



Young Numismatist's Monthly Discussion

The U.S. Civil War

"The Beginning of the End – 1863-1865"

1. What is the most common date on a Civil War "token"? Why is that? How many varieties of Civil War "tokens" are there?
2. Who took command of the Army of the West (Jan. 1863)? Which city was he ordered to capture, and which coin(s); (both modern and "classic") commemorate him?
3. Who was Robert E. Lee's "right arm" at the Battle of Chancellorsville? What was his "nickname", and how did he die? Which coin(s) is he featured on?
4. Who did President Lincoln appoint as the fifth commander of the Army of the Potomac? Who were the first four? Why were they replaced? Which ones are featured on U.S. coins?
5. Which battle resulted once Confederate troops had invaded the North in July of 1863? Which coins (both modern and "classic") commemorate the event?
6. What was the last Confederate "stronghold" on the Mississippi River? What was the result of the conflict there on July 4, 1863 and why was it so significant? Which coin commemorates this battle?
7. What happened, in a brief two minutes, on Nov. 19, 1863 that helped the people of our country understand what the conflict was about? On which U.S. coin is it featured?
8. In regards to the Civil War; what is a "copperhead"?
Hint: It's NOT a coin and it's NOT a snake!
9. In March of 1864 U.S. Grant was replaced as commander of the Army of the West? Why was he replaced? Who replaced him? What was the "March to the Sea"?
10. Which ATB (America the Beautiful) Quarters feature Civil War subjects?

Bonus: Which of the following coins could NOT have been in a soldier's pocket as they watched Robert E. Lee surrender to General Grant at Appomattox?

1. large cent
2. copper Indian cent
3. two cent piece
4. silver dime
5. three cent nickel
6. shield nickel
7. twenty cent piece
8. bust quarter
9. seated liberty quarter
9. Barber half
11. Morgan dollar
12. liberty quarter eagle
13. three dollar gold
14. liberty double eagle