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MONTANA
PART 1

BANK CHARTERS
1649-5015

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Montana - Banks Issuing National Currency – Table 1

Montana had 124 banks with charters in 77 cities that issued national currency.

Charter	Name of Bank	City
1649	First National Bank of Helena, Montana	Helena
1960	Montana National Bank of Helena, Montana	Helena
1975	First National Bank of Deer Lodge, Montana	Deer Lodge
2027	First National Bank of Bozeman, Montana	Bozeman
2105	Peoples National Bank of Helena, Montana	Helena
2106	Missoula National Bank, Missoula, Montana	Missoula
2106	First National Bank of Missoula, Montana	Missoula
2476	First National Bank of Fort Benton, Montana	Fort Benton
2476	Northwestern National Bank of Great Falls, Montana	Great Falls
2566	First National Bank of Butte, Montana	Butte
2732	Merchants National Bank of Helena, Montana	Helena
2752	First National Bank of Miles City, Montana	Miles City
2757	Second National Bank of Helena, Montana	Helena
2803	Bozeman National Bank, Bozeman, Montana	Bozeman
2813	Montana National Bank of Helena, Montana	Helena
3006	First National Bank of Livingston, Montana	Livingston
3075	Gallatin Valley National Bank of Bozeman, Montana	Bozeman
3097	First National Bank of Billings, Montana	Billings
3120	First National Bank of Dillon, Montana	Dillon
3173	Dillon National Bank, Dillon, Montana	Dillon
3275	Stock Growers National Bank of Miles City, Montana	Miles City
3375	First National Bank of White Sulphur Springs, Montana	White Sulphur Springs
3525	First National Bank of Great Falls, Montana	Great Falls
3605	National Park National Bank of Livingston, Montana	Livingston
3965	First National Bank of Anaconda, Montana	Anaconda
3995	Western Montana National Bank of Missoula, Montana	Missoula
4117	Livingston National Bank, Livingston, Montana	Livingston
4194	Stockmens National Bank of Fort Benton, Montana	Fort Benton
4283	Silver Bow National Bank of Butte City, Montana	Butte City
4323	First National Bank of Boulder, Montana	Boulder
4396	American National Bank of Helena, Montana	Helena
4396	First National Bank and Trust Company of Helena, Montana	Helena [1929]
4406	Helena National Bank, Helena, Montana	Helena
4434	Merchants National Bank of Great Falls, Montana	Great Falls
4541	Great Falls National Bank, Great Falls, Montana	Great Falls
4572	First National Bank of Castle, Montana	Castle

Charter	Name of Bank	City
4586	First National Bank of Kalispell, Montana	Kalispell
4590	First National Bank of Big Timber, Montana	Big Timber
4593	Yellowstone National Bank of Billings, Montana	Billings
4593	Yellowstone-Merchants National Bank of Billings, Montana	Billings
4600	First National Bank of Neihart, Montana	Neihart
4651	Globe National Bank of Kalispell, Montana	Kalispell
4658	First National Bank of Phillipsburg, Montana	Phillipsburg
4803	Conrad National Bank of Kalispell, Montana	Kalispell
4843	Merchants and Miners National Bank of Phillipsburg, Montana	Phillipsburg
4932	Big Timber National Bank, Big Timber, Montana	Big Timber
4968	Commercial National Bank of Bozeman, Montana	Bozeman
5015	State National Bank of Miles City, Montana	Miles City
5015	Commercial National Bank of Miles City, Montana	Miles City

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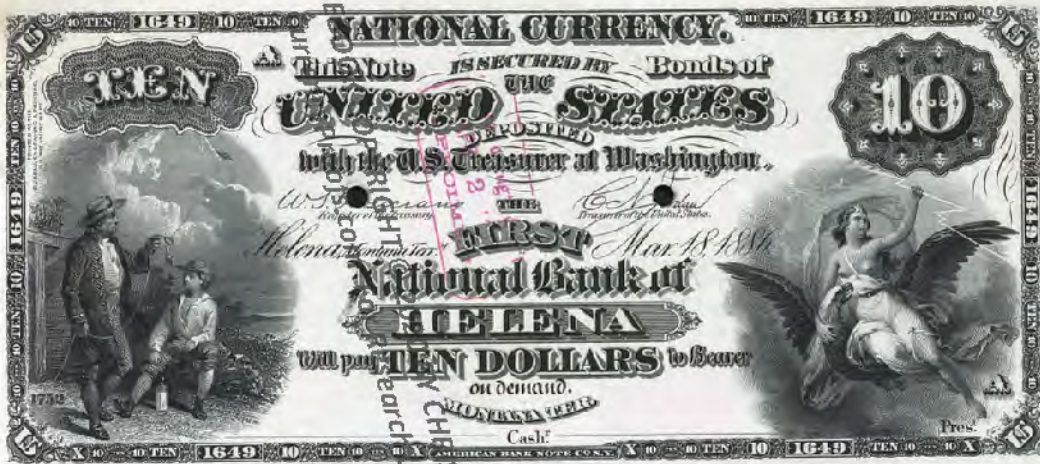


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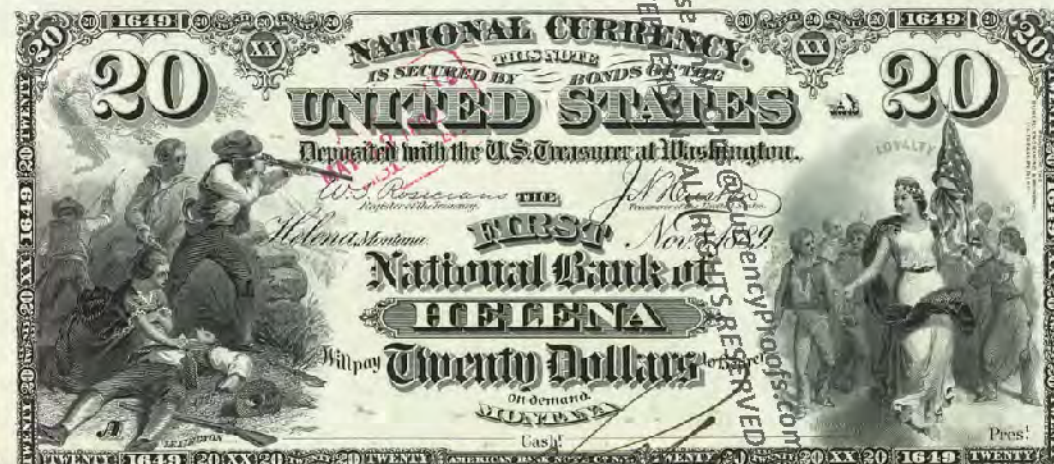
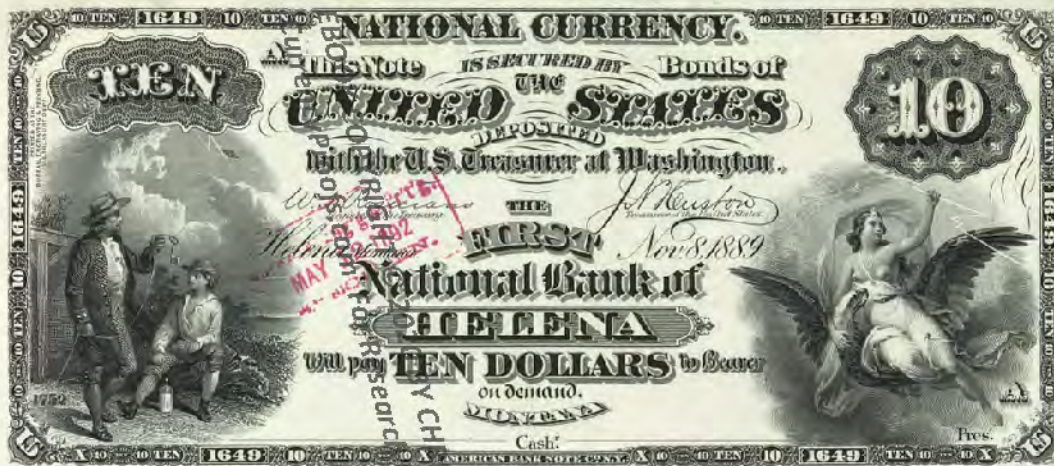


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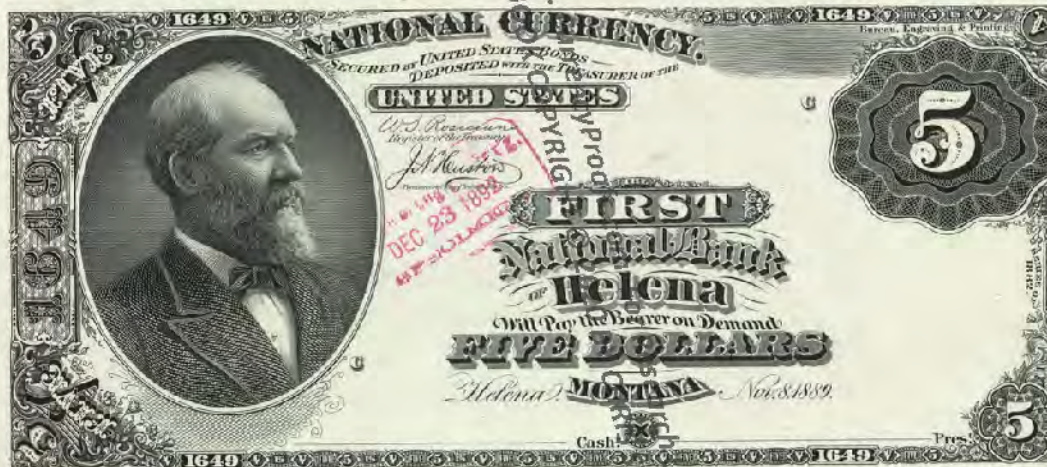
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