 1921 - 12%; 1922 - 8%.

The 1923 annual report shows that the Lang bank had a profit of \$2716.15, Wilcox a loss of \$833.18 and Sovereign a loss of \$1894.77. The elevator profits were down and only showed a profit of \$8,000.00 so a dividend of 4% was declared. The 1924 statement showed the company owned 5,000 acres of land, they had 1,620 acres in wheat, 319 acres in oats, 295 acres in flax and 50 in barley. Deposits in the three banks was \$498,309.40 but profits were slim so a dividend of 4% was declared. In 1925 - 10%; 1926 -

10%; 1927 - 10%; 1928 - 10%. In 1929, there were no sales of land during the year and the annual report urged a word of caution as they were carrying too many creditors on the books, so no dividends. No report is available



for 1930. At the annual meeting in 1931 it was stated that the company was in dire financial straits and that a committee was set up to see what could be done. The shareholders attended a meeting held at 408 McCallum Hill Building on the 12th day of August, 1931 at 1:00 p.m. It was agreed that The Prudential Exchange Company be wound up voluntarily under the Provisions of the Winding Up Act of the Province of Saskatchewan. Very little is in the files as to the

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Local Manager, Wilcox

disposition of their assets but it wasn't until November 5, 1954 that The Prudential Exchange Company Limited was struck off the Registrar of Joint Stock Companies.

THE FALL COIN & STAMP SHOW will be held Saturday Oct. 17th 10-6 and Sunday Oct. 18th 11-5 at the 7 OAKS MOTOR INN 777 ALBERT ST. As in previous years, we will need help in setting up tables and covers, name signs and hauling in cases and lights on Friday evening prior to the show. Try and be there by 6.30. As there is no general meeting in October, we have a small meeting over coffee after setup. We will also require help Sunday after 5 to reload the cases, lights, etc. The members will again be asked to sit at the ticket and sales table.

Now is the time to decide to assemble your coins, tokens, paper money or what you have into a display as we have ample room for displays. Each displayer gets a very nice award for his/her display. In the past it has been a p/1 set but whatever it will be, it will be well worth your efforts in setting up a display. If you wish to display, please notify Al L. at 543-6712. Come on members, show us what you can do. Its nice to have our regulars display their wares but it sure would be nice to have some new ideas too.

We will be having our dealers and members Sunday brunch again this year. It will be open to all paid up 1992 members. If you are a member and a dealer both, you will only get one ticket as either a dealer or member. Don't forget, all you breakfasters, it would be appreciated if after the FREE breakfast you would show your appreciation by attending the coin show. Breakfast will be open from 9 to 11. The show opens at 11 A.M.

Show Chairman

If you are making up sets of the 1992 quarters, be informed that the Coin Shops in Regina and H.K. Coins in Moose Jaw carry holders for these coins at a very reasonable price.

The Club is looking for members to fill most of the Executive positions for 1993. If you haven't yet been an executive member or have had a few years respite, why don't you take the plunge and let your name stand for an Executive position. This is your chance to do your thing for the CLUB. If you wish to let your name stand, phone Kelly at 543-7771.

If you think the Club should produce a 93 Trade Dollar, how about submitting some ideas or plans. It's the Clubs' 40th Ann. in 93 so maybe we can amalgamate that info into a theme. One of the stipulations for the Trade Dollar is that it must have a historic theme relating to events in Regina or Saskatchewan. We did not have a Trade Dollar in 1992. The 1991 Trade Dollar program was a financial failure. A point to remember: It is not enough to produce a Trade Coin. You

must have ample advertising and the personnel to complete the many hours of work required to make the program work. If you do vote for a 93 coin, remember, you may be responsible for some of the work.

LAST REMINDER; If you wish to order any 93 coins from the Mint through the Club, you have to notify Kelly M. by Sept. 30th. A cheque for the full amount must be included with your order but if you so desire you may post-date your cheque to FEB.1, 1993. YOU MUST BE A FULLY PAID UP MEMBER FOR THE CLUB TO PROCESS YOUR ORDER.

The Club expects the 1992 Mint coins that were ordered through the Club to be in Regina sometime in the second week in October. These will only be the Commemorative Dollars and the quarters minted to October.

NOTICE If any of the members are participating in the 25c program, they must notify Dean N. in writing at the Clubs' address by Sept. 30th.

SASKATOON COIN SHOW SAT. OCT. 31st. and SUN. NOV. 1st.

If you are interested in the bus trip to the Saskatoon Coin Show on Saturday Oct. 31st, sign up for it at the next meeting, at the Coin Show or notify Al L. at 543-6712. This is a FREE trip sponsored by the Club so if you sign up, please make sure you can go. By signing and not going you may be keeping another member from going.

HOW CAN WE CELEBRATE OUR CLUBS' 40TH YEAR IN 1993?

The Executive are open to suggestions.

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NEXT MEETING Sept. 18th at the Embassy Cafe, 2080 Albert St. BACK DOOR at 7.30 P.M. Our Nov.20 th and Dec. 9th meetings will also be held there. You will be notified where and when the 1993 meetings will be held.

THE MEETING ON SEPT. 18th WILL BE SWAP NIGHT, SO BRING OUT YOUR GOODIES AND DO A TRADE. FOR THOSE THAT DON'T TRADE, WE WILL ALSO BE HOLDING AN AUCTION.

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PRESIDENTS MESSAGE

WELL HERE WE ARE WITH NOVEMBER CREEPING UP ON US. THE COOL CRISP AIR OF AUTUMN, THE FALL COIN SHOW PASSED US BY, AND THE SEARCH FOR A NEW EXECUTIVE, **EAGER, ENERGETIC, AND WILLING**, TO OFFER SOME NEW IDEAS TO KEEP THE CLUB RUNNING LIKE A WELL OILED MACHINE. WE HAVE A GREAT MEETING PLANNED FOR NOVEMBER 20th, 7:30, AT THE EMBASSY RESTAURANT LOCATED AT ALBERT STREET AND 13th AVE. IN REGINA. ALSO THIS MONTH AT THE PRAIRIE LANES 675 ALBERT STREET APPROXIMATELY 24 HOURS AFTER THE NOVEMBER MEETING WE WILL ENGAGE IN SOME BOWLING PLEASURE.

FROM WHAT I HAVE BEEN HEARING THE FALL SHOW WAS AGAIN A HUGE SUCCESS. THE DEALERS WERE HAPPY WITH THEIR SALES, THE CLUB WAS HAPPY WITH THE HELP WE RECEIVED FROM THE MANY VOLUNTEERS WHO HELPED MAKE THIS EVENT RUN AS SMOOTHLY AS IT DID, AND OUR ATTENDANCE WAS AGAIN VERY GOOD. ON SUNDAY, THE MANY BULGING BELLIES TOLD ME THAT BRUNCH WAS IN A WORD, FANTASTIC!

OUR NOVEMBER MEETING WILL INCLUDE A VISIT FROM A SPECIAL GUEST SPEAKER WHO WILL SPEAK TO US ON CHINESE COINAGE. OUR SPEAKER IS WORKING ON HIS MASTERS THESIS ON THIS SUBJECT, SO THIS SHOULD PROVE TO BE A VERY INTERESTING EVENING. PLEASE FEEL FREE TO BRING ANY CHINESE COINS YOU WOULD LIKE HIM TO IDENTIFY.

SATURDAY NOVEMBER 21, 1992 9:00 - 12:00 PRAIRIE BOWLING LANES. THIS IS THE SITE OF THE ANNUAL REGINA COIN CLUB BOWL FOR THE BIG BUCKS BOWLING TOURNAMENT. JUST KIDDING. BUT WE DO HAVE A GOOD TIME ROLLING THOSE ROUND SPHERES DOWN THE HARDWOOD LANES TO THOSE ELUSIVE PINS. SEE YOU THERE.

WE DESPERATLY NEED TO FIND SOME HARD WORKING, ENERGETIC, SOULS TO FILL THE POSSITIONS, AND THERE ARE MANY OF THEM, ON THE 1993 EXECUTIVE. IF YOU CAN SPARE SIX EVENINGS A YEAR TO ATTEND THE EXECUTIVE MEETINGS PLEASE LET YOUR NAME STAND, OR SIT WITH US AT THE NOVEMBER MEETING.

THANK YOU. HAVE A GREAT FALL, ER...,AUTUMN

Wartime Coins of Canada

Commerating Candian coinage during wartime years . In Canada we have only but a few wartime coins which are directly related to war. The coins that I will be writing about will be on the Canadian nickel. Do you know how the 1942 Tombac design came about? During wartime years nickel was an important component of stainless steel and other alloys which were required for producing war materials. During World War II this put a great strain on our nickel producers. In 1942 it was decided that nickel would have to be eliminated from coinage material until the war was over. The mints then started to do experiments to find a metal substitute for coinage in the nickel denomination. This led to the adoption of the twelve sided coin made of tombac, a kind of brass. The idea was originated from the British 3-penny piece which was first issued in 1937. This five cent piece was given it's shape so that when it was tarnished it would still not be confused with the penny denomination.

The 1943 design of the Tombac nickel was used to promote the war effort . This design was originated from Churchill's famous "V" sign and the V denomination mark was on U.S. 5-cent pieces of 1883-1912. The mint placed a novel feature which was in use of an International Code message meaning, "We Win When We Work Willingly." This was placed along the rim on the obverse instead of denticles. The original master matrix was engraved entirely by hand by Royal Canadian Mint Chief Engraver Thomas Shingles. The obverse was the same as the 1942 nickel except rim denticles were added .

The 1944, 1945 design of the 5-cent coinage was also forced to change it's components due to war demands on copper and zinc on the 5-cent denomination . The mint decided the institution of plated steel . The steel was plated with nickel and then returned to the plating tank for a very thin layer of chromium. This material was very hard and helped to retard wear ; so This resulted in the edges of the blanks (and hence the coins) being unplated and vulnerable to rusting. Some collectors have noted steel 5-cent pieces which have a dull grey colour instead the normal bluish white colour . this is due to some of the nickels being plated with nickel only and not chromium. Such coins do not obverse resumed "ET IND: IMP." in obverse legend. After the end of the World War II , the mint returned to the issue of the nickel 5-cent pieces of the beaver design. however it was decided to retain the twelve sided shape, because it had become so popular This was implemented in the 1946, 1947. The obverse was the same as the 1943-1945.

did a super job;special thanks to everyone who helped out in all those little things that help everything run smoother. The club sponsored a Sunday breakfast which had a tremendous turnout again. Special note one of the dealers Hugh Powell has misplaced a cheque in which he sold a 1938 twenty-five cent piece MS 62 ICCS graded, amount of the cheque was for \$140.00 . If you purchased this could you phone Hugh at 1-807-548-8037. Your help in this matter would be greatly appreciated. The Displays at this years show were fantastic. There was allot of work put into these displays and everyone who looked at them said that this was one of our best years for displays. The next show we will rotate displays to allow more people to show off their proud collections. If you would like to put a display in the show let the show chairman know and he will make sure that there is space for your display.

VARIETIES SECTION

The club was wondering if anyone has found any new varieties in this years twenty-five cent piece. If you have please write in and we will publish these findings for everyone to look for in their coins. If you have found any varieties other than the commorative quarters please send us some information on it and we will put it this section as well.

Regina coin club's general meeting held on September 18, 1992. This meeting was of a different variety we had the opportunity to trade any of our coins or paper currency. Everyone seemed to enjoy this idea of trading ;it brought back old memories of why the coin club was originally setup . I hope we will continue this idea in the future for others to get in on this great deal. Minutes of the previous meeting were read. Motion was made by Mary J. to adopt minutes as read, seconded by Al. L. . The book case will be transferred to Henry H. house at a later date. No trade dollar coin thought of as yet. Spring show will be held April 17,18 at the Seven Oaks Hotel hope to see you there. New business , During the summer break the club had two of it's members pass away. The club has made a donation for Carol A. to the Diabetes foundation. A donation was also made to the Santa Maria home for Edith M.in memory of these two people the club gives it;s condolences. Al L. made a motion to donate the Scoop Lewry trophy to special olympics. Special Olympics has agreed to use the trophy for the Saskatchewan Special Olympics Provincial 5 Pin Bowling tournament. The trophy will be sent over to them as soon as the new plaque is setup for it. Spring show chairman will be Paul D. The club had sponsored another trip to go see the fall show in Saskatoon the bus was all booked up. Everyone who I talked to who had went to the show was very pleased. A few of the people had picked up some more key items for their collections. One of our members had picked up over fifty new items for his set. Kelly m. and Jim S, both had won door prizes while they were attending the show in Saskatoon. Meeting arrangements haven't been set for the upcoming year do you have any ideas where to have meetings ? Do you think we should still have them at the Embassy restaurant or not ?

The club is currently looking for a new design for a medal or a medallion. If you have any ideas or would like to send in a design bring it to the next meeting on November 21,1992 at the Embassy restaurant. We will be making a selection then for the club's fortieth anniversary then so lets have a great turnout and show our support to the club. Give us your views on what should be done. The club is bringing in a professional speaker to give a talk on Chinese coins. If you have any chinese coins or paper currency please bring it along and he will identify it for you. This topic sounds very interesting so lets show our support and have an exceptional turnout. A word to all the people who signed up for bowling it will be held at the Prairie Lanes on November 21,1992. at 7:30. The club will be holding their elections night in December and the following positions will be available President, Treasurer, 2 Directors, Secretary, .We have the following positions filled 2 directors, and vice president. If you are interested in any of the following positions contact Dean N. and he will help you out with any questions you might have for any of these positions. It will be a great honer to be a member of the executive committee on the club's fortieth anniversary . See you at the next meeting.

The fall show was another success. I would like to give thanks to all those who helped out in organising the fall show they