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CONDITION OF FEDERAL RESERVE BANKS

Increases of about \$3,000,000 in discounted bills and of \$18,100,000 in Government securities, as against a reduction of \$10,800,000 in acceptances purchased in open market, are shown in the Federal Reserve Board's weekly bank statement issued as at close of business on May 23, 1923. Deposit liabilities declined \$7,400,000 and Federal reserve note circulation - \$5,300,000, while cash reserves advanced \$6,700,000. The reserve ratio, in consequence of these changes, shows a rise from 75.3 to 75.6 per cent.

Moderate increases in the holdings of discounted paper totaling \$25,700,000 are shown for seven reserve banks, including the New York, Philadelphia, Atlanta, and Kansas City banks, while decreases aggregating \$22,700,000 are shown for five other reserve banks, mainly for the Boston, Cleveland and Chicago banks. The New York bank reports holdings of \$20,600,000 of Treasury certificates, of which \$5,000,000 represent special certificates to cover advances to the Government pending collection of funds from depositary institutions.

Gold reserves show an increase for the week of \$5,400,000 and stand at \$3,093,300,000, a new high total for the system. Since January 3 the increase in the System's gold reserves has been about \$43,800,000, compared with an increase of \$132,400,000 for the corresponding period in 1922. The inter-district movement of gold through the settlement fund has been away from New York City, the local reserve bank reporting a decrease of \$36,700,000 in its gold reserves. Smaller reductions in gold reserves, totaling \$14,600,000 are shown for the Philadelphia, Richmond, Atlanta, Kansas City and San Francisco banks. Chicago reports an increase in its gold reserves of \$19,500,000, Cleveland - an increase of \$16,800,000, Boston - an increase of \$12,900,000 and the three remaining banks an aggregate increase of \$7,600,000.

Holdings of paper secured by Government obligations increased during the week from \$360,200,000 to \$366,800,000. Of the total held on May 23, \$201,500,000, or 55 per cent, were secured by United States bonds, \$148,100,000, or 40.4 per cent, by Treasury notes and about \$17,000,000, or 4.6 per cent, by Treasury certificates, compared with \$204,800,000, \$142,700,000 and \$10,600,000 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	
	May 16, 1923	May 24, 1922
Total reserves	+ 6.7	+ 52.5
Gold reserves	+ 5.4	+ 85.6
Total earning assets	+ 10.3	- 10.6
Discounted bills, total	+ 3.0	+ 213.1
Secured by U. S. Government obligations	+ 6.6	+ 185.7
Other bills discounted	- 3.6	+ 27.4
Purchased bills	- 10.8	+ 165.5
United States securities, total	+ 18.1	- 389.3
Bonds and notes	- .8	- 90.1
U. S. Certificates of indebtedness	+ 18.9	- 299.2
Total deposits	- 7.4	+ 69.1
Members' reserve deposits	+ 22.6	+ 107.8
Government deposits	- 49.7	- 54.1
Other deposits	+ 19.7	+ 15.4
Federal Reserve notes in circulation	- 5.3	+ 99.5
F. R. Bank notes in circulation - net liability	- .2	- 70.0

RESOURCES AND LIABILITIES
OF THE TWELVE FEDERAL RESERVE BANKS COMBINED.

(In thousands of dollars)

	May 23, 1923	May 16, 1923	May 24, 1922
RESOURCES			
Gold and gold certificates	347,320	344,043	326,412
Gold settlement fund - F. R. Board	698,872	686,707	482,937
<u>Total gold held by banks</u>	<u>1,046,192</u>	<u>1,030,750</u>	<u>809,349</u>
Gold with Federal Reserve Agents	1,993,724	1,999,818	2,141,120
Gold redemption fund	53,379	57,317	57,220
<u>Total gold reserves</u>	<u>3,093,295</u>	<u>3,087,885</u>	<u>3,007,689</u>
Reserves other than gold	94,488	93,166	127,564
<u>Total reserves</u>	<u>3,187,783</u>	<u>3,181,051</u>	<u>3,135,253</u>
Non-reserve cash	68,731	66,642	*
Bills discounted:			
Sec. by U.S. Government obligations	366,803	360,200	181,071
Other bills discounted	333,510	337,131	306,169
Bills bought in open market	270,850	281,609	105,364
<u>Total bills on hand</u>	<u>971,163</u>	<u>978,940</u>	<u>592,604</u>
U. S. bonds and notes	150,890	151,663	240,990
U. S. Certificates of indebtedness	56,069	37,226	355,221
Municipal warrants	55	40	-
<u>Total earning assets</u>	<u>1,178,177</u>	<u>1,167,869</u>	<u>1,188,815</u>
Bank premises	50,932	50,434	40,650
5% Redemption fund against			
F. R. Bank notes	191	191	7,605
Uncollected items	615,373	734,416	501,733
All other resources	14,366 ⁷²	14,057	20,303
<u>TOTAL RESOURCES</u>	<u>5,115,553⁹</u>	<u>5,214,710</u>	<u>4,894,359</u>
LIABILITIES			
Capital paid in	109,278	109,273	104,695
Surplus	218,369	218,369	215,398
Deposits:			
Government	6,332 ⁸	56,057	60,406
Member bank - reserve account	1,930,519	1,907,893	1,822,742
Other deposits	49,429	29,741	34,028
<u>Total deposits</u>	<u>1,986,280⁶</u>	<u>1,993,691</u>	<u>1,917,176</u>
F. R. notes in actual circulation	2,227,700	2,232,999	2,128,230
F. R. Bank notes in circulation -			
net liability	1,653	1,878	71,702
Deferred availability items	554,650	641,510	435,114
All other liabilities	17,623	16,990	22,044
<u>TOTAL LIABILITIES</u>	<u>5,115,553⁹</u>	<u>5,214,710</u>	<u>4,894,359</u>
Ratio of total reserves to deposit and			
F. R. note liabilities combined	75.6%	75.3%	77.5%
Contingent liability on bills purchased			
for foreign correspondents	28,766	28,677	33,844

*Not shown separately prior to January 1923.

RESOURCES AND LIABILITIES OF THE FEDERAL RESERVE BANKS AT CLOSE OF BUSINESS, May 23, 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	17,319	180,082	24,800	12,615	8,610	5,970	51,826	3,449	8,025	3,166	10,656	20,802	347,320
Gold settlement fund - F.R. Board	69,058	225,554	31,027	65,847	24,440	23,873	133,473	23,540	15,959	33,687	8,511	43,903	698,872
Total gold held by banks	86,377	405,636	55,827	78,462	33,050	29,843	185,299	26,989	23,984	36,853	19,167	64,705	1,046,192
Gold with F. R. Agents	176,640	637,891	159,303	211,212	34,918	90,319	361,869	58,655	46,789	32,026	12,391	171,711	1,993,724
Gold redemption fund	9,480	8,405	7,643	1,513	4,329	2,663	5,912	3,413	1,595	3,411	1,076	3,939	53,379
Total gold reserves	272,497	1,051,932	222,773	291,187	72,297	122,825	553,080	89,057	72,368	72,290	32,634	240,355	3,093,295
Reserves other than gold	7,990	18,742	4,132	6,053	6,631	7,451	13,707	17,555	757	3,388	4,477	3,605	94,488
Total reserves	280,487	1,070,674	226,905	297,240	78,928	130,276	566,787	106,612	73,125	75,678	37,111	243,960	3,187,783
Non-reserve cash	11,670	10,385	4,571	3,383	2,266	7,474	7,510	4,533	1,989	3,665	4,378	6,907	68,731
Bills discounted:													
Secured by U.S. Govt. obligations	21,607	133,017	42,393	36,050	24,140	3,887	32,949	14,224	5,395	18,774	3,675	30,692	366,803
Other bills discounted	16,520	30,300	24,128	22,088	39,085	26,999	50,829	17,117	20,322	26,305	24,063	35,754	333,510
Bills bought in open market	20,318	73,552	21,125	41,460	2,277	27,179	33,354	10,569	2	129	10,988	29,897	270,850
Total bills on hand	58,445	236,869	87,646	99,598	65,502	58,065	117,132	41,910	25,719	45,208	38,726	96,343	971,163
U. S. bonds and notes	5,702	5,541	24,705	12,304	1,341	556	7,008	14,878	14,874	33,029	3,380	27,572	150,890
U. S. Certificates of indebtedness	237	20,609	348	7,141	-	7	21,444	55	16	188	6,000	24	56,069
Municipal warrants	-	-	55	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	55
Total earning assets	64,384	263,019	112,754	119,043	66,843	58,628	145,584	56,843	40,609	78,425	48,106	123,939	1,178,177
Bank premises	4,434	12,062	715	8,455	2,617	2,524	8,715	955	1,270	4,935	1,942	2,308	50,932
5% Redemption fund against F. R. Bank notes	-	-	-	-	-	-	65	-	-	100	26	-	191
Uncollected items	55,030	128,946	53,790	67,589	53,877	23,163	85,482	36,651	14,549	38,208	20,302	37,786	615,373
All other resources	137	1,559	487	682	410	383	848	282	1,686	1,185	2,234	4,473	14,366
TOTAL RESOURCES	416,142	1,486,645	399,222	496,392	204,941	222,448	814,991	205,876	133,228	202,196	114,099	419,373	5,115,553

RESOURCES AND LIABILITIES OF THE FEDERAL RESERVE BANKS AT CLOSE OF BUSINESS MAY 23, 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	8,066	29,169	9,762	12,040	5,720	4,415	15,014	4,933	3,561	4,596	4,197	7,805	109,278
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	572	875	873	376	362	158	455	27	148	907	1,024	555 ⁶¹	6,332 ⁸
Member bank - reserve account	127,730	707,626	114,949	167,164	59,608	55,829	292,137	75,377	48,856	82,066	49,139	150,038	1,930,519
Other deposits	1,449	19,768	1,892	2,634	1,359	743	6,385	2,921	2,456	5,284	623	3,915 ⁴	49,429
Total deposits	129,751	728,269	117,714	170,174	61,329	56,730	298,977	78,325	51,460	88,257	50,786	154,508 ⁴	1,986,280 ⁶
F. R. notes in actual circulation	207,219	559,876	202,253	229,283	77,653	133,802	396,773	75,376	55,092	60,589	27,195	202,589	2,227,700
F. R. Bank notes in circulation - net liability	-	-	-	-	-	-	529	-	-	733	391	-	1,653
Deferred availability items	54,011	105,667	49,497	59,884	48,102	17,622	71,508	36,597	14,510	37,646	22,117	37,489	554,650
All other liabilities	783	3,864	1,247	1,516	849	937	1,792	980	1,132	887	1,917	1,719	17,623
TOTAL LIABILITIES	416,142	1,486,645	399,222	496,392	204,941	222,448	814,991	205,876	133,228	202,196	114,099	419,373 ⁹	5,115,553 ⁹
Ratio of total reserves to deposit and F. R. note liabilities combined, per cent	83.2	83.1	70.9	74.4	56.8	68.4	81.5	69.4	68.6	50.8	47.6	68.3	75.6
Contingent liability on bills purchased for foreign correspondents	2,152	7,848	2,468	3,099	1,492	1,176	3,988	1,263	976	1,234	1,033	2,037	28,766
FEDERAL RESERVE NOTES OUTSTANDING AND IN ACTUAL CIRCULATION													
F. R. notes outstanding	224,577	730,259	235,571	247,529	86,587	138,665	447,504	94,859	58,972	68,820	30,661	243,234	2,607,238
F. R. notes held by banks	17,358	170,383	33,318	18,246	8,934	4,863	50,731	19,483	3,880	8,231	3,466	40,645	379,538
F. R. notes in actual circulation	207,219	559,876	202,253	229,283	77,653	133,802	396,773	75,376	55,092	60,589	27,195	202,589	2,227,700
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	472,296	58,737	83,542	46,941	38,169	628	700,313						
Bills bought in open market	86,329	65,035	83,348	27,444	8,694	-	270,850						
U. S. Certificates of indebtedness	22,120	2,151	-	-	1,646	30,143	56,069						
Municipal warrants	-	-	-	-	-	-	55						

FEDERAL RESERVE AGENTS' ACCOUNTS AT CLOSE OF BUSINESS, MAY 23, 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	87,950	318,340	44,600	31,700	30,030	79,673	108,500	25,940	10,947	27,563	19,394	56,400	841,037
Federal Reserve notes outstanding	224,577	730,259	235,571	247,529	86,587	138,665	447,504	94,859	58,972	68,820	30,661	243,234	2,607,238
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	13,340	31,360	14,914	12,937	3,123	4,919	16,225	3,275	1,737	3,666	1,930	15,892	123,318
Gold fund - F. R. Board	138,000	371,000	137,389	185,000	31,795	83,000	345,644	43,500	32,000	28,360	4,000	155,819	1,555,507
Eligible paper -													
Amount required	47,937	92,368	76,268	36,317	51,669	48,346	85,635	36,204	12,183	36,794	18,270	71,523	613,514
Excess amount held	10,508	121,455	2,203	62,907	11,756	9,590	31,491	5,483	8,068	8,400	20,407	24,113	316,381
TOTAL	547,612	1,900,313	517,945	589,665	214,960	366,593	1,034,999	221,141	136,959	173,603	101,123	566,981	6,371,894
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L I A B I L I T I E S													
Net amount of Federal Reserve notes received from Comptroller of the Currency	312,527	1,048,599	280,171	279,229	116,617	218,338	556,004	120,799	69,919	96,383	50,055	299,634	3,448,275
Collateral received from Federal Reserve Bank:													
Gold	176,640	637,891	159,303	211,212	34,918	90,319	361,869	58,655	46,789	32,026	12,391	171,711	1,993,724
Eligible paper	58,445	213,823	78,471	99,224	63,425	57,936	117,126	41,687	20,251	45,194	38,677	95,636	927,895
TOTAL	547,612	1,900,313	517,945	589,665	214,960	366,593	1,034,999	221,141	136,959	173,603	101,123	566,981	6,371,894
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