

A meeting of the Executive Committee of the Federal Reserve Board was held in the office of the Federal Reserve Board on Saturday, April 18, 1931, at 11:30 a. m.

PRESENT: Governor Meyer
Mr. Hamlin
Mr. Miller
Mr. Noell, Assistant Secretary.

ALSO PRESENT: Mr. Geo. L. Harrison, Governor, Federal Reserve Bank of New York.

The Governor referred to a letter dated April 16th from the Secretary of the Federal Reserve Bank of New York advising that at the regular meeting of the Board of Directors on that date it was voted to request the Federal Reserve Board to reduce to 1-1/4% the rate established by it as the minimum buying rate for the purchase of bankers' acceptances by the New York Bank, and stated that Governor Harrison was present to discuss the matter with the members of the Board.

Governor Harrison then briefly outlined to the Committee the reasons which prompted his directors to take the action above referred to. At the conclusion of the general discussion which followed, Governor Harrison left the meeting.

Some further discussion was then had by the members of the Committee with regard to the request of the New York directors, but no action was taken.

The Assistant Secretary then presented the following matters on which action was taken by the Committee:

Telegrams dated April 16th from the Chairmen of the Federal Reserve Banks of Philadelphia, Kansas City and San Francisco, all advising that at meetings of their boards of directors on the dates stated, (Philadelphia meeting on April 15) no changes were made in the banks' existing schedules of rates of discount and purchase.

Without objection, noted with approval.

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Telegram dated April 18th from the Federal Reserve Agent at Chicago, advising of the death on April 17th of Mr. Julius H. Haass, a director of the Detroit Branch of the Federal Reserve Bank of Chicago.

Noted, with regret.

Letter dated April 15th from the Secretary of the Federal Advisory Council, advising that the next meeting of the Council will be held in Washington on Tuesday, May 19th, and requesting a list of topics which the Board desires the Council to discuss at that meeting.

After a brief discussion as to possible topics for the program of the Council meeting, action on the matter was deferred.

Letter dated April 8th from the Federal Reserve Agent at Richmond, reporting that the First National Bank of Kinston, N. C., the National Bank of LaGrange, N. C., and the First National Bank of Victoria, Va., have been deficient in their reserve requirements for a period of six months or more, but recommending, for reasons stated, that the Board take no action at the present time in the case of any of these banks.

Upon the suggestion being made that the Board should have the benefit of the opinion of the Comptroller of the Currency when acting on this matter, it was voted to transmit a copy of the Federal Reserve Agent's letter to him with the request that he advise whether or not he concurs in Mr. Hoxton's recommendation.

Telegram dated April 17th from the Federal Reserve Agent at Dallas, with further regard to the membership of the First State Bank, Roby, Texas, on which action was deferred at the meeting of the Board on April 15th; the Federal Reserve Agent stating that he has been advised that the member bank is in process of reorganization with a view of restoring it to a condition which will be satisfactory to the Federal Reserve Bank and the

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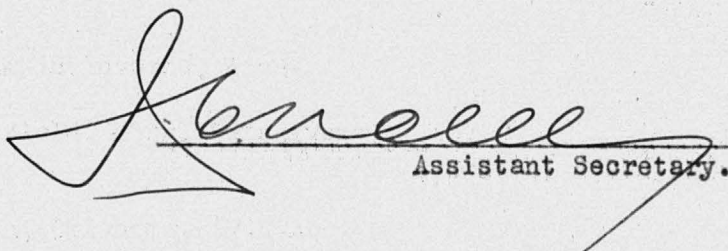
Board, and recommending that action on the question of whether or not it will be expelled from membership be deferred until he can furnish the Board with full information regarding the proposed reorganization.

Upon motion, it was voted to advise the Federal Reserve Agent at Dallas that action will be deferred until full information regarding the proposed reorganization of the member bank is received.

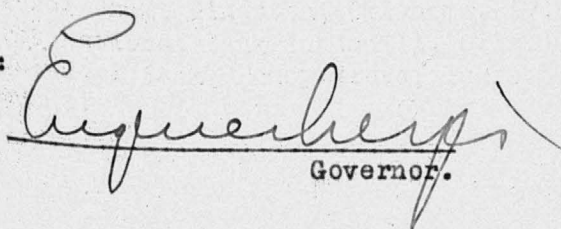
REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES:

Dated, April 17th Recommending changes in stock at Federal Reserve Banks,
18th as set forth in the Auxiliary Minute Book of this date.
Recommendations approved.

Meeting adjourned at 12:30 p. m.


Assistant Secretary.

Approved:


Governor.

(Executive
Committee)AUXILIARY MINUTES
(April 18, 1931.)

Reports of Standing Committee dated April 17th and 18th, recommending changes in stock at Federal Reserve Banks, approved as follows:

Applications for ORIGINAL Stock:District No. 8.

First National Bank in Green Forest, Arkansas.
New Harmony National Bank, New Harmony, Indiana.

Shares

18

30

48

Applications for ADDITIONAL Stock:District No. 4.

First National Bank, Chillicothe, Ohio.

120

120

District No. 7.

Live Stock National Bank, Sioux City, Iowa.

1515

Total

135

Applications for SURRENDER of Stock:District No. 2.

First National Bank, Champlain, N. Y. (Insolvent)

120

120

District No. 9.

First & Farmers National Bank in Luverne, Minn.
(Insolvent)

90

First National Bank of Litchfield, Minn. (Insolvent)

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District No. 11.

First National Bank, Kingston, Oklahoma. (V.L.Abs.
by First National Bank in Madill, Okla.)

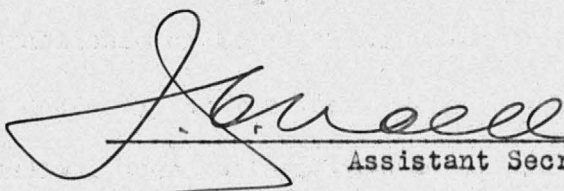
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American National Bank, Honey Grove, Texas.
(Insolvent)

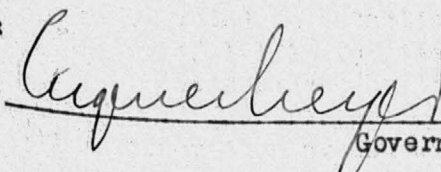
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Total

355


Assistant Secretary.

Approved:


Governor.