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REPORT OF THE CONDITION OF THE Alma State Savings Bank

AT ALMA, MICHIGAN

at the close of business August 31st, 1918, as called for by the Commissioner of the Banking Department.

RESOURCES

LOANS AND DISCOUNTS, viz:

Commercial	
b Unsecured	\$206,221.13
c Items in transit	5,010.14
Total	\$211,231.27
Savings	
a Secured by collateral	\$33,492.54
b Unsecured	30,119.82
Totals	\$63,612.36
BONDS, MORTGAGES AND SECURITIES, viz:	
Savings	
a Real Estate Mortgages	\$160,782.79
Total	\$160,782.79

RESERVES, viz:

Commercial	
Due from banks in Reserve	\$26,750.50
Cities	5,276.02
Exchanges for clearing house	3,866.00
Currency	711.20
Silver Coin	98.45
Nickels and Cents	36,702.17
Savings	
Due from Banks in Reserve	\$38,193.37
U. S. Bonds and Cert. of Ind. carried as legal reserve	31,200.00
Currency	11,500.00
Gold Coin	4,345.00
Silver Coin	1,800.00
Nickels and Cents	355.00
Totals	\$87,398.37
COMBINED ACCOUNTS, viz:	
Overdrafts	291.54
Banking House	15,000.00
Furniture and Fixtures	5,000.00
Outside Checks and other Cash	2,678.45
Items	582,696.95
Total	\$582,696.95

LIABILITIES

Capital Stock paid in	\$40,000.00
Surplus Fund	10,000.00
Undivided Profits, net	6,806.55
COMMERCIAL DEPOSITS, viz:	
Comm'l Deposits sub. to ck.	\$215,941.23
Demand Cert. of Deposit	1,911.90
Certified Checks	43.75
Cashier's Checks	100.00
Total	\$214,196.88
SAVINGS DEPOSITS, viz:	
Book Accounts—subject to Savings	By-Laws \$79,937.49
Certificates of Deposit—Subject to Savings By-Laws	231,756.03
Total	\$311,693.52
Total	\$582,696.95

STATE OF MICHIGAN, County of Gratiot, ss.
I, Karl R. Adams, Cashier of the above named bank, do solemnly swear, that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief and correctly represents the true state of the several matters therein contained, as shown by the books of the bank.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 19th day of Sept., 1918.
My commission expires Nov. 2, 1921.
Correct attest:

KARL R. ADAMS, Cashier.
H. M. GLASS, Notary Public.
WILLIAM A. BAHLKE,
GEO. C. PARSONS,
E. A. BAGLEY,
Directors.

VESTABURG ITEMS

By Our Own Correspondent

Mrs. Willard Mallory, sister, Mrs. Anna Hamlin, and nephews, Delbert and L. D. Hamlin, were called to Blanchard September 10 by the death of Mr. Mallory's brother.

Willard Mallory, who has been spending sometime in Blanchard with his sick brother, returned home after the funeral, but has gone back to help his nephew build a new residence.

Harry Owen, druggist, who is in the service in Georgia, spent from Tuesday until Saturday here with his mother and other relatives. Harry says he likes his work. He is in the medical department.

Mrs. Nellie Owen and son, Harry, visited in Alma part of Tuesday and Wednesday.

Mrs. Della Sutton spent Saturday in Alma.

A daughter was born to Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Howay Saturday, September 14th.

Mrs. Conley Stauffer spent Saturday in Alma.

The little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Greenhoe is sick.

Miss Zora Manley and brothers, Arthur and Ernest went to Detroit Saturday to join their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Manley, who are staying there while their son, Donald, is recovering from an operation.

Herbert Smith went to Detroit Tuesday.

Miss Ella Manley spent Saturday in Riverside at the home of her brother, Claude Manley.

Miss Gladys Harris was home from Six Lakes over Sunday.

Mr. Snyder and son, Frank, who have been here visiting Mr. and Mrs. David Derusha and other friends returned to their home in Jackson last Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. James Shaw and baby of Sumner were Thursday visitors of their cousin, Mrs. M. J. Briggs.

The worst fire Vestaburg has had since the burning of the elevator, occurred on Monday afternoon, September 16, when Clarence Gregory lost his stock of hardware and his father-in-law lost his household furnishings, when the large two-story building which they rented of J. E. Harding caught fire and burned to the ground in a very short time. Mr. Gregory says he had lighted his torch to do some soldering and on leaving the room a few minutes, returned to find the room ad in flames. He thinks the torch must have exploded as the fire spread so rapidly. Nothing to speak of was saved in the hardware store, the discovering the fire Mr. Gregory rushed up-stairs to notify his wife, little son and mother-in-law, who were in the latter's residence and telling them to grab something and run. He rushed down stairs but was too late to save the money in the till but by rushing through the fire he managed to close his safe and save valuable papers and books. He got out with only a few slight burns. His wife and mother could not stay to pick up things as it was necessary for them to take the little one and get to safety as the fire was cutting off their escape by this time and only six articles were saved. By heroic work on the part of our citizens, all of the business places, residences and other buildings which were in great danger were saved, even after some had caught fire. Rev. Bartlett and others were quite badly blistered. Mr. Gregory only had insurance of \$2,000 on his \$6,000 stock of hardware. Mr. Troop had insurance of \$500 on his household goods.

Mrs. VanNorman entertained company from Detroit last week. The Misses Alma and Alma Welford of Crystal visited with Mrs. L. F. Tucker Monday.

George Moody of Park Lake was in town Monday.

Wesley Sandall of Spokane, Wash., has been calling on old friends and relatives in this vicinity the past two weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Mills visited their daughter, Mrs. Mary Knapp, and family near Owosso the first of the week.

Mr. and Mrs. Alex Henry entertained the male quartette from Coe Monday evening.

Miss Clara Hamilton of Saginaw spent the week with her parents, Mrs. Lucinda Campbell of Shepherds is visiting relatives in this vicinity.

Mr. and Mrs. Verne Knapp and three children returned to their home in Coleman Monday after a few days visit with relatives here.

A reunion of the Vanderbeck family was held at the town hall Saturday, September 14. A pot-luck dinner was served and the day was very pleasantly spent in visiting.

Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Wood and family of Elm Hill came Saturday to attend the Vanderbeck reunion. Mr. Wood returned home Sunday but Mrs. Wood will spend the week with relatives here.

NOTICE OF DISSOLUTION OF CO-PARTNERSHIP
The copartnership heretofore existing as Shepard & Crapo Company and Shepard & Crapo in the city of Alma, Michigan, is this day dissolved by mutual consent. Victor H. Shepard will continue the business and will close all matters up concerning the copartnership. Payments on all land contracts are to be made to him.

As to the renewal of any fire insurance policy either party is open to secure it.
Dated at Alma, Michigan, August 30th, 1918.
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Will Peach has returned from Coldwater where he has been employed during the summer.
Mr. and Mrs. Frank Tucker of Alma spent the week end visiting with their parents here.
Charles Pique is in Owosso on business this week.

REPORT OF THE CONDITION OF THE First State Bank

AT ALMA, MICHIGAN

at the close of business August 31, 1918, as called for by the Commissioner of the Banking Department.

RESOURCES

LOANS AND DISCOUNTS, viz:

Commercial	
a Secured by collateral	\$141,477.15
b Unsecured	301,332.26
c Items in transit	35,337.28
Totals	\$478,146.69
Savings	
a Secured by collateral	\$49,000.00
b Unsecured	83,957.67
Totals	\$132,957.67
BONDS, MORTGAGES AND SECURITIES, viz:	
Savings	
a Real Estate Mortgages	\$330,401.05
d U. S. Bonds and Cert. of Ind. in Office	45,270.00
f War Savings and Thrift Stps	213.96
Totals	\$381,625.01

RESERVES, viz:

Commercial	
Due from Banks in Reserve	\$96,264.26
Cities	5,556.88
Exchanges for clearing house	4,891.00
Currency	692.50
Silver Coin	3,122.40
Nickels and Cents	793.61
Totals	\$106,319.85
Savings	
Due from Banks in Reserve	\$31,022.23
U. S. Bonds & Cert. of Ind. carried as legal reserve	60,000.00
Currency	21,500.00
Gold Coin	10,500.00
Totals	\$123,022.23
COMBINED ACCOUNTS, viz:	
Overdrafts	\$602.49
Banking House	25,000.00
Furniture and Fixtures	5,000.00
Other Real Estate	5,189.52
Outside Checks and other Cash	59.70
Items	\$1,257,023.16
Total	\$1,257,023.16

LIABILITIES
Capital stock paid in \$50,000.00
Surplus Fund 40,000.00
Undivided Profits, net 7,272.95
Dividends Unpaid 8.00

COMMERCIAL DEPOSITS, viz:
Comm'l Deposits subject to ck. \$373,410.85
Demand Certificates of Deposit 30,925.22
Certified Checks 354.38
Total \$404,890.45

SAVINGS DEPOSITS, viz:
Book Accts.—Subject to Savings By-Laws \$174,021.99
Certificates of Deposit—Subject to Savings By-Laws 439,352.62
Total \$613,374.61

Notes and Bills Rediscounted \$141,477.15
Total \$1,257,023.16

STATE OF MICHIGAN, County of Gratiot, ss.
I, Carl H. Washburn, Cashier of the above named bank, do solemnly swear, that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief and correctly represents the true state of the several matters therein contained, as shown by the books of the bank.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this ninth day of September, 1918.
My commission expires March 7, 1922.
Correct attest:

CARL H. WASHBURN, Cashier.
J. S. KNOERTZER, Notary Public.
LESTER A. SHARP
P. M. SMITH
CHAS. G. RHODES,
Directors.