

A meeting of the Federal Reserve Board was held in the office of the Federal Reserve Board on Thursday, November 14, 1929 at 2:30 p.m..

PRESENT: Vice Governor Platt
Mr. Hamlin
Mr. Miller
Mr. Cunningham
Mr. Pole
Mr. McClelland, Asst. Secretary

The Vice Governor reported advice received over the telephone from Governor Harrison of the Federal Reserve Bank of New York that the directors of that bank have voted to establish a rediscount rate of $4\frac{1}{2}\%$ on all classes of paper of all maturities, effective tomorrow, with the understanding, however, that their action is predicated upon approval or disapproval by the Federal Reserve Board today, and also voted to establish a minimum bill rate of 4% , with the expectation that a rate of $4\frac{1}{4}\%$ will be made effective.

After discussion, upon motion by Mr. Hamlin the rate of $4\frac{1}{2}\%$ established by the directors of the Federal Reserve Bank of New York, on all classes of paper of all maturities, was approved, effective tomorrow, November 15th.

Upon motion by Mr. Hamlin, it was also voted to approve for the Federal Reserve Bank of New York a minimum buying rate on acceptances of 4% .

The Vice Governor then submitted draft of a letter to the Federal Reserve Agent at Chicago, prepared by Counsel, referring to his letters of November 4th and 8th, the first transmitting newspaper report of alleged irregularities at the Madison-Kedzie State Bank of Chicago, a member institution, and the second advising that the newspaper clipping has been brought to the attention of the United States District Attorney; the proposed letter to the Federal Reserve Agent advising that he should follow the matter up in order to ascertain the facts officially, and should submit as soon as possible a full report to the

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Board in suitable form for transmission to the Attorney General.

Upon motion, the letter prepared by Counsel
was approved.

The meeting adjourned at 3:30 p.m.

C. W. Woodland
Assistant Secretary.

Approved:

Edward Platt
Vice Governor.