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CONDITION OF FEDERAL RESERVE BANKS

During the week ended April 20 member bank reserve balances increased \$75,000,000. Additions to member bank reserves arose from decreases of \$1,378,000,000 in Treasury cash and \$19,000,000 in money in circulation and increases of \$16,000,000 in gold stock and \$5,000,000 in Treasury currency, offset in part by increase of \$1,287,000,000 in Treasury deposits with Federal Reserve banks and \$37,000,000 in nonmember deposits and other Federal Reserve accounts, and a decrease of \$19,000,000 in Reserve bank credit. Following a decrease of approximately 13½ percent in reserve requirements of member banks, which became effective April 16, aggregate required reserves of member banks decreased about \$690,000,000 during the week ended April 20, and excess reserves increased from approximately \$1,730,000,000 on April 13 to \$2,490,000,000 on April 20. During the week the \$1,183,000,000 held by the Treasury in the inactive gold account was deposited in the Federal Reserve banks.

Principal changes in Federal Reserve bank holdings of bills and securities were a decrease of \$108,000,000 in United States Treasury bonds and increases of \$19,000,000 in Treasury notes and \$89,000,000 in Treasury bills.

Changes in member bank reserve balances and related items during the week and the year ended April 20, 1938, were as follows:

Increase or decrease since

| | April 20 1938 | April 13 1938 | April 21 1937 |
|--|--|--------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| | (In | millions of | dollars) |
| Bills discounted Bills bought U. S. Government securities Industrial advances (not including 13 million | 10 1 2,564 | -3 | +2 -2 +77 |
| commitments - April 20) Other Reserve bank credit | 17 - 8 | 16 | -6 -10 |
| Total Reserve bank credit Gold stock Treasury currency | 2,583 12,841 2,688 | - 19 +16 +5 | +60 +1,104 +148 |
| Member bank reserve balances Money in circulation Treasury cash Treasury deposits with F. R. banks Nonmember deposits and other F. R. accounts | 7,547 6,3 6 1 2,164 1,428 612 | | +670 -27 -750 +1,309 +108 |

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ASSETS AND LIABILITIES OF THE TWELVE FEDERAL RESERVE BANKS COMBINED

(In thousands of dollars)

| | Apr. 20, 1938 | Apr. 13, 1938 | Apr. 21.1937 |
|---|---|--|--|
| ASSETS | | | |
| Gold certificates on hand and due from U. S. Treasury | 10,642,413 8,860 452,812 11,104,085 | 9,245,002 9,140 <u>452,036</u> 9,706,178 | 8,843,903 9,776 <u>282,306</u> 9,135,985 |
| Bills discounted: Secured by U.S.Gov't obligations, direct or fully guaranteed Other bills discounted Total bills discounted | 6,472 3,068 9,540 | 9,730 3,194 12,924 | 6,260 1,432 7,692 |
| Bills bought in open market Industrial advances U.S. Government securities: | 550 17 , 056 | 550 16,887 | 3,465 23,084 |
| Bonds | 677,831 1,179,171 <u>707,013</u> | 785,588 1,160,691 617,736 | 688,621 1,174,343 623,619 |
| Total U.S. Government securities . | 2,564,015 | 2,564,015 | 2,486,583 |
| Total bills and securities | 2,591,161 | 2,594,376 | 2,520,824 |
| Due from foreign banks | 170 19,952 578,264 44,804 44,400 | 170 16,632 663,496 44,806 47,978 | 230 23,904 693,276 45,869 43,944 |
| TOTAL ASSETS | 14,382,836 | 13,073,636 | 12,464,032 |
| LIABILITIES | | | |
| F. R. notes in actual circulation . Deposits: | 4,120,798 | 4 , 136 ,8 06 | 4,184,068 |
| Member bank - reserve account U.S.Treasurer - General account . Foreign bank | 7,547,076 1,427,718 135,486 213,212 | 7,472,143 140,874 118,010 198,604 | 6,876,640 118,631 99,234 145,730 |
| Total deposits | 9 , 323,492 | 7,929,631 | 7,240,285 |
| Deferred availability items Capital paid in Surplus (Section 7) Surplus (Section 1.3 b) Reserve for contingencies All other liabilities | 586,356 133,489 147,739 27,683 32,915 10,364 | 655,841 133,495 147,739 27,683 32,950 9,491 | 691,279 132,136 145,854 27,490 36,142 6,728 |
| TOTAL LIABILITIES | 14,382,836 | 13,073,636 | 12,464,032 |
| Ratio of total reserves to deposit and F. R. note liabilities combined Contingent liability on bills purchase | 82 .6 % | 80.4% | 80.0% |
| for foreign correspondents | 1,103 | 523 | ana 640 |
| Commitments to make industrial advance | es 12,825 | 12,982 | 17,530 |

ASSETS AND LIABILITIES OF THE FEDERAL RESERVE BANKS ON APRIL 20, 1938 (In thousands of dollars)

ASSETS

| | Total | Boston | New York | Phila. | Cleve | e. Rich. | Atlanta | Chicago | St.Lowis | 'Minn. | Kans.Cy. | Dallas | San Fran. |
|--|--|------------------------------|---|---|---|--|-----------------------------------|---|--|--|--------------------------|--------------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Gold certificates on hand and due from U. S. Treasury Redemption fund - F.R. notes Other cash | 10,642,413 8,860 452,812 | 374 | 1,256 | 759 | 450 | 292,250 723 30,289 | 1,126 | 1,953,871 445 67,294 | 594 | 207,071 909 9,269 | 360 | 430 | 798,055 1,434 38,931 |
| Total reserves | 11,104,085 | 608,048 | 4,624,690 | 580,670 | 762 , 925 | 323,262 | 266,015 | 2,021,610 | 323,277 | 217,249 | 320,473 | 217,446 | 838,420 |
| Bills discounted: Secured by U.S.Gov't obligat direct or fully guaranteed Other bills discounted | cions, 6,472 3,068 | | 2 , 332 321 | 1 , 112 719 | 535 195 | 686 346 | 338 414 | 200 15 | 111 40 | - - 42 | 122 295 | 72 211 | 183 312 |
| Total bills discounted | 9,540 | 9 3 9 | 2 , 653 | 1,831 | 730 | 1,032 | 752 | 2 1 5 | 151 | 42 | 417 | 283 | 495 |
| Bills bought in open market Industrial advances U. S. Government securities: | 550 17 , 056 | 4 <u>1</u> 2 , 495 | 21 <i>5</i> 4 , 636 | 56 3 , 166 | 51 845 | 24 1 , 738 | 19 119 | 68 682 | 3 160 | 2 551 | | 16 907 | 39 1 , 301 |
| Bonds Treasury notes Treasury bills | 677,831 1,179,171 707,013 | 85,063 | 197,177 343,012 205,666 | 96,820 | 65,000 113,078 67,799 | 37,006 64,374 38,599 | 51,240 | 73,292 127,500 76,447 | 54,829 | 23,363 40,643 24,369 | 57,315 | 25,718 44,740 26,825 | 57,804 100,557 60,293 |
| Total U.S.Govit securities | 2,564,015 | 184,962 | 74 5, 855 | 210,528 | 245,877 | 139,979 | 111,416 | 277,239 | 119,220 | 88,375 | 124,627 | 97,283 | 218,654 |
| Total bills and securities | 2 , 591 , 161 | 188,437 | 753 ,35 9 | 215,581 | 247,503 | 142,773 | 112,306 | 278,204 | 119,534 | 88,970 | 125,516 | 98,489 | 220,489 |
| Due from foreign banks F. R. notes of other banks Uncollected items Bank premises All other assets | 170 19,952 578,264 44,804 44,400 | 2,987 | 65 4,369 148,683 9,923 13,092 | 17 1,080 48,153 4,794 4,186 | 16 1,331 57,488 6,177 4,858 | 7 1,718 47,863 2,680 2,736 | 22 , 738 2 , 106 | 21 2,679 75,103 4,558 4,083 | 2 1,418 24,955 2,329 1,808 | 2 1,351 16,566 1,506 1,592 | 1,256 28,058 3,136 | 5 516 22,898 1,288 1,571 | |
| TOTAL ASSETS | 14,382,836 | 859,000 | 5,554,181 | 854,481 | 1,080,298 | 521,039 | 406,926 | 2,386,258 | 473,323 | 327,236 | 480,392 | 342,213 | 1,097,489 |

ASSETS AND LIABILITIES OF THE FEDERAL RESERVE BANKS ON APRIL 20, 1938 (In thousands of dollars)

LIABILITIES

| | Total | Boston | New York | Phila. | \mathtt{Cleve}_ullet | Rich. A | tlanta | Chicago S | t.Louis | Minn. K | ans.Cy. 1 | Dall a s Sa | n Fran. |
|--|---|--|---|--------------------|--|--------------------------|---------------------------------|-------------------------------------|---------------------------------|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------------|-------------------------|---|
| F.R.notes in actual circulation Deposits: | 4,120,798 | 311,738 | 903,230 | 307,366 | 409,337 | 191,226 | 148,570 | 962,802 | 177,079 | 136,931 | 165,364 | 78 , 589 | 328,566 |
| Member bank - reserve account U.S.Treasurer - General accoun | t 1,427,718 | 42,909 | 652,865 | 45,900 | 51 ,15 0 | 49,569 | 46,683 | | 49,374 | 48,025 | 44,982 | <i>5</i> 0 , 096 | 552,910 137,227 |
| Foreign bank Other deposits | 135,486 213,212 | 9,745 5,620 | 48,732 167,432 | | 12,451 7,452 | | | | | 3,113 2,975 | | 3,925 2,034 | 9,609 12,578 |
| Total deposits | 9,323,492 | 472,247 | 4,378,832 | 465,765 | 580 , 552 | 267,755 | 222,326 | 1,300,445 | 259,048 | 164,249 | 274,226 | 225,723 | 712,324 |
| Deferred availability items Capital paid in Surplus (Section 7) Surplus (Section 13 b) Reserve for contingencies | 586,356 133,489 147,739 27,683 32,915 | 50,625 9,405 9,900 2,874 1,448 | 150,439 50,946 51,943 7,744 8,210 | 12,269 13,466 | 57,560 13,357 14,323 1,007 3,177 | 46,851 4,949 4,964 | 22,966 4,451 5,626 730 | 77,651 13,080 22,387 1,429 | 26,486 3,897 4,667 545 | 16,558 2,903 3,153 1,001 | 30,470 4,145 3,613 1,142 | | 31,709 10,149 9,805 2,121 2,000 |
| All other liabilities | 10,364 | 763 | 2,837 | 843 | 985 | 484 | 654 | | | 519 | | 345 | 815 |
| TOTAL LIABILITIES | 14,382,836 | 859,000 | 5 , 554 , 181 | 854,481 | 1,080,298 | <i>52</i> 1 , 039 | 406,926 | 2 ,3 86,258 | 473,323 | 327 , 2 3 6 | 480 , 392 | 342 , 213 | 1,097,489 |
| Contingent liability on bills p chased for foreign corresponde Commitments to make industrial | | 80 | 396 | 108 | 102 | 47 | 39 | 131 | 33 | 25 | 32 | 32 | 78 |
| advances | 12,825 | 1,447 | 4 , 055 | 121 | 1,517 | 1,507 | 181 | | 489 | 40 | 295 | 268 | 2 , 905 |
| | | | | | MATURITY | DISTRIB | UTION OF | BILLS AN | D SECURI | TIES | | | |
| | Tota | With 1 15 da | | - | | l to days | 91 days 6 month | | | 1 Year o 2 Year | | Years Years | Over 5 Years |
| Bills discounted Bills bought | 9 , 540 550 | | | 2 80 L78 | 5 8 9 75 | 547 | 2 | 83 - | 11 | , | | | |
| , Industrial advances U. S. Government securities | 17,056 2,564,015 | 1,6 | 69] | L 53 | <i>5</i> 70 | 496 5 , 169 | 199 144 ₉ 0 | | ,584 ,351 | 6,68, 366,69 | | 1,970 3, <i>5</i> 69 | 616 , 683 |

FEDERAL RESERVE NOTE STATEMENT ON APRIL 20, 1938 (In thousands of dollars)

| | Total | Boston | New York | Phila. | ${\tt Cleve}_ullet$ | Rich. | Atlanta | Chicago St | •Louis | Minn. K | ans.Cy. I | allas Sa | ın Fran. |
|---|--------------------|------------------|--------------------|------------------------------------|---------------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------|--------------------|------------------------------------|------------------------------------|-------------------------|------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| Federal Reserve notes: Issued to F.R. bank by F.R. agent Held by Federal Reserve bank | | | 1,004,912 | | | | 165,176 16,606 | | | 141 , 583 4 , 652 | | 88,479 9,890 | 374 , 079 45 , 513 |
| In actual circulation | 4,120,798 | 311 , 738 | 903,230 | 307 , 366 | 409,337 | 191,226 | 148,570 | 962 , 802 I | 1 7 7 , 0 7 9 | 136,931 | 165, 364 | 7 8,589 | 328 , 566 |
| Collateral held by agent as security for notes issued to bank: | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Gold certificates on hand and due from U. S. Treasury Eligible paper | 4,527,632 8,472 | - , | 1,015,000 2,588 | 337 , 000 1 , 405 | 438 , 000 <i>57</i> 0 | 205 ,0 00 972 | | 1,000,000 1 | 191 , 632 111 | 143 , 500 42 | 177 ,0 00 406 | 9 1, 500 280 | 404 , 000 488 |
| <u>Total</u> <u>collateral</u> | 4,536,104 | 356,880 | 1,017,588 | 338 , 405 | 438,570 | 205,972 | 169,520 | 1,000,210 | 191,743 | 143,542 | 177,406 | 91,780 | 404,488 |