A meeting of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System was held in Washington on Thursday, January 20, 1944, at 11:30 a.m.

PRESENT: Mr. Eccles, Chairman

Mr. Ransom, Vice Chairman

Mr. Szymczak

Mr. McKee

Mr. Draper

Mr. Evans

Mr. Morristant Secretary

Mr. Bethea, 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 January 19, 1914, were approved unanimously.

Memorandum dated January 17, 1944, from Mr. Goldenweiser, Director of the Division of Research and Statistics, recommending that Mrs. Helen L. Brownson be appointed as a bilingual clerk-stenographer in that Division, with basic salary at the rate of \$2,000 per annum, effective as of the date upon which she enters upon the performance of her duties after having passed satisfactorily the usual physical examination.

Approved unanimously.

Memorandum of this date from Mr. Morrill, recommending (1)

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that the temporary appointment of Mrs. Attie L. Deskin as a charwoman in the Secretary's Office be made permanent, with no change in her present basic salary at the rate of \$1,200 per annum, effective February 1, 1944, and (2) that Mrs. Dorothy Sanders be appointed as a charwoman in the Secretary's Office on a temporary basis for a period of not to exceed 60 days, with basic salary at the rate of \$1,200 per annum, effective as of the date upon which she enters upon the performance of her duties, she already having passed satisfactorily the usual physical examination, with the understanding that if anything derogatory develops in the investigation of her character or if her services prove unsatisfactory her appointment will be terminated.

Approved unanimously.

Letter to Mr. Laning, Vice President and Cashier of the Federal Reserve Bank of Cleveland, reading as follows:

"The Board of Governors approves the changes, as submitted with your letter of January 13, 1944, in the personnel classification plans of the Cincinnati and Pittsburgh Branches, substituting the title of Assistant Auditor for that of Auditor's Representative at the respective branches."

Approved unanimously.

Letter to Mr. Hall, Secretary of the Federal Reserve Bank of Kansas City, reading as follows:

"The Board of Governors approves the appointments of Messrs. R. L. Gray, D. Bruce Forrester, Thomas McNally, Mason L. Thompson, and Harry L. Dempster as members of

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"the Industrial Advisory Committee for the Tenth Federal Reserve District to serve for terms of one year each, beginning March 1, 1944, in accordance with the action taken by the Board of Directors of the Federal Reserve Bank of Kansas City, as reported in your letter of January 15, 1944."

Approved unanimously.

Letter to Mr. Koppang, First Vice President of the Federal Reserve Bank of Kansas City, reading as follows:

"The Office of the Treasurer of the United States, Accounting Division, recently requested that someone from the Board's staff witness the destruction of a facsimile plate bearing the signature of Mr. John Phillips, Jr., Assistant Vice President.

"The above mentioned plate was destroyed on January 18 in the presence of Mr. P. O. Gottwals, representing the Treasurer of the United States, and Mr. John DeLaMater as representative of the Federal Reserve System. Certificate of mutilation is enclosed.

"While the destruction of the above plate was witnessed by a member of the Board's staff without a request
therefor from your bank, if, in the future, your bank
Would like to have some one from the Board's staff witness the destruction of a facsimile plate of an officer
of your bank it will be appreciated if you will advise
the Board to that effect."

Approved unanimously.

Thereupon the meeting adjourned.

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Approved:

Chairman.