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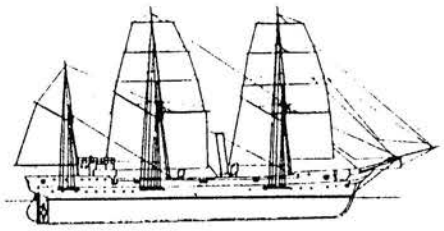
THE 'MOEWE'

They that go down to the sea in ships,
That do business in Great Waters
Psalms 107:23

German vessels have left a great impact on numismatics. From proud naval vessels to ferries; from submarines to airships, a collection can boast metal and paper remembrances.

Some tokens (paper and metal) are good for a ride on a ferry; others may be exchanged in the cantine of a naval or civilian ship.

Perhaps one of the oldest numismatic connections to passage on a vessel was the ancient Greek connection of adding coins at the funeral of a departed one so that he can pay his ferry passage to Charon over the River Styx.



THE MOEWE, 1899

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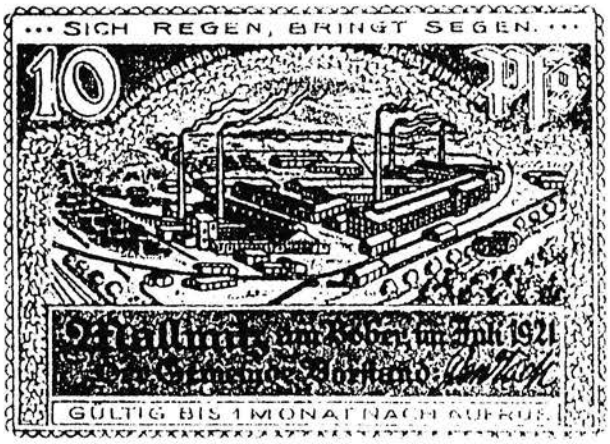
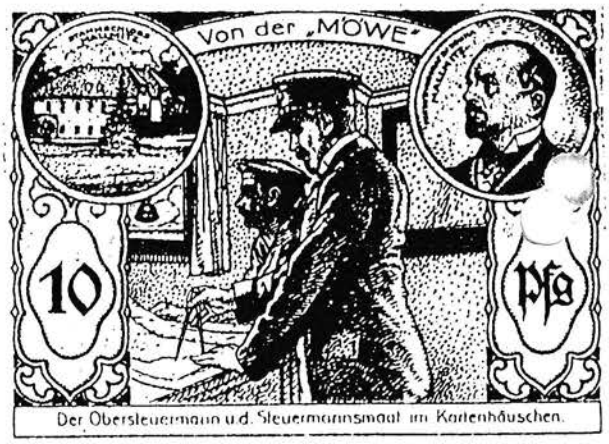
MONTHLY NOTGELD QUOTE. . .

Tegernsee/Bayern L1281
10 Pfennig

Whoever would have thought
that in such a garb
Someday the Mark and Pfennig
would roam the German land!





The chief coxswain and his mate plot courses of Die Moewe in the map room.

An unusual connection for numismatics was the German cruiser "Koenigsberg," sunk by the British cruiser "Pegasus" on Sept. 20, 1914, on the Rufiji delta near Dar es Salaam, German East Africa. Brass and copper fittings of the "Koenigsberg" and two other German vessels, the "Koenig" and "Sybil," were retrieved and became the major source of metal for the 5 and 20 Heller coins made at the makeshift Tabora Mint.

But we must remember we are dedicated to Notgeld, so this month we turn our attention to notes of Mallmitz (L-841) and the "Moewe," the sea gull, of the Habicht class of ships.

The "Moewe" was built between 1878 and 1880 by the F. Schichau firm in Elbing, construction number 143. The cost in German mark was 668,000. Maximium displacement in tons was 1,005.

Brass 19-millimeter tokens valued at 10 Pfennig are marked S.M.S. Möwe.

The vessel measured 59.2 meters by 8.9 meters, drawing 3.52 meters forward. Maximum horsepower achieved by its steam engines was 886. The vessel was powered by a horizontal 3-cylinder double expansion engine, with a retractable 2-bladed screw, 3.23 meters in diameter, in one engine room.

There were two cylindrical boilers, using four fire-boxes, achieving six atmospheres forced. Sail carried by the vessel was of a square-rigged schooner type, covering 361 square meters.

There was a forecastle and a flying deck.

The "Moewe" was armed with two 12.5/23 centimeter hooped guns, 246 rounds, and after 1890, five machine guns.

The vessel had a crew of six officers and 121 men. Boats carried included one picket boat, one pinnace, two cutters, one yawl and a dinghy.

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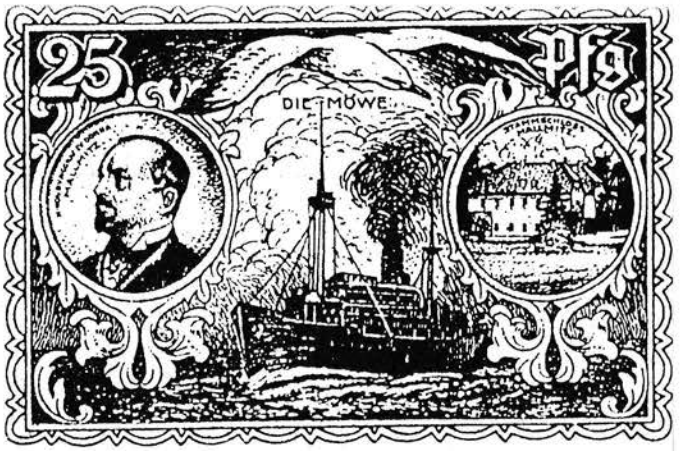

Nikol Burggraf zu Dohna is portrayed in the left circle on the back of the 25-Pfennig note; the Stammschloss appears in the right circle. Die Moewe is shown making smoke from the single stack.

The "Moewe" was launched on Oct. 8, 1879 and commissioned for service abroad on May 31, 1880. It was stricken from the rolls on Dec. 9, 1905, and used as a hulk at Tsingtao. It was sold in 1910 and scuttled in 1914.

When studying German naval vessels, it is important to know which generation is being reviewed. After 1923 there was a class of torpedo boats known as the "Moewe" class, including vessels "Moewe," 1927; "Wolf," 1930 and the "Iltis," "Jaguar," "Leopard," "Luchs," and the "Tiger;" and from 1930, the "Greif," "Seeadler," "Albatros," "Kondor," and the "Falke." Several of these vessels underwent modifications into 1944.

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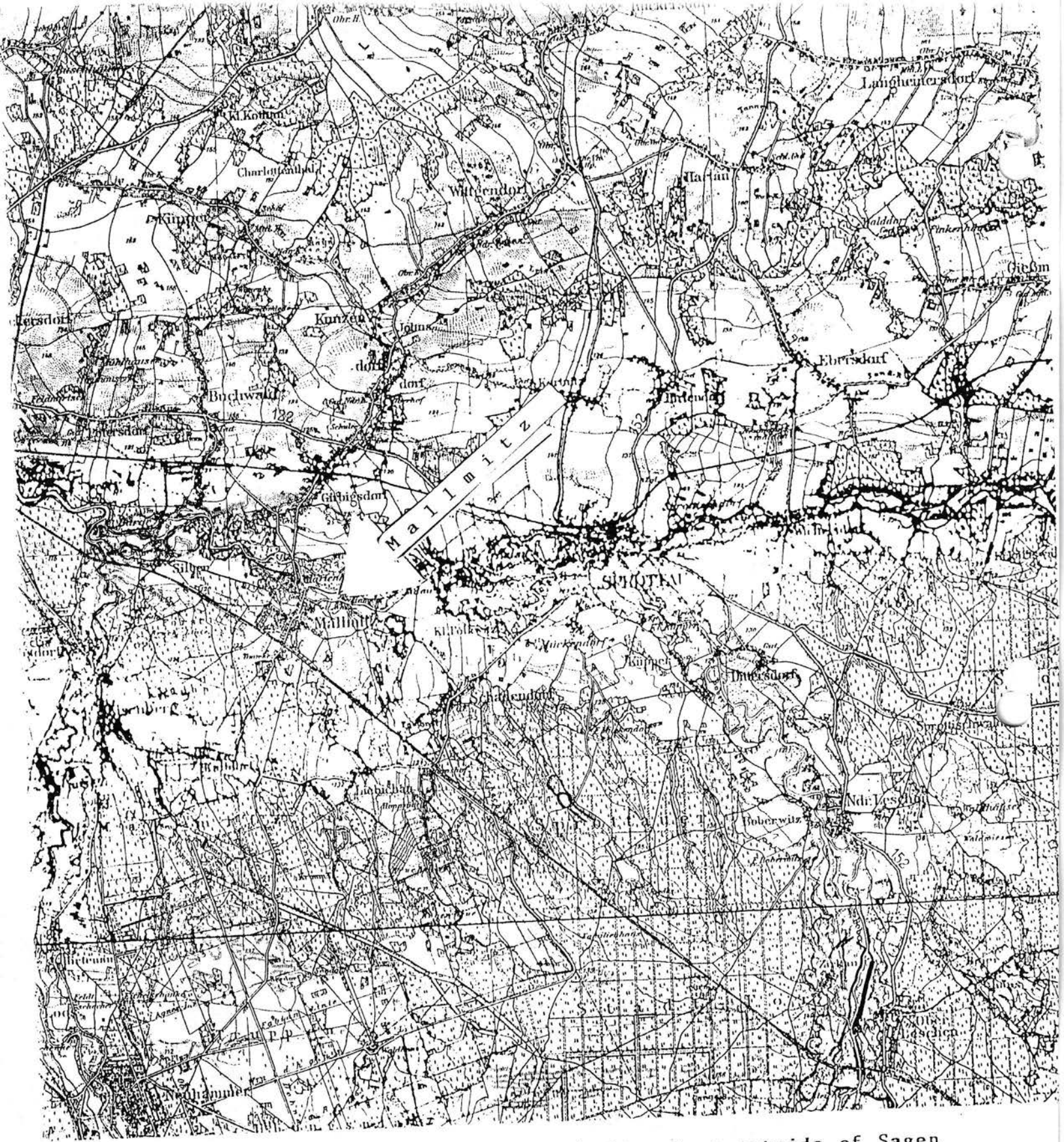
Industrial complexes in Mallmitz are shown on the face of the three notes. The city arms, stag horns, appear on the back of the 50-Pfennig note.



Mallnitz/Bober (now Malonice/Bobr) lies just outside of Sagen (Zagen) on the Sagen - Liegnitz railroad line. Sagan was mentioned in THE FRAKTUR in February 1990. Sagan lies just off the left margin along the railroad northwest from Mallmitz. The map shows German spelling of towns, as of 1940. The scale is 1:100,000. Besides Mallmitz, Sagan and Sprottau issued Notgeld.

Collectors of Notgeld issued in the Polish area may be interested in four new publications, recently released in the Polish language, written by Bogumil Sikorski, Pila, Poland.

We will list titles of the four 1992 publications, first in their Polish titles, then the German translation. Papierowy Pieniadz Zastepczy Wagrowca i Damaslawka: Das Papiernotgeld von Wongrowitz und Elsenau.

Papierowy Pieneadz Zastepczy Rogozna, Ryczywolu, Gorzewa I Wronek. Das Notgeld von Rogasen, Ritschenwalde, Wronke.

Papierowy Pieniadz Zastepczy Golanczy. Lekna, Lobzenicy, Szamocina I Wyrzyska: Das Papiernotgeld von Gollantsch, Lekno, Lobsens, Samotschin und Wirsitz 1914-1920.

Papiesrowy Pieniadz Zastepczy Jastrowia, Okonka, Wysokiej I Zlotowa Oraz Powiatu Zlotowskiego: Das Papiernotgeld von Jastrow, Ratzebuhr, Wissek und Stadt und Kreis Flatow.

A limited number of these books are available from THE FRAKTUR Bookshop. Since 1988 Sikorski has published 13 volumes on emergency money subjects from Polish communities. Our contact notes that the new free press in Poland allows Sikorski to issue books more quickly than before.

The new book, "Mecklenburg and Pommern," by Hartmut Schoenawa is scheduled for release early this year.

Scheduled for release later in 1993 by Kai Lindman is the volume authored by Hermann Krause on the Tausch, small envelopes in which many sets of paper Notgeld were issued by German cities.

Other volumes planned for release early in 1993 include:

* "Das Papiergeld im besetzten Deutschland 1945-1949,"by Michael H. Schoene
* "Das Lagergeld der Konzentrationslager und D.P. Lager 1933-1945," by Albert Pick and Carl Siemsen
* Notgeld Oesterreich mit Nachfolgestaaten und Nebengebieten ab 1918" by Rudolf Richter.

Remember our account of the Separatists in THE FRAKTUR, November 1992? Gerhard Graeber and Matthias Spindler have published "Revolver Republik am Rhein: Die Pfalz und ihre Separatisten, Bd. 1 November 1918 bis November 1923," issued by Pfaelzische Verlagsanstalt Landau, 855 pages.

In 1992 Wilhelm Doell published a 110-page volume, "Notgeldscheine in Westfalen 1914-1947. Ein Beitrag zu einem Katalog westfaelischer Notgeldscheine," published in Rheine.

"Das Notgeld des heutigen Kreises Neustrelitz," Volume 3, written by Joerg Sachse, was released by the city museum of Neustrelitz. The book has 46 pages.

Written by Gerd Linde was "Das Papiernotgeld vom Fuerstentum Lippe Detmold 1916-1923," a 128-page volume.

RESEARCH PROJECTS

Desired subjects on Notgeld are listed here, in case there are readers who wish to research areas and submit their work to THE FRAKTUR. We feel it contributes little to research or knowledge just to quote information already in print.

THE DESIGNERS: Their Notgeld issues, other art work by them, some biography.

THE PRINTERS: Whee located, how much they carged, where they got their paper in wartime, length of time from reception of an order until delivery.

DEALERS: Who promoted Notgeld issues, the little pockets or envelopes used by some, such as those of Robert Ball Nachf., Berlin, to promote the series issues. How accepted were these notes by collectors, etc. Hermann Krause is working on such a listing of the official envelopes issued by cities for their Notgeld.

LAWS: National laws enabling cities in general, and laws of particular cities, to issue their emergency issues.

The terminating law, when all the foolishness was over; and then the resurgence in the form of inflation notes issued by cities.

NOTGELD SHOWS and meetings or promotion of Notgeld by groups, past or present.

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