

Manhattan Coin Club Minutes

February 14, 2017

Vice-President Doyle called the meeting to order at the American Legion.

Treasurer Dave asked reported that the club has a balance of \$2,981.31.

Old Business:

No old business

Auctions:

Multiple auctions were announced and may be found at <http://kansasauctions.net/>. Doyle talked about his purchase of a fake 1909 S VDB penny V.D.B. are the initials for Victor David Brenner, the renowned designer of the Lincoln cent. Brenner placed his initials on the reverse of the Lincoln cent, near the bottom rim on the reverse below the wheat stalks on the back of the coin. The "S" is the mint mark for the San Francisco mint. The 1909 S VDB penny is one of the most expensive regular-strike (non-error) rarities of modern U.S. coins. The value of a 1909 S VDB cent is around \$700-800 in Good, and upwards of \$1,800-2,000 in uncirculated grades.



The "S" has been altered.

Doyle purchased the coin from Todd Bauer of T&A Auctions Services. It was sent for ANA grading and came back as a fake. Mr. Bauer stands behind his sales and will reimburse Doyle the cost plus. A number of people spoke to the great business ethics and service that T&A Auction Services provides.

New Business:

Chris talked about the upcoming Club coin show on Sunday, March, 19th. Seventeen tables have been sold. He asked for people to sign up to sell raffles tickets, greet the public, and to answer questions about the club. A list was passed around. Doyle volunteered to display his Nationals as an educational display and will look for a a National bill to be auctioned. The cost of the bill will be around \$200. Chris asked to see him for a flyer if needed. (Flyer attached to these minutes.)

Our KNA annual membership renewal of \$10 was due. After a discussion about purchasing a lifetime membership, the members decided to just renew. A motion was made and seconded and was passed without opposition.

Program:

Phil put on an excellent program on how he tracks which bills he both wants to collect and already has. Phil has created a book with pictures of the various bills and a short description together that he can carry with him to shop for bills and to avoid purchasing duplicates.



Phil discussed with the group star notes, Experimental notes, and many other interesting facts bills and their changes through time.

Star notes are used by the BEP (Bureau of Engraving and Printing) to replace misprinted/damaged currency before it goes into circulation. These replacement notes are printed just like normal notes, except there is a star printed in the serial number. On Federal Reserve Notes, the star is where the block letter normally is (the last letter of the serial number). On Legal Tender notes and Silver Certificates, the star is where the prefix normally is (the first letter of the serial number).

Special runs of serial numbers were often set aside for experimental notes so they could be easily identified later to observe how well they held up in circulation. Series 1928A & 1928B were the first group of Silver Certificate experimental notes to be printed. Three batches were printed, two on different paper types and a third on regular paper as a control.

Special paper: X 000 00001 B – X 107 28000 B

Special paper: Y 000 00001 B – Y 102 48000 B

Regular paper: Z 000 00001 B – Z 102 48000 B



1928A-B Fancy Serial #9's X, Y, Z-B Blocks

The second groups of SC experimental notes were printed in series 1935. This experimental group also consisted of three batches: one with a special finish, one on special paper, and the third a control group with regular paper.

Special finish: A 000 00001 B – A 061 80000 B

Special paper: B 000 00001 B – B 033 00000 B

Regular paper: C 000 00001 B – C 033 00000 B



1935 Fancy Serial #9's ABC-B Blocks

The next-and my favorite-group are the "R" and "S" SC experimental notes. Exactly 2,368,000 from the 1935A series were produced. A large red "R" in the lower right corner distinguished notes printed using regular paper while those printed with special paper had the letter "S." This specific series are the only experimental Silver Certificates printed in this unique fashion. With equal quantities of 1,184,000, the two groups were released June 20, 1944 and issued into circulation to test their comparative disabilities. These experimental notes make up less than 1% of all 1935A notes and survivors are considered scarce.

"R" Serial Number ranges: S 708 84001 C – S 720 68000 C

"S" Serial Number ranges: S 738 84001 C – S 750 68000 C



1935A Experimental (R) and (S) Silver Certificates

Despite all the worry about declining paper supply, no conclusive results were observed from the 1935A experiment. And the supply of security paper never became a problem. But the “R” and “S” experimental notes leave us with a reminder of some troubled times the US went through, along with some unique items for collectors and dealers alike.

More information is included in a document included in the email version of the newsletter.

The door prize was a Micro Zoom Scope that was won by Jim.

Following the silent auction the meeting was concluded.

**The Manhattan Coin Club's
23rd Annual
COIN SHOW**

**Public Welcome!!!
FREE ADMISSION**

**SUNDAY MARCH 19th, 2017
10 a.m. – 4 p.m.**

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You are invited to attend the **23rd Annual Manhattan Coin Show on March 19th, 2017** at the Four Points by Sheraton Hotel on Fort Riley Blvd. in Manhattan KS. Last year's show was well attended and all dealers' present indicated intent to return if scheduling permitted. The show will be advertised nationally and locally. There are many collectors in the region and we expect a good turnout.

Table rental (8' tables) is \$45 in advance, OR, a deposit of \$10 will hold your table until show time and then a balance of \$40 per table will be due **in cash** at the beginning of the show (no checks day of show). Dealers must provide their own extension cord and lights. Table covers will be provided. Table locations are at the discretion of The Manhattan Coin Club and are influenced by date of payment. The show will run from 10 AM to 4 PM with dealer set-up starting at 8 AM. Porter help will be available from 8-10 AM and from 4-5 PM. To reserve your table(s), please complete and return the form below with your rental payment or deposit **ASAP**.

Return to the address above with your payment

Name _____ Phone _____

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Please reserve _____ table(s) _____ full payment enclosed (\$45 each)

_____ Deposit enclosed (\$10 each/\$40 each due in cash before show begins)

I AGREE TO THE FOLLOWING TERMS:

1. I release the Four Points by Sheraton Hotel, The Manhattan Coin Club, and its representatives, including Chris Hartley, from all claims of liability, loss, damage to and/or destruction of property, and personal injury of any kind from any cause.
2. I will abide by all local, state, and federal laws and assume responsibility for the collection of sales tax on my retail sales. (Riley County Sales tax chart will be provided)
3. I will provide my own extension cords and lights.

Signature _____ date _____

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