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MORE PLANS FOR 5th S.A. NUMISMATIC CONVENTION

FIRST DAY COVER OF BURGERS CENTENARY STAMPS FOR CONVENTION

The President of the Transvaal Numismatic Society, Mr W.S. van As, announces that this important event in the history of numismatics in the Republic of South Africa, which coincides with the Burgers Centenary Celebrations, will incorporate the following special features:

1. Exhibits in 100 illuminated showcases reflecting the evolution of Coinage from Ancient Greece and Rome to the present date, with emphasis on the history of South African coinage.

A complete collection of South African coins in proof and uncirculated condition, including the Burgers and Kruger series, will be on view. Outstanding collections of coins from countries with cultural and historical ties with South Africa, gold coins and a fascinating selection from almost every country in the World will be displayed.

Medallic Art as depicted on unique specimens of commemorative and war medals, including various Victoria Crosses, will be exhibited. A representative collection of Token coins and Banknotes will form an important part of the displays.

The value of the exhibits will be more than a million Rand.

2. Medals in gold, silver and bronze to commemorate the Burgers Centenary will be struck for the Society in the

South African Mint and sold during the convention. More than half of the triple sets at R100-00 per set have already been sold.

These medals will depict the crest of the Transvaal Numismatic Society on the obverse and President Burgers profile, taken from one of the original crownsize patterns struck in 1874, on the reverse.

- 3. Special first day covers of the Burgers stamp to be released by the Post Office during the convention will be datestamped at the convention. These should become valuable Africana.
- 4. Numismatists and coin-collectors, especially those from the other numismatic Societies and Coin-Clubs are requested to register as delegates at their earliest convenience because of the limited number of persons which can be accommodated for the social events. These include visits to the gold mines, the South African Mint and the Natural Cultural Historical Museum in Pretoria.
- 5. Illustrated talks on a wide variety of interesting numinmatic subjects will be given by prominent numismatists from South Africa and overseas in the lecture hall in the Carlton Hotel.

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ANOTHER GOOD YEAR FOR NATAL NUMISMATIC SOCIETY

ANNUAL REPORT BY PRESIDENT, PASTOR J.F.ROWLANDS

How quickly another year has passed — and tonight we find ourselves holding our 18th Annual General Meeting.

We may have acquired a few coins ourselves during the past 12 months and thus improved our collections — but sometimes I wonder whether we, as a Society, have contributed anything worthwhile to Numismatics in general.

We have been happy to welcome some new members to our Society during the year, but there are many coin collectors in Durban and in Natal who do not know of our existence. I feel something should be done, perhaps through the press, to make our Society and its meetings better known.

The new year will doubtless be one of great activity as we prepare for the 5th Numismatic Convention which is scheduled to be held at the Carlton Hotel, Johannesburg from April 6 - 18th, 1974. This will be a real "prestige" occasion for numismatics in South Africa and our Society must not fall behind in its exhibits and papers.

I am happy to know that our society's exhibit at the Natal Museum, Pietermaritzburg, still attracts much attention from the public.

Having just returned from the United States of America, I noticed that the man-in-the-street is much more interested in numismatics than his counterpart in South Africa. The so-called "ordinary" man pricks up his ears whenever coins and medals are mentioned. The numismatist is looked upon as a good person to know, and numismatics is considered a "Number One Hobby!" It was my privilege to give radio and

television talks on numismatics whilst I was in America.

May I ask every member to be just a little bit more enthusiastic about our Society and hobby — to be a little more regular to our meetings — and to bring along friends and prospective members more often!

Special thanks to Mr. P.R. Muller, our hon. sec-treasurer, who has served our Society so well, and to the members of the Executive for their help and cooperation.

Report from Secretary/ Treasurer Mr.P.R.Muller.

MEMBERSHIP: The membership of the society as at March 31, 1973 was 2 honorary life members; 4 honorary members; 59 town members; 48 country members and 4 junior members. Total of 117 members — this is a loss of 4.

OBITUARY: It is with deep regret that I have to record the passing of two town members and one country member.

Mr. A.S. Maskell, hon. Life member and Foundation member, the Society's hon. Secretary/Treasurer since its inception until he relinguished the position on 10th April 1967 — a total of 12 years.

Mr. G. Anthony, at one time a regular member at meetings, but owing to work has been unable to attend of recent years.

Our country member Mr. E.R. Gebauer of Pietermaritzburg, who was making rapid progress as a Numismatist, was killed by a hit-and-run motorist — his wife and son who were with him were only slightly injured.

MEETINGS: During the year the 17th Annual General Meeting, 10 Monthly meetings, and one Special meeting and the Annual Dinner were held.

ANNUAL DINNER: The second annual dinner was held on Tuesday November 28, 1972 in the Dan Pienaar Hall, M.O.T.H. Centre, and all present

enjoyed themselves. Mr. Jimmy Lawrence from Johannesburg was our guest speaker.

VENUE OF MEETING: The M.O.T.H. Centre has proved to be a very suitable headquarters, and the Secretary/Manager and his staff have given every assistance necessary. The hire for 1973 has been renewed. I would like to place on record our thanks to the M.O.T.H.'s for the facilities placed at our disposal — the society appreciates this very much.

TALKS AND EXHIBITS: At practically all meetings items of interest were produced for members to examine and discuss. The following members gave talks, mostly with suitable exhibits,

during the year:-

May 1972: Pastor J.F. Rowlands reported on the Special meeting held at the home of Mr. & Mrs. Davies (our Vice Chairman) — for which the society conveys its grateful thanks, when Mr. Laurence Brown (well-known Numismatic writer and Director of Messrs. B.A. Seaby) spoke on British Medallions, showing beautiful colour-slides to illustrate his talk. May 1972: Mr. Pat Moran gave a talk on English tokens, illustrated by the showing of colour-slides — a most entertaining talk.

June 1972: Pastor J.F. Rowlands a large variety of excellent Medallions, perhaps the finest display seen

and masterly described.

July 1972: Dr. S.M. Kaplan — Colour-slides and talk on Kruger Medallions.

22 August 1972: This was Junior-day, and two excellent papers were submitted. One by Clive Leppens who produced two War Medals — Crimea War Medal and the Indian Mutiny Medal awarded to the same man, and he gave a very fine talk on this subject and must have done quite a lot of research.

The other by Walter Davies. Again we were privileged to listen to an outstanding talk on the coins of India and an equally good display of Indian coins; again the paper required a lot of preparation.

These two Junior members show great promise and a tangible recognition of their efforts would not be

amiss.

A further paper and exhibit was given by our Junior President — as he has only been President for 17 years, he is therefore under 18 and complies. Pastor Rowlands spoke on the Anquilla Dollar.

September 1972: Mr. P.R. Muller spoke on the Medallions of the House of Orange (which were on exhibit).

JIMMY LAWRENCE RETIRES AS I.B.N.S. PRESIDENT.

Courtesy - World Coin magazine

President of the International Bank Note Society from its founding in March 1964 until December 1972, Jimmie N. Lawrence, Johannesburg,



South Africa, has now been replaced in that office by Dr D.C.O. James.

During his 8 1/2 year tenure, Lawrence visited the United States in 1964, 1966, 1967 and 1970, usually during annual conventions of the American Numismatic Association. In 1964, his wife Valerie and daughters Pamela and Wendy accompanied him; a son, Jan, was not yet born.

Lawrence has also visited and displayed paper money in Halifax, Nova Scotia, and Winnipeg, Saskatchewan, Canada, and in Europe. He specializes in South African notes, including siege notes of the Boer war, 1899-1902.

During World War 11, Lawrence gained the honor of being among the most wounded Army veterans from South Africa. On his return to civilian life, he established a cycling magazine and later a toy business in Johannesburg.

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October 1972: Mr. D. Harding produced some of the coins issued during the short reign of Edward VIII, and gave a very pleasing talk on the subject.

November 1972: One of the most interesting talks of the year was by our Guest Speaker Mr. Jimmy Lawrence — after our Annual Dinner, but he spoke on so many aspects of Numismatics that it would take a long News-letter to cover the talk. We thank him for his contribution, which was given without any cost to the Society.

December 1972: No meeting.

January 1973: Mr. M. Meyerowitz gave a talk on prices realised at overseas auctions.

February 1973: (1) Mr. M.J.S. Rathbone gave a talk on World Coins and the price trend — comparing those of more or less five years ago with those ruling today in American coins. He also produced an album with the various coins for examination by members.

(2) Mr. P.R. Muller produced a 1914-15 Star issued to a Member of the Royal Marine Light Infantry — giving a short story of the Marines.

March 1973: The meeting was given

up to coin Sales, and quite a successful evening was experienced.

Coin Sales: Coin sales at meetings seem to be of interest to a number of members. Sales should be considered by the Executive when drawing up the programme for the new year, so that the Numismatic function of the Society does not suffer.

The exhibit in the Natal Museum, Pietermaritzburg, commenced its third year in February, and during the year Pastor Rowlands, Dr. Friedlander, Mr. P.R. Muller and Mr. M. Rathbone have exhibited. The interest of members of the public continues to increase, and every effort will be made to maintain the high standard of the exhibits. Dr. Pringle (Director) has at various times conveyed his thanks to the Soceity.

OUR LIBRARY: Good books are available for members, but are not being used to the best advantage.

NEWS-LETTER: Only one Newsletter was sent out, owing to illhealth and pressing duties of our Editor. Mr. D.L. Harding has now taken over the post, and Volume 3 No. 3 should be received shortly.

Sotheby Auction Sale

A public action sale was held November 24 by Sotheby and company, 34-35 New Bond street, London W1, England. The sale featured ancient, English and world coins including a collection of world crowns.

High price of the sale was \$5,885 realized for Utrecht 1740 gold ducatoon, uncirculated condition (unc). A Holland 1741 ducatoon, very fine (VF) realized \$4,237 while a 1753 Utrecht gold doit, extremely fine (EF), brought \$223.



"All right, get the one you want, but it means you'll have to give up lunches for three weeks..." Courtesy - Coins - Iola, Wisc.

Prices gained for world crowns were Albania Zog 1926 five franka ari, EF, \$177; Eritrea Umberto I 1896 five lire, EF, \$282; Hawaii Kalakau I 1833 dollar, \$56.50; Italy Victor Emanuel III 1911 five lire, VF, \$353 and Luzern, Switzerland 1813 four franken, EF, \$212.

Gold coins featured in the sale included Brabant Charles V (1506-1555) undated couronne d'or, VF, \$177; France Louis XIV louis d'or dated 1653, Paris Mint, VF, \$989 and Israel 100 pounds, head of Weizmann dated 1962, EF, \$212. Next year will be a momentous one for South African Numismatists who celebrate the centenary of the romantic Burgers' Pond. That unique circulating medium is famous for it's image of a South African-born person on the obverse side, and the ZAR-coat of arms on the reverse.

Interesting, however, is the fact that this 1874 Transvaal coin was not the first circulating medium bearing a republican coat of arms in Southern Africa. This honour is credited to the small Republic of the Orange Free State.

Seven years previously, in 1867, the "Vrystaters" had the privilege of seeing their own coat of arms on the metal "good fors" issued by the firm Daniel and Hyman of Bloemfontein. According to "The Friend" of 8th November, 1867, the firm had received their new "coins" a few days previously. It was stated that the "coins" were minted Birmigham from German silver. Immediately afterwards, during 1868, a report from a Volksraad's commission of investigation had disapproved the issue of more metal "goodfors" in the Orange Free State.

According to "The Friend" of 10th January, 1948, at least five denominations were issued, with values of 6d, 1s, 1s/6d, 2s and 2/6d. Each of these tokens bore the Orange Free State coat of arms. The

S.A.'S FIRST ORIGINAL COAT OF ARMS

By D.J.J. Scheepers

National Museum in Bloemfontein today has specimens of all the coins, with the exception of the Is6d piece.

The token in my possession is one in an EF condition, and nearly the size of a recent 50 cent piece. On the obverse side a recognisable coat of arms of the young republic can be seen, surrounded by scrollwork with crossed banners behind. It is flanked by the date "1867". The legend around is "Bloemfontein" and the Afrikaans words "ORANJE VRY STAAT". The rim is ornamented. On the reverse side the 2/- is inscribed, encircled by a thin line. The legend around is "GOED VOOR" and "DANIEL & HYMAN".

The details of the design of the coat of arms were poorly minted. The three horns or "kruithorings"; the tree and the lion to the right side can be imagined. But the two sheep on the left side of the shield and the Voortrekker oxwagon beneath the tree, can hardly be identified. Nevertheless, it creates a pleasing impression.

A shortage of currency was experienced during 1867 throughout the country. The banking crises between the Bloemfontein Bank and the Standard Bank during 1865, and the Volksraad's decision to close the local branch of the latter, may have been the reason for the coin shortage. So most firms and Government Departments issued "goodfor" discs, coupons, and private cheque books.

Most probably the firm of DANIEL and HYMAN was the only one to issue metal discs in the old Free State capital. The other firms were content to issue cardboard coupons. It was mainly used for bartering. A person would sell produce like wheat, wool, skins, or other commodities to a firm, and receive "good fors". They could then purchase what they required with these coupons, discs or tokenmoney, but mostly at the shop or firm which issued them.

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WORLD WIDE DEMAND FOR KRUGER RANDS.

By Don Wilkinson & Dennis Kiley, of the "Star" Johannesburg.

The massive upsurge in the gold price has sparked off renewed interest in the Kruger rand, which is now the most sought-after gold coin in the world, according to Nedbank experts.

In fact, they appear to have run out of stock for the moment and the coin expert at Nedbank said:

"They have been phoning up for them for weeks."

There are two reasons why the Kruger rand is more popular on the overseas gold coin markets than its rivals such as the English sovereign, the Louis D'or and the American "double eagle."

Firstly the South African coin, which contains exactly one ounce of gold has a higher pure gold complement — "0,999 compared with 0,9988 in most of the others." It's that fine.

Secondly, the Kruger rand was first minted in 1970 whereas its rivals have been changing hands for 50 years or so, and the South African coins are therefore generally in perfect condition.

"BLANKS"

They were first sold at the Rand Easter Show of 1970 and later by the commercial banks.

The gold to make them comes straight from the Chamber of Mines' "current production." It goes to the Rand Refinery, which stamps it into "blanks."

Then the blanks go to the South African Mint, which "coins" them into two grades of "uncirculated Kruger-rand coins."

The one is mass-produced. The other grade, in much smaller quantities, is highly polished and beautifully finished and is called the "proof" coin, meant for numismatists and "very hard to come by."

Each coin contains exactly one once of 0,999 percent pure gold,

alloyed at an 11/12 ratio to make it harder, making it about 22 carat.

The South African Treasury permits the Chamber of Mines to sell a limited quantity locally, through the commercial banks, and an unlimited quantity overseas.

Their basic price is the current free market price of an ounce of gold, plus eight percent. This is the universal pricing system used by banks for gold coins.

BUYERS

The main buyers are Germans, particularly at Christmas time, and they have bought more than a million of them since 1970 out of the total of about 1,3-million sold so far.

They are also bought by Swiss, Belgian, Canadian and British collectors. United States citizens are not allowed to buy them. South Africans have bought 173 000.

In March only 2 600 Kruger rands were sold to South Africans, while overseas buyers took 55 000.

Are the coins currently a good buy on the rocketing but gyratory price of the metal? That remains to be seen, but any potential buyer must remember that the repurchase price laid down by Reserve Bank is, subject to negotiation, normally 10 percent below the selling price.

EXPENSES

A further rise of at least 10 percent is thus necessary before any profit can be made — ignoring any expenses involved in the transaction. At current prices, this would put gold itself on the level of around 120 dollars an ounce.

Meanwhile the overseas boom in the coin is good for the country's balance of payments, whether the sales are shown as "commercial exports," as they were at first, or as "gold sales," which they really are. Anybody who bought Kruger rands at the Rand Easter Show in 1970 and kept them is now 170 percent ahead of the game. He paid R31 each for them, and the banks were offering them yesterday at R83,71.

This represents an average annual appreciation on the investment of about 60 percent, though of course most of it has happened in the past few months.

The quickest rate of appreciation of all has been this week. On Tuesday the banks were offering the coins for R77,81 and by Wednesday their price was R83,71 — R5 profit each in one day.

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Daniel and Hyman's main rivals in the trade line could have been the other three firms, namely Fichardt, Levishire and Cass and Co. Major opposition however, to the "good for" system could have been Fichardts' store. They issued their own private printed cheque books for the use of their regular customers. Amounts of up to 3 000 pounds are known to have been rendered.

Shopping at these firms during 1867 would have been a very interesting event. One can only imagine what a buying list would have consisted of. The list of the old pioneers would most probably consist of a few barrels of gunpowder, as thousands of springbuck and wildebeest roamed the plains; a few pounds of tobacco, coffee, sugar, and materials for dresses for both sexes old and young.

Some goods were rather expensive, having been imported from the nearest harbour, Port Elizabeth, by ox wagons. The prices were quite amazings: 20 pounds cash for a suit, 10 shillings per pound for raw coffee, 5 shillings per pound for sugar; that is, when these necessities were available in the interior.

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The latter is still available at The National Museum, P.O. Box 266, Bloemfontein. (Price 60c)

VERVALSTE KRUGERPONDE

Deur Matthy Esterhuysen

Soveel menings is al die afgelope tyd uitgespreek oor die vervalste Krugerponde, dat die leek naderhand begin verward raak. Party versamelaars kan nie besluit of die vervalsings werklik geïgnoreer moet word nie. Seëlversamelaars reken dat daar vervalste seëls is wat van groter waarde is as die egte seëls, veral wanneer dit kom by die Sperati-vervalsings. Geoordeel aan die toestand en gehalte van die vervalste Krugerponde wonder baie mense of dit nie maar in hierdie geval ook so is nie.

In sommige lande is vervalsings natuurlik 'n algemene verskynsel en die versamelaar het 'n keuse of hy vervalsings of egte munte wil koop, maar dit word duidelik as vervalsings of replikas aangedui en aangebied.

As gevolg van die legende omtrent die Krugermiljoene, is fortuinsoekers steeds daarop uit om die
fabelagtige Krugerskatte te vind en
mense oor die hele wêreld gryp
hierdie strooihalm aan as 'n geleentheid om vinnig wins te maak. Wat
die onlangse Krugervervalsings betref, is dit duidelik dat die ponde op
grootskaal en nie amateuragtig vervaardig is nie, maar beslis deur
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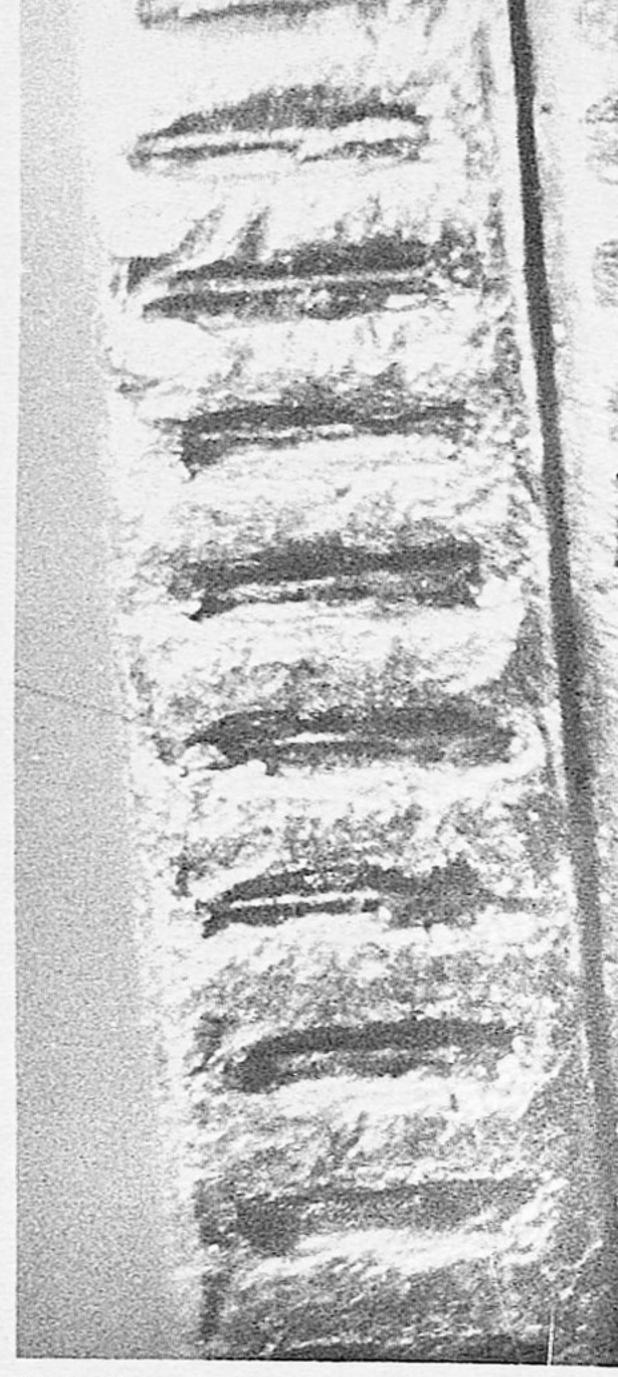
Geykte ervare versamelaars het deur die jare 'n gevoel ontwikkel waardeur hulle kan bepaal watter munte eg en watter vervalsings is. Vra so 'n versamelaar hoe hy weet, en die antwoord is: "Ek kan sommer sien". Na intensiewe ondersoek word die intuïtiewe gevoel van die ervare versamelaar tog bevestig.

Nadat koerantmanne snuf in die neus gekry het van die vervalsings, het hulle die agent wat hierdie Krugerponde verkoop, gaan opsoek maar die eerste koerantberig het hom blykbaar groot laat skrik, want sy kantoor was vir 'n paar dae gesluit.

In Pretoria is ponde van 1894 en 1897 aangebied, maar vanuit Johannesburg is verneem dat ponde van 1894 en 1898, d.w.s. van dieselfde jaar en 'n jaar later, onderskeidelik aangebied is, alger teen R30 stuk, wat natuurlik die verkoopsprys belaglik maak. Egte Krugerponde in 'n minder goeie toestand kan gewoonlik teen ongeveer R35 bekom word.

'n Aspirant-koper en versamelaar het suspisieus geraak toe hierdie ponde in so 'n pragtige toestand teen R30 vir hom aangebied word en toe hy om meer vra, is nie minder nie as 250 ponde vir hom aangebied 1 Die koper het voorlopig net vier munte geneem en toe na die Nasionale Kultuurhistoriese en Opelugmuseum in Pretoria gegaan om die munte te laat ondersoek. Hierdie Museum beskik oor moderne apparaat wat die ondersoek vergemaklik. Die vervalste ponde is van 22 karaat goud en het 'n intrinsieke waarde van sowat R16. Die munte is geweeg en mikroskopiese foto's is geneem. Die gewig is behalwe vir 'n fraksie van 'n gram korrek. Op die voorsy van die Krugerponde is 'n merkbare verskil tussen die profiel en baard van pres Kruger. Die vervalsing se lyne is skerper terwyl die egte munt meer vloeiende lyne het. As die twee foto's van die egte en vervalsing vergelyk word, sal die verskil tussen die neus, wanglyne, vorm van lippe en die kurwes van die baard duidelik waargeneem kan word. Die "1" in "I Pond" op die keersy is ook dunner as op die egte munt.

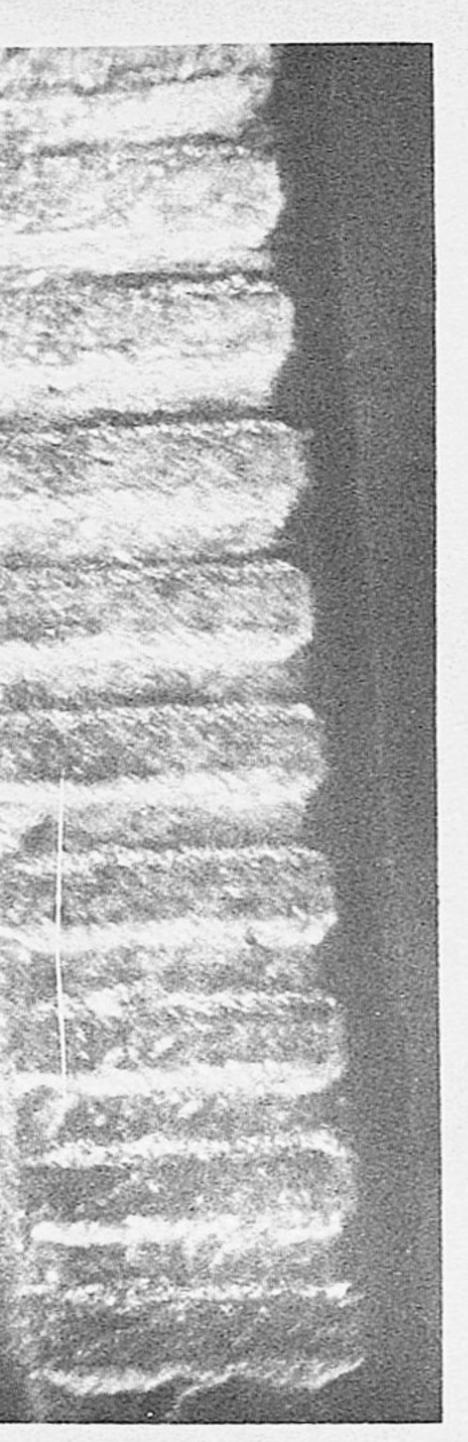
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Die reëlmatige netjiese kepies van die regte vervalsing.

metaal of allooi nie altyd ewe vloeibaar is nie, omdat die temperatuur by die slaan daarvan nie altyd konstant is nie. Die allooi kan derhalwe ook effens sagter of harder wees en sulke klein verskille is dus nie ongewoon nie.

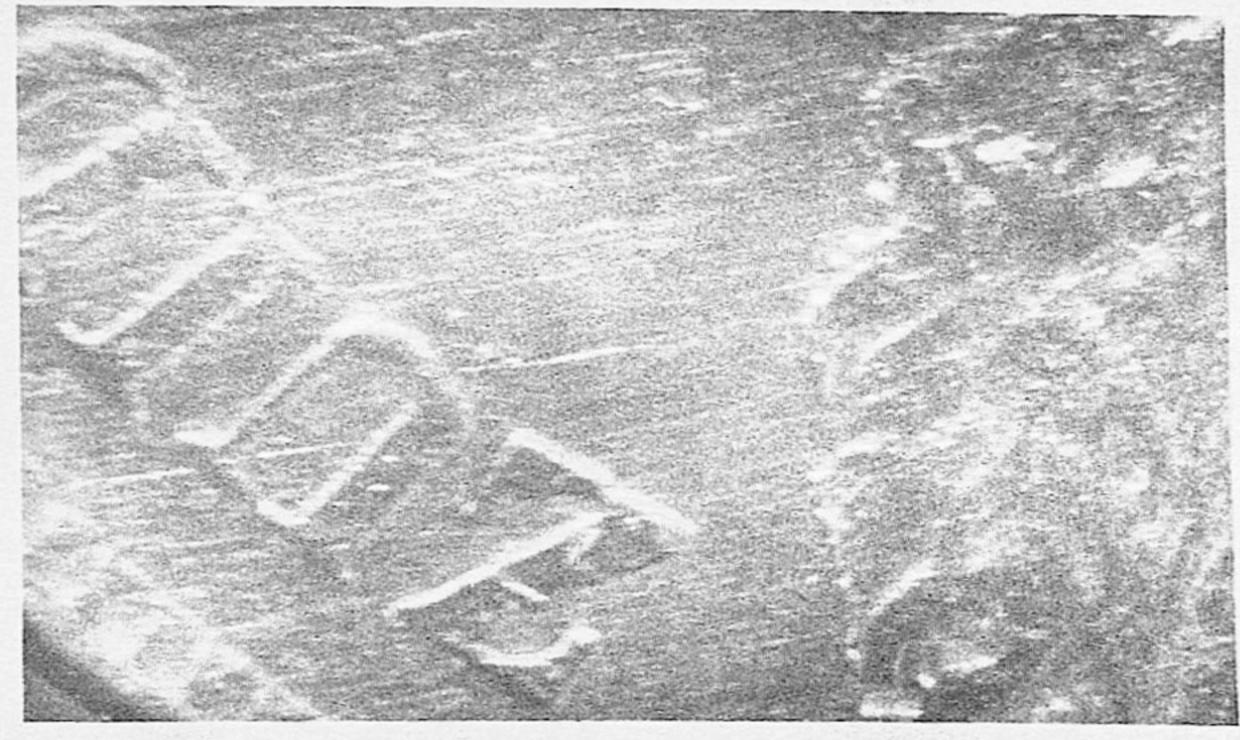
'n Onweerlegbare verskil is egter die kartelrandjie. Die kepies is met groot noukeurigheid onder 'n mikroskoop getel en op elke tiende kepie is 'n waterverfstrepie getrek om die tel daarvan te vergemaklik. Daar is gevind dat die munte net 127 kepies



unt is die van die



Egte Kruger Pond 1897. (1)



Vervalsing 1897 (II).

het teenoor 199 op die vervalsings. Hierdie verskil kan duidelik op die mikroskopiese foto gesien word.

Die munte is deur die Suid-Afrikaanse Buro van Standaarde spektografies ondersoek. Die kwantiwiteit van die twee beweerde vervalsings is in beide datums, nl. 1894 sowel as 1897, presies dieselfde en korrespondeer ook met die egte 1897 Krugerpond, maar in werklikheid het die egte 1894 pond 'n heeltemal ander samestelling as hierdie vervalste 1894-stuk. In die egte munt verskil die kwantiwiteit van die twee datums. Die Zuid Afrikaansche Munt het waarskynlik nie elke jaar koper vanaf dieselfde myn gebruik nie. Dit is bekend dat koper wat ontgin word by sommige myne hoër silwer gehalte bevat as ander myne. Die myn by Broken Hill byvoorbeeld, se silwer gehalte in die koper is so hoog dat dit winsgewend sou wees om die silwer te ontgin. Vir die egte Krugermunte van 1894 is koper met 'n veel hoër silwer gehalte in die koper as vir die 1897 munte gebruik.

Ongelukkig is alle rekords van die Zuid Afrikaanche Munt voor die Tweede Vryheidsoorlog (1899-1902) vernietig, en navorsers moet dus

Vervolg op Bladsy 11 Kol:1

UGANDA'S COINS AND BANKNOTES By Je

By Jerry Remick

Uganda is an independent republic and member of the British Commonwealth situated in East Central Africa along the equator near the east coast.

The country is land locked, having an area of 91,000 square miles. The population in 1970 was 9,764,000 of which 9,000 were Europeans, 93,000 were Asians and 4he remainder native Africans.

Uganda became a British Protectorate in 1896 and an independent republic within the Commonwealth on Oct. 9, 1962.

The coins and banknotes of the East African Currency Board were the legal tender in Uganda until 1966 when it issued its own coins and banknotes. While not legal tender, the famous Maria Theresa 1780 silver Taler still circulates in Uganda and neighboring African countries. There are no scarce dates in Uganda's series of 12 currency coins, but some are becoming increasingly difficult to find in uncirculated condition.

The 1966 proof set and 1968 proof crown size coin are highlights of this series. A set of four gold and six silver medal-coins were issued in 1969 to commemorate the visit of Pope Paul VI to Uganda in July of that year, but these are not currency coins. Two short series of banknotes complete the numismatic items for Uganda.

The overthrow of Ugnda's President Milton Obate on Jan. 25, 1971 by Major-General Idi Amin, at that time Uganda's army commander, changed Uganda's political climate and numismatic picture considerably. Last year Gen. Amin ousted many of Uganda's 93,000 Asians as well as some of the 9,000 Europeans who reside there. Late in January, 1973, he issued a new set of banknotes which bear his portrait and gave Ugandans just two weeks to dispose of all their old banknotes as they ceased to be legal tender on Feb. 9, 1973. His portrait may well appear on the 1973 coinage.

Uganda's currency coins consist of seven denominations. Only one type coin has been issued for each denomination except for the 5 shilling coin for which there are two type coins. The first currency coins were issued in 1966. The date series of 12 currency coins consists of 5c 1966; 10c 1966, 1968, 1970, 1972; 20c 1966; 50c 1966, one shilling 1966, 1968; 2 shillings 1966; and five shillings 1968, 1972. The 1966 5c. 20c, 50c and 2 shillings have been restruck and uncirculated specimens are seen in circulation today. The 1968 shilling is the most difficult to find in uncirculated condition. Not all currency coins are yet available from coin dealers in North America.

The 5c, 10c and 20c are in bronze and all denominations are of the same design. Their obverse shows Bank of Uganda and the denomination in words. Their reverse shows Bank of Uganda, the denomination in numerals, and the date.

The 50c, shilling and two shillings are in copper-nickel and all denominations are of the same design. Their obverse shows the attractive Ugandan coat of arms with the inscription Bank of Uganda and the denomination in words. Their reverse shows a bird in the foreground with a mountain in the background.

The 1968 5 shilling coin was issued as part of the F.A.O. series. This 38 mm crown-size coin is in copper-nickel and has a mintage of 100,000 currency specimens and 5,000 cased-proof specimens. The obverse is similar to that shown on the 50c, I shilling and 2 shilling coins and the reverse shows a long horned Uganda cow with calf, the inscription Produce More Food F.A.O. Coin Plan, 16th October 1968.

Early in 1973 Uganda released a seven-sided 29 mm copper-nickel 5 shilling coin to replace their 5 shilling banknote. The obverse and reverse are identical to those shown on the 50c, shilling and 2 shillings.

8,250 cased proof sets of the six 1966 denominations were issued for collectors. Lauren Benson, Putnam Building Davenport, IOWA 52801, can supply the proof set at \$12.50, the 1968 proof 5 shillings at \$6.50, the 1968 uncirculated 5 shillings at \$2.75, and most currency coins. Postage is extra.

Five silver and four gold medalcoins in proof condition only were. issued in 1969 to commemorate the visit of Pope Paul VI to Uganda. The silver medal-coins (1.000 silver) are of 2, 5, 10, 20, 25, and 30 shilling denominations and the gold coins (.900 gold) are of 50, 100, 500, and 1,000 shilling denominations. While legal tender, the medal-coins will not circulate in Uganda as they were issued at a considerable premium above face value. They are attractive but most collectors don't include them in their series of Uganda's currency coins.

The shilling has always been the basic monetary unit in the British East African countries. Before the recent monetary crises, the Uganda shilling was equivalent to \$0.14 Canadian. The shilling is subdivided into 100 cents. Thus the Uganda 10c coin is worth about 1.4 Canadian cents. The 5c coin is little used because of its low face value. The 2 shilling coin is rarely seen because like the Canadian 50c it is not popular) Ugandans prefer two, 1 shilling coins instead. The shilling, 10c and to some extent the 50c see the most circulation in Uganda.

Uganda has issued two sets of banknotes. The first set was issued in 1966 and consists of 5, 10, 20 and 100 shilling notes. The second series was issued in January, 1973, and consits of 10, 20, 50 and 100 shillings. The 1966 notes are no longer legal tender. The changeover period for the 1973 notes was only 2 weeks and banks were open 12 hours a day to accommodate long lines of people waiting to change their notes.

The obverse of the 1966 series shows the Uganda coat of arms as the main design whereas on the 1973

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"Charles Lindbergh, The Lone Eagle," a fine art medal created in 1931 by the late sculptor, Frederick MacMonnies, for The Society of Medalists, will be struck in pure silver (.999 fine) in May as part of a 1973 program to reissue the organization's earliest bronze medals in silver.

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series the portrait of Gen. Amin is in prominance with a small coat of arms.

David Horrocks, Mmengo Senior School, Box 14092, Kampala, Uganda, a resident of Britain now teaching in Uganda and a numismatist, will be happy to correspond with interested collectors. He is the only numismatist I know in Uganda and is leaving in September of this year for another assignment.

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staatmaak op waarnemings en ontledings. Die myne waar die Zuid Afrikaansche Republiek hulle koper vandaan gekry het, kan dus nie nagespoor word nie.

Krugerponde is tans nie meer wettige wisselkoers in Suid-Afrika nie, of volgens wet "'n gangbare munt" nie. Is dit dus teen die wet om dit te vervaardig? Wat die vervalste Krugerponde in Suid-Afrika wel onwettig maak, is die feit dat dit gemaak is van goud wat sonder toestemming die land ingebring is. Wil u graag vervalsings besit? Strewe elke mens nie meer na die egte ware Jakob nie?

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818	1966	PRF	R	28,50	
819	1967	PRF	R	28,50	
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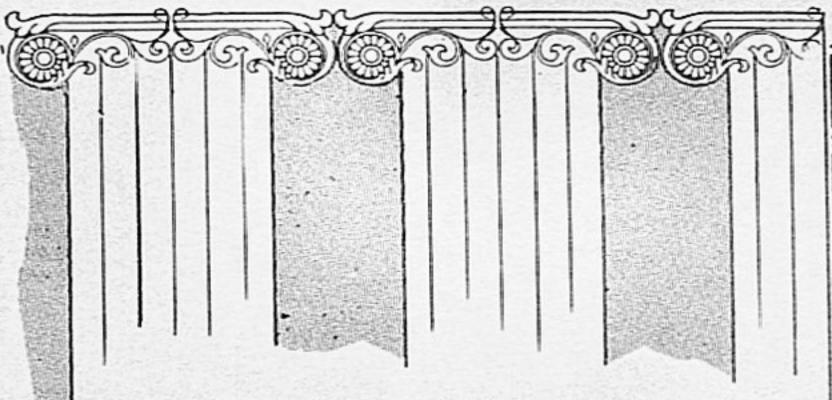
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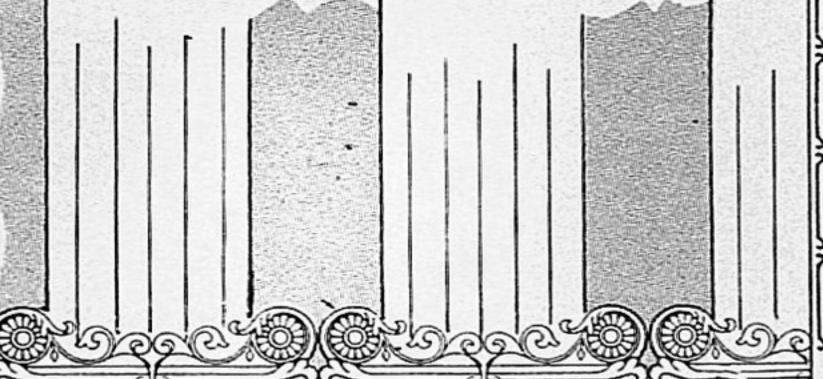
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B	71 AE 19 of Constantine II 337-340AD		6,0	
	72 AE 19 of Constantine II 337-340AD		6,0	_
	73 AE 19 of Constantine II 337-340AD		6,0	
	75 AE 19 of Constantine II 337-361 AD		6,0	
	76 AE 17 OC Constantius II 337-361AD		6,0	
	77 AE Antoninianus of Carus 282-283AD		8,0	
	78 AE 18 of Contantius II 337-361 AD		6,0	
	79 AE 18 of Constantius II 337-361 AD	1000000	6,0	
	80 AE 15 of Constantius Gallus 351-354AD (rare)			
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	83 2 x AE 13 of Valentinianus II 375-392AD		6,0	
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