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### CLEARING-HOUSE RETURNS.

The following table, made up by telegraph, &c., indicates that the total bank clearings of all the clearing houses of the United States for the week ending to-day have been \$2,871,128,806, against \$3,419,700,117 last week and \$3,085,000,481 the corresponding week before.

Clearings—Returns by Telegraph. Week ending Nov. 29.	1913.	1912.	Per Cent.
New York.....	\$1,251,858,068	\$1,414,452,418	-11.5
Boston.....	107,436,278	107,293,646	+0.1
Philadelphia.....	108,969,214	111,469,532	-2.2
Baltimore.....	25,734,541	27,482,443	-6.4
Chicago.....	212,709,523	213,508,340	-0.4
St. Louis.....	57,078,904	59,406,484	-3.9
New Orleans.....	15,309,461	17,312,097	-11.6
Seven cities, five days.....	\$1,779,095,989	\$1,950,924,960	-8.8
Other cities, 5 days.....	522,014,608	508,947,608	+2.4
Total all cities, five days.....	\$2,301,110,597	\$2,459,872,568	-6.5
All cities, one day.....	570,018,209	625,127,913	-8.8
Total all cities for week.....	\$2,871,128,806	\$3,085,000,481	-6.9

The full details for the week covered by the above will be given next Saturday. We cannot furnish them to-day, clearings being made up by the clearing houses at noon on Saturday, and hence in the above the last day of the week has to be in all cases estimated, as we go to press Friday night. We present below detailed figures for the week ending with Saturday noon, Nov. 22, for four years:

Clearings at—	Week ending Nov. 22.				
	1913.	1912.	Inc. or Dec.	1911.	1910.
New York.....	1,848,111,972	2,015,377,697	-8.3	1,819,279,401	1,547,838,251
Philadelphia.....	173,199,785	182,119,320	-4.9	148,314,952	130,869,828
Pittsburgh.....	58,739,383	58,499,387	+0.4	50,772,588	44,297,340
Baltimore.....	40,362,689	41,987,335	-3.9	38,584,986	28,696,291
Buffalo.....	14,266,312	13,041,713	+9.4	10,806,466	8,726,215
Albany.....	7,897,649	6,411,828	+23.2	6,439,848	5,296,120
Washington.....	8,083,553	7,329,109	+10.3	6,956,083	6,373,144
Rochester.....	4,864,517	4,713,140	+3.2	4,153,584	3,123,147
Scranton.....	3,676,249	3,191,576	+15.2	2,486,293	2,429,055
Syracuse.....	3,228,289	2,676,109	+21.0	2,199,435	1,864,362
Reading.....	1,941,820	1,779,125	+9.1	1,728,923	1,449,609
Wilmington.....	2,272,740	1,678,941	+35.4	1,267,795	1,318,473
Wilkes-Barre.....	1,768,927	1,684,420	+5.0	1,454,664	1,228,643
Wheeling.....	2,284,118	2,307,569	-0.3	1,800,508	1,469,184
Trenton.....	1,933,988	2,168,666	-10.8	1,726,403	1,491,370
York.....	889,145	964,477	-7.8	912,143	807,688
Erle.....	1,162,973	1,029,215	+12.9	871,047	715,217
Greensburg.....	1,000,000	500,000	+2.0	495,930	342,973
Chester.....	765,397	701,146	+9.2	491,273	520,015
Binghamton.....	689,800	655,000	+5.3	493,500	557,500
Altoona.....	712,707	577,088	+23.5	494,266	404,776
Lancaster.....	1,437,258	1,551,635	-7.3	848,529	809,551
Montclair.....	487,593	356,353	+36.8	.....	.....
Total Middle.....	2,179,296,774	2,347,300,849	-7.2	2,102,578,617	1,790,692,052
Boston.....	162,731,354	163,952,065	-0.7	166,210,640	135,073,301
Providence.....	9,141,900	9,760,000	-6.3	7,156,100	7,606,900
Hartford.....	4,584,629	4,453,882	+2.9	4,063,925	3,449,270
New Haven.....	3,363,374	2,822,243	+19.2	2,756,140	2,164,229
Springfield.....	2,577,639	2,602,301	-1.0	2,145,177	1,759,211
Portland.....	2,167,287	2,245,081	-3.5	2,071,438	1,877,066
Worcester.....	2,807,196	2,634,215	+6.6	2,125,888	2,150,710
Fall River.....	1,645,248	1,369,072	+20.2	1,303,468	1,333,123
New Bedford.....	1,252,487	1,061,372	+18.0	976,636	987,574
Lowell.....	859,847	519,968	+65.4	529,763	499,142
Holyoke.....	841,291	708,377	+18.8	600,000	509,470
Bangor.....	482,646	707,875	-31.8	521,262	.....
Total New Eng.....	192,454,898	192,836,455	-0.2	190,460,437	157,409,996

Note.—For Canadian clearings see "Commercial and Miscellaneous News."

Clearings at—

Week ending Nov. 22.

1913.	1912.	Inc. or Dec.	1911.		1910.	
			\$	%	\$	%
Chicago.....	334,983,540	322,273,314	+3.9	274,215,111	229,096,794	
Cincinnati.....	26,442,900	26,224,700	+0.8	24,894,300	22,317,600	
Cleveland.....	23,339,749	23,329,749	+0.0	18,923,531	16,240,066	
Detroit.....	28,124,052	24,875,483	+13.6	19,614,496	16,304,759	
Milwaukee.....	16,405,529	15,532,500	+5.6	13,034,691	10,959,778	
Indianapolis.....	8,532,651	8,672,319	-1.6	8,886,606	8,407,658	
Columbus.....	6,447,200	6,754,000	-4.5	5,596,400	5,284,200	
Toledo.....	6,349,155	5,305,314	+19.7	4,084,188	3,658,662	
Peoria.....	4,149,518	3,957,145	+4.7	3,825,655	3,193,353	
Grand Rapids.....	3,500,000	3,554,321	-1.5	2,974,594	2,234,351	
Dayton.....	2,645,453	2,307,750	+14.6	2,053,816	1,651,481	
Evansville.....	2,730,425	2,434,434	+12.2	2,571,387	1,972,000	
Kalamazoo.....	686,371	875,142	-21.6	697,533	537,582	
Springfield, Ill.....	1,081,245	1,142,273	-5.3	926,398	758,529	
Fort Wayne.....	1,229,237	1,136,172	+8.2	912,589	815,436	
Akron.....	1,823,000	2,058,000	-11.4	1,417,000	803,000	
Lexington.....	690,733	954,101	-26.6	869,320	845,893	
Youngstown.....	1,439,587	1,523,248	-5.5	1,025,605	782,428	
Rockford.....	996,214	896,396	+11.2	860,562	886,811	
Canton.....	1,655,000	1,271,776	+30.1	1,116,529	915,812	
Quincy.....	799,848	769,652	+3.9	638,962	533,115	
Springfield, Ohio.....	714,411	570,088	+25.3	406,355	427,151	
South Bend.....	690,300	600,000	+15.0	521,959	481,131	
Bloomington.....	585,463	618,716	-5.3	620,453	542,607	
Birmingham.....	488,140	501,194	-2.6	398,161	326,399	
Indianapolis.....	444,629	464,728	-4.3	330,383	356,607	
Dayton.....	610,586	500,000	+11.0	500,000	334,881	
Evansville.....	411,056	449,236	-8.5	449,908	376,205	
Lima.....	475,000	452,236	+5.1	327,433	280,325	
Lansing.....	559,291	507,227	+10.3	381,072	410,214	
Jacksonville, Ill.....	316,955	255,533	+23.9	255,015	192,846	
Ann Arbor.....	179,920	195,401	-7.9	147,273	131,264	
Adrian.....	95,923	40,000	+139.8	43,346	36,274	
Owensboro.....	435,000	442,170	-1.6	497,761	366,263	
Tot. Mid. West.....	480,058,081	461,494,407	+4.0	394,018,372	332,095,876	
San Francisco.....	53,968,932	60,464,489	-10.7	53,513,393	42,340,010	
Los Angeles.....	25,630,600	27,115,349	-5.8	19,475,055	15,328,826	
Seattle.....	13,777,336	12,611,908	+9.3	9,682,449	9,645,427	
Portland.....	12,982,365	12,315,612	+5.4	11,439,756	9,652,375	
Spokane.....	4,729,950	4,825,378	-2.0	4,303,803	4,314,550	
Salt Lake City.....	11,641,693	8,704,299	+33.7	9,190,717	6,944,115	
Tacoma.....	2,367,399	3,167,650	-25.6	3,389,506	2,713,405	
Oakland.....	3,674,277	3,826,323	-4.0	3,269,434	2,684,401	
Sacramento.....	2,712,423	2,452,202	+10.6	1,864,092	1,481,154	
San Diego.....	2,232,300	2,875,959	-22.3	2,000,000	1,172,270	
Fresno.....	1,511,195	1,600,406	-5.6	1,262,126	781,376	
Stockton.....	1,154,587	1,138,873	+1.6	1,150,692	633,193	
Pasadena.....	923,034	1,202,488	-23.2	817,329	611,801	
San Jose.....	658,815	863,612	-23.7	865,530	461,861	
North Yakima.....	500,000	472,444	+5.8	419,272	477,618	
Reno.....	318,324	300,180	+6.0	300,000	229,932	
Total Pacific.....	138,773,230	144,035,172	-3.6	123,123,154	99,492,314	
Kansas City.....	60,885,299	61,805,269	-1.5	52,585,136	45,989,356	
Minneapolis.....	32,283,723	33,320,529	-3.1	25,841,985	21,636,880	
Omaha.....	18,813,966	18,093,105	+4.0	13,590,121	10,267,864	
St. Paul.....	13,249,780	16,098,800	-17.9	13,123,990	13,623,576	
Denver.....	11,952,840	11,872,975	+0.7	11,058,826	9,608,267	
Duluth.....	7,707,415	9,735,518	-20.8	6,330,036	4,324,243	
St. Joseph.....	8,720,473	7,188,592	+21.3	6,916,939	5,395,162	
Des Moines.....	5,036,194	4,855,247	+3.7	3,789,218	3,132,782	
St. Louis.....	3,200,000	2,900,000	+10.3	2,344,506	2,173,732	
Wichita.....	3,657,113	3,540,105	+3.3	3,364,475	2,969,011	
Topeka.....	1,777,957	1,677,894	+6.0	1,549,862	1,404,177	
Lincoln.....	2,064,459	1,764,643	+17.0	1,443,423	1,275,711	
Davenport.....	1,480,785	1,515,770	-2.3	1,463,643	1,462,236	
Cedar Rapids.....	1,535,691	1,680,424	-8.6	1,075,900	1,200,000	
Fargo.....	725,110	534,184	+35.8	883,613	675,708	
Colorado Springs.....	720,405	738,028	-2.8	630,178	602,647	
Pueblo.....	1,393,965	1,461,177	-4.7	1,055,263	748,496	
Remont.....	283,998	278,818	+1.9	276,724	204,411	
Hastings.....	155,638	178,066	-12.6	164,517	160,783	
Aberdeen.....	456,269	451,013	+1.2	343,076	395,032	
Waterloo.....	1,527,213	1,478,344	+3.3	1,013,943	899,244	
Helena.....	1,469,331	1,339,042	+9.7	1,011,251	946,291	
Billings.....	683,749	552,364	+23.8	350,000	153,444	
Tot. oth.						



*STATE AND CITY SECTION.*

With to-day's issue of the "Chronicle" we send to our subscribers a new number of our "State and City-Section" revised to date.

*THE FINANCIAL SITUATION.*

The Eastern railroads have the present week presented arguments in support of their petition for a slight advance in rates. Candor compels the statement that they have made an impressive and what appears to be an impregnable showing. Possibly their appeal to the Commission on this occasion will be effective, though it is not well to be too confident on that point. The only sure thing thus far is that the new freight schedules, embodying the proposed advance, have been definitely suspended until March 12 1914. Probably by that time the Commission will not yet be ready to announce its conclusions, and then the new schedules will again be suspended for a longer or shorter period.

This indicates how unfair is the treatment of the railroads at the hands of the Inter-State Commerce Commission. The present movement for higher rates was initiated many months ago. It was on May 14 that the carriers filed a petition for a re-hearing of the cases which had been decided against them in February 1911. Thus, over a half-year has already elapsed, and the probability is that even if the Commission should now decide in favor of the carriers, at least another six months will elapse before the new rate schedules can be made effective. In the meantime the carriers will have to get along as best they can under the present intolerable conditions, which threaten the solvency of even the staunchest properties.

The Commission has adopted the policy of suspending all proposed rate increases, whatever the merit of the proposition. Is that a policy which can be defended from the standpoint of equity and justice? While Congress cannot be said to have shown in recent years any special consideration for the railroad-carrying interests, it would certainly be going too far to assert that the legislative body, in enacting the law of 1910, under which the Commission derives its power to suspend rate increases, intended that proposed advances should always and invariably be held up. On the contrary, it may be confidently affirmed that it was the purpose that the Commission should use sound sense and good judgment in the matter. If it had been urged that the Commission should act in accordance with some arbitrary and mechanical fixed rule, we are sure the proposition would have been overwhelmingly voted down. At all events, if Congress had intended that no rate advances should ever become effective until the Commission could make a lengthy formal investigation, it would have so provided in the statute. The carriers would have been forbidden in express terms to make rate increases until the Commission had passed upon the matter.

But the law contains no such prohibition. As a matter of fact, it is certain that the power to suspend rates was intended to be used sparingly, and only when the occasion seemed clearly to demand it. Why should a lengthy investigation be needed and a year's time be lost to the detriment of the carrying

interest, when the facts so clearly support the action of the roads in advancing rates? Why should a public body, charged with special knowledge of the subject by reason of its position and function, be ignorant, or pretend to be ignorant, of facts that are known to the whole world? Why should it have to hire Mr. Brandeis to inform itself with regard to a matter as to which it ought to be sufficiently informed from its current knowledge of affairs? Why should the services of this pettifogging gentleman be called into requisition to "develop" mythical facts in the hope that they will run counter to the real facts? The real facts are that there has been a tremendous rise in the operating expenses of the roads, and that no compensating offsets can be found except in an advance in rates. In the first nine months of the current calendar year the Pennsylvania R.R. lines, East and West, added \$19,551,931 to their gross earnings, but nevertheless suffered a loss of \$6,292,649 in net, and the New York Central Lines in like manner, though recording an improvement of \$20,876,258 in gross earnings, show a loss of \$286,941 in net. Moreover, every annual report that comes to hand furnishes new testimony to the fact that the railroads are suffering deeply and grievously.

Why, then, should the Commission invariably suspend and proposed rate advances? Why not be fair and just and use the discretion lodged with it in accordance with rules of equity and justice? Will anyone in his senses maintain that any good, valid reason exists for interfering with the effort to obtain slightly better rates as part compensation for the rise in operating cost? Why, therefore, should the railroads be called upon to endure a year's delay? The members of the Commission in their individual capacity from time to time drop remarks intended to make it appear that they are not indifferent to the welfare of the carriers. In such things, however, action speaks louder than words. And when the Commission adheres to an undeviating rule not to allow the carriers, of their own motion, to put into effect measures for lifting themselves out of their dire extremities; is it strange that the sincerity of their professions should not always be accepted in good faith?

We observe that Representative Jefferson M. Levy of this city has introduced a bill to amend the Inter-State Commerce Law so as to hasten the action of the Commission in such cases. The amendment provides, it is stated, that "all rate cases shall be decided by the Commission within sixty days after being filed." With an extensive program of banking and trust legislation mapped out for Congress, we do not imagine that this bill will receive much consideration at the present time, but there is certainly imperative need of protecting the carriers from the reprehensible and injurious indifference and dilatoriness of the Commission.

Speaking to the American Federation of Labor, with Secretary of Labor Wilson sitting next to him, Mr. Samuel Gompers declared that "when a judge clothed in a little brief authority assumes powers given to the President and Congress, it is a duty to protest." Temperance and accuracy of speech should not be strictly expected from Mr. Gompers, but it is easy to see where he gets aid, if he did not



get his start, in his denunciation of processes which do not please him; for Mr. Roosevelt, one of the most voluble talkers and writers of the day, and one of the most sweeping in breadth of statement, as well as one of the most reckless as to accuracy, is still proclaiming his gospel of disturbance. He is now repeating and continuing, in South America, what he misstated, in his recent elaborate pronunciamento of the Progressive position, in the "Century Magazine."

There he misrepresented and denounced the courts. Upon laws concerning a number of mooted topics, such as workmen's compensation, hours and conditions of labor in certain industries, &c., he said the people have a right to decide for themselves. In his own words:

"Every one of these laws has been denied to the people, again and again, both by national and by State judges, in various parts of the Union. . . . We hold emphatically that these matters are not proper matters for final judicial decision. Moreover, whether they [the judges] are fit or unfit, it is not their province to decide what the people ought or ought not to desire in matters of this kind. We emphatically refuse to subscribe to the doctrine of the divine right of judges, as to the divine right of kings."

In Buenos Aires, Mr. Roosevelt said the people "must not surrender to the judiciary the final decision as to what laws they are permitted to have." In Santiago, he told an audience of young men that "during the last half of the 19th century the leaders of reaction in the United States, political and financial alike, gradually grew to recognize in the judiciary their most powerful potential ally."

We should hardly call this mendacity, for it is probably unconscious misstatement by a man who seems to stop at nothing which can assist the impression he seeks to create. Yet it would be no easy matter to get farther from the truth. We do not believe one line of utterance, from the bench or otherwise, by any judge of importance, in the entire history of the country (certainly in its history since 1850), could be produced which could be stretched to affirm any notion of divine or even special right in judges. As to the assertion just quoted, it is utterly false, historically speaking; the tendency has been in the opposite direction, and we have already pointed out how the processes of nature, in reconstructing the Supreme Court itself (in which only one present member was appointed prior to this century) have tended away from conservatism. The particular matters mentioned by Mr. Roosevelt are surely not "for final judicial decision"; nor is it, nor has it ever been, for judges to decide what the people want or ought to want. Nobody ever affirmed any such sublimated rubbish as this. Once more, let us point out that all judges have attempted to do is to hold up to the people the people's own declaration, written out in deliberate bills of rights called constitutions, of what they desire to do. Somebody must decide what a law means and whether it is legally a law at all. When the income tax comes up, as it probably will, against refusal to accept the interpretation of some point by the collecting officers, the courts must act as arbiter, for interpretation must precede enforcement.

The sovereign people make and unmake and alter constitutions; elect legislatures; declare, through

those what they want; no judge could estop the people, or would dream of trying to do so, any more than he would try to hold back Niagara Falls with a shingle in his hand. Carefully or hastily, wisely or foolishly, the people are supreme; they can follow a bellowing leader over the cliffs to their own destruction if they will.

Mr. Gompers defiantly said that "if we have a word to say of" several judges, whom he named and whom he dislikes, "we are going to say it." So he may. We all have or may have our opinion of decisions and judges, and may express them freely; but that is not to refuse submitting to decisions we disapprove. The "Chronicle" (which some of its subscribers have misunderstood as being opposed to all change) has dissented from and decently criticised decisions, a very recent instance being that of the Supreme Court on the "newspaper" case, no longer ago than last June. As the late Justice Brewer put it, with a quaint simplicity which recalls Lincoln, when a judge has rendered his decision he is subject to reasonable criticism like other folks.

Mr. Roosevelt goes about setting up men of straw and triumphantly knocking them down. He declares that certain propositions which nobody ever dreamed of affirming, so self-evidently wrong are they, are intolerable. He roars that some rights of the people which could no more be taken away than the sun could be pulled from the sky, are in danger, and the people must rise to protect them. Why does he mouth away thus? Because he aspires to leadership in a new party to be formed about himself. He is the most influential misleader of his generation, and seems to care little what direction a wave of popular emotion may take, if he can ride to power on its crest.

While the familiar stories of crime and of occurrences in society have been filling the journals as usual, little attention seems to have been attracted by the narrative of a successful trial of what may prove a most valuable application of modern scientific discovery, that wireless communication from (and, of course, between) moving trains is practicable. According to the story, the conductor in charge of a certain train on the Delaware & Lackawanna road was taken ill while near Scranton, and ordinarily a halt and a telegram and a delay while a substitute was procured would have been unavoidable. But this train was equipped for wireless telegraphy, and is said to be the only one in the world thus equipped as yet; so word was sent ahead to Scranton, and the relief conductor stepped forward, ready to take charge, when the train drew up at the station platform, while the sick one stepped off. On the same trip, also, an additional car was found necessary, and it was ready in Scranton, through using the same means of sending word. This was the second instance of trial of the wireless, and the more successful.

Instead of a ground wire, the rails are used for the ground current, and the usual dynamos employed on the train for operating the lights were found sufficient for the extra service, much to the joy of the road's expert in charge. High "aerials" cannot be used on the train, because of the tunnels and low bridges, so the aerials were made high at the stations,



and while the low ones on the train necessarily made transmission somewhat more difficult, this was also very well overcome; the problem, dimly intelligible to the non-expert, of getting the instruments in the proper "tune," seems likely to be solved also, and the road's expert thinks the only requisite is to get this tuning perfect. The aerial is a wire rectangle over each of four cars, supported at each car corner, while an operating room has been built in the end of one car. The expert believes that a train dispatcher in the terminal can sit before a board on which the exact location of each moving train on the line will be shown to him by wireless, and if he sees any too close he can reach them at any place.

Of course, he adds, "this is all in the future." But what wireless communication has done on the ocean is in every man's mouth and has thrilled every heart with reverent admiration. This is a subject upon which only specialists can claim to have valuable opinions; but any of us can give his imagination flight and is justified in believing that nothing in the mysterious realm of applied scientific discovery can be pronounced impossible. The Lackawanna's experts say the experiments will continue until the adjustments become satisfactory and wireless will then be regular.

Many years ago, the genial "Autocrat" of the "Atlantic Monthly" suggested using the whistle of a stalled train to halt another one, approaching it on the same track, by screaming out the dots and dashes of the Morse telegraphic alphabet. Since then, signal systems have developed, and telegraphing from trains has been experimentally tried. If wireless means become successful and regular on one line, it will soon be so on all. Then not every cause of disaster by rail will be eliminated but collision can be.

In this column two weeks ago we discussed the Treasury regulations with regard to the collection of the income tax on corporation coupon and interest payments and pointed out that the requirements of a certificate of ownership in each instance, to be filed either with the debtor company or the bank or financial institution making the payment, would have the effect of disclosing the identity of the owners of the bonds to those who are not entitled to the knowledge, and would make common property of the names of investors and purchasers now to be found only on the lists of banking and investment houses and which the latter have always jealously guarded. We also printed the letter of a correspondent who suggested a way for modifying the Treasury regulations which would not impair any of their effectiveness, while avoiding unnecessary and objectionable disclosure of private affairs. The following embodies a very simple suggestion along the same lines.

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Dear Sir: I have read the article and letter on page 1,375 of the "Chronicle" of November 15 1913 relative to the regulation in new Federal Income Tax Law which requires a certificate of ownership to be attached to coupons when presented for payment. This provision is undoubtedly working an injustice against bond houses in that names and addresses of their customers have become more or less public property—lists which they have acquired through years of painstaking service.

The remedy for this seems simple. The Government should establish conveniently located revenue offices in

each town. All holders of coupons should present them at the office for their district and either claim the exemption or submit to the tax, the coupons to be stamped accordingly with a distinctive official stamp by the revenue officer. As the exact status of each coupon would then be apparent they could be deposited in banks as cash items as formerly, without going through vexatious collection process that now obtains.

In this way the identity of the holder would not be disclosed except to the revenue officer, upon whom the law enjoins secrecy and to the holder's own bank—which confidential relation he has never seriously objected to.

This would also greatly facilitate the collection of coupons and save the banks much labor, besides putting the burden and annoyance which the Government has thrust upon the banks, upon the Internal Revenue Department, where it rightly belongs.

Sincerely and respectfully yours,

"W. T."

The New York Cotton Exchange, by the action of its board of managers in approving last Friday the recommendations of the special committee appointed early in October to work out a plan of reform in the methods of the organization that have from time to time been the subject of considerable criticism, has probably taken a long step towards warding off hostile legislation by Congress. The committee's recommendations, in the shape of amendments to the Rules and By-Laws of the Exchange, have yet to come before the general membership of the body to be balloted on, but the favorable way in which they were received by the board of managers would seem to give all necessary assurance of their final adoption. Undoubtedly, the most important change proposed is the substitution of the Department of Agriculture standard types of grades for those that have been in use by the Exchange for close to half a century. That step is to be taken unless the Government can be persuaded to adopt the international (or Liverpool) standards in place of their own. As the Government standards are prepared from Gulf and Texas cotton, however, determined effort may be expected to secure the co-operation of the Department of Agriculture and of Congress in having upland types added to the official standards.

Another important recommendation made by the committee is that revision of the differences between grades be made monthly instead of three times a year as at present. This would be a distinct reform in method, serving to eliminate much, if not all, of the adverse comment heretofore directed against fixed differences. The restricting of credit for trading purposes only to members of the Exchange, or to those actively engaged in the cotton trade, is also a move to be commended, as in that way indiscriminate gambling in futures, against which there has been so much criticism, could be largely reduced, if not prevented. Evidently, the reforms proposed are intended to place the New York Cotton Exchange in a position superior to attack.

The warehouse-certificate plan was another subject that engaged considerable of the attention of the special committee during its deliberations. It recommended that efforts be continued to bring the matter to fruition. In line with the action of the special committee, the board of managers has adopted a resolution continuing the committee on Southern warehouses and asking it to work out a practical method of putting into operation a plan of



delivery of cotton in the South. It was upon this particular subject that Senator McLaurin of South Carolina spoke very strongly on his recent visit to New York, urging that the adoption of an effective certificate plan under which cotton could remain in warehouse in the States where grown until shipped direct to the consumer would remove the chief cause of agitation against the New York Cotton Exchange. The co-operation of the Columbia, South Carolina, Chamber of Commerce has already been assured to the Exchange in the putting into effect of such a plan

A considerable expansion in the total of merchandise exports is the feature of the foreign trade statement of the United States for October 1913. The former record for the month (that made in 1912) is broken, and this latest aggregate falls but moderately below that for November 1912 (the high-water mark for any monthly period), when cotton shipments were exceptionally heavy. Imports during the month, as officially announced, on the other hand, were comparatively light, falling quite a little below those for October a year ago, but the decline is apparent rather than real, and hence without significance. As we stated in reviewing the foreign trade data for September, the Government, in order to have the October import statement begin with the operation of the new tariff law, which went into effect at midnight on the 3rd, transferred to September the importations of the first three days of the month. That in itself would account for a large part of the decline, but, in addition, it is to be remembered that large quantities of merchandise were being held in the bonded warehouses of the country, awaiting the passage of the tariff bill to go into consumption, and it is but natural to expect that until those supplies have been measurably absorbed, importations will be more or less restricted.

The increase in the exports is also without much significance, being due to the high price received for our cotton shipments; approximately the same quantity of cotton was exported as last year, but because of the rise in price the value was  $18\frac{1}{2}$  million dollars greater. Provisions exports, moreover, were well above those of last year, and in mineral oils a very decided increase, both in quantity and value, is to be noted. The breadstuffs outflow, however, was of comparatively small magnitude, only about half that of 1912, and cotton-seed oil exhibited a moderate decline. The combined exports of merchandise for the month were \$271,588,726, against \$254,633,504 in 1912 (an increase of not quite 17 million dollars) and \$210,365,516 in 1911; and for the ten months of the current calendar year, at \$2,005,010,884, are of much greater magnitude than for the like period of any preceding year, exceeding 1912 by 135 millions.

The drop in imports in October, from \$177,987,986 in 1912 to \$132,893,960 in 1913, large as it is, we believe, quite wholly accounted for by the explanation offered above. There is no question but that importations of earlier months were considerably swelled by an abnormal inflow of many articles upon which the duties would be reduced under the new tariff bill and delay in its passage merely acted

as an incentive to make further large shipments in this direction, all the goods being entered in bond, pending the final enactment of the measure. Consequently, the passage of the bill on October 3rd found the bonded warehouses of the various parts of the country, especially at New York, carrying a very much larger volume of merchandise than ever before. With the lower duties in force, however, withdrawals were immediately upon an enormous scale, reaching at New York no less than \$20,620,006 for the month this year, against only \$8,933,283 in October 1912—and that about a normal amount. For the ten months of 1913 the imports aggregated \$1,460,188,031, against \$1,510,882,713 in 1912, but exceeded all earlier years. The export balance of \$138,694,766 for October this year is by a wide margin a record for the period, contrasting with 76 million dollars in 1912 and 70 millions in 1908—the year of depression here—and for the ten months at \$544,822,853 is also a high-water mark, comparing with \$359 $\frac{3}{4}$  millions in 1912, about 400 millions in 1911 and 502 millions in 1908.

The gold movement of the month netted a gain of \$4,907,305 (exports having been but \$483,780 and imports \$5,391,085), decreasing to \$22,972,366 the export balance for the ten months of the calendar year. In the like period of 1912, however, we imported net \$6,618,741 and in 1911 the inflow was \$27,032,229. This comparatively large outflow of gold in the face of a record favorable balance on the merchandise movement excites much comment.

Immigration into the United States in September continued on an unprecedented scale for the period of the year, as was the case in July and August, and unofficial data gathered by us foreshadowed a like result for October, with the November movement approximately close to, if not exceeding, 1907. It is to be noted, furthermore, that the departures of aliens in September 1913 was of comparatively small proportions, leaving the net gain in foreign-born population quite a little above 100,000—a figure never before closely approached at this time of year. The official immigration statement for September, from which our deductions are drawn, shows that the inward movement of all classes of aliens for the month this year was 156,688 (made up of 136,247 immigrant and 20,441 non-immigrant, or returning, aliens), Italians predominating in the total with the influx of Hebrews and Polish noticeably large, and those three nationalities making up over half the aggregate. The September 1912 inflow was 128,466, and that of 1911 reached 78,793. For the nine months of the calendar year 1913 the arriving aliens number 1,240,104, contrasting with 897,347 and 704,792, respectively, in 1912 and 1911 and the former record of 1,165,150 in 1907. The departures of steerage passengers were, as stated above, below the average in September, but in earlier months were quite large, so that for the period from Jan. 1 to Sept. 30 they exceed those of any similar nine months since 1908, aggregating 433,779, against 379,630 a year ago. Deducting the emigrants from the immigrants, we have for the nine months of 1913 a net gain in foreign-born population of 806,325, which compares with an increase of 517,717 for the like period of 1912. The 1907 addition, which stands as the record, was 861,901.



The most important developments in the Mexican situation this week have been of a military character. The Federal arms have experienced a number of disastrous defeats, the most significant being the repulse, with severe loss to the Government army, which was attempting to retake Juarez. The Federal troops represented the combined forces of Generals Salazar, Orozco, Carraveo, Rojas and Mancilla. The battle ended on Wednesday afternoon. Shortly before noon on that day the Federals attempted to turn Villa's right flank at Bauche and by one o'clock a large part of their main body had been rushed to that point. By four o'clock their forces had been repulsed all along the line and their flight was so precipitate and disorderly that they abandoned twenty big guns. Advices from Mexico City state that reports of Federal disasters in other parts of the Republic are constantly coming in and indicate that General Huerta's dictatorship is surely crumbling. Huerta, however, has apparently decided to fight to the end. One hundred members of the Chamber of Deputies which was dissolved when he assumed the dictatorship a short time ago have been ordered into separate cells and no one, not even members of their families, is allowed to communicate with them. It is reported that several will be executed without further ceremony, the explanation of which is to be the alleged discovery of a plot to seize Mexico City as soon as the main body of Federal troops departed on the Federal expedition. It is now admitted by the Huerta Government that Victoria, the capital of Tamaulipas, has been destroyed by rebels, that General Rubio Navarette's command has been cut to pieces at La Cruz north of Victoria and that the road has been opened for the Constitutionalists' advance upon Tampico. Press accounts from Juarez state that General Villa is securing equipment for an army of 12,000 men with which he will move against the City of Chihuahua at once. General Carranza, the leader of the Constitutionalists, has announced that he will advance his headquarters from Sonora into the State of Chihuahua, thus taking a step nearer the capital of the republic. Threats of the rebels to destroy the oil plants unless the producers agree to make no deliveries of oil to the National Railways may, it is feared at Mexico City, cripple the entire transportation of Federal troops. The Huerta government is taking active measures to drive the rebels out of the oil country. Rear-Admiral Fletcher, commanding the American warship fleet on the Gulf coast of Mexico, has been ordered by Washington to proceed to Tampico and Tuxpam to make a thorough investigation of the situation there, which threatens, it is reported, to develop a serious and dangerous phase. It is in this region that great British and American oil interests are located. Representations looking to the protection of British property by the United States have already been received by the State Department.

Owing to a typographical error in the Official Gazette, a mistake was made in the publication of the new stamp taxes decreed by General Huerta. The stamp tax on the output of gold and silver has not been doubled, but remains the same, namely 3½% on gold and silver shipped abroad as ore and 2½% on gold and silver reduced in Mexico. The annual

tax on mines, however, has been doubled, as well as the tax on title deeds of mines, and under the new fiscal measure will be 10 pesos a hectare.

The oil and other concessions obtained by Lord Murray of Elibank in the Republic of Colombia, where he went on behalf of the Pearson interests, have been surrendered by Lord Cowdray, the head of the Pearson syndicate, who decided to abandon all efforts to carry through the proposed exploitation. Lord Cowdray in London on Wednesday made the following explanation: "Our application for a Colombian oil concession has been withdrawn by Lord Murray of Elibank. He took this action when he saw that the request for a concession was being used to stir up American opposition to the Pearson interests. I have just been informed of this action, which was taken on Lord Murray's own initiative. Our withdrawal is definite and absolute." The concessions sought from the Colombian Government lacked the sanction of the Colombian Congress. They had already been approved by the Colombian President and his Cabinet and would have given the Pearson concern arbitrary rights to construct harbor-works and canals in connection with Colombian oil deposits.

The new Italian Parliament convened in Rome on Thursday. King Victor Emmanuel in his speech at the opening was particularly democratic in his remarks. According to press dispatches, he declared, "amid thunderous cheers from every part of the Senate and House," that "what we here this day inaugurate is not a new Parliament, but a new epoch in Italian life." His Majesty linked an appeal to Italian patriotism with a reaffirmation of the Government's policy of placing the burden of fresh taxation on the shoulders of the wealthier classes. The speech announced that many reforms were to be introduced, and alluded to the intention of the Government to "give Italian women their rightful place."

The Imperial German Parliament, after a recess of nearly five months, assembled on Tuesday. One of the first petitions presented was one for the introduction of women's suffrage in Germany. The program for the session includes many measures, one dealing with military speeches, against which newspapers representing all parties have protested; another for the regulation of petroleum monopolies, directed against the operations in Germany of the Standard Oil Company to America; and also measures for the protection of strike-breakers and the relief of unemployed workmen. The rapid increase in the interest taken by Germany in Latin America is indicated by the provision made in the Imperial Budget of 1914 for the raising of the rank to full legations of the Resident Ministers now accredited to the Republics of Guatemala, Venezuela and Peru, and the establishment of a German consulate at Panama. The German Consul at Montreal, Canada, is raised to a Consulate General. Germany apparently is about to abandon its subsidy to the North German-Lloyd steamship lines running to the Orient and Australasia, as the estimate of \$761,250 covers only the six months until the expiration of the present contract on Oct. 1 next year. A petition is, it is



reported, about to be presented to the Reichstag by the "Independent San Francisco Committee," asking for an appropriation of \$500,000 for a German building at the Panama-Pacific Exposition in San Francisco in 1915, and urging that an adequate display is of vital necessity to German industry. Otherwise, the petitioners say, Great Britain will be allowed to crowd Germany out of the markets of North and South America, especially in regard to textiles and machinery. It is believed that the object of the petitioners is supported by a sufficiently strong body in the Reichstag to assure the voting of the appropriation.

The London Stock Exchange this week has shown a better undertone, though there has been a complete absence of activity. Investment stocks, however, have responded to the resumption of moderate buying after a period of complete inaction. London & Northwestern Ry., for instance, closed at 130, comparing with 127 on Friday of last week, and the Great Western Ry. shares finished at 114 $\frac{3}{4}$ , against 113 $\frac{1}{4}$ . The success last week of the Montreal City bond issue seems to have been a turning point in English financial sentiment. This was aided by the results of the fortnightly settlement on the London Stock Exchange, which unexpectedly revealed a general scarcity of stocks. Contangoes on Americans at the settlement were 5 $\frac{1}{4}$ %, or an increase of about  $\frac{1}{4}$ % from the preceding settlement. The recent bye-elections also appear to have created a better feeling on the ground that they represent a reactionary movement from the socialistic proclivities of the Lloyd-George Government. The policy of curtailing new flotations at the British centre has apparently been successful and underwriters are again finding that they have been gradually disposing of the securities with which they, to use London Stock Exchange parlance, were "landed" in the recent unsuccessful issues. A straw showing the direction of the investment situation is the fact that recent Australian issues, fully 70% of which went to underwriters at the public offerings, have now not only all gone into the hands of investors but are commanding a slight premium. The improvement in British and Scotch railways may also be due to the close approach of the dividend season. The London market during the last month, however, has been dull rather than actually weak. The usual monthly compilation of the "Bankers' Magazine" of London, which is based on the aggregate valuation of 387 securities on the London Stock Exchange list, shows, as reported by cable, a decrease of only £15,264,000, or four-tenths of 1%. The largest decline was in South African stocks, which registered a loss of 6.5% from the October figures, following a reduction of 5.7% the preceding month. The decline in British railways was only one-tenth of 1%, in foreign government stock two-tenths of 1% and in British Home railways eight-tenths of 1%. The seventeen American railroad issues contained in the compilation were virtually without net change, the decline amounting to only seven-hundredths of 1%.

There has, owing chiefly to the release of underwriter's funds, been a perceptible easing of the London money situation, and discounts in Lombard Street also are showing a more comfortable tendency.

There seems, though, according to usually conservative London correspondents, slight prospects of any activity at that centre until the Mexican situation has more definitely cleared and until the French national loan has been successfully distributed and Paris bankers are enabled to release their funds by converting their private loans made to the former Balkan belligerents into formal Balkan State loans. The fact that the Bank of England has not thus far been compelled to advance its discount rate is leading to the quite general belief that such an advance will now be avoided. The only uncertainty that seems to remain is whether New York will continue to refrain from drawing on its large balances that have accumulated at the British centre. The active movement of gold from New York to Canada, which is very largely the result of sales in New York of grain bills drawn on London against shipments of Canadian wheat, is complicating the situation, but it seems hardly probable that any important trans-Atlantic movement of gold this way will take place. Easier money conditions in Berlin suggest that there will be no important Continental competition at the weekly offerings of Cape gold on the London market. At last Tuesday's offering of £1,120,000, £150,000 was secured by India and £150,000 for Russia, the Bank, it is understood, securing the remainder.

Balkan State securities on the London market have this week ruled about steady, evidently being supported in view of the approaching offerings of newer issues. Bulgarian sixes closed unchanged at 99, Greek monopoly fours without alteration from 55 and Servian unified fours also without change from 79 $\frac{1}{2}$ , while Turkish fours are  $\frac{1}{2}$  point higher for the week at 86 $\frac{1}{2}$ . British consols closed at 73, against 72 11-16 a week ago; Russian fours are without change from 89 and German Imperial threes remain at 75.

Paris is still awaiting developments in respect to the national loan. The legislation authorizing the new issue of rentes has not yet been enacted, although there seems slight chance of any more than partisan interference, since the Government has decided to push its proposals through the Deputies as a pure Ministry measure, and, having ample support, it will call upon the Chamber for a vote of confidence. It is quite probable, therefore, that the original intention of offering the new loans to investors about the middle of December may be carried out. It appears that the opposition to the Government's proposal emanates primarily from the Radical Party under the leadership of three former Premiers, namely Emile Combes, Joseph Caillaux and Georges Clemenceau. These leaders demand that instead of 1,300,000,000 francs the new loan shall be for only 900,000,000 francs and that it must be subject to taxation. They also demand that the Government must find other means of fresh taxation than the inheritance duties. None of these demands will, it is announced, be accepted by the Government, which, however, is proposing a somewhat novel tax change, namely that all French bachelors and spinsters more than thirty years old, unless they have at least three persons dependent on them, are to be subject to an increase of 20% on the income tax imposed by the bill now under consideration. The Senate committee



in charge of the bill introduced such a clause on Wednesday when it terminated its examination of the measure which has taken four years to prepare. The report is to be submitted shortly to the Senate. The allocation of the new loan, which is officially styled "an issue of thirteen hundred million francs of 3% perpetual rentes to provide for extraordinary military expenditures on national defense and for the Morocco expedition," will be as follows: expenses for the issue and interest, 36,000,000 francs; Morocco estimates, 404,000,000 francs; military expenditures, \$860,000,000 francs. The last-named figure falls short of the original rough estimates that was formed, but the Minister of Finance in his preamble to the bill makes the following explanation: "No doubt it is conceivable that supplementary measures may eventually require supplementary estimates. But we have considered that only the more or less immediate payments required justify recourse to a loan. We have, indeed, every reason to hope that besides surpluses which, through the stronger organization of our fiscal system, may be expected, the Treasury, which will recover complete elasticity, owing specifically to the present operation, will be able to meet possible supplementary payments." The new three per cents will be "perpetual" but not irredeemable. The preamble of the bill devotes half its text to a statement of and arguments for the method of redemption proposed by the Government. It declares that in the present condition of the money market redemption by re-purchase of stock is the only possible method, as it is the least expensive for the State and the most favorable to national credit and thrift. The bill provides that a sum of 75,000,000 francs shall be set aside annually for the re-purchase in the open market of perpetual rentes which will be returned to the Treasury and canceled. It is hoped thus to redeem the entire new loan within thirty years and the Minister of Finance expects that in sixty years from now the nominal capital of the Perpetual National French Debt will have been reduced by 3,500,000,000 francs. The closing quotation for French rentes was 86.47½ francs. One week ago it was 87 francs.

In Berlin trade reaction is rapidly releasing money and funds are available now at 2½%. Cash is reported to be flowing into Berlin from the provinces and is being accumulated in anticipation of large State loans that are promised early in the new year. It is expected that under these conditions the end of the year settlement will make a favorable contrast with the settlements of 1911 and 1912 and the fact that Berlin private bank discounts are now down to 4½% as a maximum is lending considerable color to recent reports that the managers of the Reichsbank were discussing a further reduction from the 5½% official Bank rate that is now current. Berlin banks in their market letters lay particular stress upon the accumulation of funds that is now taking place. An indication of the general reaction is the distinct falling off in building operations because of the difficulty of borrowing money, which, while abundant, reflects the presence of a cautious attitude. The Municipal Council of Breslau (Prussia), in view of this condition, on Tuesday appropriated 25,000,000 marks to establish a municipal department to lend this money on first mortgages.

Private bank discounts in Lombard Street closed at fractional declines. Short bills were quoted at 4 15-16%, against 5 1/8% a week ago and long bills were quoted at 4 7/8%, against 5%. The private bank rate in Paris has been reduced ¼%, to 3 1/2%, and in Berlin the quotation is 4 1/8%, against 4 1/4% a week ago. In Vienna a reduction of 3/8% has taken place in the private bank rate to 5 3/8%, following a reduction of 1/2% to 5 1/2% in the official Bank rate. Brussels is without change from 4 7-16%, while Amsterdam is 1-16% lower at 4 7/8%. Official rates at the leading foreign centres are: London 5%; Paris 4%; Berlin 5 1/2%; Vienna 5 1/2%; Brussels 5%, and Amsterdam 5%.

The Bank of England in its weekly return on Thursday reported an increase of £602,126 in gold coin and bullion holdings and of £589,000 in the total reserve. The proportion of reserve to liabilities is 54.38%, which compares with 54.97% a week ago and 50.81% a year ago. Loans (other securities), however, registered an expansion of £1,604,000. Ordinary deposits increased £2,476,000 but public deposits decreased £862,000. The Bank now holds £37,422,608 in gold, which compares with £37,786,270 a year ago and £37,357,243 in 1911. The loans aggregate £29,591,000 and compare with £31,760,000 one year ago and £28,911,031 in 1911. Our special correspondent furnishes the following details by cable of the gold movement into and out of the Bank for the Bank week: Imports, £470,000 (of which £79,000 from South America and £391,000 bought in the open market); exports, \$55,000 (earmarked Straits), and receipts of £187,000 net from interior of Great Britain.

In its weekly return the Bank of France reported an increase of 33,000 francs in gold and of 2,670,000 francs in silver. Meanwhile note circulation decreased 21,425,000 francs, treasury deposits increased 12,800,000 francs, general deposits indicated an expansion of 156,325,000 francs, discounts are 145,850,000 francs higher, but the Bank's advances decreased 9,875,000 francs. The Bank's gold holdings now aggregate 3,526,096,000 francs, which compares with 3,220,324,000 francs a year ago. Note circulation stands at 5,648,746,000 francs, against 5,687,750,000 francs a year ago and discounts aggregate 1,598,157,000 francs, against 1,586,364,000 francs in 1912.

A particularly favorable presentation was made in the weekly statement of the Imperial German Bank which was published on Tuesday. Gold on hand increased 22,704,000 marks and total cash showed an expansion of 43,385,000 marks. Deposits were 74,171,000 marks higher, but all other items indicated contraction in liabilities, note circulation registering a decrease of 90,893,000 marks, loans of 3,664,000 marks and discounts of 50,776,000 marks. Treasury bills were 19,995,000 marks smaller. The total cash holdings now amount to 1,571,440,000 marks, which is an increase of more than 429,000,000 marks from the total of 1912, which was 1,142,400,000 marks. In 1911 the corresponding amount was 1,147,500,000 marks. Combining loans and discounts, we have a total of 900,184,000 marks; in 1912 the amount stood at 1,365,300,000



marks and in 1911 1,168,884,000 marks. Note circulation is the only important liability still above last year's figures. It amounts to 1,836,726,000 marks and compares with 1,796,020,000 marks in 1912 and 1,653,700,000 marks in 1911.

In local money circles there have been two distinct drains. First has been the steady demand for gold for exportation to Canada, which we refer to more specifically in our remarks on sterling exchange in another column. The second has been the usual accumulation of funds by the banks and trust companies in preparation for the customary December dividend and interest disbursements. As a result, call money advanced to 10% on Friday, comparing with 3½%—the highest figure current last week. The strength has not spread to any measurable extent to the market for fixed maturities, where quotations remain but slightly in advance of those current a week ago. The latter fact is significant, since it suggests a disposition on the part of banks and other lenders to regard the two influences already referred to as temporary. The conceded reactionary tendency that is being shown in trade and industrial activities, not unnaturally, is releasing funds. There will, of course, be some improvement in this demand over the year-end, but there seems nothing to suggest any thing like stringent money in the near future. The New York bank position is not a strong one, especially in view of the active demands for gold by Canada. Last Saturday's statement of the Clearing-House banks and trust companies indicated a surplus of \$12,338,550, which is certainly not large, although it compares with only \$6,765,100 a year ago. Loans were shown to have increased \$21,744,000 and deposits registered the corresponding increase of \$21,444,000. The latter, of course, increased the reserve requirements—by \$4,789,300. Therefore, while the cash loss by the banks and trust companies was only \$1,277,000, the actual surplus above requirements decreased \$6,066,300. The banks during the week lost \$2,096,000 and the trust companies increased \$819,000. A transfer through the sub-Treasury of \$1,300,000 in gold was made yesterday to San Francisco.

The range in call money this week has been 2¾@10%. On Monday the lower figure named was the minimum and ruling rate, with 3% the highest figure; on Tuesday, 3¾% continued the lowest and renewal rate; but the maximum reached 4%; Wednesday's highest was 5%, lowest 3% and ruling figure 4%; Thursday was a holiday; on Friday the highest and lowest, respectively, were 10% and 5%, with renewals at 7%. Time money closed at 5% for sixty days (against 4¾@5% a week ago), 5% for ninety days, against 4¾@5%, 4¾@5% for four months (unchanged), 4¾@5% for five months (unchanged) and 4¾@5% for six months (against 4¾%). Mercantile paper remains unchanged at 5¼@5¾% for sixty and ninety-day endorsed bills receivable and for four to six months single names of choice character. Others are still quoted at 6@6½%.

The sterling exchange situation continues more or less artificial. Rates are at or very close to the point at which it is calculated importations of gold from London are justified, and could take place with-

out loss. Instead of importing the precious metal, however, New York has been supplying it during the week in large volume to Canada, \$11,100,000 having been taken in addition to the \$2,500,000 noted in last week's issue of the "Chronicle." Of this total, \$3,000,000 has been taken from the vaults of the Clearing House and the remainder from the Sub-Treasury. Other gold exports for the week included \$180,000 to Mexico and \$100,000 to Hayti. The movement to Canada, as we stated a week ago, represents very largely the proceeds of sales of grain bills drawn on London against shipments of grain from the Dominion, and sold in this market. In addition, it represents remittances through Canadian banks of the proceeds of Canadian municipal and other bonds that have been recently placed in London, the Canadian banks finding it more convenient to draw on their New York balances for the purpose of making an actual transfer of funds rather than arranging for shipments of gold from London by way of New York. A third explanation is the fact that the fiscal year of some of the Canadian banks ends with November; there is consequently encouragement to make as favorable a showing as possible in the matter of gold holdings. It is getting rather late in the season for the Canadian banks to take out new circulation by depositing gold in the Central Reserve established by the Canadian Bank Act, which was inaugurated in September. The banks under the Act, as we have explained in previous issues, are allowed to deposit current gold coin or Dominion notes, and they can then issue against such deposits their own notes in excess of capital, free of tax up to the amount of their deposits in the Central Reserve. As, however, there is usually a note contraction in Canada during December and January, the natural tendency of the Bank Act should be to release at least part of the gold thus deposited. New York exchange in Montreal closed yesterday at 77½c. discount per \$1,000, which suggests that the demand for New York funds is not yet ended. However, the opinion in financial circles at New York which are closely in touch with Canadian affairs seems to be quite distinct that the outward movement of gold to the Dominion will culminate early in December. With easier private bank discounts in London, and an apparent easing of the money situation as a whole at the British centre, slight reason seems apparent to expect that the Bank of England will be forced to arbitrarily advance its discount rate to 6%. The money situation in Germany has shown distinct improvement, and funds in Paris are rapidly accumulating, awaiting the definite announcement of the French national loan. This supply will be available necessarily for day-to-day loans at least for the next fortnight, as there is no possibility, apparently, of the French loan being offered before mid-December. Foreign exchange houses are experiencing a specific demand for remittances by importers of merchandise in payment for foreign merchandise imported before the new tariff went into operation, and which has subsequently been released from bond under the new tariff schedules.

There is no doubt that a very large balance on merchandise account exists abroad in favor of this country. Some idea of the recent trend is contained



in the official Government statement of October commerce, which is referred to in detail in another column.

The Continental exchanges, as was quite natural, in view of the easier discounts in London, have shown a slight reaction this week from the distinct pressure in favor of London. The sterling check rate in Paris closed last evening, as reported by cable, at 25.29½ francs, which compares with 25.32½ francs a week ago. In Berlin, demand sterling finished at 20.49½ marks, against 20.51 marks last week, and Berlin exchange in Paris at 123.37 francs, against 123.42½ francs a week ago.

Compared with Friday of last week, sterling exchange on Saturday fluctuated irregularly, an advance at the opening, when demand went up to 4 8560, being followed by a reaction later, on the appearance of a disappointing bank statement; demand finished at 4 8545@4 8555 and cable transfers at 4 8595@4 8605 (5 points above the previous day's close); sixty days was unchanged at 4 81@4 8125. On Monday the tone was slightly firmer, with trading quiet and featureless; the range was 4 8550@4 8555 for demand, 4 8605@4 8610 for cable transfers and 4 8120@4 8135 for sixty days. Demand receded 5 points, to 4 8545, in the early transactions on Tuesday, but subsequently rallied and closed at 4 8550@4 8560; cable transfers were firmer at 4 8610@4 8615 and sixty days at 4 8125@4 8135. On Wednesday sterling suffered a sharp decline, chiefly on the rise in call money here and easier discounts at London; cable transfers declined to 4 8580@4 8590, being relatively easier than demand, which receded 15 points to 4 8530@4 8540, with sixty days at 4 81@4 8110. Thursday was a holiday. On Friday the market ruled weak, as a result, chiefly, of the flurry in money at New York. Closing quotations were 4 8085@4 81 for sixty days, 4 8515@4 8525 for demand and 4 8570@4 8580 for cable transfers. Commercial on banks closed at 4 79¼@4 80¾, documents for payment finished at 4 80¼@4 81¼ and seven-day grain bills at 4 84@4 84¼. Cotton for payment closed at 4 80¼@4 80½, grain for payment 4 81@81¼.

The New York Clearing-House banks, in their operations with interior banking institutions, have gained \$4,458,000 net in cash as a result of the currency movements for the week ending Nov. 28. Their receipts from the interior have aggregated \$12,067,000, while the shipments have reached \$7,612,000. Adding the Sub-Treasury operations and the gold exports, which together occasioned a loss of \$17,845,000, the combined result of the flow of money into and out of the New York banks for the week appears to have been a loss of \$13,390,000, as follows:

Week ending November 28.	Into Banks.	Out of Banks.	Net Change in Bank Holdings.
Banks' interior movement.....	\$12,067,000	\$7,612,000	Gain \$4,455,000
Sub-Treas. oper'ns and gold exports.....	14,873,000	32,718,000	Loss 17,845,000
Total .....	\$26,940,000	\$40,330,000	Loss \$13,390,000

The following table indicates the amount of bullion in the principal European banks.

Banks of	Nov. 27 1913.			Nov. 28 1912.		
	Gold.	Silver.	Total.	Gold.	Silver.	Total.
England.....	£ 37,422,608	£ -----	£ 37,422,608	£ 37,786,270	£ -----	£ 37,786,270
France.....	141,043,880	25,721,240	166,765,120	128,812,560	29,653,040	158,465,600
Germany.....	62,718,450	14,100,000	76,818,450	41,799,100	15,321,300	57,120,400
Russia.....	167,358,000	5,826,000	173,184,000	157,518,000	6,459,000	163,977,000
Aus Hun.....	51,207,000	10,561,000	61,768,000	51,725,000	10,868,000	62,593,000
Spain.....	18,971,000	29,159,000	48,130,000	17,382,000	29,602,000	46,984,000
Italy.....	45,546,000	2,950,000	48,496,000	42,673,000	3,550,000	46,223,000
Neth lands.....	12,459,000	683,800	13,142,800	13,872,000	591,200	14,463,200
Nat.Belg.....	8,405,333	4,202,667	12,608,000	7,588,000	3,794,000	11,382,000
Sweden.....	5,695,000	-----	5,695,000	5,583,000	-----	5,583,000
Switz'land.....	6,875,000	-----	6,875,000	7,125,000	-----	7,125,000
Norway.....	2,550,000	-----	2,550,000	2,281,000	-----	2,281,000
Total week.....	560,251,271	93,203,707	653,454,978	514,144,930	99,838,540	613,983,470
Prev. week.....	558,307,292	92,808,180	651,115,472	513,309,494	99,755,260	613,064,754

SENATE COMMITTEE'S REPORT ON CURRENCY BILL.

With last Saturday's reports by the two wings of the Senate Banking Committee, the Banking and Currency Bill now passes into what may be called the fourth stage of legislation. The first consisted in the outlining of the general plan before the bill went to the House of Representatives. That task, though it laid the foundations of the measure which has subsequently been before the people, was in many respects very crudely performed. Too many hands were at work on it; and altogether too many conflicting ideas found means of obtaining expression in it. As it stood in its original published shape, it was not a workable statute—this being especially true of the note issue provisions, but hardly less so in such clauses as that which gave to the National Board the sole power to fix the discount rate for every regional reserve bank—a really absurd proposal.

The second stage of legislation came when the bill, thus tentatively drawn, went into the hands of the House Banking Committee. In the eight or nine weeks during which that committee held the bill, much extremely careful work was done, resulting in numerous important and beneficial changes whereby the worst of the original crudities were removed, and the bill, in many respects, transformed from an impossible statute into one which could at least be seriously discussed and practically perfected. The note issue provision in particular was strengthened by the addition of stipulations which were bound to operate, more than has ever been possible under the present National Bank Act, to compel the prompt redemption of outstanding notes when the trade need for them was over. It will be remembered that a number of the important recommendations of the Bankers' Conference at Chicago were adopted by this committee, which also added the important provision for an Advisory Council of bankers, to co-operate with the Government in the framing of policies of the Federal Reserve Board. The third stage of the discussion began when the House bill went to the Senate Committee, nearly ten weeks ago. The fourth now begins with the debate in open Senate.

The Senate Committee's deliberation on the bill has aroused much comment of a very singular character. There seemed to exist in many quarters a notion that the bill must at all hazards be passed in the extra session which expires to-day. But it very soon became evident that this would be possible only if the House bill were to be reported by the Committee with a minimum of examination of its provisions and a minimum of amendments. When, therefore, the Senate Committee arranged extensive hearings and engaged in prolonged discussion of the bill's provisions, there arose an angry outcry that the Committee proposed blockading the currency legislation. One New York newspaper has constantly published cartoons representing the "Money Trust" as maliciously shutting the door to remedial legislation.

When one considers what this legislation means to the country as a whole and to every citizen in it, and how completely the usefulness of the bill might be ruined by mistaken or imperfect provisions, it is difficult to be patient with such an attitude. We are confident that we express the intelligent sentiment of the country in saying that the Senate Committee



deserves the thanks of the people as a whole for refusing to defer to this demand for careless haste. That Committee has, indeed, helped to perform the functions for which the Senate was established by the United States Constitution—as a body whose contribution to conservative legislation should be its careful review, criticism, amendment and perfection of measures hastily passed by the House of Representatives.

We regard it also as fortunate that the Senate Committee submitted two reports. Not only are there two such reports, indeed, but there is no majority or minority report, such as would give the natural right of way before the Senate to the report signed by the larger number of committeemen. The concurrence of the Democratic Senator Hitchcock with the five Republicans on the Committee divided that committee six to six. Thus, there are really three measures now before the Senate—the House bill, the bill as amended by the Democrats and the bill as amended by the Republicans.

In its main particulars, both reports from the Senate Committee accept the provisions of the House bill. Neither proposes a single nor central bank. Both agree that the Federal Reserve Board should be made up wholly of Government appointees. Both describe the proposed note issues as "Government obligations". In substance, the machinery for re-discounting is the same. In all these respects, the two reports accept the provisions of the House bill.

On the other hand, both of the Senate Committee's reports agree that certain sections in the House bill must be changed. Each of the reports concludes that no Government officers should be members of the National Board except the Secretary of the Treasury—thus dropping the Comptroller of the Currency, who would always be the agent of the Board and not a member of it, and the Secretary of Agriculture, who never had any more business on such a board than the Secretary of War. Each report concludes that twelve regional banks would be too many, and would lead to the creation of some institutions, relatively too weak to serve their proper purpose. Each deems the subscription to regional bank stock by subscribing banks in the proportion of 20 per cent of their capital to be too large. Each places a gold requirement in the reserve provisions against the notes. Both propose more careful and satisfactory provisions for the two per cent Government bonds and both propose that the Aldrich-Vreeland Emergency Currency Act should be extended beyond the date at which it is due to expire—June 30 of next year.

While, however, thus agreeing as to the need of amendments of these sections, the two reports do not concur in the method of achieving them. We think that fact a distinct advantage, because it presents the alternatives, thus helping to enlighten discussion. In the matter of the regional banks, for instance, the Democratic report proposes eight, with branches; the Republican report proposes only four. Both reports cut the ratio of actual subscription by individual banks to the regional bank stock from 20 per cent of their capital alone, as in the House bill, to 6 per cent of their capital and surplus combined, or say 10 per cent of the capital alone. But while the Democrats would offer to public subscription only such balance as might not be subscribed by banks, the Republicans would offer the stock to the public in the first place, merely leaving

the banks to underwrite it and to take what was not placed with the public. Again, as regards the notes, which are made redeemable in "gold or lawful money" by the House bill, the Democrats propose that the Treasury shall redeem them in gold alone, but that a Federal bank may redeem them in "gold or lawful money". The Republicans strike out wholly the provision regarding "lawful money," making all the redemption and reserve provisions, in connection with the notes, a matter of gold alone. As to the 2 per cents now pledged against the national bank circulation, both plans propose that the Federal reserve bank of a given district be allowed to redeem the present notes of subscribing banks by assuming, up to a given annual proportion or amount, the 2 per cents held against them; those bonds to be exchanged for one-year United States 3 per cents, and the Federal Reserve Bank to issue its own notes against them. But the two proposals differ in their particulars. In the matter of extending the Aldrich-Vreeland plan, the Democratic report would carry it forward to the end of 1914, while the Republicans fix its new limitation at June 30 1915. The Republican report also proposes that the reserve against outstanding notes at any of the Federal reserve banks shall be increased from 33 1-3 per cent, as in the House bill, to 45 per cent, but with a tax on any deficiency below that ratio until 30 per cent is reached, after which no more notes shall be issued until the ratio of reserves is restored. The Democratic bill simply raises the ratio of reserves to notes from 33 1-3 per cent to 35 per cent.

In some of the changes proposed, a very radical difference exists between the two Senate Committee reports. One of them is the proposal for the directorate of the regional banks. As the bill now stands, the board of such a bank is to include nine members, six of them chosen by subscribing banks and three by the Federal Reserve Board. Bankers would thus control the regional bank directorates. The Republican Senate committee proposes instead that the Government name five of these nine regional bank directors. We regard this proposal as most objectionable. The very purpose of the bill, which is actually a compromise between Government and bank control of the general system, would be upset by it. It is, therefore, a reassuring fact that the Democratic report opposes any change of that nature. On the other hand, in the section empowering the Federal Reserve Board to order one regional bank to discount paper for another, and in which the pending House bill says that five members out of the seven on the Federal board must be present and concurring in any such legislation, the Senate Committee's Democratic report strikes out all this limitation, whereas the Republican report would require that six members thus concur. We consider this important. Authority for that board to suspend reserve requirements is struck out entirely by the Republicans. Neither report increases the powers of the Advisory Council, which we think is regrettable. Both, unfortunately, leave in the text of their measures the declaration that the new notes to be issued "for the purpose of making advances to Federal reserve banks and for no other purpose." This is a bit of Bryanism, which has done more than any other single thing to mar the measure as it stands and to confuse public discussion of it.

All things considered, it seems to us that the banking and currency bill is very greatly improved.



by the Senate Committee's labors, and that the chances of a workable measure are substantially increased. It is reassuring to find from the Washington dispatches a general impression that the Senate in the opening debate will be inclined to be swayed in their opinion by the argument on the bill. When, indeed, one takes account of the fact that all points in the controversy are now finally before the public, and also recalls the frequency with which, in Congressional legislation, grave defects, remaining after the vote of both houses, are removed in the conference committee to which the House and Senate bills go for final readjustment, there is some reasonable hope that this important task may at least be carried out in a shape which will make the experiment economically safe and possible. Whether this end can be properly achieved through the present effort to force a vote in the Senate before Christmas, is another question. That will depend on the fairness, thoroughness and sincerity of the debate, the ability of the debaters to present all sides of the questions arising, and the absence of stubborn prejudice in considering drastic amendments.

#### RAILROAD INVESTMENT LOSSES AND WHO BEARS THEM.

At the present time, when the Inter-State Commerce Commission is giving hearings on the petition of the Eastern railroads for a moderate advance (5% is all that is asked) in freight rates in order to partially compensate for the tremendous rise in expenses which has occurred within the last few years, it seems timely to pause for a moment and consider whether any class of the population can claim to be exempt from the effects of the great shrinkage in the value of railroad securities which has followed from the cause mentioned and from the generally harsh treatment to which the rail-carriers have been subjected. The railroads of the United States have come to a pass where, if the margin of net income above expenses and fixed charges is not increased, they will no longer be able efficiently and satisfactorily to perform their functions as public carriers or command sufficient investment confidence to enable them to raise the new capital needed for their extension and development. Furthermore, if the tendency of the margin of profit to diminish is not arrested, the decline in security values which has been the feature of recent times will go on and the properties themselves will be heading for inevitable bankruptcy. The demand for a slight increase in freight rates is made with the serious purpose of averting such a deplorable catastrophe.

Yet the slight concession asked for is being seriously opposed by many well-meaning people who think it good policy to antagonize every effort of the railroads to improve their income standing. Unfortunately, there are still a great many persons who think the railroads, and the investment represented by them, stand in a class apart from the community itself, and that blows aimed at them can do no harm to any one else. It seems not to be generally recognized that the people own the railroads and that any hardships to which these transportation agencies may be subjected will in the end fall upon the people themselves. A few capitalists may hold large blocks

of railroad securities, but the great bulk of the securities is owned by large masses of the population. The number of shareholders of all the leading companies is steadily increasing, as is evident from the reports of these companies. As a matter of fact, however, the interest of the general public in these highways of commerce is not confined to direct investments. The indirect ownership in the properties is equally if not more important. By indirect ownership we mean ownership through savings banks, life insurance companies and the like. Consider the huge number of depositors in savings banks and the enormous amount of their aggregate deposits, large portions of which are invested in railroad securities. Then go a step further and contemplate the enormous shrinkage that has been experienced in railroad security values as a result of the harmful Governmental policies that have been pursued. In special instances imprudent management may have served to accentuate the losses sustained, but these losses are so general, so pronounced and so widespread, being manifest in the case of the staunchest and best administered properties as well as those not distinguished in that way, that they can be referred only to a common cause which is dragging them all down.

If it be deemed an exaggeration to say that the people themselves are the chief sufferers from the shrinkage in values that has come with the impairment of the earning capacity of the properties, we would refer to the fact that in New York State alone, according to the report of the Banking Department for July 1 1913, there were over three million depositors (3,119,205), and that the aggregate deposits of these institutions at that date reached \$1,724,607,279. These deposits have to be invested in interest-bearing securities, and such has been the decline in the market value of these securities that on July 1 1913 there was a loss to the institutions from that cause in the very large sum of \$71,501,584. The proof that such a loss has been endured is seen in the fact that, whereas the surplus on the investment value, or purchase price, of the securities held was \$177,899,452, the surplus on the market value of the same securities was no more than \$106,397,868.

Of course not all the shrinkage has occurred in railroad investments, but a very large part of it has, and what may not be ascribed directly to the shrinkage in railroad investments may be ascribed to it indirectly. To be sure, municipal securities have likewise declined, and the savings banks hold twice as much of these as they do of railroad mortgage bonds, but the decline in municipal bonds may be said to have followed as a consequence of the decline in railroad securities. These latter constitute the largest body of investment obligations of any single class to be found in the world. The funded indebtedness alone of the steam railroads exceeds \$10,000,000,000. The decline in this great mass of investment obligations, because their position was being rendered steadily less secure, enhanced the interest return from such securities, and raised the rate of return the railroads have to pay on their new borrowings. Whether these securities were high grade or merely good or indifferent, they depreciated all the same, and under this depreciation the interest return advanced. With the investment yield which could be obtained on railroad investments steadily rising from the causes



mentioned, municipalities, in floating *their* obligations, had to follow the rising tendency—that is, had to advance the interest in their bonds, until now it is possible to buy good municipal bonds yielding  $4\frac{1}{4}@4\frac{1}{2}\%$ , where a decade ago  $3\frac{1}{2}@3\frac{3}{4}\%$  was the prevailing income yield on good municipal securities. The best grade of railroad bonds appeals to the same classes of investors, such as savings banks, life insurance companies and other financial institutions, as the higher grade of municipal obligations; and when the rate of return on the former moved upward, the rate on municipal issues was bound to go up also; otherwise it would have been found impossible to place any considerable additional further amounts of the same.

A whole train of evils thereupon developed. As municipal bonds now could be bought to yield  $4\frac{1}{4}\%$  or better, the municipal bonds previously purchased by the savings banks on an interest basis of, say, only  $3\frac{3}{4}\%$ , naturally depreciated, and the large loss in the market value of the surplus has resulted from that cause. But as the shrinkage in municipal bonds came as the direct consequence of the shrinkage in railroad securities, the whole of the loss in surplus which the savings banks have sustained must be regarded as having come, directly or indirectly, from the wrong Governmental policies pursued and which have proved so damaging. To these harmful policies are due the disfavor and ill-repute into which railroad securities have fallen.

Some may entertain the mistaken notion that the shrinkage in the surplus has been of little consequence to the individual depositors in these institutions. But that is a serious error. It is necessary for the savings banks to maintain a certain surplus as a matter of prudence and precaution and to insure their solvency beyond peradventure. Therefore, as the existing surplus began to dwindle because of the depreciation in the market value of the securities held, it became necessary to restore by degrees the lost portion by making appropriations for the purpose out of current earnings. Such appropriations in turn diminished the amount which could be distributed in dividends to the depositors, and hence these depositors have been receiving considerably less than would otherwise have been the case. New York savings banks are all mutual institutions, the profits going entirely to the depositors, and on the basis of the current rates of return on the investments in which savings banks are allowed to employ their funds, the depositors in these institutions ought to be getting  $4\frac{1}{4}\%$  per annum in dividends. As a matter of fact, there is not a single savings bank in the whole State that is paying over 4%, and some of the largest institutions are paying only  $3\frac{1}{2}\%$ , having had to reduce to that figure, owing to the necessity of using part of their current earnings in order to make good the impairment of their surplus accounts. There are altogether 140 savings banks in the State, and of these only 71 pay dividends as high as 4%, 62 pay no more than  $3\frac{1}{2}\%$ , 6 pay  $3\frac{3}{4}\%$  and 1 pays but 3%. And the experience of this State in the matter of shrinkage in security values and resultant loss to the depositors has been duplicated in other States.

We have discussed this subject of the ownership of the railroads before, and in an article in our issue

of Sept. 24 1910 dealt quite at length with the matter. Following the panic of 1907 considerable prominence was given to statistics bearing upon the point under consideration. At that time a statement was prepared which showed that in the six States chiefly distinguished for their savings deposits the aggregate of railroad securities of steam railroads owned by the savings institutions was no less than \$442,354,086. The aggregate deposits in the six States then amounted to \$2,177,859,256, showing that over 20% of the entire total was then invested in railroad securities. There were 5,174,718 depositors in these six States at the time. In other words, over 5,000,000 persons were interested as depositors in the savings institutions in these States, and these institutions had one-fifth their entire funds out in railroad investments. The savings banks in thirty other States, according to incomplete private reports, at the same date (1907) showed \$128,677,191 more of railroad securities owned, this constituting over 26% of the deposits as represented by over a million depositors.

But indirect public interest in railroad investments is not confined to the holdings of the savings banks. Other points of contact exist through life insurance and fire insurance companies, though it is only too true that the public does not realize that impairing the efficiency and standard of railroad properties may be endangering the value of a fire insurance policy or reducing the income of a life insurance policy. The life insurance companies at the time of the compilation of the statistics already referred to had \$668,262,896 invested in railroad bonds and railroad shares, this forming over 31% of their aggregate assets of \$2,128,131,253. The fire insurance companies then held \$113,702,893 of railroad bonds and shares, and the accident and guaranty companies held \$15,756,249. Altogether, the three classes of insurance companies owned outright \$797,722,038 of railway bonds and stocks and held \$48,167,000 more as collateral, making no less than \$845,889,038. It was also found that certain educational institutions held \$47,468,327 of railroad securities, this forming a little over 33% of the total endowments of such institutions. Combining the railroad investments of insurance companies and educational institutions with those of the savings banks, it was found that the aggregate of railroad securities held reached \$1,464,388,642.

It would be interesting to bring these statistics down six years later to the present time, but the magnitude of the task and the difficulty in getting authentic and reliable data forbids. This much, however, can be said with entire confidence, namely that the aggregate amount invested in this way is to-day very much larger than it was at the time the compilation from which we have been drawing was prepared. In our issue of Sept. 24 1910 we brought the figures for the savings banks in the six States already referred to down to the date of that article. We now go a step further and give the results for the same States at the present time. We find, as was to be expected, that the amounts of the railroad investments have very greatly increased in the interval and that the aggregate for the six States to-day stands at \$641,250,504, as against \$442,354,086 six years ago. The details for the different States appear in



the following table. In Maine it will be observed, nearly 50% of the deposits are invested in railroad securities; in Connecticut, over 38%; in New Hampshire, almost 33%, while in New York, Massachusetts and New Jersey the ratios run from 15.96% to 19.61%. The number of depositors, it is worth noting in these six States, now reaches over 6 $\frac{5}{8}$  millions.

State—	No. of Depositors.	Deposits of Savings Banks.	RR. (Steam) Securs. Owned.	% of Depos.
New York...	3,064,905	1,689,453,168	269,762,569	15.96
New Jersey..	315,335	116,923,632	22,933,163	19.61
Massachus'ts	2,200,917	838,635,097	154,589,906	18.48
New Hamp..	215,885	99,268,065	32,537,542	32.77
Connecticut	606,142	298,512,048	115,272,553	38.64
Maine.....	233,159	93,505,528	46,154,771	49.35
Total.....	6,636,343	3,136,297,538	641,250,504	20.44

Doubtless the investments of other classes of institutions at this date would also be larger than they were six years ago. Making a rough estimate, it will probably be no exaggeration to say that the aggregate investment of savings institutions, insurance companies and educational institutions all over the United States must range somewhere between \$1,750,000,000 and \$2,000,000,000. Anything, therefore, that threatens the stability and integrity of this mass of railroad securities so held is of direct concern to the large mass of the public, which has such a vital interest in these investments. What folly, therefore, it would be to deny to the railroads the slight increase in rates which their welfare and that of the general public so imperatively demands.

#### THE REHABILITATION OF TURKEY.

The Turk is a man without a country. He has always been a nomad, and is an exception to the general law that for a people to constitute a State, they must occupy and be attached to a definite territory. But he has, in a high degree, that other essential bond of the State, a common religion. Before all things, he is a Mohammedan, proud that his chieftan is the Padishah, the "Shadow of God", on earth. The loss of his territory means little to him so long as the seat of his religious headship is undisturbed. Constantinople is still his. The Sultan occupies the Yildiz Palace and worships in the mosque of his predecessors. The eyes of the Moslem world are undiverted in their direction toward him. The war went against the Turk and gave him a great shock, but did not break his pride, or, in fact, his dominion, and the Crescent flies again over Adrianople. Constantinople was little disturbed, and the patient, laborious, persistent, sober, serious-minded Turk has been set to thinking. He has got some new ideas, and is henceforth more approachable than in the past, but he has not intermitted his daily habits. The call of the muezzin five times a day has nowhere ceased. And the recuperation of the resources of the people is already well advanced.

We have before us a recent report from Consular General Ravendal in Constantinople. It is hard to realize how much has happened in a year. The Balkan War broke out immediately following the termination of Italian hostilities, October 1912. It was preceded by two prosperous seasons, and the loss of Turkey's African possessions merely marked the end of what had always been a drain upon Turkish financial resources. The war has deprived her of the greater part of her 75,000 square miles of European

Turkey, but she still retains 700,000 square miles, with 20,000,000 of people, in Asia. Macedonia and Albania have been disproportionately expensive provinces, and have passed out of Turkey's hands; but they abound in undeveloped natural wealth and are sure to be rapidly exploited now that settled conditions are approaching. There is to be a new seaport somewhere on the European Coast that will rival the foremost elsewhere in the Mediterranean, and foreign capital will gravitate to the Balkan Peninsular, drawn by the vast agricultural and manufacturing resources waiting development and the demand for extensive public works. "Numberless roads are to be built, railways are to be constructed, ports to be made, ships to be found, dams, bridges and irrigation works to be engineered, factories to be run, machinery to be set going. In fact, all the work of a generation to be got through at high pressure". This, says a writer in the "Near East" of European Turkey.

But the Ottoman Empire cannot remain unaffected. It is noticed that very few commercial failures have occurred during the year. The Government and business men refuse to have resort to the moratoria put into effect in the other belligerent States. In October 1912 the external debt of the Empire was \$645,000,000. The cost of the war was in the neighborhood of \$200,000,000, of which more than half became an immediate obligation, but Turkish credit has not been seriously impaired. The burden of the war fell most heavily upon the peasantry of Thrace and Anatolia, but the great provinces of Armenia, Kurdistan and Arabia suffered comparatively little, and more than 200,000 refugees from Macedonia, mostly farmers, moved in to Anatolia, in a measure offsetting the Turkish loss in Asia Minor. The produce of the provinces of Asia Minor, it is thought, will be quickly restored. Meanwhile, new land, mortgage and inheritance laws have been put in force, which provide for a general re-valuation of all landed property, for corporations to hold real estate, for the mortgaging of property as security for debts and for the extension of the right of inheritance. Individual enterprise will be powerfully stimulated by the provision made for final surveys of property, its conversion from leaseholds into free-holds and its separation from communal or guild property. Under these laws wealth tied up because of the prohibition of mortgaging real estate will be released. Large areas will be mobilized and become a basis of credit. It is true that financial credit was greatly strained by the war and it is quite possible that some commercial failures may occur, but it is remarkable that the dislocation of business has been so slight, and a commercial revival of wide scope is expected.

The direct trade of United States with Turkey in 1912 amounted to \$26,047,371, as against \$24,326,530 in 1911 and \$16,706,453 in 1910. American consular invoices for 1911 cover \$19,929,568 worth of goods, and in 1912 \$22,916,475, of which \$10,000,000 were tobacco and two millions each of carpets, opium and wool. Macedonia, where the best tobacco is raised, is likely to produce much less than usual for several years to come. But Turkish production will doubtless be stimulated in other provinces. Attention has been turned to the raising of cotton. The total output for 1912 is estimated at 200,000 bales, the bulk of it going to Europe. It is still mostly of short fibre and coarse, but with better irrigation will be



improved and the crop greatly increased. There are large possibilities in silk culture, and American manufacturers are urged to do as the American tobacco men are doing, who have established headquarters in Turkey and are employing 5,000 natives, under 23 American officials, to cure, move and bale tobacco bought for American consumption. The normal Brusa and Beirut silk crops of \$8,500,000 should be greatly increased with the introduction of modern methods.

Under the new American tariff there will be demand for the finer Macedonian and Mesopotamian grades of wool, though the clip is this year much reduced, owing to the severity of last winter. Turkish mohair is of fine quality, but likely to have a lessened market in the United States, owing to the rapid increase of Angora goats with us. There are 1,500,000 of these in this country, and only 30% of foreign mohair is used here. The carpet and rug trade with America shows steady increase and is not likely to be affected by the war. The cotton-lace industry has assumed significant dimensions in Syria and is already being rapidly enlarged. Turkey's mines and forests still lie unexploited and agriculture covers less than 6% of the superficial area. Manufacturing industries, comparatively speaking, hardly exist. But it is safe to say that Turkish exports, which now amount to more than \$135,000,000 a year, will be rapidly increased.

Oil is a chief item of import from America. Illuminating oil has a strong local competition, but cottonseed, oleo and linseed oils find sale, so long as the prices are kept down. Cotton-seed oil above 17½ dollars and corn oil above 12½ per 100 kilos cannot be sold. As a market for cotton goods, Turkey ranks next to China and India, buying more than \$30,000,000 a year, exclusive of yarn and thread, and is worth the attention of our manufacturers, though our trade hitherto has been small, not more than half a million. There is sure to be a rapidly growing demand for oil engines in moderate size, as oil is cheap, and they will be needed in both agricultural and industrial pursuits. The same is true for many kinds of machinery, for mining, flour mills, irrigation, wood and metal working, ice making, electrical uses and agriculture, for highways, railroad and harbor building, for heating, lighting and water works, for docks and dams, for telephone and tramways. Machinery intended for factories of any description is admitted free. Water is generally scarce, so that well-boring, pumping and irrigation machinery is likely to be much needed. Turkey offers a specially receptive market for all forms of electric apparatus. There is an excellent opening for American small tools and builders' hardware, as the European manufacture of these is inferior in design and quality. Flour will need to be introduced in large quantities because of the ravages of the war. It must contain at least 7% of gluten and possess an elasticity of 45%, to be admitted to the country. It should be packed in jute sacks with cotton lining, each sack to contain 154 pounds of flour. White corn meal also has a promising market in the Near East, as have cornstarch and glucose.

All this suggests the need of intelligent American salesmen on the ground, though the first need is of adequate facilities for shipment. The American Levant Line is open with regular monthly sailings, and the Austria-Americana and Cunard companies

serve in part. But under our new legislation there is great occasion for further American steamships. In 1856 78 American ships touched at Constantinople; to-day the American Flag is never seen on an American merchant vessel in the Eastern Mediterranean—to our abiding shame. The air is full of projects of public utilities. Great Britain, Germany and France are already engaged upon them. The Bagdad railway is to be pushed through by the Germans to Bassora at the head of the Persian Gulf, and the Haifa Line to Jerusalem, by the Ottoman Government. The valley of the Euphrates and the Tigris are likely to be developed after the fashion of the Nile Valley, and it is not to be forgotten that it vied with the Nile in the past in its productivity. Englishmen are to build the new harbors of Samsun and Trebizond. And it is proposed that Americans shall build the railway running from Alexandria to Diabekir, though as yet, the only American capital invested in Turkey is the 6 million dollars in our missionary institutions. These have been the inspiration of the new life of Turkey. Though they are relatively small, in view of the great needs of the people, they are the little light which has kindled a great fire, and to-day the eyes of Turkey are turned most hopefully toward America. The Crown Prince recently said: "We must make up the time that has been lost. It must, naturally, be made up as quickly as possible, and the simplest method of doing this is to obtain the assistance of those who have not remained behindhand, because they have had the good fortune to live in countries which have never lost time. Religious and racial questions have been our misfortune for too long a time. My grandfather, Sultan Mahmoud, said there ought not to be any religious questions except at the mosque, the church and the synagogue. There you have the truth. We must become a modern nation."

We now have the open door to Turkey. It remains to be seen whether America is ready to give to her that which has made our country what it is. The missionary and the teacher have opened the way for the manufacturer and the merchant.

#### STATE CONTROL OVER INSURANCE RATES.

A meeting lately held here for discussing the problem of rate-making in fire insurance, and, particularly, the manner and degree of State control thereof, is of present importance because it vitally concerns an institution upon which at least 52,000 millions of property depend for protection; further, there is a very considerable likeness between the struggle over this problem and that over transportation rates.

This meeting was of a committee of nine, appointed from their own body at the last annual meeting of the national organization of commissioners of insurance, to take up the subject in conference with company representatives and others. The committee has yet to prepare its report for submission to the national organization in December. The most definite proposition at this meeting, which itself completed nothing, was a draft of a bill prepared and submitted by Commissioner Preus of Minnesota as a model for possible adoption by the several States. Its substance is that it provides for a permanent State board of appeal and arbitration, if the latter term may be misused once more.



Anybody with a grievance over rates may complain to this board, which shall order a public hearing. After the hearing, the board "shall" make a finding, "and shall order such change made in the rate as it shall deem fair and equitable". Then the company or other organization engaged in rate-making shall "correct" the rate within ten days; the correction shall not be by an increase, without consent of the board, but there is no prohibition of a correction downward. Any company deeming itself aggrieved may take the case to the courts.

Commissioner Emmet of this State, who has been talking publicly on this subject of late, with evident moderation and an earnest desire to aid a rational settlement, has suggested the possibility of one rate to charge the public and another upon which reserves might be calculated. But the latter is figmentary, for fire insurance admits no scientifically exact reserve, such as life insurance does; certain items are placed in liabilities as a determination of legal solvency, but there is never an absolute certainty that fluctuations in the law of average which stretches over a long term of years may not strain or even break a company. As for rate-making, that is not by mere haphazard guessing, although the classified experience of all companies would furnish no more than a general aid nor would the experience of one company on a particular class of risks furnish a distinct indication of the proper rate on some individual risk in such class. Mr. Emmet justly paraphrased the concensus of the most experienced underwriters in this: "in fact, we don't ourselves know exactly how we do it." They use their judgment, aided by long practice, and they might be said to employ a sort of undefinable or sixth sense. It sometimes fails to foresee and provide for coming events, but could the judgment of others, unaided by experience, do better?

In practice, companies charge reserves in their liabilities, under varying names and with varying degrees of severity; but the surplus which remains should be distinctly understood as really a conflagration reserve and would be more intelligible if that title were practicable and customary. Take this statement as illuminating evidence: at the committee's meeting the manager of one British company said that he is in favor of a rate which will cover losses and expenses, allow a small margin for possible conflagrations, and also a small profit. His own company, he said, made a profit of four millions in its forty years here, which he deems not large, considering the constant hazard, but a qualifying incident must be added: for, although only a small proportion of the company's business was in San Francisco, the great diasaster there in 1906 cost it five millions, producing a net loss of a million, in its total term.

No indications of encouragement appear in the uninterrupted march of fire waste, the total for this country and Canada in the completed ten months of this year being \$193,389,300, against \$191,081,300 and \$192,933,800 in the like time of 1912 and 1911, respectively. Yet it is certain that such intolerable destruction must work out its own cure, and the process of cure is begun in the tardily-arrived but irresistible movement to reduction by prevention. This movement is organizing the country over; and it is significant that in Missouri Commissioner Revelle and other State officers who were full of zeal against the companies when they discontinued

writing there, last summer, because of the Orr Law, have since taken up this movement and are wisely urging that rates are based on losses and cannot decline until those decline.

The crucial alternative in this field is the same immovable one as in that of transportation and leaves no middle ground. Private capital must be allowed a living profit in railways, or the entire problem and burden must ultimately pass to the whole people through assumption and operation by Government; private capital in fire insurance must be allowed its fair profit or the States must ultimately erect themselves into underwriting bodies, writing formal contracts and guaranteeing them by their entire resources, or, possibly, by some "fund" that may find acceptability for a time. At present, we have States attempting or proposing the solecism of controlling or even of dictating rates, leaving the underwriters, who are still expected to meet all loss demands, without any warrant that the rates urged or forced upon them will prove sufficient.

Commissioner Ekern of Wisconsin has just issued a synopsis of statutory provisions on rate-making in 16 States. So far as power is conferred by these to change the companies' rates, a change either upward or downward is usually permitted, in terms; but as the force underlying the whole has been dissatisfaction, any upward revision is hardly to be expected. The organization into which the State commissioners have come is, however, an encouraging factor, since it tends to unifying and clarifying their own views as well as to increasing their influence upon the legislatures at home. The direction of that influence is not quite clear, but the signs concerning it seem encouraging on the whole. The Preus draft above sketched has not been passed upon by the committee that held the meeting, and although its terms seem to agree with the drift indicated by existing laws, it may be noted that some of those laws are several years old and there has been time for some change in public feeling. It is quite doubtful whether the people are now as eager as they were for some statutory downward pressure upon insurance rates, just as it is doubtful whether the Inter-State Commerce Commission does not misjudge the present thought of the country as to fitting freight rates to existing necessities.

As far as can be gathered from the expressions at the committee's meeting, there is no general demand (or, at least, there is a weakening demand) for State rate-making, and the disposition among the Commissioners is toward less radical action; the trend seems to be to stop with supervising rate-making and not to undertake dictating the rates themselves. Mr. Emmet of this State is outspoken in saying of strict supervision that "there should be just as little as we can possibly get along with;" he suggests that if some way could be found to explain rate-making to the public and give a just comprehension of the difficulties, the business of underwriting would be in slight danger of interference. We may add that if the public could be made to understand the function of so-called surplus, its necessity as the only possible safeguard against the blows of conflagration and its constant exposure as such, the superficial notion that it represents and proves excessive rates would gradually disappear. Inasmuch as the judgment of the people, soberly reached after information on and review of a case, is the only appeal tribunal to be had on any matter, we may assume



(indeed, we are forced to assume) that railroads are not expected or desired to render a public service at a private and individual loss; also that insurance at really inadequate rates is not desired, for such insurance would be unsafe and deceiving. Publicity, therefore, must lead to education in either case as the only way out of difficulties.

#### THE INCOME TAX ON BONDS PURCHASED BELOW PAR.

The correspondent whose letter we printed last week, and who made the point that if in the case of bonds purchased at a premium the income tax could not be collected on the full amount of the coupon or interest payment (owing to the fact that a part of the money must be set aside to provide for the extinction of the premium at the maturity of the bonds) as we urged in an article in our issue of November 15, on the other hand the converse of this may also be true, namely that on bonds purchased at a discount the face of the coupon must be increased for the purpose of tax—a suggestion which we combatted—has sent us another letter on the subject, for which we gladly make room, as follows:

New York, Nov. 22 1913.

Editor Commercial and Financial Chronicle,

New York City:

Dear Sir—I have read with interest your article in to-day's issue of the "Chronicle" on the application of the income tax to the interest on bonds bought below par, which contains a copy of my letter of last week to you in regard to your article of the previous week discussing the application of the tax to bonds bought above par.

I entirely agree with everything you say in to-day's article, and never thought that the tax on the deferred income of a bond bought below par could be collected until such deferred income was actually collected.

Has it occurred to you, however, that if this view be taken literally, the tax could be entirely avoided by selling the bond a month or two before maturity, at which time it would sell practically for par flat, with perhaps a discount of one-quarter or one-half of one per cent? The person who bought the bond at such a time, at such a small discount, certainly would get no income from it when paid at maturity, except the return of the discount and the payment of the amount of interest also due at maturity. Yet, the man who buys a 4% bond running for twenty years at 80 and sells it at 98½ when it has but three months to run, is clearly realizing his deferred income just as much as if he had actually held the bond until maturity and received payment from the obligor thereon.

An absolute reductio ad absurdum can be made by supposing that on the due date of the bond the holder went through the empty pretense of selling the bond for par and interest to his banker, who immediately turns around and collects the same amount he paid for the bond from the obligor.

As a practical matter, it is going to be almost impossible for the Government to collect the tax on such deferred income. Where the bond is sold a considerable time before its maturity, and changes in the market have occurred, it will be practically very difficult to get at the deferred income, although it could always be figured out by an accountant. Most people are inclined to confuse the deferred income on a bond bought below par, and the apparent loss (which should be covered by amortization) on a bond bought above par, with actual profit and loss caused by the rise in value of the securities. Of course these people do not realize that the value of a good bond practically sure to be paid at maturity represents, not the value of an interest in business, like a stock, but merely the value of money well secured.

While, as above stated, I agree with your views on these questions, it seems to me quite likely that the Government and the courts may take the opposite view. The rough and practical, although not scientific, argument which will be advanced on the side of the Government is, that as the Government is practically certain to be unable to collect most of the tax on deferred income in the case of bonds bought below

par, this loss may fairly and reasonably be recouped by collecting the tax on the full amount of the interest payments made on bonds purchased above par. Of course this might work out practical justice as between the Government and the country as a whole, but it will give an unfair advantage to some individual investors and put others at a corresponding disadvantage. Also, if the Act is enforced in this manner, it will at once add a fictitious and artificial value to bonds which can be bought below par and make a corresponding reduction in the value of bonds which can only be bought at a premium.

Yours very truly,

W.

This time our correspondent appears to be laboring under a misapprehension. We do not see how the tax "could be entirely avoided by selling the bond a month or two before maturity." He seems to be proceeding on the assumption that the Income Tax Law is a tax on income per se. It is more than that. It is a tax on gains and profits as well. Paragraph B of Subdivision 2 of the Law explicitly says that "the net income of a taxable person shall include gains, profits and income derived from salaries, wages or compensation for personal service of whatever kind and in whatever form paid, or from professions, vocations, businesses, trade, commerce, or sales, or dealings in property," &c., &c. Where a man buys a 4% bond running for twenty years at 80 and sells it at 98½ when it has but three months to run, he makes a profit of 18½ points, and he must include that profit in his return, and the Government is entitled to collect its tax upon such profit. If in the interval before maturity the bond changes hands several times, each time at a higher figure, all the intermediate sellers must declare their profits, and each of these profits is subject to the tax. This ensures protection to the Government, too, which ultimately gets the tax on the full amount of the "deferred income" and gets it with absolute certainty, removing all occasion for circumlocution or resort to intricate calculations. The same rule might be applied in the case of bonds purchased at a premium, the disappearance of the premium at maturity being at that time counted as a loss to its full extent. The objection to such a course in that instance is that it works a manifest injustice to the owner, inasmuch as the money representing the premium has been actually paid out (the money to represent the profit resulting from the appreciation of a bond purchased at a discount is not realized until the bond is sold or paid off) and therefore the owner is under the absolute necessity of setting aside a part of the interest with absolute regularity to provide for the loss of principal at maturity.

#### BONDS WHICH ARE AND BONDS WHICH ARE NOT TAX-EXEMPT.

We continue to-day our analysis and classification of the bonds of United States railroads so as to show which issues contain any provisions obliging the companies themselves, in cases like the newly enacted Federal Income Tax, to assume or pay the tax and which issues are devoid of any provisions of that kind. As we pointed out last week, such provisions have reference merely to taxes which the company itself is called upon to pay or deduct, and they are generally found on the face of the bond, though in some instances the clause must be sought in the mortgage deed. We quoted the language of the Atchison Topeka & Santa Fe General Mortgage 4s of 1895 as indicating the phraseology commonly employed, as follows: "Both the principal and interest of this bond are payable without deduction for any tax or taxes which the railway company may be required to pay or to retain therefrom by any present or future law of the United States or of any State or Territory thereof, the railway company hereby agreeing to pay such tax or taxes." The Income Tax Law undertakes to collect the tax at the source



of the income, and every company is required to deduct "the amount of the normal tax" (the word "normal" here meaning the initial or general tax of 1% as distinguished from the graded or progressive tax which applies only to incomes of large amounts), the companies being obliged to make the deduction even from coupon or interest payments of small amounts. This being the process of applying the tax, the operation comes directly within the scope of bond or mortgage covenants like that above quoted, under which the company agrees to pay the interest "without deduction for any tax or taxes" which it "may be required to pay or to retain therefrom by any present or future law," &c.

We are able to extend very considerably this week the list of companies whose securities we can present in classified form. The companies represented last week (see issue of Nov. 22, pages 1467 to 1470) were:

Atchison Topeka & Santa Fe.  
 Baltimore & Ohio.  
 Chicago Burlington & Quincy.  
 Chicago & North Western.  
 Chicago St. Paul Minneapolis & Omaha.  
 Denver & Rio Grande and subsidiaries.  
 Great Northern Railway.  
 Louisville & Nashville.  
 Missouri Pacific, including St. Louis Iron Mtn. & Sou.  
 New York Central & Hudson River:  
 Northern Pacific Railway.  
 Rutland Railroad.  
 St. Louis Southwestern.  
 Union Pacific and subsidiaries.

To the foregoing we add to-day fourteen more companies, viz.:

Buffalo Rochester & Pittsburgh.  
 Chicago & Alton RR.  
 Chicago Milwaukee & St. Paul.  
 Chicago Rock Island & Pacific.  
 Delaware Lackawanna & Western.  
 Lehigh Valley RR.  
 Minneapolis & St. Louis.  
 Nashville Chattanooga & St. Louis.  
 New York Ontario & Western.  
 Norfolk & Western Railway.  
 St. Louis & San Francisco RR.  
 Texas & Pacific Railway.  
 Toledo St. Louis & Western.  
 Wabash Railroad.

We have received from Vice-President Macdowell of the Norfolk & Western Railway Co. an interesting letter, which we quote herewith, pointing out that his company is responsible for prior lien obligations issued in the early eighties and one even bearing date 1879, all of which contain the tax-exempt covenant. He volunteers this information because of our remark of last week that the practice of including the covenant became common about 20 years ago, following the enactment of the Tariff Law of 1894 which, like the Tariff Law of 1913, contained an Income Tax provision, though one which was subsequently declared unconstitutional. It had not, of course, escaped our notice that even at earlier dates than 1894 various bonds had appeared containing the tax-exempt covenant; and in view of Mr. Macdowell's letter it seems pertinent to recall that during and immediately succeeding the Civil War period income tax laws were frequent. Mr. Macdowell's caution about the necessity of searching the mortgage deeds, where the covenant is not expressed on the bond, we have had in mind from the beginning. This is evident from the opening paragraph of our article of last week, in which, after stating that the Income Tax law makes all bonds subject to the tax, we added that "the only question in each individual case is whether the bonds, or the mortgage securing them, has a covenant," &c. Mr. Macdowell's letter is as follows:

NORFOLK & WESTERN RAILWAY COMPANY.

Philadelphia, Pa., Nov. 22 1913.

Editor of the "Commercial and Financial Chronicle,"  
 P. O. Box 958, New York City.

Dear Sir.—The interesting article commencing on page 1467 of your issue of Nov. 22d relating to bonds which are and bonds which are not tax-exempt emphasizes the tax-exempting covenant as a feature of the text of bonds rather than as a mortgage covenant. You can hardly have overlooked the fact, yet I think it desirable to note that in some mortgages the tax-exempting covenant appears without inclusion in the text of the bonds. Reference to the bonds is, therefore, not necessarily decisive of the question of exemption.

The article states:

"The practice of including the covenant originated about twenty years ago, or at least it began to become common about that time, and it must be deemed to have had its origin largely, if not entirely, in the circumstance that the Tariff Bill of 1894, like the Tariff Bill of 1913, contained an income tax provision." \* \* \*

The tax-exempting covenant appeared many years before 1894. Bonds now outstanding of this company's predecessor, the Norfolk & Western Railroad Co., issued under its General Mortgage dated 1881, its New River Division First Mortgage dated 1882 and its Improvement and Extension Mortgage dated 1883 all have the tax-exempting covenant, and the covenant also appeared in the First Mortgage, dated 1879 of a still earlier predecessor, the Shenandoah Valley Railroad Company. Its frequent use would, therefore, appear to date back as far as 1880.

You will be interested to have the enclosed copies of a circular issued by this company classifying its funded obligations as tax-exempt or non-tax-exempt.

Yours very truly,

WM. G. MACDOWELL, Vice-President.

The following letter raises a question which is easily answered, but which may have puzzled some other readers:

New York, Nov. 24 1913.

William B. Dana Company.

138 Front Street, Manhattan.

Dear Sirs.—We notice upon reading the face of one of the bond certificates of the Tennessee Coal, Iron & Railroad General Mortgage 5s that the Company agrees to pay any tax which may be levied by the Federal Government, State Government or Municipal Government. Under these circumstances, should not the Company pay any personal tax that New York City might levy?

If it is not too much trouble, we should be very glad, indeed, to have your opinion on this subject.

Yours very truly,

TEFFT & Co.

As stated above, the tax covenant so commonly found in railroad and other bonds has reference only to taxes which the company itself is obliged to pay "or to retain therefrom" in making payments of principal or interest. The personal property tax is a tax against the individual and is collected from the individual. The company is not called upon to pay it, and it is not such a tax as it has stipulated to assume for the owner of the bond. We have looked up the provisions of the bond certificate of the Tennessee Coal, Iron & Railroad General Mortgage 5s, to which our correspondent refers, and find that there is nothing exceptional in the covenant in this instance; in other words, it is expressed in much the same words as the stipulation in other cases, reading as follows:

Tennessee Coal, Iron & Railroad Co. General Mortgage 5s.

Both the principal and interest of this bond are payable without deduction for any tax or taxes or stamp duties of the United States, or any State or county or municipality thereof, which the corporation may be required to pay or to retain therefrom under or by reason of any present or future law, the Corporation hereby agreeing to pay all such tax or taxes or stamp duties.

What the company has here agreed to do is to assume all taxes and stamp duties "which the corporation may be required to pay or to retain therefrom." It has assumed no other obligation. The personal property tax of the individual is not in contemplation in drawing covenants like this, and responsibility for its payment rests with the owner of the bond and not with the company. Aside from the terms of the contract itself, practical considerations would render any other course out of the question. The personal property tax is not a tax upon income, but a tax upon principal, and hence is many fold heavier than the income tax. It is like the tax upon real estate, being levied upon the value of the property, not upon the income derived from it. The rate of the tax is generally the same as the rate upon real estate. In this city the rate is over 1 3/4%, and if added to the 5% interest paid upon the bond would make 6 3/4% altogether. Moreover, the rate varies in the different boroughs, and varies still more widely in different sections of the State. In many parts of the State the tax rate is over 3%, and in such instances the companies would have to pay 5% plus 3%, or 8% upon the loan. Not only that, but in some of the remoter parts of the United States a 5% tax rate is not uncommon, and even higher rates are met with. As the rate applies on the principal, not on the interest, a company would have to pay over 10% for interest and taxes.

But while the covenant so generally found in bond issues does not exempt the owner of the bond from the payment of the personal property tax, there is, at least in this State, an easy way in which exemption can be obtained. Under a law of this State it is possible upon the payment of a small sum per bond (\$5 per \$1,000 bond) to be completely freed of all liability for the tax. We have reference to what is known as the Secured Debt Law, passed in July 1911. Under this law, which relates to bonds and other obligations secured by property located outside the State (and also on unsecured debt), there is applied the principle of the recording tax appertaining to real estate mortgages on property within the State. Hence all that is necessary in any case is to present the bond to the State Comptroller, pay the equivalent of 1/2 of 1% upon the par value of the bond, have a stamp for that amount affixed to the certificate and the bond ceases to be taxable thereafter as personal property. Only a single payment of 1/2 of 1% is required, not an annual payment of



that amount, and the bond enjoys freedom from taxation forever afterward. Any one can pay this recording tax—the company, the banking house floating the issue, the broker, or the owner or the purchaser, and the bond thereby becomes immune from State and city taxation as personal property. The privilege has been availed of to a surprisingly small extent, though we notice that in bringing out last week the \$11,000,000 4½% bond issue of the New York Connecting RR., the banking houses offering the bonds took occasion to announce that the recording tax of ½ of 1% would be paid, "thereby making the bond free of personal tax under the mortgage tax law of New York State."

BUFFALO ROCHESTER & PITTSBURGH RAILWAY.

Table with columns: Int., Maturity Date, Outstand'g. Includes entries for Consol. Mtg. 4½s (\$35,000,000), Equipment Bonds, and Series A through H.

CHICAGO & ALTON RR.

Table with columns: Int., Maturity Date, Outstand'g. Includes entries for Chic. & Alton RR. (old ref. M. 3s), First lien (old railway) 3½s, and Debenture 6s.

CHICAGO MILWAUKEE & ST. PAUL RAILWAY CO.

Table with columns: Int., Maturity Date, Outstand'g. Includes entries for Gen'l M. 4½s, 4s & 3½s (\$150,000,000), Convertible debenture 4½s, and 25-year deb. 4s.

CHICAGO ROCK ISLAND & PACIFIC RAILROAD CO.

Table with columns: Int., Maturity Date, Outstand'g. Includes entries for Collatera trust 4s (\$75,000,000), First and refund. 4s (\$163,000,000), and General mortgage 4s (\$100,000,000).

CHICAGO ROCK ISLAND & PACIFIC RAILWAY CO.

Table with columns: Int., Maturity Date, Outstand'g. Includes entries for Equipment notes, 4½% Series C, and 4½% Ser. D.

DELAWARE LACKAWANNA & WESTERN RR. CO.

Table with columns: Int., Maturity Date, Outstand'g. Includes entries for Morris & Essex cons. M. 7s (\$25,000,000), First ref. M. 3½s (\$35,000,000), and N. Y. Lack. & West. 1st M. 6s.

LEHIGH VALLEY RAILROAD CO.

Table with columns: Int., Maturity Date, Outstand'g. Includes entries for First mortgage extended 4s, Consol. Mtg. (Coup. & reg. 4½s & 6s), and General consol. mtg. 4s (\$150,000,000).

MINNEAPOLIS & ST. LOUIS RAILROAD COMPANY.

Table with columns: Int., Maturity Date, Outstand'g. Includes entries for First Consol. Mtg. 5s, First & Ref. Mtg. 4s (\$13,244,000), and Ref. & Exten. Mtg. 5s (\$75,000,000).

NASHVILLE CHATTANOOGA & ST. LOUIS RAILWAY.

Table with columns: Int., Maturity Date, Outstand'g. Includes entries for First Mtg. Fayette & McM. Branches 6s, First Mtg. Lebanon Branch 6s, and First Mtg. Jasper Branch 6s.

NEW YORK ONTARIO & WESTERN RAILWAY.

Table with columns: Int., Maturity Date, Outstand'g. Includes entries for Refunding (first) Mtg. 4s, General Mtg. 4s (\$12,000,000), and Gold Notes 5s (due \$200,000 s.-a.).

ST. LOUIS & SAN FRANCISCO RAILROAD.

Table with columns: Int., Maturity Date, Outstand'g. Includes entries for Refunding Mortgage 4s, General Lien 15-20-year 6s, N. O. Tex. & Mex. Div. 1st M. 4½s & 5s, and Ozark & Cherokee Central 1st Mtg. 5s.

ST. L. & S. F. RR. CONSOL. MTG. 4S.

Table with columns: Int., Maturity Date, Outstand'g. Includes entries for Central Division first mtg. 4s, Southwestern Division first mtg. 5s, and Northwestern Division 1st mtg. 4s.



NORFOLK & WESTERN RAILWAY.

Issued with Tax-Exemption Clause.		
	Int.	Maturity Date.
First Consol. Mtge. 4s (\$62,500,000)	A-O	Oct. 1 1936
Div. 1st Lien & Gen. M. 4s (\$35,000,000)	J-J	July 1 1944
Convertible 10-25-year 4s	J-D	June 1 1932
Convertible 10-20-year 4s	M-S	Sept. 1 1932
Convertible 10-25-year 4 1/2s	M-S	Sept. 1 1932
Equipment Trust Certificates—		
Series C 4s (due \$200,000 annually)	A-O	To Apr. 1915
Series D 4s (due \$100,000 annually)	M-N	To Nov. 1915
Series E 4s (due \$100,000 annually)	J-D	To Dec. 1915
Series F 4s (due \$100,000 annually)	F-A	To Feb. 1916
Series G 4s (due \$100,000 annually)	M-N	To May 1916
Series H 4s (due \$100,000 annually)	J-D	To June 1916
Series J 4s (due \$100,000 annually)	J-D	To July 1916
Series K 4s (due \$100,000 annually)	F-A	To Aug. 1916
Series L 4s (due \$100,000 annually)	J-D	To Dec. 1917
Series M 4s (due \$100,000 annually)	M-S	To Mar. 1917
Series N 4s (due \$100,000 annually)	A-O	To Apr. 1917
Series O 4s (due \$100,000 annually)	J-D	To June 1917
N. & W. R.R. Gen. Mtge. 6s	M-N	May 1 1931
New River Div. First Mtge. 6s	M-N	Apr. 1 1932
Imp't. & Exten. Mtge. 6s	F-A	Feb. 1 1934
Colum. Connec. & Term. 1st Mtge. 5s	J-J	Jan. 1 1922
Poahontas Joint Mtge. 4s (\$20,000,000)	J-D	Dec. 1 1941
Winston-Salem South Bound 1st M. 4s	J-J	July 1 1960

TEXAS & PACIFIC RAILWAY.

Issued with Tax-Exemption Clause.		
	Int.	Maturity Date.
First consol. (now first) mortgage 5s	J-D	June 1 2000
Second mortgage income 6s	Mar.	Dec. 1 2000
Louisiana Div. branch lines 1st M. 5s	J-J	Jan. 1 1931
Equip. bonds, ser. AA, 5s (due \$155,000-s-a)	J-D	To June 1917
do do series BB, 5s (due \$30,000-s-a)	J-D	To June 1922
Equip. Ass'n bonds 4 1/2s and 5s	Var.	To Aug. 1920
Weath. M. W. & No. 1st M. 5s, guar.	F-A	Aug. 1 1930
Denison & Pac. Suburban 1st 5s	M-S	Mar. 1 1930

\*All except \$960,000 have been exchanged for 65% in St. Louis Iron Mt. & Southern 4s.

TOLEDO ST. LOUIS & WESTERN RR.

Issued with Tax-Exemption Clause.		
	Int.	Maturity Date.
Prior Lien M. 3 1/2s (\$10,000,000)	J-J	July 1 1925
First mortgage 4s	A-O	April 1 1950
Coll. tr. 4s, Series A	F-A	Aug. 1 1917
Coll. tr. 2-4s, Series B	C.&A. stk.	Aug. 1 1917
Equipment trust 4 1/2s	M-S	To Sept. 1916

WABASH RAILROAD

Issued with Tax-Exemption Clause.		
	Int.	Maturity Date.
First Ref. & Exten. Mtge. 4s	J-J	July 1 1956
First Lien Terminal 4s	J-J	Jan. 1 1954
Toledo & Chicago Div. 1st Mtge. 4s	M-S	Mar. 1 1941
Omaha Division 1st Mtge. 3 1/2s	A-O	Oct. 1 1941
Three-year 4 1/2% Notes	M-N	May 1 1913
Equipment Bonds—		
Sinking fund 5s	M-S	Mar. 1 1921
Series A 5s (last installment)	M-N	May 1 1914
Series B 4 1/2s (two installments)	J-D	To Dec. 1914
Series C 4 1/2s (\$309,000 semi-ann.)	J-J	To July 1916
Loco. Equip. Notes 5s (two install'ts)	A-O	To Oct. 1914
Colum. & St. Louis RR. 1st Mtge. 4s	M-N	May 1 1942

Issued without Reference to Taxes.

	Int.	Maturity Date.
Wabash RR. First Mtge. 5s	M-N	May 1 1939
Second Mortgage 5s	F-A	Feb. 1 1939
Detroit & Chic. Exten. 1st Mtge. 5s	J-J	July 1 1941
Des Moines Div. 1st Mtge. 4s	J-J	Jan. 1 1939
Kan. City Excel. Spr. & No. R.R. 1st 4s	J-J	Jan. 1 1928

Defaults.—Up to and including Dec. 1 1913: First Ref. & Exten. 4s (the Jan. 1912 coupons were purchased); May 1913 coupons on Three-year 4 1/2% notes were not paid.

"THE SPIRAL STAIRCASE."

A clergyman, writing to the "Survey" from a Mid-Western town, complains of the lack of housing facilities for the working people. He says that homes costing from \$1,200 to \$1,500, or renting for \$10 per month, are not to be had. At about the same time an item appeared in the "Outlook," giving the average wages of plasterers as about five dollars per day, but it was explained that, owing to irregularity of employment, they could only count on 150 days per year, or some such figure. Recently a trades unionist made a states ment as to conditions in Butte, Montana, where all labor, he said, was unionized. Wages were satisfactory, he said, even unskilled labor being paid three dollars and over per day. The cost of living, he added naively, was very high. Under the circumstances, Butte will be as attractive to intending settlers as Australia, where the population increased only ten thousand in ten years. With an area nearly equal to the United States, its population compares with that of Ireland. But as we know, it is the perfect flower of the idea of short hours and the minimum wage.

Coming nearer home, let us take the great central State of Iowa. Here is no trades union domination; there are no large cities, and factory or even corporation problems are not vexing. It is almost strictly a farming community. An analysis of the Census figures shows the following conditions: The farm land under cultivation decreased from 1900 to 1910 from 34,574,337 acres to 33,930,688 acres, or about 2%. The improved land in farms decreased from 29,897,522 acres to 29,491,199 acres, or about 1 1/2%, but the value of the farms (land alone) increased from \$1,256,751,980 to \$2,801,973,929, or over 120%, and in the meantime the population had actually decreased.

If such figures were shown by a railway or manufacturing corporation, it would be claimed that the country was being compelled to pay dividends on watered stock.

Lest it be thought that these values accrued through greater service to the community, more "intensive farming," &c., let us take the figures of production, which are given for the

years 1899 and 1909. Crops with acreage reports decreased 1,610,452 bushels, or 7.3%. Cereals decreased 11.1%, and "other grains and seeds" 87%. Cattle are not included in this comparative table, but on looking up the table for the whole United States, it is found that the number of cattle in Iowa decreased from 5,367,630 in 1900 to 4,448,006 in 1910, and in the same table the number of swine in Iowa had decreased in the same period from 9,723,791 to 7,545,853, while the value of the smaller number exceeded that of the earlier, being given as \$69,693,000, against \$43,765,000 for the same reported in the 1900 Census.

Similar figures can be shown for Wisconsin, notwithstanding the benevolent activities of its University. The growth in population of only 12.8%, against 21% for the continental United States, has been almost entirely in the cities; Milwaukee absorbing 88,500 out of the 264,800 increase, while nineteen counties show an actual decrease in the Census period, varying from 4-10 of 1% to 7.8%. The figures are not at hand for cereals, but Wisconsin is not a grain-raising State; but sheep decreased in number on the farms during the ten years from 1,675,000 to 929,000 and swine from 2,014,000 to 1,809,000. Wisconsin does not raise enough wool or pork to supply her own inhabitants.

These conditions are typical. Iowa is the home of the "Iowa idea," and has led in the agitation against tariff robbery, monopoly and the evils of watered securities. Wisconsin has a Railroad Commission that has won the praise of Mr. Roosevelt. But their industries languish, their farming population decreases, and they can compare poorly with the manufacturing East in the development of their resources and in keeping production abreast with the growth of the nation.

A leading agricultural paper has pointed out one of the dangers of this situation. It really pays the farmer better to produce less. A full crop of potatoes, of wheat, or even of cotton, does not repay the labor and expense of culture as well as a moderate one. A smaller amount of cotton exported in a given year brings in a larger return in money. Apples are said to have been refused as freight in Minnesota, owing to "over-production," and cabbages were unsalable at wholesale a year ago in New York.

The multiplying of farm literature, magazines, weeklies and special publications has put this phase of the question plainly before the farm producers. The farmer is not going to "bear" his own market. A proper analyzing and co-ordinating of the facts, as bearing on each individual crop, will do much to prevent the periodical "glut" that is so discouraging to the producer. But for the farmer to think that his wise course is to produce less quantity for the sake of the higher price can only re-act when the consumer is driven to seek other sources or materials for his daily supply of food. A Governmental bureau could find a better field for its activities here than in sending out tracts on soils, fertilizers or bee culture.

Sooner or later, too, the great problem of distribution must be taken systematically in hand. Apples rotting on the ground in Minnesota and Michigan, potatoes rotting in the ground in Dakota and Maine, while retail prices remain at high-water mark in the cities—these things are a scandal to our civilization, a reproach to our reputation for keen, common sense. Not less so is the proposition that it pays the workingman to limit his efforts or his hours, with the idea that he is "making work" for himself and his trade, while his brother workmen are poorly or uncomfortably housed or pay extravagant prices for their clothing and the other necessities of life.

"For we are members one of another,

And the eye cannot say unto the hand, I have no need of thee; nor again the head to the feet, I have no need of you;

And whether one member suffer, all the members suffer with it; or one member be honored, all the members rejoice with it."

JOSEPH D. HOLMES.

ROBERT FLEMING'S REPLY TO PRESIDENT WILSON ABOUT LATIN-AMERICAN INVESTMENTS.

The London "Times" of Nov. 14 contained a letter from Robert Fleming, in which the latter deals with the charges made by President Wilson in his recent Panama Canal speech, alleging that foreign investors have in the past driven very hard bargains with Latin-American States in the matter of loans. Mr. Fleming speaks with a full knowledge of the facts and undertakes to show that the President erred in his statements. The letter is as follows:



To the Editor of the "Times":

Sir.—I have read with amazement the report in the American papers just received of the speech of the President of the United States delivered before the Southern Commercial Congress dealing with Latin America, Mexico and the Panama Canal. He says (I quote from the New York "Commercial and Financial Chronicle" of Nov. 1 1913):

"I believe that by the new route (the Panama Canal) that is just about to be opened, while we physically cut two continents asunder, we spiritually unite them. It is a spiritual union which we seek.

"You hear of concessions to foreign capitalists in Latin America. You do not hear of concessions to foreign capitalists in the United States. They are not granted concessions. They are invited to make investments. The work is ours, though they are welcome to invest in it. We do not ask them to supply the capital and do the work. It is an invitation, not a privilege: and States that are obliged, because their territory does not lie within the main field of modern enterprise and action, to grant concessions are in this condition, that foreign interests are apt to dominate their domestic affairs—a condition of affairs always dangerous and apt to become intolerable.

"What these States are going to seek is an emancipation from the subordination which has been inevitable to foreign enterprise, and an assertion of the splendid character which, in spite of these difficulties, they have again and again been able to demonstrate.

"The dignity, the courage, the self-possession, the respect of the Latin-American States, their achievements in the face of all these adverse circumstances, deserve no thing but the admiration and applause of the world.

"They have had harder bargains driven with them in the matter of loans than any of her people in the world. Interest has been exacted of them that was not exacted of anybody, because the risk was said to be greater, and then securities were taken that destroyed the risks. An admirable arrangement for those who were forcing the terms.

"I rejoice in nothing so much as in the prospect that they will now be emancipated from these conditions, and we ought to be the first to take part in assisting in that emancipation."

Those at all acquainted with the growth of the chief public works now enjoyed by the Latin-American countries lying south of the United States know that this characterization is totally unjustified. They know that a concession is in its nature the same as an Act of Parliament with ourselves, or an Act of Congress, or municipal franchise, in the United States. The two greatest concessions ever given by Mexico were to the Mexican Central Railroad and the Mexican National Railway, both American companies, in which, both in Boston and New York, much American money has been lost, but which have proved of immense service to Mexico. It is so with the thousand and one essential parts of modern civilization—railways, tramways, docks, gas companies, electric-light companies, and others, which during the past three or four decades have been liberally provided almost entirely by European capital.

These concessions are usually obtained only after much debate with the local authorities, who are no mean hands at making a bargain, and they usually contain a provision that the whole enterprise reverts to the Government without payment after the prescribed period. The number of concessions that have provided facilities to South America but have been disastrous to the investor is legion.

Taking these in the mass, the return on the investment has been most moderate, certainly not greatly more than the United States has paid for similar work. As to the prices paid for governmental securities, perhaps the fairest recent example is that of the greatest cities of North and South America. New York City recently issued its 4½% bonds at a fraction over par; Buenos Aires about the same time issued in London its 5% bonds at 96%; Mexico itself, before the revolution, refunded its debt into 4% bonds, which were issued in New York, London and Amsterdam at 94%. As to the bonds of certain Central American Republics, to which it may be the President refers, where security was given, it was in most cases disregarded, resulting in heavy loss to the European investor.

Dr. Wilson is a man of high principle, but in grappling with the present situation ideals must be tempered by knowledge, and when I read the quoted words which give the key to the spirit that animates him, I feel that the colossal strength of the United States is being directed by one whose feet are hardly on this earth.

The Latin-American countries neither have the money nor the materials out of which are built the comforts of modern life. For very many years they must be supplied mainly by the United States, Germany and England. I can recall before steam had displaced the sailing vessel, Mr. Gladstone, referring to the "white sails of commerce fluttering on every sea and weaving a web of amity among the nations." Give free play to the international material interests; and the "spiritual union" the President seeks will in time follow.

Yours truly,

ROBERT FLEMING.

8 Crosby Square, E. C., Nov. 13.

### THE HEARINGS ON THE APPLICATION FOR HIGHER FREIGHT RATES.

In accordance with an order of the Inter-State Commerce Commission on Nov. 8, preliminary hearings on the 5% freight rate advance asked for by the railroads east of the Mississippi River and north of the Ohio and Potomac rivers were had before the Commission this week. The hearings lasted two days, and with their close on Tuesday an adjournment was taken until Dec. 10. This week's proceedings represented a virtual reopening of the arguments presented to the Commission in 1910, when an increase of 10% was asked for by the Eastern carriers. At that time the Commission concluded that the roads had not proved their contentions for higher rates, but decided that the question might be re-argued if future developments warranted it. Fifty-two railroads in the section affected—the official classification territory—were represented at the hearing, which was also attended by representatives of shippers in the same territory. Louis D. Brandeis was present in the interest of the Commission. Arguments on behalf of the roads were presented by Daniel Willard, President of the Baltimore & Ohio RR. and Chairman of the Railroad Committee of Presidents; Frederick A. Delano, Receiver and President of the Wabash RR.; George S. Patterson, General Solicitor for the Pennsylvania RR.; C. M. Bunting of the Pennsylvania; George M. Shriver, Second Vice-President of the Baltimore & Ohio; W. C. Wishart, Statistician of the New York Central; W. C. Maxwell, General Traffic Manager of the Wabash, Dr. Frank Haigh Dixon,

Professor of Dartmouth College, etc.; the roads also had before the Commission three experts, who entered into a detailed explanation of the character of the proposed increase and indicated the manner in which the advance would become effective on various kinds of traffic without disturbing existing differentials or preferential conditions, these experts being C. C. McCain, Chairman of the Trunk Line Association, who outlined the basic elements of the 5% increase; E. Morris, Chairman of the Central Freight Association, who worked out the 5% rate increase for the territory west of Buffalo, extending to the Mississippi, and R. H. Large, General Coal Freight Agent of the Pennsylvania RR.; who analyzed the effect of the proposed increases on coal, coke and iron traffic. Through these experts it was learned that the advance asked for, if granted, is to become applicable to intra as well as to inter-State traffic; it furthermore became known that the roads, pending the action of the Commission, had voluntarily suspended the operation of the contemplated 5% increase to intra-State rates. It was likewise announced that it is proposed to make the advance applicable to import and export rates. This information was imparted at Tuesday's hearing, when, in response to an inquiry of Commissioner Clements as to which of the tariffs filed carried a proposed increase in State rates, Mr. McCain stated that a majority of the rate increases filed were inter-State, but that the carriers had adjusted their local rates, adding that import and export rates were included in the 5% rate. As to how State rates limited by State statute were treated, Mr. McCain expressed the belief that they were all advanced 5%, regardless of the statutes. Mr. Butterfield, counsel for the New York Central, added to this by asserting that the rates have all been voluntarily suspended by the carriers pending the outcome of the decision of the Commission regarding the increase in inter-State rates. During the presentation of his testimony Mr. Butterfield also stated that the railroads estimated that the 5% increase would produce about \$40,000,000 or \$50,000,000 on additional gross revenues.

Mr. Willard, President of the Baltimore & Ohio, made the first address on behalf of the railroads in opening the case before the Commission on Monday, and in the following sentence set forth the problem which the railroads east of the Mississippi and north of the Ohio are seeking to solve with the increase in freight rates of 5%:

"The immediate and all-important question is, How shall these railroads obtain the new capital necessary if they are to provide the needed facilities, and furnish the high-class service which the public demands, and to which the public is properly entitled"?

In presenting the main facts upon which the railroads will rely to prove the necessity for the increase in rates, Mr. Willard stated that during the past three years the railroads in the territory affected had spent in property investment some \$600,000,000, or at the rate of \$200,000,000 per year. Nevertheless, because of the fact that operating expenses had increased faster than operating revenues, these railroads earned in the year ending June 30 1913 less by \$16,311,321 than for the year ending June 30 1910.

"These companies," said Mr. Willard, "apparently not only failed to earn any return whatever upon the new capital invested, but saved even less from gross earnings, as return upon the original property investment, than they were able to show before this large additional expenditure was made."

In this three years the Pennsylvania, New York Central and Baltimore & Ohio systems increased their property investment over \$422,537,000. While their combined gross earnings increased \$109,000,000, the net operating income was \$8,573,507 less in 1913 than in 1910, notwithstanding the expenditure of \$422,000,000 for betterments, additional equipment, &c.

"In brief," said Mr. Willard, "it appears that the new capital invested in railroads in official classification territory during the last three years has earned little or no return; in fact, these properties generally are actually earning less net, after paying operating expenses and taxes, than they were earning at the beginning of the period, and before the \$600,000,000 had been spent."

Mr. Willard continued: "The result, as might be expected, of this constant tendency toward diminishing net returns, has been to seriously check, if not altogether stop, the normal development of railroad facilities in the territory affected. During the ten-year period these railroads found it necessary to increase their property investment approximately \$2,000,000,000, an average of about \$200,000,000 per annum, and it is certain that an equal if not greater amount per annum will be necessary to meet the requirements of the future.

"While the carriers fully recognize and acknowledge their obligations to the public, and are alive to the responsibilities so imposed, they are helpless to fulfill these obligations unless the financial result of their operation is such as to inspire the confidence of private capital and encourage the support of private enterprise, and the result of operation during the last three years is not such as to inspire the one or encourage the other."



In setting forth the conditions which have produced the present-railroad situation, Mr. Willard pointed out that "the cost of conducting the business of the carriers has been, and is being, steadily increased by increases in capital charges; increases in wages, in taxes, by burdens imposed by legislative enactments, such as extra-crew laws, employers' liability and compensation Acts, by the elimination of grade crossings, either in part or in whole at the expense of the carriers, and in various other respects."

Mr. Willard called attention to the fact that since 1910 wage payments by the railroads affected had greatly increased—largely as a result of mediation and arbitration proceedings—and that the award just announced by the arbitrators would give the conductors and trainmen \$6,000,000 per annum additional. The effect of the so-called full-crew laws alone has been to increase the expenses of these carriers more than \$4,000,000 per annum.

The railroads affected paid \$54,494,171 in the shape of taxes for 1913, this being \$11,579,187 more than for 1910. The three larger railroad systems paid in taxes \$31,216,000 in 1913, this being \$7,854,000 more than for 1910.

"In short, the railroads have felt the burden of the increased cost of living, like all other enterprises or individuals, but, unlike all others, have not been permitted so far to raise their prices or adjust their charges in recognition of that burden."

The public, added Mr. Willard, demands to-day a higher standard of service than ever before—all of which is reflected in the cost of operation. Further, the freight rates in effect in 1910 have not in the aggregate been maintained, but are in fact lower now than they were then.

"In addition to the actual reduction in rates," continued Mr. Willard, "the continuous decline in the value, that is to say, the purchasing power of money for a number of years past, has had the effect of diminishing still further the burden of the rate to the shipper, while at the same time increasing the burden of the carriers. This influence, reflected in the higher cost of operations, has been world-wide, and has been recognized by rate advances recently made in England, Italy, Switzerland, Belgium, Denmark, Russia, Austria, Hungary and other countries."

"Tendencies which have been operating over a period of at least ten years have resulted in such steadily diminishing net returns that money invested in these railroads, because of the low average rates prevailing in so-called official classification territory, and for other reasons, does not earn the same return as money invested in other enterprises of similar kind or character."

"As a matter of fact money so invested during the last three years, taken as a whole, has earned no return whatever, and during the whole ten-year period under consideration has earned approximately but 2 1/2%."

"In view of all this, those responsible for the management of these properties would not be justified in continuing large expenditures of new capital for additional facilities and equipment, even if such capital were available at reasonable rates of interest."

"The problem in a broad and true sense affects all interests, and the outcome of this particular case—whichever way it is decided—will mark an epoch, because it will, in effect, very largely determine whether we shall, as in the past, continue to look to private capital and private enterprise for our transportation requirements, or be compelled finally to accept the only alternative possible."

Mr. Willard concluded by saying that he thought that the answer to the question of how the railroads were to obtain the new capital necessary was to be found in these words of the report of the Commission in 1910, which he had already quoted: "We should allow such rates which will yield to this capital as large a return as it could have obtained from other investment of the same grade. If rates formerly in effect have become insufficient, then higher rates should be permitted. Commerce and industry cannot afford to wait on transportation facilities."

Mr. Frederick A. Delano, Receiver of the Wabash Railroad, spoke for the railroads west of Pittsburgh and Buffalo and east of the Mississippi River. He contended that the "whole situation" in the Middle West "is the fair measure of the reasonableness of rates in that territory, and calls for a very substantial increase in rates."

For the Pennsylvania Railroad System, East and West, C. M. Bunting submitted the following remarks and statement:

These statements cover all railroad corporations controlled, affiliated in interest and operated as a part of the Pennsylvania System, East and West, but do not include certain roads which are not a part of the system, though the Pennsylvania Railroad system has some stock interest therein.

The capital obligations in the statement include only those owned by the public or by other companies outside the system, and the reason for the exclusion of inter-corporate system ownerships, dividends on stock and interest on funded debt and other receipts and payments in connection therewith is a desire to deal with the question from the viewpoint of the relations between the railroad and the public and avoid duplication.

In property investment, the entire amount for each company in the system has been included, as this total represents investment in the plant devoted to public use. In this way, the comparison of net operating income with property investment, and net corporate income with capital stock outstanding, is a true reflection of actual facts from such viewpoint.

*Return on Property Investment.*

The first and one of the most important features is the Property Investment account, which represents the book value of the investment in road and equipment. The return on property investment shows a declining tendency since 1903 and a steady decline since 1910. Thus, between 1903 and 1913 there has been an increase in property investment account of \$530,750,073 and an increase in net operating income of \$11,860,533, or only 2.23% on the increased property investment. Indeed, between the years 1910 and 1913 there was an increase of \$207,186,919 in the Property Investment and a decrease in the net operating income of \$11,485,511. In other words, the Pennsylvania system was \$11,485,511 short of even receiving one cent additional return on its enlarged investment. The percentage of return on property investment in 1903 was 7.49%; in 1910 it was 7.41%, and the average for the ten years 1903 to 1912, inclusive, was 6.81%, while in 1913 it had fallen to 5.48%.

In compliance with the accounting regulations of the Inter-State Commerce Commission, the property investment account for the years 1910 to 1913 included all expenditures for additions and betterments made out of surplus subsequent to July 1 1907. This account, however, does not include expenditures of this character made prior to 1907, and which in the case of the Pennsylvania system amounted to \$203,501,337. While it may

be urged that on account of this change in accounting methods, the figures are not on a comparative basis, yet, when put upon a comparative basis practically the same rate of decline is shown.

An examination of the records of the Pennsylvania System back to 1887, and a restoration to the Property Investment of all amounts expended for Additions and Betterments and charged to surplus or income, show that the downward tendency in the percentage Return on Property exists in practically the same degree, for, calculated on this basis, the return on Property Investment in 1903 was 6.86%, as against 4.78% in 1913.

*Mileage.*

The miles of first main track owned have increased, 1903 to 1913, only 3.92%, while the miles of all tracks owned have increased in the same period 23.07%, indicating that the development is intensive rather than extensive.

*Net Corporate Income.*

The Net Corporate Income per cent of Capital Stock was 14.07% in 1903, 13.17% in 1910 and 9.64% in 1913, or a drop of nearly one-third between 1913 and 1903 and of over one-quarter between 1913 and 1910.

*Dividends.*

The dividends paid (per cent of all stock outstanding) were as follows:

1903.	1910.	1913.
5.62%	6.53%	5.67%

The annual surplus after payment of interest and dividends is the System's margin of safety. This has declined as follows:

Per cent of total operating revenues:

1903.	1910.	1913.
12.55%	10.40%	6.39%

Per cent of total capital obligations:

1903.	1910.	1913.
3.71%	2.91%	1.99%

*Return on Capital Obligations.*

The total capital obligations of the Pennsylvania System June 30 1913, \$1,231,138,848, show an increase of 55.87% over the amount outstanding June 30 1903, and during that same period the net corporate income has been reduced from 14.07% on the capital stock to 9.64%. In view, however, of the fact that in recent years there have been considerable conversions of bonds into stock, thereby necessarily reducing the rate earned on the stock, it will be of interest to see the percentage relation for these periods between the net corporate income (plus interest on funded debt) and the total capital obligations. The net corporate income (plus interest on funded debt) per cent, of total capital obligations was 8.74% in 1903, 8.18% in 1910, with an average for the ten years 1903 to 1912 of 7.44%. It has fallen to 6.88% in 1913, being a decrease of over one-fifth in ten years.

It should be noted also, in this connection, that as these figures are made up for the years ended June 30, the total capital obligations include capital stock which was issued during the fiscal year, but which did not participate in the dividend within such years. Making the adjustment for this, the net corporate income (plus interest on funded debt) was in 1903, 8.98%; in 1910, 8.54%; and in 1913, 7.12% on total capital obligations.

*Ratio of Stock to Total Capital Obligations.*

The increase in the percentage of stock to total capital obligations of the Pennsylvania System from 43.89% in 1910 to 50.02% in 1913 was due principally to the issue of stock by the Pennsylvania Railroad Co. and conversions of bonds into stock.

*Comparison Between 1910 and 1913—Revenues and Expenses.*

The operating revenues of 1913 increased \$47,057,640 over 1910, but as the operating expenses increased \$54,492,139 and taxes \$4,079,779, there was a decrease in the net operating income of \$11,485,511, notwithstanding an increase of \$207,186,919 in the Property Investment account.

The average revenue per ton per mile decreased in this three-year period from 6.16 mills to 6.06 mills, and the average revenue per passenger per mile increased from 1.815 cents to 1.825 cents; the net result of the two being on the 1913 traffic, equivalent to a decreased revenue of \$3,828,569. Even admitting that the decline in freight revenue per ton mile may be partly due to a change in the character of the traffic handled, the loss in revenue of \$3,828,569 remains an actual fact. The increase in expenditure is equally an actual fact, both in dollars and when worked out as cost per traffic unit.

The following table shows that per million traffic units (ton miles plus passenger miles) the receipts were \$48 68 less and the expenses were \$417 34 more. The result is the profits are less by more than \$500 per million traffic units, and the Pennsylvania System handled 47,463,335,288 traffic units in 1913.

*Per Million Traffic Units.*

	1910.	1913.	Inc. (+) Dec. (-)
Total Operating Revenues.....	\$8,106 46	\$8,057 78	-\$48 68
Operating Expenses:			
Maintenance of Way and Structures...	1,029 04	1,132 48	+103 44
Maintenance of Equipment.....	1,406 65	1,537 44	+130 79
Transportation and Traffic.....	2,837 44	3,028 79	+191 35
General.....	198 30	201 18	+2 88
Outside Operations.....	223 76	212 64	-11 12
Total Operating Expenses.....	5,695 19	6,112 53	+417 34
Net Operating Revenue.....	2,411 27	1,945 25	-466 02
Taxes.....	269 96	321 28	+51 32
Hire of Equipment, Rents, etc.....	27 03	22 96	-4 07
Net Operating Income.....	2,114 28	1,601 01	-513 27

The amount of wages paid has increased about \$36,000,000 during the period 1910 to 1913, approximately \$15,000,000 of which is due to increased rates of pay, and this is distributed throughout all accounts, and is responsible for a portion of the increase in the Maintenance of Way and Structures and Maintenance of Equipment expenses. In addition large expenditures had to be made in these accounts for more substantial and heavier equipment, the higher standard of roadbed all through; i. e., more ties, installation of tie plates, deeper ballasting to take care of the heavier equipment and extension of and more modern interlocking.

Of the increase of \$14,774,549 in maintenance of equipment expenses in 1913 over 1910, \$11,521,179 was due to repairs to equipment and \$1,110,221 was due to renewals and depreciation.

There has also been an increase in the average number of tons per loaded car of 1.02 tons, and an increase in the average daily mileage of freight cars (System East) from 25.80 to 27.35 per car.

Transportation expenses are affected to a greater degree than other departments of expense by increases in wages, and they also have the added burden of the cost of hours of service law, the cost of extra-crew laws and increased cost of fuel. On the other hand, transportation expenses have been kept down by the increased lading per car, the increase in the train load and the decrease in the number of pounds of fuel per thousand ton miles, most of which, except possibly the latter, has been made possible through the additional outlay represented in Property Investment account.

	1903.	1910.	1913.
Tons per loaded car mile.....	21.14	24.69	25.71
Train load (tons).....	436.32	523.21	582.00
Pounds of fuel consumed per 1,000 traffic ton miles.....	765	732	727



Taxes have increased \$4,079,779 as between 1910 and 1913, and there has been an increase in taxes per mile of first main track, per mile of all main tracks, per mile of all tracks, as well as an increase in the ratio to total operating revenue, and a still greater increase in the ratio to net operating revenue.

The result compared with 1910 of the increase in expenses, which is greater than the increase in operating revenue, is a decline of \$11,485,511 in net operating income in 1913, notwithstanding an increase of \$207,186,919 in the Property Investment account for the same period.

Summing up the operations, we have, comparing 1913 with 1910, an increase in tonnage, but a decrease in the average revenue per ton per mile, an increase in operating revenues of 14.03%, an increase of 23.13% in operating expenses; an increase of 36.53% in taxes and a decrease of 13.13% in net operating income, with an increase of 17.56% in the Property Investment account.

Comparison, 1913 with 1910.

	Amount.	Per Cent.
Property investment	Inc. \$207,186,919	Inc. 17.56
Operating revenues	Inc. 47,057,640	Inc. 14.03
Operating expenses	Inc. 54,492,139	Inc. 23.13
Taxes	Inc. 4,079,779	Inc. 36.53
Net operating income	Dec. 11,485,511	Dec. 13.13
Traffic units	Inc. 6,090,583,461	Inc. 14.72

During the period 1903-1913 the total capital obligations have increased 56% and the property investment account has increased 62%, as against a 23% increase in the mileage of all tracks owned, showing that the Property investment per mile has considerably increased. The increase in the Property Investment account per mile is due to many things: larger and more expensive terminals and stations for both passenger and freight; elimination of curves, grades and crossings; heavier and improved bridges, rails, ties, signals, interlocking, &c., and generally a more substantial standard of roadbed to carry the heavier equipment, which is shown by the increase in the total tractive power of locomotives, amounting to 80% as between 1903 and 1913, and the increase in total capacity of freight cars of 62%, as well as by the substitution of steel for wooden cars.

As between 1910 and 1913 the tons carried one mile have increased 5,436,789,223, or 14.52%, and the passengers carried one mile increased 653,794,238, or 16.62%; the total freight and passenger units carried one mile have increased 6,090,583,461, or 14.72%.

Even if the total freight revenues of the Pennsylvania System in 1913 had been greater by 5%, the return from operations upon the Property Investment would have been 6.42%—or only about 1% greater than the percentage actually realized. The return from operations even then—including 5% additional—would still have been nearly \$14,000,000 short of the amount necessary to give the same return upon the property as that earned in 1910—namely 7.41%.

Speaking on behalf of the New York Central, W. C. Wishart, statistician, stated that his system since June 30 1910 had added \$159,000,000 to the property which it devoted to public use. Mr. Wishart added:

"The whole system had in the year just closed \$3,284,730 less net corporate income than in 1910. The dividends declared in 1913 were over \$4,000,000 less than in 1910, notwithstanding the increase of \$49,000,000 in the gross operating revenues. In other words, since June 30 1910 there has been added to the property investment about \$1,000,000 a week, while the net corporate income in 1913 was less by about \$63,000 a week than in 1910, indicating that expansion of business has caused a net loss to the stockholders. The year 1913 shows a large increase in operating revenues, 18.76% over 1910, but operating expenses increased 23.59% and taxes 32.28%, leaving the operating income only 4.91% greater than it was in 1910. This latter increase was more than absorbed by the large expenditures classed as 'other deductions' from income and by higher fixed charges, so that the net corporate income was 7.52% less than in 1910. Taxes have grown at a rate greater than either revenues or operating expenses. In 1913 taxes required an amount equal to 64.5% of the total dividend disbursements."

In indicating the effect which the changed conditions since 1910 have had on the 1913 income of the Baltimore & Ohio, Mr. Shriver stated that "revenues decreased by reason of reduction in rates, \$900,000; total added expenses and taxes, including \$4,000,000 for increase in wages, \$6,467,000; increase interest charge at 5% on \$56,000,000, \$2,800,000, or a total increased expense of \$9,267,000." The surplus of the road, Mr. Shriver testified, was in 1910 \$4,773,000, after paying interest and dividends, and in 1913 was \$1,906,000.

Mr. Maxwell, General Traffic Manager of the Wabash, testified as to the financial condition and results of operation of the line in the Central Freight Association Territory—those between Pittsburgh and Buffalo—his statistics relating to 38 railroads with 31,937 miles of line. According to his evidence, all the roads in the Central Freight Association territory, while showing in 1913 a gross increase in operating revenues of \$78,000,000 more than for 1910, nevertheless, after paying operating expenses and taxes, suffered a loss of \$12,000,000 in operating income. This result, he said, was due to an increase in the ratio of operating expenses and taxes to gross as between 1910 and 1913 from 72% to 78.2%. This showing was made despite the fact that large sums of new capital were invested in additions and betterments. Besides the loss in net revenues for the year ended June 30 1913, as compared with 1910, the figures for these same 38 roads for the three months of July, August and September 1913 show a decrease in net operating earnings of \$6,937,353, or approximately 20%.

Protests against the increased rates were formally filed on the 24th inst. on behalf of the Pittsburgh Coal Co. and the New Pittsburgh Coal Co. of Pittsburgh, Pa., and Columbus, O., by Charles M. Johnston, E. C. Morton and Frank Lyon, who later will argue against the increase.

BANKING, FINANCIAL AND LEGISLATIVE NEWS.

The public sales of bank stocks this week aggregate 63 shares, of which 41 shares were sold at the Stock Exchange and 22 shares at auction. The transactions in trust company stocks reach a total of 25 shares. National Bank of Commerce stock advanced five points over last week's sale price, some small lots being sold at 173.

Shares.	BANKS—New York.	Low.	High.	Close.	Last previous sale.
12	City Bank, National	340	340	340	Sept. 1913— 370
*35	Commerce, Nat. Bank of	170	173	173	Nov. 1913— 168
*3	Manhattan Co., Bank of	315	315	315	Oct. 1913— 321
10	Metropolis, Bank of	300	300	300	Nov. 1913— 345
*3	Park Bank, National	353	353	353	Feb. 1913— 370
TRUST COMPANY—New York.					
8	United States Trust Co.	1050	1050	1050	Mar. 1912— 1132
TRUST COMPANIES—Brooklyn.					
5	Brooklyn Trust Co.	475½	475½	475½	April 1913— 497
12	Nassau Trust Co.	130	130	130	Aug. 1912— 130

\*Sold at the Stock Exchange.

Following the previously announced procedure, the Administration currency bill, as passed by the House of Representatives, was submitted to the Senate last Saturday, together with the two drafts prepared by the divided Senate Banking and Currency Committee. The Glass bill was presented without any recommendation by Chairman Owen, whose separate report embodied the views of himself and five other Democrats of the Senate, while the views of the five Republicans and Senator Hitchcock, Democrat, were portrayed in the report filed by the latter. As indicated last week, the House bill provides for twelve regional banks, the Democratic Senate bill eight and the Hitchcock-Republican bill for four regional banks. Debate on the subject in the Senate was opened by Senator Owen on Monday, and on the following day Senator Hitchcock spoke on behalf of those with whom he is aligned. In response to a call issued on Tuesday by Senator Kern, a Democratic conference on currency legislation was held on Wednesday morning. At this conference it was decided, on motion of Senator O'Gorman, that there shall be no Christmas recess, and, furthermore, that beginning next Monday the Senate shall sit night and day until final action on the bill is secured. The following is the resolution under which this agreement was made:

Resolved, That it is the sense of this conference that, beginning on the first day of December 1913 the Senate should meet at 10 o'clock a. m., and should sit until 6 p. m.; recess until 8 p. m., and sit until 11 p. m. each day until the currency bill be voted on, and that no Christmas recess be taken except for Christmas Day unless the currency bill be passed prior thereto, the adjournment being from the 24th until the 26th of December.

While the Senate adjourned from Wednesday until to-day (Saturday), the Democrats of the Senate have continued their conference, as agreed under a second resolution passed on Wednesday, as below:

Resolved, That the conference reconvene immediately after the adjournment of the Senate and continue during the rest of this week unless the consideration of the banking and currency bill is sooner terminated.

About one-third of the bill, as reported by Senator Owen and the five other Democrats, was gone over at the conference on Thanksgiving Day, which was attended by only about one-half of the Democrats of the Senate. One of the chief acts of the conference on that day was the approval of the plan for regional banks owned and controlled by the national banks, as provided in the House and Owen bills. Yesterday the conference instructed the Banking and Currency Committee of the Senate to write into the pending bill a clause for the guarantee of bank deposits. The conference also decided to forbid any member of the Federal Reserve Board holding office or in any way being connected with any bank for two years after he has retired from membership on the board.

Besides the defection of Senator Hitchcock from the Democratic ranks, Senator Lane of Oregon has refused to bind himself to caucus action. Mr. Lane thinks that fundamentally both the Owen and Hitchcock bills are wrong, because they give too great concessions to bankers, although he approves of some of the features of the two; he has decided, therefore, to hold himself free to vote for any amendment offered in the Senate which he favors.

The present session of Congress will terminate next Monday, when the new Congress will convene. The extra session, which opened on April 7, has thus continued uninterrupted into the regular session, despite the efforts which were repeatedly made to secure a recess.

Below we give in part the report submitted to the Senate last Saturday by Chairman Owen:

"When the hearings before the Senate Committee on Banking and Currency were concluded, the members of the Committee discussed the



bill for over two weeks, finally agreeing to submit their separate views in the form of the House bill, H. R. 7838, with certain amendments thereto, representing the respective views of the two sections of the Committee.

"Both sections of the Committee, however, agreed on the great fundamentals of the bill—that is:

- First: The concentration of the banking reserves of the country.
- Second: The volume of such reserves.
- Third: The volume of the capital of the proposed banks.
- Fourth: The mobilization of such reserves.
- Fifth: The promotion of an open discount market.
- Sixth: The provision for elastic currency; the issuance of Federal reserve notes.
- Seventh: That the Federal notes should be the obligations of the United States.

Eighth: That the system should be the regional Federal reserve bank system instead of a central bank.

Ninth: The control of the system itself by the Government. But the two sections of the Committee disagree upon the number of the Federal reserve banks, the method of subscribing for the stock of such banks, the method of electing the directors of such banks, the method of administering the regional reserve banks, and these differences arise, in the main, because of two schools of thought, one part of the Committee believing in a central bank administered by a central board and the other part of the Committee proposing to establish a number of comparatively independent district banks administered by boards of directors chosen from and representing the several districts.

The chief purposes of the banking and currency bill are to give stability to the commerce and industry of the United States, prevent financial panics or financial stringencies; make available effective commercial credit for individuals engaged in manufacturing, in commerce, in finance and in business to the extent of their just deserts; put an end to the pyramiding of bank reserves of the country and the use of such reserves for gambling purposes on the Stock Exchange.

In order to accomplish these results, there are certain great fundamentals recognized by all experts as essential and necessary, to wit:

- First: The concentration of the bank reserves of the country under the control of the banks themselves, safeguarded by Governmental supervision.
- Second: A suitable banking capital as a margin of safety.
- Third: Placing the larger part of the Government funds with such banks, where they may be used in the service of the national commerce.
- Fourth: Authorizing the issuance of elastic currency against liquid commercial bills under proper safeguards.
- Fifth: Establishing an open market for liquid commercial bills by providing through the reserve banks a constant and unfailing market for such bills at a steady rate of interest.
- Sixth: Finally protecting the gold reserve of the United States by the same methods adopted in Europe, to wit: raising the rate of interest through the Federal reserve banks and authorizing such banks to acquire foreign bills when gold shipments are anticipated, and taking other precautionary measures.

These important national ends are proposed to be obtained by the mechanism of eight Federal reserve banks organized with a capital equal to 6% of the capital and surplus of the national and State banks in the several districts. The eight districts are proposed to be laid off by an organization committee, who shall organize a Federal reserve bank with headquarters in a central city of each district, each bank to establish as many branches in its district as may be found expedient. It is proposed that each Federal reserve bank shall have nine directors, six elected by the banks and three chosen by the Federal Reserve Board.

The entire system is proposed to be under the supervisory control of the Federal Reserve Board, consisting of the Secretary of the Treasury and six other members of such Board appointed by the President and confirmed by the Senate. The Federal Reserve Board is given very broad powers of supervision and is assisted by a Federal advisory council consisting of one representative from each of the Federal reserve banks.

The reserves of the banks of the United States are now scattered, without any system, among over 25,000 individual banks. The present law permits the national banks in the country to keep nine-fifteenths of their reserves in the banks of the reserve cities and permits banks of the reserve cities to keep one-half of their reserves in the central reserve cities, and permits the banks in the central reserve cities to keep only one-fourth of these reserves in cash. The effect of this system—the necessary effect of this system—is to concentrate in the hands of a few banks in the central reserve cities (who have diligently sought the reserves of other banks) to such an extent that the nation's bank reserves are pyramided in a dangerous fashion in the hands of a few banks in the three central reserve cities, and chiefly in certain banks in New York City.

These central reserve city banks have been accustomed to pay 2% on the deposit of these bank reserves placed with them, and, having no place to which they themselves might go for re-discount, they have fallen into the habit of placing very large sums of these reserves, amounting to hundreds of millions, upon call on the New York Stock Exchange, for the simple reason that, under the law of the Stock Exchange, they can sell the stock collateral immediately on any day when money is actually needed. It may be ruinous to the borrower—it may wipe out his margin—it may cause him a disastrous loss; it may upset the interest rates of the country, excite alarm, and result in final panic; but it does furnish the money when needed.

We are advised by representative bankers in New York that the great banks there would be glad to improve the system by the establishment of Federal reserve banks strong enough to furnish money quickly on demand against good commercial bills, and thus enable the New York banks to withdraw their funds from the Stock Exchange (which has become the most gigantic gambling establishment in the world), and place such funds in the service of legitimate industry and commerce. This will be one of the great benefits of the pending measure—that is, it will withdraw from gambling enterprises on the Stock Exchange the bank reserves of the country, and enable such reserves to be used for the commerce of the nation.

Chairman Owen's reason for limiting the stock subscription to banks, instead of opening it to the public, is outlined in the report as follows:

- First: to protect the large deposits of general funds which the United States will probably place with such banks.
- Second: to protect the United States against the extension of credits in the Federal reserve notes, the obligations of the United States, loaned to the Federal reserve banks against commercial bills.
- Third: to safeguard the system itself, to protect the large volume of reserves placed in such banks and give to such banks the confidence of the world.
- Fourth: to justify the Government in putting on the banks the prime responsibility of administering these banks and safeguarding their own reserves and their own capital stock and making them responsible to the country for safeguarding the welfare of the national banking system, protecting the national gold supply, under the safeguard of Governmental supervision.

With regard to the bond redemption plan of the Democratic Senators, Mr. Owen said:

We have preferred to absorb such of these bonds as would be offered on the market by permitting the Federal reserve banks to buy such 2% bonds and issue Federal reserve notes against them, just as the national banks do, and have further permitted such Federal banks to resume the redemption to not to exceed \$36,000,000 of national bank notes issued against such bonds and to take over such bonds and issue Federal reserve notes against such bonds, leaving the bonds with the Treasurer of the United States in trust in the form of 3% bonds or 3% annual notes, in this way assuring to the Government the earning power upon the circulation taking the place of the retired national bank circulation.

To indicate the resources of the proposed system, the following data were furnished in the Democratic report:

The capital stock of 25,195 banks in the United States, including savings banks, amounts to \$2,010,000,000; surplus, \$1,585,000,000. Six per cent of this sum would be something over \$200,000,000, and the total liability would make over \$400,000,000. Assuming that one-half of these concerns enter the system, it would give a capital of \$100,000,000, with over \$50,000,000 paid in.

The total reserves which would be paid into the Federal reserve banks by 7,120 national banks, outside of reserve or central reserve cities, would be \$166,000,000; from 315 reserve city banks, \$110,000,000, and from 52 central reserve city banks, \$96,000,000, which, including an estimated deposit of \$150,000,000 from the Government, would make an amount equal to \$672,000,000.

If the State banks and trust companies come in, omitting the savings banks, it would add \$279,000,000 of reserves and \$21,000,000 of capital stock, making a total of \$972,000,000.

These funds would not include any optional deposits that might be voluntarily placed with the Federal reserve banks.

The report representing the opinions of the Republican members of the Committee, with whom Senator Hitchcock coincides, said:

Waiving a strong preference which prevailed in the committee in favor of a single Government bank with branches, we accepted the regional bank plan as the only hopeful outlook for action by this Congress, but retained the amendment substituting four regional banks for twelve. While the single Government bank plan would produce the only perfect mobilization of reserves, as has been demonstrated by the experience of other countries, the adoption of four regional banks under a single control will, it is thought, approximate this result, and in a country so large as ours, with so many banks, probably prove efficient. Every addition to this number of reserve banks must inevitably tend to dissipate the reserves and weaken the system. The more reserve banks the less perfect will be the use of reserve funds, which means that asset currency will be issued with greater frequency and in larger volume.

In our opinion the ownership of the stock by the people is highly important. If \$106,000,000 of stock in these four reserve banks can be sold to the public as a 5% investment, there will be thereby added to the banking capital of the United States that great sum of money.

It has seemed wise to us, moreover, that upon these reserve banks the Government should have a majority of the board of directors. We have therefore proposed an amendment giving the Government five and the banking interests four of these directors.

We have proposed that the national banks shall decide whether to join this new system or not within six months, as it has seemed to us that a year is an unnecessary length of time. We have recommended that the size of the Federal reserve board be increased to nine because of the vast interests which are entrusted to it, the great country which must be covered and the many questions and complaints which must be considered. We have thought also that every member of the board should give his whole time to the work and we have therefore excluded the Secretary of Agriculture and the Comptroller of the Currency, the duties of whose offices already absorb all their time.

We have extended the limit of commercial paper which may be discounted by Federal reserve banks from three months to six months because we have found that thousands of banks in the West and in the South necessarily take six months' paper because of the longer time required for agricultural processes than for the manufacturing and mercantile processes of the East. We have, however, provided that of the discounted paper of any bank, not more than 50% of it shall be for the long-time period, and we have sought to further limit this by providing that in no case can any bank have over \$200,000 of paper discounted exceeding a maturity of ninety days.

We have recommended an amendment by which every member bank is given as a matter of right the privilege of discount at its reserve bank to the amount of its capital stock at the lowest current rate of interest providing it presents eligible paper. This is done to prevent discrimination against a bank and to make every bank feel certain that it will receive the benefits of the system. On the other hand, we have also recommended that a Federal reserve bank shall not discount the paper of any member bank to a greater extent than twice its capital stock. This is to prevent favoritism and undue expansion. We design also to place a check upon undue expansion of bank credits by providing that when a bank is allowed discount paper to a greater amount than its capital stock it shall pay a higher rate of discount.

We have raised the reserve against notes in Federal reserve banks from 33 1-3 to 45% because the experience of the great countries of the world and because our own experience with greenbacks has indicated that this limit is the safe one.

We have provided, however, that in case of emergency the reserve board may authorize a reserve bank to fall below its limit of 45% when it is necessary to give relief to member banks, but in such cases it shall pay a tax for each 2 1/2% of deficiency.

We have provided that the reserve against notes must be gold or gold certificates, and we have therefore recommended that the words "or lawful money" in the House bill be stricken out.

Senator Owen, in his remarks with the opening of the debate on the bill on Monday, followed largely the report submitted by him on the previous Saturday. Reviewing the causes which call for the passage of currency legislation, he referred to the panic of 1907 to illustrate the defects in the present system. He likewise alluded to the Pujo "Money Trust" investigation, saying on this point:

The Pujo money trust investigation disclosed that 100 men dominated control of over \$22,000,000,000, an unthinkable sum equal to one-third of the entire national wealth. The Pujo report showed that a handful of men had secured a practical supremacy over the credit of the country,



that they could at will shake the foundations of the country, bring on stringencies at pleasure and could carry them to the point of a panic which would close the doors of every bank in the country in a single day. I will not pretend that the panic of 1907 was an accident. The results of that panic in October of that year indicate that what happened was a part of a concerted plan by which a few men enriched themselves and administered what they conceived to be a terrific political rebuke to the Administration then in power. The report of the Glass committee, which laid the groundwork for the House bill, showed that individuals had exercised an unrestrained, individual and irresponsible power over the credit of the country.

Mr. Owen also observed that:

It is of urgent importance to the business interests of the country that this bill should be passed as soon as possible. The banks are hesitating to make loans and are piling up their reserves. Business men cannot get credit, and the whole country has been waiting with a great deal of impatience for the enactment of currency legislation. The general purposes of the measures before the Senate are the same. It will not be difficult to reconcile the differences.

Senator Hitchcock in addressing the Senate on Tuesday declared that the Owen draft as compared with the House bill represented 60% new matter, while the Hitchcock bill was new to the extent of 64%. In reviewing the differences between the two Senate proposals, he said:

One of the most obvious defects in the House bill is the proposal to establish 12 regional banks. This defect is so plain that both wings of the committee have recognized them. Most of the reserve banks so established would inevitably be so weak in capital and deposits as to be entirely useless. If it were possible to organize them, they would hardly pay operating expenses and would be the source of danger instead of strength.

The "Evening Post" prints the following as to the further arguments of Senator Hitchcock:

In lieu of the Administration plan, he advocated the four-regional-bank plan of himself and colleagues, which would result, he said, in the establishment of a regional bank in New York, with a capital of \$50,000,000 and deposits of \$350,000,000; in Chicago, capital \$29,000,000, deposits \$200,000,000; in St. Louis, capital \$16,000,000, deposits \$100,000,000, and in San Francisco, capital \$10,000,000 and deposits \$65,000,000. To establish more banks than that, the Senator feared, might result in a failure to earn more than operating expenses in many localities besides disturbing the present channels, built on habit and custom, which have grown up in the financial world.

Senator Hitchcock also pointed out nine distinct differences between his bill and the Administration measure which he believed vital to the proposed new system. Public ownership of the stock of the Federal reserve banks, which his bill proposes, he asserted, would be intensely popular with the people. He also spoke in detail on the plan of stock subscriptions proposed in the various bills, and said the graduated requirements of his measure were intended to relieve "the shock and strain" imposed by the new system on present conditions. He described the present amount of banking capital in the country as wholly inadequate, and took the Owen measure to task for failing to provide an adequate method of discounting agricultural loans in the West and Southwest.

Senator Newlands offered a new currency plan in a resolution which he presented on Tuesday. This would create reserve associations in which the membership of State and national banks would be compulsory. These associations would hold at least one-third of the reserves of all the banks in their respective States; in turn they would deposit one-third of these reserves in a Federal association at Washington.

A comparison of the provisions of the House bill, the Democratic Senate bill and the Hitchcock Republican bill is furnished by the "Philadelphia Ledger" as follows:

#### ADMINISTRATION HOUSE BILL.

Creates twelve regional banks, capitalized at \$100,000,000. Stock, which is to be subscribed by individual banks, represents 20% of their combined capital; national banks are compelled to join, but State banks and trust companies may join. The Federal reserve banks shall be banks of issue and re-discount and shall be the fiscal agents of the United States Government. Stock shall be subscribed by the national banks. One-fourth shall be paid for in cash, one-fourth in sixty days and the remaining one-half subject to call.

#### Division of Earnings.

Stock to pay 5%. Additional earnings to be divided as follows: One-half to create a sinking fund of 20%. Above that net earnings shall be distributed 60% to the Government and 40% to member banks in the ratio of their average balances with the reserve bank.

#### Regional Bank Officers.

Nine directors shall conduct each regional bank, six to be chosen by the banks and three by the Federal Reserve Board. One-half of those named by the banks shall represent the financial and commercial interests of the district.

#### Federal Reserve Board.

Shall consist of seven members, including the Secretary of the Treasury, Secretary of Agriculture and Comptroller of the Currency. Four shall be named by the President with due regard to the geographical divisions of the country. Salaries \$10,000 and term of office eight years.

#### Re-discounts.

Re-discount privilege shall be restricted to member banks and limited to commercial paper maturing within three months. Four months paper may be re-discounted, however, when reserve bank has one-third cash reserve. Reserve banks shall receive deposits of money, checks and drafts for collection and bills of exchange. They shall also receive all Government funds above the necessary working balance in the Treasury.

#### Foreign Branches.

Any national bank with \$1,000,000 capital may establish a branch abroad

#### Savings Department.

National banks may segregate 20% of their capital stock and operate a savings bank department.

#### Reserves against Deposits.

Country banks shall maintain a 12% reserve, of which 5% shall be in their own vaults in lawful money. For fourteen months 3%, and thereafter 5%, of its reserves shall be maintained with the reserve bank. The remainder may be left on deposit with reserve city banks.

#### Note Issues.

The Federal reserve notes are to be issued at the discretion of the Federal Reserve Board. They shall be redeemable in gold or lawful money. Notes

shall be issued on collateral security of an equal amount. They shall be secured by a reserve of 33 1-3% in gold or lawful money.

#### Redemption Fund.

A 5% redemption fund in gold shall be maintained at the Treasury.

#### Collections.

Reserve banks shall receive at par checks and drafts upon any of its depositors, making no charge for collection.

#### Bond Redemption.

Any national bank may apply to the Secretary of the Treasury in any one year for the refund of 5% of its 2% bonds bearing the circulation privilege, and shall receive 3% 20-year bonds without their circulation privilege. At the end of twenty years all 2s shall be refunded and the outstanding circulation canceled.

#### DEMOCRATIC SENATE BILL.

Creates eight regional reserve banks to be capitalized at \$106,000,000, equal to 6% of the combined capital and surplus of member banks. Membership of national banks is made compulsory and of State banks permissive. If the stock is not subscribed by the banks, it shall be offered to the public, and that not absorbed shall be taken by the Government. No person or corporation except a member bank shall secure more than \$10,000 of stock.

#### Division of Earnings.

Stock shall pay 6% dividend. The surplus earnings shall first go to create a 20% surplus fund and after that to the United States as a franchise tax. The Government's earnings shall be applied to reducing its bonded indebtedness.

#### Regional Bank Officers.

The affairs of each Federal reserve bank shall be administered by a board of nine directors, of three classes: Class A—Three members chosen by the banks. Class B—Three chosen by the banks' representatives from the agricultural, industrial and commercial world. Class C—Three members selected by the Federal Reserve Board.

#### Federal Reserve Board.

Supervision of the whole system is lodged in a Federal Reserve Board of seven members, including the Secretary of the Treasury and six members named by the President. The directors shall be chosen with due regard to a fair representation of the "financial, commercial and geographical divisions of the country." They shall serve for six years and receive \$10,000 per annum.

#### Re-discounts.

Reserve banks may re-discount the direct obligations of member banks, secured by "satisfactory securities." The amount loaned shall not exceed three-fourths the value of these securities. Discount of bills receivable or foreign bills and acceptances shall be subject to regulations imposed by the Federal Reserve Board.

#### Foreign Branches.

Any member bank with \$1,000,000 capital and surplus may establish a foreign branch.

#### Saving Department.

Stricken out of the bill.

#### Reserve Against Deposits.

Federal reserve banks shall maintain a 35% reserve in gold or lawful money against its deposits and note issues in circulation. Its gold reserve in its own vaults and with the Treasury for redemption shall be 33 1-3% of notes outstanding. County banks shall maintain a 12% reserve against their demand liabilities, and 5% of their time deposits. The disposition of these reserves varies after 14 months, and again after 36 months.

#### Collections.

A Federal reserve bank shall collect checks and drafts for its member banks or other reserve banks, but a reasonable charge may be made by the member bank making the collection, subject to the approval of the Federal Reserve Board.

#### Bond Redemption.

Any member bank may surrender its 2% bonds to the Secretary of the Treasury, who shall assume responsibility for the outstanding bank note issues thus secured. At the option of the Federal Reserve Board, these bonds may be converted into 3% bonds, or as one-year Treasury notes, renewable for 20 years and bearing 3% interest. The limit of redemption shall be \$36,000,000 annually. The circulating notes thus retired shall be redeemed out of funds furnished the Secretary of the Treasury by the Federal reserve bank making the application. The Federal Reserve Board shall, in turn, deliver to the regional reserve bank an equal amount of Federal reserve notes. The Treasury shall hold the bonds as security for such notes.

#### HITCHCOCK REPUBLICAN SENATE BILL.

Creates four regional reserve banks, capitalized at \$106,000,000, representing 6% of the combined capital and surplus of the banks. Four additional reserve banks may be created by Federal Reserve Board after two years. Stock shall be subscribed by the public, but underwritten by the banks, payment to be made in gold or gold certificates, one-third in cash, one-third within thirty days and one-third within sixty days.

#### Division of Earnings.

Stock to pay 5%. Additional earnings shall be divided as follows: One-fourth to create a surplus fund of 20%, then 37 1/2% to create a depositors' insurance fund. All above that goes to the Government.

#### Regional Bank Officers.

Nine directors shall operate the regional reserve bank. Five shall be chosen by the Federal Reserve Board and four by the member banks.

#### Federal Reserve Board.

Shall consist of nine members, including the Secretary of the Treasury. The President shall name eight members for eight-year terms. They shall receive \$12,000 annually.

#### Re-discounts.

Paper for re-discounts shall be accepted from member banks at three-fourths of its face value. Each member bank, "as a matter of right," may discount up to an amount equal to its capital stock. On 50% more re-discounts, it shall pay an additional tax of 1% and on an additional 50% 2% additional. The limit is made twice the bank's capital stock.

#### Foreign Branches.

Any member bank with \$5,000,000 capital may establish a foreign branch.

#### Savings Department.

Stricken out of the bill.

#### Reserves Against Deposits.

Country banks shall maintain a 12% reserve against deposits—4% in its own vaults, 1% to be deposited each six months in a reserve bank until 4% is so deposited, and 4% either in its own vaults or with the reserve bank.

#### Note Issues.

Federal reserve notes shall be issued under authority of the Federal Reserve Board. They shall be redeemable in gold alone.

#### Reserves.

Notes shall be issued to reserve banks in amount equal to the security deposited and secured by reserves of 45% of gold or gold certificates. Reduction in the gold reserve below 45% is permitted down to 30% on penalty of a 1% tax for each 2 1/2% decrease.



*Redemption Fund.*

A gold redemption fund of 5% shall be maintained at the Treasury to be increased to 10% at the discretion of the Secretary of the Treasury.

*Collections.*

Reserve banks shall receive checks and drafts for collection, but member banks may make a reasonable charge for collecting and remitting funds, subject to the approval of the Reserve Board.

One effect of the non-interruption between the special and regular session is to deprive the Congressmen of the usual mileage which they would have received under an adjournment. Altogether, this would have amounted to \$226,000, of which the Representatives would have been entitled to \$175,000 while \$51,000 would have gone to the Senators.

It is announced that foremost among the matters affecting banks which will occupy the attention of the next Congress is a plan for the revision of the national banking laws which will include important questions originally contemplated as a part of the Currency Bill but set aside until the coming session. In connection with this proposed revision, it is stated that Congress will take up the far-reaching question of rural credits, the problem of providing cheaper money for the farmer who now mortgages his land at high rates of interest to secure ready funds. The Rural Credits Commission, after an exhaustive investigation of the subject, including an examination of farm-loan systems, abroad, is at work on a report to Congress which will recommend some sort of a law on the subject. The many recommendations of the "Money Trust" investigating committee of the House which went into the question of the concentration of money and credits exhaustively during the last Congress, also will be used in the work of revision. The regulation of clearing-house associations and stock exchanges by Federal law will be considered, the dispatches state. One of the provisions which probably will be inserted in the new law will forbid interlocking directorates in national banks. An effort has been made to put this prohibition in the pending currency bill, but the Administration maintains that it should go into the new banking law.

Having accomplished the work which it set out to perform, the National Citizens' League for the Promotion of a Sound Banking System has suspended its activities. The final number of the League's journal, "Banking Reform," issued Nov. 1, announced the completion of its work and the closing on that date of its office in Chicago. While its activity is abandoned, it is stated that the corporation will continue its existence for some time yet. In making known the intention of the League to discontinue its campaign, the publication said:

An acceptable banking law has not yet been passed. But such legislative progress has been made that there is no shadow of doubt that legislation is certain. It may be a matter of only a few weeks. It cannot be a matter of more than a few months. From no source worth considering has come any suggestion to continue the present banking and currency system. There is a unanimous opinion that there must be a reform and that it must be comprehensive, effective and satisfactory.

No work the League could do would change this situation. The League not only did not undertake to get a bill through Congress, it specifically disclaimed any such intention. It did undertake an educational campaign, whose final result, it was hoped, would be the creation of a general sentiment in demand of banking reform. As the evidence that such sentiment has been effectively created, and in manifestation of its existence and force, a banking reform bill, admitted to be at least 80% good, has passed the lower House of Congress. The Senate Banking and Currency Committee is House of Congress. The Senate Banking and Currency Committee is proceeding carefully to increase the percentage of good.

There is further evidence of the efficacy of the League's campaign. The trend of opinion is entirely toward soundness. There is recognition of differences which mark the divergent views of men as to the functions of Government. There is present the disputed and disputable issue of the extent of Government's participation in banking and control over the banking system, but there is seldom even a hint that the objects outlined by the League as those to be attained are not the essence of soundness. No scheme of banking reform which failed to give them recognition would be worth considering or would receive consideration. The question is still one of the operating machinery to be devised, and this problem has been so greatly simplified that it is a matter of the number of reserve banks that can be practically useful and absolutely strong, the manner of their institution and government, the powers the executive force shall be given and the method of bringing banks into the system.

In respect of these things, the officers and members of the State sections of the League have exerted a great influence. As individuals who were closely connected with the movement they will continue to exert a great influence to the end. Abandonment of the League's active campaign marks no loss of interest in banking reform on the part of the thousands who have participated. There is an army of business men in the country whose interest is keen and who will continue as the promoters of the movement until results are satisfactory.

The League was formed in 1911 with headquarters in Chicago and branches in important cities of the country. John V. Farwell has been at the head of the organization.

With a view to the adoption of uniform measures for the greater protection of the investing public, the New York

Stock Exchange this week passed a resolution calling for the appointment by President Mabon of a committee which is to make a study of the subject of corporation organization and financing, and is to report thereon from time to time to the Governing Committee. The following is the resolution adopted:

*Whereas*, the questions involved in the incorporation, organization, promotion and capitalization of corporations and the flotation of their securities vitally affect the securities listed on the New York Stock Exchange as well as the great quantity of securities not so listed, and

*Whereas*, it is the desire of this Exchange to co-operate as far as possible in bringing about the adoption of uniform measures for the greater protection of the investing public, through more careful supervision of corporate organization with greater publicity and fuller and more frequent reports of operations than has been customary with many companies in the past,

*Now, Therefore, be it Resolved*, that a committee of five or more be appointed by the President to make the above-mentioned matters the subject of special study, with the object of aiding to such solution of these questions as will tend to increase the safety and integrity of American investments and at the same time afford every encouragement to legitimate enterprise.

Said committee shall report from time to time to the Governing Committee

John H. Marble, a member of the Inter-State Commerce Commission, died suddenly on the 21st inst., following an attack of acute indigestion which he had suffered the previous day. Mr. Marble was taken ill in Philadelphia where he had been conducting the anthracite coal investigation begun by the Commission on the 17th. Because of his illness the hearings were postponed on the 20th, and Mr. Marble returned to Washington, where his death occurred. Mr. Marble was the youngest member of the Commission, being but forty-five years of age. He became connected with the Commission in 1906, when he was appointed confidential clerk to Commissioner Franklin K. Lane, now Secretary of the Department of the Interior. Shortly after he was made chief of the Division of Prosecutions of the Commission. In February 1912 Mr. Marble was made Secretary of the Commission to succeed the late Edward A. Moseley, and last March he succeeded Mr. Lane on the Commission.

An inquiry into cold-storage conditions to ascertain particularly their bearing on the high cost of eggs, was begun by the Department of Justice on the 24th inst. Acting under directions from Attorney-General McReynolds, the employees of the Bureau of Investigation and the Federal district attorneys throughout the country have undertaken to collect information as to the number of eggs in storage, the price at which they were entered, the period of storage, the price at which they are brought from storage, &c. The investigation will cover every large city in the United States which has a foreign source of egg supply. It is stated that prosecutions under both the criminal provisions of the pure-food law and the anti-trust Act will develop if the evidence warrants such procedure. A Congressional inquiry into cold-storage methods is also being urged by Representative McKellar of Tennessee. Mr. McKellar was quoted last week as saying:

I find that there are now stored in cold-storage warehouses in Pennsylvania 10,000,000 dozens of eggs, and that 90% of these have been in storage since April 1. This is probably relatively the case in every State in the Union, and the cold-storage men seem to be simply manipulating the market by creating an artificial scarcity. What is true of the egg situation is also true of fish, meat and butter.

I believe the Federal Government can, by a simple law, largely do away with this unjust use of cold storage. The scheme is simply to prohibit inter-State shipments of all kinds of fresh meats, fish, butter, eggs, and the like, that have been kept in cold storage for a longer period than three months, with fine or imprisonment, or both, for violation. Food gambling cannot be excused on any ground.

An inquiry by Congress into the price of meat is also sought by Representative Britten of Illinois in a resolution introduced on Wednesday. The proposal for a meat investigation is prompted by an announcement that the navy had bought nearly 300,000 pounds of Australian fresh beef at a half-cent a pound lower than the best prices of American packers and 120,000 pounds of canned corned beef from the Australian packers at eight cents a pound cheaper than the lowest price in the United States. Mr. Britten is desirous of ascertaining why the public could not benefit by buying from Australia if the navy could do so.

Dudley Field Malone was sworn in on Monday as Collector of Customs of the Port of New York. As stated in our issue of Nov. 15, Mr. Malone in his new office succeeds Mayor-elect John Purroy Mitchel.

An inquiry into the telephone service of the District of Columbia is directed under a resolution introduced by Senator Norris and adopted by the Senate on the 13th inst. The resolution calls for an investigation into the rates and prac-



tices of the Chesapeake & Potomac Telephone Co.; it reads as follows:

**Resolved,** That the Public Utilities Commission of the District of Columbia be directed to supply the Senate with the following information:

First—The total number of telephones now in use by Government or District officials within the District of Columbia and paid for by appropriations of Congress.

Second—The total amount paid annually for the use of such telephones by the District of Columbia and the total amount paid annually for the use of telephones by United States Government officials.

Third—The total number of telephone exchanges in use by officials of the District of Columbia and by United States Government officials within the District of Columbia.

Fourth—Whether such exchanges were installed at the expense of the District of Columbia and at the expense of the United States Government or whether the same were installed at the expense of the telephone company.

Fifth—Whether said telephone exchanges are operated by employees of the Chesapeake & Potomac Telephone Co. or whether they are operated by employees of the District of Columbia and employees of the United States Government.

Sixth—Whether under the rules and regulations adopted and enforced by the said Chesapeake & Potomac Telephone Co. any preference is given to Members of Congress and Government officials over other users of said telephones, either in regard to the rental charged for the use of telephones or as to conditions under which the use of such telephones can be discontinued.

Seventh—By what law or statute has the said Chesapeake & Potomac Telephone Co. been permitted to operate and carry on its business within the District of Columbia.

Eighth—A schedule of charges for the use of telephones within the District of Columbia enforced by the said Chesapeake & Potomac Telephone Co.

Ninth—The total number of telephones now in use within the District of Columbia.

Tenth—The total capital stock of said Chesapeake & Potomac Telephone Co. and whether said stock, or any part thereof, is owned by other corporations.

Eleventh—How much of said capital stock was actually paid-in in cash. How much, if any, of said capital stock was issued at less than par, and if issued at less than par, then at what price. How much of said capital stock was issued for property other than money; and if so, what was the value of such property as compared with the par value of the stock issued for the same.

Twelfth—Whether said Chesapeake & Potomac Telephone Co. owns the stock, in whole or in part, of other corporations, and, if so, to what extent and the names of such corporations and the value of the stock so owned.

During the debate on the resolution Senator Norris stated that it seemed to him there could be no possible objection to eliciting the information, which may be a basis for any rule the Public Utilities Commission may adopt in regard to the regulation of the telephone service or a basis for any legislation that Congress may see fit to enact.

The Merchants' Association of New York has instituted steps for a general inquiry into a revision of the telephone rates of the New York Telephone Co. The Association, it is stated, has received from its members from time to time complaints of certain of the rates charged by the telephone company for its service. Complaints have also been made in several instances to the Public Service Commission for the Second District, which has jurisdiction over telephone rates, with the result that hearings upon these complaints have been held by the Commission. In outlining the attitude of the Association in the matter, its President, W. A. Marble says:

The proceeding now in progress before the Public Service Commission for reduction of telephone rates is based upon the assumption that the revenues of the New York Telephone Co. are excessive, and that a sweeping reduction is, therefore, warranted. The prayer of the complainants is that in the case of all subscribers who are charged on a message basis in excess of five cents, the rate be reduced and that five cents be fixed as a maximum for all calls within all but a very small portion of the area of Greater New York. These proposed reductions would affect only that class of subscribers who make a relatively small use of the telephone, while no change is proposed in the rates paid by the much more important class of large consumers.

The proposition, therefore, is that the company should be deprived of any excess of profits, and that the benefit derived from such reduction of revenues in the form of lesser charges for the service shall not be distributed equitably among all classes of users, but shall be accumulated and applied solely for the benefit of small users who contribute only a minor portion of the revenues of the company and suffer only in a minor degree from any excessive charges.

The Merchants' Association contends that any benefits which may be derived from reduction in rates shall be shared pro rata for all classes of consumers and particularly that the large consumers, who pay from \$250 to \$15,000 or \$20,000 a year, are entitled to full consideration and proportionate relief. It further contends that any large scheme of rate adjustment which regards only the small users and appropriates to their benefit a large part of the present revenue of the company is in its essence discriminatory in that it disregards the rights of the most important body of consumers and grants to a lesser class rates that are unduly low.

The Association has, therefore, taken the initial steps in preparation for a much more comprehensive proceeding, which shall bring under review the entire system of rates of the New York Telephone Company in such a manner that, if it be demonstrated that the company is now receiving excessive revenue from the people of this city, a reduction of rates may be made along lines that shall duly regard the interests of the entire body of telephone users and not simply the interests of a minor class.

Acting upon the suggestion of the Commissioner himself, that a general investigation was necessary to the proper disposal of the telephone questions in this city, and that a valuation must be made, the Merchants' Association determined to initiate the proceedings which the Commissioner himself deemed essential. The United States Government, by a law of March 1913, had provided the machinery necessary for the valuation proposed, and upon inquiry the Association learned that the Inter-State Commerce Commission had already taken preliminary steps looking toward the organ-

ization of that work. It, therefore, decided to present the matter of the valuation in this city to the Inter-State Commerce Commission and endeavor to secure the expedition of that work in order that the comprehensive investigation proposed, looking toward an equitable adjustment of all the rates, might be had.

It further proposes, in the immediate future, to present to the Public Service Commission a petition for the desired comprehensive investigation in such form as fully to develop all the facts bearing upon the telephone situation, as a necessary step toward equitable readjustment of the rates. It will immediately ascertain whether the desired valuation can be, within a reasonable time, undertaken by the Inter-State Commerce Commission, and in the event that that Commission cannot act with reasonable speed, the Association purposes to present the facts to the Legislature and urge upon that body the appropriation of a sum sufficient to enable the Public Service Commission of this State to properly perform the functions imposed upon it by the Public Service Commissions Act.

Dealings in futures constitute gambling in the view of the Supreme Court of Wisconsin and under an opinion rendered by it on the 17th inst. are legally void. In thus deciding, the Court affirms the decision of the Milwaukee civil and circuit courts in the action of the Kassuba Commission Co. against Horace Blodgett. The company had sought to recover money which it claimed it had invested for Blodgett in the sale of wheat and corn on the Milwaukee Board of Trade. In answer to the suit, Blodgett argued that the transaction was a gambling operation and therefore void. The trial court found that the knowledge of the commission company of the unlawful intention of its principal, Blodgett, to gamble vitiated the entire transaction, and that, consequently, the company cannot recover. The amount involved is \$473.

James E. Foye, formerly employed as a clerk by the Farmers' Loan & Trust Co. of this city, and who is said to have obtained loans aggregating over \$200,000 on alleged forged securities, was arrested at the Pennsylvania Station in this city on the 25th inst. as he was returning from Philadelphia. The accused has been committed to the Tombs on the specific charge of having secured \$97,000 from Charles T. Brown of Philadelphia, using as collateral stock of the General Electric Co., for which the Farmers' Loan & Trust Co. is the official transfer agent. The following statement in the matter, issued on Wednesday on behalf of Mr. Brown by his attorney, Norman B. Beecher, of the firm of Burlingham, Montgomery & Beecher of this city, is taken from the New York "Times" of the 27th:

Charles T. Brown & Co., Stock Exchange Building, Philadelphia, Pa., under which name Charles T. Brown does business, is engaged in the security investment business. From time to time Mr. Brown has been accustomed to place loans secured by Stock Exchange collateral for customers in New York City and elsewhere. Among these customers was James E. Foye, a member of the New York Consolidated Stock Exchange. At various times during the last two months Foye has placed loans through Mr. Brown with various banks in Philadelphia. The collateral furnished by Foye as security for these loans has in each instance been certificates of stock of the General Electric Co. standing in Foye's name. These loans have aggregated some \$200,000. Yesterday Foye secured from Mr. Brown a certified check for \$97,000, representing the proceeds of loans which Mr. Brown had placed for Foye, secured by further General Electric Co. certificates of stock, and with the check in his pocket returned to New York.

In the meantime some of those who had taken part in the last loan took the precaution of telephoning to the Farmers' Loan & Trust Co. in New York City to assure themselves that Mr. Foye was registered on the books of the General Electric Co. as owner of the large amount of stock for which he had presented certificates. The Farmers' Loan & Trust Co. advised them that Mr. Foye was not a stockholder of the General Electric Co. Immediately upon receipt of this information, the police in New York were notified that Foye had left Philadelphia on the Pennsylvania RR. train leaving there at 4 p. m., and requesting the New York police to cause his arrest upon its arrival in New York City. Upon the arrival of the train at the Pennsylvania Station Mr. Foye was arrested.

Steps are being taken by Mr. Brown and the banking institutions in Philadelphia to recover as much as possible of the money which Foye had secured. Attachments have been issued, and every effort is being made to discover Foye's assets.

Chandler Bros. & Co. of this city, who were also said to have figured in the loan transactions, have given out the following:

The facts are that Foye, through C. T. Brown & Co. of Philadelphia, negotiated loans for \$200,000 on 2,000 shares of General Electric stock, of which 1,400 shares were placed with four Philadelphia institutions and 600 with our firm. While the loans were being placed on Tuesday our office, as an extraordinary precaution, inquired of the transfer office after the number of shares in Foye's name, but did not receive word until 4 p. m. that the stock was not on the transfer records. The arrest of Foye on his arrival in New York followed, checks and cash for \$150,000 being recovered and attached. It is believed that further recoveries will be made and the losses minimized. Our loss is fully protected under a \$100,000 Lloyd policy. It is stated that the General Electric Co. signatures to the stock certificates are valid, but that the transfer and registrar's certificates are forged.

Still another statement has come from Samuel Sloan, Vice-President of the Farmers' Loan & Trust Co., who said:

No securities have been stolen from the Farmers' Loan & Trust Co. Foye had no access to the securities of the company. Foye was a temporary clerk, engaged upon the best of references. We feel that it is due those who have loaned money that no further statement shall be made until all the facts are known.

Between \$160,000 and \$175,000 of the amount which Foye is said to have borrowed has been located, and is either in the hands of the police or attached. Foye was indicted by the



Philadelphia Grand Jury on the 26th. Two true bills were found, charging him with fraudulently making a written instrument and uttering and publishing the same, and also with obtaining money under false pretenses. The indictments allege that on Oct. 23 he obtained a loan of \$10,000 from the brokerage firm of Charles T. Brown & Co., giving as security a certificate of the General Electric Co. of Sept. 25 1913 for 100 shares of stock. The signatures of the stock transfer agent and registrar appearing on the certificate are alleged to be forgeries.

The Fallkill National Bank of Poughkeepsie, N. Y., announced the death on the 15th inst. of William W. Smith, for many years director and Vice-President of the bank.

Permission has been granted the Federal Trust Company of Boston, Mass., to establish a branch office in South Boston. The branch will probably open next spring. Joseph H. O'Neil is the well-known executive of this company.

The charter of the Mechanics' Trust Co. of Boston has been sold by the Federal Trust Co. to John R. McVey, Judge Edward L. Logan and John Lally, President of the United States Column Co. The Mechanics' Trust charter passed to the Federal Trust Co. with the consolidation of the two institutions in October 1909; it will be made use of by the new owners early in 1914, but a different name will be availed of for the company they propose to form, and application will accordingly be made shortly to the Bank Commissioner for permission to change the title named in the charter.

The Union Trust Co. has been organized in Hartford and is said to be controlled by the Travelers' Insurance Co. The new organization was chartered the present year and has a capital of \$100,000 and surplus of \$25,000. S. C. Dunham, President of the insurance company, has been made President of the trust company, and the other officers of the latter are Charles L. Spencer, Vice-President; Martin Welles, Secretary and Treasurer, and Robert C. Dickenson, Trust Officer.

On Nov. 20 W. C. Fitzgerald, Treasurer of the Rittenhouse Trust Company of Philadelphia, Pa., was elected Second Vice-President, to succeed Frank B. Off, resigned. Mr. Fitzgerald will still continue as Treasurer, and Mr. Off will remain a director. The semi-annual dividend of 2% has been declared payable Dec. 10.

At a recent meeting of the directors of the Excelsior Trust & Savings Fund Company of Philadelphia, Pa., Edwin Wilkinson Sr., formerly Vice-President, was elected President, to succeed A. C. Patterson, resigned. F. W. Price, Secretary and Treasurer, was elected Vice-President to fill the vacancy caused by the promotion of Mr. Wilkinson.

Thomas L. Lawson, the oldest member of the Philadelphia Stock Exchange in point of years, died on the 21st inst. at the age of 96. Mr. Lawson was head of the brokerage firm of Thomas L. Lawson & Sons, and had been a member of the Exchange since 1864. His sons, Harry C. and Wilford L. Lawson, were associated with him in business. Mr. Lawson had formerly been identified with traction enterprises, and with his brother had built the Lombard and South Street system and the Callowhill Street line.

A run on the United States Trust Co. of Washington, D. C., was brought to an end on the 22d inst. after announcement had been made that the Munsey Trust Co. of Washington had arranged to take over the institution. Coupled with this information, it was stated that, to guard against the continuance of the run, \$1,000,000 had been advanced by the Treasury Department through the Washington Clearing-House banks for distribution among the six offices of the United States Trust Co., five branches having been operated by it. To satisfy all those desiring to withdraw, the quarters of the United States Trust Co. were kept open until nine o'clock last Saturday night, despite the fact the usual closing hour on that day is noon. A statement in explanation of the situation was given out by Mr. Munsey as follows on the 21st:

"I arrived in Washington at 4:30 o'clock this afternoon after having received reports from my representatives who have been at work night and day for the past three days trying to be of service to the depositors of the United States Trust Co. and the Washington financial and banking world. "At ten o'clock to-night we came to a final, definite understanding, ratified both by the Boards of the Munsey Trust Co. of Washington and the United States Trust Co., by which the Munsey Trust Co. takes over bodily and entirely the United States Trust Co. In other words, the United States Trust Co. now becomes merely a part of the Munsey Trust Co.

"The whole transaction is clean and clear-cut, and depositors of the United States Trust Co. now have, in addition to all of the assets of the United States Trust Co., the assets of the Munsey Trust Co. and the \$4,000,000 capital stock liability which the Munsey Trust Co.'s \$2,000,000 of capital affords.

"This sets at rest once and for all any question as to the safety of the money deposited with the United States Trust Co., these deposits now becoming automatically deposits in the Munsey Trust Co., with all the resources of the Munsey Trust Co. behind them.

Lawrence O. Murray became President of the United States Trust Co. last April, when his term of office as Comptroller of the Currency expired. As head of the institution, he succeeded Eldridge E. Jordan, who was made Chairman of the Board. The company had individual deposits on Oct. 21 of \$5,387,649; its paid-in capital was \$1,250,000. The Munsey Trust Co. has been in operation only a little over six months; it was organized by Frank A. Munsey and opened for business on May 15 last. It has a capital paid in of \$2,000,000, individual deposits (Oct. 21) of \$1,320,511, while its total resources are \$3,646,757. Mr. Munsey is also Chairman of the Board of the Munsey Trust Co. of Baltimore, which started business last January.

At a recent meeting of the stockholders of the First National Bank of Wellington, Ohio, it was unanimously decided that the bank be changed from a national to a State institution and also that the name be changed to the First Wellington Bank. This change is to become effective Dec. 31.

As a fitting memento of the golden anniversary of the First National Bank of Detroit, the events going to make up the institution's history have been brought together in a booklet of attractive design, profusely illustrated with views of its present and former quarters. Organized in 1863, the bank's existence covers more than half the period of banking in Michigan. In making this assertion the writer of the booklet, while reciting the bank's history, concedes that there was organized in 1807 the First Bank of Detroit, but adds that when Congress refused to approve its charter, the bank passed out of existence, having never received deposits or made loans. For the next few years, it is stated, Michigan got along without a bank, and it was not until the organization of the State in 1837 that banking in the true sense of the term began in Michigan. It is furthermore set out that, as one of the three banks merged with the First National was organized in 1837, the bank may thus, in a sense, be said to date from the beginning of Michigan banking. In the case of the First National, the articles of association were signed on June 26 1863; the national charter was dated Aug. 31, the first meeting of stockholders was held Sept. 2, and the bank opened for business Oct. 5 1913. The original capital was \$100,000. In December 1864, when the national banking system had become perfected, and State banks were rapidly changing to national banks, the State Bank of Michigan acquired \$64,000 of the stock of the First National and a reorganization was effected. In 1865 the First National joined with other Detroit banks in forcing out of circulation the note issues of State banks, thus anticipating the action of the Government. In 1869 the capital was increased to \$200,000; the bank paid dividends of 10%, and accumulated a surplus of \$70,000, of which \$50,000 went into the new capital and \$20,000 into the surplus fund.

The success attending the increase in capital was so marked as to induce a merger of the old and wealthy National Insurance Bank with the First National. As a result of this union the First National increased its capital to \$500,000 and bought the banking house of the Insurance Bank. In 1908 the Commercial National Bank was consolidated with the First National. It is also incidentally noted that several of the First National directors were instrumental in organizing the Security Trust Co. and are identified with its directorate. Others are directors in the Michigan Savings Bank, and still others in the Wayne County and Home Savings Bank, the First National being thus brought into intimate relationship with these other banking interests. A statement depicting the growth of the First National, submitted in the booklet, shows the deposits in 1913 (Aug. 9) of \$24,960,000, against \$18,990,000 in 1910, \$6,370,700 in 1905 and \$4,837,500 in 1900. The present capital is \$2,000,000. Emory W. Clark, President of the institution, succeeded to that position in 1911. Mr. Clark's grandfather, Ex-Governor Myron H. Clark of New York, was one of the owners of the State Bank of Michigan; his father, Lorenzo E. Clark, was President of the State Bank and director, Vice-President and Cashier of the First National from its beginning until his retirement from business in 1893. The present head of the bank was engaged in manufacturing in Detroit when in 1904 he accepted the position of Vice-Presi-



dent of the First National, and became actively identified with its business.

Harold T. Sibley, for five years in charge of the bond department of the Chicago Savings Bank & Trust Co., is now associated with the Chicago office of Harris, Winthrop & Co. The latter are organizing a bond department and expect to make it a prominent feature of their business.

William T. Bacon has been appointed manager of the bond department of the Chicago Savings Bank & Trust Co. of Chicago, to succeed Harold T. Sibley, resigned.

The Joplin Trust Co. of Joplin, Mo., closed its doors on the 20th inst. The action, it is stated, was due to "the continued withdrawal of deposits." The institution was organized in 1909 and had a capital of \$50,000.

The International Bank of St. Louis plans to increase its capital from \$200,000 to \$500,000; the method by which this will be accomplished is set out as follows by the St. Louis "Globe-Democrat":

The bank will sell to its stockholders 1,000 shares at \$200 a share. The money received will be added to the present capital, making a total of \$400,000. To complete the proposed capital of \$500,000, the directors will borrow \$100,000 from the reserve, which is about \$400,000. The reserve then—\$300,000—added to the capital will make \$800,000. With 5,000 shares, each share then will have a book value of \$160. For each share the holder will be given a share free and will be expected to buy half a share for \$100. He then may sell a share for \$375. When his outgo for a share and a half more will be \$100, his two and one-half shares will represent \$475, or \$190 a share. This probably would represent the new market value. The sums diverted to the reserve then would, in large part, be directed to the pocket of the stockholders.

At the election last month of the officers and directors of the Manchester Bank of St. Louis, Alfred J. Seigel, President of the Huttig Sash & Door Co., was chosen Vice-President to succeed A. M. Beckers, who resigned both as director and Vice-President. John M. Schwaig, President of the Standard Clothing & Tailoring Co., was also elected a director. Gustav Bischoff, President of the St. Louis Independent Packing Co., was re-elected President, and August E. Brooker, Secretary and Cashier.

A charter has been issued for the Laclede Trust Co. of St. Louis, Mo. The capital is to be \$100,000. The company is to have offices at Jefferson Avenue and Market Street.

It is announced that an interest in the Nebraska National Bank of Omaha has been secured by F. W. Clarke, Vice-President of the Stock Yards National Bank of South Omaha, and Charles F. Coffey, President of the First National Bank of Chadron. Henry W. Yates is President of the Nebraska National. It is understood that he will remain in that post.

Byron W. Moser, who has been in the employ of the St. Louis Union Trust Co. of St. Louis since 1903, has been made Assistant Secretary of the institution. Mr. Moser was President of the American Institute of Banking last year and had previously been President of the St. Louis chapter.

Col. Joseph L. Hutton has been appointed State Superintendent of Banks under the new Tennessee banking law creating the office; he will assume the post on Jan. 1, on which date the law goes into effect. Mr. Hutton was one of three candidates whose names were submitted to the Governor by the Tennessee Bankers' Association for the office. C. N. Fisher of Morristown, Tenn., was originally chosen for the post by Gov. Hooper last April, but he declined to serve, for business reasons. Col. Hutton is President of the Phoenix National Bank of Columbia, Tenn., and is a large stockholder in the Hamilton National Bank of Chattanooga. He has served as President of the Tennessee Bankers' Association and is at present a member of the executive council of the American Bankers' Association.

The depositors of the defunct Commercial Bank & Trust Company of Louisville, Ky., received a dividend of 16 2-3% on Nov. 22. This payment makes the third they have received since the bank's failure in January, the first, which was paid in February, being 33 1-3% and the second, paid in June, 25%, thus making an aggregate of 75%. It is understood that the promoters of the proposed United Bank & Trust Co., which was projected following the close of the Commercial Bank & Trust Co., have decided to defer its organization for a time.

A condensed statement of the twenty active banking institutions doing business in Richmond, Va., compiled by W. P. Shelton, Assistant Cashier of the First National Bank,

shows the aggregate banking assets of that city to be \$74,162,609 as of Oct. 21—the last bank call. The total capital is \$10,003,049, surplus and profits \$7,939,341, circulation \$3,804,902, bond account \$1,915,000, and deposits, \$49,002,594; while loans and investments are \$57,822,862, cash and clearing-house exchanges \$3,741,981, and total due from banks \$12,016,664. A comparison of Oct. 21 1913 with the nearest corresponding bank call of three years ago—as of Nov. 10 1910—reveals the true measure of growth of Richmond's banking business. In every item large gains are recorded, viz.: Capital, which was \$6,390,250 Nov. 10 1910, increased \$3,612,799 by Oct. 21 1913 to \$10,003,049; surplus and profits, \$6,349,839, increased \$2,216,231 to \$8,566,069 in the same period; deposits, \$39,020,756, advanced \$9,981,837 to \$49,002,593, and aggregate resources, \$55,206,228, indicates a growth of \$18,956,381 during the three years to \$74,162,609. The banks having \$5,000,000 deposits or over are: American National \$5,536,438; National State & City, \$5,756,715; Planters' National, \$7,175,256; Merchants' National, \$7,359,826, and the First National, \$13,245,031. The banks having over \$300,000 deposits included: Bank of Commerce & Trust, \$1,048,102; Richmond Savings, \$1,310,295; Union, \$1,309,837; Broad Street, \$1,419,752; Virginia Trust, \$1,162,570; Mechanics' & Merchants' \$660,245; Central National, \$608,531; Old Dominion Trust, \$567,626; Church Hill, \$393,290; Richmond Bank & Trust, \$389,696; and the Richmond Trust & Savings, \$321,963.

The business of the Exchange Bank of New Orleans has been consolidated with that of the City Bank & Trust Co., the proceedings having been consummated following their ratification by the respective stockholders on the 22d inst. Rumors of this merger were current several months ago, when it was divulged that John Legier Jr., President of the Exchange Bank, had succeeded in acquiring control of the City Bank & Trust Co. after repeated purchases of its stock. It is stated that the details of the purchase have been arranged with a view to giving to the minority stockholders who did not sell during the recent rise in the value of the stock all the benefits realized by the majority holders. In consolidating the business of the Exchange Bank with that of the City Bank & Trust Co., Mr. Legier becomes President of the latter. F. P. Breckenridge, who had previously been President, has been made Chairman of the board and active Vice-President. Julius Meyer and George M. Leahy remain as vice-presidents of the City Bank & Trust; C. S. Bauman, who was Cashier of the Exchange Bank, is Cashier of the continuing institution, of which Alfred Lippman is Assistant Cashier. The capital of the City Bank & Trust Co. is unchanged at \$150,000. The institution as enlarged shows deposits Nov. 22 of \$1,410,298 and total resources of \$1,675,348. The Exchange Bank, which is to be liquidated, had a capital of \$100,000 and deposits of about \$500,000. It was formed in 1912 by interests in the Cosmopolitan Bank & Trust Co. (organized in 1906), the new organization having purchased the entire assets of the Cosmopolitan and assumed all its deposits.

Charles Morgan Whitney, Vice-President of the Whitney-Central National Bank of New Orleans, died on the 15th inst. in New York City, where he journeyed to attend the General Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church. Mr. Whitney was born in New York fifty-eight years ago, but went to New Orleans with his parents at an early age. He was a son of Charles A. Whitney and a grandson of Charles Morgan, who established Morgan's Louisiana & Texas R.R. & S.S. Co. Charles M. Whitney was Treasurer of that company when it was taken over by the Southern Pacific Co. He had also been President of the Whitney Iron Works Co. and Vice-President of the Whitney & Sloo Co. and the Whitney Supply Co. Owing to ill-health, he had recently retired from active business.

Copies of the California Bank Act, as amended the present year, are being distributed by the California Bankers' Association, through its Secretary, Frederick H. Colburn. The volume is termed by Secretary Colburn as a "working copy," the book being designed to meet the requirements of the banker who has occasion to frequently refer to the provisions of the Act. In addition to a cross index so arranged that any particular subject sought can be readily located, there is also furnished a very extensive marginal guide, embracing about 500 references to the 123 sections of the adjoining text. The compilation of these indexes, which



add so materially to the value of the volume, is said to have been the work of Mr. Colburn. The Association plans to issue in the near future another copy of the Bank Act, bound in cloth, along with the annual report of the organization.

FALL RIVER MILL DIVIDENDS IN 1913.

Thirty-two cotton-manufacturing corporations located in Fall River which furnish reports of operations have declared dividends during the fourth quarter of the year. The total amount paid out is much greater than for the corresponding period of 1912, but as will be noted this is largely due to the including of special distributions by three mills. The aggregate of the amount distributed has been \$1,028,675, or an average of 3.50% on the capital. Five mills passed their dividends. In 1912 the amount paid by twenty-nine mills was \$303,375, or an average of 1.09%. The distribution of dividends for the fourth quarter of earlier years was 1.07% in 1911, 1.63% in 1910, 1.82% in 1909, 1.43% in 1908, 3.71% in 1907, 1.77% in 1906, 1.09% in 1905, 0.50% in 1904, 1.39% in 1903, 1.49% in 1902 and 1.24% in 1901. The details for the fourth quarter are as follows:

Fourth Quarter, 1913 and 1912.	Capital.	Dividends 1913.		Dividends 1912.		Inc. (+) or Dec. (-).
		%	Amount.	%	Amount.	
American Linen Co.	800,000	1	8,000	No	dividend	+8,000
Ancona Mills	300,000	*1 1/2	1,500	*1 1/2	1,500	
Arkwright Mills	450,000	No	dividend	No	dividend	
Barnard Mfg. Co.	495,000	No	dividend	No	dividend	
Barnaby Mfg. Co.	350,000	No	dividend	No	dividend	
Border City Mfg. Co.	1,000,000	1	10,000	1	10,000	
Bourne Mills	1,000,000	1 1/2	15,000	1 1/2	15,000	
Chace Mills	1,200,000	1 1/2	18,000	1	12,000	+6,000
Conanicut Mills	251,670	1 1/2	3,775	1 1/2	3,775	
Cornell Mills	400,000	2	8,000	2	8,000	
Davis Mills	1,250,000	1 1/2	18,750	1 1/2	18,750	
Davol Mills	500,000	1 1/2	7,500	1 1/2	7,500	
Flint Mills	1,160,000	1 1/2	17,400	1	11,600	+5,800
Granite Mills	1,000,000	1	10,000	No	dividend	+10,000
Hargraves Mills	800,000	No	dividend	No	dividend	
King Philip Mills	1,500,000	1 1/2	22,500	1 1/2	22,500	
Laurel Lake Mills	600,000	1 1/2	9,000	1 1/2	9,000	
Lincoln Mfg. Co.	1,250,000	No	dividend	1 1/2	10,500	-10,500
Luther Mfg. Co.	350,000	a20	70,000	1 1/2	5,250	+64,750
Mechanics' Mills	750,000	1	7,500	1	7,500	
Merchants' Mfg. Co.	1,200,000	1	12,000	1	12,000	
Narragansett Mills	400,000	1	4,000	1	4,000	
Osborn Mills	750,000	1 1/2	11,250	1 1/2	11,250	
Parker Mills	700,000	No	dividend	No	dividend	
Pilgrim Mills	1,050,000	b1 1/2	5,250	No	dividend	+5,250
Pocasset Mfg. Co.	1,200,000	1 1/2	18,000	1	12,000	+6,000
Richard Borden Mfg. Co.	1,000,000	1 1/2	15,000	1 1/2	15,000	
Sagamore Mfg. Co.	1,200,000	c4 1/2	54,000	2	24,000	+30,000
Seaconnet Mills	600,000	1	6,000	1	6,000	
Shove Mills	550,000	1	5,500	1	5,500	
Stafford Mills	1,000,000	1	10,000	1	10,000	
Stevens Mfg. Co.	700,000	1 1/2	10,500	1 1/2	10,500	
Tecumseh Mills	750,000	1 1/2	11,250	1 1/2	11,250	
Troy Cot. & W. Mfg. Co.	300,000	2	6,000	2	6,000	
Union Cotton Mfg. Co.	1,200,000	d5 1/2	618,000	1 1/2	18,000	+600,000
Wampanoag Mills	750,000	1	7,500	1	7,500	
Weetamoe Mills	500,000	1 1/2	7,500	1 1/2	7,500	
<b>Total</b>	<b>29,356,670</b>	<b>c3.50</b>	<b>1,028,675</b>	<b>1.09</b>	<b>303,375</b>	<b>+725,300</b>

\* On \$100,000 preferred stock. a 1% regular and 18 1/2% extra. b On \$350,000 preferred stock. c 2% regular and 2 1/2% extra. d 1 1/2% regular and 50% extra. e Excluding extra dividends the amount paid out was \$333,925 and the rate 1.14%.

Combining the foregoing results with those for the first nine months, we have the following exhibit for the year. It will be observed that on a capitalization of \$29,356,570 the mills have paid out in dividends \$2,075,450 in the present year, or an average of 7.07%, against \$1,129,625, or 4.07%, in the like period of 1912.

Years 1913 and 1912.	Capital.	1913 Dividends		1912 Dividends		Inc. (+) or Dec. (-).
		%	Amount.	%	Amount.	
American Linen Co.	800,000	3	24,000	1	8,000	+16,000
Ancona Mills	300,000	*6	6,000	*6	6,000	
Arkwright Mills	450,000	No	dividend	No	dividend	
Barnard Mfg. Co.	495,000	No	dividend	No	dividend	
Barnaby Mfg. Co.	350,000	No	dividend	No	dividend	
Border City Mfg. Co.	1,000,000	4	40,000	4	40,000	
Bourne Mills	1,000,000	6	60,000	6	60,000	
Chace Mills	1,200,000	6	72,000	4	48,000	+24,000
Conanicut Mills	251,670	6	15,100	4 1/2	11,325	+3,775
Cornell Mills	400,000	8	32,000	8	32,000	
Davis Mills	1,250,000	6	75,000	6	75,000	
Davol Mills	500,000	6	30,000	6	30,000	
Flint Mills	1,160,000	6	69,600	3	34,800	+34,800
Granite Mills	1,000,000	4 1/2	45,000	3	30,000	+15,000
Hargraves Mills	800,000	No	dividend	No	dividend	
King Philip Mills	1,500,000	6	90,000	6	90,000	
Laurel Lake Mills	600,000	6	36,000	5	30,000	+6,000
Lincoln Mfg. Co.	1,250,000	a1 1/2	48,000	6	42,000	+6,000
Luther Mfg. Co.	350,000	24 1/2	85,750	6	21,000	+64,750
Mechanics' Mills	750,000	4	30,000	4	30,000	
Merchants' Mfg. Co.	1,200,000	4	48,000	3	36,000	+12,000
Narragansett Mills	400,000	4	16,000	4	16,000	
Osborn Mills	750,000	6	45,000	6	45,000	
Parker Mills	800,000	No	dividend	No	dividend	
Pilgrim Mills	1,050,000	b6	21,000	No	dividend	+21,000
Pocasset Mfg. Co.	1,200,000	6	72,000	3	36,000	+36,000
Richard Borden Mfg. Co.	1,000,000	6	60,000	6	60,000	
Sagamore Mfg. Co.	1,200,000	10 1/2	126,000	6 1/2	78,000	+48,000
Seaconnet Mills	600,000	4	24,000	1	6,000	+18,000
Shove Mills	550,000	4	22,000	3	16,500	+5,500
Stafford Mills	1,000,000	4	40,000	2	20,000	+20,000
Stevens Mfg. Co.	700,000	6	42,000	6	42,000	
Tecumseh Mills	750,000	6	45,000	6	45,000	
Troy Cot. & W. Mfg. Co.	300,000	8	24,000	8	24,000	
Union Cotton Mfg. Co.	1,200,000	56	672,000	6	72,000	+600,000
Wampanoag Mills	750,000	4	30,000	3	22,500	+7,500
Weetamoe Mills	500,000	6	30,000	4 1/2	22,500	+7,500
<b>Total</b>	<b>29,356,670</b>	<b>c7.07</b>	<b>2,075,450</b>	<b>4.07</b>	<b>1,129,625</b>	<b>+945,825</b>

\* On \$100,000 preferred stock. a 1 1/2% on \$700,000 and 3% on \$1,250,000. b On \$350,000 preferred stock. c Eliminating extra dividends declared in the last quarter the rate was 4.70%.

The foregoing indicates that, of the thirty-seven mills, five have made no distribution, fourteen have made no

change in the amounts, and eighteen have paid out more than a year ago. To furnish a more comprehensive comparison, we append the dividend record back to 1888.

Years—	Number.	Companies		P. C.
		Capital.	Amount.	
1913	37	\$29,356,670	\$2,075,450	7.07
1912	36	27,756,670	1,129,625	4.07
1911	36	27,756,670	1,392,184	5.01
1910	35	27,105,000	1,827,050	6.74
1909	35	26,725,000	1,976,000	7.40
1908	34	25,125,000	1,733,067	6.90
1907	33	24,275,000	2,691,625	11.09
1906	32	21,825,000	1,491,100	6.83
1905	32	20,625,000	688,550	3.34
1904	32	21,505,000	764,950	3.56
1903	32	21,505,000	1,217,275	5.66
1902	35	21,411,000	1,368,400	6.47
1901	35	21,061,000	1,164,095	5.53
1900	35	20,958,500	1,855,450	8.85
1899	34	20,058,500	1,201,327	5.99
1898	34	19,408,000	467,700	2.41
1897	37	22,793,000	772,700	3.39
1896	37	22,628,000	1,385,675	6.12
1895	36	21,828,000	1,722,925	8.12
1894	35	21,478,000	1,128,000	5.25
1893	35	21,278,000	1,706,310	8.02
1892	34	19,858,000	1,492,260	7.52
1891	33	18,558,000	914,850	4.93
1890	33	18,658,000	1,420,870	7.62
1889	33	18,558,000	1,850,700	9.97
1888	33	17,608,000	1,696,040	9.63

As showing the relation this year's dividends in the case of individual mills bear to those for a series of years, we have prepared the following, which embraces seventeen of the leading corporations.

Company	Years																
	1913	1912	1911	1910	1909	1908	1907	1906	1905	1904	1903	1902	1901	1900	1899	1898	1897
Amer. Linen Co.	3	1	2 1/2	6	6	6	11	6	3	5 1/2	7 1/2	5.42					
Border City Mfg. Co.	4	4	5	6	6	5 1/2	23 1/2	9 1/2	3 1/2	3 1/2	6	7.25					
Chace Mills	6	4	6 1/2	8	8	8	6 1/2	6	4 1/2	3	6	6.05					
Granite Mills	4 1/2	3	6 1/2	8	8	8	10	8 1/2	4 1/2	6	8	7.05					
King Philip Mills	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6.00					
Laurel Lake Mills	6	5	6	8	8	13	11	11	5 1/2	5 1/2	7 1/2	8.05					
Mechanics' Mills	4	4	4 1/2	6	6	6	7	4	1	3	4	4.60					
Merchants' Mfg. Co.	4	3	2 1/2	6	6	6	6	4	2	2	4	4.17					
Narragansett Mills	4	4	6 1/2	8	8	8	11 1/2	8	5	4	6	6.90					
Osborn Mills	6	6	6	6	6	6	5 1/2	4	2	3	4	4.85					
R. Borden Mfg. Co.	6	6	7	10	8	13	20	6 1/2	5 1/2	5 1/2	6	8.75					
Sagamore Mfg. Co.	10 1/2	6 1/2	7	8	8	12	30	26	4 1/2	4	4 1/2	10.45					
Stafford Mills	4	2	1 1/2	6	6	6	5 1/2	4	1	1	4	8.60					
Tecumseh Mills	6	6	6	6	6	9 1/2	14 1/2	6	5 1/2	6	7	7.15					
Troy Cot. & W. M. Co.	8	8	9 1/2	12	13	21	67	20	8 1/2	10	16	18.50					
Un. Cot. Mfg. Co.	56	6	6	6	6	35 1/2	18 1/2	6	4 1/2	6	6	12.40					
Wampanoag Mills	4	3	1 1/2	6	5	4	4	2	2	3	3	3.05					

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English Financial Markets—Per Cable. The daily closing quotations for securities, &c., at London, as reported by cable, have been as follows the past week:

London, Week ending Nov. 28.	Sat.	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thurs.	Fri.
Silver, per oz.	26 1/4	26 1/4	27 1-16	27	---	26 3/4
d Consois, 2 1/2 per cents.	72 13-16	72 3/4	73 1-16	73 3/4	---	73



Table with columns: Clearings at, 1913, 1912, Inc. or Dec., 1911, 1910. Rows include Canada, Montreal, Toronto, Winnipeg, Vancouver, Ottawa, Quebec, Halifax, Calgary, Hamilton, St. John, Victoria, London, Edmonton, Regina, Brandon, Lethbridge, Saskatoon, Moose Jaw, Brantford, Fort William, New Westminster, Medicine Hat, and Total Canada.

DIVIDENDS.

The following shows all the dividends announced for the future by large or important corporations. Dividends announced this week are printed in italics.

Table with columns: Name of Company, Per Cent., When Payable, Books Closed, Days Inclusive. Rows include Railroads (Steam), American Railways, Baton Rouge El. Co., Brooklyn Rapid Transit, California Ry. & Power, Cent. Arkansas Ry., Chicago El. Ry., Chippeva Val. Ry., Columbus (O) Ry., Detroit United Ry., Federal Light & Trac., Louisville Traction, Massachusetts Electric Cos., Norfolk Ry. & Light, Northern Ohio Trac. & Lt., North Texas El. Co., Pensacola Elec. Co., Portland Ry., Rochester Ry., Second & Third St. Pw., Tennessee Ry., Washington (D.C.) Ry., West Penn Tr. & W.P., Trust Companies, Adams Express, American Chicle, American Cotton Oil, American Gas, Amer. Power & Lt., American Radiator, Am. Smelt. & Refg., American Steel Foundries, Amer. Sugar Refg., American Telegraph & Cable, American Tobacco, Associated Merchants, Atlas Powder, Baldwin Locomotive Works, Blackstone Val. Gas, Booth Fisheries, Borden's Cond. Milk, Brooklyn Union Gas, Buckeye Pipe, Butterick Company, Calumet & Hecla Mining, Canadian Car & Foundry, Central Leather, Chesapeake Mfg. Cons'd, Chicago Telephone, Chitds Company, Cities Service.

Table with columns: Name of Company, Per Cent., When Payable, Books Closed, Days Inclusive. Rows include Miscellaneous (Concluded), City & Suburban Homes, Cleve. & Sandusky Brewing, Colorado Power, Columbus Gas & Fuel, Connecticut Power, Consolidated Gas, Cons'd Gas, Continental Oil, Crescent Pipe Line, Crex Carpet, Cuban-Amer. Sugar, Cumberland Paper Line, Deere & Co., Diamond Match, Dominion Textile, Eastern Power & Lt. Corp., Eastern Steel, Eastman Kodak, Electric Properties, Equitable Lbrs. & Mfg., Federal Mining & Smelting, Galena-Signal Oil, General Asphalt, General Chemical, General Electric, General Gas & Electric, Granby Cons. Min., Greene Cananea Copper Co., Harbison-Walker Refract., Independent Brew'g of Pittsb., Inland Steel, Internat. Harv. Co., Internat. Harv. Corp., Internat. Nickel, Internat. Smelt. & Refg., Ketchikan El. & Pw., La Belle Iron Works, Lackawanna Steel, Laclede Gas Light, Lake of the Woods Milling, Lehigh Coal & Navigation, Lehigh Valley Coal Sales, Liggett & Myers Tobacco, Louisville Gas & El., Mackay Companies, Massachusetts Gas Cos., May Department Stores, Middle West Utilities, Montreal Cottons, National Biscuit, National Lead, National Lead, National Lead, National Sugar, National Transit, Nevada Consolidated Copper Co., New York Air Brake, N. Y. & Queens El. & P., North American Co., Ogilvie Flour Mills, Ontario Power, Pabst Brewing, Pennsylvania Lighting, Philadelphia Elec., Pittsburgh Bwng, Pittsburgh Steel, Porto Rican-Amer. Tobacco, Pure Oil, Quaker Oats, Railway Steel-Spring, Ray Consolidated Copper Co., Realty Associates, Republic Iron & Steel, Solar Refining, Southern Pipe Line, South Penn Oil, South Porto Rico Sugar, Southwestern Utilities Corporation, Standard Oil, Standard Oil of Indiana, Standard Oil of Kansas, Standard Oil of Nebraska, Standard Oil of N. J., Standard Oil of Ohio, Stern Bros., Studebaker Corporation, Swift & Co., Underwood Typewriter, Union Stock Yards of Omaha, United Cigar Mfrs., United Cigar Stores, United Dry Goods Cos., U. S. Gypsum, U. S. Steel Corporation, Utah Copper Co., Utilities Improvement, Waltham Watch, Washington Oil, White (J.G.) Engineering Corp., White (J.G.) Management Corp., Woolworth (F.W.) Co., Woolworth (F.W.).

a Transfer books not closed for this dividend. b Less income tax. c Correction. e At rate of 7% per annum for period Apr. 15 to Nov. 30 1913. f Payable in stock, payable in scrip.



**Auction Sales.**—Among other securities, the following, not usually dealt in at the Stock Exchange, were recently sold at auction in New York, Boston and Philadelphia:

By Messrs. Adrian H. Muller & Sons, New York:

Shares.	Per cent.	Shares.	Per cent.
50 Winchester Tr. Co., Yonkers.140		60 Somerset Invest. Co., pref. 10	
35 Internat. & Great Northern Corp. and \$20 scrip. 5		5 N. Y. Mutual Gas Light Co. 146	
8 Standard Cordage Co. 4		10 Bank of Metropolis. 300	
4 980-8734 Guardian Fire Insurance Co., Pa., \$50 each. \$85		12 National City Bank. 340	
97 Donoho Oil Co., \$10 each. lot		8 United States Trust Co. 1050	
21 Holland Building Ass'n. 58		200 Union Ferry Co. 25%	
58 Holland Tr. Co., 40% paid. \$5,800		100 N. Y. & East Riv. Ferry Co. 13%	
Holland Tr. Co. surplus fund receipts. 50		12 Nassau Trust Co. 130	
50 N. Y. Real Estate Ass'n. 50		5 Brooklyn Trust Co. 475%	
		10 Nat. Bank of Far Rockaway. 160	
		10 First Nat. Bank, Jamaica. 90	
		10 Flushing Stor. Warehouse Co. 95%	

By Messrs. Francis Henshaw & Co., Boston:

Shares.	\$ per sh.	Shares.	\$ per sh.
11 Merchants' Nat. Bank, Newburyport, \$20 each. 38		5 American Manufacturing Co. 135 1/2	
10 Ocean Nat. Bank, Newburyport, \$50 each. 70 1/4		18 Hood Rubber Co., preferred. 109 3/4	
		6 Norwich & Worcester RR., pref. 172	

By Messrs. R. L. Day & Co., Boston:

Shares.	\$ per sh.	Shares.	\$ per sh.
10 Contoocook Mills, common. 5		2 State Street Exchange. 76	
5 Mass. Cotton Mills. 110 1/2		12 Fall River Elec. Lt. Co. rights. 6%	
1 Winnismmet RR., \$50 par. 66 1/2			
137 New Bedford Gas & Ed. Lt. Co. rights. 19 1/4-19 1/2			
15 Hood Rubber Co., pref. 109 1/2-109 3/4			
2 P. O. Square Bldg. Trust. 81 & Int. 68, 1918. \$1,000 lot			

By Messrs. Barnes & Lofland, Philadelphia:

Shares.	\$ per sh.	Shares.	\$ per sh.
10 Rittenhouse Tr. Co., \$50 ea. 56		6 Fire Assn. of Phila., \$50 ea. 325	
5,000 German G. & Uranium Co. \$1 each. 20.		11 People's Nat. Fire Ins. Co., \$25 each. 16 1/2	
10 Land Title & Trust Co. 605 1/2		20 2d & 3d Streets Pass. Ry. 242 1/2	
20 Octavia Hills Association. 5		5 Frank. & So'wark Pass. Ry. 358	
1 West End Trust Co. 200-200 1/2		5 Chestnut & Walnut Sts. Pass. Ry. 151 1/2	
10 Corn Exch. Nat. Bk. 281 1/2-282		7 Amer. Pipe & Construc. Co. 49 1/2	
7 Farm. & Mech. Nat. Bk. 136-136 1/2		3 Phila. Bourse, pref., \$25 ea. 13	
22 Girard Nat. Bank. 380		4 Phila. Bourse, com., \$50 ea. 3 1/2	
9 Mechan. Nat. Bank, Trenton, \$50 each. 232		10 Keen-E-Phone Co., \$10 each. 2 1/2	
5 Nat. Bank of Germantown, \$50 each. 141			
45 Excelsior Trust & S. F. Co., \$50 each. 50			
10 Franklin Trust Co., \$50 each 54			
7 Hamilton Trust Co., \$50 ea. 48			
1 Real Est. Trust Co., pref. 87			
50 Pa. Warehouse & S. D. Co., \$50 each. 85			
100 Phila. Warehouse Co. 130			
10 Phila. Co. for Guar. Mages. 170			

By Messrs. Samuel T. Freeman & Co., Philadelphia:

Shares.	\$ per sh.	Bonds.	Per cent.
1 Logan Trust Co. 126		\$1,000 Consol. Trac. N. J. 1st 5s. 100%	
		\$1,000 Sham. Sumb. & Lewis. 2d 6s. 116 1/2	

**Statement of New York City Clearing-House Banks and Trust Companies.**—The detailed statement below shows the condition of the New York City Clearing-House members for the week ending Nov. 22. The figures for the separate banks are the averages of the daily results. In the case of the totals, actual figures at the end of the week are also given:

For definitions and rules under which the various items are made up, see "Chronicle," V. 85, p. 836, in the case of the banks, and V. 92, p. 1607, in the case of the trust companies.

DETAILED RETURNS OF BANKS.

We omit two ciphers (00) in all cases.

Banks. Oos omitted.	Capital.	Surplus.	Loans. Average.	Specie. Average.	Legals. Average.	Net Deposits, Aver.	Reserve.
New York	\$ 2,000,000	\$ 4,338,1	\$ 20,158,0	\$ 3,611,0	\$ 866,0	\$ 17,489,0	25.6
Manhattan Co	2,050,000	4,993,4	28,750,0	7,029,0	1,536,0	31,900,0	26.8
Merchants'	2,000,000	2,234,0	18,062,0	3,560,0	736,0	17,050,0	25.1
Mech. & Met.	6,000,000	9,006,8	52,495,0	10,251,0	2,670,0	48,625,0	26.5
America	1,500,000	6,300,9	22,830,0	3,735,0	1,558,0	21,107,0	25.0
City	25,000,000	32,723,1	182,204,0	41,802,0	5,510,0	173,294,0	27.3
Chemical	3,000,000	7,802,4	29,336,0	4,821,0	1,771,0	25,742,0	25.6
Merch. Exch.	600,000	544,2	6,799,0	1,527,0	254,0	6,890,0	26.0
Butch. & Drov	300,000	121,9	1,984,0	504,0	77,0	2,124,0	27.3
Greenwich	500,000	1,080,9	5,964,0	2,338,0	180,0	10,074,0	25.1
American Ex.	5,000,000	4,889,0	41,835,0	8,698,0	1,604,0	40,172,0	25.6
Commerce	25,000,000	16,533,9	129,709,0	18,331,0	9,685,0	106,311,0	26.3
Pacific	500,000	983,3	4,865,0	524,0	764,0	4,671,0	27.5
Chat. & Phen.	2,250,000	1,333,5	19,652,0	3,508,0	1,647,0	20,215,0	25.5
People's	200,000	464,0	2,118,0	484,0	149,0	2,180,0	29.0
Hanover	3,000,000	14,640,9	72,489,0	19,669,0	1,665,0	80,148,0	26.4
Citizens' Cent.	2,550,000	2,383,8	22,574,0	4,925,0	610,0	21,402,0	25.8
Nassau	1,000,000	485,2	10,476,0	2,201,0	984,0	11,752,0	27.1
Market & Fult	1,000,000	1,929,4	8,889,0	1,430,0	842,0	8,722,0	26.0
Metropolitan	2,000,000	1,833,9	15,386,0	3,785,0	271,0	16,463,0	24.6
Corn Exchange	3,000,000	6,048,7	52,222,0	8,404,0	6,919,0	61,616,0	24.8
Imp. & Trad.	1,500,000	7,945,0	26,359,0	3,578,0	2,580,0	23,603,0	26.0
Park	5,000,000	14,353,9	85,713,0	19,637,0	2,222,0	86,480,0	25.2
East River	250,000	65,3	1,363,0	397,0	118,0	1,700,0	30.2
Fourth	5,000,000	5,884,3	28,451,0	5,009,0	2,100,0	27,657,0	25.7
Second	1,000,000	2,764,9	13,546,0	3,038,0	159,0	12,588,0	25.3
First	10,000,000	22,229,3	107,157,0	25,088,0	1,470,0	98,043,0	27.0
Irving	4,000,000	3,382,1	36,194,0	7,052,0	2,286,0	36,297,0	25.7
Bowery	250,000	784,6	3,200,0	794,0	62,0	3,323,0	25.7
N. Y. County	500,000	2,036,5	8,729,0	1,347,0	673,0	8,655,0	23.3
German-Amer.	750,000	678,3	4,000,0	720,0	225,0	3,700,0	25.1
Chase	5,000,000	10,214,4	95,385,0	22,494,0	6,509,0	109,094,0	26.5
Fifth Avenue	100,000	2,172,0	12,796,0	2,282,0	1,411,0	14,278,0	25.8
German Exch.	200,000	825,6	3,569,0	560,0	379,0	3,697,0	25.4
Germania	200,000	1,038,6	5,093,0	1,169,0	256,0	5,791,0	24.6
Lincoln	1,000,000	1,773,7	15,575,0	3,025,0	750,0	15,715,0	24.0
Garfield	1,000,000	1,298,7	8,935,0	2,327,0	343,0	9,457,0	28.2
Fifth	250,000	494,4	3,960,0	293,0	678,0	3,895,0	25.0
Metropolis	1,000,000	2,305,8	12,828,0	1,988,0	1,263,0	12,722,0	25.5
West Side	200,000	888,0	3,940,0	847,0	346,0	4,698,0	25.3
Seaboard	1,000,000	2,850,1	24,320,0	5,749,0	1,591,0	28,108,0	26.1
Liberty	1,000,000	2,850,1	22,631,0	4,148,0	2,006,0	24,373,0	25.2
N. Y. Prod. Ex	1,000,000	925,7	9,136,0	2,185,0	476,0	10,589,0	25.2
State	1,000,000	491,6	18,940,0	5,952,0	425,0	24,639,0	25.8
Security	1,000,000	364,0	11,717,0	2,422,0	1,371,0	14,337,0	26.4
Coal & Iron	1,000,000	564,8	6,237,0	1,052,0	525,0	6,161,0	25.5
Union Exch.	1,000,000	997,3	9,150,0	1,977,0	350,0	9,087,0	25.6
Nassau, Eklyn	1,000,000	1,139,9	7,916,0	1,526,0	187,0	6,693,0	25.5
Totals, average	133,650,0	211,715,6	1,338,637,0	277,793,0	71,059,0	1,333,267,0	26.1
Actual figures Nov. 22.	1349,943,0	276,803,0	70,749,0	1344,099,0	25.8		

**Circulation.**—On the basis of averages, circulation of national banks in the Clearing House amounted to \$44,771,000 and according to actual figures was \$44,883,000.

DETAILED RETURNS OF TRUST COMPANIES.

Trust Cos Oos omitted.	Surplus.	Loans. Average.	Specie. Average.	Legals. Average.	On Dep. with C.H. Banks.	Net Deposits. Average.	Reserve.
Brooklyn	\$ 3,699,7	\$ 24,369,0	\$ 2,195,0	\$ 731,0	\$ 2,116,0	\$ 19,305,0	15.1+ 9.8
Bankers	14,860,0	118,656,0	13,991,0	469,0	10,772,0	96,243,0	15.0+ 10.0
U. S. Mtg. & Tr.	4,376,5	35,871,0	3,698,0	413,0	3,796,0	27,380,0	15.0+ 12.0
Astor	1,266,6	20,045,0	2,083,0	21,0	1,519,0	14,101,0	15.0+ 9.6
Title Gu. & Tr.	11,437,1	35,437,0	2,213,0	1,061,0	2,229,0	21,643,0	15.1+ 9.2
Guaranty	23,672,2	158,037,0	15,347,0	942,0	12,554,0	103,714,0	15.7+ 10.8
Fidelity	1,330,5	7,523,0	702,0	243,0	719,0	5,955,0	15.8+ 10.1
Lawy. T. I. & T.	5,614,0	16,765,0	1,382,0	327,0	1,303,0	11,030,0	15.4+ 10.5
Col.-Knicker	7,125,9	46,887,0	5,381,0	710,0	4,658,0	40,532,0	15.0+ 10.3
Peoples	1,543,6	16,116,0	1,835,0	438,0	1,710,0	15,078,0	15.0+ 10.0
New York	11,993,2	43,933,0	4,225,0	328,0	3,344,0	30,158,0	15.0+ 10.0
Franklin	1,197,3	8,881,0	940,0	144,0	914,0	7,067,0	15.2+ 11.4
Lincoln	528,4	10,027,0	1,083,0	214,0	1,046,0	8,591,0	15.0+ 10.8
Metropolitan	6,156,6	21,274,0	1,827,0	9,0	1,760,0	12,242,0	15.0+ 12.5
Broadway	824,4	12,035,0	1,208,0	564,0	1,301,0	11,568,0	15.3+ 10.1
Totals, average	95,626,0	575,656,0	58,110,0	6,614,0	49,741,0	424,607,0	15.2+ 10.4
Actual figures Nov. 22	577,295,0	57,649,0	6,756,0	49,228,0	423,958,0	15.1+ 10.4	

The capital of the trust companies is as follows: Brooklyn, \$1,500,000; Bankers, \$10,000,000; United States Mortgage & Trust, \$2,000,000; Astor, \$1,250,000; Title Guarantee & Trust, \$5,000,000; Guaranty, \$10,000,000; Fidelity, \$1,000,000; Lawyers' Title Insurance & Trust, \$4,000,000; Columbia-Knickerbocker, \$2,000,000; Peoples, \$1,000,000; New York, \$3,000,000; Franklin, \$1,000,000; Lincoln, \$1,000,000; Metropolitan, \$2,000,000; Broadway, \$1,500,000; total, \$46,250,000.

SUMMARY COVERING BOTH BANKS AND TRUST COMPANIES.

Week ending Nov. 22.	Capital.	Surplus.	Loans.	Specie.	Legal Tenders.	On Dep. with C.H. Banks.	Net Deposits.
Averages.	\$ 133,650,0	\$ 211,715,6	\$ 1,338,637,0	\$ 277,793,0	\$ 71,059,0	\$ 49,741,0	\$ 1,333,267,0
Trust cos.	46,250,0	95,626,0	575,656,0	58,110,0	6,614,0	49,741,0	424,607,0
Total.	179,900,0	307,341,6	1,914,293,0	335,903,0	77,673,0	49,741,0	1,757,874,0
Actual.							
Trust cos.			1,349,943,0	276,803,0	70,749,0		1,344,099,0
Trust cos.			577,295,0	57,649,0	6,756,0	49,228,0	423,958,0
Total			1,927,238,0	334,452,0	77,505,0	49,228,0	1,768,057,0

The State Banking Department also furnishes weekly returns of the State banks and trust companies under its charge. These returns cover all the institutions of this class in the whole State, but the figures are compiled so as to distinguish between the results for New York City (Greater New York) and those for the rest of the State, as per the following:

For definitions and rules under which the various items are made up, see "Chronicle", V. 86, p. 316.

STATE BANKS AND TRUST COMPANIES.



House banks and trust companies. In addition, we have combined each corresponding item in the two statements, thus affording an aggregate for the whole of the banks and trust companies in Greater New York.

NEW YORK CITY BANKS AND TRUST COMPANIES.

Week ended Nov. 22—	Clear-House Members. Actual Figures	Clear-House Members. Average.	State Banks and Trust Cos. Not in C-H. Aver.	Total of all Banks & Trust Cos. Average.
Capital (National banks Oct. 21 and State banks Sept. 9)	179,900,000	179,900,000	29,650,000	209,550,000
Surplus	307,341,600	307,341,600	74,180,500	381,522,100
Loans and investments	1,927,238,000	1,914,293,000	553,893,100	2,468,186,100
Change from last week	+21,744,000	+9,662,000	-1,577,200	+8,084,800
Deposits	1,768,057,000	1,757,874,000	a556,090,000	2,313,964,000
Change from last week	+21,444,000	+16,980,000	-2,297,300	+14,682,700
Specie	334,452,000	335,903,000	60,956,200	396,859,200
Change from last week	-372,000	+6,276,000	-349,900	+5,926,100
Legal tenders	77,505,000	77,673,000	58,179,700	85,852,700
Change from last week	-905,000	-1,264,000	-90,000	-1,354,000
Banks: cash in vault	347,552,000	348,852,000	13,339,500	362,191,500
Ratio to deposits	25.85%	26.16%	14.33%	-----
Trust cos.: cash in vault	64,405,000	64,724,000	55,796,400	120,520,400
Aggr'te money holdings	411,957,000	413,576,000	69,135,900	482,711,900
Change from last week	-1,277,000	+5,012,000	-439,900	+4,572,100
Money on deposit with other bks. & trust cos.	49,228,000	49,741,000	15,706,100	65,447,100
Change from last week	+211,000	+1,768,000	+445,400	+2,213,400
Total reserve	461,185,000	463,317,000	84,842,000	548,159,000
Change from last week	-1,066,000	+6,780,000	+5,500	+6,785,500
Surplus CASH reserve	11,527,250	15,535,250	-----	-----
Banks (above 25%)	811,300	1,032,950	-----	-----
Trust cos. (above 15%)	-----	-----	-----	-----
Total	12,338,550	16,568,200	-----	-----
Change from last week	-6,066,300	+1,425,500	-----	-----
% of cash reserves of trust cos.	-----	-----	-----	-----
Cash in vault	15.19%	15.24%	15.73%	-----
Cash on dep. with bks.	10.40%	10.48%	1.09%	-----
Total	25.59%	25.72%	16.82%	-----

+ Increase over last week. — Decrease from last week. a These are the deposits after eliminating the item "Due from reserve depositories and other banks and trust companies in New York City"; with this item included, deposits amounted to \$608,066,000, a decrease of \$593,000 from last week. In the case of the Clearing-House members, the deposits are "legal net deposits" both for the average and the actual figures. b Includes bank notes.

The averages of the New York City Clearing-House banks and trust companies, combined with those for the State banks and trust companies in Greater New York City outside of the Clearing House, compare as follows for a series of weeks past:

COMBINED RESULTS OF BANKS AND TRUST COMPANIES IN GREATER NEW YORK.

We omit two ciphers (00) in all these figures.

Week Ended—	Loans and Investments	Deposits	Specie	Legals	Total Money Holdings	Entire Res on Deposit
Sept. 20	2,507,269.5	2,350,165.6	396,334.3	86,750.5	483,084.8	550,864.6
Sept. 27	2,508,386.2	2,351,598.8	402,231.3	85,516.0	487,747.3	553,981.9
Oct. 4	2,516,894.8	2,359,827.3	397,720.3	84,470.9	482,191.2	548,839.5
Oct. 11	2,499,481.0	2,337,821.3	393,660.2	84,318.5	477,978.7	542,910.1
Oct. 18	2,471,431.0	2,310,190.4	390,123.5	85,718.9	475,842.4	541,911.1
Oct. 25	2,455,756.6	2,292,589.6	388,526.9	86,000.5	474,527.4	541,171.0
Nov. 1	2,475,040.3	2,306,105.0	386,720.9	83,841.5	470,562.4	535,262.8
Nov. 8	2,466,185.3	2,296,512.9	384,247.7	84,323.1	468,570.8	533,423.5
Nov. 15	2,460,101.3	2,299,281.3	390,933.1	87,206.7	478,139.8	541,373.5
Nov. 22	2,468,186.1	2,313,964.0	396,859.2	85,852.7	482,711.9	548,159.0

Reports of Clearing Non-Member Banks.—The following is the statement of condition of the clearing non-member banks for the week ending Nov. 22, based on average daily results:

We omit two ciphers (00) in all these figures.

Banks.	Capital.	Surplus.	Loans, Disc'ts and Investments.	Specie.	Legal Tender and Bank Notes.	On Deposit with C-H. Banks.	Net Deposits.
<b>New York City.</b>							
Manhattan and Bronx							
Washington Heights	100.0	357.3	1,757.0	151.0	108.0	183.0	1,500.0
Battery Park Nat.	200.0	123.1	1,674.0	319.0	65.0	60.0	1,664.0
Century	500.0	500.3	6,303.0	578.0	475.0	796.0	6,263.0
Colonial	400.0	681.8	6,637.0	1,198.0	598.0	770.0	6,927.0
Columbia	300.0	728.3	6,564.0	671.0	549.0	770.0	7,568.0
Fidelity	200.0	178.3	1,115.0	55.0	127.0	121.0	1,061.0
Mutual	200.0	464.4	5,006.0	539.0	337.0	606.0	5,085.0
New Netherland	200.0	320.6	3,208.0	425.0	135.0	199.0	3,345.0
Twenty-third Ward	200.0	104.4	1,229.0	241.0	104.0	273.0	2,098.0
Yorkville	100.0	498.5	4,441.0	591.0	271.0	649.0	4,915.0
<b>Brooklyn.</b>							
First National	300.0	703.1	4,092.0	434.0	50.0	587.0	3,447.0
Manufacturers' Nat.	252.0	932.2	5,963.0	594.0	179.0	736.0	5,401.0
Mechanics'	1,000.0	527.4	11,058.0	1,366.0	683.0	1,648.0	13,242.0
National City	300.0	589.5	4,687.0	522.0	114.0	646.0	4,625.0
North Side	200.0	181.6	2,813.0	208.0	166.0	319.0	2,911.0
<b>Jersey City.</b>							
First National	400.0	1,398.0	4,098.0	283.0	282.0	3,075.0	2,907.0
Hudson County Nat.	250.0	826.9	3,097.0	198.0	57.0	491.0	1,610.0
Third National	200.0	441.2	2,372.0	100.0	147.0	477.0	1,613.0
<b>Hoboken.</b>							
First National	220.0	676.5	4,469.0	229.0	62.0	613.0	1,596.0
Second National	125.0	298.2	3,532.0	205.0	53.0	418.0	1,537.0
Totals Nov. 22	5,847.0	10,531.6	84,815.0	8,910.0	4,162.0	13,592.0	79,815.0
Totals Nov. 15	5,847.0	10,531.6	84,762.0	8,950.0	4,199.0	12,526.0	79,052.0
Totals Nov. 8	5,847.0	10,531.6	83,975.0	8,559.0	4,015.0	13,084.0	77,910.0

Boston and Philadelphia Banks.—Below is a summary of the weekly totals of the Clearing-House banks of Boston and Philadelphia:

We omit two ciphers (00) in all these figures.

Banks.	Capital and Surplus.	Loans.	Specie.	Legals.	Deposits.	Circulation.	Clearings.
<b>Boston.</b>							
Oct. 4	60,735.0	234,676.0	25,528.0	3,806.0	279,481.0	9,932.0	173,585.9
Oct. 11	60,735.0	235,512.0	26,000.0	3,861.0	276,743.0	9,943.0	158,748.8
Oct. 18	60,735.0	238,306.0	25,387.0	4,198.0	285,069.0	9,911.0	174,631.2
Oct. 25	60,735.0	235,917.0	26,602.0	4,179.0	273,719.0	9,877.0	166,016.3
Nov. 1	60,735.0	236,545.0	26,223.0	4,143.0	271,796.0	9,870.0	149,903.6
Nov. 8	60,735.0	233,383.0	26,146.0	4,198.0	271,123.0	9,876.0	188,588.8
Nov. 15	60,735.0	233,218.0	26,786.0	4,324.0	274,553.0	9,820.0	164,440.3
Nov. 22	60,735.0	231,127.0	26,913.0	3,993.0	266,170.0	9,815.0	162,731.4
<b>Phila.</b>							
Oct. 4	103,684.3	382,061.0	95,916.0	94,225.0	*434,192.0	11,305.0	198,727.7
Oct. 11	103,684.3	384,506.0	94,225.0	94,672.0	*430,735.0	11,296.0	184,668.9
Oct. 18	103,684.3	386,361.0	93,704.0	93,704.0	*431,351.0	11,312.0	160,737.6
Oct. 25	103,684.3	383,633.0	91,378.0	91,378.0	*427,801.0	11,290.0	177,492.2
Nov. 1	103,684.3	382,076.0	92,141.0	91,600.0	*431,735.0	11,287.0	169,540.3
Nov. 8	103,684.3	382,580.0	91,600.0	91,600.0	*431,208.0	11,299.0	167,346.6
Nov. 15	103,684.3	382,598.0	92,702.0	92,702.0	*430,504.0	11,288.0	173,199.8
Nov. 22	103,684.3	380,474.0	92,702.0	92,702.0	*430,504.0	11,288.0	173,199.8

\* Includes Government deposits and the item "due to other banks." At Boston Government deposits amounted to \$1,670,000 on Nov. 22, against \$1,669,000 on Nov. 15.

\* "Deposits" now include the item "Exchanges for Clearing House," which were reported on Nov. 22 as \$14,678,000.

Imports and Exports for the Week.—The following are the imports at New York for the week ending Nov. 22; also totals since the beginning of the first week in January:

FOREIGN IMPORTS AT NEW YORK.

For Week.	1913.	1912.	1911.	1910.
Dry Goods	\$3,052,844	\$3,230,100	\$2,666,195	\$3,187,801
General Merchandise	14,810,380	20,695,415	13,677,861	14,346,698
Total	\$17,863,224	\$23,925,515	\$16,344,056	\$17,534,499
Since January 1.				
Dry Goods	\$141,128,682	\$137,335,337	\$127,249,676	\$142,554,126
General Merchandise	744,943,434	785,497,417	666,990,819	681,789,861
Total 47 weeks	\$886,072,116	\$922,832,754	\$794,240,495	\$824,343,987

The following is a statement of the exports (exclusive of specie) from the port of New York to foreign ports for the week ending Nov. 22 and from Jan. 1 to date:

EXPORTS FROM NEW YORK.

For Week.	1913.	1912.	1911.	1910.
For the week	\$13,219,049	\$17,954,986	\$19,778,172	\$10,320,437
Previously reported	773,100,407	735,995,737	687,310,861	611,750,536
Total 47 weeks	\$786,319,456	\$753,950,723	\$707,089,033	\$622,070,973

The following table shows the exports and imports of specie at the port of New York for the week ending Nov. 22 and since Jan. 1 1913 and for the corresponding periods in 1912 and 1911:

EXPORTS AND IMPORTS OF SPECIE AT NEW YORK.

Gold.	Exports.		Imports.	
	Week.	Since Jan. 1	Week.	Since Jan. 1
Great Britain	-----	-----	\$2,426,650	\$2,491,291
France	-----	\$43,575,270	-----	991,504
Germany	-----	714,000	376	13,081
West Indies	\$32,500	401,551	8,658	2,631,823
Mexico	-----	5,171	239,536	11,070,276
South America	-----	22,483,639	60,426	4,507,479
All other countries	-----	1,716,515	124,457	2,028,771
Total 1913	\$32,500	\$68,896,146	\$2,860,103	\$23,734,225
Total 1912	25,470	33,235,951	811,494	27,244,862
Total 1911	1,833,100	9,615,945	153,113	14,141,534
<b>Silver.</b>				
Great Britain	\$758,419	\$37,806,631	-----	\$22,354
France	59,000	6,466,904	-----	72,745
Germany	-----	-----	\$551	23,592
West Indies	148	42,863	344	107,707
Mexico	-----	-----	556,622	5,697,338
South America	-----	7,909	33,922	2,401,101
All other countries	-----	5,750	5,044	1,505,931
Total 1913	\$817,567	\$44,330,057	\$596,483	\$9,830,768
Total 1912	979,645	51,654,890	241,957	8,877,542
Total 1911	1,801,858	45,236,566	105,551	6,447,141

Of the above imports for the week in 1913, \$49,003 were American gold coin and \$242 American silver coin.

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**Bankers' Gazette.**

Wall Street, Friday Night, Nov. 28 1913.

**The Money Market and Financial Situation.**—Extreme dullness has again prevailed in the security markets this week. On Monday the transactions at the Stock Exchange were on a more limited scale than for many years past, and on Wednesday and to-day have been little larger. It seems unnecessary to go into an explanation of the causes of this dullness. They have been mentioned over and over again in nearly all reviews of market conditions during recent months and there is nothing new to add. These conditions and the causes which led up to them are, therefore, well known, but it is now largely the prospect and outlook for future industrial and financial development which is paralyzing business not only at the Stock Exchange—that is a matter of relatively small moment—but in practically every department of industry throughout the country.

In the general gloom that prevails there are, however, two important phases of the general situation, also frequently mentioned of late, which it is well not to lose sight of. We refer to national and international financial conditions and to the Government report of our foreign trade, recently given out, for October and for ten months of the calendar year which October completes. This balance for the month amounted to, in round numbers, \$138,600,000 and for ten months to \$544,000,000, in both cases the largest in the history of such trade. Comment on these figures seems unnecessary.

The Imperial Bank of Germany made an exceptionally favorable weekly report and open market rates at Berlin are lower. The Bank of England obtained \$4,000,000 of the South African gold which reached London early in the week and British Consols have advanced. The New York banks reported a reduced surplus reserve last Saturday and nearly \$14,000,000 of gold has been shipped from here to Canada since the movement began, a little more than a week ago. As a consequence of this, and also because of shipments of currency to San Francisco and preparations for the monthly settlements, local interest rates have advanced, to-day reaching 10%. This advance is, however, thought to be temporary.

Reports from the steel industry show a further reduction in both output and orders. The mills are said to be running at two-thirds capacity and orders booking to be equal to only one-third the capacity of the mills and a similar or modified condition of affairs exists in other departments. A big strike is on at the Schenectady works of the General Electric Co., partly as a result of the laying off of hands because of a lack of orders.

The open market rates for call loans on the Stock Exchange during the week on stock and bond collaterals have ranged from 2 3/4 @ 10%. Friday's rates on call were 5 @ 10%. Commercial paper on Friday quoted 5 1/4 @ 5 3/4 % for 60 to 90-day endorsements and prime 4 to 6 months' single names and 6 @ 6 1/2 % for good single names.

The Bank of England weekly statement on Thursday showed an increase in bullion of £602,126 and the percentage of reserve to liabilities was 54.38, against 54.97 last week. The rate of discount remains unchanged at 5%, as fixed Oct. 2. The Bank of France shows an increase of 33,000 francs gold and 2,670,000 francs silver.

**NEW YORK CLEARING-HOUSE BANKS.**  
(Not Including Trust Companies.)

	1913.		1912.		1911.	
	Averages for week ending Nov. 22.	Differences from previous week.	Averages for week ending Nov. 23.	Averages for week ending Nov. 25.	Averages for week ending Nov. 25.	Averages for week ending Nov. 25.
Capital	\$ 133,650,000		\$ 133,650,000	\$ 135,150,000		
Surplus	211,715,600		199,887,600	196,020,300		
Loans and discounts	1,338,637,000 Inc.	7,320,000	1,306,412,000	1,354,012,000		
Circulation	44,771,000 Inc.	29,000	46,766,000	50,698,000		
Net deposits	1,333,267,000 Inc.	10,395,000	1,290,760,000	1,360,313,000		
Specie	277,793,000 Inc.	4,012,000	253,763,000	272,751,000		
Legal tenders	71,059,000 Dec.	1,465,000	75,147,000	74,977,000		
Reserve held	348,852,000 Inc.	2,547,000	328,910,000	347,728,000		
25% of deposits	333,316,750 Inc.	2,598,750	322,690,000	340,078,250		
Surplus reserve	15,535,250 Dec.	51,750	6,220,000	7,649,750		

Note.—The Clearing House now issues a statement weekly, showing the actual condition of the banks on Saturday morning, as well as the above averages. The figures, together with the returns of the separate banks and trust companies, also the summary issued by the State Banking Department, giving the condition of State banks and trust companies not reporting to the Clearing House, appear on the second page preceding.

**State and Railroad Bonds.**—Sales of State bonds at the Board include \$14,000 New York Canal 4s, 1961, at 99 5/8 to 99 7/8, \$5,000 Palisades Park 4s at 99 1/2 and \$72,000 Virginia 6s, deferred trust receipts, at 56 1/4 to 57 1/2.

The railway and industrial bond market has again been exceptionally dull. Only a trifle more than \$1,000,000 per day, par value, has changed ownership at the Exchange, a much smaller average than last week's record showed. Price changes have been altogether unimportant and are almost evenly divided between higher and lower.

Only a few issues have been relatively active. Of these, New Havens take the lead, but Burlington & Quincy, St. Paul and Rock Island issues are included. The latter have been exceptionally weak and Union Pacifics relatively strong.

**Foreign Exchange.**—Sterling exchange has ruled quiet during the week. In the early days some firmness was displayed, but this disappeared at the close as a result of the

flurry in New York money rates. Canada continued to take gold, the total movement to the Dominion to date being \$13,600,000.

To-day's (Friday's) actual rates for sterling exchange were 4 8085 @ 4 81 for sixty days, 4 8515 @ 4 8525 for cheques and 4 8570 @ 4 8580 for cables. Commercial on banks 4 79 1/4 @ 4 80 1/4 and documents for payment 4 80 1/4 @ 4 81 1/4. Cotton for payment 4 80 1/4 @ 4 80 1/2 and grain for payment 4 81 @ 4 81 1/4.

The posted rates for sterling as quoted by a representative house were not changed during the week from 4 82 for 60 days and 4 86 for sight.

To-day's (Friday's) actual rates for Paris bankers' francs were 5 24 1/2 less 3-32 @ 5 24 1/2 less 1-16 for long and 5 21 1/4 plus 1-32 @ 5 21 1/4 plus 1-16 for short. Germany bankers' marks were 94 @ 94 1-16 for long and 94 11-16 @ 94 1/2 less 1-32 for short. Amsterdam bankers' guilders were 40 plus 1-32 @ 40 plus 1-16 for short.

Exchange at Paris on London, 25f. 29 1/2 c.; week's range, 25f. 31 1/2 c. high and 25f. 28 3/4 c. low.

Exchange at Berlin on London, 20 m. 49 1/2 pf.; week's range, 20 m. 51 pf. high and 20 m. 49 1/2 pf. low.

The range for foreign exchange for the week follows:

Sterling, Actual—Sixty-Days. Cheques. Cables.  
High for the week... 4 8135 4 8560 4 8615  
Low for the week... 4 8085 4 8515 4 8570

Paris Bankers' Francs—  
High for the week... 5 24 1/2 less 1-32 5 20 1/2 less 1-32 5 20 1/2 plus 1-16  
Low for the week... 5 23 1/2 less 1-16 5 21 1/4 5 20 1/2 less 1-16

Germany Bankers' Marks—  
High for the week... 94 1-16 94 1/2 94 13-16  
Low for the week... 93 15-16 94 11-16 94 1/2 plus 1-64

Amsterdam Bankers' Guilders—  
High for the week... 39 11-16 less 1-16 40 plus 1-16 40 1-16 plus 1-32  
Low for the week... 39 1/2 40 40 1-16 less 1-16

Domestic Exchange.—Chicago, 5c. per \$1,000 premium. Boston, par. St. Louis, 20c. per \$1,000 discount bid and 15c. discount asked. San Francisco, par. Montreal, 77 1/2 c. per \$1,000 discount. Minneapolis, 50c. per \$1,000 premium. Cincinnati, 5c. per \$1,000 premium.

**United States Bonds.**—Sales of Government bonds at the Board are limited to \$1,000 4s, coup. at 111. For to-day's prices of all the different issues and for yearly range see third page following.

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For record of sales during the week of stocks usually inactive, see preceding page

STOCKS—HIGHEST AND LOWEST SALE PRICES.

Table with columns for days of the week (Saturday Nov. 22 to Friday Nov. 28) and stock prices. Includes a vertical 'THANKSGIVING DAY' label.

STOCKS NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE

Table listing various stocks (e.g., Railroads, Atchafalpa, etc.) with columns for Range Since Jan. 1 (Lowest, Highest) and Range for Previous Year 1912 (Lowest, Highest).

BANKS AND TRUST COMPANIES—BROKERS' QUOTATIONS.

Table listing various banks and trust companies with columns for Bid, Ask, and other financial details.

\* Bid and asked prices; no sales on this day. † Ex-rights. ‡ Less than 100 shares. § State banks. ¶ Ex-div. & rights. \* New stock. † Ex 2 1/2% accum. div. ‡ Sale at Stock Exchange or at auction this week. § First installment paid. ¶ Sold at private sale at this price. † Ex-div. ‡ Full paid.



For record of sales during the week of stocks usually inactive, see second page preceding

STOCKS—HIGHEST AND LOWEST SALE PRICES.						Sales of the Week Shares.	STOCKS NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE		Range Since Jan. 1 On basis of 100-share lots		Range for Previous Year 1912		
Saturday Nov. 22	Monday Nov. 24	Tuesday Nov. 25	Wednesday Nov. 26	Thursday Nov. 27	Friday Nov. 28		Lowest	Highest	Lowest	Highest			
100 100	*100 105	*100 105	*100 105	100 105	*100 105	100	100	100	100	99	Feb	105	Aug
25 25	*25 27	*25 27	*25 27	25 27	*25 27	25	27	25	27	26	Jan	44 1/2	Oct
*107 110	108 1/4	108 1/4	108 1/4	108 1/4	*107 1/2	108 1/4	108 1/4	108 1/4	108 1/4	111 1/2	Dec	133 1/2	May
*113 115	114 1/4	114 1/4	*113 1/2	*113 1/2	*113 1/2	114 1/4	114 1/4	113 1/2	113 1/2	115 1/2	Jan	124	Sep
118 3/4	118 3/4	118 3/4	118 3/4	118 3/4	118 3/4	118 3/4	118 3/4	118 3/4	118 3/4	137 1/2	Jan	149 1/2	Mar
*222 232	*225 232	*225 232	*225 232	*225 232	*225 232	225	232	225	232	241 1/2	Feb	324 1/2	July
99 3/4	99 3/4	99 3/4	99 3/4	100 100	100 100	100	100	100	100	101 1/4	Jan	106 3/4	Jan
*16 21	*16 20 1/2	*16 20 1/2	*16 20 1/2	16 18	*16 18	16	18	16	18	18	Nov	31	May
*75 76	*75 77	*75 77	*75 77	75 77	*75 77	75	77	75	77	79	Dec	94 1/2	Mar
*12 1/2	15 1/2	15 1/2	15 1/2	14 16	14 16	14	16	14	16	25 1/2	Jan	41 1/2	Mar
34 3/8	33 3/4	33 3/4	33 3/4	34 34 3/8	34 34 3/8	34 3/8	34 3/8	34 3/8	34 3/8	34 3/8	Jan	34 3/8	Jan
*41 41	*41 41 1/2	*41 41 1/2	*41 41 1/2	42 42 1/2	42 42 1/2	42 1/2	42 1/2	42 1/2	42 1/2	42 1/2	Jan	42 1/2	Jan
*38 40	*38 40	*38 40	*38 40	38 40	*38 40	38 40	40	38 40	40	38 40	Jan	38 40	Jan
*104 104	*104 104	*104 104	*104 104	104 104	*104 104	104	104	104	104	104	Jan	104	Jan
*28 1/4	*28 1/4	*28 1/4	*28 1/4	28 1/4	*28 1/4	28 1/4	28 1/4	28 1/4	28 1/4	28 1/4	Jan	28 1/4	Jan
*68 69 1/4	*68 69 1/4	*68 69 1/4	*68 69 1/4	68 69 1/4	*68 69 1/4	68 1/4	69 1/4	68 1/4	69 1/4	68 1/4	Jan	68 1/4	Jan
*121 126	*121 125	*121 125	*121 125	121 126	*121 126	121	126	121	126	120	Oct	137 1/2	Mar
*25 1/4	*25 1/4	*25 1/4	*25 1/4	25 1/4	*25 1/4	25 1/4	27 1/4	25 1/4	27 1/4	25	Mar	27 1/4	Mar
*16 1/4	*16 1/4	*16 1/4	*16 1/4	16 1/4	*16 1/4	16 1/4	17 1/4	16 1/4	17 1/4	16 1/4	Jan	16 1/4	Jan
*47 49	*48 49	*48 49	*48 49	48 48	*48 48	48	48	48	48	48	Dec	48	Dec
95 95	*90 95 1/4	*90 95 1/4	*90 95 1/4	90 95	*90 95	90	95	90	95	99 3/4	Dec	101 1/2	Dec
23 1/2	23 1/2	24 1/4	24 1/4	24 1/4	24 1/4	24 1/4	24 1/4	24 1/4	24 1/4	16 1/2	Feb	33 3/8	Sep
*94 95	*94 94	*94 94	*94 94	94 94	*94 94	94	94	94	94	80	Feb	100 1/2	Oct
37 1/2	37 1/2	37 1/2	37 1/2	38 3/8	38 3/8	38 3/8	38 3/8	38 3/8	38 3/8	25 1/2	Jan	50 3/8	Nov
27 1/2	27 1/2	27 1/2	27 1/2	27 1/2	27 1/2	27 1/2	27 1/2	27 1/2	27 1/2	23 1/4	Feb	43 3/4	Sep
126 1/2	126 1/2	126 1/2	126 1/2	126 1/2	126 1/2	126 1/2	126 1/2	126 1/2	126 1/2	125 1/2	Jan	135 1/2	Dec
*9 1/2	*9 1/2	*9 1/2	*9 1/2	9 1/2	*9 1/2	9 1/2	9 1/2	9 1/2	9 1/2	10	Jan	22 1/2	Oct
*65 67	*66 66	*67 67	*67 67	65 67 1/2	*65 67 1/2	65	67 1/2	65	67 1/2	75	Dec	89 1/2	Oct
*94 1/2	*94 1/2	*94 1/2	*94 1/2	94 1/2	*94 1/2	94 1/2	94 1/2	94 1/2	94 1/2	99 3/4	Dec	100 1/2	Dec
16 16	16 16	16 16	16 16	16 16	16 16	16	16	16	16	20	Feb	36 1/4	Aug
*11 17	*11 16	*11 16	*11 16	11 16	*11 16	11	16	11	16	11 1/4	Feb	11 1/4	Sep
*35 1/2	*35 1/2	*35 1/2	*35 1/2	35 1/2	*35 1/2	35 1/2	39 1/4	35 1/2	39 1/4	37 1/2	Jan	37 1/2	Sep
139 139	137 1/2	139 1/2	137 1/2	139 138 1/4	138 1/4	138 1/4	138 1/4	138 1/4	138 1/4	155	Jan	158 1/2	July
*35 37 1/2	*35 36 1/2	*35 36 1/2	*35 36 1/2	35 37	*35 37	35	37	35	37	30	Feb	42 1/2	Sep
*72 75 1/4	*74 75 1/4	*75 75	*74 75 1/4	74 75 1/4	*74 75 1/4	74 1/2	75 1/4	74 1/2	75 1/4	70 1/4	May	82 1/2	July
18 1/2	18 1/2	18 1/2	18 1/2	17 19	17 19	17	19	17	19	60 1/2	Dec	81	Sep
*81 83	*81 81 1/4	*80 81 1/4	*80 81 1/4	80 80 1/2	80 80 1/2	80	80 1/2	80	80 1/2	105	Dec	109 1/2	Sep
*43 1/4	*43 1/4	*43 1/4	*43 1/4	44 44 1/4	44 44 1/4	44	44 1/4	44	44 1/4	47	Dec	47 1/2	Jan
14 1/4	14 1/4	14 1/4	14 1/4	14 1/4	14 1/4	14	14 1/4	14	14 1/4	10 1/2	Jan	10 1/2	Jan
*101 1/2	*101 1/2	*101 1/2	*101 1/2	101 1/2	*101 1/2	101 1/2	101 1/2	101 1/2	101 1/2	111 1/2	Jan	111 1/2	Jan
*101 1/2	*101 1/2	*101 1/2	*101 1/2	101 1/2	*101 1/2	101 1/2	101 1/2	101 1/2	101 1/2	111 1/2	Jan	111 1/2	Jan
*110 1/2	*110 1/2	*110 1/2	*110 1/2	110 1/2	*110 1/2	110 1/2	110 1/2	110 1/2	110 1/2	114 1/2	Jan	114 1/2	Jan
*110 1/2	*110 1/2	*110 1/2	*110 1/2	110 1/2	*110 1/2	110 1/2	110 1/2	110 1/2	110 1/2	114 1/2	Jan	114 1/2	Jan
*13 1/2	*13 1/2	*13 1/2	*13 1/2	13 1/2	*13 1/2	13 1/2	13 1/2	13 1/2	13 1/2	15 1/2	Jan	15 1/2	Jan
*3 1/2	*3 1/2	*3 1/2	*3 1/2	3 1/2	*3 1/2	3 1/2	3 1/2	3 1/2	3 1/2	4 1/2	Jan	4 1/2	Jan
*7 1/2	*7 1/2	*7 1/2	*7 1/2	7 1/2	*7 1/2	7 1/2	7 1/2	7 1/2	7 1/2	8 1/2	Jan	8 1/2	Jan
*33 36	*33 36	*33 36	*33 36	33 36	*33 36	33	36	33	36	34 1/2	Jan	34 1/2	Jan
*5 6	*5 6	*5 6	*5 6	5 6	*5 6	5	6	5	6	6 1/2	Jan	6 1/2	Jan
*16 25	*17 25 1/2	*18 18	*17 17	17 17	*17 17	17	17	17	17	63	Dec	84 1/2	Apr
*78 86	*78 86	*78 86	*78 86	82 82	*82 82	82	82	82	82	90	Dec	95 1/2	Oct
*100 109	*100 109	*100 109	*100 109	100 109	*100 109	100	109	100	109	107	Dec	109	Oct
*75 85	*75 85	*80 80	*75 85	75 85	*75 85	75	85	75	85	71	Sep	89 1/2	Oct
*97 1/2	*97 1/2	*97 1/2	*97 1/2	97 1/2	*97 1/2	97	100	97	100	100	Oct	105 1/2	Oct
*30 37	*30 37	*30 37	*30 37	30 37	*30 37	30	37	30	37	29	Mar	55 1/2	Sep
*95 99	*95 99	*97 97 1/2	*97 97 1/2	96 99	*96 99	95	100	95	100	102 1/2	Dec	108 1/2	Jan
*205 212	*204 212	*202 212	*203 215	203 215	*203 215	203	215	203	215	156 1/2	Jan	225	Oct
*109 115	*110 115	*109 115	*110 115	110 115	*110 115	109	115	109	115	105 1/2	Jan	118	Aug
*27 30	*27 28	*27 28 1/2	*28 28 1/2	28 28 1/2	*28 28 1/2	27 3/4	30	27 3/4	30	30 1/2	Dec	47 1/2	July
*97 100	*95 100	*95 100	*95 100	95 100	*95 100	95	100	95	100	102 1/2	Oct	105 1/2	Nov
*85 92	*85 92	*85 92	*85 92	85 92	*85 92	85	92	85	92	90	July	92 1/2	Oct
*155 163	*155 163	*155 163	*155 163	155 163	*155 163	155	163	155	163	167 1/2	Mar	215 1/2	Oct
*108 1/2	*108 1/2	*108 1/2	*108 1/2	108 1/2	*108 1/2	108 1/2	111 1/2	108 1/2	111 1/2	107 1/2	Jan	107 1/2	Jan
65 1/4	65 1/4	66 1/2	65 1/4	64 66	*64 66	64	66	64	66	69	Apr	88	Oct
*98 102	*98 102	*98 102	*98 102	98 102	*98 102	98	102	98	102	105	Dec	112	Jan
42 44	43 1/4	45 1/4	46 1/4	45 46 1/4	*45 46 1/4	44 1/2	45	44 1/2	45	62 1/2	Apr	90 1/2	Oct
21 1/4	21 1/4	21 1/4	21 1/4	21 1/4	*21 1/4	21 1/4	21 1/4	21 1/4	21 1/4	23 1/4	Feb	30 1/4	Sep
*118 120	*118 120	120 121	*118 120	118 120	*118 120	118	120	118	120	114	Dec	161	Apr
*116 119	*116 119	117 117	*116 119	116 117 1/2	*116 117 1/2	116 1/2	117 1/2	116 1/2	117 1/2	122	Dec	131	Jan
*10 11	*10 11	*10 11	*10 11	10 11	*10 11	10	11	10	11	12 1/2	Feb	26	Oct
*78 82	*80 82	*80 80	*80 81	80 81	*80 81	80	81	80	81	83	Feb	95 1/2	Jan
*43 45	*43 45	*43 44	*43 44	43 44	*43 44	43	45	43	45	51 1/2	Jan	68 1/2	Oct
*102 104	*103 103	*103 106	*103 106	103 103 1/4	*103 103 1/4	103	104	103	104	105 1/2	Feb	110 1/2	Nov
14 1/4	14 1/4	14 1/4	14 1/4	14 1/4	*14 1/4	14 1/4	15 1/4	14 1/4	15 1/4	18 1/4	Jan	24 1/2	Sep
*60 65	*67 65	*60 67	*60 67	60 67 1/2	*60 67 1/2	60	67 1/2	60	67 1/2	50	Feb	85	Nov
*68 75	*68 75	70 1/2	70 1/2	68 75	*68 75	68	75	68	75	74 1/2	Jan	78 1/2	Aug
*23 24	*24 24 1/2	*24 24 1/2	*24 24 1/2	23 24 1/2	*23 24 1/2	23 1/2	24 1/2	23 1/2	24 1/2	28 1/2	Dec	38	Sep
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New York Stock Exchange—Bond Record, Friday, Weekly and Yearly

Jan. 1 1909 the Exchange method of quoting bonds was changed, and prices are now all—"and interest"—except for income and defaulted bonds.

Main table containing bond records for U.S. Government, Foreign Government, State and City Securities, and Bonds. Columns include description, interest period, price, range, and date.

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Miscellaneous Bonds table listing various street railway and utility bonds with columns for description, interest, price, and date.

\* No price Friday; latest this week. † Due April. ‡ Due May. § Due June. ¶ Due July. †† Due Aug. ‡‡ Due Oct. §§ Due Nov. ¶¶ Due Dec. ††† Option sale.



N. Y. STOCK EXCHANGE		Bonds		Price		Week's		Range	
Week Ending Nov. 28		Nov. 28		Range or Last Sale		Since Jan. 1		Since Jan. 1	
		Bid	Ask	Low	High	No.	Low	High	
Cin H & D 2d gold 4 1/2s	1937 J-J	90 1/2	100 3/4	Oct '12					
1st & refunding 4s	1939 J-J								
D & R guaranteed 4s	1939 J-J			86 1/4	J'ne '12				
Gin D & W 1st gu 4s	1941 M-F			97	Oct '13	97	100 1/2		
C Find & Ft W 1st gu 4s	1923 M-F			88	Nov '11				
Cin I & W 1st gu 4s	1931 J-J			90	Feb '13	86 3/4	86 3/4		
Day & Mich 1st cons 4 1/2s	1931 J-J			100	Dec '12				
Ind Dec & W 1st g 5s	1935 J-J			107 1/2	Dec '02				
1st guar gold 5s	1935 J-J			87 1/2	Nov '13	85	92 3/8		
Cleve Cin C & St L gen 4s	1933 J-D			89	Sep '13	87 1/2	92 3/8		
20-yr deb 4 1/2s	1931 J-J			88 1/4	Nov '13	90	90		
Cairo Div 1st gold 4s	1939 J-J			79	Feb '18	89 1/4	89 1/4		
Cin W & M Div 1st g 4s	1931 J-J			83 3/4	Nov '13	83 1/2	91		
St L Div 1st coll tr g 4s	1930 M-N				Oct '07				
Registered	1930 M-N								
Spr & Col Div 1st g 4s	1940 M-S			82 1/2	85	82	82		
W W Val Div 1st g 4s	1940 J-J			82	91	Apr '12			
St L & C consol 6s	1920 M-N			102 1/2	105 1/2	104 1/2	105 1/2		
1st g 4s	1936 Q-F			95	94 1/2	Nov '13	94 1/4	94 1/4	
Registered	1936 Q-F			101	102	Oct '13	102	103	
Cin S & C 1st g 5s	1923 J-J			100 1/2	101 1/4	Oct '13	100 1/4	101 1/2	
C C C & I consol 7s	1914 J-D								
Consol sinking fund 7s	1934 J-J			120	Mch '13	120	120		
General consol gold 6s	1934 J-J								
Registered	1934 J-J								
Ind B & W 1st pref 4s	1940 A-O			82	94	J'y '08			
O Ind & W 1st pref 6s	1938 Q-J								
Peo & East 1st con 4s	1940 A-O			81	82 1/2	81	81		
Income 4s	1930 Apr			30	35	J'y '13	30	49 1/2	
Col Mid and 1st g 4s	1947 J-J			25	27	Nov '13	21	36 1/4	
Trust Co. certs. of deposit				30	26	J'y '13	25	26 1/2	
Colorado & So 1st g 4s	1929 F-A			89 3/4	Sale	89 3/4	89 3/4		
Refund & ext 4 1/2s	1935 M-N			91 3/8	91 1/2	91 1/2	91 1/2		
Ft W & Den O 1st g 6s	1921 J-D			103	105	Oct '13	102	108	
Conn & Pas Ribs 1st g 4s	1943 A-O								
Cuba RR 1st 50-yr 5s g	1932 J-J								
Del Lark & Western									
Del Morris & Essex 1st 7s	1914 M-N			101	101	Nov '13	101	103 1/2	
1st consol guar 7s	1915 J-D			103 1/2	103 1/2	103 1/2	103 1/2		
Registered	1915 J-D								
1st ref gu 3 1/2s	2000 J-D			84	88	Oct '13	84	84	
N Y Lark & W 1st 6s	1921 J-D			103 3/8	103 1/2	Nov '13	103	111 3/8	
Construction 5s	1923 F-A			103 1/2	105 1/2	102 1/2	106 1/2		
Term & Improve 4s	1923 M-N			94	94	Aug '13	94	97	
Warren 1st ref gu 3 1/2s	2000 F-A			71	102 1/2	Feb '03	94	97	
Del & Hud 1st Pa Div 7s	1917 M-S			108	108	Nov '13	107 1/2	110 3/8	
Registered	1917 M-S			107 1/2	149	Aug '01	107 1/2	110 3/8	
10-yr conv deb 4s	1916 J-D			97	Sale	97	97 1/2		
1st lien equip g 4 1/2s	1922 J-J			98	98 1/2	98	98		
1st & ref 4s	1943 M-N			94 1/2	94 1/2	Nov '13	94 1/2	99 1/2	
Alb & Sps cons 3 1/2s	1946 A-O			83 1/2	85	84	Nov '13	83	88 3/4
Rens & Saratoga 1st 7s	1921 M-N			114 1/4					
Consol gold 4 1/2s	1936 J-J			82 1/2	81	81	81		
Improvement gold 5s	1928 J-D			90 1/2	93	Nov '13	90	99 1/2	
1st & refunding 5s	1935 J-A			70	90	Oct '13	85	99	
Rio Gr Junc 1st g 5s	1939 J-D			101	101	Dec '12	97	84 1/4	
Rio Gr So 1st gold 4s	1940 J-J								
Guaranteed	1940 J-J			77 1/2	109	Dec '12	101	103 1/2	
Rio Gr West 1st g 4s	1939 J-J			79	80	79 1/2	79 1/2		
Mtge & col trust 4s A	1949 A-O			68	78	Apr '13	78	85 1/4	
Utah Cent 1st gu g 4s	1917 A-O								
Des Mol Un Ry 1st g 5s	1917 M-N			84	110	Sep '04	84	84	
Det & Mack 1st lien g 4s	1935 J-D			83	84	J'ne '13	84	82 1/2	
Gold 4s	1935 J-D			83	84	Oct '13	82	82 1/2	
Det Riv Tun-Ter Tun 4 1/2s	1961 M-N			99	96	Sep '13	95 1/2	99 3/8	
Del Missab & Nor gen 6s	1941 J-J			99 1/2	104 1/2	Mch '13	104 1/4	104 1/4	
Du & Iron Range 1st 5s	1937 A-O			100	103	Nov '13	100	100	
Registered	1937 A-O								
Edin 2d 5s	1916 J-J			98 1/2	104	Feb '11	99 1/2	103 3/8	
Du So Shore & At g 5s	1937 J-J			99	99 1/2	Nov '13	99 1/2	103 3/8	
Erie 1st consol gold 7s	1941 M-N			103	110	Aug '12	109 1/2	115	
N Y & Erie 1st ext g 4s	1920 M-S			110 1/2	111 1/2	110 1/4	110 1/4		
2d ext gold 5s	1919 M-N			98	102	Feb '13	103	103	
3d ext gold 4 1/2s	1923 M-S			95	100	Oct '13	100	100 1/4	
4th ext gold 5s	1920 A-O			101 1/2	102 1/2	Oct '13	101	103 1/2	
5th ext gold 4s	1928 J-D			90	100	Jan '12	100	103 1/2	
N Y L E & W 1st g 7s	1920 M-S			109	109	Aug '13	109	109	
Erie 1st con g 4s prior	1906 J-J			82 3/4	Sale	82 1/4	82 1/4		
Registered	1906 J-J			84	84	Aug '13	84	84	
1st consol gen lien g 4s	1906 J-J			70 3/4	Sale	70 3/4	71	29	
Registered	1906 J-J								
Penn coll tr g 4s	1951 F-A			89	90	89	89		
50-yr convy 4s A	1953 A-O			71 1/2	72 1/2	72	72		
do Series B	1953 A-O			69 1/2	70	69 1/2	69 1/2		
Buff N Y & Erie 1st 7s	1916 J-D			103 1/2	109 3/4	Nov '13	103 1/4	111	
Chic & Erie 1st gold 5s	1932 M-N			102 1/2	106 1/2	Nov '13	105 1/4	111	
Clev & Mahon Val g 6s	1938 J-J			101	109 1/2	May '12	102	124	
Long Dock consol g 6s	1935 A-O			121	122	J'ne '13	122	124	
Coal & RR 1st ext g 6s	1922 M-N			99	107 1/2	Oct '13	100 1/2	102	
Dock & Imp 1st ext g 5s	1943 J-J			100 1/2	101 1/2	100 1/2	101 1/2		
N Y & Green L gu g 5s	1946 M-N			98	98 1/2	Aug '12	98	101 1/2	
N Y Sus & W 1st ref 5s	1937 J-J			74	90	100 1/4	Dec '08	95	101 1/2
2d gold 4 1/2s	1937 F-A			70	78 1/2	107 3/8	Feb '13	81	87
General gold 5s	1940 F-A			102 1/2	108	107 3/8	107 3/8		
Terminal 1st gold 5s	1943 M-N			99	111 1/2	May '12	93	99	
Mid of N J 1st ext 5s	1940 A-O			94	97 3/4	94 1/2	Nov '13	93	99
Wilks & Ba 1st gu g 5s	1942 J-D			101	107 1/2	106	May '12	104	104
Ev & Ind 1st con gu g 6s	1926 J-J			104	105	104	104		
Evans & T H 1st cons 6s	1921 J-J			100 1/2	100 1/2	100	100		
1st general gold 5s	1942 A-O			108	108	Nov '11	98 3/4	101 1/2	
Mt Vernon 1st gold 6s	1923 A-O			95	95	J'ne '12	92	96 3/4	
Sull Co Branch 1st g 5s	1930 A-O			92 1/4	94	Oct '13	92	96 3/4	
Florida B Const 1st 4 1/2s	1959 J-D			54	66	63 1/2	Nov '13	63 1/2	76 1/2
Port U D Co 1st g 4 1/2s	1941 J-J								
Ft W & Rio Gr 1st g 4s	1928 J-J								
Great Northern									
O B & Q coll trust 4s	1921 J-J			94	Sale	93 3/4	94 1/2	102	
Registered	1921 J-J			95	95	93 3/4	93 3/4	14	
1st & refunding 4 1/2s ser A	1961 J-J			93	100	95 3/4	95 3/4	98 3/4	
Registered	1961 J-J			95 1/2	94 1/2	J'ne '13	95	95 1/2	
St Paul M & Man 4s	1933 J-J			118 1/2	119	Oct '12	118	124 1/2	
1st consol gold 6s	1933 J-J			115	117 1/2	Aug '13	117 1/2	119 1/2	
Registered	1933 J-J			101	101	Nov '13	99 1/2	104 1/2	
Reduced to gold 4 1/2s	1933 J-J			99	108 3/4	J'ne '09			
Registered	1933 J-J								

N. Y. STOCK EXCHANGE		Bonds		Price		Week's		Range	
Week Ending Nov. 28		Nov. 28		Range or Last Sale		Since Jan. 1		Since Jan. 1	
		Bid	Ask	Low	High	No.	Low	High	
St P M & M (Continued)									
Mont ext 1st gold 4s	1937 J-D	93 1/2	Sale	93 1/2	93 1/2				
Registered	1937 J-D	91 1/2	94 1/2	92	J'ne '11				
Pacific ext guar 4s f.	1940 J-J			87 1/2	87 1/2	Mch '11			
E Minn Nor Div 1st g 4s	1948 A-O			90 1/2	95	97	Sep '12		
Minn Union 1st g 6s	1922 J-J			108 3/8	114 1/2	Apr '12			
Mont C 1st gu 6s	1937 J-J			118 1/2	120 1/2	J'y '13	120	124 1/2	
Registered	1937 J-J			105 1/4	105 1/4	May '06			
1st guar gold 5s	1937 J-J								
Registered	1937 J-J			104 1/2	104 1/2	J'ne '13	104 1/2	110	
Will & S P 1st gold 5s	1938 J-D	</							



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N. Y. STOCK EXCHANGE				N. Y. STOCK EXCHANGE				N. Y. STOCK EXCHANGE						
Week Ending Nov. 28.				Week Ending Nov. 28.				Week Ending Nov. 28.						
N. Y. STOCK EXCHANGE	Interest	Price	Week's Range or Last Sale	Range Since Jan. 1	N. Y. STOCK EXCHANGE	Interest	Price	Week's Range or Last Sale	Range Since Jan. 1	N. Y. STOCK EXCHANGE	Interest	Price	Week's Range or Last Sale	Range Since Jan. 1
Manila RR—Sou lines 4s	1036	M-N	75	77	Mch '10					N Y New Haven & Hartf—				
Mex Internat 1st con g 4s	1877	M-S	75	77	Nov '10					Non-conv debent 4s	1955	J-J	79	Oct '13
Stamped guaranteed	1977	M-S	108	124	Oct '12					Non-conv 4s	1956	M-N	76 1/2	77 Nov '13
Pac & St L 1st gold 7s	1921	A-O	100 1/4	108	Aug '11					Conv debenture 3 1/2 s	1956	J-J	68 1/2	68 1/2
1st consol gold 5s	1934	M-N	88 1/2	90	Nov '13					Conv debenture 3 1/2 s	1948	J-J	108 1/2	108 1/2
1st and refund gold 4s	1949	M-S	50	54	51	12	50	62 1/2		20-yr conv deb 6s (wh iss)	1948	J-J	103 1/2	103 1/2
Des M & Ft D 1st gu 4s	1935	J-J	91	92 1/2	Dec '12					Harlem R-Pt Ches 1st 4s	1954	M-N	99 1/2	Nov '12
M St P & S M con g 4s int gu	1938	J-J	91	92 1/2	Nov '13					B & N Y Air Line 1st 4s	1955	F-A	80 1/2	Oct '13
1st Chic Terminals 4s	1941	M-N	91	93 1/2	Mch '11					Cent New Eng 1st gu 4s	1961	J-J	85 1/2	85 1/2
M S S & A 1st g 4s int gu	1926	J-J	91	93 1/2	Nov '13					Housatonic R cons g 5s	1937	M-N	104 1/2	110
Mississippi Central 1st 5s	1949	J-J	91	93 1/2	Mch '11					N Y Ches & B 1st ser 1 1/2 s 4s	1946	M-N	77	80
Mo Kan & Tex 1st gold 4s	1990	J-D	88 1/2	90	Nov '13					N H & Darby cons cy 5s	1945	J-J	98	107
2d gold 4s	1990	F-A	88 1/2	90	Nov '13					New Eng land cons 5s	1945	J-J	98	107
1st ext gold 5s	1944	M-N	88 1/2	90	Nov '13					Providence Secur deb 4s	1957	M-N	72	83 1/2
1st & refund 4s	2004	M-S	88 1/2	90	Nov '13					N Y O & W ref 1st g 4s	1992	M-S	85 1/2	85 1/2
Gen sinking fund 4 1/2 s	2001	A-O	96	100	Nov '13					Registered \$5,000 only	1992	M-S	92 1/2	92 1/2
St Louis Div 1st ref g 4s	2001	A-O	96	100	Nov '13					General 4s	1955	J-D	83	89 1/2
Dal & Wa 1st gu g 5s	1990	F-A	102 1/2	106	Nov '13					Norfolk Sou 1st & ref A 5s	1961	F-A	92	95
Kan O & Pac 1st g 4s	1942	A-O	102 1/2	106	Nov '13					Norfolk Sou 1st gold 5s	1941	M-N	98	100
Mo K & E 1st gu g 5s	1942	A-O	99 1/2	101 1/4	Oct '13					Norfolk West gen gold 6s	1931	M-N	116 1/2	119 1/2
M K & T of 1st gu g 5s	1942	M-S	98 1/2	99	Oct '13					Improvement & ext g 6s	1934	F-A	117 1/2	123
M K & T of 1st gu g 5s	1942	M-S	98 1/2	99	Oct '13					New River 1st gold 6s	1932	A-O	116 1/2	115 1/2
Sh Sh & So 1st gu g 5s	1942	J-D	96 1/2	104	May '13					N & W Ry 1st cons g 4s	1996	A-O	93 1/2	93 1/2
Texas & Okla 1st gu g 5s	1943	M-S	99	101 1/2	Mch '13					Registered	1996	A-O	98	98
Missouri Pac 1st cons g 6s	1920	M-N	95 1/2	103	Nov '13					Div 1st & gen g 4s	1944	J-J	88	90
Trust gold 5s stamped	1917	M-S	95 1/2	103	Nov '13					10-25-year conv 4s	1932	J-D	102 1/2	104
Registered	1917	M-S	95 1/2	103	Nov '13					Convertible 4 1/2 s	1932	M-S	103 1/2	103 1/2
1st collateral gold 5s	1920	F-A	92 1/2	94 1/2	Nov '13					Pocatello & C joint 4s	1941	J-J	88 1/2	89 1/2
Registered	1920	F-A	92 1/2	94 1/2	Nov '13					Sci V & N E 1st gu g 4s	1922	J-J	100 1/2	105 1/2
40-year gold loan 4s	1945	M-S	65	65	May '11					Sci V & N E 1st gu g 4s	1939	M-N	90	92 1/2
3d 7s extended at 4%	1938	M-N	77 1/2	77 1/2	Nov '13					Northern Pacific prior 1 1/2 s	1997	Q-Q	92 1/2	93 1/2
1st & ref conv 5s	1959	M-S	89	89	Nov '13					Registered	1997	Q-Q	94 1/2	94 1/2
Cent Br Ry 1st gu g 4s	1919	J-D	72	76	Sep '13					General lien gold 3s	2007	Q-F	66 1/2	66 1/2
Cent Br U 1st g 4s	1926	J-D	72	76	Sep '13					Registered	2007	Q-F	65	65
Leroy & O V A 1st g 5s	1926	J-D	85	88 1/2	Nov '13					St Paul-Duluth Div g 4s	1990	J-D	87	89 1/2
Pac R of Mo 1st g 4s	1938	F-A	98 1/2	101 1/4	Jan '13					Dul Short L 1st gu 5s	1916	M-S	110	112
2d extended gold 4s	1938	J-J	98 1/2	101 1/4	Jan '13					St P & N P gen gold 6s	1923	F-A	110	112
St L Gen M & S gen con g 5s	1931	A-O	101 1/2	101 1/2	Oct '12					Registered certificates	1923	Q-F	115 1/2	115 1/2
Gen con stamp gu g 5s	1931	A-O	101 1/2	101 1/2	Oct '12					St Paul & D-luth 1st 5s	1931	F-A	100 1/2	101
Unified & ref gold 4s	1929	J-J	75	77	Oct '12					1st consol gold 4s	1968	J-D	85	85
Registered	1929	J-J	75	77	Oct '12					Wash Cent 1st gold 4s	1948	Q-M	80	80
Riv & G Div 1st g 4s	1933	M-N	93 1/2	96	Jan '13					Nor Pac Term Co 1st g 6s	1933	J-J	86 1/2	86 1/2
Verdi V I & W 1st g 5s	1926	M-S	113 1/2	119 1/2	Nov '13					Orgon Wash 1st & ref 4s	1961	J-J	98 1/2	99
Mob & Ohio new gold 6s	1927	J-D	80	82	Oct '13					Pacific Coast Co 1st g 5s	1946	J-D	98	99
1st extension gold 6s	1927	J-D	80	82	Oct '13					Registered	1946	J-D	98	99
General gold 4s	1938	M-S	107 1/2	107 1/2	Jan '13					Pennsylvania RR—				
Montgom Div 1st g 5s	1947	F-A	95	95	Nov '13					1st ext gold 4s	1923	M-N	96	98 1/2
St Louis Div 5s	1927	J-D	88 1/2	90	Nov '13					Consol gold 5s	1919	M-S	104	110
St L & Cairo guar 4s	1931	J-J	104 1/2	105 1/2	Nov '13					Consol gold 4s	1943	M-N	99	99 1/2
Nashville Ch & St L 1st 5s	1928	J-J	102 1/2	105 1/2	Nov '13					Convertible gold 3 1/2 s	1915	J-D	97 1/2	97 1/2
Jasper Branch 1st g 6s	1923	J-J	102 1/2	105 1/2	Nov '13					Registered	1915	J-D	96 1/2	96 1/2
MCM M W & A 1st 5s	1917	J-J	102 1/2	105 1/2	Nov '13					Consol gold 4s	1948	M-N	98 1/2	98 1/2
T & P Branch 1st 5s	1917	J-J	102 1/2	105 1/2	Nov '13					Alleg Val gen guar 4s	1942	M-S	100 1/2	95
Nat Ry of Tex prior lien 4 1/2 s	1957	J-J	62 1/2	75	Nov '13					D R R R & B'ge 1st gu 4s g 3/8	F-A	87 1/2	100	
Guaranteed general 4s	1977	A-O	62 1/2	75	Nov '13					Phila Balt & W 1st g 4s	1943	M-N	98 1/2	99 1/2
Nat of Mex prior lien 4 1/2 s	1926	J-J	42 1/2	44 1/2	Aug '13					Sod Bay & Sou 1st g 5s	1924	J-J	102	102
1st consol 4s	1951	A-O	42 1/2	44 1/2	Aug '13					Sunbury & Lewis 1st g 4s	1936	J-J	90	90
NO Mob & Chic 1st ref 5s	1960	J-J	104	101 1/2	Oct '13					U N J RR & Can gen 4s	1944	M-N	98	101 1/2
NO & N K prior lien g 6s	1915	A-O	81 1/2	82	Oct '13					Pennsylvania Co—				
New Orleans Term 1st 4s	1958	J-J	81 1/2	82	Oct '13					Guar 1st g 4 1/2 s	1921	J-J	100 1/2	100 1/2
NY Central & H R g 3 1/2 s	1997	J-J	81 1/2	82	Oct '13					Guar 3 1/2 col trust reg	1921	J-J	101	101
Registered	1997	J-J	81 1/2	82	Oct '13					Guar 3 1/2 col trust ser B	1941	F-A	83 1/2	83 1/2
Debtenture gold 4s	1934	M-N	87	88 1/2	Nov '13					Trust Co cdfs gu g 3 1/2 s	1916	M-N	98	97 1/2
Registered	1934	M-N	87	88 1/2	Nov '13					Guar 3 1/2 trust cdfs C	1942	J-D	82 1/2	84 1/2
Lake Shore coll g 3 1/2 s	1993	F-A	77	78 1/2	Nov '13					Guar 3 1/2 trust cdfs D	1944	J-D	84 1/2	85
Registered	1993	F-A	77	78 1/2	Nov '13					Gen 15-25-year g 4s	1931	A-O	90 1/2	92 1/2
Midn Cent coll gold 3 1/2 s	1998	F-A	76	77 1/2	May '13					Cin Leb & Nor gu 4s g	1942	M-N	96 1/2	92 1/2
Registered	1998	F-A	76	77 1/2	May '13					Cl & Mar 1st gu 4 1/2 s	1935	M-N	101 1/2	101 1/2
Beach Creek 1st gu g 4s	1936	J-J	90 1/2	92	Apr '13					Cl & P gen gu 4 1/2 s ser A	1942	J-J	101 1/2	101 1/2
Registered	1936	J-J	90 1/2	92	Apr '13					Series B	1942	A-O	101	109 1/2
Beach Creek 2d gu 4s	1936	J-J	90 1/2	92	Apr '13					Int reduced to 3 1/2 s	1942	A-O	85 1/2	91 1/2
Registered	1936	J-J	90 1/2	92	Apr '13					Series C 3 1/2 s	1948	M-N	84	90 1/2
Beach Creek 3d gu 4s	1936	J-J	90 1/2	92	Apr '13					Series D 3 1/2 s	1950	F-A	83 1/2	86 1/2
Registered	1936	J-J	90 1/2	92	Apr '13					erie & Pitts gu g 3 1/2 s B	1940	J-J	86	86 1/2
Beach Creek 4th gu 4s	1936	J-J	90 1/2	92	Apr '13					Series C	1940	J-J	95	101 1/2
Registered	1936	J-J	90 1/2	92	Apr '13					Gen & L ex 1st gu g 4 1/2 s	1941	J-J	97	109
Beach Creek 5th gu 4s	1936	J-J	90 1/2	92	Apr '13					Pitts V & Ash 1st cons 5s	1927	M-N	101	107
Registered	1936	J-J	90 1/2	92	Apr '13					Tol W V & O gu 4 1/2 s A	1931	J-J	97	102 1/2
Beach Creek 6th gu 4s	1936	J-J	90 1/2	92	Apr '13					Series B 4 1/2 s	1933	J-J	97	102 1/2
Registered	1936	J-J	90 1/2	92	Apr '13					Series C 4 1/2 s	1942	M-S	95 1/2	95 1/2
Beach Creek 7th gu 4s	1936	J-J	90 1/2	92	Apr '13					P O C & St L gu 4 1/2 s A	1940	A-O	99 1/2	100 1/2
Registered	1936	J-J	90 1/2	92	Apr '13					Series B guar	1942	A-O	99 1/2	100 1/2
Beach Creek 8th gu 4s	1936	J-J	90 1/2	92	Apr									







Table with multiple columns: STOCKS—HIGHEST AND LOWEST SALE PRICES (Saturday Nov. 23 to Friday Nov. 28), Sales of the Week Shares, STOCKS CHICAGO STOCK EXCHANGE (Railroads, Miscellaneous), Range for Year 1913 (Lowest, Highest), Range for Previous Year (1912) (Lowest, Highest). Lists various stocks like Chicago Elev Eys com, American Rad, etc.

Chicago Banks and Trust Companies

Table with columns: NAME, Capital Stock, Surp. & Profits, Dividend Record (In 1911, In 1912, Per. tod., Last Paid., % Bid., Ask.). Lists banks like American State, Calumet National, Capital State, etc.

Table with columns: NAME, Capital Stock, Surp. & Profits, Dividend Record (In 1911, In 1912, Per. tod., Last Paid., % Bid., Ask.). Lists companies like Southwest Tr & S, Standard Tr & Sav, etc.

Chicago Bond Record

Table with columns: BONDS CHICAGO STOCK EXCHANGE, Week ending Nov. 28., Interest period, Price Friday Nov. 28., Week's Range or Last Sale, E'ds Sold, Range for Year 1913 (Low, High, No., Low, High). Lists bonds like Am Tel & Tel co, Armour & Co, etc.

\* Bid and asked prices; no sales were made on this day. † Aug. 9 (close of business) for national banks and Aug. 11 (opening of business) for State institutions. ‡ New price Friday; latest price this week. § Sept. 1 1911. ¶ Dividends not published; stock all acquired by the Continental & Commercial National Bank. \*\* Due Dec. 31. †† Due June. ‡‡ Due Feb. §§ Due Jan. 1. ¶¶ Extra div. ¶¶¶ Capital increased from \$600,000 in September 1913, the October 1913 div. of 1 1/2% being first div. on new capital. ¶¶¶¶ V. 97, p. 155. ¶¶¶¶¶ New stock. ¶¶¶¶¶¶ I. June 5. ¶¶¶¶¶¶¶ August 29 1913. ¶¶¶¶¶¶¶¶ Sales reported beginning April 13. ¶¶¶¶¶¶¶¶¶ Dividends are paid Q.-J., with extra payments Q.-F. ¶¶¶¶¶¶¶¶¶¶ June 4. ¶¶¶¶¶¶¶¶¶¶¶ Dec. 31 1912. ¶¶¶¶¶¶¶¶¶¶¶¶ Ex 2 1/2% accumulated dividend. ¶¶¶¶¶¶¶¶¶¶¶¶¶ Increase in capital to \$400,000 authorized Sept. 24, a cash div. of 7 1/2% to be declared in connection therewith. ¶¶¶¶¶¶¶¶¶¶¶¶¶ V. 97, p. 1000, 574. ¶¶¶¶¶¶¶¶¶¶¶¶¶¶ Aug. 22 1913. ¶¶¶¶¶¶¶¶¶¶¶¶¶¶¶ Capital increased to \$300,000; V. 97, p. 705. ¶¶¶¶¶¶¶¶¶¶¶¶¶¶¶ Oct. 21 1913. ¶¶¶¶¶¶¶¶¶¶¶¶¶¶¶ Oct. 22 1913.



SHARE PRICES—NOT PER CENTUM PRICES						Sales of the Week Shares		STOCKS BOSTON STOCK EXCHANGE		Range—Since Jan. 1 On basis of 100-share lots		Range for Previous Year 1912		
Saturday Nov. 22	Monday Nov. 24	Tuesday Nov. 25	Wednesday Nov. 26	Thursday Nov. 27	Friday Nov. 28					Lowest	Highest	Lowest	Highest	
92 1/4	92 1/4	*91 5/8	91 7/8	92 1/4	92 1/4	*92 1/8	92 3/8	110	Atch Top & Santa Fe	100	91 1/2 Oct 16	108 1/4 Jan 2	103 3/8 Feb	111 1/4 Oct
*97	97 1/4	*97 3/4	98 1/8	*97 3/4	98 1/8	*97 3/4	98 1/8	100	Do	100	95 1/4 July 9	101 1/4 Feb 4	101 1/4 Feb	104 1/4 Feb
200 1/2	200 1/2	*200 1/2	*200 1/2	*200 1/2	*200 1/2	*200 1/2	*200 1/2	100	Boston & Albany	100	180 Apr 30	215 Jan 2	211 1/2 Sep	222 1/2 Apr
*84	85	84	84	84 5/8	84 5/8	84 5/8	85	178	Boston Elevated	100	82 Nov 5	114 1/4 Jan 30	112 Dec	134 1/2 Mch
180	176	176	176	173	173	173	178	100	Boston & Lowell	100	176 Nov 24	235 Jan 27	202 Nov	213 Jan
49 1/2	50	49 1/2	49 3/4	49 1/2	50	50	50	675	Boston & Maine	100	48 1/2 Nov 10	97 Jan 3	94 Dec	100 1/4 Jan
*7	15	*7	15	*7	15	*7	15	2	Boston & Providence	100	250 May 11	290 Jan 3	290 Dec	300 Apr
*60	66	*60	66	*60	66	*60	66	161 1/2	Boston Suburban El Cos.	100	7 Sep 2	16 1/2 Oct 31	10 Dec	11 May
*38	40	*39	40	*39	40	*39	40	57 1/2	Do	100	57 1/2 June 6	65 Mch 7	70 Dec	80 June
*162	164	*162	164	*162	164	*162	164	61 1/2	Boston & Worcester	100	5 Feb 25	7 1/4 Mch 6	7 Dec	12 1/2 Jan
*104 1/2		104 1/2	104	103 1/2	103 1/2	103 1/2	103 1/2	39	Do	100	39 Oct 29	45 Jan 24	50 Aug 5	57 Jan
*119		95	91 1/2	91 1/2	91 1/2	91 1/2	91 1/2	61 1/2	Chic June Ry & USY	100	162 Sep 29	166 Feb 14	165 May	170 Jan
*85	87	*85	87	*85	87	*85	87	101	Do	100	101 1/2 June 20	107 Mch 6	107 1/2 Oct	112 June
98	98	*98	98	*98	98	*98	98	200	Connecticut River	100	200 July 9	260 Jan 13	260 July	272 Jan
*11	12	11	11	*10 1/2	11	*10 1/2	11	85	Fitchburg pref.	100	85 Nov 28	122 Feb 8	119 Dec	128 Jan
65	65	63 1/4	64	64 1/2	64 1/2	64 1/2	64 1/2	5	Ga Ry & Elec stmpd	100	215 Aug 8	128 Feb 10	124 June	129 Apr
76	76 1/2	76 1/2	77	77 1/2	77 1/2	77 1/2	78 1/2	3	Do	100	82 Nov 19	110 Mch 10	83 Dec	91 1/2 Jan
*85	90	*83	87	*85	90	*85	90	179	Maine Central	100	11 Nov 24	19 1/2 Feb 5	18 Dec	18 Feb
*167		167	167	167	167	167	167	1,291	Mass Electric Cos.	100	63 1/2 Nov 24	79 Feb 5	73 1/2 Dec	83 Feb
*26	30 1/2	*26	31	26	31	26	31	23,614	N Y N H & Hartford	100	75 1/2 Nov 15	130 Jan 9	126 Dec	143 1/2 Apr
*149 1/2	149 1/2	*150	150	*151 1/2	151 1/2	*151 1/2	151 1/2	20	Do	100	103 Nov 26	130 Feb 21	123 1/2 Oct	143 Jan
*81	81 1/2	*81	81 1/2	*81 1/2	82	*81 1/2	82	20	Old Colony	100	153 June 21	176 1/2 Feb 11	174 1/2 Oct	187 Jan
*67 1/2	67 1/2	*67 3/4	69	*68	69	*68	69	100	Rutland, pref.	100	25 Aug 28	33 Mch 26	41 Jan	70 Jan
*90		90	90	90	90	90	90	100	Utah Pacific	100	139 1/2 June 12	162 1/4 Jan 6	152 Dec	170 1/2 Sep
*42 1/4	43	42	42 1/4	42	42 1/4	42 1/4	43 1/8	106	Do	100	80 1/2 June 10	100 1/2 Jan 9	89 1/2 Sep	93 1/2 Dec
90 3/4	90 3/4	90	90 3/4	90 3/4	91	90 3/4	90 3/4	106	Vermont & Mass.	100	127 Sep 6	150 Feb 27	150 Dec	164 Jan
*2 1/2	3	*2 1/2	3	*2 1/2	2 1/2	*2 1/2	2 1/2	47	West End St.	50	67 1/2 Nov 22	81 1/2 Feb 5	80 Oct	84 1/2 Feb
*16 1/2	17	*16 1/2	17	*16 1/2	17	*16 1/2	17	229	Do	50	85 July 15	100 Jan 3	96 Nov	103 1/2 Mch
108 1/2	108 3/8	108 3/8	108 1/2	108 1/2	108 1/2	108 1/2	108 1/2	188	Amer Agricul Chem.	100	41 Sep 4	57 Jan 11	54 Dec	63 1/4 Mch
114	114	113 1/2	114	114	114 1/2	114	114 1/2	158	Do	100	90 Nov 11	99 1/2 Jan 2	98 Dec	105 Mch
118 1/2	118 1/2	118 1/2	119	118 3/4	119	118 3/4	119	50	Amer Pneu Service	50	2 1/2 June 11	4 1/2 Jan 3	3 Aug	5 1/4 June
75 1/2	75 1/2	75 1/2	75 1/2	75 1/2	75 1/2	75 1/2	75 1/2	159	Do	50	16 Nov 8	23 1/4 Jan 11	14 Mch	24 1/2 Nov
*60		60	60	60	60	60	60	165	Amer Sugar Refin.	100	105 June 12	118 1/2 Jan 3	113 1/2 Dec	133 1/2 May
*97		*97	100	*97	100	*97	100	2,958	Do	100	110 June 9	117 1/4 Feb 1	114 1/4 Dec	123 1/2 Aug
*5	8 1/4	*5	8 1/4	*5	8 1/4	*5	8 1/4	17 3/4	America Woolen	100	118 Nov 10	140 1/2 Jan 3	137 1/2 Jan	149 Mch
*16	16 1/4	*16	16 1/4	*16	16 1/4	*16	16 1/4	52	Do	100	16 1/2 May 28	21 Apr 30	22 Nov	30 Mch
*10 1/4	11	*10 1/4	10 3/4	*10 1/4	11	*10 1/4	11	159	Amesque Manufacturing	100	74 May 7	83 1/2 Sep 23	79 Nov	84 1/4 Mch
*260 1/2		260 1/2	261	260 1/2	264	260 1/2	264	100	Do	100	59 May 27	75 Jan 13	75 Nov	84 May
139	139	138	139 3/4	137 1/2	138 1/2	138 1/2	138 3/4	100	Atl Gulf & W I S S L	100	92 1/2 July 28	100 Jan 24	99 1/4 June	105 Mch
99	100	99	100	100	100	99	100	141	Do	100	10 Jan 7	12 1/2 Aug 25	5 Aug	9 Feb
91 1/2	91 1/2	91 1/2	91 3/4	91 1/2	91 1/2	91 1/2	91 1/2	60	East Boston Land	10	9 June 5	15 Feb 8	10 1/2 Aug	10 1/2 May
*91	91 1/2	*91	91 1/2	*91	91 1/2	*91	91 1/2	261	Edison Elec Illum.	100	257 June 6	288 1/2 Jan 10	272 1/2 Sep	300 Mch
*215 1/4	216 1/2	*215 1/4	215 3/4	*215 1/4	216 1/2	*215 1/4	216 1/2	135 1/2	General Electric	100	130 June 10	136 1/2 Jan 2	155 Jan	189 Dec
25	30	25	30	25	30	25	30	99	McClwain (WH) lpf 100	100	95 May 26	104 Jan 13	103 Apr	107 Jan
*68		68	68	68	68	68	68	91 1/2	Massachusetts Gas Cos	100	87 Apr 28	93 1/2 Jan 22	88 1/2 July	95 Oct
*133	134	*133 1/2	134	*133 1/2	134	*133 1/2	134	91	Morganthaler Lino.	100	209 June 14	220 Sep 4	214 1/2 Dec	229 Aug
151	151	152	152	152	152	152	152	25	Mexican Telephone	10	3 Jan 16	3 1/2 Feb 8	2 1/2 Mch	4 1/2 June
*15 1/2	16	*15 1/2	15 3/4	*15 1/2	16	*15 1/2	16	6	N E Cotton Yarn	100	17 Apr 9	50 Apr 2	50 Dec	105 Jan
104 1/4	105	105	105	105	105	105	105	26	N E Telephone	100	63 1/2 Apr 7	69 1/2 Jan 11	60 Oct	107 Mch
26 1/2	27	26 1/2	26 1/2	26 1/2	27	26 1/2	27	133	Pullman Co	100	133 Nov 1	160 Jan 11	148 1/2 Dec	164 Mch
*26 1/2	27	*26 1/2	26 1/2	*26 1/2	27	*26 1/2	27	152	Reece Button-Hole	100	165 1/2 Sep 5	165 1/2 Jan 2	158 Feb	171 Apr
1	1 1/8	1	1	.99	.99	1	1 1/8	105	Swift & Co.	100	101 June 12	108 Mch 5	98 1/2 Jan	109 1/2 Sep
153	154	153	153 1/2	153	154	153	154 1/2	11	Torrington	25	26 Sep 15	28 1/2 Jan 15	27 May	32 Jan
48	48	47 1/2	47 1/2	47 1/2	48	47 1/2	47 1/2	90	Do	25	26 Sep 25	28 1/2 Jan 20	28 Jan	31 Apr
27 1/2	28	27 1/2	28	27 1/2	28	27 1/2	28	1,250	United Copper L & M	25	3 June 6	2 Jan 4	35 Jan	34 Apr
55	55	54 1/2	55 1/4	55 1/2	55 1/4	55	55 1/4	514	United Fruit	100	147 June 24	182 Jan 3	174 Sep	208 1/2 June
*105	105 1/2	*104 1/2	105	*104 1/2	105	*104 1/2	105	512	Un shoe Mach Corp.	25	41 1/2 June 10	55 1/2 Feb 4	40 1/4 Jan	57 1/2 Aug
*11 1/4	14	*11 1/4	11 1/2	*11 1/4	11 1/2	*11 1/4	11 1/2	275	Do	25	26 1/2 June 24	28 1/2 Feb 3	27 1/2 Dec	29 1/2 Sep
250	250	230	245	230	230	235	240	4,431	U S Steel Corp.	100	50 June 11	69 Jan 2	58 1/2 Feb	80 1/2 Sep
18	18 1/2	18 1/2	19 1/2	18 1/2	19 1/2	18 1/2	19 1/2	22	Do	100	102 1/2 June 10	111 Jan 30	107 1/2 Feb	116 1/2 Oct
*1	1 1/8	*1	1 1/8	*1	1 1/8	*1	1 1/8	25	Adventure Con.	25	1 May 12	6 Jan 4	5 Dec	11 1/4 Apr
31 1/2	32	*30 1/2	31 1/2	30 1/2	31	30 1/2	30 1/2	69	Almeek	25	230 Nov 24	330 Jan 3	390 Apr	370 July
68 1/2	68 1/2	68 1/2	68 1/2	69 1/2	70 1/2	69 1/2	70 1/2	9,603	Alaska Gold	100	63 1/2 June 10	24 1/2 Oct 2	24 1/2 Oct	24 1/2 Oct
16 1/2	16 1/2	16 1/2	16 1/2	16 1/2	16 1/2	16 1/2	16 1/2	25	Algoma Mining	25	15 May 20	21 Jan 3	21 Dec	21 Dec
4 1/4	4 1/4	4 1/4	4 1/4	4 1/4	4 1/4	4 1/4	4 1/4	315	Allouez	25	29 1/2 June 11	42 1/2 Jan 3	35 Dec	50 1/2 June
*4 1/2	4 1/2	*4 1/2	4 1/2	*4 1/2	4 1/2	*4 1/2	4 1/2	3,749	Amalgamated Copper	100	62 June 10	80 1/2 Sep 16	60 Feb	92 1/2 Oct
26 1/2	27 1/4	26 1/2	27 1/4	26 1/2	27 1/4	26 1/2	27 1/4	510	Am Zinc Lead & Sm.	25	16 Nov 26	32 1/2 Feb 10	24 1/2 Feb	35 Oct
400	401	390	400	390	400	390	400	975	Arizona Commercial	5	2 1/4 June 6	5 1/2 Sep 17	2 Jan	6 1/4 Apr
*12 1/2	13	*12 1/2	13	*12 1/2	13	*12 1/2	13	123	Bos & Corb Cop & Sillm	5	5 June 5	7 Feb 3	4 1/2 Dec	9 1/4 June
37 1/4	37 1/4	37 1/4	37 1/4	37 1/4	37 1/4	37 1/4	37 1/4	1,280	Butte-Balaklava Cop	10	11 July 14	6 Oct 28	2 1/2 July	5 1/4 Apr
24 1/2	24 1/2	24 1/2	24 1/2	24 1/2	24 1/2	24 1/2	24 1/2	7,665	Butte & Sup Cop (Ltd)	10	18 1/4 June 10	45 Jan 2	19 1/2 Feb	51 3/4 June
9 1/4	10	9 1/4	10 1/8	9 1/4	10	9 1/4	10	784	Calumet & Arizona	10	56 1/2 June 11	72 1/2 Jan 2	57 1/2 Feb	83 1/2 Aug
*3	3 1/2	*3	3 1/2	*3	3 1/2	*3	3 1/2	55	Calumet & Hecla	25	390 Nov 24	655 Jan 2	405 Feb	615



Main table containing Boston Stock Exchange and Boston Bond Exchange data. Columns include Bond Description, Price, Week's Range, and Range Since Jan. 1.

NOTE.—Buyer pays accrued interest in addition to the purchase price for all Boston bonds. \* No price Friday; latest bid and asked. † Flat prices.

Philadelphia and Baltimore Stock Exchanges—Stock Record, Daily, Weekly, Yearly

Large table with multiple columns for Philadelphia and Baltimore stock prices. Includes sub-sections for 'SHARE PRICES—NOT PER CENTUM PRICES', 'ACTIVE STOCKS', and detailed price lists for both cities.

\* Bid and asked; no sales on this day. † Ex-dividend. ‡ \$15 paid. § \$17½ paid.



Volume of Business at Stock Exchanges

TRANSACTIONS AT THE NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE DAILY, WEEKLY AND YEARLY.

Table showing transactions at the New York Stock Exchange daily, weekly, and yearly. Columns include Week ending, Stocks (Shares, Par Value), Railroad, State Bonds, and U.S. Bonds.

Table showing sales at the New York Stock Exchange for 1913 and 1912. Columns include Stocks-No. shares, Par value, Bank shares, Government bonds, State bonds, RR. and misc. bonds, and Total bonds.

DAILY TRANSACTIONS AT THE BOSTON AND PHILADELPHIA EXCHANGES.

Table showing daily transactions at the Boston and Philadelphia exchanges. Columns include Week ending, Boston (Listed Shares, Unlisted Shares, Bond Sales), and Philadelphia (Listed Shares, Unlisted Shares, Bond Sales).

Inactive and Unlisted Securities

All bond prices are now "and interest" except where marked "f."

Large table listing inactive and unlisted securities. Columns include Street Railways, Bid, Ask, and various security names like Atlantic Refining, Standard Oil, and others.

Table listing various securities and companies. Columns include Bid, Ask, and company names such as American Telephone, Standard Oil, and others.

Footnote explaining abbreviations: b, Per share. a, And accrued dividend. d, Basis. l, Listed on Stock Exchange but usually inactive. /, Flat price. n, Nominal. s, Sale price. n, New stock. s, Ex-div. y, Ex-rights. z, Includes all new stock dividends and subscriptions. /, Listed on Stock Exchange but infrequently dealt in; record of sales. f, n, y, will be found on a preceding page. A, Ex-300% stock dividend.



Investment and Railroad Intelligence.

RAILROAD GROSS EARNINGS.

The following table shows the gross earnings of every STEAM railroad from which regular weekly or monthly returns can be obtained. The first two columns of figures give the gross earnings for the latest week or month, and the last two columns the earnings for the period from July 1 to and including the latest week or month. We add a supplementary statement to show the fiscal year totals of those roads whose fiscal year does not begin with July, but covers some other period. The returns of the electric railways are brought together separately on a subsequent page.

Main table of Railroad Gross Earnings with columns for Road, Week of Month, Current Year, Previous Year, July 1 to Latest Date (Current and Previous Year), and Latest Gross Earnings (Current and Previous Year).

AGGREGATES OF GROSS EARNINGS—Weekly and Monthly.

Summary table showing Weekly Summaries and Monthly Summaries with columns for Current Year, Previous Year, Increase or Decrease, and Percentage.

a Mexican currency. b Does not include earnings of Colorado Springs & Cripple Creek District Railway from Nov. 1 1911. c Includes the Boston & Albany, the New York & Ottawa, the St. Lawrence & Adirondack and the Ottawa & New York Railway, the latter of which, being a Canadian road, does not make returns to the Inter-State Commerce Commission. f Includes Evansville & Terre Haute and Evansville & Indiana RR. g Includes the Cleveland Lorain & Wheeling Ry. in both years. n Includes the Northern Ohio RR. p Includes earnings of Mason City & Ft. Dodge and Wisconsin Minnesota & Pacific. s Includes Louisville & Atlantic and the Frankfort & Cincinnati. t Includes the Mexican International. u Includes the Texas Central in both years and the Wichita Falls Lines in 1912, beginning Nov. 1. v Includes not only operating revenues, but also all other receipts. s Includes St. Louis Iron Mountain & Southern.



**Latest Gross Earnings by Weeks.**—In the table which follows we sum up separately the earnings for the third week of November. The table covers 33 roads and shows 1.44% decrease in the aggregate under the same week last year.

Third week of November.	1913.	1912.	Increase.	Decrease.
	\$	\$	\$	\$
Alabama Great Southern	106,567	98,594	7,973	-----
Buffalo Rochester & Pittsburgh	240,911	233,738	7,173	-----
Canadian Northern	608,000	561,500	46,500	-----
Canadian Pacific	3,119,000	2,704,000	415,000	-----
Chesapeake & Ohio	725,813	733,120	-----	7,307
Chicago & Alton	306,730	312,421	-----	5,691
Chicago Ind & Louisville	135,167	138,947	-----	3,780
Cinc New Ori & Texas Pac	218,663	196,035	22,628	-----
Colorado & Southern	286,800	362,981	-----	76,181
Denver & Rio Grande	501,200	526,000	-----	24,800
Western Pacific	135,000	132,000	3,000	-----
Detroit & Mackinac	24,005	21,131	2,874	-----
Dul South Shore & Atlantic	61,940	57,138	4,802	-----
Grand Trunk of Canada	-----	-----	-----	-----
Grand Trunk Western	1,080,010	1,053,798	26,212	-----
Detroit Gr Hay & Milw	-----	-----	-----	-----
Canada Atlantic	-----	-----	-----	-----
Internat & Great Northern	235,000	279,000	-----	44,000
Interoceanic of Mexico	164,884	172,074	-----	7,190
Louisville & Nashville	1,278,480	1,218,120	60,360	-----
Mineral Range	5,524	15,068	-----	9,544
Minneapolis & St Louis	203,147	229,007	-----	25,860
Iowa Central	-----	-----	-----	-----
Minneapolis St Paul & S S M	727,602	673,176	54,426	-----
Missouri Kansas & Texas	737,762	752,745	-----	14,983
Missouri Pacific	1,290,000	1,342,000	-----	52,000
Mobile & Ohio	254,390	243,074	11,316	-----
National Railways of Mexico	607,806	1,283,666	-----	675,860
St Louis Southwestern	300,000	292,000	8,000	-----
Southern Railway	1,430,037	1,401,490	28,547	-----
Texas & Pacific	474,346	452,970	21,376	-----
Toledo Peoria & Western	24,628	25,040	-----	412
Toledo St Louis & Western	102,315	99,624	2,691	-----
Total (33 roads)	15,385,727	15,610,457	722,878	947,608
Net decrease (1.44%)	-----	-----	-----	224,730

For the second week of November our final statement covers 41 roads and shows 4.12% decrease in the aggregate under the same week last year.

Second week of November.	1913.	1912.	Increase.	Decrease.
	\$	\$	\$	\$
Previously reported (33 roads)	14,844,695	15,535,820	390,422	1,081,547
Ann Arbor	42,096	43,042	-----	946
Chicago & Alton	291,595	317,941	-----	26,346
Chicago Great Western	320,430	308,111	12,319	-----
Duluth South Shore & Atlantic	57,401	60,741	-----	3,040
Georgia Southern & Florida	52,568	51,792	-----	776
Mexican Railway	188,600	172,000	16,600	-----
Mineral Range	4,377	16,529	-----	12,152
Seaboard Air Line	511,195	483,440	27,755	-----
Total (41 roads)	16,313,257	16,989,416	447,872	1,124,031
Net decrease (4.12%)	-----	-----	-----	676,159

**Net Earnings Monthly to Latest Dates.**—The table following shows the gross and net earnings of STEAM railroads and industrial companies reported this week:

Roads.	Gross Earnings		Net Earnings	
	Current Year.	Previous Year.	Current Year.	Previous Year.
Atch Top & S Fe. b	Oct 10,368,555	11,363,806	3,757,430	4,041,741
July 1 to Oct 31	38,984,263	39,979,231	13,394,454	13,793,737
Boston & Maine. b	Oct 4,351,379	4,516,480	985,155	1,190,977
July 1 to Oct 31	17,552,472	17,740,297	4,397,194	5,290,056
Brazil Ry.	Sept 2,256,000	2,066,030	1,010,000	1,791,071
Jan 1 to Sept 30	22,072,334	21,906,535	10,749,000	11,282,282
Buffalo Roch & Pitts. b	Oct 1,140,411	1,053,603	354,801	319,866
July 1 to Oct 31	4,344,443	3,920,424	1,388,538	1,242,193
Canadian Northern	Oct 2,687,100	2,351,200	1,004,100	705,300
July 1 to Oct 31	8,435,600	7,598,200	2,451,900	1,994,200
Central of Georgia. b	Oct 1,605,613	1,443,301	615,815	538,787
July 1 to Oct 31	4,853,658	4,823,265	1,286,446	1,432,625
Chic & North West. a	Oct 8,523,493	8,431,908	2,759,421	2,840,788
July 1 to Oct 31	32,410,738	31,134,964	9,777,798	10,087,231
Chic St P M & O. a	Oct 1,856,241	1,807,987	576,360	632,642
July 1 to Oct 31	6,551,421	6,242,121	1,704,857	1,782,156
Colorado & Southern. b	Oct 1,273,179	1,528,349	339,431	570,731
July 1 to Oct 31	5,184,023	5,960,437	1,474,738	1,717,781
Detroit & Mackinac. a	Oct 114,708	111,895	31,538	27,131
July 1 to Oct 31	445,076	438,128	118,892	105,448
Fairchild & Northeast. b	Oct 2,626	2,394	747	de1,622
July 1 to Oct 31	9,992	8,862	811	de9,923
Minneapolis & St Louis. a	Oct 939,984	961,650	425,478	430,516
July 1 to Oct 31	3,406,963	3,449,587	1,664,646	1,029,105
Southern Pacific. a	Oct 13,512,897	13,915,714	4,935,813	5,270,799
July 1 to Oct 31	50,276,307	50,845,185	16,590,175	19,183,413
Union Pacific. a	Oct 10,354,504	9,687,569	4,648,310	4,369,611
July 1 to Oct 31	35,970,103	35,006,002	14,493,818	15,789,965
Virginian. a	Oct 705,626	519,502	366,628	220,252
July 1 to Oct 31	2,384,308	1,883,150	1,107,146	761,128
Wheeling & Lake Erie. b	Oct 857,288	808,631	291,618	283,118
July 1 to Oct 31	3,236,351	3,046,831	873,608	1,060,483
Wrightsv & Tennille. b	Oct 48,354	36,407	25,247	11,848
July 1 to Oct 31	121,728	105,038	44,816	21,075

**INDUSTRIAL COMPANIES.**

Companies.	Gross Earnings		Net Earnings	
	Current Year.	Previous Year.	Current Year.	Previous Year.
American Power & Lt (subsidiary companies)	Oct 510,237	450,674	240,288	201,596
May 1 to Oct 31	2,796,241	2,531,489	1,308,663	1,125,422
Atlantic Gulf & West Indies	Sept 1,533,310	1,316,863	169,933	103,990
Jan 1 to Sept 30	14,762,880	13,263,306	2,520,785	1,715,687
Keystone Telephone. a	Oct 106,335	103,798	51,226	51,150
Jan 1 to Oct 31	1,050,752	1,005,616	516,338	498,699
Northern Cal Power. a	Oct 79,223	71,517	53,655	37,145

a Net earnings here given are after deducting taxes.  
 b Net earnings here given are before deducting taxes.  
 c After allowing for outside operations and taxes, operating income for Oct. 1913 was \$572,916, against \$493,516; and from July 1 to Oct. 31 was \$1,113,853 in 1913, against \$1,253,161 last year.  
 For September taxes amounted to \$461,071, against \$389,120 in 1912; or deduct \$m; which, net for Oct. 1913 was \$3,296,359, against \$3,652,621 in 1912. From July 1 to Oct. 31 taxes were \$1,784,054 in 1913, against \$1,512,192 in 1912.

For October 1913 additional income showed a debit of \$10,978, against a debit of \$1,402 in 1912, and for the period from July 1 to Oct. 31 was a debit of \$18,114 in 1912, against a debit of \$20,369 last year.

**Interest Charges and Surplus.**

Roads.	Int., Rentals, &c.		Bal. of Net Earns.	
	Current Year.	Previous Year.	Current Year.	Previous Year.
Buffalo Roch & Pitts.	Oct 181,236	183,848	248,886	221,357
July 1 to Oct 31	730,126	716,446	2,918,683	2,788,809
Chicago & North West.	Oct 953,319	870,424	1,824,102	1,970,367
July 1 to Oct 31	3,515,281	3,403,837	6,262,517	6,683,392
Chic St P Minn & O.	Oct 228,480	205,761	347,880	426,881
July 1 to Oct 31	849,495	767,182	855,362	1,014,974
Colorado & Southern	Oct 294,406	282,688	286,330	232,394
July 1 to Oct 31	1,157,817	1,131,170	2,518,554	2,783,917

**INDUSTRIAL COMPANIES.**

Atlantic Gulf & West Indies	Sept 145,100	132,380	24,833	de28,390
SS Lines (sub cos)	Oct 1,306,742	1,183,222	1,214,043	532,465
Jan 1 to Sept 30	-----	-----	-----	-----
Keystone Telephone	Oct 25,868	25,256	25,358	25,894
Jan 1 to Oct 31	254,834	251,555	261,504	247,144
Northern Cal Power	Oct 29,187	28,105	24,468	9,040

x After allowing for other income received.

**ELECTRIC RAILWAY AND TRACTION COMPANIES**

Name of Road.	Week or Month.	Latest Gross Earnings.		Jan. 1 to latest date.	
		Current Year.	Previous Year.	Current Year.	Previous Year.
American Rys Co.	October	450,659	417,286	4,324,888	4,035,438
Atlantic Shore Ry.	October	25,420	29,274	323,510	314,388
Aur Elgin & Ch Ry.	September	182,597	182,851	1,507,509	1,436,290
Bangor Ry & Elec Co	October	68,454	62,964	633,070	588,014
Baton Rouge Elec Co	September	14,257	17,432	116,233	107,186
Belt L Ry Corp (NYC)	August	65,012	57,004	501,624	431,577
Berkshire Street Ry.	September	91,591	88,256	-----	-----
Brazilian Trac. L & P	October	1,988,398	1,770,187	19,578,162	16,954,854
Brook & Plym St Ry.	September	12,091	11,711	99,729	94,515
Bklyn Rap Tran Syst	August	2,285,878	2,251,548	16,644,210	16,223,584
Cape Breton Elec Ry	September	32,516	34,364	273,138	260,093
Chattanooga Ry & Lt	October	99,358	99,580	1,007,520	877,927
Cleve Painesv & East	September	43,185	40,240	326,711	305,602
Cleve Southw & Col.	September	114,659	109,713	939,426	877,712
Columbus (Ga) El Co	September	50,685	45,477	438,496	395,844
Coney Isl'd & Bklyn	August	191,584	183,008	1,178,819	1,103,253
Connecticut Co.	September	694,281	680,273	-----	-----
Dallas Electric Corp.	September	180,066	147,473	1,564,357	1,280,842
Detroit United Ry.	4th wk Oct	303,702	303,352	10,694,292	9,615,808
D D E B & Batt (rec)	August	49,816	51,545	402,436	415,089
Duluth-Superior Trac	October	110,047	73,835	1,056,565	888,426
East St Louis & Sub.	September	238,547	217,962	1,967,928	1,773,136
El Paso Electric Co.	September	73,683	70,434	643,833	566,052
42d St M & St N Ave	August	157,748	154,371	1,784,481	1,742,400
Galv-Houst Elec Co.	September	200,183	184,899	1,764,481	1,487,741
Grand Rapids Ry Co	September	107,960	109,592	967,498	924,245
Harrisburg Railways.	October	82,211	74,249	825,741	763,004
Havana El Ry. L & P (Railway Dept.)	Wk Nov 23	53,090	49,083	2,531,880	2,296,934
Honolulu Rapid Tran & Land Co.	September	51,227	49,372	460,508	414,473
Houghton Co Tr Co.	September	22,596	28,410	228,103	*232,122
Hudson & Manhattan	August	273,911	268,177	2,452,128	2,374,237
Illinois Traction	September	654,338	644,742	5,725,952	5,416,142
Interboro Rap Tran.	October	2854,893	2,919,937	26,902,926	26,358,288
Jacksonville Trac Co	September	55,357	49,956	499,240	449,080
Lake Shore Elec Ry.	September	133,404	125,742	1,075,872	998,520
Lehigh Valley Transit	October	145,647	126,735	1,396,444	1,209,684
Lewis Aug & Watery.	September	64,139	62,006	523,706	471,229
Long Island Electric.	August	30,817	28,473	172,517	152,912
Milw El Ry & Lt Co.	September	498,763	475,412	4,448,742	4,181,920
Milw St Louis & Tr Co.	September	138,873	125,043	1,086,338	941,520
Monongahela Val Tr.	October	87,393	77,837	758,832	705,450
Nashville Ry & Light	August	178,431	166,000	1,428,621	1,325,088
N Y City Interboro.	August	53,268	37,677	401,019	390,901
N Y & Long Isl Trac.	August	44,162	41,041	278,070	260,626
N Y & North Shore.	August	17,225	15,645	108,762	101,612
N Y & Queens Co.	August	133,075	130,458	938,938	890,721
New York Railways.	September	1214,051	1,169,395	10,571,601	10,281,135
N Y Westches & Bos.	September	34,480	22,098	-----	-----
N Y & Stamford Ry.	September	32,686	33,446	-----	-----
Norham Easton & W	September	17,047	16,601	142,527	136,181
North Ohio Trac & Lt	September	289,022	268,073	2,444,698	2,247,866
North Texas Elec Co	September	172,014	160,275	1,548,124	1,249,111
North Pennsylv Ry	September	31,844	31,529	282,285	258,719
Ocean Electric (L I)	August	36,644	34,100	122,065	112,914
Paducah Tr & Lt Co.	September	24,843	23,499	213,949	208,465
Pensacola Electric Co	September	23,307	23,815	211,371	212,272
Phila Rap Trans Co.	October	2113,530	2,093,814	20,080,572	19,208,775
Port (Ore) Ry L & P Co	October	574,524	565,839	5,540,021	5,484,589
Portland (Me) RR.	September	90,286	87,997		



Table with columns: Roads, Gross Earnings (Current Year, Previous Year), Net Earnings (Current Year, Previous Year). Rows include Citizens' Traction Co., Duluth-Superior Tract., Federal Lt & Traction, Interbor Rap Trans., Monongahela Val Tr., Pacific Gas & Electric, Philadelphia Co(Pitts), Twin City Rap Tran., Western Rys & Light.

a Net earnings here given are after deducting taxes. b Net earnings here given are before deducting taxes.

Interest Charges and Surplus.

Table with columns: Roads, Int., Rentals, &c. (Current Year, Previous Year), Bal. of Net Earns. (Current Year, Previous Year). Rows include Citizens' Traction Co., Duluth-Superior Tract., Interbor Rap Trans., Monongahela Vall Tr., Twin City Rap Tran., Western Rys & Light.

z After allowing for other income received.

New York Street Railways.

Table with columns: Roads, Gross Earnings (Current Year, Previous Year), Net Earnings (Current Year, Previous Year). Rows include Hudson & Manhattan, Interboro RT (Sub), Interboro RT (Elev), Total Interboro RT, Brooklyn RT, New York Railways, Belt Line, Second Ave., Thrd Ave., Dry Dock E B'y & Bat, 42d St Man & St N Av, N Y City Interboro, Southern Boulevard, Union, Westchester Electric, Yonkers, Long Island Elect, N Y & Long Isl Trac, N Y & North Shore, N Y & Queens Co, Ocean Elec (L I), Coney Island & Bklyn.

a Net earnings here given are after deducting taxes. Other income amounted to \$93,311 in Aug. 1913, agst. \$88,336 in 1912

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Annual Reports.—The following is an index to all annual reports of steam railroads, street railways and miscellaneous companies which have been published since Oct. 25.

This index, which is given monthly, does not include reports in to-day's "Chronicle."

Table with columns: Railroads, Page. Rows include Alabama Great Southern RR, Grand Trunk Ry. of Canada, Alabama & Vicksburg Ry, Guantnamo & Western RR, etc.

Table with columns: Railroads, Page, Industrials, Page. Rows include Quebec Central Ry, American Window Glass Co, Seaboard Air Line Ry, Brooklyn (N. Y.) Union Gas Co., etc.

Missouri Kansas & Texas Ry.

(Report for Fiscal Year ending June 30 1913.)

On subsequent pages will be found the report of Chairman Frank Trumbull and President C. E. Schaff, also the detailed income account, balance sheet, profit and loss account and other tables. Below we give comparative income account and statistics for several years and comparative balance sheet.

OPERATIONS AND FISCAL RESULTS.

Table with columns: 1912-13, 1911-12, 1910-11, 1909-10. Rows include Miles operated, average, Passengers carried, Pass. carried 1 mile, Rate per pass. per mile, Tons freight carried, Tons freight carr. 1 m., Rate per ton per mile, Gross earnings per mile.

EARNINGS, EXPENSES, &c.

(Including Wichita Falls Lines from Nov. 1 1912.)

Table with columns: 1912-13, 1911-12, 1910-11, 1909-10. Rows include Passenger, Freight, Mail, express, &c., Gross oper. revenues, Maintenance of way, &c., Maintenance of equip't., Traffic expenses, Transportation expenses, General expenses, Total, Per cent of exp. to earn., Net operating revenues, Taxes accrued, Operating income, Hire of equipment, Int. on investments, &c., Sundry receipts, Gross income, Interest on bonds, Other interest, Hire of equipment, Rentals road, jr. trks., &c., Discount on securities, Other deductions, Total deductions, Net income, Pref. divs. 4% (see note), Tex. Cent. pref. divs. (5%), Tex. Cent. com. div. (5%), W.F.&N.W.com.div.(5%)

This is 5% on the stock in the hands of the public. Note.—Dividends in 1912-13 and 1911-12 were charged against profit and loss; in previous years they were deducted from the income accounts of the respective years.

CONDENSED GENERAL BALANCE SHEET JUNE 30.

Table with columns: 1913, 1912, 1913, 1912. Rows include Assets (Road & equip., Secur. pledged, Prop., &c., cos., Issued or ass'd, Misc. invests., Special deposits, acct.equip.trust, Cash, Loans & bills rec., Traffic, &c., bal., Miscellaneous, Agents, &c., Mater. & supp., Securs. in treas., Unmatured int., divs., &c., Sinking funds., Provident funds., Other def. debit items), Liabilities (M.K.&T.com.stk, M.K.&T.pf.stk, Stock of sub.cos., Funded debt., Loans and bills payable, Traffic, &c., bal., Vouch., & wages, Matur., int., &c., Misc. accounts., Unmat. int., &c., Taxes accrued., Acct. of provident funds., Other def. credit items, Add'ns to prop., Sinking funds., Profit and loss.)

Total 260,191,454 241,295,501 Total 260,191,454 241,295,501 a After deducting accrued depreciation on existing equipment, \$1,048,907. b After adding \$232,401 for adjustment of value of Tex. Cent. RR. equipment as of Nov. 30 1913 and \$3,492 miscellaneous items and deducting \$908,724 for discount and expenses of security issues and \$450,183 Texas Central RR. profit and loss balance June 30 1910 taken up in annual report profit and loss statement fiscal year 1911 now deducted and sundry items aggregating \$184,153. c \$800,000 paid to Nov. 1 1913.

St. Louis & San Francisco RR.

(Report for Fiscal Year ending June 30 1913.)

The text of the report is given on a subsequent page; also comparative tables of earnings and operations and balance sheet for two years past, &c. The usual comparative operating statistics and income account for four years were given in the "Chronicle" of Nov. 15 on page 1419.—V. 97, p. 1505, 1427, 1419.



**Western Maryland Railway.**

(Report for Fiscal Year ending June 30 1913.)

The remarks of President Fitzgerald are given at length on subsequent pages; also the comparative income account and balance sheet for two years.

Below we give the usual comparative tables, showing the traffic statistics and income account for several years:

**CLASSIFICATION OF TONNAGE FOR YEARS ENDING JUNE 30.**

Products of—	Agricul.	Animals.	*Mines.	Forests.	Manufac.	Mdse.
1912-13	260,512	103,962	7,249,963	1,447,757	1,263,476	495,369
1911-12	240,760	121,100	7,410,406	1,349,592	996,055	529,928

\* Includes 5,806,677 tons of bituminous coal in 1912-13, against 6,286,641 tons in 1911-12.

**TRAFFIC STATISTICS YEARS ENDING JUNE 30.**

	1912-13.	1911-12.	1910-11.	1909-10.
Miles operated	543	543	543	543
Passengers carried	2,194,998	2,271,985	2,302,785	2,118,060
Passengers carried 1 mile	55,201,443	53,235,842	54,665,061	51,414,048
Av. rcts. p. pass. p. m.	1.806 cts.	1.771 cts.	1.763 cts.	1.699 cts.
Tons rev. freight carried	10,821,039	10,647,841	9,463,460	9,147,565
Of which coal & coke	6,636,144	6,904,538	6,195,013	6,105,103
Tons carried one mile	1083106 832	1006731 817	949,828,091	966,576,728
Av. rcts. p. ton p. mile.	0.579 cts.	0.596 cts.	0.625 cts.	0.612 cts.
Oper. revenue per mile.	\$14.036	\$13.339	\$13.261	\$13.042

**INCOME ACCOUNT YEARS ENDING JUNE 30.**

	1912-13.	1911-12.	1910-11.	1909-10.
<b>Earnings—</b>				
Freight	\$6,274,403	\$6,001,113	\$5,938,426	\$5,912,642
Passenger	996,691	942,553	963,628	873,588
Mail, express, &c.	361,585	299,392	298,880	295,627
<b>Total oper. revenue.</b>	<b>\$7,632,679</b>	<b>\$7,243,058</b>	<b>\$7,200,934</b>	<b>\$7,081,857</b>
<b>Expenses—</b>				
Maint. of way & struc.	\$1,155,972	\$994,543	\$857,880	\$759,774
Maint. of equipment	1,240,025	925,479	856,038	874,203
Traffic expenses	189,602	125,568	109,702	106,232
Transportation expenses	3,271,908	2,662,848	2,457,000	2,205,959
General expenses	161,640	174,842	159,607	156,353
<b>Total expenses.</b>	<b>\$6,019,147</b>	<b>\$4,883,280</b>	<b>\$4,440,228</b>	<b>\$4,102,521</b>
<b>Net operating revenue.</b>	<b>\$1,613,532</b>	<b>\$2,359,777</b>	<b>\$2,760,706</b>	<b>\$2,979,336</b>
Outside oper. (net)	2,341	3,432	576	925
<b>Total net revenue.</b>	<b>\$1,615,873</b>	<b>\$2,363,209</b>	<b>\$2,761,282</b>	<b>\$2,980,261</b>
Taxes accrued	240,000	252,000	240,000	216,000
<b>Operating income.</b>	<b>\$1,375,873</b>	<b>\$2,111,209</b>	<b>\$2,521,282</b>	<b>\$2,764,261</b>

**OTHER INCOME AND DEDUCTIONS**

	1912-13.	1911-12.	1910-11.	1909-10.
Interest on loans and accounts	\$145,450	\$233,311	\$228,515	\$228,515
Miscellaneous income	4,175	69,214	277,425	277,425
<b>Gross corporate income.</b>	<b>\$1,525,498</b>	<b>\$2,413,734</b>	<b>\$3,027,222</b>	<b>\$3,027,222</b>
Hire of equipment	\$103,106	\$20,910	\$17,806	\$17,806
Rent joint facilities	80,287	69,811	69,161	69,161
Accrued interest on bonds	2,583,258	2,057,944	2,095,198	2,095,198
Dividends on stocks	68,598	68,864	68,937	68,937
Miscellaneous	39,646	171,837	15,784	15,784
<b>Total deductions.</b>	<b>\$2,874,896</b>	<b>\$2,389,366</b>	<b>\$2,266,886</b>	<b>\$2,266,886</b>
<b>Balance, surplus or deficit.</b>	<b>def. \$1,349,398</b>	<b>sur. \$24,368</b>	<b>sr. \$760,336</b>	<b>sr. \$760,336</b>
Int. advanced to sub. cos.	\$819,640	\$622,902		
Improvements in progress	114,785			
Additions and betterments		42,867	40,923	
<b>Preferred dividends</b>	<b>def. \$414,973</b>	<b>sr. \$604,404</b>	<b>sr. \$719,413</b>	<b>sr. \$719,413</b>
	(1)\$100,000	(4)\$400,000	(4)\$400,000	

a Includes operations of old company for 6 months ending Dec. 31 1909.

**GEORGE'S CREEK & CUMB. RR. INCOME ACCT. YEAR END. JUNE 30.**

Fiscal Year	Operating Revenue	Net (after Taxes)	Other Income.	Sur. or Def.	Balance
1911-12	\$115,660	def. \$104,572	\$75,143	def. \$29,429	
1911-12	99,933	def. 67,992	93,398	sur. 25,406	

**Aurora Elgin & Chicago RR.**

(Report for Fiscal Year ending June 30 1913.)

Pres. L. F. Wolf, Cleveland, Oct. 21, wrote in substance (see map on p. 33 of "Electric Railway Section"):

**Results.**—While the gross earnings increased \$120,642, operating expenses also increased \$101,469, leaving an increase in net operating revenues of only \$19,172. The abnormal increase in operating expenses is largely due to the fact that the expenditures for maintenance of its track, roadway and equipment were \$61,426 in excess of the expenditures made for like purposes during the preceding fiscal year, an increase of 25%. The property and its equipment have been splendidly maintained, and despite the liberal increase in the appropriation for maintenance, the addition to surplus compares favorably with that of the preceding fiscal year.

**Additions and Extensions.**—These included: (a) On Chicago Division, at 53d Ave., Chicago, two industrial tracks to facilitate the handling of stone and gravel, and at Spring Road a cross-over connecting the East and West tracks. (b) Aurora City lines, 600 ft. extension along La Grande Boulevard, Downer Place line, and 1,200 ft. extension of Claim St. line, to a connection with the C. B. & Q. RR., to enable us to haul freight to plant of Aurora Automatic Machinery Co. (c) Fox River Interurban, 400 ft. siding near Dundee and "Y" at Yorkville.

**Reconstructed with New Material.**—(a) Aurora city lines: New special work at intersections of Park and Lincoln avenues and Fox St. and Broadway. View St. line, between West Park and Plum streets, 800 ft., where the entire street was newly paved. (b) Elgin city lines: On South State St. for 4,300 ft. (c) Fox River Interurban lines: Two miles of track in Geneva and St. Charles.

**Ballast.**—Four acres of land were purchased near Yorkville, containing about 63,000 cubic yards of sand and gravel.

**Ties.**—38,700 new ties were placed in track.

**Bridges, &c.**—A steel highway bridge, recently vacated, has been used to replace a temporary wooden bridge carrying a highway over the tracks at Batavia. A number of wooden bridges on the Fox River Division have been replaced with concrete structures.

**Overhead Line.**—To insure continuity of lighting service in Elgin, a second transmission line of the latest type is being constructed on steel towers from Ingleton sub-station to Elgin sub-station. This line will be in service for the fall business.

**Signals.**—An additional block of trolley contact block signals was installed on the Fox River Division. Two crossing alarm bells were replaced with our new standard bells and 13 additional new standard crossing alarm bells were installed. 58 crossings are now protected.

**Power House.**—The 8,300 k. w. turbo-generator set ordered last year has been installed, thus practically doubling the capacity of the plant. The continued increase of the station load has made it necessary to construct an addition to the boiler room to house four 500 h. p. boilers. Two boilers, together with stokers, bunkers and coal-handling apparatus, have already been installed therein, and two additional boilers will probably be installed by the middle of the coming fiscal year.

The dam constructed in Fox River at the plant last year, though slightly injured as a result of high water last spring, was productive of materially improved operating conditions during the summer and is now being repaired and reinforced.

**Cars and Equipment.**—(a) For the Chicago Division there were purchased six standard passenger electric cars and one motor express car. The passenger cars, originally provided for this division, are now being reconstructed and reinforced by steel plates and angles to bring them up to our present

standard. (b) For Fox River Division we purchased 4 double-truck, semi-steel city cars and 4 45-ft double-truck interurban passenger cars. All city cars have been equipped with wheel guards and fenders.

**Stations.**—The handsome new passenger station at Wheaton was completed and is a conspicuous addition to the property.

**Financial.**—Rather than sell its bonds under existing market conditions, the company has preferred to carry its accounts and notes payable its current expenditures for new construction and new equipment. From the annexed balance sheet it will be noted that on June 30 last the company had in its treasury \$450,000 of its bonds available for sale, and since June 30 the amount of treasury bonds has been increased to \$823,000 by the certification of \$373,000 bonds against last year's expenditures for construction, improvements and betterments.

**RESULTS FOR YEARS ENDING JUNE 30.**

	1912-13.	1911-12.	1910-11.	1909-10.
Gross RR. earnings	\$2,013,030	\$1,780,637	\$1,672,278	\$1,500,212
Gross earnings, light dept.		111,750	102,714	92,582
<b>Total gross earnings.</b>	<b>\$2,013,030</b>	<b>\$1,892,388</b>	<b>\$1,774,992</b>	<b>\$1,592,794</b>
Expenses & taxes, RR.	\$1,238,642	\$1,084,015	\$1,002,690	\$853,140
Exp. & taxes, light dept.		53,157	50,658	49,638
<b>Total oper. expenses.</b>	<b>\$1,238,642</b>	<b>\$1,137,172</b>	<b>\$1,053,348</b>	<b>\$902,778</b>
P. c. oper. exp. to earnings	(61.53)	(60.09)	(59.35)	(58.74)
<b>Net earnings, all depts.</b>	<b>\$774,388</b>	<b>\$755,216</b>	<b>\$721,644</b>	<b>\$690,016</b>
Other income	1,814	8,240	15,493	15,644
<b>Total net income.</b>	<b>\$776,202</b>	<b>\$763,456</b>	<b>\$737,137</b>	<b>\$705,660</b>
Deductions from income	\$395,223	\$386,127	\$373,373	\$373,824
Div. on pref. stock (6%)	186,000	186,000	186,000	186,000
Div. on com. stock (3%)	93,000	93,000	93,000	93,000
<b>Total deductions.</b>	<b>\$674,223</b>	<b>\$865,127</b>	<b>\$702,373</b>	<b>\$652,824</b>
<b>Balance, surplus.</b>	<b>\$101,979</b>	<b>\$98,329</b>	<b>\$34,764</b>	<b>\$52,836</b>

**BALANCE SHEET JUNE 30.**

1913.		1912.		1913.		1912.	
\$		\$		\$		\$	
<b>Assets—</b>				<b>Liabilities—</b>			
Prop. plant, &c.	12,598,881	12,594,607	Preferred stock	3,100,000	3,100,000		
Construction, im-			Common stock	3,100,000	3,100,000		
provements, &c.	2,222,666	1,763,465	"1st & ref." bonds	3,486,000	3,149,000		
Elgin & Aur. im-			First mtge. bonds	2,850,000	2,900,000		
provements un-			E. A. & S. Trac.				
der leases	15,145	12,383	cons. 1st M. bds.	2,000,000	2,000,000		
Investments	15,280	8,860	Salaries and wages	31,643	30,366		
"First & refund" g			Vouchers & accts.	350,337	161,040		
bonds in treas.	450,000	120,000	Notes payable	345,337	25,000		
Sinking funds	346,443	305,809	Acct. int. & taxes	59,574	58,701		
Material, supplies			Accrued dividends	69,750	69,750		
& prepaid accts.	163,086	159,553	Outstanding tick-				
Cash on hand, &c.	72,432	20,719	ets, &c.	29,430	11,935		
Accts. receivable	121,442	85,102	Reserves	*32,586	31,164		
Deferred accounts	6,576	14,644	Profit and loss	557,394	458,186		
<b>Total</b>	<b>16,011,951</b>	<b>15,095,142</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>16,011,951</b>	<b>15,095,142</b>		

\* Includes \$24,064 for replacements and renewals and \$8,522 for accts receivable and for damages.—V. 95, p. 1201.

**Nevada-California-Oregon Railway.**

(Report for Fiscal Year ending June 30 1913.)

Vice-President and General Manager T. F. Dunaway, Reno, Aug. 11, wrote in substance:

Bonds to par value of \$14,000 were purchased for sinking fund and canceled. Extraordinary expense incurred for the year, viz.: \$4,865 engineering expenses compiling data for California RR. Commission and \$7,286 ballasting Likely Hill.

**OPERATIONS, EARNINGS, & C., FOR YEARS END. JUNE 30.**

	1912-13.	1911-12.	1910-11.	1909-10.
Miles operated	238	238	184	184
<b>Operations—</b>				
Tons carried	47,054	43,905	42,024	54,707
Tons carried one mile	5,316,027	4,957,161	4,624,431	5,674,992
Rev. p. ton p. mile (cts.)	4.243	4.252	4.203	4.735
Passengers carried	29,373	29,305	22,921	25,044
Passengers carried 1 mile	2,471,407	2,459,897	1,994,505	2,289,228
Rev. p. pass. p. m. (cts.)	5.810	5.809	5.618	6.428
<b>Earnings—</b>				
Freight	\$225,575	\$210,761	\$194,344	\$268,721
Passenger	143,586	142,912	112,047	147,150
Mail, express and misc.	34,818	32,917	32,576	31,986
<b>Total earnings.</b>	<b>403,979</b>	<b>386,590</b>	<b>338,967</b>	<b>447,857</b>
Maintenance of way, &c.	88,905	98,265	100,975	64,322
Maint. of equipment	45,828	45,708	41,183	43,969
Traffic expenses	9,206	7,630	7,454	7,337
Transportation expenses	113,685	86,705	66,804	81,109
General expenses	26,008	23,437	26,576	21,868
<b>Total expenses.</b>	<b>283,632</b>	<b>261,745</b>	<b>242,992</b>	<b>218,605</b>
<b>Net earnings.</b>	<b>120,347</b>	<b>124,845</b>	<b>95,975</b>	<b>229,252</b>
Outside operations (net)	def. 359	1,139		
<b>Other income.</b>	<b>3,442</b>	<b>4,377</b>	<b>9,491</b>	<b>13,114</b>
<b>Total net income.</b>	<b>123,430</b>	<b>130,361</b>	<b>105,466</b>	<b>242,366</b>
Interest on bonds	48,047	41,814	31,702	29,044
Rents paid	214	102	205	205
Taxes	18,841	18,841	21,859	16,652
Sinking fund	14,080	9,710	9,810	7,890
Other interest	5,965	4,191	616	
Extng. of disc. on bonds	279	246		
Preferred dividends	(2%)15,000	(3%)22,500	(5%)37,500	(1%)14,500
Common dividends				
<b>Total</b>	<b>87,426</b>	<b>89,904</b>	<b>86,692</b>	<b>105,791</b>
<b>Balance, surplus.</b>	<b>36,004</b>	<b>40,457</b>	<b>18,774</b>	<b>136,575</b>

**BALANCE SHEET JUNE 30.**

1913.		1912.		1913.		1912.	
\$		\$		\$		\$	
<b>Assets—</b>				<b>Liabilities—</b>			
Road & equipment	63,920,889	3,850,155	Stock, common	1,450,000	1,450,000		
Bonds in treasury	401,000	519,000	Stock, preferred	750,000	750,000		
Stocks owned	72,465	91,059	Bonds	1,401,000	1,415,000		



ceding year. Number of passengers carried one mile 54,534,402, an increase of 3,979,574; earnings per passenger mile, 2.32 cts., a decrease of 0.06. Improvements to the extent of \$46,444 have been made, of which \$41,488 has been charged to "capital" and \$4,957 to "operating expenses."

Rolling Stock		Rails (Miles)			
Locomo-	Pass.	Freight	80-lb.	75-lb.	60-lb.
Jne30.	Cars.	Cars.			56-lb.
1913-	101	3,509	196.8	117.1	53.0
1912-	101	3,661	192.6	121.3	53.0

OPERATING STATISTICS.

	1912-13.	1911-12.	1910-11.	1909-10.
Passengers carried	2,115,889	2,003,452	1,875,805	1,874,707
Pass. carried one mile	54,534,402	50,554,828	49,323,091	49,316,196
Earns. per pass. per mile	2.32 cts.	2.38 cts.	2.40 cts.	2.34 cts.
Tons carried	4,323,512	4,033,639	3,949,973	3,678,366
Tons carried one mile	318,758,408	309,505,019	300,692,115	291,575,128
Earns. per ton per mile	0.93 cts.	0.93 cts.	0.94 cts.	0.91 cts.
Earns. per ft. train mile	\$2.01	\$1.88	\$1.96	\$1.94
Earns. p. pass. train mile	\$1.11	\$1.11	\$1.20	\$1.16

INCOME ACCOUNT.

	1912-13.	1911-12.	1910-11.	1909-10.
Operating Revenue—				
Freight	2,958,182	2,870,311	2,818,477	2,642,118
Passenger	1,262,863	1,203,394	1,185,077	1,154,914
Mail, express, &c.	356,545	362,127	334,090	291,379
Total operating rev.	4,577,590	4,435,832	4,337,644	4,088,411
Operating expenses—				
Maint. of way & struc's.	553,449	455,843	497,823	494,843
Maint. of equipment	737,452	663,911	631,138	725,628
Traffic expenses	105,069	99,546	94,680	110,854
Transportation expenses	2,150,638	2,062,028	1,896,710	1,656,782
General expenses	106,682	115,715	112,704	94,824
Taxes	177,110	150,000	146,763	133,125
Total	3,830,400	3,547,043	3,379,818	3,216,056
Operating income	747,190	888,789	957,826	872,355
Income from securities	62,887	53,720	43,720	33,720
Outside operations	902	5,373	6,611	9,069
Total	810,979	947,882	1,008,157	915,144
Deduct—				
Interest on bonds, &c.	562,275	512,731	503,951	523,186
Leased line rentals	216,553	216,553	216,552	216,553
Hire of equipment	28,480	177,495	169,478	85,085
Miscellaneous rents, &c.	8,511	5,881	4,719	2,915
Improvements, &c.	4,956	22,669	23,206	62,631
Total deductions	820,775	934,929	917,906	890,370
Balance, sur. or def.	def. 9,797	sur. 12,953	sur. 90,251	sur. 24,774

BALANCE SHEET JUNE 30.

	1913.	1912.	1913.	1912.
Assets—				
Road & equip't.	16,293,568	16,357,754	3,000,000	3,000,000
Bds. iss'd, pledged	851,000	626,000	11,750,000	11,500,000
Securities in treas.	167,000	142,000	1,179,000	1,386,000
Marketable securities	35,000	35,000	Equipment, &c.	
Stocks of affiliated &c. cos., unpledged	117,915	117,915	of leased cos.	224,323
Adv. to other cos.	2,764,128	1,112,953	Loans & bills pay.	3,468,000
Misc. secs. pledged	40,000	40,000	Vouchers & wages	1,276,264
Cash	174,593	207,680	Traffic, &c., bals.	195,673
Materials & supp.	420,120	285,206	Miscell. accounts	50,144
Agts. & conductors	181,176	192,611	Accrued int., &c.	167,993
Traffic, &c., bals.	75,096	70,754	Accrued taxes	91,963
Misc. accounts	399,546	278,201	Insur. accrued	2,573
Def. debit items	461,226	467,065	Def. credit items	43,351
Total	21,980,368	19,933,139	Appropriated surp.	455,661
			Profit and loss	77,996

a After deducting reserve for accrued depreciation, \$349,927.

b Equipment and personal property of leased companies is included in road and equipment, per contra.  
 Note.—The company also guarantees principal and interest on \$200,000 Montreal & Province Line Ry. 1st M. 4% bonds and \$1,100,000 Central Vermont Transportation Co. 5% bonds.—V. 97, p. 1286.

Cincinnati New Orleans & Texas Pacific Ry.

[Lessee of the Cincinnati Southern Railway.]

(Report for Fiscal Year ending June 30 1913.)

Late Pres. W. W. Finley, Nov. 18, wrote in substance:

Results.—Gross operating revenues increased \$688,903, but operating expenses also increased \$552,573 (\$314,952 being in maintenance of property), and there was an increase in the net deficit from outside operations of \$1,384 and in taxes of \$74,000, so that operating income increased only \$60,946. Other income, however, increased \$240,444 (due principally to greater receipts from per diem rental of freight-train cars), and deductions for rents, &c., decreased \$3,993. The total available income, therefore, was \$2,252,553, an increase of \$305,388. Permanent improvements, additions and betterments, which revert to lessor under lease, aggregated \$1,024,649, an increase of \$445,307. After deducting pref. dividends (5% or \$122,670), there was a surplus of \$1,105,234 carried to profit and loss. Dividends aggregating 6%, declared out of accumulated surplus and charged to profit and loss, were paid on the common stock, also extra dividends aggregating 5% (making the total distribution on this stock \$328,900).

City Bonds.—Under an Act of the Ohio General Assembly approved May 13 1911, authority was given to the trustees of the Cincinnati Southern Ry. to issue \$500,000 bonds for the improvement of terminal facilities in Cincinnati, to be expended at not exceeding \$100,000 per annum. Accordingly, on June 18 1913 the trustees issued and sold a manuscript 4% bond for \$100,000, which, under the terms of the lease from the City of Cincinnati, this company assumes and must maintain a 1% sinking fund to pay the same at maturity. These improvements will revert to the City at the expiration of the lease.

Property.—The investment in equipment increased during the year \$230,966; in real estate and other property increased \$27,128. There were received during the year 10 Mikado and 7 Pacific type locomotives, purchased at a cost of \$394,135 and paid for in cash. 5 steel dining cars and 350 steel freight cars contracted for on cash basis are now being delivered.

Payments made during the year on account of equipment trust obligations amounted to \$294,000. Of the equipment on hand June 30 there were subject to equipment trust liens 10 passenger locomotives, 35 freight locomotives, 26 passenger train cars and 3,141 freight-train cars.

Maintenance, &c.—New ballast placed in the track aggregated 156,584 cu. yds. 287,210 cross-ties and 135 sets of switch-ties were used in renewals and 4,624 tons of new 85-lb. steel rail were laid in the track. The entire road between Cincinnati, Ohio, and Chattanooga, Tenn., is fully protected by automatic block and staff signals.

The charge to maintenance of equipment account shows an increase of \$264,387, due in part to the higher wages paid to shop men.

Taxes.—Taxes for the year show an increase of \$74,000, or 27.25%, due principally to a higher valuation placed upon the franchise in Kentucky. As this higher valuation was considered excessive, relief has been sought.

Additional Facilities.—Second main track between Citico and Boyce, Tenn., and between Greenwood and Cumberland Falls, Ky., was completed, the total double track at June 30 1913 being 90.69 miles. Second main track between Erlanger and Williamstown, Ky., 29.60 miles, will be put in service about Jan. 1 1914. With the completion of this work, the total double track will amount to 120.29 miles, or 35.86% of the total main track.

General Traffic Conditions.—While not materially damaging the property, flood conditions in January and during the latter part of March and the first part of April 1913 resulted in a substantial loss in traffic. The flood of April completely shut off communication with the North, and the damage to roads north of the Ohio River was so great that for a few days the only line of communication between Cincinnati and the East was over this company's lines between Cincinnati and Harman Junction, in connection with the Southern Ry. and connecting lines. With the exception of the flood conditions, the general traffic situation has been generally satisfactory.

Agricultural Development.—There have been notable increases along the line in the cultivation of strawberries and also in the planting of apple orchards. To aid in the successful marketing of agricultural and horticultural products, our associated companies on Jan. 1 1913 appointed four market agents to co-operate with producers and buyers in bringing market opportunities to the attention of producers and to advise them as to the best methods of packing and shipping, and also to advise buyers.

The 32 markets in the Burley tobacco belt, including Cincinnati and Louisville, sold over 211,000,000 lbs. of tobacco during the 1912-1913 season, of which amount the markets in Central Kentucky adjacent to this line sold approximately 42,000,000 lbs. While the wheat crop in Central Kentucky was normal, the corn crop was larger than for several years.

Your company has appointed a land and industrial agent for the location of farm settlers and the development of industries.

TRAFFIC STATISTICS FOR YEAR ENDING JUNE 30.

Operations—	1912-13.	1911-12.	1910-11.	1909-10.
Miles operated	335	335	335	335
No. passengers carried	1,495,728	1,451,010	1,403,334	1,394,439
Pass. carried one mile	86,619,647	82,784,199	79,492,273	73,569,696
Rev. pass. per mile	2.13 cts.	2.11 cts.	2.10 cts.	2.09 cts.
Tons rev. freight moved	5,631,134	5,241,311	4,908,920	5,062,538
Tons fr't moved one mile	107,203,416	99,617,794	93,626,139	96,434,967
Rev. per ton per mile	0.75 cts.	0.75 cts.	0.76 cts.	0.73 cts.
Av. train-load (rev.) tons	419	403	400	439
Earns. per pass. tr. mile	\$1.36	\$1.36	\$1.41	\$1.49
Earns. per fr't tr. mile	\$3.16	\$3.03	\$3.02	\$3.22
Gross earnings per mile	\$31.137	\$29.083	\$27.441	\$27.066

INCOME ACCOUNT FOR YEARS ENDING JUNE 30.

	1912-13.	1911-12.	1910-11.	1909-10.
Freight revenues	\$8,078,157	\$7,503,581	\$7,043,373	\$7,082,859
Passenger revenues	1,848,423	1,746,678	1,663,145	1,536,939
Mail, exp. and miscell.	459,188	451,864	446,912	416,334
Other rev. from oper.	59,401	54,142	46,975	43,339
Total oper. revenue	\$10,445,169	\$9,756,266	\$9,205,405	\$9,079,471
Maint. of way & struc.	\$1,057,039	\$1,006,493	\$1,006,435	\$987,743
Maint. of equipment	2,429,958	2,185,571	1,916,375	1,916,076
Transportation expenses	3,030,545	2,835,008	2,429,481	2,499,332
Traffic expenses	281,571	246,443	245,833	235,339
General expenses	237,349	230,394	218,517	216,383
Total oper. expenses	\$7,036,482	\$6,483,909	\$6,116,191	\$5,530,873
Net operating revenue	\$3,408,687	\$3,272,357	\$3,089,214	\$3,548,598
Outside oper.—net def.	7,877	6,493	16,443	3,014
Total net revenue	\$3,400,810	\$3,265,864	\$3,072,771	\$3,545,584
Taxes accrued	345,600	271,600	254,483	249,554
Operating income	\$3,055,210	\$2,994,264	\$2,818,288	\$3,296,030
Hire of equip. balance	436,207	218,170	361,514	254,939
Income from invest., &c.	118,228	95,821	78,587	53,474
Total gross income	\$3,609,645	\$3,308,255	\$3,258,389	\$3,604,504
Rental to Cincinnati	\$1,227,742	\$1,225,775	\$1,229,990	\$1,231,450
Miscell. int. & rentals	129,350	132,315	123,029	175,530
Permanent impts.	1,024,649	579,342	606,671	1,475,959
Divs. on pref. stock (5%)	122,670	122,670	122,670	122,670
Divs. on com. stock*	(11)328,900	(11)328,900	(5)150,000	(5)150,000
Total deductions	\$2,833,311	\$2,392,022	\$2,232,360	\$3,155,609
Balance, surplus	\$776,334	\$916,253	\$1,026,029	\$448,895

\* Deducted by the company from profit and loss, but here shown for the sake of simplicity.

BALANCE SHEET JUNE 30.

	1913.	1912.	1913.	1912.
Assets—				
Road & equipment	9,553,438	9,494,409	3,000,000	3,000,000
Misc. securities	1,033,790	1,033,790	Preferred stock	2,453,400
Physical property	4,515	4,515	Vouchers & wages	903,394
Supplies & mat'ls.	597,543	660,629	Misc. accounts	104,629
Cash	2,729,283	2,281,385	Accrued taxes	290,955
Securs. in treasury	10,000	10,000	Equip. obligations	1,380,000
Marketable securities	1,035	1,035	Rent & int. accr'd	317,478
Agts. & conductors	239,004	178,537	Traffic balances	247,706
Bills receivable	909	6,909	Oper. reserves	459,045
Traffic, &c., bals.	369,651	241,670	Oth. def. cred. items	63,524
Misc. accounts	441,638	395,008	Approp. surplus	56,512
Special deposits	24,503	24,503	Profit and loss	5,912,285
Oth. def. deb. items	198,120	218,026	Total	15,178,926
Total	15,178,926	14,550,418	Total	15,178,926

a After deducting \$2,533,764 reserved for accrued depreciation of equipment.—V. 97, p. 1503.

Cudahy Packing Co., Chicago.

(Report for Fiscal Year ending Nov. 1 1913.)

Pres. E. A. Cudahy reports in substance as follows:

STATISTICS FOR YEAR END, NOV. 1 1913 (\*No. bought and slaughtered).

Total gross sales	\$104,408,789	*Cattle	508,897
No. cars shipped, abt.	40,162	*Hogs	1,852,245
Freight on same	\$4,558,106	*Sheep	1,069,373
Paid for live stock	\$75,962,875	*Calves	74,409
Wages to plant and other employees, excl. of executive officers	\$7,187,484		

TOTAL SALES FOR PAST NINE YEARS.

1913	\$104,408,789	1910	\$93,315,696	1907	\$79,886,479
1912	90,443,970	1909	84,420,766	1906	69,319,153
1911	87,803,856	1908	71,988,213	1905	62,722,755

INCOME ACCOUNT YEAR ENDED NOV. 1 1913.

	1912-13.	1911-12.	1910-11.	1909-10.
Profits before repairs, &c.	\$1,850,682	\$1,651,686	\$830,334	\$1,464,952
Repairs, &c.	521,504	522,221	451,027	445,835
Net profits for year	\$1,329,178	\$1,129,465	\$379,307	\$1,019,117
Preferred div. (6%)	\$120,000	\$120,000	\$120,000	\$120,000
Common dividends—(7%)	700,000	(4)400,000		(7)700,000
Balance, surplus	\$509,178	\$609,465	\$259,307	\$199,117

BALANCE SHEET NOV. 1 1913.

	1913.	1912.	1913.	1912.
Assets—				
Plants, property, equipment, &c.	7,852,369	10,669,266	2,000,000	2,0



**United States Bobbin & Shuttle Co.**

(Balance Sheet of July 31 1913.)

1913.		1912.		1913.		1912.	
\$		\$		\$		\$	
<b>Assets—</b>							
Real est. & mach'y.	801,886	868,336	Capital stock	1,500,000	1,651,000		
Stable equipment	6,894	4,312	Accounts payable	60,000	115,000		
Material & supplies	369,609	345,243	Reserve for insurance		116,840		
Furniture & fixtures	10,124	9,603	Surplus	295,522	282,289		
Cash & accts. receiv.	215,240	159,348					
Insurance fund		116,840					
Pat. rts. & good-will	451,769	661,447					
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,855,522</b>	<b>2,165,129</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>1,855,522</b>	<b>2,165,129</b>		

—V. 95, p. 1044, 1539.

**Consumers' Gas Co. of Toronto.**

(65th Annual Report—Fiscal Year ending Sept. 30.)

Pres. A. W. Austin says in substance:

The output of gas for the year has amounted to 3,492,087,000 cu. ft., an increase of 372,339,000 cu. ft.; 7,903 new services have been put in and 36 miles of street mains have been laid.

The extensions to the works referred to in the last annual report are nearing completion. These consist of a generator house, exhaustor and blower house, purifier house, boiler house, generators, superheaters, carburetors, exhaustors, tar extractors, two 300 h. p. dry back marine type multitubular boilers with accessories, purifiers, steel oil storage tank, concrete tar tanks, gas holder, coal and coke conveyors, coal storage hoppers, station meter, etc. The new plant will have a manufacturing capacity of 4,000,000 cu. ft. of gas per day. The demand for gas is increasing so rapidly, however, that we already find it necessary to consider plans for the further enlargement of the works, and for increasing the capacity of the distribution system.

The continued advance in the cost of materials used in the manufacture of gas, and the higher labor costs, have given your directors much concern, and but for the very favorable contracts for coal and gas oil, made by the company prior to the rise in the market prices of these commodities, consumers could not have been supplied with gas at the extremely low rates which at present prevail in Toronto.

Large increases have also been made in the assessment of the property for municipal taxes.

Supplementary letters patent were granted April 15 1913 authorizing extension of the works and pipes and the exercising of powers within the townships adjoining Toronto and the limits of the Township of York, and empowering the sale from time to time of authorized capital stock either by public auction or by tender. To provide the additional capital necessary, we offered at auction on June 26 1913, \$500,000 capital stock; \$340,500 was sold at a premium of \$227,600. [A further \$750,000 will be offered Dec. 11. V. 96, p. 1705; V. 97, p. 53, 1507.]

**PERATIONS AND FISCAL RESULTS FOR YEARS ENDING SEPT. 30.**

	1912-13.	1911-12.	1910-11.	1909-10.
Met rs. No.	91,284	82,022	72,544	65,349
Gas pts from gas rents	\$2,294,308	\$2,058,141	\$1,857,071	\$1,799,246
nc. from coke, tar, &c.	909,002	406,228	357,802	271,715
<b>Total income</b>	<b>\$3,203,310</b>	<b>\$2,464,369</b>	<b>\$2,214,873</b>	<b>\$2,070,961</b>
Oper. expenses & taxes	2,361,329	1,746,233	1,517,867	1,316,201
<b>Net earnings</b>	<b>\$841,981</b>	<b>\$718,136</b>	<b>\$697,006</b>	<b>\$754,760</b>
Int. from debentures, &c.		18,144	13,234	3,712
<b>Total net income</b>	<b>\$841,981</b>	<b>\$736,280</b>	<b>\$710,240</b>	<b>\$758,472</b>
<b>Deduct—</b>				
Interest	\$8,781			\$4,834
Dividends (10%)	445,160	438,310	\$416,180	373,166
Renewal fund (5%)	101,458	332,786	342,768	324,992
<b>Balance, sur. or def.</b>	<b>def.\$13,418</b>	<b>def.\$84,818</b>	<b>def.\$48,708</b>	<b>sur.\$55,481</b>

**BALANCE SHEET SEPTEMBER 30.**

1913.		1912.		1913.		1912.	
\$		\$		\$		\$	
<b>Assets—</b>							
Plant, &c.	8,854,518	8,070,327	Liabilities—				
Other investments	207,233		Stock	4,725,000	4,384,500		
Materials, &c.	419,896	299,550	Reserve fund	930,469	943,886		
Cash	167,698	334	Renewal fund	1,027,013	978,760		
Debentures		216,233	Sundry accounts	197,816	98,641		
Unpaid capital stock			Res. for divs. (25%)	116,889			
subscriptions	29,272		Spec. bk. advances	388,000	74,298		
Accounts receivable	210,536	170,305	Stock prem. (1904)	2,504,265	2,276,664		
<b>Total</b>	<b>9,889,153</b>	<b>8,756,750</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>9,889,153</b>	<b>8,756,750</b>		

—V. 97, p. 1507, 1428.

**Ogilvie Flour Mills Co., Ltd., Montreal.**

Report for Fiscal Year ending Aug. 31 1913.)

Pres. C. R. Hosmer, Montreal, Oct. 9, wrote in substance:

The company's flour mill and elevator at Medicine Hat were completed and placed in successful operation the latter part of July. With flour mills at Medicine Hat, Winnipeg, Fort William and two mills centrally located at Montreal, our strategic position cannot be over-estimated.

A recent appraisal of the company's properties, made by competent authority, established their real value at over \$2,000,000 in excess of the figures at which they were being carried on the books of the company, and the directors therefore felt justified in adding \$330,304 of this excess to property accounts. This, with \$169,695 transferred from the profit and loss account, enables the company to write down the item of \$1,000,000 for good-will, trade-marks and patent rights to the nominal figure of \$1. [The shareholders voted Oct. 9 to authorize the issue of \$600,000 1st M. 6% bonds, series "C," on account of the cost of the Medicine Hat flour mill and elevators recently erected and acquired. V. 97, p. 732.]

**INCOME ACCOUNT.**

	1912-13.	1911-12.	1910-11.	1909-10.
Trading profits	\$576,735	\$521,431	\$481,310	\$541,924
<b>Deduct—</b>				
Interest on bonds	\$105,000	\$105,000	\$105,000	\$105,000
Prof. divs. (7%)	140,000	140,000	140,000	140,000
Common divs. (8%)	200,000	200,000	200,000	200,000
<b>Total deductions</b>	<b>\$445,000</b>	<b>\$445,000</b>	<b>\$445,000</b>	<b>\$445,000</b>
<b>Balance, surplus</b>	<b>\$131,735</b>	<b>\$76,431</b>	<b>\$36,310</b>	<b>\$96,924</b>

**BALANCE SHEET AUG. 31.**

1913.		1912.		1913.		1912.	
\$		\$		\$		\$	
<b>Assets—</b>							
Plant, real est., &c.	5,891,408	4,258,475	Preferred stock	2,000,000	2,000,000		
Good-will, tr. mks., &c.	1,000,000		Common stock	2,500,000	2,500,000		
Cash on hand	3,950	51,249	First mtge. bonds	1,750,000	1,750,000		
Bills receivable	68,227	21,683	Bank of Montreal	1,447,850	754,083		
Accts. rec. (less res. for contingencies)	1,406,315	1,328,918	Accounts payable	535,013	267,295		
Materials & supplies	1,280,847	1,086,147	Res. for bond int. and dividends	111,250	111,250		
Furniture, &c.	45,678	32,900	Pension fund	64,101	61,849		
Investments	184,311	175,588	Profit and loss	472,523	510,483		
<b>Total</b>	<b>8,880,737</b>	<b>7,954,960</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>8,880,737</b>	<b>7,954,960</b>		

\*After deducting \$330,304 transferred from capital surplus account and \$169,695 transferred from profit and loss account. †After deducting \$169,695 written off good-will and trade-marks, &c.

†Note.—There was also Aug. 31 1913 a liability for \$431,091 customers' paper under discount.—V. 97, p. 1119, 732.

**Street's Western Stable-Car Line, Chicago.**

(Report for Fiscal Year ending June 30 1913.)

Pres. F. J. Reichmann, Chicago, Sept. 23, wrote in subst.:

The net income, after deducting maintenance of cars and all other operating and general expenses, and also interest on bonds, was \$73,911. This amount had to be used to meet the bonds maturing on June 1 1913, and was, therefore, not available for distribution as dividends. It is, however, \$19,660 in excess of the 7% requirement on the pref. stock. The gross earnings decreased for the first half of the year about 11%, but for the second half of the year increased 19%, resulting in an increase of 3% for the entire year.

The increase in current liabilities, \$71,000, is more than offset by the increase in convertible assets of \$74,000. Since June 30 1912 the bills payable account, \$42,500, has been entirely discharged, and all bills for materials purchased have been promptly paid. Of the original issue of \$2,000,000 5% equipment bonds, \$310,000 have now been retired and canceled, and in addition to this the company has liquidated its bills payable account of \$150,000 since June 1 1909.

There has been a surplus of idle cars on the railroads for the year, although not to the same extent as for several years in the past. The shipments and receipts of live cattle have been constantly declining, as revealed by the reports of the various stock yard companies at the principal markets of the country, and the exports of live cattle which were at their maximum in the year 1907 from both the United States and Canada have now practically ceased.

In view of these conditions, it is gratifying to be able to make a report that the present earning power of the equipment is on a better basis than at the beginning of the last fiscal year.

**INCOME ACCOUNT.**

	—Years end. June 30—	—Years end. Dec. 31—		
	1913.	1912.	1911.	1909.
Net earnings (after maintenance, taxes, &c.)	\$159,234	\$120,226	\$163,600	\$250,996
Interest on bonds	85,323	89,782	91,350	52,564
Int. on car lease warrants				25,362
Propor. bond disc't & exp.				9,735
<b>Net income</b>	<b>\$73,911</b>	<b>\$30,444</b>	<b>\$72,250</b>	<b>\$163,334</b>
Divs. on preferred (7%)				\$54,250
Dividends on common				(3 1/2)133,000
<b>Balance, sur. or def.</b>	<b>sur.\$73,911</b>	<b>sur.\$30,444</b>	<b>sur.\$72,250</b>	<b>def.\$23,916</b>

**BALANCE SHEET JUNE 30.**

1913.		1912.		1913.		1912.	
\$		\$		\$		\$	
<b>Assets—</b>							
Cars, franchises, patents, real estate, buildings, &c.	7,610,946	7,653,272	Common stock	3,800,000	3,800,000		
Construc'n & mat'ls	101,389	64,752	Preferred stock	775,000	775,000		
Bond redemp. fund		7,250	5% equip. gold bds.	1,690,000	1,770,000		
Accounts receivable	143,327	87,795	Car renewal funds	154,900	108,333		
Cash	6,194	15,500	Accounts payable	112,243	68,608		
Prepaid expenses	954	2,546	Bills payable	42,500	15,000		
Bond discount	158,292	158,292	Res. for renewals, &c.		55,571		
			Surplus—available				
			for deprec'n, &c.	1,446,459	1,396,895		
<b>Total</b>	<b>8,021,102</b>	<b>7,989,407</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>8,021,102</b>	<b>7,989,407</b>		

a After deducting \$24,347 charges on account of prior period.—V. 97, p. 891.

**GENERAL INVESTMENT NEWS.**

**RAILROADS, INCLUDING ELECTRIC ROADS.**

**Alabama Great Southern RR.—Ratified.**—The stockholders on Nov. 26 approved the issue of the new first consol. mtge. for \$25,000,000. (V. 97, p. 1285, 1282.)

**Bonds Sold.**—Potter, Choate & Prentice have purchased, and will publicly offer on a 5.10% basis in the near future, an issue of \$2,500,000 1st cons. M. 5% gold bonds, series "A," dated Dec. 1 1913, due Dec. 1 1943.

The bonds are not subject to call and are in \$500 and \$1,000 denominations. Guaranty Trust Co., N. Y., is trustee. Interest—semi-annually June and Dec. 1. The proceeds will be used partly to reimburse company for money already expended for improvements and betterments, and the remainder to provide for additions, betterments and improvements during the years 1914, 1915 and 1916.—V. 97, p. 1285, 1282.

**Atlantic Coast Line RR.—Death of President.**—President T. M. Emerson died at Wilmington, N. C., on Nov. 25.—V. 97, p. 1512, 1494.

**Buffalo Rochester & Pittsburgh Ry.—Sale of Equipment Bonds.**—Procter & Borden, N. Y., together with E. Lowber Stokes of Philadelphia, were the successful bidders for the \$1,008,000 equipment 5% bonds, Series "H", sold Nov. 24 and approved by the P. S. Commission Nov. 25.

These bonds are part of an authorized issue of \$2,200,000, maturing at the rate of \$125,000 on Jan. 1 of each year, commencing Jan. 1 1915 and ending Jan. 1 1930. They are dated July 1 1913. Of the amount we purchased, \$63,000 are due annually on Jan. 1 1915 to Jan. 1930 inclusive. The Guaranty Trust Co. of N. Y. is the trustee. Of the cost of the equipment 10% has been paid in cash, the remainder being represented by the equipment bonds.—V. 97 p. 364 374, 360.

**Buffalo & Susquehanna RR.—Offer to Pref. Shareholders.** Contingent upon the reorganization plan going into effect, as outlined in V. 97, p. 1502, the Kreech Committee, in accordance with said plan, offers to sell to the holders of the \$4,000,000 pref. stock on or before Dec. 3 10%, or \$400,000, of the new bonds with stock allotment as below stated.

Such stockholders will pay \$10 per share in cash (thus producing, if all assent, \$400,000) and receive therefor \$10 in new 4% bonds, \$20 in new pref. stock and \$30 in the new common stock. See plan, V. 97, p. 1502.

In order to avail of this offer the pref. shareholder must, on or before Dec. 3 1913, deposit with the Equitable Trust Co., 37 Wall St., duly endorsed in blank, certificates representing his present holdings of said pref. stock and pay to said trust company, for account of the committee, 25% of the total purchase price, the remainder to be payable within 10 days after notice by mail that the new bonds and stocks are ready for delivery. Interest will be allowed on partial payments at 4% per annum from the dates thereof until delivery of new bonds and stocks.—V. 97, p. 1502, 1424.

**Canadian Northern Ry.—Guaranty by Government.**—The following, as authoritatively revised for the "Chronicle," is stated to be approximately correct:

In the Legislature at Edmonton quite recently Premier Sifton announced that the Government had raised the bond guaranty from \$13,000 to \$15,000 per mile on approximately 600 miles of railway of the Canadian Northern (of which 470 miles was almost complete), located in Southern Alberta. The average cost of the line is said to be from \$24,000 to \$30,000 per mile. Bills were also passed guaranteeing the bonds of the Canadian Northern Western Line from Blackfalds to the Brazeau coal fields, at \$25,000 per mile for 114 miles (now built, except about 24 miles). The Premier stated that the Canadian Northern Western Ry. Co. (V. 93:p. 1724; V. 94, p. 697) asked for the guaranty of the Brazeau line, which has not hitherto been guaranteed, in order that their capital might be liberated, so that they could proceed with the building of other lines, especially those in the southern portions of the Province.—V. 97, p. 1424, 1420.



**Canadian Northern Western Ry.—Bond Guaranty.**—See Canadian Northern Ry. above.—V. 94, p. 697.

**Central Canada Ry.—New Enterprise.**—Notice is given that the Parliament of Canada at its next session will be asked to incorporate a company under this name, with power to construct and operate a line of railway from Winnipeg north-westerly via Yorkton, Saskatoon and Battleford to Edmonton, and to issue part of the capital stock as pref. stock.

The Government of Alberta recently agreed to give to the Central Canada Ry. Co., which is to build 100 miles of railway in the Peace River, a guaranty at the rate of \$20,000 per mile. Pringle & Guthrie, Citizen Bldg., Ottawa, are solicitors for the company.

**Central Illinois Public Service Co., Chicago.—New Stk.** This subsidiary of the Middle West Utilities has filed a certificate of increase of authorized capital stock from \$6,000,000 to \$10,000,000.—V. 95, p. 1744; V. 96, p. 1020.

**Chicago Milwaukee & St. Paul Ry.—New Bond Issue.**—A press dispatch from Jefferson City, Mo., on Nov. 25 stated that the P. S. Commission of Missouri had given its sanction to a new authorized issue of \$470,000,000 of 99-year gen. ref. mtge. bonds, to bear not in excess of 6% int. and to mature in 2014. The press dispatch says:

The mortgage [which contains 153 printed pages] takes in all the holdings of the company and embraces the feeders it owns as well as the main line. It is issued to take up all old indebtedness of every character. The company at the present time has \$316,428,200 of outstanding bonds and bonds to the amount of \$154,489,500 in its treasury.—V. 97, p. 950, 886.

**Cumberland Railway & Coal Co.—Bonds Pledged.**—See Dominion Steel Corporation under "Indus" below.—V. 92, p. 1435.

**Delaware Lackawanna & Western RR.—Payment Called.**—The company has called for payment on Jan. 5 1914 the remaining \$6,000,000 (50%) of the subscription to the \$12,000,000 stock authorized at the annual meeting of stockholders in February last. The first payment of 50% was made on Feb. 15. Compare V. 95, p. 1745, V. 94, p. 350.—V. 97, p. 1357, 236.

**Denver & Rio Grande RR.—Soldier Summit Detour Line.**—The "Railway & Engineering Review" of Chicago has an illustrated article regarding this new line across the Wasatch mountains in Utah. The article begins with this synopsis:

The Denver & Rio Grande has effected a change in its line over the Wasatch mountains in Utah, being prompted therein by conditions which are practically the reverse of those usually accounting for revision of main line track. The bulk of the freight traffic at this point is in a westerly direction, which, under the old conditions, had to be taken down a 4% grade between Soldier Summit and Tucker, Utah, a distance of 7 miles. While traffic eastward was handled with great difficulty, the most serious limitation came about through the limit to the capacity of air pumps in handling descending trains with safety. By increasing the line a distance of 4½ miles, the maximum grades have been reduced to 2%, which condition is expected to be conducive to much greater economy in operation. (Compare V. 97, p. 811.) [The "Railway Age-Gazette" of N. Y. for Nov. 28 also has a long article about the new line.]—V. 97, p. 1426, 886.

**Ephrata & Lebanon Street Ry.—Bonds.**—H. P. Taylor & Co., Pittsburgh, have purchased \$200,000 1st M. 5% bonds due in 1942, covering, at \$10,000 per mile, the line connecting the cities of Ephrata and Lebanon, Pa., and 14 intermediate towns.

**Erie Cambridge Union & Corry (Electric) Ry.**—See Erie Southern Ry. below.—V. 81, p. 507.

**Erie (Pa.) Southern Ry.—Bonds.**—This company, successor of the bankrupt Erie Cambridge Union & Corry Traction Co. (V. 81, p. 507), has filed notice of the authorization of a funded debt of \$2,000,000.

**Federal Light & Traction Co., N.Y.—New Note Issue—\$725,000 Thereof, Bearing 7% Interest, to Be Offered at par to Stockholders, along with Stock Option Warrants—Underwriting.**—The shareholders will vote Dec. 12 (see adv.) on—

1. The execution of a trust agreement with Columbia-Knickerbocker Trust Co., as trustee, to be dated as of Dec. 1 1913, under which may be issued 10-year gold notes of not exceeding the aggregate of \$10,000,000, dated Dec. 1 1913, payable Dec. 1 1923, to bear such rate of interest not exceeding 7% per annum, and to be redeemable on 30 days' notice at such amount not exceeding 105, as may respectively be fixed by the board from time to time, and designated in such notes when issued.

2. To approve the offering to the stockholders for subscription, at par and int., of \$725,000 of such notes, bearing int. at 7% per annum, and redeemable at 105 and int. up to and including June 1 1921, and thereafter at par and interest.

3. To approve the execution of an agreement with a syndicate for the sale to the syndicate at par and accrued int., of all of such \$725,000 notes as shall not be subscribed and paid for by the stockholders, and to pay to said syndicate a compensation for making said agreement.

4. To approve the issuance, with such \$725,000 of notes to be presently issued and sold, of option warrants for common stock of equal par amount, entitling the holders to obtain such stock at par at any time prior to Dec. 1 1923; payment for such stock to be made in cash or in lieu of such payment by surrender of notes issued under said trust agreement dated Dec. 1 1913, that have been outstanding not less than two years, and have not been called for previous redemption.—V. 97, p. 1772.

**Florida East Coast Ry.—Boat for Havana Ferry.**—The company awarded to the William Cramp & Sons Ship & Engine Building Co. a contract for the construction within 14 months of a 16-knot steel steamer and ferryboat combined, designed to carry 30 passenger or freight cars at one time between Key West and Havana. Contract price, \$500,000.

The ferryboat will complete the last link of the Florida East Coast Ry. service to Cuba. Solid trains of 30 cars will be put on the ferryboat at Key West without the discomfort of changing from railroad cars to steamers, and passengers will be landed without delay and almost as quickly as if the run was an all-rail route. See V. 97, p. 1115, 1281.

**Fort Dodge Des Moines & Southern RR.—Successor Companies.**—Three new companies, then being organized in Maine, on Nov. 27 applied to the Executive Council of Iowa for permission to issue stock as successors of the railroad company, foreclosed, as follows:

Central Iowa Light & Power Co., \$300,000; Fort Dodge Des Moines & Southern RR., \$2,000,000, and Fort Dodge Street Ry., \$100,000.

The Light & Power Co. will acquire the Fraser power plant formerly owned by the Fort Dodge Des Moines & Southern and add a 10,000 h. p. turbine, and will also take over the transmission lines between Des Moines, Ames, Boone, Fort Dodge and Rockwell City; it will assume the business of distributing electricity for light to the cities of Ogdun, Lehigh, Huxley and Ankeny, and will apply for contracts for the lighting of Fort Dodge, Cambridge, Pilot Mound and Farnhamville. The Light & Power Co. will be controlled by Fort Dodge Des Moines & Southern.

The Fort Dodge Street Ry. Co. will take over the 4-mile system at Fort Dodge and operate it independently of the interurban system.—V. 97, p. 1426, 1357.

**Fort Dodge (Ia.) Street Ry.—New Company.**—See Fort Dodge Des Moines & Southern RR. above.

**Grand Trunk Pacific Ry.—Bond Guaranty.**—Premier Sifton of Alberta recently announced that the Government had agreed to increase the bond guaranty of the line from Tofield to Calgary from \$13,000 to \$15,000 per mile.—V. 97, p. 1426, 175.

**Greenville Spartanburg & Anderson (Electric) Ry.**—See Piedmont & Northern Ry. below.—V. 97, p. 803.

**Kansas City Ft. Scott & Memphis Ry.—Earnings.**—

Fiscal Year	Gross Earnings	Net Earnings	Other Income	Fixed Charges	Prof. Divs. (4%)	Balance Surplus
1912-13	\$1,113,655	\$3,973,927	\$584,674	\$2,962,179	\$600,000	\$996,422
1911-12	13,094,365	3,515,035	437,995	2,900,640	540,000	512,390
1910-11	13,546,903	3,708,920	617,574	2,915,659	540,000	870,835

—V. 96, p. 1556.

**Keokuk (Ia.) Electric Co.—Stock.**—The company has increased its capital stock from \$650,000 to \$900,000. See "Electric Railway Section" and V. 93, p. 1725.

**Lehigh & Hudson River Ry.—Earnings.**—

June 30	Gross Earnings	Net (after Taxes)	Other Income	Interest, Rents, &c.	Dividend (4%)	Balance Surplus
1913	\$1,849,435	\$558,760	\$4,933	\$291,519	\$53,600	\$238,574
1912	1,621,891	514,426	13,627	291,282	—	236,771

—V. 95, p. 1396, 1684.

**Lehigh & New England RR.—Lease.**—The company has leased the Panther Creek RR., extending from Tamaqua to Nesquehoning, Pa., and will operate it after Dec. 1. Compare Lehigh Coal & Navigation Co. item, V. 97, p. 668.—V. 96, p. 63.

**Louisville & Nashville RR.—Bonds Called.**—Ninety-seven (\$97,000) Pensacola & Atlantic RR. 6% mortgage bonds due Aug. 1 1921 have been drawn for payment at 110 and interest on Feb. 1 1914 at the company's office, 71 Broadway, New York. See numbers of bonds drawn in advertisement on another page.

**Listed.**—The New York Stock Exchange has listed \$2,026,000 additional Unified 50-year 4% bonds, due 1940, making the total listed \$64,805,000.

Of the bonds, all except \$400 were issued to retire prior lien bonds.

**Earnings.**—For 2 months ending Aug. 31:

Two Months	Gross Earnings	Net (after Taxes)	Other Income	Total Deductns.	Balance Surplus
1913	\$1,017,441	\$2,014,790	\$516,061	\$1,318,195	\$1,212,656
1912	9,394,128	2,202,809	—	—	—

—V. 97, p. 1426, 1286.

**Manchester (N. H.) Traction, Light & Power Co.—Purchase.**—The shareholders have voted to purchase the \$600,000 stock of Nashua Lt., Ht. & Power Co. per plan in V. 97, p. 117, 176.

**Manila Electric RR. & Lighting Corp.—Listed.**—The New York Stock Exchange has listed \$215,000 additional 5% 50-year first lien and collateral trust bonds, making the total listed to date \$5,000,000, the limit of the mortgage.

**Earnings.**—For 6 months ending June 30 1913:

Gross earnings	\$731,705	Replacement & renewals	\$36,800
Net earnings	352,137	Dividends, 3½%	175,000
Int. on bonds, &c.	120,000	Balance, surplus	20,337

—V. 96, p. 1489.

**Minneapolis & St. Louis RR.—Payment of Notes.**—Pres. Newman Erb confirms the statement that the management intends to pay the \$3,000,000 6% notes due Feb. 1.

It is thought likely that part of the issue will be paid off in cash and a new note issue for a reduced amount made somewhat after the method adopted when \$4,000,000 notes matured Feb. 1 1913. At that time those note-holders who accepted the extension received a cash payment of \$15 for each \$1,000 note so exchanged (V. 96, p. 136, 360).

**Minneapolis Terminal Co.—Incorporation.**—This company has been incorporated with \$500,000 stock by officials of the Minneapolis & St. Louis RR. W. G. Bierd is Pres., L. G. Scott, Sec., and W. W. Cole, Treas.—V. 96, p. 1702.

**New Orleans Texas & Mexico Ry.—Receiver's Certifs.**—See St. Louis & San Francisco RR. above.—V. 97, p. 1427, 1287.

**New York New Haven & Hartford RR.—No Action Yet on Dividend.**—Following the meeting of the directors on Nov. 21, Chairman Elliott stated that the matter of the dividend rate for the next quarter had not been discussed and that the dividend would be acted upon in December.

General discussion of reorganization to meet the wishes of the Government and reports of progress by committees of the board which has been investigating the New Haven trolley interests in western Massachusetts, its steamship holdings and relations with the Boston & Albany, occupied the meeting.

**Time for Subscription.**—At the meeting of the board on Nov. 21 it was stated that "the time within which subscriptions under outstanding warrants for convertible debentures of 1913 will be received by the company is hereby extended so as to expire at the close of business on Jan. 20 1914 on condition that payment in full be made at the time of subscription of the face amount of debentures subscribed for, together with interest at the rate of 6% per annum from Oct. 1 to date of subscription.—V. 97, p. 1504, 1427.

**North & South Carolina Ry.—Option.**—See Seaboard Air Line Ry. below.—V. 96, p. 1157.

**Northern Illinois Electric Ry.—Receivership.**—Judge Farran at Dixon, Ill., on or about Nov. 23, appointed Andrew Aschenbrenner receiver of the property.

Under construction or projected from Amboy to DeKalb, Ill., 50 miles track, of which at last accounts 12 miles, Amboy to Middlebury, was in operation. E. L. King, Isabella Bldg., Chicago, President. Bonded debt said to be \$160,000; floating debt (?).

**Pacific Gas & Electric Co., San Francisco.—First of the Company's South Yuba Hydro-Electric Plants in Successful Operation.**—A telegram has been received by the N. Y. bankers of the company to the effect that the first plant (Drum No. 1) of the comprehensive South Yuba system of hydro-electric plants has just been placed in successful operation. The South Yuba system contemplates an ultimate development of nearly 200,000 h.p., of which the so-called



Drum No. 1 plant has a peak capacity of 33,000 h.p. An authoritative statement says:

The power available from this plant will relieve the company from the shortage of power from which it has recently suffered owing to the constantly increasing demands for power, and, looking toward the future, will place it in a very strong position in this respect through having the additional powers that are available to be developed at a comparatively low cost per h.p. The series of proposed power developments is made possible by the regulation of the flow of the South Yuba River by the construction of a reinforced concrete gravity-type dam located in the Narrow Gorge formed of solid granite affording an absolutely stable foundation. This dam is designed for an ultimate height of 305 ft., but at present has been carried to a height of only 225 ft., which will impound 43,630 acre ft. of water that will regulate the flow of the river for the present purposes.

**Earnings.**—For Oct. in 1913 and 1912, show:

Oct.—	1913.	1912.	Inc. (%)	Oct.—	1913.	1912.	Inc. (%)
Gross—	\$1,315,227	\$1,186,352	10.86	Misc. inc.	\$42,185	\$23,956	45.60
Net —	527,560	416,498	26.66	Tot. net.	569,745	445,454	27.90

"Net revenue" above is after deducting taxes.—V. 97, p. 951, 887.

**Panther Creek RR.**—Lease.— See Lehigh & New England RR. above.

**Piedmont & Northern (Electric) Ry.**—Merger Plan.— The shareholders, it is stated, will vote Dec. 20 on increasing the capital stock from \$5,000,000 to \$15,000,000 as part of the plan, it is understood, for merging under this title the Piedmont Traction Co. and the Greenville Spartanburg & Anderson Ry. (allies of the Southern Power Co.), as said in V. 92, p. 1499. W. S. Lee is President; Z. V. Taylor, Vice-President, and N. A. Cooke, Sec. and Treas. See pages 32 and 63, "Elec. Ry." Section.—V. 95, p. 619.

**Piedmont Traction Co.**—Proposed Merger.— See Piedmont & Northern Ry. above.—V. 92, p. 1500.

**St. Louis Rocky Mountain & Pacific Co.**—Listed.— The New York Stock Exchange has listed \$4,235,000 Bankers Trust Co. certificates of deposit for 1st M. 5% 50-year bonds (under agreement dated Aug. 1 1913 for the sale of the same to the Acheson Topeka & Santa Fe Ry. (V. 97, p. 366, 445, 803), with authority to add \$7,606,000 on notice of exchange for outstanding bonds.—V. 97, p. 1283, 803.

**St. Louis & San Francisco RR.**—Annual Report.— See extracts from report on subsequent pages

**Explanations as to Evidence Submitted in Hearing Last Week.**—The following statements have been given out:

**Digest of Statement Made by Speyer & Co., Nov. 21 1913.**  
The press dispatches reporting the examination by the Inter-State Commerce Commission at St. Louis of certain officials of the St. Louis & San Francisco RR. Co., and of others, in regard to past financial transactions, create the impression that our firm improperly had a part or assisted in promoting certain syndicates that built branch lines which were afterwards purchased by the company. The facts in this connection, so far as we are concerned, are as follows:

We never promoted any such syndicates nor were we subscribers to any such syndicates. When requested early in 1909, we did purchase a \$100,000 participation certificate of the St. Louis Brownsville & Mexico RR. syndicate, which had been formed in 1903, six years previous. This transaction we consider a perfectly proper one for us to make. At that time no partner of our firm was a director in the St. Louis & San Francisco RR., nor was our firm represented in any way in the management of this corporation. Nor was any member of our firm a director of the said company in 1910 when the St. Louis Brownsville & Mexico RR. Co. was purchased. In fact, we only learned of this purchase after it had been approved by the then board. Nevertheless, with other bankers, we agreed later on to assist the company in meeting its financial requirements resulting partly from this acquisition.

According to newspaper dispatches the examiner also produced a letter, written by C. W. Hillard to President Winchell in 1910, in which he stated that we had asked him for a "rearrangement of statistics." From this letter the examiner is reported to have inferred that these suggestions from us were changes in statistics "to help the appearance of the report." We resent and protest against such inferences. Everybody knows that it is customary for bankers to carefully examine and go over financial statements furnished for publication. In fact, we consider it our duty to do so; and, if necessary, to make suggestions, both as to form and substance, so that these statements may meet the requirements of clients and give a fair and intelligible presentation of the actual state of affairs.

**Digest of Subsequent Statement Made by Speyer & Co. Nov. 25 1913.**  
We have now obtained a copy of the letter which Mr. Hillard wrote in 1910 to Mr. Winchell, stating that we asked the company "to make a rearrangement of some of the statistics," &c. We find that only part of this letter was read by the examiner at the hearing, and that the facts are substantially as follows:

The company had furnished us at that time with a draft of a prospectus which was to be submitted to the Berlin Stock Exchange and German Government authorities, and on examination we found that this draft did not give a correct and intelligible statement of the company's financial affairs. We found:

1. The company had in this draft overstated its liabilities by mentioning on the liability side \$8,000,000 notes which had outstanding and also \$10,000,000 of its New Orleans Division bonds which were deposited as security for these same notes.

2. The company had included in its liabilities "notes payable" of \$3,063,687 due to "Brownsville Syndicate account balance purchase price of Brownsville Road." We had repeatedly been informed that there was nothing due by the company in this connection, because its debt for the purchase of the Brownsville line had been discharged by payment in bonds. We insisted that this transaction should be carried out as promised, and the note or floating debt was liquidated by an actual sale of bonds.

3. The cash on hand as of June 30 1909 was stated as \$5,106,354, while in the annual report for 1908-09 the amount was shown to be \$4,520,982. We asked for an explanation of the apparent discrepancy, and insisted that the explanation should also be given in the company's regular report or parallel columns be related to enable proper comparisons.

4. We also claimed that in reporting earnings monthly to the public, the company should include the mileage and earnings of the New Orleans Texas & Mexico Division, which at that time were unfavorable, and that excluding them would be misleading.

The company admitted the justice of our criticisms, and of our demands, and made the changes accordingly. These changes were in effect a good deal more than a mere "rearrangement of statistics" "to make a better appearance." The propriety of our position in this matter and our purpose in asking for these changes surely cannot be questioned by any fair-minded person.

**Statement by Receiver Thomas H. West as to Brownsville Road.**  
So much has been said about the profits on the sale of the St. Louis Brownsville & Mexico RR. Co. to the St. Louis & San Francisco that I feel called upon to make a statement of facts. The sale of the road was made for \$11,827,200. The road was built by a syndicate at a total cost, as shown by statement furnished the I. C. Commission, of \$9,708,758. Of this amount, \$3,981,000 was paid in by the syndicate subscribers. The balance of \$5,727,758 necessary to complete the enterprise was obtained by the syndicate through sales of bonds and notes to the syndicate subscribers and the public. Add to this interest at the rate of 6% per annum paid semi-annually for the average time on the \$3,981,000 cash paid in by the syndicate subscribers, \$1,381,000, showing the net cost, with interest, \$11,089,758. Deducting this from the sale price would leave \$737,441.

Before constructing the road, land and cash donations were secured as an inducement to the syndicate to build the road, out of which was sufficient to furnish the right-of-way, depot grounds and terminals. From the balance of land and cash donations was realized the sum of \$892,487, showing a profit to the syndicate of \$1,639,929, but showing also that the cost to the Frisco was only \$737,442 over and above the actual cost of the property with right-of-way, depot grounds and terminals free. The above are the results after the syndicate had carried for about six years.

**French Committees.**—The French bondholders at a meeting at the Hotel Continental in Paris on Nov. 17 voted:

1. That a committee for the protection of French holders of the 5% general lien bonds be appointed, and that a separate committee for the holders of the 4½% New Orleans Texas & Mexico bonds be appointed.
2. That these committees go to the United States and participate in the discussion of reorganization schemes, submitting to a further meeting of French bondholders any measure which would tend to modify the rights of French bondholders.

Henri De Peyster, Inspector of Finance, who spent some time in the United States, advised the formation of these separate committees, and recommended that the French bondholders stand aloof until engineers' reports as to the company's condition and its reorganization plans are made public.

**Reasons for Receivership.**—Chairman Yoakum at the aforesaid hearings gave his explanation of the receivership:

(1) The failure of the road to sell Arizona and New Mexico lands, for \$6,000,000 to \$7,000,000, by which deal the company hoped to get enough money to meet pressing obligations.

(2) The loss suffered by the Frisco on an investment in Texas and Louisiana lumber properties.

(3) The loss of more than \$150,000 each year for eleven years on the ownership of the Chicago & Eastern Illinois, and the company's failure to sell a half interest in the road.

[Mr. Yoakum also told of his plan for a water-grade line from St. Louis to Colon, on the Panama Canal.]

**Loan of North American Co.**—Treasurer Frank S. Hamilton testified in brief:

The \$400,000 loan made by the North American Co. to the railroad company—the loan on which the receivership proceedings were based—was originally for \$625,000, and the original security was \$8,000,000 of the bonds of the Arizona & New Mexico Land Co. After the loan had been reduced to \$400,000, James Campbell of St. Louis, President of the North American Co., asked for additional security. The road then put up \$5,000,000 of the capital stock and \$250,000 of the bonds of the New Orleans, Texas & Mexico Ry.

**W. K. Bixby Resigns from Board of Directors.**— W. K. Bixby has resigned from the board.

**Receiver's Certificates on Texas Lines.**—The certificates issued by Frank Andrews as receiver of the Texas lines are to be delivered to Receiver John D. O'Keefe of the New Orleans Texas & Mexico RR. in return for the portion of the proceeds of the certificates issued by the latter which are turned over to his use. (Compare V. 97, p. 1505 and New Orleans Texas & Mexico item, V. 97, p. 1204).

Under the laws of Texas separate certificates must be issued by the receivers of the several roads for whose benefit the proceeds are to be applied. The certificates on the Texas lines (St. Louis Brownsville & Mexico, &c.) will, however, not be sold, but be delivered to the receiver of the New Orleans Texas & Mexico as collateral security for advances made.—V. 97, p. 1505, 1427.

**Seaboard Air Line Ry.**—Option.—President Harahan has informed the South Carolina RR. Commission that the company has an option on the stock of the North & South Carolina Ry., but has not exercised it.

The company, it is stated, has a traffic agreement with the North & South Carolina and has aided it in placing securities. The Charleston & Northern Ry. recently applied for a certificate of incorporation in South Carolina to build from Andrews to Charleston, S. C., 57 miles. The construction of this road, it is pointed out, would afford the Seaboard company a direct entrance to Charleston.—V. 97, p. 1199, 1205, 1218, 514.

**Southern Pacific Co.**—Settlement.—The strike on the Sunset lines which began on Nov. 13 was ended on Nov. 17.

Both sides accepted a proposal of the Federal Board of Mediation and Conciliation that the railroad meet a joint committee from the engineers, firemen, conductors and trainmen for the discussion of the 67 alleged grievances presented. The terms of settlement included the company's agreement to meet the joint committee for the settlement of grievances, the union agreement to return to service immediately, restoration of all strikers to service without prejudice, and reference to the Federal Board of all matters on which the conference committees cannot agree.

**Rate Reduction.**—The company has announced a reduction of its proportional rates on Asiatic freight.

This is taken as an indication of the great effort the transcontinental railroads are making to take or to hold a full share of the export and import business of the country through the opening of the Panama Canal.

The rates announced are said to be the lowest ever made and apply to all points in the United States. They place San Francisco in an advantageous position to command shipments through its port to and from the Orient and to compete more successfully with Puget Sound ports.—V. 97, p. 1358, 1287.

**Southern Ry.**—Death of President.—President William Wilson Finley died at Washington on Nov. 25, following a stroke of apoplexy.—V. 97, p. 1205, 1132.

**Southwestern Utilities Corporation.**—Tenders of Notes.

The Bankers Trust Co. is advertising for proposals to be submitted at its office on or before Dec. 2 for the sale of 5-year 6% notes issued under trust agreement of June 15 1912, to exhaust a further sum of \$100,010.

**Final Call on Underwriters 10%, Due Dec. 8.**—The underwriters have been called upon to pay on Dec. 8 the final 10% of their subscription for the present issue of \$10,000,000 5-yr. 6% gold notes. The following is pronounced correct:

Total authorized issue, \$15,000,000, all of which has been subscribed for, but with the understanding that no call would be made on the remaining \$5,000,000 until the first \$10,000,000 had been fully paid. On Oct. 31 1913 there had been issued \$9,842,000 notes, a large number of subscribers having paid their full subscription. Of this amount \$5,522,500 was retired by money accruing from the sale of securities of underlying companies. This leaves \$4,319,500 of the notes outstanding, a majority of which is owned by the American Power & Light Co. Compare V. 97, p. 121; V. 95, p. 1126.—V. 97, p. 1360, 1428.

**Tonopah & Tidewater RR.**—Application.—The company has applied to the Cal. RR. Commission for authority to issue \$294,000 bonds to construct a line of narrow-gauge railroad 17 miles in length in Inyo County, from the Biddy McCarty borax mine owned by the Pacific Coast Borax Co. to the Ryan branch of the railroad company.—V. 91, p. 1712.

**Union Street Ry., New Bedford, Mass.**—Bonds.—The shareholders recently authorized an issue of \$2,000,000 20-year 4½% mtge. bonds to provide for extensions, improvements, funding floating debt and refunding existing bonds.

The Mass. P. S. Commission has been asked to sanction the issue of \$250,000 of the new bonds to take up part of the \$500,000 5% bonds due Jan. 2 1914.—V. 91, p. 1096.

**Union Traction Co., Philadelphia.**—Assessment Talk Discredited.—"Phila. News Bureau" on Nov. 21 said:



Feeling about Union Traction improved so much yesterday that it may be said that the assessment scare is over. At the best price yesterday, 45½, the stock showed a recovery of 4 points from the low.

The alarm among the stockholders was allayed when several persons in authority declared, without qualification, that an assessment would not be called. In making the lease to the Phila. Rapid Transit Co., every precaution was taken to make the Union Traction stock unassessable. The most celebrated lawyer in Philadelphia has given it as his opinion that the lease is absolutely impregnable on this point. The only kind of an assessment that could be levied would be a voluntary one, and every share of stock would have to assent to such plan or it would fail, if this view is correct.

It has been suggested repeatedly that in order to enable Rapid Transit to participate in the Taylor subway and elevated plans, a proposition might be made to Union Traction to furnish the necessary funds on such favorable terms that the Union stockholders would welcome the opportunity. It might be pointed out that the times are not favorable to financial operations of this kind and that a large portion of the stock is held by estates, executors, trustees, &c., who could not legally go into such plan. As to the probability or improbability of a default that would break the lease, an opinion may best be reached by a study of the progress made by the Rapid Transit Co. since it came under the present management.—V. 96, p. 555.

**Washington (D. C.) Ry. & Electric Co.—Dividend Increased.**—An extra dividend of 1% has been declared on the \$6,500,000 common stock in addition to the regular quarterly distribution of 1½%, both payable Dec. 1 to holders of record Nov. 15, comparing with 1½% in June and Sept. last, 1% quarterly from March 1912 to March 1913 and 1% semi-annually from Dec. 1909 to Dec. 1911, inclusive.

*Common Dividend Record (Per Cent).*

1909.	1910.	1911.	1912.	1913.
1	2	1	4	Mar., 1; June, 1½; Sept., 1½
—V. 96, p. 1361, 945.				

**West End St. Ry., Boston.—Stock.**—The shareholders voted Nov. 25 to issue \$350,000 new common stock to fund floating debt incurred for additions and improvements.

This will increase the outstanding common stock to \$12,730,150. Total bonded debt, \$18,871,000 June 30 1913, against \$18,276,000 June 30 1912.—V. 97, p. 1505.

**West Penn Traction & Water Power Co.—6% Secured Notes of Hydro-Electric Co. of West Virginia.**—See that company under "Industrials" below.

**Statement Published On or About Nov. 17 1913.**

In order to care for its large amount of new business, the West Penn Traction & Water Power Co. is now installing a new generator at its central steam plant near Connellsville of 25,000 h.p. There is no doubt in the minds of the officers of the company but that the power from the new hydro-electric installation in the Cheat River will find a ready market when the plant is completed. About 100 men are now working on this plant, which is being constructed by the Hydro-Electric Co. of West Virginia. With the reorganization of American Water Works & Guarantee Co. and the financing of its utility properties, arrangement will be made to complete this plant as rapidly as possible. The reports of the engineers on the West Penn and subsidiaries have been completed and are in the hands of the reorganization committee, and it is understood that they are very satisfactory both as to the operating properties and on the Cheat River hydro-electric proposition.

For the week ended Nov. 1 the gain in power business of the West Penn and its subsidiaries was 798 h.p. in motors, in addition to the gain in lighting and traction business. Early in 1912 a contract was entered into with Pittsburgh Coal Co. for the electrification of all mines, some 52 in number, which could be reached by the power company's lines. As yet only a few of these mines have been connected, but the coal company is making arrangements to install a large additional amount of electrical equipment. Midland No. 1 mine has been connected with 450 h.p. in motors.

Pittsburgh Coal Co. is now opening two new mines on the extension of the Montour RR. and both these will be operated by current from the West Penn. Logansport Coal Co. has contracted for 150 h.p. and Paulton Coal Co. for 60 h.p. Latrobe Electric Steel Co., which has just completed its plant, is operating its electric furnace with West Penn current, the average consumption being about 1,000 k.w. per ton of manufactured steel.

At the Waverly mine at West Newton the Pittsburgh Coal Co. is erecting a power house which will be operated by current from the West Penn plants. The Meadowslands Coal Co., since the installation of electric power, has broken all records in production, and this company is to add 450 h.p. for hoists and fans, which will completely electrify its mines.—V. 97, p. 1288.

**INDUSTRIAL, GAS AND MISCELLANEOUS.**

**American Gas & Electric Co., N. Y.—New Stock.**—

The directors on Nov. 24 authorized the issue and sale, at par, of \$500,000 common stock. Holders of record Nov. 28 of common stock and voting trust certificates for common stock are entitled to subscribe for one share of such new common stock for each six shares owned by them, respectively. Formal notice stating terms, &c., will be issued later.—V. 97, p. 1117, 667.

**Anglo-American Oil Co.—Two Methods for Obtaining Stock Dividend Authorized Aug. 1.**—

The company announces two methods by which American stockholders may receive the 100% stock dividend authorized on Aug. 1, bringing the total capital to \$2,000,000.

(1) Stockholders to deposit their share warrants with the Guaranty Trust Co. and authorize the latter on a form (to be furnished on request) to apply for the new shares in its own name. The oil company will then issue the new share warrants to the Guaranty Trust Co. direct, which will distribute them to the proper owners.

(2) Holders of share warrants to deposit them at said Trust Co. on or after Nov. 26, with a statement requesting the allotment in shares in payment of the dividend. If this method is used it will mean a delay of four or five weeks, as the form of statement in this case can be dealt with only in the London office.—V. 97, p. 1205, 598.

**Atlantic Gas & Electric Co.—Bonds Offered.**—Meikleham & Dinsmore of N. Y., Phila. and Boston, are offering at 93 and int., "Series A 1st (collat. lien)" s. f. 5% gold bonds, dated Dec. 1 1912 and due Dec. 1 1922, but redeemable for (3%) sink. fd. at 103 and int.; for any other purpose at 105 and int. The firm reports:

**Bonds.**—Secured by mortgage to Amer. Trust Co. of Boston, as trustee, pledging the securities below mentioned (being chiefly in Oct. 1913 the stocks and notes subject to the outstanding underlying bonds mentioned below, of the controlled cos.—Ed.). Outstanding bonds to be limited to 75% of appraised value of collateral. Annual sink. fund 3% from Dec. 1 1914. Par: c, \$500 and \$1,000; r, \$1,000 and multiples.

**Preferred Stock.**—Entitled to cumulative dividends at rate of 6% per annum, payable Q-F 15, pref. p. & d. Convertible into an equal amount at par of common stock on any dividend date. Pref. stock has no voting powers, except for increases or decreases of capital stock and on other statutory questions, unless the company shall fail to pay any two consecutive quarterly dividends on the pref. stock. Par \$100.

	Years ending		
	Oct. 31 '12.	Mar. 31 '13.	July 31 '13.
Consolid. income of sub. properties.	\$1,021,869	\$1,080,500	\$1,117,539
Net surplus from subsidiaries and "Income resources available for co"	198,462	201,774	208,643
Other income.	69,165	63,027	65,497
Total gross income resources.	\$267,627	\$264,801	\$274,140
Expense deductions.	28,446	27,785	28,415
Net income "resources" (see below)	\$239,181	\$237,016	\$245,725
Int. on \$2,000,000 of 5% Ser. "A" bds.	100,000	100,000	100,000
Bal. (incl. undiv. surp. of sub. cos.)	\$139,181	\$137,016	\$145,725

Dividends at the rate of 6% per an. have been paid on the \$1,750,000 pref. stock, calling for \$105,000 yearly, viz.: Feb. 15 1913, 1½%; May, 1½%; Aug., 1½%; Nov., 1½%.

**Digest of Statement by Pres. D. L. Babcock, N. Y., Jan. 25 1913.**  
Incorporated in Connecticut [April 2 1912] to control and develop established gas and electric properties.

Capitalization—	Authorized.	Now Issuable.
Convertible 6% cumulative pref. stock	\$5,000,000	\$1,750,000
Common stock (see below)	7,500,000	3,500,000
First lien sk. fd. 5% gold bds. in series. Ser. A.	2,500,000	2,000,000

\$500,000 reserved for acquisition of securities not included in plan, but in part under contract and in part under option.

Note.—\$234,830 additional of pref. stk. and \$500,000 additional of common stock has been agreed to be issued in connection with the above purchase which the company is earning 6% per annum on all pref. stock outstanding and 2% on all common stock outstanding, including same.

The initial issue of bonds and stocks as above is made to enable us to provide \$500,000 of working capital and to acquire the following securities [practically all, it is stated, taken over, remainder under option]: Notes and 1st M. bonds, \$1,550,000; pref. stocks, \$1,350,000; com. stocks, \$3,450,000.

Results to Company on Basis of Year ending Oct. 31 1912.

"Annual resources" of the co., based upon the annual resources from (a) net earnings of the cos. which have issued the last named securities; (b) from interest on loans to said corporations; (c) from managerial and engineering services which would have been performed by our company; total, \$267,627, less expenses of engineering and management, \$28,446; net.	\$239,181
Interest on \$2,000,000 5% ser. "A" bonds and dividends on \$1,750,000 6% pref. stock	205,000

Surplus, balance, after allowing for interest and pref. dividends. \$34,181

**Property.**—The company has acquired control, through stock ownership, of the following properties: Eastern Pennsylvania Power Co. (V. 94, p. 210, 354), controlling the Easton Gas Works; Chemung Land Co.; The Jersey Corporation; Sayre Electric Co. (V. 94, p. 566, 1321); Nazareth Illum. Gas Co. and Pennsylvania Utilities Co. of Nazareth. The Binghamton Lt., Ht. & Pow. Co. is an allied (if not a controlled) property.

The electric generating stations (see below) are 12 in number, comprising 8 steam plants and 4 hydro-electric plants. These plants have installed sufficient electrical generators and auxiliaries to develop 20,500 h.p., of which the capacity of the steam plants is about 16,300 h.p. and of the water power plants about 4,250 h.p. In addition there are riparian rights and real estate in connection therewith, capable of developing economically about 5,100 electrical h.p. additional. The generating capacity of the gas plants [at Nazareth and Easton] is 690,000 cu. ft. daily. There are two steam-heating systems, using exhaust steam, a total of 14,675 ft. of pipe. Principal franchises are perpetual. Only 5 out of 56 franchises are limited as to time and these run beyond 1922. The majority of the properties are located within 70 miles, and all are within five hours' ride of N. Y. City or Philadelphia.

[A map shows (1) steam electric stations (a) at Binghamton, N. Y., serving also Port Dickinson and Lestershire; (b) at Sayre, Pa., serving also Athens, Pa., and Waverly, N. Y.; (c) one at Bangor, Pa., and two at Easton, Pa., these three being connected with one another and with (2) hydro-electric plants at Columbia, N. J., Stroudsburg, Pa., and Phillipsburg, N. J., and prospectively with a projected hydro-electric plant at Bushkill, Pa., on the Delaware River and also prospectively with (3) steam electric stations, now controlled, at Dover and Bernardsville, these two stations being interconnected and serving also Rockaway, Wharton, Mendham, Bedminster, Gladstone and Chester (4) steam electric station at Morristown, N. J., this station being owned by Morris & Somerset Electric Co., in which the Atlantic Gas & Elec. Co. owns a minority interest, a majority of the \$116,500 stock being held in an independent voting trust; generating capacity (included in foregoing total), 1,650 k.w. See separate statement for that company above.]

Two new electric turbines, it is reported, are being installed, one at Easton of 5,000 k.w., one at Binghamton of 2,500 k.w. [A handsomely illustrated prospectus issued by the Atlantic Gas & El. Co. in Oct. 1913 gave the total capacity of electric generators and auxiliaries as 27,500 h.p.]

Directors (and officers): Arthur D. Lord, N. Y., Pres.; Carl M. Pihl, Easton, V.-Pres.; Francis V. Shannon, Treas., and Albert B. Cheadle, Sec. Charles S. Carscallen and Edgerton Parsons of N. Y. City, Thomas Sec. Perkins, Hartford, Conn., William B. Dinsmore and T. M. R. Meikleham, of Meikleham & Dinsmore; John Miller, Nazareth, Pa.—N. Y. office, 25 Broad St., New York.

**Approx. Outstanding Capitalization of Underlying Operating Cos. Pennsylvania Utilities Co. stock (\$2,000,000 authorized)----- (7)**

(1) Eastern Pennsylvania Power Co.—	\$1,880,000; underlying bonds, 2 issues, \$245,000 (Eastern Power Co. 5s due Oct. 1940, \$120,000; Bernard Elec. 1st M. 60-year 5s, due July 1971, guaranteed by Eastern Penn. Power Co., \$125,000);—\$2,125,000
(2) Penn. Utilities Co. proposed new M. (see below), \$25,000,000	None
Sayre (Pa.) Electric Co. stock (\$100,000 is pref.)	250,000
1st M. 5s of 1907 (V. 94, p. 566), auth., \$750,000; out (Feb. '12)	210,000
5-year 6% convertible notes (V. 92, p. 193); \$40,000; Waverly El. Lt. & P. Co. bonds, \$40,000	80,000
Binghamton Light, Heat & Power Co. stock (\$150,000 is pref.)	650,000
1st M. (now 1st) M. of 1902 (V. 75, p. 187; V. 88, p. 946)	500,000
Morris & Somerset Elec. Co. capital stock (minority int. owned)	116,500
1st M. 30-year 5% gold sinking fund bonds of 1910 (callable at 105; authorized \$1,000,000)	250,000
Jersey Corporation, Boonton, N. J.	(7)

On Oct. 30 1913 there was approved a merger of the Pennsylvania Utilities Co. (auth. cap. stock \$40,000) with the Eastern Pennsylvania Power Co. (cap. stock issued \$70,000 pref. and \$2,900,000 common, largely owned by Atl. Gas & El. Co.), forming Pennsylvania Utilities Co., with an authorized capital stock of \$2,000,000 (\$1,000,000 pref.). A meeting of the shareholders of the last-named company has been called for Dec. 30 to vote on increasing the indebtedness from nothing to \$25,000,000. Officers: Carl M. Pihl, Pres., Easton, Pa.; Arthur D. Lord, V.-Pres., Summit, N. J.; F. V. Shannon, Treas., 450 W. 149th St., N. Y.; A. B. Cheadle, Sec., 622 W. 141st St., N. Y.

The New Jersey Corp. of Boonton, N. J., in Oct. 1913 owned a steam elec. plant of 300 k.w., which was being increased by 500 k.w., and contemplated a further 1,000 k.w. capacity in steam turbo-units and eventually a 2,400 k.w. hydro-electric plant.

**Baltic Mining Co.—U. S. Supreme Court Upholds Tax.**—

The U. S. Supreme Court on Nov. 3, by a divided vote, sustained the Massachusetts law which imposes a tax of one-fiftieth of one per cent per annum upon the par value of stocks of foreign corporations which have a place of business in the State. The cases were those of the Baltic Mining Co., a Michigan corporation, and S. S. White Dental Co., incorporated under the laws of Pennsylvania. Justice Day announced the minority opinion, Chief Justice White and Justices Van Devanter and Pitney dissenting. The companies opposed the tax on the ground that it is an unlawful burden on inter-State commerce, and takes property without due process of law. Railroad, telegraph, telephone and similar corporations are exempted from the operation of the law.—V. 96, p. 1426.

**Big Lost River Irrigation Co.—Decision.**—

The U. S. Circuit Court of Appeals at San Francisco on Nov. 17 handed down a decision in the litigation which has involved the project since 1910, upholding Judge Dietrich of the Idaho District of the U. S. District Court, who ruled in favor of the mechanic's lien of the Corey Bros. Construction Co., and entered a judgment of approximately \$650,000 in favor of that concern, and ordered a receiver's sale to satisfy it. There is said to be little chance of an appeal being taken from the decision just rendered, and it is believed the project will now be reorganized and completed without loss of time.—V. 92, p. 528.

**Bond County (Ill.) Coal Co.—Guar. Bonds.**—Peabody, Houghteling & Co., Chicago, recently offered at par and int. \$120,000 1st M. serial 6% sinking fund gold bonds.

Dated July 1 1913. Due \$12,000 each July 1 1915 to 1924, but redeemable in reverse of numerical order on any interest date at 101 and accrued int. during the first year, at 101½ and int. during second year, 102 and int. during third year, and 102½ and int. thereafter. Par \$500 and \$1,000 (ct\*)



P. & I. payable at Central Trust Co., Chicago, trustee, and at First Nat. Bank in N. Y. Total auth., \$500,000; now issued, \$120,000; reserved for the acquisition of additional coal at a rate not to exceed \$10 per acre, \$380,000. These last, if issued, will mature \$23,000 each year from July 1 1915 to July 1 1924 and \$50,000 yearly from July 1 1925 to July 1 1927, incl. Sinking fund 3 cts. per ton mined.

A first mortgage upon 12,000 acres of thick vein standard Illinois coal, owned in fee simple, located in Bond County, and containing not less than 84,000,000 tons of recoverable coal which we value at \$25 per acre, or a total of \$300,000. These bonds are guaranteed, p. & i., by endorsement on each bond by the Peabody Coal Co. of New Jersey, which has a net worth in paid-in capital, surplus and reserves of \$4,028,361. (Incorporated in N. J. Mar. 10 1903 with \$1,500,000 stock (in \$100 shares), possibly since increased. For Ohio Co., see V. 34, p. 935.)

Incorp. in Illinois with an issued capital stock of \$200,000. The company does not at present intend to operate the Bond County properties, but merely to hold them as reserve for future operations. The property has been thoroughly prospected with diamond core drills, which show it to be underlain with No. 6 Illinois vein of a very clean character, with a strong rock and slate roof and the hard fire- clay bottom which are so essential to economical mining. The thickness of the vein in Montgomery, Fayette and Bond counties ranges from 6½ ft. to 9 ft. The C. B. & Q. R.R. runs directly through the property.

#### Caney River Gas Co.—Merger Plans.—

See Oklahoma Natural Gas Co. below.—V. 97, p. 598.

#### Central District Telephone Co.—New Stock, &c.—The

shareholders on Nov. 25 adopted the motions:

1. Increasing the capital stock from \$15,000,000 to \$25,000,000.
2. Increasing the indebtedness "from nothing to \$25,000,000."
3. Purchasing Central Allegheny Valley Telep. Co. See V. 97, p. 952.

#### Central Iowa Light & Power Co.—New Company.—

See Fort Dodge Des Moines & Southern R.R. under "Railroads" above.

#### Connecticut River Power Transmission Co.—

See Massachusetts Company below.

#### Dartmouth Mfg. Corporation, New Bedford,—\$800,000 New Common Stock—\$400,000 to Represent a Portion of Accumulated Surplus, \$400,000 for New Capital—Plan.

The stockholders having voted on Nov. 24 to increase the capital stock from \$1,800,000 (consisting of \$600,000 pref. and \$1,200,000 common) to \$2,600,000 (par \$100) by the addition of \$800,000 common stock, the common stockholders of record Nov. 25 are offered the right to subscribe for the new stock at par, on or before Dec. 15, in the proportion of two new shares for each three shares now held, subscriptions payable Dec. 30.

A dividend of 33 1-3% was declared Nov. 24 1913 from the surplus, payable on Dec. 30 1913, to common stockholders of record Dec. 15 1913, at 10 a. m. The common stockholders are accordingly "entitled to subscribe on or before Dec. 15 1913 for two new shares for each three shares of present holdings, the same to be issued Dec. 30 1913, on payment of \$100 in addition to the dividend payable at that date on each three shares of their present holdings." In other words, if the common shareholder desires to subscribe for his proportion of the new stock, the dividend of 33 1-3 per share may be applied in part payment.

President Walter H. Langshaw says that this increase of stock is made "because of the unsettled condition of industrial and financial affairs and because of the false impression which prevails in the minds of many regarding the net return on money required to conduct the business in consequence of a capitalization much below cost or value." [There are \$800,000 bonds outstanding. At last accounts there was a floating debt of about \$415,000, which presumably the \$400,000 new cash would be used to pay.—V. 89, p. 531.]

#### Dominion Steel Corp.—6% Notes Offered in London.—

There were offered publicly in London at 97, subscription books closing Nov. 21, £700,000 (\$3,500,000) 5-year 6% secured notes due Dec. 1 1918, but red. in whole or in part (when drawn) on any int. date at par on 60 days' notice. Total auth. issue, £1,000,000. The "Toronto Globe" on Nov. 27 quoted cable dispatches as saying that the public had taken 28% of the £700,000 and the underwriters further 20%, making total subscription 48%. Denominations £200 and £100 (c\*). Int. payable J. & D., free of all Canadian taxes.

The notes are secured by a trust deed in favor of the National Trust Co. of Canada, and are a specific charge on £734,000 5% Dominion Iron & Steel Co. consols and £200,000 5% Cumberland Ry. & Coal Co. 1st M. bonds. The nominal value of the security bonds is 133% of the new issue. The remaining notes (£300,000) may be issued against a further deposit of £220,600 of Dominion Iron & Steel 5 per cents and £179,400 Cumberland Ry. & Coal Co. 1st M. bonds, or after the redemption of £308,000 of the present issue, without additional security.

#### Data from Official Prospectus.

The subscription of this issue has been guaranteed by the International Financial Society, Ltd.

The Corporation owns the whole (except a purely nominal amount) of the issued ordinary shares of the Dominion Coal Co., Ltd., and the Dominion Iron & Steel Co., Ltd., amounting together to \$35,800,000, and \$3,500,000 6% income bonds of each of these companies; also investments in minor subsidiaries. The earnings for the last two years available for int. on these notes, after full allowance for depreciation, were: Years ending Mar. 31 1912, \$1,835,169; 1913, \$2,372,667. Interest on notes now offered, £42,000.

The interim statement, not yet audited, shows that for the 6 mos. ended Sept. 30 1913 these earnings amounted to \$1,548,902, or at the rate of over £600,000 a year.

The dividend upon our \$7,000,000 pref. shares is 6% per annum, and for each of the last two years the dividend upon the \$36,897,700 ordinary shares has been at rate of 4%. The sum distributed as dividends in the last fiscal year was thus \$1,714,601. The interest upon the notes ranks in priority to any dividend payment.

The Corporation has no mortgage or general charge upon its assets, but there are outstanding \$1,500,000 5% notes or short-term debentures, due in Nov. 1915. Until these unsecured notes have been paid off, no further issue can be made of the notes now offered for subscription beyond the present £700,000.

The consols of the Dominion Iron & Steel Co., Ltd., which form part of the deposited security, rank pari passu with £1,615,500 similar bonds already quoted on the London Stock Exchange. The 1st M. bonds of the Cumberland Ry. & Coal Co., which form part of the deposited security, are part of an issue limited to \$3,000,000, and the interest on them will be payable as rental by the Dominion Coal Co., Ltd., to whom the property of the company is leased; in case of default the Dominion Coal Co. has undertaken, if called upon, to redeem these bonds at a price sufficient to pay off the proportionate amount of the notes issued.

The output of the Dominion Coal Co., Ltd., in 1910 was 3,526,754 tons, in 1911 4,251,063 tons and in 1912 5,053,160 tons, of which 412,200 tons came from the newly acquired Cumberland Collieries. The output in 1913 is expected to be about 5,200,000 tons. The Dominion Iron & Steel Co., Ltd., has a capacity in its works on Sydney Harbor of 400,000 tons per annum in rails, wire rods, bars, wire, wire nails and other products.—V. 97, p. 1429.

#### Electric Investment Corporation, New York.—

The regular quarterly dividend of 1½% on the pref. stock, due at this time, will not be paid. This, it is stated, is due to the passing last summer of the 5% dividend on the stock of the Pacific Gas & Elec. Co. The initial dividend on the stock was paid Feb. 21 1913 and two quarterly payments have been made since.—V. 96, p. 949.

#### Electric Properties Corporation, N. Y.—First Dividend.

An initial quarterly dividend of 1½% has been declared on the \$4,000,000 pref. stock, payable Dec. 10 to holders of record Dec. 1. The corporation succeeded the company of the same name per plan V. 96, p. 1426, on Sept. 1 last, up to which time the dividends on the old stock, which then ceased to accrue, were adjusted.—V. 97, p. 889.

**Federal Utilities, Inc., New York.—Dividend Not Declared.**—The quarterly dividend of 1½% on the \$1,000,000 6% cum. pf. stock usually paid Dec. 1 has not been declared.

#### Statement by President DeForest Candee.

The income for the ten months ended Oct. 31 1913 has been more than sufficient to meet the dividend requirements, but owing to the depreciation in the market value of the securities and the consequent shrinkage in surplus, the directors have deemed it wise to conserve the resources of the company and defer action for the present respecting the payment of the quarterly dividend of 1½% payable Dec. 1, on the 6% cum. pref. stock. A detailed balance sheet will be furnished at the end of the year as heretofore. See V. 92, p. 1639; V. 93, p. 348.

#### Ft. Scott & Nevada Light, Heat & Water Co.—Decision.

The Missouri P. S. Commission on Nov. 17 held that it has the right to set aside the rates fixed in a city franchise (in this instance the city of Nevada) and to fix other rates. Cities cannot, it is stated, contract away from the State the right to regulate rates so that the public may not have a fair and reasonable rate, all rates named in a franchise being under the police power of the State and subject to regulation. The Commission claims that the city can by ordinance at any time change the rates, but that their reasonableness is subject to the determination of the Commission upon complaint of either party. It is also held that the Commission has, under the law creating it, the power to require all public service corporations to comply with the conditions and agreements of franchises granted by cities of the State, making it unnecessary to bring forfeiture suits in the courts to compel compliance. An appeal from the decision, it is said, will be taken to the courts.—V. 95, p. 820.

#### General Petroleum, Ltd.—English Holding Co. Organized.

This company, it is announced, has been registered by the Andrew Weir syndicate under the English Companies' Act to take over the control of the General Petroleum Co. of California. The "Wall Street Journal" yesterday said:

Details of the plan for the absorption of the General Petroleum Co. by an English syndicate, including Andrew Weir, A. M. Grenfell and R. Tilden Smith, have been made public.

A holding company, known as the General Petroleum, Ltd., has been registered in England. The securities of the new company consist of ordinary and 7% cum. non-voting preference shares, each of a par value of £1. The company will have no bonded debt for the present, although the agreement drawn up by the syndicate states that the new company shall have power for bonding itself to an amount not exceeding the pref. capital. The agreement provides that the ordinary share capital shall not exceed £5,000,000. It is proposed to now issue £2,000,000 of ordinary shares to be exchanged for the common stock of the General Petroleum Co., of which there is outstanding something like \$35,000,000, in the proportion of three new shares for each share in the old company. This is equivalent to about \$15 of new stock for each \$100 share of the old.

So far as known, no authorized amount of preference stock has been set; for the present about £3,000,000 will be issued to be exchanged for the \$15,000,000 of General Petroleum 6% bonds. Actually, there will be £205 of fully-paid preference stock exchanged for each \$1,000 bond, or practically par for par. [Another account states the limit of pref. at £10,000,000.]

The General Petroleum, Ltd., intends to exercise the option on the Union Oil Co. and it is proposed to make a further issue of preference shares to finance the Union Co.

The transaction, it is pointed out, is more in the nature of a reorganization than anything else. The General Petroleum Co. was in need of funds and the new interests behind the company will be well able to supply the company's financial requirements. It is understood that the syndicate has already advanced \$3,000,000 in cash for immediate use. Among the members of the new board of directors there are, it is said, several of the biggest shipping interests in Great Britain [which it is asserted, have arranged to build 12 tank ships, each of 10,000 tons burden, to carry the company's oil to Europe via the Panama Canal.]—V. 97, p. 1288, 447.

#### Hood Rubber Co., Boston.—\$1,000,000 New Preferred.

The shareholders have authorized the directors to issue from time to time at not less than par (\$100 a share) \$1,000,000 additional pref. stock, increasing the total stock from \$2,500,000 (\$1,500,000 pref.) to \$3,500,000, of which \$2,500,000 to be preferred.

A Boston paper says: For the first half-year sales increased 15% and for the nine months the gain was at a rate to promise an addition of \$30,000 to \$1,000,000 to the year's overturn. This continued growth follows expansion of the three previous years, during which time the company has made no increase in capitalization. Last financing was \$500,000 pref. in 1909. Naturally, some bulk of bank loans has accumulated and it is to put these in permanent form that new stock will issue. While the exact time for issuance is still undecided, it will probably be before Dec. 31. See V. 90, p. 240.

#### Hydro-Electric Co. of West Virginia.—6% Secured

Notes.—Holders of the company's 6% collateral gold notes dated May 1 1913 received promptly on Nov. 1 their semi-annual interest then due on presentation of the company's certificates at the Colonial Trust Co. of Pittsburgh, trustee. The total issue authorized and outstanding is \$10,500,000, of which \$2,450,000 is due Nov. 1 1914 and the remainder on May 1, 1923, but callable at 102. As collateral for the aforesaid issue there have been pledged with the trustee \$15,000,000 of the company's 1st M. 5% sinking fund gold bonds.

Formerly known as the Cheat River Hydro-Electric Co., of whose \$2,000,000 capital stock \$1,500,000 was taken over in 1911 by the West Penn Traction Co. and \$500,000 by the West Penn Traction & Water Power Co. which is controlled by the American Water-Works & Guarantee Co. of Pittsburgh. In Sept. last the Hydro-Electric Co. of W. Va., W. S. Kuhn, Pres., had preliminary plans to construct additional dam and power-house on Big Sandy Creek; concrete dam 1,600 ft. long, 200 ft. high; power-house 100x60 ft.; concrete lined tunnel 9 ft. in diameter; machinery to include three water turbines, etc.; generate 65,000 electrical h. p.; estimated cost, \$5,000,000. As to construction of 48,000 h. p. hydro-electric plant on Cheat River, in progress in 1912-13, see West Penn Traction & Water Power & Light Co. under "Railroads" above and also in V. 97, p. 295; V. 94, p. 984, 1318; V. 95, p. 237, 1333.

#### International Industrial Corporation, Ltd., Montreal.

—6% Notes—Remarkable Canadian Coal and Iron Project.

A company entitled the "British Empire Securities Co., Ltd.," Montreal and London (G. F. Johnston, President), is offering, at 97½ and int. \$10,000,000 5-year 6% collateral trust gold notes (par, \$1,000, redeemable at par and int. on any interest day) of this ambitious Canadian project, incorporated last February under laws of Dominion of Canada, with capital stock then stated as \$100,000. J. W. Allison is V. Pres. and Arthur Flynn, Sec.-Treas., of either the Securities Co. or the Industrial Corp.

#### Digest of Letter from Pres. Charles W. McLean, Montreal, July 30 '13.

Auth. capital of \$12,500,000, of which \$12,090,000 is "fully paid," and owns and has pledged with the mortgage trustee (Montreal Trust Co.) to secure the notes above mentioned:

Canadian Ores, Ltd., 5-year 6% 1st M. gold bonds (closed mortgage); no other liabilities. Entire capital stock except directors' shares owned by Int. Indus. Corp.)—\$20,000,000

Meriden Coal & Coke Co. capital stock, entire issue, less directors' shares. "Fully paid." (Has outstanding no bonds or other fixed charges except \$450,000 purchase lien due 3 years from March 31 1913)----- 3,499,500

#### Iron Ore Properties of Canadian Ores, Ltd., Mortgaged to Secure Its Bond Issue.

[Company covenants to develop and equip same at a cost of about \$1,000,000 to a capacity of about 1,500,000 tons per ann. by July 1915.]

- (1) 200 acres of land in Belmont Township, Peterboro County, Ont.;
- (a) 100 acres being north half of lot No. 30 in Sixth concession and (b) 100 acres the east half of lot 29 in 5th concession, known as Belmont mine.
- (2) The mining rights in three tracts of land aggregating 220 acres, in Bagot Township, Renfrew Co., Ont.: (a) west half of lot No. 23 in 9th concession, 37 acres; (b) east half of lot 23 in 10th concession, 83 acres; (c) east half of lot 24 in 10th concession, 100 acres, known as La Ronde mine.
- (3) 138 acres of land being lot No. 20 in the 1st concession of Snowden Township, Haliburton Co., Ont., known as the Victoria mine.
- (4) Six mining claims, each containing 40 acres more or less, designated as water lots Nos. 3364a, 3365a, 3366a, 3367a, 3368a and 3369a, in



the Nipissing District, Ont., and bordering on Iron Island in Lake Nipissing and including therein Little Iron Island, containing 10 acres more or less. Engineers report that these properties contain over 300,000,000 tons of red hematite ore, practically free from phosphorus, titanium and sulphur, being entirely within the requirements of "Bessemer grade," and 20,000,000 tons of black magnetic ore, both very uniform in quality. Estimated output: first year, 400,000 tons; 2d year, 750,000; 3d year, 1,500,000; 4th year, 1,500,000; 5th year, 1,500,000.

**Coal Land Properties of Meriden Coal & Coke Co. (Location Not Stated).** Properties comprise 21,000 acres of coal lands, containing, the engineers report, 440,000,000 tons of high grades of coking coal; at present operated by four plants having a daily capacity of 4,000 tons of coal. This output is partly sold as coal and partly converted into coke at the company's modern coking plant. Additional development and equipment is now being provided to increase the output of coal from 4,000 tons (as now) for first year to 9,000 tons for second year and 15,000 tons thereafter.

This company has covenanted to dedicate for the payment of the maturity of its notes during the third year \$3,000,000, fourth year \$3,500,000 and fifth year \$3,500,000.

The sum of \$1,500,000 should be more than sufficient to develop and equip these properties. The proceeds of this note issue will enable the company to discharge in full all of its obligations, including the lien on the Meriden Coal & Coke Co. of \$450,000, leaving the proceeds of \$3,500,000 notes to provide for the equipment and development of the properties and give an ample working capital. (Mr. McLean, it is said, is Mayor of Brockville, Ont.)

**Internat. Light & Pow. Co., Ltd., Toronto.—Status.**

The London Stock Exchange on Oct. 2 1913 listed fully-paid scrip certificates for \$931,900 common stock and for \$1,000,000 6% cum. pref. stock, all in shares of \$100 each. The quarterly 1 1/2% pref. div. was paid Oct. 1 at Municipal & General Securities Co., Ltd., 3 Lombard St., London, E. C.

In April last the Bank of Scotland, London, offered for the Municipal & General Securities Co., Ltd., and others, \$1,000,000 6% cum. pref. (p.&d.) stock cum. from July 1 1913, in shares of \$100, equal to £20 10s. 8d. (with a bonus of \$60 in common stock) at £18 per share.

**Digest of Prospectus of April 1913.—Capitalization.**

Common stock (\$10,000,000 authorized).....\$2,500,000  
 Prof. stock 6% cum. (part of \$10,000,000 authorized)..... 1,000,000  
 Debentures, 5% (part of \$400,000 authorized)..... 115,000

The company may issue (a) debentures in addition to the \$400,000 now authorized, for the purchase of securities of other cos., or for the use of subsidiary cos. whose shares it holds, but only if the company's proportion of the annual net profits of those subsidiary cos. whose shares the company owns or intends to purchase are twice the interest on the debentures issued and proposed to be issued. (b) Further pref. stock for the same purposes, but only if the earnings as above stated are equal to the interest on debentures issued and proposed to be issued, and 1 1/2 times the dividend on the pref. stock issued and proposed to be issued.

Incorporated (Feb. 25 1913), under Can. Cos.' Act, to buy and hold the securities of companies owning gas, electric light, power, water supply, drainage, tramways and similar undertakings in South America or elsewhere. Has acquired in consideration of the issue of the above-mentioned stock and debentures (1) all of the issued capital of \$900,000 ordinary shares and also all of the \$900,000 5% 1st M. debenture stock of the Venezuela Electric Light Co. (of Canada), which operates in Caracas (capital of Venezuela), population 80,000, purchasing power from a hydraulic company and therefore at present needs only the station it now possesses. Has exclusive contract for municipal lighting for 25 years from 1912. (2) All of the issued share capital of \$500,000 (Argentine currency) and all of the \$295,000 debentures of the Compania Luz y Fuerza de Parana, which owns the lighting properties in Parana, the capital of the Province of Entre Rios, Argentina, a growing city of 42,000 inhabitants. The properties include a generating station of 640 k.w. capacity, operated principally by producer gas; a gas plant supplying the city and a contract for public lighting until 1920. (3) £30,000 working capital.

**Results Reported by Public Accountants.**

[Exchange throughout this prospectus, \$1 Argentine equals 1s. 9d. and 25.25 Bolivars equals £1.]

**—Last Fiscal Year— —Est. for Year 1914—**

Caracas. Parana. Total. Caracas. Parana. Total.  
 Gross receipts.....\$51,082 \$22,650 \$73,732 \$58,000 \$25,600 \$83,600  
 Net (after op. exp.)..... 22,926 9,448 32,374 28,000 11,000 39,000

Debiture interest, pref. dividend and estimated annual expenses of the company require \$19,500. Except for the debentures, which the International owns, the two properties above referred to are free from debt and have a working capital of \$30,000 in addition to over \$30,000 of International Co. J. G. White & Co., Ltd., will act as managers.

Is negotiating for further properties of a similar nature, the authorized capital having been made sufficiently large to provide for immediate future development. Has a conditional contract to purchase the shares and debentures of another electric-lighting undertaking which last year had gross receipts of \$45,610 and net, after op. exp., of \$17,462. By the expenditure of an additional \$37,000 on this undertaking, J. G. White & Co., Ltd., estimate that the earnings will for the year, after the improvements are completed, be: Gross, \$48,500; net, \$26,500. This purchase and the above expenditure would require the issuing of \$500,000 common stock and \$285,000 debentures.

Directors.—Follett Holt (Pres.), Chairman Entre Rios Rys. Co.; George M. Booth, director Both SS. Co., Ltd., &c.; Francis M. Voules, director Para Electric Rys. & Lighting Co., Ltd., &c. &c.; William C. Burton and Albert N. Consett, directors J. G. White & Co., Ltd. Office, Canadian Bank of Commerce Bldg., Toronto, and 9 Cloak Lane, London, E. C.

**International Lumber & Development Co.—Ruling.**

Chancellor Curtis at Wilmington, Del., on Aug. 5 denied the application or the appointment of a receiver made in June last, on the ground that efforts are now being made to improve and protect the company. The rule was issued on application of ex-Chancellor John R. Nicholson, who in April 1912 brought suit on behalf of several of the stockholders. In May of the same year the bill was withdrawn pending the result of the criminal prosecution against the officials of the Federal Court, as it was then considered advisable to wait until after the settlement of the case in that Court in order that use might be made of the evidence brought out by the Government.

The 5 men who were recently convicted of using the mails to defraud investors were on April 29 sentenced by Judge Witmer in the U. S. Dist. Court at Philadelphia as follows: William H. Armstrong, Jr., President and General Manager, and Charles M. McMahon, both of Philadelphia, the latter Sec. and Treas., to spend 2 years in the penitentiary and pay a fine of \$2,000 each; John R. Markley and Isaiah B. Miller, the two promoters, both of Chicago, 1 year and 3 months and a fine of \$10,000 each; Col. A. G. Stewart of Mason City, Iowa, a director, one year and a fine of \$1,000.—V. 96, p. 1232.

**International Motor Co., N. Y.—Further Particulars—**

**Temporary Injunction Unconditionally Removed—Plan.**

Since the publication of the article in our issue of Nov. 22, we have learned that Justice Garretton of the Supreme Court of Kings County, in the suit brought by George E. Blakeslee against International Motor Co., has entered an order (1) denying the application of the plaintiff for the appointment of a receiver; (2) unconditionally removing the temporary injunction which prevented the company from borrowing money.

The officers of the company have authorized us to state that a new financial plan has been completed. This plan assures unusual security for all merchandise indebtedness which the company may incur, since bank loans and notes payable aggregating more than \$2,500,000 have been extended, principal and interest, for three years from Nov. 1 1913, and have been subordinated to the merchandise creditors, who will have a prior claim on the company's assets, except for mortgages aggregating \$54,500 on property at time of purchase, namely \$48,000 on Plainfield plant and \$6,500 on Newark real estate. An officer of the company says that as the assets, exclusive of licenses, patent rights, goodwill, &c., amount to more than \$5,000,000, and the merchandise creditors amount to approximately only \$300,000, it is apparent that the company is a safe concern with which to do business.—V. 97, p. 1507.

**Kentucky Solvay Coke Co., Ashland, Ky.—Bonds.**

The Tillotson & Wolcott Co., Cleveland, some months ago offered at par \$300,000 1st M. gold 6s, due \$50,000 yearly July 1 1915 to 1920, of this Kentucky corporation, the control of which is owned by the Semet-Solvay Co., Syracuse, N. Y.

Formed to manufacture coke and by-products under the Solvay process. Plant under construction at Ashland, Ky., to meet the demand of local coke-users, who alone have contracted for over 70% of its capacity for 5 and 10-year periods. Cost of the plant is placed at \$785,000, over 2 1/2 times this proposed 1st M. bond issue. Net earnings are estimated at \$237,000 per ann. The management is in the hands of the Semet-Solvay Co., which concern also markets the by-products—tar, ammonia, sulphate, light oil, gas, &c.—V. 86, p. 1046, 484.

**Lehigh Coal & Navigation Co.—Lease.**

See Lehigh & New England RR. under "Railroads" above.—V. 97, p. 1429, 668.

**McIntosh & Seymour Co., Auburn, N. Y.—To Manufacture Diesel as well as Steam Engines.**

This company has been incorporated in N. Y. State with \$2,200,000 of authorized capital stock (\$1,100,000 to be 6% cum. and participating pref.) to manufacture on an extensive scale a full line of Diesel engines, both stationary and marine, as well as the highest grade of steam engines. Authoritative data:

The company will be backed not only by strong American interests, but also by Swedish capitalists, who now control the successful Swedish Diesel Motor Co. (Aktiebolaget Diesel Motoren), a concern devoted entirely to the manufacture of Diesel engines on the "Hesselman" system. The new corporation will take over the plant of the McIntosh & Seymour Co. of Auburn, N. Y., well known as builders of high-grade steam engines.

The Swedish company started building these Diesel engines in 1898, while the McIntosh & Seymour Co. have run their plant most successfully night and day for many years, having built engines for many of the larger steam plants in the country, besides doing a large export business.

Most of the important European manufacturers of large steam and gas engines are practically concentrating their energies on building Diesel engines, and have such a large number of orders that it takes them from one to two years to make deliveries. Not only do these engines offer many advantages for control station units, factory and other isolated power plants, and railway service, but they are particularly desirable for marine work, where the saving of weight and space is of prime importance. By their use boilers and other accessories are eliminated and the liquid fuel, requiring less than one-third of the room required for coal, can be stored in the ship's double bottom.

Oil suitable for Diesel engines being a by-product, will always be available in ample quantities as long as the present large consumption of gasoline and kerosene exists.

Directors.—Marcus Wallenberg, Prest. Stockholm Enskilda Bank, Stockholm, Sweden; Frank A. Vanderlip, Prest. Nat. City Bank, N. Y.; Thatcher N. Brown, Brown Brothers & Co., N. Y.; Edwin S. Church and J. A. Seymour, Auburn; Philip W. Henry and Franklin B. Kirkbride, N. Y. City; Oscar Lamm, Stockholm, Sweden. Edwin S. Church, formerly Supt. Akron plant International Harvester Co., will be the executive head, and J. A. Seymour, Prest. of McIntosh & Seymour Co., will be Vice-Pres., in charge of engineering.

**(The) Massachusetts Co., Boston.—Additional Bds., &c.**

This company, whose entire capital stock (\$10,000) is owned by the New England Power Co. of Maine and whose holdings in the Connecticut River Power Transmission Co. and the French King Rapids Power Co. (of Mass.) were pledged in 1909 to the Old Colony Trust Co. of Boston, as trustee, to secure an issue of \$2,500,000 5% collateral trust bonds, of which \$1,200,000 are outstanding, guar. p. & i. by the Connecticut River Power Co. (V. 93, p. 410; V. 94, p. 627; V. 95, p. 178, 1042), has requested the trustee to certify the remaining \$1,200,000 bonds, and said trustee has obtained from the Court an order notifying the bondholders of their right within one month from Nov. 3 to take part in the construction of the provisions of the trust deed concerning the new issue and to decide whether the same have been complied with. In Dec. 1912 sold the \$5,000 stock of the French King Rapids Co. to the Turner Falls Co. (V. 97, p. 670). Bonds due Jan. 1 1937, but callable as a whole at 105 after June 1 1912 for annual sinking fund of 1% from 1914 to 1926. Int. J. & D. at Merchants' Nat. Bank, Boston, and West End Trust Co., Phila. Present collateral for issue: Notes and stock of Connecticut River Transmission Co.; the additional collateral will be additional stock or obligations of said company on extensions of lines (see V. 93, p. 410) and New England Power Co. in V. 97, p. 54; V. 96, p. 719.

**Massachusetts Gas Companies, Boston.—Earnings of**

**Controlled Companies.**—Net earnings of the subsidiary companies for October and the four months ending Oct. 31:

	October 1913.	1912.	4 Mos. end. 1913.	Oct. 31. 1912.
Boston Consolidated Gas.....	\$102,775	\$115,918	\$297,817	\$329,356
New England Gas & Coke.....	57,945	74,818	234,646	268,359
New England Coal & Coke.....	32,870	20,635	162,502	98,614
Newton & Watertown Gas Light.....	6,121	8,703	12,976	23,358
East Boston Gas.....	11,020	9,343	21,128	31,246
Citizens' Co. of Quincy.....	7,119	2,121	12,538	11,076
Federal Coal & Coke.....	1,719	3,313	17,953	2,373
Boston Towboat.....	1,231	4,965	14,247	21,193
Total.....	\$220,781	\$239,817	\$773,806	\$780,575

	Increase in Gas Output.	1913.	1912.
Boston Consolidated Gas Co.....	3.68%	9.10%	3.79%
East Boston Gas.....	3.33%	20.05%	10.00%
Citizens' Co. of Quincy.....	18.01%	34.74%	18.39%
Newton & Watertown.....	10.99%	15.58%	11.25%

**Massey-Harris Co., Ltd., Toronto, Ont.—Acquisition.**

The company early in 1913 purchased Deyo-Macey Engine Co. of Binghamton, which manufactures a complete line of gasoline agricultural power engines, both stationary and portable, ranging from 1 1/2 to 20 horsepower, and, in addition, a well-known orchard-spraying outfit. These, it is said, will in future be produced and sold under the name of the Massey-Harris Co., which is planning to introduce them into every grain-growing country in the world, and will also establish in Canada during the present year a factory specially equipped for the manufacture of gasoline engines.—V. 92, p. 192.

**Michigan Power Co.—Favorable Decision.**

The Circuit Court recently held that the city cannot compel the company to remove its poles, wires and equipment from the streets of Lansing. The company's franchise expired on Jan. 1 last. The Court upholds the contention that the company had the right to do business under a law passed by the Legislature in 1905, saying that "the city had no authority to grant the privilege of the setting of poles and the stringing of wires except as it derived the authority by grant of power from the Legislature, and a grant of such authority in no way lessens the sovereign power of the Legislature to also grant right to individuals and corporations within the city, and to do so regardless of any other authority." The city operates a municipal lighting plant and sought to prevent competition. An appeal will probably be taken to the State Supreme Court.—V. 88, p. 886.

**Moline (Ia.) Plow Co.—Listed.**

The New York Stock Exchange has listed \$7,500,000 7% cumulative 1st pref. stk.

**Earnings.**—For the 13 months ending July 31 1913:

Gross sales, \$14,450,840; operating expenses, including \$168,000 expended for maintenance, repairs and renewals and \$101,787 charged off for depreciation, \$12,822,975; balance, net income, \$1,627,865

Interest on bills payable..... 172,963  
 Balance available for dividends.....\$1,454,902  
 Compare V. 97, p. 1111.

**Morris & Somerset Electric Co., Morristown, N. J.—**

**Status.**—This independently operated property referred to above has been described in circular of N. W. Halsey & Co.:

Incorp. in N. J. in June 1907, and now owns or controls the entire electric light and power business of Morristown, N. J., Morris Plains, N. J., and vicinity, having taken over and added to its system under a 900-year lease all the property of Public Service Corp. of N. J. located in Morristown. Franchises perpet. & free from burdensome restrictions. Capitalization:



Common stock, auth., \$500,000, in \$100 shares; outstanding----\$116,500  
 1st M. 5% sinking fund gold bonds, dated Oct. 1 1910, due  
 Oct. 1 1940, but redeemable at 105 and int. on any int. date;  
 Columbia Trust Co. of N. Y. and Willard V. King, trustees;  
 interest A. & O. in N. Y. Par \$1,000c\*. Tax-exempt in N. J.  
 Total authorized, \$1,000,000; outstanding----- 250,000  
 Reserved for additions, extensions and impts to 80% of  
 cost, provided annual gross earnings are five times and net  
 earnings double the interest on outstanding bonds, including  
 those then proposed to be issued----- 750,000

These bonds cover (a) An absolute first mortgage all the properties  
 owned by the company in fee, including its new fireproof generating station,  
 over 4 1/2 miles of the total 12 1/2 miles of underground conduit system, and  
 over 40 1/2 miles of the total 70 miles of overhead distributing system, the  
 properties so owned representing an actual cash cost on Dec. 31 1912 of  
 \$307,556. (b) The 900-year lease from the Public Service Corporation  
 covering the remainder of the property. They also precede \$116,500 out-  
 standing common stock, which represents a further cash investment of  
 \$116,500 and on which dividends of 6% per annum are being paid. The  
 bonds also have a strong sinking fund beginning 1913, which is calculated  
 to retire two-thirds of the authorized issue before maturity.

Morristown is situated about 31 miles west of N. Y. City, and is one of  
 the oldest and most substantial cities in New Jersey. The U. S. Census  
 in 1910 showed the population of Morrystown proper as 12,507, and it is  
 estimated the adjacent territory served contains 7,600; total, 20,107.  
 Earnings for Calendar Years ("Net" is shown after taxes, rentals, &c.)

	1912.	1911.	1912.	1911.
Gross	\$107,025	\$97,694	Bond interest paid.	\$9,684
Net	33,744	15,873	Balance	24,069
				8,973

Balance Sheet—Dec. 31 1912 and May 31 1911.

Property acct.	\$301,218	\$213,798	Stock outstanding	\$116,500	\$91,500
Franchise	1,700	1,700	1st M. 5% outst'g	200,000	135,000
Exp. dur. constr.	4,000	7,000	Accts. payable	9,978	8,802
Disc. on bonds &c	21,668	16,028	Note payable	—	2,000
Accts. receivable	19,491	11,449	Accrued liabilities	12,500	10,982
Mat'ls & supplies	12,575	1,865	Reserves, renewals	22,021	10,000
Cash	4,597	13,430	do casualties	600	—
do bond int. & rent	*12,500	—	Total accumulat-	—	—
Miscellaneous	1,275	586	ed surplus	15,725	7,572

\*Includes lease rental accrued, \$10,000, and bond int. acct., \$2,500.  
 Pres., Samuel H. Gillespie, Morrystown, member of the firm of L. C.  
 Gillespie & Sons, 6 Fletcher St., N. Y. City. While a minority interest  
 in the stock is held by Atlantic Gas & Electric Co. [which see above], the  
 property is independently controlled and operated, a majority of the stock  
 being held in and voted by an independent voting trust so that the enter-  
 prise in Boonton, N. J., and elsewhere competes for business.

**National Bridge Co. of Canada.—Control.—Status.—**

See Dominion Bridge Co. in V. 97, p. 885.

**Nevada Consolidated Copper Co.—10% Extra Dividend.**

An extra dividend of 50 cents per share (par \$5) has been declared on the  
 \$9,996,970 stock (the greater part of which is owned by the Utah Copper  
 Co. (payable Dec. 31 to holders of record Dec. 5), along with the usual  
 quarterly disbursement of 3 1/2 cents (7 1/2%), which has been paid since  
 Dec. 1909. The extra dividend is to be paid from surplus and accumulated  
 undivided profits and is the same amount as was disbursed a year ago.  
 Compare V. 95, p. 1477.—V. 97, p. 1359.

**New England Power Co., Boston.—**

See Massachusetts Company above.  
 The co.'s three power houses thus far completed are each operated under  
 a head of approximately 60 ft. each, with suitable generators having a total  
 capacity of about 60,000,000 k.w. hours. The head at plant No. 2, located  
 about two miles east of Shelburne Falls, is obtained by a direct drop through  
 a penstock. Plant No. 3 is located within the town, and includes the re-  
 development of an old dam, the head of which has been increased and the  
 capacity of the plant further augmented by building a canal approximately  
 2,000 ft. long, supplying a small reservoir feeding into three immense pen-  
 stocks through which water is carried to the wheels. Plant No. 4 is located  
 approximately two miles west of Shelburne Falls, and includes a high di-  
 verting dam which throws the water into a tunnel about 13 ft. in diameter  
 built through solid rock a distance of 1,500 ft., through which it is carried  
 into a reservoir and conveyed through penstocks to the water wheels.  
 See also V. 96, p. 719; V. 97, p. 54.

**New York Real Estate Securities Co.—Receivership.—**

An involuntary petition in bankruptcy was filed against this company  
 yesterday in the U. S. District Court, and Judge Hough appointed James  
 M. Rosenberg as receiver. The company was organized in October 1908  
 with a capital stock of \$250,000. The share capital is now common stock,  
 \$2,500,000; preferred stock, \$1,000,000, and 6% 2d pref. stock, \$450,000.  
 According to Counsel J. C. Weschler, the company's liabilities amount  
 to about \$20,000,000, the chief item being mortgages of approximately  
 \$15,000,000. The bonded debt is around \$3,000,000 [including, it is un-  
 derstood, collateral trust 6s due 1926 and 1927, Empire Trust Co., trustee].  
 Receipts from rentals of the buildings owned, it is asserted, are more than  
 sufficient to meet all expenses and pay the interest on the bonds, but the  
 general financial tightness resulted in the calling of loans by investors,  
 thus forcing a receivership.

Balance Sheet Dec. 31 1912 (Total Each Side \$14,018,514).

Real estate owned (cost)	\$12,828,914	Mises. on real est. owned	—
*Loans & investments	918,492	Incl. accr. int. &c.	\$8,281,208
Furniture and fixtures	6,452	15-yr. 6% gold M. bonds,	—
Sk. fd., accrued rents, &c.	77,678	including accr'd int.	1,563,896
Cash	185,978	Other liabilities	21,374
		Reserve for deprec. &c.	100,000
		Capital stock and surplus	4,052,036

\* Including prepaid charges, &c., and first pref. stock in treasury.

**Oklahoma Natural Gas Co.—Plan Approved.—**

The shareholders on Nov. 26 approved the plan for the purchase  
 of the properties named below and the authorization of a  
 \$3,000,000 bond issue to take up a floating debt of \$300,000  
 and provide for said acquisitions, thereby uniting all the so-  
 called Braden interests in the Tulsa, Okla., field.

**Digest of Official Circular Dated at Pittsburgh, Nov. 12 1913.**

(1) **Caney River Gas Co. (Org. May 24 1906)—Outstanding Capitalization, &c.**  
 Capital stock (V. 95, p. 363; V. 97, p. 598)-----\$1,000,000  
 1st M. 6% gold bonds, maturing \$50,000 each Oct. 1 1914 to 1917 200,000  
 Wagoner Gas Co. 6% bonds, maturing \$2,500 each Jan. and  
 July 1914 to Jan. 1918, incl.----- 22,500  
 Coweta Gas Co. 6% bonds, maturing \$750 each Jan. 1 and  
 July 1 1914 to 1917----- 6,000  
 Properties, &c.: (1) Lands in fee, 6.71 acres in Claremore, Okla.;  
 Coweta regulator station site, 3 lots in Haskell, Okla., and 1 lot in Muskogee,  
 Okla. (2) Leaseholds and gas rights, 20,328 acres. (3) 37 gas wells,  
 150 million cu. ft. reserve. (4) Two oil wells, daily production 20 bbls.  
 (5) Plants at Coweta and Haskell. (6) Pipe lines, 146.98 miles; miles of  
 pipe at Coweta and Haskell plant and at warehouses, 41.40 miles. (7)  
 Pump stations: (a) near Collinsville, Okla.; steel-frame bldgs., two 450 h. p.  
 gas engine compressors, daily capacity 20,000,000 cu. ft.; (b) near Bixby,  
 Okla.; wood-frame bldgs., 450 h. p. gas engine compressor, daily capacity  
 10,000,000 cu. ft. (8) Average of 7,555 consumers, viz.: (a) Caney River  
 Gas Co. at Coweta and Haskell, aver. 485, at full 25c. rate; (b) Musko-  
 gee Gas & Electric Co. at Muskogee, about 5,200, at 66 2-3% of the 25c.  
 rate; (c) Oklahoma Fuel Supply Co., at Ramona, 170 at 66 2-3% of 20c.  
 rate; at Claremore, Inola, Porter and Wagoner, 1,700 at 66 2-3% of 25c.

(2) **Osage & Oklahoma Co. (Org. Mar. 16 1905)—Capitalization, &c.**

Capital stock-----\$1,500,000  
 Funded debt—1st M. 6% gold bonds, \$25,000 maturing Feb. 1  
 1914, 1915 and 1916----- 75,000  
 Properties, &c.: Leaseholds and gas rights, 118,791 acres; gas wells  
 (fully equipped), 13 (75,000,000 cu. ft. reserve); pipe at plant, 94.47 miles;  
 field lines, 42.04 miles; average consumers served by Tulsa plant in towns  
 of Tulsa, Dawson, Turley and Kendall, 5,415, at full 16c. rate.

(3) **Oklahoma Fuel Supply Co. (Capital Stock \$250,000; No Funded Debt).**  
 Property: Owns and operates distributing plants in towns of Chandler,  
 Stroud, Wellston, Davenport, Luther, Edmond, Meeker, Arcadia, Kelly-  
 ville, Midlothian, Depew, Ramona, Claremore, Inola, Wagoner and Porter,  
 and distributes to its 3,542 consumers therein gas furnished by Oklahoma  
 Natural Gas Co. and Caney River Gas Co. on the following basis: Gross  
 domestic sales, 2-3 to pipe line co.; gross mfg sales, 3-4 to pipe line co.

(4) **Gas Properties of United Fuel Supply Co. (Stock \$500,000; No Bonds.)**  
 Properties: Leaseholds and gas rights, 15,655 acres; 50 gas wells (50  
 million cu. ft. reserve), 50; pipe lines, 21.46 miles; pump station near  
 Tulsa, Okla., brick bldg. with 350 h. p. steam engine compressor, capacity  
 8,000,000 cu. ft. per day. (The company has some oil production and oil  
 leases which are not being considered in this purchase.)

**Gross Earnings to Be Obtained by Purchase, Based on Last 12 Months' Business.**

Caney River Gas Co.	Consumers, 250,513	Wholesale, &c., \$93,756	Total, \$344,269
Osage & Oklahoma Co.	212,393	4,676	217,069
Oklahoma Fuel Supply Co., proportion of receipts	—	—	49,029
United Fuel Supply Co.	—	—	301,464

Total gross-----\$911,831  
 These four properties will be inventoried at a fair value and \$2,700,000  
 should cover the purchase of all of them.

**Present Position of Oklahoma Natural Gas Co.—Capitalization.**

Capital stock-----\$4,000,000  
 1st M. 6% bonds, \$2,000,000; retired, \$1,000,000; outstanding  
 (due \$200,000 each Mar. 1, 1914 to 1918 inclusive)----- 1,000,000  
 Properties: (a) Lands in fee: Warehouse site, Tulsa, Okla., with neces-  
 sary buildings; brick pump station, site, Kellyville, Okla.; reducing station  
 sites, Chandler, Edmond, Luther, Stroud, Wellston, Davenport, Guthrie,  
 Shawnee, Oklahoma City, Depew, Meeker, Arcadia, Okla. (b) Leaseholds  
 and gas rights: Operated, 6,657 acres; unoperated, 44,206 acres; 34 pro-  
 ducing gas wells, (200 million cu. ft. reserve). (c) One oil well, producing 15  
 bbls. daily. (d) Contracts from outside producers involving approxi-  
 mately 100,000,000 cu. ft. reserve. (e) Pipe lines, 267.72 miles (8-inch,  
 46.62 miles; 12-inch, 136.32 miles; warehouse pipes, 183.075 feet.) (f)  
 Pump station at Kellyville, Okla., brick bldgs. with four 650 h. p. gas en-  
 gine compressors, capacity 40,000,000 cu. ft. daily. (g) Average No. con-  
 sumers, 16,442, all on the basis of the company of 66 2-3% of the 25c.  
 domestic rate, viz.: Through Oklahoma Gas & El. Co., Oklahoma City,  
 10,500; Shawnee Gas & El. Co., Shawnee, 2,370; Guthrie Gas Lt. Fuel &  
 Impt. Co., Guthrie, 1,900; and Oklahoma Fuel Supply Co., 1,672, at  
 Chandler, Stroud, Wellston, Davenport, Luther, Edmond, Meeker,  
 Arcadia, Kellyville, Midlothian and Depew. (h) Gross receipts this fiscal  
 year will run about \$850,000.

**New Mortgage.**—As this company has a floating debt of about \$300,000,  
 we have thought it advisable to take care of this indebtedness at this time,  
 and therefore propose to place a bonded debt of \$3,000,000 on the prop-  
 erties of this company, and a mortgage to secure the same, which would also  
 be a mortgage on all properties to be purchased, to secure 6% consolidated  
 gold bonds to be redeemed 10% annually, beginning about Jan. 1 1919.  
 See V. 97, p. 1429.

**Pacific Telephone & Teleg. Co.—Washington Rates, &c.—**

The California RR. Comm. on Nov. 15, after an investigation lasting, it  
 is stated, about two years, ordered a reduction of nearly all the long-  
 distance charges within the State, the new schedule to go into effect on  
 Feb. 16 1914. The reductions average about 21% and it is estimated will  
 amount to \$526,000 a year.

F. S. Burroughs, chief engineer of the Washington P. S. Commission, in  
 his report rendered Nov. 18 recommends the dismissal of the complaint  
 of the city of Spokane in the contest which has been carried on for over 3  
 years, so far as it relates to rates. Mr. Burroughs says that the company is  
 earning only about 4 1/2% on the present rates charged. In his opinion,  
 the rates in Spokane should be allowed to provide an 8% return upon the  
 value of the property necessary to render service in addition to operating  
 expenses and depreciation before a reduction is ordered.

The California RR. Commission on Jan. 31 ordered the establishment of a  
 physical connection between telephone exchanges of the Tehama County  
 Telephone Co. and the Glenn County Telephone Co., the former at Red  
 Bluff and the latter at Willows, in order to enable the patrons of the two  
 smaller companies to use the Pacific Company's long-distance service.

The Pacific Company refused to make connection. The decision de-  
 clares that public convenience requires that the physical connection be  
 made and that the expense be borne by the smaller companies. The  
 telephone companies are ordered to arrange for a just division of the rates,  
 tolls and charges.

The Commission says: "While we agree that as a general proposition the  
 interest of the public and of the consumers of a public utility which is a  
 natural monopoly may be better served by one agency than two, there are  
 important reservations which must be made. The lower rates and more  
 adequate service which follow competition among natural monopolies are  
 rates and service which demonstrably could have been afforded by the  
 monopoly without competition. A reduction of rates of a natural monopoly  
 and improvement of service under competition is an indication of one of two  
 things. Either the rates were too high and the service not good enough  
 before the competition arose, or the rates are made too low and the service  
 too good for the price under stress of competition. We consider it border-  
 ing very much on effrontery for a public utility to urge that it is an economic  
 fallacy to duplicate facilities unless such utility has accorded to the public  
 the advantage to which the elimination or duplication is supposed to entitle  
 it. No public utility, or other monopoly, can ever justify its existence as  
 a monopoly on the theory of an advantage to its patrons which it does not  
 accord."

The electors of San Francisco at the referendum election held on April 22,  
 by a vote of 30,672 in favor to 27,797 against the proposition, ratified the  
 initiative ordinance to become effective July 1, reducing telephone rates  
 according to the schedule arranged by the "Telephone Users' Association."  
 The company will resist in the courts the enforcement of the ordinance on  
 two grounds: (1) That the rates would be confiscatory and (2) that as  
 the Supervisors, which are the legal rate-making body under the charter,  
 had already fixed the rates, it is beyond the power of an initiative ordinance  
 to supersede the rates already fixed.—V. 97, p. 241.

**Peabody Coal Co. of N. J.—Guaranteed Bonds.—**

See Bond County Coal Co. above. (See Ohio Co., V. 81, p. 935.)

**Pennsylvania New York & New Jersey Power Co.,  
 Scranton, Pa.—Merger—Bonds.—**

This company was formed by merger proceedings, approved by the Gov-  
 ernor of Penna. on Jan. 21 1913, between the Paupack Power Co. and the  
 Wallenpaupack Power Co., with an authorized capital stock of \$405,000  
 and officers as follows: L. A. Watres, Pres., Scranton (Pres. County Sav-  
 ings Bank); A. Markle, V.-Pres., Hazleton, Pa.; L. W. Healy, Sec., and  
 F. W. Stillwell, Treas., both of Scranton, Pa.

On Oct. 13 1913 was filed election return showing authority to increase  
 the capital stock from \$405,000 to \$5,000,000, and on the same day similar  
 return authorizing an increase in the debt from nothing to \$25,000,000.

**Quaker Oats Co., Chicago.—Investigation.—**

The Federal Grand Jury on Nov. 13 began an investigation at the instance  
 of the Government into the affairs of the company to determine whether  
 the officers are guilty of violation of the Sherman Anti-Trust Act. The  
 proceedings are, it is stated, expected to continue for several weeks.—V. 96,  
 p. 1776.

**R-C-H (Automobile) Corp., Detroit, Mich.—Bids.—**

Bids for \$295,000 were accepted for the property of the company before  
 Referee in Bankruptcy Lee E. Joslyn on Nov. 26. The Lincoln Realty Co.  
 offered \$105,000 for the real estate and C. J. O'Hara and W. J. Bealrd bid  
 \$190,000 for the personal property. These are the highest bids offered,  
 and it is believed that the U. S. District Court will confirm the offers. The  
 bid on the real estate is subject to a lien of \$18,879, while there is a claim  
 against the personal property of \$9,518. The bidders will enter into a con-  
 tract to dispose of the property for the creditors for a commission of 15%.  
 —V. 97, p. 1289.

**Realty Associates of Brooklyn.—Two Per Cent Extra.**

An extra dividend of 2%, in addition to the regular semi-annual payment  
 of 3%, has been declared on the \$4,000,000 common stock, both payable  
 Jan. 15 to holders of record Jan. 5. An extra disbursement of 1% was made  
 in Jan. 1910, 2% in Oct. 1906, 1907 and 1908, and 1/2 of 1% in Oct. 1905.  
 Compare V. 88, p. 1442.

Oct. 31.	Total	Real Est.	Int. on Profit-share	Divs.	Balance,
Year—	Income	& Gen. Exp.	Bonds, &c.	Reserve, (6%)	Surplus,
1912-13	\$1,329,180	\$363,326	\$224,282	\$60,560	\$239,994
1911-12	931,741	376,005	224,403	10,403	239,994

From the balance in 1912-13, as above, \$441,017, \$200,000 was deducted  
 for depreciation, leaving the balance surplus for the year, \$241,017. Total  
 surplus Oct. 31 1913, \$1,051,730.—V. 96, p. 1160.



**Riker & Hegeman (Drug) Co., N. Y.—Plan.—George J. Whelan on Tuesday said in substance:**

My associates and I have arranged to buy a majority of the [\$5,764,000] common stock of the Riker & Hegeman Co., with no other purpose than to develop to the fullest extent an enterprise believed already to be profitable. The present annual gross sales in the 93 stores are, according to our best information, about \$15,000,000. Until the audit is completed we shall be unable to make a more definite statement.

In embarking in the drug business, I am carrying out a plan long in contemplation by myself and by those who, in association with me, have developed the United Cigar Stores Co. The systemization of that business, especially from the auditing standpoint, was the feature that cost us most money in the early days of its career. The Riker & Hegeman Co. we believe to be economically and progressively managed, well abreast of modern methods, and in the ablest hands. In those hands the drug business will undoubtedly be left, so far as its practical operation is concerned. The drug company will, as our first step, come under an auditing system similar to that of the United Cigar Stores Co.

The changes contemplated will be accomplished through the formation of a new company that will hold the majority of the common stock of the Riker & Hegeman Co. I have arranged to pay par without regard to its past earnings for a majority of the common stock of the Riker & Hegeman Co. to be acquired by my associates and myself, all of which is to be turned over to the new company on the precise terms on which I am to acquire the stock plus actual legal and accounting expenses. There will be no intermediate "rake-offs," profits or commissions.

Under this plan this new company will issue shares of a par value of \$5 each, or at the rate of 20 shares of the stock of the new company, having a par value of \$5, for each share of the Riker & Hegeman Co., having a par value of \$100 each, acquired by the new company.

It is proposed that in the Riker & Hegeman directorate there shall be no one who is not actively engaged in the promotion of its business. There will be no control of the supply, for all supplies will be drawn from all reliable sources in common with every competitor in the field. The aim will be to operate the drug business so as to make a legitimate profit on every article, and the only monopoly we shall strive to establish is a monopoly of good service such as for years the United Cigar Stores have sought to establish.—V. 97, p. 1508.

**(Wm. A.) Rogers, Ltd., Toronto.—Earnings.—**

Calendar Year—	Net Profits.	Prof. Div. (%)	Common Dividend.	Balance.	Surplus.	Total Surplus.
1912	\$290,683	\$63,000	(12%)\$170,006	\$57,677	\$151,840	\$151,840
1911	305,806	63,000	(10%) 117,025	125,781	134,237	134,237

A bonus dividend of 10% on common stock was paid Feb. 15 1912, amounting to \$121,550, comparing with one of 20% (\$187,500) on Feb. 1 1912. See V. 94, p. 566. The total profit and loss surplus Dec. 31 1912, after deducting said 10% bonus dividend and adding the \$81,475 (50%) premium received on the sale of \$162,950 common stock was \$151,840.—V. 94, p. 566.

**(M.) Rumely Co.—Removal of Office—Extension.—**

The executive offices of the M Rumely Co. and of the Rumely Products Co., Inc. will be removed from La Porte, Ind., to Chicago, where they will open for business on Dec. 1.

The company has sent a letter to the noteholders to inquire how many of them will consent to an extension of its \$10,000,000 2-year gold notes, dated Mar. 1 1915, for 3 years from date of maturity. This is being done in order to so strengthen the financial position of the company as to render it possible to secure bank loans to carry on its ordinary business operations from month to month. The company owes, it is stated, about \$14,500,000, including the \$10,000,000 note issue referred to. Since the new management took charge of the affairs of the company it is stated bills payable have been reduced to a considerable extent and within a short time there will have been paid off about \$2,000,000 of the aggregate owed to banks.—V. 97, p. 669, 302.

**Sealshipt Oyster System, Boston.—New Committee.—**

A committee consisting of Robert F. Herrick, Henry Hornblower and Philip Stockton, with Charles E. Bockus as Secy., 17 Court St., Boston, requests that the lienholders, bondholders and pref. stockholders deposit their holdings at once with Old Colony Trust Co., depository, 17 Court St., Boston, but in any event prior to Dec. 20 1913.

Depositors will be allowed 15 days in which to withdraw without expense in case any plan of reorganization or liquidation proposed by the committee is unsatisfactory to them. Compare V. 97, p. 1290, 1050.

**Sherwin-Williams Co. of Canada.—Earnings.—**

Aug. 31. Year—	Net Earnings.	Bond Interest.	Preferred Dividend.	Special Reserve.	Balance.	Surplus.
1912-13	\$698,748	\$140,185	\$210,000	\$100,000	\$248,562	\$248,562
1911-12	576,941	140,185	210,000	—	226,773	226,773

The net earnings as above in 1912-13 are given after deducting \$64,600 for depreciation reserve. The sum of \$93,527 was applied to depreciation reserve out of earnings for the 2½ months immediately preceding Sept. 1 1911.—V. 94, p. 491, 634.

**Southwestern Sugar & Land Co.—Purchase Plans.—**

See Western Sugar & Land Co. below.—V. 92, p. 122.

**Spring Valley Water Works Co., San Francisco.—**

The company has filed an application with the California RR. Commission for authority to issue \$1,000,000 of 2-year 5% collateral trust gold notes. The company asks also for authority to pledge as collateral for these notes \$1,334,000 of 4% bonds. The company expects to realize from the sale \$980,000 and proposes to use the proceeds to pay off existing floating debt, represented by \$975,000 notes held by San Francisco banks and \$5,000 for work upon the Caleveras dam in Alameda County.—V. 97, p. 1514.

**Standard Oil Co. of Kentucky.—Plan to Increase Capital Stock from \$1,000,000 to \$3,000,000 and to Declare 200% Cash Dividend Applicable, if Desired, to Payment for New Stock.—**

The shareholders will vote Dec. 18 on amending the articles of incorporation by which the authorized capital stock may be increased from \$1,000,000 to \$3,000,000 and the number of directors increased from 5 to 7.

**Extract from Official Circular Dated at Louisville, Nov. 20.**

Based upon the surplus of the company, the directors believe that in the near future they will be justified in declaring a cash dividend of 200%, and it is proposed to accord the stockholders, pro rata according to their holdings at a time to be hereafter specified, the privilege of purchasing the new stock at par, the plan being to allow stockholders, if desired, to use their cash dividend in paying for the new stock. Consent representing two-thirds of the capital stock is required to amend the articles of incorporation.

Balance Sheets of June 30 1913 and Dec. 31 1912 (Totals \$4,827,847 and \$5,105,355, respectively).

Assets—		Liabilities—			
Jne 30 '13.	Dec. 31 '12.	Jne 30 '13.	Dec. 31 '12.		
Plant.....	\$1,797,495	\$1,735,664	Cap. stock.....	\$1,000,000	\$1,000,000
Other invest.....	46,041	54,840	Accts. & c. pay.....	494,444	1,306,102
Merchandise.....	1,675,323	2,115,940	Insur. fund.....	19,837	—
Cash & accts. rec.....	1,308,988	1,198,911	Surplus.....	3,313,566	2,799,253
Total surplus June 30 1913,	\$3,313,566,	includes "profit for first half 1913, \$514,314."	An initial dividend of 5% was paid July 1 1913 and a second dividend of the same amount on Oct. 1. Compare V. 96, p. 1633; V. 97, p. 732.		

**(T. H.) Symington Co., Rochester, N. Y., &c.—Refunding Notes Offered.—**

C. E. Mitchell & Co., New York, are offering \$300,000 serial mortgage 6% gold notes dated Dec. 1 1913. Interest J. & D. Par \$1,000. A circular shows: Date of maturity and offering price: Dec. 1 1914, \$75,000 at 99½ and int.; Dec. 1 1915, \$100,000 at 99 and int.; Dec. 1 1916, \$125,000 at 98½ and int. Callable on any interest date as a whole at 102 and int. Tax-exempt in N. Y. State. Interest payable without deduction for Federal income tax. Safe Dep. & Tr. Co. of Baltimore, trustee. Total authorized issue \$300,000.

A gen. mtg. on all fixed assets except Rochester tenant property, subject only to 1st M. bonds, which have been reduced as of Nov. 1 1913 from \$900,000 to \$747,000 by sink. fd. Quick assets (free from lien of any mortgage debt) must at all times be equivalent to 150% of these notes, and on Nov. 1 1913 were about 200% thereof. The proceeds of these notes are to be used in part payment of \$350,000 2-year notes dated 1911 and due Dec. 1913.

The company manufactures malleable iron equipment for the use of railroads, specializing in draft gears and journal boxes of widely approved type, amply protected by patents, and owns a fireproof steel, brick and concrete plant covering 5 acres at Rochester, N. Y., one of the largest and best-equipped malleable iron foundries in the United States.

**Audited Balance Sheets Aug. 31 1911 and June 30 1913.**

Assets—		Liabilities—			
Jne 30 '13.	Aug. 31 '11.	Jne 30 '13.	Aug. 31 '11.		
Rochester works.....	\$1,948,634	\$1,873,956	Preferred stock.....	\$1,500,000	\$1,500,000
Other property.....	198,191	189,959	Common stock.....	1,000,000	1,000,000
Cash.....	133,640	98,337	1st M. bonds.....	900,000	900,000
Bills & accts rec.....	642,908	289,387	2-year notes.....	350,000	—
Materials & suppl.....	337,445	427,181	Bills payable.....	132,400	263,800
Miscellaneous.....	108,316	88,146	Accounts payable.....	346,880	280,105
Sink. fd. 1st mtg.....	133,131	10,000	Accr'd int. & taxes.....	5,749	9,853
Pat'ts & pat. rights.....	1,050,000	1,050,000	Deprec. reserves.....	232,922	122,342
Farlow Draft Gear Co. purchase.....	414,604	193,534	Surplus.....	498,913	144,900

\* These notes due Dec. 1913 are refunded by the notes herein offered. Net earnings for the year ending June 30 1913, as certified by audit, \$492,304; interest and sinking fund on 1st M. bonds \$114,000; balance, \$378,304, or over 2½ times both the maximum serial principal payment of these notes and their maximum interest charge combined. Unfilled orders on hand Nov. 1 1913 were in billing volume equivalent to over three months' operation based on the period of the audit for the year ending June 30 1913, and considerable further business has since been closed.

Controlled and operated by the Symington Brothers, who, with other members of the working organization, own over 70% of the common stock and over one-third the pref. stock, paid for in full at par.—V. 97, p. 1515.

**Tampa (Fla.) Gas Co.—Earnings for October 1913.—**

Gross revenue, \$15,035; oper. exp., \$6,305; net earnings, \$8,729, being an increase of 110% over Oct., 1912, on an increase of 56.56% in gas sales. Reported by Robt. Glendinning & Co., Philadelphia.—V. 96, p. 1845.

**Texas Company, Houston—See page 1597.**

**United Shoe Machinery Corporation.—Suit Dismissed.**

Judge Dodge in the U. S. District Court at Boston, Mass., on Sept. 16 dismissed the suit brought by Charles A. Strout of Portland, Me., as trustee for the Goddu Sons Metal Fastening Co., against the Shoe Machinery Co. to recover \$3,000,000 (triple) damages under the Sherman Anti-Trust law on the ground that it is barred by the statute of limitations.

It was alleged that the Shoe Machinery Co. by purchase of the majority of the stock of the Goddu Co. unlawfully restrained the trade and business of the latter by misuse of its patents, and so managed it as to prevent or destroy competition with the Shoe Machinery Co. instead of developing the business.

The court says: "The declaration alleges that the acts were done by virtue of the same alleged control; without which allegation, indeed, it would not have made the acts appear as unlawful under the statute. That none of the acts referred to could have been done after title and possession of all the Goddu Co.'s property, of every kind had passed from it to a trustee, in dissolution proceedings of the kind alleged and admitted; and that the defendant's alleged control of the company was of necessity ended by such appointment, as well as its capacity to do business capable of injury to them, I must regard as obvious. If so, no injury for which the company or its trustee can recover can have been done to it within 6 years prior to the date of the writ.—V. 97, p. 1360, 891.

**Utah Power & Light Co.—Properties Acquired.—**

On or about June 1 1913 an initial payment was reported on the part of the Bear Lake Power Co. of Montpelier, Idaho, consisting of two plants one at Georgetown and another at Paris, and furnishing light and power in Montpelier, Bloomington, Georgetown, Bennington, St. Charles and Ovid Idaho. Compare V. 96, p. 1845, and "Net Earnings Department" V. 97, p. 112.

**Properties Acquired Previously by the Company or its Subsidiaries.**

- From Telluride Power Co.—All its property, rights and franchises (company dissolved).
- From Knight Consolidated Power Co.—Its physical property.
- From Davis & Weber Counties Canal Co.—Hydro-electric plant at Ogden; placed in operation in December 1912, installed capacity about 5,000 h.p.
- From Utah-Idaho Sugar Co.—Hydro-electric plant.
- From Salt Lake & Ogden Ry. Co.—Steam power plant, cap. 1,000 h.p.
- Properties of the lighting companies operating at Telluride in Colo.; Mercur; Bingham, Provo and Eureka in Utah and Preston in Idaho.
- From Utah Copper Co.—Steam power plant, installed capacity 11,000 h.p., acquired under long-term lease.
- From Home Telephone & Electric Co.—Entire electric distributing system, in San Juan Water & Power Co. (which controls Durango Gas & Electric Co.). All its bonds and practically all the stock.
- In Idaho Power & Transmission Co.—All its capital stock.
- In Merchants' Light & Power Co. of Ogden, Utah.—All its stock and securities of every kind. Company has the street lighting contract and has just commenced doing a retail light and power business under a 50-year franchise; also has a 50-year franchise for lighting and power business in Salt Lake.

[The Western Colorado Power Co., Durango, Colo., was incorporated in Colorado on March 13 1913 with \$5,000,000 auth. capital stock, as a subsidiary corporation, and took over, it was said, the Colorado holdings of the Utah Power & Light Co. and also the San Juan Water & Power Co. and the Durango Gas & Electric Co. Pres., Gen. Bulkley Wells.

**Officers, &c., of Utah Securities Corporation (See V. 97, p. 242).**

Management.—Controlled by interests closely allied with the Electric Bond & Share Co. of N. Y. and the General Electric Co.

Permanent Board.—A. C. Bedford, V.-Pres. and Treas. of Standard Oil Co.; Irving Bonbright, V.-Pres. Wm. P. Bonbright & Co., Inc.; R. E. Breed, Pres., Am. Gas & El. Co.; James Campbell, Pres. North Amer. Co.; G. E. Claffin, V.-Pres. Electric Bond & Share Co.; G. M. Dahl, Asst. to Pres. Electric Bond & Share Co.; Charles Hayden, Hayden, Stone & Co.; Alexander Hemphill, Pres. Guar. Tr. Co. of N. Y.; D. C. Jackling, Pres. Utah Copper Co.; James Mitchell, Pres. Ala. Traction Ls. & Pow. Co., Ltd.; S. Z. Mitchell, Pres. Electric Bond & Share Co.; J. D. Mortimer, V.-Pres. North Amer. Co.; J. R. Nutt, V.-Pres. Citizens' Savings & Trust Co., Cleveland; Frederick Strauss, J. & W. Seligman & Co.; Benjamin Strong Jr., V.-Pres. Bankers Trust Co.

Officers.—S. Z. Mitchell, Pres.; D. C. Jackling, W. S. McCormick, G. E. Claffin and G. M. Dahl, V.-Presidents; A. E. Smith, Sec. and Treasurer. Executive Committee.—James Campbell, Charles Hayden, J. R. Nutt, S. Z. Mitchell, R. E. Breed and D. C. Jackling.—V. 96, p. 1845.

**Vulcan Detinning Co., N. Y.—Status—Earnings.—**

Pres. W. J. Butterfield in circular of Nov. 24 said:

The results of the statement presented herewith are directly attributable to causes outlined in the report of June 30 last, (see V. 97, p. 1201, 1220). As previously advised, a settlement has been made with the American Can Co. of our claim, resulting in a payment of \$617,000 on Oct. 22 last. Eliminating from consideration the claim of Mr. Adolph Kern for a percentage of the \$617,000—which this company denies—the net amount received by this company from the settlement, after deducting lawyers' fees, accruing since 1907, and accountants' fees and all other expenses, was \$533,991, from which amount there has been paid to the preferred stockholders 21% on account of accumulated back dividends. The directors intend not only to contest the claim of Mr. Adolph Kern above referred to, but to use every means to hold him and those now associated with him responsible for the damages which this company has sustained by reason of their acts.

Robert L. Worsing, one of the largest stockholders, has just been elected a director.

Within the next few weeks the N. Y. office staff will remove to Sewaren, N. J. Arrangements have therefore been made with Farmers' Loan & Trust Co. of N. Y. City to act as our stock transfer agents and hereafter all stock will be transferable at the office of that company.

**Statement of Profit and Loss for Three Months ending Sept. 30 1913.**

Sales, \$212,843; increase in inventories of finished products, \$6,372;	
total.....	\$219,215
Deduct (a) cost of tin scrap used, materials and supplies, operating expenses, repairs and renewals, &c. (exclusive of depreciation) and adjustment of inventories, \$241,113; (b) general expenses for New York office, directors' fees, interest, &c., \$8,634.....	249,747
Net loss on operations for period.....	\$30,532
Total surplus Sept. 30 1913, \$259,248. Compare V. 97, p. 1201, 1220.	

For Other Investment News, see page 1597.



## Reports and Documents.

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### MISSOURI KANSAS & TEXAS RAILWAY COMPANY

ANNUAL REPORT—YEAR ENDED JUNE 30TH 1913.

St. Louis, Mo., October 29 1913.

To the Stockholders of

Missouri Kansas & Texas Railway Company:

The directors and officers of your Company submit herewith their report for the fiscal year ended June 30 1913.

The operations of the Lines named

Missouri Kansas & Texas Railway Company	1,744.41
The Missouri Kansas & Texas Railway Company of Texas	1,293.78
Texas Central Railroad Company	308.72
The Denison Bonham & New Orleans Railroad Company	24.15
The Dallas Cleburne & Southwestern Railway Company	9.82
Missouri Kansas & Texas Terminal Company of St. Louis	
Wichita Falls & Northwestern Railway Company	328.68
Wichita Falls & Northwestern Railway Company of Texas	18.02
Wichita Falls & Wellington Railway Company of Texas	15.00
Wichita Falls & Southern Railway Company	56.21
Wichita Falls Railway Company	17.98
Total miles operated June 30 1913	3,816.77

were as follows:

#### RESULTS FOR THE YEAR.

(Includes eight months' operation of Wichita Falls Lines, from November 1 1912. Inter-corporate income items are excluded.)	
Operating Revenues were	\$32,346,258 39
(Increase, \$4,159,539 28, or 15%)	
Operating Expenses were	22,808,412 39
(Increase, \$1,602,563 69, or 8%)	
Net Operating Revenue was	\$9,537,846 00
(Increase, \$2,556,975 59, or 37%)	
Taxes were	1,287,903 29
(Increase, \$227,721 82, or 21%)	
Operating Income, Taxes deducted, was	\$8,249,942 71
(Increase, \$2,329,253 77, or 28%)	
Miscellaneous Income was	666,611 06
(Increase, \$310,215 39, or 87%)	
Rentals and other Payments were	\$8,916,553 77
(Increase, \$6,999 86, or 1%)	
Income for the year available for Interest was	\$8,295,180 22
(Increase, \$2,632,469 30, or 46%)	
Interest (72% of amount available) amounted to	5,978,194 75
(Increase, \$332,652 04, or 6%)	
Net Income for the year amounted to	\$2,316,985 47
(Increase, \$2,299,817 26)	
Dividends declared during the year:	
M. K. & T. Ry. Co. Preferred Stock (4%)	\$520,000 00
Texas Cent. RR. Co. Stock outstanding (5%)	1,010 00
Wichita Falls & Northwestern Ry. Co. Stock outstanding (6%)	42 00
	521,052 00
Remainder, devoted to improvement of physical and other assets (equivalent to 2.84% on M. K. & T. Ry. Co. Common Stock)	\$1,795,933 47

#### MILEAGE.

The average mileage operated during the year was 3,677.47 an increase over the previous year of 279.28 miles.

The total mileage operated on June 30 1913 increased 417.91 miles as compared with the mileage operated June 30 1912, as follows:

Wichita Falls, Texas, to Red River	18.02 miles
Red River to Forgan, Oklahoma	286.78 "
Altus, Oklahoma, to Wellington, Texas	56.90 "
Wichita Falls to Newcastle, Texas	56.21 "
Total	417.91 miles

#### OPERATIONS.

The gross and net earnings were the largest in your Company's history. The surplus, after payment of all charges, was larger than any previous year except 1907. Improved business conditions generally in the Southwest and increased passenger travel contributed to swell the revenue, while favorable operating conditions during the year enabled the traffic to be handled with a relatively small increase in operating expenses.

Operating expenses were increased largely because of heavier traffic, higher standards of maintenance and additional mileage operated. The ratio of expenses to earnings was 70.51% as compared with 75.23% in the previous year. While operating revenues increased \$4,159,539 28, or 15%, transportation expenses increased only \$608,272 51, or 5%.

#### FINANCIAL.

The changes in outstanding capital stock during the year, as shown by the balance sheet, were as follows:

	Increase.	Decrease.
Boonville Railroad Bridge Co.	\$600 00	
Missouri Kansas & Texas Terminal Co. of St. L.	900 00	
Texas Central RR. Co., Preferred		\$5,000 00
Texas Central RR. Co., Common		10,000 00
Wichita Falls & Northwestern Ry. Co.	700 00	
Wichita Falls & Southern Ry. Co.	900 00	
Wichita Falls & Wellington Ry. Co. of Texas	700 00	
Wichita Falls & Northwestern Ry. Co. of Texas	700 00	
Wichita Falls Railway Co.	700 00	
Net decrease	\$5,200 00	\$15,000 00
		\$9,800 00

The changes in funded debt in the hands of the public during the year were as follows:

	Increase.	Decrease.
M. K. & T. Ry. Co. Two-Year 5% Secured Gold Notes	\$19,000 000	
M. K. & T. Ry. Co. 5% Equipment Notes	1,900,000	
M. K. & T. Ry. Co. One-Year 5% Secured Gold Notes (Issued July 1 1912, redeemed May 1 1913)	1,500,000	\$1,500,000
W. F. & N. W. Ry. Co. 1st and Refunding Mortgage 5% Bonds	500,000	
Katy Office Building Co. 1st Mortgage 5½% Bonds	200,000	
M. K. & T. Ry. Co. Two-Year 5% Secured Gold Notes		16,000,000
M. K. & T. Ry. Co. 5% Second Notes		1,100,000
Boonville RR. Bridge Co. 1st Mortgage 5% Bonds		12,000
Net Increase	\$23,100,000	\$18,612,000
(from which \$508,000 General Mortgage 4½% Gold Bonds purchased for the Sinking Fund and held by the Trustee may be deducted.)	\$4,488,000	

Other changes in funded debt, as shown by the condensed balance sheet of June 30 1913, published on a later page, were:

M. K. & T. Ry. Co. Consolidated Mortgage 5% Bonds	\$3,146,000 00
W. F. & N. W. Ry. Co. 1st Mortgage 5% Bonds	2,213,000 00
W. F. & N. W. Ry. Co. 1st Lien Collateral Trust Mortgage 5% Bonds	873,000 00
W. F. & N. W. Ry. Co. 1st and Refunding Mortgage 5% Bonds	2,500,000 00
W. F. & So. Ry. Co. 1st Mortgage 5% Bonds	749,000 00
W. F. & N. W. Ry. Co. Equipment Trust Notes	56,490 97
Net Increase	\$9,537,490 97

\$19,000,000 two-year 5% gold notes, part of an authorized issue of \$25,000,000, dated May 1 1913, due May 1 1915, were sold during the year, the proceeds of which were used to refund \$16,000,000 two-year notes falling due May 1, and \$1,500,000 one-year notes due July 1 but called for payment May 1, and for additions to property. The present issue of \$19,000,000 of these notes is secured by \$24,516,000 face amount of Missouri Kansas & Texas Railway Company consolidated mortgage 5% Gold Bonds.

It was also found advisable to create an equipment trust for \$1,900,000, dated June 2 1913, covering new equipment costing \$2,376,940 65. The equipment trust notes bear 5% interest and mature \$95,000 semi-annually on June 1 and December 1 until 1923.

\$3,146,000 Missouri Kansas & Texas Railway Company Consolidated Mortgage 5% Gold Bonds were authenticated under the mortgage and delivered to your Company during the year as follows:

In reimbursement of expenditures made for additions and betterments	\$1,356,000
In reimbursement of expenditures made for new equipment	802,000
Against M. K. & T. Ry. Co. General Mortgage Bonds retired by Sinking Fund	508,000
Against Boonville Railroad Bridge Company First Mortgage Bonds retired by Sinking Fund	9,000
Against the pledge of First and Refunding Mortgage Bonds of Wichita Falls & Northwestern Railway Company acquired during the year	374,000
Against the pledge of Beaumont & Great Northern Railroad Stock acquired during the year	54,000
Against the pledge of First Mortgage Bonds of Missouri Kansas & Texas Terminal Company of St. Louis acquired during the year	43,000
Total	\$3,146,000

Of the above-mentioned Consolidated Mortgage bonds, \$184,000 were on June 30 1913 in your Company's treasury, \$2,058,000 were pledged under the two-year notes maturing May 1 1915 and \$904,000 were pledged to secure bills payable.

#### WICHITA FALLS LINES.

The acquisition of the capital stock of these companies was discussed at length in last year's annual report. The extension of 83.67 miles from Woodward to Forgan, then under construction, was completed in October last, and since November 1 1912 the income of these lines has been included with all other lines reported. These lines have proved to be valuable feeders of traffic.

#### BEAUMONT & GREAT NORTHERN RAILROAD—HOUSTON & BRAZOS VALLEY RAILWAY COMPANY

In accordance with a policy of conservative expansion to aid in the development of a constant traffic moving northward, your Company purchased during the year the entire capital stock of the Beaumont & Great Northern Railroad, which owns a line extending through the lumber district of East Texas from Livingston to Weldon, a distance of 48.3 miles, and which connects at Trinity with what is known as the Trinity Division of the Missouri Kansas & Texas Railway of Texas; and one-half of the capital stock of the Houston & Brazos Valley Railway Company, which operates about 24 miles of road extending from Anchor to Velasco and Freeport, Texas, on the Gulf of Mexico at the mouth of the Brazos River.

The Beaumont & Great Northern Railroad has \$50,000 capital stock and \$883,000 of First Mortgage 5% bonds, and your Company has guaranteed the payment of principal and interest of the bonds. There is a considerable movement of tonnage from the Beaumont & Great Northern Railroad, but the full benefit of its acquisition will not be derived until a connection with the main line has been built, when the mileage and the operation of the line will be included in reports. The Houston & Brazos Valley Railway Company has \$24,000 capital stock and \$420,000 First Mortgage 5% bonds. Your Company has guaranteed principal and interest of \$210,000 face amount of these bonds and has purchased an additional \$92,000 face amount of them.

Freeport is a new port in process of development by a syndicate of bankers who have made heavy investments there, particularly in the installation of a plant to mine sulphur (of which large deposits have been discovered in the vicinity) by the hot-water process, and who own the remaining one-half of the capital stock of Houston & Brazos Valley Railway Company. The syndicate has also planned important industrial developments at Freeport, and, in addition to the traffic incident thereto and the sulphur tonnage, a substantial interchange of traffic with steamship lines is expected eventually



to develop. The Seaboard & Gulf Steamship Company is now operating semi-monthly service between New York and Freeport. This transaction has also resulted in the acquisition by the Brazos Warehouse Company, the capital stock of which is owned by your Company, of 634 acres of land on the river front at Freeport.

**ROLLING STOCK.**

The equipment inventory as of June 30 1913 was as follows:

Locomotives.....	682	Increase 54
Passenger-Train Cars.....	493	Increase 15
Freight-Train and Miscellaneous Cars owned and leased.....	26,872	Increase 858

The average amounts expended for repairs to equipment in service were:

		Increase.	Decrease.	PerCent.
Locomotives.....	\$2,422 08		\$367 34	13.17
Passenger-Train Cars.....	777 67	\$218 41		39.05
Freight-Train Cars.....	53 71	9 99		22.85

42 locomotives, or 6% of the number owned, and 750 freight cars, or 2.9% of the number owned, were undergoing or awaiting heavy repairs at the close of the year.

The average tractive power of locomotives in service increased 1,752 pounds, or 6.66%. The average capacity of freight cars in service increased 290 pounds, or .5%.

There was expended during the year for the purchase of equipment, less the value of equipment retired, a net amount of \$1,506,667 35.

**ROADWAY AND STRUCTURES.**

The roadway has been fully maintained. The expenditure for permanent additions and betterments, exclusive of equipment, aggregated \$2,454,801 74, a statement of which appears on page 22 [of pamphlet report].

Considerable headway has been made in general improvement work, from the standpoint of securing additional revenue and of effecting economies in operation.

The policy of renewing with heavier steel the light rail on the various portions of the line has been continued, a total of 155 miles of new 85-lb. rail having been laid during the year.

In pursuance of the general plan of renewing wooden trestles and culverts in concrete, 450 structures of this character have been so renewed, a total of 20,220 cubic yards of concrete having been used; and considerable concrete abutment work in connection with steel bridges has been done.

Steel bridge work has been installed at several places on the Fort Worth, Houston and San Antonio divisions and on the Texas Central Railroad, replacing pile trestles and steel work of lighter construction. Other bridges on the lines between Sedalia and Red River and Kansas City and Parsons, including the Missouri River bridge at Boonville, have been strengthened to permit the use of heavier engines which have recently been acquired, which will result in the handling of increased tonnage per train over that section of the line. The work of strengthening bridges in a similar manner between Denison and Houston is in progress, which will permit the use of these heavier engines over the main lines in Texas. Trestles have also been strengthened on the Texas Central Railroad and on the Wichita Falls Lines between Frederick and Newcastle.

194 miles of embankment were widened and ditching was done on 156 miles of roadway.

50 miles of new ballasting was done and 242 miles of track re-ballasted.

1,966,657 cross-ties and 945 sets of switch ties were used during the year.

32 miles of new fence were constructed and 362 miles of fence re-built.

51 miles of yard and industrial tracks were constructed. New division terminals at Waco have been completed and put in operation.

A reduction of grade from one per cent to five-tenths of one per cent was made near West and Hillsboro, Texas, which permits an increase in the maximum tonnage handled by large engines southbound from 2,500 to 3,500 tons.

The double-track work between Waco and Hewitt, Texas, 7.6 miles, which will facilitate train movement, has been completed since the close of the year.

A passenger station and office building at Parsons, Kansas, to replace the one destroyed by fire, is being constructed.

A new passenger station is under construction at Houston, Texas. That city has recently built a viaduct between the north and south sides of the town, passing over your Company's tracks at a point near the site of the new station.

New stations have also been constructed at Evansville, Franklin Junction, Humbolt, Crowder, Canadian, Sherman City, Cleveland, Nelagony, Winnsboro, Newsome, Burrows, Temple, Taylor, Hico and Albany, and many other betterments made.

Substantial improvements have been made in the water supply at different points, which are producing satisfactory operating results. Further improvements of this nature will be made as rapidly as the problems can be worked out.

Extensive changes are being made in the freight station at Saint Louis, which should result in a considerable saving in the cost of handling freight at that terminal.

At Dallas a new general office building has been acquired, the purchase involving the assumption by The Missouri Kansas & Texas Railway Company of Texas of the payment of principal and interest of \$200,000 First Mortgage 5 1/2% bonds issued by the Katy Office Building Company.

The Union Terminal Company of Dallas, which was organized last year, has made very good progress in the acquisition of land and franchises for a passenger terminal, and plans are now being prepared for the building and track layout.

Work on the Kansas City Union Station has been delayed by strikes and other causes, but it should be ready for service during the coming year.

The growth of your Company's business during the past few years has been such that the terminal facilities at several of the more important points have been outgrown, and it will soon be necessary to provide increased facilities.

**GENERAL REMARKS.**

The Federal Congress enacted a law requiring the Interstate Commerce Commission to ascertain the value of the railroads of the United States. This is the most stupendous work of its kind ever undertaken by any Government and it is of vital importance to the companies. It involves the solution of many complex problems, and agreement upon principals and elements of value about which there exists a remarkable diversity of opinion and confusion of thought. Your Company has appointed a Valuation Committee to prepare the necessary data and to co-operate with the Interstate Commerce Commission in arriving at the value of your Company's property. The cost of this work, both to the railroads and to the Government, will necessarily be a considerable sum, and the work will probably be in progress for several years.

The United States Supreme Court decided adversely the suit of the Missouri railroads against that State seeking to restrain the operation of laws which established a maximum passenger rate of two cents a mile and fixed maximum freight rates on certain commodities. The reduced rates, accordingly, were made effective July 4 1913.

It also became necessary for your Company and other companies operating in Oklahoma to enter into stipulations with the Attorney-General of Oklahoma providing for dissolution of the temporary injunctions which had been secured against the enforcement of the two-cent passenger rate fixed by the constitution of that State, and the two-cent rate was made effective on July 3 1913, pending final determination (including the matter of prior liability, if any) of the litigation on its merits.

Safety committees have been organized during the year under the direction of a Commissioner of Safety, for the purpose of educating employees in the use of greater care in avoiding accidents.

Mr. Adrian H. Joline died on October 15 1912. At the time of his death he was Counsel for the Company at New York, and prior thereto had been Chairman of the Board and President of the Company.

At the annual meeting of the stockholders on April 10 1913 Messrs. Frank H. Davis and Horace E. Andrews of New York were elected Directors to fill the vacancies caused by the resignations of Messrs. A. A. Allen and Alfred Waldron Smithers.

Mr. C. N. Whitehead, formerly Secretary and Treasurer, having been appointed by the President to act as his Assistant; the Directors at their annual meeting in April appointed Mr. Carl Remington as Secretary and Mr. Frank Johnson as Treasurer of the Company.

Statements and tables of accounts and operations are appended to this report.

Appreciative acknowledgment is hereby made of efficient services during the year of officers and employees.

By order of the Board of Directors.  
C. E. SCHAFF, President.  
FRANK TRUMBULL, Chairman.

**MISSOURI KANSAS & TEXAS LINES.**

GENERAL INCOME ACCOUNT, FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30 1913, COMPARED WITH YEAR ENDED JUNE 30 1912.

	1913.	1912.	Increase (+) or Decrease (-)
Average Mileage Operated.....	3,677.47	3,398.19	+279.28
<b>Operating Revenues—</b>			
From Freight Traffic.....	\$20,912,978 29	\$18,100,905 87	+\$2,812,072 42
From Passenger Traffic.....	9,402,966 60	8,220,408 83	+1,182,557 77
From Transp'n of Mails.....	632,610 75	626,127 78	+6,482 97
From Transp'n of Express.....	882,604 26	752,012 50	+130,591 76
From Other Transportat'n.....	273,151 24	289,086 48	-15,935 24
From Non-Transportation.....	241,947 25	198,177 65	+43,769 60
<b>Total Operat'g Revenues.....</b>	<b>\$32,346,258 39</b>	<b>\$28,186,719 11</b>	<b>+\$4,159,539 28</b>
<b>Operating Expenses—</b>			
For Maintenance of Way and Structures.....	\$4,637,747 68	\$4,129,255 96	+\$508,491 72
For Maintenance of Equip.....	4,100,819 25	3,745,233 17	+355,586 08
For Traffic.....	755,120 22	738,927 98	+16,192 24
For Transportation.....	12,255,845 47	11,647,572 96	+608,272 51
For General.....	1,058,879 77	944,858 63	+114,021 14
<b>Total Operating Expenses.....</b>	<b>\$22,808,412 39</b>	<b>\$21,205,848 70</b>	<b>+\$1,602,563 69</b>
Operating Ratio.....	(70.51%)	(75.23%)	(-4.72%)
Net Operating Revenue.....	\$9,537,846 00	\$6,980,870 41	+\$2,556,975 59
<b>Income from Other Sources—</b>			
Hire of Equipment.....	\$411,306 64	\$69,436 78	+\$341,869 86
Interest from Investments.....	52,183 32	123,225 69	-71,042 37
Interest, General Account.....	76,306 30	35,944 18	+40,362 12
Sundry Items.....	126,814 80	127,789 02	-974.22
<b>Total.....</b>	<b>\$666,611 06</b>	<b>\$356,395 67</b>	<b>+\$310,215 39</b>
<b>Gross Income.....</b>	<b>\$10,204,457 06</b>	<b>\$7,337,266 08</b>	<b>+\$2,867,190 98</b>
<b>Deductions from Income—</b>			
Interest on Funded Debt.....	\$5,965,362 42	\$5,570,078 25	+\$395,284 17
Other Interest.....	10,544 88	75,464 46	-64,919 58
Int. on Equipment Trust.....	2,287 45		+2,287 45
Taxes.....	1,287,903 29	1,060,181 47	+227,721 82
Rentals, Leased Roads, Joint Tracks, etc.....	565,748 40	579,047 71	-13,299 31
Other Deductions.....	55,625 15	35,325 98	+20,299 17
<b>Total Deductions.....</b>	<b>\$7,887,471 59</b>	<b>\$7,320,097 87</b>	<b>+\$567,373 72</b>
<b>Net Income.....</b>	<b>\$2,316,985 47</b>	<b>\$1,768 21</b>	<b>+\$2,299,817 26</b>



PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT.

Balance to Credit of Profit and Loss June 30 1912.....	\$4,729,386 16
<i>Additions—</i>	
Balance for Year Brought Forward from Income Account.....	2,316,985 47
Adjustment of Value of Texas Central RR. Co. Equipment as of November 30 1912.....	232,401 20
Miscellaneous.....	8,492 41
<b>Total.....</b>	<b>\$7,287,265 24</b>
<i>Deductions—</i>	
Depreciation prior to July 1 1907 on equipment destroyed.....	\$103,324 85
Side tracks and other property abandoned.....	32,663 24
Discount and expenses of security issues.....	908,724 18
Uncollectible accounts charged off.....	27,625 29
Dividends:	
M. K. & T. Ry. Co. preferred stock, 4%.....	\$520,000 00
Texas Central RR. Co. preferred stock outstanding, 5%.....	875 00
Texas Central RR. Co. common stock outstanding, 5%.....	135 00
Wichita Falls & Northwestern Ry. Co. common stock outstanding, 6%.....	42 00
	521,052 00
Southwestern Coal & Improvement Co. Sinking Fund transferred to "Appropriated Surplus".....	15,539 80
Texas Central RR. Co. Profit and Loss balance June 30 1910, taken up in Annual Report Profit and Loss Statement fiscal year 1911, now deducted.....	450,188 49
	\$2,064,117 85
Balance to credit of Profit and Loss June 30 1913.....	\$5,223,147 39

CONDENSED GENERAL BALANCE SHEET JUNE 30 1913.

ASSETS.

<i>Property Investment—</i>	
Cost of Road and Equipment.....	\$222,618,295 86
Less Accrued Depreciation on existing Equipment (Credit).....	1,048,906 84
	\$221,569,389 02
Securities of Proprietary, Affiliated and Controlled Companies—Pledged.....	\$698,461 00
Miscellaneous Investments.....	185,711 55
	\$84,172 55
	\$222,453,561 57
<i>Securities Issued or Assumed, Pledged—</i>	
Consolidated Mortgage Bonds (see contra).....	25,420,000 00
<i>Special Funds—</i>	
Special Deposit Account of Equipment Trust.....	1,062,558 45
	\$248,936,120 02
<i>Working Assets—</i>	
Cash.....	\$1,502,733 02
Loans and Bills Receivable.....	883,512 31
Traffic and Car Service Balances due from other Companies.....	817,809 4
Net Balance due from Agents, Train Auditors and Conductors.....	260,855 41
Miscellaneous Accounts Receivable.....	1,805,200 61
Material and Supplies.....	3,137,206 51
Other Working Assets.....	34,892 75
	\$3,442,210 07
<i>Securities in Treasury, Unpledged—</i>	
Securities of Proprietary, Affiliated and Controlled Companies.....	\$417,420 30
Securities Issued or Assumed.....	201,043 00
Marketable Securities.....	178,084 39
	796,547 69
<i>Accrued Income Not Due—</i>	
Unmatured Interest, Dividends and Rents Receivable.....	15,202 30
<i>Deferred Assets—</i>	
Working Funds—Advanced Rents and Insurance paid in advance.....	\$60,566 53
Cash and Securities in Sink and Redemption Funds.....	45,119 96
Cash and Securities in Provident Funds.....	1,460,000 88
Other Deferred Debit Items.....	111,283 83
	324,402 72
	2,001,373 92
	11,255,333 98
<b>Total.....</b>	<b>\$260,191,454 00</b>

LIABILITIES.

<i>Capital Stock—</i>	
Common Stock, M. K. & T. Ry. Co., held by the public.....	63,283,257 00
Preferred Stock, M. K. & T. Ry. Co., held by the public.....	13,000,000 00
Common Stock, M. K. & T. Ry. Co., held by the Company.....	17,043 00
Stock, Subsidiary Companies.....	25,400 00
	\$76,325,700 00
<i>Funded Debt—</i>	
Bonds and Notes.....	140,769,990 97
	\$217,095,690 97
Consolidated Mtge. Bonds (see contra).....	\$25,420,000 00
Consolidated Mtge. Bonds in Treasury.....	184,000 00
General Mortgage Bonds in Sinking Fund.....	1,415,000 00
	27,019,000 00
	\$244,114,690 97
<i>Working Liabilities—</i>	
*Loans and Bills Payable.....	\$1,516,385 55
Traffic and Car Service Balances due to other Companies.....	938,608 04
Audited Vouchers Unpaid.....	2,717,335 40
Audited Wages Unpaid.....	1,213,847 77
Miscellaneous Accounts Payable.....	273,210 13

Brought forward.....	\$244,114,690 97
Matured Interest, Dividends and Rents Unpaid.....	\$640,399 19
Matured Mortgage and Secured Debt Unpaid.....	17,000 00
Other Working Liabilities.....	45,297 76
	\$7,362,083 84
<i>Deferred Liabilities—</i>	
Unmatured Interest, Dividends and Rents.....	\$1,122,722 92
Taxes Accrued.....	390,766 54
Liability on account of Provident Funds.....	111,283 83
Other Deferred Credit Items.....	82,162 72
	1,706,935 01
	\$9,069,018 85
<i>Appropriated Surplus—</i>	
Additions to Property since June 30 1907, through Income.....	\$1,563,429 84
Reserves invested in Sinking & Redemption Funds.....	221,166 95
	\$1,784,596 79
Profit and Loss Balance.....	5,223,147 39
	7,007,744 18
<b>Total.....</b>	<b>\$260,191,454 00</b>

The Company is also guarantor of Kansas City Terminal Railway Company First Mortgage Bonds, due 1960 (jointly with eleven other Railway Companies).....\$30,094,000 00  
 Of Joplin Union Depot Company First Mortgage Bonds, due 1940 (jointly with three other Railway Companies)..... 650,000 00  
 Of Houston & Brazos Valley Railway First Mortgage Bonds, due 1937..... 210,000 00  
 Of Beaumont & Great Northern Railroad First Mortgage Bonds, due 1939..... 883,000 00  
 Of Galveston Houston & Henderson RR. Co. Note (jointly with International & Great Northern RR. Co.)..... 133,000 00  
 \* \$800,000 paid to November 1 1913.

TRAFFIC AND OPERATING STATISTICS FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30 1913, COMPARED WITH YEAR ENDED JUNE 30 1912.

	1913.	1912.	nc. (+) or Dec. (-) *
<i>Freight—</i>			
Average mileage operated.....	3,677.47	3,398.19	+279.28
Freight train revenue.....	\$20,912,978.29	\$18,100,905.87	+\$2,812,072.42
Per cent of gross revenue.....	64.65	64.22	+0.43
Freight train revenue per mile of road.....	\$5,686.78	\$5,326.63	+\$360.15
Freight train revenue per train mile.....	2.78	2.60	+0.18
Freight train revenue per revenue car mile (cents).....	.1075	.1005	+0.0070
Freight train revenue per ton.....	2.36	2.08	+0.28
Freight train revenue per ton per mile (cents).....	1.14	1.08	+0.06
Tons carried, revenue fr't.....	8,874,462	8,722,847	+151,615
Tons carried one mile, revenue freight.....	1,830,519.759	1,675,674.860	+154,844.899
Tons carried one mile per mile of road, revenue fr't.....	497,766	493,108	+4,658
Tons per train, revenue fr't.....	242.97	240.63	+2.34
Tons per train, including Company freight.....	287.43	272.93	+14.50
Tons per loaded car, revenue freight.....	14.60	14.93	-0.33
Tons per loaded car, including Company freight.....	17.28	16.93	+0.35
Tons per locomotive, revenue freight.....	228.92	226.00	+2.92
Tons per locomotive, including Company freight.....	270.81	256.34	+14.47
Average miles each revenue ton carried.....	206.27	192.10	+14.17
Miles run by freight and mixed trains.....	7,534,045	6,963,635	+570,410
Miles run by revenue freight locomotives.....	7,683,123	7,129,996	+553,127
Freight car mileage.....	194,567,586	180,053,246	+14,514,340
Loaded car mileage.....	125,343,497	112,228,722	+13,114,775
Empty car mileage.....	69,224,089	67,824,524	+1,399,565
Percentage of empty car mileage.....	35.58	37.67	-2.09
Total cars per freight train.....	25.83	25.86	-0.03
Loaded cars per freight train.....	16.64	16.12	+0.52
Empty cars per freight train.....	9.19	9.74	-0.55
Average number loaded cars per train, north and east.....	15.09	14.33	+0.76
Average number empty cars per train, north and east.....	10.56	11.38	-0.82
Average number loaded cars per train, south and west.....	18.21	17.93	+0.28
Average number empty cars per train, south and west.....	7.80	8.07	-0.27
<i>Passenger—</i>			
Average mileage operated.....	3,677.47	3,398.19	+279.28
Revenue from passengers.....	\$9,402,966.60	\$8,220,408.83	+\$1,182,557.77
Per cent of gross revenue.....	29.07	29.16	-0.09
Passenger service train revenue.....	\$11,024,597.30	\$9,702,544.24	+\$1,322,053.06
Passenger revenue per mile of road.....	2,556.91	2,419.06	+137.85
Passenger revenue per train mile.....	1.21	1.12	+0.09
Passenger service train revenue per train mile.....	1.41	1.32	+0.09
Average revenue from each passenger.....	1.51	1.44	+0.07
Average revenue per passenger per mile (cents).....	2.34	2.35	-0.01
Passengers carried.....	6,238,049	5,692,238	+545,811
Passengers carried one mile.....	401,082,344	349,180,896	+51,901,448
Passengers carried one mile per mile of road.....	109,065	102,755	+6,310
Average distance carried.....	64.30	61.34	+2.96
Passengers per train mile.....	51.48	47.62	+3.86
Passenger train mileage (including mixed).....	7,791,362	7,331,978	+459,384
Passenger car mileage.....	40,864,092	39,056,223	+1,807,869
Passenger locomotive mileage.....	7,630,997	7,122,728	+508,269
<i>Total Traffic—</i>			
Gross operating revenue.....	\$32,346,258.39	\$28,186,719.11	+\$4,159,529.28
Gross operating revenue per mile of road operated.....	8,795.79	8,294.62	+501.17
Operating expenses.....	22,808,412.39	21,205,848.70	+1,602,563.69
Operating expenses per mile or road operated.....	6,202.20	6,240.33	-38.13
Net operating revenue.....	9,537,846.00	6,980,870.41	+2,556,975.59
Net operating revenue per mile of road operated.....	2,593.59	2,054.29	+539.30
Taxes accrued.....	1,287,903.29	1,060,181.47	+227,721.82
Taxes per mile of road owned.....	362.16	339.25	+22.91
Operating income, taxes deducted, per mile of road operated.....	2,228.25	1,731.91	+496.34
Ratio of operating expenses to operating revenue.....	70.51	75.23	-4.7



ST. LOUIS & SAN FRANCISCO RAILROAD COMPANY

SEVENTEENTH ANNUAL REPORT—FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30 1913.

Under order of the United States Court for the Eastern District of Missouri, Receivers were appointed for the St. Louis & San Francisco Railroad, May 27 1913, and took possession thereof on May 28 1913.

For the information of all concerned, the undersigned here-with submit statements showing the financial condition of the St. Louis & San Francisco Railroad Company and its Auxiliary Lines, together with the usual statistical data giving the results of the operations of the properties for the fiscal year ended June 30 1913, as well as a comparison with figures of preceding year.

The statements and tables submitted include the operations of the properties for the entire fiscal year and are for the purpose of preserving the continuity of the annual records for comparative purposes.

The Chicago & Eastern Illinois Railroad having been placed in hands of Receivers on May 28 1913, no figures or data pertaining to that road are submitted.

THOMAS H. WEST,  
W. C. NIXON,  
W. B. BIDDLE, } Receivers.

September 1 1913.

ST. LOUIS & SAN FRANCISCO RAILROAD COMPANY.

RESULTS OF OPERATION FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30 1913.

Operating revenue (increase \$3,949,926 30, or 9.4%)	\$46,050,290 03
Operating expenses (increase \$2,001,504 97, or 7.0%)	30,711,094 10
Net operating revenue (increase \$1,948,421 33, or 14.6%)	\$15,339,195 93
Taxes (increase \$99,857 55, or 5.1%)	2,057,440 31
Miscellaneous income (decrease \$180,294 92, or 11.6%)	\$13,281,755 62
Total income (increase \$1,668,268 86, or 12.8%)	\$14,660,778 97
Interest, rentals and sinking funds	13,165,611 15
Balance	\$1,495,167 82
Separately operated properties—Loss	\$1,219,293 21
Annual proportion of amortization of discount on funded debt	943,222 38
	\$2,162,515 59
Net deficit, transferred to profit and loss	\$667,347 77

The average mileage operated during the year was 5,254 98 miles, being an increase over preceding year of 13.59 miles, or .3 per cent.

The main track mileage at June 30 1913 was 5,254.98 miles, or the same as at June 30 1912.

NEW ORLEANS TEXAS & MEXICO RAILROAD LINES

The results of operation of the New Orleans Texas & Mexico Railroad Lines for the fiscal year 1913 were as follows:

1913.	
Average mileage operated	\$977 67
Operating ratio	82.16
Operating revenue	\$5,354,376 29
Operating expenses	4,398,898 22
Net operating revenue	\$955,478 07
Taxes	114,113 05
Operating income	\$841,365 02
Add—Miscellaneous income	60,188 34
Total income	\$901,553 36
Interest	\$1,486,059 31
Rentals	330,899 83
Hire of equipment	299,076 67
Total interest and all other charges	\$2,116,035 81
Balance transferred to debit of St. Louis & San Francisco Railroad Income Account	\$1,214,482 45

RIO GRANDE RAILWAY COMPANY.

The results of operation of the Rio Grande Railway Company (22.50 miles, narrow gauge) for the fiscal year ended June 30 1913, were as follows:

1913.	
Operating revenue	\$12,218 23
Operating expenses	15,904 66
Taxes	\$3,686 43
Operating deficit	\$5,060 73
Miscellaneous income	249 97
Balance transferred to debit of St. Louis & San Francisco Railroad Income Account	\$4,810 76

CAPITAL STOCK.

The amount authorized and issued is as follows:

	Authorized.	Issued.
First preferred	\$5,000,000 00	\$5,000,000 00
Second preferred	31,000,000 00	17,364,100 00
Common	164,000,000 00	29,000,000 00
Totals	\$200,000,000 00	\$51,364,100 00

Of the Capital Stock issued, there remains in the treasury \$6,535 10 of First preferred, \$1,364,153 of Second preferred and \$7,649 60 of Common stock.

FUNDED DEBT AND EQUIPMENT BONDS AND NOTES.

The funded debt at June 30 1913 was	\$291,316,691 04
The equipment trust bonds and notes were	*10,835,937 68
Total	\$302,152,628 72
The funded debt at June 30 1912 was	\$283,060,662 31
The equipment trust bonds and notes were	13,469,461 39
Total	\$296,530,123 70
The net increase for the year was	\$5,622,505 02

\* Does not include \$4,776,000 of Frisco Construction Company equipment notes guaranteed by the St. L. & S. F. RR. Co.

EQUIPMENT.

List of equipment added during the year:

1. Under Lease and Purchase Agreements (Frisco Construction Co.):	2. Purchased for Cash:
1,800 Steel Underframe Gondola Cars,	2 American Ditchers,
1,000 Steel Underframe Box Cars,	9 Ice Cars,
200 Steel Underframe Ballast Cars,	1 Official Car,
40 Consolidation Locomotives,	14 Furniture Cars, (Built at Company Shops.)
10 Steel Baggage Cars,	2 Scale Test Cars
2 One-hundred-Ton Derrick Cars.	

ST. LOUIS & SAN FRANCISCO RAILROAD COMPANY.

INCOME ACCOUNT FOR FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30 1913, COMPARED WITH PREVIOUS YEAR.

	1912-13.	1911-12.	Inc. (+) or Dec. (-).	%
	\$	\$	\$	%
Aver. mileage operated	5,254.98	5,241.39	+13.59	.3
Operating revenue—				
Freight	31,272,806 96	27,505,797 98	+3,767,008 98	13.7
Passenger	11,651,258 25	11,490,509 18	+160,749 07	1.4
Mail	965,059 01	1,030,424 95	-65,365 94	6.3
Express	1,179,291 32	1,113,882 24	+65,409 08	5.9
Miscellaneous	622,556 92	624,188 49	-1,631 57	.3
Total transportation revenue	45,690,972 46	41,764,802 84	+3,926,169 62	9.4
Revenue from operation other than transportation	359,317 57	335,560 89	+23,756 68	7.1
Total oper. revenue	46,050,290 03	42,100,363 73	+3,949,926 30	9.4
Operating expenses—				
Maintenance of way and structures	5,755,477 05	5,118,923 81	+636,553 24	12.4
Maintenance of equipment	6,091,069 49	5,521,171 47	+569,898 02	10.3
Traffic expenses	1,007,326 23	1,098,445 92	-91,119 69	8.3
Transportation expenses	16,505,019 07	15,678,944 58	+826,074 49	5.3
General expenses	1,352,202 26	1,292,103 35	+60,098 91	4.7
Total oper. expenses	30,711,094 10	28,709,589 13	+2,001,504 97	7.0
Net operating revenue	15,339,195 93	13,390,774 60	+1,948,421 33	14.6
Taxes	2,057,440 31	1,957,582 76	+99,857 55	5.1
Operating income	13,281,755 62	11,433,191 84	+1,848,563 78	16.2
Miscellaneous income—				
Hire of equipment	177,440 09	292,555 04	-105,114 95	37.2
Other income	1,556,463 44	1,841,873 31	-285,409 87	15.5
Total miscellaneous income	1,379,023 35	1,559,318 27	-180,294 92	11.6
Total income	14,660,778 97	12,992,510 11	+1,668,268 86	12.9
Interest	7,999,733 86	7,778,105 79	+221,628 07	2.8
Rentals and sinking funds—				
Interest on guaranteed securities	2,553,034 60	2,563,959 33	-10,924 73	.4
Other rentals and sinking funds	951,676 69	894,571 22	+57,105 47	6.3
Dividends on trust certificates, The K. C. Ft. Scott & Memphis Ry.	540,400 00	540,400 00	-----	-----
Dividends on trust certificates, Chicago & Eastern Illinois RR.	1,120,766 00	1,038,075 00	+82,691 00	8.0
Separately operated properties—Loss				
New Orleans Texas & Mexico RR. Lines, deficit	1,214,482 45	-----	+1,214,482 45	-----
Rio Grande Ry., deficit	4,810 76	-----	+4,810 76	-----
Amortization of discount on funded debt*	943,222 38	-----	+943,222 38	-----
Total charges	15,328,126 74	12,815,111 34	+2,513,015 40	19.6
Balance, transferred to profit and loss	667,347 77	177,398 77	-844,746 54	476.2

Full face figures denotes debit. \* This charge has been included in Profit and Loss Account in previous years.

GENERAL PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT AND ADJUSTMENTS THEREIN, JUNE 30TH 1912 TO JUNE 30TH 1913.

Credit—	
Balance at credit, as per annual report June 30 1912	\$3,154,370 16
Profit from sale of real estate heretofore held as a current asset	250,403 80
Miscellaneous adjustments not affecting current year's income	1,368 32
Total credit	\$3,406,142 28

Debit—	
Balance of Income Account for the year ended June 30 1913	\$667,347 77
Oklahoma taxes, 1908, litigated	88,291 97
Miscellaneous surveys charged off	41,081 82
Property destroyed and not replaced	21,445 88
Tracks taken up	15,065 59
Dividends paid—3% on first preferred stock	149,790 00
Total debit	\$983,003 03
Balance	2,423,139 25
	\$3,406,142 28

By Balance at credit June 30 1913 \$2,423,139 25

CONDENSED GENERAL BALANCE SHEET JUNE 30 1913 AND COMPARISON WITH PREVIOUS YEAR.

	1913.	1912.	Increase (+) or Decrease (-).
	\$	\$	\$
Property Investment—			
Road and Equipment:			
Investment to June 30th 1907:			
Road	208,885,657 26	208,885,657 26	-----
Equipment	34,247,705 12	34,247,705 12	-----
	243,133,362 38	243,133,362 38	-----
Investment since June 30th 1907:			
Road	13,890,035 57	11,486,318 91	+2,403,716 66
Equipment	12,687,960 27	12,941,568 13	-253,607 86
	26,577,995 84	24,427,887 04	+2,150,108 80
	269,711,358 22	267,561,249 42	+2,150,108 80
Reserve for Accrued Depreciation—Cr	581,426 83	470,552 36	+110,874 47
Total	269,129,931 39	267,090,697 06	+2,039,234 33



<b>Securities—</b>			
Securities of proprietary, affiliated and controlled companies—Pledged:			
Stocks	75,994,773 56	75,535,023 56	+459,750 00
Funded Debt	3,561,500 00	3,561,500 00	—
Miscellaneous	28,410,607 50	27,208,911 41	+1,201,696 09
	107,966,881 06	106,305,434 97	+1,661,446 09
Securities Issued or Assumed—Pledged—Funded Debt			
Securities of proprietary, affiliated and controlled companies—Unpledged	5,919,000 00	4,040,000 00	+1,879,000 00
Stocks	314,446 25	314,446 25	—
Total	114,200,327 31	110,659,881 22	+3,540,446 09
<b>Other Investments—</b>			
Advances to proprietary, affiliated and controlled companies for construction, equipment and betterments			
Miscellaneous investments	1,216,974 81	290,190 81	+926,784 00
Physical property—			
Securities—Pledged	1,109,408 39	1,166,001 86	—56,593 47
Securities—Unpledged	1,877,240 89	1,877,215 89	+25 00
	478,762 42	478,762 42	—
Total	4,682,386 51	3,812,170 98	+870,215 53
<b>Total Property Investment</b>			
	388,012,645 21	381,562,749 26	+6,449,895 95
<b>Working Assets—</b>			
Cash	4,430,469 64	6,049,999 42	—1,619,529 78
Securities issued or assumed—Held in treasury:			
Stocks	1,378,337 70	6,737 70	+1,371,600 00
Funded debt	280,271 04	730,151 31	—449,880 27
Marketable securities—			
Stocks	2,331,508 53	1,137,514 53	+1,193,994 00
Funded debt	46,993 03	30,393 03	+16,600 00
Miscellaneous	1,643,071 55	13,000 00	+1,630,071 55
Loans and bills receivable	4,866,352 71	3,464,411 49	+1,401,941 22
Traffic and car service balances—due from other companies			
Net balance due from agents and conductors	2,175,020 14	1,710,513 35	+464,506 79
Miscellaneous accounts receivable	529,495 94	502,341 00	+27,154 94
Material and supplies	4,008,239 20	2,651,156 98	+1,357,082 22
	3,368,256 27	3,114,281 12	+253,975 15
Total	25,058,015 75	19,410,499 93	+5,647,515 82
<b>Accrued Income Not Due—</b>			
Unmatured interest, dividends and rents receivable			
		51,299 20	—51,299 20
<b>Deferred Debit Items—</b>			
Advances—Temporary advances to proprietary, affiliated and controlled companies			
Working funds	1,466,132 89	412,121 31	+1,054,011 58
Rents and insurance paid in advance	72,245 36	109,856 04	—37,610 68
Unextinguished discount on funded debt	119,892 09	140,996 98	—21,104 89
Special deposits	12,912,537 63	12,929,614 53	—17,076 90
Cash and securities in sinking and redemption funds	69,803 20	113,008 23	—43,205 03
Cash and securities in insurance and other reserve funds	505,359 94	468,730 49	+36,629 45
Other deferred debit items	104,000 00	104,000 00	—
	616,346 30	1,132,283 53	—515,937 23
Total	15,866,317 41	15,410,611 11	+455,706 30
<b>Grand Total</b>			
	428,936,978 37	416,435,159 50	+12,501,818 87

<b>LIABILITIES.</b>			
	1913.	1912.	Increase (+) or Decrease (—).
	\$	\$	\$
<b>Stock—</b>			
<b>Capital stock—</b>			
Common stock—			
Held by company	30,150,949 60	30,143,449 60	+7,500 00
Not held by company	28,992,350 40	28,999,850 40	—7,500 00
	59,143,300 00	59,143,300 00	—
Preferred stock—			
Held by company	16,370,688 10	15,006,588 10	+1,364,100 00
Not held by company	20,993,411 90	20,993,411 90	—
	37,364,100 00	36,000,000 00	+1,364,100 00
Total	96,507,400 00	95,143,300 00	+1,364,100 00
<b>Mortgage, Bonded and Secured Debt—</b>			
<b>Funded debt:</b>			
<b>Mortgage bonds—</b>			
Held by company	5,805,271 04	4,364,151 31	+1,441,119 73
Not held by company	231,623,890 00	227,863,731 00	+3,760,159 00
	237,429,161 04	232,227,882 31	+5,201,278 73
<b>Collateral trust bonds—</b>			
Held by company	4,010,000 00	3,990,000 00	+20,000 00
Not held by company	47,116,250 00	44,081,500 00	+3,034,750 00
	51,126,250 00	48,071,500 00	+3,054,750 00
<b>Income bonds—</b>			
Held by company	399,500 00	399,500 00	—
Not held by company	5,923,280 00	5,923,280 00	—
	6,322,780 00	6,322,780 00	—
<b>Equipment trust obligations—</b>			
Not held by company	10,835,937 68	13,469,461 39	—2,633,523 71
Total	305,714,128 72	300,091,623 70	+5,622,505 02
<b>Working Liabilities—</b>			
Loans and bills payable	5,784,180 80	2,790,000 00	+2,994,180 80
Traffic and car service balances due to other companies	1,898,633 96	1,599,302 98	+299,330 98
Audited vouchers and wages unpaid	6,825,272 45	5,054,781 88	+1,770,490 57
Miscellaneous accounts payable	164,986 14	253,328 88	—88,342 74
Matured interest, dividends and rents unpaid	3,570,465 70	3,494,644 13	+75,821 57
Matured mortgage, bonded and secured debt unpaid	10,225 00	867,025 00	—856,800 00
Other working liabilities	26,342 30	27,035 05	—692 75
Total	18,280,106 35	14,086,117 92	+4,193,988 43
<b>Accrued Liabilities—Not Due—</b>			
Unmatured interest, dividends and rents payable			
Taxes accrued	1,537,821 48	1,440,740 65	+97,080 83
	700,895 39	650,298 69	+50,596 70
Total	2,238,716 87	2,091,039 34	+147,677 53
<b>Deferred Credit Items—</b>			
Other deferred credit items			
	3,504,555 67	1,632,214 37	+1,872,341 30

<b>Appropriated Surplus—</b>			
Reserves from income or surplus—Invested in sinking or redemption funds			
	268,931 51	236,494 01	+32,437 50
<b>Profit and Loss—</b>			
Balance	2,423,139 25	3,154,370 16	—731,230 91
Grand Total	428,936,978 37	416,435,159 50	+12,501,818 87

**EXPLANATION OF CHANGES IN FUNDED DEBT DURING FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30TH 1913.**

Total funded debt at June 30 1912 (including owned and pledged)	\$300,091,623 70
<b>St. Louis and San Francisco Railroad Company.</b>	
<b>Additions—</b>	
St. Louis & San Francisco Railroad Company—	
Refunding mortgage 4% bonds—	
Issued for—	
Redemption of underlying bonds (Missouri & Western Division 1st mortgage 6% bonds)	\$5,000 00
General lien mortgage 5% bonds—	
Issued for—	
Additions, betterments and new equipment expenditures after July 1 1912	\$2,535,000 00
Retirement of equipment bonds and notes	1,465,082 64
	4,000,082 64
New Orleans Texas & Mexico Div. first mortgage bonds—	
Issued for—	
Indebtedness of the N. O. T. & M. R.R. Co. to this company, account advances, as follows—	
For purchase of line, San Juan to Edinburg, Texas, 7.89 miles	
	\$50,054 00
Additions, betterments and new equipment of the N. O. T. & M. Lines	1,151,642 09
	1,201,696 09
St. Louis and San Francisco Railroad Company two-year 6% secured gold notes	2,600,000 00
C. & E. I. R.R. pref. stock trust certificates—	
Issued in exchange for C. & E. I. R.R. Co. preferred stock (3,065 shares)	459,750 00
Total	\$8,266,528 73
<b>Deductions—</b>	
St. Louis Memphis & South-eastern R.R. Co. first mortgage 4% bond scrip, canceled	
	\$500 00
St. Louis & San Francisco Ry. Co.—	
First mortgage 6% bonds (Missouri & Western Division), redeemed	
	5,000 00
Trust mortgage 6% bonds of 1880, redeemed	
	5,000 00
Total	\$10,500 00
Net increase	\$8,256,028 73
<b>Deductions—</b>	
Equip. obligations paid during year (incl. \$55,914 in text)	
	2,633,523 71
Total funded debt at June 30th 1913, as per balance sheet	\$305,714,128 72

**ST. LOUIS & SAN FRANCISCO RAILROAD COMPANY. (Including N. O. T. & M. R.R. Lines.)**

<b>CONDENSED GENERAL BALANCE SHEET JUNE 30 1913.</b>			
<b>Assets—</b>		<b>Liabilities—</b>	
<b>Property Investment:</b>			
Road	\$247,924,875 78	Common stock—Held by company	\$30,795,949 60
Equipment	52,164,434 42	Not held by company	30,992,350 40
General expenditures	1,835,340 63	Preferred stock—Held by company	16,370,688 10
	\$301,924,650 83	Not held by company	20,993,411 90
Reserve for accrued depreciation—Cr.	901,540 15	Mortgage, Bonded and Secured Debt—	
Total	\$301,023,110 68	Mortgage bonds—Held by company	21,077,148 27
<b>Securities issued or assumed—Pledged—</b>			
Funded Debt	5,919,000 00	Not held by company	260,206,820 01
<b>Securities of proprietary, affiliated and controlled companies—</b>			
(a) Pledged—Stocks	78,840,328 14	Collateral trust bonds—	
Funded debt	18,815,208 53	Held by company	4,010,000 00
Miscellaneous	28,410,607 50	Not held by company	47,116,250 00
(b) Unpledged—Stocks	314,447 25	Income bonds—Held by company	399,500 00
Not held by company	5,923,280 00	Not held by company	5,923,280 00
Equipment trust obligations—Not held by company	12,755,499 38		
Advances to proprietary, affiliated and controlled companies for construction, equipment and betterments	1,216,974 81	Unmatured interest, dividends & rents payable	2,069,096 52
Miscellaneous investments:		Taxes accrued	740,505 15
Physical property	1,988,188 62	Working Liabilities (\$20,813,854 82)—	
Securities—Pledged	1,877,240 89	Loans and bills payable	\$5,808,580 80
Securities—Unpledged	478,762 42	Traffic and car service balances due to other companies	2,116,816 52
Unmatured interest, dividends and rents receivable	22,553 64	Audited vouchers and wages unpaid	8,388,216 28
Working Assets (\$22,913,435):		Miscellaneous accounts payable	184,885 15
Cash	4,533,353 91	Matured interest, dividends and rents unpaid	3,570,465 70
Securities issued or assumed—Held in Treasury—Stocks	1,378,337 70	Matured mortgage, bonded and secured debt unpaid	10,225 00
Funded debt	280,271 04	Working advances due other companies	657,304 41
Marketable securities—Stocks	2,331,508 53	Other working liabilities	984,319 76
Funded debt	46,993 03	Reserve from income or surplus invested in sinking or redemption funds	268,931 51
Miscellaneous	1,643,071 55	Profit and Loss—Balance	2,449,294 11
Loans and bills receivable	640,929 56		
Traffic and car service balances due from other companies	2,302,726 66		
Net balances due from agents and conductors	653,456 46		
Miscellaneous accounts receivable	5,116,706 64		
Material and supplies	3,938,595 74		
Other working assets	47,484 32		
Deferred Debit Items	16,147,041 00		
Grand Total	\$477,966,899 53	Grand Total	\$477,966,899 53

"Deferred Debit Items" include: Temporary advances to proprietary, affiliated and controlled companies—Working funds, \$1,483,829 89; other advances, \$191,030; rents and insurance paid in advance, \$134,476 56; unextinguished discount on securities (funded debt), \$12,912,537 63; special deposits, \$69,803 20; cash and securities in sinking and redemption funds, \$505,359 94; cash and securities in insurance and other reserve funds, \$104,000; other deferred debit items, \$746,003 79.



THE WESTERN MARYLAND RAILWAY COMPANY

FOURTH ANNUAL REPORT—FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30 1913.

Baltimore, Md., October 15 1913.

To the Stockholders of The Western Maryland Railway Co.:

The Fourth Annual Report of the operations of your Company, embracing the fiscal year ended June 30 1913, is herewith respectfully submitted.

The Comparative Income Account follows:

	1913.	1912.	Increase (+) or Decrease (-).
<b>Operating Income—</b>			
Rail Operations (Western Maryland Ry. only):			
Operating Revenues.....	7,632,679 11	7,243,057 75	+389,621 36
Operating Expenses.....	6,019,147 18	4,883,280 36	+1,135,866 82
Net Operating Revenue.....	1,613,531 93	2,359,777 39	-746,245 46
Outside Operations—Net Revenue.....	2,341 25	3,431 47	-1,090 22
Total Net Revenue.....	1,615,873 18	2,363,208 86	-747,335 68
Taxes Accrued.....	240,000 00	252,000 00	-12,000 00
Operating Income.....	1,375,873 18	2,111,208 86	-735,335 68
<b>Other Income—</b>			
Rent of Joint Facilities.....	2,818 13	5,064 20	-2,246 07
Miscellaneous Rents.....	8,709 84	3,810 37	+4,899 47
Net Income George's Creek & Cumberland Railroad.....	29,630 96	25,406 01	+5,036 97
Net Income from Coal Companies and Miscellaneous Properties.....	2,232 73	14,933 83	-12,701 10
Interest Accrued on Securities Owned.....	20,045 00	20,000 00	+45 00
Interest on Loans and Accounts.....	145,450 00	233,310 49	-87,860 49
Total Other Income.....	149,624 74	302,524 90	-152,900 16
Gross Corporate Income.....	1,525,497 92	2,413,733 76	-888,235 84
<b>Deductions from Gross Corporate Income—</b>			
Hire of Equipment.....	103,105 97	20,909 89	+82,196 08
Rent of Joint Facilities.....	80,286 90	69,810 94	+10,475 96
Interest Accrued on Funded Debt.....	2,583,258 01	2,057,944 35	+525,313 66
Interest on Cost of Equipment of New Lines temporarily used by W. M. Railway.....	12,032 27	115,894 24	-103,861 97
Dividends on Stocks of Companies Leased.....	68,598 50	68,863 50	-265 00
Sinking Fund Payments.....	10,100 00	10,100 00	-----
Amortization of Discount on Funded Debt.....	15,020 74	12,515 20	+2,505 54
Miscellaneous Deductions.....	2,493 23	33,327 48	-30,834 25
Total Deductions.....	2,874,895 62	2,389,365 60	+485,530 02
Net Corporate Income.....	1,349,397 70	24,368 16	-1,373,765 86
<b>Add—Interest on Capital Advanced:</b>			
To Subsidiary Companies for Construction of New Lines For Improvements in Progress (Western Maryland Ry.).....	819,640 46	622,902 42	+196,738 04
-----	114,784 64	-----	+114,784 64
-----	934,425 10	622,902 42	+311,522 68
Net Corporate Income.....	414,972 60	647,270 58	-1,062,243 18
<b>Deduct—Dividend on Preferred Stock</b> .....	-----	400,000 00	-400,000 00
Appropriations for Additions and Betterments.....	-----	42,867 09	-42,867 09
-----	-----	442,867 09	-442,867 09
Surplus for the Year.....	414,972 60	204,403 49	-619,376 09

Figures in full-face denote deficit.

OPERATING REVENUES.

Total Operating Revenues amounted to \$7,632,679 11, an increase of \$389,621 36 when compared with the previous year. Of this increase \$273,290 09 is derived from freight traffic, \$54,137 60 from passenger traffic and \$25,533 81 from express revenue, the balance being contributed by miscellaneous items.

Partial and restricted operation of the new Cumberland-Connellsville-Pittsburgh Line is reflected in the increased revenues accruing to the lines east of Cumberland for the year, your management having availed of every opportunity in this direction consistent with the prosecution of a construction program involving the completion of the Cumberland-Connellsville Extension and the rehabilitation of the lines and terminals between Cumberland and Baltimore.

During July 1912 the operation of your West Virginia Lines was interrupted by high water resulting from unusual rainfall. Traffic was entirely suspended for forty-eight hours on the Main Line between Cumberland and Elkins and for periods extending from five to thirty days on Branch Lines, with total loss of revenue approximating \$100,000.

Freight revenue also suffered by loss of through business, due to the disastrous floods which occurred throughout the Middle West during March 1913.

OPERATING EXPENSES.

Total Operating Expenses were \$6,019,147 18, an increase of \$1,135,866 82 when compared with the previous year.

Maintenance of Way Expenses were \$1,155,971 89, an increase of \$161,429 17 over the previous year. Maintenance charges include an item of \$131,252 76, representing the value of property abandoned in connection with Addition and Betterment work, this charge being in accordance with the accounting requirements of the Inter-State Commerce Commission.

Maintenance of Equipment Expenses were \$1,240,024 51, an increase of \$314,545 51 over the previous year. During the fore part of the year 1,190 antiquated, light-capacity

freight cars were destroyed, being unworthy of the general repairs required under the Safety Appliance Regulations prescribed by the Inter-State Commerce Commission, necessitating a charge of \$193,991 68 to Maintenance of Equipment Expenses. The past year felt the full effect of advanced wages granted craftsmen in the Mechanical Department in the spring of 1912, this item aggregating \$56,000.

Traffic Expenses were \$189,602 41, an increase of \$64,034 46 over the previous year, attributable to the installation of traffic representation necessary for development of business via the Cumberland-Connellsville Line.

Transportation Expenses were \$3,271,907 92, an increase of \$609,059 80 over the previous year. Increased rates of wage, covering practically all classes of labor chargeable to this account, were reflected in the operations of the year under review. With the opening of the Cumberland-Connellsville Line, your Company was obligated to the adoption of the Eastern standard wage basis, as applying to trainmen and enginemen. The new line being available for partial service August 1912, this advance became effective September 1 1912, while a further increase for firemen, awarded by arbitration, became effective October 1 1912.

Increased transportation cost, due to higher wage rates, was approximately \$150,000.

Improvement and Betterment work on the lines and terminals east of Cumberland, which continued throughout the entire year, created conditions under which the handling of traffic was possible only at high cost, due to increased train operation, carrying excessive overtime charges.

General Expenses were \$161,640 45, a decrease of \$13,202 12 when compared with the previous year.

NET OPERATING REVENUES.

Net Operating Revenues were \$1,613,531 93, a decrease of \$746,245 46 when compared with the previous year.

OTHER INCOME.

Decreased net income from the original line of the George's Creek & Cumberland Railroad is due largely to absorbing in Maintenance of Equipment Expenses charges aggregating \$47,446 71, being the value of 719 antiquated freight cars of light capacity destroyed during the fore part of the year; being unworthy of the general repairs required under the Safety Appliance Regulations prescribed by the Inter-State Commerce Commission.

The policy of making liberal charges for the depreciation of coal reserve and plant equipment has been continued without change during the year, although recent reports on your coal properties show actual value greatly exceeding the figure at which these properties are now being carried on the books.

DIVIDENDS.

In accordance with notice given in the circular letter addressed to the stockholders, under date of January 7 1913, payment of dividends was suspended after October 1 1912.

CUMBERLAND-CONNELLSVILLE EXTENSION.

August 1 1912 marked the formal opening for partial operation of the line extending from Cumberland, Maryland, to a connection with the Pittsburgh & Lake Erie Railroad at Connellsville, Pennsylvania. During the eleven months' period your management has endeavored to secure only such traffic as could be successfully handled, with satisfactory service to patrons, over a railway still in construction.

The operations of this line were carried in Construction Account to June 30 1913, on which date your Company assumed the operation of the Cumberland-Connellsville Line, although it is not expected that the line will be fully completed until late in the present calendar year.

ADDITIONS AND BETTERMENTS.

January 1 1912 your directors provided, upon the notes of the Company maturing July 1 1915, and bearing interest at 5 per cent per annum, the sum of \$10,000,000 for the purpose of completing the new Cumberland-Connellsville Extension; improving the Port Covington Terminal in the harbor of Baltimore, Maryland; purchase of equipment and the provision of other facilities required, especially upon the old line, to handle economically traffic through the connection established at Connellsville, Pennsylvania, with the Pittsburgh & Lake Erie Railroad.

Realizing that this amount would be inadequate for the purposes indicated, your directors on January 1 1913 provided upon the notes of the Company maturing January 1 1914, and bearing interest at 6 per cent per annum, an additional sum of \$3,000,000. The retirement of these notes has already been provided for by the sale of the same amount of similar notes maturing July 1 1915.

Work authorized under appropriations from these funds, amounting to \$13,000,000, has progressed during the year to the greatest possible extent consistent with ability to secure labor and materials.



The following new equipment has been delivered during the year and commissioned to service:

- 1,000—50-ton steel hoppers.
- 500—40-ton steel underframe box cars.
- 500—50-ton steel underframe gondolas.
- 500—40-ton steel underframe gondolas.
- 15—Heavy Consolidation freight engines.
- 9—Heavy Pacific type passenger engines.
- 30—Caboose cars.
- 18—Steel underframe vestibuled coaches.
- 5—Steel underframe baggage cars.
- 6—All steel mail and express cars.
- 1—Wrecking crane.
- 2—10-car barges.
- 1—Locomotive crane.

The following work, constituting additions, improvements and permanent betterments to the property, has been completed during the year:

- Walbrook—New water station.
- Roslyn—New passenger and freight station and commercial siding.
- Thurmont—Revision of yard tracks and new water station.
- Highfield—New water station.
- Edgemont—New water station.
- Hagerstown—New passenger station; new engine terminal, including roundhouse, boiler washer plant, coaling station, water station, turntable and ash pits.
- Charlton—Construction of branch line to Potomac River.
- Hampstead—New passenger station and freight facilities.
- Brodbeck—New passenger station and freight facilities.
- Porters—Change of line and re-location of passenger station.
- New Oxford—Addition to freight warehouse and team tracks.
- Gettysburg—New coach yard; extension of passing tracks; car repair and transfer tracks.
- McKnightstown—New freight station and team tracks.
- Westernport—New freight station and team tracks.
- Luke—New freight and passenger station and team tracks.
- West Virginia Central Junction—New coaling station.

Commercial and industrial tracks were constructed at the following points:

Leahigh	Shippensburg	Dodson
Falls	Gettysburg	Bayard
Security	Orrtanna	Beechwood
Hagerstown	Ackerman	Davis
Hancock	Shaw	Parsons
Spring Gap	Denman	Elkins
South Cumberland	Chaffee	

New passing tracks were constructed at the following points:

New Windsor	North Branch	Spring Grove
Big Pool	Maryland Junction	

Extensions to passing tracks were constructed at the following points:

Lawndale	Charlton	Jerome
Westminster	Big Pool	Doe Gully
Wakefield	Parkhead	Fowblesburg
Keymar	Round Top	Jack's Mountain
Loy's	Pearre	Guilford

BRIDGES.

In order to permit of the unrestricted use of heavy power on the lines between Hagerstown and Baltimore, twenty-two (22) light bridges on the Main Line and thirty-one (31) light bridges on the Gettysburg Line were renewed with adequate steel and concrete structures.

Wooden trestles west of Rocky Ridge, on the Main Line, and at Tom's Creek, on the Gettysburg Line, were replaced with concrete arches.

Eleven (11) bridges located between West Virginia Central Junction and Thomas, on the Cumberland-Elkins Line, were strengthened, permitting the use of heavy power. Bridge No. 4, near Ackerman, was renewed with a steel structure.

Important work now in progress includes:

- Baltimore:
  - Hillen Station—New six-story freight and storage warehouse. Automobile, milk and transfer platforms. Team tracks. Roundhouse and turntable. Re-construction of passenger station, train-sheds, platforms and express facilities.
- Port Covington—New four-track open pier. Flood bridge and additional yard tracks.
- York Street—New storage shed and re-construction of bulkhead.
- Westminster—Re-modeling passenger station. New train platform. Extension of freight house.
- Pen Mar—New passenger and freight station.
- Hagerstown—New westbound yard of 350 cars capacity. New erecting shops—machinery and equipment.
- Millstone—New commercial siding.
- Lurgan—New wye track.
- York—Additional track and freight facilities.
- Hanover—New roundhouse, turntable, water station, coaling station and shops. Revision of yard tracks. New freight house and team tracks.
- Cumberland—Revision of Main Line and construction of double track from George's Creek Junction to Maryland Junction, including new steel double-track bridges over the Potomac River and Wills Creek. New passenger station and facilities. Elimination of two grade crossings at Ridgely. Revision of Ridgely Yards. New inbound and outbound freight houses, transfer platforms and team tracks. New engine terminal, including power plant, roundhouse, boiler washer plant, shops, water station, coaling station, turntable and ash pits.
- Kempton Branch—Leaving Main Line, about one mile west of Henry, West Virginia, to new mining operation of The Davis Coal & Coke Company at Kempton, a distance of three miles.
- Fairfax—New coaling station.
- Thomas—Additional freight transfer facilities. The construction of new passing tracks at Parkhead, Hancock, Herbert and Jerome. The extension of passing tracks at Williamsport, Clear Spring, Millstone, Hancock, Fairplay, Town Creek, Oldtown and Sloan. Renewals of bridges Nos. 27 and 49 at Shaw and Douglas with steel structures. Installation of automatic block signals for the protection of the five tunnels on the line between Hagerstown and Cumberland; as well as the Cranberry coaling station, one mile east of Westminster. Installation of telephone system for train dispatching on the Middle and Western Divisions, which will cover all territory between Hagerstown and Connellsville, and Cumberland and Elkins, including branch lines.

Construction work has suffered the usual delays incident to shortage of labor, which has been general throughout the territory served by your lines. It is expected that practically all of the work now in progress will be completed and commissioned to service before the year 1914.

During January 1913 your Company acquired ninety (90) acres of additional water-front property at Port Covington, Baltimore, your holdings at that point now aggregating more than one hundred and fifty (150) acres of fine water-front property available for the construction of additional piers, grain-handling facilities and terminal improvements. The location of this property, with its deep water and natural harbor advantages, affords opportunity for the most modern facilities for prompt dispatch and economic handling of the largest ocean carriers.

FINANCES AND ACCOUNTS.

By reference to the accompanying balance sheet, it will be seen that provision having been made for the funding of the notes due January 1 1914 by the sale of a like amount of notes maturing July 1 1915, your Company has no floating or current indebtedness other than its working or current liabilities, amounting, on June 30 1913, to \$2,233,065 22, to provide for which it had on that date working or current assets of \$6,324,580 92, of which \$3,491,833 31 was cash on hand.

The unfavorable comparison to which the final results of the operations of the year are open can be attributed almost entirely to the unusual maintenance and adjustment charges already referred to in this report. The exhaustive examination of the books and records of all your companies justifies the confidence, on the part of your management, that all of these charges have been provided for in accordance with the accounting requirements of the Inter-State Commerce Commission.

CONCLUSIONS.

The construction of your Cumberland-Connellsville Line, resulting in the transformation of your system from a local railway to a seaport terminal link in one of the largest railway systems in the country, demanded an extensive program of adjustment, improvement and betterment work, which involved practically a rehabilitation of your lines and terminals between Cumberland and Baltimore, in order to meet obligations assumed by your Company under its traffic agreement with the Pittsburgh & Lake Erie Railroad.

Heavy construction and improvement work, particularly that involved at the Baltimore, Hagerstown and Cumberland division terminals, all of which was carried on during the year, unavoidably and seriously restricted the efficiency of the transportation service and resulted in abnormally high operating costs.

The completion of improvement and rehabilitation work will enable the management to offer competitive service to patrons, affording opportunity for free solicitation of all classes of traffic available to your lines, and justifies your directors in an expression of confidence for the future of your property.

Your management acknowledges its appreciation of the faithful and efficient services of officers and employees.

By order of the Board of Directors.

J. M. FITZGERALD,  
President.

COMPARATIVE SYSTEM BALANCE SHEET AT JUNE 30 1913 WITH JUNE 30 1912.

	ASSETS.		Inc. (+) or Dec. (-)
	June 30 1913.	June 30 1912.	Dec. (-)
<i>Property Investment—</i>			
Cost of Properties Owned and Operated, including Coal and Other Properties	107,856,471 07	100,354,788 62	+7,501,682 45
Securities of Other Companies—pledged	400,000 00	400,000 00	-----
	108,256,471 07	100,754,788 62	+7,501,682 45
<i>Working Assets—</i>			
Cash on Hand, on Deposit and in Transit	3,491,833 31	2,369,190 89	+1,122,692 42
Securities Issued or Assumed, Held in Treasury	2,131 60	1,000 00	+1,131 60
Marketable Securities	300 00	500 00	-200 00
Loans and Bills Receivable, Traffic and Car Service Balances Due from Other Companies	20,758 70	170 30	+20,588 40
Net Balances due from Agents and Conductors	674,034 11	444,634 74	+229,399 37
Miscellaneous Accounts Receivable	229,782 61	208,257 60	+21,525 01
Material and Supplies	735,222 90	684,348 43	+50,874 47
Other Working Assets	1,124,740 56	996,164 18	+128,576 38
	45,727 13	-----	+45,727 13
	\$6,324,580 92	\$4,704,266 14	+1,620,314 78
<i>Accrued Income Not Due—</i>			
Deferred Debit Items—	7,045 65	4,808 37	+2,237 28
Working Funds	3,220 25	6,120 25	-2,900 00
Rents and Insurance Paid in Advance	25,470 46	10,251 47	+15,218 99
Taxes Paid in Advance	41,728 92	28,644 94	+13,083 98
Unextinguished Discount on Securities:			
Unextinguished Discount on Capital Stock	12,734,835 00	12,734,835 00	-----
Unextinguished Discount on Funded Debt	589,564 06	604,584 80	-15,020 74
Special Deposit	42,502 35	36,200 00	+6,302 35
Cash and Securities in Sinking Funds	392,540 50	366,181 98	+26,358 52
Other Deferred Debit Items	69,553 66	42,194 65	+27,359 61
	\$13,899,415 20	\$13,829,012 49	+70,402 71
<b>Total</b>	<b>128,487,512 84</b>	<b>119,292,875 62</b>	<b>+9,194,637 22</b>



LIABILITIES.

	June 30 1913.	June 30 1912.	Inc. (+) or Dec. (-).
	\$	\$	\$
<b>Capital Stock (of The Western Maryland Railway Co.):</b>			
Common	49,429,230 00	49,429,230 00	
Preferred	10,000,000 00	10,000,000 00	
	59,429,230 00	59,429,230 00	
<b>Outstanding Capital Stock of Operated and Leased Cos.: Stocks on which Dividends Are Guaranteed</b>	569,150 00	569,150 00	
Other Stocks	200 00	5,500 00	-5,300 00
	569,350 00	574,650 00	-5,300 00
<b>Mortgage, Bonded and Secured Debt:</b>			
Funded Debt	51,492,300 00	50,992,300 00	+500,000 00
Collateral Trust Notes	10,000,000 00	4,000,000 00	+6,000,000 00
Equipment Trust Bonds	297,000 00	378,000 00	-81,000 00
	61,789,300 00	55,370,300 00	+6,419,000 00
<b>Working Liabilities:</b>			
Traffic and Car Service Balances Due to Other Companies	122,444 25	105,812 47	+16,631 78
Audited Vouchers and Wages Unpaid	1,545,236 61	1,527,800 83	+17,435 78
Miscellaneous Accounts Payable	116,713 36	2,637 12	+114,076 24
Matured Interest, Dividends and Rents Unpaid	415,671 00	153,598 00	+262,073 00
Loans and Bills Payable	3,015,000 00		+3,015,000 00
Matured Debt	27,000 00		+27,000 00
Other Working Liabilities	11,000 00	28,461 93	-17,461 93
	5,253,065 22	1,818,310 35	+3,434,754 87
<b>Accrued Liabilities Not Due:</b>			
Unmatured Interest, Dividends and Rents Unpaid	502,944 23	610,390 72	-107,446 49
Taxes Accrued	263,283 17	215,818 66	+47,464 51
	766,227 40	826,209 38	-59,981 98
<b>Deferred Credit Items:</b>	57,888 90	86,156 31	-28,267 41
<b>Appropriated Surplus:</b>			
Additions & Betterments to Property Through Income	183,991 67	183,789 67	+202 00
Invested in Sinking Funds	189,229 58	162,871 06	+26,358 52
	373,221 25	346,660 73	+26,560 52
<b>Profit and Loss</b>	249,230 07	841,358 85	-592,128 78
<b>Total</b>	128,487,512 84	119,292,875 62	+9,194,637 22

**Texas Company, Houston.—New Officers.—**

At the annual meeting on Nov. 25 the Eastern proxy committee, consisting of J. J. Mitchell, A. B. Hepburn, J. N. Hill, Arnold Schlaet and L. H. Lapham, voted two-thirds of the stock and elected three new directors who in turn elected E. C. Lufkin President in place of J. S. Cullinan; Arnold Schlaet, T. J. Donaghue, R. C. Holmes, G. L. Noble and W. A. Thompson Jr. were elected Vice-Presidents; C. P. Dodge, Secretary to succeed J. L. Autry. New directors: J. N. Hill, to succeed the late Charles G. Gates; A. L. Beaty (now the company's general attorney), W. A. Thompson Jr. and J. H. Lapham, succeeding J. S. Cullinan, J. L. Autry and W. C. Hogg.—V. 97, p. 1120, 732.

**Watertown (S. D.) Water Co.—1st M. Bonds.—Called.**

Bonds Nos. 7, 21, 35, 44, 93, 120, 249, 321 and 332, for payment at par and int. on Jan. 2 1914 at Empire Trust Co., N. Y. City.—V. 95, p. 1549.

**Western Sugar & Land Co., Colo. Springs.—Purchase.**

The shareholders were to vote Oct. 28 (1) on purchasing the Southwestern Sugar & Land Co. of Arizona (V. 92, p. 122); (2) on increasing the capital stock from \$2,000,000 to \$6,000,000, half to be pref. stock. Improvements to cost a considerable sum and a new refinery at Delta, Col., are said to be proposed.—V. 86, p. 1228.

**Westinghouse Electric & Mfg. Co., Pittsburgh, Pa.—**

See British West. El. & Mfg. Co., V. 97, p. 1506.—V. 97, p. 959, 449.

**Whipple Car Co.—Sold to Grand Trunk.—**

See Grand Trunk Ry. under "Railroads" above.—V. 97, p. 528.

"How to Comply with the Income Tax Law" is the title of a comprehensive analysis in pamphlet form prepared by Mr. Stuart H. Patterson, who was retained as expert for the Trust Companies Committee of New York City on income tax matters. This pamphlet relates particularly to tax on interest, and is intended as a practical guide to bondholders, banking institutions, trust companies and all issuing corporations. It contains a number of valuable charts, forms, description of methods and shows how ownership certificates of bondholders should be filled out under varying conditions. The pamphlet is published by Trust Companies Magazine, 1 Liberty St., New York City.

—In an advertisement elsewhere in the "Chronicle" today, F. J. Lisman & Co. of 30 Broad St., New York, Philadelphia, Chicago and Hartford, and members of the New York Stock Exchange, announce that they "have on file extracts relating to the income tax of every bond listed on the New York Stock Exchange as well as of most other bond issues in the United States." The firm will be pleased to furnish copies of these extracts to any investor and solicits the correspondence of parties interested.

—P. B. Thomas, until recently connected with Plympton, Gardiner & Co. of this city, will represent Hornblower & Weeks of New York City and Boston in Eastern Pennsylvania after Dec. 1. Hornblower & Weeks, bankers and dealers in investment securities, are members of the New York, Boston and Chicago Stock Exchanges, with direct private wires to all the principal markets, and besides the New York and Boston offices, the firm has branches in Chicago, Detroit, Providence, Hartford and Newport.

—O'Connor & Kahler, dealers in municipal bonds at 49 Wall St., this city, have discontinued business owing to the death of J. C. O'Connor and will be succeeded by the firm of H. A. Kahler & Co. The new co-partnership will include H. A. Kahler, Percy G. Merrifield and Thomas F. Sherwood, who were associated with the corporation of O'Connor & Kahler in an official capacity during its entire existence.

The Commercial Times.

COMMERCIAL EPITOME.

Friday Night, Nov. 28 1913.

The big industries of the country as a rule are slowing down. The new sales of iron and steel are far below the present production. Increasing caution is noticed in various branches of trade. Railroad companies are buying equipment material on a smaller scale than expected. Mild weather has hurt retail trade. Woolens and lumber are noticeably quiet. Collections as a rule are less prompt. The possibility of disturbing currency legislation and of an agitation over trust legislation are not conducive to cheerfulness in business circles. Canada is drawing large amounts of gold. The suspension of a large real estate security company is announced here. On the other hand, exports of wheat are large, holiday trade on the whole is good and cotton goods sell well.

LARD has been easier, but latterly has shown more steadiness. Prime Western \$11 15; refined for the Continent \$11 75; South America \$12 30; Brazil in kegs \$13 30. Cash trade has been rather dull. Lard futures have been irregular, declining for a time and then rallying.

DAILY CLOSING PRICES OF LARD FUTURES IN CHICAGO.

	Sat.	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thurs.	Fri.
November delivery cts.	10.70	10.72 1/2	10.90	10.87 1/2	Holl- 10.65	10.87 1/2
January delivery	10.87 1/2	10.90	11.15	11.12 1/2	day	11.12 1/2
May delivery	11.10	11.12 1/2	11.15	11.12 1/2		

PORK steady; mess \$23 25@\$23 75; clear \$20 25@\$22; family \$25@\$27. Beef steady; mess \$18@\$19; packet \$19@\$20; family \$20@\$23. Extra India \$28@\$30. Cut meats firm; pickled hams, 10 to 20 lbs., 13@13 5/8c.; bellies clear, f.o.b. New York, 14@14 5/8c. Butter, creamery extras, 33@35c. Cheese, State whole milk held colored specials, 16 1/2@16 3/4c. Eggs, fresh gathered extras, 46@48c.

OILS.—Linseed firm; City, raw American seed 50@51c.; boiled 51@52c.; Calcutta 70c. Cottonseed oil easier; winter 7.25@7.90c.; summer white 7.25@7.75c. Cochin, 13 1/2@13 3/4c.; Ceylon 10 3/4@10 1/8c.; Chinawood 7 1/2@7 3/4c.; corn 6.60@6.65c.; cod, domestic 39@40c.; Newfoundland 42@43c.

COFFEE has been quiet, with No. 7 Rio 9 3/4c. and fair to good Cucuta 12 3/4@13 1/4c. Coffee futures have been irregular, but in the main, steadier despite heavy Brazilian receipts and large stocks at Havre, where it is supposed that the stringency in the French money markets has more or less effect. The monetary tension in Brazil, together with a heavy movement of the crop, are regarded as unfavorable factors by not a few. Yet, Brazil has latterly bought coffee here to some extent and this fact, together with a demand from shorts, has caused something of a rally in prices. To-day, prices declined on lower quotations in Europe, some weakness at Santos, and a decline in Havre and Hamburg.

Closing prices were as follows:

November	9.48@9.50	February	9.76@9.78	May	10.17@10.18
December	9.48@9.50	March	9.91@9.92	June	10.27@10.28
January	9.62@9.64	April	10.04@10.05		

SUGAR.—Raw lower; centrifugal, 96-degrees test, 3.61c.; muscovado, 89-degrees test, 3.11c.; molasses, 89-degrees test, 2.86c. European beet cables recently were steady. The weather has been favorable for grinding in Louisiana and good progress is being made in marketing the crop. Granulated quiet and steady. at 4.30c.

PETROLEUM firm; barrels 8.75@9.75c., bulk 5.25@6.25c., cases 11.25@12.25c. Pennsylvania dark, \$2 50; second sand, \$2 50; Tiona, \$2 50; Cabell, \$2 07; Mercer black, \$2; New Castle, \$2; Corning, \$2; Wooster, \$1 91; North Lima, \$1 49; South Lima, \$1 44; Somerset, 32 degrees and above, \$1 35; Illinois, \$1 40; Naphtha steady; 73 to 76 degrees, in 100-gallon drums, 24 1/2c.; drums \$8 50 extra. Gasoline, 86-degrees test, 29 1/2c.; 74 to 76 degrees, 25 1/4c.; 60 to 70 degrees, 22 1/4c.; stove, 21c. Spirits of turpentine 46 1/2@47c. Common to good strained rosin \$4 10.

TOBACCO has been quiet but steady as regards most grades. Wisconsin has been neglected for Ohio tobacco. The fact that manufacturers to all appearance are carrying but small supplies of binder and filler encourages the belief among not a few that prices are likely to be maintained. It is pointed out that quite a little business has recently been done at 10 cents for Gebhardt of the 1913 crop and 12 1/2 cents for Zimmer Spanish. In Sumatra tobacco there is nothing more than the ordinary business from day to day. Cuban leaf is firm without much business.

COPPER has shown further weakness as trade has been dull and stocks are increasing. London broke and then rallied; Lake here on the spot, 15c.; electrolytic 14 1/2c. Tin dropped here to 39 1/4c. on the spot, and then became steadier with a better demand for future delivery; spot sales light. Lead here 4 1/4c.; spelter 5 1/4c., both being quiet. Pig iron has been easier with perhaps a little better business at the decline; sales, however, are mostly in small lots; No. 2 Eastern \$14 25@\$14 50. No. 2 Southern Birmingham \$10 50. Sales of finished iron and steel have still been comparatively small and prices are weak. There is still evidently a disposition to await the effects of the new tariff. Mills are running at about two-thirds of their capacity, while their new sales, it is said, are at the rate of not more than one-third of their productive power. Competition on the Pacific Coast from Germany and Belgium has caused special steel bar prices at Pittsburgh for that territory to drop to about 1.05c. At Pittsburgh structural shapes 1.25c.; plates 1.20 to 1.25c.



COTTON.

Friday Night, Nov. 28, 1913

THE MOVEMENT OF THE CROP, as indicated by our telegrams from the South to-night, is given below. For the week ending this evening the total receipts have reached 423,795 bales, against 434,152 bales last week and 485,269 bales the previous week, making the total receipts since Sept. 1 1913 5,241,918 bales, against 5,373,617 bales for the same period of 1912, showing a decrease since Sept. 1 1913 of 131,699 bales.

	Sat.	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thurs.	Fr.	Total.
Galveston	17,053	21,568	39,866	29,713	21,177	17,161	146,538
Texas City		6,933	8,536	3,159	4,991	5,372	28,991
Pt. Arthur							
Aran. Pass. &c.						6,896	6,896
New Orleans	8,299	13,213	14,811	14,895	20,396	9,300	80,914
Mobile	2,350	1,362	3,009	2,870	210	2,144	11,945
Pensacola				15,034		10,150	25,184
Jacksonville, &c.						1,821	1,821
Savannah	7,426	10,673	11,632	7,825	4,600	4,831	46,987
Brunswick						5,500	5,500
Charleston	2,773	5,123	3,511	1,938	2,580	3,145	19,070
Wilmington	2,673	3,630	2,764	2,480	1,505	1,200	14,252
Norfolk	4,357	4,872	5,350	4,820	4,810	2,162	26,371
New York				52	50	3,516	3,516
Boston	50	165	237	66	109		627
Baltimore						4,682	4,682
Philadelphia				399			399
<b>Totals this week</b>	<b>44,981</b>	<b>67,539</b>	<b>89,716</b>	<b>83,251</b>	<b>60,428</b>	<b>77,880</b>	<b>423,795</b>

The following shows the week's total receipts, the total since Sept. 1 1913, and the stocks to-night, compared with last year:

Receipts to November 28.	1913.		1912.		Stock.	
	This Week.	Since Sep 1 1913.	This Week.	Since Sep 1 1912.	1913.	1912.
Galveston	146,538	1,707,469	184,164	2,229,588	310,474	466,314
Texas City	28,991	213,580	24,567	389,076	29,511	36,719
Port Arthur		11,918	10,788	53,996		
Aranas Pass. &c.	6,896	80,630	2,948	48,758	3,718	4,562
New Orleans	80,914	625,482	94,420	663,059	228,311	255,415
Mobile	11,945	216,188	9,472	125,748	49,434	47,268
Pensacola	25,184	90,250	4,500	57,037		
Jacksonville, &c.	1,821	18,145	953	10,583	1,782	1,345
Savannah	46,987	1,153,060	48,088	802,690	169,992	186,948
Brunswick	5,500	193,900	12,800	173,900	19,990	31,836
Charleston	19,070	326,566	11,814	220,728	65,513	49,638
Wilmington	14,252	273,609	17,389	240,091	37,478	28,137
Norfolk	26,371	252,136	24,950	290,564	49,248	63,860
New York	3,516	22,227	2,461	24,196		
Boston	102	850	628	1,287	44,822	112,668
Baltimore	627	5,259	1,316	9,420	4,002	5,243
Philadelphia	4,682	50,175	2,984	32,300	8,304	12,149
	399	474	100	596	4,533	10,014
<b>Totals</b>	<b>423,795</b>	<b>5,241,918</b>	<b>454,342</b>	<b>5,373,617</b>	<b>1,027,112</b>	<b>1,321,116</b>

In order that comparison may be made with other years, we give below the totals at leading ports for six seasons:

Receipts at—	1913.	1912.	1911.	1910.	1909.	1908.
Galveston	146,538	184,164	130,580	108,565	85,404	159,853
Texas City, &c	35,887	38,303	57,103	15,461	9,382	9,565
New Orleans	80,914	94,420	73,631	101,132	35,292	108,600
Mobile	11,945	9,472	13,585	18,261	7,068	18,121
Savannah	46,987	48,088	71,510	71,843	27,024	63,782
Brunswick	5,500	12,800	10,950	16,250	1,240	22,748
Charleston, &c	19,070	11,814	19,495	18,630	3,704	7,490
Wilmington	14,252	17,389	20,494	20,216	4,219	14,334
Norfolk	26,371	24,950	32,379	35,431	13,767	31,711
New York, &c.	3,516	2,461	2,014	487	763	
All others	32,815	10,481	26,552	26,353	28,526	21,340
<b>Total this wk.</b>	<b>423,795</b>	<b>454,342</b>	<b>458,293</b>	<b>432,629</b>	<b>216,389</b>	<b>457,544</b>
<b>Since Sept. 1.</b>	<b>5,241,918</b>	<b>5,373,617</b>	<b>5,304,548</b>	<b>4,516,041</b>	<b>4,294,749</b>	<b>4,826,029</b>

The exports for the week ending this evening reach a total of 385,805 bales, of which 137,847 were to Great Britain, 53,181 to France and 194,777 to the rest of the Continent. Below are the exports for the week and since Sept. 1 1913.

Exports from—	Week ending Nov. 28 1913. Exported to—				From Sept. 1 1913 to Nov. 28 1913. Exported to—			
	Great Britain.	France.	Continent.	Total.	Great Britain.	France.	Continent.	Total.
Galveston	51,861		68,424	120,285	493,333	171,911	608,888	1,274,132
Texas City	11,677		16,676	29,353	121,354	14,270	47,833	183,457
Pt. Arthur							8,193	8,193
Ar. Pass. &c.					22,162		4,977	27,139
New Orleans	31,504	14,200	14,418	60,122	236,240	70,667	99,861	406,768
Mobile	7,256		3,962	11,218	48,002	28,499	59,629	136,130
Pensacola		10,150	15,034	25,184	25,086	34,144	31,020	90,250
Savannah	11,709	14,829	31,305	67,893	128,315	177,190	368,358	663,863
Brunswick	7,450		7,450	14,909	48,029	22,954	91,765	162,748
Charleston			22,536	22,536	81,939	5,030	130,399	217,368
Wilmington		13,800		13,800	30,071	74,043	132,685	227,799
Norfolk	3,899			3,899	18,252		20,910	39,162
New York	1,881	202	10,914	12,997	86,062	4,748	94,791	185,601
Boston	1,694		508	2,202	36,028		2,984	39,012
Baltimore	3,381		5,876	9,257	20,427	4,655	40,831	65,913
Philadelphia	5,535			5,535	17,417		2,117	19,534
San Fran.			675	675			75,551	75,551
Pt. Towns'd			3,399	3,399			34,527	34,527
<b>Total</b>	<b>137,847</b>	<b>53,181</b>	<b>194,777</b>	<b>385,805</b>	<b>1,412,717</b>	<b>608,111</b>	<b>1,836,319</b>	<b>3,857,147</b>
<b>Total 1912</b>	<b>188,938</b>	<b>43,148</b>	<b>158,525</b>	<b>390,611</b>	<b>1,781,583</b>	<b>552,903</b>	<b>1,553,162</b>	<b>3,887,648</b>

Note.—N. Y. exports since Sept. 1 include 8,783 bales Peruvian and 75 bales Brazilian to Liverpool.

In addition to above exports, our telegrams to-night also give us the following amounts of cotton on shipboard, not cleared, at the ports named. We add similar figures for New York.

Nov. 28 at—	On Shipboard, Not Cleared for—					Leaving Stock.
	Great Britain.	France.	Germany.	Other Foreign.	Coast-wise.	
New Orleans	9,396	6,828	23,410	16,615		56,299
Galveston	36,055	19,760	20,511	60,939	5,222	142,487
Savannah		3,000	6,200		800	10,000
Charleston	8,000		4,000		1,000	13,000
Mobile	7,780	23,197	4,455		650	36,082
Norfolk	3,000		8,826		15,888	27,714
New York	1,200	1,000	1,100	3,500		6,800
Other ports	20,000	2,000	26,000	8,000		51,000
<b>Total 1913</b>	<b>85,431</b>	<b>55,785</b>	<b>94,502</b>	<b>84,054</b>	<b>23,560</b>	<b>343,382</b>
<b>Total 1912</b>	<b>80,755</b>	<b>56,432</b>	<b>119,264</b>	<b>48,662</b>	<b>23,636</b>	<b>328,749</b>
<b>Total 1911</b>	<b>102,876</b>	<b>29,691</b>	<b>74,747</b>	<b>72,732</b>	<b>29,109</b>	<b>309,155</b>

Speculation in cotton for future delivery has been far from active, the market being what is known as a professional one. Transactions have been moderate, at irregular prices. For a time the drift was very plainly towards a lower level. In fact, quotations got into new low ground below 13 cents, January, for instance, touching 12.78c. and March 12.79c. This was the effect of the big ginning in the last period and the tendency to increase crop estimates. Also, Liverpool prices steadily sagged. Spot sales there decreased. Manchester's trade reports have been pessimistic. Things are not looking well in the textile trades of Germany, Belgium and Austria. East India is said to be well supplied with goods. The financial stringency on the Continent of Europe, and also in Brazil and Canada, are among the factors supposed to be militating against any marked advance in prices at the present time. Meanwhile, the speculation, as already intimated, is inactive. This means that the hedge selling against actual cotton, either by the South or by spot dealers here, has not been so well absorbed as it would be if the much-decried speculation in cotton futures were as large as it often is at this time of the year. Also, the movement of the crop has been free. Spot markets at the South have been quiet. As the price has continued to sag and predictions of 15 cent cotton have died out, skepticism as to any permanent or material rise at this time has increased. Of late Liverpool's spot sales have at times dropped to almost nominal figures. The offerings from the South there have increased. New York and the Continent have been selling there. Also, the premiums on near months here have shrunk, as the stock here has gradually increased. The supply in warehouse at New York has increased about 20,000 bales thus far this month. The impression is growing among some members of the trade that the crop has been under-estimated and the consumption over-estimated. The weather at the South, moreover, has been in the main favorable. This fact has encouraged the idea that the ginning during the last half of November will turn out to be large. The next ginning report is to appear on Dec. 8. One crop estimate by a Southern member of the trade was 14,890,000 bales minimum. A Shreveport estimate was 14,310,000, as against 13,850,000 a couple of weeks ago from the same source. Still another was 15,200,000 bales. On the other hand, however, some crop estimates have been only 13,900,000 bales, including linters. This season linters are reckoned at about 500,000 to 600,000 bales. A New Orleans estimate was 14,100,000 bales. Various Southern exchanges have estimated above 14,000,000. After declining, prices suddenly rallied at the expense of the short interest which had become large and unwieldy. Everybody had got the idea that cotton was going at once to 12½ cents, if not to 12 cents. The technical position thus favored a rally and it came. Trade buying was noticeable on the decline and helped to rally prices. Still sentiment on the whole has been bearish, and rallies are looked upon as temporary incidents in an essentially weak market. Whether this diagnosis is correct or not time alone can determine. Large spot interests, Wall Street, the Waldorf-Astoria contingent, New Orleans, Memphis and the South have, on the whole, been sellers rather than buyers. Sales of print cloths at Fall River have continued to show a large decrease compared with those in corresponding weeks of last year. Thursday was a holiday, being Thanksgiving Day. To-day prices advanced 12 to 18 points, the latter on December. That month was especially strong, as the "notices" due to-day unexpectedly proved to be less than 20,000 bales. Shorts covered. Liverpool, Memphis and spot interests sold. Spot cotton closed at 13.40c. for middling uplands, showing a decline for the week of 20 points.

The official quotation for middling upland cotton in the New York market each day for the past week has been:

Nov. 22 to Nov. 28—		Sat.	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thurs.	Fri.
Middling uplands		13.50	13.50	13.40	13.30	H.	13.40
1913. c.	13.40	1905. c.	11.80	1897. c.	5.81	1889. c.	10.25
1912.	13.10	1904.	9.70	1896.	7.69	1888.	9.88
1911.	9.30	1903.	11.50	1895.	8.62	1887.	10.44
1910.	15.00	1902.	8.55	1894.	6.00	1886.	9.19
1909.	14.55	1901.	8.00	1893.	8.06	1885.	9.44
1908.	9.45	1900.	10.12	1892.	10.00	1884.	10.44
1907.	11.45	1899.	7.81	1891.	8.06	1883.	10.56
1906.	11.40	1898.	5.62	1890.	9.44	1882.	10.50

MARKET AND SALES AT NEW YORK.					
Date	Spot Market Closed.	Futures Market Closed.	SALES.		
			Spot.	Contr't.	Total.
Saturday	Quiet, 10 pts. dec.	Barely steady			
Monday	Quiet	Steady			
Tuesday	Quiet, 10 pts. dec.	Steady			
Wednesday	Quiet, 10 pts. dec.	Steady			
Thursday	Quiet, 10 pts. adv.	HOLIDAY			
Friday	Quiet, 10 pts. adv.	Easy		100	100
<b>Total</b>				<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>



**FUTURES.**—The highest, lowest and closing prices at New York for the past week have been as follows:

	Saturday, Nov. 22.	Monday, Nov. 24.	Tuesday, Nov. 25.	Wed. day, Nov. 26.	Thurs'dy, Nov. 27.	Friday, Nov. 28.	Week.
<b>November</b>							
Range	13.09-13	13.04-06	12.93-97	12.87-92			
Closing							
<b>December</b>						12.93-12	12.90-25
Range	13.15-25	13.04-15	12.97-05	12.90-03		13.02-03	
Closing	13.16-17	13.11-12	13.00-02	12.94-95			
<b>January</b>						12.83-98	12.78-02
Range	12.90-02	12.78-94	12.80-95	12.80-91		12.88-89	
Closing	12.90-91	12.92-93	12.91-92	12.84-85			
<b>February</b>							
Range	12.85-87	12.88-90	12.87-89	12.82-84			
Closing							
<b>March</b>						12.94-07	12.79-07
Range	12.90-03	12.79-97	12.83-03	12.90-99		12.97-98	
Closing	12.90-92	12.95-96	12.99-00	12.93-94			
<b>April</b>						12.91-93	12.99
Range	12.99						
Closing	12.85-87	12.91-93	12.96-97	12.89-91			
<b>May</b>						12.87-98	12.77-01
Range	12.85-01	12.77-95	12.81-99	12.84-93		12.89-90	
Closing	12.87-88	12.93-94	12.94-95	12.87-88			
<b>June</b>							
Range		12.75-91	12.94	12.94			12.75-94
Closing	12.82-84	12.91-92	12.91-93	12.84			
<b>July</b>						12.79-89	12.68-92
Range	12.78-92	12.68-87	12.72-86	12.70-82		12.74-81	
Closing	12.79-80	12.85-86	12.81-82	12.76-77			
<b>August</b>							
Range	12.59	12.49	12.48-50	12.53-54			12.48-59
Closing	12.53-55	12.59-61	12.55-58	12.50-52			
<b>September</b>							
Range							
Closing							
<b>October</b>						11.97-00	11.91-00
Range	12.00	11.91	11.93	11.93-96		11.98-00	
Closing		11.96-99	11.94-95	11.93-94			

**AT THE INTERIOR TOWNS** the movement—that is, the receipts for the week since Sept. 1, the shipments for the week and the stocks to-night, and the same items for the corresponding period of the previous year—is set out in detail below.

Towns.	Movement to November 28 1913.				Movement to November 29 1912.			
	Receipts.		Shipment. Week.	Stock Nov. 28.	Receipts.		Shipment. Week.	Stock Nov. 29.
	Week.	Season.			Week.	Season.		
Ala., Eufaula	700	16,549	500	3,724	828	15,387	40	45,412
Montgomery	6,477	114,131	3,716	32,173	8,290	110,148	4,373	32,942
Selma	6,538	95,785	2,966	19,217	7,014	84,844	6,203	9,418
Ark., Helena	3,717	35,637	2,363	19,093	3,000	30,360	2,756	15,000
Little Rock	10,401	91,280	7,242	47,203	11,148	119,832	11,287	43,192
Ga., Albany	1,000	23,048	900	3,384	806	19,092	1,600	2,000
Athens	3,308	70,798	730	19,617	4,872	70,962	4,567	23,215
Atlanta	5,700	146,122	4,491	26,261	7,139	103,609	5,024	19,080
Augusta	11,924	226,385	4,960	61,472	16,328	213,979	7,139	97,638
Columbus	2,420	33,507	1,550	8,793	4,430	41,301	1,925	21,336
Macon	2,163	33,007	1,757	3,856	1,520	22,673	778	6,737
Rome	3,121	41,797	2,500	8,217	2,697	31,628	3,026	9,713
La., Shreveport	11,925	107,372	7,779	33,449	9,185	101,690	6,547	26,797
Miss., Columbia	2,833	24,713	2,000	7,909	2,313	17,559	2,087	5,452
Greenwood	5,341	43,375	2,800	20,987	3,500	33,558	2,500	17,641
Meridian	1,488	16,157	619	8,534	3,629	31,819	1,778	16,258
Natchez	900	10,778	300	3,600	722	14,039	758	5,101
Vicksburg	2,137	14,405	1,075	8,410	1,707	17,180	1,371	6,880
Yazoo City	2,282	22,044	20	13,431	1,374	16,506	943	8,759
Mo., St. Louis	27,248	160,827	24,024	15,740	27,043	156,052	27,499	12,750
N.C., Raleigh	559	8,409	600	313	675	6,036	600	361
O., Cincinnati	11,002	49,388	7,763	15,053	16,055	52,099	15,557	10,997
Okla., Hugo	3,347	29,779	1,692	5,940	1,901	24,319	1,354	3,174
S.C., Greenw'd	800	8,263	700	617	1,200	13,400	1,000	5,000
Tenn., Memphis	69,611	489,057	41,789	187,374	54,619	388,546	38,471	128,371
Nashville	737	6,842	398	1,524	580	4,018	1,648	105
Tex., Brenham	700	15,770	600	2,081	860	14,292	965	1,771
Clarksville	3,854	36,063	2,639	9,355	2,296	38,336	2,599	6,750
Dallas	7,077	49,296	3,802	10,371	6,000	85,700	6,000	8,501
Honey Grove	3,070	27,105	2,649	5,960	2,323	35,532	2,236	3,947
Houston	142,175	1,543,713	134,058	185,718	143,912	1,980,704	139,395	150,542
Paris	5,829	67,686	6,270	11,418	7,506	98,961	7,207	7,253

Total, 33 towns 368,384 3,732,046 279,942 831,839 364,301 4,061,365 315,412 734,723

**THE VISIBLE SUPPLY OF COTTON** to-night, as made up by cable and telegraph, is as follows. Foreign stocks, as well as the afloat, are this week's returns, and consequently all foreign figures are brought down to Thursday evening. But to make the total the complete figures for to-night (Friday), we add the item of exports from the United States, including in it the exports of Friday only.

	1913.	1912.	1911.	1910.
Stock at Liverpool	746,000	927,000	609,000	639,000
Stock at London	5,000	3,000	4,000	3,000
Stock at Manchester	73,000	49,000	48,000	50,000
<b>Total Great Britain stock</b>	<b>824,000</b>	<b>979,000</b>	<b>661,000</b>	<b>692,000</b>
Stock at Hamburg	13,000	12,000	9,000	3,000
Stock at Bremen	315,000	361,000	241,000	155,000
Stock at Havre	325,000	288,000	157,000	161,000
Stock at Marseilles	2,000	2,000	2,000	2,000
Stock at Barcelona	12,000	15,000	12,000	8,000
Stock at Genoa	18,000	11,000	26,000	35,000
Stock at Trieste	9,000	7,000	4,000	—
<b>Total Continental stocks</b>	<b>694,000</b>	<b>696,000</b>	<b>451,000</b>	<b>364,000</b>
<b>Total European stocks</b>	<b>1,518,000</b>	<b>1,675,000</b>	<b>1,112,000</b>	<b>1,056,000</b>
India cotton afloat for Europe	111,000	25,000	13,000	80,000
Amer. cotton afloat for Europe	989,860	1,161,689	927,573	785,236
Egypt, Brazil, &c., afloat for Europe	76,000	101,000	84,000	98,000
Stock in Alexandria, Egypt	341,000	279,000	185,000	257,000
Stock in Bombay, India	433,000	299,000	226,000	205,000
Stock in U. S. ports	1,027,112	1,312,116	1,256,110	1,023,668
Stock in U. S. interior towns	831,839	734,723	866,581	777,378
U. S. exports to-day	52,095	62,782	35,770	50,857
<b>Total visible supply</b>	<b>5,379,906</b>	<b>5,650,310</b>	<b>4,706,034</b>	<b>4,324,139</b>

Of the above, totals of American and other descriptions are as follows:

	1913.	1912.	1911.	1910.
<b>American</b>				
Liverpool stock	541,000	784,000	524,000	551,000
Manchester stock	46,000	30,000	37,000	43,000
Continental stock	658,000	659,000	418,000	339,000
American afloat for Europe	989,860	1,161,689	927,573	785,236
U. S. port stocks	1,027,112	1,312,116	1,256,110	1,023,668
U. S. interior stocks	831,839	734,723	866,581	777,378
U. S. exports to-day	52,095	62,782	35,770	50,857
<b>Total American</b>	<b>4,145,906</b>	<b>4,744,310</b>	<b>4,065,034</b>	<b>3,570,139</b>
<b>East Indian, Brazil, &amp;c.</b>				
Liverpool stock	205,000	143,000	85,000	38,000
London stock	5,000	3,000	4,000	3,000
Manchester stock	27,000	19,000	11,000	7,000
Continental stock	36,000	37,000	33,000	25,000
India afloat for Europe	111,000	25,000	13,000	80,000
Egypt, Brazil, &c., afloat	76,000	101,000	84,000	89,000
Stock in Alexandria, Egypt	341,000	279,000	185,000	257,000
Stock in Bombay, India	433,000	299,000	226,000	205,000
<b>Total East India, &amp;c.</b>	<b>1,234,000</b>	<b>906,000</b>	<b>641,000</b>	<b>754,000</b>
<b>Total American</b>	<b>4,145,906</b>	<b>4,744,310</b>	<b>4,065,034</b>	<b>3,570,139</b>

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Middling Upland, Liverpool	7.22d.	7.09d.	5.8d.	8.0d.
Middling Upland, New York	13.40c.	13.10c.	9.25c.	15.00c.
Egypt, Good Brown, Liverpool	13.60d.	10.60d.	10d.	11 1/16d.
Peruvian, Rough Good, Liverpool	9.25d.	10.25d.	9.50d.	10.75d.
Brazil, Fine, Liverpool	6 1/2d.	6 1/2d.	5 1/2d.	7 9/16d.
Tinnevely, Good, Liverpool	6 15-16d.	6 9-16d.	5 15-16d.	7 7/8d.

Continental imports for past week have been 301,000 bales. The above figures for 1913 show an increase over last week of 207,278 bales, a loss of 270,404 bales from 1912, an excess of 673,872 bales over 1911 and a gain of 1,055,767 bales over 1910.

**QUOTATIONS FOR MIDDLING COTTON AT OTHER MARKETS.**—Below are the closing quotations of middling cotton at Southern and other principal cotton markets for each day of the week.

Week ending November 28.	Closing Quotations for Middling Cotton on—				
	Saturday,	Monday,	Tuesday,	Wed. day,	Thurs'dy,
Galveston	13 1/4	13 1/4	13 1/4	13 1/4	13 1/4
New Orleans	13 1-16	13 1-16	13 1-16	12 15-16	12 15-16
Mobile	13	13	13	13	13
Savannah	13 1/2	13	13	13	13
Charleston	13	13	13	13	13
Wilmington	13	12 1/2	12 1/2	12 1/2	12 1/2
Norfolk	13 3-16	13 1/2	13 1/2	13 1/2	13 1/2
Baltimore	13 1/2	13 1/2	13 1/2	13 1/2	13 1/2
Philadelphia	13.75	13.75	13.65	13.55	13.65
Augusta	13 1/2	13 5-16	13 1/2	13 1/2	13 1/2
Memphis	13 1/2	13 1/2	13 1/2	13 1/2	13 1/2
St. Louis	13 1/2	13 1/2	13 1/2	13 1/2	13 1/2
Houston	13 3-16	13 3-16	13 3-16	13 3-16	13 3-16
Little Rock	12 1/2	12 1/2	12 1/2	12 1/2	12 1/2

**OVERLAND MOVEMENT FOR THE WEEK AND SINCE SEPT. 1.**—We give below a statement showing the overland movement for the week and since Sept. 1, as made up from telegraphic reports Friday night. The results for the week and since Sept. 1 in the last two years are as follows:

November 28— Shipped—	1913		1912	
	Week.	Since Sept. 1.	Week.	



**WEATHER REPORTS BY TELEGRAPH.**—Our reports from the South this evening by telegraph indicate that while there has been rain in Texas during the week, elsewhere quite generally dry weather has prevailed and the temperature has been moderate for the time of year. With favoring conditions, picking and marketing have progressed satisfactorily.

**Galveston, Tex.**—Heavy rainfall is reported in portions of Texas during the week, which has served to deter what farm work that remains. Owners are holding all high-grade cotton receipts of anything above strict middling. Rain has fallen on two days of the week, the rainfall being fifty hundredths of an inch. Average thermometer 69, highest 73, lowest 64.

**Abilene, Tex.**—There has been rain on three days during the week, the precipitation reaching one inch and seventy-seven hundredths. The thermometer has averaged 55, the highest being 68 and the lowest 42.

**Dallas, Tex.**—We have had showers on three days during the week, the precipitation being twelve hundredths of an inch. Thermometer has ranged from 52 to 73, averaging 63.

**Palestine, Tex.**—Rain has fallen lightly on one day of the week, the rainfall being twelve hundredths of an inch. Average thermometer 62, highest 70, lowest 54.

**San Antonio, Tex.**—There has been heavy rain on four days during the week, the precipitation reaching three inches and three hundredths. The thermometer has averaged 63, the highest being 70 and the lowest 56.

**Taylor, Tex.**—We have had rain on four days during the week, the rainfall being one inch and thirty-five hundredths. The thermometer has ranged from 56 to 72, averaging 64.

**New Orleans, La.**—Rain has fallen on three days of the week, the rainfall being thirty-four hundredths of an inch. Average thermometer 67.

**Shreveport, La.**—We have had rain on one day during the week, the precipitation being one hundredth of an inch. Thermometer has ranged from 48 to 80.

**Vicksburg, Miss.**—Dry all the week. Average thermometer 66, highest 81, lowest 43.

**Memphis, Tenn.**—Good progress being made with picking and marketing. It has rained on one day during the week, the rainfall being six hundredths of an inch. Average thermometer 61, highest 78, lowest 40.

**Charlotte, N. C.**—We have had no rain during the week. The thermometer has averaged 58, the highest being 77 and the lowest 38.

**Selma, Ala.**—Dry all the week. The thermometer has averaged 58.5, ranging from 37 to 78.

**Mobile, Ala.**—We have had no rain during the week. The thermometer has ranged from 46 to 77, averaging 65.

**Madison, Fla.**—We have had no rain during the week. The thermometer has ranged from 55 to 77, averaging 66.

**Savannah, Ga.**—We have had no rain during the week. The thermometer has ranged from 51 to 78, averaging 64.

**Charleston, S. C.**—We have had no rain during the week. The thermometer has ranged from 47 to 78, averaging 63.

**RECEIPTS FROM THE PLANTATIONS.**—The following table indicates the actual movement each week from the plantations. The figures do not include overland receipts nor Southern consumption; they are simply a statement of the weekly movement from the plantations of that part of the crop which finally reaches the market through the outports.

Week ending.	Receipts at Ports.			Stock at Interior Towns.			Receipts from Plantations.		
	1913	1912	1911	1913	1912	1911	1913	1912	1911
Oct. 10	408,848	421,208	431,129	360,911	350,349	429,139	479,008	499,854	500,565
" 17	485,092	500,942	473,532	440,472	445,118	503,157	594,659	595,711	547,550
" 24	488,622	512,935	487,092	522,301	485,258	583,508	570,451	553,075	567,441
" 31	560,392	529,516	487,955	564,003	554,786	664,364	602,094	549,044	568,813
Nov. 7	524,469	502,894	449,418	605,442	595,397	740,866	565,908	549,505	525,920
" 14	485,269	549,698	438,861	669,860	628,370	782,156	549,687	582,671	480,151
" 21	434,152	508,800	483,606	743,397	685,834	827,931	507,689	568,264	529,381
" 28	423,795	454,342	458,293	831,839	734,723	866,581	512,237	503,231	496,943

The above statement shows: 1.—That the total receipts from the plantations since Sept. 1 1913 are 5,959,253 bales; in 1912 were 6,011,304 bales; in 1911 were 6,070,692. 2.—That although the receipts at the putports the past week were 423,759 bales, the actual movement from plantations was 512,237 bales, the balance going to increase stocks at interior towns. Last year receipts from the plantations for the week were 503,231 bales and for 1911 they were 496,943 bales.

**ALEXANDRIA RECEIPTS AND SHIPMENTS.**

Alexandria, Egypt, November 26.		1913.		1912.		1911.	
Receipts (cantars)—							
This week		390,000		380,000		420,000	
Since Sept. 1		4,207,859		3,876,640		2,723,074	
Exports (bales)—		This Week.	Since Sept. 1.	This Week.	Since Sept. 1.	This Week.	Since Sept. 1.
To Liverpool	5,000	81,714	9,000	76,050	11,750	58,394	
To Manchester	9,000	75,753	11,500	79,301	15,500	66,055	
To Continent and India	19,250	114,526	11,250	82,161	10,000	77,413	
To America	1,250	7,636	2,500	25,618	1,000	6,711	
Total exports	34,500	279,629	34,250	263,130	38,250	208,573	

Note.—A cantar is 99 lbs. Egyptian bales weigh about 750 lbs. The statement shows that the receipts for the week were 390,000 cantars and the foreign shipments 34,500 bales.

**NEW YORK COTTON EXCHANGE.**—Recommendations of the Special Committee.—The Board of Managers of the New York Cotton Exchange approved on Friday last the recommendations made by the special committee appointed on October 2 to consider and report a plan of action that would serve to meet the various criticisms that have been directed against the organization. In addition to recommending the adoption of the Government standard types of grades, adding thereto one lower grade, unless it is possible to persuade the Government to substitute the international standards for those promulgated by the Department of Agriculture. Several changes in the rules and by-laws were proposed and they will be voted upon on December 2.

What is proposed to be done was clearly set forth in a statement made by Edward K. Cone, President of the Exchange after the board meeting as follows:

In accordance with the recommendations of the special committee, appointed by the board of managers October 2 1913 to consider the question of changing the existing type standards, the question of making such change in the contract as the committee might deem advisable, and to inquire into the conditions of trading in this market, the board of managers has adopted various rules, a copy of which is inclosed, and also several amendments to the by-laws which you are asked to consider at a special meeting to be held on Tuesday, December 2.

The proposed amendment to Section 20 (a) vesting in the board of managers the power to change standards of grade, may, perhaps, be best explained by quoting the report of the committee: "The New York Cotton Exchange should adopt the standard types of the grades (and half-grades) of white cotton promulgated by the Department of Agriculture in 1909 as the types to be used by the Exchange for the classification of Gulf and Texas cotton, adding thereto one lower grade. That types of upland white cotton equivalent in grade should be prepared by the Exchange—with the approval of the Government, if possible to be used for the classification of uplands cottons; and that a strong and determined effort should be made to secure the co-operation of the Department of Agriculture and of Congress in having such upland types added thereto one lower grade.

That corresponding types of tinged cotton—upland, Texas and Gulf—from the grade of strict low middling up to strict good middling and a type of middling, stained cotton should be prepared for use in the classification of these grades of cotton—if possible, with the approval and co-operation of the Department of Agriculture, as in the case of types of upland white cotton.

That the Government standard types be adopted, with additions herein stated, to take effect from and after April 1 1915.

That the existing intermediary or quarter grades be recognized in the classification of cotton and that a value approximately half way between the adjacent half-grades be given them.

The committee, while advocating the adoption of the Government standard types, is nevertheless of the opinion that it would be better for the New York Cotton Exchange and for the cotton trade generally if the standard types known as the international standard types could be substituted for the present Government standard types; and the committee further recommends that the interim be employed by the New York Cotton Exchange for the purpose of making all possible representations to the authorities in Washington with a view of having these international types adopted as the Government standard types for use in inter-State and foreign commerce. In the event such efforts and representations shall be effective, the Exchange should then rescind its action in adopting the present Government standard types and adopt those which may be approved by the Government authorities on or before April 1 1915. But in the event the Government shall not have taken such action before April 1 1914, then the present Government standard types promulgated in 1909, with the additions herein set forth, shall be the standard types for all trading on the New York Cotton Exchange.

On the recommendation of the committee the board has proposed an amendment providing for monthly revision.

The reasons that have actuated the board of managers in proposing the elimination of good ordinary, low middling tinged, strict middling fair and fair cotton are that but few of these grades are delivered on contract and this elimination will bring us more in harmony with the Government standards.

The reduction in tare from 28 to 25 pounds per bale is in line with the more modern practice of covering the bale, and is in accordance with the resolution adopted at the international meeting of cotton exchanges held at Liverpool last spring.

The adoption of rule 27 has been on the recommendation of the committee that the giving of credit for speculative purposes should be prohibited. In framing the rule the board has had in mind facilitating the business of the cotton trade in all its ramifications.

In addition to the rules adopted and amendments to the by-laws proposed, the board of managers has adopted a resolution continuing the committee on Southern warehouses and has asked that committee to endeavor to work out and to propose a practical method of putting into operation a plan of delivery of cotton in the South.

The board has also authorized the appointment of a committee to consider the subjects of spinning values of cotton, in conjunction with the work now being done by the Department of Agriculture in that matter.

**EGYPTIAN COTTON CROP.**—Messrs. L. H. A. Schwartz & Co. of Boston have the following crop report from Alexandria under date of Nov. 1 1913:

**Zagazig.**—Weather is cool. Bolls attacked with worms have not yet opened and will not even yield Scarto. We estimate the shortage in yield per feddan at 10% in our province. **Mansourah.**—Temperature rather cool beginning of the week. Oct. 28 the heavy rains damaged cotton in the neighborhood of Aga, Simbellaouein and Dekerness. In our district, the second and third picking will be finished in a couple of days. Results obtained so far show a decrease of 5 to 10% per feddan compared with last year. **Kafr-El-Zayat.**—Weather last week was cool. In Menoufieh and the south of Garbieh, the picking is completed. The yield per feddan varies considerably but we believe is slightly superior to last year in the above provinces. Results in the north, however, will be less favorable. **Magaga.**—Upper Egypt, Province Minieh.—Second picking is considered finished nearly everywhere, and has shown poor results as to quantity and quality. We estimate that Upper Egypt will yield 12 to 15% less than last year.

**WORLD'S SUPPLY AND TAKINGS OF COTTON.**

Cotton Takings. Week and Season.	1913.		1912.	
	Week.	Season.	Week.	Season.
Visible supply Nov. 21	5,172,628		5,405,379	
Visible supply Sept. 1		2,055,351		2,135,485
American in sight to Nov. 28	625,011	7,112,024	621,817	7,109,898
Bombay receipts to Nov. 27	88,000	422,000	39,000	148,000
Other India ship'ts to Nov. 27	5,000	53,000	2,000	58,000
Alexandria receipts to Nov. 26	52,000	561,000	51,000	517,000
Other supply to Nov. 26*	5,000	80,000	6,000	80,000
Total supply	5,947,639	10,283,375	6,125,396	10,048,383
Deduct—				
Visible supply Nov. 28	5,379,906	5,379,906	5,650,310	5,650,310
Total takings to Nov. 28a	567,733	4,903,469	474,886	4,398,073
Of which American	478,733	4,008,469	392,886	3,731,073
Of which other	89,000	895,000	82,000	667,000

\* Embraces receipts in Europe from Brazil, Smyrna, West Indies, &c. a This total embraces the total estimated consumption by Southern mills, 770,000 bales in 1913 and 720,000 bales in 1912—takings not being available—and aggregate amounts taken by Northern and foreign spinners, 4,133,469 bales in 1913 and 3,678,073 bales in 1912, of which 3,238,469 bales and 3,011,073 bales American.



INDIA COTTON MOVEMENT FROM ALL PORTS.—The receipts of India cotton at Bombay and the shipments from all India ports for the week and for the season from Sept. 1 for three years have been as follows:

Table showing India Cotton Movement from all ports for the week and for the season from Sept. 1 for three years (1911, 1912, 1913). Includes columns for Receipts at Bombay, Exports from various ports, and Total.

MANCHESTER MARKET.—Our report received by cable to-night from Manchester states that the market is easy for both yarns and shirtings. The demand for India is poor. We give the prices for to-day below and leave those for previous weeks of this and last year for comparison.

Table showing Manchester Market prices for various cotton types (32s Cop Twist, 8 1/2 lbs. Shrt-ings, etc.) for the weeks of 1913 and 1912.

SHIPPING NEWS.—As shown on a previous page, the exports of cotton from the United States the past week have reached 385,805 bales. The shipments in detail, as made up from mail and telegraphic returns, are as follows:

Table of Shipping News detailing exports of cotton from various ports (New York, Galveston, Mobile, etc.) to various destinations (Liverpool, Manchester, etc.) for the week of Nov. 22-28, 1913.

The particulars of the foregoing shipments for the week, arranged in our usual form, are as follows:

Table showing particulars of shipments for the week, categorized by destination (New York, Galveston, etc.) and origin (Great Britain, French Ports, etc.).

The exports to Japan since Sept. 1 have been 109,810 bales from Pacific ports, 9,300 bales from Galveston, 7,200 bales from Savannah and 2,700 bales from New York.

Cotton freights at New York the past week have been as follows, quotations being in cents per 100 lbs.:

Table showing Cotton freights at New York for various destinations (Liverpool, Manchester, etc.) for the week of Nov. 22-28, 1913.

LIVERPOOL.—By cable from Liverpool we have the following statement of the week's sales, stocks, &c., at that port:

Table showing Liverpool market statistics for the week of Nov. 7-28, 1913, including sales of the week, exports, and stocks.

The tone of the Liverpool market for spots and futures each day of the past week and the daily closing prices of spot cotton have been as follows:

Table showing daily closing prices of spot cotton in Liverpool for the week of Nov. 22-28, 1913.

The prices of futures at Liverpool for each day are given below. Prices are on the basis of upland, good ordinary clause, unless otherwise stated.

Table showing prices of futures at Liverpool for various cotton grades (Nov. 22 to Nov. 28) for the week of Nov. 22-28, 1913.

BREADSTUFFS.

Friday Night, Nov. 28 1913.

Flour has continued to sell on a very limited scale. It seems impossible to convince dealers that it is a wise thing to load up at current quotations. At St. Louis there has been only a fair business as a rule. At Kansas City buyers are only purchasing to supply immediate needs.



Wheat took an upward turn early in the week. Bullish news came from Argentina and, needless to say, Argentina is sharply watched. Also, last Monday, the large export sales were made, something like 850,000 bushels, mostly from Chicago and Duluth. One exporter at Duluth sold 5 different kinds of wheat for export. Cash houses at Chicago bought December freely. That made December one of the strongest months at the time. A single concern bought last Tuesday 1,000,000 bushels of December at Chicago, but at the same time selling May at 3 3/4 to 4c. over December. Bulls have been encouraged by the small increase in the world's available supply. It was only 2,253,000 bushels, against an increase in the same week last year of 12,146,000 bushels. Germany reports the offerings of native wheat as small and the demand for foreign wheat in Germany continues on a liberal scale. Russian prices have been reported firm, despite the admission that reserve stocks in the interior are large, and that the outlook is favorable for the crop. In Roumania the new offerings are light. Italy is still importing wheat on a liberal scale. The weather in Australia has been unfavorable for harvesting, being rainy or unsettled. A gloomy outlook is reported for the crop in East India. Offerings there are small, even at strong prices. In Argentina the indicated yield is said to be disappointing. The weather has been cold and unsettled. One estimate of the Argentine surplus is 92,000,000 bushels. Buenos Aires prices have been rising. Liverpool has been influenced by the firmness of Buenos Aires and the smallness of River Plate offerings. English merchants have also had the impression that the crop outlook in Argentina is not favorable. On the other hand, world's shipments have been larger. The total last week was 15,440,000 bushels, against 15,056,000 in the previous week and only 14,400,000 last year. But this has not weighed much against the Argentine news, the increased export demand and the demand to cover. Moreover, No. 2 red wheat is selling at less than a year ago—that is, something like 7 1/2c. a bushel less than then. Still, the advance after, all, has not been very marked. Favorable crop reports have been received from various parts of the country and also from the United Kingdom, France, Russia, Roumania and Italy. To-day prices declined on larger receipts, despite unfavorable Argentine crop reports. One estimate puts its exportable surplus at 90,000,000 bushels and the crop at 170,000,000 bushels, or 10,000,000 less than recent figures.

DAILY CLOSING PRICES OF WHEAT FUTURES IN NEW YORK.

No. 2 red	Sat. 97 1/4	Mon. 99	Tues. 99	Wed. 100	Thurs. 100	Fr. 100
December delivery in elevator	95 3/4	96 1/4	96 3/4	96 3/4	96 3/4	96 3/4
May delivery in elevator	98 1/2	98 3/4	99 1/4	99	98 3/4	98 3/4

DAILY CLOSING PRICES OF WHEAT FUTURES IN CHICAGO.

December delivery in elevator	Sat. 86 1/4	Mon. 86 1/4	Tues. 87 1/4	Wed. 87 1/4	Thurs. 86 1/4	Fr. 86 1/4
May delivery in elevator	90 1/2	90 3/4	91 1/4	91 1/4	91 1/4	90 3/4
July delivery in elevator	87 1/4	87 1/4	88 3/4	88 3/4	88 3/4	88 3/4

Indian corn has been irregular, alternately advancing and declining. After all, too, there has been no great activity. At one time an effort was made to stir up the market on rumors that an embargo had been placed on importations of Argentine feedstuffs, owing to the reported prevalence of hoof and mouth disease in that country. Later on, however, this rumor was officially denied, whereupon prices receded somewhat. It turned out that the United States Government had declared a quarantine eighteen months ago and applied only to Argentine bran, hay and straw. Still some believe that this factor of the hoof and mouth disease in Argentina is destined, sooner or later, to play an important role in making corn prices in the markets of the world. Whether this idea is correct or not, one man's guess is as good as another's. What is clear is that prices at times have advanced on good buying led by the shorts. The stock of American corn decreased last week, moreover, 960,000 bushels, as against a decrease in the same week last year of 269,000 bushels. Cash prices, however, on the other hand, have been irregular. Last Tuesday, for instance, Chicago and some of the outside cash markets dropped 1 to 1 1/2 cents, coincident with predictions of an increased crop movement. Thursday was a holiday—Thanksgiving Day. To-day prices were irregular, ending steady. The weather was rainy and country offerings small.

DAILY CLOSING PRICES OF NO. 2 MIXED CORN IN NEW YORK.

Cash corn	Sat. nom.	Mon. nom.	Tues. nom.	Wed. nom.	Thurs. nom.	Fr. nom.
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DAILY CLOSING PRICES OF CORN FUTURES IN CHICAGO.

December delivery in elevator	Sat. 70 1/4	Mon. 69 3/4	Tues. 70 3/4	Wed. 70 3/4	Thurs. 70 3/4	Fr. 70 3/4
May delivery in elevator	70 3/4	69 3/4	70 3/4	70 3/4	70 3/4	70 3/4
July delivery in elevator	69 1/4	69	69 3/4	69 3/4	69 3/4	69 1/4

Oats have shown no great changes in prices, though at times they have sympathized more or less with the firmness in corn and wheat. The Argentine surplus is now estimated at 65,000,000 bushels, as against 78,000,000 bushels estimated on Nov. 13. There has been no great enthusiasm, however, as the record of prices in the appended tables will show. Yet it is a fact that the increase in the visible supply last week was only 283,000 bushels, as against an increase in the same week last year of 1,103,000 bushels. Cash prices at times have shown noticeable firmness. Still, the supply is admittedly liberal, i. e., 46,655,000 bushels, against 21,422,000 a year ago, so that the present stock is more than double that of the corresponding date last year. It is also some 16,500,000 bushels larger than at this time in 1911. At the same time No. 2 white oats here are nearly 10c. a bushel higher than at this time last year. To-day prices advanced then reacted; 900,000 bushels of Canadian oats are, it is said, to be shipped to Chicago soon.

DAILY CLOSING PRICES OF OATS IN NEW YORK.

Standards	Sat. 46-47	Mon. 46-47	Tues. 46-47	Wed. 46-47	Thurs. 46-47	Fr. 46-47
No. 2 white	47-47 1/2	47-47 1/2	47-47 1/2	47-47 1/2	47-47 1/2	47-47 1/2

DAILY CLOSING PRICES OF OATS FUTURES IN CHICAGO.

December delivery in elevator	Sat. cts. 38	Mon. 37 3/4	Tues. 38	Wed. 37 3/4	Thurs. 37 3/4	Fr. 37 3/4
May delivery in elevator	41 1/4	41 1/4	42	41 1/4	41 1/4	41 1/4
July delivery in elevator	41 1/4	41 1/4	41 1/4	41 1/4	41 1/4	41 1/4

The following are closing quotations:

Winter, low grades	\$3 10	\$3 40	Spring clears	\$4 10	\$4 25
Winter patents	4 80	5 00	Kansas straights, sacks	4 15	4 30
Winter straights	4 20	4 35	Kansas clears, sacks	3 75	4 00
Winter clears	3 80	4 15	City patents	5 85	6 30
Spring patents	4 40	4 50	Rye flour	3 40	3 65
Spring straights	4 10	4 20	Graham flour	3 80	4 50

Wheat, per bushel—f. o. b.		Corn, per bushel—	
N. Spring, No. 1	\$0 96 1/4	No. 2	elevator Nominal
N. Spring, No. 2	94 1/4	Steamer	elevator Nominal
Red winter, No. 2	100	No. 2 yellow	84
Hard winter, No. 2, new	98 1/4	Rye, per bushel—	
Oats, per bushel, new	cts. 46	No. 2	71
Standards	46	State and Pennsylvania	Nominal
No. 2 white	47	Barley—Malting	72@80
No. 3	45 1/2		

WHEAT, BARLEY AND OATS CROPS INCREASED.

—A cablegram from the International Institute of Agriculture, Rome, Italy, has been received by the United States Department of Agriculture, containing the following information:

The total production this year in the countries named below (the principal producing countries of the Northern Hemisphere) of wheat is 9.2% more, of barley 7.5% more and of oats 0.8% more than produced in the same countries last year: Prussia, Italy, Luxembourg, Netherlands, Roumania, Russia in Europe (63 governments), Switzerland, Canada, United States, India, Japan, Russia in Asia (10 governments), Algeria and Tunis. For European Russia the preliminary figures of production this year are: all wheat 838,000,000 bushels, barley 550,000,000, oats 1,101,000,000.

The statements of the movement of breadstuffs to market indicated below are prepared by us from figures collected by the New York Produce Exchange. The receipts at Western lake and river ports for the week ending last Saturday and since August 1 for each of the last three years have been:

Receipts at—	Flour, bbls.	Wheat, 60 lbs.	Corn, 56 lbs.	Oats, 32 lbs.	Barley, 48 lbs.	Rye, 56 lbs.
Chicago	163,000	1,125,000	668,000	1,624,000	595,000	57,000
Milwaukee	105,000	82,000	80,000	292,000	544,000	57,000
Duluth	3,695,000	173,000	42,000	613,000	12,000	12,000
Minneapolis	3,150,000	103,000	513,000	939,000	148,000	148,000
Toledo	243,000	103,000	11,000	1,000	1,000	1,000
Detroit	7,000	28,000	35,000	47,000	---	---
Cleveland	8,000	7,000	490,000	502,000	1,000	---
St. Louis	59,000	542,000	254,000	442,000	79,000	7,000
Peoria	40,000	35,000	269,000	124,000	87,000	25,000
Kansas City	---	413,000	487,000	178,000	---	---
Omaha	---	235,000	1,028,000	290,000	---	---
Tot. wk. '13	382,000	9,555,000	3,587,000	4,065,000	2,859,000	306,000
Same wk. '12	429,941	11,255,545	3,180,978	4,888,808	3,266,316	652,039
Same wk. '11	294,928	4,908,771	3,980,454	2,299,477	1,978,604	201,889
Since Aug. 1						
1913	6,740,000	154,117,000	60,007,000	96,481,000	44,557,000	7,299,000
1912	6,249,555	178,001,066	51,102,300	102,372,372	40,539,689	8,939,693
1911	5,429,932	108,911,388	53,252,262	59,404,479	37,715,509	4,475,386

Total receipts of flour and grain at the seaboard ports for the week ended Nov. 22 1913 follow:

Receipts at—	Flour, bbls.	Wheat, bush.	Corn, bush.	Oats, bush.	Barley, bush.	Rye, bush.
New York	165,000	1,246,000	261,000	290,000	92,000	---
Boston	45,000	1,134,000	2,000	86,000	---	---
Philadelphia	46,000	638,000	44,000	174,000	---	32,000
Baltimore	36,000	613,000	41,000	38,000	1,000	4,000
New Orleans*	62,000	55,000	113,000	54,000	---	---
Norfolk	1,000	---	---	---	---	---
Galveston	---	29,000	3,000	---	---	---
Mobile	3,000	---	---	---	---	---
Montreal	89,000	1,220,000	---	15,000	38,000	---
Halifax	---	52,000	---	---	---	---
Total week 1913	447,000	4,987,000	464,000	657,000	131,000	36,000
Since Jan. 1 1913	11,203,000	182,723,000	47,750,000	49,197,000	18,040,000	2,844,000
Total week 1912	469,825	5,758,092	431,257	3,060,359	685,329	77,413
Since Jan. 1 1912	16,368,497	134,710,652	30,308,017	68,965,512	6,229,808	874,602

\* Receipts do not include grain passing through New Orleans for foreign ports on through bills of lading.

The exports from the several seaboard ports for the week ending Nov. 22 are shown in the annexed statement:

Exports from—	Wheat, bush.	Corn, bush.	Flour, bbls.	Oats, bush.	Rye, bush.	Barley, bush.	Peas, bush.
New York	1,497,904	5,214	153,683	32,495	---	113,799	1,397
Boston	837,155	---	14,881	29,430	---	68,087	---
Philadelphia	568,000	---	14,000	---	---	---	---
Baltimore	648,260	8,920	38,031	---	---	---	---
New Orleans	43,000	11,000	7,000	1,000	---	---	---
Galveston	---	---	9,000	---	---	---	---
Mobile	---	---	3,000	---	---	---	---
Montreal	952,000	---	45,000	122,000	---	92,000	---
Halifax	52,000	---	---	---	---	---	---
Norfolk	---	---	1,000	---	---	---	---
Total week	4,598,319	25,134	285,595	184,925	---	269,886	1,397
Week 1912	5,070,225	54,256	258,816	1,402,829	17,138	604,892	416

The destination of these exports for the week and since July 1 1913 is as below:

Exports for week and since July 1 to—	Flour		Wheat		Corn	
	Week	Since July 1	Week	Since July 1	Week	Since July 1
United Kingdom	106,387	2,287,993	2,485,402	43,497,011	---	151,270
Continent	93,857	1,274,924	1,836,076	48,340,524	---	458,044
Sou. & Cent. Amer.	45,097	451,952	187,391	700,537	---	304,677
West Indies	39,644	687,145	46,250	80,267	---	21,139
Brit. Nor. Am. Colon.	412	56,199	---	---	---	3,221
Other Countries	198	75,958	43,200	63,200	1,620	17,379
Total	285,595	4,834,171	4,598,319	92,681,539	25,134	1,616,501
Total 1912	288,16	3,983,033	5,070,225	65,268,210	54,256	1,281,110

The world's shipments of wheat and corn for the week ending Nov. 22 1913 and since July 1 1913 and 1912 are shown in the following:



Exports.	Wheat.			Corn.		
	1913.		1912.	1913.		1912.
	Week Nov. 22.	Since July 1.	Since July 1.	Week Nov. 22.	Since July 1.	Since July 1.
North Amer.	Bushels. 6,288,000	Bushels. 130,114,000	Bushels. 99,522,000	Bushels. 639,000	Bushels. 415,000	Bushels. 415,000
Russia	6,176,000	70,214,000	59,331,000	162,000	6,660,000	5,558,000
Danube	1,520,000	16,340,000	29,823,000	295,000	6,711,000	8,558,000
Argentina	336,000	11,066,000	29,186,000	1,828,000	105,675,000	126,283,000
Australia	304,000	12,960,000	9,704,000			
India	616,000	23,712,000	3,458,000			
Oth. countr's	200,000	3,890,000	3,458,000			
Total	15,440,000	268,296,000	265,700,000	2,288,000	119,685,000	140,944,000

The quantity of wheat and corn afloat for Europe on dates mentioned was as follows:

	Wheat.			Corn.		
	United Kingdom.	Continent.	Total.	United Kingdom.	Continent.	Total.
	Bushels.	Bushels.	Bushels.	Bushels.	Bushels.	Bushels.
Nov. 22 1913.	12,592,000	20,440,000	33,032,000	6,426,000	7,650,000	14,076,000
Nov. 15 1913.	12,424,000	18,528,000	30,952,000	8,364,000	6,919,000	15,283,000
Nov. 23 1912.	21,120,000	18,856,000	39,976,000	12,640,000	21,233,000	33,873,000
Nov. 25 1911.	22,200,000	10,296,000	32,496,000	2,712,000	3,085,000	5,797,000

The visible supply of grain, comprising the stocks in granary at principal points of accumulation at lake and seaboard ports Nov. 22 1913 was as follows:

In Thousands—	UNITED STATES GRAIN STOCKS.						
	Amer. Bonded		Amer.		Amer. Bonded		Amer. Bonded
	Wheat.	Wheat.	Corn.	Oats.	Oats.	Rye.	Barley.
New York	1,592	975	16	1,173	164	8	23
Boston	7	1,640	16	74	21	2	2
Philadelphia	278	1,055	25	74			
Baltimore	255	845	48	428		210	1
New Orleans	125		46	129			
Galveston	455		107				
Buffalo	2,442	1,659	329	1,659	142	65	1,143
Toledo	1,296		72	705		10	
Detroit	37		173	101		42	
Chicago	8,654		751	14,200		386	209
Chicago afloat			44				
Milwaukee	275		7	383		330	412
Duluth	12,746	397		1,114	1,708	394	1,937
Minneapolis	15,703		17	3,428		739	1,213
St. Louis	2,285		130	1,684		45	40
Kansas City	8,627		286	1,300			
Peoria	125		11	1,718		9	
Indianapolis	265		116	242			20
Omaha	1,377		157	2,372		67	
On Lakes	2,792						514
On Canal and River	396						130
Total Nov. 22 1913.	59,732	6,471	2,335	30,626	2,035	2,307	5,644
Total Nov. 15 1913.	60,962	6,332	3,519	31,136	1,759	2,235	5,763
Total Nov. 23 1912.	55,369	1,442	1,535	12,001	72	1,649	4,174
Total Nov. 25 1911.	69,367		1,591	20,681		1,381	4,411

In Thousands—	CANADIAN GRAIN STOCKS.						
	Canadian Bonded		Canadian		Canadian Bonded		Canadian Bonded
	Wheat.	Wheat.	Corn.	Oats.	Oats.	Rye.	Barley.
Montreal	1,186		52	1,042		18	546
Ft. William & Pt. Arthur	11,746			4,437			
Other Canadian	7,437			4,362			
Total Nov. 22 1913.	20,369		52	9,841		18	546
Total Nov. 15 1913.	21,156		7	9,084		18	323
Total Nov. 23 1912.	18,936		16	5,238			165
Total Nov. 25 1911.	11,131		40	4,551			74

In Thousands—	SUMMARY.						
	Bonded		Bonded		Bonded		Bonded
	Wheat.	Wheat.	Corn.	Oats.	Oats.	Rye.	Barley.
American	59,732	6,471	2,335	30,626	2,035	2,307	5,644
Canadian	20,369		52	9,841		18	546
Total Nov. 22 1913.	80,101	6,471	2,387	40,467	2,035	2,345	6,190
Total Nov. 15 1913.	82,118	6,332	3,526	40,220	1,758	2,253	6,086
Total Nov. 23 1912.	74,305	1,442	1,551	17,229	72	1,649	4,339
Total Nov. 25 1911.	80,498		1,631	25,232		1,381	4,485

THE DRY GOODS TRADE.

New York, Friday Night, November 28 1913.

The week passed off without any new feature in the dry goods trade. Scarcity of stocks in all hands and an urgent demand for supplies for the remainder of the year are the chief factors in the situation. Regarding business for the first quarter of 1914, all branches of the trade are conservative. The high prices and a determination to enter the new year with small stocks are resulting in purchases being confined to immediate and nearby deliveries. Manufacturers continue to keep operations within the limit of the actual business which they have in sight and are not putting forth extra efforts to secure advance business. Uncertainties as to the effect of the tariff after the first of the year, together with the prospect of a strong raw material situation for some time to come, are making them cautious. The fact that there is no accumulation of stocks anywhere leaves them in control of the situation, and in view of the many uncertainties, they are working to maintain this condition. With jobbers, business for spot and nearby delivery is good and, owing to the scarcity of their supplies, they are having difficulty in meeting their engagements. Jobbers complain that shipments from mills due them on old contracts are slow in arriving and are urging prompter shipments, although not inclined to place new orders. They are in receipt of a good demand from retailers for all staple lines in preparation for the coming holiday and year-end clearances. Retailers report an active business over their counters from day to day, but are only carrying sufficient stock to put them through the year. Export business is dull. Stocks at leading ports, together with shipments still due to arrive, are sufficient to meet requirements for some time. It is reported that a few of the purchases for Red Sea account have been resold in this market at a sacrifice in price, which has further unsettled conditions. Red Sea and Mediterranean ports are still able to secure Austrian and Italian goods at

prices more attractive than New York to Norfolk. In China, the unsettled state of credit and a slow movement to the interior restrict further buying:

DOMESTIC COTTON GOODS.—The exports of cotton goods from this port for the week ending Nov. 22 were 3,047 packages, valued at \$232,063, their destination being to the points specified in the table below:

New York to Nov. 22—	1913—		1912—	
	Week.	Since Jan. 1.	Week.	Since Jan. 1.
Great Britain	6	2,089	56	3,699
Other European	29	1,184	61	1,765
China		70,012	12	56,151
India		15,214	12	25,632
Arabia		33,342	1,327	46,415
Africa	254	23,261	545	26,138
West Indies	889	33,593	694	40,999
Mexico		2,254	140	3,141
Central America	715	15,111	198	18,451
South America	961	45,347	499	64,922
Other countries	193	57,396	1,772	67,617
Total	3,047	298,803	5,304	354,930

The value of these New York exports since Jan. 1 has been \$22,956,445 in 1913, against \$23,337,724 in 1912.

Helped by the holiday, less activity has been witnessed in domestic cotton markets during the past week, although prices have maintained a firm undertone. Buyers appear to be more concerned over getting delivery of goods already contracted for than they are about placing new orders, and many severe complaints are being made because mills are so backward. Many lines of goods are in very small supply merchants are experiencing great difficulty in obtaining sufficient goods to meet their requirements. Drills and she tings are firm largely because they are in such small supply for prompt and nearby shipment. Blankets are also scarce and mills that have not satisfied old orders and are seeking new business for 1914 delivery are, in some quarters, being unfavorably criticised. Bleached cottons are wanted steadily in small lots, fancy cottons are in moderate demand, duck rules firm and denims are quiet with buyers displaying little readiness to place orders freely for delivery next year. As regards ticking, while prices are steady, new business is coming forward slowly. Jobbers are placing orders for staple lines for quick delivery and there is quite a good trade in wash fabrics with purchases confined largely to wide dress cottons and fancy printed goods. Print cloths have developed a slightly easier undertone, with the trading inactive. Weakness in the staple market and indifference of buyers are factors to which the easiness is attributed. It is generally believed, however, that prices would readily recover should any large buying movement develop. Gray goods, 3 1/2-inch standard, are quoted 1/8c. lower at 5 1/2c. to 5 5/8c.

WOOLEN GOODS. Conditions in woollens and worsteds are less satisfactory than in any other department of the dry goods trade. Although the volume of business in men's wear and dress goods has been fair, values have been forced to such low levels by the fear of foreign competition, that the margin of profit has been greatly reduced. As mills, however, are only manufacturing goods in sufficient quantities to supply orders, notwithstanding increased importations, there is likely to be a shortage of supplies after the first of the year, and for this reason selling agents are warning buyers not to delay too long in providing for their future requirements.

FOREIGN DRY GOODS.—Linen are active with a good demand for fancy linens for the holiday trade. Linen for household use are being purchased in a liberal way for both prompt and future delivery and foreign mills are reported as being very busy. Spot supplies are much smaller than usual at this time of the year, and as a result of this condition of affairs many orders are being placed on the other side. Burlaps are quiet, with the undertone easier, particularly as regards heavy-weights. Light-weights are quoted at 6c. and heavyweights nominally at 7.40c. to 7.60c.

Importations & Warehouse Withdrawals of Dry Goods.

Manufactures of—	Imports Entered for Consumption for the Week and Since Jan. 1.		Warehouse Withdrawals Thrown Upon the Market.	
	Week Ending Nov. 22 1913. Pkgs.	Value.	Since Jan. 1 1913. Pkgs.	Value.
Wool	258	45,710	28,394	6,908,532
Cotton	2,285	809,605	124,840	35,502,155
Silk	1,229	516,295	71,310	31,167,752
Flax	2,240	457,211	76,368	17,525,261
Miscellaneous	1,879	236,557	109,831	11,489,762
Total 1913.	7,891	2,065,378	410,743	102,593,462
Total 1912.	11,655	2,517,156	474,734	109,620,817

Manufactures of—	Imports Entered for Consumption.		Imports Entered for Warehouse During Same Period.	
	Week Ending Nov. 22 1913. Pkgs.	Value.	Week Ending Nov. 22 1913. Pkgs.	Value.
Wool	297	63,476	18,013	4,288,861
Cotton	947	273,504	39,858	11,370,437
Silk	287	97,811	12,768	4,945,071
Flax	626	140,902	34,693	7,400,252
Miscellaneous	1,298	131,743	93,498	5,977,169
Total	3,455	7,074,436	198,830	33,981,790
Entered for consumption.	7,891	2,065,378	410,743	102,593,462
Total marketed 1913.	11,346	2,772,814	609,573	136,575,252
Total marketed 1912.	15,907	3,246,733	684,304	136,249,805

Manufactures of—	Total Imports 1913.		Total Imports 1912.	
	Pkgs.	Value.	Pkgs.	Value.
Wool	772	171,164	26,761	6,155,636
Cotton	970	278,644	45,460	12,618,260
Silk	407	182,335	13,147	5,150,507
Flax	422	105,900	35,961	8,018,569
Miscellaneous	1,622	249,423	103,366	6,594,248
Total	4,193	987,466	224,695	38,535,220
Entered for consumption.	7,891	2,065,378	410,743	102,593,462
Total imports 1913.	12,084	3,052,844	635,438	141,128,682
Total imports 1912.	15,944	3,230,100	681,867	137,335,337



## STATE AND CITY DEPARTMENT.

## STATE AND CITY SECTION.

A new number of our "State and City Section," revised to date, is issued to-day, and all readers of the paper who are subscribers should receive a copy of it.

## News Items.

**Larned, Pawnee County, Kans.—Commission Government Defeated.**—According to reports, the proposition to establish a commission form of government was defeated at the election held Nov. 18 by a vote of 214 "for" to 337 "against."

**Louisiana.—Constitutional Convention Adjourns.**—The Louisiana Constitutional Convention which assembled Nov. 10 completed its labors last Saturday night (Nov. 22). The Convention having been empowered to draft a new constitution without submitting the same to the people, the instrument prepared under this authority became effective immediately, all of the delegates having attached their signatures. As already stated in these columns, the main purpose in holding the convention was to secure amendments which would enable the State to refund its debt due Jan. 1 1914. A previous amendment to the constitution provided that this debt should be met with the proceeds from the sale at not less than par, of new 4% straight 50-year bonds. Efforts to float such securities having proved unsuccessful, however, it became necessary to provide for new bonds with an interest return sufficient to attract investors. The new constitution authorizes the issuance of bonds bearing 4½% interest and maturing serially in from one to fifty years (see bond offering on a subsequent page). No limit is placed on the price at which such bonds may be sold. It is provided also that in the event of failure to sell these new bonds, the Board of Liquidation may sell, at a discount if necessary, 5% temporary funding bonds, the same to run for one year only and to be redeemable on call at a slight premium. As to the provision to meet this debt and the interest thereon, we quote below a statement by Mr. C. B. Masslich of Caldwell, Masslich & Reed of New York:

The full text of the State bond article of the new Louisiana constitution shows unusual precautions against any possible default, and seems to mark a new era in providing for retirement of State debt. The bonds mature serially in from 1 to 50 years, and leave the Legislature no discretion in the matter of the levy of taxes for their payment, a fixed rate being levied by the constitution itself, with an additional clause requiring the County Auditor to supplement the levy by an additional rate to be computed and extended by him whenever made necessary by reduction of assessed valuation or otherwise. The County Auditor's duty is simply mathematical, and notwithstanding the inability of a bondholder to sue the State directly, he can, by mandamus, compel a State officer to perform a ministerial duty plainly required by the constitution or statute. There is no limitation upon the price at which the bonds may be sold, and if not taken at a satisfactory price the Board of Liquidation will take advantage of another constitutional enactment authorizing the issuance of short-time bonds bearing 5% interest:

Seven new ordinances in all were adopted by the Convention and written into the constitution. Omitting the State debt provision, the changes, according to New Orleans newspapers, were as follows:

To amend the Sewerage and Water Board Act (city of New Orleans), authorizing the transfer of surplus funds from the water department to that of the sewerage, and by a two-thirds vote of the board to give a salary to the President of said board.

To authorize \$3,000,000 Dock Board warehouse bonds (city of New Orleans), against which shall be pledged the receipts of such warehouses and net proceeds of the entire port, but not to impair previous issues.

To give constitutional authority to the fire marshal to exercise police powers in the city of New Orleans and collect the two-fifths of 1% tax against fire insurance companies.

To control and prohibit trade-restraining combinations in Louisiana and empower the Attorney-General to bring ouster proceedings and drive them from the State, known as the Parkerson Anti-Trust ordinances.

To authorize the Sewerage and Water Board to continue construction work costing less than \$25,000 with its own forces until Sept. 1 1914, after the Legislature of that year meets; all contracts of \$25,000 or over to be let by bids.

To reserve to the State granting same the right to repeal, alter or amend charters.

**New York City.—Bonds Listed.**—The \$45,000,000 4½% corporate stock sold in May was admitted Nov. 26 to the stock list of the New York Stock Exchange. Owing to the death of Mayor Gaynor (Sept. 10 1913), it became necessary to have the said corporate stock engraved with the name of Hon. A. L. Kline, present Mayor. Although the bonds were intended to be dated as of May 20 1913, with the engraved signature of Mayor Gaynor, in view of the fact that Mayor Kline was not in office on that date, it became necessary to use a date subsequent to his becoming Mayor so that the date on the face of the certificates for said corporate stock, payable to bearer, has been changed from May 20 1913 to Oct. 20 1913.

**Budget for 1914.**—The budget for 1914, amounting to \$192,995,551 62, as submitted by the Board of Estimate and Apportionment, was finally adopted by the Board of Aldermen on November 25 (V. 97, p. 1367). The total amount appropriated is divided as follows:

**First**—The amounts estimated to be required to pay the expenses of conducting the public business, to meet debt charges and to meet a direct State tax levied upon the city for the year 1914: \$182,345,370 90.

**Second**—The amount estimated to be the deficiency on January 1 1913 in the product of taxes theretofore levied, deemed to be uncollectible and not otherwise provided for, as required by Chapter 209 of the Laws of 1906, being Section 248 of the Greater New York Charter: \$2,500,000.

**Third**—The amounts estimated to be required to pay the assessments levied against the Boroughs of Manhattan and Brooklyn for the year 1914: \$520,015 06.

**Fourth**—The amounts estimated to be required to pay the charges and expenses of the Counties of New York, Bronx, Kings, Queens and Richmond for the year 1914: \$6,630,165 66.

**Oklahoma.—Supreme Court Sustains Order For Issuance of Funding Bonds.**—The order for the issuance of \$2,907,122 19 4½% funding bonds to take up outstanding warrants granted by the Oklahoma County District Court was sustained in an opinion handed down November 22 by the special judges appointed by Governor Cruce to try the case. The bond issue was first brought into question in the Oklahoma County District Court through a protest filed by R. J. Edwards, a citizen taxpayer, and from the Court's action sustaining the State's demurrer an appeal was taken. Justice Brewer delivered an opinion last November, sustaining the Board's authority to float the bonds, but remanded the case to the District Court for additional hearing. The issues were again sustained by the District Court and the case appealed, the bond issue now being approved for the second time. Chief Justice Hayes and Justices Kane and Williams disqualified themselves to sit at the trial on the appeal and Governor Cruce appointed R. A. Campbell, an attorney of Oklahoma City, who wrote the opinion, and Judge J. B. A. Robertson and Judge Phil. D. Brewer of the Supreme Court Commission to sit with Justice Robert Loofbourrow at the trial of the case. Judge Robertson dissented from the opinion.

An effort to sell the bonds referred to above was made on Sept. 15. The bids received on that day were rejected, however, and the State Funding Board decided to offer the bonds in exchange for the 6% warrants which they are issued to refund (V. 97, p. 832). The exchange has been held up pending a settlement of the litigation.

**Saginaw, Mich.—Vote.**—We are advised that the vote cast at the election held Nov. 15, which resulted in favor of the question of establishing the commission form of government (V. 97, p. 1524), was 4,295 to 3,303.

**San Antonio, Tex.—City's Right to Pay Commission for Sale of Bonds Sustained.**—Chief Justice W. S. Fly of the San Antonio Court of Civil Appeals has delivered an opinion denying the right of Frank C. Davis to enjoin the city from paying fees to attorneys and commissions to agents in the sale of \$3,450,000 5% bonds. As previously stated, (V. 97, p. 1370), an agency contract for the sale of these bonds was entered into between the city and the Continental & Commercial Trust & Savings Bank, Kountze Bros. and C. W. McNear & Co. Under this contract, these bonds are to be delivered by the city as follows: \$500,000 as soon as legality is established, \$500,000 3 months from that date, \$500,000 6 months from that date and the remainder within 6 months thereafter. The contract also gives the agents the option of having all or any part of the bonds delivered at any time earlier by giving the city notice in writing 30 days beforehand. The agents agreed to find purchasers at par and accrued interest and stipulated that for so doing they should receive a commission of 1.99%, the same to be paid simultaneously with the taking up of the bonds. In ratifying this proposition, the city appropriated out of the revenue for the current year the sum of \$3,000 for lawyers' fees. In approving of this action, the Court holds that, while the law of Texas and the ordinance of San Antonio are both explicit as to the declaration that nothing may be taken from the proceeds of a bond sale if such action shall mean a less than par value, yet attorney's fees and agents' commissions, when no extravagance is charged, are not only legitimate, but necessary, and as such may be paid out of the city's general fund. The opinion also says:

It may be contended that the burden at last falls upon the taxpayer, no matter from which fund the expenses may be paid; but the expenses being absolutely necessary, the taxpayer should not be heard to complain at their payment, nor should he complain that the expenses are taken from a fund other than that raised for public improvement, and that every dollar of that fund is devoted to the purpose for which it was voted.

There was no attempt to use the special fund voted by the people of San Antonio for the improvement of its streets for any other purpose, and it is not so charged in the bill, nor contended for in this Court, and it is the opinion of this Court that the City Council, having been clothed with authority to sell bonds, had the implied authority to incur any legitimate reasonable expense necessary to execute its powers, and that it is empowered to pay such expenses out of the general fund of the city.

### Bond Proposals and Negotiations this week have been as follows:

**ABERDEEN, Chehalis County, Wash.—NO BOND ELECTION.**—We are advised by the City Clerk under date of Oct. 27 that the city has made no provision regarding an election to vote on the issuance of water bonds, as reported in V. 97, p. 902.

**NO REFUNDING BONDS TO BE ISSUED.**—The City Clerk further advises us that it has been decided not to issue the \$117,000 6% 20-yr. refunding bonds (V. 97, p. 1059) at this time.

**ALABAMA CITY, Etowah County, Ala.—BOND SALE.**—The J. B. McCrary Co. of Atlanta was awarded this month \$26,500 water-works, \$18,500 sewer and \$5,000 city-hall 5% 30-year bonds. Denom. \$500 and \$1,000. Date Nov. 1 1913. Int. M. & N.

**ALLENHURST, Monmouth County, N. J.—NO BOND ELECTION.**—The Borough Clerk advises us that the reports stating that an election would be held Nov. 4 to vote on the proposition to issue \$800,000 grade-crossing bonds were erroneous.

**ALLEN TOWNSHIP (P. O. Van Buren), Hancock County, Ohio.—BONDS DEFEATED.**—The proposition to issue the \$15,000 school bldg. bonds (V. 97, p. 902) was defeated at the election held Nov. 4.

**ARMA, Crawford County, Kan.—BOND OFFERING.**—Proposals will be received until 7 p. m. Dec. 1 by H. C. Mahon, City Clerk, for \$26,000 5% 25-yr. water-works and lighting bonds. Denom. \$1,000. Date Nov. 1 1913. Cert. check for \$500, payable to the City Treas., required. Bonded debt \$20,000. Assess. val. 1913 \$250,000.

**ASHLAND, Ashland County, Ohio.—BOND SALE.**—On Nov. 24 the \$6,500 5½% ¼ to 6¼-year (ser.) coup. So. Highland relief-storm-sewer-ext. bonds (V. 97, p. 1305) were awarded to the Farmers' Bank of Ashland for \$6,621 50 (101.869) and int. Other bidders were:



First Nat. Bk., Ashland, \$6,604 00 | Spitzer, Rorick & Co., Tol., \$6,537 70  
 Prov. S. B. & Tr. Co., Cin., 6,573 45 | Sidney, Spitzer & Co., Tol., 6,514 00  
 Seasongood & Mayer, Cin., 6,571 00 | Hoehler & Cummings, Tol., 6,511 00  
 Bred, Elliott & Harr., Cin., 6,568 25 | Ashland Bank & Savings  
 #Baker & Braun, Toledo, 6,565 00 | Co., Ashland, 6,505 00

**ASHLAND SCHOOL DISTRICT, Alameda County, Cal.—BOND ELECTION.**—A vote will be taken on Dec. 6, it is stated, on the question of issuing \$10,000 building bonds.

**AUGUSTA, Ga.—BOND SALE.**—On Nov. 25 the \$250,000 4 1/2% 30-year coup. flood-protection bonds (V. 97, p. 1444) were awarded to the Robinson, Humphrey, Wardlaw Co., Atlanta, Ga.; Baker, Watts & Co., Baltimore, Md.; Kissel, Kinnicut Co., New York City, and the Fifth-Third Nat. Bank, Cincinnati, Ohio, at their joint bid of \$243,781, equal to 97.51. Other bids follow:

Name of Bidder	Amt. of Bid.	Rate.
Harris, Forbes & Co., New York City	\$241,455 00	96.58
R. N. Berlen Jr., Atlanta, Ga.	235,500 00	94.20
John W. Dickey, Augusta, Ga.		
Estabrook & Co., Boston, Mass.	241,878 63	96.75
John D. Howard & Co., Baltimore, Md.		
J. H. Hillsman & Co., Atlanta, Ga.		
Bred, Elliott & Harrison, Cincinnati, Ohio	*242,002 00	96.08
J. H. Fisher & Sons, Baltimore, Md.		

\* Delivery \$100,000 within 60 days, \$100,000 30 days thereafter and \$50,000 60 days thereafter.  
 All bids included accrued interest to date of delivery.

**AUSTIN, Travis County, Tex.—BOND ELECTION PROPOSED.**—Reports state that an election will be held some time this month to vote on the questions of issuing the \$50,000 market-house, \$50,000 abattoir and \$25,000 fire-alarm-system bonds (V. 97, p. 1305).

**AVALON, Los Angeles County, Cal.—BOND ELECTION PROPOSED.**—Reports state this place proposes to call an election in the near future to vote on the issuance of \$125,000 bonds for the purchase of a new wharf, a gas and electric plant and a new sewer system.

**BAKER, Baker County, Ore.—BONDS VOTED.**—Reports state that the question of issuing the \$54,751 pipe-line construction bonds carried at the election recently held by a vote of 324 to 65.

**BARTOW, Polk County, Fla.—BOND OFFERING.**—Proposals will be received until Dec. 29 by F. J. Oelan, City Clerk, for \$50,000 street-paving and \$30,000 refunding 5% 30-yr. bonds. Int. semi-ann. Cert. check for 5% of bid, payable to "City of Bartow", required.

**BELLEVUE, Huron County, Ohio.—BONDS DEFEATED.**—The question of issuing \$23,000 municipal water-works bonds failed to carry at the election held Nov. 4.

**BILLERICA, Middlesex County, Mass.—PURCHASER OF BONDS.**—The purchaser of the \$22,000 4 1/2% water-ext. bonds recently sold at par (V. 97, p. 311) was C. D. Parker & Co. of Boston. Denom. \$500. Date June 1912. Int. M. & N.

**BOARDMAN TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT, Mahoning County, Ohio.—BOND OFFERING.**—Proposals will be received until 7.30 p. m. Dec. 19 by Geo. H. Davidson, Clerk, Bd. of Ed. (P. O. Poland, R. F. D.) for \$20,000 5% site-purchase and construction bonds. Denom. \$500. Date Dec. 26 1913. Int. M. & S. at Mahoning Nat. Bank, Youngstown. Due \$500 each six months from March 15 1920 to Sept. 15 1933 incl. Cert. check on a Mahoning Co. bank for \$500, payable to above Clerk, required. Bonds to be delivered and paid for by Dec. 26.

**BOISE CITY, Ada County, Idaho.—BOND OFFERING.**—Proposals will be received until 12 m. Dec. 18 by Nancy E. Robertson, City Clerk, for the \$36,476 20 10-20-year (opt.) coup. funding bonds authorized Nov. 11 (V. 97, p. 1525). Denom. (36) \$1,000, (1) \$476 20. Date Jan. 1 1914. Int. (not to exceed 6%) J. & J. at office of City Treas. or at Chase Nat. Bank, N. Y. C. An unconditional cert. check on a Boise bank for \$1,000, payable to "Boise City", required. Bonds to be delivered and paid for within 5 days after notice that bonds are ready for delivery.

**BRADENTOWN, Manatee County, Fla.—BOND ELECTION.**—According to reports, the question of issuing \$95,000 public-impt. bonds will be submitted to a vote on Dec. 2.

**BREMERTON, Kitsap County, Wash.—BOND ELECTION.**—Reports state that an election will be held Dec. 2 to vote on the question of issuing \$18,000 dock and street-impt. bonds.

**BRIDGEPORT SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Bridgeport), Harrison County, W. Va.—BOND ELECTION.**—An election will be held Dec. 18, reports state, to vote on the question of issuing \$60,000 school-constr. and improvement bonds.

**BRONXVILLE, Westchester County, N. Y.—BONDS DEFEATED.**—The proposition to issue \$10,000 fire-department bonds was defeated at the election held Nov. 4.

**BURLINGTON, Des Moines County, Iowa.—BOND SALE.**—An issue of \$30,000 5% sewer-constr. bonds was awarded on Oct. 30 to local parties at par. Denom. \$500. Date Nov. 1 1913. Int. M. & N. Due \$5,000 yearly from 1918 to 1923 incl.

**BUTTE COUNTY (P. O. Oroville), Calif.—BOND ELECTION PROPOSED.**—Reports state that petitions are being circulated calling for an election in the Second Supervisorial District to vote on the question of issuing \$200,000 road-construction bonds.

**CADIZ, Harrison County, Ohio.—BOND SALE.**—On Nov. 22 the \$2,000 5% 10-12-yr. (aver.) coup. refunding bonds (V. 97, p. 1445) were awarded to the People's Banking Co. of Coshocton at 100.25 and int. There were no other bidders.

**CAIRO, Alexander County, Ill.—BONDS PROPOSED.**—Reports state that this city is contemplating the issuance of \$63,500 20-yr. (ser.) refunding bonds.

**CALIFORNIA.—BOND SALE.**—On Nov. 21 the \$4,675,000-4% 39-74-year (opt.) San Francisco harbor-improvement bonds (V. 97, p. 1368) were awarded to a syndicate headed by E. H. Rollins & Sons and N. W. Halsey & So., of San Francisco for \$4,746,000—equal to 101.518. The State also pays to the purchaser a commission of 10% on the par value of the bonds, making the net price realized 91.518.

**CHAGRIN FALLS, Cuyahoga County, Ohio.—BONDS DEFEATED.**—The question of issuing \$10,000 5% cemetery bonds failed to carry at an election held Nov. 4. The vote was 176 "for" to 261 "against."

**CHARLOTTE, Nor. Caro.—DESCRIPTION OF BONDS.**—The street-impt. (assess.) bonds (about \$60,000) awarded on Nov. 3 to the Independence Trust Co. of Charlotte for \$1,030 on each \$1,000 bond (V. 97, p. 1525) bear int. at the rate of 6%. Denom. \$1,000. Int. semi-ann. Due one-tenth yearly for 10 years.

**CHAUNCEY SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Chauncey), Dodge County, Ga.—BONDS VOTED.**—Local newspaper reports state that the question of issuing \$10,000 school-constr. bonds carried at the election held Nov. 18.

**CHILLICOTHE, Ross County, Ohio.—BOND OFFERING.**—Proposals will be received until 12 m. Dec. 1 by F. A. Stacey, Pres. Bd. of Sinking Fund Trustees, for the following bonds

- \$2,250 4% Bridge St. storm-sewer bonds. Denom. \$225. Date June 15 1911. Due June 15 1931.
- 780 4 1/2% Mulberry St. sidewalk bonds. Denom. \$78. Date April 5 1911. Due April 5 1921, subject to call one bond yearly.
- 1,000 4% Church St. storm-water-sewer bonds. Denom. \$100. Date June 15 1911. Due June 15 1931.
- 1,100 4% Fifth St. storm-water-sewer bonds. Date June 1 1911. Due June 1 1931.
- 1,500 4% city-park bonds. Denom. \$150. Date Sept. 15 1911. Due Sept. 15 1921.
- 1,650 4% canal-crossing bonds. Denom. \$165. Date Aug. 20 1911. Due Aug. 20 1931.
- 5,000 4% general st.-impt. bonds. Denom. \$500. Date Mar. 9 1912. Due in 20 years.
- 620 4 1/2% Jefferson Ave. sidewalk bonds. Denom. \$62. Date Sept. 1 1911. Due Sept. 1 1921, subject to call one bond yearly.
- 2,140 4 1/2% High St. paving No. 2 bonds. Denom. \$214. Date Sept. 1 1911. Due Sept. 1 1921, subject to call one bond yearly.
- 2,250 4% Eighth and Ninth streets storm-water-sewer bonds. Denom. \$225. Date Sept. 10 1912. Due Sept. 10 1922.
- 1,500 4% canal-crossing No. 2 bonds. Denom. \$500. Date Sept. 30 1912. Due Sept. 30 1932.
- 520 4 1/2% Adams Ave. sidewalk bonds. Denom. \$52. Date June 1 1911. Due June 1 1921, subject to call one bond yearly.

8,500 5% storm water No. 3 refunding bonds. Denom. (8) \$1,000, (1) \$500. Date Oct. 1 1913. Due Oct. 1 1923.

All bonds except last issue (\$8,500) are tax-free. Int. payable at office of City Treas. Cert. check on a national bank for 2% of bonds bid for payable to "Sinking Fund Trustees," required. Bonds to be delivered on Dec. 10. Official circular states that the city has never defaulted in the payment of principal or interest of any of its bonds.

The above are not new issues but securities which have been held by the Sinking Fund as an investment.

**CLANTON, Chilton County, Ala.—BOND ELECTION PROPOSED.**—An election will be held, reports state, to vote on the issuance of \$25,000 5% 30-year water-works-plant bonds.

**CLARK COUNTY (P. O. Jeffersonville), Ind.—BOND OFFERING.**—Proposals will be received until 10 a. m. Dec. 4 by J. R. Scott, County Treasurer, reports state, for \$15,000 4 1/2% 10-yr. highway-impt. bonds.

**CLARKSVILLE, Red River County, Tex.—BOND ELECTION.**—An election will be held Dec. 16, it is stated, to vote on the question of issuing \$20,000 street-paving bonds.

**CLEVELAND, Ohio.—CERTIFICATES AUTHORIZED.**—A resolution was adopted on Nov. 24 providing for the issuance of \$400,000 5 1/2% certificates of indebtedness to meet unpaid bills and care for the city's December pay-roll. Denom. \$10,000. Date Dec. 1 1913. Due Apr. 1 '14.

**COLFAX COUNTY (P. O. Schuyler), Neb.—BONDS DEFEATED.**—The question of issuing the court-house-construction bonds failed to carry, it is stated, at the election held Nov. 11.

**COLLIN COUNTY (P. O. McKinney), Tex.—BOND ELECTION.**—An election will be held in the McKinney District on Dec. 16, it is stated, to vote on the proposition to issue \$450,000 road-constr. bonds.

**COLUMBUS, Stillwater County, Mont.—BONDS NOT TO BE OFFERED THIS YEAR.**—The Town Clerk advises us under date of Nov. 22 that the \$30,000 20-year water bonds at not exceeding 6% int. voted Oct. 31 (V. 97, p. 1525) will not be sold until probably early in March 1914.

**COLUMBUS, Ohio.—BOND SALE.**—The following bids were received for the two issues of 5% bonds offered on Nov. 25 (V. 97, p. 1305)

	Eng. House No. 16	Fire & Police	Total
	Repair Shop	Telephone Appa-	
	Bonds.	ratus Bonds.	Premium
	Premium.	Premium.	
Seasongood & Mayer, Cincinnati	\$446 00	\$236 00	---
C. E. Denison & Co., Cleveland	451 60	228 60	\$635
Curtis & Sanger, Boston	---	---	---
Well, Roth & Co., Cincinnati	367 00	154 00	---
Hoehler & Cummings, Toledo	339 75	150 75	---
Sidney Spitzer & Co., Toledo	331 00	158 00	---
Provident Sav. Bk. & Tr. Co., Cin.	207 20	119 25	---

\* Successful bids.

**COPELY TOWNSHIP (P. O. Akron), Summit County, Ohio.—BONDS DEFEATED.**—The question of issuing \$23,000 bridge bonds failed to carry at the election held Nov. 4.

**CROOK COUNTY (P. O. Prineville), Ore.—BONDS DEFEATED.**—Reports state that the question of issuing the \$200,000 road bonds (V. 97, p. 1060) was defeated at the election held Nov. 4.

**CRYSTAL FALLS, Iron County, Mich.—BOND OFFERING.**—Proposals will be received until 8 p. m. Dec. 1 by W. J. Gribble, City Clerk, for \$40,000 5% city-hall bonds. Denom. \$1,000. Date Dec. 1 1913. Int. semi-ann. at office of City Treas. Due \$2,000 yearly on Sept. 1 from 1915 to 1934 incl. Cert. check for \$500, payable to "City of Crystal Falls", required.

**CULBERSON COUNTY (P. O. Van Horn), Tex.—WARRANT OFFERING.**—The County Judge has been instructed by the Commissioners' Court to sell an issue of \$20,000 6% 20-year coup. tax-free funding warrants (V. 97, p. 1445) at par and accrued interest and allow a commission of 5% on the face of the warrants for selling same. Denom. \$1,000. Date Nov. 11 1912. Int. annually in April in Austin or Van Horn. No deposit required. J. Y. Canon is County Judge. These are the same warrants reported sold to the Commonwealth Trust Co. of Houston in September. We are advised that this company proposed to handle these warrants on a small commission basis, but failed to do so.

**CULPEPER, Culpeper County, Va.—BONDS DEFEATED.**—The question of issuing \$35,000 Catalpha District building bonds was defeated, it is stated, at the election held Nov. 1.

**CUSTER COUNTY (P. O. Miles City), Mont.—BOND SALE.**—The \$100,000 20-year refunding bonds offered on Nov. 3 (V. 97, p. 968) have been awarded to the Commercial State Bank of Miles City at 101.70 for 6s.

**DADE COUNTY (P. O. Miami), Fla.—BOND OFFERING.**—Proposals will be received until Jan. 5 1914 by the Board of Co. Comms. for \$125,000 bonds. Denom. \$100, \$500 and \$1,000.

**DAWSON COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 5 (P. O. Sidney), Mont.—BONDS NOT SOLD.**—No sale was made of the \$9,000 6% 5-10-year (opt.) bldg. bonds offered on Nov. 15. Denom. \$3,000. Date Nov. 20 1913. Int. annually in November.

**DECATUR COUNTY (P. O. Greensburg), Ind.—BOND SALE.**—The \$7,000 4 1/2% 10-year highway-impt. bonds offered without success on Sept. 3 (V. 97, p. 755) have been sold to J. F. Wild & Co. of Indianapolis at par.

**DELAWARE COUNTY (P. O. Delaware), Ohio.—BOND OFFERING.**—Proposals will be received until 1 p. m. Dec. 9 by W. V. Aldrich, County Auditor, for \$12,920 5% ditch bonds. Denom. (20) \$500, (10) \$292. Date Aug. 31 1913. Int. M. & S. at office of County Treasurer. Due \$1,292 each six months from Sept. 1 1914 to March 1 1919 incl. A deposit of \$500 or a certified check on a Delaware County bank, payable to County Auditor, required. Bonds to be delivered and paid for within 5 days from day of sale.

**DE SOTO COUNTY (P. O. Arcadia), Fla.—BOND ELECTION PROPOSED.**—Local newspaper reports state that an election will be held in the near future to submit to a vote the question of issuing \$60,000 road and bridge bonds in Charlotte Harbor District.

**DETROIT, Mich.—BOND SALE.**—The \$100,000 public-library and \$18,000 park and boulevard 4% 30-year coup. (with privilege of registration) tax-free bonds offered without success on Aug. 19 (V. 97, p. 755) have been sold over the counter at par. Denom. \$1,000. Date Sept. 2 1913. Int. M. & S.

**DULUTH, Minn.—BONDS AUTHORIZED.**—According to reports the City Council has approved the issuance of \$400,000 4 1/2% 30-year refunding bonds.

**EAST BATON ROUGE PARISH (P. O. Baton Rouge), La.—DESCRIPTION OF BONDS.**—We are advised that the \$15,000 5% Baton Rouge Hope Villa model road bonds awarded on Nov. 11 to W. P. Connell and others at par are in the denom. of \$500 each. Date Sept. 15 1913. Int. F. & A. Due Feb. 1 1914 to 1933 incl.

**EAST FORK IRRIGATION DISTRICT (P. O. Hood River), Hood River County, Ore.—BONDS TO BE OFFERED SHORTLY.**—Local newspaper reports state that this district will shortly offer for sale the \$150,000 (not \$175,000 as first reported) East Fork Irrigating Co. plant-purchase bonds voted May 27 (V. 96, p. 1645).

**EAST VIEW (P. O. Cleveland), Cuyahoga County, Ohio.—BONDS AWARDED IN PART.**—Of the 5% coupon bonds offered on Nov. 10 (V. 97, p. 1153), six issues, aggregating \$11,901, were awarded on Nov. 17 to Harden, Miller & Co. of Cleveland at par and int.

**EATONVILLE, Pierce County, Wash.—WARRANT SALE.**—We are advised that the \$12,000 6% reg. electric-light and power-plant-constr. warrants offered without success on Sept. 26 (V. 97, p. 1060) have been sold at par to local parties.

**EL CAJON, San Diego County, Calif.—BONDS DEFEATED.**—The question of issuing the \$35,000 6% gold water-works bonds (V. 97, p. 1153) failed to carry at the election held Nov. 17.

**ESSEX COUNTY (P. O. Salem), Mass.—OFFERING.**—Proposals will be received until 9:30 a. m. (to-day) (Nov. 29) by the Co. Comms., David I. Robinson, Co. Treas., for the following bonds and notes: Denom. \$131,000 4% coupon bridge and highway loans of 1913 bonds. Denom. \$1,000. Due yearly on Dec. 1 as follows: \$14,000 1914 to 1918 incl., \$9,000 1919 to 1923 incl., \$4,000 from 1924 to 1927 incl.



50,000 4% coupon county of Essex Groveland bridge loan Act of 1913 bonds. Denom. \$1,000. Due \$5,000 yearly on Dec. 1 from 1914 to 1923 incl.

60,000 4 1/2% highway-loan 1913 notes. Denom. to suit purchaser. Due \$36,000 Dec. 1 1914 without coupons, 1 note with coupon due \$8,000 Dec. 1 1914, 1 note with coupons due \$8,000 Dec. 1 1915 and 1 note with coupons due Dec. 1 1916. Issued under date of Dec. 1 1913. Int. semi-ann. at First Nat. Bank, Boston. These bonds and notes will be certified as to genuineness by the First Nat. Bank and their legality approved by Storey, Thorndike, Palmer & Dodge of Boston, whose opinion will be furnished purchaser. Bonds and notes will be delivered to purchaser at above bank on Dec. 1

**EUGENE SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Eugene), Lane County, Ore.—BOND ELECTION PROPOSED.**—An election will be held in the near future, it is stated, to submit to a vote the proposition to issue \$100,000 high-school-constr. bonds.

**EVANSTON TOWNSHIP HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Evanston), Cook County, Ill.—BONDS DEFEATED.**—According to reports, the proposition to issue the \$250,000 4 1/2% 1-20-yr. (ser.) site-purchase and bldg. bonds (V. 97, p. 1446) failed to carry at the election held Nov. 15.

**FERGUSON COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 84 (P. O. Stanford), Mont.—BOND SALE.**—The \$8,000 6% 10-15-yr. (opt.) coup. site-purchase and bldg. bonds offered without success on Sept. 4 were awarded to the Minnesota Loan & Trust Co. of Minneapolis on Sept. 30. Denom. \$1,000. Date Sept. 1 1913. Int. M. & S.

**FINDLAY, Hancock County, Ohio.—BONDS DEFEATED.** The question of issuing the \$57,000 light bonds (V. 97, p. 1153) was defeated at the election held Nov. 4.

**FLEMINGSBURG, Fleming County, Ky.—BONDS DEFEATED.**—The question of issuing the water-works bonds (V. 97, p. 1306) was defeated at the election held Nov. 4.

**FOLSOM SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Folsom), Sacramento County, Cal.—BOND ELECTION PROPOSED.**—Reports state that an election will be held in the near future to vote on the question of issuing bldg. bonds.

**FRANKLIN COUNTY (P. O. Columbus) Ohio.—BOND OFFERING.**—Proposals will be received until 10 a. m. Dec. 17 by John Scott, Clerk of Board of County Commissioners, for \$1,500 5% Glenn Ave. road-improvement bonds. Denom. \$500. Date Dec. 1 1913. Int. J. & D. at County Treasury. Due Dec. 1 1918. Certified check or cash on a Franklin County national bank or trust company for 1% of bonds bid for, payable to "Board of County Commissioners," required.

**BOND SALE.**—On Nov. 27 the \$10,000 5% 5 1/2-year (aver.) coup. water-main constr. bonds (V. 97, p. 1368) were awarded to the Ohio Nat. Bank of Columbus at 101.50 and int. Other bids were: Prov. S. E. & Tr. Co., Cinc. \$10,101; Well, Roth & Co., Cinc. \$10,065; Seasingood & Mayer, Cinc. \$10,071; New First Nat. Bk., Col. \$10,025

**FRESNO SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Fresno), Fresno County, Calif.—BOND ELECTION.**—According to local newspaper reports a proposition to issue \$450,000 5% school bonds will be voted upon on Dec. 12.

**GARY, Lake County, Ind.—BOND OFFERING.**—Proposals will be received until 3 p. m. Dec. 1 by E. N. White, City Comptroller, for \$20,000 4 1/2% coup. tax-free park bonds. Denom. \$1,000. Date Dec. 15 1913. Int. payable at office of City Treas. No deposit required.

**GEDDES UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 2, Onondaga County, N. Y.—BOND SALE.**—On Nov. 24 the \$60,000 4 1/2% additional-building bonds (V. 97, p. 1446) were awarded to Farson, Son & Co. of N. Y. City at 100.465. There were three other conditional bids made at par and interest.

**GEORGETOWN, Williamson County, Tex.—BONDS VOTED.**—By a vote of 124 to 64, the proposition to issue the \$13,000 artesian-well and water-main-ext. bonds (V. 97, p. 1229) carried at the election held Nov. 15.

**GIRARD VILLAGE SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Girard), Trumbull County, Ohio.—BOND SALE.**—On Nov. 25 the \$5,000 6% 5 1-3-year (average) site-purchase and building bonds (V. 97, p. 1446) were awarded, it is stated, to Seasingood & Mayer of Cincinnati at 103.1.

**GOODING COUNTY (P. O. Gooding), Idaho.—BOND SALE.**—On Nov. 18 an issue of \$160,000 5% 10-20-yr. (opt.) road and bridge bonds was awarded to John Nuyven & Co. of Chicago at 98.87 and int.—a basis of about 5.145%. E. H. Rollins & Sons of Denver bid 98.65 for 5s and 102.19 for 5 1/2s. There were 8 bids in all received for the bonds.

**GOODLAND, Newton County, Ind.—BONDS VOTED.**—The question of issuing \$20,000 water-works bonds carried Nov. 22 by a vote of 217 to 37.

**GRASS VALLEY HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Grass Valley), Nevada County, Cal.—BOND ELECTION.**—Reports state that the election to vote on the question of issuing the \$60,000 building bonds (V. 97, p. 1229) will be held Dec. 18. Due \$1,000 yearly for 20 years and \$2,000 yearly thereafter.

**GREENFIELD, Franklin County, ass.—NOTE OFFERING.**—Proposals will be received until 3 p. m. Dec. 1 by Blake Allen, Town Treas., for \$13,965 4% note or notes. Preference will be given to offers for notes of largest denomination. Date Dec. 1 1913. Int. J. & D. or discounted at option of purchaser. Due Nov. 1 1914. Total debt including this issue, \$114,965. Assess. val. \$11,492,552.

**GREENVILLE, Darke County, Ohio.—BOND SALE.**—On Nov. 20 the Greenville Nat. Bank of Greenville was awarded, reports state, the following bonds: \$4,290 35 4 1/2% 1-10-year (ser.) street bonds for \$4,305, equal to 100.341. 4,000 00 5% 1-8-year (ser.) sewer bonds for \$4,060 equal to 101.50. Interest annual.

**GRIDLEY GRAMMAR SCHOOL DISTRICT, Butte County, Cal.—BONDS VOTED.**—The question of issuing the \$25,000 5% building bonds carried, at the election held Nov. 8 (V. 97, p. 1306).

**HARRIS BAYOU DRAINAGE DISTRICT (P. O. Clarksdale), Coahoma County, Miss.—DESCRIPTION OF BONDS.**—The \$126,000 6% drainage bonds awarded at par on Nov. 6, \$63,000 to the Bank of Clarksdale and \$63,000 to the Planters' Bank of Clarksdale (V. 97, p. 1526), are in the denom. of \$1,000. Date Nov. 1 1913. Int. M. & N. Due serially for 20 years, beginning May 1916.

**HARRISON COUNTY (P. O. Marshall), Tex.—NO BOND ELECTION AT PRESENT.**—In reply to our request for the result of the election which it was stated would be held Nov. 22 to vote on the question of issuing \$500,000 road bonds, we are advised that the election has not been held and will not be in the near future.

**HERKIMER, Herkimer County, N. Y.—BOND SALE.**—The Herkimer Nat. Bank of Herkimer has been awarded an issue of \$5,601 62 5/8 paving bonds. Denom. (3) \$1,400, (1) \$1,401 62. Date Sept. 20 1913. Int. M. & S. Due \$1,400 yearly Sept. 20 from 1914 to 1916 incl. and \$1,401 62 Sept. 20 1917.

**HIGH SPRINGS, Alachua County, Fla.—BOND SALE.**—The J. B. McCrary Co. of Atlanta purchased during October an issue of \$35,000 6% water and light bonds at par and int. Denom. \$1,000. Date July 1 1913. Int. J. & J. Due in 10, 20 and 30 years.

**HILL COUNTY (P. O. Havre), Mont.—BOND OFFERING.**—Proposals will be received until 10 a. m. Jan. 14 1914 by John H. Devine, Clerk and Recorder, for the \$50,000 5% 18-20-yr. (opt.) coupon funding bonds voted Aug. 2 (V. 97, p. 1154). Denom. \$1,000. Int. J. & J. at office of Co. Treas. Cert. check for \$2,500, payable to R. H. Fuller, Co. Treas., required. No bonded debt. Floating debt (est.) \$130,000. Assessed val. \$7,661,302.

**HILL COUNTY (P. O. Hillsboro), Tex.—BONDS VOTED.**—The question of issuing the \$250,000 5% road bonds in Justice Precinct No. 1 (V. 97, p. 1446) carried at the election held Nov. 22 by a vote of 908 to 335.

**HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY (P. O. Tampa), Fla.—BOND SALE.**—On Nov. 20 the \$500,000 5% 30-yr. gold road bonds (V. 97, p. 1230) were awarded to C. W. McNear & Co. of Chicago and R. M. Grant & Co. of N. Y., at 98.13. Delivery \$100,000 Dec. 1; \$200,000 Jan. 1 and \$200,000 Feb. 1. Farson, Son & Co. of N. Y. bid 100.65, less commission.

**HOUSTON, Tex.—BOND SALE.**—The two issues of 5% gold bonds aggregating \$1,200,000 offered without success on Oct. 6 (V. 97, p. 1154) have been awarded to local banks at par and int.

**HOWARD SCHOOL TOWNSHIP, Ind.—BOND SALE.**—According to reports \$6,000 school bonds have been purchased by E. M. Campbell & Sons Co. of Indianapolis.

**HUNTINGTON, Cabell County, W. Va.—BONDS NOT TO BE RE-OFFERED THIS YEAR.**—The Commr. of Public Utilities advises us that the \$150,000 bonds, the unsold portion of the \$200,000 5% 30-yr. sewer impt. issue (V. 97, p. 969), will not be put on the market again this year.

**HUNTINGTON BEACH, Orange County, Calif.—BOND ELECTION.**—Reports state that the election to vote on the question of issuing the \$35,000 sewer-system-extension bonds (V. 97, p. 1306) will be held Dec. 30.

**INDIANAPOLIS SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Indianapolis), Ind.—BOND OFFERING.**—Proposals will be received until 8 p. m. Dec. 9 by the Board of School Commissioners, John E. Cleland, Business Director, for \$75,000 4% coupon school real estate and impt. bonds. Denom. \$1,000. Date Dec. 1 1913. Int. J. & D. at Indiana Trust Co., Indianapolis. Due \$25,000 Dec. 1 1943 and \$50,000 Dec. 1 1944. Certified check on an Indianapolis bank or trust company for 3% of bonds bid for, payable to "Board of School Commissioners," required. Bids must be made on blank forms furnished by the district. Using an official advertisement from an Indianapolis newspaper, which later proved to be incorrect, we reported in last week's "Chronicle" that the time for receiving bids was 5 p. m. Dec. 23.

**INGLEWOOD UNION HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT, Los Angeles County, Calif.—BOND OFFERING.**—Proposals will be received until 2 p. m. Dec. 1, it is stated, by the County Supervisors (P. O. Los Angeles), for the \$150,000 5 1/2% bldg. bonds voted Oct. 11 (V. 97, p. 1154). Denom. \$1,000.

**IRONDEQUOIT, Monroe County, N. Y.—BOND ELECTION.**—An election will be held Dec. 8 to submit to a vote the question of issuing \$19,732 12 East Side Boulevard (town's share) improvement bonds at not exceeding 5% int. Denom. (19) \$1,000. (1) \$732 12. Due \$1,000 yearly beginning April 1 1915.

**JASPER COUNTY (P. O. Carthage), Mo.—BOND ELECTION PROPOSED.**—An election will be held in the near future, it is stated, to submit to a vote the proposition to issue \$75,000 almshouse constr. bonds.

**JAY COUNTY (P. O. Portland), Ind.—BOND OFFERING.**—Proposals will be received until 12 m. Dec. 1, it is stated, by John R. Rapp, County Treasurer, for \$11,750 and \$10,160 4 1/2% 10-year road-impt. bonds.

**JEFFERSON COUNTY FREE BRIDGE DISTRICT (P. O. Pine Bluff), Ark.—BOND SALE.**—Reports state that an issue of \$700,000 5% bridge-construction bonds has been awarded to Wm. R. Compton Co. of St. Louis at par.

**JENNINGS COUNTY (P. O. Vernon), Ind.—BIDS.**—The other bids received on Nov. 18 for the \$8,000 4 1/2% gravel-road bonds awarded on that day to the First National Bank of Vernon at 100.253 (V. 97, p. 1526) were as follows:  
J. F. Wild & Co., Indianapolis.....\$3,018 00  
Breed, Elliott & Harrison, Cincinnati..... 8,008 50  
Fletcher-American National Bank, Indianapolis..... 8,000 00  
Denom. \$400. Date Nov. 15 1913. Int. M. & N. Due \$400 each six months from May 15 1914 to Nov. 15 1923 incl.

**JOHNSON COUNTY (P. O. Franklin), Ind.—BOND SALE.**—The \$5,800 4 1/2% 10-year road bonds offered on Oct. 27 (V. 97, p. 1154) have been purchased, it is stated, by the Fletcher-American National Bank of Indianapolis.

**JOHNSON COUNTY (P. O. Cleburne), Tex.—BOND ELECTION PROPOSED.**—According to newspaper reports an election will be held in the near future to vote on the question of issuing \$50,000 hospital-building and equipment bonds.

**JOHNSTOWN, Fulton County, N. Y.—BOND OFFERING.**—Proposals will be received until 11 a. m. Dec. 13 by W. J. Eldridge, City Chamberlain, for \$20,000 5% coupon refunding sewer bonds voted Nov. 4. Denom. \$1,000. Date Dec. 1 1913. Int. J. & D. at Johnstown Bank in New York exchange. Due \$1,000 yearly on Dec. 1. Official circular states that the city has never defaulted in the payment of prin. or interest.

**JOPLIN SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Joplin), Jasper County, Mo.—BOND ELECTION.**—An election will be held Dec. 2, it is stated, to vote on the question of issuing \$280,000 high-school-construction bonds.

**KALISPELL, Flathead County, Mont.—BOND SALE.**—On Nov. 1, the \$175,000 5% gold water bonds (V. 97, p. 1154) were awarded to the Northern Idaho & Montana Power Co. at par and int. Causey, Foster & Co. of Denver bid par and interest, city to pay for printing of bonds and furnishing of material.

**KENMORE SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Kenmore), Summit County, Ohio.—BOND OFFERING.**—Proposals will be received until 12 m. Dec. 18 by H. G. Lautenschlager, Clerk Board of Education, for \$15,000 5% coupon school bonds. Denom. \$1,000. Date "day of sale." Int. A. & O. at office of Board of Education. Due \$5,000 on Oct. 1 1925, 1926 and 1927. Certified check for 10% of bonds bid for required.

**KENNEDY HEIGHTS (P. O. Cincinnati), Hamilton County, Ohio.—BOND OFFERING.**—Proposals will be received until 12 m. Dec. 20 by Henry Appleton, Village Clerk, for \$4,715 98 5/8 1-5-year (serial) coupon sidewalk (assessment) bonds. Denom. \$943 20 or purchaser may have option to have bonds in the denom. of \$100 or \$1,000 and one for such less amount as may remain over from each of said ten bonds. Date Sept. 2 1913. Int. M. & S. at Norwood Nat. Bank, Norwood. Certified check for 5% of bonds bid for, payable to Village Treasurer, required. Bonds to be delivered and paid for within 10 days from time of award. Purchaser to pay accrued interest.

**KIMBALL, Brule County, No. Dak.—BID REJECTED.**—The only bidder for the \$15,000 5% 5-20-year (opt.) coupon water-works bonds offered on Nov. 17 (V. 97, p. 1230) was C. O. Kalman & Co. of St. Paul, who offered par less \$750 for attorney's fees, &c. This bid was rejected.

**KINGS RIVER SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Hanford), Kings County, Cal.—BOND ELECTION PROPOSED.**—According to reports, the question of issuing \$15,000 bonds will be submitted to a vote in the near future.

**KINNEY COUNTY (P. O. Brackettville), Tex.—BONDS VOTED.**—At the election held Nov. 14 the question of issuing the \$80,000 (not \$100,000, as first reported) road bonds (V. 97, p. 1306) carried, it is stated.

**KIOWA COUNTY (P. O. Greensburg), Kans.—PRICE PAID FOR BONDS.**—The price paid for the \$55,000 5% court-house-construction bonds awarded on Nov. 3 to S. D. Robinet of Greensburg (V. 97, p. 1446) was par. Denom. \$500 or \$1,000, at option of purchaser. Date Jan. 1 1914. Int. J. & J. Due on Jan. 1 as follows; \$5,000 yearly from 1929 to 1933 inclusive and \$30,000 in 1934.

**KIRKWOOD (P. O. Atlanta), Fulton County, Ga.—BOND OFFERING.**—Proposals will be received until 8:30 p. m. Dec. 16 by O. Ray, City Clerk, for the \$25,000 street-impt., \$5,000 sewer-extension and \$5,000 schools 5% 30-year gold coupon bonds voted Oct. 15 (V. 97, p. 1230). Authority, votes of 242 to 6, 245 to 1 and 242 to 4, respectively. Denom. \$1,000. Date Jan. 1 1914. Int. J. & J. in N. Y. City. Cert. check for \$350, payable to the City Treasurer, required.

**KLAMATH COUNTY (P. O. Klamath Falls), Ore.—BOND ELECTION PROPOSED.**—The question of issuing \$300,000 good-road bonds will be submitted to a vote in December, it is stated.

**KNOX COUNTY (P. O. Vincennes), Ind.—BOND SALE.**—Reports state that \$12,000 drainage bonds have been purchased by the Fletcher-American National Bank of Indianapolis.  
On Nov. 24 the three issues of 4 1/2% highway improvement bonds, aggregating \$14,140 (V. 97, p. 1526), were awarded to J. F. Wild & Co. of Indianapolis for \$14,177 70 (100.266) and interest. Other bids were:  
Breed, Elliott & Harrison, Cincinnati.....\$14,175 00  
Fletcher-American National Bank, Indianapolis..... 14,166 75  
C. W. Padgett bid \$4,810 for the \$4,800 C. G. Shake et al road bonds.

**LAKE COUNTY (P. O. Tavares), Fla.—BONDS VOTED.**—The proposition to issue the \$500,000 6% coupon highway-impt. bonds (V. 97, p. 1154) carried at the election held Nov. 18 by a vote of 552 to 361. Date Jan. 1 1914. Int. J. & J. Due \$100,000 in 15, 20 and 25 years and \$200,000 in 30 years. These bonds, we are informed, will probably be offered for sale in January.

**LAKE CITY, Columbia County, Fla.—BONDS NOT YET ISSUED.**—We are advised by the City Attorney under date of Nov. 24 that the four issues of bonds, aggregating \$79,000, voted Aug. 26 (V. 97, p. 680), have not yet been issued. He further states that it is expected that the bonds will be ready for sale about Jan. 1 1914.

**LAKE COUNTY (P. O. Crown Point), Ind.—BOND SALE.**—Reports state that an issue of \$23,000 gravel-road bonds has been purchased by Breed, Elliott & Harrison of Indianapolis.



LA MARQUE COMMON SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. La Marque), Galveston County, Tex.—BONDS VOTED.—The question of issuing \$8,000 building bonds carried, it is stated, at the election held Nov. 15 by a vote of 21 to 12.

LANCASTER COUNTY (P. O. Lincoln), Neb.—BOND ELECTION PROPOSED.—Reports state that an election will be held in the near future to vote on the question of issuing the \$599,000 6% 5-20-yr. (opt.) telephone-system-installation bonds (V. 97, p. 756).

LARNED SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Larned), Pawnee County, Kan.—BONDS VOTED.—The question of issuing \$40,000 high-school-construction bonds carried, reports state, at the election held Nov. 18 by a vote of 457 to 100.

LASSEN COUNTY (P. O. Susanville), Calif.—BOND ELECTION PROPOSED.—Local newspaper reports state that an election will shortly be held to vote on the question of whether or not this county will issue \$349,172 road, court-house and hospital constr. bonds.

LATTA, Dillon County, So. Caro.—BOND ELECTION PROPOSED.—An election will be held in the near future, it is stated, to submit to a vote the question of issuing \$50,000 light, water and sewerage-plant bonds.

LEBERG COUNTY (P. O. Kingsville), Tex.—BONDS VOTED.—The election held Nov. 18 (not Dec. 18, as first reported) resulted, reports state, in favor of the proposition to issue the \$125,000 court-house and jail and \$35,000 county hospital bonds (V. 97, p. 1306).

LEE COUNTY (P. O. Sanford), No. Caro.—BOND SALE.—The Wachovia Bank & Trust Co. of Winston was awarded on Oct. 17 the \$25,000 5% 30-year county-home and funding bonds offered without success on Aug. 4 (V. 97, p. 609). Denom. \$1,000. Date Aug. 1 1913. Int. F. & A.

LEON COUNTY (P. O. Tallahassee), Fla.—BOND ELECTION RESCINDED.—We are advised that the election which was to have been held Oct. 14 to vote on the proposition to issue \$150,000 good-road bonds (V. 97, p. 545) was called off.

LESTERSHIRE, Broome County, N. Y.—BOND OFFERING.—Proposals will be received until 8 p. m. Dec. 8 by W. C. Lewis, Village Clerk, for \$15,000 coupon tax-free water-works-extension bonds at not exceeding 5% interest. Denom. \$500. Date "when sold." Int. J. & D. at First Nat. Bank, Lestershire. Due \$1,000 in 5 years and \$500 each six months thereafter. Certified check, N. Y. draft or cash for \$300, payable to "Village of Lestershire," required.

LEXINGTON, Fayette County, Ky.—BOND OFFERING.—Proposals will be received until 12 m. Dec. 5 by J. E. Cassidy, Mayor, for the \$25,000 4% park bonds upheld by the Circuit Court on Oct. 18 (V. 97, p. 1227). Denom. \$1,000. Date Jan. 1 1913. Int. J. & J. Cert. check for \$5 on each \$1,000 bond bid for, required.

LINCOLN, Neb.—BOND OFFERING.—Proposals will be received until 2 p. m. Dec. 20 by Theo. H. Berg, City Clerk, for \$5,870 paving District No. 253; \$14,700 Paving District No. 188; \$3,840 Paving District No. 254; \$12,420 Paving District No. 257; \$2,150 Paving District No. 249; \$770 Alley Paving District No. 54 and \$1,480 Repaving District No. 39 paving (assess.) bonds at not exceeding 5% int. Denom. to suit purchaser. Date Jan. 1 1914. Int. ann at office of city or State Treas. Due one-tenth of each issue yearly beginning Jan. 1 1915, subject to call any interest-paying date. Cert. check for \$100 required. Official circular states that there is no litigation or controversy pending or threatened affecting these issues of bonds and that the city has always promptly paid the principal and interest on all bonds previously issued.

LOUISIANA.—BOND OFFERING.—Proposals will be received until 12 m. Dec. 8 by L. E. Hall, Governor, for all or any part of an issue of 4 1/4% gold coupon serial bonds; the amount of such issue to be sufficient to pay \$10,567,470 State bonds maturing Jan. 1 1914. Issue is made pursuant to constitution of 1913 which, by self-executing enactment, levies sufficient taxes to pay maturing principal and interest (see news item on a preceding page). Dated Jan. 1 1914. Principal and semi-annual interest (Feb. 1 and Aug. 1) payable in Baton Rouge, New Orleans or New York, at holders' option. Denomination to suit purchaser. Maturing serially Aug. 1 1915 to 1964. Average maturity of \$10,567,470 bonds approximately 35 years; any excess over said amount shall mature Aug. 1 1964. Redeemable at 104 and interest in reverse order of maturities. If issue be less than said amount, the reduction shall cancel the latest maturities in reverse order. Bonds registerable as to principal alone, or principal and interest. Denomination of fully registered bonds \$1,000, \$5,000, and \$10,000. Bonds are exempt from direct taxation in Louisiana, are legal investments for guardians and trustees and can be used as security for deposits of the State and its several parishes, municipalities and sub-divisions. Acceptable as security for Postal Savings Funds. Legal for investment by New York savings banks. Bonds will be certified as to genuineness by a responsible trust company in New Orleans or New York. Supervision of legal matters by Caldwell, Masslich & Reed of New York, whose approving opinion will be furnished to purchasers without charge. Bids to be made on blank forms which will be furnished by the Governor; Caldwell, Masslich & Reed, or the Continental & Commercial Nat. Bank, Chicago. Certified check on a bank or trust company of New Orleans, New York or Chicago, payable to the State Treasurer, for 2% of the bonds bid for, required. Bonds or interim certificates will be delivered in New Orleans or New York, at purchaser's option, on Jan. 2 1914.

The official notice of this bond offering will be found among the advertisements elsewhere in this Department.

LOWNDES COUNTY (P. O. Hayneville), Ala.—BOND ELECTION PROPOSED.—Reports state that an election will be held in the near future to vote on the question of issuing \$150,000 good roads bonds.

MADISON COUNTY (P. O. Anderson), Ind.—BOND SALE.—Breed-Elliott & Harrison of Indianapolis have purchased \$6,000 gravel-road bonds.

MARION COUNTY (P. O. Hamilton), Ala.—DESCRIPTION OF BONDS.—We are advised that the \$100,000 30-year broad-construction bonds at not exceeding 5% int., voted Nov. 1 (V. 97, p. 1527), are in the denom. of \$1,000, and are tax-free. Int. semi-annual. No bonded or floating debt. Assessed valuation, \$3,702,000. Mack Pearce is Judge of Probate.

MARSHALL, Harrison County, Tex.—BONDS VOTED.—According to reports, the question of issuing the \$7,000 Craven Park improvement bonds (V. 97, p. 1230) carried at the election held Nov. 20.

MARSHALLVILLE, Macon County, Ga.—BOND OFFERING.—Further details are at hand relative to the offering on Dec. 15 of the \$20,000 6% 30-year coupon water and light bonds (V. 97, p. 1527). Proposals for these bonds will be received until 7 p. m. on that day by E. L. Sammons, Secy. of Water and Light Commission. Denom. \$1,000. Date Jan. 1 1914. Int. J. & J. at Marshallville. No deposit required. Bonded debt, \$10,000. No floating debt. Assessed valuation 1913, \$470,000.

MARYLAND.—CERTIFICATE OFFERING.—Proposals will be received until 12 m. Dec. 22 by Murray Vandiver, State Treasurer (P. O. Annapolis), for \$682,000 4% registered tax-free State loan of 1914 certificates. Date Jan. 1 1914. Int. J. & J. Due Jan. 1 1929, subject to call after Jan. 1 1924. Certified check on some responsible banking institution for 5% of bid required.

MASON CITY, Cerro Gordo County, Iowa.—BOND OFFERING.—The \$20,000 5% 10-year coupon tax-free refunding bonds (V. 97, p. 1447), being offered at popular subscription by S. A. Schneider, City Treasurer, are in the denom. of \$100, \$500 and \$1,000, and are dated Dec. 1 1913. Ing. J. & D. at office of City Treasurer.

MATAGORDA COUNTY (P. O. Bay City), Tex.—BOND ELECTION PROPOSED.—An election will be held in the near future, reports state, to vote on the question of issuing \$75,000 road bonds in Matagorda district.

MEDINA COUNTY (P. O. Hondo), Tex.—BOND ELECTION.—An election will be held Jan. 6 1914, reports state, to submit to a vote the proposition to issue road bonds.

MEMPHIS, Tenn.—BOND OFFERING.—Proposals will be received until 2:30 p. m. Dec. 9 by Ennis M. Douglas, City Clerk, for the following bonds voted May 28 (V. 97, p. 1230): \$315,000 6% street-impt. bonds, Series 7. Date Oct. 1 1913. Due \$63,000 yearly on Oct. 1 from 1914 to 1918, inclusive. 500,000 5% special levee bonds. Date Dec. 1 1913. Due Dec. 1 1953.

Denom. \$1,000. Int. semi-annually in Memphis or New York. Certified check on a Memphis bank for 1% of bonds bid for, payable to "City of Memphis," required. The legality of these bonds will be approved by Dillon, Thompson & Clay of N. Y. City, whose opinion will be furnished successful bidder.

MENOMINEE, Dunn County, Wis.—BOND ELECTION PROPOSED.—Local papers state that an election will be held some time next month to vote on the question of issuing water-works system-purchase and hospital-erection bonds.

MERCED COUNTY (P. O. Merced), Cal.—BOND ELECTION PROPOSED.—The election to vote on the proposition to issue the \$1,000,000 road bonds (V. 97, p. 969) will be held about Jan. 1914.

MERIDIAN, Lauderdale County, Miss.—DESCRIPTION OF BONDS.—We learn that the \$50,000 Meridian & Memphis RR. aid bonds recently awarded to the Merchants' & Farmers' Bank of Meridian at 100.6 and int. (V. 97, p. 1527) carry 5% int. Denom. \$1,000. Date Oct. 1 1913. Int. A. & O. Due \$2,000 yearly.

MIAKKA SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Miakka), Manatee County, Fla.—ELECTION PROPOSED.—Reports state that an election will be held in the near future to vote on the proposition to issue school-building bonds.

MIAMI COUNTY (P. O. Peru), Ind.—BOND OFFERING.—Proposals will be received until 10 a. m. Jan. 12 1914 by Frank K. McElheny, County Auditor, for \$48,796 4 1/4% Wabash River bridges constr. bonds. Denom. (19) \$2,500, (1) \$1,296. Int. semi-ann. Due \$2,500 yearly on Dec. 1 from 1915 to 1933 incl. and \$1,296 on Dec. 1 1934. Cert. check on a local bank for 3% of bonds bid for, required. Bids must be made on forms furnished by above.

MIAMI COUNTY (P. O. Troy), Ohio.—BOND OFFERING.—Proposals will be received until 10 a. m. Dec. 6 by M. T. Staley, County Auditor, for the following 5% flood-emergency bonds:

\$20,000 road bonds of an issue of \$43,000. Dated Sept. 1 1913 and due \$10,000 Sept. 1 1915 and \$10,000 Sept. 1 1928. 80,000 bridges bonds of an issue of \$451,000. Date Sept. 1 1913. Due \$22,000 Sept. 1 1916, \$35,000 Sept. 1 1923 and \$23,000 Sept. 1 1924. Denom. \$500. Int. semi-annually at office of County Auditor. Certified check for 3% of bonds bid for, payable to County Auditor, required. Bonds to be delivered and paid for within 10 days from time of award. Purchaser to pay accrued interest. Bids must be unconditional. \$50,000 of the above bonds were offered without success on Nov. 18 (V. 97, p. 1307).

MIDLAND SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Midland) Beaver County, Pa.—BOND SALE.—An issue of \$28,000 5% bonds has been purchased, it is stated, by the Mellon National Bank of Pittsburgh.

MIFFLINBURG, Union County, Pa.—BONDS DEFEATED.—According to reports, the proposition to issue \$7,000 reservoir bonds was defeated at a recent election.

MILWAUKEE, Wis.—BOND SALE.—On Nov. 26 the three issues of 4 1/4% 20-year (serial) coupon tax-free bonds, aggregating \$290,000 (V. 97, p. 1527), were awarded to E. H. Rollins & Sons of Chicago at 101.23 and interest.

MINNEAPOLIS, Minn.—BOND SALE.—On Nov. 26 the ten issues of 4% coupon tax-free bonds, aggregating \$1,315,000 (V. 97, p. 1527) were awarded to Wells & Dickey Co. of Minneapolis at 95 and int. The bonds to mature in 26 years.

MOBILE COUNTY (P. O. Mobile), Ala.—BOND OFFERING.—Proposals will be received until 12 m. Dec. 29 for \$200,000 5% 20-year road bonds. Geo. E. Stone is County Treasurer.

The official notice of this bond offering will be found among the advertisements elsewhere in this Department.

MONROE COUNTY (P. O. Bloomington), Ind.—BOND OFFERING.—Proposals will be received until 10 a. m. Dec. 1, it is stated, by W. W. Weaver, County Treas., for \$4,700 4 1/4% 10-year highway-impt. bonds.

MONTCLAIR, Essex County N. J.—BOND SALE.—The following bids were received for the two issues of 4 1/4% 30-year gold coupon bonds offered on Nov. 24 (V. 97, p. 1447):

Table with 3 columns: Bidder, Grade-Abolt Bonds, School Bonds. Lists bidders like Hallgarten & Co., Montclair Trust Co., Blodgett & Co., etc.

\* Successful bids.

MONTGOMERY COUNTY (P. O. Rockville) Md.—BOND OFFERING.—The County Commissioners, B. E. Clark, Clerk, are offering for sale an issue of \$25,000 4 1/4% road bonds. Denom. \$1,000. Int. semi-annually (from Aug. 1 1913), at Farmers' Banking & Trust Co., Rockville. Due \$1,000 yearly on Aug. 1 from 1914 to 1938, inclusive. These bonds are exempt from county taxation.

MONTGOMERY COUNTY (P. O. Clarksville), Tenn.—BONDS VOTED.—By a vote of 1042 to 1010, the question of issuing the \$100,000 coup. highway bonds (V. 97, p. 1155) carried, at the election held Nov. 8.

MOOREFIELD SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Moorefield), Hardy County, W. Va.—BOND OFFERING.—Proposals will be received until 12 m. Dec. 20 by M. W. Gamble, Secretary, for \$17,000 5% gold coupon high-school-building bonds. Auth. Chap. 27, Acts of 1908, extra session. Denom. \$500. Date Jan. 1 1914. Int. annually on Jan. 1 at office of Sheriff of Hardy County. Due Jan. 1 1940, subject to call beginning Jan. 1 1924. Bonded debt at present, \$15,000. No floating debt. Assessed valuation 1913, \$2,100,000.

MT. VERNON, Knox County, Ohio.—BOND OFFERING.—Proposals will be received until 12 m. to-day (Nov. 29) by Stephen J. Dorgan, City Aud., for \$16,000 5% sewage-treatment-plant bonds. Denom. \$500. Date Dec. 1 1913. Int. J. & D. Due \$1,000 each six months from Dec. 1 1914 to June 1 1922 incl. Cert. check for 2% of bonds bid for, payable to City Treas., required. Bonds to be delivered and paid for within 10 days from time of award. Purchaser to pay accrued interest.

MUSKINGUM COUNTY (P. O. Zanesville), Ohio.—BOND OFFERING.—Proposals will be received until 10 a. m. Dec. 1 by Fred C. Werner, Clerk of Board of County Commrs., for \$200,000 5% coupon flood-emergency bonds. Denom. \$500. Date May 1 1913. Int. M. & N. at office of County Treasurer. Due \$20,000 yearly on May 1 from 1915 to 1924, inclusive. Certified check or cash for 1% of bonds bid for required.

NASHVILLE, Davidson County, Tenn.—BOND SALE.—Local papers state that the \$150,000 4 1/4% 30-year street-opening and extension bonds (V. 96, p. 1041) have been awarded to A. B. Leach & Co. of Chicago at par and interest.

NEW BEDFORD Bristol County N. Y.—BIDS.—The other bids received for the two issues of 4% registered tax-free bonds, aggregating \$55,000, awarded on Nov. 19 to Estabrook & Co. of Boston at 100.51 and int. (V. 97, p. 1527), were: Perry, Coffin & Burr, Bos. 100.37; Blake Bros. & Co., Boston 100.22; R. L. Day & Co., Boston 100.349; E. H. Rollins & Sons, Bos. 100.178; Curtis & Sanger, Boston 100.31; Blodgett & Co., Boston 100.159; Adams & Co., Boston 100.31; Merrill, Oldham & Co., Bos. 100.089; N. W. Harris & Co., Inc., Bos. 100.27

NEW HARMONY Posey County Ind.—BOND SALE.—The Fletcher-American National Bank of Indianapolis has been awarded an issue of \$6,000 school bonds, according to reports.

NEWPORT, R. I.—BOND SALE.—On Nov. 26 \$35,000 4 1/4% coupon improvement and refunding notes were awarded to Blodgett & Co. of Boston at 100.69. Other bids were: E. H. Rollins & Sons, Bos. 100.598; R. L. Day & Co., Boston 100.349; Blake Bros. & Co., Boston 100.56; Estabrook & Co., Boston 100.26; Curtis & Sanger, Boston 100.38; Denom. \$1,000. Date Dec. 1 1913. Int. J. & D. Due \$5,000 yearly from 1914 to 192, inclusive.

NEWPORT BEACH, Orange County, Cal.—BOND OFFERING.—Further details are at hand relative to the offering on Dec. 1 of the \$25,000 6% gold tax-exempt water-main bonds (V. 97, p. 1447). Proposals for these bonds will be received until 2 p. m. on that day by L. S. Wilkinson, City Clerk. Denom. \$1,000. Date Dec. 1 1913. Int. J. & D. at New-



port Beach. Due \$1,000 yearly Dec. 1 from 1914 to 1938, inclusive. Certified check for 2% of bid, payable to the "City of Newport Beach," required. Bonded debt, including this issue, \$62,000. No floating debt. Assessed valuation 1913, \$2,035,078.

**NEW ROCHELLE, Westchester County, N. Y.—BOND SALE.**—On Nov. 25 the five issues of 4 1/2% registered bonds, aggregating \$58,077 50 (V. 97, p. 1527), were awarded to Farson, Son & Co. of N. Y. for \$58,100 equal to 100.038. Other bids were: Adams & Co., New York, \$58,077 50; Lee, Higginson & Co., N. Y. \*\$34,040

\* For \$34,020 Third Ward Culvert construction bonds.

**NORMAL, McLean County, Ill.—BOND OFFERING.**—Proposals will be received until 6:45 p. m. Dec. 8 for the \$10,500 5% coupon local improvement bonds voted May 17 (V. 96, p. 1788). Denom. \$500. Date Oct. 1 1913. Interest annually on Mar. 31 at office of Town Treasurer. Due March 31 1918. Lester H. Martin is Town Attorney (P. O. Bloomington).

**NUTLEY, Essex County, N. J.—BOND SALE.**—On Nov. 24 the \$132,000 5% 20-year funding bonds (V. 97, p. 1447) were awarded to R. M. Grant & Co., New York, at 102.823. Other bids were:

J. S. Rippel, Newark, \$135,694 68; E. H. Rollins & Sons, N. Y. \$134,269 08; A. B. Leach & Co., N. Y. \$135,515 20; Harris, Forbes & Co., N. Y. \$132,938 52

**OAK GROVE SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Oak Grove), Jackson County, Mo.—NO BOND ELECTION.**—We are advised that the question of issuing the \$2,500 bldg. bonds (V. 97, p. 1447) was not submitted to a vote on Nov. 15.

**ONTARIO, San Bernardino County, Calif.—BOND ELECTION PROPOSED.**—According to reports, the proposition to issue \$12,000 fire-apparatus-purchase bonds will be submitted to a vote during January 1914.

**ORANGE, Orange County, Calif.—BOND ELECTION PROPOSED.**—According to reports, an election will shortly be held to submit to a vote the question of issuing \$25,000 city-hall bonds.

**ORANGE COUNTY (P. O. Orlando), Fla.—BONDS VOTED.**—Reports state that the question of issuing the \$50,000 schools bonds in Orlando District (V. 97, p. 1231) carried at the election held Nov. 12 by a vote of 166 to 10.

**ORLANDO, Orange County, Fla.—BONDS TO BE OFFERED NEXT YEAR.**—The City Clerk advises us that the \$100,000 5% 30-yr. coupon street-paving bonds (V. 97, p. 1062) will probably be offered for sale early next year.

**ORVILLE Wayne County Ohio.—BOND OFFERING.**—Proposals will be received until 12 m. Dec. 24 by A. Jenny, Village Clerk, for the \$41,000 5% municipal-light-plant bonds voted Aug. 26 (V. 97, p. 682). Denom. \$500. Date Jan. 1 1914. Int. J. & J. Due yearly on July 1 as follows: \$1,000 1915 to 1919, incl.; \$3,000 1920 to 1924, incl.; \$4,000 1925 to 1928, incl. and \$5,000 in 1919. Certified check for 2% of bonds bid for, payable to Village Treasurer, required. Bonds to be delivered and paid for within 10 days from time of award.

**PALATKA SUB-SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Palatka), Putnam County, Fla.—BOND ELECTION PROPOSED.**—We are advised that an election will be held in December or January to submit to a vote the question of issuing \$75,000 high-school bonds. These bonds take the place of the \$75,000 bonds declared illegal. See V. 97, p. 906.

**PALM BEACH COUNTY SPECIAL TAX SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 1, Fla.—BOND OFFERING.**—Proposals will be received until 12 m. Dec. 11 by H. W. Lewis, Supt. Public Instruction (P. O. West Palm Beach), for \$35,000 6% coupon building and improvement bonds. Denom. \$500. Date Oct. 1 1913. Int. A. & O. at National City Bank, N. Y. Due Oct. 1 1923. Deposit of 1% of bid required. Debt of district (including this issue) \$83,000. Assessed valuation, \$2,853,540. Actual valuation (est.), \$3,560,620.

**PALM BEACH COUNTY SPECIAL TAX SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 5, Fla.—BOND OFFERING.**—Proposals will be received until 12 m. Dec. 11 by H. W. Lewis, Supt. Public Instruction (P. O. West Palm Beach), for \$13,500 6% coupon building and improvement bonds. Denom. \$500. Date Oct. 1 1913. Int. A. & O. at Hanover National Bank, N. Y. Due Oct. 1 1943. Deposit of 1% of bid required. District has no other debt. Assessed valuation, \$454,510. Actual value (est.), \$1,363,530.

**PAJO PINTO COUNTY (P. O. Palo Pinto), Tex.—BONDS DEFEATED.**—Reports state that the proposition to issue \$200,000 good-roads bonds was defeated at a recent election.

**PARKE COUNTY (P. O. Rockville), Ind.—BOND SALE.**—An issue of \$16,000 gravel-road bonds has been purchased by the Fletcher-American National Bank of Indianapolis, reports state.

**PARKE COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 4, Wyo.—BOND OFFERING.**—Proposals will be received until 12 m. Dec. 3 by Mrs. Edith N. Simpson, Clerk (P. O. Chance), for \$2,500 coupon bonds at not exceeding 6% int. Denom. \$125. Int. ann. Due \$125 yearly on Dec. 3 from 1914 to 1933 incl. Cert. check for \$100 required, except with bid from State of Wyoming.

**PASADENA SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Pasadena), Los Angeles County, Calif.—BONDS DEFEATED.**—According to newspaper reports, the question of issuing the \$156,000 grammar-schools-construction bonds (V. 97, p. 1231) was defeated at the election held Nov. 12 by a vote of 1814 "for" to 1094 "against," a two-thirds majority being necessary to authorize.

**PENNSGROVE SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Pennsgrove), Salem County, N. J.—BOND ISSUE RESCINDED.**—Local newspaper reports state that action previously taken to issue \$39,500 high-school-constr. bonds was rescinded on Nov. 24.

**PENN YAN, Yates County, N. Y.—BONDS VOTED.**—The question of issuing pumping-station bonds at not exceeding \$6,000 carried, reports state, at the election held Nov. 25, by a vote of 39 to 20.

**NOTES VOTED.**—At the same election the proposition to issue \$2,500 short-term notes also carried by a vote of 36 to 22. Denom. \$500.

**PERRIS, Riverside County, Cal.—BOND SALE.**—The Capitol City National Bank of Sacramento has purchased, reports state, an issue of \$20,000 water bonds at par and interest.

**PERRY, Dallas County, Iowa.—BOND ELECTION PROPOSED.**—Reports state that a petition will be circulated in the near future asking for an election to vote on the question of issuing \$35,000 water-works-plant-construction bonds.

**PETERSBURG, Dinwiddie County, Va.—BONDS TO BE OFFERED SHORTLY.**—Reports state that the finance committee of the City Council will shortly offer for sale about \$25,000 of an issue of \$300,000 water-mains bonds.

**PHILMONT, Columbia County, N. Y.—BOND OFFERING.**—Proposals will be received until 3 p. m. Dec. 12 by the Board of Trustees, James Hayes, Pres., for \$8,000 bonds. Denom. \$1,000. Date Oct. 15 1913. Int. (rate to be named in bid) A. & O. Due \$1,000 yearly, on Oct. 15 from 1918 to 1925 incl. Cert. check for 2% of bonds bid for, payable to Vil. Treas., required.

The official notice of this bond offering will be found among the advertisements elsewhere in this Department.

**PLANT CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Plant City), Hillsboro County, Fla.—BOND ELECTION.**—Reports state that an election will be held Dec. 9 to vote on the proposition to issue \$40,000 building-and-improvement bonds.

**POMONA, Los Angeles County, Calif.—BID REJECTED.**—A bid of par, less a commission, received from Farson, Son & Co. of N. Y., for the \$75,000 street-impt. and \$15,000 fire-apparatus 5% 20-year bonds offered on Nov. 24 was rejected, reports state.

**PORT CLINTON Ottawa County, Ohio.—BOND OFFERING.**—The \$30,000 municipal electric-light bonds voted Nov. 4 (V. 97, p. 1448) will be offered for sale, reports state, on Feb. 15 1914.

**PORTER COUNTY (P. O. Valparaiso) Ind.—BOND OFFERING.**—Proposals will be received until 10 a. m. Dec. 3, it is reported, by B. H. Urbahn, County Treasurer, for \$7,400 4 1/2% 10-year hwbw-impt. bonds.

**PRESCOTT SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Prescott) Yavapai County, Ariz.—BONDS VOTED.**—The question of issuing \$95,000 building and improvement bonds carried, reports state, at the election held Nov. 11.

**PROTECTION, Comanche County, Kans.—BOND OFFERING.**—Further details are at hand relative to the offering on Dec. 10 of the \$30,000 5% electric-light and water bonds (V. 97, p. 1528). Proposals for

these bonds will be received until 7 p. m. on that day by W. H. Griffith, City Clerk. Denom. \$500. Date Jan. 1 1914. Int. J. & J. in Topeka. Due in 20 years, subject to call one or more bonds after 10 years. Cert. check for 2% of bonds, payable to the City Clerk, required. Bonded debt, this issue; floating debt, \$1,500. Assessed valuation, \$556,042.

**PORTLAND, Ore.—BOND SALES.**—On Nov. 11 the following bids were received for the \$315,248 43 6% 10-year improvement bonds offered on that day (V. 97, p. 1370):

Bidder—	Amount.	Bid.	Bidder—	Amount.	Bid.
Wm. Adams	\$315,248 43	100	W. F. White	\$11,000	102.50
Louise M. Butler	1,000 00	102.75	Henry Teal	10,000	102.76
Citizens' Bank	25,000 00	102.60	Kelly Rees	800	103.25
U. S. Nat. Bank	35,000 00	102.51	Margaret Sutphen	2,000	103.00
	50,000 00	103.11	G. H. Gadke	1,500	103.02
Lumbermen's	50,000 00	102.76	Patrick Kellett	300	102.00
Trust & Savings Bank	50,000 00	102.61			
	50,000 00	102.27			
	50,000 00	102.05			
	50,000 00	101.77			

All bidders offered accrued interest in addition to their bids. The bonds were awarded as follows:

Name—	Amount.	Price.	Name—	Amount.	Price.
Wm. Adams	\$73,948 43	100	Margaret Sutphen	\$2,000	103.00
Louise M. Butler	1,000 00	102.75	G. H. Gadke	1,500	103.02
Citizens' Bank	25,000 00	102.60	Henry Teal	10,000	102.76
U. S. Nat. Bank	35,000 00	102.51	Lumbermen's Trust	50,000	103.11
Kelly Rees	800 00	103.25	Trust & Savings Bank	50,000	102.76
W. F. White	11,000 00	102.50		50,000	102.61

On the same day (Nov. 11) the \$1,169 50 6% 10-year Brazee St. extension bonds (V. 97, p. 1370) were awarded to Wm. Adams at par and interest.

**PUTNAM COUNTY (P. O. Greencastle), Ind.—BOND OFFERING.**—Proposals will be received until 12 m. Dec. 11 by Arthur L. Reat, County Treasurer, for the following 4 1/2% coupon road-improvement bonds:

\$7,440 Geo. Browning et al road bonds. Denom. \$372.  
\$10,700 F. P. Farmer et al road bonds. Denom. \$535.  
\$5,880 L. A. Dicks et al road bonds. Denom. \$294.  
Date Dec. 1 1913. Int. M. & N. Due beginning May 15 1915.

**RALEIGH, No. Car.—BOND SALE.**—On Nov. 25 the three issues of 5% 30-yr. bonds, aggregating \$125,000 (V. 97, p. 1370), were awarded, it is stated, to R. M. Grant & Co. of N. Y. at 101.768.

**RARITAN TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Metuchen), Middlesex County, N. J.—BOND SALE.**—The \$19,500 5% school-building and equipment bonds offered on Oct. 16 were awarded as follows on Oct. 23: \$12,000 to R. M. Grant & Co. of N. Y. at 100.42, and \$7,500 to the Metuchen National Bank of Metuchen at 102. Denom. (1) \$500 (19) \$1,000. Date July 1 1913. Int. J. & J. Due \$500 July 1 1921 and \$1,000 yearly July 1 from 1922 to 1940, inclusive.

**RAY COUNTY (P. O. Richmond), Mo.—BOND ELECTION.**—An election will be held Dec. 6, it is stated, to vote on the question of issuing \$100,000 court-house constr. bonds.

**REEDLEY, Fresno County, Cal.—BOND OFFERING.**—Proposals will be received until 8 p. m. Dec. 16 by F. S. Knauer, City Clerk, for the \$40,000 1-40-year (ser.) sewer and \$35,000 5-14-year (ser.) water 5 1/2% bonds voted Oct. 20 (V. 97, p. 1307). Int. semi-ann. Cert. check for 10% required.

**RIPLEY TOWNSHIP (P. O. Yountville), Montgomery County, Ind.—BOND OFFERING.**—Proposals will be received until 2 p. m. Dec. 15 by John B. Hopping, Twp. Trustee, for \$4,500 4 1/2% 1-15-year (ser.) bonds. Denom. \$300. Date Dec. 20 1913.

**ROCHESTER, N. Y.—NOTE OFFERING.**—Proposals will be received, until 2 p. m. Dec. 3 by E. S. Osborne, City Comptroller, for \$150,000 local improvement notes, payable 8 months from Dec. 5 1913. They will be drawn with interest and made payable at the Union Trust Co. of N. Y. Bidder to designate rate of interest and denomination of notes desired.

**ROCK FALLS, Whiteside County, Ill.—BONDS DEFEATED.**—According to reports, the proposition to issue the \$10,000 park bonds (V. 97, p. 1307) was defeated at the election held Nov. 10 by a vote of 160 "for" to 391 "against."

**ROCKINGHAM COUNTY (P. O. Wentworth), No. Caro.—BONDS PROPOSED.**—According to reports, this county is contemplating the issuance of \$10,000 Dan River bridge-construction bonds.

**ROUNDUP, Musselshell County, Mont.—BONDS VOTED.**—The election held Nov. 17 resulted in favor of the question of issuing the \$60,000 6% 20-yr. bonds to purchase the plant of the Roundup Water Co. (V. 97, p. 1528). The vote was 102 to 23.

**ST. JOSEPH, Berrien County, Mich.—BOND SALE.**—On Nov. 19 the \$50,000 4 1/2% public park bonds were awarded to E. H. Rollins & Sons and the Continental & Commercial Trust & Savings Bank of Chicago at their joint bid of 95 and int.—a basis of about 4.86%. Denom. \$1,000. Date May 1 1913. Int. J. & J. at the City Treas. office or at some bank in Chicago, as may be desired by the purchaser. Due \$5,000 yearly Jan. 2 from 1922 to 1941 incl.

**ST. LANDRY PARISH (P. O. Opelousas), La.—CERTIFICATE SALE.**—Reports state that a Toledo, Ohio, firm has agreed to purchase the \$100,000 certificates of indebtedness recently authorized (V. 97, p. 1448).

**ST. LOUIS COUNTY (P. O. Duluth) Minn.—BOND OFFERING.**—Additional information is at hand relative to the offering on Dec. 6 of the \$35,000, of an issue of \$100,000, 4 1/2% Judicial Ditch No. 3 construction bonds (V. 97, p. 1448). Proposals for these bonds will be received until 9:30 a. m. on that day by O. Haledon, Co. Aud., Denom. \$100, \$500 and \$1,000. Date Jan. 1 1914. Int. J. & J. Due \$9,000 Jan. 1 1919 and \$6,500 yearly on Jan. 1 from 1920 to 1923 incl. Cert. check, certificate of deposit, or cash for 1% of bid, required. Official circular states that there is no controversy or litigation pending or threatened regarding the validity of the proceedings or affecting the boundaries of said county or the title of its present officers to their respective offices. It also stated that there has never been any default in the payment of bonds or interest.

**ST. MARYS, Auglaize County, Ohio.—BONDS NOT SOLD.**—No bids were received for the four issues of 5% street-impt. bonds, aggregating \$14,534, offered on Nov. 22 (V. 97, p. 1308).

**ST. PAUL, Minn.—BOND SALE.**—On Nov. 24 the \$525,000 4 1/2% 30-year coupon library bonds (V. 97, p. 1448) were awarded to a syndicate composed of Estabrook & Co., R. L. Day & Co. of Boston, and Stevens, Chapman & Co. of Minneapolis at 101.69 and int. Other bids were: Equitable Trust Co., N. Y. 101.67; R. W. Pressprich & Co., N. Y. 100.42; Blodget & Co., Boston, 100.63; Geo. S. Ring, St. Paul, 100 on Emery, Peck & Rockwood, Chic/100.63. \$100,000 May 1 1914 delivery.

**SALEM, Ore.—BOND OFFERING.**—Proposals will be received until 5 p. m. Dec. 8 by R. A. Crossan, City Treas., for \$60,000 5% 20-yr. gold refunding bonds. Denom. \$1,000. Int. semi-ann. at the fiscal agency of State of Oregon in N. Y. City. Cert. check for 2% of bonds, payable to Mayor, required. Bids must be unconditional. The legality of these bonds will be approved by Storey, Thorndike, Palmer & Dodge of Boston, whose unconditional opinion as to legality will be furnished purchaser.

**BOND SALE.**—We are informed that on Nov. 17 the \$480,000 5% 10-yr. (aver.) gold sewer bonds (V. 97, p. 1308) were awarded to Henry Teal of Portland at 100.689 and int., a basis of about 4.91%. E. H. Rollins & Sons of Chicago bid in joint account with the Continental & Commercial Trust & Sav. Bank, Chicago, offering 100.33 and int. There were nine bids in all received for the issue.

**SALINEVILLE, Columbiana County, Ohio.—BOND SALE.**—On Nov. 24 the \$12,569 18 5% 1-5-yr. (ser.) Main St. impt. (assess.) bonds (V. 97, p. 1232) were awarded to the Citizens' Banking Co. of Salineville for \$12,575 (100.046) and int. Sidney Spitzer & Co. and Spitzer, Rorick & Co. of Toledo each bid par.

**SAN MATEO, San Mateo County, Calif.—BOND SALE.**—On Nov. 17 the seven issues of 5 1/2% gold bonds, aggregating \$89,000 (V. 97, p. 1370), were awarded, it is stated, to E. H. Rollins & Sons of San Francisco for \$90,512, equal to 101.698.

**SANTA ANA, Orange County, Calif.—BOND OFFERING.**—According to newspaper dispatches, proposals will be received until 5 p. m. Jan. 5 1914 by J. O. Burke, City Clerk, for the \$63,000 1-40-yr. (ser.) water-works and \$12,000 1-24-yr. (ser.) fire 5% bonds voted Sept. 11 (V. 97, p. 907). Int. semi-ann. Cert. check for 5% required.

**SAVANNAH SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Savannah), Andrew County, Mo.—NO BOND ELECTION.**—We are advised that no election was held Nov. 19 to vote on the question of issuing \$2,000 Beeler school-reconstruction bonds (V. 97, p. 1448).



**SCHENECTADY COUNTY (P. O. Schenectady), N. Y.—BOND OFFERING.**—Proposals will be received until 12 m. Dec. 8 by M. J. Rosa, Co. Treas., for \$100,000 4½% registered court-house and jail bonds. Denom. \$1,000. Date Jan. 1 1913. Int. semi-annual. Due \$2,000 vry. Jan. 1 from 1914 to 1963 incl. Principal and int. on bonds Nos. 1 to 50 incl. payable at the Schenectady Trust Co., and the principal and int. on bonds Nos. 51 to 100 incl. at the Citizens' Trust Co. at Schenectady. Certified check (or cash) on a national bank or trust company for 2% of bonds bid for, payable to the Co. Treas., required. The legality of the issue will be examined into by Caldwell, Masslich & Reed, N. Y., whose favorable opinion will be furnished to purchaser. Bonds to be delivered on Dec. 8 at the office of the Co. Treas., or as soon thereafter as completed. Purchaser to pay accrued int. Bids to be made on blank forms furnished by County Treas.

**SOUTH ORANGE TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. South Orange), Essex County, N. J.—BOND SALE.**—On Nov. 24 the \$113,000 5% 26½-yr. (av.) school bonds (V. 97, p. 1528) were awarded, it is stated, to John D. Everitt & Co. and A. B. Leach & Co. of N. Y. at their joint bid of 105.50.

**SOUTH PASADENA, Los Angeles County, Cal.—BONDS DEFEATED.**—Reports state that the proposition to issue the \$300,000 water bonds (V. 97, p. 1448) was defeated at the election held Nov. 20 by a vote of 1,357 "for" to 772 "against." A two-thirds majority was necessary to authorize.

**STAMFORD, Fairfield County, Conn.—BOND SALE.**—The following bids were received for the \$30,000 5% 25-yr. public-impmt. bonds offered on Nov. 24 (V. 97, p. 1448):  
R. L. Day & Co., Boston...\$109.56 | Spitzer, Rorick & Co., N. Y. 108.291  
Blodget & Co., Boston...109.40 | Harris, Forbes & Co., N. Y. 107.682  
E. H. Rollins & Sons, Boston...108.82 | Hincks Bros. & Co., N. Y. 107.111  
Estabrook & Co., Boston...108.55 | Merrill, Oldham & Co., Bost. 106.169  
Curtis & Sanger, Boston...108.32 |  
\*Successful bid.

**STAGE SANITARY DISTRICT (P. O. Stage), Contra Costa County, Calif.—BONDS TO BE OFFERED SHORTLY.**—Reports state that this district will offer for sale in January 1914 the \$75,000 sewer bonds (V. 97, p. 1063.)

**SULLIVAN COUNTY (P. O. Sullivan), Ind.—BOND OFFERING.**—According to reports, proposals will be received until 12 m. Dec. 12 by W. S. Bicknell, Co. Aud., for \$6,798 5% drainage bonds.

**SUMMIT COUNTY (P. O. Akron), Ohio.—BOND OFFERING.**—Proposals will be received until 11 a. m. Dec. 15 by C. L. Bower, Clerk. Board of Commissioners, for \$23,000 5% coupon bridge and highway-construction bonds. Auth. election held Nov. 4. Date, "day of sale." Int. A. & O. at office of County Treasurer. Due \$2,000 yearly on Oct. 1 from 1915 to 1924, inclusive, and \$3,000 on Oct. 1 1925. Certified check for 5% of bid required.

**SUNBURY, Delaware County, Ohio.—BOND OFFERING.**—Proposals will be received until 1 p. m. Dec. 20 by Milton Utley, Vil. Clerk, for the following 5½% bonds:  
\$1,800 Granville St.—paying and curbing bonds. Denom. \$180. Due \$180 yearly on Sept. 1 from 1914 to 1923 incl.  
3,000 Harrison St.—impmt. bonds. Denom. \$300. Due \$300 yearly on Sept. 1 from 1914 to 1923 incl.  
2,500 Letts Ave.—impmt. bonds. Denom. \$250. Due \$250 yearly on Sept. 1 from 1914 to 1923 incl.

Date Sept. 1 1913. Int. M. & S. at office of Vil. Treas. Cert. check for 5% of bonds bid for, payable to Vil. Clerk, required.

delivered and paid for within 10 days from time of award. Separate bids must be made for each issue.

**TACOMA, Wash.—BOND ELECTION.**—An election will be held Dec. 30, it is stated, to vote on the following questions: *First:* Issuance of \$87,000 bonds to build tide-flats car line. *Second:* Construction of municipally-owned car line from the tide-flats, out Sixth Ave., to Titlow's Beach. *Third:* Issuance of \$150,000 bonds to build both the tide-flats line and the line to Titlow's Beach.

**TALLAHATCHIE DRAINAGE DISTRICT, Union County, Miss.—BOND OFFERING.**—Proposals will be received until 10 a. m. Dec. 19 by C. S. Cullens, Clerk Bd. of Commrs. (P. O. New Albany), for \$93,000 6% 1-20-yr. bonds. Denom. \$500. Int. ann. Cert. check for 10% required.

**TANGIPAHOA PARISH (P. O. Amite), La.—BOND ELECTION.**—Reports state that an election will be held Dec. 16 to submit to a vote the question of issuing \$700,000 good-roads bonds.

**TAUNTON, Bristol County, Mass.—LOAN OFFERING.**—Reports state that proposals will be received until 4 p. m. Dec. 1 by the City Treas. for a loan, at discount of \$100,000 maturing Nov. 10 1914.

**TAYLOR SEPARATE SCHOOL DISTRICT, Lafayette County, Miss.—BOND OFFERING.**—This district is offering for sale \$2,500 6% bonds. Int. semi-ann. C. E. Slouhig is attorney (P. O. Oxford).

**TIFFIN CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Tiffin), Seneca County, Ohio.—BOND OFFERING.**—The Board of Education, John C. Royer, Clerk, will offer for sale at public auction at 2 p. m. Nov. 29 an issue of \$12,000 5% school-constr. and ground-impmt. bonds. Denom. \$500. Date Nov. 29 1913. Int. M. & S. Due \$2,000 yearly on March 1 from 1915 to 1920 incl.

**TONAWANDA, Erie County, N. Y.—BOND OFFERING.**—Further details are at hand relative to the offering on Dec. 3 of the \$65,000 coup. or reg. tax-free water refunding bonds (V. 97, p. 1529). Proposals for these bonds will be received until 8 p. m. on that day by the Common Council, Chas. F. Wolf, City Treas. Denom. \$1,000. Date Jan. 1 1914. Int. not to exceed 5%, payable J. & J. at office of City Treas. or at Chase Nat. Bank, N. Y. C. Due \$3,000 yearly on Jan. 1 from 1915 to 1919 incl. and \$2,000 yearly on Jan. 1 from 1920 to 1944 incl. Cert. check or draft for \$1,000, payable to City Treas., required. Bonds to be delivered and paid for on Jan. 2 1914. The legality of these bonds will be approved by Dillon, Thompson & Clay of N. Y. C., whose favorable opinion will be furnished successful bidder.

**TROPICO, Los Angeles County, Cal.—BONDS DEFEATED.**—Reports state that the question of issuing \$80,000 bonds to purchase the plant of the Tropic Water Co. was defeated by a vote of 123 "for" to 395 "against" at a recent election.

**TURLOCK IRRIGATION DISTRICT (P. O. Turlock), Stanislaus County, Cal.—BOND OFFERING.**—The District Directors will open bids at 2 p. m. Dec. 15, it is stated, for \$350,000 reservoir-construction and canal-enlargement bonds.

**TWIN FALLS COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 5 (P. O. Filer), Idaho.—BOND OFFERING.**—Proposals will be received until 7:30 p. m. Nov. 29 by S. G. Diehl, Clerk Board of Trustees, for \$4,000 6% 10-20-year (opt.) school-constr. and equipment bonds authorized at the election held Oct. 11. Denom. \$500. Date Dec. 1 1913. Int. J. & D. Cert. check for \$200, payable to J. D. Brown, Treas., required. Bonded debt (incl. this issue), \$17,500. Assess. val., \$618,000. A similar issue of bonds was reported sold to Causey, Foster & Co. of Denver on Aug. 18. See V. 97, p. 683.

NEW LOANS.

\$10,567,470  
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\$8,000

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BONDS.

Sealed proposals will be received by the Board of Trustees of the Village of Philmont, Columbia County, New York, until three o'clock in the afternoon on the 12TH DAY OF DECEMBER, 1913, for the purchase of Eight Thousand Dollars (\$8,000) of bonds of said Village, being bonds authorized pursuant to a proposition adopted at a Special Election of said Village of Philmont, held on the 21st day of October, 1913; bonds to be of the denomination of One thousand Dollars (\$1,000) each, and to be dated October 15th, 1913, and the first bond to be due and payable October 15th, 1918, and annually thereafter one of said bonds to become due and payable on the fifteenth day of October in each and every year to and including the fifteenth day of October, 1925, with interest thereon, payable semi-annually on the fifteenth days of April and October in each year. The first payment of interest to be due and payable on April 15th, 1914. The bonds are to be sold to the person or persons who will take them at the lowest rate of interest. Bids will be received for the whole or any portion of said bonds. Proposals should be sealed and marked "Proposals for Bonds" and mailed to the Treasurer of the Village of Philmont, N. Y. At the time of the delivery of the bonds to the purchaser, he will be obliged to pay the accrued interest in addition to amount of the bid. A certified check for two per centum of the amount of the bonds bid for, payable to the Treasurer of the Village of Philmont, must accompany each bid.

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The \$8,000 Electric Light Refunding Bonds were voted twenty-five years ago, and are being refunded by Special Act of the General Assembly of North Carolina, session 1913.

The Street Improvement Bonds are issued to pay off indebtedness already incurred by said City for necessary expenses, and by authority conferred upon said City by its amended Charter of 1911.

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VALDOSTA, Lowndes County, Ga.—BOND SALE.—On Nov. 18 the two issues of 5% bonds aggregating \$50,000 were awarded, it is stated, to J. H. Hillsman & Co. of Atlanta at 100.022. These bonds were offered for sale Nov. 5 but the bids received on that day were rejected (V. 97, p. 1232).

VAN WERT COUNTY (P. O. Van Wert), Ohio.—BOND OFFERING.—Proposals will be received until 1 p. m. Dec. 10 by the County Commissioners, Chas. Showalter, Clerk, for \$16,500 5% ditch-improvement bonds. Denom. \$500. Date Jan. 1, 1914. Int. semi-annually at County Treasury. Due \$5,500 on Jan. 1 in 1915, 1916 and 1917. Certified check for \$100 on a Van Wert bank required. Bids to be unconditional. Purchaser to furnish blank bonds.

WAKE COUNTY (P. O. Raleigh), No. Caro.—BOND ELECTION PROPOSED.—The County Commissioners have been requested to call an election to vote on the issuance of \$50,000 bonds to build a school at Glenwood. It is reported that this election will doubtless take place early in January.

WASHINGTON COUNTY (P. O. Salem), Ind.—BOND SALE.—On Nov. 22 the two issues of 4 1/2% 5 1/2-year (aver.) gravel-road bonds aggregating \$23,400 (V. 97, p. 1449) were awarded to J. F. Wild & Co. of Indianapolis for \$23,527 60 (100.545) and int. Other bids were: Farmers' State Bank, Salem, \$80 70 premium; Bank of Salem, Salem, 70 20 premium; E. M. Campbell & Sons Co., Indianapolis, \$48 10 prem. and interest; Evansville Securities Co., Evansville, \$25 00 premium.

WASHINGTON C. H., Fayette County, Ohio.—BOND SALE.—On Nov. 21 the two issues of 5% bonds (V. 97, p. 1232) were awarded, it is stated, as follows: \$2,250 2 1/2-year (aver.) North St. (assess.) bonds to the Commercial Bank of Washington C. H.; 10,000 12 1/2-year (aver.) motor-driven fire-apparatus bonds to N. W. Halsey & Co. of Chicago at 101.57.

WAYNE COUNTY (P. O. Richmond), Ind.—BOND OFFERING.—Proposals will be received until 12 m. Dec. 6 by Albert N. Chamness, Co. Treas., for the following 4 1/2% highway-impt. bonds: \$49,000 Wm. B. Barton et al highway bonds. Denom. (20) \$450, (80) \$500. Due \$2,450 each six months from May 15 1915 to Nov. 15 1934 inclusive. 46,000 Edgar M. Haas et al highway bonds. Denom. (20) \$300, (80) \$500. Due \$2,300 each six months from May 15 1915 to Nov. 15 1924 inclusive. Date Dec. 6 1913. Int. M. & N.

WAYNE TOWNSHIP (P. O. West Point), Tippecanoe County, Ind.—BOND OFFERING.—Additional information is at hand relative to the offering on Dec. 1 of the \$8,400 4 1/2% high-school-impt. bonds (V. 97, p. 1530). Proposals for these bonds will be received until 10 a. m. on that day by Chas. Turner, Twp. Trustee. Denom. \$525. Date Dec. 1 1913. Int. J. & J. Due \$525 each six months from July 15 1915 to Jan. 15 1923 inclusive.

WELLS COUNTY (P. O. Bluffton), Ind.—BOND SALE.—The Fletcher-American Nat. Bank of Indianapolis has purchased \$28,000 gravel-road bonds, according to reports.

WEST ALEXANDRIA, Preble County, Ohio.—BOND OFFERING.—Proposals will be received until 12 m. Dec. 15 by G. Davis, Village Clerk, for \$4,300 5 1/2% coupon taxable street-impt. bonds. Denom. (1) \$800, (7) \$500. Date Sept. 22 1913. Int. A. & O. at office of Village Clerk. Due one bond yearly beginning Oct. 1 1915. Certified check for 5% of bonds bid for, payable to Village Treasurer, required. Bonds to be delivered and paid for within 10 days from time of award. Purchaser to pay accrued interest. Bonded debt Nov. 26, \$13,000. Assessed value 1912, \$1,218,020. These bonds were offered Sept. 22 but were not sold on that day because of a discrepancy between the ordinance and notice of sale. V. 97, p. 908.

WHARTON COUNTY (P. O. Wharton), Tex.—BONDS VOTED.—According to local newspaper reports, this county recently voted in favor of the issuance of \$250,000 Precinct No. 1 bonds.

WILKES-BARRE, Luzerne County, Pa.—BOND SALE.—On Nov. 21 the \$75,000 4 1/2% 4-29-year (ser.) impt. bonds (V. 97, p. 1371) were awarded to B. H. Rollins & Sons of Boston at 102.778. Other bids were: Montgomery, Clothier & N. W. Halsey & Co., N. Y. \$76,327 50; Tyler, Philadelphia, \$76,972 50; Remick, Hodges & Co., N. Y. 76,005 75; Blodgett & Co., New York 76,965 00; Kissel, Kinnicutt & Co., New York 76,807 00; Kountze Bros., N. Y. 75,847 50; Peck, Rasmus & Truets, New York 75,362 25; C. C. Harrison Jr. & Co., Harris, Forbes & Co., N. Y. 75,315 75; dale, New York 76,616 47.

WILLIAMSTON TOWNSHIP (P. O. Williamston), Martin County, No. Caro.—BOND SALE.—The \$10,000 6% road bonds (V. 97, p. 1371) were awarded on Nov. 22 to Stacy & Braun of Toledo at 100.257 and int.

WINBER, Somerset County, Pa.—BOND OFFERING.—Proposals will be received until 8 p. m. Dec. 2, it is stated, by O. M. Young, Boro. Sec., for \$10,000 5% 20-yr. municipal-impt. bonds.

WOBURN, Middlesex County, Mass.—TEMPORARY LOAN.—We learn that a 1-yr. loan of \$20,000 dated Nov. 24 1913, issued in anticipation of taxes was on Nov. 21 negotiated with Blake Bros. & Co. of Boston at 4.07% discount.

WOONSOCKET, Providence County, R. I.—TEMPORARY LOAN.—According to reports, a loan of \$350,000, maturing May 5 1914 has been negotiated with Bond & Goodwin of Boston.

WYANDOTTE SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Wyandotte), Wayne County, Mich.—BONDS VOTED.—The question of issuing the \$12,500 McKinley school impt. bonds (V. 97, p. 1159) carried, reports state, at the election held Nov. 24 by a vote of 262 to 104.

YOUNGSTOWN, Ohio.—BOND SALE.—Of the fifteen issues of 5% coup. or reg. bonds aggregating \$248,260, offered on Nov. 17 (V. 97, p. 1233), the following have been awarded to Sidney Spitzer & Co. of Toledo:

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 C. E. Denison & Co. of Cleve. bid \$11,045 60 for Emma St. pav. bonds.  
 The \$200,000 15-yr. water-works-ext. bonds were awarded to Hayden,  
 Miller & Co. of Cleveland at 104.82. Other bids for this issue were:  
 Harris, Forbes & Co., N. Y. \$209,162  
 C. E. Denison & Co., Cleve. 208,626  
 R. L. Day & Co., Boston. 208,378  
 Estabrook & Co., Boston. 207,620  
 Weil, Roth & Co., Cin. 206,666  
 Otis & Co., Cleve., and Cur- 206,100  
 tis & Saniger, Boston. 203,380  
 Hayden, Miller & Co. agreed, it is stated, that in the event of their being  
 awarded the \$200,000 water bonds, they would accept the following at par:  
 \$2,000 sidewalk & crosswalk bonds 33,610 Salt Spring St. grading bonds  
 900 Sewer-repair bonds 2,995 Hezlep et al. st. sewer bonds  
 465 Palm St. grading bonds 3,630 Madison Av. dist. sewer bds.  
 685 Flemming St. paving bonds 1,085 State St. sewer bonds  
 335 Coral St. grading bonds

**YUMA COUNTY (P. O. Yuma), Ariz.—BOND OFFERING.**—Proposals will be received until 10 a. m. Dec. 12 by the Bd. of Sups., Roy Hansberger, Clerk, for \$250,000 5% highway-impt. bonds. Denom. \$1,000. Date Dec. 31 1913. Int. J. & D. in gold or N. Y. exchange at office of Co. Treas. Due \$25,000 yearly on Dec. 31 from 1913 to 1952 incl. Cert. check on some national bank for 5% of bid, payable to County Treas. required. These bonds are part of an issue of \$500,000 authorized by vote of 536 to 99 at an election held Sept. 27 (V. 97, p. 1450). Official circular states that there has never been any default in the payment of any of the county's obligations, nor has there been any controversy or litigation pending or threatened concerning the validity of these bonds, the corporate existence or boundaries of the municipality or the title of the present officers to their respective offices.

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**EASTWAY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 2904 (P. O. Eastway), Alta.—DEBENTURE SALE.**—An issue of \$1,500 8% site-purchase and building debentures was purchased on Aug. 26 by the Western School Supply Co. of Regina at 95. Date Aug. 26 1913. Int. ann. on Feb. 26. Due part yearly Feb. 26 from 1915 to 1924 incl.

**ELORA, Ont.—DEBENTURE OFFERING.**—Proposals will be received until 12 m. Dec. 1 by Henry Clarke, Vil. Clerk, for the \$10,000 5% coup. electric-power debentures voted Nov. 3 (V. 97, p. 1160). Denom. \$10 less than \$100. Date Dec. 1 1913. Int. ann. on Dec. 1 at office of Vil. Treas. Due in 25 annual installments beginning in 1914.

**HUMBOLDT, Sask.—DEBENTURE ELECTION PROPOSED.**—It is reported that the questions of issuing \$20,500 electric-light system ext.,

\$103,547 water-works, \$57,700 sewerage system and \$7,500 town-hall completion debentures will be submitted to a vote in the near future.

**LOWER BEAVER LODGE SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 2812, Alta.—DEBENTURE SALE.**—An issue of \$450 8% debentures, dated Aug. 25 1913, was sold recently to the Alberta School Supply Co. of Edmonton at 90. Due yearly Dec. 25 1914 to 1918, inclusive.

**PETERBOROUGH COUNTY (P. O. Peterborough), Ont.—DEBENTURE SALE.**—An issue of \$10,000 5% debentures was recently awarded to Wood, Gundy & Co. of Toronto, it is stated. Due in 20 installments.

**PETROLEA, Ont.—DEBENTURE SALE.**—The \$7,000 5% debentures (V. 97, p. 1234) were awarded, it is reported, to A. E. Ames & Co. of Toronto. Due in 20 installments.

**PORT ARTHUR, Ont.—DEBENTURE SALE.**—An issue of \$209,731 4½% 29-year debentures was recently awarded to the Dominion Securities Corp. of Toronto, reports state.

**PORT STANLEY, Ont.—DEBENTURES NOT SOLD.**—No award has been made of the \$3,450 6% 5-installment improvement debentures offered on Nov. 10 (V. 97, p. 1309).

**RENFREW, Ont.—DEBENTURE ELECTION PROPOSED.**—The question of issuing \$10,000 town-hall and municipal office debentures will be voted upon in the near future, it is stated.

**ST. MARY'S, Ont.—LOAN DEFEATED.**—The by-law to loan \$50,000 to the Carter Milling Co. was defeated on Nov. 20 (V. 97, p. 1309).

**SAULT STE. MARIE, Ont.—LOAN VOTED.**—Reports state that a by-law providing for a loan of \$20,000 a year for 20 years, as a bonus to the Lake Superior Drydock & Shipbuilding Co., carried at a recent election.

**STRATFORD, Ont.—DEBENTURES DEFEATED.**—The by-law providing for the issuance of the \$20,000 fire-apparatus debentures (V. 97, p. 1065) failed to carry. it is stated, at a recent election.

**TACHERURAL MUNICIPALITY, Man.—DEBENTURE ELECTION.**—An election will be held Dec. 16 to submit to a vote the question of issuing \$45,000 5% road-impt. debentures. Due in ann. installments of prin. & int.

**VERNON, B. C.—DEBENTURE SALE.**—According to reports, an issue of \$100,000 5% 20-year debentures was recently awarded to Spitzer, Rorick & Co. of Toledo.

**WATROUS, Sask.—DEBENTURE ELECTION PROPOSED.**—According to reports, a by-law providing for the issuance of \$8,500 electric-light-plant debentures will be submitted to a vote in the near future.

**WILKIE, Sask.—DEBENTURE SALE.**—According to reports, W. L. McKinnon & Co. of Toronto were recently awarded an issue of \$13,200 5½% 15-year debentures.

**WINGHAM, Ont.—DEBENTURE SALE.**—The Dominion Securities Corp. of Toronto has purchased \$4,700 5% debentures, it is stated. Due in 5 installments.

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