

OMAHA BANKS GIVE REASONS

Set Forth Their Protest Against the Regional Bank Locations. ASK FOR REVIEW OF DECISION

Also Request that Unless Change is Made in Location, that Wyoming and Nebraska Be in Chicago Division.

Following is the resolution drafted by the Omaha Clearing House association as a result of the meeting held a few days ago, at which it was decided to protest to Secretary of the Treasury McAdoo against the placing of Omaha in the Kansas City district of the regional reserve bank system.

The National banks of Omaha and South Omaha have served the national banks of Nebraska and Wyoming as reserve agents in an acceptable manner for many years. Their preference for Omaha as a federal reserve city is expressed by their votes filed with the organization committee and in our own and their behalf as so recorded we respectfully protest against the inclusion of those states in the Kansas City district, for the following reasons:

"It is against the wishes of the people of the two states. "It is contrary to the long-established channels of trade and commerce. "It is a serious interference with the business interests of those states, and "It is in direct opposition to the language and intent of the federal reserve act.

"The language of the federal reserve act is as follows: "The districts shall be apportioned with due regard to the convenience and customary course of business. "In the states named the flow of exchange and the trend of trade and commerce are to the east, not to the south, and these facts were clearly shown at the hearing before the organization committee at Lincoln.

"At that hearing the committee frequently stated that it did not desire to have testimony offered other than that bearing on the flow of exchange, the trend of trade and commerce and the common point at which the business of the territory centered. The chairman of the committee asserted repeatedly that the law was mandatory by which the committee was controlled, and the committee simply desired to obtain as accurate information as possible on the points referred to.

"The arrangement as made will deprive the business interests of those states of the service and benefits the currency law was intended to give them. "We submit that in the apportionment of our territory that neither the expressed views of the committee nor the plain provisions of the law were complied with.

"We therefore most earnestly ask for a review of the decision of the organization committee of the Federal Reserve board, and, unless after that review Omaha be made a reserve city, we respectfully request that in order to conform to the requirements of the federal reserve act, the states of Nebraska and Wyoming be transferred from the Kansas City district to that of Chicago, where our business naturally goes and where our interests will be effectively served."

the president had completed its formation.

Channels of Trade. He voted what is undoubtedly a common sentiment in Nebraska against the attachment of Nebraska to Kansas City instead of its association with Chicago on the broad line that trade travels east and west and not north and south. Senator Hitchcock told the senate today with a great deal of feeling that the organization committee had made a mistake in locating Nebraska in Kansas City's territory.

Senator Warren of Wyoming emphasized this by saying that so far as the business interests of his state were concerned he would rather have seen a regional bank located at Denver, Salt Lake City or Omaha, which are in a direct line and received a large portion of the business of the northwestern country, or at Chicago.

"We in Wyoming are further off in a business way from Kansas City than we are from Boston, Philadelphia or New York," said Senator Warren, "and it would have been just as proper to make that entire section, in fact, it would have been more proper, to make it tributary to the Boston reserve bank than to the Kansas City bank."

This statement was called forth by Senator Hitchcock's protest against the location of a reserve bank at Kansas City and his resolution calling upon the organization committee to supply the same with full data upon which the committee had based its selection of regional banks and made the district boundaries. The resolution was discussed on the senate floor this morning and will be further considered tomorrow.

Explains His Inaction. Among other things Senator Hitchcock said in his speech today: "I took no part in the effort to locate a regional reserve bank in Omaha. I had a number of motives for not doing so. I felt that it would not be proper to make a personal effort with the men charged with carrying out the law. I am not, therefore, greatly disappointed that a reserve bank was not located in Omaha; but I do feel outraged that my city and my state are directed to do business with a city with which we have no natural banking relations, and I am frank to say that if the bankers of Omaha are compelled to place their reserve in the reserve bank at Kansas City that money will be dead money; it will not lead to the doing of business with Kansas City.

"I have the word of the bankers in my state that business will still be done with Chicago; that drafts will be bought and sold on Chicago, and the great current of trade east and west with Chicago will continue. "It will simply be a detriment and a damage to compel the banks of Nebraska to deposit their money out of their natural territory. So far as Nebraska is concerned the reserve bank with which we must deal might as well be located at Dallas, Tex., as at Kansas City."

Cooke to Go on Farm. Information comes from the Isthmian zone that Colonel Tom M. Cooke of Lincoln, who has been for upwards of ten years one of the most efficient officials at the head of the revenue service, at the time chief of the postoffice service, and in charge of schools on the Isthmus, has resigned his office and will go into the raising of fancy cattle and other live stock upon a farm which he has bought near Pittsburgh, Penn.

Howald to Keep Job. Lee Howald, son of former Isthmian Canal Commissioner Richard L. Metcalfe, said today that Phynney Howard, a son of Edgar Howard of Nebraska, would probably continue in his position as one of the deputies in charge of the customs service, with headquarters at Balboa, on the Pacific side of the canal zone. "Clint" Anderson, ranch owner of Neligh, with his wife, called upon Congressman Kincaid and Stephens today. They are returning home from a trip to Florida and will remain in Washington over Sunday.

Metcalfe Always Willing. (Continued from Page One.) by absence, and I am of a candidate for any office, but the people of Nebraska know that it is an open secret throughout the state that I would rather be governor of Nebraska than hold any other office, and if ever the time comes when there should be a genuine demand for me, I would give very serious consideration to it."

Mr. Metcalfe said he would remain in Washington until January next, when he would go back to the state. He expects to spend a few weeks in New York and Boston, leaving in a few days, but after that he could not tell what the future had in store for him.

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From Our Near Neighbors

Blair. Miss Fanny Laney is visiting her sister in Pawnee City, Neb. A baby boy was born to Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Boyd last Thursday. Attorney Herman Aye of Omaha was in Blair Monday and Tuesday. Attorney Clark O'Neil returned from Excelsior Springs last Monday. Mayor W. D. Haller has designated April 17 as "clean-up" day for Blair. Cashier Pfeiffer of the Arlington National bank was in Blair on Tuesday. Rev. F. E. Volk, the new pastor of the Baptist church, arrived with his family for the spring term.

Elkhorn. Jack McCormick visited in Omaha Monday. Mrs. Fred Clausen entertained for her birthday Friday. Adolph Ott is in Sarpy county doing carpenter work. Mrs. J. Bull entertained several friends Tuesday afternoon. Mrs. Charles Betts of Benson visited relative here Tuesday. C. C. Holling and J. A. Gibbons were Omaha visitors Thursday. Mrs. John Gregerson entertained the Ladies' Kensington Wednesday. Mr. A. L. Litel of Tekamah was in town between trains on Wednesday. Mrs. E. E. Stecker visited with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. B. Baldwin Tuesday. Mr. and Mrs. Lew Bohlen moved to Fremont Wednesday, where they have purchased a home. There will be services at the Methodist Episcopal church Easter Sunday, and a program by the children in the evening. Mrs. C. W. Baldwin and sister, Mrs. Van Camp, came from Omaha Wednesday, where they visited the past week. Miss Emma Noll entertained the C. C. club Thursday. Mrs. J. Schuldt won first prize and Mrs. D. P. Quinn last. A nice lunch was served.

Springfield. Mrs. Grace Miltstead of Peru is visiting relatives here. O. G. Brawner made a business trip to Misquah, returning Tuesday. John Shadendorf returned from California, where he spent the winter. Prof. Simmons has been chosen superintendent of the Springfield school. Mrs. Frank Inholder of Pilger is visiting the Low Nichols' family this week. The local election Tuesday resulted in the election of Dr. A. J. Peters, I. V.

Weeping Water. Mrs. F. E. Thorne and children left Tuesday for Dorchester, Neb., to visit relatives. Miss Elizabeth Page of Nebraska City arrived last Saturday for a week's visit at the W. D. Ambler home. A. B. Gibson returned from Omaha Tuesday. He has been having a cancer removed from his hand. Mrs. J. B. Hengate left the first of the week for David City to attend a meeting of the Federation of Women's clubs. Mrs. John Fitzpatrick, Jr., took her baby to the hospital at Lincoln Saturday to have it treated for spine trouble. Mrs. Fred Wagner of Burwell, Neb., has been visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. I. Armstrong, for the last week. Mrs. Creta Hammer and daughter, Edna, were in Weeping Water last Tuesday. Stayed until Thursday, then they returned on the train. Dr. M. M. Butler entertained the following at a 6 o'clock dinner last week: Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Whitley, Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Tefft, Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Ambler, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Gorder and Mr. and Mrs. Ray Wiley.

Valley. Ronald Foster, who has been very ill with erysipelas for the last two weeks, is improving rapidly. Honorable W. G. Whitmore returned Wednesday from Lincoln, where he spent the first of the week. The regular monthly meeting of the Busy Bees was held in the Doherty hall Wednesday afternoon. Mrs. S. E. Munson of Omaha is spending the week visiting her brother, Dr. J. C. Agee and his sister, Mrs. Kopp. Mrs. Monahan, Mrs. McNeil, Mrs. Klanhammer and Mrs. Wallstrom entertained. The proceeds amounted to over \$21. Mr. and Mrs. Frank Hickson of Omaha, came out Tuesday for a two-days' visit with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Miller. Mrs. Hempstead and Mrs. McKibbin came down from Tilden, Wednesday, and are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Alex Gardiner. The choir of the Methodist Episcopal church assisted by Dumas Wicklund of Byersville and Mrs. Gaines and Mrs. Novotny of Fremont will render "The Crucifixion" by J. Steiner, Friday evening. The Valley fire company held its annual meeting and elected the following officers: John Monahan, president; J. E. Nichols, vice president; Laurence Coy, secretary; T. L. McNish, assistant secretary; R. M. Erway, treasurer; N. E. Johnson, fire chief; J. W. Derthick, assistant, fire chief.

Irvington. Alfred Williams was an Omaha visitor Wednesday. Miss Dolly Magee is on the sick list this week. Mrs. Harris of Benson was an Irvington visitor Wednesday. The funeral services were held at the Methodist Episcopal church Sunday at 10 o'clock, conducted by Rev. Mr. Tuma. Interment was made at the Elk City cemetery beside the older sister who died just one week before. The Board of Education of the Valley public schools elected teachers at the meeting Monday evening. The following are the corps of teachers, most of whom were re-elected: Superintendent, Frank F. Adams; principal, Wauwata Cook; mathematics and science, Irene Brown; German history, Mrs. Loyla Adams; Grades: Grammar, Mrs. Cecil Moore; Intermediate, Hilda Parsons; primary, Edna Weekly; kindergarten, Pearl Hansen; third and fourth grades to be filled.

Bennington. George Dierks was a visitor to Omaha on Monday. Fred Ort took a business trip to South Omaha Friday. Rev. E. Ahrens filled an out-of-town pulpit last Sunday. Mrs. Peter Kroeger celebrated her birthday last Thursday. Mrs. B. L. Seymour and children were Omaha visitors last Saturday. Will Lebbert is at St. Joseph's hospital in Omaha to be operated on for an injury to his arm. Eighth grade examinations for Bennington and surrounding districts were held here Wednesday and Thursday. The next English service at the Woodman hall will be held April 18. Mr. Laidy is now in the east on a vacation trip. At the election Tuesday the following were elected to the town board: C. W. Glantz, August Weiler, Gus Bunn and Henry Dorsocker. Miss Martha Kelle, daughter of Ferd Kelle, and Arthur Stark were quietly married last Saturday. Mr. and Mrs. Stark will reside at Benson. Confirmation exercises were held at Zion's Lutheran church last Sunday. The members of the class were Margarethe Neuhaus, Johanna Kuenemann, William Heitman, Edward Shade and Herman Kuenemann. Mrs. Brannock, sister of Hans Lebbert and Mrs. Claus Ort, died last Friday after a lingering illness. Rev. Rutman of Zion church conducted the funeral services Monday, with interment at Flower Hill cemetery. Dr. W. H. Horton, who was found dead in his auto last Saturday, was well known here, having practiced medicine

Bennington for several years but before moving to Florence. He lived in the house now occupied by John Neil.

A base ball association was formed at a recent meeting held by those interested in the sport. Tim Orr was elected president and Elmer Witte secretary and treasurer. A number of people from here attended the silver wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Charles E. Schneider, which was held at their home north of town on Monday, April 6. Tekamah. Mrs. George B. Warren of Blair was the guest of Tekamah friends a portion of the week. Mr. and Mrs. H. N. Marsh are the parents of a girl baby that came to their home Wednesday. Mrs. Louise Dean was hostess to fourteen women at a 6 o'clock dinner Wednesday evening. H. M. Hopewell, cashier of the Burt County State bank, has been on the list this week with an attack of acute indigestion. W. H. Van Cleave, Tekamah's band instructor, went to Craig Tuesday evening and assisted in organizing a band at that place. Ralph Conkling and a chorus of Tekamah singers will give an Easter cantata in the High school auditorium on Sunday evening. Mr. Conkling is an able conductor for a musical chorus and Tekamah people are expecting some choice music. The Knights Templar are anticipating a fine time at the Easter Sunday service in Tekamah. After the sermon, which will be delivered by Rev. Mr. MacGregor at the Methodist church, they plan on serving dinner at their lodge rooms to the various visiting members of the commandery. Boley. Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Powers of Lincoln are in Tekamah this week, called here to attend the funeral of Burt Hopewell, a brother of Mrs. Powers. Mr. Hopewell's home has been at Boley for several years and his death came suddenly. The body arrived Friday in Tekamah and will be buried Saturday morning, funeral services taking place at the Methodist church. To the other citizens of Burt county Mr. Hopewell was well known. He was a brother of Olin Hopewell and a half brother of H. M. Hopewell and the late Judge H. M.

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