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VIVA LA REVOLUCION

BY

Joe Flores, C-2

As a collector of Mexican Revolution coinage of all states in all formats, such as off metal, off center strikes, and plain edge coins, and any others, but I think you get the picture.

This article will be a list of plain edge coins using *LA VENTANA* numbers by Woodworth and Flores 1988 (out of print), with out reference to their GB numbers.

Years ago Mexican Revolution coins could commonly be found in bargain boxes. I began collecting these coins, hunting for all the coins with a plain edge or imperfections I could find. I am sure that others coins could be found in other denominations or types.

The results of my study as of this date are as follows:

| Value | Oaxaca# | Value | Oaxaca# |
|---------|---------|-----------------|---------|
| 1 ct | 5 | 20 ct | 60 |
| 1 ct6 | | 20 ct64 | |
| | | 20 ct | 66 |
| 5 ct22 | | 20 ct | |
| 5 ct23 | | 20 ct 68 | |
| 5 ct | 27 | 20 ct | 70 |
| 10 ct | 30 | un peso | 94 |
| 10 ct | 42 | | |
| 10 ct43 | | dos peso | 100 |
| 10 ct | 43a | | |
| 10 ct | 45 | 2 peso | 113 |
| 10 ct46 | | 2 Peso | 118 |
| 10 ct | 47 | | |
| 10 ct | 48 | 5 peso | 120 |
| 10 ct | 49 | 3 33 | |
| 10 ct | 51 | | |

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COMMUNICATION FROM THE SOCIEDAD NUMISMATICA DE MEXICO.

The year 2010 will be a very important year for México, we will commemorate the Bicentennial of the initiation of the War of Independence and the Centennial of the beginning of the Mexican Revolution

The Mexican Numismatic Society is joining efforts in order to make of this a memorable celebration. We are glad to inform that we have received the support from the US Mexican Numismatic Association who is allowing us to take advantage of your Journal to pass this information, for that our sincere thanks.

The Mexican Numismatic Society was founded in 1952 with the idea of promoting culture, friendship and the study of our history through its coins, during these 56 years we have maintained that idea as the core of our efforts. As of today we have uninterruptedly printed 219 quarterly bulletins, have organized 47 International Coin Conventions and have sponsored – always relying in the support of our members - an important number of seminars, lectures and coin displays, have sustained monthly meetings at which, presentations about numismatics and/or related history are made by members or guests; for over 40 years and thanks to the support of the National Bank of México we have conducted these meetings at their premises in the historical center of the City.

Notwithstanding the above, these achievements, result of the concerted effort of the members of the Sociedad, are being challenged by the general situation, we recognize that everyday it's more difficult to spare time and money for these goals but we are also sure that the love and enthusiasm for our incredible hobby will help us overcome the situation and make of the coming events a memorable occasion.

This communication is a formal invitation to join the Sociedad Numismatica de Mexico and help us support the events we will organize for 2010 of which our September International Convention will be the central one.

"IN NUMISMATICS THERE ARE NO FOREIGNERS ONLY FRIENDS FROM OTHER COUNTRIES"

Thank you all.

Rogelio Charteris Reyes, President Elect

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COMUNICACIÓN DE LA SOCIEDAD NUMISMÁTICA DE MÉXICO

2010 será un año muy importante para México, ese año conmemoraremos el Bicentenario del inicio de nuestra Guerra de Independencia y el Centenario del inicio la Revolución Mexicana.

En la Sociedad Numismática de México estamos uniendo esfuerzos para que esta sea una memorable celebración.

La US Mexican Numismatic Association nos ha dado su apoyo al permitir que nos comuniquemos con ustedes vía su boletín. Por el solidario gesto reciba nuestro agradecimiento.

La S. N. de M se fundó en 1952 con la idea de promover la cultura, la amistad y el estudio de nuestra historia a través de sus monedas, durante estos 56 años ha mantenido esta idea como la meta central de sus esfuerzos. A la fecha ha impreso ininterrumpidamente 219 boletines trimestrales, ha organizado 47 Convenciones Numismáticas Internacionales y ha apoyado - con la desinteresada ayuda de los socios - un gran número de seminarios y eventos numismáticos, ha mantenido una tradición de juntas mensuales en las que se imparte por alguno de los socios o invitados una conferencia relacionada con la numismática; gracias al apoyo del Banco Nacional de México por mas de 40 años hemos celebrado estas reuniones en sus instalaciones en el Centro Histórico de la Ciudad.

A pesar de lo anterior, estos logros, que han sido el resultado del esfuerzo concertado de todos los miembros de la Asociación se están viendo desafiados por la situación general que nos afecta a todos, reconocemos que cada día es mas dificil dedicar el tiempo y el dinero que se requiere para la realización de estas actividades pero también estamos convencidos de que el cariño y el entusiasmo por nuestra maravillosa afición nos continuara motivando y nos ayudara a lograr nuestro fin.

Esta comunicación es una formal invitación para hacerse miembro de la Sociedad Numismática de México y ayudarnos a apoyar los eventos que organizaremos para 2010 y de los que, la Convención Internacional de Septiembre será el evento principal.

"EN NUMISMÁTICA NO HAY EXTRANJEROS SOLO AMIGOS DE OTRAS NACIONES"

Muchas Gracias.

Rogelio Charteris Reyes, Presidente elect.

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HAL BIRT JR PASSED AWAY AUGUST 30, 2008

The numismatic hobby lost a long time international numismatist. Halden E. Birt Jr.a resident of Tucson Arizona and a prominent numismatist passed away August 30, 2008 after a long illness. Hal a native of Illinois, graduated from Southern Arizona School and subsequently from Montana State University.

Hal was a highly respected coin dealer, having maintained the Glass Shoppe Coins on Broadway Blvd in Tucson from the mid 1960s until his death. Hal had served as President of the Tucson Coin Club and was the pivotal force behind the American Numismatic Association Convention being in Tucson in 1983.



Hal in 1977, doing what he loved doing best.

Hal always maintained an interest in Mexican numismatics over the years

and encouraged numismatists to study in that area and brought many collectors into that field. According to one friend of 45 years whom Hal had converted into Mexican numismatics Hal had the uncanny knack of picking up a conversation that was concluded a year or two before.

He was a member of the American Numismatic Association, The United States and Mexico Numismatic Association and the Sociedad Numismática de México. He was the leading authority on Arizona and Sonora coins, tokens and script and had written several books, and articles on these areas. He provided expert witness consultation to governments, numismatic organizations, other dealers and collectors worldwide. Hal developed the "Die Stress Analysis" a technique to determine coin authenticity that is now regularly employed in numismatics. Hal authored an analysis of the Maximilian 20 peso gold that enabled other dealers and collectors to authenticate these coins.

I would like to add a personal note. Hal was responsible for my being involved in Mexican numismatics. In the early 1960's while stationed at Marine Corps Air Station, Yuma, AZ I went to Tucson almost every weekend as my then in laws lived there. I spent most of the day on Saturday at Hal's shop talking coins and history and Hal kept pushing me into the Maximilian Era of Mexico, challenging me to put together a type set of Maximilian coins. This I did, and it was off to the races, selling off my United States collection, as minor as it was at that time and with Hal's encouragement that interest grew to cover all aspects of Mexican numismatics and history. He will be missed, and may he rest in peace.

Hal is survived by his wife, Eva Birt; his son John Birt, his daughter Shirley Birt and his granddaughter Lori Pelow; his sisters, Beverly Knox and Cynthia Rennison, and his brother Dan Birt.



REVALIDATION HAND STAMPS ON MEXICAN CURRENCY, RESELLO (OVERSTAMPS)

BY KURT R. HARTZOG C-64

I have collected Mexican coins for many years and have recently taken an interest in the Paper Currency of Mexico and have found it to be equally fascinating. I am familiar with many of the oddities of Mexican coins yet still consider myself a novice as the different types and varieties of coins are truly overwhelming. The various banknotes are the same especially when it comes to the period of the Mexican Revolution.

What I have noticed with many collectors of Mexican banknotes is that few give attention to the many varieties within a certain series. In addition I have noticed that few collectors or dealers pay much attention to many of the various overprints, (Resello / Revalidation stamps). These are unique to the revolutionary period of Mexican history. To find a note issued by one party and revalidated for use of another party is very significant and also makes the banknote a valued historical item. In addition to the

various overprints, there are numerous other varieties that can be found especially with the revolutionary series, such as paper quality, types of paper used, (wallpaper, lined notebook paper, cardboard, tissue paper, etc.), various different signatures on the same note and of course the colors used. As many of these notes were printed by governments and armies on the move, colors and quality can and do change.

During the Mexican Revolution of 1910-1917 there were numerous issuers of coins and currency to pay the troops involved in the war and to ensure that daily commerce would continue. The banknotes were issued by states, cities, political groups or military organizations. Once the notes were in circulation many were overprinted, "Resello", by another state, town, or other group so that the note could be accepted and used in that particular geographical area of the country.

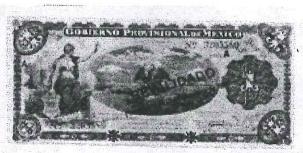
Among of the more common banknote types from the revolutionary period are those issued by Gobierno Provisional de Mexico, Mexico City, (8-701-8708) and Gobiemo Provisional De Mexico, Vera Cruz, (8-1097-8-1115). Both notes were issued by the government of Carranza and are similar in general appearance. The Mexico issued notes are usually found with the large "Revalidado Por Decreto de 17 De Diciembre De 1914." overprint on the front. The notes were circulated and accepted by other government entities who marked their acceptance by using the overprint, Resello, for their particular group. What we have then is a banknote issued by General Venustiano Carranza in Mexico City as part of the Provisional Government. The note is circulated and finds it's way to another government entity and is declared as official currency by that government when it overprints the reverse with their revalidation stamp, (Resello), such as Admon. Principal Del Timbre, Guadalajara, thus becoming a rather unique method of recycling the banknote with very little expense to the new issuer. This note could easily find it's way to another issuing entity and get another revalidation stamp making this note a very a desirable collectable today.

Another example is the banknotes issued by Tesoreria General Del Estado, Chihuahua. These revolutionary banknotes have the signature of General Francisco Villa and were intended to pay his troops. These notes were widely accepted and heavily overprinted with approximately 41 known revalidation stamps. Just think of the possible different combinations of validation stamps on a banknote.

I have had the opportunity to go through over a very large inventory of Mexican Currency at a local dealer and found very few overprints. The most common notes in the collection were the Gobiern Provisional De Mexico, Mexico and Vera Cruz. I have spoken to a dealer in Houston and he told me that he comes across an overprinted Mexican banknote about every six months or so. I did manage to get one banknote from e-bay with a resello overprint that was advertised as the host note only and the resello was not mentioned but pictured as part of the reverse. As mentioned I am a novice but I find that the various overprints, Resello are somewhat scarce and the different types affixed to the banknotes are seem unlimited. So far, most asking prices are very

reasonable as many times the asking price is for the host banknote and not the Resello. Good hunting.

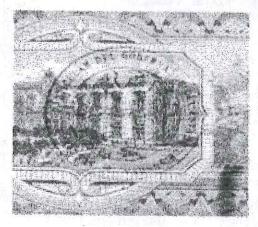
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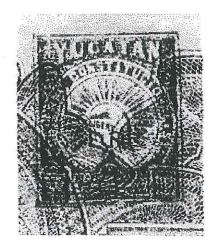




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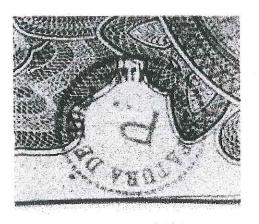
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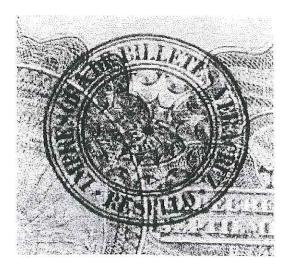




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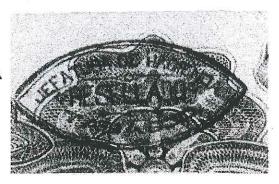
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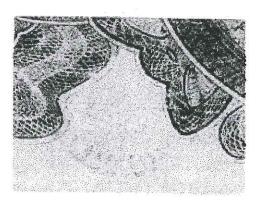




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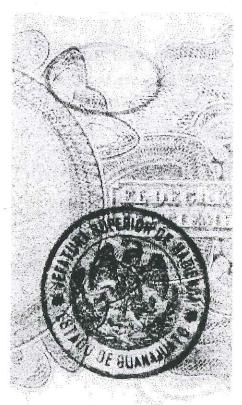




S-1104 5 PESOS VERA CRUZ OVERPRINT"JEFATURO DE HACIENDA, QUERETARO." AROUND "BUEN"

S-1104 5 PESOS VERA CRUZ "RESELLADO" OVERPRINT.





S-1108 10 PESOS VERA CRUZ DOUBLE OVERPRINT.OVAL IS "TESORERIA GRAL ESTADO DE GUANAJUATO" THE LARGER ONE IS "JEFATURA SUPERIOR DE HACIENDA ESTADO DE GUANAJUATO."

Ponterio & Associates, Inc. Public Auction# 147

Post Sale Press release

Ponterio & Associates, Inc. conducted its public auction # 147 on September 16th & 17th in Beverly Hills, California. The auction contained 1687 lots of World and United States coins and realized \$921,413.35. Highlights included:

10t#100 China Dollar ND (1914 Ma-858; Y-322 ALMOST UNCIRCULATED sold for \$1,500.00,

Lot#101 China Dollar year 10 (1921) Ma-864; K-676 light toning ALMOST UNCIRCULATED sold for \$1,450.00,

Lot#103 China Dollar year 21 (1932) "Birds Over Junk" Ma-108; Y-344 CHOICE BRILLIANT UNCIRCULATED sold for \$1,300.00.

Lot#121 China Kweichow "Auto" Dollar year 17 (1928) Ma-609; Y-428 EXTREMELY FINE sold for \$2,900.00,

Lot#130 Costa Rica 8 Reales 1831 F KM-4 VERY FINE sold for \$1,400.00,

Lot#233 Gold Coast Ackey 1796 KM-Tn7 NGC PF62 Sold for \$6,100.00,

Lot#370 Great Britain William IV 1830-1983 Crown 1831 Seaby-3833; KM-715 PROOF sold for \$10,500,

Lot#462 Guatemala 8 Reales 1831 M KM-4 VERY FINE sold for \$2,100.00,

Lot#541 Italy 20 Lire 1936 KM-81 NGC MS64 sold for \$4,500.00,

Lot#691 Poland Taler 1628 Sigismund III 1587-1632 KM-48.1 EXTREMELY FINE sold for \$5,500.00,

Lot#705 Russia Ruble 1721 Peter I 1689-1725 KM-157.5 ALMOST UNCIRCULATED sold for \$7,500.00,

Lot#708 Russia Ruble 1798-CM-MB Paull 1796-1801 C-101a UNCIRCULATED sold for \$4,750.00,

Lot#903 Hawaii Cent 1847 Med-2CC.2 UNCIRCULATED sold for \$2,500,

Lot#905 Hawaii Wailuku Plantation Token 12 Yz Cents 1871 Med-2TE-2 FINE sold for \$2,400,

Lot#927 United States 3 Dollars 1880 BRILLIANT UNCIRCULATED sold for \$5,000.00, Lot#967 United States 10 Dollars 1907 Wire edge sold for \$22,000.00, Lot#1197 Peru 2 Escudos 1698 Cuzco Mint KM-28 Ex: 1715 Plate Fleet EXTREMELY FINE \$3,600.00, Peru 8 Escudos 1736 N KM-38.2 VERY FINE sold for \$5,750.00,

Lot#1249 Mexico 8 Escudos 1763 MM KM-155 EXTREMELY FINE sold for \$9,000.00, Lot#1279 Mexico 4 Escudos 1844 Ga MC lightly polished VERY FINE sold for \$8,000.00,

and Lot#1269 Mexico 12 Onzas 1987 Pattern in gold CHOICE BRILLIANT PROOF sold for \$16,500.00.

A full list of prices realized can be viewed on their website www.ponterio.com.

Ponterio & Associates' next public auction will be held January 9th & 10th 2009 in conjunction with the New York International Numismatic Convention. Catalogs will be available from Ponterio & Associates for \$35,00 and the entire catalog will be available for viewing on their website on or before December 15th, 2008.

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MEXICAN WAR LETTER FROM JACOB J. MILLER

By the family of Lois Bailey, C-10

The following letter, written February 21, 1847 from the New Orleans Barracks was Written by my great uncle Jacob J. Miller to his brother. A photocopy of the original letter came from a cousin, Revo Decoteau in 1985, who was doing gemology and knew of Lois's interest in Mexico.

New Orleans Barracks, February 21, 1847

Dear Brother

I took the pleasure of writing you these few lines hoping to find you enjoying as good health as I am at present. I am proud to tell you that I at last got a home. I have joined Uncle Sam's Army during the war and I never more at home during my life before. There is upwards of 100 recruits here awaiting for a detachment from Pennsylvania and one from B. Rouge and then we shall make a break towards Vera Cruz. We expect the attachment from B. Rouge today. Sunday there is all sorts of fun here when you are Not on duty. I enlisted here on the 2nd of February a few days after I came down. I could have got employment with Leon as soon as I came down but my mind was made up before I left to go to Mexico so there fore I would not stayed with him He offered me \$20 per month, I only get 10 dollars a month here and 160 acres of land in any part the United States where there is public land and twelve dollars bounty, if it happens so that I do not get killed I should be in town at the expiration of the war, I write you this letter to let you know where I am and what I am a going to do for perhaps this may be the last scratsh of a pen you will ever get from me again, give my best compliment to your wife and family and particularly to the one which caused ne to be here, little did I think of ever being s soldier, but there is an old proverb which says take every thing for the best, I live in hope that it may be for the better, but it hurts me think that now is the time that I ought to be enjoying the sweets of life and I am locked up in a barracks and cannot get out unless I get a permit from the msjor, nothing more at present but a full and troubled mimd so therefore I still remain your effectinate Brother

Jacob J Miller

PS I am informed that we are about leave here on Wednesday 24 but it is uncertain. I was first told that we was to leave today if you get this letter in time I hope you will send an answer immediatly for perhaps we wont leave until the later part of the week, give my best compliments to the Harris boys you must let that old black horse go for he is not quite paid for I did not finish maddame Mongets work, if you see that old mare drive her in her old range, if I have good luck and do not get killed or if there is any hope of peace I will be up there in the course of a year, no more at present

J.J. Miller

Write soon a pofsable anyhow

The gold half escudos of Mexico.

By Mike Ontko R201

1. Introduction.

The gold half escudo of the Republic of Mexico represents a series that is varied enough to be interesting but not so expensive as the larger denominations. Research published a few years ago by Richard Long makes reviewing this nifty little coin worthwhile. We present here some of the coin's predecessors, along with examples from each mint.

2. Spanish half escudos.





Fig. 1. 1743 half escudo of Philip V, Seville mint.





Fig. 2. 1787 half escudo of Charles III, Madrid mint.

Mexico has produced gold for export since the Spanish Conquest in the 1520's. During the colonial period, 1, 2, 4 and 8 escudo coins were minted, where 1 escudo = 2 pesos. There was an extensive issue of half escudos in Spain proper during 1738-88 (Fig. 1 and Fig. 2).

3. Mexican colonial half escudos.



Fig. 3. 1814 half escudo of Ferdinand VII, Mexico City mint.

The denomination was not minted in Mexico until 1814 and even then, issues must have been small, as the type is rare today (Fig. 3). Coins dated 1814 are seen more often than those of other years

4. The Republican half escudo.



Fig. 4. 1825MoJM half escudo.

However, the tiny coin must have caught the fancy of minters in the Republic, as the denomination started with a large issue in 1825 (Fig. 4) and continued steadily until 1870. No mintages are known, but a census by Richard Long suggests that the coin is about one third as common as the big 8 escudos and about as common as the 1, 2 and 4 escudos put together.



Fig. 5. A map of Mexico about 1850, after the loss of California but prior to the Gadsden Purchase.

5. The Design.

The coin is nominally 1.69 g, .875 fine gold, about 2% less than the U.S. gold dollar of 1849-89. Unlike the gold dollar (*Fig.* 6), Long reports that counterfeits are rare. On the obverse (*Fig.* 4), a hand holding a liberty cap on





Fig. 6. United States 1853 gold dollar.

a pole points to the book of the law; the inscription reads LA LIBERTAD EN LA LEY above, ½ E, mintmark, date, assayer's initials and 21 Qs. (21 *quilates* = .875 fine) below. On the reverse, an eagle perched on a cactus clutches a snake in its talons; the inscription reads REPUBLICA MEXICANA, with an oak branch and olive branch below. The edge is obliquely reeded. The coin had the same face value as the familiar cap-and-ray eight reales (*Fig.* 7).



Fig. 7. 1851GC-MP half escudo and 1849GC-MP eight reales.

6. Other Mints.









Fig. 8. (left) 1863C-CE and (right) 1836/4DoRM half escudo.









Fig. 9. (left) 1852GaJG and (right) 1858GoPF half escudo.

Besides Mexico City, six mints issued this coin: Culiacan (Fig. 8), Durango (Fig. 8), Guadalajara (Fig. 9), Guanajuato (Fig. 9), Guadalupe y Calvo (Fig. 10) and Zacatecas (Fig. 10). Mexico City issues are abundant, Culiacan, Durango and Guanajuato are available and Guadalajara, Guadalupe y Calvo and Zacatecas are scarce. No mintage records have been published. No mint is rare, though many of the 96 date-mintmark-assayer combinations are very rare.

7. Reverse Varieties.









Fig. 10. (left) 1862ZsVL and (right) 1851GC-MP half escudo.

There are no subtypes, though Culiacan (Fig. 8) and Guadalupe y Calvo (Fig. 10) used the Sonoran eagle reverse and Durango used the French eagle reverse during 1833-55 (Fig. 9). To the author's taste, both these branch mint eagles are handsomer than the rather scrawny bird used at the other mints.



Fig. 11. 1852GaJG half escudo (obverse enlarged 4x).

Weak strikes, die breaks and overdates are common (Fig. 11). Many spe-cimens are damaged from use in jewelry.





Fig. 14. 1902MoM gold peso.

Unlike the gold peso of 1870-1905 (Fig. 14), half escudos were not hoarded, so gems are rare even for otherwise common issues.

8. Issues from other countries.









Fig. 13. Peru 1840LM half escudo, Bolivia 1846 half escudo.

Lima, Peru, was the only other mint to issue half escudos during the colonial period. Peru, Bolivia and Central America issued half escudos after independence (Fig. 13, 14). The Colombian coin is an 1827 peso oro from Bogota but is the same size and weight as a ½ escudo (Fig. 13). All of these are much scarcer than Mexican issues.





Fig. 14. Central American Republic 1825NG half escudo, Colombia 1827 gold peso.

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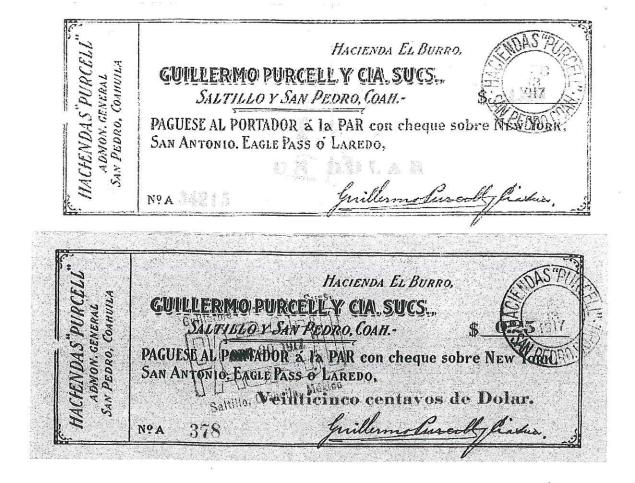
Fig. 5: from the David Rumsey Historical Map collection.

RECENTLY DISCOVERED MULTILINGUAL NOTES PAYABLE IN NEW YORK. SAN ANTONIO, EAGLE PASS And LAREDO

By Elmer Powell R-438

Near the end of the Mexican Revolution in early 1917 (when Mexican paper money was considered worthless) private issue notes were issued in Saltillo and San Pedro, Coahuila by Hacienda EI Burro, payable in denominations of 25c, 50c and \$1.00 U.S. The notes were payable by company check (in U.S. currency) on U.S. banks in NEW YORK, SAN ANTONIO, EAGLE PASS and LAREDO. The owner of Hacienda EI Burro was Guillermo Purcell an Irish immigrant who became one of the most influential and richest patrons in Coahuila, Mexico. Purcell held interest in multiple haciendas, textile mills, mining, railroads and merchandising. On the reverse of each note is a Mexican tax revenue stamp reflecting authorization of issue, and a Guillermo Purcell Y Cia. Sucs. stamp reflecting payment and cancellation.

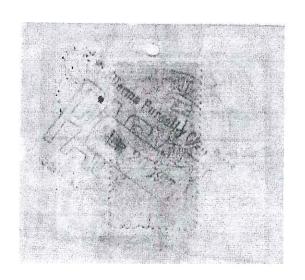
These Private Issue notes are not yet cataloged but provide a unique reflection of the times as they are issued in Mexico but payable in U.S. cities in U.S. dollars. Who would have thought that in 1917 EAGLE PASS, SAN ANTONIO, and LAREDO would be held on equal footing with NEW YORK- cities where it is assumed that the Purcell Co. had branch offices?



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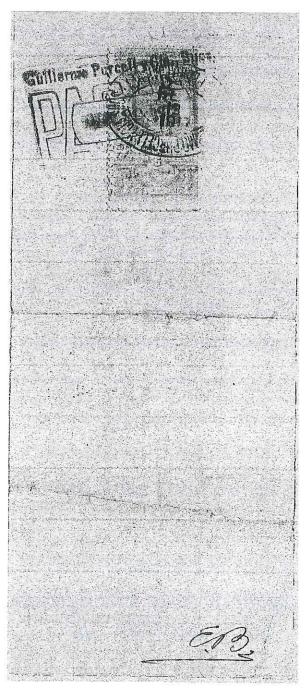
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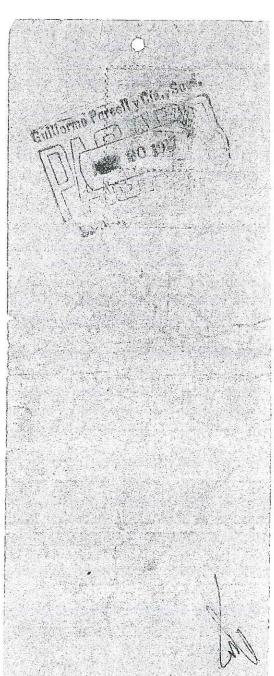


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Information Wanted: Four people have responded to my request for information on the Sevilla-Villa medal, as described by Joe Flores. Very limited results suggest the number of copper strikes and plain edge silver strikes have doubled (two of each). Results will be presented in a future article in the Journal. Information that can be connected to you will remain confidential. David Hughes geogen20088@att.net

INFORMATION WANTED: Any information on the 1915 1 Peso from Conception del Oro, Zacatecas, is requested by Joe Flores at pepef44@sbcglobal.net. Very little is known about this rather mysterious issue, but it is believed to be a legitimate, although x-rare, Revolutionary coin. Information gathered for Joe by David Hughes reveals that Eulalio Gutierrez, the rather powerless President by the Convention in Aguascalientes (1914), installed (and under the thumb) in Mexico City by the forces of Villa and Zapata in late 1914-early 1915, grew up in and was a miner and blaster in Conception del Oro. He commanded a small force, not more than 200 members, that became known for its work in explosives, especially in blowing up trains. This suggests a possible connection between the Convencionalist President and the coinage.

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