Mr. Underhill, from the Committee on Claims, submitted the following

REPORT

[To accompany S. 248]

The Committee on Claims, to whom was referred the bill (S. 248) for the relief of the Central National Bank, Ellsworth, Kans., having considered the same, report thereon with a recommendation that it do pass.

Attached herewith is Senate Report No. 746, which is made a part of this report.

[Senate Report No. 746, Sixty-ninth Congress, first session]

The Committee on Banking and Currency, to which was referred the bill S. 248) for the relief of the Central National Bank, Ellsworth, Kans., considered the same and reports favorably thereon that the bill be passed without amendment.

Below is a copy of a letter from Hon. Andrew W. Mellon, Secretary of the

TREASURY DEPARTMENT,
Washington, April 27, 1926.

Hon. George P. McLean,
Chairman Committee on Banking and Currency,
United States Senate, Washington, D. C.

MY DEAR SENATOR: I have received your letter of April 21, 1926, addressed to the Comptroller of the Currency, transmitting for report S. 248, a bill for the relief of the Central National Bank, Ellsworth, Kans., on account of the loss of 4½ per cent Treasury certificates of indebtedness Nos. 27108 and 27109 for $1,000 each, and No. 11720 for $500, series TS-2-1922, issued November 1, 1921, matured September 15, 1922, payable to bearer, with all coupons attached.

There are inclosed herewith copies of papers on file in this department in regard to this case. As to the merits of the claim, the department has no information before it except as contained in the inclosed papers. These show that the certificates were subscribed for through the Central National Bank by Martin Hochman, sr., Ellsworth, Kans., that they were lost while in the custody of the said bank, and were never delivered to Mr. Hochman, and that the bank reim-
bursed Mr. Hochman on account of their loss and is accordingly subrogated to 
his title thereto.

Therefore, since a considerable time has elapsed since the maturity date of 
these certificates, which are still outstanding, according to the department 
records, and since no claimant other than the Central National Bank has ap-
peared, this department will interpose no objection to the passage of the above-
described bill for the relief of said bank.

Very truly yours,

A. W. MELLON,
Secretary of the Treasury.