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Unique German Mint Errors

1906E GERMANY 2P
MULED WITH 1/2 MARK OBV.
MS 66 BN

6483999-006



(1864-71) GERMANY TALER
PRUSSIA
MINT ERROR MS 64
ON A 1P PLANCHET
UNIFACE OBVERSE (1.53g)
5778922-012



1876 GERMANY MARK
MINT ERROR MS 63
OBVERSE STRUCK THRU
20P PLANCHET (16mm)
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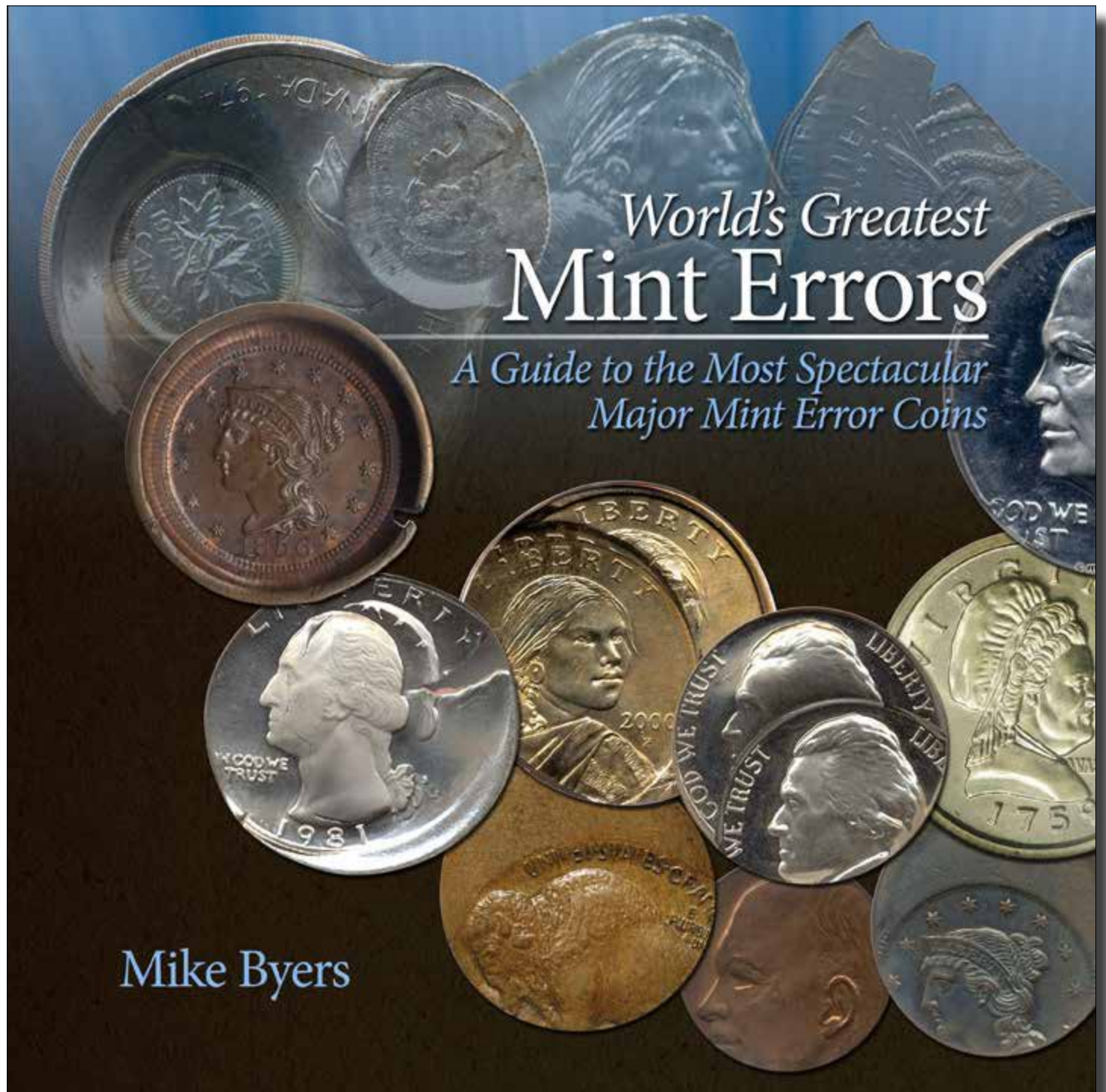
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PCGS MS66
Germany-Empire
Reverse Die Cap
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Mike Byers, Publisher & Editor, Welcomes You!

Welcome to Mint Error News Magazine, bringing the latest mint error news and information to the collector. This is our 22nd year bringing you both an online PDF magazine and the Mint Error News website. There are over 1,500 articles, features, discoveries, news stories with mint error related info from the United States and around the World. Our website, minterrornews.com, has become the most popular and informative Internet resource for mint errors and is read by thousands of dealers and collectors.

Over the last 22 years with the advent of the internet millions of collectors have flocked to online auctions and dealer websites. Many people connect to various online forums and clubs to share knowledge and learn about Mint Errors. Everyone, including dealers, collectors and even investors have instant access to information as never before. The Mint Error market has experienced an explosion in collector interest over the last 22 years.

Time and again, rare and unique Mint Errors in the numismatic market have made headline news. Authentication and certification of Mint Errors is now commonplace. In 1991, ANACS was the first to authenticate, grade and encapsulate major Mint Errors. In 1999, PCGS and NGC began certifying Mint Errors. Major Mint Errors are now pursued, collected and traded just like patterns, territorial Gold, colonials and other interesting segments of numismatics.

In 1975, I purchased a 1900 Indian Head Cent struck on a \$2 1/2 Indian Gold blank planchet for \$7,750 at a major coin auction. That price ranked among the top five ever realized for a Mint Error that few dealers or serious collectors would even consider. At that time price guides for Mint Errors were nonexistent and today that Indian Head Cent struck in Gold is certified MS65 by PCGS and is valued at six figures.

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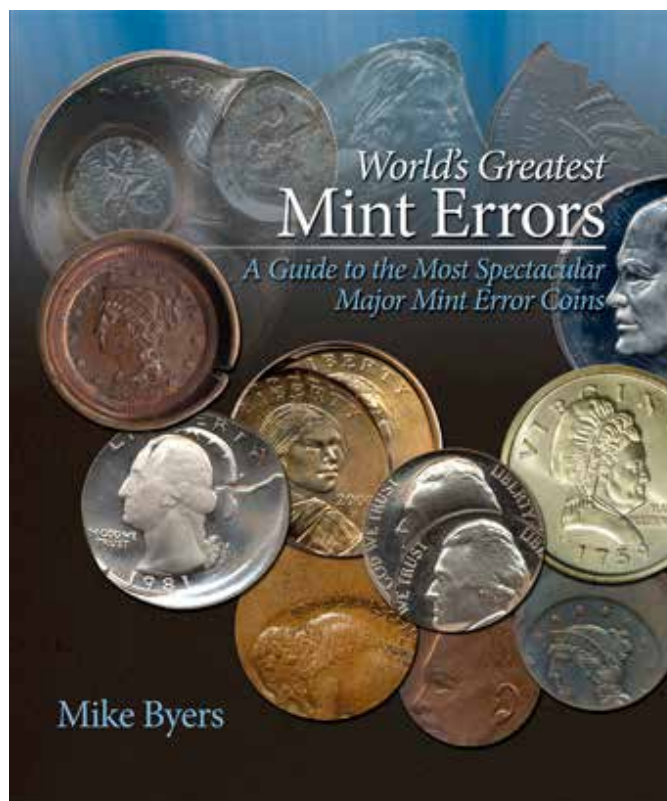


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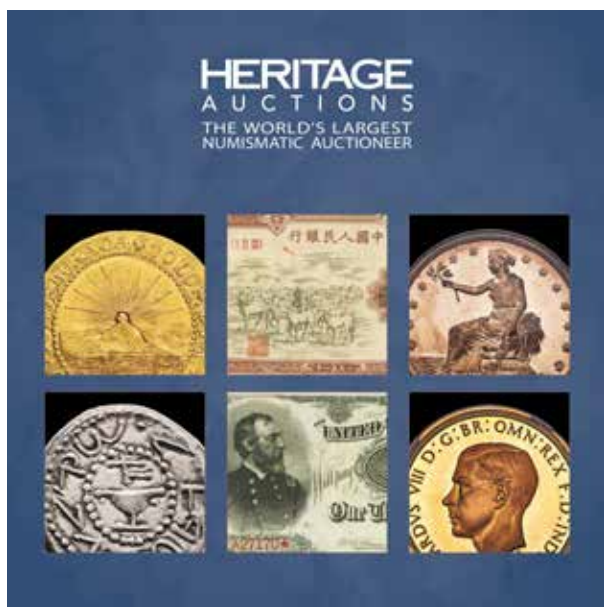
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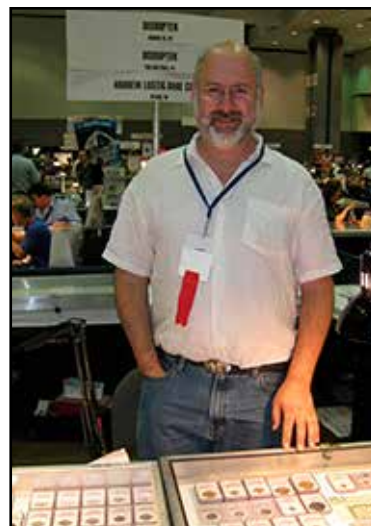
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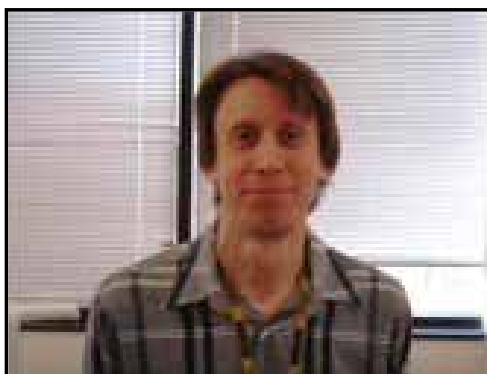
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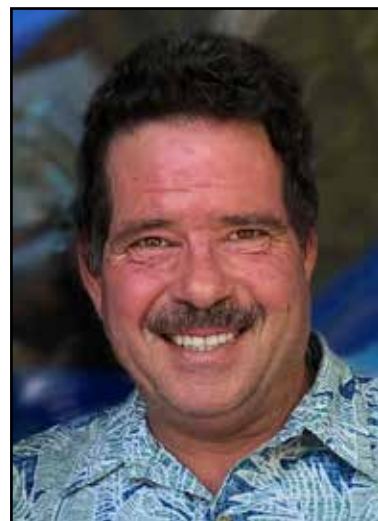
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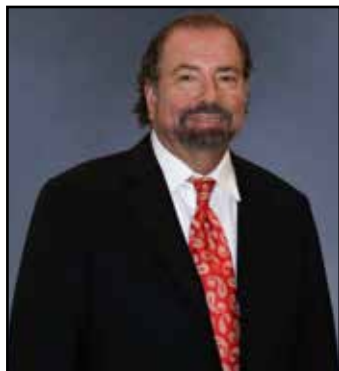
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An interesting array of dollar errors is currently available to be viewed on Northern Nevada Coin's website brokencc.com. The gallery includes several off-center Morgan dollars, a broadstruck Morgan, a spectacularly broadstruck Peace dollar, an example of a rotated reverse, a blank silver dollar planchet, and the Amazing Broken CC.

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UNIQUE 1906E GERMAN 2 PFENNIG MULED WITH 1/2 MARK OBVERSE

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UNIQUE 1906E GERMAN 2 PFENNIG MULED WITH 1/2 MARK OBVERSE

A mule occurs when a coin is produced with mismatched dies. There are many combinations of mules, depending on how they occur. Some mules are struck with two obverse or two reverse dies (two-headed or two-tailed). Other mules involve dies with different denominations that strike coins with the same metallic composition. One of the rarest types of mules involves dies with different denominations that would have struck coins with different metallic compositions. This German 2 Pfennig muled with a 1/2 Mark obverse is one of the rarest types and is considered unique.

The obverse of this mule was struck by a 1/2 Mark obverse die of Wilhelm II with the E Mint Mark for the Muldenhütten Mint. This 1/2 Mark was struck

from 1905 to 1919 and is 90% Silver. The weight is 2.7 grams with a diameter of 20 mm and a thickness of 1.05 mm.

The reverse of this mule was struck by a 1906 2 Pfennig reverse die of Wilhelm II. The 2 Pfennig was struck from 1904-1916 with a composition of copper. The weight is 3.333 grams with a diameter of 20 mm and a thickness of 1.5 mm.

The fascinating aspect of this muled 1/2 Mark and 2 Pfennig is that both dies have a diameter of 20 mm. It is either a *piece de caprice* and was struck intentionally, or it was accidentally struck when a mint employee installed the wrong obverse die into the coining press. Either way, it is an incredible rarity and was authenticated and certified by NGC.

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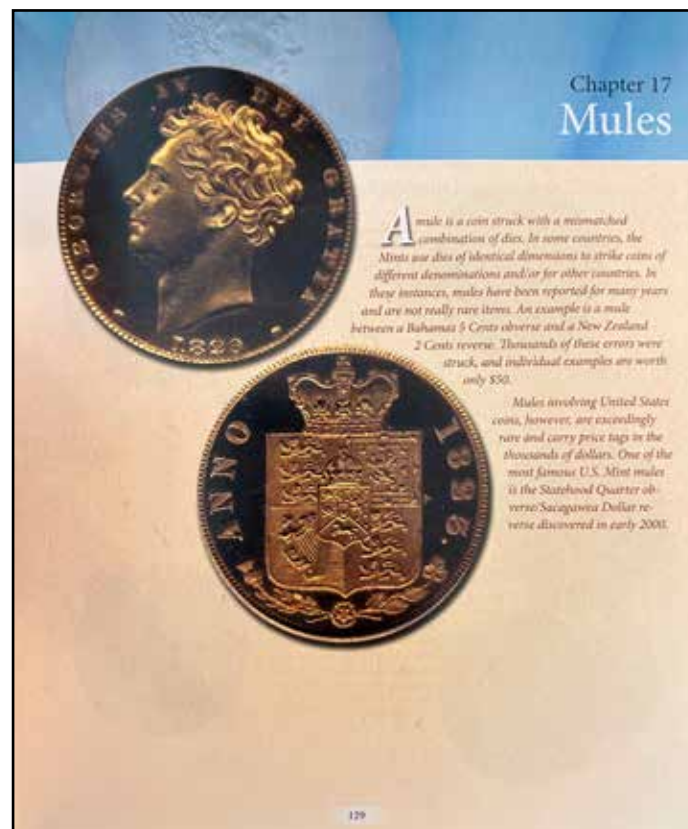
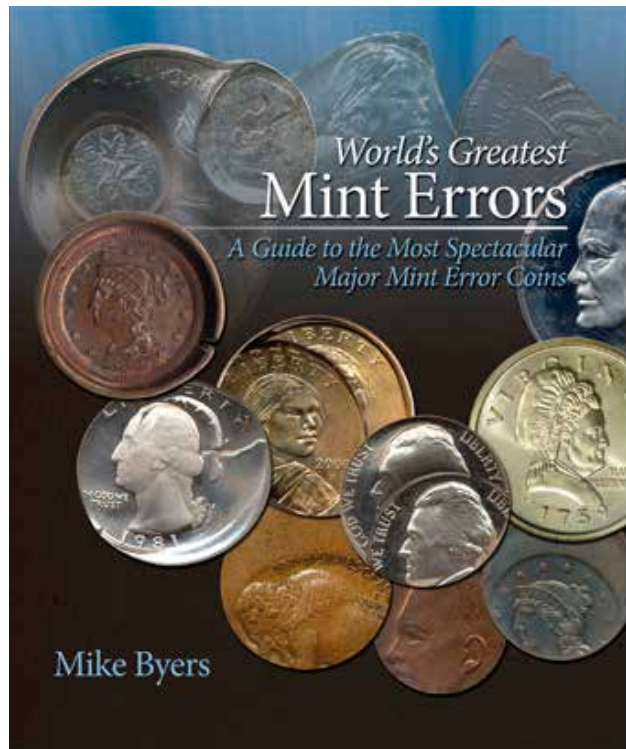
The obverse die from the 1906E silver 1/2 Mark was used to strike this mule.



The reverse die from the 1906E copper 2 Pfennig was used to strike this mule.

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Mules are featured in Chapter 17 of my NLG award winning book, *World's Greatest Mint Errors*.



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Unique and Fascinating German Taler on a Copper 1 Pfennig Planchet

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Unique and Fascinating German Taler on a Copper 1 Pfennig Planchet

This is a unique and fascinating major mint error from Prussia, Germany. After extensive research, I am not aware of an other German Taler struck on a smaller denomination as an off-metal mint error. Experts in the U.S. and Germany were consulted, as well as searching through auction house catalogs and reference books.

This copper one Pfennig planchet was struck by Taler dies and is virtually as struck and in gem condition. The obverse is uniface since the planchet indented a silver Taler planchet. The reverse shows the Taler reverse design of the crowned heraldic eagle.

The Talers were struck in Berlin, Hanover and Frankfurt but since the mint mark is on the obverse design and this off-metal is

uniface, the mint can not be determined.

A normal silver Taler is .900 silver, weighs 18.52 grams and has a diameter of 33mm. This is a dramatic and visual contrast to this off-metal Taler struck on a 1.53 gram copper planchet with a diameter of 17.75mm.

This is half of a mated pair and possibly the other coin was also accidentally released into circulation. It is a silver Taler with a full indent of a one Pfennig planchet on the reverse.

It is one of the most dramatic mint errors to ever surface out of Germany, a country with extremely strict quality control at the mints. This unique off-metal deserves to be included in the finest collection of mint errors or German coinage.

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The one Pfennig planchet fully indented a Taler planchet when it was struck by the reverse Taler die. Here is a rendering:



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UNIQUE GERMAN MARK INDENTED BY A 20 PFENNIG PLANCHET

by Mike Byers (mikebyers.com)



UNIQUE GERMAN MARK INDENTED BY A 20 PFENNIG PLANCHET

This unique 1876 German silver 1 Mark was indented by a 20 Pfennig planchet with a diameter of 16 mm. It was authenticated and certified MS 63 by NGC. I cannot recall any other pre-1900 German coin that was indented by a smaller planchet.

U.S. and world coins that have been indented by smaller denomination planchets are very scarce. This is especially true on older type coins. A great example of this is an 1860 New Orleans Seated Half Dollar that

was indented by a Half Dime planchet. It is part of a mated pair with the other coin being a Half Dollar struck on a Half Dime planchet. Both were certified by PCGS as a mated pair.

It is possible that the mate to this unique German mint error, an 1876 1 Mark struck on a 20 Pfennig planchet, was also accidentally released by the mint and if ever found, would create a spectacular mated pair, just like the Seated Half Dollar and Half Dime.

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Here is a rendering of what the missing mate to this indent would look like:





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The Only Known German Silver Die Cap

by Mike Byers (mikebyers.com)



The Only Known German Silver Die Cap

This is a *unique Silver German die cap*. It is dated 1877, was struck at the Frankfurt Mint and is in gem mint state condition. There are a couple of German die caps from German States known, but they are in copper and on smaller denominations. Additionally, there are a few known German die caps from 1900 to 1923 from the German Empire and the Weimar Republic, but these are in the base metals of copper, zinc and aluminum.

Although designated as a reverse die cap by PCGS, this is actually a *deep obverse die cap*. In the 35 years that PCGS and NGC have certified die caps, the use of the terms *obverse* and *reverse* is inconsistent. Sometimes it is referring to the design of the coin, other times it is referring to

the placement of the die; hammer die (top die) or anvil die (lower die).

This unique Silver 50 Pfennig is a deep obverse die cap with the wreath/date design. If this were a reverse die cap, that cupped the anvil die (lower die) it would have flattened out as it expanded. A normally struck silver 50 Pfennig is 90% silver, weighs 2.77g, and has a diameter of 21mm. This much larger 50 Pfennig expanded in size as it cupped the *obverse die* (hammer die) and brockaged multiple planchets with the eagle design.

This is a fantastic and unique German Empire deep die cap on a silver 50 Pfennig. This die cap belongs in a collection of mint errors or German coinage.

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Fr. 1173 \$10 1922 Gold Certificate
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The NB of Middlebury Ch. # 1195
PCGS Very Fine 25
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Double Denomination 1882 Date Back
Fr. 559/567 The Columbia NB Ch. # (E)4741
About Uncirculated
Sold for \$57,500



Doubled Third Printing Fr. 1935-D \$2 1976
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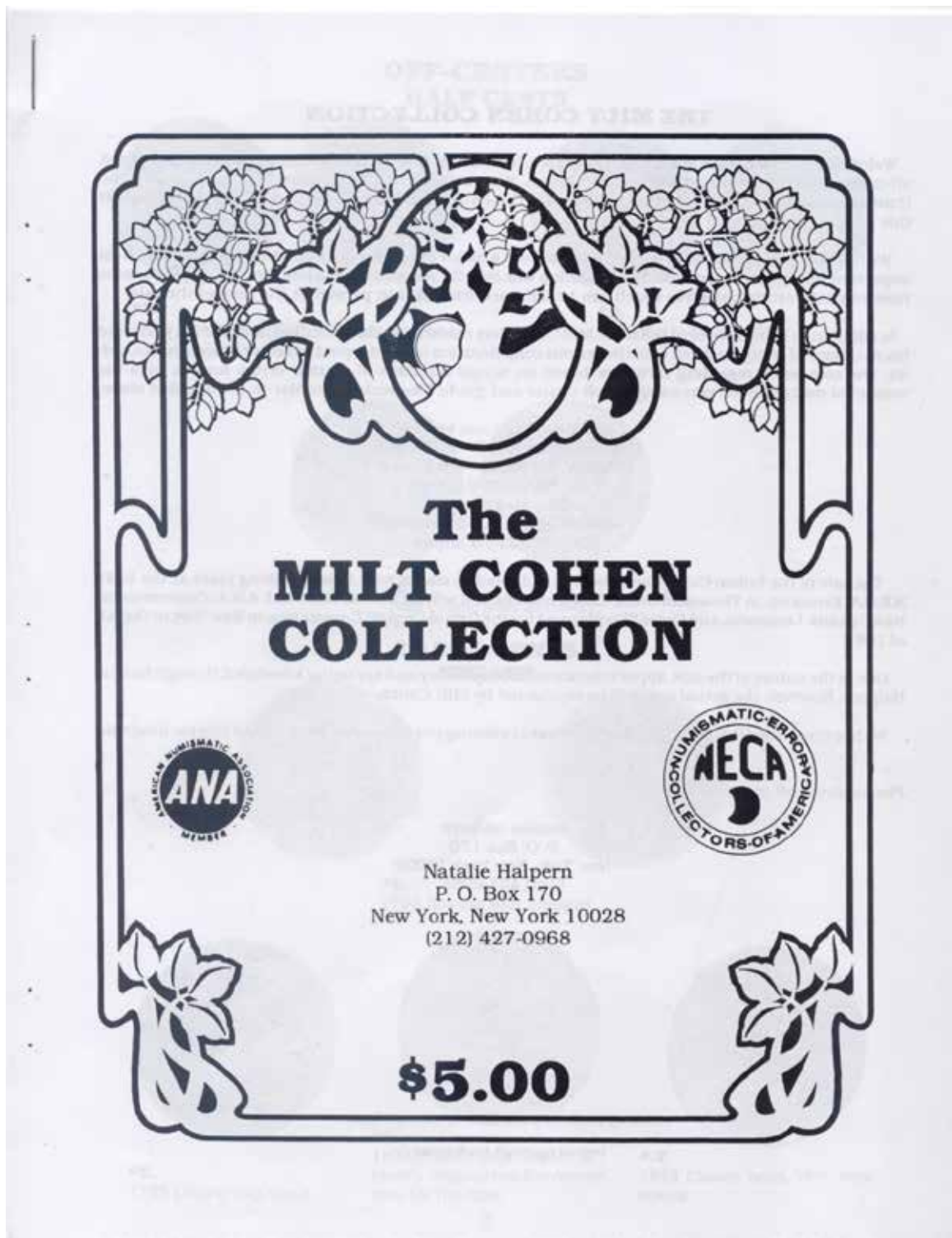
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Editor's Note: Natalie Halpern was a well known mint error dealer many years ago. She sold the Mint Cohen collection which included many unique and finest known mint errors. It is fascinating to not only view all of the rarities that were in his collection, but also to remember where some of them have gone over the years.

The Milt Cohen Collection

THE MILT COHEN COLLECTION

Welcome to the sale of the Milt Cohen Collection. Included is an extensive offering of off-centers by type, off-metals by type, gold and washer coin errors, plus some of the most amazing transitionals and transitional errors. Also included is a listing of the Cohen Cent on Dime Collection, though not for sale at this time.

We have the pleasure of offering serious collectors a major opportunity at obtaining some of the most important errors ever assembled. The collection was over 20 years in the making and many of the coins have very interesting pedigrees which can be obtained from Milt in person at the time of the sale.

In addition to being a devoted collector, Milt Cohen has researched his vast collection over the years and his notations of rarity are given with the serious consideration only a devoted collector/researcher can offer. The comments regarding rarity are based on actual numbers of similar errors known, plus the combined rarity of date, percentage of off-center and grade. The scale is similar to the Sheldon scale:

UNIQUE - Only one known
EXCESSIVELY RARE - 2-3 known
EXTREMELY RARE - 4-6 known
VERY RARE - 7-9 known
RARE - 10-12 known
VERY SCARCE - 13-30 known
SCARCE - 31-75 known

The sale of the Cohen Collection is being conducted in stages with Phase I taking place at the 1981 N.E.C.A. Errorama in Thousand Oaks, California. Phase II will be held at the 1981 A.N.A. Convention in New Orleans, Louisiana, and Phase III is planned for the Grand Central Convention in New York in the fall of 1981.

Due to the nature of the sale, appointments will be necessary and are being scheduled through Natalie Halpern. However, the actual sale will be conducted by Milt Cohen.

We hope you enjoy this catalog and look forward to seeing you if you choose to attend this exciting sale.

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The Milt Cohen Collection

OFF-CENTERS HALF CENTS



#1.
1795 Liberty cap. F/VF. Possibly unique.

#2.
1803 draped bust. VF.



#3.
1829 Classic head. AU/UNC.
Rare.

LARGE CENTS WREATH



#4.
1793 flowing hair. Unique!



#5.
1795 Liberty cap. Good.

#6.
1803 draped bust, choice XF.
Mostly original red. Extremely
rare for the type.

#7.
1813 Classic head, VF+. Very
scarce.

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LARGE CENTS



#8.
1817 Matron head, VF#. Very scarce.



#9.
1848 Mature head, choice XF with clip at K-12. Scarce.

SMALL CENTS



#10.
1858 Flying Eagle, UNC with original lustre. Very rare.



#11.
1859 Copper-nickel no shield, gem BU. One year type. Excessively rare.



#12.
1863 Copper-nickel, gem BU. Rare.



#13.
1903 Bronze, UNC.



#14.
(1943) steel, BU. Rare.

TWO CENTS



#15.
1864 Two cent piece, VF, cleaned long ago. Very rare this far off-center.



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THREE CENT PIECES



#16.
N.D. 3¢ silver, Type I, BU. Excessively rare.

#17.
1856 3¢ silver, Type II, XF.

#18.
1865 3¢ nickel, BU. Rare/Very Rare.

NICKELS



#19.
1866 Rays shield, VG/F. Excessively rare.

#20.
N.D. No rays shield, BU. Excessively rare.



#21.
1897 Liberty, VF#.

#22.
1913 Buffalo, Type I, BU. Planchet split on off-center portion. Extremely rare.



#23.
1919 Buffalo, Type II, BU. Scarce.

#24.
N.D. P-mint Warnickel, BU. Extremely rare.

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HALF DIMES



#25.

1803 Draped bust, VG. Excessively rare for the type.



#26.

N.D. Stars obverse, AU/UNC. Extremely rare.



#27.

1853 arrows, AU. Extremely rare.



#28.

1858 No arrows, VG.



#29.

1861 legend obverse, AU. Rare

DIMES



#30.

1821 capped bust (large size), vf+. Possibly unique.



#31.

1833 capped bust (reduced size), fine. Very rare.



#32.

1854-O Arrows, VG.



#33.

1857 no arrows, XF.



#34.

N.D. legend obverse, UNC. Scarce.



#35.

N.D. Barber dime, choice XF. Extremely rare.



#36.

1920 Mercury dime, gem BU. Full bands. Very scarce.



#37.

1953 Roosevelt dime, BU.

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TWENTY CENT PIECE



#38.
1875 twenty cent piece, gem BU. Excessively rare.

QUARTERS



#39.
1820 capped bust (large size), G/VG. Excessively rare.



#40.
1838 capped bust (reduced size), Fine. Extremely rare.



#41.
1853-O arrows, good.



#42.
1857 no motto, choice AU. Split on reverse blank portion. Very rare.



#43.
1874 arrows, VF/XF.



#44.
N.D. with motto, F/VF. Very scarce.

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QUARTERS



#45.
1901 Barber, UNC. Rare.

#46.
1917-S Standing Liberty, Type I, VG. Probably unique.



#47.
N.D. Standing Liberty, Type II, Gem BU. Rare.

#48.
1959 Washington, BU.



#49.
1965 Washington, BU

#50.
Bicentennial Washington, BU.

HALVES



#51.
1806 Draped bust, VF. Scarce.

#52.
1811 Capped bust, Choice AU. Excessively rare.

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HALVES



#53.
1875-S No arrows, UNC. Extremely rare.



#54.
N.D. Barber, Gem BU. Excessively rare.



#55.
N.D. Walking Liberty, BU. Partially struck through a blank on reverse. Excessively rare.



#56.
N.D. Franklin, BU. Uniface reverse. Extremely rare.

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HALVES



#57.
1964-D 90% silver Kennedy.
BU. Excessively rare.



#58.
1968-D 40% silver Kennedy.
BU. (Line in photo is toning
streak).



#59.
1971-D Clad Kennedy, BU.



#60.
Bicentennial Kennedy.
BU.



DOLLARS



#61.
1802 Bust, F/VF. Very rare.



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DOLLARS



#62.

N.D. Morgan, major off-center, XF/AU.



#63.

1922 Peace dollar, Gem BU. Excessively rare as a type, this is the furthest off-center Peace dollar known.



#64.

1971-D Clad Eisenhower, BU.

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GOLD ERRORS



#1.
1853 \$1.00 gold piece, Liberty head, UNC.

#2.
1856 \$1.00 gold piece, Indian head, XF.

#3.
1912 \$2.00 1/2 gold, Indian head, UNC.

TOM ELDER \$1.00 GOLD SIZE TOKENS



#4.
N.D. Gold off-center, BU.

#5.
1927 Gold double struck, Gem BU.

#6.
1927 Gold off-center, Gem BU.

WASHER COINS

Washers are integral parts of the mechanics in the mint as in any factory. As "Murphy's Law" would predict, these washers can fall prey to the coining presses, although it is a very rare occurrence. And while not struck on actual coinage metal, washer coins are a fascinating adjunct to an off-metal type set.



#1.
1968-S cent on steel washer (magnetic).

#2.
1967 nickel on steel washer (magnetic).

#3.
1969 quarter on steel washer (magnetic).

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SILVER INDIAN



#1.
1909 Indian cent on
dime, gem BU.

OFF-METALS SILVER WHEAT



#2.
1949D cent on dime.
Gem BU.

SILVER MEMORIAL



#3.
1964D cent on dime.
BU.

CLAD MEMORIAL



#4.
1970D cent on dime.
BU.



#5.
1865 two cent piece on Indian cent, gem BU
with prooflike surfaces. Extremely rare.



#6.
1871 two cent piece on shield nickel, VF±
Probably unique.



#7.
1883 nickel-copper Liberty nickel on Indian
cent, Gem BU, semiprooflike surfaces. Unique
one year type.



#8.
1892 WC Liberty nickel on cent, AU/UNC.



#9.
1921 Buffalo nickel on cent, fully struck, gem
BU.



#10.
1943-S Warnickel on steel cent, BU. Full date,
satiny surfaces. Very rare.



#11.
N.D. Buffalo nickel on dime, BU.
Excessively rare.



#12.
1941 Jefferson on dime, UNC.
Earliest date known.



#13.
1942-S Warnickel on dime,
BU.



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OFF-METALS



#14.
1903 Barber dime on Venezuelan 1/4 Bolivar, silver, BU. Excessively rare.



#15.
1936 Mercury dime on Venezuelan 1/4 Bolivar, silver, BU. Very rare.



#16.
1946 Roosevelt dime on Venezuelan 1/4 Bolivar, silver, BU. Excessively rare.



#17.
1956 Roosevelt dime on a struck copper Honduras one centavo, BU. Strong detail on reverse. Only dime on copper known, and a double denomination! Unique.



#18.
1970 Roosevelt dime on aluminum Philippine one centimo, BU. Rare.



#19.
1955 Washington quarter on cent, choice AU/UNC.



#20.
1967 quarter on struck cent, gem BU. Lots of detail.



#21.
Bicentennial quarter on cent, XF+. Extremely rare.



#22.
1939 quarter on nickel, gem BU. Earliest date known.



#23.
1944 quarter on Warnickel, UNC. Unique.



#24.
1967 quarter on struck nickel, flipover, BU.



#25.
Bicentennial quarter on nickel, BU.



#26.
1946 quarter on dime, BU. Earliest date known.



#27.
1963 quarter on struck dime, BU. Excessively rare.



#28.
1965 quarter on dime, BU.

The Milt Cohen Collection

OFF-METALS



#29.

N.D. Walking Liberty half on a steel cent, off-center. Positively unique! Overall, probably the most desirable off-metal, off-center known.



#30.

1954 Franklin on cent, brockage on reverse. BU. Excessively rare.

#31.

N.D. Kennedy on cent. BU.

#32.

1973S Kennedy on cent. Proof. Unique.



#33.

N.D. Walking Liberty on nickel. BU. Possibly unique.

#34.

1960-D Franklin on struck nickel (flipover), BU. Unique.



#35.

1964 Kennedy on nickel. BU.



#36.

1973-S Kennedy on nickel, proof. Unique.



#37.

Bicentennial half on nickel, gem BU.

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OFF-METALS



#38.
N.D. Franklin on dime, BU.



#39.
N.D. Kennedy on clad dime, BU.



#40.
1951-D Franklin on quarter, BU. Probably earliest date known.



#41.
1964-D Kennedy on quarter, gem BU.



#42.
1968-D Kennedy on quarter, gem BU.



#43.
Bicentennial Kennedy on quarter, BU.



#44.
1979 Kennedy on Susan B. Anthony dollar, BU.

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TRANSITIONALS



#1.
1943 Lincoln on copper cent,
AU.

#2.
1944 Lincoln on steel cent,
BU.



#3.
1965 Roosevelt on silver dime,
BU.

#4.
1965 Washington on silver
quarter, BU.

TRANSITIONAL ERRORS



#5.
1965 cent on silver dime, BU.

#6.
1964 cent on clad dime, BU.

#7.
1944-P Warnickel on steel
cent, BU.



#8.
1965 quarter on silver dime, BU.

#9.
1965 half on silver quarter, Gem
BU.



#10.
1964 half dollar on a previously
struck clad quarter, BU. Transi-
tional, off-metal, double denom-
ination, unique triple error!

The Milt Cohen Collection

THE MILT COHEN COLLECTION OF CENT ON DIME BY DATE

The following list includes all the dates and mintmarks in the Cohen Collection, plus all the related cent on dime errors. Photos of the related errors are on the following page.

1909 Indian	1956	1968
1920 Lincoln	1956 Clog 9	1968 D
1926	1956 Small Clip	1968 S
1928	1956 BIE	1968 S Proof*
1934	1956 Dbl. Denom.*	1969
1938 S	1956 D	1969 D
1941	1957	1969 S
1942	1957 D	1969 S Proof*
1943	1958	1970
1943 D	1958 D	1970 D
1943 S	1959	1970 S
1944	1959 D	1971
1944 S	1960 Small Date	1971 D
1945	1960 Large Date	1971 S
1946	1960 D Small Date	1972
1946 D	1960 D Large Date	1972 D
1946 S	1961	1973
1947 S	1961 D	1973 D
1949 D	1962	1974
1950	1962 D	1974 D
1950 D	1963	1975
1951	1963 D	1975 D
1951 D	1964	1976
1951 S	1964 Double Denomination*	1976 D
1952	1964 Clad*	1977
1952 D	N.D. Silver Brockage*	1977 D
1952 S	N.D. Silver Off-Center*	1978
1953	N.D. Silver Double Struck*	1978 D
1953 D	N.D. Clad Off-Center*	1979
1953 S	1965 Silver*	1979 D
1954	1965 Clad Mated Pair*	1980
1954 D	1965	1980 D
1954 S	1966	1981
1955	1966 Double Denomination	1981 D
1955 D	1966 Off-Center*	
1955 S	1967	
	1967 Clad Layer*	

(*Denotes Photo)

Additional reports of unlisted dates and mintmarks are solicited. Natalie Halpern will be conducting further research in order to provide the hobby with as complete a listing as possible. In most cases, to be considered a "verified" report it will be necessary to send the coin for photographing and weighing. Ms. Halpern will pay return postage and your name will be included (with your approval) in the updated listing to be published at a later date. All cents on dimes, including those listed, are solicited for purchase as well. Please write with a description first. Direct all inquiries to:

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CENT ON DIME - RELATED ERRORS



1956 double denomination.



1964 double denomination.



1964 clad transitional.



N.D. silver - brockage.



N.D. silver off-center.



N.D. silver - double struck.



TOP COIN

BOTTOM COIN



N.D. clad off-center.



1965 silver transitional.



1965 Mated pair (two coins).



1966 Double denomination.



1966 off-center.



1967 Clad layer.



1968-S proof.



1969-S proof.

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WORLD ERROR COINS AND THE PDS ERROR SYSTEM

by Jeff Ylitalo



The (Planchet, Striking) PDS error classification system is simple and easy to remember for collectors. It can be applied to coins around the world. This

article references the PDS system for three different error coins. Keep in mind that it is possible for a single coin to have a varied combination of the three.

WORLD ERROR COINS AND THE PDS ERROR SYSTEM

The first coin is a planchet error and a striking error. Certified by PCGS, it is a 2017 Malaysian 20 sen struck on a smaller magnetic stainless steel 10 sen planchet. A 20 sen coin is normally struck on

a nickel-brass planchet thereby making this a wrong planchet error. The reverse is a full uniface strike. When the reverse was struck another planchet was lying beneath it.



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The second coin is a both a die error and a striking error. Clashed dies on the obverse and reverse of both the first strike and the second off-center strike are present. Certified by NGC, it is a 2001 D Jefferson nickel. Very strong



WORLD ERROR COINS AND THE PDS ERROR SYSTEM



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The third coin is a striking error. Certified by NGC, it is a “die adjustment strike” on a large heptagon (7 sided) 50 pence coin from Great Britain.

The obverse shows the slightest details of Her Majesty, Queen Elizabeth II; facing right. In this case the outline of the Queen’s

forehead and nose can be seen. The lower part of the Queen’s hair bun can be detected. No other design details on either the obverse or the reverse are present. This 50 pence die adjustment error dates from the time period 1985 to 1997 as it is the 3rd portrait (large) of the Queen.



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An Extremely Rare 1966 Lincoln Cent Double Struck with a First Strike Mirror Brockage Reverse

by Mike Byers (mikebyers.com)

This is a fascinating multiple mint error. The reverse of this 1966 Lincoln Cent has a first strike

mirror brockage of the obverse design. The coin rotated in the collar and was struck again.



An Extremely Rare 1966 Lincoln Cent Double Struck with a First Strike Mirror Brockage Reverse

Detail is visible on the obverse from the rotated double struck design including Lincoln, the date and some of the lettering. The 1966 date is visible on the reverse from the first strike mirror brockage that was overstruck by the reverse Cent die.

Mirror brockages are scarce in the Lincoln Cent series but a mirror brockage which was double struck is extremely rare. This mint error was discovered out of an old-time collection and was authenticated and certified by CAC.



An Extremely Rare 1966 Lincoln Cent Double Struck with a First Strike Mirror Brockage Reverse



An Extremely Rare 1966 Lincoln Cent Double Struck with a First Strike Mirror Brockage Reverse

Detail is visible on the obverse from the rotated double struck design including Lincoln and some of the lettering:



An Extremely Rare 1966 Lincoln Cent Double Struck with a First Strike Mirror Brockage Reverse

The 1966 date is visible from the first strike mirror brockage that was overstruck by the reverse Cent die:



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For those of you not familiar with this fascinating area of numismatics, patterns are prototypes for coins that, for the most part, were never approved for circulation. Most patterns are very rare, some unique, and others unknown outside of museums.

A good place to start learning about these pieces is our Beginner's Corner which includes a page on How to use this Website or the Photo Gallery which contains examples of many of the different pattern issues.

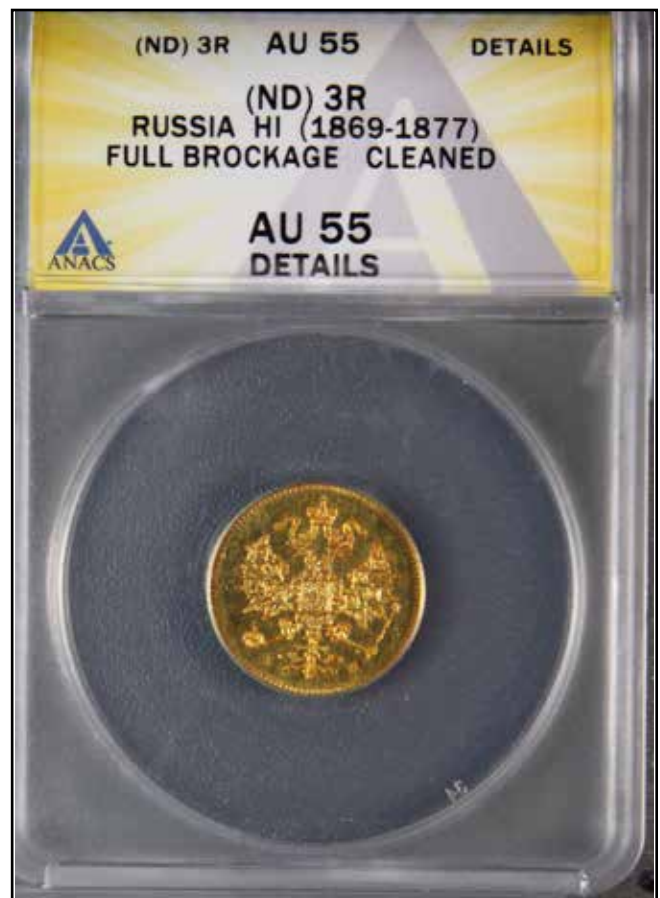
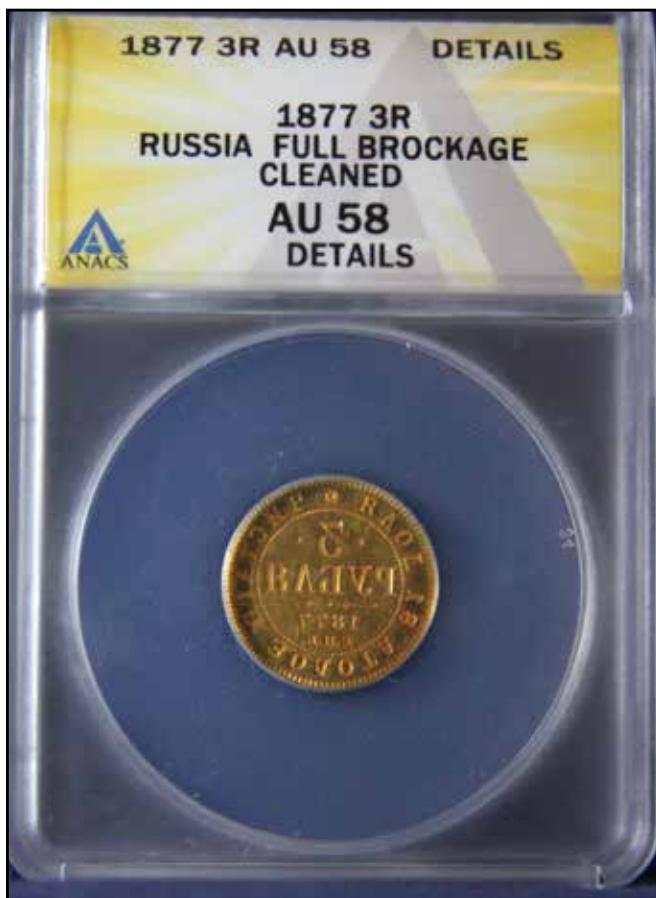
The United States Mint produced more than 1000 different patterns, as well as many die trials and experimental pieces. Despite the great rarity of many of these individual items, the great variety makes the series surprisingly collectable.

There are relatively few collectors specializing in United States pattern coinage. Most of these collectors target specific areas. For example, there are collectors who specialize in Indian Cent patterns, others collecting Morgan dollar patterns, and so on.

In addition to these specialists, there are thousands of collectors of regular issue United States coins who try to buy a few patterns to complement their collections. Many of these historical coins have wide appeal and are surprisingly affordable. There are many collectors who, for example, would like to own an 1855 Flying Eagle large cent (J-167, about 500 pieces struck) to go with their collection of large cents or with their collection of Flying Eagle small cents.

A Rare Russian Gold Brockage Pair

by Martin Wettmark



Here are two gold brockages from the Russian Tsar Empire, Alexander II (1855-1881). These are two 3 Rubles with both an obverse and a reverse and the reverse is dated

1877. It is possible that they were struck in the same occasion. But of course this is impossible to confirm, even if they are from the same collection.

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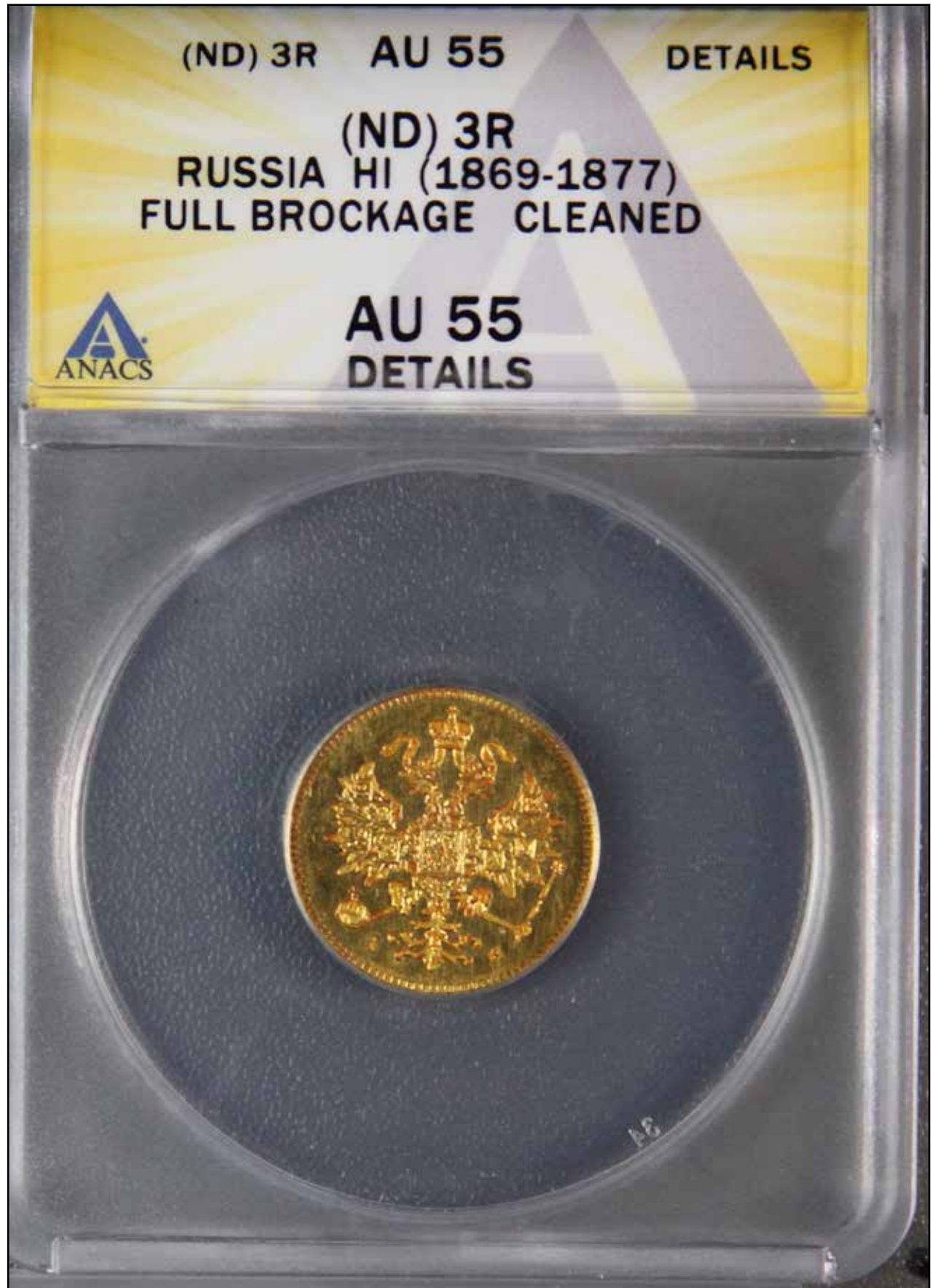
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Very Rare 1941 Netherlands 10 Cent Zinc Pattern

by Mike Byers (mikebyers.com)



Very Rare 1941 Netherlands 10 Cent Zinc Pattern

This is a *unique Silver German die cap*. It is dated 1877, was struck at the Frankfurt Mint and is in gem mint state condition. There are a couple of German die caps from German States known, but they are in copper and on smaller denominations. Additionally, there are a few known German die caps from 1900 to 1923 from the German Empire and the Weimar Republic, but these are in the base metals of copper, zinc and aluminum.

Although designated as a reverse die cap by PCGS, this is actually a *deep obverse die cap*. In the 35 years that PCGS and NGC have certified die caps, the use of the terms *obverse* and *reverse* is inconsistent. Sometimes it is referring to the design of the coin, other times it is referring to

the placement of the die; hammer die (top die) or anvil die (lower die).

This unique Silver 50 Pfennig is a deep obverse die cap with the wreath/date design. If this were a reverse die cap, that cupped the anvil die (lower die) it would have flattened out as it expanded. A normally struck silver 50 Pfennig is 90% silver, weighs 2.77g, and has a diameter of 21mm. This much larger 50 Pfennig expanded in size as it cupped the *obverse die* (hammer die) and brockaged multiple planchets with the eagle design.

This is a fantastic and unique German Empire deep die cap on a silver 50 Pfennig. This die cap belongs in a collection of mint errors or German coinage.

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Deze stukken zijn in 1941 tijdens de Duitse bezetting aangemaakt, doch vóór het in circulatie komen afgekeurd en vernietigd.

Er schijnen echter enige stukken op onregelmatige wijze toch in circulatie te zijn gekomen. Het stuk is derhalve als een curiosium te beschouwen. Omtrent de waarde als zodanig zal de Firma J. Schulman, Keizersgracht 448 te Amsterdam U kunnen inlichten.

Hoogachtend,
's RIJKS MUNTMEESTER:

(Dr. J.W.A. van Hengel)

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van Hengel

Very Rare 1941 Netherlands 10 Cent Zinc Pattern

Mint Letter Translation:

In response to your letter of the 16th of this month, I inform you that the depicted dime is not, in fact, a coin, as the image on one side (a three-crowned tree) does not conform to the description given in the law.

These coins were produced in 1941 during the German occupation, but were rejected and destroyed before entering circulation.

However, some coins appear to have entered circulation irregularly. The coin is therefore to be considered a curiosity. The firm of J. Schulman, Keizersgracht 448, Amsterdam, will be able to inform you regarding its value.

*Sincerely,
's Rijks Mint Master:
(Dr J.W.A. van Hengel)*

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A similar Netherlands Zinc Pattern sold in a November 2024 Heritage Auction for \$6,000 (lot #30203).



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COLLECTION OF EDWARD WARREN SAWYER'S NATIVE AMERICAN PORTRAIT GALVANOS OFFERED BY HERITAGE AUCTIONS

In 1931, just a year before his death, the American Numismatic Society awarded the prestigious J. Sanford Saltus medal to Edward Warren Sawyer for his work with Native Americans. Nearly two decades earlier in 1914, the Society published information regarding his work:¹

Mr. Edward W. Sawyer.—The most important event in the field of medalllic art in our country for 1913 was the advent of Mr. Sawyer's portrait pieces of typical North American Indians. For although the medals are dated 1912 that is understood to be the date of the study, the medals were completed in 1913. Elsewhere in this volume Mr. Sawyer has himself made a statement regarding his work, so that no extensive discussion of the subject will be required here. As an important contribution to the efforts put forth for many years past to preserve a complete anthropological record of this slowly passing race, Mr. Sawyer's works rank second to few, and is comparable to the three great volumes of lithographic portraits of typical Indians published in 1836 at Philadelphia by Edward C. Biddle. In fact this group, in all now nearly two score, of portraits of Indians forms an excellent complement to that earlier work, and the more valuable because separated by two generations from it. In his portraiture of the Indian it is not surprising that Mr. Sawyer has developed great skill and produced splendid results; for evident ability and superior training have been supplemented by an extent of practice seldom enjoyed by an artist. Mr. Sawyer modelled nearly forty portraits of Indians within a period of less than a half dozen years! And the Indian is not an easy subject for the artist, if something more than a mere faithful likeness is desired. The inscrutability of his countenance, exceeded by few races of the world, cannot but prove baffling to any attempts to express either dominant characteristics or fleeting emotions of his soul. And yet there is not a lifeless portrait in the entire large group of these medals, while many of them are all that one could require of an artist in the intelligible expression of character. Mr. Sawyer's fine achievement, while a credit to his artistic abilities, possesses national and historical value that will in future be more highly valued.

¹ "Coins and Medals in the United States in 1913," *American Journal of Numismatics*, vol. XLVII, 1914, pp. 148-9. Illustrated are Chief - Sota - Oglala Sioux; Noco-To-Mah—South Cheyenne; Curley - Custer Scout - Crow (Plate 11).

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Edward Warren Sawyer was born on March 17, 1876 to a Chicago gynecologist of the same name. As sons of a prominent citizen, Edward and his brother, Philip Ayer Sawyer (1877-1949), likely had comfortable childhoods.² As a teenager, Sawyer witnessed the World's Columbian Exposition, and he was likely stimulated by the sculptural decorations throughout the fair.

Sawyer was trained at the Art Institute of Chicago under the tutelage of Herman MacNeil, the famed designer of the Standing Liberty quarter who was an exhibitor at the 1893 World's Fair. Near the close of the 19th century, Sawyer traveled to France where he studied at the Académie des Beaux Arts.

The artist returned to the states and received a bronze medal at the Louisiana Purchase Exposition in St. Louis for his statue of a charging buffalo. That same year he traveled to Fort Yuma on his initial western excursion, meeting his second cousin, the painter, Elbridge Ayer Burbank. The two artists had difficulties on this trip as members of the Yuma tribe were reluctant to pose for their portraits. In their culture, nothing should remain following their death. "If you make my picture, [when] I die, my friend will see my picture and make him sad." Sawyer reviewed all of his work in an article for the *American Journal of Numismatics*.³ He described the Yuma as "large, tall men, with heavy features and long hair twisted around in strands." With great difficulty, Sawyer was able to convince a member of the tribe to pose for him. Ne-I-So-Meh was the only portrait that survives from his initial foray. He wrote that a young Yuma school girl also posed for the artists.



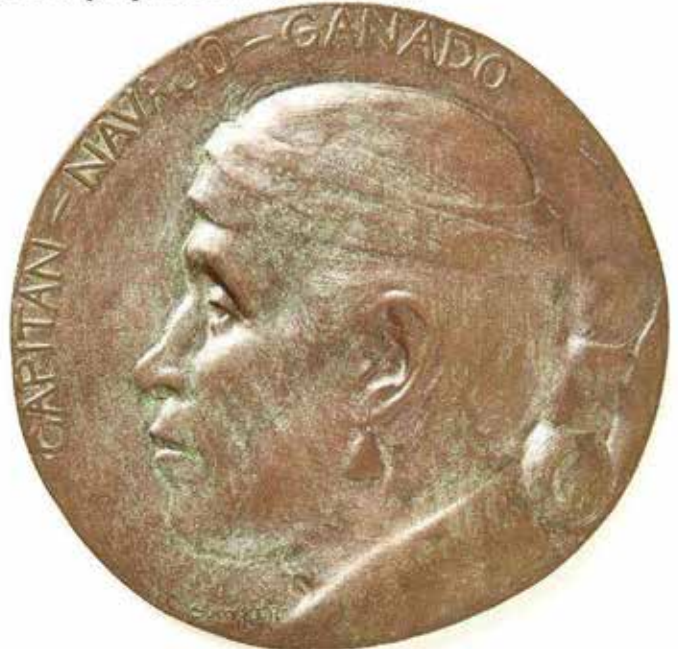
² Dr. Edward W. Sawyer was born in New Hampshire or Massachusetts about 1850 and died in 1897. Mary "Mollie" Manney was born in Wisconsin about 1850 and died in 1898.

³ "My Work Among the Indians," *American Journal of Numismatics*, vol. XLVII, 1914, pp. 159-63.

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Following a three month stay at Fort Yuma, Sawyer and Burbank traveled to Gallup, New Mexico, and to Ganado, Arizona, home of the world-famous Hubbell Trading Post that remains in operation today, now part of the Hubbell Trading Post National Historic Site. Sawyer had much better success among members of the Navajo nation. Several Navajo portraits were modeled at Ganado. Those portraits included At-Zi-Di and Ish-ki-La-Cai, likely the first two as the style of incuse lettering resembles the earlier portrait prepared at Fort Yuma.



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Other portraits included Chief Tja-Yo-Ni, Nol-To-I, and Est-Zan-Lopa whom Sawyer described as “a little girl blanket weaver.” Additional Navajo portraits were modeled on Sawyer’s second trip west in 1908. Those portraits completed in 1904 or 1908, the dates uncertain, included Capitan who may be the individual recorded in the 1920 Federal Census as a doctor in St. Michaels, Arizona, Chief Many Horses, and Quinlichini-Nez who is probably the Navajo appearing in a 1915 Indian Census as Kinlacheney Nez.

The second western excursion also included a visit to the Apache Nation at Agua Caliente, Arizona where Sawyer completed models of an Indian called Apache, a scout called Captain Coffey, and another called Old Jim, an art critic who said: “That man was no good ... that man is making me with only one eye and I have two eyes.” Lighting a match that he held at arm’s length, Old Jim closed one eye and said “heap good.” He then closed the other eye and said “both eyes heap good, that man is no good.”

Returning to Paris, Sawyer exhibited his work, eventually returning for his final trip west in 1912. Beginning in Oklahoma, Sawyer traveled to South Dakota and Montana, and modeled many portraits from several different nations: “I have always wanted to model a series of heads from all the different tribes.”

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He began his third trip at Pawhuska, Oklahoma where he worked with on the Osage reservation. Sawyer noted that the Osage Indians were the Aristocrats whose land was rich with oil reserves. He described the Osage as big, dignified men. He modeled Kah-Wah-Se who was known as Yellow Horse, and See-Hah who was known as Buffalo Hoof. After leaving Pawhuska, Sawyer traveled 50 miles to Pawnee where he spent time with an Indian family, where he modeled Sah-Coo-Hu-Tu-Ree-Hoo who was known as Seeing Eagle, and his wife, Pee-Ru-Ths. He also prepared the portrait of "a pretty little girl" named Stah-Pe-U. The Kickapoo people lived at McLoud, Oklahoma,⁴ just east of Oklahoma City, where Sawyer modeled On-Ah-Shin-Nin-Nah and a squaw named Be-Me-Tha.

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Leaving McCloud, Sawyer made his way to Geary, Oklahoma, 80 miles to the west, where he spent time with the South Cheyennes and the Arapahoes who he described as large, gentle men with wide noses. At Geary, Sawyer modeled Ba-Haw (Thunder), Ne-Aie-Ta-Ha-Wa (Cut Finger), Han-Ni-Ait (Coyote Robe), all of the Arapahoe nation, and Noco-To-Mah (Bear Robe), a South Cheyenne. In Clinton, Oklahoma, Sawyer prepared models of two more South Cheyennes, Ma-Si-Ni (Woman's Heart) and Che-Ho-Ni (Chief Little Wolf). In Anadarko, Oklahoma, 60 miles southwest of Oklahoma City, Sawyer modeled a Wichita Indian known as Chief To-Wak-Oni-Jim, who he described as a fine type of old man and a great orator. The chief was 65 years old at the time of Sawyer's visit.

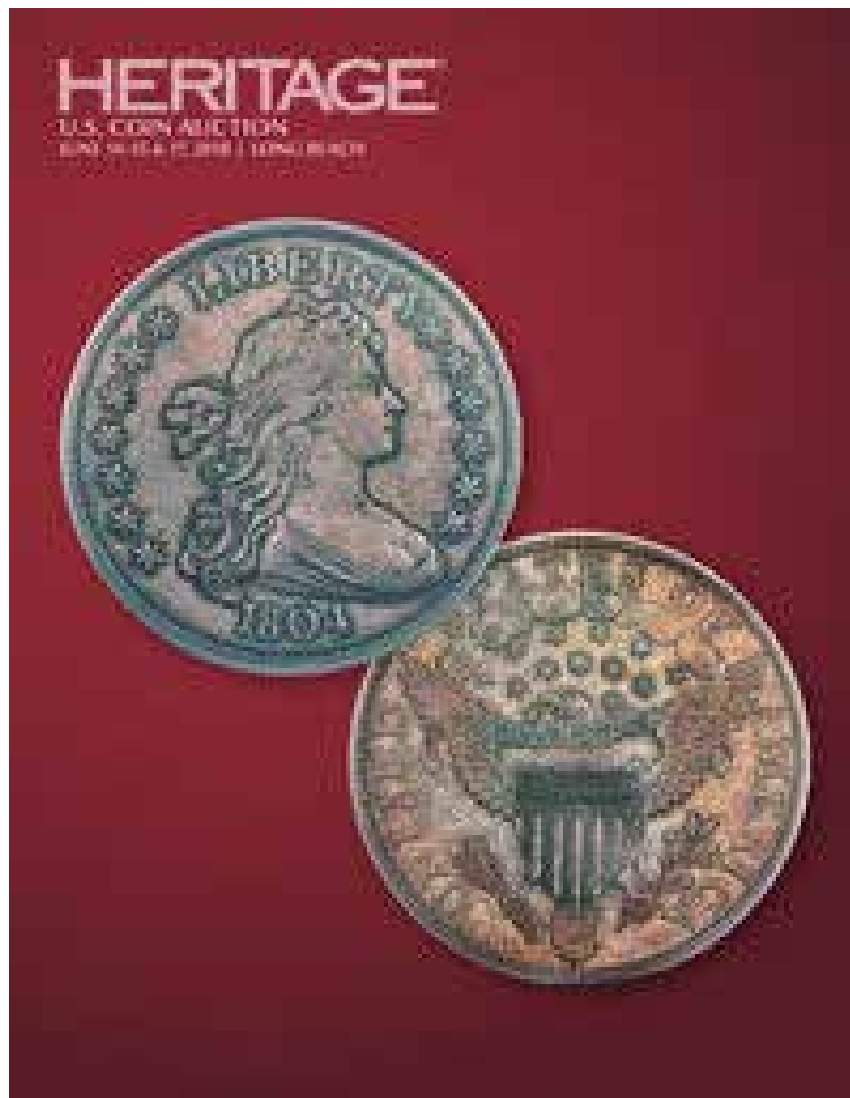
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After the artist finished his work in Oklahoma, he spent some time with the Navajos in Arizona, and then traveled to the Crow Agency in Southeastern Montana, close to the Little Big Horn battlefield. A Crow scout named Curley was the sole survivor of Custer's battalion. Sawyer also modeled a medicine man named Ech-Spa-Di-E-Ash, and Be-Sha-E-Chi-E-Di-Esha who was known as Big Ox. During his time at the Crow Agency, Sawyer met J.R. Eddy, the Indian agent from Lame Deer, Montana who told him of a Cheyenne named Esh-Sha-A-Nish-Is, also known as Chief Two Moons. A Cheyenne medicine man named Ho-Tua-Hwo-Ko-Mas, or White Bull, was also sculpted at Lame Deer. Old Bear, or Ma-Ki-Na-Ko, was his third subject at the Lame Deer agency. After an unsuccessful visit to the Pine Ridge agency in South Dakota, Sawyer made his final stop of his 1912 excursion at Manderson, South Dakota where he modeled Chief Sota (Smoke), Sunka-Hanska (Long Dog), and Hunpe-Ka (Picket Pin), all members of the Oglala Sioux tribe.

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Working with Sawyer's models, the Medalllic Art Company produced bronze galvanos of his portraits. A galvano is a uniface rendering with the back typically filled with lead or another material to provide support. The galvanos were created in two sizes, 2-3/4-inch diameter and 5-inch diameter. There are 38 different subjects and 41 varieties known today. The majority of these galvanos are found in museums including the American Numismatic Society, the Art Institute of Chicago, the Massachusetts Historical Society, the Musee d'Orsay in Paris, the Smithsonian Institution, the University of Reno, and the Whitney Western Art Museum. Examples in private hands are extremely rare, including 18 different examples that Heritage Auctions will offer in our June 2018 Long Beach sale.



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AT-ZI-DI
Probably Navajo
(1904) Sawyer Bronze Galvano

Sold For: \$1,140.00



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(1904) Bronze Galvano, Edward Warren Sawyer, AT-ZI-DI, Uncertain Tribe, Medallic Art Company. Uniface. 125 mm. Circa 1904 with incuse letters and illegible lettering at the lower right. The style of this sculpture, with incuse lettering, closely matches that of Yuma Indian Ne-I-So-Meh. The appearance of the individual, with a headband and hair in a bun at the back of the head, closely matches later Navajo natives in the Sawyer series. We know of only two examples of this galvano, both large diameter pieces. The other example is in the collection of the Whitney Western Art Museum in Cody, Wyoming.



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ISH-KI-LA-CAI
Probably Navajo
(1904) Sawyer Bronze Galvano

Sold For: \$1,500.00



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(1904) Bronze Galvano, Edward Warren Sawyer, ISH-KI-LA-CAI, Uncertain Tribe, Uncertain Location, Medallic Art Company. Uniface. 125 mm. Pleasing, semi-glossy olive-brown surfaces. Probably circa 1904, as the last two, with incuse lettering that differs from his other work. The lettering behind the Indian's shoulder is illegible. The hair style and bandana around the Indian's head suggest that AT-ZI-DI in the previous lot, and ISH-KI-LA-CAI in this lot are closely related and likely from the same tribe. We know of only two examples of this galvano, both large diameter pieces. The other example is in the collection of the Whitney Western Art Museum in Cody, Wyoming.



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**(1904) Navajo Indian CAPITAN
Unique Sawyer Bronze Galvano**

Sold For: \$4,320.00



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(1904) Bronze Galvano, Edward Warren Sawyer, CAPITAN, Navajo Tribe, Ganado, Arizona, Medalllic Art Company. Uniface. 125 mm. Circa 1904, this piece was sculpted on Sawyer's first western excursion to Ganado, Arizona. Attractive emerald patina appears on glossy chocolate-brown surfaces. A detailed census of 41 varieties of Sawyer medallions finds no other examples of the Capitan medallion in any private or museum collections.

A 63-year-old Native American named Capitan appeared in the 1920 Federal Census for St. Michaels, Apache County, Arizona, just under 30 miles from Ganado. While we are unable to confirm that they were the same, it seems likely. Capitan lived with his two wives aged 60 and 30, and his six year old daughter, Grace Capitan. He was a doctor according to that record.



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Navajo Indian EST-ZAN-LOPA
1904 Sawyer Bronze Galvano

Sold For: \$7,800.00



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1904 Bronze Galvano, Edward Warren Sawyer, EST-ZAN-LOPA, Navajo Tribe, Ganado, Arizona, Medallion Art Company. Uniface. 125 mm. Glossy chocolate-brown surfaces display traces of mahogany on the devices. Two large medallions are known, along with six small size (70 mm.) examples. This example and one other are the only galvanos known outside of museums. Our census has accounted for 216 medallions in total for all of the varieties. In his 1913 *American Journal of Numismatics* article titled "My Work Among the Indians," Sawyer noted that Est-Zan-Lopa was "a little girl basket weaver."



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(1904) Navajo Indian QUINLICHINI-NEZ

Undated Sawyer Bronze Galvano

Sold For: \$2,280.00



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(1904) Bronze Galvano, Edward Warren Sawyer, QUINLICHINI-NEZ, Navajo Tribe, Ganado, Arizona, Medallie Art Company. Uniface. 125 mm. Circa 1904 from Sawyer's first trip to Indian reservations. His 1904 trip was exclusively to the Navajo reservation at Ganado, Arizona. Pleasing mahogany and steel-brown with glossy surfaces. Just two examples of this medallion are known, and both are large diameter pieces. The other example is in the collection of the Whitney Western Art Museum in Cody, Wyoming.

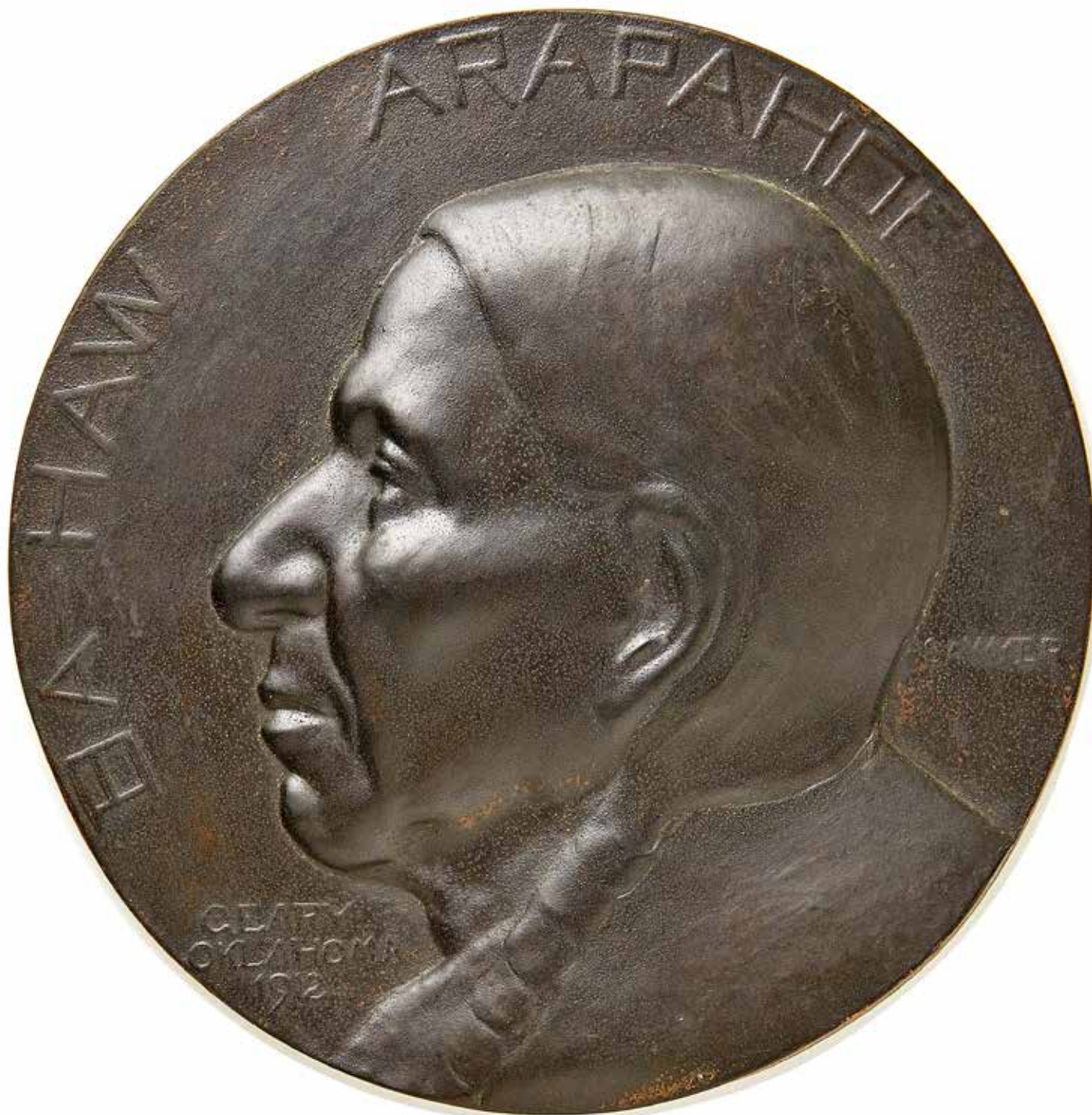
The *U.S. Indian Census Rolls* dated 1915 for Navajos living in the Cornfields, Ganado, and Wide Ruins Districts include the family of 78-year-old Kinlachenezy Nez who had one wife, three daughters, and two sons. He would have been 67 years old in 1904 when this relief was created. The connection is clearly plausible.



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Arapahoe Indian BA-HAW
1912 Sawyer Bronze Galvano

Sold For: \$1,440.00



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1912 Bronze Galvano, Edward Warren Sawyer, BA-HAW, Arapahoe Tribe, Geary, Oklahoma, Medallie Art Company. Uniface. 125 mm. Lustrous deep steel surfaces exhibit slight corrosion that creates an attractive stippled appearance. Two large size medallions and five small diameter pieces are currently identified. This is the only example that we know of outside of museums.

Ba-Haw was also known as “Big Boy” or “Thunder.” An Arapahoe named Thunder appeared in the 1903 Arapahoe Census. He was born about 1846 and was married to Julia Thunder who was born about 1865. They had a daughter, Clara Thunder, born about 1895, and a son, Frank Thunder, born in 1902.



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**Yuma Indian NE-I-SO-MEH
(1904) Sawyer Bronze Galvano**

Sold For: \$1,440.00



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Undated Bronze Galvano, Edward Warren Sawyer, NE-I-SO-MEH, Yuma Tribe, Yuma, Arizona, Medallie Art Company. Uniface. 125 mm. Intermingled mahogany and steel surfaces. Probably circa 1904, from Sawyer's first visit to Arizona. The lettering is incuse and the style is completely different from the majority of his work, suggesting this was one of his earliest works. A second version of this galvano exists with well-formed, raised letters, signed "Sawyer, Yuma, 1904."

The Yuma Indian Reservation is located in California, on the border with Arizona and near the Mexican border. The reservation was established in 1884, just two decades before Sawyer made his first trip to the American west. After visiting the Yuma reservation, he traveled to Ganado, Arizona. Ne-I-So-Meh was the first Indian that Sawyer sculpted.



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**Arapahoe Indian HAN-NI-AIT
1912 Sawyer Bronze Galvano**

Sold For: \$1,680.00



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1912 Bronze Galvano, Edward Warren Sawyer, HAN-NI-AIT, Arapahoe Tribe, Geary, Oklahoma, Medallie Art Company. Uniface. 125 mm. Reddish chocolate-brown surfaces exhibit traces of rose patina on the high points. Two large size and five small size examples are known, including this medallion that is the only one outside of museums.

Also known as Coyote Robe, he was born about 1864 and died in 1927. He appeared in a number of Oklahoma Indian Census Rolls, residing in Concho, Oklahoma, just 20 miles east of Geary. His wife was Long Hair, born about 1865. His daughter was Lottie Coyote, born about 1896, and his son was August Coyote Robe, born about 1901.



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**Cheyenne Indian MA-KI-NA-KO
1912 Sawyer Bronze Galvano**

Sold For: \$1,560.00



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1912 Bronze Galvano, Edward Warren Sawyer, MA-KI-NA-KO, Cheyenne Tribe, Lame Deer, Montana, Medallion Art Company. Uniface. 125 mm. Attractive reddish chocolate-brown surfaces show insignificant corrosion points. Two large medallions and five small size examples are known, and only one other is known in a private collection. Ma-Ki-Na-Ko was also known as Big Bear or Old Bear. He was apparently involved in the massacre of the Seventh Cavalry but no further information has been located.



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PORTRAIT GALVANOS OFFERED BY HERITAGE AUCTIONS

Crow Indian CURLEY
1912 Sawyer Bronze Galvano

Sold For: \$3,360.00



COLLECTION OF EDWARD WARREN SAWYER'S NATIVE AMERICAN PORTRAIT GALVANOS OFFERED BY HERITAGE AUCTIONS

1912 Bronze Galvano, Edward Warren Sawyer, CURLEY, Crow Tribe, Crow Agency, Montana, Medallie Art Company. Uniface. 125 mm. The famous Crow scout for Custer, his name appears as Curley or Curly in various sources. He is perhaps the best remembered of Sawyer's Indians today. The rich mahogany surfaces exhibit olive toning on the high points. This is the only example that we know of outside of museums. One other large size and five small size examples are known.

Curley was born about 1856 and died in 1923. He was buried at the Big Horn National Cemetery. He was a scout for Custer's battalion of the Seventh Cavalry who witnessed the battle at Little Big Horn. He was known to be the sole survivor of Custer's troops.



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Crow Indian ECH-SPA-DI-E-ASH
1912 Sawyer Bronze Galvano

Sold For: \$7,800.00



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1912 Bronze Galvano, Edward Warren Sawyer, ECH-SPA-DI-E-ASH, Crow Tribe, Crow Agency, Montana, Medallic Art Company. Uniface. 125 mm. Glossy, rich mahogany surfaces exhibit exquisite details. Two large size and five small size examples are known to the cataloger, and all others are held in museum collections.

He was also known as Other Medicine or Hunts the Enemy. He was a Crow medicine man who posed for the cover of *My Friend the Indian* by Major James McLaughlin, published in 1910.



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**Kickapoo Indian BE ME THA
1912 Sawyer Bronze Galvano**

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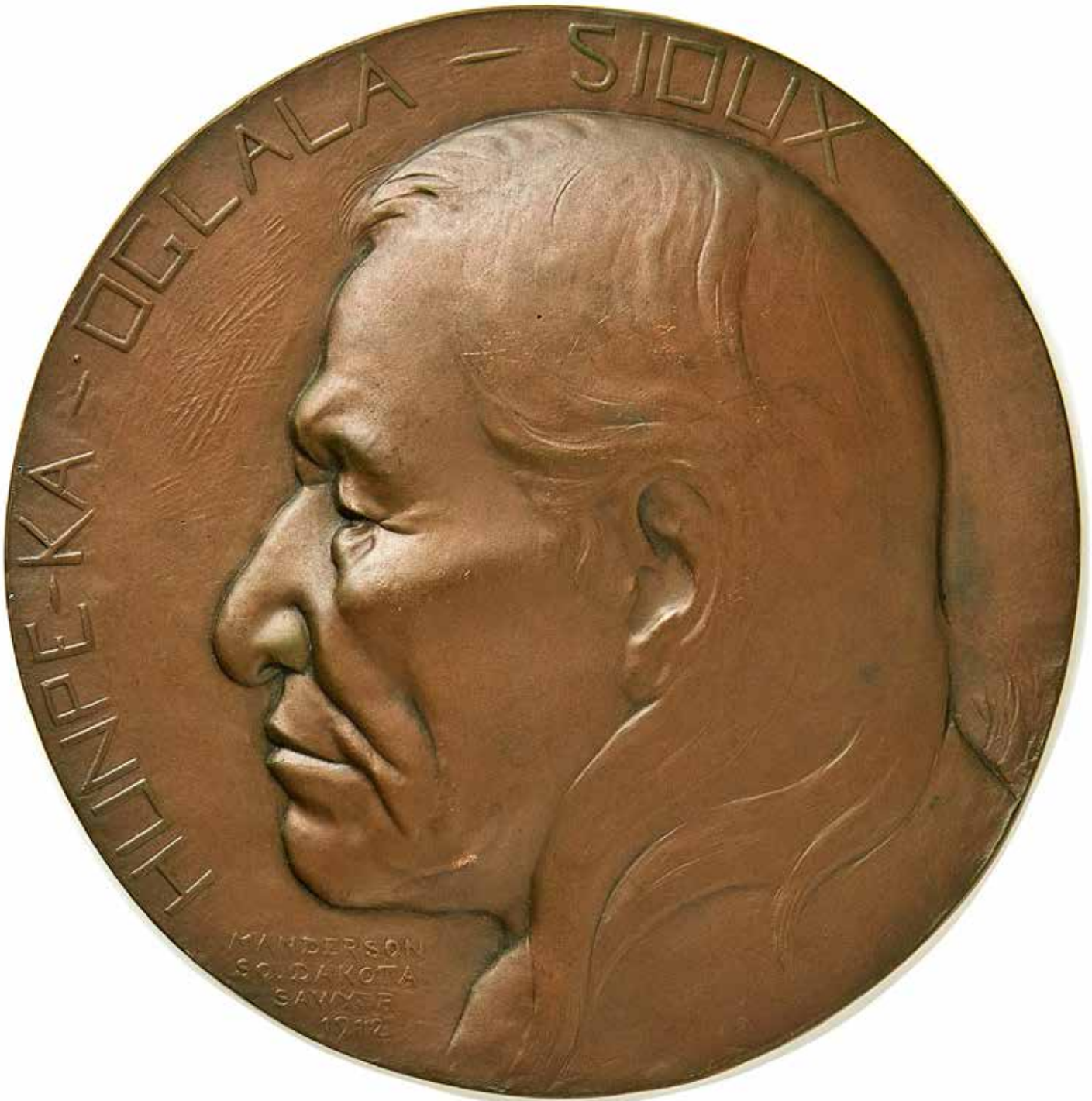
1912 Bronze Galvano, Edward Warren Sawyer, BE ME THA, Kickapoo Tribe, McLoud, Oklahoma, Medallie Art Company. Uniface. 125 mm. Glossy mahogany devices stand out against steel-brown fields. There are two large size and five small size examples of this medallion known to the cataloger. This is the only one of either size outside of museums.



COLLECTION OF EDWARD WARREN SAWYER'S NATIVE AMERICAN
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Oglala Sioux Indian HUNPE-KA
1912 Sawyer Bronze Galvano

Sold For: \$3,360.00



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1912 Bronze Galvano, Edward Warren Sawyer, HUNPE-KA, Oglala Sioux Tribe, Manderson, South Dakota, Medallion Art Company. Uniface. 125 mm. Outstanding light chocolate-brown surfaces with hints of olive. Two large size and five small size examples are known to the cataloger, and all others are in museum collections.

Hunpe-Ka was also known as Moccasins or Picket Pin. A 1907 interview at Manderson, South Dakota reveals that Picket Pin, or Hum-Pi-Ka, was 56 years old and the son of Little Wound, chief of the Ki-Ya-Xas band.



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PORTRAIT GALVANOS OFFERED BY HERITAGE AUCTIONS

Osage Indian KAH-WAH-SE
1912 Sawyer Bronze Galvano

Sold For: \$3,840.00



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1912 Bronze Galvano, Edward Warren Sawyer, KAH-WAH-SE, Osage Tribe, Pawhuska, Oklahoma, Medallie Art Company. Uniface. 125 mm. A pleasing example that exhibits semi-glossy light chocolate-brown surfaces. Like so many others in this offering, the cataloger is aware of two large size and five small size examples of this variety, with just one other in a private collection.

Kah-Wah-Se was also known as Yellow Horse and was a member of the E-Pa-Tsa clan of Osage Indians. He was married to Kea-Sum-Pa of the Pon-Ka Peace Maker clan. Yellow Horse appeared in several *Indian Census Rolls* in the early 20th century for Oklahoma. A representative 1913 Census states that he was born about 1857, and that he had a 46-year-old wife named Ke-Ah-Som-Pah, a 20-year-old daughter named Pun-Kah-Me-Tsa-He whose English name was Maggie Bates, a 16-year-old son named Ah-Kah-Hu whose English name was John Bates, and a 14-year-old daughter named Hun-Kah-Me-Tsa-He. The family also included two older sons who were born about 1887 and 1890.



COLLECTION OF EDWARD WARREN SAWYER'S NATIVE AMERICAN
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Pawnee Indian SAH-COOH-RU-TU-REE-HOO

1912 Sawyer Bronze Galvano

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1912 Bronze Galvano, Edward Warren Sawyer, SAH-COOH-RU-TU-REE-HOO, Pawnee Tribe, Pawnee, Oklahoma, Medallion Art Company. Uniface. 125 mm. Reddish steel-brown surfaces exhibit microscopic corrosion. This example and one other large size galvano are known, along with five small size examples, and all others are held in museum collections.

Sah-CooH-Ru-Tu-Ree-Hoo, also known as Big Sun or Seeing Eagle, was married to Pee-Ru-Ths, whose image was also sculpted by Sawyer. A 1903 *Census of Pawnee Indians* appears online at genealogytrails.com, and notes that Seeing Eagle was born about 1835. He was married to Maggie Peerootz who was born about 1864, and he had a stepson, Edgar Peetwotz, who was born about 1892.



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Pawnee Indian STAHP-PE-U
1912 Sawyer Bronze Galvano

Sold For: \$6,000.00



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1912 Bronze Galvano, Edward Warren Sawyer, STA-H-PE-U, Pawnee Tribe, Pawnee, Oklahoma, Medallion Art Company. Uniface. 125 mm. This lovely Indian maiden posed for Sawyer at a young age, retaining the appearance of a child. An attractive mahogany example, this medal exhibits rose patina on the high points with traces of greenish-steel verdigris. There are only seven examples known, including this large size piece and one other. The present representative is the only one known outside of museums.



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**Southern Cheyenne Indian NOCO-TO-MAH
1912 Sawyer Bronze Galvano**

Sold For: \$6,000.00



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1912 Bronze Galvano, Edward Warren Sawyer, NOCO-TO-MAH, Cheyenne Tribe, Geary, Oklahoma, Medallion Art Company. Uniface. 125 mm. Glossy magenta surfaces with excellent eye appeal. Two large size and six small size examples are known, including one other held in a private collection. Noco-To-Mah was also known as Bear Robe.



COLLECTION OF EDWARD WARREN SAWYER'S NATIVE AMERICAN
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Wichita Indian Chief TO-WAK-ONI-JIM
1912 Sawyer Bronze Galvano

Sold For: \$4,800.00



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1912 Bronze Galvano, Edward Warren Sawyer, Chief TO-WAK-ONI-JIM, Wichita Tribe, Anadarko, Oklahoma, Medallion Art Company. Uniface. 125 mm. Glossy rose surfaces provide excellent eye appeal. This example and another large size galvano in the collection of the Whitney Western Art Museum are known, along with five small size examples that are all in museum collections.

Sawyer wrote in his *American Journal of Numismatics* article that "Jim has been a great scout in his day and always friendly to Uncle Sam. He is a great orator and is found at many meetings speaking to his people." This chief of the Wichita tribe appears in the 1903 *Indian Census* as Jim Tow-Akoni, and in the 1911 Indian census as Jim-To-Wak-O-Ni, born about 1847. His wife was Hos-Que-Day-As-Sun-Odi-Say-Us, born about 1863. The 1903 Census reports a nine-year-old son whose English name was Grover Cleveland.



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Steel Planchet
AU58 NGC
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1965 Dime
Struck on a Silver
Dime Planchet
MS62 PCGS
Realized \$9,000



1971-D Quarter,
Brockage Reverse
Struck on Nickel Planchet
MS65 PCGS
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2000-D Maryland Quarter
Struck on Feeder Finger
Ungraded NGC
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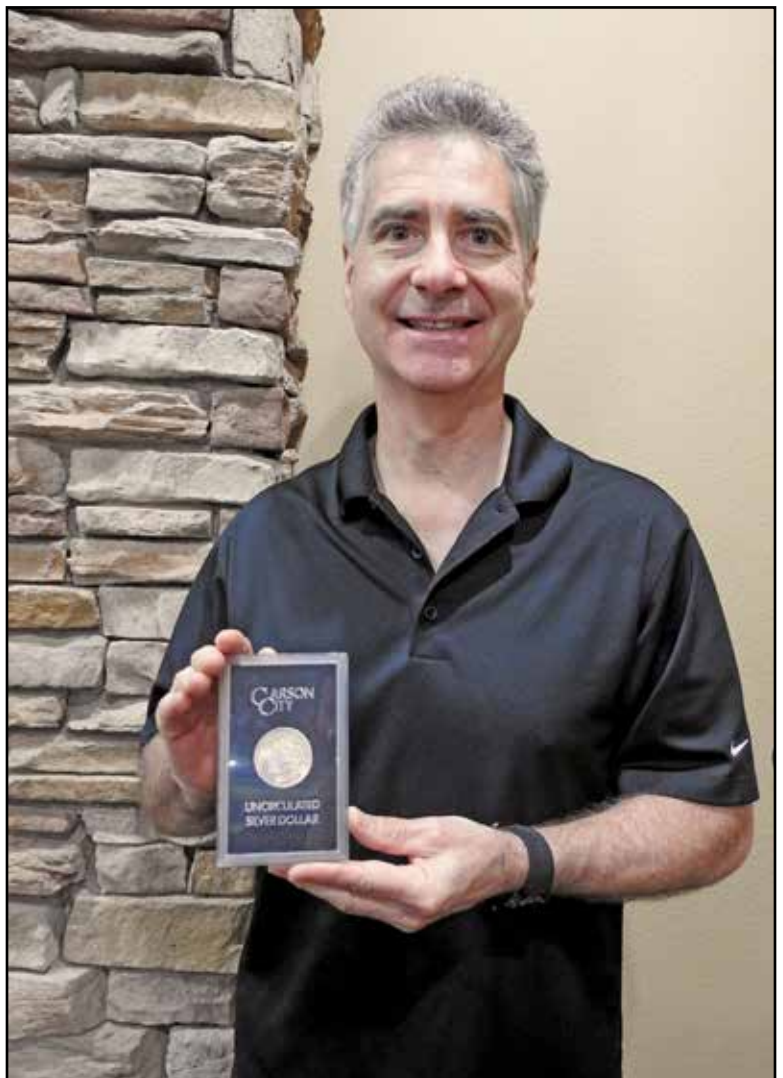
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A Closer Look: The GSA 1882 Carson City Morgan Dollar Off Center

**by David J. Camire
NCS President and NGC Finalizer**

There is more than meets the eye when looking at the 1882-CC off-center GSA Morgan dollar. Upon closer inspection some interesting facts are revealed!



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First, the planchet that the coin was struck on still shows signs of roller marks on the unstruck portion. This area is highlighted in Photo 1. They are fairly light and not visible on the struck portion of the coin.

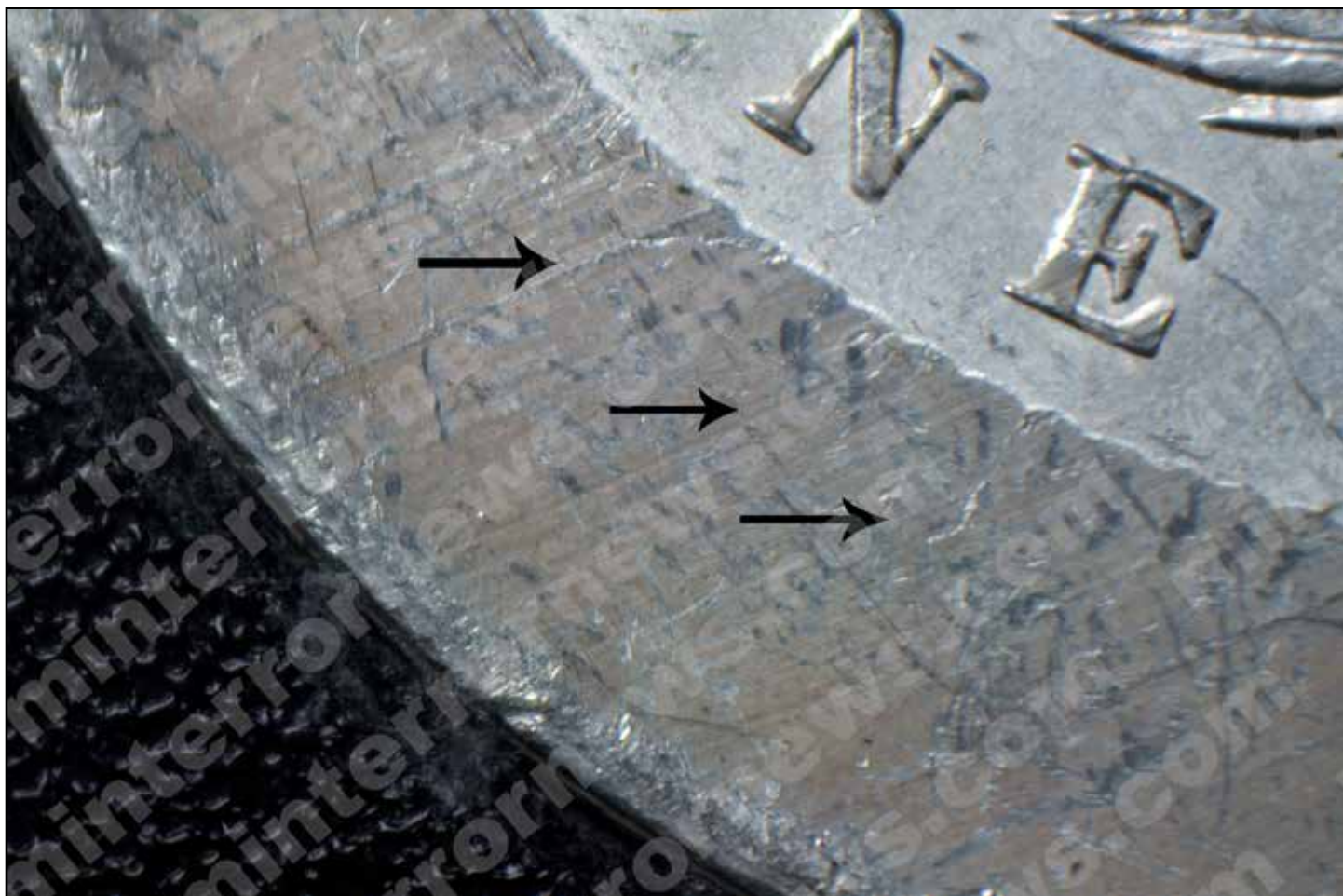


Photo 1

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Next, both the obverse and reverse dies show multiple clash marks. A clash occurs when a malfunction of the feeder operation prevents a planchet from entering the coining chamber. This results in the two dies coming together and striking each other. Depending on the spacing of the dies and the tonnage used to strike the coin, the damage to the dies can vary from minor to catastrophic. In this case, the marks are "typical" of those seen on Morgan dollars (Photos 2-8).

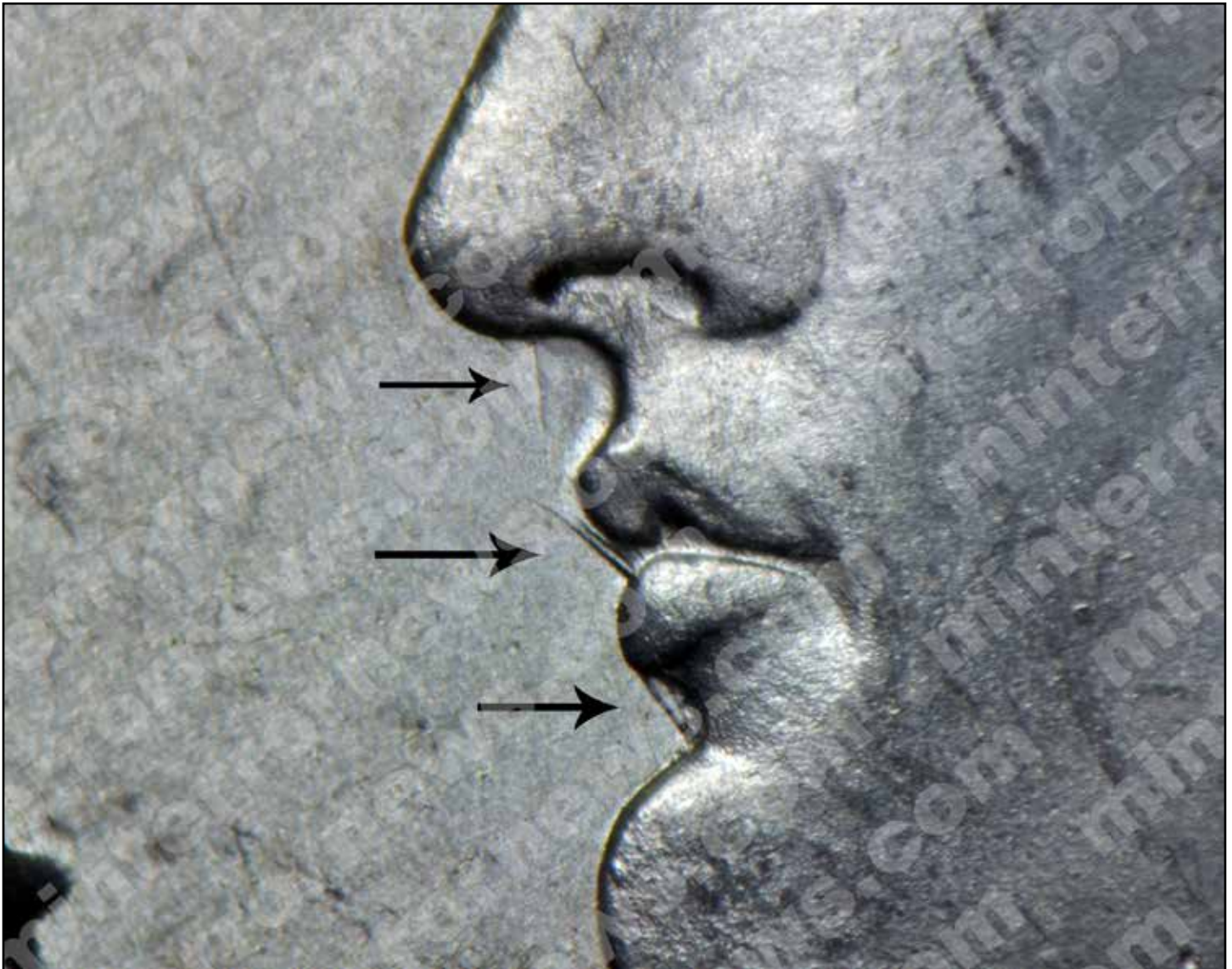


Photo 2

A Closer Look: The GSA 1882 Carson City Morgan Dollar Off Center

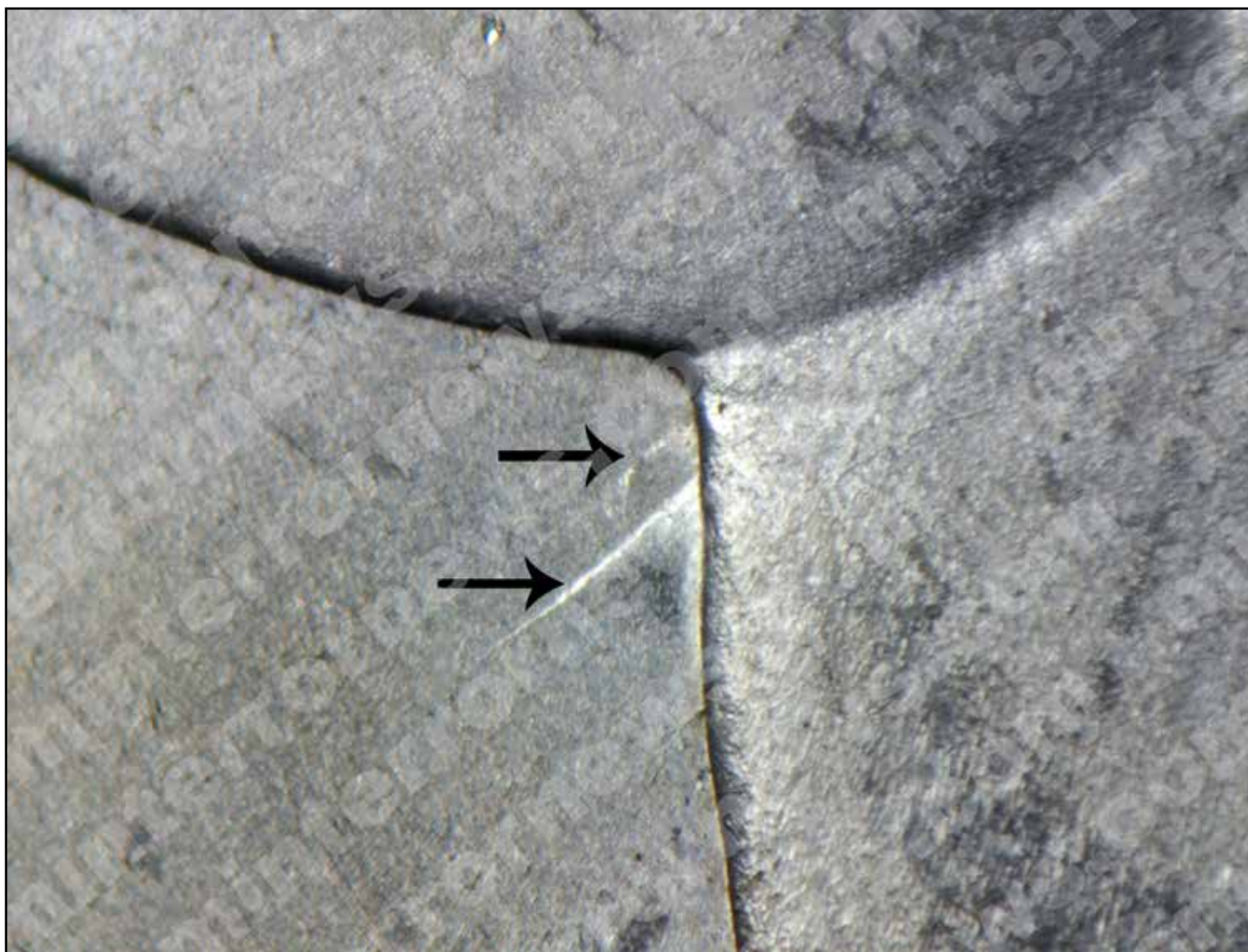


Photo 3

A Closer Look: The GSA 1882 Carson City Morgan Dollar Off Center



Photo 4

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Photo 5

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Photo 6

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Photo 7

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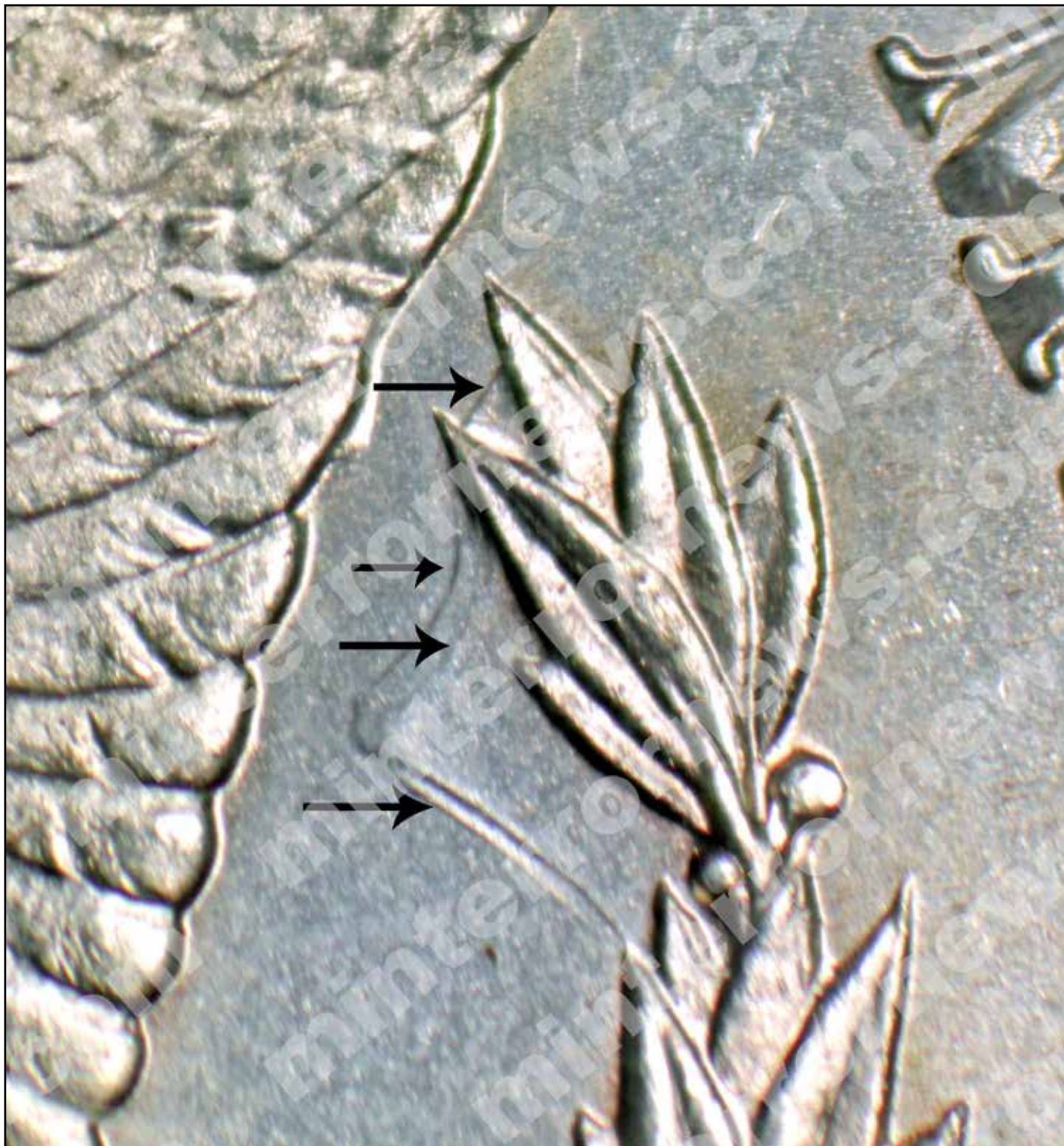


Photo 8

A Closer Look: The GSA 1882 Carson City Morgan Dollar Off Center

These clash marks along with other die markers, like the die lines behind the eagles head (Photo #9) and the placement of the mint mark (Photo #10), help to establish the VAM variety for this coin which is attributed to VAM-3A.



Photo 9

A Closer Look: The GSA 1882 Carson City Morgan Dollar Off Center



Photo 10

Private Mint News

Private mints and their issues have a long and illustrious history, but it is often hard to assemble, often years later without good documentation. When working with sovereign mints like the United States Mint, there is often a lot of archives and records available to research which is not available for private mints.

To address this, Private Mint News is a new online publication focusing on numismatics from by private mints. Private mint issues or creations, often in the form of tokens and medals called exnumia, is a rich and evolving area, however, research information can be thin on both classic and recent issues, especially the latter. The goal of Private Mint News is to assist in rectifying this situation by documenting and discussing issues from Private Mints of all eras.

Coverage includes private mints issuers of all eras and locations with an initial focus on the United States. Modern issuer coverage will include Daniel Carr of Moonlight Mint, Ron Lands of Gallery Mint Museum, Jared Grove of Grove Minting, Provident Metals, and other issuers. Classic issuers will include issuers of tokens, medals and coins including Civil War Tokens, So-Called Dollars, Territorial and Pioneer coins as well as Private Patterns.

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A SELECTION OF MY FAVORITE MINT ERRORS, PATTERNS & DIE TRIALS - PART FIVE -

by Mike Byers

Here are some more of my favorite Mint Errors, Patterns & Die Trials that I have handled throughout my 50 year career.

Pair of Indian Head Cent Die Caps Obverse & Reverse PCGS MS 64



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A SELECTION OF MY FAVORITE MINT ERRORS, PATTERNS & DIE TRIALS

1988 \$5 Federal Reserve Note Unique Double Denomination Error



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1915 Lincoln Cent Struck on Full-Size Nickel Planchet (75/25 Cu-Ni) PCGS XF 45 One of Two Known



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1866 \$2½ Struck on a 3 Cent Nickel Planchet
NGC MS 66
UNIQUE



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1875 20C Reverse Die Trial
Struck in White Metal
Judd Plate Coin J-A1875-1, Pollock-3398
PCGS MS 63 - 2 Known



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**1985 Canada \$100 National Parks Commemorative Gold Coin
Flip-Over & Double Struck
Second Strike 40% Off-Center
PCGS Proof 67 Deep Cameo - Extremely Rare**



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**1895-O Barber Dime
Obverse Die Cap
PCGS MS 64**



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1893 Barber Dime
Obverse Die Cap & Brockage Reverse
PCGS AU 55
UNIQUE



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1901 S/O \$5
Uncentered Broadstruck
NGC MS 65 DPL



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1802/1 \$5 Draped Bust Gold Triple Struck Obverse ANACS EF 45



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1869 Indian Cent Struck on Silver Dime Planchet PCGS AU 55



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1855 Large Cent
Obverse Die Cap
NGC AU 58 BN



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1847 1C
Obverse Die Cap
NGC MS 63 BN



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**1983-P Washington Quarter
Struck Over Arcade Token
“THIS IS MY LUCKY DAY”
NGC MS 65**



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**1982 Canada 10C
Muled with Cent Reverse Die
PCGS MS 62
Extremely Rare**



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1922 Peace Dollar
Flipover Double Struck in Collar
PCGS AU 58
Extremely Rare



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1990-D Lincoln Cent Struck on a 3.1 gram Copper Planchet
Pre-1983 Cent Planchet
PCGS MS 64 Brown
UNIQUE TRANSITIONAL



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1999-P Georgia State Quarter Broadstruck on Experimental Planchet PCGS MS 67 UNIQUE



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Unique 2000-P Massachusetts Quarter Struck on Experimental Planchet PCGS MS 65



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1964 Lincoln Cent
Struck on a Canceled India 1942 1/4 Rupee
NGC MS 61
UNIQUE



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Proof S-Mint State Quarter
Obverse Die Cap
NGC PF 68 Ultra Cameo
UNIQUE



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**1974 Jefferson Nickel
Struck Over A 1973 Jefferson Nickel
In Original 1974 Uncirculated Mint Set
NGC**



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**1995 Lincoln Cent Over Struck On A 1991-P Roosevelt Dime
Double Denomination (4 Years Apart)
NGC MS 66
1 of 2 Known**



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1973-S U.S. Quarters Mated Pair Struck Together Gem Proof - PCGS UNIQUE



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1965 Washington Quarter Struck On A Nickel Planchet In Original SMS Mint Set NGC MS 66



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**1998-P Washington Quarter Pre-State Quarter (Eagle Reverse)
Multi-Struck on End of Feeder Finger**

NGC MS 65

UNIQUE



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**Franklin Half Dollar
Struck on a 1948 Lincoln Cent**

NGC MS 64 BN

UNIQUE



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1920 Buffalo Nickel
Struck 40% Off-Center on a Cent Planchet
PCGS MS 64 Brown
1 of 2 Known



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Proof Franklin Half Dollar
Struck 65% Off-Center on Proof Silver 25¢ Planchet
PCGS PR 65
Extremely Rare



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**1978-D Eisenhower Dollar Overstruck on a 1977-D Dime
Double Denomination & Dual Date**

NGC MS 66

UNIQUE



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1964 U.S. Nickels Mated Die Cap Pair

Gem Proof

NGC

UNIQUE



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1976-S Silver Ike Dollar Bicentennial Flip-Over Triple Struck And Large Broadstruck PCGS AU 58 UNIQUE



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Eisenhower Dollar Struck On A 10¢ Planchet That Was Indented Into Reverse of Coin NGC MS 65



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1963-D Franklin Half Dollar
Struck 25% Off-Center on a Quarter Planchet
60% Reverse Brockage
NGC MS 65



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2000 Sacagawea Dollar
Obverse Capped Die
NGC MS 66
UNIQUE



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**2000-P Jefferson Nickel Struck On A 1961 Lincoln Cent
Double Denomination
NGC MS 63 BN
UNIQUE**



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**1910 Lincoln Cent
Uniface Test Strike
PCGS AU 58**



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Ike Dollar Double Struck on a Dime Planchet PCGS MS 64



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Proof Ike Dollar Struck on a 2 Gram Aluminum Planchet PCGS Proof 64 Cameo



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1855 \$3 Indian Gold
Broadstruck
PCGS AU 50



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Unique Mint Error Discovery
Mated Pair of Franklin Half Dollars
PCGS



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Unique Dual Date/Dual State



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1858 Flying Eagle Cent Struck 30% Off-Center PCGS MS 63



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Chile 10 Pesos Double Struck on Feeder Finger



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Ike Dollar Struck on a 3.7g Clad Planchet PCGS MS 63 UNIQUE



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1866 5¢ J-517
Double Struck Mule Pattern
NGC MS 63 Brown



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1877 \$50 Reverse Hub Trial in Lead
Judd #A1877-11 Plate Coin
Unique
Authenticated by NGC



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1942 Walking Liberty Half Dollar Struck On A Silver Quarter Planchet PCGS MS 65



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1945-S Walking Liberty Half Struck On An El Salvador 25 Centavo Planchet NGC MS 63



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2¢ Piece
Reverse Die Cap / Brockage Obverse
PCGS MS 64 BN



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Cap Bust Dime
Obverse Mirror Brockage of Reverse
NGC MS 64



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**1860 \$5 Reverse Hub Trial Struck in Copper
Plate Coin Judd & Pollock**

Judd # A1860-6

NGC MS 64 Brown - UNIQUE



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**1855-C \$5 Liberty Gold
Reverse Die Break (Cud)
NGC MS 61**



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Morgan Dollar
Struck 20% O/C & Brockage Reverse
PCGS VG 10
UNIQUE



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Unique Pair of Paquet Splashers
Andrew Johnson Indian Peace Medals



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1822 Cap Bust Half Dollar
Struck in Copper
Judd Plate Coin J-A1822-1
NGC MS 64 Brown



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Unique U.S. Territorial Gold Error



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1871 Standard Silver Dollar Pattern J-1133

Double Struck

PCGS PROOF 63



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Unique Pair of 1825 English Gold Sovereign Die Trials

Obverse & Reverse

Uniface Pattern Strikes

PCGS



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**1805 Draped Bust Quarter
Double Struck
PCGS AU 50**



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**1795 Flowing Hair Dollar
Struck 5% Off-Center
NGC VF 20**



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Mint Error News Price Guide

- Updated October 2025 -

This price guide is brought to you by Mint Error News. It has been compiled by many of the top major mint error dealers.

This price guide is a guide. Prices fluctuate due to the date, grade, eye appeal and how dramatic the striking error is. Rarity is also a factor. The price is sometimes based on the rarity and grade of the type of coin as well as how rare the error is. The price can also vary depending on whether two collectors are bidding for the same rare major mint error. When purchasing a mint error, it is important to use multiple resources to determine value, as there are many mint errors that do not fit into one category.

Proof Errors (Updated October 2025)



Proof coins are struck by technicians who hand feed the blanks into special presses. They are produced, examined, and packaged using extreme quality control. It is very unusual to find major proof errors. A few broadstrikes, off-centers, double strikes in collars and off-metals have been known to be found in sealed proof sets. Proof errors are aggressively sought after by many error collectors.

A very small group of Proof errors recently came from a collection that was auctioned by the State of California. The U.S. Secret Service inspected and released this collection to the State of California determining that it was legal to own. The State of California then auctioned the collection and it has been dispersed since the sale.

Denomination	Broadstrikes	Die Trials	Double/Triple Strikes	Off-Center Strikes	Partial Collar Errors
Proof Lincoln Cent	\$500	\$1,000	\$1,500	\$2,000	\$500
Proof Jefferson Nickel	\$1,000	\$1,000	\$2,500	\$2,000	\$1,000
Proof Clad Dime	\$1,000	\$1,500	\$2,500	\$2,500	\$1,250
Proof Clad Quarter	\$1,000	\$1,500	\$2,500	\$2,500	\$1,250
Proof Clad Half	\$2,500	\$2,000	\$5,000	\$1,500	\$2,000
Proof Ike Dollar	\$15,000	-	\$25,000	-	\$4,000
Presidential Dollar	-	-	-	-	3 Known

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Broadstrikes (Updated October 2025)



A broadstruck error occurs when a coin is struck without the collar to form the rim and edge that is part of the shape of the coin. Coins can be broadstruck on either type one or type two planchets. When a coin is broadstruck the blank being fed into the collar will spread and distort outward as it is being struck because the collar isn't in the correct position to retain it.

Denomination	(Small) XF/AU	(Small) Unc	(Large) XF/AU	(Large) Unc
Large Cent	\$150	\$300	\$400	\$1,500
Flying Eagle Cent (1857 – 1858)	\$1,000	\$2,500	\$1,500	\$7,500
Indian Cent	\$50	\$150	\$200	\$350
Lincoln Cent 1930 and Earlier	\$50	\$150	\$100	\$250
Lincoln Cent 1943 Steel	\$40	\$100	\$75	\$200
Proof Lincoln Cent	N/A	\$750	N/A	\$1,000
3 Cent Nickel	\$250	\$1,000	\$400	\$1,500
3 Cent Silver	\$1,000	\$3,500	\$1,500	\$5,000
Shield Nickel	\$400	\$1,250	\$1,000	\$2,500
Liberty Nickel	\$150	\$300	\$200	\$600
Buffalo Nickel	\$100	\$200	\$200	\$500
Jefferson Nickel War Time	\$100	\$200	\$200	\$500
Proof Jefferson Nickel	N/A	\$750	N/A	\$1,000
Seated Half Dime Legend	\$500	\$1,500	\$1,000	\$2,500
Seated Dime Legend	\$500	\$1,500	\$1,000	\$2,500
Barber Dime	\$150	\$250	\$200	\$400
Mercury Dime	\$40	\$150	\$150	\$250
Proof Clad Dime	N/A	\$750	N/A	\$1,000
Barber Quarter	\$600	\$1,250	\$1,000	\$2,500
Standing Liberty Quarter	\$2,000	\$4,000	\$3,000	\$6,000
Washington Quarter Silver	\$75	\$150	\$100	\$250
State Quarter	N/A	\$25	N/A	\$50
Proof Clad Quarter	N/A	\$750	N/A	\$1,000
Barber Half	\$1,000	\$2,000	\$2,000	\$4,000
Walking Liberty Half	\$3,000	\$5,000	\$4,000	\$7,000
Franklin Half	\$1,500	\$3,000	\$2,000	\$4,000
Kennedy Half Silver	\$150	\$250	\$200	\$300
Kennedy Half Clad	\$40	\$60	\$50	\$75
Proof Clad Half	N/A	\$1,000	N/A	\$2,000
Morgan Dollar	\$200	\$500	\$400	\$1,000
Peace Dollar	\$5,000	\$7,500	\$6,000	\$10,000
IKE Dollar	\$100	\$150	\$150	\$200
SBA Dollar	\$50	\$75	\$100	\$200
Sac Dollar	N/A	\$300	N/A	\$1,000
Presidential Dollar	N/A	\$1,500	N/A	\$2,500

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Partial Collars (Updated October 2025)



Partial collar strikes occur when there is a malfunction of the striking press. This causes the collar to be in an incorrect position. The lower die (usually the reverse die) is recessed in the collar. This allows the coin which is going to be struck to have a formed rim. After a coin is struck the lower die raises upwards, pushing the struck coin out of the collar and ejecting it. If a blank entering the collar is not properly seated, it will only have partial reeding as it is struck. The edge of this coin will have a partial reeding and a partial blank surface area. Recently, the Mint has installed new machinery where either die can be installed in either position.

Denomination	XF/AU	Unc
Large Cent	\$100	\$200
Flying Eagle Cent (1857 – 1858)	\$500	\$1,500
Indian Cent	\$35	\$100
Lincoln Cent 1930 and Earlier	\$30	\$100
Lincoln Cent 1943 Steel	\$25	\$50
Proof Lincoln Cent	N/A	\$750
3 Cent Nickel	\$150	\$500
3 Cent Silver	\$250	\$750
Shield Nickel	\$200	\$600
Liberty Nickel	\$50	\$150
Buffalo Nickel	\$50	\$75
Jefferson Nickel War Time	\$40	\$60
Proof Jefferson Nickel	N/A	\$1,000
Seated Half Dime Legend	\$750	\$1,500
Seated Dime Legend	\$500	\$1,250
Barber Dime	\$75	\$150
Mercury Dime	\$30	\$100
Proof Clad Dime	N/A	\$1,250
Barber Quarter	\$300	\$750
Standing Liberty Quarter	\$1,250	\$2,000
Washington Quarter Silver	\$40	\$75
State Quarter	N/A	\$15
Proof Clad Quarter	N/A	\$1,500
Barber Half	\$1,000	\$1,500
Walking Liberty Half	\$1,500	\$3,500
Franklin Half	\$500	\$1,000
Kennedy Half Silver	\$50	\$100
Kennedy Half Clad	\$20	\$30
Proof Clad Half	N/A	\$2,000
Morgan Dollar	\$150	\$300
Peace Dollar	\$1,000	\$2,500
IKE Dollar	\$50	\$100
SBA Dollar	\$20	\$30
Sac Dollar	N/A	\$100
Presidential Dollar	N/A	\$400
\$1 Gold Type 1	\$1,000	\$2,000
\$1 Gold Type 2	\$2,000	\$3,000
\$1 Gold Type 3	\$1,000	\$2,000
\$2½ Liberty	\$1,500	\$3,000
\$2½ Indian	\$2,000	\$3,000
\$3	\$5,000	\$10,000
\$5 Liberty	\$4,000	\$5,000
\$5 Indian	\$4,000	\$6,000
\$10 Liberty	\$4,000	\$7,500
\$10 Indian	\$7,500	\$10,000
\$20 Liberty Type 3	\$7,500	\$10,000

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Uniface Strikes (Updated October 2025)



Uniface coins occur when there have been two blank planchets in the press at the same time. The other blank will obstruct the die on either the obverse or reverse side, which will prevent it from having that design on the coin. There are many different variations involving uniface errors. In addition to having a 100% blank obverse or reverse, a coin can be struck off-center, with a blank planchet in the collar which will obstruct one side of the off-center. There are also mated pairs which have a combination of multiple errors which can include a side which is uniface. Finally, there are uniface strikes due to a die cap which adhered to the die, forming itself in the shape of a die and striking blank planchets.

Denomination	Uniface Obverse XF	Uniface Obverse Unc	Uniface Reverse XF	Uniface Reverse Unc
Large Cent	\$1,500	\$4,000	\$1,250	\$2,000
Indian Cent	\$750	\$3,000	\$700	\$2,500
Lincoln Cent 1943 Steel	\$250	\$500	\$200	\$400
Lincoln Cent Wheat Ears	\$50	\$100	\$40	\$75
3 Cent Nickel	\$1,500	\$3,000	\$1,250	\$2,500
Shield Nickel	\$1,750	\$4,000	\$1,500	\$3,000
Liberty Nickel	\$2,000	\$3,500	\$1,500	\$3,000
Buffalo Nickel	\$2,250	\$3,000	\$2,000	\$2,500
Jefferson Nickel War Time	\$300	\$750	\$250	\$500
Jefferson Nickel	\$20	\$40	\$20	\$40
Barber Dime	\$2,000	\$3,000	\$1,500	\$2,500
Mercury Dime	\$1,500	\$2,500	\$1,250	\$2,250
Roosevelt Dime Silver	\$100	\$150	\$100	\$150
Roosevelt Dime Clad	\$40	\$75	\$35	\$60
Washington Quarter Silver	\$400	\$750	\$350	\$500
Washington Quarter Clad	\$100	\$125	\$75	\$100
State Quarter	N/A	\$300	N/A	\$500
Kennedy Half Clad	\$750	\$1,000	\$500	\$750
IKE Dollar	\$2,000	\$4,000	N/A	\$3,000
SBA Dollar	\$500	\$1,000	N/A	\$750
Sac Dollar	\$750	\$1,500	N/A	\$1,000

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Bonded Coins (Updated October 2025)



Bonded coins occur when the feeder system, which supplies blank planchets to the coin press, malfunctions and jams. When this occurs, a struck coin is not properly ejected and another planchet is fed into the collar and is struck. This struck coin will land on top of the previously unejected strike. These coins will then crush and bond together. This may occur many times as more coins bond.

Denomination	2 Planchets	3-4 Planchets	5-10 Planchets
Lincoln Cent Wheat Ears	\$5,000	\$15,000	—
Lincoln Cent Memorial	\$600	\$2,000	\$5,000 - \$10,000
Jefferson Nickel	\$1,250	\$5,000	\$6,000 - \$10,000
Roosevelt Dime Silver	\$4,000	\$12,500	—
Roosevelt Dime Clad	\$1,500	\$5,000	\$10,000
Washington Quarter Silver	\$7,500	—	—
Washington Quarter Clad	\$3,000	—	—
State Quarter	\$5,000	—	—
Kennedy Half Silver	\$12,500	—	—
Kennedy Half Clad	\$10,000	—	—
IKE Dollar	—	—	—
SBA Dollar	\$10,000	—	—
Sac Dollar	\$10,000	—	—

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Struck Fragments

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The blanking press takes the coils of metal strips and punches blanks out of it, ejecting the webbing at the other end. The webbing is cut into small scrap pieces to be melted and recycled. Occasionally a scrap piece will be mixed with the blank planchets and struck by the dies. Struck fragments are rare in the larger denominations. These can be uniface or die struck both sides and are very rare on type coins.

Denomination	Uniface	Die Struck Both Sides
Indian Cent	\$1,000	\$2,000
Lincoln Cent Wheat Ears	\$750	\$2,000
Lincoln Cent Memorial	\$75	\$125
3 Cent Nickel	\$3,000	\$3,500
Jefferson Nickel	\$100	\$200
Roosevelt Dime Silver	\$500	\$1,000
Roosevelt Dime Clad	\$150	\$250
Washington Quarter Silver	\$1,250	\$1,500
Washington Quarter Clad	\$200	\$300
State Quarter	\$750	\$1,000
Kennedy Half Silver	\$1,500	\$2,500
Kennedy Half Clad	\$750	\$1,250
IKE Dollar	\$4,000	\$6,000
SBA Dollar	\$2,000	\$3,000
Sac Dollar	\$2,000	\$4,000

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Mated Pairs (Updated October 2025)



Mated pairs involve two individual coins with different errors that were struck together at the same time. Mated pair error combinations can be found in most error types and come in many shapes and sizes. Mated pairs can be overlapped when one of the coins is struck off-center on top of another coin. Another type involves a brockage where a struck coin was perfectly centered on a blank and restruck. Some mated pairs involve a die cap where the cap and brockage coin are discovered together, but this is a scarce find.

The rarest mated pair type involves two die caps (obverse and reverse) where both dies were capped at the same time and both die caps are mated. This last type is extremely rare and there are only a few known examples of mated pairs involving an obverse die cap and reverse die cap. There are several of these mated pairs known on Kennedy Halves including two dated 1976, which is the Bicentennial year. One of the most spectacular mated pairs involve two Barber Dimes, an obverse die cap mated to a reverse die cap and are unique.

Mated pairs can also involve an off-metal where a smaller blank planchet or smaller struck coin was struck on top of a larger coin. This type is extremely rare. The most spectacular pair known is a double struck Franklin Half which was mated to a Lincoln Cent. The Lincoln Cent blank was on top of the obverse of the struck Franklin Half. This pair was then struck together. It is unique.

Denomination	Overlapping	Full Brockage	Die Cap	2 Die Caps
Lincoln Cent Wheat Ears	\$3,500	\$4,500	\$7,500	—
Lincoln Cent Memorial	\$500	\$750	\$750	\$1,250
Liberty Nickel	—	\$20,000	—	—
Jefferson Nickel (pre War Time)	—	—	—	\$10,000
Jefferson Nickel	\$1,000	\$1,250	\$1,500	\$2,500
Barber Dime	—	—	—	\$50,000
Roosevelt Dime Silver	\$3,500	\$4,000	\$4,000	—
Roosevelt Dime Clad	\$1,250	\$1,500	\$2,500	\$3,000
Washington Quarter Silver	\$5,000	—	—	—
Washington Quarter Clad	\$2,000	\$2,500	\$5,000	\$7,500
State Quarter	\$4,000	\$6,000	\$10,000	—
Kennedy Half Silver	\$7,500	\$7,500	\$7,500	\$12,500
Kennedy Half Clad	\$4,000	\$5,000	\$6,000	\$7,500
Kennedy Half Bicentennial	\$6,000	\$7,500	\$7,500	\$10,000
IKE Dollar	\$20,000	—	—	—
SBA Dollar	\$10,000	\$12,500	—	—
Sac Dollar	—	—	—	—

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Transitional Errors (Updated October 2025)



A transitional error occurs when a coin is struck on a planchet from a previous year with different metal composition. The most famous transitional is a 1943 copper cent struck on a 1942 copper blank. 1943 cents were struck in steel because of the copper shortage during World War II. Other famous transitionals include 1965 coinage struck in silver instead of clad.

There are also transitionals struck on blanks for the next year. An example is 1964 coinage in clad instead of silver. Most recently, transitionals were discovered involving the SBA and Sacagawea Dollars of 1999 and 2000. There are eight known 1999 SBA Dollars struck on the brass planchet for the 2000 Sacagawea Dollar, and four known 2000 Sacagawea Dollars struck on a clad planchet for the 1999 SBA Dollar.

Denomination	Off-Metal Planchet	Circulated	AU	Unc	Choice Unc – Gem
Lincoln Cent 1943 Transitional	Copper Cent Planchet	\$200,000	\$250,000	\$300,000	\$350,000
Lincoln Cent 1944 Transitional	Steel Cent Planchet	\$30,000	\$50,000	\$100,000	\$150,000
Lincoln Cent 1964 Transitional	Clad Dime Planchet	\$2,000	\$3,000	\$3,500	\$4,000
Lincoln Cent 1965 Transitional	Silver Dime Planchet	\$2,750	\$4,500	\$6,000	\$7,500
Roosevelt Dime 1964 Transitional	Clad Dime Planchet	\$5,000	\$6,500	\$7,500	\$8,500
Roosevelt Dime 1965 Transitional	Silver Dime Planchet	\$5,000	\$6,500	\$7,500	\$8,500
Washington Quarter 1964 Transitional	Clad Quarter Planchet	\$5,000	\$6,500	\$7,500	\$12,500
Washington Quarter 1965 Transitional	Silver Quarter Planchet	\$5,000	\$6,500	\$7,500	\$8,500
Kennedy Half 1964 Transitional	Clad Half Planchet	\$3,500	\$4,500	\$6,000	\$10,000
Kennedy Half 1965 Transitional	Silver Half Planchet	\$5,000	\$6,500	\$7,500	\$10,000
Kennedy Half 1964 Transitional	Clad Quarter Planchet	\$2,000	\$3,000	\$4,000	\$5,000
Kennedy Half 1965 Transitional	Silver Quarter Planchet	\$7,000	\$8,000	\$9,000	\$10,000
Ike Dollar Transitional	40% Silver Planchet	\$2,750	\$3,000	\$3,500	\$5,000
SBA Dollar Transitional	Sacagawea Planchet	N/A	N/A	\$7,500	\$10,000
Sacagawea Dollar Transitional	SBA Planchet	N/A	N/A	\$7,500	\$10,000

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U.S. Gold Errors (Updated October 2025)



Major mint errors on U.S. Gold coins are the most prized category of all mint errors. Gold errors are very rare and a few have traded in the \$75,000 to \$100,000 range. Even a broadstruck U.S. Gold coin can easily sell for \$15,000 to \$30,000 compared to a broadstruck Cent, Nickel, Dime or Quarter which all sell for well under \$10. Many serious collectors of Gold Errors have to wait patiently for months and sometimes even years to acquire that one special piece for their collection.

The prices listed here are for common dates in AU-Unc. Better dates and errors that are in gem condition are worth considerably more.

Denomination	Partial Collar	Broadstruck	Clipped Planchet	3% - 5% Off-Center	10% - 15% Off-Center
\$1 Gold Type 1	\$2,000	\$5,000	\$2,000	\$3,000	\$7,500
\$1 Gold Type 2	\$3,000	\$10,000	\$10,000	\$10,000	\$25,000
\$1 Gold Type 3	\$2,000	\$4,000	\$1,500	\$3,000	\$7,500
\$2½ Liberty	\$3,000	\$7,500	\$2,500	\$7,500	\$15,000
\$2½ Indian	\$3,000	\$7,500	\$2,500	\$3,000	\$7,500
\$3 Indian	\$5,000	\$15,000	\$5,000	\$15,000	\$35,000
\$5 Liberty	\$4,000	\$8,500	\$3,000	\$7,500	\$30,000
\$5 Indian	\$5,000	\$10,000	\$3,000	\$15,000	\$30,000
\$10 Liberty	\$4,000	\$20,000	\$3,000	\$15,000	\$30,000
\$10 Indian	\$5,000	\$20,000	\$5,000	\$30,000	\$60,000
\$20 Liberty	\$5,000	\$20,000	\$7,500	\$50,000	\$125,000
\$20 St. Gaudens	—	—	\$5,000	—	—
\$5 American Eagle	\$1,000	\$2,000	\$750	\$2,500	\$3,500
\$10 American Eagle	\$1,250	\$2,500	\$1,000	\$3,000	\$3,500
\$25 American Eagle	\$1,500	\$3,000	\$1,500	\$3,500	\$5,000
\$50 American Eagle	\$2,000	\$5,000	\$2,000	\$5,000	\$10,000

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Indents (Updated October 2025)



An indent error occurs when two blanks are fed inadvertently into the same collar, with one blank partly overlaying on top of the other. When the hammer die strikes this combination, the upper blank will be forced into the lower blank, creating a depression which is shaped similar to the upper blank. A scarce type of indent occurs when a blank intended for one denomination lands on top of a blank from a different denomination.

Denomination	10% - 25% XF	30% - 50% XF	10% - 25% Unc	30% - 50% Unc
Large Cent	\$300	\$600	\$750	\$2,000
Indian Cent	\$250	\$500	\$400	\$750
Lincoln Cent 1943 Steel	\$100	\$300	\$175	\$500
Lincoln Cent Wheat Ears	\$30	\$75	\$75	\$125
3 Cent Nickel	\$500	\$1,250	\$1,500	\$3,000
Shield Nickel	\$500	\$1,500	\$2,000	\$3,000
Liberty Nickel	\$400	\$1,000	\$750	\$1,500
Buffalo Nickel	\$300	\$1,000	\$600	\$2,000
Jefferson Nickel War Time	\$200	\$400	\$400	\$750
Jefferson Nickel	\$10	\$25	\$15	\$30
Barber Dime	\$1,000	\$2,000	\$1,500	\$3,000
Mercury Dime	\$300	\$750	\$500	\$1,500
Roosevelt Dime Silver	\$30	\$60	\$50	\$100
Roosevelt Dime Clad	\$10	\$20	\$15	\$30
Washington Quarter Silver	\$100	\$200	\$150	\$300
Washington Quarter Clad	\$25	\$50	\$35	\$100
State Quarter	N/A	N/A	\$200	\$350
Kennedy Half Clad	\$150	\$300	\$200	\$400
IKE Dollar	\$350	\$1,000	\$500	\$2,500
SBA Dollar	\$200	\$400	\$250	\$500
Sac Dollar	\$300	\$500	\$400	\$750

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Die Caps (Updated October 2025)



Die caps are caused when a struck coin sticks to the upper hammer die. Once the coin is struck to the die face, the reverse of the struck coin becomes the new die face. When the next blank is fed into the collar and the strike occurs, the reverse design of the adhered struck coin impresses itself into the new blank. This struck coin is a brockage strike. The coin that adhered to the upper die is known as a die cap. This process repeats itself as more coins are struck by the cap. The greater the number of strikes, the higher the cap metal will be pushed around the upper die shaft. Eventually, the cap brakes away from the die in the shape of a thimble.

Denomination	Obverse Cap XF	Obverse Cap Unc	Reverse Cap XF	Reverse Cap Unc
Large Cent	\$25,000	\$50,000	—	—
Indian Cent 1859	\$20,000	\$40,000	—	—
Indian Cent 1860-1864	\$15,000	\$40,000	—	—
Indian Cent 1864-1909	\$15,000	\$30,000	\$2,500	\$7,500
Lincoln Cent 1943 Steel	—	—	—	—
Lincoln Cent Wheat Ears	\$1,000	\$2,500	\$500	\$1,000
Lincoln Cent Memorial	\$150	\$200	\$50	\$100
2 Cent Piece	\$20,000	\$50,000	\$15,000	\$30,000
3 Cent Nickel	—	—	—	—
Shield Nickel	—	—	—	—
Liberty Nickel	\$12,500	\$25,000	—	—
Buffalo Nickel (1 Known)	—	\$30,000	—	—
Jefferson Nickel War Time	\$10,000	—	—	—
Jefferson Nickel	\$200	\$350	\$150	\$250
Barber Dime	\$15,000	\$30,000	\$5,000	\$10,000
Mercury Dime (2 Known)	\$5,000	\$7,500	—	—
Roosevelt Dime Silver	\$750	\$1,250	\$500	\$750
Roosevelt Dime Clad	\$200	\$400	\$200	\$250
Barber Quarter	\$20,000	\$50,000	—	—
Washington Quarter Silver	\$1,500	\$4,000	\$1,500	\$2,000
Washington Quarter Clad	\$350	\$750	\$250	\$350
State Quarter	N/A	\$1,000	N/A	\$600
Kennedy Half Silver	\$3,000	\$5,000	\$2,000	\$3,000
Kennedy Half Clad	\$2,000	\$3,500	\$1,500	\$2,000
Kennedy Half Bicentennial	\$2,500	\$4,000	\$1,750	\$2,500
IKE Dollar	—	\$30,000	—	—
SBA Dollar	N/A	\$15,000	N/A	\$10,000
Sac Dollar	N/A	\$15,000	N/A	\$15,000

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Die Adjustment Strikes (Updated October 2025)



Die adjustment strikes are also known as die trials. This error occurs when a coin is struck from the press with very little pressure. When the press is being set up and adjusted, extremely weak strikes occur as the strike pressure reaches its optimum level. These die trials are destroyed after being struck and are rarely found in circulation.

Denomination	XF/AU	Unc
Indian Cent	\$1,000	\$2,000
Lincoln Cent Wheat Ear	\$200	\$300
Lincoln Cent 1943 Steel	\$750	\$1,500
Lincoln Cent Memorial	\$50	\$75
2 Cent	\$5,000	—
Liberty Nickel	\$3,000	\$5,000
Buffalo Nickel	\$4,000	\$7,500
Jefferson Nickel War Time	\$1,250	\$2,000
Jefferson Nickel	\$75	\$100
Proof Jefferson Nickel	N/A	\$1,000
Barber Dime	\$2,500	\$3,500
Mercury Dime	\$1,000	\$1,500
Roosevelt Dime Silver	\$350	\$500
Roosevelt Dime Clad	\$100	\$125
Seated Quarter	\$4,000	\$7,500
Standing Liberty Quarter	\$7,500	\$15,000
Washington Quarter Silver	\$500	\$750
Washington Quarter Clad (Pre-State)	\$125	\$150
State Quarter	N/A	\$200
Walking Liberty Half	\$2,500	\$5,000
Kennedy Half Silver	\$500	\$750
Kennedy Half Clad	\$200	\$250
Proof Kennedy Half 40% Silver	N/A	\$1,500
Proof Kennedy Half Clad	N/A	\$1,000
Morgan Dollar	\$1,500	\$2,500
Peace Dollar	\$7,000	\$10,000
IKE Dollar	\$300	\$400
IKE Dollar Bicentennial	\$350	\$500
SBA Dollar	N/A	\$500
Sac Dollar	N/A	\$1,000

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Double Denominations (Updated October 2025)



One of the most expensive, popular, and desired types of errors are the double denominations. This error happens when a coin is struck on a previously struck coin of a smaller denomination. Examples are a cent on a struck dime, and a nickel on a struck cent. The most dramatic are those with considerable design visible from the original strike. There are a few known double denominations with different dates.

Denomination	Struck On	Circulated	AU	Unc
Lincoln Cent Wheat Ears	Mercury Dime	\$6,000	\$12,500	\$20,000
Lincoln Cent Wheat Ears	Roosevelt Dime	\$4,000	\$5,000	\$6,000
Lincoln Cent Wheat Ears	Foreign Coin	\$2,000	\$2,500	—
Lincoln Cent Memorial	Roosevelt Dime Silver	\$3,000	\$4,500	\$6,000
Lincoln Cent Memorial	Roosevelt Dime Clad	N/A	N/A	\$750
Lincoln Cent Memorial	Foreign Coin	N/A	\$600	\$750
Jefferson Nickel	Lincoln Cent Wheat Ears	\$1,500	\$2,000	\$2,500
Jefferson Nickel	Lincoln Cent Memorial	N/A	\$750	\$1,000
Jefferson Nickel	Foreign Coin	\$1,000	\$1,250	\$1,500
Jefferson Nickel	Roosevelt Dime	\$1,000	\$1,250	\$1,500
Roosevelt Dime Silver	Foreign Coin	\$4,000	\$5,000	\$7,500
Roosevelt Dime Clad	Foreign Coin	\$3,000	\$4,000	\$5,000
Washington Quarter Silver	Lincoln Cent Wheat Ears	\$3,000	\$4,000	\$6,000
Washington Quarter Silver	Lincoln Cent Memorial	\$2,500	\$3,000	\$3,500
Washington Quarter Silver	Foreign Coin	\$2,500	\$3,000	\$3,500
Washington Quarter Silver	Jefferson Nickel	\$3,000	\$4,000	\$6,000
Washington Quarter Silver	Roosevelt Dime Silver	\$2,500	\$3,000	\$3,500
Washington Quarter Clad	Lincoln Cent Memorial	\$2,500	\$3,000	\$3,500
Washington Quarter Clad	Foreign Coin	\$2,000	\$2,500	\$3,000
Washington Quarter Clad	Jefferson Nickel	\$2,500	\$3,000	\$3,500
Washington Quarter Clad	Roosevelt Dime Clad	\$2,000	\$2,500	\$3,000
State Quarter	Jefferson Nickel	N/A	\$2,000	\$3,000
State Quarter (Extremely Rare)	Any Other Denomination	N/A	\$10,000	\$12,500
Franklin Half	Lincoln Cent Wheat Ears	\$7,500	\$12,500	\$25,000
Kennedy Half (Extremely Rare)	Any Denomination	\$7,500	\$10,000	\$12,500
IKE Dollar (Extremely Rare)	Any Denomination	\$15,000	\$20,000	\$25,000
Sac Dollar	Maryland State Quarter	N/A	\$3,000	\$4,000

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Brockages (Updated October 2025)



A brockage error can only occur when there are two coins involved. One of the coins involved will always be a struck coin which has not ejected properly. That struck coin will find its way back between the dies and will be struck next to a blank planchet which was fed into the collar. The image of that first struck coin will be impressed into that side of the blank planchet. The result will be a second coin which has images of the first coin impressed into it. Those images will be pressed into the coin and the image will be in reverse. This incuse sunken image is known as a brockage.

Denomination	50% Brockage XF	100% Brockage XF	50% Brockage Unc	100% Brockage Unc
Large Cent	\$600	\$1,000	\$3,000	\$10,000
Indian Cent	\$500	\$1,250	\$1,500	\$4,000
Lincoln Cent 1943 Steel	\$350	\$500	\$650	\$1,000
Lincoln Cent Wheat Ears	\$125	\$200	\$200	\$350
3 Cent Nickel	\$1,250	\$2,000	\$3,500	\$5,000
3 Cent Silver	\$2,000	\$3,000	\$3,000	\$6,000
Shield Nickel	\$1,500	\$2,500	\$3,500	\$5,000
Liberty Nickel	\$1,250	\$2,250	\$2,000	\$4,000
Buffalo Nickel	\$2,000	\$2,500	\$4,000	\$7,500
Jefferson Nickel War Time	\$250	\$750	\$750	\$1,500
Jefferson Nickel	\$50	\$75	\$50	\$150
Barber Dime	\$1,500	\$3,500	\$5,000	\$12,500
Mercury Dime	\$750	\$3,000	\$1,500	\$4,000
Roosevelt Dime Silver	\$100	\$200	\$150	\$250
Roosevelt Dime Clad	\$50	\$100	\$75	\$150
Washington Quarter Silver	\$200	\$500	\$500	\$1,000
Washington Quarter Clad	\$75	\$150	\$150	\$250
State Quarter	N/A	N/A	\$750	\$1,500
Kennedy Half Clad	N/A	N/A	\$650	\$1,500
IKE Dollar	\$1,500	\$4,000	\$3,000	\$10,000
SBA Dollar	N/A	N/A	\$500	\$2,500
Sac Dollar	N/A	N/A	\$1,500	\$5,000

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Double & Multiple Strikes (Updated October 2025)



When a blank planchet is struck by the dies, the normal procedure is for the feeders to eject the struck coin out of the collar and into a chute. If there is a malfunction and the struck coin isn't ejected, it may receive a second or third strike by the dies. A multiple struck coin can happen in many ways and have many combinations of errors.

(Since each double and multiple strike can vary from being 10% off-center to 90% off-center, the prices listed below can be substantially more based on the percent off-center and dramatic overall look.)

Denomination	XF/AU	Unc
Large Cent	\$1,000	\$7,500
Indian Cent	\$600	\$1,000
Lincoln Cent 1930 and Earlier	\$850	\$1,500
Lincoln Cent 1943 Steel	\$400	\$1,500
Proof Lincoln Cent	N/A	\$2,000
3 Cent Nickel	\$2,000	\$3,500
Liberty Nickel	\$4,000	\$10,000
Buffalo Nickel	\$5,000	\$10,000
Jefferson Nickel War Time	\$750	\$2,000
Proof Jefferson Nickel	N/A	\$2,000
Barber Dime	\$4,000	\$10,000
Mercury Dime	\$3,500	\$8,500
Proof Clad Dime	N/A	\$2,000
Standing Liberty Quarter	\$15,000	\$50,000
Washington Quarter Silver	\$200	\$350
State Quarter	N/A	\$350 – \$750
Proof Clad Quarter	N/A	\$2,000
Walking Liberty Half	\$10,000	\$25,000
Franklin Half	\$6,500	\$10,000
Kennedy Half Silver	\$1,500	\$2,500
Kennedy Half Clad	N/A	\$750
Proof Kennedy Half Clad	N/A	\$5,000
Morgan Dollar	\$10,000	\$25,000
Peace Dollar	\$15,000	\$40,000
IKE Dollar	\$2,000	\$4,000 - \$7,500
SBA Dollar	\$1,000	\$2,500 – \$4,000
Sac Dollar	\$750	\$1,250 – \$2,500

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Off-Center Strikes (Updated October 2025)



Off-center coins are one of the most common and best known types of errors. This happens when a blank which is supposed to be fed into the press, lands in the collar improperly. When this occurs only part of the blank is between the upper and lower dies. When the dies strike the blank, only that part will be struck with a design.

Denomination	10% - 15% XF/AU	25% - 60% XF/AU	10% - 15% Unc	25% - 60% Unc
Large Cent	\$400	\$2,500	\$1,000	\$10,000
Flying Eagle Cent (1857 – 1858)	\$2,500	\$10,000	\$5,000	\$20,000
Indian Cent	\$100	\$400	\$200	\$600
Lincoln Cent 1930 and Earlier	\$75	\$300	\$150	\$750
Lincoln Cent 1943 Steel	\$40	\$250	\$100	\$500
Proof Lincoln Cent	N/A	N/A	\$1,000	\$2,000
3 Cent Nickel	\$300	\$1,500	\$600	\$3,500
3 Cent Silver	\$1,000	\$5,000	\$2,000	\$7,500
Shield Nickel	\$750	\$2,500	\$1,000	\$7,500
Liberty Nickel	\$250	\$1,000	\$500	\$2,500
Buffalo Nickel	\$250	\$750	\$400	\$1,500
Jefferson Nickel War Time	\$100	\$500	\$200	\$1,000
Proof Jefferson Nickel	N/A	N/A	\$1,000	\$2,000
Seated Half Dime Legend	\$3,000	\$7,500	\$5,000	\$15,000
Seated Dime Legend	\$2,000	\$7,000	\$3,500	\$10,000
Barber Dime	\$300	\$1,500	\$500	\$2,500
Mercury Dime	\$100	\$750	\$150	\$1,250
Proof Clad Dime	N/A	N/A	\$1,000	\$2,000
Barber Quarter	\$1,500	\$5,000	\$2,500	\$10,000
Standing Liberty Quarter	\$5,000	\$20,000	\$20,000	\$40,000
Washington Quarter Silver	\$50	\$100	\$75	\$150
State Quarter	N/A	N/A	\$75	\$300
Proof Clad Quarter	N/A	N/A	\$1,500	\$2,000
Barber Half	\$4,000	\$10,000	\$6,000	\$20,000
Walking Liberty Half	\$4,000	\$12,500	\$7,500	\$20,000
Franklin Half	\$2,500	\$4,000	\$3,500	\$7,500
Kennedy Half Silver	\$100	\$500	\$250	\$1,000
Kennedy Half Clad	\$60	\$250	\$100	\$400
Proof Clad Half	N/A	N/A	\$1,500	\$3,000
Morgan Dollar	\$3,000	\$15,000	\$10,000	\$50,000
Peace Dollar	\$20,000	\$35,000	\$50,000	\$100,000
IKE Dollar	\$125	\$1,250	\$150	\$2,000
SBA Dollar	N/A	N/A	\$100	\$500
Sac Dollar	N/A	N/A	\$1,000	\$3,500
Presidential Dollar	—	—	\$1,500	\$5,000

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Off-Metals (Updated October 2025)



Off-metal and wrong planchet errors occur when a correctly made blank from one denomination is accidentally fed into a press for another denomination. Examples are a nickel struck on a cent planchet and a cent struck on a dime planchet. The coin struck on an incorrect blank will weigh exactly what the denomination of that blank would have been. An even more dramatic wrong planchet error is a coin struck on a previously struck coin of a different metal.

Denomination	Off-Metal Planchet	Circulated	AU	Unc	Choice Unc – Gem
Indian Cent	Foreign Planchet	\$1,000	\$1,500	\$5,000	\$7,500
Indian Cent	Dime Planchet	\$10,000	\$15,000	\$20,000	\$25,000
Lincoln Cent Before 1919	Dime Planchet	\$4,000	\$6,500	\$10,000	–
Lincoln Cent Before 1919	Foreign Planchet	\$750	\$2,000	\$4,000	–
Lincoln Cent 1919 – 1940	Dime Planchet	\$2,000	\$2,500	\$4,000	\$6,000
Lincoln Cent 1919 – 1940	Foreign Planchet	\$500	\$1,000	\$1,500	\$2,500
Lincoln Cent 1943 Steel	Dime Planchet	\$1,500	\$2,500	\$3,500	\$7,500
Lincoln Cent 1943 Transitional	Copper Cent Planchet	\$200,000	\$250,000	\$300,000	\$350,000
Lincoln Cent 1944 Transitional	Steel Cent Planchet	\$30,000	\$50,000	\$100,000	\$150,000
Lincoln Cent Wheat Ears (1941-1964)	Dime Planchet	\$500	\$600	\$1,000	\$2,000
Lincoln Cent 1965 and Later	Dime Planchet	\$125	\$150	\$200	\$350
Lincoln Cent 1964 Transitional	Clad Dime Planchet	\$2,000	\$3,000	\$3,500	\$4,000
Lincoln Cent 1965 Transitional	Silver Dime Planchet	\$2,750	\$4,500	\$6,000	\$7,500
Shield Nickel	Foreign Planchet	\$7,500	\$12,500	–	–
Shield Nickel	Cent Planchet	\$15,000	\$25,000	\$40,000	\$60,000
Liberty Nickel	Foreign Planchet	\$400	\$750	\$1,250	\$2,000
Liberty Nickel	Cent Planchet	\$2,000	\$3,000	\$6,000	\$7,500
Buffalo Nickel	Foreign Planchet	\$2,500	\$7,500	\$12,500	–
Buffalo Nickel	Cent Planchet	\$2,000	\$4,000	\$6,000	\$8,000
Jefferson Nickel Before 1950	Cent Planchet	\$250	\$500	\$750	\$1,000
Jefferson Nickel 1950 and Later	Cent Planchet	\$125	\$150	\$200	\$250
Jefferson Nickel 1943	Steel Cent Planchet	\$1,000	\$2,000	\$3,000	\$5,000
Jefferson Nickel 1964 and Earlier	Silver Dime Planchet	\$200	\$300	\$350	\$400
Jefferson Nickel 1965 and Later	Clad Dime Planchet	\$150	\$200	\$225	\$250
Roosevelt Dime Silver	Foreign Planchet	\$2,000	\$2,500	\$3,000	\$3,500
Roosevelt Dime Clad	Foreign Planchet	\$1,500	\$2,000	\$2,250	\$2,500
Roosevelt Dime 1964 Transitional	Clad Dime Planchet	\$5,000	\$6,500	\$10,000	\$12,500
Roosevelt Dime 1965 Transitional	Silver Dime Planchet	\$5,000	\$6,500	\$7,500	\$8,500
Washington Quarter Silver	Cent Planchet	\$300	\$400	\$500	\$750
Washington Quarter Silver	Nickel Planchet	\$300	\$400	\$500	\$600
Washington Quarter Clad	Cent Planchet	\$250	\$300	\$400	\$500

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Denomination	Off-Metal Planchet	Circulated	AU	Unc	Choice Unc – Gem
Washington Quarter Clad	Nickel Planchet	\$100	\$150	\$200	\$250
Washington Quarter	Silver Dime Planchet	\$300	\$400	\$500	\$650
Washington Quarter	Clad Dime Planchet	\$250	\$300	\$350	\$400
Washington Quarter 1964 Transitional	Clad Quarter Planchet	\$5,000	\$6,500	\$7,500	\$12,500
Washington Quarter 1965 Transitional	Silver Quarter Planchet	\$5,000	\$6,500	\$7,500	\$8,500
State Quarter	Cent Planchet	N/A	\$6,500	\$7,500	\$8,000
Delaware State Quarter	Nickel Planchet	N/A	\$500	\$650	\$750
All Other State Quarters	Nickel Planchet	N/A	\$1,000	\$1,250	\$1,500
State Quarter	Dime Planchet	N/A	\$5,000	\$5,500	\$6,000
Walking Half	Dime Planchet	N/A	N/A	N/A	\$50,000
Walking Half	Quarter Planchet	\$17,500	\$22,500	\$40,000	\$35,000
Walking Half	Foreign Planchet	\$10,000	\$15,000	\$30,000	\$25,000
Franklin Half	Cent Planchet	\$3,000	\$4,000	\$5,000	\$6,000
Franklin Half	Nickel Planchet	\$3,000	\$4,000	\$5,000	\$6,000
Franklin Half	Dime Planchet	\$3,500	\$4,500	\$5,500	\$6,500
Franklin Half	Quarter Planchet	\$600	\$750	\$1,000	\$1,250
Kennedy Half Silver 1964	Cent Planchet	\$1,000	\$1,250	\$1,500	\$2,000
Kennedy Half Silver 1964	Nickel Planchet	\$1,000	\$1,250	\$1,500	\$2,000
Kennedy Half Silver 1964	Dime Planchet	\$1,000	\$1,250	\$2,000	\$2,500
Kennedy Half Silver 1964	Quarter Planchet	\$400	\$500	\$600	\$750
Kennedy Half Clad	Cent Planchet	\$750	\$850	\$1,000	\$1,500
Kennedy Half Clad	Nickel Planchet	\$750	\$850	\$1,000	\$1,250
Kennedy Half Clad	Dime Planchet	\$750	\$850	\$1,000	\$1,400
Kennedy Half Clad	Quarter Planchet	\$350	\$400	\$450	\$500
Kennedy Half 1964 Transitional	Clad Half Planchet	\$3,500	\$4,500	\$6,000	\$10,000
Kennedy Half 1965 Transitional	Silver Half Planchet	\$5,000	\$6,500	\$7,500	\$10,000
Kennedy Half 1964 Transitional	Clad Quarter Planchet	\$2,000	\$3,000	\$4,000	\$5,000
Kennedy Half 1965 Transitional	Silver Quarter Planchet	\$7,000	\$8,000	\$9,000	\$10,000
Ike Dollar	Cent Planchet	\$7,500	\$10,000	\$12,500	\$15,000
Ike Dollar	Nickel Planchet	\$10,000	\$12,500	\$15,000	\$20,000
Ike Dollar	Dime Planchet	\$7,500	\$8,500	\$10,000	\$12,500
Ike Dollar	Quarter Planchet	\$7,000	\$10,000	\$12,500	\$15,000
Ike Dollar	Half Planchet	\$1,600	\$1,750	\$2,000	\$3,000
Ike Dollar	Foreign Planchet	\$900	\$1,000	\$1,250	\$1,500
Ike Dollar Transitional	40% Silver Planchet	\$2,750	\$3,000	\$3,500	\$5,000
SBA Dollar	Cent Planchet	N/A	\$1,750	\$3,000	\$5,000
SBA Dollar	Nickel Planchet	N/A	\$6,000	\$7,000	\$8,000
SBA Dollar	Dime Planchet	N/A	\$6,000	\$7,000	\$10,000
SBA Dollar	Quarter Planchet	N/A	\$600	\$850	\$1,000
Sac Dollar	Cent Planchet	N/A	\$12,500	\$15,000	\$20,000
Sac Dollar	Nickel Planchet	N/A	\$12,500	\$15,000	\$20,000
Sac Dollar	Dime Planchet	N/A	\$8,000	\$15,000	\$20,000
Sac Dollar	Quarter Planchet	N/A	\$1,500	\$2,000	\$2,500

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Counterbrockages

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A counterbrockage error involves a cap die and a previously struck coin. When a cap die strikes a previously struck coin, the obverse design from that struck coin will be impressed into the cap. The result will be a design where the cap face will be an incuse brockage. When a new blank is struck by this cap die with an incuse brockage image, the obverse will have a raised and spread image from that incuse design of the cap. This brockage impression is known as a counterbrockage.

Denomination	Circulated	AU	Unc	Choice Unc - Gem
Indian Cent	\$750	\$1,000	\$1,500	\$2,000
Lincoln Cent 1943 Steel	\$500	\$750	\$1,500	\$2,000
Lincoln Cent Wheat Ears	\$200	\$200	\$300	\$500
Lincoln Cent Memorial	\$40	\$50	\$75	\$100
Shield Nickel	\$1,500	\$2,000	\$4,000	\$5,000
Liberty Nickel	\$1,500	\$2,000	\$4,000	\$5,000
Jefferson Nickel	\$50	\$100	\$150	\$200
Barber Dime	\$3,000	\$5,000	\$7,500	\$10,000
Roosevelt Dime Silver	\$300	\$500	\$750	\$1,000
Roosevelt Dime Clad	\$100	\$150	\$250	\$300
Washington Quarter Silver	\$500	\$1,000	\$1,500	\$2,000
Washington Quarter Clad	\$100	\$200	\$300	\$400
State Quarter	N/A	\$750	\$1,250	\$1,500
Kennedy Half Silver	\$1,250	\$2,000	\$3,000	\$4,000
Kennedy Half Clad	\$500	\$750	\$1,250	\$1,500
SBA Dollar	N/A	\$2,000	\$3,000	\$4,000

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Fold-Over Strikes (Updated October 2025)



A fold-over coin is one of the most dramatic types of errors. It occurs when the blank is standing vertically between the dies. During the strike, the force is so great that it bends and folds the blank. These fold-overs can be on-center or off-center, and come in many different shapes. There are a few fold-overs with multiple errors, either with an additional strike or fold-over. Denominations above quarters are very scarce.

Denomination	AU	AU Dated	Unc	Unc Dated
Indian Cent Memorial Copper	\$1,000	\$1,250	\$1,250	\$1,500
Lincoln Cent Memorial Zinc	\$750	\$1,000	\$1,000	\$1,250
Jefferson Nickel	\$2,500	\$3,000	\$3,000	\$4,000
Roosevelt Dime Silver	\$4,000	\$5,000	\$5,000	\$6,000
Roosevelt Dime Clad	\$3,000	\$3,500	\$3,500	\$4,500
Washington Quarter Silver	\$4,000	\$5,000	\$5,000	\$10,000
Washington Quarter Clad	\$3,500	\$4,000	\$4,000	\$5,000
State Quarter	\$5,000	\$6,000	\$6,000	\$8,500

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Martha Washington Test Pieces (Updated October 2025)



There is one set of a Dime, Quarter and Half struck by Martha Washington dies that are permanently housed in the Smithsonian Institute, embedded in blocks of lucite. According to United States Pattern and Related Issues, by Andrew W. Pollock III, “the only trial pieces purported to have survived metallurgical testing in 1965 were the Dime, Quarter Dollar, and Half Dollar equivalent strikes in copper-nickel clad over copper.”

Mike Byers’ discovery of the Martha Washington Test Piece on a copper-zinc Cent planchet struck 10% off-center with a uniface reverse was a front page Coin World article on August 7th, 2000.

Denomination	Unc	Choice	Gem
Martha Cent	\$1,000	\$1,500	\$2,000
Martha Nickel	\$4,500	\$6,000	\$7,500
Martha Dime	\$7,500	\$10,000	\$12,500
Martha Quarter	\$1,000	\$1,500	\$3,000
Martha Half Dollar	\$5,000	\$7,500	\$10,000
Martha Dollar (SBA Planchet)	\$5,000	\$7,500	\$10,000
Martha Dollar (Sac Planchet)	\$1,000	\$1,500	\$2,000

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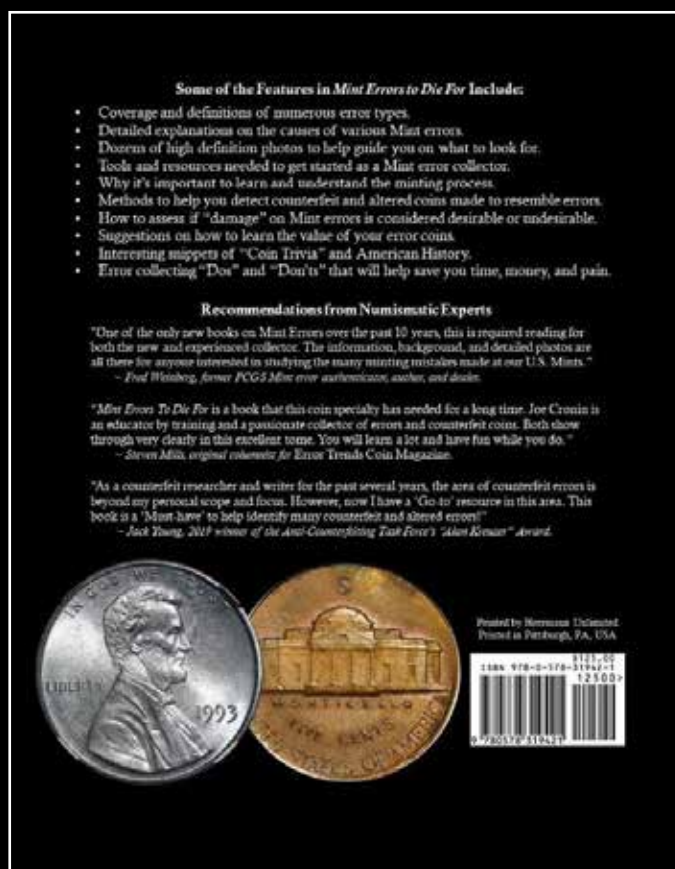
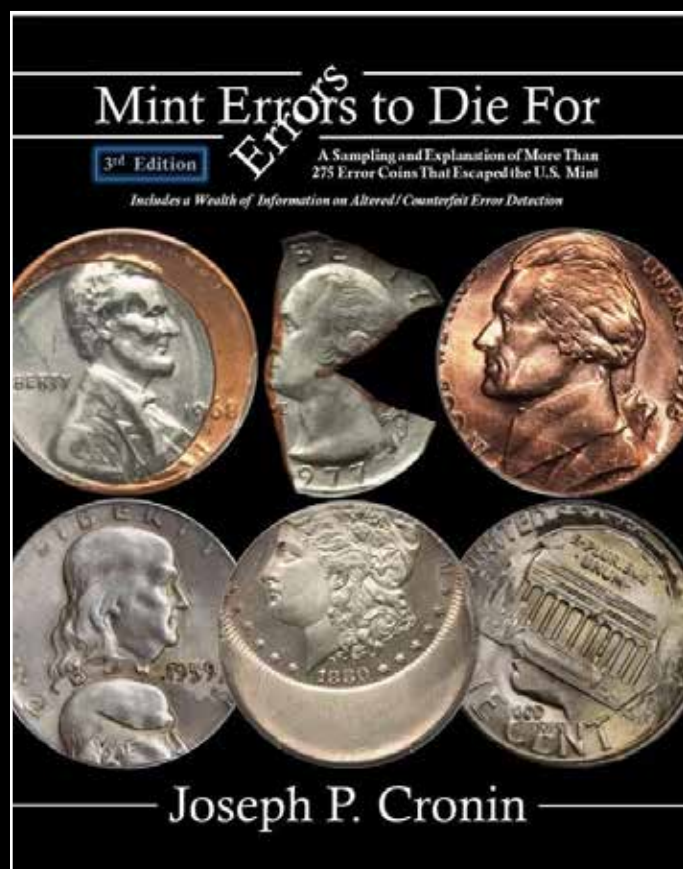
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Non-gold Coins Struck on Gold Planchets



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Coin Trivia: Though the 1913 Buffalo nickel is on a \$5 gold Half Eagle planchet, Mint errors on \$2.5 gold planchets include: Indian Head Cents: (3) 1900, 1905, 1906, and 1907. Lincoln Cents: 1911, 1915, and 1927

1913 (Type 2) Buffalo Nickel:

Struck on a \$5 Gold Half Eagle Planchet

Though there are nine known cents (six Indian Heads and three Lincolns) struck on gold Quarter Eagle (\$2.5) planchets, this is the only known Buffalo nickel struck on a gold planchet of any type; in this case, it's likely a \$5 gold Half Eagle planchet. (Some speculate it was made intentionally as were the five known 1913 Liberty nickels). Sadly someone cut into the rim on the reverse at 8 o'clock (see photo below) likely to prove it's just another plated novelty coin. Now even if you're 99.9% sure your suspect coin is a fake, don't ever, ever do that! As a result, PCGS gave it a "Genuine/AU Details" grade. It's no surprise that the psychological impact of PCGS' grade adversely affected its initial selling price: \$78,000 at Heritage Auctions in January of 2021 – a heck of a lot less than what many experts expected despite the damage.

In an interesting twist, Las Vegas rare coin dealer Mike Byers reacquired the coin and advocated it shouldn't have been given a "Genuine" label as there are a few other high-profile straight-graded coins/patterns with post-Mint alterations. NGC agreed and straight-graded it at AU-53; he later sold the coin privately for \$400,000! (Source: MikeByers.com/6324417-001.html)



What the Planchet Was Intended to Become

Below is a 1913 Indian Head \$5 gold Half Eagle, which is likely what the planchet for the featured 1913 Buffalo nickel was supposed to become. Seeing that U.S. Mint control of gold and silver planchets was so tight even back then, it is unknown if this is a true error or a Mint-assisted coin. (Photos courtesy of PCGS®
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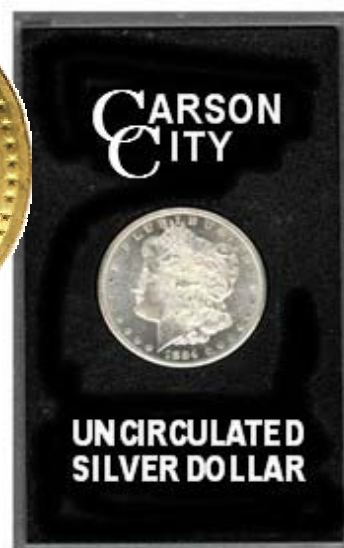


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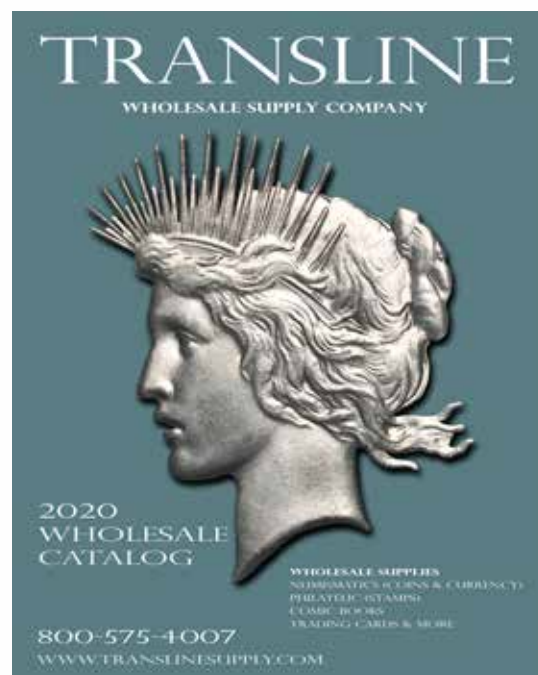
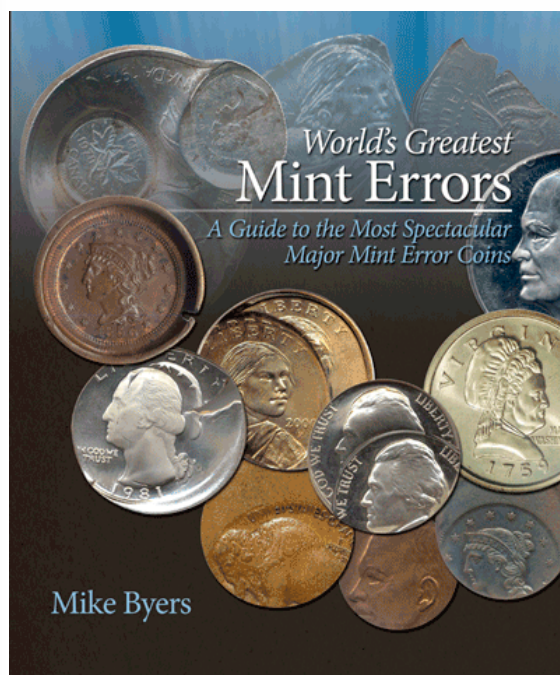


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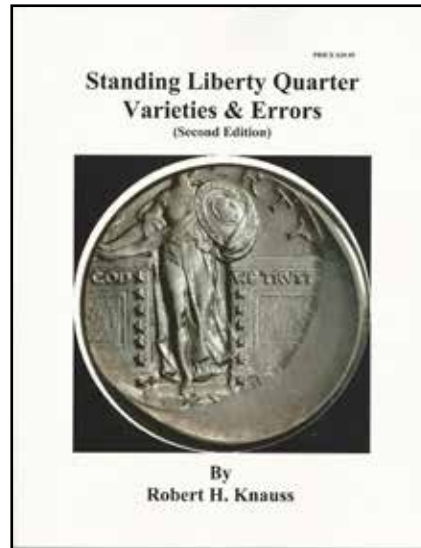
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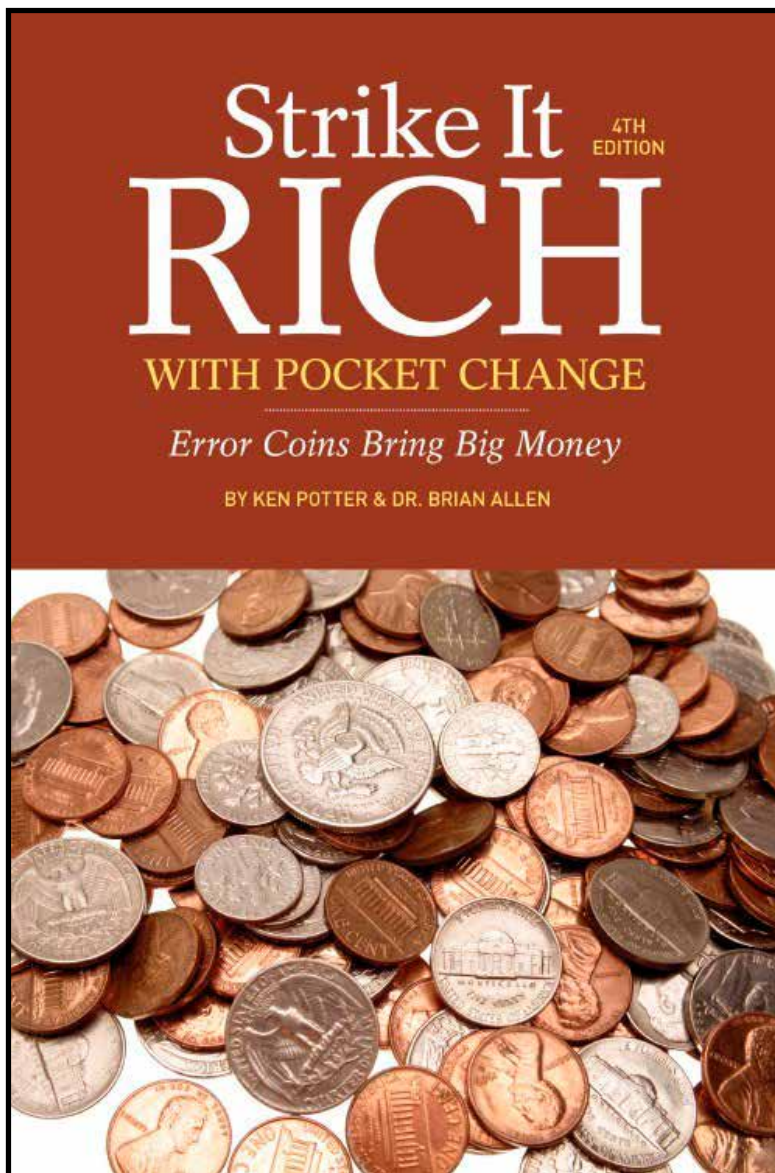
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Euro 50 Cent/20 Cent Mule

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An example would be a New Zealand/Bahama mule where thousands were struck and they are worth \$50 each. The obverse of a Bahama 5 Cent piece was muled with the reverse of a New Zealand 2 Cent piece.

On the other end of the spectrum are the extremely rare mules including a few from the United States. An example would be a mule with a Sacagawea Dollar reverse and a State Quarter obverse.

The photo shown above is a rare example of a Euro 50 Cent reverse that was muled with a Euro 20 Cent reverse. This rare piece is also a “two-tailed” coin because both dies were reverse designs and both are denominations of Euro coinage.

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