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CONDITION OF THE FEDERAL RESERVE BANKS

During the week ended December 6 member bank reserve balances decreased \$3,000,000. Reductions in member bank reserves arose from increases of \$83,000,000 in money in circulation, \$32,000,000 in Treasury cash, and \$9,000,000 in nonmember deposits and other Federal Reserve accounts, and a decrease of \$37,000,000 in Reserve bank credit, offset in part by a decrease of \$95,000,000 in Treasury deposits with Federal Reserve banks and increases of \$61,000,000 in gold stock and \$2,000,000 in Treasury currency. Excess reserves of member banks on December 6 were estimated to be approximately \$5,150,000,000, an increase of \$10,000,000 for the week.

The principal change in holdings of bills and securities was a decrease of \$40,000,000 in United States Government securities, direct and guaranteed; holdings of bills decreased \$35,000,000 and of bonds \$5,000,000.

Changes in member bank reserve balances and related items during the week and the year ended December 6, 1939, were as follows:

	Increase or decrease since		
	Dec. 6, 1939	Nov. 29, 1939	Dec. 7, 1938
(In millions of dollars)			
Bills discounted	8	—	+ 2
Bills bought	—	—	- 1
U. S. Gov't securities, direct and guaranteed	2,512	- 40	- 52
Industrial advances (not including 9 million commitments - December 6)	11	—	- 4
Other Reserve bank credit	36	+ 2	+ 31
Total Reserve bank credit	2,568	- 37	- 23
Gold stock	17,408	+ 61	+3,041
Treasury currency	2,949	+ 2	+ 174
Member bank reserve balances	11,617	- 3	+2,651
Money in circulation	7,545	+ 83	+ 701
Treasury cash	2,391	+ 32	- 290
Treasury deposits with F. R. banks	346	- 95	- 61
Nonmember deposits and other F. R. accounts	1,026	+ 9	+ 192

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STATEMENT OF CONDITION
OF THE TWELVE FEDERAL RESERVE BANKS COMBINED
(In thousands of dollars)

		Increase or decrease since	
	Dec. 6, 1939	Nov. 29, 1939	Dec. 7, 1938
<u>A S S E T S</u>			
Gold certificates on hand and due from U. S. Treasury	14,998,315	+ 32,194	+3,336,594
Redemption fund - F. R. notes	9,866	--	- 141
Other cash	290,747	- 30,019	- 54,996
<u>Total reserves</u>	15,298,928	+ 2,175	+3,281,457
Bills discounted:			
Secured by U. S. Gov't obligations, direct and guaranteed	1,657	- 160	- 1,998
Other bills discounted	6,419	+ 210	+ 4,031
<u>Total bills discounted</u>	8,076	+ 50	+ 2,033
Bills bought in open market	--	--	- 547
Industrial advances	11,387	- 6	- 4,098
U. S. Government securities, direct and guaranteed:			
Bonds	1,278,947	- 4,500	+ 491,620
Notes	1,233,225	--	+ 68,660
Bills	--	- 35,425	- 612,123
<u>Total U. S. Government securities, direct and guaranteed</u>	2,512,172	- 39,925	- 51,843
<u>Total bills and securities</u>	2,531,635	- 39,881	- 54,455
Due from foreign banks	47	--	- 127
F. R. notes of other banks	21,614	+ 886	+ 41
Uncollected items	656,498	- 21,545	+ 35,719
Bank premises	41,975	- 41	- 2,142
Other assets	71,965	+ 495	+ 20,229
<u>T O T A L A S S E T S</u>	18,622,662	- 57,911	+3,280,722
<u>L I A B I L I T I E S</u>			
F. R. notes in actual circulation	4,899,500	+ 54,208	+ 477,051
Deposits:			
Member bank - reserve account	11,616,517	- 3,232	+2,650,248
U. S. Treasurer - General account	346,191	- 94,758	- 61,186
Foreign bank	398,444	- 8,830	+ 187,726
Other deposits	386,416	+ 18,059	+ 20,899
<u>Total deposits</u>	12,747,568	- 88,761	+2,797,688
Deferred availability items	620,184	- 24,126	+ 4,465
Other liabilities including accrued dividends	6,124	+ 144	+ 731
<u>T O T A L L I A B I L I T I E S</u>	18,273,376	- 58,535	+3,279,935
<u>C A P I T A L A C C O U N T S</u>			
Capital paid in	135,251	+ 316	+ 1,202
Surplus (Section 7)	149,152	--	+ 1,413
Surplus (Section 13b)	27,264	--	- 419
Other capital accounts	37,619	+ 308	- 1,409
<u>TOTAL LIABILITIES AND CAPITAL ACCOUNTS</u>	18,622,662	- 57,911	+3,280,722
Ratio of total reserves to deposit and F. R. note liabilities combined	86.7%	+ .2%	+ 3.1%
Contingent liability on bills purchased for foreign correspondents	--	--	- 76
Commitments to make industrial advances	9,492	- 151	- 5,655

STATEMENT OF CONDITION OF THE FEDERAL RESERVE BANKS ON DECEMBER 6, 1939
(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	14,998,315	845,576	7,021,215	820,542	960,046	401,095	279,289	2,549,208	422,477	252,772	358,143	230,704	857,248
Redemption fund - F.R. notes	9,866	1,014	976	1,234	939	841	800	767	802	233	504	381	1,375
Other cash	290,747	26,060	74,806	24,432	18,799	18,166	16,326	39,591	13,667	8,537	2,329	16,096	31,388
<u>Total reserves</u>	<u>15,298,928</u>	<u>872,650</u>	<u>7,096,997</u>	<u>846,208</u>	<u>979,784</u>	<u>420,102</u>	<u>296,415</u>	<u>2,589,566</u>	<u>436,946</u>	<u>261,592</u>	<u>361,476</u>	<u>247,181</u>	<u>890,011</u>
Bills discounted:													
Secured by U. S. Gov't obligations, direct and guaranteed	1,657	80	755	190	188	84	70	126	65	70	—	4	25
Other bills discounted	6,419	125	2,149	488	548	243	290	626	210	179	1,073	140	348
<u>Total bills discounted</u>	<u>8,076</u>	<u>205</u>	<u>2,904</u>	<u>678</u>	<u>736</u>	<u>327</u>	<u>360</u>	<u>752</u>	<u>275</u>	<u>249</u>	<u>1,073</u>	<u>144</u>	<u>373</u>
Industrial advances	11,387	1,414	2,026	3,108	315	984	671	499	7	757	183	508	915
U. S. Government securities, direct and guaranteed:													
Bonds	1,278,947	92,820	398,139	109,553	133,410	66,134	51,585	140,500	43,296	34,641	57,572	46,264	105,033
Notes	1,233,225	89,501	383,906	105,636	128,640	63,769	49,742	135,473	41,748	33,403	55,512	44,611	101,279
<u>Total U. S. Gov't securities, direct and guaranteed</u>	<u>2,512,172</u>	<u>182,321</u>	<u>782,045</u>	<u>215,189</u>	<u>262,050</u>	<u>129,903</u>	<u>101,327</u>	<u>275,973</u>	<u>85,044</u>	<u>68,044</u>	<u>113,084</u>	<u>90,875</u>	<u>206,312</u>
<u>Total bills and securities</u>	<u>2,531,635</u>	<u>183,940</u>	<u>786,975</u>	<u>218,975</u>	<u>263,101</u>	<u>131,214</u>	<u>102,358</u>	<u>277,229</u>	<u>85,326</u>	<u>69,050</u>	<u>114,340</u>	<u>91,527</u>	<u>207,600</u>
Due from foreign banks	47	3	18	5	4	2	2	6	1	*	1	1	4
F. R. notes of other banks	21,614	736	3,349	848	1,719	1,814	1,845	2,334	2,161	928	1,748	653	3,479
Uncollected items	656,498	66,864	159,791	49,034	74,025	58,285	28,946	87,235	28,472	18,575	29,079	23,650	32,542
Bank premises	41,975	2,894	8,367	4,583	5,881	2,551	2,037	3,862	2,248	1,498	3,106	1,259	3,189
Other assets	71,965	4,696	22,534	6,604	7,909	4,123	3,038	7,264	2,260	1,965	3,022	2,479	6,071
TOTAL ASSETS	18,622,662	1,131,783	8,078,531	1,126,257	1,332,423	618,091	434,641	2,967,496	557,414	353,608	512,772	366,750	1,142,896

*Less than \$500.

STATEMENT OF CONDITION OF THE FEDERAL RESERVE BANKS ON DECEMBER 6, 1939
(In thousands of dollars)

LIABILITIES

	Total	Boston	New York	Phila.	Cleve.	Rich.	Atlanta	Chicago	St.Louis	Minn.	Kans.Cy.	Dallas	San Fran.
F. R. notes in actual cir- culation	4,899,500	409,483	1,239,879	345,177	453,846	231,854	161,090	1,069,356	190,638	141,001	183,255	83,929	389,992
Deposits:													
Member bank-reserve account	11,616,517	546,893	6,098,109	594,642	658,850	282,468	203,188	1,687,190	283,737	157,227	266,164	214,087	623,962
U.S.Treasurer-General account	346,191	37,325	60,648	55,702	64,783	10,747	10,578	20,938	23,539	14,109	12,670	15,140	20,012
Foreign bank	398,444	28,635	142,624	38,579	36,988	17,102	13,920	48,124	11,534	9,148	11,534	11,534	28,722
Other deposits	386,416	20,951	271,270	12,405	15,283	3,773	6,102	8,537	8,382	6,573	1,325	7,126	24,621
<u>Total deposits</u>	<u>12,747,568</u>	<u>633,804</u>	<u>6,572,659</u>	<u>701,328</u>	<u>775,904</u>	<u>314,090</u>	<u>233,788</u>	<u>1,764,789</u>	<u>327,192</u>	<u>187,057</u>	<u>291,693</u>	<u>247,887</u>	<u>697,377</u>
Deferred availability items	620,184	63,970	142,872	46,116	69,132	56,955	26,752	88,237	28,725	16,225	27,437	23,647	30,116
Other liabilities including accrued dividends	6,124	406	2,456	960	489	154	213	493	188	151	194	139	281
<u>TOTAL LIABILITIES</u>	<u>18,273,376</u>	<u>1,107,663</u>	<u>7,957,866</u>	<u>1,093,581</u>	<u>1,299,371</u>	<u>603,053</u>	<u>421,843</u>	<u>2,922,875</u>	<u>546,743</u>	<u>344,434</u>	<u>502,579</u>	<u>355,602</u>	<u>1,117,766</u>

CAPITAL ACCOUNTS

Capital paid in	135,251	9,383	50,951	12,115	13,823	5,142	4,566	13,320	4,040	2,927	4,308	4,051	10,625
Surplus (Section 7)	149,152	10,083	52,463	13,696	14,323	4,983	5,630	22,666	4,685	3,153	3,613	3,892	9,965
Surplus (Section 13b)	27,264	2,874	7,457	4,416	1,007	3,293	713	1,429	545	1,001	1,142	1,266	2,121
Other capital accounts	37,619	1,780	9,794	2,449	3,899	1,620	1,839	7,206	1,401	2,093	1,130	1,939	2,419

TOTAL LIABILITIES ANDCAPITAL ACCOUNTS

	18,622,662	1,131,783	8,078,531	1,126,257	1,332,423	618,091	434,641	2,967,496	557,414	353,608	512,772	366,750	1,142,896
Commitments to make industrial advances	9,492	475	1,812	922	1,194	816	78	22	398	64	550	—	3,161

MATURITY DISTRIBUTION OF BILLS AND SECURITIES

	Total	Within 15 days	16 to 30 days	31 to 60 days	61 to 90 days	91 days to 6 months	6 months to 1 Year	1 Year to 2 Years	2 Years to 5 Years	Over 5 Years
Bills Discounted	8,076	5,133	158	255	1,710	787	33	—	—	—
Industrial advances	11,387	1,532	964	357	347	833	2,342	2,813	2,199	—
U. S. Government securities, direct and guaranteed	2,512,172	—	—	—	—	161,705	136,783	342,221	682,887	1,188,576

FEDERAL RESERVE NOTE STATEMENT ON DECEMBER 6, 1939
(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	5,176,588	429,182	1,331,026	362,789	474,344	243,151	172,465	1,092,831	202,440	145,137	191,220	90,891	441,112
Held by Federal Reserve bank	277,088	19,699	91,147	17,612	20,498	11,297	11,375	23,475	11,802	4,136	7,965	6,962	51,120

In actual circulation

4,899,500	409,483	1,239,879	345,177	453,846	231,854	161,090	1,069,356	190,638	141,001	183,255	83,929	389,992
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Collateral held by agent as security for notes issued to bank:

Gold certificates on hand and

due from U. S. Treasury

Eligible paper

5,287,000	440,000	1,355,000	370,000	476,000	245,000	177,000	1,115,000	209,000	147,500	195,000	93,500	464,000
2,446	180	803	210	—	119	—	—	135	126	873	—	—

Total collateral

5,289,446	440,180	1,355,803	370,210	476,000	245,119	177,000	1,115,000	209,135	147,626	195,873	93,500	464,000
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