At a meeting of the Executive Committee of the Federal Reserve Board held in the office of the Governor at 3.50 p.m. on Friday, April 13,

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Mr. Harding, presiding, Mr. Miller, Mr. Warburg, Mr. Willis, Secretary. Governor Harding read a telegram received from Governor J. Z. Miller of Kansas City with reference to the admission of the Commerce Trust Company of that place, upon pledge of its officers that subsequent to such immediate admission it would comply with all of the requirements of the Board. The matter was discussed, and the opinion was expressed that it was desirable to comply at least with the requirement of an examination, and not to establish the precedent of admitting an institution, however strong, without examination. The Secretary of the Board having conversed with Chief Examiner Broderick (in Boston) over the long distance telephone and learned that he would be able to start for Kansas City on the evening of Monday, April 16, it was agreed to transmit a telegram to the effect that an examiner would be promptly sent to Kansas City if desired, and that in the meantime the Federal Reserve Bank of Kansas City might begin the examination through its officers. A draft of such a telegram was thereupon presented and approved.

Governor Harding called the attention of the Committee to telegrams from various Federal reserve banks with reference to the matter of giving to existing 3% bonds the privilege of conversion into new higher rate bonds, should such be issued.

On motion at 4.20 p.m. the Committee adjourned.

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