

At a meeting of the Federal Reserve Board held in the office of the Board on Wednesday, August 27, 1919, at 11 A.M.,

PRESENT: The Governor
Mr. Strauss
Mr. Miller
Mr. Williams
Mr. Chapman, Acting Secretary.

The minutes of the meeting of the Board held on Tuesday, August 26th were read, and on motion approved as amended.

The Governor reported that, after consultation with General Counsel, he had sent to the Chairman of the Federal Reserve Bank of Atlanta a telegram under date of August 26th, expressing the Board's approval of the appointment of the following Acting Assistant Federal Reserve Agents, upon the understanding that bond in each case would be given in the sum of \$50,000.:

Mr. W. E. Miller, New Orleans, La.
Mr. Thomas Bowron, Birmingham, Ala.
Mr. M. H. Haughton, Jacksonville, Fla.

The Governor reported the purchase on August 26, 1919, of special 2% certificate of indebtedness of the United States for the Federal Reserve Bank of Richmond, for \$500,000, for deposit with the Comptroller of the Currency as collateral for Federal Reserve bank notes.

Approved.

The Governor reported the reserve positions of the several Federal Reserve banks as at close of business August 25,

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1919, and the status of rediscount transactions between Federal Reserve banks as of the same date.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEE NO. 1:

Dated August 27th, 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 August 26th (3 reports) recommending changes in stock at Federal Reserve banks as set forth in the auxiliary minute book as of this date.

Approved.

Dated August 7th, recommending approval of salary of \$3,000 per annum for Mr. Charles V. Brown, appointed National Bank Examiner.

Approved.

Dated August 26th, recommending that sick leave of Miss Burnetta Black, Office Assistant in the Office of the Chief Clerk, be approved with pay to October 1, 1919.

Approved.

Other business was presented and disposed of as follows:

The Governor submitted for approval and insertion in the minutes of the meeting of the Board held on August 5, 1919, draft of resolution bearing upon the resignation of Mr. J. A. Broderick as Secretary, Chief Examiner and Chief of the Division of Audit and Examination.

Approved.

Mr. Williams moved that the resolution as adopted be published in the Federal Reserve Bulletin.

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The motion was lost.

Letter dated August 25th from Deputy Governor Case of the Federal Reserve Bank of New York, advising that that Bank had received from De Nederlandsche Bank a request that the Federal Reserve Bank of New York purchase for its account 10,000 kilos of fine silver, and asking whether or not the Federal Reserve Board approved of such undertaking by the Federal Reserve Bank of New York. The Governor submitted for approval, draft of reply by him under date of August 27th, expressing approval.

Approved.

The Governor then presented to the meeting the proposition of the Shawmut Corporation, Boston, that it organize a corporation to be known as the Shawmut Securities Company, for the purpose of acting as an auxiliary to that institution in making purchases of foreign securities.

Voted that General Counsel request the Shawmut Corporation to submit for the information and guidance of the Board, copies of the charter and by-laws under which it is proposed that the Shawmut Securities Company shall operate.

Voted further that General Counsel be instructed to review in this connection the opinion of Solicitor General Lehmann, bearing upon the operations of the National City Company of New York.

At 1:20 P.M., the meeting adjourned.

Approved:


Governor.


Acting Secretary.