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## *Correspondence*

From your article, and a professional standpoint, such action was anything but commendable, was it not? Again, if our profession is to be elevated, and a high standard maintained, why will such large firms "as they evidently seem to be" stoop to such low practice?

I believe that if such experiences be brought to the attention of public accountants, a firmer and more independent stand will result therefrom, and more respect be given our statements when we refuse to do as was requested in the above case.

Yours very truly,

J. W. HANKS.

La Crosse, Wis., August 11, 1913.

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### **The Institute of Chartered Accountants of British Columbia**

The eighth annual meeting of the Institute of Chartered Accountants of British Columbia was held on July 21st, 1913. The membership now stands at forty-six. The council for the ensuing year consists of the following: Alfred Shaw, president; W. E. Hodges, first vice president; A. H. Edwards, second vice president; Andrew Stuart, third vice president; George E. Winter, secretary and treasurer; R. W. Middleton, H. C. Chiene, C. H. D. Robertson, and A. H. Griffiths.

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### **The Society of Louisiana Certified Public Accountants**

At the annual meeting of the Society of Louisiana Certified Public Accountants the following officers were elected for the ensuing year.

G. V. W. Lyman, president; R. C. Lloyd, vice president; Paul Havener, secretary; Myron M. Goldman, treasurer; and Henry Daspit, member of the executive committee.

G. V. W. Lyman was elected delegate and W. G. Taylor as alternate to represent the society at the annual meeting of the American Association of Public Accountants.

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### **Tennessee Society of Public Accountants**

At the annual meeting of the Tennessee Society of Public Accountants the following officers were elected for the ensuing year.

W. A. Smith, president; J. G. Metz, treasurer; and W. T. Watson, secretary.

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### **North Dakota State Board of Accountancy**

The North Dakota state board of accountancy, appointed in July, consists of Walter Thompson, of Fargo; F. F. Cuthbert, of Devils Lake, and Frank L. McVey, of Grand Forks.

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has been comparatively little literature on the subject and until the appearance of MR. KNIFFIN'S book there was not so far as the present writer's knowledge goes a volume which could be considered an adequate work of reference. America leads all nations in the aggregate and per capita amount of its funds entrusted to banks doing a savings deposit business and in some of the eastern states, most notably in New York, the faith of the public in the integrity and wise direction of the savings banks is so general that it is the exception to find the man or woman of moderate income who has not at least one savings bank account.

The story of the savings bank is brief in lapse of time but full of romance and alive with progressive activity. Probably no equally great field of financial action has ever been so rapidly developed nor, speaking generally, so blessed by the disinterested assistance of men of substance and reputation. The savings bank is today one of the great factors in the financial world—an eloquent testimony to the might of the union of small things. And it is cause for hearty gratification that with all its rapidity of growth and importance it has been so wisely governed both by statute and by trusteeship that possibility of loss of deposits is reduced to the least and the stability of the entire community is vastly strengthened in time of financial distress or crisis.

The author of the present work is one who has made a good name among the savings bank men of the state and his experience is such that he can speak with authority. Accordingly one picks up the book with that satisfaction which comes in anticipation—and is not a whit disappointed. It might be urged that the subject could well demand more extended notice than MR. KNIFFIN has been able to condense within the five hundred and fifty pages of his book, but considering the magnitude of the subject and the absence of fundamental literature no one can deny the excellence and comprehensiveness of the book. The author takes the reader through the history of the savings bank movement, both abroad and in this country, analyzes all the factors which made the movement and have carried it forward, compares the laws of states, and finally goes into a careful investigation of the theory and practice of the science as they are today.

The book undoubtedly will rank as one of the foremost authorities upon a most important subject.

A. P. R.

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### Washington State Board of Accountancy

William McAdam, C.P.A., and Rodney D. White, C.P.A., have been appointed by Governor Lister to act on the state board of accountancy of Washington in place of F. P. Greene, C.P.A., and J. P. Robertson, C.P.A.

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Clinton H. Scovell & Company, certified public accountants, announce that C. Oliver Wellington, C.P.A., has become a member of the firm as from August 1st, 1913.