

At a regular meeting of the Federal Reserve Board held in the office of the Board at 11.15 a. m. on Monday, March 15,

## PRESENT:

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

The minutes of the meeting of 11.15 a. m. Friday, March 12 and 10.00 a. m. Saturday, March 13, were read and approved.

Applications for additional stock in Federal Reserve banks, aggregating a total of 154 shares, were approved as follows:

DISTRICT No. 1.

Lyndonville National	Lyndonville, Vt.
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DISTRICT No. 2.

First National	East Rochester, N. Y.
National Exchange	Boonville, N. Y.

DISTRICT No. 3.

First National Bank of	Millburn, N. J.
Grantham National Bank	Grantham, Pa.

DISTRICT No. 4.

Peoples National Bank	Delmont, Pa.
First National Bank	Bremen, Ohio.
Springfield National	Springfield, Ohio
The National Bank	Ellsworth, Pa.

Clymer National Bank	Clymer, Pa.
Central National	Columbus, Ohio
Anglaize National	Wapakoneta, Ohio
Union National	Fostoria, Ohio
Central National	St. Paris, Ohio
New Richmond National	New Richmond, Ohio
First National	New Holland, Ohio
Lyndora National	Lyndora, Pa.
First National	Hopedale, Ohio
First National	Londonville, Ohio
Ravenna National	Ravenna, Ohio
First National	Chesterhill, Ohio
First National	Ada, Ohio
Tiffin National	Tiffin, Ohio
Merchants National	Defiance, Ohio
Guernsey National	Cambridge, Ohio.

DISTRICT No. 5.

Page Valley National	Luray, Va.
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DISTRICT No. 6.

First National	Philadelphia, Miss.
The National Bank	Franklin, Tenn.
Stones River National	Murfreesboro, Tenn.

DISTRICT No. 7.

Sheldon National	Sheldon, Ia.
First National	Clearfield, Ia.
Citizens National	Spencer, Ia.
First National	Cayuga, Ind.
First National	Sheridan, Ind.

DISTRICT No. 9.

First National	Drayton, N. D.
First National	Chisholm, Minn.

DISTRICT No. 11

Farmers & Merchants Nat.	De Leon, Texas
First National	Elk City, Okla.
Chickasha National	Chickasha, Okla.

Citizens National	Antlers, Okla.
City National	El Paso, Texas
Marlin National Bank	Marlin, Texas
Buchel National	Cuero, Texas.

DISTRICT No. 12.

Petaluma National	Petaluma, Cal.
First National	Parlier, Cal.
First National	Sebastopol, Cal.
First National	Brawley, Cal.
First National	El Centro, Cal.
First National	Azusa, Cal.
First National	Richmond, Cal.
Farmers Nat'l. Bank	Colfax, Wash.
Yuma National	Yuma, Ariz.
First National	Artesia, Cal.

Applications for the surrender of capital stock in Federal reserve banks, totalling 88 shares, were approved, as follows:

		Shares.
Laconia National Bank	Laconia, N. H.	13
The Granite Nat'l Bank	Augusta, Me.	3
Ware National Bank	Ware, Mass.	18
Gloucester Nat'l Bank	Gloucester, Mass.	54

Applications for the exercise of the functions of executor, trustee, etc., were referred to the Comptroller of the Currency for recommendation, as follows:

First National Bank	Alexandria, Va.
Eauquier National Bank	Warrenton, Va.
Jefferson Nat'l. Bank	Charlottesville, Va.

A report of the Comptroller of the Currency relating to the condition of the Palmetto National Bank of Columbia, S. C. prepared in connection with its application for the privilege of exercising the functions of trustee, executor, etc., was received

and ordered transmitted to Federal Reserve Agent Ingle, further action to be deferred pending receipt of more information.

Mr. Williams presented the following motion:

RESOLVED, That it is the sense of this Board that the Federal Reserve Banks should assist, so far as they may with propriety and discretion, the efforts of the national bank members in their respective districts, to secure the enactment of such legislation as may be necessary to remove the restrictions which now prevent the Federal Reserve Board from conferring upon the national banks in certain states the right to act as executor, trustee, registrar, etc.

After discussion it was agreed that the proposed motion should lie on the table until a later meeting when a larger number of members should be present.

On motion it was voted that the whole question of the present practice and procedure in granting the powers of trustee, executor, administrator, etc., should be referred to a committee consisting of the Vice-Governor, Mr. Harding and Counsel, with directions to consider it carefully and present a formal report to the Board, stating what ought to be done in order to render the procedure more satisfactory.

The Comptroller of the Currency having reported favorably with reference to the following Banks:

United States National Bank	Denver, Colo.
National Shawmut Bank	Boston, Mass.
Merchants National Bank	Dover, N. H.

the Board voted to authorize these institutions to exercise the functions of trustee, executor, etc.

On motion, the application of the Exchange National Bank of Pittsburgh, Penna., duly recommended by the Comptroller of the Currency, for reduction of its capital stock in the sum of \$450,000 was approved.

A letter from Federal Reserve Agent Wellborn of Atlanta, transmitting the protest of the Board of Directors of the Federal Reserve Bank of Atlanta against so high a rate of rediscount between Federal reserve banks, as had been fixed was read to the Board by the Secretary. It was directed that the communication be acknowledged and the action taken by the Board be fully stated to Mr. Wellborn. The same action was taken in connection with letters of Federal Reserve Agent Wills and Deputy Federal Reserve Agent McCaleb.

A letter from the Corporation Trust Co., regarding the procedure in rediscounts between Federal Reserve Banks was presented to the Board and the Secretary was instructed to answer it with a full statement of the procedure to be followed as already determined.

The plan outlined by Chief of Division Broderick for the examination of trust departments of national banks

was presented to the Board and referred to the Committee on Audit and Examination.

The question of a circular providing for the admission of State Banks to the Federal reserve system, was brought before the Board, and after discussion an informal poll of the members present showed that it was the unanimous desire that provision be made for the entry of State banks into the system at as early a date as possible, under conditions which would give them the privilege of leaving the system subject to proper restrictions such as may be determined upon.

The question of redistricting appeals was considered and referred to a committee consisting of the Governor, Vice-Governor and Mr. Warburg, to prepare a statement or report relating to the same, for presentation and action at the meeting of Tuesday, March 16th.

The minutes of the meeting of March 10, which had not heretofore been approved, were re-presented to the Board. On motion, action was deferred until the meeting of Tuesday, March 16.

Letters from Assistant Secretary Malburn, relating to the preparation and delivery of Federal reserve notes and Federal reserve bank notes, were presented to the Board and

ordered referred to the Committee on Issue and Redemption.

The communication of the National Park Bank of New York City, previously considered, relative to acceptances in trade between two foreign countries, was laid on the table, with the understanding that a recorded vote should be taken regarding the point therein raised at the meeting of Tuesday, March 16.

The question of the release of opinion of Counsel relative to Section 22 of the Federal Reserve Act, having been brought up, the matter was referred to the Governor of the Board for report.

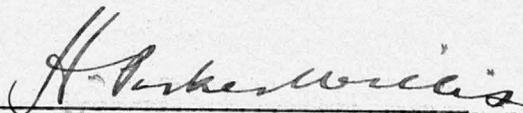
A complaint from the Mellon National Bank of Pittsburgh relative to the cost of examination was referred to the Counsel and Secretary of the Board with orders to prepare and send a suitable letter in reply.

Applications from the Mississippi and Tennessee Bankers Associations, asking for the designation of a member of the Federal Reserve Board to address them at their approaching meetings were ordered declined with regrets.

A complaint of an alleged interview said to have been put out by Acting Governor Van Zandt of the Federal Reserve Bank of Dallas, Texas, having been brought to the attention of the Board, the Secretary was instructed to make further inquiry as to

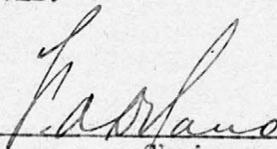
Mr. Van Zandt's action.

On motion, at 1.20 p. m. the Board adjourned  
to meet at 11.00 a. m. Tuesday, March 16.



Secretary.

APPROVED:



Chairman.