

## FEDERAL RESERVE BANK OF ST. LOUIS St. Louis 2. Missouri

July 10, 1952

To All Banks in the Eighth Federal Reserve District:

The Federal Reserve Bank of St. Louis is pleased to announce the following new official appointments made by the Board of Directors of this bank, effective July 16, 1952.

William J. Abbott, Jr., Manager, Research Department, has been appointed Director of Research, an official position. Mr. Abbott received his Ph.D. degree from Washington University in 1941 and entered the employ of the Federal Reserve Bank in 1948.

George E. Kroner has been appointed an officer of the bank with his present title of Chief Examiner. He joined the bank's staff in 1918 and has been associated with the Bank Examination Division since 1936. Mr. Kroner attended Benton College, St. Louis.

Willis L. Johns, Manager, Personnel Department, was appointed Assistant Vice President. He joined the bank's staff in 1924 and has been affiliated with personnel administration since 1941. Mr. Johns was graduated in 1948 from the Graduate School of Banking, Rutgers University.

Stephen Koptis has been appointed Assistant Vice President. Mr. Koptis entered the employ of this bank in 1921 and has served in various departments, having devoted approximately twelve years to the Credit-Discount function of the bank. He is a graduate of St. Louis University School of Commerce and Finance.

Woodrow W. Gilmore was appointed Assistant Vice President. Mr. Gilmore joined the bank's staff in 1933. He was graduated in 1942 from the St. Louis University School of Commerce and Finance.

The resignation of Assistant Vice President J. H. Gales was accepted by the Board of Directors to become effective July 15, 1952. Mr. Gales has been associated with this bank since 1943.

DELOS C. JOHNS

President