Minutes of actions taken by the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System on Tuesday, September 23, 1947.

PRESENT: Mr. Eccles, Chairman
Mr. Szymczak
Mr. Draper
Mr. Vardaman
Mr. Clayton
Mr. Carpenter, Secretary
Mr. Sherman, Assistant Secretary
Mr. Morrill, Special Adviser

Minutes of actions taken by the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System on September 22, 1947, were approved unanimously.

Memorandum dated September 19, 1947, from Mr. Boothe, Assistant Director of the Division of Administrative Services, recommending that the resignation of Donald A. Hurst, a clerk in that Division, be accepted to be effective, in accordance with his request, at the close of business on September 26, 1947, with the understanding that proper reimbursement will be made for overdrawn annual leave.

Approved unanimously.

Memorandum dated September 15, 1947, from Mr. Leonard, Director of the Division of Examinations, recommending that the resignation of David E. Irons, an Assistant Federal Reserve Examiner in that Division, be accepted to be effective, in accordance with his request, at the close of business on September 30, 1947, with the understanding that a lump sum payment would be made for annual leave remaining to his credit as of that date.

Approved unanimously.
Letter to the board of directors of "The Bank of Rhame, North Dakota", Rhame, North Dakota, stating that, subject to conditions of membership numbered 1 to 3 and the following special condition, the Board approves the bank's application for membership in the Federal Reserve System and for the appropriate amount of stock in the Federal Reserve Bank of Minneapolis:

"4. Such bank shall increase the number of its directors to not less than five, the minimum number required in the case of all member banks under the provisions of Section 31 of the Banking Act of 1933 as amended."

Approved unanimously, for transmission through the Federal Reserve Bank of Minneapolis.

Letter to the board of directors of the "First State Bank of Greggton", Greggton, Texas, stating that, subject to conditions of membership numbered 1 to 3, the Board approves the bank's application for membership in the Federal Reserve System and for the appropriate amount of stock in the Federal Reserve Bank of Dallas. The letter also contained the following special comments:

"The time within which admission to membership in the Federal Reserve System in the manner described may be accomplished is limited to 60 days from the date of this letter, unless the bank applies to the Board and obtains an extension of time. When the Board is advised that all of the requirements have been complied with and that the appropriate amount of Federal Reserve Bank stock has been issued to the bank, the Board will forward to the bank a formal certificate of membership in the Federal Reserve System."
Approved unanimously, together
with a letter to Mr. Gilbert, President of the Federal Reserve Bank of Dallas, reading as follows:

"The Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System approves the application of the First State Bank of Greggton, Greggton, Texas, for membership in the Federal Reserve System, effective if and when the bank is duly authorized to commence business by the appropriate State authorities, subject to the conditions prescribed in the enclosed letter which you are requested to forward to the board of directors of the institution. Two copies of such letter are also enclosed, one of which is for your files and the other of which you are requested to forward to the Bank Commissioner for the State of Texas, for his information.

"It is understood that present plans are to open the bank on or before November 15, 1947. Accordingly, instead of the usual 30 days, the bank is being given 60 days to accomplish membership."

Telegram to Mr. Peterson, Vice President of the Federal Reserve Bank of St. Louis, reading as follows:

"Reurtel August 26 and our letter September 2 Board is now advised approval of F.D.I.C. for continuance of insurance of First Trust and Savings Bank, Paris, Tennessee, after withdrawal granted September 18. Bank may withdraw at any time within two months after expiration of 6 months notice on August 26, 1947."

Approved unanimously.

Letter to the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation reading as follows:

"Pursuant to the provisions of section 12B of the Federal Reserve Act, as amended, the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System hereby certifies that the Liberty County Bank, Chester, Montana, became a member of the Federal Reserve System on September 18, 1947, and is
"now a member of the System. The Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System further hereby certifies that, in connection with the admission of such bank to membership in the Federal Reserve System, consideration was given to the following factors enumerated in subsection (g) of section 12B of the Federal Reserve Act:

1. The financial history and condition of the bank,
2. The adequacy of its capital structure,
3. Its future earnings prospects,
4. The general character of its management,
5. The convenience and needs of the community to be served by the bank, and
6. Whether or not its corporate powers are consistent with the purposes of section 12B of the Federal Reserve Act."

Approved unanimously.

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

"This refers to Mr. Taylor's letter of September 15, 1947, concerning the project of modernizing some of the lighting in your Bank building. It is noted that it is now planned to use a greater number of fixtures than had been contemplated and that about 80 per cent of the wiring that feeds the fixtures through the ceiling will have to be replaced. Mr. Taylor states that the fixtures will cost approximately $45,000, which is $20,000 in excess of the preliminary estimate and that the additional expense of replacing the wiring cannot be determined with absolute accuracy in advance.

"The Board will interpose no objection to your continuing with the program as outlined in Mr. Taylor's letter."

Approved unanimously.

Approved:

Chairman.

Approved unanimo us.

Secretary.