



MEXICAN OIK NEWS

VOLUME 1

No. 7

1967

PRICE 50¢

JANUARY 1967

Mexican Coin News

CONTENTS

VOLUME 1	JANUARY 1967	NO. 7
Small World -----		2
Advertising Rates -----		3
Star & Key Club -----		4
Coins of Mexico Manufactured by U. S. Mints -----		6
Dean's Den -----		8
A Woman's Slant -----		10
Paper Money of the Mexican Revolution -----		12
News from the World of Coins -----		14
National Coin Week Theme -----		15
Portraits on Mexican Coins -----		19
Advertisers Directory -----		21
Classified -----		22
Editorial -----		24

H. R. Vrooman ----- Editor
 Margarito C. Garza ---- Spanish Editor
 Richard Vrooman ----- Production Manager
 Herb Hanusch ----- Advertising Manager
 Jay Davidson ----- Photographer
 Sandra Page ----- Circulation Manager

MEXICAN COIN NEWS is published monthly at 915 Leopard St. Corpus Christi, Texas. Mailing address: P. O. Box 1648, Corpus Christi, Texas 78403.

Second Class postage paid at Corpus Christi, Texas.

Subscription rates are \$3.00 for one year, \$5.00 for two years in U.S.A. Foreign rates are \$4.00 per year.

Copyright 1967 by Gulf Coast Printing Co., Publishers. All rights reserved.

Printed in U.S.A. by Gulf Coast Printing Co. 915 Leopard St. Corpus Christi, Texas

IT'S A

By Gladys Robbins

SMALL WORLD

Numismatically

A lovely card, "Feliz Navidad y Prospero Ano Nuevo" came from Jim McKinnis, a Peace Corps Volunteer, teaching in Tupiza, Bolivia. Jim wrote: "Thank you so much for the copy of Mexican Coin News and the coin catalogues you sent me last month. They have proved interesting and helpful. The coins that I bought seem to be worth the price. But I shall be careful in the future. See you for the next holiday season, Jim." Jim and another volunteer will have a month's holiday early in 1967 and plan to visit Brazil, Uruguay, The Argentine, Chile and Peru. He became interested in collecting coins to bring back with him after he has served his term in the Peace Corps when he visited in our home last June. Jim had been flown home for the funeral of his father, and had about 2 weeks in the States at that time. He is a graduate of University of Texas and plans to return to school for post-graduate courses in South American Political History, his major interest.

Among the many Christmas cards received this year was one from a coin pen-pal who had first written this summer when he saw my name listed as a "Topical Coin Collector". He enclosed a ship token, hoping I could use it in my ship collection. His name: Robert L. Dixon, 429 Crestmont, S.E., Canton 7, Ohio 44707. He collects ship coins, stamps and post cards and will be glad to answer any letters he receives from folks with similar interests.

(Con't page 3)

COLLECTING UNUSUAL MEXICAN? Our list always features colonial, state copper, decimal silver, scarcer reales, type material, revolutionary and currency. **FREE.** RoMex, Box 8017, Prairie Village, Kansas 66208.

HARVEY BRUNS

Specializing in Coins of Mexico and Guatemala

Also Have United States Coins

WANT LISTS INVITED

COINS ON APPROVAL

SATISFACTION FULLY GUARANTEED

Phone Area Code 512 JUstice 5-2247
Write P. O. Box 93, Mission, Texas

A.N.A.

Life member

T.N.A.

Life member

Mexican Coin News

Published monthly by

Gulf Coast Printing Co.

915 Leopard St., Corpus Christi, Texas 78401

ADVERTISING INFORMATION

New advertisers must furnish reference. No advertising accepted from Minors agency discounts.

Forms close 15th of month preceding month of issue.

All rates listed below are for cash with each advertisement, without exception.

ADVERTISING RATES— PER INSERTION

	1 Time	6 Times	12 Times
Full page ...	\$40.00	\$37.50	\$35.00
2/3 page ...	28.00	26.00	24.00
1/2 page ...	22.00	20.00	18.00
1/3 page ...	14.50	12.50	10.50
1/4 page ...	10.75	9.50	8.50
1/6 page ...	7.75	6.75	5.75

Advertisements on the directory page are limited to business card type of copy. Rates are \$5.00 per issue, minimum of three issues. 6 issues for \$27.50. 12 issues for \$50.00.

Classified advertising will be available in the August issue and thereafter each month.

Classified rates are 7c per word, approximately 5 words per line, 7 lines to the column inch. Three insertions of same adv. 6c per word. Minimum charge \$2.00.

Contract advertisers must furnish change of copy by closing date or previous copy will be run.

Advertisements appearing in the Mexican Coin News are accepted in good faith, but are not guaranteed. The right to edit or reject advertising copy is reserved.

The publishers liability for error in an advertisement shall not exceed the cost of space occupied by the error, in proportion to the cost of the full advertisement. No liability shall be assumed for long hand copy.

Advertisers are expected to refund the full purchase price of any unsatisfactory items ordered by the readers, provided the buyer returns the merchandise within three days after receipt of shipment.

MECHANICAL REQUIREMENTS

All cuts must be furnished by advertiser. Halftones any screen. No mats or stereo-types accepted. Pictures will be accepted for advertisements on the following terms: Halftones \$2.00 each, Line \$1.00 each. Ask for special rates on color reproduction. Ask about rates for special reproductions of coins and currency for advertising purposes only.

Smallest type used will be six point. Display ads. will be set in proportion to the space ordered. There will be an extra charge for extra heavy composition.

Gulf Coast Printing Co.

SMALL WORLD (con't)

Topical Coin collecting is one of the very interesting phases of our hobby. I am proud to be a charter member of the Topical Coin Collector's Association which was organized by George Rony last year. Mr. Rony writes a column, "Coinflakes" in the **Coinage Magazine**. Mr. Dixon's correspondence is one of the nice by-products of belonging to the Association.

Another coin-friend incident which happened last month: Ike and Maxine Eisenbach were friends of ours when they were stationed at Naval Air Station here. We enjoyed trading coins, attending coin meetings and shows together. Ike is now on sea duty, Maxine teaching school in Hawaii. They met in Hong Kong in October for 10 days and sent me 5 yards of the most beautiful red brocade satin from there. Ike wrote and sent a Christmas Card from Tai Wan, Maxine wrote and sent a Christmas card from Hawaii. Ike reports there are plenty of half dollars at the post exchanges in that part of the world. Maxine is finding a number of war nickels in fine and better condition in Hawaii. It's a small world, numismatically.

Please Mention

MEXICAN COIN NEWS

When Answering

Advertisements

Introducing

The Star & Key Club

DEDICATED TO CUBAN NUMISMATICS



To the readers of
Mexican Coin News:

Mr. A. A. Johnson of Houston, Texas has been instrumental in organizing the Star & Key club devoted to Numismatica de Cuba.

Our congratulations to Mr. Johnson and the members of the Star & Key club. As Cuban Numismatics is a second cousin to Mexican Numismatics, we believe there are many people that are interested in both.

Mr. Johnson writes the following synopsis on the formation of the Star & Key Club. "Several years ago I traded for a sack of coins and it contained an 1897 Type II Souvenir peso of Cuba. I thought it was the most beautiful coin I had ever seen. I was so fond of it my wife named it "Baby Doll" and accused me of having a love affair with the coin. This led me to pick up a few more crown or pesos of Cuba and soon I was buying the gold and minor coins trying to obtain a set. At that time no one was particularly interested in foreign of any kind and I had a ball going through "Junk Boxes" and getting the

Cuban coins at very low prices. Although I had many Cuban coins, I found that I wasn't getting very many nice specimens. I located one of Prof. Lisemore's first editions of "The Coinage of Cuba" and found that I had not obtained any of the key coins in the minors and only had two 1939 ABC pesos. This is when I realized that this country was a tough one and a real challenge.

I, at one time, had about 30 star pesos and ran an ad in Coin World offering them for sale. This led to correspondence with several collectors.

About a year ago I wrote six letters to known collectors, asking them what they thought of a club by mail. I was met with enthusiasm and we have grown, without the help of advertising to any great extent, to a good solid fifty collectors. Most of these are serious collectors of Cuban and some of them have been collecting for many years.

The Constitution of "The Star & Key Club" was recently mailed out to the members and we will be a full fledged club with officers, by January 1st, 1967.

There have been no dues or fees attached to our club and all expenses for a full year have been met by contributions. We have published thirteen issues of "The Cuban Numismatist", a mimeographed sheet. The content of this newsletter has been in the form of numismatic items submitted by the members. We have been very fortunate to have articles by Roberto Pesant, Thomas Lismore, Ray Byrne and many other serious numismatists.

(Con't page 16)



BILL JOHNS
ANA 27049
TNA No. 8

SPECIALIZING
IN THE
COINS
OF
MEXICO



CHRIS JOHNS
ANA 27520
TNA No. 18

SPECIAL
1966 MEXICAN MINT SET

BU 5 COINS — 1 Peso, 20c, 10c, 5c, 1c

POLY SEALED — AIR TIGHT

\$1.00 PER SET
POSTPAID IN U.S.

1950 5 Centavos Type 5 BU \$3.00 each	1905-1914 10 Centavos Type 1 BU \$5.00 each Dates of our choice
1955 20 Centavos Type 6 BU \$4.75 each	1905-1918 50 Centavos Type 1 XF \$1.25 each Dates of our choice
1946 10 Centavos Type 5 BU \$1.25 each	1946 5 Centavos Type 4 BU .50 each
1920-1945 1 Peso Type 3 BU \$1.00 each Dates of our choice	1 Peso Type 4 Morelos 1947 BU, each .75 1948 BU, each 1.00
1965 1 Peso Type 7 BU .25c each	1915 2 Centavos Type 2 Zapatista Choice XF \$4.50 each

All orders over \$5.00 postpaid in the N. S. Orders under \$5.00 please add 25c to your order. Texas residents include your 2% sales tax. Please mention MEXICAN COIN NEWS when ordering.

FREE PRICE LIST ON REQUEST

BILL & CHRIS JOHNS

1412 WESTHEIMER

HOUSTON, TEXAS 77006

Phone 713 — JA 3-2878

Coins of Mexico

MANUFACTURED by

UNITED STATES MINTS

By DR. WILLIAM INGRAM

American Numismatic Association

It may be surprising to many Nationals of both the United States and the Estados Unidos Mexicanos that 91,076,840 coins of Mexico have been manufactured in U. S. mints(1). Mints that struck coins for Mexico were: Philadelphia, Pennsylvania; Denver, Colorado; San Francisco, California; and New Orleans, Louisiana.

United States mints first were permitted to strike coins for foreign governments through an authorizing act in 1874 by the Congress of the U. S. became effective on January 29th, "Provided that the manufacture of such coins shall not interfere with the required coinage of the United States." The first coins struck for the Government of Mexico were in 1906, and the last in 1949.

Before discussing Mexican coinage manufactured here, it should be of interest to the general coin collector that "our mints" actually did not strike coins for other countries that bore dates earlier than 1876 (Venezuela). Of interest also is that through 1963 — 7,087,875,597 coins were manufactured for thirty-seven countries. (1)(2).

All Mexican coins minted in the United States bear the mint mark of the Mexico City Mint. None through any identifiable mint mark can be associated with any one of the U. S. mints where they were struck. The first year

Sociedad Numismatica de Mexico

of manufacture of Mexican coins was in 1906 when the following were struck:

- (1) 10 Pesos gold—Hidalgo
(Philadelphia)1,000,000
- (2) 5 Pesos gold—Hidalgo
(Philadelphia)4,000,000
- (3) 50 Centavos—
(San Francisco)5,000,000

In 1907 the following United States mints again went to work for the Government of Mexico in producing the following coins:

- (1) 50 Centavos
(San Francisco)7,442,000
- (2) 50 Centavos
(Denver)6,119,291
- (3) 20 Centavos
(New Orleans)5,434,699

The 20 centavos of 1907 should be of great interest to the collector of minor Mexican silver pieces, for it is the only foreign coin that was ever struck at the New Orleans, Louisiana mint. Such a "historical rarity" should make this 20 centavos 1907 an oddity to especially be sought after by collectors! However, in the rarity area (other than historical) this coin would hardly qualify in reality, for some 9,434,699 bearing identical markings were struck

(Con't page 11)

MEXICAN 1966 COINS

1966 SET BU DUPLIMINT SEALED

1c, 5c, 10c, 20c, \$1.00

Single Sets	.....	\$1.00		
2 Sets	.....	\$1.60	6 Sets	..... \$4.35
4 Sets	.....	3.00	10 Sets	..... 6.90

SETS — 1965 & 1966 — MEXICAN COINS BU DUPLIMINT SEALED AND IN BULK

1965 \$1.00 EACH			1966 \$1.00 EACH		
1c, 5c, 20c, 50c, \$1.00			1c, 5c, 10c, 20c, \$1.00		
	SETS	BULK		SETS	BULK
2	1.70	....		1.60	....
4	3.15	....		3.00	....
6	4.45	....		4.35	....
10	7.20	6.00		6.90	5.80
15	10.50	....		10.00	....
20	13.50	....		13.00	....
25	15.00	14.00		14.75	13.50
50	28.00	26.00		27.00	24.00
100	46.00	44.00		45.00	38.50

1966 BU COINS IN BULK

	1c	5c	10c	20c	\$1.00
20 PIECES	1.00	.55	1.50	1.50	5.00
50 PIECES	2.25	1.00	3.50	2.75	12.00
100 PIECES	4.25	1.75	7.00	5.50	20.00
500 PIECES	20.00	6.50	32.00	24.00	80.00
1000 PIECES	38.00	12.00	58.00	45.00	150.00

All above coins prepaid except Canada shipments add 50c postage.

Texas Residents add 2% Sales Tax.

MEXICOINS

P. O. Box 52777-M

Houston, Texas 77052

DOMESTIC AND FOREIGN COINS MANUFACTURED BY MINTS OF THE UNITED STATES, 1792-1965

By the Office of
Director of the Mint

Fully detailed minting statistics for all coins struck by the United States mints, both domestic and Foreign, are provided in this interesting 120-page volume. The statistics begin with the founding of the first minting institution in 1792, and follow down through the calendar year of 1965.

The tables provided relate the statistics in several methods: by years, mints, values, metallic compositions, and such. Of particular interest are tables C50 through C62, which on a month by

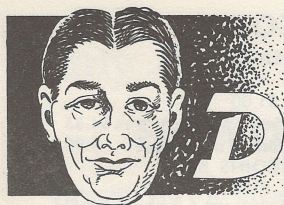
Please Mention

MEXICAN COIN NEWS

When Answering

Advertisements

month basis break out by mints and denominations the coins struck bearing the dates 1964 and 1965. These latter statistics are complete from January of 1964 through July of 1965. Priced at 40 cents, this volume may be purchased from the Superintendent of Documents, U. S. Government Printing Office, Washington, D.C. 20402.



From

Dean's Den

By MARGARITO C. GARZA

Feliz ano nuevo—it is. Happy New Year. Of course, as I write the column it is still December and we are about to celebrate the “Navidad.” The tree is up, the spirits run high. Mental spirits, friend, not the bottled kind.

I feel a twinge and a yearning to do some coin collecting the old American way. Sorting thru coins, that is. Pero no hay tiempo. (But there is no time.) I read in the paper that many of the silver coins that were being hoarded are being put back into circulation. Se puso duro el tiempo (they got hard, the times). People are buying regalos (gifts) and spending on things they really need.

Incidentally, I translate into English word for word, so if the English translation sounds awkward you make up the prose. I do this so you know exactly what you have said. Entiende? Understand, I hope.

Mis esperanzas son que ustedes tengan un feliz ano en 1967! (My hopes are that you have a happy year in 1967). Que se encuentren muchas monedas para completar sus libros. (That you find many coins to complete your books.)

Tambien que compren Mexican Coin News cada mes. (Also that you buy Mexican Coin News every month.) Pero mas que todo, que esten todos en buen salud. (But more above all, that you all be in good health.)

The thought crosses my mind that if all South Texans, and even North Texans, learned to speak Spanish what a better world this would be to live in. All fears would be erased because no one would fear that someone was speaking about them behind their backs. Everyone would know what everyone was saying. Unless someone started speaking French or Greek. But then we wouldn't have to worry too often.

Give it a thought. Most colleges offer Spanish courses at night. (I know this is way off Coins, but what the heck.) They are cheap and you feel better, being able to carry on conversations in another language.

And when you deal with Mexican Coin Dealers you'd be in on every detail, even when he secrets with Mama about the price.

I pray you had a happy holiday season.

Tenga fe, que Dios ayuda a los que se ayudan.

Have faith, God helps those who help themselves.

But never, under any circumstances, if you help yourself to something that isn't rightfully yours.

Adios.

COINS AND CURRENCY

G & R Coins

Mexico and Other Foreign Countries

P. O. Box 516 — Elkhart, Indiana 46514

George P. Griffin

Daniel R. Rohrer

Member: ANA — ISNA

Types ONE CENTAVOS

5 1965-64-63, ea. bu	.....\$ .10
5 1962, ea. bu	..... .20
5 1959, ea. bu	..... .25
5 1951-52-53-54, ea. bu	... .35

TWO CENTAVOS

2 1915, ea. xf 4.50
----------------	------------

FIVE CENTAVOS

6 1965-64-63, ea. bu	..... .10
6 1962, ea. bu	..... .20
4 1944, ea. bu	..... .70

TEN CENTAVOS

6 1959, ea. unc	..... .25
4 1934, ea. unc	..... 1.35
4 1933, ea. unc	..... 1.35
4 1930, ea. unc	..... 3.00

TWENTY CENTAVOS

7 1965-64-63, ea. bu	..... .15
7 1960, ea. bu	..... .25
7 1956, ea. bu	..... .95
4 1942, ea. unc	..... 1.00

TWENTY-FIVE CENTAVOS

2 1964, ea. unc	..... .20
1 1950-51-52-53 unc. ea.	... .30

FIFTY CENTAVOS

7 1965-64, unc. ea.	..... .20
6 1959, bu ea.	..... .70
3 1945-44-43, unc. ea.	.... .95

Types ONE PESO

7 1965-64-63 unc. ea.	....\$ .25
7 1962 unc. ea.	..... .45
4 1948-47 unc. ea.	..... .90

FIVE PESO

1 1948 unc. ea. 1.70
-----------------	------------

TEN PESO

5 1965 unc. ea. 1.90
-----------------	------------

B.U. ROLLS

1c 1965	.....\$1.50
1c 1964	..... 1.50
1c 1963	..... 1.70
5c 1965	..... .50
5c 1964	..... .50
5c 1963	..... .50
10c 1959	.....\$3.00
20c 1965-64-63	..... 1.00
20c 1960	..... 1.50
25c 1964	..... 4.00
50c 1964-65	..... 3.00
1-Peso 1965	..... 5.50
1-peso 1962	..... 8.00

MEXICO MINT SETS

1965	.....\$1.00
1964	..... 1.00
1963	..... 1.00
1962	..... 1.25

All Orders over \$5.00 sent postpaid in the U.S.

If your order is less than \$5.00 please add 25c for postage and handling.

Indiana Residents please add your 2% sales tax.

A Womaus Slant on Coins

By Gladys Robbins

Coins are acquired in many interesting ways. For instance, Martha Park is a member of the Commission of Missions at St. Luke's Methodist Church in Corpus Christi. As a member of the Commission, she was the hostess to Miss Eunice Zambrana, Director of Nursing, Methodist Evangelical School of Nursing, La Paz, Bolivia. Miss Zambrana, along with a number of other South American nurses had been touring the United States on a good will trip. As St. Luke was the church that supports her work in La Paz, she spent some time in Corpus Christi, and it was a real pleasure for Martha to have her in her home for the entire visit.

When she returned to Bolivia, she sent Martha a number of sets of the new Bolivia coins that had just been put into circulation. The sets consisted of 1c, 5c, 20c and 50c, dated 1965. Martha, naturally, read everything that was printed about these coins. The first report came out in **World Coins** (July, 1966), and the 50 centavos and 20 centavos were listed as being made of cupro-nickel, the 10 and 5 centavos of copper-coated steel. This was corrected in the October **World Coins**, the 50 and 20 centavos being nickel-clad steel. Coins had not been minted in Bolivia since 1951 prior to this issue which was released April, 1966.

Paper money had replaced coins for the most part. Twenty or thirty years ago, for one American dollar a tourist would receive 43 paper Boliviano—worth $2\frac{1}{2}$ c American. To make change, the usual method was to tear the bill in two.

The new coins bear the official coat-of-arms of Bolivia on the obverse and inscription, Republica De Bolivia. Bolivia is known as

the land of the sun. Their emblem pictures mountains, a palm tree, a llama, a sheath of wheat with the sun overhead.

She checked books out of the Library, to learn more about these coins that had come her way. La Paz, she found, is the highest capital city in the world, 12,000 feet elevation, near the Titicaca Lake, the world's highest navigable water. Llamas in herds, are driven through the streets with large packs on their backs.

These few coins, bearing the same coat of arms as coins minted as early as 1893 and similar to coins of the Republic, 1826—have captured the interest of Martha, a coin collector. Will this interest lead her to a new phase of her hobby? She will find that Bolivia has had a colorful history, with many rulers before it became a Republic. It has been said that Revolution has been a national hobby. The history of a country is reflected in her coinage. Good luck, Martha! and thank you for the set of Bolivia coins you let me have.

COINS OF MEXICO (con't)

There are, however, two varieties (which one is commonest is questionable). One type has a straight seven and the other type has a curved seven (3).

In 1935 fifty-centavos coins were struck at the Philadelphia (25,000,000), Denver (17,000,850) and San Francisco (18,000,000) mints. Since all the coins bear the Casa De Moneda mint mark, there is no way to distinguish which ones were struck at the 3 U. S. mints. During the 1935 year 10,809,150 coins (that are inseparable from the U. S. ones) were manufactured in Mexico City, bringing the grand total of the 1935 fifty centavos coinage to 70,800,000 pieces.

The last coin struck for the Government of Mexico was in 1949. This was Un Peso consisting of .9027 silver and .0973 copper. It is a definite RESTRIKE, for it is dated 1898 oM (AM) which in 1898 was originally struck in Mexico. Two million (2,000,000) of these were manufactured in 1949 in the United States only at the San Francisco mint in California. (Based on official U. S. Treasury Reports(1)). Also, personal correspondence of August 16, 1966 from Eva Adams, Director of the Mint, U. S. Treasury Department to the writer confirms this fact.

Certain writers believe a difference can be detected between the originals of 1898 oM (AM) struck on this date and our RESTRIKES of 1949, because of a difference in the number of denticles (small lumps), around the border of the "surface" at its

union with the "edge". However, such claims are apparently to be substantiated, since writers on Mexican coins have not agreed through their published works. In this writer's opinion the 1898 oM (AM) RESTRIKES can be separated from the original Mexican 1898 oM (AM) struck coins because the U. S. manufactured coins have a very sharp "rim" (that one can even be cut on), while the Mexican pieces lack this knife-like "rim". (?Quien Sabe?)

The diplomacy that was in the background for "setting up" the RESTRIKE of 1898 oM (AM) Un Peso is obscure to this writer. However, it apparently involved our delivery of these pieces to Mexico who in turn were to supply them to the Republic of China (now geographically "housed" on Taiwan, formerly called Formosa). Theoretically 1898 oM (AM) RESTRIKES were also simultaneously struck by the Casa de Moneda (3). In a recent book a total of 10,156,000 pieces of this Un Peso from the Mexico City Mint are listed; whether or not the U. S. RESTRIKES of 1949 are included is not stated(3). (Con't page 18)

Please Mention

MEXICAN COIN NEWS

When Answering

Advertisements

Paper Money

of the

MEXICAN REVOLUTION

By RICHARD A. LONG

Now that we have covered a little of the historical background of the period of the Revolution, let's start discussing the bills issued during that period. You will recall that in 1913 the treacherous Gral. Victoriano Huerta had Madero murdered and then replaced him as President, and we stated in our last article that this was the point at which the Revolution really burst forth. Fighting intensified in many areas, and the Primer Jefe (First Chief) of the Constitutionalist Army, Venustiano Carranza, came out with the first of many issues of fiat (unbacked) bills that would be used by various factions in the next few years to finance military operations.

The Monclova bills, as they are called, were issued at Monclova, Coahuila, on May 28, 1913, under a decree of April 26, 1913. They were not backed by any reserves, so were completely fiat, but Carranza looked like a better risk

than Huerta at the time, so the bills were readily accepted by the populace. Denominations were \$1, \$5, \$10, \$20, \$50, and \$100, all of the same rather simple black-on-white design. The \$5 denomination is illustrated here—there are varieties in color of serial number, colors of signatures, and there are hand and stamped signatures, although the same two signatures appear on all the bills. Counterfeiting of the series began very soon after its issue, and soon it was difficult to tell which were the real ones, so they all circulated together.

A study of the bills reveals an unusual serial numbering system that allows us to estimate the number of bills issued. As shown in the table, each denomination bears a different series letter, and the serial numbers of each higher denomination begin where those of the next lower denomination end. For instance, all the \$1 bills studied bear series letter



A and serial numbers less than 1 million; all of the \$5 bills studied bear series letter B and serial numbers between 1 million and 1.2 million, and so on. The \$1 bills must actually run from 1 to either number 999,999 or 1 million and accordingly the \$5 bills must begin with either number 1 million or 1,000,001, and so on up the series. We would be glad to hear from anyone having one of these marginal bills in any denomination so we can place the exact numerals in the table, but these bills have probably been destroyed with the millions of others that were burned years ago. At any rate, you can see the major points—Carranza made himself a multimillionaire overnight, and we have a good idea of the number of each bill originally issued.

The second table compares the listings given for the Monclova bills in the two major catalogs, Gaytan-Utberg "The Paper Money of Mexico, 1822-1964" (1963), and the recent "Billetes de Mexico" of Gaytan (1965). As you see, the newer catalog lists the variety that has a spelling error, VEINTE rather than the correct VIENTE in the margin. This bill is scarce and is very popular with collectors in Mexico, but it is consid-

ered by many to be just one of the varieties of counterfeits, so most collectors in the U.S. ignore it.

In the table the 1965 Gaytan listings are converted from values given in Mexican Pesos, thus the unusual values such as 16c and 32c. Bills sell a little lower in Mexico, and Gaytan catalogs them in a lower condition, so we can say that in general the values given in the two catalogs agree rather well, and they give us a good idea of the price structure of the series. We agree in general with the values—the CU bills of the series are rather scarce and they should bring significantly higher prices than circulated pieces. However, we would place a higher retail value on the 1963 estimate of the \$10 and \$20 denominations in CU condition; today they will bring several dollars each because they seldom turn up, and then only as single pieces.

Thus we end our analysis of the first bills of the Revolution, Carranza's first issue at Monclova in the state of Coahuila. Your comments are invited on this and succeeding articles as we continue to study the bills of the Revolution in each issue of Mexican Coin News. (Chart page 24)





Clubs · Shows · People · Events **COINS**

NEW SLATE OF OFFICERS TO BEGIN DUTIES JANUARY 1 AT LIBERTY COIN CLUB, CORPUS CHRISTI

Clarence Davis, President; C. H. Roebuck, First Vice President; Gladys Robbins, Second Vice President and Corresponding Secretary; Ouida Buckner, Treasurer; Rubye Crowley, Secretary. The first program of the year will be held January 10th with the club's five past presidents giving a program on the progress of the club from its beginning. Louis Palacious, Bob Bridges, Clarence Davis, James Meadows, Edward Kane are the five presidents who will receive beautiful "Past President Medals" at the meeting.

MEXICO 1968 COINS FOR OLYMPIC GAMES PROPOSED

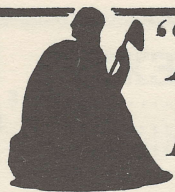
Mexican Numismatic Society (Sociedad Numismatica de Mexico) formally proposed to the Mexican government a commemorative issue of three coins to celebrate the 19th Olympic Games slated for Mexico City in 1968, it was reported recently. Three pieces are suggested: The first a 10-Peso Silver (Crown), the second, a four-metal alloy one-Peso Coin, the third, a brass 20-centavo piece. A decision on procedure is expected by mid-1967.

MEXICAN SENATE APPROVES 25 PESOS SILVER COMM.

On Wednesday, December 21, the Mexican Senate approved the striking of 10,000,000 25 Pesos Silver comm.; the occasion: the 1968 Olympics to be held in Mexico City. The coins will be 38 mm. in diameter, weight is 22½ grams, fineness .720. Thus the coins will contain 16 grams of pure silver. The obverse will be the same as on the 5 Pesos, series of 1951-1953; the reverse shows a football player, above the player the legend: Juegos de la Olimpiada 1968, Mexico 1968 and below the figure of the football player there will be the emblem of the Olympics, the 5 rings. (Note: The 25 Pesos will be smaller in size and in weight than the 5 Pesos, 1951-1953 which are of the same fineness but weigh 27.777 grams and have a diameter of 40 mm.)

In 1952 Finland issued a 500-Markkaa in silver to commemorate the Olympic Games.

Japanese 100-Yen coins commemorating the 1964 Olympic Games in Tokyo were struck at Osaka Mint in 80 million copies. One hundred yen equals 27.8 cents U.S.



"Numismatics, Portrait of History"

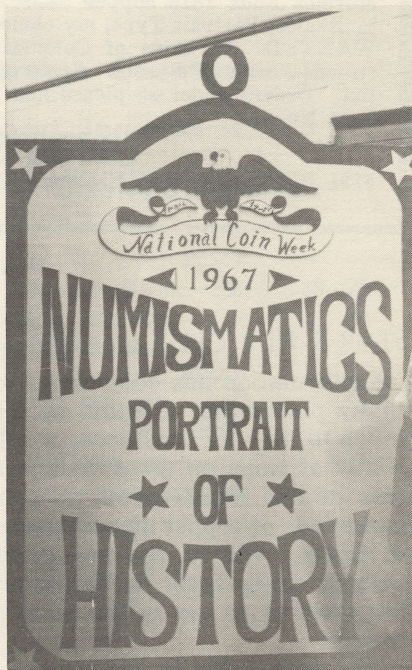
Zero hour and D-day for the start of operation National Coin Week is January 1, 1967. If you are thinking about competing for one of the American Numismatic Awards, you will accrue points for your activities on and after that date.

Individual members, junior and senior, of the Association who are interested in participating in National Coin Week should write immediately for information. This will include an official "Activity Report Form" so that they may inform the A.N.A. of their accomplishments.

Activities that will earn points for individual or clubs are numismatic talks, exhibits, publicity about your club, NCW, coin collecting or any phase of numismatics which are published in local newspapers, coin periodicals, or are used on radio or T.V.

Enlisting new members for A.N.A., other numismatic organizations also count points. Many opportunities for initiative in "special" activities give added interest to the competition such as books to libraries, etc.

During the next few months, climaxing April 22-29, the date of National Coin Week, more people will be doing more to promote numismatics on the local level, improve the image of coin collectors in the public eyes and deepen their own understanding of the hobby than ever before. There was a gain last year as 88



clubs and individuals participated, as compared to 69 the year before. An even greater gain is expected this year as a change in rules has made it easier for more clubs to participate.

Liberty Coin Club, Corpus Christi, First Place winners last year in Class B is competing again this year. They urge other clubs to enter for the benefit that can be derived from the effort.

Write for details to
1967 N.C.W. Co-Chairmen
Sgt. Rick and Virginia Bronson
P. O. Box 241
Grandview, Mo. 64030

CHOICE COINS OF MEXICO

5 Peso Type 1 1948 (Y-54) BU	\$ 1.60
5 Peso Type 2 1950 Railroad (Y-66) Choice BU	11.00
5 Pesos Type 3 1953 Ano Hidalgo (Y-68) BU	2.25
10 Pesos Type 1 1955 (Y-74) Choice BU	2.50
10 Pesos Type 2 1957 Juarez (Y-77) AU	9.00
1 Peso Liberty Cap, my choice (Y-20), XF-AU	2.25
Morelos Suds 1813 copper	3.50
½ Reales, Portrait Type, my choice, VG-F	1.50
WANTED: All coins of Colonial Mexico, scarce date 8 Reales, world crowns—coins of Russia. State quantity and price. Free monthly price list. Orders under \$5 please add 25c postage. Best of luck to Mexican Coin News.	

CHET'S COINS

5101 BUFFALO SPEEDWAY, Apt. 2 HOUSTON, TEXAS 77005

STAR & KEY CLUB (con't) Helpful information has come from so many places that it would be too much to list. For instance: a collector of ships on coins writes in that he has found a 1943 un centavo made of copper nickel instead of brass. We do not run a for sale or trade sheet in the paper but most of us are in the market to buy.

The enthusiasm is unbelievable. Once on a Cuban bing, I believe a collector will become an addict."

Anyone interested in Cuban Numismatics, please write to A. A. Johnson, P. O. Box 13094, Houston, Texas 77019. (Ed. note: Information on Cuban Numismatics may be obtained from the following sources. 1. "The Coinage of Cuba" by Thomas Lismore. Information on the quantity and quality of the coinage of Cuba is well written by Mr. Lismore. This small book may be obtained from various dealers. 2. "Modern World Coins" by R. S. Yeoman. This book has nice pictures of all the Republic of Cuba coins with



A. A. Johnson in his den. On the wall is a Cuban "Coat of Arms" which was sent to about twenty of the early members from Renaldo Castillanos of Puerto Rico. (Ed. note: next month we will run a picture and history of the Cuban "Coat of Arms.")

the pre-republic "Souvenir" peso of 1897 and the peso of 1898 is also shown.)

Sharp Revolutionary Material

CHI	— 1	\$ 49	5c	Chihuahua	1914	BU	1.50
	7	53	5c	"	1915	BU	1.50
	9	54	10c	"	1915	BU	2.50
	16	6	\$1	Parral	1913	AU	100.00
LUR	—23	45	1c	Durango	1914	BU	3.50
	26	20	5c	"	1914	AU	2.50
EoMo	—12	133	5c	Tenancingo	1915	AU	7.50
GUE	— 1	113	10c	Atlixlac	1915	AU	6.00
	2	114	10c	"	1915	AU	6.00
	21	84	\$1	Campo Morado	1914	VG	29.50
	22	80	\$2	"	1915	XF	17.50
	34	85	\$1	Guerrero	1915	XF	10.00
	43,44	77	\$2	Adobe Dollar	1914	BU	14.50
	53	89	\$1	Taxco	1915	XF	9.50
MOR	— 5	132	10c	Morelos	1916	VF	9.50
	7	127	50c	"	1916	F	10.00
OAX	— 2	176	1c	Oaxaca	1915	VF	25.00
	8	171	5c	"	1915	BU	2.50
	8e	169	5c	"	1915	AU	3.50
	8f	170	5c	"	1915	AU	3.00
	9	166	10c	"	1915	BU	3.50
	9g	164	10c	"	1915	BU	3.50
	14	161	20c	"	1915	XF	5.00
	18d	156	\$1	"	1915	BU	5.00
	18e	156	\$1	"	1915	BU	8.00
PU—	2	74	20c	Madero Brigade	1915	AU	5.00
	9	—	20c	Tetela del Oro	1915	F	375.00

Numbers from Utberg: Coins of the Mexican Revolution 3.00
 Wood—Garza numbers are also given for your convenience.

Order with confidence: it will probably be quite a while before you see such a selection again. These coins were struck under very crude conditions and they circulated a good deal, so the average offering will either be ungraded or will carry the grades G, VG, or Average. We were fortunate to acquire this group, most of which are in top mint condition. Even the ones we grade XF and AU are probably Uncirculated but show a little rubbing on a high spot or two. Plenty of other sharp pieces of all periods on hand at good prices — send for our large free monthly list. Texas residents please add 2% sales tax.

Richard A. Long

COINS AND CURRENCY OF MEXICO

P. O. Box 10075

Corpus Christi, Texas 78410

Marty Sez,

"HOWDY"

**DON'T HAVE MUCH TIME
TO WRITE ADS,
WE GITTIN READY TO MOVE,
TO OUR NEW LOCATION**

1658 South Staples

**If You Need Any of These Kinda
Coins Just Holler Loud,
We Got 'Em!**

1919 TY2 10 CTVO F	\$5.00
1919 TY2 50 CTVO F	4.00
1944 TY3 1 PESO BU	1.25
1945 TY4 5 CTVO BU ....	.25
1954 TY5 1 CTVO BU ....	.50
1910 TY1 Lib. on Horse, fine or btr.	8.00
1950 TY2 5 Peso, Railroad, BU Gem	14.00
1951/52/53 TY4 5 Peso unc., Hidalgo and Wreath, ea. ..	1.50
1957 TY2 Juarez Constitution 10 Peso unc., ea.	14.00
1962 Puebla 5th of May Medals, unc., ea.	2.50
Texas Folks 2%, Please. Checks Accepted.	
While We Are Moving Please Send Orders to P. O. Box No. 3403.	

MARTY'S MONEY MART

**Corpus Christi, Texas
IVAN MARTIN
ANA - TNA - RCDA**

Mexican Export Laws

President Charles Hale of the Sociedad Numismatica de México has kindly reported the following extracts of the laws of Mexico regarding export of numismatic material: "The tariff of the General Export Tax establishes in paragraphs 940-02-00 to 940-02-04 that it is prohibited to take out gold coins; that silver and copper coins require a permit and payment of 25% tax on value of the merchandise. Any person intending to export or take coins from this country without abiding by the requirements incurs in the offense of contraband.

"The customs Code states that whoever becomes an offender may be sanctioned as follows: 1) Fine of between 1,000.00 and 100,000.00 pesos (\$80 to \$8,000 U.S.); 2) Confiscation of merchandise; 3) Arrest of offender, who will be placed in custody of the social representative, known as Public Ministry."

Stated President Hale: "This clarification is being submitted for publication as soon as possible, in order to preclude ignorance of the law on the part of interested parties.

COINS OF MEXICO (con't)

References

- (1) Anon 1966—"Annual Report of the Director of the Mint — Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 1965, U. S. Government Printing Office, Washington, D. C. pp 1-288.
- (2) Anon 1965—"Annual Report of the Director of the Mint — Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 1963, U. S. Government Printing Office, Washington, D. C. pp 1-222.
- (3) Buttrey, T. V. (Jr) 1963 — "A Guide Book of Mexican Deciman Coins 1863-1963. Whitman Publishing Co., Racine, Wisconsin pp 1-122.

PORTRAITS

ON MEXICAN COINS



By **JOE B. DAVIS**
BENITO JUAREZ

In 1955 the Government of Mexico issued a ten-Centavo copper coin bearing Juárez' likeness. This was issued through 1959. In 1957, a One-Peso, Five-Peso, and Ten-Peso Silver piece, called the Constitution was issued.

A Ten-Peso coin with the same profile as the Silver coin was issued in 1957.

In 1854, Benito Juárez, a lawyer, led a revolution called the War of the Reform. He and a group of people like him desired to give the people an honest Government and better living conditions.

Juárez was the first Indian to govern since Cuauhtemoc. He grew up in the town of Oazaca, in the southern part of Mexico. He studied law, and while quite young became Governor. People liked him because he was honest and saw to it that those who worked under him were honest too. He was known to have never taken a bribe nor a Centavo beyond his salary.

While Santa Anna was dictator, Juárez was imprisoned for opposing him. He escaped to New Orleans and stayed until Santa Anna was displaced. He was then named Minister of Justice. Civil war broke out in Mexico and Juárez was hunted from town to town. In the resistance to the French, Juárez held out and finally defeated Maximilian. After the war with the French, Juárez instituted many reforms, one of which was schools to educate Indian children. He died in 1871, shortly after being re-elected to the Presidency.

MEXICO BRILLIANT UNC. DUPLIMINT SEALED YEAR MINT SETS

Every coin minted in Mexico the last 6 years;
6 sets — 1961, 1962, 1963, 1964, 1965 and 1966 \$6.70,
one 1966 set \$1.00, two sets \$1.80; five sets \$4.00.

1950-1966 T5 complete BU one centavo set in beautiful holder \$5.00.

Write for price, other unc. and brilliant unc. year sets.

Calif. residents add 4% Sales Tax

CHARLES M. RANDALL

10711 Sherman Grove, Space 58

Sunland, Calif. 91040

CHRISTMAS PARTY, MEXICAN STYLE

Mr. Richard Vrooman, Publisher of **Mexican Coin News** and Mr. and Mrs. Norm Bermes, Corpus Christi Chamber of Commerce, were the guests of honor at the annual Christmas Party of Liberty Coin Club. The club at their meeting November 28th had voted to extend the invitations in appreciation for the fine cooperation they had received during the past year.

The decorations consisted of Mexican Money Trees, Mexican Santa Claus, Pinatas, Poinsettias, the Mexican flower and holly. The centerpiece was a huge sombrero, loaned to the club by Mr. Les Feldser, the crown of the hat decorated with poinsettias and twinkling lights. The party, held as has been the custom of the club, at Chung Mei Restaurant, was attended by 60 club members and friends. Mrs. Tilla Jones, formerly of Bogata, Colombia, entertained with a number of songs in Spanish. She was dressed in a Spanish costume, as was Helen Davis, the hostess. Du Litt Lee,

manager of Chung Mei, amused at the idea of having a Mexican Party at his Cantonese Restaurant, served hot tamales along with his Won Tongs, Egg Rolls, Chicken on a stick and hors d'oeuvres. A buffet of both American and Cantonese was also featured.



Pan-American Money Mart

LOCATE the Dealer SPECIFIC for YOUR Collecting Needs

ROBBINS COINS

Buy, Swap, Trade

4213 WARWICK
CORPUS CHRISTI, TEXAS 78411

CHET'S COINS

Choice Coins of Mexico

5101 BUFFALO SPEEDWAY, APT. 2
HOUSTON, TEXAS 77006

CHARLES M. RANDALL

Write for price list

10711 SHERMAN GROVE, SPACE 58
SUNLAND, CALIFORNIA 91040

HARVEY BRUNS

*Specializing in Coins of
Mexico and Guatemala*

P. O. BOX 93
MISSION, TEXAS 78572

MEXICOINS

*Specializing in the
Coins of Mexico
Write for price list*

P. O. BOX 52777-M
HOUSTON, TEXAS 77052

G & R COINS

Coins & Currency

P. O. BOX 516
ELKHART, INDIANA 46514

MARTY'S MONEY MART

ANA - TNA - RCDA

CORPUS CHRISTI, TEXAS 78404
1658 S. STAPLES

BILL & CHRIS JOHNS

Specializing in the Coins of Mexico

HOUSTON, TEXAS 77005
1412 WESTHEIMER

RICHARD A. LONG

Coins & Currency of Mexico

P. O. BOX 10075
CORPUS CHRISTI, TEXAS 78410

R. A. GLASCOCK & CO.

*Coin Supplies from the
Alamo City*

P. O. BOX 8192
SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS 78208

Your card here -- \$5.00 per month

\$27.50 -- 6 months

\$50.00 -- 1 year

ADVERTISING

For sale: 116 different Mexican Coins, one centavos to ten pesos, dated 1920 to 1966. Many complete sets. Includes one pesos 1920 to 1943. Good and better conditions. Complete selection \$25.00. Write for list of individual prices. Send want lists for any coins. Brooks and Brooks Mexican Coin Company, 5 Wilshire Avenue, Daly City, California 94015.

How to collect coins for investment and profit! Where to buy and sell coins. How to find fortunes in buried treasure! How to become a franchised coin dealer. Why coins are a better investment than stocks and bonds! How to get started. This booklet is worth its weight in gold -- coins, of course. Only \$1.00. Carvajal Enterprises
1025 Kofa Court, Yuma, Arizona 85364

15 words \$1.00 -- additional words 7c each

[illegible]

5¢ per word for 3rd consecutive issue

Special New Years Subscription Offer

Get a friend to subscribe to
Mexican Coin News for one year
and receive an additional 6 months
FREE subscription for yourself.

Enclosed is \$3.00 _____ check _____ cash _____ M.O.

Offer Expires February, 1967

Your Name _____

Address _____

_____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

New Subscriber _____

Address _____

_____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Mail to:

Mexican Coin News (Circulation Dept.)
915 LEOPARD ST. CORPUS CHRISTI, TEXAS 78401

From the Editor's Desk...

The staff of Mexican Coin News wish each and every one a happy and prosperous New Year. May 1967 bring to you all the things you have been working for during 1966.

The old saying that New Year's resolutions are made to be broken is all too true. So, we are just going to make a promise. Each and every one here will endeavor to bring to you, our readers, the best possible Numismatic Magazine on Mexican Coins and Currency that is possible. In addition to Mexican Numismatics we will from time to time publish many other articles that are of interest to collectors of coins of all countries.

We have articles from some of the top men and women in Numismatics and the promise of more to come. If there are any special subjects that you would like us to cover during 1967, please write and let us know.

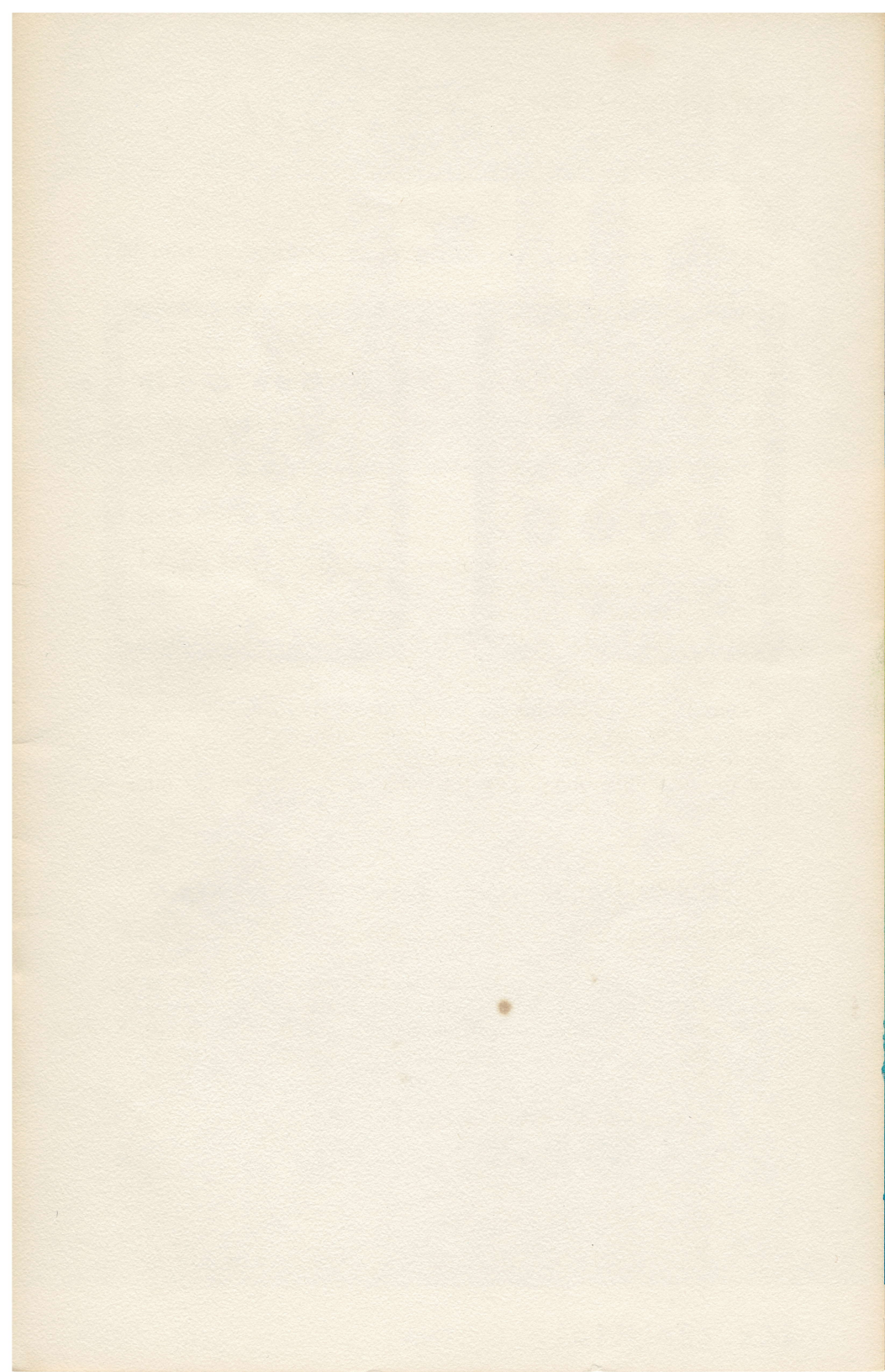
We want to especially thank those of you who have had a hand in helping us launch our new publication. We are not trying to compete with the publications that are and have been established for many years. We want to bring to you information that is hard to find in books now published. Also we will bring many articles that have never been published before.

Every collector has some particular coin that he favors above the rest of his collection. On this particular coin he has done a lot of research and has become an authority. If you are one of these collectors, why not share your information with our readers. Send us your manuscript and we will publish it as space permits. The pages of our publication can be the medium of exchange, of information, for all collectors.

PAPER MONEY (con't)

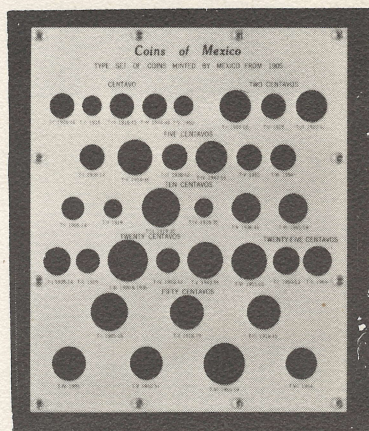
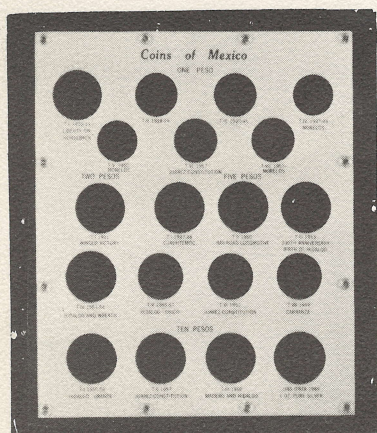
Denomination	Series	Serial Numbers	Issue
\$1	A	1-1,000,000	1,000,000
\$5	B	1,000,000-1,200,000	200,000
\$10	C	1,200,000-1,300,000	100,000
\$20	D	1,300,000-1,350,000	50,000
\$50	E	1,350,000-1,360,000	10,000
\$100	F	1,360,000-1,365,000	5,000

Gaytan-Utberg Listing (1963)					Gaytan Listing (1965)		
\$1	COA	P1	CU	1.25	COAH-66	F	\$.16
\$5	COA	P2	CU	1.50	COAH-67	F	.32
\$10	COA	P3	CU	1.50	COAH-68	F	.40
\$20	COA	P4	CU	1.50	COAH-69	F	.80
\$20 error					COAH-70	F	16.00
\$50	COA	P5	VF	7.50	COAH-71	F	3.20
\$100	COA	P6	VF	20.00	COAH-72	F	12.00



New — Special

CAPITAL SPECIAL HOLDERS FOR MEXICO TYPE SET



Two 10" X 12" holders, Black or White, 54 openings.

\$35.00 FOR THE SET

ORDER FROM YOUR FAVORITE DEALER

OR DIRECT FROM

R. A. GLASCOCK & CO.

COIN SUPPLIES FROM THE ALAMO CITY

P. O. BOX 8192

SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS 78208

Most Complete Line of Coin Supplies in the Southwest

DEALERS WRITE

ANA

TNA

RCDA