

A meeting of the Federal Reserve Board was held in the office of the Federal Reserve Board on Tuesday, December 26th, at 11:20 a.m.

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

Minutes of the Federal Reserve Board held on December 21st, were read and approved.

The Vice Governor reported the reserve positions of the several Federal Reserve banks as at close of business December 20th, 21st and 22nd.

The Vice Governor stated that Messrs. Perrin and Calkins of the Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco, desire to meet with the Board on January 24th or 25th, 1923, with a view to discussing the Board's recent ruling to the effect that hereafter special savings accounts in California banks shall be regarded as demand deposits for the purpose of computing reserves. Mr. Hamlin stated that General Counsel was making a study of this matter and desired to present a memorandum of the subject to the Federal Reserve Board in the near future. Action was therefore deferred.

Letter dated December 21st, from the Governor of the Federal Reserve Bank of Richmond, urging the Board to reconsider its action recently taken whereby the Board disapproved the payment of any additional compensation to the employes of the Federal Reserve Bank of Richmond.

Upon motion, it was voted that the Board is unwilling to reopen this matter.

Letter dated December 12th, from the Chairman of the Federal Reserve Bank of Atlanta, requesting the approval of a salary of \$2700 per annum, for Mr. P. J. Prosser, newly elected assistant cashier of the New Orleans branch, effective January 1, 1923.

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Letter dated December 16th, from the Governor of the Federal Reserve Bank of Minneapolis, requesting the approval of the Federal Reserve Board, of a salary of \$250 per month and expenses, for Mr. E. M. Smith, employed as a special representative in the Closed Banks Department of the Federal Reserve Bank of Minneapolis.

Approved.

Letter dated December 15th, from the Chairman of the Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco, on the subject of branches de novo of the California state banks.

Discussed and referred to the Vice Governor for reply.

Letter dated December 11th, from the Federal Reserve Agent at San Francisco, transmitting with favorable recommendation, the application of the Pacific Southwest Trust and Savings Bank of Los Angeles, to take over and operate as branches, the following banks: the Commercial Bank of San Luis Obispo, with its branches at Atascadero and Paso Robles, the First National Bank of Pomona and the Savings Bank of Pomona to be operated as one branch; the San Fernando National Bank, and the Ocean Park Bank, with its branches at Venice and Santa Monica, making a total of eight branches.

Approved, Mr. Crissinger voting "no".

Letter dated December 13th, from the Federal Reserve Agent at San Francisco, transmitting the application of the Bank of Italy to establish a branch de novo at Yuba City, California. Mr. Perrin stated that the Bank of Italy already has substantial representation in the banking field in Yuba City, and recommended that the application of the Bank of Italy be disapproved.

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Upon motion, the Secretary was instructed to advise Mr. Perrin that the Board is of the opinion that no action should be taken with reference to additional branches for the California bank now having the largest number of branches, until the matter of the adequate examination of the banks with numerous branches is settled, but that in view of Mr. Perrin's findings to the effect that no additional bank is needed in Yuba City, the Board disapproves the application of the Bank of Italy to establish said branch.

Letter dated December 22nd, from Honorable Frank White, Treasurer of the United States, advising that there have been no applications received for the sale of bonds under the provisions of Section 18 of the Federal Reserve Act, during the quarter ending December 31, 1922.

Noted.

Letter dated December 26th, from the Undersecretary of the Treasury enclosing for the information of the Board, a copy of a telegram dated December 26th, sent by the Treasury Department to the Governors of the several Federal Reserve banks requesting credits to be made in the Treasurer's account at the close of business December 30, 1922, for the amount of franchise tax payments due to the Government for the calendar year 1922.

Noted.

Letter dated December 23rd, from the Director General of the Pan-American Union, requesting thirty copies of the December number of the Federal Reserve Bulletin.

Approved.

Letter dated December 22nd, from the Secretary of the Federal Reserve Bank of Chicago, advising that the Board of Directors of that Bank had, subject

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to the approval of the Federal Reserve Board, approved an amendment to Section 1 of ARTICLE II of the By-laws of the Detroit Branch, said amendment being designed to increase the number of the directors of the Detroit Branch from five to seven.

Mr. Hamlin moved that the amendment to the By-laws be approved. Mr. Hamlin's motion was lost. The Secretary was instructed to advise the Federal Reserve Bank of Chicago that the Board does not approve said amendment to the By-laws of the Detroit branch.

Letter dated December 19th, from the Comptroller of the Currency, recommending an increase in the salary of National Bank Examiner John R. Vann from \$2400 to \$2700 per annum, effective January 1, 1923.

Approved.

Letter dated December 21st, from the Comptroller of the Currency, recommending an increase in the salary of National Bank Examiner Bernard E. Boldin from \$2700 to \$3000 per annum, effective January 1, 1923.

Approved.

Letter dated December 20th, from the Comptroller of the Currency, recommending increases in the salaries of the following National Bank Examiners assigned to the First Federal Reserve District, effective January 1, 1923:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Present Salary</u>	<u>New Salary Recommended</u>
Harold W. Black	\$4500	\$5000
William B. Carolan	3000	3600
Frank J. Ryan	3000	3600

Approved.

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Letter dated December 22nd, from the Comptroller of the Currency, recommending increases in the salaries of the following National Bank Examiners assigned to the Fifth Federal Reserve District, effective January 1, 1923:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Present Salary</u>	<u>New Salary Recommended</u>
William P. Folger	4200	4800
John R. McMullan	3300	3600
George M. Moore	3300	3600
Grattan H. Tucker	3000	3500
John W. Dalton	3900	4200
D. R. Wood	3900	4200

Approved.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEE NO. 1.

Dated December 22nd, Recommending action on applications for changes in stock as set forth in the Auxiliary Minute Book of this date.

Approved.

Dated December 22nd, Recommending action on applications for fiduciary powers as set forth in the Auxiliary Minute Book of this date.

Ordered held.

Dated December 22nd, Recommending action on application for admission of state bank, subject to the conditions stated in the individual reports attached to the application, as set forth in the Auxiliary Minute Book of this date.

Approved.

The meeting adjourned at 1:10 p.m.

W. W. Houston
Secretary.

Approved:

Edmund Platt
Vice Governor.