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From 1961 to 1978...

Les Carey, has watched Bunceton bank grow



Leslie Thompson began working at the Bunceton State Bank in 1961, at which time the bank's total assets were one million dollars. On June 30, 1978, the total assets had reached the five million mark. (Daily News photo by M. Scott Bridgewater)

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The Bunceton State Bank has served the people of the Bunceton community for forty-six years. Chartered in Tipton in 1923 as the Tipton State, The bank moved to Bunceton in 1932 after the Bank of Bunceton closed.

Today the Bunceton State Bank is housed in a modest red-brick building on the corner of Main and Elm Streets. Its front windows are filled with signs announcing community and county events. Its tellers are friendly and helpful. Banking hours are traditional: 9-12, 1-3 weekdays, 9-12 Saturdays. At any time

during these hours there are always two or three people waiting to talk to Leslie R. Carey, the bank's president and managing officer. On rainy days, there are more. Usually the customers wait patiently. They sit on a green vinyl sofa near the bank's front door. They visit one another, leaf through a farm