At a regular meeting of the Federal Reserve Board held in the office of the Board at 11 a.m. on Monday, November 8,

PRESENT:

Mr. Hamlin, presiding Mr. Warburg

Mr. Delano.

Mr . Harding

Mr . Williams

Mr. Miller

Mr. Willis, Secretary.

The minutes of the meeting of November 6, were read and approved.

On motion the question of preparing for distribution a statement of the actual expense of examining member banks was referred to the Committee on Audit and Examination.

Mr. Williams reported that Mr. Delano and Mr. Harding had, in conjunction with him, reviewed the proposed forms for the reports of member banks on the next call, and that a general agreement with reference to the terms of the schedule of questions to be sent out, had been arrived at. Mr. Harding stated that he had, however, suggested the concentration of special questions.

tions on a statistical sheet to be sent our annually.

On motion applications for stock in Federal reserve banks, duly recommended by Mr. Harding, were approved as follows:

DISTRICT No. 2.

Shares.

First National Bank Harrisville, N. Y. 8
First National Bank Pompton Lakes, N.Y. 11

DISTRICT No. 5.

Farmers & Merchants Nat'l Ayden, N. C. 11

DISTRICT No. 7.

First National Bank Avoca, Mich. 17

DISTRICT No. 9

Farmers National Bank Lake Preston, S.D. 17

On motion, on the recommendation of Counsel and the Committee on State Banks, the applications of the following banks for fiduciary powers, were disapproved on strictly legal grounds:

First National Bank, East Newark, N. J. First National Bank, High Bridge, N. J.

A memorandum submitted by Chief of Division Broderick relating to the procedure in the approaching examination of Federal reserve banks, was on motion approved.

On motion a memorandum of the Division of Audit and Examination relating to the distribution of the Board's rulings with reference to accounting for organization expenses, was approved.

On motion a memorandum of the Division of Audit and Examination relating to the policy to be pursued in the payment of dividends by Federal reserve banks was referred to the Committee on Operation of Reserve Banks.

On motion a memorandum submitted by Chief of Division Broderick relative to the holding of an examination for eligible candidates for appointment as assistant examiner, was referred to the Committee on Staff.

On motion a memorandum of the Division of Audit and Examination relating to the acceptance of State bank examinations of Alabama, was approved.

The Secretary of the Board presented a memorandum relating to the management of publicity, and recommending certain changes in the present system. On motion the question of the management of

publicity and of the Board's correspondence was referred to a special committee consisting of Mr. Hamlin, Mr. Warburg and Mr. Harding.

On motion of Mr. Harding it was voted that the First National Bank of Mobile, Alabama, be authorized temporarily to exercise trustee powers, pending the consideration of their application on a permanent basis, in view of impending consolidation with the City National Bank.

Mr. Williams reported that for the next call he had ordered the transmission of all Federal reserve agents of full unexpurgated reports concerning the condition of member banks in accord with the desire of a committee of the Board.

The various questions relating to election of directors of Federal reserve banks were considered, Counsel was called into consultation, and on motion, the preparation of a suitable telegram was placed in the hands of the Governor of the Board and Counsel, the following being sent:

Organization Committee in holding previous elections acted as chairman of Board of Federal Reserve Banks, and its rulings were made in that capacity. Questions submitted involve interpretation of United States statutes. In making rulings in present election you may consult counsel for bank, or are at liberty to consult counsel for Board, who will advise you as to rulings by Organization Committee in previous election for your information. While it is desirable that procedure in all districts should be uniform and suggestions are made to that end, determination of questions arising under statute rests with chairman of Board of each bank.

Mr. Warburg presented to the Board a letter relating to certain Calcutta acceptances placed on the Boston market. On motion the matter was referred to Mr. Warburg and Mr. Harding as a special committee to draft a letter for presentation to the Board.

Mr. Hamlin presented to the Board an opinion of Counsel relating to the question when dividends
accrue in Federal reserve banks. The same was received and ordered filed.

Mr. Hamlin presented a letter from Assistant Secretary Malburn relating to the cost of Federal reserve notes. On motion the same was referred to the Committee on Issue and Redemption.

Mr. Hamlin presented a communication from Counsel relative to the question of reserves against

savings deposits. The letter was ordered circulated.

Mr. Hamlin presented a letter and circular from The World's Work. The documents were ordered circulated.

On motion Mr. Hamlin was requested to accept invitation to speak before the Chamber of Commerce at Philadelphia, the expenses of the trip to be paid by the Board.

Mr. Hamlin reported that he had informed Federal Reserve Agent Rich of the substance of the report on the appointment of Mr. Mosher at Minneappolis.

On motion an application of the Federal Reserve Bank of Minneapolis for power to buy State warrants of Minnesota, was referred to Mr. Warburg and Mr. Delano as a special committee.

An application of the Federal Reserve
Bank of Cleveland for power to hold certain serial
bonds of the City of Barberton, Ohio, was approved.

On motion at 1:00 p. m. the Board adjourned

to meet at 11:00 a. m. on Tuesday, November 9.

Secretary.

APPROVED:

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Chairman.