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Sat. Sept. 12.

Dr. Rubbin and Mr. Esterline arrived last evening but left on Paris this afternoon late via Lussan. He took a drive with Mrs. Wilson and went to lunch at the Luteum. Club to hear Naumen. Just before leaving I asked him for some manuscript. He said I had intestinal indigestion and gave me a prescription.

In am. went to assembly. Returning I drove out to Edith's villa and left the artist in the Mercury by a Mr. Gatten attacking the Walter Hines Page myth, - which Harriet sent to us.

We lunched quietly at the Hotel and then made some calls.

In the evening we went to a dinner given by Viscount Ishii to us. It was a family dinner, the other present being the Japanese attached to the L. of V. staff, Dr. Gulick a missionary, and Miss Seidmore the Japanese writer.

Ishii told Bertie that when we came to the U.S. in 1917 on the Japanese commission he told Sec. Lansing about the secret

agreement bet. ^{Lansing} E.A.B. & as to Shantung, although he believes he never told President Wilson. He also said that after he came as Ambassador in 1918, he had a talk with Lansing as to sending a very prominent Japanese to China as a financial com^{re}; that Lansing fully approved this, but when he was appointed Lansing called on Paris objecting and insisting on the appointment of an American; that he went to Hunt Polk and showed him his notes as to the talk with Lansing, but that Lansing denied any recollection of any such conversation; that he thereupon asked to be relieved of his post as Ambassador, as he felt he never again could have any intercourse with him; that later his friend Dr. Tugler wrote Mrs. Wilson fully about the matter & she told it to Pres. Wilson.

This latter was told to Calkins by John.

We told him we felt that Lansing at that time was a very sick man, suffering from diabetes and that it had affected his mind, as was shown by his conduct, which clearly showed his disloyalty to Wilson.

I also told him Lansing hated Japan and that I thought he was influenced by John W. Foster. I also told him which

was told me in Japan by Mr. Hiram the adviser of the Jap. Foreign Office, in 1897, that Foster had asked an audience of the Emperor some time before on his way to China and that Foster insisted that not only Mrs. Foster but also other members of her family should be received at the same time and that Foster was very indignant when told that the request could not be complied with; that Foster had asked as counsel for the Chinese Govt.

I told him we wanted to see the treaty book at the League of N. Secretariat and he said Dr. Nitobe would show it to us on Monday.

Sunday. Sept. 13.

Edith called up on telephone and said she had 2 tickets to the cathedral which she would leave at the hotel, but we told her we already had two tickets.

Went to cathedral at 10.30. A joint service: Dr. Fordship delivered a brilliant address on L. of N. at 11 AM drove to Arthur Sullivan to lunch. Several delegates were there, as also Dr. Zimmerman who lectured very movingly.

the League proceedings. are well better against Chamberlain, saying he wishes to shelter the League. Dr J. said the League was fighting for its life in connection w. the proposed Protocol, and that the assembly would never consent to the shaking of the Protocol. They all agreed that Lord Cecil had been Min. of Int. Affairs would have accepted the Protocol in principle but would have suggested modifications such as the right to suggest reservations etc.

Mr Sweetser said the National Council of Churches was simply an adjunct of the Republican machine leaders.

Late in the afternoon, Rev & Mrs Paul Russell Nottingham called & stayed in town.

Mr & Mrs Ewert dined with me, and after dinner she said she would get in touch w. Anna & went into a half trance and gave me a message, - not however, very satisfactory. She gave me a book test which, however, did not work out. (see copy).

Lady Ames sent Bertie a ticket to the delphonic gallery of the assembly for tomorrow.

The Gaults leave tomorrow for Charleston and to return until Sunday. Late in the bus they go to Italy and then to America in the Spring.

He said letters addressed to him would be at once forwarded: - Paris, Morgan Hargis; Geneva, Holie Richmond; N.Y. Century Club.

Sam & Mrs Owen arrived yesterday.

Monday, Sept. 14

attended lunch at Int. Club to hear Rick of Irish War State.

Wrote long note in afternoon.

Sam & Mrs Owen came in on the

after dinner he & Mrs Owen and friends called.

Tuesday Sept 15.

Went to assembly.

Lunched Intern. Club. In the shape Mrs Harriman waited back w. me to see Bertie. Stayed 2 1/2 hours.

Invited by Mr. & Mrs Donald to a dinner given by Council on Intern. Relations to

americans to meet Lord & Lady Cecil who was to address them & answer questions. Reported as we drove w. Mrs. Bagg.

Dined at 8.15 w. Sir Herbert & Lady Ames. She said she & Mrs. Louden, British Min. to Paris only could be there. In 1909 he was to speak in Albany & stay w. Mrs. Pruepp, but because of the death he stayed w. Robert Pruepp.

We found however, that the party included the Danish Min. to Stockholm, a Dutch Professor, Sir Cecil & Lady Hurst, & Lady ~~Almon~~ Harrell.

Wed. Sept 16

Lunched at Int. Club. Heard an Italian Senator speak. Edith was there and said Min. Bannock told her plans were to have a large dinner at which the Americans working in the League were to be present; that the dinner might be held in a hotel, in which case she could not go; that if it was so held she wanted us to dine quietly with her.

called on P.H. on Mrs. Arthur Bullard and Countess Lilie.

Dined with Mrs. Bagg, Mr & Mrs Arthur Bullard, David Fairchild, Mr & Mrs Gilbert Emerson, Mr Howse, correspondent of Chic. News were

there. They told me it would be a family dinner!

Thursday. Sept 17

In morning went to secretariat and heard 60 lantern slides of the L. of N. They are to be sent to Mr. Mitchell, Manager of Red Star Line Antwerp for sale.

Had my passport rec'd by curiel of Grand Duchy of Luxembourg, cost 5 francs. Lunched alone together.

called also to bid good bye to Prof. Hudson, sent Mrs. Rhoads a check for \$25 to take the Amer. Consul luncheon and he was very grateful.

In afternoon went to secretariat & saw Dr. Shawell. He said he believed the present British delegate in their hearts - except Lord Cecil - had little sympathy for the League, except in so far as they could dominate it; that they were opposed to any present counsel of disarmament & that altho all the other Nations wanted immediate consideration; that very rarely they might have to give in on part, but this would be from no desire in their heart; that there was a hostility

that the Eng.-Franch. Com. had might be soon
 agreed upon; that the Com. would enter the League
 but not till after the assembly adjourned in
 any event; that Lord Cecil had no influence
 w. the delegate, altho' in Chamberlain's
 absence he was the titular head; he was
 very bitter against Sir Cecil Hurst on opposing
 present counsels of disarmament plans.
 He said that Root as well as Scott wanted
 an abrogation on the arms. Com's remembrance,
 but finally gave up the attempt; that he
 felt Butler might now push the League
 and that Butler and Pritchett very nearly
 dominated the Exec. Com. of the Foundation;
 that Pritchett was a democrat, and altho very
 quiet, beyond the League; that Ketchel of
 the Exec. Com. also favored it as did the Jex
 altho the latter looked on the Foundation as
 rather a joke.

I then called on Mrs. Andrew Carnegie who was
 delighted to see me. She said the League had
 wonderfully inspired her & she seemed very
 enthusiastic. She said she wished her husband
 were alive as he would have been full of
 enthusiasm for it & would have pushed
 it with all his energy. She begged me to call

upon her in N. Y. and said she would so like
 to have a good talk with me.

at 8 P.M. we dined with Edith; she was
 alone as Miss Barnish & Miss Johnson
 were dining out. We went over the writings
 & letters of Mrs. Everett and she really
 seemed interested. We explained to her
 about Hendrick Pringle's letters to her
 about Anna, and she did not seem a
 bit disturbed by them. She told us some
 laughable stories about their travels
 with servants in Geneva. She said she
 would probably leave Geneva next
 Monday for Paris as the lease of their
 villa was only for one month. She
 said she probably would be back in
 Washington by the last of October and
 begged Bertie to stay with her until
 she settled as to an apartment or
 hotel.

Friday, Sept. 18

Left Geneva about 11 A.M. and reached
 Bern about 3 P.M. Drove to the Swiss
 Natl Bk and had a pleasant call on

the Vice President, Mr. Schneider; then called on Amer. Minister Mr. Eiben but he was out of town; then drove to the Bear garden and around the city, taking tea.

We left Biele at 5 PM reaching Biele at about 7.30. Went to the Trois Rois where we had a very comfortable room and bath, overlooking the Rhine, for the day.

Sat Sept 19

Left Biele at 10 am & arrived at Metz at 3.30. Went to Grand Hotel where we had a comfortable room and bath at 60 French francs per day, - 3. Drove around city before dinner.

Sunday Sept 20

Drove from Metz to Verdun - about 40 miles - and return. Went over Fort Vaux and saw the captured trench.

Left 4.20 for Luxembourg - where we arrived at 6.30. Hotel Brasseur - very comfortable.

Monday Sept 21

Went by 10 clock train for Brussels where we arrived about 5.30. Palace Hotel, very

good - we paid 120 francs per day for room and bath (4.50.).

Monday, Sept 22

I called on Mr. Phillips in tel. and made appointment for 3.30. He asked us both to leave the w. Mr. P. at 5.

He sent me in his machine to leave a card in the Gov of Nat. Gov of Belgium. He said if I wished to see him personally he would be glad to arrange for a meeting. He said he could not speak English, so I said I would merely leave a card out of courtesy. I drove down and gave my card to a door keeper who asked me to take a seat in the reception room. I told him I did not want to trouble the Gov but merely to pay my respects. In a few minutes a gentleman came in, - possibly his secretary, who said the Gov asked him to say that he was just going to an important conference & regretted extremely he could not see me now, but would be delighted to see me at any time agreeable to me tomorrow. I explained that I was leaving early on Antwerp. The Sec. was very agreeable and said he was in or went with the Belgian debt commission to Washington.

at 5 P.M. we took tea w, Amb & Mrs Phillips:

Tuesday.

Wed. Sept 23

Drove by auto to Antwerp. Stopped en route at Malines & visited the cathedral. The curules were not playing as they were being repaired. Called at Palace of Cardinal Mercier. His Secretary said he was engaged all the morning but took us over the Palace & showed us his chapel and library.

Arrived at Antwerp about 12.30. Called on Mr. Mitchell the Manager of Red Star. He was very agreeable & gave us some mail, including a delightful letter from Edith. He said he thought they could give us a better room, & gave us a letter to the Chief Steward to give us lunch.

Our room was changed from C 24 to B. 49 a very large room - but no bath.

Sailed at 4 P.M., but before then went to the cathedral & saw the Princes tomb.

Went to the ship's doctor who examined me thoroughly & said, as did Dr

Robbin, that my only trouble was intestinal indigestion.

at 9 P.M. the doctor gave me some calomel.

Thursday. Sept 24.

Arrived Southampton at 13.30. Did not dock but anchored. Left about 2.30.

Arrived Cherbourg about 7.30. Pilot Andrew came aboard. Heavy rain.

Friday, Sept 25.

a cold, drary, rainy day.

Sat. Sept 26

Clear sunshine but cold.

Sunday. Sept 27

cold, dumb, & rainy. Heavy sea.

Canvas awnings have been put up all along the ship since we sailed, making it very dark sitting out on deck.

Eng. Andrew pointed out a man walking on deck w. a cane & said he thought it was Count Tolstoi who was in command. Later we learned it was Gen. Robert de Bullard who commanded one of the Amer. divisions in the war in Germany.

Andrew said he was the observer who wrote
on Hearst's newspaper, criticizing the
admiral on the conduct of the war; that he
chumped his clothes 2 or 3 times each day;
that when walking on deck he took in a
berby hat & cane; that the afternoon evening
he came down to dinner in a dinner
jacket and the breast was covered with
injuries of smallpox!

Monday Sept 28

a clear cold morning. Moderate sea.
clear sunshiny day but very cold.

Tuesday. Sept 29

very stormy - heavy sea - canvas all around decks.
In afternoon became clear & cold.

Wed. Sept 30

a clear, very cold day

Thursday. Oct 1

clear & very cold. Landed Halibut 4 P.M.
left 5.30

Friday Oct 2

clear, sunny, not very cold day.

Sat. Oct 3.

Break. at 6.15 am.

Reached quarantine 6.30

Landed about 10 am.

Was 1 P.M. limited by procedure.

Was motor at Pres. & reached H.H. at
about 8. P.M.

cong. Andrew spoke of the trouble w. Sec. Macbride.
He said the Sec. did not like him and
finally would not even speak to him; that
he was a Prof. at Harvard & Aldrich asked
him to act as Sec. of the Monetary Com.,
in Pres. Choate's recommendation; that he got
leave from Harvard on this purpose;
that the Sec. was very jealous of
Aldrich & gave no help to the Com.; that
Aldrich wanted him to go to the Chicago
convention to get a blank endorsement the
Aldrich Monetary Com. gave; that the
Sec. flatly refused to allow him to
go and that therefore he resigned.
He said that wife he was appointed

director of the bank and later fiscal and Sec. of
 the Treasury; that one day Vanderbilt called
 on him N.Y. and said that Charles Norton,
 Sec. of Robt was negotiating a 100 million dollar
 loan, on Treasury of funds, the basis of the
 1st Natl N.Y., and the Morgan interests; that
 Vanderbilt said the bank had not been
 consulted & was very indignant; that after
 fiscal and Sec. he had never heard of this;
 that one morning he drove to Norton's house
 and asked him what it meant; that
 Norton told him he could not talk about
 it; that he then drove to Macbride's house
 who was not in; that he kept him
 waiting 1/2 hr & finally came into the
 room and reluctantly said: - Well, Andrew,
 what do you want?; that he said he
 came to talk about the 100 million loan;
 that he V. said - what right have you to
 come to me on any loan matter - I am the
 Sec. of the Treasury; that he then told Macbride
 what he had heard, and finally to his
 amazement he V. admitted that he had
 never even heard of it; that he and
 Mac V. went to N.Y. & saw Vanderbilt & he
 verified the fact; that when they returned

he V. said he was to be at the White House
 that P.M. & undoubtedly Robt would
 speak to him about it; that later he
 told him Robt invited him into the
 Parlor to take a drink but never alluded
 to the loan! that Mac V. seemed utterly
 despondent & broken down; that finally
 he - Andrew - went to Aldrich & said he
 wanted to inquire about the loan - that
 while Mac V. & he never even spoke to
 one another, he really had some sym-
 -pathy with him; that Aldrich went
 to Robt & learned that a loan was
 being arranged by Norton; that as a
 result of Aldrich's protest, the matter
 was given up finally; that in spite of
 this treatment Mac V. did not resign.
 a. Macbride learned he had just completed
 his new house & did not want to
 leave Washington, although Andrew told
 him if he resigned he should resign
 also.

Andrew said he V. was a very weak
 man, not fitted for the Treasury; that
 he was appointed only bec. a western
 man was wanted; that John Reynolds

had accepted the position of Sec of the Treasury under Tubb, but the directors doubled his salary and persuaded him to decline it; that Macbray was decided upon at the 24th June in order that the cabinet might be completed.

He also said Frank Stearns told him in a letter of the fact that he had moved his bed in the White House into President Coolidge's bed room as the President liked to enter w. him early in the morning!

Andrew said he owed the Adams nothing & that Constable Lodge's opposition to him in his campaign helped him more than it hurt him; that Sen. Gillette would never be able to cast an independent vote in the Senate as he was then fully throwing his choice of Butler & Stearns. He said neither Butler nor Stearns liked him as he would not take orders from them.

He also said that Charles Norton had fixed matters to get a position in Bankers Bank in N.Y.

Andrew was quite liberal towards the League of Nations & I believe ultimately he will come out for it.

Andrew was very bitter towards the Adams but not giving better terms to France. He said he was ashamed of our country's attitude in demanding payment, at least of the two armistice debt. He showed me an interview he intended to give out and asked my opinion of it. I told him, without expressing any opinion on the merits, it would certainly be regarded as a blow in the back of the Adams and that he should not publish it without the full knowledge that it would be so regarded.

Sunday Oct 4.

My digestion was so bad I called up Dr Joslin and made an appointment to go to the Deaconess Hospital tomorrow am. Prepared to stay for a thorough examination.

Monday Oct 5

Met Dr Joslin at Deaconess Hospital at 10 am. Went to bed. Later went down to X Ray room & Dr Morrison gave me an enema of a chemical called Barium, I slept and then took X Ray pictures to be

developed later. Had considerable pain the rest of the day.

Tuesday, Oct. 6

was shown the X Ray pictures. They revealed nothing bad - they showed just where I felt the pain, the intestine showing slight bulges. At night the pain still continued.

Wed. Oct 7

Dr. J. expected to send me back today but thought it better to wait until tomorrow all the the night I had severe pains & could not sleep.

Thursday, Oct 8

Dr. J. said he would go over and again & did but could find nothing out of the way. He said he did not have my stomach & roged, as he was satisfied it was all right, but as the pain still continued he thought it better to have a thorough exam.

I went down again and this time drank the barium and for 20 minutes was photographed. Dr. H. said he would continue at 1.30, when I went down again

for further photographs. He then said to come in again tomorrow am at 7.30.

Friday Oct 9.

at 7.30 Dr. H. gave me an injection of Barium & took more photographs. He said he found absolutely nothing out of the way or even suspicious; that my stomach was in perfect condition; that my bowel movement was chronically rotten shamoside - that the barium matter gathered in my right side and was not digested as quickly as it should be causing the irritate in the left side I complained of; that there was nothing wh. shld not yield to mild cathartic treatment; that he considered me in excellent condition - a first class insurance risk.

Later Dr. Joslin came in & said the same. He said if he had found the slightest suspicious condition he would have asked Dr. Jan Jones to go over and with him, but there was absolutely nothing to call for this; that a month of plain food would surely make me all

upset again.

Referring to my often trouble the said nurse was not a severe case, not even a moderate case, only the slightest trouble & not the slightest occasion for worry.

I left at noon for Hdt.

During my 4 days stay, my blood was tested every morning, my water analyzed & my blood measured.

Oct 12. Sunday.

Met M A Curtis in Boston 5 P.M. He said Boston had decided on an increase in its disc. rate from $3\frac{1}{2}$ to 4% but that the Board had held it up; that such increase was absolutely necessary; that the banks were using the same rate to get money for stock exchange loans. I then drove to Gov Harding's house & he related the above. He said N. Y. said Boston increase would not embarrass it but that if Cleveland & Phoebe advanced it might throw a heavy burden on N. Y.

Oct 13. Tuesday

In Wash. Cummings said the Fed. Councilman. deprecated any increase in

rate; that he was to have a conf. w. Gov Stung in N. Y. tomorrow, wh. perhaps should be held private; that the N. Y. directors opposed any rate increase on N. Y.

I am satisfied that Gov C. is dominated by Gov Stung, and believe Stung is thereby more of the effect of rate increase on N. Y. than in U.S. Platt & Miller believe rates should be increased and I am inclined to the same view, esp. in view of the stock market movement in N. Y.

In evening Mr. Wynn called. He said Mr. Carr (published of a trader) told him that Sen. Borah told him that President Coolidge told him that he felt the U.S. should stay clear of the world court but that the pressure was so great he could not withstand it!

Curtis in Boston said they were working hard for my habit; that their only fear was that Sec. Weeks would want the black; that Butler would go into the cabinet & Herbert Cox would run for the Senate; that Cox knew nothing about banking but

was meeting \$5000 the year bank would break but no known source except making checks at dinner.

Oct 16. Monday

at Board meeting E. C. spoke of his meeting w. the N. Y. Director yesterday. He said all were opposed to increasing the N. Y. rate at the present time; that they were keeping direct action in the N. Y. banks to cut down stock exchange loans; that as far as the N. Y. banks were concerned their action was successful, but that the trouble was that the greater part of the money loaned in the stock exchange came from the interior, cotton loans against N. Y. balances & direct loans; that many of the directors thought it might be well to leave Boston so it just before the next N. Y. meeting and then a week later Cleveland & Philadelphia; that this would cause uncertainty in the market & might tend to depress the great wave of speculative activity; that it would throw a heavy increased burden on N. Y. but that N. Y. did take care of this more effectively than the other banks.

Mr. James said if Boston increased, Atlanta also would want to go up and the movement might spread over the whole country depressing the price of cotton, wheat & the other staples; that these staples were too high and must soon break of themselves, but if such break followed a rate increase, all would say that the N. Y. had ruined the farmers again as they said in 1920.

Platt said we would surely be attacked on keeping a $3\frac{1}{2}\%$ rate on the basis of speculation while farm notes carried 4% .

Dr. Stewart addressed the meeting. He said production was slowly increasing w. prices practically stationary; that he saw evidence that stock speculation was being fed by N. Y. redits; that there was absolutely no harm in increasing the rate on commercial redits, altho the N. Y. rate was one % below the commercial rate; that direct action, as in N. Y., would meet the situation if it could be obtained; that he was inclined to think that a $\frac{1}{2}\%$ increase in N. Y. rate

would not push up when market rates.

Ed said usually an increase under conditions as at present would result in an increase of other market rates, which all agreed was not necessarily desirable at present.

Ed thinks the question might involve itself into whether it was well or necessary to increase rates on commercial paper redemptions in order to check land and stock market speculation.

Undoubtedly com. paper redemptions are to some extent bidding the stock market, but, in the first instance at least, direct action should be taken on the banks to cause them to obtain needed funds by calling in speculative loans rather than by redemptions, and to cease further loans in the stock market.

Mon. Oct 19

called on Mr Harding. He said the situation was unchanged & that at the meeting Wed. the Board would again urge an increase; that the rate at which they were buying bills in other market was higher than the discount rate. I told him of our meeting last Friday and the feeling - except as to Platt - that rate changes should be deferred for a while; that James ed of Boston increased Atlanta and demand an increase. He said they would be made for it would in might injure the movement in price of cotton. I said James said an increase at Boston might have the psychological effect of stirring up the country and cause a break in cotton & wheat, or if they broke as he thought they were bound to anyway the farmers would say the increase was unreasonable.

I told him the N. Y. banks held the matter well in hand by direct action & we thought we could do the same. He asked me to come to the stockholders meeting Wed. am & to the directors meeting at 2 P.M. & I said I would.

I then called Mr. Geo. Cummings. He said Phila by direct action held the matter well in hand, and did not want to increase rates now; also that Sec. Miller believed rates should not now be increased.

I asked him to call Mr. Geo. Harding and he said he would immediately after calling Mr. Geo. Stimp, which he was about to do.

Wed. Oct 26.

Went to Boston, attended stockholders meeting of Mass. of Boston and made an address. Lunched. attended directors meeting at 2 P.M. talked over rate situation. The directors still felt rates should be increased but were not inclined to move matters in view of attitude of Board & Sec. Miller. Finally the Board passed a resolution favoring an increase but merely to keep their record straight, and resolution not to be sent to the Board.

Thurs. Oct 22

Delivered address in Park to Amos and L. of N. w. stereotyped view, at congregational church. M.A.

Wed. Oct 27

Ad met when Mr. Cornell of N.Y. Mr. H. of old Boston rate situ - should be increased as out of line with customer rates, - $3\frac{1}{2}$ to $4\frac{1}{2}$ per cent; offered inducement to reduce per cent by putting proceeds in case loan mkt; that large sums were being loaned on call in N.Y. by Boston bkr; that the Res. Co. had no control over these borrowings as the lending banks were not habitual borrowers from the M.A.; that putting up rates would not increase cust. rates as the large M.A. etc. etc. borrow from N.Y. banks at lower rates.

Mr. Stimp finally said he thought it would be well for Boston to increase, followed in successive weeks by Phila & Cleveland; that these increases should be made just before the N.Y. directors meeting and it would have a sobering effect on the

market would bear an increase by N.Y. and this object would be continuous until Phil Cleveland had increased.

a discussion arose over direct action which Miller said was a term invented by See Leffingwell. Ew S. said it could not succeed unless the Res Bd should refuse to reduce on any loan having loans on Wall St and that it should be able to do all speculative loans, real estate etc; that it would mean rating credit wh. would be disastrous. Ew S. said that something must be done on speculation in commodities was beginning.

James agreed as to Res. Phil & Cleveland and all did except Cunningham, it was voted that Ew C. & Ew S. see Sec. of Treasury the feeling of the Board.

Wed. Oct 28

Ew S. told Platt & myself that he felt keenly the lack of courtesy and attacks of certain members of the Board (Miller & James especially) & that 6 months ago he got Ew C. to ask Miller to come in and he told him that henceforth his relations w. the Bd would be purely official.

He added that he had received invitations to lunches, dinners etc (meaning Miller) but that henceforth he should decline them.

Wed. Oct Nov 6.

Meeting called to consider Boston increase in rate following our understanding at meeting w. Allen that came last week.

James moved to take Boston petition from the table where it was voted some time ago.

Suddenly Cunningham read a resolution to effect that the Bd would ~~approve~~ a rate of 4% on N.Y. to take effect immediately. On inquiry he stated he meant to have the Bd put in this rate at once and at his suggestion our resolution was slightly changed to make this clear.

He tried to explain why he wanted this but seemed very confused saying N.Y. was the place to begin increase but he did not seem very clear as to whether there should be any increase.

Miller said an increase at Res. Phil & Cleveland and increase at N.Y. he decidedly favored the latter and would

vote on Cunningham resolution. He said there was too much credit in the country & that N.Y. should be forced to increase. C. asked is such an increase would just up customer rates and he said No. He also admitted to C. that customer rates were high enough. James reminded Miller that the whole Board at the other night conference was in favor of the Boston Phil. Cleveland increase. Miller denied this altho he admitted he had said nothing to indicate his objection. Miller said if the N.Y. vote were voted down then he would vote on the Boston Phil. Cleveland increase.

Suddenly Miller thinks the N.Y. motion will be lost and is making a gesture!

An vote the N.Y. resolution was defeated, Cunningham & Miller alone voting aye & Geo C. James rest No.

An Motion of James the Boston vote was taken off the table and allowed Cunningham alone voting against it. Discussion followed as to when the increase should become objective.

James rest said we should follow the practice of the Bd & should be objective at close of business today. Geo C said should have object at close of bus. Monday and threatened to change the vote if this was not done.

Finally we tried to get Geo Harding but he was in N.Y. We thought he should be present when new rate was object & finally voted it objective at close of business Monday.

Miller at first objected and made a rather savage intimation that the Bd might meet as it had before which stirred up James.

Geo C said nothing as to attitude of the Treasury. as Geo C had been directed to inform Miller C. assumed this had been done.

Sat Nov 7

Geo Sterling told me this am he went over Boston the vote was, see Miller who allowed.

Sat Nov 7

called on Mrs Chandler Hall.

called on Gertrude Meyer at Mayflower hotel at 6 P.M. She made me stay to dinner to meet Richard & Mrs Olney.

Olney said Miller was very liberal as to debt settlements - that he did make an agreement w. Caullery but the Republic in the court could not agree: that Miller got more with him the closer than the near; that the Staher matter was hanging over; that Mr. Miller, Hurley & Crick were on very liberal settlements but that the Republic. from violentest reasons, would not agree.

Gertrude Meyer said she knew Mrs Lusk was engaged to Dr Rubbin; that it was scandalous for Rubbin to go abroad to see her at Geneva and visit her at Paris. I said he was at Geneva only 1 day and did not visit her at Paris but went straight to Cherbourg to sail home. She said the Patterson said she was engaged to Rubbin when she met the President and merely wrote Rubbin that she was so engaged; that it was

scandalous for her to leave Rubbin as her physician; that she and New Stoker were going where the marriage would be at Bethel. Chapel & Stoker so he could almost hear her when howling like Bengue's ghost.

I told her I did not believe there was a scandal of truth in the rumor but she insisted she knew it was true. She is a malevolent gossip!

called Bertie on telephone at 10.30 and had a nice talk.

Wed. Nov 11

approved abstract for 4% due. vote at Cleveland to take effect at close of term.

next Monday. Mr & Miller voted against Tuesday ^{at 10.15} ~~at 10.15~~ ^{on Monday}, as too long a time.
Thursd. Nov 12

Edith called me at 8.30 and asked me to dinner Sunday.

Sunday. Nov 15

Dined with Edith and later played pool. Edith asked me about Judge Covington. She said she felt she must have a lawyer to advise her from time to time and that

Mr. Barnard suggested Covington, who had acted for him. I told her I thought he was a very good man, but that I would make some quiet inquiries and let her know. She then asked me about Charles Warren. I said she could not get a better man. She said which would you choose for yourself. I said I should choose Warren for myself, and also that if questions of copyright, contracts etc should come up, he would be an ideal man. She said she had confidence in him but thought it might be better to have some man who could personally try cases if necessary and who had an office where which could handle any small matters, such as automobile accidents etc, and she feared Warren would not want the kind of small business. She said she would not make up her mind until I reported on Covington.

She also said that Mrs. Curtis had been in Johns Hopkins Hospital since ~~she~~ she came home from abroad.

She also said that while in N.Y. she bought a copy of Lodge's book and was reading it

in the train, when suddenly Harry White came and spoke to her; that he was becoming at Lodge's attack on him and said he had always supposed that Root & Lodge were his friends. (See Ser. 68 as to White's denial of Lodge's imputations).

She said Nancy Lane had come to N.Y. and asked Barnard to help her obtain a movie engagement; that Nancy had a bad case of Ecth.

Monday, Nov 16

called up Mr. Justice Mc Coy and asked him as to Covington, without mentioning Edith's name. He said Covington stood at the head of the bar, was a man of great abilities and that a client could trust absolute faith in him. I wrote this to Edith and she wrote back a most grateful letter, also suggesting names for trustees of the Carnegie Endowment.

Wed. Nov 18

Lunched at Club. sat next to a table containing Lansing & Bruce. Long after Lansing went out Long sat with me and said he had just explained to Lansing that he could not find time to write his life. He told me frankly there were many things he could not agree w. Lansing in in the state dept.

I cautiously referred to Ishii and Long at once said I knew he does not like me and went in to explain about objection to the appointment of a Jap. Gen. agent to go to China in 1919. He said Jahan had loaned Long some to China & the state dept felt it wrong to send a Jap. agent, and he called our Amb. in Japan to object; that later Jahan came in and expressed deep regret at this protest as Lansing had told him he had no objection; that he then called Ishii's attention to a talk on this subject a year back, and showed Ishii his notes showing he objected to a Jap. Gen. adviser; that Ishii remembered this perfectly and said that a week later he had talked with Lansing who agreed to the appointment; that later Ishii showed him the dispatch to the East based on Long's talk with him

and Long said Ishii introduced him to the correctly in his dispatch; that Jahan then read him & showed him the dispatch to the East following the talk with Lansing, stating that Lansing had agreed to the appointment; that Lansing was then abroad (1919); that he looked up Lansing's diary of appointments and nothing appeared in the alleged date of his talk w. Lansing; that he called Lansing who said he had no recollection of any such talk, but that any way conditions had now radically changed.

Long said this latter claim troubled him & did believe he thought Lansing must have said what Ishii alleged. Long also said that Wilson was in error in stating that he first heard of the secret treaty abroad in 1919; that he knew that Bolbore told Wilson of this in May 1919 at a secret conference at the White House; that he did not know whether Bolbore told Lansing or not.

Long told Long Lansing had told him he did know of this and that he had

so that it down in his diary but that shortly after Luning told the Senate Com. he did not know of them.

Luning said after 1919 to 1921 Wilson never sent a despatch or communicated with Luning; that he managed the State Dept during this period; that with the question arose wh. we should withdraw our troops from Russia to avoid an embroilment w. the Bolsheviks; that Luning did not tell him; that finally he wrote Luning to get Wilson to advise him what to do and shortly after a cable came from Wilson ordering the withdrawal.

Luning said Ray St. Baker was to have visited him at Nauvoo at this summer but had to go west; that he was glad to talk w. him but would write nothing; that his diary showed the substance of all he had to say.

I asked Luning if he would object to my writing Baker saying the substance of a speech taken w. him and he said he had no objection.

Thurs. Nov 19

Mr. Shreve, class C director of Nbk. Sav. 7. came into Board meeting. Shrove of resignation of Perrin to take effect Jan. 1, 1926. Said the real harm was the crime of chairman or Governor; that the directors considered Perrin's job limited to presiding at meetings of the Bd and that chairman must not do any work. Mr. Shrove did not agree with this view and thought the chairman should be free from the subordinate influence in the bank and should be consulted in all questions of policy. He said Perrin's resignation clearly raised an issue wh. the Bd must settle, at time it appointed a new man. He asked Mr. S. to prepare a memo. to show his ideas as to the functioning of the 2 offices and he said he would.

We then asked him and Mr. Moore the other class C director to look around and give us names from wh. to appoint a chairman.

Nov 20.

Nbk. increased its discount rate to 4% under

new approval of Board.

Sat. Nov 21

Randolph called me up about 4 P.M. to say that Mr. Balling had died early in the morning; that they were going to Weymouth via tomorrow & the funeral would be on Monday.

I at once wrote Edith a note and brought up some flowers to her. I saw Randolph but only for a minute.

I then telegraphed Berter at Albany.

Sund. Nov 22.

Ed took up report of when last came dated Nov. 2.

Ed moved to approve it.

The report stated that conditions pointed to an increase in discount rates rather than sale of securities in open market. Dr. Miller said securities should be sold in at least 100 millions, and advised a motion that 50 millions be sold at once, including 38 millions of Govt Sec maturing Dec 15 by anticipation.

Last. Miller, Platt & Cunningham - Argued
Ed. Gov. C. & James No.

Platt moved that it was sense of Board that the 38 millions of Govt Sec. be allowed to run off.

Ed objected on a substitute a motion that the Bd approve in general the report as of Nov 2, but decide on immediate meeting of the Com last com^o to consider whether changed conditions do not now call for a change in when last holders.

This was carried, all voting in favor except Platt.

Then Platt moved that question of running off of the 38 millions be one of the questions considered at meeting with the Com. Voted unanimously.

Harriet Hamlin wrote me that she is to be obligated when Sat. for fall stocks.

Wed. Nov 25

Ed wrote Purdy Coolidge stating address of Austin Chamberlain and Lord Cecil in the World Court, delivered before Inten. Club, Sept 7. 1925. (See Sec. Bd on copy of letter.)

S. P. M.

Mr. Strong & Harrison attended before Fed. Com. members, including Sec. Mellon was present.

Mr. S. told of origin, history of Belgium and relation of the Govt to the Nat. Bk. He said there was grave danger that the Belgian bank would collaborate with the French bank; that Belgium contemplated an issue of 100 millions in bonds and the bankers did not think it desirable until the Budget would be known. He said Bk of Belgium needed about 150 millions and that Bks of England, Sweden & Holland agreed to buy trade bills & banknotes - all on commercial undertakes, guaranteed by Bk of Belgium that they would be paid in currencies of issuing bank; that U.S. bankers were expected to buy 100 millions which could be guaranteed by Bk of Belgium on Treasury note in dollars or their equivalent; that the Belgian Finance Minister could write a letter that the Govt would not

prevent export of gold, if necessary; that minerals would be permitted but whole transactions to be covered up within one year.

Mr. S. asked authority, in behalf of the M. system to buy 5 millions of these, with an additional right, not to be much troubled to have 5 millions more, if necessary, as a maximum; he said the directors of N. Y. M. Bank were unanimous in favoring this.

It moved the Board with interest no objection to this.

Cunningham begged to have it come under the next meeting, although he saw no objection to it.

Mr. S. said quick action must be had as he might have to leave early Friday morning.

Finally Cunningham reluctantly agreed to a vote.

The vote was unanimous, except that Dr. Miller said the plan of financing must be submitted to Board for approval.

Sec. Mellon pointed out that the

was a negative vote, and that EWS could be trusted to secure a trouble guarantee. Finally Miller withdrew his objection and the vote was unanimous in COT's motion, seconded by the Tutor.

Winston, who was present, said that if the present minority were overthrown the Belgian debt agreement would come with it.

EWS said the present minority would undoubtedly be in power for a long time.

6 P.M.

Mrs. Chandler Hale telephoned asking me to come in, and I had a very pleasant call.

Nov 26. Thanksgiving Day.

Telephoned Bertie at Albany.

Wrote Edith a note quoting Brand's statement that the Council of the League dedicated the holiday ending of the Greco-Bulgarian dispute to the memory of Woodrow Wilson, who

conceived and realized the League of Nations.

Wrote Edith quoting Brand.

Sat. Nov. 24

Ned with Harriet went thru operation most successfully - no complications.
COT letter Randolph.

Sunday. 29

Edith calls up COT and asks him to come up to dinner.

After dinner, Edith, speaking of Lord Grey, said that her father did not want to meet Lord Grey when he came over the last time. She also says she believes, but does not know that Mr. Wilson was angry w. Lord Grey because of the manner in which he treated the 1916 Peace Conference.

Monday, 30

Meeting Soc. Council.

Tuesday, Dec 1

Meeting with other socialist comm.

Record of Board meeting calling for a meeting read. After vote read COT was called upon by Mr. C. to speak on the Resolution on Dr. Miller said COT introduced it. COT said it was a compromise between Dr. Miller and Platts views, Dr. Miller having said at the meeting that there should be a sale of Govt Sec. of at least 100 millions, as credit was most redundant & he feared an era of inflation. Mr. Platts had moved that the 38 millions Govt Sec. maturing Dec 15 be allowed to run off.

Dr. Miller questioned my statement as to 100 millions, & said his Motion called for only 50.

James insisted on reading whole record which showed Miller's view as to 100 m. and his Motion as to 50.

It was, COT pointed out, absurd to explain the Board's opinion without leaving the audience, and COT's Motion was accepted.

Mr. Stimpf then said it was wise to hold these 38 millions and release the Dec 15, but the sale of 50 millions would

have little effect now but might have great effect if sold after 1st of the year when large liquidation is expected.

Mr. S. ^{said} we must face the issue squarely, the desire of Dr. Miller is deflation pure & simple. He then went over the history of the country, showed that the stock speculation was under control, that stocks were not over-bought since 1913. He was level; that moderate was necessary and prices fairly stabilized. He pointed out that customer rates were not low but really were high; that an increase in discount rates could be the only way to bring about the deflation Dr. Miller wanted, and that such an increase would be followed by an increase in customer rates; that it might result in bringing more gold into the country & further stabilization of Britain, and in creating uncertainty in our own. Mr. S. said the directors were a unit against adv. rates now, although of course in time they might have to put them up; that Bd. of Eng. must

soon go up to 5%, but that our rates and our ^{not} money should ^{not} be changed. The other members of the Open Mkt Com^{ee} all agreed with Ew. Strong.

Ew S. also pointed out that the Fed had allowed a month to elapse before taking up the Open Mkt Com^{ee} report, and that meant the Sec. of Treas. had respected the Bureau. He said in saying that the 38 million Fed could be replaced.

^{Wed.}
~~Wed.~~ ^{am} Dec 3

In ^{am} P.M. Ew S. told us that Belgium would probably be able to raise the 100 million in a month, as the difficulties about the Budget were being cleared up.

He emphasized

Board voted to approve plan of Ew S. to replace & not let run off the 38 million Fed.

Ew C. Crot & James Ayl

Miller & Platt. Do.

at the Vado C. meeting it was voted ^{unanim.} that no increase in rate was desirable.

Mr. Wetmore said the speculation in the call loan market had increased customer rates 1%; Ew Strong said this was nonsense.

a motion was made to accede to Perrin's resignation from the Mkt Com^{ee} S. 7

Crot moved to postpone this until Perrin replied to his letter asking if his resignation was final.

Dr. Miller then said that he had told Perrin the opposition in the Board to him was so great that he ought to resign, and further that James had taken Perrin with him to lunch & expressed the same view.

Crot said this was the best time he had heard of this, and asked if Miller & James should

on the Board; they both said they
shape only personally, but I have my
doubts.

Er C. shape of the latter opposite of
Coul. He looked to Perrin.

I told the Bd that we should have
to give the man that in Perrin's place
instructions which would in substance
induce Perrin views as to duties of
Chairman.

Dr Miller expressed the deep regret at
Perrin's resignation; said he considered
him one of the ablest chairmen in
the system; that the conference w.
B. Calhoun had practically subsided.

This statement of Miller & James, calling
in object for a resignation without any
authority from the Bd, is to my mind
extraordinary, and I shall put on the
record my protest.

Wed. Dec 3.

Dr Rubbin came out to be examined again so
as to check up Dr Harrison's examination. C. C.
thinks he exhibits trouble with the gall
bladder.

9 am. C. C. goes to Dr Christie, 1909 Main Ave.
He gave barium to drink, and stomach
and gall bladder examined. Dr C. vigorously
massaged the region about gall bladder
but it was not in the slightest degree
sensitive.

Then C. C. drank another glass and
history was taken.

at 3 C. C. ate and more history
again. He then drank another glass
of milk & barium, for tomorrow morning
exam. Has eaten nothing since 7.30
last night.

Told to eat a good dinner which I did.

Thurs. Dec 4

9 am. at Dr Christie. He took photos
of C. C. standing up and vigorously
massaged & tapped region of gall
bladder - no sensitiveness. Shape of
accumulation of faecal matter at rectum

end of column, wh. he said accounted for all
irritation & pain on left side.

Then cist was given an enema of barium
and more treatment later.

11.30. Received letter from Nish, Henry Rutter
saying he wanted last season's allotments
on Amer. Com^{tee} increased to 10000 for next
summer, also allotment of 5000 for
sending Amer. teachers to Geneva to
study leaflet.

cist at once telegraphed hearty approval
of both, based on 3 weeks study at
Geneva this last summer. cist could not
attend because of his X ray tests.

Wed. Dec 2 (contd)

Ernest told cist he had spoken to Tom
slung about my rabbit and he expressed
himself as warmly in favor of it.

Wed
~~Thursday~~ Dec 2

Bo. of England inc. direct rate to 5%

Sat. Dec 5.

Mr. Ben Arnold called in Bertha 10 days ago in
Albany and gave her an account, together with
of a seance she had attended in N.Y. some
time in Oct. conducted by John W. Vickner.
She met Edward S. Martin of "Lib" in the
street one day while she was walking
w. one of the living girls. Mr. Martin
invited them to go with him to this
seance. They were not introduced to
Mr. Vickner. About 25 west 118th St.,
N.Y. Robert Underwood Johnson.

The medium was "Black Hawk" who from
time to time would call out names
of those present, and say that some
relative wished to speak with them,
whereupon he would deliver the
message.

During the middle of the seance he
called out - Anna Hamilton! Mr. Arnold
answered Yis. Whereupon he delivered

the following message from Anna:-

"This is more difficult than I thought.
I see now why the troubles of getting words
back and forth have not been expedited. It
is all in the mind, thought moving
from one to another but the fact that a
word does come now and then is
better than thousands of words of
argument. I don't want to give any more."

There was no horrible way in which her
refusal or any one there had ever heard
of Anna. Her Arnold had never mentioned
Anna's name & was completely surprised
when it was mentioned.

Friday, Dec 4

went to Dr. Neff with Sister

He went with Dr. Christie about which
was about like Dr. Joslin's except that
he found the calcium largely increased
in size and found some hypermobility.
He found the Gall bladder negative
as did Dr. Joslin.

He made an appointment with Dr. Merrill

at Garbield Hospital on next Wed. 8.30 am to
have another test of Gall bladder.
He said he would send me a copy,
wrote Dr. Joslin.

Sat. Dec 5.

Orlando asked to serve on a com^{tee} to
arrange a dinner in Wilson's birthday,
Dec 28, and com^{tee} accepted.

Orlando told com^{tee} the Carnegie Board
voted \$10000 for the Amer. Com^{tee} at
Geneva on next summer, and also
\$5000 to send Amer. teachers abroad to
study the L. of N. at Geneva.

Later Orlando called on H. H. and told
me Butler managed the meeting
admirably & there was no obstacle.
He said Butler had written eminent
men all over the world asking
suggestions and criticisms of the Peace
work of the fundation; that all replied
enthusiastically except Ramsay MacDonald
who criticized the work mercilessly,
saying it had spent \$750000 on no
practical purpose; that some of the
trustees were indignant but Orlando

said he agreed with Macdonald; that the only practical work on Place the Foundation had ever done was to have the \$4000 advocated by C.H. last April; that Butler said he agreed to this, and that if the Foundation could not have it and keep the work of the L. of N. - the only practical work on Place, in which 55 Nations were interested, there was no further use for it to exist.

Bertie asked whether James Brown Scott objected and Delano said, "No, he knows his new Master's voice".

Monday Dec 7
Tuesday Dec 8

C.H. and Cunningham go to Pluda to meet the conference groups which take the place of stockholder meeting.

Tuesday Dec 8
Wednesday Dec 9

Last week Mr John Drum, of Merc. Trust Co. San Fran. & asked us to reconsider our refusal a year or so ago to permit Merc. Tr. Co. to operate branches its subsidiary had bought as branches, at Burlingame & Vallejo. When originally before us Peerin gave an adverse recommendation solely on the ground that they were beyond the area defined as contiguous territory by the Board.

The com^{ee} in ex-amine, Platt and James agreed to suggest to the Board, that the com^{ee} examine into the advisability of extending the contiguous territory as previously defined, consulting with the W.Bank and the State Dept of Banks. Miller objected to changing this area but said that Drum should be given this privilege, because he had originally filed a blanket application, before the expiration of the time limit for petitions outside of the defined area, it being stipulated that petitions filed within this period, could be granted either inside the proposed defined area;

motion should be granted.

Motion was carried.

Aye: W. C. Miller, Platt and C. C.

No: Mr. Sutor, Cunningham & James.

a motion was then made that the Executive Committee consider & report on advisability of extending the definition of contiguous territory to cover this new area, said Committee to consult w. the Fed. R. Bank and State Dept of Banking.

Carried.

All voted Aye except Cunningham who voted

No.

Wed. Dec 9

Went to Fairchild Hospital to have a gall bladder test. Short day & night there.

Sunday. Dec 13

Edith called on us and sent her auto. to take us to drive. afterwards we called at the House and she drove home with us.

Wed. Dec 15.

Board took up reports of Com^r on salaries, among other things we approved the proposed increases of N. Y.; C. S. Jay to \$4000, Harris to \$3000 etc.

The N. Y. bank had brought about a tremendous decrease in expense. It costs now less than the last year in old building although we all thought there would be a great increase.

Mr. Miller & Cunningham voted No on many of the increases.

When it came to the Buffalo branch the Board rejected the proposed salary for the Manager - \$1800 - and substituted \$1500. C. C. alone voted No and James did not vote.

C. C. begged the Board to ask Stuy to come down and explain the \$1800, saying that we should hear the witness before voting. Platt said, - I hope in just - let's vote first and hear the witness afterwards - which the Board did.

C. C. explained that \$1800 seemed to

him excessive, but he wished to hear the
evidence before deciding the matter & he
voted No.

Dec 17. Monday.

Sen. & Mrs. Bruce called. He said Sen. Peabody was a very
appreciable man but had no connections, ability,
-mity, was slightly and wasn't used and not
intellectually honest.

Dec 18. Tuesday

Mrs. Bruce takes Bette to viewing of the
would count debate, and she lunches with
her at the Senate.

Dec 20. Sunday

We have supper with Sen. Anderson and
Mrs. Jones. Sen. Jones said Sen. Butler came
into the Senate saying that he was the
leader by virtue of his position as Chairman
of the Natl Com^o; that he calmly looked
out Sen. Sumner's seat as his own but he
soon learned the truth.

He said Sen. Peabody had lost already all
the reputation he had when he entered
the Senate.

Dec 21. Monday.

Sen. P. H. & W. C. called a special meeting of
Board. Mr. Strong had called up saying large
amounts of money were being withdrawn
from N. Y. by interest bearing means of which
had been loaned on call; that rates had
gone up to 6% on stock exchange; that the
N. Y. banks find it trouble the situation; that
they had already reduced heavily and did
not want to reduce more because of the
combination call as they did not want
to appear as such heavy borrowers, which
as often ten days or so legislation would
set in; that the Union Natl Com^o had
voted unanimously to buy 15 or 20 millions of
Govt Sec. to hold the matter over; that he
asked approval of Board.

Huller was very angry and said this would
be directly feeding the stock market and
that we should refuse.

Call said it made no diff. whether the
money was procured by reductions or by
other Natl purchases so long as the stock
market was concerned; that it would be
benefitted in any event. Call asked Mr.
Huller if he objected to the banks.

recounting on this morning and he said No.

Ed said that he was in Ew C.'s office before the meeting and talked w. Ew Stimp - who was talking with Cummings; that Stimp said he made the request purely on business & industrial conditions; that buying interest rates were bad for business as they might affect com. some ultimately.

Ed remembered and that Mr. Whitman of Chicago a member of the Fed. Council said at the joint meeting that bus. rates had been increased 1% by the stock market speculation.

After lunch later we adjourned until tomorrow, Ew C. to talk again with Stimp meantime.

Dec 22. Tues

Board met at 3. P. M.

Ed talked w. Stimp via telephone. He reiterated that request of when Ed's com. was based on com. & ind. conditions & not primarily on stock market. He was very independent w. Miller & said

he was trying to put the Com. & the Board in a false position; that he should leave the matter w. Sec. Miller & the President.

at the meeting Ew C. stated Stimp's point again and asked the pleasure of the Board. For a moment there was no response. Finally Ew C. said to Miller; "Have you any motion to make?" Miller said No, he felt the Board would vote approval and he should make no motion but would merely vote against approval.

There was some further discussion in wh. Miller loses no heart.

Finally Ed received approval, saying that too much had been said by Miller as to the stock market; that this was a condition & not a theory; that vast sums were being drawn out of N.Y. by Bpe in interest; that all agreed that add'l. funds must be provided, either by Reducts or when not there, even Miller agreeing to this; that the Bpe did not want to add to their heavy reduts as they did not want

to show such heavy indebtedness at time of
 controllers call; that Geo S. said that the
 helping interest rates (now 6%) might
 react on bus. & com. interests; that the
 other part could well understand, &
 that he (Cott) moved to approve as a
 means of reducing bus. & com. interests.

An vote it was carried:

Aye. Geo. C. Cott, James and Conrad.
 Nefutok.

No. Miller, Cunningham

Geo C. before the vote said the N.Y.
 directors had voted unanim. directly
 Geo S. to buy 15 to 18 millions of Govt
 Sec. for use of N.Y. bonds.
 Miller made no comment on this.

Prior to the meeting Wright told me that
 the regulations proposed on Dec 14
 were not a condition precedent to
 report of a report to buy Govt Sec;
 that the Bd had made no report
 & the Bd had a report to buy.

after the meeting Geo C. said Miller was
 acting with Howell and was trying to
 embarrass the Bd; that Sec. Miller said
 the same and was very indignant at
 Howell, who, he said, had talked to
 him about some most matters criticizing
 the Bd; that Miller was very indignant
 at Miller also and asked Geo C. when
 he had expressed, & Geo C. said it had
 only begun.

James also thinks Miller is not loyal
 to the Board.

I am satisfied Miller is interfering w.
 Howell. (See memo to 65, Vol. X.)

Dec 22. Tuesday

Bertie goes with Mrs. Wilson to Leesburg. Va
 to lunch with Edith Curtis.

Ned spends the day with me.

In the am we addressed before a Navy
 Board asking for transfer of the
 Law Posters.

Dec 25. Christmas day.

We lunch with Mrs Biddle and dine with Col & Mrs Alexander Rogers. We were also visited by Mrs Wilson, Mrs Charles Warren and Emma & Miss Hyle.

Dec 28. Sunday

Served as one of com^{rs} at dinner to celebrate birthday of Woodrow Wilson at Mayflower Hotel. Others present.

Dr Sam Eliot and Newton Babler spoke. The addresses were all very fine, especially Eliot's.

Dr Miller was there!

(Dec 20 contd)

Sen Jones said he originally asked Sen Lane as to Miller's politics and Lane represented him as an Independent, not even suggesting that he was a Democrat, wh. Sen. Jones believed he is most decidedly not.

Dec. 20. 1925

Dec. 31. Thursday.

at 3 PM Mr Stimp and Mr Norman came before the Board and Mr N. answered questions and talked for 1 1/2 hours.

Mr N. said that unemployment was still bad in England tho' a little improved; that there were 1,200,000 out of work; that normally, however, there always had been 500,000 unemployed; that migration was the only hope; that most of those who were out of work were not fit to migrate; that it cost about \$200 per man.

He said there was a faint sign of industrial revival, and that other good signs were:-

1. The successful maintenance of the gold standard at rates not over 5% when everyone predicted 7 or 8%.
2. The Locarno Treaty
3. The settlement of the N & S. of Ireland boundary line

On the other hand, the coal situation was bad.

He said prices had fallen only a little since the gold standard was abolished, but that they must fall later.

He said our high call loan rate seriously affected E.H.B. as to holding the gold as they made the bank rate negligible.

He explained fully the Belgian situation, caused entirely by Belgium taking over the franc issued by E.H. during the occupation of Belgium.

He did not favor a controlled gold standard, said it was good only for those countries, i.e. a controlled currency, and hinted that Austria & Hungary would even adopt a real gold standard.

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Jan 1. Friday

Went to White House. President C was very cordial and Mrs C sent her remembrance to Bertha.

Lawrence Warr told me one day last week at lunch at the Cosmos Club that Mr. Galt, the newspaper correspondent, probably as near to Coolidge as any newspaper man, told him that President Coolidge knew more of what the trouble was than any other President; that his only policy was to put his ear to the ground, find out what was

wanted and then proceed to do it; he also told Warr that he believed Coolidge was getting ready to accept the L.O.V.; that he saw evidence of a wave of public opinion for it; that he was about satisfied that in observing it in the West, he had lost his money on the wrong horse.

The Boston Herald, Thursday, Dec. 24, 1925, announced that the Army Board, before which Ned argued the case, had reported to the chief of staff that the channel opposite the case harbor should be at once surveyed with a view to deepening it to 30 feet to accommodate future development of commerce (See Serch book, on hearing and finding of Board).

Jan 4. Mond.

Mr C told me that in the morning of Dec 31 Miller came into his room where Mr Norman was then and had long talk with him talking very severely about the duties of E.H.B. and that Mr Norman told him he was very much disturbed and annoyed at what he said.

Miller evidently got then from Howard.

Mr C also said Sen Leavitt had written him another letter stating almost exactly the facts of the Board over N.Y. Street loan, when we considered the reply to Sen Leavitt's first letter. Mr C said it was weird to him that some one on the Board had submitted this information to Sen. Leavitt and he believes Miller "leaked" to Hoover and that Hoover transmitted Leavitt's second letter. If this is so it is decidedly

indeed!

Jan. 5. Tuesday. Not voted to discuss Allen's letter and to consider all other matters in Council of the whole. This had in fact been done since Feb. 5. 1925.
Jan 6. Wed. In vol. X. p. 77.

Mr Harding writes that the B. Herald on Jan 4 mentions the possibility of my running for Gov if not nominated in the N. Board.

Mr H also said John F. Fitzgerald told him Walsh wanted me to run for Gov.

Mr H said Fitzgerald also said he had just had an hour's talk w. Sen. Butler; that he asked him who would be nominated & that he said I would be if I were not nominated in the Board; that Sen Butler did not live this side but he immediately said that

had made an excellent mistake and that he was simply in favor of his nomination.

I at once thanked Mr H. and said some of the Directors should talk this over with Butler and then with Sec. Miller and the President.

I call up Sen. Glass and tell him of the proposed amendment to the N. Act allowing 90 day direct notes of Member Banks to Alaska, secured by deposite notes, (not by Gov Sec) to be rediscounted, under limitations & restrictions of the N. Board. Glass said he saw no harm to object to this. He also expressed the earnest hope that I would be nominated.

Jan 5. Tuesday

We dined with Adm. & Mrs. Helen. Edith and Nandobbe also were there and called on us at the Hotel and brought us home. Adm. Helen was ill and Judge Moor, a very nice congressman, took the place. Edith told me she had taken

judge Livingston in council and had had an interview with him today. I told her she ought surely to have him go over any notes she may have signed with Mr. Baker as to the Propriety - that this was very important.

Jan 7. Thursday.

The Board agree in a letter to Mr. Fadden in the bill, 1892. We combined ourselves to Nat. bk. clause principally where. See 5200, making no mention of branches. all the alternative members were present and it was unanimous. Prof. Shrago was present.

Ad approved message from 3 1/2 to 4% of Mbank of N.Y. objection from 8.

Jan 9.

~~went to see Livingston~~

Jan. 8.

Mr. Platt reported on amendment to MFA allowing members banks to give their notes to Mbank on advancements up to 90 days when secured by eligible

notes (but not by Govt bonds).

This had been recommended by Mr. Fadden and approved by the MFA & F. Also Mr. Waring approved it w. certain suggestions, and Mr. F. saw no objection to it. We put in a clause - subject to condition, restrictions & limits of the M Board so as to keep control in our hands. This morning, it was stated were not needed by the large banks, but only by small banks. The small banks that borrow from their correspondents pledging say 120% of collateral. at the present time these small banks don't redeem w. Mbank, but they could only redeem the particular note they obtain, and if a note had some technical fault it would take some time to correct it and mean time they could not get the redempt. We felt if they could give a direct note pledging say 120% of eligible paper as collateral the redeem. defect of any one note would be thereby cured by the other collateral thus offsetting the matter. Mr. moved approval of the amendment.

& Miller then offered a motion to adjourn the 15 day note. This was at once voted on and failed by a tie vote:-

Aye. W.C. Miller & Cunningham

No. C.H. Platt and James.

Finally it was agreed to reconsider the vote and take it up when the Sec. of Treasury could be present, or also C.H.'s Motion.

W.C. said the 1st Note of N.Y. was borrowing 115 millions in these 15 day notes and loaning it in the stock exchange at 6 to 7%.

C.H. said this could be corrected by the stamp or, if not, by a special rate higher than the discount rate as done by B.A. of England in 7 day advances.

C.H. said this had never been discussed in the Board or at any conference, and we should take counsel before acting.

This did not satisfy Miller.

Jan 9. Sat

C.H. goes to Winston's office. He and the Sec. are very much disturbed at Miller's motion and said it would

seriously interfere w. Treasury operations etc. He and the Sec. also Sec. H. were very angry w. Miller. He said he was satisfied that Miller & Hoover were working together and had egged on Sen. Davenport to write him two letters, as they could argue points he did not have written w. out help.

Jan. 10. Sunday

We lunch with Mrs. Wenthworth Cowdin and she had called & her sister, her relatives, and ex congressman Dick Whalley of Charleston, S.C. He went abroad as one of the conf. com^{tee} with Sen. Glass and others. He said he, Sen. Glass & Mr. Bryan lunched with Mr. Pershing at Chantilly at the time an armistice was first being talked of; that Gen Pershing was vehemently in favor of going on to Berlin and of taking Sedan. He said it would mean the killing of at least 250,000 American boys, but that he wanted to do it, in order, specially, as he said, to turn the American soldiers loose in the women of Germany and let them have a taste of what the German army had done to the women

of Belgium and France. He said Sen. Elan wrote down every word he said in his diary.

Edith calls Mr. Edith. She spoke of the rumor in the Tribune this morning that Sen. Johnson was to marry Leopold Stokowski leader of the Philadelphia symphony orchestra and said it was true; that Sen. J. wanted her to come on, but, although a quiet wedding, she felt it might be somewhat conspicuous in view of Stokowski, and she finally made up her mind not to go on. I think really she did not abhor the marriage although she did not say so.

Jun. 11. Monday. Comm. Club ann. election. Let give farewell cheer

Jun 12. Tuesday

Edith calls Mr. Bester and asks us to dinner tomorrow evening and asked Bertie to read her speech; Pa. Sen. & Mac

Jun 13 Wed.

Miller motion to abolish 15 day collect. member vote by an amendment to Miller was defeated, 5 to 2.

Aye. Miller & Cunningham

No. Sen. C. C. Platt. James. Count of cum.

Sen. C. reversed the vote previously given by him. Miller tried to persuade him Sen. C. eloped he was, without avail and much to our amusement. Sen. C. said he thought the measure was about bad, but yet voted against repealing it. Sen. H. sent word he was about allowed to Miller amendment.

The report of C. C. & Platt permitting direct vote collected by eligible voters up to 90 days was passed, 6 to 1.

Aye. Sen. C. C. Platt. Cunningham, James count. of cum.

No. Miller.

A reply was also had to a new letter from Sen. Llewellyn - referred to previously - and it was voted to send.

all voted on it except Miller who asked to be recorded as not voting.

Miller said Sen. Harmon told him when he had the call from voters made the date, vote of the Mass. of N.Y. negligible and that he could not

understand why the disc. rate had not
 long ago been increased.

We dined with Edith and Bertie read her
 sketch, "Pa. Ma. & Ma". Edith said it was
 wonderfully well done and said she
 would like to send it to Belle Baugh
 as she felt she could arrange to have
 the Non Partisan League publish it. We
 agreed to this.

at the meeting or lunch of the Wom. Gen.
 club, Mrs. Harrison addressed brief
 on curio. After the lunch she had a
 conference w. Bertie and her ^{small} ~~friend~~ ^{& the whole Com^y}. Speaking
 of the election she said the club must
 choose some outstanding woman other
 than herself for Presdt. She was the
 told of the action of the Wom. Council and
 thereupon she blew into a rage and said
 now that the club was breaking
 it turned around and "railroaded"
 her out of the Presidency. Mrs. Allen
 explained that the by laws forbade
 a Presdt being selected more than
 once, but she said she had never

heard of a man such a by-law. It was the
 read to her but it must be understood
 on this she was so business. She said the
 nominations were not trusted but she was
 assured that they had been. She said she
 all she had done for the club - having
 at \$2000 - it was extraordinary for her to
 be treated so. They assured her that the
 club would try her interest for the
 most & best. She said she thought
 the Natl Gen Council had guaranteed it
 but they told her it was not so.

She said to escape her Jones Presdt was
 ridiculous - she could not shake a
 thread well: she asked as to the
 vice Presds and when told they were
 Mrs. Hubbard and Mrs. Allen, she said
 "My God! What a state!"

She said she should have been consulted
 by cable. They told her they had
 tried to get in touch with her but that
 no one - not even the maid in her
 house - knew when she would
 return, and that the expense of cabling
 made it impossible.

She said Mrs. Huston Thompson or Bertie

would have been but for Frost but it was
explained that all. of the oblique hints
of the purchase, this was imbecile.
altogether she made a ludicrous exhibit
of herself.

Edith told me that when in N.Y. in Dec. 28. 25 she met Houston at the Davis's; that she told him she had heard the rumor that he was writing & was about to publish a Book of Reminiscences, and that she intended to tell him that she was not willing to have Presb. Wilson's private correspondence printed, but that he told her that altho' he had written a book, he had no present intention of publishing it; - that that was a request not to be decided in the near future. Edith said he was so honest she made no mention of Presb. Wilson's letters.

She said when she returned to Cambridge
she was shown ^{Doubleday, Pa.} ~~her~~ ~~the~~
official announcement of the
publication, dated Dec. 18; that the
University wrote Hunter a letter stating

that the unequivocal denial of any intention
of leaving the cause in the new outline
made it seem unnecessary to speak to her
of her wish as to Protest against abolition;
that the announcement by ^{Thursday, 14th} ~~last~~, ~~stand~~
led of immediate publication, however,
made it well to tell her her views
which she proceeded to do.

She said she showed him to Judge Crompton
who said the letter showed signs of
a good angle and would be well worth
pursuing if obtained; that therefore she
obtained it & sent it.

She showed me Hueston's reply - a
typical wretched letter. It was very
waxing and not coming. He said the
only threat letter he referred to in the
house was Wilson's reply to the letter
sent just as the term of office was
expiring, - evidently a letter to be
introduced on his self glorification.
Edith said Hueston had deliberately
deceived her and she was greatly
stirred and indignant. Edith agrees
with her.

She also said Hunter would not come

to the dinner, attending another engagement; that there was a private dinner given to Madam de la Roche in the Union dinner, but that P. managed to attend both; that Houston had accepted the private dinner before the Union dinner was announced; that Davis called Mr Houston and begged him to come, but he said he could not; that Davis said to H. that he owed all he had in the world to Union and should come but that he could not meet him.

Jan 14. Thursday

Mr Rice arrived corner club, 10 P.M.

Jan 15. Friday

Board given leaving on Thursday at 11 o'clock in S. West part of Rich. District.

Mr Rice comes to dinner.

He said he met Mr Norman in Albany at Mr & Mrs Wadsworth's; that Mr N. spoke much of Anna & his acquaintance with her at New Haven; said he met Mr C. in Wash. but not Bertie.

Bertie told him how she telephoned him

when in London with Anna and got her Secretary on the telephone, giving her address and asking if she and Anna could be shown over the Bank of England; that she heard nothing from him until one day when he sent her cards to Bertie's apartment, and then asked the matter although they were there two weeks.

When Mr N. was last in Wash. with Stanley Baldwin, we gave them both a large official dinner, and Mr N. took also a family dinner with us. I remember telling him at the time that Anna wanted to see the Bank of England and he said they were in London, to be sure and call on him and he would be only too happy to show them or, at least, have them shown over the Bank.

The secret evening was in marked contrast to that of Mr & Mrs Baldwin who barely outdid themselves in entertaining Bertie and Anna.

Anna was terribly disappointed as she looked on Mr N. as a good

perried.

when Mr N was here two or three weeks ago I was perfectly courteous to him but gave him no chance to talk with me and when our conference was over I at once shook hands with him and bade him good bye. He acted as if he wanted to say something about Bertha and Anna but I gave him no opportunity.

Jan. 17. Sunday.

Lunched w. Ned & Ann Olan. Dined w. Mr & Mrs Lanning.

Charles Warren called and said he sent to Miller a few days ago at a dinner; that he thought Adolph had taken an extra cue-bail he was so eloquent; that Adolph began talking of the effort in the Board in 1915 to cut down VA districts; said that he was the savior of the situation as he defeated the attempt by his vote; that Sec. Lane came to him and said President Wilson was sorry he favored cutting down; that he told Lane he was very much mistaken as he was on the President's side in the dispute and

always had been; that after the attempt had been killed by him, the President sent him a most grateful letter!

I could scarcely believe my ears, the above statement is so bold. As Vol. 3 of my diaries will show, the Board Com^{ee}, all favoring cutting down, was Warburg, Harding and Olan. The Com^{ee} got Miller to sit in with them secretly - the Com^{ee} being a majority of the Board. Finally they shouted that the districts should be cut down. In the latter row which followed Miller sided unequivocally with the Com^{ee} and even voted to table a motion of C&D that the Com^{ee} should be expelled as wh. They built their wharf. Miller denied that he had been sitting with the Com^{ee}, but in being cross examined by C&D and Williams he admitted bluntly that he had sat with them & finally even admitted that he had written the whole report. Lane several times said in the Board meeting that the Com^{ee} had a majority of the full Board; wh. meant Miller had won the vote; at no time

when the statement was made that Miller
 deny it all the later he said he had had
 an other mind throughout. The matter
 was not settled by Miller's vote; it was
 settled by the opinion of the Attorney
 General obtained by call the President under
 that the President had no such power and
 finally Delano moved to lay the whole
 matter on the table. At the meeting
 Miller bitterly criticized Wood Wilson
 on his executive interference.

It is very probable that Lane
 spoke to Miller, but it was apparent that
 Miller seemed scared as the fight
 approached and we thought he was
 weakening and getting ready to "buckle"
 and desert his fellow conspirators.
 as a part Wood Wilson seriously considered
 asking Miller on his resignation because
 of his conduct, and that on call's
 protest I firmly believe he would
 have done so. See *Franklin* 60, 63-66. 157. (see 2:15)

Bette tells me that the Richard Aldrich
 told her that she was calling on the
 Miller and day after Wilson ceased to

be President, and they were both so violent
 against her Wilson that she left the house
 in indignation.

Warren also said he had heard them
 often bitterly attack her, Wilson.

Jan. 19. Tuesday

Edith calls in and thanks me for
 sending her Sam Chute's speech on Wilson,
 numbered Jan 18 in the conf. Record.

Jan. 20 Wed.

Edith calls me at Waring and says
 James Brown Scott has just written her
 enclosing the Wilson resolution of the
 Carnegie Board which was voted on
 about 16. 1925. Some days ago I called
 on Scott's office & said her Wilson had
 never received it, and this is the
 response. It began, "Dear Madam" and
 ended "Very truly yours".

Edith read the proposed reply which
 as suggested by call began "Dear Sir"
 and ended "Very truly yours".

It is extraordinary that Scott, in spite
 of his dislike of Wilson, could not

have sent this Resolution before. Had it not
 been for me I believe it never would have
 been sent & it is an extraordinary coincidence!

The Wash. Star of Monday Jan 18 had an article
 by David Lawrence stating that Coolidge had
 just designated Marvin as chairman of
 the Tariff Comⁿ; that Coolidge wanted to
 designate Dennis, a Democrat, and a friend
 of his, but that the Hon. Nelson said
 it was about all to happen & that
 & that Sen Butler wanted him designated,
 and that it would help Butler in his
 senatorial campaign, - that it would be
 difficult enough to elect him anyway.

See sketch book a few days ago on
 change that Coolidge insisted on making
 one of the Tariff Comⁿ get from the House.
 - then before appointing him, in order to
 have a hold on him.

Jan 21. Thursday.

Some days ago I asked Sen Nelson and she
 said she never had received the letter res.
 - letter of the Carnegie Board dated Apr. 16, 25
 I called up the Trustee office and asked
 if it ever had been sent. The as. Sec. said
 he would look it up.

On Jan 20, James Brown Scott wrote me:-

"You will be glad to know we have just
 received the enclosed reply from Mrs. Nelson
 in regard to the resolution of the Board of
 Trustees which I trust the pleasure of
 sending this in behalf of the Carnegie
 Endowment. I am,

always sincerely yours

James Brown Scott.

Reading this casually one would assume
 that the Resolution had been duly sent
 just after its passage - Apr. 16, 25 - and
 that Mrs. W. had only at this late
 date - Jan 20, 1926, acknowledged it.
 as a fact Scott sent it on Jan. 19, 1926!
 This clearly shows Scott's assumption
 towards President Coolidge's letter. Had it
 not been for my telephone message

I believe he never would have sent it.

(See Sarah Box)

Edith called Mr. Edith and told her of above.
attended dinner of Potomac Group. Oct.

Jan 22. Friday

Wrote work containing first installment
of Houston's new book.

Edith told Edith of this via telephone.

Jan 23. Sat.

Edith gave lunch at corner club to Louis
J. Baker of Columbus, Ohio, Master of the
Nat Group. Prescott: - See. Jardine of Dept
of Agriculture; Miss Platt and Cunningham of
Ford; & Carl Bloomer.

I told them that last summer we raised in
our farm a Hubbard squash weighing 86 lbs!

Edith asked me to come in and we go there
about 9 P.M. I read her New South China
address in London.

She told Bertie Miss Barnard said the
reader liked his essay Pa Ma & she very
much but thought it too harsh on the

new Harlan League, but would relent oblige
later.

In the afternoon Mrs. Pennington called and
said she wanted a short statement of
what Mr. Wilson had said ~~at the~~ and
she would publish it. She had spoken
of this before and Bertie said Mrs. Pennington
said Sen. Glass say he. was the
best man to do it. She said Mrs. Wilson
did not want him, as he had published
a sketch of Mr. Wilson full of error and
submitted it to her; that she told him
not to publish it but he did.

Edith conferred this this evening.

Mrs. Pennington asked Edith to publish
such a statement and Edith did also.

Jan 24. Sunday

Harry Tinsley called. He said that he was
visiting Gen. Wesley in N.H. some 18 months
before Wilson was mounted on Prescott and
Mrs. Cleveland came to lunch; that she
told him in response to his praise of
Wilson, that he could not vote for
that man, as her husband, ex. Pres.

Cleveland, had said he was intellectually dishonest. He also said he met her again in California in 1919, and that she told him there was absolutely nothing in the Peck letters discreditable to President Wilson; that he was always interested in bright women.

Jan 26. Tuesday

Edith called to say she was going South tomorrow night for two weeks, - to So. Cal. - evidently to the Baruches.

No 1. Mond.

Dined w. Mrs. Squire. She had her & her Roland Morris, of Alaska.

No 2. Tues.

At Dr. Robbins' request was examined by Dr. Herman C. Martin, 1107 16th St., to learn that kind of intestine sound which X Rays can not disclose. He gave me a thorough examination by sound of the abdomen etc and then put me a long tube w. an electrode taped in it. He finally said there was absolutely no trouble of that a nervous, irritability, which would in time disappear.

No 4. Thurs.

Lunched with Mr. Will, newspaper consultant. He told me Bertie had read him at the Wom. Dem. Club the editorial on Carter Glass's trouble (written by C.H.) on Bishop Lawrence's eulogy of Lodge, and had sent it to the Pulitzer Prize jury, and had received word that it was not sent too late; that he thought it was one of the most brilliant pieces of editorial writing he had ever seen and that he felt it would be a formidable combatant on the "1000" page.

Last night Mrs. Pennington told me she would give \$150 towards the expense of printing Bertie's essay, - Pa. Ha & He, - in the Bulletin published by the Wom. Nat. Com^{tee}, as a supplement, and also for printing 1000 copies in pamphlet form, to be sold for benefit of the Wom. Dem. Club, and Mrs. Cunningham, rep. the Nat Com^{tee} told Bertie that altho she had said it would cost \$350 she had arranged to print it on the faith of the above subscription and \$25 we said we would give, as she had

some money in reserve held on an earlier number of the Bulletin which had not, in fact been printed.

Mr. Ham's letter to her wife was dated Jan. 29, 25; he thanked her for the letter and added that Bro. Lawrence evidently did not attach as much importance to the colored as did with as the Bishop had never answered the indictment.

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Wed. #. Friday

We dined w. Mr. & Mrs. Pennington. I explained that we would get of \$50 together with the little we could give would, Mrs. Pennington said, be sufficient with what she had saved & that the Treasury had been ordered. Mrs. P. said she was very much pleased and would give better the check before she left. She did not, however, do this.

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Wed. Sat.

Mr. Jay came before the Bd & begged us to reconsider our action of yesterday refusing him permission to give out the figures of loans on the stock exchange

tomorrow instead of waiting until next week for the Bd announcement which would be a week late. The Board voted however, just as yesterday, to refuse permission, Mr. & Platt voting Aye and Miller, James, Cunningham & Cornish, No. This is a serious error. The stock exch. give out their figures tomorrow and the W.B. & G. announced - through some misunderstanding of the Bd's attitude - that it would do the same. There is no harm why the Public should not know just what the Board knows and it will subject us to criticism.

Wed. Sat

Received letter dated Jan 17, 25 from Mr. Ernst, from Ravenna, Serbia. In it, there was a communication from Anna as follows: - Jan. 4, 1926. Hotel Roma. Rome. "L.S.G. (Mr. Ernst)"

I feel that Anna is here, that she is sitting near me. I am very sure she is here and wishes to speak.

Invisible. (Anna)

Of course I wish to speak. This is Anna.

for my Father & Mother if I were lost an opportunity to speak!

(Mrs G. she is smiling, now I can see her.)

and this is a rare chance. I have wanted a long time. I wanted to send them a thanksgiving message, but I couldn't get it through. But I did get a Christmas message through; you sent it by cable, Father and Mother, & kept telling Mr G. and Mrs G. too, that I must send you word. How much I love you. You will never know how near I am to you.

Oh Father, dear, how much there is for which I thank you. Much that you gave me while in earth that I have carried with me ever since.

(Mrs G. she is smiling again at some thing. There seems to be some joke between herself and her Father; I don't understand what it is.)

and I want to thank you for what you have done since I came over. You have done just right about everything, - everything.

Only don't forget about the light.

and no one in the ^{whole} world has such

a Mother as I had, now, - love, Mother, love. I still love you, love them I ever had you in earth, talk to me just the same. You can talk me over them all. Your love and thoughts are like beautiful clouds about me. Oh, me, that sounds as if I were an angel. I don't mean it that way. I have substance. Your thought has substance that touches me. And I want to tell you both - even so I do not get message to you often in words - that I am with you and talking to you. So you listen quietly you will know that I am speaking to you. My love to you, this New Year - may it bring you gladness, through the knowledge that we are still living together. And always.

There is your devoted Anna, speaking to you.

(Mrs G. wait. They want to give me a book test, but Mr. A. I don't see it quite.)

(Invisible)

Father take this:

In the library. The Washington

house; the room with the most book shelves in it. There is a book shelf or shelves of books on the left hand side of the first place. Counting the shelves from the bottom up --- one, two, three, one, two, three. (I guess its three, - seems to be the third shelf from the bottom). Counting the books in, from the side of the fireplace; in. Some one says its a last book; its the best last book. Not the best book but the best last book. Take it out and, - Anna says. Father, take it out. When it is random and you will know why I asked you to do it. Your wife will regret when my message to you, Mr. Gunt:

I want to get this right, somebody does say a last book, I can't get that out of my mind. Something there that is suggestive of Anna. Some word or phrase, or something.

That's all for the H's. Anna says Anna you very much. She says if it should be right, we will try again. It is very difficult not to be discouraged if it isn't right. She says that in the

entrance table is a book lying: a book that Mother and I used to read together, - that I am very fond of.

(then that does not seem to amount to much as there were no book shelves in the room on the ground floor at 919 Juniper Square, Wash. where we kept most of our books.)

26.7. Sunday

Bertie received a letter from Mrs. Gunt, dated Jan 20, 1900, in which, among other things she said:-

"During Thanksgiving week, I felt unusually that you and Anna were trying to get a message to you. I felt it but could not get it down on paper, altho I am sure Anna was near me several times, trying to send you something about Thanksgiving. I was too much occupied to get it. - - - - -

Often when I was quiet I got a message in my mind from Anna, - "send love to my parents" - unheatedly, and Jack got the same, so I sent my cable,

then one night when Jack and I were

all alone, I laid down quietly and saw Anna come into the room and sit down by me, immediately giving me the message we sent you. She wants to give you a book test so we will try but we get one through right to you ----

I know Anna came that night. "

Ms. 8. Hand.

Bertie met Mr. Burlington at the Women's Gen club. She said Mr. Noble had mentioned her that Col. House had been an excellent subscriber of the Harmon for 18 years in 1912 and that she now remembered distinctly hearing her father and Col. House and a Mr. Remison, a neighbor, talking in the father's study; that her father urged Wilson as the legitimate candidate and that the other two backed Harmon; also that Benjamin Franklin w. Col. House came about the Col. House's career, the bloody, who were great friends of Benjamin.

Ms. 8. Hand.

House, in the Wash. Post this am says McAdoo wanted cert on the McAdoo 2 year term, but that Wilson said - "I prefer Ellery and it happens that I am President"; that in Ellery's refusal cert was asked in accord. w. McAdoo's wishes.

This is very shabby; the fact is that Ellery urged Wilson through House, and I think, by letter, to abandon cert, and House simply recommended cert to Wilson. (See earlier details.)

The Bd considered question raised by Mr. of St. Louis - whether, in case a local attorney was given a claim for collection in an isolated case, the board compensation must be referred to the Bd on appeal under Sec 4 giving Bd the duty of approving any compensation awarded by boards of directors of Mbs. by directors, officers, or employees. The council advised that it was not necessary to report such expenditure to the Board, as such attorneys were not officers or employees of the Mbank, citing

decisions of the Sub. Ct of the U.S. squarely to this object.

Nevertheless, on motion of Dr. Miller it was voted that all such ~~payments~~ ^{payments} must be referred to the M. Board for approval! C. & Platt voted No. Miller, James and Cunningham voted Aye.

C. suggested that we notify the Sub. Court that we had overruled it!

Later Miller moved that a resolution be drawn up fixing a limit within which no such report need be made, and this was passed;

Nov 15. Mond

Lunched w. David James Hill and consulted list of cases. on Trusts for Carnegie Board. Platt told Ben Butler said Geo H seemed satisfied I was to be satisfied, quoting what Ben Butler said to a lawyer I spoke of and also saying something about acts by some of the directors, as Henry Hollis.

Nov 18. Thursday.

Anna left on Thursday Nov 19. 1925 for Bermuda, the last time we ever saw her alive.

Early in morning he told her he long would see that her illness died at 1 am on Wednesday. She had said in last report that he was very ill and we would Dr. Tilden who advised he could not live through the night.

Harriet Hamilton

Ed. Adv. C. met today.

Nov 19. Friday

called on Edith. spoke of Col. Harriet Allen. She said Col. H. was absolutely an ass.

Nov 20. Sat

Harriet Hamilton arrives.

Bertie leaves for being buried. Edith

Nov 21. Sunday

We call on Edith but she was out.

Nov 22. Monday

Edith takes Harriet and myself to a long drive leaving her at the station. Harriet leaves for Baltimore to visit Mrs. Bequest on report.

Nov 25. Thursday

Dined w. Mr. Plummer. Colton and Randolph were also there.

Speaking of the Wilsons honorary degree, Colton said Oxford Univ. offered him an honorary degree while they were in Paris - that he had always said he should appreciate a degree from Oxford more than from any other University, but that it was a British rule that the recipient must be present to receive it, and that he did not leave Paris at the time and $\therefore$ most regrettably could not accept it.

Nov 1. Monday

Wrote Colton sending Vol 2 of Lord's book.

Nov 2. Tuesday

Dr. Stuart came down from N.Y. to discuss the draft of our Annual Report wh. he had finished - since his resignation. Dr. Miller bitterly objected to many things in it and said he must take

a minority report. He believed and said that rates at N.Y. should have been increased long before they were, and, naturally he does not like the name of the Fed but not so much advancing them. He particularly objected to our stating that higher rates might induce gold exports, evidently not wanting such a good reason to alienate in our Report. He denied such would be the effect. COT reminded him that Dr. Norman said that when the high rates loan rates threatened the gold and bond market our disc. rate moderation. Dr. Stuart said going up to 4% would in effect lead a English bank under the call loan rate and tend to keep it up, and that it would tend to increase customer rates. Miller said a higher disc. rate would induce call loans and the released credits would lower com. rates. Dr. S. & the Fed did not agree with him. Miller kept saying - if you will only change this & that it will enable you to "get by" - he evidently has a supreme contempt for the rest of the Fed. He also practically accused Dr. S. of

taking a particular date so that his conclusions would tally w. his opinion - work, made Dr S very independent. He said he took the date wh. was under discussion in the Report.

I wish Muller would fill a dissenting report - he would not dare to.

Mon 4

Met C. Warren at lunch at corner club. He said Mrs Wilson had greatly injured her husband by refusing to allow Col Hume to publish Wilson's letters - to which I vigorously disagreed.

Mon 6. Sat

Edith called at 4.45 P M and spent an hour with me.

I gave her my enlargement of the Chron. table of Wilson.

She said Margaret Wilson had been here a week "lobbying" for some Maternity Unit, at wh. she was very sorry to leave her and her influence as a daughter of Wilson.

Mon 7. Sunday

Newton Baker called with his daughter and spent an hour with me. He was shocked at Hume's book.

Mon 8

The Steing came before Board and we gave her authority to agree to take 15 millions of bills for Nat Bk of Belgium along the line of an amended credit agreement which he explained, being a copy of a cable from the Norman & the Whily, the final details to be subject to approval by Board.

Edith called and took me, with her sister Bertha, on a long drive stopping for tea at the tea house on the Alexandria drive.

Mar 10. Wed.

at 8 P.M. by appt we went up to Mrs. Redyard's room to attend a séance by Mrs. Valentine. There were present Capt. H.H. Mrs. Redyard, Mr. Perry and Dr. House.

We found Mrs. Valentine a modest elderly, rather emaciated man, showing no appearance of tropical power.

We sat down in a circle roughly 10 feet in diameter. Mrs. V. sat by the window next to an electric lamp which was under her control. Next by him was a gramophone. All lights were extinguished and he started the gramophone which played a selection by Mascagni - very low music.

We then all recited the Lord's Prayer.

In the centre of the circle were 2 tin lamp shades suspended, one belonging to Mrs. V. and one to Mrs. Redyard. Mrs. V.'s had two aluminium sheets which showed some light in the darkness. This was collapsible & Mrs. V. took it away with her.

After a short time a voice came through the trumpet clearly, saying good evening, Gosh! We were told this

was the voice of Dr. Barnett, a Scotchman, who died in the 60's. Then Dr. House's father spoke to him in a low voice. He asked Dr. House, among other things, what instrument it was he had in his pocket and he replied - a thermometer. Further conversation would not be heard.

Then Blackbeet, an Indian slave and Mrs. Redyard asked him to talk to Anna for us and he said he would.

Shortly after he said Anna was there and wanted to talk to us.

The trumpet then seemed to come over near us and a very thin, faint voice said "this is Anna". Then followed some conversation in the dark, so faint we could not understand it. We told her how we loved her and how rejoiced we were to hear her voice. She said she was so glad to see us as she had often tried to get in touch with us. Capt. said he always felt she was near us and with us and that that being right him up. She said she knew Capt. felt so.

H.H. asked her if any one had died over from the lately. She said he is there

and I see him often. HWH said don't you remember he taught you to drive the horse of course, to which she said yes. Both were willing to James Robt but his name was not mentioned. There was about all she said then, saying she was tired and must rest.

Then some one - we think Dr Barnett, said James is here and wishes to speak to you. Then James began to speak in a low voice, - Bertie thought she recognized the voice, - I did not. He asked me to send his love to his wife and to tell her he still lived and was well. We asked him if any one from HWA had gone over recently and he said Farmer (meaning his Dr. King).

Then Dr. Morse said - How do you do James, do you know me? James said you are Dr. Morse! (Dr. Morse's name had been mentioned so there is not as strange as it may at first seem.)

Then a young girl called Henry spoke for a minute or two.

Then another Indian, Kookum, gave a loud shout - they asked him to sing as he often did, but he would not.

Then Dr. Barnett said Anna was here again, and soon she began to speak through the trumpet in a slightly stronger, but still very weak voice, telling us how glad she was to get in touch with us. Bertie asked her if she remembered her reading to her very night at 6 PM and she said she did and that she was with us every night now at 6.

B. asked her if she did not talk and insist her to write Pa. her & Hal at HWA. She said she did and that she tried to improve her.

She then said to her husband, - "Father isn't talking to me at all! I explained that I had great difficulty in hearing her, and asked her if she had any request to make of us, - which she wished us to carry out. She whined at once but we could not make out a word.

B. asked her if she would like her write again - and she said something with the word "improves" in it.

She then said she was tired and said good night.

Each time after speaking she gave a hiss

through the trumpet in a way absolutely characteristic of Anna.

As to her voice B says the few words she could hear were like Anna's. C. is not prepared to say it was or was not the voice, - it was so thin and feeble. The pronunciation of the word "father" however, was characteristic. ~~That is B's~~

Then there were talks between Dr Henry and Abdul Bahai who spoke in Arabic mixed w. English. Dr Henry talked with him in Persian.

Then Dr Barnett spoke for about 15 minutes, often very humorously, during conversation with Berta.

He predicted another world war in 1927, between Japan, Russia & U.S., and China against E. B. & U.S. and later France, unless the Powers stopped it, as they could.

He said the L. of N. would not last, - that Woodrow Wilson was a good man; that his speech of some of the dead martyred Presidents

were trying to impress the present head of the Nation that he must take heart in the effort to keep Peace; that there were 4 spiritual leaders now living who could lead the world, - 2 abroad and 2 in U.S., but would not name them.

B. asked if any of them were women and he laughed sarcastically and said No. That B was evidently stingy on the women.

He said E. B. Italy and America were honestly striving to avoid war.

He then bade us good night and the séance ended.

During the evening B. saw lights around Dr House and saw the trumpet going around the city. C. saw nothing of this. Several times some were touched on the knee, & C. felt this also.

Cold drafts were shaken off and not felt by C.

To sum up:

C. is impressed with the belief that every manifestation could have been produced by a clever magician. We are to try again soon.

There never was a moment when Dr W.

shape at the same time the other spoke.
 Mrs. Sedgwick told B. that before we came
 in she talked this the trunk to her
 husband in the bull glass of the electric
 light.

Mar 11. Thursday

Ad took up proposed letter drafted by
 Dr. Miller to Fed. Adv. Council, asking for its
 advice and report in its efforts to curb
 security loans in call market.

Mr. Sec. Mr. Miller presided. He noticed
 that § 2 referred to action taken by
 the Board - a week or so ago - requiring
 the Agents to report all borrowings from
 the M. Bank of N.Y. of any bank where
 such borrowings exceed 2 millions, such
 report to be made weekly.

Mr. Miller objected to this, but it was
 pointed out that it called for no
 information from Member Banks; that
 the M. Agent merely reported the gross
 amounts borrowed by all the banks
 and this order merely directed him
 to segregate the total and report
 as to any bank exceeding 2 millions;
 that this was merely for the information
 of the Board, and the Member Banks
 would not even know of it, unless
 it leaked out.

Mr. Miller then considered the
 proposed letter and sent that in plain

had just told him that he and Sen Peters
 went to try for an amendment to what to be
 inserted in the the sudden vice tenuity
 for a virtual charter for M. Bank; that
 he heard it might inhibit the chance
 of obtaining charter renewal if it should
 leak out for the proposed letter that
 the Board was contemplating radical
 control over the St. Exchange operations.
 The letter was then further discussed.
 COT said he saw no objection to a letter
 to the Council, asking its advice as to
 what control the Board could exercise
 in respect to excessive use of M. credit
 ultimately used for the call loan
 market, but that in its present form
 the letter was objectionable as in
 § 6 it is stated that the Board is giving
 much thought to the development of
 a procedure which will check or
alleviate determine the course of
M. credit operations; that this seemed to
 imply that the Bd had determined
 that it did lawfully have the right
 for a Member bank, which had funds
 invested in the call loan market and

perhaps even that it would.

COT said this was very serious question of
 law; that Mem. Bank were not solely
 commercial banks, but could loan on
 stock exch. collateral; that whenever a
 discount was created against any such
 loan the bank must seek relief
 in the M. Bank against any such loan;
 that it might be held that a M. Bank
 could redempt for any Member Bank
 to provide relief for any ^{lawful} loan creating
 a discount; that if it refused the relief
 would become deficient subjecting the
 bank to heavy penalties; that the
 question should be carefully considered
 what power the Board had by way of
 direct action or otherwise to exercise
 control over such call loan operation,
 but that that in this case it might be
 construed as a determination of the
 Board, in advance of the Council's
 consideration, to utterly destroy the
 call loan market through the power
 of refusing discounts.

COT had suggested changes in § 6
 and Cunningham suggested striking out

other paragraphs.

Mr. Bynally said that he saw no objection to a properly phrased letter to the Council but deplored the letter.

Miller moved to approve the letter as originally sent.

Mr. Bynally moved to lay it on the table for the present; at least until the charter question was settled and it was so

voted: all Aye except Cunningham who voted No and Miller not voting. The Council was present & voted Aye.

(See Vol 156 See Bk for copy of letter)

after the meeting I went into Mr. Miller's office and explained further about the danger of sending the letter in the form Miller drafted it and pointed out that Miller in his Boston speech took the position that deposits should be refused to banks loaning for speculative purposes. I said the danger is that the letter to the Council might lead out and added "for a long time I have believed, and can not now, that there is a wild bird running from our Board".

Mr. Sec. finally said, "I know it also and feel sure we have the same thing in mind at each end of the line"; referring to Miller and Hoover.

Mr. Bynally is quoted from Miller's own statement of his Boston speech sent to each Member of the Board. It was delivered Nov. 17, 25 before the Commercial Club of Boston:-

"The use of Federal Reserve credit for speculative or investment purposes is prohibited by specific provisions of the FR Act. It is clear, therefore, that no bank has a proper status as an applicant for Reserve bank accommodation, which is substituting credit for speculative uses. It is the duty of the FR banks to hold true to the course plotted for them in the fundamental provisions of the Federal Reserve Act."

Nov 13 Sat

Edith and Mrs Pennington came to talk with
William Hamblett.

Nov. 14. Sunday

Mr & Mrs Weaver call. I ask Mr W to
go over my chem. labile on William Hamblett.

Nov 20 Sat.

Meeting when next com^{ce}: Ew. Strong, Harding House.

Mr Tumpah.

Ew S. protested against a notice sent by
Board that Wash. is designated for
all meetings unless otherwise ordered.
Ew S. said com^{ce} was a voluntary mtg,
& Bd had no authority to issue such
an order, except in preliminary matters.
Ed explained reason: - ten old when
next com^{ce} of Bd; Miller & Cunningham -
was abolished and Bd decided to
take up all when next meeting in
com^{ce} of whole. It was felt it could
be easier for com^{ce} to come to meet
Board than for Board to go
to com^{ce}; no intention to issue an
arbitrary order.

long discussion followed as to number of Bd
to issue such order.

Ed finally said he would offer at next
meeting the following substitute: -

"Meetings of the when next com^{ce} Investment
com^{ce} shall be arranged by the Gov^o
and the Chairman of the com^{ce} at such
times and at such places as may be
necessitated by the business involved
and as may seem the convenience
of the Bd and of the com^{ce}".

The Governor said this would be
perfectly satisfactory.

The com^{ce} then Ew S. then read their
report wh. called for no changes
in investments.

Ew S. said a business recession had
started in all over the country; that
it was unwise to tell now wh. it
would continue; that one co. in N.Y.
estimated and placed orders for a
20% increase, but real increase was
only 3%; that we must be prepared
to cope w. this recession if it
ensued; that we ought to be ready

to make further investments to ease any such strain if it arose.
Mellon doubted expediency of the latter.

Dr. Sharpless then made suggestions as to subject of bailed bonds and their treatment by FRBs.

Mar 21. Sunday

Bro. Harding called; had just seen Glass who said not to mention my report until Pa. was over the Senate. He was certain that Mellon was fighting on Peabody; that Sen. Reed had compromised. He was not represented in FRB: that danger was that Mellon might trade my position off to sell Peabody. Glass also said Peabody was very shifty-like a bill; that Calkins agreed to borrow \$100,000 to a bank with all funds and that he asked Peabody who was somewhat wavering.

Mar 22. Monday

Governor Embury.

Mar 23 Tuesday. Embury Conf.

Mar 24 Wed. Conference concluded

Two strong strokes of N.Y. condition; said the bank was well heavily borrowing from FRB - 142 millions; that there was a recession of business over the country; that w. such heavy borrowings there would be a tendency to over lengthen of customer loans; that condition in market looked bad; that he felt danger of a sudden recession in bus. recession; that we ought to begin & buy securities to ease money market; that the money would come back by bank loans reducing borrowings from FRB, and thus give greater abundance of currency credit to customers; that reducing int. rates would merely help bank loans easy then loan to FRB & could not make them pay them off; that it was the main object of Fed of Gov that Treasury should be given in case of emergency to ease the money market by buying Gov. bonds & also to not to exceed 90 millions of securities, in

addition to replacement of the \$15 million of 60 million - all but \$5 of which had been replaced; that the Bd at last meeting had merely authorized replacement of \$15 million but had not acted on above resolution which also in general terms was in the same spirit as the above.

The matter was discussed at length & Miller violently objected.

Finally the Emceé put latter suggestion in concrete form:-

"If developments in the money market indicate any need for doing so, the amount of securities in the System account be increased to 300 million, but no purchases should be made after Apr. 15, without further consideration."

The Bd then withdrew into Platts room to consider this

and moved approval, in the words of the above, with the addition of the following:-

"On the understanding that the Board, at any time, in its discretion, may terminate the authority to make such purchases."

James begged to withdraw his addition as it seemed to imply Bd would have no such authority without an express reservation, as also did Emceé, who reported, as otherwise it might be claimed Bd had made a moral commitment. On vote, COT motion was defeated.

Aye COT. No. Miller, James, Emceé, Cunningham & Platts.

Motion then made by ^{James} to approve w. and COT addition.

Lost by tie vote.

Aye. Emceé, COT & James.

No. Platts, Miller, Cunningham.

Before this a discussion ensued. Miller said if we approved this, within a week we would be hounded about a Conf. Com^{tee} and severely criticized. (I don't know what he meant)

Platts said he did not believe any necessity for more purchases.

Miller said talk of any reserve was all right, and that real motive was to keep the market.

COT said he feared an increase in the depression coming in very suddenly. That broken condition might at any moment

came on agents here, collapse and accumulate
the present tendency into a real business
reaction; that the other hand come will be
General in the field & if we could not trust
them to handle an emergency for 3 weeks until
Apr 15, we should disband the Com.
Huller said we should never tolerate any
increase w. out authority from the Bd
at the time.

Est. pointed out that if the emergency came
instant action might be nec. & Bd might not
have a quorum present.

Est. also pointed out to Huller that he had
voted to give Com. authority to release
Apr 15 maturities wh. in all amount to Com.
60 millions.

Est. asked to be recorded that he voted for
the general approval only after the Board
motion was rejected.

Est. then went to ask Sec. Huller to come
in. Huller refused to stay for this
and left the meeting.

Sec. M. was in Philadelphia
Meeting then adjourned.

Mon. 25. Thurs.

Sec. Huller came in to meeting. The Sec. read
minutes of yesterday's meeting as to when Bd
could vote. The Sec. then asked some to explain
present status. Est. then briefly outlined
position of the thing and the 16 other laws.
Incidentally, Est. said, it had been stated
at yesterday's meeting by one member (meaning
Huller) that he never would consent to delegate
authority to the Com. to increase or diminish
amount of money in the market. Huller
did not reply to this.

Est. said the Bd is asked to give discretion
to Com. for only three weeks; - that the
Bd did not properly suspect that it would
decide every emergency itself, as there
might be difficulty in obtaining a
quorum; - that we must give some
discretion to the Com. - our General in the
field.

Est. said he thought any Mbk. could
go into the other side as a matter of
right, subject only to general reports
of the Bd and that the Bd had never
undertaken to issue any such regulations.
Est. added that the Board in the

most have frequently given such direction to the Com^{rs}, that only 2 months ago we gave it direction to release the \$15 maturity of Gov securities - 67 million of dollars, in wh. very elaborate arrangement; that to require the Fed to turn on every contingency would result in an operating body, wh. we were clearly not.

Cumington sd he did not object to delegating authority to the Com^{rs} generally but that he thought no present emergency existed warranting it.

Platt took the same view.

Huller finally said he entirely disagreed w. E. S. and the Gov^r, and believed no emergency existed or would exist. He did not answer C's statement of his view stated yesterday that he would never agree to any delegation of authority to increase or diminish the amount of money in the mkt. as he knew C's would want out that he had to agree many times, wh. 2 months ago.

Huller said he had information that the whole trouble in N.Y. arose from fact that certain banks were loaded up with new issues of securities wh. did not go ahead.

E. S. asked who the informant was (meaning Huller) but Huller declined to give the source of his information.

E. S. said that he would not be influenced by information from a source wh. Huller declined to reveal.

Then see Huller said there was undoubtedly reason in business, that no one should say now whether it would not sending message; that the belt the feeling of liberality looking towards more credit would be of great advantage at the present time.

James then reviewed the notes of yesterday wh. were traced.

Ag. See Huller, E. S. James & C. S. No. Platt, Huller, Cumington

Mar 26 Friday

Em C said he had talked w. Winsten who said it was perfectly well understood that Hoover was dominating Miller and that they had agreed that H. got in front on Miller as to Fed action etc; that see Miller was very much disturbed at this.

Mar 29. Mond.

Em C brought up a proposed Resolution in subject of meetings of the next Com^{ee}. The resolution he proposed before the Com^{ee} on Mar. 20 was, a day or two later, objected to by Cunningham who said the original resolution of Mar. 9 must not be repealed at the demand of the Open Next Com^{ee}, but that he could not object to amending it somewhat etc, accordingly introduced the following:-

"whereas on Mar 9. 25 the M^{td} passed the following Resolution:-

That Wash. be designated as the future meeting place of the Open Next Invest. Com^{ee}, except when the Com^{ee} is authorized by the Fed to meet elsewhere;

Now, therefore, the Com^{ee} is authorized and

directed to arrange, from time to time, with the chair^{man} of the Com^{ee}, meetings at other places than Wash., at such times and at such places as may be desirable from the nature of the business to be transacted, and as may direct the commencement of the Fed and said Com^{ee}"

to ~~not~~ amendment much opposition developed as to this. Dr Miller said that if originally objected at the outset, he would have accepted it, but he could not vote for it as a measure of violating the Com^{ee}. James also objected it. Then a long discussion took place as to the transfer of the Board to central Open Next transactions. Dr Miller had read the Resolution of the Board in April 7, 1923 which did transfer to regulate these transactions, and Em C is inclined to believe he was in error when he said (see p. 131) that the Board had never passed a Resolution in Open Next transactions.

Miller & James said if there was any doubt of Fed transfer we should go to

comprised, who would quickly give it to me.
Dr Muller said he would welcome the issue
now and would say so to the Council. (It seems
Gov C told Harrison and told him the Council
demanded one month, and Gov C said he had no
doubt if we refused it in any conceivable case
the Wba of N.Y. would go ahead in
shift of us.)

Finally Muller suggested some changes in
my resolution, which I accepted as it was
all I could get, and it was unanimously adopted,
as follows:-

Whereas etc (same as my resolution):

Now, therefore, the Gov is directed to advise
himself to him, after consultation with the
Chairman of said Com^{ee}, when in his opinion
it is desirable from the nature of the
business to be transacted that meetings
of the Com^{ee} be held at other places
than Washington.

Dr Muller also said that if he had read a report
containing what Gov S. said, without any
discussion, he would probably have voted
to grant the authority, but that the discussion
developed that Gov S. was absolutely wrong;
that Production was not needed; that
our bond distribute was at its Peak. (He
did not mention, however, that all of the
Gov's share of the banking job of retail
treasuries).

Dr H. also said that one member of the
Council told him afterwards that he did not
agree with Gov S. after he had voted with
him. Dr H. said Gov S. had a way of
suppressing dissent within the Council.

Jan 29. Monday

Mr Maurice Dow called. He said that
the State Dept notified 40 names.
Newshaker circulates that there would be
an important conference at the
State Dept that afternoon at 4 P.M.;
that Houghton told them he had some
remarks to make, but that he should
not be quoted personally; that later
he would be glad to answer questions
on the same understanding.

Mar. 30 Tuesday

Have gone over carefully the other report concerning resolution of Apr 7, 1923. These regulations laid down 2. Principles:

1. Primary regard to accommodation of com. and business and to effect of purch. & or sale in general credit situation
2. Careful regard to bearing of purch. of U. S. Govt Sec's when the market for such Sec's; when most purchases to be primarily commercial investments, except that near certificates may be dealt in, as at present, under so-called Redemption agreements.

Ad described old Council and advised them that Invest. Com^{tee} ... to be under general supervision of F.R.B. ... the duty of this Com^{tee} to devise and recommend plans for the purchase, sale, and distribution of the other Govt securities of the U. S. banks, in accordance with the above principles and such regulations as may, from time to time be laid down by the F.R.B.

These above regulations simply lay down principles and is a flexible, liberal regulation. It also, to be sure, points to other future regulations but none such have been yet enacted by the Board.

The N. Y. banks, therefore, if they certified that the purchases were in accord with the above principles, could at any time buy Govt Securities in the open market, until at least, some future regulation of the Board intervened.

Wash. Star this evening had a long int. w. Govt. committee speaking of business depression. Very all advised; - given as Govt of M. & H. (See See Bk.)

Apr 1, 26 Thursday

Mr. Goldenshuler says Gov C said he did not know he was being interviewed, and that Mr. Fadden quoted his interview yesterday in a hearing before Banking & Comm. Com^{tee}.

Mr. A. C. Bowman, Chairman of the Board of Boston called. He said he came down to see atty Gen. Sargent, a very old friend, at the

unanimous request of Mr. Handing and the
 directors to request the Atty Gen to ask
 for evidence to incriminate me. He also said
 Mr H told him to tell the Atty Gen. That at the
 conference of Governors held last week
 when it was the unanimous opinion that
 I should be notified.

I told him to tell the Atty Gen that Mr H and
 I had been active members of the House
 for 30 years, that I had a farm and
 had devoted myself to the interests of
 agriculture while in the House.

I also suggested that the Atty Gen had
 better speak to Lee H. Walker before he formally
 presented my name.

Mon 3. Sat

Edith and her sister, Mrs. Bulfinch called and
 was Bertie and out on a long drive. She said
 Mrs. Lanning had come up and spoken to
 her the other day at the Werners' dinner, Club.

6.30 P.M.

Sen. Elam called up saying he would call
 tonight. We said we would be out and
 he said he might call tomorrow P.M.

Sen. Elam said he was reading House's Memoirs and
 had read in H. 166 where Lawrence (David) had
 asked House to let him live the trouble about
 his activities in "making the bill" (M.H. 1);
 "but that the Col. was obstinate in his
 resistance when silence". He said he had
 just written Lawrence asking him to be good
 enough to tell him (Elam) just what Col
 House had done in "making the bill".

I told Elam about director Burmann's visit
 and he was much pleased. He said he
 wanted to have a break later with Sen.
 Butler but did not want to do it without
 my consent. I told him I had no
 horrible objection and suggested he also
 speaking w. Sen. Metcalf of N.D. He said
 he would see both Sunday.

He said he was fearful Sen. Butler might
 want to test in some Reub. resolution.
 I explained the Reub. case in Mass: -
 Sen. Walsh was opposed by the Union
 Democrats, otherwise he would have
 beaten Ellitt; Butler only took of
 action to get these Union Dem.
 votes; if I were to take part in the

campaign, I suspect if I were so disposed, induce the Union Democrats to support Walsh who would make Butler elect or elect very doubtful; that Butler, of course, knew this and I thought with great justice leaving it quiet in Wash.

He said ultimately he did not think he could vote for Walsh, but he thought Butler would certainly want me to elect in Wash.

He said he could tell Butler my name should be sent in at once so I did be embraced before my adjournment.

8 P.M.

We attended another stave in the Redgards rooms with Valentine.

Present: Mrs. L. Dr. House, Mrs. Sweet, the son of Mr. Neil (brother of Dr. House); HWA and myself. It lasted from 8 to 10.30 "Dr. Burnett" talked at great length and predicted a war within 1 year bet. the Union & Russia against the U.S. Dr. House butler also talked with Dr. House and told him of the death of an old friend, giving his name.

which Dr. House had not heard of, was dead for some time over 30 years.

Anna showed to HWA in a low, bubble voice and stamped them at the best stave. Bertha tried to get me to describe what the trouble was in relation to who she had referred in Geneva, but the reference was not satisfactory.

Bertha asked me if she had met some one who had just "gone over" from Albany (New York) and she said No but I will look her up." Bertha said - "Anna that sounds so like you!" Bertha said - what are you doing over there? She said I am teaching, teaching children to progress. I am so teaching and am so glad we knew she was teaching. Ed asked if there was any thing she wanted me to do for her and she said No.*

^{Sweet} Mrs. Sweet, dead son showed to her brother Mr. McNeil. Mr. McNeil, to tell her shape of a man. seized by these terms, of whom he & his brother were two - and tumbled away. He said all had died except himself and asked where the man was tumbled. His brother began to blush, saying you know, but no answer was obtained as to where it was

Finally, Dr. Burnett said good night and Valentine said the chance was over. Suddenly Dr. Morse said he saw lights around Bertie and some vapor came surrounding her - she also felt a cold draught. Suddenly Anna's voice was heard saying "Mother". Valentine said the controls had left and it must have been produced like Dr. Morse's hypothesis. Nothing further developed, however. Dr. Burnett said Dr. Morse should sit alone in a room every day and he would be able to converse w. spirits - which he said he would do.

Dr. B. advised me not to begin by sitting around a table and looking for spirits wh. would surely come.

I forgot to add that Bertie asked Anna if she saw anything of Hesperus and she said "Yes, all the time", which was in direct contradiction to what she said in Geneva.

There were also other phenomena - the trumpet moved about the floor, I saw this, and also up to and around the ceiling - I did not see this

Bertie back that she really got in touch with Anna.

Mr. Stur has an open mind, and feels that there was nothing strange wh. a skilled musician could not have produced, except the announcement of the death of Dr. Morse's brother, and he thought he did hear the trumpet speaking back to Valentine.

At the club Mr. Neil called attention to fact that water had collected under the trumpet on the floor and that the mouth of the trumpet was wet, as if with a human voice.

I forgot to add that Mr. & Mrs. Smith said the Allen, were hidden in the wall ^{in the hall} of the house. Wh. this was the correct answer I don't know, but will ask Dr. Morse to find out. Mrs. Allen's manner, I think it was not correct. Mr. Ledyard, at the beginning, suggested that as it was warm, Valentine had better remove her coat, wh. he did. It was not warm, and I thought it a suspicious circumstance and that he had prob. asked Mrs. L. to say this.

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April 5. Sund.

We dined w. Mr & Mrs Plummer. Collette and Randolph were there.

April 6. Mond.

Board voted to allow Valley Bk of Mono, Calif. to take a bank 50 miles away in Prescott as a branch. We had reinforced no branch bank condition in the Valley bank when it entered the system and $\therefore$ the only question was wh. there was any improvement change of assets which clearly was not the case. Even Cunningham agreed to this although he had left room before vote taken. James, however, voted No. But he agreed there was no improvement change of assets and stubbornly voted No. W.C. Platt, Miller & I voted Yes.

Ad Trust m. letter from W.H. Clark. Informing us it had elected a Mr Olsen as an Sec. of Board. Cunningham sd a long time ago the Bd had met in regard its belief that the Sec. of the Bd should be taken from the opposite side of the Bank and could reportedly joined him in a verbal remark that Olsen should be disablened and the

policy of the Bd, about refused to, be habbened. It was wanted out to Cunningham that 6 of the Bank and Sec's from the opposite side, and he then changed the report so as merely to disablened the particular asset. A long debate followed in wh. it appeared that over a year ago, both Mr Sampel and Heath, raised the increase in Olsen's salary to \$4000. He was then and is now combid. Sec. of the Bank, and they both said he was a very able man who held various offices and comes of the Bank, and that ultimately they wished to make him an. Sec. to take the Secy; ^{White, and M.A.} ~~Harrison~~; that the Bd knowing all these facts, allowed the increase in salary, thus ratifying in advance the action now taken.

This made no impression on Miller or James or Cunningham, although the latter admitted the Bd was in a hole.

Platt wanted out, and sd & agreed, that a Board has the right to elect any one it sees fit to be Sec. or an. Sec.

Miller, however, seemed shocked at the thought of a combid. Sec. of the Bank being an. Sec. of the Bd.

After the move a resolution that it addressed
as if the Bd had just received it / that
the Unreformed Ass Sec was combated. Sec of
the H; that such was against the policy
of the Bd (in spite of our vote about
referred to) and that the action was
suspended pending final action of the
Bd.

This was named: No. 1144 recd.

Apr. June, Miller & Co.

an extraordinary vote wh. makes the
Bd ridiculous.

April 4. Sunday

Sen & Mr Glass called. Glass said he
would speak to Sen. Butler tomorrow as
to my report and would also, at my
suggestion, confer w. Sec Miller and with
that it be made immediately so the
Senate did combine it before any
adjournment)

Glass was very bitter about col. House.
I told him of the bank note in
7.50 stating that Wilson ultimately
accepted House's arguments on
centralized control of banking which

materialized in the McReed. He said the first
draft of the M Act could no longer be
a M Act, but that he visited Wilson at
Pinebluffs Dec 26. 1912, ten days after Christmas
and that they agreed to leave a M
Act; that at this time House severely knew
Wilson as at least intimately and did not
have much such a suggestion to him at
that time.

The first entry in House's book showing any
contact with Wilson in the M Act was on
Jan 8. 1913 at which Wilson agreed to trust
him in lunch w. Glass, Chairman of the Policy
& Com. Com. and "I am to work out a
resolution which is to be submitted to
them". At this date, the tentative drafts
had been shown to Wilson & the McReed
had been arranged for (Dec. 26. 1912); the
draft in final form was addressed by
Wilson in Feb. 1913 at Pinebluffs. (See Wallace's
book)

House records (7. 161) that he conferred w.
Glass on Jan 24. 1913 and I urged him
not to allow the Sen. Com. to change
what we had agreed upon in any of
its essential features.

House must have referred to the second

draft (which was a revision of the best draft
 wh. Luller says was finally completed about
 Jan 15, 1913) made as the result of reviews
 given Glass's Com^{re}, as to the 3rd draft, the same
 during Dec^r and May 1913, in suggestions of Luller
 wh. were finally tentatively all abandoned.
 Later, in June, a 4th draft was made
 containing Bryan's suggestion. (Luller L. 148)
 In all of time the M^{td} was reviewed by
 the House reviewed Luller to have a
 centralized M^{td} it must have been
 near to Dec 26, 1912 and there is no entry
 in the book as early as this
 Glass ed House was given an abstract
 of the Act wh. he talked over with
 N Y Bankers and later a copy of
 the completed draft wh. he took
 abd wth him & showed it to Crosby
 who violently criticized it on a broad.

April 7. Wed.
 A. C. Bowman, chair B director, M^{td} bank of
 Boston wrote me:-
 Springfield. VT

April 5. 26

"Just a line to let you know that I had a
 most friendly talk with Mr. Luller along the
 lines we had talked when I called on you
 at your office on Thursday. I am sure the
 matter will have his attention within a
 reasonable time.
 I appreciate very much the opportunity I
 had to meet the other members of the
 M^{td} Board to whom you so kindly introduced
 me.

Most sincerely

A. C. Bowman

John J. Slack, Cor^{re}.

Sent Sen. Glass a copy of the above.

Apr 8. Thursday.

We very much a letter to Mr. Cline. carrying out the vote of the Board. Res. 26, disallowing debit of Cline as an ass. sec.

After long debate Platt moved to strike and last part disallowing debit, leaving in only the part that the Bd still adheres to its debts. Miller objected vigorously.

Passed: Cline and Miller voted No.

Cline so voted because he believed the funds have the right to debit any one whom they wished as Secy or as ass. sec. - and we have no auth. to tell the Directors they must choose some one on the M. Affair side.

Miller voted no because he believed we should definitely disallow the debit.

The Bd has no power to disallow any debit - we can merely approve or disapprove salaries or remove or censure Miller & James thought it was most improper for Cline, Secy of the Bd, to be as Secy of Bd.

I can see no such impropriety.

Miller brought up a resolution introduced

a few days ago, that the Bd establish a credit Bureau in Wash. and direct 3 of our St. Secs to report on the credit and expenses.

Cline, when first introduced asked Miller if he meant to create a Bureau to establish

an intellig. system of credits as to our borrowings from Mr. Cline, wanting to know that in 1915 the Bd made Walter Huesney, one of the best credit men in the U.S., and Mr. Agent at Boston to do this very thing but it was abandoned as unnecessary. Miller said he only meant that all the credit bills of the M. Bure, or others, be sent to Wash.

Thus morning he said it had to do with the treatment of Mr. Cline in Wash. Cline who are long credit borrowers or in an extended condition.

I asked him to compare two resolutions to such conditions but he said there was no more what Cline was long credit borrowers or in an extended condition unless we have data on the all groups.

Cline suggested we ask Shrapnel for suggestions, as he said S. had advised such a Bureau, but he would not

consent to this. I asked him if he wished to have exact sheets of every borrower in line in Wash. but he gave an evasive answer.

Finally he split his resolution into 2 parts.

1. That a Bureau be established
2. That the Statute, drawn up by the Fed. res. and ex-henue.

He agreed to allow 1 to lay on table until 2 was presented to Fed.

We finally agreed to this.

I do not know what is in the mind but I suspect he wants a centralized detective force to examine all loans made by M. L. & admonish them etc.

This will be the worst kind of autocratic authority, ever presented to the Fed.

April 6. Tues.

Fed. approved absorption of 1/3 of cabinet ex-henue by Mbs.

Miller also voted No. He said the employees did not like to eat in restaurants of Mbs. as it was a kind of charity!

April 8. Wed. Thursday

Glenn Carter call: -

U.S. Senate.

Apr. 8. 26

"Acknowledging yours of Apr 7, I am gratified to know that at length the subject will come before the matter at the White House. I have talked with both Senators Butler and McLean. The former stated that he had heard that there had been some discussion at the White House of the appointment and had also heard that you would, and again that you would not, be selected. He added: "no importance should be attached to the latter report." He did not explicitly state his own position, but invited my opinion of your qualifications and popularity, which I gave unmistakably.

Sen. McLean, on the other hand, was unequivocal in his advocacy of you and said he very earnestly hoped you would be appointed.

If you still think it advisable, I will seek an opportunity to talk with Mr. Miller as soon as he returns to Washington.

With cordial regards for you and Mrs. Hamlin, sincerely yours
Glenn Carter

April 10. Sat.

Dined w. Sen. & Sen. Bruce. Sen. B. said he felt sure I could be rehabilitated as a matter of course, and said if there was anything he could do to help he was at my command. I suggested that he talk w. Sen. Glass who, he said he would do at once. He said he was on very cordial terms w. Coolidge. He also said he would guarantee that he could get every Sen. Senator to go with him to the White House and ask for my rehabilitation.

He said Sen. Peppers were most worried, shifty, and intellectually dishonest; that he had made a total bailout in the Senate.

Mr. Bruce said Peppers once told him that he was not a Prohibitionist and did not believe in Prohibition, but that it was good politics for him in Wash. to be "dry".

Sen. B. feels Peppers can not be rehabilitated.

Sen. B. said Sen. Reed (Pa) was a good lawyer and somewhat worried politically. He implied that Pa politics was making its mark upon him and not for the good.

April 11. Sunday

Wrote Sen. Glass about Sen. Bruce saying I had asked him to confer w. Glass and suggesting that if he were to see Sec. Miller and write the President a personal note, it might be helpful. I added that I left it all, however to his discretion.

April 12. Sunday

Platt said he had a talk w. Under Secretary Winston last week, and that W. said that while ordinarily he would like to see a Republican appointed to the McRee, that in this case he was decidedly of opinion that C. deserved and should receive a rehabilitation, and that he would say so to Sec. Miller.

April 13. Sunday

Glass wrote me that Sen. Bruce had seen him and that they had arranged that each separately would call on the President and urge my rehabilitation.

I wrote Bruce thanking him and suggesting that he tell the President that I am an active member of the Trump and have

been on 30 years; I also told him of the total abolition of the present Board, Treasury and that Miller was asked as an economist and an independent, quoting Col. House's book, p. 171 to this effect.

I also wrote him to send about sending him a letter written copy of my view as to the Board.

Early this am Geo. Stimp called me up and asked if I would drop in at 678 & 4 St on my way to the Treasury.

I did so and found him very much aroused as to Miller's statements in the Board as to the being influenced by the needs of the stock market in determining on purchase & sales of Govt Secs.

He said he intended to speak of this in the testimony this am before the Bay & Com. Com^{rs}; that Miller also was very indignant about it and had told him he had heard Miller make those statements. I also have heard him say these things many times.

Stimp said he would bring Miller out in the open and that there would be

an explosion.

I advised against his doing this as it might show up terribly divisions in the Bd and seriously injure the system.

I told Miller, perhaps unconsciously, was a rabid deflationist, and he said that Miller, Wallis, the Com. & Mr. Clemens were all leagued together in the interest of radical deflation. He said he certainly should pay attention to the Com & Mr. Clemens before he furnished the testimony.

Monday, am 16

Meeting Carnegie Board at Wash.

Heard discussion over work being done by Pan Amer. jurists for codification of Int. Law. Scott had an old Resolution drawn by Root some years ago calling for another meeting of the Hague Convention to take up a code of Int Law, and asked that it be reaffirmed. Root, who was present, said this was not necessary, and he finally introduced a Resolution authorizing Cassin, with a proposed codification which was unanimously carried.

Scott said the R. of N. or rotten the

great Powers in the Empire did not want to be governed by law but by them; by themselves; that they defeated North's resolution. We are agreed it was well to touch Pan Am. efforts at codification with a view to meeting them in the S. of N.

Butler said the S. of N. had cut down the library budget; that Mrs. Butler had had to discharge one of her best employees and must go herself; that he would be only too glad to make her donation of Col. University. I asked Butler if he did work I like about & he said certainly. We all lunched at the Met. Club.

An evening received note from Sen. Bruce, as follows:-

Dear Mr. H.

I saw the President yesterday and had a pleasant interview with him.

The best question that he asked me was, "How is your health?" I replied that I had no reason to believe that your health was at all impaired, and that I had seen you only a day or so before. Any impression that your health was not

good might be due, I suggested, to the fact that you had on some time been covering a larger degree of retirement than usual because of the domestic affliction which had befallen you. I also told him that Carter Glass was very desirous that you should be appointed, at this he picked up his cane and said, "Is Carter Glass our man?", exhibiting a decidedly questioned interest. I told him that Glass certainly was, because I had a conversation with him about you only a few days before. This morning I suggested to Glass that he had better see the President just as soon as possible, and he said that he would.

Truly yours
Wm. Lubell Bruce.

April 17. Sat.

called on Glass 9.30. am. He said he had had a talk with Sen. Bruce last evening about me and he would see the President today or early next week.

I told my about the inquiry as to my health and explained that I had some Neuritis last summer; that this last

but I was thoroughly examined in Boston; that every organ of my body was X rayed; that the report was that everything was absolutely normal, except that the X rays of my teeth showed two in bad condition; that I had them extracted and that I had now almost forgotten I ever had dentures, it disappeared so quickly. He said he would explain this and not to worry - that he would take care of the matter.

This morning I answered Sen Bruce's letter telling him of the dentures just as I did Sen. Glass.

Rest Her. Aug 17

Says C.H.'s term soon to expire and there may be a fight on the March. Pa. Rehobos are said to have a candidate, C.H. has a candidate of some leading N.E. business but he is a democrat & some Mass Rehobos will like to see the Senate go to one of these Party. In any event N.E. Rehobos claim that Wallace should continue to be ruled by a New Englander. (See Sec. Rep.)

Aug 18 Sunday

Lunched with Mr & Mrs Wiley Amory. Ned and Mrs Atkinson were there.

Dined w. Mr & Mrs Loren Nottingham; Dr and Mrs Paul Morse Nottingham and Ch. & Mrs Ch. Warren.

I told them 7 & 8 P.M. that I had recommended them for the Carnegie Rd and they were very much pleased; I explained that because to be chosen meant nothing as there were nearly 25 names suggested from which one was taken.

Aug 19. Monday.

Mr C. said Mr N.Y. had offered Warren of our statistical division 6000 the year to go into their employment to study questions relating to Census. and also; that Harriss then asked him if he could speak to W. about it and he said yes; that Stewart, now in N.Y. said he would give Warren 8000.

Miller was very independent. He said we could do much better Wallace would than the Mr N.Y., but that as we had already practically been absorbed by that Council we might as well let it do all this.

research work instead of ourselves. When the motioned next he would come before the Board there will evidently be a row.

Ed said it would not be fair to accept Warren's resignation now, in case any one objected to the proposed new term of the N.Y. bank, and moved to lay it on the table until on inquiry we learned about the new term.

all agreed but James said he knew how he should vote on any proposition to increase Warren's salary over \$4000 - what he was getting now!

Harrison came to the hotel and explained that they wanted Warren for the board's chair, having charge of all relations with banks, central banks, loans, investments etc.

Apr 20 Tues

Harrison drew up a formal application for auth. to employ Warren in the board's chair at \$6000 per year.

He told me Warren would resign from the Fed's service any way and go to Stewart in N.Y. at \$5000 if the Mbk. N.Y. could not get him.

Mr. C. told me he was not at all well, that he suffered severely from bladder trouble as well as from deafness in the ears; that he had to go to his doctor three times a day.
Apr 21. Wed.

The Board voted to auth. Mbk. N.Y. to employ Warren at \$6000 per year, and to accept his resignation on statistical dem. of Board.*

Heller said he wanted a copy of Harrison's letter to put in at the hearing of Berg & Co. Com. ; that it was a scandalous going up by the Board of its functions to the Mbk. N.Y.

Ed said clearly the Mbk. N.Y. had a right to have a formal dinner properly conducted - that they had nothing to do with our research work and that of the Mbk. N.Y. Mr. C. asked Ed for a copy of the letter to Jay stating that the proper way to bring up a matter before the Board was through the Finance and said Harrison had strictly complied with them.

Heller said it was done behind his back and he again insisted on the Com. in Research & Stats.

Mr. C. got very angry and said to

Miller:— The trouble is with you, you are too damned jealous; you want to act as one of the Board; you act as if you were the Governor! I want you to understand that I am Governor and not you!
Miller made no reply to this.

Platt told me today that a few days ago he spoke to Sen. McLean about my report and that he was strongly for it; that yesterday he spoke to Sen. Elliott and said that as a life long Republican he felt it would be a terrible mistake not to support me and that Sen. Elliott entirely agreed with him.

Apr. 22. Thursday

Platt said he saw Sumner, Sec. of the President, yesterday and explained the hole I could be re-elected and S. replied that he entirely agreed with him.

This P.M. we observed lowering of the discount rate of Wash. D.C. from 4 to 3 1/2 %.

See Mellen was present.

Apr. 21. Wed.

M. A. Newton of Wash. of attorney came before the Board and said the collapse of the Florida real estate boom would probably involve 50 banks in failure; that Geo. Welton and others of the Directors favored a policy of assisting these banks to the limit without too careful scrutiny of the notes they offered for redemption. He said he and a number of the other Directors absolutely opposed such a policy; that these banks were in an involved condition; that further redemptions would be used by them for buying off their public deposits (counters building, warehouse etc) at the expense of the general depositors; that these public deposits were guaranteed by security co's who, however, had a right to withdraw from their contract in 30 days notice; that if any trouble appeared they would withdraw and thus save their liability; that redemptions would be used not for the small deposits, as above stated, but to buy off their public deposits; that if these banks

will involuntarily, they could be closed at will thus buying the liability of the Society for and enabling the small debentures to get at least something; that in the opinion of the Mbs. went into them along the line favored by Wellborn and some other direction, it might conclusively have its capital and surplus worked out.

In response to a question from C. C. ^{the} said it was perfectly conceivable that the issue might be - the solvency of the Mbank a threat of these 50 cents.

We all agreed to the view of the situation. He then asked if we would authorize him to say that the Mbs. instructed the Mbank in accordance with his view. C. C. pointed out that we were having a confidential talk with him as our representative; that it was not right to give him our opinion as to the conduct of a director, but an entirely different thing for us to lay down a rule to be followed when the bank; that whatever our power might be it clearly should not be exercised now to a full discussion with the directors.

which they, up to the present time, had not asked.

The Board all agreed to this and Newton also. I think we may hear from the Board later.

Apr. 23. Friday

Sen. McLean asked the Bd to express its opinion on the McHadden bill as submitted to the Senate. Platt said he had talked with McLean and Glass and that they both looked the Bd would express a favorable opinion as soon as the bill was quickly from the Senate.

The Bd met at 3. P.M. Present: Sec. Miller, Geo. C. Platt, James & C. C. C. C. expressed the opinion that looked at as a compromise it was a fair compromise and read a memorandum prepared by him and C. C. by Wright.

Mr. Calline, representing the combination was present at a preliminary meeting held in the Ave and expressed his & the combination's approval. Miller and Cunningham

were away.

Finally it was noon. voted to advise
Mr. Dean that the Bd. addressed the Cong.
as reported.

(See Sec. 6. on Revolution and Cist's
mem.)

Cist called Mr. Glass before the meeting
to be sure he wanted me to address
him. He was in Richmond, not to return
on Monday. Cist then wrote him that
the Bd. would undoubtedly address the
Cong. in the afternoon, and sent him a
copy of the memorandum.

Richard Olney called in am. was here
on debt com. asked me when my
term expired. Said he had no doubt
I would be reappointed.

Apr 24. Sat.

Edith called Bertie in and asked me to dinner
Monday. B said we did not feel like to it -
Anna's anniversary - and she said she asked
me looking she did in that way with me,
and said she understood perfectly.

Apr 25. Sunday

wrote Mr. Harding telling him of Ben Bruce
and Glass, also what Mr. Dean and
Edith told Platt.

We spent today quietly together, thinking of Anna.

Apr 26. Monday

The anniversary of Anna's death.

In the morning at 9.30 we drove down to St. Agnes
church. Maria Oliver had arranged with the
clergyman, Father Anderson, to have a special
service for us in memory of Anna. It was
the communion service with a special prayer
for Anna. Maria, Bertie and I were present.
We received a large number of telegrams,
letters and flowers.

In the afternoon Mr. Wilson called on us
and took us in a long drive out into
the country.

A year ago last Dec., when Bertie and Anna

were visiting Edith, one evening, St Nicholas Ave.
Dec. 5, we cut a strip of white lilac and brought
it into the house, and put it in a vase of
warm water in the kitchen. Bertie said it would
bloom on Christmas day. The strip, however,
did not bloom. Edith told me today that she
had just discovered that the bush from which
the strip was cut was not a white lilac!
Then may explain why it did not bloom!

Edith referred to my horrible walkabout
and I told her about Sen. Bruce's call on
the President and that Sen. Elms had
also probably called last week. She asked
me if she might speak to Sen. Elms about
it and tell him how deeply she was
interested in it. I told her I wished
she would speak to him, and she said
she would do so at once, and mention
on her call that I would be
narrated. I know she will gladly
do anything in her power to help it
about.

Apr 28 Wed.

Received letter from Elms in text as follows:-

April 27, 1926

"Before going to Virginia I called on the
President in your behalf and may say
that his attitude seemed to be very
encouraging, although he did not outright
commit himself. He asked me, as he did
Senator Bruce, about your health, and
I am sure I satisfied him completely
on that score. Moreover, I tried to
impress him with the desirability of
early action on the matter. As soon as
I can conveniently can do so, I will
see Mr. Miller.

always with cordial regards,

Sincerely yours
Carter Elms

Apr 29. Thursday

Mr Harding called. Said he was at a dinner
in Boston a few days ago and a number of
men were discussing my walkabout in view of
the B. Herald article that Rep. politicians
were after my place; that Mr Hatchery
said - don't pay any attention to that;
Hamden is surely to be nominated; good even

were he taken to keep him out of the campaign in this state next fall.

Milton Abbott also called. He told me that at our last com. Williams seriously threatened of bringing ^{Mcadden} before a grand jury on certain accounting offenses in his bank accounts; that he also as I said made many very bad loans, on his own indorsement, to concerns in wh. he was interested; that he borrowed more than the 10% limit.

He also spoke of a suit of the Insolvency in Williams charging a conspiracy to wreck the bank, and how a final decree was held up over a year by a State Judge controlled by Sen. Penrose.

He said that recently the Insolvency Court ordered him to resign as President and sued him for over \$50,000 for bad loans made by him; that the Bank returned him into insolvency; that his debts were 250,000 and his assets were not over \$50,000.

Miller has been testifying before the Army & Com. com. for several days. On Apr 21 he told

the com. that the det. barman ^{Cambles} ~~Cummingham~~ and Cummingham were the ablest members of the JN Board

Regan writing

Apr 30. Friday

Ad met to consider report of employees of JN, of Boston statement of Cuban agency as to meeting the run in the Havana banks. Among other things it stated that the Ch. Ev. (Cambles) a director, Melroy, and other employees of the Atlanta bank went over from Key West in a Cuban gunboat to take charge of the JN N. being shipked for relief of the banks in Havana; that they became so drunk that they died out in the drink; that it was a very grave scandal. Facts were also stated to show that the Atlanta agency did not handle the situation well.

The Bd practically decided to send James to Havana to investigate.

Many of the Board seemed to think the Atlanta agency should be discontinued and Wyatt, who was present, was asked as to some plan for having one of the Boston employees designated to

act as an anti NAACP of Atlanta camp and to hold unrevised NAACP to be issued in emergencies to send other Boston officers to be designated to represent the Atlanta camp to receive the notes when issued. Jones felt strongly that both Boston and Atlanta should be discontinued and N.Y. be directed to establish an agency in Havana. Mr. Harding said he had talked over this suggestion with Miller (who was not at the meeting) and that he observed this as N.Y. and enough to do to handle its present foreign agency relations.

After the meeting Mr. H. told me he was going to ask Wing to write Sen. Butler that it was imperative that I be recalled at once. He also said Charles Wanklin told him he had written the President strongly urging my recall.

Mr. H. came home with me to the.

Mr. Harding said one Amb. to Cuba, Gen. Crowder, got "full" very dry at 4 and did no more business.

May 2. Sunday

James, Wyatt and Hersen leave for Havana.

May 5. Wed.

Sen. Glavin called to show me a resolution. Sen. Knaf wishes to introduce an NAACP issue. He asked me to read it while he went in to see Sec. Miller.

In about 20 minutes he came back and said he would say to me in absolute confidence, that Miller said I clearly deserved recommendation and that he would strongly recommend it to the President.

Glavin said he urged him to have my name sent it at once.

From Glavin's manner I am satisfied that Miller told Glavin the whole matter was settled, but that Glavin was told this in confidence and I did not tell me.

Edith took me to a long drive out into the country.

May 6. Thursday

Wm & Harriet Reed came down to lunch. - at Lee House.

Mr. Julius Kahn dined with us.

She told me that Dr. Miller Butler was a very respectable person in San F. - himself working in customs, making deliveries etc. She also said that she thought one name on Miller's list on Board was that Edward Elliott who wife was a sister of the best Mrs. Wilson needed to go to Calif. for her health and that Miller found a place for him in the University of Calif. and gave him the use of the house in Berkeley as Miller was going east.

She said the house gave a series of clublike dinners to introduce the Millers into Wash. Society, wh. she firmly believed the Millers would be.

She said one day during the Harding administration she met Miller in the street and said "how is my dear friend"; that he replied "why do you call me a friend Democrat? I am a Republican!" She said Miller was very trust worthy in the Univ. of Calif. - that she was his

classmate and that the Harvard club of San F. raised a scholarship to send him to Harvard.

May 7. Friday

Received a letter from Geo H saying Curtis had seen Loring who felt it would be useless to write Sen. Butler, as he would have no hand in the matter; that Butler had given him the impression that Miller could control the alphabet and that he had in mind some man from Pa.; that Loring thought it was Norris but Geo H said he didn't believe Norris would take it...

Geo H said to leave Bruce see Miller at once or missed. after the Pa. primary on May 18; that Bruce suspected Miller's policies etc.

Geo H added:

The only blow I have is that Sen Reed of Pa. - who is a very close friend of Miller - and who complained in a speech in the Senate a few months ago that Pa. had no rep. in any form, - may have some one in mind and he Miller may find it hard to rebut this. Sen Reed did not mention Sen McPherson, he spoke

of the Int. Com. Com^{rs} & the Nat. Natl. Com^{rs},
 shortly before Woodhull was confirmed in
 the President announced that in making appointments
 in the future, he will recognize the claims of
 Pa & the Government.

One director Mr. Bowman is here today and
 will write to Atty Gen. Seafort requesting him to
 see Mr. Hillen at any time that you may
 think advisable. Let me know so you will
 let the letter written right away or not until
 the 18th. Very sincerely,

This afternoon Bertie received a letter from
 Mrs. Bruce asking, the letter of complaint
 in her son's engagement to Alice Hillen,
 and at the end she said:-

"Cabell tells me that Sen. Elam says that
 the President is going to withdraw Mr. Hillen
 and Cabell tells me tonight that he
 (Cabell) is going to see the Sec. of the
 Treasury about it." Ever affectionately

I at once sent you H the following letter:-
 Dear Mr. H:

I have you very kind note, Sen. Elam and
 Sen. Bruce have each seen Sec. Hillen and the
 President and I have reason to believe they are
 very probable, although time only will tell.
Now, of course, in absolute confidence,
 let everything rest until you hear from me
 again.

Whatever the outcome, I feel bound to
 have you and my other friends told me.
 As you know, such voluntary friendship
 means so much more to me than if I
 asked it, even on the basis of deep
 friendship.

With best regards from me both,

Sincerely, you

Called on Mr. John Jones at Warden's Park
 Hotel. He looked well but had a bad attack
 of angina pectoris in Feb. and a slight
 stroke about 3 weeks ago.

May 8

Mr C came in and called my attention to a clipping in the N.Y. Journal of Com. yesterday saying Mr Fadden wanted my place on the MBoard.

Mr C said such an attempt would be purely political and he did not believe I would think of accepting it.

(See Sec 60)

The more I think of it the more convinced I am, esp. in view of Mr Bruce's letter to Berke that, Mr Miller must have told them that my resignation was settled, in confidence, and that I was kept in confidence and merely told me that Miller said he would recommend and urge my re-appoint as the President.

The suggestion of Mr Fadden for my place is grotesque. Ch. Compt. Kane, in his Romance & Tragedy of Banking sets forth Mr Fadden's frequent violations of the Nat. Act.

Mr Fadden as Pres of Nat Act of Compt. had said Compt. Williams alleging a conspiracy

to wreck the bank, of wh. he was President. In this suit Ch. Compt. Kane made an affidavit that my former Williams took office this month and has been criticised for violations of law, irregularities and unsatisfactory conditions, based on reports of some disinterested examiners, during the term of Williams' presidency; these criticisms covered excessive loans, real estate unlawfully held, unimprovable cash items, defective book keeping methods, unlawful investment in a purchase of stock, statutory bad debts, concentration of loans to allied interests of the President and excessive exaltation of directors and other interests.

Later Kane said:

This bank had been subject to criticism for a number of years and was placed on the special list in account of its generally unsatisfactory condition, due to excessive loans, shortage in view, unlawful real estate holdings, slow and unsatisfactory loans, irregular cash items, unsatisfactory methods of receiving bank balances, and persistent disregard of the law and admonitions of the Comptroller, office."

Mr. Kane also said that on May 24, 1968 a letter was sent from the Comptroller's office to the Bd of Directors to object that if President McFadden is not inclined to observe the instructions of the Board and the law he should be required to resign...; that he wrote this letter & Williams never knew of it before it went out.

Kane added that the frequent reports and special exams were, not because of any ill will of Williams, but because of the continued unsatisfactory condition of the bank and the attitude of the dominant management, who, because of the fact that he was a member of Congress, seemed to be under the impression that he was entitled to law and the regulation of the Comptroller of the currency.

T. 481, 482, 483. Kane Board

Think of such a man as the McFadden and possibly as Governor!

May 9. Sunday

Edith is on a long drive

May 11. Tuesday

McIntosh, Comptroller of currency, called in and said he had a long talk w. Mr. McFadden yesterday about McFadden matters; that McFadden was very much disturbed about conditions in the Board - I believe he resented Miller; that McFadden spoke of Ed very appreciatively, and said he had always found him helpful and cooperative; that McFadden asked him if he did not believe Ed should be re-elected.

McIntosh said he told McFadden that he certainly believed Ed should be re-elected; that he was very independent in voting but always fair and courteous and helpful; that he believed every member loved and respected him and would be very much pleased to have him continue with the Bd.

He said McFadden said he considered Ed as a close friend; that he was greatly attached to Anna, who was

one of Julia's closest friends, and that if there were no other names his close friendship on this and his abjection on Anna would make it impossible for him to recommend anyone else for admission to the Board.

Mr Pennington called, 5 PM

She said Randolph asked her the other day, - are you going to give all the Royalton in the Union book to the Wom. Dem Club? she said she thought he meant that Edith should have a part of them and she asked us if we would object to her writing Edith that she would give $\frac{1}{2}$ to her and $\frac{1}{2}$ to the club. We both said we had no objection.

Mr P. originally told Edith, Randolph and ourselves that she was to give all the Treobite to the Dem Club to which we all agreed.

Wed. May 12

Mr C. came in and said Holony, President of Nat. Trust Co. said there was some feeling in Boston that the seasonal gift in Mass might injure me, implying that Butler might wish to have some Mass. Reuben. Holony given my place. I told Mr C. there was nothing in this and that Butler was on me, and that I thought Mr. Allen would decide the matter. Mr C. seemed very friendly and said Mr Judd's advice would be so surely political he did not think for a moment it would be made.

May 13. Thursday

Newton Baker wrote enclosing a strong editorial in my favor from the Cleveland Plain Dealer of May 12. (See Sec Bk), and asking if he did help.

Mr Cong. Allen wrote me from Cleveland when she was spending the day, enclosing the same editorial, saying it stated her sentiments.

May 14. Friday

Mr. Lusk, com. of com. came in and said again that Miller was much disturbed by some of Miller's suggestions as to change in M.A. to author. Miller to refuse to direct Miller when he are making several loans etc; that he said he had made a great mistake in name. Miller was right 2 years ago.

Mr. Lusk also said Miller had no real on Platt.

Mr. Vanderbilt in article in current People's Magazine raised M.A. and advocated extending charter of M.A. He said the Act had proved 95% good.

He also said the personnel of the M.A. had deteriorated noticeably; that they paid more attention to expenses and minor administrative matters, than to the great problems they were asked to consider, and that if some great crisis should arise their ability to cope with it was held in grave doubt.

May 15. Sat

Laurel Green said Prof. Lusk proved that the other day greatly, saying he believed right and what troubled him was that there should be any apprehension about it.

May 16. Sun

Mr & Mrs Sydney Brewster (Mary Lyne) left today. They have been in Wash. since Thursday.

May 17. Mond.

I told com. of com. of James's plan to discontinue M.A. of Boston currency agency leaving attention alone; I said Atlanta had more M.A. in circulation - 185.6 millions - than any other bank except N.Y.; that the notes were $2\frac{1}{2} \times$ the deposits, - the highest ratio in the system; that while she had 90% gold collateral against the notes the deposit ratio was only 52%; that she was bound to have trouble with Florida banks, - so M.A. Newton told me; that if a new central bank were established in Cuba she would have to redeem all of her

on notes; that she was quite heavy and that she should reduce her Notes in Cuba & Boston should make good the amount with Boston Notes.

The Compt. said he agreed w. me absolutely; that he had no confidence in the attempt being manifest; that he would vote on discontinuing Boston.

I also told him that, even if we wanted to discontinue Boston, now was not the time to do it; that such action would be to interpret the Fed into violence as there was a close and better relation in them and that such action might considerably lose one Reub. Senator; Butler; there is absolute confidence.

Gov Harding came to Wash. to continue his testimony before Sub. Committee Com.

He said Butler told him that the matter of my rabbit had been taken out of his hands and left with the Miller and the President; to his great relief as he did not want to disappoint the Reub. Violentists nor to alienate my many subscribers in Mass.

He said he understood that the mention of Gov Harris's name came from Gov. Strong.

May 18. Tues.

Platt said Gov Harding told him that Gov's disquiet as Gov expired in April and that he was now merely holding over.

Sen. Clemen called in P M at her house and said he was much interested in the report in Sunday's paper that Gov Norman and Gov Strong had given an ultimatum to France in a matter of receiving pecuniary assistance from RFB and U.S. - as to levying real tax also to square the budget, also insisting on requests of Gov of Bd of Finance etc etc.

Clemen said he should like to get into this negotiation, that he thoroughly approved of it etc.

CRS said it had never been discussed before the Board, but if it were and Clemen should ask to be heard, doubtless the Bd would hear him.

Miller spoke of the newspaper report this am. CRS had not seen it.

It has never been mentioned by

Sw. S. at my Board meeting.

May 19. Wed.

Sen Pepper broken in the primary report for Senate yesterday by over 100,000.

Mr. Hickborn, of Augusta called and said he had been asked if he would like to be elected to my position in the Fed and that he believed that while he felt the position was one of the toughest in the country, that no power on earth could induce him to stand in my way, that I ought to be re-elected and that we would do all in the power to elect me. I asked him if the Maine Senate was overridingly and he smiled and said "I have reason to believe they are", - meaning, I think, that he had made them so.

May 20. Thursday

Second meeting to those who joined about in Cuba. Met took up 1st resolution that Sen. The Cambrian be "denominated" from Mr. Syllim.

not said that Cambrian should be given a chance to be heard before passing sentence on him and that Mr. of Atlanta should be called on for an investigation. James Galtley objected to this.

not moved to lay on table temporarily pending other motions be should object.

Debate. Age 111. Plott. No. 2. C. Keller James & Cunningham

comit. of cur. moved to adopt the resolution.

Passed. 111 alone voting No

comit. of cur. moved that the conduct of direct library be investigated by the Spec. Com^{tee} to ascertain who. He also should be denied from the Mr Syllim

Passed unanimously

not moved that committee report be called on by Mr. of Atlanta covering the whole transaction of that bank in conn. w. the movement of currency to its Havana agency in

about 10, incl. the instructions given to the Party
wh. accompanied the currency shipments,
including the personal conduct of the members
of the Party.

Passed unanimously
Cott moved that Mr. James personally commu-
-nicate the foregoing action of the Board to the
Bank and the individuals concerned.

Passed unanimously

The above presented a compromise so as to
give Campbell a chance to be heard if he
wanted. Cott said it would be improper to
remove an officer w. out first giving the Bd
an opportunity to investigate and recommend
whether action; that if the Bank backed &
acted satisfactorily, then the Bd. could act.
James utterly disagreed. He said Campbell
was an imposter man anyway having
little knowledge of banking.

Cott said this might be so, but clearly
in the subscriber charge he was entitled
to a hearing.

Finally the above was passed so that
James could directly say to Campbell that

if he wished a hearing, he could have one by
the W. B. and later by the Bd. but that most
of the Bd. believed he could quietly resign
to avoid public scandal.

James also wanted Bd. at once to remove
the director, Mr. Cray, but Cott pointed
out there was absolutely no evidence
justifying removal, and most of the Bd.
agreed w. him. James, however, claimed
that the mere fact of the going in the
line justified the removal.

Cott pointed out that, conceivably, he
might have been ordered to go by the
Board, and that we should have evidence
before acting.

James also wanted Bd. to remove Geo
Willbom, on ground of ~~intoxication~~ ^{intoxication}
recently at a public dinner of W. B. and
men and later at a private home.
The Bd. felt that this matter should be
kept secret but the investigation
James sd Willbom was grossly in-
-competent.

Cummins sd why the did not recently
increase his salary to 25000?

James sd it was given to the officer

and not to the men.

Cumington said that - almost from news
received wh. James referred to - he should
write to William Wellman.

He then arose as to James' recommendation to
abolish the Cuban agency at Porto and
turn it over to Atlanta.

But he should first have to consider
this; that the Bd at Porto should have
Atlanta by issuing its own notes to a
limited amount & that it should not be
abolished; that he could have a reasonable
time to make such a plan.

Most of the Bd felt there was no room
for steady action.

James said there was as there was a rumor
that the Bd was to refuse and break
agencies wh. was greatly weakening the
Banks in Cuba.

But he would agree to leave the Bd
told at well that Bd had no such
intention and had under consideration
plans - would study them - but meeting
the agency were obnoxious.

James insisted that we should first tentatively
advise the plan and then have a meeting
at which the Nat. City officials should be
asked to give an opinion.

In reply to Cornish. of course, he said he
would agree that all the boys should be
heard, incl. the Fed. Res. of Porto.
But said the Sec. of the Treasury should be
consulted before any such action was taken
also the Compt. and James got very much
and said if we did not know tentatively
advise the plan, he was through & would
not come to Atlanta on the subject of
the first motion. He was like a startled
child. He did agree however that the
Sec. of Treasury should be consulted.

The Bd then adjourned on Thurs.

At 2.30, the Bd reconvened and James
was more quiet - Cumington told me
he would greet the and Cornish. of course,
said Wellman knew the whole situation
and would greet James.

Wellman moved that the Bd ask the

State Dept. wh. it still favored the agency
and wh. the U.S. was under any obligation
under the Platt amendment to Cuba to reach
it supplied with U.S. currency.
Cot objected to going over the head of
the Sec. of the Treasury and called themselves.

Finally Cot moved that Geo C. Keller and
James see the Sec. and ask him to accede
as to about.

This was passed unanimously
Geo C. moved that the officers be as
the question be brought by the before the
conference w. the Sec. and the Com^{rs} were
instructed to prepare the questions and
submit later to the Sec.

Cot offered a motion that the M^{rs}bank of
Boston be advised that a Com^{rs} had
recommended abolish its agency, and
that it be given an opportunity to
be heard.

all favored this but no vote was taken
as the matter went off as about
shown.

a motion was then made ^{by Cunningham} that the Atlanta
Com^{rs} and not James alone, take up w. the
M^{rs}bank of Atlanta the matter of the about
change vs. Cumberland etc.

Cot said he preferred not to act as
the matter was inevitably connected
w. the question of the abolishing of the
Boston agency, and every one knows. he
preferred not to be drawn into any
preliminary discussion; that the Com^{rs}
should have no connection with either
Boston or Atlanta, and that as James
alone had served in the preliminary
Com^{rs} he should remain alone in this
Com^{rs}.

All, including James, agreed that this
was a fair motion.

James bitterly attacked Melbury; said some
years ago he used the motion as M^{rs}bank directed
to cover Melbury. He into hanging bundle for
the time; that a M^{rs}bank of atty Gen. looked into
it & was satisfied it was true but did not
get enough evidence to convict him.
Cot vaguely remembered about this.

May 20. Friday Thursday

Miller gave a lecture to Fed. Adv. Council at the house.

After supper Mr. Alexander spoke at some length defending the call loan rule; he referred to Glass and cited legislation in 1914 that the money was borrowed on Wall St, but pointed out how the call loan market had grown notwithstanding. He ridiculed the Miller suggestion of charging the Fed so the Gov. could refuse to discount on a bank making speculative loans.

He said eventually Gov. B. and H. Gov. could correct any loan abuses.

Afterwards he told him he agreed about w. him and pointed out that his remarks in 1914 were simply to object that under the old law, state bank loans were in effect made by the N. Y. banks using the reserve money of the country banks which under the M. Act only subsidiary banks of the country banks could so be used, this was never being consided in gold in the M. Act; that while the M. Act could loan 65% of these reserves they could do it only by

discounting eligible notes; whatever use of these funds might later be made by the Fed securing the loans.

Alexander also said he agreed with the

entirely. Robert
he thought it was only said the last 3 or 4 members of the Fed were not big enough men for the job. He said they all looked like personally and that he knew little about banking and was not set on the job.