

At a regular meeting of the Federal Reserve Board held in the office of the Board at 11.40 a. m. on Wednesday, April 21,

PRESENT:

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

The minutes of the meeting of Monday, April 19, were read and approved.

The Acting Governor stated to the Board the general conditions under which the approaching Pan-American conference is to be held, and a general discussion of the plans and of methods of participation therein, ensued.

The Vice Governor reported the result of conferences between the special committee named for that purpose, and the Comptroller of the Currency relative to the sending out of revised report forms for national banks, and read to the Board a letter which had been transmitted to the Comptroller.

On motion the Board approved applications for 497 shares of the capital stock in Federal reserve banks, duly recommended by Mr. Harding, as follows:

<u>DISTRICT No. 1.</u>		Shares.
Second National Bank	Boston, Mass.	300

DISTRICT No. 2.

		Shares.
First National Bank	Wolcott, N.Y.	6
National Bank of	Wappingers Falls, N. Y.	1
National Bank	Walden, N. Y.	3
Redwood National Bank	Redwood, N. Y.	3
Frontier National Bank	Morristown, N. Y.	1
First National Bank	Mineola, N. Y.	1
Milford National Bank	Milford, N. Y.	1
National Bank of	Cortland, N. Y.	15

DISTRICT No. 4.

First National Bank	Prestonsburg, Ky.	4
First National Bank	Galion, Ohio	1
First National Bank	Jackson Center, O.	1
Peoples National Bank	Lodi, O.	5
Southern National Bank	Richmond, Ky.	2

DISTRICT No. 5.

First National Bank	Marlinton, W. Va.	3
Peoples National Bank	Salisbury, Md.	36
First National Bank	Portsmouth, Va.	2
First National Bank	Fort Mill, S. C.	2

DISTRICT No. 6.

First National Bank	Atmore, Ala.	3
First National Bank	Petersburg, Tenn.	1
East Alabama National Bank	Eufaula, Ala.	1
First National Bank	Reynolds, Ga.	1

DISTRICT No. 7.

Citizens National Bank	Greenwood, Ind.	2
First National Bank	Monrovia, Ind.	1

DISTRICT No. 8.

American National Bank	Bowling Green, Ky.	1
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DISTRICT No. 9. Shares.

First National Bank	Detroit, Minn.	3
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DISTRICT No. 10.

First National Bank	Dodge, Nebr.	3
National Bank of Commerce	Dodge City, Kans.	1
Galena National Bank	Galena, Kans.	3
First National Bank	White City, Kans.	3
First National Bank	Plainville, Kans.	6

DISTRICT No. 11.

Commercial National Bank	Uvalde, Tex.	6
Miles National Bank	Miles, Tex.	1
Citizens National Bank	Higgins, Tex.	1
First National Bank	Bellevue, Tex.	3
Commercial National Bank	El Paso, Tex.	3
First National Bank	Aylesworth, Okla.	1
Cordell National Bank	Cordell, Okla.	1
First National Bank	Lone Wolf, Okla.	1
First National Bank	Soper, Okla.	2
Calvin National Bank	Calvin, Okla.	1

DISTRICT No. 12.

Continental National Bank	Los Angeles, Cal.	61
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The following applications for the right to exercise the functions of trustee, executor, etc., were approved:

Citizens National Bank	Sedalia, Mo.
Marion National Bank	Lebanon, Ky.
First National Bank	Hopkinsville, Ky.
First National Bank	Anna, Ill.
First-Hardin National Bank	Elizabethtown, Ky.
Ayers National Bank	Jacksonville, Ill.
City National Bank	Evansville, Ind.
Old State National Bank	Evansville, Ind.
First National Bank	Bellaire, Ohio.

Second National Bank	Richmond, Ind.
First National Bank	McKinney, Tex.
National Exchange Bank	Waukesha, Wis.
Merchants National Bank	Cedar Rapids, Iowa
Crocker National Bank	Turners Falls, Mass.
First National Bank	Pittsfield, Ill.
First National Bank	Biloxi, Miss.

On motion the Board voted to disapprove for the present the following applications for the right to exercise executor and trustee powers, such action having been advised by the committee in charge:

Nokomis National Bank	Nokomis, Ill.
Peoples National Bank	Brattleboro, Vt.
Farmers National Bank	Valparaiso, Ind.
City National Bank	Clinton, Iowa.
First National Bank	Manistee, Mich.
First National Bank	Eureka Springs, Ark.
First National Bank	Greenwood, Miss.
National Bank of Carmi	Carmi, Ill.
First National Bank	Mt. Vernon, Ind.

Recommendations for the reconsideration of executor and trustee applications previously suspended or refused, transmitted by Federal Reserve Agents Ingle and Bosworth, were ordered referred to the special committee in charge.

On motion, applications for Federal reserve notes to the amount of \$440,000 duly recommended by the Committee on Issue and Redemption, were authorized for issue to the Federal Reserve Bank of Richmond as follows:

Twenty dollar denomination	\$80,000 per package	\$240,000
Fifty " " "	200,000 " "	200,000

Letters from Federal reserve agents relative to rates

of discount were presented to the Board. On motion, it was voted that the following rates, named by the Federal Reserve Bank of St. Louis, be approved by the Board:

Maturities over 90 days.....5%

A letter from the Secretary of the Advisory Council, transmitting certain recommendations, was read to the Board, and, on motion, was referred to Mr. Miller with the request that a reply be formulated.

A communication from Assistant Secretary of the Treasury Malburn, relating to the redemption of Federal Reserve notes, and a memorandum from Mr. W. S. Broughton, Chief of the Division of Loans and Currency, Treasury Department, relating to the redemption of Federal reserve bank notes, were referred to the Committee on Issue and Redemption for consideration.

On motion, the application of the Commercial National Bank of New Orleans for power to purchase acceptances up to 100% of its capital and surplus, the same being recommended by Federal Reserve Agent Wellborn, was approved.

Mr. Miller presented to the Board a letter from Bank of Commerce and Trust Co., of San Diego, California, expressing a desire to obtain membership in the Federal reserve system. On motion, it was voted that the pending applications be reported to the Board, and especially that of the institution which had

addressed Mr. Miller. It was further voted that, if necessary, information be obtained from Federal Reserve Agent Perrin relative to the condition of the bank in question as to whether there would be any objection to its becoming a member of the Federal reserve system. The subject was placed in charge of Mr. Miller with power to act.

On motion the application of the Federal Reserve Bank of Philadelphia for power to continue to hold warrants purchased by it, but not conforming to the regulations of the Board, was granted as follows:

\$1000.....	Wellsville, N. Y.
4125.....	East Aurora, N. Y.
5000.....	Malone, N. Y.
1000.....	Briar Cliff Manor, N. Y.
5000.....	Newark, N. Y.

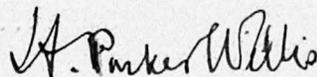
Papers transmitted by the Comptroller of the Currency regarding the status of the Third National Bank of Fitzgerald, Georgia, having been presented to the Board and duly examined, it was voted as the sense of the Board that, the Federal Reserve Bank of Atlanta having investigated the Fitzgerald situation, the Board sees no objection to the Comptroller taking such action in this matter as may seem to him wise.

The Vice Governor presented an opinion of Counsel with reference to the legality of counting and reporting the amount in the gold settlement fund as part of the reserves of the Federal reserve banks. On motion the opinion was ordered

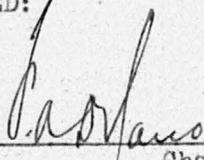
transmitted to Federal reserve agents with a letter stating that the Board intended to figure the gold in the proposed fund as cash in vault. The publication of this opinion in the forthcoming number of the Federal Reserve Bulletin was also authorized.

The Secretary of the Board outlined briefly the proposed contents of the forthcoming number of the Bulletin, and it was informally agreed that on Monday, April 26, the Board should make a general survey of the material.

On motion at 1.15 p. m. the Board adjourned to meet at 11.00 a. m. on Friday, April 23.


Secretary.

APPROVED:



Chairman.