

STATEMENT FOR THE PRESS.

May 18, 1918

Liquidation on a large scale of discounted bills and U.S. Certificates of Indebtedness following the consumation of the Third Liberty Loan, accompanied by considerable net withdrawals of Government and member bank deposits, is indicated by the Federal Reserve Board's weekly statement issued as at close of business on May 17, 1918.

RESERVES: Total gold reserves show a gain of 11.3 millions. Substantial gains in gold reserves are reported by the Boston, Cleveland, Chicago and St. Louis banks, largely the result of shifting of credits in the Gold Settlement Fund in connection with Liberty Loan operations. A decrease of about 27 millions in the gold reserves of the New York bank is accompanied by a change from an adverse balance of 62.5 millions in account with other F.R. banks, shown the week before, to a favorable balance of 0.4 million, while a decrease of 24.3 millions in gold reserves reported by the Kansas City bank is accompanied by an increase of 17.7 millions in discounts on hand and a decrease of 7.8 millions in net deposits.

INVESTMENTS: A decrease of 96.8 millions is indicated in the total holdings of discounted bills, the Boston, New York and St. Louis banks reporting substantial liquidation of this class of paper during the week. Of the total discounts on hand--526.2 millions as against 612.3 the week before, are secured by Liberty bonds and U.S. Certificates of Indebtedness. Acceptances on hand decreased 6.2 millions, all the Southern and Western banks, except San Francisco, reporting smaller figures than the week before. The decrease of 33.7 millions shown for U.S. Government short-term securities is due to net liquidation of a corresponding amount of U.S. Certificates of Indebtedness. But little change is shown in other classes of investments. Total earning assets show a decrease of 136.1 millions for the week.

CAPITAL: Payment for Federal Reserve Bank stock by newly admitted members largely accounts for an aggregate increase of \$197,000 in paid-in capital, all the banks except those at Boston and St. Louis reporting increases in capital account.

DEPOSITS: Net withdrawals of 89.8 millions of Government deposits and of 87 millions of members' reserve deposits for the week are shown, all the banks except Kansas City reporting smaller bank deposits than the week before.

FEDERAL RESERVE NOTES: Net issues for the week of Federal Reserve notes amounted to 2.7 millions. F.R. notes in actual circulation are given as 1569.4 millions and for the first time since January 25 show a slight decline as compared with the total of the week before. The ratio of total cash reserves to aggregate net deposits and F.R. note liabilities shows an increase from 60.3 to 63.1 per cent.

CONDITION OF MEMBER BANKS MAY 10, 1918

Some indication of the character and volume of investment and loan operations of 693 member banks in about 100 leading cities in connection with the consumation of the Third Liberty Loan is afforded by the weekly statement showing condition of these banks as at close of business on May 10.

Total United States Securities on hand show a net decrease for the week of almost 50 millions, an increase of 309 millions in the aggregate holdings of U. S. bonds, other than circulation bonds, being more than offset by net liquidation of 361.1 millions of Certificates of Indebtedness. Loans supported by U.S. war securities show a rise for the week of 171.8 millions, while other loans and investments increased by 105.5 millions. For the 120 banks in the three central reserve cities corresponding changes involve a decrease of 47.4 millions in total U. S. securities, an increase of 172.2 millions in U. S. bonds other than circulation bonds, and a decrease of 219.6 millions in Certificates. Loans supported by Government war securities reported by these 120 banks show an increase of 119 millions and other loans and investments - an increase of 35.8 millions. Aggregate loans and investments of reporting banks show an increase of 227.5 millions, of which 107.3 millions represents the increase at the Central Reserve city banks. Of the total investments the share of Government securities

and loans supported by such securities is 20.5 per cent as against 20 per cent the week before.

Aggregate reserves of reporting banks show a gain of 60.6 millions and cash in vault a gain of 3.8 millions. For the banks in the central reserve cities corresponding gains of 49.5 and 3 millions are shown. Net demand deposits declined over 334 millions and time deposits 20.8 millions, while Government deposits show a gain of 221 millions, largely with banks outside the three Central Reserve cities. The latter report decreases of 202.4 millions in net demand deposits and of 12 millions in time deposits, as against a gain of 52.5 millions in Government deposits.

Owing to the gain in investments and the simultaneous decrease in deposits the ratio of investments to total deposits of all reporting banks went up from 110.1 to 113.4 per cent. For the Central Reserve city banks this ratio shows an even larger increase, from 106.2 to 111.1 per cent. The ratio of combined cash and reserve ^{to total deposits} likewise shows a gain from 13.6 to 14.4 per cent, and for the central reserve city banks from 14.8 to 16.1 per cent. Excess reserves of all reporting banks increased by over 100 millions to 161.5 millions. For the Central Reserve city banks excess reserves stood at 109.5 millions, or 76.2 millions in excess of the total shown the week before.

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STATEMENT OF COMBINED RESOURCES AND LIABILITIES OF THE TWELVE FEDERAL RESERVE BANKS AT CLOSE OF BUSINESS MAY 17, 1918			
	May 17, 1918	May 10, 1918	May 18, 1917
R E S O U R C E S			
Gold coin and certificates in vault	479,529,000	480,580,000	350,269,000
Gold settlement fund, F.R. Board	418,337,000	437,444,000	187,969,000
Gold with foreign agencies	52,500,000	52,500,000	---
Total gold held by banks	950,366,000	970,524,000	538,238,000
Gold with Federal Reserve Agents	915,536,000	885,027,000	448,311,000
Gold redemption fund	28,502,000	27,584,000	2,754,000
Total gold reserve			989,303,000
Legal tender notes, silver, etc.	1,894,404,000	1,883,135,000	27,442,000
Total reserves	58,308,000	59,365,000	
Bills discounted for members and F.R. Banks	1,952,712,000	1,942,500,000	1,016,745,000
Bills bought in open market	842,265,000	939,041,000	44,846,000
Total bills on hand	279,886,000	286,036,000	100,177,000
U.S. Government long-term securities	1,122,151,000	1,225,077,000	145,023,000
U.S. Government short-term securities	41,041,000	40,116,000	36,386,000
All other earning assets	73,013,000	106,762,000	78,004,000
Total earning assets	1,492,000	1,314,000	14,784,000
Due from other F.R. banks, net	1,237,727,000	1,373,799,000	274,197,000
Uncollected items	(a) 1,882,000	(a) 6,494,000	3,057,000
Total deductions from gross deposits	384,391,000	462,220,000	192,830,000
5% Redemption fund against F.R. bank notes	382,509,000	455,726,000	195,887,000
All other resources	530,000	404,000	400,000
TOTAL RESOURCES	77,000	66,000	5,836,000
	3,573,555,000	3,772,495,000	1,493,065,000
L I A B I L I T I E S			
Capital paid-in		75,118,000	56,868,000
Surplus	75,315,000	1,134,000	---
Government deposits	1,134,000	138,529,000	102,666,000
Due to members - Reserve account	48,753,000	1,548,137,000	748,499,000
Collection items	1,461,138,000	309,773,000	136,750,000
Other deposits including foreign Govt. credits	282,475,000	110,611,000	---
Total gross deposits	114,596,000	2,107,050,000	987,915,000
F. R. notes in actual circulation	1,906,962,000	1,569,618,000	446,501,000
F.R. bank notes in circulation - net liability	1,569,445,000	7,878,000	---
All other liabilities	7,878,000	11,697,000	---
TOTAL LIABILITIES	12,821,000	3,772,495,000	1,781,000
	3,573,555,000		1,493,065,000
Ratio of gold reserves to net deposit and F.R. note liabilities combined	61.2%	58.5%	79.9%
Ratio of total reserves to net deposit and F.R. note liabilities combined	63.1%	60.3%	82.1%
(a) Net amount due to other F.R. Banks.			

WEEKLY STATEMENT OF RESOURCES AND LIABILITIES OF EACH OF THE FEDERAL RESERVE BANKS AT CLOSE OF BUSINESS MAY 17, 1918

(In thousands of dollars.)

RESOURCES	Boston	New York	Phila.	Clevel.	Richm.	Atlanta	Chicago	St. Louis	Minn.	Kans. Cy.	Dallas	San Fran.	Total
Cold coin and certificates in vault	5,276	348,267	9,190	24,645	6,336	6,615	28,878	2,212	10,738	554	5,205	31,613	479,529
Gold settlement fund, F.R. Board	60,985	39,336	52,729	60,844	18,710	10,068	80,016	32,421	18,572	21,371	7,397	15,888	418,337
Gold with foreign agencies	3,675	18,112	3,675	4,725	1,837	1,575	7,350	2,100	2,100	2,625	1,838	2,888	52,500
Total gold held by banks	69,936	405,715	65,594	90,214	26,883	18,258	116,244	36,733	31,410	24,550	14,440	50,389	950,366
Gold with Federal Reserve Agents	63,213	247,839	82,796	98,204	31,096	37,345	148,713	42,003	34,804	36,979	19,193	73,351	915,536
Gold redemption fund	2,000	12,500	3,000	836	855	1,648	1,986	1,722	1,902	777	1,260	16	28,502
Total gold reserves	135,149	666,054	151,390	189,254	58,834	57,251	266,943	80,458	68,116	62,306	34,893	123,756	1894,404
Legal tender notes, silver, etc.	2,561	42,865	1,324	629	426	717	4,520	1,692	67	294	2,850	363	58,308
Total reserves	137,710	708,919	152,714	189,883	59,260	57,968	271,463	82,150	68,183	62,600	37,743	124,119	1952,712
Bills dis. for members & F.R. banks	36,049	368,714	36,276	64,104	46,333	21,303	83,989	29,150	22,024	69,067	27,133	38,123	842,265
Bills bought in open market	21,037	130,439	26,956	13,480	1,893	5,567	42,627	7,697	7,116	2,041	845	20,188	279,886
Total bills on hand	57,086	499,153	63,232	77,584	48,226	26,870	126,616	36,847	29,140	71,108	27,978	58,311	1122,151
U.S. Gov't. long-term securities	616	1,575	1,347	7,800	1,234	726	7,335	2,233	1,869	8,864	3,981	3,461	41,041
U.S. Gov't. short-term securities	1,421	43,475	2,330	9,387	1,523	1,205	3,165	511	1,430	4,433	1,936	2,227	73,043
All other earning assets	...	...	...	...	...	53	...	124	122	23	1,131	39	1,492
Total earning assets	59,123	544,203	66,909	94,771	50,983	28,854	137,116	39,715	32,561	84,428	35,026	64,038	1237,727
Due from other F.R. banks, net	...	427	1,856	...	...	10,159	7,870	...	4,032	6,420	...	283	* 1,882
Uncollected items	33,843	73,208	40,818	37,171	27,884	21,201	45,854	43,383	8,423	16,728	15,915	19,963	384,391
Total deduct. from gross deposits	33,843	73,635	42,674	37,171	27,884	31,360	53,724	43,383	12,455	23,148	15,915	20,246	382,509
5% Redemption fund against F.R. Bk. notes	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	393	137	...	530
All other resources	...	...	77	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	77
TOTAL RESOURCES	230,676	1326,757	262,374	321,825	138,127	118,182	462,303	165,248	113,199	170,569	88,821	208,403	3573,555
LIABILITIES													
Capital paid in	6,460	19,754	6,938	8,536	3,811	3,016	9,730	3,523	2,777	3,490	2,950	4,330	75,315
Surplus	75	649	...	...	116	40	216	...	38	...	...	...	1,134
Government deposits	2,230	2,074	1,428	9,581	224	4,519	4,460	4,369	8,886	3,674	2,294	5,014	48,753
Due to members, reserve account	92,892	625,718	95,986	113,581	43,323	38,428	184,337	49,339	39,503	67,676	38,657	71,698	1461,138
Collection items	22,434	59,039	31,332	31,003	20,715	14,211	26,265	33,977	7,414	14,593	6,373	15,119	282,475
Due to other F.R. banks, net	3,278	...	...	15,260	1,657	...	...	8,625	...	...	4,109	...	...
Other deposits including foreign government credits	...	104,137	...	244	...	16	5,336	469	17	...	...	4,377	114,596
Total gross deposits	120,834	790,968	128,746	169,669	65,919	57,174	220,398	96,779	55,820	85,943	51,433	96,208	1906,962
F.R. notes in actual circulation	102,818	507,826	126,690	142,917	67,981	57,952	230,818	64,446	54,213	72,112	34,131	107,541	1569,445
F.R. Bank notes in circul. net liab.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	7,878	...	...	7,878
All other liabilities	489	7,560	...	703	300	...	1,141	500	351	1,146	307	324	12,821
TOTAL LIABILITIES	230,676	1326,757	262,374	321,825	138,127	118,182	462,303	165,248	113,199	170,569	88,821	208,403	3573,555

* Difference between net amounts due from and net amounts due to other Federal Reserve Banks = Net amount due to other Federal Reserve Banks.

STATEMENT OF FEDERAL RESERVE AGENTS' ACCOUNTS AT CLOSE OF BUSINESS MAY 17, 1918.

(In thousands of dollars.)

FEDERAL RESERVE NOTES	Boston	New York	Phila.	Clevel.	Richm.	Atlanta	Chicago	St. Louis	Minn.	Kans. Cy.	Dallas	San Fran.	Total
Received from Comptroller	149,560	866,280	190,200	186,160	105,060	92,020	313,320	88,900	73,980	101,700	68,500	127,140	2,362,820
Returned to Comptroller	27,777	185,668	29,744	14,916	20,186	15,888	15,953	13,175	12,835	16,469	15,325	9,445	377,381
Chargeable to F.R. Agent	121,783	680,612	160,456	171,244	84,874	76,132	297,367	75,725	61,145	85,231	53,175	117,695	1,985,439
In hands of F.R. Agent	13,920	115,400	23,540	18,440	6,200	16,125	44,479	6,290	4,995	7,310	18,500	---	275,199
Issued to F.R. Banks less amount returned to F.R. Agent for redemption	107,863	565,212	136,916	152,804	78,674	60,007	252,888	69,435	56,150	77,921	34,675	117,695	1,710,240

COLLATERAL HELD AS SECURITY
FOR OUTSTANDING NOTES:

Gold coin and certif. on hand	16,000	173,247	---	20,517	---	2,503	---	---	13,102	---	11,581	---	236,950
Gold redemption fund	5,713	9,592	7,062	7,687	1,596	2,422	319	1,909	2,202	2,619	2,028	6,855	50,004
Gold settlement fund F.R. Bd.	41,500	65,000	75,734	70,000	29,500	32,420	148,394	40,094	19,500	34,360	5,584	66,496	628,582
Eligible paper, minimum reqd.	44,650	317,373	54,120	54,600	47,578	22,662	104,175	27,432	21,346	40,942	15,482	44,344	794,704
Total	107,863	565,212	136,916	152,804	78,674	60,007	252,888	69,435	56,150	77,921	34,675	117,695	1,710,240

AMOUNT OF ELIGIBLE PAPER DE-
LIVERED TO F. R. AGENT

	57,086	499,153	56,411	77,584	45,479	22,746	121,289	30,827	27,992	66,263	27,978	48,287	1,081,095
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FEDERAL RESERVE NOTES OUTSTANDING AND IN ACTUAL CIRCULATION.

F.R. Notes outstanding	107,863	565,212	136,916	152,804	78,674	60,007	252,888	69,435	56,150	77,921	34,675	117,695	1,710,240
F.R. Notes held by banks	5,045	57,386	10,226	9,887	10,693	2,055	22,070	4,989	1,937	5,809	544	10,154	140,795
F.R. Notes in actual circulation	102,818	507,826	126,690	142,917	67,981	57,952	230,818	64,446	54,213	72,112	34,131	107,541	1,569,445

DISTRIBUTION OF BILLS, U.S. GOVERNMENT SHORT TERM SECURITIES AND WARRANTS BY MATURITIES

Within 15 days 16 to 30 days 31 to 60 days 61 to 90 days Over 90 days Total

Bills discounted and bought	641,734	119,788	195,298	131,138	34,194	1,122,151
U.S. Gov't. short-term securities	41,976	1	16,527	3,311	11,228	73,043
Municipal warrants	---	31	455	45	---	531

STATEMENT SHOWING PRINCIPAL RESOURCE AND LIABILITY ITEMS OF MEMBER BANKS LOCATED IN CENTRAL RESERVE, RESERVE AND OTHER

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SELECTED CITIES AS AT CLOSE OF BUSINESS MAY 10, 1918.

1. Data for all reporting banks in each district														(In thousands of dollars.)	
Member banks	Boston	New York	Phila.	Clevel.	Richm.	Atlanta	Chicago	St.Louis	Minn.	Kans.Cy.	Dallas	San Fran.	Total		
No. reporting banks	40	98	49	80	73	36	95	32	31	71	40	48	693		
U.S. bonds to secure circulation	14,121	50,817	12,975	42,887	23,818	14,695	19,642	17,393	5,744	14,012	16,979	35,399	268,482		
Other U.S. bonds including Liberty bonds	18,939	317,294	31,475	79,050	25,173	25,622	83,973	24,833	10,280	20,980	16,591	22,880	677,090		
U.S. certificates of indebtedness	24,859	822,386	46,530	39,146	18,971	22,218	56,721	32,685	12,833	30,159	17,589	41,170	1,165,267		
Total U.S. securities	57,919	1,190,497	90,980	161,083	67,962	62,535	160,336	74,911	28,857	65,151	51,159	99,449	2,110,839		
Loans secured by U.S. bonds, etc.	56,492	264,809	36,376	42,697	15,824	6,416	27,771	12,558	3,179	3,997	5,226	8,391	483,736		
All other loans and investments	775,529	4,051,094	622,068	928,100	349,106	267,004	1,357,373	370,135	233,988	454,161	169,243	487,434	10,065,235		
Reserve with F.R. bank	65,643	650,252	68,131	81,129	27,214	27,545	143,464	33,349	20,242	44,460	17,705	43,993	1,223,127		
Cash in vault	28,446	130,375	20,319	31,457	15,568	14,812	64,121	14,754	9,488	17,031	11,774	21,268	379,413		
Net demand deposits	629,429	4,245,365	592,722	673,313	267,650	192,606	1,024,429	252,270	171,088	375,147	140,773	370,780	8,935,572		
Time deposits	95,600	277,896	14,426	227,748	44,669	81,868	347,103	74,634	45,040	62,606	23,175	103,499	1,398,264		
Government deposits	113,562	379,927	37,729	68,531	24,092	32,425	47,474	52,538	20,378	29,896	7,917	12,520	826,989		
2. Data for banks in each Central Reserve City, banks in all other reserve cities and other reporting banks.															
	New York		Chicago	St.Louis	Total Cen.Res.Cities		Reserve Cities		Country Banks		Total				
	May 10----	May 3	May 10	May 10	May 10----	May 3	May 10----	May 3	May 10----	May 3	May 10----	May 3			
No. reporting banks	66	66	40	14	120	120	419	418	154	148	693	686			
U.S. bonds to secure circulation	36,473	36,465	1,443	10,393	48,309	48,300	172,054	171,754	48,119	46,185	268,482	266,239			
Other U.S. bonds including Liberty bonds	275,527	148,690	52,371	18,450	346,348	174,197	279,211	161,441	51,531	32,440	677,090	368,078			
U.S. certificates of indebtedness	805,879	988,990	29,707	28,153	863,709	1,083,307	262,235	388,900	39,323	54,122	1,165,267	1,526,329			
Total U.S. securities	1,117,879	1,174,145	83,521	56,966	1,258,366	1,305,804	713,500	722,095	138,973	132,747	2,110,839	2,160,646			
Loans secured by U.S. bonds, etc.	242,321	130,549	15,713	10,097	268,131	149,167	187,031	141,408	28,574	21,362	483,736	311,937			
All other loans and investments -----	3,700,416	3,671,101	820,741	264,760	4,785,917	4,750,143	4,468,146	4,439,562	811,172	770,058	10,065,235	9,959,763			
Reserve with F.R. bank	623,574	571,677	101,742	24,820	750,136	700,599	420,396	411,295	52,595	50,627	1,223,127	1,162,521			
Cash in vault	116,927	114,908	39,184	8,288	164,399	161,411	178,017	178,157	36,997	36,078	379,413	375,646			
Net demand deposits	3,960,888	4,121,824	689,451	180,871	4,831,210	5,033,610	3,478,427	3,605,620	625,935	630,395	8,935,572	9,269,625			
Time deposits	234,825	243,395	130,630	54,724	420,179	432,233	796,819	808,523	181,266	178,300	1,398,264	1,419,056			
Government deposits	352,707	326,006	36,082	41,691	430,480	378,025	342,627	202,493	53,882	25,502	826,989	606,020			