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CONDITION OF FEDERAL RESERVE BANKS

During the week ended December 7 member bank reserve balances increased \$90,000,000. Additions to member bank reserves arose from decreases of \$77,000,000 in Treasury deposits with Federal Reserve banks and \$8,000,000 in Treasury cash and increases of \$55,000,000 in gold stock and \$7,000,000 in Reserve bank credit, offset in part by an increase of \$56,000,000 in money in circulation. Excess reserves of member banks on December 7 were estimated to be approximately \$3,440,000,000, an increase of \$60,000,000 for the week.

Changes in member bank reserve balances and related items during the week and the year ended December 7, 1938, were as follows:

	Dec. 7, 1938	Nov. 30, 1938	Dec. 8, 1937
	Increase or decrease since		
	(In millions of dollars)		
Bills discounted	6	- 1	- 11
Bills bought	1	--	- 2
U. S. Government securities	2,564	--	--
Industrial advances (not including 15 million commitments - December 7)	15	- 1	- 3
Other Reserve bank credit	5	+ 8	4
 Total Reserve bank credit	 2,591	 + 7	 - 21
Gold stock	14,367	+ 55	+ 1,603
Treasury currency	2,775	+ 1	+ 152
 Member bank reserve balances	 8,966	 + 90	 + 2,130
Money in circulation	6,844	+ 56	+ 253
Treasury cash	2,681	- 8	- 941
Treasury deposits with F.R. banks	407	- 77	+ 165
Nonmember deposits and other F.R. accounts	834	+ 1	+ 126

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**ASSETS AND LIABILITIES
OF THE TWELVE FEDERAL RESERVE BANKS COMBINED**

	Increase or decrease since		
	Dec. 7, 1938	Nov. 30, 1938	Dec. 8, 1937
<u>A S S E T S</u>			
Gold certificates on hand and due from U. S. Treasury	11,661,721	+60,004	+2,539,814
Redemption fund - F. R. notes	10,007	- 808	+ 319
Other cash	<u>345,743</u>	<u>-12,197</u>	<u>+34,461</u>
<u>Total reserves</u>	12,017,471	+46,999	+2,574,594
Bills discounted:			
Secured by U.S. Gov't obligations, direct or fully guaranteed	3,655	- 946	- 8,555
Other bills discounted	<u>2,388</u>	<u>- 92</u>	<u>- 2,792</u>
<u>Total bills discounted</u>	6,043	- 1,038	- 11,347
Bills bought in open market	547	—	- 2,278
Industrial advances	15,485	- 336	- 2,965
U. S. Government securities:			
Bonds	787,327	—	+ 49,254
Treasury notes	1,164,565	—	- 3,898
Treasury bills	<u>612,123</u>	<u>—</u>	<u>- 45,356</u>
<u>Total U.S. Government securities</u>	2,564,015	—	—
<u>Total bills and securities</u>	2,586,090	- 1,374	- 16,590
Due from foreign banks	174	—	- 7
F. R. notes of other banks	21,573	- 2,069	- 4,741
Uncollected items	620,779	+ 4,762	+ 51,739
Bank premises	44,117	- 2	- 1,152
All other assets	<u>51,736</u>	<u>+ 660</u>	<u>+ 5,513</u>
TOTAL ASSETS	15,341,940	+48,976	+2,609,356
<u>L I A B I L I T I E S</u>			
F. R. notes in actual circulation	4,422,449	+37,567	+ 127,564
Deposits:			
Member bank - reserve account	8,966,268	+89,787	+2,129,986
U. S. Treasurer - General account	407,377	-76,605	+ 165,534
Foreign bank	210,718	+ 2,621	- 15,220
Other deposits	<u>365,517</u>	<u>- 651</u>	<u>+145,817</u>
<u>Total deposits</u>	9,949,880	+15,152	+2,426,117
Deferred availability items	615,719	- 3,706	+ 55,506
Capital paid in	134,049	+ 17	+ 1,515
Surplus (Section 7)	147,739	—	+ 1,885
Surplus (Section 13 b)	27,683	—	+ 68
Reserve for contingencies	32,671	- 1	- 3,062
All other liabilities	<u>11,750</u>	<u>- 53</u>	<u>- 237</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES	15,341,940	+48,976	+2,609,356
Ratio of total reserves to deposit and F. R. note liabilities combined	83.6%	—	+ 3.7%
Contingent liability on bills purchased for foreign correspondents	76	-164	- 1,607
Commitments to make industrial advances	15,147	+819	+ 2,010

ASSETS AND LIABILITIES OF THE FEDERAL RESERVE BANKS ON DECEMBER 7, 1938
(In thousands of dollars)

<u>A S S E T S</u>	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	11,661,721	661,673	5,109,042	514,203	732,811	350,364	265,275	2,171,231	325,394	253,698	313,667	199,644	764,719
Redemption fund - F.R. notes	10,007	389	1,484	1,319	904	575	629	736	875	618	533	202	1,743
Other cash	345,743	36,708	99,100	24,847	20,588	19,963	13,118	48,027	19,274	7,135	15,046	13,055	28,882
<u>Total reserves</u>	12,017,471	698,770	5,209,626	540,369	754,303	370,902	279,022	2,219,994	345,543	261,451	329,246	212,901	795,344
Bills discounted:													
Secured by U.S. Gov't obligations, direct or fully guaranteed	3,655	177	1,368	767	206	158	203	48	286	108	110	14	210
Other bills discounted	2,388	—	300	601	273	65	227	119	64	147	533	55	4
<u>Total bills discounted</u>	6,043	177	1,668	1,368	479	223	430	167	350	255	643	69	214
Bills bought in open market	547	41	214	56	50	24	19	68	2	2	16	16	39
Industrial advances	15,485	2,167	3,587	3,171	616	1,344	797	415	44	987	270	763	1,324
U. S. Government securities:													
Bonds	787,327	59,255	250,391	68,403	79,168	36,947	32,096	84,870	32,792	17,446	34,774	28,943	62,242
Treasury notes	1,164,565	87,647	370,360	101,177	117,101	54,649	47,473	125,535	48,504	25,805	51,438	42,812	92,064
Treasury bills	612,123	46,069	194,671	53,181	61,551	28,725	24,953	65,984	25,495	13,564	27,036	22,503	48,391
<u>Total U.S. Gov't securities</u>	2,564,015	192,971	815,422	222,761	257,820	120,321	104,522	276,389	106,791	56,815	113,248	94,258	202,697
<u>Total bills and securities</u>	2,586,090	195,356	820,891	227,356	258,965	121,912	105,768	277,039	107,187	58,059	114,177	95,106	204,274
Due from foreign banks	174	13	66	17	16	8	6	21	3	2	5	5	12
F.R. notes of other banks	21,573	650	4,950	886	1,181	1,556	1,711	2,538	1,890	1,353	1,006	441	3,411
Uncollected items	620,779	60,648	174,192	45,864	64,147	50,484	21,645	75,734	27,155	15,865	28,803	23,187	33,055
Bank premises	44,117	2,950	9,791	4,710	6,029	2,627	2,080	4,490	2,297	1,536	3,091	1,264	3,252
All other assets	51,736	3,359	15,988	5,021	5,696	2,901	2,388	4,997	1,966	1,262	2,072	1,862	4,224
<u>TOTAL ASSETS</u>	15,341,940	961,746	6,235,504	824,223	1,090,337	550,390	412,620	2,584,813	486,041	339,528	478,400	334,766	1,043,572

ASSETS AND LIABILITIES OF THE FEDERAL RESERVE BANKS ON DECEMBER 7, 1938
(In thousands of dollars)

<u>L I A B I L I T I E S</u>													
	Total	Boston	New York	Phila.	Cleve.	Rich.	Atlanta	Chicago	St.Louis	Minn.	Kans.Cy.	Dallas	San Fran.
F.R.notes in actual circulation	4,422,449	387,298	1,014,943	319,173	424,425	210,298	149,856	988,013	182,191	137,415	170,547	81,328	356,962
Deposits:													
Member bank - reserve account	8,966,268	425,403	4,580,040	367,926	503,305	236,219	176,920	1,341,830	223,262	122,802	235,214	176,458	576,889
U.S.Treasurer - General account	407,377	23,738	55,467	28,394	33,639	25,961	39,379	48,866	29,559	44,175	24,141	32,121	21,937
Foreign bank	210,718	14,827	78,715	20,181	18,946	8,855	7,208	24,506	6,178	4,737	5,972	5,972	14,621
Other deposits	365,517	27,484	217,281	7,970	13,444	4,284	4,645	59,015	5,618	5,062	1,136	2,342	17,234
<u>Total deposits</u>	<u>9,949,880</u>	<u>491,452</u>	<u>4,931,503</u>	<u>424,471</u>	<u>569,334</u>	<u>275,319</u>	<u>228,152</u>	<u>1,474,217</u>	<u>264,617</u>	<u>176,776</u>	<u>266,465</u>	<u>216,893</u>	<u>630,681</u>
Deferred availability items	615,719	58,562	166,444	47,277	63,655	49,590	21,500	76,966	28,517	15,960	31,120	25,356	30,772
Capital paid in	134,049	9,412	50,906	12,213	13,395	4,997	4,474	13,320	3,926	2,904	4,201	3,953	10,348
Surplus (Section 7)	147,739	9,900	51,943	13,466	14,323	4,964	5,626	22,387	4,667	3,153	3,613	3,392	9,805
Surplus (Section 13 b)	27,683	2,874	7,744	4,411	1,007	3,409	730	1,429	545	1,001	1,142	1,270	2,121
Reserve for contingencies	32,671	1,448	8,210	2,000	3,176	1,401	1,602	7,035	1,215	1,873	935	1,776	2,000
All other liabilities	11,750	300	3,811	1,212	1,022	412	680	1,446	363	446	377	298	883
TOTAL LIABILITIES	15,341,940	961,746	6,235,504	824,223	1,090,337	550,390	412,620	2,584,813	486,041	339,528	478,400	334,766	1,043,572
Contingent liability on bills purchased for foreign correspondents	76	6	27	7	7	3	3	9	2	2	2	2	6
Commitments to make industrial advances	15,147	1,320	3,411	1,479	2,218	1,482	159	58	525	216	562	50	3,667
<u>M A T U R I T Y D I S T R I B U T I O N O F B I L L S A N D S E C U R I T I E S</u>													
	<u>Total</u>	<u>Within 15 days</u>	<u>16 to 30 days</u>	<u>31 to 60 days</u>	<u>61 to 90 days</u>	<u>91 days to 6 months</u>	<u>6 months to 1 Year</u>	<u>1 Year to 2 Years</u>	<u>2 Years to 5 Years</u>	<u>Over 5 Years</u>			
Bills discounted	6,043	4,687	352	415	166	404	19	—	—	—			
Bills bought	547	—	264	129	154	—	—	—	—	—			
Industrial advances	15,485	1,626	582	753	321	1,277	3,707	4,796	2,423	—			
U.S. Government securities	2,564,015	77,890	99,078	181,032	209,378	128,311	155,663	398,744	607,337	706,582			

FEDERAL RESERVE NOTE STATEMENT ON DECEMBER 7, 1938
(In thousands of dollars)

Total Boston New York Phila. Cleve. Rich. Atlanta Chicago St.Louis Minn. Kans.Cy. Dallas San Fran.

Federal Reserve notes:

Issued to F.R. bank by F.R. agent	4,730,059	403,306	1,123,063	337,183	446,978	221,582	162,152	1,009,590	200,523	142,164	180,160	88,677	414,681
Held by Federal Reserve bank	307,610	16,008	108,120	18,010	22,553	11,284	12,296	21,577	18,332	4,749	9,613	7,349	57,719

In actual circulation 4,422,449 387,298 1,014,943 319,173 424,425 210,298 149,856 988,013 182,191 137,415 170,547 81,328 356,962

Collateral held by agent as security for notes issued to bank:

Gold certificates on hand and due from U. S. Treasury

Eligible paper

4,792,000	410,000	1,135,000	340,000	448,000	225,000	164,000	1,020,000	207,000	143,500	185,000	90,500	424,000
5,156	177	1,614	908	260	223	410	167	336	157	623	67	214

Total collateral 4,797,156 410,177 1,136,614 340,908 448,260 225,223 164,410 1,020,167 207,336 143,657 185,623 90,567 424,214