

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENTEXECUTIVE OFFICERS

President	-	Harry S. Truman (re-elected Nov. 1948, inaugurated Jan. 20, 1949)
Secretary of Treasury	-	John W. Snyder (appointed June 24, 1946)
Comptroller of Currency	-	Preston Delano (date of appointment Oct. 24, 1938)
Secretary of State	-	Dean ^{G.} Acheson
Secretary of Defense	-	Louis A. Johnson, George C. Marshall
Secretary of Interior	-	Oscar L. Chapman
Secretary of Agriculture	-	Charles F. Brannan
Secretary of Commerce	-	Charles W. Sawyer
Secretary of Labor	-	Maurice J. Tobin
Postmaster General	-	Jesse L. Donaldson
Attorney General	-	J. Howard McGrath

1950
January

U. S. G O V E R N M E N T

S E N A T E

Banking and Currency Committee

81st Congress

Dem.
Republicans

Rep
Democrats

MAYBANK, Burnet R.
TAYLOR, Glen H.
FULBRIGHT, J. William
ROBERTSON, A. Willis
SPARKMAN, John J.
FREAR jr., J. Allen
DOUGLAS, Paul H.
LONG, Russell B.

South Carolina
Idaho
Arkansas
Virginia
Alabama
Delaware
Illinois
Louisiana

TOBEY, Charles W.
CAPEHART, Homer E.
FLANDERS, Ralph E.
CAIN, Harry P.
BRICKER, John W.

New Hampshire
Indiana
Vermont
Washington
Ohio

A. Lee Parsons, Chief Clerk

1950
January

U. S. G O V E R N M E N T

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Banking and Currency Committee

81st Congress

Democrats

SPENCE, Brent
BROWN, Paul
PATMAN, Wright
MONRONEY, A.S. Mike
HAYS, Brooks
RAINS, Albert
BUCHANAN, Frank
MULTER, Abraham J.
DEANE, Charles B.
O'BRIEN, George D.
WOODHOUSE, Chase Going
MCKINNON, Clinton D.
ADDONIZIO, Hugh J.
DOLLINGER, Isidore
MITCHELL, Hugh B.
O'HARA, Barratt

Kentucky
Georgia
Texas
Aklahoma
Arkansas
Alabama
Pennsylvania
New York
North Carolina
Michigan
Connecticut
California
New Jersey
New York
Washington
Illinois

Republicans

WOLCOTT, Jesse P.
GAMBLE, Ralph A.
SMITH, Frederick C.
KUNKEL, John C.
TALLE, Henry O.
McMILLEN, Rolla C.
KILBURN, Clarence E.
COLE, Albert M.
HULL, Merlin
SCOTT, Hardie
NICHOLSON, Donald W.

Michigan
New York
Ohio
Pennsylvania
Iowa
Illinois
New York
Kansas
Wisconsin
Pennsylvania
Massachusetts

William J. Hallahan, Clerk

1950

FEDERAL RESERVE SYSTEM

BOARD OF GOVERNORS

Thomas B. McCabe, Chairman

Marriner S. Eccles M. S. Szymczak R. M. Evans James K. Vardaman, Jr. Ernest G.
Oliver S. Powell (assumed duties 9/1) Edward L. Norton (assumed Draper (term
duties 9/1) duties 9/1) expired 1/31)

Elliott Thurston Assistant to the Board

Chester Morrill, Special Asst. to Board

Winfield W. Riefler, Asst. to Chairman

Woodlief Thomas, Economic Adviser to Board

Office of the Secretary

S. R. Carpenter, Secretary

Bray Hammond, Asst. Sec. (retired 2/1)

Kenneth A. Kenyon Asst. Sec.

Merritt Sherman, Asst. Sec.

Legal Division

George B. Vest, General Counsel

Frederic Solomon, Asst. Gen. Counsel

John C. Baumann, Asst. Gen. Counsel

Office of the Solicitor

J. Leonard Townsend, Solicitor

G. Howland Chase, Asst. Solicitor

Division of Bank Operations

Robert L. Leonard, Director

J. E. Horbett, Asst. Dir.

Lowell Myrick, Asst. Dir.

Division of Examinations

Edwin R. Millard, Director (res. Dec. 1)

Edward A. Wayne, Acting Dir. (eff. Dec. 1)

George S. Sloan, Asst. Dir.

C. C. Hostrup, Asst. Dir.

Fred A. Nelson Asst. Dir. (eff. Oct. 30)

Division of Personnel Administration

Fred A. Nelson, Director (up to October 30)

Robert N. Hilkert, Acting Dir. (eff. Oct. 30)

Division of Administrative Services

Liston P. Bethea, Director

Gardner L. Boothe, II, Asst. Dir.

*Division of International Finance

Arthur W. Marget, Director

Louis N. Dembitz, Asst. Director

(turn over)

+Office of Real Estate Credit

Charles T. Fisher, Jr. Administrator

Guy E. Noyes, Asst. Administrator

Division of Research and Statistics

Ralph A. Young Director

Frank R. Garfield, Adviser on Economic Research (eff. March 1)

Arthur W. Marget, Adviser on International Finance (eff. Mar. 1 to July 1)

Guy E. Noyes, Asst. Director, (eff. Mar. 1 to Sept. 13)

Kenneth B. Williams, Acting Director,

* Effective July 1, this division was established.

+ Effective September 13, this division was established.

FEDERAL RESERVE SYSTEM
FEDERAL ADVISORY COUNCIL

District No. 1 (Boston)	Walter S. Bucklin
District No. 2 (New York)	N. Baxter Jackson
District No. 3 (Philadelphia)	Frederic A. Potts
District No. 4 (Cleveland)	Sidney B. Congdon
District No. 5 (Richmond)	Robert V. Fleming, Vice President
District No. 6 (Atlanta)	J. T. Brown
District No. 7 (Chicago)	Edward E. Brown, President
District No. 8 (St. Louis)	W. L. Hemingway
District No. 9 (Minneapolis)	Joseph F. Ringland
District No. 10 (Kansas City)	David T. Beals
District No. 11 (Dallas)	J. E. Woods
District No. 12 (San Francisco)	James K. Lohead

Herbert V. Prochnow, Secretary

1950

FEDERAL RESERVE SYSTEM
FEDERAL OPEN MARKET COMMITTEE

Thomas B. McCabe, Chairman
Allan Sproul, Vice Chairman

Chester C. Davis
Ernest G. Draper

Marriner S. Eccles
Joseph A. Erickson
C. S. Young

R. M. Evans
J. N. Peyton

M. S. Szymczak
James K. Vardaman, Jr.

Chester Morrill, Secretary
S. R. Carpenter, Assistant Secretary
George B. Vest, General Counsel
Woodlief Thomas, Economist
John K. Langum, Associate Economist
Alfred C. Neal, Associate Economist
J. Marvin Peterson, Associate Economist
William H. Stead, Associate Economist
John H. Williams, Associate Economist
Robert G. Rouse, Manager of System Open Market Account

OFFICERS

President	-	Joseph A. Erickson
First Vice President	-	William Willett

Vice Presidents

John J. Fogg	Alfred C. Neal
Ellis G. Hult	Carl B. Pitman
Earle O. Latham	Roy F. Van Amringe
Robert B. Harvey	Oscar A. Schlaikjer

Chairman and Federal Reserve Agent	Albert M. Creighton
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Deputy Chairman	Harold D. Hodgkinson
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DIRECTORS

	<u>Term Expires</u> <u>Dec. 31</u>
<u>Class A</u>	
FORBES, Allan (Boston, Mass.)	1950
BRITTON, Russell H. (Rochester, N. H.)	1951
STAMM, Earle W. (New London, Conn.)	1952 (re-elected)
<u>Class B</u>	
ALLEN, Philip R. (E. Walpole, Mass.)	1950
BLACKALL, Frederick S., Jr. (Woonsocket, R. I.)	1951
PATRICK, Roy L. (Burlington, Vermont)	1952 (re-elected)
<u>Class C</u>	
CREIGHTON, Albert M. (Boston, Mass.) Chairman & FR Agent	1950
STEVENS, Ames (Lowell, Mass.)	1951
HODGKINSON, Harold D. (Boston, Mass.) Deputy Chairman	1952(re-appointed)

OFFICERS

President	-	Allan Sproul
First Vice President	-	Leslie R. Rounds

Vice Presidents

Harold A. Bilby	Harold V. Roelse
Herbert H. Kimball	Robert G. Rouse
L. Werner Knoke	William F. Treiber
Walter S. Logan	Valentine Willis
Arthur Phelan	Reginald B. Wiltse

Chairman and Federal Reserve Agent	Robert T. Stevens
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Deputy Chairman	William I. Myers
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DIRECTORS

	<u>Term Expires</u> <u>Dec. 31</u>
<u>Class A</u>	
WORDEN, Frederic E. (Auburn, N. Y.)	1950
PRESCOTT, Roger B. (Keeseville, N. Y.)	1951
TRAPHAGEN, John C. (New York, N. Y.)	1952 (elected)
<u>Class B</u>	
FOLSOM, Marion B. (Rochester, N. Y.)	1950
CRANE, Jay E. (New York, N. Y.)	1951
BROWN, Lewis H. (New York, N. Y.)	1952 (re-elected)
<u>Class C</u>	
STEVENS, Robert T. (New York, N. Y.) Chairman & FR Agent	1950
MYERS, William I. (Ithaca, N. Y.) Deputy Chairman	1951
PATTERSON, Robert P. Hon. (New York, N. Y.)	1952 (app. April 25)

OFFICERS

President	-	Alfred H. Williams
First Vice President	-	W. J. Davis

Vice Presidents

Karl R. Bopp	William G. McCreedy
L. E. Donaldson	Philip M. Poorman
Robert N. Hilkert	Ernest C. Hill

Chairman and Federal Reserve Agent	Warren F. Whittier
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Deputy Chairman	C. Canby Balderston
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DIRECTORS

<u>Class A</u>	<u>Term Expires</u> <u>Dec. 31</u>
SWIFT, Archie D. (Philadelphia, Penn.)	1950
REILY, George W. (Harrisburg, Penn.)	1951
PATTERSON, J. Nyce (Watsonstown, Penn.)	1952 (elected)
 <u>Class B</u>	
LIPPINCOTT, Walter H. (Wilmington, Delaware)	1950
FROST, Albert G. (Camden, New Jersey)	1951
MEINEL, William J. (Philadelphia, Penn.)	1952 (re-elected)
 <u>Class C</u>	
BALDERSTON, C. Canby (Philadelphia, Penn.) Deputy Chairman	1950
SHARPLES, Philip T. (Philadelphia, Penn.)	1951 (res. July 19)
WHITTIER, Warren F. (Chester Springs, Penn.) Chairman	1952 (re-appointed)

OFFICERS

President	-	Ray M. Gidney
First Vice President	-	William H. Fletcher

Vice Presidents

Roger R. Clouse	Alfred H. Laning
W. D. Fulton	Martin Morrison
John W. Kossin	Paul C. Stetzelberger
Donald S. Thompson	

Chairman and Federal Reserve Agent	George C. Brainard
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Deputy Chairman	A. Z. Baker
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DIRECTORS

	<u>Term Expires</u> <u>Dec. 31</u>
<u>Class A</u>	
ROHR, John T. (Toledo, Ohio)	1950
CONNER, Ben R. (Ada, Ohio)	1951
BAINER, John D. (Meadville, Pennsylvania)	1952 (re-elected)
<u>Class B</u>	
AUSTIN, C. L. (Pittsburgh, Penn.)	1950
BOWLBY, Joel M. (Cincinnati, Ohio)	1951
DOLL, Edward C. (Erie, Pennsylvania)	1952 (elected)
<u>Class C</u>	
BAKER, A. Z. (Cleveland, Ohio) Deputy Chairman	1950
RUMMELL, Leo L. (Columbus, Ohio)	1951
BRAINARD, George C. (Cleveland, Ohio) Chairman & FR Agent	1952 (re-appointed)

1950

Federal Reserve Bank of Richmond (Dist. 5)

OFFICERS

President	-	Hugh Leach
First Vice President	-	J. S. Walden, Jr.

Vice Presidents

N. L. Armistead	W. R. Milford
Edward A. Wayne	R. L. Cherry
R. W. Mercer	K. Brantley Watson
C. B. Strathy	Charles W. Williams

Chairman and Federal Reserve Agent	Charles P. McCormick
Deputy Chairman	John B. Woodward, Jr.

DIRECTORS

	<u>Term Expires</u>
	<u>Dec. 31</u>
<u>Class A</u>	
SYDENSTRICKER, John A. (Marlinton, W. Va.)	1950
HARRISON, James D. (Baltimore, Maryland)	1951
JOHNSON, Warren S. (Wilmington, N. C.)	1952 (re-elected)
<u>Class B</u>	
PAGE, Cary L. (Wellford, South Carolina)	1950
REED, Charles C. (Richmond, Virginia)	1951 (died Oct. 15)
RUST, H. L., Jr. (Washington, D. C.)	1952 (re-elected)
<u>Class C</u>	
McCORMICK, Charles P. (Baltimore, Md.) Chairman & FR Agent	1950
WYSOR, W. G. (Richmond, Virginia)	1951
WOODWARD, John B., Jr. (Newport News, Va.) Deputy Chairman	1952 (re-appointed)

OFFICERS

President	-	W. S. McLarin, Jr.
First Vice President	-	L. M. Clark

Vice Presidents

V. K. Bowman	E. P. Paris
J. E. Denmark	S. P. Schuessler
Joel B. Fort, Jr.	P. L. T. Beavers
T. A. Lanford	

Chairman and Federal Reserve Agent	Frank H. Neely
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Deputy Chairman	Rufus C. Harris
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DIRECTORSClass A

Term Expires

Dec. 31

WHITE, George J. (Mount Dora, Florida)

1950

WILLIAMS, R. Clyde (Atlanta, Georgia)

1951

DRIVER, Leslie R. (Bristol, Tennessee)

1952 (elected)

Class B

FREEMAN, Alfred Bird (New Orleans, La.)

1950

McCRRARY, J. A. (Atlanta, Georgia)

1951

COMER, Donald (Birmingham, Alabama)

1952 (re-elected)

Class C

NEELY, Frank H. (Atlanta, Georgia) Chairman & FR Agent

1950

REINHOLD, Paul E. (Jacksonville, Florida)

1951

HARRIS, Rufus C. (New Orleans, La.) Deputy Chairman

1952 (re-appointed)

OFFICERS

President	-	C. S. Young
First Vice President	-	E. C. Harris (eff. Feb. 1)

Vice Presidents

Allan M. Black	E. C. Harris (up to Feb. 1)
H. J. Chalfont	J. K. Langum
N. B. Dawes	A. L. Olson
W. R. Diercks	A. T. Sihler

W. W. Turner

Chairman and Federal Reserve Agent	Franklin J. Lunding
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Deputy Chairman	John S. Coleman
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DIRECTORSClass A

Term Expires

Dec. 31

JOHNSON, Vivian W. (Cedar Falls, Iowa)	1950
CUMMINGS, Walter J. (Chicago, Illinois)	1951
FRENCH, Horace S. (Chicago, Illinois)	1952 (re-elected)

Class B

NOYES, Nicholas H. (Indianapolis, Ind.)	1950
HEATH, William C. (Milwaukee, Wisconsin)	1951
GREDE, William J. (Milwaukee, Wisconsin)	1952 (re-elected)

Class C

KLINE, Allan B. (Chicago, Illinois)	1950
LUNDING, F. J. (Barrington, Ill.) Chairman & FR Agent	1951
COLEMAN, John S. (Detroit, Michigan) Deputy Chairman	1952 (appointed)

OFFICERS

President	-	Chester C. Davis
First Vice President	-	F. Guy Hitt

Vice Presidents

C. A. Schacht	Paul E. Schroeder
O. M. Attebery	Wm. H. Stead
Wm. E. Peterson	C. M. Stewart

Chairman and Federal Reserve Agent	Russell L. Dearmont
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Deputy Chairman	Wm. H. Bryce
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DIRECTORSClass ATerm Expires
Dec. 31

SMITH, Tom K. (St. Louis, Mo.)	1950
CHAPPELL, Phil E. (Hopkinsville, Kentucky)	1951
ETHERTON, J. E. (Carbondale, Illinois)	1952 (elected)

Class B

RUTHENBURG, Louis (Evansville, Indiana)	1950
ALEXANDER, M. Moss (St. Louis, Missouri)	1951
PLUNKETT, Ralph E. (Little Rock, Arkansas)	1952 (elected)

Class C

BRYCE, Wm. H. (Memphis, Tenn.) Deputy Chairman	1950
MOORE, Joseph H. (Charleston, Missouri)	1951 (app. March 15)
DEARMONT, Russell L. (St. Louis, Missouri) Chairman	1952 (re-appointed)

Federal Reserve Bank of Minneapolis (Dist. 9)

OFFICERS

President	-	John N. Peyton
First Vice President	-	Oliver S. Powell (Up to Sept. 1) Albert W. Mills (eff. Sept. 15)

Vice Presidents

Harold C. Core	Maurice H. Strothman, Jr.
Clarence W. Groth	Harold G. McConnell
Otis R. Preston	Earl B. Larson
	Sigurd Ueland

Chairman and Federal Reserve Agent	-	Roger B. Shepard
Deputy Chairman	-	W. D. Cochran

DIRECTORS

<u>Class A</u>	<u>Term Expires</u> <u>Dec. 31</u>
McKNIGHT, J. R. (Pierre, S.D.)	1950
BURGES, C. W. (Edgeley, N.D.)	1951
*ATWOOD, H. E. (Minneapolis, Minnesota)	1952 (died Aug. 27)
*QUAY, Arthur H. (Minneapolis, Minnesota)	1952 (eff. Nov. 7)
 <u>Class B</u>	
McLEOD, Walter H. (Missoula, Mont.)	1950
LANGE, Ray C. (Chippewa Falls, Wis.)	1951
CLARK, Homer P. (St. Paul, Minnesota)	1952 (re-elected)
 <u>Class C</u>	
SHEPARD, Roger B. (St. Paul, Minnesota) Chrman & FR Agt	1950
MILLER, Paul E. (St. Paul, Minn.)	1951
COCHRAN, W. D. (Iron Mountain, Mich.) Deputy Chrman	1952 (re-appointed)

Federal Reserve Bank of Kansas City (Dist. 10)

OFFICERS

President - H. G. Leedy
First Vice President - Henry O. Koppang

Vice Presidents

D. W. Woolley
Delos C. Johns
G. H. Pipkin
C. E. Sandy

John Phillips, Jr.
L. H. Earhart
R. L. Mathes

Chairman and Federal
Reserve Agent

Robert B. Caldwell

Deputy Chairman

Robert L. Mehornay

Federal Reserve Bank of Kansas City (Dist. 10)

DIRECTORS

<u>Class A</u>	<u>Term Expires</u> <u>Dec. 31</u>
BUNTEN, W. L. (Goodland, Kans.)	1950
DINES, T. A. (Denver, Colo.)	1951
LIMBOCKER, M. A. (Emporia, Kans.)	1952 (re-elected)
 <u>Class B</u>	
HUTSON, L. C. (Chickasha, Okla.)	1950
HOSFORD, Willard D. (Omaha, Neb.)	1951
DODDS, E. M. (Kansas City, Mo.)	1952 (elected)
 <u>Class C</u>	
MEHORNAY, Robert L. (Kansas City, Mo.) Dep. Chrman	1950
HAGUE, Lyle L. (Cherokee, Okla.)	1951
CALDWELL, Robert B. (Kansas City, Mo.)	1952 (re-appointed)

1950

Federal Reserve Bank of Dallas (Dist. 11)

OFFICERS

President	-	R. R. Gilbert
First Vice President	-	W. D. Gentry

Vice Presidents

W. E. Eagle	W. H. Holloway
R. B. Coleman	H. R. De Moss
E. B. Austin	W. H. Irons
L. G. Pondrom	Mac C. Smyth
	C. M. Rowland

Chairman and Federal Reserve Agent	-	J. R. Parten
Deputy Chairman	-	R. B. Anderson

Federal Reserve Bank of Dallas (Dist. 11)

DIRECTORSClass ATerm Expires
Dec. 31

PETERSON, W. L. (Denison, Texas)
 BUTLER, P. P. (Houston, Texas)
 McLAUGHLIN, J. Edd (Ralls, Texas)

1950
 1951
 1952 (re-elected)

Class B

BEALL, W. F. (Jacksonville, Texas)
 MILAM, J. R. (Waco, Texas)
 MacGREGOR, George L. (Dallas, Texas)

1950
 1951
 1952 (re-elected)

Class C

FRIERSON, G. A. (Shreveport, La.)
 ANDERSON, R. B. (Vernon, Texas) Deputy Chairman
 PARTEN, J. R. (Houston, Texas) Chrman & FR Agent

1950
 1951
 1952 (re-appointed)

Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco (Dist 12)

OFFICERS

President - C. E. Earhart
First Vice President - H. N. Mangels

Vice Presidents

J. M. Leisner	H. F. Slade
S. A. MacEachron	Ronald T. Symms
E. R. Millard (eff. Dec. 1)	W. F. Volberg
W. L. Partner	O. P. Wheeler

Chairman and Federal
Reserve Agent

Brayton Wilbur

Deputy Chairman

Harry R. Wellman

<u>Class A</u>	<u>DIRECTORS</u>	<u>Term Expires</u> <u>Dec. 31</u>
STEWART, Chas. H. (Portland, Ore.)		1950
BYRD, Carroll F. (Willows, Ore.)		1951
CROCKER, William W. (San Francisco, Calif.)		1952 (elected)
 <u>Class B</u>		
HOLDEN, St. George (San Francisco, Calif.)		1950
TAYLOR, Reese H. (Los Angeles, Calif.)		1951
JOHNSON, Walter S. (San Francisco, Calif.)		1952 (re-elected)
 <u>Class C</u>		
WALLACE, Wm. R. (Jr.) (San Francisco, Calif.)		1950
WELLMAN, Harry R. (Berkeley, Calif.) Deputy Chrman		1951
WILBUR, Brayton (San Francisco, Calif.) Chrman & FR Agt		1952 (re-appointed)

1950

Jan. 11,23,30

HEARINGS

U.S.Congress. Senate. Banking and currency
committee.

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Amendments to Federal Deposit Insurance

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Act: HEARINGS... 81st, 2nd sess. on S.80,
S.2094, S.2300, S.2307 and S.2822...

1950

Jan. 11, 23, 30, 1950. Wash., Govt.ptg.off. 1950

150 p

Testimony: McCabe, T.B.(Chmn.Bd) prepared statement
pp. 102-124

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1950

July 24,25

HEARINGS

U.S.Congress. House. Banking and currency
committee

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635

Defense production act of 1950: HEARINGS...
81st, 2d sess. on H.R.9176, a bill to establish
a system of priorities and allocations for
materials and facilities... July 24-25, 1950.
Wash., Govt.ptg.off., 1950

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1950
HEARINGS

130 p.

Testimony: Evans, R.M. (Bd.mbr) July 25 pp. 41-88

F.R.Bd.L.

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1950

July 24-26

HEARINGS

U.S.Congress. Senate. Banking and currency
committee.

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635

Defense production act of 1950: HEARINGS...

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81st, 2d sess. on S.3936, a bill to establish a
system of priorities and allocations for
materials and facilities... July 24-26, 1950
Wash., Govt.ptg.off., 1950.

1950

HEARINGS

329 p.

- Supplement: HEARINGS...81st, 2d. sess on
S.3936...August 7, 1950

21 p.

Testi- Bd. of Govs, FRSystem - statement, pp. 54-59
mony: Eccles, M.S.(Bd.mbr) Statement, July 18
issued at Salt Lake City pp.293-294

F.R.Bd.L.

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1950

? HEARINGS
Report

U.S. Congress. Joint Committee on the economic
report

January 1950 Economic report of the President
hearings, Joint committee on the economic report,
81st. Congress, 2d. sess. Wash. G.P.O. 1950.

1950
May 10

LEGISLATION

[PUBLIC LAW 509—81ST CONGRESS]

[CHAPTER 173—2D SESSION]

[S. 2590]

AN ACT

To amend section 3526 of the Revised Statutes relating to coinage of subsidiary silver coins.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 3526 of the Revised Statutes, as amended (U. S. C., 1946 edition, title 31, sec. 335), is hereby further amended to read as follows:

“SEC. 3526. In order to procure bullion for the silver coinage authorized by this title, other than the silver dollar, the superintendents, with the approval of the Director of the Mint, as to price, terms, and quantity, shall purchase such bullion with the bullion fund. The gain arising from the coinage of such silver bullion into coin of a nominal value exceeding the cost thereof shall be credited to a special fund denominated the silver-profit fund. This fund shall be charged with the wastage incurred in such coinage, with the recoinage loss on silver coins recoined pursuant to section 9 of the Act approved March 14, 1900, chapter 41 (31 Stat. 48), as amended (U. S. C., 1946 edition, title 31, sec. 320), and with the cost of distributing silver coins. The balance remaining to the credit of this fund shall be from time to time, and at least twice a year, covered into the Treasury of the United States.”

Approved May 10, 1950.

1950
May 10

LEGISLATION

[PUBLIC LAW 508—81ST CONGRESS]

[CHAPTER 172—2D SESSION]

[S. 1069]

AN ACT

To amend section 3552 of the Revised Statutes relating to the covering into the Treasury of all moneys arising from charges and deductions.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 3552 of the Revised Statutes (U. S. C., title 31, sec. 369) is amended to read as follows:

“Sec. 3552. The money arising from all charges and deductions on and from gold and silver bullion and from all other sources, except the money derived from the manufacture and sale of medals and proof coins and as otherwise provided by and pursuant to this title, shall from time to time be covered into the Treasury, and no part of such deductions, or profit on silver or minor coinage, shall be expended in salaries or wages. The money arising from the manufacture and sale of medals and proof coins shall be reimbursed to the appropriation then current and chargeable for the cost of manufacture and sale of medals and proof coins. All expenditures of the mints and assay offices, not herein otherwise provided for, shall be paid from appropriations made by law on estimates furnished by the Secretary of the Treasury.”

Approved May 10, 1950.

1950
June 30

LEGISLATION

[PUBLIC LAW 589—81ST CONGRESS]

[CHAPTER 425—2D SESSION]

[S. 3527]

AN ACT

To amend section 14 (b) of the Federal Reserve Act, as amended.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 14 (b) of the Federal Reserve Act, as amended (U. S. C., 1946 edition, title 12, sec. 355), is amended by striking out "July 1, 1950" and inserting in lieu thereof "July 1, 1952" and by striking out "June 30, 1950" and inserting in lieu thereof "June 30, 1952".

Approved June 30, 1950.

1950

August 17 Reductions in capital or surplus of converting or merging banks. LEGISLATION

Section 12B of the Federal Reserve Act was amended to provide that when an insured bank converts into, or consolidates or merges with, an insured State bank, the prior written consent of the appropriate Federal supervisory banking agency must be obtained if the capital stock or surplus of the resulting bank will be less than that of the converting bank or less than the aggregate capital stock or surplus, respectively, of the consolidating or merging banks. (Pub. Law 706, 81st Cong.)

Source: Federal Reserve Board Legal Memo, June 26, 1951 - Federal Statutory Changes 1900-1951 Governing the Issuance of Money and Restricted or Defining Bank Credit.

1950

August 18

LEGISLATION

[PUBLIC LAW 715—81ST CONGRESS]

[CHAPTER 754—2D SESSION]

[H. R. 8597]

AN ACT

To permit national banks to give security in the form required by State law for deposits of funds by local public agencies and officers.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the last paragraph of section 5153 of the Revised Statutes, as added by the Act of June 25, 1930 (46 Stat. 809; U. S. C., title 12, sec. 90), is amended to read as follows:

“Any national banking association may, upon the deposit with it of any funds by any State or political subdivision thereof or any agency or other governmental instrumentality of one or more States or political subdivisions thereof, including any officer, employee, or agent thereof in his official capacity, give security for the safekeeping and prompt payment of the funds so deposited to the same extent and of the same kind as is authorized by the law of the State in which such association is located in the case of other banking institutions in the State.”

Approved August 18, 1950.

1950

September 8

DEFENSE PRODUCTION ACT OF 1950
Guarantees of Defense Production Loans.

LEGISLATION

This Act provided authority for guarantees of defense production loans by the Military Departments and certain other procurement agencies of the Government designated by the President. Pursuant thereto, the President by Executive Order 10161 of September 9, 1950, authorized the Federal Reserve Banks to act as fiscal agents on behalf of the guaranteeing agencies under the supervision of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, and delegated to the Board authority to prescribe regulations, fix rates and fees, and prescribe forms and procedures to be followed in connection with such guarantees.* (Pub. Law 774, 81st Cong., sec. 301)

Voluntary credit restraint.

This Act authorized the President to encourage financial institutions to enter into voluntary agreements and programs to restrain credit, which will further the objectives of the Act. No action under such an agreement or program shall be construed to be within the prohibitions of the antitrust laws. By Executive Order 10161 of September 9, 1950, the President delegated to the Board of Governors his authority with respect to financing under this section of the Act. (Pub. Law 774, 81st Cong., sec. 708)

Source: Federal Reserve Board Legal Memo, June 26, 1951 - Federal Statutory Changes 1900-1951 Governing the Issuance of Money and Restricted or Defining Bank Credit.

1950

September 8

DEFENSE PRODUCTION ACT OF 1950

LEGISLATION

Consumer credit control.

This Act authorized the Board of Governors to exercise, until June 30, 1951, consumer credit controls in accordance with and to carry out the provisions of Executive Order 8843 of August 9, 1941. (Pub. Law 774, 81st Cong., sec. 601)

Real estate credit control.

This Act authorized the President to prescribe regulations with respect to the kinds of real estate construction credit which may be extended in order to prevent or reduce excessive or untimely use of or fluctuations in such credit. In carrying out this provision, the President was authorized to utilize the Federal Reserve System and, pursuant thereto, by Executive Order No. 10161 of September 9, 1950, designated the Board of Governors as the administrative agency. (Pub. Law 774, 81st Cong., sec. 602)

Source: Federal Reserve Board Legal Memo, June 26, 1951 - Federal Statutory Changes 1900-1951 Governing the Issuance of Money and Restricted or Defining Bank Credit.

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September 21 Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation Act

LEGISLATION

By this Act the law pertaining to the insurance of bank deposits, which was originally section 12B of the Federal Reserve Act, was withdrawn and made the Federal Deposit Insurance Act. This Act modified the insurance program in two principal ways: it increased the deposit insurance coverage from \$5,000 to \$10,000 and it reduced the net cost of deposit insurance to the insured banks. It also simplified the manner in which the assessment liability is computed. In addition to these major features, the Act provided for a number of minor and technical changes in deposit insurance law. (Pub. Law 797, 81st Cong.)

Source: Federal Reserve Board Legal Memo, June 26, 1951 - Federal Statutory Changes 1900-1951 Governing the Issuance of Money and Restricted or Defining Bank Credit.

1950
August 1950

FEDERAL RESERVE SYSTEM

POLICY ACTION

(See also 1949 - Nov.1949-June 1950)

Apparent Intent - Restrictive

- Open Market Operations - Buying rate on bankers' acceptances raised.
- Discount Rate - Raised from 11/2 to 13/4 percent at all Banks.
- Moral Suasion - Request by bank supervisory agencies for voluntary cooperation of lenders in restraining credit.
- Selective Regulations -
- Surrounding Circumstances - Output and employment close to peacetime record levels; accelerated expansion of credit; prices rising; prospective increases in Government expenditures for military purposes. System announced it was prepared to use all means at its command to restrain further bank credit expansion consistent with policy of maintaining orderly conditions in Government securities market.

Source: Joint Committee on the Economic Report
Monetary Policy and the Management of the Public Debt (Patman Report) 1952,
Page 228.

August 1950 to December 1950

Apparent Intent - *Restrictive
 **For other purposes

- Open Market Operations - **Bought \$8 billion of maturing Government securities (August) \$1 billion of restricted bonds (September-December), and \$1.4 billion of short-term securities (December).
 *Sold \$7 billion of short-term Government securities (August).
- Discount Rate -
- Moral Suasion -
- Selective Regulations -
- Surrounding Circumstances - **Purchases to aid Treasury refundings and prevent decline in long-term bonds below par.
 *Sales of short-term securities at lower prices (higher yields) to offset effect of purchases.
 NOTE--The above-mentioned sales did not completely offset purchases so that the actual net effect of operations for this period was expansionary.

Source: Joint Committee on the Economic Report
 Monetary Policy and the Management of the Public Debt (Patman Report) 1952,
 Page 228 and Page 229.

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FEDERAL RESERVE SYSTEM

POLICY ACTION

September 1950 to October 1950

Apparent Intent - Restrictive

- Open Market Operations -
- Discount Rate -
- Moral Suasion -
- Selective Regulations - On installment credit for list of consumer durable goods down payments 10-33 1/3 percent; maximum maturity 15 months, except home improvements 30 months; maximum maturity of 15 months on installment loans.
On real estate credit down payments 10-50 percent of value of residential property; maximum maturity 20 years with certain exceptions.
- Surrounding Circumstances - Unprecedented rate of expansion of consumer installment and real estate credit. Regulations are parts of fiscal, monetary, and credit measures to restrain inflationary pressures and facilitate diversion of critical material and manpower to production of defense needs, under authority of Defense Production Act of 1950. For reasons of administrative and regulative efficiency consumer credit regulation confined to installment credit and scope set to affect 75 percent of such business.

1950
November 1950

FEDERAL RESERVE SYSTEM

POLICY ACTION

Apparent Intent - Restrictive

- Open Market Operations -
- Moral Suasion - Banks again requested to restrain unnecessary credit expansion.
- Reserve Requirements -
- Selective Regulations -
- Surrounding Circumstances - Unprecedented expansion in bank loans from midyear to mid-November. Continued expansion in credit put upward pressure on prices, impairing purchasing power of dollar and adding to cost of defense program.

Source: Joint Committee on the Economic Report
Monetary Policy and the Management of the Public Debt (Patman Report) 1952,
Page 230.

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CA-7.101. Suit to Enjoin "Branching" of Banks Which Were Subject of Pending Anti-trust Proceeding.—While the Board was holding hearings on its complaint under section 7 of the Clayton Act (referred to in the preceding paragraph), Bank of America entered into arrangements for acquiring the assets of certain of the banks listed in the proceeding. Bank of America had obtained permits from the Comptroller to establish branches at the locations of these banks. The Board brought suit in the Court of Appeals to enjoin the transfer of the assets of the banks until the Board's proceeding could be concluded. The Board argued that the transfer would defeat the jurisdiction of the Board and of the court, because it would make it impossible for the Board to order Transamerica to divest itself of the stock of the banks, and would make it impossible for the court to review any order of the Board. The court decided that the position of the Board was correct, and granted the injunction. The Supreme Court denied the certiorari.

The transfer of assets was made after the injunction was issued, and the respondents were held in contempt, 184 F. 2d 319. Mr. Justice Burton of the Supreme Court, on June 17, 1950, denied an application for a stay. Subsequently, on August 18, 1950, the assets having been retransferred, the court entered an order purging respondents of contempt. Board of Governors v. Transamerica Corporation and Bank of America, 184 F. 2d 311; cert. den. 340 U. S. 883 (1950).