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MINNESOTA NEWS

BELLE PLAINE: Kevin G. Gaffney was named pres. of State Bank following the death of W. J. Gatz. George P. Effertz, Sr., was named v.p. R. R. Carpenter cash., and Tyrone S. Buesgens a.c.

BLUE EARTH: Carl Bangert was elected pres. and dir. of First Natl. C. F. Stilgebouer, former pres., was named chmn.

CHISHOLM: At First Natl., Alfred Maturi was elected chmn.; John J. Krause, pres.; Ed Wheelecor, Sr., exec. v.p.; A. B. Alquire and Fred Hodge, v.p.'s; Edward L. Wheelecor, Jr., cash. and Michael Dicklich, a.c. Ted Barker was elected a dir.

CROOKSTON: Ernest L. Hilkey was promoted to v.p.; Robert Cameron, a.v.p.; Duaine Espegard, a.v.p. and ag off. and Mrs. Meda Buness and Mrs. Esther Bradley, a.c.'s, at First Natl.

HAWLEY: First Natl. named Esther Olson cash. and Mrs. Henry Hovelsrud a.c.

LITTLE FALLS: American Natl. has advanced Kenneth J. Heid, formerly a.c., to cash. and William Johnson to a.c.

LUVERNE: The Northwestern State reports promotion of Richard Christianson to v.p.; Grace Loose to cash., and Wayne Untiedt to a.c.

MAPLETON: At the annual meeting of First Natl., H. W. Healy retained as chmn. and J. R. Starkey was promoted from cash. to pres. Roger L. Schuett was promoted to cash.

OSLO: In a realignment at Valley State, Peter P. Gerszewski elected chmn. of bd.; Robert Bork pres.; Leon J. Pribula, v.p.; Larry Kohler, cash., and Colleen Anderson, a.c.

ILLINOIS NEWS

CARPENTERSVILLE: Suburban Bank & Trust, a new bank, has been approved for FDIC coverage. Total capital is \$650,000. Benjamin C. Getzelman is pres.

COUNTRY CLUB HILLS: The application to organize South Suburban Bank has been approved by Roland L. Blaha, Illinois commissioner of banks & trust companies. Capital of \$750,000 consists of \$300,000 common, \$300,000 surplus and \$150,000 reserve. Organizers include William G. Parker, Leslie V. Beck and Robert R. Walper, Chicago; Donald F. Lindberg, Homewood; Clarence C. Dexter, Hinsdale, and Dominick J. Velo, Flossmoor.

LAKE FOREST: The Comptroller of the Currency approved on December 30, 1969, application for chartering of Lake Forest Natl. Bank, with J. R. Shoulberg listed as agent.

MELROSE PARK: Herbert Essig has been advanced to sr. v.p. He was .v.p. & cash. Patrick M. Anderson, formerly with LaSalle Natl., Chicago, has joined the bank as an a.v.p.

WINCHESTER: The Comptroller of the Currency has issued a certificate authorizing The Neat, Condit & Grout Natl. Bank of Winchester to change its name, effective January 1, 1970, to Winchester Natl. Bank.

NEBRASKA NEWS

AINSWORTH: Forrest H. Kern, cash. at the Bank of Ainsworth, has been elected to the bd. of dir.'s.

CHAMBERS: Chambers State Bank has increased its surplus account from \$50,000 to \$100,000.

ELKHORN: Eugene Reece has been added to the staff of the Bank of Elkhorn as v.p. and a dir. He had been with First Natl. of Lincoln.

GERING: Changes at the Gering Natl. include Melvin Mathis named v.p. and cash.; Harold Stuckey to v.p. and Catherine Ulrich to a.c.

McCOOK: Two promoted at First Natl. are Kenneth W. Foster to v.p. and Frances McCarty to a.v.p. Jim McGinnes joins bank as cash.

OMAHA: Bernard R. Burger has been named a.v.p. of West Omaha Natl. Bd. Chmn. John Shonsey also announced approval of a 20% stock dividend.

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Programs for National Farm Forums Are Announced...

Two nationally recognized Farm Forums will be held in Des Moines and Minneapolis during the next three weeks. The Des Moines Chamber of Commerce will host its 32nd Annual National Farm Institute on February 12 and 13 at Hotel Fort Des Moines. The Greater Minneapolis Chamber of Commerce will hold its 1970 Farm Forum on March 5 at Hotel Radisson.

In Des Moines, an impressive group of speakers will center on the theme "The 70's...Challenge and

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Opportunity." They will be led by U. S. Secretary of Agriculture Clifford M. Hardin and they will examine the planning priorities and the projected programs for American agriculture in the decade ahead. Approximately 1,000 agri-oriented persons are expected to attend the two-day event.

At the Farm Forum in Minneapolis, Clarence D. Palmby will be the luncheon speaker. He is assistant secretary under Mr. Hardin. His topic will be "The 70's - A Decade of Confrontation." Congressman Albert H. Quie, First District, Minnesota, will give a Congressional view and Senator Birch Bayh, Indiana, will present a Senatorial view of the confrontation theme. This theme will examine "public policy and governmental action relating to pollution, consumerism, tight money, prices of farm products, education and rural development."

IOWA NEWS

AMES: At the annual meeting of First Natl., G. Roger Alley was advanced from vice chmn. to chmn., and Marvin F. Miller was elected a dir. These changes result from the recent death of Chmn. Clay W. Stafford. Staff promotions include: Daniel L. Krieger, from a.v.p. & a.t.o. to v.p. & a.t.o.; Paul L. Klingseis, from a.v.p. to v.p. and continuing as mgr. of the University office. Edward C. Jacobson, from a.c. to a.v.p. and continuing as installment loan mgr.;

Mrs. Virginia R. Singer to a.c., and Norman W. Heald, from aud. to a.c. & aud.

BURLINGTON: Burton B. Cross, who joined Burlington B&T one year ago in the installment loan dept., has been elected a.c.

CEDAR RAPIDS: Clyde F. Peremsky, v.p. & cash., Merchants Natl., retired February 1 after 46 years of service with the bank. He started there in 1923. Succeeding him as cashier is Denis L. Jensen, formerly a.v.p.

CLINTON: Dale F. Feaster was elected pres. and a dir. of Iowa State Savings, succeeding Richard Weber, who resigned. Mr. Feaster formerly was pres. of Farmers Natl., Geneseo, Ill. Burke Petersen, pres. of Smith Trust & Savings Bank in Morrison, Ill., was elected a dir. and chmn. of the bd. of Iowa State Savings.

COLUMBUS JUNCTION: Columbus Junction State Bank named Thomas H. Huston as pres., succeeding his father, H. Lee Huston, who continues as chmn.

CRESCO: Personnel named at Union Savings include: John H. Thomson, pres., succeeding J. A. Thomson, who died in December, 1968, James Thomson named v.p. and cash., and John F. O'Byrne elected a.v.p. and farm rep.

DEFIANCE: Earl Powers was promoted to pres. of Defiance State Bank. Other changes are M. C. Weiland from pres. to chmn. of bd.; Francis E. Case to v.p.; John Wells to cash., and JoAnn Walker to a.c.

DUBUQUE: Six promotions were made by the board of directors of American T&S last month. Advanced were: Miss Janann M. Spahn and Mrs. Harriet B. Jecklin, from a.v.p. to v.p.; Donald T. Beresford, from a.c. to a.v.p., and Mrs. Roger (Ei-

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leen) Schilling, Michael Murwin and Mrs. Eldon (Jean) Konsen, to a.c. Mrs. Konzen also is an a.t.o.

ELDRIDGE: Rodney L. Burnett has been promoted from a.v.p. to v.p. at Central T&S.

FOREST CITY: Dr. J. P. Jorgensen has been named to head a newly-established trust dept. at Forest City B&T. A veterinarian, he will join the bank staff this summer after receiving his M.A. degree in business administration.

MAQUOKETA: At Maquoketa State, Norman A. Gerdes, formerly with the state banking dept., joined the bank as a.v.p. and loan off.

MUSCATINE: Larry W. Howe, who joined First Natl. last September as t.o., has also been elected an a.v.p. at the bank. Harold W. Ogilvie, Jr., an employee since 1962, was elected an a.c. and continues as a loan off.

NEWELL: At First Natl. these advancements were made: A. J. Hill, from pres. to chmn.; G. D. Hill, from exec. v.p. to pres.; C. Wabeke from cash. to exec. v.p.; Glen Pedersen from a.c. to cash., and Irene McCrea to a.c.

PERRY: Two ladies were elected officers at First Natl. at the annual meeting. Mrs. Sheila Richardson was named teller operations off. and Mrs. Lois West was appointed accounting dept. as st. mgr.

RED OAK: Houghton State elected Myron Weil, pres. of First Natl. of Clinton, as a dir. New officers are J. Neil Hammit, v.p., and Phillip C. Cave, mgr. installment loan dept.

ROCK RAPIDS: Eugene Metzger, 31, an employee of Lyon County State Bank since 1967, has been advanced to a.v.p. He works with commercial, farm and installment loans as well as the Master Charge program.

SAC CITY: Directors of Citizens Savings announced one promotion at their annual meeting. Dudley Martens was promoted from a.c. to a.v.p.

SIOUX CITY: Directors have promoted Charles H. Walcott to sr. v.p. of First Natl., and Robert C. Schmith to EDP operations off.

WALFORD: M. C. Erusha celebrated his 50th year in banking on January 3, all of it with Farmers Savings Bank of Walford. For many years he was the only employee of the bank. He is pres. of the bank at Walford, as well as being pres. of Chelsea Savings at Chelsea and Solon State at Solon. His older son, Don, is exec. v.p. at the Chelsea and Solon banks. His younger son, Robert C., is exec. v.p. at Walford and a son-in-law, E. R. Kaiden is cash, there. A dinner attended by directors and staff of the banks, the Erusha children and grandchildren, and a number of friends, was held in Mr. Erusha's honor.

WINTERSET: Farmers and Merchants State promoted Irvin W. Martens to cash, to fill the vacancy created by the retirement of Charles Butterfield. R. P. Pierce was named a.c.

COLORADO NEWS

ARAPAHOE: The Comptroller of the Currency has approved a charter for Arapahoe Colorado Natl. Bank, located in the unincorporated area of Arapahoe County. Joseph G. Hodges is agent.

ARVADA: James W. Randall was promoted from exec. v.p. & cash. to pres. of First Natl., succeeding Riess Stegner, who continues as chmn. Other appointments include: Richard L. Tuers, cash.; Mrs. Shirley J. Ekblad, a.c., and Mrs. Nancy M. Ruff, a.t.o.

DENVER: Charles H. Smukler, exec. v.p. of Security Natl. since last April, has been named pres., succeeding Don Carney, who becomes chmn., and J. Kernan Weckbaugh, former chmn., will continue as a dir. Other appointments include: Richard M. Kreutzer from v.p. to sr. v.p., and Raymond T. Duncan, pres. of Duncan Oil Ltd., as a new dir., replacing his brother, Walter Duncan, Jr., Oklahoma City, who resigned.

STEAMBOAT SPRINGS: Routt County Natl. has been authorized by the Comptroller to open an office at 802 Lincoln Ave.

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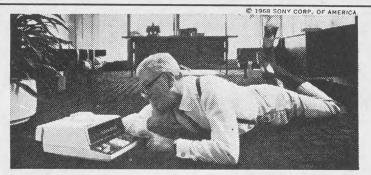
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WYOMING NEWS

RAWLINS: G. W. McIlvaine, v.p. of First Natl., has also been named cash., to fill the vacancy left by the resignation of John C. Waeckerlin, Jr.

SOUTH DAKOTA NEWS

HURON: At a recent meeting of the legislative committee of the South Dakota Bankers Assn., it was voted to table the branching question following a report from the special Branch Bank Study Committee.

YANKTON: The following officer changes were announced at American State: James R. Echtermeyer to exec. v.p.; Leo L. Plank to sr. v.p.; Marvin L. Steffes to a.v.p., and Robert R. Rupiper to a.c.

NORTH DAKOTA NEWS

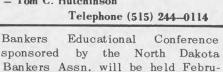
GRAND FORKS: The 1970 Junior

Bankers ary 18-20 at the University Center, U. of N.D., in Grand Forks.

GRAND FORKS: J. F. Cook has been advanced from v.p. & t.o. to exec. v.p. & t.o. at Valley B&T. Stockholders have approved an increase in capital from \$300,000 to \$400,000 by payment of a stock dividend, payable April 1 to stockholders of record Jan. 31. This increases total capital and reserves to \$1,031,000, according to A. A. Holmquist, pres.

LISBON: Bruce D. Iserman has been advanced from a.c. to a.v.p. at Farmers State.

MINOT: Nine of the 10 board members of First Western State announced they would not stand for reelection at the annual board meeting, held recently. John Hoeven, new pres., was the only dir. plan-





ning to stay on the board. The others said they preferred not to be reelected in view of charges of violating the law by illegal political contributions, which were based upon accusations by a former officer of the bank.

MONTANA NEWS

HELENA: John D. Johnson has been promoted to a.v.p. by the Federal Reserve of Mpls. and assigned to the Helena branch. A native of Lanyon, Ia., he joined the Fed in 1960 upon graduation from Minnesota School of Business.

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