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Federal Reserve Board,
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CONDITION OF FEDERAL RESERVE BANKS.

Further reduction in Federal Reserve note circulation as against a considerable increase in reserve deposits is indicated in the Federal Reserve Board's weekly bank statement issued as at close of business on January 16, 1920. The return movement of Federal Reserve notes since the beginning of the year has caused a net decrease of about 159 millions of Federal Reserve notes in circulation, compared with a net decrease of about 146 millions during the corresponding period in 1919. The banks' reserve ratio, notwithstanding the large increase in deposit liabilities, shows but a slight decline from 45.4 to 45.1 per cent.

War paper on hand shows a nominal decrease of 0.6 million, other discounts went up 20.9 millions, while acceptance holdings were about 1 million larger than the week before. Of the total of 1,351.5 millions of war paper held 645.1 millions, or 47.7 per cent was secured by Liberty bonds; 282.6 millions, or 20.9 per cent by Victory notes, and 423.7, or 31.4 per cent by Treasury certificates, as against 49.9, 19.0 and 31.1 per cent of a total of 1,352.1 millions of war paper reported the week before. An increase of 17.3 millions in Treasury certificates on hand represents the increase in temporary certificates held by seven Reserve banks to cover advances to the Government pending receipt of funds due from depository institutions.

Discounted paper held by the Cleveland, Atlanta, Chicago, St. Louis, Dallas and San Francisco banks include 119.8 millions of bills discounted for other Federal Reserve banks, (as against 41.9 millions of such bills held by four banks the week before), while acceptance holdings of six Reserve banks include 48.2 millions of bankers' bills purchased from the New York and Boston Banks, as against 60.9 millions the week before. All classes of deposits were larger than the week before. Government deposits increased 6.9 millions, reserve deposits, apparently as the result of considerable redemptions on January 15 of Treasury certificates, increased 93.3 millions, and other deposits (including foreign government credits) - 11.4 millions. The float carried by the Federal Reserve banks shows an increase for the week of 8.4 millions. As the result - net deposits work out at 103.2 millions more than the week before. Gold reserves increased 2.5 millions, while total cash reserves show a gain of 2.2 millions, gold deposits by the Treasury being in excess of the aggregate of export withdrawals and sales of gold held abroad.

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COMBINED RESOURCES AND LIABILITIES OF THE TWELVE FEDERAL RESERVE BANKS

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RESOURCES	January 16, 1920	January 9, 1920	January 17, 1919
Gold and gold certificates	\$212,119,000	\$220,301,000	\$334,696,000
Gold settlement fund, F.R. Board	456,260,000	380,263,000	387,572,000
Gold with foreign agencies	<u>120,323,000</u>	<u>123,322,000</u>	<u>5,828,000</u>
Total gold held by banks	788,702,000	723,886,000	728,096,000
Gold with Federal Reserve Agents	1,136,326,000	1,209,508,000	1,289,105,000
Gold redemption fund	<u>118,850,000</u>	<u>107,977,000</u>	<u>85,368,000</u>
Total gold reserves	\$2,043,878,000	\$2,041,371,000	2,102,569,000
Legal tender notes, silver, etc.	60,403,000	60,728,000	67,594,000
Total reserves	2,104,281,000	2,102,099,000	2,170,163,000
Bills discounted (Secured by Government war obligations)	1,351,454,000	1,352,085,000	1,347,088,000
(All other	748,611,000	727,670,000	254,263,000
Bills bought in open market	<u>575,675,000</u>	<u>574,722,000</u>	<u>273,507,000</u>
Total bills on hand	2,675,740,000	2,654,477,000	1,874,958,000
U. S. Government bonds	27,036,000	26,836,000	28,571,000
U. S. Victory notes	64,000	264,000	--
U. S. Certificates of Indebtedness	319,684,000	302,406,000	271,173,000
All other earning assets	-	-	4,000
Total earning assets	3,022,524,000	2,983,983,000	2,174,706,000
Bank premises	10,461,000	10,410,000	8,083,000
Uncollected items and other deductions from gross deposits	1,116,852,000	1,021,696,000	816,914,000
5% Redemption fund against F.R. bank notes	12,865,000	13,254,000	6,531,000
All other resources	<u>5,463,000</u>	<u>5,241,000</u>	<u>10,796,000</u>
TOTAL RESOURCES	6,272,446,000	6,136,683,000	5,187,193,000
LIABILITIES			
Capital paid-in	87,529,000	87,451,000	80,510,000
Surplus	120,120,000	120,120,000	22,732,000
Government deposits	34,698,000	27,798,000	48,996,000
Due to members - Reserve account	1,943,561,000	1,850,219,000	1,694,960,000
Deferred availability items	849,854,000	763,146,000	537,205,000
Other deposits, including foreign government credits	<u>107,800,000</u>	<u>96,425,000</u>	<u>128,236,000</u>
Total gross deposits	2,935,913,000	2,737,538,000	2,409,397,000
F. R. notes in actual circulation	2,849,879,000	2,914,368,000	2,513,089,000
F.R. bank notes in circulation - net liability	256,482,000	259,099,000	125,011,000
All other liabilities	<u>20,523,000</u>	<u>18,057,000</u>	<u>36,448,000</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES	6,272,446,000	6,136,683,000	5,187,193,000
Ratio of total reserves to net deposit and F.R. note liabilities combined	45.1%	45.4%	52.9%
Ratio of gold reserves to F.R. notes in circulation after setting aside 35% against net deposit liabilities	51.5%	51.5%	64.2%

RESOURCES AND LIABILITIES OF THE FEDERAL RESERVE BANKS AT CLOSE OF BUSINESS JANUARY 16, 1920.

(In thousands of dollars.)

	R E S O U R C E S										Total	
Federal Reserve bank of	Boston	New York	Phila.	Clevel.	Richm.	Atlanta	Chicago	St. Louis	Minn.	Kans. City	Dallas	San Fran.
Gold and gold certificates	8,903	124,643	1,383	12,069	2,472	6,331	24,275	2,353	7,539	340	6,448	12,360
Gold settlement fund - F.R. Board	47,525	94,198	51,166	41,205	23,666	24,041	66,448	22,559	18,018	26,607	11,583	27,439
Gold with foreign agencies	8,784	44,158	9,626	9,867	5,896	4,332	14,318	5,655	3,249	5,775	3,128	5,535
Total gold held by banks	65,212	262,999	42,175	63,141	32,034	36,704	127,044	30,867	28,806	32,722	21,164	45,834
Gold with F. R. Agents	76,761	284,286	78,583	120,723	44,587	55,288	213,020	53,879	54,703	38,100	33,014	103,382
Gold redemption fund	17,555	25,030	12,354	1,192	6,619	6,828	22,910	7,536	792	5,452	3,146	9,406
Total gold reserves	159,528	572,285	133,112	185,056	83,240	98,820	362,974	92,282	64,301	76,274	57,324	158,682
Legal tender notes, silver, etc.	4,641	45,638	422	910	204	1,103	2,278	2,934	62	287	1,471	453
Total reserves	164,169	617,923	133,534	185,966	83,444	99,923	365,252	95,216	64,363	76,561	58,795	159,135
Bills discounted: (a)												
Secured by Government war obligations	108,935	419,804	163,582	105,025	73,752	80,733	176,432	62,032	20,519	33,262	52,021	55,557
All other	47,574	268,505	31,442	39,160	22,156	12,358	117,160	33,633	44,868	58,488	10,617	36,600
Bills bought in open market (b)	34,500	212,295	6,065	63,791	11,205	9,662	84,118	15,668	8,409	14,013	6,256	109,693
Total bills on hand	191,009	920,604	201,089	207,976	107,113	108,753	377,710	111,383	73,796	105,763	68,394	201,650
U.S. Government bonds	539	1,457	1,385	833	1,235	375	4,477	1,153	116	8,863	3,906	2,632
U.S. Victory notes	-	50	-	10	-	4	-	-	-	-	-	64
U.S. Certificates of indebtedness	26,074	71,211	31,093	34,521	17,260	15,665	52,921	17,281	12,555	20,780	8,300	12,0
Total earning assets	217,622	993,322	233,572	243,340	125,608	124,797	435,108	129,817	86,467	135,411	81,160	216,3
Bank premises	1,108	3,094	500	640	553	480	2,116	356	500	462	421	231
Uncollected items and other deductions from gross deposits	87,310	268,237	95,285	86,507	87,512	50,535	141,810	74,553	23,480	88,544	60,044	53,035
5% Redemption fund against F.R. bank notes	1,072	2,832	1,475	1,166	643	803	1,692	725	276	958	558	665
All other resources	534	1,137	421	470	482	149	599	282	160	507	368	334
TOTAL RESOURCES	471,815	1,886,545	464,787	518,089	298,242	276,687	946,577	300,949	175,246	302,443	201,366	429,700
												6,272,446

- (a) Includes bills discounted for other F.R. banks, viz:
- | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|---|---|---|-------|---|--------|--------|--------|---|---|--------|--------|---------|
| - | - | - | 9,500 | - | 22,000 | 47,500 | 12,970 | - | - | 17,814 | 10,000 | 119,734 |
|---|---|---|-------|---|--------|--------|--------|---|---|--------|--------|---------|
- (b) Includes bankers' acceptances bought from other F.R. banks:
- | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|---------------------------|---|---|---|--------|--------|-------|---|---|-------|-----|--------|
| - | - | - | - | - | 15,165 | 7,134 | - | - | 5,065 | - | 27,364 |
| With their endorsement | - | - | - | - | 1,992 | 1,444 | - | - | 5,036 | 406 | 20,817 |
| Without their endorsement | - | - | - | 11,939 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |

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RESOURCES AND LIABILITIES OF THE FEDERAL RESERVE BANKS AT CLOSE OF BUSINESS JANUARY 16, 1920.
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	LIABILITIES													Total
Federal Reserve bank of	Boston	New York	Phila.	Clevel.	Richm.	Atlanta	Chicago	St.Louis	Minn.	Kans.	Cy.	Dallas	San Fran.	Total
Capital paid-in	7,105	22,393	7,837	9,533	4,397	3,435	12,375	4,081	3,090	4,021	3,415	5,797	87,529	
Surplus	8,359	45,082	8,805	9,089	5,820	4,695	14,292	3,724	3,569	6,116	3,030	7,539	120,120	
Government deposits	898	309	2,878	211	1,297	4,357	1,683	5,128	333	2,559	9,076	5,969	34,698	
Due to members - Reserve account	125,004	767,364	103,674	141,491	62,204	60,038	276,090	70,869	55,167	91,902	65,797	123,961	1,943,561	
Deferred availability items	74,167	181,977	80,854	72,886	72,758	40,731	109,912	59,720	18,049	71,842	33,427	33,531	849,854	
Other deposits including foreign government credits	6,041	50,112	8,237	6,937	3,717	2,735	11,236	4,183	2,681	4,142	2,317	5,462	107,800	
Total gross deposits	206,110	999,762	195,643	221,525	139,976	107,861	398,921	139,900	76,230	170,445	110,617	168,923	2,935,913	
F.R.notes in actual circulation	228,164	757,906	222,140	254,607	135,493	144,704	477,493	136,621	83,474	101,485	73,648	234,144	2,849,879	
F.R.bank notes in circulation - net liability	20,859	52,068	28,884	22,140	12,040	15,502	41,272	15,925	8,303	19,483	10,141	11,865	258,482	
All other liabilities	1,218	9,334	1,428	1,195	516	490	2,224	698	580	893	515	1,432	20,523	
TOTAL LIABILITIES	471,815	1,886,545	464,787	518,089	298,242	276,687	946,577	300,949	175,246	302,443	201,366	429,700	6,272,446	

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Contingent liability as
endorser on -

Discounted paper rediscounted with other F.R. banks	-	79,500	25,434	-	9,850	-	-	-	-	5,000	-	-	119,784
Bankers' acceptances sold to other F. R. Banks	27,364	-	-	"	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	27,364

FEDERAL RESERVE NOTES OUTSTANDING AND IN ACTUAL CIRCULATION

F. R. Notes outstanding	244,463	921,679	231,371	270,190	140,933	149,098	511,645	155,573	85,449	109,307	78,361	279,216	3,177,290
F. R. notes held by bank	16,304	163,773	9,231	15,583	5,440	4,394	34,152	18,952	1,975	7,822	4,713	45,072	327,411
F. R. notes in actual circulation	228,164	757,906	222,140	254,607	135,493	144,704	477,493	136,621	83,474	101,485	73,648	234,144	2,849,879

DISTRIBUTION OF BILLS AND U. S. CERTIFICATES OF INDEBTEDNESS BY MATURITIES.

	Within 15 days	16 to 30 days	31 to 60 days	61 to 90 days	Over 90 days	Total
Bills discounted	1,386,691	172,077	323,307	196,111	21,879	2,100,065
Bills bought in open market	115,446	101,103	237,365	121,761	-	575,675
U. S. certificates of indebtedness	52,457	2,574	11,850	6,600	246,203	319,684

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FEDERAL RESERVE AGENTS' ACCOUNTS AT CLOSE OF BUSINESS JANUARY 16, 1920.
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FEDERAL RESERVE NOTES:	Boston	New York	Phila.	Clevel.	Richm.	Atlanta	Chicago	St.Louis	Minn.	Kans.	Cy.	Dallas	San Fran.	Total
Received from Comptroller	479,900	2,007,600	510,780	485,840	305,860	298,000	848,960	299,600	154,060	207,260	146,000	419,820	6,163,780	
Returned to Comptroller	<u>199,652</u>	<u>975,921</u>	<u>248,409</u>	<u>182,110</u>	<u>135,179</u>	<u>98,192</u>	<u>305,205</u>	<u>120,127</u>	<u>57,971</u>	<u>89,723</u>	<u>50,359</u>	<u>133,414</u>	<u>2,596,262</u>	
Chargeable to F.R. Agent	280,248	1,031,679	262,371	303,730	170,681	199,808	543,755	179,473	96,109	117,557	95,641	286,466	3,567,518	
In hands of F. R. Agent	35,780	110,000	31,000	33,540	29,748	50,710	32,110	23,900	10,660	8,250	17,280	7,250	390,228	
Issued to F.R. bank less amount returned to F.R. Agent for redemption	<u>244,468</u>	<u>921,679</u>	<u>231,371</u>	<u>270,190</u>	<u>140,933</u>	<u>149,098</u>	<u>511,645</u>	<u>155,573</u>	<u>85,449</u>	<u>109,307</u>	<u>78,361</u>	<u>279,216</u>	<u>3,177,290</u>	
COLLATERAL SECURITY FOR OUTSTANDING NOTES:														
Gold and gold certificates on hand	-	183,740	-	30,025	-	2,500	-	4,000	13,052	-	8,831	-	242,148	
Gold redemption fund	15,761	10,546	12,694	15,698	587	3,788	7,876	2,948	2,351	3,240	4,699	15,917	96,105	
Gold settlement fund, F.R. Board	61,000	90,000	65,389	75,000	44,000	49,000	205,144	46,931	19,300	34,860	19,484	87,465	798,073	
Eligible paper, minimum required	<u>167,707</u>	<u>637,393</u>	<u>152,788</u>	<u>149,467</u>	<u>96,346</u>	<u>93,810</u>	<u>298,625</u>	<u>101,694</u>	<u>50,746</u>	<u>71,207</u>	<u>45,347</u>	<u>175,834</u>	<u>2040,964</u>	
Total	<u>244,468</u>	<u>921,679</u>	<u>231,371</u>	<u>270,190</u>	<u>140,933</u>	<u>149,098</u>	<u>511,645</u>	<u>155,573</u>	<u>85,449</u>	<u>109,307</u>	<u>78,361</u>	<u>279,216</u>	<u>3,177,290</u>	
AMOUNT OF ELIGIBLE PAPER DELIVERED TO F.R. AGENT														
	191,009	918,288	170,301	206,026	104,031	108,599	377,457	111,363	62,782	105,712	68,894	190,177	2,614,659	