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U.S. Federal Reserve Bank Organization
Committee.
Exhibits and letters submitted at
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THE MERCHANTS NATIONAL BANK

FORT SMITH, ARKANSAS.

OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT.

Alma - Post

1/16/14

The Reserve Bank Organization Committee
at Saint Louis, Mo.

Gentlemen:

It is our earnest desire that the
Regional Reserve Bank for this district
be located at Saint Louis, Mo.

Respectfully,

Paul of Alma
L W Blackbush

J. H. COLE, PRESIDENT
J. T. RICHARDS, VICE PRESIDENT

O. B. RAGON, CASHIER
W. M. JONES, ASS'T CASHIER

COMMERCIAL BANK

Capital Stock \$25,000.00

Alma, Arkansas

1/14/14

The Reserve Bank Organization Committee.

Saint Louis Mo.

Gentlemen:-

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Reserve Bank for this district be located at Saint Louis Mo.

Respectfully,

Commercial Bank
O. B. Ragon Cashier

THE MERCHANTS NATIONAL BANK
FORT SMITH, ARKANSAS.
OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT.

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THE MERCHANTS NATIONAL BANK

FORT SMITH, ARKANSAS.

OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT.

Arthur C. Burr
1-16-1914

The Reserve Bank Organization Committee
at Saint Louis, Mo.

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Respectfully,

German C. Burr
By J. D. Adams
Secretary



R. W. Huie, President
N. D. Huie, Vice-President

James H. Abraham, Cashier
W. Huie, Assistant Cashier

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CITIZENS NATIONAL BANK

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DIRECTORS

R. W. Huie
J. E. Callaway
E. W. Thomas

J. H. Abraham
T. A. Tennyson
N. D. Huie

ARKADELPHIA, ARK.,

Jan. 13, 1914.

Hon. W. G. MeAdoo, Chairman,
Reserve Bank Organization Committee,
Washington, D. C.

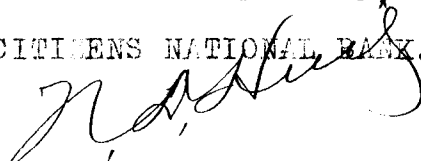
Dear Sir:

Beg to hand you herewith resolution of acceptance of the Citizens National Bank of Arkadelphia, Arkansas, #10087. We respectfully request that this territory be embraced in that covered by the ~~St. Louis Reserve Bank~~, as all of our past business relations have been in that city and transportation facilities are such that it would be almost impossible to transact business from other points mentioned in prospective locations.

With best wishes for the success of the Organization Committee, We are

Form *LS*

Yours very truly,
CITIZENS NATIONAL BANK.



Vice Pres't.

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ANSWERED
JAN 19 1914
FORM *LS*

Exhibit 4

C. G. HENDERSON, PRES.
J. S. CARGILE, VICE-PRES.

CAPITAL PAID \$110,000.00.
SURPLUS \$25,000.00.

W. E. BARKMAN, CASHIER.
S. J. DEAN, ASST. CASHIER.

ESTABLISHED 1884

Elk Horn Bank and Trust Co.


Arkadelphia, Ark. January 15th. 1914.

Boatmens Bank,
St. Louis, Mo.

Gentlemen-

I have received and read the circular letter sent out by your Clearing House Association, and am writing you to say, it is my desire that our institution be in the St. Louis district for The Federal Reserve Banks. You are at liberty to place this letter in the hands of the Organization Committee which meets in your city January 21st as it is my desire to give this committee all the assistance in the matter I can.

Very truly yours,


-----Cashier.



C.G. HENDERSON, PRES.
J.S. CARGIL, VICE-PRES.

CAPITAL PAID \$ 110,000.00.
SURPLUS \$ 25,000.00.

W. E. MARKMAN, CASHIER.
S. C. DEAN, ASST. CASHIER.

ESTABLISHED 1884

Elk Horn Bank and Trust Co.

Arkadelphia, Ark.

January. 16th. 1914.

Little Rock Clearing House Association

Little Rock, Arkansas.

Gentlemen-.

Giving reference to your letter of the 13th, beg to advise that I have read same and have carefully considered contents.

I endorse the action taken by your association on January 12th believing you have a correct idea of the situation, and any thing I can do for the betterment of the banking business I shall be glad to give you a helping hand.

I am by this mail writing our St. Louis correspondents advocating the organization as you have outlined. If in your judgement this will be of any assistance to your committee in ^{the} pusing the matter through you are at liberty to make use of same.

Very truly yours.


----- Cashier.

G. C. HENDERSON, Pres.
J. S. GARGILE, Vice-Pres.

CAPITAL PAID \$ 110,000.00.
SURPLUS \$ 25,000.00.

W. E. BARKMAN, Cashier.
S. J. DEAN, Asst. Cashier.

ESTABLISHED 1884

Elk Horn Bank and Trust Co.

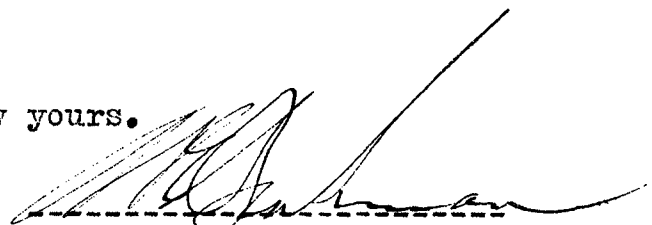
Arkadelphia, Ark. January. 16th. 1914.

National Bank of Commerce,
St. Louis, Missouri.

Gentlemen-

It is my desire that our institution be in the St. Louis district for the Federal Reserve Banks. I notice from a circular letter issued by your Clearing House Association January 13th, that the organization committee meets in your city January 21st. If you think it the proper thing to be done, I would be glad for you to place this letter in the hands of this committee that it may serve the purpose for which it is intended. If I can be used to further assist in the matter command me.

Very truly yours.



CASHIER.

C. C. HENDERSON, PREST.
J. S. CARGILE, VICE-PREST.

CAPITAL PAID \$ 110,000.00.
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S. J. DEAN, ASST. CASHIER.

ESTABLISHED 1884

Elk Horn Bank and Trust Co.

Arkadelphia, Ark. January. 16th. 1914.

Mechanics American National Bank,
St. Louis, Missouri.

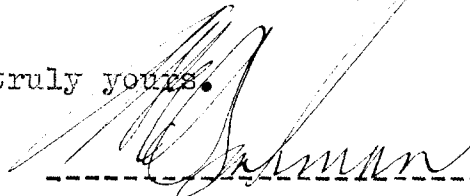
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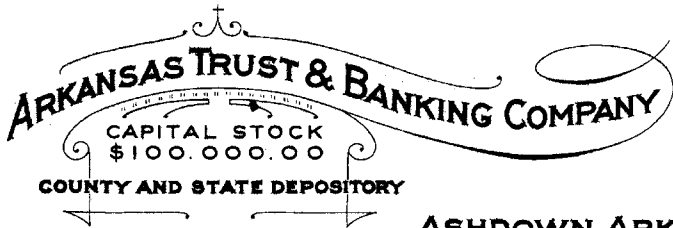
The purpose of this letter is to say, I fully endorse the circular letter issued by your Clearing House Association January 13th.

It is my desire that our institution be in the St. Louis district for the Federal Reserve Banks. If in your judgement this letter will be of any service to the Organization Committee which meets in your city January 21st, you are at liberty to place same in their hands that it may serve the purpose for which it is intended.

If I can be of further service to your Clearing House Association in the matter I shall be glad to have you command me.

Very truly yours.


-----Cashier.



J. M. JOHNSON, PRESIDENT.
W. E. KINSWORTHY, 1ST. VICE-PRES.
A. T. BELLER, 2ND. VICE-PRES.
J. E. COLLINS, CASHIER.
H. T. HUNT, ASST. CASHIER.

ASHDOWN, ARK. Jan. 16th, 1913.

The Reserve Bank Organization Committee
at St. Louis, Mo.

Gentlemen:

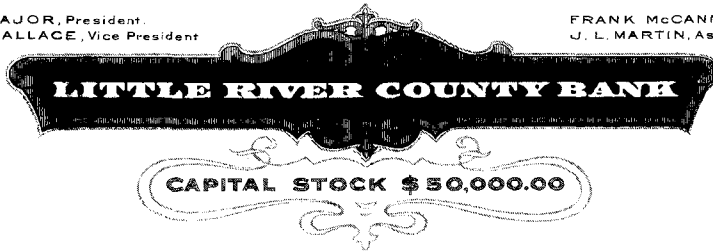
It is our earnest desire that the
Regional Reserve Bank for this district
be located at Saint Louis, Mo.

Respectfully,

President.

R. E. MAJOR, President
J. H. WALLACE, Vice President

FRANK McCANN, Cashier
J. L. MARTIN, Assistant Cashier



Ashdown, Arkansas Jan. 15th. 1914.

Mechanics American Nat. Bank,
St. Louis, Mo.

Gentlemen:-

Regarding the Federal Reserve Banks, it is our hope and desire that we may be included in the district which has St. Louis as its center. We feel that St. Louis is the logical center for us and we have always transacted the bulk of our business through St. Louis and would feel very much disappointed and we believe it would seriously hamper our business to have any other City than St. Louis for the Federal Reserve Bank for our section. It is our intention to Nationalize in the next thirty days and it is our earnest desire that we be included in your district.

Trusting that the Federal Board will see the situation in the same light that we do, I am,

Very truly yours,

Frank McCann
cashier.

R. E. MAJOR, President
J. H. WALLACE, Vice President

FRANK McCANN, Cashier
J. L. MARTIN, Assistant Cashier



Ashdown, Arkansas Jan. 17th. 1914.

Mr. C.P. Perrie,

Little Rock, Ark.

Dear Sir:-

Replying to your favor of the 13th. inst. regarding the Federal Reserve Bank at St. Louis, Mo., beg to advise that we have already written the Mechanics American Nat. Bank of St. Louis, Mo., stating that we very much desired to be included in their district.

Trusting the information given will be of some value to you, I am,

Very truly yours,

Frank McCann
cashier.

LITTLE ROCK CLEARING HOUSE ASSOCIATION

J. S. POLLOCK,
MANAGER.

LITTLE ROCK, ARK.

January 13, 1914.

Bank of Atkins,

Atkins, Ark.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Little Rock Clearing House Association, held on January 12th, 1914, the unanimous opinion was, that St. Louis should be designated as a Federal Reserve City and that it was of vital importance that Arkansas should be in the Federal Reserve District of the St. Louis Federal Reserve Bank.

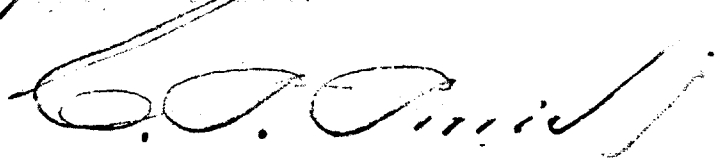
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Any Arkansas Banker who would lend his aid would be a welcome addition to the Clearing House Committee on the trip to St. Louis, and it would certainly add strength if your institution would prepare a resolution or letter advocating the Organization Committee reaching a decision as above outlined.

Please send us this communication as soon as possible using the enclosed stamped envelope addressed to the writer.

Thanking you in advance, I am,

Yours very truly,



Secretary L. R. Clearing
House Association.

JAN 16 1914

*Mr. L. R. Clearing House Association
St. Louis
An Arkansas Banker
Beauregard*

Bank of Atkins,

PAID UP CAPITAL IN CASH \$50,000.00 SURPLUS & UNDIVIDED PROFITS \$5,000.00

E. A. DARR, PRESIDENT
DR. J. L. GRIFFIN, VICE PRES.
J. M. BARKER, CASHIER.

ATKINS, ARK.

JAN 14 1914



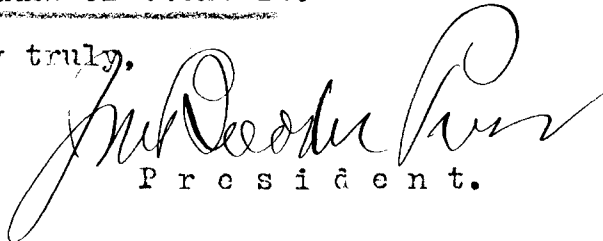
Mechanics -American National Bank,

St. Louis, Mo.

Gentlemen:-

We feel that it would be a disxtinct loss to this whole se
section, if we were not placed with in the same Federal
Bank district, with the banks of St. Louis.

Yours very truly,


P r e s i d e n t .

Bank of Atkins,

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E. A. DARR, PRESIDENT.
DR. J. L. GRIFFIN, VICE PRES.
J. M. BARKER, CASHIER.

ATKINS, ARK.

JAN 14 1914

Third National Bank,
St. Louis, Mo.

Gentlemen:-

We are certain that it would be a great loss to this whole section, if we were not included within the same Federal Reserve Bank district, with the banks of St. Louis.

Yours very truly,


P r e s i d e n t .

Bank of Atkins,

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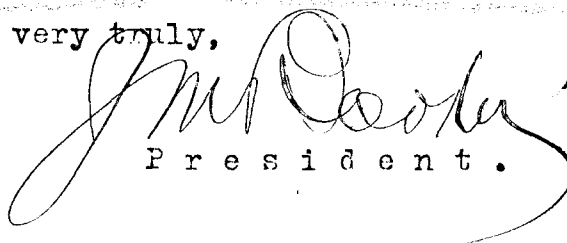
JAN 14 1914

Merchants-Laclede National Bank,
St. Louis, Mo.

Gentlemen:-

In making up the districts for the Federal Reserve Banks,
we wish to state, in as strong way as possible, that this
bank desires to be in the same district, that the banks of
your city, will be located in, we feel that it would be a
real loss to this whole section, if we were placed otherwise.

Yours very truly,


P r e s i d e n t .

R. T. HARVILLE, PRESIDENT.

F. H. KITTRELL, VICE PRESIDENT.

T. E. BONNER, CASHIER.

Woodruff County Bank

CAPITAL STOCK \$25,000.00.
SURPLUS \$ 5,000.00

Augusta, Ark. Jan. 17th, 1914

Mr. C. P. Perrie, Secy.

Little Rock Clearing House,
Little Rock, Ark.,

Dear Sir:-

Replying to yours 13th,

We heartily concur in the proposition of locating a "Regional Bank"
in the city of St. Louis, Mo.,

Four fifths of our business (both Mercantile and Banking)
of this territory is done with St. Louis.

Very Truly,



Cashier.

Little Rock Clearing House Association

J. S. POLLOCK,
MANAGER.

Little Rock, Ark.

January 13, 1914.

First National Bank,
Batesville, Ark.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Little Rock Clearing House Association, held on January 12th, 1914, the unanimous opinion was, that St. Louis should be designated as a Federal Reserve City and that it was of vital importance that Arkansas should be in the Federal Reserve District of the St. Louis Federal Reserve Bank.

Seven representatives of the clearing House, the Secretary of the Board of Trade and Secretary of the Chamber of Commerce were constituted a committee to appear before the "Reserve Bank Organization Committee" in St. Louis on January 22nd. and 23rd, and urge such action.

Any Arkansas Banker who would lend his aid would be a welcome addition to the Clearing House Committee on the trip to St. Louis, and it would certainly add strength if your institution would prepare a resolution or letter advocating the Organization Committee reaching a decision as above outlined.

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Thanking you in advance, I am,

Yours very truly,

Secretary L. R. Clearing
House Association.

By Mr. Ferric:-

We wrote Mr. Watts of the 3rd National and Mr. Lewis of Commerce as soon as the Federal Reserve Act became a law, and assured them that North Ark. wanted St. Louis to be the seat of one of the Regional banks. We have more recently addressed a letter to the Organization Committee and sent it to the St. L. Clearing House Association, setting out our reasons for favoring St. Louis.

N.A. ADLER,
PRESIDENT.
J.P. COFFIN,
VICE-PRES.
W.J. ERWIN,
VICE-PRES.



J.N.O. Q. WOLF,
CASHIER.
ROBT. NEILL,
ASST. CASHIER.
H.M. KENNERLY,
ASST. CASHIER.

CAPITAL \$ 100,000.00
SURPLUS \$ 10,000.00

Jan. 14, 1914.

St. Louis Clearing House Association,

Saint Louis, Mo.

Gentlemen:-

Upon the Federal Reserve Act becoming a law we wrote Mr. Lewis of the National Bank of Commerce and Mr. Watts of the Third National that this section of Arkansas would be heartily in favor of St. Louis having one of the Regional Reserve Banks, on account of accessibility and the further fact that ninety per cent of the trade of this section is with St. Louis.

We are enclosing herewith a letter to the Organization Committee setting forth our preferences in the matter.

Very truly yours,


Cashier.

N. A. ADLER,
PRESIDENT.
J. P. COFFIN,
VICE-PRES.
W. J. ERWIN,
VICE-PRES.



J. N. Q. WOLF,
CASHIER.
ROBT. NEILL,
ASST. CASHIER.
H. M. KENNERLY,
ASST. CASHIER.

CAPITAL \$ 100,000.00
SURPLUS \$ 10,000.00

Jan. 14, 1914.

The Organization Committee,
Federal Reserve System.

Gentlemen:-

We are sure we voice the feeling of North Arkansas when we say we hope to see St. Louis favored with one of the Regional Reserve Banks.

Our railroad facilities force us to St. Louis, even if other markets were nearer. But on account of St. Louis' great advantage as a manufacturing and jobbing center this section of the State finds it decidedly advantageous to trade with that city. Hence it is that St. Louis has long been our banking center and it would be rather inconvenient to do our banking elsewhere. In no other line of business is the saving of time more important than in the banking business and in this respect St. Louis has a decided advantage over any other city so far as this State, as a whole, is concerned.

Respectfully,

J. N. Q. Wolf
Cashier.

D. D. ADAMS, FIRST VICE-PRESIDENT.
E. H. GLENN, SECOND VICE-PRESIDENT.

J. E. ROSEBROUGH, PRESIDENT.

C. D. METZ, CASHIER.
ALBERT J. SIMS, ASST. CASHIER.



UNION BANK & TRUST CO.

BATESVILLE, ARK.

January 16, 1914.

Mr. C. P. Perrie, Secretary,
Little Rock Clearing House Association,
Little Rock, Ark.

Dear Sir:-

Regarding the matter of the location of the Federal Reserve Banks, we some time ago had a communication from our Memphis correspondent along the same line as your recent letter asking our assistance in securing a Reserve Bank for Memphis.

When we complied with their request, we had no idea at the time that a selection of Memphis would in any way counteract any desire to make St. Louis one of the centers, as it goes without saying that nine-tenths of our business of this section is with St. Louis, and we of course would first of all favor the location of one of the banks there.

We were impressed at the time of the desire of our Memphis folks to make Memphis one of our Southern banks, and being situated in the center of the South, we took pleasure in giving the little assistance asked from us.

However, we wish to emphasize the fact that our business relations of this entire section of the state is almost wholly with St. Louis concerns, and as long as it is out of the question to advocate a Reserve Bank for Little Rock, our capital, we are ready to insist first, last, and all the time, that one of the banks must be located in St. Louis in order to properly serve this section of the country.

Our business being almost exclusively with St. Louis banks, we take it there is not much need of further action by us here, but we wish to add that if you desire anything further in the matter which you think we can offer in assisting your good efforts, only let us know it, as we are ready to do whatever is needed in case the situation should show the least bit seriousness in the matter of the selection of St. Louis as one of the centers.

Yours very truly,

Cashier.

Little Rock Clearing House Association

J. S. POLLOCK,
MANAGER.

Little Rock, Ark.

January 13, 1914.

Bank of Bay,

Bay, Ark.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Little Rock Clearing House Association, held on January 12th, 1914, the unanimous opinion was, that St. Louis should be designated as a Federal Reserve City and that it was of vital importance that Arkansas should be in the Federal Reserve District of the St. Louis Federal Reserve Bank.


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Please send us this communication as soon as possible using the enclosed stamped envelope addressed to the writer.

Thanking you in advance, I am,

Yours very truly,



Secretary L. R. Clearing
House Association.

We have written our St. Louis correspondent, The Third National Bank, that we are fully in accord with them, and to command us if there is any help needed we can render. We thank you for your kindness.

Yours truly, Bank of B
ay.

J. E. CRAWFORD, PRESIDENT

T. J. ELDER, VICE-PRESIDENT

W. P. STEVENS, CASHIER

BANK OF BAY

CAPITAL STOCK
\$20,000.00

BAY, ARKANSAS.

Jany. 16th, 1914.

Mr. J.R. Cooke, Cashier,

Third National Bank, St. Louis, Mo.

Dear Sir: In regard to a Federal Reserve Bank in St. Louis we are heartily in favor of it and to that end you may use our name. If we can be of any assistance in helping, we beg you to command us.

Respy Yours,

Bank of Bay

By



Cashier

THE MERCHANTS NATIONAL BANK

FORT SMITH, ARKANSAS.

OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT.

The Reserve Bank Organization Committee
at Saint Louis, Mo.

Gentlemen:

It is our earnest desire that the
Regional Reserve Bank for this district
be located at Saint Louis, Mo.

Respectfully,

**FIRST NATIONAL BANK
BENTONVILLE, ARK.**

By J. M. Hill Cashier

THE MERCHANTS NATIONAL BANK

FORT SMITH, ARKANSAS.

OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT.

Bentonville, Ark.
1/16/14

The Reserve Bank Organization Committee
at Saint Louis, Mo.

Gentlemen:

It is our earnest desire that the
Regional Reserve Bank for this district
be located at Saint Louis, Mo.

Respectfully,

*First State Bank,
Bentonville, Ark.*

*by E. R. Berry
Cashier*

NO. 10406

First National Bank

CAPITAL \$ 50,000.00

W. P. GEORGE,
PRESIDENT
D. J. WEST,
VICE-PRESIDENT
B. O. GEORGE,
CASHIER
H. MOLLOY,
ASST. CASHIER

Berryville, Ark.

1/15/14.

National Bank of Commerce,
St. Louis, Mo.

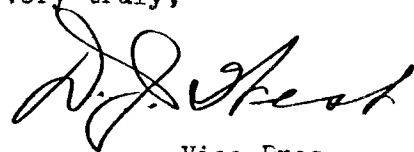
Gentlemen;

We will be pleased if you will use your influence to have St. Louis designated as one of the Reserve Centers.

~~St. Louis has long been the metropolis of this section . Over 90% of the business of this section during the 25 years this bank has been organized has been with St. Louis.~~ We feel therefore the Organization committee will make no mistake in designating St. Louis as one of the points in which to establish a Federal Reserve Bank.

Thanking you in advance for your attention to this matter, we are,

Yours very truly,



Vice Pres.

NO. 10406

First National Bank

W. P. GEORGE,
PRESIDENT
D. J. WEST,
VICE-PRESIDENT
B. O. GEORGE,
CASHIER
V. H. MOLLOY,
ASST. CASHIER

CAPITAL \$ 50,000.00

Berryville, Ark.

1/17/14.

Mr. C. P. Perrie, Secretary,
L. R. Clearing House Association,
Little Rock, Ark.

Dear Sir:

We will very much appreciate your using your influence with the Reserve Bank Organization Committee to have Arkansas placed in the Federal Reserve District of St. Louis.

During the twenty-five years this bank has been established, over 90% of our business has been with St. Louis. We therefore feel it would work a hardship on the business interests of the state for Arkansas to be placed in any other territory.

Yours very truly,


Vice Pres.

S. C. TIPTON, PRESIDENT

B. F. BIGGER, VICE-PRESIDENT

S. E. BABB, CASHIER

BANK OF BIGGERS
PAID UP CAPITAL STOCK \$10,000.00

BIGGERS, ARK.,

Jan. 15, 1914.

Third National Bank,
St. Louis, Mo.

Gentlemen:

Believing that St. Louis is the
proper city to have the Federal Reserve Bank
of this district in, we would like to have
this bank placed in that district.

Very truly yours,



THE MERCHANTS NATIONAL BANK

FORT SMITH, ARKANSAS.

OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT.

Boaswiler

Jan 17-14

The Reserve Bank Organization Committee
at Saint Louis, Mo.

Gentlemen:

It is our earnest desire that the
Regional Reserve Bank for this district
be located at Saint Louis, Mo.

Respectfully,

Boaswiler
By L. J. Green

THE MERCHANTS NATIONAL BANK

FORT SMITH, ARKANSAS.

OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT.

Booneville, Arkansas.

Jan. 16th, 1914.

The Reserve Bank Organization Committee
at Saint Louis, Mo.

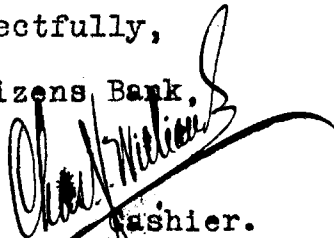
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It is our earnest desire that the
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be located at Saint Louis, Mo.

Respectfully,

Citizens Bank.

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A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Charles W. McLean", written over a horizontal line. The signature is slanted and has a decorative flourish at the end.

Cashier.

THE MERCHANTS NATIONAL BANK

FORT SMITH, ARKANSAS.

OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT.

Remover. Ark.

Jan. 16 1914

The Reserve Bank Organization Committee
at Saint Louis, Mo.

Gentlemen:

It is our earnest desire that the
Regional Reserve Bank for this district
be located at Saint Louis, Mo.

Respectfully,

Board of Loan with
By J. H. Pyatt
Cashier

HENRY L. BERG,
PRESIDENT.

J. H. MORGAN,
VICE PRESIDENT.

D. V. SNOW,
CASHIER.

M. E. FAHY,
ASSISTANT CASHIER.



THE OLDEST BANK IN
SOUTHWESTERN ARK.

CAPITAL \$ 50,000⁰⁰ SURPLUS \$ 75,000⁰⁰

GAZZE & COURTS, BALTIMORE

Camden, Ark. Jan. 20 1914.

Mr. C. P. Perrie Secretary,
 Little Rock Clearing House Assn.
 Little Rock, Ark.

Dear Sir;-

I have your letter of the 13th in regard to location of the Regional Reserve Bank for this District, and I do not see that we could get along in any other than the St. Louis District.

We issue 75% of all our drafts on St. Louis and nearly all of the dry goods, groceries, hardware and many other lines sold here come from the St. Louis wholesale houses.

We hope you will be able to get a good strong delegation to go to St. Louis on the 22nd and have us put in the St. Louis District and if we can be of any benefit by going, we will be glad to send a representative.

Yours very truly

[Handwritten Signature]
 Cashier.

Geo. L. Ritchie, President.

W. W. Brown, Vice Pres.

L. Bauerlein, Asst. Cashier.



The Quachita Valley Bank,

*Capital paid in \$50,000.00.
Surplus \$50,000.00.*

Camden, Ark., January 14th, 1914.

J. S. Calfee, Esq., Cashier,
Mechanics-American Natn'l Bank,
St. Louis, Mo.

Dear Sir:-

We are very much in hopes that St. Louis will receive one of the Federal Reserve Banks. We think that it is so located as to be a logical point for a great section of territory and if there is anything that we can do to assist in having one established there, advise us and we will be glad to do what we can.

Trusting that your good town will receive one of the Federal Reserve Banks, we are,

Very truly,

Cashier.

J. G. MCANDREW, PRESIDENT

W. E. TALLEY, VICE PRESIDENT

W. HURD, CASHIER

THE BANK OF CAVE SPRINGS

CAPITAL STOCK \$10,000

CAVE SPRINGS, ARK.,

Jany. 17th, 1914.

C. P. Peirce,
Secy. L. H. Clearing House Association,
Little Rock, Ark.

Dear Sir:-

As St. Louis, is our commercial center as well as
our financial center, we earnestly insist that it should be
designated as Federal Reserve City.

Very truly,

BANK OF CAVE SPRINGS,

 Cashier.

THE MERCHANTS NATIONAL BANK

FORT SMITH, ARKANSAS.

OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT.

Cave Springs Ark.
JAN 17 1914.

The Reserve Bank Organization Committee
at Saint Louis, Mo.

Gentlemen:

It is our earnest desire that the
Regional Reserve Bank for this district
be located at Saint Louis, Mo.

Respectfully,

THE BANK OF CAVE SPRINGS,

J. W. Ford
Cashier

J. C. FARIS, PRESIDENT

A. G. BOYLE, VICE-PRESIDENT

S. J. ANDERSON, CASHIER

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THE BANK OF CENTERTON

AUTHORIZED CAPITAL \$25,000.00

CENTERTON, ARKANSAS Jan. 14th 1914.

Mechanics-American Natl Bank,
St Louis, Mo.

W:

Gentlemen:-

In reply to the clearing House inquiry as to where we would rather have the Reserve Bank for this district, we very much favor St Louis.

First, we have much better mail service to St Louis than to either Kansas City or Memphis both of which, we understand, want to be the center of a district including Arkansas.

Second, St Louis is the natural business center of this section. Our merchants buy there, and most of our stock is shipped there.

Very respectfully,
S. J. Anderson,
cash.

Little Rock Clearing House Association

J. S. POLLOCK,
MANAGER.

Little Rock, Ark.

January 13, 1914.

Bank of Commerce,
Centerton, Ark.

Gentlemen:-

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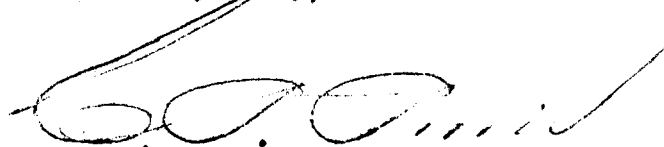
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Thanking you in advance, I am,

Yours very truly,



Secretary L. R. Clearing
House Association.

We have placed a ~~community~~
letter of the kind you desire
in the hands of our St. Louis
correspondent. We believe
that will be sufficient, as
two letters would do no more
good than one. We are
heartily in favor of St. Louis.

Very truly
S. Anderson
Cash,

Little Rock Clearing House Association

J. S. POLLOCK,
MANAGER.

Little Rock, Ark.

January 13, 1914.

Bank of Charleston,
Charleston, Ark.

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Yours very truly,

Secretary L. R. Clearing
House Association.

*Mr. J. S. Pollock
of
Little Rock
Ark.
has
sent
me
this
letter
and
I
am
sending
it
to
you
for
your
information
and
action
if
desired.*

THE MERCHANTS NATIONAL BANK

FORT SMITH, ARKANSAS.

OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT.

*Bank of Charleston
Charleston Ark.*

The Reserve Bank Organization Committee
at Saint Louis, Mo.

Gentlemen:

It is our earnest desire that the
Regional Reserve Bank for this district
be located at Saint Louis, Mo.

Respectfully,

*J. D. Smith
Cashier*

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FORT SMITH, ARKANSAS.

OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT.

Bank of Charleston
Charleston Ark.

The Reserve Bank Organization Committee
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Respectfully,

J. O. Smith
President

THE MERCHANTS NATIONAL BANK

FORT SMITH, ARKANSAS.

OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT.

Chester Ark

Jan 18 - 1901

The Reserve Bank Organization Committee
at Saint Louis, Mo.

Gentlemen:

It is our earnest desire that the
Regional Reserve Bank for this district
be located at Saint Louis, Mo.

Respectfully,

Bank of Commerce
Per W. Smith
Cashier

M.A. LUCAS, PRESIDENT.

ED. MAY, VICE PRESIDENT.

JNO. M. DAVIS, CASHIER.

E. I. PYLE, ASST. CASHIER.



Bank of Clarksville

Geo. D. Barkard & Co. St. Louis

CLARKSVILLE, ARK.

Jan 16th 1914.

Mr. O. P. Perrie, Secretary,

Little Rock Clearing House Assn.,

Little Rock, Arkansas.

Dear sir.

This Bank is highly in favor of St. Louis, Mo. being designated as a Federal Reserve City. Trusting that your efforts to that end will be successful, we remain

Yours truly,

M. A. Lucas

Cashier.

LITTLE ROCK CLEARING HOUSE ASSOCIATION

J. S. POLLOCK,
MANAGER.

LITTLE ROCK, ARK.

January 13, 1914.

First National Bank,
Clarksville, Ark.

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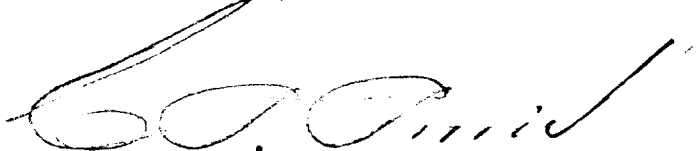
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Thanking you in advance, I am,

Yours very truly,



Secretary L. R. Clearing
House Association.

Dear Mr. Perrie:- We have already signed a similar request for our Ft. Smith correspondent whom we presume will visit St. Louis on the 22nd. Have also written our St. Louis correspondent requesting that they use their efforts toward having Arkansas included in the St. Louis district. In view of this fact we presume it will not be necessary to write anything further.

Very truly



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First National Bank

C. E. ROBINSON, PRESIDENT.
W. J. BASHAM, VICE-PRESIDENT.
A. N. RAGON, CASHIER.
W. A. RAGON, ASST. CASHIER.

CAPITAL, \$25,000.00
SURPLUS & PROFITS, \$35,000.00

CLARKSVILLE, ARK., Jan. 14, 1914

Mechanics-American Nat. Bank,
St. Louis, Mo.

Gentlemen:-

I believe the Organization Committee, under the Federal Reserve Act, is to visit St. Louis on January twenty-first and we simply write to indorse St. Louis as the Reserve point for this district. Since practically all the Arkansas banks have always handled the bulk of their business through their St. Louis correspondents we believe the interests, and convenience, of Arkansas banks will best be served by a Federal bank located in St. Louis. I trust you may use every effort to have Arkansas embraced in the St. Louis district.

Yours very truly



Cashier

THE MERCHANTS NATIONAL BANK

FORT SMITH, ARKANSAS.
OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT.

Clarksville, Arkansas

January 16, 1914

The Reserve Bank Organization Committee
at Saint Louis, Mo.

Gentlemen:

It is our earnest desire that the
Regional Reserve Bank for this district
be located at Saint Louis, Mo.

Respectfully,

First National Bank

By



Cashier

THE MERCHANTS NATIONAL BANK

FORT SMITH, ARKANSAS.

OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT.

Clarksville Ark
January 16 1914

The Reserve Bank Organization Committee
at Saint Louis, Mo.

Gentlemen:

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Regional Reserve Bank for this district
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Respectfully,

Bank of Clarksville
By M. A. Lucas
Cashier

THE MERCHANTS NATIONAL BANK

FORT SMITH, ARKANSAS.
OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT.

Coal Hill Ark.

Jan. 16th. 1914

The Reserve Bank Organization Committee
at Saint Louis, Mo.

Gentlemen:

It is our earnest desire that the
Regional Reserve Bank for this district
be located at Saint Louis, Mo.

Respectfully,

CITIZENS BANK.

A. G. Mills Cashier.

S. G. SMITH, PRESIDENT
WILEY MOSLEY, VICE-PRESIDENT

FRANK FARRIS, CASHIER
JOE SETZLER, ASST. CASHIER

Farmers State Bank

CAPITAL \$60,000.00

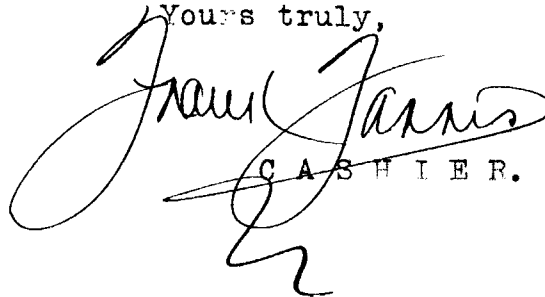
CONWAY, ARK. January 14, 1914.

Mechanics-American National Bank,
St. Louis, Mo.

Gentlemen:

We will be glad to have you express our desire to have Saint Louis named as one of the reserve centers, as fully ninety per cent of our business is handled thru Little Rock and thence to St. Louis, or direct to St. Louis. Any further overtures we can make to the Board will be done gladly

Yours truly,


CASHIER.

FF:HJ

S. G. SMITH, PRESIDENT
WILEY MOSLEY, VICE-PRESIDENT

FRANK FARRIS, CASHIER
JOE SETZLER, ASST. CASHIER

X-R.CO.

Farmers State Bank

CAPITAL \$60,000.00

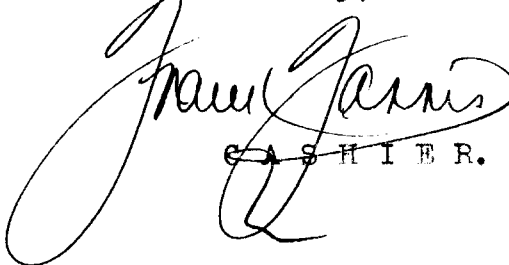
CONWAY, ARK. January 15, 1914.

Mr. C. P. Perrie,
Sec'y Little Rock Clearing House Ass'n,
Little Rock, Ark.

Dear Sir:

We desire very much that Saint Louis be designated as a federal reserve city, and also that Arkansas be included in the St. Louis reserve district. This matter was thoroughly discussed by our Directors in their recent meeting, but no resolution passed. However, any pressure that we can bring to bear on the committee will be done upon further advice from you.

Yours truly,


CASHIER.

FF:HJ



Jan. 16th, 1914.

Reserve Bank Organization Committee,
St. Louis, Mo.

Gentlemen:-

We wish to add our endorsement to the resolutions adopted by the Little Rock Clearing House Association, and earnestly request that you designate St. Louis as a Reserve City and that the State of Arkansas be included in its district.

Fully 90% of the business of this bank comes through St. Louis Banks and we feel that we belong in their district.

Yours very truly,



Cashier.

D. HOPSON, PRESIDENT
A. R. SIMPSON, VICE PRESIDENT
ABE BROWN, VICE PRESIDENT
S. P. LINDSEY, CASHIER
PERRY SIMPSON, ASS'T CASHIER

NO. 7311

The First National Bank

CAPITAL AND SHAREHOLDERS LIABILITY, \$80,000.00

Corning, Arkansas

Jany. 14th. 1914.

Third National Bank,

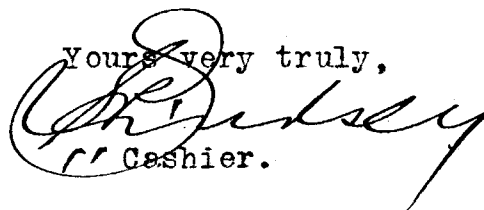
St. Louis, Mo.

Gentlemen:--

We are very anxious that your City be made and named for one of the Federal Reserve Banks and that our territory be made a part of this district. You are so located that the south and west look to your good City during the moving of crops to take care of them, and we can get more free use in way of privileges from a Federal Reserve Bank located in your City that a farther away point.

Your City has been the reserve center for this section of the country so long that we could not look elsewhere nor get the favors as quick elsewhere as from your good City. We heartily recommend your City to the Federal Reserve Committee to make one of their Federal Reserve Banks located in your midst.

Yours very truly,


Cashier.

The Planters Bank

A. C. CARTER,
PRESIDENT.
F. P. HILL,
VICE-PRESIDENT.
H. C. ARGO,
CASHIER.
F. L. MAXWELL,
ASST. CASHIER.

CAPITAL STOCK \$ 50,000.00

COTTON PLANT, ARKANSAS Jan. 15, 1914.

The National Bank of Commerce,
Saint Louis, Mo.

Gentlemen:-

At the hearing of the Organization Committee of the Regional Reserve Districts to be held in your city on the 21st. we respectfully ask to be permitted to say; that we feel that the interests of our community will receive better service, and that the Reserve Bank in Saint Louis will be better equipped and most conversant with the needs and requirments of our section of the State than that of any other financial center where the location of a Reserve Bank is contemplated. It is our opinion that the most effective and satisfactory service will be obtained for us by this action of the Committee and we earnestly hope they will so approve it.

Yours very truly,

The Planters Bank,

Cotton Plant, Ark

by  Cashier.

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PRESIDENT.
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VICE-PRESIDENT.
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CASHIER.
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ASST. CASHIER.

CAPITAL STOCK \$ 50,000.00

COTTON PLANT, ARKANSAS, Jan. 16, 1914.

Little Rock Clearing House Assn.,


Little Rock, Ark.

Mr. C.P. Perrie, Secy.,

Dear Sir:-

We are in receipt of yours of the 17th. and beg to state in reply thereto, that we have written one of the member banks of the Saint Louis Clearing House Association that we are of the opinion that more effective service will be rendered this district by being included in the Saint Louis Reserve District, giving some of our reasons for this. However, we will be glad to endorse this through your Association and render any further service in our power to this end.

Yours very truly,


Cashier.

THE MERCHANTS NATIONAL BANK

FORT SMITH, ARKANSAS.
OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT.

Love Ark

JAN 16 1914

The Reserve Bank Organization Committee
at Saint Louis, Mo.

Gentlemen:

It is our earnest desire that the
Regional Reserve Bank for this district
be located at Saint Louis, Mo.

Respectfully,

W C Martin Cashier
Bank of Love
Love Ark

LITTLE ROCK CLEARING HOUSE ASSOCIATION

J. S. POLLOCK,
MANAGER.

LITTLE ROCK, ARK.

January 13, 1914.

Dardanelle Bank & Trust Co.,

Dardanelle, Ark.

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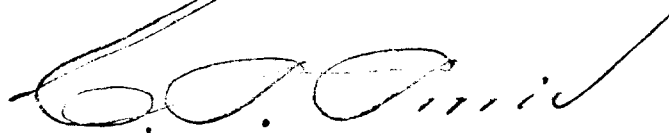
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Thanking you in advance, I am,

Yours very truly,



Secretary L. R. Clearing
House Association.

We believe that St. Louis should be designated as a Federal Reserve City: and have sent our instructions to the Merchants Natl Bank of St. Louis Ark

W. D. Cottonbush

DR. O. C. SIMS, President.

B. F. WEST, Vice-President.

G. N. GOODIER, Cashier.

THE FIRST STATE BANK.

Capital, \$25,000.

Dardanelle, Ark.,

July 16, 1914.

*The Reserve Bank Organization Com.,
at St. Louis Mo
Gentlemen:*

*It is our earnest desire that
the Regional Reserve Bank for this dis-
trict be located at St. Louis Mo*

*Very truly
First State Bank
Cashier*

LITTLE ROCK CLEARING HOUSE ASSOCIATION

J. S. POLLOCK,
MANAGER.

LITTLE ROCK, ARK.

January 18, 1914.

Farmers & Merchants Bank,

DeQueen, Ark.

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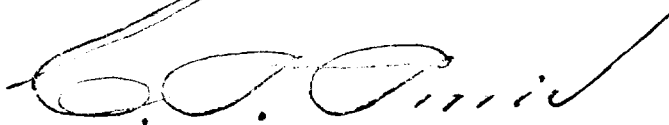
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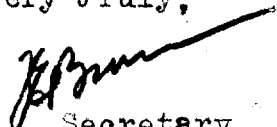
DeQueen, Ark.

Jan. 19th, 1914

Dear sir:-

We have sent a request through the First National Bank of Ft. Smith that St Louis be named and believe it will answer your purpose.

Yours very truly,


Secretary

THE MERCHANTS NATIONAL BANK

FORT SMITH, ARKANSAS.
OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT.

Donald A. M.
Jan 17 1914

The Reserve Bank Organization Committee
at Saint Louis, Mo.

Gentlemen:

It is our earnest desire that the
Regional Reserve Bank for this district
be located at Saint Louis, Mo.

Respectfully,
First State Bank

THE MERCHANTS NATIONAL BANK

FORT SMITH, ARKANSAS.

OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT.

De Gussen, Ark.

1/19/14

The Reserve Bank Organization Committee
at Saint Louis, Mo.

Gentlemen:

It is our earnest desire that the
Regional Reserve Bank for this district
be located at Saint Louis, Mo.

Respectfully,

FARMERS & MERCHANTS BANK & TRUST CO.

By H. Brown

Secretary

A. G. GIBSON

LITTLE ROCK CLEARING HOUSE ASSOCIATION

J. S. POLLOCK,
MANAGER.

LITTLE ROCK, ARK.

January 13, 1914.

Bank of Commerce,

DeVall Bluff, Ark.

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Yours very truly,

Secretary L. R. Clearing
House Association.

No such Bank here

THE MERCHANTS NATIONAL BANK

FORT SMITH, ARKANSAS.

OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT.

Stover, Ark
June 16, 1914

The Reserve Bank Organization Committee
at Saint Louis, Mo.

Gentlemen:

It is our earnest desire that the
Regional Reserve Bank for this district
be located at Saint Louis, Mo.

Respectfully,

W. H. Fisher
Bank of Over

MERCHANTS & FARMERS BANK
DUMAS, ARKANSAS

Jan. 16th., 1914.

Mr. C. P. Perrie,
Little Rock, Ark.

Dear Sir,

In connection with the matter of the Federal Reserve District, we wish to urge you and your cohorts to use your every effort to have Arkansas placed in the Federal Reserve District of the St. Louis Reserve Bank. Practically all of our out of State business is transacted at the present time through St. Louis, and we believe it would work a great hardship on all parties concerned to be so placed as to necessitate a change.

Trusting that you may be able to accomplish this, we are

Very truly Yours,

Lloyd R. Bryant
Cashier.

B/B.

LITTLE ROCK CLEARING HOUSE ASSOCIATION

J. S. POLLOCK,
MANAGER.

LITTLE ROCK, ARK.

January 13, 1914.

Bank of Dyer,
Dyer, Ark.

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Thanking you in advance, I am,

Yours very truly,

Secretary L. R. Clearing
House Association.

The letter just mailed over, equal to the merchants' list at St. Louis and of course they are for St. Louis

THE MERCHANTS NATIONAL BANK

FORT SMITH, ARKANSAS.

OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT.

Dyer H. N.

JAN 16 1914

The Reserve Bank Organization Committee
at Saint Louis, Mo.

Gentlemen:

It is our earnest desire that the
Regional Reserve Bank for this district
be located at Saint Louis, Mo.

Respectfully,

W. H. Burroughs
Clerk

Nº 7323.

THE CITIZENS' NATIONAL BANK

CAPITAL SURPLUS & PROFITS OVER \$110,000.00

GEO. S. MILES, Pres.
H. C. MCKINNEY, Vice Pres.
C. H. MURPHY, Cashier.
J. A. ROWLAND, Asst. Cashier.

EL DORADO, ARK.

Jan. 15th, 1914.

Mr. J. A. Lewis, Cashier.
National Bank Of Commerce.,
St. Louis, Mo.

Dear Sir:-----

I notice through the press, the Organization Committee for the Federal Reserve Bank, will be in your city on the 21st and 22nd insts., seeking for information to be used in districting the country in accordance with the Federal Reserve Act.

El Dorado is located in Union County, and borders on the Louisiana line, about the middle of the Southern boundary of the state.

All of our business in the way of banking, and flow of Exchanges and Currency moves towards St. Louis, and our merchants do most all of their buying in St. Louis, and if not in St. Louis, in Chicago and New York. It will be, therefore much more convenient to us for this section of Arkansas to be included in the St. Louis district with the Federal Reserve Bank located in your city. We believe it would prove a disadvantage to us to not be placed in the district with St. Louis the head office.

Yours very truly,

C. H. Murphy
Cashier.

Bank of England

PAID-UP CAPITAL \$50,000.00
SURPLUS..... \$ 15,000.00

GEO. W. MORRIS, PRESIDENT
R. C. WALKER, VICE-PRESIDENT
J. K. BRODIE, CASHIER
W. L. HOOVER, ASST. CASHIER

England, Ark. Jan 16th 191

Mr. L. P. Perie Secretary of the
Little Rock Clearing Association
Little Rock

Dear Sir:

The officers and Directors of the Bank of England, want St-Louis designated as a Federal Reserve City and that Arkansas should be included in the Federal Reserve District of such St-Louis Federal Reserve Banks.

Three fourths of all of our Banking business is done in St-Louis

Please instruct your Organization Committee to use their influence and urge such action in our behalf.

Very truly yours
Bank of England
By J. K. Brodie
Cashier

J. E. HICKS, PRESIDENT

H. GALLOWAY, VICE-PRESIDENT

J. R. ENGLAND, CASHIER

THE CITIZENS BANK

CAPITAL STOCK \$25,000.00

ENGLAND, ARK. January 19th., 1914.

Mechanics-American National Bank,
St. Louis, Mo.

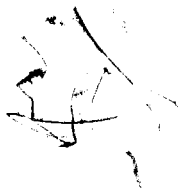
Gentlemen:--

In the consideration of the formation of the Reserve District to embrace Arkansas and fixing its Reserve City, no other city than St. Louis can be thought of if the business interests of this section is taken into consideration. Our merchants all go to St. Louis to buy their goods; our banks keep their principal accounts with the St. Louis banks and even St. Louis buyers handle the bulk of the cotton crop in this section- in short our business relations are almost exclusively with St. Louis; and to undertake to divert it into another, or any other channel, would greatly disturb us in every way and we cannot conceive it possible for the Commission to think of any other City being made the Reserve Center for this section than St. Louis. We trust that the relations now existing between your City and this section will be allowed to remain just as it has for these many long years, With best wishes

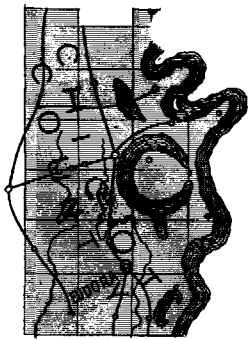
Yours truly,

The Citizens Bank

By  Cashier



DEMOCRAT CO. LITTLE ROCK.



THE BEST TOWN IN SOUTH EAST ARKANSAS

MERCHANTS & PLANTERS BANK

CAPITAL
\$50,000.00



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A. A. FISCHER, SECY.
B. L. ROSS, CASHIER.

EUDORA, ARKANSAS

Jan'y 17th, 1914.

Mr. C.P. Perrie, Sect'y
Little Rock Clearing House Ass'n,
Little Rock, Ark.

D e a r S i r -

Our instution wishes to be placed on record as favoring St Louis as a Federal Reserve city.

It is our opinion that the situation of St Louis affords a larger territory to draw from than any other City in the United States; that is, as to central location.

We sincerely trust St Louis will be named as one of the regional reserve cities, and I believe this territory as a whole will support St Louis in preference to any other City, as a larger part of the business in this territory is transacted through St Louis.

Very tuly yours,


C a s h i e r .

R.G.FLOYD, PRESIDENT.
R.S.GRANGER, VICE PRESIDENT.

L.W.McCRORY, CASHIER.
F.W.MAXWELL, ASST. CASHIER.

NO. 8495.

First National Bank

CAPITAL \$ 50,000.00.

EUREKA SPRINGS, ARK.

Jan. 14, 1914.

Mr. J. A. Lewis, Cash.,
National Bank of Commerce,
St. Louis, Mo.

My dear Mr. Lewis:-

Referring to the selection of St. Louis as a location for the Federal Reserve Bank, we wish to assure you that we are very anxious to see St. Louis so designated, with the hope that Northwest Arkansas will be included in such district,

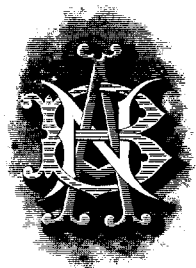
So much of our business concentrates in St. Louis that we would feel like "a boy with a sore finger" if it was found necessary to readjust ourselves to the handling of this volume through any other channel.

We shall be pleased when St. Louis is so designated as we are sure it must.

Very respectfully,

L.W. McCrory

LWMcC/G.



JAY FULBRIGHT, Pres.
J.T. HIGHT, Vice-Prest.

W.H. BURTON, CASHIER.
F.W. [unclear], ASST CASHIER.

NO. 8786.

Arkansas National Bank

CAPITAL \$100,000.00

Fayetteville, Ark. Jan. 16, 1914.

Mr. C. P. Perrie,
Secy. Little Rock Clearing House Assn.,
Little Rock, Ark.

Dear Sir:

It is our earnest desire that the regional reserve
bank for this District be located at St. Louis, Mo.

Respectfully yours,

ARKANSAS NATIONAL BANK

By *Jay Fulbright* Pres.

JF/EGJ

THE MERCHANTS NATIONAL BANK

FORT SMITH, ARKANSAS.

OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT.

*Fayetteville Ark -
7/16-1914*

The Reserve Bank Organization Committee
at Saint Louis, Mo.

Gentlemen:

It is our earnest desire that the
Regional Reserve Bank for this district
be located at Saint Louis, Mo.

Respectfully,

*Arkansas Nat. Bank
by Jay Fulbright
Pres*



FIRST NATIONAL BANK

PAID UP CAPITAL, \$125,000.00
SURPLUS AND PROFITS, \$ 25,000.00

ART. T. LEWIS,
PRESIDENT.
J. J. BAGGETT,
F. P. EARLE,
VICE PRESIDENTS.
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CASHIER.
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S. F. DOWELL,
D. F. McMILLAN.

FAYETTEVILLE, ARK. Jan. 16, 1914.

Mr. C. W. Perrie,
Little Rock, Ark.,

Dear Sir:-

Herewith I enclose you a letter addressed to Reserve Bank Organization Committee on behalf of the First National Bank and the First Savings Bank. The Banks in St. Louis and in Ft. Smith are also securing these requests, but I presume that will do no harm.

Yours truly,

Bruce Holcomb
Cashier.



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FAYETTEVILLE, ARK. Jany. 16, 1914.

To Reserve Bank Organization Committee
at Saint Louis, Mo.

Gentlemen:

We would be very much pleased to have
Saint Louis designated as a Federal Reserve City, and *that*
this Bank and this State should be a part of Saint Louis
Federal Reserve Bank.

Respectfully,

First National Bank,

By Bruce Holcomb Co.

First Savings Bank,

By Bruce Holcomb Co.

THE MERCHANTS NATIONAL BANK

FORT SMITH, ARKANSAS.

OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT.

Fayetteville (Mo.)
January 16, 1914

The Reserve Bank Organization Committee
at Saint Louis, Mo.

Gentlemen:

It is our earnest desire that the
Regional Reserve Bank for this district
be located at Saint Louis, Mo.

Respectfully,

First National Bank
by Dues H. Adams,
Cashier,

LITTLE ROCK CLEARING HOUSE ASSOCIATION

J. S. POLLOCK,
MANAGER.

LITTLE ROCK, ARK.

January 13, 1914.

McIllroy Banking Co.,

Fayetteville, Ark.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Little Rock Clearing House Association, held on January 12th, 1914, the unanimous opinion was, that St. Louis should be designated as a Federal Reserve City and that it was of vital importance that Arkansas should be in the Federal Reserve District of the St. Louis Federal Reserve Bank.

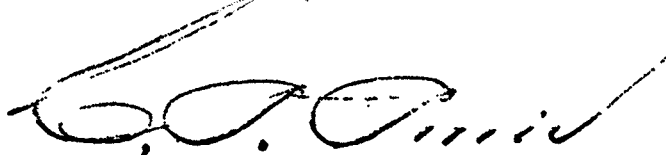
Seven representatives of the clearing House, the Secretary of the Board of Trade and Secretary of the Chamber of Commerce were constituted a committee to appear before the "Reserve Bank Organization Committee" in St. Louis on January 22nd. and 23rd, and urge such action.

Any Arkansas Banker who would lend his aid would be a welcome addition to the Clearing House Committee on the trip to St. Louis, and it would certainly add strength if your institution would prepare a resolution or letter advocating the Organization Committee reaching a decision as above outlined.

Please send us this communication as soon as possible using the enclosed stamped envelope addressed to the writer.

Thanking you in advance, I am,

Yours very truly,



Secretary L. R. Clearing
House Association.

*We have made
the above request.
yours
Hewitt*

Mc. Iroy Banking Company

CAPITAL AND SURPLUS
\$180,000.00

FAYETTEVILLE, ARK., Jan 16 1914

Reserve Bank Organization Committee.
St. Louis mo

Gentlemen
we would be glad if you
can see your way clear
to name St. Louis mo. as
Regional Reserve Bank for
this district

Yours truly
H. W. de Castro

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THE FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF FORDYCE

THE ARKANSAS SAVINGS BANK & TRUST COMPANY, WITH CAPITAL AND SURPLUS OF \$56,000.00, IS UNDER THE SAME MANAGEMENT AS THE FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF FORDYCE.

CAPITAL \$50,000.00

SURPLUS \$6,000.00

J. E. HAMPTON - - PRESIDENT
W. J. PROCTOR - VICE-PRESIDENT
J. A. ABERNATHY - VICE-PRESIDENT
F. T. HUNTER - - CASHIER

FORDYCE, ARKANSAS

Jan. 19, 1914.

THIRD NATIONAL BANK,

St. Louis, Mo.

Dear Sirs:-

We want to say to you that we are very anxious to see one of the Federal Reserve Banks located in St. Louis, and Arkansas included in the St. Louis district.

St. Louis has always been our reserve center as the customary course of our business is in that direction, and we can not think of any other location being so convenient and satisfactory in every way.

Yours very truly
THE FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF FORDYCE,
Arkansas Savings Bank & Trust Company,

J. A. Abernathy
Vice President.

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FORDYCE, ARKANSAS

Jan. 19, 1914.

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THE RESERVE BANK

ORGANIZATION COMMITTEE,

Washington, D. C.

Dear Sirs:-

These banks are very anxious to see St. Louis designated as a Federal Reserve City and the state of Arkansas included in the St. Louis district.

We have always kept our reserve funds in St. Louis on account of its being the most convenient and satisfactory place for us, and we believe any other location would disturb the customary course of our business.

Yours very truly,
THE FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF FORDYCE,
Arkansas Savings Bank & Trust Company,

J. A. Abernathy
Vice President.

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FORDYCE, ARKANSAS

1/20/14.

To The Organization Committee,

St. Louis, Mo.

Gentlemen:-

We are anxious to add our voice to others in a request that this section of Arkansas be put into the district to be served by the Regional Reserve Bank to be placed in St. Louis. We are presuming that one is to be placed in St. Louis on the ground that an institution of this kind placed there would be so well located that the opportunities can not be overlooked.

Since the building of the Cotton Belt Railroad years ago this section has had such good connection with St. Louis that its trade went there causing the natural flow of exchange to be that way. Of the banks we are acquainted with in this territory the large part of their reserve is with their St. Louis agent:

It seems to us that if the Administration wishes to make good its promise to produce a system that will be a help and not a hindrance to existing banks the natural course of business should be considered. This would place us in the St. Louis District, which is our desire.

Yours respectfully,

The First National Bank of Fordyce and
The Arkansas Savings Bank & Trust Co.

F. T. Hunter Cashier.

E.G. CAMPBELL, PRESIDENT
A.O. LEWIS, VICE PRES.

A.E. WATERS, CASHIER
H.C. FREEMAN, ASST. CASHIER

Citizen Bank

AUTHORIZED CAPITAL \$ 25,000.00

FOREMAN, ARKANSAS

Jan. 15th. 1914.

Third National Bank.

St. Louis, Mo.,

Gentlemen:-

We feel the real necessity of your city being a reserve center for this section: therefore urge the Organization Committee on Jan. 21st when they visit your City to establish a Federal Reserve Bank for this District in your City.

~~Respectfully~~
Respect,

E.G. CAMPBELL, PRESIDENT
A.O. LEWIS, VICE PRES.

A.E. WATERS, CASHIER
H.C. FREEMAN, ASST. CASHIER

Citizen's Bank

AUTHORIZED CAPITAL \$ 25,000.00

FOREMAN, ARKANSAS

Jan. 15th. 1914.

Mechanics American National Bank,
St. Louis, Mo.

Gentlemen:

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of your city being a reserve
center for this section; therefore urge
the Organization Committee on Jan. 21st.
when they visit your city
to establish a Federal Reserve Bank
for this District in your city.
Respectfully

E.G.CAMPBELL, P. DENT
A.O.LEWIS, VICE PREST.

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FOREMAN, ARKANSAS

Jan. 16th 1914

Mr C.P.Perrie,
Secretary Little Rock Clearing
House Association, 201 West 2nd,
Little Rock, Ark.

Dear Sir:-

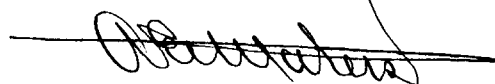
We feel the real necessity of St. Louis being designated as the Federal Reserve City, and we think that it is of vital importance that Arkansas should be in the Federal Reserve District of the St. Louis Federal Reserve Bank.

Therefore urge your representatives of your clearing House to do all in their power to have the "Reserve Bank Organization Committee" which will meet in St. Louis on the 22nd and 23rd to establish a Federal Reserve Bank in St. Louis and to include our good old State within its district.

With kindest personal regards,

I am,

Yours very truly,


Cashier

TO THE RESERVE BANK ORGANIZATION COMMITTEE

AT
SAINT LOUIS, MO.

Fort Smith, Arkansas
submerged
of course

Gentlemen,

The natural flow of exchanges from the Fort
Smith district, which includes ^{western} eastern part of Arkansas
and ^{Eastern} western part of Oklahoma, is very largely to Saint
Louis, Mo.

The location of the Regional Reserve Bank
for this district, in any other city, than Saint Louis,
would cause a diversion of business and exchanges
from regular and natural channels.

Believing it is the intention and desire of the Organ-
ization Committee to locate the Regional Reserve Banks
so as to augment and facilitate the natural course of
exchanges and business between cities and banks in the
several districts, we the banks of Fort Smith, in unanimity
beg to respectfully urge that this district, including
Arkansas and eastern Oklahoma, be placed in the district
for which the Regional Reserve Bank shall be located
in SAINT LOUIS, MISSOURI.

Respectfully,

The Peoples Bank
By B. Johnson
cashier
Kelley Trust Company
By Harry E. Kelley Pres.
Bank of Commerce
By C. L. Pyle Cash

Merchants National Bank
W. J. Johnson Pres.
First Nat Bank
J. W. Anderson Cash
Arkansas National Bank
By W. W. Boone Pres.
Fort Smith Bank & Trust Co
By A. G. Smith Pres.
Arkansas Valley Trust Company
By J. W. Galt Pres.



MR. T. W. M. BOONE.

Jany. 14, 1914.

Mr. Festus J. Wade, President,
Mercantile National Bank,
St. Louis, Mo.

Dear Mr. Wade :

I notice from the Public Press that on the 21st. of this month the organization committee for the Regional Banks will be in St. Louis to hear suggestions in regard to the establishment of a Bank in St. Louis, and, I presume, suggestions as to what territory would be attached to said Regional Bank.

I have heretofore written to Banks at Little Rock suggesting that they send a committee to St. Louis to be there on the 21st. inst., and I notice from the Papers, that they are going to do so.

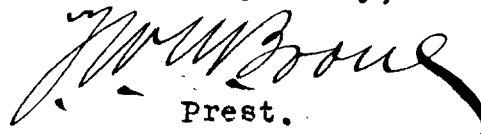
This letter, however, is to express to you, and through you, to the Committee, the earnest desire of practically all Banks in this section of Arkansas to be attached to the St. Louis territory. St. Louis is naturally the banking and clearance point for this section of Arkansas and Eastern Oklahoma, and it would be a great inconvenience, to say nothing of financial loss, if we should be included in any regional

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District other than St. Louis. If you think it best that our desire to be included in the St. Louis District be expressed in some formal way, you will suggest just how to do it, and we will take pleasure in carrying out your instructions.

With kindest regards, I am,

Yours very truly,



Prest.

TWMB/MRS

ARKANSAS VALLEY TRUST COMPANY

CLIFTON R. BRECKINRIDGE, PRESIDENT.
C. E. SPEER, VICE PRESIDENT.
JNO. C. GARDNER, SECTY & TREAS.
READ & MCDONOUGH, COUNSEL.

PAID UP CAPITAL \$250,000.00

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FORT SMITH, ARK., January 14, 1914.

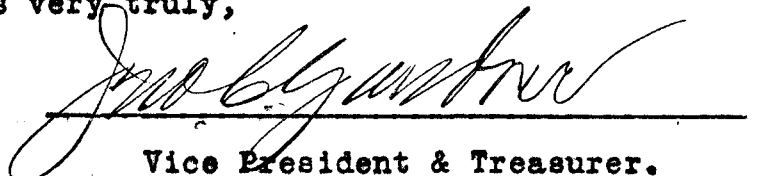
Mercantile Trust Company,
St. Louis, Mo.

Gentlemen:

We are in receipt of circular issued by yourselves and other St. Louis banks under date of the 13th, and bearing on the subject of the selection of St. Louis as a point for the location of one of the Federal Reserve Banks; and heartily concur in all the expressions of the letter, and so far as we are concerned prefer to have one of the banks located in St. Louis than at any other point on the continent. We have never deemed that there was any question, but what St. Louis would be selected as the point of location for one of the Reserve Banks.

If there is any special thing that St. Louis banks would like to have us do with a view of securing the location of one of the reserve banks there, we should be very glad to have them point us to just what they would like to have done in the premises and we will be glad to do it.

Yours very truly,


Vice President & Treasurer.

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FORT SMITH, ARK.,

January 16, 1914.

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Festus J. Wade, President,
Mercantile Trust Company,
St. Louis, Mo.

Dear Sir:

Replying to your letter of yesterday on the subject of the Federal Reserve Bank for St. Louis, beg to advise that we have arranged to have a meeting of the local banks at our office tomorrow afternoon at 2 o'clock, at which time we will pass a Resolution such as you desire. Inquiry develops that Mr. Echols, President of the Merchants National Bank, intends to go to St. Louis to attend the meeting on the 21st and 22nd. Mr. Echols will carry with him the resolution adopted by the local bankers; and also letters from a number of banks in this territory.

The Little Rock Clearing House Association are active, and we, and I find other banks in Fort Smith, received letters from them this morning asking us to join them in their representations before the Organization Committee. I hand you a copy of my letter to the Secretary of the Little Rock Clearing House Association written before I knew Mr. Echols was going to St. Louis.

I trust Mr. Echols will have the pleasure of meeting you while there, and assure you that we shall be glad

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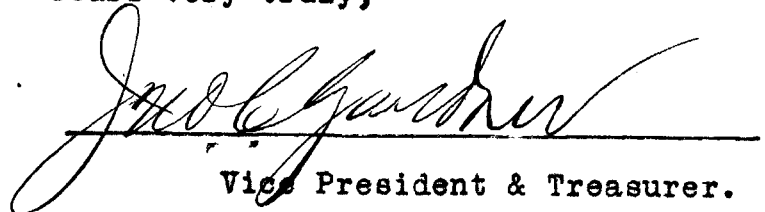
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FORT SMITH, ARK.,

to work in harmony in the effort to have one of the regional
banks located in St. Louis, and to have, at least, this part
of our State within the territory of the St. Louis Bank.

Yours very truly,


Vice President & Treasurer.

ARKANSAS VALLEY TRUST COMPANY

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FORT SMITH, ARK., January 16, 1914.

C. P. Perrie, Secretary,
Little Rock Clearing House Association,
Little Rock, Arkansas.

Dear Sir:

This Company emphatically agrees with the opinion of the Little Rock Clearing House Association in that St. Louis should be designated as a Federal Reserve City; and that this part of Arkansas should be included within the district of the St. Louis Federal Reserve Bank. We look upon St. Louis as the commercial center for this territory and it is the natural gateway of commercial business and financial exchange. The trend of trade is through that city now, and attaching this territory to any Federal Reserve Bank located in any other city would be a serious disturbance to the present trend of trade, which in our opinion should clearly be avoided. This situation cannot be too clearly and emphatically laid before the Organization.

Yours very truly,


Vice President & Treasurer.

A. N. SICARD, PRESIDENT.

W. F. BLOCKER, VICE-PRESIDENT.

C. B. CARTER, SECY. & TREAS.



FORT SMITH, ARK.

1-14-14.

National Bank of Commerce,

St. Louis, Mo.

Gentlemen:

I understand the organization committee for the federal reserve banks will meet in St. Louis, January 21st.

I sincerely hope that Ft. Smith will be placed in the St. Louis district, as the greatest part of our business has been handled through your city, and it would be inconvenient for us to be placed in some other district, with whom we have very little natural affiliation.

Yours very truly,


President.

A. N. SICARD, PRESIDENT.

W. F. BLOCKER, VICE-PRESIDENT.

C. B. CARTER, SECY. & TREAS.



FORT SMITH, ARK.

1-16-14.

Mr. C. P. Perrie
Little Rock, Ark.

Dear Sir:

Your favor of the 13th in regard to the action of Little Rock Clearing House Ass'n. in endorsing St. Louis as the Federal Reserve city has our unqualified approval. However we have already written National Bank of Commerce St. Louis our endorsement of St. Louis as a Federal Reserve City, which we trust will answer the purpose.

I regret that it will not be convenient for us to join your committee in St. Louis .

Yours very truly,

President.

KELLEY TRUST COMPANY

PAID CAPITAL \$500,000
SURPLUS \$510,000

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RALPH MECHEM, REAL ESTATE OFFICER

FORT SMITH, ARK.

January 16th, 1914

Mr. C. P. Perrie,
Little Rock
Arkansas

Dear Sir:-

It will be impossible for this Company to send anyone with your crowd to St. Louis to appear before the "Reserve Bank Organization Committee" but we are heartily in favor of St. Louis being designated as a Federal Reserve City, and trust that you and others interested will be able to accomplish this end.

Yours very truly,
Burley C. Johnston
Treasurer

W.J. ECHOLS, PRESIDENT.
J.B. WILLIAMS, VICE-PRESIDENT.
C.S. SMART, CASHIER.
R.F. DICKINS, ASST. CASHIER.

CAPITAL \$ 400,000.00
SURPLUS \$ 100,000.00
UNDIVIDED PROFITS \$ 150,000.00

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THE MERCHANTS NATIONAL BANK
OF
FORT SMITH

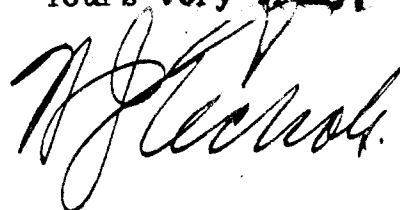
FORT SMITH, ARK.,
Jan. 14, 1914.

Merchants Laclede National Bank,
St. Louis, Mo.

Gentlemen:

We have made application to join the
Federal Reserve Association and it is our earnest
desire that the Regional Reserve Bank for this
district be located in St. Louis.

Yours very truly,

 W.J. Echols, Pres.

Citizens Bank

R. H. CARL, Pres.

J. N. COVEY, Cashier

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January 17th 1914.

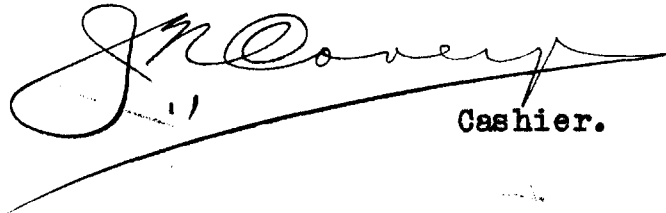
Mr. C.P. Perrie,

Little Rock, Arkansas.

Dear Sir:-

We are heartily in favor of placing Arkansas in the
Federal Reserve District of the St. Louis Federal Reserve Bank.

Yours Very Truly,



Cashier.

THE MERCHANTS NATIONAL BANK
FORT SMITH, ARKANSAS.
OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT.

Gentry, Arkansas,
Jan. 16, 1914.

The Reserve Bank Organization Committee
at Saint Louis, Mo.

Gentlemen:

It is our earnest desire that the
Regional Reserve Bank for this district
be located at Saint Louis, Mo.

Respectfully,

Citizens Bank
J. M. Covey, Cashier

LITTLE ROCK CLEARING HOUSE ASSOCIATION

J. S. POLLOCK,
MANAGER.

LITTLE ROCK, ARK.

January 13, 1914.

First National Bank,

Gravette, Ark.

Gentlemen:-

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Please send us this communication as soon as possible using the enclosed stamped envelope addressed to the writer.

Thanking you in advance, I am,

Yours very truly,

Secretary L. R. Clearing
House Association.

*1-17-14
Gentlemen
We have willingly
to the much among that by St Louis
expressing our wishing this matter
Right Jack Baum*

W. H. AUSTIN, PRESIDENT
F. M. GAMBLE, VICE PRESIDENT

JAS. BANKS, CASHIER
EVA M. GRAVETTE, ASST.

FRANK HILBOLDT,
H. S. HANNA, ASST. CASHIERS

FIRST NATIONAL BANK

CAPITAL AND SURPLUS \$35,000

JAN 17 1914

GRAVETTE, ARK., 191

*Wich. Amer. Nat. Bank
St. Louis Mo*

Gentlemen

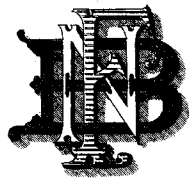
*It is our wish & desire
that we be in the St. Louis
district and hope you will
succeed in locating one of the
Reserve Banks in St. Louis*

*Respt yours
Jas Banks
cash*

M.V. LIGHTBURN, PRESIDENT.

F. O. BUTT, VICE-PRESIDENT.

C. C. ONEAL, CASHIER.



THE DORSEY COMPANY DALLAS TEX.

THE FIRST NATIONAL BANK

CAPITAL \$25,000.00

GREEN FOREST, ARK.

Jan. 14th. 1914

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Mechanics-American Nat. Bank,
St. Louis, Mo.

Gentlemen:-

We are just in receipt of letter under date of Jan. 13th., sent out by the St. Louis Clearing House Association, relative to fixing the districts of the Federal Reserve Banks, under the recent Federal Reserve Act. Replying thereto beg to say that we believe the best interests of the banks through out the states named in the letter referred to above, could be handled to an advantage by making St. Louis the center of such district.

Trusting that the committee may see fit to give the city of St. Louis preference in the matter I beg to remain,

Yours truly,


Cashier.

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1-17-1914

Mr. C. P. Perrie, Secy.

Little Rock Clearing House Assn.,
Little Rock, Ark.

Dear Sir:-

Replying to your favor of the 13th. inst. relative to a letter of approval from this bank, approving the establishing of a Reserve Bank in the city of St. Louis, Mo. I beg to advise you that our letter of approval has been forwarded to our St. Louis correspondent, The Mechanics-American Nat. Bank of that city.

Yours truly,


Cashier.

JAS. A. NEAVILLE, PRESIDENT

B. F. GRISSOM, CASHIER

V. RINER, VICE PRESIDENT

THE FIRST BANK

INCORPORATED 1905

CAPITAL STOCK (AUTHORIZED) \$7,500.00

GRIFFITHVILLE, ARK.

Jan-16-1914.

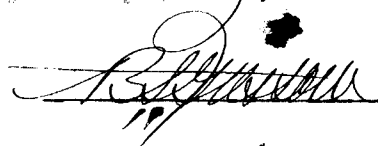
Mr. C. P. Perrie, Secretary,
Little Rock Clearing House Assoc.,
Little Rock, Ark.

Dear Sir:

We are heartily in accord with the opinion of the Little Rock Clearing House Association that St. Louis should be designated as a Federal Reserve City and that Arkansas should be in the Federal Reserve District of the St. Louis Federal Reserve Bank.

We hope when your committee shall appear before the "Reserve Bank Organization Committee" in St. Louis on - January 22nd. and 23rd, that they will successfully urge the designating of St. Louis as a Federal Reserve City, and that Arkansas will be included in said District.

Very truly yours,

 Cashier.

W. GATES, PRES.
E. W. GATES, PRES.

W. GATES, PRES.
E. W. GATES, PRES.

BANK OF CROSSETT

E. W. GATES, PRESIDENT
A. TRIESCHMANN, VICE-PRES.
G. NORMAN, CASHIER
D. MOOLEY, ASST. CASHIER

CAPITAL, \$25,000

CROSSETT, ARK. Jan 19, 1914.

Third National Bank,
St. Louis, Mo.
Gentlemen:--

In response to a request from the St. Louis Clearing House Association for an expression from us in regard to the location of a Federal Reserve Bank in St. Louis and as to whether we desired to be included in that district, will say that by all means we wish to be included in the St. Louis district. St. Louis is the natural location through which the majority of our exchanges flow and to be changed to any other center, we feel would be an inconvenience.

We heartily endorse the move to locate a Reserve Bank at St. Louis and to have the whole of Arkansas included in the district.

Yours very truly,

Bank Of Crossett,
Cashier.

THE MERCHANTS NATIONAL BANK

FORT SMITH, ARKANSAS.

OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT.

Hackett Ark
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Hackett Ark.,
Jany 16 1914.,

The Reserve Bank Organization Committee

at Saint Louis, Mo.

Gentlemen:

It is our earnest desire that the
Regional Reserve Bank for this district
be located at Saint Louis, Mo.

Respectfully,

Hackett-City Bank.

M. Barber
Cash.

LEIGH W. FORBES, President

W. P. FORBES, Cashier.

Hackett City Bank

CAPITAL \$1000.00

Hackett, Arkansas

Jany 16th.

Mr C.P.Perry. Secy.
Little Rock,.

Dear Sir;-

We have already made our request through The
Merchats National Bank of Fort Smith.

very truly yours
Hackett-City Bank.



LITTLE ROCK CLEARING HOUSE ASSOCIATION

J. S. POLLOCK,
MANAGER.

LITTLE ROCK, ARK.

January 13, 1914.

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Yours very truly,



Secretary L. R. Clearing
House Association.

The Citizens Bank

CAPITAL STOCK \$ 25,000.00.
SURPLUS \$ 7,500.00.

CHAS. M. GREENE, *Pres.*
R. T. KNIGHT, *Vice Pres.*
FRANK R. GREENE, *Cashr.*

HARRISON, ARK.

Jan 16 1914

Geo. M. Hoffman Esq Cashr

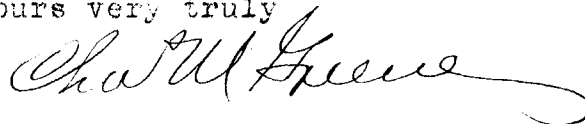
St. Louis Mo

Dear Sir:

I notice that the Organization Committee under the new Currency law will be in St. Louis on Jan'y 21st.

We hope that one of the Federal Reserve Banks may be located in your city, and that we may be placed in the St. Louis district, as a very large per cent of our business naturally goes through our St Louis correspondents.

Yours very truly



President

Directors and Officers

E. S. ALEXANDER, PRES.
LAFAYETTE EOFF, CASHIER, SEC., & TREAS.
DOTSON FANCHER, VICE-PRES.
JOE B. WILSON
J. B. CURNUTT
WES W. HUDSON
CHARLES D. ALLISON

AUTHORIZED CAPITAL \$50,000.00
PAID UP CAPITAL \$27,000.00

The Farmers Bank

HARRISON, ARK.,

Jan. 17th. 1914

Mr. C. P. Perrie
Secretary Little Rock Clearing House

Dear Sir;-

In the matter of The Federal Reserve District for Ark.:
It is certainly for the interest of this bank to be in the
Federal Reserve District with St. Louis as Federal Reserve City, with
Federal Reserve Bank in St. Louis.

And we wish the name of this bank to be enrolled as petitioning
to that effect.

Yours truly

E. S. Alexander
Pres

HARRISON COMMERCIAL CLUB

OFFICERS

CHAS. M. GREENE, President.
 JNO. P. DAVIS, Vice-President.
 J. M. WAGLEY, Treasurer.
 JESSE B. HAWKES, Secretary.

Harrison, Arkansas, January 12, 1914.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

H. D. GLASS, Chairman.
 JESSE B. HAWKES, Secretary.
 GEO. H. COTTON.
 J. A. OWENS.
 I. N. SHELBY.
 ED ZIMMERMAN.

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Organization Committee,
 Federal Reserve Board,
 Washington, D. C.

ANSWERED
 JAN 16 1914
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Dear Sirs:

I enclose a copy of resolution adopted
 by the Harrison Commercial Club with respect to
 the establishment of a central reserve bank at
 St. Louis, and on behalf of the Harrison Commercial
Club respectfully request your consideration of
 the matter.

Very truly,

Jesse B. Hawkes
 Secretary.

Harrison, Boone County, Arkansas

IS A SOLID, growing city of upwards of 2,500 inhabitants, steadily increasing in property values, without "boom" methods. It is the county seat, situated in the center of a highly fertile and productive agricultural region, abounding in valuable timber land, with some mines in active and profitable operation, and evidences of large bodies of zinc, lead and other ores as yet undeveloped. Located in the heart of the Ozark mountains, famous for their delightful climate, natural beauty and undeveloped natural resources, Harrison offers to the intelligent, industrious homeseeker, the fruit-raiser, dairyman, stockman and manufacturer and business man, ideal opportunities for the establishment of a paying business and a comfortable home among good people and pleasant surroundings, at less expense and with better results, all things considered, than any other part of the country.

Harrison has plenty of good, substantial homes; a good system of waterworks, supplied by pure, perennial springs; a telephone system; six churches, a public library, a fine new court house and federal buildings; several miles of cement walks, with more under construction; good public schools; a State high school building now being erected; three banks, six hotels, two newspapers, wholesale grocery, hardware, harness factory, ice plant, three roller mills, three lumber yards, iron foundry, an unusually large business district, no mosquitoes, no malaria, no negroes. It is one of the best railroad points, jobbing centers, and all-around residence and business cities in North Arkansas.

No time was ever more opportune than the present for the establishment in Harrison of such industries as wood-working plants of all kinds, canning factory, cold storage, packing plants, etc. Cheap labor, low cost of living, accessibility to fuel and raw materials, good railroad facilities, with more in sight, all contribute to this end.

Boone County is pre-eminently the home of the Big Red Apple of the Ozarks; her apples have taken prizes wherever shown; and the soil, elevation, climate, natural drainage, etc., especially adapt this district to the raising of fruits of all kinds of the highest quality. The country is also well adapted to dairying and stock raising, with its plentiful, never-failing spring water, prolific growth of grains and grasses. abundant low-priced ranges and mild climate.


Anyone who is interested in Harrison or Boone County, or is seeking a location, is invited to correspond with this Club or with any of its members.

HARRISON COMMERCIAL CLUB.

At a meeting of the HARRISON COMMERCIAL CLUB, of Harrison, Arkansas, held on the 12th day of January, 1914, the following resolution was adopted:

"RESOLVED, That inasmuch as St. Louis has the largest banking capacity of any city south of the Illinois River and west of the Mississippi River, and its banks now transact the bulk of the banking business of the South; this organization recommends the establishment of a central reserve regional bank at St. Louis as one of the ^{Eight} ~~four~~ reserve banks to be established under the Federal currency act recently passed; and be it further

"RESOLVED, That the Secretary be and he is directed to forward a copy of these resolutions to the Organization Committee of the Federal Reserve Board."



President.



Secretary.

THE MERCHANTS NATIONAL BANK

FORT SMITH, ARKANSAS.
OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT.

Hartford, Ark.

Jan'y 16th 1914

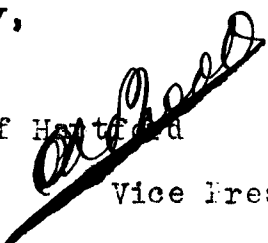
The Reserve Bank Organization Committee
at Saint Louis, Mo.

Gentlemen:

It is our earnest desire that the
Regional Reserve Bank for this district
be located at Saint Louis, Mo.

Respectfully,

Bank of Hartford


Vice Pres.

ESTABLISHED 1905.



JNO. J. HUGHES, JR., PRESIDENT
G. R. ROBUCK, VICE PRESIDENT
W. A. HARP, CASHIER

CAPITAL STOCK \$12,500.00
SURPLUS \$3,125.00

Haynes, Ark.

January, 14th, 1914.

The National Bank of Commerce,
St. Louis, Mo.

Gentlemen:-

We are in receipt of a circular letter sent out by the Clearing House Association of your city in which they desire an expression from the bankers of this state with reference to the establishing of a Federal Reserve Bank in St. Louis.

It is our opinion, and I believe almost the unanimous opinion of all the bankers in this state, that it is of vital interest to the commerce of the state, including both trade and agriculture that St. Louis be selected as one of the Federal Reserve Bank cities.

We hope that you are able to so convince the organization committee.

Yours very truly,

W. A. Harp
Cashier.

ESTABLISHED 1905.

Bank of Haynes

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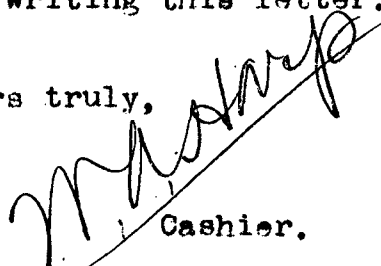
Mr. C.P. Perrie, Sect'y.
Little Rock Clearing House Ass'n.
Little Rock, Ark.

Dear Sir:

We are in receipt of your letter of 13th inst stating that at a meeting of your Association held the 12th inst that you had passed a resolution that St. Louis should be designated as a Federal Reserve City and that it was of vital importance that Arkansas should be in the Federal Reserve District of the St. Louis Federal Reserve Bank.

We certainly advocate the steps you have taken in this matter and hope that the organization Committee will be influenced to give St. Louis this bank. For this reason we are writing this letter.

Yours truly,



Cashier.

GEO. NICHOLLS, PRESIDENT

E. NEWMAN, VICE-PRESIDENT

S. S. FAULKNER, TREASURER

THE BUSINESS MEN'S LEAGUE OF HELENA, ARKANSAS

M. W. MARTIN, SECRETARY-COMMISSIONER

Januray Seventeenth
Ninteen Hundred Fourteen.

Mr W. F. Saunders. Secretary.
Business Mens League.
StLouis Mo.

Dear Mr Sanders:-

Your favor of 15th inst, suggesting that we adopt resolutions and forward in addition to what has already been done by the interests of this City in aiding StLouis to secure one of the larger regional banks

Am pleased to hand you herewith copy of resolution adopted by this League, the original of which has been forwarded to the Organization Committee of the Federal Reserve Board at Washington D.C.

We are very much in hopes of StLouis being favored as a location for one of the largest institutions as we feel that to be the logical point for the South and West.

With best wishes for the success of your efforts.

Yours very truly.



President.

GEO. NICHOLLS, PRESIDENT

E. NEWMAN, VICE-PRESIDENT

S. S. FAULKNER, TREASURER

THE BUSINESS MEN'S LEAGUE OF HELENA, ARKANSAS

M. W. MARTIN, SECRETARY-COMMISSIONER

RESOLUTION

Whereas; the commerce of the South, both in trade and agriculture, requires that one of the four greatest regional banks be established with ample capacity for the tremendous volume of the territory's business, and

Whereas; it is of great importance to the City of Helena Ark and the State of Arkansas that this bank should be located in StLouis because this territory is tributary to StLouis in both banking and trade; therefore be it,

Resolved; by the Business Mens League of Helena Arkansas., that we urgently recommend to the Organization Committee not only that StLouis be designated as a location for a regional reserve bank, but that it be established as one of the four largest; and furthermore request that Arkansas be placed in the territory of the said StLouis regional bank.

The Business Mens League of Helena Ark.

By G. Nicholls
President.

Attest:

M. W. Martin
Secretary.

GEO. NICHOLLS, PRESIDENT

E. NEWMAN, VICE-PRESIDENT

S. FAULKNER, TREASURER

THE BUSINESS MEN'S LEAGUE OF HELENA, ARKANSAS

M. W. MARTIN, SECRETARY-COMMISSIONER

Form 25

January Seventeenth.
Nineteen Hundred Fourteen.

[Handwritten signature]

To
The Organization Committee
Federal Reserve Board.
Washington D.C.

I herewith enclose you a resolution adopted by this League endorsing StLouis as a proper location for one of the larger Regional Reserve Banks.

The commerce of this territory, both Industrial and Agricultural increasing in volume each year, requires the most convenient and ample facilities and it is believed that StLouis is not only the logical point for the location of a Regional Bank, but should be the location of one of the largest that is to be established in the Nation.

It is hoped that the Committee will duly consider and designate StLouis as one of the most important locations.

Yours very truly.

[Handwritten signature: M. W. Martin]

Secretary.

ANSWERED
JAN 21 1914
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GEO. NICHOLLS, PRESIDENT

E. NEWMAN, VICE-PRESIDENT

G. FAULKNER, TREASURER

THE BUSINESS MEN'S LEAGUE OF HELENA, ARKANSAS

M. W. MARTIN, SECRETARY-COMMISSIONER

R E S O L U T I O N

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The Business Men's League of Helena, Ark.

By *Geo. Nicholls*
President.

Attest:

M. W. Martin
Secretary.

S. S. FAULKNER, PREST.
AARON MEYERS, VICE PREST.

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C. C. AGEE, CASHIER.
ROBT. GORDON, JR. ASST. CASHIER.

First National Bank of Helena, Ark.

CAPITAL \$200,000.

SURPLUS & UNDIVIDED PROFITS \$120,000.

January, 17, 1914.

Mr. C. P. Perrie, Sec'y,

Little Rock, Clearing House, Ass'n.

Little, Rock, Ark.

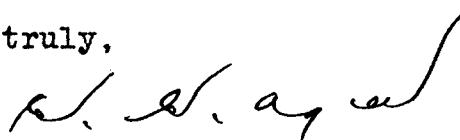
Dear Sir:

In reply to your favor of the 13th, inst., regarding St. Louis as a Federal Reserve City, will state that we are enclosing herein a copy of resolutions passed by the Helena Board of Trade and the Helena Clearing House Association regarding this matter. A copy of these resolutions was forwarded to the Federal Reserve Board at Washington D.C. and also to Mr. F. O. Watts, President of the Third National Bank of St. Louis.

We feel as you do that St. Louis is the logical point for a Reserve Bank in this District, and we shall spare no effort to get the bank at that point.

With best wishes we are,

Yours truly,



Cashier.

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JOS. L. SOLOMON, PRESIDENT

JOHN S. HORNOR, VICE-PRES.

JAS. A. WARD, SEC. & TREAS.

THE HELENA BOARD OF TRADE
HELENA, ARKANSAS

Helena, Ark., Jan 2nd, 1918

Mr. F. O. Watts, Chairman,
Clearing House Committee on Regional Bank,
St. Louis, Mo.

Dear Sir:-

In view of the very large proportion of the banking business of this section which is done with St. Louis, we wish to go on record, in the most positive and emphatic manner, as favoring St. Louis as the location of a regional bank.

We hope, and expect to be represented before the Organization Committee when it visits your city on Jan. 22-23. In case we should not be, you are hereby authorized to represent the undersigned banks and commercial organizations of Helena before the committee and to urge upon them, in your own good way, to locate a regional bank in St. Louis. You fully understand the position of this section, its needs and interests and its relationship with St. Louis in a banking way and understand that beyond a doubt Helena and this entire section would strongly favor St. Louis as the logical location of a regional bank for serving of this section of eastern Arkansas.

Yours very truly,

Security Bank & Co. - S. C. Moore Pres
Peoples Savings Bank & Trust Co.
First National Bank
Guaranty Loan & Trust Company

BY

Joseph L. Solomon
HELENA BOARD OF TRADE,
Jos. L. Solomon
President.

FIRST NATIONAL BANK, HELENA, ARK.
W. H. ...
Innervate Banking & Trust Co.,
...

BUSINESS MEN'S LEAGUE,
...
President.

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THE HELENA BOARD OF TRADE

HELENA, ARKANSAS

St. Louis

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Helena, Ark., Jan. 15th, 1914.

Organization Committee,
Federal Reserve Bank Board,
Washington, D. C.

Gentlemen:-

I have the honor to hand you herewith a copy of resolutions adopted jointly by the Helena Clearing House Association and the Helena Board of Trade, for which we bespeak your most earnest consideration.

Yours very truly,

A. Ward
Sec-Treas.

JOS. L. SOLOMON, PRESIDENT

S. C. MOORE, VICE-PRES.

JAS. A. WARD, SEC. & TREAS.

THE HELENA BOARD OF TRADE
HELENA, ARKANSAS

January 14th, 1914.

At a meeting today of the Helena Clearing House Association and the Helena Board of Trade, it was the consensus of opinion that Helena desires not only that StLouis have one of the Regional Reserve Banks, but that the state of Arkansas be included in territory of the StLouis reserve bank. That it is vitally of interest to the trade of Helena and the state of Arkansas that a reserve bank be established in StLouis and that Arkansas be included in its territory. And to that end the following resolution was unanimously adopted:

WHEREAS, It is of extreme importance to the city of Helena and the state of Arkansas that one of the Regional Reserve banks be located in StLouis and that every effort should be made to assure the establishment of an institution commensurate with the requirements of the Southwest, and

WHEREAS, Helena is now situated in the StLouis banking district, and it is of vital interest to the commerce of this city and state, including both trade and agriculture that StLouis be selected as one of the Regional Reserve bank cities, and

WHEREAS, Ninety percent of the banking business and commerce of this section is tributary to StLouis; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, by the Helena Clearing House Association, allied with the Helena Board of Trade, at a meeting held January 14, 1914, That we urgently recommend upon the Organization Committee the selection of StLouis as a location for one of the Regional Reserve banks, and further urge upon said committee that Arkansas be placed in the territory of StLouis reserve bank; and be it further

RESOLVED, That S. C. Moore, S.S.Faulkner, Jno. I. Moore, B. Selig, E. S. Ready and Gilbert Yaeger of the Helena Clearing House, and Jas. A. Ward, secretary of the Helena Board of Trade, be constituted a committee to present the foregoing resolution to the Organization Committee and that a copy of the resolution be forwarded to the Organization Committee of the Federal Reserve Board, Washington, D. C.

Jos. L. Solomon
President.
Helena Board of Trade.

Gilbert Yaeger
President.
Helena Clearing House Ass'n.

ATTEST: *Jas. A. Ward*
Secretary.

JOS. L. SOLOMON, PRESIDENT

S. C. MOORE, VICE-PRES.

JAS. A. WARD, SEC. & TREAS.

THE HELENA BOARD OF TRADE
HELENA, ARKANSAS

January 14th, 1914.

*Wm Faulkner
M Moore*

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Jos L. Solomon
President.
Helena Board of Trade.

Gilbert Yaeger
President.
Helena Clearing House Ass'n.

ATTEST: *Jas A Ward*
Secretary

INTERSTATE BANKING AND TRUST COMPANY.

CAPITAL \$200,000.00

B. SEELIG, PRESIDENT.
S. C. MOORE, VICE-PREST.
C. S. FITZPATRICK, CASHIER.

HELENA, ARKANSAS.

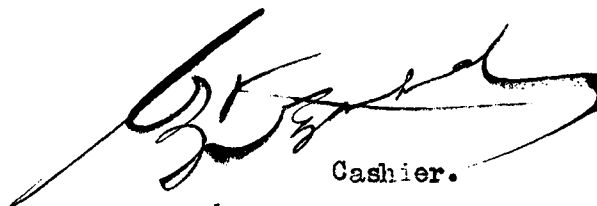
January, 17, 1914.

Mr. C. P. Perrie,
Secretary Little Rock Clearing House Assn.,
Little Rock, Arkansas,

Dear Sir :-

In response to your favor of the
13th inst., we are pleased to advise you that similar
action has already been taken by our Association and your
committee will in all probability meet with ours in St.
Louis with the same purpose in view.

Yours very truly



Cashier.

C. WOOTEN, PRESIDENT.

S. A. WOOTEN, VICE PRESIDENT.

GILBERT YAEGER, CASHIER.

PEOPLES SAVINGS BANK & TRUST CO.

CAPITAL \$75,000.00. SURPLUS \$ 92,000.00.

HELENA, ARK.

January 15th 1914.

Mr. E. M. Hubbard, Cashier,
Boatmen's Bank,
St. Louis, Mo.,

Dear sir:-

I am enclosing herewith copy of the Helena Board of Trade daily bulletin, marked. I do this to acquaint you with our efforts in what assistance we may be able to lend you in securing a Regional Reserve Bank for St. Louis.

Business permitting the writer expects to accompany this delegation to St. Louis at which time I will avail myself of the pleasure of a call on you.

Very truly yours,

Gilbert Yaeger
Cashier.

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LITTLE ROCK CLEARING HOUSE ASSOCIATION

J. S. POLLOCK,
MANAGER.

LITTLE ROCK, ARK.

January 13, 1914.

Security Bank & Trust Co.,

Helena, Ark.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Little Rock Clearing House Association, held on January 12th, 1914, the unanimous opinion was, that St. Louis should be designated as a Federal Reserve City and that it was of vital importance that Arkansas should be in the Federal Reserve District of the St. Louis Federal Reserve Bank.

Seven representatives of the clearing House, the Secretary of the Board of Trade and Secretary of the Chamber of Commerce were constituted a committee to appear before the "Reserve Bank Organization Committee" in St. Louis on January 22nd. and 23rd, and urge such action.

Any Arkansas Banker who would lend his aid would be a welcome addition to the Clearing House Committee on the trip to St. Louis, and it would certainly add strength if your institution would prepare a resolution or letter advocating the Organization Committee reaching a decision as above outlined.

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Thanking you in advance, I am,

Yours very truly,

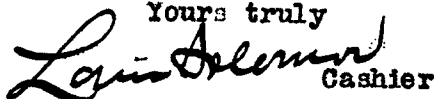


Secretary L. R. Clearing
House Association.

Dear Sir

The Helena bankers will be in St Louis for the 22or 23rd

Yours truly



Cashier

The Hempstead County Bank

W. Y. FOSTER, PRESIDENT.
K. G. McRAE, VICE-PRESIDENT.
CHAS. B. FOSTER, CASHIER.
W. B. OGLESBY, ASST. CASHIER.



R. C. STUART, Mgr. COLUMBUS, (ARK) BRANCH.

FOUNDED 1886.

Hope, Arkansas.

JANUARY SIXTEENTH

1914.

Mr. C. F. Perris, Secretary,
Little Rock Clearing House Association,
Little Rock, Arkansas.

Dear Sir:--

Having today learned that a re-
presentation of The Little Rock Clearing House
and of other organizations in Little Rock are
going to appear before the Reserve Bank Or-
ganization Committee, in St. Louis, on January
22nd and 23rd, to urge that Arkansas be included in
the district of the St. Louis Federal Reserve Bank,
we are writing to ask that you add our request.

We feel that St. Louis is the only
practical and logical location of the Federal
Reserve Bank of which Arkansas banks will be
members. It is the financial center of Arkansas,
and the St. Louis banks understand our needs
better than the banks in any other city of the
United States.

Trusting that your efforts will meet
with success along this line, we are

Very truly yours,

THE HEMPSTEAD COUNTY BANK,

Cashier.

JAMES H. BETTS, PRESIDENT.

S. R. OGLESBY, VICE PRESIDENT.
JAS. H. MCCOLLUM, VICE PRESIDENT.

JESSE N. RILEY,
~~STUART WILSON~~ CASHIER.

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THE HOPE NATIONAL BANK

CAPITAL \$50,000.00.

HOPE, ARKANSAS

Jan. 19, 1914.

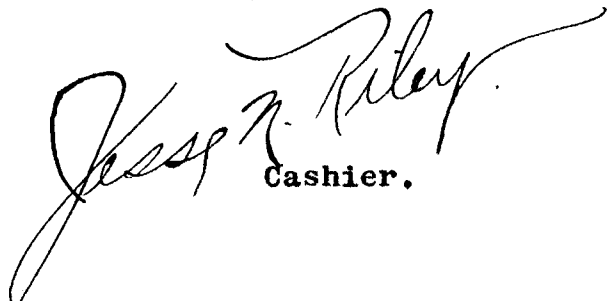
The Third National Bank,
St. Louis, Mo.

Gentlemen :-

We have been advised that the Federal Reserve Organization Committee will meet in St. Louis on January 21st., for the purpose of fixing the district to be served by the St. Louis Reserve Bank.

It is our wish that Arkansas be placed in St. Louis territory, where in our opinion, and in that of other Arkansas bankers to whom we have talked, it naturally belongs, and we sincerely trust that in assigning your territory, the Organization Committee will see fit to make us tributary to the ^{Federal} ~~National~~ Reserve Bank of St. Louis."

Very truly yours,


Cashier.

THE MERCHANTS NATIONAL BANK

FORT SMITH, ARKANSAS.

OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT.

Horatio Ark
Jan 16th 1914

The Reserve Bank Organization Committee
at Saint Louis, Mo.

Gentlemen:

It is our earnest desire that the
Regional Reserve Bank for this district
be located at Saint Louis, Mo.

Respectfully,

Bank of Horatio
by D. Clenden
Pres.

D. L. COWDEN, PRESIDENT

B. E. ISBELL, VICE-PRES

A. T. COWDEN, CASHIER

BANK OF HORATIO

AUTHORIZED CAPITAL STOCK, \$25,000.00
SURPLUS, 2,600.00

Horatio, Ark., Jan 17 1914.

Mr C.P.Perrie, Secy,

Little Rock Ark.

Dear Sir:

We mailed a statement advocating St Louis as our preference for location of reserve bank yesterday, which I think was for the use of the Committee mentioned in your letter, We think that it would ^{be} very much to the interest of Arkansas Bankers to have St Louis A Federal Reserve City and that Arkansas Bankers be in said District,

Yours Very Truly

D L Cowden
Pres. Bank of Horatio

LITTLE ROCK CLEARING HOUSE ASSOCIATION

J. S. POLLOCK,
MANAGER.

LITTLE ROCK, ARK.

January 13, 1914.

Bank of Horatio,

Horatio, Ark.

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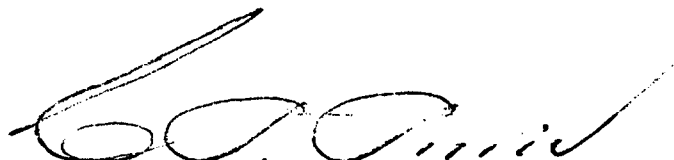
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Please send us this communication as soon as possible using the enclosed stamped envelope addressed to the writer.

Thanking you in advance, I am,

Yours very truly,



Secretary L. R. Clearing
House Association.

STATEMENT OF
The Bank of Horatio

Horatio, Ark., Jan. 13, 1914.

RESOURCES	LIABILITIES
Loans & Discounts, \$ 58,306.47	Capital Paid, \$ 25,000.00
Furniture & Personal Property, 2,081.50	Surplus, 2,000.00
Real Estate, 500.00	Deposits, (Ind.) 85,859.02
Cash & Sight Exchange, 53,252.99	Undivided Profits, 1,644.58
Overdrafts, 362.64	
Total, \$114,503.60	Total, \$114,503.60

The Above Statement is Correct: A. T. Cowden, Cashier.

OFFICERS

D. L. Cowden, President
B. E. Isbell, Vice-President
G. B. Pride, Secretary
A. T. Cowden, Cashier

DIRECTORS

D. L. Cowden
B. E. Isbell
G. B. Pride

STATEMENT
OF THE

BANK OF HORATIO

Horatio, Ark.

Jan. 13, 1914



NO. 2832.

Arkansas National Bank.

CAPITAL \$100,000.

SURPLUS \$ 275,000.

CHAS. N. RIX, PRES.

CHAS. W. O'BRYAN, CASH.

HOT SPRINGS, ARKANSAS.

January 9, 1914 191

Mr. J. A. Lewis, Cashier,
St. Louis, Mo.

My dear Mr. Lewis:

Responding to your letter of January 7th, I beg to say: that I quite agree with you and have little doubt- at least I feel quite sure- that all Arkansas bankers would greatly desire to have a Federal Reserve bank located in your city, and I personally, and by any other means possibly, would be glad to do anything I can to bring that about.

As to whether I can leave here to be in St. Louis at the date of this meeting, January 22nd, I am unable to say now, but if possible I will come? But whether or not I do come, I have no doubt that there will be a good delegation from our State because I am writing to Little Rock to-day, and I have no doubt you have written as well and that will set the fellows moving over there, so that if there is anything I can do that you can suggest, should it happen that I cannot come, then advise me, and be sure I am boosting for St. Louis all the time.

Very truly yours,

Chas N Rix
Pres



ARKANSAS TRUST CO.

HOT SPRINGS, ARKANSAS

M. J. HENDERSON, PRESIDENT
W. G. MAURICE, VICE-PRES.
DAVID BURG AUER, CASHIER
HY. C. COVINGTON, ASST. CASHIER

REAL ESTATE & INSURANCE
DEPARTMENT

January 17, 1914.

Mr. C. P. Perrie,

Secretary of the Little Rock Clearing House Assn.,

Little Rock, Ark.

Dear Sir:-

We are in receipt of your letter of the 13th inst, asking that some one from our Bank join your party to go to St. Louis to appear before the Organization Committee for the purpose of urging the selection of St. Louis as a Federal Reserve Bank.

We doubt very much if it will be possible for us to have a representative join your party, but desire to say upon behalf of our Board of Directors, that they are unanimous in urging that St. Louis be selected as a Federal Reserve Bank, for the reason that St. Louis is better acquainted with our needs than any other nearby center and is better prepared to supply our wants.

Very truly yours,

Arkansas Trust Company,

By

President.

H/W.


The Business Men's League

Hot Springs, Ark.



THE HEART OF
HOT SPRINGS

U. S. ARMY AND
NAVY HOSPITAL

OWNED AND CONTROLLED BY THE  HOT SPRINGS, ARK. UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

January 14, 1914.

Organization Committee,
Federal Reserve Board,
Washington,
D.C.

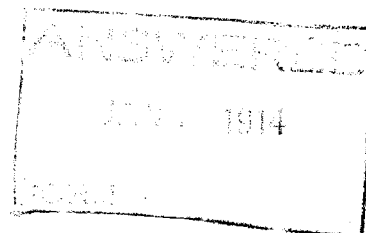
Gentlemen;

At a meeting of the Business Men's League of Hot Springs last night, the endorsement of St Louis to be named as one of the Federal Reserve Cities, was decided upon.

Enclosed please find copy of resolution.

Yours truly,

Geo. R. Belding
SECRETARY.



The Business Men's League

Hot Springs, Ark.



THE HEART OF
HOT SPRINGS

U. S. ARMY AND
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January 13, 1914.

RESOLUTION.

WHEREAS,

The pending Federal Reserve Act, contemplates the designation of a number of cities to be known as Federal Reserve Cities, and

WHEREAS,

St Louis, by reason of its commercial and financial importance, and central location, deserves to be designated as one of these Federal Reserve Cities, be it therefore

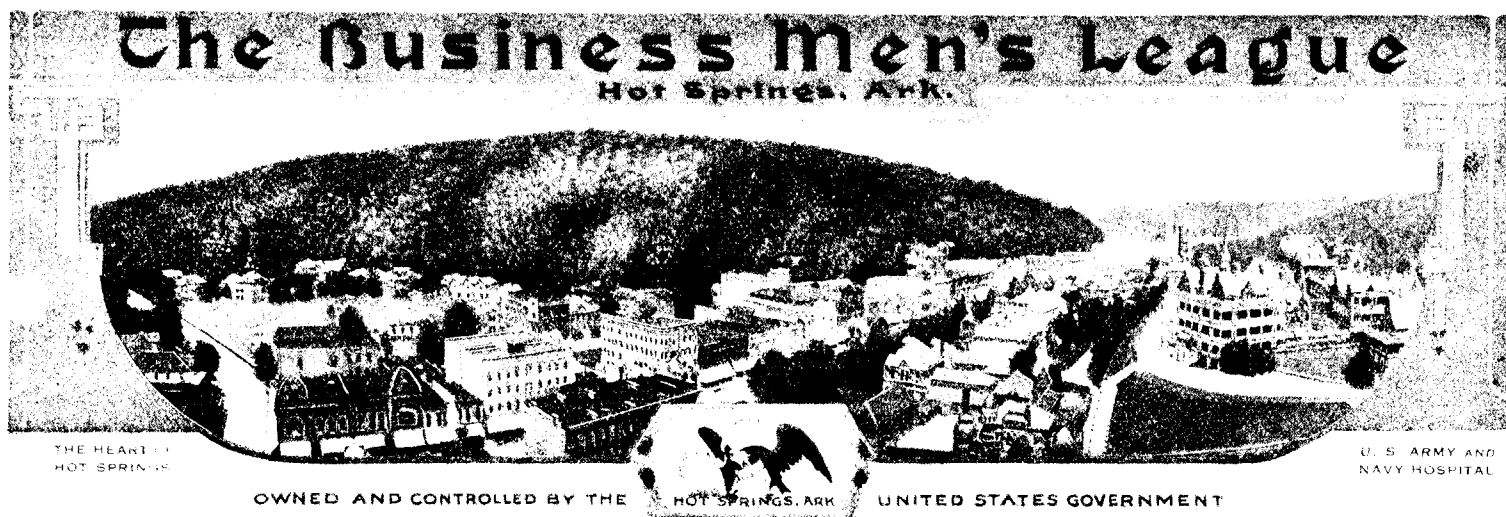
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JAN 17 1914
FORM

RESOLVED,

That the Business Men's League, of the city of Hot Springs, Arkansas, hereby expresses its endorsement of St Louis, and urges the Secretary of the Treasury and the Federal Reserve Organization Board, to name St Louis, as one of these Federal Reserve Cities.

Business Men's League of
Hot Springs, Ark,
by,

(signed) *Geo. R. Belding.*
SECRETARY.



January 14, 1914.

W.F.Saunders, Sec,
Business Men's League,
St Louis,
Mo.

Dear Sir;

Recognising and appreciating the friendly relations that exist between St Louis, and Hot Springs, I have much pleasure in informing you that the Business Men's League of Hot Springs, at their meeting last night, passed a resolution (copy enclosed) urging the establishment of a great regional bank in St Louis, and mailed same to the Organization Committee of the Federal Reserve Board, Washington, D.C.

Very truly yours,

Geo R Belding
SECRETARY.



HAMP WILLIAMS, VICE PRES'T
T. J. O'NEILL, VICE PRES'T

GUS STRAUSS, PRESIDENT

CLAUDE E. M. ... 4, CASHIER
R. F. GROVER, ASST CASHIER

NO 7531

THE CITIZENS NATIONAL BANK

CAPITAL \$100,000.00

HOT SPRINGS, ARK.

Jan. 16, 1914.

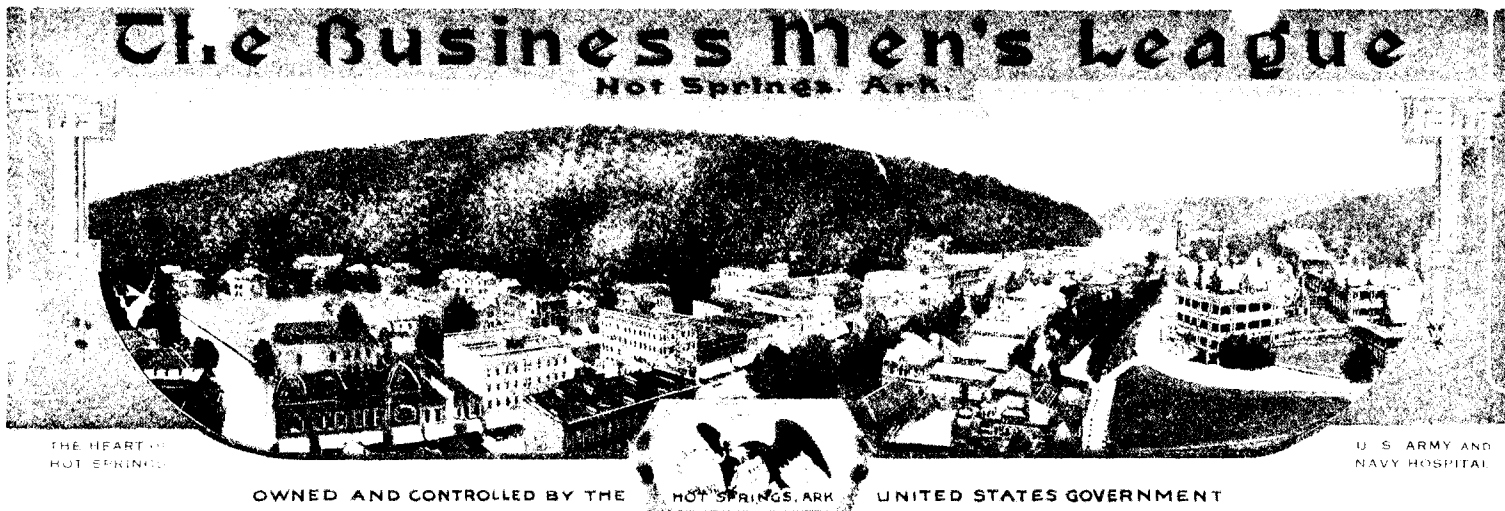
Mr. C.P. Perrie,
Little Rock, Ark.

Dear Sir:-

In reply to yours of the 13th inst., we take pleasure in herewith enclosing you a resolution, which we had passed at our Business Men's League, putting us on record of favoring St. Louis to be designated as a Federal Reserve City.

Yours very truly,
Gus Strauss,
President.

GS/L.



R e s o l u t i o n .

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Business Men's League
of
Hot Springs, Arkansas,

by,

(signed) Geo. R. Belding.

S E C R E T A R Y .

ED. H. JOHNSON, PRESIDENT
JOHN B. FOOTTE, CASHIER

Security Bank
HOT SPRINGS SAVINGS TRUST & GUARANTY CO.
CAPITAL \$ 50,000.00
SURPLUS \$ 100,000.00

HOT SPRINGS, ARK.

January 14, 1913.

Mr. Wm. H. Thomson, Vice President,
Boatmens Bank,
Saint Louis, Mo.

My dear Mr. Thomson:-

Mr. Johnson as well as myself wish to convey the news to you that the Security Bank endorses Saint Louis, first last and all the time, as the proper distributing point for Arkansas and we feel safe in stating that all the other banks in Hot Springs are with you.

We would be pleased to have you remember us to your good wife and trust that we may have the pleasure of a visit from you before long.

Yours truly,

John B. Footte
Cashier.

T. H. B.

ED. H. JOHNSON, PRESIDENT
JOHN B. FOOTE, CASHIER

Security Bank
HOT SPRINGS SAVINGS TRUST & GUARANTY CO.
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HOT SPRINGS, ARK.


January 16, 1914.

Mr. G. P. Perrie, Secy.,
Little Rock Clearing House Assn.,
Little Rock, Ark.

Dear Sir:-

I regret very much that I will not be able to be present in Saint Louis on January 22nd, and 23rd, to assist the Clearing House Committee in having Saint Louis designated as a Federal Reserve City for this State. I trust that your Committee will give this matter their best attention as Hot Springs stands for Saint Louis, first last and all the time.

Yours truly,


Cashier.

THE MERCHANTS NATIONAL BANK

FORT SMITH, ARKANSAS.

OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT.

Huntington, Ark
Jan 17th 1914

The Reserve Bank Organization Committee
at Saint Louis, Mo.

Gentlemen:

It is our earnest desire that the
Regional Reserve Bank for this district
be located at Saint Louis, Mo.

Respectfully,

Huntington State Bank
[Signature]
Huntington, Ark
Cashier

W. L. SEAMAN, PRESIDENT

G. C. GRAVES, VICE PRES'T

G. H. SEXTON, CASHIER

HUNTINGTON STATE BANK

CAPITAL ~~\$25,000.00~~
\$10,000.00

HUNTINGTON, ARK.

Jan. 17, 1914.

Mr. C. P. Perrie, Sec'y,

Little Rock, Ark.,

Dear Sir:-

I have your letter of the 13th in regard to a Reserve Bank being located in St. Louis.

We have this day written ~~The~~ Merchants National Bank, Fort Smith, Arkansas, expressing our wishes along this line.

Thanking you kindly and trusting that our letter is sufficient, we are,

Very truly yours,


Cashier.

No 8952

**FIRST
& NATIONAL BANK**

E. A. ROUTH, PRESIDENT. TOM HARGIS, CASHIER.
D. W. ANDERSON, VICE PRES. J. N. W. GASKILL, ASST. CASH.
W. C. CLUCK, VICE PRES. W. L. BUNCH, ASST. CASHIER.

CAPITAL \$35,000.00
SURPLUS \$2,100.00 NET PROFITS \$1,000.00
STATE AND COUNTY DEPOSITORY

HUNTSVILLE, ARK. Jan. 15 1914

Mechanics-American Nat'l Bank,

St. Louis, Mo.

Gentlemen :

Please notify the Organization Committee of the Federal Reserve Banks, when they visit your City, on Jan. 21, 1914, that it our wish and desire to be placed in the St. Louis Reserve District.

Every since our Bank was Organized St. Louis has been our Reserve City, and the bulk of our business has centered there, and we would be pleased if the Organization Committee ~~would~~ see fit to place Arkansas with the Federal Reserve District in which St. Louis is the center.

Respectfully,

D. W. Anderson
Vice Pres.

E. LESS, PRESIDENT.
B. H. BERGER, VICE PRES.

ALEX BERGER, CASHIER.
W. H. CHILDERS, ASST. CASH.



January 14th, 1914.

International Bank,
St. Louis, Mo.

Gentlemen:-

We understand that the Organization Committee will meet shortly in St. Louis with a view to establishing a regional bank and branches. Speaking for ourselves we look to St. Louis for assistance over the crop growing season and are therefore highly in favor of having a reserve bank located in St. Louis and believe that the business may be handled more satisfactorily through the branches of such a reserve bank than through banks located in cities like Memphis and Little Rock where demands are of the same nature and occur at the same time that we are seeking credits.

We trust therefore that the Organization Committee will so arrange the St. Louis Reserve Bank with its branches that it may take in our territory at least, rather than establish smaller banks in any city nearer to us because we feel we could not be nearly so well served as through St. Louis which we believe is the money center for this vicinity.

Very truly yours,

Alex Berger
Cashier.

A-M

G. W. PURYEAR, PRESIDENT
W. W. CATE, VICE-PRESIDENT

W. T. LANE, CASHIER
V. C. PETTIE, ASSISTANT CASHIER

BANK OF JONESBORO

CAPITAL \$150,000.00 SURPLUS \$150,000.00

JONESBORO, ARK.

January 16th, 1914.

Reserve Bank Organization Committee,
St. Louis, Missouri.

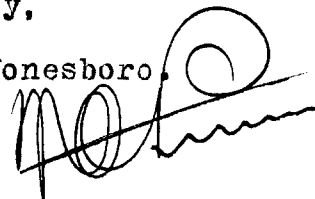
Gentlemen:

This institution desires to go on record as a supporter of the city of St. Louis as a Federal Reserve City, and this city as well as this entire portion of Arkansas, desired to be in the Federal Reserve District of the St. Louis Federal Reserve Bank.

This part, in fact the entire state of Arkansas, is very much interested in *recognizing* the claims of St. Louis as a location of one of the regional abnks, as that city is peculiarly close in a business way to this section, and ~~the~~ financial institutions there have always taken care of the business of this territory, therefore we trust that the claims of St. Louis will secure merited recognition at your hands.

Yours very truly,

Bank of Jonesboro



Cashier.

W. R. STUCK, VICE PRES.
H. WATSON, VICE PRES.

E. C. STUCK, PRESIDENT.

JAS. E. PARR, CASHIER.
J. E. MCKEE, ASST. CASHIER.

NO. 8086.

THE FIRST NATIONAL BANK

CAPITAL \$ 100,000.00
SURPLUS \$ 25,000.00

JONESBORO, ARK.

January 15th., 1914

Mr. J.A.Lewis, Cashier

National Bank of Commerce,

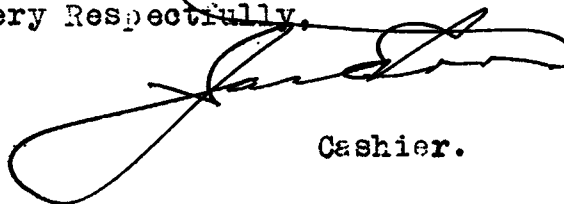
St.Louis, Mo.,

Dear Sir:

As a large majority of of the commercial and financial
business of this section of Arkansas is transacted through
St.Louis, we think it will be much to the advantage of Arkansas
to be placed in the region controlled by the Federal Reserve
Bank of St.Louis.

Please use your best efforts to place these facts before
the Organization Committee.

Very Respectfully,



Cashier.

FARMERS & MERCHANTS BANK

AUTHORIZED CAPITAL \$ 30,000.00
PAID UP CAPITAL \$ 15,000.00

<p>W. F. BAUER, PRES. W. H. L. WOODYARD, VICE-PRES. R. G. DICKINSON, CASHIER.</p>	<p>DIRECTORS W. E. FORBES, A. W. HENSON, HARRY HUNSAKER, N. A. WALLER, J. A. BAUER, L. WERT WISH, J. C. RHEW, R. E. POWELL, J. S. EASTLAND.</p>
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JUDSONIA, ARK., Jan. 14, 1914.

Mechanics-American National Bank,
St. Louis, Mo.

Gentlemen:-

We are very desirous that one of the Federal Reserve Banks be located in St. Louis and that we be included in the St. Louis District, and we hope you will use your influence with the committee to have this section included in your district. We believe practically all of the banks of Ark. will join us in this request.

Yours truly,

Cashier.

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J. S. EASTLAND.

JUDSONIA, ARK., Jan. 16, 1914.

Mr. C. P. Perrie, Secretary,
Little Rock Clearing House Asso.,

Little Rock, Arkansas.

Dear Sir:-

I am very glad to note that the Little Rock Clearing House Association has expressed itself as being in favor of St. Louis having a Federal Reserve Bank. We wish to assure you that this action meets with our hearty approval as we are very anxious to have St. Louis appointed a Federal Reserve City and that we as well as all of Arkansas be included in the district of the St. Louis Federal Reserve Bank.

Yours very truly,

R. G. Dickinson
Cashier.

JOS. SELLMEYER, PRESIDENT

W. J. BROWN, VICE-PRESIDENT

H. C. SELLMEYER, CASHIER

BANK OF KNOBEL

KNOBEL, ARK. January 15th, 1914.,

Mechanics - American National Bank,
St. Louis, Mo.,

Gentlemen:-

We are of the opinion that a
Federal Reserve Bank in St. Louis
would render us the most assistance
as that is the logical city for our
demands.

Yours truly,

H. C. Sellmeyer

Cashier.

C. M. MATTHEWS, PRESIDENT.

F. C. HOLLAND, VICE PRESIDENT.

A. J. SOULL TYPE SETS CO. LITH.
CASHIER.



Citizens State Bank

Lake Village, Ark.

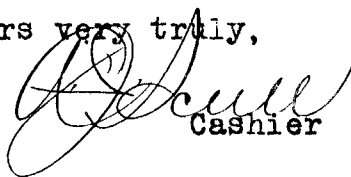
Jan. 17, 1914.

Mr. C. P. Perrie, Secretary,
Little Rock Clearing House Assn.,
Little Rock, Ark.

Dear Sir:

We have your letter of the 13th, and are glad to note the action taken by the Little Rock Clearing House Association. We wish to agree with the Association that St. Louis should be designated as a Federal Reserve City, and are strong in our belief that Arkansas should be in the Federal Reserve District of the St. Louis Federal Reserve Bank. We trust that the Organization Committee may see proper to decide upon such an organization.

Yours very truly,


Cashier

P. F. WINNINGHAM, PRES'T
W. H. WILSON, VICE-PRES'T

J. O. RAGON, CASHIER
J. W. HAWKINS, ASS'T CASHIER

Bank of Lamar

CAPITAL \$ 15,000.00
SURPLUS \$ 15,000.00

Lamar, Ark.

1/16/14.

Federal Reserve Bank Committee,

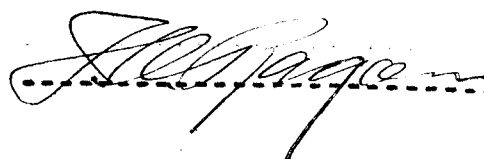
Saint Louis, Mo.

Gentlemen:--

We beg to request that Saint Louis, Mo.,
be designated as one of the Federal reserve Cities.

Yours very truly,

Bank of Lamar, Lamar, Arkansas.

-----Cashier.

THE MERCHANTS NATIONAL BANK

FORT SMITH, ARKANSAS.
OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT.

Lamar, Arkansas.

Jan. 16th, 1914.

The Reserve Bank Organization Committee
at Saint Louis, Mo.

Gentlemen:

It is our earnest desire that the
Regional Reserve Bank for this district
be located at Saint Louis, Mo.

Respectfully,

BANK OF LAMAR,

J. P. Page
.....Cashier.

D. M. CASON, PRESIDENT.
J. W. MADDUX, VICE-PRESIDENT.

LAWRENCE WRIGHT, CASHIER.
S. F. WEST, ASST. CASHIER.



The Citizens Bank

LAVACA, ARK. Jan'y 16th/14

The reserve Bank Organization Committee
at St. Louis, Mo.

Gentlemen:-

It is our earnest desire that the
Regional Reserve Bank for this district be
Located at St. Louis, Mo.

Respectfully,

SEW.

Lawrence Wright
Cashier

CAPITAL STOCK \$50,000.00

10138



OFFICERS:

N. W. REDWINE, PRESIDENT
W. C. LEONARD, VICE-PREST.
ED MAYS, CASHIER

DIRECTORS:

C. C. HATCHETT
W. C. LEONARD
N. W. REDWINE
W. F. BOYD
A. A. MCQUAY
T. F. CLEMONS
ED MAYS

LESLIE, ARKANSAS. J A N U A R Y,
15th
1914.

Mr. J. A. Lewis, Cashier,
National Bank of Commerce,
In St. Louis.

Dear Sir:-

I note that the Federal Organization Committee, will be in your City on the 21st inst., I wish you would tell them for us that we wish to be in the St. Louis district. Nearly all our merchants and other depositors do their buying in St. Louis, and it is the logical place for us. Thanking you in advance for this favor, we are,

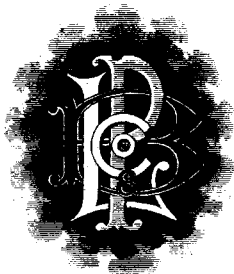
Yours very truly,

Edmund
C a s h i e r.

W. D. STEWART, PRESIDENT.

G. W. DOBSON, VICE-PRESIDENT.

N. D. HARRELL, CASHIER.



Peoples Bank & Loan Co.

AUTHORIZED CAPITAL, \$ 50,000.00.

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January 16th, 1914.

Reserve Bank Organization Committee,
St Louis, Mo.,

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For a great many years this section of the country has been using St Louis as their principal reserve center, and we are of the opinion that it is the most logical point we could get.

And we hope that when your board makes its final decision as to locating the reserve center for Arkansas you will see fit to make St Louis the point.

St Louis has served us very satisfactorily as the reserve center for the past, and we see no reason why it would not be the best and most logical point under the new Federal Reserve Law.

Trusting that your good board will see this matter as we, and thanking you in advance for your careful consideration of the matter, we are,

Very Respectfully,

N. D. Harrell
Cashier.

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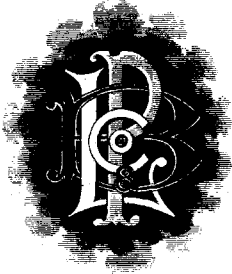
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January 16th, 1914.

Mr C.P.Perrie, Secretary,
Little Rock ClearingHouse Ass'n.,
Little Rock, Ark.,

Dear Sir;

We have your favor of the 13th inst., regarding the matter of St Louis being made a Federal Reserve Center and that Arkansas be placed in the St Louis district.

We are of the opinion that St Louis would be the only logical place for such Reserve for Arkansas, and are willing to lend our aid in any way we can to assist in getting, the district in that way.

We sincerely hope that the Organization Committee, will see fit to place Arkansas in a district, with St Louis as its center, and may the Seven representatives going from your city, be able to bring to bear such strong facts, that they will readily agree to this being done.

With best wishes for the success of this undertaking, and assuring you of our hearty endorsement, we are,

Yours very truly,

N. D. Harrell
Cashier.

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LITTLE ROCK, ARK. JAN 14-14. ²⁶⁹¹

R. S. HOWES, VICE PRESIDENT THIRD NATL BANK,

ST. LOUIS, MO.

LITTLEROCK AND ARKANSAS ARE ENTHUSIASTIC FOR ST. LOUIS FOR REGIONAL
RESERVE BANK WE WANT TO BE IN HER TERRITORY. PLANNING TO
SEND STRONG DELEGATION FROM LITTLEROCK CLEARING HOUSE AND STATE ASSOCI-
ATION TO HEARING ON TWENTY FIRST IF THAT WILL HELP. PLEASE
ADVISE IF I CAN HELP BY GOING ALSO.

ROBERT E. WAIT,

SECY. ARKANSAS BANKERS ASSN.

1122 P.M.

MEMORANDUM FILE ON LITTLE ROCK.

Arkansas Savings Bank

J. S. POLLOCK, PRESIDENT.
THOS. H. SIMMS, JR., SECRETARY.
T. S. SHANNON, TREASURER.
F. W. NIEMEYER, ASST. SECY.

Sixth and Main Streets.

Little Rock, Ark.

January 15th, 1914.

Mr. J. R. Cooke, Cashier,
Third National Bank,
St. Louis, Mo.
My dear Sir:

We are in receipt of a circular letter under date of January 13th issued by the members of your Clearing House Association, in which you express a hope that your correspondents would wish to be in the St. Louis District and would be glad to have an expression of their opinion in regard to this matter.

I wish to say for this Institution that ~~we would feel that it was a great calamity to this section of the country if we were placed in any other District than that in which St. Louis is the center.~~ Our Clearing House Association has adopted resolutions expressing a desire for the banks in this town to have a reserve association located at St. Louis and it is their desire to be assigned to its territory and have arranged to send a delegate to St. Louis to meet the organization Committee. With this Clearing House Committee there will be a representative from our Board of Trade and Chamber of Commerce, and it is expected that this committee will use all its influence to secure the selection of St. Louis as a reserve city and that this territory will be included in the St. Louis District.

Very truly yours,


President.

JSP/L

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Max Mayer	John M. Rose.

Little Rock, Ark. Jan. 10, 1914.

Mr. W. F. Saunders,
 Secretary Business Men's League,
 510 Locust Street,
 St. Louis, Mo.

Dear Sir:

Your favor of the 8th inst., relative to co-operation on the part of this Board of Trade in the interest of the large Regional Bank at St. Louis, received and is having our prompt and proper attention.

You may rest assured, and so advise your Association, that you will have our energetic co-operation.

We would send the resolution, as requested, by today's mail, but for the fact that our Clearing House Association will meet on Monday, the 12th inst. to take action on the proposition. At this meeting we shall also submit your resolution and in every way strengthen the attitude and the action that may be taken by this city.

The Board of Trade has heretofore declined to join with Memphis on behalf of that City. Our connection and our interests are with St. Louis and not with Memphis.

Yours truly,

Geo. R. Brown
 Secretary.



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Little Rock, Ark. Jan 13 1914

Mr. W. F. Sanders,
 Secretary Business Men's League,
 St. Louis, Mo.

Dear Sir:

Replying further to your favor of the 8th inst. I beg to enclose you herewith copy of resolutions adopted at the meeting of the Little Rock Clearing House Association, held in this city on the 12th inst.

Your letter to me states that the meeting of the Organization Committee in St. Louis will be held on the 21st and 22d. The banks here have been notified that this meeting will be held on the 22d and 23d. Please advise us as to the correct dates.

Yours truly,

Secretary.

P.S. Please show copy of this resolution to M. Lewis. He, I think, is Cashier of the National Bank of Commerce of your city.

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Little Rock Chamber of Commerce
LITTLE ROCK, ARKANSAS

January 13, 1913

Wm. Flewellyn Saunders,
Secretary & General Manager,
Business Men's League,
St. Louis, Mo.

My dear Sir:-

I have your kind favor of January 8th regarding the location of one of the Regional Reserve Banks in the City of St. Louis.

We referred this matter to the Clearing House Association of Little Rock and as you are probably already advised adopted resolutions in behalf of the City of St. Louis and have forwarded copies of the same to the Organization Committee of the Federal Reserve Board, Washington, D. C. Committees have also been appointed from the Clearing House Association, the Chamber of Commerce and the Board of Trade to go to St. Louis and appear before the Organization Committee in your behalf also urging that Arkansas be placed in the St. Louis banking district.

We will be very much pleased to have you advise us again of the dates on which the Organization Committee is to be in the City of St. Louis as there seems to be some little discrepancy in the dates mentioned in the various letters received here.

Assuring you of our earnest co-operation, we are

Yours very truly,


Secretary

CCK.LH.

L I T T L E R O C K C L E A R I N G H O U S E A S S O C I A T I O N .

LITTLE ROCK, ARKANSAS.

January 16, 1914.

C. P. Perrie, Secretary,
Clearing House Association,
Little Rock, Ark.

Dear Sir:

This Company emphatically agrees with the opinion of the Little Rock Clearing House Association in that St. Louis should be designated as a Federal Reserve City; and that this part of Arkansas should be included within the district of the St. Louis Federal Reserve Bank. We look upon St. Louis as the commercial center for this territory and it is the natural gateway of commercial business and financial exchange. The trend of trade is through that city now, and attaching this territory to any Federal Reserve Bank located in any other city would be a serious disturbance to the present trend of trade, which in our opinion should clearly be avoided. This situation cannot be too clearly and emphatically laid before the Organization Committee.

Yours very truly,

Vice President & Treasurer

WHEREAS, It is of extreme importance to the City of Little Rock and the State of Arkansas that one of the Regional Reserve Banks be located in St Louis and that every effort should be made to assure the establishment of an institution commensurate with the requirements of the Southwest. And,

WHEREAS, Little Rock is now situated in the St Louis banking district and it is of vital interest to the commerce of this city and state including both trade and agriculture that Arkansas should be in the Federal Reserve District of the St Louis Federal Reserve Bank, And,

WHEREAS, After deducting the New York and Boston Territory, Ninety per cent of the banking business and commerce of this section is tributary to St Louis,

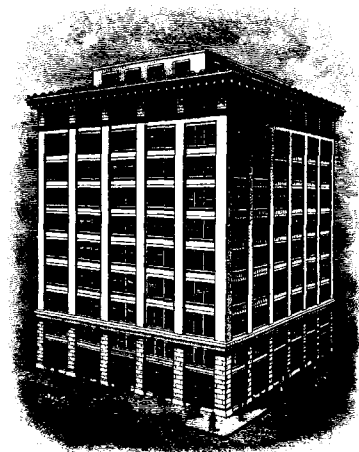
NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Little Rock Clearing House Association allied with the Little Rock Commercial Organizations at a meeting held January 12th, 1914, that we urgently recommend upon the Organization Committee the selection of St Louis as a location for one of the Regional Reserve Banks and further urge upon said Committee that Arkansas be placed in the territory of said St Louis Reserve Bank, And

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That Gordon N. Peay, Ed Cornish, Sam W. Reyburn, C.A. Pratt, W. M. Kavanaugh, R. D. Duncan, and R. E. Wait of the Little Rock Clearing House and Geo. R. Brown, Secretary of the Little Rock Board of Trade, and C. C. Kirkpatrick, Secretary of the Little Rock Chamber of Commerce, be constituted a Committee to present the foregoing resolution to the Organization Committee and that a copy of the resolution be forwarded to the Organization Committee of the Federal Reserve Board, Washington, D. C.

I, C. P. PERRIE, Secretary of the Little Rock Clearing House Association, do hereby certify that the foregoing is an exact copy of the resolutions passed by the Little Rock Clearing House Association at the meeting held in Little Rock Arkansas on January 12th, 1914, at 3:30 p.m.



Secretary Little Rock Clearing House Association



SOUTHERN TRUST BUILDING

SOUTHERN TRUST COMPANY

CAPITAL
FULLY PAID
\$ 500,000.00



W. M. KAVANAUGH, PRESIDENT.
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A. C. READ, VICE-PRESIDENT.
C. G. PRICE, VICE-PRESIDENT.
J. C. CONWAY, SECRETARY.

LITTLE ROCK, ARKANSAS.

January 15, 1914.

Mr. Festus J. Wade, President,
Mercantile National Bank,
St. Louis, Mo.

Dear Sir:-

We are just in receipt of a letter of January 13th., issued by the St. Louis Clearing House Association, relative to the location of one of the Federal Reserve Banks, in St. Louis, and the placing of Arkansas in the St. Louis District.

In reply, we wish to advise that ~~we know that St. Louis is the logical reserve center for Little Rock, and Arkansas, and we believe that the placing of our city in any other territory, would be a calamity to us.~~ The local banks and commercial organizations have held one or two meetings in the interest of this cause, and it has been the unanimous verdict of these meetings, that St. Louis should be named as a Federal Reserve city, and that Little Rock, and probably ~~all of Arkansas, should be placed in the St. Louis territory.~~ The Little Rock Clearing House Association proposes to send a committee of bankers and business men to St. Louis, on the dates set for the hearing by the Organization Committee, urging the selection of St. Louis, as stated above. We sincerely hope that the Organization Committee will realize the importance of this matter, as we see it, and that their decision may be favorable to us, and to you.

If we can be of service in this connection, we hope that we will be called on.

Yours very truly,



Secretary.

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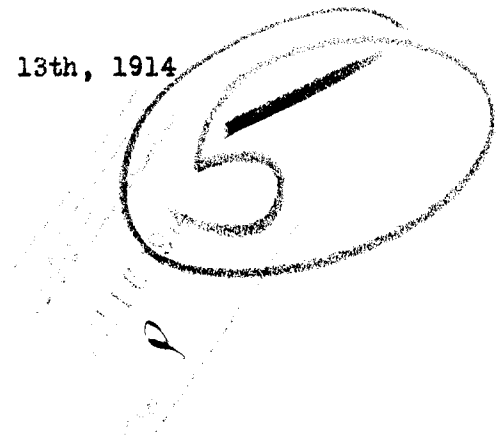
OF LITTLE ROCK, ARK.

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E. J. BODMAN, ASST. SECY.
L. J. GIBSON, TRUST OFFICER.



CAPITAL AND JRPLUS } \$ 400,000.00

January 13th, 1914



Reserve Bank Organization Committee,
Washington, D. C.

Gentlemen:-

Acting under the instructions of the Little
Rock Clearing House Association we enclose a certified copy
of the resolutions passed on January 12th, 1914.

Yours truly,

Secretary & Treasurer

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BANKERS **BROKERS**
REAL ESTATE **INSURANCE**

GORDON N. PEAY, President
GEORGE G. WORTHEN, Vice-President
BEVERLY THRUSTON, Cashier
T. G. BRAGG, Assistant Cashier

CAPITAL \$ 100,000.00
SURPLUS \$ 500,000.00

LITTLE ROCK, ARKANSAS

January 14, 1914.

Mr. Festus J. Wade,

St. Louis, Mo.

Dear Mr. Wade:-

Following up our conversation of a few days ago in regard to having Little Rock placed in the St. Louis territory, I beg to advise that I had a meeting of our Clearing House called and the Chairman appointed a committee, for which I am chairman, to visit St. Louis and wait on the committee to urge this proposition.

We are writing each bank in the State asking them to send a representative, or to send us the authority to represent them. We hope to have the State pretty well covered by next week.

I would be obliged if you would keep me advised as to the movements of the committee.

Sincerely yours,

GNP H



RICE

THE BANK OF LONOKE

CAPITAL STOCK \$ 25,000.00

W.P.FLETCHER, PRESIDENT.
S.S.GLOVER, VICE-PRESIDENT.
W.P.FLETCHER, JR. CASHIER.
AVON B. GOODRUM, ASST. CASHIER.

LONOKE, ARK.,

January 19th., 1914.

National Bank of Commerce,
St. Louis, Mo.,
Gentlemen:

Yours of the 13th. At a meeting of our Board of Directors, to-day, we heartily endorsed the idea of designating St. Louis as the Federal Reserve City, and feel that Arkansas should be in the Federal Reserve District of the St. Louis Federal Reserve Bank.

Arkansas banks do a heavy business through St. Louis, and we feel that the idea indicated above would be to our best interest, and heartily advocate same.

Very respectfully,

Secretary.

President.

W/Y



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We believe this would be to our best interest, and heartily advocate same.

Yours truly,

Secretary.

President.

W/Y

Bank of Lowell
Lowell, Ark.

J. W. KIMMONS, President
J. H. BARR, Cashier
A. C. MAYES, V. Pres. and Ass't Cash.

January Sixteen

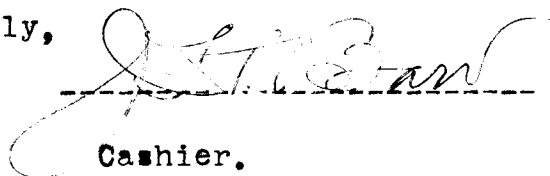
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The
Little Rock Clearing House Association,
Little Rock,
Ark.

Gentlemen:

We heartily endorse your sentiments, that St. Louis should
be designated as a Federal Reserve City, and that Arkansas
Banks should be in the Federal Reserve district of the
St. Louis Federal Reserve Bank.

Very Respectfully,


Cashier.

THE MERCHANTS NATIONAL BANK

FORT SMITH, ARKANSAS.

OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT.

Bank of Lowell

Lowell Ark

The Reserve Bank Organization Committee
at Saint Louis, Mo.

Gentlemen:

It is our earnest desire that the
Regional Reserve Bank for this district
be located at Saint Louis, Mo.

Respectfully,

J. H. Burn
Cashier.

R. P. CHITWOOD, PRESIDENT

F. T. POWERS, FIRST VICE PRESIDENT

J. A. NEWMAN, SECOND VICE PRESIDENT

E. C. ROBERTSON, CASHIER

BANK OF MAGAZINE

CAPITAL STOCK \$25,000.00

MAGAZINE, ARK.,

Jan. 17th-14

Mr. J. R. Cooke, Cashier,
3rd National Bank,
St. Louis,
Mo.

Dear Sir :--

We note that the Reserve Bank Organization Committee will sit at St. Louis on the 21st inst. to consider the advisability of locating a Regional Reserve Bank at that place.

The natural course of a large part of the bank exchanges from this district is to Saint Louis. We therefore favor the location of the Regional Reserve Bank for this district at that point.

We feel sure that an expression from the different banks in this district will aid the Saint Louis people in getting the Regional Bank and it is for this reason that I write you giving an expression of our desires.

Yours very truly,


Cashier

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MAGAZINE, ARK.,

Jan. 17th-14

Mr. C. P. Perrie,
Secy. Little Rock
Clearing House Ass'n.
Little Rock,
Ark.

D e a r S i r :--

Replying to your favor of 13th instant in which you solicit our aid in influencing the Reserve Bank Organization Committee which will be in Saint Louis on January 21st, to to locate a Regional Reserve Bank at that place, will say that I have already written a letter to the above committee giving them and expression of our desire in the matter.

I hope that the committee will see fit to locate a Regional Reserve Bank for this district at that point.

Yours very truly,

E. C. Robertson
Cashier

THE MERCHANTS NATIONAL BANK

FORT SMITH, ARKANSAS.

OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT.

Magazine, Ark.

Jan. 17th-14

The Reserve Bank Organization Committee
at Saint Louis, Mo.

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Respectfully,

Bank of Magazine

By.

E. C. Robertson

Cashier

LITTLE ROCK CLEARING HOUSE ASSOCIATION

J. S. POLLOCK,
MANAGER.

LITTLE ROCK, ARK.

January 13, 1914.

First National Bank,
Malvern, Ark.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Little Rock Clearing House Association, held on January 12th, 1914, the unanimous opinion was, that St. Louis should be designated as a Federal Reserve City and that it was of vital importance that Arkansas should be in the Federal Reserve District of the St. Louis Federal Reserve Bank.

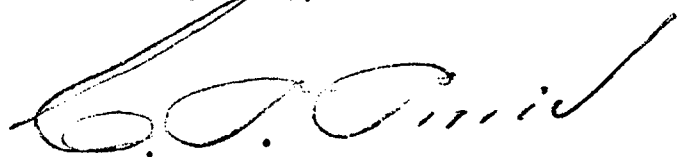
Seven representatives of the clearing House, the Secretary of the Board of Trade and Secretary of the Chamber of Commerce were constituted a committee to appear before the "Reserve Bank Organization Committee" in St. Louis on January 22nd. and 23rd, and urge such action.

Any Arkansas Banker who would lend his aid would be a welcome addition to the Clearing House Committee on the trip to St. Louis, and it would certainly add strength if your institution would prepare a resolution or letter advocating the Organization Committee reaching a decision as above outlined.

Please send us this communication as soon as possible using the enclosed stamped envelope addressed to the writer.

Thanking you in advance, I am,

Yours very truly,



Secretary L. R. Clearing
House Association.

DEAR SIRS

THE WRITER EXPECT TO ATTEND THIS MEETING IN ST LOUIS AND WILL DO EVERY THING POSSIBLE TO HELP MATTERS ALONG

ARE THE ABOVE DATES FOR THE ST LOUIS MEETING CORRECT? I NOTICE THE DAILY PAPERS HAVE OT THE 31 AND 32.

THANKING YOU FOR YOUR REPLY TO THIS LETTER

YOURS TRULY



Farmers Bank

CAPITAL \$ 25,000.00

ELI MEISER, PRESIDENT.
J. R. BURKS, VICE PRESIDENT.
J. W. LIPSCOMB, CASHIER.

Marmaduke, Ark.

1/14/14.

Mechanics-American National Bank,

St. Louis, Mo.,

Gentlemen:- Answering your letter of the 13th
wish to say that it is our desire that St. Louis
be selected as a city in which one of the ^{Regional} ~~original~~
reserve banks be located.

The location of St. Louis and the
railroad facilities and mail service afforded, to-
gether with the fact that we always depend upon
St. Louis in time of need, render it the most suit-
able location for this section.

Yours very truly,

Cashier.

JWL/ELA.

CLAYTON HAILEY, PRESIDENT.

T. C. BULL, Vice Pres
J. C. MCGRODY, VICE-PRESIDENT

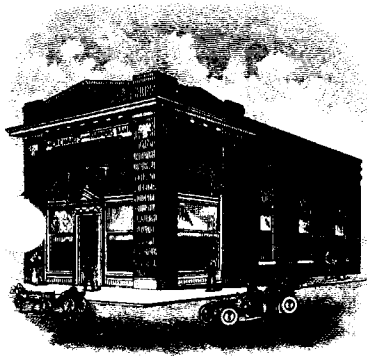
G. W. BARBER, Cashier
~~W. B. KEATING, CASHIER~~

FARMERS AND MERCHANTS BANK

CAPITAL STOCK \$15,000.00 PAID UP

Mc GROY, ARK.

January 14th. 1914.



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Mechanics-American National Bank,
St. Louis, Mo.

Gentlemen:-

In reply to the attached we beg to advise that as St. Louis has been and is the ^{reserve} logical center for this section, therefore it is our desire to be in the St. Louis district.

With our best wishes we are

Yours very truly,

FARMERS AND MERCHANTS BANK,

G. W. Barber
Cashier

Clayton Hailey
President

J. A. LER, PRESIDENT.
G. C. BUFORD, VICE-PRES'T,
C. W. DIXON, CASHIER.

CITIZENS BANK
MAMMOTH SPRING, ARK.
PAID IN CAPITAL & SURPLUS \$22,000.00.

January 17th 1914.

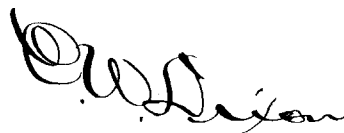
Mr. C. P. Perrie,
Sec. L. R. Clearing House Assn.
Little Rock, Arkansas.

Dear Sir:-

Replying to your favor of the 13th Inst.
relative to the location of a Federal Reserve Bank at
St. Louis.

We are heartily in accord with this movement
and will gladly render any assistance within our power.

Yours very truly,



Cashier.

S. L. COOK. RESIDENT

J. L. TURNER, VICE-PRESIDENT

J. B. SWIFT. CHIEF

BANK OF MARVELL

CAPITAL \$20,000.00

MARVELL, ARKANSAS Jan'y. 16th. 1914.

Mr. C. P. Perrie, Secy.,
Little Rock Clearing House Assn.,
Little Rock, Arkansas.

Dear Sir:-

In reply to your favor of the 13th. will say that we very much favor the designation of St. Louis, Mo. as a Federal Reserve City and that Arkansas be included in the Reserve District of the St. Louis Federal Reserve Bank. We have so written our St. Louis Correspondent. This is the feeling of our Board of Directors, however should you desire in form of resolution of Board will be glad to furnish same.

Yours very truly,


Cashier.

THE MERCHANTS NATIONAL BANK

FORT SMITH, ARKANSAS.

OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT.

Midland, Ark.

Jan. 17, 1914.

The Reserve Bank Organization Committee
at Saint Louis, Mo.

Gentlemen:

It is our earnest desire that the
Regional Reserve Bank for this district
be located at Saint Louis, Mo.

Respectfully,

MIDLAND STATE BANK,


Cashier.

J. L. ALLEN, Pres't
G. W. LAMBERT, 1st Vice Pres't
JOS. S. HARRIS, 2nd Vice Pres't
GEO. A. KNOX, CASHIER



Monticello, Ark. Jan. 16th. 1914.

Mr. C.P. Perrie, Secy.
Little Rock Clearing House, Assn.
Little Rock, Ark.

Dear Sir:-

I have just written a letter to the Secy. of the Mercantile Trust Co, of St. Louis, Mo. in which I stated that it was the desire of the Commercial Loan & Trust Co. to be connected with the St. Louis, Mo. District.

In that letter I gave him some of the reasons for this desire on our part, mainly however was the reason that St. Louis, is the logical center of the district composing the South, South West and immediate west.

I would like to add whatever influence we may have in the matter toward having the organization committee to make St. Louis a reserve city and to have Arkansas included in the territory to be supplied from that point.

I hope that the Committee being sent out by your association will make a strong appeal for this action.

Yours Truly,

GEO. A. KNOX
Cashier.

C. T. HARRIS, PRESIDENT.
R. L. HARDY, VICE PRES.



R. L. HYATT, CASHIER.
JAMES JACKSON, ASST. CASH.

January 15th, 1914.

The National Bank of Commerce,
St. Louis, Mo.,

Gentlemen:-

We desire you to say to the Organization Committee of the Federal Reserve Banks that ~~that~~ we very much prefer that the Regional Bank which shall embrace this territory be located at St. Louis. Our St. Louis account is by long odds our most active account.

Yours truly,

Cashier.

C. T. HARRIS, President.
R. L. HARDY, Vice Pres.



R. L. HYATT, Cashier.
JAMES JACKSON, Asst. Cash.

January 20th, 1914.

Mr. C. P. Perrie,
Secretary Clearing House Association,
Little Rock, Ark.,

My dear Mr. Perrie:-

Answering your letter of the 13th we desire to say that we endorse the action of the Clearing House in Little Rock asking the Organization Committee to designate St. Louis as a Federal Reserve City and that Arkansas be included in the Federal Reserve District of the St. Louis Regional Bank. And in this connection, we desire to add that three-fourths of our transit business is with our St. Louis Correspondent.

Yours very truly

Cashier.

DR. A. L. WILSFORD, PRESIDENT J. L. TAYLOR, VICE PRESIDENT D. F. LACEY, CASHIER

Bank of Moro

CAPITAL \$ 10,000.00

Moro, Arkansas January 19th, 1914.

Mr. C. P. Perrie, Secretary,
Little Rock Clearing House,
Little Rock, Ark.

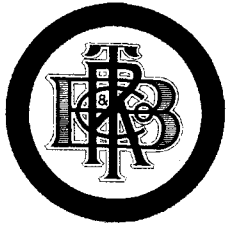
Dear Sir:-

I have your favor of the 13th, in which you state that a committee has been selected from the Clearing House, the Board of Trade and the Chamber of Commerce to appear before the Reserve Bank Organization Committee in St. Louis on January 22nd, for the purpose of recommending to this committee that Arkansas be in the Federal Reserve District of the St. Louis Reserve Bank. I think this a good move, for it would certainly be to the interest of the Arkansas banks, in my opinion, to be in the St. Louis District.

We certainly favor the action as set out in your letter and if we can be of any service to the Committee further than to say that we favor its action you have only to call on us.

Yours truly,


Cashier.



WOOD RAINWATER, PRESIDENT.
CLOUDY NIGHT RAINWATER, VICE-PRES.
NIGHT RAINWATER, SECY. & TREAS.

CAPITAL \$ 50,000.00.

MORRILTON, ARK.

Jan 14 - 1914

Federal Reserve Bank, Council

Washington D.C.

We hope you will establish
a Fed Reserve Bank in St Louis.

It is our banking & merchandise
town for Arkansas -

Truly
Yours
Rainwater Bank & Trust.
Wood Rainwater -



WOOD RAINWATER, PRESIDENT.
CLOUDY NIGHT RAINWATER, VICE-PRES.
NIGHT RAINWATER, SECY. & TREAS.

CAPITAL \$ 50,000.00.

MORRILTON, ARK.

Reserve Bank Committee
St Louis. =

We ask you to designate St Louis
as one of the "Reserve Bank towns"
It is Ark headquarters,
^{well} in fact the headquarters & both in
Mise & Banking. for 6 or 10 best states
in the union = If you don't do, it =
we "pity" your ignorance

Yours
Rainwater BK & Trust Co

THE MERCHANTS NATIONAL BANK

FORT SMITH, ARKANSAS.
OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT.

Mountainburg Ark.

Jan the 16th 1914.

The Reserve Bank Organization Committee
at Saint Louis, Mo.

Gentlemen:

It is our earnest desire that the
Regional Reserve Bank for this district
be located at Saint Louis, Mo.

Respectfully,


Cashier.

Bank of Mountainburg.

Farmer & Merchants Bank

CAPITAL STOCK, \$25,000.00

G. W. WAGNER, PRESIDENT
JAS. M. FARMER, VICE PRESIDENT
S. B. HAWKINS, CASHIER
HORACE WAGNER, ASS'T CASHIER

Mulberry, Arkansas

January 16th. 1914.

DIRECTORS

C. C. S. B. JORDAN
IDUS BURCHAM JAS. PENDERGRASS
J. D. ALEXANDER M. L. MCCABE

Mr. C. P. Perrier Sec'y.,
Little Rock, Ark.

Dear Sir:

We are highly in favor of St. Louis being designated
as a Federal Reserve City.

Yours very truly,



Asst. Casier

THE MERCHANTS NATIONAL BANK

FORT SMITH, ARKANSAS.

OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT.

Mulberry, Ark.,

January 16th. 1914.

The Reserve Bank Organization Committee
at Saint Louis, Mo.

Gentlemen:

It is our earnest desire that the
Regional Reserve Bank for this district
be located at Saint Louis, Mo.

Respectfully,

FARMERS & MERCHANTS BANK.

Lawrence C. ...

LITTLE ROCK CLEARING HOUSE ASSOCIATION

J. S. POLLOCK,
MANAGER.

LITTLE ROCK, ARK.

January 13, 1914.

Bank of Mulberry,

Mulberry, Ark.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Little Rock Clearing House Association, held on January 12th, 1914, the unanimous opinion was, that St. Louis should be designated as a Federal Reserve City and that it was of vital importance that Arkansas should be in the Federal Reserve District of the St. Louis Federal Reserve Bank.

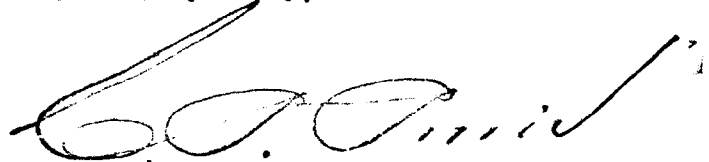
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Any Arkansas Banker who would lend his aid would be a welcome addition to the Clearing House Committee on the trip to St. Louis, and it would certainly add strength if your institution would prepare a resolution or letter advocating the Organization Committee reaching a decision as above outlined.

Please send us this communication as soon as possible using the enclosed stamped envelope addressed to the writer.

Thanking you in advance, I am,

Yours very truly,



Secretary L. R. Clearing
House Association.

*We have already written
Mueshans with Bank of St.
Louis relative to the above
Bank Muller*

THE MERCHANTS NATIONAL BANK

FORT SMITH, ARKANSAS.
OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT.

Mulberry Ark. Jan. 16th. 1914.

The Reserve Bank Organization Committee
at Saint Louis, Mo.

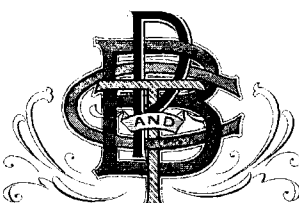
Gentlemen:

It is our earnest desire that the
Regional Reserve Bank for this district
be located at Saint Louis, Mo.

Respectfully,

BANK OF MULBERRY

M. Alward
Cashier.



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Planters Bank and Trust Company

W.H.TOLAND, PRESIDENT.
J.H.WALLACE, VICE-PRES.
A.C.RAMSEY, VICE-PRES.

CAPITAL STOCK \$100,000.00
GEO.H.BELL, CASHIER

W.K.HALLER, ASST. CASHIER.
A.H.HUGHES, ASST. CASHIER.
J.M.POWER, SECRETARY.

Nashville, Ark.

Jany, 14th. 1918

Mechanics American National Bank

St. Louis, Mo.

Gentlemen;-

We desire to ~~state~~ that we earnestly desire to ~~be~~ put in the St. Louis Regional Reserve Bank/^{District,} which is under the consideration of Organisation Committee.

The close connection between the business interests of Southwest Arkansas and St. Louis as a money center makes it an absolute necessity that we do business and carry most of our reserves in St. Louis. It is my opinion that if this section should be put into any other district, we would be forced from a standpoint of convenience and service, to carry our account still in St. Louis.

We have been served for many years in such a satisfactory manner, by our St. Louis Correspondent, that it would take a very ⁱⁿ drastic law and great changes/conditions to induce us to make any change in our present connections.

If necessary, please present this letter to the above mentioned committee.

Yours very truly

Cashier.

JAMES W. GRUBBS, PREST.
ALCORN FERGUSON, V. PREST.

CHAS. G. HENRY, CASHIER.
GARLAND HURT, ASST. CASHIER.

ARKANSAS BANK AND TRUST CO.,

CAPITAL \$ 50,000.00
SURPLUS \$ 50,000.00

THE DORSEY COMPANY DALLAS TEX

NEWPORT, ARK., Jan. 14th, 1914,

Boatmens Bank,

ST. Louis, Mo.,

Gentlemen:-

I wish to place this bank on record as being in favor of St. Louis as the location of the Federal Reserve Bank for this district. The following figures will, I believe, show more than I could write in any other way regarding the natural flow of business out of this territory. We have been in business eleven years and have not changed any of our correspondents in that time. We commenced to number all of our drafts with number one when we started in business and by reference to my draft register today I find the following situation.

We have drawn drafts against our correspondents as follows.

Boatmens Bank, St. Louis	<u>35,100</u>
Chase National Bank, New York	6,200
First National Bank, Memphis,	5,100
Bank of Commerce, Little Rock	15,300

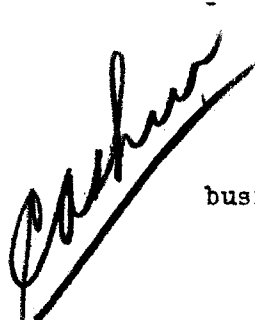
I think this shows very plainly the natural flow of
business.

Yours truly,



Cashier

CGH/C



JAMES W. GRUBBS, PREST.
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GARLAND HURT, ASST. CASHIER.

ARKANSAS BANK AND TRUST CO.,

CAPITAL \$ 50,000.00
SURPLUS \$ 50,000.00

THE DORSEY COMPANY DALLAS TEX

NEWPORT, ARK., Jan. 19th, 1914,

Mr. C. P. Perrie, Secretary,

Little Rock Clearing House Association,

Little Rock, Ark.,

Dear Mr. Perrie:-

I thought this letter would be better than one
from each of us.

Wishing you much success, I am,

Yours truly,



Cashier

CGH/C

Newport, Ark. January, 19th, 1914,

C. P. Perrie, Secretary,

Little Rock Clearing House Association,

Little Rock, Ark.,

Dear Sir:-

We the undersigned banks of the city of Newport,
Jackson County, wish to add our voice to yours in asking that
St. Louis be made the location of one of the Federal Reserve
Banks.

Seventy five or eighty per cent of our business
naturally goes to St. Louis and we believe that it would be
the proper place for a bank for this territory.

Yours truly,

ARKANSAS BANK & TRUST CO.

By Chas G Henry Cash

THE FARMERS BANK OF NEWPORT, ARK.

By Wm M Quayway Pres

First National Bank.

M. C. Peeling Pres

H. W. MOORE, President

A. G. DUNLAP, Cashier

W. J. WARD, Vice President

Bank of Nimmons

CAPITAL \$10,000.00

NIMMONS, ARK. January 17th, 1914. 1914

Little Rock Clearing House Association
Little Rock, Ark.

Gentlemen:-

We are highly in favor of St. Louis being designated as a Federal Reserve City and it is our desire that Arkansas should be in that Federal Reserve District.

Yours truly,


"Cashier."

Dr. R. W. CUPP, President

JACK GETSON, Vice-President

J. E. CONNELLY, Cashier

CITIZENS' BANK of O'KEAN

Authorized Capital, \$10,000.00

O'Kean, Ark.,.....16,.....1914

Little Rock Clearing House Asst,
Little Rock Ark.

Gentlemen;

in reply to your favor of 13th, inst,
will say, that it is our opinion that st louis
should be a reserve city and Arkansas should
be in this reserve district.

yours truly,

R. W. Cupp
President.

LITTLE ROCK CLEARING HOUSE ASSOCIATION

J. S. POLLOCK,
MANAGER.

LITTLE ROCK, ARK.

January 13, 1914.

Bank of Okolona,

Okolona, Ark.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Little Rock Clearing House Association, held on January 12th, 1914, the unanimous opinion was, that St. Louis should be designated as a Federal Reserve City and that it was of vital importance that Arkansas should be in the Federal Reserve District of the St. Louis Federal Reserve Bank.

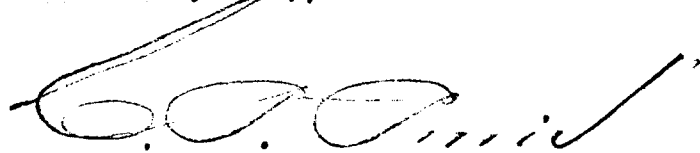
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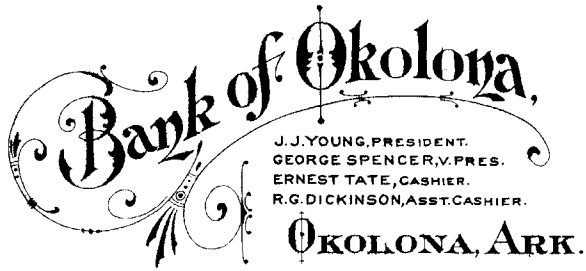
Thanking you in advance, I am,

Yours very truly,



Secretary L. R. Clearing
House Association.

We have already forwarded our letter to Natl Bk of Com., St Louis, as above indicated. Bk of Okolona



Jan. 14, 1914.

Mr. J. A. Lewis, Cashier,
National Bank of Commerce,
St. Louis, Mo.

Dear sir:-

I feel that it is absolutely necessary that St. Louis be made the Reserve center for a district composed of Arkansas, Kentucky, Kansas, Mississippi, Missouri, Nebraska, Louisiana, Oklahoma, Southern Illinois and Southern Indiana, Tennessee and Texas, in accordance with the new currency law. We of the south could hardly get along with any other arrangement than that I have designated. I hope you can get the matter before our Hon. Sec. of Treas. and Hon. Sec. of Agriculture so that our present arrangement with St. Louis as our center can be continued under the new law. With best wishes, I am,

Yours very truly,

Ernest Tate,
Cashier.



BANK OF OLA

CAPITAL
\$30,000.00.

O. J. HARKEY, PRESIDENT.
W. H. RANKIN, VICE-PRES.
H. V. GEORGE, CASHIER.
J. P. NORMAN, ASST. CASHIER.

OLA, ARKANSAS.

January 16,

1 9 1 4.

The Reserve Bank Organization Committee
at Saint Louis, Missouri.

Gentlemen:-

It is our earnest desire that the
Regional Reserve Bank for this district be located
at Saint Louis, Mo.

Respectfully,

Bank of Ola
Cashier.

THE MERCHANTS NATIONAL BANK

FORT SMITH, ARKANSAS.
OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT.

Ola, Arkansas

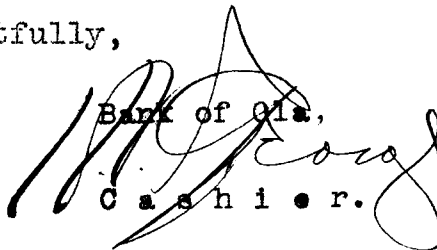
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Respectfully,


Cashier.

DR. E. W. BLACKBURN, PRES.
J. F. MAXEY, V. PRES.
J. N. O. E. BRYA, CASHIER.
T. C. MOORE, ASST. CASHIER.



Jany. 15th. 1914

Mr. C. P. Perrie, Secy.,

Little Rock, Ark.

Dear Sir-

As requested we enclose letter addressed to Regional Reserve Committee asking that St. Louis be designated for this district.

We have had several communications urging us to do this and think it the proper thing to do, as the next nearest will probably be New Orleans, with which this section does very little business, altho at one time it did perhaps 90% of its business there.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "T. C. Moore", written in dark ink.

DR. E. W. BLACKBURN, Pres.
J. F. MAXEY, Pres.
J. N. O. E. BRYAN, Cashier.
T. C. MOORE, Asst. Cashier.



Jan'y. 16th. 1914

Reserve Bank Organization Committee,
Saint Louis, Mo.

Gentlemen—

It is our earnest desire that the Regional Reserve Bank for this district be located at Saint Louis, Mo., because it is most convenient and cares for the greatest volume of business from this territory.

Respectfully,

E. W. Blackburn Pres.

John E. Bryan Cashier.

THE MERCHANTS NATIONAL BANK

FORT SMITH, ARKANSAS.
OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT.

Ozark, Arkansas.

Jany. 16th. 1914

The Reserve Bank Organization Committee
at Saint Louis, Mo.

Gentlemen:

It is our earnest desire that the
Regional Reserve Bank for this district
be located at Saint Louis, Mo.

Respectfully,

E. W. Blackburn Prest.

John S. Bryan Cashier.
Arkansas Valley Bank, Ozark, Ark.

LITTLE ROCK CLEARING HOUSE ASSOCIATION

J. S. POLLOCK,
MANAGER.

LITTLE ROCK, ARK.

January 13, 1914.

Peoples Bank,

Ozark, Ark.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Little Rock Clearing House Association, held on January 12th, 1914, the unanimous opinion was, that St. Louis should be designated as a Federal Reserve City and that it was of vital importance that Arkansas should be in the Federal Reserve District of the St. Louis Federal Reserve Bank.

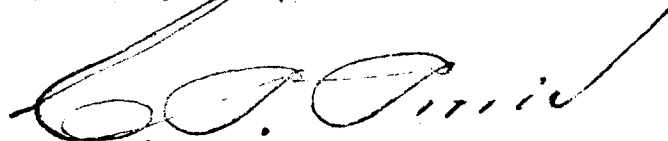
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Please send us this communication as soon as possible using the enclosed stamped envelope addressed to the writer.

Thanking you in advance, I am,

Yours very truly,



Secretary L. R. Clearing
House Association.

Dear Sir:-

We have forwarded resolution to our Ft. Smith correspondent, which it will mail to St. Louis.

Yours truly,

Harley Russell
Cashier.

THE MERCHANTS NATIONAL BANK

FORT SMITH, ARKANSAS.

OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT.

Ozark, Arkansas.

January 16th, 1914.

The Reserve Bank Organization Committee
at Saint Louis, Mo.

Gentlemen:

It is our earnest desire that the
Regional Reserve Bank for this district
be located at Saint Louis, Mo.

Respectfully,

The Peoples Bank
By Harley Russell
Cashier

HARRY CHURCHILL, PRESIDENT

R. I. BLACKSHARE, CASHIER

J. D. CASTLEBERRY, VICE PRESIDENT

PANGBURN STATE BANK

CAPITAL STOCK \$20,000.00

PANGBURN, ARK. Jany. 17th. 1914.

Third Nat'l. Bank,

St. Louis, Mo.

Gentlemen;

WE are glad to know that St. Louis is so strongly urged by the banks and business men of this great territory tributary to that city as one of the Federal Reserve Cities.

A large percent of the business of this bank and of our merchants is done with St. Louis, and therefore a Regional Bank under the New Federal Bank Law would best serve us, if located in St. Louis. Indeed it appears to us at this time that if this section were in any other reserve district, it would be inconvenient, the bankers and business men of St. Louis are familiar with conditions in Arkansas, and certainly we can best be served by having St. Louis named as a federal Reserve City.

Yours very truly,

R. I. Blackshare
Cashier

HARRY CHURCHILL, PRESIDENT

R. I. BLACKSHARE, CASHIER

J. D. CASTLEBERRY, VICE PRESIDENT

PANGBURN STATE BANK

CAPITAL STOCK \$20,000.00

PANGBURN, ARK. 1/17th. 1914.

Mr. C. P. Perrie,

Little Rock, Ark.

Dear Sir;

Your letter Jany. 13th., We are much interested in having St. Louis designated as a Federal Reserve City and in having Arkansas in the Federal Reserve District of the St. Louis Federal Reserve Bank.

A large percent of the business of our merchants and of this bank is with St. Louis and we are strong for St. Louis. If we can do anything more to advance the interest of St. Louis, call on us and make suggestions.

We are to-day writing our correspondant Bank in St. Louis.

Yours very truly,

Harry Churchill
 -----President,
R. I. Blackshare
 -----Cashier,

R.H. WEATHERLY, VICE-PRESIDENT
H.S. TRICE, VICE-PRESIDENT

A. BERTIG, PRESIDENT
6846

J.M. LOWE, CASHIER
E.W. GARDNER, ASSISTANT CASHIER

THE FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF PARAGOULD

CAPITAL \$ 50,000.00 SURPLUS \$ 20,000.00

PARAGOULD, ARK.

Jan. 16, 1918.

C. P. Perrie, Secretary,

Little Rock Clearing House Assn.,

Little Rock, Ark.

Dear Sir:

Answering your favor of the 13th inst., beg to advise that our President, Mr. A. Bertig, will be in St. Louis at the meeting on the 22nd and 23rd, and will do all he can to assist you in securing the St. Louis Federal Reserve Bank.

Yours truly,

J.M. Lowe
Cashier

NATIONAL BANK OF COMMERCE,

CAPITAL \$ 100,000.⁰⁰ SURPLUS \$ 125,000.⁰⁰

ELI MEISER, PRESIDENT.
R. JACKSON, VICE PRESIDENT.
H.W. WOOSLEY, CASHIER.
W.T. STEDMAN, ASST. CASHIER.

PARAGOULD, ARK. Jan 3rd 1914.

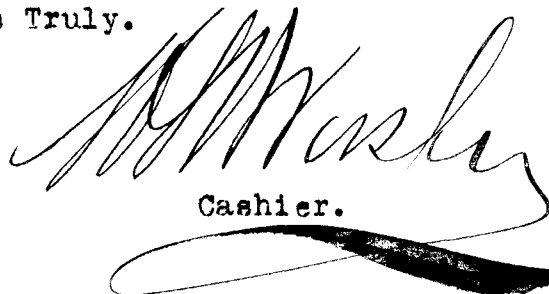
Mr. Walker Hill, President,
Mechanics-American National Bank,

Dear Sir:- St.,ouis, Mo.

When the hearing before the committee for the establishment of regional banks is held at St.louis, we will thank you to use your influence to have this territory attached to the St.Louis bank.

This is strictly St.,ouis territory and we dont want to have to go to some other point. We think it would be to our mutual advantage to be connected with the St.Louis bank. Thanking you for what you can do in this matter, Iam,

Yours Truly.



Cashier.

NATIONAL BANK OF COMMERCE,

CAPITAL \$ 100,000.00 SURPLUS \$ 125,000.00

ELI MEISER, PRESIDENT.
R. JACKSON, VICE PRESIDENT.
H.W. WOOSLEY, CASHIER.
W.T. STEDMAN, ASST. CASHR.

PARAGOULD, ARK. Jan 17th 1914.

Mr. C.P. Perrie, Secretary,

Little Rock Clearing House Association.

Dear Sir:- Little Rock, Ark.

We are in receipt of your favor of the 13th and beg to state that we are heartily in favor of the endorsement of St. Louis as a Reserve City and also that the section be included in its scope. We have had the matter up with our St. Louis correspondents for some time and will have a representative at St. Louis to personally present the matter.

Yours Truly.



Cashier.



WESTERN UNION

TELEGRAM
THEO. N. VAIL, PRESIDENT

RECEIVED AT Commercial Building, 514 Olive St., St. Louis, Mo. ALWAYS OPEN

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PARIS ARK JAN 21 1914

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THIRD NATIONAL BANK

ST LOUIS MO

DESIRE REGIONAL RESERVE BANK LOCATED AT STLOUIS FOR THIS DISTRICT

BANK OF PARIS

933 AM



**THE MERCHANTS NATIONAL BANK**

FORT SMITH, ARKANSAS.

OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT.

Paris Carhoun  
Jan 17-1914

The Reserve Bank Organization Committee  
at Saint Louis, Mo.

Gentlemen:

It is our earnest desire that the  
Regional Reserve Bank for this district  
be located at Saint Louis, Mo.

Respectfully,

German-American Bank & Trust Co.,

PARIS, ARK,

*B. M. Brady Cashier*

OFFICERS:  
J. J. SMITH  
PRESIDENT  
J. S. SHIBLEY  
W. B. RHYNE  
VICE PRESIDENTS  
W. C. ROADY  
CASHIER  
CHAS. F. WAHL  
ASS'T CASHIER

# GERMAN-AMERICAN BANK & TRUST CO.

PAID UP CAPITAL \$50,000

DIRECTORS:  
J. J. SMITH  
J. S. SHIBLEY  
W. B. RHYNE  
JOHN D. DEEN  
A. M. SMITH  
A. C. JOHNS  
J. R. SMITH  
ABEL NEHUS  
CHAS. F. WAHL

PARIS, ARKANSAS Jan 17-1914.

To The Reserve Bank Organization Committee,

At Saint Louis Mo.

Gentlemen,

It is our earnest desire that the Regional Reserve Bank for this district be located at Saint Louis, Mo.

Respectfully,

German-American Bank & Trust Co,

By W. C. Roady Cashier.

R. G. WILLIAMS, PRESIDENT

W. E. BARNES, VICE-PRESIDENT

W. W. MORRIS, CASHIER



# BANK OF PARKDALE

CAPITAL STOCK, \$15,000.00

PARKDALE, ARK.  
Jan. 17, 1914.

Mr. C. P. Perrie,  
Secretary of Little Rock Clearing  
House Association,  
Little Rock, Ark.

Dear Sir;

We respectfully request, that your committee, which is to appear before the Reserve Bank Organization Committee in St. Louis on Jan. 22nd, and 23rd, to represent our little Bank as being in favor of St. Louis being designated as a Federal Reserve City and that Arkansas should be in the Federal Reserve district of the St. Louis Federal Reserve Bank.

Yours very truly,

President of Bank of Parkdale.

G. BERGH COLVIN, Pres.  
T. E. HOLMES, Vice Pres.  
M. M. CREASEY, Cashier

No. 6706

**FIRST NATIONAL BANK**

OF PERRY

CAPITAL \$25,000.00 SURPLUS \$6,000.00

PERRY, ARK.

JANY. 15th. 1914.

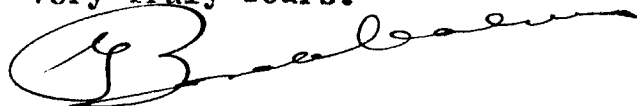
The National Bank of Commerce.

St. Louis, Mo.

Gentlemen:-

We desire to make known to you and through you the Organization Committee of the Federal Reserve Banks, our desire that St. Louis be made one of the Regional Bank Stations, and also that we desire to have our territory place in that territory to be served by the St. Louis Regional Bank. Kindly convey this information to the Committee.

Very Truly Yours.



President.

J. P. POTTER, PRES. L. HUNTER, Vice-PRES. J. K. BROWNING, CASHIER. E. R. WINTON, ASS'T CASHIER

**BANK OF PIGGOTT**

CAPITAL STOCK, \$20,000.00

PIGGOTT, ARK.

Piggott, Arkansas, January Fifteen,

Nineteen Hundred Fourteen.

**Mechanics-American National Bank,**

**St. Louis, Mo.**

**Gentlemen:**

You may make such use of our name as you find <sup>desirable</sup> ~~advantageous~~ in securing one of the Regional Banks for St. Louis. The bulk of our business is handled ~~in~~ through St. Louis, and we consider it our banking center, and want to be in the territory of which St. Louis is the financial center under the new law.

Yours very truly,

*J. K. Browning*  
Cashier.

J. P. POTTER, PRES.      INTER, VICE-PRES.      J. K. BROWNING, CASHIER.      E. R. WINTON, ASS'T CASHIER

**BANK OF PIGGOTT**

CAPITAL STOCK, \$20,000.00

PIGGOTT, ARK.

**Piggott, Arkansas, January Sixteen,  
Nineteen Hundred Thirteen.**

**Mr. C. P. Perrie, Secretary,  
Little Rock, Clearing House Ass'n,  
Little Rock, Arkansas.**

**Dear Sir:**

**You are authorized to use the name of this bank as favorable to  
having Arkansas placed in the Federal Reserve District of the St. Louis  
Federal Reserve Bank.**

**Yours very truly,**

  
**Cashier.**

# CLAY COUNTY BANK

CAPITAL STOCK \$50,000.00

H. W. MOORE, PRESIDENT  
J. H. THOMAS, V-PRESIDENT  
O. H. PARRISH, CASHIER  
H. S. MOORE, ASS'T CASHIER

Piggott, Ark. Jan. 16, 1914.

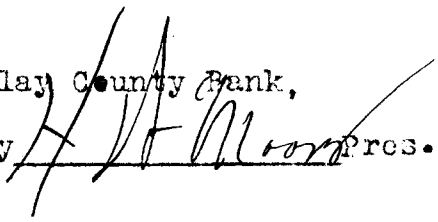
National Bank of Commerce,  
St. Louis, Mo.

Gentlemen:-

We certainly want St. Louis to have one of the Federal Reserve Banks and we want to be in the St. Louis District for the reason that practically all the commercial business of this section of the country is done through St. Louis.

Yours truly,

Clay County Bank,

By  Pres.

# THE BANK OF PINE BLUFF.

CAPITAL \$100,000.00  
SURPLUS \$100,000.00

W. D. HEARN, PRESIDENT.  
A. W. NUNN, VICE PRES.  
W. C. HUDSON, CASHIER.  
C. W. PETTIGREW, ASST. CASHIER.

PINE BLUFF, ARK., January 15th, 1914.

Mr. J. A. Lewis, Cashier,  
National Bank of Commerce,  
St. Louis, Mo.

Dear Sir:-

We are in receipt of a letter dated January 13th, from the St. Louis Clearing House Association, requesting us to write you a letter recommending St. Louis as a location for one of the Federal Reserve Banks.

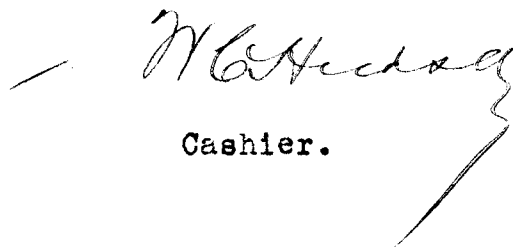
We certainly think that one of the Federal Reserve Banks should be located in St. Louis for the reason that St. Louis is Arkansas' principal money market and center of trade. Our train schedule is such that St. Louis is six hours earlier than Memphis, which is three hundred miles nearer Pine Bluff.

We furthermore believe that the States of Missouri, Kansas, Nebraska, Texas, Arkansas, Oklahoma, Kentucky, Tennessee, Louisiana, Mississippi Southern Illinois and Southern Indiana should comprise *with* Federal Reserve Bank located at St. Louis.

We do not believe that there is a City that could render us the assistance, financial aid, and accommodation that St. Louis can, and we certainly hope that the Organization Committee will place one of the Federal Reserve Banks in St. Louis, and will include Arkansas in the territory.

If you would like for our Clearing House to take action in the matter, I will ask you to please write Mr. J. E. Boyce, President, or let me know, and I am sure the Clearing House will be glad to endorse the proposition.

Yours very truly,



WCH/LD.

Cashier.



## THE BANK OF PINE BLUFF.

CAPITAL \$100,000.<sup>00</sup>  
SURPLUS \$100,000.<sup>00</sup>

W. D. HEARN, PRESIDENT.  
A. W. NUNN, VICE PRES.  
W. C. HUDSON, CASHIER.  
C. W. PETTIGREW, ASST. CASHIER.

PINE BLUFF, ARK., January 16th, 1914.

Mr. C. P. Perrie,  
Little Rock, Ark.

Dear Sir:-

We beg to acknowledge receipt of your letter of the 13th, asking us to write you a letter endorsing St. Louis as the proper place for the location of one of the Federal Reserve Banks.

We wrote Mr. J. A. Lewis, Cashier of the National Bank of Commerce, St. Louis, yesterday, endorsing the proposition, at the request of the St. Louis Clearing House, which we presume will answer the purpose.

Yours truly,



Cashier.

WCH/LD.



R. M. KNOX, 1ST VICE PRES.  
GEO. L. MADDING, 2ND VICE PRES.

JOHN B. SPEERS, PRESIDENT.

M. E. BLOOM, CASHIER.  
R. L. BYRD, ASST. CASHIER.

# THE CITIZENS BANK OF PINE BLUFF

CAPITAL \$ 300,000.00.      SURPLUS \$ 100,000.00.

**PINE BLUFF, ARK.,**

January 16th, 1914.

Mr. C. P. Perrie, Sect'y,  
Little Rock Clearing House Association,  
Little Rock, Ark.

Dear sir : --

We beg to acknowledge receipt of your favor of the 13th inst. advising that at a meeting of the Little Rock Clearing House Association held recently the unanimous opinion was that St. Louis should be designated a Federal Reserve City, and that it was of importance that Arkansas should be in the Federal Reserve District of the St. Louis Federal Reserve Bank.

We are heartily in accord with the opinion held by your Clearing House Association, and we are enclosing herewith a letter to the Reserve Bank Organization Committee.

Your 

Cashier.



R. M. KNOX, 1<sup>ST</sup> VICE PRES.  
GEO. L. MADDING, 2<sup>ND</sup> VICE PRES.

JOHN B. SPEERS, PRESIDENT.

M. E. BLOOM, CASHIER.  
R. L. BYRD, ASST. CASHIER.

## THE CITIZENS BANK OF PINE BLUFF

CAPITAL \$ 300,000.00.      SURPLUS \$ 100,000.00.

**PINE BLUFF, ARK.,**

January 16th, 1914.

Reserve Bank Organization Committee,  
St. Louis, Mo.

Gentlemen : --

Pine Bluff's banking interests  
are so allied with that of St. Louis we are taking  
the liberty of addressing this communication to  
your honorable body and suggesting that St. Louis  
should be designated as a Federal Reserve City, and  
that Arkansas should be in the Federal Reserve District  
of the St. Louis Federal Reserve Bank.

Yours truly

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "M. E. Bloom".

Cashier.

S. C. ALEXANDER, PRESIDENT      W. L. DEWOODY, VICE PRES.      A. D. FOSTER, CASHIER  
**The Merchants & Planters Bank,**  
Pine Bluff, Arkansas.

January 16, 1914.

Mr. C. P. Perrie, Secretary,

Little Rock Clearing House Association,

Little Rock, Ark.

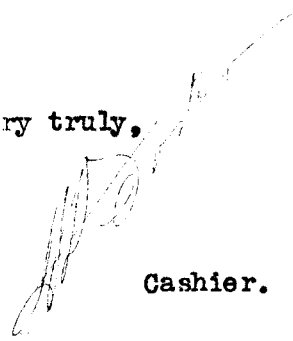
Dear Sir:

We thoroughly agree with your letter of the 13th inst., that St. Louis should be designated as a Federal Reserve City, and that Arkansas should be in that district.

Our Board meets next Tuesday morning and at its meeting we will adopt a suitable resolution so stating.

In order that we will be very sure that this resolution reaches St. Louis in time, we will send it to our St. Louis correspondent and ask them to hand it to you.

Yours very truly,



Cashier.

S. C. ALEXANDER,      W. L. DEWOODY,      A. D. FOSTER,  
PRESIDENT              VICE PRES.              CASHIER

**The Merchants & Planters Bank,**  
Pine Bluff, Arkansas.

JAN 20 1914

At a regular meeting of the Board of Directors at which a quorum was present, the following Resolution was unanimously adopted:

BE IT RESOLVED, That, in our opinion, there is not the slightest doubt as to the wisdom of designating St. Louis, Mo., as a Federal Reserve City, and that the state of Arkansas should be in the Federal Reserve District of the St. Louis Federal Reserve Bank.

We believe this to be a wise course for the reason that, for years the flow of commerce from this section has been to and from St. Louis, and we believe that all Reserve Banks should be located with that point in view. We believe it unwise to attempt to divert a business course that has been flowing in one direction, and satisfactorily, for years.

THE MERCHANTS & PLANTERS BANK,

By *S. C. Alexander* President.

Attest:

*A. D. Foster* Secretary.

## THE RANDOLPH COUNTY BANK

E. DALTON, PRESIDENT  
A. Z. SCHNABAUM, Vice-PRESY.  
J. D. WELLS, CASHIER  
L. R. MARTIN, ASST. CASHIER

CAPITAL \$ 26,000.00  
SURPLUS \$ 23,500.00

POCAHONTAS, ARK.

Jan 16 1914

Little Rock Clearing House,

Little Rock Ark.

Gentlemen, -

We are just in receipt of a letter advising us that you have passed a resolution asking that St. Louis be made a Federal Reserve City and that Ark. be placed in that district. We are very much please at such action and trust that it will be so arraigned for to place us any where else would be a great disadvantage. We are very anxious that we go with the St. Louis ditrict.

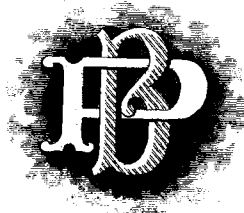
Yours very turly,



Cashier.

J. C. BAIN, PRESIDENT.  
E. J. CAMAK, VICE-PRES.

J. W. BROWN, CASHIER.  
D. DEAN, ASST. CASHIER.



# The Peoples Bank

CAPITAL STOCK \$25,000.00

Portland, Arkansas.

Jan, 16, 1914.

Mr. C. P. Perrie,  
Sec. Little Rock Clearing House Assc.,  
Little Rock, Ark.

Dear Sir :- We heartily agree that St. Louis, should be designated as a reserve City and that Ark. be in the same reserve district, please use our influence to secure same and oblige.

Yours very truly,

J. C. Bain Pres.,  
J. W. Brown Cashier,  
D. Dean Asst. Cashier.

**THE MERCHANTS NATIONAL BANK**

FORT SMITH, ARKANSAS.

OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT.

*Prairie Grove, Ark.,  
Jan. 16, '14.*

The Reserve Bank Organization Committee

at Saint Louis, Mo.

Gentlemen:

It is our earnest desire that the  
Regional Reserve Bank for this district  
be located at Saint Louis, Mo.

Respectfully,

*The Citizens Bank,  
W. H. Mock, Pres.,  
A. W. Brown, Cashier*



**THE MERCHANTS NATIONAL BANK**

FORT SMITH, ARKANSAS.

OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT.

*Prairie Grove Ark*  
*Jan 16-1914*

**The Reserve Bank Organization Committee  
at Saint Louis, Mo.**

**Gentlemen:**

It is our earnest desire that the  
Regional Reserve Bank for this district  
be located at Saint Louis, Mo.

Respectfully,

*First Natl Bank of Prairie Grove  
by Oliver Phillips  
CASHIER* Ark

THOS. C. McRAE, PREST.  
JAMES G. CLARK, VICE PREST.  
W. V. TOMPKINS, SECRETARY.

THOS. C. McRAE, JR., CASHIER.  
T. R. WRIGHT, ASST. CASH.  
IRVIN A. BLAKELY, ASST. CASH.

# BANK OF PRESCOTT

PRESCOTT, ARK.

CAPITAL & SURPLUS \$ 150,000.00

January 16, 1914.

Mechanics-American Nat'l. Bank,  
St. Louis, Missouri.

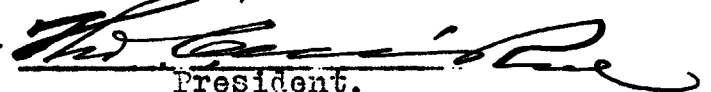
Gentlemen:

We heartily join in asking that one of the banks authorized by the New Federal Reserve Act be located in St. Louis, and we earnestly desire that the State of Arkansas be placed in the district to be served by St. Louis.

Yours truly,

BANK OF PRESCOTT,

By

  
President.

THOS. C. McRAE, PRES.  
JAMES G. CLARK, VICE PRES.  
W. OMPKINS, SECRETARY.

THOS. C. McRAE, JR. CASHIER.  
T. R. WRI... ASST. CASH.  
IRVIN A. BLAKELY, ASST. CASH.

# BANK OF PRESCOTT

PRESCOTT, ARK.

CAPITAL & SURPLUS \$ 150,000.00

January 16, 1914.

Mr. C. P. Perrie, Sec.,

Little Rock, Ark.


Dear Sir:

This bank is of the opinion that St. Louis should be one of the Federal Reserve Cities under Reserve Act and that the State of Arkansas ought to be in the District to be served by St. Louis, and you are authorized to so state to the Organization Committee.

Yours truly,

Bank of Prescott,

By

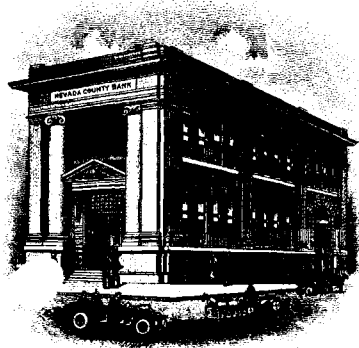
  
President.

TCM-OW

*W. B. Waller, President.*

*O. B. Gordon, Vice President.*

*Geo. F. Cress, Cashier.*



# *Nevada County Bank*

*Prescott, Ark.* Jan 14 1914

Natl. Bank of Commerce

St Louis Mo.

Gentlemen,- We would be glad if St Louis would get a Federal Reserve Bank and we would be in your district.

Yours very truly

Nevada Co. Bank

by *Geo. F. Cress*  
cashier

M.W. RONK, PRESIDENT.

J.A. RIGGS, VICE PRESIDENT

W.D. STROUD, CASHIER.

# Bank of Ratcliff

CAPITAL \$ 25,000.00

*Ratcliff, Ark.* Jan. 16, 1914.

Little Rock Clearing House, Assn.,  
Little Rock, Ark.,

Gentlemen:-

In making your petition to the Tres. Dept., please allow us to go on record as favoring a Reserve Center at St. Louis.

No point more convenient to Arkansas Points, especially in Western and Central Arkansas, could conform more closely to the needs and demands of this section of the country than could St. Louis, Mo.

Yours truly,

BANK OF RATCLIFF, ARK.

*per W D Stroud*

*Cashier*

J. C. ROGERS, PRESIDENT.

ELI MEISER, VICE-PRESIDENT.

J. H. WILLIS, CASHIER.

# The Bank of Rector

CAPITAL AND SURPLUS \$50,000.00

**Rector, Arkansas.**

1/16/14.

Mechanics-American National Bank,

St. Louis, Mo.

Gentlemen:-

We think it is of vital importance that Arkansas should be in the Federal Reserve District of the St. Louis Federal Reserve Bank, and hope that every banker and business man of St. Louis will leave nothing undone in urging the Reserve Bank Organization Committee to such action.

Yours truly,



President

J. C. ROGERS, PRESIDENT.

ELI MEISER, VICE-PRESIDENT.

J. H. WILLIS, CASHIER.

# The Bank of Rector

CAPITAL AND SURPLUS \$50,000.00

Rector, Arkansas.

1/16/14.

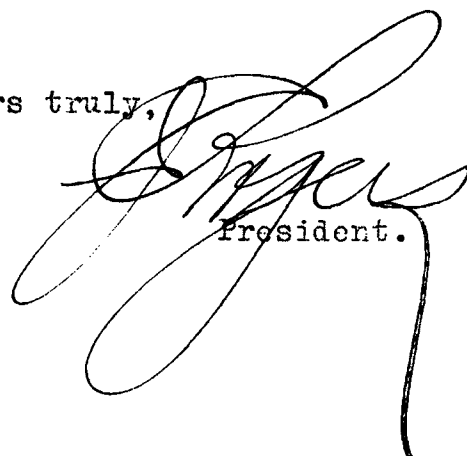
Mr. C. P. Perrie, Secretary,  
Little Rock, Ark.

Dear Sir:-

We are certainly glad to know that your association are going to send representatives to St. Louis for the purpose of appearing before the Reserve Bank Organization Committee with the view to have Arkansas included in the Federal Reserve District of the St. Louis Federal Reserve Bank.

We think it is of vital importance that Arkansas should be in this District. St. Louis bankers are very familiar with the condition and requirements of almost all Arkansas Banks.

Yours truly,



President.

W. H. SIMMONS, Pres.  
A. W. GILLS, Vice Pres.  
W. F. HARKEY, Cashier

Dr. M. DONALDSON  
FRANK WELDIN  
J. A. TAYLOR  
R. J. YANCEY  
GUS NEIGHBOR  
A. W. GILLS  
W. H. SIMMONS

# CITIZENS BANK

CAPITAL \$30,000.00 AUTHORIZED.

Rector, Arkansas, 1/19/14.

Mr. E. P. Perrie.

Sect'y. L.R. Clearing House Assn.

Little Rock, Ark.

Dear Sir:-

Replying to yours of the 13th Inst. will say that it is of the greatest importance that St. Louis be designated as Federal Reserve City for Arkansas, and we will lend any assistance within our power to attain this end.

Wishing the Committee due success, we are,

Yours very truly,

  
Cashier.



W.E. TALLEY, PREST.

W.R. FELKER, Vice PREST.

LEE GRAHAM, CASHIER.

J.D. HALL, ASST. CASHIER.



ESTABLISHED 1863

# Bank of Rogers

*Capital Stock \$150,000.00 Fully Paid*

*Rogers, Ark.*

January Sixteenth  
1 9 1 4

*Oldest Bank in Northern Arkansas*

Secretary, L.R. Clearing House Ass'n.,  
Little Rock, Arkansas.

Dear Sir:-

I have your favor of the 13th with regard to using our good offices to have Saint Louis made one of the Federal Reserve Cities. I am heartily insupport of it and I have so registered out my request. It goes without argument that Saint Louis ought to be one of our Reserve Cities from the very fact Arkansas Banks are largely dependant on Saint Louis as their financial center.

Thanking you for your interest in the matter,

I am,

Yours truly,

*W. E. Talley*  
President.

**THE MERCHANTS NATIONAL BANK**  
FORT SMITH, ARKANSAS.  
OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT.

*Rogers AM*  

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*Jan 16 1914*

The Reserve Bank Organization Committee  
at Saint Louis, Mo.

Gentlemen:

It is our earnest desire that the  
Regional Reserve Bank for this district  
be located at Saint Louis, Mo.

Respectfully,

*W E Jally*  
*President*  
*Bank of Rogers*

# LITTLE ROCK CLEARING HOUSE ASSOCIATION

J. S. POLLOCK,  
MANAGER.

LITTLE ROCK, ARK.

January 13, 1914.

Citizens Bank,  
Rogers, Ark.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Little Rock Clearing House Association, held on January 12th, 1914, the unanimous opinion was, that St. Louis should be designated as a Federal Reserve City and that it was of vital importance that Arkansas should be in the Federal Reserve District of the St. Louis Federal Reserve Bank.

Seven representatives of the clearing House, the Secretary of the Board of Trade and Secretary of the Chamber of Commerce were constituted a committee to appear before the "Reserve Bank Organization Committee" in St. Louis on January 22nd. and 23rd, and urge such action.

Any Arkansas Banker who would lend his aid would be a welcome addition to the Clearing House Committee on the trip to St. Louis, and it would certainly add strength if your institution would prepare a resolution or letter advocating the Organization Committee reaching a decision as above outlined.

Please send us this communication as soon as possible using the enclosed stamped envelope addressed to the writer.

Thanking you in advance, I am,

Yours very truly,

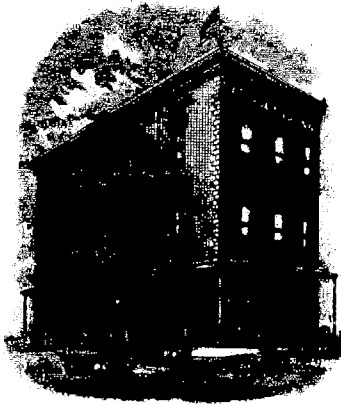


Secretary L. R. Clearing  
House Association.

We have just recently sent in such a request to our correspondant in St. Louis.



ASS'T CASHIER



J.W. WALKER, PRESIDENT.  
J.W. KIMMONS, VICE-PRESIDENT.

CALVIN WALKER, CASHIER.  
J. EVERETTE STROUD, ASST. CASHIER.

# CITIZENS BANK OF ROGERS

CAPITAL \$ 50,000.00

TRANSACTS A GENERAL BANKING BUSINESS

ESTABLISHED 1888

ROGERS, ARKANSAS

Jan. 15th, 1914.

Mercantile Trust Co.,  
St. Louis, Mo.

Gentlemen:

We are in receipt of the St. Louis Clearing House Associations letter of the 13th and wish to advise that we feel that it would be very much to our interest to be placed in the St. Louis District. We are quite sure that if we are placed in any other District that it would be quite a disadvantage to us and besides we have been accustomed to drawing on St. Louis for our needs and we will be very much disappointed if we have to go elsewhere. There is no question in our minds but what this section of Arkansas can be best served from your city.

We remain,

Yours truly,

*Geo. A. Jennings*  
VICE PRES.

GMJ/CS

J. L. CHAPIN, PRESIDENT

G. M. SNODGRASS, VICE PRESIDENT

PERRY CLARK, CASHIER

# *Farmers State Bank*

CAPITAL \$25,000.00

*Rogers, Arkansas,  
July 17-1914*

The Reserve Bank Organization Committee  
at Saint Louis, Mo.

Gentlemen;

It is our earnest desire that the Regional  
Reserve Bank for this district be located at Saint  
Louis, Mo.

Respectfully,

*Farmers State Bank  
By Perry Clark  
Cash*

J. L. CHAPIN, PRESIDENT

G. M. SNODGRASS, VICE PRESIDENT

PERRY N. CLARK, CASHIER

# *Farmers State Bank*

CAPITAL \$25,000.00

*Rogers, Arkansas,*

1/17/14

The Reserve Bank Organization Committee  
at Saint Louis, Mo.

Gentlemen;

It is our earnest desire that the  
Regional Reserve Bank for this district be located  
at Saint Louis, Mo.

Respectfully,

*Farmers State Bank  
Perry N. Clark  
Cas*

**THE MERCHANTS NATIONAL BANK**

FORT SMITH, ARKANSAS.  
OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT.

THE FIRST NATIONAL BANK,  
ROGERS, ARKANSAS.

The Reserve Bank Organization Committee  
at Saint Louis, Mo.

Gentlemen:

It is our earnest desire that the  
Regional Reserve Bank for this district  
be located at Saint Louis, Mo.

Respectfully,

*W. H. Cowan*  
*Cashier*

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# First National Bank

GEO. D. PARKS, PRESIDENT  
F. Z. MEEKS, VICE PRESIDENT

W. H. COWAN, CASHIER  
E. F. JACKSON, ASST. CASHIER

Rogers, Ark.

January 17, 1914.

Mr. C. P. Perrie, Sec'y  
Little Rock Clearing House Ass'n,  
Little Rock, Arkansas.

Dear Sir:-

Referring to your letter in regard to the location of a Federal Reserve Bank in St. Louis, we should not think that it would require any argument to prove that it is the unanimous desire of the whole state of Arkansas that we be included within the St. Louis District and that St. Louis be designated as a Federal Reserve City. Certainly this section of the state would be very much discommoded if any other arrangement should be made.

Not enough of our officers and directors are present to take any formal action in the matter, but I can assure you that nothing else than the selection of St. Louis would suit us up here.

Our Vice President, Mr. Geo. P. Jackson, and our Assistant Cashier, Mr. E. F. Jackson, will be in St. Louis nearly all next week, and they will be glad to lend any assistance to your representatives that they may be able to give.

Yours truly,



Cashier.



**THE MERCHANTS NATIONAL BANK**

FORT SMITH, ARKANSAS.

OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT.

Russellville, Ark.

Jany. 16th. 1914.

The Reserve Bank Organization Committee

at Saint Louis, Mo.

Gentlemen:

It is our earnest desire that the  
Regional Reserve Bank for this district  
be located at Saint Louis, Mo.

Respectfully,

Peoples Exchange Bank,

By

*L. B. Melvin*

Cashier.



R. J. WILSON, PRESIDENT.  
W. J. WHITE, VICE-PRES.

L. B. MCCLURE, CASHIER.  
J. N. A. BAYLISS, ASST. CASH.

**PEOPLES EXCHANGE BANK,**  
**RUSSELLVILLE, ARK.**

Jany. 14th. 1914.

Mr. J. A. Lewis, Cashier,  
The National Bank of Commerce,  
St. Louis, Mo.

Dear Sir:-

We are in receipt of the St. Louis Clearing House Association's letter addressed to the correspondents of the St. Louis Banks.

We are heartily in accord with the views expressed in this letter, and the states named should in our opinion be embraced in the district, with the Reserve Bank in your city.

St. Louis is naturally the commercial and financial center for this district, and the resources of the territory proposed in the district are diversified, and I feel sure that the interests of the entire district could best be served if constituted as you suggest.

It occurs to me that we would be very much hampered if the organization committee should see fit to put us off into a district to ourselves down here in the southwest where our interests are largely agricultural, and where everybody wants money at the same season of the year.

We very much desire to be in the St. Louis district.

Yours very truly,

Cashier.



R. J. WILSON, PRESIDENT.  
W. J. WHITE, VICE-PRES.

L. B. McCLURE, CASHIER.  
J. N. A. BAYLISS, ASST. CASH.

**PEOPLES EXCHANGE BANK,**  
**RUSSELLVILLE, ARK.**

Jany. 16<sup>th</sup>. 1914.

Mr. C. P. Perrie, Secretary,  
Little Rock, Ark.

Dear Sir:-

Replying to your communication of the 13th. inst. relative to the designation of St. Louis as a Federal Reserve City, and that Arkansas be included in that district, have to say, that our views on the matter are entirely in accord with the Little Rock Clearing House Association, and we have already indicated our desire to the Organization Committee through our St. Louis Correspondent.

However, we are enclosing a copy of our request which you may use if you desire.

Yours very truly,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "L. B. McClure".

Cashier.



R. J. WILSON, PRESIDENT.  
W. J. WHITE, VICE-PRES.

L. B. MCCLURE, CASHIER.  
J. N. A. BAYLISS, ASST. CASH.

**PEOPLES EXCHANGE BANK,**  
**RUSSELLVILLE, ARK.**

January 16th. 1914.

The Reserve Bank Organization Committee

At St. Louis, Mo.

Gentlemen:-

We very earnestly desire that a  
Regional Reserve Bank be located at St. Louis, Mo.  
and that Arkansas be included in this district.

Very respectfully,

A large, flowing handwritten signature in black ink, which appears to read "L. B. McClure".

Cashier.

**THE MERCHANTS NATIONAL BANK**  
FORT SMITH, ARKANSAS.  
OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT.

St. Paul, Arkansas.

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Jan. 17, 1914.

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The Reserve Bank Organization Committee  
at Saint Louis, Mo.

Gentlemen:

It is our earnest desire that the  
Regional Reserve Bank for this district  
be located at Saint Louis, Mo.

Respectfully,

The Bank of St. Paul,

By.....  
  
Cashier.

# **BANK OF SCRANTON**

**CAPITAL STOCK, \$25,000**



**GEO. HEIM, PRESIDENT**  
**JOHN E. NICHOLS, VICE-PRESIDENT**  
**C. E. HAYS, CASHIER**

SCRANTON, ARK. Jan. 17th, 1914

The Reserve Bank Organization Committee,  
At St. Louis Mo.

Gentlemen:-

It is our desire that the Regional  
Reserve Bank for this district be located at  
St. Louis Mo.

Respectfully,

BANK OF SCRANTON.

BY C. E. Hays  
Cashier

**THE MERCHANTS NATIONAL BANK**

FORT SMITH, ARKANSAS.

OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT.

Scranton Arkansas

Jan. 17th, 1914

The Reserve Bank Organization Committee  
at Saint Louis, Mo.

Gentlemen:

It is our earnest desire that the  
Regional Reserve Bank for this district  
be located at Saint Louis, Mo.

Respectfully,

BANK OF SCRANTON  
BY *L. E. Hays*  
Cashier

## THE PEOPLES BANK

SEARCY, ARKANSAS

E. A. ROBBINS, PRES'T  
P. A. ROBERTSON, VICE PRES'T

J. H. DEENER, CASHIER.  
A. H. ROYSTON, JR., ASS'T CASH.

CAPITAL AND SURPLUS \$ 87,500 00

January 16th, 1914.

J. A. Lewis, cashier,  
National Bank of Commerce,  
St. Louis, Mo.

Dear Sir:

With reference to the circular letter, issued by the St. Louis Clearing House Ass'n., under date of January 13th.

We have to say that it has always been our preference to do business with St. Louis, and we want to continue to do so. It is the logical point for this section of the country. So far as we can see now, we shall continue our business just as we have done in the past until the question of the Reserve Bank is fully settled.

We trust that nothing will come up that would interfere with our continuing our very pleasant relations with the National Bank of Commerce.

Yours very truly,

*J. H. Deener*  
CASHIER.

JHD/H



**THE PEOPLES BANK**  
SEARCY, ARKANSAS

E. A. ROBBINS, PRES'T                      J. H. DEENER, CASHIER.  
P. A. ROBERTSON, VICE PRES'T          A. H. ROYSTON, JR., ASS'T CASH.  
CAPITAL AND SURPLUS \$ 87,500 00

Jan. 17th, 1914.

Mr. C. P. Perrie, Sec'y.,  
Little Rock Clearing House Ass'n.,  
Little Rock, Ark.

Dear Sir:

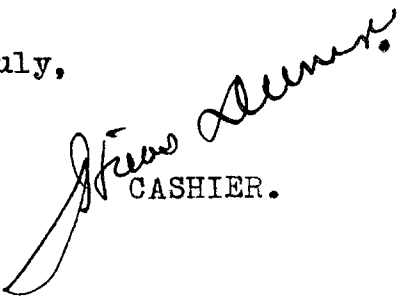
Replying to your circular letter  
of the 13th.

We will be only too glad to add  
our assistance in securing the location of  
Reserve Bank in St. Louis.

If you will advise us just how you  
would like for this letter to read, we will  
have our board to adpot it, and send you  
the copy.

Yours very truly,

JHD/H

  
CASHIER.

**THE MERCHANTS NATIONAL BANK**

FORT SMITH, ARKANSAS.

OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT.

**SILOAM SPRINGS, ARK.**

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The Reserve Bank Organization Committee  
at Saint Louis, Mo.

Gentlemen:

It is our earnest desire that the  
Regional Reserve Bank for this district  
be located at Saint Louis, Mo.

Respectfully,

**BANK OF COMMERCE**

*W. P. St. John, Pres.*

**THE MERCHANTS NATIONAL BANK**  
FORT SMITH, ARKANSAS.  
OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT.

Springdale, Ark.

Jan. 16, 1914.

The Reserve Bank Organization Committee  
at Saint Louis, Mo.

Gentlemen:

It is our earnest desire that the  
Regional Reserve Bank for this district  
be located at Saint Louis, Mo.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "J. Weaver Cushin". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned below the typed name "Respectfully,".

# Farmers & Merchants Bank

CAPITAL, \$23,000.00  
SURPLUS, \$100,000.00

ART T. LEWIS, PRESIDENT  
A. SANDERS, VICE PRESIDENT  
LEE SANDERS, CASHIER

Springdale, Ark., Jan, 16th, 1914.

Mr. C. P. Perrie, Sec.,

Little Rock, Ark.

Dear Sir:-

We are in receipt of your letter of the 13th, and in answer will say that we have already expressed our desire to have the Regional Reserve Bank, for this district, located in Saint Louis, Mo. and our letter is in the hands of The Merchants National Bank of Fort Smith, Ark.

Very truly yours,

*Lee Sanders,*  
Cash.

# Farmers & Merchants Bank

CAPITAL, \$25,000.00  
SURPLUS, \$100,000.00

ART T. LEWIS, PRESIDENT  
A. SANDERS, VICE PRESIDENT  
LEE SANDERS, CASHIER

Springdale, Ark., Jan, 16th, 1914.

The Reserve Bank Organization Committee,

At Saint Louis, Mo.

Gentlemen:-

It is our earnest desire that the Regional Reserve Bank for  
this district be located at Saint Louis, Mo.

Very truly,

*Lee Sanders*  
*Cash.*

CAPITAL \$ 100,000.00



J. W. UNDERWOOD, PRESIDENT.  
F. E. BRAIN, VICE-PRESIDENT.

RAY UNDERWOOD, CASHIER.  
S. G. BRAIN, ASST. CASHIER.

Jan. 16-18.

The Reserve Bank Organization Committee  
at St. Louis, Mo.

Gentlemen:

It is our earnest desire that the  
Regional Reserve Bank for this district be  
located at St. Louis, Mo.

Respectfully,

President.



CAPITAL AND SURPLUS  
\$ 250,000.00

# State National Bank

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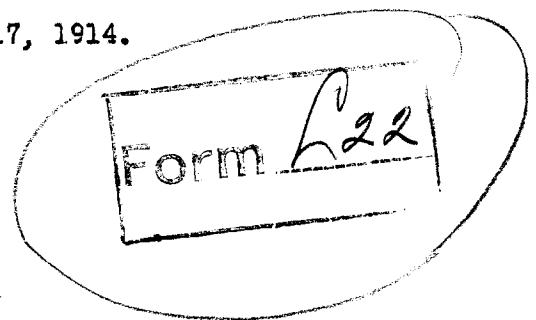
E. A. FROST, PRESIDENT  
B. H. KUHL, VICE PRESIDENT

E. W. FROST,  
CHAIRMAN OF BOARD

STUART WILSON, CASHIER  
EDW. KUHL, ASST. CASHIER

## Texarkana, Arkansas

February 17, 1914.



The Reserve Bank Organization Committee,  
Washington, D. C.

Gentlemen:-

We respectfully urge that Texarkana, Arkansas-Texas, be included in the Saint Louis Reserve Bank District, and give the following as some of our reasons.

The general trend of our trade and commerce is toward Saint Louis, this city being the natural market for our wholesale and retail merchants and the natural reserve center for all of our banks. It is our opinion that over fifty per cent of the reserves of the Texarkana banks is carried in Saint Louis and that more would be carried there if the present national banking law did not divert large reserves to other cities.

The Saint Louis, Iron Mountain and Southern Railway Company, a division of the Missouri Pacific lines, operates through trains from Saint Louis to El Paso, Texas. The Iron Mountain Railroad runs diagonally through Arkansas from the north-east corner to the south-west corner, and practically every railroad in Arkansas either crosses or connects with this railroad in the state or at some point very close to its boundary.

Texarkana is located in the south-west corner of Arkansas and in the north-east part of Texas, the state line of Arkansas and Texas running directly through the center of the city. Our mails leaving Texarkana at 3:50 P. M. reach Saint Louis at 7:15 A. M. the following morning, giving us excellent mail service with Saint Louis. In addition to this there are numbers of other trains operated over this line. We can telegraph Saint Louis for shipments of silver or currency and receive the same within

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less than twenty-four hours.

Some of the cities in Louisiana and Texas are using their efforts to have Texarkana placed in the federal reserve bank which they are attempting to secure. We hope this will not be done, for in our opinion it will not be in line with the intent of the Federal Reserve Act or in harmony with the natural trend of trade.

There are two state banks in Texarkana, Arkansas, with a capital and surplus of about \$225,000.00 each. Also, there is a large number of state banks in Arkansas that will be eligible for membership in the federal reserve bank in their district. To attempt to throw these banks in a district to the south or southwest of Arkansas will, in our opinion, tend to discourage the banks from membership in the federal reserve bank. It is our understanding that a great many of the banks intend coming in to the system provided Arkansas is placed in the Saint Louis district.

The Federal Reserve Act contemplates the federal reserve banks acting as clearing houses for member banks. As a large majority of our customers' checks are sent to Saint Louis, these checks could be more readily handled and more quickly cleared from Saint Louis than from any other point.

We believe that each federal reserve bank should represent largely diversified agricultural and commercial interests and that Texarkana and Arkansas could be best served through Saint Louis on this account.

We further respectfully urge that you do not at present establish more than eight federal reserve banks. After the law has been in operation for a few years more banks can be readily established provided it is shown that they are needed, but it will be much more difficult to liquidate a bank once it has been established.

ANSWERED  
FEB 19 1914  
FORM 22 *mm*

Very respectfully,

*B. H. Kuhl*  
Vice President.

*Shirley Nielson*  
Cashier.

SW-T.



J. W. LINDLEY, PRESIDENT      L. T. SLAYDEN V, PRESIDENT  
E. V. HOLT, CASHIER.

# BANK OF TUCKERMAN

CAPITAL STOCK \$50,000  
TUCKERMAN, ARKANSAS.

Jan 14th 1914.

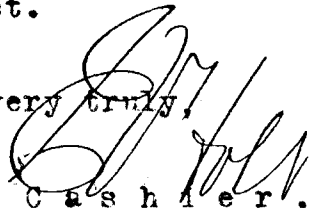
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Mechanics--American National Bank,  
St Louis, Mo.

Gentlemen:--

It is our hope and desire that St Louis may  
be designated as a center of a reserve district under  
the new Federal Reserve Act, and it is our desire  
to be in the St Louis District.

Yours very truly,

  
Cashier.

J. W. LINDLEY, PRESIDENT

L. T. SLAYDEN V. PRESIDENT

E. V. HOLT, CASHIER.

# BANK OF TUCKERMAN

CAPITAL STOCK \$50,000

TUCKERMAN, ARKANSAS.

January 14th 1914.

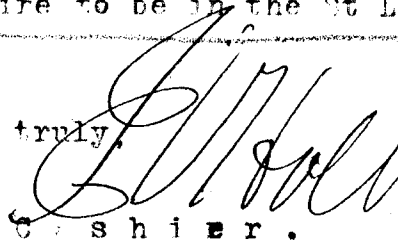
National Bank of Commerce,

St Louis, Mo.

Gentlemen:-

It is our hope that St Louis may be designated  
as a center of a reserve district under the new Federal  
Reserve Act, and it is our desire to be in the St Louis  
District.

Yours very truly,



C a s h i e r .

L. A. RITTER, PRESIDENT

O. C. HOWSER, VICE-PRESIDENT

H. C. OVERTURF, CASHIER

# BANK OF TYRONZA

DIRECTORS

J. A. EMRICH

~~W. W. WOOD~~

L. A. RITTER

O. C. HOWSER

H. C. OVERTURF

INCORPORATED

CAPITAL \$25,000.00

TYRONZA, ARK. January 20th, 1914.

The Third National Bank,

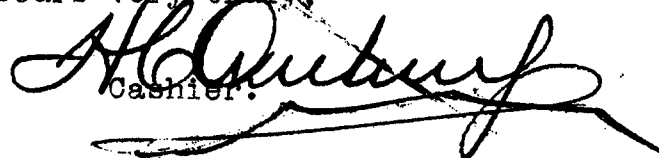
St. Louis, Mo.

In Re, Reserve Bank.

Gentlemen:-

With reference to the establishing of reserve Banks over the country and after a careful study of the different places which has been mentioned we are of the opinion that St. Louis, Mo. would be the most satisfactory place as the bulk of exchange tends to flow Northward from this section.

Yours very truly,

  
Cashier.

**THE MERCHANTS NATIONAL BANK**

FORT SMITH, ARKANSAS.  
OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT.

*Van Buren Ark.*  

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*Jan'y 16<sup>th</sup> 1914*  

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The Reserve Bank Organization Committee  
at Saint Louis, Mo.

Gentlemen:

It is our earnest desire that the  
Regional Reserve Bank for this district  
be located at Saint Louis, Mo.

Respectfully,

*Citizens Bank*  
*Geo R. Wood*  
*Cash*

JESSE TURNER, Pres't.  
D. W. MOORE, Vice Pres't.  
S. A. PERNOT, Cash'r.



CRAWFORD COUNTY BANK BUILDING.

# Crawford County Bank

PAID UP CAPITAL, \$75,000.

*Van Buren, Ark.* Jan. 16th. 1914

The Reserve Bank Organization Committee  
at St. Louis, Mo.

Gentlemen:

It is our earnest desire that the Regional Reserve Bank for this District be located at St. Louis, Mo.

Respectfully

Crawford County Bank

By *S. A. Pernot*  
Cashier.

CHAS. A. PAPE, PRESIDENT  
JOHN KOHNE, VICE-PRES.  
DAVID T. BRYAN, SECY & TREAS.  
E. M. BACHARACH, TELLER  
SAM DENT BELL, COUNSEL



CAPITAL  
\$ 50,000.00

# VAN BUREN TRUST COMPANY

ESTABLISHED 1911

## VAN BUREN, ARK.

Jan. 17th, 1914.

Mechanics-American National Bank,  
St. Louis, Mo.,

Gentlemen:

We have observed, with considerable interest, the steps to be taken with reference to the location of the Federal Reserve Banks.

It does seem to us that it would be a grave mistake to locate the one for this Section outside of St. Louis. Your City is the jobbing and financial head quarters for this part of Arkansas, we know. The writer is interested in several of the banks of Crawford County outside of Van Buren and I know that each one of them has a St. Louis account. Of the eight banks in this County, outside of Van Buren, I do not believe there is a one that has an account in any other of the reserve Cities outside of Arkansas, except St. Louis and New York. Practically all of the drygoods business in this Section is handled through St. Louis and, of course, the checks go where the goods are bought.

We certainly hope that St. Louis may receive one of the reserve banks.

Yours truly,

*David T. Bryan*  
Secretary.

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**THE MERCHANTS NATIONAL BANK**

FORT SMITH, ARKANSAS.  
OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT.

Waldron, Ark.

Jan. 17th, 1914

The Reserve Bank Organization Committee  
at Saint Louis, Mo.

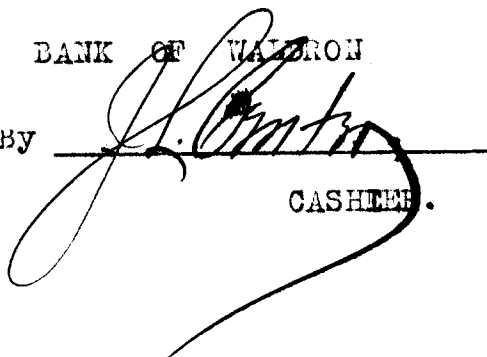
Gentlemen:

It is our earnest desire that the  
Regional Reserve Bank for this district  
be located at Saint Louis, Mo.

Respectfully,

BANK OF WALDRON

BY

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CASHIER.

**THE MERCHANTS NATIONAL BANK**

FORT SMITH, ARKANSAS.

OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT.

Waldron, Ark.

January 16th. 1914

The Reserve Bank Organization Committee  
at Saint Louis, Mo.

Gentlemen:

It is our earnest desire that the  
Regional Reserve Bank for this district  
be located at Saint Louis, Mo.

Respectfully,

First National Bank,

By McMalone  
Cashier,





# First National Bank

ONLY NATIONAL BANK IN LAWRENCE COUNTY.

OFFICERS:

T. J. SHARUM, PRESIDENT.  
W. G. McCLAMROCH, VICE PRESIDENT.  
C. W. WHITE, CASHIER.  
DOLPH. SLOAN, ASST. CASHIER.

WALNUT RIDGE, ARK. *Jan 1st<sup>TH</sup> 1914*

*First National Bank  
St Louis Mo  
Members:-*

*We note from the newspapers that the Organization Committee were visit St Louis 21<sup>st</sup> ult, and we desire to express ourselves as being heartily in favor of the location of one of the Regional banks in St Louis.*

*We are only twenty miles from Memphis, but thirty three % of our business is with St Louis, which is to St Louis that we look for all accommodations.*

*Hoping the Committee may favorably consider the claims of St Louis I am*

*Very truly yours  
C. W. White*

# Merchants & Planters Trust & Savings Bank

H.L. TURNER, PRESIDENT  
J.M. BAILEY, 1<sup>ST</sup> VICE PRES.      CARL HOLLIS, CASHIER.  
FRED L. PURCELL, 2<sup>ND</sup> VICE PRES.      W.H. McLEOD, ASST. CASHIER.

WARREN, ARK.      Jany. 15th. 1914.

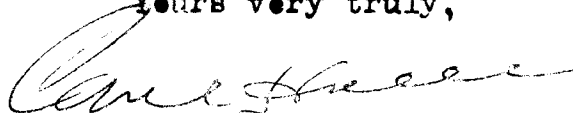
Mechanics-American National Bank,  
St. Louis.

Gentlemen:-

Replying to your letter from Associated Banks, St. Louis regarding Federal Reserve Banks, I have to say that so far as this section of Arkansas is concerned, your city does fully nine tenths the commercial business for us. We have always made you the center- you are not only the logical but the natural center and should any other center be suggested, it would mean the readjustment of the whole commercial world for us- especially.

I certainly trust those in authority will make St. Louis the center for Arkansas, and we shall feel that our relations will not be changed at all, but that we shall be served better than we possibly could be by any other center.

Yours very truly,



Cashier.

# Merchants & Planters Trust & Savings Bank

H.L. TURNER, PRESIDENT  
J.M. BAILEY, 1ST VICE PRES.      CARL HOLLIS, CASHIER.  
FRED L. PURCELL, 2ND VICE PRES.      W.H. McLEOD, ASST. CASHIER.

WARREN, ARK.      Jany. 15th. 1914.

National Bank of Commerce.,

St. Louis.

Gentlemen:-

I have your circular letter from St. Louis Clearing House Association and have to say that St. Louis is the reserve center already for this whole country and should those in authority continue this plan, then it will be very easy to make the change in our currency plan- to take up the new federal law and we know you already and you know us and our condition. St. Louis has always been the center for Arkansas and any change would be very disastrous- for in making any changes, it takes time to get adjusted to new conditions .

I hope St. Louis will be made the reserve center for this state and we feel that no other plan will be satisfactory for our people here.

Yours very truly,



Cashier.

W. R. JONES, PRESIDENT  
J. L. MCCARTY, VICE-PRESIDENT

J. F. CARSON, SECRETARY

T. L. BOND CASHIER  
T. V. RUSSELL ASST. CASHIER

STATE BANK ORGANIZED 1902  
**MINERS AND CITIZENS BANK**  
CAPITAL STOCK \$25,000

YELLVILLE, ARK.,

Jan. 20" 1914


MECHANICS-AMERICAN NATIONAL BANK,

St. Louis Mo.

Gentlemen:-

We would like to be placed in the St. Louis District of the Federal Reserve Banks, and hope that one will be placed in that city, and we will be designated as a part of the territory that it includes.

Yours truly,

  
Secretary.