

June 30, 1956

Dear Mr. Irons:

With the resignation of Mr. Allan Sproul from the Presidency of the Federal Reserve Bank of New York, and his return to California, has come his decision that he can no longer carry on the active chairmanship of the Committee on the History of the Federal Reserve System.

Under these circumstances, and with great regret at losing so valuable a chairman, the Committee has decided to accept the offered hospitality of the Brookings Institution and to move its office and its research activities to Washington. A new chairman has not yet been chosen, but the work will go forward there under the broad supervision of the President of the Brookings Institution, Dr. Robert D. Calkins, who is also an active member of this Committee.

As my own home is in New York City, this move necessarily marks the severance of my connection with the Committee in the capacity of its Research Director. I think you know how much I have enjoyed this inquiry into the history of the System, and particularly that part which brought me into contact with the Federal Reserve Bank of Dallas. It is good to know that we can continue to look forward with great interest to the result of future research to follow under the scholarly auspices of Brookings.

For much courtesy shown to me in Dallas, I want to thank you most warmly. You and the liaison officer appointed there, with other members of your staff, have been continually kind and cooperative. I am sure that that cooperation will be extended to my successor at Brookings.

We should be grateful if you would continue to send correspondence and printed material to this Committee, but in care of the Brookings Institution, 722 Jackson Place, N. W., Washington 6, D. C. Letters should, until further notice, be addressed there to Dr. Robert Calkins in person.

Very sincerely yours,

Mildred Adams

Mr. Watrous Irons  
President  
Federal Reserve Bank of Dallas  
Dallas, Texas

MAtkm

April 9, 1956

Dear Mr. Rice:

We have received your letter of April 5th with its biographical information on the late Mr. Sam Taub, former director of the Houston branch of the Federal Reserve Bank of Dallas. We are continually grateful to you for helping us to keep our records up to date.

Sincerely yours,

Mildred Adams

Mr. Morgan H. Rice  
Vice President and Secretary  
of the Board  
Federal Reserve Bank  
Dallas 13, Texas



MORGAN H. RICE  
VICE PRESIDENT AND  
SECRETARY OF THE BOARD

FEDERAL RESERVE BANK  
OF DALLAS

RECEIVED

APR 9 1956

COMMITTEE ON THE HISTORY  
OF THE  
FEDERAL RESERVE SYSTEM

April 5, 1956

Miss Mildred Adams, Executive Director  
Committee on the History of the  
Federal Reserve System  
33 Liberty Street  
New York 45, New York

Dear Miss Adams:

In the event your biographical information on Mr. Sam Taub, former director of the Houston Branch of the Federal Reserve Bank of Dallas, is incomplete, there is attached an extract from The Texas Bankers Record for March 1956 which was published shortly after his death.

Sincerely yours,

Morgan H. Rice  
Secretary of the Board

Attachment

GENTRY, W. D.

April 9, 1956

Dear Mr. Gentry:

Thanks so much for sending us the latest set of organization charts for the Federal Reserve Bank of Dallas and its branches. We are glad to be kept abreast of changes and additions in personnel and positions.

Sincerely yours,

Mildred Adams

Mr. W. D. Gentry  
First Vice President  
Federal Reserve Bank  
Dallas 13, Texas



FEDERAL RESERVE BANK  
OF DALLAS

W. D. GENTRY  
FIRST VICE PRESIDENT

RECEIVED

April 5, 1956

APR 9 1956

COMMITTEE ON THE HISTORY  
OF THE  
FEDERAL RESERVE SYSTEM

Miss Mildred Adams, Executive Director  
Committee on the History of the  
Federal Reserve System  
33 Liberty Street  
New York 45, N. Y.

Dear Miss Adams:

We are enclosing for your information and files  
a set of the organization charts for this bank and its  
branches, revised as of March 1, 1956.

Yours very truly,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "W. D. Gentry".

W. D. Gentry  
First Vice President

Enclosures

January 9, 1956

Dear Mr. Rice:

Miss Adams has asked me to thank you for sending the biographical information on John T. Scott, former director of the Federal Reserve Bank of Dallas. Each bit of data helps us, and we are most grateful to you for keeping us informed on matters of interest to this Committee.

Sincerely yours,

Irma Burstein  
Assistant

Mr. Morgan H. Rice  
Vice President and Secretary  
of the Board  
Federal Reserve Bank  
Dallas 13, Texas

December 27, 1955

Dear Mr. Rice:

Thanks so much for sending us the listing of Vice Presidents and Deputy Governors of the Federal Reserve Bank of Dallas since its inception. This will be of great help in filling out our records, and we will let you know if, in checking, we find the need for further information on the four men you mention or any others. We are most appreciative of your aid in this as in all other matters.

May I add my wishes for a very happy New Year.

Very sincerely yours,

Mildred Adams

Mr. Morgan H. Rice  
Vice President and Secretary  
of the Board  
Federal Reserve Bank  
Dallas 13, Texas

October 24, 1955

Dear Mr. Rice:

In the process of completing our file on men who have served as Federal Reserve Bank officers, we would be most grateful for your further aid.

Our listing of Vice Presidents (and Deputy Governors) of the Federal Reserve Bank of Dallas over the years still has holes in it. Thanks to your cooperation and that of Miss Post, we have information on many of them, but we need some way of checking those who are still missing. Would you, therefore, be kind enough to send us a list of all Vice Presidents (and Deputy Governors) who have served in the Dallas Bank since the beginning? We would like to have with their names the dates of their service in the Bank, and also the dates of their various officerships. This will enable us to check off those for whom our information is already complete and to start the search for biographic data on those now missing in our records.

One point that has given us trouble is the office of Cashier. We have found that in some Federal Reserve Banks the Cashier is a Vice President (in which case we want to include him as such); in other banks the office of Cashier ranks below a Vice Presidency. This practice may have varied with the years, but our present interest is in only those who have ranked or do rank as Vice Presidents (or Deputy Governors).

There is no immediate rush on this, but we would be grateful if you could send us the requested information within the next two or three weeks if possible.

Meanwhile may we send warm thanks for your continued assistance. It is of the greatest help and most genuinely appreciated.

Sincerely yours,

Mildred Adams

Mr. Morgan H. Rice  
Vice President  
Federal Reserve Bank  
Dallas 13, Texas



October 19, 1955

Dear Mr. Rice:

As liaison officer appointed by the Federal Reserve Bank of Dallas to deal with this Committee, you probably know that one of our most difficult problems has been that of preparing a list of specific records which, chosen from the mass of material handled in the Reserve Bank, can be labelled as having historical value and therefore being worthy of long retention.

After a series of visits made to the twelve regional banks and of consultations kindly made possible during those visits, we realize that some of the valuable early material has already been discarded in some of the Federal Reserve Banks and is lost to us. The best we can hope is that what is still left will be retained, whether it is in general "uncurrent" files, or in departmental files, or in the private files of older officers.

In the above connection, the Subcommittee on Destruction of Records which, I understand, functions under the Committee on Miscellaneous Operations of the Conference of Presidents, was given the assignment of conferring with the staff of this Committee with a view of developing guides and standards for the preservation of historical material by the Federal Reserve Banks.

At the meeting of the Subcommittee held in New York on October 5-7, 1955, I conferred with the members of the Subcommittee and we then developed jointly the attached list of records and other papers which is suggestive of the types of material our Committee is seeking to preserve for historical purposes.

While the Subcommittee has informed me that the material here referred to will form a part of its next report to the Committee on Miscellaneous Operations, I am hopeful that, in the meantime, such material will prove helpful to you in deciding upon the propriety of the disposal of particular records.

Very truly yours,

Mildred Adams

Mr. Morgan H. Rice  
Vice President  
Federal Reserve Bank  
Dallas 13, Texas

Enc.

August 24, 1955

Dear Miss Post:

May I thank you in one letter for the three subdivisions of data which you sent us on August 17th and for the letters which accompanied them. We are glad to have information about four men not previously located, and we are delighted to have replies to questionnaires on library and files respectively.

May I reassure you that this latter group of data is still very valuable and that it did come in time to be included in my report.

I gathered considerable information while I was in Dallas earlier in the spring, but it was not complete, and this admirably supplements what I had.

Therefore my gratitude to you and my best greetings to Mr. Rice, Miss Wilkerson, and other friends whom I hope to see again.

Cordially yours,

Mildred Adams

Miss Marvina Post  
Secretary to Morgan H. Rice  
Federal Reserve Bank of Dallas  
Dallas 13, Texas



MORGAN H. RICE  
VICE PRESIDENT AND  
SECRETARY OF THE BOARD

FEDERAL RESERVE BANK  
OF DALLAS

RECEIVED

AUG 18 1955

COMMITTEE ON THE HISTORY  
OF THE  
FEDERAL RESERVE SYSTEM

August 17, 1955

Miss Mildred Adams, Executive Director  
Committee on the History of the  
Federal Reserve System  
33 Liberty Street  
New York 45, New York

Dear Miss Adams:

On April 22, 1955, I wrote you and attached additional information regarding certain men, former officials of the Federal Reserve Bank of Dallas, which I had been able to locate.

With respect to the information requested about men which had not then been located, I have the dates of death of the following:

- Brown, E. R. (born 1868 - died January 25, 1942) ✓
- Merritt, James Hansen (born 1881 - died November 22, 1949) ✓
- Newsome, W. B. (born 1852 - died July 13, 1929, in California) ✓
- Wooten, Horace O. (born 1865 - died December 2, 1947) ✓

We are still unable to give you the death dates of Alexander S. Cleveland and James P. Williams. As soon as this information, as well as the biographical information which we were lacking in April, is located, we will advise you.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Marvina Post".

(Miss) Marvina Post  
Secretary to  
Morgan H. Rice



MORGAN H. RICE  
VICE PRESIDENT AND  
SECRETARY OF THE BOARD

FEDERAL RESERVE BANK  
OF DALLAS

RECEIVED

AUG 18 1955

COMMITTEE ON THE HISTORY  
OF THE  
FEDERAL RESERVE SYSTEM

August 17, 1955

Miss Mildred Adams, Executive Director  
Committee on the History of the  
Federal Reserve System  
33 Liberty Street  
New York 45, New York

Dear Miss Adams:

Your letter to Mr. Rice dated April 29, 1955, I'm embarrassed to say, became buried in some of my files before I left for vacation and has just been uncovered.

Miss Wilkerson, our Librarian, has gone over the "Preliminary Questionnaire on Federal Reserve Bank Archival Material" and made some additions. I have also indicated additional information on the questionnaire. A supplemental sheet has been attached to Page 1. We have retained the carbon copy of the questionnaire and supplement for our files.

I trust that the data will reach you in time to be of some value in working up a corrected version.

Sincerely yours,

(Miss) Marvina Post  
Secretary to  
Morgan H. Rice

Enclosure



MORGAN H. RICE  
VICE PRESIDENT AND  
SECRETARY OF THE BOARD

FEDERAL RESERVE BANK  
OF DALLAS

RECEIVED

AUG 18 1955

COMMITTEE ON THE HISTORY  
OF THE  
FEDERAL RESERVE SYSTEM

August 17, 1955

Miss Mildred Adams, Executive Director  
Committee on the History of the  
Federal Reserve System  
33 Liberty Street  
New York 45, New York

Dear Miss Adams:

Upon my return to the office from vacation  
your letter of July 27, 1955, to Mr. Morgan H. Rice,  
and Mrs. Davenport's reply of August 2 were brought  
to my attention.

The skeleton questionnaire on files which  
you requested that we fill out has been completed  
and is enclosed.

Sincerely yours,

*Marvina Post*

(Miss) Marvina Post  
Secretary to  
Morgan H. Rice

Enclosure



FEDERAL RESERVE BANK  
OF DALLAS

MORGAN H. RICE  
VICE PRESIDENT AND  
SECRETARY OF THE BOARD

RECEIVED

AUG 5 1955

August 2, 1955

COMMITTEE ON THE HISTORY  
OF THE  
FEDERAL RESERVE SYSTEM

Miss Mildred Adams  
Executive Director  
Committee on the History of  
the Federal Reserve System  
33 Liberty Street  
New York 45, New York

Dear Miss Adams:

Reference is made to your letter of  
July 27 addressed to Mr. Rice.

Mr. Rice is on vacation during the month  
of August, and Miss Post is scheduled to return  
from her vacation this Friday. As soon as she re-  
turns, we will attempt to collect the information  
you have requested and return the form to you as  
soon as possible.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Patti A. Davenport".

(Mrs.) Patti A. Davenport  
Secretary to Mr. Rice

July 27, 1955

Dear Mr. Rice:

Back in February, Mr. Sproul wrote to Dr. Irons asking for the appointing of an officer with whom the staff of this Committee could establish liaison, and who would "act as guide to the supervisor of your files, your custodian of storage records, your librarian, officers, department heads, or anyone else who might have questions about the destruction of records, reports or studies in which the Committee may have an interest." We understand that Dr. Irons asked you to accept this assignment.

In the intervening months we have been trying to find some basis for collecting data on the files and file material which the various banks keep, and on the patterns by which they discard. We have finally decided that we need first to know certain basic facts about filing practices in the various banks.

We have therefore worked out a skeleton questionnaire on files which will, with your cooperation, give us a starting point on this inquiry. If you would be kind enough to have its blank spaces filled and the questionnaire returned (by August 19th, if that is not asking too much in a vacation period), we will have the basis for a better understanding of what material of historical value we can and cannot hope to find preserved in your files.

The Committee would want me to thank you in advance for your kind cooperation in this matter.

Very sincerely yours,

Mildred Adams

Mr. Morgan H. Rice  
Federal Reserve Bank  
Dallas 13, Texas

Enc.

May 13, 1955

Mr. Morgan H. Rice  
Federal Reserve Bank of Dallas  
Dallas, Texas

Dear Mr. Rice:

That was a slip of memory which mixed up two men when I said I had not gotten to see Mr. Coleman. It was Mr. Gilbert that I had in mind. My apologies to both of them and to you.

You may be interested to know that I have had a most helpful letter from Mr. Gilbert and shall be writing him in reply.

Thank you so much for setting this straight.

Cordially,

Mildred Adams





MORGAN H. RICE  
VICE PRESIDENT AND  
SECRETARY OF THE BOARD

FEDERAL RESERVE BANK  
OF DALLAS

RECEIVED

MAY 13 1955

COMMITTEE ON THE HISTORY  
OF THE  
FEDERAL RESERVE SYSTEM

May 10, 1955

Miss Mildred Adams  
Executive Director  
Committee on the History of the  
Federal Reserve System  
33 Liberty Street  
New York 45, New York

Dear Miss Adams:

I received your letter of May 9, 1955,  
today. In it you mentioned the fact that you did  
not get to see Mr. R. B. Coleman.

You may recall that Mr. Coleman came in  
from his ranch and had lunch with us one day during  
the week you were here at the Federal Reserve Bank  
of Dallas.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Morgan H. Rice".

Morgan H. Rice  
Vice President

May 9, 1955

Dear Mr. Rice:

Thanks for the retirement date of Mr. R. B. Coleman, whom I much regret missing when I was in Dallas. If he should come to New York, I do hope he might be willing to stop and talk a bit about early days.

And double thanks for the memorandum prepared by Mr. Gentry for the Minutes of the Board of Directors of the Houston branch held on March 21, 1933. With its careful data on the national, the New York and the Dallas district situation, it gives us a very valuable reference aid for that moment in history.

We will undoubtedly be asking for other material later. Meanwhile, if anything comes your way which sheds light on early Federal Reserve experience in the 11th district, we hope you will let us know. "Early" means of course 1914-33 to us, and even going back to 1911 when the National Monetary Commission reported on pre-Federal Reserve Banking.

My thanks again, and best greetings.

Cordially yours,

Mildred Adams

Mr. Morgan Rice  
Vice President in charge  
of Research  
Federal Reserve Bank  
Dallas 13, Texas



MORGAN H. RICE  
VICE PRESIDENT AND  
SECRETARY OF THE BOARD

FEDERAL RESERVE BANK  
OF DALLAS

RECEIVED

MAY 9 1955

COMMITTEE ON THE HISTORY  
OF THE  
FEDERAL RESERVE SYSTEM  
May 5, 1955

Miss Mildred Adams  
Executive Director  
Committee on the History of  
the Federal Reserve System  
33 Liberty Street  
New York 45, New York

Dear Miss Adams:

I am sorry to have delayed so long in answering your letter of April 19, but we have just now been able to get the information you requested.

Mr. R. B. Coleman retired from this bank at the close of business August 31, 1953. As you will recall, he had been with the bank since the early part of 1915.

There is enclosed an extract from the minutes of the meeting of the Board of Directors of the Houston Branch of the Federal Reserve Bank of Dallas held March 21, 1933, which contains a summary of developments in connection with the banking holiday that Mr. Gentry presented to the Board at that time.

I assure you that it is a pleasure to furnish you this information.

Cordially yours,

Morgan H. Rice  
Vice President

Enclosure



WATROUS H. IRONS  
PRESIDENT

FEDERAL RESERVE BANK  
OF DALLAS

RECEIVED

APR 20 1955

COMMITTEE ON THE HISTORY  
OF THE  
FEDERAL RESERVE SYSTEM  
April 19, 1955

Miss Mildred Adams  
Executive Director  
Committee on the History of  
the Federal Reserve System  
33 Liberty Street  
New York 45, New York

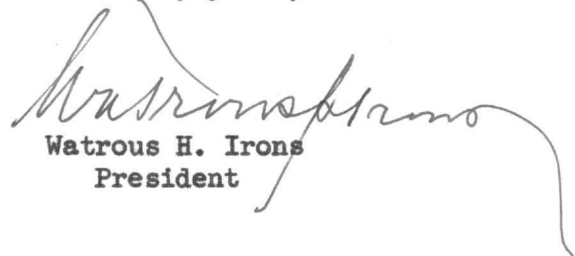
Dear Miss Adams:

Thanks so much for your nice letter of April 13. We here at the bank were delighted that you were able to visit Dallas, and we do hope that we were successful in making your stay pleasant and perhaps a bit useful from the standpoint of your study.

I have talked with some of my associates briefly regarding the possibility of our putting together - from the standpoint of our own interests - some of the history of this bank. I have asked them to think about it and we plan to give it further consideration within a very short time. I will let you know of any developments along this line.

With cordial regards.

Sincerely yours,



Watrous H. Irons  
President

April 29, 1955

Dear Mr. Rice:

When I made that pleasant visit to Dallas late in March, I think you and I discussed the preliminary questionnaire represented by the enclosed blue sheets. As I talked to various people I made notes, and I am now sending you back a copy of the filled-in questionnaire for any corrections you may want to make or additional data you may be able to supply. We will be glad to incorporate both kinds in a corrected version.

Thanks ever so much for your good help in this.

Cordially yours,

Mildred Adams

Mr. Morgan Rice  
Vice President in Charge  
of Research  
Federal Reserve Bank  
Dallas 13, Texas

Enc.

April 27, 1955

Dear Miss Post:

The cards which you had kept in the hope of finding additional information came yesterday, and again I send you my warmest thanks for your kindness in digging out these details. It is always surprising how little that is definite one knows about the people that rank as one's good friends, and in the case of men who can no longer be asked, it sometimes becomes absurdly difficult to get this key data. Dallas is to be congratulated on having so good a searcher.

We will be looking forward to further information when it reaches you. Meantime, my thanks again and my warm greetings to your associates.

Cordially yours,

Mildred Adams

Miss Marvina Post  
Secretarys' Office  
Federal Reserve Bank  
Dallas 13, Texas



MORGAN H. RICE  
VICE PRESIDENT AND  
SECRETARY OF THE BOARD

FEDERAL RESERVE BANK  
OF DALLAS

RECEIVED

APR 25 1955

COMMITTEE ON THE HISTORY  
OF THE  
FEDERAL RESERVE SYSTEM

April 22, 1955

Miss Mildred Adams, Executive Director  
Committee on the History of the  
Federal Reserve System  
33 Liberty Street  
New York 45, New York

Dear Miss Adams:

The cards which I have been holding, in the hopes that additional information might be located regarding the men indicated thereon, are enclosed. The information which I am sending you still does not complete all of the material which you requested.

You will note on one statement which is attached to this letter information regarding several men. I am returning the list of men on which you wanted "death dates," in the event the men are not now living; it is still incomplete. On the other statement which is attached, I have indicated the information which has not been located. I shall keep it before me so that further searches may be made.

Your letter to Mr. Rice regarding your visit with Mr. Coleman and Mr. Gentry's Minute of the Houston Branch came today. Mr. Rice is out of the City today and will be involved in a conference through Wednesday of next week. We will get the requested information to you just as soon as he has a moment of free time.

It was good to receive your letter of April 13, 1955, and to know that the first group of cards was received in order.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Marvina Post".

(Miss) Marvina Post  
Secretary to  
Morgan H. Rice

Enclosures

April 19, 1955

Dear Mr. Rice:

In going through the notes of my most interesting visit to the Federal Reserve Bank of Dallas, I find two details which need to be filled out, and I am therefore writing at once to you.

In the first place, we seem to have no date for the retirement of Mr. R. B. Coleman, who so kindly came in from his ranch to talk with me that noon. I should have asked you for this while in Dallas, but there was so much other information I needed that I forgot to leave the card with Miss Post.

In the second place, when I talked with Mr. Gentry, I made a note that he had written a Minute for the Houston bank concerning the bank holiday of 1933. That time the conversation flowed so fast that I had no chance to ask for it when he spoke of it, but in re-reading the note, I realize that this might be very important for us.

I wonder whether that Minute might be in such shape that we could borrow it. If not, could we have a note as to where it is filed and under what title, so that we might make a record of it for our bibliography. An historian is going to want to consult it, and we do not want to lose track of the fact that it exists.

I am very grateful to you for your aid in this as in other details.

Cordially yours,

Mildred Adams

Mr. Morgan Rice  
Vice President in charge of  
Research  
Federal Reserve Bank  
Dallas 13, Texas



April 15, 1955

Dear Miss Thompson:

Your story of my visit to Dallas arrived this morning, and I am hastening to send it back to you with a few minor changes. It is a good story and strikes exactly the balance which is most useful to the Committee's work. I congratulate you on having caught it so well.

Cordially yours,

Mildred Adams

Miss Jean Thompson  
Editor, ITEMS  
Federal Reserve Bank  
Dallas 13, Texas

Enc.

April 13, 1955

Dear Miss Post:

It was wonderful to find most of the Dallas cards waiting when I got back from San Francisco. Your fashion of typing on slips of paper, and enclosing clippings when you had them, is exactly what I had hoped you would do. It makes the transfer to our own cards so easy that my assistant, Mrs. Singer, says, "Please tell Miss Post this is just perfect!" I forward her enthusiastic thanks with my own.

New York is cold and rainy, with trees just budding and few flowers venturing to show their faces. It makes my memories of that lovely ride in Dallas even more vivid and alluring.

Please give my warm greetings to Mr. Rice, Miss Wilkerson and your co-workers who were so kind. You will want to know that the Nieman Marcus Easter egg made an enormous hit with my Austin hostess.

And thanks again for all your kind aid in this project.

Cordially yours,

Mildred Adams

Miss Marvina Post  
Secretary to Mr. Rice  
Federal Reserve Bank  
Dallas 13, Texas

April 13, 1955

Dear Dr. Irons:

Now that I am back in New York with cold gray clouds instead of Dallas sunshine, I do want to say again how grateful I am for the hospitality and courtesy which made my way so pleasant in Dallas. My three-day visit there was a particularly good one, and in no small measure because of the time and thought which you and your officers so kindly devoted to my questions.

Obviously, there are limits to what the most eager student can learn in three days, but I did feel that this first glimpse of the Dallas Bank brought with it, thanks to you all, at least the beginning of understanding of the forces which give the Eleventh District so interesting a character. I shall hope to follow through at a later date.

Meanwhile, we shall be looking forward to the further memories of past times which you are going to request of your officers. The Committee would want me to extend their thanks as well as my own to you for all of this.

Cordially yours,

Mildred Adams

Dr. Watrous Irons, President  
Federal Reserve Bank  
Dallas 13, Texas

THOMPSON, Jean

FEDERAL RESERVE BANK OF DALLAS  
DALLAS 13, TEXAS

April 12, 1955

RECEIVED

APR 15 1955

COMMITTEE ON THE HISTORY  
OF THE  
FEDERAL RESERVE SYSTEM

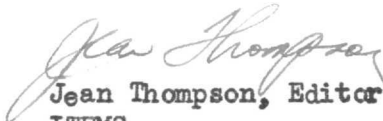
Miss Mildred Adams  
% C. E. Earhart, President  
Federal Reserve Bank  
San Francisco, California

Dear Miss Adams:

I regret the delay in getting this story to you, but several things hindered me from writing it soon after I talked with you. I hope it will reach you before you leave the San Francisco bank, so there will be no further delay.

Please feel free to make any corrections or suggestions in regard to the story. I would appreciate it if you would return the story to me as soon as possible, as my deadline is April 20 for the next issue of ITEMS.

Very truly yours,

  
Jean Thompson, Editor  
ITEMS

**FEDERAL RESERVE BANK  
RECEIVED OF DALLAS**

**APR 11 1955**

**COMMITTEE ON THE HISTORY  
OF THE  
FEDERAL RESERVE SYSTEM**

April 8, 1955

Miss Mildred Adams, Executive Director  
Committee on the History of the  
Federal Reserve System  
33 Liberty Street  
New York 45, New York

Dear Miss Adams:

There are enclosed most of the cards that you left with me to which I have attached the information that I have been able to find on the respective men.

In view of the great amount of work which descended upon us the latter part of this week, I have not quite completed my part of the job. Therefore, the cards which I still need to work on are being retained here. They will be forwarded on to you just as soon as I have completed them.

It was a delightful pleasure meeting and working with you while you were here at the Dallas Federal Reserve Bank. You will be hearing from me again soon, but do not hesitate to call on me at any time for additional information as you may need it.

Sincerely yours,



(Miss) Marvina Post  
Secretary to  
Morgan H. Rice

Enclosures

CLASS OF SERVICE

This is a full-rate Telegram or Cablegram unless its deferred character is indicated by a suitable symbol above or preceding the address.

# WESTERN UNION

W. P. MARSHALL, PRESIDENT

SYMBOLS

DL=Day Letter  
 NL=Night Letter  
 LT=Int'l Letter Telegram  
 VLT=Int'l Victory Ltr.

(17) EX-1

1935 MAR 29 4 31  
 DALLAS TEXAS

The filing time shown in the date line on telegrams and day letters is STANDARD TIME at point of origin. Time of receipt is STANDARD TIME at point of destination

DB 27 NSD 283

NS CDV 086 PD=WUX CD NEW YORK NY 29 418PME=

MISS MILDRED ADAMS=

CARE BAKER HOTEL DAL=

W. DOW GENTRY, FIRST VICE PRESIDENT STOP R R GILBERT,  
 NOW PRESIDENT REPUBLIC BANK STOP MR. TINKLE, IN INSOLVENT  
 BANK DIVISION IN TWENTIES STOP R. L. VAN ZANDT IF STILL  
 ALIVE STOP REED DOLAN, NOW CHIEF NATIONAL BANK EXAMINER  
 STOP LETTER FOLLOWS GOOD HUNTING=

ELLEN SINGER FEDERAL RESERVE BANK=



MORGAN H. RICE  
VICE PRESIDENT AND  
SECRETARY OF THE BOARD

FEDERAL RESERVE BANK  
OF DALLAS

RECEIVED

MAR 24 1955

COMMITTEE ON THE HISTORY  
OF THE  
FEDERAL RESERVE SYSTEM

March 23, 1955

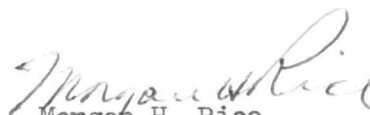
Miss Mildred Adams, Executive Director  
Committee on the History of the  
Federal Reserve System  
33 Liberty Street  
New York 45, New York

Dear Miss Adams:

In response to your letter of March 21, 1955,  
we have made a reservation for you at the Baker Hotel,  
Dallas, for a single room with bath to be occupied  
Tuesday, March 29, and held through Friday afternoon,  
April 1.

We shall look forward with great pleasure  
to having you with us, and we hope that we can make  
your stay pleasant and profitable.

Cordially yours,

  
Morgan H. Rice  
Vice President

WILKERSON, Mabel

FEDERAL RESERVE BANK  
OF DALLAS

MAR 28 1955

DALLAS, TEXAS

COMMITTEE ON THE HISTORY OF THE  
FEDERAL RESERVE SYSTEM  
March 21, 1955

Miss Marguerite Burnett, Research Associate  
Committee on the History of  
The Federal Reserve System  
33 Liberty Street  
New York 45, New York

Dear Marguerite:

I am sending you a copy of the latest edition of our Organization Chart, dated January 1, 1955. I am also sending a list of charts which are on file here at the Bank. I have no idea if it is complete, but there seems to be quite a number of them, so I am hopeful that will furnish the information you need.

It is so nice that you will meet with the Financial Group again this year, and I am happy that you have been granted permission to go. I hope you can be with the Fed group, as well. I have no idea that I can go. It is felt that I cannot be spared for the week it would take for me to attend, and that when I attend the Texas Chapter meetings, I have done my share of attending meetings. I have not called the meeting to their attention this year, for the entire effort seems to be to reduce expenses, not add new ones.

Give the group my warmest regards. There's nothing I'd like more than to be with them again. Best wishes for a good meeting, and a profitable one.

Sincerely,

*Mabel Wilkerson*

Mabel Wilkerson  
Librarian

P.S. I'm looking forward to Miss Adams' visit next week.



RECEIVED

MAR 28 1955

COMMITTEE ON THE HISTORY  
OF THE  
FEDERAL RESERVE SYSTEM

ORGANIZATION CHARTS  
FEDERAL RESERVE BANK OF DALLAS  
(HEAD OFFICE)

<u>Date</u>	<u>Where Located</u>
January 1, 1955	Files of Jas. A. Parker, Director of Personnel
May 1, 1954	Files of Jas. A. Parker, Director of Personnel
July 15, 1952	Files of Jas. A. Parker, Director of Personnel
January 10, 1952	Files of Jas. A. Parker, Director of Personnel
January 29, 1951	Files of Jas. A. Parker, Director of Personnel
May 15, 1950	Files of Jas. A. Parker, Director of Personnel
November 1, 1949	Files of Jas. A. Parker, Director of Personnel
March 15, 1948	Files of Jas. A. Parker, Director of Personnel
March 18, 1947	Files of Jas. A. Parker, Director of Personnel
June 1, 1946	Files of Jas. A. Parker, Director of Personnel
July 1, 1945	Files of Jas. A. Parker, Director of Personnel
December 16, 1944	Files of Jas. A. Parker, Director of Personnel
April 15, 1944	Files of Jas. A. Parker, Director of Personnel
December 6, 1943	Archives - Service Department
July 1, 1943	Archives - Service Department
February 28, 1942	Archives - Service Department
May 1, 1942	Archives - Service Department
June 16, 1939	Files of Jas. A. Parker, Director of Personnel
October 1, 1936	Archives - Service Department
January 1, 1935	Files of Jas. A. Parker, Director of Personnel
July 1, 1933	Archives - Service Department
January 1, 1932	Archives - Service Department
February 1, 1930	Archives - Service Department
February 1, 1928	Archives - Service Department
August 1, 1927	Archives - Service Department
February 1, 1926	Archives - Service Department
March 17, 1924	Archives - Service Department

March 21, 1955

Mr. Morgan H. Rice  
Federal Reserve Bank of Dallas  
Dallas 13, Texas

Dear Mr. Rice:

Dr. Irons suggested that you would be able to help me in the matter of a hotel reservation for my stay in Dallas. I expect to arrive on Tuesday, March 29th, at about 1:00 p.m. and shall stay until late afternoon on Friday, April 1st. Since I know nothing of hotels in Dallas, though the Baker was recently recommended to me, may I leave the choice of hotel as well as the reservation in your hands? I should like to have a single room with bath.

Will you be good enough to let me know at this office what reservations have been made.

With gratitude for your efforts in my behalf,

Very sincerely yours,

Mildred Adams

March 11, 1955

Dear Dr. Irons:

Thank you so much for your cordial letter of March 7th welcoming me to Dallas during the week of March 28th. I shall probably fly down on Tuesday, the 29th, and I will take advantage of your suggestion to get in touch with Mr. Rice about hotel reservations.

Very sincerely yours,

Mildred Adams

Dr. Watrous H. Irons  
President  
Federal Reserve Bank  
Dallas 13, Texas

March 10, 1955

Miss Mabel Wilkerson, Librarian  
Federal Reserve Bank of Dallas  
Dallas, 13, Texas.

Dear Mabel:

May I trouble you to obtain for us a 1955 edition of your Organization Chart, if and when issued? If possible, could you have our Committee placed on the permanent mailing list for these charts so that future editions may be sent to us automatically as issued. Then I shall not need to bother you again.

At your convenience we should appreciate your reporting to us how extensive a series your Bank has on hand of previous editions of the Organization Chart, listing the dates of issue and stating where they are filed.

Is there any chance of your attending the S. L. A. Convention in Detroit in June? I have just been given permission to attend on behalf of the Committee in order to take part in the panel discussion on archives in the Financial Group program. I am hoping to see a lot of the Federal Reserve librarians there.

Sincerely yours,



Marguerite Burnett  
Research Associate



WATROUS H. IRONS  
PRESIDENT

FEDERAL RESERVE BANK  
OF DALLAS

MAR 10 1955

COMMITTEE ON THE HISTORY  
OF THE  
FEDERAL RESERVE SYSTEM

March 7, 1955

Miss Mildred Adams, Research Director  
Committee on the History of the  
Federal Reserve System  
33 Liberty Street  
New York 45, New York

Dear Miss Adams:

In response to your letter of March 3, we would be very happy for you to visit the Dallas bank during the week of March 28 in connection with your study on the history of the Federal Reserve System.

I will be in the city that week, and I am advised that Mr. Rice and most of our other officers also are planning to be in the bank at that time.

If we can help you in any way in connection with your arrangements for the trip or hotel reservations while here in Dallas, I suggest that you advise Mr. Rice and I am sure that he would be glad to make the necessary arrangements.

Cordially yours,

Watrous H. Irons  
President

March 3, 1955

Dear Dr. Irons:

Ever since Mr. Sproul first wrote you about this project in the spring of 1954, I have been hoping to visit the Federal Reserve Bank of Dallas, but for various reasons my steps have been confined to the banks in the north and east. Now I am hoping to break that pattern and, if it is convenient for you, to come to Dallas at the end of March for perhaps three days.

These three-day visits to regional banks are proving very valuable to this study. Despite the shortness of the time, they do make it possible to get a sense of the bank in operation, to meet the President and the senior officers in order to answer questions about this history project on which the Committee is engaged, to talk with the research officer, and to fill in gaps in the data which has been sent us, to meet the file clerk and the librarian in order to find out how archives (present or future) are kept, sometimes to talk with specially knowledgeable retired officers whose memories of older days are clear and interesting.

Dallas will have a great deal of individual value to contribute to this study. Earlier correspondence with Mr. Rice and Mr. Shuford and a reading of the material already sent us has suggested special angles.

What is at the moment most important is to make sure that you yourself are planning to be in Dallas during the week of March 28th and that it will be convenient to receive me, or if that week is difficult, the next one.

I shall be waiting for word from you.

Very sincerely yours,

Mildred Adams

Dr. Watrous H. Irons, President  
Federal Reserve Bank of Dallas  
Dallas 13, Texas

*Miss Adams  
Miss Ragan*



FEDERAL RESERVE BANK  
OF DALLAS

WATROUS H. IRONS  
PRESIDENT

February 15, 1955

Mr. Allan Sproul, Chairman  
Committee on the History of the  
Federal Reserve System  
Federal Reserve Bank of New York  
New York 45, N. Y.

Dear Mr. Sproul:

In response to your letter of February 11 relating to the work of the Committee on the History of the Federal Reserve System, I should like to designate Morgan H. Rice, Vice President in charge of the research function of this bank, as the officer with whom the staff of the Committee may establish liaison.

Mr. Rice's long experience in the System, together with his specialization in central banking and economic research, should enable him to be helpful as a guide to the supervisor of our files and as a liaison with your Committee.

With cordial regards.

Sincerely yours,

Watrous H. Irons  
President

RECEIVED

FEB 16 1955

A. S.

ANSWERED \_\_\_\_\_  
ATTENDED TO \_\_\_\_\_

December 23, 1954

Dear Mr. Austin:

We are most grateful to you for sending us copies of "Items" issued during the past year. I look forward to seeing it regularly in the future.

Sincerely yours,

Mildred Adams

Mr. S. S. Austin  
Federal Reserve Bank  
Dallas 13, Texas





FEDERAL RESERVE BANK  
RECEIVED OF DALLAS

HARRY A. SHUFORD  
VICE PRESIDENT

DEC 13 1954

December 8, 1954

COMMITTEE ON THE HISTORY  
OF THE  
FEDERAL RESERVE SYSTEM

Miss Mildred Adams, Research Director  
Committee on the History  
of the Federal Reserve System  
33 Liberty Street  
New York 45, N. Y.

Dear Miss Adams:

Reference is made to your letter of December 3, requesting material published by this bank regarding the 40th anniversary.

This bank has not issued any special publications pertaining to the 40th anniversary and the only references to it were made in the publication "Items." We are forwarding to you, under separate cover, copies of Items issued during the past year, and your name is being added to our mailing list so that you will receive future copies as issued.

Assuring you that we are pleased to furnish you this information, I am,

Sincerely yours,

For Harry A. Shuford  
Vice President

December 3, 1954

Dear Mr. Shuford:

As you probably know, for the past year the above Committee has been assembling material on the history of the Federal Reserve System for the use of scholars and students. We are gradually building up in this office a history research center which includes among other tools files on people in the Federal Reserve System and on the regional banks. The Committee would like to receive regularly from you any material the Dallas Bank publishes which would contain information of use to this office. We are particularly anxious to receive anything you may have published in connection with the 40th anniversary of the System. We would also like to be put on the regular mailing list of Items which we feel could be from time to time a useful source of information.

The Committee will be most grateful for any assistance you can give us.

Sincerely yours,

Mildred Adams

Mr. Harry A. Shuford  
Federal Reserve Bank of Dallas  
Dallas 13, Texas

# Office Correspondence

FEDERAL RESERVE BANK OF DALLAS

Date November 19, 1954To Miss Marguerite BurnettSubject: Organization chart of theFrom Mabel WilkersonF.R.B. of Dallas

*(May 1954)*  
 This chart is already out of date, but when another is done I will send it to you. This will possibly be within the next month or six weeks. I hope the information is complete enough for your purpose.

It sounds like you are really getting things done. Best wishes!

*Mabel*

RECEIVED

NOV 22 1954

COMMITTEE ON THE HISTORY  
 OF THE  
 FEDERAL RESERVE SYSTEM

November 18, 1954

Miss Mabel Wilkerson, Librarian  
Federal Reserve Bank of Dallas,  
Dallas, 13  
Texas.

Dear Mabel,

May I enquire if your Bank has an organization chart? If so, may we have a copy of the latest edition? Miss Adams has asked me to round up charts for all the Federal Reserve Banks.

If you do not have a chart could you let me have any bulletins or mimeographed lists that give the names of your officers and their functions and the personnel of the Bank's committees.

Any information you can give us along this line would be appreciated.

Sincerely yours,

*hB*

Marguerite Burnett

November 3, 1954

Miss Mabel Wilkerson, Librarian  
Federal Reserve Bank of Dallas,  
Dallas, 13, Texas.

Dear Mabel,

I do appreciate your cooperation in filling out the library questionnaire so promptly, when you were about to take flight on your vacation. I know how many last-minute chores always loom up on the final day and I thank you for giving this one priority. We are anxious to get this information carded so that we can proceed with our other task.

Our next job is to compose a questionnaire about the archives resources of the Reserve Banks and we are busy studying the best way to get meaningful answers.

I want to thank you for your good wishes on my retirement. I seem to keep surprisingly busy but am enjoying the release from high pressures. I am pleased to know you will miss me at the Federal Reserve meetings, for I shall certainly miss all of you myself. Did you notice that there is a new librarian at the Minneapolis Bank? She is Mildred Strand, succeeding Joanne C. Dandois, who left to take a position in the Stanford University library.

Sincerely yours,

*MBS*

Marguerite Burnett

Ans. 11/3/54

L 13

**Office Correspondence** FEDERAL RESERVE BANK OF DALLASDate October 22, 1954To Miss Marguerite BurnettSubject: Dallas F.R.B. LibraryFrom Mabel Wilkerson

This came almost too late for me to do, for I am supposed to have been on my way for my vacation as of 5: this afternoon. This is at least an approximation of our holdings. I suppose we have the typical F.R.B. holdings, plus those things which are needed for our particular area and set-up.

I had not known you were retiring until the Personnel list came this week, then I noticed your home address given in the SLA Bulletin. I am glad that you have the opportunity to do this work with the Committee, for you should be of much help to them, and it should prove very interesting to you.

You have my very best wishes for a happy and interesting retirement. You will be missed at all FRSystem meeting of our group.

Sincerely,

*Mabel*

October 19, 1954

Dear Miss Wilkerson:

I am writing to you in connection with my new job as assistant to Miss Mildred Adams, Research Director of the Committee on the History of the Federal Reserve System. It is a most interesting assignment to uncover and record the archives material that is in each Federal Reserve Bank and the Board of Governors, and you will be hearing from me later about that project. I shall very much need the help of my Federal Reserve Library friends.

Meanwhile, I am undertaking to bring up to date the information cards in this office for all the Federal Reserve libraries. These were based on the data given in "Special Library Resources" and the form used there has been retained. Rather than repeat the information given for your library for you to correct and revise, I thought it would be easier for you to make fresh notations, and I have only inserted what I knew to be recent data. I shall be most grateful for your aid in this.

Sincerely yours,

Marguerite Burnett

Enc.

Miss Mabel Wilkerson  
Librarian  
Federal Reserve Bank of Dallas  
Dallas, Texas

FEDERAL RESERVE BANK OF DALLAS - LIBRARY  
Dallas, Texas

Established?  
Date

Librarian: Mabel Wilkerson  
Research Department - Vice President in charge: (Name)  
Librarian reports to: Philip E. Coldwell, Director of Research  
Staff: Total - Professional -  
Serves:

MATERIALS

Volumes:  
Pamphlets:  
Added Annually:  
Vertical file drawers:  
Special collections:  
Library publications:

PERIODICALS

No. Received:  
No. Bound:  
Disposal of others:  
No. Newspapers:  
No. Bound or on  
microfilm:

DESCRIPTION OF LIBRARY (Subjects stressed, etc.)

Does Library prepare an annual report?  
and if so, where?

Is a summary published,

Name of supervisor of the Bank's correspondence files:  
Officer to whom she reports (name and title):



COMMITTEE ON THE HISTORY OF THE FEDERAL RESERVE SYSTEM  
33 Liberty Street, New York 45, New York

October 15, 1954

Dear Mr. Rice:

Thank you for your letter of September 29th giving us the names of people teaching money and banking in your area who have a special interest in the Federal Reserve System. The Committee plans to write these men during the first part of November informing them of this project and inviting their interest and suggestions.

As this project goes forward we will undoubtedly be needing to call again on your knowledge and cooperation. It is good to know we can count on your warm support.

Sincerely,

Mildred Adams  
Research Director

Mr. Morgan H. Rice  
Vice President  
Federal Reserve Bank of Dallas  
Dallas, Texas



FEDERAL RESERVE BANK  
OF DALLAS

MORGAN H. RICE  
VICE PRESIDENT AND  
SECRETARY OF THE BOARD

September 29, 1954

Miss Mildred Adams, Research Director  
Committee on The History of The  
Federal Reserve System  
33 Liberty Street  
New York 45, New York

Dear Miss Adams:

Reference is made to your letter of September 21 asking for the names of teachers of money and banking in the Dallas area who might be added to a selected list of people who are well equipped and who would be interested in knowing about the Federal Reserve project and, perhaps, in working on some phase of it.

We have relatively few teachers in money and banking in the Southwest who would fall in the category that would make up your selected list. I am listing below the names of three men who I feel should be added to the list:

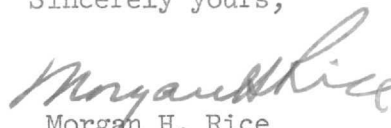
Dr. J. Anderson Fitzgerald, Consulting Dean  
School of Business Administration  
The University of Texas  
Austin, Texas

Dr. Charles L. Prather, Chairman  
Department of Finance, Insurance, and Real Estate  
The University of Texas  
Austin, Texas

Dr. Richard B. Johnson, Chairman  
Department of Economics  
Southern Methodist University  
Dallas, Texas

Assuring you that it is a pleasure to cooperate with you in this matter, I am

Sincerely yours,

  
Morgan H. Rice  
Vice President

*coded - 200  
10/4/54*

September 21, 1954

Dear Mr. Rice:

I think you know, from a letter which Mr. Allan Sproul recently wrote to Dr. Irons, that this Committee now has its five-year grant and is ready to embark on the definitive study of the Federal Reserve System for which the grant was made.

It goes without saying that we need the very best help we can get in order to achieve work of the quality we aim for. Thus far we have limited our area of consultation to experts more or less immediately at hand, but we now are eager to widen the circle of qualified men who are aware of the project and interested in it.

We understand that you have a list of people who are teaching money and banking in the Dallas region. Could you give us, not the full list, but a carefully selected list of those particularly well equipped who would be interested in knowing about this project, and even, perhaps, in working in some phase of it? That phrase "carefully selected" refers, of course, to caliber of mind and skill - we have every desire to include men of many opinions, including those who have shown themselves critical.

What we aim at is a list of the top 150 to 200 men in the country who are actively interested in studying various phases of the System and we are most anxious to include a proper proportion of those in the Dallas district. We will be very grateful for your cooperation in this.

Very sincerely yours,

Mildred Adams  
Research Director

Mr. Morgan H. Rice  
Vice President  
Federal Reserve Bank of Dallas  
Dallas, Texas

C O P Y

FEDERAL RESERVE BANK  
OF DALLAS

Watrous H. Irons  
President

September 15, 1954

Mr. Allan Sproul, President  
Federal Reserve Bank of New York  
New York 45, New York

Dear Mr. Sproul:

In response to your letter of September 10,  
we will be glad to give such cooperation as we can to Miss  
Mildred Adams or any of her associates in connection with  
the proposed history of the Federal Reserve System.

I am passing your letter on to Morgan Rice, Vice  
President in charge of our Research Department, for his in-  
formation. I know he will be very glad to cooperate fully.

With cordial regards.

Sincerely yours,

/s/ Watrous H. Irons

Watrous H. Irons  
President



FEDERAL RESERVE BANK  
OF DALLAS

MORGAN H. RICE  
VICE PRESIDENT AND  
SECRETARY OF THE BOARD

May 19, 1954

Miss Mildred Adams, Research Director  
Committee on the History of the  
Federal Reserve System.  
33 Liberty Street  
New York 45, New York

Dear Miss Adams:

Pursuant to your letter of March 1, 1954, to President Irons, and my reply of March 16, 1954, I am attaching statements showing the names of the Chairmen and Federal Reserve Agents and Presidents (or Governors) of the Federal Reserve Bank of Dallas since organization, together with the dates of their terms of office.

There are also enclosed biographical sketches pertaining to all of these men except E. O. Tennison, Oscar Wells, and R. L. Van Zandt. Thus far, we have been unable to locate biographical material relating to these three men.

In your letter of March 1, you stated that you would like us to send you any material which has been compiled as to this bank's history, its operations, and its place in the economic life of the Eleventh District. We have much information relating to this bank and the economic development of the Eleventh District, but we question how much of it might be useful to you in your study, especially at the present time. Moreover, much of it would have to be taken from the permanent files of the bank. The type of material which I am thinking about relates to such publications as are listed on the attached sheet. I would suggest, therefore, that you give us more concrete information on the subjects which you are investigating so that we can collect and forward to you only those materials which will be useful.

Assuring you of our desire to render the maximum of assistance in this project, I am

Sincerely yours,

Morgan H. Rice  
Vice President

Enclosures



FEDERAL RESERVE BANK  
OF DALLAS

MORGAN H. RICE  
ASSISTANT VICE PRESIDENT  
AND SECRETARY OF THE BOARD

March 16, 1954

Miss Mildred Adams, Research Director  
Committee on the History of the  
Federal Reserve System  
33 Liberty Street  
New York 45, New York

Dear Miss Adams:

Your letter of March 1, 1954, addressed to  
President Irons has been referred to me for attention.

We are now in the process of compiling the  
information requested in your letter, and we shall for-  
ward it to you when it is assembled. I assure you  
that we shall be glad to cooperate with you fully in  
this project and will endeavor to provide you with the  
maximum of information.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Morgan H. Rice".

Morgan H. Rice  
Assistant Vice President

March 1, 1954

Dear Dr. Irons:

Mr. Sproul has sent to this office your reply to his letter of February 18th kindly assuring us of your cooperation in the work of this Committee.

Knowing how important the Dallas Reserve Bank has been in the development of the System, we are eager to know of any material which has been compiled as to the Bank's history, its operations, its place in the economic life of the Eleventh District. If this can be sent to us, it will be most welcome.

We also need a list of the most influential individuals who have helped to make the Dallas Bank what it is today. We would like to start with the names of the men who have been Chairmen, Presidents (or Governors), and Federal Reserve Agents. If we could have these, with the dates when they were appointed and when their terms ended, and whatever biographic data you have at hand about them, it would be an immediate help.

The Committee asks me to thank you in advance for your assistance in this.

Very sincerely yours,

Mildred Adams

Dr. Watrous H. Irons  
President  
Federal Reserve Bank of Dallas  
Dallas  
Texas

MA:km

C O P Y

F E D E R A L R E S E R V E B A N K  
O F D A L L A S

February 24, 1954

Mr. Allan Sproul, President  
Federal Reserve Bank of New York  
New York 45, N. Y.

Dear Mr. Sproul:

I have read your letter of February 18, relating to the establishment of a Committee on the History of the Federal Reserve System with much interest. I have often thought that there would be much value in well-founded studies covering the policies and practices of the Federal Reserve System as they have developed over the years.

We here at this bank will be very glad to give Miss Mildred Adams any assistance it is possible for us to provide.

Cordially yours,

(Signed) Watrous H. Irons  
Watrous H. Irons  
President



May 24, 1954

Dear Mr. Rice:

Thank you for your very helpful letter of May 19th, enclosing the biographical data we requested.

We entirely understand the difficulties with respect to materials incorporated in your permanent files. We are planning to frame a skeleton questionnaire on the subjects in which we are especially interested, and hope to send you a copy in the near future. This should show more clearly than did our original request the specific kinds of materials we are looking for in our effort to build up a central register of archival materials.

Meanwhile I should like to thank you for the assistance which you have given us in this initial phase of exploration.

Sincerely yours,

Mildred Adams

Mr. Morgan H. Rice  
Vice President  
Federal Reserve Bank of Dallas  
Dallas  
Texas

KM