

At a regular meeting of the Federal Reserve Board held in the office of the Governor on Monday, April 19th at 11.00 a. m.

PRESENT:

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

The minutes of the meeting of Friday, April 16th were read and approved.

The Secretary reported the receipt of a letter from Federal Reserve Agent Curtiss giving the results of a more extensive investigation of the affairs of the Chicopee National Bank of Springfield, Mass., showing that the Chicopee National Bank was in suitable condition to be vested with the right to exercise the functions of executor, trustee, etc., in accordance with the provisions of the Federal Reserve Act. On motion it was voted that the Chicopee National Bank be vested with these functions.

On motion, applications for capital stock in Federal Reserve banks aggregating 402 shares, were approved as follows:

<u>DISTRICT No. 7.</u>		Shares.
First National Bank	Fremont, Ind.	15

<u>DISTRICT No. 9.</u>		Shares.
First National Bank	Lake Norden, S. Dak.	18

ADDITIONAL STOCK

<u>DISTRICT No. 1.</u>		
First National Bank	Attleboro, Mass.	90

<u>DISTRICT No. 2.</u>		
First National Bank	Bay Shore, N. Y.	1
First National Bank	Brushton, N. Y.	2
Cazenovia National Bank	Cazenovia, N. Y.	1
First National Bank	Central Square, N. Y.	2
Dundee National Bank	Dundee, N. Y.	1
First National Bank	Farmingdale, N. Y.	1
First National Bank	Lindenhurst, N. Y.	1
First National Bank	Newark, N. Y.	1
National Bank	Newport, N. Y.	6
First National Bank	Olean, N. Y.	12
First National Bank	Sodus, N. Y.	2
Citizens National Bank	Springville, N. Y.	1
Emerson National Bank	Warrensburgh, N. Y.	3

<u>DISTRICT No. 3.</u>		
First National Bank	Bound Brook, N. J.	15
Brownstown National Bank	Brownstown, Pa.	2
Mauch Chunk National Bank	Mauch Chunk, Pa.	6
First National Bank	Middleburgh, Pa.	3

<u>DISTRICT No. 4.</u>		
First National Bank	Carlisle, Ky.	1
City National Bank	Tiffin, Ohio.	1
Commercial National Bank	Tiffin, Ohio.	6
First National Bank	Smithfield, Pa.	2
County National Bank	Punxsutawney, Pa.	2

<u>DISTRICT No. 5</u>		
First National Bank	Snow Hill, Md.	6



DISTRICT No. 5. (Cont'd.)

Shares

Jefferson National Bank	Charlottesville, Va.	6
First National Bank	Shinnston, W. Va.	6
National Bank of	Thurmond, W. Va.	1

DISTRICT No. 6.

First National Bank	Ozark, Ala.	3
Peoples National Bank	Orlando, Fla.	2
First National Bank	Covington, Ga.	3
Sullivan Bank & Trust Co.	Montgomery, Ala.	1

DISTRICT No. 7.

Caledonia National Bank	Caledonia, Ill.	2
First National Bank	Elmhurst, Ill.	1
First National Bank	Rock Falls, Ill.	2
Farmers National Bank	Warsaw, Ill.	1
First National Bank	Greens Fork, Ind.	1
Citizens National Bank	Tipton, Ind.	3
First National Bank	Cumberland, Iowa	3
First National Bank	Rockwell City, Iowa	1
Citizens National Bank	Royal, Iowa	1
Story City National Bank	Story City, Iowa	2

DISTRICT No. 9.

First National Bank	Deer Creek, Minn.	1
First National Bank	Portland, N. Dak.	3
First National Bank	Hudson, S. Dak.	1
Dakota National Bank	Yankton, S. Dak.	6

DISTRICT No. 10.

Farmers National Bank	Greensburg, Kans.	3
First National Bank	Kensington, Kans.	1
First National Bank	Neosho, Mo.	3
First National Bank	Clarks, Nebr.	3
First National Bank	Fremont, Nebr.	3
Rawlins National Bank	Rawlins, Wyo.	6
Farmers National Bank	Atwood, Kans.	5

DISTRICT No. 11.

Shares

First National Bank	Nogales, Ariz.	15	2/18/15
Peoples National Bank	New Iberia, La.	3	
First National Bank	Nogales, Ariz.	15	3/30/15
National Bank of	Hastings, Okla.	1	
First National Bank of	Woodville, Okla.	1	
Farmers National Bank	Cooper, Tex.	1	
Border National Bank	Eagle Pass, Tex.	15	
Citizens National Bank	Emmis, Tex.	30	
First National Bank	May, Tex.	1	
First National Bank	Strawn, Tex.	16	

DISTRICT No. 12.

First National Bank	Alhambra, Cal.	21
First National Bank	Ducor, Cal.	1
San Fernando Nat. Bank	San Fernando, Cal.	3
First National Bank	Challis, Idaho	1
Citizens National Bank	Salmon, Idaho	1
First National Bank	Soldier, Idaho	1
First National Bank	Elko, Nev.	2
Stockgrowers & Farmers Nat'l.	Wallowa, Oreg.	2

Applications for the surrender of stock in Federal reserve banks, aggregating 42 shares, were approved as follows:

DISTRICT No. 2.

Bayside National Bank	Bayside, N. Y.	1
National Bank	Watervliet, N. Y.	3
First National Bank	Fulton, N. Y.	7

DISTRICT No. 4.

First National Bank	Bruin, Pa.	1
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DISTRICT No. 9.

First National Bank	Calumet, Mich.	30
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The draft of a letter to Federal Reserve Agent Rich stating the position of the Board with reference to the admission of State banks at the present time on a basis substantially identical with that of National banks, was presented by the Secretary of the Board and on motion approved and ordered transmitted.

The draft of a form of report on the question of changes in discount rates prepared by the Secretary of the Board in response to instructions, was on motion ordered distributed to each member of the Board prior to action.

A report from Mr. Harding relative to requiring a statement of the gross amount of overdrafts by member banks, the same to be stated in the daily reports of each Federal reserve bank, was presented to the Board, and on motion the same was approved, such approval carrying with it instructions to the Secretary of the Board to give the necessary directions to Federal reserve agents.

On motion, the draft of a letter prepared by the Secretary of the Board relative to the question of National banks participating in the State guarantee deposit funds, such letter being based upon a memorandum prepared by Counsel was approved and ordered transmitted.

The Secretary of the Board presented a report by Mr. Warburg relative to the present method of approving ap-

plications for the surrender of stock in Federal reserve banks when member banks are liquidating. Discussion ensued and it was agreed to continue, for the present at least, the existing plan of approving and certifying surrenders of capital stock.

On motion, the application of the First National Bank of Chicago for power to accept drafts or bills of exchange in amount not exceeding 100% of its capital and surplus, was approved.

The Secretary was directed to prepare a regular printed form for certifying such approvals and was further directed in the future to refer such applications to the Executive Committee as a matter of routine.

The application of Federal Reserve Agent Rich for more time within which to answer the petition of certain banks in Wisconsin for transfer to the Chicago district, was ordered referred to Counsel for preparation of a reply.

A letter from M. B. Wellborn expressing appreciation of the action of the Board with reference to advancing his salary, was read and ordered placed on file.

On motion the application of the Federal Reserve Bank of Boston for permission to increase its investments in tax warrants from ten up to fifteen per cent of its de-



posits was approved and the Secretary instructed so to notify the Bank of Boston.

A memorandum from the Assistant Secretary of the Board relative to an adjustment of accounts with the telegraph companies was read to the Board and the plan therein proposed was approved.

The question of ordering blanks for use in the making of duplicate reports of the condition of member banks for the use of Federal reserve banks having been presented to the Board, a general discussion of the question of the form of these reports as at present employed, ensued, and it was the sense of the Board that it is not advisable to make too frequent changes in the report forms as they appear to be causing a spirit of unrest among the member banks, which might easily extend to State banks and affect their attitude toward membership in the system.

On motion it was voted that the Executive Committee prepare a memorandum on the subject, the same to be embodied in a suitable letter from the Board to the Comptroller.

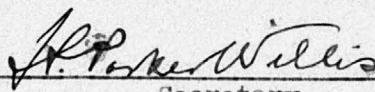
On motion, the Lincoln National Bank of Rochester, N. Y. was authorized to receive a copy of its approved application for the right to exercise the powers of executor, trustee, etc.

A letter from the Pompeian Oil Co. with reference to foreign exchange transactions was referred to Mr. Warburg.

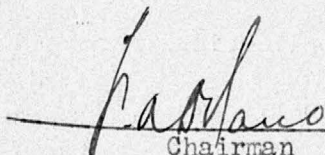
The Secretary of the Board called to the attention of the Board various reports and other documents which had come to him from Federal reserve banks.

Notification was received from Mr. J. B. Forgan, President of the Advisory Council, that the Executive Committee of the Council would appreciate an opportunity for an informal conference with the members of the Board in the afternoon of this day. Word was sent that such an informal conference would be appointed for 2.30 p. m.

On motion, at 1.00 p. m. the Board adjourned to meet at 11.00 a. m. on Wednesday, April 21st.

  
Secretary.

APPROVED:

  
Chairman