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Federal Reserve Acts on Key Issues

A S PART of a complete revision of Regulation Y adopted last Wednesday, the Board of Governors and Federal Reserve System took action on two key issues crucial to banking.



In response to tremendous opposition of the proposed change to Reg Y which would have effectively eliminated stock redemptions by smaller bank holding companies, the Fed rescinded all of the changes previously proposed, and in effect, went back to the original Regulation Y. The only action taken by the Fed to change the present Reg Y was to provide a 30 day notice period instead of 45 days, and to allow the Fed to "disapprove" the action within the 30-day period.

The stock redemption proposal, because of its restrictive standards, would have virtually prohibited stock redemptions by smaller bank holding companies. In protest, hundreds of bankers sent letters to the Federal Reserve in an attempt to stop such a proposal from being adopted. At its meeting Wednesday, the Fed made it clear it had not intended to harm small banks and the outpouring of letters convinced them to back off the proposal.

In other action, the Fed adopted a definition of a bank that will partially close the legal loop-hole used to create so-called non-bank banks. That definition consists of defining demand deposit to include NOW accounts and other transaction accounts, and defining commercial loans to include the purchase of commercial paper, certificates of deposit and bankers acceptances, the sale of federal funds and similar transactions.

This action on the part of the Fed will no doubt meet with great controversy and lead to legal action.

Iowa News

BLOOMFIELD: Iowa Superintendent of Banking Tom Huston, filed a lawsuit last week against United Central Bank of Des Moines, N.A. in connection with the closing last September of the Exchange Bank of Bloomfield. The private bank had \$18 million deposits when it failed and was taken over by the Iowa De-

partment of Banking. The Department's lawsuit alleges that UCB acted "with intent to defraud and deceive" by working with Exchange Bank owners to strengthen UCB's position on loans that it held from the bank and the Burchette family, to the detriment of depositors of the bank. The suit claims UCB acted improperly with "insider information." The suit seeks \$8-\$9 million from UCB to help make up about 50% of depositors' losses.

In responding to the suit, Robert Millen, president of UCB, said, "We have not had adequate time to carefully review the petition filed in the Exchange Bank receivership proceedings, but we are aware of its basic allegations. We believe they are completely unfounded and without merit. Since the matter is now pending in court, our legal council has instructed us not to comment further at this time."

CEDAR FALLS: Tom Wenndt has joined Norwest Bank here as vice president for the agricultural business segment. He previously worked in Tipton, and has been in the agriculture business field for eight years as a loan officer and branch manager of Production Credit Association.

CHARITON: Following the annual stockholders meeting, National Bank & Trust Company announced the election of Gilbert Garton as chairman and chief executive officer

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and Larry Rolfstad as president and chief operating officer. Mr. Garton succeeds Marion M. Coons who recently retired as chairman but will remain as chairman of the newly established executive committee. Mr. Rolfstad formerly was president of Brenton Bank & Trust Company of Vinton. In addition, John Romoser has been promoted to assistant vice president in ag loans.

DES MOINES: AID Securities Corp., a new subsidiary of AID Insurance Services of Des Moines, will open early in January as a full-service brokerage and investment banking firm, with offices located in the Capital Square building. James I. Mackay and Dwayne Streeter, both



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formerly with R.G. Dickinson and Co. in Des Moines, have been elected president and executive vice president of AID Securities, respectively. James E. Weiser is director of municipal and public finance. He previously was a vice president at United Central Bank here.

MANCHESTER: David L. Parmley has joined the staff of First State Bank as vice president. He will primarily be involved with agricultural lending, credit analysis and business development. He previously was employed by the Federal Land Bank, Manchester office, as an assistant vice president.

MUSCATINE: First National of Muscatine and First National in Fairfield have agreed to be acquired by Iowa First Bancshares Corp., a new bank holding company owned by the present shareholders of First National of Muscatine. Stockholders with more than 50% of the shares of the Fairfield bank have agreed to the acquisition. A tender offer will be made for 100% of the stock. The purchases are subject to regulatory approval.

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W. Masey and Daniel J. Hassman as loan officers. Mr. Park, who joined the bank in October of 1983, had been associated with Hawkeye Bank & Trust of Centerville for over 17 years. Mr. Masey has served with banks in Cresco and Manly and most recently was with the State Banking Department. Mr. Hassman started with the Oelwein bank in 1978, working summers while attending college.

WASHINGTON: Logan Heilman, president of Washington State Bank, plans to retire at year end. He started with the bank in 1939. A new president has not yet been named. Also retiring at that time will be Frank Kos, former president and a director for 30 years and Merritt E. McDaniel and E.D. Morrison, Jr., directors for 30 and 20 years respectively.

WINTERSET: Charles G. Crow, 89, died December 10 of a heart ailment. Mr. Crow was the founder of the Union State Bank of Winterset and served as a bank director for 33 years.

Minnesota News

MINNEAPOLIS: Glen R. Walters has been named senior vice president of human resources at First Bank Minneapolis. He succeeds Ross E. Bartz, who has been named senior vice president of administration. Mr. Walters joined the bank in 1967 and had been serving as vice president of international banking. He has also held positions in cor-



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respondent banking and corporate and regional banking. Mr. Bartz joined the bank in 1956 and was named head of personnel in 1966 and senior vice president in human resources in 1976.

Wisconsin News

MADISON: The following people were recently promoted to vice president at United Bank here: Joan Burke, consumer banking; John F. Nelson, investments; Michael D. Gingras, commercial loans, and R.D. Boxchulte, executive banking. In addition, Kim Babler has been named assistant vice president, business development.

WISCONSIN RAPIDS: Steven Bell has been elected president and chief operating officer of the Wood County National Bank, and Mary Ironside has been elected vice president and controller. Mr. Bell succeeds his father Chester Bell, who will continue as chairman and plans to become more involved in the bank's

trust department. Mrs. Ironside has been with the bank since 1977 as internal auditor and later controller.

South Dakota News

YANKTON: James J. Sletten has been named vice president and chief operations officer at American State Bank. Mr. Sletten previously had been serving as deputy superintendent of banking for the State of South Dakota with offices in Pierre. He also has experience as supervisory auditor in the department of legislative audit.

North Dakota News

James G. Walth, president of The Union Bank, Halliday, was elected president of the Independent Community Banks of North Dakota, for 1984, at the organization's annual meeting. John Brown, executive vice president with Farmers& Merchants Bank in Wimbledon, was elected vice president.

GRAFTON: Arthur E. Finck has joined the staff of The First American Bank and Trust of Grafton as vice president, with responsibilities primarily in commercial lending. Mr. Finck has been associated with bank in Bismarck, and Missoula, Mont., with First Bank System and with a bank in Dickinson.

MOORHEAD: Terry W. Anderson has been promoted to vice president in commercial loans at Norwest Bank Moorhead. He joined the bank in 1980 as a commercial loan officer.

WAHPETON: Norwest Bank Wahpeton has named Steven D. Jacobsen senior vice president in loan administration. He most recently was vice president of commercial loans at Norwest Bank Moorhead, which he joined in 1977.

Wyoming News

The 12th Western Agricultural Lenders Institute will be held January 16-18 at the University of Wyoming in Laramie. The University of Wyoming and the Wyoming Bankers Association Agricultural Committee have planned a thorough look at the current state of agricultural





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Tuesday, January 17, will feature talks on Bank Deregulation; Livestock: Present, Past and Future, and World Grain Outlook. Conference attendees will be treated to cocktails and a banquet that evening at the Calvaryman.

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