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Just last month, we thought the world had gone crazy, events happening that even George Orwell couldn't have imagined looking 35 years into the future when he wrote "1984" in 1949. But now just one month later, things actually looked pretty darn calm last month compared to today. In other words, the collapse is happening **FAST**, in real time and *right before our eyes*. Ernest Hemingway said that bankruptcy happens "gradually, and then suddenly." Well, here we are amigos. Just a few yesterdays ago, the world was deteriorating gradually, and today, in just one month, gradually is now *suddenly!* We hate to even project what bodes for this time in July, as things are moving geometrically at this point. The clincher for us was the news on Saturday, June 10th that San Francisco made it illegal for shop owners to pursue shoplifters. Yes, you read that right,. Shop**LIFTERS** have rights, and a hall pass to steal, and shop **OWNERS** have no rights. THIS is INSANE, and no doubt why there is mass exodus in California. An otherwise beautiful state, brutally contaminated with NWO (New World Order) indoctrinated leaders who are hell bent on redistributing working class wealth to everyone, especially those who haven't worked for it. Many of our favorite local coin shops have closed in California over the past year simply **because** CRIME IS LEGAL. Shouldn't this be an easy fix? Consequences? Jail time? Community service? But a fix is the furthest thing from their agenda. [Things That Make You Go Hmmm...](#)

But this isn't why we are here. We are here to help protect **YOU**, our collector community, from the ongoing FLEECING of wealth that is part of the overall plan of the chosen few. Rising interest rates and devaluing currencies, along with business and property defaults are all part of the plan to extract every dollar out of you until you're BURNT TOAST. They don't give a rat's ass about you. They want to [CONTROL](#) you, and they want your MONEY.

So, if you own something they can't track, like physical bullion (in hand), you have an advantage going forward. Putting your wealth in real hard assets in your possession is not only **off the radar**, but out of their control, and most hard assets are worldly recognizable at that. We all know that silver and gold have been the foremost currency for 6000+/- years. That will not change going forward (hopefully we still have some time remaining before humans completely destroy this planet). We're off the subject and on a bit of a spirited rant, but we all know that fiat currency will fail, always has, and precious metals never fail, never have, and **never will**. That's all we really need to know. BA DA **BING!**

Market and money trends we follow call for a moderate collapse in the US Dollar over the next 18 months (pretty much up to the 2024 election). While a collapse in the dollar will help our export trade with other countries, it will ultimately hurt our own business and industry climate as it will drive import prices upward and take more dollars to buy *anything* (inflation). Should we worry if we're losing respect and leverage with our typical trading partners across the Globe? Does it matter that our US Dollar, aka world currency, is quickly losing value and status? Back to Gold and Silver, no matter your nationality, religion or currency, these metals have been the backbone of sound money since the beginning of civilization. And we're coming back to it, slowly, and soon quickly.

Who knows how many apples our fiat currency will buy in 6 or 12 months. But if we trade in US 90% silver coinage or silver or gold bullion, we will be able to trade fair value for fair value, just as it has always been. And it will be universal, and there will be no need for fiat currency UNLESS it once again becomes backed by physical metals. And don't think for a minute that the proposed CBDC (Central Bank Digital Currency) is NOT fiat currency. It is exactly that, money generated out of thin air, backed by nothing, same old story. Ok, we're rambling on and need to segue back to collectible bullion. The thought of Silver and Gold returning as money got us excited about investing in bullion in the first place. And discovering vintage bullion got us even more excited, especially the collectible and numismatic value of old ingots. We're now hooked to the point where almost nothing else gets us excited. Well maybe a Coney Island Hot Dog, or a Good Humor bar, Liz Hurley, and maybe this lamp, but that's all. We can finally sleep at night knowing we have a stash of bullion as a safety net. It makes us think of all those folks with their Jim Cramer induced 401k's and thinking they've got a solid nest egg for retirement. Nope. They've got a number on a screen that can and will be manipulated, and might go to ZERO because they never had control and the management of the company was corrupt, or went **woke**. Precious metals, owned unencumbered and in hand, have no third party risk. They are yours to own, touch, appreciate, and profit from. That 1964 Washington 90% silver quarter will still buy you a gallon of premium gas today, just like it did in 1964. Funny how that works.

A FEW NOTABLE VINTAGE BULLION SALES TO SHARE OVER THE PAST MONTH:

Engelhard 3oz 3rd Series s/n 05485 sold on eBay auction on May 12, 2023 for **\$1,514.99**.

Engelhard Canadian 3oz s/n 137058 sold on MinEx on June 4, 2023 for **\$3,630.00** including buyer fee.

Engelhard Silver Diamond Corporation 5oz s/n 214 sold on MinEx on May 28, 2023 for **\$2,365.00** including buyer fee.

UNITED Engelhard 5oz s/n 07867 sold on eBay Auction on June 10, 2023 for **\$3,722.99**.

Engelhard London 1 Kilo s/n K7541 with Westminster counter stamp sold privately on June 10, 2023 for **\$7,500.00**.

Engelhard London 1 Kilo s/n P1001 Landscape with Mocatta-Goldsmid counterstamp sold privately on June 10, 2023 for **\$7,500.00**.

Engelhard 10oz 5th series s/n 19810 with a "+" in the 2nd 1 of the serial sold on eBay auction on June 11, 2023 for **\$2,228.11**. This ingot previously sold in 2017 for \$1,500.00.

Engelhard London British Hallmark 1969 Set of 4 100g ingots sold on eBay auction on June 22, 2023 for \$2,550.00.

Engelhard 100 gram s/n 59344 sold on MinEx auction on 6/18/23 for **\$3,080.00** including buyer fee.

And in contrast to the above sales, on June 22, 2023 a Pair of 100oz Simmons Refining Company vintage silver ingots, s/n 2295 and s/n 2324 sold for \$2,694.00 each on the Bullion Exchanges LLC website. These have a mintage of <100! WOW, bargains and underdogs are still out there in plain sight!

In spite of a ~~severely underperforming~~ manipulated spot market, retail and industrial demand for silver continue to outpace production, and real metal shortages continue to mount. At the same time, paper trading which enables blatant price manipulation continues to delay the eminent price explosion that is long overdue. And the longer they hold prices down, **the stronger the explosion** upwards. We're not complaining YET, as long as there is still quality bullion to buy at these insanely cheap prices, but the day of reckoning is coming, and when it does, we reckon all bets are off.

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Here's an article from 6 years ago that you might also enjoy! [MOONSHOT](#)

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