



# YN-SIDER

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### Currency of the Apocalypse

**a.k.a. Zombucks**

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Do you like things that are unusual...unbelievable...undead? Then you're gonna love Zombucks, an exclusive series of ten bullion rounds cast in both silver and copper. Each one is based on an historical figure/coin design.

About two years ago, at the St. Charles show, I was cruising through one dealers bargain bin when I ran across this really strange coin. One side had what looked like a buffalo's skeleton. Then I saw the words "American ZomBuff", being a die-hard Zombie fan, it was love at first sight. I continued digging and unearthed a second Zombie coin. This one was labeled "Murk Diem".

Through research I learned there would only be ten different coins in the series and my ZomBuff was number three. It was meant to honor the Indian head nickel design by James Earle Fraser. Originally the Zombie infection only affected humans, however, over time it spread to the mighty buffalo as well. Black Diamond is the focus of the obverse, showing his deterioration from the disease. The inscription reads "The American-ZomBuff", "Z2" and "2018".

The Murk Diem is number five in the series and pays homage to the Mercury Dime. The original dime circulated from 1916-1945 and was designed by Adolph Weinman. The words Murk Diem mean "dark day", as befitting the sad image of Lady Liberty on the coin's obverse. The inscription reads "Murk Diem", "Z50" and "2018".

The reverse on both coins, constructed as a warning, depicts a biohazard symbol splattered with blood. The inscription reads "Currency of the Apocalypse", "Zombucks", "1 oz." ".999 Fine Copper" along with a Provident Compass.

By showing Liberty's winged cap, symbolizing freedom, in shambles and the once mighty Black Diamond as a shell of his former self, these coins stand as a warning to all. The message is that without vigilance freedom is susceptible to decay and must be carefully guarded and protected. As a lover of all things unique, I intend to keep scouring the bargain bins in search of the remaining eight coins in the Zombuck series.



### Editor's Corner

As the summer starts, I hope that everyone gets a chance to enjoy the fresh, warm weather. In a side note, a big congratulations to the class of 2018. Good luck to our new grads. Also, I'm still looking for editorial help in writing articles for the newsletter. Contact me at [flyingeagleeditor@gmail.com](mailto:flyingeagleeditor@gmail.com) or talk to me at a meeting. Hope to see you all there.

Dillon

## YN Assignment for June 2018 20th Century (1900-1999) U.S. Coins

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

1. How many type nickels were minted in the 20<sup>th</sup> century? \_\_\_\_\_
2. What are the 1<sup>st</sup> and last years the Peace dollar was minted? \_\_\_\_\_
3. How many circulating type dollars were minted in the 20<sup>th</sup> century? \_\_\_\_\_
4. How many type dimes were minted in the 1900's? \_\_\_\_\_
5. What was the first year MODERN commemorative coins were minted? \_\_\_\_\_
6. What are the 1<sup>st</sup> and last years the Liberty Standing Quarter was minted? \_\_\_\_\_
7. How many circulating type half dollars were minted in the 20<sup>th</sup> century? \_\_\_\_\_
8. How many type cents were minted in the 20<sup>th</sup> century? \_\_\_\_\_
9. What are the 1<sup>st</sup> and last years the Walking Liberty half dollar was minted? \_\_\_\_\_
10. How many type quarters were minted in the 20<sup>th</sup> century? \_\_\_\_\_

If any YN is unable to attend the meeting, this assignment may be mailed to:

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10 correct = 3 auction dollars  
9 correct = 2 auction dollars  
8 correct = 1 auction dollar

### YN CHIT CHAT

Hello.

This month's meeting was great. The YNs had a very interesting lesson on "POGs". For you who don't know, POG stands for Passion fruit, Orange, Guava. They were small chips used as money for army and air force forces in war zones. Ten YNs were present. Nathan



### YN 2018 COIN SEARCH

The search continues. Still looking for a P nickel and P&D dime.

### 2019 Red Books

2019 Redbooks were issued to YN's at the May meeting. Any YN who needs a Redbook needs to see your YN advisor.

### COINS FOR "A"s

As the school year ends soon, if any YN has 3 "A's" on their next report card, you need to give a copy to your YN advisor. At the last meeting, Dillon turned in his report card with many "A's". Good report, Dillon.