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Re: Vernon NLv 2-B


From the Editor

CORRECTION

Our March Issue contained an outstanding article on the Washington oval peace medals. This, our nation's first Indian peace medal, cried out for thoughtful attention and co-authors George Fuld and Max Spiegel outdid themselves. Regrettably, Max was listed as "Mark." We tender our profound apologies to Max for the mistake. Given that Max has written many other useful articles for The Advisory and given, further, that he is a past winner of the Gloria Stam Chamberlain award, he deserved/deserves red carpet treatment.

[Ben has given this talk to a variety of audiences. If our hobby is to recruit new blood, more of us should follow Ben's example. -Ed.]

THE ART HISTORY PROGRAM
(DEPARTMENT OF HISTORY) AND
THE CENTER FOR PEACE & JUSTICE
PRESENT



Dr. Benjamin Weiss,
Emeritus Professor of
Pharmacology and Physiology,
Drexel University College of Medicine
speaking on

**MEDALLIC HISTORY OF
RELIGIOUS AND RACIAL
INTOLERANCE**

Medals as Instruments for
Promoting Bigotry

Benjamin Weiss, Ph.D.

Thursday,
April 14th
at 4:00 PM
in
Bartley Hall,
Room 1010

All are Welcome!

"The First MCA Club Medal"

Medals from Alex Shagin



Vernon Section

Re: Vernon NLv 2-B

Dear John:

I just acquired an example of this rare Vernon type, but have a question for you about its rarity. On page 38 of your book,

you list it as R8. However, on page 223, you state that five examples have been recorded. What is your best current estimate of its rarity? It's a neat piece.

Best,

David F. Fanning, Ph.D.

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[In reporting this piece, sharp-eyed David Fanning notes that the variety is called R-8 in the text but lists "5 known" in the Census. The Census was in error - prior to this new arrival, I had seen only two examples. - Ed.]

Letters to the Editor

Dear John:

Thanks for your note inquiring as to my receipt of the "Advisory."

I believe my file is complete, up to the most recent issue received, which is dated March/April, 2011.

And, yes, my mailing address is correct at P. O. Box 316, Iola, WI 54945-0316; I don't know what the problem may be that your mailer has indicated.

Congratulations and thanks for your superb performance in the capacity of editor over the past decade or so.

Hope to see you at the ANA in Chicago, in the event our paths do not cross in the interim.

Sincerely yours,

Clifford Mishler

John, Magcloud's "cannot verify" my address is for real and not for real. The address is my office but my mail goes to the village PO box 488 so mail services don't like the confusion between the two. So best to use POB 488 Kinderhook NY 12106 and they will be happy. The Advisory comes though regularly, a delight to read.

Best regards,

Rod Blackburn

PS I have been asked (and have reason to want myself) about Julian's census of US Mint medals: how many were struck of this or that. Impossible to count them up by

hand, so I scanned all the pages and created a database so I can look up such things. I have not heard if anyone else has done this, but I will be willing to handle inquiries if there is any need.