

At a meeting of the Executive Committee of the Federal Reserve Board held in the office of the Board on Thursday, July 31, 1919, at 11 A.M.,

PRESENT: The Governor
Mr. Strauss
Mr. Hamlin
Mr. Chapman, Assistant Secretary.

Business was presented and disposed of as follows:

The Governor reported rediscount transactions, pursuant to authority heretofore vested in him: member bank promissory notes secured by Government obligations; rate 4% on paper secured by certificates of indebtedness and 4% on paper secured by Liberty bonds and Victory notes, as follows:

<u>Date</u>	<u>Bank Redis-</u> <u>counting</u>	<u>With</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Maturities</u>
July 30th	Philadelphia	Chicago	\$7,000,000	11-15 days
		(Chicago	5,000,000	"
July 31st	Richmond.....)	Minneapolis	10,000,000	"
		(St.Louis	5,000,000	"

Noted.

Report of discount rates from various Federal Reserve banks; no changes recommended.

Noted.

Report of examination of Federal Reserve Bank of New York as at close of business May 31, 1919.

Referred to Committee for report.

Memorandum of Secretary dated July 30th recommending approval of request of the Shawmut Corporation of Boston that the Board modify the agreement with that Corporation to the extent of permitting aggregate acceptances outstanding, plus deposits, to an amount not exceeding twelve times its subscribed capital and surplus, instead of six times as now permitted.

Approved.

The following reports were submitted:

Dated July 31st, recommending admission of State institutions as set forth in the auxiliary minute book as of this date, subject to the conditions stated in the individual reports attached to each application.

Approved.

Dated July 30th, recommending modification of conditions of membership of the Bank of Italy, San Francisco, Cal.

Approved.

Memorandum by Secretary dated July 29th, submitting for approval an organization chart outlining the manner in which the operating work of the Board shall be conducted in its various divisions, and recommendation re organization of work of the Division of Audit and Examination, (See auxiliary minute book as of this date).

Voted to approve plan of organization as shown upon the chart submitted upon the understanding that if and when committees of the Board are appointed, supervision of the work

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of certain divisions now shown as under the supervision of the Governor and the Secretary shall be transferred to such committees.

Dated July 29th, recommending the approval of increase in salary of Senior Federal Reserve Examiner John A. Will from \$6,000 to \$7,000 per annum, effective September 1, 1919.

Approved.

Dated July 30th, recommending that authority be granted for the employment of an assistant Federal Reserve Examiner at a salary not to exceed \$2,000 per annum for present assignment on State bank work in the Washington office, with a view to his being available for field duty from time to time.

Approved.

Dated July 30th, recommending that authority be granted for the employment of an assistant Federal Reserve Examiner for the Western Force at a salary of \$2,400 per annum, to take the place of Mr. Val J. Grund, transferred to the Eastern Force.

Approved.

Memorandum by Secretary dated July 30th, requesting leave of absence with pay for the period August 1 to August 31, 1919, inclusive.

Approved.

Voted that, during the absence of the Secretary on vacation, Assistant Secretary Chapman be designated Acting Secretary of the Board.

Letter dated July 29th from the Chairman of the Federal Reserve Bank of Cleveland, expressing the desire that the Board do not impose on telegraphic transfers the

fee referred to in the Board's letter dated July 23d (X-1624).

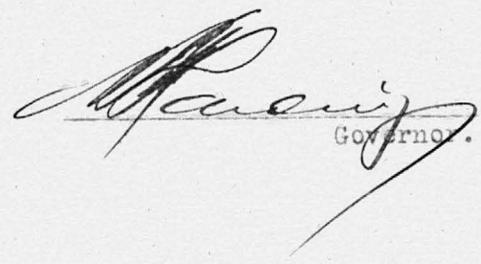
Voted that the Governor inform all Federal Reserve banks that in view of the unanimous adverse sentiment of the Federal Reserve banks the Board will waive its suggestion that a charge be imposed upon messages making telegraphic transfers.

The Governor reported the reserve positions of the various Federal Reserve banks.

At 11-55 A.M., the meeting adjourned.


Assistant Secretary.

Approved:


Governor.