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U.S. Federal Reserve Bank Organization  
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Exhibits and letters submitted at  
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**J. D. BURKE,**  
**BOONE COUNTY SPECIAL SEED CORN,**  
**POLAND CHINA HOGS A SPECIALTY.**  
**THOROUGHbred AND GRADES.**

**S. C. BROWN LEGHORN.**  
**SATISFACTION GUARANTEED OR**  
**MONEY REFUNDED.**

PAIGE, VA., Jan 15 1914

Am - I and H. H. Huetter  
Washington D.C.  
Dear Sir -

Please use your best influence  
in selecting Richard W. as a Regent  
near Bentz City -

Hoping that we can take by receipt  
by some

Yours truly  
J. D. Burke

Form 25

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JAN 15 1914

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**Directors**

WM. SCLATER  
WM. P. HADEN  
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S. P. HARLAND  
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M. G. SCLATER

A. B. HADEN, PRESIDENT  
M. G. SCLATER, VICE-PRESIDENT

S. P. HARLAND, CASHIER

**Bank of Fluvanna, Incorporated**

AUTHORIZED CAPITAL \$50,000.00

PALMYRA, VA. Feb'y 10, 1914.

Form 25

Hon. David F. Houston,  
Sec'y of Agriculture,  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

We hereby request the Reserve Bank Organization Committee to designate Richmond, Va. as the Federal Reserve City to serve our territory.

Yours truly,

A. B. Haden, Pres.

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*A. B. Haden, Pres.*

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ANSWERED  
FEB 16 1914  
FORM 574

# *Dev-Drop Inn*

*Mrs. C. B. Haden, Prop.*

*Light and Water Plant Rates Reasonable*

*Palmyra, Va., Feb'y 3, 1914.*

Hon. David E. Houston,  
sec'y of Agriculture,  
Washington, D. C.

Form *LS*

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**Yours truly,**

*Mrs C. B. Haden*

CENTER HILL LOCAL UNION  
NO 414

Farmers Educational and Co-Operative Union of America  
VIRGINIA DIVISION

A. B. KING PRESIDENT

S. O. BOWLES SECY-TREAS  
PHONE 908

PALMYRA, VA., *Jan 19* 1914

Hon David H. Houston  
Washington  
DC

Form 25

Dear Sir I am voicing  
the sentiment of The Farmers Union of this county  
and of myself personally in asking you  
to consider favorably ~~Richmond~~ as a  
location for one of the Federal Reserve Banks  
It seems to us to be a favorable commercial  
center for eight or ten states

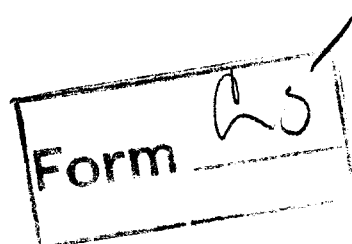
Yrs very Respectfully  
C. E. Robinson

ANSWERED  
JAN 23 1914  
FORM 90-24

OFFICE OF  
WILLIAM SCLATER  
COUNTY CLERK  
FLUVANNA COUNTY

PALMYRA, VA., Feb. 3, 14.

Hon. David F. Houston,  
Sec'y of Agriculture,  
Washington, D. C.



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Yours truly,

W. H. Haden

A. B. Haden

W. H. Haden & Son

General Merchants and Druggists

Filling Prescriptions a Specialty - Phone 923

Palmyra, Va., Feb'y 3, 1914.

Hon. David F. Houston,

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Washington, D. C.

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W. H. Haden, Jr.

ANSWERED  
FEB 16 1914  
FORM 5-21

PALMYRA, VA., Feb. 3, 1914.

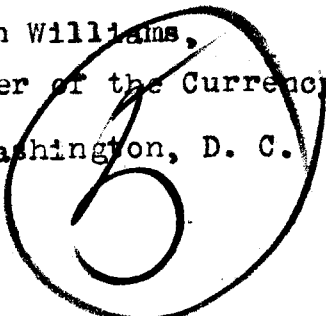
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To W. R. RICHARDS DR.

DEALER IN

All Kinds of Feed, Hay, Corn, Oats, Corn and Oats Crushed, Chop, Bran, Mill Feed, Corn Meal,  
LIVERY AND FEED STABLE ATTACHED

Hon. John Skelton Williams,  
Comptroller of the Currency,  
Washington, D. C.



ANSWERED  
FEB 16 1914  
FORM 5-74

Dear Sir:

We hereby request the Reserve Bank Organization  
Committee to designate Richmond, Va. as the Federal Re-  
serve City to serve our territory.

Yours truly,

*W. R. Richards*

PALMYRA, VA., Feb. 3, 1914.

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To W. R. RICHARDS DR Form *LS*

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WILLIAM SCLATER  
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FLUVANNA COUNTY

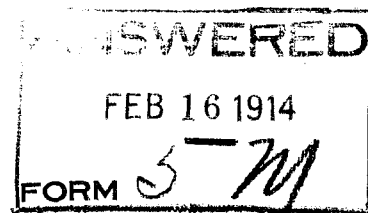
PALMYRA, VA., Feb. 3, 1914.

Hon. John Skelton Williams,  
Comptroller of the Currency,  
Washington, D. C.

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Yours truly,



J. O. SHEPHERD  
ATTORNEY-AT-LAW

TELEGRAPH TO COLUMBIA TO BE PHONED TO PALMYRA  
NO PHONE CHARGES

OFFICE PHONE 931  
HOUSE PHONE 932

PALMYRA, VA., Feb'y 10, 1914.

Form AS 1

Hon. David F. Houston,  
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Washington, D. C.

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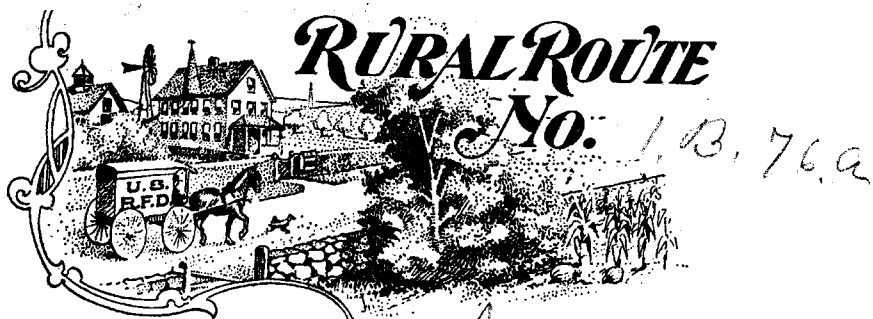
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City to serve our territory.

Yours very truly,

*J. O. Shepherd*

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ANSWERED  
FEB 16 1914  
FORM 5-14



Form AS

Jan - 15 - 1914

Pennington Va  
Hon David, H. Houston  
Washington, D.C

Dear Sir

you please  
do all you can to get  
a Reserve Bank in  
Richmond as I think  
it would be a help  
to us Farmers

Yours Respt

A. T. Anderson

**RICHARD D. BALDWIN**

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DEALER IN

**GENERAL MERCHANDISE, DRY GOODS, NOTIONS, &C.  
SALT AND MILL FEED**



TOILET ARTICLES  
AND SOAPS, &C.

Pamplin City Va., Feb 4 1914

We hereby request the Reserve Bank  
Organization Committee to designate  
Richmond Va as the Federal Reserve  
city to serve our territory

yours R.D. Baldwin

Merchant  
Pamplin  
Va

Form R 5

ANSWERED  
FEB 6 1914  
FORM 50M



Form 25

Richmond

Pamplin Va. 1/12/14  
Hon B. F. Hanstam, Sec. of Agric.  
Dear Sir!

I understand that there will be a selection of Federal reserve cities before long and as a farmer of the State of Virginia I write to ask you to use your influence to select the City of ~~Richmond~~ Va. as an

ANSWERED  
JAN 15 1914  
FORM

Hoping for many successes,  
Yours truly  
D. W. Dickinson

# W. B. FORD

DEALER IN

## General Merchandise

GROCERIES

NOTIONS

HATS

SHOES

TOBACCO

Pamplin, Va., Feb. 4 1914

We hereby request the  
Reserve Bank Organization  
Committee to designate  
Richmond Va. as the  
Federal Reserve City to  
serve our territory

W. B. Ford

ANSWERED  
FEB 6 1914  
FORM 5 M

# FRANKLIN BROTHERS

## GENERAL MERCHANTS



SPECIAL—HAY, CORN, OATS, FURNITURE, &c.

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Pamplin City, Va., Feb 4th 1914 191

We hereby request the Reserve Bank Organization Committee to designate Richmond Va. as the Federal Reserve City to serve our territory

*Very Truly,*  
*Franklin Bros.*  
*Merchants.*  
*Pamplin Va.*

Form 23

ANSWERED  
FEB 6 1914  
FORM 5-M

L. N. LIGON

T. J. LIGON

**HARDWARE,  
AGRICULTURAL  
IMPLEMENTS,**

**W. H. LIGON'S SONS,**

**HAY, GRAIN,  
FLOUR, MEAL,  
FEED, &c.**

**DEALERS IN DRY GOODS, NOTIONS,  
SHOES AND GROCERIES**

**PAMPLIN, VA.**

AGENCIES :  
 HARVESTING MACHINERY,  
 GASOLINE ENGINES,  
 FERTILIZERS,  
 PUMPS, TANKS, TOWERS,  
 COMPLETE WATER PLANTS.

Febry 4th 1914-

Form 15

We hereby request the Reserve Bank Organization Committee  
 to designate RICHMOND, Va., as the Federal Reserve City  
 to serve our territory-

*W. H. Ligon Sons*

Merchants-

Pamplin, Virginia

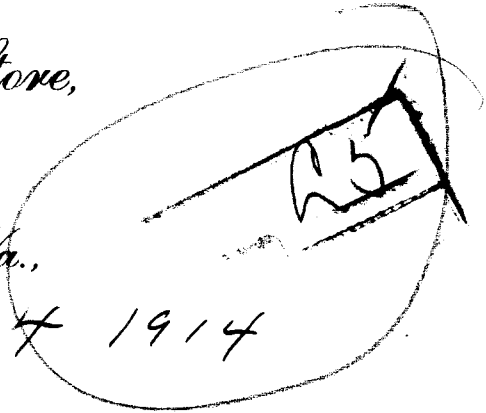
**ANSWERED**  
 FEB 6 1914  
 FORM 5-71

Pamplin City Drug Store,

Lukin & Thornton, Prop's,

Pamplin City, Va.,

Feb. 7 1914



We hereby request the Reserve Bank Organization Committee to designate Richmond, Virginia, as Federal Reserve City to serve our territory.

Pamplin City Drug Store  
Pamplin Va

ANSWERED  
FEB 14 1914  
FORM 5-29

OMC

February 20th, 1914.

Gentlemen:

I am directed by the Committee to advise you that your communication, enclosing a number of cards endorsing Richmond as a proper location for a Federal Reserve Bank, will be filed and considered by the Committee in determining this question.

Respectfully,

Secretary,  
Reserve Bank Organization Committee.

The Pamplin City Drug Store,  
Pamplin, Virginia.

*Cards placed in  
for with other Es letters*

# STATE BANK OF PAMPLIN

INCORPORATED 1905



{ MEMBER AMERICAN BANKERS ASSOCIATION }  
{ MEMBER VIRGINIA BANKERS ASSOCIATION }

No. 162

J. F. CONNALLY, President  
W. B. BINFORD, Vice-President  
L. W. HOFFMAN, Cashier

PAMPLIN, VIRGINIA, January 5, 1913.

Mr. Oliver J. Sands, President,  
The American National Bank,  
Richmond, Virginia.

Dear Mr. Sands,

Replying to your circular letter of January second, addressed to the banks of Virginia, we beg to advise that we shall be very glad indeed to lend our feeble aid to the movement to secure one of the Federal Reserve Banks for Richmond. We have already written the Secretary of the Treasury and if you can suggest any further help which we may be able to give, we will be glad to have you advise us.

Hoping that we may succeed in this effort and with the best of wishes for yourself and your good institution for the year just dawning, we are,

Very truly yours,

Cashier.

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INCORPORATED 1905



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L. W. HOFFMAN, Cashier

PAMPLIN, VIRGINIA, January 5, 1914.

The Honorable William G. McAdoo,  
Secretary of the Treasury,  
Washington, D.C.

My Dear Sir,

We desire to urge upon you, if we may, that Richmond, Virginia, be designated as one of the cities for the location of a Federal Reserve Bank. You have been made acquainted with the statistical reasons for asking this and we hope that they will prove sufficient to induce you to name our capital city.

Richmond's location, and all things being considered, makes *it* thoroughly desirable in our estimation for the establishment of the Federal institution.

Hoping that our humble effort may be united with the powerful effort of the other forces working in this direction and prove successful, we are,

Very respectfully yours,

Cashier.

ANSWERED  
JAN 7 1914  
FORM

Form 65



**H. T. TERRY**

DEALER IN

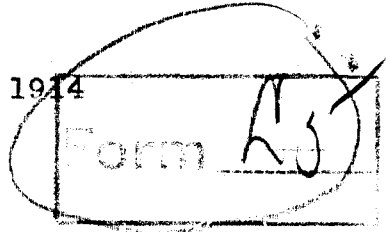
DRY GOODS, NOTIONS, SHOES, HATS, HARDWARE,  
READYMADE CLOTHING and GROCERIES

*Best Market Prices Paid for Chickens, Eggs, Hams, Hides and All Country Produce*



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PAMPLIN, VA., Feb. 4 1914



We hereby request the Reserve Bank Organization Committee to  
designate RICHMOND .VA., as the Federal Reserve City to serve our territory

H.T.Terry, Merchant,

Pamplin Va.

ANSWERED  
FEB 6 1914  
FORM 5-022

No. 8091

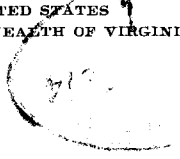
# THE FIRST NATIONAL BANK

PEARISBURG, VA.

P. F. ST. CLAIR, PRES.  
C. L. KING, VICE-PRES. AND CASHIER  
W. R. POWELL, ASST. CASHIER

CAPITAL. \$100,000.00  
SURPLUS. 12,000.00

DEPOSITARY  
UNITED STATES  
COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA



January 6th 1914

JAN 6 - 1914

Mr. Julien H. Hill, Cashier,  
Richmond, Va.

Dear Sir:-

We are with you in every effort to have Federal Reserve Bank located at Richmond. The truth is we do not feel that we could be served well by a location north of Richmond and any place South would would be too indirect.

Let me suggest that the Richmond banks get together and map out a program and let the banks of Virginia know just how to proceed so that the action will be prompt and complete. I am sure every bank will do it gladly but a definite suggestion of what they can do quick for effect would be valuable.

We are writing Mr. Jno. Skelton Williams, Senators Swanson and Martin, Congressmen Slemm and Glass. We are also writing some of our neighbors urging prompt action and also take the liberty to write some of our friends in Southern West Virginia as Richmond would be the most logical point for them.

Honestly it is more important for the country banks than it is for the Richmond banks that the Reserve bank be located at Richmond.

Now whatever I can do call on me. If the Committee holds a hearing in Richmond or Washington the same should be well attended.

Very truly,

Cashier.

Wire us our expense if there is anything we can do.

NO. 8091

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DEPOSITARY  
UNITED STATES  
COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA

January 6th 1914

Hon. John Skelton Williams,  
Ass't Sec of Treasury,  
Washington, D. C.

Hon. Sir:-

A Federal Reserve Bank located at Richmond can serve Virginia, West Virginia and the States to the South with an efficiency and intelligence that no other location can. You know the situation, Your assistance is asked, not because you are a Richmonder, but strictly upon the merits of the location and service.

Very truly,



Cashier.

ANSWERED  
JAN 8 1914  
FORM

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No. 8091

# THE FIRST NATIONAL BANK

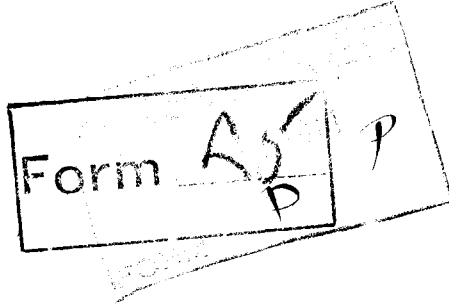
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DEPOSITARY  
UNITED STATES  
COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA

Hon. David F. Houston,  
Secretary of Agriculture,  
Washington, D. C.



Hon. Sir:-

We the undersigned farmers of Giles county, Virginia, who are also shareholders of the First National Bank, Pearisburg, Va., Respectfully and urgently petition that a Federal Reserve Bank be located in the City of Richmond, Virginia, believing it to be the Agricultural interest of Virginia and the States to the South.

*C. F. Straley*  
*Burns Masden*  
*M. J. Miller*  
*J. W. Miller*  
*L. L. King*

*P. F. St. Clair*  
*Mr. Davis*  
*W. R. Powell*  
*J. T. S. Hoge*  
*J. F. Williams*  
*J. W. Henderson*  
*J. P. Johnston*  
*Faunt Johnston*  
*J. S. Miller*  
*H. P. Eaton*  
*A. E. Shuman*  
*W. T. Munsey*  
*W. W. Walker*

Form 15

Perthook, Va.,

Jan. 10, 1914.

Hon. David H. Houston,  
Washington, D. C.

My dear Sir, -

As I am a  
farmer, I am especially  
interested in the location  
of one of the Regional  
Reserve Banks.

I am writing this to  
ask you to use your  
influence in selecting  
Richmond Va. as a  
Regional Reserve Bank City.

Thanking you,  
I am

Yours very truly,  
W. D. Haynes.

ANSWERED  
JAN 13 1914  
FORM 15

(COPY)

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE  
of  
PETERSBURG, VIRGINIA.

January 7th, 1914.

Mr. R. A. Dunlop, *Secy*  
Chamber of Commerce,  
Richmond, Va.

My dear Mr. Dunlop:-

I beg to enclose herewith copy of resolutions which were unanimously adopted by our Board of Governors last night.

From what I can learn all of our people are most anxious to see Richmond win this prize, and I hope you will call on us if we can be of any service to you.

Wishing you a happy New Year, I remain,

Very truly yours,

(Signed) Wm. M. Martin.

Secretary.

At a meeting of the Board of Governors of the Chamber of Commerce of Petersburg, Virginia, Inc., held in the office of the Chamber of Commerce Tuesday evening, January 6th, 1914, the following resolutions were unanimously adopted.

RESOLVED, That the Board of Governors of the Chamber of Commerce of Petersburg heartily endorses the movement to secure for Richmond one of the federal reserve banks, believing that its geographical position, its commercial importance, its banking capital and its railroad connections with South Atlantic points, make it the most logical location that can be secured in this territory.

RESOLVED, That the Board of Governors of the Chamber will cordially co-operate with the Chamber of Commerce of Richmond in urging the selection of Richmond upon the Organization Committee having this matter in charge.

RESOLVED further that a copy of the above resolutions be forwarded to Senators Martin and Swanson and Representative Watson with the request that they do all in their power to assist in the above named movement.

(Signed) Wm. M. Martin,

Secretary.

*Richmond*

Petersburg, Virginia, February 5, 1914.

BE IT RESOLVED,

That the Farmers Convention of the State of Virginia, now in session at Petersburg, Virginia, hereby endorses the nomination of Richmond City as the location for one of the Federal Reserve Banks, believing that its banking capital and surplus, its geographical position, and its railroad connections entitle it to such consideration; and that our United States Senators and Representatives in Congress are hereby requested and urged to do everything in their power to have the City of Richmond appointed.

*W.M. Blankenship, Secy.*

*W.H. Manaway Pres.*

*File with  
Profranchise*



E. A. HARTLEY, President  
T. F. HEATH, Vice-President  
GEO. CAMERON, JR., President  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

B. B. JONES, CASHIER  
E. H. BEASLEY, ASST. CASHIER.

## THE NATIONAL BANK OF PETERSBURG

OFFICE OF PRESIDENT

PETERSBURG, VIRGINIA, Jan. 6, 1914.

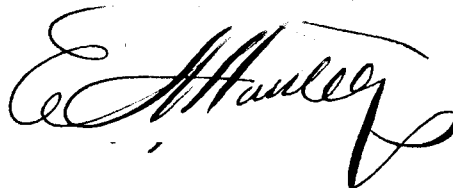
Mr. Oliver J. Sands, President,  
American National Bank,  
Richmond, Va.

Dear Sir:-

We have your favor of the 2nd, and in reply would state it gives us great pleasure to endorse your city for one of the Federal Reserve Banks. We feel that Richmond and Petersburg are so closely allied that we could not act otherwise, and, besides, Petersburg is in the midst of an agricultural district and would naturally expect assistance in times of depression, and to have a reserve bank so near us as to be fully in touch with us would serve our purposes as well as yourselves to have one of these banks located in Richmond. We wish to assure you whatever we can do to help along the location of this bank in Richmond we will not hesitate to do.


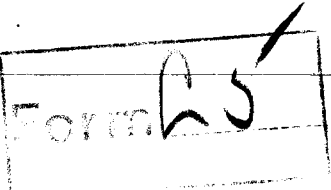
Again assuring you of our co-operation in every department, we remain

Yours very truly,



President.

We hereby request the Reserve Bank Organization Committee to designate RICHMOND, VA., as the Federal Reserve City to serve our territory.

**R. J. Wood & Sons,**  
(Name) **Pennington Gap, Va.**   
(Business) *General Merchandise*  
(City and State) 

E. A. HARTLEY, President  
T. F. HEATH, Vice-President  
GEO. CAMERON, JR., PRESIDENT  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

B. B. JONES, CASHIER  
E. H. BEASLEY, ASST. CASHIER.

# THE NATIONAL BANK OF PETERSBURG

OFFICE OF PRESIDENT

PETERSBURG, VIRGINIA, Jan. 6, 1914.

Hon. W. G. McAdoo,  
Secretary of the Treasury,  
Washington, D. C.

*[Faint handwritten notes and a large 'P' in a box]*

Dear Sir:-

There is an organized effort in Richmond, as well as in the surrounding cities, embracing many of the Southern states, to locate one of the Federal Reserve Banks in the above named city. It gives us great pleasure to heartily endorse this movement. The reasons for such location are many; but one which we would especially emphasize is the agricultural district adjacent to Richmond, Va., and I am sure that great benefit would follow such location throughout the whole section to which it would naturally apply. We trust you may see your way clear to give your influence in this direction.

Yours very respectfully,



President.

Jan 25

E. A. HARTLEY, President  
T. F. HEATH, Vice-President

B. B. JONES, CASHIER.  
E. H. BEASLEY, ASST. CASHIER.

## THE NATIONAL BANK OF PETERSBURG

OFFICE OF PRESIDENT

PETERSBURG, VIRGINIA, Jan. 31, 1914.

Oliver J. Sands, Esq., President,  
American National Bank,  
Richmond, Va.

*See next page*

My dear Sir:-

Referring to the matter very much in the minds of all bank people in this section, I beg to say there are several reasons why ourselves and this city desire the Government to establish a Federal Reserve Bank in Richmond. A few of them to my mind are as follows:

First: The enormous banking capital of Richmond, supplemented by the capital of the nearby cities of Norfolk, Petersburg, Lynchburg and others;

Second: The location of Richmond in a territory so largely given to producing tobacco, cotton, peanuts and other farm products;

Third: The enormous business, manufacturing and distributing, done by Richmond, as well as other Virginia cities, through the South Atlantic States, which means a natural trend of banking business from the South directly to Richmond.

As all banking business tends northward, it would seem a hardship on the large amount of capital in Virginia to go south when practically all of its producing connections are further north.

E. A. HARTLEY, President  
T. F. HEATH, Vice-President  
GEO. CAMERON, JR., President  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

B. B. JONES, CASHIER.  
E. H. BEASLEY, ASST. CASHIER.

## THE NATIONAL BANK OF PETERSBURG

OFFICE OF PRESIDENT

PETERSBURG, VIRGINIA,

Personally, we feel that it would be a hardship on us to be forced to go further north, feeling that a Reserve Bank in Richmond would supply our needs much more quickly and better than any other location.

Trusting you will be able to make some use of this note, and assuring you of my high regard, I remain

Very truly yours,



President.

E. A. HARTLEY, President  
T. F. HEATH, Vice-President

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## THE NATIONAL BANK OF PETERSBURG

PETERSBURG, VIRGINIA, Feb. 2, 1914.

Mr. R. L. Gordon, Assistant Cashier,  
Planters National Bank,  
Richmond, Va.

Dear Mr. Gordon:-

Referring to our 'phone conversation of this morning, we are handing you herewith the request of this bank that Richmond be designated as the Federal Reserve City to serve our territory. We also received a card to-day which I have filled up and forwarded to Mr. Gregory. I do not know what could have become of our former notice.

Yours truly,

  
Cashier.

E. A. HARTLEY, President  
T. F. HEATH, Vice-President

~~GEORGE W. HARTLEY, Vice-President~~  
~~E. A. HARTLEY, Vice-President~~


B. B. JONES, CASHIER  
E. H. BEASLEY, ASST. CASHIER.

## THE NATIONAL BANK OF PETERSBURG

PETERSBURG, VIRGINIA, Feb. 2, 1914.

We hereby request the Reserve Bank Organization Committee to designate Richmond, Virginia, as the Federal Reserve City to serve our territory.

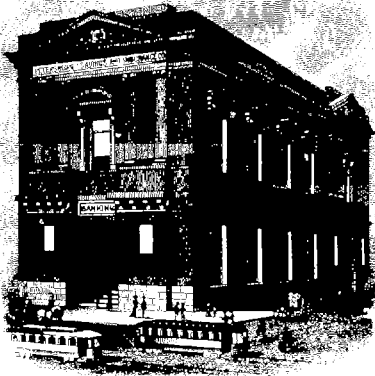
Respectfully,

  
Cashier The National Bank of Petersburg  
Petersburg, Virginia.

ESTABLISHED 1860.

*Alexander Hamilton*, President.  
*Fortescue Whittle*, Vice President.

*P. M. Pollard*, Cashier.  
*Jas. D. Mason*, Asst. Cashier.



Capital \$200,000.

Undivided Profits \$660,000.

Banking Department.

*Petersburg Savings & Insurance Company*

*Petersburg, Virginia,*

January 9, 1914.

Hon. W. G. McAdoo,  
Secretary of the Treasury,

Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:-

We strongly urge the selection of Richmond, Va., for the location of one of the Federal Reserve Banks. In our opinion, Richmond's geographical and strong financial condition, the territory covered by her bank deposits, should command the serious consideration of your committee, and we trust with favorable results.

Very truly yours,

Cashier.

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FORM 5



# WESTERN UNION



# TELEGRAM

THEO. N. VAIL, PRESIDENT

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GEORGE C GREGORY

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VIRGINIA NATIONAL HAS ENDORSED RICHMOND SEE LETTER TO

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HORACE L. SMITH

RICHARD EPPES

# Horace L. Smith & Co.,

JOBBER OF FARM MACHINERY

PETERSBURG, VA. Jan. 9, 1914.

Mr. H. L. Harwood,  
Richmond, Va.

Dear Sir:

I am in receipt of yours of the 7th and had not replied to your former letter owing to the fact that we were with you and I have been so busy that I haven't had time to take care of my correspondence. I will assure you that you shall have the cordial support of Post "C" in helping to secure one of the Reserve Banks at Richmond.

I will write a personal letter to our Representative and request him to lend his influence to Richmond. Enclosed find a circular which was sent me a few days ago from B. F. Avery & Sons, Louisville, Ky. You can see from this circular that the business men of Louisville are trying to locate one of the banks at Louisville. Now, this little circular is widely circulated for I suppose they have a million printed and every dealer and wholesale merchant who are sending out letters are sending these circulars and it might be well for you to put this up to your board for consideration. Return this to me after you are through with it. Petersburg is as much interested in having a Reserve Bank at Richmond as Richmond is and if I can be of further service to you please command me.

Yours respectfully,

HLS/LAD

*Horace L. Smith*  
President Post "C",

Treasury Department

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PETERSBURG Va Jan 14 1914

Hon Wm G McAdoo, Secretary Treasury,

Washington, D.C.

Form *LS*

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TREASURY DEPARTMENT  
JAN 14 1914  
PETERSBURG VA

The officers of this bank favor the city of Richmond as a location for one of the reserve banks

John W Long, Cashier,  
Virginia National Bank

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ANSWERED  
JAN 14 1914  
*pm*  
*LS*  
FORM

*Isaac T. Mann, Pres't.*

*C. M. Galway, Cashier  
H. M. Umberger, Asst. Cashier*

# Bank of Pocahontas

*Pocahontas, Va.* January 27th 1914.

Oliver J. Sands, Chairman,  
Richmond, Va.

Dear Sir:-

It is our pleasure to inform you that  
"Richmond, Virginia" is our choice for the  
location of a Federal Reserve Bank.

Hoping your good City will be  
able to "land it" We beg to remain,

Yours Very Truly,

BANK OF POCAHONTAS

*H. M. Umberger*  
Ass't. Cashier.

*Isaac T. Mann, Pres't.*

*C. M. Galway, Cashier*  
*H. M. Umlberger, Asst. Cashier*

# Bank of Pocahontas

*Pocahontas, Va.*

January 27th. 1914.

The Reserve Bank Organization Committee,

Washington, D. C.

Form *25*

Gentlemen:-

At the request of our President and the Board of Directors, I am writing this to express our preference for "Richmond, Virginia" as the location for the Regional Bank of this section.

We hope your body will give the City of Richmond due consideration.

Yours Very Truly,

BANK OF POCAHONTAS,

*H. M. Umlberger*  
Ass't. Cashier.

ANSWERED  
JAN 30 1914  
*DLB*  
FORM

W. R. GRAHAM, PRESIDENT  
A. ST. CLAIR, VICE PRESIDENT

JAS. H. McNEER, CASHIER  
JOS. A. STUPALSKY, ASST CASHIER

CAPITAL \$ 35,000.00  
SURPLUS \$ 25,000.00  
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# FIRST NATIONAL BANK

POCAHONTAS, VA.

January, 27th, 1914.

Mr. Oliver J. Sands, Chairman,  
Richmond, Va.,

Dear Sir:-

Richmond is our first choice for the location of the Federal Reserve Bank and we hope that you may be successful in having same located there. We are ready to give any assistance in the matter that is possible for us to give.

Yours very truly,

FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF POCAHONTAS,

BY 

CASHIER.

RICHARD T. PRATT,  
CAMDEN FARM,  
PORT ROYAL, VIRGINIA.

Form 25

Jan. 12<sup>th</sup> 1914

Hon. D. F. Houston,  
Washington, D.C.

Dear Sir:-

It would be greatly to my interests  
and to the interests of every farmer  
in this state and in the South I  
believe to have a Federal Reserve  
Bank at Richmond, Va. For many  
reasons, which you have heard, this  
location is preferable to Washington  
or Baltimore. I know that you are  
going to give this matter careful attention  
as it will mean much in rebuilding  
the agriculture of the South.

Yours very truly  
Richard T. Pratt

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E. L. LASH, PRESIDENT.  
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R. S. MARSHALL, CASHIER.  
J. BILISOLY HUDGINS, ASST. CASHIER.

# BANK OF TIDEWATER

INCORPORATED.

CAPITAL \$ 60,000.00

PORTSMOUTH, VA.



Jan. 6th, 1914.

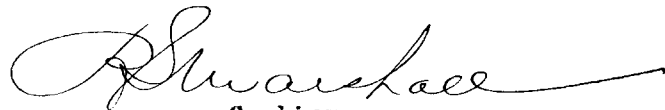
Mr. Oliver J. Sands, President,  
American National Bank,  
Richmond, Va.

Dear Sir:-

We have to advise that under this date we are writing to Hon. W. G. McAdoo, Secretary of the Treasury, urging the selection of the City of Richmond as the location for one of the Federal Reserve Banks. This as per your circular letter of January 2nd, 1914.

Very truly yours,

RSM/G

  
Cashier.



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PORTSMOUTH, VA.



AS  
Jan. 7th, 1914.

Hon. W. G. McAdoo,  
Secretary of the Treasury,  
Washington, D. C.

Sir:-

We are informed through the Public Press that it is the desire of your Department to have some expression from the Banks in the different localities of their views as to the location of the several Federal Reserve Banks. Accordingly we most earnestly request that the City of Richmond be designated as the location for one of these Banks.

The banking capital and deposit strength of the banks of that city, as well as its natural location and prestige of many years standing as one of the leading cities of the South, makes it the logical location for a Federal Reserve Bank. We trust that the claims of this conservative, yet most progressive city of our Southland will be given earnest consideration by your Department.

ANSWERED  
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Yours very respectfully,

*R. S. Marshall*  
Cashier.

RSM/G

No. 9300.

# THE FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF PORTSMOUTH.

UNITED STATES, STATE AND CITY DEPOSITARY

V. GARLAND WEAVER, PRESIDENT  
A. B. JARVIS, VICE PRESIDENT  
E. B. BRUCE, CASHIER

PORTSMOUTH, VA. January 10, 1914.

National State & City Bank,

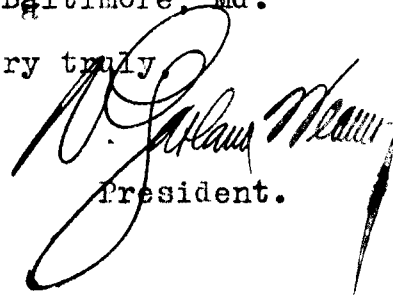
Richmond, Va.

Gentlemen :

Upon receipt of your letter asking our support in having Richmond selected as the location of the Federal Reserve Bank for this district we telegraphed our Senators and *and the Reserve Bank Organization Committee* Congressmen, as follows :

"Our first choice of Cities for the location of Federal Reserve Bank for this district is Richmond, Va., second choice Baltimore, Md. "

Yours very truly,

  
President.

Treasury Department

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TREASURY DEPT. JAN 10 1914 OFFICE OF PRIVATE SECRETARY TO SECRETARY OF THE TREASURY TELEGRAPH OFFICE.

~~REXXXXXXXX~~ The Reserve Bank Organization Committee

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Our first choice of cities for the location of federal reserve bank for this district is Richmond Va second Choice

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First Natl Bank

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ANSWERED JAN 10 1914 FORM [Handwritten signature]

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*S. Lusting & Bro.*  
*Cash and Credit House*  
*Furniture, Carpets, Matting, Rugs.*  
*Stoves, Ranges, Heaters and Decorated Ware*  
*Nos. 725-727 High Street*

*Portsmouth, Va., Jan. 30, 1914*

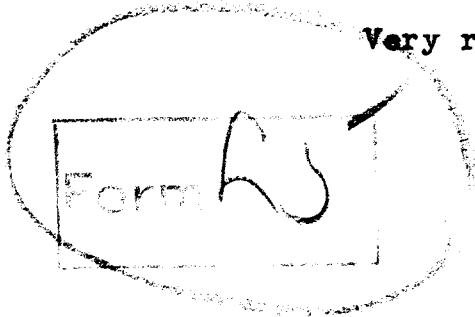
Hon. Wm. G. McAdoo.  
Sec'y. of the Treasury...Washington, D.C.

Dear Sir,

We hereby request the Reserve Bank Organization Committee to designate Richmond, Va. as the Federal Reserve City to serve our territory.

Very respectfully yours,

*S. Lusting & Bro.*



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JOHN T. GRIFIN, PRES.  
J. H. TOOMER, VICE PRESIDENT.

WM. G. MAUPIN, JR., CASHIER.  
L. MCK. JACK, ASST. CASHIER.

**MERCHANTS AND FARMERS BANK,**  
PORTSMOUTH, VA.

CAPITAL \$ 51,500. SURPLUS AND UNDIVIDED PROFITS \$ 250,000.

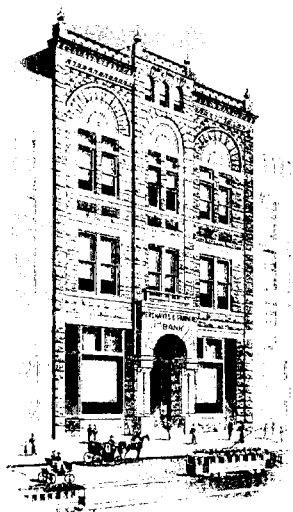
January 21, 1914.

Hon. John Skelton Williams,  
Comptroller of the Currency,  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:-

Many years ago I had some correspondence with you and you were so kind as to say that the information I gave was of some value to you. Since that time I have watched your career with interest, and, as a Virginian I will say, with a great deal of pride. And now that you have been appointed and confirmed Comptroller of the Currency, carrying with it the very responsible position of being one of the three members of the Reserve Bank Organization Committee, please allow me, as a bank officer of forty-five years standing, to express my great satisfaction with your appointment, and to offer my hearty and sincere congratulations. In the selection of the Federal Reserve Cities, I know you will be guided by a supreme desire to serve the whole country, yet I trust that with the facts and figures which will be placed before your committee by the banks of Richmond, you will see that the City of Richmond as a center will most advance the financial interest of this region, and exert the most influence in making the Currency Bill a success. After considering this matter carefully, I myself am confident of it.

While not intending in any way to depreciate the progressiveness of the City of Atlanta, I cannot but allude to the fact



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that the Virginia Bankers, represented principally by Richmond, had the Negotiable Instruments Law placed upon the statute books of this State years ago, while the Georgia banks, represented by Atlanta, have not yet been able to impress their people with the importance of enacting it. Being one of the only five banks in the United States which have not passed this law, does not this lack of progressiveness in banking matters promise badly for Georgia's influence in making the Currency Bill a success.

Hoping for you continual success in your new sphere of usefulness, and with kindest personal regards, I am

Very truly yours,

*J. H. Toomer*

TALK TO KAUFMAN BEFORE IT IS TOO LATE

PORTSMOUTH AGENCY

# The Mutual Benefit Life Insurance Company

OF NEWARK, N J.

ORGANIZED 1845

PAID POLICY HOLDERS \$320,745,272.15

FREDERICK FRELINGHUYSEN, PRESIDENT.



**JETER C. KAUFMAN**  
516 Middle Street  
DISTRICT MANAGER

PORTSMOUTH, VA., Jan. 30th, 1914.

Hon. John Skelton Williams,  
Comptroller of the Currency,  
Washington, D. C.

Answered JAN 31 1914

Dear Sir:-

The writer is in a position to appreciate the large trade relations that exist between Tidewater, Va. and Richmond, and I am taking this opportunity to present my views upon the location of one of the Federal Reserve Banks. Richmond is located about one hundred miles from Portsmouth and Norfolk.

The Bank relations are closely allied and I have freely discussed with several directors of various North Carolina Banks, as well as those in our immediate locality, and they will practically unite in one grand approval and endorse Richmond as being the most suitable location for such Reserve Bank.

I sincerely trust that the Organization Committee will in their wisdom select Richmond as a location, and as it is a policy of our Government to listen to the voice of the people, I therefore feel confident that they will receive the consideration that they deserve.

Yours very truly,

K/S

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FORM 25

PORTSMOUTH, VA., Jan. 30th, 1914.

Hon. David F. Houston,  
Secretary of Agriculture,  
Washington, D. C.

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Secretary of the Treasury,  
Washington, D. C.

Form 25

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2ND VICE-PRESIDENT

E. ANTHONY,  
TREASURER

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# PORTSMOUTH RETAIL MERCHANTS ASSOCIATION

INCORPORATED

KIRN BUILDING

DIRECTORS

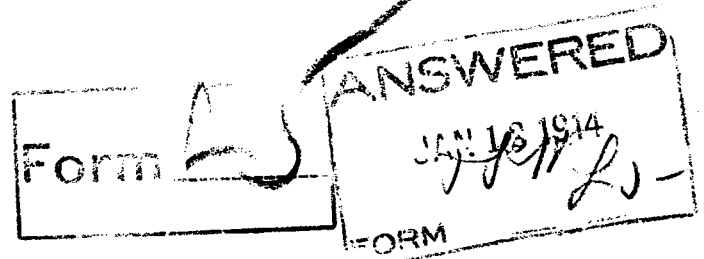
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- C. E. ADAMS
- C. L. MURPHY
- A. S. TRANT
- E. A. BUNN

PORTSMOUTH, VA. Jan. 10th, 1914.

Hon. W.G. McAdoo. Sec'y Treas.

Washington, D.C.

Dear Sir;



At a meeting of the Board of Directors of this Association, held January 8th, 1914, the following resolutions were adopted.

Whereas, by act of Congress the location of the Federal Reserve Bank is now being considered by the Organization Committee in Washington, and

Whereas, the City of Richmond Va., is an applicant for the location of one of the Regional Reserve Banks, therefore be it

RESOLVED- That this Association does hereby endorse and recomend the City of Richmond, Va., for the location of a Regional Reserve Bank, believing that its Banking capital and surplus, its geographical position and transportation facilities connecting it with all points in the District, as well as its proximity to the great trade centers, render it a most convenient location for a Regional Bank, and be it further

RESOLVED- That a copy of these resolutions be sent to the Organization Committee in Washington, and to our Senators and Representative in Congress.

*M. E. Farmer*  
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Portsmouth Retail Merchants Asso. Inc.

Sec'y By *John A. Morris* Vice-Pres.

H. W. GOODE  
Commissioner of Revenue  
and Auctioneer  
POWHATAN C. H., VA.

Powhatan, Va.,m

February 14th., 1914.

Hon. Wm. G. McAdoo,  
Secretary of the Treasury,  
Washington, D.C.

ANSWERED  
FEB 19 1914  
FORM 5-74

Form 5

Dear Sir:-

In my position I have had the opportunity of discussing the establishment of Federal Reserve Banks with practically all the representative citizens of my entire County, and we all agree without one exception, considering our large trade relation with Richmond that our locality would be much better served by having one of the Reserve Banks located in RICHMOND than in any other of the cities have, or can be mentioned. When we consider RICHMOND'S geographical position and its facilities of communication, commercial importance, Capital resources of District and the views of the Banks and the people in the District, we feel that RICHMOND'S qualifications fully justify such course, and we trust that the organization Committee will in their wisdom see and feed as we do, that RICHMOND is an IDEAL location for one of the Federal Reserve Banks.

Yours very truly,



**GENERAL CHEMICAL COMPANY**

PULASKI  
VIRGINIA

February 4, 1914.

PULASKI WORKS

Hon. Wm. G. McAdoo,  
Secretary of The Treasury,  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:-

Permit us to add our name to the list of  
petitioners who are seeking to have one of the Reserve  
Banks located in the City of Richmond.

We believe that the business and banking  
interests of our section of this State would be bene-  
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A very large proportion of the business of  
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Very truly yours,

RFH/FLM.

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Rowland F. Hill

**GENERAL CHEMICAL COMPANY**

PULASKI  
VIRGINIA

February 4, 1914.

PULASKI WORKS

Hon. John Skelton Williams,  
Comptroller of The Currency,  
Washington, D.C.

Form *LS*

Answered FEB 5 1914

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*Rawland F. Hill*

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FORM *S. Hill*

THE PEOPLES BANK OF PULASKI,  
PULASKI, VIRGINIA.

W. H. BRAMLITT, PRESIDENT.

B. BLOCKSIDE, VICE-PRESIDENT.

J. W. MILLER, CASHIER.

1/27/14

Mr Thos B. Melanson Cashier  
Rich<sup>d</sup> Va

Dear Sir:-

Replying to your message  
we have expressed to the organization  
our preference in matter  
of Reserve Board & of course  
favor Richmond & hope you  
may succeed in so locating  
ours.

Yours Truly  
J. W. Miller  
Cashier

G. LAUGHON, PRESIDENT  
O. C. BREWER, VICE-PRESIDENT

ROBERT BUNTS, JR., GENERAL MANAGER

NEAL BUNTS, TREASURER  
J. E. CROWELL, SECRETARY

DEALERS IN STEAM AND GASOLINE ENGINES STEAM AND POWER PUMPS BOILERS AND HEATERS ELECTRIC MOTORS AND APPLIANCES	<h1 style="font-size: 2em; margin: 0;">PULASKI FOUNDRY &amp; MACHINE CO.</h1> <p style="margin: 0;">INCORPORATED</p> <h2 style="margin: 0;">ENGINEERS</h2> <h3 style="margin: 0;">FOUNDERS AND MACHINISTS</h3> <p style="margin: 0;">MANUFACTURERS OF</p> <h4 style="margin: 0;">BLAST FURNACE EQUIPMENT</h4> <p style="margin: 0;">ORE WASHERS, SCREENS AND SEPARATORS, MINE CARS</p> <p style="margin: 0;">IRON AND BRASS CASTINGS</p> <p style="margin: 0;">REPAIR WORK OF ALL KINDS PROMPTLY EXECUTED</p>	DEALERS IN SAW MILL OUTFITS SAWS AND SAW REPAIRS ROCK CRUSHERS ELEVATORS SHAFTING, HANGERS PULLEYS BELTING, ETC. HEAVY MILL SUPPLIES
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PULASKI, VIRGINIA 2/4/14.

Hon. Wm. G. McAdoo,  
Secty. of Treasy.,  
Washington, D. C.

*AS*

Gentlemen:

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Yours very truly,

PULASKI FOUNDRY & MACHINE CO.  
*Robert Bunts, Jr.*  
GENERAL MANAGER.

ANSWERED  
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FORM *3-111*

JOHN W. ECKMAN, VICE-PRESIDENT  
K. E. HARMAN, 2ND VICE-PRESIDENT

GEO. L. CARTER, PRESIDENT

O. P. JORDAN, CASHIER  
B. F. BALDWIN, ASS'T CASHIER

# THE PULASKI NATIONAL BANK

CAPITAL, - - \$50,000  
SURPLUS, - - 50,000  
UNDIVIDED PROFITS, 10,000

PULASKI, VIRGINIA, Jan. 7, 1914.

Mr. Wm. Addison, Cashier,  
First National Bank,  
Richmond, Va.

Dear Sir:

Your circular letter of the 5th instant received. We have communicated with the Secretary of the Treasury, the Assistant Secretary of the Treasury and our United States Senators urging upon them the claims of Richmond for selection as a location for one of the Regional Reserve Banks. We certainly trust that Richmond will be selected.

Yours very truly,

Pulaski National Bank

By *O. P. Jordan*  
Cashier.



JOHN W. ECKMAN, VICE-PRESIDENT  
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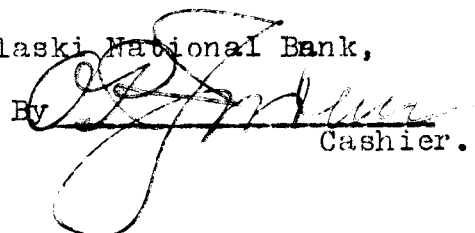
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Your circular letter of the 5th instant received. We have communicated with the Secretary of the Treasury, the Assistant Secretary of the Treasury and our United States Senators urging upon them the claims of Richmond for selection as a location for one of the Regional Reserve Banks. We certainly trust that Richmond will be selected.

Yours very truly,

Pulaski National Bank,

By



Cashier.

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GEO. L. CARTER, PRESIDENT

O. P. JORDAN, CASHIER  
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# THE PULASKI NATIONAL BANK

CAPITAL, - - \$50,000  
SURPLUS, - - 50,000  
UNDIVIDED PROFITS, 10,000

PULASKI, VIRGINIA, Jan. 7, 1914.

Hon. Wm. G. McAdoo, Chairman,  
Washington, D. C.

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Dear Sir:

By direction of my Board of Directors I write to urge upon you the claims of the City of Richmond, Virginia, as a proper location for a Regional Reserve Bank. We feel certain that a careful study of the statistics bearing upon the subject will reveal that the claims of Richmond are very meritorious both from a business and a geographical standpoint.

We trust that the Committee will so decide and that Richmond will be selected as the location for one of the banks.

Respectfully,

Pulaski National Bank,

By *O. P. Jordan*  
Cashier.

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Hon. John Skelton Williams,  
Treasury Department,  
Washington, D. C.

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Office*

Dear Sir:

We write to urge upon you the claims of the City of Richmond for selection as a proper location for a Regional Reserve Bank. It appears to us that from a business and geographical standpoint that Richmond is the logical place for one of the Banks. We certainly trust that you will do every thing in your power to advance her claims.

Yours Respectfully,

Pulaski National Bank,

By

*[Handwritten Signature]*

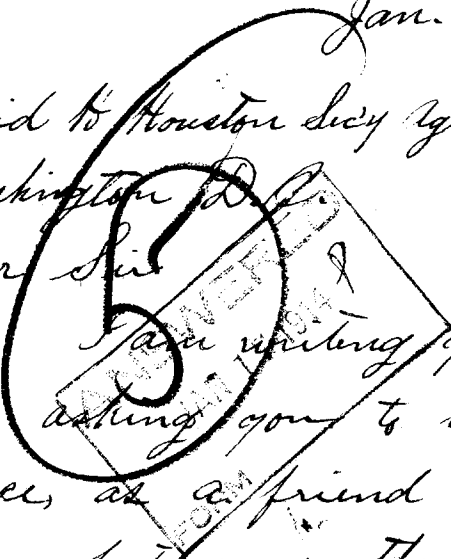
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Rowling Va

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H. v. David to Houston Secy Agriculture  
Washington D.C.

Dear Sir


 I am writing you as a  
 Farmer asking you to use your  
 influence as a friend to the  
 Farmers of these southern states  
 to select Richmond Va as a suit-  
 able location for a "Regional  
 Reserve bank", as the above city  
 is a suitable from a business  
 standpoint. Hoping for this step as  
 I do for more & better legislation  
 in the interest of the Farmer  
 I am yours Respc  
 E. M. House

Rawlings, Va. Jan. 13, 1914.

Hon. D. H. Houston,  
Washington, D. C.

Sir:

I am sure that the farmers of my county would appreciate any effort that you might put forth to have Richmond selected as one of the cities for the Regional Reserve Banks.

I feel that you would be conferring a great benefit to us.

Very respectfully,



P. Lee Chambliss

President of

the Brunswick County (Va) Farmers' Union.

Richmond, Va. January 9, 1914.

To Our Senators and Members of the House of Congress,  
Washington, D. C.

Gentlemen:-

We the undersigned State and City officials do respectfully urge that you do everything that you possibly can to try and secure the location of one of the Regional Banks in the City of Richmond.

In our opinion this means more to our City and State than any matter that has arisen in years, and we are deeply interested in same.

Respectfully,

*J. Leroy Speight*  
*W. W. Wafford*  
*Geo. J. Hill*  
*W. A. Thompson*  
*P. P. Winston*  
*W. W. Winston*  
*Lester Libby*  
 (JUDGE) *Rev. J. Crisp*  
*Geo. L. Lusk*  
*B. P. Noble*  
*Edw. Blake*  
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*E. M. Rowelle*  
*Garland B. Taylor*  
*George Ainslie*  
*E. S. Davis*  
*W. E. Dickerson*  
*W. D. Dace*  
*Frank A. Field*  
*Joseph Welsh*  
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*Ed. Lester*  
*T. E. Tinsman*  
*Geo. B. Davis Jr*  
*W. G. Booth*  
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*Joe M. Shelton*



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*Richmond, Va.,*

Jany. 19th, 1914

Hon. Wm. G. McAdoo,  
Secretary of The Treasury,  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir :-

We believe that Richmond occupies the right spot on the map for one of the Federal Reserve Banks, to best serve the Southeastern States. We could give you a number of reasons, backing up our thoughts along this line, but we will not consume your time discussing the superior facilities that Richmond affords for the operation of such a Bank. Therefore, we earnestly solicit your efforts in Richmond's behalf, and hope that the Organization Committee will select Richmond as the location for one of the Federal Reserve Banks.

Yours very truly,  
T.T.ADAMS COMPANY.

ANSWERED  
JAN 20 1914  
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ANSWERED  
JAN 21 1914  
T. T. ADAMS CO.

TTA/G.

MORGAN G. BULKELEY, PRESIDENT  
WALTER C. FAXON, VICE PRESIDENT.

J. SCOFIELD ROWE, SECRETARY.  
MORGAN B. BRAINARD, TREASURER.



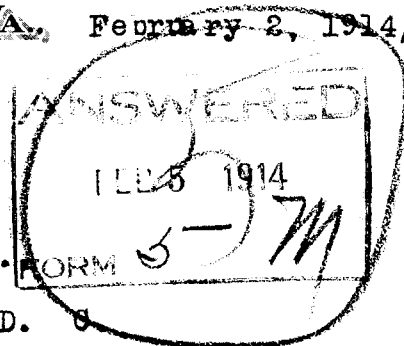
# ACCIDENT AND LIABILITY COMPANY

OF HARTFORD, CONN.

RICHMOND BRANCH OFFICE,  
W. E. MORTON, MANAGER,  
FIDELITY AND SURETY DEPARTMENT,  
AMERICAN NATIONAL BANK BUILDING,

RICHMOND, VA., February 2, 1914/2.

Hon. Wm. McAdoo and Members  
of Federal Reserve Bank Committee,  
Treasury Department, U. S. A.  
Washington, D. C.



S i r s : --

I beg to submit for your favorable consideration the location of a Reserve Bank in the City of Richmond, Va., as being the accessible point for transactions south, east and west of Richmond, comprising the territory composed of South-eastern West Virginia, Eastern Kentucky, Tennessee, all of North Carolina, South Carolina, Georgia, Florida and the Eastern portion of Alabama.

When my Company located in this section, to conserve the territory I control, they determined upon Richmond as the central point. This same point has been utilized by other insurance companies doing business in North and South Carolina, having branch offices in this City, as it is the most accessible point.

We therefore heartily endorse and recommend favorably that you designate Richmond one of the reserve centers.

Respectfully yours,

Manager.

# ALLEN & GINTER BRANCH

## LIGGETT & MYERS TOBACCO COMPANY

RICHMOND, VA. January 5, 1913.

Hon. John Skelton Williams,  
Assistant Secretary of the Treasury,  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

As a citizen of this city, I am very much interested in its growth and importance and I really have never realized that it was of so much importance as figures recently brought to my attention indicate, which I take the liberty of repeating, and I am writing to add my views to Richmond's claim that it should be selected as one of the points for the location of the proposed Federal reserve banks and give the following reasons as a basis for this claim:

First. On account of its accepted commercial importance, which I would describe as follows:

National banking capital in Richmond,	\$10,700,000.00
National banking resources of the state	
	168,000,000.00
Annual jobbing business,	80,000,000.00
Annual manufactured products,	100,000,000.00

If this Committee is to be governed at all by these facts and will make the necessary comparisons with other states and cities, there can be no doubt about their decision, as the figures speak volumes and stand for themselves.

Second. One of the principal reason why Richmond makes such a splendid commercial showing is on account of its many transportation advantages for the distribution of freight. Located as it is on the main line of the principal railroads, East and West by trunk lines, enjoying the lowest freight and shortest lines, even to the middle West; a direct line to the West Virginia coal fields, touching western Kentucky and Tennessee; on the South, direct lines to all points. Leading North, we have direct lines to all of the principal cities, and in addition, enjoy the benefit of water differential rates, which is a distinct advantage. These claims are already being recognized from the fact that many of the large corporations of this country are using Richmond as a distributing point for merchandise of all kinds, as it puts them in closer touch with their customers. Liggett & Myers Tobacco Co., in connection with the Allen & Ginter Branch, have just opened a depot here where will be carried in stock a full assortment of all their products, consisting of chewing and smoking tobacco and cigarettes so as to be in closer touch with the trade in the southeastern territory.

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It has come under my observation that the freight

**ALLEN & GINTER BRANCH.**

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rates from this city to the West are as low, and in some instances, lower than any of the large cities on the Atlantic Seaboard, and it has also been brought to my attention that the western service, as well as the southern service, is exceptionally quick, all of which influenced us in the establishment of this depot.

Still another reason that makes Richmond a desirable distributing point is its climatic conditions, which are of such a nature that the railroads are permitted to operate freely practically all the year round, which is another distinct advantage to the merchants and manufacturers.

Third. The very large cigarette and tobacco factories that are located here, in addition to employing a great many people, pay annually to the United States Government enormous sums in the shape of internal revenue taxes and customs duties. For the twelve months ending December 31, 1913, the:

Total internal revenue tax on all manufactured tobacco products for the Second District of Virginia amounted to \$5,475,000.00

Total customs duties collected on tobacco at the port of Richmond amounted to \$849,000.00.

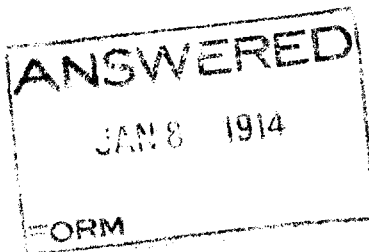
Our manufactures are of a diversified character and we are not dependant upon any one industry, and both men and women, boys and girls, can find ready employment and the character of its population is such that as a rule we are comparatively free of internal strife.

Almost all of the leading southern railroads operate under a Virginia charter and many of them have their operating headquarters in this city.

The hotels rank with the best that can be found in this country, and we possess every feature that goes to make the ground work of a large and flourishing community.

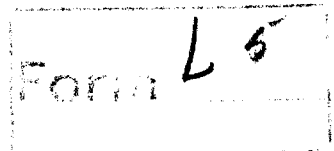
You, of course, having been a resident of this city for so many years know full well the sterling and progressive qualities of our business men.

Thanking you for your attention and trusting this letter may have some weight in the decision, I am,



Yours very respectfully,

*W. Williams*

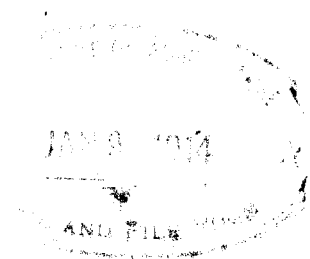


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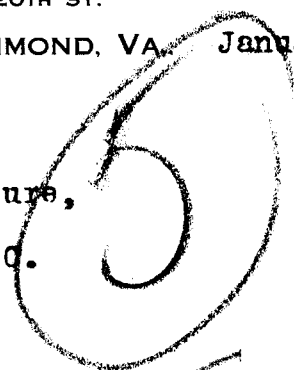
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17 & 19 NORTH 20TH ST.

RICHMOND, VA. January 8th 1914.

Hon. Secretary of Agriculture,  
Washington, D. C.



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Thanking you in advance, and trusting you may see your way clear to favor Richmond whose location and volume of business will, no doubt, make it to the Government's Interest to do so, we are,

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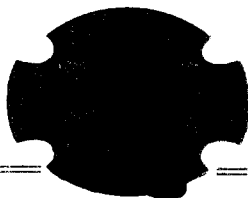
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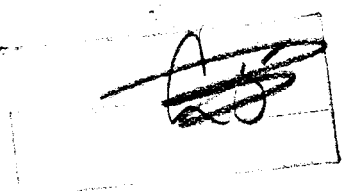
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AMERICAN LOCOMOTIVE COMPANY  
RICHMOND, VA.



January 24, 1914.

R-14-43.

Hon. John Skelton Williams,  
Comptroller of the Currency,  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:-

As established manufacturers of locomotives located in Richmond, Va., classed as one of the largest manufacturers in this City, we are very much interested in the location of the Regional Bank, which will be established in the district of which Virginia will be a part.

We are of the opinion that Richmond is the most suitable location for this Bank for the following reasons:

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- (2) In times of financial stress the trade of the South looks to Richmond for assistance and such a Bank located here would naturally be better able to meet its requirements than if located elsewhere.
- (3) Richmond being a Southern City is naturally better acquainted with the local conditions of the South and a board of a Regional Bank located here would, therefore, be better able to meet the real needs of the Southern people than such a Bank located in any City farther North.
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In view of the reasons as noted above, we heartily

AMERICAN LOCOMOTIVE COMPANY

RICHMOND, VA.

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and respectfully request that you use your influence and give  
every assistance to the end that a Regional Bank be established  
at Richmond.

Yours very respectfully,

*Geo Gurry*  
Manager.

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AMERICAN LOCOMOTIVE COMPANY

RICHMOND, VA. January 26, 1914.

R-14-43

Hon. David F. Houston,  
Secretary of Agriculture,  
Washington, D. C.

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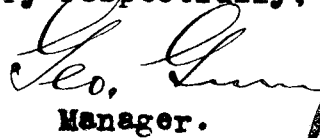
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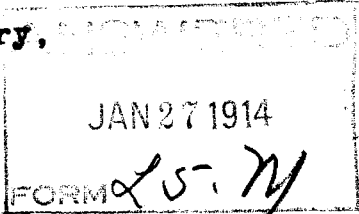
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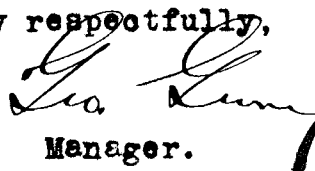
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WALLER HOLLADAY, ASST. CASHIER.  
D. W. DURRETT, ASST. CASHIER.



# THE AMERICAN NATIONAL BANK

RICHMOND, VA.,

December 31, 1913.

Hon. John Skelton Williams,  
Assistant Secretary of the Treasury,  
Washington, D.C.

Dear Sir:-

We desire to call your attention to the fact that the banks and commercial interests of Richmond feel that this City should be chosen as the location for one of the Regional Reserve banks which your Committee will designate. Many reasons can and will be presented to you why this should be done.

Richmond is already the depository for hundreds of banks throughout this section of country, not because it is a reserve city, but because it is a natural trade and commercial center. You will note from the memorandum enclosed that the capital and surplus of the national banks in this City exceed those in any other city in the South Atlantic section and that the deposits are comparatively very large. We are of the opinion that these reserve banks should be located within six or eight hours mail of the territory which they serve, and that being the case, a bank located in New York will serve the territory as far South as Washington and that a large territory from Washington South and West could be better served by a bank located in Richmond.

We know that these matters will all be carefully considered by your Committee, and we would like to have the opportunity of placing in your hands any information which you may desire. This letter is simply preliminary and to let you know how we feel about it. We are satisfied that bankers and business men covering a very wide territory will endorse this suggestion.

We also enclose copy of resolution adopted by the banks of this City at a recent meeting.

Very truly yours,  
  
President.

OJS/O/Enc.

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# THE AMERICAN NATIONAL BANK

RICHMOND, VA.,

Dec. 31, 1913.

Hon. W. G. McAdoo,  
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President.

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**STATEMENT OF CAPITAL, SURPLUS AND DEPOSITS OF THE NATIONAL BANKS  
LOCATED IN THE SOUTH-EASTERN STATES.**

	CAPITAL.	SURPLUS	GROSS DEPOSITS.
Washington, D. C.	6,500,000.	5,000,000.	36,000,000.
Virginia	17,600,000.	11,600,000.	113,000,000.
West Virginia	10,000,000.	6,400,000.	64,000,000.
North Carolina	8,400,000.	2,800,000.	46,000,000.
South Carolina	6,300,000.	2,100,000.	30,000,000.
Georgia	15,100,000.	9,300,000.	63,000,000.
Florida	7,500,000.	3,000,000.	40,000,000.
Alabama	10,200,000.	5,800,000.	50,000,000.
Mississippi	3,400,000.	1,600,000.	17,000,000.
Louisiana	3,000,000.	2,300,000.	17,000,000.
New Orleans	5,200,000.	3,000,000.	34,000,000.
Kentucky	12,300,000.	5,200,000.	46,000,000.
Louisville	5,500,000.	2,700,000.	33,000,000.
Tennessee	13,200,000.	5,500,000.	78,000,000.

	CAP. & SUR. NAT. BANKS	CAP. & SUR. STATE BANKS	TOTAL	DEPOSITS
Washington City	11,500,000.	16,200,000.	27,500,000.	83,000,000.
New Orleans	8,200,000.	13,300,000.	21,500,000.	89,000,000.
Richmond, Va.	10,700,000.	7,300,000.	18,000,000.	53,000,000.
Atlanta, Ga.	9,700,000.	7,300,000.	17,000,000.	35,000,000.

Figures taken as far as possible from statement of Comptroller of Currency, Richmond, Va., Atlanta, Ga., from Bankers' Register, as these are not reserve cities. Figures regarding State Banks also taken from Bankers Register.

Dec. 31, 1913.

**RESOLUTION OF BANKS OF RICHMOND.**

At a meeting of the banks of this City it was **RESOLVED**, that the Banks of Richmond, Va. will co-operate with the commercial bodies of this city to secure the nomination of Richmond as the location of one of the Federal Reserve Banks, believing that its banking capital and surplus, its geographical position and the fact that it is the natural point of trade for the South Atlantic States and a portion of Tennessee and West Virginia, entitle it to such consideration. It is the most important city in finance, trade and population in the territory named. It is in the trend of trade and finance to the North and East and numbers now amongst its depositors a large number of the banks in the section named.

Its geographical location and railroad facilities connecting it with all points in this territory, as well as its proximity to the great trade centers, render it most convenient to those cities for the transaction of their business.

GEO. W. BROWN  
PRESIDENT

J. D. SHEAHAN  
VICE-PRESIDENT

W. W. BROCK  
TREASURER

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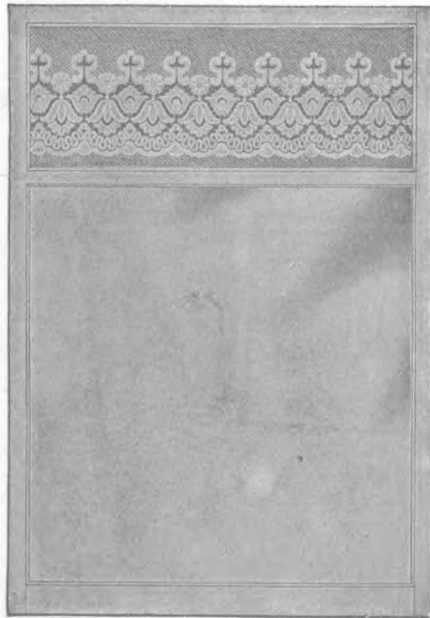
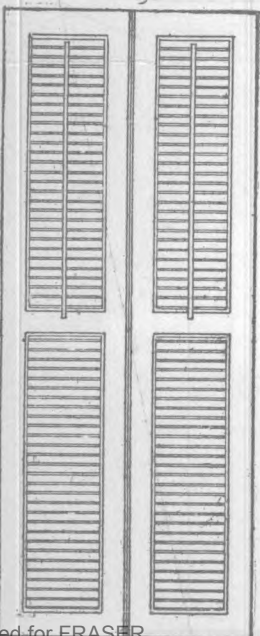
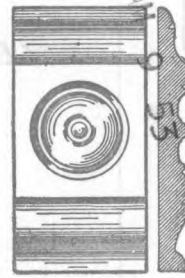
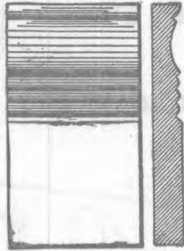
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THE RECOLLECTION OF GOOD QUALITY REMAINS LONG AFTER THE PRICE IS FORGOTTEN

The Bank of Commerce & Trusts  
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January 6, 1914.

To the

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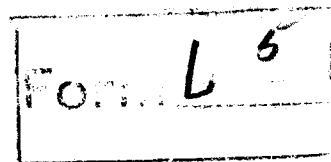
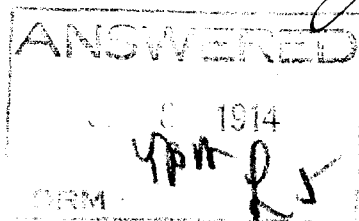
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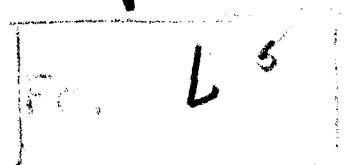
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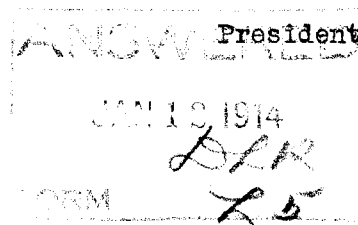
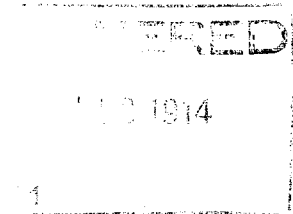
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*Approved  
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Dec. 31, 1913.

RESOLUTION OF BANKS OF RICHMOND.

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Its geographical location and railroad facilities connecting it with all points in this territory, as well as its proximity to the great trade centers, render it most convenient to those cities for the transaction of their business.

BAR ASSOCIATION  
OF THE CITY OF RICHMOND

January 12th, 1914.

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By

*St. Jordan Leake,*

President.

*W. C. Carruth*

Secretary.

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Encl.

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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED - That Richmond is the natural center of such business interests despite its proximity to Baltimore and Washington, is patent to us as lawyers, since here is and has always been established the Circuit Court of Appeals of the United States for the five great States of Maryland, Virginia, West Virginia, North and South Carolina.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED - That a copy of these resolutions be sent to the members of the Bar of Virginia, West Virginia, North Carolina and South Carolina, Georgia, and Florida.

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over*

George Bryan  
Attorney and Counselor at Law  
American Bank Building  
Richmond, Virginia

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January 12, 1914.

His Excellency

The President,

Washington.

Dear Mr. President:

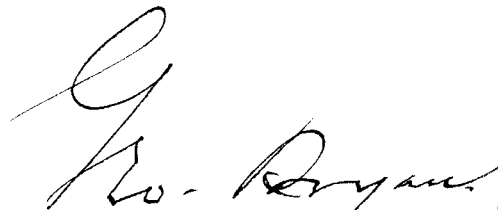
Richmond is making a wonderful effort to secure its designation as a federal reserve city under the provisions of the Currency Act. Its success would mean more to Virginia than anything which has emanated from Washington since the repeal of the Re-construction legislation. Its large banking capital, the conservative and successful conduct of its banking business illustrated by the fact that in 1907 it was one of the few cities of the country which did not resort to the use of clearing-house certificates; its geographical position at the head of tide-water navigation and only one and a half hours distant from the greatest harbor on the Atlantic Coast; its position as a railroad center and consequently as an important receiving and distributing point; its large and steadily growing manufacturing industries are a few of the substantial considerations which should commend it to the judgment of those directly charged by the law with the selection of the reserve cities.

I am writing only to lay the matter before you and to say that any emphasis which you can within the line of your duty place upon the effort which Richmond is making to secure the place upon the financial map of the country which it already occupies in its history of men and deeds would be gratefully appreciated throughout Virginia. Its people are already with you, but this would mean the signing, sealing and delivery of their compact of allegiance.

With best wishes, I am,

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Sincerely yours,



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Mr McAdoo,

Washington, D.C.

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As an alumnus of University of Virginia, as one who has the welfare and prosperity of the south at heart, I earnestly beg you to consider Richmond as the most desirable location for the regional bank.

R C Bryan

1124am

*Handwritten initials*

DEPARTMENT OF LABOR  
OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY  
WASHINGTON

*Handwritten date and notes:*  
3/16/14  
D. C. ...

Respectfully referred to  
the *Treasury Dept*  
by direction of the Secretary,  
and the writer so advised.

H. L. KERWIN,  
Private Secretary.

DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

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Richmond, Va., March 16, 1914.

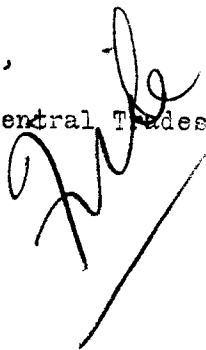
Hon. W. B. Wilson,

Washington, D. C.

Central Trades and Labor Council of Richmond, Va., endorses  
our city as location for Federal Reserve Bank. We beg of you to assist  
us. Answer.

John Hirschberg,

President, Central Trades and Labor Council.



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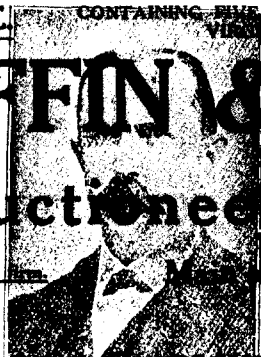
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RICHMOND, VA. January 30, 1914. 191

Mr. Oliver J. Sands, Chairman,  
City.

Dear Sir:

I am in receipt of your letter of the 28th inst. To be brief in stating my reasons why Richmond should be chosen as the location for one of the FEDERAL RESERVE BANKS, beg to state that the Carolinas, some parts of Georgia, Florida, Southern West Virginia and Eastern Tennessee now do business with Richmond. Particularly is this true of the Carolinas, who do most of their borrowing in Richmond. The people know and understand each other. The securities on which they borrow are known and the business methods of these communities understood by the Richmond bankers. The natural trend of trade is from these sections to Richmond, as the lines of communication indicate. To disrupt these relations of such long standing would be deplorable and in the nature of a commercial revolution.

Yours very truly,



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Hon Secretary of the Treasury,

Washington, D.C.

As a member of the alumni association of Virginia and a citizen of Virginia, I earnestly urge that one of the federal reserve banks be established at Richmond

W H Chapman

1258pm

J. B. WATKINS, President,  
Midlothian, Va.

T. D. BURFOOT, Secretary and General Manager.  
R. F. D. No. 8, South Richmond, Va.

Dr. L. A. SIMS, Treasurer,  
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Richmond, Va.,

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Jan 30, 1914

To Mr. H. H. Houston  
Washington D.C.

Form 25

Dear Sir,  
Kindly  
consider the  
many advantages  
of Richmond for  
~~reserves bank~~ This  
my interest in the  
agricultural fairs that  
prompt this. Respect  
T. D. Burfoot

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Richmond, Va. Jan. 27th, 1914.

Hon. John Skelton Williams,  
Comptroller of the Currency,  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Williams:

I hand you herewith copies of three  
letters, the contents of which I will thank you to read.

Yours very truly,



Ex. Secy.

ANSWERED  
JAN 30 1914  
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**FEDERAL RESERVE BANK ORGANIZATION COMMITTEE.**

**February 14th, 1914.**

**My dear George:**

I am in receipt of your letter of February 13th advising that you are forwarding certain papers dealing with the advisability of establishing a Federal Reserve Bank in Richmond, Virginia.

In reply, I beg to say that I shall look out for the same and see that they are properly presented to the Committee upon its return.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

Mr. George C. Gregory,  
Richmond, Virginia.

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Richmond, Va. Feb. 13, 1914.



Mr. M. C. Elliott, Secretary,  
Reserve Bank Organization Committee,  
Treasury Department,  
Washington, D. C.

ANSWERED  
FEB 14 1914  
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Dear Sir:

I am forwarding to you today by express two boxes containing the following:

- 2 files of letters endorsing Richmond,
- 1 file with list of firms and individuals endorsing Richmond, and banks having accounts in Richmond,
- 1 box of postals voting for Richmond and other places,
- 1 box of slips endorsing Richmond for first place.

I have been advised by Mr. John Kerr Branch to forward these at once as you will probably want to have them tabulated before the Committee returns to Washington.

Our brief with maps and tabulated statements will be filed next Monday.

Yours very truly,

Ex. Secy.

GCG/s.

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Richmond, Va. Feb. 17th, 1914.

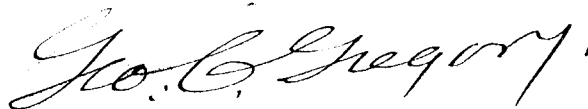
M. C. Elliott, Esq., Secy.,  
Federal Reserve Bank Organization Committee,  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Milton:

Enclosed find resolution endorsing Richmond  
from the Merchants Association of the town of Scotland Neck,  
N. C., and several other personal and bank endorsements,  
which you will please add to the list previously sent you.

With personal regards, I am

Yours sincerely,



GCG/s.

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CLARENCE COLEMAN

Richmond, Va. Feb. 25, 1914.

Hon. James Clark McReynolds,  
Attorney-General,  
Washington, D. C.

Sir:

I am sending you under separate cover a copy of  
the brief filed by Richmond for a Federal Reserve District  
with Richmond as the location of the bank, and I will thank  
you if you will be good enough to carefully examine the same.

Respectfully yours,



Executive Secy.



DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
Forwarded FEB 28 1914  
to Treas Dept  
and the writer so informed.

January 14, 1914.

Hon. G. W. Koiner,  
Commissioner of Agriculture,  
Richmond, Va.

My dear Sir:

I have your communication of January 13th,  
transmitting copy of a resolution adopted by the  
State Board of Agriculture relative to the location  
of a reserve bank in Richmond. Your letter will be  
given careful consideration by the Committee.

Very truly yours,

Secretary.



COMMONWEALTH CLUB  
RICHMOND, VIRGINIA

AS  
Jan 16

Mr. Secretary -

Pardon the  
extra intrusion in  
Richmonds behalf,  
as per enclosed  
letter appealing to  
you by name. You  
understand our Rail  
facilities have made our  
great opportunity. Men,  
Grains, and money (Banks)  
have done the rest, cutting off, and  
cutting out Baltimore long since.

Wm. S. Mearns, Chm. E. Smith

**RICHMOND WITH THE SOUTH.**

There are at least three reasons why absurd proposal to place Virginia a federal reserve district with Maryland, West Virginia and the District of Columbia should be rejected by the organization committee.

The first is that Virginia has practically nothing in common, financially, with Maryland and the District of Columbia. Baltimore has ceased to be the jobbing center for Virginia trade; its banks no longer have close relations with those of Virginia; our dealings with that state, and with the District, are neither larger nor more intimate than with a dozen states we might name.

The second reason against such a proposal is that it would upset, and seriously upset, financial relations of long standing and great value. Virginia is a part of the South and has always acted with the South. In the vaults of Virginia banks are deposits and trust funds from every state north of the gulf; our bankers loan money for new industries in the Carolinas, in Tennessee and, to a less degree, in all the Southern states. To remove Virginia from financial union with the banks of the Carolinas would be to work a hardship not only to Virginia financial institutions, but to our friends and business associates in neighboring states. The latter have made it plain that they want union with Virginia, rather than with the states of the Cotton Belt. In the face of this we cannot conceive of action by the organization committee which will be in direct conflict with its announced purpose of observing, in the federal reserve districts, the existing channels of trade and communication.

The third reason against such a proposal is that it will mean the beginning of the end of Southern financial solidarity. Upon this point we must speak plainly. Through fifty years of effort, and often in the face of obstacles almost insurmountable, the South has built up the waste places and has regained its financial standing. With no help from the North and with no encouragement except from our own people, we have contended against the domination of the Northern financial centers and have won virtual independence. Instead of being a financial waif, the South has become self-sustaining, self-dependent. And, in so doing, the classes of the South have learned to stand together, to rely upon one another and to aid in those undertakings which are common to us all. No section of the country is more united, industrially, socially, economically; no section of the country offers as little cause for partition to meet the demands of Northern capitalists who want to dominate the new system even as they controlled the old.

When it was first suggested that Richmond was the logical site for a federal reserve bank, we expressed the opinion that our claims were certain to be given just consideration by a man like Secretary McAdoo. We have not changed that opinion. We do not and cannot believe that he, a Southern-born man, will be party to an effort to destroy the financial solidarity of the South and to annex Virginia to Maryland!



*Commonwealth of Virginia*  
*Department of Agriculture and Immigration*  
*G. W. Hooper, Commissioner*

*Richmond* January 13, 1914. w

Hon. D. F. Houston,  
Secretary of Agriculture,  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:-

I give you below resolution adopted by the State Board of Agriculture:-

"RESOLVED: By the State Board of Agriculture of Virginia that the Commissioner of Agriculture be requested to send this resolution to Hon. D. F. Houston, Secretary of Agriculture, Washington, D. C. and earnestly request his influence to locate one of the Federal Reserve Banks in the City of Richmond, Va. Believing it the most important city in finance, trade and population, in geographical location and railroad facilities, connecting with all points in this region. We believe that this bank located in Richmond will be convenient to the largest number of farmers in Virginia, West Virginia, North and South Carolina, eastern Tennessee, southern Georgia and Florida points. It would be gratifying to the farmers, the wealth producers of Virginia, to see this Federal Reserve Bank located in Richmond."

Yours very truly,

*G. W. Hooper*  
Commissioner.

*B. D. Adams*

President, Board of Agriculture.



WM HODGES MANN  
GOVERNOR  
BEN. P. OWEN, JR.  
PRIVATE SECRETARY  
RIVES B. HARDY  
ASST. SECRETARY

Commonwealth of Virginia

GOVERNOR'S OFFICE

RICHMOND

January 3rd, 1914.

Oliver J. Sands, Esq.,

Richmond, Virginia.

Dear Mr. Sands:

I am not only willing but anxious to do what I can to have Richmond named as the place for a reserve bank, and will thank you to give me a list of the states which will naturally be grouped with Virginia to constitute a Region. If you deem it wise, I will write to the governors of these states, requesting co-operation, and to our Senators asking them to see the Senators from the states named. I have no hesitation in writing Governor Blease as he was the first governor to agree to issue a proclamation, at my request, calling on the citizens of South Carolina to contribute to a statue of General Jackson. I have tried to get you over the 'phone but the line was busy every time. Please answer by bearer.

Very truly yours,

*Wm. Hodges Mann*  
Governor.

*Gregory  
Please refer  
& talk with East.*



# COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA

STATE CORPORATION COMMISSION

BANKING DIVISION

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RICHMOND Jan. 12th, 1914

Form 25

Hon. William G. McAdoo,  
Secretary of the Treasury,  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:-

Having occupied the position of Chief Examiner of Banks for Virginia since the creation of the ~~Banking Department of the State Corporation Commission~~, I feel that I am qualified to express an opinion as to the condition of the State banks throughout Virginia, and also as to the manner in which the banks of Richmond have handled the vast volume of business for not only our Virginia banks, but also a very large number of banks in both North and South Carolina and Georgia. I say without hesitation that the Richmond banks have measured up to the requirements of these banks in every respect, and have handled this business in a most satisfactory manner.

I feel that the City of Richmond is, from a geographical and commercial standpoint, as well as from its close affiliation with and its intimate acquaintanceship with the needs and conditions of our Southern States, unquestionably the most logical point for the establishment of a Federal Reserve Bank to handle the business of our Southern States.

I feel that I cannot too strongly urge upon you the natural fitness of Richmond in this connection, and I very sincerely hope that it will be the pleasure of your Committee to name the City of Richmond as one of the places for the establishment of a Federal Reserve Bank.

Very respectfully,

*C. C. Barsdale*  
Chief Examiner

CCB-W

THE COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA  
GOVERNOR'S OFFICE  
STATE CAPITOL, RICHMOND

January Sixth,  
Nineteen Hundred and Fourteen.



*W. G. McAdoo*

Hon. W. G. McAdoo,  
Secretary of the Treasury,  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

I trust a word for Richmond, Virginia, as a suitable location for a Regional Bank, will be carefully considered. Virginia stands at the gateway of the South, and is a leader in Southern sentiment and Southern enterprise. She presents her capital city as in every way suitable for the institution sought. In banking capital, reserve and resources, Virginia is the strongest Southern state and Richmond the strongest Southern city. Her transportation and mail facilities furnished by the Southern; Seaboard; Richmond, Fredericksburg & Potomac; Norfolk and Western, and Chesapeake and Ohio and Atlantic Coast Line railroads, are unsurpassed and put the city within a night's ride of practically every part of the Region of which Virginia will probably form a part.

Virginia is in close touch with North Carolina, South

## II.

Carolina, and large parts of West Virginia, Tennessee and Kentucky. Her business men understand the needs of the producers of peanuts and the producers and manufacturers of cotton and tobacco, crops not grown to any extent north of Virginia, and which from their value and importance must be given a prominent place in any plan for furnishing banking facilities to the sections in which they are produced. The State is taking a prominent and successful part in the great agricultural progressive movement which is carrying to and demonstrating to the farmers on their farms scientific and intensive methods of agriculture, which with about the same labor are multiplying the productive capacity of our lands, increasing their fertility and which will if properly financed solve the problem of the high cost of living, and make this country the largest exporter of food stuffs in the world. She is now pushing forward the hog, cattle and sheep industry to which the State and the South are admirably adapted. She and the Southern states are to a wonderful extent developing manufacturies of all kind and everywhere enthusiastic people are standing for and achieving steady, continuous and substantial progress.

Possessing these advantages, if not in advance, certain-

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ly abreast of any other state, Virginia asks for a Regional bank which it promises shall in efficiency of management in the interest of the people be second to none in the country.

Very respectfully,

*Wm. Hodges Murray*  
Governor.



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Mr. Wm. G. Mc Adoo,  
Sect. & Treas/  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

We trust you will permit us to impose upon your time for a moment in order that we may urge upon you the importance and wisdom of the city of Richmond as the point for the location of one of the regional reserve banks. All the men of this firm are graduates from the travelling salesman's class and have travelled extensively in the south.

We all know that Richmond is looked up to as the site of conservatism and the base of large financial transactions. Also know that Richmond is geographically located so as to offer greater facilities and quicker dispatch than any of the sister cities in the south.

We trust that you will give our city consideration which it deserves and ere long we will be able to applaud your good judgment in using your influence to have the bank located at our point.

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Mr/ John Skelton Williams,  
Ass't. Sect.

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*Judge Elliott*

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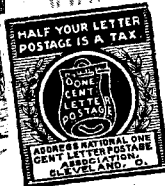


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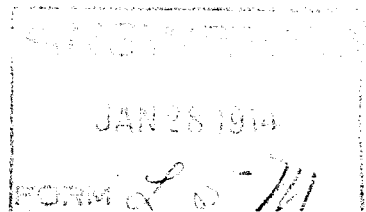
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1324 - 1330 E. FRANKLIN ST.  
Richmond, Va.



*Richmond, Va.* Jan. 27, 1914

*LS*



Hon. Wm. G. McAdoo,  
Washington, D. C.  
Honorable Sir:-

We feel that it is unnecessary to write you this letter as we are sure the Committee who appeared before you in Washington not long ago made it clear that Richmond was the logical place for one of the Federal Reserve Banks.

Would like to say in passing, that we are deeply interested in this proposition, at the same time we are not worrying as we know the matter is in good hands.

Yours very truly,  
Cottrell Saddlery Co., Inc.

P/K

By-



ALBERT C. DIGGS, PRESIDENT  
JOHN R. BEADLES, VICE-PRESIDENT  
A. PERCY DIGGS, SECY AND TREAS.

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TELEPHONE  
CONNECTIONS

Form *AS*

Mr. D. F. Houston, Secy.,  
U. S. Dept. of Agr.,  
Washington, D.C.

Dear Sir:

We earnestly wish to have one of the Federal Reserve Banks located in this City, as we firmly believe it will be very helpful to all farmers and agricultural interest generally through out Virginia and the other Southern States.

We enclose herewith pamphlet issued from our Chamber of Commerce, to which we would ask your careful attention, and we will be very glad indeed to know that you favor, recommend, and use your influence to have one of these Reserve Banks located in Richmond.

Hoping to have a favorable reply from you, we remain.

Respectfully,

*Diggs & Beadles*

ANSWERED  
ED/MC. JAN 12 1914  
*[Signature]*  
FORM

MANN C. EICHEL.

EDWIN A. EICHEL.

CONTRACTS SUBJECT TO STRIKES, ACCIDENTS OR CAUSES BEYOND OUR CONTROL.  
QUOTATIONS SUBJECT TO CHANGE WITHOUT NOTICE.

# EICHEL & COMPANY,

MANUFACTURERS' AGENTS

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Jan. 21/1914.

SELLING AGENTS

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UNION BRASS & METAL MFG. CO.

PLUMBERS' BRASS GOODS.

Hon. Wm. G. McAdoo,  
Secretary of the Treasury,  
Washington, D. C.

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Dear Sir:-

We beg to bring to your earnest consideration  
the locating of a Federal Reserve Bank at RICHMOND, VA.

RICHMOND is directly interested in the  
development of the South, and its ideal geographical  
location makes it the best possible point for proper  
banking facilities for the Southeastern States.

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sent money into North and South Carolina, Georgia, and  
Florida, to upbuild this territory. It is in fact the  
only Southern City which has more money than it can use  
locally.

RICHMOND bankers are familiar with securities in  
the South, and are therefore in a better position than any  
Northern City to help upbuild the Southern territory.

Thanking you in advance for your carefully  
consideration of this matter, we are,

Yours truly,

EICHEL & COMPANY,

By



ANSWERED  
JAN 28 1914  
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THOMAS F. JEFFRESS,  
MUTUAL BUILDING,  
RICHMOND, VIRGINIA.

Jan. 31, 1914.

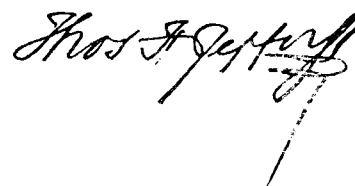
Oliver J. Sands, Esq., Chairman,  
Executive Committee,  
Richmond, Virginia.

Dear Sir:

In compliance with your request of the 28th, that I give you my reasons for thinking that Richmond is the logical location for a Federal Reserve Bank to serve the South Atlantic States, I beg to say that my experience of some thirty odd years as a manufacturer in Richmond has led to the conclusion that there are few, if any, cities in the entire south so favored in transportation and banking facilities as Richmond, which is a railroad center in direct and quick connection with the entire Seaboard south and its several lines to the west, is in the best position to handle the reserve banking business of the South Atlantic States, as well as some of those to the west of us, as certainly West Virginia and probably Tennessee.

These facts would seem to be proven by our present large banking connections south, in the development of which it is apparent Richmond is taking a very active and comprehensive part.

Yours very truly,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Thomas F. Jeffress". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned below the typed name "Yours very truly,". The signature is somewhat stylized and includes a long, thin vertical stroke extending downwards from the bottom of the name.



# Johnston Box Co., Inc.

MANUFACTURERS OF  
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*Venable and 25th Streets,*

*Richmond, Va.,  
Jan. 17th, 1914.*

Hon. Jno. Skelton Williams.

Ass't. Sec'y. of the Treasury.

Washington, D.C.

Form *LS*

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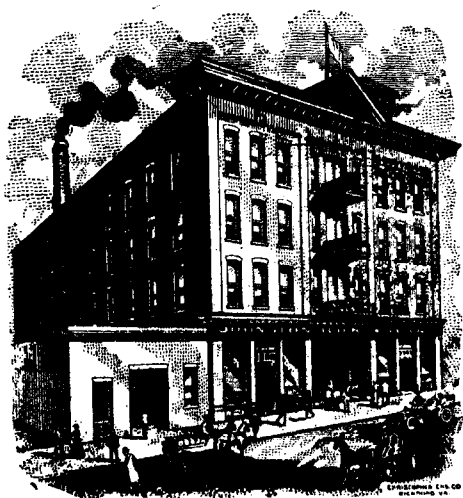
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Yours very truly,

JOHNSTON BOX CO., INC.

*William Johnston*  
PRES.

ANSWERED  
JAN 20 1914  
*DLR*  
*RS*  
FORM



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Form 15

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ANSWERED  
JAN 21 1914  
FORM 15-720 M



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Mr. O. J. Sands,  
Chairman Executive Committee,  
% American Nat. Bank, C I T Y.

Dear Sir:-

We feel that it is but right and proper that we should let you know with what satisfaction we note the efforts made by your Committee to secure for the South a Federal Reserve Bank at RICHMOND.


We have for the past twenty-five years, as Jobbers, catered to the trade, covering the territory in which this Zone is laid off, and having in this way come in direct contact with the Southern Trade, we know that RICHMOND is the logical point for this Bank, and that the needs of the Commercial, as well as the Agricultural interest in that section, will be best served in its entirety by the location of this Bank here.

RICHMOND is beyond doubt the point the majority of this territory have come to for their financial needs in the past, and will naturally look to us for the future.

Respectfully Yours,

IHK/B.

CC to Mr. Calander for his information.

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "James M. Brown". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial "J" and a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

January 12, 1914.

Captain John Lamb,  
2700 Hanover Avenue,  
Richmond, Va.

Dear Captain Lamb:

I have just received your letter of January 10, 1914, and thank you for the kind expressions contained therein. I shall take pleasure in presenting to the Secretary the papers which you enclosed in reference to securing one of the Federal Reserve Banks for the City of Richmond.

With best wishes, I am,

Very truly yours,

-:COPY:-

2700 Hanover Ave.,  
Richmond, Va.,  
July 10, 1914.

Dr. B. T. Calloway,

My dear Sir:

Please accept my thanks for the report of the Secretary. I have read it carefully and with deep interest. Some of the suggestions are just what several of us had in mind for some time, but were not so situated that we could even start the reforms.

The opportunity came and has been embraced. When you see the Secretary present my regards and congratulations. Also please hand him the two enclosed papers for his perusal. We of Richmond are earnestly desirous of securing one of these Federal Reserve Banks.

With best wishes,

Yours truly,

(Signed) JOHN LAMB.

ALL AGREEMENTS CONTINGENT UPON STRIKES, ACCIDENTS, DELAYS OF CARRIERS OR OTHER CAUSES BEYOND OUR CONTROL.

# DAVID M. LEA & CO.

MANUFACTURERS OF

**BOXES & PACKING CASES**

1913-23 E. MAIN ST.

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RICHMOND, VIRGINIA, Jan: 17, 1914.

My dear Sir:-

Realizing as we do the many advantages Richmond offers for the establishment of a Reserve Bank in this City, we beg to endorse the facts laid before you by the Committee of Richmond citizens and business men in the recent hearing before you.

Speaking particularly of the box and lumber industry of Richmond, about which we are more familiar than any other class of trade, the box business particularly being a barometer, so to speak, of the manufacturing and jobbing business to a great extent, show by the rapid increase in the consumption of wooden boxes that Richmond has grown in the past ten years to be recognized as the leading manufacturing and jobbing center of the South. The local consumption of the wooden box interests alone have increased over 100 per cent in the past ten years. There are over 100,000 ft. of lumber per day used in wooden boxes for shipping purposes.

We heartily endorse the other facts laid before you by our Committee, and we trust that the facts before you will enable you to clearly see the wisdom of placing a Reserve Bank in this City.

Yours very respectfully,

David M. Lea & Company.

By *[Signature]*

Hon. William G. McAdoo,

Secretary of the Treasury,

Washington, D. C.

ANSWERED  
JAN 21 1914  
FORM L5 - M.L.M.

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FORM

Hon. John Skelton Williams,

Assistant Secretary of the Treasury,

Washington, D. C.



J. JORDAN LEAKE  
A. S. BUFORD, JR.

LEAKE & BUFORD  
RICHMOND, VA.

LAW OFFICES  
TRAVELERS INSURANCE BUILDING  
PHONE, MONROE 695

*Richmond*

Jan. 15, 1918

Mr. Milton C. Elliott,  
Washington, D. C.

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Dear Mits,

You have, of course, heard of Richmond's efforts to secure one of the Federal Reserve Banks. The people here are in dead earnest and believe that their cause is a just one.

You may have an opportunity to help us and we want you to do it. To borrow from a distinguished sailor and paraphrase, Richmond expects every man, including erstwhile citizens, to do his duty. Can't we count on you?

I hope you are enjoying being a Washingtonian and that the world is treating you kindly. You should come down to see us sometime. Since you were here last I have procured and raised to good size one of the finest little namesakes you ever saw.

With best wishes, I am

Very sincerely yours,

*A. S. Buford, Jr.*

A. W. LEE, President.

CHAS. P. LEE, Sec'y and Treas.

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SEND ALL MAIL TO RICHMOND, VA.

OFFICE: 108 S. THIRTEENTH STREET

PHONE, MADISON 3411-J.

FACTORY AND WAREHOUSES:

28TH AND CARY STREETS,

RICHMOND, VA.

SOUTHERN BRANCH: NORFOLK, VA.

*Richmond, Va., Jan. 19, 1914.*

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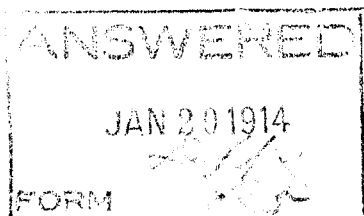
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We earnestly hope that your Committee will decide upon Richmond, Va. as the location for one of the Regional Reserve Banks.



Yours truly,

A. S. Lee & Sons Company,

By *Chas. Lee*

CPL-B

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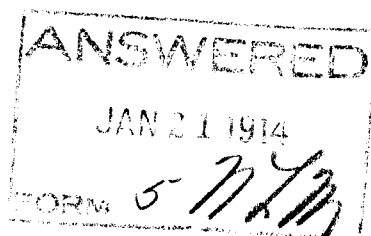
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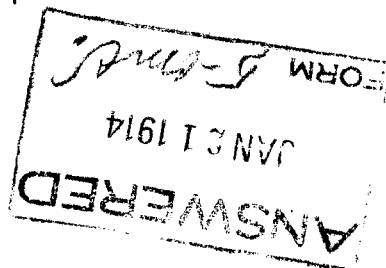
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# NIGHT LETTER

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BELVIDERE BROOKS, GENERAL MANAGER

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SENATOR ROBT L OWEN

WASHINGTON DC

RICHMOND DESIRES FEDERAL RESERVE BANK FOR THE TOBACCO AND COTTON GROWING STATES OF THE SOUTH ATLANTIC SEABOARD LOGICALLY SITUATED IN THE DIRECT LINE OF THE BANKING AND COMMERCIAL BUSINESS OF THIS SECTION AND AT THE JUNCTION OF SIX TRUNK LINES WE SOLICIT YOUR INFLUENCE AND ADVICE

ANSWERED

JAN 7 1914

THOS B MCADAMS

FOR COMMITTEE

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February 24, 1914.

My dear Mr. Secretary:

I have just received a long distance message from the Chairman of the Committee of Richmond asking if the Reserve Bank Organization Committee will allow a representative from Richmond to present in person to the Committee additional exhibits on behalf of Richmond as a Federal Reserve city. I think that Major Deoley has been selected and will desire to make an oral statement with reference to these exhibits if the Committee will allow them from twenty minutes to half an hour for this purpose.

I promised to phone the Chairman your decision, so will be glad if you will let me know if you can hear Major Deoley on Wednesday or Thursday, at any hour that will suit your convenience.

Respectfully,

Hon. William G. McAdoo,  
Secretary of the Treasury.



GEORGE AINSLIE, MAYOR

OFFICE OF  
**The Mayor**  
**The City Hall**  
RICHMOND, VA.

Jan. 31st, 1914.

Mr. Oliver J. Sands,  
President American National Bank,  
Richmond, Va.

My dear Mr. Sands:-

I think that Richmond should be selected by the Organization Committee as the proper location for a Federal Reserve Bank to serve the South Atlantic States, because tested by all the conditions which the Committee has laid down as controlling the selection of locations she would seem to have a higher average than any other city in her natural territory.

Richmond's geographical location and fine transportation facilities enable her to transact business all over this territory without the loss of a banking day. That she is the natural banking location for the Southern banks is evidenced by her banks having nearly thirteen hundred of such accounts in which the deposits amount to more than thirteen million dollars, and at one time last year her loans to such banks totalled, roundly, seven millions. The national bank capital and deposits of Virginia largely exceed those of any Southern state, and three-fifths of such capital and one-half of such deposits are in Richmond.

The present manufacturing and jobbing business of Richmond, exceeding one hundred and eighty millions annually, is most largely transacted in this territory, and the business transacted there, being the largest of any city in the territory, is steadily increasing. Richmond is the choice of an overwhelming majority of the bankers and merchants in this territory who frankly state that their choice is based upon their judgment of what will best protect their own interests, and preserve the present established trend of business and not disrupt it.

Very truly yours,

*George Ainslie*  
MAYOR.

W. S. McNEILL  
E. W. HUDGINS  
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**McNEILL, HUDGINS & OZLIN**  
ATTORNEYS AND COUNSELORS AT LAW  
PHONE MADISON 7699

OFFICE :  
201 AMER. NAT. BANK  
BLDG., RICHMOND, VA.  
AND  
CHASE CITY, VA.  
KENBRIDGE, VA.

Richmond, Va., Feb. 2, 1914.

Mr. Oliver J. Sands,  
American National Bank,  
Richmond, Virginia.

Dear Sir:-

Replying to your favor of Jan. 28th, I beg to say that I imagine the purely business reasons for regarding Richmond as a logical location for a Federal Reserve Bank to serve the South Atlantic States have been adequately presented.

It occurs to me as a lawyer that it is also of importance to note that we have in Richmond every kind of Court except the Supreme Court of U. S. That is to say, we have all of the ordinary state courts from the Police Court to the Supreme Court of Appeals, and we have the District, and U. S. Circuit Court of Appeals,- all sitting regularly in this city. This means that practically every kind of legal business is handled in Richmond.

I trust that you too will regard this as of some consequence.

WSMcN-BC

Yours very truly,

*W. S. McNeill*



January 7, 1914.

My dear Governor Mann:

I have your favor of the 6th instant,  
and note what you say concerning the suitability  
of Richmond, Virginia, for the location of a  
regional reserve bank. You may be sure that  
the Committee will give the most careful con-  
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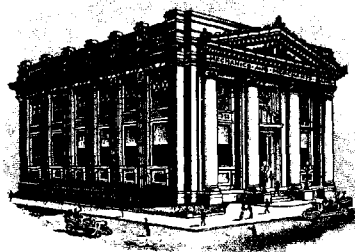
With kindest regards, I am,

Sincerely yours,

Hon. William H. Mann,  
Governor of Virginia,  
Richmond, Va.

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RICHMOND, VA.      **Jan'y. 30th 1914.**

Mr. Oliver J. Sands,  
Chairman Executive Committee,  
Richmond, Va.

Dear Sir:

I congratulate your Committee on the able campaign they are making for the establishment of a Federal Reserve Bank in Richmond to serve the South Atlantic States.

Considering how the trade and banking facilities of Richmond have grown and spread during the last ten years, especially in the Carolinas, Tennessee, Georgia and West Virginia, how the Richmond banks have steadily increased their vast accommodations to the banks, merchants and planters throughout these States, and how their citizens and business men recognize that their interests and business are better understood by the people of Richmond than they are by the people further North and can thus be better cared for by a Federal Reserve Bank located at Richmond; it does seem to me that your efforts in bringing these facts to the attention of the Organization Committee at Washington should result in the location of one of the banks in Richmond.

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Sincerely hoping that your efforts will be successful,  
I am.

Yours very truly,

*A. L. Adamson*

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# MEDICAL COLLEGE OF VIRGINIA

MEDICAL COLLEGE OF VIRGINIA, 1838  
UNIVERSITY COLLEGE OF MEDICINE, 1893  
CONSOLIDATED 1913

Form 25

RICHMOND, VA. Jan. 6, 1914.

ANSWERED  
JAN 23 1914  
J.M.C.  
FORM 5

Hon. David F. Houston,  
Secretary of Agriculture,  
Washington, D. C.

My dear Dr. Houston:-

I trust that the claims of Richmond for a Federal Reserve Bank will be favorably considered by you and your associates. The advantages of this city as a trade and banking center will be set before you no doubt by those who are intimately acquainted with the facts, and there is no need for me to state them. The progress of Richmond in a financial way has been truly surprising within the last decade, and I believe that you will best serve the interests of the South Atlantic States by placing the Federal Reserve Bank in this city.

With sincere personal regards to you, I am

Very truly yours,

*S. C. Mitchell*

SCM/IW.

*Richmond*  
**Medical Society of Virginia**

**FORTY-FIFTH ANNUAL SESSION**

WASHINGTON, D. C., OCTOBER 27-30, 1914

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Office of the Clerk of the Executive Council

RICHMOND, VA.

At a meeting of the Executive Council of the

Medical Society of Virginia held in Richmond, Va. on Janu-  
ary 10th, <sup>1914</sup> the following was unanimously adopted:

WHEREAS: The Executive Council of the Medical Society of Virginia feels that the future development and prosperity of the State of Va. and of the South would be greatly promoted by the presence of a Federal Reserve Bank in the Capital of Virginia, and,

WHEREAS: It believes that the location of Richmond and its long established trade relations with the South make it the most desirable and logical place for the establishment of such a bank; Therefore, Be it

Resolved, That the Executive Council of the Medical Society Virginia fully concurs in the efforts of the various financial, commercial, and professional associations of the State to secure the establishment of one of the Federal Reserve Banks in the City of Richmond.

*Chas. V. Carrington* Chairman  
*A. L. Gray* Clerk

At a meeting of the Richmond Academy of  
Medicine & Surgery held January 20/14  
the following Resolution was offered &  
unanimously passed —

RESOLVED:-

That the Richmond Academy of Medicine and Surgery will co-operate with the various financial, commercial and professional bodies of this City in their efforts to secure the designation of Richmond as one of the locations for a Federal Reserve Bank, believing that its banking capital and surplus, its long established trade relations with the people of the South-Atlantic States, with whom they have so much in common, and its geographical position make it the natural and logical point where such a bank should be established.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED:-

That the members of this Association use their influence to induce the two Senators from this State and all the Representatives in Congress to exert themselves to the utmost to the end that Richmond may secure one of said banks.

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Chas. W. Kays President

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EXECUTIVE OFFICE & FACTORY  
STOCKTON STREET 6<sup>TH</sup> TO 7<sup>TH</sup>

RICHMOND, VA., Jan. 20, 1914.

Hon. Wno. Skelton Williams,  
Asst. Secretary of the Treasury,  
Washington, D. C.

FORM 25

Dear Sir:

We beg leave to say that along with many other manufacturers and jobbers of this City, we are greatly interested in the effort now being made to secure the location at Richmond of one of the Federal Regional Reserve Banks.

Our acquaintance with the trade in Virginia and to the south of us, particularly in the Carolinas, leads us to the conclusion, as it does other observers, that the interests of that section, financially and in all commercial lines, are more closely allied and interlaced with Richmond than any other City.

That these relations between Richmond and its surrounding territory have grown up naturally, for many good reasons with which you are of course familiar, and it would be unfortunate at this time to interfere with this natural trend of trade by placing both Richmond and her territory amid new financial surroundings.

We beg leave therefore to express the hope that one of these Reserve Banks may be located here and remain. With much respect

Yours very truly,

MILLER MANUFACTURING CO., INC.

ANSWERED  
JAN 23 1914  
FORM 25

*J. Clifford Miller*  
President.

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We beg leave therefore to express the hope that one of these Reserve Banks may be located here, and that you will use your influence to that end.

Yours very truly,

MILLER MANUFACTURING CO., INC.

*J. Clifford Miller*  
President.  
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RICHMOND, VA., Jan. 20, 1914.

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Hon. David F. Houston,  
Secretary of Agriculture,  
Washington, D. C.

Form *LS*

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MILLER MANUFACTURING CO., INC.

ANSWERED  
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FORM

*J. Clifford Miller*  
President.



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Yours very truly,

MILLER MANUFACTURING CO., INC.

ANSWERED  
JAN 21 1914  
*NLM*

*J. Clifford Miller*  
President

Whereas Virginia was the first to work out the principle of federalism, <sup>and</sup> thus ~~to~~ demonstrate that the hitherto conflicting principles of individual effort and general efficiency were not antagonistic,

And whereas, the first English colony in America settled in Virginia, an event of greater importance, in the opinion of James Bryce, than the founding of Carthage or Rome,

And whereas, Virginia was the arena on which the independence of the colonies was decided,

And whereas, Virginia generously ceded to the Union the territory now embraced in the States of Indiana, Ohio, Illinois, Wisconsin, and Michigan,

And whereas in every epoch of American history Virginia has played an influential and honorable part,

And whereas Richmond was the city selected by the Southern States as the capitol of the Confederacy,

And whereas Richmond is today a strong commercial center for a large and important territory,

And whereas statistics show that the capital and surplus of the National Banks of Richmond exceed those of any city in the South Atlantic States,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED--

By the Ministerial Union, composed of all the ministers of the various denominations in the City of Richmond:

First: That we deem it eminently wise and fitting that Richmond should apply for one of the Federal Reserve Banks;

Second: That we respectfully and earnestly urge Secretary McAdoo and Secretary Houston to designate Richmond as the city for the location of said bank.

*J. J. Scherer Jr.*  
*Secretary.*

ROBERT E. SCOTT  
H. G. BUCHANAN  
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HGB.

Jan. 12, 1914.

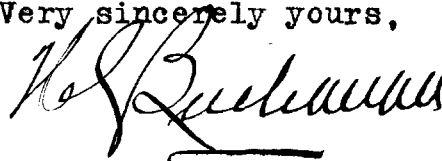
Julien H. Hill, Esq.,  
City.

My dear Julien:-

The enclosed communications explain themselves.

I regret exceedingly that Colonel Williams could not go to Columbia but hope his talk with Mr. Parker will produce good results.

Very sincerely yours,



HGB KB

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March <sup>16</sup> 13th, 1914.

Sir:

On behalf of the Organization Committee,  
I beg to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of  
March 11th, in support of the claims of Richmond  
as the location for a Federal Reserve Bank and to  
assure you that the same will be so filed as to  
be available for the careful consideration of the  
Committee in determining these questions.

Respectfully,

Secretary,  
Reserve Bank Organization Committee.

Mr. Hill Montague,  
House of Delegates,  
Richmond, Virginia.



# COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA

HOUSE OF DELEGATES RECEIVED

RICHMOND. MAR 13 1914

HILL MONTAGUE  
CITY OF RICHMOND  
RICHMOND, VA.

Res. Bank Org. Committee

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To the Honorable Committee on Organization  
of Federal Reserve Banks,  
Washington, D. C.

Gentlemen:

I have heard that your committee looks with favor upon the selection of Richmond as the place for one of the Federal Reserve Banks under the new Currency Act.

I am taking the liberty of writing to say that I earnestly hope that this is true.

I was present in Washington at the hearing given to Richmond, as a member of the joint committee from the House of Delegates and Senate of the General Assembly of Virginia. I do feel that both commercially and historically Richmond is entitled to have most careful consideration at your hands in this matter, and I believe will have such consideration. The commercial facts have been laid before you. I understand that you do not deem it proper to deal with the question from either a historical or sentimental point of view, but I beg leave to say that I am persuaded that the people of the South can never lose sight of this when they consider Richmond.

As a further reason for taking the liberty of writing you at this late day, I may also add that I have been closely engaged in the Virginia General Assembly since Jan. 14th. I would further mention that I had the honor to be one of the Democratic Presidential Electors from Virginia at the last presidential election, and as such to have cast my vote for President Wilson.

Respectfully yours,

*Hill Montague*

ANSWERED  
MAR 17 1914

*[Handwritten signature]*



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Jan. 2, 1914.

Hon. Jno. Skelton Williams,  
Washington,  
D. C.

My dear Sir:

I beg to advise that at a meeting of the membership of the Business Men's Club, after considering Richmond's location, banking and railroad facilities, we unanimously decided to present our claims to the National Committee and ask that a Federal Reserve Bank be located in Richmond, and we trust you will use your influence and cooperate with our Committee in having a Regional Reserve Bank located in Richmond.

Counting upon your assistance and wishing you a very prosperous and happy New Year, we beg to remain

Very truly yours,

BUSINESS MEN'S CLUB,

*C. P. Walford, Jr.*  
Secretary.

CPW/B.

Form 11 (14)  
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to Hon David H Houston  
"ind sir I am asking you  
to join Richmond Va with  
the Fedral Reserve Bank. as  
Richmond is a Business Place  
for our organization we are  
doing good Business. there fo  
hoping you will favor us with  
your influence.

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Richmond, Va., January 8th, 1914.

Hon. David F. Houston,  
Secretary of Agriculture,  
Washington, D. C.

My dear Dr. Houston:

I am writing you in regard to the effort which is now being made by the people of Richmond to have one of the Regional Banks established here. I am interested in this matter, because it so happens that for many years I have had to look after the business of my family and so have had some occasion to come into touch with matters of this nature.

I will not go into detail as to the specific reasons why Richmond seems an especially favorable point for the establishment of one of these banks; but, so far as I am able to judge, it does seem to be a pivotal point, for the reason it is so closely in touch with the financial interests to the South of us, as well as nearly related to Washington and the centres to the North.

You may be somewhat surprised that a woman should have this matter at all at heart, but you are philosopher enough to see that matters of this kind are making increasing appeal to women, and I am satisfied that when the far-sighted plans which the present Administration has in view in connection with Rural Banking, go into effect, you will find the work you are endeavoring *to do* for the farmers' wives will cause them, along with their men folks, to take an interest in the matter of better credit facilities in our country communities.



You were so kind  
in feeling an interest in the movement for the  
Co-Ordinate College for the women of this State,  
which is so close to my heart, that I am taking  
the liberty of sending this letter about this  
second matter of such vital moment to this com-  
munity.

Cordially yours,

*Mary C. B. Mumford*

January 12, 1914.

Mrs. Mary C. B. Mumford,  
Richmond, Virginia.

Dear Mrs. Mumford:

I have your letter expressing your interest in Richmond as the location for a National Reserve Bank. We have a difficult question to decide and shall do our best to carry out the intention of the Act. I shall file your letter for consideration.

Sincerely yours,

J. C. DREWRY

W. S. DREWRY

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**RICHMOND, VA. January 31, 1914.**

Mr. Oliver J. Sands,  
 The American National Bank,  
 C I T Y.

Dear Mr. Sands:-

I am in receipt of your favor of the 28th instant requesting that I send you a letter giving the reasons why I think Richmond the logical location for a Federal Reserve Bank to serve the South Atlantic States.

In the first place, Richmond is one of the principal, in fact, the real financial center of the South. It is the old City of the Confederacy and therefore it attracts to this City more people than any other southern city.

In the second place, I know from personal experience that the majority of the cities in North and South Carolina as well as many cities and country sections in Georgia, Florida, Tennessee, Kentucky, and West Virginia look upon Richmond as their financial center. And from many other standpoints Richmond is entitled to this Reserve Bank.

As General Agent of the Mutual Benefit Life Insurance Company, Newark, N. J. we handle over \$500,000 per year - a great part of this coming from North and South Carolina, Tennessee, West Virginia and Kentucky. We charge these people exchange in sending their personal checks, but if we had this Reserve Bank in Richmond they would be relieved of this expense. I could give you many other reasons but pressure of business prevents, however, I feel with all my heart and business experience that Richmond is entitled to this Bank, and I feel sure that the secretary and treasurer who have this matter under consideration will see the necessity of Richmond having this bank.

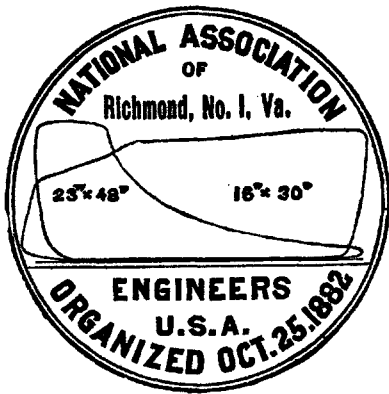
If I can assist you or the others in any way, I will be glad to do so.

WSD/FJ

Very truly yours,

*W. S. Drewry*  
*Per M. H.*

PREAMBLE TO CONSTITUTION.—This Association shall at no time be used for the furtherance of strikes, or in any way interfering between its members and their employers in regard to wages, recognizing the identity of interest between employer and employee; not countenancing any project or enterprise that will interfere with perfect harmony between them; neither shall it be used for political or religious purposes.



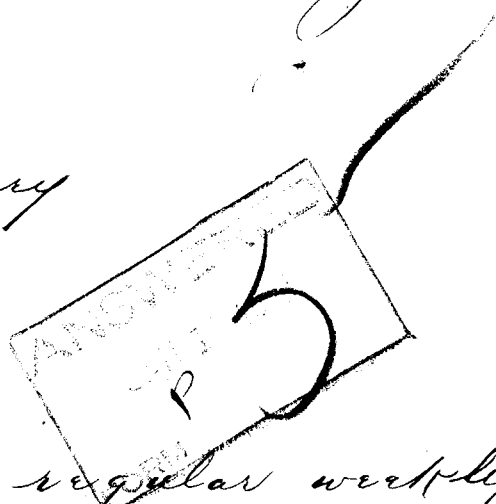
RICHMOND ASSOCIATION, NO. 1 OF VIRGINIA,  
NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF STATIONARY ENGINEERS.

*A. R. Thompson*  
Corresponding Secretary.

Richmond, Va., *Jan. 15<sup>th</sup>* 1913

*Mr. McAdoo*  
*Dircty of the Treasury*  
*Washington D. C.*

*Dear Sir:*



*At the regular weekly meeting of the Richmond Association #1 N. A. S. E. it has been moved that this Association heartily endorse the efforts of various banking and business associations of Richmond, Va; and the adjoining States to secure the location of a regional bank in the city of Richmond.*

*Very Truly Yours*  
*A. R. Thompson*  
*Corres. Secy.*

WM.H.PALMER, PRESIDENT.

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JOHN S.ELLETT, VICE PRESIDENT.

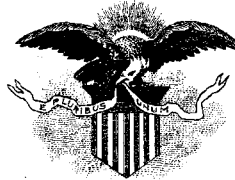
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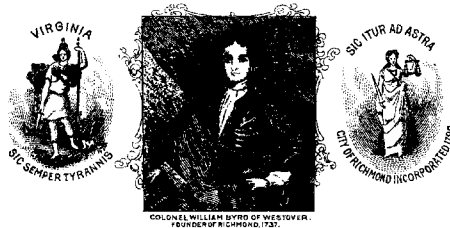
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CAPITAL \$ 1,000,000.

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# NATIONAL STATE AND CITY BANK



RICHMOND, VIRGINIA,

Jan. 13, 1914.

John Skelton Williams, Esq.,

Washington, D. C.

Form *RS*

My dear Sir:

I hope you can find it consistent with your position to aid your townsmen in their effort to have a Regional Bank established in Richmond. All of the reasons that I can present to you are fully known to you, and I therefore confine my letter to the simple request for your aid.

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Yours very truly,

*W. H. Palmer*  
President.

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WM.H.PALMER, PRESIDENT.  
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# NATIONAL STATE AND CITY BANK



RICHMOND, VIRGINIA,

January 30, 1914.

Oliver J. Sands, Esq.,  
Chairman Executive Committee,  
C i t y.

Dear Sir:

In answer to your letter of Jan. 28 asking for any suggestions as to why Richmond is a proper place for a Regional Bank, only one subject occurs to me as omitted in the presentation so far, and that is the safety to the funds and prompt service to the region in the event of war.

It has been demonstrated that, although the City is on tide-water, it is easily defended from all directions. This is a matter of the first importance. While from time to time it has been proposed to defend the mouth of the Chesapeake, and Washington and Baltimore, it has never been done. Richmond has natural defences without any expenditure.

Very respectfully,

WHP-P

President.

# WESTERN UNION TELEGRAM



THEO. N. VAIL, PRESIDENT

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WHEN YOU APPEAR BEFORE THE ORGANIZATION COMMITTEE IF IT WILL  
NOT IMPERIL BOSTONS POSITION WE WOULD APPRECIATE A SUGGESTION  
FROM YOU THAT RICHMOND IS THE LOGICAL PLACE FOR A RESERVE  
BANK IN THE SOUTH AS WE ARE TO THE SOUTH WHAT  
YOU ARE TO ENTIRE NEWENGLAND VIZ WE UNDERSTAND LOCAL  
CONDITIONS IN OUR RESPECTIVE SECTIONS  
STATE AND CITY BANK.

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RICHMOND Va. Jan 15 1914

Secretary McAdoo,

Washington, D.C.

Please do everything possible to secure regional bank for Richmond

J Garnett Nelson, M.D.

1244pm



WILLIAM C. NOLAND

HENRY E. BASKERVILL

**NOLAND & BASKERVILL**

**ARCHITECTS**

914 TRAVELERS BUILDING

RICHMOND, VA.

February 3, 1914.

Mr. Oliver J. Sands,  
American National Bank,  
Richmond, Va.

Dear Sir:-

In regard to Richmond as the proper location for a Federal Reserve Bank, it seems to me that this City has so many advantages that make her the logical point that it is only necessary to get the facts properly presented. Among others I would mention the following:

The fact that the amount of her national bank deposits is greater than that of any City of the South Atlantic States, and, therefore, gives her a predominating financial influence in this region.

The fact that Richmond has such location and railroad facilities that she is already the banking center for a great portion of the territory that will be attached to the proposed bank.

The fact that, while she occupied this position with regard to the region to the South and West of her, she is within a few hours run of the two principal cities to the North, with which all regional reserve banks will have to communicate constantly. These two cities are Washington and New York. Washington, the seat of the central Reserve Board, the headquarters of the entire currency system of the nation, is within less than three hours of Richmond. New York, the chief commercial and financial center of the whole country, is within eight hours.

Mr. O.J. Sands #2

The fact that Richmond is located in the northern portion of the territory that would naturally constitute the region to be served by the proposed Reserve Bank. For the trend of business of the Banks of this region and their established business affiliations are to the northward rather than to the southward. Therefore to connect them with a Reserve Bank to the south of them would not only cause an unnecessary disturbance of the established order; but would cause greater delay in the handling of business with the Central Reserve Board through the Regional Reserve Bank.

There are other points that might be mentioned; but the above seem to me to be the controlling factors that make Richmond the logical location for the Federal Reserve Bank to serve Virginia, the two Carolinas and the other states and portions of states that would naturally be grouped with them; so I shall not prolong this letter further.

With best wishes, I remain,

Very truly yours,

Dic./WCN.



A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Mr. O.J. Sands", is written above a horizontal line.

Bishop's House,  
800 Cathedral Place, Richmond, Va.

January 8th, 1914.

The Honorable

David F. Houston, Secretary of Agriculture;

WASHINGTON, D.C.

Dear Sir:-

I have been requested by a number of our leading citizens to write you and request you to do all you think you can in favor of placing a Regional Bank in the city of Richmond, Va. And I hasten to add that I comply with their request most willingly and with full conviction.

I shall not attempt to go into the financial details of the question, because not qualified, and because that work will be done by experts. I simply wish to submit my opinion most respectfully as an observer and as a student, having no direct personal interest in finance.

I was brought up in the South and educated partly in this country, partly abroad. I spent ten years in Rome as Rector of the American College and six years in Washington, D.C. as Rector of the Catholic University, and during that time, and since, the study of economics and of financial movements was forced upon me. And now, with the full support of whatever experience I have had, I feel most honestly and submit most respectfully that, all the circumstances duly considered, Richmond, Va. is the logical, natural and energizing site for the Regional Bank of the South.

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Here is the moral head of the Southland; hither all their thoughts and affections turn; here all our railroads and water-carriers converge; hither flock visitors from every quarter, and hence increasingly each year radiate throughout the South the impulse and energy of business life.

This city is the nerve centre of the Southern Organism, the very heart of its public life. And it seems to me that another head or centre could not be made without possibly creating disaccord in the system, or, maybe, going against the course of the stars. The Regional Bank here would add proportionally to the growth of the whole country and stimulate wonderfully the particular development of the South.

Commercially, industrially, we are not an outgrowth of Washington, D.C., nor are we integrally connected with Baltimore. We believe in a New South, with Richmond as its metropolis. And it is our ambition, nay, the very breath of our civic existence to work out triumphantly our own destiny.

We would be humiliated beyond expression if, with our great age and our traditions, our great services to the country at large and our great pride we were made dependent on the young, inland and organal Atlanta. It would chill the blood in our veins.


We suffered much during the war, but now prosperity is returning; feelings once ran high, but now all bitterness is abating, and the blessed work is happily progressing of welding all sections of this country into a real union not only of federation, but also of co-operation and of love.

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And I should feel proud, were the glory of completing this noble work reserved to a Democratic Administration, and of crowning it by placing a Government Reserve Bank in the Capital of the Old Confederacy.

In the meantime, with profound respect, I have the honor to remain

Your obedient servant

+ D. J. O'Connell.  
Bishop of Richmond,  


January 12, 1914.

The Rt. Rev. D. J. O'Connell,  
803 Cathedral Place,  
Richmond, Virginia.

Dear Sir:

I have your letter of January 8th. It will be given  
very careful consideration in connection with the difficult  
problem we have to consider.

With best wishes,

Very truly yours,



# OTIS ELEVATOR COMPANY

RICHMOND, VA.

12 SOUTH  
TENTH STREET

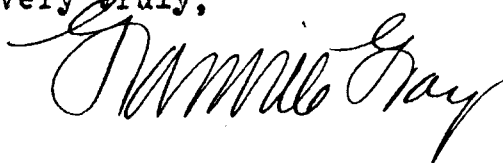
January 7, 1914

Mr. W. G. McAdoo, Chairman  
Reserve Bank Organization Committee,  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir -

No doubt you have received many letters in regard to the advantages that would accrue by locating one of the regional reserve banks at Richmond. I am not, therefore, going to burden you with a long letter putting forth the advantages, but write you requesting that you give Richmond a serious thought, knowing the advantages that would be derived by the entire south by placing one of the regional banks in our city.

Yours very truly,



ANSWERED  
JAN 8 1914  
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ANSWERED  
JAN 7 1914  
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Form *L 5*

# **PATTERSON BROS. TOBACCO Co.**

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F.D. MASON, TREAS.

*Richmond, Va.,* Jan. 30th, 1914.

Mr. O. J. Sands,  
Chairman Executive Committee,  
Richmond, Va.

Dear Sir:-

Geographically, commercially, financially and sentimentally, the City of Richmond is the logical location for the FEDERAL RESERVE BANK to serve the wants of Virginia, North Carolina, South Carolina, Georgia, Florida, Eastern Tennessee, Eastern Kentucky and Southern West Virginia.

Richmond has always been the natural gateway between the North and the South, owing to the mountains on the West and the sea on the East and connected by the two great Railway Trunk Lines, Atlantic Coast Line and Seaboard Air Line. With these conditions, Richmond has served the Southern States for many generations through its large banking facilities and varied manufacturing enterprises. In all this time, there has been cultivated a close business relation with all these States, until now, the natural trend of trade is to Richmond.

The thousands of salesmen traveling from Richmond through this territory representing the Manufacturers, do more business with the people of this territory than any other City and they are continually strengthening the bond of business brotherhood with all of its people.

The whole territory is populated with a homogeneous people, following the same pursuits, knowing each others' needs and so closely in sympathy with one another, that it would be a calamity to force them to change their customs of years and it would require further generations to educate them to the same understanding and advantages as now naturally exist between them and Richmond.

This whole section looked to Richmond for five years of the most trying period of history, which made brothers of them all and Richmond was the big family home. While that sad period has now passed leaving no unkind remembrances, still the sentiment exists and the tie between these people remains unbroken. All of them still want Richmond as their financial home and Richmond wants them. They cannot believe that our Government will now force them to seek a new home or cast them among strangers, who do not know their needs and are not in full sympathy with them.

These reasons are given in favor of Richmond as compared with



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*Richmond, Va.,*

Jan. 24th, 1914.

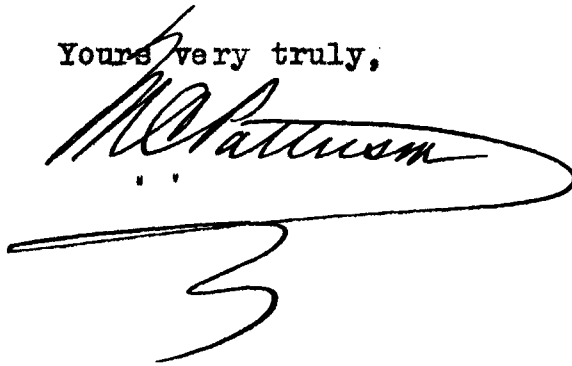
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any City further North. Certainly, no point <sup>to</sup> ~~through~~ the South can possibly serve all this section as satisfactorily and as promptly as Richmond, simply because the trend of trade being Northward and it being so well prepared with banking capital. Furthermore, Richmond is the center of the Tobacco industry, both as to the Farmer and Manufacturer. It adjoins the large Peanut industry and is next door to the Cotton Mills and Farmers and has been in touch with these three principle enterprises for so many years, it is naturally more familiar with their requirements and securities, than any other City could possibly be.

Richmond grows bigger and bigger as it's many advantages are analyzed.

Yours very truly,



MCP/MF.

JAMES N. BOYD, PRESIDENT.  
J. J. MONTAGUE, VICE PRESIDENT.

RICHARD H. SMITH, VICE PRES. & CASHIER

R. LATIMER GORDON, ASST. CASHIER.  
CONWAY H. GORDON, ASST. CASHIER.

CAPITAL \$300,000.  
SURPLUS & PROFITS \$1,325,000.00.

# THE PLANTERS NATIONAL BANK

RICHMOND, VA., February 2nd, 1914.

Mr. O. J. Sands, Chairman,  
Richmond, Va.

Dear Sir:-

Your letter of January 28th is received. You ask me to give you further information in regard to Richmond as the logical location for a Federal Reserve Bank to serve the South Atlantic States. So many excellent reasons have already been advanced that it is difficult to name a new one.

Richmond has been for many years the money lending city of the South. Its deposits and wealth are growing steadily. Our banks have been compelled to seek a territory to loan to and help build up. We have gone into our natural field, the South Atlantic States, to such an extent, and developed such a large business, not only with the banks there but with the merchants and manufacturers, that the natural trend has developed into steady streams, continually increasing in volume.

This volume is now so large that the necessities of the case make it most urgent to have a Regional Bank located at Richmond.

Very truly yours,



PRESIDENT.

L. F. HUDSON, President  
H. H. VADEN, Sec'y and Treas.

DIRECTORS:  
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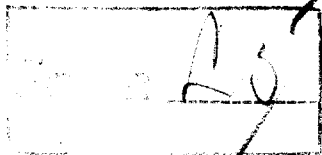
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604 TO 608 N. SEVENTH STREET

Richmond, Va., Jan 17 14 191

Hon. Wm. G. McAdoo,  
Washington, D. C.



Dear Sir:

We are asking your earnest and thoughtful consideration of Richmond's claim for the location of a Federal Reserve Bank.

We most earnestly endorse the good, sound, business reasons presented you by our committee.

Respectfully yours,

*The Rennie Dairy Co. Inc.*

ANSWERED  
JAN 21 1914  
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L. F. HUDSON, President  
H. H. VADEN, Sec'y and Treas.

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Washington, D. C.

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JAN 23 1914  
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STATEMENT OF CAPITAL, SURPLUS AND DEPOSITS OF THE NATIONAL BANKS  
LOCATED IN THE SOUTH-EASTERN STATES.

	CAPITAL.	SURPLUS.	GROSS DEPOSITS.	
Washington, D.C.	6,500,000.	5,000,000.	36,000,000.	
Virginia	17,600,000.	11,600,000.	113,000,000.	
West Virginia	10,000,000.	6,400,000.	64,000,000.	
North Carolina	8,400,000.	2,800,000.	46,000,000.	
South Carolina	6,300,000.	2,100,000.	30,000,000.	
Georgia	15,100,000.	9,300,000.	63,000,000.	
Florida	7,500,000.	3,000,000.	40,000,000.	
Alabama	10,200,000.	5,800,000.	50,000,000.	
Mississippi	3,400,000.	1,600,000.	17,000,000.	
Louisiana	3,000,000.	2,300,000.	17,000,000.	
New Orleans	5,200,000.	3,000,000.	34,000,000.	
Kentucky	12,300,000.	5,200,000.	46,000,000.	
Louisville	5,500,000.	2,700,000.	33,000,000.	
Tennessee	13,200,000.	5,500,000.	78,000,000.	
	CAP. & SUR. NAT. BANKS	CAP. & SUR. STATE BANKS	TOTAL	DEPOSITS
Washington City	11,500,000.	16,200,000.	27,500,000.	83,000,000.
New Orleans	8,200,000.	13,300,000.	21,500,000.	89,000,000.
Richmond, Va.	10,700,000.	7,300,000.	18,000,000.	53,000,000.
Atlanta, Ga.	9,700,000.	7,300,000.	17,000,000.	35,000,000.

Figures taken as far as possible from statement of Comptroller of Currency. Richmond, Va., Atlanta, Ga. from Bankers' Register, as these are not reserve cities. Figures regarding State Banks also taken from Bankers Register.

Dec. 31, 1913.

RESOLUTION OF BANKS OF RICHMOND.

At a meeting of the banks of this City it was RESOLVED, that the Banks of Richmond, Va. will co-operate with the commercial bodies of this city to secure the nomination of Richmond as the location of one of the Federal Reserve Banks, believing that its banking capital and surplus, its geographical position and the fact that it is the natural point of trade for the South Atlantic States and a portion of Tennessee and West Virginia, entitle it to such consideration. It is the most important city in finance, trade and population in the territory named. It is in the trend of trade and finance to the North and East and numbers now amongst its depositors a large number of the banks in the section named.

Its geographical location and railroad facilities connecting it with all points in this territory, as well as its proximity to the great trade centers, render it most convenient to those cities for the transaction of their business.

Under the Federal Reserve Bank Act there can be only twelve Federal Reserve districts, with one Federal Reserve city, and one Federal Reserve Bank in each district. Each district is to be apportioned with due regard to:

1. The Geographical convenience - involving transportation facilities - quick and easy transportation.
2. The Industrial and commercial development - needs of the tributary section including consideration of general movement of trade - exchange of credit - transfer of funds within the district.
3. The established custom and trend of business as developed by present system of bank reserves and checking accounts.

And each district must embrace member banks having capital and surplus to the amount of \$66,666,666. to enable them to subscribe the minimum capital stock of \$4,000,000. which is required for each Federal Reserve Bank. Virginia, North and South Carolina would meet the above requirements and naturally make up a district if they had the necessary amount of capital and surplus, but the joint capital and surplus of the national banks of these three States only amount to \$48,800,000. Therefore since these alone cannot make up a district they must either add other territory to them, or be added to some other district or districts. It therefore seems not only wise but imperative for the future welfare of these States that they at once unite and stand together, and instead of being divided and sent to other territory, to bring in enough territory to make up a district, of which these States, their sentiments needs and conditions will be the center. If we do not stand together it appears from the geographical location of our country and important cities that Virginia will be put in a district with Washington, West Virginia, Maryland and Pennsylvania, and that North and South Carolina will be put in a district with Tennessee, Alabama, Georgia and Florida. Therefore do you not believe it is better for us to stand strongly together and bring to us the additional territory necessary? This can be done by adding the Southern portion of West Virginia, the Eastern portions of Kentucky and Tennessee, Georgia, and the Eastern and Southern portions of Florida, all of which territory would naturally and properly be brought to us than that we should be split up. See map in Times-Dispatch of Jan. 6th, 1914.

# Retail Grocers Association

OF RICHMOND, VA. No. 14-16 South 18th Street.

INCORPORATED

ADDRESS ALL COMMUNICATIONS TO W. A. GILLS, SECRETARY, 1529 W. CARY STREET

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No. 14-16 South 18th Street,

Richmond, Va., Jan., 12, 1914.

At the regular meeting of the Retail Grocers Association of Richmond, Va., Inc., held at their office on the above date by a unanimous vote, agreed to endorse Richmond as the best place for a Regional Bank for the South Atlantic States and to urge upon our Senators and Representatives in Congress to use their best efforts to have our city named as one of the Regional Bank Cities.

*J. B. Yeamans, Pres.*

*W. A. Gills, Secty*



Treasury Department

TELEGRAM ANSWERED

JAN 16 1914

TD RICHMOND Va Jan 15 1914

TELEGRAPH OFFICE

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Hon Wm G McAdoo, Secretary Treasury,

Washington, D.C.

Permit me to urge that you establish one of the regional banks at Richmond, Va, the ideal place in the south for it

Chas V Carrington, President,  
Richmond Academy of Medicine and  
Surgery

253pm

Adopted by RICHMOND BAR ASSOCIATION in meeting held Jan. 8th at 4:30 P. M. Resolutions prepared by committee consisting of Messrs. Leigh R. Page, Geo. Bryan, and Thos. C. Gordon.

RESOLVED- That the RICHMOND BAR ASSOCIATION lend its best efforts to secure the establishment of one of the Federal Reserve Banks in this city, believing that the location of Richmond, its intimate and long established trade relations with the principal cities and towns along the South Atlantic Seaboard, including territory which is easily and naturally accessible to Richmond, affording as it does a large and varied demand for credit, makes Richmond a logical place for the establishment of such a bank; whereas to put Richmond in a region with any one of the cities either North or South of it mentioned as a reserve center would seriously impair the splendid financial and commercial position Richmond has attained amid unexampled trials and difficulties, and work a material hardship among the business interests of North Carolina and South Carolina and large portions of adjoining States which now have channels of trade established with Richmond working in a most efficient manner.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED- That the president and secretary of this Association send a copy of this resolution to the two United States Senators and to all of the Representatives in Congress from Virginia, as well as to Secretary McAdoo, Secretary Houston, and Mr. John Skelton Williams, First Assistant Secretary of the Treasurer, assuring them of the support of this Association and of its individual members in their efforts to secure the establishment of one of the Federal Reserve Banks at Richmond, and of the willingness of the Association to respond to any call for assistance that may be made upon it.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED- That the President appoint one member of the Association to represent it on the Executive Committee of the Richmond organization which is exerting itself to secure a Federal Reserve Bank, and that he appoint two members to serve on the general committee of the latter organization.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED- That Richmond is the natural center of such business interests despite its proximity to Baltimore and Washington is patent to us as lawyers, since here is and has always been established the Circuit Court of Appeals of the United States for the five great States of Maryland, Virginia, West Virginia, North and South Carolina.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED- That a copy of these resolutions be sent to the members of the bar of Virginia, West Virginia, North Carolina and South Carolina, Georgia and Florida.

R. H. JOHNSON, PRESIDENT

W. S. FORBES, VICE-PRES.

JAS. A. MONCURE, SEC. & TREAS.

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FORT POWHATAN, VA.  
OFFICE  
1106 E. MAIN STREET

RICHMOND, VA., Jan. 19, 1914.

*Handwritten:* 4-12-14  
**Form 25**

Senator Robt. L. Owens,  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir,-

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**ANSWERED**  
JAN 23 1914  
FORM

Knowing that you will weigh this subject with all fairness and trusting that it may be your disposition to so favor Richmond, we are

Yours very truly,

RICHMOND GUANO CO.

JAM:MAB

*Handwritten signature:* Jas. A. Moncure  
Secty & Treas.

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RICHMOND, VA., Jan. 19, 1914.

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Assistant Secty of the Treas.,  
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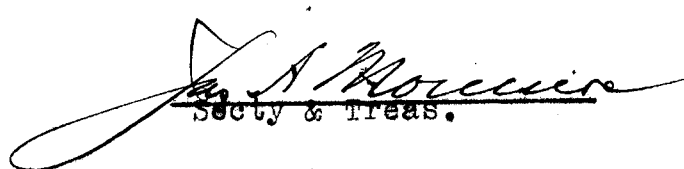
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Secty & Treas.

ANSWERED  
JAN 26 1914  
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ANSWERED  
JAN 21 1914  
*R. H. M.*

Knowing that you will weigh this subject with all fairness and trusting that it may be your disposition to so favor Richmond, we are

Yours very truly,

RICHMOND GUANO CO.

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Secty & Treas.

E. W. GRICE, PRESIDENT  
LESLIE ELLIS, THIRD VICE-PRESIDENT

A. H. MONCURE, FIRST VICE-PRES.

W. H. OWENS, SECOND VICE-PRES.  
F. O. ROBINSON, SECRETARY AND TREASURER

# RICHMOND RAILROAD CLUB

## EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

THEO. W. STEVENS, PRES. C. & O. RY CO.  
V. H. WHITE, PRES. H. F. & P. AND WASH. SOU. RY  
J. F. WALSH

## FINANCE COMMITTEE

ANDREW WELCH  
W. D. DUKE  
J. A. FARLEY  
W. F. CARTER

Richmond, Va., January 13, 1914-p

To the Honorable  
The Secretary of the Treasury,  
Washington, D. C.

Sir:

The Richmond Railroad Club, in regular meeting, January 12th, passed the following Resolution:

"RESOLVED that this Club heartily endorses the efforts of the various Banking and Business Associations of Richmond, Va., and the adjoining States, to secure the location of a Regional Bank, in the City of Richmond, Va., for the following reasons:

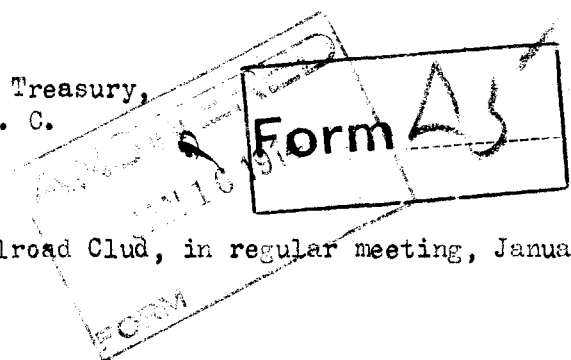
- 1st. Because of its advantageous location with regard to Railroad facilities, having superior advantages in mail routes to the West by the Chesapeake and Ohio Railway and Norfolk and Western Railway, and to the South by the Atlantic Coast Line, Seaboard Air Line, Southern Railway and Norfolk Southern Railway, also via River Steamers to Tidewater.
- 2nd. Because of the undesirability of disturbing large and important trade and banking relations long existing, between Richmond and the South Eastern territory.

That this Resolution be transmitted to Mr. McAdoo, Secretary of the Treasury, and that copies be sent to United States Senators T. S. Martin and C. A. Swanson, and to Congressman A. J. Montague,"

Respectfully submitted.

  
President.

  
Secy-Treas.





United States Senate,

Washington, Jan. 9, 1904

Respectfully referred to

The Organization  
Committee  
Treasury Dept

Respectfully,

J. S. Owen

*O. H. Funsten*, PRES.

*B. M. Jacobs*, TREAS.

*F. M. Boykin*, SEC.

# Richmond Real Estate Exchange

1013 E. MAIN ST.

*Richmond, Va.* January  
Eighth,  
Nineteen-fourteen.

Hon. Robert L. Owen,  
United States Senate,  
Washington, D. C

My dear Sir:

I am enclosing herewith copy of the Resolutions which were adopted by our Real Estate Exchange in regard to the location of one of the Federal Reserve Banks in this City. I know that it is useless, in your case, for me to go into facts as to why it is desirable to have one of these banks located in Richmond, since its advantages of location are so well known to you, but I hope that you will do all you can to see that the claim of Richmond has the fair consideration of the Committee in charge of deciding where such banks shall be located. I know that you will do your duty as you see it, and hope that you will advise us of any suggestions you can make that will aid us in putting our City in the position of having its advantages given the most careful consideration of the Committee.

It would be a great advantage to have the Committee visit this City on its return to Washington.

ANSWERED  
JAN 10 1914  
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Yours very truly,

*O. H. Funsten*  
President.

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RESOLUTION ADOPTED BY RICHMOND REAL ESTATE EXCHANGE

Be it RESOLVED

That the Richmond Real Estate Exchange fully concurs in the efforts to secure for this City one of the Federal Reserve Banks, believing that the commercial importance and ease of access from the South Atlantic points make it the most desirable and logical location that could be secured in this territory. We feel that the rapid development of this city should appeal to those who are in a position to designate the location of these banks. Its proximity to the great trade centers in the South Atlantic States makes it one of the most convenient points for the transaction of business.

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# Richmond Real Estate Exchange

1013 E. MAIN ST.

*Richmond, Va.* January  
Seventh,  
Nineteen-fourteen.

Hon. W. G. McAdoo,  
Secretary of the Treasury,  
Washington, D. C.

My dear Sir:

I am enclosing herewith copy of the Resolutions adopted by the Board of Managers of the Richmond Real Estate Exchange, which refer to the location in this City of one of the Federal Reserve Banks. We hope that you will see that Richmond is a most favorable location for one of them, and that you will finally be convinced that one of these Banks should be established here.

Thanking you to give our cause your most earnest consideration, I beg to remain

Yours very truly,

*O. H. Tunstun*

President.

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ANSWERED  
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The above resolution adopted January 5th 1914 by the Board of Managers of the Richmond Real Estate Exchange.

 Secretary  
RICHMOND REAL ESTATE EXCHANGE.

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*J. M. Doykin* Secretary

RICHMOND REAL ESTATE EXCHANGE.

*O. H. Funston*, PRES.

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# Richmond Real Estate Exchange

1013 E. MAIN ST.

*Richmond, Va.*

MAIL & FILES DIVISION  
TREASURY DEPARTMENT  
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*Richmond*

Hon. John Skelton Williams,  
1st Assistant Secretary,  
United States Treasury,  
Washington, D. C.

My dear John:

I herewith enclose copy of the Resolutions which were adopted at a meeting of the Board of Managers of our Real Estate Exchange. I know that you have at all times in the past shown your willingness to serve Richmond as best you could, and I hope that you can see your way clear to feel that you should now use your best efforts to locate one of the Federal Reserve Banks in this City.

It is useless for me to go into any argument with you along this line, as you know all of our advantages so well, and I know you will do your duty as you see it.

With best wishes for you always, I am

Yours very sincerely,

*O. H. Funston*  
President.

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JAN 13 1914  
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1013 E. MAIN ST.

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January  
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*J. M. Pugh*, Secretary  
RICHMOND REAL ESTATE EXCHANGE.

# NIGHT LETTER

## THE WESTERN UNION TELEGRAPH COMPANY

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**25,000 OFFICES IN AMERICA      CABLE SERVICE TO ALL THE WORLD**

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**THEO. N. VAIL, PRESIDENT**

**BELVIDERE BROOKS, GENERAL MANAGER**

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**RICHMOND VA JAN 7TH 1914**

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**WASHINGTON DC**

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FOLLOWING RESOLUTIONS WAS PASSED TODAY AT A CALLED MEETING OF RICHMOND ROTARY CLUB " WHEREAS RICHMOND IS THE MOST LOGICAL CITY CAPABLE OF SUPPLYING THE BANKING NEEDS OF THE SOUTH ATLANTIC STATES AND IS MORE CLOSELY IN TOUCH WITH ALL SOUTH ATLANTIC BANKING INTERESTS THAN ANY OTHER CITY AND WHEREAS: IT IS THE DESIRE OF THE RICHMOND ROTARY CLUB TO HAVE RICHMOND APPOINTED AS A FEDERAL RESERVE CENTER AS PROVIDED FOR IN THE NEW NATIONAL CURRENCY BILL THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE RICHMOND ROTARY CLUB UNANIMOUSLY FAVORS THE APPOINTMENT OF RICHMOND AS A FEDERAL RESERVE CENTER FOR BANKS AND DOES HEREBY PLEDGE ITS SUPPORT AND AID IN HELPING TO ACCOMPLISH THIS END AND THE PRESIDENT SHALL APPOINT A COMMITTEE OF TWO TO COOPERATE WITH THE JOINT COMMITTEE ON FEDERAL RESERVE BANKS AND SHALL DESIGNATE ONE OF SAID COMMITTEE WHO SHALL SERVE ON THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF SAID JOINT COMMITTEE

JOHN G CORLEY      PRESIDENT      815PM

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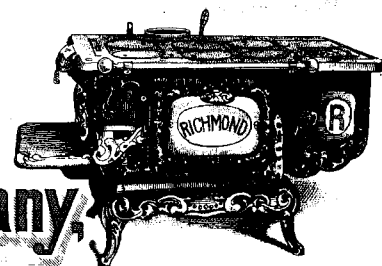
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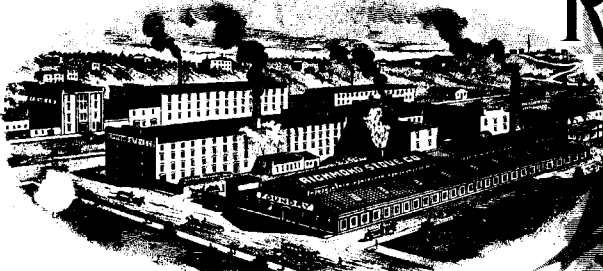
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# Richmond Stove Company

MANUFACTURERS OF  
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**HEATING STOVES.**

STOVE HOLLOW-WARE AND FURNITURE.  
PORTABLE GRATES.

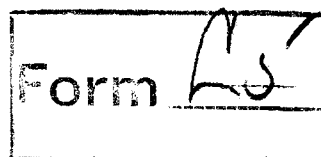


OFFICE & WORKS 25<sup>TH</sup> & MAIN STREETS.

*Richmond, Va.*

January 21, 1914.

Hon. David F. Houston,  
Secretary of Agriculture,  
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We want to bespeak your active support of the location of a Federal Reserve Bank in the City of Richmond.

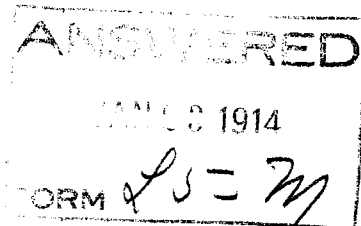
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RICHMOND STOVE COMPANY.

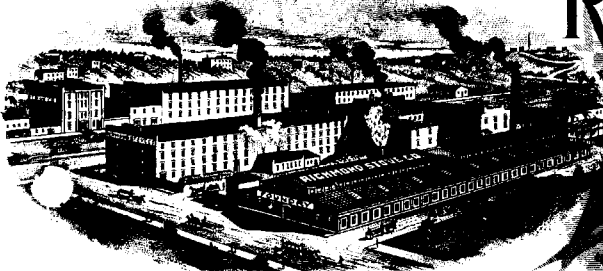
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**"THE RICHMOND LINE—Stoves that Sell and Satisfy"**

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## COOKING STOVES & RANGES HEATING STOVES

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OFFICE & WORKS 25<sup>TH</sup> & MAIN STREETS.

*Richmond, Va.*

January 21, 1914.

Hon. William G. McAdoo,  
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Washington, D. C.

Form 25

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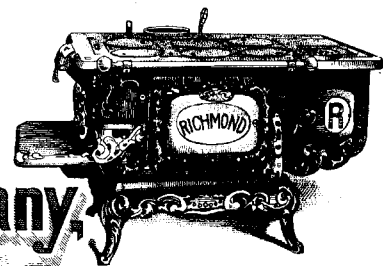
*E. A. Rennolds*  
President.

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FORM 25

**"THE RICHMOND LINE—Stoves that Sell and Satisfy"**

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W. M. JONES, SECY & TREAS.



# Richmond Stove Company

## COOKING STOVES & RANGES HEATING STOVES.

MANUFACTURERS OF

STONE HOLLOW-WARE AND FURNITURE.  
PORTABLE GRATES.

OFFICE & WORKS 25<sup>TH</sup> & MAIN STREETS.

*Richmond, Va.* January 21, 1914.

Hon. John Skelton Williams,  
Comptroller of Currency,  
Washington, D. C.

Form *LS*

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President.

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"THE RICHMOND LINE—Stoves that Sell and Satisfy"



Leaf Tobacco



Richmond, Va., *Jan 7th* 1914

Whereas, the financial and commercial interests of our city are exercising every energy to procure one of the Federal Reserve Banks for Richmond, and;

Whereas, Richmond's position as to the great tobacco business of North Carolina, South Carolina and Virginia is such as to make it most desirable to the tobacco interest of these states whose volume of business amounts to over fifty million dollars annually, that every facility should be afforded to properly and efficiently finance same, and Richmond's geographical position and the great tobacco interests located here will in the highest degree protect this great industry;

Therefore, be it resolved by the Richmond Tobacco Trade that a committee of two be appointed to act with the other committees from the different bodies of our city in their effort to impress upon Virginia, North and South Carolina the great benefit of having a Federal Reserve Bank in Richmond and to take such steps necessary to procure the co-operation of the tobacco interests of these states.

*The above resolution was unanimously adopted* —

*Jan 7. 1914,*

*Edward Sniffen Secy*

Quotations subject to change without notice. All contracts and agreements are contingent upon strikes, accidents and other occurrences beyond our control.

PHONES { OFFICE, MONROE 3015.  
STORE, MONROE 3014.  
SHOP, MONROE 574.

OFFICE & SALES ROOM  
1427 E. MAIN ST.  
WAREHOUSE & SHOP  
REAR 7 SOUTH 14TH ST.

# JOHN H. ROSE & CO

CHARLES ROSE PROP.

RICHMOND, VA., Jan. 28, 1914

Form 25

*Jud Elliott*

- Manufacturers'
- Agents,
- Wholesale,
- Retail,
- Stoves,
- Ranges,
- China,
- Crockery,
- Glassware,
- Enameled Ware,
- Tinware,
- Dolls,
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Hon. Jno. Skelton Williams, Controller of Currency,  
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Asking your kind consideration for RICHMOND for one of the Reserve Banks, we are,

Very respectfully yours,

*Charles Rose*

CR/CGM

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FORM 5-1014

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RICHMOND, VA.. Jan. 28, 1914

Form 25

- Manufacturers'
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Hon. Wm. G. McAdoo, Secy. of Treasury,  
Washington, D. C.  
Dear Sir:

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JAN 30 1914  
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CHAMBER OF COMMERCE BLDG

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 THIS DISTRICT WILL DO GREAT VIOLENCE TO THIS TRADE CENTER  
 A BANK IN WASHINGTON WILL BE MORE OR LESS DOMINATED  
 BY POLITICAL INFLUENCES FAVORABLE OR UNFAVORABLE TO THIS SECTION  
 PLEASE CONSIDER THESE MATTERS CAREFULLY AND CALL THE ATTENTION  
 OF COMMITTEE TO RICHMONDS KNOWLEGE OF NEEDS OF SOUTHERN COUNTRY  
 BEING NOW THE LARGEST DEPOSITARY FOR BANKS IN THE SOUTH  
 OLIVER J SANDS , CHAIRMAN

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E. A. SAUNDERS, JR.  
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*Richmond, Va. Feby. 2nd, 1914.*

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Hon. John Skelton Williams,  
Comptroller United States,  
Washington, D.C.

My dear Mr. Williams:--

It is useless for me to tell you how anxious we are to have a FEDERAL RESERVE BANK located at Richmond

It is also useless for me to take up your time to give my reasons why Richmond should have one of these Banks; for, in my judgment, if there is a man in the United States that could give the real reasons why Richmond should have and is entitled to one of these Banks, it is John Skelton Williams.

I have never seen Richmond and the territory tributary to Richmond, worked up to as high a pitch of enthusiasm on any matter as they are today on this Banking situation. I am sincerely,

Yours very truly,

*E.A. Saunders*

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GEO. W. WATT,  
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*Richmond, Va.* Jan. 30th, 1914

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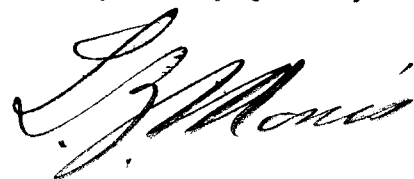
My dear Sir:-

I am just in receipt of yours of the 28th, and I would be only too glad to give additional reasons why Richmond should be the logical point for a regional bank - but the very able document published by the Chamber of Commerce of this city leaves nothing to suggest. The facts of that document are so concise and incontrovertible that it must convince the most skeptical.

One thought occurs to me which I beg to submit to you for your consideration - namely - that the action of Richmond in the great panic of 1907 in not having to resort to any artificial device but never stopped paying out currency, should show to the Organization Committee the inherent strength and conservatism of the banks of this city - that should enlist the most favorable consideration of the Committee.

I am always ready to serve whenever I can,

Very truly yours,





January 6, 1913.

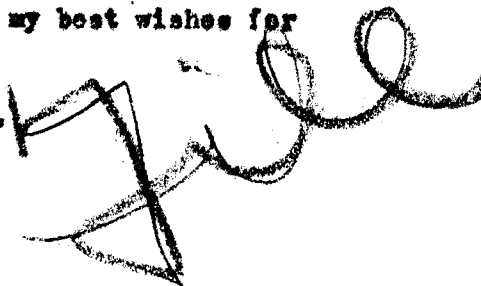
My dear Fred:

I have your letter of the 30th ultimo and am interested to hear that the new currency law meets with the approval of as experienced and sagacious a financier as your good-self.

Richmond will certainly be given every opportunity of presenting her arguments for the location there of a Federal Reserve Bank, and I have no apprehension that the arguments which our good City may present are in any danger of being disregarded.

I am sorry that I was unable to get to your delightful luncheon or to offer you the compliments of the Season, but please accept from me now my best wishes for you and yours for the New Year.

Sincerely yours,



(Signed) J. S. Williams.

P. W. Scott, Esq.,  
C/o Scott & Stringfellow,  
Richmond, Va.



SCOTT & STRINGFELLOW  
RICHMOND, VA.

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December 30, 1913.

Mr. John Skelton Williams,  
Treasury Department,  
Washington, D.C.

Dear John:

I am much obliged to you for sending me a copy of the new Currency Bill.

It is nothing to me but a plain miracle that such a large number of men were able to harmonize their views and bring forth such a result as H.R.7837.

The Republican Party had control of this Government for forty years of the forty-eight years since the war, and during that period they have never seriously attempted to modernize our National Currency Laws. Now why did they not? Was it because they did not know how, or was it because they did not want to make any change? Of course they knew how, or rather they thought that they did, and it may be that the reason they did not give us scientific legislation was because a lot of big people did not want it, thinking probably they could make more money out of crises and recoveries than they could out of a steady forward movement.

There is nothing in the world so scary as capital, so this H.R.7837 has got to be handled like edge tools but in-as-much as our much abused Democratic Party was clever enough to create such a law, I think the same party is clever enough to operate it.

All I want to ask of you is to remember that you and all your people live in Richmond, Va. Now just keep that before you all the time, and do all you can to put Richmond on the map.

Richmond is not only one of the most conservative Cities in the United States, but it is one of the most enterprising. It is a high tribute to Virginia that every great Southern trunk line that touches Virginia elected to ask for a charter from Virginia, and the Vice President of one of the great tobacco manufacturing companies told me today that if ever, for any reason, his company gave up its New Jersey charter it would take out a Virginia charter.

SCOTT & STRINGFELLOW  
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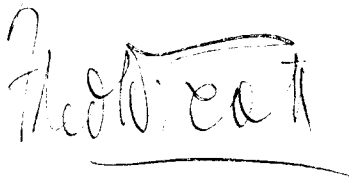
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Mr. J.S. Williams, -2-.

I wish you a great deal of success in your new field of labor for the coming year, but do not let your work or your associates ever drive Richmond from your mind.

I missed you at my luncheon on Saturday. It was a lovely party, if I do say it myself, because the guests made it a success.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Fred C. East". The signature is written in dark ink and is underlined with a single horizontal line.



Received at St. Louis, Mo. Jan. 14 1917  
No. 1 box 19

Hon. J. F. Houston  
Washington, D.C.

Dear Sir, in this country  
we feel like Richmond has a just and strong  
claim for the location of one of the Federal  
Reserve Banks and hope the committee will think  
the same do not pass our petitions lightly by

Yours for the greatest  
public good

D. W. Starbuck

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JAN 16 1914  
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A. L. McCLELLAN, President.  
T. A. SMYTH, Vice-President.  
J. C. SMYTH, Sec'y & Treas.

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STRICTLY COMMISSION BUSINESS

# SMYTH BROS.-McCLEARY-McCLELLAN Co.

COMMISSION SALESMEN,  
**HORSES AND MULES,**

OFFICE AND STABLES:  
SOUTHERN STOCK YARDS

RICHMOND, VA., January 26, 1914.

Mr. George C. Gregory, Sec'y.,

Richmond, Va.

Dear Sir:-

We are very much interested in the subject of the selection of Richmond as the proper site for the location of one of the Federal Reserve Banks, and we feel that it might be of interest to the organization committee to know why we consider Richmond the logical center for a very wide territory.

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Yours very truly,

SMYTH BROS.-McCLEARY-McCLELLAN Co.

per. 

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per *J. C. Smyth Sec'y & Treas*

ANSWERED  
JAN 28 1914  
FORM *L-5-mc*



January 6, 1913.

Mr. H. L. Harwood,  
Sec'y. & Treas. Post A.,  
Va. Div. Travelers' Protective Ass'n.,  
Richmond, Virginia.

My dear Sir:

I have your letter of the 2nd instant advocating the selection of Richmond as the location for the Federal Reserve Bank for this section and will take pleasure in bringing it to the attention of the Organization Committee. I am sure that the Committee will give full heed to the strong arguments which I know will be presented in this connection at the hearing which has already been arranged for Richmond.


Very truly yours,

(Signed) J. S. Williams!

GEO. W. ROGERS, PRESIDENT.

H. L. HARWOOD, SEC'Y AND TREAS.

# Post A, Va. Div., Travelers' Protective Association of America.

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POST "A" HEADQUARTERS, 301 EAST MAIN STREET.

*Richmond, Va.,*

Jan. 2, 1914.

Mr. John Skelton Williams,  
 Treasury Department,  
 Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

Under instructions from the members of "Post A" Travelers' Protective Association at a meeting held in Richmond, Va., December 30th, 1913, I am directed to ask your co-operation in securing for this City one of the Reserve Banks to be established under the new banking law. The commercial advantages of Richmond and the State, we feel entitles it to serious consideration, not only on account of the benefits to be derived by Richmond merchants, but to the commercial interest of the South.

The enormous business done from here to all points in the Carolinas, Georgia, Tennessee and West Virginia is to a great extent due to the fact that Richmond is the gateway to these states by reason of its unsurpassed railroad connections with the Southern, Seaboard Air Line, Atlantic Coast Line, Chesapeake & Ohio, and Norfolk & Western Railways going through the heart of these states, thereby enabling merchants to trade with us at less loss of time than to any other point.

The business of Richmond is growing rapidly in this territory, and we believe that with a Reserve Bank, it would have the effect of greatly encouraging future business.

These states we believe would much prefer seeing a Reserve Bank established in this City than any other on account of its accessibility, as well as the fact that the merchants of the South realize the importance of Richmond as a commercial center, where they can trade to great advantage, and also to its present unsurpassed banking facilities.

We shall be glad to furnish you with further facts to prove our just claim to one of these banks, and will be glad to have the opportunity of doing so at the proper time.

Very respectfully yours,

*H. L. Harwood*  
 Sec'y - Treas. Post A.

THOMAS GRESHAM.  
PRESIDENT.

H. BRUCE,  
VICE-PRESIDENT AND GENERAL MANAGER.

A. L. McCLELL  
SECRETARY AND TREASURER.

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ASSISTANT SECRETARY AND TREASURER.

## UNION SECURITIES AND REALTY CORPORATION,

PHONE, MADISON 7386.

AMERICAN NATIONAL BANK BUILDING.

RICHMOND, VIRGINIA.

February 4th, 1914.

Mr. O. J. Sands, Chairman,  
Reserve Bank Committee,  
Richmond -Va.

Dear Sir:--

As the Vice President and General Manager of the above Company, I wish to state that in the past twelve months we have spent over half a million dollars in developing certain portions of Virginia chiefly in and around West Point, Virginia, where we erected an electric plant and built a substantial bridge across the Mattoponi river.

Within the last twelve months the Southern Railway Company has very much improved its passenger and mail service from Richmond to the Eastern Shore of Virginia. The Richmond and Rappahannock River Railway Company has built a new railroad from Richmond into this section, and the Chesapeake Bay Line has put on the James river two additional steamers. These make Richmond very accessible to the Eastern Shore section, which has not heretofore had proper connection with Richmond; and give Richmond all the advantages of water connection with the ocean.

With the James river deepened as it is now, Richmond has every advantage of a coast town, with the additional advantage of protection in the case of war.

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PRESIDENT.

H. BRUCE,  
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O. J. Sands-Chairman - - #2.

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Upon the opening of the Panama Canal, Richmond, Norfolk and Newport News should be brought into immediate prominence and their trade relations should be enormously increased, because the climatic conditions and the currents of the ocean are such that foreign boats can go to the Panama Canal by way of the Virginia Coast in a shorter time and upon less fuel than by way of a northern point. And I am informed that on account of icebergs and other dangers, the insurance rates on cargoes and vessels are less if this route is followed. u

These reasons, coupled with the fact that Richmond is a large manufacturing and distributing point, and that its banks now act as Clearing Houses for most of the South Atlantic territory should in my opinion clearly entitle it to one of the Federal Reserve Banks.

Very respectfully,



RHB/RS

RESOLUTIONS ADOPTED BY THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF THE RICHMOND CHAPTER OF THE ALUMNI OF THE UNIVERSITY OF VIRGINIA.

The Executive Committee of the Richmond Chapter of the Alumni of the University of Virginia unanimously endorse the movement and pledge their best efforts to secure the establishment of one of the Federal Reserve Banks in this City. Their belief that this City is the proper site for such a bank is based upon the incontrovertible facts regarding the long established trade relations which Richmond now holds and would naturally continue to hold with the principal cities and towns along the South Atlantic seaboard and the territory adjacent thereto. Its superb banking facilities which makes it the largest financial center south of Baltimore, would be seriously impaired without benefit to any other portion of our common country if Richmond was put in a region with any one of the Cities, either north or south of here, mentioned as a reserve center.

Her fitness as such financial center for the South Atlantic States is demonstrated by the fact that when it was necessary to select a legal center for such States, the choice naturally fell upon Richmond. Its legal business is intimately associated with its financial and commercial interests and the reasons that caused Richmond's selection for the location of the United States Circuit Court of Appeals are equally potent in proving it to be the proper center for one of the Federal Reserve Banks. In this way the legal, financial and commercial interests of the five great States of Maryland, Virginia and West Virginia, North and South Carolina, will be united in a common and natural union.

It would seem that the course pursued by the United States Government in the establishment of these United States Circuit Courts of Appeal furnishes a proper suggestion for the establishment of these reserve banks. An examination of the States and their financial, transportation and commercial relations point to the following Cities as proper centers at which to establish these reserve banks: Boston, Mass., New York City, Philadelphia, Pa., Richmond, Va., New Orleans, La., Cincinnati, O., Chicago, Ill., St. Louis, Mo., and San Francisco, Cal., which by law are the location for the sessions of the Circuit Court of Appeals for each of the nine circuits.

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JAN 21 1914  
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BE IT RESOLVED, that we respectfully request every member of this Chapter to constitute himself a committee of one to write to his fellow alumni throughout the country urging the importance of this matter to the capital of the Old Dominion and to the State which has nurtured him educationally and honorably.

Resolved further, that a copy of these resolutions be forwarded to the President of the United States, to each member of the Organization Committee and to every alumnus who is a member, either of the United States Senate or the House of Representatives, and especially to those from these five great States.

VIRGINIA-CAROLINA CHEMICAL CO.

RICHMOND, VA. Jan'y. 30, 1914

Mr. O. J. Sands, Chairman,  
Executive Committee,  
Richmond, Va.

Dear Sir:

Referring to the efforts of yourself, and others, to secure information to lay before the Organization Committee, in Washington, D.C., with the view of having Richmond selected as the location for a Federal Reserve Bank, I beg to submit herewith certain reasons which strike me as to why your efforts should meet with success:

FIRST: Richmond is in close touch with, and cognizant of the needs of the great cotton and tobacco acgricultural sections of the States south of her, and has been, and is, contributing largely towards the production and manufacture of both of these staples.

SECOND: Richmond is the most northerly of any strictly southern town, and it is, I believe, an undisputed fact that all cities south of the Potomac are desirous of continuing their present method of doing business with a reserve bank north of them, rather than facing about and sending their business to the south of them.

THIRD: Richmond's reputation as to stability, conservatism and progress, extends throughout the entire south.

FOURTH: There has been, and always will be, a bond of union between Richmond, and the entire section south of her.

Assuring you of my hearty co-operation with your efforts, in behalf of this movement, and my desire to co-operate with you in any way possible, I am, with much respect,

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Benj. S. Alsop". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned below the typed text "Very truly yours,".



VIRGINIA RAILWAY AND POWER COMPANY  
RICHMOND, VIRGINIA

THOS. S. WHEELWRIGHT  
PRESIDENT

January 30, 1914.

Mr. Oliver J. Sands, Chairman &c.,  
% American National Bank,  
Richmond, Va.

Dear Sir:

By reason of its geographical location and the statistical record which can and has been shown covering a number of years as to the large commercial and financial relations of Richmond with the South Atlantic States, I have thought from the first, and still believe, that in its wisdom the Committee will see fit to locate one of the Regional Reserve Banks at Richmond. This belief is further supported by the fact that when the United States District Courts were established some years ago, with a view to serving the business interests of the country, Richmond was selected as one of the points.

Very truly yours,

  
President.

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VIRGINIA RAILWAY AND POWER COMPANY  
RICHMOND, VIRGINIA

F. SITTERDING  
VICE-PRESIDENT

January 31, 1914.

Mr. Oliver J. Sands, Chairman &c.,  
% American National Bank,  
Richmond, Va.

Dear Sir:

Your letter of the 28th instant. in regard to the location of a Regional Reserve Bank in Richmond is at hand.

It is difficult to state the reasons why we should have one of these Reserve Banks since there are so many reasons to be advanced, and which have already been so fully and clearly expressed by our bankers and business men.

I have always said, and still say, that Richmond is the location for one of these Banks as nearly all the southern banks and business people look to Richmond just as the Northern citizens look to New York as a money center. Aside from this, the fact that our railway facilities make Richmond so accessible to our Southern people is one of the best reasons why a Regional Bank should be located in our city. For the past eight or ten years Richmond has practically been to the South what New York has been to the North, and I feel confident that the people of this section want one of the Regional Reserve Banks located in Richmond.

Yours very truly,



Vice-President.

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*Th. Jefferson*  
RICHMOND, VA.

Richmond, Va. January 23, 1914.

Mr. Oliver J. Sands,

Richmond, Va.

Dear Sir:-

I am instructed to offer to you the following copy of a resolution passed by the Virginia State Horticultural Society at its Annual meeting held in the Jefferson Hotel, Richmond Va., January 22nd, 1914.

"WHEREAS, Richmond, because of its geographical location, its financial connection with the South and East, is making an organized effort to secure one of the Regional Banks under the currency law recently adopted by Congress, be it

RESOLVED, that the Virginia State Horticultural Society, in annual meeting assembled, heartily endorses Richmond's effort in this direction and will lend its aid in any way possible toward securing one of these banks for Richmond; and instructs its Secretary to forward a copy of this resolution to the Senators and Congressmen of this State, and to the Secretary of the Treasury."

Yours very truly,

*Walter Whately*  
Secretary

Virginia State Horticultural Soc.

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J. M. LOCKNANE, Secy &amp; TREAS.

# A. M. WALKUP COMPANY

## CONTRACTORS

*Richmond, Va.* Feb. 17th, 1914.

Mr. Oliver J. Sands, Pres.,  
American National Bank,  
Richmond, Virginia.

Dear Sir:--

Your favor of the 28th ult. came in just as I was leaving for a trip South. It was necessary at that time to postpone writing you until I returned. Though I have been back to the city several days now your letter escaped my attention until now, and in reply I beg to say that for a number of reasons (that I am too poor a letter-writer to explain) I believe that Richmond would be the best location for a Regional Bank for this vicinity.

While on my trip I talked with a number of business men in the States of North and South Carolina and they are practically a unit in favor of Richmond. In the Northern part of Georgia, too, I found a number of people who favored Richmond above all other cities. Speaking personally, I call you attention to the fact, which you probably already know, that during the past ten or twelve years I have had and executed many contracts in the States of West Virginia, Kentucky, Indiana, North Carolina, Georgia and Alabama. These were all directed from this office, and I had occasion to make frequent trips in connection with these contracts to the various locations of the structures. Had not Richmond been a good central point it would have been impossible for me to have handled these contracts, except at so great a disadvantage, that I could not have possible made any money on them. As for the banking feature of this matter, my time reports on each of these operations were and are sent to this office each week, and the check for pay-roll is returned in nearly every case in ample time to pay off the men at the end of the week. My working-week ends on Wednesday night. This, as I see it, is a very good illustration of Richmond's accessibility to the South and the States immediately surrounding it in other directions.

Yours very truly,

A. M. W. / C.

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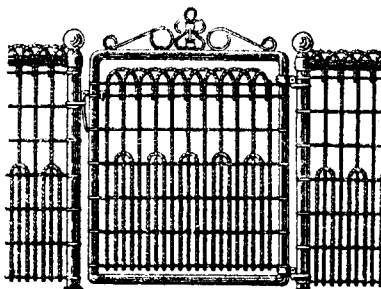
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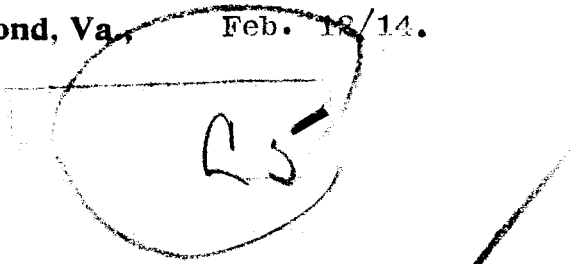
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H. M. BASKERVILLE, Vice-President.  
J. J. SUTTON, Secretary.

Richmond, Va., Feb. 18/14.

Hon. W. G. McAdoo, Sec.-Treas.,  
Washington, D.C.



Dear Sir:-

As all of the manufacturers and dealers in Richmond are vitally concerned in the question of the Regional Reserve Banks, we take the liberty of asking that you will consider this city favorably. Our favorable situation as to quick communication with more southern points, it seems to us ought to carry a great deal of weight with it.

Only one other southern city approaches anywhere near us in Banking capitol, reserve and deposits and the enclosed little circular gotten out by our Chamber of Commerce will upon examination show you why Richmond is logically the place for a Reserve Bank.

We respectfully add our request to the thousands of similar requests that you have recently received for the favorable consideration of Richmond, which to Virginians is the greatest City under the sun except Washington.

Yours truly,

THE WATT PLOW CO.

*A. Sinton*

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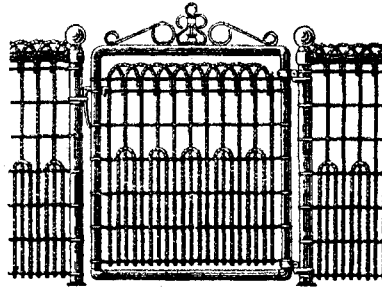
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J. J. SUTTON, Secretary.

Richmond, Va., Feb. 12/14.

Hon. John Skelton Williams,

Comptroller of Currency-

Washington, D.C.

Dear Sir:-

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Yours truly,

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*A. C. Sinton*  
President

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*Richmond, Va.* January 3<sup>rd</sup>, 1914.

Oliver J. Sands, Esq.,  
 Richmond, Va.

Dear Sir:

Yours of the 28th received.

I think Richmond is entitled to a Federal Reserve Bank for the reason that it is looked upon as the business centre of the southeastern States. It is a large manufacturing and trade centre for the people of North Carolina, South Carolina, Georgia and Florida.

Yours very truly,

*Langbourne M. Williams*

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*Richmond, Va., Jan 31st 1914.*

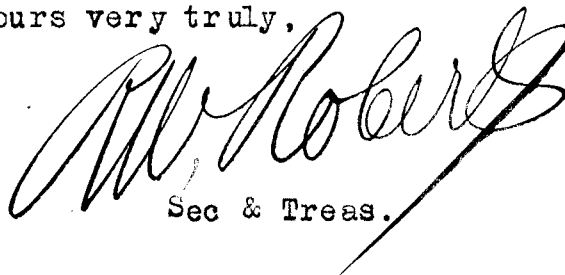
Mr. O. S. Sands, Chrm,  
City.

Dear Sir:-

Richmond serves a much larger territory more satisfactorily, being so enabled by it's location and railway facilities, besides being practically the only City in position to render efficient and prompt service, commercially and financially to the South Atlantic States. I think that these reasons should be sufficient for the location in Richmond of a Federal Reserve Bank.

Yours very truly,

RWR/S

  
Sec & Treas.