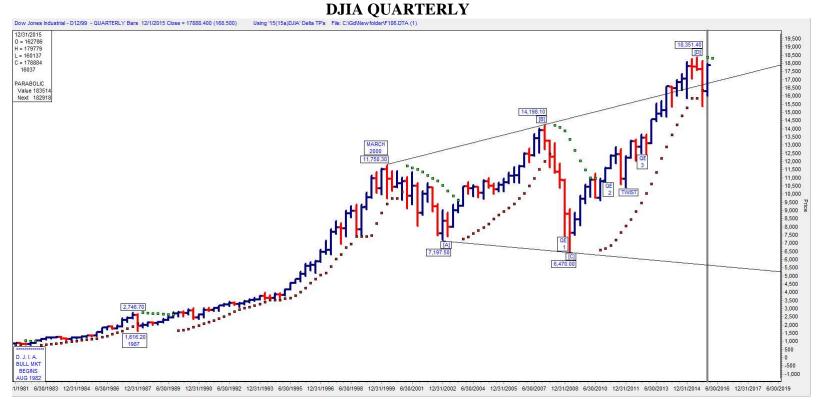
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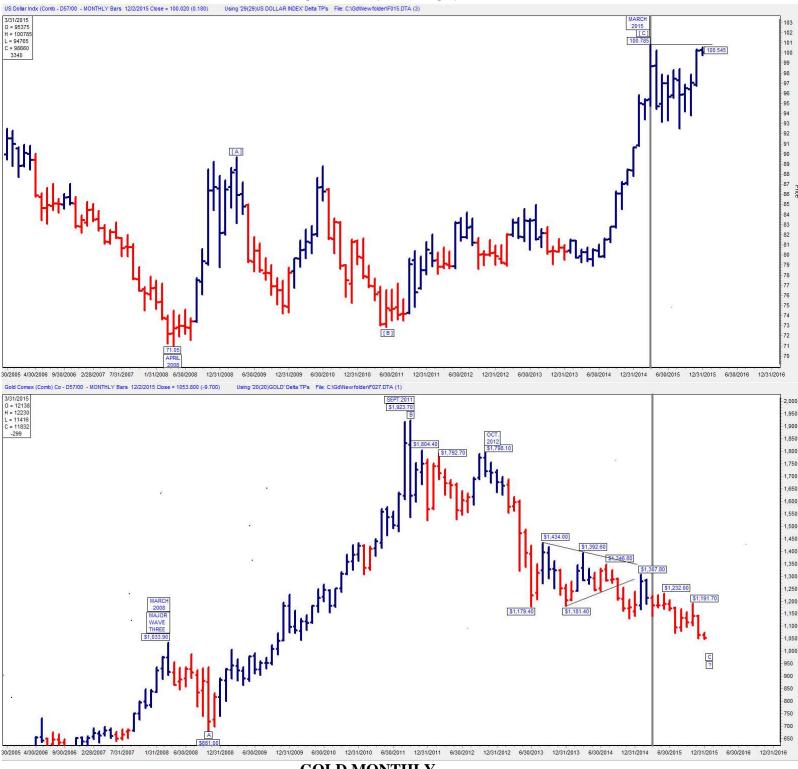
UPDATE

Ever since the bull market in the D. J. I. A. began, in August 1982, the green dots have accurately and consistently warned of a severe decline "dead ahead." Once again the green dots are posting a warning!



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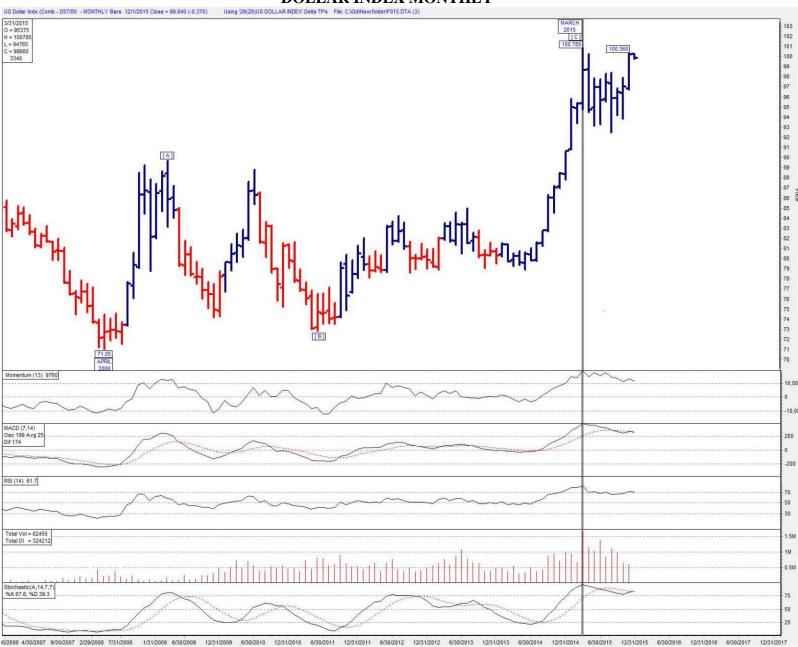
The Dollar Index has failed to make a new high since March 2015. In spite of this fact gold has been declining since March 2015.



DOLLAR INDEX MONTHLY

GOLD MONTHLY

The indicators beneath this chart are confirming that a top in the Dollar Index occurred in March 2015.



DOLLAR INDEX MONTHLY

The question is, "Why has the price of gold been declining so violently for the last three months?" The answer is, Uncle Sam is going to get his piece of the action every year up or down in the price of any commodity or option!



"Under ERTA and subsequent provisions, gains or losses on futures positions (and options) *open at year end* are taxed as if they had been liquidated on the last day of the year."

"Right on schedule, for tax purposes, the Commercials are closing out their short positions and taking profits. As the tax memo above states they will be taxed on the profits whether or not they close out their positions. So, they close out their short positions and pay taxes on the profits in hand. As the gold price declines they are going long and buying. Their buys will have tax losses by year end that they can use to offset some of their short profits. Next year their longs will be considered bought at the 2015 year end closing price. *They may be net long by the end of this year with all contracts at a loss for tax purposes.*" Ron R. November 29, 2015 The Tax Treatment of Commodity Futures and Futures Options

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To avoid taxing the same gain twice, the settlement price at year-end becomes the starting point for determining the gain or loss in a subsequent year.

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