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CONDITION OF FEDERAL RESERVE BANKS

During the week ended December 1 member bank reserve balances decreased \$43,000,000. Reductions in member bank reserves arose from increases of \$64,000,000 in Treasury deposits with Federal Reserve banks and \$14,000,000 in money in circulation, offset in part by increases of \$7,000,000 in Reserve bank credit and \$2,000,000 in Treasury currency and a decrease of \$26,000,000 in nonmember deposits and other Federal Reserve accounts. Excess reserves of member banks on December 1 were estimated to be approximately \$1,120,000,000, a decrease of \$20,000,000 for the week. Inactive gold included in the gold stock and Treasury cash amounted to \$1,243,000,000 on December 1, an increase of \$1,000,000 for the week.

Changes in member bank reserve balances and related items during the week and the year ended December 1, 1937, were as follows:

		Increase or decr since						
	Dec. 1 1937	Nov. 24 1937,	Dec. 2 1936					
	(In mi	llions of dolla	ars)					
Bills discounted Bills bought U. S. Government securities Industrial advances (not including 13 mill)	17 3 2,564	+1	+11 +134					
commitments - December 1) Other Reserve bank credit	18 *	-1 +6	-8 -2					
Total Reserve bank credit Gold stock Treasury currency	2,603 12,774 2,621	+7 +2	+136 +1,586 +99					
Member bank reserve balances Money in circulation Treasury cash Treasury deposits with F.R. banks Nonmember deposits and other F.R. accounts	6,906 6,568 3,627 177 720	-43 +14 +1 +64 -26	+131 +102 +1,274 +67 +248					

*Less than \$500,000.

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ASSETS AND LIABILITIES OF THE TWELVE FEDERAL RESERVE BANKS COMBINED

(In thousands of dollars)

	Dec. 1, 1937	Nov. 24,1937	Dec. 2, 1936
ASSETS			
Gold certificates on hand and due from U. S. Treasury	9,121,905 9,787 322,264 9,453,956	9,122,402 9,940 319,183 9,451,525	8,811,021 11,407 246,357 9,068,785
Bills discounted: Secured by U.S.Gov't obligations, direct or fully guaranteed Other bills discounted Total bills discounted Bills bought in open market Industrial advances U. S. Government securities:	12,072 4,961 17,033 2,828 18,464	11,597 4,266 15,863 2,828 18,589	4,351 1,987 6,338 3,087 25,696
Bonds Treasury notes Treasury bills Total U.S. Government securities	738,073 1,168,463 657,479 2,564,015	738,073 1,168,463 <u>657,479</u> 2,564,015	381,326 1,449,163 599,738 2,430,227
Total bills and securities	2,602,340 178 25,784 670,245 45,268	2,601,295 178 25,892 589,718 45,344	2,465,348 221 23,823 651,945 48,066
All other assets	<u>44,161</u> 12,841,932	43,850 12,757,802	43,285 12,3 0 1,473
LIABILITIES			
F. R. notes in actual circulation Deposits:	4,279,489	4,264,829	4,202,799
Member bank - reserve account U. S. Treasurer - General account Foreign bank	6,906,472 176,637 272,492 186,855	6,948,927 113,302 270,068 214,742	6,775,236 109,628 59,405 152,320
Total deposits	7,542,456	7,547,039	7 , 096 , 589
Deferred availability items Capital paid in Surplus (Section 7) Surplus (Section 13 b) Reserve for contingencies All other liabilities	669,928 132,518 145,854 27,615 35,734 8,338	595,428 132,505 145,854 27,615 35,709 8,823	650,064 130,275 145,501 27,088 34,251 14,906
TOTAL LIABILITIES	12,841,932	12,757,802	12,301,473
Ratio of total reserves to deposit and F. R. note liabilities combined Contingent liability on bills purchased	80.0%	80.0%	80.3%
for foreign correspondents	1,888	2,169	
Commitments to make industrial advances	13,249	13,316	21,544

ASSETS AND LIABILITIES OF THE FEDERAL RESERVE BANKS ON DECEMBER 1, 1937 (In thousands of dollars)

ASSETS

	Total	Boston	New York	Phila.	Cleve	Rich.	Atlanta	Chicago	St.Louis	Minn.	Kans.Cy.	Dallas	San Fran.
Gold certificates on hand and due from U. S. Treasury Redemption fund - F. R. notes Other cash	9,787	478,990 908 31,4%	3,559,741 1,624 77,368	481,938 752 22,526	675,916 873 24,377	669	1,648	1,759,709 421 39,601	841	188,737 469 9,152	78	190,070 261 13,587	696,057 1,243 32,194
Total reserves	9,453,956	511,394	3 , 638 , 733	505,216	701,166	338,450	233,396	1,799,731	290,479	198,358	303,621	203,918	729,494
Bills discounted: Secured by U.S.Cov't obligati direct or fully guaranteed Other bills discounted	.ons, 12,072 4,%1	828 495	3,120 457	2,639 493	840 175	392 183			510 22	50 21.4	139 703	282 181	385
Total bills discounted	17,033	1,323	3 , 577	3,132	1,015	575	4 , 585	340	532	264	842	463	385
Bills bought in open market Industrial advances U. S. Government securities:	2,828 18,464	205 2 , 842	1,007 4,605	293 3 , 601	269 77 9	110 1,809	99 136	353 753	78 2 3 9	54 688	80 477	80 1 , 00 <i>5</i>	200 1,530
Bonds Treasury notes Treasury bills	738,073 1,168,463 657,479	85,125	212,930 337,095 189,679	98,823	71,847 113,742 64,002	61,247	51,150	81,173 128,508 72,310	51,260	23,895 37,829 21,285	<i>5</i> 7 , 085	45,448	63,894 101,151 56,917
Total U.S.Govt. securities	2,564,015	186,794	739,704	216,853	249 , 591	134,396	112,238	281.991	112,483	83,009	125,263	99,731	221,962
Total bills and securities	2,602,340	191,164	748,893	223,879	251,654	136,890	117,058	283,437	113,332	84,015	126,662	101,279	224,077
Due from foreign banks F. R. notes of other banks Uncollected items Bank premises All other assets	178 25,784 670,245 45, 2 68 44,161	13 547 69,161 3,006	68 5,967 169,390 9,969 12,940	18 817 52,745 4,836 4,902	16 1,281 61,894 6,228 4,677	8 3,384 60,977 2,709 2,663			3 1,837 27,423 2,345 1,646	2 1,522 30,622 1,508 1,537	5 992 37,222 3,159 1,895	5 504 24,859 1,356 1,634	13 3,392 37,740 3,355 3,870
TOTAL ASSETS	12,841,932	777,922	4,585,960	792,413	1,026,916	545,081	379,395	2,180,564	437,065	307,564	473,556	333,555]	,001,941

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ASSETS AND LIABILITIES OF THE FEDERAL RESERVE BANKS ON DECEMBER 1, 1937 (In thousands of dollars)

LIABILITIES

	Total	Boston	New York	Phila.	Cleve.	Ric	h. At	tlanta	Chicago S	t.Louis	Minn. K	lans.Cy. 1	Dallas S	an Fran.
F.R.notes in actual circulation	4,279,489	285,151	954,736	319,791	433,14	49 213,	,703	162,773	988,778	180,738	138,684	168,307	89,404	344,275
Deposits: Member bank - reserve account U.S.Treasurer - General accoun Foreign bank Other deposits	6,906,472 t 176,637 272,492 186,855	4,093	3,018,691 92,101 98,900 133,382	3,136 26,623	452,61 10,99 24,99 10,82	96 10 93 11	,425 ,318 ,682 ,394	167,628 3,090 9,508 2,036	1,006,400 20,542 31,513 1,509	197,782 6,156 8,150 5,131	125,254 5,516 6,248 2,620	9,073	192,346 3,387 7,878 1,825	548,740 8,229 19,288 17,972
Total deposits	7,542,456	399,050	3,343,074	387,796	499,4	24 256	,819	182,262	1,059,964	217,219	139,638	257,545	205,436	594,229
Deferred availability items Capital paid in Surplus (Section 7) Surplus (Section 13 b) Reserve for contingencies All other liabilities	669,928 132,518 145,854 27,615 35,734 8,338	2,874	166,374 51,045 51,474 7,744 9,117 2,396	12,262 13,362 4,325 3,000	62,23 12,94 14,33 1,00 3,12	46 4 23 4 27 3 21 1	,585 ,885 ,869 ,422 ,497	21,494 4,392 5,616 754 1,715 389	86,956 12,902 21,504 1,416 7,694 1,350	28,564 3,843 4,655 545 1,175 326	2,892	4,070 3,613	27,567 3,877 3,851 1,262 1,847 311	38,919 10,021 9,645 2,121 2,037 694
TOTAL LIABILITIES	12,841,932	777,922	4,585,960	792,413	1,026,9	16 545	,081	379 , 395	2,180,564	437,065	307,564	473,556	333 , 555	, 001,941
Contingent liability on bills p for foreign correspondents Commitments to make industrial	ourchased 1,888	138	682	185	1′	74	81	66	219	56	43		55	134
advances	13,249	1,771	4,775	136	83	12 1	, 658	350	10	183	51	114	269	3,120
					MATU	RITY D	ISTR	IBUTION (OF BILLS A	nd secur	ITIES			
	Tota		hin 16 ays 30 d		l to days	61 to 90 day		91 days 6 month			Year 2 Years	2 Ye to 5		Over Years
Bills discounted Bills bought Industrial advances U. S. Government securities	17,0] 2,8; 18,44 2,564,0]	28 64 1	,091	478 ,451 ,244 ,783 5'	604 751 7,681	38; 79; 80; 147 , 816	1 2	1,367 414,467			4,804 211,298	5, 640,	,739 ,915	 687,240

FEDERAL RESERVE NOTE STATEMENT ON DECEMBER 1, 1937 (In thousands of dollars)

	Total	Bosto	n Ne	w York	Ph	ila.	Cleve.	Rich.	At]	lanta	Chicago &	St.Louis	Minn.	Kans.Cy. D	allas Sa	n Fran.
Federal Reserve notes: Issued to F. R. bank by F.R. agent Held by Federal Reserve bank														01 177,326 .7 9,019		
In actual circulation	4,279,	489 28	5,151	954,	736	319,79	L 433,149	213,7	703	162 , 773	988,77	8 180,738	3 138,68	168,307	89,404	344,275
Collateral held by agent as security for notes issued to bank:																
Gold certificates on hand and due from U. S. Treasury Eligible paper U. S. Gov't securities	4,645,6 16,4 20,0	450	1,000 1,323		000 517 -				100 160 	162,000 4,349 20,000	34			00 180,000 79 813	99,500 463	399,000 385
Total collateral	4,682,0	082 34	2,323	1,073,	517	339,97	4 463,515	227,5	60	186,349	1,020,34	0 201,164	147,17	9 180,813	99,963	399,385