

# Liberty's Outlook

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## What You Don't Know About The Greek Debt Crisis Could Hurt You!

### Is This A Prelude Of What Is Coming To The US?

Although there are important financial developments galore, people around the world are mesmerized by the inability (and unwillingness) of the Greek government to make further debt repayments to the International Monetary Fund, European Central Bank, and other central banks in the Eurozone.

I stated several months ago that the Greek government had just about used up its bag of tricks trying to juggle its debt obligations while seeking even more debt. For years, it has been obvious that Greece's financial problems were not being resolved. Instead, each round of financial assistance put the nation's government even more in the hole. In other words, the new debt merely temporarily postponed the day of a financial collapse.

At some point, those subsidizing the deterioration of the Greek economy and of the failing Greek government will realize that they are merely throwing more good money down the drain.

As I write this, it is uncertain if the default to make today's debt repayment will be the "straw that breaks the camel's back." The Greek government rejected what was supposedly a "final offer" from its creditors. Then it trumped any pretense at trying to work out a deal by today's payment deadline by stating that the people of Greece would vote on the

#### 2015 Year To Date Results

Through June 29, 2015

<i>Precious Metals</i>	
Silver	-0.5%
Gold	-1.2%
Palladium	-9.3%
Platinum	-18.2%
<i>Numismatics</i>	
US MS-63 \$20 Liberty	+8.5%
US MS-65 Morgan Dollar, Pre-1921	+5.8%
US MS-63 \$20 St Gaudens	-0.7%
<i>US Dollar vs Foreign Currencies</i>	
Brazil Real	+17.3%
New Zealand Dollar	+13.8%
Euro	+7.7%
Canada Dollar	+6.7%
Australia Dollar	+6.4%
Mexico Peso	+6.4%
South Africa Rand	+5.9%
Chile Peso	+4.7%
South Korea Won	+2.4%
Japan Yen	+2.4%
Singapore Dollar	+1.6%
India Rupee	+1.0%
China Yuan	+0.1%

Hong Kong Dollar	-0.1%
Great Britain Pound	-1.0%
Switzerland Franc	-7.0%

U.S. Dollar Index	95.92	+6.47%
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#### *US And World Stock Market Indices*

Shanghai Composite	+25.3%
Tokyo Nikkei 225	+15.2%
Frankfurt Xetra DAX	+13.0%
Sao Paulo Bovespa	+6.0%
NASDAQ	+4.7%
Russell 2000	+3.5%
Dow Jones World (ex-US)	+3.3%
London FT 100	+0.8%
Australia S&P/ASX 200	+0.2%
S&P 500	-0.1%
DJIA	-1.3%

10 Year US Treasury Note interest rate	2.333%	+7.36%
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#### *Intrinsic Metal Value Of U.S. Coins*

Lincoln cent, 1959-1982	1.73¢
Lincoln cent, 1982-date	0.53¢
Jefferson nickel, non-silver	3.63¢
Roosevelt dime, 1965-date	1.65¢
Washington quarter, 1965-date	4.11¢
Kennedy half dollar, 1971-date	8.22¢

terms of the creditors' proposed deal in a national referendum on July 5.

The Greek government and its creditors are both acting as if today's payment deadline is the ultimate "make it or break it" end of subsidies to the Greek government.

The truth is that both parties have extraordinary negative consequences if no deal is worked out. If Greece does not receive another bailout, it pretty much will be forced into bankruptcy and may be forced out of the Eurozone and the European Community.

On the other side, there is far more to lose. The various creditors of the Greek government are almost all carrying these loans as being worth 100% of face value. Should the Greek government default on today's payment, all debt of this government will be in default. Since 2010, the

Greek government has received approximately \$280 billion of bailouts.

Beyond the amount of the debts, however, an even worse crisis would be all the derivatives contracts that would be triggered by a default. The amount of such derivatives tied to Greek debt is unknown. It is certainly well into the trillions and may involve quadrillions of dollars.

With so much to lose, I predict that both parties will negotiate some kind of deal that avoids an immediate international financial conflagration.

Having said that, however, I need to be explicit that whatever deal that is worked out will not be a solution to the Greek debt problems. Instead, the people of the world are just getting a bit more time

#### Value Of US Dollar As Measured Against Gold

Value of \$1.00 at creation of Federal Reserve in 1913	0.0484 tr oz
Value of \$1.00 today	0.0008 tr oz
Change in value of US dollar against gold since 1913	-98.3%

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while Greece sinks further into the hole.

As part of the negotiations to reach a deal, don't look for the Greek citizenry to budge. Since the first bailout in 2010, Greece's Gross Domestic Product (GDP) has declined by 30%. The unemployment rate has soared from 12% to 27%. Greek debt as a percentage of GDP has risen from a previous excessively high 129% to 185% today!

Since the first two rounds of bailouts have not solved the Greek financial problems, what is the incentive to seek more of the same? Especially when the current offer of almost \$17 billion will all be used to repay creditors rather than flowing to benefit the Greek government or citizenry.

A further reason that the referendum is in jeopardy is that the other member nations of the European Central Bank must also ratify this bailout. Several of these other member governments have already stated that they will veto the plan, even if the referendum passes in Greece.

In other words, there is virtually nothing to gain for the Greek government or its people to want to accept the current offer from its creditors. Therefore, I expect the referendum to fail. That will be followed by more brinkmanship by both sides before something is settled.

In the meantime, while scrounging for funds to repay its debts, the Greek government has seized private retirement account assets of its citizens, has deferred paying value added tax refunds to exporters, has stopped paying its vendors, has pulled funds out of any government accounts it could claim were "excess," and is making its citizens wait for retirement payments.

## Why Is The Greek Crisis So Important To The US?

Whatever happens to the Greek government should be of prime concern to

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the US government and to all Americans, for a number of reasons.

First, the risk of possible default on the debt that would trigger trillions or quadrillions of dollars of derivatives contracts that would certainly involve most of the major US banks. Banks such as JPMorgan Chase, Goldman Sachs, Bank of America, and Citicorp are on the hook for trillions of dollars of derivatives contracts. Any Greek government default would put the survival of these banks at risk.

As most readers of *Liberty's Outlook* already know, the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act of 2010 requires that such banks seize funds out of the accounts of other customers of the bank to cover derivatives losses. Bank customers whose funds are taken for this purpose will have no recourse to the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC) for replacement of their losses.

(This is why we recommend not having any bank accounts at banks that own derivatives.)

Second, don't be surprised if the Federal Reserve, one way or another, steps up to be part of the current Greek bailout.

Third, any default by Greece will just be a warm-up for the following defaults by other Eurozone member governments such as France, Spain, and Italy. American companies have far more financial exposures in these three nations than they do in Greece.

Fourth, and most important, what is happening in Greece today parallels much of what is happening in America. The US government's debt and unfunded liabilities, even in the most conservative estimates, now exceed 500% of GDP!

**In other words, the financial crises the Greek government is going through today are coming to the United States in the not too distant future. At the longest, I would say it could take three to four years. Sadly, it could happen much sooner than that.**

## How Can You Protect Yourself?

Once the financial crises become unmanageable, it will be too late to take many steps to protect your wealth. It may happen as soon as the general public realizes that there is no painless solution to the Greek debt dilemma.

What will happen will compare to what happens at stores when a major snowstorm is imminent. Almost always, the possibility of being hit with such a storm is broadcast multiple days in advance. Despite that, many people wait until the last few hours to think of filling their vehicles with gasoline, buying shovels, window scrapers, and snow throw-

## Patrick A. Heller's Upcoming Speeches and Appearances

September 19, Grand Rapids, Michigan, "Consumer Protections When Buying and Selling Precious Metals," part of the Michigan State Numismatic Society Educational Program, at the Neal E. Fonger Post #179 American Legion at 2327 Wilson Ave SW, Grand Rapids, MI 49534. Registration required at <http://www.michigancoinclub.org/westside%20seminar.html>. Cost \$20 to MSNS members, \$25 for non-members. Entire four programs run from 9AM to 4 PM, lunch and refreshments included in the fee.

October 22-23, Spokane, Washington, Silver Summit at the Davenport Hotel, 10 S. Post Street. Subject and time to be determined.

For more information on any event or to arrange for a presentation by Patrick A. Heller, call 800-933-4720 or email [path@libertycoinservice.com](mailto:path@libertycoinservice.com).

ers, and stocking up on perishable goods such as bread, milk, beer, and the like. All too often, those who wait until the last minute find the shelves empty of the very items they wish to purchase.

As with looming snow storms, many people will wait to stock up on local currency (in case banks are closed) and on bullion-priced gold and silver (in case the government imposes capital controls or the local currency fails).

Those who go out to acquire their cash and precious metals stashes when they are easy to acquire, especially at reasonable prices, may lose a modest amount of interest income.

But, by acquiring the spending money now instead of the last minute, such people guarantee that they will have some if (when?) the need arises.

Don't wait until the last minute. It is entirely possible that you could go to bed one night with the world seeming somewhat normal. By the time you wake up, it could be too late to withdraw funds from your bank, whether to hold or to use to buy gold and silver. If you wait too long, coin dealers will run out of stock, no matter how much you might be willing to pay (and you can bet that prices will be much higher at that point).

The smart thing to do is to accumu-

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late your cash and precious metals now, when you know you can. You also need to stock up on non-perishable food and needed medical supplies that could also be tough to come by.

I don't know if you are aware of this statistic, but the average grocery store only carries enough merchandise to last for three days. If it does not get resupplied in three days, it will run out. Like these stores, there are also many people who stock very little in non-perishable foods. The Red Cross and other disaster preparedness enterprises advocate that each household have enough food on hand to survive at least three days without restocking. You can go to <http://www.redcross.org/prepare/location/home-family> as just one source of information to prepare for a disaster.

Back in the 1980s, a number of Southeast Asian refugees relocated to our area. In conversations with them, I learned that almost every one of them was able to escape the nightmares of the homeland by paying gold to those who helped them leave. Just because they were now in the United States of America did not mean that they were forever safe. Many of these refugees set out to rebuild their holdings of gold and silver in case they would again need to flee for their lives.

### What Is Going On At JPMorgan Chase?

For the 4th quarter of 2014, the US Office of the Comptroller of the Currency (OCC) reported that JPMorgan Chase held about \$131 billion of commodity derivatives that mature within one year. For the same report for the 1st quarter of 2015, JPMorgan Chase's short-term commodity derivatives jumped all the way to \$3.9 trillion.

These kinds of derivatives held by other banks were little changed between the two quarterly reports. The net effect is that JPMorgan Chase has gone from owning about 50% of all short-term commodity derivatives contracts to owning 96% of all such outstanding contracts in just three months. See details at <http://www.occ.gov/topics/capital-markets/financial-markets/trading/>

derivatives/dq115.pdf.

At the same time that this massive shift in financial strategy occurred, the OCC, without explanation, stopped separating the amount of gold derivatives from the foreign exchange derivatives. However, it did report that derivatives contracts for all precious metals had more than tripled from the end of 2014 to the end of March 2015.

What is going on? I don't know. Others who have contacted the OCC for more details are still waiting for an answer.

Although I don't know exactly what is going on, it is suspicious that the amount of open interest contracts for gold and silver on the COMEX are running at all-time high levels over the past few weeks. With such large derivatives positions, it is easier to do certain things, such as suppress gold and silver prices.

Coincidence? We shall see.

### What About Puerto Rico?

I have had my eye on the deteriorating financial condition of the Puerto Rican government's finances for some time. With everything else going on, the inability to repay \$72 billion in debt wasn't worth discussing.

Yesterday the whole world found out how bad it is for the Commonwealth. The re-insurance company MBIA holds \$4.5 billion of Puerto Rico government debt, but has a net worth of only \$3.9 billion. If this debt defaults, that could drive MBIA into bankruptcy.

However, this isn't the worst of Puerto Rico's problems. It has substantial outstanding Variable Interest Entities (VIEs). These are off the books financial vehicles that almost led to the collapse of the American financial system in 2008. The VIEs owned by MBIA give it a market risk many times the size of its net worth.

It's no wonder that the share price of MBIA has fallen about one-third in the past four trading days!

The story gets even stranger. The largest MBIA shareholder is the investment firm Warburg Pincus. Less than six weeks ago, Warburg Pincus announced that it would dispose of 60% of its MBIA holdings. There have been no reports of how these sales have gone.

Warburg Pincus is the company that hired former US Treasury Secretary when he left government service. Geithner, when he headed the New York branch of the Federal Reserve during the worst of the 2008 financial

## Summary Of Current LCS Recommendations For Precious Metals and Rare Coins

*How much of your total net worth should be in precious metals and rare coins?*

	<u>Conservative</u>	<u>Moderate</u>	<u>Aggressive</u>
	10%	20%	25-33%

*How much to allocate for each category of precious metals and rare coins?\**

	<u>Conservative</u>	<u>Moderate</u>	<u>Aggressive</u>
Gold	40%	35%	25%
Silver	60%	55%	50%
Rare Coins	0%	10%	25%
TOTAL	100%	100%	100%

\*Platinum and palladium both have volatile markets with long-term supply/demand fundamentals that are not as attractive as those for gold, silver or rare coins. While either or both might outperform gold, silver, or rare coins in the short- to long-term, to be conservative we have omitted them from our allocation.

crisis, would know where the bad assets are hidden.

Because of its status as a Commonwealth, Puerto Rico cannot declare bankruptcy. I look for the Federal Reserve to try a sneaky, behind-the-scenes bailout. Stay tuned.

### Gold And Silver Prices Dive

With so much turmoil in world financial markets, one might reasonably expect that prudent investors would be fleeing to the safe haven assets such as physical gold and silver. Greek citizens have certainly done so.

However, you have to look at the big picture. Last Wednesday, the Federal Open Market Committee (FOMC) finished its latest regularly scheduled meeting. In its announcement, it stated that the economy was neither doing well nor poorly, but implied that interest rates may be raised before the end of the year.

Shortly after the conclusion of the meeting Federal Reserve Chair Janet Yellen stated that she foresees two increases in the federal funds interest rate this year, three more in 2016, and more in 2017. However, if the hikes she discussed were to happen, that would increase the federal budget deficit by at least a half trillion dollars per year!

Does Janet Yellen really think that the US government will ever let this

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 happen? No, it will not.

Most commentators on last week's pronouncements also seemed to have missed part of the FOMC statement in the next to last paragraph:

"The Committee currently anticipates that, even after employment and inflation are near mandate-consistent levels, economic conditions may, for some time, warrant keeping the target federal funds rate below levels the Committee views as normal in the longer run."

In plain English, this means that the pretense where the FOMC said it would start increasing interest rates is a lie. If the economy reaches the statistical levels where the FOMC claims they will increase interest rates, they still won't do so! So, why listen to them?

Something else to think about—why is it so important for the federal government to lie to the public?

With all the recent bad news from around the world, why are precious metal prices soaring?

Well, with the US government besieged with horrible financial data from every direction, it has one clear objective—suppress gold and silver prices! To prevent people from exiting paper assets like stocks, bonds, and currencies, it needs to make the alternatives look scary. Is it any coincidence that gold and silver prices have been clobbered to extreme levels during June? I think not. Expect the price suppression to continue until the US government runs out of ammunition.

## Why Are Famous Financial Managers Telling Clients To Get Their Cash Out Of Funds?

In the past few days, investment manager Blackrock, Inc. and Bill Gross (formerly of PIMCO) have both issued strong recommendations for their investors to pull their funds out of the market. What do they know that the general public does not?

## Silver and Silver Coins

Silver settled today at \$15.55, down 91 cents (5.5%) from four weeks ago.

With recent lower prices and the publicity over the Greek debt crisis, demand for physical gold and silver has taken off in the past week or so. It is nowhere near

### The Month

Gold Range	33.75	2.8%
Net Change	-13.25	
Silver Range	0.91	5.5%
Net Change	-0.91	
Gold/Silver Ratio	75.4	
Net change	+3.4	
Platinum Range	55.00	5.0%
Net Change	-26.00	
Platinum/Gold Ratio	0.92	

Date	Gold	Silver	Platinum
Jun 03	1,184.75	16.46	1,104.00
Jun 04	1,175.00	16.08	1,099.00
Jun 05	1,167.75	15.97	1,092.00
Jun 08	1,172.75	15.96	1,101.00
Jun 09	1,177.25	15.95	1,108.00
Jun 10	1,186.00	15.95	1,115.00
Jun 11	1,180.00	15.95	1,105.00
Jun 12	1,178.75	15.81	1,096.00
Jun 15	1,185.25	16.07	1,088.00
Jun 16	1,180.50	15.96	1,079.00
Jun 17	1,176.50	15.94	1,072.00
Jun 18	1,201.50	16.15	1,082.00
Jun 19	1,201.50	16.10	1,086.00
Jun 22	1,183.75	16.14	1,060.00
Jun 23	1,176.25	15.73	1,067.00
Jun 24	1,173.25	15.84	1,074.00
Jun 25	1,171.50	15.80	1,084.00
Jun 26	1,173.00	15.73	1,084.00
Jun 29	1,178.50	15.66	1,080.00
Jun 30	1,171.50	15.55	1,078.00

London Silver Market Premium To New York Silver Market = 2¢

Gold, silver and platinum quotes are work-in spots at 1:45 EST/EDT each day, quoted in U.S. dollars per troy ounce.

record levels, but demand is the strongest it has been thus far in 2015.

There is one sign of a possible looming supply shortage. The premium on US **90% Silver Coin** (19.0%) has soared from 9.7% on June 3rd. Premiums can jump on these coins as they have been out of production for 50 years, whereas **100, 10, and 1 Ounce Silver Ingots** (7.1-8.0%) are still in current production. I love 90% Silver Coin for its divisibility, where each dime contains about 1/14 of an ounce of silver. However, at current premiums, which are higher than US **Silver Eagle Dollars** (18.3%) and Canada **Silver Maple Leafs** (16.0%), I would not now recommend purchasing some. The Ingots look to be the preferable option today.

Even with the significant decline in the spot silver price, demand for **Common-Date Morgan and Peace Silver Dollars in various Mint State grades** remained solid, with no price decreases and a few that rose.

What could be even more attractive? Go for **Better-Date High Grade Morgan Silver Dollars**. We obtained favorable enough prices on some that we can offer them today at, or even below, what we would charge for common date issues. See our enclosed flyer.

## Gold And Gold Coins

Although its price also fell, gold fared better over the past month than silver. It declined just \$13.25 (1.1%).

Demand has been lackluster for most of 2015—until just over a week ago. Like silver, nervous investors are taking advantage of what I consider to be tempting low prices to stock up. While I recommend holding 10-20% of one's net worth or investment portfolio in physical precious metals, I expect that today's buyers will be happy buying at current prices compared to what they will be within a few years. If you want to add gold and silver beyond an insurance position, you have my blessing.

My low premium favorites for physical gold remain the US **American Arts Medallions** (2.1%), the Austria **100 Corona** (2.0%), and the Mexico **50 Pesos** (2.1%).

Even though the price of gold fell during June, there were significant price increases for Pre-1934 \$2.50, \$5.00, and \$10.00 Liberties graded MS-62 through MS-64, mostly ranging from 5-10%. Those savvy enough to have jumped on our offer of MS-64 \$5.00 Liberties six months ago are already in a profit position, despite a gold price that is down more than 5% since then. On average, I expect prices for most **Pre-1934 US Gold Coins** to continue to appreciate in the coming months.

## Alongside Night Movie Videos Finally On Sale

After some delays for technical glitches, the *Alongside Night* movie Blu-Ray/DVD 3-disc Combo Packs go on sale this coming week. Readers of this newsletter can be among the first to acquire their copies. Please see our enclosed offer for details.

**Liberty Coin Service Computer Quotes 2PM EDT 6.30.15**

**Spot Prices**

Item	Qty	Fine Wt	Price	Cost/Oz	Premium
*U.S. 1 Oz Gold Eagle	10	1.0000	1,230.00	1230.00	4.9%
*U.S. 1/2 Oz Gold Eagle	10	0.5000	633.25	1266.50	8.0%
*U.S. 1/4 Oz Gold Eagle	10	0.2500	324.75	1299.00	10.8%
*U.S. 1/10 Oz Gold Eagle	10	0.1000	133.80	1338.00	14.1%
*U.S. 1 Oz Gold Buffalo	10	1.0000	1,230.00	1230.00	4.9%
*Australia 1 Oz Kangaroo	10	1.0000	1,232.25	1232.25	5.1%
*Austria 100 Corona	10	0.9802	1,172.25	1195.93	2.0%
*Austria 1 Oz Philharmonic	10	1.0000	1,232.25	1232.25	5.1%
*Canada 1 Oz Maple Leaf	10	1.0000	1,216.00	1216.00	3.7%
*China 1 Oz Panda	10	1.0000	1,254.50	1254.50	7.0%
*Mexico 50 Peso	10	1.2057	1,443.25	1197.02	2.1%
*S. Africa Krugerrand	10	1.0000	1,219.50	1219.50	4.0%
*U.S. Medallion	10	1.0000	1,197.00	1197.00	2.1%
*50 Gram Combibar	10	1.6077	2,067.75	1286.15	9.7%
*1 Oz Ingot	10	1.0000	1,206.50	1206.50	2.9%
*Austria 1 Ducat	10	0.1107	140.30	1267.39	8.1%
*Austria 4 Ducat	10	0.4428	573.25	1294.60	10.4%
*British Sovereign	10	0.2354	293.00	1244.69	6.2%
*British Sovereign, BU	10	0.2354	307.00	1304.16	11.2%
*France 20 Franc	10	0.1867	236.00	1264.06	7.8%
*Swiss 20 Franc	10	0.1867	236.00	1264.06	7.8%
\$20 Liberty BU	10	0.9675	1,330.00	1374.68	17.2%
\$20 St Gaudens BU	10	0.9675	1,340.00	1385.01	18.1%
\$20 Liberty Extremely Fine	10	0.9675	1,295.00	1338.50	14.2%
\$10 Liberty Extremely Fine	10	0.4838	655.00	1353.87	15.5%
\$5 Liberty Extremely Fine	10	0.2419	355.00	1467.55	25.2%
*U.S. 90% Silver Coin	1,000	715	13,275.00	18.57	19.0%
*U.S. 40% Silver Coin	1,000	295	4,900.00	16.61	6.5%
*U.S. Circulated Dollars	1,000	760	20,500.00	26.97	72.9%
*U.S. Silver Eagle-2015	1,000	1,000	18,450.00	18.45	18.3%
*Canada Silver Maple Leaf	1,000	1,000	18,100.00	18.10	16.0%
*100 Oz Silver Ingot	10	100	1,670.00	16.70	7.1%
*10 Oz Silver Ingot	100	10	168.00	16.80	7.7%
*1 Oz Silver Ingot	1,000	1	16.85	16.85	8.0%
*1 Oz Platinum Ingot	10	1.0000	1,146.00	1146.00	5.3%
*U.S. 1 Oz Platinum Eagle	10	1.0000	Not available		
*U.S. 1/2 Oz Plat Eagle	10	0.5000	Not available		
*U.S. 1/4 Oz Plat Eagle	10	0.2500	Not available		
*U.S. 1/10 Oz Plat Eagle	10	0.1000	Not available		
*Other 1 Oz Plat Coins	10	1.0000	Not available		
*Canada Palladium ML	10	1.0000	713.00	713.00	5.2%

<b>Gold:</b>	\$1,172.50
<b>Silver:</b>	\$15.60
<b>Platinum:</b>	\$1,088.00
<b>Palladium:</b>	\$678.00

**Notes from Liberty**

By Allan Beegle  
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For most of June, precious metals sales were lackadaisical. But, over the past ten days, demand really took off. As a result, June's sales volume was our highest in nine months!

Of course, our customer demand for collector coins and paper money has continued to grow, especially with the hundreds of items offered for sale for the last two months on our website. If you have not visited [www.libertycoinservice.com](http://www.libertycoinservice.com) recently, you are in for a treat.

As I anticipated, just about everything featured in last month's newsletter sold out quickly. All we have left are a few pieces of the Ancient Roman Hadrian Silver Denarius. LCS General Manager Tom Coulson tells me these would have sold out as well except some were misplaced when customers wanted to buy them.

While several staff took vacations over the past few weeks, we have picked up some interesting coins to add to our website.

When LCS Owner Emeritus and Communications Officer Pat Heller returned from the Texas Numismatic Association show in Arlington less than five weeks ago, he was excited and finding a batch of Better-Date Mint State-64 Morgan Silver Dollars that we could offer right at the same price as Common-Date issues. However, outside of these purchases, he was unable to find many of the other **Better-Date Early Morgan Silver Dollars with High Appreciation Potential**. Demand for these coins is so strong that a handful are priced above catalog values. The 1878 7 Tail Feather

<b>LCS Postage Charges</b>	
Value of Contents	Postage Charge
Under \$250	\$8
\$250-499	\$15
\$500-999	\$22
\$1,000-4,999	\$30
\$5,000 and higher	None

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*Coins, Rolls and Sets*

U.S. 10 pc Gold Medallion Set, 1980-1984, BU	\$9,825
U.S. Morgan Dollar, 1921, Brilliant Uncirculated Roll/20	\$700
U.S. Morgan Dollar, Pre-1921, Brilliant Uncirculated Roll/20	\$925
U.S. Peace Dollar, Brilliant Uncirculated Roll/20	\$630

<b>Gold:</b>	\$1,172.50
<b>Silver:</b>	\$15.60
<b>Platinum:</b>	\$1,088.00
<b>Palladium:</b>	\$678.00

*Numismatic Coins (PCGS/NGC/ICG Graded)*

	MS-63	MS-64	MS-65
U.S. \$20.00 St Gaudens	1,395	1,480	1,940
U.S. \$20.00 Liberty	1,730	1,890	3,450
U.S. \$10.00 Liberty	1,020	1,570	3,015
U.S. \$5.00 Liberty	655	870	2,500
U.S. 4 pc Indian Gold Type Set	4,070	5,460	14,595
U.S. 4 pc Liberty Gold Type Set	3,915	4,910	9,890
U.S. 8 pc Gold Type Set	7,925	10,220	24,035
U.S. Morgan Dollar (Pre-1921)	65	79	164
U.S. Peace Dollar	52	64	125

Prices quoted are for quantities indicated, and are actual selling prices at today's closes. Smaller lots are available at slightly higher prices. No Michigan Sales Tax on rare coins or precious metals bullion. Numismatic purchases have a 15 day return period. Orders for bullion-priced items (marked with \*) are not returnable and, after confirmation, cannot be cancelled.

Morgan in Very Choice Mint State-64 condition is priced more than 10% above catalog value—yet our price is still below what recent specimens have sold for in auction!

It has been more than two years since we have been able to offer such a wide selection of these desirable coins. Yet, despite our persistent efforts, we only have about 2/3 of the number of coins that we offered in April 2013. Many coins are one-of-a-kind, so don't wait long to place your order.

Finally, after overcoming some technology issues, the **Alongside Night Movie 3-disc Blu-Ray/DVD Combo Packs** are going on sale next Monday.

The movie was adapted from the award-winning classic novel of the same name that was published in 1979. Yet author and movie director and producer J. Neil Schulman foresaw and portrayed many of the scary global financial crises we are seeing today, along with the gradual diminution of our civil rights and liberties, that you almost might feel he was reading newspapers from the future as he wrote the book.

The movie is preceded by a 6-minute informational for Liberty Coin Service. If you ever wanted to get an idea of what our showroom looks like, here is your opportunity to view it.

*Alongside Night* will have its national sales debut in Las Vegas on July 8. Should you wish to purchase multiple copies for

yourself to watch, give away, or resell, we offer attractive discounts for bulk purchases.

Incidentally, there just was not enough space in the enclosed flyer to list all the features of the videos. For instance, the movie is closed captioned for the hearing impaired and also can show French or Spanish subtitles. The Blu-Ray version has the capability to produce sound quality of movie theater quality if you have top caliber sound equipment.

I regularly remind you to place your orders early for maximum selection. We did have some callers last month who were too late. Don't let that happen to you. Call our **Trading Desk toll-free at 800-527-2375** to check on availability and to confirm your order.

As usual, here are some special purchases that we have not listed on our website. This gives our readers the first opportunity to snap them up. Have fun reviewing these treasures:

**Low-Mintage 1914 \$20.00 St Gaudens Double Eagles:** Other than the original High Relief 1907 \$20.00 Saints, only five dates and mintmarks have mintages of less than 100,000. Of these five, the 1914, with a mintage of just 95,250 is the most affordable.

In fact, for more than the past quarter century, we have snapped up every Mint State-60 through Mint State-62 specimen we have come across that met our strict quality standards and was reasonably priced—but can never find enough for all of our customers.

We now have two PCGS-certified specimens. The Mint State-61 specimen is bright and sure to please any collector for the grade. The Mint State-62 piece has three minor toning spots, two obverse and one on the reverse, that you have to look closely to notice. In *Coin Values*, Mint State-60 coins catalog for \$1,600 while the MS-62 examples list at \$2,000. While they last, you can own the MS-61 quality coin for \$1,595 or the MS-62 specimen for \$1,795.

**Lovely Mint State-62+ 1884-S \$5.00 Liberty Rarity:** The 1884-S \$5.00 Liberty has a modest mintage of just 177,000 coins. Virtually all of them were released into circulation. Finding Mint State specimens is tough. Over the past 29 years, PCGS and NGC combined have certified just 143 specimens of this date in higher grades than this PCGS-certified beauty.

If it were not for a staple scratch (almost invisible under fluorescent light) from the bottom of the neck into the field, the coin would have graded much higher. This date catalogs for \$900 in MS-62 and for \$1,050 in MS-63 in *Coin Values*. At our price of \$795, you will be happy.

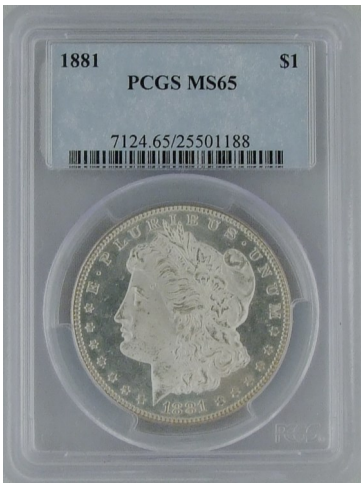
**Turks & Caicos Islands 1978 Queen's Beasts 10-Coin Gold Proof Set:**

In honor of British Queen Elizabeth's 25th Anniversary of Her Coronation, Turks & Caicos issued a 10-coin Gold Proof Set honoring the Queen's Beasts. The set is packaged in two folders, each holding five coins, inside a slipcase.

Mintages are tiny, ranging from just 254 coins up to a maximum of 270. Each of these 50 Crown coins contains .1437 oz of gold, so the set contains 1.437 ounces of gold.

The reverses depict The Lion of England, The Griffin of Edward III, The Yale of Beaufort, The Red Dragon of Wales, The Unicorn of Scotland, The Black Bull of Clarence, The White Horse of Hanover, The White Greyhound of Richmond, The White Lion of Mortimer, and The Falcon of the Plantagenets.

Each coin is pristine, easily grading Gem Proof-65 or better. At our price of \$1,950, you can also own it for less than 16% above its gold value.



# Better Date Morgan Silver Dollars



## **Prices Are Rising! Supplies Are Drying Up!**

by Patrick A. Heller, LCS Owner Emeritus and Communications Officer

**Like paying just ten, twenty, or thirty cents on the dollar!** In early 2007, I prepared an analysis of the Morgan Silver Dollar series in grades MS-63 through MS-66. The analysis compared the prices of the coins at the last major market peak in June 1989 against their relative rarity and current catalog values. Then I compared this data against that of the 1881-S Morgan, the most common issue in high quality.

From this analysis, I calculated an Undervaluation Index™ for each date and mintmark in all four of these grades of the Morgan series. Those coins earning an Undervaluation Index™ of 20 or higher were given our Highest Recommendation for appreciation potential. Coins earning an Undervaluation Index™ of 10-19.99 merited our High Recommendation for appreciation prospects.

As you might suspect, many of the coins that look like the best values are the less-common issues, especially those that can now be purchased for a fraction of their mid-1989 prices! Our customers have eagerly sought these coins ever since we published our analysis. The attraction is easy to understand—as many of these coins can be acquired for 70%, 80%, or even 90% less than they cost 26 years ago!

**The good and the bad news!** I updated this analysis in 2010 for changes in the supply of coins and current catalog values. In the process, I discovered that, in general, the Morgan Dollars that earned the Highest Recommendation outperformed those that did not. As a group, the coins with the lowest Undervaluation Index™, which were not recommended at all, performed the worst.

Since publishing my original analysis in 2007, just about all Better Date Morgans we have acquired have quickly sold whenever we have had enough to offer.

**The good news:** We have continued to aggressively seek these Better Date Morgans at every major coin show we attend. In the process we have been able to hand-select the nicest specimens one-, two-, or a few-at-a-time at reasonable prices!

Each coin has been independently certified by either the Professional Coin Grading Service (PCGS) or the Numismatic Guaranty Corporation (NGC) as well as passing our own fussy scrutiny.

The **bad news** is that there are fewer than 140 coins among 32 different dates, mintmarks, and grades. Many of these coins are one-of-a-kind! When they are gone, we cannot tell when we may locate more or at what prices they will then cost.

**More bad news!** At the Texas Numismatic Association show at the end of last month, I acquired the smallest quantity of these

coins as I have ever have acquired when attending this show. Of the coins I did bring back, some have already been purchased by customers who were unable to take advantage of our offer of selected Better Dates Morgans in the previous newsletter.

**But wait, there is more good and bad news!** Just look at the table on the reverse. These coins range from six to over 70 times scarcer than the 1881-S date in the same and higher quality. Every coin has earned an Undervaluation Index™ of 17 or higher, with most coins having an Index above 50!

The problem is that prices for several coins have risen so far, that several pieces are priced above the *Coin Values* catalog value. Take the very first coin listed, for example. Our selling price is higher than catalog even though we offer it for less than the most recent specimens have sold in auction!

Although we would like to have a larger stock of coins before making a general offering, we have decided to offer them now rather than risk further price increases in the coming months. For a few of the coins listed, we have been able to keep prices at the levels we sold them for last summer. Even where we were unable to hold prices to last year's levels, we have tried to pass along significant savings compared to prices being asked by some of our competitors for coins that may not look as nice as our selected specimens.

**A bonus opportunity!** There are a few dates where we were able to acquire several specimens at better prices than typical. Consequently, we offer special savings along to you—pricing them at the very same price or even below the prices we charge for common date specimens! See the ones marked in **bold**.

**They won't last long:** There is a good chance that this list will sell out quickly. A delay may cost you the opportunity to take advantage of today's price levels!

Review the list for rarity compared to the 1881-S Morgans, check the value, then call us today! With so few coins, we have omitted the order coupon. **You must call our Trading Desk at 800-527-2375 to confirm availability and to reserve your order.** The only charge on top of the price of the coins is a postage charge that depends on the total value of the order (see the chart on the Computer Quotes page). For fastest shipment, you can use your Visa, Mastercard, or Discover charge card to have your purchase shipped to the credit card billing address.

Your satisfaction is guaranteed! You have 14 days upon your receipt to return these coins for a full, prompt, no-questions refund.

# Better-Date Morgan Silver Dollars

## Compare Rarity and Value to the 1881-S Date

Date	Grade	PCGS/NGC Population for grade or higher	June 1989 Price	<i>Coin Values</i>	Undervaluation Index™*	Rarity to 1881-S	LCS Price
1878 7 Tail Feather R-78	MS-64	9,681	\$565	\$225	18	35x	\$250
1878-S	MS-65	9,941	\$1,100	\$300	26	14x	\$279
1879	MS-63	19,076	\$140	\$90	37	23x	\$89
1880	MS-63	21,494	\$115	\$75	31	21x	\$85
1881	MS-65	2,043	\$4,250	\$800	60	70x	\$595
1882	MS-63	30,931	\$100	\$70	28	14x	\$79
1882-O	MS-64	12,466	\$690	\$125	176	25x	\$125
1884	MS-65	5,245	\$1,475	\$350	41	27x	\$299
1884-O	MS-66	3,763	\$3,850	\$300	76	10x	\$289
<b>1885</b>	<b>MS-66</b>	<b>3,797</b>	<b>\$4,150</b>	<b>\$270</b>	<b>64</b>	<b>9x</b>	<b>\$255</b>
<b>1887</b>	<b>MS-66</b>	<b>5,951</b>	<b>\$4,700</b>	<b>\$300</b>	<b>55</b>	<b>6x</b>	<b>\$250</b>
1888	MS-65	11,423	\$1,150	\$200	52	12x	\$229
1888	MS-66	1,895	\$8,200	\$500	63	19x	\$519
1888-O	MS-64	22,433	\$315	\$110	55	15x	\$110
1890-O	MS-64	8,265	\$690	\$290	17	41x	\$279
1897	MS-65	4,009	\$1,875	\$300	94	35x	\$289
1898	MS-65	6,677	\$1,600	\$225	90	21x	\$235
1898	MS-66	1,399	\$7,400	\$650	105	26x	\$575
1898-O	MS-66	4,599	\$3,900	\$300	30	8x	\$319
1899-O	MS-66	2,800	\$3,900	\$275	99	13x	\$275
1900	MS-65	9,694	\$1,325	\$155	45	14x	\$179
<b>1900-O</b>	<b>MS-65</b>	<b>15,644</b>	<b>\$850</b>	<b>\$170</b>	<b>37</b>	<b>9x</b>	<b>\$160</b>
1900-O	MS-66	2,221	\$5,400	\$375	88	16x	\$395
1901-O	MS-65	9,179	\$1,425	\$180	65	13x	\$179
<b>1902-O</b>	<b>MS-65</b>	<b>12,858</b>	<b>\$1,125</b>	<b>\$200</b>	<b>59</b>	<b>11x</b>	<b>\$160</b>
1902-O	MS-66	1,284	\$6,600	\$500	131	29x	\$480
1903	MS-64	17,108	\$315	\$115	20	20x	\$109
1903	MS-65	7,095	\$1,600	\$330	50	20x	\$285
1903	MS-66	1,664	\$4,800	\$600	85	22x	\$495
1904-O	MS-66	2,664	\$3,500	\$360	60	14x	\$360
1921-S	MS-64	11,120	\$375	\$150	28	31x	\$139
<i>For comparison</i>							
1881-S	MS-63	455,013	\$75	\$60	1		\$65
1881-S	MS-64	346,447	\$195	\$65	2		\$79
1881-S	MS-65	144,193	\$675	\$150	4		\$164
1881-S	MS-66	37,701	\$1,700	\$240	3		\$255

\* Data as of February 2010 analysis

**Note: Coins listed in bold are priced at or below our prices for Common-Date Morgans of the same grade!**



# ***Alongside Night—Now Available On Video!***

To: All Clients

From: Patrick A. Heller  
LCS Owner Emeritus and Communications Officer Executive  
Producer of *Alongside Night* movie

Date: June 29, 2015

The awaited unofficial debut of the Blu-Ray/DVD Combo Pack of the movie *Alongside Night* is scheduled for Monday, July 6 at Liberty Coin Service in Lansing. The official kickoff of national sales will be in Las Vegas on July 8 at an event attended by select invited guests.

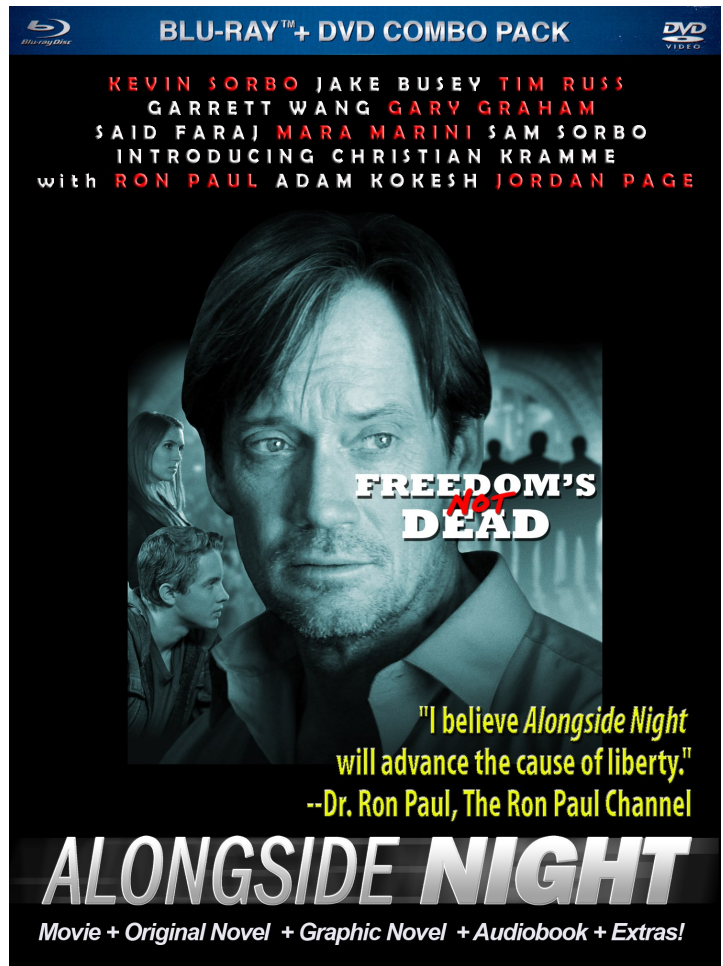
If you are trying to understand all the worrying events unfolding in the world today—Greek insolvency, international terrorism, massive US government budget deficits spiraling out of control, people deprived of their civil rights and liberties, the elimination of almost all financial privacy, Puerto Rico's financial crisis (is the US next?), a president out of touch with reality—you need to watch *Alongside Night*!

J. Neil Schulman directed and produced this movie, based on his award-winning classic novel of the same name that was first published in 1979! Of the book, Nobel prize-winning economist Milton Friedman said, "An absorbing novel—science fiction, yet also a cautionary tale with a disturbing resemblance to past history and future possibilities." Marvel at how well Schulman foresaw decades ago what is happening in the world today!

In a collapsing near-future America, brilliant high school senior Elliot Vreeland searches for his famous missing father and family, putting him between an out-of-control federal government and a revolutionary agorist underground. Experience the imaginative idea of how the timeless principles expressed in the Declaration of Independence—life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness—can be rescued, and freedom and prosperity can be reclaimed.

## **A Stellar Cast!**

*Alongside Night* features a host of Hollywood veterans, headlined by Kevin Sorbo, star of last year's surprise hit *God's Not Dead* and of the long-running international hit television shows *Hercules: The Legendary Journeys* and Gene Roddenberry's *Andromeda*. The film also features Jake Busey (*Starship Troopers*, *Contact*), Tim Russ and Garrett Wang (*Star Trek: Voyager*), Gary Graham (*Alien Nation* and semi-regular on *Star Trek: Enterprise*), Said Faraj (*Green Zone*), Mara Marini (recurring guest on *Parks and Recreation*), Sam Sorbo (Kevin Sorbo's real-life spouse), and a cameo appearance by Dr. Ron Paul, a three-time presidential candidate. The film's hero is played by newcomer Christian Kramme, the son of Sorbo's character, Nobel Prize-winning economist Martin Vreeland.



PG-13 for sexual references, violence, and drug content , 112 minutes



**Special Appearance By LCS store, staff and Gold Liberties!** As I personally financed production of *Alongside Night*, some of us have cameo appearances in the film. I appear as the AnarchoBank Exchange Officer. Current LCS Owner and General Manager Tom Coulson is the proprietor of the Liberty Coin Service kiosk in a scene in the underground shopping mall scene. LCS spokesmodels Daniel and Amy Heller are extras in the opening classroom scene, seated right in front of Elliot Vreeland. In *Alongside Night*, a company identified as LibertyCoinService.com is the private issuer of Gold Liberties used in the free market underground supported by the Revolutionary Agorist Cadre.

**A Blu-Ray/DVD Combo Pack With All The Extras!**

Each Combo Pack contains a Blu-Ray and a DVD disc of the movie, with a 6-minute infomercial for Liberty Coin Service at the beginning. There is also a third DVD in the pack which contains a copy of the novel, the audiobook, the graphic novel, director's commentary, outtakes, musical selections from the outstanding soundtrack performed by the National Symphony Orchestra of Ukraine, interviews with the stars, and much more.

Go ahead and sample the movie by viewing the trailer online at <http://www.alongsidenightmovie.com/>. Experience the haunting theme song sung by Soleil O'Neal-Schulman at <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ySRrsXzuBgc>.

**Get your copies now!**

*Alongside Night* should eventually be available on Amazon, Netflix, Redbox, pay-per-view, other electronic formats, and in stores nationwide. You can get yours starting July 6. All of this content can be yours for just \$19.95 per copy.

**Save money if you purchase 10 or more copies.** Subtract the indicated discount in the box below at the left. For those looking to resell the videos, we can supply you a sales tax exemption certificate to complete. Michigan residents add 6% sales tax.

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To reserve your purchase, call us toll free at **800-527-2375**. Or return the coupon below. You may use your Visa, Mastercard, or Discover credit card payments for purchases shipped to the billing address of the credit card.

Sincerely,



Patrick A. Heller

Yes! Please ship me *Alongside Night* Blu-Ray/DVD 3-disc Combo Packs that I have indicated below. I understand that unopened products may be returned for a full refund of the purchase price for any reason within 14 days of my receipt.

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