

At a regular meeting of the Federal Reserve Board held in the office of the Board at 11:00 a. m., September 28, 1914

## PRESENT:

Mr. Hamlin	Mr. Warburg
Mr. Delano	Mr. Harding
Mr. Williams	Mr. Miller.

The Governor, Mr. Hamlin, presided until called from the room when the Vice Governor, Mr. Delano, took the chair. Mr. Sherman P. Allen acted as Secretary.

The Governor presented a letter from Mr. L. L. Rue, Chairman of the Clearing House Association of Philadelphia, Pa., stating that the Third National Bank of Scranton, Pa., had expressed its willingness to subscribe \$100,000 to the Gold Pool. After discussion Mr. Miller and Mr. Warburg were appointed a committee to prepare a reply to be submitted to the Board.

A letter from Mr. Albert H. Wiggin, Chairman of the Gold Fund Committee in New York, announcing the addition of the name of James N. Wallace to that committee was laid before the Board.

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The Governor called attention to a letter from Mr. S. G. Sargent of Salem, Oregon, suggesting the probability that postal savings funds will, upon the organization of the Federal Reserve Banks, be drawn from nonmember banks and deposited with member banks, and advising a gradual transfer. This letter with a statement of bonds held by the Treasurer of the United States as security for postal savings funds in banks other than national banks, and a statement showing the amount of postal savings funds on deposit in each State in banks holding other than Federal charters, was ordered referred to Counsel for his opinion and the submission to the Board of draft of a reply for the signature of the Governor.

A letter from A. E. Clapham, president of the Commercial National Bank of Washington, D. C., submitting an extract from the minutes of the meeting of the Board of Directors of the Commercial National Bank, held on September 24, 1914, was laid before the Board. The letter made application for permission to open a branch bank at Balboa, Canal Zone, and to conduct the same according to the rules and regulations of the Federal Reserve Board. It further stated that the bank is setting aside \$100,000

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from its capital stock for the business of the branch. Approval of the action of the Commercial National Bank was requested by its president and on motion the matter was referred to Counsel for examination and the preparation of a reply for submission to the Committee on Foreign Branches of Member Banks.

The Governor laid before the Board a letter from W. W. Hoxton, Manager of the St. Louis Clearing-House Association at St. Louis, Missouri, forwarding individual resolutions passed by the boards of the eighteen members of the St. Louis Clearing House Association pledging the \$5,000,000 allotted to St. Louis as her proportion of the gold fund.

The Board resumed consideration of the preliminary report of the progress with steps of procedure to be followed in organizing Federal Reserve Banks, paragraphs 1, 2, 3 and 4 of which had been tentatively adopted. On motion it was voted to delay consideration of paragraph 5 for a further report from Mr. Delano and paragraph 6, the last of the report, was adopted.

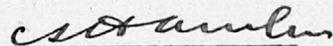
Consideration of Class "C" directors was resumed and salaries to be paid to the officers to be chosen by the

Board for Federal Reserve Banks were discussed without affirmative action.

On motion, at 12:55 p. m. the Board adjourned to meet at 3:00 p. m. September 28, 1914.

  
Assistant Secretary.

APPROVED:

  
Chairman.