

At a regular meeting of the Federal Reserve Board held in the office of the Board at 3.00 p. m. on Monday, January 25,

## PRESENT:

Mr. Hamlin, presiding,	Mr. Harding
Mr. Delano	Mr. Miller
Mr. Warburg	Mr. Willis, Secretary.

The minutes of the preceding meeting were read and approved.

The report of a special committee relating to the salary of Deputy Federal Reserve Agent La Monte of Philadelphia, was approved, subject to the provision that the salary in question shall run for a period determined by requests for service made by the Federal Reserve Agent of the Bank at Philadelphia.

On motion the question whether, when note issues have been made by sundry banks the 5% redemption fund has in every case been formally deposited with the Treasurer, was referred to Standing Committee #7, on Issue and Redemption.

The question of the form of bill to be transmitted to persons who have made inquiry regarding proposed State legislation, was referred back to the Governor of the Board

with power to act.

Telegrams regarding the question of clearing checks were ordered to be sent by the Secretary to the Federal reserve agents of the districts in which such telegrams originated.

A letter from J. O. B. Young, relative to the eligibility of certain municipal warrants in Texas for purchase by Federal Reserve banks, was referred to Counsel for preparation of a reply.

A letter from Federal Reserve Agent Wellborn, transmitting a resolution regarding the establishment of a branch bank in New Orleans, was referred to the Secretary of the Board with instructions to acknowledge it suitably.

A recommendation of Chief of Division Broderick, approved by Mr. Harding as Chairman of the Committee on State Banks, that the State Bank of Savoy, Texas, be admitted to the system on the basis of full compliance with the regulations, was approved.

A recommendation of Chief of Division Broderick regarding State and Clearing House examinations of the Mercantile Trust Company, of St. Louis, was tabled, pending an opportunity to consult with Federal Reserve Agent Martin.

A recommendation of Mr. Williams that the application of the Biddeford National Bank of Biddeford, Maine, for reduction

of capital be granted, was approved.

The report of the Committee on Bonding of Employees, favorable to fixing the bond of Assistant Reserve Agent Cramer of Chicago, at \$100,000 was approved.

The application of Governor Theodore Wold of the Federal Reserve Bank of Minneapolis for a limit of 90% of capital on agricultural loans, was approved.

A letter from Guy Emerson of the Market World and Chronicle was ordered answered, with the statement that the Board is thoughtfully considering the subject referred to.

The Secretary of the Board was directed to wire Federal Reserve Agents to bring with them to the meeting of February 1st a memorandum designed to set forth in brief form such criticisms and difficulties as the reserve system is meeting in the several districts, and suggestions for meeting the same.

A letter from A. P. Haggard of the American National Bank of Dayton, Tennessee, was ordered referred to Mr. Harding for a suitable reply.

On motion, the new circular on commercial paper was made a special order for Tuesday morning, January 26.

A letter from Mr. Claude Gatch, addressed to Mr. Williams, and transmitting letters from the Bank Commissioner

of California, was referred to Mr. A. J. Miller for reply.

The action of the Secretary in referring to the Federal Reserve Agent at New York the question of eligibility of bonds of the City of Seattle, was approved.

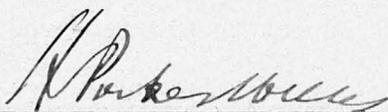
A draft of the new circular on warrants was referred back to the Committee which has had it in charge, for action. (Subcommittee A, Standing Committee #3, Mr. Hamlin, Chairman.)

On recommendation of the Secretary's office, Miss Nannie T. Steger, a stenographer in the employ of the Board, was confirmed as having the same status as the employees of the Organization Committee taken over prior to November 2d, Miss Steger having been one of these employees.

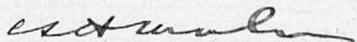
The Secretary of the Board was directed to draft a telegram to Federal Reserve Agent Martin in reply to his letter regarding the use of Federal reserve notes in reserves.

Communications from Counsel for certain Detroit Trust Companies were presented to the Board and the Secretary was instructed to say that the briefs which they might submit would be given suitable attention.

On motion, at 5.00 p. m. the Board adjourned to meet at 11.00 a. m., Tuesday, January 26.

  
Secretary.

APPROVED:

  
Chairman.