

EVERY issue of *Paper Money* starts out with some number of BLANK, EMPTY pages! Folks, each issue offers YOU the opportunity to go "CENTER STAGE," and fill those blank pages with YOUR story!!! I've NEVER been shy about telling other collectors that I meet what I collect, nor have I hesitated to tell them about the notes I'm SEEKING!!!

And it doesn't hurt to place a VERY inexpensive ad in the "Money Mart," reminding the members what you're seeking -- or selling -- or wanting to trade! I've been fortunate to meet and become acquainted with many SPMC members from virtually every state, and many foreign countries. I've always been curious about things, and when I asked some simple, basic questions -- I often received the equivalent of a 30-page Term Paper for an answer! MANY of our members are "walking encyclopedias" -- if you scratch a bit, these folks will educate you -- FOR FREE!!!!

I've had the absolute pleasure to serve the Society of Paper Money Collectors continually since 1986. I've truly enjoyed working with the other officers and Governors. Our current Editor burns with the desire to provide each member of the Society of Paper Money Collectors with new, fresh information in EVERY issue of *Paper Money*. Fred Reed is a PROFESSIONAL writer -- and as the Editor of Paper Money, it's his JOB to treat YOUR article with the utmost respect. I strongly urge you put him to work by sending in an article. See how he handles it, and then get prepared to send in some MORE articles!! Pretty soon you'll ask yourself,

"What took me so LONG?"

P.S. One other thing: I wanted to get back to the "Money Mart." You new members should really consider placing a "classified" advertisement. You can't BEAT the price, and think of all those eyes reading YOUR ad!! I've advertised for notes I want to buy in there for some years, and I can tell you from personal experience THEY WORK! I've managed to obtain NO LESS than 4 UNIQUE Nationals via MM ads, and a SLEW of published bank histories, which I also collect. And here's a "Heads-UP" to all you LONG-TIME SPMC members: You may think that everyone in our hobby MUST know that you're still the A-1 buyer for some particular type of note, national from a specific bank or town, errors, obsoletes, whatever. Got news for ya -- the membership has really "churned" in the past few years! There's a whole new generation of collectors prowling the floors at shows, and gluing their peepers to all the ads in paper publications. Many of them have NEVER heard of you, or are aware that you'll pay the BIG Bucks for the note that will fill the last hole in your "Want List." Give some thought to my suggestion about the "Money Mart" idea. It won't cost you much money, and who knows -- that "ONE NOTE" you've been dreaming about might just show up under your nose if you tell the right people you're interested. Not too many members have used MM in recent years, but I guess they're finding notes & stuff somewhere else. That's fine, but I'll bet they're paying more for their ads than I do in MONEY MART! ❖



## About TEXAS

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By FRANK CLARK

#### Ann Burton - Cashier

I WAS LOOKING AT A SERIES 1929 TYPE I \$5 ON the Scarsdale National Bank and Trust Company of Scarsdale, NY when I noticed the cashier's signature. The signature looked like "Ann Burton." I have been keeping track of women's signatures on National Bank Notes for almost 15 years. Was this a chance to add a new name to that list, or was I reading more into the signature than what is really there? I was able to learn the following with help.

Ann Burton started her banking career in 1916 as a bookkeeper for the Bank of Crescent City, FL. In 1920, she went to work for the Scarsdale National Bank (# 11708). This bank opened its doors for the first time in that same year. She then proceeded to advance through the positions of assistant cashier, cashier, assistant vice president and then vice president in 1938. This information was published in the article, "Executive Jobs for Banks in United States Held by About 6,000 Women" written by Alice H. Whitton for the *Christian Science Monitor*.

In the book, *Women in Banking - A History of the National Association of Bank Women*, by Genieve N. Gildersleeve, Ms. Burton is mentioned as the general chairwoman for the 1943 annual meeting held in New York City and in 1948 she worked on a publicity committee. I was glad that I was able to add another name to my list of women signers of National Bank Notes. ❖