

Genealogy of a Bank Reflected in Its Notes



No. 1



No. 2



No. 3

Miami dealer Sidney Smith recently assembled a set of seven notes that graphically tell the story of the Second National Bank of Birmingham (Conn.), New Haven branch. This unique grouping begins (No. 1) with an obsolete \$3 note on the predecessor Manufacturers Bank

of Birmingham. Dated Oct. 1, 1862, it was printed by Danforth & Hufty.

Next (Nos. 2 and 3) are two "lazy 2" notes of the successor Birmingham National Bank. Both of these



No. 4



No. 5



No. 6



No. 7

Friedberg #389 are dated Mar. 15, 1871. Serial No. 2616 bears the same signatures as found on the obsolete note, while No. 3362 shows a new president's name. It also has the charter number, 1098, as do all the rest of the set.

The \$1 first charter note (No. 4), Fr. 382, of the same date also has the new president's and old cashier's names.

The \$5 second charter brown back (No. 5) dated Aug. 19, 1893 (Fr. 474) and the \$5 third charter (No. 6) dated Mar. 25, 1905 have still another president's name—Charles H. Kettlelow (?), but the former shows Chas. E. Clark as cashier while the latter has Frank M. Clark. Finally, another third charter five (No. 7) shows one more presidential change but the same cashier.

Newly Discovered Territory of Washington National Bank Note



Because of his recent move from Missouri to Indiana, David Hakes has not yet had time to write up his "find" of the fourth National Bank Note known on the Territory of Washington. This is the only one known from the Ellensburg National Bank, which was liquidated in 1896 with a circulation of only \$12,000 outstanding.

Morey Perlmuter wrote about Washington Territory notes in PAPER MONEY No. 32, Page 112:

"This was a Territory from March 2, 1853 until statehood on Nov. 11, 1889. Over 40 banks were chartered during the Territorial period, but only three notes have been traced over the years. More may exist, but Washington Territory notes are recognized as being among the great rarities. Notes documented: SCP brownback \$20 on The Merchants N.B. of Tacoma, Charter #3172;

SCP brownback \$5 on the Pacific N.B. of Tacoma, Charter #3417; SCP brownback \$5 on The Browne N.B. of Spokane Falls, Charter #4025."

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The name of J. Roy Pennell, Jr. was inadvertently omitted from the list of state researchers in the obsolete note project published in PAPER MONEY No. 38. According to Richard T. Hooper, coordinator, Mr. Pennell asks readers who have information on the state notes and scrip of South Carolina, North Carolina and Georgia to contact him at once at P. O. Box 858, Anderson, S. C. 29621.