

FEDERAL RESERVE BOARD

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STATEMENT FOR THE PRESS

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CONDITION OF ACCEPTANCE MARKET
January 21, 1926 to February 17, 1926.

Acceptances.

The acceptance market was unusually quiet during the period from January 21 to February 17, reports from dealers in New York, Boston, and Chicago showing the smallest volume of transactions since last summer. The supply of bills was generally larger than the demand for them and dealers' portfolios increased to the highest point in over a year. Coffee, silk, and cotton bills were most in evidence and foreign funds provided the chief investment demand. Rates, which were unsettled during the last half of January, became stabilized around the end of the month with 90 day and longer bills offered at $1/8$ per cent less than immediately after the rise in rates on January 8th, but still $1/8$ per cent more than at the first of the year. On February 17 rates in the New York market were as follows:

$3 \frac{3}{4}$ per cent bid and $3 \frac{5}{8}$ offered for 60 and 90 day bills; $3 \frac{7}{8}$ per cent bid and $3 \frac{3}{4}$ offered for 120 day bills; 4 per cent bid and $3 \frac{7}{8}$ offered for 150 day bills; and $4 \frac{1}{8}$ per cent bid and 4 per cent offered for the longest maturities.