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## Coin Marking Gilford Event Will Be Collector's Item

A coin has been prepared for and many collectors in those areas issuance in conjunction with the have phoned and written request- 150th anniversary of the incorpora- ing information on obtaining these tion of the town of Gilford. The coins.

The coin is bronze and is slightly larger than a silver dollar. One side of the coin bears a symbol of the figure of achievement, holding aloft the wreath of progress. The reverse side shows a scene of the Belknap Mountain range, Lake Winnepesaukee and the Gilford shore line in the foreground.

### For Souvenir

The coin is the first in the town's history and is being offered for sale as a souvenir piece. A limited coinage promises to make the coin a real collector's item. Only 500 are being struck.

Three of these coins, with appropriate inscriptions, have been awarded to Gov. Wesley Powell, Mayor J. Oliva Huot of Laconia, and William Bendix, screen and tv star who recently appeared at the Lakes Region Playhouse.

The presentation of the coin by Esther Peters to Mr. Bendix was featured in the New York papers

Mrs. Peters is president of the Thompson Ames Historical Society which is sponsoring the 150th anniversary celebration.

Coins may be obtained from Hector Bolduc of Gilford or by contacting Mrs. Ruth Weeks and Mrs. Helen Park of Governors Island. Harold B. Smith of Gilford and Judge Theo Jewett, all members of the publishing committee.