

A meeting of the Federal Reserve Board was held in the office of the Federal Reserve Board on Wednesday, October 10th, at 10:30 a.m.

PRESENT: Governor Crissinger
 Mr. Platt
 Mr. Hamlin
 Mr. James
 Mr. Cunningham
 Mr. Eddy, Secretary

The minutes of the meeting of the Federal Reserve Board held on October 4th were read and approved.

The Secretary stated that the Federal Reserve Bank of New York had reached an agreement with Mr. James W. Carmalt who is to present to the Interstate Commerce Commission the matter of the revision of express rates on money and securities, whereby his maximum fee of \$15,000 will include all expenses with the exception of court costs which it is estimated will amount to about \$300, and which will be paid by the Federal Reserve Bank of New York.

Letter dated October 8th from the Comptroller of the Currency, recommending an increase in the salary of National Bank Examiner Wiley B. Sellers from \$2700 to \$3000 per annum.

Approved.

The Governor presented the report of examination of the Federal Reserve Bank of Cleveland, including its branches, made as at the close of business July 7, 1923.

Referred to the Committee on District No. 4.

Memorandum dated October 5th, from Mr. James, suggesting a form of resolution regarding shipments of currency by and to Federal Reserve banks providing that all such shipments to and from member banks be considered as part of their reserve account during the period of transit.

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Upon motion of Mr. James, the resolution above mentioned was referred to a Standing Committee of the Board on Currency, to be appointed by the Governor, and ordered placed upon the program for consideration at the forthcoming conference of Governors.

In accordance with the above action, the Governor appointed a Standing Committee on Currency consisting of Messrs. James, Platt and Hamlin.

Memorandum from Mr. James, dated October 9th, presenting to the Board certain charts illustrating clearing house charges in certain cities where such charges are made to customers on items collected through the Federal Reserve System.

Upon motion of Mr. Hamlin, the memorandum and charts were ordered laid on the table.

Letter dated October 2nd, from the Chairman of the Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco, recommending that the Board cancel the designation of Tacoma, Washington, as a reserve city.

Referred to the Committee on District No. 12.

Letter dated October 4th, from the Chairman of the Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco, transmitting copy of letter from the Bank of Italy withdrawing its applications for the approval of the Federal Reserve Board to its establishing branches at Long Beach, Santa Maria and Watsonville, California.

Noted.

The Governor stated to the Board that he had spent Monday, October 8th, at the Federal Reserve Bank of New York, and while there discussed in detail the practice of Federal Reserve banks purchasing acceptances from bill brokers under agreement to resell at a later date.

There followed a discussion of the subject of repurchase agreements and Mr. Hamlin moved that the Board's General

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Counsel be instructed to proceed to New York for the purpose of looking into the legal phase of repurchase agreement contracts.

Carried.

The Law Committee submitted a memorandum from Counsel on the application of Mr. Albert C. Middleton for the Board's permission to serve at the same time as director of the Camden Safe Deposit and Trust Company and the First National State Bank, both of Camden, New Jersey, expressing the opinion that the Board has no power to grant the application on the basis of the evidence before it with respect to competition between the institutions named.

After thorough discussion of the extent to which the institutions appear to be in competition, it was the opinion of all members of the Board that the application should be granted.

Mr. Platt submitted a letter dated October 3rd, from the United States Department of Agriculture with respect to procedure in the matter of granting licenses as Live Stock Loan Inspectors.

Referred to Counsel for preparation of a reply for signature of the Governor.

The Governor advised that he had, subject to formal approval by the Board, given verbal authority to the Federal Farm Loan Board to make debentures of the Intermediate Credit banks payable at the Federal Reserve banks.

Upon motion, the action of the Governor in this matter was formally approved.

The Secretary requested authority to employ two additional stenographers at annual salaries not to exceed \$1500 each.

Approved.

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Mr. Platt submitted a letter, dated October 8th, from the Governor of the Federal Reserve Bank of Atlanta, which he stated was written in reply to a letter addressed by him to the Atlanta bank in which he called attention to an inquiry made by the member of the Federal Advisory Council from the Sixth District as to why the Atlanta bank was not following the practice of some of the other Federal Reserve banks in purchasing Treasury Certificates from member banks under resale agreement.

Mr. Platt was requested to reply to Governor Wellborn's letter and to advise him that the Board's letter calling attention to the inquiry made by Mr. Lane was sent merely as a matter of information and to inform Governor Wellborn that the Board has made no formal ruling on the subject of repurchase agreements.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES:

- Dated, October 4th, Recommending changes in stock at Federal Reserve banks
5th, As set forth in the Auxiliary Minute Book of this date.
Approved.
- Dated, October 10th, Recommending action on applications for fiduciary powers
10th, as set forth in the Auxiliary Minute Book of this date.
Approved.
- Dated, October 10th, 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.
- Dated, October 9th, Recommending approval of the application of Mr. P. A. Rock-
feller to serve at the same time as director of the Nation-
al City Bank, New York City, and the Greenwich Trust Com-
pany, Greenwich, Conn.
Approved.
- Dated, October 9th, Recommending approval of the application of Mr. Morris L.
Clothier to serve at the same time as director of the Frank-
lin National Bank, of the Bank of North America and Trust
Company and as director (manager) of the Girard Trust Company,
all of Philadelphia, Pa.
Approved.
- Dated October 9th, Recommending approval of the application of Mr. Gustavus
Ober, Jr. to serve as director of the Citizens National
Bank, of the Fidelity Trust Company and of the Morris Plan
Bank, all of Baltimore, Md.
Approved.

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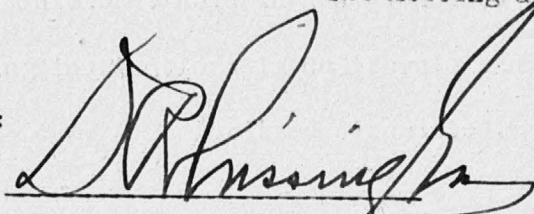
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REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES (Cont'd)

- Dated October 9th, Recommending approval of the application of Mr. James Mitchell to serve at the same time as director of the Union Trust and Hudson County National Bank and of the Bergen National Bank, both of Jersey City, N.J.
Approved.
- Dated October 9th, Recommending approval of the application of Mr. W.M. Anderson to serve at the same time as director of the Union National Bank and of the Drovers and Merchants National Bank, both of Philadelphia, Pa.
Approved.
- Dated October 9th, Recommending approval of the application of Mr. Charles A. Miller to serve at the same time as director of the First National Bank, Allegany, New York and as employee in the Exchange National Bank, Olean, New York.
Approved.
- Dated October 9th, Recommending approval of the application of Mr. H. J. Davenport to serve at the same time as Vice President and Director of the Midwood Trust Company, Brooklyn, and as Director of the Hamilton National Bank, New York City.
Approved.
- Dated October 9th, Recommending approval of the application of Mr. Ewing Norwood to serve at the same time as officer and director of the National Bank of Commerce, Houston, Texas and as Vice President of the First National Bank, Navasota, Texas.
Approved.
- Dated October 9th, Recommending approval of the application of Mr. F.X. Rydzewski to serve at the same time as director of the Calument National Bank, of the Ogden Avenue State Bank, and as officer and director of the Inter-State National Bank, all of Chicago, Illinois.
Approved.
- Dated October 4th, Recommending approval of the application of Mr. E.C. Hutchinson to serve at the same time as director of the Broad Street National Bank and of the Mercer Trust Company, both of Trenton, New Jersey.
Approved.
- Dated October 4th, Recommending approval of the application of Mr. Wm. G. Howell to serve at the same time as director and officer of the Broad Street National Bank and of the Mercer Trust Company, both of Trenton, New Jersey.
Approved.

The meeting adjourned at 12:50 p.m.

Approved:



Governor.



Secretary.