

At a regular meeting of the Federal Reserve Board held in the office of the Board on Friday, May 25, at 11 a.m.,

PRESENT:

Mr. Warburg, presiding, Mr. Miller,
Mr. Delano, Mr. Willis, Secretary.
Mr. Hamlin,

The minutes of the meeting of the Board held on May 24 were read and, on motion, approved.

A letter received from the Secretary of War with reference to the method of disbursing army funds in Europe, was presented and the Vice Governor reported orally with reference to the same matter. No action was taken.

The general situation as to Spanish exchange was informally discussed, but no action was taken.

The Secretary of the Board presented a letter from Federal Reserve Agent Heath suggesting that the Merchants Loan and Trust Company and the Union Trust Company, both of Chicago, be admitted to the Federal Reserve System simply on the basis of former clearing house examinations. The letter was ordered referred to Mr. Warburg for such action as might be deemed best, in consultation with the

Chief Examiner.

A telegram from Governor McDougal of Chicago with reference to the issuance of \$10 certificates of participation in the Liberty Loan, was presented and discussion ensued. It was agreed that Mr. Warburg get a legal opinion on the subject as the basis of decision.

Informal conference with the Governor of the Bank of England with reference to various matters affecting foreign exchange and international conditions ensued.

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

APPROVED:

A. Porter Willis
Secretary.

Chairman.