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RESERVE SYSTEM'S DIVIDENDS ANALYZED

Bankers Find Increased Payments to Member Banks Would Be Small Inducement.

Various proposals that member banks in the Federal Reserve System net earnings through an increase in the dividend rate above the present fixed 6 per cent "would be a very small financial inducement" to them, it is declared in a recent study of this subject by the Economic Policy Commission of the American Bankers Association. This is bown, the cambesion says, by a theoretical forecast, on the basis of the past six years, of calditional earnings that would be disbursed to member banks during the next six years under two plans introduced in bills before the United State:

"The Fletcher bill provides that Federal Reserve Bank earnings, after present 6 per cent dividends to members and completion of a 100 per cent surplus, should all be distributed at extra dividends to the stockholde banks," the report says. "If the earlings of each Federal Reserve built were distributed among its own meanbers there would be no extra diviadelphia, Cleveland, Chicago and San Francisco districts during the next six years, but the other six Federal Reserve Banks would pay annual ex- of the Davidson estate. tras at the following rates: Richmond, 6.08 per cent; Atlanta, 4.09 per cent; St. Louis, 3.50 per cent; Minneapolis, 9.51 per cent; Kansas City, 5.48 per cent; Dallas, 4.83 per cent.

"If the earnings were pooled and 1 dout to all members in all districts each member would receive an avor age annual extra dividend of .78 per cent. Under this plan no franchies tax as now would be paid by the Federal Reserve Banks to the Federal

Another Plan Analyzed The Glass bill would provide that, after present 6 per cent dividends one-half the remainder should be paid dend with the residue going to surplus and Federal Government as franchise tax. The average annual extras to members would be as follows: Boston District, 2.51 per cent: New York, ,48 per cent; Philadelphia, 2.05 per cent; Cleveland, 2.09 per cent; Richmond, 3.26 per cent; Atlanta, 4.67 per cent; Chicago, 3.20 per cent; St. Louis, 2.02 per cent; Minneapolis, 4.75 per cent; Kansas City, 2.74 per cent; Dallas, 3.31 per cent; San Francisco, 1.87 per cent.

"If these extra funds were pooled the result would be an extra average annual dividend of 1.73 per cent for each member. Under this plan the system would still pay as now an annual franchise tax, amounting to \$1,941,996 on the average."

By way of concrete instance, the report says, a member bank having capital and surplus of \$200,000, therefore holding Federal Reserve Bank stock amounting to \$6,000 on which it is receiving \$360 under the present 6 per cent dividend arrangement, would with the addition of each 1 per cent to the dividend rate receive an additional income of \$60 a year.

"If each member bank will figure out for itself the dollar-and-cents gain it would enjoy we are confident it will be agreed that the gains are small as against the commondisadvantages which can be pointed out," it con-

Additional Local

Mr. and Mrs. Edmond Bristow and two children returned Tuesday to their home in B ker. They had been spending their vacation with home folks in I me Mr. Bristow holds a good position in the John A. Trotter Gent's Furn ishing Store in Baker. They were accompanied on the return trit by Miss Lucile Bristow who will spend a few weeks at the home of her brother.

Friends here have received in formation that Alvin E Harris was dro vn d while touring the s ate of Washington, Mr Harris was an old friend of th . Lechetter boys and recently visiteb Haze Ledbetter white enronute from his home in Cari ornia to points in Canada. The accident 'appened before Mr. Harris reached Cana

Mrs. M. Jordan returned home

alurday, fron a pleasant visit with relatives and friends in the Villamette valley.

Mrs Alice McNabb and Mrs. Chas Jewell returned last Friday from a pleasant outing at N wport On Sunday, Mr. and Mrs. Rax Fisk of Kennewick, Wash ington, motored over for a brief i i at the McNabb home : n i when they returned they were a: ompanied by Mr. Jewell, Mrs. lewel remaining for a more ex tended stay with her mother, Ma. McNabh.

Joy Bette Guick, who is stay ing at the Keithly Blake home he e, hai as her guest la-t week Miss Lela Feltmire of Grants

Mr. and Mrs. E ison Morgan and Mr. Mrs. Ra: Barnett and chi dren motorea to Portland last we k, returning home, Satu day, The object of Mr. Morean's trip should participate more largely in its to the city we to purchase a new bus for the tass, o ation of school children on the rate for which he was evently awar od contract Wills in t e city, Mr. and Mrs. Morgan visited at he h mes of Mr. and Mrs. Chas. No I and Mr. and Mrs. Isaak nam on, Mr. anf Mrs. Ba nett visited Mr. Ba nett smother Mrs. Nore and on Mrs. Barret's grandmother, Mrs. Logan Mr. Ba nett drove the new bus on the return trip.

Laxton McMurray, George Bleakman and E. McCocke, a stockman of the Rock Creek sec tio., in company with Harlan ! c Curdy, visited the Davidson ranch dends in the Boston, New York, Philis- Monday, Mr. McMurray, Mr. Mc Konke were appraisers of the real estate and personal property

> Mrs. W. P. Prophet has purchased, Mrs. Helen Farrens' in terest in the lone Restaurant. The transfer was made Saturday

Miss Irene Anders has resigned



Phil Metschen

Former resident of Morrow Co. and now standard bearer of the

her position on the high school fa ully and on Argust 8, will be come the tride of Mr Ivan Remunger of Se ttle, Wash.

Miss Elva Balsicer recently received a telegram from the Y. W. C. A. at Portland, offering her a position as swimming instruc'or for a party of Camp Fire girls but Miss Balsiger deemed it best to remain in Ione till the opening o her chool in Riverton and con ti e the instruction of her swim

Mrs Fred Nichoson returned, Sunday, to the home of her moth er, Mrs. Knile Pettys, on Willow Creek, Mrs. Nidhoson is still quite . She did not receiv, much ber fit from the treatment she received while in the ho pital a

IMPRVMENT CLUB

at the home of Mrs Gorge Gress, Mrs. Omar Ristma n did some Carpenter Work, Painting, Paexcellent committee work upon per Hanging and General Remaking an outline for future programs,

An hour of bridge followed the business meeting. Refreshments of ice cream and wafers were

One object of the club is to encourage mothers to bring their children., There were twelve chil dren present who enjoyed out door gan es.

Ludies present were: Mrs. Geo Gross, Mrs. Henry Gorver, Mrs. Ray Brown, Mrs. Omar Rietman, Mrs. Victor Rietmann and Mrs. Elwd. Rietmann.

> Cook with Gas. See Bert Mason.

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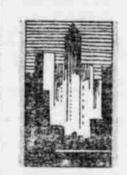
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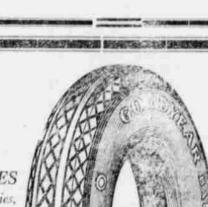
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