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CONDITION OF FEDERAL RESERVE BANKS

Largely as a result of the Treasury's financial operations, the consolidated statement of condition of the Federal reserve banks on December 15, made public by the Federal Reserve Board, shows a decline of \$42,400,000 in holdings of discounted bills and increases of \$122,900,000 in member bank reserve deposits and \$154,700,000 in Government securities, holdings of which included \$188,000,000 of temporary certificates issued by the Treasury to the Federal reserve banks pending the collection of the quarterly installment of taxes. Total bill and security holdings increased \$105,400,000, Federal reserve note circulation \$36,300,000, and cash reserves \$2,600,000.

The New York reserve bank shows a decrease of \$60,000,000 in its discount holdings, San Francisco \$4,400,000, and Dallas \$3,500,000, while discount holdings of the Philadelphia bank increased \$7,700,000, of St. Louis \$7,200,000, Cleveland \$4,800,000, and Kansas City \$3,500,000. Open-market acceptance holdings declined \$14,500,000 at the New York bank and \$4,300,000 at Boston, and increased \$5,100,000 at Chicago and \$2,300,000 at Cleveland, the System as a whole showing a decline of \$6,900,000.

Total holdings of Treasury notes were \$36,000,000 and of United States bonds \$10,000,000 below last week's totals, while holdings of Treasury certificates increased \$200,700,000. Of the increase in the latter item, \$162,000,000 represents temporary certificates issued by the Treasury to the New York bank and \$26,000,000 to three other reserve banks pending the collection of the quarterly installment of taxes.

Most of the Federal reserve banks report a larger volume of Federal reserve notes in circulation than a week ago, the principal increases being: New York \$14,200,000, Philadelphia \$6,700,000, Cleveland \$5,500,000, Chicago \$5,300,000, and Boston \$3,500,000.

A summary of changes in the principal assets and liabilities of the reserve banks during the week and the year ending December 15, 1926, follows:

	Increase or decrease during	
	Week	Year
Total reserves	+ \$2,600,000	+ \$142,100,000
Gold reserves	+ 2,300,000	+ 129,100,000
Total bills and securities	+105,400,000	+ 45,000,000
Bills discounted, total	- 42,400,000	- 56,800,000
Secured by U.S.Govt. obligations . .	- 26,300,000	- 21,200,000
Other bills discounted	- 16,100,000	- 35,600,000
Bills bought in open market	- 6,900,000	+ 31,400,000
U. S. Government securities, total . .	+154,700,000	+ 79,800,000
Bonds	- 10,000,000	- 27,000,000
Treasury notes	- 36,000,000	- 71,500,000
Certificates of indebtedness	+200,700,000	+ 178,300,000
Federal reserve notes in circulation . .	+ 36,300,000	+ 51,900,000
Total deposits	+103,900,000	+ 92,000,000
Members' reserve deposits	+122,900,000	+ 89,100,000
Government deposits	- 19,600,000	+ 200,000

RESOURCES AND LIABILITIES OF THE TWELVE FEDERAL RESERVE BANKS COMBINED

(In thousands of dollars)

	Dec. 15, 1926	Dec. 8, 1926	Dec. 10, 1925
RESOURCES			
Gold with Federal reserve agents	1,435,352	1,348,339	1,394,759
Gold redemption fund with U.S. Treasury	56,229	58,314	54,570
Gold held exclusively against F.R. notes	1,491,581	1,406,653	1,449,329
Gold settlement fund with F. R. Board	622,656	731,402	664,899
Gold and gold certificates held by banks	716,480	690,338	587,358
Total gold reserves	2,830,717	2,828,333	2,701,586
Reserves other than gold	121,331	121,060	108,358
Total reserves	2,952,048	2,949,453	2,809,944
Non-reserve cash	51,007	48,920	45,663
Bills discounted:			
Sec. by U.S. Government obligations	321,981	342,334	343,121
Other bills discounted	240,326	256,392	275,946
Total bills discounted	562,307	604,726	619,067
Bills bought in open market	384,125	390,989	352,692
U. S. Government securities:			
Bonds	46,428	56,436	73,451
Treasury notes	82,216	112,214	153,740
Certificates of indebtedness	349,595	148,933	171,280
Total U.S. Government securities	478,239	323,583	398,471
Other securities	2,564	2,563	3,195
Foreign loans on gold	-	-	8,798
Total bills and securities	1,427,235	1,321,801	1,382,223
Due from foreign banks	650	651	710
Uncollected items	894,699	669,517	952,147
Bank premises	60,148	60,125	61,607
All other resources	13,919	15,710	17,632
TOTAL RESOURCES	5,399,706	5,060,237	5,269,926
LIABILITIES			
F. R. notes in actual circulation	1,840,132	1,803,787	1,788,230
Deposits:			
Member bank - reserve account	2,353,883	2,230,971	2,264,797
Government	6,170	25,798	5,954
Foreign bank	6,204	13,459	8,398
Other deposits	26,223	18,361	21,356
Total deposits	2,392,480	2,288,589	2,300,505
Deferred availability items	797,018	604,185	827,072
Capital paid in	124,752	124,734	116,964
Surplus	220,310	220,310	217,837
All other liabilities	25,014	24,632	19,318
TOTAL LIABILITIES	5,399,706	5,066,237	5,269,926
Ratio of total reserves to deposit and F. R. note liabilities combined	69.7%	72.1%	68.7%
Contingent liability on bills purchased for foreign correspondents	50,491	48,837	50,967

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RESOURCES AND LIABILITIES OF THE FEDERAL RESERVE BANKS ON DECEMBER 15, 1926.
(In thousands of dollars)

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R E S O U R C E S

	Boston	New York	Phila.	Cleve.	Rich.	Atlanta	Chicago	St. Louis	Minn.	Kans. Cy.	Dallas	San Fran.	Total
Gold with Federal Reserve Agents	134,580	323,155	106,950	152,860	72,757	126,806	148,461	17,589	58,316	61,079	36,238	196,561	1,435,352
Gold redemption fund with U.S. Treas.	4,578	13,200	10,756	5,606	1,392	3,417	6,893	1,318	1,837	2,812	2,242	2,178	56,229
Gold held exclusively against													
U. S. notes	139,158	336,355	117,706	158,466	74,149	130,223	155,354	18,907	60,153	63,891	38,480	198,739	1,491,581
Gold settlement fund with F.R. Board	42,975	166,052	38,276	53,671	30,099	23,317	144,279	19,760	20,024	28,358	25,009	30,836	622,656
Gold and gold certifi. held by banks	35,988	450,142	28,703	47,316	10,881	4,326	65,091	13,171	6,893	6,057	8,620	39,292	716,480
Total gold reserves	218,121	952,549	184,685	259,453	115,129	157,866	364,724	51,838	87,070	98,306	72,109	268,867	2,830,717
Reserves other than gold	14,021	23,670	3,851	9,431	5,749	9,969	19,572	13,467	3,373	4,880	7,946	5,402	121,331
Total reserves	232,142	976,219	188,536	268,884	120,878	167,835	384,296	65,305	90,443	103,186	80,055	274,269	2,952,048
Non-reserve cash	7,357	12,937	779	3,905	2,618	3,631	8,948	3,178	1,034	2,289	1,646	2,685	51,007
Bills discounted:													
Secured by U.S. Govt. obligations	32,006	84,640	36,243	54,363	7,308	4,288	64,026	15,407	774	6,270	3,223	13,433	321,981
Other bills discounted	12,845	15,389	16,825	34,379	20,335	41,032	35,911	19,777	3,223	10,327	5,467	24,816	240,326
Total bills discounted	44,851	100,029	53,068	88,742	27,643	45,320	99,937	35,184	3,997	16,597	8,690	38,249	562,307
Bills bought in open market	35,436	109,189	25,233	35,354	12,252	25,324	51,146	12,849	12,969	19,467	14,346	30,560	384,125
U. S. Government securities:													
Bonds	329	1,322	585	1,121	1,191	267	19,988	2,076	7,568	8,589	3,105	87	46,428
Treasury notes	1,893	9,587	15,265	17,939	1,108	1,543	5,431	6,632	1,620	3,694	3,355	14,149	82,216
Certificates of indebtedness	6,758	202,686	13,845	15,613	4,485	1	33,229	13,861	6,881	14,736	14,241	23,259	349,595
Total U. S. Govt. securities	9,180	213,595	29,695	34,673	6,784	1,811	58,648	22,569	16,069	27,019	20,701	37,495	478,239
Other securities	-	-	2,000	-	-	-	-	-	564	-	-	-	2,564
Total bills and securities	89,467	422,813	109,996	158,769	46,679	72,455	209,731	70,602	33,599	63,083	43,737	106,304	1,427,235
Due from foreign banks	-	650	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	650
Uncollected items	83,654	222,861	84,488	86,272	73,221	36,466	110,194	43,735	17,974	49,827	32,907	53,100	894,699
Bank premises	4,008	16,740	1,605	7,409	2,364	2,992	7,935	4,111	2,940	4,668	1,793	3,523	60,148
All other resources	100	927	348	1,026	349	1,029	2,645	710	3,013	621	394	2,755	13,919
TOTAL RESOURCES	416,788	1,653,147	385,752	526,267	240,109	284,408	723,749	187,641	149,003	223,674	160,532	442,636	5,399,706

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RESOURCES AND LIABILITIES OF THE FEDERAL RESERVE BANKS ON DECEMBER 15, 1926.

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LIABILITIES

(In thousands of dollars)

	Boston	New York	Phila.	Cleve.	Rich.	Atlanta	Chicago	St. Louis	Minn.	Kans. Cy.	Dallas	San Fran.	Total
U.S. notes in actual circulation	159,769	403,856	139,655	224,448	85,703	165,454	236,608	47,131	67,888	72,033	49,232	188,355	1,840,132
Deposits:													
Member bank - reserve account	150,251	946,457	135,793	185,333	69,940	69,139	334,918	81,175	53,529	93,229	63,285	170,834	2,353,883
Government	249	933	338	560	1,311	334	811	418	506	411	102	197	6,170
Foreign bank	347	2,891	433	488	242	183	625	196	146	178	160	315	6,204
Other deposits	129	11,239	116	1,408	244	210	5,304	483	537	243	122	6,188	26,223
Total deposits	150,976	961,520	136,680	187,789	71,737	69,866	341,658	82,272	54,718	94,061	63,669	177,534	2,392,480
Deferred availability items	79,020	186,473	75,165	75,114	69,172	33,625	94,431	41,914	14,447	43,137	34,587	49,933	797,018
Capital paid in	8,800	36,419	12,605	13,618	6,098	5,031	16,685	5,302	3,074	4,185	4,302	8,633	124,752
Surplus	17,020	59,964	20,464	22,894	11,919	8,700	30,613	9,570	7,501	8,979	7,615	15,071	220,310
All other liabilities	1,203	4,915	1,183	2,404	1,480	1,732	3,754	1,452	1,375	1,279	1,127	3,110	25,014
TOTAL LIABILITIES	416,788	1,653,147	385,752	526,267	246,109	284,408	723,749	187,641	149,003	223,674	160,532	442,636	5,399,706
Reserve ratio (per cent)	74.7	71.5	68.2	65.2	76.8	71.3	66.5	50.5	73.8	62.1	70.9	75.0	69.7
Contingent liability on bills purchased for foreign correspondents	3,704	15,107	4,630	5,215	2,583	1,949	6,677	2,096	1,560	1,901	1,706	3,363	50,491
U.S. notes on hand (notes rec'd from U.S. Agent less notes in circulation)	43,798	97,636	28,295	21,465	12,338	30,734	35,958	4,583	4,892	14,173	7,461	41,910	348,243
FEDERAL RESERVE NOTE ACCOUNTS OF FEDERAL RESERVE AGENTS													
U.S. notes rec'd from Comptroller	256,467	786,812	202,750	283,653	125,920	258,543	452,483	72,234	88,423	115,416	74,120	277,265	2,994,086
U.S. notes held by U. S. Agent	47,900	285,320	34,800	37,740	27,879	62,355	179,917	20,520	15,643	29,210	17,427	47,000	805,711
U.S. notes issued to U.S. Bank	208,567	501,492	167,950	245,913	98,041	196,188	272,566	51,714	72,780	86,206	56,693	230,265	2,188,375
Collateral held as security for U.S. notes issued to U.S. Bank:													
Gold and gold certificates	35,300	168,697	-	8,780	28,805	15,222	-	7,620	13,507	-	18,343	10,000	306,274
Gold redemption fund	10,280	23,458	8,973	14,080	5,952	8,584	2,817	1,669	809	4,219	4,895	19,092	104,828
Gold fund - U. S. Board	89,000	131,000	97,977	130,000	38,000	103,000	145,644	8,300	44,000	56,860	13,000	167,469	1,024,250
Eligible paper	80,287	196,215	70,457	121,270	37,945	70,556	150,867	47,961	16,680	35,914	22,948	68,093	519,193
Total collateral	214,867	519,370	177,407	274,130	110,702	197,362	299,328	65,550	74,990	96,993	59,186	264,634	2,354,545

MATURITY DISTRIBUTION OF BILLS, CERTIFICATES OF INDEBTEDNESS AND MUNICIPAL WARRANTS

	Within 15 days	16 to 30 days	31 to 60 days	61 to 90 days	91 days to 6 months	Over 6 months	Total
Bills discounted	446,952	39,153	42,924	26,096	6,654	528	562,307
Bills bought in open market	142,583	77,340	97,685	59,468	7,049	-	384,125
Certificates of indebtedness	188,000	-	-	1	127,717	33,877	349,595
Municipal warrants	-	-	64	-	-	-	64