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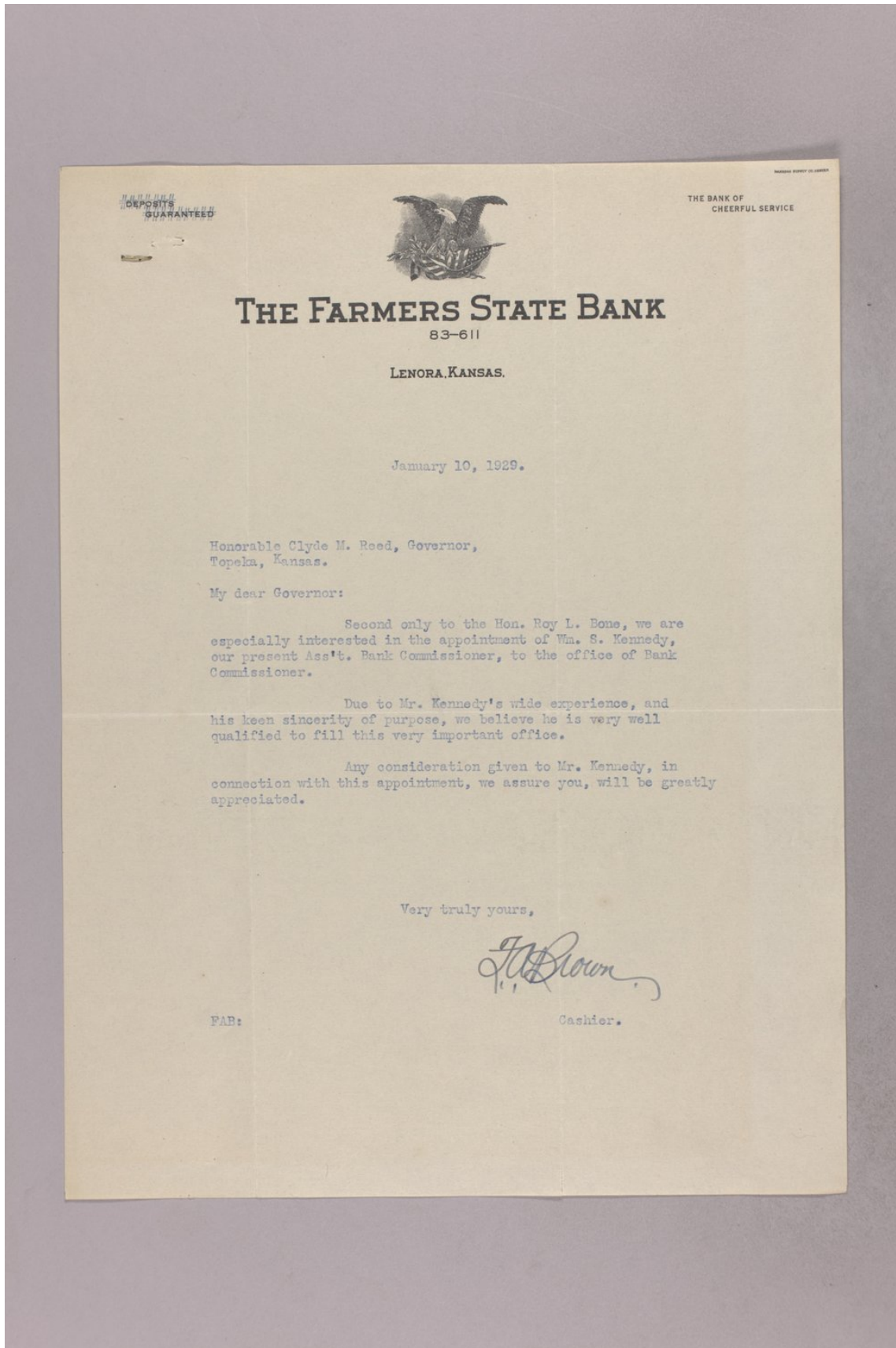
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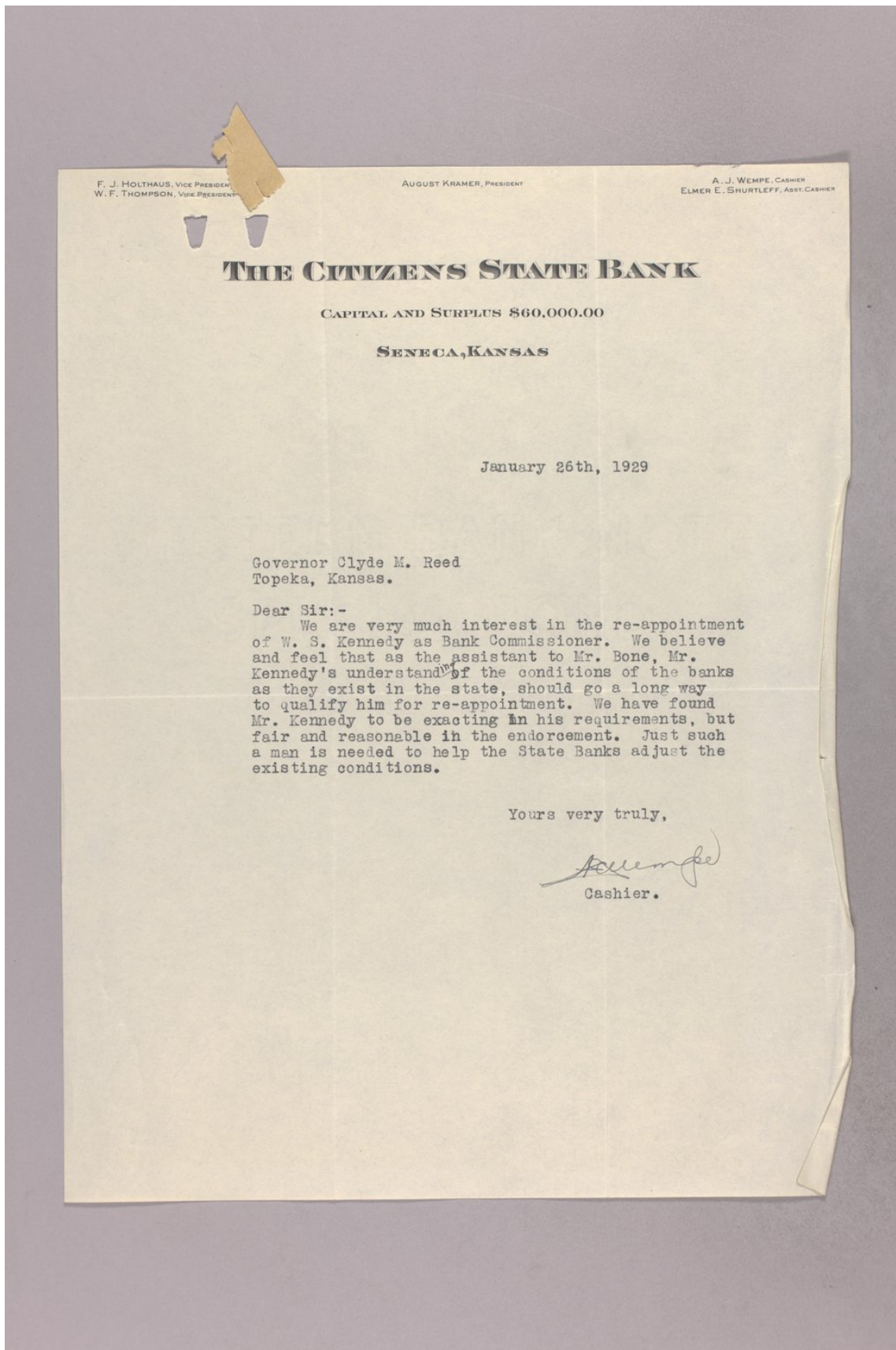


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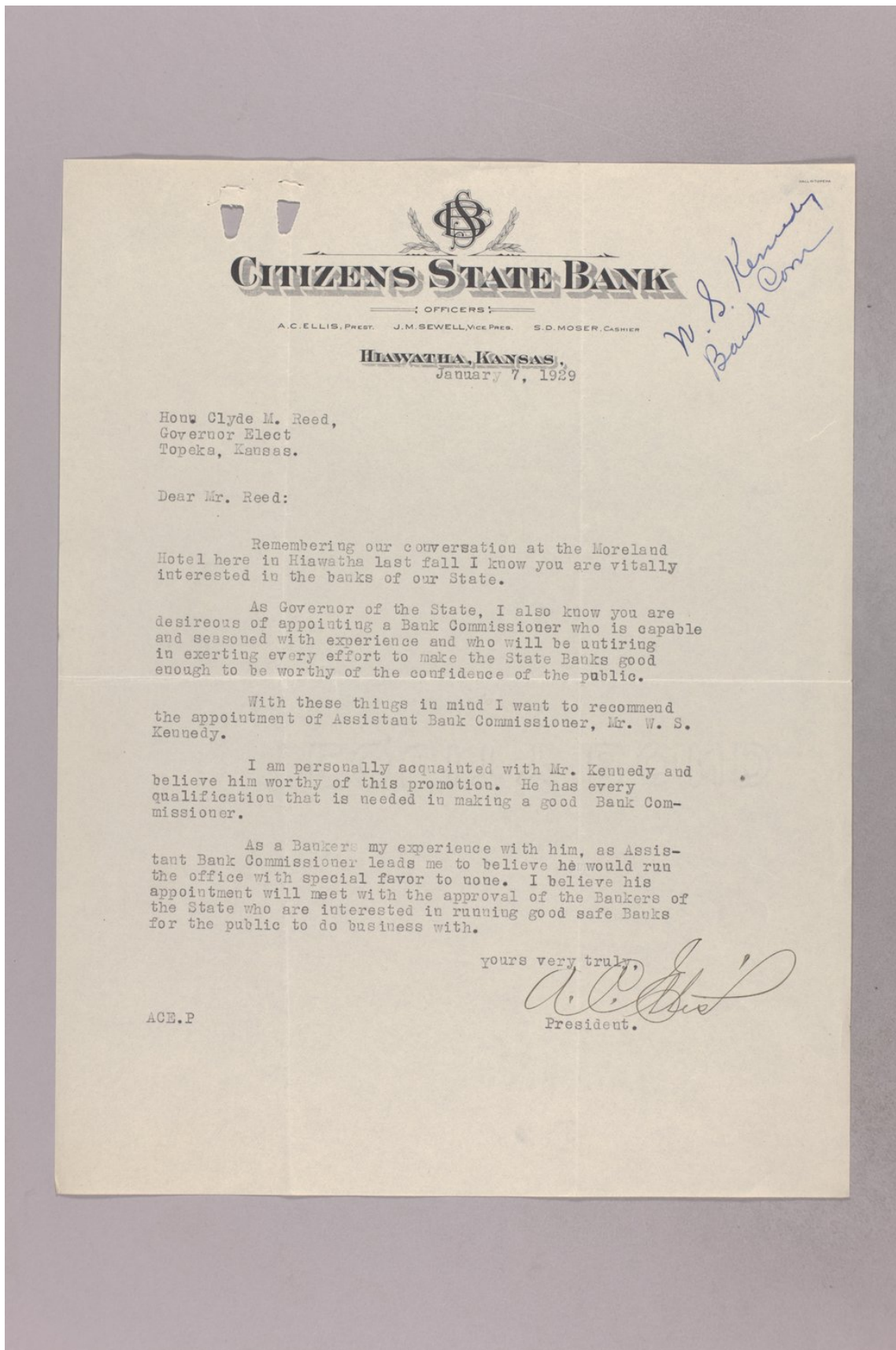
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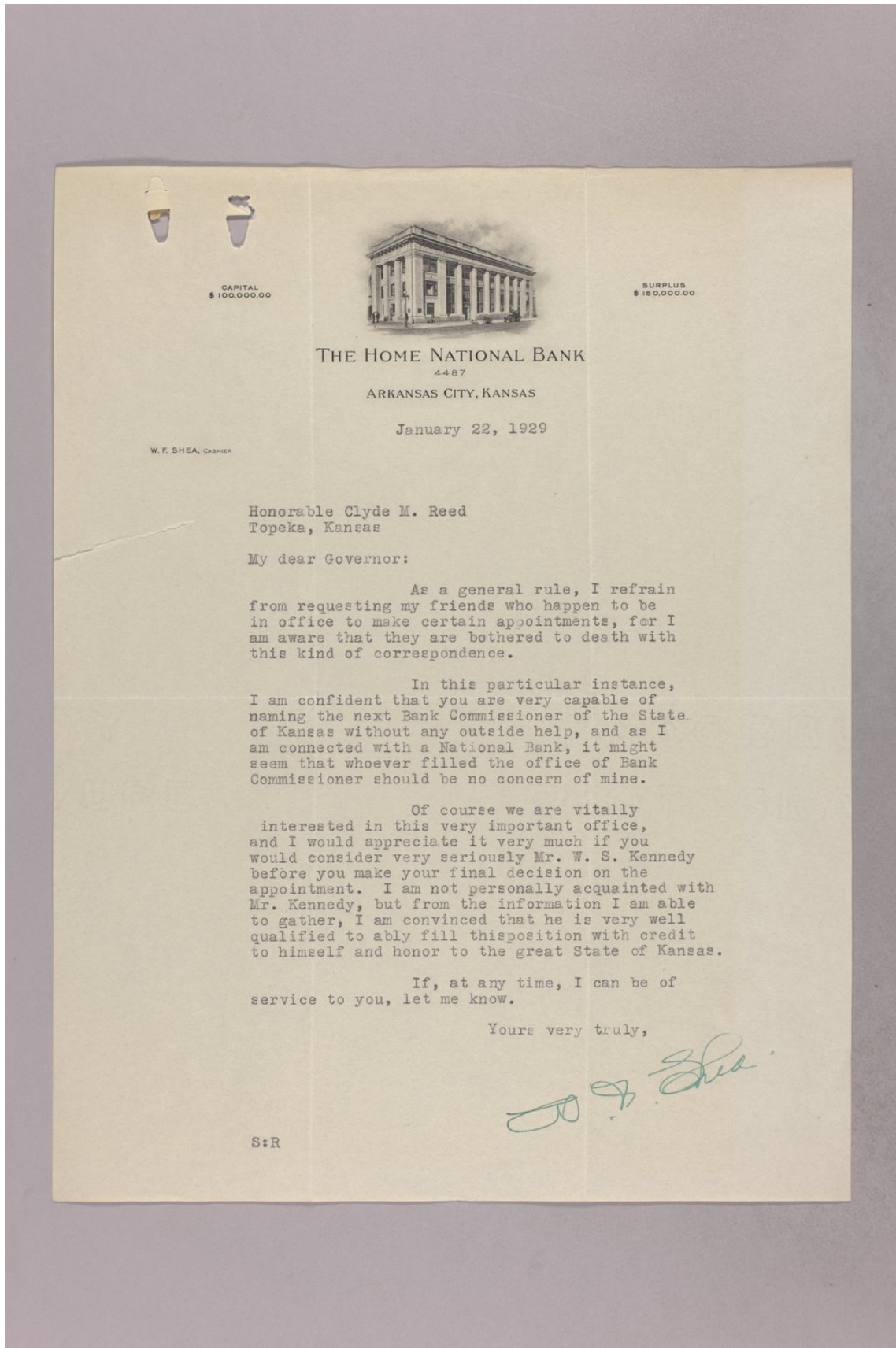
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W. H. MURRAY, PRESIDENT
H. F. BROWN, VICE PRESIDENT
W. H. B. FULTZ, VICE PRESIDENT
L. P. JETER, CASHIER
J. A. MURRAY, ASSISTANT CASHIER

CAPITAL \$75,000.00
SURPLUS \$75,000.00

SECURITY STATE BANK
WELLINGTON, KANSAS

January 21, 1929.

Hon. Clyde M. Reed, Governor,

Topeka, Kansas.

Dear Governor:-

I know you are a very busy man these days and yet I want to impose upon your time just long enough to give my unqualified and unreserved endorsement of Mr. W. S. Kennedy for the office of Bank Commissioner of Kansas, whose term, I understand, will expire in April, and at which time you contemplate naming a Bank Commissioner.

I have known Mr. Kennedy well since his appointment as Assistant Bank Commissioner and had known of him before that. It seems to me that to continue him in office would reflect credit upon your administration in that he is the right man for the right place because of his ability and experience and besides for the very important reason that, having been in the office as Assistant Bank Commissioner, he is very familiar with the condition of all the banks under the jurisdiction of that office. You and I will agree that not everyone, not even some good bankers who might want the job, is qualified for the office of supervision of a thousand or more banks. I firmly believe Mr. Kennedy is so qualified.

I shall be glad for a line from you at your convenience.

I was in Topeka last week and would have called on you, but decided it would be much better to wait until the rush of the beginning of things was over.

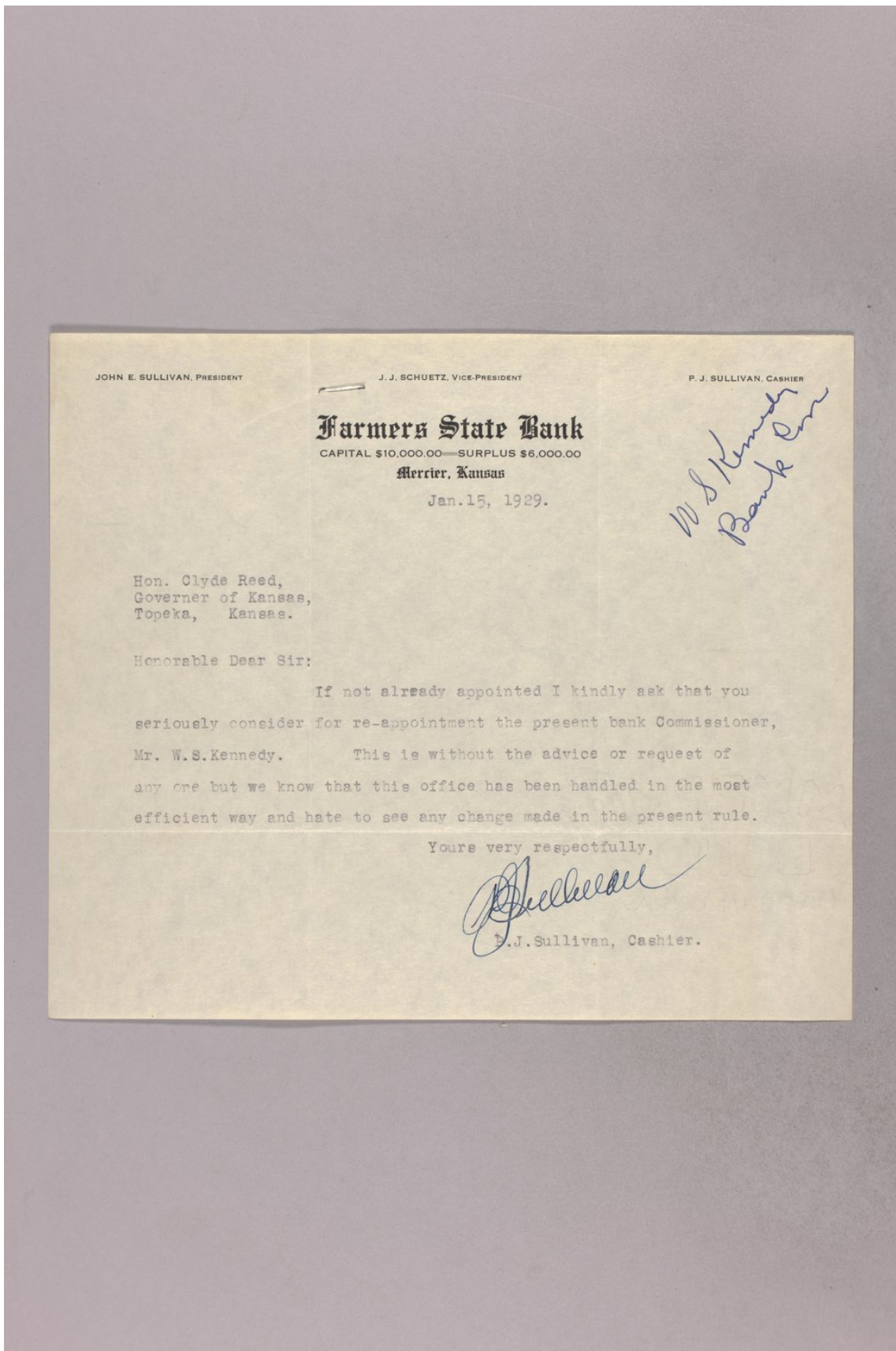
You are our Governor and I want to do everything in my power to help you and I hope that when I can be of service you will feel free to call upon me.

Yours very truly,

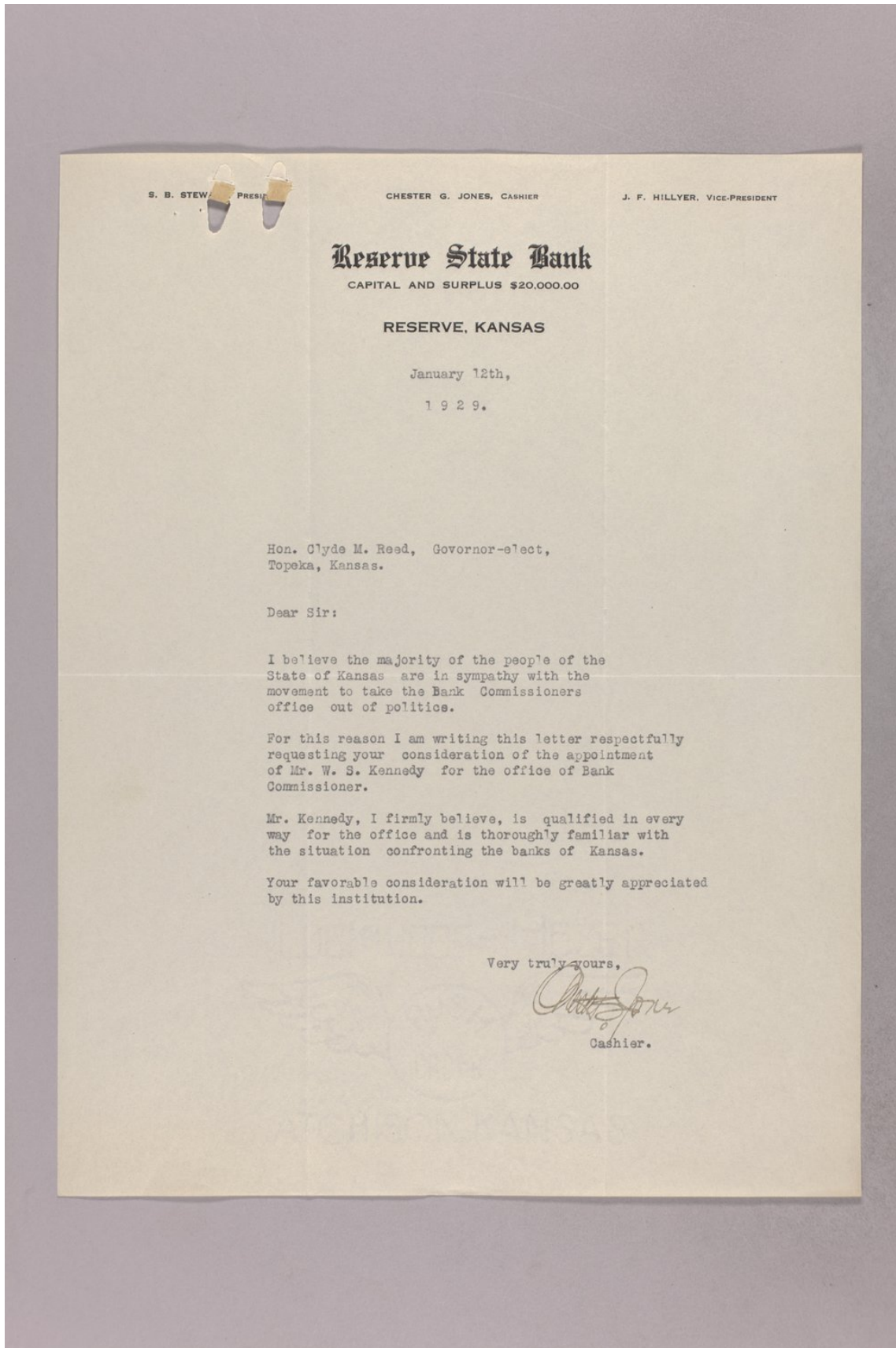
President.



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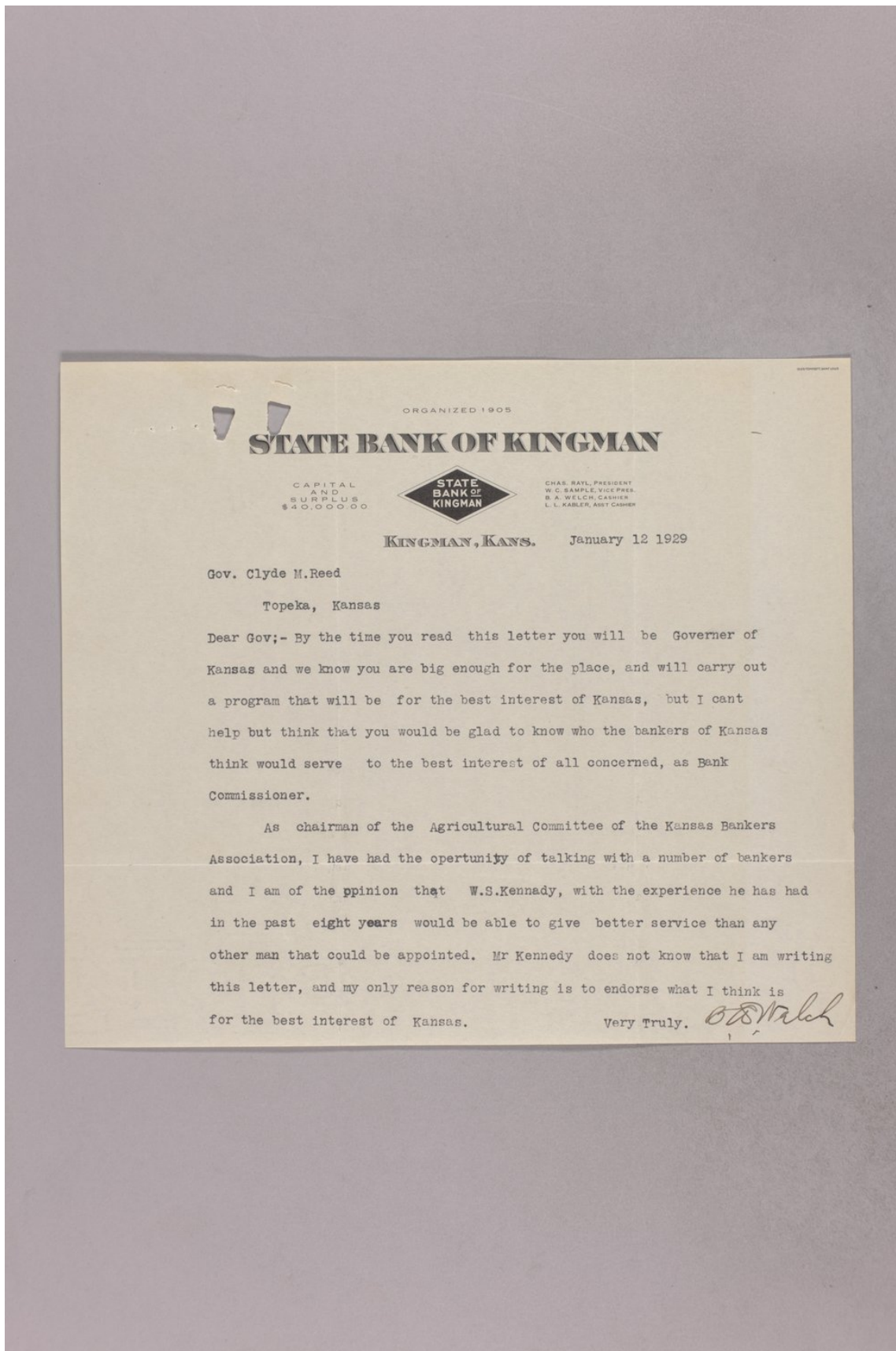


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ORGANIZED 1905

STATE BANK OF KINGMAN

CAPITAL
AND
SURPLUS
\$40,000.00



CHAS. RAYL, PRESIDENT
W. C. SAMPLE, VICE PRES.
B. A. WELCH, CASHIER
L. L. KABLER, ASST. CASHIER

KINGMAN, KANS. January 12 1929

Gov. Clyde M. Reed

Topeka, Kansas

Dear Gov;- By the time you read this letter you will be Governor of Kansas and we know you are big enough for the place, and will carry out a program that will be for the best interest of Kansas, but I cant help but think that you would be glad to know who the bankers of Kansas think would serve to the best interest of all concerned, as Bank Commissioner.

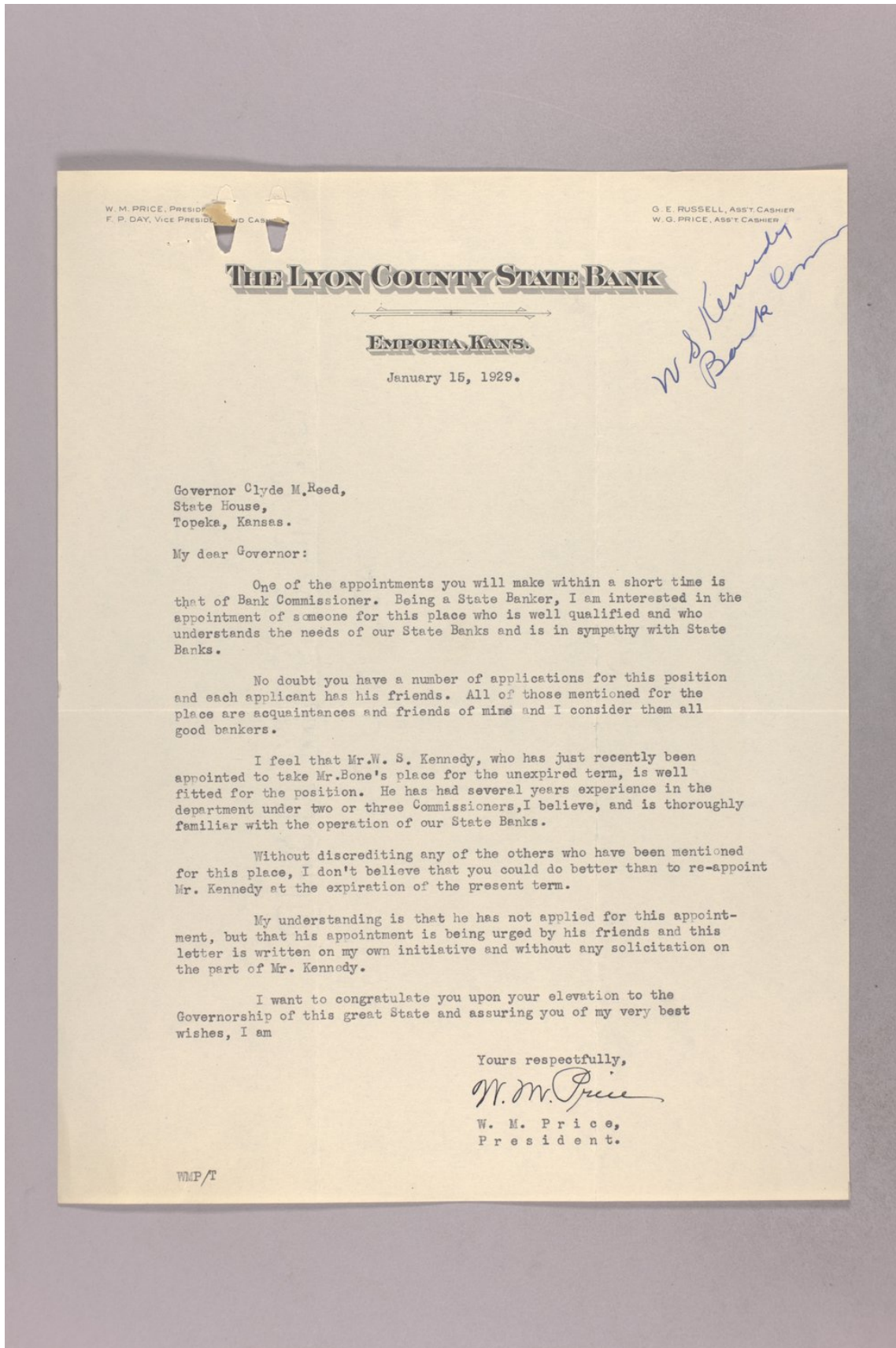
As chairman of the Agricultural Committee of the Kansas Bankers Association, I have had the opertuniyf of talking with a number of bankers and I am of the ppinion that W.S.Kennady, with the experience he has had in the past eight years would be able to give better service than any other man that could be appointed. Mr Kennedy does not know that I am writing this letter, and my only reason for writing is to endorse what I think is for the best interest of Kansas.

Very Truly.

B.S. Welch



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W. M. PRICE, PRESIDENT
F. P. DAY, VICE PRESIDENT

G. E. RUSSELL, ASST. CASHIER
W. G. PRICE, ASST. CASHIER

THE LYON COUNTY STATE BANK

EMPORIA, KANS.

January 15, 1929.

*W. S. Kennedy
Bank Comm*

Governor Clyde M. Reed,
State House,
Topeka, Kansas.

My dear Governor:

One of the appointments you will make within a short time is that of Bank Commissioner. Being a State Banker, I am interested in the appointment of someone for this place who is well qualified and who understands the needs of our State Banks and is in sympathy with State Banks.

No doubt you have a number of applications for this position and each applicant has his friends. All of those mentioned for the place are acquaintances and friends of mine and I consider them all good bankers.

I feel that Mr. W. S. Kennedy, who has just recently been appointed to take Mr. Bone's place for the unexpired term, is well fitted for the position. He has had several years experience in the department under two or three Commissioners, I believe, and is thoroughly familiar with the operation of our State Banks.

Without discrediting any of the others who have been mentioned for this place, I don't believe that you could do better than to re-appoint Mr. Kennedy at the expiration of the present term.

My understanding is that he has not applied for this appointment, but that his appointment is being urged by his friends and this letter is written on my own initiative and without any solicitation on the part of Mr. Kennedy.

I want to congratulate you upon your elevation to the Governorship of this great State and assuring you of my very best wishes, I am

Yours respectfully,

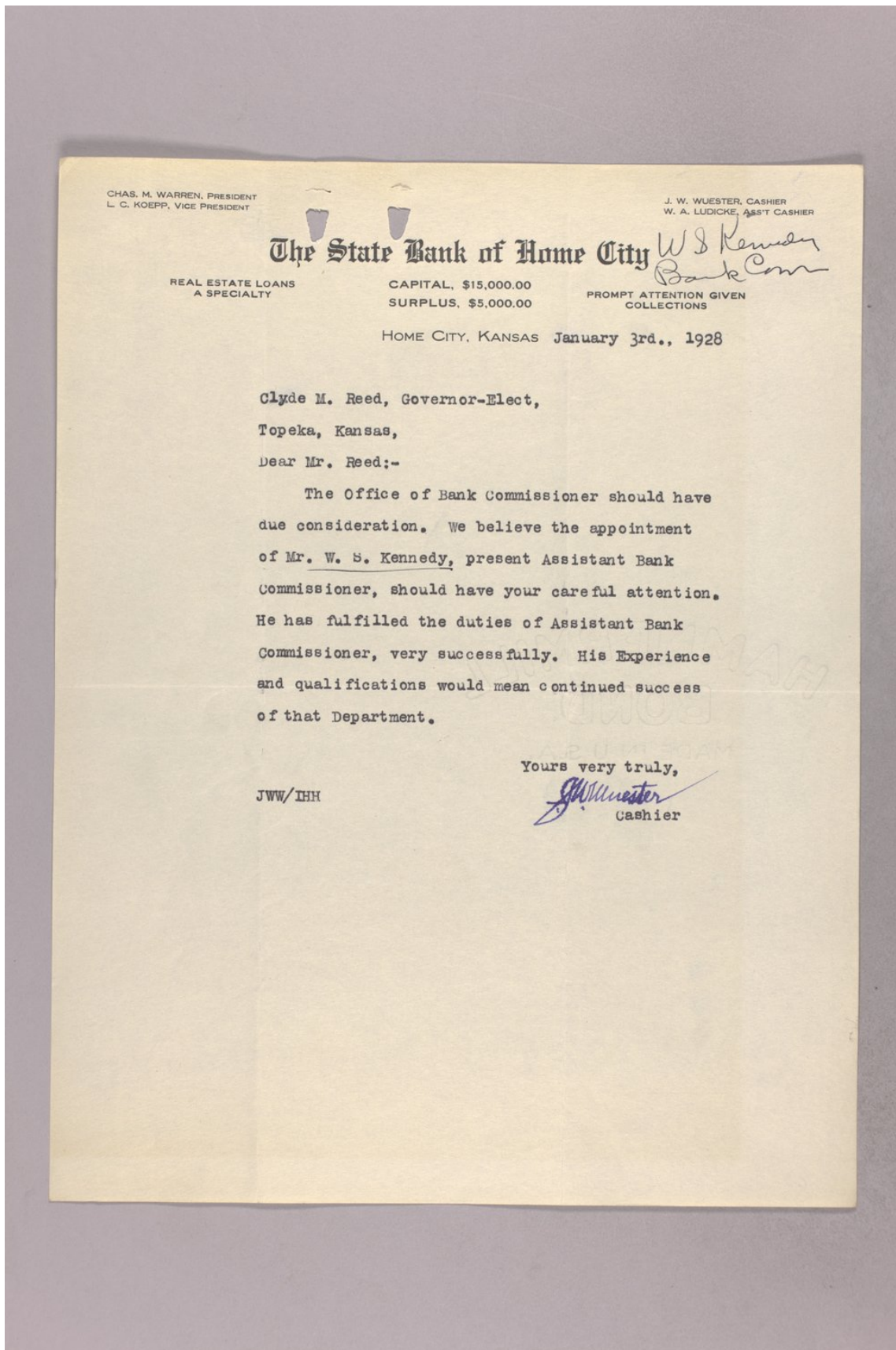
W. M. Price

W. M. Price,
President.

WMP/T



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CHAS. M. WARREN, PRESIDENT
L. C. KOEPP, VICE PRESIDENT

J. W. WUESTER, CASHIER
W. A. LUDICKE, ASST CASHIER

The State Bank of Home City

REAL ESTATE LOANS
A SPECIALTY

CAPITAL, \$15,000.00
SURPLUS, \$5,000.00

PROMPT ATTENTION GIVEN
COLLECTIONS

HOME CITY, KANSAS January 3rd., 1928

Clyde M. Reed, Governor-Elect,
Topeka, Kansas,

Dear Mr. Reed:-

The Office of Bank Commissioner should have due consideration. We believe the appointment of Mr. W. S. Kennedy, present Assistant Bank Commissioner, should have your careful attention. He has fulfilled the duties of Assistant Bank Commissioner, very successfully. His Experience and qualifications would mean continued success of that Department.

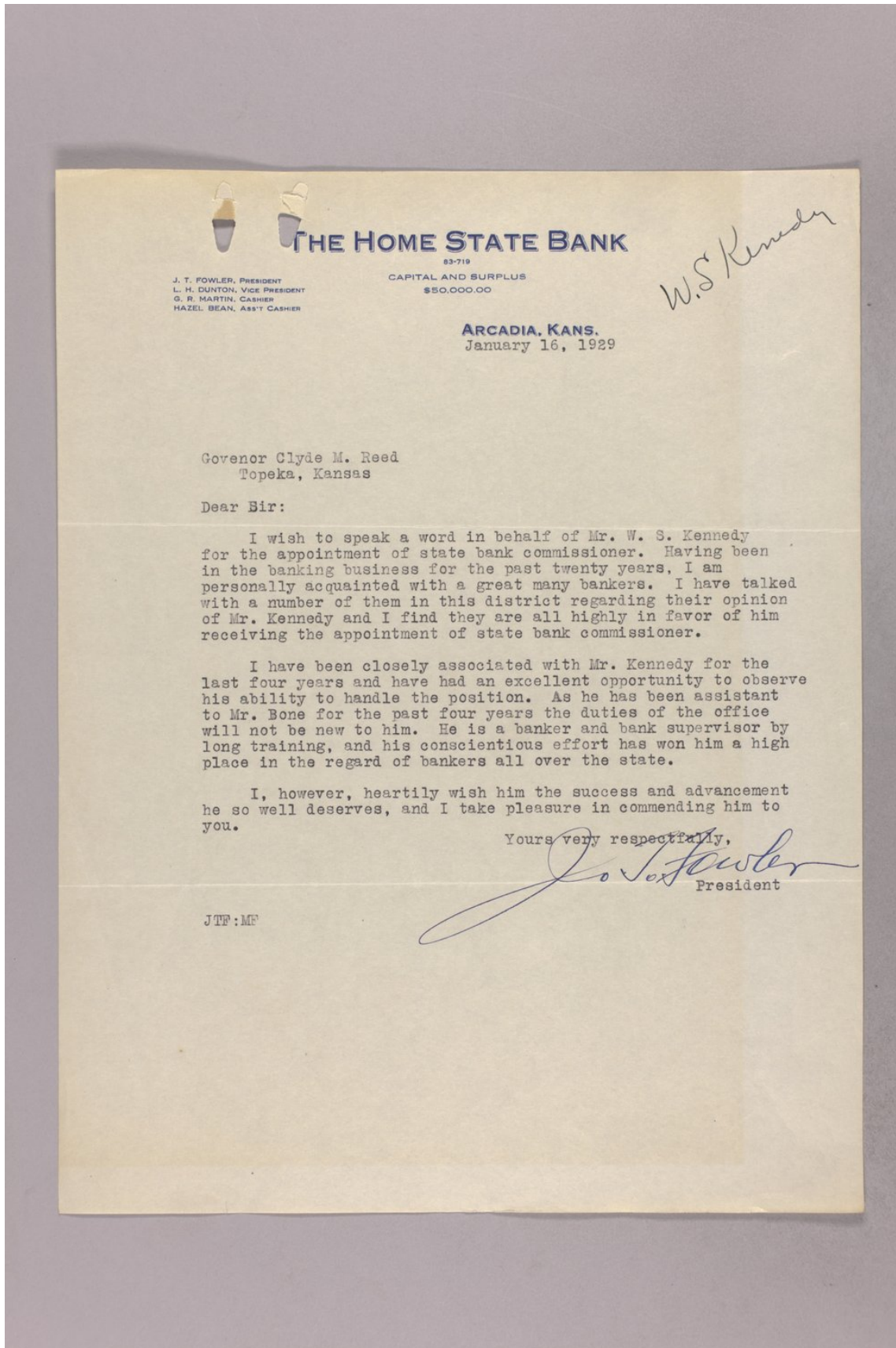
Yours very truly,

JWW/IHH

J. W. Wuester
Cashier



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J. T. FOWLER, PRESIDENT
L. H. DUNTON, VICE PRESIDENT
G. R. MARTIN, CASHIER
HAZEL BEAN, ASST. CASHIER

83-719
CAPITAL AND SURPLUS
\$50,000.00

ARCADIA, KANS.
January 16, 1929

Governor Clyde M. Reed
Topeka, Kansas

Dear Sir:

I wish to speak a word in behalf of Mr. W. S. Kennedy for the appointment of state bank commissioner. Having been in the banking business for the past twenty years, I am personally acquainted with a great many bankers. I have talked with a number of them in this district regarding their opinion of Mr. Kennedy and I find they are all highly in favor of him receiving the appointment of state bank commissioner.

I have been closely associated with Mr. Kennedy for the last four years and have had an excellent opportunity to observe his ability to handle the position. As he has been assistant to Mr. Bone for the past four years the duties of the office will not be new to him. He is a banker and bank supervisor by long training, and his conscientious effort has won him a high place in the regard of bankers all over the state.

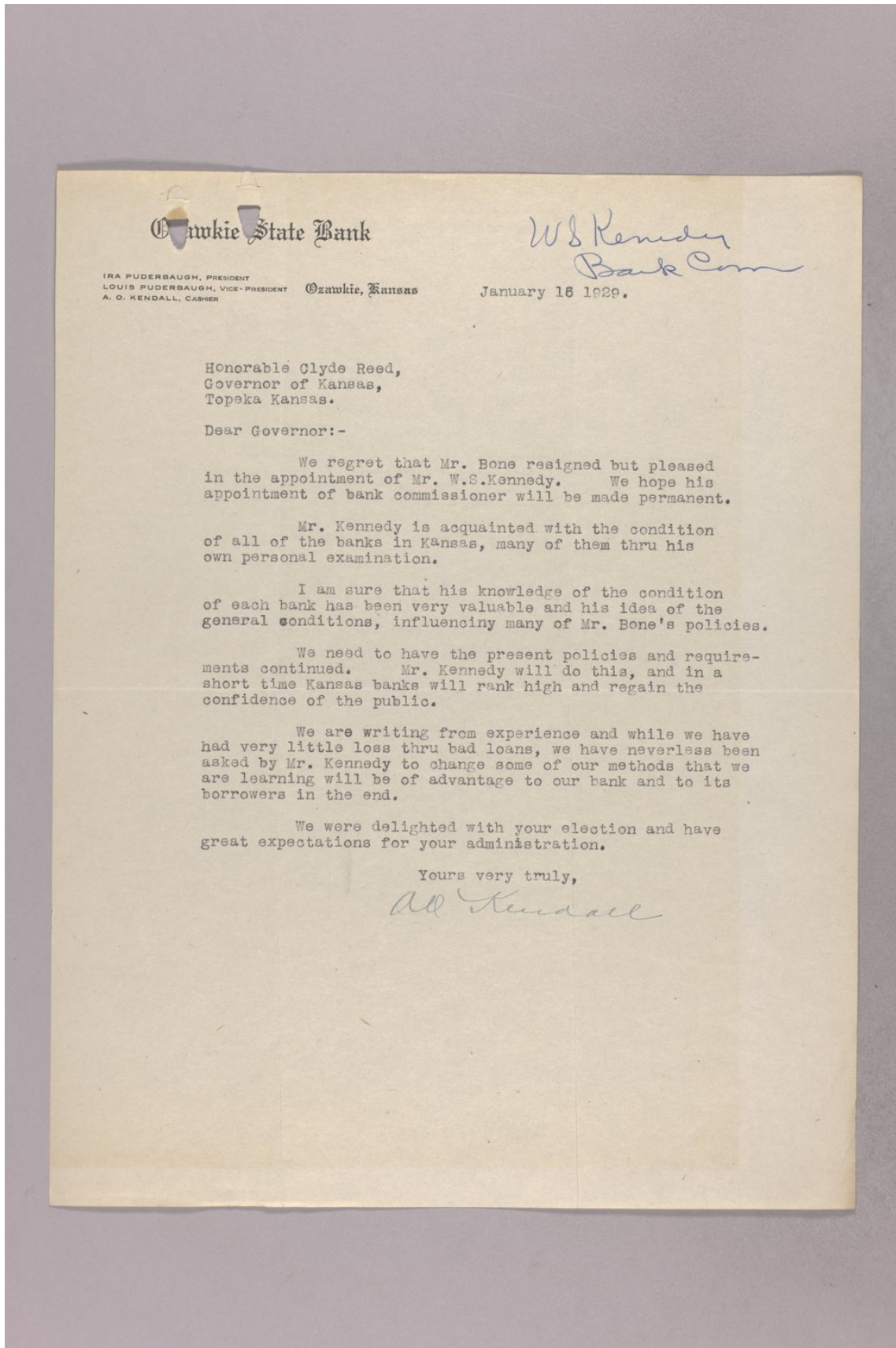
I, however, heartily wish him the success and advancement he so well deserves, and I take pleasure in commending him to you.

Yours very respectfully,

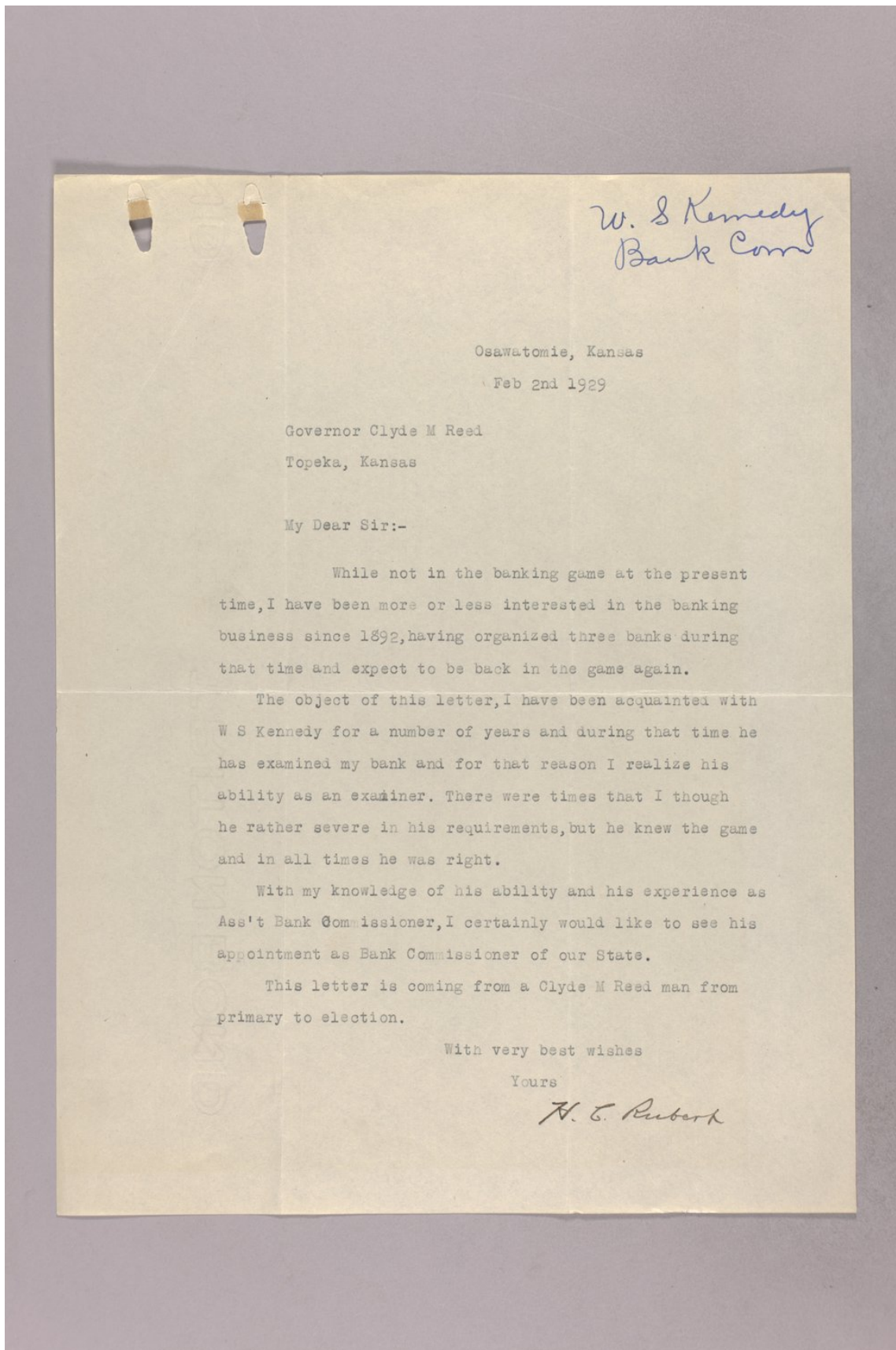
J. T. Fowler
President

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*W. S. Kennedy
Bank Comm*

Osawatomie, Kansas

Feb 2nd 1929

Governor Clyde M Reed
Topeka, Kansas

My Dear Sir:-

While not in the banking game at the present time, I have been more or less interested in the banking business since 1892, having organized three banks during that time and expect to be back in the game again.

The object of this letter, I have been acquainted with W S Kennedy for a number of years and during that time he has examined my bank and for that reason I realize his ability as an examiner. There were times that I thought he rather severe in his requirements, but he knew the game and in all times he was right.

With my knowledge of his ability and his experience as Ass't Bank Commissioner, I certainly would like to see his appointment as Bank Commissioner of our State.

This letter is coming from a Clyde M Reed man from primary to election.

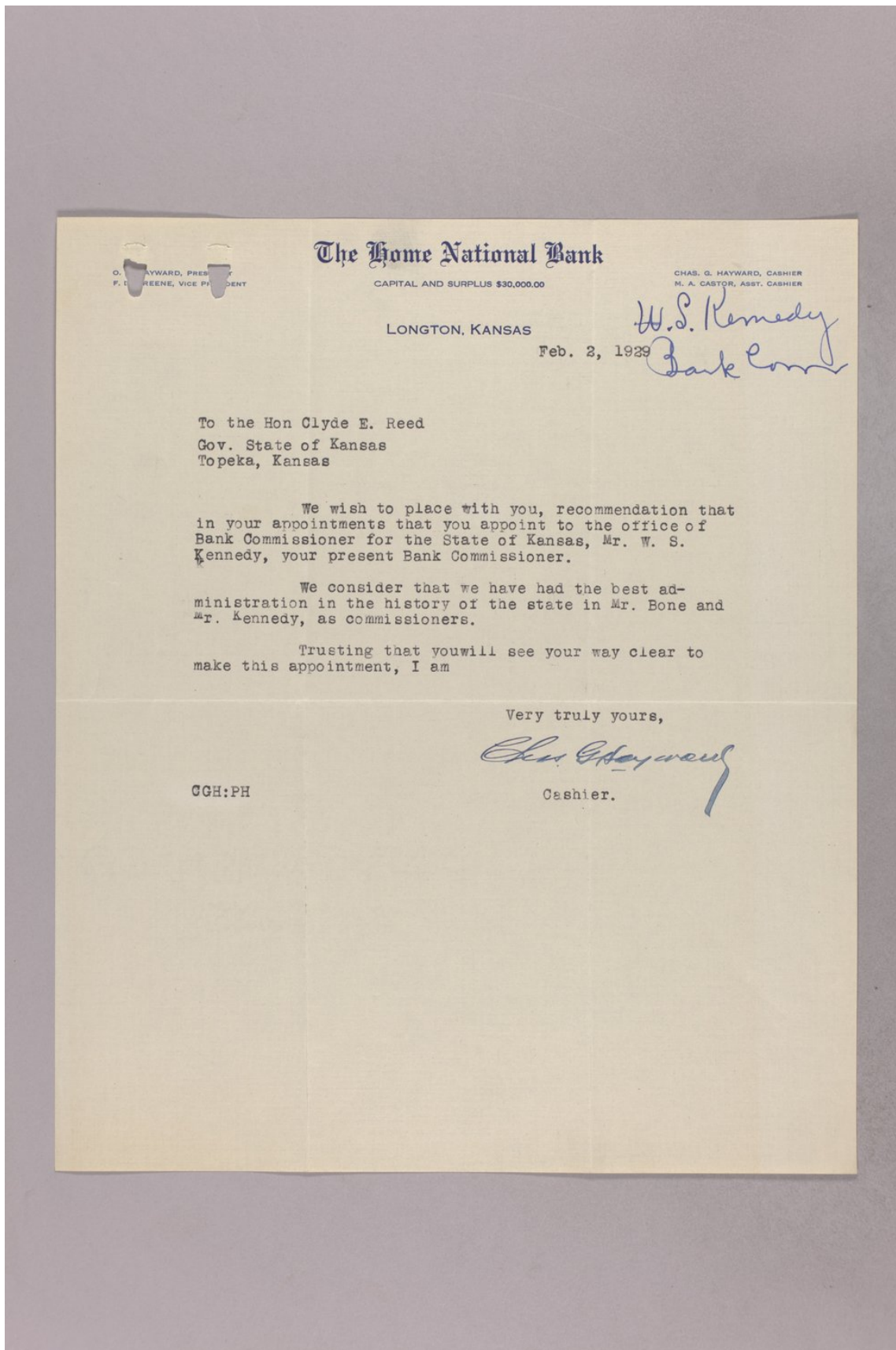
With very best wishes

Yours

H. E. Rubark



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O. G. HAYWARD, PRES.
P. D. GREENE, VICE PRESIDENT

The Home National Bank

CAPITAL AND SURPLUS \$30,000.00

CHAS. G. HAYWARD, CASHIER
M. A. CASTOR, ASST. CASHIER

LONGTON, KANSAS

Feb. 2, 1929

*W.S. Kennedy
Bank Com*

To the Hon Clyde E. Reed
Gov. State of Kansas
Topeka, Kansas

We wish to place with you, recommendation that
in your appointments that you appoint to the office of
Bank Commissioner for the State of Kansas, Mr. W. S.
Kennedy, your present Bank Commissioner.

We consider that we have had the best ad-
ministration in the history of the state in Mr. Bone and
Mr. Kennedy, as commissioners.

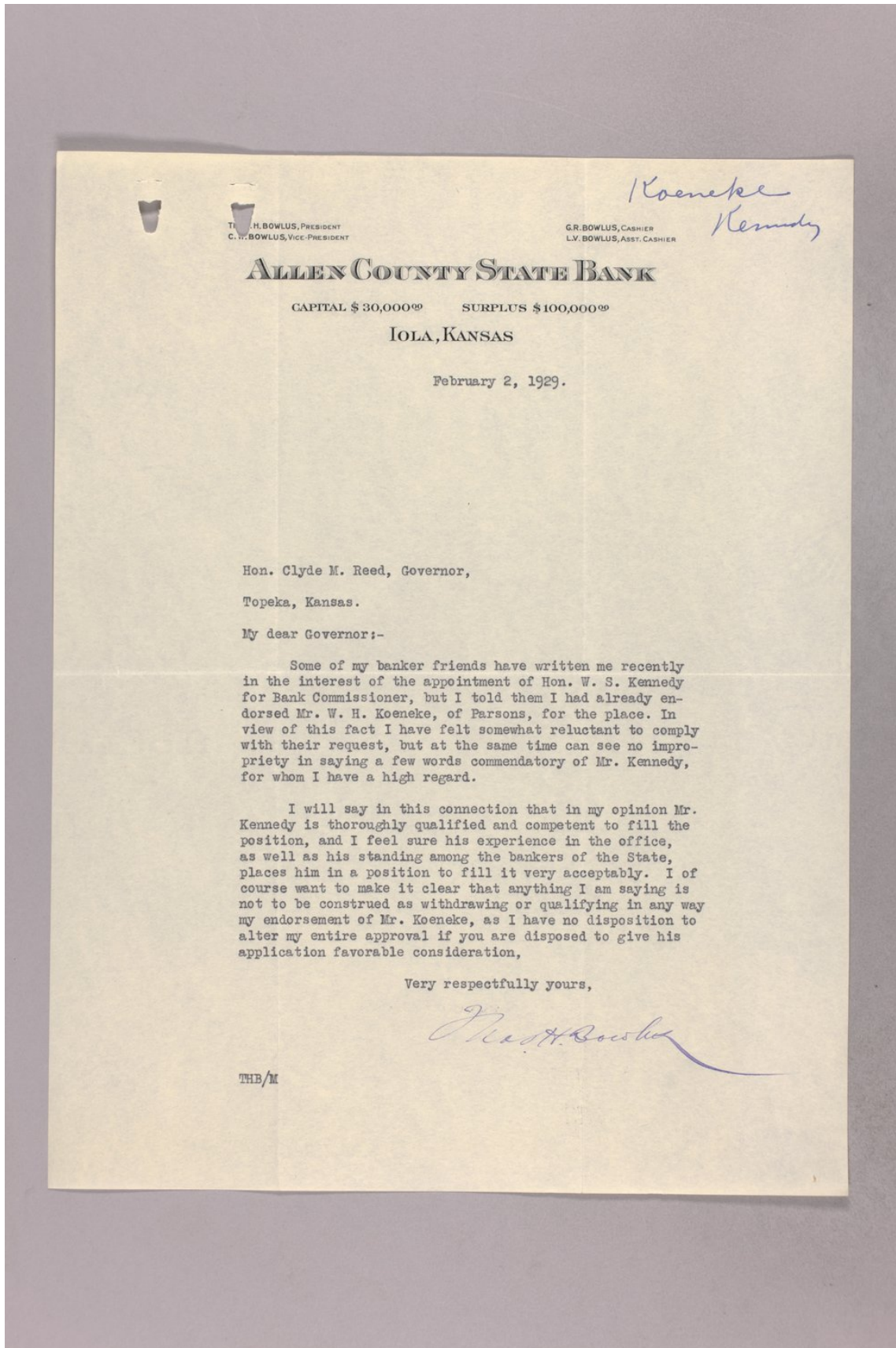
Trusting that you will see your way clear to
make this appointment, I am

Very truly yours,

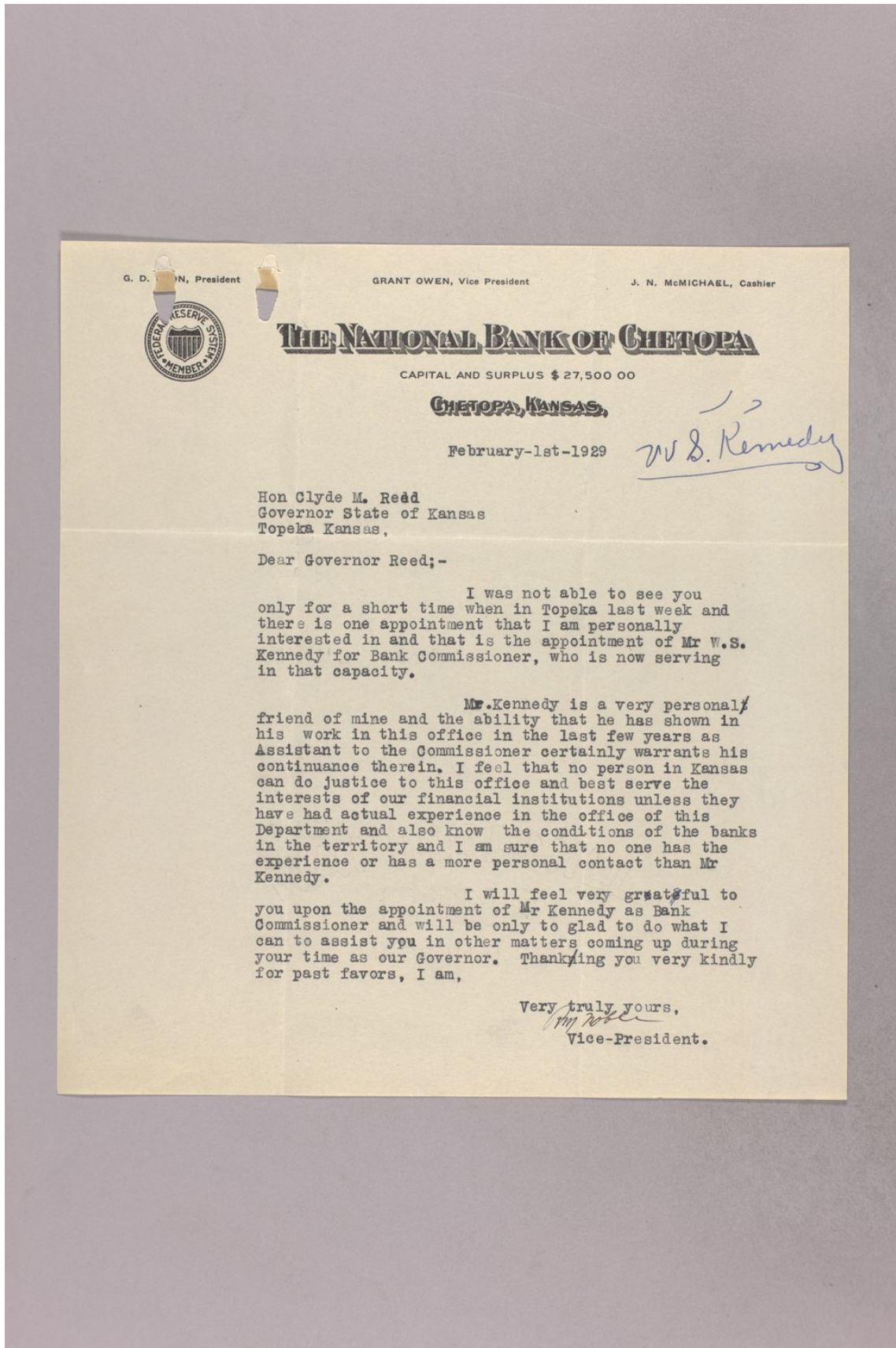
Chas. G. Hayward
Cashier.

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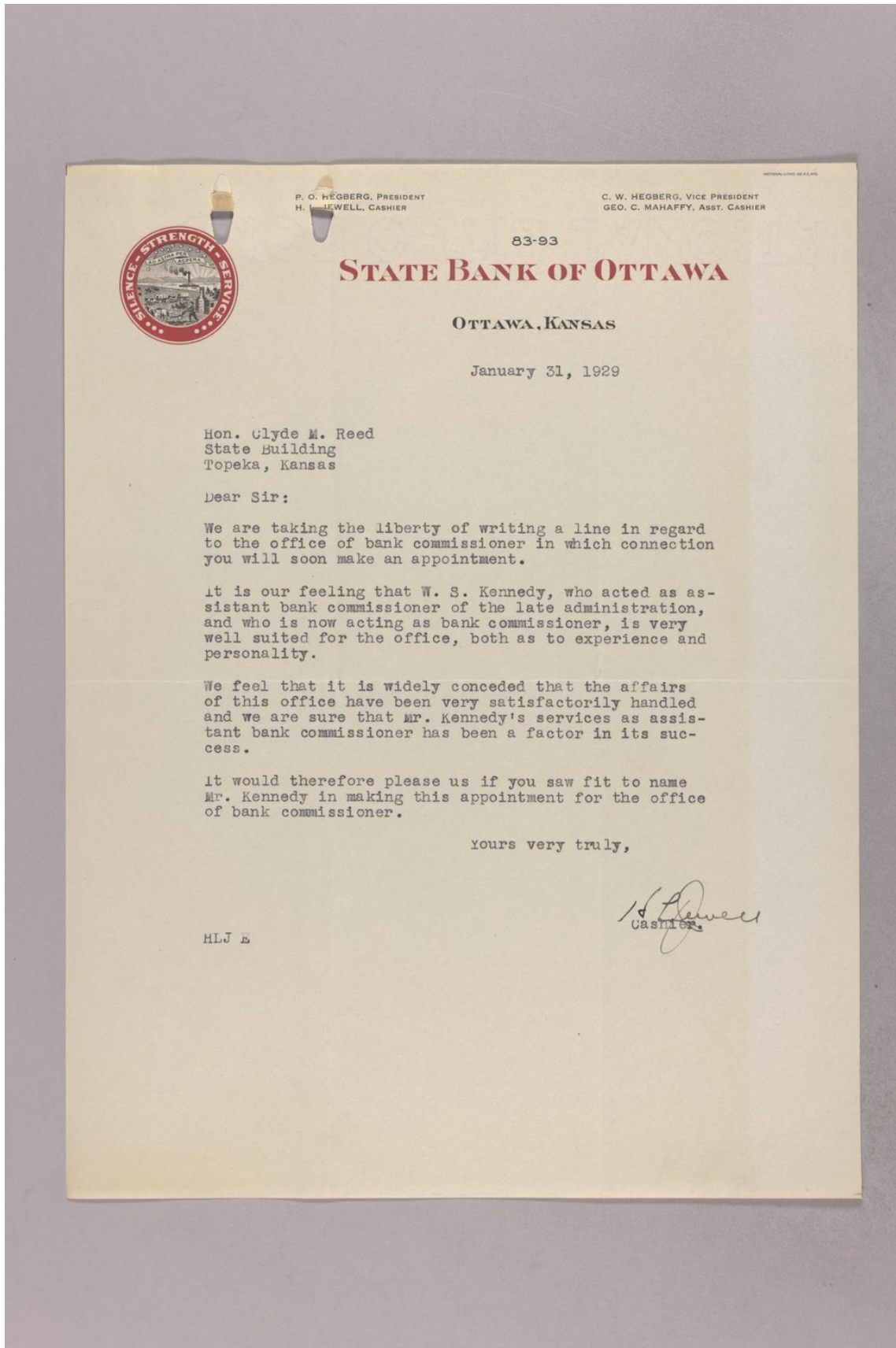
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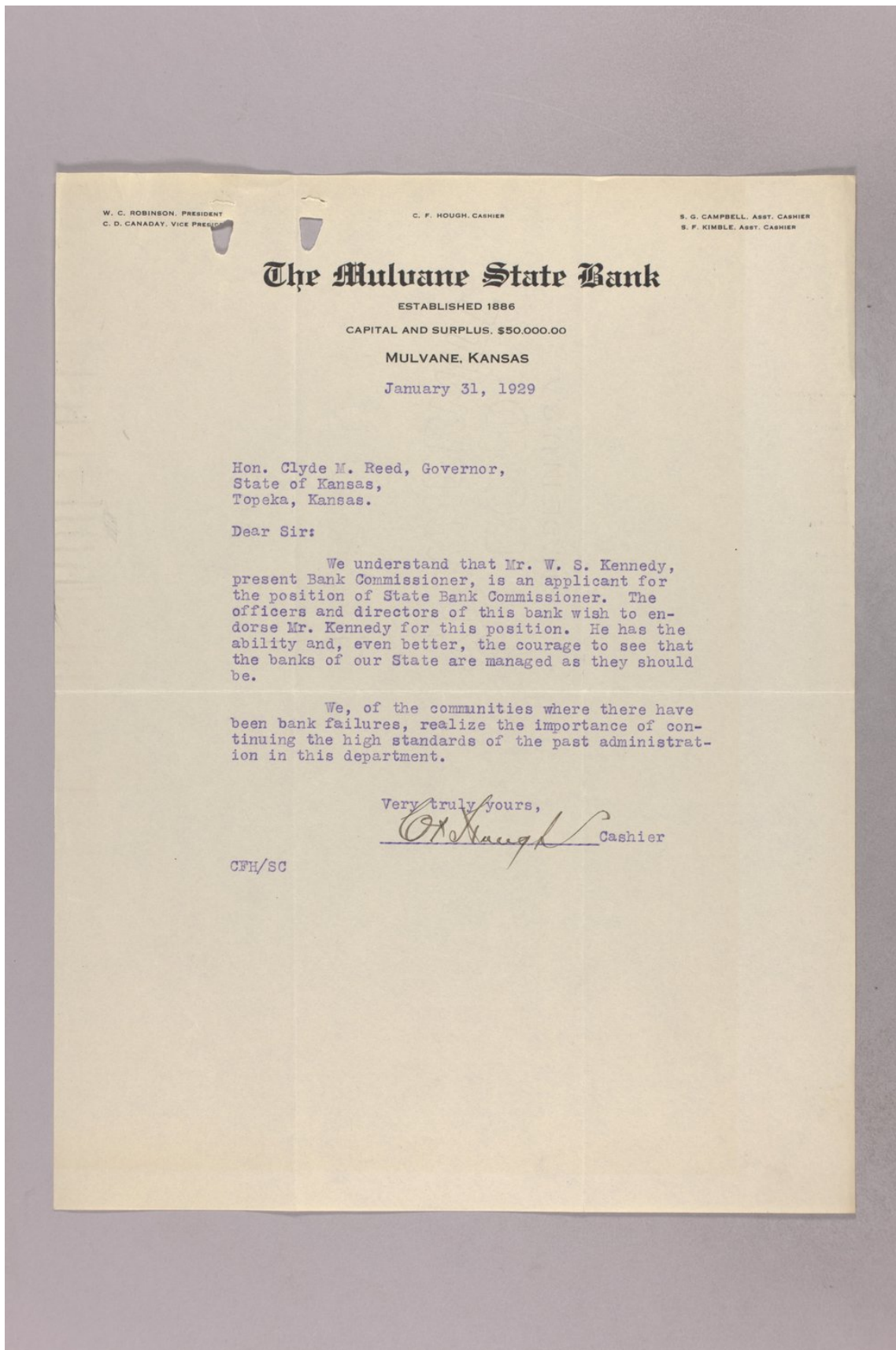


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W. C. ROBINSON, PRESIDENT
C. D. CANADAY, VICE PRESIDENT

C. F. HOUGH, CASHIER

S. G. CAMPBELL, ASST. CASHIER
S. F. KIMBLE, ASST. CASHIER

The Mulvane State Bank

ESTABLISHED 1886

CAPITAL AND SURPLUS, \$50,000.00

MULVANE, KANSAS

January 31, 1929

Hon. Clyde M. Reed, Governor,
State of Kansas,
Topeka, Kansas.

Dear Sir:

We understand that Mr. W. S. Kennedy, present Bank Commissioner, is an applicant for the position of State Bank Commissioner. The officers and directors of this bank wish to endorse Mr. Kennedy for this position. He has the ability and, even better, the courage to see that the banks of our State are managed as they should be.

We, of the communities where there have been bank failures, realize the importance of continuing the high standards of the past administration in this department.

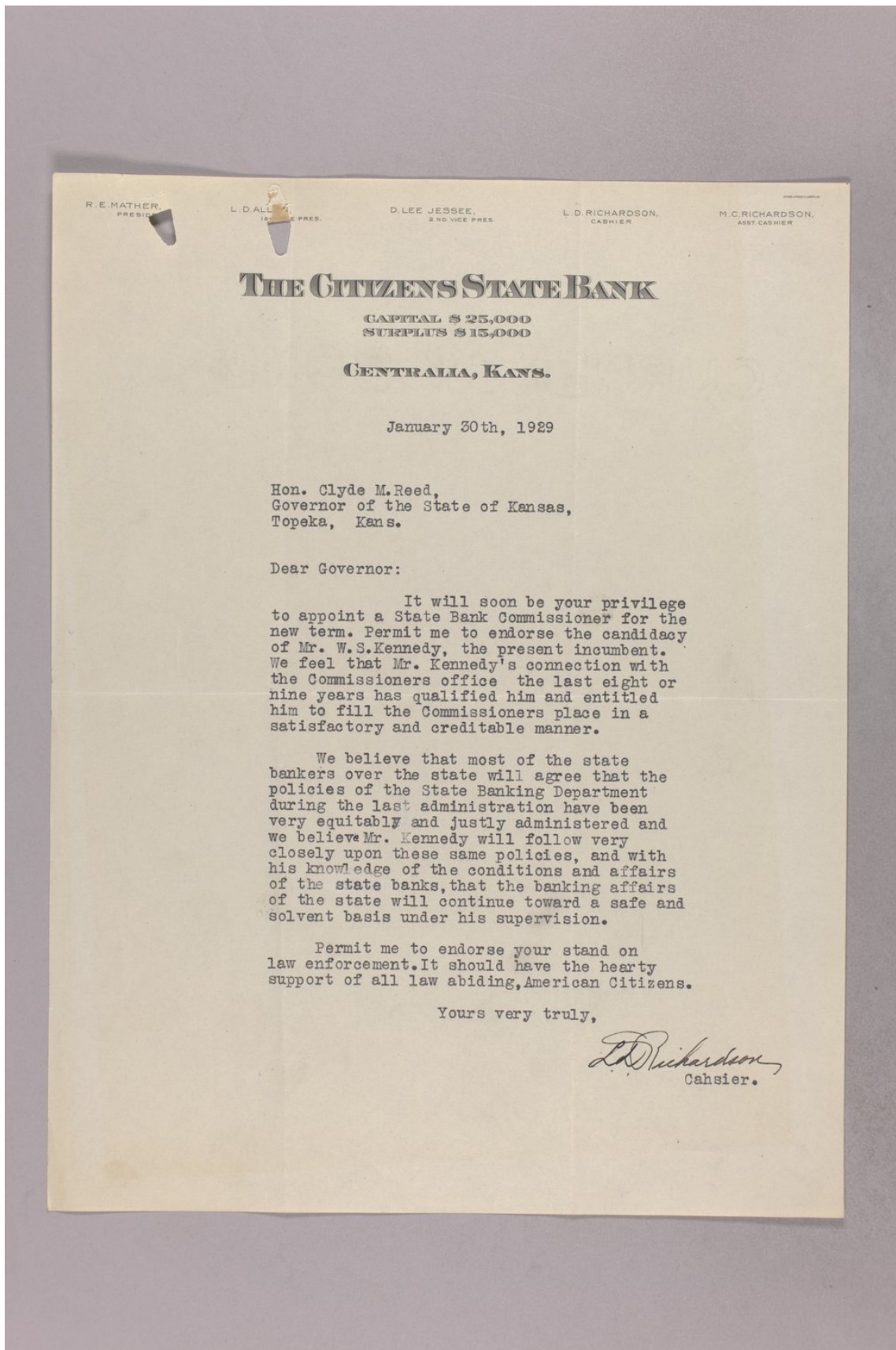
Very truly yours,

C. F. Hough Cashier

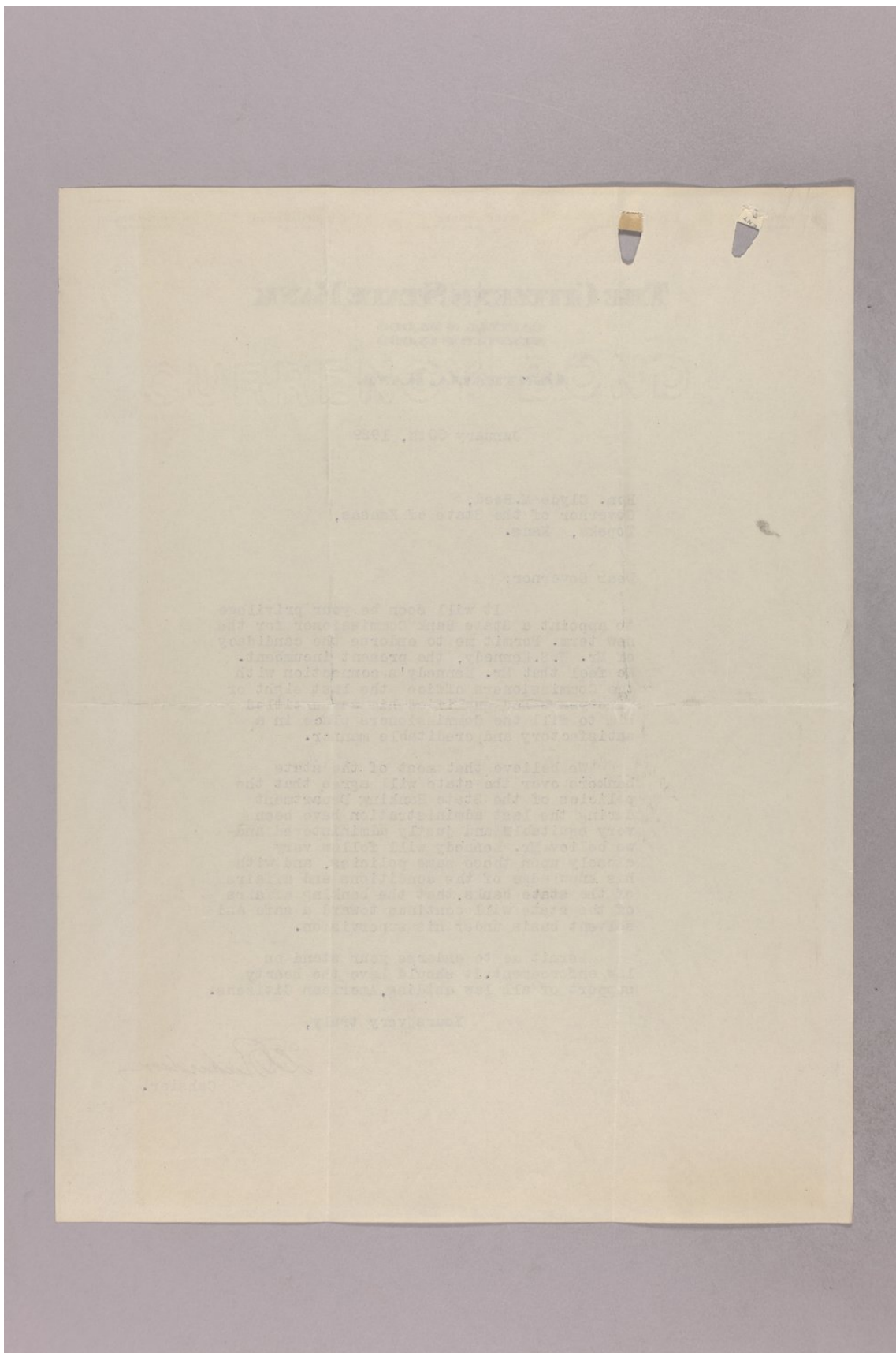
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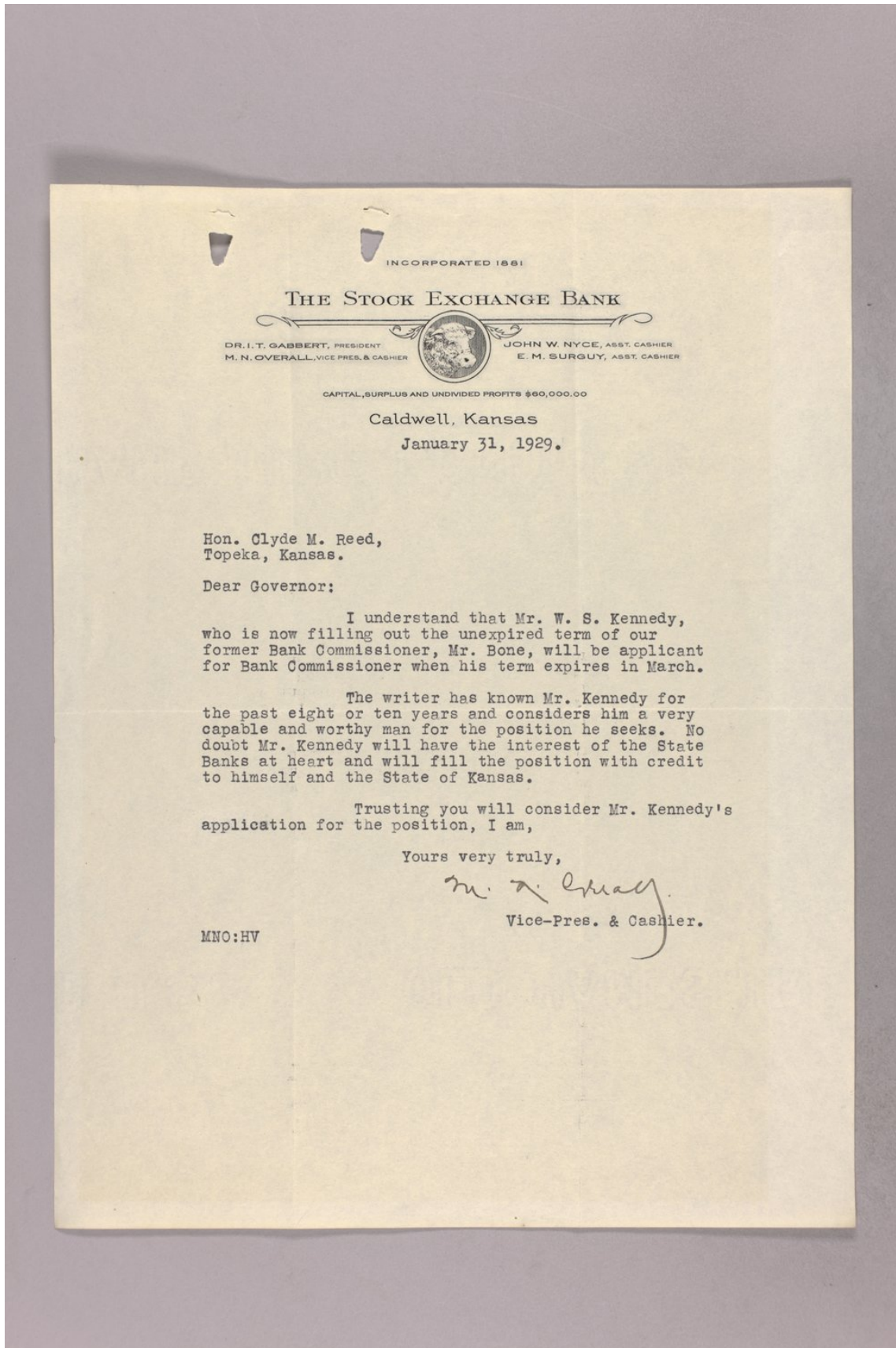
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THE STOCK EXCHANGE BANK

DR. I. T. GABBERT, PRESIDENT
M. N. OVERALL, VICE PRES. & CASHIER



JOHN W. NYCE, ASST. CASHIER
E. M. SURGUY, ASST. CASHIER

CAPITAL, SURPLUS AND UNDIVIDED PROFITS \$60,000.00

Caldwell, Kansas

January 31, 1929.

Hon. Clyde M. Reed,
Topeka, Kansas.

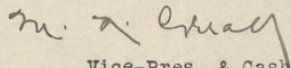
Dear Governor:

I understand that Mr. W. S. Kennedy, who is now filling out the unexpired term of our former Bank Commissioner, Mr. Bone, will be applicant for Bank Commissioner when his term expires in March.

The writer has known Mr. Kennedy for the past eight or ten years and considers him a very capable and worthy man for the position he seeks. No doubt Mr. Kennedy will have the interest of the State Banks at heart and will fill the position with credit to himself and the State of Kansas.

Trusting you will consider Mr. Kennedy's application for the position, I am,

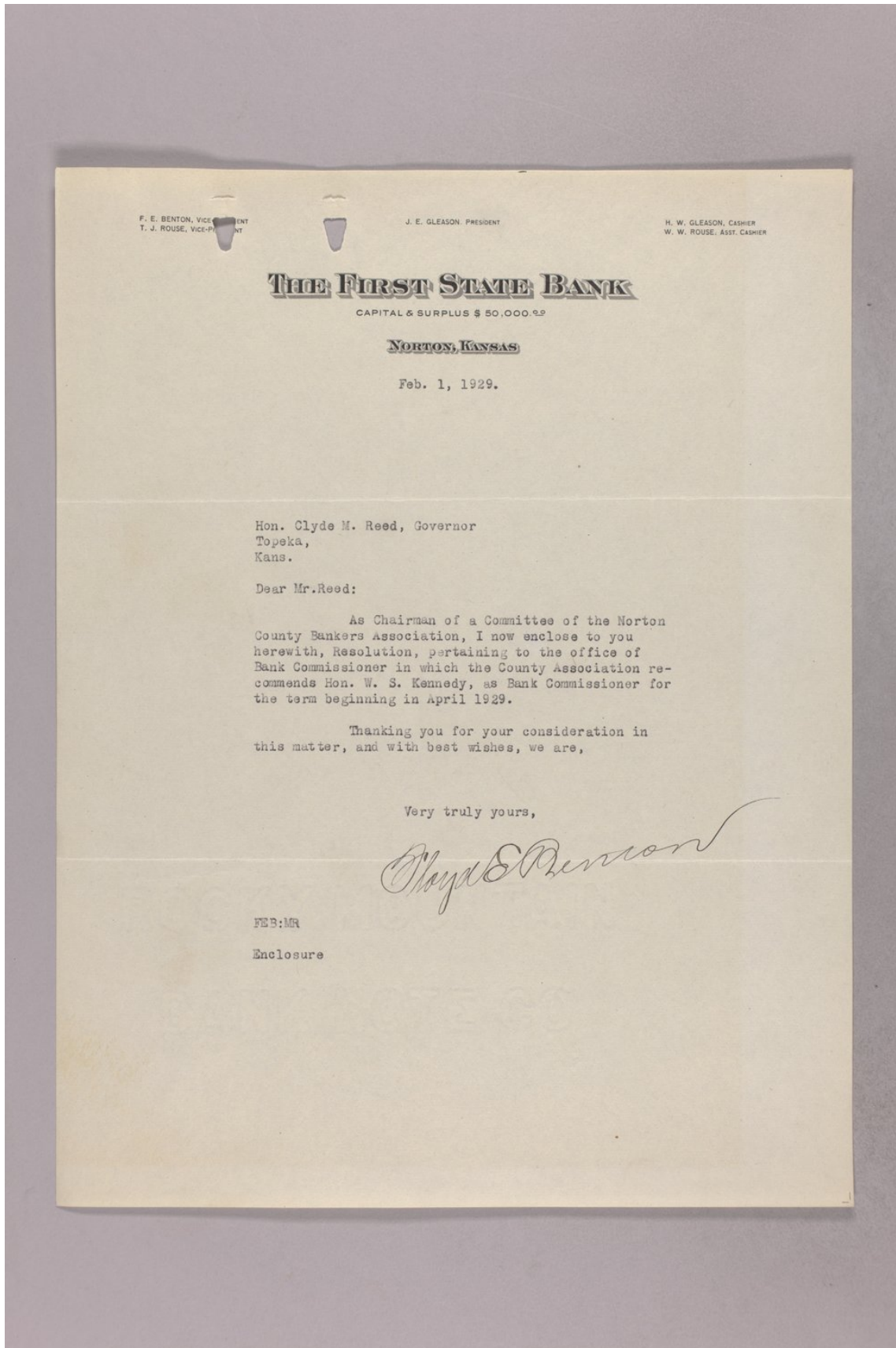
Yours very truly,



Vice-Pres. & Cashier.

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- RESOLUTION -

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Norton County Bankers Association at regular session at Norton, Kansas, on January 14th 1929, that -

WHEREAS, this Association by unanimous vote, favors the appointment of Hon. W. S. Kennedy, to the position of State Bank Commissioner for the State of Kansas, for the four year term beginning in April 1929.

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that we most heartily endorse the splendid record made by Mr. Kennedy for the past eight years in the several positions he has occupied in the Banking Department of the State of Kansas, and wish to point out to Governor Clyde M. Reed, that Mr. Kennedy has had the necessary experience to properly be placed in charge of the office of Bank Commissioner, and has proven by his many years of service that he is fully qualified for the position.

THEREFORE, for the best interests of the State Banks of Kansas, Mr. Kennedy is the qualified man for the appointment of Bank Commissioner of the State of Kansas, and we respectfully solicit his appointment.

Respectfully submitted,

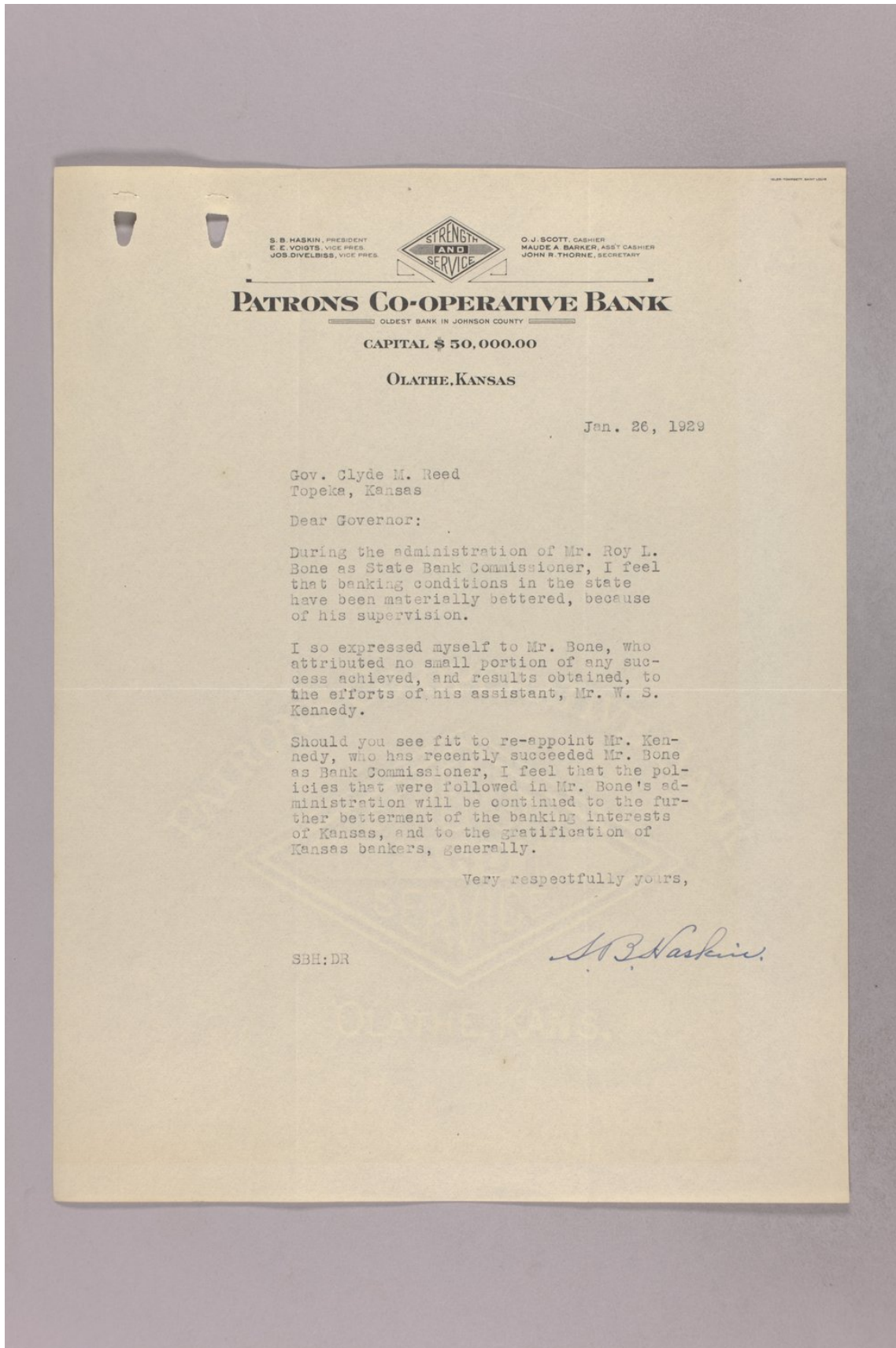
THE NORTON COUNTY BANKERS ASSOCIATION

By W. S. Kennedy
President.

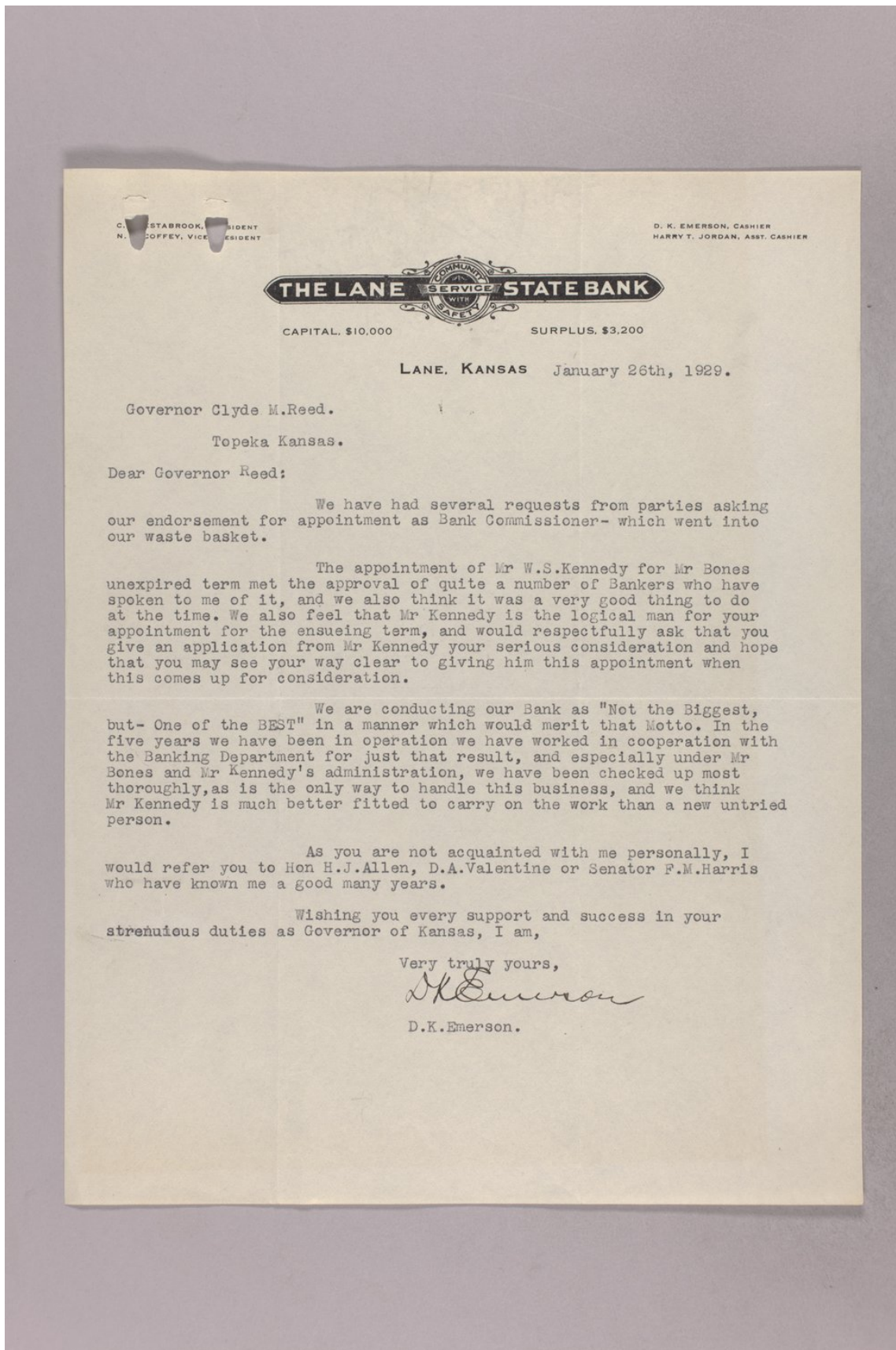
ATTEST:

W. S. Brown
Secretary.

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THE CITIZENS STATE BANK

83-551

CLAFLIN, KANSAS

Jan. 26, 1929.

Hon. Clyde Reed, Governor,
State of Kansas,
Topeka, Kansas.

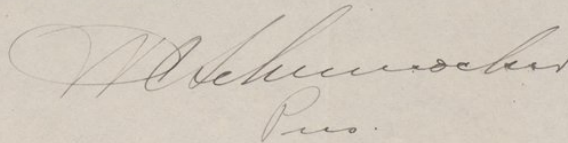
Dear Mr. Reed:--

We were well pleased with the appointment of Mr. W. S. Kennedy, Bank Commissioner for the unexpired term of Mr. Bone and we trust that you can see your way clear to appoint him for the full term. Mr. Kennedy has been a thorough official in his capacity. He has been thorough, yet he has been reasonable in his administration of affairs in that office and anyone trying to work with Mr. Kennedy is aware of the fact that he is trying and has been trying to assist banks rather than hinder them in the past two or three trying years we have had.

Conditions in the banking business in our State have been very unsatisfactory the past few years and we feel that with the wise guidance of a man with the experience of Mr. Kennedy we will all be better bankers in the future.

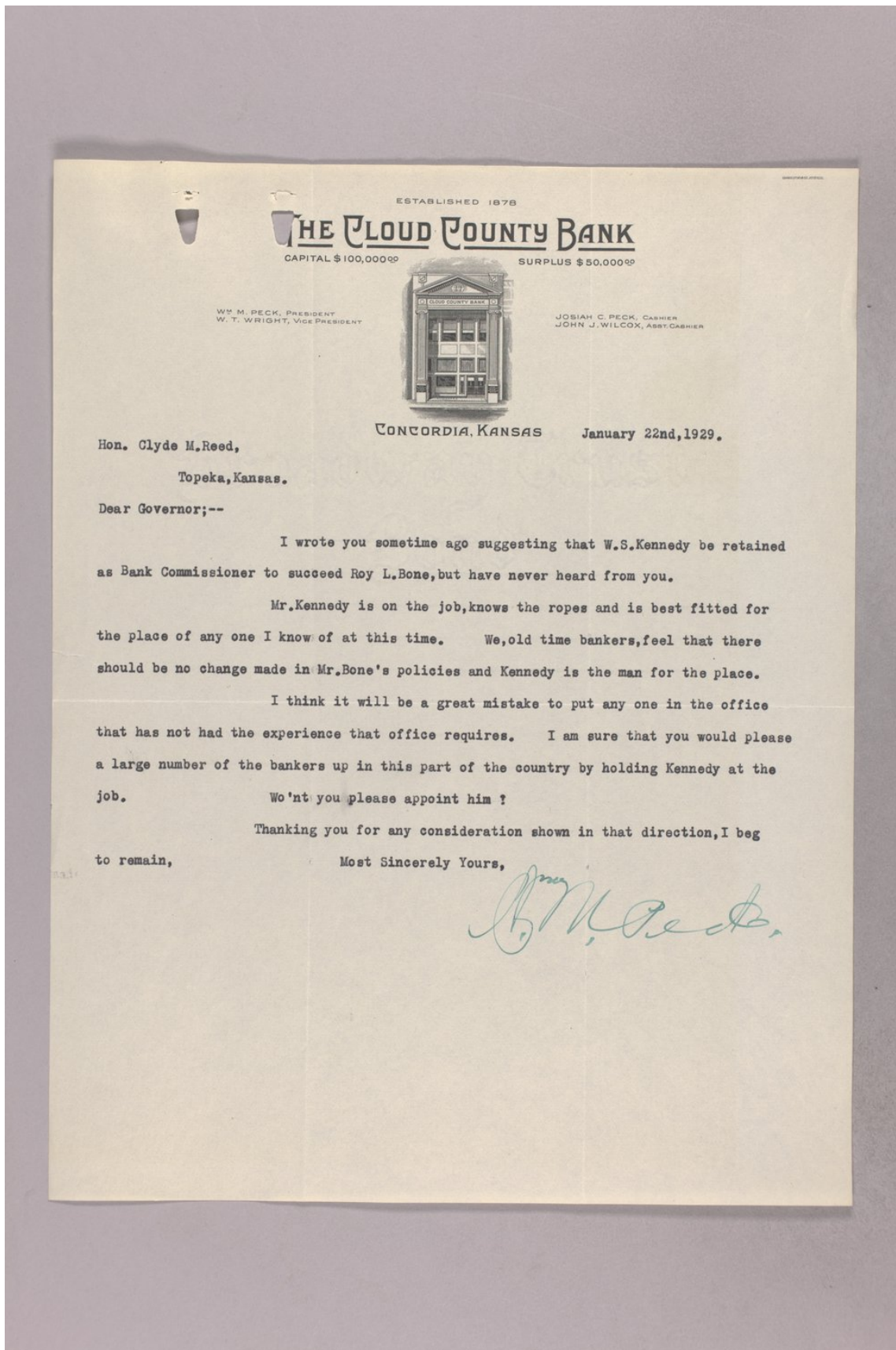
We feel that the permanent appointment of Mr. Kennedy will be universally satisfactory with the majority of State Bankers in Kansas.

Very truly yours,

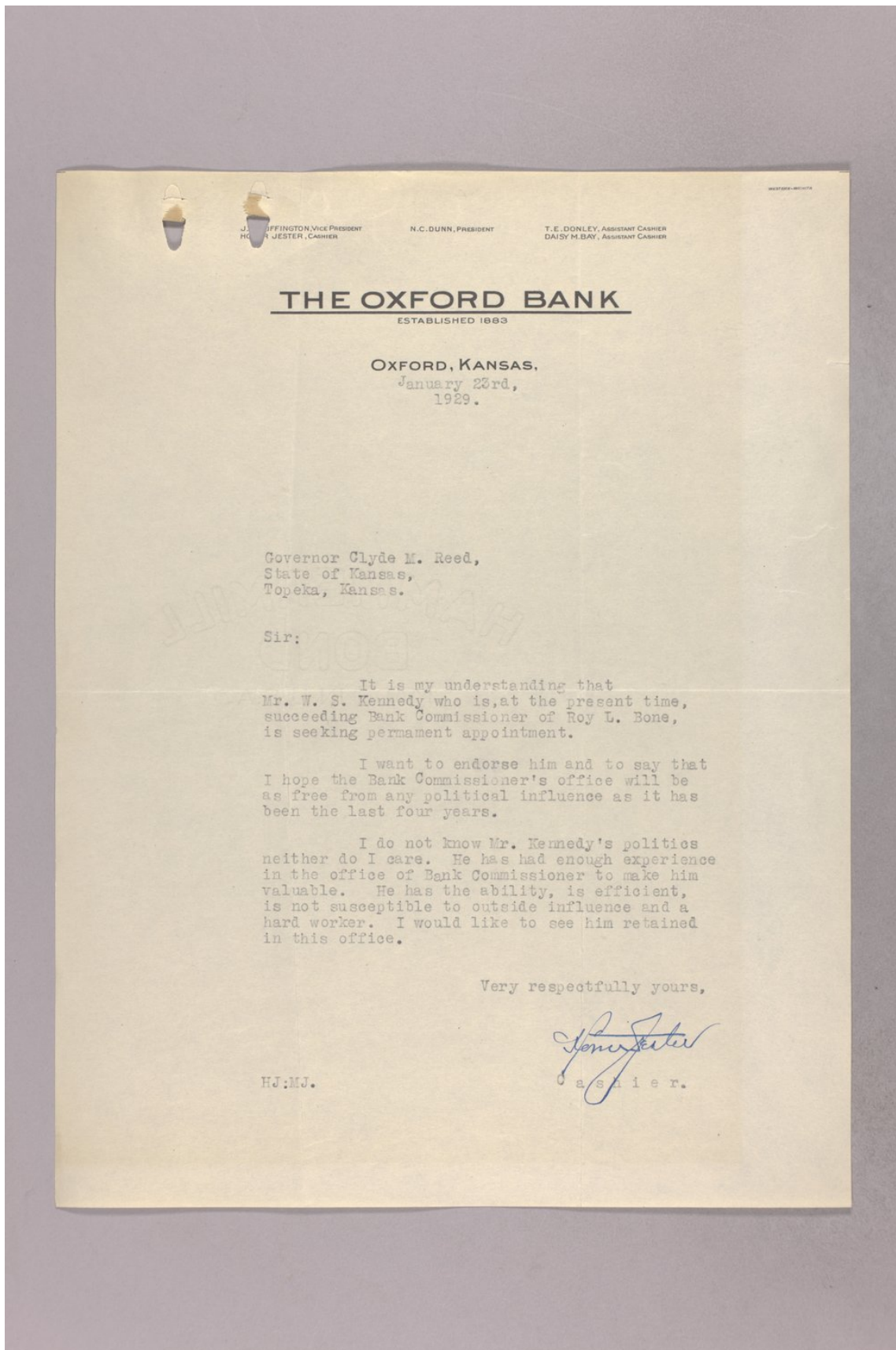


W.C. Schumacher

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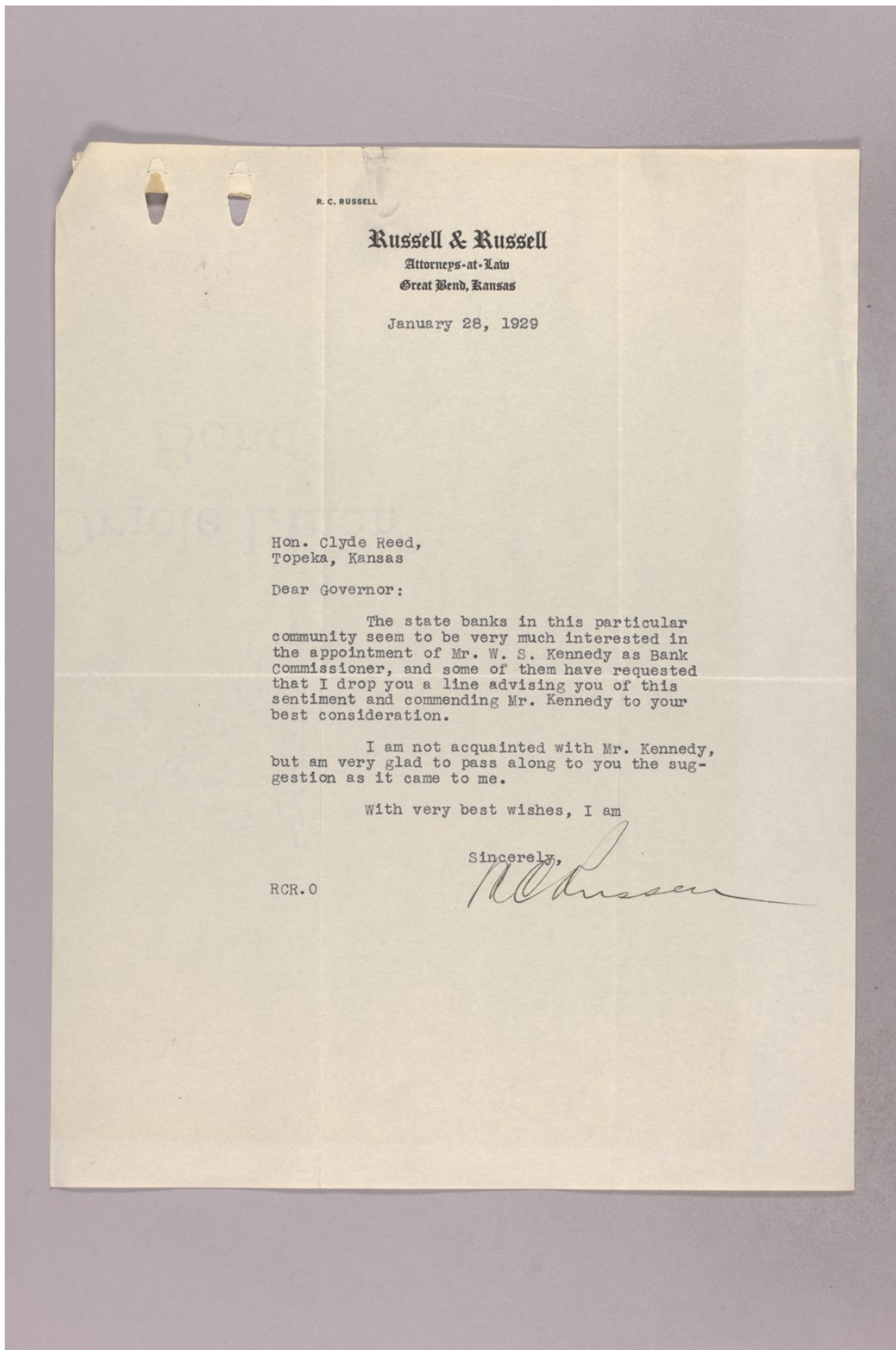


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R. C. RUSSELL

Russell & Russell

Attorneys-at-Law

Great Bend, Kansas

January 28, 1929

Hon. Clyde Reed,
Topeka, Kansas

Dear Governor:

The state banks in this particular community seem to be very much interested in the appointment of Mr. W. S. Kennedy as Bank Commissioner, and some of them have requested that I drop you a line advising you of this sentiment and commending Mr. Kennedy to your best consideration.

I am not acquainted with Mr. Kennedy, but am very glad to pass along to you the suggestion as it came to me.

With very best wishes, I am

Sincerely,

RCR.O

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