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THURSDAY, JUNE 2, 1955

NEEDED: A GUARANTEED ANNUAL MARKET

The unions, in their drive for the guaranteed annual wage, ignore the fact that a necessary concomitant is a guaranteed annual market for the products of industry. Industry can pay wages or any other costs in one way — by selling goods and dividing up the receipts. The richest company on earth wouldn't last long if it could not adjust its overhead expense in order to compensate for sales changes caused by seasonal or other factors. No one has found a way to make the consumer either guarantee how much he'll spend over a given time, or guarantee where, then, and how he'll spend it.

Actually, of course, the guaranteed annual wage (which could more accurately be described as a plan to pay people their regular wages for not working) would throw a road block in the way of industrial development and increased employment. Employers would be reluctant to grow and increase their labor force — for the reason that, if scales sagged for any reason, they would still have to meet a full payroll.

URGENTLY NEEDED good home for shy female terrier puppy, 3 months old, tan with white. Couple preferred or family without small children. Mrs. Howard Lemmons. Call 27-J or 360. 9-1c

Quarterly Meeting of Sheep & Goat Raisers In Kerrville Saturday

San Angelo — The summer quarterly meeting of the Texas Sheep and Goat Raisers' Association will be held in Kerrville, Saturday, June 4, R. W. Hodge, Del Rio, TS&GRA president has announced. Headquarters will be at the Blue Bonnet Hotel.

All meetings, both committee and general, will be held at Tivy High School instead of at the hotel and County Court House as previously announced, Hodge said. Committees will meet beginning at 9:00 a. m. and the general meeting will be convened at 1:00 p. m.

"The officers and several committees have been very busy since the March meeting and a report covering all these activities will be given," Hodge said.

"I am very anxious that our many members in the Kerrville area as well as non-members attend this meeting."

A supper and dance is planned by the Kerrville people for Friday night at the Blue Bonnet and a barbecue in Mary Hays Park will be given Saturday noon.

Persons desiring rooms should

write or call the Kerrville Chamber of Commerce which is taking care of meeting arrangements.

SMALL DARK CLOUD

Nation's Business observes that "the local income tax is a small dark cloud looming larger on the local tax horizon." More than 400 American communities with a total population of 7,500,000 are levying a tax of some kind on incomes. Collections run over \$1000,000,000 a year.

This is simply another example of overlapping taxation — and of the fact that the public should give far more attention to local financial problems than is generally the case. State and local tax collections are climbing ominously. This year state after state increased existing taxes and passed new ones. In some areas that will offset, or nearly so, the much-publicized income tax reductions made by the 1954 Congress.

LOST — Suit box containing bathroom curtains and wrapped gift package. Lost from car trunk somewhere in Ozona. Finder please return to the Stockman office. 1c

Phone News to The Stockman

WINS FASHION AWARD

Columbia, Mo. — Miss Jeannene Thompson of Ozona received the junior student Certificate of Award from the Fashion Department at Stephens College for significant progress and achievement within the department. The award was announced at the annual Honors Convention on Saturday, May 28, in connection with Commencement activities.

Miss Thompson is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Thompson.

NOTICE OF

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I am offering

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for apprehension and conviction of guilty parties to every theft of livestock in Crockett County — except that no officer of Crockett County may claim the reward.

V. O. Earnest
Sheriff, Crockett County

Methodist W. S. C. S. Holds Business Meet

Mrs. S. M. Harvick, new president of the Methodist Woman's Society of Christian Service, presided at the first meeting since her election, a business session held Wednesday morning at the church. Mrs. Madden Read led the devotional on the topic, "The Purpose of the Woman's Society."

Mrs. B. B. Ingham, Sr., opened the meeting with prayer. Mrs. Charles Williams, secretary for children's work, reported that

plans were being made for a vacation Bible school this summer.

The Society will meet for a program session Wednesday, June 15.

Present for the business meeting were Meses. J. A. Fussell, W. D. Cooper, V. I. Pierce, Ralph Jones, B. B. Ingham, Sr., L. B. Cox, Jr., Madden Read, S. M. Harvick, Pete Jacoby, H. B. Tandy, Taylor Word, Charles Williams, Sr., O. D. West, Floyd Henderson, George Harrell, A. S. Lock and Frank McMullan.

SOMETHING NEW AT

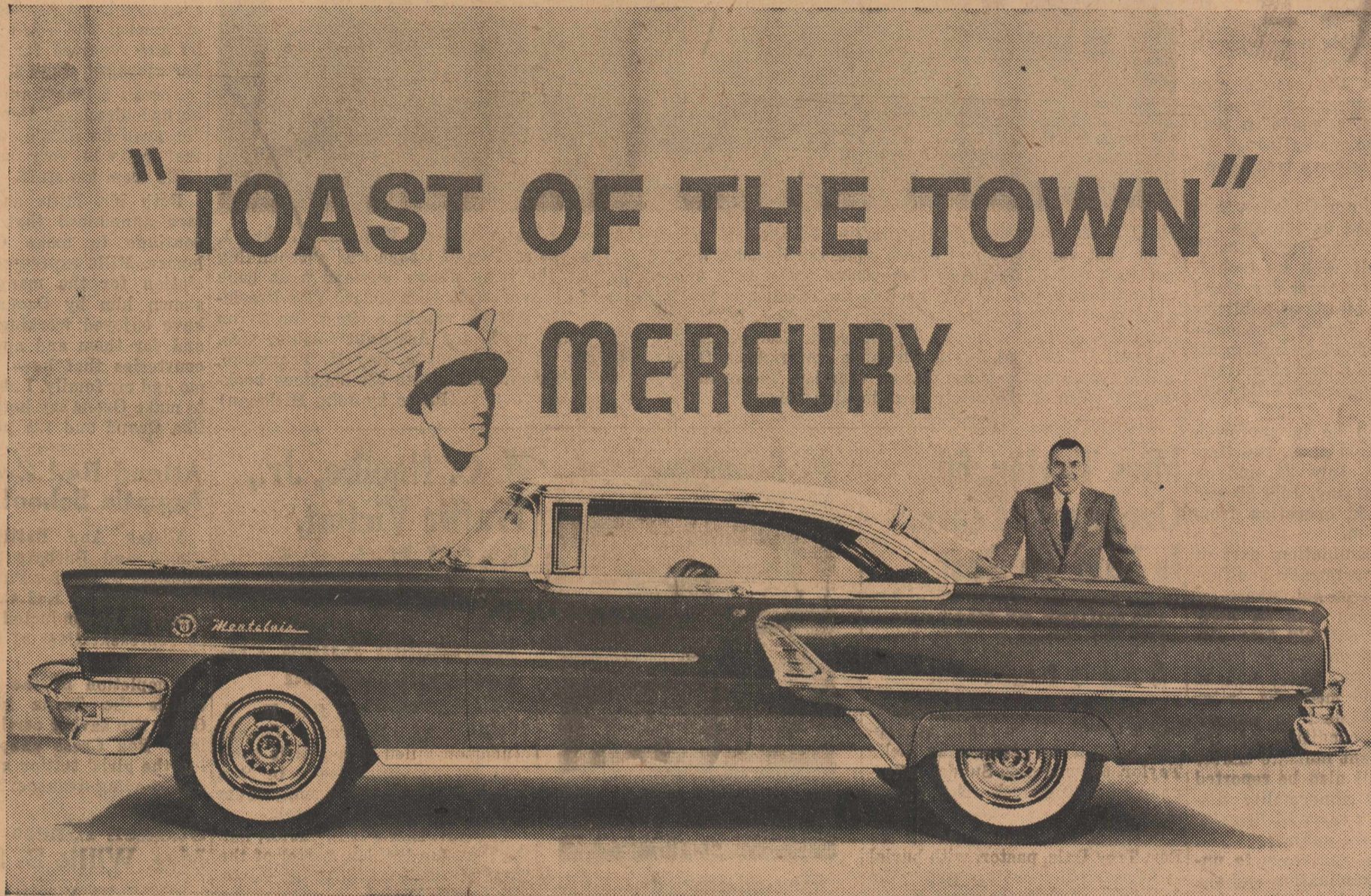
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Small Cultivated Fields Seen Asset To Ranch Operation

Sam Fitzhugh, SCS

Intensive grazing of small cultivated fields can be a valuable conservation tool. Grasses can be planted and allowed to grow to maximum production before use is made of them. By utilizing the total production in a short period of time with a large number of livestock, maximum production is possible on small fields. At the same time large acreages of pasture can be rested in order to obtain maximum production and improvement of the native grasses. In contrast to this type of management only a few head of stock can be carried on the field when allowed to graze it continuously.

In the local Crockett Soil Conservation District, Charles E. Davidson, Jr., used a 29 acre field to defer sizeable pasture acreages this past year. Frank McMullan also made good range recovery in some of his pastures by utilizing a 51 acre field. W. P. (Bill) Conklin put 250 lambs on six acres of level border irrigated grasses for 60 days last fall.

Grass trips running water, makes it walk, and work much longer before it reaches the ocean.

Miss Wanda Watson has returned to her home here after several weeks in Austin at the bedside of her niece, Miss Wanda Carden, who suffered serious injuries in an automobile accident in Austin. Miss Carden, a student in the University of Texas, spent 7 weeks in an Austin hospital but is now in San Antonio with her parents, Lt. Col. and Mrs. Henry H. Carden. Colonel Carden is now stationed at Fort Sam Houston in San Antonio.

Mr. and Mrs. T. L. Nelson, Sr., are moving back to Ozona from Arizona and Mr. Nelson will work for Troy Williams on the Hoover farm. They have been visiting here with their son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Lee Nelson and son, Dale.

WANTED — Horses of any kind. Ottist Pridmore. Phone 28-J

COMMUNITY HOUSE NEWS

The Ozona Community House Kindergarten closed May 19, with a Picnic in which both children and parents shared. After a delicious dinner the company enjoyed a showing of colored slides.

The Explorer Scout Troop entertained their friends at a dinner at the Community House the evening of May 14. Mr. and Mrs. Tambunga, Mr. and Mrs. John Hobaugh and Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Tubbs were honor guests. Mr. Hobaugh added much to the enjoyment of the group in his capacity as Toastmaster. The Rev. Father Howard Myers gave an inspiring address.

The members of the Intermediate Play Group proved they could work as well as play when they gathered at the Community House recently and scrubbed the wading pool and did some cleaning on the "Triangle" in front of the House. We enjoy the improved appearance.

The Community House Vacation School will open at nine o'clock the morning of June 13. There will be classes for four and five-year-olds, another for six, seven and eight-year-olds and a third class for nine, ten and eleven-year-olds. All children within these age limits are cordially invited.

There will be a sale of used clothing at the Community House Saturday morning, June 4, at nine o'clock.

Ozonan Is Graduated From Leaders School

BIGGS AFB — Staff Sergeant Sergio Martinez, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ernesto Martinez, Ozona, recently received a diploma upon his graduation from Biggs AFB, leadership school.

Selected for the school because of his leadership potential, Sergeant Martinez, received in addition to intensive military training, instruction in leadership, management, speech and other subjects during the two-week course.

Sergeant Martinez entered the Air Force September of 1951 and is now assigned to the 810th Food Service Squadron, Biggs AFB, a member of the Strategic Air Command.

Pure Oil Stakes Pure-Bean Stepout

Pure Oil Co. has filed application to drill its No. 5-S Bean Consolidated ¼-mile southeast of production in the Pure Bean field of Crockett County, 8½ miles northwest of Ozona.

The project will be drilled with cable tools to 1,500 feet, with operations beginning June 2.

Location, on a 3,137.3-acre lease, is 2,330 feet from the north and 350 feet from the west lines of 64-OP-GC&SF.

Pure Oil Co. has filed application to change location on its No. 43-S R. L. Vaughan, 10 miles northwest of Ozona.

The project, ¾-mile northwest of production in the Pure-Bean field, will be drilled with cable tools to 1,500 feet.

Location, on a 2,680.6-acre lease, is 834 feet from the north and 356 feet from the east lines of 82-OP-GC&SF.

Mr. and Mrs. Philip Schneemann and children are here from Grants, N. M., for a visit with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Max Schneemann and Mr. and Mrs. Fleet Coates, and other relatives.

JONES' Little PLUMBER

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We are happy to join your many other friends in extending sincere congratulations on your 50th ANNIVERSARY. The Ozona National Bank has had an impressive role in the growth and progress of your area and is an outstanding asset to your community.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

Ozona National Bank, Crockett county's financial and business nerve center, observes its fiftieth anniversary this week. It was on June 1, 1905, that the bank, today one of the strongest institutions in its class in the country, opened for business in the rear of a local drug store and by the day's end had counted nearly \$13,000 in initial deposits.

From that modest beginning, the bank, organized and financed by Crockett county people, the very pioneers who pegged down their futures in a virgin land to carve a livestock empire for future generations, has enjoyed a phenomenal growth through the years, and has played one of the most important roles in this community's development and continued growth.

Its policies and practices set by men who were close to the problems of the community's business life, by the very men who lived and worked to wrest sustenance from the soil and from the area commerce, the bank has, through the years, served with particularly penetrating understanding the needs of its patrons and by this very understanding approach, has played one of the most important roles in the economic development of the territory it serves. By knowing first hand the problems of the man out on the ranch, for instance, the banker has been in position to know and understand his problems and needs and to advise with fore knowledge on the solution of such problems. In like manner, through neighborly interest and understanding, the bank's home personnel has served well in the development of business in the town of Ozona.

The Ozona National has grown and prospered through its first fifty years as has this segment of West Texas it serves. Through wise leadership and patient understanding, liberal support of community development and a spirit of helpful service to its customers, the bank has earned its honored place in Crockett county life and all of us join in a birthday salute to its officers, directors, and employes and wish for it many more successful years in service to this community.

Adding machines at the Stockman

*50th
Anniversary*



FINANCIAL COLOSSUS of Crockett is housed in modern quarters behind the impressive pillars which form the outstanding features of the 50-year-old building housing the Ozona National Bank. The bank this week is observing its fiftieth anniversary in Ozona, a financial giant of today in sharp contrast with its modest beginning a half century ago in the rear of a downtown drug store. Although its walls are of ancient rock, the bank has been given successive face-liftings until today, with its glass front and polished pillars, its modern exterior, and interior, belie its years. (Photo by Troy Hickman)

OZONA NATIONAL SCALES BANKING HEIGHT AFTER MODEST BEGINNING

From First Day Deposits of \$12,000 To 5 Million Today

Capitalized at \$50,000 in 1905, the Ozona National Bank threw open its doors for business on June 1, and when the first day's deposits were locked up for the night they totalled \$12,847.85. The banking business was transacted in quarters in the rear of the Smith Drug Store until the new banking house was completed in the fall of 1905.

Crockett County's astonishing little atom of a bank 50 years ago, which closed the year 1905 after seven months of business with deposits of \$60,318.01, today has become a powerful and secure financial institution in the community, with deposits hovering around the five million dollar mark. And as a community's finances fluctuate in ranch selling seasons and periods of increased business activities, the deposits have climbed above the six million mark in recent years.

Among the depositors who placed their monies in the hands of

Cashier J. B. Reilly on that memorable opening day of 1905 were B. F. Anderson, E. W. Bennett, A. M. Buck, L. B. Cox, S. E. Couch, Walter Kyle, J. B. Moore, R. Nealey, Ozona Hardware Co., J. B. Reilly, West & Smith, Pink Wyatt, S. W. Westfall, D. S. Williams and J. D. Young.

At the close of the year 1905, the bank's statement showed surplus and undivided profits to be \$3,231.77. In the bank's last statement of condition, at the close of business on April 11, 1955, the combined total of these two items had reached \$377,311.42, with \$100,000 in surplus and \$277,311.42 in undivided profits. For many years past the bank has been paying a semi-annual dividend of 10 percent to stockholders.

In April 1913, the capital stock was increased from \$50,000 to \$100,000, the only increase in capital stock which has been made to date. At that time, Robert Massie was president and Elam Dudley, cashier.

A glimpse into the origin and inauguration of the Ozona National Bank is shown in the photograph on the opposite page. (Continued on last Page-Sec. 2)



RANCHER-BANK PRESIDENT Wayne W. West, who has a private office in the bank but who is 'approachable' anywhere you find him, sits informally in front of the desk of Active Vice President Lowell Littleton to confer with a customer (Victor Murray of El Paso). Mr. Littleton waits behind his desk for the conference to end to attend business of his own. (Photo by John Hickman)

GEO. H. (JACK) NEILL, President
CLAYTON HAMILTON, Cashier

L. W. ELLIOTT, Chairman of the Board
JOE M. VANDER STUCKEN, Vice President
LEA ROY ALDWELL, Vice President

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ANNIVERSARY

1905 - - - 1955

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Directors
of The

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L. RUST	— President First Federal Savings & Loan Association
W. S. STEVENSON	— Vice-President, President National Farm Loan Association of Del Rio
J. O. TAYLOR, JR.	— Ranching
J. AUTREY WALKER	— Executive Vice-President
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JNO. R. JOHNSON	— Secretary

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GEO. RUSSELL, JR.

Assistant Cashier



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That we shall continue to do our utmost for you goes without saying. We hope you will come in as often as you can; and if you have any suggestions for making our services more valuable to you, we shall welcome your recommendations.

OZONA NATIONAL BANK

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Ozona National

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tional Bank reveals some very interesting facts. Minutes of the first meeting for organization, held on April 29, 1905, state that on motion duly made, L. B. Cox was named chairman and J. B. Reilly was named secretary.

Present at this initial meeting and named directors were J. W. Henderson, L. B. Cox, J. B. Moore, J. B. Reilly, John Young, Robert Massie, W. P. Hoover, S. E. Couch and Dr. A. W. Clayton. At the first directors' meeting held on April 29, 1905, in the offices of Dr. A. W. Clayton, J. W. Henderson was named president, L. B. Cox, vice-president and J. B. Reilly cashier.

It was at this meeting that plans were discussed and arrangements completed for the construction of a bank building — the building which now houses the bank. The offer of L. B. Cox to sell lots 3 and 4 in block 71 for \$1,000 was accepted. Then it was ordered that L. B. Cox and J. B. Reilly be appointed to a building committee to select plans and to proceed with the building of a banking house on such lots.

The next motion which was duly carried reveals the interesting connection whereby the second floor of the bank building was acquired by the Masonic Lodge for its quarters.

The minutes record that on motion duly made it was ordered "that contract herein outlined with Ozona Lodge No. 747, A. F. & A. M., be adopted, namely, that the bank sell to the lodge the N. 11 feet of block 4 and the right to build a lodge hall over said bank, the bank to build the lower story and up to one-half of the flooring joists, and to give the lodge the right of entrance not over 4 feet in width in the west end of building with a door near the S. W. corner of said building, the lodge to build second upper story and roof it, all to be done according to plans of Oscar Ruffini, architect. (Ed. Note—Pioneer architect Ruffini of San Angelo also drew plans for the Crockett courthouse)

Meetings of the Board of Directors of the bank were not held very often in those days as is evidenced by the fact that the



GUIDING THE DESTINIES of a modern bank in the present-day complicated business world is the job of Lowell Littleton, active vice president of the Ozona National Bank. Mr. Littleton is well equipped, however, because of his many years of experience with the local bank, plus a few years as a bank examiner. Mr. Littleton was named to the bank's board of directors last week to fill the vacancy created by the resignation of J. M. Baggett. (Photo by John Hickman)

next meeting following this one on the 29th of April, was not held until July, and the third meeting in October.

The bank's statement of condition at the close of business on December 30, 1905, shows deposits at \$60,318.01 whereas loans totaled \$80,759.82. By comparison, loans at the April 11 call stood at \$1,357,857.99 while deposits were \$4,908,056.24. In the early days, and in fact, to only a few years ago, bankers say, it was the custom of most banks to lend all the money they could lay hands on.

Active management of the bank business today is in the hands of Lowell Littleton, active vice president, and named only last Saturday to the board of directors succeeding J. M. Baggett, who resigned because he plans to be away much of the time in his summer home in Ruidosa, N. M. Other officers are W. W. West, president; Roy Henderson, vice president; J. W. Howell, cashier; Roy H. Thompson, assistant cashier, and Geo. Russell, Jr., assistant cashier. Directors are P. L. Child-

OZONA NATIONAL BANK	
(First Statement)	
At the close of business	
December 30, 1905	
RESOURCES	
Loans	\$80,759.82
Overdrafts	766.74
Banking House	5,571.43
Furniture & Fixtures	1,618.95
Premium on Bonds	1,100.00
Five Percent Fund	1,850.00
U. S. Bonds	25,000.00
Cash	21,882.84
	\$138,549.78
LIABILITIES	
Capital Stock	50,000.00
Surplus & Undivided	
Profits	3,231.77
Circulation	25,000.00
Deposits	60,318.01
	\$138,549.78

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