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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
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FORM 10-Q

Quarterly Report Under Section 13 or 15 (d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

For the Quarter:
March 31, 1997 Commission File Number 0-13358

CAPITAL CITY BANK GROUP, INC.
(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)


> Yes
$\qquad$
$\qquad$ No $\qquad$

At April 30, 1997, 5,795,912 shares of the Registrant's Common Stock, $\$ .01$ par value, were outstanding.
<TABLE>
CAPITAL CITY BANK GROUP, INC.
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$\left.\begin{array}{lr}\begin{array}{c}\text { March 31, } \\ 1997\end{array} & \begin{array}{c}\text { December 31, } \\ 1996 \\ \text { (Unaudited) }\end{array} \\ \text { (Audited) }\end{array}\right\}$


## </TABLE>

(1) All share and per share data have been adjusted for a 2 -for-1 stock split effective April 1, 1997.
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> CAPITAL CITY BANK GROUP, INC. CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF INCOME FOR THE THREE MONTHS ENDED MARCH $31(1)$ (Dollars in Thousands, Except Per Share Amounts)
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INTEREST INCOME
Interest and Fees on Loans
Investment Securities:
U. S. Treasury
U. S. Government Agencies/Corp.

States and Political Subdivisions
Other Securities
Funds Sold
Total Interest Income

| $\begin{gathered} 1997 \\ \text { Unaudited } \end{gathered}$ |  | $\begin{gathered} 1996 \\ \text { Unaudited } \end{gathered}$ |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |  |
| <C> |  | <C> |  |
| \$ | 15,398 | \$ | 10,675 |
|  | 1,028 |  | 1,044 |
|  | 816 |  | 1,011 |
|  | 832 |  | 904 |
|  | 96 |  | 69 |
|  | 259 |  | 458 |
| \$ | 18,429 | \$ | 14,161 |

INTEREST EXPENSE

| Deposits | 6,362 | 4,770 |
| :--- | ---: | ---: |
| Federal Funds Purchased \& Securities |  | 283 |
| Sold Under Repurchase Agreements | 373 | 12 |
| Other Short-Term Borrowings | 37 | 30 |
| Long-Term Debt | 304 |  |
| Total Interest Expense | 7,076 | 5,095 |
| Net Interest Income | 11,353 | 9,066 |
| Provision for Loan Losses | 456 | 261 |
| Net Interest Income After Provision for |  | 8,805 |
| Loan Losses | 10,897 |  |
| NONINTEREST INCOME |  | 1,519 |
| Service Charges on Deposit Accounts | 2,013 | 667 |
| Data Processing | 800 | 288 |
| Income from Fiduciary Activities | 275 | 12 |
| Securities Transactions | 121 | 1,072 |
| Other | 4,450 | 3,558 |


| NONINTEREST EXPENSE |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Salaries and Employee Benefits |  | 5,794 |  | 4,785 |
| Occupancy, Net |  | 705 |  | 617 |
| Furniture and Equipment |  | 1,285 |  | 891 |
| Other |  | 3,017 |  | 2,485 |
| Total Noninterest Expense |  | 10,801 |  | 8,778 |
| Income Before Income Taxes |  | 4,546 |  | 3,585 |
| Income Tax Expense |  | 1,504 |  | 1,018 |
| NET INCOME | \$ | 3,042 | \$ | 2,567 |
| Net Income Per Share | \$ | . 53 | \$ | . 45 |
| Cash Dividends Per Share | \$ | . 15 | \$ | . 135 |
| Average Shares Outstanding |  | 92,292 |  | 9,960 |

Average Shares Outstanding </TABLE>
(1) All share and per share data have been adjusted for a 2 -for-1 stock split effective April 1, 1997.

<TABLE>
CAPITAL CITY BANK GROUP, INC.
CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS FOR THE PERIODS ENDED MARCH 31 (Dollars in Thousands)
<CAPTION>
\begin{tabular}{|c|c|c|}
\hline & \[
\begin{gathered}
1997 \\
\text { (Unaudited) }
\end{gathered}
\] & \[
\begin{gathered}
1996 \\
\text { (Unaudited) }
\end{gathered}
\] \\
\hline <S> & <C> & <C> \\
\hline NET INCOME & \$ 3,042 & \$ 2,567 \\
\hline \multicolumn{3}{|l|}{Adjustments to Reconcile Net Income to} \\
\hline \multicolumn{3}{|l|}{Cash Provided by Operating Activities:} \\
\hline Provision for Loan Losses & 456 & 261 \\
\hline Depreciation & 782 & 609 \\
\hline Net Amortization (Accretion)-AFS & & \\
\hline Securities & 117 & 303 \\
\hline Amortization of Intangible Assets & 307 & 61 \\
\hline Non-Cash Compensation & 184 & 90 \\
\hline Net (Increase) Decrease in Interest Receivable & (209) & 27 \\
\hline Net (Increase) Decrease in Other Assets & 553 & (331) \\
\hline Net Increase (Decrease) in Other Liabilities & \((1,222)\) & \((1,814)\) \\
\hline
\end{tabular}
Net Cash From Operating Activities 4,010 1,773

CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES:
\begin{tabular}{ccr} 
Proceeds from Payments/Maturities of & & \\
Investment Securities-AFS & 15,954 & \((17,084\) \\
Purchase of Investment Securities-AFS & - & \((19,124)\) \\
Net (Increase) Decrease in Loans & \((19,397)\) & \((956)\) \\
Purchase of Premises \& Equipment & 228 & - \\
Sales of Premises \& Equipment & \((3,671)\) & \((1,954)\)
\end{tabular}

CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES:
\begin{tabular}{|c|c|c|c|c|}
\hline Net Increase (Decrease) in Deposits & & \((26,630)\) & & \((22,417)\) \\
\hline Net Increase (Decrease) in Federal & & & & \\
\hline Funds Purchased & & 5,258 & & 8,693 \\
\hline Net Increase (Decrease) in Other Short-Term Borrowings & & (650) & & (574) \\
\hline Repayment of Long-Term Debt & & (544) & & (27) \\
\hline Dividends Paid & & (869) & & \((3,313)\) \\
\hline Issuance of Common Stock & & 341 & & 186 \\
\hline Net Cash From Financing Activities & & \((23,094)\) & & \((17,452)\) \\
\hline Net Increase (Decrease) in Cash and Cash Equivalents & & \((22,755)\) & & \((17,633)\) \\
\hline Cash and Cash Equivalents at Beginning of Period & & 88,906 & & 103,063 \\
\hline Cash and Cash Equivalents at End of Period & \$ & 66,151 & \$ & 85,430 \\
\hline Supplemental Disclosure: & & & & \\
\hline Interest Paid & \$ & 6,426 & \$ & 6,237 \\
\hline Taxes Paid & & - & & - \\
\hline Transfer of Loans to ORE & \$ & 443 & \$ & 897 \\
\hline
\end{tabular}

CAPITAL CITY BANK GROUP, INC. NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

\section*{(1) MANAGEMENT'S OPINION AND ACCOUNTING POLICIES}

The consolidated financial statements, included herein, have been prepared by the Company, without audit, pursuant to the rules and regulations of the Securities and Exchange Commission. Certain
information and footnote disclosures normally included in financial statements prepared in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles have been condensed or omitted pursuant to such rules and regulations. Prior year financial statements have been reformatted and/or amounts reclassified, as necessary, to conform with the current year presentation. All share and per share data have been adjusted to reflect a 2-for-1 stock split paid effective April 1, 1997.

In the opinion of management, the consolidated financial statements contain all adjustments, which are those of a recurring nature, and disclosures necessary to present fairly the financial position of the Company as of March 31, 1997 and December 31, 1996, and the results of operations and cash flows for the three month periods ended March 31, 1997 and 1996.

The Company and its subsidiaries follow generally accepted accounting principles and reporting practices applicable to the banking industry. The principles which materially affect the financial position, results of operations and cash flows are set forth in Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements which are included in the Company's 1996 Annual Report and Form 10-K. The Company has not significantly changed its accounting and reporting policies from those disclosed in its 1996 Annual Report on Form 10-K.
(2) INVESTMENT SECURITIES

The carrying value and related market value/amortized cost of
investment securities in the available-for-sale portfolio at March 31, 1997 and December 31, 1996 were as follows (dollars in thousands):
<TABLE>
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(3) LOANS

The composition of the Company's loan portfolio at March 31, 1997 and December 31, 1996 was as follows (dollars in thousands):
<TABLE>
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\begin{tabular}{lll} 
& \begin{tabular}{c} 
March 31, \\
1997
\end{tabular} & \begin{tabular}{c} 
December 31, \\
<S>
\end{tabular} \\
<C> & <C>
\end{tabular}
</TABLE>
(4) ALLOWANCE FOR LOAN LOSSES

An analysis of the changes in the allowance for loan losses for the three month period ended March 31, 1997 and 1996, is as follows (dollars in thousands):
<TABLE>
<CAPTION>
\begin{tabular}{lcr} 
Balance, Beginning of the Period & \(\$ 8,179\) & \(\$ 6,474\) \\
Provision for Loan Losses & 456 & 261 \\
Recoveries on Loans Previously & & \\
\(\quad\) Charged-Off & 183 & 104 \\
Loans Charged-Off & \((546)\) & \((410)\) \\
Balance, End of Period & \(\$ 8,272\) & \(\$ 6,429\)
\end{tabular}

\section*{</TABLE>}

Impaired loans are primarily defined as all nonaccruing loans for the loan categories which are included within the scope of SFAS 114.
Selected information pertaining to impaired loans is depicted in the table below (dollars in thousands):
<TABLE>
<CAPTION>
\begin{tabular}{|c|c|c|c|c|}
\hline \multirow{3}{*}{Impaired Loans:} & \multicolumn{4}{|c|}{March 31, 1997} \\
\hline & \multicolumn{2}{|l|}{\multirow[b]{2}{*}{Balance}} & \multicolumn{2}{|l|}{Valuation} \\
\hline & & & & nce \\
\hline <S> & \multicolumn{2}{|l|}{<C>} & \multicolumn{2}{|l|}{<C>} \\
\hline With Related Credit Allowance & \$ & 141 & \$ & 48 \\
\hline Without Related Credit Allowance & & 1,429 & & - \\
\hline Average Recorded Investment & & & & \\
\hline for the Period & & 2,131 & & * \\
\hline \multicolumn{5}{|l|}{Interest Income:} \\
\hline Recognized & \$ & 24 & & \\
\hline Collected & \$ & 24 & & \\
\hline \multicolumn{5}{|l|}{<CAPTION>} \\
\hline & \multicolumn{4}{|c|}{March 31, 1996} \\
\hline \multirow[t]{2}{*}{Impaired Loans:} & & & \multicolumn{2}{|l|}{Valuation} \\
\hline & \multicolumn{2}{|r|}{Balance} & \multicolumn{2}{|l|}{Allowance} \\
\hline <S> & \multicolumn{2}{|l|}{<C>} & \multicolumn{2}{|l|}{<C>} \\
\hline With Related Credit Allowance & \$ & 133 & \$ & 19 \\
\hline Without Related Credit Allowance & & 1,642 & & - \\
\hline Average Recorded Investment & & & & \\
\hline for the Period & & 2,166 & & * \\
\hline Interest Income: & & & & \\
\hline Recognized & \$ & 12 & & \\
\hline Collected & & 7 & & \\
\hline
\end{tabular}
</TABLE>
* Not Applicable

The Company recognizes income on impaired loans primarily on the cash basis. Any change in the present value of expected cash flows is recognized through the allowance for loan losses.
(5) DEPOSITS

The composition of the Company's interest bearing deposits at March 31, 1997 and December 31, 1996 was as follows (dollars in thousands): <TABLE>
<CAPTION>
\begin{tabular}{cr} 
March 31, 1997 & \begin{tabular}{c} 
December 31, \\
<C \(>\)
\end{tabular} \\
\(\$ 103,681\) & \(\$ 114,507\) \\
79,599 & 79,352 \\
90,191 & 91,986 \\
377,896 & 384,365 \\
\(\$ 651,367\) & \(\$ 670,210\)
\end{tabular}
<S>
NOW Accounts
Money Market Accounts
Savings Deposits
Other Time Deposits
Total Interest Bearing Deposits \$651,367
\$670,210
</TABLE>

\section*{(6) ACCOUNTING PRONOUNCEMENTS}

Effective January 1, 1997, Capital City Bank Group adopted SFAS No. 125, "Accounting for Transfers and Servicing of Financial Assets and Extinguishments of Liabilities." This Statement establishes new rules for determining whether a transfer of financial assets constitutes a sale and, if so, the determination of any resulting gain or loss. This Statement requires that an enterprise recognize only assets it controls and liabilities it has incurred, to remove assets only when control has been surrendered, and to remove liabilities only when they have been extinguished. The Statement will be effective for the Company's December 31, 1997 financial statements and is not anticipated to have a material impact on the Company's financial condition or results of operations.

In February 1997, the Financial Accounting Standards Board issued Statements of Financial Accounting Standards (SFAS) No. 128, "Earnings per Share" which, when adopted, will replace the current methodology for calculating and presenting earnings per share. Under SFAS No. 128, primary earnings per share will be replaced with a presentation of basic earnings per share and fully diluted earnings per share will be replaced with diluted earnings per share. Basic earnings per share excludes dilution and is computed by dividing income available to
common stockholders by the weighted average number of common shares outstanding for the period. Diluted earnings per share is computed similarly to fully diluted earnings per share. The Statement will be effective for the Company's December 31, 1997 financial statements and is not anticipated to have a material impact on the Company's financial condition or results of operations.

ITEM 2. MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS OF FINANCIAL CONDITION AND RESULTS OF OPERATIONS

The following discussion sets forth the major factors that have affected the Company's financial condition and results of operations and should be read in conjunction with the accompanying financial statements. The year-to-date averages used in this report are based on daily balances for each respective period.

On July 1, 1996, the Company completed its acquisition of First Financial Bancorp, Inc. and its wholly-owned subsidiary, First Federal Bank (collectively referred to as "First Financial"). The acquisition was accounted for as a purchase. Financial comparisons to prior year periods are not necessarily comparable due to the impact of the acquisition.

\section*{RESULTS OF OPERATIONS}

Net Income
Net income was \(\$ 3.0\) million, or \(\$ .53\) per share for the first quarter of 1997, a per share increase of \(17.8 \%\) over the \(\$ 2.6\) million, or \(\$ .45\) per share for the comparable period in 1996. Operating revenues, which include net interest income and noninterest income, increased \(\$ 3.2\) million, or \(25.2 \%\), over the first quarter of 1996 , and was the most significant factor contributing to the increase in earnings (dollars in thousands):
<TABLE>
<CAPTION>
For The Three Months Ended March 31 19971996 <S>
<C> <C>

Interest Income
\$18,429 \$14,161

Taxable Equivalent Adjustment(1)
427
\$14,161
Interest Income (FTE)
14,622
Interest Expense
\begin{tabular}{rr}
18,856 & 14,622 \\
7,076 & 5,095
\end{tabular}

Net Interest Income (FTE) 11,780 9,527
Provision for Loan Losses 456261
Taxable Equivalent Adjustment
\(427 \quad 461\)

Net Int. Inc. After Provision
\(10,897 \quad 8,805\)

Noninterest Income
3,558
Noninterest Expense
\begin{tabular}{rr}
4,450 & 3,558 \\
10,801 & 8,778
\end{tabular}

Income Before Income Taxes
4,546 3,585
\(1,504 \quad 1,018\)

Income Taxes
3,042 \$ 2,567
Percent Change
\(18.50 \% 17.32 \%\)
Return on Average Assets (2)
\(1.23 \%\)
\(1.30 \%\)
Return on Average Equity (2)
\(13.61 \%\)
\(12.59 \%\) </TABLE>
(1) Computed using a statutory tax rate of \(35 \%\)
(2) Annualized

Net Interest Income
First quarter taxable equivalent net interest income increased \$2.3 million, or \(23.9 \%\), over the comparable period for 1996. The increase is attributable to a higher level of earning assets and growth in the loan portfolio. The acquisition of First Financial contributed significantly to the Company's growth and increase in net interest income. Table I on page 14 provides a comparative analysis of the Company's average balances and interest rates.

Taxable-equivalent interest income increased \(\$ 4.3\) million, or \(29.1 \%\), due to growth in the loan portfolio. Loans, which represent the Company's highest yielding asset, increased (on average) \$226.2 million, or \(50.0 \%\), representing \(75.7 \%\) of total earning assets during the first quarter of 1997 versus \(64.1 \%\) for the comparable quarter in 1996. The substantial increase in the loan portfolio reflects the First Financial acquisition and a reduction in the investment portfolio. The favorable shift in mix of earning assets contributed to an increase of 20 basis points in the yield on earning assets which rose from 8.33\% in the first quarter of 1996 to 8.53\% in 1996.

Interest expense increased \(\$ 2.0\) million, or \(38.9 \%\) due to higher levels of interest bearing deposits and a shift in deposit mix.

Average deposits increased \(\$ 166.7\) million, or \(24.8 \%\), reflecting the acquisition of First Financial. Certificates of deposit, which generally represent a higher cost of funds than other deposit offerings, increased as a percent of average deposits from \(38.3 \%\) in the first quarter of 1996 to \(45.2 \%\) in the first quarter of 1997. This shift in deposit mix is attributable to the mix of acquired deposits and led to a 17 basis point increase in the average rate paid on interest bearing liabilities, which rose from 3.83\% in the first quarter of 1996 to \(4.00 \%\) in the first quarter of 1997.

The Company's interest rate spread (defined as the average taxable equivalent yield on earning assets less the average rate paid on interest bearing liabilities) increased from \(4.50 \%\) in the first quarter of 1996 to \(4.52 \%\) in the comparable quarter for 1997 due to the higher yield on earning assets. The Company's net interest margin percentage (defined as taxable-equivalent net interest income divided by average earning assets) was \(5.43 \%\) in the first quarter of 1996, versus \(5.32 \%\) in the first quarter of 1997 . The decrease in the margin reflects the higher costs of funds.

Provisions for Loan Losses
The provision for loan losses for the three months ended March 31, 1997, was \(\$ 456,000\) versus \(\$ 261,000\) for the first quarter of 1996 . Net charge-offs, while up slightly from 1996, remain at historically low levels relative to the size of the loan portfolio. Nonperforming loans declined \(\$ 400,000\), or \(13.3 \%\), during the first quarter. As compared to year-end, the reserve for loan losses increased slightly to \(\$ 8.3\) million, and represented \(1.20 \%\) of total loans versus \(1.22 \%\). For a discussion of the Company's nonperforming loans, see the section entitled "Financial Condition."

Based on current economic conditions, the low level of nonperforming loans and net charge-offs, it is management's opinion that the allowance for loan losses as of March 31, 1997, is sufficient to provide for losses inherent in the portfolio as of that date.

Charge-off activity for the respective periods is set forth below. <TABLE>
<CAPTION>
Three Months Ended
March 31,
\begin{tabular}{ll}
1997 & \\
<C> \(>\) & <C> \\
\(\$ 363,000\) & \(\$ 306,000\)
\end{tabular}

\section*{<S> \\ Net Charge-Offs}
\[
\$ 363,000
\]
\(\$ 306,000\)
Net Charge-Offs (Annualized) as a percent
of Average Loans Outstanding, Net of
Unearned Interest .20\%
\(.28 \%\)
</TABLE>
Noninterest Income
Noninterest income increased \(\$ 892,000\), or \(25.1 \%\), over the first
quarter of 1996, which included gains in all major categories except income from fiduciary activities, which was down slightly. Although the acquisition of First Financial positively impacted noninterest income, the increase is principally attributable to the implementation of recommendations resulting from a profit enhancement program conducted in the latter half of 1995 and repricing of the Bank's service fees.

Service charges on deposit accounts increased \(\$ 494,000\), or \(32.5 \%\). The increase in the first quarter of 1997, compared to the comparable quarter in 1996, reflects an increase in the bank service fees which went into effect on July 1, 1996.

Data processing revenues increased \(\$ 133,000\), or \(19.9 \%\), over the first quarter of 1996. The increase reflects higher processing revenues associated with both government agencies and third party banks.

Other income increased \(\$ 292,000\), or \(27.2 \%\), over the comparable quarter of 1996. Gains on the sale of real estate loans increased \$142,000 due to the acquisition of First Financial. Additionally, check printing income increased \(\$ 56,000\) and credit life insurance commissions increased \(\$ 43,000\).

Noninterest income as a percent of average assets was \(1.7 \%\) for the first quarter of 1997 versus 1.8\% for the comparable quarter in 1996.

Noninterest Expense
Noninterest expense in the first quarter of 1997 increased \(\$ 2.0\) million, or \(23.0 \%\), over the first quarter of 1996 . The comparison to first quarter 1996 is substantially impacted by the acquisition of

First Financial. In a linked quarter comparison, noninterest expense is up \(\$ 69,000\), or \(.64 \%\) versus the fourth quarter 1996.

Compensation expense increased \(\$ 1.0\) million, or \(21.1 \%\), over the first quarter of 1996 reflecting annual raises and an increase in full-time equivalent employees of 73 .

Occupancy expense, including premises, furniture, fixtures and equipment increased \(\$ 482,000\), or \(32.0 \%\). The increase is primarily attributable to the addition of five new offices through the First Financial acquisition.

Other noninterest expense increased \(\$ 532,000\), or \(21.4 \%\). The increase was principally attributable to advertising, which was up \(\$ 131,000\), or \(102 \%\), and amortization of intangible assets, which was up \(\$ 165,000\), or 271\%.

Net noninterest expense (noninterest income minus noninterest expense) as a percent of average assets was \(2.58 \%\) in the first quarter of 1997 versus \(2.98 \%\) for the first quarter of 1996 . The Company's efficiency ratio (noninterest expense expressed as a percent of the sum of taxable-equivalent net interest income plus noninterest income) was \(66.5 \%\) in the first quarter 1997 compared to \(67.1 \%\) for the comparable quarter in 1996. The reduction in the efficiency ratio is attributable to growth in operating revenues.

Income Taxes
The provision for income taxes increased \(\$ 486,000\), or \(47.7 \%\), over the first quarter of 1996. The increase in the provision is attributable to higher taxable income. The Company's effective tax rate for the first quarter of 1997 was \(33.1 \%\) compared to \(28.4 \%\) for the same quarter in 1996. The increase in the effective tax rate is attributable to a decrease in tax exempt income as a percent of taxable income in the first quarter of 1997 as compared to first quarter of 1996.

\section*{FINANCIAL CONDITION}

Average balances for the first quarter of 1997 reflect the acquisition of First Financial which was consummated on July 1, 1996. Table I on page 14 presents average balances for the three months ended March 31, 1997 and 1996.

The Company's average assets increased to \(\$ 999.8\) million in the first quarter of 1997 from \(\$ 791.2\) million in the first quarter of 1996. Average earning assets were \(\$ 896.1\) million for the three months ended March 31, 1997 versus \(\$ 705.5\) million for the comparable quarter of 1996. The most significant change in the mix of earning assets occurred through growth in the loan portfolio. Average loans were up \(\$ 226.2\) million, or \(50.0 \%\). The increase in the loan portfolio reflects the First Financial acquisition and a reduction in the investment portfolio.

The investment portfolio is a significant component of the company's operations and, as such, it functions as a key element of liquidity and asset/liability management. Securities in the Available-for-Sale portfolio are recorded at fair value and unrealized gains and losses associated with these securities are recorded, net of tax, as a separate component of shareholders' equity. At March 31, 1997, shareholders' equity included a net unrealized loss of \$389,000 compared to a gain of \(\$ 82,000\) at December 31,1996 . The reduction in value reflects the rise in interest rates during the first quarter.

At March 31, 1997, the Company's nonperforming loans were \(\$ 2.6\) million versus \(\$ 3.0\) million at year-end and \(\$ 4.6\) million at March 31, 1996. As a percent of nonperforming loans, the allowance for loan losses represented \(323 \%\) at March 31, 1997 versus \(276 \%\) at December 31, 1996 and \(183 \%\) at March 31, 1996. Nonperforming loans include nonaccruing and restructured loans. Other real estate, which includes property acquired either through foreclosure or by receiving a deed in lieu of foreclosure, was \(\$ 1.6\) million at March 31, 1997, versus \(\$ 1.5\) million at December 31, 1996, and \(\$ 1.1\) million at March 31, 1996. The ratio of nonperforming assets as a percent of loans plus other real estate was \(.60 \%\) at March 31, 1997 compared to . 66\% at December 31, 1996 and \(1.00 \%\) at March 31, 1996.

Average deposits increased \(24.8 \%\) from \(\$ 673.2\) million in the first quarter of 1996 , to \(\$ 840.0\) million in the first quarter of 1997. The growth in deposits is attributable to the acquisition of First Financial. At the time of acquisition, certificates of deposit constituted \(75 \%\) of the acquired deposits. As a result, the Company experienced a significant shift in its deposit mix. During the first quarter, certificates of deposit represented \(45.2 \%\) of total deposits compared to \(38.3 \%\) for the comparable quarter in 1996. This shift in mix has contributed to a compression in the Company's net interest
margin which averaged \(5.32 \%\) in the first quarter of 1997 versus \(5.43 \%\) in 1996.

The ratio of average noninterest bearing deposits to total deposits was \(21.3 \%\) for the first quarter of 1997 compared to \(24.5 \%\) for the first quarter of 1996. For the same periods, the ratio of average interest bearing liabilities to average earning assets was \(80.0 \%\) and \(75.9 \%\), respectively. The change in both ratios is primarily attributable to the acquisition of First Financial.

\section*{LIQUIDITY AND CAPITAL RESOURCES}

Liquidity, for a financial institution, is the availability of funds to meet increased loan demand and/or excessive deposit withdrawals. Management has implemented a financial structure that provides ready access to sufficient liquid funds to meet normal transaction requirements, take advantage of investment opportunities and cover unforeseen liquidity demands. In addition to core deposit growth, sources of funds available to meet liquidity demands for the subsidiary banks include federal funds sold, near-term loan maturities, securities held in the available-for-sale portfolio, and the ability to purchase federal funds through established lines of credit with correspondent banks. Additionally, the parent company maintains a \(\$ 25.0\) million revolving line of credit. As of March 31, 1997, there was \(\$ 14.5\) million outstanding under this facility. On July 1, 1996, the Company borrowed \(\$ 15.0\) million to fund the acquisition of First Financial Bancorp. During the first quarter of 1997, principal reductions on the line of credit totaled \(\$ 500,000\).

The Company's equity capital was \(\$ 91.7\) million as of March 31, 1997 compared to \(\$ 89.5\) million as of December 31, 1996. Management continues to monitor its capital position in relation to its level of assets with the objective of maintaining a strong capital position. The leverage ratio was \(8.36 \%\) at March 31,1997 compared to \(7.87 \%\) at December 31, 1996. Further, the Company's risk-adjusted capital ratio of \(13.73 \%\) at March 31 , 1997, significantly exceeds the \(8.0 \%\) minimum requirement under the risk-based regulatory guidelines.

State and federal regulations as well as the Company's long-term debt agreements place certain restrictions on the payment of dividends by both the Company and its Group banks. At March 31, 1997, these regulations and covenants did not impair the Company's (or its Group banks') ability to declare and pay dividends or to meet other existing obligations in the normal course of business.

During the first three months of 1997, shareholders' equity increased \(\$ 2.2\) million, or \(9.9 \%\), on an annualized basis. Growth in equity during the first quarter was adversely impacted by a reduction of \(\$ 471,000\) in the Company's net unrealized gain on available-for-sale securities, which declined from an \(\$ 82,000\) gain at December 31, 1996 to a \(\$ 389,000\) loss at March 31, 1997. The loss in value reflects the rise in interest rates which occurred primarily during March 1997. Additionally, shareholders' equity reflects the declaration and payment of dividends totaling \(\$ 869,000\) ( \(\$ .15\) per share) during the first quarter.

At March 31, 1997, the Company's common stock had a book value of \(\$ 15.83\) per share compared to \(\$ 15.49\) at December 31, 1996. Pursuant to the Company's stock repurchase program adopted in 1989, the Company has repurchased 527,160 shares (split adjusted) of its common stock. No shares have been repurchased in 1997. During the first quarter, the Company issued 17,540 shares under its performance incentive and stock purchase plans.

\section*{IMPACT OF ACCOUNTING STANDARDS}

Effective January 1, 1997, Capital City Bank Group adopted SFAS No. 125, "Accounting for Transfers and Servicing of Financial Assets and Extinguishments of Liabilities." This Statement establishes new rules for determining whether a transfer of financial assets constitutes a sale and, if so, the determination of any resulting gain or loss. This Statement requires that an enterprise recognize only assets it controls and liabilities it has incurred, to remove assets only when control has been surrendered, and to remove liabilities only when they have been extinguished.

In February 1997, the Financial Accounting Standards Board issued SFAS No. 128, "Earnings per Share" which, when adopted, will replace the current methodology for calculating and presenting earnings per share. The Statement will be effective for the Company's December 31, 1997 financial statements.

Neither statement has a material impact on the Company's financial condition or results of operations.
<TABLE>

TABLE I
AVERAGES BALANCES \& INTEREST RATES
(Taxable Equivalent Basis - Dollars in Thousands)
<CAPTION>
For Three Months Ended March 31, 1997
\begin{tabular}{|c|c|c|c|}
\hline \multirow[t]{2}{*}{} & Average & & Average \\
\hline & Balance & Interest & Rate \\
\hline \multicolumn{4}{|l|}{ASSETS} \\
\hline <S> & <C> & <C> & <C> \\
\hline Loans, Net of Unearned Interest & \$678,730 & \$15,438 & 9.22\% \\
\hline Taxable Investment Securities & 124,657 & 1,940 & 6.30\% \\
\hline Tax-Exempt Investment Securities & 72,250 & 1,219 & \(6.75 \%\) \\
\hline Funds Sold & 20,493 & 259 & 5.11\% \\
\hline Total Earning Assets & 896,130 & 18,856 & 8.53\% \\
\hline Cash \& Due From Banks & 50,180 & & \\
\hline Allowance for Loan Losses & \((8,275)\) & & \\
\hline Other Assets & 61,802 & & \\
\hline TOTAL ASSETS & \$999,837 & & \\
\hline \multicolumn{4}{|l|}{LIABILITIES} \\
\hline NOW Accounts & \$110,072 & 506 & 1.86\% \\
\hline Money Market Accounts & 79,882 & 579 & 2.94\% \\
\hline Savings Accounts & 91,236 & 451 & \(2.00 \%\) \\
\hline Other Time Deposits & 379,585 & 4,826 & 5.16\% \\
\hline Total Interest Bearing Deposits & 660,775 & 6,362 & 3.90\% \\
\hline Funds Purchased & 31,779 & 373 & \(4.76 \%\) \\
\hline Other Short-Term Borrowings & 6,281 & 37 & 2.36\% \\
\hline Long-Term Debt & 18,031 & 304 & 6.84\% \\
\hline Total Int. Bearing Liabilities & 716,866 & 7,076 & 4.00\% \\
\hline Noninterest Bearing Deposits & 179,184 & & \\
\hline Other Liabilities & 13,166 & & \\
\hline TOTAL LIABILITIES & 909,216 & & \\
\hline
\end{tabular}

SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY
\begin{tabular}{lr} 
Common Stock & 58 \\
Surplus & 5,301 \\
Retained Earnings & 85,262 \\
TOTAL SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY & 90,621 \\
TOTAL LIABILITIES \& EQUITY & \(\$ 999,837\)
\end{tabular}
Net Interest Rate Spread
Net Interest Income
Net Interest Margin
<CAPTION>
For Three Months Ended March 31, 1996
\begin{tabular}{llrr} 
Average & & \begin{tabular}{c} 
Average \\
Balance
\end{tabular} & Interest
\end{tabular} \begin{tabular}{c} 
Rate
\end{tabular}

SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY
\begin{tabular}{lr} 
Common Stock & 62 \\
Surplus & 5,842 \\
Retained Earnings & 76,099 \\
\multicolumn{1}{c|}{ TOTAL SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY } & 82,003
\end{tabular}
\begin{tabular}{lll} 
Net Interest Rate Spread & \(4.50 \%\) \\
Net Interest Income & \(\$ 9,528\) & \\
Net Interest Margin & \(5.43 \%\)
\end{tabular}

Net Interest Margin \(5.43 \%\)
</TABLE>
(1) Average balances include nonaccrual loans. Interest income includes fees on loans of approximately \(\$ 705,000\) and \(\$ 476,000\), for the three months ended March 31, 1997 and 1996, respectively.
(2) Interest income includes the effects of taxable equivalent adjustments using a 35\% tax rate.

PART II. OTHER INFORMATION

Items 1-5.
Not applicable
Item 6. Exhibits and Reports on Form 8-K
(A) Exhibits

Not applicable
(B) Reports on Form 8-K

The Company did not file any reports on Form 8-K during the period ended March 31, 1997.

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the Registrant has duly caused this Report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned Chief Financial Officer hereunto duly authorized.

CAPITAL CITY BANK GROUP, INC.
(Registrant)
J. Kimbrough Davis

Senior Vice President and
Chief Financial Officer
Date: May 13, 1996
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