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Fed Proposes Equal Return on IRA/Keogh

The Federal Reserve Board has proposed to allow its 5,759 member banks to pay the same deposit interest rate as thrift institutions for long-term retirement accounts, effective July 6.

The action is a major departure from the 11-year-old rate differential concept which currently allows thrifts to pay 1/4 % more for savings than commercial banks.

Chairman Robert E. Barnett of the FDIC has offered a similar proposal. It is thought that a new type of time deposit might be developed for retirement savers.

Currently, banks may pay 7.50%, while thrifts may pay 7.75%. The new instrument would allow both banks and thrifts to pay 7.75%. The Fed said that if banks were allowed to pay the higher rate it would mean an additional \$50,000 for Keogh plans and an additional \$10,000 for IRAs, based on a maximum deposit over a 30-year period.

The Fed action is certain to cause trouble in the financial community and in Congress. Senator Thomas J. McIntyre, D., N.H., who is chairman of the Senate Banking subcommittee on financial institutions, termed the Fed move "unilateral special interest initiative on behalf of commercial banks."

The Fed proposal came after Congress gave final approval to a compromise bill which extends deposit rate ceilings for all financial institutions for another nine months to December 15.

Banks now have only 34% of the IRA market.

John Chisholm Is Comptroller Candidate

John Chisholm, a former commissioner of banking in Minnesota and the immediate past president of the Minnesota Bankers Association, is a leading contender for nomination to the position of Comptroller of the Currency, according to reports from Washington, D.C.

Mr. Chisholm, 62, is president of the Olmsted County National Bank, Rochester. He reportedly has the backing of Vice President Walter Mondale and of Senator Hubert Humphrey. The appointment should be made within the very near future.

BAI To Hold Northern Regional Convention

Bank Administration Institute (BAI) will hold its 28th Northern Regional Convention at the Hilton Inn and Hyatt House in Des

Moines, Ia., May 15-17. Paul Nadler, professor of business administration, Rutgers University, New Brunswick, N.J., will give the keynote address. A featured speaker will be Maj. General George Olmsted, chairman, International Bank, Washington, D.C.

The majority of the meeting will consist of concurrent sessions. Topics include: "Financial Reporting," "Women in Banking," "Trust Options for Community Banks," "Internal vs. External Auditor," "New Concepts in Proof Deposits," "Merchant Participation in EFT," "Controls and Audits for POS/EFT," and many more.

Nebraska News

The 1977 Nebraska Bank Directory will be mailed within the next two weeks. A reminder: Your label is your invoice.

OMAHA: Douglas County Bank & Trust Co. has announced the promotion of Patrick M. Coyle, assistant trust officer, to trust officer. He joined the bank in 1976 after obtaining his law degree from Creighton University.

TEKAMAH: Richard M. Nelsen has joined the First National Bank as a vice president and director. He previously was vice president of the

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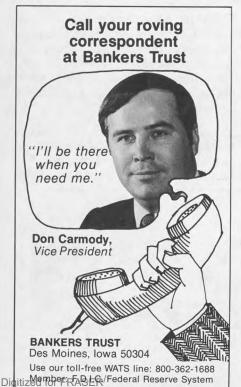


Burt County State Bank in Tekamah for 15 years.

Iowa News

The 1977 Iowa Bank Directory will be mailed within the next two weeks. A reminder: Your label is your invoice.

At press time, the Iowa House still had HF 518 on its calendar, scheduled for debate. HF 518 is the bill that would substantially rewrite the Iowa Franchise Bill, resulting in dramatically increased taxes of about \$6 million for Iowa banks and financial institutions over the present level of \$6.8 million collected. A number of Democratic legislators were known to have backed away from the proposed bill and it appeared that the majority party's support for the bill was fading.



COLUMBUS JUNCTION: Marvin Prior was elected assistant cashier of the Columbus Junction State Bank.

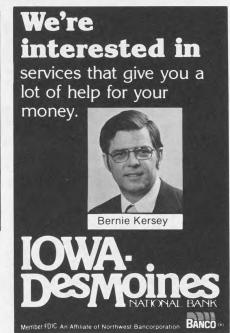
DUBUQUE: Bernard (Bernie) Miller has joined the correspondent banking department of American Trust & Savings Bank. Mr. Miller is well known throughout Iowa, having traveled the entire state for the last 15 years and also managed the operations of the correspondent department for a Chicago bank for eight years.

DURANT: Oliver Hansen, president of Liberty Trust and Savings Bank, has announced that an open house will be held Sunday, April 24. An extensive remodeling program has been completed and guests will be given tours of the expanded bank quarters.

EARLY: Early Savings Bank has announced the following appointments: Donald W. Kelley, executive vice president; Dennis R. Steele, cashier and security officer; Ruth Ann Scott, assistant cashier, and Bill Johnson, loan trainee.

LESTER: Lester State Bank has received consent to exercise limited trust powers.

ORANGE CITY: Sioux County



State Bank has received consent to exercise limited trust powers.

SIBLEY: David Wier, Sibley mayor, has been named vice president of the First National Bank. He formerly was vice president of Sibley State Bank.

WASHINGTON: Frieda McFarland was promoted to assistant vice president of the Ainsworth Office of the National Bank of Washington.

Minnesota News

ALEXANDRIA: William H. Frost has been elected vice president in the retail banking division of the First National Bank. He most recently was instalment banking officer for First Bank System.

INTERNATIONAL FALLS: Ronald F. Howes recently joined the International State Bank as vice president. He previously served as vice president of the Western Bank of Billings, Mont.

MANKATO: Calvin A. Johnson recently was elected assistant vice president of the First National Bank.

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15,000 February 1, 1980	3.75	4.80%	
5.00%		15,000 February 1, 1989	4.80
15,000 February 1, 1981	4.00	4.90%	
4.50%		20,000 February 1, 1990*	4.90
15,000 February 1, 1982	4.10	5.00%	
15,000 February 1, 1983	4.20	20,000 February 1, 1991*	5.00
15,000 February 1, 1984	4.30	<u>5.10%</u>	
15,000 February 1, 1985	4.40	20,000 February 1, 1992*	5.10
15,000 February 1, 1986	4.50	5.20%	
4.60%		20,000 February 1, 1993*	5.20
15,000 February 1, 1987	4.60		

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Swift County is located in western Minnesota approximately 130 miles west of the Twin Cities Metropolitan Area. The county seat is Benson. There are seven banks and two savings and loan associations in Swift County with total deposits in excess of \$81,000,000. Some of the larger commercial and industrial employers in the County are: Fingerhut Corporation; TCI, Inc.; Lorenz Mfg. Company; BH Electronic, Inc.; Simmond's Produce; Appleton Coop Creamery; and Otter Tail Power Company (Appleton). Many of the businesses in Swift County are agriculturally oriented, serving a largely agricultural economic base. According to the 1974 Minnesota State Farm Census (latest available figure), farmland accounts for 397,146 acres or 82% of the total acreage of Swift County. Nearly 66% of the 1976 assessed valuation of the County is agricultural. Corn and wheat are the major crops grown in the County; oats, soybeans, barley and sugar beets are also significant crops. Swift County farmers, in 1974, earned \$83,650,000 as cash income, of which 67% came from the sale of crops. Transportation is provided by U.S. highways No. 12 and 59, State highways No. 9, 29 and 119, the Burlington Northern, Inc. and the Milwaukee Railroads and the Greyhound Bus Line.

These bonds are issued pursuant to M.S.A. Chapters 475 and 106. The proceeds of this issue will be used to finance the construction of two drainage ditches and the repair of one drainage ditch. The debt service will be paid from assessment liens filed against the benefited property. In the opinion of counsel, these bonds are also legal and binding general obligations of Swift County, Minnesota, and all taxable property located therein is subject to the levy of sufficient taxes to pay the principal of and interest on the bonds without limit as to rate or amount should the assessments prove insufficient.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Market value, 1976-77 \$176,882,925 Assessed valuation, 1976-77 42,916,139 Direct debt, including this issue 743,000 Net direct debt, excluding self-supporting -0-Total direct, overlapping and underlying debt 6,150,413 Direct debt per capita: \$ 56.39 Population, 1970 Census: 13,177 Net direct debt per capita: -0-Total debt per capita: 466.75 Direct debt per acre: 1.54 Area: 483,840 acres Net direct debt per acre: -0-Total debt per acre: 12.71

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MINNEOTA: First State Bank has announced the promotions of Robert L. Nelson from cashier to assistant vice president and Richard J. Moorse from assistant cashier to cashier.

WATSON: Leland H. Winge has purchased controlling interest in the Watson State Bank from Mel Wik. Mr. Winge is the bank's new president and Mr. Wik remains as vice president and chairman. Mr. Winge had been vice president of the Northwestern Bank of Montevideo.

Illinois News

CHEBANSE: A charter has been issued to the Bank of Chebanse, First North Street and Chestnut Street. The state bank's total capitalization of \$600,000 will consist of \$240,000 in both capital and surplus and \$120,000 in reserve. Officers are: Clarence J. Houde, acting chief executive; Ambrose Perreault, vice president, and Kenneth Foreman, assistant cash-

GRANITE CITY: A charter has been issued to American Heritage Bank as a result of its conversion from the American National Bank.

SPRINGFIELD: The Association for Modern Banking in Illinois has announced the first of its Senior

Management Series' conferences entitled "What Should Your Bank's Response Be to EFTS?" The conference is slated for April 24-26 at the Holiday Inn East here. Included will be speakers such as former Comptroller of the Currency James E. Smith, presently executive vice president of First Chicago Corporation; State Senator Prescott E. Bloom, chairman of the EFT commission for Illinois, and Claude Raworth, chief, Electronic Banking Systems, Strategic Studies Department, Offices of the Comptroller, Washington. The agenda begins at 9 a.m., April 24.

Colorado News

The Colorado Senate has passed a bill to allow banks to set up systems of electronic teller machines throughout the state. The bill now goes to the House for further action.

The Senate eliminated an amendment which would have forced banks to accept savings and loan associations and industrial banks into any system initiated by a bank. The bill contains a provision that any bank in the state may join an electronic funds transfer system set up by another bank, but the initiating bank has the option of accepting or rejecting other types of financial institutions. The State Banking Board will set down the rules for establishing the systems.

North Dakota News

CAVALIER: Citizens State Bank of Pembina County recently opened for business here. Citizens State Bank of Neche received approval on

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South Dakota News

PIERRE: Dan Davis has been named assistant vice president and manager of the instalment loan department at the First National Bank. Les Zigler, assistant vice president, has joined the commercial loan department.

STURGIS: The Sturgis Office of the First National Bank of the Black Hills, Rapid City, has announced the election of Jean Bush to operations officer and Rick Brady to instalment loan officer.

Montana News

The Montana Bankers Association has announced that Ronald Reagan will address its annual convention Friday evening, June 24, at Big Sky. Mr. Reagan was governor of California from 1967-74 and 1976 candidate for the Republican nomination for President of the United States. His address will follow the traditional President's Banquet Friday evening, this year in honor of Phil A. Yates, president of the MBA and president, Citizens Bank of Montana, Havre.

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