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"Bank buying rate for U.S. dollar notes": Inquiry
of Amn. Consul, Suva, Fiji Islands

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a) See cable for 21. to Amn. Consul^o / 23/42

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Fiji Islands

U.S. Treas. plan for disposal of U.S. paper
currency not to be adopted 5/22/42

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Treasury desires direct reporting from Embassies;

Taylor calls on Hull - praised Cochran in Paris

• asks for same service in London 9/16/36 32:114-121
~~32:114-121~~

1) Hull suggests talking to Fcis → Fcis agreed to
do everything possible • to craft general letter
to Butterfield in London

Finance, International

File ^(State Dept) memo to Arab. Bingham (Gr. Gr.) concerning
informal meeting between Embassy + Gov. Treasury 1/18/36

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Earmarked gold held by Fed. Res. Bk. for foreign

central acct.: Lochhead memo 7/25/39

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Finance Ministers of United and Associated Nations
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Discussion at group meeting 5/29/42 534 17

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Financial Policy Bd., Foreign

Establishment of Bd. discussed by HMJr, D.W. Bell,
Gaston, Luxford, Pehle, McConnell, Lynch,
and White 8/19/44

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- a) Proposed memo to FDR
- b) Proposed Exec. Order establishing Board

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FDR-HMJr conv. reported 8/19/44
FDR's handling of suggestion with Hull
reported to Treas. group by HMJr
8/22/44

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Financial Representative for Allied Control Council
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Financial Transactions
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- FDR explains tripartite nature, October, 1933 1: 1
3/15/34 - Announcement 3/8/34 of offering for 1
subscription at par of 4-yr. 3% Treas. notes of
Series C, 1938, in exchange for Treas. certificates
of indebtedness of Series TM, 1934, maturing
3/15/34 22
a) Subscription books will close 3/10/34 23
b) Subscriptions equal \$455,175,000 3/15/34 24
Future plans discussed at Sun. evening dinner
with Geo. Harrison, Tom K. Smith, and Randolph
Burgess 4/1/34 29
a) Second discussion with Gov. Black; the Govs.
from Fed. Res. Bks. at Chicago, Phila., and
Boston; Coolidge; Lanston; Bell; Broughton;
Smith; and Stark

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- b) HMJr decides on 12-yr. bond callable in 10 yrs.
at $3\frac{1}{4}\%$; hopes FDR will be satisfied

4/4/34- 4th Liberty Loan bonds: announcement of

- offering for subscription 10-12-yr. $3\frac{1}{4}\%$ Treas.
bonds in exch. for 4th Liberty Loan bonds 1: 31
- a) Exchange subscriptions equal \$550 million
received up to 1 P.M. Sat. 4/7/34 32
- *b) Books will close 4/12/34 33
- d) Subscriptions equal \$1,049,441,300 - all
allotted in full 4/21/34 36
- e) HMJr reports progress to FDR 4/8/34 37
- f) In conversation with Harrison, Burgess, Coolidge
and Smith, HMJr learns he can call more than he
had planned without simultaneously making new
offer; this is a relief to him 4/10/34 40

g) Second call 4/13/34

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- 6/5/34 - Offering of approx. \$300-million
12-14-yr. 3% Treas. bonds of 1946-48, and approx. 1
\$500 million 5-yr. 2-1/8% Treas. notes of Series A,
1939 6/4/34 1: 86
a) Books close 6/5/34 87
b) Cash subscriptions equal \$2,511,000,000 88
c) Final allotment figures 6/12/34 89

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FDR suggests, in coming re-financing, a 5-yr. note
with the right to convert into a long-term bond
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~~9/15/34~~ - 9/15/35 - 9/10/34

~~9/15/34~~ - Offering of 2 series of Treas. notes and
an issue of bonds in exch. for Treas. certificates
of indebtedness, Series TS, 1934, and 4th Liberty
Loan 4½% bonds called 10/15/34 - exch. basis only

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- a) Books closed for 1½% 2-yr. Treas. notes,
Series D, 1936 - 9/13/34 64
- b) Subscriptions equal \$1,044,000,000 -
9/17/34 65
- c) Books closed for current exch. offer of 2½%
4-yr. Treas. notes, Series D, 1938 -
9/21/34 66

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d) Announcement of approx. \$844,000,000 of
4th Liberty Loan bonds exchanged 9/25/34

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e) Offering of 3½% Treas. bonds, 1944-46, in
exch. for 4th Liberty Loan bonds will
close 10/11/34

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f) Announcement that approx. \$1,870,000,000
has now been called - 10/12/34

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Cash balance never below \$1 billion ~~in~~ HMJr's plan;
wants major financing on quarterly basis - no
further increase in weekly amt. of Treas. bills
except in emergency; wants three-months supply of
money always on hand and so explains to Bell and
Coolidge 11/14/34

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12/15/34 - Open Mkt. Com. discusses 11/27/34

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Photostat copy of plan presented to FDR and
approved by him 12/1/34

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Offering for cash of \$450 million 3-1/8%

Treas. bonds and \$450 million 1-1/8% Treas.
notes, Series E-1936; also exchange offerings

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a) Books close 12/4/34

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b) Subscription and allotment figures

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c) Final subscription and allotment figures

12/12/34

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1/3/35 - Additional issue of $3\frac{1}{2}\%$ Treas. bonds of 1944-46, as a result of the exchange of 2nd call of 4th Liberty Loan bonds, equals \$456,897,000, books for which closed 10/11/34
3: 22

2nd Liberty Bond Act - amendments to

▶ See HMJr statement before Congress
1/29/35

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a) See ~~Executive~~ Lending Agencies, Inter.
Com. of: White House conf. 1/17/35

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Byrnes (Sen.) asked by HMJr if "big Treas. balance" is ever discussed on Hill 2/19/35

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Open Mkt. Com. meets with HMJr to discuss

Spring financing 2/20/35 3: 377

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Burgess tells HMJr Harrison and he
inclined toward "the ~~20~~ 25-yrs."

2/28/35 439

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3. ~~1955~~ 1955

offering of 20-25 yr. $2\frac{7}{8}$ % Tr.
bonds of 1955-60 in each. for
 $\frac{1}{2}$ Lib. Loan $4\frac{1}{4}$ % bonds of 1955-
-35 called for redemption $\frac{1}{15}$ %
called $\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{4}$ %; 5 yr. $1\frac{5}{8}$ %
Tr. notes of Swiss A-1440 in each.
for Tr. notes of - C-192 met. $\frac{3}{15}$ %

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- a) Subscription books will close $3/18/35$ ⁴ ~~11/52~~ ³
- b) Sub. aggregate \$513 million for 5 yr.
 $1\frac{5}{8}\%$ Tr. notes; aggregate \$555 million ^{up 4 1/2}
Lib. loan books called for redemption on $9/15/35$ have been tech. for Tr. books $3/13/35$ ⁵² ~~11~~
- c) Allotments $3/18/35$ ~~115~~ ^A

- d) Sub. aggregate \$1,332,000,000 for
 2 $\frac{1}{4}$ % Tr. bonds 1955-60, offered in spec.
 for 4 $\frac{1}{2}$ % Lib. Loan Bonds; bonds will
 close 3/27/55 3/25/55 III 147A
- e) Allotments 4/2/55 III 156A

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U.S. Savings

SEE ~~Baby~~ Bonds also

for redemption
9/15/35
II 87

First Liberties (1 billion, 400 million) to be called
(actual call 4/10/35 - II 206 B+)

Parsons Canal Loan Bonds (2%) + Bonds of 1930 (2%) to be
retired - free gold resulting from reduction in weight of
the gold dollar to be used 3/11/35

II 92

~~the~~ last of Liberties will be called (11/30/35 early), 1 billion
for redemption 11/1/35

will have been called in little more than 1 year; 11/30/35 needs to recall

radio talk 6/9/35
(call 209 P.O. talk 209A-0)

II 170

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Kennedy consulted about private flotation in the offering so

How to can figure out next re financing 4/9/55 III 170

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See also Open Market Committee

HOLC offering of 4 yr. $1\frac{1}{2}$ % bonds of
Series F-1939 in pay't for which only HOLC
bonds of Series 1935-51 called for redemption $7\frac{1}{2}$ % -
may be treated $5\frac{1}{2}$ % -

a) Sub. will also $5\frac{1}{2}$ % -

II 116 A

II 173 B

2 Fin Govt

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5/27/55- Additional issue of 3% Tr. bonds of
1946-49 in the amount of
Egypt. P100 million I 173A

a) Result 5/31/55 I 191

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Open Market Committee meeting 6/7/35 ~~VF~~ 40

- a) Coolidge announces conclusion to offer
5 yr. $1\frac{1}{2}\%$ note to be exchanged
for notes maturing 6/15 + $8\frac{1}{15}$ interest
on 8% notes will be paid only to 6/15.

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see next card

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allotment of 5 yr. 1 1/2% Tr. notes
 of Series B-1940 in exchange for
 Tr. notes of Series A-1935 maturing
 6/15/35 ~~for Tr. notes of Series B-~~
 1935 maturing 7/1/35 VI 49 A

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 Done for

- a) sub. hrs close 6/15/35 57 A
- b) " amount to \$738,573,400;
 allotment 6/15/35 VII 4 A

★ Financing, Gov't

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After talk with Kiplinger, H. M. Jr. tells Bell ^{following} plan:

~~est~~
on 6/24 to get money for 7/1 - get enough to last
until 7/15 (\$500 million)

VI 60

~~See also Open Market Committee~~

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H.M. Jr wants FDR to present tax message before noon
6/19/35 so check will be out before Treas. announces
financing

III 119

Open market Co. will meet at 11 o'clock 6/19/35:

H.M. Jr will announce borrowing \$750 million in long
term bonds; Discussion concerning offer of

\$100,000,000 bonds - \$100,000,000 notes at same time

III 119, 122

2 Financing, Govt

6-24-55

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Additional issue of 3% Tr. bonds of
1946-48, in the amt of \$100,000,000
or thereabouts at not less than
par + accrued interest III 43A-E

a) Sub. amount to \$461,341,000; \$112,
669,000 accrued @ $103\frac{2}{32}$ -
 $103\frac{17}{32}$ + accrued int $\frac{4}{32}$ III 43 F

Financing, Govt

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Burgess told by HM Jr Treasury wants a ~~15~~ issue in '39 or '40; B. says '38 or '39; HM Jr asks B. "if I ask you to sell 12/15/39 500 million 1 3/4 can you do it?" B. says "yes" 7/6/35
III 14C-F

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7.8.35

Offering of agency. \$500 million @
par - accrued interest of 4 yr. 5 months
 $1\frac{3}{8}\%$ Tr. notes of Swiss B-1939 ~~43A~~

a) sub. closed $7/8/35$ " 43B

b) " = \$2 billion 970 million $7/8/35$ = 65A

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7.15.55

Offering of app. \$100 million of 2 $\frac{1}{8}$
Tr. bonds of 1955-60 at not less
than par + accrued interest ~~III 666 F~~

*) Tender bid for \$510,958,000
face amt bid; \$101,967,000
accepted @ 101 $\frac{27}{32}$ - 101 $\frac{19}{32}$ +
accrued int. 7/15/55 ~~III 666 G~~

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b) allotment figures

7/18/35-

VIII 66 H

c) ^{later} Final figures

7/1/35-

VIII 7A

d) Final figures

7/6/35-

VIII 14A

Finance, Credit

SEE also Open Market Committee 8/24/35

9 II 131

Memo to FDR outlining outlook for next 4 yrs

8/17/35 II 41+

- a) Business curve shows deficit swing upward
- b) Inventory of emergency agencies necessary
- c) Review of project under #4.8 final charts

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a) H. H. H. is reluctant when leaving Goddard's house, 7/25/35 that

on subscriptions of \$25,000,000

release of ~~\$25,000,000~~ subscription to the Farm Credit offering

of bonds would be on ticker just before or at 9 o'clock, standard

Time 7/29/35: in custody - at request of manager of Fed. Res. Bk., NY.

> statement was not released until 9:15 AM

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* \$26.35

Offering of approx. \$100 million

1 1/2 % 1959 Fed. Farm Mtge

Corp bonds of ~~130A-F~~ 130A-F

~~a) out~~

~~b)~~

a) out

b) Bonds: tender for \$85,
592,000 face amount
net; \$85,262,000 amount
to 140

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- b) sub. fig was approx 1/450 → U.S. sub
X 2 F
- c) final sub. → allotment
for each offering of 1 1/2 % Tr.
notes of Series C-1939 14 A
d) next

Offering of 10-12 yr. 2 3/4 % Tr. bonds
of 1945-47 & of 3 1/2 yr. 1 1/2 %
Tr. notes of Series C-1939 both in
each for 4 1/2 - Lib. loan 4 1/4 %
bonds of 1933-38; at the same time
cash subscriptions at par for approx.
\$500 million Tr. notes X 0
e) Bonds for cash sub. close 9/4/55 X 2 E

d) Sub. = \$759,000,000 up to 7/16/35⁻ⁱⁿ
Exch. for 4th - called 4th - Lib. Loan bonds

e) Bonds will close 10/11/35⁻ $\bar{X} 43A$
 $\bar{X} 59A$

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* SEI Open Market Committee "12/15" XII 144 +

H.M. Jr speaks to Colidge for James "12/15" XII 123

a) Colidge & Burgess discuss about making it a bill

so H.M. Jr agrees on \$900 million

* H.M. Jr discusses with Jesse Jones possibility of abolishing
new public debt by abolishing new the quartered 62
bonds "12/15" XII ~~123~~

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12.2.35

offering of approx. \$450 million

2 $\frac{3}{4}$ % Tr. bonds of 1945-47 +

approx. \$450 million of 5 yr. 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ %

Tr. notes of Series C 1940; also exchange

privilege on 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ % Tr. notes of Series

D 1935 maturing 12/15/35 XIII 2A-

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- a) H.M. J. sends congratulatory telegram to each of
12 Fed. Res. Bks. 12/3/55- XIII 5
- b) H.M. J. telegraphs FDR about satisfactory results of
Trans. cash offering XIII 7
- c) Pass releases 12/3/55, 12/4/55, 12/5/55- XIII 8
Bonds oversub. $4\frac{1}{2}$ times; notes $5\frac{1}{2}$ times,
proportion of bonds is surprising
- d) Final sub. → allotment figures. 12/10/55- XIII 188A

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H.M.S. asks for suggestions for Coolidge, Al. Phelan, Hans. 16

Lytham, Bill + Castro

1/20/36

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- a) Al. Phelan list 5 new taxes, to replace processing taxes - to take care of bonded ~~if~~ parcel
land - income - inheritance
(see p. 11)
- b) Coolidge agreed on new taxes; if bond parcel = \$1 billion deficit in fiscal 1937
- c) H.M.S. recommends 9 yr serial bond coming due each year

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H.M. Jr tells staff FDR opposes paying AAA ^{Program} ~~benefit~~
net of income taxes; ... must agricultural benefit to
equal the \$450 million in the 1937 budget ^{1/28/36} ~~1947~~

a) H.M. Jr need 2 programs developed

1. incorporating FDR's notes of \$450 million net of paying
taxes + \$50 million by a tax on all articles selling
for over \$100

2. H.M. Jr's own plan

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AAA: proposal legislation - financing of land

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discussed with officials of Agriculture + Justice

also present 1/21/56

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- a) HMR says that who has objective to bill as model.
incl. Siry Walker - to state them
- b) HMR points out the doc. is not at all sold on
idea of processing tax
- c) HMR that Treasury difficulties in raising money for bond
+ this, too, to be taken into mind

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a) How Sr asks Stanley Reed (Justice) whether they can regard problem in 2 parts: ① need of additional revenue as part of tax bill → ② a finding that money to the people entitled to it

AAA: 2^d meeting to consider 1/29/36 ~~1936~~ 1936

a) How Sr asks lawyers if they are satisfied w/ constitutionality of retroactive tax on procum

1. Reed not satisfied
2. Ought not substantively satisfied

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AAA: Dismissed at White House conference $\frac{1}{30}$ ~~141~~ 16
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Coolidge resigned, then suggests Henry Hughes¹⁸
to help H M Jr. • Bell 2/16/36

1) H M Jr will seek financing for next 30 days plan
to hold out of market from August until after elected
with negotiation of nearly bills

Plans discussed with Treasury group + Burgess 2/17/36 Form 2-6

2) H M Jr discuss with Burgess possibility of writing
some bonds for NY sound to reduce situation; Reitschler

2 Financing, Cost

(Nat'l Cit y Bank) → Page (First Boston Corp.) suggested ¹⁸

a) SEE H.M.Sr's own list of possibilities
H.M.Sr also decks

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Bonus financing - SEE Bonus ^{see ch 3}

2/15/56

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H.M.Sr plans FDR for Sway-Playa that many big insurance companies are using a 30-yr bond @ 3%.

4/21/56

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H.M.Sr wishes to incl. conversion privilege for bills

restructuring 3/15; Burgess not really in favor; H.M.Sr discusses with Harrison; with Eccles; with [unclear]

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54C-F, 54G-D

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HWA Jr "clears the decks" with Myers (Farm Credit),

Fahney (HOLC) etc in prep. for "big financing"

3/2/36

2/17/36 ~~ADL~~ 6A-71

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Open market Com. meeting 2/26/56

~~XXXX~~ 7688

- a) Bonus financing by bills discussed
- b) ~~privilege~~ ^{concession} privilege 3/15 .. ; H. W. J. convinced, after discussion, there should be no concession priv. for the maturing bills
- c) 25-30 yr bond @ 3% discussed
- d) H. W. J. states if Treas. had acted on Fed. Res. banks during last 2 yr. no bonds would have been sold

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a) Public debt statement of 1/31/36 *

titles of Tr. bonds, notes + cert. of 2/25/36 ^{to hand}
in chart form

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Wartel Pass + Dow Jones ticker report on
general financing 2/27/36 + 2/28/36

" 122-131

Mills (Dulley) + Ritt discuss successful
financing 2/29/36

" 132

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- Page - H M Jr anniversary 2/29/36

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Burgess - H M Jr ..

2/29/36

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Offering of ^{govt.} \$650 million 12-15 yr.
2 $\frac{3}{4}$ % Treasury bonds of 1948-51
& approx. \$600 million 5 yr. 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ %
Treas. notes of Series A-1941;
Exchange privileges ~~SSS~~ O

~~Sub. bonds closed $\frac{3}{2}$ /₃₆ at~~

~~close of business for each sub. .. O a~~

a) closing of books O a, b

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b) sub. figures + basis of allotment $3/6/36$

c) final ~~IX~~ 38A

$3/12/36$

~~IX~~ 115A

SEE also Finance Credit Advice instruction ~~IX~~ 267

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See Farm Credit Administration

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HWA Jr meets with Bondarick, Geo. Harrison, Duggins,
Golden weiner, Taylor, Bell, Seliger + Lytham

4/16/36 ~~120-~~ 127

a) 1st meeting since new req. of Board of Comm. F.R.B.

b) immediate problem is financing bond

SEE also Express Reserves ~~126, 269A-D, 275~~

~~HWA Jr tells Bondarick if Fed Res is going to do
something about spec issues to limit volume must be~~

~~concentration reports to FDR~~

Francis J. Gort

Su. Att. Express Records

Fed. Res. Banks to be approached concerning pulling
of subscriptions to Treasury offerings 9/21/36 ~~with 12~~
(for sample letter see pp. 15+16)

Hu Jr tells Bell bond market (because of market conditions)
may be unsettled until June 15 when he will have to
raise \$1 billion; therefore he wants to have an extra
\$ + 50 million on hand so that it cannot "hold a pistol
at his head" + 12+134

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H.W. Jr. tells Congress he has reversed himself
• wants to begin on 5/4/36 to sell \$50 million

worth of bills due 12/15 each week \$101/36 ~~131~~ 131
A-E

Financial Govt
- Bell

H M Jr. confers with Tugwell, Ballwin (Resettlement

Adm.) 5/4/56

~~XXXX~~ 44-57

H M Jr - Bell conf with Higgins 5/5/56 .. 58-59

- a) estimated funds needed by WPA - assuming that present financial position is not revised 60
- b) - - - - - " is revised 61
- c) WPA employment program 62

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| 2) WPA funds as of 4/20/56 | XVIII 63 |
| 3) obligations - expenditures | " 64 |
| 4) estimated cost for May, 1956 | " 65 |
| 5) status of funds allocated to specified agencies 4/20/56 | 66 |

As to the FDR if all the \$48 million assigned to Tugwell for purchase of land is not obligated - balance

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should be cancelled; FDR agrees 5/15/56

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H.M.Jr suggested, unexpended balance by CCC be
turned over to H.K. inc 5/7/36 ~~130~~ 130

FDR says that Bill report on all unexpended balances ..

H.K. inc & Bill conf again with H.K. inc 5/8/36 .. 131

a) H.M.Jr does not want any of \$1.5 billion
obligated or spent before July 1

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b) Bill marks net unexp. balances

~~100~~ 102,100

c) FDR authorizes transfer of 5% of unexp. balances

to NBA

5/17/36

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as of 5/21/36
Questions, concerning possible offerings of Govt securities
to be dated 6/15/36

~~XXV~~ 9-13

Basic data concerning
dated 6/15/36

to be
~~XXV~~ 94-95

Fin. Res. officials discuss financing with H&A Jr 5/27/36

H&A Jr sums up: give holder of maturing issues the
option of a 5 yr. $1\frac{3}{8}$ rate or a $2\frac{3}{4}$ bond

~~XXV~~ 141-149

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returning members around 1950-55 with \$1 billion
new money on same bond + not divided 50-50 or
60-40

All memo on conference between Hux Jr, Bell →
Stellan R Green, 2nd Vice Pres. of Chase Nat'l Bk

5/28/56 ~~108-160~~

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Offer of approx. \$600 million 15-18yr

2 3/4% Trus. bonds of 1951-54 →

approx. \$400 million 5yr. 1 3/8%

Trus. notes, Series B 1941 ~~1941~~ 6-6L

a) closing of books 6/1/56

b) prelim. sub. + allotted figures 6/1/56

c) final .. → .. 6/14/56

625 A
173 D

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Budgets asked for report 6/1/36 ~~12~~ 67-P,

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tariff manipulation HHS 6/1/36

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FOR says "financing not my sell" 4/2/36

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American Banker editorial promising "mostly

job of financing"

6/2/36

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~~9-15-1956~~ ^{9/15} ~~9/15~~ ^{9/15} discussed at Hyde Park conference and
~~8/23/56~~; present FDR H M Jr Bill, then

8/23/56

Notes

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- a) H M Jr suggests that he simply issue new notes in exchange for the \$510 million maturing; think F.D. Res. will not approve; market in perfect condition & they will need to raise new funds

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- b) H.M. Jr. desires budget summation should be released
- c) 5% to be set aside suggested by H.M. Jr.; FDR says Bell "may try his hand at making this out" (see p 70-110)
- d) Bell rules main figures for budget summation
- e) Proposal speaks by FDR on general outlook of govt receipts & expenditures over period of

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Ykas - as drafted by Gaston and (sugg. 153-161)

f) Estimate of revenues + receipt, fiscal 1940,
as prep. by McLeod (Div. of Res. + Stat.) shown FDR
(sugg. 162-166)

Budget summation statement as sub. to FDR
by Bell 9/25/46 30:266-270

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Budget outlook as discussed in meeting's Bnd

Summary 9/24/56

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SEE also H O L C

" " Nat'l Youth Admin.

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For review of 9/15 see BOOK ~~XXXI~~ :
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term maturities containing early and
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a) Evaluate paper quarterly financing - thus leaving Fed Res.
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Taylor, Seltzer, Haas, Upham, and White

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- Haas memo (preliminary) 11/28/36 265-270
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Conf. in HMJr's office; present: Chas. A. Miller
(pres., Savings Bank Trust Co., N.Y.C.) and a
trustee of Savings Bank of Utica) and D. W. Bell
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- a) Memo attached on N.Y. State savings
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Conference in HMJR's office; present: Colt (pres. Bankers Trust Co.), Tompkins (principal bond expert, " " ") and D. W. Bell 12/1/36 47: 1-4

- a) See Burgess-HMJr phone conversation concerning 20-23
- b) HMJR tells Burgess he also thinks Divine, ~~and~~ C. F. Childs and Salomon Bros.) also should be invited in - 12/1/36 24-27

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- a) HMJR states that his recent N.Y. visitors have been of 2 schools of thought: bankers favor a ~~2x2x2x~~ $2\frac{3}{4}\%$ bond with as long a maturity as possible; others favor $2\frac{1}{2}\%$ bond of shorter

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maturity

- b) Seltzer (Treas.) reports that in 17 yrs. ^{present} ~~total~~ total debt will be wiped out by Social Security Fund
- c) Murphy (Treas.) states that in 15 yrs. \$24½ billion would be absorbed by S.S. Fund and in 20 yrs. \$36 billion or more than is now ~~total~~ outstanding ~~with~~ ^{by} ~~the~~
- d) Burgess comments that HMJr is in position similar to that faced by Secy. of Treas. in the '80's
- e) HMJr does not see how he can offer a bond of great length in view of Soc. Sec. Act
- f) Roll call rejects both 2¾ coupon and 2-5/8 coupon; agreement seems to be on 2½ coupon

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g) HMJr expresses tentative agreement on the option of a 5-yr. note and some kind of a bond for holders of maturing notes and a bond only for cash subscribers

HMJr talks over possibilities with Burgess

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market basis, probable premium 12/3/36

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a) HMJr informs FDR "under authority of
the Second Liberty Bond Act, as amended,
proposed to offer for subscription a series
of 13 to 17-yr. 2 $\frac{3}{8}$ % Treas. bonds and a series
of 5-yr. 1 $\frac{1}{4}$ % Treas. notes for cash to the amt.
of approx. \$700 million 221

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- 2) Burgess reports on progress 12/7/36
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- 3) First day's totals reported by
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- 4) Actual release 12/7/36 292-299
- 5) Closing of books announced 12/8/36 300

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1. Partnership of D.M.C. & Treasury in purchase of bonds to maintain a steady market
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Hals memo "The Trend of Short-term Money Rates"

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Bell, Taylor, Lochhead, McReynolds, Magill confer
with HMJr 1/28/37

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- a) HMJr: "I am disturbed about the bond mkt. next wk. because I think the Fed. Res. Bd. will meet tomorrow"
- b) Preliminary report on financing given HMJr by "EAS"
- c) HMJr: "I would like to pick up \$200 million worth of bills to fall due in June"; Taylor does not think this is the time to go into ~~in~~ the mkt. on bills
- d) Bell memo covering financing 2/1/37 to 6/30/37

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Haas memo on Preliminary Financing Possibilities

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Conf. ** Sunday at 11 A.M. 1/31/37; present:
HMJr, Bell, Upham, Haas, Taylor, Lochhead,
Burgess, Harrison, Eccles, Goldenweiser

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Ex a) Haas memo considered (See page 105)

- 1) HMjr does not feel that 3/15/37 is the time to try out a 7 to 17-yr. arrangement or anything else new; says the longer he stays here, the more conservative he grows

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- a) HMjr announces there are 3 things to be decided: (1) shall we start next wk. selling \$50 million worth of bills into the 15th of June until we have sold \$300 million?; (2) shall we call the April maturities and refinance them on March 15; (3) shall we ask for any new money?

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Taylor, Bell, Harris, Seltzer, Harrison, Haas,
and Lochhead 3/6/37

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a) HMJr decides to "do the conservative thing"
par for par - especially with a close of
101.5 "

b) HMJr-Burgess conversations

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\$502,361,900 of the notes of Series B, 1937,
will mature on April 15, 1937; offering of Treas.
bonds will be limited to the amt. of such Treas.
notes tendered and accepted for exchange;
cash subscriptions will not be received

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maximum amt. which should mature on quarterly dates

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HMAJr asks Ecker to send someone from his insurance co.
who knows the Govt. bond mkt., down for conf.

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HMAJr asks Harrison, Young, Schaller to bring
information on market when they come for

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Bell resume/ of Treas. offerings for subscription
of 2 kinds of Treas. obligations with a limit
on the 2 combined rather than a limit on each
issue, thus giving subscribers a choice

(twice done: 1/25/32 and 3/13/33) 5/19/37

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Has memo "Short-term character of immediate
financial requirement" 5/19/37

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Haas memo "Relative advantages of a ~~100~~ 5-yr.
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- a) Visit Murray Shields (Irving Trust Co),
J. H. Middle (Bankers' Trust Co.),
F. H. Shaller (Equitable Life Assurance
Society of the U.S.), Alexander Sachs
(Lehman Corp.)

Gov. Schaller reports on reaction to a ~~100~~ 3-yr.
note at 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ -1 $\frac{3}{4}$ in Chicago, Milwaukee, Detroit,
Indianapolis 5/20/37 161

Parker Gilbert and Leffingwell confer at HMJr's
home 5/20/37 187

- a) Leffingwell: "Recognize that they have you in
a corner, give them a short-term obligation,

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don't argue but don't ^{let} them get you there
again"

Seltzer memo (draft); "Consideration, affecting
the desirable volume of bill issues"

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Lochhead memo: "In 1940 and 1941, only open
quarterly date is in Sept.; resume of
outstanding issues in these years

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Mills and Repp, of Discount Corp; Levy, of

Salomon Bros. and Hutzler; Devine, of C. J.

Devine and Co.; Swihart, of C. F. Childs and Co.

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HMJr asks FDR as to advisability of announcing

at 8:45 Thursday that financing would total

\$800 million; FDR says "fine - go ahead"

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44/b) HMLr discusses conferences with Burgess
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a) HMJr discusses announcement with Burgess

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b) HMJr discusses announcement with Schaller (Chicago)

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c) HMJr and Burgess confer again;

Burgess thinks only question is whether to divide ~~3x~~ 50/50 or put 500 in the 2-yr. and 300 in the 5-year; Burgess inclines toward the 50/50 6/4/37

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a) Conversation with Burgess; at 12:04 P.M.

HMJr tells B. it's to be 400 and 400

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June 1937
 Act. announcement: \$800 million Treas. notes in
 2 series: (1) designated Series D, 1939, at
 1-3/8% interest, maturing in 2 yrs. and 3 mos.
 on Sept. 15, 1939; (2) Series A, 1942, at 1 3/4% int.
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 notes not subject to call for redemption prior
 to maturity 6/7/37

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 HMJr tells 9:30 group he wants to make announcement
 on subscription results tonight - not wait three
 or four days as he has in the past 6/7/37 12

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 "Brisk Demand expected for Treas. notes from
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HMJr tells Eccles when he meets with Exec. Com.
on July 7 he will propose "letting the nine-months
stuff ride along" and start selling a series of
\$50 million a week into Dec. 15

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Sinking Fund:

Bell tells HMJr that Mills is about to issue a statement that Secy. of Treas. has no discretion in the matter of ~~the~~ sinking fund; that it is mandatory. Bell and HMJr decide to ask Oliphant to look into it and possibly get an opinion from the Atty. General 7/8/37

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N.Y. State (Ihlfeldt and Johnson), Dime Savings Bank
(Benson), and Equitable Life Insurance Co. (Parkinson)
Bankers' Trust Company (Tompkins), Morgan-Stanley Co.
(Morgan and Young), Chase Natl. Bk. (Aldrich and Green),
Natl. City Bank (Rentschler and Blair), Devine and Co.
(Devine), C. F. Childs Co. (Swihart), Bk. of Manhattan
(Baker and Gill), Mfrs. Trust Co. (Park), Bk of N.Y.
and Trust Co. (Traphagan), Travelers' Ins. Co. (Baker),
Central Hanover Trust Co. (Davison and Collingsworth),
Irving Trust Co. (Hutchins), Salomon Bros. and Hutzler
(Levy), Discount Corp. (Mills and Repp)

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- a) Consensus of opinion: short-term note of between 1-3 yrs., the 1-yr. or 15-mo. note at $1\frac{1}{4}\%$ and the 3-yr. at $1\frac{5}{8}\%$, and a 7 to $7\frac{1}{2}$ -yr. bond at $2\frac{1}{2}\%$, preference leaning toward the 7-yr. bond
- b) Preferences of banking institutions listed

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- a) Burgess thinks division between a 15-mo. note and a 5-yr. bond would be \$350 and \$450; if a 15-mo. note and a 7-yr. bond, million

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he estimates 300 million of the long

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a) HMJr reports that Levey (Salomon Brothers &
Hutzler) feels if country had its choice, it
wouldn't buy anything

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of Govt. to take this action 11/3/37

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HQJr tells Bell and Taylor plans for next
financing 11/17/37

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- a) If things get worse, he wants
"bill market empty of Treas. paper"
- b) If Govt. mkt. stays as at present,
he will sell \$400 or \$500 million
[redacted] worth of notes on 12/15 and
give February holders of maturing notes
the right to convert into this issue

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b) Plan now is "to convert the \$75 million into bonds"

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