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CONDITION OF FEDERAL RESERVE BANKS

Increases of \$93,700,000 in discounted bills and of \$1,400,000 in acceptances purchased in open market, as against a reduction of \$9,000,000 in Government securities, are shown in the Federal Reserve Board's weekly consolidated bank statement issued as at close of business on May 2, 1923. Deposit liabilities increased by \$75,300,000, and Federal reserve note circulation - by \$14,900,000, while cash reserves show a reduction of \$4,700,000. In consequence of these changes the reserve ratio declined from 77 to 75.2 per cent.

All Federal reserve banks, except those of Cleveland, Richmond and San Francisco, show larger holdings of discounted bills than the week before, the New York bank reporting an increase of \$57,400,000 in its discount portfolio. Substantial increases under the same head are also shown by the Chicago and Boston banks. Liquidation of Government securities was limited to U. S. bonds and notes, the New York bank reporting a reduction of \$7,800,000 of this item.

Gold reserves show a decline of about \$4,000,000 for the week. The gold movement, largely through the settlement fund, was away from Boston, which reported a decrease in its gold reserves for the week of \$10,000,000, and from Atlanta, where a decrease of about \$4,000,000 took place. Smaller decreases in gold reserves totaling \$9,300,000 are shown for Cleveland, Kansas City, Chicago, St. Louis and Minneapolis. The largest increase in gold reserves, amounting to \$9,500,000, is reported by the San Francisco bank, Richmond shows an increase of \$4,600,000, and the remaining three banks - an aggregate increase of \$5,200,000.

Holdings of paper secured by Government obligations increased during the week from \$339,900,000 to \$362,600,000. Of the total held on May 2, \$206,000,000, or 56.3 per cent, were secured by United States bonds, \$2,900,000, or 0.8 per cent, by Victory notes, \$142,800,000, or 39.4 per cent, by Treasury notes, and \$10,900,000, or 3 per cent, by Treasury certificates, compared with \$187,500,000, \$3,000,000, \$139,700,000 and \$9,700,000 reported the week before.

A summary of changes in the principal assets and liabilities of the reserve banks, as compared with a week and a year ago, follows:

	Increase or Decrease In millions of dollars since	
	Apr. 25, 1923	May 3, 1922
Total reserves.	- 4.7	+ 55.6
Gold reserves	- 4.0	+ 85.8
Total earning assets	+ 86.1	- 35.3
Discounted bills, total	+ 93.7	+ 221.0
Secured by U. S. Government obligations	+ 22.7	+ 172.2
Other bills discounted	+ 71.0	+ 48.8
Purchased bills	+ 1.4	+ 168.2
United States securities, total	- 9.0	- 424.4
Bonds and notes	- 9.0	- 117.4
U. S. Certificates of indebtedness	-	- 307.0
Total deposits	+ 75.3	+ 91.5
Members' reserve deposits	+ 40.7	+ 119.8
Government deposits	+ 14.4	- 23.3
Other deposits	+ 20.2	- 5.0
Federal Reserve notes in circulation	+ 14.9	+ 64.1
F. R. Bank notes in circulation - net liability	-	- 75.1

RESOURCES AND LIABILITIES
OF THE TWELVE FEDERAL RESERVE BANKS COMBINED

(In thousands of dollars)

RESOURCES	May 2, 1923	Apr. 25, 1923	May 3, 1922
Gold and gold certificates	317,740	323,822	326,381
Gold settlement fund - F. R. Board	693,564	695,630	441,261
<u>Total gold held by banks</u>	<u>1,011,304</u>	<u>1,019,452</u>	<u>767,642</u>
Gold with Federal Reserve Agents	2,005,998	2,007,555	2,169,736
Gold redemption fund	63,277	57,562	57,398
<u>Total gold reserves</u>	<u>3,080,579</u>	<u>3,084,569</u>	<u>2,994,776</u>
Reserves other than gold	93,809	94,473	124,041
<u>Total reserves</u>	<u>3,174,388</u>	<u>3,179,042</u>	<u>3,118,817</u>
Non-reserve cash	61,642	70,691	*
Bills discounted:			
Sec. by U.S. Government obligations . . .	362,633	339,880	190,474
Other bills discounted	367,707	296,717	318,902
Bills bought in open market	275,429	274,041	107,278
<u>Total bills on hand</u>	<u>1,005,769</u>	<u>910,638</u>	<u>616,654</u>
U. S. bonds and notes	147,993	157,030	265,483
U. S. Certificates of indebtedness: . . .	36,779	36,780	343,736
Municipal warrants	40	41	-
<u>Total earning assets</u>	<u>1,190,581</u>	<u>1,104,489</u>	<u>1,225,873</u>
Bank premises	50,059	49,945	39,809
5% Redemption fund against			
F. R. Bank notes	191	191	7,604
Uncollected items	640,543	622,644	516,586
All other resources	14,199	14,065	19,978
<u>TOTAL RESOURCES</u>	<u>5,131,603</u>	<u>5,041,067</u>	<u>4,928,667</u>
LIABILITIES			
Capital paid in	108,822	108,857	104,531
Surplus	218,369	218,369	215,398
Deposits:			
Government	49,083	34,692	72,422
Member bank - reserve account	1,894,651	1,853,935	1,774,802
Other deposits	40,114	19,916	45,108
<u>Total deposits</u>	<u>1,983,848</u>	<u>1,908,543</u>	<u>1,892,332</u>
F. R. notes in actual circulation	2,237,505	2,222,583	2,173,436
F. R. Bank notes in circulation -			
net liability	2,299	2,287	77,411
Deferred availability items	564,788	564,398	444,775
All other liabilities	15,972	16,025	20,784
<u>TOTAL LIABILITIES</u>	<u>5,131,603</u>	<u>5,041,067</u>	<u>4,928,667</u>
Ratio of total reserves to deposit and			
F. R. note liabilities combined	75.2%	77.0%	76.7%
Contingent liability on bills purchased			
for foreign correspondents	33,235	33,085	34,723

*Not shown separately prior to January 1923.

RESOURCES AND LIABILITIES OF THE FEDERAL RESERVE BANKS AT CLOSE OF BUSINESS, MAY 2, 1923.

(In thousands of dollars)

	R E S O U R C E S												
Federal Reserve Bank of	Boston	New York	Phila.	Cleve.	Rich.	Atlanta	Chicago	St. Louis	Minn.	Kans. Cy.	Dallas	San Fran.	Total
Gold and gold certificates	17,464	150,280	24,064	12,754	7,851	5,843	53,744	3,428	7,973	3,083	10,558	20,698	317,740
Gold settlement fund - F. R. Board	60,011	286,129	34,982	70,452	30,843	19,364	88,994	13,444	16,475	30,571	12,234	30,065	693,864
Total gold held by banks	77,475	436,409	59,046	83,206	38,694	25,207	142,738	16,872	24,448	33,654	22,792	50,763	1,011,304
Gold with F. R. Agents	172,520	838,239	163,306	205,470	38,914	92,556	355,478	60,886	47,702	44,325	12,202	174,800	2,005,998
Gold redemption fund	5,585	7,001	5,496	4,771	3,768	2,499	20,919	3,175	1,919	2,755	1,165	4,224	63,277
Total gold reserves	255,580	1,081,649	227,848	293,447	81,376	120,262	519,135	80,733	74,069	80,734	36,159	229,587	3,080,579
Reserves other than gold	8,922	13,046	3,922	6,914	7,661	8,584	13,342	17,917	1,044	3,632	4,198	4,627	93,809
Total reserves	264,502	1,094,695	231,770	300,361	89,037	128,846	532,477	98,650	75,113	84,366	40,357	234,214	3,174,388
Non-reserve cash	12,255	7,836	3,237	4,844	2,284	6,420	6,928	4,518	1,590	3,002	3,640	5,088	61,642
Bills discounted:													
Secured by U.S. Govt. obligations	18,466	136,456	41,799	25,574	23,228	4,810	46,724	14,783	6,125	12,624	1,716	30,328	362,633
Other bills discounted	26,221	75,118	17,738	21,180	35,476	24,184	54,578	17,682	17,689	21,186	23,269	33,386	367,707
Bills bought in open market	21,911	54,373	23,634	43,452	2,179	33,968	35,017	12,686	601	-	13,023	34,585	275,429
Total bills on hand	66,598	265,947	83,171	90,206	60,883	62,962	136,319	45,151	24,415	33,810	38,008	98,299	1,005,769
U. S. bonds and notes	5,401	3,393	24,348	12,344	1,341	551	7,056	14,887	14,565	33,111	3,379	27,617	147,993
U. S. Certificates of indebtedness	169	346	348	5,491	-	7	18,616	3,257	20	2,501	6,000	24	36,779
Municipal warrants	-	-	40	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	40
Total earning assets	72,168	269,686	107,907	108,041	62,224	63,520	161,991	63,295	39,000	69,422	47,387	125,940	1,190,581
Bank premises	4,434	11,695	712	8,284	2,617	2,448	8,715	948	1,152	4,867	1,937	2,250	50,059
Redemption fund against F. R. Bank notes	-	-	-	-	-	-	65	-	-	100	26	-	191
Uncollected items	57,489	140,485	58,130	71,229	54,985	25,683	87,209	36,918	13,792	35,314	21,500	37,809	640,543
All other resources	124	1,675	441	528	543	368	759	339	1,598	1,036	2,251	4,537	14,199
TOTAL RESOURCES	410,972	1,526,072	402,197	493,287	211,690	227,285	798,144	204,668	132,245	198,107	117,098	409,838	5,131,603

RESOURCES AND LIABILITIES OF THE FEDERAL RESERVE BANKS AT CLOSE OF BUSINESS MAY 2, 1923.

L I A B I L I T I E S

(In thousands of dollars)

Federal Reserve Bank	Boston	New York	Phila.	Cleve.	Rich.	Atlanta	Chicago	St. Louis	Minn.	Kans. Cy.	Dallas	San Fran.	Total
Capital paid in	8,068	28,942	9,642	11,994	5,678	4,412	15,007	4,933	3,574	4,596	4,184	7,792	108,822
Surplus	16,312	59,800	18,749	23,495	11,288	8,942	30,398	9,665	7,473	9,488	7,496	15,263	218,369
Deposits:													
Government	2,901	9,732	3,119	6,061	5,509	2,145	8,047	1,915	1,905	2,346	2,581	2,822	49,083
Member bank - reserve account	124,822	713,310	116,059	161,601	59,412	54,685	277,670	71,518	47,543	78,721	49,091	140,219	1,894,651
Other deposits	504	29,967	532	1,169	151	157	1,499	913	691	462	160	3,909	40,114
Total deposits	128,227	753,009	119,710	168,831	65,072	56,987	287,216	74,346	50,139	81,529	51,832	146,950	1,983,848
F. R. notes in actual circulation	204,873	571,466	201,014	226,835	80,334	133,050	394,132	78,578	56,372	61,208	28,269	201,374	2,237,505
F. R. Bank notes in circulation - net liability	-	-	-	-	-	-	617	-	-	1,299	383	-	2,299
Deferred availability items	52,745	109,401	52,002	60,758	48,590	22,983	69,077	36,224	13,712	39,261	23,088	36,947	564,788
All other liabilities	747	3,454	1,080	1,374	728	911	1,697	922	975	726	1,846	1,512	15,972
TOTAL LIABILITIES	410,972	1,526,072	402,197	493,287	211,690	227,285	798,144	204,668	132,245	198,107	117,098	409,838	5,131,603
Ratio of total reserves to deposit and F. R. note liabilities combined, per cent	79.4	82.7	72.3	75.9	61.2	67.8	78.2	64.5	70.5	59.1	50.4	67.2	75.2
Contingent liability on bills purchased for foreign correspondents	2,479	9,138	2,843	3,570	1,719	1,355	4,595	1,454	1,124	1,421	1,190	2,347	33,235

FEDERAL RESERVE NOTES OUTSTANDING AND IN ACTUAL CIRCULATION

F. R. notes outstanding	223,557	729,100	230,873	245,468	87,583	137,852	443,312	97,640	59,821	69,118	31,217	243,899	2,599,440
F. R. notes held by banks	18,684	157,634	29,859	18,633	7,249	4,802	49,180	19,062	3,449	7,910	2,948	42,525	361,935
F. R. notes in actual circulation	204,873	571,466	201,014	226,835	80,334	133,050	394,132	78,578	56,372	61,208	28,269	201,374	2,237,505

DISTRIBUTION OF BILLS, U. S. CERTIFICATES OF INDEBTEDNESS AND MUNICIPAL WARRANTS BY MATURITIES

	Within 15 days	16 to 30 days	31 to 60 days	61 to 90 days	From 91 days to 6 months	Over 6 months	Total
Bills discounted	507,132	51,223	86,441	56,365	28,579	600	730,340
Bills bought in open market	66,288	45,648	98,994	54,889	9,610	-	275,429
U. S. Certificates of indebtedness	515	-	213	-	515	35,536	36,779
Municipal warrants	40	-	-	-	-	-	40

FEDERAL RESERVE AGENTS' ACCOUNTS AT CLOSE OF BUSINESS, MAY 2, 1923.

(In thousands of dollars)

Federal Reserve Agent at	Boston	New York	Phila.	Cleve.	Rich.	Atlanta	Chicago.	St. Louis	Minn.	Kans. Cy.	Dallas	San Fran.	Total
R E S O U R C E S													
Federal Reserve notes on hand	82,450	318,340	42,800	33,020	28,470	80,163	106,300	26,190	11,593	19,163	20,149	59,825	828,463
Federal Reserve notes outstanding	223,557	729,100	230,873	245,468	87,583	137,852	443,312	97,640	59,821	69,118	31,217	243,899	2,599,440
Collateral security for Federal Reserve notes outstanding:													
Gold and gold certificates	25,300	235,531	7,000	13,275	-	2,400	-	11,880	13,052	-	6,461	-	314,899
Gold redemption fund	19,220	31,708	15,417	12,195	4,119	5,156	16,833	3,306	1,650	3,965	1,741	19,758	135,068
Gold fund - F. R. Board	128,000	371,000	140,889	180,000	34,795	85,000	338,645	45,500	33,000	40,360	4,000	154,842	1,556,031
Eligible paper -													
Amount required	51,037	90,861	67,567	39,998	48,669	45,296	87,834	36,954	12,119	24,793	19,015	69,299	593,442
Excess amount held	15,561	147,723	5,747	49,549	8,894	17,539	48,479	8,006	11,724	9,015	18,713	28,485	369,435
TOTAL	545,125	1,924,263	510,293	573,505	212,530	373,406	1,041,403	229,476	142,959	166,414	101,296	576,108	6,396,778⁰
L I A B I L I T I E S													
Net amount of Federal Reserve notes received from Comptroller of the Currency	306,007	1,047,440	273,673	278,488	116,053	218,015	549,612	123,830	71,414	88,281	51,366	303,724	3,427,903
Collateral received from Federal Reserve Bank:													
Gold	172,520	638,239	163,306	205,470	38,914	92,556	355,478	60,686	47,702	44,325	12,202	174,600	2,005,998
Eligible paper	66,598	238,584	73,314	89,547	57,563	62,835	136,313	44,960	23,843	33,808	37,728	97,784	962,877 ⁶⁹
TOTAL	545,125	1,924,263	510,293	573,505	212,530	373,406	1,041,403	229,476	142,959	166,414	101,296	576,108	6,396,778⁰