The American Play Money Society Newsletter

Fun Money

Welcome to our seventh issue; it is another 18 page issue thanks to our contributing members. There is a ton of information in this issue, so read it carefully.

As you can see by the insert, it is time for 1998 dues. Financially we just made it this year with very little to spare; about like we want it for a non-profit organization. Thought was given to increasing the dues a couple of dollars, but we elected to leave them at \$7.00 for an individual and \$9.00 for a family membership. This leaves no margin at all and is predicated on a high renewal rate. Any contributions in excess of the normal dues would also be appreciated. Let's have another great year in 1998!

Your editor has finally gone online and you can now communicate with me via e-mail; my address is: japhillips@mindspring.com. As I mentioned elsewhere, this is quite an experience and I am even finding several references to play

money, including Richard Clothier's web page (see page 12). Please let me know if you find any other web sites about play money and also send me your e-mail address if you wish it to be published.

Already for the March Fun Money we have a couple of great articles; one on Lucky Buck character identification and one on Play Store. You won't want to miss these plus the other goodies. Renew today!

More "freebies" are included with this issue thanks to John Dalton and Millard Hajek. Plus, a little surprise is thrown in as usual.

Send the editor your comments, good or bad; we want to continue improving each issue. Also, don't forget about the free classified ads and keep the articles and information coming! HAPPY HOLIDAYS to all!

Editor



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THE AMERICAN PLAY MONEY SOCIETY

The American Play Money Society (APMS) is a non-profit, educational organization for collectors of play money. It is dedicated to the promotion and research of play money and related exonumia.

ANNUAL DUES

\$7.00 per year for a regular membership and \$9.00 for a family membership (US only). Both have full membership, but only one newsletter will be mailed to the family. Dues for members in other countries will be determined by postage rates.

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MEETINGS

One per year in a central location. We would appreciate comments on where and when to have our first meeting. With members in all parts of the country it is impossible to accommodate everyone; however, we will have the meeting in a location that will benefit the most people.

NEW MEMBERS!

Welcome to the following new APMS members. Millard Hajek, #38, 1404 Harberson Road, Baltimore, MD 21228 Edward L. Craig, #39, 6806 Dunhill Road, Baltimore, MD 21222-5913

TREASURER'S REPORT

by Barbara Phillips

Income: Dues, ads, and back issues.....\$ 38.00

Kinko's; Fun Money #6 printing \$ 31.37 Expenses:

Postage, stamps and envelopes. \$ 31.21

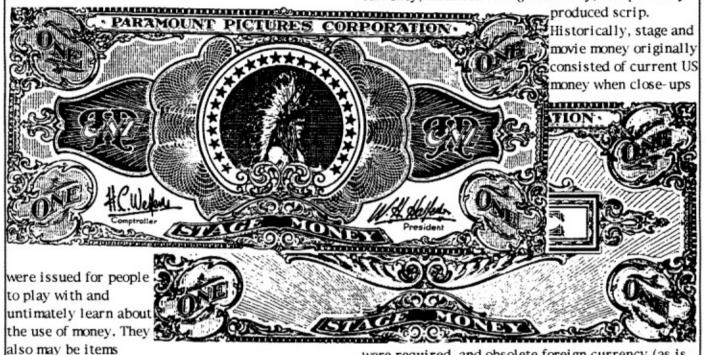
MOVIE MONEY &

by Akio Lis

The field of play money, in my opinion, offers the collector unlimited opportunities to collect and study numismatic items issued for use as educational tools. These items may be privately issued coins or currency imitations that

status. Recent releases of stage/movie money into the commercial numismatic mainstream provides another potential example of play money.

There are three types of movie money that have been historically used: real US or foreign coins or currency, modified foreign currency, and privately



originally intended for other commercial uses that were issued in large enough quantities to eventually were required, and obsolete foreign currency (as is or modified) for other scenes, i.e., when US notes were to be destroyed, or a wide angle shot was



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obvious "modern"

printed issues were used only when time constraints necessitated the added expenditures required to produce printing plates or dies to obtain the desired visual effect.

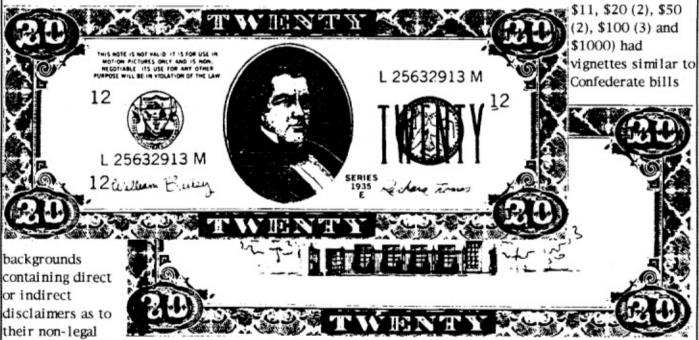
had serial numbers.

The Paramount Pictures bills (\$1 and \$500) had an Indian vignette on the front, as well as, the signatures of a 'Comptroller' and a 'President', with the written denomination on the back. The 20th



manufacture. In all cases the bills were two-toned with black or green printing on off-white

front and the denomination with a 20th Century-Fox logo on the back. The general prop bills (\$10 (2),



status. In addition, no reference to the United States of America is made. The paper used was non-bonded card stock. Two bills were produced for Paramount Pictures, three were for 20th Century-Fox, and eleven were general props. It was interesting that the 20th Century-Fox, and the general prop notes

on the front and various buildings on the back.

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President's Chewing Gum Play Money

by Jane Sears

Presidents Chewing Gum was distributed in 1933 by the Dietz Gum Company of Chicago, Illinois. One Play buck came FREE in each package of 1 cent President Chewing Gum. Educational series No. 101 contained 32 play bills. This collection started with George Washington and went to Franklin D. Roosevelt, the current president. Denominations are 1, 5, 10, 20, 50, 100, 500, 1000, and 1 million dollars. Bills measure 51/4" wide x 2 1/4" high. The front shows the picture of the president printed in

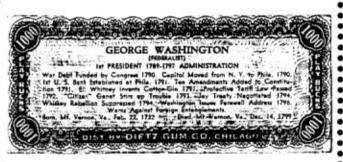
orange, green, and black on white paper. The back is printed in orange and gives a brief history of each president and his administration.

The pocket album is a folding cardboard case, tan with browned type. There was probably a special offer for the child to receive the case, maybe by collecting wrappers and mailing in. I don't have an original wrapper, so I don't know for certain. Pictured below are the front and back of the bills and album.



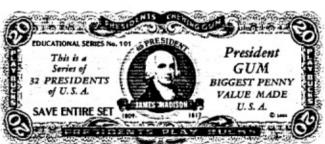












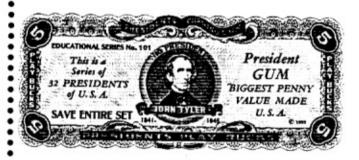




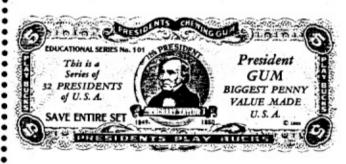
















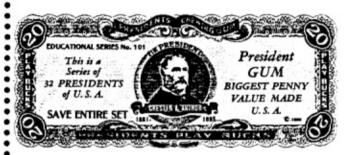






















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A RECENT FIND by Jack Phillips

A group of twenty play money bills purchased through the mail included several of the EZ Play Money bills such as the one shown. There are three denominations (one, five, and ten smackers) all with the same boy's picture. The obverses are black on white while the reverses are green on white; both sides are printed the same. They all were copyrighted in 1933. Every bill has two verticle creases which suggests that they were folded to a



third of this size. Perhaps this indicates that they came in something like a gum package. Anybody know the origin of these neat bills? Are there any other known denominations? One more mystery!

KINGDOM OF HAWAII PLAY MONEY

by Akio Lis

At the last Token Show in Omaha, I found some play money copied from currency originally produced for the Kingdom of Hawaii by the American Bank Note Co., and issued in 1879. These Certificates of Deposit (in silver) were meant to be a replacement for previously issued certificate of deposits which were redeemable in gold. In all cases the backs of the notes contained the Hawaiian seal in an ornate frame with a printed COPY in the lower left hand corner and were printed on card stock as follows:

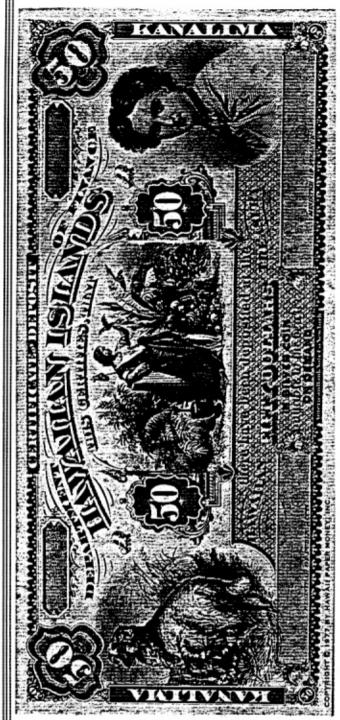


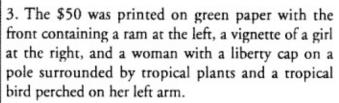
1. The \$10 was printed on orange paper with a front containing a sailing ship on the left, a locomative on the right and a cowboy (paniolo) rounding up cattle in the center.



2. The \$20 was printed on brown paper with a front containing a vignette of a girl with a dog on the left, an anchor on the right, and the vignette of a woman franked by a steam ship and locomotive in the center.









4. The \$100 was printed on blue paper with the front containing a galloping horse on the left, a standing cow on the right, and a globe franked by a steam ship on the left and a locomotive on the right.

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5. The \$500 was printed on orange paper with the front containing a vignette of King Kalakaua I on the left, a farmer carrying corn stalks on the right, and the vignette of a locomotive franked by a steam ship on the left and sailing ships on the right.

These play money notes appear to be copied from the original American Bank Note Company notes by Hawaii Paper Money, Inc. in 1977. I would be interested in determining if play money copies of Republic of Hawaii Gold and Silver Certificates of Deposit were also produced by the same company, and/or if other types of Hawaii play money currency exists.

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UPDATE



The June 1997 Fun Money had an article (page 16) about A. Flanagan Toy Money. Jane Sears reports that she has additional denominations of 1¢, 10¢, and \$1 to go with the previously reported four denominations of \$2 1/2, \$5, \$10, and \$20. But we still don't know the history of the company. Anyone else have any other information on this issue?

New Gracker Jack Find

by Randy Partin

WOW! That is not near enough to describe my feelings when I first saw this octagonal Cracker Jack presidential token. I traded for this token along with several other different kinds of tokens. When the person said he had an eight-sided Cracker Jack token I thought he must have one that had been hammered or otherwise modified into that shape. He claimed that his token was not damaged and was

in fact uncirculated. I took this with a grain of salt as I had personally seen over two thousand Cracker Jack tokens and all that I had seen were round. The 1979 TAMS article and the section in Clothier's Play Money book did not list any octagonal Cracker Jack pieces either. So when this person said he had an eight-sided Cracker Jack token I didn't quite think he knew what he was talking about, but made the trade for

As you can imagine I was very excited when I opened the package containing this token! The other nice tokens I traded for immediately

became immaterial to me. Besides being an unique shape to the series its' condition is uncirculated and possibly proof-like. It is similar in design as to its' round brethren

where the letters are around the edge on the obverse or reverse. The letters themselves are smaller than the letters on the round token also. The octagonal token is aluminum and 25mm just like the round ones.

The significance of this token raises many questions. Is there one for every president like the round tokens? Is it a coincidence that

this one is of the first president, George Washington, or is this some sort of trial piece? Is this token unique? If there are more out there of this or any president why haven t they come to light?

I would appreciate any feedback you may have about this token. Does anyone else have one of these or ever heard of their existence before? If so, please share your knowledge with FUN MONEY and/or myself.

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Miscellaneous

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Comment from Richard Clothier:

it and the other tokens anyway.

"Your article on **Phoney Money** sent me searching through my collection. I believe the coins in your article are what my catalog calls *Stage Money* play money. I have an unused punchcard of 14 coins that looks like your sample."

Comment from Richard Clothier:

"I now have a web site about play money; there are several different pictures shown that were taken with a digital camera." The address is:

HTTP://www.GEOCITIES.com/athens/parthe non/7338 (Editor's comment; I have visited Richard's site and was quite impressed by the pictures that he shows. He has also had several inquiries about APMS from other visitors.)

Richard Clothier's E-mail address is: Clothier@Prodigy.net

Your editor is finally online and having a great time visiting all of the wonderful web sites out there. If you haven't tried it, you should. My E-mail address is: japhillips@mindspring.com

# Garlands

# **Garden Center & Florist**

# Garland's Greenbacks

By Millard W. Hajek

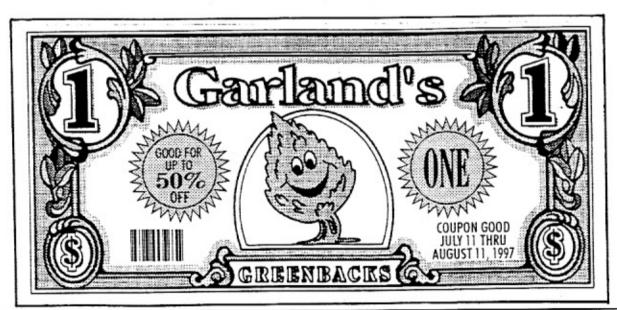
Garland's Greenbacks are valuable discount coupons which can be collected free with purchases in their Garden Center. Starting in the Spring and extending through early July, for every \$10 spent at Garland's, a customer can earn a crisp Garland's Greenback. You can spend them like cash from mid-July through mid-August during their huge Summer Greenback Sale. The reverse of the Greenback provides specific instructions on "How To Spend Garland's Greenbacks Like Dollars at Garland's." This excellent sales promotion which offers their customers a redemption "Greenback" is Garland's way of saying thank you for your business.

Garland's Greenbacks, illustrated below, were designed by Kenny Clark of Clark Graphics and printed by Tiger Graphics. The 1997 Greenbacks are printed in red ink on tan paper and are 3 inches by 6 1/8 inches in size and come in \$1 and \$5 denominations.

Similar discount coupons in \$1 and \$5 denominations are also available from **Garland's** during the Christmas season. The 1997 Christmas **Greenbacks** are printed in red ink on yellow paper and are redeemable from late November thru mid-December.

Garland's, located at 1109 Ingleside Avenue in Baltimore, Maryland celebrated it's 25 years of success in 1997, thanks to their valued customers and friends.

My personal thanks to Garland's for granting permission to publish this article in "Fun Money" and especially to Matt Thierer for providing this pertinent information and for providing Garland's Greenbacks for distribution to our American Play Money Society members!



# RED GOOSE MONEY

by C.R. Clark and Robert B. Clark

The new catalogue, RED GOOSE MONEY, is finally printed and ready to mail! We decided to go with the spiral binding so the book will open and remain flat while reading it. Each token has a number and we believe it uses a simple numbering system which will allow

any new finds to be added without difficulty. The limited first printing is only 60 copies. We believe that American Play Money Society members may be interested in purchasing the book because it has about 23 more pages than the sum of the pages in the four installments which ran in Fun Money, not counting the preface, contents, etc. Also, the introduction has a lot of information. including data about the Red Goose

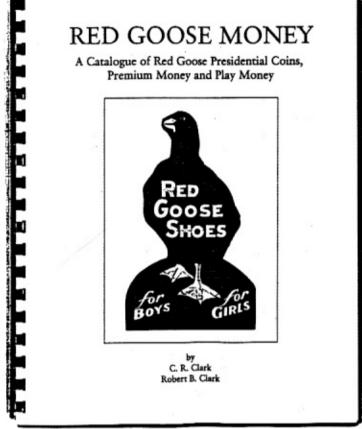
encased cents and the Texas Centennial piece.

The book is offered at \$8.00 plus the shipping charge. Books will be mailed at the special standard mail rate which will result in a total cost of \$9.85. Orders should be sent to

C.R. Clark, P.O. Box 48691, St. Petersburg, FL 33743.

We hope readers will enjoy the book and write us with any new or different information.

(Editor's comment: I have a copy of this great catalogue and have really enjoyed it. C.R. and Robert have done a nice job of bringing together a lot of information and presenting it in an understandable format. Thanks, guys.)



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#### WORLD WAR II CHILDREN'S PLAY MONEY

Recently the editor received a letter from Stephen D. Rohde, a paper money collector who had seen a write-up about APMS in Coin World. He enclosed the picture shown here and told me that is was used during World War II by Japanese children. He has been collecting since 1950 and this is the only piece like this that he has seen.

As an aside, he has visited Richard Clothier's web page (mentioned elswhere in this issue) and thought it was very nice.



WORLD WAR II CHILDREN'S PLAY MONEY

# » PLAY MONEY FROM AN UNUSUAL PLACE 🦠

by C. R. Clark

We expect to find play money in some games, toy banks and in sets for educational purposes, but sometimes it turns up in unexpected places. I have discovered play money at flea markets in old leather wallets and in change purses, for example. I was looking through a stack of old Get Well Cards last weekend which had been discarded, then recovered from the trash. All of them appeared to have been carefully saved for 50 years or more. They were clean and very interesting. One had a group of good luck symbols and a picture of a penny with a wheat reverse, as we would expect from the 40's, and another held a piece of play money.



The get-well card pictured to the left, slightly reduced, holds a folded American Toy Money bill made by the American Toy Works, N. Y.



The bill is the same on both sides with green print on white paper.

#### REAL FUN MONEY!

by Jack Phillips

I recently received the bill pictured from a fellow collector in New Hampshire, Gary Patterson. His wife took their granddaughter up to Maine for the weekend and they went to the Children's Museum in Portland. The Key Bank of Maine has an ATM machine set up for the kids to teach them how it works. And this is the type of money that comes out. Do other banks have any programs like this? I haven't seen any, but would sure like to think there are more like this one.





# Fields in his early days performed as a vaudeville juggler and evidently issued the interesting bill shown here.

The size and color of the actual bill is unknown as is its usage. This copy was shown in the March, 1987, Token Topics of the California Association of Token Collectors. Thanks to Stephen P. Alpert for sharing it with us. Can any of our members tell us more about it?



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For Sale: "Play Money of American Children", published in 1985 and still the main reference for the hobby. \$15.00 postpaid for the 52 page original, \$7.50 for Xerox copies.

R. Clothier, 881 5. Washington State Rd., Washington, MA 01223.

Bryan Money Wanted: I will buy or trade for individual pieces or entire collections--what do you have? Give me a try! I also collect all Florida tokens. E-mail Jrat1947@aol.com. Steve Ratliff, 3450 Riverview Drive, Pace, FL 32571-8602. Phone (904) 994-4961.

#### Presidential/Red Goose tokens for trade:

I need P/RG 4; 12; 20; 25; 31. Also, need other play money such as Interplanetary Space Patrol Credits and Tom Thumb Play Money. Send your list and I will send a list of Presidential/Red Goose tokens for trade. C.R. Clark, P.O. Box 48691, St. Petersburg, FL 33743-8591.

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Bill Bone, Editor PAW PRINTS, 928 S.R. 2206,

Clinton, KY 42031.

**Hell Bank Notes:** I have acquired a large hoard of these HBN's. Special to APMS members, 40 different for \$15 postpaid. E.B. Scott, 309 Duke, Garland, TX 75043.

For Sale or Trade: Send \$1.00 for postage for my 20 page list of play money.

Jane Sears, 9323 Waltham Woods Rd., Baltimore, MD 21234-1550.

**Trade/Sell:** I have three lists of play money: Game play money, Lucky Bucks, & Coin-type. Send your list of trade items or send SASE and specify desired list. Jack Phillips, 2044 Pine Lake Trail, Arab, AL 35016.

My Token and Medal Mail Bid Sales include play money. Request a copy of my next sale catalogue if you are not on my mailing list. Steve Alpert, P.O. Box 66331, Los Angeles, CA 90066.

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