

At a meeting of the Executive Committee of the Federal Reserve Board held in the Board Room on Tuesday, December 4, 1917, at 12:40:

PRESENT:

- Mr. Harding, presiding, Mr. Hamlin,
- Mr. Delano, Mr. Allen, Assistant Secretary.

Present also: Mr. Strauss.

Applications for permission to export coin, currency and bullion and papers in connection therewith, were presented and acted upon as follows:

A letter from Whitney Central National Bank, re exports of gold to Mexico. Noted.

A letter from H. R. Whyte, re parties obtaining gold in Des Ark, Arkansas. Noted.

A telegram from Deputy Governor Calkins, re application of Wildberg for permission to export platinum, and asking whether platinum comes under embargo on coin, currency and bullion. (See 721 below) Refer to War Trade.

A letter from Jno. E. White advising that \$20,000 gold coin authorized for Southern Pacific Railroad of Mex., during November was not exported account of lack of necessity for gold coin. Noted.

721. Wildberg Bros., San Francisco, to O. B. Allan, Vancouver, \$296.24 platinum. Refer to War Trade.

722. Mexico Northwestern Ry., El Paso, to same, Juarez, Mex., \$6,500 gold coin monthly. Approved.

723. First National Bank, Brownsville, Texas., to Collector of Customs, Matamoros, Mexico, \$50,000 in same kinds of money deposited by said Collector. Shipments to be in various amounts, not to exceed \$50,000 monthly. Approved.

724. Agencie Financiera del Gobierno Mexico, El Paso, Tex., or its authorized agents in other cities, to Mexican Government officials in Chihuahua and Sonora, \$1,500,000 gold coin, during the month of December, 1917. Approved.

A memorandum re telephone message from Secretary War Trade Board re application of Dr. Nansen re shipment of 465 kilos silver by Handy and Harman, New York, to Norway. Referred back to War Trade.

A letter Jas. C. Shaner, re McLean Medicine Co., desiring to remit balances due to a Mr. Schirmacher, a german subject, employed by said Medicine Co. in Monterrey, Mexico, requesting information, etc. For Enemy Trade, Bond Building.

A letter from Third Assistant Postmaster General addressed to Governor Harding, re exportation by United States of about \$2,000,000 in gold to Sweden, in settlement of money order balances, requesting authority to make such shipment.

725. Wildberg Bros., San Francisco, to Henry Birks & Son, Ltd., Vancouver, Platinum \$528.20 fine gold \$12.35. Referred to War Trade Board.

At 1:15 P. M., the Committee adjourned.

APPROVED:

Chairman.

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Secretary.