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CONDITION OF FEDERAL RESERVE BANKS

Further gains of 5.3 millions of gold and of 7.2 millions of total cash reserves, as against a reduction of 32.2 millions in Federal Reserve note circulation and an increase of 66.3 millions in deposit liabilities, are indicated in the Federal Reserve Board's weekly bank statement issued as at close of business on March 25, 1921. The banks' reserve ratio shows a decline for the week from 51 to 50.8 per cent.

Member banks' borrowings from the Reserve Banks show an aggregate increase of 61.7 millions, though the New York Bank reports a decrease of 41.1 millions under this head. Of the total increase in discounted paper held, 10 millions represents an increase in paper secured by U. S. Government obligations, and 51.7 millions an increase in other discounts. Acceptances on hand show but a nominal increase. The statement for the first time shows separate figures for the so-called Pittman certificates, deposited with the Treasurer of the United States to secure Federal Reserve Bank note circulation. The total amount of these certificates, \$254,375,000, shows no change for the week. Holdings of other certificates fell off 28.1 millions, of which 24 millions represents the amount of special certificates held by three Reserve Banks on the previous Friday and redeemed by the Government during the week. In consequence of the above changes, total earning assets show an increase of 33.9 millions, and at the close of the week stood at 2,692.4 millions, compared with 3,191 millions on the corresponding date of last year.

Of the total holdings of 1,010.4 millions of paper secured by United States Government obligations, 650.1 millions, or 64.3 per cent, were secured by Liberty or other U. S. Bonds; 265.8 millions, or 26.3 per cent, by Victory notes, and 94.5 millions, or 9.4 per cent, by Treasury certificates, compared with 591.3, 250.2 and 158.8 millions shown the week before. The large reduction in the holdings of paper secured by certificates apparently reflects corresponding amounts of certificates purchased by the Government or placed with ultimate investors by the member banks.

Discounted bills held by the Cleveland Reserve Bank include 14.7 millions of bills discounted for the Dallas Bank, compared with 13.4 millions the week before, while acceptance holdings of the Boston, Cleveland, Philadelphia and San Francisco Banks are shown inclusive of 3.3 millions of bank acceptances purchased from the New York Bank, compared with 5.9 millions shown on the previous Friday.

Of the total increase in deposits above shown, 55.9 millions represents an increase in Government deposits; member banks' reserve deposits show a decrease of 3.2 millions, while other deposits, composed largely of non-member banks' clearing accounts and cashier's checks, increased by 13.6 millions. Federal Reserve note circulation shows a further reduction for the week of 32.2 millions, the March 25 total of 2,930.7 millions being 474.2 millions below the peak figure of December 23, 1920 and 117.3 millions below the total reported on the corresponding date last year. Federal Reserve Bank note circulation shows a further decline for the week of 3.8 millions and totaled 175.5 millions, compared with 179.3 millions about a year ago.

RESOURCES AND LIABILITIES  
OF THE TWELVE FEDERAL RESERVE BANKS COMBINED.

(In thousands of dollars)

RESOURCES	Mar. 25, 1921	Mar. 18, 1921	Mar. 26, 1920
Gold and gold certificates . . . . .	291,960	266,431	154,237
Gold settlement fund - F.R. Board . . . . .	509,913	513,572	363,132
Gold with foreign agencies . . . . .	- - -	- - -	112,781
<u>Total gold held by banks</u> . . . . .	801,873	780,003	630,150
Gold with Federal Reserve Agents . . . . .	1,245,507	1,257,807	1,186,829
Gold redemption fund . . . . .	163,385	167,729	117,776
<u>Total gold reserves</u> . . . . .	2,210,765	2,205,539	1,934,755
Legal tender notes, silver, etc. . . . .	211,212	209,250	122,400
<u>Total reserves</u> . . . . .	2,421,977	2,414,789	2,057,155
Bills discounted:			
Sec. by U.S. Government obligations . . . . .	1,010,373	1,000,386	1,441,015
All other . . . . .	1,276,275	1,224,533	1,008,215
Bills bought in open market . . . . .	123,056	122,780	451,879
<u>Total bills on hand</u> . . . . .	2,409,704	2,347,699	2,901,109
U. S. Government bonds . . . . .	25,847	25,845	26,798
U. S. Victory notes . . . . .	19	19	68
U. S. Certificates of indebtedness:			
One-year certificates (Pittman Act) . . . . .	254,375	254,375	259,375
All other . . . . .	2,490	30,576	3,681
<u>Total earning assets</u> . . . . .	2,692,435	2,658,514	3,191,031
Bank premises . . . . .	20,522	20,465	11,990
5% Redemption fund against			
F. R. Bank notes . . . . .	12,068	12,428	13,900
Gold abroad in custody or in transit . . . . .	3,300	3,300	- - -
Uncollected items . . . . .	593,640	716,882	767,675
All other resources . . . . .	9,225	9,891	6,020
<u>TOTAL RESOURCES</u> . . . . .	5,753,167	5,836,269	6,047,771
LIABILITIES			
Capital paid in . . . . .	101,113	101,058	91,059
Surplus . . . . .	202,036	202,036	120,120
Deposits:			
Government deposits . . . . .	114,685	58,789	27,711
Due to members - reserve account . . . . .	1,674,536	1,677,774	1,867,125
Other deposits, including foreign			
government credits . . . . .	51,666	38,072	100,160
<u>Total deposits</u> . . . . .	1,840,887	1,774,635	1,994,996
F.R. notes in actual circulation . . . . .	2,930,729	2,962,880	3,048,039
F.R. Bank notes in circulation -			
net liability . . . . .	175,490	179,250	201,392
Deferred availability items . . . . .	454,279	570,347	546,696
All other liabilities . . . . .	48,633	46,063	45,469
<u>TOTAL LIABILITIES</u> . . . . .	5,753,167	5,836,269	6,047,771
Ratio of total reserves to deposit and			
F.R. note liabilities combined . . . . .	50.8%	51.0%	*42.7%
Ratio of gold reserves to F. R. notes			
in circulation after setting aside			
35% against deposit liabilities . . . . .	60.7%	60.5%	*47.1%

\*Calculated on basis of net deposits and F.R. notes in circulation.

## RESOURCES AND LIABILITIES OF THE FEDERAL RESERVE BANKS AT CLOSE OF BUSINESS MARCH 25, 1921.

	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	7,308	206,695	3,228	6,590	3,395	4,846	21,288	3,350	8,306	2,584	6,844	17,526	291,960
Gold and gold certificates	7,308	206,695	3,228	6,590	3,395	4,846	21,288	3,350	8,306	2,584	6,844	17,526	291,960
Gold settlement fund - F.R.Board	29,338	112,298	51,861	88,489	25,819	17,099	81,845	18,402	19,185	27,154	9,333	29,090	509,913
Total gold held by banks	36,646	318,993	55,089	95,079	29,214	21,945	103,133	21,752	27,491	29,738	16,177	46,616	801,873
Gold with F. R. Agents	138,516	233,300	117,209	194,934	47,903	56,085	184,767	58,697	25,156	38,064	16,683	134,193	1,245,507
Gold redemption fund	37,696	36,000	12,659	13,397	9,720	7,592	17,244	4,464	3,196	4,136	7,160	10,121	163,385
Total gold reserves	212,858	588,293	184,957	303,410	86,837	85,622	305,144	84,913	55,843	71,938	40,020	190,930	2,210,765
Legal tender notes, silver, etc.	12,933	151,624	3,175	3,595	5,122	4,394	10,755	8,680	490	3,219	5,008	2,217	211,212
Total reserves	225,791	739,917	188,132	307,005	91,959	90,016	315,899	93,593	56,333	75,157	45,028	193,147	2,421,977
Bills discounted: (a)													
Secured by U.S.Govt.obligations	69,248	377,173	111,967	61,835	49,980	57,762	129,745	37,204	14,106	36,665	11,091	53,597	1,010,373
All other	80,444	318,651	46,795	76,395	62,173	65,995	285,495	55,440	55,113	67,960	52,315	109,499	1,276,275
Bills bought in open market (b)	10,221	39,386	14,077	24,012	3,133	744	10,294	2,030	-	205	-	18,954	123,056
Total bills on hand	159,913	735,210	172,839	162,242	115,286	124,501	425,534	94,674	69,219	104,830	63,406	182,050	2,409,704
U. S. Government bonds	550	1,255	1,435	834	1,233	113	4,490	1,153	116	8,867	3,979	1,822	25,847
U. S. Victory notes	5	-	-	10	-	3	-	-	-	1	-	-	19
U. S. Certificates of indebtedness:													
One year certificates (Pittman Act)	21,436	59,276	30,280	23,799	12,260	16,664	39,612	13,068	8,480	10,320	8,300	10,880	254,375
All other	19	-	1,860	30	2	1	-	277	-	141	-	160	2,490
Total earning assets	181,923	795,741	206,414	186,915	128,781	141,282	469,636	109,172	77,815	124,159	75,685	194,912	2,692,435
Bank premises	3,220	4,640	506	1,704	1,628	726	2,827	626	599	1,742	1,775	529	20,522
5% Redemption fund against F. R.													
Bank notes	1,072	2,148	1,300	1,240	601	616	1,936	523	465	916	586	665	12,068
Gold abroad in custody or in transit	241	1,211	264	270	162	119	393	155	89	158	86	152	3,300
Uncollected items	41,209	134,241	47,314	53,933	49,690	27,070	79,688	32,203	16,301	41,355	31,789	38,877	593,640
All other resources	524	2,518	565	547	453	539	1,720	526	127	554	664	494	9,225
TOTAL RESOURCES	453,980	1,680,380	444,495	551,614	273,274	260,368	872,099	236,798	151,729	244,041	155,613	428,776	5,753,167
(a) Includes bills discounted for other F. R. Banks, viz:	-	-	-	14,663	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	14,663
(b) Includes bankers' acceptances bought from other F.R.Banks:													
Without their endorsement	258	25	1,206	537	-	-	-	1000	-	-	-	1,310	4,336

## RESOURCES AND LIABILITIES OF THE FEDERAL RESERVE BANKS AT CLOSE OF BUSINESS MARCH 25, 1921.

(In thousands of dollars)

## L I A B I L I T I E S

Federal Reserve Bank	Boston	New York	Phila.	Clevel.	Richm.	Atlanta	Chicago	St.Louis	Minn.	Kans.Cy.	Dallas	San Fran.	Total
Capital paid in	7,838	26,488	8,599	10,880	5,325	4,075	14,139	4,433	3,498	4,488	4,134	7,216	101,113
Surplus	15,711	56,414	17,010	20,305	10,561	8,343	28,980	8,346	6,980	9,159	6,033	14,194	202,036
Government deposits	9,472	25,245	11,698	7,758	8,559	9,715	11,918	4,229	4,531	7,562	8,612	5,386	114,685
Due to members - reserve account	106,379	639,486	102,023	145,164	55,179	47,459	237,106	61,949	43,608	75,071	46,761	114,351	1,674,536
Other deposits including foreign government credits	2,768	24,122	950	2,078	466	1,034	4,874	1,506	513	1,019	1,063	11,273	51,666
Total deposits	118,619	688,853	114,671	155,000	64,204	58,208	253,898	67,684	48,652	83,652	56,436	131,010	1,840,887
F. R. notes in actual circulation	259,837	780,740	242,344	293,082	145,499	156,026	480,345	115,944	69,303	95,130	59,947	232,532	2,930,729
F. R. Bank notes in circulation - net liability	15,253	31,300	17,387	21,158	8,859	13,420	28,557	6,960	6,968	11,667	5,350	8,611	175,490
Deferred availability items	33,988	79,446	41,869	48,301	37,084	18,098	57,502	31,701	14,649	37,478	22,128	32,035	454,279
All other liabilities	2,734	17,139	2,615	2,888	1,742	2,198	8,678	1,730	1,679	2,467	1,585	3,178	48,633
TOTAL LIABILITIES	453,980	1,680,380	444,495	551,614	273,274	260,368	872,099	236,798	151,729	244,041	155,613	428,776	5,753,167

## M E M O R A N D A

Ratio of total reserves to deposit and F.R. note liabilities combined, per cent	59.7	50.3	52.7	68.5	43.9	42.0	43.0	51.0	47.8	42.0	38.7	53.1	50.8
Contingent liability as endorser on discounted paper rediscounted with other Federal Reserve Banks	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	14,663	-	14,663
Bankers' acceptances sold to other F. R. Banks without endorsement	-	3,311	-	-	-	-	670	-	-	-	-	25	4 3,336
Contingent liability on bills purchased for foreign correspondents	2,336	12,125	2,560	2,624	1,568	1,152	3,808	1,504	864	1,536	832	1,472	32,381

## FEDERAL RESERVE NOTES OUTSTANDING AND IN ACTUAL CIRCULATION

F. R. notes outstanding	273,573	921,846	266,157	318,121	152,598	161,760	526,882	140,571	71,337	104,221	63,393	294,417	3,294,876
F. R. notes held by banks	13,736	141,106	23,813	25,039	7,099	5,734	46,537	24,627	2,034	9,091	3,446	61,885	364,147
F. R. notes in actual circulation	259,837	780,740	242,344	293,082	145,499	156,026	480,345	115,944	69,303	95,130	59,947	232,532	2,930,729

## 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	1,362,700	234,427	369,200	278,264	42,057	2,286,648
Bills bought in open market	47,033	25,264	36,510	14,249	-	123,056
U. S. Certificates of indebtedness	6,424	4,621	6,555	7,255	232,010	256,865

## FEDERAL RESERVE AGENTS' ACCOUNTS AT CLOSE OF BUSINESS MARCH 25, 1921.

(In thousands of dollars)

Federal Reserve Agent at	Boston	New York	Phila.	Clevel.	Richm.	Atlanta	Chicago	St.Louis	Minn.	Kans.Cy.	Dallas	San Fran.	Total
<b>R E S O U R C E S</b>													
Federal Reserve notes on hand	106,930	268,000	31,140	43,830	26,878	78,945	141,000	26,840	12,510	3,400	22,669	40,300	802,442
Federal Reserve notes outstanding	273,573	921,846	266,157	318,121	152,598	161,760	526,882	140,571	71,337	104,221	63,393	294,417	3,294,876
Collateral security for Federal Reserve notes outstanding:													
Gold and gold certificates	5,600	169,608	-	23,775	-	3,500	-	5,960	13,052	-	4,891	-	226,386
Gold redemption fund	17,916	7,692	12,820	16,159	4,403	2,585	14,623	4,906	1,904	3,704	3,558	14,241	104,511
Gold settlement fund-F.R.Board	115,000	56,000	104,389	155,000	43,500	50,000	170,144	47,831	10,200	34,360	8,234	119,952	914,610
Eligible paper:													
Amount required	135,057	688,546	148,948	123,187	104,695	105,675	342,115	81,874	46,181	66,157	46,710	160,224	2,049,369
Excess amount held	24,856	14,476	11,826	38,021	8,781	18,812	83,195	12,769	21,948	38,628	16,438	20,604	310,354
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>678,932</b>	<b>2,126,168</b>	<b>575,280</b>	<b>718,093</b>	<b>340,855</b>	<b>421,277</b>	<b>1,277,959</b>	<b>320,751</b>	<b>177,132</b>	<b>250,470</b>	<b>165,893</b>	<b>649,738</b>	<b>7,702,548</b>
<b>L I A B I L I T I E S</b>													
Net amount of Federal Reserve notes received from Comptroller of the Currency	380,503	1,189,846	297,297	361,951	179,476	240,705	667,882	167,411	83,847	107,621	86,062	334,717	4,097,318
Collateral received from Federal Reserve Bank:													
Gold	138,516	233,300	117,209	194,934	47,903	56,085	184,767	58,697	25,156	38,064	16,683	134,193	1,245,507
Eligible paper	159,913	703,022	160,774	161,208	113,476	124,487	425,310	94,643	68,129	104,785	63,148	180,828	2,359,723
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>678,932</b>	<b>2,126,168</b>	<b>575,280</b>	<b>718,093</b>	<b>340,855</b>	<b>421,277</b>	<b>1,277,959</b>	<b>320,751</b>	<b>177,132</b>	<b>250,470</b>	<b>165,893</b>	<b>649,738</b>	<b>7,702,548</b>