

A meeting of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System was held in Washington on Saturday, November 18, 1939, at 11:30 a.m.

PRESENT: Mr. Szymczak
Mr. McKee
Mr. Draper

Mr. Bethea, Assistant Secretary
Mr. Carpenter, Assistant Secretary
Mr. Clayton, Assistant to the Chairman

The action stated with respect to each of the matters herein-
after referred to was taken by the Board:

Telegram to Mr. Jay Taylor, Deputy Chairman of the Federal Reserve
Bank of Dallas, reading as follows:

"Have letter from Mr. Gilbert advising that because of illness it will be impossible for Mr. Merritt to attend Chairmen's Conference on December 5 and 6. Board will appreciate it if you can arrange to attend. Please advise."

Approved unanimously.

Telegram to Mr. Knoke, Vice President of the Federal Reserve
Bank of New York, reading as follows:

"Referring your November 17 letter, Board of Governors approves authorization by your directors to officers of your bank to make at any time and from time to time a loan or loans to Banque Centrale de la Republique de Turquie, in addition to the outstanding loans of \$2,025,000 and \$1,284,000, such additional loan or loans not to exceed in the aggregate at any one time outstanding \$1,520,000, to have a maturity of not more than three months and to mature not later than May 31, 1940, to bear interest at the discount rate of your bank, to be secured by refined gold bars earmarked in the vaults of your bank having a value equivalent to at least 111% of the aggregate amount of such additional loan or loans at any one time outstanding and otherwise to be made on such terms and conditions as the officers may determine.

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"Participation in such loan or loans by other Federal Reserve banks is also approved and they will be advised by letter accordingly."

Approved unanimously.


Letter to Mr. John G. Nichols, Chief, Division of Examinations, Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, reading as follows:

"This is in reply to your letter of November 16, 1939, advising that at a recent conference it was decided that a study be made of the trust department of the 'First Trust and Deposit Company', Syracuse, New York, by representatives of the Federal Reserve Bank of New York, the Reconstruction Finance Corporation, the State Banking Department, and the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation for the purpose of procuring information deemed necessary in formulating a corrective program for the institution.

"The Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System hereby grants written consent in accordance with the provisions of subsection (k)(2) of section 12B of the Federal Reserve Act for examiners for the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation to participate in an examination of the First Trust and Deposit Company, Syracuse, New York, for the purpose stated above."

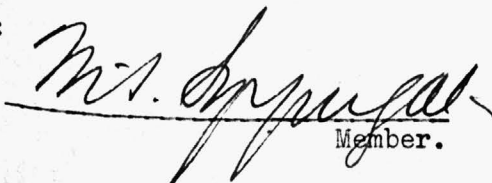
Approved unanimously.

Thereupon the meeting adjourned.



Assistant Secretary.

Approved:



Member.