

FEDERAL RESERVE BANK
OF NEW YORK

[Circular No. 909]
April 22, 1929.]

New Counterfeits

**To all Banks, Trust Companies and Others Concerned
in the Second Federal Reserve District:**

The Treasury Department in its circular letter No. 624 describes two new counterfeits as follows:

\$20 FEDERAL RESERVE NOTE: On the Federal Reserve Bank of New York, New York; 1914 series; check letter "C"; face plate No. 316; back plate No. 1003; Frank White, Treasurer of the United States; A. W. Mellon, Secretary of the Treasury; portrait of Cleveland.

This is a photo-mechanical production printed on two sheets of paper between which coarse threads have been distributed in imitation of the genuine silk fibre. The numbering is printed in Gothic type face unlike the style used in the genuine and the letters "B" enclosing the serial numbers are executed out of line. The seal is lightly impressed on the note and printed in reverse, the text of the circular legend appearing backward. Specimen at hand bears serial No. B73221704B.

This counterfeit will deceive the unwary handler of currency.

\$20 GOLD CERTIFICATE: Series of 1922; check letter indistinct, probably "F"; face and back plate numbers missing; H. V. Speelman, Register of the Treasury; Frank White, Treasurer of the United States; portrait of Washington.

This is an extremely crude note printed from photo-mechanical plates on bleached genuine paper. The imperfections in the etching of this counterfeit are so marked that further description is unnecessary. The seal and numbering are printed in pale yellow and are barely visible, while the back is executed in a smudgy orange tone. Specimen at hand bears serial No. K69314490.

GEORGE L. HARRISON,
Governor.