

UNITED STATES
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

FORM 10-K

ANNUAL REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF
THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934
For the fiscal year ended December 31, 2000

TRANSITION REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d)
OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934
Commission file number 0-15950

FIRST BUSEY CORPORATION
(Exact name of registrant as specified in its Charter)

Nevada	37-1078406
----- (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation of organization)	----- (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

201 West Main Street Urbana, Illinois	61801
----- (Address of principal executive offices)	----- (Zip Code)

(217) 365-4513

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Act:
None

Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(g) of the Act:
Class A Common Stock, without par value

Indicate by check mark whether the Registrant (1) has filed all reports
required to be filed by Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of
1934 during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the
Registrant was required to file such reports) and (2) has been subject to such
filing requirements for the past 90 days.
Yes No
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Indicate by check mark if disclosure of delinquent filers pursuant to Item
405 Regulation S-K is not contained herein, and will not be contained to the
best of Registrant's knowledge, in definitive proxy or information statements
incorporated by reference in Part III of this Form 10-K or any amendment to this
Form 10-K.

As of March 2, 2001, the aggregate market value of the Common Stock held by
non-affiliates was \$144,451,394. The market value of the Common Stock is based
on the closing price for such stock as reported on the Nasdaq National Market
on that date. Affiliates include all directors, executive officers and
beneficial holders owning 5% or more of the shares.

Indicate the number of shares outstanding of each of the Registrant's
classes of common stock, as of the latest practicable date.

Class	Outstanding at March 2, 2001
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Common Stock, without par value	13,565,034

DOCUMENTS INCORPORATED BY REFERENCE

Portions of the definitive Proxy Statement dated March 16, 2001 for First Busey
Corporation's Annual Meeting of Stockholders to be held April 16, 2001, (the
"2001 Proxy Statement") are incorporated by reference into Part III.

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PART IV

ITEM 14. EXHIBITS, FINANCIAL STATEMENT SCHEDULES AND REPORTS ON FORM 8-K

EXHIBITS

Exhibit Number	Description of Exhibit	Sequentially Numbered Page
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3.1	Certificate of Incorporation of First Busey Corporation (filed as Appendix B to First Busey's definitive proxy statement filed with the Commission on April 5, 1993 (Commission File No. 0-15950), and incorporated herein by reference)	

- 3.2 By-Laws of First Busey Corporation (filed as Appendix C to First Busey's definitive proxy statement filed with the Commission on April 5, 1993 (Commission File No. 0-15950), and incorporated herein by reference)
- 10.1 First Busey Corporation 1993 Restricted Stock Award Plan (filed as Appendix E to First Busey's definitive proxy statement filed with the Commission on April 5, 1993 (Commission File No. 0-15950), and incorporated herein by reference)
- 10.3 First Busey Corporation Profit Sharing Plan and Trust (filed as Exhibit 10.3 to First Busey's Registration Statement on Form S-1 (Registration No. 33-13973), and incorporated herein by reference)
- 10.4 Mortgage on County Plaza Building (filed as Exhibit 10.4 to First Busey's Registration Statement on Form S-1 (Registration No. 33-13973), and incorporated herein by reference)
- 10.7 First Busey Corporation Employee Stock Ownership Plan (filed as Exhibit 10.7 to First Busey's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 1988 (Registration No. 2-66201), and incorporated herein by reference)
- 10.8 First Busey Corporation 1988 Stock Option Plan (filed as Exhibit 10.8 to First Busey's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 1988 (Registration No. 2-66201), and incorporated herein by reference)
- 10.9 First Busey Corporation 1999 Stock Option Plan (filed as Appendix B to First Busey's definitive proxy statement filed with the Commission on March 25, 1999 (Commission File No. 0-15950), and incorporated herein by reference)
- 21.1 List of Subsidiaries of First Busey Corporation
- 23.1 Consent of Independent Public Accountants
- 99.1 Form 11-K Annual Report for First Busey Corporation Profit Sharing Plan and Trust (Registration No. 33-30095) for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2000.
- 99.2 Form 11-K Annual Report for First Busey Corporation Employee Stock Ownership Plan (Registration No. 33-60402) for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2000.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT SCHEDULES

Financial statement schedules not included in this Form 10-K have been omitted because they are not applicable for the required information shown in the financial statements or notes thereto.

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REPORTS ON FORM 8-K

No reports on Form 8-K have been filed for or on behalf of First Busey Corporation during the last quarter or the period covered by this Form 10-K.

FORM S-8 UNDERTAKING

For the purposes of complying with the amendments to the rules governing Form S-8 (effective July 13, 1990) under the Securities Act of 1933, the undersigned registrant hereby undertakes as follows, which undertaking shall be incorporated by reference into the registrant's Registration Statement on Form S-8 File No. 33-30095.

Insofar as indemnification for liabilities arising under the Securities Act of 1933 may be permitted to directors, officers and controlling persons of the registrant pursuant to the foregoing provisions, or otherwise, the registrant has been advised that in the opinion of the Securities and Exchange Commission such indemnification is against public policy as expressed in the Securities Act of 1933 and is, therefore, unenforceable. In the event that a claim for indemnification against such liabilities (other than the payment by the registrant of the expenses incurred or paid by a director, officer or controlling person of the registrant in the successful defense of any action, suit or proceeding) is asserted by such director, officer, or controlling person in connection with the securities being registered, the registrant will, unless in the opinion of its counsel the matter has been settled by controlling precedent, submit to a court of appropriate jurisdiction the question whether such indemnification by it is against public policy as expressed in the Act and will be governed by the final adjudication of such issue.

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the Registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized, in the City of Urbana, Illinois on March 16, 2001.

FIRST BUSEY CORPORATION
BY //DOUGLAS C. MILLS//

Douglas C. Mills
Chairman of the Board, President,
Chief Executive Officer

EXHIBIT 99.1

FORM 11 - K

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549

ANNUAL REPORT
Pursuant to Section 15(d) of the
Securities Exchange Act of 1934

For the fiscal year ended December 31, 2000

Commission File No. 0-15950 (First Busey Corporation)
Commission File No. 33-30095 (the Plan)

A. Full title of the plan and the address of the plan, if
different from that of the issuer named below:

FIRST BUSEY CORPORATION PROFIT SHARING PLAN AND TRUST
(the "Plan")

B. Name of issuer of the securities held pursuant to the
plan and the address of its principle executive office:

FIRST BUSEY CORPORATION
201 WEST MAIN STREET
URBANA, ILLINOIS 61801

FIRST BUSEY CORPORATION
PROFIT SHARING PLAN AND TRUST

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

DECEMBER 31, 2000 AND 1999

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Profit Sharing Committee and Participants
FIRST BUSEY CORPORATION PROFIT SHARING PLAN AND TRUST
Urbana, Illinois

We have audited the accompanying statements of net assets available for benefits of FIRST BUSEY CORPORATION PROFIT SHARING PLAN AND TRUST as of December 31, 2000 and 1999, and the related statements of changes in net assets available for benefits for each of the years in the three-year period ended December 31, 2000. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Plan's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audits.

We conducted our audits in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audits provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the net assets available for benefits of FIRST BUSEY CORPORATION PROFIT SHARING PLAN AND TRUST as of December 31, 2000 and 1999, and the changes in net assets available for benefits for each of the years in the three-year period ended December 31, 2000, in conformity with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America.

Our audits were performed for the purpose of forming an opinion on the basic financial statements taken as a whole. The supplementary schedules of assets held for investment purposes, reportable transactions and party in interest transactions are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the basic financial statements but are supplementary information required by the Department of Labor's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974. These supplemental schedules are the responsibility of the Plan's management. The supplemental schedules have been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audits of the basic financial statements and, in our opinion, are fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the basic financial statements taken as a whole.

/s/ McGladrey and Pullen, LLP

Champaign, Illinois
June 22, 2001

FIRST BUSEY CORPORATION PROFIT SHARING PLAN AND TRUST
 STATEMENTS OF NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS
 December 31, 2000 and 1999

	2000	1999

ASSETS		
Investments at fair value:		
Common stock	\$11,573,993	\$14,690,799
Preferred stock	49,500	41,700
Shares of registered investment companies	14,720,920	14,398,224
Corporate bonds, notes and commercial paper	1,844,212	1,561,937
Short-term investments	2,162,605	1,765,269
Notes receivable, participants	338,747	191,500
Taxable municipal bonds	100,078	99,336
U. S. Treasury and federal agency securities	-	80,025
Other	4,624	4,363
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	30,794,679	32,833,153

Receivables:		
Accrued interest and dividends	55,112	26,173
Participants' contributions	38,587	-
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	93,699	26,173

Cash	-	33,315

TOTAL ASSETS	30,888,378	32,892,641

LIABILITIES		
Accounts payable	3,473	-
Cash overdraft	1,048	-
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TOTAL LIABILITIES	4,521	-

NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS	\$30,883,857	\$32,892,641
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See Notes to Financial Statements.

FIRST BUSEY CORPORATION PROFIT SHARING PLAN AND TRUST
 STATEMENTS OF CHANGES IN NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS
 Years Ended December 31, 2000, 1999 and 1998

	2000	1999	1998

Additions to net assets attributed to:			
Investment income:			
Net appreciation (depreciation) in fair value of investments	(\$2,756,679)	\$5,753,286	\$4,480,757
Interest and dividends	609,041	578,091	476,598
	(2,147,638)	6,331,377	4,957,355

Contributions:			
Employers'	494,725	679,750	622,590
Employees'	927,801	783,823	792,785
Employee contribution rollovers	39,113	114,296	427,494
	1,461,639	1,577,869	1,842,869

TOTAL ADDITIONS	(685,999)	7,909,246	6,800,224

Deductions from net assets attributed to:			
Benefits paid to participants	1,141,046	944,297	581,684
Administrative expenses	181,739	182,096	160,641
	1,322,785	1,126,393	742,325

NET (DECREASE) INCREASE	(2,008,784)	6,782,853	6,057,899

Net assets available for benefits:			
Beginning of year	32,892,641	26,109,788	20,051,889

End of year	\$30,883,857	\$32,892,641	\$26,109,788
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See Notes to Financial Statements.

FIRST BUSEY CORPORATION PROFIT SHARING PLAN AND TRUST
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NOTE 1. PLAN DESCRIPTION

The following description of the Plan provides only general information. Participants should refer to the Plan agreement for a more complete description of the Plan's provisions.

General:

First Busey Corporation Profit Sharing Plan and Trust (the Plan) is a multiple-employer profit sharing plan and 401(k) plan. Participating employers are First Busey Corporation and its subsidiaries (the Employers).

The Plan is a profit sharing plan that was amended effective January 1, 1987, to include a 401(k) plan. The Plan covers all full-time employees of the Employers who have completed 1 year of service. It is subject to the provisions of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA).

Contributions:

Each participant is permitted to make voluntary contributions to their profit sharing account up to 10% of the participant's total compensation, subject to certain limits as provided in the plan document and in income tax regulations. Participants may also contribute amounts representing distributions from other qualified plans.

The Employers' contributions to the profit sharing portion of the Plan are determined by the Board of Directors. The Employers also make matching contributions to the 401(k) portion of the Plan equal to a percentage of the first 6% of total compensation that a participant contributes to the Plan. The Employers' matching contribution is dependent upon the earnings per share attained by First Busey Corporation. The Board of Directors approves the level of matching contributions each year.

Participant accounts:

Each participant's profit sharing account is credited with the participant's contributions and an allocation of (a) the Employers' contribution, (b) Plan earnings, (c) forfeitures of terminated participants' non-vested accounts, and (d) administrative expenses. Allocations are based on participant earnings or account balances, as defined. The benefit to which a participant is entitled is the benefit that can be provided from the participant's vested account.

Each participant's 401(k) account is credited with the participant's voluntary contributions and an allocation of (a) the Employers' contribution, (b) Plan earnings, and (c) administrative expenses. The benefit to which a participant is entitled is the benefit that can be provided from the participant's vested account.

Vesting:

Participants in the 401(k) plan are immediately vested in their voluntary contributions, the Company's contribution and the respective Plan earnings on those contributions.

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Participants in the profit sharing plan are immediately vested in their voluntary contributions plus earnings thereon. Vesting in the remainder of their accounts is based on years of continuous service. A participant is 100 percent vested after seven years of credited service.

Investment options:

Upon enrollment in the 401(k) plan, a participant may direct contributions in any of eight investment options as follows:

Balanced Fund - Funds are invested primarily in shares of registered investment companies and corporate bonds.

Equity Growth Fund - Funds are invested in shares of registered investment companies.

FBC Stock Fund - Funds are invested in common stock of First Busey Corporation.

CD Fund - Funds are invested in a certificate of deposit with Busey Bank, a subsidiary of First Busey Corporation.

International Fund - Funds are invested in international equity mutual funds.

S & P 500 Index Fund - Funds are invested in the 500 largest companies domiciled in the United States.

Small Cap Fund - Funds are invested in equity securities of companies with market capitalization.

Intermediate Bond Fund - Funds are invested in a broad range of bonds and other fixed income securities.

Self-Directed Accounts - Funds are invested in any type of investment as chosen by the participant.

Participants may change their investment options quarterly.

Notes receivable, participants:

Participants may borrow from their fund accounts a minimum of \$1,000 up to a maximum equal to the lesser of \$50,000 or 50 percent of their vested account balance. Loan transactions are treated as a transfer to (from) the investment fund from (to) the Participant Notes fund. Loan terms range from 3 years or up to 10 years for the purchase of a primary residence. The loans are secured by the balance in the participant's account and bear interest at the prime rate as set by American National Bank. Interest rates range from 7.5 percent to 8.5 percent and are fixed over the term of the loan. Principal and interest is paid ratably through monthly payroll deductions.

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Payment of benefits:

Upon termination of service, a participant may elect to receive either a lump-sum amount equal to the value of his or her account, or an annuity payable to the participant for his or her life with an annuity payable to the participant's surviving spouse equal to 50% of the participant's annuity. The participant may elect to receive a smaller annuity benefit with continuation of payments to the spouse at a rate of 75% or 100% of the participants' annuity.

NOTE 2. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of accounting:

The financial statements of the Plan are prepared under the accrual method of accounting.

Use of estimates:

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

Investment valuation and income recognition:

The Plan's investments are stated at fair value. Shares of registered investment companies are valued at quoted market prices which represent the net asset value of shares held by the Plan at year-end. Securities traded on any recognized stock exchange are valued at the last reported sales price at the valuation date. Securities not listed on an exchange and securities for which no sale has been reported on that day are valued at the closing bid price, or at fair value as determined by the Trustee. Certificates of deposit and participant and other notes receivable are valued at cost which approximates fair value.

Purchases and sales of securities are recorded on a trade-date basis. Interest income is recorded on the accrual basis. Dividends are recorded on the ex-dividend date.

Payment of benefits:

Benefits are recorded when paid.

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NOTE 3. INVESTMENTS

The following table presents the fair values of investments as of December 31, 2000 and 1999. Investments that represent 5 percent or more of the Plan's net assets as of December 31, 2000 are separately identified.

	2000		1999	
	Number of Shares or Principal Amount	Fair Value	Number of Shares or Principal Amount	Fair Value
Investments at fair value:				
Common and preferred stock:				
First Busey Corporation Common Stock	466,619	\$9,303,216	527,269	\$11,929,461
Other	48,106	2,320,277	56,673	2,803,038
Shares of registered investment companies:				
Northern Instl. Sm. Co. Index A	190,672	2,024,939	-	-
Vanguard Index 500 Trust	31,995	3,898,879	-	-
Federated Max-Cap Fund #39	-	-	138,087	4,138,457
Other	337,335	8,797,102	371,794	10,259,767
Corporate bonds, notes and commercial paper	\$1,855,000	1,844,212	\$1,625,000	1,561,937
Short-term investments	\$2,162,605	2,162,605	\$1,765,269	1,765,269
Notes receivable, participants	\$338,747	338,747	\$191,500	191,500
Taxable municipal bonds	\$100,000	100,078	\$100,000	99,336
U. S. Treasury and Federal Agency Securities	\$0	-	\$80,000	80,025
Other	4,624	4,624	1	4,363
		\$30,794,679		\$32,833,153
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During the years ended December 31, 2000, 1999 and 1998 the Plan's investments (including investments bought, sold and held during the year) (depreciated) appreciated in value by \$(2,756,679), \$5,753,286 and \$4,480,757 respectively, as follows:

	2000	1999	1998
Investments at fair value:			
Common stocks	(\$1,434,264)	\$2,764,993	\$3,030,470
Preferred stock	7,800	5,575	6,125
Shares of registered investment companies	(1,381,626)	3,078,052	1,426,388
Corporate bonds, notes and commercial paper	50,433	(91,665)	15,970
Taxable municipal bonds	742	(2,694)	1,392
Other	262	-	-
U. S. Treasury and federal agency securities	(26)	(975)	412
	(\$2,756,679)	\$5,753,286	\$4,480,757
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NOTE 4. PARTY IN INTEREST TRANSACTIONS

Parties in interest include fiduciaries or employees of the plan, any person who provides services to the plan, an employer whose employees are covered by the plan, an employee organization whose members are covered by the plan, a person who owns 50 percent or more of such an employer or employee association, or relatives of such persons just listed.

Fees paid to First Busey Trust & Investment Co., the Plan's trustee, for investment management services amounted to \$137,447, \$142,939 and \$116,206 for the three years ended December 31, 2000, 1999 and 1998, respectively.

The Plan invests in certificates of deposit with Busey Bank, a subsidiary of First Busey Corporation. Purchases and maturities of certificates of deposit from Busey Bank also qualify as party in interest transactions.

NOTE 5. INCOME TAX STATUS

The Internal Revenue Service has determined and informed First Busey Corporation by a letter dated May 25, 1995, that the Plan and related trust are designed in accordance with applicable sections of the Internal Revenue Code. The Plan has been amended since receiving the determination letter. However, the Plan administrator believes that the Plan is designed and is currently being operated in compliance with the applicable requirements of the IRC.

NOTE 6. PLAN TERMINATION

In the event of the termination of the Plan, or upon the complete discontinuance of contributions, the Plan shall be used to provide benefits under the Plan for participants and their beneficiaries in the order of decreasing priority as described in the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974. In the event of Plan termination, participants will become 100 percent vested in their accounts.

Presently, there is no intention on the part of the Employers to terminate the Plan or to discontinue contributions to the Plan.

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NOTE 7. STATEMENTS OF NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS, BY FUND

December 31, 2000
 Participant Directed Profit Sharing & 401(k)

	Balanced Fund	Equity Growth Fund	FBC Stock Fund	CD Fund	Loan Account
ASSETS					
Investments at fair value:					
Common stock	\$2,270,777	\$-	\$9,303,216	\$-	\$-
Preferred stock	49,500	-	-	-	-
Shares of registered investment companies	441,829	6,000,506	-	-	-
Corporate bonds, notes and commercial paper	1,844,212	-	-	-	-
Short-term investments	101,252	51,298	6,730	1,502,147	-
Notes receivable, participants	-	-	-	-	338,747
Taxable municipal bonds	100,078	-	-	-	-
U.S. Treasury and federal agency securities	-	-	-	-	-
Other	-	-	-	-	-
	4,807,648	6,051,804	9,309,946	1,502,147	338,747
Receivables:					
Interfund (payable)/receivable	(6,492)	(795)	9,099	359	-
Accrued interest and dividends	28,732	266	69	22,281	-
Employer contribution	51,291	121,977	129,076	18,652	-
Participants' contribution	3,371	10,910	11,393	1,238	-
	76,902	132,358	149,637	42,530	-
TOTAL ASSETS	4,884,550	6,184,162	9,459,583	1,544,677	338,747
LIABILITIES					
Accounts payable	-	71	17	-	-
Cash overdraft	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL LIABILITIES	-	71	17	-	-
NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS	\$4,884,550	\$6,184,091	\$9,459,566	\$1,544,677	\$338,747

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December 31, 2000							
Participant Directed Profit Sharing & 401(k)							
International Fund	S&P 500 Index Fund	Small Cap	Intermediate Bond Fund	Self- Directed Accounts	Holding Account	Total	
ASSETS							
Investments at fair value:							
Common stock	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$11,573,993
Preferred stock	-	-	-	-	-	-	49,500
Shares of registered investment companies	2,040,267	3,898,879	2,024,939	314,500	-	-	14,720,920
Corporate bonds, notes and commercial paper	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,844,212
Short-term investments	655	12,739	-	-	-	487,784	2,162,605
Notes receivable, participants	-	-	-	-	-	-	338,747
Taxable municipal bonds	-	-	-	-	-	-	100,078
U.S. Treasury and federal agency securities	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other	-	-	-	-	4,624	-	4,624
	2,040,922	3,911,618	2,024,939	314,500	4,624	487,784	30,794,679
Receivables:							
Interfund (payable)/receivable	166	42	719	150	-	(3,248)	-
Accrued interest and dividends	159	72	341	3	-	3,189	55,112
Employer contribution	44,885	74,546	38,719	5,579	-	(484,725)	-
Participants' contribution	3,345	5,037	2,845	448	-	-	38,587
	48,555	79,697	42,624	6,180	-	(484,784)	93,699
TOTAL ASSETS	2,089,477	3,991,315	2,067,563	320,680	4,624	3,000	30,888,378
LIABILITIES							
Accounts payable	45	340	-	-	-	3,000	3,473
Cash overdraft	-	-	540	508	-	-	1,048
TOTAL LIABILITIES	45	340	540	508	-	3,000	4,521
NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS	\$2,089,432	\$3,990,975	\$2,067,023	\$320,172	\$4,624	\$-	\$30,883,857

FIRST BUSEY CORPORATION PROFIT SHARING PLAN AND TRUST
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NOTE 7. STATEMENTS OF NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS, BY FUND (CONTINUED)

December 31, 1999
 Participant Directed Profit Sharing & 401(k)

	Balanced Fund	Equity Growth Fund	FBC Stock Fund	CD Fund	Loan Account
ASSETS					
Investments at fair value:					
Common stock	\$2,585,228	\$-	\$11,920,411	\$-	\$0
Preferred stock	41,700	-	-	-	-
Shares of registered investment companies	522,524	6,042,343	-	-	-
Corporate bonds, notes and commercial paper	1,546,537	-	-	-	-
Short-term investments	169,776	154,006	322,129	881,640	-
Notes receivable, participants	-	-	-	-	191,500
Taxable municipal bonds	99,336	-	-	-	-
U.S. Treasury and federal agency securities	80,025	-	-	-	-
Other	-	-	-	-	-
	5,045,126	6,196,349	12,242,540	881,640	191,500
Receivables:					
Interfund (payable)/receivable	3,376	(2,290)	1,937	2,426	-
Accrued interest and dividends	23,370	477	419	6	-
	26,746	(1,813)	2,356	2,432	-
Cash					
	4,545	6,704	12,888	646	-
TOTAL ASSETS	5,076,417	6,201,240	12,257,784	884,718	191,500
LIABILITIES					
TOTAL LIABILITIES	-	-	-	-	-
NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS	\$5,076,417	\$6,201,240	\$12,257,784	\$884,718	\$191,500

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 NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

December 31, 1999								
Participant Directed Profit Sharing & 401(k)								
International Fund	S&P 500 Index Fund	Financial Institution Fund	Small Cap	Intermediate Bond Fund	Self- Directed Accounts	Holding Account	Total	
ASSETS								
Investments at fair value:								
Common stock	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$185,160	\$-	\$14,690,799
Preferred stock	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	41,700
Shares of registered investment companies	2,478,332	4,138,457	-	943,251	273,317	-	-	14,398,224
Corporate bonds, notes and commercial paper	-	-	-	-	-	15,400	-	1,561,937
Short-term investments	89,498	106,264	-	22,943	8,275	8,863	1,875	1,765,269
Notes receivable, participants	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	191,500
Taxable municipal bonds	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	99,336
U.S. Treasury and federal agency securities	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	80,025
Other	-	-	-	-	-	4,363	-	4,363
	2,567,830	4,244,721	-	966,194	281,592	213,786	1,875	32,833,153
Receivables:								
Interfund (payable)/receivable	(104)	215	(330)	(696)	(913)	-	(3,621)	-
Accrued interest and dividends	62	48	-	63	12	40	1,676	26,173
	(42)	263	(330)	(633)	(901)	40	(1,945)	26,173
Cash	2,028	4,867	330	972	265	-	70	33,315
TOTAL ASSETS	2,569,816	4,249,851	-	966,533	280,956	213,826	-	32,892,641
LIABILITIES								
TOTAL LIABILITIES	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS	\$2,569,816	\$4,249,851	\$-	\$966,533	\$280,956	\$213,826	\$-	\$32,892,641

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NOTE 8. STATEMENTS OF CHANGES IN NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS, BY FUND

	Year Ended December 31, 2000 Participant Directed Profit Sharing & 401(k)				
	Balanced Fund	Equity Growth Fund	FBC Stock Fund	CD Fund	Loan Account
Additions to net assets attributed to:					
Investment income:					
Net appreciation (depreciation) in fair value of investments	\$1,524	(\$319,100)	(\$1,402,327)	\$-	\$-
Interest and dividends	141,797	38,162	232,824	82,254	23,610
	143,321	(280,938)	(1,169,503)	82,254	23,610
Contributions:					
Employers	51,291	121,977	139,076	18,652	-
Employees	81,266	226,795	277,704	33,265	-
Employee contributions representing transfers from another qualified retirement trust	1,722	8,624	17,542	910	-
	134,279	357,396	434,322	52,827	-
TOTAL ADDITIONS	277,600	76,458	(735,181)	135,081	23,610
Deductions from net assets attributed to:					
Benefits paid to participants	98,264	200,104	354,722	61,623	1,092
Administrative expenses	30,244	37,713	53,704	7,546	-
TOTAL DEDUCTIONS	128,508	237,817	408,426	69,169	1,092
Net participants' transfers between funds	(338,296)	144,510	(1,656,462)	593,891	124,729
Net forfeitures	(2,663)	(300)	1,851	156	-
	(340,959)	144,210	(1,654,611)	594,047	124,729
NET INCREASE (DECREASE)	(191,867)	(17,149)	(2,798,218)	659,959	147,247
Net assets available for benefits:					
Beginning of year	5,076,417	6,201,240	12,257,784	884,718	191,500
End of year	\$4,884,550	\$6,184,091	\$9,459,566	\$1,544,677	\$338,747

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Year Ended December 31, 2000							
Participant Directed Profit Sharing & 401(k)							
International Fund	S&P 500 Index Fund	Small Cap	Intermediate Bond Fund	Self- Directed Accounts	Holding Account	Total	
Additions to net assets attributed to:							
Investment income:							
Net appreciation (depreciation) in fair value of investments	(\$514,482)	(\$385,383)	(\$124,891)	\$4,764	(\$16,784)	\$-	(\$2,756,679)
Interest and dividends	7,935	39,722	23,597	14,182	4,958	-	609,041
	(506,547)	(345,661)	(101,294)	18,946	(11,826)	-	(2,147,638)
Contributions:							
Employers	44,884	74,546	38,719	5,580	-	-	494,725
Employees	89,209	142,423	68,226	8,913	-	-	927,801
Employee contributions representing transfers from another qualified retirement trust	6,694	2,435	1,186	-	-	-	39,113
	140,787	219,404	108,131	14,493	-	-	1,461,639
TOTAL ADDITIONS	(365,760)	(126,257)	6,837	33,439	(11,826)	-	(685,999)
Deductions from net assets attributed to:							
Benefits paid to participants	128,774	141,286	94,245	1,546	59,390	-	1,141,046
Administrative expenses	15,900	23,783	11,264	1,132	453	-	181,739
TOTAL DEDUCTIONS	144,674	165,069	105,509	2,678	59,843	-	1,322,785
Net participants' transfers between funds	30,192	31,761	1,198,686	8,522	(137,533)	-	-
Net forfeitures	(142)	689	476	(67)	-	-	-
	30,050	32,450	1,199,162	8,455	(137,533)	-	-
NET INCREASE (DECREASE)	(480,384)	(258,876)	1,100,490	39,216	(209,202)	-	(2,008,784)
Net assets available for benefits:							
Beginning of year	2,569,816	4,249,851	966,533	280,956	213,826	-	32,892,641
End of year	\$2,089,432	\$3,990,975	\$2,067,023	\$320,172	\$4,624	\$-	\$30,883,857

FIRST BUSEY CORPORATION PROFIT SHARING PLAN AND TRUST
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NOTE 8. STATEMENTS OF CHANGES IN NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS, BY FUND (CONTINUED)

	Year Ended December 31, 1999 Participant Directed Profit Sharing & 401(k)				
	Balanced Fund	Equity Growth Fund	FBC Stock Fund	CD Fund	Loan Account
Additions to net assets attributed to:					
Investment income:					
Net appreciation (depreciation) in fair value of investments	\$439,360	\$1,411,789	\$2,427,896	\$-	\$-
Interest and dividends	157,697	29,468	243,848	44,934	16,379
	597,057	1,441,257	2,671,744	44,934	16,379
Contributions:					
Employers	78,593	134,569	269,383	18,769	-
Employees	92,408	154,488	319,627	22,820	-
Employee contributions representing transfers from another qualified retirement trust	1,439	3,781	103,689	-	-
	172,440	292,838	692,699	41,589	-
TOTAL ADDITIONS	769,497	1,734,095	3,364,443	86,523	16,379
Deductions from net assets attributed to:					
Benefits paid to participants	190,859	92,656	397,082	186,179	12,135
Administrative expenses	32,047	29,516	73,724	5,580	-
TOTAL DEDUCTIONS	222,906	122,172	470,806	191,759	12,135
Net participants' transfers between funds	(674,544)	9,323	(870,507)	251,723	15,342
Net forfeitures	(7,760)	1,713	2,839	546	-
	(682,304)	11,036	(867,668)	252,269	15,342
NET INCREASE (DECREASE)	(135,713)	1,622,959	2,025,969	147,033	19,586
Net assets available for benefits:					
Beginning of year	5,212,130	4,578,281	10,231,815	737,685	171,914
End of year	\$5,076,417	\$6,201,240	\$12,257,784	\$884,718	\$191,500

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Year Ended December 31, 1999								
Participant Directed Profit Sharing & 401(k)								
International Fund	S&P 500 Index Fund	Financial Institution Fund	Small Cap	Intermediate Bond Fund	Self-Directed Accounts	Holding Account	Total	
Additions to net assets attributed to:								
Investment income:								
Net appreciation (depreciation) in fair value of investments	\$712,229	\$676,640	(\$28,323)	\$128,321	(\$3,683)	(\$10,943)	\$-	\$5,753,286
Interest and dividends	10,652	44,288	13,377	8,539	4,597	4,312	-	578,091
	722,881	720,928	(14,946)	136,860	914	(6,631)	-	6,331,377
Contributions:								
Employers	45,817	104,020	-	21,608	6,991	-	-	679,750
Employees	46,111	126,349	12,455	7,078	2,487	-	-	783,823
Employee contributions representing transfers from another qualified retirement trust	443	1,914	-	1,310	1,720	-	-	114,296
	92,371	232,283	12,455	29,996	11,198	-	-	1,577,869
TOTAL ADDITIONS	815,252	953,211	(2,491)	166,856	12,112	(6,631)	-	7,909,246
Deductions from net assets attributed to:								
Benefits paid to participants	17,538	42,071	5,777	-	-	-	-	944,297
Administrative expenses	9,948	24,841	4,646	843	273	678	-	182,096
TOTAL DEDUCTIONS	27,486	66,912	10,423	843	273	678	-	1,126,393
Net participants' transfers between funds	752,287	706,140	(1,258,502)	799,835	268,903	-	-	-
Net forfeitures	767	996	-	685	214	-	-	-
	753,054	707,136	(1,258,502)	800,520	269,117	-	-	-
NET INCREASE (DECREASE)	1,540,820	1,593,435	(1,271,416)	966,533	280,956	(7,309)	-	6,782,853
Net assets available for benefits:								
Beginning of year	1,028,996	2,656,416	1,271,416	-	-	221,135	-	26,109,788
End of year	\$2,569,816	\$4,249,851	\$0	\$966,533	\$280,956	\$213,826	\$-	\$32,892,641

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NOTE 8. STATEMENTS OF CHANGES IN NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS, BY FUND (CONTINUED)

	Year Ended December 31, 1998 Participant Directed Profit Sharing & 401(k)				
	Balanced Fund	Equity Growth Fund	FBC Stock Fund	CD Fund	Loan Account
Additions to net assets attributed to:					
Investment income:					
Net appreciation (depreciation) in fair value of investments	\$729,132	\$670,819	\$2,557,305	\$-	\$-
Interest and dividends	109,324	26,536	230,545	27,812	18,507
	838,456	697,355	2,787,850	27,812	18,507
Contributions:					
Employers	92,844	144,884	252,088	13,378	-
Employees	103,199	208,823	324,391	12,109	-
Employee contributions representing transfers from another qualified retirement trust	130,807	133,738	55,217	-	-
	326,850	487,445	631,696	25,487	-
TOTAL ADDITIONS	1,165,306	1,184,800	3,419,546	53,299	18,507
Deductions from net assets attributed to:					
Benefits paid to participants	163,555	119,693	230,980	2,427	1,695
Administrative expenses	30,768	28,998	65,974	3,098	-
TOTAL DEDUCTIONS	194,323	148,691	296,954	5,525	1,695
Net participants' transfers between funds	75,417	(168,219)	(497,238)	345,144	(54,628)
Net forfeitures	(6,073)	2,038	2,690	336	-
	69,344	(166,181)	(494,548)	345,480	(54,628)
NET INCREASE (DECREASE)	1,040,327	869,928	2,628,044	393,254	(37,816)
Net assets available for benefits:					
Beginning of year	4,171,803	3,708,353	7,603,771	344,431	209,730
End of year	\$5,212,130	\$4,578,281	\$10,231,815	\$737,685	\$171,914

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Year Ended December 31, 1998
 Participant Directed Profit Sharing & 401(k)

	International Fund	S&P 500 Index Fund	Financial Institution Fund	Self- Directed Accounts	Holding Account	Total

Additions to net assets attributed to:						
Investment income:						
Net appreciation (depreciation) in fair value of investments	\$170,758	\$486,008	(\$106,145)	(\$27,120)	\$-	\$4,480,757
Interest and dividends	7,839	23,016	29,317	3,677	25	476,598
	178,597	509,024	(76,828)	(23,443)	25	4,957,355

Contributions:						
Employers	28,777	56,228	34,391	-	-	622,590
Employees	33,953	61,818	48,492	-	-	792,785
Employee contributions representing transfers from another qualified retirement trust	6,476	64,279	33,101	3,876	-	427,494
	69,206	182,325	115,984	3,876	-	1,842,869

TOTAL ADDITIONS	247,803	691,349	39,156	(19,567)	25	6,800,224

Deductions from net assets attributed to:						
Benefits paid to participants	37,960	19,945	5,429	-	-	581,684
Administrative expenses	6,110	11,458	13,538	697	-	160,641
	44,070	31,403	18,967	697	-	742,325

Net participants' transfers between funds	(271,455)	374,516	199,407	-	(2,944)	-
Net forfeitures	251	655	103	-	-	-
	(271,204)	375,171	199,510	-	(2,944)	-

NET INCREASE (DECREASE)	(67,471)	1,035,117	219,699	(20,264)	(2,919)	6,057,899

Net assets available for benefits:						
Beginning of year	1,096,467	1,621,299	1,051,717	241,399	2,919	20,051,889

End of year	\$1,028,996	\$2,656,416	\$1,271,416	\$221,135	\$-	\$26,109,788
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FIRST BUSEY CORPORATION PROFIT SHARING PLAN AND TRUST
 SCHEDULE OF ASSETS HELD FOR INVESTMENT PURPOSES AT END OF YEAR
 DECEMBER 31, 2000

Description	Number of Shares or Principal Amount	Cost	Current Value
COMMON STOCKS			
Abbott Laboratories	1,068	\$33,827	\$51,731
American International Group	1,503	54,438	148,139
Bristol Myers Squibb Co.	1,360	59,275	100,555
Cisco Systems, Inc.	1,440	13,683	55,080
Disney (Walt) Co.	1,896	52,836	54,866
Du Pont (E.I.) De Nemours & Co.	868	49,751	41,935
Emerson Electric Co.	960	52,476	75,660
Exxon Mobil Corp.	1,177	65,191	102,325
Federal National Mortgage Association	672	33,939	58,296
* First Busey Corporation	466,619	6,398,212	9,303,216
First Data Corp.	1,850	53,373	97,472
Fleet Boston Financial Corp.	1,047	37,055	39,328
General Electric Co.	2,496	55,484	119,652
Gillette Co.	1,328	60,195	47,974
Home Depot Inc.	2,148	39,995	98,137
Intel Corp.	1,808	34,006	54,353
Kohl's Corp.	3,424	56,663	208,864
May Department Stores Co.	1,440	52,476	47,160
McDonald's Corp.	2,092	48,735	71,128
Microsoft Corporation	1,560	52,059	67,665
Motorola, Inc.	1,290	39,307	26,123
National City Corp.	1,724	51,507	49,565
Pepsico	1,474	53,949	73,055
Procter & Gamble	684	46,941	53,651
Royal Dutch Petroleum 1.25 Guilder Shares	960	51,516	58,140
Schering-Plough Corp.	800	23,906	45,400
Solectron Corp.	859	35,082	29,120
Staples, Inc.	2,565	52,003	30,299
State Street Corp.	1,053	59,398	130,793
Sun Microsystems, Inc.	2,160	26,633	60,210
Wal-Mart Stores, Inc.	1,600	52,880	85,000
Wells Fargo & Co. New	1,600	52,111	89,101
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TOTAL COMMON STOCKS		\$7,848,902	\$11,573,993
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* Represents party-in-interest transaction.

FIRST BUSEY CORPORATION PROFIT SHARING PLAN AND TRUST
SCHEDULE OF ASSETS HELD FOR INVESTMENT PURPOSES AT END OF YEAR, CONTINUED
DECEMBER 31, 2000

Description	Number of Shares or Principal Amount	Cost	Current Value

PREFERRED STOCKS			
CNB CAP TR I GTD CONV. PFD	1,200	\$30,000	\$49,500
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TOTAL PREFERRED STOCKS		\$30,000	\$49,500
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SHARES OF REGISTERED INVESTMENT COMPANIES			
Fidelity Advisor Equity Growth Class I	1,068	\$39,026	\$65,279
Fidelity Advisor Equity Growth Class I	17,175	982,839	1,050,281
Fidelity Advisor Small Cap - Class I	4,444	50,000	84,133
Invesco Dynamics	3,540	58,200	84,149
Invesco Dynamics	47,052	802,643	1,118,433
Janus Fund	1,817	41,633	60,496
Janus Fund	29,462	923,157	980,798
MFS Capital Opportunities Fund - CL I	2,886	55,500	51,719
MFS Capital Opportunities Fund - CL I	54,511	1,064,729	976,831
Mutual Shares Fund - Class Z	2,865	50,591	56,698
Mutual Shares Fund - Class Z	53,236	1,132,895	1,053,539
Nicholas Fund, Inc.	640	38,272	39,355
Nicholas Fund, Inc.	13,354	1,083,644	820,625
Northern Institutional Intermediate Bond A	16,372	310,135	314,500
Northern Institutional Small Company Index A	190,672	2,386,087	2,024,939
Scudder International Fund - Class S	20,935	1,194,371	1,053,251
T. Rowe Price International Stock Fund	67,976	1,123,025	987,015
Vanguard Index 500 Trust	31,995	4,069,240	3,898,879
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TOTAL SHARES OF REGISTERED INVESTMENT COMPANIES		\$15,405,987	\$14,720,920
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CORPORATE BONDS, NOTES AND COMMERCIAL PAPER			
COMMERCIAL PAPER			
Abbey Natl PLC Medium Term, 6.690% due October 17, 2005	\$50,000	\$49,292	\$50,478
American General Corp., 6.250%, due March 15, 2003	100,000	95,916	99,974
Associates Corp. NA, 6.000%, due December 1, 2002	50,000	51,011	49,865
AT&T Corp., 7.750%, due March 1, 2007	200,000	204,416	202,148
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CORPORATE BONDS, NOTES AND COMMERCIAL PAPER SUBTOTAL		400,635	402,465
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FIRST BUSEY CORPORATION PROFIT SHARING PLAN AND TRUST
SCHEDULE OF ASSETS HELD FOR INVESTMENT PURPOSES AT END OF YEAR, CONTINUED
DECEMBER 31, 2000

Description	Number of Shares or Principal Amount	Cost	Current Value

CORPORATE BONDS, NOTES AND COMMERCIAL PAPER BROUGHT FORWARD		\$400,635	\$402,465
Bank One Corp. Note, 6.875%, due August 1, 2006	50,000	48,638	49,947
Bank One Corp. Global Notes, 6.400%, due August 1, 2002	50,000	49,262	50,099
Bear Stearns Co., Inc., 6.700%, due August 1, 2003	100,000	101,164	100,087
Bears Stearns Co., Inc., 6.125%, due February 1, 2003	100,000	100,509	99,020
Chemical Bank, 6.625%, due August 15, 2005	50,000	51,271	50,532
CIT Group Holdings, Inc., 5.625%, due February 2, 2001	25,000	23,742	24,980
Citicorp, 6.375%, due January 15, 2006	100,000	103,606	99,031
Commercial Cr. Group Inc., 5.875%, due January 15, 2003	50,000	48,276	49,761
Commercial Cr. Group Inc., 6.500%, due August 1, 2004	50,000	49,197	50,166
Ford Motor Credit Corp., 6.125%, due January 9, 2006	50,000	50,334	48,230
Goldman Sachs Group Inc., 7.625%, due August 15, 2005	50,000	50,630	52,044
Household Finance Corp., 5.875%, due September 25, 2004	50,000	50,157	48,722
Intervest Bancshares Corp., 8.000%, due July 1, 2008	30,000	23,100	23,100
Loews Corp., 6.750%, due December 15, 2006	150,000	153,088	146,879
Merrill Lynch & Co. Inc., 6.000%, due July 15, 2005	50,000	50,163	48,877
Merrill Lynch & Co. Inc., 6.000%, due November 15, 2004	50,000	50,725	49,469
Merrill Lynch & Co. Inc., 6.550%, due August 1, 2004	100,000	100,706	100,774
Morgan Stanley Dean Witter, 6.875%, due March 1, 2007	50,000	48,857	50,358
NationsBank Corp., 6.125%, due July 15, 2004	50,000	50,670	49,306
NationsBank Corp., 6.375%, due May 15, 2005	100,000	100,868	99,083
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CORPORATE BONDS, NOTES AND COMMERCIAL PAPER BROUGHT FORWARD		1,705,598	1,692,930
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FIRST BUSEY CORPORATION PROFIT SHARING PLAN AND TRUST
 SCHEDULE OF ASSETS HELD FOR INVESTMENT PURPOSES AT END OF YEAR, CONTINUED
 DECEMBER 31, 2000

Description	Number of Shares or Principal Amount	Cost	Current Value

CORPORATE BONDS, NOTES AND COMMERCIAL PAPER BROUGHT FORWARD			
		\$1,705,598	\$1,692,930
Norwest Corp., 6.800%, due May 15, 2002	25,000	24,880	25,248
St. Paul Companies, Inc., 6.170%, due January 15, 2001	50,000	50,485	49,994
St. Paul Companies, Inc., 7.970%, due May 20, 2002	25,000	25,371	25,582
Tele-Communications Inc., 7.250%, due August 1, 2005	50,000	50,781	50,458

TOTAL CORPORATE BONDS, NOTES AND COMMERCIAL PAPER		\$1,857,115	\$1,844,212
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SHORT-TERM INVESTMENTS			
* Certificate of Deposit, Busey Bank, 6.250%, due December 31, 2001	\$1,500,643	\$1,500,643	\$1,500,643
Northern Institutional Government Select Portfolio	6,730	6,730	6,730
Northern Institutional Government Select Portfolio	1,503	1,503	1,503
Northern Institutional Government Select Portfolio	101,252	101,252	101,252
Northern Institutional Government Select Portfolio	487,784	487,784	487,784
Northern Institutional Government Select Portfolio	51,298	51,298	51,298
Northern Institutional Government Select Portfolio	656	656	656
Northern Institutional Government Select Portfolio	12,739	12,739	12,739

TOTAL SHORT-TERM INVESTMENTS		\$2,162,605	\$2,162,605
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NOTES RECEIVABLE, Participants			
Participant, 8.500%, due February 15, 2001	\$119	\$119	\$119
Participant, 8.500%, due February 15, 2001	53	53	53
Participant, 8.500%, due March 15, 2001	98	98	98
Participant, 8.500%, due March 15, 2001	233	233	233
Participant, 8.500%, due June 15, 2001	555	555	555
Participant, 8.250%, due July 15, 2001	2,255	2,255	2,255
Participant, 8.500%, due September 15, 2001	856	856	856

NOTES RECEIVABLE, PARTICIPANTS, SUBTOTAL		4,169	4,169

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* Represents party-in-interest transaction.

FIRST BUSEY CORPORATION PROFIT SHARING PLAN AND TRUST
SCHEDULE OF ASSETS HELD FOR INVESTMENT PURPOSES AT END OF YEAR, CONTINUED
DECEMBER 31, 2000

Description	Number of Shares or Principal Amount	Cost	Current Value

NOTES RECEIVABLE, PARTICIPANT, BROUGHT FORWARD		\$4,169	\$4,169
Participant, 7.500%, due September 15, 2001	937	937	937
Participant, 8.250%, due October 15, 2001	1,272	1,272	1,272
Participant, 8.500%, due January 15, 2002	1,667	1,667	1,667
Participant, 7.750%, due April 15, 2002	752	752	752
Participant, 7.750%, due June 15, 2002	1,253	1,253	1,253
Participant, 7.750%, due June 15, 2002	1,322	1,322	1,322
Participant, 7.750%, due June 15, 2002	1,587	1,587	1,587
Participant, 8.250%, due September 15, 2002	613	613	613
Participant, 8.250%, due October 15, 2002	2,560	2,560	2,560
Participant, 8.250%, due October 15, 2002	640	640	640
Participant, 8.250%, due November 15, 2002	640	640	640
Participant, 8.500%, due December 15, 2002	1,146	1,146	1,146
Participant, 8.500%, due December 15, 2002	2,517	2,517	2,517
Participant, 8.500%, due January 15, 2003	2,523	2,523	2,523
Participant, 8.750%, due February 15, 2003	2,618	2,618	2,618
Participant, 8.500%, due March 15, 2003	3,166	3,166	3,166
Participant, 9.500%, due May 15, 2003	827	827	827
Participant, 9.500%, due June 15, 2003	852	852	852
Participant, 9.500%, due July 15, 2003	3,773	3,773	3,773
Participant, 8.500%, due July 15, 2003	2,872	2,872	2,872
Participant, 9.500%, due August 15, 2003	1,263	1,263	1,263
Participant, 8.500%, due August 15, 2003	6,649	6,649	6,649
Participant, 8.500%, due September 15, 2003	3,611	3,611	3,611
Participant, 9.500%, due September 15, 2003	927	927	927
Participant, 9.500%, due September 15, 2003	2,689	2,689	2,689
Participant, 9.500%, due September 15, 2003	927	927	927
Participant, 8.000%, due October 15, 2003	920	920	920
Participant, 7.750%, due April 15, 2004	13,859	13,859	13,859
Participant, 8.000%, due July 15, 2004	3,925	3,925	3,925
Participant, 8.250%, due September 15, 2004	19,303	19,303	19,303

NOTES RECEIVABLE, PARTICIPANTS, SUBTOTAL		91,779	91,779

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FIRST BUSEY CORPORATION PROFIT SHARING PLAN AND TRUST
 SCHEDULE OF ASSETS HELD FOR INVESTMENT PURPOSES AT END OF YEAR, CONTINUED
 DECEMBER 31, 2000

Description	Number of Shares or Principal Amount	Cost	Current Value

NOTES RECEIVABLE, PARTICIPANT, BROUGHT FORWARD		\$91,779	\$91,779
Participant, 8.500%, due November 15, 2004	8,995	8,995	8,995
Participant, 8.500%, due January 15, 2005	8,469	8,469	8,469
Participant, 8.750%, due March 15, 2005	9,322	8,322	8,322
Participant, 9.000%, due March 15, 2005	22,715	22,715	22,715
Participant, 9.000%, due April 15, 2005	7,129	7,129	7,129
Participant, 9.000%, due May 15, 2005	18,102	18,102	18,102
Participant, 9.500%, due May 15, 2005	12,913	12,913	12,913
Participant, 9.500%, due July 15, 2005	23,338	23,338	23,338
Participant, 9.500%, due July 15, 2005	7,935	7,935	7,935
Participant, 9.500%, due August 15, 2005	37,341	37,341	37,341
Participant, 9.500%, due August 15, 2005	37,341	37,341	37,341
Participant, 9.500%, due August 15, 2005	14,774	14,774	14,774
Participant, 9.500%, due November 15, 2005	9,080	9,080	9,080
Participant, 8.500%, due September 15, 2007	16,539	16,539	16,539
Participant, 8.500%, due April 15, 2008	4,016	4,016	4,016
Participant, 8.500%, due July 15, 2008	6,545	6,545	6,545
Participant, 9.500%, due July 15, 2010	3,414	3,414	3,414

TOTAL, NOTES RECEIVABLE, PARTICIPANTS		\$338,747	\$338,747
		=====	
TAXABLE MUNICIPAL BONDS			
Beaver Dam, WI prom nts, 6.300%, due September 1, 2001	\$100,000	\$100,119	\$100,078
		=====	
OTHER			
New England Life Insurance policy		\$4,624	\$4,624
		=====	

FIRST BUSEY CORPORATION PROFIT SHARING PLAN AND TRUST
SCHEDULE OF REPORTABLE TRANSACTIONS
Year Ended December 31, 2000

Identity of Party Involved	Description of Asset	Purchase Price	Selling Price	Lease Rental	Expense Incurred with Transaction	Cost of Asset	Current Value of Asset on Transaction Date	Net Gain or Loss
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There were no reportable transactions for the period. All assets are participant directed.

FIRST BUSEY CORPORATION PROFIT SHARING PLAN AND TRUST
PARTY IN INTEREST TRANSACTIONS
Year Ended December 31, 2000

Description of Transaction	Transaction Amount
Management fees paid to First Busey Trust & Investment Co.	\$137,447
Purchases of Busey Bank certificates of deposit	690,982
Maturities of Busey Bank certificates of deposit	55,500
Purchases of First Busey Corporation common stock	507,320
Sales of First Busey Corporation common stock	1,722,188

CONSENT OF INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANTS

We consent to the incorporation by reference in the Registration Statement on Form S-8 (File No. 33-30095) under the Securities Act of 1933 of First Busey Corporation of our report dated June 22, 2000 on our audits of the financial statements of First Busey Corporation Profit Sharing Plan and Trust as of December 31, 2000 and 1999, and for each of the years in the three year period ended December 31, 2000 and supporting schedules as of December 31, 2000, which is included in the Annual Report on Form 11-K for the year ended December 31, 2000.

/s/ McGladrey and Pullen, LLP

Champaign, Illinois
June 28, 2001

EXHIBIT 99.2

FORM 11 - K

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549

ANNUAL REPORT
Pursuant to Section 15(d) of the
Securities Exchange Act of 1934

For the fiscal year ended December 31, 2000

Commission File No. 0-15950 (First Busey Corporation)
Commission File No. 33-60402 (the Plan)

A. Full title of the plan and the address of the plan, if
different from that of the issuer named below:

FIRST BUSEY CORPORATION EMPLOYEE STOCK OWNERSHIP PLAN
AND TRUST
(the "Plan")

B. Name of issuer of the securities held pursuant to the
plan and the address of its principle executive office:

FIRST BUSEY CORPORATION
201 WEST MAIN STREET
URBANA, ILLINOIS 61801

FIRST BUSEY CORPORATION
EMPLOYEES' STOCK OWNERSHIP PLAN

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

DECEMBER 31, 2000 AND 1999

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Administrative Committee and Participants
FIRST BUSEY CORPORATION EMPLOYEES'
STOCK OWNERSHIP PLAN
Urbana, Illinois

We have audited the accompanying statements of net assets available for benefits of FIRST BUSEY CORPORATION EMPLOYEES' STOCK OWNERSHIP PLAN as of December 31, 2000 and 1999, and the related statements of changes in net assets available for benefits for each of the years in the three-year period ended December 31, 2000. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Plan's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audits.

We conducted our audits in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audits provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the net assets available for benefits of FIRST BUSEY CORPORATION EMPLOYEES' STOCK OWNERSHIP PLAN as of December 31, 2000 and 1999, and the changes in net assets available for benefits for each of the years in the three-year period ended December 31, 2000, in conformity with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America.

Our audits were performed for the purpose of forming an opinion on the basic financial statements taken as a whole. The supplementary schedules of assets held for investment purposes, reportable transactions and party in interest transactions are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the basic financial statements but are supplementary information required by the Department of Labor's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974. The supplemental schedules have been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and, in our opinion, are fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the basic financial statements taken as a whole.

/s/ McGladrey and Pullen, LLP

Champaign, Illinois
June 22, 2001

FIRST BUSEY CORPORATION EMPLOYEES' STOCK OWNERSHIP PLAN
 STATEMENTS OF NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS
 DECEMBER 31, 2000 AND 1999

	2000			1999		
	ALLOCATED	UNALLOCATED	Total	Allocated	Unallocated	Total
ASSETS						
Money market fund	\$4,747	\$-	\$4,747	\$36,684	\$-	\$36,684
Accounts receivable	3,083	-	3,083	107	-	107
Investments in First Busey Corporation common stock, at fair value	16,132,189	2,033,625	18,165,814	18,803,434	2,715,000	21,518,434
TOTAL ASSETS	16,140,019	2,033,625	18,173,644	18,840,225	2,715,000	21,555,225
LIABILITIES						
Dividends payable	5,420	-	5,420	-	-	-
Notes payable	-	2,283,000	2,283,000	-	2,620,000	2,620,000
TOTAL LIABILITIES	5,420	2,283,000	2,288,420	-	2,620,000	2,620,000
NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR PLAN BENEFITS	\$16,134,599	(\$249,375)	\$15,885,224	\$18,840,225	\$95,000	\$18,935,225

See Notes to Financial Statements.

FIRST BUSEY CORPORATION EMPLOYEES' STOCK OWNERSHIP PLAN
 STATEMENTS OF CHANGES IN NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS
 YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2000, 1999 AND 1998

	2000		
	Allocated	Unallocated	Total
Investment income:			
Net change in unrealized appreciation in fair value of investments	(\$2,126,183)	(\$322,500)	(\$2,448,683)
Interest	2,415	-	2,415
Dividends	443,886	-	443,886
Employer contributions	170,000	337,000	507,000
Allocation of First Busey Corporation common stock, at fair value			
2000 - 18,000 shares	358,875	-	358,875
1999 - 44,285 shares	-	-	-
1998 - 44,286 shares	-	-	-
TOTAL ADDITIONS	(1,151,007)	14,500	(1,136,507)
Interest expense	208,569	-	208,569
Administrative expenses	49,672	-	49,672
Distributions to participants			
Cash	1,297	-	1,297
Stock 2000 - 39,953 shares	903,937	-	903,937
Stock 1999 - 11,369 shares	-	-	-
Stock 1998 - 17,816 shares	-	-	-
Dividend distributions to participants	391,144	-	391,144
Allocation of First Busey Corporation common stock, at market value			
2000 - 18,000 shares	-	358,875	358,875
1999 - 44,285 shares	-	-	-
1998 - 44,286 shares	-	-	-
TOTAL DEDUCTIONS	1,554,619	358,875	1,913,494
NET INCREASE (DECREASE)	(2,705,626)	(344,375)	(3,050,001)
Net assets available for benefits:			
Beginning of year	18,840,225	95,000	18,935,225
End of year	\$16,134,599	(\$249,375)	\$15,885,224

See Notes to Financial Statements.

	1999			1998		
	Allocated	Unallocated	Total	Allocated	Unallocated	Total
Investment income:						
Net change in unrealized appreciation in fair value of investments	\$3,443,525	\$173,748	\$3,617,273	\$3,392,511	\$488,559	\$3,881,070
Interest	1,669	-	1,669	554	-	554
Dividends	376,297	-	376,297	338,572	-	338,572
Employer contributions	80,000	150,000	230,000	96,000	150,000	246,000
Allocation of First Busey Corporation common stock, at fair value						
2000 - 18,000 shares	-	-	-	-	-	-
1999 - 44,285 shares	1,001,955	-	1,001,955	-	-	-
1998 - 44,286 shares	-	-	-	808,220	-	808,220
TOTAL ADDITIONS	4,903,446	323,748	5,227,194	4,635,857	638,559	5,274,416
Interest expense	50,417	-	50,417	39,561	-	39,561
Administrative expenses	54,000	-	54,000	75,829	-	75,829
Distributions to participants						
Cash	590	-	590	878	-	878
Stock 2000 - 39,953 shares	-	-	-	-	-	-
Stock 1999 - 11,369 shares	207,484	-	207,484	-	-	-
Stock 1998 - 17,816 shares	-	-	-	244,970	-	244,970
Dividend distributions to participants	347,393	-	347,393	293,959	-	293,959
Allocation of First Busey Corporation common stock, at market value						
2000 - 18,000 shares	-	-	-	-	-	-
1999 - 44,285 shares	-	1,001,955	1,001,955	-	-	-
1998 - 44,286 shares	-	-	-	-	808,220	808,220
TOTAL DEDUCTIONS	659,884	1,001,955	1,661,839	655,197	808,220	1,463,417
NET INCREASE (DECREASE)	4,243,562	(678,207)	3,565,355	3,980,660	(169,661)	3,810,999
Net assets available for benefits:						
Beginning of year	14,596,663	773,207	15,369,870	10,616,003	942,868	11,558,871
End of year	\$18,840,225	\$95,000	\$18,935,225	\$14,596,663	\$773,207	\$15,369,870

FIRST BUSEY CORPORATION EMPLOYEES' STOCK OWNERSHIP PLAN
 NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

NOTE 1. PLAN DESCRIPTION AND BASIS OF PRESENTATION

The following description of the Plan provides only general information. Participants should refer to the Plan agreement for a more complete description of the Plan's provisions.

General:

First Busey Corporation (the Company) established the First Busey Corporation Employees' Stock Ownership Plan (the Plan) effective as of January 1, 1984. The Plan operates as a leveraged employee stock ownership plan (ESOP), and is designed to comply with Section 4975(e)(7) and the regulations thereunder of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the Code), and is subject to the applicable provisions of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, as amended (ERISA). The Plan is a multiple-employer stock ownership plan and is administered by the Company. First Busey Trust & Investment Co., a subsidiary of the Company, is the Plan's Trustee.

The Plan purchased Company common shares using the proceeds of bank borrowings guaranteed by the Company, and holds the stock in a trust established under the Plan. The borrowings are to be repaid by fully deductible Company contributions to the trust fund. As the Plan makes each payment of principal, an appropriate percentage of stock will be allocated to eligible employees' accounts in accordance with applicable regulations under the Code.

The bank borrowings are collateralized by the unallocated shares of stock and are guaranteed by the Company. The lender has no rights against shares once they are allocated under the ESOP. Accordingly, the financial statements of the Plan for the years 2000 and 1999 present separately the assets and liabilities and changes therein pertaining to:

- (a) the accounts of employees with vested rights in allocated stock (Allocated) and
- (b) stock not yet allocated to employees (Unallocated).

The Plan covers all full-time employees of the Company and its participating subsidiaries who have completed one year of service. Participants who do not work full-time or are not employed on the last working day of a Plan year are not eligible for an allocation of Company contributions for such year.

No distributions from the Plan will be made until a participant retires, dies (in which case, payment shall be made to his or her beneficiary or, if none, his or her legal representatives), or otherwise terminates employment with the Company. Distributions are made in cash or, if a participant elects, in the form of Company common stock plus cash for any fractional share.

Each participant is entitled to exercise voting rights attributable to the shares allocated to his or her account and is notified by the Trustee prior to the time that such rights are to be exercised. The Trustee is not permitted to vote any share for which instructions have not been given by a participant.

FIRST BUSEY CORPORATION EMPLOYEES' STOCK OWNERSHIP PLAN
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The Company reserves the right to terminate the Plan at any time, subject to Plan provisions. Upon such termination of the Plan, the interest of each participant in the trust fund will be distributed to such participant or his or her beneficiary at the time prescribed by the Plan terms and the Code. Upon termination of the Plan, the Employee Benefits Committee shall direct the Trustee to pay all liabilities and expenses of the trust fund and to sell shares of financed stock held in the loan suspense account to the extent it determines such sale to be necessary in order to repay the loan.

Participants' accounts:

Each participant's account is credited with an allocation of (a) the employer contributions, (b) the Plan's net earnings and (c) forfeitures of terminated participant's non-vested accounts.

Allocations of common stock released and forfeitures are based on the eligible compensation of each participant. Allocations of the Plan's net earnings are based on participant account balances. The benefit to which a participant is entitled is the benefit that can be provided from the participant's account.

Vesting:

Vesting in the participants' accounts is based on years of continuous service. A participant is 100 percent vested after seven years of credited service.

Payment of benefits:

Upon termination of service, a participant may elect to receive either a lump-sum amount equal to the value of his or her account, or in installments over a period not longer than the life expectancy of the participant.

Dividends:

Dividends on common stock allocated to participants' accounts are distributed directly to the participant so that the dividends result in income tax deductions for First Busey Corporation.

Dividends on common stock not allocated to participants' accounts are distributed directly to the Plan to offset interest and administrative expenses.

Stock split:

The Board of Directors of First Busey Corporation approved a two-for-one stock split for stockholders of record on August 3, 1998. All share amounts in the financial statements have been restated to reflect the stock split.

FIRST BUSEY CORPORATION EMPLOYEES' STOCK OWNERSHIP PLAN
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Plan termination:

Although it has not expressed any intent to do so, the Company has the right under the Plan to discontinue its contributions at any time and to terminate the Plan subject to the provisions of ERISA. In the event of plan termination, participants would become 100 percent vested in their accounts. Presently, there is no intention on the part of the Company to terminate the Plan or to discontinue contributions to the Plan.

NOTE 2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of accounting:

The financial statements of the Plan are prepared under the accrual method of accounting.

Use of estimates:

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

Investment valuation and income recognition:

The common stock of the Company is valued at fair value. Prior to October, 1998, the Company's common stock was traded in the over-the-counter (OTC) market. Fair value was determined by the last reported sales price at the valuation date. Since October, 1998, the Company's common stock is traded on the NASDAQ. Fair value of the common stock is determined by quoted market prices.

Dividend income is accrued on the ex-dividend date.

Purchases and sales of securities are recorded on a trade-date basis. Realized gains and losses from security transactions are reported on the specific identification cost method.

NOTE 3. EMPLOYER CONTRIBUTIONS

The Company is obligated to make contributions in cash to the Plan equal to the amount necessary to enable the Plan to make its regularly scheduled payments of principal and interest due on its debt discussed in Note 6.

The Company may also make discretionary contributions in cash to the Plan. The Company made a discretionary contribution of \$170,000, \$80,000 and \$96,000 for the Plan years ended December 31, 2000, 1999 and 1998, respectively.

FIRST BUSEY CORPORATION EMPLOYEES' STOCK OWNERSHIP PLAN
 NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

NOTE 4. ADMINISTRATION OF PLAN ASSETS

The Plan's assets, which consist principally of First Busey Corporation common stock, are held by the Trustee of the Plan.

Company contributions are held and managed by the Trustee, which invests cash received, interest, and dividend income and makes distributions to participants. The Trustee also administers the payment of interest and principal on the loan, which is reimbursed to the Trustee through contributions as determined by the Company.

Certain administrative functions are performed by officers or employees of the Company or its subsidiaries. No such officer or employee receives compensation from the Plan. Administrative expenses for the Trustee's fees are paid directly by the Plan.

NOTE 5. INVESTMENT

The Plan's investment consists solely of First Busey Corporation common stock as follows:

	December 31,			
	2000		1999	
	Allocated	Unallocated	Allocated	Unallocated
Number of shares	809,138	102,000	831,091	120,000
Cost	\$4,412,876	\$556,288	\$4,532,604	\$654,456
Fair value	\$16,132,189	\$2,033,625	\$18,803,434	\$2,715,000

In November 1999, the Plan purchased 100,000 shares of First Busey Corporation common stock from an employee/stockholder. The purchase of the stock was financed from the proceeds of a note from American National Bank of Chicago.

FIRST BUSEY CORPORATION EMPLOYEES' STOCK OWNERSHIP PLAN
 NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

NOTE 6. NOTES PAYABLE

Notes payable consist of:

	2000	1999
American National Bank of Chicago, due January 21, 2001	\$-	\$2,370,000
American National Bank of Chicago, due January 21, 2000	-	250,000
American National Bank of Chicago, due December 15, 200	150,000	-
American National Bank of Chicago, due December 15, 200	2,133,000	-
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	\$2,283,000	\$2,620,000
	=====	=====
Shares of First Busey Corporation common stock secured as collateral	102,000	120,000
	=====	=====

As of December 31, 2000, the above notes payable had stated interest rates of 8.29375% on the \$150,000 note and 8.29375% on the \$2,133,000 note with maturities of December 15, 2009 and December 15, 2006, respectively.

NOTE 7. TAX STATUS

The Internal Revenue Service has determined and informed the Company by a letter dated March 28, 1996, that the Plan is qualified and the trust established under the Plan is tax-exempt, under the appropriate sections of the Code. The Plan has been amended since receiving the determination letter. However, the Plan administrator believes that the Plan is designed and is currently being operated in compliance with the applicable requirements of the Code.

NOTE 8. PARTY IN INTEREST TRANSACTIONS

Parties in interest include fiduciaries or employees of the plan, any person who provides services to the plan, an employer whose employees are covered by the plan, an employee organization whose members are covered by the plan, a person who owns 50 percent or more of such an employer or employee association, or relatives of such persons just listed.

Fees paid to First Busey Trust & Investment Co., the Plan's trustee, for investment management services amounted to \$30,000, \$31,320 and \$56,609 for each of the years in the three year period ended December 31, 2000.

NOTE 9. FORFEITED ACCOUNTS

For the year ending December 31, 2000, forfeited non-vested accounts totaled \$43,776. These accounts have been allocated to participants' accounts.

FIRST BUSEY CORPORATION EMPLOYEES' STOCK OWNERSHIP PLAN
SCHEDULE OF ASSETS HELD FOR INVESTMENT PURPOSES AT END OF YEAR
DECEMBER 31, 2000

Description	Number of Shares	Cost	Current Value

First Busey Corporation common stock	911,138	\$4,969,164	\$18,165,814
		=====	=====

FIRST BUSEY CORPORATION EMPLOYEES' STOCK OWNERSHIP PLAN
 SCHEDULE OF REPORTABLE TRANSACTIONS
 Year Ended December 31, 2000

Identity of Party Involved	Description of Asset	Purchase Price	Selling Price	Lease Rental	Expenses Incurred with Transaction	Cost of Asset	Current Value of Asset on Transaction Date	Net Gain or Loss
First Busey Corporation	None							

FIRST BUSEY CORPORATION EMPLOYEES' STOCK OWNERSHIP PLAN
PARTY IN INTEREST TRANSACTIONS
Year Ended December 31, 2000

Description of Transaction	Transaction Amount
Management fees paid to First Busey Trust & Investment Co.	\$30,000 =====

CONSENT OF INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANTS

We consent to the incorporation by reference in the Registration Statement on Form S-8 (File No. 33-60402) under the Securities Act of 1933 of First Busey Corporation of our report dated June 22, 2000 on our audits of the financial statements of First Busey Corporation Employee Stock Option Plan as of December 31, 2000 and 1999, and for each of the years in the three year period ended December 31, 2000 and supporting schedules as of December 31, 2000, which is included in the Annual Report on Form 11-K for the year ended December 31, 2000.

/s/ McGladrey and Pullen, LLP

Champaign, Illinois
June 28, 2001

