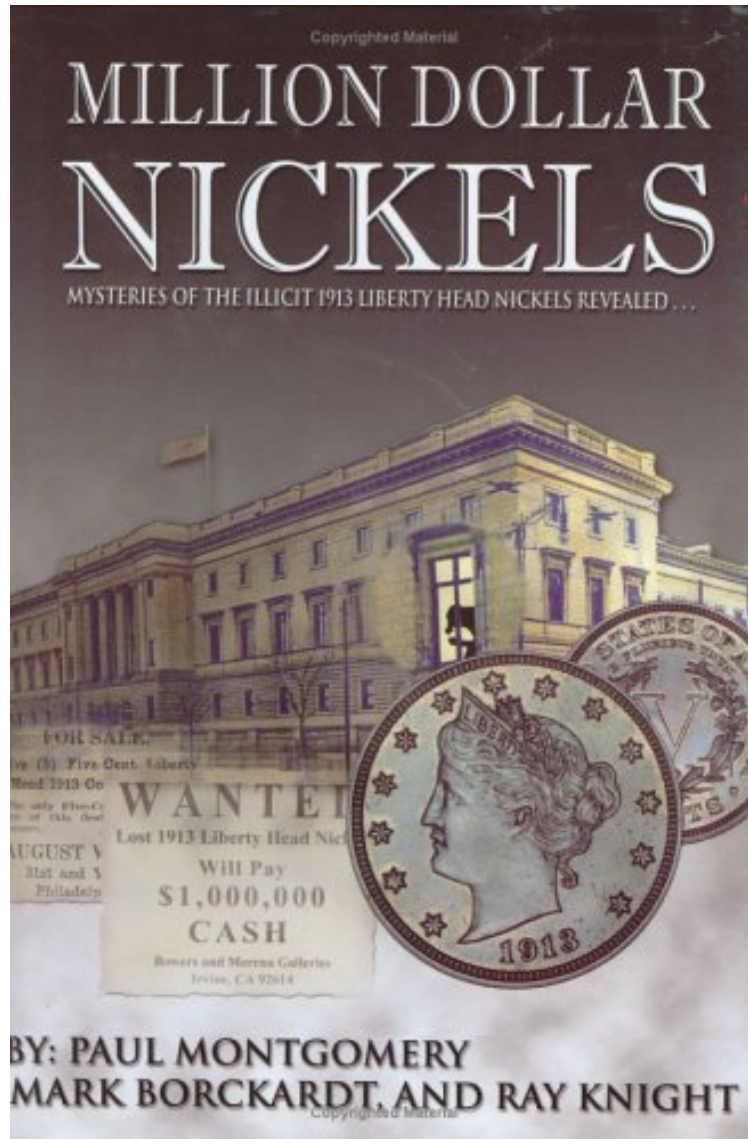


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2 of 2 people found the following review helpful. Everything you could want to know about these nickels By William Fulton I teach a class on coin collecting and during the discussion about the Walton nickel, I mentioned about some of

the events concerning the authentication. My recollection was based on an article that I had read in a major coin magazine. One of my students asked a question which basically challenged one of my statements and since I couldn't answer the question properly, decided to go directly to the source and contact Fred Weinberg who was one of the authenticators of this particular coin. What I really wanted was some sort of written provenance concerning the events leading to the authentication. Fred told me that he didn't have any written documentation concerning the event, however, this book was written by people who were actually there during the entire process and any quotes attributed to him (Fred) were accurate. He strongly recommended that I get the book to read about the history of all five of the nickels. Armed with that referral, I immediately ordered the book and found it to not only be extremely thorough, but was well written. What really enlightened me, however, was the considerable difference in the facts. As it turned out (and no doubt Fred was aware of), the article in the coin magazine took quite an artistic license with the facts. It seems that the information that I was repeating was not accurate at all. With the book fully digested and in hand, I was able to go back to my class and inform them on what the correct information really was, not what was erroneously reported in a magazine article. It taught me a very valuable lesson and I want to acknowledge that Fred was a true gentleman in how he directed me to the proper information. For anybody who is interested in learning about the 1913 Liberty Head Nickels, this is not only a MUST-READ book, it is quite possibly the ONLY definitive book on these nickels. 0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. A collection of random stories from emails and online forums By Customer The book is nothing more than a collection of stories, none of which is more than several pages. At the end of each chapter there are citations (first sign this book isn't professionally put together). When you start reading you'll notice the authors referring to emails from experts; I don't know how many times I thought to myself how little effort was put into research that you're actually telling me all you did was write an email. Also, one of the first chapters has a quote filled with exclamation points from an online forum sharing someone's opinion. How is this credible, or even important, information? You can't go more than a few pages without reading lengthy quotes, which make you wonder how much writing did the authors really do. No idea how they sold any for \$27. Not even worth \$7.0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. This was a great book, very easy to read and was a ... By Customer This was a great book, very easy to read and was a page turner. The first part of the book set up the story and provided the background on the coins. The second part of the book detailed the "lost" Walton nickel - and this part was most interesting and well written. The story is compelling and interesting how the experts authenticated the coin. Highly recommended for numismatists that have not read this.

Renowned numismatists Mark Borckardt and Paul Montgomery, along with researcher Ray Knight, uncover a 90-year old mystery involving the most valuable five coins in America. Framed in the backdrop of a nation-wide media frenzy is a story of eccentric and famous collectors, persistent reporters searching for the truth, an anonymous heiress, shameless profiteers, and agents of the Smithsonian desperate to stay above the fray. *Million Dollar Nickels* reveals previously unknown information to dealers, and to the public, an outlandish business where dealers pay \$10,000 for the privilege to look at a coin, and offer a \$1,000,000 to buy a nickel thought to be lost forever. Generations of Americans have searched in vain - even on the side of a desolate highway - for the elusive 1913 Liberty nickel. But the truth lay hidden away, buried deep in numismatic lore. In the end, under the watchful gaze of armed guards, six of the nation's most respected coin experts sat in a small room. No one expected what they found, and what they found rewrote numismatic history...

...this one's a real keeper - one of the few numismatic books that make easy cover-to-cover reading... -- *The E-Sylum: Volume 9, Number 19, May 7, 2006* About the Author Both Paul Montgomery and Mark Borckardt are life members of the American Numismatic Association and are long-time contributing editors to *The Official Guide Book of United States Coins*. Paul is a member of the board of directors of the Professional Numismatists Guild, board member and past chairman of the Industry Council for Tangible Assets. He served as president and CEO of Jefferson Coin Bullion and later as president of Bowers and Merena Galleries. At Bowers and Merena he worked with Mark, who was the company's vice-president and senior numismatist. Mark later became Senior Cataloger at Heritage Numismatic Auctions, Inc. in Dallas, Texas. Mark published extensively, winning the Early American Coppers Literary Award and Numismatic Literary Guilds Book of the Year Award for *Encyclopedia of Early United States Cents, 1793-1814*. He has been a major contributor to several books by Q. David Bowers and the award-winning *Rare Coin*. Ray Knight began his career as a radio and TV broadcaster, migrating in the mid-60s to the advertising agency business as a creative writer and broadcast producer. Ray is currently a freelance writer, specializing in corporate communication and business journalism. Though not a coin collector, he became keenly interested in the historical and economic aspects of numismatics as a result of working with Paul Montgomery on projects for Jefferson Coin Bullion and later Bowers and Merena Galleries, leading to his involvement with telling the 1913 Liberty Head nickels story.