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# NIGHT LETTER

## THE WESTERN UNION TELEGRAPH COMPANY

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THEO. N. VAIL, PRESIDENT

BELVIDERE BROOKS, GENERAL MANAGER

RECEIVED AT

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SECY TREASURY

WASHN DC

IT IS THE DESIRE OF THE BANKS IN THIS TOWN  
THAT YOU LOCATE A RESERVE BANK AT MINNEAPOLIS MINN IT  
BEING MORE CONVENIENT FOR THE TRANSACTION OF OUR BUSINESS ALONG  
THE LINES OF GRAIN FUEL LUMBER FARM IMPLEMENTS AND MERCHANDISE  
ALL OF WHICH WE ARE VERY MUCH INTERESTED IN  
BANK OF INKSTER FARMERS AND MERCHANTS STATE BANK

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Form *AS*

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JAMESTOWN MD DEC 31 1913

W G MCADOO

ANSWERED  
DEC 31 1913

SECY OF TREASURY WASHINGTON DC

MINNEAPOLIS BEING THE FINANCIAL AND BANKING CENTER OF THE NORTH WEST  
TO WHICH THIS AGRICULTURAL COUNTRY AS IN THE PAST WILL LARGELY  
DEPEND ON FOR FINANCIAL SUPPORT WE THEREFORE EARNESTLY REQUEST  
THAT A FEDERAL RESERVE BANK BE ESTABLISHED AND LOCATED IN  
THAT CITY

J J NIERLING

PRESIDENT CITIZENS NATIONAL BANK

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THEO. N. WALKER, PRESIDENT

BELVIDERE BROOKS, GENERAL MANAGER

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JAMESTOWN ND DEC 31 1913

HON W G MCADOO

SECY OF THE TREASURY WASHN DC

WE VERY STRONGLY URGE YOUR ESTABLISHING A RESERVE DISTRICT INCLUDING THE TERRITORY FROM MISSISSIPPI RIVER TO PUGET SOUND WITH MINNEAPOLIS NAMED AS REGIONAL RESERVE CITY

THE JAMES RIVER NATIONAL BANK

1134PM

ANSWERED  
JAN 3 1914  
FORM

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THEO. N. VAIL, PRESIDENT

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BELVIDERE BROOKS, GENERAL MANAGER

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HON W G MCADOO

SECY TREASY WASHINGTON DC

WE ARE OF THE OPINION THAT MINNEAPOLIS MINN SHOULD HAVE ONE OF THE REGINONAL RESERVE BANKS AS IT IS THE CENTER OF OUR BANKING FARM PRODUCE AND IMPLEMENT BUSINESS OF THE NORTHWEST WE REQUEST THAT YOU DESIGNATE THAT CITY AS A LOCATION FOR ONE OF THESE BANKS

STATE BANK OF JESSIE

JAN 7 1103AM

Form 2289 B



# FARMERS GRAIN AND FUEL CO.

JOSEPHINE, NORTH DAKOTA

Jan. 6, 1914.

Secy. Wm. G. McAtee,

Washington, D.C.,

We think Minneapolis is entitled to one of the Regional Reserve Banks as the principal part of our business of Banking, Farm Products and Farm Implements centers there. We request that you designate that City as a location for one of these banks.

Farmers Grain and Fuel Co.

RECEIVED  
FEDERAL RESERVE BANK  
ST. LOUIS  
JAN 10 1914

For 25

ANSWERED  
JAN 10 1914  
E.M.

# WESTERN UNION



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# TELEGRAM

THEO. N. VAIL, PRESIDENT

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SECY OF TREASURY

ANSWERED

*AS*

DEC 31 1913

WASHINGTON DC JAN 6 1914

WE FAVOR MINNEAPOLIS AS LOCATION ONE OF REGIONAL BANKS OWING TO CLOSENESS IN TOUCH WITH THIS SECTION AS TO MARKETING FARM PRODUCTS AND FURNISHING THIS SECTION WITH FARM IMPLEMENTS AND MERCANTILE GOODS

FIRST STATE BANK OF JUANITA BY A. E. RAEBEL CASHR

*2530*

Treasury Department

TELEGRAM

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JUD N D Jan 4 1914

Secretary Wm McAdoo,

Washington, D.C.

Form *AB*

Because the natural flow of money used for handling the vast amount of grain is from and to Minneapolis, Minn, we therefore request that a regional bank be established there

ANSWERED  
JAN 5 1914  
FORM *L* *L*

Farmers Elevator Co

146pm

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W. H. VAIL, PRESIDENT

BELVIDERE BROOKS, GENERAL MANAGER

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THE HON SECY OF TREASURY

WASHINGTON DC

WE RESPECTIVELY REQUEST THAT IN THE DESIGNATION OF REGIONAL RESERVE CITIES MINNEAPOLIS WILL BE CONSIDERED AS THE MOST AVAILABLE LOCATION FOR THE REGIONAL RESERVE BANK FOR THE NORTHWEST THE GREAT MAJORITY OF THE DAKOTA BANKS CARRY ACCOUNTS IN MINNEAPOLIS AT THIS TIME THE BULK OF OUR GRAIN IS SHIPPED TO THIS POINT MINNEAPOLIS IS THE DISTRIBUTING CENTER FOR THE ENTIRE NORTHWEST FROM THERE WE RECEIVE OUR AGRICULTURAL IMPLEMENTS LUMBER AND GENERAL MERCHANDISE MINNEAPOLIS IS PREEMINENTATELY THE COMMERCIAL CENTER OF THIS REGION AND WE BELIEVE THE UNDOUBTED CHOICE OF THE UPPER MISSISSIPI VALLEY

RECEIVED  
JAN 1 1914  
L. J. R.  
L. 5

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**BELVIDERE BROOKS, GENERAL MANAGER**

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VERY TRULY YOURS

WM J MEDLAND      CASHIER FIRST STATE BANK

148PM

Form *LS*

F. C. RECTOR ELEVATORS  
GRAIN DEALER

JUD. N. D. Jan. 10th., 19 14.

Secretary Wm. G. McAdoo,  
Washington, D. C.,

ANSWERED  
JAN 13 1914  
FORM 100M

My Dear Sir.,

I wish to urge your careful consideration of Minneapolis, Minnesota as a very desirable and very important location for one of the National Reserve Banks. The great Northwest is dependent upon Minneapolis as a market for its immense product and also tributary to that city as a point of distribution of supplies. The failure to locate one of these banks in the Northwest nearer the center than Chicago or St. Louis will mean a disastrous set-back to this now prosperous country. Trusting that you will give Minneapolis your careful and also favorable consideration, I am, sir

Very Respectfully Yours,

*F. C. Rector*

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THEO. M. VAIL, PRESIDENT

BELVIDERE BROOKS, GENERAL MANAGER

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JUDSON ND DEC 31 1913

HON W G MCADOO

SECY OF TREASURY WASHN DC

I WISH TO URGE UPON YOU THE NECESSITY OF CREATING  
A REGIONAL RESERVE DISTRICT INCLUDING THE TERRITORY FROM THE MISSISSIPPT  
RIVER TO PUGET SOUND WITH MINNEAPOLIS NAMED AS THE RESERVE  
CITY

FIRST STATE BANK

BY F SPATH PRESIDENT

1220AM

ANSWERED  
JAN 3 1914  
FORM

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BELVIDERE BROOKS, GENERAL MANAGER

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HQN WM MC-ADOO

WASHINGTON DC

IN CONNECTION WITH THE LOCATION OF THE REGIONAL RESERVE BANKS WE WOULD RESPECTFULLY ASK THAT YOU CONSIDER MINNEAPOLIS MINN THE LOCATION OF A REGIONAL BANK IN MINNEAPOLIS WOULD BE MOST CONVENIENT FOR THE TRANSACTION OF OUR BUSINESS IT BEING THE CENTRAL OF THE GRAIN LUMBER PRODUCE AGRICULTURAL IMPLEMENT AND OTHER BUSINESS

SHEYENNE VALLEY BANK BY E A MICKELSEN CASHIER

9PM

Form *LS*

*Handwritten notes and stamps:*  
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A diagonal stamp reads "JAN 2 1914".  
A vertical stamp on the right edge reads "ST. LOUIS".  
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SECY W G MCADOO

WASHINGTON DC

BECAUSE THE NATURAL FLOW OF MONEY FROM GRAIN FARM MACHINERY  
LUMBER ETC IS FROM AND TO MINNEAPOLIS MINNESOTA WE REQUEST  
THAT A REGIONAL BANK BE ESTABLISHED THERE

KELSO EQUITY AND TRADING CO

840PM

37 1914

ANSWERED

7:00 PM 1914  
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Form L 5

# WESTERN UNION DAY LETTER

Form 2589 B



THEO. N. VAIL, PRESIDENT

*Handwritten signature*

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NORTHWOOD N D JAN 5 1914

THE HON SECY OF THE TREASURY

1914 JAN 5 PM 6 30

WASHINGTON DC

IT IS OUR DESIRE TO HAVE MINNEAPOLIS DESIGNATED AS A REGIONAL RESERVE POINT ON ACCOUNT OF THE COMMERCIAL CENTER OF THE CITY ITS CONVENIENCE FOR OUR BUSINESS TRANSACTION AND THE SHIPPING POINT FOR THE PRODUCE OF THE WEST WE BELIEVE THE SELECTION WILL BE TO THE BEST INTERESTS OF THIS DISTRICT

FIRST STATE BANK OF KEMPTON ND

JAN 5 1914  
2 10  
KEMPTON ND

627PM

Form 4 5

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BELVIDERE BROOKS, GENERAL MANAGER

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KEMPTON ND JAN 5TH-1918

HON W G MCADOO

SECY TREASURY WASHINGTON DC

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LUMBER ETC IS FROM AND TO MINNEAPOLIS MINNESOTA WE REQUEST  
THAT A REGIONAL RESERVE BANK BE ESTABLISHED THERE

FIRST STATE BANK

ANSWER

1022P

JAN 7 1918  
D. L. R.  
R. L.

Form 45

POSTAL TELEGRAPH-CABLE COMPANY



NIGHT LETTERGRAM

THE POSTAL TELEGRAPH-CABLE COMPANY (INCORPORATED) TRANSMITS AND DELIVERS THIS NIGHT LETTERGRAM SUBJECT TO THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS PRINTED ON THE BACK OF THIS BLANK. CLARENCE H. MACKAY, PRESIDENT.

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DELIVERY NUMBER 500

INDEPENDENT COMPETITIVE PROGRESSIVE

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B. 3 CH. MR. 30 N. L. 3 Extra Via Minneapolis, Minn.

Kenmare, N. D., Jan. 2-1914.

Hon. W. G. McAdoo,

Secy. of Treasury, Washington, D.C.

ANSWERED  
JAN 2 1914  
L.S.

Dear Sir. As Minneapolis is the center of the grain, lumber, agriculture and produce district of the Northwest we most earnestly petition that said city be named as a location for one of the regional reserve banks.

Kenmare National Bank, First National Bank.

110 a.m.3.

Form L.S.

# The Kensal Farmers Elevator Company

OSMER BURLESON, PRES. JOS. NOGOSEK, VICE PRES.  
GEO. E. BERG SECY. GLENN FARRAR ASST. SECY.  
DANIEL C. OLANOY TREASURER.

JOHN C. ASHLEY  
MANAGER.

KENSAL, N. DAK., Jan. 5- 1914 .....191....

Secy. Wm. G. McAdoo,  
Washington D.C.

Dear Sir:-

My board of Directors requested me to write you in the name of our company and beg that you favorably consider Minneapolis, Minnesota, as the location of one of the REGIONAL Reserve Banks. We are only one of several hundred similar organizations in this State, and we all use from \$10000- to \$60000- apiece to move the crop, besides the banks, farm implement dealers, lumberman and merchants, all, or nearly all, center in Minneapolis, Minnesota, from all over North and South Dakota, Montana and Minnesota. It would seem to us that Minneapolis is the logical location for one of these banks.

Hopeing this will meet with your favorable consideration, we are,

Yours Very Respect.

Kensal Farmers Elevator, Co.

By, *J. Ashley* Mngr.

ANSWERED  
JAN 8 1914  
FORM *L 5*

Form *L 5*

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Treasury Department

TELEGRAM

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OFFICE

29 3 ex vin Minneapolis

KENSAL N D Dec 31 1913

Secretary of the Treasury

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We recommend that one of Regional Banks be located in Minneapolis as most advantageous point in northwest due to extreme closeness in touch with this section.

Form 20

ANSWERED  
JAN 7 1914  
FORM 2

Secourty State Bank of Kansas

Glen Farrar, Cashier.

11 11 am

L. H. MILLER, PRES.

G. F. LOUCKS, MANAGER

GRANT C. SE, SEC'Y.

# KERMIT GRAIN AND MERCANTILE CO.

KERMIT, N. DAK., January 10th, 1914

Secretary Wm. G. McAdoo,  
Washington D. C.

Dear Sir :-

Form *LS* FORM

ANSWERED  
JAN 13 1914  
R

We request your careful consideration of Minneapolis as the location of one of the Reserve Banks, as the principal part of our banking is transacted there and most of our farm products marketed in Minneapolis.

Yours very truly,

Kermit Grain & Merc Co,

*G. F. Loucks*, Manager.

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Kintyre, N.D., Dec 31st

Hon Wm G. McAdoo,  
Secretary of Treasury,  
Washington, D.C.

ANSWERED

JAN 3 1914

Jan 1, 1914

FORM

Kindly permit me as one of the bankers of the Northwest to urgently request that a Regional Bank be located in the city of Minneapolis Minn. it being the natural banking center of the Northwest owing to its location and its established importance as a market center and in my opinion it would be a serious handicap to the Northwestern States should a regional bank not be located there.

FORM *LB*

Frank Simon, Pres

Kintyre State Bank.

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KLOTEN N D JAN 1 1914

SECRETARY OF THE TREASURY

WASHINGTON DC

THE OFFICERS AND DIRECTORS OF THE FIRST STATE BANK OF  
KLOTEN, KLOTEN ND DESIRE THAT A REGIONAL BANK BE LOCATED  
AT MINNEAPOLIS MINN. MINNEAPOLIS IS THE CENTER OF THE GRAIN  
LUMBER AND AGRICULTURAL INTEREST OF THE NORTHWEST

O E LOFTHUS

1013PM

A. H. WHITE, PRESIDENT

OTTO KRETSCHMAS, VICE-PRES.

C. P. FOSTER, SECRETARY

# FARMERS GRAIN COMPANY

WM. WISE, MANAGER.  
COAL, FLOUR AND FEED

KRAMER, ANSWERED Jan 10th 1914

Wm.G. Mc Adoo Secretary,  
Washington, D. C.

Form *AY*  
ANSWERED  
JAN 13 1914  
FORM *R*

Dear Sir :--

We request your careful consideration of Minneapolis as the location for one of the Reserve Banks, as the principle part of our banking is transacted there, and most of our farm products marketed in Minneapolis.

Yours Very Truly,

Farmers grain Co,

*Wm Wise* MGR.

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LAKOTA ND DEC 31 1913

THE SECY OF THE TREASURY

WASHN DC

MINNEAPOLIS IN OUR OPINION WOULD BE MOST ADVANTAGEOUS POINT FOR  
LOCATION OF ONE OF REGIONAL BANKS OWING TO ITS CLOSENESS  
IN TOUCH WITH THIS SECTION BOTH AS REGARDS MARKETING FARM  
PRODUCTS AND FURNISHING THIS SECTION WITH FARMING IMPLEMENTS AND MERCANTILE  
GOODS

THE NATIONAL BANK OF LAKOTA

BY R D SWENGEL CASHIER

142AM

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LAKOTA ND JAN 1 1914

THE HON SECY OF THE TREASURY

WASHN DC

MINNEAPOLIS SHOULD BE DESIGNATED AS ONE OF THE REGIONAL RESERVE  
CITIES IT IS NOW THE PLACE WHERE THE BUSINESS OF  
THE GREAT INDUSTRIAL WEST IS BEING TRANSACTED THE NEW SYSTEM  
WILL NOT BE A SUCCESS SO FAR AS THIS REGION  
IS CONCERNED UNLESS WE CAN CONTINUE TO DO OUR BUSINESS  
WITH MINNEAPOLIS

THE STATE BANK OF BROCKETT ND

FOR [Signature]

SIGNED THE FARMERS AND  
MERCHANTS STATE BANK OF  
LAKOTA ND 910P

# NIGHT LETTER

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THEO. N. VAIL, PRESIDENT

BELVIDERE BROOKS, GENERAL MANAGER

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SECTY OF THE TREASURY

WASHN DC

MINNEAPOLIS BEING THE FINANCIAL AND GENERAL BUSINESS CENTER FOR THIS CENTRAL NORTHWEST SECTION OF THE COUNTRY WE RESPECTFULLY URGE UPON YOUR ORGANIZATION COMMITTEE ITS CLAIMS AND ADVANTAGES FOR DESIGNATION AS THE CITY IN WHICH TO LOCATE FEDERAL RESERVE BANK FOR THIS DISTRICT ALL OF OUR GRAIN LUMBER AND FARM MACHINERY BUSINESS CENTERS AT MINNEAPOLIS VERY RESPECTFULLY

PAUL ADAMS

CASHIER FIRST NATL BANK OF LAMOURE ND

T S HUNT CASHIER FARMERS NATL BANK OF

LAMOURE ND

1006PM

# NIGHT LETTER

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HON W G MCADOO

SECY TREASURY WASHINGTON DC

IN THIS VERY IMPORTANT MATTER THE LOCATION OF A REGIONAL RESERVE DISTRICT FOR THE NORTHWEST WE URGENTLY PRAY THAT A DISTRICT BE MADE TO INCLUDE THE NORTHERN PART OF WISCONSIN AND WEST TO THE ROCKY MOUNTAINS AND THAT MINNEAPOLIS MINN BE MADE THE REGIONAL RESERVE CITY THIS CITY HANDLING A LARGE MAJORITY OF THE BRAIN PRODUCE AND IS ALSO THE HOME OF MANUFACTURED ARTICLES IN ABRICULTURAL IMPLEMENTS LUMBER ETC AND THE CITY TO WHICH ALL BUSINESS IN THE DISTRICT

ABOVE MENTIONED CENTER VERY RESPTFULLY YOURS

FIRST INTL BANK

1256PM JAN 9TH 1914

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**Treasury Department**

6WU MO 38 NL

TELEGRAM

LANGDON N D Jan 9 1914

W G McAdoo, Secretary of Treasury

Washington, D.C.

By reason of its location the intimate business connections of many years and the personal acquaintance of our customers with the business men of Minneapolis that city would be our only choice for location of proposed regional bank

Citizens State Bank of Langdon

1049am

# WESTERN UNION DAY LETTER



THEO. N. VAIL, PRESIDENT

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LANGDON, ND 1

SECRETARY OF THE TREASURY

1914 JAN 31 PM 12 36

WASHINGTON DC

THE SELECTION OF MINNEAPOLIS BY YOUR COMMISSION FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF REGIONAL RESERVE BANK WILL BE APPRECIATED BY OUR FARMERS MERCHANTS AND BUSINESS MEN WHO DO ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS WORTH OF BUSINESS WITH MINNEAPOLIS WHERE TEN DOLLARS IS DONE WITH CHICAGO OUR BANKS AND MERCHANTS ARE WELL KNOWN BY MINNEAPOLIS BANKS AND BUSINESS MEN. MINNEAPOLIS IS THE IDEAL LOCATION FOR REGIONAL RESERVE BANK FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF LANGDON.

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POSTAL TELEGRAPH-CABLE COMPANY

NIGHT LETTERGRAM



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Lansford, N D Jan 2-14

Secy of the Treasury

Washn DC

ANSWERED  
JAN 14 1914  
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In case a regional bank is located in this part of the Northwest put us down as favoring Minneapolis where the greater part of our agricultural business is done and where our present affiliations are

The First National Bank,

C A Adams Vice Prest 1019p

Form 15

# NIGHT LETTER

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BELVIDERE BROOKS, GENERAL MANAGER

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LANSFORD ND JAN 6 1914

HON WM G MCADOO

SECY OF TREASURY WASHN DC

WE EMPHATICALLY URGE THAT REGIONAL RESERVE BANK BE LOCATED IN  
MINNEAPOLIS MINNESOTA THE IMMENSE VOLUME OF NORTHWESTERN BUSINESS IN  
GRAIN LUMBER AND FLOUR CENTERS IN MINNEAPOLIS MINN IS THE CHIEF  
TERMINAL MARKET FOR OUR FARM IMPLEMENTS AND ALL COMMODITIES  
USED HERE

FIRST STATE BANK

ANSWERED  
1155P JAN 7 1914  
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# NIGHT LETTER

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BELVIDERE BROOKS, GENERAL MANAGER

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HON WM G MC-ADOO

SECTY WASHINGTON DC

IN MY TWELVE YEARS OF EXPERIENCE IN BANKING IN THE STATE OF NORTHDAKOTA I HAVE FOUND THAT THE GREATER PART OF THE IMMENSE VOLUME OF NORTHWESTERN BUSINESS IN GRAIN LUMBER FLOUR FARM IMPLEMENTS AND MANUFACTURED ARTICLES USED IN THIS TERRITORY IS DONE IN AND THROUGH MINNEAPOLIS ALSO TO FINANCING OF THE ANNUAL CROP IS CHIEFLY DONE IN MINNEAPOLIS AND I WOULD RESPECTFULLY URGE THAT THE REGIONAL RESERVE BANK FOR THE NORTHWEST BE LOCATED IN THAT CITY

O A HAZEN CASHIER NAT'L BANK

Form 115

758PM

# NIGHT LETTER

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BELVIDERE BROOKS, GENERAL MANAGER

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HON W G MCADOO SECY OF TREASURERY

WASHN DC

MINNEAPOLIS IS THE MARKET PLACE FOR THE AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS OF  
THIS SECTION MINNEAPOLIS ASSIST VERY LARGELY IN FINANCING THE  
MOVEMENT OF THE CROPS IN THIS SECTION AND WE BELIEVE THAT  
MINNEAPOLIS IS THE LOGICAL PLACE FOR LOCATION OF A FEDERAL  
RESERVE BANK IF IT WISHES TO SERVE THE AGRICULTURAL INTERESTS

FIRST STATE BANK OF LARSON  
OLE LOVIK CASHIER

1154 PM

ANSWERED  
JAN 8 1914  
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# POSTAL TELEGRAPH - COMMERCIAL CABLE

CLARENCE H. MACKAY, PRESIDENT

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## NIGHT TELEGRAM

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WashnDC

We recommend regional bank for Minneapolis the business center of the Northwest.

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844pm

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Treasury Department

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TELEGRAM

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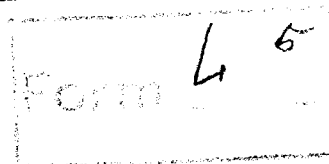
Secretary Wm McAdoo,

Washington, D.C.

Because the natural flow of money from grain is from and to Minneapolis, Minn, we request that a regional bank be established there

Farmers Cooperative Elevator Co

1132am



**Treasury Department**

**TELEGRAM**

19WU MO 34 4 ex

LEEDS N D Jan 1 1914

Hon Secretary of Treasury

Washington, D.C.

Would earnestly recommend Minneapolis as location for one of regional banks as most advantageous point in northwest as it is principal grain shipping center and jobbing center to this section

The First National Bank of Leeds, N.D.,

I L Knudson, Cashier

*[Handwritten signature]*  
*[Handwritten initials]*  
1141am

# POSTAL TELEGRAPH - COMMERCIAL CABLES

CLARENCE H. MACKAY, PRESIDENT.

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TELEPHONE: MAIN 6600

# TELEGRAM

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*M. J. McAdoo*  
B 27 th. c. 1 via

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hon W. J. McAdoo,

Secy of Treasy Washington, DC.,

We urge minneapolis for reserve bank northwests grain business  
if there.

Farmers & Merchants Bank,

502Pm

ANSWERED  
JAN 3 1914  
FORM  
*[Handwritten initials]*

Treasury Department

101WU MO 95 Blue

TELEGRAM

LEITH N D Jan 2 1914

Secretary of Treasury,  
Washington, D. .

We wish to notify you that it is the desire of this bank to have the northwestern national bank of Minneapolis Minn, designated as a regional as it is located more convenient in every way for the transaction of our business and is a center of grain, lumber, produce agricultural implements and all other business most important to this section of the country. We also wish to state that the Northwestern National Bank ~~is~~ in this section of the northwest giving very excellent service in the banking line and are doing considerable to develop our country.

Farmers State Bank  
ANSWERED 10pm  
JAN 2 1914  
FORM

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# WESTERN UNION DAY LETTER



THEO. N. VAIL, PRESIDENT

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SEC OF U S TREASURY

WASHINGTON DC

WE BELIEVE MINNEAPOLIS INTITLED TO A REGIONAL BANK AND FEEL  
THAT IT WOULD BE MORE CONVENIENT TO US TO HAVE SAME LOCATED THERE  
AS MINNEAPOLIS IS THE NATURAL CENTER FOR  
THE GRAIN AND IMPLEMENT BUSINESS OF (THE NORTH WEST  
FARMERS BANK OF LEONARD.

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Treasury Department

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LIDGERWOOD, N.D., Jan 3 1914

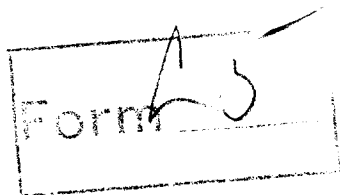
Hon W G McAdoo, Secretary Treasury,

Washington, D.C.

Minneapolis logical point for regional reserve bank for northwest  
our produce market and supply point

Farmers National Bank

1022am



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WASHN DC

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WE FAVOR MINNEAPOLIS AS A REGIONAL RESERVE CITY IT IS  
THE MORE CONVENIENTLY LOCATED IN EVERY WAY FOR THE TRANSACTION  
OF OUR BUSINESS AND IS THE CENTER OF GRAIN LUMBER  
AND AGRICULTURAL IMPLEMENTS BUSINESS

FIRST STATE BANK

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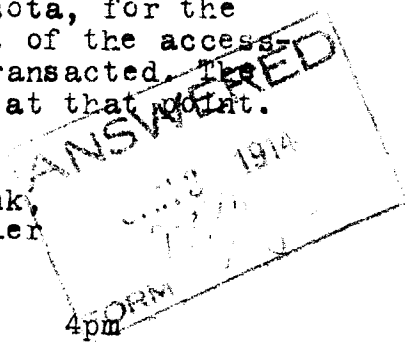
LINTON N D Jan 2 1914

Hon Wm McAdoo,

Washington, D.C.

We earnestly support the claims of Minneapolis, Minnesota, for the location of ~~Minneapolis~~ regional reserve bank on account of the accessibility and the dispatch with which business can be transacted. The major portion of business of North-dakota culminating at that point.

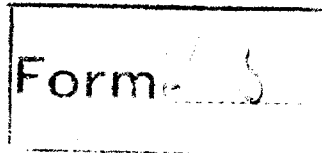
German American State Bank,  
R J Crain, Cashier



Treasury Department

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TELEGRAM



Lisbon MD Jan 2 1913

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Washn DC

In locating the regional banks under the new currency act it seems to us that the northwest with its immense agricultural lumbering and livestock interests should be recognized and it is our hope that a regional bank may be located at Minneapolis Minn

The First Natl Bank  
of Lisbon

State bank of Lisbon Citizens  
bank of Lisbon

127pm

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LITCHVILLE N D JAN 3 1914

HON W G MCADOO

SECY TREASURY WASHN DC

A LARGE MAJORITY OF THE BANKING BUSINESS OF THE NORTHWEST  
TRANSACTIONED THROUGH MINNEAPOLIS PRACTICALLY ALL BUSINESS IN NORTH DAKOTA  
TRANSACTIONED THROUGH MINNEAPOLIS WE URGE THE CREATION OF A NORTHWESTERN  
DISTRICT WITH MINNEAPOLIS AS THE REGIONAL RESERVE CITY

FIRST NATL BANK

542AM  
ANSWERED  
JAN 6 1914  
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# WESTERN UNION DAY LETTER



THEO. N. VAIL, PRESIDENT

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SECRETARY OF TREASURY

WASHN DC

WE DESIRE TO HAVE ORIGINAL RESERVE BANK LOCATED IN MINNEAPOLIS  
AS THIS WILL BE MORE CONVENIENT IN EVERY WAY FOR  
THE TRANSACTION OF OUR BUSINESS. AS IT IS THE CENTER  
OF GRAIN LUMBER PRODUCE AGRICULTURAL IMPLEMENTS AND OTHER BUSINESS

FIRST STATE BANK

BY E H HEADLAND CASHIER

ANSWERED  
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Secretary of Treasury, Washn,DC.

ANSWERED  
JAN 1 1914  
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Minneapolis is the city where the largest volume of business with North Dakota is carried on its selection for a regional reserve location would meet the need of this locality and our bank better than any other city.

First State Bank.

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MADDOCK N D JAN 2 1914

SECY OF TREASURY

WASHINGTON DC

WE FAVOR MINNEAPOLIS AS LOCATION ONE OF REGIONAL BANKS OWING  
TO CLOSENESS IN TOUCH WITH THIS SECTION

FARMERS STATE BANK OF MADDOCK

BY J I HEGGE CASHIER

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ANSWERED  
JAN 2 1914

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# POSTAL TELEGRAPH - COMMERCIAL CABLE

CLARENCE H. MACKAY, PRESIDENT.

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SECY OF THE TREASURY

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WASHINGTON DC

ANCHOR  
JAN 15 1914  
FORM

WE DESIRE THAT A CENTRAL BANK BE LOCATED AT MINNEAPOLIS  
MINN OUR BANKING THE LUMBER GRAIN AND AGRICULTURAL IMPLEMENT  
BUSINESS IN THIS TOWN IS PRACTICALLY ALL DONE THROUGH  
MINNEAPOLIS

RESERVATION STATE BANK, E H JOHNSON CASHIER

Form *L 6*

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BELVIDERE BROOKS, GENERAL MANAGER

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HON W G MC-ADOO

SECY OF THE TREASURY WASHINGTON DC

THE NORTH CENTRAL STATES WOULD BE BEST SERVED IF MINNEAPOLIS OR ST-PAUL WERE DESIGNATED RESERVE CITIES OUR BUSINESS WOULD SUFFER SERIOUSLY IF ONE OF THESE CITIES ARE NOT DESIGNATED AS OUR BANKING RELATIONS ARE ALMOST EXCLUSIVELY WITH THESE POINTS THE FARMERS AND MERCHANTS BANK

1204A

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JAN 3 1914  
D. B. R.  
L. 3

Form *AS*

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MANDAN N D JAN 3 1914

SECY W G MCADOO

WASHINGTON DC

WHEREAS MINNEAPOLIS IS AT PRESENT THE GENERAL CLEARINGHOUSE FOR ALL FINANCIAL TRANSACTIONS NECESSARY FOR THE MOVING OF GRAIN AND ALL MANUFACTURED PRODUCTS USED BY THE FARMERS OF THIS STATE THEREFORE WE BELIEVE THAT THE FINANCIAL INTERESTS OF THIS STATE WILL BEST BE SERVED IF ONE OF THE REGIONAL BANKS BE ESTABLISHED

AT MINNEAPOLIS

ANSWERED  
JAN 3 1914  
FORM

FARMERS ELEV CO OF MANDAN

BY S W UNKENDOLZ SECY

ANSWERED  
JAN 3 1914

Form 4

1156PM

# Farmers Grain Dealers Association of North Dakota

**OFFICERS:**

A. LEE, President, Pekin, N. D.  
FRED A. POWERS, 1st Vice-Pres., Beach, N. D.  
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J. H. S. THOMPSON, Valley City, N. D.

Office of the Secretary

Mandan, North Dakota, ~~Jan. 26~~ 1914.

Wm. G/ Mc Adoo,

Secretary of the Treasury,  
Washington D.C.

Dear Sir:

The following resolution was passed at a joint meeting of members of our Ass'n, and members of the North Dakota Managers Ass'n, of Farmers Elevators

Fargo North Dakota Jan. 22 /14

Resolved:

That it is the sence of an informal meeting , composed of Farmer Elevator officers, directors, and managers of the state of North Dakota, that we respectfully ask that one of the Regional reserve banks be located at Minneapolis Minn.

Signed , P.A.LEE, Pres't. of meeting and S.W.Unkenholz Sect'y.

Yours truly

*S.W. Unkenholz*

Form *RS*

ANSWERED  
JAN 30 1914  
*ALR*  
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BELVIDERZ BROOKS, GENERAL MANAGER

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HON W G MC-ADOO

SEC OF THE TREASURY WASHINGTON DC

FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF MANDAN NORTHDAKOTA AND SEVEN ALLIED BANKS  
STRONGLY URGE UPON YOU CHOICE OF MINNEAPOLIS AS LOCATION FOR  
REGIONAL RESERVE BANK VOLUME OF BUSINESS OF ALL KINDS CARRIED  
ON BY OUR TERRITORY THROUGH MINNEAPOLIS MAKES LOCATION OF SUCH  
A BANK IN MINNEAPOLIS NOT ONLY LOGICAL BUT NECESSARY

C L GIMMERMAN VICE PRESIDENT

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Form 25

# WESTERN UNION



## 1181 DAY LETTER

THEO. N. VAIL, PRESIDENT

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MANDAN ND JAN 3 1914

WM G MCADOO

SECY OF THE TREASURY WASHN DC

WE WISH TO EXPRESS OUR DESIRE TO HAVE YOU LOCATE  
A REGIONAL BANK IN MINNEAPOLIS THAT CITY BEING A CONVENIENT  
PLACE FOR OUR BANK AND OTHER BANKS OF THE NORTHWEST  
TO TRANSACT BUSINESS

STATE BANK OF MORTON COUNTY

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ANSWERED  
JAN 6 1914  
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# NIGHT LETTER

## THE WESTERN UNION TELEGRAPH COMPANY

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THEO. N. VAIL, PRESIDENT

BELVIDERE BROOKS, GENERAL MANAGER

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DEPT. OF JUSTICE  
JAN 9 1914  
TELEPHONE  
TELEGRAPH

MANNING ND JAN 9TH 1914

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SECRETARY OF THE TREASURY

WASHINGTON DC

BELIEVING THAT MINNEAPOLIS MINN SHOULD HAVE ONE OF THE RESERVE BANKS WE TAKE THIS METHOD OF CALLING YOUR ATTENTION TO THE FACT THAT MINNEAPOLIS IS THE MOST CENTRAL POINT IN THE UNITED STATES IN THE HANDLING OF GRAIN LUMBER AND AGRICULTURAL IMPLEMENTS A RESERVE BANK AT MINNEAPOLIS WILL MEET THE REQUIREMENTS OF A LARGER DISTRICT AND CONTROL A GREATER VOLUME OF BUSINESS THAN ANY OTHER MIDDLE WEST CITY

THE FIRST STATE BANK

BY C J WICK ASSISTANT CASHIER

1134PM

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*707*  
*10 1914*  
*WJ-*

# NIGHT LETTER

## THE WESTERN UNION TELEGRAPH COMPANY

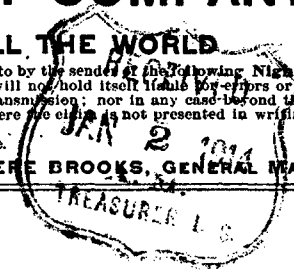
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BELVIDERE BROOKS, GENERAL MANAGER



### RECEIVED AT

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MARION ND JAN 1 1914

HON JOHN BURKE

TREASURER OF THE U S WASHN DC

UNDER THE NEW CURRENCY BILL THOSE OF US INTERESTED IN  
THE BANKING BUSINESS IN NORTHDAKOTA ARE ESPECIALLY INTERESTED IN HAVING  
A REGIONAL BANK ESTABLISHED AT MINNEAPOLIS YOUR KNOWLEDGE OF THE  
SITUATION WILL INDICATE THE ADVANTAGE TO NORTHDAKOTA BY HAVING THAT  
CITY DESIGNATED IF IT IS AT ALL POSSIBLE YOUR NORTHDAKOTA  
FRIENDS WOULD BE MORE THAN PLEASED TO HAVE YOU PUT  
IN A GOOD WORD FOR US AT THIS TIME WISHING  
YOU A HAPPY NEW YEAR

FIRST NATL BANK OF MARION

WESLEY C MCDOWELL CASHIER 1010P

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THEO. N. VAIL, PRESIDENT

BELVIDERE BROOKS, GENERAL MANAGER

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MARION ND JAN 1 1914

ANSWERED  
5 1014 P.

SECTY OF TREASURY

WASHINGTON D C

ALL RAILROADS IN NORTH DAKOTA CENTER IN MINNEAPOLIS MINN AND ALL OUR PRODUCTS GO THERE FOR MARKET PRACTICALLY ALL OUR MERCHANTS BUY OF MINNEAPOLIS WHOLESALE HOUSES IT IS OUR NATUARAL TRADE CENTER FROM THIS STATE BUYING ALL WE HAVE TO SELL AND SELLING US THE LARGER PORTION OF EVERYTHING THAT WE BUY OUR NORTHDAKOTA PEOPLE ARE VERY MUCH INTERESTED IN HAVING A REGIONAL BANK LOCATED AT MINNEAPOLIS FOR THESE REASONS AND WE HOPE THAT THAT CITY WILL RECEIVE FAVORABLE CONSIDERATION.

FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF MARION,

WESLEY C MCDOWELL, CASHIER

1019PM

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THEO. N. VAIL, PRESIDENT

BELVIDERE BROOKS, GENERAL MANAGER

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MARMARTH N D DEC 31 1913 VIA MOBRIDGE SD

SECY OF TREASURY

WASHN DC

BY DIRECTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS THE FIRST NATIONAL

BANK OF MARMARTH HEREWITH APPLIES FOR MEMBERSHIP IN THE NEW

FEDERAL BANKING SYSTEM AND RECOMMENDS THAT THE REGIONAL BANK FOR

THIS DISTRICT BE LOCATED AT MINNEAPOLIS FOR THE REASON THAT

MINNEAPOLIS IS THE ACTIVE AND PRINCIPAL CLEARING AND BUSINESS CENTER

FOR THIS PART OF THE COUNTRY ALSO THAT THE ENTERPRISE

AND STAMINA OF MINNEAPOLIS WILL LARGELY CONTRIBUTE TO THE SUCCESS

OF THE NEW SYSTEM

W W SCOTT

ANSWERED  
DEC 31 1914  
CASHIER  
FORM 1122PM

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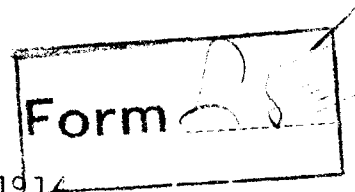
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Treasury Department

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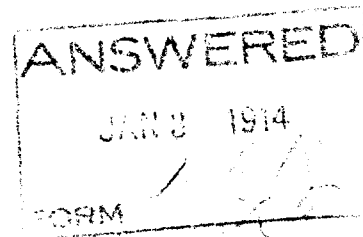
Hon Secretary Treasury,

Washington, D. C.

It is our desire to have regional reserve bank located in Minneapolis, Minn, as being more convenient for the transaction of our business being the center of grain, lumber, agriculture implement and other business

First National Bank

206 pm



# WESTERN UNION DAY LETTER



THEO. N. VAIL, PRESIDENT

RECEIVED AT

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MAYVILLE, ND 30

HON WM GIBBS NCADOO

SECRETARY OF THE TREASURY WASHINGTON DC

AS MINNEAPOLIS IS THE CENTER MARKET FOR THE AGRICULTURAL  
PRODUCTS OF THE NORTHWEST WE MUCH PREFER YOU TO ESTABLISH ONE  
OF THE REGIONAL BANKS IN THAT CITY

GOOSE RIVER BANK

ANSWERED  
JAN 7 1914  
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FORM 25

# NIGHT LETTER

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THEO. N. VAIL, PRESIDENT

BELVIDERE BROOKS, GENERAL MANAGER

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G MCADOO.

WASHINGTON DC

WE THINK MINNEAPOLIS IS ENTITLED TO ONE OF THE REGIONAL  
RESERVE BANKS AS THE PRINCIPAL PART OF OUR BUSINESS OF  
BANKING FARM PRODUCTS AND FARM IMPLEMENTS CENTER THERE WE REQUEST  
THAT YOU DESIGNATE THAT CITY AS A LOCATION FOR ONE  
OF THESE BANKS YOURS TRULY

MAYVILLE FARMERS ELEV CO  
ANSWERED  
JAN 7 1914  
FORM

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JAN 4TH -1914

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**POSTAL TELEGRAPH-CABLE COMPANY**

**NIGHT LETTERGRAM**

THE POSTAL TELEGRAPH-CABLE COMPANY (INCORPORATED) TRANSMITS AND DELIVERS THIS NIGHT LETTERGRAM SUBJECT TO THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS PRINTED ON THE BACK OF THIS BLANK.

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CHECK NO. \_\_\_\_\_

**INDEPENDENT COMPETITIVE PROGRESSIVE**

112CHUC 41 NL 5 Exa Via Minneapolis Minn

Max N D Jan 1, 14

Secy Of Treasy,

WashnDC

Three fourths of the northdakota business in banking is done in Minneapolis and I believe that a federal reserve bank should be located where the business is transacted and that is the great city of Minneapolis .

Citizens State Bank Of Max,

M R Freitag

Vice Prest

ANSWERED

JAN 6 1914

*[Handwritten signature]*

Form 3

849pm

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NIGHT LETTERGRAM



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RECEIVED AT

DELIVERY NUMBER

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INDEPENDENT COMPETITIVE PROGRESSIVE

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111CHUC. 50NL 8 Ex Via Minneapolis Minn

Max N D Jan 1, 14

Secy Of Trasy,

Washn DC

ANSWERED  
JAN 10 1914  
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After years of experience in this northwest country and after studying conditions thoroughly it appeals to me that a federal reserve bank should be located in Minneapolis I frankly believe this same opinion is universal through out this section of the state.

L J Rodman,  
Vice Prest First State Bank Of Max ND

c+5pm

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**THEO. N. VAIL, PRESIDENT**

**BELVIDERE DROOKS, GENERAL MANAGER**

**RECEIVED AT**

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MAZA ND JAN 7 1914

SECY W G MCAD00

WASHN DC

BECAUSE THE NATURAL FLOW OF MONEY FOR GRAIN MACHINERY AND  
LUMBER IS FROM AND TO MINNEAPOLIS MINNESOTA WE REQUEST THAT  
A REGIONAL BANK BE ESTABLISHED THERE

FARMERS ELV CO

D. S. BLAIR

1018PM

ANSWERED  
JAN 8 1914  
FORM *NS*

Form *L 5*

E. McCANNA, PRES.

J.C. McWILLIAMS, VICE PRES.

P. P. ENGH, CASHIER

# BANK OF M<sup>C</sup> CANNA

M<sup>C</sup> CANNA, N. D.

January 7, 1914.

Hon. W.G. Mc Adoo, Sec. of Treas.,  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:-

Believing that Minneapolis is the natural business center for the North West, and that the flow of money is to and from that point, and that it is the most convenient reserve center for the banks in this territory, we would request that one of the Regional Reserve Banks be located in the city of Minneapolis, Minn.

Very truly yours,  
Bank of Mc Canna,

*P. P. Engh*  
Cash.

RECORDED  
JAN 10 1914  
*SLR*  
*L5*  
FORM

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THEO. N. VAIL, PRESIDENT

BELVIDERE BROOKS, GENERAL MANAGER

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HON W G MCADOO

WASHN DC

THE PRINCIPAL PART OF OUR BUSINESS OF BANKING FARM PRODUCTS  
AND FARM IMPLEMENTS CENTERS TO MINNEAPOLIS MINN AND WE REQUEST  
THAT A REGIONAL RESERVE BANK BE ESTABLISHED THERE

FIRST NATIONAL BANK

1253AM

ANSWERED

JAN 10 1914

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**Treasury Department**

TELEGRAM

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MCHENRY N D Jan 1 1914

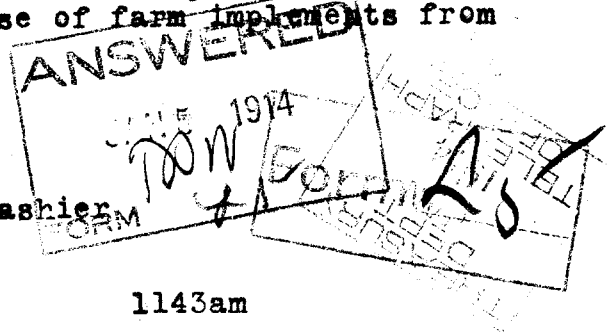
Secretary of the Treasury,

Washington, D.C.

We favor location one of regional banks in Minneapolis account bulk farm products marketed there and purchase of farm implements from Minneapolis

First State Bank,

W H Neileier, Cashier



1143am

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# WESTERN UNION DAY LETTER

THEO. N. VAIL, PRESIDENT



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SECRETARY OF THE TREASURY

WASHINGTON DC

IT IS THE DESIRE OF THE OFFICERS AND DIRECTORS OF  
THIS BANK TO HAVE A REGIONAL BANK LOCATED AT MINNEAPOLIS  
MINN IT BEING THE GRAIN LUMBER PRODUCE AND AGRICULTURAL CENTER  
OF THE ENTIRE NORTHWEST

C H SIMPSON

VICE PRESIDENT SECURITY BANK

237P

ANSWERED  
JAN 7 1914  
FORM

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BELVIDERE BROOKS, GENERAL MANAGER

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MC-VILLE ND JAN 3 1914

SECRETARY TO THE TREASURY

WASHINGTON DC

BANKS IN NORTHDAKOTA HOPE THAT YOUR FEDERAL RESERVE BOARD WILL  
DESIGNATE MINNEAPOLIS AS THE SEAT OF ONE FEDERAL BANK MINNEAPOLIS  
IS THE NATURAL CENTER FOR THE GREAT NORTHWESTERN GRAIN TRADE  
AS WELL AS THE BANKING CENTER FOR THIS REGION

STATE BANK OF MCVILLE  
S  
E C OLSGARD CASHIER

ANSWERED  
JAN 6 1914  
TORN

313AM

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THEO. N. VAIL, PRESIDENT

BELVIDERE BROOKS, GENERAL MANAGER

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SECRETARY OF TREASURY

WASHINGTON DC

KINDLY LOCATE A REGIONAL RESERVE BANK AT MINNEAPOLIS MINNESOTA BEING IN THE CENTER OF GRAIN AND LUMBER PRODUCTS AS WELL AS A MANUFACTURING CITY AND THEREFORE MORE CONVENIENT FOR THE TRANSACTION OF OUR BUSINESS

GERMAN AMERICAN STATE BANK

OF MEDINA ND WM F STEGE CASHIER

ANSWERED  
JAN 7 1914  
M B L  
FORM

132AM

Form L<sup>3</sup>

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T. E. N. VAIL, PRESIDENT BELVIDERE BROOKS, GENERAL MANAGER

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1914 JAN 1 PM 12 36

MELVILLE ND 5741

HON W C MCADOO

SEC OF THE TREASURY WASHINGTON DC

WE VERY STRONGLY FAVOR YOUR CREATING RESERVE DISTRICT

IN TERRITORY FROM MISSISSIPPI RIVER TO PUGET SOUND WITH MINNEAPOLIS MINN AS

REGIONAL RESERVE CITY

BANK OF MELVILLE PHILIP WISEMAN CASHIER.

ANSWERED  
JAN 7 1914  
FORM 10-11-12

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# WESTERN UNION DAY LETTER



THEO. N. VAIL, PRESIDENT

1914 JAN 8 PM 2 05

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MICHIGAN ND: 8

W G MCADOO

SECTY OF TREASURY WASHINGTON DC

BECAUSE THE NATURAL FLOW OF MONEY FROM GRAIN FARM MACHINERY  
LUMBER ETC IS FROM AND TO MINNEAPOLIS MINNESOTA WE REQUEST  
THAT A REGIONAL RESERVE BANK BE ESTABLISHED THERE

MICHIGAN CITY BANK

1570

ANSWERED

JAN 8 1914

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Form 25  
L.S.

Treasury Department

TELEGRAM

6WU MO 46 NL 3 ex

MILNOR N D Jan 4 1914

Wm G McAdoo, Secretary Treasury,

Washington, D.C.

Minneapolis being the principal distributing point of the northwest for farm products implements and other commodities which commands a large flow of money through its many agencies, we request that you designate that city as a location for one of the federal reserve banks

Farmers Grain and Trading Co,

of Milnor, N.D.

*Frank  
L*

1029am

Form L<sup>5</sup>

# WESTERN UNION



# 1249 DAY LETTER

THEO. N. VAIL, PRESIDENT

## RECEIVED AT

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MILNOR ND JAN 3 1914

SECY OF THE TREASURY OF THE U S

*434*

WASHN D C

MINNEAPOLIS IS BUSINESS CENTER OF A VAST TERRITORY EXTENDING OVER  
 FIVE HUNDRED MILES TO SOUTHWEST WEST AND NORTHWEST IN ORDER  
 TO PROPERLY SERVE THE BUSINESS OF THIS EXTENDED AREA IT  
 IS IMPERATIVE THAT THE GOVERNMENT LOCATE A REGIONAL RESERVE BANK  
 IN MINNEAPOLIS AND WE EARNESTLY REQUEST THAT IT BE DONE

MILNOR NAT BANK

FIRST NATIONAL BANK MILNOR ND

432AM JAN 4

*Handwritten signature*

Form L 5

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BELVIDERE BROOKS, GENERAL MANAGER

RECEIVED AT

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MILTON ND JANY 7 1914

HON VM G MCADOO

WASHN DC

WE THINK MINNEAPOLIS IS ENTITLED TO ONE OF THE REGIONAL RESERVE BANKS AS THE PRINCIPAL PART OF OUR BUSINESS OF BANKING FARM PRODUCTS AND FARM IMPLEMENTS CENTERS THERE WE REQUEST THAT YOU DESIGNATE THAT CITY AS A LOCATION OF ONE OF THESE BANKS

ANSWERED

FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF MILTON

Form L 5

1026PM

TOBY  
LJ

10:26 AM

# NIGHT LETTER

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BELVIDERE BROOKS, GENERAL MANAGER

RECEIVED AT

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SCRANTON N D JAN 6 1914

HON WM D MCADOO

SECY TREASURY WASHINGTON DC

IN AS MUCH AS MINNEAPOLIS IS THE NATURAL MARKET FOR  
THE PRODUCTS OF THE NORTHWEST AND ITS BANKING CENTER IT  
IS OUR DESIRE THAT YOUR COMMITTEE DESIGNATE MINNEAPOLIS AS ONE  
OF THESE REGIONAL RESERVE CITIES

ANSWERED THE FIRST STATE BANK, OF MINNEAPOLIS ND

115PM

JAN 7 1914

Wm D McAdoo

Form 2289 B

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THEO. N. VAIL, PRESIDENT

BELVIDERE BROOKS, GENERAL MANAGER

RECEIVED AT

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SECRETARY OF TREASURY

WASHINGTON DC

HAVE MINNEAPOLIS APPOINTED FOR REGIONAL BANK BEING THE PROPER NATURAL AND ONLY OUTLET FOR THE FARMING TERRITORY OF THE NORTHWEST ALL GRAIN MONEY FROM NORTH AND SOUTHDAKOTA MONTANA AND MINNESOTA BEING HANDLED THERE

ANSWERED  
JAN 5 1914  
FORM *Ls*

MINNEWUKAN STATE BANK

MINNEWUKAN N-D

Form *AS*

830PM

# NIGHT LETTER

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BELVIDERE BROOKS, GENERAL MANAGER

RECEIVED AT

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MINOT N D JAN 1 1914

HON SECRETARY OF TREASURY

WASHINGTON DC

RECEIVED  
- 1914  
P.

WE RESPECTFULLY URGE THE SELECTION OF MINNEAPOLIS AS A FEDERAL RESERVE CITY LARGER PERCENT OF BANK BALANCES FROM THIS TERRITORY ARE CARRIED THERE AND MOST OF OUR MERCHANDISE TRANSACTIONS ARE CARRIED ON AT MINNEAPOLIS

UNION NATIONAL BANK

916PM

For [Signature]

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THEO. N. VAIL, PRESIDENT

BELVIDERE BROOKS, GENERAL MANAGER

RECEIVED AT 1074

43CH WI 53 NL 4 EX

MINOT N D JAN 7 1914

HON W G MCADOO

SECY OF THE TREASURY WASHN DC

WE BELIEVE MINNEAPOLIS IS LOGICAL POINT FOR REGIONAL BANK AS IT IS CENTER OF THE GRAIN PRODUCE AGRICULTURAL IMPLEMENT LUMBER AND ALL OTHER BUSINESS IN THIS DISTRICT DEVELOPMENT OF WHICH IS ONLY IN ITS INFANCY ESTABLISHMENT OF SUCH A BANK WOULD GREATLY FACILITATE TRANACTION OF BUSINESS IN THIS STATE

ANSWERED

SCANDINAVIAN AMERICAN BANK OF MINOT

M R PORTER CASHIER

JAN 7 1914

926P

FORM 5-5 213

# WESTERN UNION DAY LETTER



THEO. N. VAIL, PRESIDENT

RECEIVED AT

F121CH

FB 46 BLUE 4 EXTRA

*1029*

SECY OF TREASURY

MINTO, N D JAN 2 1914

JAN 2 PM 10 11

WASHN DC

A REGIONAL BANK LOCATED AT MINNEAPOLIS IS VERY EARNESTLY OUR  
DESIRE IT IS IN CLOSE TOUCH CONSTANTLY WITH OUR PARTICULAR  
NEEDS AND CONDITION OUR NATURAL AND MOST CONVENIENT POINT FOR  
TRANSACTION OF GRAIN STOCK AND IMPLEMENT BUSINESS YOUR ATTENTION IS  
RESPECTFULLY URGED

M S TITUS, PRESIDENT BANK OF MINTO

1008PM

ANSWERED  
JAN 5 1914  
Form

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THEO. N. VAIL, PRESIDENT

BELVIDERE DROOKS, GENERAL MANAGER

RECEIVED AT

1259

F142CH TR 46 NL 3 EXTRA

MOFFIT NO DAK JAN 7 1914

SECY MCADOO

WASHN DC

WE THINK MINNEAPOLIS IS ENTITLED TO ONE OF THE REGIONAL RESERVE BANKS AS A PRINCIPAL PART OF OUR BUSINESS OF BANKING FARM PRODUCTS AND FARM IMPLEMENTS CENTER THERE WE REQUEST THAT YOU DESIGNATE THAT CITY AS <sup>A</sup>LOCATION FOR ONE OF THESE BANKS

FARMERS ELEV AND MER CO  
OF MOFFITT ND

Form L 5

# NIGHT LETTER

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**THEO. N. VAIL, PRESIDENT**

**BELVIDERE BROOKS, GENERAL MANAGER**

**RECEIVED AT**

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1145

MOHALL ND JAN 6 1914

Form 13

HON W G MCADOO

WASHINGTON DC

OUR BOARD OF DIRECTORS HAVE ACCEPTED FEDERAL RESERVE ACT BY  
REASON OF THE NATURAL CHANNEL OF BUSINESS WE URGE MINNEAPOLIS  
FOR A DISTRICT BANK

P A BENSON, CASHIER FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF MOHALL

ANSWERED  
JAN 7 1914  
FORM 5580

724P

**Treasury Department**

**TELEGRAM**

14WU MO 42 NL

MOHALL N D Jan 8 1914

Hon W G McAdoo, Secretary Treasury,

Washington, D.C.

We emphatically urge that a regional reserve bank be located in Minneapolis, Minn. The immense volume of northwestern business in grain lumber and flour centers in Minneapolis, Minn, is the chief market for our farm implements and all commodities used here

Mohall State Bank

1159 am

*90-11  
LJ-*

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BELVIDERE BROOKS, GENERAL MANAGER

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SECY OF THE TREASY WASHN DC

MINNEAPOLIS THE GATEWAY TO THE GREAT NORTHWEST IS THE ONLY LOGICAL POINT FOR THE LOCATION OF A REGIONAL RESERVE BANK TO SERVE THAT SECTION OF THE NORTHWEST FROM THE MISSISSIPPI RIVER TO THE ROCKY MOUNTAINS MINNEAPOLIS BANKS SUPPLY THE MONEY FOR HANDLING THE GRAIN CROPS OF THIS TERRITORY AND THE GREATER PART OF THE FARM MORTGAGES MADE ARE NEGOTIATED THROUGH MINNEAPOLIS INSTITUTIONS BY FAR THE LARGER PART OF ALL MERCHANDISE FARM IMPLEMENTS AND OTHER MANUFACTURED ARTICLES SHIPPED INTO THIS TERRITORY COME FROM MINNEAPOLIS AND MINNEAPOLIS IS IN RETURN THE MARKET FOR SEVENTY FIVE PERCENT OF THE NATURAL PRODUCTS OF THE

OFFICE OF BANKING SECRETARIES

# NIGHT LETTER

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THEO. N. VAIL, PRESIDENT

BELVIDERE BROOKS, GENERAL MANAGER

RECEIVED AT

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NORTHWEST THESE ARE A FEW REASONS WHY NEARLY ALL THE  
SURPLUS FUNDS OF COUNTRY BANKS IN MINNESOTA THE DAKOTAS AND  
MONTANA ARE DEPOSITED WITH BANKS IN MINNEAPOLIS AND WHY MINNEAPOLIS  
SHOULD BE A REGIONAL RESERVE CITY

FARMERS AND MERCHANTS STATE BANK  
OF MONANGO ND

1250A

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THEO. N. WAIL, PRESIDENT

BELVIDERE BROOKS, GENERAL MANAGER

RECEIVED AT 1614

F90CH FB 23 NL

MONTPELIER N D DEC 31 1913

HON W G MCADOO

SECY TREASY WASHN DC

WE GREATLY FAVOR A RESERVE DISTRICT INCLUDING THE TERRITORY FROM MISSISSIPPI RIVER TO PUGET SOUND WITH MINNEAPOLIS NAMED AS THE REGIONAL RESERVE CITY

MONTPELIER STATE BANK

843 PM

Form 25

# NIGHT LETTER

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THEO. N. VAIL, PRESIDENT

BELVIDERE BROOKS, GENERAL MANAGER

RECEIVED AT 1102  
12CH WI 57NL 4 EX

MOORTON ND JAN 1 1913

VIA WAMPETON ND  
ANSWERED  
5 1914  
P.

SECY OF THE TREASURY

WASHN DC

MOORTON STATE BANK RESPECTFULLY URGES THAT MINNEAPOLIS BE DESIGNATED

AS A CITY IN WHICH SHALL BE LOCATED A REGIONAL RESERVE BANK

UNDER THE NEW CURRENCY LAW IT IS OUR BELIEF THAT

NO OTHER CITY IN THE NORTHWEST OCCUPIES THE COMMERCIAL AND

FINANCIAL IMPORTANCE IN ITS RELATION TO THE GREAT NORTHWEST AS

DOES MINNEAPOLIS

W D HENRY

PREST

Form 25

920P

# NIGHT LETTER

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BELVIDERE BROOKS, GENERAL MANAGER

RECEIVED AT

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1153

MOTT N D JAN 2 1-14

HON W G MCADOO

WASHINGTON DC

WE URGE A REGIONAL BANK FOR MINNEAPOLIS THE LOGICAL POINT

FOR THE CENTER AND NORTHWEST STATES

FIRST NATIONAL BANK

1005PM

Form 15

# NIGHT LETTER

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1914 JAN 3 AM 1 31

RECEIVED AT

A12F PS 65 NL

1424

MOTT ND JAN 2 14

HON W G MCADOO

SECY TREASRY WASHN DC

WE WANT TO URGE THE SELECTION OF MINNEAPOLIS AS ONE  
OF THE REGIONAL BANK POINTS UNDER THE NEW LAW IT  
IS THE NATURAL METROPOLIS OF A DISTRICT EXTENDING FROM THE  
MISSISSIPPI RIVER TO PUGETSOUND ON ACCOUNT OF ITS LOCATION AND  
RAILROADS ITS MARKETS AND EXCELLENT BUSINESS FACILITIES OF ALL KINDS  
IT IS BY FAR THE MOST DESIRABLE REGIONAL BANK POINT  
IN THE TERRITORY MENTIONED ABOVE

FIRST STATE BANK

1255A

Form AS

ANSWERED  
C. L. B. H.  
JAN 2 14

# NIGHT LETTERS

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**THEO. N. VAIL, PRESIDENT**

**BELVIDERE BROOKS, GENERAL MANAGER**

**RECEIVED AT**

17F PS 40 NL 7 EX 1360

MUNICH ND JAN 2 14

HON W G MCADOO

SECY TREASY WASHN DC

IF YOUR ORGANIZING COMMITTEE INTENDS TO ESTABLISH A REGIONAL BANK  
IN THE NORTHWEST WE WOULD APPRECIATE IT AND FIND IT  
A GREAT DEAL MORE CONVENIENT IF THIS BANK COULD BE  
ESTABLISHED IN MINNEAPOLIS

FARMERS BANK OF MUNICH  
CAVALIER COUNTY ND P J ANTONY CASHR:

ANSWERED  
JAN 2 1914  
FORM L5 L

1230A

Form 13

*12 259*  
*11/10*

**Treasury Department**

**TELEGRAM**

82WU MO 13

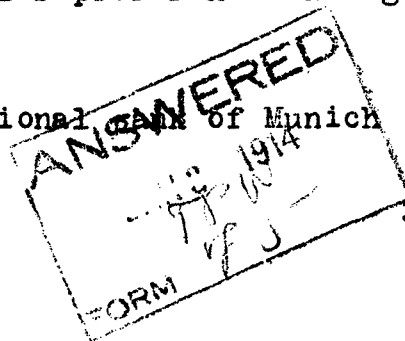
MUNICH N D Jan 2 1914

**Secretary Treasury**

Washington, D.C.

Would appreciate your giving Minneapolis preference in regional of  
north western reserve bank


First National Bank of Munich



316pm

**POSTAL TELEGRAPH-CABLE COMPANY**

**NIGHT LETTERGRAM**



THE POSTAL TELEGRAPH-CABLE COMPANY (INCORPORATED) TRANSMITS AND DELIVERS THIS NIGHT LETTERGRAM SUBJECT TO THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS PRINTED ON THE BACK OF THIS BLANK.

CLARENCE H. MACKAY, PRESIDENT

RECEIVED AT \_\_\_\_\_ DELIVERY NUMBER **597**

**INDEPENDENT COMPETITIVE PROGRESSIVE**

B. 51 CH. MR. 40 N. L. 5 Extra.

Via Minneapolis, Minn.

Napoleon, N. D., Jan. 2-1914.

Secretary of Treasury,

Washington, D.C.

We feel that the Northwestern country should have a reserve bank and as our banking, lumber and grain business is transacted through Minneapolis we believe that this point should be considered favorably for such bank.

C. L. Merrick, President F. B. Heath, Cashier.

1225 a.m. 2.

*Handwritten signatures and initials:*  
 J. G. ...  
 F. B. Heath  
 C. L. Merrick

Treasury Department

65WU MO 12

TELEGRAM

Form 20

NECHE N D Jan 2 1914

Secretary Treasury

Washington D C

Northwest best served by regional reserve bank at Minneapolis, favorable consideration urged

The Bank of Neche

224pm

ANSWERED  
JAN 3 1914  
FORM


**POSTAL TELEGRAPH-CABLE COMPANY**

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**INDEPENDENT COMPETITIVE PROGRESSIVE**



4-383 256-ch hf 44 NL via Minneapolis Minn

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Nekoma ND Jan 6-14

Hon W G McAdoo,

Secy Of Treasy Washington DC

we think Minneapolis is entitled to one of the regional reserve banks because the natural flow of money from grain farm machinery lumber etc is from and to Minneapolis we request that you designate that city as a location of one of these banks.

State Bank Of Nekoma Nd.

**ANSWERED**

JAN 7 1914

*DLK*

*RF*

721p

Form 5-5

# NIGHT LETTER

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BELVIDERE BROOKS, GENERAL MANAGER

RECEIVED AT

1037

B38CH WM 49 NL 4 EX

NEW BURG ND JAN 9 14

HON W G MC-ADOO

SECY OF TREASURY WASHN DC

WE BELIEVE MINNEAPOLIS THE LOGICAL POINT FOR A REGIONAL BANK FOR THE NORTHWEST FROM WISCONSIN TO ROCKY MOUNTAINS AS THE MAJORITY OF THE NORTHWEST PRODUCTS TO THE ROCKY MOUNTAINS ARE HANDLED THROUGH MINNEAPOLIS AND URGE YOU DESIGNATE THAT POINT FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE NORTHWEST

BANK OF NEWBURG

E L JOHNSON CASHIER

758PM

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BELVIDERE BROOKS, GENERAL MANAGER

RECEIVED AT

*Elliott*  
*Judge*  
288

OFFICE OF PRIVATE SECRETARY  
TO SECRETARY OF THE TREASURY

1914 JAN 6 PM 12 29  
1914 JAN 6 PM 12 53

V 138 CH 28 NL

NEWBURG ND 5-6

HON W G MCADOO

WASHINGTON DC

BECAUSE THE NATIONAL FLOW OF MONEY FROM GRAIN MACHINERY AND LUMBER ETC IS FROM AND TO MINNEAPOLIS MINN WE REQUEST THAT A REGIONAL RESERVE BANK BE ESTABLISHED THERE

STATE BANK OF NEWBURG

12220

ANSWERED  
JAN 15 1914  
*Jm M*  
*LJ*  
FORM

Form *L 5*

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THEO. N. VAIL, PRESIDENT BELVIDERE BROOKS, GENERAL MANAGER

RECEIVED AT

A21F PS 36 NL

1375

NEW LEIPZIG ND JAN 2 14

HON W G MCADOO

SECRETARY TREASURY WASHN D C

WE URGE AND VERY MUCH DESIRE THE CREATION OF REGIONAL  
RESERVE DISTRICT FOR THE NORTHWEST TO INCLUDE TERRITORY BETWEEN  
THE MISSISSIPPI RIVER AND PUGET SOUND AND THE NAMING OF  
MINNEAPOLIS AS THE REGIONAL RESERVE CITY THEREFOR  
FIRST STATE BANK

115A

ANSWERED  
JAN 1914  
25

Form AS

# WESTERN UNION DAY LETTER



THEO. N. VAIL, PRESIDENT

RECEIVED AT

*1160*

1914 JAN 4 AM 2 55

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NEW *England* ENGLAND, JAN 3 1914 VIA MOBRIDGE SD

SECRETARY TREASURY DEPARTMENT

WASHN DC

MINNEAPOLIS WOULD BE AN EXCELLENT LOCATION FOR REGIONAL BANK TO  
SERVE THE NORTH WEST

BANK OF MADWAY

225AM JAN 4

*1914  
AIR  
L5*

Form *L5*

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BELVIDERE BROOKS, GENERAL MANAGER

1308

RECEIVED AT

36Z AN 43 NL 6 EXTRA

NEW ENGLAND ND JANY 2 1914 VIA MOBRIDGE SD

SECRETARY OF TREASURY

WASHINGTON DC

BELIEVING MINNEAPOLIS BE TO BE THE LOGICAL CENTER FOR THE NORTH  
WESTERN RSERVE BANK WE ASK YOU USE YOUR INFLUENCE WITH THE  
OTHERMEMBERS OF THE BANKING COMMITTEE TO HAVE SAID CITY DESIGNATED  
AS A RESERVE CENTER

FIRST STATE BANK

DESARTE DESARTE BANK

1150P

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# NIGHT LETTER

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THEO. N. VAIL, PRESIDENT

BELVIDERE BROOKS, GENERAL MANAGER

RECEIVED AT

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NEW ENGLAND NO JAN 2 14

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SECY OF THE TREASURY

WASHN DC

WE RESPECTFULLY REQUEST THAT YOUR DEPARTMENT CONSIDER MINNEAPOLIS SERIOUSLY AS A LOCATION FOR A REGIONAL BANK NO OTHER LOCATION IN THE NORTHWEST CAN SO CONVENIENTLY SERVE AS LARGE A VOLUME OF LEGITIMATE AND DESERVING BUSINESS RESPECTFULLY SIG

J J MURPHY

SECURITY STATE BANK

1205A

Form 25

# NIGHT LETTER

## THE WESTERN UNION TELEGRAPH COMPANY

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THEO. N. VAIL, PRESIDENT BELVIDERE BROOKS, GENERAL MANAGER

### RECEIVED AT

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NEW SALEM ND JAN 3RD 14

HON W.G. MCADOO

WASHINGTON DC

*125800*

FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE BUSINESS INTERESTS OF THIS GREAT NORTHWEST WE EARNESTLY REQUEST YOU TO ESTABLISH A RESERVE BANK IN THE CITY OF MINNEAPOLIS MINNESOTA THIS BEING PRACTICALLY THE ONLY CITY WHICH IS CLOSELY IN TOUCH WITH THE BUSINESS OF THIS VAST SECTION OF OUR COUNTRY FARMERS AND MERCHANTS STATE BANK,

**ANSWERED**  
JAN 6 1914  
FORM

**ANSWERED**  
PETER ROTH CABETER 1247A  
JAN 14 1914  
FORM

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THEO. N. VAIL, PRESIDENT

BELVIDERE BROOKS, GENERAL MANAGER

RECEIVED AT C81CH TR 59 NL

NEW SALEM NO DAK DEC 31 1913

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DEC 31 1913  
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HON W G MCADOO

SECY OF THE TREASURY WASHN DC

WE EARNESTLY REQUEST THAT YOU ESTABLISH A RESERVE BANK IN THE CITY OF MINNEAPOLIS TO SERVE THE TERRITORY FROM THE MISSISSIPPI RIVER THROUGHOUT THE NORTHWEST PRACTICALLY ALL BUSINESS OF THE NORTHWESTERN STATES IS CARRIED OVER THE FOUR TRANS CONTINENTAL LINES WHICH CENTER IN MINNEAPOLIS AND NO OTHER CITY IS SO CLOSELY IN TOUCH WITH THE BUSINESS OF THIS SECTION

FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF NEW SALEM

Form 23

145AM

# NIGHT LETTER

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THEO. N. VAIL, PRESIDENT

BELVIDERE BROOKS, GENERAL MANAGER

RECEIVED AT

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1914 JAN 4 AM 2 17

NEWVILLE ND JAN 3 1914

HON WM MCADOO

WASHN DC

WOULD RECOMMEND MINNEAPOLIS AS THE MOST SUITABLE POINT FOR THE  
LOCATION OF A REGIONAL RESERVE BANK FOR THE TRANSACTION OF  
OUR BUSINESS

BANK OF NEWVILLE JOS M KELLY PREST.

2AM

ANSWERED  
JAN 6 1914  
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Form 4

# NIGHT LETTER

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THEO. N. VAIL, PRESIDENT

BELVIDERE BROOKS, GENERAL MANAGER

RECEIVED AT

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1064

NIAGARA ND JANY 2 1914

SECY OF THE TREASURY

WASHINGTON DC

*Ans -  
Jan 6 / 14  
P.*

THE STOCKHOLDERS AND OFFICERS OF THE BANK OF NIAGARA RESPECTFULLY  
REQUEST THAT ONE OF THE NEW REGIONAL BANKS BE LOCATED  
AT MINNEAPOLIS MINN NO OTHER PLACE IS AS WELL LOCATED  
FOR GIVING GOOD SERVICE TO THE COUNTRY BANKS AND BUSINESS  
CONCERNS AS MINNEAPOLIS IS IT IS THE COMMERCIAL CENTER OF  
THE NORTHWEST

DAVID KIRK

CASHIER

903PM

Form *AS*

# NIGHT LETTER

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**THEO. N. VAIL, PRESIDENT**

**BELVIDERE BROOKS, GENERAL MANAGER**

**RECEIVED AT**

1363

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SECY OF TREASURY

WASHINGTON DC

IN DESIGNATING A REGIONAL BANK FOR THE NORTHWEST WE WOULD  
DESIRE TO HAVE SAME LOCATED IN MINNEAPOLIS BEING THE LOGICAL  
CENTRE OF THE DISTRICT AND MOST CONVENIENT FOR THE TRANSACTION  
OF OUR BUSINESS

FARMERS STATE BANK

1219AM

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Form AS

Treasury Department

TELEGRAM

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Form *LS*

Secretary of the Treasury,

Washington, D.C.

We desire to have a regional bank located at Minneapolis as it is the center of the grain, lumber produce, agricultural implement and other business

First International bank,  
Security State Bank

238pm

*Handwritten:* A. H. ...  
90  
*Handwritten:* LS

**POSTAL TELEGRAPH-CABLE COMPANY**

**NIGHT LETTERGRAM**

THE POSTAL TELEGRAPH-CABLE COMPANY (INCORPORATED) TRANSMITS AND DELIVERS THIS NIGHT LETTERGRAM SUBJECT TO THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS PRINTED ON THE BACK OF THIS BLANK. CLARENCE H. MACKAY, PRESIDENT.

RECEIVED AT \_\_\_\_\_ DELIVERY NUMBER **530**

**INDEPENDENT COMPETITIVE PROGRESSIVE**



4-383

6CHUC 43 NL Via Minneapolis

Norma Nordak Jan 5,6,14

Ho-n W G McAdoo

Secy Of Treasy WashnDC

We believe Minneapolis is entitled to one of the Regional Reserve banks as the principal part of our business of banking, farm products and farm implements centers there. We request that you designate that city as a location of one of these banks

Norma State Bank

222am

Form 45

**Treasury Department**

**TELEGRAM**

3WU MO 47 NL 4 ex

5 150

P.

**NORTHWOOD N D Jan 1 1914**

**The Hon Secretary of the Treasury,**

**Washington, D.C.**

It is our desire to have the regional bank under the new currency law located at Minneapolis, Minn, it being centrally located and convenient for our business transactions. Also on account of its being the grain, lumber and agricultural center of the west

**The Citizens National Bank of Northwood,**

25

**H B Springen, Cashier**

**954am**

# NIGHT LETTER

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THEO. N. VAIL, PRESIDENT

BELVIDERE BROOKS, GENERAL MANAGER

RECEIVED AT

1914 JAN 4 AM 2 19

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NORTHWOOD ND JAN 3 1914

SECRETARY WM G MCADOO

WASHN DC

WE THINK MINNEAPOLIS IS ENTITLED TO ONE OF THE REGIONAL RESERVE BANKS AS THE PRINCIPAL PART OF OUR BUSINESS OF BANKING FARM PRODUCTS AND FARM IMPLEMENTS CENTERS THERE WE REQUEST THAT YOU DESIGNATE THAT CITY AS A LOCATION FOR ONE OF THESE BANKS

FARMERS ELEV CO THOS PENDERGAST MANAGER

209AM

ANSWERED  
JAN 7 1914  
Am B  
LJ

Form L<sup>2</sup>

LARS ERICKSON, President

H. MATHISON, Vice-President

A. G. BYLIN, Sec'y-Treas.

# NORTON GRAIN AND MERCANTILE COMPANY

(INCORPORATED)

DIRECTORS:—C. L. JOHNSON J. T. GUSTAFSON G. H.  
GARNAAS A. M. JOHNSON

NORTON, N. D. Jan. 6th. 1914.

Secretary Wm. G. McAdoo,  
Washington, D. C.

Sir;

Being that Minneapolis is the trading center of the largest part of this Northwestern states and the natural flow of money from grain, farm machinery, lumber and other products we buy or sell, is from and to Minneapolis, Minn., we request that a Regional Bank be established there.

Respectfully, Norton Grain & Mercantile Co.,

By



Sec'y Treas. and Manager.

L-5  
LMM

# NIGHT LETTER.

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**THEO. N. VAIL, PRESIDENT**

**BELVIDERE BROOKS, GENERAL MANAGER**

**RECEIVED AT**  
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NORWICH ND JAN 4 1914

W G MCADOO

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SECTY OF TREASURY WASHN DC

MINNEAPOLIS OUR CHOICE FOR REGIONAL BANK THIS DIVISION IT HANDLES  
THE BULK OF NORTHWEST BUSINESS

FIRST STATE BANK

835PM

ANSWERED  
JAN 4 1914  
D.H.K.  
15

Form L b

# NIGHT LETTER

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THEO. N. VAIL, PRESIDENT

BELVIDERE BROOKS, GENERAL MANAGER

RECEIVED AT 1067  
F63CH FB 30 NL 3 EXTRA

OAKES N D JANY 1 1914

HON WM G MCADOO

SECRETARY OF TREASURY WASHINGTON DC

BELIEVING IT WOULD SERVE THE FINANCIAL INTERESTS OF THE NORTHWEST  
TO THE VERY BEST ADVANTAGE WE EARNESTLY URGE THE LOCATION  
OF A REGIONAL RESERVE BANK AT MINNEAPOLIS

OAKES NATIONAL BANK

FIRST NATIONAL BANK

913PM

ANSWERED

JAN 1 1914  
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THEO. N. VAIL, PRESIDENT

BELVIDERE BROOKS, GENERAL MANAGER

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OBERON ND DEC 31 1913

THE SECRETARY OF THE TREASURY

WASHINGTON DC

OWING TO GRAIN AND JOBBING CENTER MINNEAPOLIS MOST ADVANTAGEOUS  
POINT IN NORTHWEST FOR REGIONAL BANK

BANK OF OBERON

BY S O BIDNE CASHIER

ANSWERED  
DEC 31 1913  
S. B. Brooks  
L. S.

957PM

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# NIGHT LETTER

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RECEIVED AT

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1914 JAN 4 AM 2 19

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OLMSTEAD ND JAN 3 1914

HON WM MCADOO

SECY WASHN DC

WOULD CONSIDER MINNEAPOLIS AS THE IDEAL PLACE FOR A RESERVE BANK FOR THIS DISTRICT

BANK OF OLMSTEAD F E FEE VICE PREST

207AM

ANSWERED  
JAN 3 1914  
CORNS  
L.S.

Form 12

# NIGHT LETTER

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**THEO. W. WALKER, PRESIDENT** **BELVIDERE BROOKS, GENERAL MANAGER**

RECEIVED AT

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SECY OF TREASURY

WASHINGTON DC

MINNEAPOLIS BEING THE COMMERCIAL CENTER FOR THE VAST TERRITORY  
COMPRISING THE NORTHWEST WHICH IS EXTENSIVELY ENGAGED IN AGRICULTURE  
GRAIN LUMBER STOCK RAISING WE BELIEVE THESE INTERESTS CAN BE BEST  
SERVED AND RESPECTFULLY URGE THAT A REGIONAL BANK BE ESTABLISHED IN  
THAT CITY

CITIZENS BANK OF OMEMEE

430AM

ANALYZED  
DEC 31 1914  
DLR  
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Form 25

# NIGHT LETTER

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THEO. N. VAIL, PRESIDENT

BELVIDERE BROOKS, GENERAL MANAGER

RECEIVED AT

1119

B27CH AN 48 NL

ORISKA ND JANY 2 1914

SECTY OF TREASURY

WASHINGTON DC

IT IS OUR DESIRE THAT A REGIONAL BANK BE LOCATED  
AT MINNEAPOLIS MINN THAT POINT BEING MORE CONVENIENT IN EVERY  
WAY FOR THE TRANSACTION OF OUR BUSINESS AS IT IS  
THE CENTER OF THE GRAIN LUMBER AND AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS IMPLEMENT  
AND OTHER BUSINESS FOR THIS GROUP OF STATES

STATE BANK OF ORISKA

945PM

900  
P-1914  
ANSWERED

Form LS

# WESTERN UNION DAY LETTER



THEO. N. VAIL, PRESIDENT

*Sample*

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7:30 CH 49 BLUE 4 BX

1914 JAN 1 PM 1 11

ORR. ND 1

SECRETARY OF THE TREASURY

WASHINGTON DC

WE URGE THAT YOU GIVE THE MATTER CAREFUL AND SERIOUS  
CONSIDERATION OF HAVING ONE OF THE REGIONAL BANKS LOCATED AT

MINNEAPOLIS MINN THIS IS THE GATEWAY TO THE NORTHWEST AND

THE PIVOT ON WHICH THIS COUNTRY TURNS FOR GRAIN LUMBER

PRODUCE IMPLEMENTS AND DISTRIBUTING CENTER

A H HAMMOND CASHIER BANK OF ORR.

*Handwritten notes and initials: "AHR" and "L5" with a checkmark.*

*Handwritten number: "109P"*

*Handwritten number "L5" inside a rectangular box.*

# NIGHT LETTER

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THEO. N. VAIL, PRESIDENT

BELVIDERE BROOKS, GENERAL MANAGER

RECEIVED AT  
C13CH WI 53 NL

1139

OSNABROCK ND JAN 6 1914

HON W G MCADOO

SECY OF TRESURY WASHN DC

TO SERVE THE INTERESTS OF THE GREAT NORTHWEST WE BELIEVE  
THAT MINNEAPOLIS WOULD BE THE PROPER SELECTION FOR A REGIONAL  
BANK AND REQUEST THAT YOU LOCATE SUCH A BANK THERE  
THAT CITY IS THE NATURAL CENTER FOR THE BANKING GRAIN  
AND LUMBER BUSINESS OF THIS TERRITORY AND THE DISTRIBUTING POINT  
FOR FARM IMPLEMENTS

FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF OSNABROCK ND

JAN 6 1914

647P

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Form 15

# NIGHT LETTER

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BELVIDERE BROOKS, GENERAL MANAGER

RECEIVED AT 52CH TR 52 NL 1120

OSNABROCK NO DAKOTA JAN 2 1914

SECY OF THE TREASURY

WASHN DC

IT IS OUR DESIRE THAT OUR FINANCIAL CENTER MINNEAPOLIS SHALL  
SECURE A REGIONAL RESERVE BANK THE GREAT CENTER OF GRAIN  
FLOUR LUMBER AGRICULTURAL IMPLEMENTS AND OTHER WHOLESALE ESTABLISHMENTS  
THE CURRENCY RESERVE CENTER FOR THE NORTHWEST LET A REGIONAL RESERVE  
BANK PLACED IN MINNEAPOLIS BE A BEGINNING ON THE NATIONS QUESTION  
AGRICULTURAL CREDITS

GREAT WESTERN BANK OF OSNABROCK

946PM

Form 23

**POSTAL TELEGRAPH-CABLE COMPANY**

**NIGHT LETTERGRAM**

THE POSTAL TELEGRAPH-CABLE COMPANY (INCORPORATED) TRANSMITS AND DELIVERS THE NIGHT LETTERGRAM SUBJECT TO THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS PRINTED ON THE BACK OF THIS PLAN.

REGISTERED AT [ ] DELIVERY NUMBER [ ]

**INDEPENDENT COMPETITIVE PROGRESSIVE**

B. 40 CH. MR. 39 N. L. Via Minneapolis, Minn.

Outham, N. D., Jan. 2-1914.

Secretary of Treasury,

Washington, D.C.

We desire to have reserve bank located in Minneapolis, Minn., as it would be more convenient in every way for the transaction of our business as it is the center of grain lumber produce agricultural implements and other business.

Southam State Bank.

**ANSWERED**

5 1914

J

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1147 p.m.

Form *LS*

RECEIVED  
OFFICE OF PRIVATE SECURITIES  
JAN 10 1914

# POSTAL TELEGRAPH - COMMERCIAL CABLES

CLARENCE H. MACKAY, PRESIDENT.

RECEIVED AT  
POSTAL TELEGRAPH BUILDING  
1345 PENNSYLVANIA AVENUE  
WASHINGTON, D. C.  
TELEPHONE: MAIN 6600

# TELEGRAM

DELIVERY No.

The Postal Telegraph-Cable Company (Incorporated) transmits and delivers this message subject to the terms and conditions printed on the back of this blank.

16W-7131

DESIGN PATENT No. 40529

155-ch hf 46 Via Minneapolis

Overly ND Jan 5-14

Hon W G McAdoo,

Secy Of Treasy Washington DC

Form 45  
364

We emphatically urge that a regional reserve bank be located in Minneapolis Minn the immense volume of north western business in banking grain lumber and flour centers in Minneapolis and it is also the chief terminal market for our farm implements and all commodities used here.

Farmers & Merchants Bank.

608p

# WESTERN UNION DAY LETTER



THEO. N. VAIL, PRESIDENT

RECEIVED AT

B23CH GU 29 BLUE 2 EXTRA 422

1914 JAN 8 PM 1 58

MINNEAPOLIS MINN JAN 8 1914

SECY WM G MCAJDOO

WASHINGTON DC

BECAUSE THE NATURAL FLOW OF MONEY FROM GRAIN FARM MACHINERY  
LUMBER ETC IS FROM AND TO MINNEAPOLIS MINN WE REQUEST  
THAT A REGIONAL BANK BE ESTABLISHED THERE

FARMERS ELEV CO,

OVERLY ND

153P

# NIGHT LETTER

## THE WESTERN UNION TELEGRAPH COMPANY

25,000 OFFICES IN AMERICA INCORPORATED CABLE SERVICE TO ALL THE WORLD

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THEO. N. VAIL, PRESIDENT

BELVIDERE BROOKS, GENERAL MANAGER

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HON W G MCADOO

SECY OF TREASURY WASHINGTON DC

BECAUSE THE NATURAL FLOW OF MONEY FROM GRAIN FARM MACHINERY  
LUMBER AND ETC IS FROM AND TO MINNEAPOLIS MINN WE  
REQUEST THAT A REGIONAL RESERVE BANK BE ESTABLISHED THERE

FARMERS STATE BANK OF PAGE

1112AM JAN 6TH-1914

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Treasury Department

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TELEGRAM

*P*

PARK RIVER N D Jan 2 1914

Hon William McAdoo, Secretary Treasury,

Washington, D.C.

This bank earnestly desires the location of a regional bank at Minneapolis, Minn, for the reason that it would be much more convenient for us in every way for transaction of our business. Minneapolis is the center of the northwestern grain producing states and the distributing center for agricultural implements

Bank of Park River

248pm

*AS*

# NIGHT LETTER

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PARK RIVER N D JAN 5 1914

SECY MCADOO

TREASURY WASHINGTON DC

BEING IN THE GRAIN AND COAL BUSINESS AT THIS POINT

AND DOING OUR BANKING BUSINESS WITH MINNEAPOLIS WE REQUEST THAT YOU

DESIGNATE THAT CITY FOR ONE OF THE REGIONAL RESERVE BANKS

FARMERS ELEVATOR OF PARK RIVER ND

1143PM

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BELVIDERE BROOKS, GENERAL MANAGER

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PARK RIVER ND JAN 3- 1914

W G MCADOC

WASHINGTON DC

WITH REFERENCE TO LOCATION OF REGIONAL BANK IN OUR DISTRICT  
WE WISH TO RESPECTFULLY EXPRESS OUR PREFERENCE FOR MINNEAPOLIS MINN  
WE WILL AT ONCE MAKE APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP

FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF PARKRIVER

BY KARL J FARUP

425AM

ANSWERED  
JAN 6 1914  
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# WESTERN UNION



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THEO. N. VAIL, PRESIDENT

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PEKIN N D JAN 1 1914

SECRETARY OF THE TREASURY

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THE BANK OF PEKIN WISHES TO RECOMMEND ESTABLISHMENT OF A  
RESERVE BANK IN MINNEAPOLIS THE CENTER OF MARKETING THE CROPS  
OF THE NORTHWEST

BANK OF PEKIN

518 P.M.

ANSWERED  
JAN 1 1914  
*[Signature]*

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BELVIDERE BROOKS, GENERAL MANAGER

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PEMBINA ND JAN 2 14

SECY OF TREASURY

WASHN DC

MINNEAPOLIS BEING MORE CONVENIENT IN EVERY WAY FOR TRANSACTION OF OUR BUSINESS AND BEING CENTER OF THE GRAIN LUMBER AGRICULTURAL IMPLEMENT AND OTHER COMMERCIAL BUSINESS OF NORTHWEST IT IS OUR DESIRE TO SEE REGIONAL BANK LOCATED IN THAT CITY

MERCHANTS BANK OF PEMBINA PER J M WILKINS CASHR

1230A

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# NIGHT LETTER

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BELVIDERE BROOKS, GENERAL MANAGER

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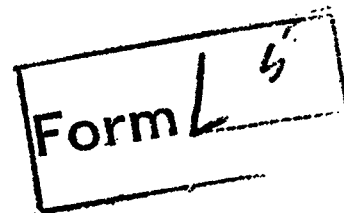
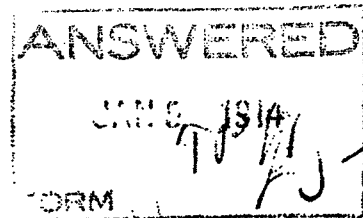
WASHINGTON DC

WE DESIRE THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A FEDERAL RESERVE BANK IN  
MINNEAPOLIS THE LOCATION OF THIS CITY TO OUR STATE IOWA  
MINNESOTA SOUTHDAKOTA AND MONTANA MAKES <sup>IT</sup> THE LOGICAL CENTER FOR SUCH  
AN INSTITUTION AND WE RESPECTFULLY ASK THAT YOU USE YOUR  
INFLUENCE WITH THE FEDERAL RESERVE BOARD IN SECURING FOR THAT  
CITY ONE OF THE RSERVE BANKS

PENN STATE BANK

BY H.L.KLYVER CASHIER

1222AM



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BELVIDERE BROOKS, GENERAL MANAGER

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PERTH N D JAN 6 1914

HON W G MCADOO

SECY TREASURY WASHN DC

IF IT IS THE INTENTION OF YOUR ORGANIZATION COMMITTEE TO  
ESTABLISH A REGIONAL BANK IN THE NORTHWEST CONVENIENT IF THIS  
BANK COULD BE ESTABLISHED IN MINNEAPOLIS

BANK OF PERTH.

M N GERGEN CASHIER

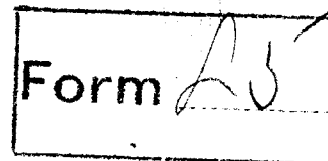
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ANSWERED  
JAN 7 1914  
FORM 25 R. N.

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Treasury Department

TELEGRAM



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PERTH N D Jan 2 1914

Secretary of the Treasury,

Washington, D.C.

Minneapolis being our vantage point metropolis of this section center of great and varied industries most convenient for all North Dakota, we shall be pleased to hear you have designated that city for a regional bank.

Towner County bank,  
J W Brummett, Cashier

ANSWERED  
JAN 2 1914  
FORM 23  
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234pm

# WESTERN UNION DAY LETTER



THEO. N. VAIL, PRESIDENT

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MINNEAPOLIS MINN JAN 8 1914

SECY WM G MCADOO

WASHINGTON DC

BECAUSE THE NATURAL FLOW OF MONEY FROM GRAIN FARM MACHINERY  
LUMBER ETC IS FROM AND TO MINNEAPOLIS MINN WE REQUEST  
THAT A REGIONAL BANK BE ESTABLISHED THERE

FARMERS ELEV CO

PETERSBURG ND

154P

*Handwritten initials: FAS*

ANSWERED  
JAN 8 1914  
FORM

**Treasury Department**

**TELEGRAM**

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PETERSBURG N D Jan 2 1914

Secretary of Treasury,

Washington, D.C.

We ask that you give Minneapolis a favorable consideration for the establishing of a regular reserve bank, believing it would be of great benefit for this part of the country, Minneapolis being the commercial center of the northwest.

Farmers State bank, J O Engsather, Cashier.

Bank of Petersburg, P E Johnson, Vice President

1208pm

ANSWERED  
3 19 1914  
D.V.

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THEO. N. VAIL, PRESIDENT

BELVIDERE BROOKS, GENERAL MANAGER

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HON W G MCADOO

WASHINGTON DC

THIS BANK WOULD FAVOR AND URGE YOUR CREATING A RESERVE DISTRICT INCLUDING THE TERRITORY BEING THE MISSISSIPPI RIVER AND PUGET SOUND WITH MINNEAPOLIS MINN AS REGIONAL RESERVE CITY

PINGREE STATE BANK

1010PM

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THEO. N. VAIL, PRESIDENT

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SECRETARY OF THE TREASURY

WASHINGTON DC

IN THE LOCATION OF THE NORTHWESTERN RESERVE BANK WE ASK THAT

MINNEAPOLIS BE GIVEN PREFERENCE

PISEK STATE BANK

BY C. J. MCKEAN CASHIER.

*8376*

ANSWERED  
DEC 31 1914

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# POSTAL TELEGRAPH - COMMERCIAL CABLES

CLARENCE H. MACKAY, PRESIDENT.

RECEIVED AT  
POSTAL TELEGRAPH BUILDING  
1345 PENNSYLVANIA AVENUE  
WASHINGTON, D. C.  
TELEPHONE: MAIN 6600

# TELEGRAM

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Plaza, N. D., Jan. 2-14.

Secy. of Treasury, . . .

Washington, D.C.

We desire that a central bank be located at Minneapolis, Minn.

Our banking, the lumber grain and agricultural implement business in this town is practically all done through Minneapolis.

Pioneer State Bank,

426p.

O. C. Dosseth, Cashier.

ANSWERED  
JAN 13 1914  
FORM 75

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BELVIDERE BROOKS, GENERAL MANAGER

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PLEASANT LAKE ND 3141

1914 JAN 1 AM 9 39

THE SECRETARY OF THE TREASURY

WASHINGTON DC

WE CONSIDER MINNEAPOLIS MOST ADVANTAGEOUS POINT IN NORTHWEST FOR LOCATION ONE OF REGIONAL BANKS OWING TO ITS CLOSENESS IN TOUCH WITH THIS SECTION

BANK OF PLEASANTLAKE

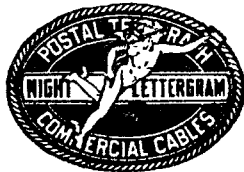
BY A E MORTON

CASHIER

ANSWERED  
JAN 3 1914  
FORM

POSTAL TELEGRAPH-CABLE COMPANY

NIGHT LETTERGRAM



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DELIVERY NUMBER

INDEPENDENT COMPETITIVE PROGRESSIVE

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Portal N.D. Jan 5, 13

Secretary of the Treasury Washn D.C

516

relieving that Minneapolis Minnesota should have one of the reserve  
Banks we take this method of calling your attention to the fact  
that Minneapolis is the most central point in the United States in  
the handling of grain, lumber and agricultural implements, a reserve  
bank at Minneapolis will meet the requirements of a larger district  
and control a greater volume of business than any other middle  
west city.

ANSWERED  
JAN 13 1914  
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W. J. Gering, Cashier First Intl. Bank.,

Portal, N.D.

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**POSTAL TELEGRAPH-CABLE COMPANY**

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Postal ND Jan 1, 1914

Secretary of the Treasury

Washn., DC.

Owing to the greatness of Minneapolis as the produce market  
 for the Northwest as well as its lumber and implement  
 business we heartily urge and recommend that regular reserve bank  
 be established in that city

Postal State Bank

845am

ANSWER  
 1914  
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BELVIDERE BROOKS, GENERAL MANAGER

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RALEIGH ND JAN 5 1914

WM G MCADOO

SECY OF THE TREASURY WASHN DC

MINNEAPOLIS MINNESOTA BEING THE NATURAL MARKET FOR THE PRODUCTS  
OF THE ENTIRE NORTHWEST WE DESIRE TO SINCERELY REQUEST THAT YOU DESIGNATE  
THAT CITY AS THE LOCATION OF ONE OF THE REGIONAL RESERVE BANKS

FIRST SECURITY BANK

1248AM

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# WESTERN UNION DAY LETTER

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THEO. N. VAIL, PRESIDENT

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SECY OF THE TREASURY WASHN DC

UNDERSTANDING THAT THE INTENTION OF YOUR ORGANIZATION COMMITTEE IS TO ESTABLISH A REGIONAL BANK IN THE NORTHWEST WE WOULD APPRECIATE THAT MINNEAPOLIS BE CONSIDERED WHICH POINT IS NOT ONLY MOST PREFERABLE BUT ALSO MOST CONVENIENT

FARMERS BANK OF RAY

641 PM

Form *25*

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WHO

# FARMERS ELEVATOR COMPANY

A. H. Maides, Manager  
Hard, Soft and Lignite Coal

Ray, North Dakota,

JAN 9 1914

Hon W. G. McAdoo  
Washington D.C.

Form 63

Dear Sir:

ANSWERED  
JAN 12 1914

We would like to see Minneapolis get one of the Regional Reserve Banks as the principal part of our business center here and we believe the interest of this Northwest would be advanced in so doing.

Yours truly

A. H. Maides

Treasury Department

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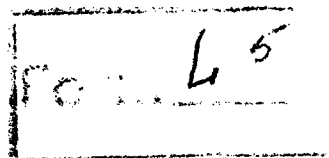
REEDER N D Jan 5 1914

W G McAdoo, Secretary Treasury,

Washington, D.C.

Because the natural flow of money from grain farm machinery, lumber is from Minneapolis, Minn, we request that a regional reserve bank be established there

Farmers and Merchants State bank



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*F. M. S.*



# First State Bank

CAPITAL AND SURPLUS \$22,000.00

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January 5, 1914.

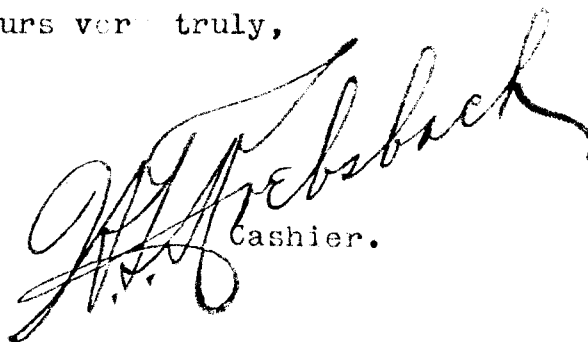
J. H. WISHEK, PRESIDENT  
M. KREBSBACH, VICE PRES.  
W. T. KREBSBACH, CASHIER  
CHAS. LAMPLAND, ASST. CASHIER

Hon. W.G. McAdoo,  
Sec. of Treasury,  
Washington, D.C.

Dear Sir:--

Minneapolis, Minn. is the Gate City for the West and NorthWest, All of our business interests are centered there. We request that you designate that city as a location of one of there banks.

Yours very truly,

  
Cashier.

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**RECEIVED AT**

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HON W G MC-ADOO

SEC OF THE TREASURY WASHINGTON DC

WE FAVOR THE LOCATION OF A FEDERAL RESERVE BANK AT MINNEAPOLIS

MINN ON ACCOUNT OF ITS IMPORTANCE IN THE BUSINESS OF THE

GREAT NORTHWEST

REGAN STATE BANK

1143P

Form *AS*

Treasury Department

TELEGRAM

4WU MO 41 NL

P.

REYNOLDS N D Jan 1 1914

Hon W G McAdoo, Secretary Treasury,

Washington, D.C.

We beg to state that it is our sincere desire to have Minneapolis Minn, named one of the regional reserve cities of this district for reasons too numerous to mention here. Hoping you may give this favorable consideration we thank you.



The Farmers State Bank of Reynolds

957am

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BELVIDERE BROOKS, GENERAL MANAGER

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RICHARDTON NDAK JAN 1 1914

HON W G MCADOO

SECY OF THE TREASURY WASHINGTON DC

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WE ARE STRONGLY IN FAVOR CONSIDERING IT FOR OUR BEST INTEREST TO HAVE MINNEAPOLIS SELECTED AS A REGIONAL RESERVE CITY

CROP MOVEMENTS FOR THIS TERRITORY ARE FINANCED BY MINNEAPOLIS BANKS THE LARGEST PART OF OUR FARM PRODUCTS ARE MARKETED IN

MINNEAPOLIS NEARLY ALL THE LUMBER IMPLEMENTS AND WHOLESALE HOUSES FOR SUPPLIES CONSUMED HERE HAVE THEIR HEADQUARTERS IN MINNEAPOLIS MOST ALL

FARM LOANS OF THIS TERRITORY ARE NEGOTIATED THROUGH MINNEAPOLIS FIRMS ALL COUNTRY BANKS IN THIS VICINITY KEEP ACTIVE ACCOUNTS WITH

MINNEAPOLIS BANKS

MERCHANTS STATE BANK  
RICHARDTON ND BY JOHN NUGGLI CASHIER

135 AM

Treasury Department

TELEGRAM

5WU MO 38NL

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ROCKLAKE N D Jan 1 1913

Secretary of Treasury,

Washington, D.C.

We are very anxious to have a regional reserve bank located in Minneapolis, Minn, as it is much more convenient in every way for us to transact our business as it is our grain, livestock and produce market

*AS*

First National Bank of Rock Lake

959am

# WESTERN UNION TELEGRAM



THEO. N. VAIL, PRESIDENT

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ROGERS ND JAN 1 1914

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SECRETARY OF THE TREASURY

WASHINGTON DC

WE ENDORSE THE LOCATION OF A REGIONAL BANK IN MINNEAPOLIS  
BEING THE PRINCIPAL CITY AND THE HUB OF THE NORTHWEST  
FOR THE TRANSACTION OF BANKING GRAIN MILLING LUMBER AGRICULTURAL  
IMPLEMENTS AND OTHER BUSINESS

FIRST STATE BANK OF ROGERS

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# WESTERN UNION



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# TELEGRAM

THEO N. VAIL, PRESIDENT

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SECRETARY OF THE TREASURY

WASHN DC

Form 25

WE STRONGLY FAVOR REGIONAL BANK AT MINNEAPOLIS ON ACCOUNT BUSINESS ASSOCIATIONS AND CONVENIENCE

FARMERS AND MERCHANTS BANK

516P

ANSWERED  
JAN 2 1914  
FORM

# WESTERN UNION



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# TELEGRAM

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SECRETARY OF THE TREASURY

WASHN DC

WE RECOMMEND MINNEAPOLIS FOR FEDERAL RESERVE BANK FOR THIS DISTRICT

FIRST NATIONAL BANK

ANSWERED  
JAN 2 1914  
649 PM  
FORM

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# NIGHT LETTER

## THE WESTERN UNION TELEGRAPH COMPANY

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BELVIDERE BROOKS, GENERAL MANAGER

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HON W G MCADOO

SECRETARY OF THE TREASURY

WASHINGTON DC

SHOULD YOUR ORGANIZATION COMMITTEE DECIDE TO ESTABLISH A REGIONAL BANK IN THE NORTH-WEST WE WOULD APPRECIATE IT VERY MUCH IF SAME COULD BE ESTABLISHED IN MINNEAPOLIS AS IT WOULD BE MUCH MORE CONVENIENT FOR THIS DISTRICT IN GENERAL

F J MEUWISSEN

CASHIER STATE BANK OF ROLLA

1017PM

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RUGBY ND JAN 2 14

THE HON WM G MCADOO

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SECY OF THE TREASURY WASHN DC

WE EMPHATICALLY URGE THAT A REGIONAL RESERVE BANK BE LOCATED  
IN MINNEAPOLIS MINN THE IMMENSE VOLUME OF NORTHWESTERN BUSINESS IN  
GRAIN LUMBER AND FLOUR CENTERS IN MINNEAPOLIS MINNEAPOLIS IS THE  
CHIEF TERMINAL MARKET FOR OUR FARM IMPLEMENTS AND ALL COMMODITIES  
USED HERE

MERCHANTS BANK OF RUGBY

1232A

Form *AS*

Treasury Department

TELEGRAM

104WU MO 32 Blue

RUTLAND N D Jan 2 1914

Form *LS*

Hon Secretary U S Treasury

Washington D C

We desire to have regional bank located at Minneapolis for greatest convenience in every way for transfer of our business it being the center of lumber industry agricultural implements and farm products

First State Bank

**ANSWERED**  
JAN 3 1914  
416  
FORM

POSTAL TELEGRAPH-CABLE COMPANY

NIGHT LETTERGRAM



THE POSTAL TELEGRAPH-CABLE COMPANY (INCORPORATED) TRANSMITS AND DELIVERS THIS NIGHT LETTERGRAM SUBJECT TO THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS PRINTED ON THE BACK OF THIS BLANK. CLARENCE MCKAY, PRESIDENT.

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*Ryder  
M.D.*

Order ND Jan 7-14

Secy of Treasury

WASHN DC

In case of regional bank is located in this part of the northwest, put us down as favoring Minneapolis where the greater part of our agricultural business done and where our present affiliations are .

*Port 6*

First State Bank, Ryder ND

H.C. Miller Cashr, First Natl Bank  
Ryder ND, G.H. Christiansen Cashr

ANSWERED  
JAN 1914  
*Tom L*

120a

Treasury Department

TELEGRAM

46WU MO 48 4 ex Blue

ST. JOHN N D Jan 12 1914

Hon W G McAdoo,  
Washington, D. C.

We request that a regional reserve bank be established in Minneapolis for the reason that it is the logical and most convenient point for the transaction of our western business. All our exchange from grain, lumber, agricultural implements and other products is centralized there

E J Clifford, Cashier,

Rolette County Bank JAN 13 1914

Form LS

ANSWERED  
FORM 2pm  
*LS*

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BELVIDERE BROOKS, GENERAL MANAGER

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STTHOMAS NORTH DAKOTA JAN 7 1914

HON W G MCADOO

WASHN DC

WE THINK MINNEAPOLIS IS ENTITLED TO ONE OF THE REGIONAL RESERVE BANKS AS THE PRINCIPAL PART OF OUR BUSINESS OF BANKING FARMS PRODUCE AND FARM IMPLEMENTS CENTER THERE WE REQUEST THAT YOU DESIGNATE THAT CITY AS A LOCATION OF ONE OF THESE BANKS

FARMERS STATE BANK

ANSWERED  
JAN 8 1914  
FORM 2/3

1115PM

Form L 5

Treasury Department

TELEGRAM

Form 25

95WU MO 51 Govt

SANBORN N D Jan 2 1913

Secretary of Treasury,

Washington, D.C.

It is our desire to have regional bank located in Minneapolis as being more convenient in every way for the transaction of our business as it is the center of the grain, lumber, produce agricultural implements and other business

First National Bank  
By Louis Malm, Cashier

354pm

ANSWERED  
Jan 3 1914  
R J -  
FORM

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BELVIDERE BROOKS, GENERAL MANAGER

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SARLES N D JAN 6 1914

1914 JAN 7 AM 11 11

G W MCADOO

SECY TREASY WASHINGTON DC

WE WOULD LIKE VERY MUCH TO SEE A REGIONAL RESERVE

BANK ESTABLISHED IN MINNEAPOLIS

FARMERS AND MERCHANTS BANK

JAN 7 1107AM

Form 14

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HON W G MCADOO

SECY TREASURY WASHN DC

CITY OF MINNEAPOLIS WOULD BE THE MOST SUITABLE AND CONVENIENT PLACE FOR REGIONAL RESERVE BANK FOR BOTH GENERAL AND BANKING BUSINESS OF OUR PEOPLE

STATE BANK SARLES

1257AM

207

Secretary Wm. G. McAdoo,  
Washington, D. C.,

OR

*Jan 6, 1914*

“We think Minneapolis is entitled to one of the Regional Reserve Banks as the principal part of our business of Banking, Farm Products and Farm Implements centers there. We request that you designate that City as a location for one of these banks.”

FARMERS' ELEVATOR CO.

of *Sauyer, Minn*

Yours very truly

# WESTERN UNION

OFFICE OF SECRETARY  
TO SECRETARY OF THE TREASURY

# DAY LETTER

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SCHAFFER ND JAN 6TH 1914

HON W G MCADOO

SECY THE TREASURY WASHINGTON DC

IF IT IS THE INTENTION OF YOUR ORGANIZATION COMMITTEE TO  
ESTABLISH A REGIONAL BANK IN THE NORTHWEST WE WOULD APPRECIATE  
IT AND FIND IT A GREAT DEAL MORE CONVENIENT IF  
THIS BANK COULD BE ESTABLISHED IN MINNEAPOLIS

OTTO P HOFF

CASHIER FARMERS STATE BANK SCHAFFER ND

113P

ANSWERED  
JAN 7 1914  
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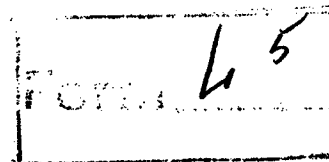
HON WM G MCADOO

SECY OF TREASURY WASHN DC

IN AS MUCH AS MINNEAPOLIS IS THE NATURAL MARKET FOR  
THE PRODUCTS OF THE NORTHWEST AND ITS BANKING CENTER IT  
IS OUR DESIRE THAT MINNEAPOLIS BE DESIGNATED BY YOUR COMMITTEE  
AS THE LOCATION OF ONE OF THE REGIONAL RESERVE BANKS

THE BANK OF SCRANTON

1147PM



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BELVIDERE BROOKS, GENERAL MANAGER

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SCRANTON ND JAN 4 1914

HON WM G MCADOO

SECY OF TREASURY WASHINGTON DC

WE EMPHATICALLY URGE THAT A REGIONAL RESERVE BANK BE LOCATED IN MINNEAPOLIS MINNESOTA THE IMMENSE VOLUME OF NORTHWESTERN BUSINESS IN GRAIN LUMBER AND FLOUR CENTERS IN MINNEAPOLIS MINNEAPOLIS IS THE CHIEF TERMINAL MARKET FOR OUR FARM IMPLEMENTS AND ALL COMMODITIES USED HERE

FIRST NATIONAL BANK

203AM

ANSWERED  
C. 1914  
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JAN 4 1914  
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Form 4

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SENTINEL BUTTE N D JAN 5 1914

HON W G MCADOO

SECRETARY OF TREASURY WASHINGTON DC

BECAUSE THE NATURAL FLOW OF MONEY FROM GRAIN FARM MACHINERY  
LUMBER ETC IS FROM AND TO MINNEAPOLIS MINN WE REQUEST  
THAT A REGIONAL RESERVE BANK BE ESTABLISHED THERE

SENTINEL BUTTE STATE BANK

116AM

Form *LS*

# NIGHT LETTER

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**BELVIDERE BROOKS, GENERAL MANAGER**

**RECEIVED AT**

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1340

SHARON ND JAN 5TH 1913

HON W G MCADOO

SECY TREASURY WASHINGTON DC

BECAUSE THE NATURAL FLOW OF MONEY FROM GRAIN FARM MACHINERY

LUMBER ETC IS FROM AND TO MINNEAPOLIS MINN WE REQUEST

THAT A REGIONAL RESERVE BANK BE ESTABLISHED THERE

CITIZENS STATE BANK

1040PM

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# NIGHT LETTER

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W G MCADOO

WASHN DC

BECAUSE IT IS THE CENTER OF THE AGRICULTURAL LUMBER IMPLEMENT AND BANKING BUSINESS OF THE NORTHWEST WE BELIEVE THAT MINNEAPOLIS IS ENTITLED TO ONE OF THE REGIONAL RESERVE BANKS AND TRUST YOU WILL GIVE THE CLAIMS ON THAT CITY YOUR FAVORABLE CONSIDERATION

ANSWERED FIRST NATL BANK

12M

*JAN 5 1914*  
*[Handwritten initials]*

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SHELDON ND 2-3

W G MCADOO

SECY. OF TREASURY WASHINGTON DC

WE WOULD RESPECTFULLY RECOMMEND MINNEAPOLIS FOR THE LOCATION OF A REGIONAL BANK IT BEING THE CENTER OF THE GRAIN AGRICULTURAL IMPLEMENT AND OTHER BUSINESS FOR THIS PART OF THE NORTHWEST AND SO MOST CONVENIENT IN EVERYWAY FOR THE TRANSACTION OF OUR BUSINESS FARMERS STATE BANK OF SHELDON.

1914 JAN 3 PM 12 10

ANSWERED  
JAN 5 1914  
DLB  
LB

120 P.

Form 20

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SHERWOOD ND 2 JAN 1914

HON WM M MCADOO

SECY OF TREASURY WASHN D C

THE GREAT NORTHWEST LOOKS TO MINNEAPOLIS ITS BANKING CENTER AS  
THE LOGICAL CLEARING-HOUSE FOR THE MAJOR PORTION OF ITS  
NATURAL PRODUCTS AND THE MARKET IN WHICH TO PURCHASE ITS  
MANUFACTURED PRODUCTS WE THEREFORE RESPECTFULLY URGE THAT MINNEAPOLIS  
BE NAMED AS REGIONAL RESERVE CITY

FIRST NATIONAL BANK

1035AM JAN 3

Form 23

H. C. DARROCH, P      IDENT

A. A. TANE, MANAGER

**SHERWOOD FARMERS' ELEVATOR CO.**  
**GRAIN, FUEL, FLOUR, FEED AND FIELD SEEDS**

△ \_\_\_\_\_ △  
SHERWOOD, NORTH DAKOTA

Jan 7th, 1914.

Sec W.G.Mc Adoo.

Washington, D.C.

My Dear Sir:-

As a great deal of our Banking  
is with the Minneapolis Banks we feel that that City  
is entitled to one of the Regional Banks.

We request that this Bank be established there.

Yours very truly.

*A. A. Tane* Mgr.

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# WESTERN UNION TELEGRAM



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THEO N. VAIL, PRESIDENT

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HON W G MCADOO

SECY OF TREASURY

WASHINGTON D C

ANSWERED  
JAN 3 1914  
RW  
LJ

WE EARNESTLY SUPPORT APPLICATION OF MINNEAPOLIS FOR REGIONAL BANK IT

IS A CENTER FOR GRAIN LUMBER AND OTHER BUSINESS AND  
THE ADVANTAGES TO THE NORTHWEST AS A FINANCIAL CENTER CANNOT  
BE OVERESTIMATED AND IT IS THE MOST CONVENIENT POINT FOR  
THE TRANSACTION OF THE BUSINESS OF THIS BANK AND THE  
BANKS OF THE WHOLE NORTHWEST

FORM 25

FARMERS AND MERCHANTS BANK

504P

# WESTERN UNION



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# TELEGRAM

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FORM 25

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HON SECY OF THE TREASURY

WASHN DC

WE STRONGLY FAVOR MINNEAPOLIS FOR REGIONAL BANK ITS LOCATION AND  
ABILITY TO HANDLE THE BUSINESS OF THE NORTHWEST CANNOT BE  
QUESTIONED NO OTHER CITY IN THE NORTHWEST CAN COPE WITH  
THE ADVANTAGES SO PROMINENTLY SET FORTH

THE SECURITY BANK OF SHEYENNE

FOOTR LS

505P

Treasury Department

TELEGRAM

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Souris ND Jan 2 1913

secy of treasury

washn DC

We favor regional bank located in Minneapolis as more convenient  
in every way for transaction of our business

Mouseriver Valley Bank

105p

ANSWERED  
JAN 2 1914  
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BELVIDERE BROOKS, GENERAL MANAGER

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SOUTH HEART N D JAN 8 1914

HON W. G MCADDO

WASHINGTON DC

BECAUSE THE NATURAL FLOW OF MONEY FROM GRAIN FARM MACHINERY  
LUMBER ETC IS FROM AND TO MINNEAPOLIS WE REQUEST THAT  
THE REGIONAL BANK BE ESTABLISHED THERE

FIRST STATE BANK

837PM

RECEIVED

JAN 10 1914

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SPIRITWOOD NO-DAK DEC 31 1913

HON W G MCADOO

WASHINGTON DC

THIS BANK STRONGLY URGES THE NECESSITY REGIONAL RESERVE BANK FOR  
THE DISTRICT EMBRACED IN THE TERRITORY WEST FROM THE MISSISSIPPI  
RIVER TO PUGET SOUND MINNEAPOLIS IS THE MONEY CENTER OF  
THE WEST AND THE MOST LOGICAL CITY FOR LOCATION OF  
SAME WE URGE CONSIDERATION

SPIRITWOOD BANK

ANSWERED  
DEC 31 1913  
FORM

437AM

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RECEIVED AT

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STARKWEATHER ND JAN 1 1914

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SECY OF THE TREASURY

WASHN DC

WE ARE ANXIOUS AND DESIROUS THAT A REGIONAL BANK BE  
LOCATED IN MINNEAPOLIS AS IT IS THE CENTER OF THE  
GRAIN AND ALL OTHER PRODUCE LUMBER AGRICULTURAL IMPLEMENTS AND BUSINESS  
IN GENERAL OF THIS SECTION OF THE COUNTRY

T J DOUGHERTY

PREST FIRST NATL BANK STARKWEATHER

O M. LOFGREEN CASHIER STATE BANK OF

STARKWEATHER

1024PM

No 6397

T. J. DOUGHERTY, PRESIDENT  
HOMER RESLER, VICE PRES.  
CHAS. A. POTTER, CASHIER

# First National Bank

STARKWEATHER, N. DAK.

Jan, 1st, 1914

Hon. Secretary of the Treasury,  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:-

"We are anxious and desirous that a Regional Bank be located in Minneapolis, as it is the Center of the Grain, and all other produce, Lumber, Agricultural Implements and business in general, of this section of the country"

T. J. Dougherty, Pres't  
First Nat'l Bank Starkweather,  
O. M. Lofgren, Cashier,  
State Bank Starkweather,

The above is a copy of telegram sent you today, and we wish to take this means to verify same. With the passage of the new Currency bill, (which the writer has always been heartily in favor of) and a Regional Bank located in Minneapolis, the logical place, our fondest hopes will be attained. Give us this and watch prosperity in North Dakota.

Sincerely Yours,

*T. J. Dougherty*  
Pres't

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DAVID H. BEECHER, PRESIDE

F. H. WELLCOME, VICE PRES

O. M. LOFGREN, CASHIER

CAPITAL AND SURPLUS, \$ 12,000 00



REAL ESTATE, COLLECTIONS  
INSURANCE, FARM LOANS

STARKWEATHER, N.D. Jan. 2, 1914

Secretary of the Treasury,  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

We hereby confirm the night letter sent you yesterday jointly with the First National Bank of Starkweather.

"We are anxious and desirous that a Regional Reserve Bank be located in Minneapolis, as it is the center of the grain and all other produce, lumber, agricultural implements and business in general of this section of the country!"

Yours very truly,

ANSWERED  
1914  
F M M  
LS

O. M. Lofgren  
Cashier.

LS

# NIGHT LETTER

## THE WESTERN UNION TELEGRAPH COMPANY

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THEO. N. VAIL, PRESIDENT

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BELVIDERE BROOKS, GENERAL MANAGER

RECEIVED AT  
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1914 JAN 8 AM 1:11

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HON W G MCADOO

WASHN DC

THE NATURAL FLOW OF MONEY USED IN MOVEMENT OF FARM PRODUCTS  
AND EXPENDED FOR MANUFACTURED SUPPLIES BEING FROM AND TOWARD  
MINNEAPOLIS MINN. WE REQUEST THAT A REGIONAL RESERVE BANK BE ESTABLISHED  
IN THIS CENTER

FARMERS AND MERCHANTS STATE BANK

ANSWERED  
JAN 8 1914  
FORM *L5 L*

1209AM

Form *L5*

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BELVIDERE BROOKS, GENERAL MANAGER

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SECRETARY OF TREASURY

WASHINGTON DC

OUR BANK IS LOCATED IN AN AGRICULTURAL SECTION AND PRACTICALLY ALL OF OUR BUSINESS IS HANDLED THROUGH OUR MINNEAPOLIS CORRESPONDENT WE FEEL THAT THERE SHOULD BE A REGIONAL BANK LOCATED IN THE NORTHWEST AND WE WOULD PREFER TO HAVE IT IN MINNEAPOLIS

FIRST NATIONAL BANK

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ANSWERED  
JAN 5 1914  
25 / 6  
Form L 6

# THE WESTERN UNION TELEGRAPH COMP. NY

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BELVIDERE BROOKS, GENERAL MANAGER

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STRASSBURG ND JANY 2 1914

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SECTY OF THE TREASURY WASHINGTON DC

MINNEAPOLIS IS IN THE CENTRE OF THE GRAIN LUMBER PRODUCE  
AGRICULTURAL IMPLEMENTS AND OTHER BUSINESS FOR THIS ENTIRE NORTHWEST IT  
WOULD BE MORE CONVENIENT FOR THE TRANSACTION OF ALL OUR  
BUSINESS FOR THE ENTIRE NORTHWESTERN BANKERS IF A REGIONAL BANK  
WERE LOCATED IN MINNEAPOLIS AND WE THEREFORE BEG THAT YOU  
CONSIDER THIS IN MAKING YOUR SELECTIONS

SECURITY STATE BANK

Form 15

STRASSBURG ND BY JNO J BAUMMARTENE

PRESIDENT

735PM

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THEO. N. VAIL, PRESIDENT

BELVIDERE BROOKS, GENERAL MANAGER

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WASHINGTON DC

MINNEAPOLIS THE METROPOLIS AND BANKING CENTER OF THE VAST AND RESOURCEFUL NORTHWEST AND BERETOF0RE CHEERFULLY RESPONDED PROMPTLY IN RENDERING FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE TO ALL LEGITIMATE ENTERPRISES WITHIN ITS TERRITORY THEREFORE TRUST THAT YOU WILL CONSIDER THIS LOCATION FAVORABLY IN SELECTING AND DESIGNATING YOUR FEDERAL RESERVE CITIES UNDER THE NEW LAW

ANSWERED  
JAN 6 1914  
FORM

FIRST STATE BANK OF STREETER

Form L 5  
722AM

# NIGHT LETTER

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THEO. N. VAIL, PRESIDENT

BELVIDERE BROOKS, GENERAL MANAGER

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SECRETARY OF THE TREASURY

WASHINGTON D C

WE PREFER THE LOCATION OF A REGIONAL RESERVE BANK AT MINNEAPOLIS FOR THE REASON IT IS MORE CONVENIENT IN EVERY WAY FOR THE TRANSACTION OF OUR BUSINESS IT IS THE CENTER OF THE GRAIN LUMBER PRODUCE AGRICULTURE IMPLEMENTS AND OTHER BUSINESS

FIRST STATE BANK

1030AM JAN 4

Form 23

Treasury Department

TELEGRAM

107WU MO 43 6 ex

TAGUS N D Jan 2 1913

Secretary of the Treasury

Washington, D. C.

Minneapolis being the center of the grain lumber produce and implement manufacturing and the only point accessible to the banks in Northwest we desire that this city be designated as a point for a regional reserve bank

Blaisdell State Bank,  
O R Powell, Cashier, Blaisdell, M. D.

425pm

ANSWERED  
JAN 2 1913  
FORM

Treasury Department

TELEGRAM

98WU MO 31 4 ex

TAGUS N D Jan 2 1913

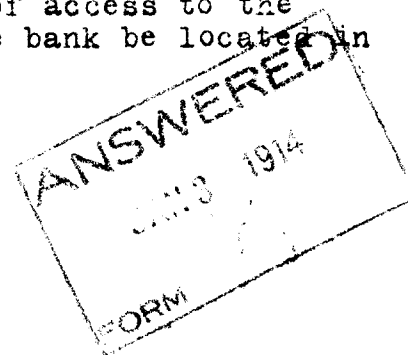
Secretary of the Treasury

Washington, D.C.

Owing to the location of Minneapolis as a point of access to the whole northwest we desire that a regional reserve bank be located in this city

Tagus State Bank,  
W G Bruggman, President

4pm



# WESTERN UNION DAY LETTER



THEO. N. VAIL, PRESIDENT

RECEIVED AT

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TAPPEN N D JAN 2 1914

SECY OF TREASURY

WASHN DC

1914 JAN 2 PM 7 25

*Handwritten notes and initials, possibly 'DPR'.*

IT IS OUR DESIRE TO HAVE THE REGIONAL BANK LOCATED  
IN MINNEAPOLIS MINN BEING LOCATED CONVENIENTLY IN THE WAY OF  
THE TRANSACTION OF OUR BUSINESS AS IT IS THE CENTER  
OF THE GRAIN LUMBER PRODUCE AGRICULTURAL IMPLEMENTS AND OTHER BUSINESS  
WHICH WE COME IN CONTACT WITH

TAPPEN STATE BANK

.720PM

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THEO. N. VAIL, PRESIDENT

BELVIDERE BROOKS, GENERAL MANAGER

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TAYLOR ND JAN 3 1914

GEO MCADOO

WASHINGTON DC

WE SHALL BE PLEASED TO KNOW THAT MINNEAPOLIS HAS BEEN  
SELECTED AS A REGIONAL BANK CITY AS IT IS BY  
FAR MORE CONVENIENT IN EVERY WAY FOR THE TRANSACTION OF  
OUR BUSINESS AS IT IS THE CENTER OF THE GRAIN

LUMBER PRODUCE AGRICULTURAL IMPLEMENTS AND OTHER BUSINESS OF THE

SOLE NORTHWEST

ANSWERED

THE TAYLOR STATE BANK OF TAYLOR ND

JAN 3

1914

SLAUGHE CASHIER FARMERS AND MERCHANTS STATE BANK

FORM

TAYLOR ND J M MOES VICE PREST 314AM

Form 4-5

ANSWERED  
JAN 3 1914  
Moes

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THEO. N. VAIL, PRESIDENT

BELVIDERE BROOKS, GENERAL MANAGER

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TAYLOR ND JAN 11 1914

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W G MCADOO

SECY OF THE TREASURY WASHINGTON DC

IF IT IS THE INTENTION OF YOUR ORGANIZATION COMMITTEE TO  
ESTABLISH A REGIONAL BANK IN THE NORTHWEST WE WOULD APPRECIATE IT  
IF YOU COULD ESTABLISH SAME IN MINNEAPOLIS

FARMERS STATE BANK HALLIDAY ND, C S BARROWS  
CASHIER

ANSWERED  
JAN 12 1914  
*LB*  
FORM

6PM

# NIGHT LETTER

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**THEO. N. VAIL, PRESIDENT**

**BELVIDERE BROOKS, GENERAL MANAGER**

**RECEIVED AT** 91 1914 JAN 3 AM 10 41  
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THOMPSON NORTH DAK 2 JAN 1914

SECRETARY OF THE TREASURY

WASHINGTON D C

IT IS THE EARNEST DESIRE OF THIS COMMUNITY THAT A  
REGIONAL BANK BE LOCATED IN THE CITY OF MINNEAPOLIS MINNESOTA  
THE CHIEF MARKET PLACE OF THIS SECTION OF THE COUNTRY

BANK OF THOMPSON

GEORGE B KEENAN VICE PREST

1040 AM

Form 23

# NIGHT LETTER

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THEO. N. VAIL, PRESIDENT

BELVIDERE BROOKS, GENERAL MANAGER

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RECEIVED AT  
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THORNE N D JAN 6 1914

HON W G MCADOO

WASHN DC

WE RESPECTFULLY URGE THAT A REGIONAL RESERVE BANK BE LOCATED  
IN MINNEAPOLIS MINNESOTA IS THE LOGICAL LOCATION IN THE NORTHWEST  
FOR A RESERVE BANK AS THIS CITY HANDLES NINE TENTHS  
OF BANKING AND COMMERCIAL BUSINESS OF THIS TERRITORY

FARMERS AND  
MERCHANTS STATE

BANK

1114PM

ANSWERED  
JAN 7 1914  
L. K.  
R. S.

Form 5

# NIGHT LETTER

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THEO. N. VAIL, PRESIDENT

BELVIDERE BROOKS, GENERAL MANAGER

RECEIVED AT  
F122H TN 36 NL 4 EXTRA

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TIOGA NO DAK JAN 13 1914

HON W G MCADOO

SECY TREASURY WASHINGTON DC

Form *LS*

OWING TO THE VOLUME OF BUSINESS IN GRAIN LUMBER FARM

MACHINERY AND STAPLES TRANSACTED FOR THE NORTHWEST THROUGH AND IN

MINNEAPOLIS MINN WE TRUST A REGIONAL RESERVE BANK MAY

BE ESTABLISHED THERE

FARMERS AND MERCHANTS BANK

ANSWERED BY FRANK CUTLER CASHIER

JAN 15 1914  
*[Handwritten initials]*

1010PM

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THEO. N. VAIL, PRESIDENT

BELVIDERE BROOKS, GENERAL MANAGER

RECEIVED AT C1050H WH 43 N L TIOGA ND JAN 3 1914

1203

HON WM M MCADOO  
WASHINGTON DC

WE EMPHATICALLY URGE THAT A REGIONAL RESERVE BANK BE LOCATED  
IN MINNEAPOLIS MINN THE IMMENSE VOLUME OF NORTHWESTERN BUSINESS IN  
GRAIN LUMBER AND FLOUR CENTERS IN MINNEAPOLIS MINN. MINNEAPOLIS IS  
THE CHIEF TERMINAL MARKET FOR OUR FARM IMPLEMENTS AND ALL  
COMMODITIES USED HERE

TIOGA STATE BANK

316AM

ANSWERED

JAN 3 1914  
RJS

Form 45

Treasury Department

TELEGRAM

11PO MO 16 via Minneapolis

TOLLEY N D Jan 5 1914

Wm G McAdoo, Secretary of Treasury,

Washington D C

Minneapolis, Minn, our choice for reserve bank. It is the banking center for the entire northwest

First National Bank

*Henry*

1147am

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# POSTAL TELEGRAPH - COMMERCIAL CABLES

CLARENCE H. MACKAY, PRESIDENT.

RECEIVED AT  
POSTAL TELEGRAPH BUILDING  
1345 PENNSYLVANIA AVENUE  
WASHINGTON, D. C.  
TELEPHONE: MAIN 8600

# TELEGRAM

DELIVERY No.

The Postal Telegraph-Cable Company (Incorporated) transmits and delivers this message subject to the terms and conditions printed on the back of this blank.

16W-7131

DESIGN PATENT No. 40529

144-ch hf 9 Via Minneapolis

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Tolley ND Jan 14-14

W G McAdoo,

washington DC

Minneapolis is our choice for location of regional bank.

Tolley State Bank.

535p

Form 65

# WESTERN UNION NIGHT TELEGRAM



THEO. N. VAIL, PRESIDENT

RECEIVED AT  
F55CH BU 14 NIGHT

1069

TOLNA ND JAN 2 1913

SECY OF TREASURY

WASHINGTON DC

WE FAVOR MINNEAPOLIS FOR REGIONAL RESERVE BANK BECAUSE OF GRAIN  
BUSINESS AND OTHER BUSINESS

ANSWERED  
JAN 5 1913  
FORM 5

STATE BANK OF TOLNA

751P

Form 25

# NIGHT LETTER

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THEO. N. VAIL, PRESIDENT

BELVIDERE BROOKS, GENERAL MANAGER

RECEIVED AT

1029 P. 1914

1914 JAN 2 AM 12 19

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TOWNER N D JAN 1 1914

THE HON SECRETARY OF THE TREASURY

WASHINGTON DC

MINNEAPOLIS BEING CENTER OF GRAIN, LUMBER, AGRICULTURAL IMPLEMENT BUSINESS AND FINANCIAL CENTER FOR ENTIRE NORTHWEST WE URGE YOU TO ESTABLISH ONE OF THE REGIONAL BANKS PROVIDED IN THE NEW CURRENCY BILL IN THAT CITY BEING MOST CONVENIENTLY SITUATED FOR ALL BANKS IN THE AGRICULTURAL NORTHWEST

FARMERS STATE BANK OF TOWNER

FIRST NATIONAL BANK

LS

12D1AM

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THEO. N. VAIL, PRESIDENT

BELVIDERE BROOKS, GENERAL MANAGER

RECEIVED AT 1197

B38 CH HY 43 NL

TOWNER ND JAN 3 1914

HON WM G MCADOO

WASHINGTON DC

WE EMPHATICALLY URGE THAT A REGIONAL RESERVE BANK BE LOCATED IN MINNEAPOLIS MINNESOTA THE IMMENSE VOLUME OF NORTHWESTERN BUSINESS IN GRAIN LUMBER AND FLOUR CENTERS IN MINNEAPOLIS MINNEAPOLIS IS THE CHIEF TERMINAL MARKET FOR OUR FARM IMPLEMENTS AND ALL COMMODITIES USED HERE RESPECTFULLY

TOWNER MERCHANTS BANK

ANSWERED  
JAN 6 1914  
FORM 75

253AM  
Form 117

# NIGHT LETTER

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THEO. N. VAIL, PRESIDENT

BELVIDERE BROOKS, GENERAL MANAGER

RECEIVED AT

C121CH WH 31 N L

TURTLE LAKE ND JAN 3 1914

1260

HON W G MCADOO

WASHINGTON DC

1914 JAN 4 AM 4 52

WE RESPECTFULLY ASK THAT A FEDERAL RESERVE DISTRICT INCLUDING THE TERRITORY BETWEEN THE MISSISSIPPI RIVER AND PUGET SOUND BE CREATED AND THAT MINNEAPLOS MINN BE NAMED AS THE REGIONAL RESERVE CITY

FIRST NATIONAL BANK

416AM

ANSWERED  
JAN 6 1914  
FORM

Form L 6

Treasury Department

TELEGRAM

99WU MO 33 Blue 4 ex

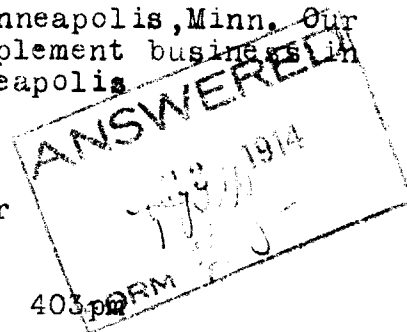
TURTLE LAKE N D Jan 2 1914

Secretary of the Treasury,

Washington, D.C.

We desire that a central bank be located at Minneapolis, Minn. Our banking, the lumber, grain and agricultural implement business in this town is practically all done through Minneapolis.

First State Bank,  
W N Harris, Cashier



Treasury Department

TELEGRAM

13PO MO 32 3 ex

UNDERWOOD N D Jan 5 1914

Secretary of Treasury,

Washington, D.C.

We desire that a central bank be located at Minneapolis, Minn. Our banking, the lumber, grain and agricultural implement business in this town is practically all done through Minneapolis

Security State Bank,

Kris K Jelstrup

*2 M M L*

Form L<sup>9</sup>

1153am

# NIGHT LETTER

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THEO. N. VAIL, PRESIDENT

BELVIDERE BROOKS, GENERAL MANAGER

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UPHAM ND JAN 3 1914

HON WM MCADOO.

WASHINGTON DC

WE WOULD IMPRESS THE NECESSITY OF A REGIONAL RESERVE BANK  
TO BE LOCATED AT MINNEAPOLIS MINNESOTA THE IMMENSE VOLUME OF  
NORTHWESTERN BUSINESS IN GRAIN LUMBER AND FLOUR CENTERS IN MINNEAPOLIS  
IT IS THE CHIEF TERMINAL MARKET FOR OUR FARM IMPLEMENTS  
ALL COMMODITIES USED HERE

SECURITY STATE BANK OF UPHAM  
STATE BANK OF UPHAM

459AM

ANSWERED  
JAN 6 1914  
JLR  
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Form 4

# NIGHT LETTER

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VALLEYCITY ND JAN 8 1914

HON W G MCADOO

SECY TO TREAS WASHN DC

WE ARE RESPECTFULLY FAVORING THE LOCATION OF ONE REGIONAL BANKS  
AT MINNEAPOLIS RECOGNIZED THAT CITY'S IMPORTANCE ACCOUNT OF ITS BEING  
THE LARGEST AGRICULTURAL GRAIN FLOUR RAILROAD MANUFACTURING AND FINANCIAL  
CENTER TO WHICH THE VAST COUNTRY WEST OF CHICAGO IS TRIBUTARY

FIRST NATL BANK

128AM

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# POSTAL TELEGRAPH - COMMERCIAL CABLES

CLARENCE H. MACKAY, PRESIDENT.

RECEIVED AT  
POSTAL TELEGRAPH BUILDING  
1345 PENNSYLVANIA AVENUE  
WASHINGTON, D. C.  
TELEPHONE: MAIN 660

# TELEGRAM

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Velva ND Dec 31st 13

Secretary of Treasury

Washington, D.C.,

We favor location one of Regional Banks in Minneapolis. account  
being grain and jobbing center to all this section.

First State Bank of Velva

By G.P. Severtson, Cashr 5PM

**ANSWERED**  
DEC 3 1914  
FORM

*Handwritten initials AS*

**POSTAL TELEGRAPH-CABLE COMPANY**  
**NIGHT LETTERGRAM**

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Valva N D Dec 31st

W G McAdoo,  
Secy. Treasury,  
Washington, D.C.

**ANSWERED**

JAN 3 1914 Jan 1, 1914

FORM *LR*  
*25*

In the interest of the West wish Minneapolis as our great financial and commercial clearinghouse we urgently request that a district be created including that territory from Mississippi river, to Puget Sound, wish Minneapolis Minn. as the Regional Reserve city.

*LS*

**Merchants State Bank.**

# POSTAL TELEGRAPH-CABLE COMPANY IN CONNECTION WITH THE COMMERCIAL CABLE COMPANY.



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CLARENCE H. MACKAY, President.  
J. O. STEVENS, Sec'y. WM. H. BAKER, V. P. & G. M.

CLARENCE H. MACKAY, President.  
ALBERT BECK, Sec'y. GEO. G. WARD, V. P. & G. M.



(31-38)

## NIGHT TELEGRAM

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*Received at Postal Telegraph-Cable Company Building, Washington.*

7501. R. 58- NL. Jany 1-1914--Via Minneapolis.--

Venturia, N.D. Dec 31-18

Hon. Wm. G. McAdoo Secy of The Treasury,

Washington, DC.--

The city of Minneapolis, Minn. is the grain lumber agricultural implement and wholesale and jobbing center of the Northwest and the most convenient place for the transaction of our business. It is in our opinion the logical location for a regional reserve bank and we earnestly beseech you to designate it as the location of such a bank.

First State Bank.

14opm.

ANSWERED  
DEC 31 1914  
FORM 27

LS

# WESTERN UNION DAY LETTER



THEO. N. VAIL, PRESIDENT

C39CH TR 101 BLUE  
RECEIVED AT VERONA ND  
HON SECY OF THE TREASURY  
939 WASHN DC

1914 JAN 2 PM 7 47

BEG TO CALL YOUR ATTENTION TO THE IMPORTANT POSITION  
OCCUPIED BY MINNEAPOLIS AS THE TRADE CENTER FOR THE TERRITORY  
BETWEEN THE MISSISSIPPI RIVER AND THE COAST WE LOOK TO MINNEAPOLIS  
FOR FINANCIAL AID DURING THE CROP GROWING AND HARVEST SEASON  
EACH YEAR AND PRACTICALLY ALL THE SURPLUS AND RESERVE FUNDS  
OF THE COUNTRY BANKS IN THIS TERRITORY ARE CENTERED IN  
THAT CITY IT SEEMS IMPERATIVE TO OUR WELL FARE THAT  
A REGIONAL BANK BE ESTABLISHED IN MINNEAPOLIS AMONG MEN INTIMATELY  
ACQUAINTED WITH OUR FINANCIAL REQUIREMENTS WE EARNESTLY REQUEST THAT  
MINNEAPOLIS BE DESIGNATED AS THE LOCATION OF A REGIONAL RESERVE BANK  
STATE BANK OF VERONA

741 PM

Form *AS*

POSTAL TELEGRAPH-CABLE COMPANY



NIGHT LETTERGRAM

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Voltaire, N.D., Jan 1, 14

Hon McAdoo,

Secy of Treasury.,

Washington D.C.

Form 25

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It is our desire to have regional reserve bank located in Minneapolis as being more convenient in every way for transportation of our business as it is the center of grain lumber produce agricultural implements and all other business.

Farmers State Bank,

Ole Engebretson, Cashier

952pm

ANSWERED  
JAN 3 1914  
FORM 25

# NIGHT LETTER

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THEO. N. VAN, PRESIDENT

BELVIDERE BROOKS, GENERAL MANAGER

RECEIVED AT

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F114CH TR 82 NL 8 EXTRA  
WAHPETON ND DEC 30 1913

W G MCADOO

SECY OF TREASURY WASHN DC

SIR THE CITIZENS NATIONAL BANK OF WAHPETON ND FAVORS THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A REGIONAL RESERVE BANK AT MINNEAPOLIS MINN FOR

THE FACT THAT MOST OF ITS OUTSIDE ITEMS CAN BE BETTER HANDLED THROUGH SAID CITY THAN ANY OTHER AND WE

BELIEVE THIS TO BE THE CASE WITH MOST NORTHDAKOTA BANKS AND IT THEREFORE URGES THOROUGH INVESTIGATION OF THE ADVANTAGES BY

THE RESERVE BOARD IN LOCATING SUCH REGIONAL RESERVE BANK FOR THE NORTHWEST RESPECTFULLY

THE CITIZENS NATIONAL BANK  
OF WAHPETON ND BY J P REEDER CASHIER

ANSWERED  
JAN 1 1914  
FORM

1035

Form 13

OFFICERS:  
J. W. CONNOLLY,  
WM. GELLE, VICE-PRES.  
J. TRIBKE, SEC.-TREAS.

# Farmers' Elevator Company

— at —  
Tyler, North Dakota  
Capital Stock, \$10,000.00

DIRECTORS:  
J. W. CONNOLLY  
ADAM GEPHART  
WM. GELLE  
JOHN MATAJACK  
JOE WEITSTEIN  
J. MILLER  
J. TRIBKE

Wakarusa, North Dakota, Jan 6<sup>th</sup> 1914

Secretary Wm G Meador  
Washington D C  
Dear Sir

We think Minneapolis Minn  
is entitled to one of the Regional  
Reserve Banks as the principal part of  
our business of Banking  
Farm Products and Farm Implements  
Centers there. We request that you designate  
that City as a location for one of  
these banks

Farmers Elevator Company  
of Tyler N D  
John Tribke  
Secretary

Yours Very Truly

1914  
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BELVIDERE BROOKS, GENERAL MANAGER

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ANSWERED  
JAN 5 1914  
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SECRETARY OF THE TREASURY

WASHINGTON DC

OWING TO THE LOCATION OF THE CITY OF MINNEAPOLIS AND  
THE LARGE AMOUNT OF BUSINESS TRANSACTED THERE OF DIFFERENT KINDS  
WE WOULD LIKE VERY MUCH TO HAVE THE CITY OF MINNEAPOLIS APPOINTED  
A FEDERAL RESERVE CITY

THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE NATIONAL BANK  
OF WAHPETON ND

1135PM

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# NIGHT LETTER

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WAHPETON ND JAN 1 1913

SECY OF THE TREASURY

WASHN DC

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IN BEHALF OF PEOPLES STATE BANK WAHPETON ND WOULD URGE  
THAT MINNEAPOLIS BE ONE OF THE CITIES IN WHICH SHALL  
BE LOCATED A REGIONAL RESERVE BANK TO THE GREAT STATES  
OF MINNESOTA WISCONSIN IOWA THE DAKOTAS AND THE GREAT WESTERN  
STATES IT OCCUPIES A GREATER POSITION THAN THAT OF ANY  
OTHER CITY IN THE DISTRICT TO BE SERVED THE GREAT  
INDUSTRIES OF AGRICULTURE LUMBERING MANUFACTURING AND MINING ARE SERVED  
BY IT AS BY NO OTHER CITY THE BANK CLEARINGS EACH  
YEAR FOR A SERIES OF YEARS SHOW ITS DOMINANT IMPORTANCE  
AS A BANKING CENTER

ROBT T BARBER CASHIER 949PM

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BELVIDERE BROOKS, GENERAL MANAGER

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HON WM G MCADOO

WASHN DC

WE EMPHATICALLY URGE THAT A REGIONAL RESERVE BANK BE LOCATED IN MINNEAPOLIS MINN THE IMMENSE VOLUME OF NORTHWESTERN BUSINESS IN GRAIN STOCK LUMBER AND FLOUR CENTERS IN MINNEAPOLIS MINNEAPOLIS IS THE CHIEF TERMINAL MARKET FOR OUR FARM IMPLEMENTS AND ALL DOMMODITIES USED BERE

FIRST STATE BANK  
APPROVED  
ALL  
1913

150 AM

# Citizens State Bank of Wales

CAPITAL, \$10,000.00

C. E. JOHNSTON, PRESIDENT  
JOHN B. MOONEY, VICE PRESIDENT  
GEORGE H. JOHNSTON, CASHIER

GENERAL BANKING BUSINESS  
REAL ESTATE  
FARM MORTGAGE LOANS

Wales, North Dakota

Jan., 8th, 1914.

Hon. W. G. McAddo,  
Secretary of Treasury,  
Washington, D. C.

Form *25*

Dear Sir:-

We believe that it would be for the best interests of banks and other business houses in this vicinity if one of the Regional Reserve Banks would be established at Minneapolis. I trust that you will favor placing one there.

Very truly yours,

Citizens State Bank of Wales,

By *George H. Johnston*  
Cashier.

ANSWERED  
JAN 12 1914  
*DR*  
FORM

# WESTERN UNION



# DAY LETTER

THEO. N. VAIL, PRESIDENT

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SECRETARY OF TREASURY

WASHINGTON DC

A REGIONAL AT MINNEAPOLIS WOULD SERVE THE REQUIREMENTS IF  
OUR MERCHANTS AND OURSELVES WE HAVE ONLY ONE CHOICE THAT IS MINNEAPOLIS  
STATE BANK OF WALES.

1150  
ANSWERED  
JAN 1 1914  
FORM 21

Form 215

# NIGHT LETTER

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HON W G MCADOO

WASHN DC

WE BELIEVE MINNEAPOLIS TO BE THE PROPER SELECTION FOR  
A REGIONAL RESERVE BANK TO SERVE THE INTERESTS OF THE  
GREAT NORTH WEST AND WOULD REQUEST THAT YOU LOCATE SUCH  
BANK THERE THAT CITY IS OUR NATURAL CENTER FOR  
BANKING MARKETING GRAIN AND OTHER FARM PRODUCTS AND DISTRIBUTING FARM  
IMPLEMENTS

FIRST NATIONAL BANK

1147PM

Form 45

# WESTERN UNION TELEGRAM



THEO. N. VAIL, PRESIDENT

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RECEIVED AT Wyatt Building, Cor. 14th and F Sts., Washington, D. C. <sup>ALWAYS</sup> 9 47  
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MR WM D MCADOO. SECY OF TREASURY

WASHN D C

WE DESIRE THAT MINNEAPOLIS BE DESIGNATED BY YOUR COMMITTEE AS  
THE LOCATION OF ONE OF THE REGIONAL RESERVE BANKS AS  
MINNEAPOLIS IS THE NATURAL MARKET FOR THE PRODUCTS OF THE  
NORTHWEST AND ITS BANKING CENTER

FARMERS STATE BANK

ANSWERED  
C 1914  
*[Handwritten signature]*

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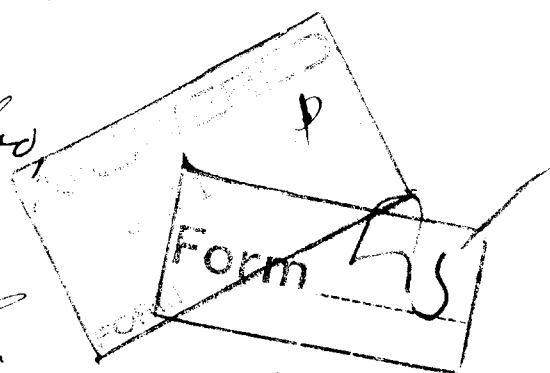
# Independent Grain Company

GRAIN MERCHANTS

Warren, N.D., Jan 17 1914

Secretary Am L. Sp Adoo

Washington  
D. C.



Dear Sir:

At request  
your careful consideration of Minneapolis.  
as the location for one of the Reserve Banks,  
as the principle part of our banking is  
transacted there, and most of our farm  
products marketed in Minneapolis.

yours Truly

Independent Grain Co

C. L. Olsen Mgr

**DIRECTORS**  
ED. A. ANDERSON  
JOHN M. JOHNSON  
JOHN A. CHINN  
J. M. BORRILL  
J. E. BALES

**MANAGER**  
N. A. OLIEN.

# WATROUS EQUITY EXCHANGE

**PRESIDENT**  
JO M. JOHNSON  
Vice Pres.  
J. M. BORRILL  
Sec. and Treas.  
JOHN A. CHINN

Watrous, N. D. *Jan 12th* 1913.

Secretary Wm. G. McAdoo,  
Washington, D.C.

As a company of organized farmers in the Northwest, we respectfully beg that Minneapolis be named as the location for one of the Regional Reserve Banks. Because the natural flow of our money for grain and merchandise is from and to that city.

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F. W. SWENSON  
JAN 17 1914  
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FORM

Respectfully yours,  
John A. Chinn, Secy.

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WESTHOPE ND 2-3

MCADOO SECY OF THE TREASURY

WASHINGTON DC

WE REQUEST THAT ONE OF THE GOVERNMENT REGIONAL RESERVE BANKS BE LOCATED AT MINNEAPOLIS MINN THIS IS THE NATURAL AND CONVENIENT BUSINESS CENTER FOR THE NORTHWEST AND THE LOGICAL LOCATION FOR THE RESERVE BANK TO SERVE THIS TERRITORY

BANK OF WESTHOPE J L PAGE CASHR.

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# WESTERN UNION DAY LETTER



THEO. N. VAIL, PRESIDENT

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WM G MCADOO

SECT WASHINGTON DC.

WE THINK MINNEAPOLIS IS ENTITLED TO ONE OF THE REGIONAL  
RESERVE BANKS AS THE PRINCIPAL PART OF OUR BUSINESS OF  
BANKING FARM PRODUCTS AND FARM IMPLEMENTS CENTERS THERE WE  
REQUEST THAT YOU DESIGNATE THAT CITY AS A LOCATION FOR ONE  
OF THESE BANKS

FARS ELEV CO

A. J. HELGERSON MGR.

NO ANSWERED

JAN 13 1914  
PM 10/5

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WHEELOCK N D JAN 7 1914

HON W G MCADOO

SECY OF TREASURY WASHINGTON DC

BECAUSE THE NATURAL FLOW OF MONEY FROM GRAIN FARM MACHINERY  
LUMBER ETC IS FROM AND TO MINNEAPOLIS MINN WE REQUEST  
THAT A REGIONAL RESERVE BANK BE ESTABLISHED THERE

CITIZENS STATE BANK

825PM

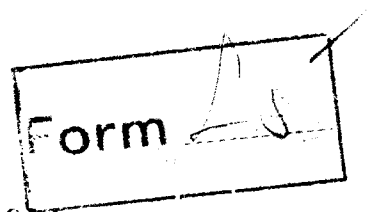
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Treasury Department

TELEGRAM

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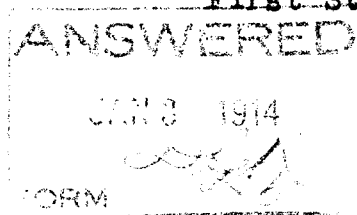
WHEELLOCK N D Jan 2 1914

Secretary Treasury

Washington D C

We beg to express our desire that a regional bank be located in Minneapolis, Minn as it is the center of our grain lumber, implements and produce exchange of this northwestern country

First State bank Wheelock, N.D.



204pm

POSTAL TELEGRAPH-CABLE COMPANY

NIGHT LETTERGRAM



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CLARENCE H. MACKAY, PRESIDENT.

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INDEPENDENT COMPETITIVE PROGRESSIVE

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Whitman, N. D., Dec. 31-1913.

Secy U. S. treasury,

Washington, D.C.

ANSWERED  
DEC 15 1914  
P.L.R.  
25

Believeing that Minneapolis offers advantages superior to any other city in the Northwest for the location of a regional reserve bank we strongly urge you to favorably consider their application.

First State Bank of Whitman.

843 p.m.

Form *[Signature]*

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WILDROSE ND JAN 2 14

SECY OF TREASURY

WASHN DC

WE FAVOR REGIONAL BANK LOCATED IN MINNEAPOLIS AS MOST CONVENIENT  
IN EVERY WAY FOR TRANSACTION OF OUR BUSINESS

FIRST STATE BANK  
OF WILDROSE

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# NIGHT LETTER

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BELVIDERE BROOKS, GENERAL MANAGER

RECEIVED AT  
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WILLOW CITY N D JANY 7 1914

HON W G MCADOO

WASHN DC

WE BELIEVE MINNEAPOLIS TO BE THE PROPER SELECTION FOR A REGIONAL RESERVE BANK TO SERVE THE INTERESTS OF THE GREAT NORTHWEST AND WOULD REQUEST THAT YOU LOCATE SUCH A BANK THERE THAT CENTER IS OUR NATURAL CENTER FOR BANKING MARKET IN GRAIN AND OTHER FARM PRODUCTS AND DISTRIBUTING FARM IMPLEMENTS

ANSWERED  
JAN 8 1914  
FORM 25

FIRST NATION BANK OF WILLOW CITY

1122PM

Form L 5

# NIGHT LETTER

## THE WESTERN UNION TELEGRAPH COMPANY

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RECEIVED AT

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WILLOW-CITY ND JAN 2 1914

HON SECT'Y OF THE TREASURY

WASHINGTON DC

WE RESPECTFULLY URGE THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A REGIONAL BANK AT MINNEAPOLIS MINN THAT POINT IS THE LOGICAL CENTER FOR CLEARING AND GENERAL BUSINESS FOR BANKS IN NORTH-DAKOTA ALSO GRAIN TERMINAL FOR ALMOST THE ENTIRE NORTHWEST NO OTHER POINT WILL BE AS GOOD FOR THIS STATE AND OTHER PORTIONS IN THE NORTHWEST WE ASK YOUR CONSIDERATION

MERCHANTS NATIONAL BANK

8PM

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WILTON ND JAN 7 1914

SECY MCADOO

TREASURY WASHN DC

IF OUR OPINION COUNTS FOR ANYTHING WE WISH TO SEE  
MINNEAPOLIS GET ONE OF THE REGIONAL BANKS THE PRINCIPAL PART  
OF OUR BUSINESS BANKING GRAIN AND FARM IMPLEMENTS CENTERS THERE  
IT IS OUR DESIRE TO SEE ONE LOCATED IN MINNEAPOLIS  
MINN

MCLEAN COUNTY BANK

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THEO. N. VAIL, PRESIDENT

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WILTON ND 31

HON W G MCADOO

SECRY TREASURY WASHINGTON DC

WE FAVOR THE LOCATION OF A FEDERAL RESERVE BANK AT MINNEAPOLIS

MINN ON ACCOUNT OF ITS IMPORTANT IN THE BUSINESS OF

THE GREAT NORTHWEST

WILTON BANK.

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ANSWERED  
JAN 7 1914  
FORM

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THEO. N. VAIL, PRESIDENT

BELVIDERE BROOKS, GENERAL MANAGER

RECEIVED AT

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WILTON ND JAN 7

SECY W G MCADOO

WASHN DC

WE THINK MINNEAPOLIS IS ENTITLED TO ONE OF THE REGIONAL RESERVE BANKS AS THE PRINCIPAL PART OF OUR BUSINESS OF BANKING FARM PRODUCTS AND FARM IMPLEMENTS CENTERS THERE WE REQUEST THAT YOU DESIGNATE THAT CITY AS A LOCATION FOR ONE OF THESE BANKS

ANSWERED DEV CO  
JAN 8 1914  
FORM

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**POSTAL TELEGRAPH-CABLE COMPANY**

**NIGHT LETTERGRAM**

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CLARENCE H. MACKAY, PRESIDENT.

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Wimbledon, N. D., Jan. 2-1914.

The Secretary of the Treasury,

Washington, D.C.

We think it very imperative that a regional bank be located at Minneapols which is the center of all grain and lumber products of the Northwest and headquarters for many industrial enterprises.

ANSWERED  
5 1914  
J. P. R.  
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First National Bank, Merchants National Bank.

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WINNEWAUKAN ND JAN 1 14

SECY OF THE TREASURY

WASHINGTON DC

*Handwritten initials*

WE FAVOR LOCATION OF ONE OF REGIONAL BANKS IN MINNEAPOLIS  
ACCOUNT OF BULK OF FARM PRODUCTS MARKETED THERE AND PURCHASE  
OF FARM IMPLEMENTS AND MERCHANDISE FROM MINNEAPOLIS

Form 5

THE FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF WINNEWAUKAN  
BY C F PIERSON CASHIER

859P

# NIGHT LETTER

## THE WESTERN UNION TELEGRAPH COMPANY

OFFICE OF PRIVATE SECRETARY  
U.S. DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

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THEO. N. VAIL, PRESIDENT

BELVIDERE BROOKS, GENERAL MANAGER

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WOLFORD ND JAN 5TH 1914

HON W G MCADOO

SECY TREASURY WASHINGTON DC

BECAUSE THE NATURAL FLOW OF MONEY FROM GRAIN FARM MACHINERY

LUMBER AND SO FORTH IS FROM AND TO MINNEAPOLIS MINNESOTA

WE REQUEST THAT A REGIONAL RESERVE BANK BE ESTABLISHED THERE

STATE BANK OF WOLFORD

109PM JAN 6TH 1914

ANSWERED  
JAN 7 1914  
TOM L J -

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THEO. N. VAIL, PRESIDENT

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YORK ND JAN 1 1914

SECY OF THE TREASURY

WASHINGTON DC

WOULD RECOMMEND THAT ONE OF REGIONAL BANK BE LOCATED IN MINNEAPOLIS  
DUE TO GRAIN AND OTHER INTERESTS IN THAT SECTION

BANK OF YORK

Form 42

YORK ND

617PM

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**THEO. N. VAIL, PRESIDENT**

**BELVIDERE BROOKS, GENERAL MANAGER**

**RECEIVED AT**

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316CH AN 43 NL

YORK ND JAN 2 1914

SECRETARY OF THE TREASURY

WASHINGTON DC

IT WOULD BE A GREAT CONVENIENCE FOR THIS SECTION OF THE COUNTRY AND THE WHOLE NORTHWEST TO HAVE A FEDERAL RESERVE BANK LOCATED AT MINNEAPOLIS AS NEARLY ALL THE BANKING BUSINESS AND OTHER BUSINESS OF THE NORTHWEST IS DONE AT MINNEAPOLIS YOURS TRULY

YORK STATE BANK

9PM

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JAN 5 1914  
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BELVIDERE BROOKS, GENERAL MANAGER

RECEIVED AT

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YPSILANTI N D DEC 31 1913

HON WM MCADOO

WASHN DC

WE FAVOR LOCATION OF REGIONAL RESERVE BANK AT MINNEAPOLIS MINN  
FOR THAT PART OF NORTHWEST LYING WEST OF MISSISSIPPI RIVER TO PUGET  
SOUND

FARMERS STATE BANK

845PM

ANSWERED  
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S. F. CORWIN, PRESIDENT  
F. NICHOLLS, VICE-PRESIDENT  
ALF. SCHOLLANDER,  
SECY-TREASURER  
C. GIBSON, MANAGER

# Ypsilanti Farmers Elevator Company

DEALERS IN

Wood, Coal, Grain and Binder Twine

YPSILANTI, N. DAK.

DIRECTORS:  
H. T. LIEN  
E. M. DOUGHTY  
A. B. FERGUSON  
S. O. ALLEN

January 5 th 1914

Sec- W.G.McAdoo.  
Washington

D. C.

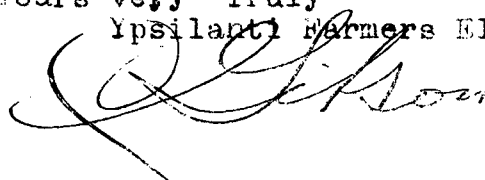
Dear Sir:-- As Minneapolis is the great grain center of the North west, and as the banks and grain firms of that city furnish a g eatdeal of the money used to move the crops of North Dakota South Dakota Montana and Minnesota . In fact Minneapolis is the great clearing house of these states mentioned

Therefor we hope that in the distribution of the Reginal R Reserve banks that Minneapolis will be one of the first cities considered. We hope to have your Co Operation in our efforts to bring this about . We know of no other city where the placing of a bank would be of as much benefit to the North West.

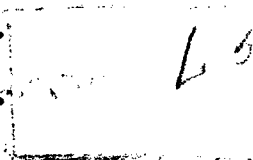
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Yours very Truly  
Ypsilanti Farmers Elev Co.



Mgr.



Treasury Department

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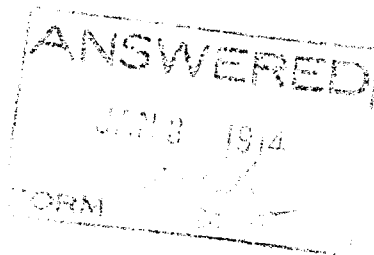
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Hon W G McAdoo, Secretary of Treasury,

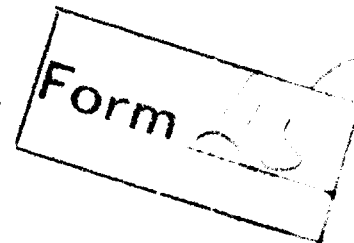
Washington, D.C.

We urge Minneapolis reserve bank northwesterns products marketed there

Zeeland Statet Bank



1232pm



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Ashley N D Dec 31

Secy of Treasury

Washington, D.C./

A reserve bank in the City of Minneapolis Minn would best serve the interests of the people of North Dakota, and the North West, that city being the center of grain lumber produce agricultural implements and other business.

*note - ask*

W.L. Johnson, Cashier

Zeland ND.

FORM 25

Jan 1, 1916