

An Introduction to the Commemorative 3 Reichsmark Coins of the Weimar Republic

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The Commemoratives

- From the foundation of the Weimar Constitution in 1919 until Hitler's decree of a Third Reich in 1933, a series of commemoratives were issued consisting mostly of 3 Mark and some 5 Mark silver coins.
- They are intricately designed and historically significant.
- Coins include cities, universities, people, government, and the political situation.

The Series Runs from 1925 thru 1932

- Material: Silver (.500)
- Diameter: 30 mm
- Weight: 15 g
- 18 Different Types with a total of 54 coins in the series including mint marks
- 6 Mints :
 - A -- BERLIN
 - D -- MUNICH
 - E -- DRESDEN
 - F -- STUTTGART
 - G -- KARLSRUHE
 - J -- HAMBURG

The Weimar Republic

- Germany became a *de facto* republic on 9 November 1918 when Kaiser Wilhelm II abdicated the German and Prussian thrones.
- Germany became a *de jure* republic in February 1919 when the position of President of Germany was created.
- A national assembly was convened in Weimar, where a new constitution for Germany was written and adopted on 11 August 1919.

What's in a Name?

The Weimar Republic is an unofficial historical designation for the German state from 1918 to 1933.

The name derives from the city of Weimar, where its constitutional assembly first took place.

The official name of the republic remained Deutsches Reich unchanged from 1871. (Germany had a tradition of substates.)

Although commonly translated as "German Empire", the word Reich here better translates as "realm", in that the term does not have monarchical connotations in itself.

In English, the country was usually known simply as Germany.

1000th Anniversary Rhineland



1925 A D E F G J

1000th Anniversary Rhineland

- *Lettering:* JAHRTAUSEND FEIER DER RHEINLANDE * DEUTSCHES REICH
- *Translation:* MILLENIUM CELEBRATION OF THE RHINELAND - GERMANY
- Edge *Lettering:* EINIGKEIT UND RECHT UND FREIHEIT
- Edge *Translation:* Unity And Justice And Freedom

Occupation of the Rhineland lasted from 1 December 1918 until 30 June 1930



700th Anniversary Lubeck



1926 A



700th Anniversary Lübeck

- *Lettering:* 700 JAHRE REICHSFREIHEIT LÜBECK 1926
- *Translation:* 700 Years of Freedom for Lubec 1926

one of the major ports of Germany



100th Anniversary Bremerhaven



1927 A

100th Anniversary Bremerhaven

- *Lettering:* HUNDERT•JAHRE•BREMERHAVEN
- *Translation:* 100 Years Bremerhaven
- Edge *Lettering:* NAVIGARE NECESSE EST
- Edge *Translation:* It Is Necessary To Navigate

one of the major ports of Germany



1000th Anniversary Nordhausen



1927 A

1000th Anniversary Nordhausen

- *Lettering:* JAHTAUSENDFEIER·DER·REICHSSSTADT·NORDHAUSEN· 927 - 1927
- *Translation:* Millennium of the Royal Charter of Nordhausen
- Edge *Lettering:* EINIGKEIT UND RECHT UND FREIHEIT
- Edge *Translation:* Unity And Justice And Freedom

one of the most important cities in central Germany during the later Middle Ages



450th Anniversary Tuebingen University



1927 F

450th Anniversary Tuebingen University

- *Lettering:* 450 JAHRE UNIVERSITÄT TÜBINGEN, EBERHARD IM BART
- *Translation:* 450 YEARS TUEBINGEN UNIVERSITY
- Edge *Lettering:* EINIGKEIT UND RECHT UND FREIHEIT
- Edge *Translation:* Unity And Justice And Freedom

Tübingen is regularly ranked as one of the best universities in Germany



400th Anniversary Philipps University



1927 A



400th Anniversary Philipps University

- *Lettering:*
MARBURG 1527-1927
PHILIPPS UNIVERSITÄT
- *Translation:*
MARBURG 1527-1927
PHILIPPS UNIVERSITY
- Edge *Lettering:* EINIGKEIT UND RECHT UND FREIHEIT
- Edge *Translation:* Unity And Justice And Freedom



400th Anniversary Durer



1928 D

400th Anniversary Durer

- *Lettering:*
ALBERT DÜRER GEDENKJAHR 1928

- Edge *Lettering:* EHRT EURE DEUTSCHEN MEISTER
- Edge *Translation:* Honor Your German Masters

Durer was a leading Painter and
Print Maker of German Renaissance



900th Anniversary Naumburg



1928 A



900th Anniversary Naumburg

- *Lettering:* GRÜNDUNGSFEIER NAUMBURG·SAALE 1028 1928
- *Translation:* Foundation Celebration of Naumburg/Saale
- Edge *Lettering:* EINIGKEIT UND
RECHT UND FREIHEIT
- Edge *Translation:* Unity And Justice
And Freedom



1000th Anniversary Dinkelsbuhl



1928 D

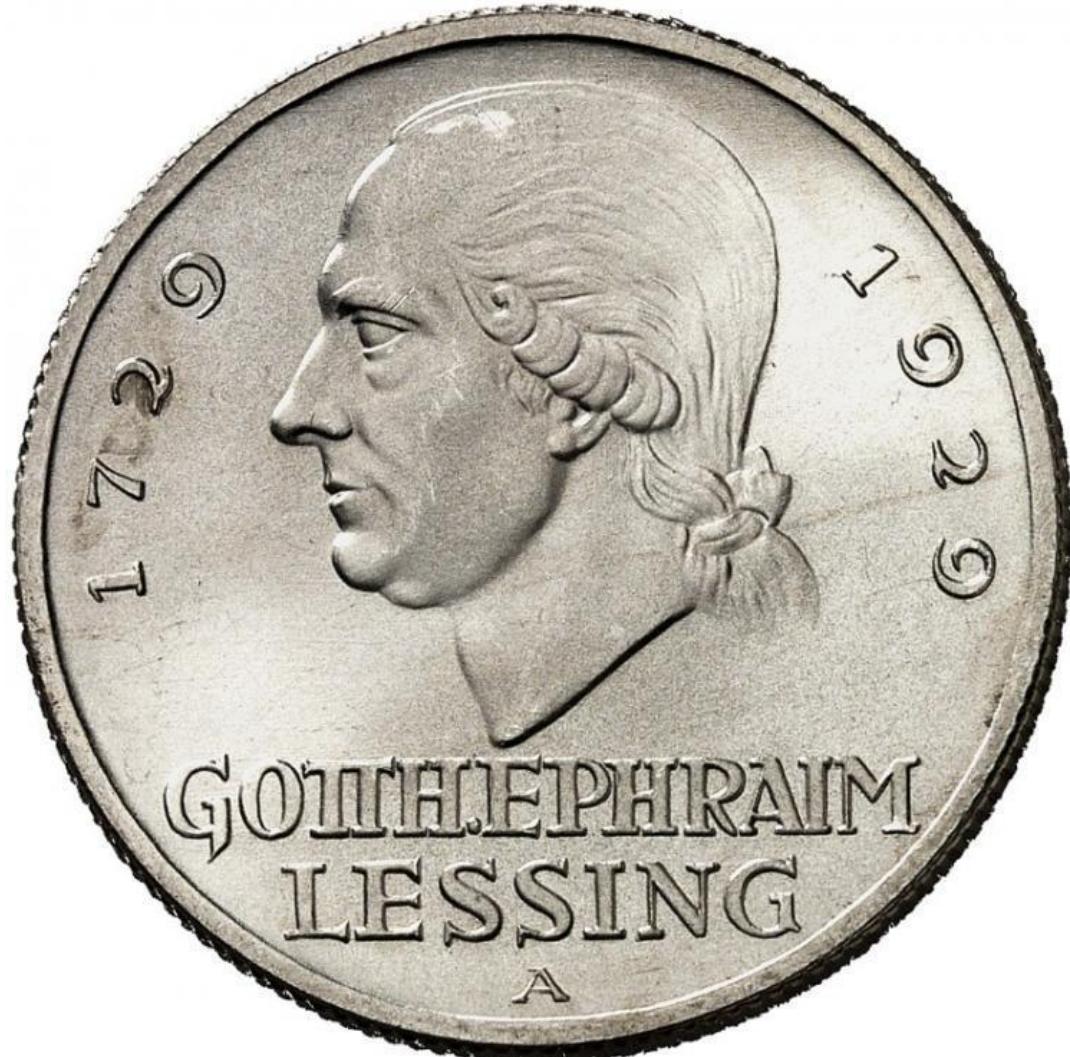


1000th Anniversary Dinkelsbuhl

- *Lettering:* TAUSEND·JAHRE·DINKELSBÜHL 1928
- *Translation:* Millennium of Dinkelsbuhl
- Edge *Lettering:* EINIGKEIT UND
RECHT UND FREIHEIT
- Edge *Translation:* Unity And Justice
And Freedom



200th Anniversary Lessing



1927 A D E F G J

200th Anniversary Lessing

- *Lettering:* 1729 1929 GOTTH.EPHRAIM LESSING

Lessing was prominent philosophers of the Enlightenment era, recognized as the world's first dramaturg, Germany's first dramatist and comedy playwright, champion for religious tolerance



1000th Anniversary Meissen



1928 A

1000th Anniversary Meissen

- *Lettering:* TAUSEND JAHRE BURG
UND STADT MEISSEN
- *Translation:* Thousand years of castle
and city of Meissen
- Edge *Lettering:* EINIGKEIT UND
RECHT UND FREIHEIT
- Edge *Translation:* Unity And Justice
And Freedom



Waldeck-Prussia Union



1929 A



Waldeck-Prussia Union

- *Lettering:* VEREINIGUNG WALDECKS MIT PREUSSEN 1. APRIL 1929
- *Translation:* Association of Waldeck with Prussia
- Edge *Lettering:* EINIGKEIT UND
RECHT UND FREIHEIT
- Edge *Translation:* Unity And Justice
And Freedom



10th Anniversary Weimar Constitution



1929 A D E F G J

10th Anniversary Weimar Constitution

- *Lettering:* TREU DER VERFASSUNG 1919 - 1920 11. AUGUST
 - Translation: Loyal to the Constitution
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- *Edge Lettering:* EINIGKEIT UND RECHT UND FREIHEIT
 - *Translation:* Unity and justice and freedom

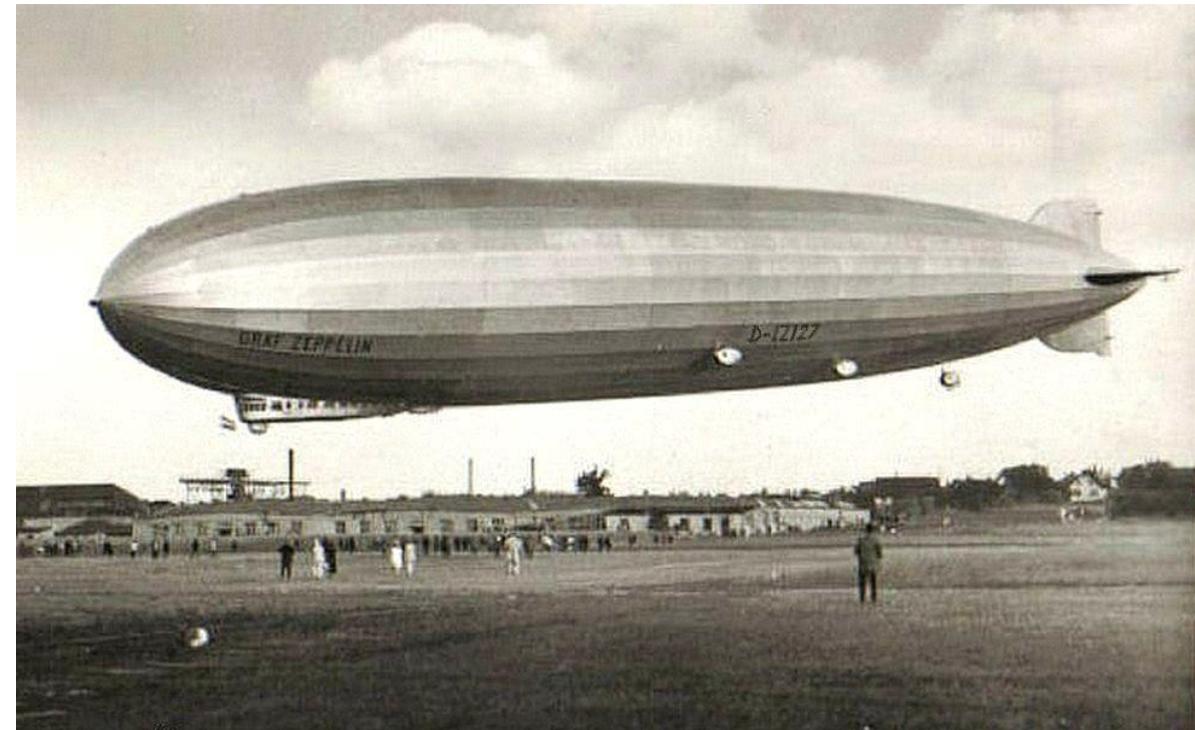
Graf Zeppelin



1930 A D E F G J

Graf Zeppelin

- *Lettering:* GRAF ZEPPELIN WELTFLUG 1929
- *Translation:* GRAF ZEPPELIN WORLD FLIGHT 1929
- Edge *Lettering:* EINIGKEIT UND
RECHT UND FREIHEIT
- Edge *Translation:* Unity And Justice
And Freedom



700th Anniversary Vogelweide



1930 A D E F G J

700th Anniversary Vogelweide

- *Lettering*: Walther . von . der . Vogelweide .
- Edge *Lettering*: EINIGKEIT UND RECHT UND FREIHEIT
- Edge *Translation*: Unity And Justice And Freedom

Vogelweide is the greatest German lyrical poet before Goethe



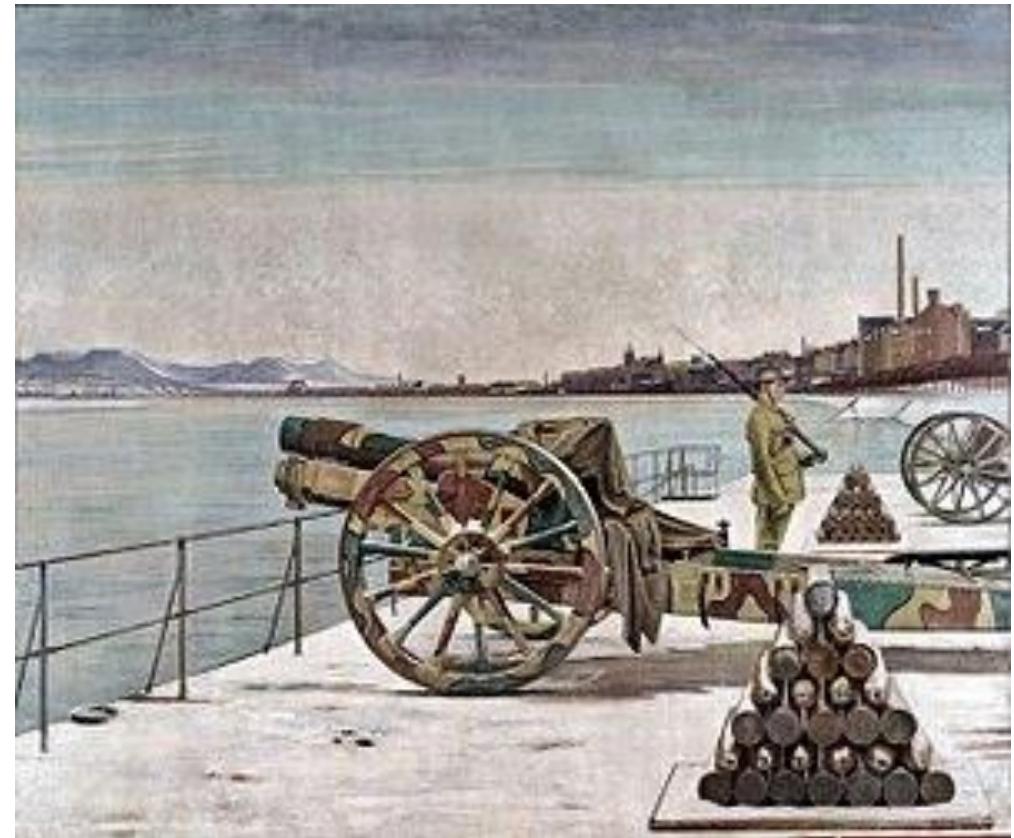
Liberation of the Rhineland



1930 A D E F G J

Liberation of the Rhineland

- *Lettering:* DER RHEIN DEUTSCHLANDS STROM ·
NICHT DEUTSCHLANDS GRENZE
- *Translation:* The Rhine is Germany's River –
Not Germany's Border
- Edge *Lettering:* EINIGKEIT UND
RECHT UND FREIHEIT
- Edge *Translation:* Unity And Justice
And Freedom



The Watch on the Rhine, (The Last Phase) by Sir William Rothenstein

Date	1 December 1918 – 30 June 1930
Duration	11 years, 6 months, 4 weeks and 1 day

300th Anniversary Magdeburg



1931 A

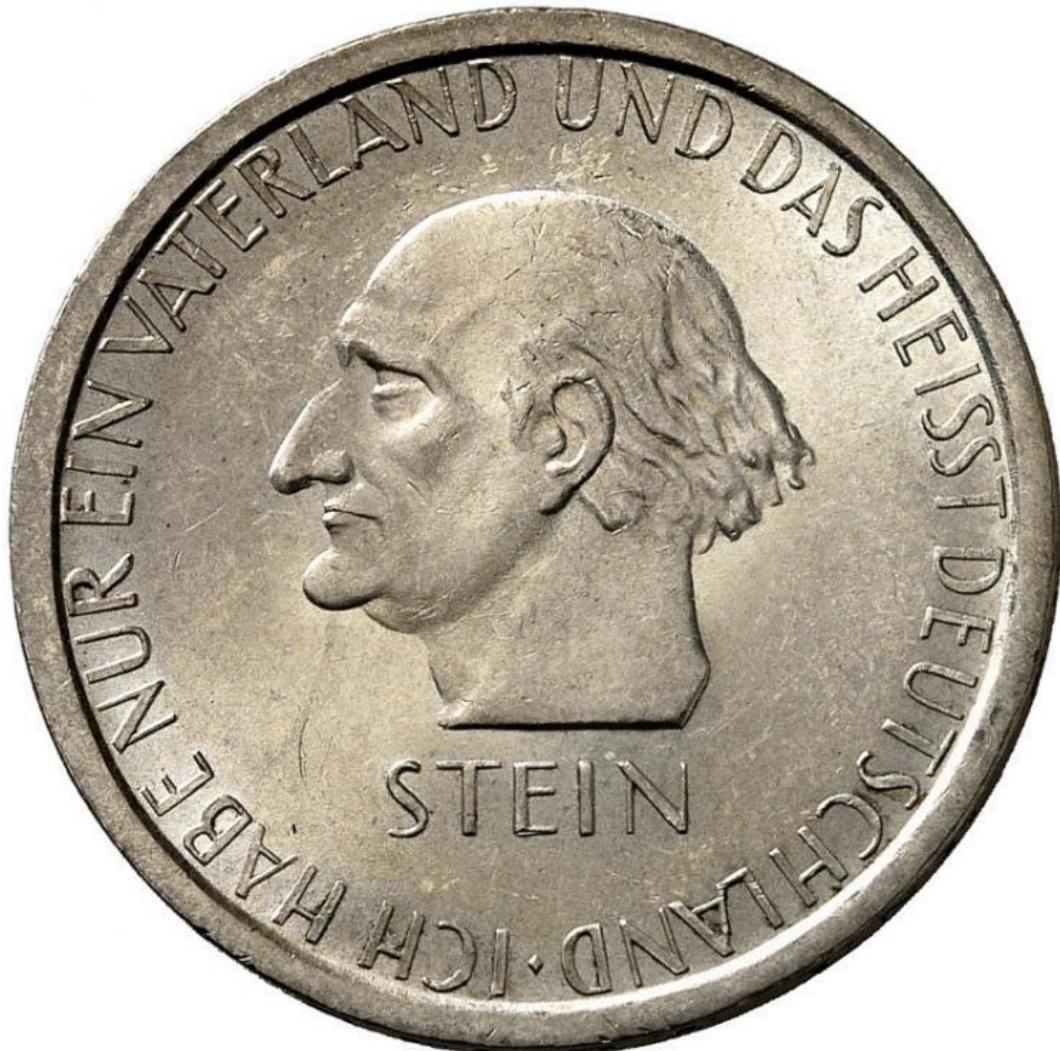
300th Anniversary Magdeburg

- *Lettering:* WIEDERGEBURT NACH ZWIETRACHT UND NOT *
MAGDEBURG
 - *Translation:* Rebirth After Discord And Distress *
 - Magdeburg
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- Edge *Lettering:* EINIGKEIT UND
RECHT UND FREIHEIT
 - Edge *Translation:* Unity And Justice
And Freedom



Sack of Magdeburg, 1632 engraving by D. Manasse

Centenary Death of Baron Vom Stein



1931 A

Centenary Death of Baron Vom Stein

- *Lettering:* ICH HABE NUR EIN VATERLAND UND DAS HEISST DEUTSCHLAND·STEIN
- *Translation:* I Have Only One Fatherland And That Is Germany · Stein
- *Edge Lettering:* EINIGKEIT UND RECHT UND FREIHEIT
- *Translation:* Unity and justice and freedom

Stein was a Prussian statesman who introduced reforms that paved the way for the unification of Germany.



Goethe

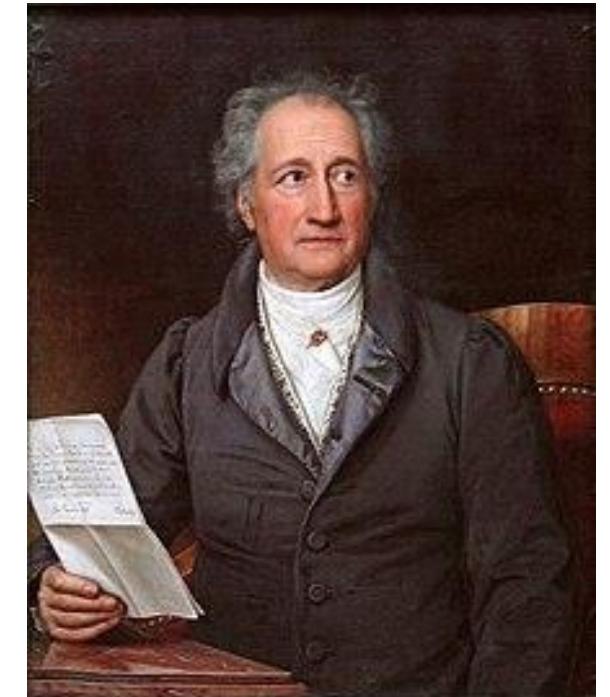


1932 A D E F G J

Centenary - Death of Goethe

- *Lettering:* GOETHE
- Edge *Lettering:* ALLEN GEWALTEN ZUM TROTZ SICH ERHALTEN
- *Translation:* In Spite Of All Forces, Hold On

German writer and statesman. His works include: four novels; epic and lyric poetry; prose and verse dramas; memoirs; an autobiography; literary and aesthetic criticism; and treatises on botany, anatomy, and color. In addition, numerous literary and scientific works.



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Rhineland*	\$120	\$150
Lubeck	300	350
Bremerhaven	500	580
Nordhausen	550	650
Marburg	400	450
Tubingen	1200	1300
Naumburg	400	480
Dürer	1050	1200
Dinkelsbühl	1300	1500
Lessing*	280	350
Waldeck-Prussia Union	300	350
Constitution*	100	120
Meissen	260	290
Zeppelin*	230	280
Vogelweide*	220	250
Rhineland Liberation*	200	250
Magdeburg	650	750
Stein	350	450
Goethe*	250	300
	\$8,660	\$10,050

* Minted at all six mints

