A meeting of the Executive Committee of the Federal Reserve Board was held in the office of the Federal Reserve Board on Wednesday, June 3, 1931, at 11:30 a.m.

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

The Governor brought up the matter which has been considered at previous meetings recently, namely, the application of the Fiduciary Trust Company, New York, New York, for membership in the Federal Reserve System and for 1,200 shares of stock in the Federal Reserve Bank of New York.

The Committee reviewed the questions which were raised during previous discussions as to whether the business contemplated by the Fiduciary Trust Company, which is to be confined largely to personal trust work and the investment of funds for individuals and institutions, makes it appropriate that the trust company should be a member of the Federal Reserve System.

It was the consensus of opinion that the matter involves questions of policy which cannot be definitely decided by the Board at this time, but that no action should be taken which would prejudice the standing of the Fiduciary Trust Company or the future consideration of its admission to membership in the System after the Board has had an opportunity to observe its actual operations over a reasonable period of time.

Accordingly, upon motion, it was voted to advise the Fiduciary Trust Company of New York, through the Federal Reserve Agent at New York, that after careful consideration the Federal Reserve Board has decided to postpone action on the application of the institution for the present.

Mr. Hamlin referred to the question raised during the Board's Conference with Mr. Jay on May 29th as to the supervision of trust activities in
New York state institutions.

Upon motion by him, it was voted to address a letter to the Federal Reserve Agent at New York making inquiry as to the character of examinations of the trust departments of state institutions which are being made by the New York State Banking Department.

The Assistant Secretary referred to the action taken at the meeting yesterday in voting to advise the Federal Reserve banks that the Board will not approve a group insurance plan for any Federal Reserve bank insuring its officers and employees in excess of an amount equal to one year’s salary of each such officer and employee with a maximum limit of $10,000, and called attention to the fact that the Federal Reserve Bank of St. Louis has at the present time a group insurance policy providing for insurance of its officers and employees in an amount equal to two years’ salary with a maximum of $10,000.

A discussion followed, at the conclusion of which it was voted to reconsider the action taken at the meeting yesterday.

It was also voted to defer action until the Chief of the Division of Bank Operations can secure from the various Federal Reserve banks detailed information regarding the group insurance policies now in effect at the banks and submit a report thereon to the Board.

The Assistant Secretary then presented various matters which were considered by the Committee and acted upon as follows:

Telegrams dated June 3 from the Chairmen of the Federal Reserve Banks of Philadelphia and St. Louis, advising that their Boards of Directors, at their regular meetings today, made no changes in the banks’ existing schedules of rates of discount and purchase.

Without objection, noted with approval.
Memorandum dated June 3 from the Examiner in Charge submitting, in accordance with the action taken at the meeting on May 27th, a summary of the report of the examination of the Fletcher Trust Company, Indianapolis, Indiana, made as at the close of business May 4, 1931.

Ordered circulated.

Memorandum dated June 2nd from the Examiner in Charge submitting report of examination of the Federal Reserve Bank of New York and its Buffalo branch, as at the close of business April 11, 1931.

Ordered circulated.

Memorandum dated June 2nd from the Examiner in Charge reporting that the recent examination of the Federal Reserve Bank of New York disclosed the fact that two employees of the bank are now at the Bank of England for the purpose of studying foreign banking and obtaining the benefit of contact with a foreign institution.

After discussion, the Assistant Secretary was instructed to bring the Examiner's memorandum up for consideration at a later meeting of the Board.

Memorandum dated June 1st from the Examiner in Charge submitting report of examination of the Federal Reserve Bank of Richmond and its branches as at the close of business March 24, 1931.

Ordered circulated.

Memorandum dated June 2nd from the Board's Fiscal Agent, submitting statements received from the Federal Reserve Banks of Boston, Philadelphia, Cleveland, and Richmond, covering the expenses of and allowances to employees of those banks who were used by the Federal Reserve examiners in the recent examination of the Federal Reserve Bank of New York; the Fiscal Agent stating that the vouchers have been verified by the Examiner in Charge and recommending that the Board approve payment.
Upon motion, it was voted to authorize the Fiscal Agent to pay to the Federal Reserve Banks of Boston, Philadelphia, Cleveland, and Richmond, the amounts shown in the respective vouchers submitted by them.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES:

Dated, June 2nd

Recommendation changes in stock at Federal Reserve Banks, as set forth in the Auxiliary Minute Book of this date.

Recommendations approved.

Dated, June 2nd

Recommendation approval of the application of Mr. Paul S. Dick, for permission to serve at the same time as director and officer of the United States National Bank of Portland, Oregon, as director and officer of the Central National Bank of Portland, Oregon, and as director of the Citizens National Bank of Portland, Oregon.

Approved.

Dated, June 2nd

Recommendation approval of the application of Mr. A. L. Powers, for permission to serve at the same time as director and officer of the Citizens National Bank of Portland, Oregon, and as director of the First National Bank of Camas, Wash.

Approved.

Dated, June 2nd

Recommendation approval of the application of Mr. John F. Miller, for permission to serve at the same time as director and officer of the First National Bank of Wilmerding, Penna., as director of the Fidelity Trust Company of Pittsburgh, Penna., and as director and officer of the Bank of Pittsburgh National Association, Pittsburgh, Penna.

Approved.

The meeting adjourned at 12:55 p.m.

Approved:

[Signature]

Governor.

[Signature]

Assistant Secretary.
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Reports of Standing Committee dated June 2, recommending changes in stock at Federal Reserve Banks, approved as follows:

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Approved:

Assistant Secretary.

Governor.