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Ag Task Force, Regulators in Harmony

A MID an atmosphere of cooperation and understanding, the recently-appointed ABA Ag Task Force met with federal bank regulators in Washington, D.C., last week and agreed to work together through every means possible to maintain a working partnership between the examiners and bankers to help bankers work with their ag customers.

C. Robert Brenton, presidentelect of the ABA and and president of Brenton Banks, Inc., Des Moines, is chairman of the Task Force. An ABA statement after the meeting said "bankers recognize that some farmers will not make it through these troublesome times and will drop out of farming. Bankers have shown their willingness to work with these customers in order to minimize losses until that time when the farmers can voluntarily liquidate and thus receive what remains of their equity. Other farm customers can well survive this economic situation but need a period in which their banker will take every reasonable alternative for working out their financial trouble.'

ABA also pointed to its recent survey which said "delinquencies are growing, but community bankers have relatively few foreclosures compared to other farm lenders. The reason for that is that bankers went beyond the traditional bounds of lending and are counseling and providing more non-credit services. Bankers are reducing interest rates and, in some cases, foregoing earnings in a desire to continue with ag customers with a reasonable chance of success."



The ABA statement said the Task Force "discussed these five considerations with the regulators:

"1. The Ag Task Force believes the best approach is to work in partnership with bank regulators, customers and others to arrive at an acceptable solution within the existing laws and system. Forbearance and cooperation until the economy improves are the keys to overcoming this economic crisis.

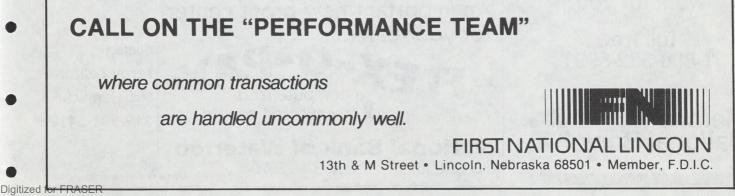
"2. The Task Force believes Congress should be concerned with the U.S. and world economies in recovering from recession and inflation, and not enter into legislative initiatives that would prohibit or delay foreclosure actions on an indiscriminate basis.

"3. The Task Force believes the Administration should pursue every opportunity to expand and develop export markets, and should not disrupt the export market place through the use of economic sanctions. Accordingly, ABA has adopted a resolution imploring the President to refrain from the use of embargoes to achieve certain foreign policy objectives.

"4. Task Force members encourage a continuing dialogue and cooperation between agricultural bankers and federal and state regulators. In this regard, we have agreed to meet with representatives from the regulatory agencies to continue a dialogue between the bankers and the regulators.

"5. We encourage bank regulators to communicate with their field examiners to sensitize them to the concern that bankers need to be given reasonable opportunity to continue with their worthy ag customers during this economic crisis."

There was encouraging evidence of harmony among all participants as the issues of problem ag loans were discussed in a vein of doing everything that can be done within the law to keep farm customers in business. It was agreed that the Task Force and regulators would meet again in six months.





Iowa News

BICS Institute, the education center of Banks of Iowa Computer Services, Inc., is featuring an "Asset Liability Management" seminar on March 16.

Carol Swiger, president of Swiger Consulting Group, Inc., in Reston, Va., will be the instructor for the seminar. Mrs. Swiger has 15 years of experience with financial institutions.

A large turn-out is expected since this is a high interest topic with bankers. Information may be obtained by calling (319) 395-6704.

ALGONA: Paul Johnson, president of the Iowa State Bank, has announced that Dennis J. Besch has been hired as an assistant vice presi-



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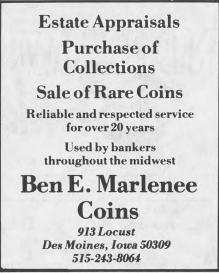


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ANKENY: Kenneth W. Keniston, president of Ankeny National Bank, has announced that the bank has converted to a state chartered financial institution, effective February 25. The bank has also changed its name to Hawkeye-Ankeny Bank and Trust. Ankeny National was purchased by Hawkeye Bancorporation in 1982. In addition, Robert D. Hanes has joined the bank and will be responsible for lending and assets/liability management. He previously was with First State Bank of Chariton as vice president.

CANTRIL: An agreement has been signed by Mona G. Norris, chairman and president of State Savings Bank here, to sell the bank to the holding company which owns Farmers State Bank, Keosauqua. John A. Manning, vice president and cashier of the Keosauqua bank, said the agreement is subject to regulatory approval and may take six months to complete. He said the Cantril bank would not be merged, but continue as a separately chartered bank.

DES MOINES: Sally E. Smith has been elected vice president, sales and service, of Hawkeye Bank & Trust. Ms. Smith joined the bank in 1981 and is responsible for the ATM/CIF, customer servcie, investor center, training, marketing and sales areas.



DUBUQUE: Michael J. Lampo has joined Dubuque Bank & Trust Company as an ag rep. He previously was with Production Credit Association in Wilton for one and a half years.

NEW ALBIN: J.E. Welsh, president of the New Albin Savings Bank, has retired after 62 years of service at the same bank. Albert Fruechte was named president to succeed Mr. Welsh. Also named were Raymond J. Whalen, vice president and cashier, and Barry Fruechte, assistant vice president.

SIBLEY: David D. Vaselaar, executive vice president and trust officer of the Sibley State Bank, has announced that Michael S. Mahlendorf has joined the bank as vice president. He previously was with Citizens State Bank in Donnellson as vice president. Also promoted were: Harris J. Kruse, assistant vice president; Marcia Hilbert, data processing officer, and Pamela Vande Hoef, assistant cashier.

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These bonds are being issued for the purpose of providing funds to pay the costs of the construction of certain improvements and extensions to the Municipal Sewage Works and Facilities, and of the construction of the Boone, Iowa, Street Improvement Project, 1980 #3.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Assessed Valuation, 1983 Actual Valuation, 1983 Net Direct Debt, including this issue Net Direct Overlapping & Underlying Debt Population, 1983 estimate: 12,426 Net Direct Debt: \$428.13 per capita Combined Net Debt: \$454.14 per capita

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ecutive Night" meeting in Bassett on March 17. The main speaker for the evening will be Kathy Votow, correspondent banking officer from the First National Bank & Trust Co., Lincoln. Ms. Votow, who has been on a tour of China, will give a talk and show slides from her tour, on the agriculture conditions in China.

BELLEVUE: At Tri-County Bank & Trust, Lance K. Wise was appointed vice president of the commercial loan department. He joined the bank from First National, Hays, Kansas. John H. Becker, Jr., was also promoted to vice president and will have the responsibility for the newly-formed trust department, personnel, collections and the bank's discount brokerage service.

BLAIR: Blair Bank, Inc., has announced the addition of Lloyd Scheve and John E. Queen as senior vice presidents. Mr. Scheve formerly was vice president of the First Security Bank of Holdrege. Mr. Queen, who will serve as senior loan officer, formerly was with First National Bank of Council Bluffs as vice president and senior loan officer.

MEAD: Bank of Mead has announced the promotion of Jeffry J. Huck to vice president and cashier.



OMAHA: Gregory P. Carlson has been elected vice president and director of human resources, announced John R. Cochran, president of the United States National Bank. Mr. Carlson joins the bank from a Banco affiliate in Bloomington, Minn.

PLAINVIEW: Roger D. Synovec has been promoted from senior vice president to executive vice president of Plainview National Bank. Mr. Synovec has been associated with the bank since 1972. Also, Merle Johansen, who joined the bank in 1980, has been elected assistant cashier and auditor.

Minnesota News

The Minnesota Bankers Association is sponsoring a one day workshop for bank supervisory personnel to be held April 6 in Willmar and April 7 in Owatonna. Pat Coleman will conduct the workshop.

The Twin Cities Chapter of the Bank Administration Institute will be conducting a seminar entitled "Strategies for Handling Conflict and Negotiations," to be held March 17 at the Normandy Inn in Minneapolis.

Program leader is Paul J. Barbick, a performance consultant with Vopatek and Associates in Chicago.



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Directly following the seminar will be the chapter's regular dinner meeting.

MANKATO: John R. Baker has been elected vice president and senior retail banking officer at First Bank Mankato, according to Starr J. Kirklin, president. Mr. Baker started his banking career in 1965 and most recently held the position of vice president of First Bank System, Inc., with responsibilities in operations and cost accounting.

MINNEAPOLIS: David R. Downs, executive director-human resources at Tenneco, Inc., has been elected senior vice president-human resources for Northwest Bancorporation, effective March 7. He succeeds Glen M. Smyth, who resigned in December, 1982.

ST. PAUL: The Metropolitan Bank St. Paul will celebrate the completion of its new Town Square facilities with a week-long grand opening, March 8-11. The new facility occupies both the ground floor and skyway level of Town Square at the

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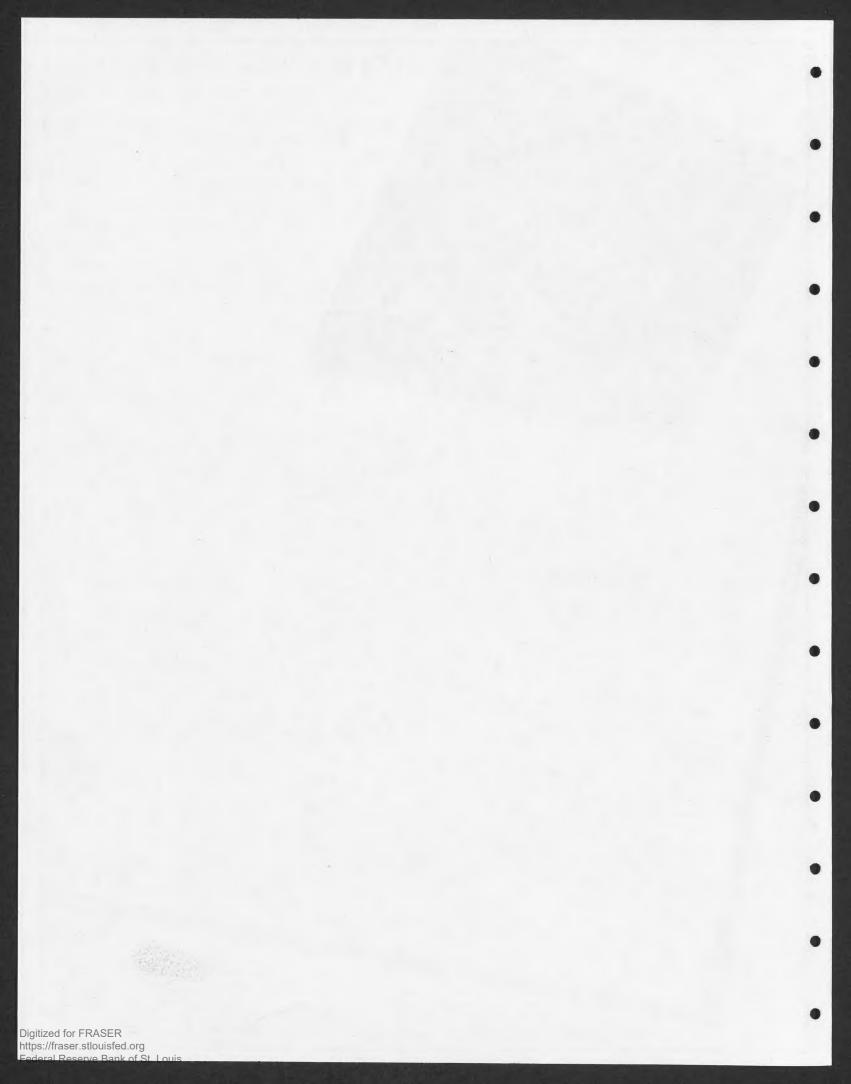
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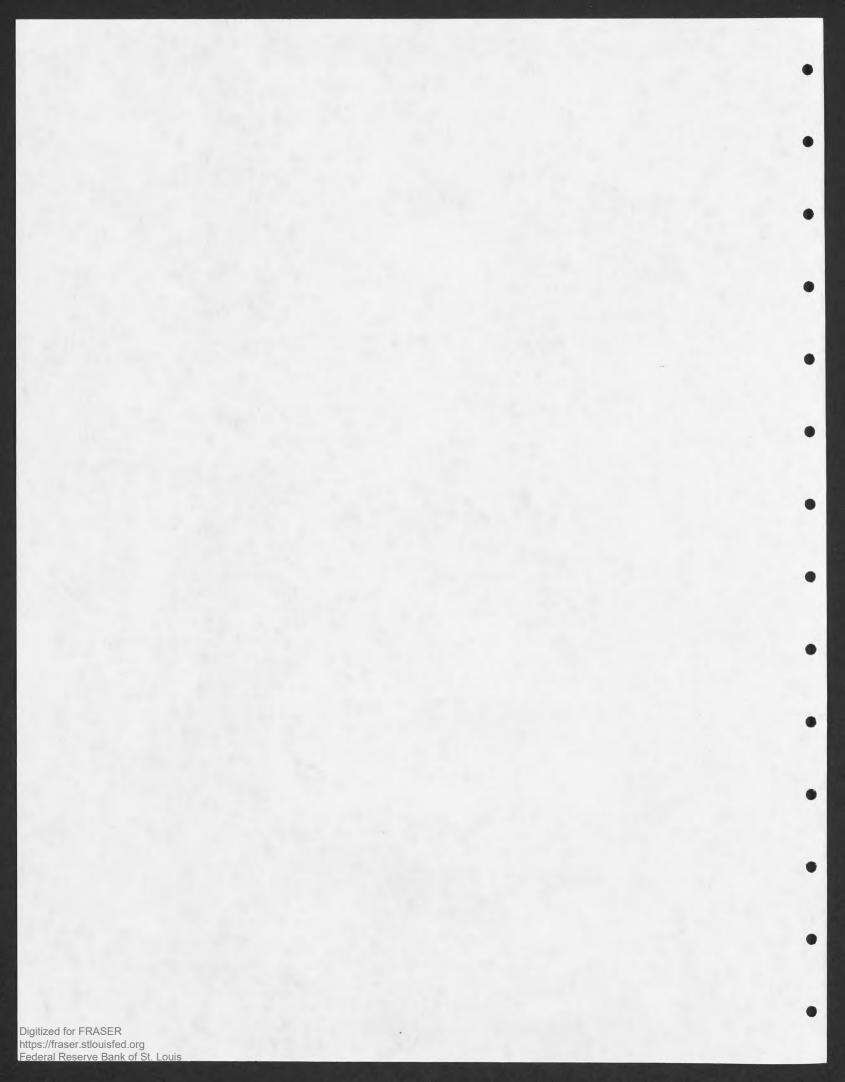
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Illinois News

DEERBROOK: Spyros D. Xintaris, president of Deerbrook Bank, has announced the promotion of Michael Nelson to vice president, loan department, and the election of John Mielecki as auditor. Mr. Nelson is a 16 year veteran of banking, having served in a number of Chicago area banks in a similar capacity. Mr. Mielecki joined the bank in 1982 as a management trainee.

South Dakota News

OKATON: Tom Drew, president of the Frontier Bank in Okaton, has announced the sale of controlling interest in the bank to Gene Hawk and Dennis Fargen of Pierre, associates of Frank L. Farrar. Frontier Bank has a branch in Midland and is in the process of completing a new bank in Murdo. The sale is contingent on the approval of regulatory authorities. No changes in personnel are planned.

North Dakota News

The North Dakota Bankers Association agriculture committee,



under the leadership of Ken Anderson, First National Bank in Minot, has completed plans for its 1983 conference to be held March 16-17 at the Holiday Inn, Fargo.

Registration will begin at 11:30 a.m. on the 16th with luncheon at 12:30. The afternoon program, beginning at 1:20 p.m., will feature Ronald A. Anderson, extension resource economist, North Dakota State University, Fargo, speaking on "Estate Planning Procedures"; Harry J. Argue, executive director of NDBA, giving a "State Legislative Update"; William Harbeke, assistant vice president, First Bank, Valley City, "Midwest Banking Institute/National Advanced Agricultural Banking School," and Pat Henderson, director of public relations, and Don Nelson, director of marketing, Minneapolis Grain Exchange, "Marketing/Futures/Hedging."

The evening banquet will feature guest speaker: Teddy Roosevelt, former president of the United States.

The conference will adjourn at noon on the 17th with the morning session including: "1983 Federal Farm Programs' by Robert Christman, state executive director, North Dakota Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Service, Fargo; "MASI - A New Source of Farm Credit," Edward Tubbs, president, MABSCO Agricultural Services, Inc., and "Legal Documentation of Agricultural Loans" with Edward "Ned" Giles, Attorney, Denver, Colo.

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Wyoming News

LARAMIE: Tom L. Holman has been promoted to vice president at First Interstate Bank of Laramie, N.A. His responsibilities at the bank include agricultural and commercial lending.

ROCK SPRINGS: Kim E. Rosenquist has joined the First Security Bank as vice president, commercial loans. He has more than 12 years banking experience.

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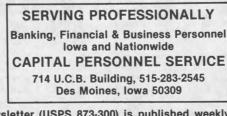
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