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THE BANK NOTES OF EAST AFRICA

By Michael M. S. Zigler

Much of the early history of East Africa is still unknown. The first reference to the area is in "The Periplus of the Erythrean Sea" by a Greek geographer in the first century A.D. By the eighth century, the people of the Oman area (Trucial coast) realized that travel to East Africa was quite simple because of the monsoon winds. They blow southwest for several months of the year, then they reverse and blow northeast for the remainder of the year. This made dhow (a type of sailboat) travel easy.

In the sixteenth century Vasco da Gama, a Portuguese sailor became the first European to sight the Tanganyikan coast. The East African coast thus became the property of Portugal until the Sultan of Zanzibar drove the Portuguese out in the early eighteenth century.

By 1875, the Sultan of Zanzibar ruled the East African coast from the north of Mozambique to the Red Sea. In 1884, a German named Carl Peters travelled through this area. He tricked many of the tribal chiefs into signing "trade agreements". Most of the chiefs were illiterate, and did not understand that these agreements stated that in return for trade benefits, the land would become a German protectorate. Peters took these agreements to Bismark in Berlin, and convinced him to create the GERMAN EAST AFRICA COMPANY. German East Africa contained the land that is now known as Tanzania, Bwanda and Burundi.

Around the same time, Queen Victoria created the BRITISH EAST AFRICA COMPANY which held the territory now called Kenya. Immediately the British East Africa Company began building the Uganda railway, which reached Uganda in 1902 at which time Uganda became part of British East Africa.

In the late 1880's the Germans overthrew the Sultan of Zanzibar, and the islands of Zanzibar and Pemba became German.

In July 1890, British and German representatives met in Brussels to agree on boundaries. The boundaries between German and British East Africa were determined, and also the boundaries between German East Africa and the British protectorate of Rhodesia and Nyasaland were agreed upon. At this meeting, Zanzibar and Pemba became British.

The year 1914 marked the beginning of World War 1, and by 1918 the Germans were defeated. The young League of Nations took all German colonial territory, and allotted it out to other nations for protection. Tanganyika (Tanzania) became part of British East Africa and Ruanda (Rwanda and Burundi) joined the Belgian Congo.

Tanganyika remained a British protectorate until 1961 when she received her independence. Zanzibar was given independence on Dec. 9, 1963, and on April 26, 1964 the UNITED REPUBLIC OF TANGANYIKA AND ZANZIBAR was formed with Julius K. Nyerere as President. On the 29th of October 1964 the name of the nation was changed to THE UNITED REPUBLIC OF TANZANIA.

The earliest bids for the end of colonialism in East Africa came from Kenya. Jomo Kenyatta, a Cambridge graduate, spent years in England pleading in the name of his people. In the 1940's Kenyatta returned to Kenya. The Mau Maus were a terrorist Kikuyu organization formed to overthrow the British Colonial rule. In a mass rebellion against the British, which failed, one hundred thousand Mau Maus were killed. In 1953 the British charged Kenyatta with being the leader of the Mau Mau rebellion, and he was sentenced to seven years of isolation in a remote part of Kenya.

While Kenyatta was imprisoned, the remaining Mau Maus and other Kikuyus formed the party known as KANUKENYAN AFRICAN NATIONAL UNION. When Kenyatta was released in 1961, he became leader of Kanu. In 1962 KANU became the official opposition and in 1963 KANU won the election, and Kenyatta became Mzee or President. On Dec. 12, 1963 Kenya became independent. Uganda became independent on Oct. 9, 1962. The President of Uganda was Milton Obote, until his government faced a coup d'etat on Jan. 25, 1971 while Obote was in Singapore for the Commonwealth's Prime Ministers conference.

The German reign in East Africa saw the issue of several bank notes. The first issue of the DEUTSCHE OSTAFRIKANISCHE BANK came in 1905 in the denominations of 5, 10, 50 and 100 Rupien. A second issue was released in 1916. These notes come in many varieties relating to the shade of the paper that the note is printed on.

In British East Africa, many notes were released. Some of the dates which exist on British East African notes are: (this list may be incomplete)

1933	King George VI	5/-	10/-	20/-
1941	King George VI	5/-	10/-	20/-
1943	King George VI	1/-	10/-	
1949-1952	King George VI		10/-	

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1950-52 King George VI	5/-			
Aug. 1, 1951 King George VI	5/-			
1956 Queen Elizabeth II	10/-		(one type)	
1957 Queen Elizabeth II	5/-	10/-	20/-	(type two - four signatures)
No date Queen Elizabeth II	5/-	10/-	20/-	(type three - seven signatures)

When the three East African nations received their independence, they decided to form an economic union. The purpose of this was to have equal economic development, and to allow freer trade between the nations. This title of their union was "THE EAST AFRICAN COMMUNITY". This union called for a unified currency, and soon after the EAST AFRICAN CURRENCY BOARD issued notes in the denominations of 5/-, 10/- and 20/-

One year later, the East African Community fell through. The reason was that investors did not want to be told where to invest their money. The investors liked the comforts of Nairobi and Dar es Salaam, but did not like the rugged life in Moshi and Arusha, the heated tribal conflicts in Kampala and Entebbe, or the desert heat in Marsabit Kenya.

Upon the disintegration of the East African Community, Kenya, Uganda and Tanzania each issued their own currencies. Their monies pass freely over the borders, much like the way the American dollar is accepted in Canada.

The bank notes in East Africa to-day are:

Uganda:	5/-	10/-	20/-	100/-	
Kenya :	5/-	10/-	20/-	100/-	
Tanzania:	5/-	10/-	20/-	100/- (cowboy)	100/- (nyerere)

One important point about East African Currency is that it is a decimal currency. There are 100 cents in each East African shilling and there are no pounds as in England.

The bank notes of East Africa are extremely interesting, as there is a lot of important history that must be learned before a complete understanding of the notes can be attained. This is true, not only for East African bank notes, but for the bank notes of the whole world.

My bibliography for this article would be much too long to publish, but there is one organization that must be given credit for instilling a deep rooted interest of foreign bank notes into my mind. It is the INTERNATIONAL BANK NOTE SOCIETY in which I represent Canada on the Membership & Publicity committee. Through the excellent articles in the I.B.N.S. quarterly journal, and through the many other services provided by the society, I feel that the collecting of the paper money of the world is truly a worthwhile portion of numismatics. If any readers of the Ontario Numismatist are interested in the I.B.N.S. please contact: Michael M. S. Zigler
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Three-cent pieces of 75% copper and 25% nickel coined in U.S. from 1865 to 1889 and distinguished from the silver three-cent pieces are called NICKEL THREE CENTS.

JUNIORS CORNER

ENCOURAGING THE JUNIOR COLLECTOR

By R. Voaden

I feel the best way to encourage the Juniors, is to start them on a small cent, or nickel collection. Granted the keys are out of reach, for the young collector, but they can still find a great deal of satisfaction in collecting the common dates.

At the present time my son, David, is interested in collecting nickels. I find that he enjoys going around to the different bourse tables and looking for the particular coin he requires for his collection. I try and give him all the help and encouragement I can, quite often he will bid in the club auction, particularly if any nickels are in the auction.

The St. Catharines Coin Club always sets aside five or six items for the Juniors to bid on, these being donated by the Senior members of the Club.

I feel it is the responsibility of the club executive to encourage the Junior collector. This could be done by encouraging them to enter displays at the regular monthly meeting of their respective club. Another step that could be taken, is to form a Junior section, with their own executive with a Senior member acting in an advisory capacity.

Dealers are very good about helping the Junior collector, they will sell a coin to a Junior collector at cost, or sometimes gives a coin to a Junior collector at face value. This is an important aspect of the hobby, because the young collector can receive advice from the dealer, such as the grade of the coin he is about to purchase. Also with a good relationship between the young collector and dealer, the dealer can keep an eye open for a particular coin the young collector requires for his collection.

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NEWS AROUND THE COIN CLUBS

BRANTFORD NUMISMATIC SOCIETY -

The 10th Anniversary medals are still available. Brantford is the only organization to honour Major Sheldon Carroll, the founding President of the C.N.A. and now Curator of Numismatics of the Bank of Canada collection. They will be valuable as there was only one hundred numbered mintage. The last meeting featured a good auction and a number of displays.

CITY OF OTTAWA COIN CLUB -

At the last meeting it was noted that a letter of thanks had been sent to Mrs. Norval Parker for a gift of money to be used for the Norval Parker awards. Also Tom Shipman has been made representative at the O.N.A. convention in Sudbury. Reports on the up-coming show revealed a good progress in all departments. The bourse, displays, banquet are all ready and the club is looking forward to a good show.

CENTRAL COIN CLUB -

The guest speaker at the last meeting was John Regitko, vice-president of the new club, (CIAC) Coin Irregularity Association of Canada and he showed an interesting movie about the

well known sculptor Emanuel Hahn which was well received. There was also an interesting raffle and auction conducted.

CHAMPLAIN COIN CLUB -

At the last meeting the Vice-President, Mr. William Gage, had a display of Nova Scotia coins and Canadian tokens and gave a very interesting talk on these. It was brought up at the meeting that the coins of Biafra will soon be scarce. There are several denominations, shillings, three pence, six pence, and Bank notes of five shillings, one pound, five pounds and ten pounds. It is almost impossible to assemble these in one collection.

HAMILTON COIN CLUB -

The last meeting's program took the form of a "Coin Quiz" between two teams called The Faulty Planchets and The Penny Pinchers with the moderator Bruce Brace and the Penny Pinchers won by a small margin. Prizes for the winners were slightly squeezed cents and for the losers chisel-cut cents. It was a lot of fun.

HURONIA NUMISMATIC ASSOCIATION -

The last meeting featured the O.N.A. audio-visual slides "Wampum to Decimal Coins in Canada Part 1 by Lloyd T. Smith. A new feature was started that three gifts were ready with three members names on them but only two of the members were present so the third gift was auctioned off. This will be repeated and you never know when it will be your turn, so this should encourage attendance. The new officers for 1971 are:-Pres.-Bill Gage, Vice-Pres.-Bill Miller, Treas.-Cec. Sharpe, with the Sec. still to be filled.

INGERSOLL COIN CLUB -

Chairman of the last meeting was Arthur Leff. The film from the Franklin mint "The Ultimate Achievement" was enjoyed by all and the sound projector was operated by Ingersoll Recreation director, Don Reid. Charlie Laister gave a report on Torex stating that both sale and auction prices were down. Also Arthur Leff gave a report on the Niagara Frontier Coin Club's 7th annual winter festival coin and stamp show.

KITCHENER COIN CLUB -

At the last meeting slides on Newfoundland Coins were shown and Ted Turanski commented as the tape recorder was not working properly. The slides were followed by an odds and ends auction which was enjoyed by all. It has been decided to hold the annual show October 9th and 10th so the club will soon be busy getting ready for this event.

LONDON NUMISMATIC SOCIETY-

At the last meeting the president asked for volunteers to give talks on coins, medallions, etc and to offer their services for the future meetings. Guest speaker was Mr. Frank Dempsey from the London Camera Society and his topic was "The Photography of Coins!" Some members won awards at the Niagara Falls, N.Y. Annual Winter Fair, Coin & Stamp Show. Art Leff won Best of Show and Tom Waller took two first awards.

RICHMOND HILL COIN CLUB -

The topic of the last meeting was "Canadian Variety Specialists" and there was something in it for everyone. Mr. William Morse showed slides of last year's Show and of his winning trophy which proved very interesting.

SARNIA NUMISMATIC SOCIETY -

At the last meeting the auction was run by Phil Pratt and was enjoyed by all. The President stated that at the next meeting nominations would be accepted for candidates for the Best Member Award. This member should be doing something for the hobby such as giving talks, writing articles or doing some of the thankless jobs meeting after meeting. The award will be decided and given out at the Banquet from a form filled out for each nominee. A great idea.

STRATFORD COIN CLUB -

At the last meeting the speaker was Wilf Becker who talked on his shinplasters collection and display. Also O.N.A. slides were shown on fractional currency. A lively auctioned was the closing feature of the meeting.

ST. CATHARINES COIN CLUB-

At the last meeting with 76 members and guests present the guest speaker was Victor Snell whose topic was "Gold Coins Struck In Canada" which was very informative and instructive. The club is working on a new system of judging and instruction in same is being conducted by Pat Lambert for those interested. There were 4 bourse dealers present and the members enjoyed dealing at their tables. The meeting closed with a lively auction conducted by Lloyd Dorsey.

ST. THOMAS NUMISMATIC ASSOCIATION -

The special feature of the last meeting was a talk by Mr. William J. Benedict of the Canadian Imperial Bank of Commerce on Ancient Money. Plans were further made for the show being held May 8th.

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PROPOSED COIN SHOWS

Listed below are the proposed coin club annual show dates and banquets Please check to see if they conflict with your club's forthcoming show dates.

- April 10 - Woodstock Twelfth Annual Coin Show at Old St. Paul's Parish Hall from 12.00 noon to 5.30 p.m. with banquet at 6.30 and auction at 8.00 p.m. General Chairman - Raymond Palmer, 800 - 17 Rathborne Ave., Woodstock, Bourse Chairman - Victor Leake, Box 631, Woodstock and Display Chairman - Bert Carter, Innerkip, Ont.
- April 17 - Bay of Quinte Coin Club Annual Show in the Pinnacle Room at the Hotel Quinte, Belleville, from 10.00 a.m. to 10.00 p.m. For bourse reservations etc. write:- The Secretary, Bay of Quinte Coin Club, P.O. Box 125, Belleville, Ont.
- April 18 - Kent Coin Club Third Annual Coin Show at the Holiday Inn, Keil Drive, Chatham, Ont. Bourse Chairman - David Cregg, 192 Richmond St., Chatham and Douglas St. Pierre, #1 Madonna Cr., Chatham. Show Chairman - L. H. Toll, Port Alma, Ont.
- Apr. 24-25 - Ontario Numismatic Association Annual Convention hosted by The Nickel Belt Coin Club, Sudbury and held in the President Motor Hotel, 99 Elm St., Sudbury. All enquiries re bourse, exhibits, accommodations, etc. to Mrs. W. Campbell, 1369 Roy St., Sudbury. Special motel rates for the Convention. Make your reservations early.

P R O G R A M M E

O.N.A. 9th Annual Convention, April 24, 25, 1971,
At The President Motor Motel, 99 Elm St. W., Sudbury, Ontario.

Friday, April 23.

7.00 to 10.00 pm -- Advance Registration.
9.30 pm -- Welcome Committee and Hospitality Hour.

Saturday, April 24.

9.00 am -- Show Opens
Registration and setting up of displays
11.00 am -- Official Opening
Mayor J. J. Fabbro, City of Sudbury.
11.00 am -- Auction -- One Session Only -- 700 Lots,
Conducted by Frank Rose.
12.30 am -- Bus Tour to the Nickel Mine and Smelter.
2.30 pm -- O.N.A. Audio Visual.
4.30 pm -- Judging of Displays
6.00 pm -- Executive and Delegates Dinner.
7.00 pm -- Delegates Meeting - One representative from
each Ontario Club
9.00 pm -- Ladies Bingo
11.00 pm -- General Closing

Sunday, April 25.

9.00 am -- Show Opens
10.00 am -- O.N.A. General Meeting
12.45 pm -- Head Table Guests Assemble
1.00 pm -- Banquet -- Awards -- Prize Draws -- Table
Favours
Donation Auction
Guest Speaker -- Mr. Chester Krause
Publisher of Numismatic News
3.00 pm -- O.N.A. Audio Visual
4.00 pm -- Final Draw Prize for
(1) a \$100.00 Canadian Bill
(2) a 1967 Gold Presentation Set
(3) Next 10 Draws Proof-Like Sets
6.00 pm -- Final Closing

ONTARIO NUMISMATIC ASSOCIATION
 Ninth Annual Convention Medals
 1971

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*	D -- 1, 3, 4 -	In	\$ 50.00
	E -- 2, 3, 4, 5 -	Three	\$ 24.00
*	F -- 2, 3, 4 -	Piece	\$ 20.00
	G -- 3, 4, 5 -	Gold	\$ 14.00
*	H -- 3, 4 -	Inscribed	\$ 10.00
*	J -- 3 -	Custom	\$ 6.50
*	K -- 4 -	Plastic	\$ 4.50
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Nickel Belt Coin Club

The Nickel Belt Coin Club to Publicize Sudbury as the Nickel Capital of the World, are using the Inco Smelter as their design. A Nickel Medal has been added to this year's strikings. The Wellings Mint is producing the 1971 Medals which has necessitated a slight change in the O.N.A. Crest and lettering. Please order your Medals early. Orders accepted now will be delivered after the Convention on April 24- 25.

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THIS 'N THAT -

Here it is Convention time once agin -- Gee, it only seems 6 months since the last Convention -- We are looking forward to another real get-together and to quote from a recent letter from the Sudbury Chairman, this show is "A-1 O.K. and an assured success"-- with such enthusiasm and confidence as this how can the show be anything but a success and we can look forward to nothing but a ball, so to every member of the O.N.A., past and present, do try to make this Convention if you possibly can --- Ye Ed and Mrs. have been doing a little travelling of late, taking in the odd coin show here and there, 2 of which I would like to mention - one at Richmond Hill and one at North York -- Richmond Hill was a well organized show, with some very fine exhibits, but the attendance was very few and this must be most disappointing to those who have worked so hard for a successful show -- We were greeted in the usual friendly manner by dealers, executive and members alike -- We then continued on our merry way to North York -- Here again we were greeted with the friendliness one associates with our hobby -- It was nice to chat again with such enthusiastic numismatists or coin collectors (your choice) as Fred Jewett, Louise Graham, Charlie Miller, etc., etc., but here again there was a sparcity of visitors, which only goes to prove that, if possible, 2 shows in the immediate vicinity of each other should not be held on the same date -- This was probably one of those things that scarcity of suitable accommodation left no other alternative -- In reading the news bulletins from the various clubs, one thing seems to be of general concern, that is, the drop in membership -- I wonder if this is such a bad thing after all -- It is our humble opinion and that of many fellow coin collectors, that a smaller group of real enthusiasts is preferable to a large group of mixed enthusiasts and lukewarm collectors -- I remember some time ago at one of our clubs, the executive proposed cutting off their membership list at 100 -- While this was never done, ever since that, the membership has never gone over 90-95 including Juniors -- The thought I leave here is better 20 enthusiastic members than 40 lukewarm attenders -- So long for now -- See you folks at Woodstock (10), Belleville (17), Chatham (18), Sudbury (24-25), Ottawa (May 1-2), and St. Thomas (May 8)

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Ye Ed.

NEW MEMBERS

Applications published in the March issue of the Ontario Numismatist have been accepted.

Correction (spelling) February - Mr. Ralph E Trimble. #795.