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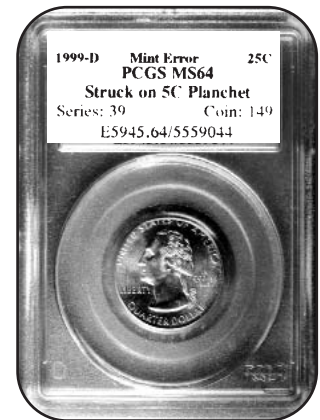
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Next Issue of *Errorscope*

by Jeff Ylitalo

Changing of the guard has never been easier, (so Frank Leone might think), but I want to honestly and sincerely thank Frank for his patience and knowledge as 'editor' of *Errorscope* and his tireless effort over the last eight months overwatching my training as 'assistant editor' and getting me up to speed. We continue to keep our great organization in the loop with finds, news, and education. Frank will not be straying too far away from us as our embrace of his knowledge and love of the hobby is too strong.

We have pushed this *Errorscope* online supplement to ensure everyone a chance to enjoy more information

and preview for themselves some of the news and spin the next exciting issue has in store. It is jam packed full of great pictures, articles, updates, and best of all, there is knowledge available for all!

So with that, lets review what is up and coming in the November December 2008 issue of *Errorscope*!

1. Seasoned researcher is poised to share with us anomalies which can be encountered on 1995 Lincoln cents and they are out of this world!
2. Veteran of the error/variety hobby gets lucky. Patience and persistence pays off as not just one, but two early doubled die Lincoln cents from

the teens are found hidden in rolls. A fine day to rejoice.

3. I will leave you guessing with this one, but here is a clue. An unrecorded Lincoln cent error from 1943 surfaces and commands premium prices!

4. From someone else, (gee I wonder who), we will come to understand one of the most freakish bi-metallic error coins now inhabiting this side of the world (note, I did not say 'continent'). Research and examination is a promised guarantee for a case of 'thunder-struck'. The aura this error emits would drive Zombies running home to their mother looking for safety at all costs.



This bi-metallic error has the 'Mother of England' facing off with the ring of an opposing agent whose origin is located in the communist far east. 'Thunder-struck' best describes the magnitude of mishap this coin endured. Find out all the details in the next issue of *Errorscope*.

5. Young Numismatist finds a Presidential dollar missing a layer of clad on one face.

6. Our esteemed researcher from #1 is not yet done sharing. There are points to be made about coins which “mimic” bonafide clip errors and the results are finalized with a common sense matrix of Yes’s and No’s that will enlighten clip aficionado’s around the world.

7. Our very own web-master has a couple of things to share. One arti-

cle deals with an Arkansas state quarter error that will have all of us running to the bank to search out others like it. Another article by the same has us wondering about the ride that has many bumps before we ever get to the border!

8. We will get our first chance at an article dealing with the Shield nickel series and it won’t stop with this issue of *Errorscope*. It will be the first installment of a six part series which will run throughout the 2009

new year! For anyone who devotes their time, money and effort to the Shield nickels series, there is some exciting news and critical updates in the works. You will not want to miss it.

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What is this? Look for it in the November / December 2008 issue of *Errorscope*.



Which state quarter will reveal itself here? Find out in the next issue of *Errorscope*!

Two Three Cent Clips Found in Random Locations!

by Frank Leone

While attending the Richmond, Virginia show I was able to get out and walk around looking for goodies for my collection. As luck would have it, a dealer that really didn't have any error coins to speak of did have a neat three cent nickel clip tucked away in a binder of U.S. coins. Without researching, this is the

largest clip I've seen on a three cent nickel. While the coin did have some marks either side of the coin, I determined after a little negotiating, that she was to be all mine.

The second clip is the result of my scouring eBay for anything I thought to be undervalued. I found a dealer who was selling a group of eight three cent nickels. Some

appeared to be decent Goods while others had 'issues'.

From the pics, I could see this one bore a small clip and a neat little retained cud on the reverse at left. Being a bit of a better date, 1874, I put in a fairly strong bid with no contest. Much to my satisfaction, I was able to subtract a few more dollars from my checking account.



The above two pictures show the obverse and reverse of this clipped three cent coin.

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All kidding aside, I was very glad to acquire the coin and she is a nice one overall. Most others in the group were clunkers and they will eventu-

ally find their way back onto eBay. Cherrypicking is a little like Pete Rose's batting, mostly singles but

every once in a while, you can hit a homer. Educate yourself, look everywhere, and I promise you will come up with something. ■



This clipped three cent coin was among a pile of duds being offered as a group on eBay.

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1933 Columbian Die-Clash

by Jeff Ylitalo

Die-clashes often occur when the obverse and reverse dies smack together without a planchet seated in the striking chamber. One of the dies may be left with design elements from the opposing die when this occurs. We usually expect an incuse, backward or mirror version of that design if it happens.

Subsequent coins struck with these damaged dies may show wildly placed design elements ranging from subtle and to heavy and strong. Most collectors of this type of die damage prefer the latter and I am no different.

I can usually find minor instances of die-clashing when searching coins on my own, but I couldn't pass on this

silver 20 centavos dated 1933 from Columbia I spotted on eBay. It has some very strong clashing from the reverse die planted all over the obverse face of this coin.

The coin itself is interesting in that it was struck with the mint-mark 'B' on both faces (variety). The reverse B mint-mark is present on the obverse,



20 Centavos from Columbia shows severe die-clash on obverse face (left). Interestingly, this coin is dual mint-marked 'B', left of the date 1933 on the obverse and just above the L of LEY on the reverse face (below).



above Simon's head, and underneath the letter D of DE. This design feature certainly helped me to make out the orientation of the remaining clashed design on

the obverse face. The wings and feathers of the Condor on the reverse face are easy to identify both at the neck-chin area and the back of the head. The drapery

outline can be seen opposite and near the forehead along with the chain links.

I was quite pleased with this find. ■



Mint-mark 'B' from reverse face just above the L of LEY is seen on obverse underneath the D of DE and helps to orient the rest of the die-clashed elements on this 20 centavos coin from Columbia.

Mystery Off Metal Error

Great Britain Two Pence Struck on 2 Euro-Cent Planchet

by Jeff Ylitalo

There are times when a fun purchase turns out to hold more surprises than could be expected.

Thinking this two pence wrong planchet error coin I picked up a couple of years ago was simply a quick study from the United Kingdom, I couldn't have been more mistaken.

There are a multitude of variations in wrong metal errors from the

British Royal Mint (BRM) and they are always fun to examine. The annual report released by the BRM two years ago reveals over 53 separate contracts.

Once this error coin arrived I looked forward to weighing it and sifting through mounds of statistics to determine what kind of wrong planchet and perhaps determine which country it was intended for. It weighed in at 3.40 grams. I looked briefly at the edge thinking it may

have been damaged, but closer examination promised to eventually prove something entirely different.

The edge all the way around resembled the groove seen on some cores of bi-metallic coins whose purpose is to penetrate the ring when joined together. I wasn't quite convinced of this however, and I thought about it some more. Because it was unlike any groove I had seen on a bi-metallic core it finally struck me!



The obverse (left) and reverse (below) pictures show this date-less two pence from the United Kingdom having been struck on a mysterious wrong planchet.



All two euro-cent coins have this groove along their edge. It is obvious this planchet expanded within the striking chamber when struck by the two pence dies which actually distorted the upper and lower lip of the groove, but there is no mis-

take. Along with the weight, color, and magnetic composition, it is a perfect match.

While I cannot prove which country in the European Union it was destined for, I do know that Ireland has

either had their planchets made to order from the BRM, if not struck.

At any rate, I was thrilled to add it to my collection of wrong planchet errors and I have not seen another like it since I bought it. ■



Above two pictures highlight the groove around the edge of this two pence wrong planchet coin from the United Kingdom. The planchet weighs the same as a two euro-cent planchet and is of copper plated steel for composition and attracted to a magnet. The groove all the way round the edge is a common presence on all two euro-cent planchet. A great find.

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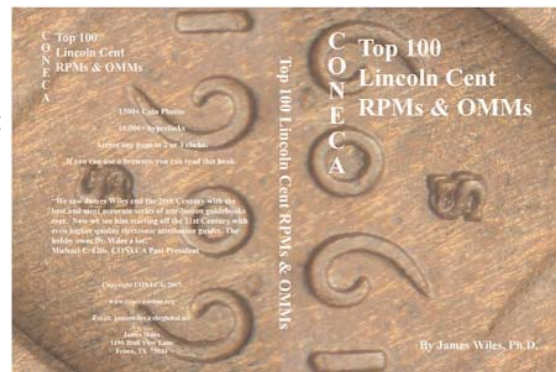
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