

At a meeting of the Federal Reserve Board held in the office of the Board on Tuesday, January 13, 1920, at 11 A.M.,

PRESENT: The Vice-Governor
Mr. Miller
Mr. Hamlin
Mr. Moenlenpan
Mr. Chapman, Secretary.

PRESENT ALSO:
Mr. Hoxton, Executive Secretary.

Minutes of the meetings of the Board held on January 9th and 12th were read, and on motion approved.

Minutes of the meeting of the Board held on January 10th were read, and on motion approved as amended.

Business was presented and disposed of as follows:

The vice-Governor reported rediscount transaction, pursuant to authority heretofore vested in him; member bank promissory notes secured by government obligations, rate 4-3/4%, as follows:

<u>Date</u>	<u>Bank Rediscounting</u>	<u>With</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Maturities</u>
Jan. 9th	Philadelphia	Dallas	\$5,000,000	11-15 days

Noted.

The vice-Governor reported the reserve positions of the several Federal Reserve banks as at close of business January 10th, and the status of rediscounts between Federal Reserve banks as of the same date.

Letter dated January 10th from the Chairman, Federal

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Reserve Bank of Atlanta, requesting approval of proposed lease of quarters for the Jacksonville Branch of that Bank for a period of five years from January 1, 1920, at an annual rental of \$6,000.

Approved.

Telegram dated January 8th from the Chairman, Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco, in re policy to be pursued by that Bank in the review of joint directorships held in that district, pursuant to the provisions of the Clayton Act by permission of the Federal Reserve Board.

Voted that the Vice-Governor instruct Mr. Perrin that the Board would be pleased to have him make his investigation of the situation in this respect in the 12th Federal Reserve District in his own way, and make report to the Board at the proper time, whereupon the Board will take such action as may appear necessary, allowing directors affected, however, reasonable time within which to conform to the findings of the Board.

Letter dated January 8th from the Chairman, Federal Reserve Bank of Chicago, submitting the fifth annual report of the operations of that Bank covering the year 1919.

Ordered circulated.

Letter dated January 3d from the Chairman, Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco, submitting fifth annual report of the operations of that Bank covering the year 1919.

Ordered circulated.

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Letter dated January 7th from the Chairman, Federal Reserve Bank of Cleveland, submitting fifth annual report of the operations of that Bank covering the year 1919.

Ordered circulated.

Telegram dated January 12th from the Chairman, Federal Reserve Bank of Dallas, requesting expedition of application for membership in the Federal Reserve System by the Texas Bank and Trust Company, Galveston, Texas.

Voted that Mr. Ramsey be advised that the Board is favorably inclined toward the application subject, of course, to satisfactory report of examination and to formal agreement by the Bank that charter powers held by it in contravention of the Federal Reserve Act will not be exercised, and suggesting that application be completed in regular manner.

Letter dated January 5th from the Chairman, Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco, in explanation of the declination of that Bank to grant the request of the Broadway Bank, Portland, Oregon, for the establishment of a clearing account with the Portland Branch.

Referred to Mr. Miller for reply in line with General Counsel's opinion.

Letter dated January 7th from Consulting Architect Trowbridge, submitting recommendations concerning the character of construction to be used for the new vaults proposed for the Federal Reserve Bank of Philadelphia.

Voted to approve Mr. Trowbridge's recommendations.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEE NO. 1:

Dated Jan. 13th, 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 Jan. 12th, recommending changes in stock at Federal Reserve banks as set forth in the auxiliary minute book as of this date.

Approved.

Dated Jan. 12th, recommending approval of applications for fiduciary powers as set forth in the auxiliary minute book as of this date.

Approved.

Dated Jan. 6th, recommending appointment of Mr. C. H. Stewart as Assistant Deputy Governor of the Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco at \$8,000 per annum.

Approved.

Dated Jan. 6th, recommending increase in salary of Mr. C. J. Shepherd, Manager, Seattle Branch, Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco, from \$6,500 to \$7,000 per annum.

Approved.

Other business was presented and disposed of as follows:

Memorandum by General Counsel dated January 6th, in re suggestion by the Governor of the Federal Reserve Bank of Kansas City that the Board approve a plan whereby Federal Reserve banks may impose a graduated excess charge against member banks applying for rediscounts in excess of their capital and surplus,

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Ordered circulated and docketed for the meeting of the Board on Thursday, January 15, 1920.

Letter dated January 6th from Brigadier General R.C. Marshall, Jr., Chief, Construction Division, War Department, advising that at the request of the Secretary of War the Secretary of the Treasury had requested the Federal Reserve Bank of Cleveland, subject to approval by the Federal Reserve Board, to act as agent for the War Department in holding in escrow a certain contract made by the War Department with the Domestic Coke Corporation, a Delaware corporation, whose home office is at Cleveland.

Voted that at the request of the Secretary of the Treasury the Federal Reserve Board grants authority to the Federal Reserve Bank of Cleveland to act as agent of the War Department in holding in escrow a certain contract made by the War Department with the Domestic Coke Corporation.

Letter dated January 12th from Deputy Comptroller Kane, containing a list of changes made in the National Bank examining force during December, 1919.

Noted.

At 12 noon, the meeting adjourned.



Secretary.

Approved:


Vice-Governor.