

A meeting of the Federal Reserve Board was held in the office of the Federal Reserve Board on Tuesday, November 18, 1930, at 11:30 a. m.

PRESENT: Governor Meyer
Mr. Hamlin
Mr. Miller
Mr. Cunningham
Mr. Pole
Mr. McClelland, Assistant Secretary

The minutes of the meeting of the Federal Reserve Board held on November 13th were read and approved.

The minutes of the meeting of the Executive Committee of the Federal Reserve Board held on November 17th were read and approved and the actions recorded therein were ratified.

Telegram dated November 17th from the Chairman of the Federal Reserve Bank of New York advising of the election of Mr. David C. Warner, President of the Endicott Trust Company, Endicott, New York, as Class A Director of the bank, and the reelection of Mr. Samuel W. Reyburn as a Class B Director, each for a term of three years beginning January 1, 1931.

Noted.

Telegram dated November 17th from the Chairman of the Federal Reserve Bank of Richmond advising of the reelection of Mr. Charles E. Rieman as a Class A Director of the bank, and of Mr. Junius P. Fishburn as a Class B Director, each for a term of three years beginning January 1, 1931.

Noted.

Telegram dated November 17th from the Secretary of the Federal Reserve Bank of Minneapolis advising of the election of Mr. H. C. Hansen of Churchs Ferry, North Dakota, as a Class A Director of the bank, and the reelection of Mr. John S. Owen as a Class B Director, each for a term of three years

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beginning January 1, 1931; also of the election of Mr. J. E. O'Connell of Helena, Montana, as a Class B Director of the bank for the unexpired portion of the term ending December 31, 1932, to succeed Mr. Norman B. Holter, resigned.

Noted.

Letter dated November 17th from the Deputy Governor of the Federal Reserve Bank of Cleveland advising that the amount of \$3,334.00 for electrical time equipment to be installed in the Pittsburgh Branch building, which was approved by the Board on October 24, 1930, is not sufficient to cover the requirements of the branch; that the additional necessary equipment can be included in the original contract for \$276.40, making a total of \$3,610.40, and requesting approval by the Board of the additional amount.

Upon motion, it was voted to approve an increase in the amount of the contract covering electrical equipment for the Pittsburgh Branch to \$3,610.40.

The Assistant Secretary reported for the record the following formal recommendations adopted by the Federal Advisory Council and submitted at the joint meeting of the Council with the Board this morning.

"1. In the opinion of the Federal Advisory Council the present situation will be best served if the natural flow of credit is unhampered by open market operations or changes in the rediscount rates. The seasonal demands during the balance of the year should be met by rediscounting on the part of member banks.

"2. The Federal Advisory Council has had brought to its attention by the Secretary of the National Association of Finance Companies the wish of the members of that Association that 'the notes of finance companies, given to the banks for funds to be used in financing the sale of merchandise', be made eligible for rediscount by the Federal Reserve banks. The Council does not believe the rules of eligibility should be extended to make such notes eligible for rediscount."

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The meeting adjourned at 12:00 o'clock noon.

E. W. McClelland

Assistant Secretary

Approved:

[Signature]

Governor