

A meeting of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System was held in Washington on Thursday, September 2, 1943, at 11:00 a.m.

PRESENT: Mr. Eccles, Chairman  
Mr. Ransom, Vice Chairman  
Mr. Szymczak  
Mr. McKee  
Mr. Draper  
Mr. Evans

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

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

The minutes of the meeting of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System held on September 1, 1943, were approved unanimously.

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

"Reference is made to your letter of August 24, 1943, with respect to the proposed absorption by the Manufacturers Trust Company, New York, New York, of a branch of The Marine Midland Trust Company of New York. It is understood that the business of the branch to be absorbed will be combined with a nearby branch of the Manufacturers Trust Company.

"The Board concurs in your opinion that, since the total deposits to be assumed by the Manufacturers Trust Company amount to only approximately \$3,100,000, the proposed transaction will not result in a change in the general character of assets of, or broadening in the functions exercised by the Manufacturers Trust Company within the meaning of condition of membership numbered 3 applicable to that institution."

Approved unanimously.

Letter to Mr. Young, President of the Federal Reserve Bank of Chicago, reading as follows:

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"Reference is made to Mr. Diercks' letters of August 16 and August 24, 1943, regarding the proposed plan for the reduction in the capital stock of The Bank of Kaukauna, Kaukauna, Wisconsin, from \$100,000 to \$85,000 in connection with the termination of the trust created for the benefit of waiving depositors.

"As it appears from the information submitted that the surplus, undivided profits and reserves carried by the bank are sufficient to cover the eliminations and disbursements contemplated under the plan without the proposed reduction, the Board does not approve the proposed reduction in capital stock."

Approved unanimously.

Letter to Mr. Agnew, General Counsel of the Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco, reading as follows:

"Mr. Dreibelbis has called the substance of your letter of August 23, 1943, to the attention of the Board. It is understood that from time to time incidental expense will be incurred in connection with Mr. Leachman's work on the Trans-america matter, such as expense for obtaining certified copies of Articles of Incorporation, other public records, and similar matters. The Board will appreciate it if the bank will pay such expenses and obtain reimbursement from the Board in the usual manner and if you will bring this to the attention of the appropriate operating officers."

Approved unanimously.

Thereupon the meeting adjourned.

Chester Morrie  
Secretary.

Approved:

W. Diercks  
Chairman.