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CONDITION OF FEDERAL RESERVE BANKS.

Increased discount operations and note issues and some reduction of deposit liabilities are indicated by the Federal Reserve Board's weekly bank statement issued as at close of business on February 6, 1920. Export withdrawals of gold were offset to some extent by Treasury deposits of gold and a gain of 1.8 millions in other reserve cash. The result is seen in decreases of 21.1 millions in gold reserves and of 19.3 millions in total cash reserves, also in a decline of the banks' reserve ratio from 44.5 to 44.1 per cent.

War paper holdings of the Reserve banks declined 6.3 millions, while other discounts went up 35.5 millions. Acceptances on hand show a further decline of 6.6 millions, while U. S. securities, including Treasury certificates, show but nominal changes, the net result being an increase for the week of about 22 millions in total earning assets.

Of the total of 1,451.6 millions of war paper held, 648.3 millions, or 44.7 per cent, were secured by Liberty bonds; 229.5 millions, or 15.8 per cent, by Victory notes, and 573.6 millions, or 39.5 per cent, by Treasury certificates, as against 45.8, 14.8 and 39.4 per cent of a total of 1,457.9 millions of war paper shown the week before. Discounted paper held by the Cleveland, Atlanta, Chicago and Dallas banks includes 96.2 millions of bills discounted for the New York, Philadelphia and Richmond banks, as against 87.8 millions the week before, while acceptance holdings of the Boston, Cleveland, Chicago, St. Louis and San Francisco banks are inclusive of 24.8 millions of bank acceptances purchased from the Boston and New York banks, as against 30.2 millions the week before.

Government deposits show a further reduction of 30.5 millions, as against increases of 18.7 millions in reserve deposits, and 0.3 million in other deposits, including foreign government credits. The "float" carried by the Federal Reserve banks shows an increase for the week of 29.5 millions, with the result that net deposits work out about 41 millions less than last week. As against this substantial reduction in deposit liabilities Federal Reserve note circulation shows an increase of 40.8 millions, largely for the Eastern and the Chicago districts, while the banks' liabilities on Federal Reserve bank notes in circulation show a further decline of 1.8 millions. An increase of \$1,227,000 in paid-in capital is due largely to increases in capital and surplus of existing member banks in New York City.

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COMBINED RESOURCES AND LIABILITIES OF THE TWELVE FEDERAL RESERVE BANKS

	February 6, 1920	January 30, 1920	February 7, 1919
R E S O U R C E S			
Gold and gold certificates	\$ 205,393,000	\$225,156,000	\$348,605,000
Gold settlement fund, F. R. Board	434,160,000	439,524,000	419,050,000
Gold with foreign agencies	114,321,000	114,321,000	5,829,000
Total gold held by banks	755,874,000	779,001,000	773,484,000
Gold with Federal Reserve Agents	1,116,427,000	1,119,426,000	1,231,166,000
Gold redemption fund	121,259,000	114,229,000	103,533,000
Total gold reserves			
Legal tender notes, silver, etc.	\$1,991,560,000	\$2,012,656,000	2,108,183,000
Total reserves	2,054,656,000	2,073,933,000	2,175,614,000
Bills discounted (Secured by Government war obligations)	1,451,557,000	1,457,892,000	1,451,147,000
(All other)	751,982,000	716,465,000	243,254,000
Bills bought in open market	554,750,000	561,313,000	282,702,000
Total bills on hand			
U. S. Government bonds	2,758,289,000	2,735,670,000	1,977,103,000
U. S. Victory notes	26,776,000	27,036,000	28,250,000
U. S. Certificates of Indebtedness	63,000	64,000	--
All other earning assets	276,064,000	276,421,000	139,501,000
Total earning assets	--	--	4,000
Bank premises	3,061,192,000	3,039,191,000	2,144,858,000
Uncollected items and other deductions from gross deposits	10,586,000	10,559,000	8,672,000
5% Redemption fund against F. R. bank notes	896,971,000	933,128,000	624,861,000
All other resources	12,252,000	12,260,000	6,822,000
Total resources	5,048,000	5,341,000	9,788,000
	5,040,685,000	6,074,412,000	4,970,615,000
L I A B I L I T I E S			
Capital paid-in			
Surplus	89,119,000	87,892,000	81,061,000
Government deposits	120,120,000	120,120,000	22,738,000
Due to members - Reserve account	42,446,000	72,974,000	96,809,000
Deferred availability items	1,869,438,000	1,850,712,000	1,590,441,000
Other deposits, including foreign government credits	654,735,000	720,520,000	439,221,000
Total gross deposits	95,876,000	95,418,000	112,551,000
F. R. notes in actual circulation	2,562,495,000	2,739,624,000	2,239,022,000
F. R. bank notes in circulation - net liability	2,891,775,000	2,850,944,000	2,454,165,000
All other liabilities	248,780,000	250,530,000	131,315,000
Total Liabilities	28,336,000	25,302,000	42,314,000
Ratio of total reserves to net deposit and F. R. note liabilities combined	6,040,685,000	6,074,412,000	4,970,615,000
Ratio of gold reserves to F.R. notes in circulation after setting aside 35% against net deposit liabilities	44.1%	44.5%	53.5%
	49.7%	50.5%	65.6%

RESOURCES AND LIABILITIES OF THE FEDERAL RESERVE BANKS AT CLOSE OF BUSINESS FEBRUARY 6, 1920.

R E S O U R C E S

(In thousands of dollars)

	Boston	New York	Phila.	Clevel.	Richm.	Atlanta	Chicago	St. Louis	Minn.	Kans.	Cy.	Dallas	San Fran.	Total
Federal Reserve bank of	9,544	115,488	1,151	14,119	2,369	8,601	24,415	2,937	7,306	317	6,815	12,331	205,393	
Gold and gold certificates	20,455	70,049	28,850	40,120	36,357	21,579	88,924	19,652	21,797	46,734	13,574	26,069	434,160	
Gold settlement fund-F.R. Board	8,346	41,956	9,145	9,374	5,602	4,116	13,604	5,373	3,087	5,487	2,972	5,259	114,321	
Gold with foreign agencies	38,345	227,493	39,146	63,613	44,328	34,296	126,943	27,962	32,190	52,538	23,361	43,659	753,874	
Total gold held by banks	71,806	290,732	81,321	122,306	36,913	57,988	209,293	57,517	34,070	37,813	31,443	85,225	1,116,427	
Gold with F. R. Agents	25,647	25,191	10,665	434	7,011	5,542	20,782	5,025	416	5,276	3,487	11,783	121,259	
Gold redemption fund	135,798	543,416	131,132	186,353	88,252	97,826	357,018	90,504	66,676	95,627	58,291	140,667	1,991,550	
Total gold reserves	6,568	46,387	66	806	227	1,170	2,262	3,283	54	503	1,613	157	63,096	
Legal tender notes, silver, etc.	142,366	589,803	131,198	187,159	88,479	98,996	359,280	93,787	66,730	96,130	59,904	140,824	2,054,656	
Total reserves														
Bills discounted: (a)														
Secured by Government war obligations	116,703	531,479	154,695	90,401	73,033	62,143	167,142	51,046	24,813	30,745	47,925	51,432	1,451,557	
All other	52,180	170,873	42,068	49,459	24,655	35,034	166,735	48,056	44,924	57,140	16,275	44,583	751,982	
Bills bought in open market (b)	48,877	196,876	7,861	73,955	9,917	12,648	70,086	9,466	4,933	7,246	1,072	111,813	554,750	
Total bills on hand	217,760	949,228	204,624	213,815	107,605	109,825	403,963	108,568	74,670	95,131	65,272	207,828	2,758,289	
U. S. Government bonds	539	1,457	1,385	833	1,235	114	4,477	1,153	116	8,868	3,966	2,633	26,776	
U. S. Victory notes	-	50	-	10	-	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	63	
U.S. Certificates of Indebtedness	21,842	68,202	31,013	24,012	12,260	15,665	40,474	17,162	8,480	17,240	8,300	11,414	276,064	
Total earning assets	240,141	1,018,937	237,022	238,670	121,100	125,607	448,914	126,883	83,266	121,239	77,558	221,875	3,061,192	
Bank premises	1,110	3,094	500	640	553	503	2,116	356	515	462	506	231	10,586	
Uncollected items and other deductions from gross deposits	58,303	204,014	69,626	73,947	66,533	39,044	115,782	66,638	20,530	73,831	55,795	52,928	696,971	
5% Redemption fund against F.R. bank notes	1,072	2,668	1,475	1,059	715	843	1,483	237	482	971	562	665	12,232	
All other resources	489	921	353	309	*693	131	820	283	95	396	195	363	5,048	

TOTAL RESOURCES 443,481 1,819,437 440,174 501,784 278,073 265,124 928,395 288,184 171,618 293,029 194,500 416,886 6,040,685

(a) Includes bills discounted for other F.R. Banks, viz:	-	-	-	8,600	-	14,040	54,200	-	-	-	19,341	-	96,181
(b) Includes bankers' acceptances bought from other F.R. Banks:													
With their endorsement	-	-	-	-	-	-	545	950	-	-	-	-	1,495
Without their endorsement	3,250	-	-	15,619	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3,408	22,277

* Includes Government overdraft of \$322,000.

RESOURCES AND LIABILITIES OF THE FEDERAL RESERVE BANKS AT CLOSE OF BUSINESS FEBRUARY 6, 1920.

(In thousands of dollars)

L I A B I L I T I E S

	Boston	New York	Phila.	Clevel.	Richm.	Atlanta	Chicago	St. Louis	Minn.	Kans. Cy.	Dallas	San Fran.	Total
Federal Reserve bank of													
Capital paid-in	7,210	23,453	7,900	9,537	4,398	3,485	12,541	4,083	3,123	4,031	3,484	5,874	89,119
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	3,762	4,602	4,009	1,479	-	2,521	7,747	3,711	3,575	2,719	2,514	5,807	42,446
Due to members-Reserve account	109,653	734,709	100,971	131,921	62,070	56,937	272,792	69,513	53,175	93,723	65,055	118,919	1,869,438
Deferred availability items	41,364	120,666	55,980	62,663	58,538	34,757	79,180	52,894	15,432	62,260	34,134	36,867	654,735
Other deposits including													
foreign government credits	9,427	40,045	6,928	6,236	3,720	2,674	10,072	3,767	2,314	3,890	2,070	4,733	95,876
Total gross deposits	164,206	900,022	167,888	202,299	124,328	96,889	369,791	129,885	74,496	162,592	103,773	166,326	2,662,495
F.R. notes in actual circulation	242,256	788,121	225,836	257,936	130,906	143,916	488,999	134,455	81,645	100,259	73,868	223,578	2,891,775
F.R. bank notes in circulation - net liability	19,649	51,090	27,607	21,116	11,780	15,220	39,210	14,976	7,995	18,902	9,628	11,607	248,780
All other liabilities	1,801	11,669	2,138	1,807	841	919	3,562	1,061	790	1,129	717	1,962	28,396
TOTAL LIABILITIES	443,481	1,819,437	440,174	501,784	278,073	265,124	928,395	288,184	171,618	293,029	194,500	416,886	6,040,685

M E M O R A N D A

Contingent liability as endorser on -													
Discounted paper rediscounted with other F. R. banks	-	49,800	41,381	-	5,000	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	96,181
Bankers' acceptances sold to other F. R. banks	1,495	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,495

FEDERAL RESERVE NOTES OUTSTANDING AND IN ACTUAL CIRCULATION

F.R. Notes outstanding	248,173	890,621	237,728	271,834	134,463	148,438	520,938	152,812	83,426	106,320	76,940	267,959	3,139,652
F.R. Notes held by bank	5,917	102,500	11,892	13,898	3,557	4,522	31,939	18,357	1,781	6,061	3,072	44,381	247,877
F.R. Notes in actual circulation	242,256	788,121	225,836	257,936	130,906	143,916	488,999	134,455	81,645	100,259	73,868	223,578	2,891,775

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	1,432,954	172,123	320,861	261,197	16,404	2,203,539
Bills bought in open market	123,716	136,158	222,786	72,090	-	554,750
U. S. Certificates of Indebtedness	14,472	4,500	11,179	6,000	239,913	276,064

FEDERAL RESERVE AGENTS' ACCOUNTS AT CLOSE OF BUSINESS FEBRUARY 6, 1920.
(In thousands of dollars)

	Boston	New York	Phila.	Clevel.	Richm.	Atlanta	Chicago	St. Louis	Minn.	Kans. Cy.	Dallas	San Fran.	Total
FEDERAL RESERVE NOTES:													
Received from Comptroller	487,600	2,024,440	510,780	491,340	305,860	305,000	868,520	299,900	154,080	207,300	146,980	420,480	6,222,280
Returned to Comptroller	208,607	1,012,819	260,172	193,526	142,854	105,492	328,932	127,488	61,354	95,010	53,430	142,571	2,732,255
Chargeable to F.R. Agent	278,993	1,011,621	250,608	297,814	163,006	199,508	539,588	172,412	92,726	112,290	93,550	277,909	3,490,025
In hands of F. R. Agent	30,820	121,000	12,880	25,980	28,543	51,070	18,650	19,600	9,300	5,970	16,610	9,950	350,373
Issued to F.R. bank less amount returned to F.R. Agent for redemption	248,173	890,621	237,728	271,834	134,463	148,438	520,938	152,812	83,426	106,320	76,940	267,959	3,139,652
COLLATERAL SECURITY FOR OUTSTANDING NOTES:													
Gold and gold certificates on hand	-	183,740	-	28,025	-	2,500	-	4,000	13,052	-	8,831	-	240,148
Gold redemption fund	14,806	16,992	10,932	14,281	3,913	3,488	9,149	3,587	1,718	1,953	4,628	17,295	102,742
Gold settlement fund, F.R. Board	57,000	90,000	70,389	80,000	33,000	52,000	200,144	49,930	19,300	35,860	17,984	67,930	773,537
Eligible paper, minimum required	176,367	599,889	156,407	149,528	97,550	90,450	311,645	95,295	49,356	68,507	45,497	182,734	2,023,225
Total	248,173	890,621	237,728	271,834	134,463	148,438	520,938	152,812	83,426	106,320	76,940	267,959	3,139,652
AMOUNT OF ELIGIBLE PAPER DELIVERED TO F.R. AGENT	217,760	946,763	171,789	204,533	102,972	105,773	403,867	108,568	66,549	95,131	65,272	201,284	2,690,261