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A meeting of the Federal Reserve Board was held in the office of the Board on Friday, February 10, 1922, at 11:00 a.m.

PRESENT: Governor Harding  
Mr. Platt  
Mr. Hamlin  
Mr. Miller  
Mr. Mitchell  
Mr. Crissinger  
Mr. Hoxton, Secretary.

Minutes of the meeting of the Board held February 8th were read and on motion approved.

The Governor reported the reserve positions of the several Federal reserve banks as at close of business February 8th.

Letter dated February 9th, from the Railway Loan Advisory Committee of the Federal Reserve Board, recommending approval of the form of obligation submitted by the Evansville, Indianapolis and Terre Haute Railway Company for a loan of \$400,000, in eight parts; the carrier electing at this time to take over the fifth part, in the amount of \$50,000, under the provisions of Section 210 of the Transportation Act, 1920, as amended.

Approved.

Letter dated February 9th, from the Secretary of the Treasury, requesting that proof sheets covering the Board's Review of the month be each month transmitted to him for his information, prior to publication in the Federal Reserve Bulletin.

Referred to the Bulletin Committee.

Draft of letter dated February 10th, prepared by General Counsel for the signature of the Governor, and addressed to the Secretary of the Federal Reserve Bank of Chicago, advising of the Board's views regarding the powers, duties and limitations of Federal Reserve Bank Examiners in their examinations of member banks.

Approved, it being the sense of the Board that a copy of this letter should be sent to all Federal reserve banks.

Mr. Mitchell submitted to the Board a letter received from Mr. D. C. Borden, Chief National Bank Examiner in the Second Federal Reserve District, giving details regarding the deposits carried by the East River National Bank of New York with banks in Italy and other European countries.

Ordered carried over until next meeting.

- Letter dated February 9th, from the Comptroller of the Currency, transmitting the application of the Conway National Bank, Conway, Mass., for authority to reduce its capital stock from \$50,000 to \$25,000.

Approved.

Upon recommendation of the Assistant Secretary, reporting in behalf of the Leased Wire Committee, the Board authorized the establishment of a direct wire between New York and Chicago, upon a contract for 60 days, as a temporary installation proposed in the interest of studies being conducted relative to the entire leased wire system. Also, upon recommendation of the Assistant Secretary and the Leased Wire Committee, the Governor was authorized to appoint a sub-committee consisting of representatives of the Federal Reserve Board and the Federal Reserve Banks

of New York, Cleveland and Chicago, to prosecute the studies with reference to the leased wire system, and to formulate a report to the Federal Reserve Board and to the next conference of Governors.

The Governor referred to an informal conference held yesterday afternoon in his office between the members of the Federal Reserve Board and Deputy Governor R. G. Emerson and Class "B" Director Marion Sansom, representing the Federal Reserve Bank of Dallas.

After discussion of matters which were considered at that conference, it was moved and unanimously voted that the Governor be requested to make an investigation of the conduct of the office of the Federal Reserve Agent at Dallas and to report his findings to the Board as soon as practicable.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEE NO.1:

Dated February 9th, Recommending changes in stock at Federal Reserve Banks as set forth in the auxiliary minute book as of this date.

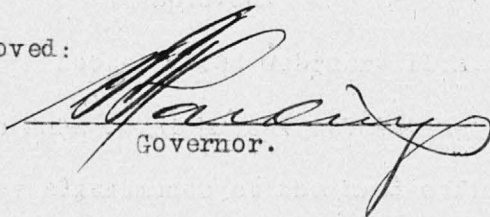
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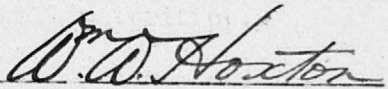
Dated February 10th, Recommending action on application for fiduciary powers, as set forth in the auxiliary minute book as of this date.

Approved.

At 12:30 p.m. the meeting adjourned.

Approved:

  
Governor.

  
Secretary.