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Reserve Fund.....£1,850,000

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Paid-up Capital.....539,437 10 0  
Further Liability of Proprietors...539,437 10 0  
Reserve Fund.....550,000 0 0

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Paid-up Capital.....5,503,719  
Reserve.....5,756,889

(31st Dec., 1919.)

Current, Deposit and other Accounts.....£304,547,730

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Deposits, . . . . . \$165,000,000

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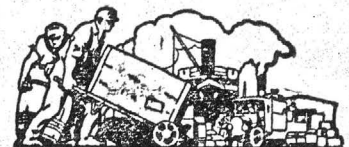
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The stockholders of Middle West Utilities Company are hereby notified that pursuant to call made by the Board of Directors, a special meeting of the stockholders of said Company will be held at the office of the Company, No. 7 West 10th Street, in the City of Wilmington, in the State of Delaware, on the 15th day of June, 1920, at 11:30 o'clock A. M. The purpose of the meeting is to consider the question of the adoption of a certain agreement (which has been approved by the Directors) for the merger and consolidation of Middle West Securities Company with and into Middle West Utilities Company.

For the purpose of said meeting the Company's stock transfer books will be closed at 1 o'clock P. M. on Saturday, May 22, 1920, and will be reopened at 10 o'clock A. M. on Thursday, June 17, 1920.

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DIVIDEND NO. 98.  
At a meeting of the Directors held to-day the usual quarterly dividend of Two and One-Half Per Cent on the Common Stock for the quarter ended 31st March last, being at the rate of Seven Per Cent per annum from revenue and Three Per Cent per annum from special income account, was declared, payable 30th June next to shareholders of record at 3 P. M. on 1st June next.  
ERNEST ALEXANDER,  
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Montreal, May 5, 1920.

**Central Arkansas Railway & Light Corp.**  
PREFERRED STOCK DIVIDEND NO. 29.  
New York, May 5, 1920.  
The Board of Directors has this day declared the Twenty-ninth consecutive quarterly dividend of One and Three-Quarters Per Cent (1 3/4%) on the Preferred Stock of the Central Arkansas Railway & Light Corporation, payable on June 1, 1920, to the Stockholders of record as of the close of business May 15, 1920. Checks will be mailed. Transfer books will not be closed.  
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May 3rd, 1920.  
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PREFERRED DIVIDEND NO. 83.  
New York, May 5th, 1920.  
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COMMON DIVIDEND NO. 72.  
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**MANATI SUGAR COMPANY.**  
112 Wall St., N. Y. May 6, 1920.  
The Board of Directors of the Manati Sugar Company have declared the regular quarterly dividend of 2 1/4% upon the Common stock of the company, payable June 1, 1920, to holders of Common stock of record upon the books of the company at the close of business May 17, 1920.  
MANUEL E. RIONDA,  
Treasurer.

**ELECTRIC INVESTMENT CORPORATION.**  
PREFERRED STOCK DIVIDEND.  
May 4th, 1920.  
The Board of Directors has to-day declared a dividend of one and three-quarters per cent (1 3/4%) on the preferred stock of Electric Investment Corporation, payable May 22nd, 1920, to preferred stockholders of record at the close of business on May 12th, 1920.  
L. E. KILMARX, Treasurer.

**SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA EDISON CO.**  
Edison Building, Los Angeles, California.  
The regular quarterly dividend of \$1.75 per share on the outstanding Common Capital Stock (being Common Stock Dividend No. 41) will be paid on May 15th, 1920, to stockholders of record at the close of business on April 30th, 1920.  
W. L. PERCEY, Treasurer.

**The R. E. Seamans Co., Inc.**  
Preferred Dividend No. 4  
The regular quarterly dividend of Two Per Cent (2%) has been declared on the Preferred stock of this company, payable May 31st, 1920, to stockholders of record May 15th, 1920.  
HOUSTON B. TEEHEE, Treasurer.

Dividends

**STANDARD MILLING COMPANY**  
49 WALL STREET.  
COMMON STOCK DIVIDEND NO. 14  
New York City, April 28, 1920.  
The Board of Directors of the STANDARD MILLING COMPANY have to-day declared a quarterly dividend of Two Per Cent (2%) upon the Common Stock of this Company, payable on May 31st, 1920, in cash, to Common Stockholders of record at the close of business May 20th, 1920.  
JOS. A. KNOX, Treasurer.

Dividends

**STANDARD MILLING COMPANY**  
49 WALL STREET.  
PREFERRED STOCK DIVIDEND NO. 42  
New York City, April 28, 1920.  
The Board of Directors of the STANDARD MILLING COMPANY have this day declared a quarterly dividend of One and One-half Per Cent (1 1/2%) upon the Preferred Stock of this Company, payable out of the earnings for the current fiscal year on May 31, 1920, to Preferred Stockholders of record at the close of business on May 20, 1920.  
JOS. A. KNOX, Treasurer.

Financial

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Hartford, Conn., 4½s	1933	5.00%	Fitchburg, Mass., 4s	1923	5.375%
Newton, Mass., 4s	1936	5.00	Lynn, Mass., 4s	1925	5.25
New Haven, Conn., 4½s	1924-40	5.00	Woonsocket, R. I., 4s	1933	5.25
" " " 5s	1945	5.00	Tacoma, Wash., 5s	1947	5.25
" " " 4s	1928	5.25	Boston, Mass., 4s	1923	5.25
New Britain, Conn., 4½s	1922-37	5.00	St. Paul, Minn., 5s	1923	5.25
" " " 4s	1923-25	5.25	Saginaw, Mich., 4s	1924	5.25
Eastwood, N. Y., 5s	1935-45	5.00	Portsmouth, Va., 5¼s	1950	5.25
N. Hempstead, N. Y., 4.80s	1921-30	5.00	Robeson Co., N. C., 5½s	1930-45	5.25
Taunton, Mass., 3½s	1930	5.25	Portsmouth, N. H., 4s	1924	5.375
Flint, Mich., 4½s	1923	5.20	Chelsea, Mass., 4s	1925	5.375
Cambridge, Mass., 4s	1936	5.10	Montgomery Co., O., 5½s	1922-24	5.50
" " 4s	1924	5.25	Tacoma, Wash., 4½s	1930	5.50
Waterbury, Conn., 4s	1927	5.25	Sioux Falls, S. D., 5s	1927	5.50
Fall River, Mass., 4s	1927-29	5.25	Seattle, Wash., 5s	1929-39	6.00
Everett, Mass., 4s	1929-31	5.25	Cumberland Co., N. C., 6s	1922	6.00
Chicago, Ill., 4s	1923	5.25	New Bern, N. C., 6s	1922	6.00
Fitchburg, Mass., 4s	1925	5.25			

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New York, May 3, 1920

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Messrs. White, Weld & Company announce that Mr. Harold Fowler has this day been admitted to general partnership.

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May 1, 1920.

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To Holders of Four Per Cent First  
Mortgage Gold Bonds due May 1,  
1920, of

## Central Vermont Railway Company


The Committee, under the Agreement dated March 5, 1920, for the deposit of the above-mentioned Bonds, announces that more than two-thirds of the Bonds have been subjected to said Agreement and that the Committee has secured an offer to exchange for the above-mentioned Bonds (provided the holders of substantially all of said Bonds accept such exchange) an equal face amount of new Ten-Year 5% Bonds of the Central Vermont Railway Company, guaranteed both principal and interest by the Grand Trunk Railway Company of Canada, which owns a majority of stock of the Central Vermont Company. The Committee strongly urges the holders of the Bonds who have not already done so, promptly to deposit their Bonds under said Agreement, so that the Committee may be in position to act for substantially all holders of such Bonds and, for that purpose, has extended until JUNE 1, 1920, the time for deposits under said Agreement. Deposits may be made with THE EQUITABLE TRUST COMPANY OF NEW YORK, 37 WALL STREET, NEW YORK CITY, or 3 KING WILLIAM STREET, E. C. 4, LONDON, ENGLAND, the Depository, or with AMERICAN TRUST COMPANY, 50 STATE STREET, BOSTON, the Agent of the Depository. Transferable certificates of deposit will be issued therefor. Copies of the Deposit Agreement may be obtained upon application either to the Depository or to its Agent.

Dated May 6, 1920.

HENRY E. COOPER,  
S. E. KILNER,  
HUNTER S. MARSTON,  
E. C. SMITH,  
PHILIP STOCKTON,  
ALBERT TUTTLE,  
Committee.

LLOYD CHURCH, Secretary,  
24 Broad Street, New York City.  
HORNBLOWER, MILLER, GARRISON &  
POTTER, Counsel,  
24 Broad Street, New York City.

Bank Statements

THE  
**CHATHAM**  
 AND  
**PHENIX**  
  
**NATIONAL**  
**BANK**

OF THE  
**CITY OF NEW YORK**

CONDENSED STATEMENT OF THE CONDITION  
 AT THE CLOSE OF BUSINESS MAY 4, 1920

<u>RESOURCES</u>		<u>LIABILITIES</u>	
Loans and Discounts.....	\$108,104,659 64	Capital.....	\$7,000,000 00
United States Certificates of Indebtedness.....	1,304,000 00	Curplus and Undivided Profits.....	7,272,385 91
United States Bonds..... (Market Value)	9,884,000 00	Unearned Discount.....	846,873 96
Other Stocks and Bonds..	4,791,366 91	Reserve for Taxes & Interest Circulation.....	569,720 95 4,682,860 00
Customers' Liability Ac- count of Acceptances....	4,020,967 60	Acceptances executed for Customers.....	4,062,687 60
CASH AND EXCHANGES..	33,156,050 65	(After deducting \$72,208 95 held by Bank)	
		Bills Payable Federal Re- serve Bank.....	None
		Rediscounts with Federal Reserve Bank.....	None
		DEPOSITS.....	136,826,516 38
	\$161,261,044 80		\$161,261,044 80

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\$2,500,000

## Minneapolis, St. Paul, & Sault Ste. Marie Railway Co.

### 7% Equipment Trust Gold Notes, Series "H"

Total issue \$2,500,000, maturing \$250,000 annually June 1, 1921, to June 1, 1930, inclusive. Interest payable in New York, June 1 and December 1. Notes in Coupon form of \$1,000 each.

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The direct obligation of the Minneapolis, St. Paul & Sault Ste. Marie Railway Co., issued against equipment whose cash contract cost is over 33 1-3% in excess of the amount of the Notes.

Title to the equipment is held in trust for the noteholders until the entire equipment issue has been paid.

The Minneapolis, St. Paul & Sault Ste. Marie Railway has paid dividends on its two issues of capital stock since 1903 and is now paying 7% annually on both its outstanding \$12,603,400 preferred, and \$25,206,800 common stocks.

The Canadian Pacific Railway owns a majority of the Company's stock.

We Offer the Above Notes Subject to the Approval  
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Price—Par and interest for all maturities

## Wm. A. Read & Co.

Nassau and Cedar Streets  
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This advertisement appears as a matter of record, all of the Notes having been sold.

## Financial

New (Closed) Issue

\$2,000,000

**Thatcher Manufacturing Company****Ten-Year 7% Convertible Sinking Fund Mortgage Gold Bonds**

Dated April 1, 1920

Due April 1, 1930

The Company will agree to pay interest without deduction for any Federal Income Tax not in excess of 2% which it may lawfully pay at the source.

**Stock Purchase Warrants:** The Bonds will carry detachable warrants entitling the holder to purchase Common Stock at \$40 per share at the rate of 25 shares of Common Stock for each \$1,000 par value of Bonds, at any time prior to and including April 1, 1922.

**Conversion Privilege:** The Bonds will be convertible after April 1, 1922, and until maturity into 8% Cumulative Preferred Stock of the Company, par for par, or when accompanied by warrants into Common Stock at \$40 a share at any time after April 1, 1922, and to and including April 1, 1925, and thereafter at \$50 a share, or in each case until their earlier redemption, with adjustment of interest and dividends in respect to Preferred Stock to date of conversion.

The following information is summarized from a letter signed by F. E. Baldwin, Esq., President:

**Business:** The Company, originally incorporated in 1889, has been for years the largest manufacturer of milk bottles in the United States. Its production will be about 90% of the total number manufactured in the country. The Company's plants will have a capacity of 150,000,000 milk bottles per year. With the installation of one more furnace, the annual production of 75,000,000 condiment and other bottles will be increased to 115,000,000.

**Security:** Secured by a Closed Mortgage upon all the property of the Company and upon all of the Common Stock of the Woodbury Glass Company, subject only to \$149,500 mortgage on a portion of the property which is not callable.

**Assets:** As of December 31, 1919, after reserve for depreciation, not including any intangible assets and including the Common Stock of the Woodbury Glass Company, net assets were equal to over twice total bonded indebtedness to be outstanding.

**Earnings:** Net earnings available for Bond Interest for year ended December 31, 1919, after reserve for depreciation, were over three and three quarter times annual interest charges on all bonds to be outstanding. It is estimated that earnings for the current year, after deducting Federal Taxes and depreciation, and after providing for interest and preferred dividend, will equal \$8 per share on the Common Stock about to be issued.

**Sinking Fund:** A graduated annual Sinking Fund will retire at not exceeding 105 and accrued interest over half of this issue by maturity.

When, as and if issued and received,

Price 95 and accrued interest

To yield about 7 $\frac{3}{4}$ %

Trust receipts of Guaranty Trust Company of New York will be issued, exchangeable for bonds, when, as and if received from the Company.

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37 Wall Street, New York

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## Financial

**\$2,000,000****BEECH-NUT PACKING COMPANY****Two to Five Years Seven Per Cent. Gold Notes**

Dated May 1, 1920

Due May 1, 1922 to 1925

Denominations \$1,000 and \$500, registerable as to principal

Interest payable May 1st and November 1st at Liberty National Bank, New York

Callable at any time on sixty days notice at 101 and interest

*We summarize from the letter of Bartlett Arkell, President, copies of which may be had on request:*

The Company has been engaged for over twenty years in the manufacture and sale of bacon, ham and other food products. It operates three main plants, two in Canajoharie and one in Rochester, New York. The buildings are modern and of standard construction.

Upon the completion of this financing these notes will constitute the only indebtedness of the Company except for current accounts payable and reserves for taxes.

Net assets after deducting all indebtedness except these notes are 4.20 times the amount of this issue and net quick assets are 2.36 times the amount. The Company agrees to maintain net quick assets at all times of 150 per cent. of the amount of this issue.

The net earnings applicable to interest for the past six years have averaged \$1,026,000, or over seven times the interest charges on these notes.

The Company agrees that no other indebtedness except purchase money mortgages and pledges for temporary loans will be created during the life of this issue.

*We offer these notes when, as and if issued and received by us, as follows:*

\$500,000 due May 1, 1922 @ 98.90 and interest

500,000 due May 1, 1923 @ 98.40 and interest

500,000 due May 1, 1924 @ 98 and interest

500,000 due May 1, 1925 @ 97.50 and interest

**to yield approximately 7.60 per Cent.****KIDDER, PEABODY & Co.**115 Devonshire Street  
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## CLEARINGS FOR APRIL, SINCE JANUARY 1, AND FOR WEEK ENDING MAY 1

Clearings at—	April			Four Months.			Week ending May 1.				
	1920.	1919.	Inc. or Dec.	1920.	1919.	Inc. or Dec.	1920.	1919.	Inc. or Dec.	1918.	1917.
New York	21,800,444,095	17,333,067,423	+25.8	85,487,481,485	65,874,936,438	+29.8	5,026,078,958	4,253,834,247	+18.2	3,404,071,335	3,788,322,176
Philadelphia	2,121,579,073	1,636,320,067	+29.7	8,208,239,147	6,655,570,739	+23.3	480,451,789	393,966,879	+16.9	379,378,896	354,494,010
Pittsburgh	712,294,193	554,462,368	+28.5	2,791,149,404	2,225,199,565	+25.4	181,183,829	132,310,399	+21.8	108,744,272	78,395,791
Baltimore	393,131,859	315,959,751	+24.4	1,646,061,129	1,310,161,500	+18.0	84,828,829	73,808,575	+14.9	69,892,565	57,825,667
Buffalo	193,682,666	98,960,965	+95.7	735,616,813	370,564,426	+98.5	42,595,612	22,808,575	+86.8	24,455,510	17,898,007
Washington	74,765,860	66,758,331	+12.0	294,565,820	253,684,049	+16.1	16,342,325	15,304,804	+6.8	14,210,238	12,424,866
Washy	21,265,832	19,553,698	+8.8	86,114,686	79,291,768	+8.6	6,500,000	6,361,996	+2.2	4,862,208	5,689,186
Rochester	51,807,833	36,695,202	+41.4	195,432,359	139,699,807	+39.9	10,682,748	8,291,880	+28.8	8,047,680	7,766,283
Syracuse	22,859,364	17,816,084	+28.3	85,597,600	65,091,465	+31.5	4,526,459	4,217,370	+7.3	3,800,000	4,195,532
Reading	17,568,433	12,054,291	+44.1	56,021,395	41,114,964	+36.3	5,082,404	4,188,067	+21.3	5,153,596	5,241,385
Wilmington	16,000,000	15,926,818	+0.5	66,126,200	58,026,835	+14.0	3,327,143	3,471,989	-4.3	3,244,466	3,020,196
Wilkes-Barre	12,195,623	9,785,375	+24.6	48,031,897	38,507,387	+24.7	2,625,178	2,400,000	+9.4	2,296,675	2,087,451
Greensburg	27,260,302	16,046,953	+69.9	92,930,548	67,619,872	+37.4	6,002,635	3,675,735	+63.3	4,120,086	3,884,379
Wheeling	19,629,704	14,421,567	+36.1	66,869,788	52,023,874	+28.6	1,800,000	1,437,889	+25.2	1,535,258	1,248,622
Harrisburg	19,629,704	14,421,567	+36.1	66,869,788	52,023,874	+28.6	1,800,000	1,437,889	+25.2	1,535,258	1,248,622
York	8,316,323	6,513,614	+27.7	27,650,593	24,264,704	+13.5	3,713,772	2,843,522	+30.6	2,702,968	3,514,151
Trenton	16,157,218	12,864,731	+30.7	59,941,469	44,264,704	+34.2	2,493,307	2,230,190	+11.6	2,100,000	2,324,019
Lancaster	21,421,182	16,750,805	+27.9	59,850,321	45,114,159	+32.7	2,575,427	2,230,190	+15.5	2,300,000	1,036,800
Erle	12,117,075	8,775,316	+38.1	43,482,764	33,340,265	+30.4	1,777,400	1,600,300	+11.1	1,200,000	1,036,800
Philadelphia	5,809,700	4,117,000	+40.9	20,783,600	14,468,544	+43.6	1,656,361	1,150,000	+44.0	1,200,000	1,036,800
Greensburg	2,433,213	4,132,592	-35.3	21,092,786	16,788,296	+25.1	1,670,932	1,445,185	+15.6	1,462,096	1,410,495
Chester	6,966,628	6,054,758	+15.1	15,704,695	23,634,756	-15.8	1,176,140	911,222	+28.7	828,748	753,238
Altoona	4,268,579	3,835,454	+11.3	14,130,982	11,567,636	+22.2	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
Norristown	3,950,789	3,368,780	+17.3	14,130,982	11,567,636	+22.2	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
Beaver County, Pa.	3,571,614	2,809,729	+27.1	14,130,982	11,567,636	+22.2	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
Frederick	3,571,614	2,809,729	+27.1	14,130,982	11,567,636	+22.2	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
Franklin	3,621,940	2,442,245	+48.3	12,491,845	8,526,535	+46.5	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
Montclair	2,433,213	1,428,766	+72.4	8,711,277	6,152,259	+41.6	628,190	420,584	+49.5	351,699	481,440
Oranges	4,077,170	2,937,559	+38.8	12,265,084	11,807,240	+28.8	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
Hagerstown	4,335,290	3,433,150	+26.2	13,788,581	10,737,006	+28.4	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
<b>Total Middle</b>	<b>25,614,013,548</b>	<b>20,247,193,584</b>	<b>+26.5</b>	<b>100,210,284,490</b>	<b>77,580,037,588</b>	<b>+29.2</b>	<b>5,849,916,526</b>	<b>4,940,904,504</b>	<b>+18.4</b>	<b>4,049,895,284</b>	<b>4,339,518,242</b>
Boston	1,651,200,318	1,259,487,564	+31.1	6,465,382,079	5,124,881,197	+26.2	361,402,177	302,117,553	+19.8	291,349,681	254,365,978
Providence	5,952,300	4,314,000	+38.4	21,545,700	16,987,200	+26.9	10,896,700	10,410,300	+4.7	12,553,900	10,830,700
Hartford	46,215,920	38,876,387	+18.9	173,600,151	133,311,502	+30.2	9,993,244	9,810,868	+1.9	9,169,537	9,175,435
New Haven	27,102,789	25,276,840	+7.2	109,108,152	82,139,367	+32.8	6,000,000	5,299,010	+13.2	5,627,882	5,384,046
Springfield	22,138,793	16,158,990	+37.0	87,028,748	62,139,367	+40.1	5,155,203	3,781,754	+36.3	4,110,306	4,064,352
Portland	11,500,000	10,202,136	+12.7	47,525,255	40,341,385	+17.8	2,700,000	2,532,764	+6.6	3,000,000	3,441,603
Worcester	20,214,563	14,093,064	+43.4	76,467,350	56,182,869	+35.1	4,146,918	3,095,950	+33.9	3,710,553	3,411,603
Fall River	12,317,342	7,754,736	+58.8	47,628,450	29,071,794	+63.8	2,255,871	2,412,752	-6.5	2,449,172	2,122,411
New Bedford	2,433,213	6,631,688	-42.2	37,544,682	28,704,304	+30.8	1,984,763	1,690,100	+17.4	2,172,248	1,768,032
Lowell	6,265,758	5,139,059	+21.2	21,737,455	16,898,796	+28.7	1,111,318	1,040,870	+6.8	1,300,000	1,229,422
Holyoke	4,241,020	2,945,693	+44.0	16,674,674	11,873,608	+39.1	900,000	660,926	+36.2	935,602	1,077,833
Bangor	4,044,922	3,842,070	+5.2	14,253,403	11,385,307	+25.2	770,000	682,081	+13.2	812,055	738,765
Waterbury	8,786,500	6,437,400	+36.5	31,756,600	27,255,700	+16.5	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
Stamford	2,200,000	2,055,980	+7.1	8,833,963	8,331,154	+6.0	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
<b>Total New England</b>	<b>1,885,600,588</b>	<b>1,440,847,652</b>	<b>+30.9</b>	<b>7,378,673,692</b>	<b>5,810,730,095</b>	<b>+27.0</b>	<b>407,316,284</b>	<b>343,484,928</b>	<b>+18.6</b>	<b>337,180,736</b>	<b>297,478,577</b>
Chicago	2,699,613,252	2,270,257,507	+18.9	11,148,789,716	8,843,958,800	+26.1	628,990,042	573,224,200	+9.7	544,544,346	678,807,459
Cincinnati	297,075,948	230,087,718	+28.3	1,203,858,009	992,708,117	+21.3	62,976,634	52,976,868	+20.8	58,587,499	58,181,491
Cleveland	593,621,295	398,142,422	+49.1	2,230,414,936	1,575,387,797	+41.6	118,608,270	85,982,115	+38.0	73,839,391	68,454,166
Detroit	540,378,970	318,961,266	+69.4	2,013,293,966	1,226,635,874	+64.2	108,333,359	76,000,000	+42.5	58,705,870	56,962,644
Milwaukee	148,520,366	125,644,471	+18.2	579,942,060	502,581,271	+15.4	35,000,000	31,432,243	+11.4	27,779,743	27,728,490
Indianapolis	72,317,000	62,165,000	+21.5	315,354,000	236,606,000	+33.3	16,799,000	14,772,000	+13.7	14,038,000	14,565,825
Columbus	70,549,490	53,995,930	+30.7	267,301,187	193,562,800	+37.0	12,076,300	11,436,000	+5.6	9,971,000	10,184,100
Peoria	24,414,557	24,411,033	+0.1	90,866,707	91,609,672	-0.8	14,841,710	13,073,116	+13.6	9,976,507	10,322,500
Grand Rapids	33,242,363	20,922,312	+58.9	121,933,891	80,729,170	+51.0	7,048,509	5,066,100	+39.1	5,209,875	5,000,000
Dayton	23,167,290	16,255,811	+42.5	90,792,172	66,822,680	+36.1	4,217,133	3,628,607	+16.2	4,106,103	3,516,274
Evansville	24,027,812	17,421,810	+37.9	90,712,798	66,389,253	+36.6	5,333,301	4,295,590	+24.2	3,750,206	3,035,276
Springfield, Ill.	12,921,066	11,223,928	+15.1	49,198,723	39,196,061	+25.5	2,408,334	2,894,256	-16.8	2,743,310	2,054,188
Fort Wayne	8,920,868	5,137,717	+73.2	32,737,371	22,737,371	+44.0	2,080,142	1,588,937	+31.0	1,358,876	1,410,250
Rockford	12,282,677	9,236,827	+33.0	46,809,893	34,034,829	+37.5	2,763,470	2,143,869	+28.9	2,121,437	1,542,936
Youngstown	20,061,257	17,450,229	+15.0	84,795,527	70,343,988	+20.5	3,724,460	4,472,472	-19.9	4,000,000	3,831,450
Lexington	7,325,831	6,406,247	+14.3	30,256,507	47,279,714	-27.4	1,430,000	1,300,000	+10.0	1,000,000	1,000,000
Akron	57,637,000	36,193,900	+59.2	207,445,000	119,869,000	+73.1	11,223,000	7,754,000	+44.7	4,795,000	5,192,000
Canton	26,098,284	16,575,790	+57.4	93,441,467	50,315,691	+85.7	4,577,411	3,193,001	+43.3	2,968,086	3,752,925
Bloomington	8,399,794	8,399,794	+0.0	39,636,164	30,107,507	+31.6	1,687,095	1,093,769	+53.5	1,632,119	1,915,357
Quincy	7,899,140	7,899,140	+0.0	32,412,381	27,836,209	+16.8	1,487,830	1,071,045	+38.6	1,625,438	1,276,551
Springfield, Ohio	7,656,458	5,859,733	+30.7	33,353,946	23,662,888	+41.0	1,719,220	1,173,809	+46.5	1,167,525	1,104,099
Decatur	6,731,567	5,483,933	+22.8	23,867,731	19,941,945	+44.8	1,389,099	1,173,809	+18.0	1,077,833	1,077,833
Mansfield	7,799,358	5,927,721	+31.6	28,472,543	19,990,556	+42.4	1,572,402	1,180,082	+33.2	961,492	1,016,655
Jackson	7,000,000	5,442,647	+28.6	29,569,320	20,465,432	+44.4	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
South Bend	9,422,985	5,317,909	+77.2	32,367,773	17,743,909	+82.4	1,931,710	1,133,662	+70.4	1,186,839	1,199,002
Danville	4,899,794	3,127,357	+55.4	16,833,473	11,955,						



### THE FINANCIAL SITUATION.

On a succeeding page (page 1924) we print a letter which we have received from the Assistant Treasurer at Cincinnati, voicing objection to the proposed abolition of the Sub-Treasuries at Boston, New York, Philadelphia, Baltimore, New Orleans, St. Louis, San Francisco, Cincinnati and Chicago, and the turning over of their duties and functions to the Federal Reserve banks. The proposition is carried as a rider to the Legislative, Executive and Judicial Appropriation Bill, and at last accounts the conferees of both Houses of Congress had agreed to it. We wish to voice our own objection to the measure.

The Federal Reserve authorities have from the first been in favor of taking over the Sub-Treasuries and have been actively engaged in furthering the movement. We feel very strongly that this is no time for adding to the powers of these institutions. The Reserve banks themselves are on trial, as every one knows. They are passing through a period of acute strain, and it remains to be seen how they are going to stand the test. As our correspondent points out, the functions still remaining to the Sub-Treasuries are chiefly Government functions. Not only does there seem no sound reason for transferring these functions to the Reserve banks, but, on the contrary, there appear to be very good grounds for thinking it should not be done at all—certainly not at this period when the whole world is facing a credit situation such as has never before been witnessed. The Federal Reserve banks have all they can do and should do in attending to their banking problems, which are such as would tax the wit and ingenuity of mortals endowed with superhuman wisdom.

It is quite possible that during the troublous times with which all the nations of the world are confronted there may come moments when misgivings will arise as to whether the Reserve banks, on which the credit structure of the entire globe in a measure rests, may not bend under the pressure which they will be called upon to bear. These misgivings should not be allowed to extend to the Government itself, which might happen if the Reserve banks took over all the financial functions now independently performed by the Sub-treasuries.

Whatever the banking strain, the public treasury should in no way be associated with it. The provisions of the repealing clause would allow even the Government trust funds to be transferred to the Reserve banks. There should be no commingling of this kind. Not only should these trust funds remain in the custody of Government agencies, but the U. S. Treasury should at all times have some independent cash. This does not mean that it should lock up in Treasury vaults moneys that of right belong in the channels of trade, but it does mean that the Treasury should not be altogether dependent for its current cash on the banks even the most powerful on Earth. When the world gets back to normal conditions, it will be time enough to consider whether possibly the Reserve banks cannot take over some of the work still performed by the Sub-treasuries. For the present, it will be best to let well enough alone.

Our compilations of bank clearings continue to reflect marked general activity in the mercantile and industrial affairs of the various sections of the United States, even though in a few localities in the West, and to a lesser extent in the South, evidence is dis-

cernible of some slowing up in business from the level of earlier months. The higher prices ruling for almost all commodities have been, of course, an important factor in the increase in clearings over 1919, and the inclusion within the last few months of the operations of Federal Reserve banks or their branches at several points—Minneapolis, St. Paul, Dallas, Houston, Memphis, Little Rock and Nashville for example—has served to swell the totals for those cities inordinately, thus contributing largely to the augmentation of the aggregate. But the volume of business passing has been large enough to account for a considerable margin of increase in bank exchanges over a year ago after allowing for these special contributing factors. In fact, conspicuous prosperity seems to be so universal among those whose purchasing power was quite limited only a short time ago, that price is merely a secondary consideration, especially in the face of further wage advances in various lines. It is therefore not surprising that the looked-for trend toward a lower level of values for the necessities of life is yet to appear. Locally, it is true, some efforts in that direction have been started by large department stores, but the merchandise they offer has more to do with the adornment of the person than the sustaining of life.

The latest monthly total of clearings (that for April) embraces 178 cities of which only 6 fail to record increases over the month a year ago, and all but 9 establish high records for the particular period covered. Furthermore, new high-water marks for any monthly period continue to be a feature of the exhibits, the places thus distinguished in April including Cleveland, Akron and seven other cities in the Middle West; two in New England, ten in the Middle group; one on the Pacific Coast and Minneapolis, St. Paul and two others in the "Other Western" division. Moreover, at many points the percentages of increase are phenomenally heavy, running above 60% in 36 instances with cities of such prominence as Minneapolis, St. Paul, Buffalo, Detroit, Houston, Savannah, Los Angeles, Chattanooga, Little Rock and Canton included in the list.

The aggregate of clearings for April 1920 at the 178 cities our compilation covers is \$39,584,969,015 which contrasts with \$30,610,755,295 for 1919, registering, therefore, an increase of 29.3%, while compared with the same month of 1918 the gain reaches 49.5%. For the four months of the current calendar year the total at \$155,661,258,131, beside being a high record for the period by 30.9%, exceeding 1919 to that extent, runs ahead of 1918 by 53.7%, and is but little below the sum of the clearings for any full year prior to 1915. At New York the gain over 1919 for the month is 25.8%, and for the four months 29.8%, and the results of two years ago are exceeded by 54.7% and 55.7% respectively. Outside of this city the April 1920 aggregate is 34% greater than that of last year and the four months' total shows a gain of 32.2%. Comparison with 1918 discloses gains of 43.5% and 55.4%. Analyzed by groups, the aggregates for the period since January 1 are in all sections noticeably heavier than a year ago. New England exhibits an expansion of 27%, the Middle division, exclusive of New York City, 25.7%; the Middle West, 31.6%; the Pacific Slope, 44.1%; the "Other Western," 35.9%, and the South, 36.1%.

Stock dealings on the New York Stock Exchange in April were of only slightly smaller volume than in

March and a little less than in the corresponding month of 1919—which furnished the heaviest aggregate of transactions noted in any month since December, 1916—but very decidedly in excess of those for the same period in 1918. Sales totaled 28,447,239 shares against 28,587,431 a year ago and 7,404,174 shares in 1918. For the four months of 1920 the operations reached 99,201,457 shares against but 74,060,168 shares and 40,858,087 shares, respectively. The record total for the four months was 120,967,731 shares in 1901. Bond dealings were on a larger scale than in March, with activity most noticeable, however, in Liberty bond issues, in which the transactions were very heavy—over 269 million dollars, par value. In all \$341,559,800 bonds were traded in, against \$297,874,700 a year ago and \$127,549,000 in 1918. For the four months the bond sales reached 1,329 million dollars par value (including 1,017 millions Liberty issues) against 1,073 millions last year and 439 millions two years ago. Boston's share transactions for the month were 693,481 shares, against 544,667 shares last year, with the four months' aggregate 2,449,906 shares, against 1,707,389 shares. Chicago's dealings for the month totaled 678,954 shares, against 631,907 shares and for the four months 2,778,405 shares, against 1,450,111 shares.

At all points in Canada the clearings for April ran well ahead of those for the period in 1919, and in several instances the augmentation was very heavy. This is particularly true of Toronto, Hamilton, Ottawa, Quebec, London and a number of smaller cities in the Eastern Provinces and of Vancouver, Calgary, Edmonton, Lethbridge and New Westminster in the West. Altogether, 27 cities have furnished returns, and in the combined aggregate for the month a gain of 30.4% over 1919 is exhibited, while contrasted with 1918 there is an improvement of 40%. For the four months the gain over 1919 is 36.9%, and over 1918 reaches 57.6%. The volume of dealings on the Montreal Stock Exchange continued full, sales of 291,928 shares in April, 1920, comparing with 209,168 shares a year earlier, and the four months' totals are 1,528,155 shares and 598,050 shares respectively.

The record of mercantile insolvencies still remains small. With the general mercantile and industrial situation continuing satisfactory in the country as a whole, and the margin for profit in most lines well above normal, little or nothing of an adverse nature has developed recently. It is true that in some sections of the United States insolvencies have shown a tendency toward increase in number, but for the whole country the exhibit in that respect is still very favorable. In fact, for the latest month (April) the number of defaults, while larger than for February, was less than for the other elapsed months of 1920, and the smallest ever recorded for the particular period covered, falling by a fair margin below April of 1919, the low record for any month up to that time in recent years. The liabilities, too, were of strictly moderate proportions in manufacturing and trading lines, though showing considerable expansion in the brokers, agents, &c., division, thus swelling the aggregate failed indebtedness for April beyond that of any monthly total since March of last year.

For April this year the number of mercantile defaults, according to Messrs. R. G. Dun & Co.,

was only 504, but involved \$13,224,135 of indebtedness, whereas in the corresponding period of the preceding year 543 insolvencies accounted for \$11,450,462 of liabilities and 905 casualties in 1918 covered \$14,271,849. The manufacturing division, as already stated, makes an especially fine exhibit, all but four of the fifteen lines in the group showing contraction from the totals of liabilities reported in 1919, with the shrinkage particularly marked in such leading branches as iron, machinery and lumber. Altogether manufacturing debts for the month were only \$2,601,053, or very much below the average of recent times, and contrasting with \$6,107,171 in 1919 and \$7,067,268 in 1918. What is true of manufacturers applies also but in lesser degree to traders. At \$3,276,615 comparison is with a total of debts a year ago of only \$3,309,861, or the smallest in any preceding monthly period back to March 1907. Among brokers, agents, &c., on the other hand, not only is there to be noted an increase in the number of failures as compared with a year ago, but the volume of debts at \$7,346,467 is the heaviest since August of 1914, when the failures of four brokerage firms connected with the New York Cotton Exchange greatly swelled the total of indebtedness.

For the four months of 1920 the total number of insolvencies is only 2,131 and the amount of liabilities \$42,926,634, against 2,447 failures for \$47,271,514 last year, 4,205 for \$64,052,149 in 1918 and 5,006 for \$64,894,312 for 1917. For this more extended period, as for April, the manufacturing exhibit is decidedly satisfactory, the reported indebtedness reaching a total of only \$12,476,597, against \$21,346,366 in 1919 and \$26,055,986 in 1918. Traders, also, make a good showing, liabilities of \$12,770,028 comparing with \$15,702,272 and \$24,204,765, but among brokers, agents, &c., the debts are \$17,680,009, against \$10,222,876 last year.

May Day in Europe, as in the United States, passed off without the serious labor and political developments that were feared. Cable advices from London Sunday morning stated that it was estimated that "8,000,000 workers participated in Great Britain's observance of May Day by taking the day off, parading and speechmaking." This was diversion of a harmless character, but in the aggregate the loss of the one day—or even a half day, as was the case in some lines—was no small item in Great Britain's production, at a time when production is of special importance. The advices added that "there were no interruptions to the nation's essential public services." The celebration in Glasgow was said to have been "on an unprecedented scale." According to the accounts of the affair, "a demonstration was held in Glasgow Green, at which a crowd of 40,000 persons adopted a resolution calling for the establishment of a co-operative commonwealth." The most unfavorable feature of the scheme was that "the resolution embodies fraternal greetings to Soviet Russia"—a queer mixing of peoples, canny Scotchmen and Russian Soviets. It was stated, furthermore, that "the resolution proclaimed the right of the Irish people to choose their own form of Government." The assertion was made without reservation—mild or otherwise—in the London cablegrams that "the move to impede railway traffic through the 'work to the rules' policy proclaimed by the London and Liverpool railway men's



locals, proved a fiasco, not a single instance of a hold-up due to this attempt to enforce the workers' demand for increased wages, unauthorized by the executives of the unions, being reported." A spectacular feature of the day's events was "the inauguration of the overalls-wearing campaign by the Middle Class Union, similar to that in the United States." It seems that the movement was started by the officials of the union appearing at their offices a week ago this morning "garbed in denim, and by issuing appeals to the members of the union to emulate their example."

In France the happenings were of a more serious character. Even there, the day passed with fewer untoward events than had been feared. From Paris came the announcement Sunday morning that "May Day passed with a series of small riots and disorders, in which at least three persons, one a woman, were killed and many wounded." These figures were revised somewhat in subsequent dispatches, the dead remaining at three and the wounded being placed at 102. The arrests were said to have numbered 103. That there was not greater disorder probably was due to the unusual precautionary steps taken by the National Government and by the authorities of individual municipalities and towns. The railroad men went out as they had threatened to do, but the day passed, "without the declaration of a nationwide general strike, which the union workers expected from the General Federation of Labor." The leaders of the railway workers claimed Saturday evening that their strike already was "50% effective." Representatives of the Government asserted at the same time that operations were not far from "normal on certain lines, the most important lines moving in and out of Paris." According to the leaders of the men, their strike was to be continued after May Day "to enforce nationalization." Monday morning's advices from Paris relative to the railroad strike were less encouraging. The admission was made that "it has thus far hindered traffic on four of the five big systems—the Eastern, Northern, Orleans and the Paris, Lyons and Mediterranean." That admission or assertion was made by the Paris correspondent of the Associated Press. On the other hand, he quoted Yves le Trocquer, Minister of Public Works, as saying that "the strike is a complete failure." The Minister was reported to have added that "he had foreseen the conflict and that as a result the railways, public services, and industries had been provided with greater supplies of coal than they had had at any time since the signing of the armistice." The correspondent said, however, that "services on all lines were curtailed," and that "the Paris forces were operated about 50%, except the Lazare State System which canceled all trains from the Capital." Motor trucks were requisitioned by the Government and used to good advantage. It was added that "technical students and volunteers who were organized by the Government during the strike last February were already replacing many of the strikers." There appeared to be less apprehension about the results of the railroad strike as an independent movement than about the effect upon the whole situation of the expected going out of the dockmen and miners. Still, in one cablegram from the French Capital, Monday morning, the assertion was made by the correspondent, that, "the French Government is facing the prospect of a complete tie-up of national transportation with absolute equanimity, as it is

known that the mass of the French public is opposed to any strike movement which would interfere with the supplying of necessary commodities." The statement was made that "the secretary of the miners' union in the Loire Department, has asked the men not to obey the strike order."

The miners and dockmen went out on schedule time as a part of a general movement, as it was stated, "to force nationalization of the railroads and other basic industries." The earliest reports from Havre and Bordeaux said that shipping in those ports was "at a standstill." Only foreign companies were reported to be working at Marseilles, while at Dunkirk some of the regular dockmen were still on their jobs. At Albi, Carmaux, Blanzay, Montceau-les-Mines and Decazeville, the miners "did not report to the collieries, while in the Pas de Calaise Department and in other districts the men are considering the strike order and may walk out to-morrow" (Monday). The French Government pursued an aggressive policy from the start in the handling of this latest labor outbreak, as it did in the railroad strike last February. It was recorded in one Paris cablegram that "sentences running to 8 months in prison were given to 30 persons arrested as participants in the May Day demonstrations." In spite of the going out of the dockmen and miners, the claim was made in Paris Monday evening that "the situation at the railroad stations, created by the strike, was much improved," and it was added that "the current opinion expressed was that the strike would prove a failure." Minister of Public Works Le Trocquer reported at a meeting of the Cabinet earlier in the day that "all the essential public services had easily been kept functioning." He also asserted that "workers throughout France will be protected by the Government against aggression by strikers." The dispatches from Paris Tuesday evening indicated that the strike actually was proving a failure, as it was claimed that "the volunteer recruits exceed the new strikers." The railroad officials took the same position as was taken by the managers of the railroads in the United States as a result of the recent "outlaw" strike of switchmen, trainmen, &c. The French authorities issued a statement in which they said that they would dismiss from service all strikers who did not return to work on Tuesday. It was admitted in the cablegrams from Paris that evening that "the strike of miners and dockers is spreading."

In subsequent dispatches from the French capital it was stated that the men had been given until Thursday of this week to return to work. Wednesday morning the reports on the strike situation contained the statement that "the northern mine fields, which furnish 27,000 of the 40,000 tons of coal mined in France daily, are continuing at work." Although it was set forth that the strike of the dockers and seamen was not a general one, the admission was made that "it is more complete than that of the miners and railway men." A hopeful sign was "the hesitation of the men in other industries to join in the movement," and the opinion was expressed that "it is bound to have its effect sooner or later." In a special cablegram from Paris to the "Sun and New York Herald," the statement was made that "the French Government has taken the gauge of battle offered by the General Confederation of Labor and has ordered the arrest of numerous strike leaders who are accused of plotting against the security of the

State." Among those arrested at the start was M. Monitte, editor of "Labor Life," a weekly publication. He was reported to "have established a liaison with Lenine and Trotzky by using Paul R. de Mott, an American correspondent from Paterson, N. J., who was killed recently while attempting to escape, after being arrested with the Red troops in the Ruhr Valley. His arrest was said to have had "a sobering influence on the Central Labor authorities." Word came Thursday evening of the arrest in Paris earlier in the day of M. Lorient, former Treasurer of the Socialist Party, "by Government agents, in their round-up of agitators in the general strike of dock, railway and mine workers." The dispatch further said that "the Government claimed that Lorient had been appointed by Nikolai Lenine, Bolshevist Premier in Russia, as representative of the Soviet in the Occident."

According to Paris advices Thursday morning the opinion was expressed that "the strike of railroad workers and miners probably will not last another twenty-four hours, although greater difficulty is expected in inducing the metal workers and the dock laborers to return to work." At that time all the principal ports were still tied up and perishable goods were being unloaded from some vessels by volunteers.

Strikes were reported in several other countries on the Continent, but they did not appear to be of a particularly serious character, or very much out of the ordinary. From Seville, Spain, came the report early in the week of a strike of agricultural laborers in two of the provinces, for increased wages. The movement was reported to be spreading and the authorities were said to fear that "the strike may become general." Saragossa, Spain, reported that the general strike at that centre and at Linareu was still in progress. The miners in the region of Almeria, Spain, went on strike last Monday.

Last evening's cablegrams from Rome indicated that the labor situation at various points in Italy was getting worse. For instance, it was said that "Anarchists have gained the upper hand in several districts in Italy, especially in Leghorn, where the extremists invaded the Chamber of Labor and committed acts of violence." The strike of peasants in the Province of Verona was reported to be getting "grave." Strikers to the number of 6,000 were claimed to have "invaded fields, setting fire to standing crops."

It became known definitely through an Associated Press cablegram from Paris yesterday morning that on Wednesday the metal workers in the Paris district had joined the striking railroad employees, miners and dockers and that this development was "coupled with the renewed threat of a possible general strike in all industries." This development was said also to have "caused the Government to hasten its promised plan of reorganization of the railroads, as forecast in the Chamber of Deputies on Feb. 24 last." The belief was said to have been entertained in Paris yesterday that "this plan, giving control of the transportation systems to a committee representing all interests, will furnish the probable basis for a settlement of the strike." The project is said to provide, furthermore, "for a controlling council representing the technical and administrative personnel of the railroads, the workmen, chambers of commerce, Parliament and the Government." "This council,"

it was said, "would have authority to order improvements, and, if necessary, have the work done at the expense of the companies." Continuing to outline the plan, the correspondent said that "the council's control would cover operation of the roads and unification of operating methods, such as time-tables and standardization of rolling stock and signals, and in general its authority would be absolute." It is expected that "money for financing improvements will be found through the Government's guarantee of railway bonds, although whether the money should be raised by each company separately or by joint action through the controlling council is said to be not yet determined." It is added that the proposed law is before the companies and it is expected they will have their comments or answers ready soon." Yves le Trocquer, Minister of Public Works, was quoted as saying that "he had requested the leaders of the Federation to confer with him previous to the presentation of the bill in the Chamber." There was thought to be "a possibility that the measure will prove unacceptable to the General Federation of Labor."

The Polish military forces were notably active in the Ukraine pretty much all the week. Last Saturday evening, according to a cablegram from Warsaw, they had broken the resistance of the Bolsheviki in the South Ukraine, and it was even claimed that they had captured Mohilev and were moving southeast along the Dneister River. In an official communique it was claimed that "the Poles have captured 15,000 prisoners, 60 cannon, hundreds of machine guns and 76 locomotives since their offensive began." The further claim was made in the same announcement that "a great amount of food and stores of ammunition and army supplies and a wireless station were taken in the occupation of Czernobyl." Apparently—and naturally—the Germans did not look with favor on this movement. A special Berlin correspondent of the New York "Tribune" cabled that "the advance of the Polish armies under General Pilsudski into the Ukraine is endangering plans of the Monarchists for the overthrow of the Bolshevick Government in that country, according to advices received here."

The following day further progress on the part of the Polish troops was reported. They were said "to have reached the outskirts of Kiev, capital of the Ukraine." A wireless message was received in London from Moscow in which the Soviets of Kiev and Kharkov were reported to have announced their determination to defend the revolution against the Polish aggression," and in which it was also asserted that "a decisive war has been started between the Russians and the Ukrainians and Poles, which will only end by the complete destruction of the Polish squires." A special Paris correspondent of the New York "Times," commenting upon the activities of the Polish military in the Ukraine, declared that "in a whirlwind campaign of less than a week the Poles have inflicted the most serious defeat yet experienced by the Red army." He asserted also that "the real goal of their offensive is Odessa, the most important port of that country," and further observed that "by a clever arrangement, whose main lines doubtless were dictated further west than Warsaw, they are now in a position of protectors of the Ukraine, undefended against the Soviet tyranny." The correspondent was certain that France was really behind the Polish



military movement, and he proceeded substantially as follows to outline what the success of the campaign would mean to France: "Behind Poland stands France, financially exhausted it may be, but possessing huge stores of arms and munitions and possessing too, able and devoted officers to instruct and lead the Polish troops. The worst cause of France's financial weakness is the enormous excess of her imports over exports, and the biggest single import is wheat. That wheat she must buy from countries whose exchange is at an intolerable premium, and that premium ever mounting. If Odessa can be securely held by France's friends, the vast wheat stores of the Ukraine, Europe's granary, would become available to French shippers. Instead of paying in dollars, France would pay in rubles or in Polish money, both far below the French currency."

Warsaw heard on Sunday that the day before the Polish troops actually had occupied Kiev. General Pilsudski, President of the Polish State, was said to have led the troops into the city. The Ukrainians were reported to have rendered substantial assistance in the undertaking. Later advices indicated that the reported capture of Kiev was at least premature. In Monday's communique "the capture by the Poles of the railroad junction 60 kilometers southwest of Kiev" was announced. The fighting all along the front was reported to have been "fierce." It was added that "the Poles and Ukrainians are meeting the most stubborn resistance on the entire front, since their advance began, but they are making headway gradually." Later reports received in Warsaw stated that "the Poles are only 35 to 45 kilometers from Kiev at several places." According to an Associated Press dispatch from Warsaw, "public riots and uprisings among the soldiers are reported to have occurred in Moscow upon receipt of news of the Polish successes." It was added that "the reports say there are increasing demands for a change of Government." As the week draws to a close it is apparent from the European advices that the tug-of-war between the Poles and the Bolsheviks in the Ukraine is still on. In fact, a cablegram from Warsaw yesterday morning stated that "fighting between the Poles and Bolsheviks for possession of Kiev continues day and night. In the entire semi-circle of the Kiev bridgehead the Polish infantry is in contact with the Bolshevik infantry."

Warsaw reported last evening that "Bolshevik troops fighting in the defense of the city of Kiev have strengthened their resistance considerably during the last twenty-four hours." It was added, however, that "the battle for the possession of the city is still raging." The Polish Information Bureau was said to have reported that "the fall of Kiev is an accomplished fact." The report was taken with "some reserve because of earlier unfounded reports that the Bolsheviks had been driven from the capital of the Ukraine."

The advices from both London and Berlin early in the week indicated that conditions in the Ruhr Valley of Germany were getting worse rather than better. It will be recalled that last week the German Government announced that it had reduced its military forces in that district to below the number fixed by the Allies and that the French authorities stated that they would soon withdraw their invading troops. London heard through a wireless message from Berlin that "German State defense troops will

march into the Southern Ruhr district for the protection of public order and industry." In another message from the German capital it was claimed that "the situation in the Ruhr district is grave and a Monarchist movement is feared." A large quantity of arms was said to have been "discovered at Ruegen, an island in the Baltic Sea, in the Province of Pomerania." The statement came from Berlin direct that "probably the German Government will have to revoke its previous decision not to intervene in the territory south of the Ruhr, because the chief burgomaster of Hagen has declared that he can no longer assume responsibility for the maintenance of order." Announcement to this effect was said to have been made in the Prussian Diet by Minister of Interior Severing.

Political conditions in and with respect to Italy were reported as still unstable. "Populo Romano" published a report that "negotiations between Vittorio Scialoja, Italian Foreign Minister, and Anton Trumbitch, Foreign Minister of Jugo-Slavia, looking to the settlement of the Adriatic question, may be broken off." The paper further stated that Signor Scialoja had returned from Lake Maggiore, where he had been in conference with M. Trumbitch and other representatives of Jugo-Slavia, and asserted that representatives of that country had "informed the Italian Minister that they were no longer authorized to negotiate on the Adriatic question on the basis of conversations which have been going on." From Rome came the report also that "a new Cabinet crisis, involving Premier Nitti," was regarded probable. It was believed that "the crisis would come from the attitude of the National Council of the Catholic Party, which has voted against Nitti because of dissatisfaction over his internal and foreign policies." It was said to have been rumored in political circles that "Nitti already has selected Signor Bonomi, Independent Socialist and Minister of War in the present Cabinet, as his successor." Announcement was made in a cablegram from the Italian capital Wednesday morning that Parliament would reopen during the day and that "Premier Nitti for the third time this year will have to face innumerable bitter attacks on the part of Deputies of the various groups." It was added that "there will be no political rest or satisfaction in Italy as long as the Adriatic question remains unsolved." The correspondent stated also that "if Nitti can convince the country that it was absolutely beyond his power, and beyond the power of any one else in his place, to obtain a satisfactory settlement, and that Italy ultimately will get what she wants, he will not fall." Commenting upon "the impending direct negotiations between Italy and Jugo-Slavia relative to the Adriatic question," the "Giornale d'Italia" asserted that "plans for a buffer State about Fiume virtually have been abandoned, owing to the opposition of the Belgrade Government." It was added that "Italy may be given formal sovereignty over Fiume on condition that the port be placed under Jugo-Slav control."

What was known as the International Parliamentary Conference of Commerce was to have been in session at the Luxembourg from May 4 to 7. Unfortunately the Paris cablegrams have not contained much about what took place. There were to have been present more than 200 delegates. In fact, it

was announced early in the week in one Paris dispatch that that number already had arrived and that others were on their way. Some of the countries that were to be represented were Great Britain, Italy, Japan, Belgium, Finland, Poland, Greece, Rumania, China, Brazil and Jugo-Slavia. It was said that "while an official invitation has been sent to the United States to send delegates, no answer has been received." It was added, however, that "Ambassador Wallace has designated a commercial attache of the Embassy to attend the sessions as an observer." The program called for a discussion of "world problems, such as the high cost of living, exchange, commercial transportation, aerial commerce and national debts." It was further explained that "reports on the various subjects have been prepared and will be submitted in the form of resolutions recommending courses of action." It was expected that "the conclusions arrived at will be considered at the Brussels financial conference and be taken as a basis for further discussions." In a Paris cablegram yesterday morning it was claimed that the deliberations were being confined to exchange.

At the beginning of the week it became known through a cablegram from Paris that Premier Millerand will go to London next week to confer with Lloyd George "regarding financial questions." The belief appeared to prevail in Paris that at that time "an agreement will be reached upon the line of action to be adopted concerning Germany with regard to the execution of the reparations clauses of the Treaty of Versailles." According to the understanding in Paris "the Premiers will also determine the basis of the discussions to be held with the German representatives at the Spa meeting on May 25, in line with the understanding reached by the Supreme Council at San Remo that the Allies would not discuss before the Germans any question upon which they were not in accord among themselves." A special Paris correspondent of the New York "Times" in a long cablegram said that "the chief interest of European diplomats is now in the various financial and economic conferences which will take place in the next thirty days." He made the interesting and somewhat striking observation that "the nations of the Old World are beginning to realize that they are making little progress in the work of recovering from the war, and in the forefront of all their troubles is the cloud of economic uncertainty." He said that interest first of all centred in "the meeting in Spa on May 25 when the Allied Chiefs of State will meet the heads of the German Government." Next in importance he said was "the financial conference of the League of Nations, which will take place at Brussels, and it is likely that if the Allies and Germany come to an accord at Spa the Germans will be invited to attend it." He then made reference to the International Parliamentary Commercial Conference in Paris, which already has been outlined. A Paris correspondent of the "Sun and New York Herald" cabled at about the same time that "while it is generally conceded that the meeting of the Allied Premiers in San Remo last month provided the basis for strengthening the Anglo-French alliance, so far as the assurance of indemnity from Germany was concerned, there now appears to be considerable doubt whether this understanding will be as lasting as the outlook indicated at first." He added that "at the San Remo meeting it was tentatively decided to demand of Germany

3,000,000,000 marks gold annually for 30 years, this to be supplemented by annual sums proportionate to Germany's capacity to effect her own restoration." He pointed out that this amount "was far below French estimates, experts contending that not less than 150,000,000,000 marks would begin to compensate France." Although the French were said to be in a frame of mind to "refuse to concede any wisdom in the plan supported by Premiers Lloyd George and Nitti, nevertheless they are willing to spread this latter sum over a long period of time to be determined by the rapidity of Germany's reconstruction economically, without reducing the ultimate total of indemnity."

In a cablegram from Berlin, the statement was made that "the Mueller Cabinet has not yet decided whether to propose to the conference with the Allied representatives at Spa a figure for the total of the reparations Germany shall pay, or to leave this to the Allies." The correspondent added that "certain advisers of the Government consider it better that Germany merely furnish the facts and figures on her economic conditions, while others argue that it will make an impression of greater strength also to draw the conclusions from these figures." From Copenhagen came the report that it had been estimated that "German property and sundry materials to be surrendered under the terms of the Peace Treaty are worth 40,000,000,000 gold marks." Attention was called to the fact that "this is double the sum provided in Article 235 of the Peace Treaty, which calls for payment in gold and commodities during 1919, 1920 and the first four months of 1921, to the value of 20,000,000,000 gold marks." The observation was made that "this indemnity payment will necessarily be in goods." In a Paris cablegram Thursday evening it was asserted that "Allied leaders have decided against allowing German representatives to take part in the coming economic discussions at Spa." The further assertions were made that "the Germans will be present only in the capacity of witnesses. They will be called in and questioned by the Allied Premiers, but will not be allowed to present verbal arguments on the basis of equals." It was added that "the German representatives will be allowed to present their estimate of Germany's ability to pay indemnities." These various statements were said to have been made by the French Foreign Office.

Announcement was made in Berlin advices yesterday morning that "the minimum imports needed by Germany for the year ending July 31 1921 are given in a memorial to the Reparations Commission as follows: Food and fodder, 5,500,000 tons; fertilizer, 300,000 tons; coal, 2,000,000 tons; mineral oils, 550,000 tons; ores and metals, 8,500,000 tons; wood, 2,500,000 tons; raw textiles, 500,000 tons; hides and leather 150,000 tons; miscellaneous, 1,500,000 tons." Attention was called to the fact that "this amounts to 21,500,000 tons as compared with only about 13,000,000 tons in 1913."

According to a cablegram from Madrid on Tuesday "Eduardo Dato, former Premier and Liberal leader, has accepted King Alfonso's invitation to form a new Cabinet. The cablegram contained a list of the names that it was believed would be selected. Apparently a man had been decided upon for every Ministry except that of War. Announcement was made in a dispatch from Madrid Thursday evening



that the new Cabinet had been completed and had taken the oath of office the evening before. Later it was stated, "the Ministerial Council met at the palace under the presidency of King Alfonso." Replying to a brief address of welcome by the King, Senor Dato was reported to have said that "the program of his Cabinet was based on the principle of 'peace and justice.'"

The Irish question we have with us always, but it is to be hoped that some day it will be settled with a fair degree of permanency. A week ago announcement was made in a special London dispatch to the New York "Times" that the day before "Lloyd George buckled down to work on the Irish question with characteristic vigor." It was made known also that so urgent did he regard it that he begged the King to excuse him from an invitation "to pass the week end at Windsor Castle," which already he had accepted. The correspondent said that "both Lord French and Sir Hamar Greenwood, who succeeded Ian MacPherson as Chief Secretary, had been summoned to London," and it was expected that there would be a special Cabinet Council in a day or so. The Prime Minister's efforts to adjust the Irish situation were said to have been well received, but it was added that "in some quarters it is doubted whether the opportunist policy which he is expected to suggest as a way out of the dilemma is likely to have much success." In a subsequent cablegram from the British capital it was said that such a conference was held, at which the prominent Government representatives already mentioned, and some others, were present. They were reported to have "discussed the situation on a basis of three fundamental changes in the Government's policy." The correspondent said that it is understood that "the first change will provide more severe treatment for the perpetrators of actual crimes; the second will grant to the Irish almost the same freedom of speech as in England, and the third will provide official publicity of all happenings in Ireland." He added that "while it is not announced whether these principles have been definitely decided upon, it may be stated that the intention now is that the new Irish officials will attempt to govern along these lines." Following the conference it became known that Lloyd George had been taken ill and had been "ordered by his physicians to remain in bed for a few days, because of what is described as a mild attack of bronchitis and fatigue from his San Remo activities." According to a dispatch from London Thursday evening "Premier Lloyd George will not take cognizance of the message from American Congressmen relative to Ireland." It will be recalled that 88 members of our Congress "informed Lloyd George of their objections to the detention of Irish prisoners without trial." The "Pall Mall Gazette," commenting upon the incident, said "that they do not reproach him with murdering the Lord Mayor of Cork must be set down to the nice sense of international delicacy which distinguishes their species."

According to a cablegram from London yesterday morning, British labor leaders are gradually coming to a realization that by demanding continued advances in wages and concessions in working conditions they are in reality bringing disaster upon themselves. The statement was made that the "Executive of the 'Triple Alliance' of the miners and trans-

port workers, which is now in session in London, has embarked upon a determined effort to break the vicious circle of wages and increases in the cost of living." It was added that members of the Alliance discussed this question and that "they will meet again at an early date to receive the report of the joint body, and their views will be submitted to the Government with a view to the latter taking 'such action as will substantially reduce present high costs.'"

British Treasury returns for the week ending May 1, showed larger revenues and other ingoes than expenditures and disbursements, and the result was an expansion of £282,000 in the Exchequer balance. The week's expenses totaled £21,901,000, against £16,338,000 the previous week, with the total outflow, including repayments of Treasury and Exchequer bills, advances and other items, £110,035,000, in comparison with £137,520,000 for the week ending April 24. Receipts from all sources amounted to £110,317,000, in comparison with £136,936,000 the previous week. Of this total, revenue contributed £24,425,000, against £23,958,000. Other credits yielded £240,000, against £3,561,000. From advances a total of £13,500,000 was received, which compares with £10,500,000 the previous week. Sales of Treasury bills were somewhat smaller than the sum repaid, the total being £71,202,000, against £98,216,000 last week, while repayments were £73,895,000; hence Treasury bills outstanding were expanded to £1,047,648,000, as against £1,050,634,000 last week. Temporary advances are reported at £249,207,000. A week ago they stood at £245,337,000. The total floating debt is now £1,296,855,000, which compares with £1,295,971,000 the week preceding, and £1,477,671,000 a year earlier. The Exchequer balance stands at £4,147,000, which contrasts with £3,865,000 last week.

Official discount rates at leading European centres continue to be quoted at 5% in Berlin, Vienna and Switzerland; 5½% in Belgium and Norway; 6% in Paris, Copenhagen and Petrograd; 7% in London and Sweden, and 4½% in Holland. In London the private bank rate has not been changed from 6¾% @ 6½% for sixty and ninety day bills. Money on call in London is still reported at 4½%. So far as can be learned, no reports of open market discounts at other centres have been received by cable.

The Bank of England reports another small gain in gold holdings, namely £1,906. This brings total stocks to £112,520,217, which compares with £85,927,395 held in the same week of a year ago and £61,365,503 in 1918. Note circulation was heavily expanded, £3,232,000; hence the total reserve fell off £3,230,000 to £19,854,000, as against £27,595,430 in 1919 and £30,132,523 the year previous. The proportion of reserve to liabilities continues to decline and is now at 14.60%, as against 16.44% last week, 17.25% the week previous to that and 19.90% in 1919. An increase of £2,747,000 in public deposits was recorded, but other deposits were reduced £5,962,000, and Government securities declined £4,526,000. Loans, however, (other securities) registered an expansion of £4,526,000. Circulation has reached a total of £111,115,000, which compares with £76,781,965 last year and £49,682,980 in 1918. Loans aggregate £79,690,000. In the corresponding

week of 1919 the total was £99,477,023 and in 1918 £97,410,123. There has been no change in the Bank's official discount rate, which continues to rule at 7%. Clearings through the London banks for the week total £900,374,000 as compared with £743,073,000 a week ago and £490,650,000 last year. We append a tabular statement of comparisons of the different items of the Bank of England statement:

BANK OF ENGLAND'S COMPARATIVE STATEMENT.

	1920. May 5.	1919. May 7.	1918. May 8.	1917. May 9.	1916. May 10.
	£	£	£	£	£
Circulation.....	111,115,000	76,781,965	49,682,980	38,724,155	34,426,130
Public deposits.....	20,649,000	23,691,566	37,573,152	54,172,724	54,833,814
Other deposits.....	116,516,000	115,161,359	128,129,817	119,375,972	83,441,906
Government securities.....	55,309,000	49,452,735	55,871,732	45,049,406	33,187,474
Other securities.....	79,690,000	99,477,023	97,410,123	111,479,848	79,409,760
Reserve notes & coin.....	19,854,000	27,595,430	30,132,523	34,745,456	43,386,597
Coin and bullion.....	112,520,117	85,927,395	61,365,503	55,019,611	59,362,727
Proportion of reserve to liabilities.....	14.60%	19.90%	18.20%	20.01%	31.37%
Bank rate.....	7%	5%	5%	5%	5%

The Bank of France in its weekly statement shows a further small gain in its gold item this week, the increase being 253,925 francs. The Bank's gold holdings now aggregate 5,586,566,125 francs, comparing with 5,547,736,210 francs last year and with 5,380,407,039 francs the year before; of these amounts 1,978,278,416 francs were held abroad in both 1920 and 1919 and 2,037,108,484 francs in 1918. During the week advances were augmented to the extent of 45,350,000 francs, while general deposits gained 43,903,000 francs. Silver, on the other hand, fell off 15,080,000 francs, bills discounted were reduced 280,324,000 francs, and Treasury deposits lost 29,894,000 francs. A further large expansion of 561,745,000 francs in the amount of notes in circulation took place during the week, bringing the total outstanding up to 38,416,149,806 francs. In 1919 and 1918 at this time the amounts were 34,429,666,820 francs and 27,011,835,645 francs, respectively. On July 30 1914, just prior to the outbreak of war, the amount outstanding was only 6,683,184,785 francs. Comparisons of the various items in this week's return with the statement of last week and corresponding dates in 1919 and 1918 are as follows:

BANK OF FRANCE'S COMPARATIVE STATEMENT.

	Changes for Week.		Status as of		
	Inc.	Dec.	May 6 1920.	May 8 1919.	May 9 1918.
Gold Holdings—	Francs.	Francs.	Francs.	Francs.	Francs.
In France.....	253,925	3,608,287,709	3,569,457,794	3,343,298,554	3,343,298,554
Abroad.....	No change.	1,978,278,416	1,978,278,416	2,037,108,484	2,037,108,484
Total.....	253,925	5,586,566,125	5,547,736,210	5,380,407,039	5,380,407,039
Silver.....	Dec. 15,080,000	229,005,495	308,624,395	255,824,688	255,824,688
Bills discounted.....	Dec. 280,324,000	2,097,172,298	894,942,341	1,177,399,179	1,177,399,179
Advances.....	Inc. 45,350,000	1,844,383,561	1,246,304,083	1,011,880,107	1,011,880,107
Note circulation.....	Inc. 561,745,000	38,416,149,806	34,429,666,820	27,011,835,645	27,011,835,645
Treasury deposits.....	Dec. 29,894,000	59,948,872	62,104,506	46,969,452	46,969,452
General deposits.....	Inc. 43,903,000	3,423,369,031	3,438,379,105	3,052,029,553	3,052,029,553

The Imperial Bank of Germany's statement, issued as of April 23, is probably one of the most sensational ever yet put out by that institution. Changes in some of its principal items were so drastic as to give rise to widespread comment, although no satisfying explanation was forthcoming. Some authorities attribute the huge declines partly to the recent political upheaval in Germany and partly to the usual month-end settlements. Bills discounted showed the phenomenal reduction of 4,578,236,000 marks, while deposits declined no less than 4,027,097,000 marks. Gold was reduced 6,000 marks, and total coin and bullion 65,548,000 marks, while circulation was once more expanded, 521,939,000 marks. Treasury certificates increased 161,600,000 marks, notes of other banks expanded 623,000 marks, investments 85,931,000 marks, and other securities 754,775,000

marks. There was a curtailment in advances of 6,995,000 marks, and in liabilities of 142,692,000 marks. The Bank's stock of gold on hand is reported to be 1,091,690,000 marks, which compares with 1,911,840,000 marks last year and 2,343,800,000 marks in 1918. Note circulation has reached the enormous total of 46,228,213,000 marks. In the same week of 1919 it stood at 25,874,800,000 marks and a year earlier at only 11,564,020,000 marks.

Last week's statement of New York associated banks and trust companies, issued on Saturday, about fulfilled anticipations. Surplus was reduced, while loans, owing to new corporate financing which more than offset the heavy stock market liquidation, registered an expansion of \$38,033,000. Net demand deposits gained \$37,737,000 to \$4,185,289,000. This is exclusive of Government deposits of \$83,685,000, which were reduced \$14,761,000 during the week. Net time deposits fell off \$910,000 to \$251,419,000. Cash in own vaults of members of the Federal Reserve Bank was contracted \$5,813,000 to \$87,190,000 (not counted as reserve). Reserves with the Federal Reserve Bank were slightly reduced, \$20,000, to \$562,309,000, but the reserve in own vaults of State banks and trust companies expanded \$235,000 to \$12,487,000, and in other depositories (State banks and trust companies) gained \$15,000 to \$12,104,000. Aggregate reserves did not change much, standing at \$586,900,000, an increase of \$230,000. The loss in surplus was heavier, totaling \$4,712,550, thus bringing the total of excess reserves on hand down to \$30,839,160. The above figures for surplus are on the basis of 13% legal reserves for member banks of the Federal Reserve system, but do not include cash in vault amounting to \$87,190,000 held by these banks last Saturday. At the Federal Reserve Bank there was a loss of more than \$46,000,000 in the gold settlement fund, which partly accounted for the reduction of \$48,000,000 in total reserve and which was the principal factor in bringing about a reduction in cash reserves from 43.1% to 39.9%. There was an increase for the week in the bill holdings of \$55,382,000, but the totals of these bills included no less than \$84,996,300 re-discounted for other Federal Reserve banks as against \$63,995,800 the previous week. The bank statements will be found in greater detail in a subsequent part of the "Chronicle."

Generally speaking the trend of the call money market at this centre was just the opposite of what it was last week. Then the renewal rate was high and there was a flurry nearly every afternoon that carried quotations up to an abnormal level. This week it may be said that for the greater part of the time the prevailing quotation was 7%. There was said to have been an abundance of money to meet Stock Exchange requirements, at about that figure. As a matter of fact, the requirements for speculative purposes were not large, as the volume of trading was relatively small nearly all the week, and was believed to have been largely of a professional character. Some calling of loans was reported, but this did not change the prevailing quotations. If anything, the offerings of time money were still smaller than in recent weeks and months until yesterday. In special cases time loans were renewed, while in others payment was called at maturity. In speculative circles the easier tone of the call money market was attributed



to the passing of the first of the month and the return to regular channels of a fairly large amount of funds. Pierre Jay, Federal Reserve Agent, in his review of the situation, indicates that comprehensive measures are needed to bring about a thorough readjustment of the general monetary position in this country. The trouble appears to be that borrowers are as eager as ever to expand their activities and that the Federal Reserve authorities have not yet reached the point where they are disposed to do much more than utter words of caution. It has been demonstrated very clearly that increases in discount rates are not sufficient to check effectively credit expansion. The Bank of England statement showed that little had been accomplished in this direction by the advance a few weeks ago to the 7% rate now in effect. The Federal Reserve Bank statements have shown the same thing regarding loans by our banks throughout the country. The quick resale of the \$10,000,000 Delaware & Hudson bonds by Kuhn, Loeb & Co. demonstrated that there is a market for standard railroad bonds if the rate of interest and price meet with the approval of investors. As a whole, the offerings of new securities were considerably smaller in the aggregate than they were a few weeks ago.

Referring to specific rates for money, loans on call this week, for both mixed collateral and all-industrial loans alike covered a range of 6@9%, as against 7@15% in the previous week. Monday 9% was the high and ruling quotation, with 7% low. On Tuesday there was a slightly easier tone and call rates did not get above 8%, which was also the renewal basis, while the low was 6%. On Wednesday, Thursday and Friday rates were apparently "pegged" at 7%, and this was the only rate quoted on each of the three days, and at which renewals were negotiated. Offerings were light during the earlier part of the week, but toward the close the supply was again in excess of the demand, which was light. In time money practically no change has been noted. Nominally, the range continues at 8@8½% for regular mixed collateral loans and 8½@9% on all-industrial money. Fixed maturities were as scarce as ever during the greater part of the week and trading up till Friday was limited for the most part to a few renewals. Few important trades were reported in any maturity, although at the close it was stated that one prominent lender had offered \$6,000,000 for fixed date loans. This is a larger amount than has been available in quite a long period.

Mercantile paper has again been fractionally advanced and sixty and ninety days' endorsed bills receivable and six months' names of choice character are now quoted at 7%, as against 6¾@7%, while names less well known are at 7@7¼%, against 7% a week ago. Less activity was noted than in the recent past. Offerings were lighter and the demand showed a falling off, which suggests that contraction is being urged in various directions.

Banks' and bankers' acceptances were also firmer, that is, for the bills of eligible member and non-member banks. A moderate degree of activity was reported with both local and out-of-town institutions in the market, and brokers are again predicting somewhat broader activity in the near future. On Thursday it was reported that the New York Federal Reserve Bank had increased its buying rate on prime bank acceptance ¼ of 1%, making the new rates

6% for eligible member 90 days, 5⅞% for 60 days and 5¾% for 30 days. This action naturally resulted in a trifle higher rates for bills in the open market. The actual advance was ⅛ of 1%. Demand loans on bankers acceptances have not been changed from 5%. Quotations in detail are as follows:

	Spot Delivery			Delivery within 30 days.
	Ninety Days.	Sixty Days.	Thirty Days.	
Eligible bills of member banks	6¼@6	6¼@5½	6 @5¼	6¼ bid
Eligible bills of non-member banks	6¼@6¼	6¼@6	6¼@5½	6¼ bid
Ineligible bills	7 @6¼	7 @6¼	7 @6¼	7 bid

Both the Federal Reserve banks of Chicago and Minneapolis have increased from 5½ to 6% the discount rate on paper secured by Liberty bonds and Victory notes, while the Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco has increased the rate on this class of paper from 5½ to 5¾%. The latter has also increased the rate on discounts secured by Treasury certificates of all series from 5 to 5¼%. The following is the schedule of prevailing rates now in effect:

DISCOUNT RATES OF THE FEDERAL RESERVE BANKS IN EFFECT MAY 6 1920.

Federal Reserve Bank of—	Discounted bills maturing within 90 days (including member banks' 15-day collateral notes) secured by—				Bankers' Acceptances discounted for member banks.	Trade Acceptances maturing within 90 days.	Agricultural and live-stock paper maturing within 91 to 180 days.
	Treasury certificate of indebtedness		Liberty bonds and Victory notes.	Otherwise secured and unsecured.			
	Bear. Int. at 5¼%.	All other.					
Boston	5	5	5½	6	5	6	6
New York	5	5	5½	6	5	6	6
Philadelphia	5½	5	5½	6	5½	6	6
Cleveland	5½	5	5½	6	5½	6½	6
Richmond	5½	5	5½	6	5½	6	6
Atlanta	5½	5	5½	6	5½	6	6
Chicago	5½	5	5½	6	5½	6	6
St. Louis	5½	5	5½	6	5	6	6
Minneapolis	5½	5	6	6	5	5½	6
Kansas City	5	5	5½	6	5½	6	6
Dallas	5	5	5½	6	5½	6	6
San Francisco	5½	5½	5½	6	5½	6	6

Note 1. Rate on paper secured by War Finance Corporation bonds 1% higher than the rate on commercial paper shown in column 4 of figures above.  
 Note 2. Rates shown for Kansas City are normal rates, applying to discounts not in excess of a normal line fixed by the Federal Reserve Bank. Discounts in excess of the normal line are subject to a ½% progressive increase for each 25% excess or fraction thereof.

Sterling exchange has experienced a quiet and comparatively uneventful week, and there is very little of importance to report in the way of news developments. With the exception of a brief spurt of activity on Tuesday when prices moved sharply, first up, then down—demand was advanced 2¾ cents to 3 87½, but subsequently fell to 3 83½—trading ruled dull and rates were fairly stable, being maintained at slightly above the levels prevailing at the close on Friday of last week. Cabled quotations from London were generally firm, and this encouraged buying which in turn aided materially in sustaining rates here. Speculative interests were less in evidence. At the extreme close some increase in offerings was noted, but as adequate supporting orders were forthcoming, rates were firmly held.

Nothing definite has as yet been heard concerning the expected inflow of gold and while the belief appears to be quite general that a movement in this direction is soon to be inaugurated, so far as can be earned none of the metal has as yet been actually shipped.

Cable advices from Tokio reveal continued improvement in the Japanese situation. It is admitted that money conditions are still straitened, that commodity prices are materially lower and that in many instances banks are refusing to make further advances on cargoes. However, Japanese affairs have for the time being ceased to be a factor in the financial markets here. News that a bill had been introduced on Thursday in the Senate by Senator France proposing an amendment to the War Finance Corporation Act which would permit trading with Germany aroused considerable attention. Such a move, it is

understood, would be favored by many business interests. According to reports received from Commercial Attache Hutchinson in London, British imports from Germany are growing in volume rapidly and now embrace a wide variety of commodities, many of which, it is said, are being bought indirectly from Germany through the medium of Dutch and American buyers.

Dealing with the day-to-day rates, sterling exchange on Saturday of last week was firm and slightly higher, with demand at 3 82@3 82 $\frac{3}{4}$ , cable transfers 3 82 $\frac{3}{4}$ @3 83 $\frac{1}{2}$  and sixty days 3 79 $\frac{1}{2}$ @3 80 $\frac{1}{4}$ . On Monday the market was quiet but firmer and demand bills were advanced to 3 83 $\frac{3}{4}$ @3 85 $\frac{3}{4}$ , cable transfers to 3 84 $\frac{1}{2}$ @3 86 $\frac{1}{2}$  and sixty days to 3 81 $\frac{1}{4}$ @3 83 $\frac{1}{4}$ ; good buying was reported while cable quotations from London came higher. Increased activity developed on Tuesday and under the impetus of a brisk inquiry rates moved up in the early dealings but ran off sharply later on short selling; the day's range was 3 83 $\frac{1}{2}$ @3 87 $\frac{1}{2}$  for demand, 3 84 $\frac{1}{4}$ @3 88 $\frac{1}{4}$  for cable transfers and 3 81@3 85 for sixty days. Wednesday's market was quiet; some irregularity was shown at intervals, but the trend was fractionally downward and demand reacted to 3 83 $\frac{1}{4}$ @3 84 $\frac{1}{2}$ , cable transfers to 3 84@3 85 $\frac{1}{4}$  and sixty days to 3 80 $\frac{3}{4}$ @3 81. Dulness characterized Thursday's trading, but rates were well maintained and there was a fractional advance to 3 84@3 85 for demand, 3 84 $\frac{3}{4}$ @3 85 $\frac{3}{4}$  for cable transfers and 3 81 $\frac{1}{2}$ @3 82 $\frac{1}{2}$  for sixty days. On Friday the market ruled steady and practically unchanged; quoted rates ranged at 3 83 $\frac{3}{4}$ @3 85 $\frac{1}{4}$  for demand, 3 84 $\frac{1}{2}$ @3 86 for cable transfers and 3 81 $\frac{1}{4}$ @3 82 $\frac{3}{4}$  for sixty days. Closing quotations were 3 81 $\frac{1}{4}$  for sixty days, 3 83 $\frac{3}{4}$  for demand and 3 84 $\frac{1}{2}$  for cable transfers. Commercial sight bills finished at 3 83 $\frac{1}{2}$ , sixty days at 3 79 $\frac{3}{4}$ , ninety days 3 77 $\frac{1}{4}$ , documents for payment (sixty days) 3 79 $\frac{1}{4}$  and seven-day grain bills 3 82 $\frac{3}{8}$ . Cotton and grain for payment closed at 3 83 $\frac{1}{2}$ . Practically no gold has been shipped this week. One special transaction was noted, viz., a consignment of United States gold coin amounting to \$457,000 received from Colombia, South America, A small shipment of gold, to the sum of \$35,000, has been engaged for the Virgin Islands.

\* As to the Continental exchanges, movements have been somewhat irregular, although here also changes, except in one or two instances, have not been particularly striking. Trading was inclined to be spotty, brief outbursts of strength and activity being almost invariably succeeded by more or less extended periods of dulness and depression. French and Italian exchange continue the most active in the list, with fluctuations ranging all the way from 30 to 150 centimes, but the trend taken as a whole was distinctly upward, so that francs did not at any time go below 16.72 for sight bills, while at the highest point the quotation touched 15.82. The range for lire was 21.77 low, with the high 20.02. Light offerings and higher cable quotations were said to have been chiefly responsible for the advance. According to some market authorities a movement is on foot to bring about the quoting of francs and lire and possibly other Latin exchanges in terms of United States money per unit, instead of as at present. The old way, it is asserted, is confusing to laymen, and the prediction is made that it is only a question of time when this will be actually done. Under the new form of quotation,

francs at say, 16.52 per dollar, would be equivalent to and quoted at 6.4 cents per franc, while in the same manner lire, at 21.90, would be quoted at 4.56 $\frac{1}{2}$  cents per lire, and so on.

Reichsmarks were in better demand and there was a further advance to 1.93 for checks, or 18 points up. Recent dispatches from Berlin are responsible for the statement that the Government's handling of the question of compulsory transfer of securities to the Allies is proving highly unsatisfactory and has led to the formation in Berlin, Hamburg and elsewhere of associations by holders of foreign bonds for the protection of their interests. These organizations are demanding that the Government appoint competent financiers to assist in conducting the negotiations. It is understood that the Government has already officially recognized these associations as corporate bodies. From the same source it is also learned that the so-called "Iron Parliament" which is to regulate the whole of Germany's production, sale and foreign trade in iron and steel, has been formally constituted. The "Iron Parliament," whose headquarters are at Dusseldorf, will consist of 70 representatives of producers, traders and consumers and be organized into two groups, one for pig iron, ferro-manganese and other raw material, and the other for half-finished goods such as rolling mill products, bar iron, &c.

Fears that a rupture between France and Brazil over the status of the former German liners interned at Brazilian ports was imminent, were finally set at rest when it was announced that the French Ambassador had transmitted a note from his Government to the Brazilian Foreign Office, recognizing Brazil's right to ownership of the vessels in question. Cable advices from Consul-General Thackara at Paris indicate that French exports are increasing in an encouraging way. For the first three months of 1920, France's foreign trade showed imports of 7,766,950,000 francs, against 6,342,752,000 francs in 1919, but exports for the same period were valued at 3,383,886,000 francs, in comparison with 1,180,931,000 francs for the same period the previous year.

The official London check rate in Paris closed at 61.98, as against 64.10 a week ago. In New York sight bills on the French centre finished at 15.82, against 16.72; cable transfers at 15.80, against 16.70 commercial sight at 15.86, against 16.76, and commercial sixty days at 15.93, against 16.82 last week. Belgian francs, which have been well maintained, closed at 14.85 for checks and 14.83 for cable transfers, which compares with 15.65 and 15.63 in the week preceding. Reichsmarks finished at 1.92 for checks and 1.93 for cable remittances. Last week the close was 1.61 and 1.63. Austrian kronen closed at 00.51 for checks and 00.52 for cable transfers, against 00.53 and 00.54 the week previous. For lire the close was 20.20 for bankers' sight bills and 20.18 for cable transfers, which contrasts with 22.30 and 22.28 a week ago. Exchange on Czecho-Slovakia finished at 1.59, against 1.61; on Bucharest at 1.61, against 1.63; on Poland at 56, against 55, and on Finland at 5.41, against 5.40 last week. Greek exchange was fractionally easier for a time, but rallied and closed at 8.73 for checks and 8.71 for cable transfers, the previous quotation.

In neutral exchange some improvement has been noted in price levels, although the volume of transactions continues extremely restricted. Guilders have been well maintained, likewise Swiss francs,



while the Scandinavian exchanges showed fractional recoveries. Spanish pesetas, however, ruled weak and closed at a slight net decline. The understanding is that attempts have been made recently on the part of the three Scandinavian countries to prevent the further depreciation of their currencies. Probably the most important of these is by some form of control of purchases of foreign exchange. It is true that Sweden has definitely decided against official exchange control, but latest reports state that the Government is making strenuous efforts to awaken popular interest in the country's unfavorable trade balance and has recommended the elimination of all unnecessary imports, while it is earnestly requested that no Swedish capital be invested in foreign enterprises. In Norway, where during the war the country was so surfeited with gold that its purchase and free coinage were suspended, the Norges Bank has recently under royal decree suspended payments in gold, following the continued and alarming shrinkage of its gold reserve.

Bankers' sight on Amsterdam closed at 36 $\frac{3}{8}$ , (unchanged); cable transfers at 36 $\frac{1}{2}$  (unchanged); commercial sight at 36 5-16 (unchanged), and commercial sixty days at 35 15-16, against 36 last week. Swiss exchange finished the week at 5 65 for bankers' sight bills and 5 63 for cable transfers. This compares with 5 63 and 5 61 last week. Copenhagen checks closed at 17.00, and cable transfers 17.15, against 16.96 and 17.05. Checks on Sweden finished at 21.15 and cable transfers 21.30, against 21.25 and 21.40, while checks on Norway closed at 19.05 and cable remittances 19.20, against 19.25 and 19.40 the preceding week. Closing quotations on Spanish pesetas were 16.88 for checks and 16.95 for cable transfers, against 17.00 and 17.08 a week ago.

With regard to South American quotations a further slight reduction has taken place and the rate for checks on Argentina closed at 42.50 and cable transfers at 42.70, against 42.675 and 42.875. For Brazil the check rate has remained at 26.375 and cable transfers at 26.50, unchanged. Chilean exchange was weak and closed at 20 $\frac{1}{4}$ , against 23 $\frac{1}{2}$  last week, although Peru was firm at 4.95@4.98, against 4.90@4.95 last week.

Far Eastern rates are as follows: Hong Kong, 86 $\frac{3}{4}$ @87 $\frac{3}{4}$ , against 93 $\frac{1}{2}$ @94; Shanghai, 119@121, against 127 $\frac{1}{2}$ @128; Yokohama, 49 $\frac{1}{4}$ @49 $\frac{3}{4}$ , against 49 $\frac{1}{2}$ @50; Manila, 49 $\frac{1}{4}$ @49 $\frac{3}{4}$ , against 48 $\frac{3}{4}$ @49 $\frac{1}{2}$ ; Singapore, 46@46 $\frac{3}{4}$ , against 46 $\frac{1}{4}$ @46 $\frac{1}{2}$ ; Bombay, 46@46 $\frac{1}{2}$ , against 46 $\frac{1}{4}$ @46 $\frac{1}{2}$ , and Calcutta, 46@46 $\frac{1}{2}$ , against 46 $\frac{1}{4}$ @46 $\frac{1}{2}$ .

The New York Clearing House banks, in their operations with interior banking institutions, have gained \$3,166,000 net in cash as a result of the currency movements for the week ending May 7. Their receipts from the interior have aggregated \$7,362,000, while the shipments have reached \$4,196,000. Adding the Sub-Treasury and Federal Reserve operations and the gold exports, which together occasioned a loss of \$72,242,000, 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 \$69,076,000, as follows:

Week ending May 7.	Into Banks.	Out of Banks.	Net Change in Bank Holdings.
Bank interior movement.....	\$7,362,000	\$4,196,000	Gain \$3,166,000
Sub-Treasury and Fed. Reserve operations and gold exports.....	21,117,000	93,359,000	Loss 72,242,000
Total.....	\$28,479,000	\$97,555,000	Loss \$69,076,000

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

Banks of—	May 6 1920.			May 8 1919.		
	Gold.	Silver.	Total.	Gold.	Silver.	Total.
England	£ 112,520,127	£ —	£ 112,520,127	£ 85,927,395	£ —	£ 85,927,395
France	144,331,598	9,680,000	154,011,598	142,778,307	12,320,000	155,098,307
Germany	54,584,590	3,111,400	57,695,990	87,513,150	1,029,200	88,542,350
Russia	129,650,000	12,375,000	142,025,000	129,650,000	12,375,000	142,025,000
Aus-Hun	10,944,000	2,369,000	13,313,000	11,650,000	2,372,000	13,972,000
Spain	98,109,000	25,023,000	123,162,000	97,445,000	26,010,000	116,455,000
Italy	32,194,000	3,004,000	35,198,000	32,715,000	3,001,000	35,716,000
Netherl'ds.	52,931,000	944,000	53,875,000	55,279,000	676,000	55,955,000
Nat. Bel. h.	19,657,000	1,112,000	11,769,000	15,389,000	690,000	15,989,000
Switz'land.	21,235,000	3,576,000	24,811,000	16,802,000	2,633,000	19,435,000
Sweden	14,591,000	—	14,591,000	15,977,000	—	15,977,000
Denmark	12,589,000	172,000	12,761,000	10,385,000	137,000	10,522,000
Norway	8,121,000	—	8,121,000	8,197,000	—	8,197,000
Total week	702,367,135	61,366,400	763,733,535	702,648,852	61,153,200	763,802,052
Prev. week	702,337,462	61,747,600	764,085,062	702,926,251	61,034,500	763,960,751

a Gold holdings of the Bank of France this year are exclusive of £79,131,137 held abroad.

\* No figures reported since October 29 1917.

b Figures for 1918 are those of August 6 1914.

### THE FINANCIAL PROGRAM OF ENGLAND.

This week's foreign mail has brought us the full report of the speech by the Chancellor of the British Exchequer to Parliament, on introducing the budget of revenue and taxation for the new fiscal year. In its general purport this speech and its recommendations were summarized in the cablegrams of two weeks ago; but the full details of the plan and the Government's argument for its own proposals can be had only from the speech itself.

The "budget speech" is in fact a peculiar institution of the British Parliament. It can hardly be said to exist in our own Congress. In times of peace, our Administration submits to the House Appropriations Committee its estimate of the money needed to run the various departments of Government; that Committee approves what it sees fit to approve, and the Ways and Means Committee then undertakes to adjust the taxes to the revenue probably to be required. In the recent war financing the procedure differed from the ordinary routine, only to the extent that the Ways and Means Committee had to settle on the question what part of the abnormally large sum required should be raised from loans and what part from taxes.

The Chairman of the Committee would introduce the Revenue Bill with what might be called a "budget speech," and the Chairman of the Senate Finance Committee would similarly introduce the amended bill in the other House. But in both cases, the Chairman explained, defended, or apologized for a measure which was avowedly a compromise in his own Committee, and which he knew would be subject to revision and amendment in the open discussion of House or Senate and would then be further altered in the conference committee of both houses. Neither of the Congressmen who introduced these bills staked his own political fortunes on the fate of the bill itself. The political fortunes of the Administration were not involved at all—except in so far as an ill-contrived measure might later prove inadequate for the public needs.

But presentation of the budget by the Finance Minister of the British Government is a very different matter. His Government will stand or fall by the approval or disapproval of its measures by the House; and the measure which it is his business to introduce and defend is traditionally the least popular of any act of government. That is notably the case at a time like this, when war taxation is pressing heavily on the people and when a Ministry may be pulled in two directly opposite directions—by his wish to reduce the burden for the sake of political popu-

larity, and by his knowledge that the burden ought actually to be increased for the sake of sound public finance. Here was precisely the dilemma which confronted Mr. Chamberlain in his anxiously awaited budget speech of April 19. He was introducing, not a tentative sketch or a general outline whose details were to be filled in by the House, but a fully-considered measure, by the vote on which the Ministry itself would continue or go out of office. Something of the ancient tradition, whereby Parliament's attitude towards the requests of the Crown for grant of money was one of jealous scrutiny, survives in the case of these budget declarations by the King's Ministers. In this present case, moreover, the Chancellor of the Exchequer was proposing to increase the war taxes a year and a half after the war was over.

Mr. Austen Chamberlain, the present Chancellor, met this exacting test with rather notable success. The detailed Parliamentary reports are interspersed with numerous references to cheers by the House. Mr. Asquith, speaking as leader of the Opposition at the conclusion of the budget speech, began by declaring that in thirty years' experience in Parliament, he had "never listened to a statement which covered so much ground with greater lucidity and with more persuasive argument."

The speech which elicited this high praise is a very frank statement of the bad side as well as the good side of things. Mr. Chamberlain set forth the reassuring facts that the actual revenue of the fiscal year just closed had surpassed last year's budget estimate by £138,500,000; returns from customs and excise alone being nearly 20% above the Government's calculations. Whereas in the fiscal year ending with March 1919 taxes provided for 34.47% of the public expenditure and loans for 65.53%, in the twelve months ending with March 1920 only 19.6% was procured from loans and 80.4% from taxes. Furthermore, since public expenditure, which had been reduced 60% in the past fiscal year, will be cut down 35% further in the pending fiscal year, the balancing of expenditure by revenue was fairly in sight.

The Exchequer might have used these facts as a basis for proposing unchanged or reduced taxation. Instead of that, Mr. Chamberlain urged a substantial increase. On the basis of existing revenues, a surplus of £164,000,000 might be anticipated for the fiscal year—which would be 2% of the national debt, or sufficient to redeem that debt in 26 years. But the Chancellor declared it to be not enough, and asked the country for "a further and generous effort" in the way of increased taxes, "to improve our credit and lighten our future burden in establishing the security of our national credit."

Why was this necessary? The Chancellor set forth unsparingly the condition of the unfunded public debt and the reasons why it must be dealt with at once. Although reduced £100,000,000 during the past fiscal year, this floating debt amounted on March 31 to £1,312,205,000. Most of this debt was in the form of Treasury bills with less than a year's maturity and subject to renewal. But a year ago, £228,500,000 had been borrowed outright from the Bank of England—a practice which the Chancellor described as "an immediate cause of inflation of credit," a process which "can only lead, if unchecked, to ultimate disaster"—and although all such advances had been repaid by the end of last March, the non-

renewal of Treasury bills had caused £45,000,000 new borrowing of the sort in the first 10 days of April.

This was why the Exchequer first, a few weeks ago, raised its rate for Treasury bills and then more recently offered short-term bonds to the public, virtually at a 7% rate, to reduce the principal of the floating debt. So of the \$500,000,000 Anglo-French loan maturing in America in October. An effort might have been made to borrow again in our market to renew it. But the Government had decided to pay off that loan in cash. Mr. Chamberlain urged a "drive" to raise, by sale of National Savings Certificates in England, a sum of money to reimburse the Treasury for its payments in redemption of that loan. But the Government "had decided that there shall be no more borrowing to balance revenue and expenditure."

These were the Chancellor's reasons for his proposal to increase the stamp tax on stock transfers and on companies' capital, to raise the rate of tax on excess profits to the level from which it had been reduced, to increase heavily the tax on wine and spirits, to add to the tax on certain high grades of income, and to impose a larger rate for postage and telegrams. Such is the budget. Whatever may be thought as to the special advisability of some of these increased taxes, the great fact which remains is that the Exchequer, in order to meet the problem of the war debt in a trying money market, has actually increased the taxes and the revenue in the second year after return of peace. This is something which the British Government did not have the courage to do after the war with Napoleon was ended. Very few Governments in the immediate sequel to a great war have the necessary courage. The adoption of such a policy to-day, and the endorsement of that policy by Parliament, are incidents which, when combined with the frank recognition by Government and people of the paper inflation problem and the necessity of dealing with it promptly, promise well for England's economic future in these difficult times.

#### THE NEW CASE BEFORE THE INTER-STATE COMMERCE COMMISSION.

In a few weeks the Inter-State Commerce Commission, now increased to a membership of eleven, will begin consideration and hearings on the application just filed by the railroads for an average increase of 28% in freight rates, to yield the 1,017 millions needed to raise their earnings approximately to the rate promised by the new law. Net income in 1919 was 510 millions, against 1,056 millions in 1916, notwithstanding increased investment; yet if to-day's costs-level had been in force during all of 1919 the net yielded would have been only 220 millions, or a little over 1%, on the property investment of over 20½ billions. Presenting the case for the Eastern territory, Mr. Daniel Willard summed up by various items the increased receipts and outgoes by setting last March against the condition in 1916: increased receipts, about 608¾ millions, or 36.37%; per contra, a total increase of about 1,215 millions, or 99.10% in costs. The increases are in materials, fuel, taxes and miscellaneous, but the item of wages shows where the money has gone, the increase in that being over 692¾ millions, consuming (with about 84 millions more) the entire increase in receipts. The men, however, are getting ready for another billion over the entire country.



It is truly an unpleasant outlook, but unpleasant truths are always better than agreeable falsehoods; let us suppose that typical Uncle Sam is very ill (not without some fault of his own), and that the necessary treatment of his case may include heroic endurance if not some surgery. He has then just one thing to do: have a stern but competent diagnosis, demand the whole truth, and summon all his mental and moral resources to take whatever regimen is before him—set his teeth and groan within, but live it through in order to live it down and do and be better thereafter.

Speaking to the Railway Business Association, a month ago, Senator Frelinghuysen said that no one attending the recent hearing by the Inter-State Commerce Commission on the territorial grouping and the basis of valuation for rate-making purposes (an obviously crucial and controversial topic) "could have heard one member after another frame questions to witnesses without reaching the conclusion that the seven Commissioners present had accepted in good faith the governmental purpose as determined by Congress and dedicated themselves in good faith to its full accomplishment; Commissioner McChord, who had been frankly out of sympathy with that purpose before its enactment, volunteered an explicit recognition of the facts and the official obligations which have been created by the law of 1920." We earnestly hope the Senator did not misread their attitude and that it will continue strengthening, for it will surely be put to test.

A billion asked for the roads, and another billion or so demanded by the Brotherhoods; the members of the Commission cannot avoid thinking about both, and the first fact which they and all thinking persons will encounter is that if the latter billion were granted it would more than consume the former, and the billion for the roads would need to be doubled or more.

The case for the roads is presented by the arithmetic, and the arithmetic implacably refuses to enter into any argument; it casts a fact at the feet of men, and leaves them to deal with it. The roads must have the increase, because they are the country and the country faces an alternative of courage or collapse.

Yet, when we contrast the billion needed with the other one demanded, we find two positively clear propositions. The first is that the billion or any part thereof to the men would scatter off into consumption, probably no small amount dissipated in unthrifty spending which would tend to further aggravate high prices; but the billion to the roads will go into profitable consumption. There is no more wretched economy than doing without tools needed for proper work, or than having tools of bad quality or in bad condition. The losses caused, not only by misconduct of labor and consequent clots here and there in the distributing process, but by shortages of rolling stock and other physical facilities, are beyond computation. While it is true that increased rates will enter into the costs of commodities, there is a prodigious offset in the fact that a more efficient and more adequate transportation machinery will go directly at the healing process of smoothing out frictional spots, saving time lost by delays in both distributing and producing, and also saving perishable things from the wastes which have been constantly depleting them. Seed and sowing do cost, but they yield harvests, and the analogy is

clear: the increased outlay for betterments by which our transportation regains its lost efficiency and progressively adds to it to match growing needs will come back to the people in the great boon of greater abundance and lightened burdens of living. To doubt this is like doubting whether the sun himself is going to stand by us as he once stood.

Here, then, we can find our compensation and renew our courage and our faith. When we tax ourselves—as we must do, and it is weakness to blink at that or turn away from it—to recuperate our railroads, we are buying and planting seed, and the harvests will follow. Viewing the subject in this just light, the sacrifice asked of us appears the less (for it *is* less) and so the regimen the case demands seems less heroic and we need not be so shaken up in mind.

But it must be said that the composition of the Labor Board is not what it should be, and that the Commission is not now, any more than it formerly was, made up wholly from the ablest men in the country. Each body needs to grow, and each has room for growth; each also needs aid in growing. The time has been (albeit we were less tax-exhausted then) when the people were more ready to be taxed than was realized in Congress—ready because the vastness of the interests at stake was understood and accepting taxes was seen to be the price of salvation as well as the expression of personal sacrifice. Something of this spirit is needed again now, and let us well understand that now (as then) what is demanded of us is both sacrifice and the price of recovery out of trials. But we should not make the mistake of supposing the Commission will quickly, and of its own vitality, get away from the old bondage and become of to-day; it will not immediately understand the change in conditions, understand the public ownership of the roads and the changing public attitude towards them; it will learn, but it needs help in the lesson.

Therefore we, the people, must not wait as we formerly did, when the Commission heard little but the grumblings of shippers; next in harm to public expressions of dissent from relief to the roads will be a public silence, for that will be interpreted as indifference at the least. We need to stand by and near the Commission—not with any clamor but with a quiet determination that cannot be misunderstood, for that body will try to do what the people seem to wish. All indications are that the case is steadily making its way among the people, over the country, along right lines, but this needs to become manifest. Therefore there is a call on all men with minds of their own to get into mutual touch, unite their influence and bring it into action.

And let it be understood that granting aid to the roads and denying more wage increases, in any and every line of industry, is not opposing labor but really standing for it, because that course is for the general welfare, with which that of labor is indissolubly bound.

#### **THE IMPERATIVELY-NEEDED HALT ON WAGE INCREASING.**

Having in mind all industry and service, yet especially the demands which the new Labor Board must face at its first meeting, the "Chronicle" urged, last week, that the time has arrived for taking, and firmly holding, a stand against further increases in nominal wages. This contention was reached only

after serious study. Good resolutions rarely enforce themselves; they usually provoke resistance by an increased pressure of the evils on whose account they are made. A statute, if at all a rational one, is merely a good resolution, and although we Americans have slid into a weak habit of considering an evil quite well attended to when a statute about it has been enacted, no man who does any thinking can imagine that this curse of wage-raising under strike duress or threat is going to be quickly cured by even the most solemn determination that it shall stop. It will be a struggle—very like the last-ditch struggle which the "Chronicle" has for many years been warning must come, while successive surrenders to avoid it have been making it only the more unavoidable and the worse when it did come.

The long-deferred grapple is now here; let us accept and realize this fact, and then brace ourselves to go through it to the lasting settlement which cannot be concluded immediately but can be begun to-day. Unless we have become hopeless weaklings (a supposition too monstrous to be allowed) the stand must be taken because the alternative is one that cannot be contemplated for a moment. This is the situation we are in: a vicious spiral of ascending wages which chase and push prices before them; an iron beam must break at last, if increasing load be piled on it, and similarly this vicious spiral must reach its end. Some thoughtful men who are studying the outlook presage general disaster, and some presage a rallying of the vital powers which will (in some unforeseen way) carry us through and out. One way of ending this situation is a general collapse, in which production will sink to a hand-to-mouth scale, and labor, disillusioned sharply by shock, will be hunting for jobs and anxious about to-morrow's dinner.

It is neither wise nor necessary to predict such a calamity, but it would be unwise to deny its possibility and naturalness, or to forget that such distresses have occurred in our national history; laws (not mere statutes) may defer exacting their penalties, but will not waive them. Because we do not want the spiral to end in such a manner, it is time we really resolved to halt its ascent; do that, and then it will gradually slide back towards normal.

Now there are many indications of a growing and strengthening determination to take—and hold—this stand against wage-boosting. In a large degree, this appears in the increased seriousness in the minds of business men generally, and a public evidence of that is given in the proceedings of one convention after another in manufactures and important trades; the men in attendance do not all speak out plainly, but they do show anxious study and a realization that something must be done. Here, the strongest of the business organizations notify the unionized truckmen that the tie-up of goods at this port must quickly cease or they will themselves take hold of the moving. From New England come reports that the leading textile concerns are reducing or about to reduce operations, because "for several reasons, the time has come when they must make a stand against higher wages and higher costs of materials." A strike started in New Bedford, with the United Workers saying their 100,000 members must have 17½% increase, plus fewer hours and less output, and in Lawrence a local Council of Amalgamated Textile Workers of America demand 50% increase, a 44-hour week, and "recognition." Even the American Woolen Company, notwithstanding its singularly progress-

ive transaction in group insurance, has not escaped menace, and its head is quoted as saying that he supposes he may grant "some increase if the others do," adding the just criticism that labor has not kept its efficiency up to match wage increases, and a further remark which everybody might well ponder: "there will be no drop in prices until the public registers its mind with sufficient clearness, for public opinion can do anything."

The eyes of unionized workers are still holden, so that many of them cannot see an inch beyond themselves, and their immediate employer, and all they ponder is how much and how long he can endure before yielding to the inevitable. If one group of them could monopolize the rule of more wage for less service they could get a selfish advantage therefrom; but workers in all other industrial lines and places play at the same game, and the vast majority have not grasped the fact that this action goes along in mounting waves of dire consequences which roll back upon them all. A question might be put up to them thus: when many millions of men engage for four years in killing one another and destroying existing property or in producing the equipment for destruction, and when hundreds of thousands continually mutiny for the purpose of shortening the time and aggregate of production, so that the tendency is towards less rather than more available for distribution and consumption, how is the cost of living to be lowered? Not even the highest-up of union leaders seem to have considered this question, or to have done more than secretly shudder as to the possibility that a final stand can be and will be made against further wage-boosting. Yet this stand must be taken, notwithstanding nobody can foresee the duration and incidents of the struggle; we know the general calamity we must strive to our utmost to prevent, and therefore we must not flinch because we cannot foresee the costs of the prevention.

Some little time ago, a large department store in Brooklyn announced a reduction in prices of necessities, offering, for instance, its \$11 men's shoes at \$5; its chief competitor there followed suit by announcing reductions; a large store in this borough offers its \$15 shoes at \$9.95, and the widest-known of New York stores is broadly advertising that it does not mark prices down but all purchasers may select what they want and take 20% off when making payment. Repeating its announcement, the same store says it is driving a wedge into the high cost of living, "with the hope that it will split the merchandise market wide open and let in both light and reason," and it adds a remark so true and so pat that it deserves quoting: "high prices do not begin with the retailer; they begin back with the increased cost of raw material, with the restriction and high cost of manufacturing, with the tying-up of goods by speculators and with unsettled conditions of labor; but high prices do culminate with the retailer, and the sledgehammer blow that may break their backbone must begin at the point of contact with the hammer."

It is not proven that no profit remains after these proclaimed reductions; that is beside the point, which is that all such broadly advertised steps are cumulative upon the overalls and old clothes movement in focusing public attention upon lower prices as being a relief we must and shall have. Yet lower prices are not possible without lowering or at least halting nominal wages, and increasing those is a



direct challenge to the movement for lower prices. These several trends of thinking, and these advertised changes (even if we deem them mainly for advertising purposes only) all unite in one direction, however slowly organized labor may take notice.

Now when the new Railway Labor Board gathers around its table, a fortnight hence, it will meet the employees' demand, coupled with a warning that the men are in no mood to be trifled with. There are two sound propositions which the members of the Board may wisely take into serious consideration at the outset, and resolve to remember and maintain as a part of the basis for all their action. One is that transportation, because of its prominence and its intrinsic nature, is the best of all industries for making the stand against nominal wage increases; there is none where that is more necessary and more fit than here, and none where a just attitude will have a wider influence generally in the same direction, for we may well take home to ourselves that if we cannot make such a stand there we have slight reason to expect to do it anywhere, and after we have begun there it will be very much easier to take and hold it generally. The other consideration meet for the Board right now is that it is not a body for doing what the brotherhoods and also the outlaws assume it will do, arbitrate how much advance shall be granted for the present; its part is to take up, first, the now-prevailing question whether any advance at all shall be granted. If the immovable arithmetic and all the conditions do not dictate a negative answer to that question, it would be hard to see how events and numbers can ever put up an unanswerable case. If it be not both true and glaringly plain that the roads cannot pay more wages, nothing else is true and plain. They might—by collecting it from the people; but the people must meet another unavoidable collection, for a genuine purpose.

The men will not see the matter in the light which is displeasing to them, and what then? Then let us deal with the case, realizing the impossibility of avoiding it longer. We shall then see what we shall see, and do what we find need and power to do. Observe that neither of those will be lacking, if the determination required is present. A strong effort will be made, Washington dispatches say, to pass, at this session, some bill to estop interference by strikes with inter-State commerce; one such bill has been introduced by Senator Poindexter, and there may be others; Senator Cummins is said to be convinced of the necessity of passing something for this purpose. With all due respect for him, the "Chronicle" must hold that no legislation is needed and that Congress should not spend time now upon any. Ample power is granted by the old law of 1890, which begins by declaring illegal "every contract, combination in the form of a trust, or otherwise, or conspiracy, in restraint of trade or commerce among the several States or with foreign nations," and prescribes the penalties of misdemeanor for "every person" making any such contract or engaging "in any such combination or conspiracy." Here is ample law, applying to conspiracies to halt commerce (including the late outlaw attempts and reaching back to the latter months of 1916), and it has stood for thirty years. Only the enforcement is lacking, and a hundred new laws, though toothed like the biggest crocodile in Egypt, would be of no use without enforcement. We have invoked this law upon business, turning it in the wrong direction, because our politicians have cringed

before blustering labor and the people as a mass have been too inert to give any command.

The subject takes us back where everything must go: to the people. Circumstances have so changed that no member of either the Inter-State Commerce Commission or the new Board can take the old angle of view, unless he is wilfully blind. Senator Frelinghuysen charitably excuses the failures of the former body as due less to its own impotence or incompetence than "to that state of the public mind which displayed avowed hostility to adequate protection of the interests of the railroads and to the narrow vision of Congress which, until recently, failed to grasp the magnitude of the problem and the necessity of handling it in a catholic, generous spirit." Well said; and now the excuse should be ended. We cannot expect the members of the Labor Board to be sound and firm for us, the people, as well as for themselves. They cannot immediately escape some influence from past precedent, and they must meet great pressure. They will need to be sustained by a public opinion behind them so unmistakable and so close that they can feel it and are not left to infer it; that feeling—in business organizations, in the newspapers, in Congress, and out everywhere among the people—should make itself known not merely after the Board meets but before it meets, clearing and strengthening in advance. If we count upon sound action and a stand of resistance at last, we must make it ourselves and not leave it wholly to our uninstructed representatives.

#### THE "WAR STATE OF MIND."

Millions in every country will read the message of Premier Nitti. Ask newspaper correspondents to spread a serious and helpful statement to "the four corners of the earth" and it will be done. He condenses his message into four words: "The war is over." In his talk occurs this form of a philosophy: "War and peace are not only facts. They are states of mind. The trouble with the world to-day is that it is in a war state of mind. It must get into a peace state of mind. The war is over. Let's have peace. The people who to-day want to fight some more are dangerous people. The people in favor of having peace are the useful people." This reported interview will not fail to receive ample editorial comment. Few will doubt that this is what should be done everywhere—"forget it." Yet standing in the midst of desolation, in the shadow of sorrow, it may be hard for some to do. Yet, having once "made peace," what boots it to remember? Reparations, restitution, resumption, having been accomplished by agreement, then there enters a new day, wherein nations may "smile."

But France is afraid. England must feel relieved. Italy, the Premier contends, intends to be at peace. And the slow throbbing of a deep remorse over a mistaken ambition will give the German mind a new outlook and induce a new resolve. If the far-off United States wishes to "settle down," to return to former ways and works, it is not abandonment, it is not callousness or indifference, rather may it not be the promptings of the spirit of peace? But we have been in the throes of a domestic legislative battle over the substance of peace, its physical form rather than its spiritual content. Sometimes, it almost seems that our citizens know too much of the doings of the world. Our strained eyes grow blind to the things near at hand. Almost we have come to be-

lieve we cannot be at peace with all the world without membership in the League of Nations—without *participation* in all the world's affairs. Yet if we do take part, not in the spirit though in the form, are we really "at peace"?

There is an idea that non-participation, isolation, is apathy. This state is likened to death. We shall perish as a people if we *live* to ourselves, no matter how well we may wish the world. Yet the best neighbors are those who stay on their own side of the fence. Always there radiates good-will. When sorrow or misfortune comes there is the prompt tender of sympathy and aid. But the home and its affairs, who none enters to advise or to influence? If the scalpel cannot find a soul can the League of Nations discover the seat and source of universal love among neighbor nations? Does any one deny the mind often becomes servant of the heart? The "love that laughs at locksmiths" is but a faint showing of the great truth that true "love will find a way." The whole world, all its States, peoples and persons, can be at peace if it, if they only will. To will peace is to follow love. But peace without love is not possible; not a sentiment, an abiding trust. Once in the folds of peace, there are no longer enemies.

War, after-the-war, "a state of mind." How bright the day would dawn for every man if he could recover that old feeling of security in his life and endeavor. We had it once. If we had kept it, we might or might not have gone down under the bludgeon of militaristic autocracy. But surely now with the physical overcoming, the victory won, we can *feel* secure. What, but our own quarrels have we longer to fear. If need be, let us believe we are citizens of a unit world. Shall we fear, or love, one another? Here in that mystery of mysteries called life is the same man, the same earth. There is no escape. Work only will sustain life. The means of production may change, but we cannot escape the fact. Nations are but aggregations of men. There is no "new earth" or "new era" that can ignore the old. Back to the soil, back to the home, back to the "self-determination" and political independence of the man himself, back to the state of individuals, and of neighbors respecting but not interfering with each other, we go, and must go, if we are to dwell together in peace. As with citizens so with countries, peoples, Governments.

"Smile" is the admonition. No longer stand face to face glowering over concealed enmities. *Evidence* good-will if it exists. Do not seek for advantage all the time. Do not even assert every meticulous right. In human relations there may be peace without perfectness, but there is need of sacrifice. In our industrial affairs, here, everywhere, men are at odds over "collective bargaining," over the system. When to bargain, is to agree; to agree, to banish divisional wants and ways; to relinquish wants and ways, is to come into harmony by virtue of common purpose and will. Yet forever we are forming classes, organizations, unions, parties, movements, to gain, to force, to compel acceptance of our views, our theories, our ways. Thus, we war.

What we do not see, physical combat being in abeyance, is that the professional reformer is the world's remaining warlord. He will not let peace make its appeal from heart to heart, from nation to nation; he must construct a League to *Enforce* Peace. He will not let supply and demand operate under nature, he must create a wholly artificial system of

cause and effect. He will not let love make its appeal to humanity; he must have "the law" on his fellowmen. He will not let work win its just reward; he would set up some collective censor to declare what both work and reward shall be. He will not believe in the reign of individuals, through work that is the means of establishing product, price and wage, according to inevitable exchange values—he must have a paternal government to enforce harmonious relations, to superimpose equalities, to establish rights—all of which are contradictory, anomalous, subversive and separative. No man can be at peace with his neighbor who is forever interfering with his work, purpose, thought.

By manipulation of the moving picture camera a plant is seen to start out of the ground, send forth its branches, unfold its leaves and finally to burst into flower, all in a minute. It is an artificial process—a hastening of the appearance of growth. But all the reformers, all the governments, cannot, however desirous, change the nature of actual growth, or change one dead cell into a living. The most that culture in the material or spiritual world can do is to give nature a better chance by keeping down interferences, and by appreciation of soils and minds, by *giving life liberty to flower and bear fruit*. But instead of bowing to men of actual achievement, and guaranteeing freedom of initiative and the rights of property, we run after some wild dreamer who would force peace, prosperity and plenty by the manipulation of some theory invented by himself. Thus we are continually at war with the nature of things, with man and his environment, with the laws of God. We are continually doing unto others, as we think they would do to us, and doing it "first." We will not smile. Often we will not speak as we pass by. All men are strangers, who must first prove themselves worthy of acquaintance. We grow wild to make humanity perfect in the whole, and hold the individual away from our good-will as a person, a possible friend, an inescapable neighbor, and a brother, only when the good time comes called the Millenium. Well, this state of mind is war. Both democracy and peace, if they are ever to exist, must be lived. The dreamed-of world of brotherly love is not like a New York City apartment house.

#### HERBERT SPENCER AND HUMAN GOVERNMENT.

On the anniversary of the birth of Herbert Spencer, April 27 1920, the "Evening Post" prints a short article summarizing his teachings, written by Frederick J. E. Woodbridge, Johnsonian Professor of Philosophy, Columbia University. From this we take the following paragraphs, in an order of our own choosing:

"Evolution came in only to assure his readers that if government would leave men alone they would under the process of natural forces evolve a much higher state of civilization than government interference could ever possibly attain, for there is no 'political alchemy by which you can get golden conduct out of leaden instincts.' Nature alone has fixed the conditions of such transmutation. . . ."

"Men do not agree in their conceptions of what is good or in what happiness consists. To legislate, therefore, in the interest of the common good or of the greatest happiness of the greatest number is to legislate in the interest of confusion. It enables a



few to impose upon the many and compel them to live as others think they ought to live. But all men cry out for freedom. It is this cry, and this alone, which should guide them when they attempt in any manner to restrain one another. . . ."

"The doctrine of evolution does not to-day ride with the easy assurance of some ten years ago. And the cry for freedom and self-determination is raised not by nations alone. The spectacle of legislative bodies multiplying laws, under pressure from those interested in them, to make the public healthy, wealthy and wise, while the public, on its part, bitterly complains that legislative bodies are venal, incompetent, disorderly, and wasteful, may be a humorous spectacle for the cynic, but it is hardly that for the thoughtful. It was this spectacle which Spencer held up for the reluctant gaze of those who believed in what he called 'the great political superstition,' that governments can 'improve life by breaking through the fundamental conditions of life.' Is his voice crying in the wilderness? Another century—shall it be said of evolution?—holds the answer."

Whether or not Spencer admitted, late in life, the existence in man of a spiritual quality not explainable by a materialistic evolution, does not seem important when we consider that the National Academy of Sciences in session at Washington is still engaged in propounding theories of "energy, force, time, space, magnetism," &c., and that one speaker develops the idea of smaller division than the atom or electron which he names a "quantel." The structure of matter and the size and constitution of space seem very far away from what is termed "the turmoil" of the world of to-day. From fire-mist to jelly-fish, and from protoplasm to man, however important to some as foundation for pointing to the ultimate in the progress of man, must take on the attenuation of speculation and theory in the presence of the fact of millions of civilized (?) men hurling bombs at millions of other civilized men on the battlefields of France. And the writer in recalling the memory of the great philosopher does a distinct service in revealing the larger truth of his life-thought and work, that "evolution was with him largely a flight of imagination" while his "ideas about government . . ." were based theoretically on the doctrine of equal liberty, and practically on observation and experience. . . ." That they "were not based on the doctrine of evolution nor drawn from it."

This doctrine of the "survival of the fittest," taking its roots in the cloudy nebular of space, of concentric whorls of matter throwing out suns and systems, planets and flaming meteors that pass never to return, worlds wherein man emerges from the dust of ages and life appears by a "fortuitous concurrence of atoms," may be "evolution," but is it 'progress'? The writer quotes this passage from the philosopher's works: ". . . it seems not only rational to believe in some further evolution, but irrational to doubt it—irrational to suppose that the causes which in the past have worked such wonderful effects will in the future work no effects. Not expecting that any existing society will reach a high organization, nor that any of the varieties of men now living will become fully adapted to social life, they yet look forward through increasing changes, now progressive, now retrogressive, to the evolution of humanity adjusted to the requirements of life. And along with this belief there arises, in an increasing number, the desire to further the development.

The anxieties which in many now go beyond the welfare of personal descendants, and include the welfare of the nation and its institutions, as well as in some cases the welfare of other nations and other races, will more and more become an anxiety for human progress at large." To find God in nature and in man, to find these immutable laws of environment "working together for good," to find this progression and retrogression but ever forward movement of humanity exemplification of the "spiritual," to find in the individual the origin of all governments and social institutions, to perceive in "equality" merely the possession of open opportunity for self-expression, to consider law as the product of liberty, and order the result of freedom—how much answer do they give to the query of the writer as to the verdict of another hundred years?

Is autocracy the result of the evolution of force and democracy the result of the exercise of non-resistance? Is there endless antagonism between the material and spiritual forces? If two "civilizations" came together in a cataclysmic war that was inevitable, a material war, a war of brutality, of decimation, of destruction, can there issue out of the triumphing material force the regeneration of the world of men? If so, why an Inter-Church movement now, why a campaign of the United States Chamber of Commerce to bombard the democracy of the Republic with "ideas" concerning the nature of our Government and its institutions? If this terrible war was itself a "reaction" to a material-minded social and economic life, is there to be no reaction to it, and if there is to be one, where will it go—to more of power in governments and less of self-determination in men who do not volunteer for fighting, and are, if nothing more, passive pacifists?

What master magic will solve the metabolism of the dead cell of war into the living cell of peace? Can man put order, security, liberty and law into government when these things are not in himself? Can man go on surrendering manhood and remain a man? Can a poor working man slave during war in a steel factory making guns to vanquish the danger to humanity in autocracy, salving his soul with a sense of patriotism, and then refuse to work at all to build homes for men, actuated alone by class interest and personal selfishness? Are "better living conditions" to be the result of a blind hatred of so-called "capitalism"? Is the resting of all power over society in the State to change the heart of man? How far has mankind progressed in the evolution of government, institutions, and human relations, at the expense of ignoring the divinity that is in the man? Where is there manifestation of spiritual progress in the rigid organization of a material world? And was there ever a time when the crux of two doctrines of life became more apparent than now?

Is it not true that when "economics" (let us say "production") is the hope of the world there is an obsession that "politics" is the cure-all for every trouble? Is it not true that an ideal which ignores the real must some time break on the shores of disaster? Can there be a super-State without a superman? Where lies the perfect future if not in the obscurely recognized divinity of the soul? Why has not peace followed war to end war? What thought did clashing armies give to the sacrifice to be made after the war? What harmony of life can come by repressing the spiritual liberties that energize every man to work for work's honest rewards and to

have that personal joy in individual accomplishment peculiar to himself, not transferable, not conferable? Is Spencer's philosophy of individualism already confirmed, or already condemned?

**THE PROSPECTIVE DISSOLUTION OF READING.**

It was not the joint control of the Philadelphia & Reading Ry. and the Philadelphia & Reading Coal & Iron Co. by the Reading Company, the holding company, that brought the Reading system out of bankruptcy to a position where it has been paying dividends of 8% upon \$70,000,000 of common stock since 1913 and a smaller rate for the preceding years since 1905. There was joint management of the anthracite properties and the railroad for many years prior to the joint control of the properties obtained by the Reading Company in 1896, yet the old Philadelphia & Reading R.R. passed into the hands of receivers three times before it was placed upon a sound financial footing by the last reorganization.

Success of the Reading system since 1896 may be attributed to the superior skill and science of modern business men, to efficiency in corporate management, to the scaling down of charges accomplished by the last reorganization and to the careful use of the additional capital supplied through the reorganization plan. Nor was the success due to higher prices of anthracite, as prior to the late war the advance in the various sizes of anthracite had been moderate. The more recent doubling of prices to the consumer followed as a result of the tremendous increases in wages and the rising costs of production.

No railroad other than the Reading carried the tonnage from the Reading mines prior to the control by the Reading Company and now that the Supreme Court has ordered the separation of the Reading Coal Co. from the Reading Railway it is highly probable that the Reading Railway will continue, as heretofore, to be the sole carrier to market of the products of the Reading collieries.

Both the mining and transportation of anthracite in modern times are conducted upon a huge scale. Science has provided better and more powerful explosives for the mine workers; it has furnished electric current for illumination and power. The modern railroad with its substantial roadbed, heavy rails, powerful locomotives and coal cars of great capacity is a giant compared with the pigmy when small hopper cars were used to carry coal. The docks and piers at tidewater equipped with the very best means of loading and unloading vessels, and the marine equipment itself are all so far ahead of the methods used in the olden days that the apparatus of 25 years ago appears puny and clumsy.

Men and good business methods are responsible for the very great development of the anthracite industry and the recent decision of the Supreme Court has destroyed neither of these. Therefore, no matter through what process of segregation the Reading and the Central R.R. of New Jersey may go in order to comply with the decree of the Court, the foundations will be undisturbed. Production of anthracite will continue as usual, and indeed it would be a great hardship if the communities which have relied upon this source of fuel should in any degree be cut off from their customary supplies. There must also be transportation of the coal from the mines to the markets and both the Reading Railway and the Central of New Jersey will no doubt

continue to haul their usual tonnage. The physical effect of the decision will consequently be small, as the business of mining and of transportation will still be conducted along the very highest lines of efficiency.

The unscrambling process, however, made necessary by the decision requiring a divesting and separation of financial interests, presents a most complicated problem. There are outstanding \$96,524,000 of Reading general mortgage 4s secured by liens upon both the coal properties and the railway. The general 4s do not mature until 1997. Another bond secured by a lien on both railroad and coal properties has been lost sight of, but which stands in much the same position as the Reading general 4s. The issue is known as the Philadelphia & Reading R.R. and the Philadelphia & Reading Coal & Iron Co. first series consolidated 4s, due in 1937. Besides being secured by second and third mortgages on parts of the railroad, they have a first lien on 100,000 acres of coal land of the Philadelphia & Reading Coal & Iron Co. This issue antedates the last Reading reorganization. The Reading Company owns \$14,504,000 of Central of New Jersey stock, all of which is pledged to secure an issue of \$23,000,000 of Reading-Jersey Central 4s which are redeemable at 105 and interest on any interest period upon six months' notice. The Central R.R. of New Jersey owns all of the \$8,489,650 of Lehigh & Wilkes-Barre Coal Co. stock, of which, according to "Poor's Manual," \$7,550,000 is pledged. This stock, as the decree of the Court is construed, must be disposed of.

There are still other complications which can only be straightened out when the decree is construed by the District Court at Philadelphia. The unscrambling process will take a very long time, and it was for this reason doubtless that the sudden rise of 15 points in the market value of Reading Company common following the announcement of the decision did not hold.

**STOCK DIVIDENDS SINCE THE U. S. SUPREME COURT DECISION.**

In view of the great interest attaching to the matter, we bring together in the following table all the declarations of stock dividends that have come to our notice since the decision of the U. S. Supreme Court on March 8 declaring that stock dividends are not taxable as income under Federal law.

We show (1) the amount of stock or shares outstanding at the time of the stock declaration; (2) the rate or percentage of the dividend, and (3) the amount in shares or stock by which the capital will be increased through the dividend.

STOCK DIVIDENDS VOTED OR RECOMMENDED BY BOARD.

On Common Stock—	Outstanding before Div.	%	Amount of Stock Div.
Aetolia Mills Corporation	\$2,000,000	50	\$1,000,000
American Glue Co.	\$1,500,000	150(1)	\$2,250,000
American Light & Traction Co.	\$25,057,219	2 1/2 Q.	\$626,430
American Multigraph Co.	\$1,000,000	20(1)	\$200,000
American Piano Co.	\$7,019,700	5Q	\$350,985
American Steel Foundries	\$17,184,000	6	\$1,031,040
American Thermos Bottle Co.	\$1,150,000	30	\$345,000
American Tobacco Co.	\$51,107,848	75	\$38,330,886
American Trading Co.	about \$2,124,420	100	\$2,124,420
Amoskeag Manufacturing Co.	172,800 shs.	100	*172,800 shs.
Arlington Mills	\$5,000,000	50	\$4,000,000
Art Metal Construction Co.	\$1,457,120	100	\$1,457,120
Autocar Company	\$3,000,000	40	\$1,200,000
Brier Hill Steel Co. (g)	\$12,500,000	20	\$2,500,000
British-American Tobacco Co., Inc.	\$12,811,412	25(1)	\$3,202,853
Brown Shoe Co., Inc.	\$6,300,000	33 1-3	\$2,100,000
Brunswick-Balke-Collender Co.	\$6,000,000	200	\$12,000,000
Chandler Motor Car Co.	210,000 shs.	33 1-3	*70,000 shs.
Chapman Valve Manufacturing Co.	\$500,000	100	\$500,000
Cleveland-Akron Bag Co.	\$2,950,000	50	\$1,475,000
Cleveland Automobile Co.	14,000 shs.	1,900	*266,000 shs.
Columbia Motors Co.	\$500,000	700	\$3,500,000
Columbia Graphophone Mfg. Co.	915,160 shs.	5	*45,768 shs.
Continental Oil Co.	\$3,000,000	200	\$6,000,000
Crowell & Thurlow SS. Co.	\$1,000,000	200(1)	\$2,000,000
Crucible Steel Co.	\$25,000,000	50	\$12,500,000
Detroit & Cleveland Navigation Co.	about \$5,000,000	25	\$1,250,000
Endicott-Johnson Co.	\$14,900,000	10	\$1,490,000
Federal Oil Co.	\$4,750,000	3	\$142,500



On Common Stock—	Outstanding before Div.	%	Amount of Stock Div.
Federal Motor Truck Co.	\$1,000,000	100	\$1,000,000
Foundation Company, New York	20,000 shs.	25	*5,000 shs.
Frye (John A.) Shoe Co.	\$250,000	200	\$500,000
General American Tank Car Co.	60,000 shs.	300	*180,000 shs.
General Chemical Co.	\$18,519,200	20	\$3,303,840
General Fireproofing Co.	\$1,017,500	50	\$508,750
See note (a)			
General Motors Corporation	\$155,957,200	2½Q.	\$389,893
Grassell Chemical Co.	\$16,121,000	20	\$3,224,200
Greenfield Tap & Die Corp.	80,000 shs.	50	40,000 shs.
Harblson-Walker Refractories Co.	\$18,000,000	50(f)	\$9,000,000
Hawaiian Pineapple Co.	\$1,600,000	25	\$400,000
Haynes Automobile Co.	\$2,500,000	60	\$1,500,000
Hood Rubber Co.	\$3,000,000	66 2-3	\$2,000,000
International Motor Truck Co.	70,777 shs.	100	*70,777 shs.
Katama Cotton Mills	\$1,500,000	33 1-3	\$500,000
Kelly-Springfield Tire Co.	\$5,532,200	3	\$165,966
Libby, McNeill & Libby	\$12,800,000	50	\$6,400,000
Manomet Mills	\$3,000,000	66 2-3	\$2,000,000
May Department Stores Co.	\$15,000,000	33 1-3	\$5,000,000
Middle States Oil Co.	about \$2,916,670	20	Paid in March \$583,330
Middle States Oil Co.	\$5,200,000	50	Pay'd in July \$2,600,000
Minneapolis Steel & Machine Co.	\$1,500,000	100	\$1,500,000
Monomac Spinning Co.	\$1,200,000	100	\$1,200,000
Nashua Manufacturing Co.	\$2,500,000	100	\$2,500,000
New England Investment Co.	\$3,000,000	100	\$3,000,000
New Jersey Zinc Co.	\$35,000,000	20(f)	\$7,000,000
Nicholson File Co.	\$5,000,000	100	\$5,000,000
Nonquilt Spinning Co.	\$2,400,000	100	\$2,400,000
Northwestern Leather Co.	\$576,690	333 abt.	\$1,923,310
Owens Bottle Co.	\$9,642,275	5	\$482,113
Paige-Detroit Motor Car Co.	\$1,500,000	33 1-3	\$500,000
Queen City Cotton Co.	\$750,000	100	\$750,000
Reynolds (R. J.) Tobacco Co.	\$20,000,000	200(f)	\$40,000,000
St. Maurice Paper Co.	\$5,000,000	30	\$1,500,000
Salmon Falls Manufacturing Co.	\$500,000	100	\$500,000
Seaconnet Cotton Mills	\$600,000	100(f)	\$600,000
Sears-Roebuck Co.	\$75,000,000	40(f)	\$30,000,000
Shinlar Consolidated Oil Corporation	See footnote (i) below.		
Standard Sanitary Manufacturing Co.	\$6,000,000	100	\$6,000,000
Stanley Works	\$2,500,000	100	\$2,500,000
Studebaker Corporation	\$45,000,000	33 1-3	\$15,000,000
Stutz Motor Car Co.	100,000 shs.	20	*20,000 shs.
Stutz Motor Car Co.	120,000 shs.	(h)66 2-3	*80,000 shs.
Thompson (John R.) Co.	\$4,500,000	33 1-3	\$1,500,000
Trumbull Steel Co.	\$14,000,000	Not yet determined.	
Truscum Steel Co.	\$1,444,650	20	\$288,930
Turner (J. Spencer) Co.	\$500,000	100	(b)\$500,000
Union Bag & Paper Co.	(c)\$10,000,000	50	\$5,000,000
United Fuel Gas Co.	\$10,000,000	200	\$20,000,000
United States Worsted Co.	(m)\$5,000,000	50	\$2,500,000
Wagner Electric Mfg. Co. of St. Louis	\$4,000,000	8	(d)
Waldorf System, Inc.	\$1,700,000	5	\$85,000
Whitaker-Glessner Co.	about \$3,869,700	400	\$19,348,500
Woolworth (F. W.) Co.	\$50,000,000	30(f)	\$15,000,000
Youngstown Sheet & Tube Co.	\$18,500,000	See footnote (e)	

[The following stock dividends have been reported by various newspapers, but have not yet been verified by us, and therefore are not included in the table above: Belton Mills, 100%; Easley Cotton Mills, 300%; Electric Welding Co., Boston, 50%; Electric Welding Co., Baltimore, 25%; Fair Bearing Co., 100%; Honolulu Iron Works, T. H., 140%; Riverside Manufacturing Co., 100%; Royal Worcester Corset Co., 200%; Traut & Hine Mfg. Co., 100%; Woodside Cotton Mills, 100%. \* No par value.

a General Motors Corp. 2½% stock dividend is payable on the \$155,957,200 Common stock (\$100 par value) or its equivalent in shares of no par value, ten of which are being issued for each \$100 share.

b To be paid out of surplus when the \$325,000 Common stock offered at par is paid for; \$175,000 outstanding April 27.

c Includes 664 shares reserved for exchange for outstanding shares of Preferred and Common stock of the Union Bag & Paper Co. in accordance with consolidation plan; outstanding, 99,336 shares.

d A stock dividend of 8% has been declared (4% payable in 1920, 4% 1921).

e A press report from Youngstown says that the directors "have decided to issue a stock dividend of more than 400%, or more than \$50,000,000," thus increasing the capital stock to \$100,000,000.

f The directors have voted to pay a stock dividend (amount stated above), provided the shareholders, at a meeting called for the purpose, shall authorize the proposed increase.

g The stockholders will vote on June 1 on increasing the Common stock and to declare an additional stock dividend (amount not fixed).

h Includes \$40,242,400 Common stock now outstanding and \$10,865,448 Class "B" Common which will be outstanding after conversion of the \$12,072,720 scrip.

i The directors have declared four quarterly stock dividends of 2% each, payable upon authorization of the stockholders, who will vote on same May 19. See V. 110, 1857, 1754, 1744.

j The new stock distributed as a stock dividend, will be designated as Class "B." k As recommended by the board. The stockholders voted May 8 to increase the stock from \$1,000,000 to \$4,000,000 and the directors, it is said, will formally declare the 200% dividend next week.

l The final steps in the matter of a stock dividend are yet pending and no announcement can be made at present.

m Assuming that all of the holders of the 2d Pref. stock exercise their option to exchange the same for Com., prior to June 15 the stock dividend will be paid on a total of \$5,000,000 Com. and will increase the outstanding issue thereof to \$7,500,000.

n Par value \$25.

over to the Federal Reserve banks, it will no longer be subject to the order of the Treasurer to shift from place to place to meet the demands.

At a meeting of the House Committee on this subject, last February, both Governor Harding of the Federal Reserve Board, and Mr. Hamlin, rightly served notice that they would resist in every way division of authority between them and the Treasury as to the management of the Federal Reserve banks.

Each Federal Reserve bank is serving its own district, and the experience as to currency shows that each bank will see to it that the coin in its possession does not leave its district, in the event that there is any possibility that it may be needed in the near future. The result will be that the Mints will be compelled to fill their vaults with coin and not distribute it among the Federal Reserve banks, unless absolutely necessary.

Where, then, will room be found for the trust funds of the Government—the gold, and the standard silver dollars? This gold is either held against the outstanding gold certificates, or is the Gold Settlement Fund of the Federal Reserve banks. The idea of permitting the banks to act as trustees for themselves is not in accordance with recognized good practice.

The Treasury has already asked and been denied an appropriation of two million dollars to build a vault in Washington to take care of these immense sums. Were storage room provided in Washington the Government's eggs would be in one basket, and the warning against this is proverbial.

It is perfectly simple to have transferred to the Federal Reserve banks all the assets of the Sub-Treasuries that are not composed of redundant coin, trust funds, or of silver certificates and United States notes against which are held redemption receipts issued by the Treasury or one of its branches.

It never seems to have been appreciated what a very valuable service the Sub-Treasuries render in sorting out the coin that has been defaced or worn.

The Sub-Treasuries are and ought to be branches of the Treasury at Washington, subject to the direction of the Secretary, and their great usefulness is sure to be appreciated when it is too late.

Governor Strong of the Federal Reserve Bank of New York, perhaps, has done as much as anyone to accomplish the abolition of the Sub-Treasuries. This bank will take possession of the Sub-Treasury building in New York, and many of the Sub-Treasury functions will have to be performed elsewhere.

It must be appreciated that none of the proper functions of the Sub-Treasuries are revenue producing functions; that the Federal Reserve banks are much more extravagantly run than the Treasury of the United States; that the Federal Reserve banks will in some way be compensated by the Government for this work, and therefore, the direct loss to the Government will be very substantial.

Practically all the functions that the Federal Reserve banks can or ought to perform have been taken away from the Sub-Treasuries. Still, if it can be judged from what has happened in this office, the Sub-Treasury employees are giving full time service to the Government.

If the significance of the proposed step were appreciated, I feel sure that the abolition would not take place.

Yours truly,

ARTHUR ESPY,  
Assistant Treasurer, U. S.

OPPOSES ABOLITION OF SUB-TREASURIES.

United States Sub-Treasury,  
Cincinnati, Ohio, May 1 1920.

The Editor of the "Commercial & Financial Chronicle."

My Dear Sir:—In the "Chronicle" of last week there is a statement as to the pending abolition of the Sub-Treasuries.

It is not appreciated by the proponents of the abolition, or by the public generally, what a great amount of valuable service the Sub-Treasuries are performing to-day at a very slight cost to the Government.

The wise separation of the Government from banking functions has been completed, and now it is proposed to turn over to the banks purely governmental functions. It is admitted that the Federal Reserve banks will perform the Sub-Treasury functions at a greater cost to the Government than it now costs to perform them.

It is asserted that approximately fifty million dollars, which represents the working capital of the Sub-Treasuries, will be released, and thereby, indirectly, a saving will be made. This fifty million consists principally of subsidiary silver and minor coin. Most of this is in the Sub-Treasuries because it is not needed in the channels of trade. The Sub-Treasuries are automatically a reservoir for redundant coin of this character. When, as proposed, this coin is turned

Current Events and Discussions

CONTINUED OFFERING OF BRITISH TREASURY BILLS.

The usual offering of ninety-day British Treasury bills was disposed of this week by J. P. Morgan & Co. on a discount basis of 6%, the rate which has been in effect for some time past. The bills in this week's offering are dated May 3.

RATE ON FRENCH TREASURY BILLS CONTINUED AT 6½%.

The French ninety-day Treasury bills were disposed of this week on a discount basis of 6½%—the figure to which the rate was advanced March 26; it had previously for some time been 6%. The bills in this week's offering are dated May 7.

**CANADIAN VICTORY PRICES AGAIN LOWERED.**

A further reduction in the price of Canadian Victory bonds by the Victory Bond Special Committee is announced in the Toronto "Globe" of May 5, which reports that the reduction ranges from 1/4 to 1 point and is made, according to the notice issued by the Secretary of the Committee, R. A. Daly, "to meet prevailing market conditions." In reporting the new prices, which we indicate below (along with the prices previously in force) the "Globe" states that the figures now announced represent the cost to the buyer, the amount received by the seller being one point less in each case:

Maturity—	New Price May 5.	Price Effective April 28.	Price Effective Mar. 27.	Price Authorized Mar. 20.	Price Announced Feb. 23.
1922	99	98 1/2-99 1/4	100	99 1/2	98-99
1923	99	98 1/2-99 1/4	99 3/4	99 1/4	98-99
1927	99 1/2	99-100	100 1/2	100	99-100
1933	99 1/2	99 1/2-100 1/2	101 1/2	100 1/2	99-100
1937	101	101-102	103	102	100-101
1924	98	97 1/2-98 1/2	99	98 1/2	96 1/2-97 1/2
1934	96	96-97	97	97	96-97

The previous lowering of the price was noted in our issue of May 1, page 1797.

**REPORTS AS TO DISCONTINUANCE OF FOREIGN TRADE SUPPORT BY WAR FINANCE CORPORATION.**

It was said last night that Eugene Meyer Jr. of the War Finance Corporation had declined to comment on reports, current the past few days, to the effect that the War Finance Corporation would discontinue about May 15 the making of loans in support of foreign commerce. Mr. Meyer, however, it is stated, indicated that some announcement might be forthcoming next week.

**PHILIP B. KENNEDY TO BECOME VICE-PRESIDENT OF FIRST FEDERAL FOREIGN BANKING CORPORATION.**

The First Federal Foreign Banking Association announces that Philip B. Kennedy, Director of the Bureau of Foreign and Domestic Commerce in Washington, has accepted a position as Vice-President. He will begin his duties about June 15th. Reference to the organization of the Association was made in our issue of April 24, page 1701.

**SEVENTH NATIONAL FOREIGN TRADE CONVENTION NEXT WEEK.**

The coming week the Seventh National Foreign Trade Convention will be held in San Francisco under the auspices of the National Foreign Trade Council. The convention will open on May 12 and will extend over the 13th, 14th and 15th inst. The general convention theme will be "The Effect of Being a Creditor Nation." At the first general session on May 12 the topic will be "Fundamentals of Our Foreign Trade," the speakers and the subjects they will discuss being as follows: "The Relation of Our Productive Capacity to Our Foreign Trade," by James A. Farrell, Chairman National Foreign Trade Council, President U. S. Steel Corporation. "The Financial Situation as Applied to Foreign Trade," by Fred L. Lipman, Vice-President Wells Fargo Nevada National bank, and "Foreign Exchange," by Fred I. Kent, Vice-President Bankers Trust Co., New York.

At the second general session, May 12, the session topic will be "Exports and Imports" and the addresses on that occasion will be: "The Function of Imports in Our Foreign Trade," by George E. Roberts, Vice-President National City Bank; "The Future of Our Exports," by Frederick J. Koster, President California Barrel Co., and "Railway Service in Foreign Trade," by William Sproule, President Southern Pacific Ry.

"Foreign Trade Policies" is the session topic chosen for the Third General session on May 13, "The Merchant Marine" for the Fourth General session on May 14, and "National Program for Foreign Trade" the topic for the Fifth General session on May 15. A number of subjects which will be given consideration at the Group sessions, among which will be "Financing Foreign Trade" (in co-operation with the American Bankers' Association). This discussion assigned to Group II, is slated for May 12, the addresses being as follows: "Through Credits and Investments," by John E. Gardin, International Banking Corporation; "Through Foreign Finance Corporation," by Frank B. Anderson, President, Bank of California; "Possibilities

Under the Edge Law," Elmer H. Youngman, Bankers' Magazine, and a discussion by Allen Walker, Guaranty Trust Co.

"Banking Service to Foreign Trade" will form the topic to be treated at the session of Group VI on May 13, the speakers being as follows: "Foreign Trade Promotion Through the Banks," by W. E. Aughinbaugh, "New York Commercial;" "Inland Banks and Foreign Trade," by W. C. Dunlap, Treasurer American Multigraph Co., and "Need for Standard American Letter of Credit," by Marc M. Michael, Treasurer Consolidated Steel Corp.

"Foreign Credits and Credit Information" will be the subject for discussion on May 13 before Group IX (in co-operation with the National Association of Credit Men) and the program on this occasion will be:

1. Address: "The Importance of Foreign Credits," Henry S. McKee, Vice-President Merchants National Bank, Los Angeles. Discussion leader: John Clausen, Vice-President Union National Bank, Seattle.

2. Address: "Difficult Problems and How to Solve Them," E. G. Swift, Getz Bros. Discussion leader: C. K. McIntosh, Vice-President Bank of California.

3. Discussion: "Credit Insurance, Is it Feasible? Is it Desirable?" Discussion leaders: George R. Meyercord, American Manufacturers Foreign Credit Insurance Exchange; Mark O. Prentiss, U. S. Clearing House of Foreign Credits.

Other discussions before the group sessions will be:

Group I—"Education for Foreign Trade." II—"Transportation and Communication." IV—"Foreign Trade Advertising." V—"Direct Selling abroad." VII—"Sources of Imports." VIII—"Foreign Trade and the Press." X—"American Trade with Russia." XI—"Practical Problems of the Export Manager." XII—"Webb Law in Operation." XIII—"Pacific Problems."

**L. C. LEFFINGWELL DECLARES GOVERNMENT EXPENDITURE TO BE ROOT OF INFLATION.**

"Since Armistice day the world has not only failed to make progress towards the restoration of healthy economic life, but in fact has receded further from a sound position," was the statement made by L. C. Leffingwell, Assistant Secretary of the Treasury, in an address delivered on April 30 before the Academy of Political Science in New York. Mr. Leffingwell, whose remarks were offered under the head "Treasury Methods of Financing the War in Relation to Inflation," stated that "inflation here since Armistice Day is attributable to three principal causes; (a) world inflation and the internationalization of prices; (b) heavy expenditures by our own Government and Government interference with business; (c) reaction and waste among our people." "Our own prices," said Mr. Leffingwell, "are being inflated and our own banking and currency position expanded by the feverish speculation in European currencies, credits and securities, including those of countries with which we are still technically in a State of War." "Government expenditure," Mr. Leffingwell declared, "is at the root of inflation all over the world." He added that "the interference of Government in railroad affairs, begun many years before we entered the war, has subjected business and industry to the gravest hardships for lack of adequate transportation and has involved a great additional strain upon our credit facilities." It is safe to say," he said, "that the Government's expenditures and losses on account of railroads and its investments in the railroads will shortly amount to \$2,350,000,000." Referring to the expenditures of the U. S. Shipping Board, Mr. Leffingwell stated that "the actual cash expenditures since Armistice Day amounted to approximately \$1,600,000,000, while Congress deliberated as to our shipping policy. Notwithstanding the fact that it has been engaged in commercial shipping at a time when it is exceptionally profitable, the Shipping Board, has made as yet no net return to the Treasury, its expenditures still exceeding its receipts." "Why, he said, are railroads being run to-day at a loss at the Government's expense? To what end are we moving in our shipping policy?" He also said:

Instead of telling the people frankly and boldly that prices are high because they are wasting, we fix prices and prosecute profiteers in order that the people may buy more and pay less.

Instead of telling the people that Liberty bonds have depreciated because they are treating their Liberty bonds as spending money, we clamor that the rate of interest upon the bonds is too low and urge a bonus to bondholders disguised as a refunding operation.

Instead of telling the young men who were drafted to fight the war, and who came back better and stronger and more fit to fight their own battles than they ever were before, to go to work and save their money and look out for themselves as any self-respecting man should, we listen complacently to their organized demands for a bonus, euphemistically called 'adjusted compensation.'

"For plain living and high thinking" the Assistant Secretary said, "we have substituted wasting and bickering. We enjoy high living while we grumble at the high cost of living—of silk stockings for the poor, of automobiles for men of small means, of palaces for the profiteer and the plutocrat."



"Unhealthily stimulated," Mr. Leffingwell continued, "commercial business appears to prosper and commercial expansion proceeds unchecked." He added:

From March, 1919, to March, 1920, though holdings of and loans upon Government war securities of all reporting member banks of the Federal Reserve system (about 800 member banks in leading cities believed to control about 40% of the commercial bank deposits of the country) decreased from \$4,000,000,000 to something over \$2,000,000,000, their other loans and investments increased from \$10,000,000,000 to over \$14,000,000,000. For every dollar of credit released by the Government, two dollars were extorted by business. From May 2 1919, to March 19 1920, though the Reserve banks reduced their loans and discounts upon Government war securities from \$1,800,000,000 to \$1,400,000,000, they increased their other loans and discounts from \$350,000,000 to \$1,400,000,000.

High rates of interest and discount, limitations of currency and credit, these and all other traditional methods, Mr. Leffingwell contended, "should be used courageously, but they will not," he said, "suffice under the abnormal world conditions now prevailing." In pointing out the remedies Mr. Leffingwell said, "We must get together, stop bickering and face the critical situation which confronts the world." "We must cut Government expenditure to the quick, abjure bonuses, and realize promptly upon all saleable war assets, including ships, applying the proceeds to the war debt." "We must," he said, "have a National budget with teeth in it—we must promptly revise our tax laws to make them more equitable—we must restore the railroads to a self-supporting basis by establishing rates which will insure a return for capital and labor commensurate with the return to be had elsewhere at a time when there is a world wide shortage of both." Mr. Leffingwell's remarks in large part were as follows:

The rapidity with which our financial and economic resources were mobilized made possible the termination of the war a year sooner than had been hoped by the most optimistic. Our military and economic effort was, I believe, planned to reach the peak in the spring or summer 1919. Though hostilities ceased on November 11 1918, the Treasury was called upon to meet expenditures to the average amount of about \$2,000,000,000 a month in November and December 1918, and January 1919—the full amount of the First Liberty Loan each month. The peak of the war debt was not reached until Aug. 31 1919 (when the floating debt amounted to over \$4,000,000,000, and the total gross debt amounted in round figures to \$26,596,000,000), and it was not until January 1920 that the Treasury was able to reduce the floating debt to manageable amount and maturities.

In the period, lacking six days of three years, from the declaration of war to March 31 1920, on the basis of Treasury daily statements, excluding transactions in the principal of the public debt, the Government's current expenditures amounted in round figures to \$37,455,000,000 and its current receipts to \$14,198,000,000, the difference being covered by a net increase in the public debt of \$23,257,000,000. On March 31 1920 the gross debt had been decreased by about \$19,000,000,000 to \$24,698,000,000 from taxes and salvage, including in the latter item the reduction of the net balance in the general fund made possible by the reduced ordinary and public debt disbursements.

Though the current months of April and May will show an important increase in the public debt, in large measure due to the heavy burdens thrown upon the Treasury in connection with the return of the railroads to private control, the Treasury is hopeful that the ground lost in the first two months of this last quarter of the fiscal year will be regained in June when another installment of income and profits taxes is payable, and that the end of the fiscal year on June 30 1920, will show a reduction in the gross debt of somewhere near \$1,750,000,000 from the peak in August, 1919, and the operations of the whole fiscal year will show a decrease in the gross debt of some \$600,000,000 which is more than accounted for, however, by the decreased balance in the general fund. This means that for the fiscal year beginning seven months after the cessation of hostilities three days after the signing of a peace treaty which is still unratified by America, and two months before the peak of the war debt was reached, the United States should balance its budget within a couple of hundred million dollars—current receipts against current expenditures.

The total disbursements of \$37,455,000,000 include expenditures for loans to the Allies and obligations taken from the Allies and other Governments upon the sale of goods on credit in the aggregate amount of, say, \$10,000,000,000, and in addition several billion dollars worth of more or less salvageable investments. To what extent and with which degree of expedition these investments may be liquidated depends upon questions of public policy as well as practical finance.

The most rigid economy in Governmental expenditure should be enforced adequate revenue from taxes should be maintained and rigorous salvage methods adopted with a view to the rapid retirement of the floating debt and of a portion of the Victory Loan before maturity. If due progress is made in reducing the floating debt, Victory Notes should be accepted at par in payment of the five income and profits tax installments falling due in the calendar year 1922 and the first quarter of the calendar year 1923; or if the notes are then selling at or above par, a portion of them should be called for redemption in June and December 1922. This would raise the level of all other Government securities and make possible the refunding of the reduced balance of the Victory Loan upon terms advantageous to the Government.

These measures are feasible and necessary. If, however, we reduce taxes, increase expenditures and delay salvage operations, the Government's financial predicament will be grave for the debt outstanding and maturing within three years amounts to \$8,000,000,000.

The maturities and redemption dates of the Liberty Bonds and Victory Notes were arranged conveniently for the retirement of the public debt. The sinking fund will retire the entire funded war debt (over and above the amount of obligations of foreign governmental held by the United States) within less than twenty-five years if, say, \$1,250,000,000 a year is provided for the service of the debt, including interest and sinking fund.

#### The Treasury's Methods.

The methods pursued for accomplishing these results were intended to and did hold the inevitable war inflation in this country down to a minimum. There are three ways of financing Government expenditures: taxes, loans and paper money. The last and worst of these methods was resorted to, to a greater or less extent, by all the European belligerents, and, to a disastrous extent, by some. It was avoided in the United States as a means of

meeting the Government's war expenditures. The Government did not issue paper money; nor did it borrow directly from the Banks of issue except (a) temporary borrowings for a day or a few days at a time which were promptly repaid by withdrawals from depository banks or out of tax receipts, and (b) certificates sold to Federal Reserve Banks under the Pittman Act as a basis for the issue of Federal Reserve Bank notes to replace silver withdrawn from circulation and sold to the British Government for India. There have been a few instances of purchases of Treasury certificates of public issues by one or more of the Federal Reserve Banks but these have been in such small amounts of such brief duration as to be negligible.

**Taxation.** The Treasury persistently and, on the whole, successfully insisted that one-third of the current war expenditures should be met from current taxes. The effort to go further would probably have defeated itself and made the speeding up of production for the winning of the war impossible. When tax rates are low, the inequalities, injustices and economic injuries from errors in the incidence of taxation are slight enough but as rates go higher their consequence become graver. The income of the business man in a period when the demand is for increased production ought to be turned back into his business. The income of the *rentier* ought to be taken up to the point where the most rigid economy in personal expenditures would be enforced. As a practical matter the distinction cannot be made so we impose taxes as high as we dare upon both and seek to take the surplus income of the *rentier* by loans.

The first War Revenue Act became law on October 3 1917, about six months after the declaration of war. Six or seven months later it became apparent to the Treasury that war expenditures were mounting very rapidly and, immediately after the Third Liberty Loan, the Treasury took steps to obtain additional revenue from taxation, demanding \$8,000,000,000 in taxes against a rough estimate of 24,000,000,000 of expenditures. The proposal was resisted bitterly by leaders of both parties in Congress, who were anxious to adjourn for the summer and were looking forward to a general election in the fall. The issue was laid before the President, who, after careful consideration, sustained the Treasury and on May 27 1918, delivered a special message to Congress demanding an increase of taxes. After months of delay the House passed a bill estimated to produce \$8,000,000,000 of taxes, but this bill was still before the Senate Finance Committee when the armistice was signed. The Treasury, three days after armistice, reduced its estimates of expenditures for the fiscal year from \$24,000,000,000 to \$18,000,000,000 (a figure which proved to be correct within a few hundred millions of dollars) and advised the reduction of the taxes to be carried by the pending bill from \$8,000,000,000 to \$6,000,000,000 for the current year and \$4,000,000,000 for subsequent years. These recommendations were ultimately adopted in the second War Revenue Act, which did not, however, become law until Feb. 24 1919.

The Treasury's tax policy measurably limited the inflation inevitably incident to the war. But we must not assume that to the full extent that Government expenditures are met from taxes inflation is avoided. There are good and bad taxes. Congress gave effect to the demands of the Treasury as to the amount of revenue required, but the House of Representatives and the Ways and Means Committee of that House are very jealous of the right and duty which they believe to be theirs to initiate revenue measures. The Treasury was consulted and given the most courteous consideration and the fullest opportunity to express its views, but the tax bills were written in Committee and the Treasury's views were overruled in many important instances.

The Treasury, though favoring and indeed urging the war profits tax as a tax upon profits roughly attributable to the war, strongly opposed the excess profits tax as a tax upon profits in excess of a given return upon invested capital. Experience has shown, what the Treasury always asserted, that the excess profits tax discourages initiative and enterprise, rewards overcapitalization and discourages conservatism in capitalization, confirms great corporations in their monopolies, encourages extravagance and wasteful management, and adds to the cost of living.

Similarly the Treasury advised against excessive rates of surtax and urged heavier rates of normal tax. Excessive surtaxes do not produce revenue but drive capital into the billions of exempt securities; and the manufacture of additional amounts of exempt securities is stimulated by the very existence of these high surtax rates. This encourages wasteful or defensible expenditure by States and municipalities at a time when the worldwide shortage of capital makes it urgently necessary that out capital resources be conserved for productive business. Graduated surtaxes are necessary and desirable socially, but, particularly where there exist billions of dollars of securities carrying exemption from these taxes, exemption from these taxes, excessive surtax rates defeat their own ends and, in the last analysis, the burden is shifted to the community as a whole because of the consequent shortage of capital for useful and necessary purposes.

The departure from the Treasury's views concerning surtaxes and normal taxes has seriously impaired the market value of Liberty Bonds, which are exempt from the normal taxes, but within certain limitations, subject to surtaxes. It is within the power of Congress, by reducing surtaxes and increasing normal taxes, to lift Liberty Bonds to practically any market level it chooses.

In the last analysis, taxes can only be paid out of income, and the best tax is a properly graduated income tax. When a tax is imposed upon something else, or measured in some other way, the taxpayer who has not current income a valuable must shift the burden to some one else. If possible he will shift it to the ultimate consumer. Capital taxes, including retroactive war profits taxes, and excessive surtaxes, excess profits taxes and sales taxes—all these must be shifted sooner or later—after much economic disorder in some cases—if possible to the consumer. Because the whole income of the poor man is spent on things he consumes, and the greater part of the income of the man of modest means but a negligible part of the income of the rich man, taxes of this sort are unjust and unnecessarily burdensome.

There is an even greater evil in these indirect taxes and that lies in the fact that Congress is perpetually urged to make expenditures out of the public purse for the benefit of some class or group in the community. A system of indirect taxation makes it possible to conceal from the great mass of the voters upon whom the burdens fall the fact that they are being mulcted in order to confer special benefits upon a part of the community. The notion that in some mysterious way the other fellow will pay, the profiteer or the plutocrat—or perhaps the general public without knowing it—leads to wasteful expenditure.

Thus the beneficent effects of the Treasury's policy to pay as we go one-third of the war expenditures from taxes were limited by the character of the taxes imposed. Inflation was avoided to an important extent because the spending power of the individual was curtailed and transferred to the Government without the issue by the Government of credit instruments. The full value, however, of these measures was not obtained because certain of the taxes imposed tended to dissipate or penalize capital and inflate prices.

**Liberty Loans.** When the war began the investment bankers of the country had, it is said, sold bonds of all kinds to some four hundred thousand



persons. The Treasury grappled with the problem of loans boldly, relying upon the patriotism and capacity for self-sacrifice of the American people; it devised a sound plan of decentralized organization for mobilizing the financial resources of the country; and it promptly drew into its headquarters staff experts from the business and financial world, who gave to the fine old Treasury organization the necessary leadership for solving the problems of the war.

The Sixty-fifth Congress convened on the 2nd of April 1917, war was declared on the 6th, and the First Liberty Loan Act was approved on the 24th. It was the third Act passed by the Sixty-fifth Congress, being preceded only by two deficiency appropriation bills. Bankers differed in their opinions as to the amount of bonds which could be sold, some believing that the amount might run as high as \$1,500,000,000, others that it must not exceed \$500,000,000. The Treasury demanded \$2,000,000,000 and the loan was oversubscribed fifty percent. The Treasury disregarded all accepted methods of bond selling, paid no commissions, employed the Federal Reserve Banks as fiscal agents, and called upon the leaders in the banking and business world in every community to form Liberty Loan Committees and lead the movement. In organization it pursued a policy of decentralization, vesting leadership in the Governor of the Federal Reserve Bank of each district and in committees appointed by him.

The First Liberty Loan not only filled the Treasury for the moment but is prepared the American people for the draft and made them realize the war. It taught millions of them what a bond is and how to save and pay for one.

From May, 1917, to May 1919, the country was thrown by the Treasury every six months into throes of a Liberty Loan campaign—five loan campaigns in two years. It is estimated that 20,000,000 people or more subscribed for some or all of the loans, and that 2,000,000 people took part as workers in one or all of the campaigns. During these two years, covering the whole period of our participation in the war and six months after the fighting stopped, no one in America was ever allowed to forget that there was a war, that he had a part in it, that that part included buying Liberty Bonds, and that to do so he must save money. In the history of finance no device was ever evolved so effective for procuring saving as the Liberty Loan campaigns. Every one was always buying a Liberty Bond, or trying to pay for one, or getting ready to buy bonds of the next issue. The first, Second, Third, Fourth and Victory Loan campaigns stand out in my mind as the most magnificent economic achievement of any people. For conception, direction and detail the Treasury is entitled to credit and must assume responsibility, but for the actual achievement of 100,000,000 united people inspired by the finest and purest patriotism no man or group of men could be so foolish as to imagine themselves responsible. Those Liberty Loans were the principal instrument in raising cash and getting the people to save for the war.

In fixing the terms of the loans the Treasury and always one major consideration in mind, and it perhaps accounts for some divergence of opinion between the Treasury and some of the bankers. It was not from a wilful desire to make the sale of bonds hard, but from a determination to finance the war so that it should never be lost for financial reasons, that the Treasury sold long bonds, and sold bonds at low rates of interest. There must never come an end of the war in defeat because of lack of foresight, lack of courage to take the first steps in a careful, thoughtful way, looking to the possibility of a long war. In addition to the effect of high rates of interest and short maturities in depreciating other securities and in causing apprehension as to the future, must be kept in mind the psychological effect at home and abroad.

As to maturity, the experience of the Governments of the Allies showed conclusively the grave embarrassment which must confront any government in the course of a long war which failed to place long-time bonds.

The theory that short bonds would keep themselves at par has not been sustained in practice. Very much the highest interest bases have been established by the short bonds and notes of this and other governments. The explanation is simple. When bonds are sold, to the accompaniment of patriotic appeal, to an amount in excess of the normal investment demand, subscribers who have overbought sell first the bonds which they can sell with the least loss of principal. They do not bother much about the interest basis.

Given the necessity of selling bonds of long maturity, it was undesirable to burden the country with a high interest rate for a long period of time with the moral certainty that very high interest rates would drive the bonds to a premium long before maturity. But above all, the Treasury must give ground slowly, remembering that the limit of the task was not in sight and that the credit of the Government of the United States was the last financial resource of the Allies. We were engaged, in war, not conducting a commercial operation. Indeed there was no rate of interest which would float several billion dollars of Liberty Bonds or Notes as a commercial operation.

But the bankers differed as much with each other as with the Treasury, and I do not recall any instance when there was any considerable opinion in favor of a rate in respect to any Liberty issue note than one-quarter of one percent. higher than the rate actually adopted by the Treasury. A comparison of the present opinions of some financiers and publicists with those expressed during the war, and of record in the Treasury, would furnish amusing reading.

When the Treasury fixed the terms of the Victory Loan I was told by a banker, who is second to none as an expert in the distribution of securities, that they were unnecessarily attractive. A leading newspaper criticized the issue bitterly on the same ground. The attractiveness of the issue was proclaimed by the financiers of the country with such unanimity that serious apprehension was aroused lest the people at large should get the impression that the Victory Notes were so attractive that they might leave them safely to the bankers and business men and that no subscriptions involving self-denial on their part were necessary to assure the success of the loan. The head of the Publicity Bureau of the Liberty Loan Organization, after a tour of the country, told me that the Treasury had jeopardized the success of the loan and destroyed the patriotic appeal by offering notes upon such attractive terms. Federal Reserve authorities became very apprehensive lest the banking institutions of the country should subscribe heavily for their own account and the Treasury and the Governors of the Federal Reserve Banks were hard put to it to prevent their doing so. Recently the 4½% Victory Notes have been selling on an interest basis of about 6¼%.

The rates of interest determined upon by the Treasury were at the time fair rates for the Government to pay, having regard to the exemptions from taxation which the bonds and notes carry and their maturity. No one could foresee the probable course of the market for the bonds and notes in the immediate future with any degree of confidence. A year ago it was freely predicted by financial authorities that Victory Notes would shortly go to a premium and that Liberty Bonds would be selling at or near par within a year or two.

Every one knows why these sanguine expectations have not been realized. With the armistice, and still more after the Victory Loan, our people underwent a great reaction. Those who had bought Liberty Bonds as a matter of patriotism, but not as investor, began to treat their bonds as so much

spending money. Those who had obeyed the injunction to borrow and buy Liberty Bonds ignored the complementary injunction to save and pay for them. A \$50 bond in the hands of a patriot turned spendthrift was to him a \$50 bill to be spent Saturday night, or, to her, a new hat, and if the \$50 bill turned out to be a \$45 bill, small matter. This was the first and most immediate cause of the depreciation of Liberty Bonds, affecting them particularly. I shall mention later other conditions affecting the general situation and them incidentally.

I doubt whether higher rates of interest on Liberty Bonds, which would have meant more taxes for the taxpayer and more spending money for the bondholder, would have had any other effect than to increase the inflation which has been rampant since the Victory Loan.

"Some people argue that a low rate of interest makes people save more because it is necessary for them to save more in order to acquire independence. Others maintain that a high rate of interest induces people to save because they can see the direct advantage of doing so. Both these arguments are probably true in some cases. But, as a rule, people who have the instinct of saving will save, within certain limits, whatever the rate of interest may be. When the rate of interest is low they will certainly not reduce their saving because each hundred pounds that they put away brings them in comparatively little and when the rate of interest is high the attraction of the high rate will also deter them from diminishing the amount they put aside."—War-Time Financial Problem, Hartley Withers, page 7.

Some critics say that the Treasury should have foreseen the after-the-war reaction and, in order to protect bondholders from the consequences of their own acts, issued the bonds and notes at rates of interest which would insure a market price for them at or near par even in the period of reaction. This is inflationist doctrine. The bonds and notes were never meant to be treated as spending money. The Civil War gave us our fill of interest-bearing currency. Depreciation in market price serves as a check upon those who wish to spend their bonds.

There was no plan of financing the war or of financing the period of readjustment which would protect the holders of the Government's securities or the Government's credit against subsequent folly and waste.

*War Savings.* The Liberty Loan campaigns were supplemented by the work of the War Savings Organization, which disseminated sound economic doctrine and produced some cash.

*Treasury Certificates.* By selling Treasury certificates in anticipation of each Liberty Loan and of income and profits tax installments the Treasury provided current funds to meet outgo, made provision against the money strain which would have been involved if Liberty Loan and tax installments had been paid on one or several days without anticipatory borrowing, and, more important in economic effect, tapped the credit resources of the banks and trust companies of the United States and mobilized them for the uses of the Government, thus limiting commercial inflation during the period when the Government was the principal buyer and needed to have the credit resources of the country placed at its disposal.

The Treasury issued as great and as frequent long loans as the market could absorb—in fact, greater and more frequent than the market could absorb. The point of saturation for long Government loans had been reached—and passed—with the Fourth Liberty Loan. Investors require diversification of their investments. In a little over two years we created \$25,300,000,000 of debt (at the maximum). It was bad enough to ask the people to absorb that amount of the obligations of one Government. It would have been intolerable to insist upon their buying only bonds of one character, that is, long-time bonds. After armistice the only way to get additional investment money into Government securities was to offer some diversification of terms and this was done by issuing Victory Notes and thereafter by revolving Treasury certificates.

The result of forcing out more long loans would have been the perpetuation of the war debt. There is no greater influence towards economy of expenditure and maintenance of adequate revenue than the existence of short dated debt. No Administration could have resisted the pressure for reduction of taxes and increase of expenditures if the war debt at its maximum of \$25,300,000,000 had been funded, and it had subsequently appeared that taxes and salvage would more than meet current expenditure. The time to pare down war debt is immediately after the war.

During the war Treasury certificates were sold largely to taxpayers in anticipation of taxes. Since the Victory Loan campaign efforts to procure distribution of both tax and loan certificates among investors have been increased and marked success has attended them. The banking institutions of the country have been asked to buy the certificates and sell them to their customers and their fine efforts to that end have been supplemented by mailing circulars describing each issue of certificates to a selected list of taxpayers and bondholders of the United States. The success of these efforts is evidenced by the fact that on April 16 1920, of \$2,693,808,500 loan and tax certificates outstanding only \$462,114,000 were pledged with Federal Reserve banks as security for loans and discounts. In view of the fact that the Reserve banks were maintaining a preferential rate for paper so secured, it is safe to assume that the remaining \$2,231,000,000 certificates were in the hands of investors, including banks which were not borrowers.

*War Loan Deposits.* Technically the Treasury's special depository system is one of the most interesting, as it is one of the most valuable, devices for financing the war. Our problems were different from those of European countries. We had to deal with some thirty thousand independent banks and trust companies scattered all over the United States. The device of "payment by credit" was worked out in connection with the First Liberty Loan at a Sunday conference in May 1917, between representatives of the Treasury, of the Federal Reserve Board and of the New York Liberty Loan Committee. Unchanged in principle from that date to this, but simplified and perfected in the course of three years, it served to weld together and mobilize for war the banking resources of the United States, including in the Government's depository banking system ten thousand of the thirty thousand banking institutions of the country.

"Payment by credit" is a device for permitting the banking institutions which purchase Government securities to defer payment for them until the Government actually needs the money. It was adopted to prevent money stringency. It developed the further advantage that in the difference between the rate borne by the securities and the rate charged on the deposit, banks found some compensation for their time, trouble and the loss of deposits resulting from the sale of securities to investors. If, instead of permitting the banks to make payment by credit, the Treasury had required them to make payment in cash and held the cash, it is apparent that the operation simply could not have been carried out. A very modest increase in the balances in Treasury offices involves money strain. The attempt to make payment into Treasury offices in cash on one day of the proceeds of the smallest issue of Treasury certificates—not to mention Liberty Loan or tax payment—would create a panic. Bankers and the public have become so accustomed to the ease and smoothness with which Treasury operations are conducted that they take them for granted; yet two years ago the business and banking community was in an uproar because of the fear of money strain in connection with the first great income and profits tax payment—a strain which never occurred because the Treasury's arrangements to deal with the situation were so complete.



"Payment by credit" was well calculated to limit inflation incidental to war borrowing. If, instead of permitting the banks to make payment by credit, the Treasury had required them to make payment in cash and had them reposit the proceeds, to the extent that it did not require to make immediate use of them, it would have pursued a course more likely to create inflation. If the Government were to draw into the Reserve Banks and the Treasury offices cash in excess of its current requirements, the first effect would be to make money very tight, and increase money rates, with consequent interference with the Government's financial operations. The second effect would be heavy discounts by the Reserve banks to meet the demands so artificially created. Discounts so made would be for periods from one to ninety days. Upon the reposit of the proceeds of certificates depository banks would be put in possession of loanable funds.

It was better to make one bite of the cherry and to avoid the money strain and inflation which would have been inevitable if the money had been first drawn out of the banks and then reposit with them.

In order to sell Liberty Bonds and Victory Notes it was necessary to give subscribers the option of making immediate payment in full or of making payment in installments over a period of months. This injected an element of great uncertainty into the Treasury's calculations. It was quite impossible precisely to anticipate receipts under these circumstances. As a matter of fact the privilege of making payment in full on the opening day was largely availed of and the Government's balances were consequently swollen until certificates of indebtedness issued in anticipation of the loan matured or could be called for earlier redemption. This was done as promptly as possible, but the operations were on so huge a scale that it was a matter of two weeks after a payment was made before the Treasury could obtain really reliable information as to the amount of the payment.

The same principle (payment by credit) was employed in handling the great tax payment in June, 1918 (which was only about half covered by anticipatory borrowing) although modified necessarily in detail. Checks received, drawn on qualified depository banks, were forwarded to them and the amount credited by them in the War Loan Deposit account. This was done instead of collecting the checks and repositing the proceeds.

A similar problem, though not of such great dimensions, presents itself in connection with the current routine business of the Government under war and armistice conditions. The ideal thing would be to have the Government's receipts precisely equal its expenditures from day to day. That ideal, however, being impossible of attainment, the Treasury has consistently pursued the policy of borrowing sufficiently in advance to meet its requirements, without direct borrowing from the Federal Reserve banks. The Treasury plans to sell certificates to an amount sufficient to cover the estimated requirements for some three weeks in advance. This is a small margin of safety in view of the impossibility of estimating closely. It is physically impossible to issue Treasury certificates more frequently than every two weeks and it takes ordinarily two weeks from the date of the offering of an issue of Treasury certificates to the date of closing the issue for the ascertainment of its results. Sometimes it happens that the Treasury miscalculates its cash requirements and borrows in excess of the amount which turns out to be actually necessary at the time. That happened last September. Sometimes it underestimates its requirements. That happened only last month. Indeed, it is very much more difficult to gauge the current income and outgo now than it was during the period of active warfare. Expenditures increased at the rate of about \$100,000,000 a month pretty regularly during the war. The physical limitations upon production and transportation prevented expenditures increasing by leaps and bounds—imposed a certain sobriety upon them. There has been no similar brake upon the decrease since armistice. In consequence of settlements and sales of accumulated stores, receipts and expenditures have jumped about in such a way as to make them utterly impossible of calculation. The Treasury has no control over the expenditures or salvage operations of other departments.

A depository bank, when it makes a "payment by credit" does not put itself in possession of loanable funds. What actually happens is that the bank becomes possessed of an asset, to wit, Treasury certificates, and is charged with a liability, to wit, an entry in the Government's war loan deposit account. It does not have any money to lend or spend until it sells the certificates or borrows on them. Like most human devices, payment-by credit may be subject to abuse, as, for instance, by the application of the proceeds of sale or borrowings on the certificates to other purposes than meeting the Government's calls, but the Governors of the Federal Reserve banks, under the wise guidance of the Federal Reserve Board, have been alert to prevent such abuse.

The view that bank deposits are potential currency is inapplicable to the deposits created in the Government's war loan account. No checks are ever drawn upon or charged against the Government's war loan deposit account with depository banks. Remittances are made by them to Reserve banks on receipt of letter or telegram.

"As many people may be puzzled by the assertion that the Government increases the currency by borrowing from banks, it is better to explain the process briefly here, though in another book I have already shown how loans made by banks produce manufactured money by adding to the banks' deposits, which embody the right of their customers to draw the cheques which are the chief form of currency that we now use." Hartly Withers, *Our Money and The State*, page 61.

The number and amount of United States Government disbursing officers' checks outstanding or in process of collection at any given moment of time is not affected by the amount of the Government's deposits in depository banks. The Treasury has no control over the drawing of these checks and the credit of the Government of the United States has at all times been sufficient to float them regardless of its bank balances. These checks have involved an important expansion of currency. The treasurer of the United States handled as many as 300,000 checks in one day during the war. He is now handling something like 80,000 checks a day. This is not potential currency, but real currency. We have struggled to keep enough money in the bank to meet these checks as they come in, but the checks have been floated not on the faith of our bank deposits but in the general credit of the United States Government.

**Collateral Agencies.** During the war many collateral agencies were created to conserve and mobilize the resources of the country and limit the inflation of prices and the expansion of currency and credit. Some were initiated by, others were quite independent of, though acting in cooperation with, the Treasury. The Capital Issues Committee discouraged issues for non-essential purposes. The Subcommittee on Money of the New York Liberty Loan Committee fixed the price of call money and rationed credit to the stock market. The Division of Foreign Exchange of the Federal Reserve Board licensed imports and exports of gold, silver and capital. The War Trade Board licensed imports and exports of commodities. The War Industries Board fixed prices and priorities for commodities. The Shipping Board, the Food and Fuel Administrations and the Railroad Administration, were all parts of a comprehensive plan for mobilizing the resources of the country.

It was impossible to rely upon prices and rates to prevent inflation at a time when the first duty was the waning of the war. When the Government requires the services, the wealth, the productive capacity of all the

people for the purposes of a great war it must practically go through a process of condemnation and pay a price determined by properly designated functionaries. The law of supply and demand cannot be allowed to function in war times so as to permit some of the people to extort from all of the people, represented by their Government waging a righteous war, prices, whether for commodities or credit, based upon the fact that the supply is very limited and the demand for all practical purposes unlimited.

When the fighting was over most of these controls were broken down one by one as rapidly as seemed possible, with a view to restoring natural conditions.

#### Inflation.

**Before the War.** Before we entered the war we had what, for lack of a better short description, may be called, though inaccurately, gold inflation.

**During the War.** Currency expansion, as distinguished from credit expansion, has been very moderate in this country.\* The Treasury has not manufactured currency at all. It has not manufactured credit directly with the banks at issue. It has limited the expansion of credit as far as practical. The expansion of currency and credit which has taken place has been the result not of Treasury methods of financing the war but of the unlimited buying power of the Government of the United States when supported by the devotion of the people. Government expenditures and commitments were the cause of price inflation, rather than the methods which the Treasury employed to meet those expenditures. Expenditures and commitments always outran the provision made for them by the Treasury, whether in cash or credit. Government contracts covered future production for months or years ahead; but the Treasury never during the whole period of the war had provided money or bank credit sufficient to meet its requirements for more than a few weeks ahead. Prices rose in response to the effective demand of the United States Government sustained by the general credit which its resources and taxing power and the devotion of one hundred million people gave it.

They were influenced by two conflicting forces, the desire of the Government to stimulate production and the desire of the Government to prevent profiteering. The expansion of currency and bank credit, which followed the Government's expenditures and commitments, sustained and distributed the price inflation. In much of the discussion of currency and credit inflation and their relation to price inflation insufficient attention has been given to the practical difference between the operation of private persons and companies, on the one hand, and a government in war time, on the other. A government in war time, may, as a private concern cannot, upset the balance between the supply and demand for commodities without first obtaining currency or bank credit.

The cost of living here has increased less than in any of the belligerent countries (including Japan† which assumed no appreciable part of the financial burden of the war) or in the neutral countries of Europe.‡ This was in no small measure due to Treasury methods of financing the war.

**Since Armistice Day.** Since Armistice day the world has not only failed to make progress towards the resoration of healthy economic life, but in peace and peace conditions in Europe, and in America unsound economic ideas have in many instances prevailed and the effort is being made, first here then there, to improve the condition of some of the people at the expense of all or the people.

Inflation here since armistice day is attributable to three principal causes:

(a) World inflation and the internationalization of prices; (b) Heavy expenditures by our Government and Government interference with business; (c) Reaction and waste among our own people.

(a) For five years the world has been consuming more than it produced, living upon its capital, and the Governments of the world have been issuing evidences of indebtedness to represent the wealth destroyed. This has caused world inflation of prices.

The inflation which has taken place here since armistice seems attributable in no small degree to the inflation of the Continental European currencies operating upon the optimism of the American people.

People have been led to believe that there is a mystery about foreign exchange and that in some way America is at fault for not protecting the European Exchanges from depreciation. In war time the measures taken by the belligerent nations in respect to international trade and finance were more or less complete. Embargoes on the export or import of gold were accompanied by embargoes on the export and import of commodities, by domestic price fixing, by fixing the price of money, by control over capital issues, by control over foreign exchange and by Government loans in foreign countries. These controls probably should not have been removed

\*Letter of Governor Harding to the Chairman of the Banking and Currency Committee, United States Senate, dated August 8 1919; Federal Reserve Bulletin for August, 1919.

†Japan has a bank rate above eight per cent. Her inflation is a gold inflation. "The cost of living has advanced threefold more than before the war. . . . The gold holdings of Japan have now reached the unprecedented total of 1,899,000,000 yen, of which 1,061,000,000 yen belongs to the Government and 838,000,000 yen to the Bank of Japan. Of this large sum only 545,000,000 yen is in Japan, 1,354,000,000 yen being invested or deposited in England and the United States."—Economist, January 3 1920, pages 19-20.

‡The abnormal inflation of currency not only keeps up prices, but is lending impetus to speculative fever, which now knows no bounds. Investments in new enterprises between January and October this year amounted to no less than 2,869,000,000 yen, or more than for the whole of last year, when investments totalled 2,676,000,000 yen; and the expansion of capital is now such that the authorities can no longer regard the situation as wholesome. Banks have been officially instructed to restrict loans, and to preach economy and caution, but speculation continues rife. It is frequently reported that officials are interested in speculation, and that is one reason why no control is exercised over note inflation. The same thing went on after the war with Russia, but it was followed by panic and numerous business failures, leading to prolonged business depression.

"The effect on industry and society is far-reaching and disaffecting. Many enterprises, such as weaving and shipping, continue to pay enormous dividends, though most of the mushroom enterprises can hardly pay their way. Industry is marked by increasing unrest, with frequent strikes for higher wages and shorter hours. Of late the greater part of this unrest has been in shipyards and mines. At one of the copper mines recently the troops had to be called out to put down violence when 6,000 miners began to take matters into their own hands. This is the first time in the industrial history of Japan that troops have had to be called out to deal with strikes. The cotton mills, which are paying such big dividends, being manned mainly by women, have labour in their own hands, and so far they experience no labor unrest. In most cases mill work, so far as women go, is little less than a form of slavery, as the girls are not free to leave when they wish, and seldom get away until invalidated out. On the other hand, the luxury and extravagance of the profiteers and the newly rich tend to demoralize society, and cause revulsion of the poor against the rich. The most prosperous concerns in cities are the restaurants, houses of questionable pleasure, and the dealers in jewellery and expensive ornaments. The wealthy are buying up whole lots of houses, and pulling them down to erect grand mansions with spacious gardens for themselves. The great resentment of the poor, who cannot find dwelling accommodation. A great part of big cities like Tokyo is taken up with these gardens of the privileged and the wealthy, while space for common dwellings is at a premium, and the poor being driven into the slums. This leads to social disaffection and encourages Socialism."—Economist, February 7 1920, page 263.

‡British White Paper (Cmd.)434, 1919), Statements of Production, Price Movements and Currency Expansion in certain countries.



if the gold embargoes were to be retained; for the gold held in Europe has been made a basis for further inflation there and the ever expanding European currencies have been sold for dollars to be used to purchase things not needed as well as those needed. The depreciated price at which European currencies are taken in consequence of these methods means for them a rapidly increasing foreign debt which will make the ultimate resumption of a gold basis more difficult.

Our own prices are being inflated and our own banking and currency position expanded by the feverish speculation in European currencies, credits and securities, including those of countries with which we are still technically in a state of war.

In the present position of the international balances and of the foreign exchanges and because of gold embargoes Federal Reserve bank rates cannot function internationally, and will operate solely upon the domestic situation.

(b) Government expenditure is at the root of inflation all over the world. Wise methods of meeting it may mitigate the inflation, but they cannot prevent it.

The Government of the United States has been slow to realize upon its salvageable war assets and to cut down expenditures growing out of the war.

While Congress deliberated the Government held control of the railroad systems of the country for a year and a quarter after fighting stopped, and furnished transportation at less than cost. Then Congress ordered the railroads returned to their owners with a new expenditure of \$1,000,000,000 by the Government for their account and the deferment for years of \$1,000,000,000 the railroads owe the Government.\*

The interference of Government in railroad affairs, begun many years before we entered the war, has subjected business and industry to the gravest hardships for lack of adequate transportation and has involved a great additional strain upon our credit facilities. You can fix the price of capital but you cannot make it work for that price. You can fix the price of labor but you cannot make it work for that price. By holding down rates for the shipper, the railroads have been kept so poor that neither capital nor labor will work for them. The shipper has cheap rates but he cannot get transportation. If the railroads had been allowed to charge reasonable rates, the Government would have lost nothing in their operation, and it would not have been obliged to invest any considerable amount of money in them for, given reasonable rates, they could have obtained capital through private channels.

The United States Shipping Board expended in the fiscal year 1917 \$14,000,000, in the fiscal year 1918 \$771,000,000, in the fiscal year 1919 \$1,820,000,000 and in the fiscal year 1920 (to Mar. 31 1920), \$433,000,000. The actual cash expenditures since armistice day amounted to approximately \$1,600,000,000, while Congress deliberated as to our shipping policy. Notwithstanding the fact that it has been engaged in commercial shipping at time when it is exceptionally profitable, the Shipping Board has made as yet no net return to the Treasury, its expenditures still exceeding its receipts.

Five billion dollars spent or invested in railroads and ships, the larger part of it after the fighting was over. Why are the railroads being run to-day at a loss at the Government's expense? To what end are we moving in our shipping policy?

Instead of telling the people frankly and boldly that prices are high because they are wasting, we fix prices and prosecute profiteers in order that the people may buy more and pay less.

Instead of telling the people that Liberty bonds have depreciated because they are treating their Liberty bonds as spending money, we clamor that the rate of interest upon the bonds is too low and urge a bonus to bondholders disguised as a refunding operation.

Instead of telling the young men who were drafted to fight the war, and who came back better and stronger and more fit to fight their own battles than they ever were before, to go to work and save their money and look out for themselves as any self-respecting man should, we listen complacently to their organized demands for a bonus, euphemistically called "adjusted compensation."

Penny wise and pound foolish, we leave the executive departments underpaid, and undermanned, so far as regards supervisory employees. While Congress struggles to effect economies at the expense of efficient administration of the Government, it takes time to add \$65,000,000 to Civil War pensions.

From November 1918 to March 1921, nearly two years and a half, the first two years and a half after fighting stopped and probably the most critical two years and a half in the world's history, the Government of the United States has been deadlocked against itself, a Government by obstruction. It is at least questionable whether the progress of reaction would have been so complete or so disastrous if our institutions had not given this country, during the most critical period of the world's history, a Government divided against itself, and therefore incapable of effective leadership in national or international affairs.

(a) At this most critical moment in the history of Europe, when or own financial and economic stake in Europe's affairs is so great that disaster there could mean only disaster here, many of our own people have turned gamblers and wasters. For plain living and high thinking we have substituted wasting and bickering. We enjoy high living while we grumble at the high cost of living—of silk stockings and shirts for the poor, of automobiles for men of small means, of palaces for the profiteer and the plutocrat.

Unhealthily stimulated, commercial business appears to prosper and commercial expansion proceeds unchecked. From March 1919 to March 1920, though holdings of and loans upon Government war securities of all reporting member banks of the Federal Reserve system (about eight hundred member banks in leading cities believed to control about 40% of the commercial bank deposits of the country) decreased from \$4,000,000,000 to something over \$2,000,000,000, their other loans and investments increased from \$10,000,000,000 to over \$14,000,000,000. For every dollar of credit released by the Government, two dollars were extorted by business. From May 2 1919 to Mar. 19 1920, though the Reserve banks reduced their loans and discounts upon Government war securities from \$1,800,000,000 to \$1,400,000,000, they increased their other loans and discounts from \$350,000,000 to \$1,400,000,000.†

High rates of interest and discount, limitations of currency and credit, these and all other traditional methods should be used courageously; but they will not suffice under the abnormal world conditions now prevailing.

#### IV.

##### Remedies.

We must get together, stop bickering and face the critical situation which confronts the world as we should a foreign war. We must recognize our responsibility to and our stake in Europe, and in one way or another lend her our moral support and leadership and economic assistance but without Government loans. We must cut Government expenditure to the quick adjure bonuses, and realize promptly upon all saleable war assets, including ships, applying the proceeds to the war debt. We must have a national budget with teeth in it, which means among other things that no appropriation shall be made by Congress without a critical examination and report

on ways and means by the Treasury, representing the financial end of the executive branch of the Government, and the Ways and Means Committee of the House and the Finance Committee of the Senate, representing the financial end of the legislative branch. We must promptly revise our tax laws to make them more equitable and less burdensome without reducing the revenue. We must restore the railroads to a self-supporting basis by establishing rates which will insure a return for capital and labor commensurate with the return to be had elsewhere at a time when there is a world-wide shortage of both. And, above all, we must work and save. We must produce more but, more important still, we must consume less.

\*The actual cash expenditures of the Railroad Administration for the six months ending June 30 1918, were \$120,000,000, for the fiscal year ending June 30 1919, were \$359,000,000 and from July 1st to March 31st 1920, were \$776,000,000, a total of \$1,255,000,000. The recent legislation and that now pending make specific appropriations to the amount of \$800,000,000 and indefinite appropriations (including a gift to short line railroads which were not taken over by the Government) which will involve expenditures to the estimated amount of \$300,000,000. It is safe to say that the Government's expenditures and losses on account of the railroads and its investments in the railroads, will shortly amount to \$2,350,000,000.

†On the other hand though Federal Reserve Banks' loans and discounts secured by Government war obligations rose from about \$250,000,000 at the end of 1917 to a high of over \$1,800,000,000 in May 1919, their other loans and investments never during the war rose above about \$850,000,000 (in November 1918) and were down as low as about \$350,000,000 in May 1919. All reporting member banks' holdings of and loans upon United States war securities increased from a low of about \$1,250,000,000 in December 1917, to a high of about \$4,000,000,000 in May 1919. Their other loans and investments increased from about \$9,500,000,000 in December 1917, to a high of about \$10,750,000,000 in August 1918 and contracted to less than \$10,000,000,000 in March 1919. A smaller number of banks (about 630 controlling about 35% of the commercial bank deposits of the country) were reporting in December 1917.

#### N. Y. STOCK EXCHANGE INQUIRY INTO REPLOGLE STEEL DEALINGS.

On May 5 it became known that an investigation into dealings in Replogle Steel had been undertaken by the Committee on Business Conduct of the New York Stock Exchange. The stock is one in which trading has been noticeably active in recent weeks. In reporting that the investigation of the Stock Exchange Committee "has brought out there has been no manipulation of any sort in the issue," the "Wall Street Journal" of May 6 added:

Representatives of four houses which have been the principal buyers of the stock appeared before the committee and without showing their books are understood to have made it clear that the principals for whom they make the purchases had no thought of punishing the short interests, but were buying into the property after investigation of its prospects.

Replogle Steel is closely held by a group which refused to part with any stock when approached by prominent industrial interests. No treasury stock was available so these outside interests, have been steady purchasers of Replogle in the market. Their buying operations took place during a liquidating movement in the general list, and the strength of Replogle Steel made it a target for short sales. The protests of the bear crowd led to the investigation which showed there has been no attempt to corner the stock.

The letter in quest of the information desired by the committee, addressed to members of the Exchange, said:

I am instructed by the Committee on Business Conduct to notify you to report to it a full list (omitting odd lots) of purchases and sales or clearances of Replogle Steel Co. common stock made by your firm on April 19 to May 4, both dates inclusive.

Please give the date of the transaction, the prices at which they are made, the name of the firm with whom they were made and the name of the customer for whom the orders were executed, or the name of the individual or firm for whom they were cleared.

Also furnish to this office the following information in connection with your position in Replogle Steel Co. at the close of business May 4 1920, including transactions made on that date: How many shares long and for whom? How many shares short and for whom?

The members were also requested to supply the information to the committee not later than noon on Monday, May 10.

Allan A. Ryan, whose recent controversy with the Stock Exchange authorities in the Stutz Motor case caused him to tender his resignation as a member of the Exchange, replied to the latter's request for information as to Replogle Steel dealings as follows:

While I do not consider that you have the right to require this information from my firm, still, in view of the fact that my name has been publicly linked with this stock and with your inquiry I wish you and the public generally to know that there is not the slightest basis or foundation for any such connection.

I was not associated in any capacity with the flotation of the Replogle Steel Co., had nothing to do with the sale or purchase of its shares, either at that time or subsequently. I have never bought or sold a single share of its stock, either for my personal account or that of my firm; and I have no interest whatsoever, directly or indirectly, in the Replogle Steel Co. or its shares or in any operations connected with the same.

#### PROTEST AGAINST PROPOSED TAX ON STOCK TRANSACTIONS—CONFERENCE AT NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE.

The proposal to impose a tax on all stock transactions as one of the methods for providing soldier bonuses prompted the calling of a conference of Presidents of stock and commodity exchanges and a number of leaders in various lines of business by William H. Remick, President of the New York Stock Exchange. This conference was held in this city yesterday and resulted in the adoption of the following resolution, introduced by Col. Prentiss:



*Resolved*, That the proposed taxes upon the transfers of securities, and of cotton, and of grain, and of other commodities, are inimical to the interests of the nation; and

*Be It Further Resolved*, That representatives present at this meeting from each city of the United States shall organize committees in their respective cities to take all proper measures for the instruction of the public in the consequences to be apprehended from the proposed legislation.

*Be It Further Resolved*, That the chief executive officers of the Exchanges and Boards of Trade in the following cities: Baltimore, Boston, Chicago, Cincinnati, Columbus, Detroit, Hartford, Minneapolis, New Orleans, New York, Philadelphia, Pittsburgh, St. Louis, San Francisco and Washington, shall constitute a Central Committee through which the committees organized in the several localities may co-ordinate their activities.

In calling the heads of the various exchanges together to protest against the proposed levy, Mr. Remick dispatched to them the following telegram on the 3rd instant:

The Ways and Means Committee of the House of Representatives has under consideration the imposition of a ruinous tax upon transactions in securities. This tax threatens the existence of the security markets of the nation. It will not be limited in its effect to the dealers in securities and their employees, but will react disastrously upon the financial structure of the entire United States. To consider steps to be taken in view of this emergency, have called a conference to be held in the Governing Committee Room of the New York Stock Exchange on Friday, May 7 at 3 p. m. I have invited to this conference the presidents of all stock and commodity exchanges in the United States whom the limits of time will allow to attend. I urgently invite you to be present.

It is pointed out that this was the first time in the history of the country that representatives of the principal exchanges throughout the United States met together to take common action against what they considered to be a threat against the financial, industrial and commercial life of the nation. The various exchanges were represented as follows:

E. E. Thompson	Washington Stock Exchange.
Frederick W. Freeman	Columbus Stock Exchange.
W. E. Hutton, President	Cincinnati Stock Exchange.
Walter Moaro	Buffalo Stock Exchange.
S. J. Foster, President	Providence Stock Exchange.
W. R. Conning, President	Hartford Stock Exchange.
Fred Countiss (Former Pres.)	Chicago Stock Exchange.
J. R. Kummer, Vice-President	Baltimore Stock Exchange.
C. W. L. Johnson, Gov. of Exch.	
Frederick H. Semple, President	St. Louis Stock Exchange.
S. J. White, Vice-President	New Orleans Stock Exchange.
Phillip W. Wrenn, President	Boston Stock Exchange.
John B. Barbour, President	Pittsburgh Stock Exchange.
James A. Emery, Counsel	National Ass'n of Mrs., Washington.
Chas. A. Otis, of Otis Co.	Cleveland Stock Exchange.
E. R. McCormack, Chairman	New York Curb Market Association.
W. S. Silkworth, President	Consolidated Stock Exchange of N. Y.
Edward Flash, Jr., President	New York Produce Exchange.

In his introductory remarks, President Remick, after mentioning the fact that some of those present came from great distances, gave it as his opinion that they came in recognition of the fact that they were confronted by a national emergency, because the evil effects of the proposed tax on transactions in securities and commodities if imposed will be felt at once by every class and practically every individual in the United States. After showing that the tax would range from the prohibitive figures of from \$20 to \$140 on the sale of 100 shares of stock; \$40 on the sale of 100 bales of cotton at current quotations, and \$5 on the sale of 1,000 bushels of wheat, the President went on to say that the imposition of the tax in its final results would produce little, if any, increased revenue, and that it would stop the investment of capital in new enterprises, because would take away the market for new securities. He pointed out further that another effect of the imposition of the tax would be to make London and Montreal the primary markets for American securities. The following is the address made by President Remick:

*Gentlemen* The preparation by the Ways and Means Committee of the House of Representatives of a bill imposing a drastic tax on sales of securities and commodities led me to extend invitations to you to meet with me here to discuss the question of the levy of the proposed taxes, but not the application of the proceeds of such tax if levied. Your response to my invitation gives me great pleasure, and on behalf of myself, and my colleagues, I extend to you an exceedingly hearty welcome.

I asked you to be here because, in my opinion, we are confronted with a grave national emergency. I say "national emergency" because the tax on transactions in securities and commodities, which is under consideration in Congress, will not solely affect us as brokers, trading upon the leading American exchanges, but the evil consequences of the tax. If it is imposed, will be felt at once by every class and practically every individual in the United States.

I think that the fundamental objections to taxes of this nature cannot be better summarized than they were some years ago by Mr. Lloyd George when, in opposing a tax upon stock transfers, he said:

"Such transactions being mainly of a speculative character, and worked upon narrow margin, will clearly not bear a rate of duty in any way comparable with that charged upon actual conveyance. Such an impost would, in the first place, from the point of view of the revenue, defeat its object by rendering the greater portion of such transactions impossible; while, in the second place, it would, in my opinion, be opposed to the public interest as calculated to curtail that free circulation of securities which is a necessary condition of steady prices and an open market. For, although these transactions are in the main speculative transactions, and do at times, like all speculative transactions, degenerate into mere gambling, it is a mistake to suppose that this is their essential or pervading characteristic. In their proper place they form part of the legitimate machinery for discounting fluctuations in value, necessary not only to the Stock Exchange, but to every sphere of commercial activity, and the imposition of a penal tax designed to curtail the mischievous developments of the system could scarcely attain its object without inflicting irretrievable damage upon the marketability of securities as a whole."

It is well for all of us, and for our legislators, to bear in mind that England, under all her burden of war and debt, has not taxed the sale of securities or other speculative transactions beyond the nominal pre-war stamp taxes. She has rightly considered that the imposition of such taxes would hurt the business of the country to an extent that would not be offset by any revenue that could possibly be derived from them.

I do not know whether all of you have seen the terms of the bill which is now before the Committee on Ways and Means. The amount of the tax that it imposes on the transfer of stocks and other securities is two cents on each \$10 or fraction thereof of face value, unless the selling price is in excess of the face value, in which case the tax is two cents on each \$10 or fraction thereof of the selling price. If the shares are without face value, the tax is twenty cents on each share, unless the selling price is in excess of \$100 per share, in which case the tax is two cents on each \$10 or fraction thereof of the selling price.

The tax on every sale made on an Exchange, of grain, cotton, or any other commodity, is two cents on each \$10 or fraction thereof of the selling price. This means that the tax on the transfer of 100 shares of stock will be at least \$20. If the stock sells for more than its par value, the tax is more than \$20 on 100 shares. The tax on the transfer of 100 shares of the stock of the Standard Oil Company of New Jersey, selling at \$700 a share, would be \$140. The tax on the sale of 100 bales of cotton, selling at the current price, would be somewhere in the neighborhood of \$40 a hundred bales. The tax on the sale of 10,000 bushels of wheat would be in the neighborhood of \$50.

I think that there can be no difference of opinion among us who know the nature of the speculative markets of the country as to the effect that this tax would have upon those markets, and through them upon the business interests of the country.

I think that the tax is one that should be opposed by everyone who has the best interests of the country at heart, and especially by us, who, because of the nature of our occupations, are in the best position to appreciate its effects.

I believe that from the point of view of the Government in its final results the tax will produce no increase of revenue, or next to none; that it will stop the investment of capital in new enterprises, because it will take away the market for new securities; that it will make London and Montreal the primary market where the prices of American securities will be created; that it will drive out of business a great proportion of those who have devoted their lives to the brokerage business, and will take away the occupations of the employees of brokerage houses, who, in New York alone, are numbered by tens of thousands.

I most firmly believe that this tax threatens the very life of the security markets of the country. If the market places exist, it will be as places where occasional transactions take place, but as real markets, where a seller can always find a purchaser, and a purchaser can always find a seller, they will be at an end, and as I believe that real markets are essential to the prosperity of the country, I believe that anything that threatens the existence of the markets is a blow at the country's welfare.

#### FORMATION OF SURETY COMPANY BY ASSOCIATION OF STOCK EXCHANGE FIRMS.

The development of plans for the formation of a surety company of its own is announced by the Association of Stock Exchange Firms, of this city, following the decision of three of the five surety companies carrying fidelity insurance of members of the New York Stock Exchange to discontinue to write the broker's blanket bond after May 15, and to substitute therefor a new bond with important items of protection eliminated. The other two companies, it is announced, are to co-operate with the company now being formed. The five surety companies which have written the major part of fidelity insurance are, it is stated, the National Surety Company, the Aetna Casualty & Surety Company, the American Surety Company, the United States Fidelity & Guaranty Company and the Fidelity & Deposit Company. According to the "Journal of Commerce" of April 29 the American Surety, the United States Fidelity & Guaranty and the Fidelity & Deposit finally decided to restrict their form of bonds very materially, and the National Surety and the Aetna Casualty & Surety decided to restrict their form somewhat, following in this regard Lloyds, London, which has been the chief competitor of the surety companies in this field. While Assistant District Attorney Dooling of this city is said to have stated that a loss of \$12,000,000 has been suffered during the past year through bond thefts, the Association of Stock Exchange Firms in its announcement concerning the proposed surety company admits that losses during the past year have been exceptionally heavy, but adds that the recoveries under such losses "amount to a considerable proportion thereof, and very appreciably diminish the loss sustained by the companies and still leave a moderate return out of the premium receipts." The following is the announcement made by the Association of Stock Exchange Firms regarding the new organization:

Your committee has been advised that three of the five surety companies carrying fidelity insurance of members of the New York Stock Exchange will discontinue to write the broker's blanket bond after May 15, and will substitute therefor a new bond from which the most important items of protection heretofore given have been eliminated. Particulars of the proposed changes are fully set forth on the attached sheet. The remaining two companies have signified their willingness to continue to write the bond as heretofore and to co-operate with such company as we may form.

Due to this action on the part of these surety companies and the impossibility of securing adequate coverage from the two remaining companies, your committee has decided that it is necessary that it exercise the authority given to it to forthwith organize a surety company of its own, and that steps have been taken to take out a charter and by-laws for such a company and to proceed with its organization in every detail with the least possible delay.



It is admitted that losses during the past year, due to various causes, have been exceptionally large, as noted in the daily press, yet the recoveries under such losses, which have not been fully published, amount to a considerable proportion thereof and very appreciably diminish the loss sustained by the companies and still leave a moderate return out of the premium receipts. With the installation of the Clearing House by the New York Stock Exchange, and greater vigilance and care practised by Stock Exchange houses it is confidently expected that succeeding years will show very much better results.

It was originally intended to organize this company with a capital of \$500,000, and a surplus of \$500,000, which would admit of the writing of bonds to the amount of \$100,000. Of the proposed \$1,000,000 of capital and surplus, subscriptions are actually in hand for \$881,000. It is now proposed to organize with a capital of \$300,000 and a surplus of \$300,000, so that the company can be gotten underway as a going concern without delay and its capital can be immediately increased to the proposed \$1,000,000 or more if desired very shortly after its original incorporation.

As soon as copies of the charter and by-laws have been completed they will be sent to you with further details of organization and management, and a call will be made at that time for your subscription to capital stock, against which certificates representing your investment will be delivered.

Your committee begs to advise that it has used every possible means to avoid the organization of this company, realizing the trouble and responsibility which its management will entail upon those who are willing to undertake it, but in view of the constantly rising rates being charged by fidelity companies, with the constantly diminishing protection furnished, no course seems to be left open for Stock Exchange firms to safeguard themselves against losses incident to and unavoidable in this line of business except through the organization of their own company, and while the amount of insurance that can be written under the law will not be as much as some of the firms will find it necessary to take out, assurance has been given by two fidelity companies, and it is believed will be given by others, that they will reinsure surplus lines of insurance taken by this company, so that it, acting in its capacity as agent, will be able to cover any reasonable amount of insurance which might be desired, and will derive profit from the reinsurance.

At the same time the Association made public as follows, the changes proposed by the surety company on bonds written after May 15 1920:

In the old bond, Paragraph A lines 18-19 covers any loss through any dishonest act of the employees wherever committed and whether committed directly or by collusion with others. The same paragraph in the new bond reads: "through larceny or embezzlement committed while the property is upon any of the premises covered hereunder." The effect of this is that in order to recover it will be necessary to show that the larceny or embezzlement was committed upon the premises, and any such larceny or embezzlement felony committed in the streets in transit or in the premises of a bank or other brokerage house would, therefore, not be covered.

Paragraph B in the old bond, lines 20-25 reads: "through larceny whether common law or statutory, robbery, burglary, hold-up, theft or other fraudulent means of destruction or misplacement or mysterious unexplainable disappearance, while the property is within any of the insured's offices covered hereunder or upon the premises of the insured's bankers in the Borough of Manhattan, New York, or in any recognized place of safe deposit," &c. The new proposed bond strikes out "theft or other fraudulent means of destruction or misplacement or mysterious, unexplainable disappearance." The effect of this change is that the insured cannot recover unless he is in position to indicate exactly how the robbery or theft occurred, and if securities disappear without the insured being able to furnish such information no recovery can be made.

Paragraph C old policy, lines 26-30 reads: "through robbery, hold-up or theft by any person whomsoever while the property is in transit within twenty miles of any of the offices covered hereunder and in the custody of any of the insured's partners or of its employees or any messenger temporarily employed or on the part of any such employee or messenger having custody of the property while in transit or aforesaid." Everything is stricken out after the word "employees," so that no security is furnished on any messenger temporarily employed nor through the negligence on the part of any such employee or messenger. You would also have to construe what was a temporary employment and what a permanent one, and a loophole exists for evading liability through any messenger whatsoever.

Paragraph 2, Section A, old policy, lines 43-44 has reference to losses arising from forgery, and in the old bond the companies are not liable unless the forgery be committed with the collusion of one or more of the employees. This last provision is entirely eliminated and the bond, therefore, does not cover any loss from forgery whatsoever or however committed.

Paragraph B, old policy, lines 45-50 formerly covered a loss arising from insurrection, riot or civil commotion, earthquake, tornado, or other disturbance of nature &c. unless such loss resulted from a riot or civil commotion while the property was in the custody of a messenger, &c. The last provision is entirely stricken out, so that the policy does not cover loss arising from any such causes under any circumstances.

Section C, old policy, lines 51-52 formerly covered losses arising from collusion or acts of employees. This coverage is entirely eliminated in the new bond, so that any loss from fictitious accounts of employees or by acts of collusion between employees is not covered.

Section D, old policy, lines 53-55 covered any loss which might arise from a loan made by an employee, whether authorized or unauthorized, if such loan was made with an intent to defraud on the part of the employee. This is entirely eliminated in the new bond and there is a further provision in substitution of this section that any loss of money and for securities, the nominal value and description of which had not been ascertained by the insured before the loss was sustained, is not covered.

Paragraph E, old policy, lines 56-66 immediately following, which insured losses sustained through trades fraudulently conducted by an employee in the name of a genuine customer under certain conditions, is entirely stricken out, and in substitution thereof is a clause reading "any loss directly or indirectly from trading, actual or fictitious, whether in the name of the insured or otherwise, and whether or not within the knowledge of the insured, and notwithstanding any act on the part of any employee in connection therewith, or that any account regarding the same is distinctly excepted from being covered."

In paragraph 10, old policy, lines 122-3 the words "valid and enforceable" are stricken out, which will have the effect of offsetting against any loss which might be sustained on any security which might be held by the insured, whether the same is of any value or not.

Paragraph 12, old policy, lines 132-142 covered any loss which might have been incurred upon any blanket bond or policy in London Lloyds which had been cancelled and at which time any loss thereunder had not been discovered. The effect of this is that having carried a bond in a company and such bond having been cancelled without any loss having been reported, and subsequently a loss was discovered to have occurred, that such loss would not be covered under the new bond taken in lieu of the cancelled bond.

In a statement issued on April 28 as to the new form of broker's bonds, the American Surety Company said:

The American Surety Company has not discontinued the issuance of brokers' bonds. It has, however, decided to restrict its liability under such bonds to losses of tangible property resulting from larceny, embezzlement, theft, burglary, holdup or other criminal act while the property is on the premises of the broker, or in transit within twenty miles of his office, or on deposit anywhere in the United States for conversion.

This company will not continue to assume liability for losses due to mysterious, unexplained disappearance, of securities, nor for trading losses, by which is meant, losses occasioned by employees who use the office machinery of their employers' to conduct speculative accounts for themselves, usually in fictitious names.

It is our belief that trading losses of this character and losses due to mysterious disappearance are uninsurable hazards at any obtainable premium and that brokers can only safeguard themselves against such losses by vigilance and the adoption of sound office methods. Our new bond will afford brokers abundant protection against losses by theft of every kind.

On the same day, Joel Rathbone, of the National Surety Company was quoted as saying:

In brokers' offices, as it is in other offices at present, there is an unusual turnover in clerks. New clerks are not so experienced or skilled as old clerks, and that leads to carelessness in office management, which in turn is a temptation to dishonesty.

More than 45% of the losses have been what we call "losses of securities in transit"—these defections by messengers and others have been the largest single item of loss. Another important element has been unauthorized trading in fictitious accounts by employees in their own offices. That probably is a hazard that is going to be scrutinized very carefully by surety companies in the future. I know of one case of a clerk in a broker's office who induced his brother-in-law to open what was a legitimate account. The margin clerk did not report losses in the account to the supervising partner, and by the time the auditor got there there was a loss of \$100,000.

Surety companies are beginning to think that losses of that sort do not constitute an insurable hazard, that they are rather a question of office management, bookkeeping, auditing and the like, which ought to be controlled by the office system. Losses of that sort grow so rapidly, particularly in a falling market, that we feel it devolves upon the offices themselves to prevent them.

#### U. S. SUPREME COURT ORDERS FEDERAL FARM LOAN ACT REARGUED.

On April 26 the U. S. Supreme Court ordered the reargument of the constitutionality of the Federal Farm Loan Act of 1916. As has already been noted in these columns, proceedings to test the legality of the tax exemption features of farm loan bonds were dismissed last October by Judge A. S. Van Falkenburgh, in the U. S. District Court at Kansas City, Mo., and argument on the validity of the act was heard by the U. S. Supreme Court in January. Further details as to the action of the lower court will be found in our issues of Nov. 22 1919, page 1937 and Feb. 14, page 612. Concerning last week's action of the Supreme Court the Farm Mortgage Bankers Association of America in a bulletin issued April 28, said:

The case to test the constitutionality of the Federal Farm Loan Act has been ordered reargued by the Supreme Court of the United States. The order was made Monday, April 26, arguments having been concluded nearly four months previous, on Jan. 8. Oral arguments in the Supreme Court close for the term April 30. It will therefore be impossible for the case to be again heard before October in any event, and it may be set for a later date.

It is obvious that a final decision cannot be expected before the last of 1920 or the early part of 1921. In the meantime the business of the Federal Land Banks and the Joint Stock Land Banks will be tied up as at present.

This is the case of Charles E. Smith against the Kansas City Title & Trust Co., appealed from the Federal District Court at Kansas City.

Mr. Wm. Marshall Bullitt and Mr. Frank Hagerman appeared for appellant in the Supreme Court.

The order of the Court indicates that there is a strong probability that the Court will decide the Act unconstitutional.

#### CONFERENCE OF FARM LOAN OFFICIALS INCIDENT TO REARGUMENT OF SUIT TESTING FARM LOAN ACT.

A conference of the Presidents of the Federal Farm Loan Banks was held in Washington this week to discuss the situation arising out of the action of the United States Supreme Court in ordering the reargument of the suit to test the validity of the Federal Farm Loan Act. The Supreme Court's order is referred to in the previous article. This week's conference was called by C. S. Lobdell, Farm Loan Commissioner, who is reported as stating that applications aggregating \$50,000,000 are on file with the twelve banks. On Feb. 4 George W. Norris, who has since resigned as Commissioner, announced that future applications for loans from the Farm Loan banks would be held in abeyance pending the Supreme Court's decision. This week's deliberations, practically concluded on the 4th inst., brought it is said, convincing evidence that no further new business could be handled until the Supreme Court renders its conclusions. One newspaper account from Washington on May 3 regarding the conference said:

The Board suspended the making of loans, except on applications already approved early in January. Available funds have been exhausted and further loans made impossible without the sale of more bonds. The Board has not deemed it wise to offer bonds on the market, as the legality of the issues are involved in the pending litigation.



Congress has before it a resolution of Representative Ferris, Oklahoma, which would make funds available through the purchase by the Treasury of a new issue of farm loan bonds.

The Associated Press the same day said:

All members of the conference were against another offer of farm loan bonds in the open market at this time. The opinion was held that a "cloud would hang over bonds so long as the act providing for their issue was in court." Officials believed, however, that Congress would adopt the Ferris resolution empowering the Treasury to absorb the board's next bond issue and thereby avoid an entire summer of inactivity so far as loaning operations are concerned.

Commissioner Lobdell said that many "pitiable cases" had come to the Board's attention, due entirely to the fact that no further advances could be made to farmers who had depended on the system to supply funds to meet commercial loans. In certain instances, he said, foreclosures had resulted.

On May 4 the daily newspapers in Washington advised had the following to say:

Despite the fact that the twelve land banks have borrowed approximately \$16,000,000 from private banks to loan to farmers, more than \$50,000,000 in applications for loans have accumulated and are held up by litigation over the loan law's validity. In going into the open market for funds the banks are losing one half of 1% interest, the Government rate being 5½% and the private rate 6%. To offset this loss, however, the net income of the twelve banks has averaged \$240,000 monthly since the first of the year.

The banks also have assets of \$30,000,000 on which no liens have been placed, and Commissioner Lobdell said there was no reason for uneasiness as to the system's financial situation.

We also quote from the "Wall Street Journal" of May 5 the following regarding the situation confronting the Farm Loan banks:

Farm Loan operations of the Farm Loan Land banks throughout the country will be forced to suspend for the next several months until a decision is obtained from the Supreme Court as to the validity of the Farm Loan Act and the present form of the Farm Loan bonds. This conclusion has been reached by the conferences of the members of the Farm Loan Board and presidents of 12 Farm Loan Land banks, called to discuss the situation which has arisen out of the litigation over the tax exemption features of the Farm Loan securities.

Further trouble also is in store for the Farm Loan Land banks as a result of loans made by the banks from private institutions to expedite Government loans to the farmers. When the Farm Loan Act first was questioned as to its constitutionality the Board encountered considerable difficulty in the marketing of its securities. Anticipating a favorable and early decision by the Supreme Court upholding the validity of the measure the Land banks borrowed funds to continue operations, giving as security for the advances farm mortgages taken from the farmers as collateral to secure Government loans.

#### Predicament Arises.

To obtain a sufficient amount of money to meet the demands the Farm Loan Land banks agreed to the condition that they would re-purchase the collateral given to secure the loans from the private banks and would refund the money borrowed on the call of the creditor banks. This condition at the time was thought unimportant in view of the prospects at that time for an early decision and the immediate re-establishment of the market for Farm Loan bonds by a favorable opinion by the United States Supreme Court.

Subsequently the United States Supreme Court has ordered a reargument of the whole question of the validity of the Farm Loan Act. This action of the Court in asking the reargument of the case is interpreted in some quarters as indicating a division of the Court on the question. In view of the summer recess of the Court, rapidly approaching, the time required for the delivery of arguments on both sides of the question, and the time to be consumed by the Court in deliberation before reaching its decision, it is not expected that decision can be made before the fall or winter session of the Court.

Meanwhile the Farm Loan Land banks must discontinue the extension of loans because of the lack of funds, and the impossibility of obtaining additional money through the sale of securities whose validity is in doubt. In addition, some provision must be made to retire the indebtedness of the Land banks, caused by the borrowing of money from private banks. In view of the loan period ahead before the Farm Loan banks can resume operations, some of the banks making loans to the Land banks were reported to have shown signs of restiveness, and a demand for repayment is not believed to be improbable.

#### Appeal to Be Made to Congress.

A formal request soon may be made to Congress to appropriate necessary funds to remove the Federal Farm Loan Land banks from their predicament, if the pending bill providing for an appropriation of this amount is found insufficient to meet the needs of the situation.

One plan under advisement by the conference is to have Congress amend the Federal Farm Loan Act to permit the Secretary of the Treasury to purchase \$100,000,000 of Farm Loan bonds. In this way, enough money would be obtained to permit the Land banks to pay off their emergency loans, and continue operations probably until the Supreme Court announced its decision.

Yet another plan known to have been considered is that of the amendment of the Act to permit the Secretary of the Treasury to make large deposits in the Federal Land banks. These deposits could be used to meet the emergency financial requirements of the banks.

During the first two years of the existence of the Farm Loan system the Secretary of the Treasury, under authority given him by the Act, purchased Farm Loan bonds at the rate of about \$100,000,000 a year. Some of the bonds purchased by the Treasury subsequently have been resold to the public, leaving about \$100,000,000 of the securities remaining in the Treasury vaults.

Immediate action by Congress may be asked to prevent the total cessation of operations by the Farm Loan Land banks, it was said.

### SENATOR OWEN PROTESTS AGAINST INCREASE IN FEDERAL RESERVE RATES—EFFECT ON LIBERTY BONDS.

The action of the Federal Reserve Board in advancing Federal Reserve discount rates was criticised in the Senate on April 30, by Senator Owen (Democrat), of Oklahoma, who claims that "the charging of these high rates of interest,

regarded as necessary has the effect of depreciating the market value of United States bonds." Already, he said, "the depreciation of 15% on \$26,000,000 of bonds, amounts to nearly \$3,000,000,000." In commenting on the raising of rates by the Reserve Board, and the arrangement put into effect at the Federal Reserve Bank at Kansas City the Senator said:

Induced by the argument that it would tend to check speculation, the Federal Reserve Board has raised the rates of interest to member banks from 4 to 6 and 7%. The member banks borrow money from their depositors to whom they pay 2 and 3%, and these deposits are loaned out at 5 and 6%, or a margin of approximately 3%. The Federal Reserve banks pay no interest to their depositors. The Federal Reserve banks made nearly a hundred per cent. profit last year on an interest rate lower than the present rate. The member banks who receive no interest on their deposits are entitled to a rate, in my opinion, of 3%, where the member bank is only asking the use of a part of its reserves. When aggressive borrowing banks ask in excess of their own reserves, the Federal Reserve bank is justified in imposing a rate that will penalize those banks, thus automatically checking the abuse; and I understand they are putting into effect an arrangement of this kind, certainly at the Kansas City Reserve Bank.

The Senator stated that before the Federal Reserve Board raised the rate of interest he addressed a letter to the Governor of the Federal Reserve Board, expressing the hope that the Board would not raise the rate of interest. This letter he had inserted in the "Congressional Record" as follows:

United States Senate,  
Committee on Five Civilized Tribes of Indians.  
April 27 1920.

Hon. W. P. G. Harding, Governor Federal Reserve Board, Washington, D. C.

My Dear Governor—I have been intending to call to see you and beg of you and of the Federal Reserve Board to consider the injurious effects of raising the interest rates in America in its relation to adding to the high cost of living and in its relation to bearing down the market value of Government bonds.

I have just received a telegram from the President of an important National Bank. He explained to me that his bank had bought and underwritten a much larger volume of Government bonds than they would have done normally because of important Government works put up in his city. Thousands of employees who were compelled to buy Government bonds unloaded them on the bank when the war suddenly ended, and he has been unable to sell these bonds on a falling market, and the market is falling because the Reserve Board has raised the rate of interest and set the example to the banks of the United States and justified them to their own conscience and to their customers in raising the rate approximately 2% throughout the Union. For your consideration I quote the telegram:

"Can nothing be done to give Liberty bonds some standing? The Federal Reserve Bank is pressing us unmercifully to sell what we have, and has served notice that they will rediscount no commercial paper until we do so, and as you know this can only be done in the New York Exchange at panic prices, it makes a serious and very embarrassing situation which might be very far-reaching."

The Reserve banks should be cautioned in pressing the banks too far to sell these bonds on a falling market. This particular bank, I invite you to observe, would receive a great injury, and you will be unable to repair it afterwards.

The Federal Reserve Board can not permit itself to be held responsible for the consequences that will ensue if it persists in this policy of raising the interest rates as a remedy for speculation. This remedy is worse than the disease.

This remedy is not necessary because there are other available remedies whose consequences will be harmless. I venture to suggest several:

First. That the banks be advised to require loans for speculative purposes to be gradually reduced;

Second. That the banks be required to demand increased margins on such loans;

Third. That the banks be invited to raise the rate on such speculative loans, and not raise the rates on loans upon which the manufacturer, the commercial, and industrial life of the Nation depend; and

Fourth. That the banks be invited and required to refuse new speculative loans on investment securities.

My dear Governor, the bondholders of the United States have already suffered a loss in the market value of their bonds of over \$2,000,000,000. Bonds which they bought as a patriotic duty; bonds which they bought on borrowed money; bonds which they bought at a sacrifice.

The Government should not through its own agencies destroy the value of these securities by pursuing a policy of raising the interest rates, and I beg you, and I beg the Board through you, to change this policy.

Moreover, my dear Governor, I call your attention to the unpardonable and scandalous practice of the usurious charges current in New York City, where on call loans, the stock-exchange collateral, the rates have been running as high as 30%. I enter my solemn protest against this, and on behalf of the people of my State and the people of the United States I call upon the Federal Reserve Board to put an end to this nefarious practice which sets a false standard to the people of the United States in the matter of interest rates, and which has been used to justify the Federal Reserve Board to raise the rates on the whole country for the avowed purpose of stopping speculation when no such remedy was necessary.

Yours, very respectfully,

ROBERT L. OWEN.

In his representations to the Senate on April 30, the Senator said:

The Federal Reserve banks were not intended as money-making banks. They were intended as public institutions to secure stability in credits. They appear to be proceeding upon the theory that it is their business to make all the money they can, which I regard as a serious misconception of the Reserve Act.

When the Federal Reserve Board raised the rate to 6 and 7%, it was perfectly natural that the member banks throughout the country should raise their rates to 8 and 10%, and when the rates were thus raised an average of 3% on the \$25,000,000,000 of loans, an immediate increase of interest charge in the amount of \$750,000,000 was levied on the people of the United States with a consequent increase in the cost of living.

In addition to this, a charge was made by the merchant, by the manufacturer, by the wholesaler, and by the retailer for his profits on the extra cost of handling the business of the country; so that there was an added charge on the people of the United States, in addition to the interest charges



raised, as I have pointed out, of probably over a billion and one-half dollars. In addition to this, the railroads of the country have found themselves compelled to pay 7% interest, plus commissions and discounts, all of which is a charge upon the people of the country in the form of freight and high passenger rates, adding another enormous extra charge to the cost of living.

The charging of these high rates of interest, regarded as necessary, has the effect of depreciating the market value of United States bonds. Already the depreciation of 15% on twenty-six billions of bonds amounts to nearly \$3,000,000,000. When the Secretary of the Treasury appealed to all the banks of the United States to put on the drive for the sale of Liberty bonds and Victory bonds at par, with 4½% interest, the people bought them for patriotic reasons. Many of them borrowed money with which to buy these bonds.

I do not think it wise, I do not think it just, I do not think it decent or ethical for the Government agencies to pursue a policy which causes a loss of \$3,000,000,000 to these patriotic bondholders, and more especially when the policy is otherwise injurious and harmful in the most serious way.

The people of this country are entitled to have these bonds brought back to par. The banks are entitled to have these bonds brought back to par, and I most vigorously object to the Federal Reserve Act being administered in such a manner as to bring about these serious losses to the patriotic people of the country.

Mr. President, on Feb. 16 I called the attention of the Senate to this matter and had printed in the "Record" my letter of Feb. 13 to the President calling it to his attention. I know of no action to correct the matter complained of.

This world, Mr. President, is a world of cause and effect, and adequate causes will invariably produce a fixed result. Raising the normal rate of interest to a higher point is a sufficient cause to bring about the low market value of the Liberty bonds. The only remedy for this condition is an appeal to public opinion, and to that opinion I appeal.

Senator Owen's letter to President Wilson last February was given in our issue of Feb. 28, page 813. Concerning the "extortionate" rates in New York on call loans, the Senator in expressing his views to the Senate on April 30, had the following to say:

The practice in New York of charging extortionate interest rates for call loans—10, 15, 20, and 30%—has had a bad psychological effect on interest rates throughout the United States. The people have ceased to feel shocked at a high interest rate of 10% when the New York papers quote call money, for immediate payment, at the rate of 15 and 20%. A call loan, subject to immediate payment, is entitled to the lowest possible rate. Indeed in normal times the rate of interest on call loans frequently went to 2%, sometimes to 1½% per annum, and when call loans are quoted at 20% it seems only fair that the people should be contented to pay a very high rate for time loans. These artificial high interest rates on call loans secured by New York Stock Exchange collateral have not been held as technical usury, because the New York law was changed so as to permit any rate of interest to be charged on call loans of \$5,000 and upward.

The men who fix these high rates justify themselves on the ground that the high rate is necessary to check and repress undue speculation in stocks.

Undue speculation in stocks is an evil. It absorbs credits that ought to be used in industry and commerce. Loans on investment securities exceeded \$1,900,000,000 a few months ago in New York City. They have now been somewhat reduced, but the true remedy is not high interest rates.

The banks of New York can stop speculation very easily: First. By refusing to make new loans for speculative purposes, and this should be demanded of them by the Comptroller of the Currency and by the Federal Reserve Board and the Federal Reserve Bank.

Second. The banks can require the gradual liquidation of speculative loans, giving reasonable time in which to accomplish it without great injury to the borrowers.

Third. The banks can demand more collateral as margins, and in that way check the tendency to speculation. Of course, they do practice this to some extent.

Fourth. They can gradually raise the rate of interest on speculative loans as a penalty for such loans, without raising the rate of interest on manufacturing and commercial loans.

Governor Harding's answer to Senator Owen is given in another item in the "Chronicle" of to-day.

#### ANSWER OF GOV. HARDING OF FEDERAL RESERVE BOARD TO SENATOR OWEN.

An answer to Senator Owen's contention that the raising of discount rates by the Federal Reserve Banks has operated to the disadvantage of Government bond values, has been made by Governor W. P. G. Harding of the Federal Reserve Board. Mr. Harding states that "a glance at the discount rates of all the Federal Reserve Banks during the year 1919, and a study of market quotations for Liberty bonds during the year ought to convince any one that the decline in the market price for Liberty bonds and Victory notes has resulted from circumstances entirely beyond the control of the Federal Reserve Board or the Federal Reserve banks." In seeking to show the reason for the decline in Liberty bond values Gov. Harding calls attention to the statement contained in the address made last week by Assistant Secretary of the Treasury Leffingwell (given elsewhere in to-day's issue of our paper) that "those who had bought Liberty bonds as a matter of patriotism, but not as investors, began to treat their bonds as so much spending money. A \$50 bond in the hands of a patriot turned spendthrift was to him a \$50 bill to be spent Saturday night, or to her a new hat, and if the \$50 turned out to be a \$45 bill, small matter. This was the first and most immediate cause of the depreciation of Liberty bonds, affecting them particularly." Were discount rates reduced with a view of bringing Government bonds back to par, Mr. Harding says "it is the Board's belief that the desired result would not be attained while the demand upon the Federal Reserve banks would be so great

that they would have no resources available for the accommodation of commerce and business." "As a matter of fact," he adds, "the policy of the Federal Reserve Board to curb inflation will in the long run result in improving the market value of Liberty bonds and a contrary policy of furnishing credit at cheap rates at a time like this would impair the market."

The following is the letter which Gov. Harding has addressed to Senator Owen, this letter having been inserted in the Congressional Record of May 5 at the instance of Senator McLean.

May 3 1920.

*My Dear Senator:*—The Federal Reserve Board has given careful attention to your letter of April 27 in which you ask the Board "to consider the injurious effects of raising the interest rates in America in its relation to bearing down the market value of Government bonds."

You refer to the case of an important national bank which has on hand an amount of Liberty bonds entirely out of proportion to its capital and surplus. The Board has full knowledge of the specific case to which you refer, and has in its files copies of correspondence dating back for more than a year between the member bank and the Federal Reserve Bank with which these bonds are pledged as collateral.

You do not appear to have been correctly or fully advised as to the facts. You state that the President of this bank has explained to you that his bank "had bought and underwritten a much larger volume of Government bonds than they would have done normally because of important Government works put up in his city. Thousands of employees who were compelled to buy Government bonds . . . unloaded them on the bank when the war suddenly ended," and that the bank "has been unable to sell these bonds on a falling market, and the market is falling because the Reserve Board has raised the rate of interest."

The Board has no information, nor does it believe that employees at Government works anywhere were ever compelled to buy Liberty bonds, and it does not believe that in this instance the employees who had subscribed for bonds "unloaded" them on the bank. The Board's information is that when this particular plant was shut down after the signing of the armistice many employees had subscribed for bonds for which they had not finished paying, and the bank referred to in your letter, through an affiliated institution, assumed these subscriptions for the original subscribers on terms which resulted in a considerable loss to the subscribers and a corresponding potential profit to the bank. The bank in question did not pursue the policy which was adopted by many others of selling at the market Liberty bonds which it could not place with investors, large or small, in its community, but seemed to prefer to hold the bonds.

Although up to May 1 1919 the discount rate on member banks' notes secured by Liberty bonds was 4% at eight of the Federal Reserve banks—Boston, New York, Philadelphia, Cleveland, Atlanta, St. Louis, Minneapolis and Dallas—and was 4½% at the other Federal Reserve banks, the market quotations on Liberty bonds had steadily declined, so that the average price during the month of April 1919 of the various issues was as follows: First convertible 4% . . . . . 95.27 Third convertible 4½% . . . . . 93.64 First convertible 4½% . . . . . 95.43 Second 4% . . . . . 93.61 Fourth 4½% . . . . . 93.61

Up to Nov. 1919 these discount rates at the Federal Reserve banks remained the same, except that Dallas had advanced its rate on member banks' collateral notes, secured by Liberties, from 4% to 4½%, and it was not until about the middle of Nov. 1919 that rates on this class of paper at 10 of the banks were advanced to 4½% and at 2—Cleveland and Kansas City—were advanced to 4¾%.

Notwithstanding the fact, however, that for a period of 12 months after the Fourth Liberty Loan member banks in most of the districts could re-discount paper secured by Liberty bonds at rates lower than the coupon rate, and in the other four or five districts at the coupon rate, the bonds had declined to an average of about 94. This completely disproves your contention that the Liberty bond market fell because the Federal Reserve Board raised the rate of interest.

Reverting to the bank referred to in your letter, although this institution had on hand unsold in April 1919 Liberty bonds amounting to more than two and a half times its combined capital and surplus, and to more than 25% of its deposits, and although it was indebted to its Federal Reserve bank at that time, it more than doubled its holdings of Liberty bonds in April and May 1919 by purchases in the open market, the admitted object being to average down the cost of bonds already held. This was done in the face of the Victory Loan campaign, and it is interesting to note that the bank's subscriptions to Victory notes in May 1919 amounted to just one-third of its open market purchases of Liberty bonds in April and May 1919. The Victory notes were bought at par, while the open market purchases of Liberty bonds were made around 94. The bank now has no Victory notes on hand, having sold all it subscribed for.

The Federal Reserve Bank has not been insisting that this bank sell its bonds at a loss, but has been insisting that it adjust its affairs so as to lean less heavily upon the Federal Reserve Bank.

A glance at the discount rates of all Federal Reserve banks during the year 1919 and a study of market quotations for Liberty bonds during the year ought to convince any one that the decline in the market price for Liberty bonds and Victory notes has resulted from circumstances entirely beyond the control of the Federal Reserve Board or the Federal Reserve banks.

In an address made on Friday last before the Academy of Political Science in New York, Assistant Secretary of the Treasury Leffingwell, in referring to predictions made a year ago that Victory notes would shortly go to a premium and that Liberty bonds would be selling at or near par within a year or two, said:

Every one knows why these sanguine expectations have not been realized. With the armistice, and still more after the Victory loan, our people underwent a great reaction. Those who had bought Liberty bonds as a matter of patriotism, but not as investors, began to treat their bonds as so much spending money. Those who had obeyed the injunction to borrow and buy Liberty bonds ignored the complementary injunction to save and pay for them. A \$50 bond in the hands of a patriot turned spendthrift was to him a \$50 bill to be spent Saturday night, or, to her, a new hat, and if the \$50 bill turned out to be a \$45 bill, small matter. This was the first and most immediate cause of the depreciation of Liberty bonds, affecting them particularly.

There are about \$22,000,000,000 of Liberty bonds and Victory notes outstanding. They cannot be brought back to par by artificial methods. Experience has shown that they could not be held at par last year by Federal Reserve discount rates below their coupon rate, and it would be very unwise in the present circumstances to establish a discount rate on paper secured by these obligations much below the current rates for money.

There is a world-wide demand for capital, and the demand for bank credit in this country for agricultural, commercial and industrial purposes



is heavier than has ever been known before; investment demands for new construction, for the maintenance and equipment of railroads, and for the financing of our foreign trade are very great. In the face of all these demands should the Federal Reserve banks have continued to offer a low discount rate on paper secured by Government obligations—a rate far below the current rates for money—they would have been overwhelmed with applications for loans on these securities and the volume would probably have been so great as to have far exceeded their utmost lending power.

While the Federal Reserve Board is authorized and empowered by paragraph (c) of section 11 of the Federal Reserve Act, under certain conditions, to suspend the reserve requirements specified in the Act, it believes that this power is granted it for emergency purposes and that it is not the intent of the Act that the Federal Reserve banks be permitted to operate as a general rule with reserves below the legal minimum. The Board therefore has taken and must continue to take such steps as in its judgment may be necessary to enable the Federal Reserve banks to function normally with reserves not below the minimum required by section 16 of the Federal Reserve Act. In view of the provisions in that section for the redemption of Federal Reserve notes outstanding, it is important that these reserves be maintained.

Ordinarily in the early months of the year there is liquidation, and discount rates work to a lower basis. There has been not let-up, however, in demands upon banks for credit during the present year; the total of discounted and purchased bills held by all Federal Reserve banks on Dec. 26 1919 amounted to \$2,780,090,000; on April 27 the total was \$2,888,748,000. While some may argue from this that the advance in discount rates made by the Federal Reserve banks on Jan. 23 has not been effective, the Board is firmly of the opinion that had these advances not been made the demands upon the Federal Reserve banks would have been much heavier than they have been and that the banks would by this time have all been below their legal reserve.

During the year 1919 the board tested the policy of attempting to control the credit situation by admonitions and warnings without raising rates. While convinced that it is necessary for the Federal Reserve banks to pay the closest attention to the discount policies of member banks, and particularly to those which are large borrowers, and that it is their duty to impress upon the member banks the necessity for the exercise of a discriminating judgment in granting credits, the board feels that the application of a rate is a vital factor in credit control, and it notes with interest your view as expressed in the course of your remarks in the Senate on Friday, April 30, that "when aggressive borrowing banks ask in excess of their own reserves the Federal Reserve Bank is justified in imposing a rate that will penalize those banks, thus automatically checking the abuse."

While you do not say so in direct terms, your letter intimates that the Federal Reserve Board should adjust its discount rates with the view of sustaining the market value of Government bonds, but paragraph (d) of Section 14 of the Federal Reserve Act provides that rates of discount to be charged by the Federal Reserve banks "shall be fixed with a view of accommodating commerce and business." Were rates reduced with a view of bringing Government bonds back to par, it is the board's belief that the desired result would not be attained, while the demand upon the Federal Reserve banks would be so great that they would have left no resources available for the accommodation of commerce and business. As a matter of fact, the policy of the Federal Reserve Board to curb inflation will in the long run result in improving the market value of Liberty bonds and a contrary policy of furnishing credit at cheap rates at a time like this would impair the market. The value of a promise to pay a sum certain at a future date is impaired by the inflation which the board is trying to control.

In the concluding paragraph of your letter you call attention to the "unpardonable and scandalous practice of usurious charges current in New York City" on call loans; "the rates have been running as high as 30%," and enter your protest against this, and call upon the Federal Reserve Board to "put an end to this nefarious practice."

On March 8 1920, upon your motion, the Senate adopted the following resolution:

*Resolved*, That the Federal Reserve Board be, and is hereby, directed to advise the Senate what is the cause and justification for the usurious rates of interest on collateral call loans in the financial centres, under what law authorized, and what steps, if any, are required to abate this condition.

On March 27 1920 the board sent a letter to the Senate giving the information required by the resolution, which was referred to the Committee on Banking and Currency and ordered to be printed. The board infers from the reference you make in your letter to the interest rates on call loans that this reply has not been brought to your attention, and therefore encloses a copy of Senate Document No. 262, which contains the information the board has been able to gather on the subject.

Very truly yours,

W P G HARDING, Governor

HON. R. L. OWEN, *United States Senate.*

Senator Owen's letter, which prompted the above, will be found in the article immediately preceding.

#### PROPOSED NEW METHOD OF QUOTING FOREIGN EXCHANGE.

Certain foreign exchange dealers have the present week undertaken to inaugurate a change in the method long in vogue of quoting exchange on countries in the Latin Monetary Union. Under the change initiated French, Italian and Swiss exchange are quoted in terms of United States money instead of in units of foreign money. In referring to the changed plan the New York "Times" of May 4 said:

If a movement instituted by a number of banks and dealers in foreign exchange is successful, the long established practice of quoting French, Italian, Swiss and Belgian exchanges in the number of units of foreign money a dollar will buy will be changed to the simpler and less confusing method of quoting these units in the number of cents required to buy them. In other words, instead of saying French francs are worth 16.56 to the dollar, which means 16 francs, 56 centimes, the quotation will read 6.04 cents to the franc.

For several years, or ever since the foreign exchange market became a thing of popular interest, a great many persons have been unable to understand why French francs, for instance, should "advance" when the quotation moves from 16.40 to 16.25. The reason, of course, was that at 16.25 francs were more valuable, for it took fewer of them to purchase an American dollar. Similarly, they "went down" when the quotation moved from 16.00 to 16.50.

Spanish pesetas, which have the same normal par that francs have, 19.3 cents each, have been quoted in cents per peseta for years, and the present scheme, which has not as yet become general, is to quote all foreign exchanges this way hereafter

#### PIERRE JAY ON CREDIT SITUATION AND NEED FOR CURBING CREDIT EXPANSION.

The fact that a review of the first four months of 1920 indicates very little progress toward a reduction of either commodity prices or credit volume is stressed in the monthly report made public yesterday (May 7) of Pierre Jay, Federal Reserve Agent of the Federal Reserve Bank of New York, and is the occasion for his dilating upon the need of a stricter control of credit. The new turn upward in credit and prices, Mr. Jay says, "after the half of February, is an unmistakable sign to every banker, whether or not his institution is itself a borrower, that the necessity is here for him to take a more firm and determined stand to prevent further expansion and to inaugurate a gradual and orderly reduction of credit. A difficult program, it is clear, and one requiring even more discretion, courage and public spirit than the bankers manifested so notably during the war; a program which requires the co-operation of producers, distributors and consumers for its success; but a program which, nevertheless, is essential not only to our steady industrial progress but to our entire social and economic well-being, and failure to undertake it is almost certain to lead to abrupt and unhappy consequences."

#### REPRESENTATIVE PLATT NAMED TO SUCCEED ALBERT STRAUSS ON FEDERAL RESERVE BOARD.

The nomination of Representative Edmund Platt, of Poughkeepsie, N. Y. (Republican), to be a member of the Federal Reserve Board to succeed Albert Strauss (whose resignation was referred to in the "Chronicle" of March 6, page 924), was sent to the Senate by President Wilson yesterday (May 7). Representative Platt is Chairman of the House Committee on Banking and Currency. He is the editor of the Poughkeepsie "Eagle-News."

#### STATE INSTITUTIONS ADMITTED TO FEDERAL RESERVE SYSTEM.

The Federal Reserve Board at Washington makes public the following list of institutions which were admitted to the Federal Reserve system in the week ending April 30 1920:

District No.	Capital.	Surplus.	Total Resources.
District No. 4—			
The American State Bank, St. Marys, Ohio.	\$50,000	\$10,000	\$65,105
District No. 11—			
The McCurtain County Bank, Broken Bow, Okla.	40,000	10,000	322,838
Citizens State Bank, Alice, Texas.	60,000	20,000	526,777
District No. 12—			
Bank of Castleford, Castleford, Idaho.	25,000	1,250	28,750

#### CHICAGO CONFERENCE TO CONSIDER REESTABLISHMENT OF FREE WHEAT MARKET.

A National Conference to discuss methods of reestablishing a free and open market for wheat through the grain exchanges of the country upon the approaching termination of the authority of the United States Grain Corporation on June 1 was held yesterday, (May 7) at the La Salle Hotel, Chicago, at the instance of Julius H. Barnes, United States Wheat Director. Wheat and flour trade organizations and newspapers were invited by Mr. Barnes to send representatives to the meeting to confer with him on suitable measures to be taken "to provide for and to permit the establishment of a free and open market for the purchase, sale and handling of wheat and wheat products" upon the expiration of the Wheat Guarantee Act. Problems of national importance made such a meeting imperative in the public interest at the earliest possible moment, Mr. Barnes declared on April 30 in announcing the proposed conference. One is the present level of wheat prices, kept far above that of the United States Guaranteed Price by export buying of wheat only, which in addition to being artificial and liable to stop at any moment, handicaps our own mills and results in underproduction of mill-feed for our dairy industries. Another is the apparent reluctances of the exchanges to return to the pre-war conditions of open trading and reestablishing the hedging facilities which have been suspended during three years of Government wheat control. This attitude of the exchanges it was pointed out by Mr. Barnes, is due largely to the extraordinary trade hazards resulting from world disorganization. Exchange hedging facilities upon which wheat marketing depended for years prior to the war must be restored by individual initiative before the underlying security provided by the Grain Corporation is withdrawn, Mr. Barnes declared. Otherwise, the country faces the risk of wider margins between the producer price and the consumer



price and consequent hardship to both. Foreign buying of wheat, largely concentrated in the hands of Governments the present time, Mr. Barnes said, is forced by bread subsidies abroad and by the inability of their war-crippled private agencies to "carry at high values sufficient stock and sufficient flow for assurance of the bread requirements of their people." He added that "the decision of purchase and prices paid rests in a few officials, and it is measurably true that these officials, with or without concerted action, can influence the price level for America." Mr. Barnes' letter made public May 1, outlining the plans for the Conference, follows:

The Wheat Guaranty Act expires June 1 1920. This Act provided in the section relating to Grain Exchanges, that reasonable steps should be taken "to provide for and to permit the establishment of a free and open market for the purchase, sale, and handling of wheat and wheat products upon the expiration of this Act."

Preliminary inquiry of the grain exchanges of the country indicates unwillingness, because of present extraordinary hazards inherent in world disorganization, to reestablish the hedging facilities on which the American marketing machinery for year had relied. The security of hedging markets enabled manufacturing and distributing agencies to handle large quantities without jeopardizing their capital solvency by price level changes; assure active competition by ready credit. While open trading on exchanges has been suspended for three years, the sustaining influence of actual and potential buying of wheat at the Fair Price Basis furnished the same underlying security.

Because of these influences the wheat producer received a larger per cent of the ultimate consumer price at home and abroad than in any other land or any other commodity. This is now jeopardized by conditions that should be understood by all.

The chief hazards rest on inadequate inland transportation and on foreign buying dominated by Governments.

Liquid inland transportation is essential if the producer is to find a ready market and at a fair reflection of the ultimate markets. Moreover, the five or six cities with open exchange trading before the war demonstrated daily a national price level. On the security of that level grain flowed in normal channels, not necessarily through the particular accumulative points at which exchange trading was quoted, but always with the potential delivery in those markets if necessary. Under present inland transportation conditions this potential delivery protection is crippled, exposing the exchanges to concentrated buying, and particularly that of foreign Governments.

Foreign buying at present is, directly or indirectly, the act of Governments, with their large resources. This Government buying is forced, first, by their bread subsidies and therefore the necessity of passing purchases through their national treasuries; second, because private agencies, crippled by war, cannot carry at high values sufficient stock and sufficient flow for assurance of the bread requirements of their people. Formerly current prices were the meeting point of differing individual opinions, at home and abroad, affected daily by world crop progress or better approximation of world consumption. To-day the decision of purchase and prices paid rests in a few officials, and it is measurably true that these officials, with or without concerted action, can influence the price level for America.

Moreover, their policies are not governed by usual commercial practice. Present purchases, confined to wheat because of a desire for home employment, ignore flour, and our mills suffer a completely artificial handicap. This reflects into underproduction of mill-feed for our dairy industries. A wheat price, advanced in this manner under export buying of wheat only, lacks even the cushion of current flour market protection against too rapid a fall, should foreign buying for any reason discontinue. Private opinion may or may not be confident as to world wheat needs and prices therefrom resulting, but credits have never rested on the opinion of traders; but on the security of hedges which minimize losses in price fluctuations. Wide and rapid fluctuations in prices are to be expected, naturally, from fluctuations in overseas exchange, unusual ocean freights, the limitations of credits, outside of the artificial influence of the views of foreign government officials.

If in addition hedging facilities are lacking, the risks thus faced can only result in a wider relation between producer price and consumer price. The Grain Corporation has protected the consumer to date by resale of purchases made at the fair price level in the protection of the producer. Its holdings are almost exhausted; its authority about to expire. Individual initiative must take up the whole wheat handling machinery, which may require, under world hazards, reshaping or adjustment.

Therefore, I invite you to send representatives to attend a Conference, for a better understanding of new problems and new conditions, on May 7 1920, at 11 a. m. in the La Salle Hotel, Chicago.

A letter of Mr. Barnes expressing opposition to the extension of the Government wheat guarantee beyond June 1, the date of its termination, was given in these columns last Saturday, May 1, page 1812.

#### U. S. FOOD ADMINISTRATION REVOKES LICENSE OF SULLIVAN MILL & ELEVATOR CO.

Julius H. Barnes, chief of the cereal division of the United States Food Administration, announced on May 1 that he has revoked until further notice, effective at noon, April 30, the Food Administration license covering wheat and wheat products heretofore issued to the Sullivan Mill and Elevator Co of Sullivan, Ind., for admitted violations of the Food Control Act, approved Aug. 10 1917, and the rules, regulations and requirements of the Food Administration particularly including failing to keep accurate accounts and records and failing to render accurate reports truly reflecting their actual wheat milling operations during the ten months ending June 30 1918. The announcement of the U. S. Grain Corporation says:

As a result of such violations it became impossible to determine the exact amount of excess profits taken by the Sullivan Mill and Elevator Co. although the evidence clearly established that such excess profits to a substantial amount had been taken and retained by the company.

It was also announced that because of such revocation of its Food Administration Wheat and Wheat Product License and because of the misconduct leading to such revocation the wheat director license of the Sullivan Mill and Elevator Co. has also been revoked, effective at noon, April 30, until further notice.

#### SUGAR REFINERS REACH AN AGREEMENT WITH GOVERNMENT TO ALLOCATE SUGAR AMONG ESSENTIAL INDUSTRIES.

A proposal that available sugar stocks be pro-rated among essential industries to prevent any possible spoilage in the fruit and vegetable crops has been accepted by the large sugar refiners as a result of conferences in Washington and New York, it became known on May 6. Regarding the agreement Washington advices of that date to the Philadelphia "Public Ledger" had the following to say:

Canners and preservers will be furnished with sufficient sugar to meet all their legitimate needs, it was announced to-day by Howard E. Figg, Assistant Attorney-General, who conferred with refiners' representatives, including John A. McCarthy, of Philadelphia, in New York yesterday. Mr. Figg declined to comment on reports that curtailment of sugar supplies to soft drink and candy manufacturers will be attempted by the Government, but it is understood that rationing measures such as were applied during the war may become necessary.

The same advices also said:

Just why there should be an immediate shortage of sugar in the United States is not apparent from figures on sugar imports for April obtained at the Department of Commerce to-day. Nearly 1,000,000,000 pounds of sugar were brought into the United States during April, considerably more than the amount imported during April 1919. May imports probably will exceed those of April but beginning with June or July the imports will diminish and shortage conditions may be expected to prevail during the fall, with the bulk of the sugar used in the summer canning.

#### SUGAR ADVANCED TO 22¼ CENTS A POUND BY UTAH-IDAHO COMPANY—RETAIL PRICE 28 CENTS.

An increase in the price of refined sugar from a 13-cent basis to 22¼ cents per pound was announced on May 1 by the Utah-Idaho Sugar Company of Salt Lake City, said to be the largest sugar producer in the inter-mountain region.

In consequence of this action retail prices of beet sugar at Salt Lake City advanced from 16 to 28 cents a pound.

#### ADVANCE IN PRICE OF ANTHRACITE COAL \$1 A TON BY LEHIGH COAL & NAVIGATION CO.

The Lehigh Coal & Navigation Co. of Philadelphia announced on April 30, effective the following day, an advance of \$1 a ton in the price of domestic sizes of anthracite coal.

#### U. S. SUPREME COURT DENIES GOVERNMENT'S REQUEST FOR REOPENING OF SUIT AGAINST U. S. STEEL CORPORATION.

The United States Supreme Court on May 3 declined to grant the request of the Government for the reopening of the latter's suit against the United States Steel Corporation. The application made by the Government for a rehearing of the case was filed on April 28, as was indicated in these columns last Saturday, page 1814, the argument on the motion for a rehearing having been based largely on the decision of the Court last week ordering the dissolution of the Reading Company and its subsidiaries. In its findings in the suit against the Steel Corporation on March 1 the Supreme Court had affirmed the decree of the District Court of the United States for the District of New Jersey dismissing the Government suit for the dissolution of the corporation and its subsidiary companies.

#### NOMINATION OF THEODORE E. BURTON FOR U. S. TARIFF BOARD WITHDRAWN BY PRESIDENT.

The nomination of Theodore E. Burton to be a member of the United States Tariff Commission was withdrawn from the Senate by President Wilson on April 28. As reported in these columns April 17, page 1599, Mr. Burton, who was formerly a United States Senator from Ohio, was named as a member of the Commission on April 13 to fill the vacancy due to the resignation of Frank W. Taussig. The former Senator is understood to have declined the Commissionership, having, it is said, informed the President that he preferred to remain in private life.

#### SAMUEL W. McCALL NAMED AS MEMBER OF U. S. TARIFF COMMISSION.

The name of Samuel W. McCall to be a member of the U. S. Tariff Commission was sent to the Senate by President Wilson on May 6. Mr. McCall, who was formerly Governor of Massachusetts, has been named to take the place on the Tariff Commission declined by former Senator Theodore E.



Burton. A press dispatch from Winchester, Mass., May 6, said:

Former Governor Samuel W. McCall said to-day that his decision to accept appointment to the Tariff Commission was made after receipt of a letter from Chairman Page of the Commission urging him to accept and outlining what he said was the very important character of the work to be undertaken by the Commission during the coming year. Mr. McCall is a Republican. He served fourteen of his twenty years in Congress as a member of the Ways and Means Committee of the House, which initiates tariff legislation.

#### DEFICIT IN OPERATION OF TELEGRAPHS AND TELEPHONES BY GOVERNMENT—DIFFERENCES WITH MACKAY COMPANIES.

A request that an appropriation of \$14,005,566 be made immediately available to cover the deficit in the operation of the telegraph and telephone systems during Government control is made in a letter addressed to Secretary of the Treasury Houston on May 1 by Postmaster General Burluson, and made public May 4. The deficit, the letter says "is the outcome of telegraph and telephone operations involving gross revenues of over \$600,000,000 during the period of Federal control and therefore represents less than 2½% of the total gross revenues." The letter of the Postmaster General deals with the basis of compensation, administration expenses, cause of deficit, &c., and among other things states that he "was unable to enter into a compensation agreement with the Mackay companies for the use of their land lines known as the Postal Telegraph system, embracing some 39 distinct companies." The amount of compensation contended for by the Mackay companies, he says, was considered excessive, and a compensation award of \$1,680,000 per annum was made to these companies for the use of this system. The award was rejected by the Mackay companies the latter maintaining "that they are entitled as compensation to the entire net revenue arising from the operation of their land line system during the period of Federal control which amounted to \$2,803,392." The difference between this amount and that awarded by the Post Master General, namely, \$2,123,393 was demanded from the Mackay companies and refused by them, and legal action, Mr. Burluson announces, will be instituted against the Mackay companies by the Government. The following is the Postmaster General's letter seeking the appropriation above noted:

#### OFFICE OF THE POSTMASTER GENERAL.

Washington, D. C., May 1 1920.

Hon. David F. Houston, Secretary of the Treasury, Washington, D. C.

My Dear Mr. Secretary.—By direction of the President, I have the honor to submit herewith an estimate for an appropriation of the sum of \$14,005,565 84, to be immediately available and to remain available until expended, to cover the deficit in the operation of the telegraph and telephone systems during the period of Government control and to carry out the provisions of the Joint Resolution of July 16 1918, and the Act approved July 11 1919, with reference to just compensation to the owners of the telegraph and telephone systems for the supervision, possession, control and operation of their properties by the United States during the period beginning midnight July 31 1918, and ending midnight July 31 1919. This estimate covers the following items:

(a) Amount due telegraph and telephone companies as of Aug. 1 1919, accounts of which have been audited and with which terms of settlement have been agreed upon.....	\$11,455,565 84
Estimated amount to cover settlement with the remaining telegraph and telephone companies.....	1,850,000 00
(c) Estimated amount to cover interest from Aug. 1 1919, until paid on amount due to telegraph and telephone companies as of Aug. 1 1919.....	700,000 00
<b>Total.....</b>	<b>\$14,005,565 84</b>

This deficit is the outcome of telegraph and telephone operations involving gross revenues of over six hundred million dollars during the period of Federal control and therefore represents less than 2½% of the total gross revenues.

The need for this appropriation is explained by the following statement:

**Basis of Compensation.**—The Joint Resolution approved July 16 1918, under authority of which the telegraph and telephone properties were taken over by the Government, provided that "just compensation" should be made for the use of the properties, to be determined by the President, but no method for determining "just compensation" was prescribed. With respect to the basis of compensation for the wire properties this Joint Resolution differed from the Congressional Act which authorized the President to undertake the operation and management of the railroads, in which latter case it was provided that the compensation to the railroads should be fixed at the average net operating income of the railroad companies for the three fiscal years 1915, 1916 and 1917, with a proportionate allowance for any increase in invested capital.

The vast number of telegraph and telephone companies whose properties were taken over under this Joint Resolution made impossible during the year of Federal control the investigation necessary to determine just compensation for most of them. However, during the period of Federal control compensation agreements were entered into with one hundred and eighty of the larger telegraph and telephone companies which owned and operated approximately ninety-four per cent. of the telegraph and telephone properties in the United States.

The basis of compensation agreed upon with these companies is fully discussed in the Postmaster General's report to the President of Oct. 31 1919 (Senate Document No. 152, Sixty-Sixth Congress, First Session, pp. 13-17). The compensation, including depreciation, allowed in these agreements was 93.82% of the amount which would have been allowed had compensation fixed on the basis fixed by the Congress for compensation to the railroads—in other words the compensation fixed by the Wire Control

Board amounted to 93.82% of the same percentage of return on the average fixed capital during the period of Federal control as the systems themselves actually earned on their average fixed capital during the years 1915, 1916 and 1917. This ascertainment having been reached, it was determined upon as the basis for settlement with the companies with which compensation agreements had not been entered into, and its justness was at once recognized and it has been accepted by most of the companies, thus placing both the contract and non-contract companies upon the same basis. The above estimate for appropriation reflects settlements with contract and non-contract companies upon this basis, the agreed settlements representing about ninety per cent. of the deficit.

**Administration Expenses.**—One of the first steps in the administration of the telegraph and telephone systems after they were taken over by the Government was the appointment by the Postmaster General of a committee known as the Wire Control Board, charged with full responsibility for the control and management of the wire properties taken over by the President under the terms of the Joint Resolution. The members of this Board were allowed no compensation for their services in connection with the control and operation of the wires. The Operating Board, appointed by the Postmaster General Dec. 13 1918, which had direct charge of operation of the telegraph and telephone systems from Jan. 1 1919, until June 14 1919, was composed of officials of the telegraph and telephone companies who were assigned to this duty. They were allowed no additional compensation as members of this Board, their regular salaries continuing to be paid out of the operating revenues of the particular companies with which they were connected. The only expense incurred in the administration of the telegraph and telephone systems consisted primarily of the salaries and moderate traveling expense of three expert economists and statistical advisers, a consulting engineer and valuation expert, and a small accounting and auditing force for the audit and adjustment of accounts of the various companies. The entire expense of administration incurred up to this date has amounted to but \$125,000 paid out of the telegraph and telephone revenues, and \$12,000 allotted by the President from his General Defense Fund.

The entire properties controlled represented an investment of over one and one-half billion dollars. This total overhead expense of \$137,000 was but two one-hundredths of one per cent. of the total operating revenues during the period of Federal control.

**Deferred Maintenance.**—The contracts with the companies provided that the properties should be maintained by the Postmaster General up to a standard relatively equal to that on and prior to July 31 1918, so that their state of repair and operating condition would be relatively the same at the expiration of the period of Federal control as at its beginning. This obligation has been met to the satisfaction of the companies. The amounts necessary to cover such maintenance and depreciation are reflected in the figures herewith presented. There are therefore no deferred maintenance obligations.

**Materials and Supplies.**—In the compensation contracts it was provided that at the end of the period of Federal control the Postmaster General should return to the owner an equal quantity and quality of materials and supplies received by the Postmaster General, and that to the extent that such materials and supplies were not returned account should be made therefor at the same prevailing prices at the end of the period of Federal control, the owner of the systems to account for any excess of materials and supplies over those delivered by it to the Postmaster General at the beginning of Federal control. Under settlement agreements with the companies all differences in materials and supplies at the beginning and end of Federal control have been adjusted on the basis of the cost figures at each period, without regard to the difference in quantities, qualities or prices, thus leaving no claims on account of this item.

**Interest.**—The contracts with the owners of the properties provided for the payment of compensation in monthly installments and that all payments under the contracts not paid within five days after due should draw interest from the date of maturity until paid at the rate of 5% per annum. In arriving at settlements with the various owners it was agreed that while the compensation agreements provide for certain monthly settlements and interest on delayed payments, all interest be waived with the exception of interest from Aug. 1 1919, until paid on the net amount of compensation found to be due the companies.

In arriving at compensation agreements with the companies with which contracts were not made prior to the expiration of Federal control, it was the purpose, as heretofore stated, to accord to these companies the same relative treatment as was accorded to the companies with which contracts were made, and therefore provision is made for the payment of 5% interest on the net amount of compensation due each of those companies also from Aug. 1 1919 until paid. An item covering interest on the amounts due the various companies as compensation is included in the above estimate.

**Capital furnished Companies.**—The Government furnished no capital to any of the companies, but in accordance with the terms of the contracts the cost of new capital employed in extensions of property during the period of Federal control is reflected in the compensation allowed.

**Judgments and Decrees.**—No provisions was made by Congress for suits upon causes of action arising out of the operation of the wire systems by the Government, and while a number of damage suits have been filed against the wire companies or the Postmaster-General, or both, the position has been taken and sustained by the courts that there is no liability upon the Government for the reason that the actions sounded in tort and Congress never having consented that the United States may be sued upon such causes, the actions could not be maintained against the United States and that there is no liability upon the owners of the telegraph or telephone systems for the reason that their systems were actually being operated by the United States, and not by themselves, and therefore a judgment upon any cause of action arising out of the operation of the systems by the United States would deprive the owners of the system of his property without just compensation and without due process of law. No funds are provided in the foregoing estimate to settle judgments or decrees, and it is not anticipated that any will be necessary.

**Cause of Deficit.**—Many of the properties at the time they were taken over were not making operating expenses and a fair return on the investment, due mainly to increased operating expenses, involving increased costs of labor and material, and these expenses continued to increase after the Government took control of the properties. Not only did the cost of material and supplies continue to mount, but it became necessary to make substantial increases in wages in some localities. No appropriation having been made for operation of the properties and it being the policy of the Postmaster-General to operate them within their revenues, it was found necessary to endeavor to meet these increasing costs of operations by increasing the telegraph and telephone rates. This course met with resistance in the courts by certain State Utility Commissions and many of the rates did not go into effect until shortly before the termination of Government control and after the decision of the Supreme Court of the United States on June 2 1919 in the case of Dakota Central Telephone Co. v. State of South Dakota. Had it not been for these injunction suits, which postponed the effectiveness of the rate increases, or had the properties been



operated by the Government a few months longer, as was pointed out to the Congress, there would have been no deficit from the operation of the wire systems, but on the contrary the operating revenues would have met the expenses and would also have paid the just compensation to the owners of the systems for the use of their properties, and the appropriation by Congress of funds for this purpose would have been unnecessary.

**Balances Due Government.**—The net revenues of some of the companies which entered into compensation agreements with the Government for the use of their properties were in excess of the amounts fixed in the contracts for compensation. These amounts have already been paid or the payments are ready to be made and are only awaiting final auditing of the accounts. These balances in favor of the Government are reflected in the above deficiency estimate.

The Postmaster-General was unable to enter into a compensation agreement with the Mackay companies for the use of their land lines known as the Postal Telegraph System, embracing some thirty-nine distinct telegraph companies. The amount of compensation contended for by the Mackay companies was considered excessive by the Postmaster-General, in view of their sworn reports to the Inter-State Commerce Commission, showing the capital invested and net revenues, and a compensation award was made to these companies of \$1,680,000 per annum for the use of this system. The facts in some detail with respect to the Mackay Companies' compensation appear in Part 1, pp. 27-30, of the Hearings on H. J. 368 before the Committee on Post Offices and Post Roads, House of Representatives, Sixty-Fifth Congress, Third Session, and in Part I, pp. 6-9, and Part II, pp. 199-201, of the Hearings on H. R. 421 before the Committee on Inter-State and Foreign Commerce, House of Representatives, Sixty-Sixth Congress, First Session; and in the Postmaster-General's Report to the President on the administration of the Wire Systems, pp. 14-15. The award made to the Mackay Companies was formally rejected by them, but they have thus far failed to enter suit for a judicial determination of the just compensation due them, as prescribed by the Joint Resolution under which the property was taken over by the Government. The Mackay Companies maintain that they are entitled as compensation to the entire net revenue arising from the operation of their land line system during the period of Federal control, which amounted to \$3,803,392.56. The difference between this amount and that awarded by the Postmaster-General as just compensation is \$2,123,392.56. This amount was demanded in writing from the Mackay Companies, which demand was formally refused by them. Legal action against the Mackay Companies will be instituted by the Government and whatever amount may be recovered therein will be covered into the Treasury. It will be some years before a final determination can be reached in the courts in this matter. In any event the constitutional obligations of the Government to pay just compensation for the use of the telegraph and telephone properties cannot be contingent upon the final result in this suit and in the present adjustment of the obligations of the Government with the other companies, this controversy it would seem, should have no part.

**Necessity for a Early Appropriation.**—The Government is obligated to pay interest from Aug. 1 1919 on all balances found due to the telegraph and telephone companies upon the return of their properties. It is therefore in the interest of economy that the money necessary to pay off these obligations be made available as soon as possible in order to stop the running of interest. Many of the companies are in need of money at this time and the prompt payment of these obligations will enable them better to furnish the facilities of communication which the public interests demand.

**Return of Properties.**—The wire properties were promptly returned in accordance with the terms of the law passed by Congress. During the period of Government control the properties had been maintained to the entire satisfaction of the owners. The business of each company had been preserved intact and the management had been such during this period that the value of the properties had not been in the slightest impaired; on the contrary the value of the properties had been materially enhanced. It is a source of great satisfaction to the Wire Control Board that these facts are generally acknowledged by the companies whose properties were taken over by the Government, including those which were at first most apprehensive and critical.

Respectfully,

(Signed) A. S. BURLESON,  
Postmaster-General.

In a statement issued on May 5 William J. Deegan, Secretary of the Mackay companies, claims that his company earned \$4,029,195 and that the bringing of a suit by the Postmaster General is just what the company wants. His statement says in part:

Burleson says that if he had had more time he would have made up this deficit of \$14,005,000. How does he reconcile that with the recent statement of one of the Vice-Presidents of the Bell Telephone Company that Burleson turned back its lines in a greatly crippled condition, both as regards plant and service? In addition to this, everybody knows that the telephone and telegraph service given by Burleson was abominable and was steadily getting worse. The longer he kept the lines the worse the service and the bigger the deficit; the fewer the repairs and the bigger the rates.

Burleson says he intends to bring suit against us for \$2,123,392. That is exactly what we want him to do. We earned \$4,029,195 and he awarded us as compensation \$1,680,000. Every other telegraph and telephone company was given as much or more than it earned, with the exception of two or three little telephone companies where the difference was only a few dollars.

The Western Union and the Bell Telephone were given \$10,211,681 more than they earned. Burleson proposed to take our profits to make up the losses of the Western Union. The courts will make short work of him.

Before Congress appropriates \$10,211,681 to give to the Western Union and Bell Telephone Companies in excess of what they earned, Congress should look into the manner in which that excess compensation was awarded to them by Burleson. The Bell Telephone attorney took part and in fact sat in at hearings in regard to our compensation.

#### MARK W. POTTER NAMED AS MEMBER OF INTER-STATE COMMERCE COMMISSION.

In addition to the two new members of the Inter-State Commerce Commission named last week by President Wilson (announced in our issue of Saturday last, page 1818), President Wilson on May 6 nominated as a member of the Commission Mark W. Potter, of New York, President of the Carolina, Clinchfield & Ohio Ry. In the event that the three nominations are confirmed by the Senate, the appointments will bring the Commission up to its newly authorized strength

of eleven members. Mr. Potter, who is a Democrat, was nominated for one of the two positions recently created by Congress in enlarging the Commission under the Transportation Act, and for a term which will expire at the end of 1923. Four of the present eight commissioners are Democrats and four are Republicans. Of the two men nominated last week and still unconfirmed, one, it is stated, is a Democrat and one an Independent.

#### RAILROAD FREIGHT RATE INCREASES SOUGHT— DANIEL WILLARD'S STATEMENT FOR EASTERN ROADS.

Freight rate increases averaging 28%, and to yield additional revenue of \$1,017,766,000 are, it is estimated by the Association of Railway Executives, necessary in order to enable the railroads of the country to meet higher operating costs and to permit the carriers to earn a 6% return on their property investment. Statements were submitted to the Inter-State Commerce Commission on the 4th inst. in which it is shown that in the case of the railroads in Eastern territory it is necessary for them to secure an increase of 21.16% in all their revenues, or an increase of 30.43% in their freight revenues, in order that they may earn a net operating income of 6%. Southern railroads propose an advance in rates by 30.9% to provide 20.7% larger revenues; the required freight rate advance in the West is placed at 23.9% to increase all revenues by 17%. Tables submitted by the carriers showed that their net income in 1916 was \$1,056,000,000 and that in 1919 it fell to \$510,000,000 notwithstanding an increased investment in these three years of more than \$2,000,000,000. But, the carriers pointed out if the present level of costs had been in operation throughout 1919, the year's net would have been only \$220,000,000, or but little more than 1% on their property investment of \$20,000,000,000. The statement in behalf of the Eastern roads was presented by Daniel Willard, President of the Baltimore & Ohio RR. and Chairman of the Sub-Committee of General Committee of Official Classification Territory. In dealing with the effect of increased rates and increased basis of expenses as of March 1920, applied to the total business of the 38 Eastern systems during 1916, Mr. Willard showed that the basis of operating expenses, due to higher wages and augmented prices of material and fuel had advanced 99.10%, while the increases derived from revenues had been but 36.37%. In the case of the Eastern roads additional revenue of \$544,113,702 is sought to restore the relation of revenues to expenses and to adjust their income to a 6% basis. It was suggested by the roads in general that the additional revenue required be derived from freight traffic the passenger rates to remain undisturbed. In behalf of the railroads in Official Classification Territory, Mr. Willard submitted the following statement to the Commission as to their financial condition, need of additional net railway operating income and the manner in which it should be secured.

1. Section 15a of the Interstate Commerce Act provides that:

In the exercise of its power to prescribe just and reasonable rates the Commission shall initiate, modify, establish or adjust such rates so that carriers as a whole (or as a whole in each of such rate groups or territories as the Commission may from time to time designate) will, under honest, efficient and economical management and reasonable expenditures for maintenance of way, structures and equipment, earn an aggregate annual net railway operating income equal as nearly as may be to a fair return upon the aggregate value of the railway property of such carriers held for and used in the service of transportation.

and further provides that:

The Commission shall from time to time determine and make public what percentage of such aggregate property value constitutes a fair return thereon, and such percentage shall be uniform for all rate groups or territories which may be designated by the Commission. In making such determination it shall give due consideration, among other things, to the transportation needs of the country and the necessity (under honest, efficient and economical management of existing transportation facilities) of enlarging such facilities in order to provide the people of the United States with adequate transportation.

2. The territory commonly known as Official Classification Territory has been since 1887 a well defined rate territory, substantially differentiated from other rate territories in the United States by differences in industrial, commercial and transportation conditions. Within this territory there are a large number of railways and railway systems whose lines are confined thereto. There is very little overlapping in this territory of lines of railway more largely identified with other rate territories. It has been recognized by this Commission in many cases as a separate territory within which rates may be and have been adjusted with relation to each other. Its limits for the purposes of this proceeding may be established as follows: The Atlantic Seaboard from the Canadian Border to Norfolk, Virginia, the main line of the Norfolk & Western Railway from Norfolk, Va., to Kenova, West Virginia, the main line of the Chesapeake & Ohio Railway from Kenova W. Va. to Cincinnati, Ohio, the Ohio River to Cairo, Ill., the Mississippi River from the mouth of the Illinois River, at or near Grafton, Ill., the Illinois River from Grafton, Ill. to Pekin, Ill., a line south and east of the Atchafalaya Topeka & Santa Fe Railway from Pekin, Ill., through Joliet and Streator, Ill., to Chicago, Ill., a line drawn from Chicago, Ill. to include the southern peninsula of Michigan, and thence following the international boundary to the Atlantic Seaboard.



3. At the present time many of the carriers are barely earning operating expenses and some of them are earning less than operating expenses. Under present conditions nearly all these carriers are guaranteed the standard return by the Government, and the Government is therefore sustaining heavy losses as a result of the operation of these properties under present rates. After Sept. 1 1920, when the Government's guaranty expires, the carriers unless immediate relief by an increase in revenue through increases in rates be granted, will be unable to earn any substantial return upon the value of their properties. It is therefore imperatively necessary in the public interest, as well as in the interest of the carriers, that increases in rates be made effective at the earliest practicable date.

4. The aggregate value of the property of the carriers in Official Classification Territory cannot at the present time be finally ascertained. The property investment account of the carriers and their leased lines, including materials and supplies, amounted on Dec. 31 1919, to \$9,368,698,698. The carriers believe and therefore state that this property investment in the aggregate is substantially less than the aggregate value of the property held for and used by them in the service of transportation.

5. The cost of capital at the present time to railroad companies of the best credit, offering the best available security is about 7½%. Section 15a of the Interstate Commerce Act provides for a return to the carriers as a group or in such groups as may be established of 6%, as a maximum for the period of two years beginning Mar. 1 1920. It is submitted that this Commission should, in the present emergency, adopt the maximum so prescribed in order to aid the carriers as far as possible in strengthening their credit and securing additional capital. 6% on the property investment, including materials and supplies, of the carriers, or approximately \$562,121,921, represents substantially less than the minimum net operating income which the carriers should earn in the public interest and as a fair return on their property held for and used in the service of transportation. This amount of net railway operating income is substantially less than the amount required to meet existing capital charges, provide for additions and betterments properly chargeable to income, and afford a basis of credit on which new capital may be attracted to the transportation business. Such rates of transportation should be established as will permit the carriers as a group to earn not less than the amount of net operating income above stated.

6. The carriers have made estimates of the amount of necessary increases in revenue through increases in rates. For this purpose they have taken the operating expenses and operating revenues of the preproperties of the carriers by the United States Railroad Administration for the year ending Oct. 31 1919, the latest available period, have allowed proper credit to the revenues of that year on account of the retroactive application of the decision of this Commission in the Railway Mail Pay Case, Docket 9200, and proper adjustments in expenses due to the fact that certain expenses effective Oct. 31 1919, were not, in all cases, effective throughout the entire year. On the basis of these adjustments the carriers have found, assuming they were to operate their properties for a year with the same adjusted gross revenues and adjusted expenses and including certain additional known expenses, such as increases in the price of fuel and the reestablishment of per diem, it would be necessary for them to secure an increase of 21.16% in all their revenues, or an increase of 30.43% in their freight revenues interstate and intrastate in order to earn an amount of net operating income equal to 6% on the property investment of the carriers, including material and supplies.

7. It is the judgment of the carriers that the increases in revenue necessary to meet present known expenses and provide a fair return should be secured from freight traffic. Because of the complexities of ordinary freight tariff publication, such increases in rates can, generally speaking, be made within a short time only by the application of a percentage method of increase in rates. The carriers therefore propose that they be permitted to file supplements proposing percentage increases. If this is permitted, the carriers will undertake with the utmost expedition to substitute for these percentage supplement tariffs in the ordinary from preserving differentials in the usual manner.

On grain and grain products from points in Central territory to points in Trunk Line, New England and Virginia territory, the tariff is comparatively simple and it would be practicable to publish a specific tariff on this traffic in lieu of a percentage supplement. This, it is believed, would be in the public interest.

In proposing advances on bituminous coal, other than lake cargo and tidewater coal, the carriers propose a slight modification of the strict percentage basis for the purpose of preserving differentials from groups of origin. This method would involve taking certain basing groups of origin, advancing the rates from these groups the same percentage as all other freight traffic and applying the amount of the increase thus ascertained in cents per ton as a specific increase from each related group to the same point of destination. In dealing with lake cargo and tidewater coal, the same percentage is proposed and the same method suggested with certain necessary adjustments to preserve differentials.

In advancing rates on coke from the Connellsville region and related districts, the same method is suggested using the Connellsville rates as the basis for advancing rates both eastbound and westbound.

8. In order to expedite this investigation and to arrive at a prompt decision, it is suggested that there should be cooperation between this Commission and the various State Commissions as to the matter of rates necessary to produce the revenue mentioned herein.

In conclusion, without prejudice to the right of any of them in due course to ask for special consideration of rates, or divisions thereof, either generally or on particular traffic, the carriers respectfully propose that this Commission designate Official Classification Territory as a rate territory, and establish or authorize such freight rates, not less than 30% in excess of existing rates, as may be found to be necessary in order to assure to the carriers a return of at least 6% upon the aggregate value of their property as provided in Section 15a (3) of the Interstate Commerce Act, and that such advance be permitted to be made by brief supplements to existing tariffs and to be made effective as soon as practicable.

A further statement of carriers of the Eastern District, which was also presented by Mr. Willard to the Commission, contained the following:

A statement is attached (marked A) giving the operating revenues, expenses, net revenues and net railway operating income of these carriers for the years 1916 to 1919 inclusive, as audited, and also for the year 1919 so adjusted as to reflect more nearly the present conditions—and shows as follows:

Calendar Year	Net Revenues	Operating Ratio	Net Ry. Oper. Income	Dec. Comp. with 1916
1916	\$570,377,155	67.41	\$464,434,104	
1917	497,477,306	74.21	368,231,549	D 20.71
1918	365,341,843	84.71	251,215,146	D 45.91
1919	297,706,179	87.87	182,238,706	D 60.76
1919 (as adjusted)	207,518,156	91.58	42,409,693	D 90.87

Taking 1916, which is selected because it is the last full year preceding the radical changes that have since occurred in both revenues and expenses, and

comparing it with the year 1919, as audited, there is noted a change in the ratio of expenses to earnings from 67.41 in 1916 to 87.87 in 1919, and this notwithstanding the freight ton miles handled decreased but 5.77%, while freight train miles actually decreased 18.72%, due to an increase in tons per train mile from 699 to 810. During the same period there was an increase in passengers carried one mile of 30.27% with a decrease in passenger train miles of 12.75%. Ordinarily a condition such as indicated by these figures would have resulted in a substantially lower operating ratio, with a corresponding increase in net revenue.

This comparison clearly demonstrates that the increase in the basis of operating expenses has far exceeded the increase in the basis of operating revenues. The extent to which the increases in operating expenses have outstripped the increases in rates may be more definitely shown by applying to the business of 1916 the increased rates and charges and the increased bases of expense which actually obtained in March, 1920.

Careful estimates, based on the experience of the Pennsylvania, New York Central and Baltimore and Ohio Railroads, have been made, and the percentages of increased cost and rates so ascertained, have been applied to the aggregate business handled in 1916 by the 38 Eastern systems, petitioners in the 15% case. Statement (marked B), attached, shows in detail the combined income account so adjusted, and the effect of increased rates and increased expenses as of March, 1920, applied to the business of the year 1916, which may be summarized as follows:

*Effect of Increased Rates and Increased Basis of Expenses as of March, 1920 Applied to the Total Business of the 38 Eastern Systems During the Year 1916.*

Increase in revenues derived from:	
I. C. C. authority—15% case, &c.	\$158,462,984
U. S. RR. Administration—Frt. increase 25%	337,007,051
U. S. RR. Administration—pass. increase 26.98%	86,803,036
I. C. C. authority—mail increase, 55%	12,554,149
I. C. C. authority—express increase 10%	4,311,649
Miscellaneous increase—estimated	9,648,011
<b>Total increased revenues as above</b>	<b>\$608,786,880—36.37%</b>
Increase in expenses, taxes and rents	
Rates of pay (per hour) 102.33%	\$692,786,352
Fuel 154.78%	175,121,726
Materials 74%	156,103,050
Miscellaneous (claims, freight car repairs, and joint facility operations, &c., estimated)	125,576,367
Taxes	49,318,862
Hire of equipment and joint facility rents	16,282,389
<b>Total increase in basis of expenses</b>	<b>\$1,215,188,746—99.10%</b>
<b>Net increase of costs over increase of revenues, \$606,401,866</b>	

Note.—This computation does not reflect the full weight of increased basis of costs as it makes no provision for increases due to changes in working conditions.

It will be noted that while the expense basis since 1916 has been increased 99.10%, the revenue basis during the same period has been increased but 36.37%.

As a result the ratio of operating expenses to operating revenues, which in 1916 was 67.32%, becomes 99.73% when revenues and expenses are restated on existing cost and revenue basis. A comparison of these results with the actual results for 1919, as audited, indicates that the increase in passenger earnings and economies in operation incident to increased train load, direction of traffic, &c., made possible largely by unusual conditions resulting from the war, including the demobilization of the military forces, enabled the Railroad Administration to off-set, to a substantial degree, the increased basis of expense shown above, resulting in an operating ratio of 87.87% for the year 1919, as audited. Increased passenger business handled with less train mileage might account for one-half of this reduction. However, the results of 1919 operations are of little value as a basis for future calculations, unless consideration be given to the circumstances under which the traffic (much of it incident to the demobilization of the army) was actually handled, and further, unless the audited figures be so adjusted as to fairly reflect the elements of increased revenue and increased expense which it is now known will be effective in the future.

It has been suggested that the year ended Dec. 31 1919 was not typical because of the reduced traffic in the first quarter, and because of the effect of the strikes in the steel and coal industries in the last quarter. While freight traffic did fall off considerably after the armistice in Nov. 1918, and recovered rather slowly, yet there was a constant and steady increase of such traffic from January on, reaching a maximum in October, the period from May to October being unusually high. The winter months, January, February and March, 1919, were also exceptionally mild and open.

During the steel strike, shipments of steel products were largely maintained from the accumulation of stock. The coal strike was of short duration and did not, upon the whole, seriously affect the earnings of the Eastern carriers. Moreover, the largely increased passenger traffic during the demobilization period, with a decreased train mileage, contributed an unusual measure of net earnings, possibly more than offsetting any adverse effect of fluctuations in freight traffic. The fact is that fluctuations in traffic are the rule and not the exception. A year during which traffic remained steadily at the maximum would not be typical.

However, because of the possible effect of the steel and coal strikes, these carriers have compiled figures for the twelve months ended Oct. 31 1919, based on a questionnaire submitted with detailed instructions to each carrier. The questionnaire and instructions as well as all data upon which the compilation is based, are available. The figures both for the calendar year 1919, and for the constructive year ended Oct. 31 1919, have been adjusted and restated so as to illustrate as nearly as possible the results that might be expected were the business of the calendar year, or of the twelve months to Oct. 31 1919, to be done over again under the conditions affecting revenues and expenses which now exist or will exist in the immediate future. The adjusted figures for the calendar year 1919 are shown on statement (Marked A) attached; and the similar figures for the constructive year (Oct 31 1919) are shown on statement (Marked C) attached.

Taking the adjusted figures for the year ended Dec. 31 1919, the results shown indicate that under the changed conditions the operating ratio resulting from the identical business would be 91.58%. To reduce this to a 75% ratio, with the same volume of business, would require an addition to revenues of some \$544,000,000.

The average ratio of operating expenses to operating revenues of these carriers for the nine years previous to and including 1916, was 70.4%, and it would seem that rates ought now to be so adjusted that the same standard of operating efficiency that obtained during that period would now produce approximately the same operating ratio. It is also noted that the operating ratio during the three year test period averaged 69.5%.

However, to overcome measurably the difference between the increased basis of earnings and the increased basis of costs, and also to adjust the re-



turn upon property investment, which in the "test period" was 5.32%, to a basis of 6% would require for the Class I roads herein referred to, based upon the figures of the year ended Dec. 31 1919 adjusted, additional revenues equal to about \$494,000,000. If revenues were so increased, the net return would be about \$139,000,000 greater than the average for the three years of the test period. Since June 30 1917, the property investment of these carriers has been increased by more than \$1,076,000,000. The annual carrying cost of this investment averages at least 6% or \$64,000,000 in round figures, and there would be left about \$75,000,000 to aid in the re-establishment of credit, as a basis for future financing, and for improvements largely unproductive, and for possible contribution to reserve funds.

The average net railway operating income of the "test period" was adopted by the Congress not as a measure of profits to the carriers while conducting operations at their own risk and bearing the burden of the financing necessary to provide improvements and extensions of facilities, but rather as the measure of a guaranteed rental to be paid by the Government during a period when the Government itself was to assume the risks of operating results and was to provide the new capital necessary for additions, betterments and equipment.

The carriers must now reassume the burdens and risks of operation in a period of uncertain conditions affecting business generally. The demands for additional facilities and extensions were never more pressing than now. The cost of new capital is more than 7% per annum even to those railroad companies whose credit is of the best.

The Government Victory Loan bonds are currently selling on a basis of return in excess of 6%. New industrial issues, with which railroad financing must compete, are offering from 7 1/2% to 8% in addition to liberal commissions for their sale and distribution, and underlying bonds of substantial railroads may be bought on a basis to yield 7% and in some instances in excess of 8%. Further, the European markets, heretofore available for American railroad issues, are now closed and are in fact absorbing our surplus funds, and this applies not only to Europe but to practically the whole world, including Japan and the East.

In 1920 and 1921, from \$200,000,000 to \$250,000,000 per annum of maturing obligations of these carriers, now bearing low rates of interest (some as low as 3 1/2%), must be taken care of, and in such refinancing the railroads must secure funds on the basis of the current cost of capital. Little can be hoped for in the immediate future in the way of lower operating costs. There is nothing in the existing situation to justify the expectation that either wages or material prices will soon be lower, while the public expects, and justly so, a constantly higher standard of service. The carriers will undoubtedly endeavor to increase their operating efficiency, and substantial results may be expected in that direction, but increased efficiency is largely dependent upon increased capital expenditures for improved facilities.

Clearly, unless increased revenues on a liberal basis are measurably assured, these carriers will not be able to meet their maturing obligations or secure additional capital on a basis such as the public interest demands, nor will they be able to render the transportation service necessary for the growing commerce of this country.

The preceding facts and figures indicate strongly that the railroads as a whole in the Eastern District will require as a minimum, an increase in revenue, to be derived from increased rates and charges, of approximately \$550,000,000 per annum, in order that they may be able to furnish adequate service for the public. The additional amount necessary could be obtained by an increase of about 22% if applied to all business, or about 30% if applied to the freight traffic only.

Statement (Marked D) attached, shows the estimated net operating income of all the carriers in the Eastern District in relation to property investment (based on the Questionnaire data for year ended Oct. 31 1919) segregated as to Class I, II and III roads, and switching and terminal companies, which for 144 roads represented, may be summarized as follows:

EASTERN DISTRICT.

Railways of Class I, II and III Roads and Switching and Terminal Companies  
Year ended Oct. 31 1919.

Property investment.....	\$9,368,698,698
6% on property investment.....	\$562,121,921
Net railway operating income year ended Oct. 31 1919— adjusted .....	18,008,219
Difference between adjusted net operating income and 6% on property investment.....	\$544,113,702
Total of all revenue.....	\$2,570,967,815
Per cent on total revenues required to meet deficit under 6% -	21.16%
Total freight revenue.....	\$1,788,033,734
Per cent on freight revenue required to meet deficit under 6%	30.43%

Note.—The foregoing computations make no provision or allowance for the following: a Wage demands which may result in increases in addition to those already effective. b Possible adjustment in contractual relations with the Pullman, Express and other companies. c Claims of short lines and industrial railroads not represented in foregoing figures for increased divisions and allowances. d Possible under-maintenance which may have occasioned an under-statement of expenses for the year 1919.

The estimated aggregate annual net railway operating income is related to the aggregate property investment account in the belief that as an aggregate amount this account is not excessive but more probably the minimum as representing true value, and further because it is the only estimate of aggregate value practically available at this time, just as it was the only estimate of value available to Congress when it prescribed the percentage on aggregate value that should be taken as a fair return for the two years beginning March 1 1920. The Commission will, of course, make use of any other data it may find available.

Assuming as we may and must that the Congress clearly intended to lay down in the Transportation Act of 1920 a definite policy for the guidance of the Commission, the guiding policy so prescribed will undoubtedly control the Commission's acts and decisions in the administration of all the provisions of the Act, which include, viz.: "due consideration, among other things, to the transportation needs of the country and the necessity of enlarging such facilities in order to provide the people of the United States with adequate transportation."

Conclusion.

- (1) Under the provisions of the Transportation Act of 1920, the duty has been imposed upon the Commission of fixing rates and charges so as to yield as nearly as may be, a fixed percentage return upon the aggregate value of the transportation properties devoted to the public use.
- (2) The information necessary to enable the Commission to determine final aggregate value cannot be obtained within any reasonable time.
- (3) Elements and conditions affecting railroad operations and business generally have changed and are still changing so rapidly as to make the results of 1919 alone—even as adjusted—unreliable as a basis upon which to forecast the future.

(4) Under these conditions it cannot be estimated (much less determined) with anything like accuracy, what net railway operating income will be obtained during 1920 and 1921 from any given percentage increase in rates made at this time.

(5) However, a failure to provide, so far as possible, net railway operating income sufficient to enable the carriers to re-establish their credit, would defeat the clear intent of the Act because the carriers under such conditions would not be able to "provide the people of the United States with adequate transportation," and such a course would bring serious consequences to the whole public—including shippers and carriers alike.

(6) It is submitted, therefore, that under the conditions above outlined the only secure course is for the Commission to use all information available, and to resolve all reasonable doubts in favor of the higher rate and charges shown to be necessary, for on that side lies safety.

The request for increased rates has prompted the publication in the daily papers of the following figures, taken from official statements by carriers to the Inter-State Commerce Commission:

Property investment in American railroads.....	\$20,616,573,000
Net income (1919, adjusted to present cost basis).....	219,217,000
Percentage on property investment.....	1.06%
Six per cent on investment under Transportation Act.....	1,236,994,000
Present income deficit under 6%.....	1,017,776,000
Total railroad revenues.....	5,230,981,000
Increase in revenue needed to earn 6%.....	19.4%
Total freight revenues.....	3,653,928,000
Increase in freight revenues needed to earn 6%.....	27.8%
Freight advance needed for Eastern roads.....	30.4%
Freight advance needed for Southern roads.....	30.9%
Freight advance needed for Western roads.....	23.9%

Reference to the petition filed in behalf of the Southern roads and those West of the Mississippi and to the request of the railroad executives for an advance of \$500,000,000 in addition to the \$300,000,000 revolving fund, will be found in the article which follows.

FREIGHT RATE INCREASES SOUGHT IN BEHALF OF SOUTHERN ROADS.

Application for increased revenues of \$120,770,028, or 30.9%, was made to the Inter-State Commerce Commission on May 5 by C. H. Markham, President of the Illinois Central, in behalf of the railroads in Southern Classification Territory. Mr. Markham stated that with a property investment of \$2,283,990,948 and revenues of \$577,635,493 the Southern railroad systems are deriving less than 1% net return, the net annual income basis of the Southern roads having been reduced to \$16,269,429. Declaring that "a grave emergency exists" and that the credit of the carriers should be firmly established so that they may perform their public service, Mr. Markham presented to the Commission an estimate of needed additional revenues of \$120,770,028 to place these roads on the 6% income basis provided in the Transportation Act. This is equal to 20.7% on the total revenues, or 30.9% if applied only to the freight traffic. In an analysis of the earning power of the Southern roads, Mr. Markham stated that, owing to the tremendous increase in the cost of operation, which increase has not been accompanied by a corresponding increase in rates of transportation, these carriers will sustain exceedingly heavy losses unless their rates are substantially advanced. He said:

For the 12 months ending Oct. 31 1919 statistics compiled for 38,900 miles out of a total of 43,000 miles in the South show the following results: Total operating revenues, \$577,635,493; total operating expenses, \$504,212,747, leaving net operating revenue \$73,422,746. After deducting railway tax accruals, uncollectible revenue and adjusting equipment and joint facility rents, the net railway operating income was \$51,208,428.

When the actual results for the 12 months are revised to reflect adjustments in revenue and expenses now in effect, but not in effect throughout the 12 months period, so as to adjust the results of that period to present day conditions, the final result is to reduce the net railway operating income from \$51,208,428 to \$16,269,429.

The property investment for these railways in the Southern group is \$2,283,990,948. The sum of \$137,039,457 is required to pay 6% on this property investment, as contrasted with the net railway operating income of \$16,269,429 for the year ending Oct. 31 1919, after making final adjustments to reflect present conditions. This deficit amounts to \$120,770,028. It is apparent, therefore, that if the needed increase in revenue is to be derived from increases in freight rates and charges, then the same (both inter-State and intra-State) must be advanced 30.9% to produce the sum of \$120,770,028.

In order to avoid disturbance in the distribution of traffic, the Southern carriers recommend giving special treatment to carload commodity rates on coal and coke, cement, stone and other low-grade mineral products. Increases proposed on coal and coke vary from 30 to 90 cents a ton, on cement from 50 cents to \$1 40 a ton, on building lime from 35 cents to \$1 a ton, and sand, gravel, stone, &c., from 25 to 50 cents a ton. It is proposed to advance all other rates 31%.

FREIGHT RATE INCREASES SOUGHT IN BEHALF OF WESTERN ROADS.

The request for increased freight rates in behalf of the railroads west of the Mississippi River was formally made to the Inter-State Commerce Commission by Samuel M. Felton, of Chicago, as Chairman of the Western Executives



Rate Committee on May 6. Freight rate advances of 23.9% to yield additional revenue of \$352,893,000 annually are asked for by these roads to bring the net income up to 6% on a property investment of \$8,963,883,000. Mr. Felton states that the net income of the Western carriers fell from \$460,181,000 in 1916 to \$261,456,000 in 1919 and that a recasting of the 1919 account to the present cost of labor, coal and materials reduces the current income basis to \$186,027,000. To raise this income to 6% on the property investment will require, the Western roads estimate, an addition of 17% to their revenues. They proposed to the Commerce Commission that no advance shall be made in passenger fares and that the needed revenue be obtained by advancing freight rates 23.9%. Long standing differentials and rate relationships, Mr. Felton explained, should be carefully observed in readjusting the tariffs. In his statement to the Commission Mr. Felton also said:

Railroad facilities are not commensurate to present demands. There is congestion at many points. Lumber and grain movements from the Northwest are choked back because of insufficiency of available equipment, and the same is true of fruit shipments from the West, grain from the Middle West, and coal and coke, ore, vegetables, automobiles manufactured articles and merchandise in other sections. There is a continually increasing demand on the part of the traveling public for more passenger equipment, more frequent train service and better accommodations.

All this calls for more and better equipment. The needs of the railways of the entire country at the end of Federal control have been estimated by a committee of the railway executives as follows:

100,000 freight cars.....	\$370,000,000
2,000 locomotives.....	130,000,000
3,000 passenger cars.....	90,000,000
1,000 baggage cars.....	20,000,000

Total .....\$610,000,000

This makes no provision for normal replacements and additions in 1920 and thereafter. Some portion of this \$610,000,000 can probably be raised by loan from the fund of \$300,000,000 provided for the purpose in the Transportation Act, but the bulk of it must be raised by the railways on the basis of their own credit. Large amounts must also be expended for other additions and betterments.

Particularly is there a great public and national need for the building of railroads into the undeveloped and unoccupied areas in the great country west of the Mississippi river, so that there may be a greater production of food of all kinds, of lumber and other building materials, and of other natural resources. To finance the capital needs of the railroads at a time of worldwide credit uncertainty, Mr. Felton said, will be a task of great difficulty even with an advance of their income basis to 6%. He estimates that this year and next, in addition to the necessity of raising large amounts of new capital, the Western carriers must refund about \$430,000,000 of maturing obligations now bearing low rates of interest, some as low as 4%.

#### RAILWAY EXECUTIVES ASK GOVERNMENT FOR LOAN OF \$500,000,000 ACCOUNT OF EQUIPMENT—VIEWS OF BANKERS.

Besides the freight rate increases sought by the railroads of the country, and to which we refer elsewhere to-day, the needs of the railroads, so far as car equipment is concerned, were presented to the Senate Committee on Interstate Commerce by members of the Association of Railway Executives on May 6. In addition to the revolving fund of \$300,000,000 provided for in the Cummins-Esch Transportation Act, the executives have asked for an advance of \$500,000,000. The Railway executives appeared before the committee upon the invitation of Senator Cummins, its Chairman. Announcement that the conference had been arranged was made following the departure of the officials for Washington on the 5th inst. According to the New York "Times" of yesterday, Senator Cummins informed the executives that livestock and other food producers of the Middle West had told the Senate Committee that shortage of cars and motive equipment was making it impossible to move perishable and semi-perishable food to market, and that as a result a curtailment of production was in sight. Edward N. Brown, Chairman of the Board of the Pere Marquette and the St. Louis-San Francisco railroads, advised the committee that the present shortage amounted to 226,000 freight cars, 9,500 passenger cars and 3,190 locomotives, and to meet this he said would require an outlay of \$1,600,000,000. As to his further testimony the New York "Commercial" of yesterday (May 7) said:

The Senate committee was informed that since the first of the year the railroads have placed orders for 27,778 freight cars and 518 locomotives. To finance these purchases, Mr. Brown said, approximately \$144,000,000 in equipment trust obligations had been issued. He said bankers had informed the committee that the market could not be expected to absorb much more than an additional \$100,000,000 of such securities. The income taxes, he said, had taken up the money which investors usually put in such securities, according to the bankers.

He is also reported as saying that the carriers had paid as high as 7 $\frac{3}{4}$ % interest on equipment funds in the open market. If, he said, Congress would authorize the immediate use of \$125,000,000 from the \$300,000,000 revolving fund for the roads provided for under the Transportation Act, a loan of \$500,000,000 additional would meet the require-

ments. From the "Commercial" of yesterday we again quote as follows:

Members of the Senate committee saw difficulties in the way of making an additional appropriation of \$500,000,000. Senator Kellogg, of Minnesota, inquired where the money was to come from in the face of an estimated deficit in the Government Treasury of from one to two billion dollars. Senator Cummins expressed the hope that the railroads could obtain the needed money from private investors. If that was not possible, he said, a plan might be worked out of the Government to underwrite car equipment trust certificates to mature at the end of ten or fifteen years. Mr. Brown believed that would be one way of meeting the situation, urging that if such a plan were undertaken that the certificates run for fifteen years.

Samuel Rea, President of the Pennsylvania R. R. and as to his statement before the committee the "Commercial" said:

President Rea of the Pennsylvania system said he believed that at least \$175,000,000 of the revolving fund should be made available immediately for part payment on car and locomotive orders. Both Mr. Rea and A. H. Smith of the New York Central said the railroads would find it very difficult to get further loans from private sources. Mr. Smith declared that the Government should tide the roads over until after settlement of the rate question made possible a re-establishment of the credit of the railroads.

The Railway executives criticized the restrictions that had been placed around the use of the \$300,000,000, declaring that in their opinion the law would have to be amended on that point. One objection was that loans from the revolving fund must be paid in five years.

The views of bankers as to the question of floating securities for the equipment needs of the roads were heard by the Senate Committee yesterday, the New York "Evening Post" of last night reporting as follows what Jerome J. Hanauer of Kuhn, Loeb & Co. and Frederick W. Allen of Lee, Higginson & Co. had to say.

Mr. Hanauer's suggestions were that terminal facilities be improved, loading regulations revised to expedite loading and unloading, motive power be improved, and the maximum use obtained from present facilities—all to the end that transportation for the immediate future be speeded up, because there was little chance of obtaining new equipment this summer even if the money could be raised with which to buy equipment.

Mr. Allen echoed these suggestions, saying that the Interstate Commerce Commission might use its powers to facilitate transportation movement.

Both bankers agreed that the provision of law requiring repayment of \$300,000,000 loaning fund within five years should be extended to fifteen years, because the roads could not undertake repayment within the shorter period.

Mr. Hanauer told the committee that the small investor, formerly the least important among the investing classes, was to-day almost the sold buyer of securities. The small investor, he said, was hard to reach, increasing the expense of distributing securities. He demanded a large return—7% or more, and was mercurial when his purchases became depressed in price.

Mr. Allen said that nowadays eight or ten buying units took up the securities that formerly were taken by one buying unit. The income tax prevented the recipients of large incomes from buying, especially more taxable securities. He added that a 7% return in this day of the "50-cent dollar was not what it used to be.

The hearing to-day was included in a series in which shippers have been heard as to their inability to get cars to market their commodities and railroad executives as to their inability to buy equipment and the necessity for a Government guaranty for an issue of fifteen-year equipment trust certificates to pay for new rolling stock. The bankers to-day rather deprecated the suggestion of a Government guarantee, saying that it would be impossible for the roads to issue other securities.

As to other bankers heard by the Committee yesterday, we quote the following from "Financial America":

A. M. Anderson, of J. P. Morgan & Co., estimated that the investment market for the current year could absorb from \$100,000,000 to \$125,000,000 in the securities of the stronger roads. He said there was absolutely no prospect of being able to market the securities of the weaker railroads.

"I believe that if the Government will take care of the weaker roads," he said, "we will take care of the stronger ones. I have not devised a way in which the Government can finance these weak roads, but I believe the current investment market will yield from \$100,000,000 to \$125,000,000 for the stronger railroads."

E. P. Sweezy, of the First National Bank of New York, made a proposition very similar to that of Mr. Anderson.

"We can provide the stronger roads with the needed credit," he said, "if the Government will do the same thing for the weaker ones. The bankers of the country appreciate the gravity of the transportation problem, and will to a certain extent sidetrack other demands upon them to take care of the railroads."

The bankers of the United States will be unable to market \$300,000,000 worth of railroad securities this year, Charles E. Mitchell, President of the National City Co., told the Inter-State Commerce Committee of the Senate to-day.

He opposed any new issue of Government bonds that would increase "taxation that is already strangling." He was inclined to think that the continuation of the Government revolving fund for a period of fifteen years would be helpful to the railroads in re-establishing their credit.

"The top of the credit structure has about been reached," declared Mr. Mitchell. "We cannot pile many more securities on it."

He added that the main reservoir now left to the investment market was that of the small investor. The large individual investor was held back by excessive Government taxation, and the institutional investor was no longer in the market, he said.

"Railroad credit has not been materially impaired in relation to other types of credit," declared Mr. Mitchell.

He stated, however, that all had been impaired because of the extreme competition for money and the inflation that has resulted from the war.

The same paper also reports that S. Davies Warfield, of Baltimore, Chairman of the Association of Railroad Investors, declared yesterday that the railroads of the nation were not far from Government ownership, unless a radical improvement in their condition were forthcoming. It also records him as saying:

"The railroads owe so much money to the Government now, and are going to owe so much more in the future, that Government ownership seems



almost inevitable, unless some steps are taken to restore their credit," declared Mr. Warfield.

Mr. Warfield opposed the proposition that the railroad revolving fund should be devoted exclusively to the purchase of new equipment. He declared that a good portion of it must be used for the refunding of certain obligations falling due.

"Before the railroads can restore their credit, before they can hope for money from the bankers," added Mr. Warfield, "they must have an opportunity to earn that fixed rate of return which is guaranteed to them in the Cummins-Esch Act."

#### PRESIDENT CARRANZA OF MEXICO APPEALS FOR SUPPORT OF PEOPLE TO QUELL REVOLT.

The secession of several States from the Republic of Mexico following the rebellion in Sonora early in April led to the issuance of a manifesto on May 5 by President Carranza appealing to the Mexican people "to furnish new troops to aid the legally constituted Government" and to "support the principles of democracy for which we have fought during ten years . . ." Two days later it was reported that President Carranza and his Cabinet had left Mexico City for Vera Cruz where temporary headquarters would be established. The President in his manifesto on May 5 announced, according to the Associated Press, that he would "fight to a finish to put down the rebellion, and that he would not turn over the Presidency to any one except a legally elected successor. He enunciated the principle of the elimination of the coup d'etat from Mexican politics, asserting that the Presidency must not be a prize for military leaders."

In the manifesto President Carranza declared it would be impossible to hold the Presidential elections, which had been set for July 4. Also he traced the events in Mexico which he charged represented a plot by the followers of General Obregon to gain the Presidency through means of violence.

The manifesto said to contain 6,000 words, was quoted as follows, in advices from Mexico City to the N. Y. "Times":

The delicate situation, both military and political, through which the country is passing demands a frank and precise explanation of its causes and of the motives underlying the Executive's determination to meet the emergency.

In thus addressing you, my fellow citizens, I do so in the character of President of the republic, which position obliges me to guarantee the enforcement of law and order.

I also speak in my character of chief of the Constitutional Party, which brought the former revolution to a successful conclusion and invested me with the responsibility of maintaining the principles for which we have fought during ten years.

As I make known to the nation with entire frankness that, independently of the constitutional measures at my command, I shall invoke all other measures which public convenience and patriotism may advise, in order that the Government of the country may not fall into the hands of any of the present military leaders, who would continue to cause bloodshed by disputes among themselves.

I declare positively that I will not deliver the power conferred upon me until the revolutionists have been defeated, and then only to whomever shall be legally designated to succeed me.

As President I call upon all officials and all classes for support; upon all soldiers in the armies, of revolt whom when they learn the true situation in the country and the goal to which their ambitious chiefs would lead them, will be given an opportunity to rectify their attitude and return to the aid of the legal Government.

I call also upon the army which has remained loyal, that, in view of the situation which I have described, the soldiers shall refuse to listen to the promises of those who wish them to rebel.

Finally, I appeal to the Mexican people to furnish new troops to aid the legally constituted Government, support the principles of democracy for which we have fought during ten years, and prevent a repetition of the Huerta-Felix-Madero situation.

Let the people determine that those two yesterday pretended to be their defenders shall not be permitted, with the aid of firearms, to dictate their new leaders.

Dispatches reaching Washington on May 1 through official channels said that President Carranza had been recently advised by his Generals at a conference to resign in favor of a President ad interim, whom he or Congress should appoint. On April 23 Secretary of the Navy Daniels ordered three American warships to Mexican waters in response to requests from American citizens made through the State Department for the protection of interests and their property during the unsettled conditions.

The revolutionary movement in Mexico began with the secession of the Sonora on April 10. The following day the customs houses and all property of the Federal government of Mexico at Nogales were formerly siezed in the name of the "Republic of Sonora". The movement spread rapidly Five more States, it became known on April 22, had joined the uprising. Defections subsequently were reported among the Federal troops. It was announced on April 16 that the Mexican Government had asked permission from the United States to move troops through American territory so as to attack the State of Sonora from the north. This request, as far as is known, was not acted upon.

On April 23 a proclamation was issued by the leading revolutionists of Sonora with the title of "The plan of Agua

Prieta," setting forth the claims of the revolution in full. The document was summarized by the Associated Press as follows:

The proclamation sets up a new provisional government in Mexico, with Governor de la Huerta as supreme commander. De la Huerta is to act until governors of states joining the Sonora cause meet and nominate a supreme commander of their own choice.

A Provisional President for Mexico is to be appointed "as soon as the present plan has been accepted by the Liberal Constitutionalist Army."

The revolutionary soldiers are to be known as the "Liberal Constitutionalist" army. The Liberal Constitutionalist Party was the one espousing the cause of General Alvaro Obregon for the Presidency of Mexico.

Chief interest to foreigners is found in the last article of the plan, which said:

"Supreme Commander of the Liberal Constitutionalist Army, and all civil and military authorities who support this movement, will afford all legal protection and enforcement of their legal rights to all citizens and foreigners, and especially favor the development of all industries, commerce and business in general."

"The plan of Agua Prieta" declares for effective suffrage and no re-election. In addition to repudiating Carranza, it calls for "repudiation of the public officials whose respective appointments originated in the last local elections held in the States of San Luis Potosi, Guanajuato, Queretaro, Nuevo Leon and Tamaulipas." and of "those Councilmen of the City of Mexico who were declared elected in the last city elections." It requires recognition of Jose Santos Godinez as the constitutional Governor of the State of Nayarit.

General Salvador Alvarado, former Governor of Yucatan, who came to Washington from Sonora following the rebellion in that State, as the representative of General Obregon and of the Progressive Party in Mexico, announced on April 20 that General Obregon was the leader of the new revolutionary movement in Mexico. General Alvarado also issued a statement in which he outlined the policies of the Progressive Party, asserted that Sonora was forced to take a defensive position by the action of the Carranza Government, and that prior to the present revolution that State had made all possible peaceful efforts to avoid invasion by the Carranza troops.

The statement was quoted and referred to in Washington advices of April 20 to the New York "Times" as follows:

The formal statement which General Alvarado issued to-night, outlining the policies of those behind the movement against Carranza, says the Progressive Party of Mexico from 1913 had supported Carranza in the hope of establishing "a strong and respectable Government" and carrying out necessary reforms.

"But Carranza," the statement goes on, "instead of using this power to carry out such reforms, and to solve all the problems that were in the way of the free development of the economic and social forces of Mexico, has employed all the resources of the nation to prepare his plans to continue in power. For such purposes he has employed the army, the national funds, the railroads, the telegraphs, the mails and the whole administration machine to impose by force State Government and destroy the progressive and honest elements with but one object—to continue in power against the mandate of our national constitution, which prohibits re-election.

He has imposed, by means of corruption and force, the governments of the States of San Luis Potosi, Guanajuato, Queretaro, Campecha, Nueva Leon, Tamaulipas, Coahuila, Jalisco, Vera Cruz and other States, and in those States in which he could not carry out his plans of placing favorites, such as happened in Yucatan, Tabasco, Nayarit, Zacatecas, Michoacan, Hidalgo and Sonora, he has not ceased to promote economic and military difficulties to destroy, by force, their respective independent governments, which he considers an obstacle for the realization of the criminal plans he has been trying to make effective."

Speaking of the action of the State of Sonora in severing relations with Mexico City, the statement says:

"This measure was solely defensive and in no case and under no circumstances was intended to separate the State from the Mexican Republic, nor will intervention be asked or accepted from any foreign Government for the settlement of what are purely domestic troubles, not prejudicial in any way to foreign interests.

"The Progressive Party intends to carry out in Mexico the political and administrative reforms so necessary to solve the existing economic and social problems. These reforms consist in the organization of an administration upon a scientific basis of efficiency and economic order, to be able to develop agriculture, commerce and industry, to exploit the enormous natural resources of the country, as well as with a view to creating the economic well-being and educational facilities for the betterment of the condition of the people. This party is composed largely of young men, energetic and educated, who desire to organize the Government upon a basis of absolute morality and perfect harmony with the economic interests of the countries, especially with the United States, for reasons of neighborhood."

The statement declares that the nomination of Bonillas was brought about by a small group of Government employees and is a manoeuvre "to distract the attention of the country." "General Obregon," the statement adds, "has had no other alternative in saving his life and the lives of his friends, than to oppose force by force; but he has not ambition to gain power by means of force, and none of his partisans have rebelled against Carranza with that end in view. What is wanted is free elections only, and it matters not who is elected as a result."

#### BILL SIGNED BY PRESIDENT WILSON TO PERMIT IMPORTATION OF PRINT PAPER DUTY FREE—THE PAPER SHORTAGE.

The first piece of legislation having for its purpose the relief of the country-wide paper shortage that has existed for some time was signed by President Wilson on April 24. The bill, which originated in the House of Representatives, amends the Revenue Act of 1916, so as to allow print paper to come into the United States free for two years up to the value of 8 cents a pound. Five cents was formerly the maximum. The bill was passed by the House on March 30 and the Senate on April 17. On the latter date, Senator Smoot,



discussing the purposes of the measure in the Senate, pointed out that the value of print paper in foreign countries exceeds now 5 cents per pound, and with this amendment increasing the amount to 8 cents a pound print paper from some countries, we hope, will come into the United States free, as the law provides now for paper below 5 cents a pound."

The shortage of print paper has become very acute during the past few months, with the result that many of the daily papers and periodicals published in the large cities have been forced to cut down in size, while some, also have advanced their prices. Several bills designed to relieve the shortage in various ways have been offered in Congress. The Foreign Affairs Committee of the House is now considering a resolution, passed by the Senate the latter part of February, providing for the appointment of a commission to negotiate with the Government of Canada for removal of restrictions on exportation of Canadian pulp wood. At the same time an investigation of the print paper situation is being conducted by a Senate Commerce sub-committee headed by Senator Reed of Missouri.

The paper shortage has been felt by the Government Printing Office as well as by private publishers; and temporary suspension of the Congressional Record was reported to be imminent on April 26 by reason of the fact that the Government supply of paper might not last out till the new deliveries were made. The paper on which the Record is published was said to have advanced from 3 cents to 1 cent a pound.

Testifying before the Senate investigating committee on April 28, George McAneny, executive manager of the N. Y. "Times" stated that the market price for newsprint paper was twice or three times as much as that for paper bought under contract. Other publishers also expressed their views to the Senate sub-committee on the same date. With regard to the hearings on April 28, Washington press dispatches had the following to say:

Doubt that the Government will be able to accomplish a great deal in relieving the print paper shortage was expressed to-day by Frank P. Glass of Birmingham, Ala., former President of the American Publishers' Association, and one of the first witnesses before the Senate Commerce sub-committee which is investigating the print paper question. He explained that the shortage of newsprint was world-wide.

Questioned as to the advisability of Congress attempting to reduce consumption by limiting the size of publications admitted to the mail, Mr. Glass said he doubted the "justice and feasibility" of such an undertaking.

While conceding that the cost of labor and all materials going into the making of paper has increased, Mr. Glass declared he thought present prices excessive and that the manufacturers were "making high profits."

Answering Senator McNary, Republican, of Oregon, Mr. Glass said there was "no temptation" for manufacturers to divide territory for sale of their product because of the great demand for paper. He also said he did not believe the excess profits tax was to blame for the increased volume of advertising.

George McAneny of the New York "Times" agreed with Mr. Glass that the increased advertising "was a coincidence" to the application of the excess profits tax. He said the demand for advertising was due to a post-war desire of business men to stimulate business.

"The shortage of paper," said Mr. McAneny, "is due to the abnormal demand for advertising. There is actually more newsprint this year than last. The Federal Trade Commission reports indicate an increased production of 10%, and the indicated consumption of the "Times" for this year is about 7% greater than that of last year."

New York newspapers, Mr. McAneny said, had been lending paper to each other for months. "The "Times,"" he said, "would not have been published last Sunday but for a loan from the "Globe."

In opening the hearing Senator Reed, Chairman of the committee, announced that the investigation would deal with the production and consumption of newsprint, manufacturing costs, selling prices, increased volume of advertising and enlarged newspaper circulation.

Samuel M. Williams of the "New York World," said the "World's" ownership of paper mills placed it in a "different position" from newspapers generally, and that accordingly he had "no suggestions or complaints to make." He said that while Canadian mills were being enlarged and some American mills had increased their production, present consumption exceeded this increase.

That the shortage of newsprint is "critical" and many publications have suspended was affirmed by Mr. Williams, who added that "for the benefit smaller papers," the World was selling the entire product of one of its of the mills.

Both Mr. McAneny and Mr. Glass said the suspension of newspapers, including weekly publications, last year were "little above normal," and were "not significant." The total suspensions were 1,200, with 600 new publications being started.

Economies practiced by New York newspapers, Mr. McAneny asserted, have resulted in saving paper, and he contended that "the big papers are not the offenders" in wasting paper. "The Times," he added, used only a few tons more paper last month than in the same period last year.

Opposing postal rates graduated to the size of publications, suggested by Senator Reed, Mr. McAneny said "a liberal allowance for one paper would be starvation for another."

The only remedies suggested by Mr. McAneny were economy by publishers, and increased production, for he said he could "not see anything the Government can do" to relieve the shortage.

Government regulation of the distribution of paper, suggested by Senator Walsh, Democrat of Massachusetts, would be of "doubtful wisdom," Mr. McAneny said, explaining that only one-fourth of the newspapers cooperated with the War Industries Board in such a movement during the war.

"Are you not making more money than ever before?" asked Senator Reed.

"I'm not familiar with the financial side of the paper," answered Mr. McAneny, "but in February our profit was less than that of the same month a year ago."

"Absurdly" high prices for newsprint paper bought on the spot market were due to a "corner" resulting naturally from the present shortage, Mr. McAneny declared. The market price was twice or three times as much as that for paper bought under contracts, he said.

Brokers and small manufacturers were blamed by Mr. McAneny for the high prices. Answering a question by Senator Reed as to whether there was profiteering, he replied. "They are selling the paper."

Frank P. Glass described spot market prices as "excessive" and, without distinguishing big and little manufacturers, added that the paper makers were making "big profits."

Charles Lane of the New York Evening Post suggested the best remedy for the spot market condition was for publishers to stop competitive bidding.

Price fixing, Government control of distribution and limitation on the size of publications by a postal ban were opposed by the metropolitan publishers. Arthur W. Dunn, representing the American Press Association, which serves several small dailies, declared, however, the smaller publishers favored Government control of distribution, but he did not know whether legislation to that end would be constitutional.

The complaint of the small publishers expressed by Mr. Dunn was that they were compelled to pay the high prices while the big publishers, able to buy in large quantities, bought cheaper under contracts.

"Is some one profiteering?" asked Senator Reed. "Yes, somebody is making a good big profit out of it," answered Mr. Dunn, adding, however, that he was unable to give any evidence of combinations or price-fixing agreements.

A Government board or commission to take all newsprint paper and allocate it among publishers was proposed as a means to cope with the paper shortage by Senator Reed during the hearings of the Senate sub-committee on April 29. Five and ten-cent daily newspapers were predicted by Frank A. Munsey, New York publisher, who appeared before the Senate sub-committee on May 1. He urged drastic reduction in the use of newsprint and Governmental regulation both of the paper and the wood pulp sources. William Randolph Hearst, another New York publisher, in a letter to the committee, advocated a 20 or 25% cut in the size of newspapers, but said he believed the time for Governmental regulation had passed. Mr. Hearst urged that publishers double both advertising and circulation rates, saying such action would automatically cut down the size and number of copies without reducing revenue. "The blame is entirely with the newspaper publishers, who are consuming paper as a rule quite recklessly and without good business judgment," wrote Mr. Hearst.

A statement was issued on April 7 by Secretary of Commerce Alexander urging the utilization of all waste paper. Mr. Alexander, in his statement said:

Following my appeal of last week to save waste and turn it back into the channels of trade, I wish to call attention to the importance of saving all waste paper.

Attention has been called quite a number of times lately to the vital shortage in paper and if the general public could realize how a shortage of paper affects its daily life I feel sure that a saving and utilization of all waste paper would be made.

Many of the better grades of waste paper are used as pure substitutes for ground wood pulp and are used in making all kinds of book, bond, ledger and writing papers. If this kind of waste was not used to some extent, there would exist an even greater shortage of wood pulp from which most of our printing papers and newsprint paper is made. The waste paper used in the above list consists of old magazines, periodicals, books and all kinds of printed matter in general. Every pound of this waste that is saved and marketed prevents the use of original wood pulp made direct from our trees.

The largest tonnage of waste paper is called "common mixed," and consists of any and every sort and scrap of paper, such as newspaper, waste from the offices, stores, public buildings and the homes. The chief use of this kind of waste is for paper boxes, roofing and building boards, paper shipping containers (which carry up to 100 lbs. of freight or express) and wrapping paper. More than 2,000,000 tons of ordinary waste paper are used for boxes and shipping containers alone. The public is so accustomed to having its goods in paper boxes that it would be dumfounded to find their use seriously curtailed and this is what will happen if we do not look more toward the utilization of waste. The use of waste papers for this purpose prevents the consumption of over 1,000,000,000 ft. of lumber annually and is increasing daily. The utilization of waste must keep pace with this to prevent a direct use of our trees for the wood pulp. At the present time there is very little original wood pulp used for paperboard boxes.

In addition to the saving of trees in the making of paperboard, there is another very great saving of lumber through the use of paper "shipping cases" which are used instead of wood boxes. Reports show that it would require more than half a billion feet of lumber annually to replace the "paper" shipping cases, now used by almost every manufacturer in the United States.

In most towns and cities there are dealers in waste paper and other salvageable material such as rags, rubber, metals, &c., who will pay a fair price for what otherwise would be thrown away or burned.

The Department of Commerce still has on hand a limited number of two publications on waste reclamation which it will be glad to send to interested persons. These publications will show what one large city has done to develop a city-wide system of waste reclamation for the home, store and factory, and the other will give some pointers on how to organize and operate the service.

#### INTERNATIONAL PAPER COMPANY FORECASTS FURTHER ADVANCE IN PRICE OF NEWSPRINT JULY 1—SECRETARY MEREDITH SEES RELIEF IN ALASKA FORESTS.

Increases in the price of newsprint paper will be made by the International Paper Company, the largest producer in the country, on July 1. Higher selling prices will, according to Chester W. Lyman, vice-president of the company, be necessitated by "alarming rise in prices for pulp wood,



other raw materials and mill supplies, together with inevitable increase in transportation charges." The following telegram addressed to Joseph Pulitzer, Jr., publisher of the St. Louis Post-Dispatch, by Mr. Lyman was presented to the Senate sub-committee investigating the paper shortage, on May 5:

Alarming rise in prices for pulp wood, other raw materials and mill supplies, together with inevitable increase in transportation charges, will necessitate a higher selling price for last two quarters. Impossible to foretell extent of increase on account of uncertainty of conditions. Increase in cost likely to continue to turning point reached in general industrial, social and financial conditions.

Only remedy for present trouble is rigid economy by publishers in their use of news print. It would be the height of folly for Government to attempt to regulate or lower spot market, onerous as it may appear, as it would result in diversion of many specialty mills now making news print to their normal product. This addition to present newsprint supply, stimulated by the high prices of the spot market, is estimated at about 150,000 tons a year.

High spot market prices largely warranted by scarcity of raw material and corresponding high prices. In most cases believe the profits are not inordinate. Small publishers must be helped out by larger consumers protected by contracts.

In presenting the above telegram, Charles G. Ross, Washington correspondent of the Post-Dispatch, said that paper was "strongly opposed to Government control of the paper industry in any form whatsoever on the ground that it would in effect be Government control of the press." "We do not believe," he said, "that Government regulation of the size of newspapers is a sound solution of the difficulty, but believe the solution should be left to the publishers and that the law of supply and demand will in the long run correct the present high prices."

In the opinion of Secretary Meredith of the Department of Agriculture the forests of Alaska offer a way out of the paper shortage. Mr. Meredith's views on the subject were presented in Washington press dispatches of May 5 as follows:

He believes that the development of the forest and hydroelectric resource of Alaska is a practicable means of increasing the supply of newsprint available for the United States. Recognizing in the paper situation an opportunity for the economic upbuilding of the territory, he is offering cooperation in the establishment of paper mills by making available national forest pulpwood on terms that will provide a satisfactory operating basis.

The national forests of Alaska probably contain 100,000,000 cords of timber suitable for the manufacture of newsprint and other grades of paper. Under careful management it is believed that these forests can produce annually 2,000,000 cords of pulpwood for all time, or enough to manufacture one-third of the pulp products now consumed in the United States.

Furthermore, according to Secretary Meredith, these forests contain the second chief essential of a paper manufacturing industry—water power. He believes that the drawbacks which have hitherto prevented paper making in Alaska have been the large investments required for new plants, inaccessibility and lack of development in Alaska and big transportation charges. He believes, however, that these obstacles are more than offset by the present acute demand and the high prices for all grades of paper.

The department is preparing to contract sufficient stumpage to supply paper mills for thirty years. The timber will be paid for from month to month as it is cut, obviating the necessity for large investments in raw materials.

"Alaska" declares Secretary Meredith, "is destined to become a second Norway. With her enormous forests of rapidly growing species suitable for pulp, her water power and her tide water shipment of manufactured products, Alaska will undoubtedly become one of the principal paper sources of the United States. A substantial development of the paper industry in this wonderful region, combined with the intelligent reforestation of pulp lands in the older regions, should settle forever the question of a paper shortage in the United States."

#### ITEMS ABOUT BANKS, TRUST COMPANIES, & C.

The public sales of bank stock this week were limited to six shares, which were sold at the Stock Exchange. There were no transactions in trust company stock. Extensive tables reporting bid and asked quotations, deposits, surplus, &c., of banks and trust companies in all important cities in the United States are published monthly in the "Bank and Quotation" Section, the May issue of which accompanies to-day's "Chronicle." Bid and asked quotations for all New York City bank and trust company stocks are also published weekly in another department of this paper, and will be found to-day on page 1964.

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Two New York Stock Exchange memberships were reported posted for transfer this week, the consideration being stated as \$91,000 and \$90,000, respectively.

At a meeting on May 6, Kenneth F. Wood was elected a director of the Chase National Bank of this city to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Frank A. Sayles. Mr. Wood is Vice-President of the Sayles Finishing Plants at Saylesville, R. I., and a trustee of the Sayles Estate.

The New York and Philadelphia banking house of Edward B. Smith & Co. announce the removal of their New York

offices from 30 Pine St. to the third floor of the City Investing Building, No. 165 Broadway.

At the annual meeting of the stockholders of the Liberty Securities Corporation all the directors were re-elected and Harrall S. Tenney, Vice-President of the corporation, was elected to the board.

A special meeting of the stockholders of the Lincoln Trust Co. of this city, Alexander Webb, President, has been called by the board to meet on the 17th inst. to consider a proposal to increase capital from \$1,000,000 to \$2,000,000, the new stock to be issued at par to present stockholders. When this is effected the company's capitalization will be \$2,000,000 stock and \$1,000,000 surplus and undivided profits. Deposits are now about \$30,000,000, an increase of \$10,000,000 in business during the past year. The institution opened its Wall Street office a year ago in June, and this has been a great aid in business expansion.

The directors of the National Park Bank of this city at their meeting May 4 elected seven Assistant Vice-Presidents and one Assistant Cashier. The title of Assistant Vice-President is a new one in the official roster of the institution. All the men elected to this office have been junior officers of the bank, and their advancement will provide larger opportunity to properly care for the requirements of the bank's growing clientele. The following were elected Assistant Vice-Presidents: Frederick O. Foxcroft, William A. Main, J. Edwin Provine, Ralph L. Cerero, Jay D. Rising, H. E. Scheuermann and Percy J. Ebbott. Walter S. Jelliffe was elected Assistant Cashier.

In outlining the experience of the foregoing the bank says in part:

Mr. Foxcroft was one of the first Assistant Cashiers appointed by the directors of the National Park Bank. He has given the institution forty-one years of continuous and loyal service. Mr. Main was elected Assistant Cashier of the bank in 1903, and during approximately half a century has rendered continuous and efficient service to the institution. Mr. Provine assisted in the inauguration of the credit department of the National Park Bank. Prior to being appointed Assistant Cashier in 1915 he was known as Manager of the credit department. Mr. Cerero came to the National Park Bank in 1919 as Trust Officer. He was for approximately fourteen years Assistant Trust Officer of the Knickerbocker Trust Co., two years New York resident partner of W. Irving Osborne & Co. of Chicago, for six years Assistant Secretary and Trust Officer of the United States Trust & Mortgage Co. Mr. Rising in 1910 was elected Assistant Secretary of the Commerce Trust Co. of Kansas City, and in 1914 Chief National Bank Examiner of the Tenth Federal Reserve District. In 1917 he became Vice-President of the Live Stock National Bank of Omaha, Neb., leaving that institution in January 1919 to accept a position as Assistant Cashier of the National Park Bank. Prior to coming with the National Park Bank in 1912, Mr. Scheuermann was for several years identified with credit work at the Liberty National Bank. He left that institution to go with the National Park Bank in a similar line of activity and was elected Assistant Cashier in 1919. Mr. Ebbott became identified with the National Park Bank in 1913; was elected an Assistant Cashier in 1917; served eighteen months in the United States Army, returning to his duties in January 1919. Mr. Jelliffe came to the National Park Bank in 1918. He has represented the bank at group meetings and bankers' conventions throughout the South.

The Park National Bank of this city has published a brochure of reprints of their recent advertisements inserted in New York newspapers, financial and trade journals during the past few months. The style and character of these original and striking advertisements are largely the work of the E. B. Wilson, Inc., advertising agency of this city. The facsimiles have been reproduced by the bank with the thought that possibly other institutions would care to adopt some of the material for their own use.

William P. Boggs celebrated his fiftieth anniversary as an employee of the Mechanics & Metals National Bank of the City of New York on May 1. In commemoration of the event he was presented on behalf of the bank with a silver plate by Gates W. McGarrah, President of the institution, who made a short speech of presentation. Mr. Boggs entered the employ of the Fourth National Bank, since absorbed by the Mechanics & Metals National, on May 1 1870, at the age of sixteen, and started on the check desk, which was the customary way of starting boys at the time.

The first woman to be appointed to the official staff of the Guaranty Trust Company of New York is Miss Clara F. Porter, a member of the bond department's city sales force. At a meeting of the executive committee of the Board of Directors on Thursday, April 29, Miss Porter was appointed an Assistant Secretary of the company at its Fifth Avenue office. She is one of a very small number of women to whom positions on their official staffs have been awarded by New



York City banks. The company furnishes the following sketch of her career.

Miss Porter was graduated from Smith College in 1906 and after some experience as a private school teacher in Montclair, N. J., entered the employ of the New York Edison Company as a letter-writer. In 1912 she became the editor of a magazine published in the interests of a number of public service corporations. In September, 1917, she relinquished her editorial work to join the bond department of the Guaranty. For a year and a half she was in the correspondence bureau, but on Jan. 1 1919 became a member of the New York City sales force. She has been highly successful as a saleswoman, and has spoken and written a great deal of the opportunities which the immediate future holds for women in financial enterprises. Miss Porter is a member of the Women's University Club, and was the first President of the Business and Professional Women's League of New York.

Bentley D. Norman has been appointed an assistant secretary at the Brussels office of the Guaranty Trust Company of New York.

H. S. Tenney, formerly President of the Greenwich Trust Company, has been elected Vice-President of the Liberty Securities Corporation.

The consolidation of the National Commercial Bank of Albany and the Union National Bank & Trust Company of Albany, under the charter of the National Commercial Bank and under the corporate title of The National Commercial Bank & Trust Company, Albany, has been effected. As we have already indicated (in the "Chronicle" of Jan. 3 and April 17) the Union National Bank & Trust Co. was formed in January, having represented a conversion to the national system of the Union Trust Co., the National charter for the latter having been taken out with a view to facilitating the merger of the trust company and The National Commercial Bank. The consolidated bank has a capital of \$1,250,000, surplus of \$2,000,000 and undivided profits of \$850,000. The consolidation became effective April 28. The following are the officers of the consolidated institution:

President, Robert C. Pruyn; Vice-Presidents, Gerrit Y. Lansing, Thomas I. Van Antwerp; Walter W. Batchelder, Jacob H. Herzog, Gardner B. Perry; Cashier, William L. Gillespie; Ass't. Vice-President, MacNaughton Miller; Ass't Cashiers, R. C. B. Adams, Herbert J. Knelp, Leo K. Fox; Trust Officer, Charles M. McGarvey; Manager Industrial Department, Ernest W. Pittman.

The Fidelity Trust Company of Buffalo has announced the appointment of Throop M. Wilder, formerly in charge of the Rochester territory of the National City Company of New York, to the newly created position of Manager of the Investment Department. During the war Mr. Wilder held the rank of Major and was Division Inspector of the 89th Division and later of the 1st Division while it was part of the Army of Occupation.

Two new banks are in process of organization in Utica, N. Y. One of the proposed institutions plans to organize under the name of the Merchants' Bank with a capital of \$100,000. The other is to incorporate under the name of the People's Bank of Utica with \$100,000 capital. The names of those who are to serve as the incorporators of the Merchants' Bank are: Walter D. Jones, Christian A. Durr, Francis M. Matt, Harlan G. Newcomer, Clarence B. Williams, C. R. Dewey, John B. Witte, Abe E. Nathan, Karol J. Szyplski, Karol Welik and William F. McCann. The names of the proposed incorporators of the People's Bank are: Vincenzo Marrone, George L. Brunner, Nicholas D. Peters, John P. Liddy, Fred E. Cantwell, Joseph M. Marrone, Henry R. Beebe, Richard H. Auld, Nicholas E. Devereux, Jr., Robert Kowlasky and Thayer Burgess.

At National Shawmut Bank (Boston) directors' meeting W. S. Gifford, Vice-President and Comptroller of the American Telephone & Telegraph Co., was elected a director to succeed Theodore N. Vail, deceased.

Mr. John Bolinger, Vice-President of The National Shawmut Bank of Boston is one of the five delegates to represent the American Bankers' Association at the International Chamber of Commerce in Paris in June. He will also represent the United States Chamber of Commerce and The National Shawmut Bank. It is expected that this International Chamber may serve by personal contact to effect a community of commercial interests, and get at the roots of many present-day trade problems. Mr. Bolinger is eminently fitted, by training and experience, to serve as a representative with the delegation. He started his banking career with the Banque Cantonale of Neuchatel and the Banque Commerciale of Basle, Switzerland. From there

he went to the London branch office of the Societe Generale. With this broad continental training he has the experience in American banking methods gained through twelve years association with the Guaranty Trust Company of New York before being elected to a Vice-Presidency in The National Shawmut Bank.

The death of Albert E. Turner of Harper & Turner, Philadelphia, occurred on April 18. His death is announced with "the deepest sorrow" by the surviving partners, Clarence L. Harper and Arthur Peck, and a tribute to his worth appears in Philadelphia "Ledger" of April 20 in the column devoted to "Current Topics of the Town." Among other things the writer in giving expression to the sense of the loss suffered in Mr. Turner's death says in part:

The death of Albert E. Turner comes as a stunning blow to those who knew him. In the first reaction of grief and consternation one feels that the fact is incredible—affection and reason combine to repel the bleak, unwelcome announcement, and to say "It is not so."

And it is not so. This man so built his life with blessing into the greater life of Philadelphia that he is not dead and will not die.

He who was everybody's friend is an influence still. He who toiled and thought unsparingly for the good of you and me, for the help of this great town we live in, abides not in the flesh but in the soul as an immortal inspiration. No "obituary notice" will come near him. The grave has won no victory, and death stings not, for on his new life, a life regnant and triumphant, the day is breaking and the shadows flee.

Four new directors have been added to the directorate of the Rittenhouse Trust Co., of Philadelphia, namely Howard Cooper Johnson, Dr. Edward Hodge, Samuel M. Clement, Jr., and Harry S. McDevitt. On April 5 the Trust Co. moved to its new quarters at 1512 Chestnut Street which it recently purchased.

The Colonial Trust Company of Philadelphia is increasing its capital from \$300,000 to \$500,000 and its surplus from \$300,000 to \$500,000, by issuing the remaining 4,000 authorized shares of capital stock of par \$50. Stockholders are given rights to subscribe to the new stock at \$100 per share in the proportion of two new shares for each three shares owned, payment to be made June 1 1920.

A new financial institution will open on Monday next (May 10) in Philadelphia under the name of the Public Bank & Trust Co. with a capital of \$200,000 and surplus of \$20,000. The officers of the Company are: George W. Haney, President; I. S. Titelman, Morris Finer, George H. Silver and Morris Kraftsow, Vice-Presidents; S. G. Snook, Vice-President and Cashier and Jacob Ash, Treasurer. The institution is located at Seventh and Morris Streets. The stock is in shares of \$50 each and was disposed of at \$55 per share, the premium of \$5 a share creating the surplus. The charter for the new institution was granted on Oct. 24 1919.

Edward C. Snyder, Jr., Secretary and Treasurer of the Tioga Trust Company of Philadelphia, was elected a director of the institution on April 14.

An addition of \$200,000 to the capital of the Warren National Bank, of Warren, Pa. is announced, increasing it to \$500,000. The \$200,000 of the new Capital stock (par value \$100) sold on the basis of \$200 per share which enabled the bank to increase its capital from \$300,000 to \$500,000 and its surplus from \$300,000 to \$500,000. The increase became effective April 29 1920. The increase was ratified by the stockholders March 1 1920.

The County National Bank of Lock Haven, Pa. opened for business on May 4, with a capital of \$250,000 and surplus of \$25,000, following the issuance of a charter for the institution by the Comptroller of the Currency. Reference to its application for a charter was made in our issue of February 14. The officers are: C. R. Armstrong, President; S. D. Furst, Vice-President; H. W. Shoemaker, Vice-President; A. G. Paine, 3rd, Vice-President; F. H. Fredevetts, Cashier and M. A. Burkett, Assistant Cashier.

The First National Bank of Duquesne, Pa. has added \$50,000 to its capital, making it \$100,000. A stock dividend of 100% was paid out of the undivided profits and the additional stock was all taken up by the old holders, at par \$100. The new capital ratified by the stockholders on Apr. 3 became effective April 28 1920.

Henry O. Redue heretofore Cashier, has been elected a Vice-President of the Old Town National Bank of Baltimore, Md. and a member of the Board of Directors. Mr. Redue who has been associated with the bank for 30 years is succeeded in the cashiership by Francis M. Miller, Assistant Cashier.

William B. Ridgely, formerly Comptroller of the Currency, died in Baltimore on May 1 following an operation. Mr. Ridgely served as Comptroller from 1901 to 1908, having resigned to take the Presidency of the National Bank of Commerce of Kansas City, Mo., as then re-organized. At the time he was chosen Comptroller Mr. Ridgely had been Secretary of the Republic Iron & Steel Co. and previously, at various times, had been connected with national banks. At the time of his death he was 62 years of age.

Announcement is made by the Fidelity Securities Corporation of Maryland that Bernard J. Burgunder, for the past three years connected with the bond department of W. W. Lanahan & Co., Baltimore, Md., has become associated with the investment department of the Fidelity Securities Corporation. Mr. Burgunder is well known to, and has many friends among bond dealers and individual investors.

Clifford B. Wright, Chairman of the Board of Directors of the Union Savings Bank & Trust Company of Cincinnati, died suddenly on April 29 a few hours after he was stricken with apoplexy. Mr. Wright's part in the upbuilding of the city and its enterprises is indicated in editorial comment appearing as follows in the "Cincinnati Enquirer" of April 30:

Removal of Clifford B. Wright from his familiar haunts in the business and social life of Cincinnati serves to remind the living of the valuable constructive services of the element of the community in which he was a representative member. He was of the building, the creative type, as distinguished from the destroying, remodeling and reshaping forces which now are so much in evidence. As a citizen he reflected honor upon the city, which, as is his just due, sincerely will mourn his severance from life and deeply regret the sudden fashion of his call to the hereafter.

Mr. Wright was 65 years of age. He was born in Cincinnati; after his graduation from Ohio Wesleyan University in 1875 he entered the service of the banking firm of H. W. Hughes & Co. Later for a time he located in New York as an officer of the National Starch Co. Upon his return to Cincinnati he became Vice-President of the Ohio Valley National Bank, and when that institution was merged with the First National Bank he became a Vice-President of the latter. In April 1907 he was elected President of the Union Savings Bank and Trust Company and in November, 1919, when it became affiliated with the Fifth-Third National Bank, he was made Chairman of the Board of Directors. Mr. Wright was also a director of the United States Playing Card Co., the Strobridge Lithographing Co., the Cincinnati New Orleans and Texas Pacific Railroad, the Ohio Traction Company, and the American Tool Works. He was Director of the Union Central Life Insurance Company and Chairman of the Executive Committee of that company. Among other important posts in which he served was that of President of the Commercial Club, in which capacity he assisted in originating the Bureau of Municipal Research for Cincinnati.

The Bankers Trust Co. of Denver is the name of a new financial institution formed in Denver from the consolidation of the well known investment houses of Sweet, Causey, Foster & Co. and Wright, Swan & Co., and with the support of eight of the directors of the Denver National Bank and six of the United States Bank of Denver. The new institution has a capital of \$1,000,000 and surplus of \$250,000, all paid in, and a directorate of thirty-five prominent bankers and business men of the city and State. It will conduct a banking business in the broader sense, similar to the larger trust companies of the East. It will devote its activities to corporation business, underwriting and marketing of securities, and the handling of all forms of bond financing. No commercial accounts will be received, but there is a savings department. Beginning business June 1, the temporary offices will be those of Sweet, Causey, Foster & Co., 7 Equitable Building, until a home can be built at the southeast corner of 17th and California Streets, upon which a 99-year lease has been obtained. Alexis C. Foster of Sweet, Causey, Foster & Co. is President of the trust company. William E. Sweet and James H. Causey will remain as directors. James N. Wright, Henry Swan and Clark Mitchell of Wright, Swan & Co., with William D. Downs of Gano-Downs & Co. are the Vice-Presidents. These, with the following, form the board of directors:

John C. Mitchell, President Denver National Bank; James Ringode Vice-President United States National Bank; Thomas F. Daly, President, Capitol Life Insurance Co.; William V. Hodges, attorney; S. N. Hicks, President Mountain Motors Co.; J. M. B. Petrkin, President First National Bank, Greeley; Frank T. Metzler, President J. S. Brown Mercantile Co.; Finlay L. MacFarland, President the MacFarland Auto Co.; W. E. Porter, capitalist; A. A. Reed, Vice-President United States National Bank; Karl C. Schuyler, attorney; C. MacA. Willcox, President Daniels & Fisher Stores Co.; Tyson Dines, attorney; C. H. Cheney, President First National Bank, Boulder; Merritt W. Gano, capitalist; C. A. Johnson, Lyons & Johnson; Hon. Oliver H. Shoup, Governor of Colorado; Fred W. Standart, Standart & Main; E. S. Kassler, President Nevada-California Electric Corp.; Harry C. James, Vice-President Denver National Bank; James B. Grant, Lewis & Grant, attorneys; E. T. Wilson, President Continental Oil Co.; P. H. Holme, Dines, Dines & Holme, attorneys; and J. F. Welborn, President of the Colorado Fuel & Iron Co.

The First National Bank of Tulsa, Okla., reports a capital and surplus as of April 17 of \$700,000, of which \$500,000 represents capital. The latter has been increased from \$300,000. The new stock was voted by the stockholders on March 16, and was approved by the Comptroller on April 17, on which latter date the new stock was issued. It was distributed at par to the old stockholders in proportion to their holdings, no rights being surrendered. On Feb. 28 the bank reported deposits of \$11,701,261 and resources of \$12,321,226. G. R. McCullough is President and Roscoe Adams is Cashier.

Claude B. Carter has been appointed representative in Arkansas and Oklahoma for the Mississippi Valley Trust Company. Mr. Carter took up his duties with the Trust Company on May 1st, giving up an independent investment banking business in Fort Smith, Arkansas. He was formerly connected with the Arkansas Valley Bank as Cashier, and with the Fort Smith Bank & Trust Company. He has been active in the affairs of the Arkansas Bankers Association for a number of years and lately served as a member of the Committees on Publication and Agriculture. As a representative of the Mississippi Valley Trust Company, Mr. Carter will travel in Arkansas and Oklahoma, making his headquarters at Fort Smith, Arkansas.

The National City Bank of Tampa, Fla., has increased its capital from \$300,000 to \$500,000 and its surplus from \$60,000 to \$100,000. The additional stock (par \$100) was disposed of at \$130 per share. The plans to enlarge the capital were ratified by the stockholders on Jan. 13 and the new half million dollar capital was made available April 19. The bank, which began business Mar. 19 1917 now has more than 200 stockholders. Its resources amount to over \$3,000,000.

At a meeting on April 13 the directors of the Central State Bank of Dallas, Texas, voted to recommend to the stockholders that the capital be increased from \$500,000 to \$1,000,000. The premium obtained through the sale at \$160 per \$100 share of the additional stock will be added to the surplus thereby increasing it to about \$400,000. The stockholders ratified the increase on April 29 and the new capital will become effective immediately.

The Home National Bank of Long Beach (Cal.) is the name of an institution for which a charter has been applied. It is to have a capital of \$200,000. The proposed institution is scheduled to begin business next November.

At a meeting on April 13 the stockholders of the First National Bank of Santa Barbara, Calif., voted to increase the capital from \$200,000 to \$300,000. The combined capital, surplus and undivided profits aggregate \$450,000.

The Royal Bank of Canada (Head Office, Montreal) plans to issue \$3,400,000 of new capital thereby increasing the paid in capital from \$17,000,000 to \$20,400,000. The additional stock will be offered to stockholders of record May 31 at \$150 per \$100 share at the rate of one share of new stock for every five shares now held. The Bank has an authorized capital of \$25,000,000. It is stated that the issuance of the new stock was deemed desirable owing to the substantial increase in the Canadian business of the bank and that it is chiefly for the development of domestic commerce that the management of the institution has thought it advisable to expand the capital. The bank already has an extensive and prosperous foreign business, through which the outside trade of the Dominion is being facilitated and extended, but the funds used in the exploitation of this are obtained entirely from the deposits received in foreign



countries. The new stock is made payable in ten monthly installments beginning July 2 1920, the last payment being due April 11 1921.

Several changes have occurred in the management of some of the branches of the Bank of Nova Scotia. They are as follows: E. F. Macneill, previously manager of the Regina Branch has been appointed Manager of the Halifax Branch, succeeding H. A. Flemming, who, after 46 years of service, is retiring from active branch management, but will continue to act as Secretary to the board of directors. D. A. Y. Merriek, Manager at Saskatoon, has been appointed to take the office which Mr. Macneill vacates at Regina and O. L. Ferriss has been appointed to succeed Mr. Merriek at Saskatoon.

The active entry of Royal Securities Corporation, Head Office, Montreal, into the American financial field is indicated in the announcement of the incorporation of a Company under New York State Laws, under the name of Agency of Royal Securities Corporation (Canada) Limited, with offices at 165 Broadway under the management of Oliver E. Hurd. The addition of a New York office to its branches in Canada and London, Eng., has been rendered necessary by the rapid growth of the Corporation's American business, the most recent evidence of which was public issue in the United States in conjunction with Lee, Higginson & Company and Harris, Forbes, Inc. of \$5,500,000 The Bell Telephone Company of Canada 7% bonds. Royal Securities Corporation was founded in 1903 by Sir Max Aitken, now Lord Beaverbrook.

Other Western and Southern clearings brought forward from first page.

Clearings at—	April.			Four Months.		
	1920.	1919.	Inc. or Dec.	1920.	1919.	Inc. or Dec.
Kansas City	997,408,242	796,290,140	+25.3	4,231,468,383	3,161,422,646	+33.9
Minneapolis	367,309,156	166,715,851	+120.3	1,007,672,626	635,424,308	+58.3
Omaha	315,273,873	228,585,121	+37.9	1,236,747,526	963,995,727	+28.3
St. Paul	197,552,964	69,158,168	+185.7	454,121,063	272,307,620	+66.9
Denver	163,194,203	116,785,448	+31.2	614,480,546	455,837,257	+34.9
St. Joseph	72,315,295	70,607,143	+2.4	343,724,225	312,063,098	+10.1
Des Moines	59,346,360	45,358,956	+30.8	265,872,578	176,057,514	+51.0
St. Louis	57,702,313	42,280,362	+36.5	220,563,609	176,445,127	+25.0
Duluth	31,842,082	27,542,993	+15.6	115,094,728	120,962,920	-4.9
Wichita	61,309,222	40,268,881	+49.8	245,054,577	160,543,011	+52.6
Lincoln	26,211,414	20,681,870	+26.7	114,090,107	82,273,991	+38.7
Topeka	14,539,731	15,365,848	-5.4	63,423,306	55,165,033	+15.0
Cedar Rapids	14,065,812	9,908,522	+42.0	60,008,558	40,338,227	+48.8
Colorado Spgs.	5,432,043	3,874,522	+40.2	22,015,767	13,895,050	+58.4
Pueblo	4,106,278	3,517,794	+16.7	16,306,176	12,566,164	+29.8
Fargo	14,519,136	12,317,105	+17.6	48,432,056	45,035,244	+7.5
St. Paul	16,992,904	14,733,859	+15.3	76,539,804	55,637,847	+35.8
Waterloo	7,731,602	7,095,751	+21.7	40,425,736	29,184,515	+38.5
Helena	7,761,214	8,454,500	-8.1	33,645,289	39,755,784	-15.5
Aberdeen	7,277,472	5,865,424	+24.1	27,660,361	21,171,597	+31.6
Joplin	9,011,750	6,344,000	+42.1	34,726,659	26,318,000	+31.9
Freemont	3,675,348	2,990,245	+22.9	15,806,886	12,503,313	+22.1
Hastings	4,470,958	2,521,102	+78.5	17,750,163	9,249,170	+91.9
Billings	6,023,105	5,978,825	+0.8	22,569,215	20,814,271	+8.4
Grand Forks	7,787,400	5,745,000	+35.6	28,900,400	21,991,000	+31.4
Lawrence	2,039,907	1,720,936	+18.5	8,050,473	6,847,213	+17.6
Iowa City	2,929,130	2,400,109	+22.0	14,004,731	9,377,470	+49.3
Oshkosh	3,238,009	2,183,922	+48.2	12,884,327	9,114,803	+41.4
Kansas City	22,675,195	3,376,894	+671.5	67,892,355	12,713,685	+434.0
Lewistown	2,584,083	2,582,686	+0.05	9,082,207	10,729,070	-15.3
Great Falls	7,924,133	Not incl.	Not incl.	29,873,506	Not incl.	Not incl.
Rochester	7,249,061	Not incl.	Not incl.	9,101,389	Not incl.	Not incl.
Min t.	1,481,800	Not incl.	Not incl.	5,824,443	Not incl.	Not incl.
Total Oth. West	2498326201	1742540928	+43.4	9,468,211,547	6,967,197,747	+35.9
St. Louis	715,337,306	630,037,390	+13.5	2,966,121,497	2,555,221,290	+16.1
New Orleans	286,424,838	208,011,539	+37.7	1,208,494,954	922,050,065	+31.1
Louisville	104,159,141	74,495,206	+40.1	307,691,124	256,776,360	+18.8
Houston	121,207,107	64,876,505	+86.8	486,176,457	260,168,829	+86.9
Galveston	28,605,900	20,331,176	+40.7	125,901,532	84,059,428	+49.8
Richmond	254,400,586	120,136,678	+111.1	1,225,566,647	850,347,151	+32.0
Fort Worth	86,623,778	59,374,738	+45.9	350,375,887	255,614,189	+33.2
Atlanta	295,207,165	207,845,364	+42.0	1,221,286,745	887,008,230	+37.7
Memphis	111,680,785	74,270,350	+50.4	514,983,202	305,391,718	+68.6
Nashville	42,847,624	25,689,183	+66.8	191,326,683	105,071,148	+82.1
Savannah	104,514,526	68,484,289	+52.6	415,304,199	265,776,087	+56.3
Norfolk	44,403,400	40,342,260	+10.7	191,912,488	153,912,244	+24.7
Birmingham	84,686,725	47,407,271	+78.6	332,428,921	201,921,584	+64.6
Jacksonville	56,835,119	36,032,364	+57.7	219,775,966	143,151,748	+53.5
Chattanooga	36,166,438	21,265,002	+70.1	141,062,994	88,406,137	+59.6
Knoxville	14,221,447	12,103,618	+17.5	58,061,633	44,424,295	+30.7
Little Rock	59,655,885	20,330,505	+193.4	227,794,329	83,249,011	+173.6
Mobile	10,696,645	7,288,945	+46.8	42,434,006	27,955,463	+51.8
Augusta	21,917,983	12,830,737	+70.8	92,506,579	50,307,283	+83.9
Charleston	21,784,634	15,410,616	+41.4	90,271,395	58,759,205	+53.6
Oklahoma	59,517,726	44,379,870	+34.1	228,525,549	164,352,917	+39.0
Macon	31,120,141	8,009,114	+288.6	138,554,630	29,532,391	+369.2
Columbia	18,036,245	9,060,076	+99.1	70,503,240	35,255,407	+100.0
Beaumont	6,618,500	6,384,563	+3.7	27,433,729	24,743,700	+10.9
Austin	8,176,746	18,185,548	-55.0	32,560,072	141,409,654	-77.0
Columbus, Ga.	6,761,389	3,229,001	+109.4	21,752,761	12,294,517	+76.9
Wilmington, N.C.	5,252,204	3,718,896	+41.3	20,044,933	15,070,546	+33.0
Vicksburg	1,730,093	1,910,742	-9.4	7,963,103	7,185,959	+10.8
Muskogee	15,627,534	13,319,425	+16.6	79,900,102	47,356,179	+72.4
Tulsa	60,202,535	39,187,574	+53.6	226,194,850	160,143,656	+41.9
Jackson	3,255,748	2,338,425	+39.2	13,262,393	9,983,762	+32.8
El Paso	27,820,467	24,760,625	+12.4	116,963,787	92,548,330	+26.4
Waco	15,137,467	8,564,168	+76.8	62,433,436	38,835,041	+60.8
Dallas	164,175,292	102,693,747	+59.9	701,653,304	424,161,235	+65.4
Newport News	4,434,572	4,431,761	+0.06	17,258,049	18,109,484	-4.7
Montgomery	9,114,315	7,526,041	+21.1	39,492,719	28,337,992	+39.4
Tampa	11,545,249	10,121,271	+26.7	45,857,716	34,231,838	+34.0
Texasarkana	3,677,804	3,558,815	+0.5	14,136,402	13,644,728	+3.6
Raleigh	8,333,696	4,504,454	+85.0	32,760,834	16,407,762	+99.7
Shreveport	24,075,074	10,909,698	+117.0	94,563,541	46,216,128	+104.6
Port Arthur	1,862,890	1,183,874	+57.4	7,135,003	5,320,278	+34.1
Wichita Falls	25,615,403	14,145,957	+81.1	89,432,011	46,594,770	+91.9
Total Southern	3016376765	2195676311	+37.4	12374847,432	9,110,308,766	+36.1

Clearings at—	Week ending May 1.				
	1920.	1919.	Inc. or Dec.	1918.	1917.
Kansas City	223,445,703	192,961,010	+15.8	174,080,442	136,360,818
Minneapolis	80,283,284	38,751,756	+107.2	28,957,349	38,092,868
Omaha	59,483,447	51,791,521	+14.9	37,309,960	35,781,284
St. Paul	19,671,214	16,236,632	+21.2	14,766,116	19,339,680
Denver	21,657,338	25,509,760	-15.1	23,864,945	15,184,396
St. Joseph	15,971,815	15,717,235	+1.6	17,990,615	14,831,497
Des Moines	11,738,439	10,719,299	+9.5	10,372,602	9,189,687
Duluth	7,804,834	7,376,165	+5.8	3,963,186	8,263,006
St. Louis	9,817,045	11,082,000	-11.4	9,369,489	6,518,576
Wichita	13,951,506	9,657,189	+44.5	7,485,904	6,333,221
Lincoln	5,437,765	4,694,752	+15.8	4,721,729	4,169,125
Topeka	2,824,723	2,339,032	+20.7	2,700,000	2,392,227
Cedar Rapids	2,665,725	2,431,587	+9.7	2,166,286	2,776,926
Fargo	2,469,973	2,177,235	+13.4	1,863,375	1,651,119
Colorado Springs	635,000	452,060	+40.5	496,577	802,798
Pueblo	933,324	733,614	+27.2	702,208	546,480
Freemont	728,186	676,604	+7.7	799,530	619,552
Waterloo	1,986,628	1,813,040	+9.5	2,636,618	3,002,000
Helena	1,457,598	1,704,424	+14.5	2,137,086	2,073,302
Billings	1,599,338	1,199,857	+25.8	935,959	1,208,364
Hastings	906,585	496,958	+86.2	550,000	518,777
Aberdeen	1,600,643	1,472,849	+8.7	974,122	867,169
Total Oth. West	486,981,113	399,984,599	+27.8	348,844,098	310,522,872
St. Louis	152,552,256	142,384,736	+7.1	137,840,322	127,642,492
New Orleans	63,854,525	50,093,492	+27.5	56,327,344	39,998,619
Louisville	27,247,142	16,098,898	+69.3	24,753,009	18,124,444
Houston	30,593,285	15,904,617	+92.4	12,303,673	11,265,418
Galveston	6,800,000	4,938,133	+37.7	3,200,000	3,574,744
Richmond	58,766,707	49,130,044	+9.4	42,826,266	24,201,573
Fort Worth	20,595,107	14,798,362	+39.2	11,053,851	11,751,174
Atlanta	57,016,927	51,858,706	+10.0	42,273,333	24,480,180
Memphis	22,567,845	16,671,476	+35.4	10,825,333	10,840,384
Nashville	22,842,902	14,013,005	+63.0	12,844,441	9,851,357
Savannah	9,370,660	7,410,674	+26.4	6,664,093	7,414,136
Norfolk	9,958,099	9,572,413	+4.0	6,816,289	6,163,478
Birmingham	18,461,317	12,868,400	+43.5	4,710,595	3,392,072
Jacksonville	14,000,000	9,898,708	+41.4	5,703,139	4,492,628
Chattanooga	7,655,914	4,410,996	+73.6	5,024,357	3,300,680
Knoxville	2,847,790	3,107,589	-8.4	3,313,532	2,473,522
Augusta	3,378,934	4,219,788	-19.9	3,427,663	2,303,541
Little Rock	10,943,480	4,051,491	+170.1	4,577,284	3,293,880
Oklahoma	13,225,525	9,491,124	+39.3	7,862,289	7,292,148
Mobile	2,600,000	1,809,034	+38.2	1,661,055	1,500,000
Charleston	4,664,677	3,566,573	+30.8	2,900,000	2,690,196
Macon	6,625,794	1,750,000	+278.6	1,800,000	



**Clearings by Telegraph—Sales of Stocks, Bonds, &c.**  
—The subjoined table, covering clearings for the current week, usually appears on the first page of each issue, but on account of the length of the other tables is crowded out once a month. The figures are received by telegraph from other leading cities.

Clearings—Returns by Telegraph. Week ending May 8.	1920.	1919.	Per Cent.
New York	\$3,806,590,101	\$3,131,969,668	+21.5
Chicago	563,527,401	452,078,859	+24.7
Philadelphia	*400,000,000	313,079,021	+27.8
Boston	326,139,085	259,841,686	+25.5
Kansas City	*200,000,000	171,577,033	+16.6
St. Louis	132,520,551	121,601,116	+9.0
San Francisco	119,525,285	98,519,816	+21.3
Pittsburgh	124,175,073	96,402,405	+28.8
Detroit	*102,000,000	70,185,247	+45.3
Baltimore	75,170,681	57,122,915	+31.6
New Orleans	67,251,830	52,085,470	+29.1
Eleven cities, 5 days	\$5,916,900,007	\$4,824,463,236	+22.7
Other cities, 5 days	1,120,943,681	695,421,276	+61.1
Total all cities, 5 days	\$7,037,843,688	\$5,519,884,512	+27.5
All cities, 1 day	1,495,872,394	1,155,080,894	+29.5
Total all cities for week	\$8,533,716,082	\$6,674,965,406	+27.8

\* Partly estimated.

Our usual monthly detailed statement of transactions on the New York Stock Exchange is appended. The results for the two months of 1920 and 1919 are given below:

Description.	Four Months 1920.			Four Months 1919.		
	Par Value or Quantity.	Actual Value.	Aver. Price.	Par Value or Quantity.	Actual Value.	Aver. Price.
Stock/Shares	99,201,457			74,060,168		
(Val.)	\$8,830,305,425	\$7,910,393,545	89.6	\$7,008,363,655	\$6,062,126,451	86.5
RR. bonds	204,790,000	172,801,667	84.4	154,028,000	137,570,311	89.3
U. S. bonds	1,017,157,900	939,538,922	92.4	777,332,200	736,694,992	94.8
State, city & for bonds	107,192,800	101,803,247	95.0	141,349,000	140,137,454	99.1
Bank stocks	800	2,534,316.7	316.7	46,200	98,797,213.8	213.8
Total	10,159,476,925	\$9,124,539,915	89.8	\$8,081,119,055	\$7,076,628,005	87.6

The volume of transactions in share properties on the New York Stock Exchange each month since Jan. 1 in 1920 and 1919 is indicated in the following:

SALES OF STOCKS AT THE NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE.

Mth.	1920.			1919.		
	Number of Shares.	Par.	Actual.	Number of Shares.	Par.	Actual.
Jan.	19,880,166	1,781,060,200	1,611,927,486	11,858,465	1,126,755,705	1,037,426,808
Feb.	21,865,309	1,929,409,800	1,685,946,403	12,210,741	1,152,181,000	1,038,276,918
Mar.	29,008,743	2,585,053,325	2,312,469,840	21,403,531	2,019,230,100	1,845,369,427
1st qtr.	70,754,218	6,295,523,325	5,610,343,729	45,472,737	4,298,166,805	3,921,073,153
April	28,447,239	2,534,782,100	2,300,049,816	28,587,431	2,710,196,850	2,141,053,298

The following compilation covers the clearings by months since Jan. 1 in 1920 and 1919:

MONTHLY CLEARINGS.

Month.	Clearings, Total All.			Clearings Outside New York.		
	1920.	1919.	%	1920.	1919.	%
January	\$41,605,136,819	\$32,428,137,754	+28.3	\$18,395,416,713	\$14,567,494,920	+26.3
February	\$33,230,502,161	\$25,808,147,986	+28.8	\$15,086,449,758	\$11,613,895,464	+29.9
March	\$41,240,600,536	\$30,092,846,875	+37.0	\$18,907,335,675	\$13,605,873,216	+39.0
1st qtr.	\$116,076,239,516	\$88,329,132,615	+31.4	\$52,389,202,126	\$39,787,563,600	+31.7
April	\$39,584,969,015	\$30,610,755,295	+29.3	\$17,784,524,920	\$13,277,687,872	+34.0

The course of bank clearings at leading cities of the country for the month of February and since Jan. 1 in each of the last four years is shown in the subjoined statement:

BANK CLEARINGS AT LEADING CITIES.

(000,000s omitted.)	April				Jan. 1 to April 30			
	1920.	1919.	1918.	1917.	1920.	1919.	1918.	1917.
New York	21,800	17,333	14,094	14,653	85,857	65,875	54,912	56,803
Chicago	2,700	2,270	2,222	2,112	11,149	8,844	8,376	8,156
Boston	1,651	1,259	1,222	1,014	6,465	5,125	4,444	3,922
Philadelphia	2,122	1,636	1,580	1,410	8,206	6,656	5,753	5,527
St. Louis	715	630	646	550	2,966	2,555	2,527	2,180
Pittsburgh	712	554	396	327	2,791	2,225	1,277	1,313
San Francisco	654	491	424	366	2,676	2,044	1,641	1,419
Cincinnati	297	237	240	167	1,204	993	837	686
Baltimore	393	316	257	182	1,546	1,310	813	718
Kansas City	997	796	816	564	4,231	3,161	3,321	2,165
Cleveland	594	398	334	288	2,230	1,575	1,240	1,063
New Orleans	286	208	241	154	1,208	922	906	578
Minneapolis	367	167	129	136	1,008	635	528	484
Louisville	104	74	101	81	308	357	394	361
Detroit	540	319	251	233	2,013	1,227	867	897
Milwaukee	149	126	123	99	580	503	469	405
Los Angeles	329	169	125	127	1,256	627	458	515
Providence	60	43	50	44	242	169	193	177
Omaha	315	229	256	141	1,237	964	938	571
Buffalo	194	99	90	75	736	371	340	300
St. Paul	198	69	64	63	454	272	244	233
Indianapolis	76	62	58	55	315	237	238	218
Denver	153	117	101	67	614	456	358	247
Richmond	254	210	178	102	1,123	850	659	389
Memphis	112	74	53	44	515	305	235	182
Seattle	198	155	148	90	742	591	506	322
Hartford	46	39	35	37	174	133	130	146
Salt Lake City	73	61	54	54	305	233	210	212
Total	36,089	28,141	24,288	23,234	141,781	109,215	92,840	90,171
Other cities	8,496	2,470	2,196	1,779	13,886	9,723	8,530	6,910
Total all	39,585	30,611	26,484	25,013	155,667	118,940	101,370	97,081
Outside New York	17,785	13,278	12,390	10,361	70,174	53,065	46,458	40,278

THE ENGLISH GOLD AND SILVER MARKETS.

We reprint the following from the weekly circular of Samuel Montagu & Co. of London, written under date of April 1 1919:

GOLD.

A remarkably large fall is shown in the Bank of England gold reserve against notes. The return issued to-day gives the amount as £111,646,970, a decrease of £3,562,950, as compared with that of last week. The moderate amount of gold available this week was taken for South America, New York and the Straits Settlements. It is reported from New York that \$500,000, \$200,000 and \$20,000 in gold have been shipped, or engaged for shipment, to Cuba, Ceylon and Mexico, while \$1,200,000 in gold have been received from London. The movement of gold on account of the repayment of the Anglo-French loan from the United States of America has not only had a very favorable effect upon the exchange between this country and America, but has also established a record as to the amount of gold carried upon any one ship. Two vessels recently left England on the same day—the Minnekahda and the Lapland—both carrying over £2,000,000. It is understood that the former's gold cargo is more than the £2,000,000 placed on board the German liner Kronprinzessin Cecilie at New York during the critical days of July 1914. The last mentioned vessel did not reach her intended destination but had to take refuge again in Bar Harbor, Maine. It is reported that the Philadelphia will sail this week with a similar large consignment.

We have heard from Bombay by mail under date of March 12 that the price of gold in that city—owing to Government sales—has dipped below Rps. 23.14-4, the equivalent per tola of gold as based upon 15 rupees per sovereign (full weight). Our correspondents state that as soon as dealers were able to secure gold purchased in the last Government sale they commenced to sell it freely and the price again declined to Rps. 21.6. The quotation for the March settlement was Rps. 1 below this ready rate. This movement is extremely interesting in that it shows that Government sales have achieved their purpose and that a condition of affairs has now been reached which suggests that, were the external and internal ratios of the rupee to the sovereign made identical, the bazaar price of gold would probably adjust itself in accordance.

SILVER.

The market has been of a fairly robust character during the week, though the edge of the demand seems rather taken off. At somewhat lower rates there would be considerable inquiry. In reviewing the outlook, it should be remembered that China is really bearing the onus of supporting a market, which comprises an increasing production and large amounts of demoted silver. The way in which these large amounts of coin have accumulated is of interest. Intelligent traders, in the parts of Europe involved in the late hostilities and subsequent unrest, insisted, and are still insisting so far as possible on payment for their goods in actual coin, and are giving such change as required in the sadly depreciated paper money of these countries. The stock of coin thus acquired was and is buried, or conveyed secretly to a distance presumed to be safe. Money changers and bankers must have embarked upon similar practices by either buying at a premium or advancing money upon coin deposited with them.

The limitation of the area of disturbance is now setting free gradually immense quantities of silver coin—a slow process, for the hoards are flowing in rivulets of varying dimensions into the hands of dealers, who retail the parcels, when of sufficient size, to the London market. News of the price of silver and the profit derived from realizing these hoards cannot permeate quickly into the eastern interior of Europe, and even when known, the collection of these coins must be slow. Inasmuch as ordered security (throughout the vast territory of Russia and many of the adjoining countries) is not restored, the flow of silver—and to some extent of gold—coin may not yet have reached its full volume. In any case it can be expected to last for a very long time to come, if Russia becomes tranquil under a stable government. It is evident that currency will consist of material other than silver—paper or whatnot—in these countries seriously affected by the economic consequences of the Great War.

INDIAN CURRENCY RETURNS.

In Lacs of Rupees—	Mar. 7.	Mar. 15.	Mar. 22.
Notes in circulation	18244	18274	17903
Silver coin and bullion in India	3864	3890	3894
Silver coin and bullion out of India			
Gold coin and bullion in India	4204	4464	4422
Gold coin and bullion out of India	366	110	100
Securities (Indian Government)	1560	1560	1560
Securities (British Government)	8250	8250	7927

The coinage during the week ending 22nd ult. amounted to 89 lacs of rupees. The stock in Shanghai on the 27th ult. consisted of about 42,300,000 ounces in sycee, \$19,800,000, and 25 lacs of silver bars and U. S. dollars, as compared with about 34,900,000 ounces in sycee, \$14,600,000 and 120 lacs of silver bars and U. S. dollars on the 13th ult. The Shanghai exchange is quoted at 7s. 4d. the tael. Quotations for bar silver per ounce standard:

Cash.	Two Mos.	Cash.	Two Mos.
March 26	71d.	71½d.	72½d.
March 27	71½d.	71¾d.	71.770d.
March 29	71¾d.	71¾d.	71.770d.
March 30	72½d.	72½d.	72½d.
March 31	72½d.	72½d.	72½d.

The quotations to-day for cash and forward delivery are respectively the same and ½d. above those fixed a week ago.

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:

Week ending May 7.	Sat.	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thurs.	Fri.
Silver, per fine oz.	67½	65½	64½	63½	62½	60
Gold, per fine oz.	109s.6d.	108s.	107s.	107s.6d.	108s.3d.	108s.
Consols, 2½ per cents.	Holiday	47½	47½	47½	48½	48½
British, 5 per cents.	Holiday	83½	83½	83½	83½	84½
British, 4½ per cents.	Holiday	78	77½	77½	77½	77½
French Rentes (in Paris) fr.	56.80	56.80	56.75	57	57.10	57.10
French War Loan (in Paris) fr.	87.50	87.50	87.55	87.55	87.55	87.55

The price of silver in New York on the same day has been:

Silver in N. Y., per oz.	cts.110	110½	109½	107½	105½	102½
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Commercial and Miscellaneous News

**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:

Shares.	Stocks.	Per cent.	Bonds.	Per cent.
25	Schatz Mfg., 1st pref.	80	\$1,000 Kings Co. Ltg. 1st Ref. 5s, '54	36
10	Morgan Steam Laundry	70	\$1,000 New Or. Ry. & Lt gen lien	
59	Bond & Mtge. Guarantee	200	4½s, 1935	52
93	Royal Baking Powder, com.	127	250,000 marks City of Berlin 4s	
500	Rele Equipment Corporation,		\$19¼ ppr 1000 marks	
	\$10 each	25c. per share	250,000 mks. City of Hamburg 4½s	
100	Wyoming Oil Synd. Units	11	\$19 per 1,000 marks	
15	Mueller, Inc., com.	\$500 lot	50,000 marks City of Leipzig 4½s	
			\$20 per 1,000 marks	



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

Table listing shares and stocks for R. L. Day & Co., Boston, including 1st National Bank, 10 rights Commonwealth Trust, etc.

By Messrs. Wise, Hobbs & Arnold, Boston:

Table listing shares and stocks for Wise, Hobbs & Arnold, Boston, including 14 Second Nat. Bank, 90 Houghton Cot. Mills, etc.

By Messrs. Barnes & Lofland, Philadelphia:

Table listing shares and stocks for Barnes & Lofland, Philadelphia, including 900 Smith Motor Truck, 18 United Gas & El. Corp., etc.

FOREIGN TRADE OF NEW YORK—MONTHLY STATEMENT.

Table showing foreign trade of New York with columns for Month, Imports, Exports, and Customs Receipts.

Movement of gold and silver for the 9 months:

Table showing movement of gold and silver for the 9 months with columns for Month, Imports, Exports, and Silver.

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 listing dividends for various companies including Railroads (Steam), Street and Electric Railways, and other corporations.

Large table listing various companies and their financial details, including Name of Company, Per Cent, When Payable, and Books Closed.



Name of Company	Per Cent	When Payable	Books Closed Days Inclusive
<b>Miscellaneous (Concluded)</b>			
Nash Motors, preferred (quar.)	1 1/2%	May 1	Holders of rec. April 20
National Acme (quar.)	1 1/2%	June 1	Holders of rec. May 15a
National Biscuit, common (quar.)	1 1/2%	July 15	Holders of rec. June 30a
Preferred (quar.)	1 1/2%	May 29	Holders of rec. May 17a
National Refining, common (quar.)	2	May 15	Holders of rec. May 1a
Com. (payable in com. stock)	4	May 15	Holders of rec. May 3a
National Lead, preferred (quar.)	1 1/2%	June 15	Holders of rec. May 21a
New Cornelia Copper	25c.	May 24	Holders of rec. May 7a
New Jersey Zinc (quar.)	*4	May 10	Holders of rec. April 30
New River Co., preferred (quar.)	1 1/2%	May 26	Holders of rec. May 15
New York Shipbuilding (quar.)	*8 1/2	June 1	Holders of rec. May 10
Niles-Bement-Pond, common (quar.)	1 1/2%	June 21	Holders of rec. June 1a
Preferred (quar.)	1 1/2%	June 1	Holders of rec. May 5a
Nunnally Company, common	50c.	June 1	Holders of rec. April 30a
Ohio Cities Gas, common (quar.)	\$1	June 1	Holders of rec. May 17
Ontario Steel Products, pref., (quar.)	1 1/2%	May 15	Holders of rec. April 30
Owens Bottle Co., com. (pay. in c. m. stk.)	*7 1/2	July 15	Holders of rec. June 21
Pacific Development Corp. (quar.)	\$1	May 15	Holders of rec. April 15a
Paige-Detroit Motor (monthly)	*30c.	May 10	Holders of rec. April 30
Payable in stock	*c33 1-3		Holders of rec. May 10
Peerless Truck & Motor (quar.)	*\$1.25	July 1	Holders of rec. June 1
Penmans, Ltd., common (quar.)	2	May 15	Holders of rec. May 5
Pennsylvania Coal & Coke (quar.)	\$1	May 10	Holders of rec. May 6
Pick (Albert) & Co., preferred (quar.)	1 1/2%	July 3	June 26 to June 30
Pittsburgh Oil & Gas (quar.)	*2 1/2	May 15	Holders of rec. April 30
Pittsburgh Steel, preferred (quar.)	1 1/2%	June 1	Holders of rec. May 15a
Porta Rican American Tobacco (quar.)	63	June 3	Holders of rec. May 15
Pratt & Whitney, preferred (quar.)	1 1/2%	May 20	Holders of rec. May 5a
Pressed Steel Car, common (quar.)	2	June 2	Holders of rec. May 19a
Preferred (quar.)	1 1/2%	June 2	Holders of rec. May 12a
Procter & Gamble, common (quar.)	*5	May 15	Holders of rec. April 24
Pullman Company (quar.)	2	May 15	Holders of rec. April 30
Quaker Oats, preferred (quar.)	1 1/2%	May 29	Holders of rec. May 1a
Ridion Pulp & Paper com. (quar.)	2 1/2%	May 15	Holders of rec. May 8
Savage Arms Corporation, com. (quar.)	1 1/2%	June 15	Holders of rec. June 1
First preferred (quar.)	1 1/2%	June 15	Holders of rec. June 1
Second preferred (quar.)	1 1/2%	June 15	Holders of rec. June 1
Seamans (R. E.) Co., Inc., pref. (quar.)	2	May 31	Holders of rec. May 15
Sears, Roebuck & Co., common (quar.)	2	May 15	Holders of rec. April 30a
Common (payable in common stock)	*740	July 15	Holders of rec. June 15
Shawmut Steamship (quar.)	62 1/2c.	May 15	Holders of rec. May 1
Silver Smiths Company, com. (quar.)	2	May 15	Holders of rec. May 8
Preferred (quar.)	1 1/2%	May 15	Holders of rec. May 8
Sloss-Sheffield Steel & Iron, com. (quar.)	1 1/2%	May 10	Holders of rec. April 28a
Smith (A. O.) Corp., pref. (quar.)	1 1/2%	May 15	Holders of rec. May 1
Southern California Edison, com. (quar.)	1 1/2%	May 15	Holders of rec. April 30
Southern Pine Lumber (quar.)	4	June 1	Holders of rec. May 17
Spencer Petroleum, com. (monthly)	2	May 25	Holders of rec. May 14a
Stafford Co., preferred (quar.)	1 1/2%	May 15	Holders of rec. May 5
Standard Milling, common (quar.)	2	May 31	Holders of rec. May 20a
Preferred (quar.)	1 1/2%	May 31	Holders of rec. May 20a
Standard Oil (California) (quar.)	*2 1/2	June 15	Holders of rec. May 15
Extra	*3	June 15	Holders of rec. May 15
Standard Oil (Indiana) (quar.)	*3	June 15	Holders of rec. May 17
Extra	*3	June 15	Holders of rec. May 17
Standard Oil of New York (quar.)	*4	June 15	Holders of rec. May 17
Standard Sanitary Mfg., com. (quar.)	1 1/2%	May 10	Holders of rec. May 5
Preferred (quar.)	1 1/2%	May 10	Holders of rec. May 5
Stern Brothers, preferred (quar.)	1 1/2%	June 1	Holders of rec. May 20a
Preferred (accoun. accm. dividends)	h13 1/2	June 1	Holders of rec. May 20a
Stewart-Warner Speedometer (quar.)	\$1	May 15	May 1 to May 4
Superior Steel	2	May 15	Holders of rec. May 1a
First and second preferred (quar.)	*13 1/2	June 21	Holders of rec. June 10
Scudabaker Corporation, com. (quar.)	*13 1/2	June 21	Holders of rec. June 10
Preferred (quar.)	*13 1/2	June 21	Holders of rec. June 10
Tacoma Gas & Fuel, pref. (quar.)	*13 1/2	May 15	Holders of rec. April 30
Tennessee Agricultural Chemical, pref.	*2	May 15	Holders of rec. May 5
Texas Chief Oil (monthly)	15c.	May 20	Holders of rec. May 5
Texas United Oil (monthly)	2	May 15	Holders of rec. May 1
Monthly	2	June 15	Holders of rec. June 1
Extra	1 1/2%	June 1a	Holders of rec. June 1
Timken Detroit Axle (quar.)	*4	May 14	Holders of rec. May 19
Extra	*2	May 14	Holders of rec. May 19
Tobacco Products Corp., com. (quar.)	1 1/2%	May 15	Holders of rec. April 30a
Union Bag & Paper (payable in stock)	*50	May 20	Holders of rec. May 10
Union Tank Car, com. & pref. (quar.)	*13 1/2	June 1	Holders of rec. May 5
United Cigar Stores, pref. (quar.)	1 1/2%	June 15	Holders of rec. May 28a
United Drug, second preferred (quar.)	1 1/2%	June 1	Holders of rec. May 15a
United Fuel Gas (quar.)	*4	May 10	Holders of rec. May 10a
Stock dividend	e200		
United Paperboard, common	2	May 27	Holders of rec. May 12a
Preferred (quar.)	1 1/2%	July 15	Holders of rec. May 1
United Profit Sharing	1 1/2c.	June 1	Holders of rec. May 10a
Extra	1 1/2c.	June 1	Holders of rec. May 10a
U. S. Steel Corporation, com. (quar.)	1 1/2%	June 29	June 2
Preferred (quar.)	1 1/2%	May 29	May 4
U. S. Worsted, com. (pay. in com. stock)	(o)		Holders of rec. June 15
Vacuum Oil	*3	May 29	Holders of rec. May 1
Extra	*2	May 29	Holders of rec. May 1
Waldorf System, preferred (quar.)	1 1/2%	June 1	Holders of rec. May 15
Warwick Iron & Steel	30c.	May 15	May 1 to May 16
Wayagamack Pulp & Paper (quar.)	1	June 1	Holders of rec. May 17a
Welch Grape Juice, com. (quar.)	75c.	May 31	Holders of rec. May 20
Preferred (quar.)	1 1/2%	May 31	Holders of rec. May 20
West India Sugar Finance, com. (quar.)	*13 1/2	June 1	Holders of rec. May 15
Preferred (quar.)	*2 1/2	May 26	Holders of rec. May 14
Whelan Oil (No. 1), com. (quar.)	1 1/2%	June 1	Holders of rec. May 15
White (J. G.) & Co., Inc., com. (quar.)	1 1/2%	June 1	Holders of rec. May 15
White (J. G.) Engineering, pref. (quar.)	1 1/2%	June 1	Holders of rec. May 15
White (J. G.) Management, pref. (quar.)	1 1/2%	June 1	Holders of rec. May 15
White Motors (quar.)	*\$1	June 30	Holders of rec. May 15
Wire Wheel Corporation, pref. (monthly)	1	May 10	Holders of rec. May 1
Woods Petroleum & Refining (monthly)	1	May 15	Holders of rec. April 30
Woolworth (F. W.) Co., com. (quar.)	2	June 1	May 2 to May 19
Com. (payable in com. stock)	750	June 1	May 2 to May 19

\* From unofficial sources. † Declared subject to the approval of Director-General of Railroads. ‡ The New York Stock Exchange has ruled that stock will not be quoted ex-dividend on this date and not until further notice. a Transfer books not closed for this dividend. b Less British income tax. c Correction. e Payable in stock. f Payable in common stock. g Payable in scrip. h On account of accumulated dividends. i Payable in Liberty Loan bonds. j Payable in Class B common stock. k Dividend is one share of new common for every two shares outstanding. l Payable in Class B common stock.

**Boston Clearing House Banks.**—We give below a summary showing the totals for all the items in the Boston Clearing House weekly statement for a series of weeks:

	May 1 1920.	Changes from previous week.	April 24 1920.	April 17 1920.
Circulation	\$ 3,209,000	Inc. 2,000	\$ 3,207,000	\$ 3,241,000
Loans, disc'ts & investments	593,272,000	Inc. 10,403,000	582,869,000	582,188,000
Individual deposits, incl. U.S.	438,470,000	Dec. 4,759,000	443,229,000	463,618,000
Due to banks	109,900,000	Dec. 4,272,000	114,172,000	117,882,000
Time deposits	16,499,000	Dec. 23,000	16,522,000	16,549,000
United States deposits	8,248,000	Dec. 1,612,000	9,860,000	6,967,000
Exchanges for Clearing House	21,623,000	Dec. 538,000	22,161,000	24,277,000
Due from other banks	54,700,000	Dec. 5,153,000	59,853,000	62,540,000
Cash in bank & in F. R. Bank	72,209,000	Dec. 7,082,000	79,291,000	79,715,000
Reserve excess in bank and Federal Reserve Bank	24,509,000	Dec. 6,748,000	31,257,000	29,750,000

\* Formerly included under the head of "Individual Deposits."

**Statement of New York City Clearing House Banks and Trust Companies.**—The following detailed statement shows the condition of the New York City Clearing House members for the week ending May 1. The figures for the separate banks are the averages of the daily results. In the case of totals, actual figures at end of the week are also given:

NEW YORK WEEKLY CLEARING HOUSE RETURNS.  
(Stated in thousands of dollars—that is, three ciphers [000] omitted.)

CLEARING HOUSE MEMBERS (000 omitted.)	Capital.	Net Profits.	Loans, Discount, Invest. ments, &c.	Cash in Vault.	Reserve with Legal Depositaries.	Net Demand Deposits.	Time Deposits.	Nat'l Bank Circulation.
<b>Members of Fed. Res. Bank</b>	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Bk of NY, NBA	2,000	6,866	53,713	854	5,519	35,690	4,707	789
Manhattan Co.	15,000	116,146	133,676	2,821	13,129	98,156	10,338	---
Mech & Metals	19,000	12,652	169,686	9,068	18,451	135,001	4,172	1,000
Bank of America	1,500	7,289	31,012	1,051	4,230	27,953	---	---
National City	25,000	57,025	570,968	13,952	71,461	610,803	41,114	1,34
Chemical Nat.	3,000	10,004	106,537	904	10,386	75,340	1,600	84
Atlantic Nat.	1,000	1,054	21,690	521	2,532	18,373	5,633	34
Nat Butch & D.	300	132	5,679	99	880	4,337	---	296
Amer Exch Nat.	5,000	7,128	129,690	1,448	12,825	93,342	5,910	4,812
NatBkof Comm	25,000	30,328	336,515	2,745	34,062	260,425	6,699	---
Pacific Bank	1,000	1,697	28,165	1,453	3,687	25,704	---	---
Chas & Phenix	7,000	7,238	128,023	5,109	14,539	110,609	12,675	4,571
Hanover Nat.	3,000	19,389	128,201	2,787	18,989	128,440	---	100
Citizens Nat.	3,000	3,784	57,013	984	5,726	38,981	150	982
Metropolitan	2,000	2,910	32,648	1,954	5,306	36,232	---	---
Corn Exchange	4,620	8,776	154,184	6,360	21,578	154,671	8,729	---
Imp & Trad Nat.	1,500	8,468	37,531	682	3,703	28,318	25	51
National Park	5,000	21,073	208,140	1,463	20,941	159,993	3,426	4,833
East River Nat.	1,000	695	11,768	318	1,501	11,172	786	50
Second National	1,000	4,417	24,260	817	2,846	19,511	90	637
First National	10,000	33,847	274,949	1,228	23,243	177,307	9,424	8,276
Irving Nat Bk	19,000	110,141	200,940	5,272	23,345	191,878	3,927	2,296
N Y County Na.	1,000	351	14,928	733	1,747	12,825	1,005	196
Continental	1,000	731	8,272	137	1,174	6,641	120	---
Chase Nat Bank	15,000	21,735	392,451	5,191	43,805	302,234	15,715	1,100
Fifth Avenue	2,000	2,348	29,038	968	3,003	20,552	---	---
Commercial Ex	200	967	8,525	453	1,384	8,757	---	---
Commonwealth	400	795	9,451	451	1,323	9,662	---	---
Lincoln Nat	1,000	2,109	20,917	1,021	3,047	20,456	7	210
Garfield Nat	1,000	1,437	15,046	630	2,052	15,301	115	396
Fifth National	1,000	535	15,866	317	1,756	12,900	440	249
Seaboard Nat	1,000	4,301	51,020	1,083	6,607	45,951	543	67
Liberty Nat	5,000	7,116	97,948	527	9,707	73,735	3,418	1,976
Coal & Iron Nat	1,500	1,519	24,010	842	2,078	14,983	570	409
Union Exch	1,000	1,464	24,645	719	2,877	20,925	447	395
Brooklyn Trust	1,500	2,504	42,857	768	3,962	29,504	4,854	---
Bankers Trust	20,000	18,547	292,422	950	32,085	241,938	10,536	---
U S Mtge & Tr	2,000	4,803	60,690	720	7,768	49,916	9,086	---
Guaranty Trust	25,000	31,757	527,580	2,848	54,797	498,617	26,688	---
Fidelity Trust	1,000	1,367	13,311	363	1,600	11,942	399	---
Columbia Trust	5,000	7,453	79,457	1,226	10,994	79,759	6,104	---
Peoples Trust	1,500	1,900	24,568	1,046	3,402	33,185	2,044	---
New York Trust	3,000	11,256	92,456	407	3,003	64,182	1,764	---
Franklin Tru	1,000	1,204	26,249	817	3,358	24,556	1,028	---
Lincoln Trust	1,000	925	24,227	479	3,201	24,296	1,028	---
Metropolitan Tr	2,000	3,355</						



	Actual Figures.				
	Cash Reserve in Vault.	Reserve in Depositories	Total Reserve.	Reserve Required.	Surplus Reserve.
Members Federal Reserve banks.....	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
State banks*.....	10,521,000	562,309,000	562,309,000	532,211,380	30,097,620
Trust companies*.....	1,966,000	5,935,000	16,690,000	16,245,360	444,640
Total May 1.....	12,487,000	574,413,000	586,900,000	556,060,840	30,839,160
Total April 24.....	12,252,000	574,418,000	586,670,000	551,118,290	35,551,710
Total April 17.....	12,602,000	570,969,000	583,571,000	559,886,410	23,684,590
Total April 10.....	13,188,000	552,868,000	566,056,000	554,278,900	11,777,100

\* Not members of Federal Reserve Bank.  
 a This is the reserve required on net demand deposits in the case of State banks and trust companies, but in the case of members of the Federal Reserve banks includes also amount of reserve required on net time deposits, which was as follows: May 1, \$6,468,210; April 24, \$6,446,490; April 17, \$6,481,140; April 10, \$6,494,820.  
 b This is the reserve required on net demand deposits in the case of State banks and trust companies, but in the case of members of the Federal Reserve Bank includes also amount of reserve required on net time deposits, which was as follows: May 1, \$6,446,790; April 24, \$6,479,940; April 17, \$6,432,240; April 10, \$6,490,410.

**State Banks and Trust Companies Not in Clearing House.**—The State Banking Department reports weekly figures showing the condition of State banks and trust companies in New York City not in the Clearing House, as follows:

**SUMMARY OF STATE BANKS AND TRUST COMPANIES IN GREATER NEW YORK, NOT INCLUDED IN CLEARING HOUSE STATEMENT.**  
 (Figures Furnished by State Banking Department.)

	May 1.	Differences from previous week.
Loans and investments.....	\$787,918,600	Dec. \$814,400
Specie.....	8,206,800	Inc. 161,900
Currency and bank notes.....	18,323,400	Dec. 149,100
Deposits with Federal Reserve Bank of New York.....	76,355,200	Dec. 1,436,100
Total deposits.....	864,586,400	Dec. 7,374,500
Deposits, eliminating amounts due from reserve depositories, and from other banks and trust companies in N. Y. City, exchanges and U. S. deposits	816,175,100	Dec. 3,448,500
Reserve on deposits.....	141,168,300	Dec. 5,041,300
Percentage of reserve, 19.4%.		

**RESERVE.**

	State Banks	Trust Companies
Cash in vaults.....	\$25,581,700 15.03%	\$77,304,200 13.95%
Deposits in banks and trust cos.....	12,235,300 7.19%	26,047,100 4.69%
Total.....	\$37,817,000 22.22%	\$103,351,300 18.64%

**Banks and Trust Companies in New York City.**—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, are as follows:

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

Week ended—	Loans and Investments.	Demand Deposits.	*Total Cash in Vault.	Reserve in Depositories.
Dec. 27.....	\$ 6,002,477,800	\$ 4,874,397,000	\$ 152,867,900	\$ 606,641,800
Jan. 3.....	6,085,367,900	4,978,225,000	147,113,100	729,999,100
Jan. 10.....	6,190,394,500	4,997,475,100	150,519,400	664,736,800
Jan. 17.....	6,148,908,100	4,946,748,500	136,692,800	703,777,800
Jan. 24.....	6,091,136,800	4,979,339,100	135,734,500	671,113,200
Jan. 31.....	6,027,329,800	4,930,832,900	130,482,500	675,721,600
Feb. 7.....	6,009,316,400	4,959,253,200	134,356,100	682,179,300
Feb. 14.....	5,932,509,000	4,922,639,900	133,651,200	667,361,800
Feb. 21.....	5,887,539,200	4,883,820,600	135,817,600	642,654,000
Feb. 28.....	5,871,844,300	4,837,357,300	136,837,300	673,921,100
Mar. 6.....	5,871,656,000	4,881,252,700	137,477,500	647,225,300
Mar. 13.....	5,890,723,400	4,883,906,000	137,498,800	679,329,400
Mar. 20.....	5,891,763,200	4,990,480,100	134,062,200	649,253,400
Mar. 27.....	5,884,537,500	4,915,902,800	132,585,200	679,267,600
April 3.....	5,934,438,800	4,997,072,300	129,262,500	688,403,300
April 10.....	5,946,884,600	4,997,453,900	134,487,200	729,909,700
April 17.....	5,959,998,300	5,015,732,100	129,740,800	694,405,700
April 24.....	5,970,588,000	5,007,452,600	131,772,400	694,100,200
May 1.....	5,929,163,600	4,965,687,100	126,207,200	689,051,100

\* This item includes gold, silver, legal tenders, national bank notes and Federal Reserve notes.

**New York City State Banks and Trust Companies.**—In addition to the returns of "State banks and trust companies in New York City not in the Clearing House," furnished by the State Banking Department, the Department also presents a statement covering all the institutions of this class in the City of New York.

For definitions and rules under which the various items are made up, see "Chronicle," V. 98, p. 1661.  
 The provisions of the law governing the reserve requirements of State banking institutions as amended May 22 1917 were published in the "Chronicle" May 19 1917 (V. 104, p. 1975). The regulations relating to calculating the amount of deposits and what deductions are permitted in the computation of the reserves were given in the "Chronicle" April 4 1914 (V. 98, p. 1045).

**Member Banks of the Federal Reserve System.**—Following is the weekly statement issued by the Federal Reserve Board giving the principal items of the resources and liabilities of the Member Banks. Definitions of the different items in the statement were given in the statement of Dec. 14 1917, published in the "Chronicle" Dec. 29 1917, page 2523.

**STATEMENT SHOWING PRINCIPAL RESOURCES AND LIABILITY ITEMS OF MEMBER BANKS LOCATED IN CENTRAL RESERVE AND OTHER SELECTED CITIES AS AT CLOSE OF BUSINESS APRIL 23 1920**

Heavy withdrawals of deposits from reporting banks, apparently in response to the spring demand for funds in country districts, accompanied by substantial liquidation of loans and investments and increased borrowings from the Federal Reserve Banks, are indicated by the Federal Reserve Board's statement of condition on April 23 of 811 member banks in leading cities.

Holdings of U. S. bonds declined by about 8 millions, while Victory notes on hand increased by 4.5 millions. Treasury certificate holdings show a decline of 51.4 millions, largely in New York City banks, loans secured by Government war obligations—a decline of 27.7 millions, and loans secured by stocks and bonds—a decline of 31.9 millions, also largely for the member banks in New York City. All other loans and investments were 14.2 millions larger than the week before. As a consequence of these changes, total

**STATE BANKS AND TRUST COMPANIES IN NEW YORK CITY.**

Week Ended May 1 1920.	State Banks.		Trust Companies.	
	May 1 1920.	Differences from previous week.	May 1 1920.	Differences from previous week.
Capital as of Feb. 28	\$ 28,600,000	-----	\$ 116,700,000	-----
Surplus as of Feb. 28	52,703,000	-----	179,589,000	-----
Loans & investments.	750,751,000 Inc.	4,329,900	2,003,560,400 Dec.	21,137,100
Specie.....	6,289,700 Inc.	174,900	11,130,800 Inc.	27,300
Currency & bk. notes	31,910,200 Dec.	104,700	19,467,200 Dec.	1,900
Deposits with the F. R. Bank of N. Y. ....	72,092,800 Inc.	543,700	213,923,700 Inc.	61,200
Reserve on deposits.....	904,255,000 Dec.	7,767,200	2,109,511,600 Dec.	16,413,800
Reserve on deposits.....	113,115,500 Inc.	390,900	284,259,500 Dec.	6,130,200
P. C. reserve to dep.....	19.2%	Same	16.6%	Dec. 0.5%

**Non-Member Banks and Trust Companies.**—Following is the report made to the Clearing House by clearing non-member institutions which are not included in the "Clearing House Return" on the following page:

**RETURN OF NON-MEMBER INSTITUTIONS OF NEW YORK CLEARING HOUSE.**  
 (Stated in thousands of dollars—that is, three ciphers (000) omitted.)

CLEARING NON-MEMBERS	Capital.	Net Profits.	Loans, Dis-counts, Invest-ments, &c.	Cash in Vault.	Reserve with Legal Depos-itories.	Net Demand De-posits.	Net Time De-posits.	Nat'l Bank Cir-culation.
Members of Fed'l Res. Bank.	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Battery Park Nat.	1,500	1,554	16,498	241	2,016	12,147	80	191
Mutual Bank.....	200	691	11,857	223	1,748	12,351	315	-----
New Netherland.....	600	675	11,709	207	1,225	8,184	241	-----
W R Grace & Co.....	500	1,017	3,901	21	515	3,444	554	-----
Yorkville Bank.....	200	670	13,560	358	1,257	7,476	6,277	-----
First Nat Bk, Jer C	400	1,346	8,970	564	966	6,866	-----	389
Total.....	3,400	5,957	66,495	1,614	7,727	50,468	7,477	580
State Banks Not Members of the Fed'l Reserve Bank.								
Bank of Wash Hts.	100	444	3,467	430	205	3,421	-----	-----
Colonial Bank.....	600	1,332	18,872	1,958	1,279	16,119	-----	-----
International Bank	500	337	6,442	760	509	6,308	356	-----
Total.....	1,200	2,113	24,781	3,148	1,993	25,848	356	-----
Trust Companies Not Members of the Fed'l Reserve Bank.								
Hamilton Tr, Bkin	500	1,023	9,364	619	386	7,729	942	-----
Mechanics Tr, Bay	200	437	9,900	318	459	5,098	4,770	-----
Total.....	700	1,461	19,264	937	845	12,827	5,712	-----
Grand aggregate.....	5,300	9,532	110,540	5,699	10,565	a89,143	13,545	580
Comparison previous week.....	-----	-----	-433	-2	+6	-265	-41	-3
Gr'd aggr April 24	5,300	9,532	110,973	5,701	10,559	89,408	13,586	583
Gr'd aggr April 17	5,500	9,300	111,763	5,835	10,699	90,612	13,537	570
Gr'd aggr April 10	5,500	9,633	111,658	5,935	10,963	89,979	13,654	594
Gr'd aggr April 3	5,500	9,633	116,612	6,607	10,399	93,430	14,236	585

a U. S. deposits deducted, \$509,000.  
 Bills payable, rediscounts, acceptances and other liabilities, \$10,957,000.  
 Excess reserve, \$61,530 decrease.

**Philadelphia Banks.**—The Philadelphia Clearing House statement for the week ending May 1, with comparative figures for the two weeks preceding, is as follows. Reserve requirements for members of the Federal Reserve system are 10% on demand deposits and 3% on time deposits, all to be kept with the Federal Reserve Bank. "Cash in vaults" is not a part of legal reserve. For trust companies not members of the Federal Reserve system the reserve required is 15% on demand deposits and includes "Reserve with legal depositories" and "Cash in vaults."

Two ciphers (00) omitted.	Week ending May 1 1920.			April 24 1920.	April 17 1920.
	Members of F. R. System.	Trust Companies	Total.		
Capital.....	\$32,975.0	\$4,000.0	\$36,975.0	\$36,975.0	\$36,975.0
Surplus and profits.....	87,484.0	11,536.0	99,020.0	98,993.0	98,993.0
Loans, disc'ts & investm'ts.	763,733.0	34,777.0	798,510.0	805,057.0	820,724.0
Exchanges for Clear. House.	28,516.0	587.0	29,103.0	28,714.0	30,552.0
Due from banks.....	117,169.0	15.0	117,184.0	123,791.0	132,658.0
Bank deposits.....	129,247.0	243.0	129,490.0	133,881.0	141,244.0
Individual deposits.....	515,115.0	21,232.0	536,347.0	544,520.0	553,104.0
Time deposits.....	7,171.0	314.0	7,485.0	7,552.0	7,118.0
Total deposits.....	651,553.0	21,789.0	673,342.0	685,953.0	701,466.0
U. S. deposits (not included)	-----	6,138.0	7,646.0	8,712.0	-----
Reserve with Fed. Res. Bank	52,247.0	-----	52,247.0	51,777.0	53,120.0
Reserve with legal depositories.	-----	3,129.0	3,129.0	3,215.0	3,231.0
Cash in vault.....	12,545.0	921.0	13,466.0	13,809.0	13,858.0
Total reserve and cash held.	64,792.0	4,050.0	68,842.0	68,801.0	70,215.0
Reserve required.....	50,082.0	3,145.0	53,227.0	53,860.0	54,384.0
Excess res. & cash in vault.....	14,710.0	905.0	15,615.0	14,941.0	15,831.0

\* Cash in vault is not counted as reserve for Federal Reserve Bank members.



1. Data for all reporting banks in each district. Three ciphers (000) omitted.

Three ciphers (000) omitted.	Boston.	New York	Philadel.	Cleveland.	Richm'd.	Atlanta.	Chicago.	St. Louis.	Minneapolis.	Kan. City	Dallas.	San Fran.	Total.
Number of reporting banks.....	46	116	57	92	82	47	107	35	35	83	44	67	811
U. S. bonds to secure circulation.....	13,061	47,498	11,347	41,874	27,223	14,015	21,397	16,926	7,221	15,053	19,573	34,605	269,793
Other U. S., incl. Liberty bonds.....	13,948	227,668	29,026	59,478	34,169	29,102	65,133	14,272	10,297	23,319	17,855	60,933	585,200
U. S. Victory notes.....	7,641	87,458	9,427	19,861	8,431	6,384	36,278	3,054	2,085	5,397	3,508	12,792	202,316
U. S. certificates of indebtedness.....	37,407	300,758	59,554	31,410	18,918	19,536	73,847	14,405	11,091	7,974	18,724	36,494	630,118
Total U. S. securities.....	72,057	663,382	109,354	152,623	88,741	69,037	196,655	48,657	30,694	51,743	59,660	144,824	1,687,427
Loans and investments, including bills rediscounted with F. R. and other banks:													
Loans sec. by U. S. war obligation.....	60,944	543,198	118,566	87,532	36,928	26,972	110,866	40,478	19,893	24,753	10,765	31,731	1,112,626
Loans sec. by stocks and bonds.....	191,607	1,334,930	205,435	342,743	108,750	63,449	453,301	156,756	30,911	80,499	33,328	145,882	3,147,591
All other loans and investments.....	757,250	3,886,909	585,067	890,457	386,271	408,976	1,776,482	409,107	307,627	544,530	256,820	929,138	11,138,634
Total loans and investments incl. rediscounts with F. R. Bank.....	1,081,858	6,428,419	1,018,422	1,473,355	620,690	568,434	2,537,304	654,998	389,125	701,525	300,573	1,251,575	17,086,278
Reserve balances with F. R. Bank.....	86,353	693,003	67,422	92,480	35,907	33,225	195,358	43,163	23,062	42,423	25,397	75,555	1,413,648
Cash in vault.....	24,376	121,146	16,971	32,758	18,820	13,780	67,928	9,978	8,692	14,957	11,612	26,913	367,831
Net demand deposits.....	801,123	5,194,865	665,827	857,925	352,201	287,190	1,412,233	338,504	229,815	435,499	237,166	610,422	11,422,770
Time deposits.....	137,610	421,914	26,700	361,600	103,143	149,782	614,631	122,569	64,002	96,701	44,964	478,024	2,621,640
Government deposits.....	13,490	108,547	8,585	7,331	3,152	4,299	6,779	3,776	1,282	1,458	2,580	9,543	170,822
Bills payable with F. R. Bank:													
Secured by U. S. war obligations.....	29,344	380,235	101,566	41,735	47,880	41,263	112,632	30,655	14,394	25,738	28,614	35,039	889,095
All other.....					610			2,232	727	735		85	4,389
Bills rediscounted with F. R. Bank:													
Secured by U. S. war obligations.....	26,327	152,891	56,800	15,894	7,643	5,631	13,009	11,877	4,990	5,551	1,234	3,141	304,988
All other.....	60,762	175,554	29,509	50,285	28,759	39,591	260,870	71,607	45,858	67,643	16,899	54,723	902,060

2. Data for Banks in Federal Reserve Bank and Branch Cities and All Other Reporting Banks.

Three ciphers (000) omitted.	New York.		Chicago.		All F.R. Bank Cities.		F. R. Branch Cities.		All Other Reporting Banks.		Total.		
	April 23.	April 16.	April 23.	April 16.	April 23.	April 16.	April 23.	April 16.	April 23.	April 16.	April 23.	April 16.	Apr 25 '19
Number of reporting banks.....	72	73	50	50	277	278	198	197	336	336	811	811	772
U. S. bonds to secure circulation.....	37,801	37,551	1,438	1,433	100,212	99,931	70,803	70,803	98,778	98,462	269,793	269,196	268,823
Other U. S. bonds, incl. Lib. bds.....	195,012	202,077	30,325	29,875	321,186	327,717	144,293	144,866	119,721	121,200	585,200	593,783	657,697
U. S. Victory notes.....	76,667	70,671	13,195	13,727	108,725	104,131	50,536	51,406	43,055	42,183	202,316	197,770	197,770
U. S. certificates of indebtedness.....	283,012	332,344	31,592	34,756	458,774	505,498	105,257	109,035	66,037	66,973	630,118	681,506	2,046,358
Total U. S. securities.....	592,492	642,643	76,550	79,796	988,897	1,037,327	370,889	376,110	327,641	328,818	1,687,427	1,742,255	2,972,878
Loans and investments, including bills rediscounted with F. R. banks:													
Loans sec. by U. S. war oblig.....	511,463	520,052	75,871	79,618	857,524	887,645	144,966	139,707	110,136	112,965	1,112,626	1,140,317	1,099,898
Loans sec. by stocks and bonds.....	1,172,721	1,204,500	332,775	343,660	2,224,717	2,265,975	490,357	484,774	432,517	428,703	3,147,591	3,179,452	3,179,452
All other loans and investments.....	3,427,407	3,416,113	1,075,206	1,074,416	7,091,766	7,083,637	2,160,087	2,150,894	1,886,781	1,889,918	11,138,634	11,124,449	-----
Total loans & investments, incl. rediscounts with F. R. banks:	5,704,083	5,783,308	1,560,402	1,577,490	11,162,904	11,274,584	3,166,299	3,151,485	2,757,075	2,760,404	17,086,278	17,186,473	14,581,778
Reserve balances with F. R. bank.....	646,849	646,899	140,120	137,413	1,046,602	1,048,796	200,805	216,893	166,241	171,429	1,413,648	1,437,118	1,288,044
Cash in vault.....	108,742	104,560	39,324	37,996	209,341	209,963	72,981	74,188	85,509	86,316	367,831	370,467	353,173
Net demand deposits.....	4,680,133	4,791,592	963,902	967,064	7,953,521	8,124,497	1,745,639	1,797,689	1,723,610	1,760,567	11,422,770	11,682,753	10,209,754
Time deposits.....	300,889	299,193	275,462	273,616	1,173,243	1,167,317	872,210	865,200	576,187	575,986	2,621,640	2,608,503	1,717,842
Government deposits.....	105,775	125,883	3,632	3,206	146,381	165,667	13,490	12,018	10,951	12,164	170,822	189,849	525,735
Bills payable with F. R. Bank:													
Secured by U. S. war obligations.....	342,738	315,400	53,350	52,881	618,006	589,733	164,693	184,184	106,396	103,659	889,095	877,576	1,164,126
All other.....					477	1,300	3,052	4,599	860	750	4,389	6,649	-----
Bills rediscounted with F. R. Bank:													
Secured by U. S. war obligations.....	149,218	156,762	6,659	7,690	256,431	271,651	31,048	23,349	17,509	17,723	304,988	312,723	244,995
All other.....	158,844	163,150	205,026	197,021	658,359	632,704	137,397	123,430	106,304	100,322	902,060	856,456	-----
Ratio of U. S. war securities and war paper to total loans and investments, per cent.....	18.7	19.4	9.7	10.0	15.6	16.2	14.1	14.1	12.3	12.4	14.8	15.2	-----

\* Exclusive of rediscounts with Federal Reserve banks.

The Federal Reserve Banks.—Following is the weekly statement issued by the Federal Reserve Board on April 30:

Further increases of 16.5 millions in bills secured by Government war obligations and of 40.4 millions in other discounted bills are indicated in the Federal Reserve Board's weekly bank statement, issued as at close of business on April 30 1920. Federal Reserve note circulation, for the first time since April 9, shows an increase of 6.3 millions, while the Banks' cash reserves declined by 12.8 millions. As a consequence of these changes, the reserve ratio shows a further decline from 43 to 42.4 per cent. Holdings of acceptances purchased in the open market show an increase of 2.6 millions, while Treasury certificates holding show a nominal decline of 0.9 million. Total earning assets were about 59 millions larger than the week before. Of the total of 1,465.3 millions of loans secured by Government war obligations, 690.9 millions or 47.1%, were secured by Liberty bonds, 295.6 millions, or 20.2%, by Victory notes, and 478.9 millions, or 32.7%, by Treasury certificates, as against 46.7, 20.2 and 33.1% of a total of 1,448.8 millions of loans secured by Government obligations reported the week before. Discounted paper held by the Boston, New York and Cleveland

banks is inclusive of 149.6 millions of paper discounted for the Philadelphia, Richmond, Chicago, St. Louis, Minneapolis, Kansas City and Dallas banks, while acceptances held at present by New York, Cleveland, and San Francisco banks comprise 18.1 millions of bills acquired from the New York, St. Louis and San Francisco banks. Government deposits declined by 5.2 millions, members' reserve deposits increased by 3.8 millions, other deposits, including foreign Government credits, increased by 2.1 millions, and the "float" carried by the Reserve banks and treated as a deduction from gross deposits was 38.5 millions less than the week before. Net deposits figure out at 39.1 millions above last week's figure. The banks' aggregate liabilities on Federal Reserve Bank notes show a further decline of 2.8 millions. Gold reserves, as a result of further withdrawals for export, show a decline of about 13 millions, while other cash reserves increased by the nominal amount of 0.2 millions. An increase of \$275,000 in capital account is due largely to increases in capital and surplus of member banks in several of the Federal Reserve districts.

COMBINED RESOURCES AND LIABILITIES OF THE FEDERAL RESERVE BANKS AT THE CLOSE OF BUSINESS APRIL 30 1920.

	Apr. 30 1920.	Apr. 23 1920.	Apr. 16 1920.	Apr. 9 1920	April 2 1920.	Mar. 26 1920.	Mar. 19 '20.	Mar. 12 1920.	May 2 1919.
<b>RESOURCES.</b>									
Gold coin and certificates.....	174,561,000	185,654,000	189,229,000	183,117,000	171,585,000	154,237,000	159,660,000	169,978,000	346,707,000
Gold settlement fund, F. R. Board.....	376,003,000	374,380,000	360,088,000	368,724,000	379,558,000	363,132,000	388,271,000	391,649,000	600,989,000
Gold with foreign agencies.....	112,781,000	112,781,000	112,781,000	112,781,000	112,781,000	112,781,000	112,781,000	112,781,000	-----
Total gold held by banks.....	663,345,000	672,815,000	662,098,000	664,622,000	663,924,000	630,150,000	660,712,000	674,408,000	947,696,000
Gold with Federal Reserve agents.....	1,137,928,000	1,150,658,000	1,170,313,000	1,173,125,000	1,169,137,000	1,186,829,000	1,161,695,000	1,142,576,000	1,104,699,000
Gold redemption fund.....	135,447,000	126,220,000	122,883,000	119,743,000	117,198,000	117,776,000	112,174,000	119,380,000	114,223,000
Total gold reserves.....	1,936,720,000	1,949,693,000	1,955,294,000	1,957,490,000	1,950,259,000	1,934,755,000	1,934,581,000	1,936,364,000	2,166,618,000
Legal tender notes, silver, &c.....	134,045,000	133,875,000	132,437,000	132,816,000	130,169,000	122,400,000	125,745,000	120,366,000	70,601,000
Total reserves.....	2,070,765,000	2,083,568,000	2,087,731,000	2,090,306,000	2,080,428,000	2,057,155,000	2,060,326,000	2,056,730,000	2,237,219,000
Bills discounted:									
Secured by Govt. war obligations.....	1,465,320,000	1,448,804,000	1,430,888,000	1,410,069,000	1,400,664,000	1,441,015,000	1,353,509,000	1,515,959,000	1,788,068,000
All other.....	1,069,751,000	1,029,378,000	980,303,000	957,469,000	999,849,000	1,008,215,000	854,172,000	907,487,000	178,715,000
Bills bought in open market.....	407,247,000	404,672,000	416,784,000	422,241,000	424,041,000	451,879,000	463,232,000	504,172,000	195,284,000
Total bills on hand.....	2,942,318,000	2,882,854,000	2,827,975,000	2,789,779,000	2,824,554,000	2,901,109,000	2,670,913,000	2,927,618,000	2,162,067,000
U. S. Government bonds.....	26,797,000	26,797,000	26,799,000	26,798,000	26,799,000	26,798,000	26,797,000	26,775,000	27,132,000
U. S. Victory Notes.....	68,000	68,000	68,000	68,000	68,000	68,000	68,000	68,000	68,000
U. S. certificates of indebtedness.....	266,649,000	267,066,000	303,728,000	339,919,000	345,550,000	263,056,000	47,119,000	287,461,000	194,262,000
All other earning assets.....	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
Total earning assets.....	3,235,832,000	3,176,785,000	3,158,570,000	3,156,564,000	3,196,970,000	3,191,031,000	3,104,897,000		



	Apr. 30 1920	Apr. 23 1920	Apr. 16 1920	Apr. 9 '20	Apr. 4 1920	Mar. 26 1920	Mar. 19 1920	Mar. 12 1920	May 2 1919
Ratio of gold reserves to net deposit and F. R. note liabilities combined	39.6%	40.3%	40.5%	40.4%	40.2%	40.1%	40.9%	40.0%	50.1%
Ratio of total reserves to net deposit and F. R. note liabilities combined	42.4%	43.0%	43.3%	43.3%	42.9%	42.7%	43.5%	42.5%	51.7%
Ratio of total reserves to F. R. notes in circulation after setting aside 35% against net deposit liabilities	46.7%	47.7%	48.0%	48.0%	47.4%	47.1%	48.3%	47.0%	63.4%
<b>Distribution by Maturities—</b>									
1-15 days bills bought in open market	\$ 90,738,000	\$ 81,946,000	\$ 99,822,000	\$ 98,706,000	\$ 103,750,000	\$ 127,119,000	\$ 137,609,000	\$ 133,489,000	\$ 64,796,000
1-15 days bills discounted	1,496,952,000	1,439,306,000	1,447,603,000	1,423,906,000	1,391,720,000	1,425,695,000	1,273,870,000	1,499,623,000	1,677,868,000
1-15 days U. S. certif. of indebtedness	5,537,000	5,806,000	42,766,000	78,676,000	85,596,000	4,876,000	149,461,666	10,131,000	29,234,000
1-15 days municipal warrants	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
16-30 days bills bought in open market	82,862,000	89,724,000	80,165,000	73,770,000	85,246,000	88,629,000	80,871,000	102,348,000	49,955,000
16-30 days bills discounted	292,992,000	285,414,000	244,362,000	201,490,000	235,060,000	294,355,000	237,731,000	207,639,000	58,491,000
16-30 days U. S. certif. of indebtedness	1,500,000	2,000,000	1,000,000	3,500,000	2,500,000	4,300,000	3,500,000	2,000,000	68,000
16-30 days municipal warrants	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
31-60 days bills bought in open market	171,583,000	174,089,000	177,480,000	185,719,000	171,259,000	171,711,000	178,535,000	180,533,000	53,034,000
31-60 days bills discounted	423,922,000	424,217,000	464,532,000	492,013,000	514,251,000	464,333,000	471,517,000	453,624,000	84,453,000
31-60 days U. S. certif. of indebtedness	6,998,000	5,798,000	5,747,000	3,540,000	5,500,000	4,700,000	3,500,000	7,000,000	7,017,000
31-60 days municipal warrants	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
61-90 days bills bought in open market	61,864,000	59,013,000	59,317,000	64,046,000	63,786,000	64,420,000	66,226,000	67,792,000	27,499,000
61-90 days bills discounted	312,610,000	297,875,000	228,719,000	228,436,000	238,214,000	245,221,000	207,765,000	246,527,000	120,066,000
61-90 days U. S. certif. of indebtedness	12,772,000	13,128,000	8,245,000	10,614,000	5,882,000	4,097,000	4,743,000	3,540,000	101,000
61-90 days municipal warrants	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Over 90 days bills bought in open market	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Over 90 days bills discounted	38,595,000	31,370,000	25,975,000	24,134,000	21,268,000	19,626,000	16,798,000	16,333,000	25,905,000
Over 90 days certif. of indebtedness	239,842,000	240,334,000	245,970,000	243,689,000	246,072,000	245,083,000	245,915,000	244,790,000	157,842,000
Over 90 days municipal warrants	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
<b>Federal Reserve Notes—</b>									
Outstanding	3,326,186,000	3,335,140,000	3,326,948,000	3,327,614,000	3,307,064,000	3,289,312,000	3,292,819,000	3,281,343,000	2,731,274,000
Held by banks	251,631,000	266,833,000	253,255,000	247,397,000	229,741,000	241,273,000	245,686,000	241,593,000	182,234,000
<b>In actual circulation</b>	<b>3,074,555,000</b>	<b>3,068,307,000</b>	<b>3,073,693,000</b>	<b>3,080,217,000</b>	<b>3,077,323,000</b>	<b>3,048,039,000</b>	<b>3,047,133,000</b>	<b>3,039,750,000</b>	<b>2,549,040,000</b>
<b>Fed. Res. Notes (Agents Accounts)—</b>									
Received from the Comptroller	6,784,980,000	6,750,940,000	6,711,320,000	6,657,640,000	6,621,220,000	6,584,660,000	6,557,790,000	6,535,360,000	4,390,120,000
Returned to the Comptroller	3,044,425,000	3,013,121,000	2,982,243,000	2,959,248,000	2,932,397,000	2,912,649,000	2,891,492,000	2,868,248,000	1,241,901,000
<b>Amount chargeable to Fed. Res. agent in hands of Federal Reserve Agent</b>	<b>3,740,555,000</b>	<b>3,737,819,000</b>	<b>3,729,077,000</b>	<b>3,698,392,000</b>	<b>3,688,823,000</b>	<b>3,672,011,000</b>	<b>3,666,268,000</b>	<b>3,667,112,000</b>	<b>3,148,219,000</b>
<b>Issued to Federal Reserve banks</b>	<b>3,326,186,000</b>	<b>3,335,140,000</b>	<b>3,326,948,000</b>	<b>3,327,614,000</b>	<b>3,307,064,000</b>	<b>3,289,312,000</b>	<b>3,292,819,000</b>	<b>3,281,343,000</b>	<b>2,731,274,000</b>
<b>How Secured—</b>									
By gold coin and certificates	255,032,000	253,931,000	253,031,000	254,531,000	254,901,000	254,621,000	251,051,000	250,151,000	230,498,000
By lawful money	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
By eligible paper	2,188,258,000	2,184,482,000	2,156,635,000	2,154,489,000	2,137,927,000	2,102,483,000	2,131,124,000	2,138,767,000	1,626,575,000
Gold redemption fund	97,417,000	102,190,000	110,884,000	112,194,000	97,766,000	104,227,000	98,662,000	99,672,000	84,094,000
With Federal Reserve Board	785,479,000	794,537,000	806,398,000	806,400,000	816,470,000	827,981,000	811,982,000	792,753,000	790,107,000
<b>Total</b>	<b>3,326,186,000</b>	<b>3,335,140,000</b>	<b>3,326,948,000</b>	<b>3,327,614,000</b>	<b>3,307,064,000</b>	<b>3,289,312,000</b>	<b>3,292,819,000</b>	<b>3,281,343,000</b>	<b>2,731,274,000</b>
Eligible paper delivered to F. R. Agent	2,853,705,000	2,815,094,000	2,748,776,000	2,715,965,000	2,748,071,000	2,837,877,000	2,611,443,000	2,873,394,000	2,069,765,000

WEEKLY STATEMENT OF RESOURCES AND LIABILITIES OF EACH OF THE 12 FEDERAL RESERVE BANKS AT CLOSE OF BUSINESS APRIL 30 1920

Two others (00) omitted.	Boston	New York	Phila.	Cleveland	Richmond	Atlanta	Chicago	St. Louis	Minneapolis	Kan. City	Dallas	San Fran.	Total
<b>RESOURCES.</b>													
Gold coin and certificates	11,588,000	83,532,000	1,049,000	10,331,000	2,299,000	8,989,000	24,346,000	3,940,000	7,262,000	566,000	8,196,000	12,463,000	174,561,000
Gold Settlement Fund, F. R. B'd	34,787,000	63,545,000	29,365,000	59,778,000	19,846,000	8,521,000	70,580,000	9,762,000	5,749,000	28,688,000	6,528,000	38,584,000	376,003,000
Gold with Foreign Agencies	8,233,000	41,390,000	9,023,000	9,248,000	5,526,000	4,062,000	13,421,000	5,301,000	3,045,000	4,133,000	2,933,000	5,188,000	112,781,000
<b>Total gold held by banks</b>	<b>54,608,000</b>	<b>188,467,000</b>	<b>39,437,000</b>	<b>79,357,000</b>	<b>27,671,000</b>	<b>21,570,000</b>	<b>108,347,000</b>	<b>19,003,000</b>	<b>16,056,000</b>	<b>34,667,000</b>	<b>17,657,000</b>	<b>56,505,000</b>	<b>663,345,000</b>
Gold with Federal Reserve agents	119,072,000	317,217,000	87,503,000	142,813,000	40,914,000	54,521,000	160,315,000	44,399,000	33,487,000	34,646,000	27,541,000	75,500,000	1,137,928,000
Gold redemption fund	19,218,000	26,986,000	11,529,000	1,439,000	6,899,000	5,767,000	30,104,000	8,070,000	5,352,000	4,195,000	4,195,000	10,278,000	135,447,000
<b>Total gold reserves</b>	<b>192,898,000</b>	<b>532,670,000</b>	<b>138,469,000</b>	<b>223,609,000</b>	<b>75,484,000</b>	<b>81,858,000</b>	<b>303,766,000</b>	<b>71,472,000</b>	<b>50,153,000</b>	<b>74,665,000</b>	<b>49,393,000</b>	<b>142,283,000</b>	<b>1,936,720,000</b>
Legal tender notes, silver, &c.	6,949,000	106,328,000	704,000	1,424,000	431,000	1,634,000	8,766,000	5,125,000	70,000	1,169,000	844,000	601,000	134,045,000
<b>Total reserves</b>	<b>199,847,000</b>	<b>638,998,000</b>	<b>139,173,000</b>	<b>225,033,000</b>	<b>75,915,000</b>	<b>83,492,000</b>	<b>312,532,000</b>	<b>76,597,000</b>	<b>50,223,000</b>	<b>75,834,000</b>	<b>50,237,000</b>	<b>142,884,000</b>	<b>2,070,765,000</b>
Bills discounted: Secured by Government war obligations (a)	88,881,000	634,781,000	181,822,000	111,081,000	55,984,000	60,592,000	137,491,000	57,889,000	15,758,000	26,536,000	41,684,000	52,821,000	1,465,320,000
All other	68,204,000	221,995,000	27,374,000	64,628,000	33,878,000	53,615,000	287,406,000	53,174,000	59,601,000	84,089,000	31,868,000	78,919,000	1,069,751,000
Bills bought in open market (b)	28,583,000	160,431,000	2,842,000	56,312,000	11,508,000	7,330,000	54,150,000	2,695,000	6,237,000	461,000	1,968,000	74,730,000	407,247,000
<b>Total bills on hand</b>	<b>185,668,000</b>	<b>1,017,207,000</b>	<b>212,038,000</b>	<b>232,021,000</b>	<b>106,370,000</b>	<b>121,537,000</b>	<b>479,047,000</b>	<b>113,758,000</b>	<b>81,596,000</b>	<b>111,086,000</b>	<b>75,520,000</b>	<b>206,470,000</b>	<b>2,942,318,000</b>
U. S. Government bonds	561,000	1,457,000	1,386,000	834,000	1,235,000	114,000	4,477,000	1,153,000	115,000	8,867,000	3,966,000	2,632,000	26,797,000
U. S. Government Victory bonds	5.00	5.00	—	10.00	—	3.00	—	—	—	—	—	—	68.00
U. S. certificates of indebtedness	21,564,000	65,389,000	30,739,000	23,368,000	12,260,000	15,666,000	39,637,000	17,229,000	8,496,000	13,120,000	8,300,000	10,881,000	266,649,000
<b>Total earning assets</b>	<b>207,798,000</b>	<b>1,094,103,000</b>	<b>244,163,000</b>	<b>256,233,000</b>	<b>119,865,000</b>	<b>137,320,000</b>	<b>523,161,000</b>	<b>132,140,000</b>	<b>90,207,000</b>	<b>133,073,000</b>	<b>87,786,000</b>	<b>219,983,000</b>	<b>3,235,832,000</b>
Bank premises	1,202,000	3,268,000	500,000	1,156,000	640,000	564,000	2,116,000	866,000	530,000	522,000	774,000	231,000	12,369,000
Uncollected items and other deductions from gross deposits	54,483,000	143,851,000	56,611,000	63,697,000	50,860,000	30,658,000	100,165,000	44,108,000	21,363,000	59,586,000	51,982,000	35,989,000	713,353,000
5% redemption fund against Federal Reserve bank notes	1,140,000	3,072,000	1,300,000	831,000	451,000	495,000	1,480,000	523,000	576,000	996,000	562,000	665,000	12,091,000
All other resources	378,000	880,000	466,000	320,000	320,000	171,000	2,206,000	350,000	112,000	285,000	210,000	359,000	6,057,000
<b>Total resources</b>	<b>464,848,000</b>	<b>1,874,172,000</b>	<b>442,213,000</b>	<b>547,270,000</b>	<b>248,051,000</b>	<b>252,700,000</b>	<b>941,660,000</b>	<b>254,584,000</b>	<b>163,011,000</b>	<b>270,296,000</b>	<b>191,551,000</b>	<b>400,111,000</b>	<b>6,050,467,000</b>
<b>LIABILITIES.</b>													
Capital paid in	7,229,000	23,762,000	8,198,000	9,947,000	4,778,000	3,685,000	12,754,000	4,169,000	3,243,000	4,214,000	3,622,000	6,038,000	91,639,000
Surplus	8,359,000	45,082,000	8,805,000	9,098,000	5,820,000	4,995,000	14,292,000	3,724,000	3,				



Bankers' Gazette.

Wall Street, Friday Night, May 7 1920.

Railroad and Miscellaneous Stocks.—The stock market has been decidedly quiet this week, when compared with its recent record, both as to volume of business and the fluctuation of prices.

The latter movement has doubtless been fostered by an easier money market and a relatively steady foreign exchange situation; but more perhaps by a persistent feeling that the steady advance in commodity prices, in other words "the high cost of living" has about reached a climax.

To-day's market has been dull and reactionary notwithstanding which the entire list of active shares closes with a net advance for the week, averaging from 1 to 5 points or more.

The following sales have occurred this week of shares not represented in our detailed list on the pages which follow:

Table with columns: STOCKS, Week ending May 7, Sales for Week, Range for Week (Lowest, Highest), Range since Jan. 1 (Lowest, Highest). Lists various stocks like American Express, Am Safety Razor, etc.

State and Railroad Bonds.—Sales of State bonds at the Board include \$13,000 New York 4 1/2s at 100 and \$2,000 Virginia 6s deferred trust receipts at 54 1/2.

The market for railway and miscellaneous bonds has been decidedly firmer in tone than for some time past. The new Pennsylvania 7s, when issued, have been a prominent feature throughout the week at from 1 to 2% above par.

Foreign Exchange.—The market for sterling exchange has ruled quiet but fairly steady throughout.

To-day's (Friday's) actual rates for sterling exchange were 3 81 1/4 @ 3 82 1/4 for sixty days, 3 83 1/4 @ 3 85 1/4 for cheques and 3 84 1/4 @ 3 86 for cables.

To-day's (Friday's) actual rates for Paris bankers' francs were 15.93 @ 16.13 for long and 15.86 @ 16.06 for short.

Exchange at Paris on London, 63.30 francs; week's range, 63.15 high and 63.80 low.

Table for Foreign Exchange showing Sterling, Actual, Sixty Days, Cheques, Cables, and Paris Bankers' Francs rates.

Amsterdam Bankers' Guilders—High for the week, Low for the week, Domestic Exchange—Chicago, par. St. Louis, 15 @ 25 per \$1,000 discount.

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

Table showing transactions at the New York Stock Exchange daily, weekly, and yearly for various categories like Stocks, Railroad & Bonds, State, Mun. & Foreign Bonds, and United States Bonds.

Table showing sales at the New York Stock Exchange for the week ending May 7, 1920, and for the period Jan. 1 to May 7, 1919.

DAILY TRANSACTIONS AT THE BOSTON, PHILADELPHIA AND BALTIMORE EXCHANGES.

Table showing daily transactions at the Boston, Philadelphia, and Baltimore exchanges for various categories like Stocks, Bonds, and Shares.

United States Bonds.—Sales of Government bonds at the Board are limited to the various Liberty Loan issues all have been weak, some touching new low quotations.

Table titled 'Daily Record of Liberty Loan Prices' showing prices for various Liberty Loan issues from May 1 to May 7.

Outside Market.—"Curb" issues suffered considerably on the opening day of trading this week, but thereafter values continued to mend.

Business on the whole was not large. Cleveland Automobile was active, gained six points to 81, dropped to 74 and ends the week at 75 1/4. General Asphalt, after a loss of some ten points to 73, recovered to 71 1/4 and weakened again to-day, closing at 69 3/4.



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

HIGH AND LOW SALE PRICES—PER SHARE, NOT PER CENT							Sales for the Week	STOCKS NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE	PER SHARE Range since Jan. 1 On basis of 100-share lots		PER SHARE Range for Previous Year 1919	
Saturday May 1	Monday May 3	Tuesday May 4	Wednesday May 5	Thursday May 6	Friday May 7	Lowest			Highest	Lowest	Highest	
\$ per share	\$ per share	\$ per share	\$ per share	\$ per share	\$ per share	\$ per share	Shares	Par	\$ per share	\$ per share	\$ per share	\$ per share
77 75 1/4	77 1/4	77 1/4	77 1/4	77 1/4	77 1/4	77 1/4	10,625	Atch Topeka & Santa Fe.....100	76 Feb 11	80 1/2 Mar 10	80 1/2 Dec	104 May
72 1/2 73	73 1/2	73 1/2	73 1/2	73 1/2	73 1/2	73 1/2	1,400	Do pref.....100	72 1/2 Apr 29	82 Jan 3	76 1/2 Dec	89 Jan
54 1/4	54 1/4	54 1/4	54 1/4	54 1/4	54 1/4	54 1/4	800	Atlanta Birm & Atlantic.....100	5 Apr 21	8 1/2 Feb 24	6 Mar	15 1/2 July
86 86 1/2	87 1/2	88 1/2	88 1/2	88 1/2	88 1/2	88 1/2	800	Atlantic Coast Line RR.....100	81 Feb 11	93 Jan 7	87 1/2 Dec	107 May
31 32 3/4	32 1/2	33 1/4	33 1/4	33 1/4	33 1/4	33 1/4	8,400	Baldmore & Ohio.....100	27 1/2 Feb 13	38 1/2 Feb 24	28 1/2 Dec	55 1/2 May
43 1/2	43 1/2	43 1/2	43 1/2	43 1/2	43 1/2	43 1/2	600	Do pref.....100	42 Feb 10	49 1/2 Feb 24	38 1/2 Dec	59 1/2 May
12 1/2	12 1/2	13 1/4	13 1/4	13 1/4	13 1/4	13 1/4	1,300	Brooklyn Rapid Transit.....100	10 1/2 Feb 10	17 Mar 15	10 Dec	23 1/2 July
8 9	8 1/2	8 1/2	8 1/2	8 1/2	8 1/2	8 1/2	900	Certificates of deposit.....100	7 Jan 3	13 1/4 Mar 15	5 Dec	17 1/2 July
116 1/2	116 1/2	116 1/2	116 1/2	116 1/2	116 1/2	116 1/2	3,500	Canadian Pacific.....100	115 1/4 Feb 11	13 1/2 Jan 3	128 1/2 Dec	170 1/2 July
50 51 1/2	52 1/2	53 1/4	53 1/4	53 1/4	53 1/4	53 1/4	2,300	Chesapeake & Ohio.....100	47 Feb 13	50 1/2 Mar 10	51 1/2 Dec	68 1/2 May
8 1/2	8 1/2	8 1/2	8 1/2	8 1/2	8 1/2	8 1/2	1,900	Chicago Great Western.....100	21 Feb 13	27 1/2 Feb 28	21 Dec	30 1/2 May
21 21 1/2	21 1/2	21 1/2	21 1/2	21 1/2	21 1/2	21 1/2	8,200	Do pref.....100	30 1/2 Feb 6	62 1/2 Mar 11	34 1/2 Dec	52 1/2 July
32 1/2	33 1/2	33 1/2	33 1/2	33 1/2	33 1/2	33 1/2	7,200	Chicago Milw & St Paul.....100	45 1/2 Feb 13	61 1/2 Mar 11	4 1/2 Dec	76 July
48 1/4	49	49 1/2	49 1/2	49 1/2	49 1/2	49 1/2	1,900	Chicago & Northwestern.....100	75 Feb 13	91 1/2 Mar 10	85 Nov	105 May
80 80	80 1/2	80 1/2	80 1/2	80 1/2	80 1/2	80 1/2	1,900	Do pref.....100	113 Feb 13	120 Jan 6	116 Dec	133 Jan
110 118	110 1/2	110 1/2	110 1/2	110 1/2	110 1/2	110 1/2	50,600	Chic Rock Isl & Pac.....100	23 1/2 Feb 13	41 Mar 8	22 1/2 Jan	32 1/2 July
30 1/2	32 1/2	33 1/2	33 1/2	33 1/2	33 1/2	33 1/2	1,300	7% preferred.....100	64 1/2 Feb 13	78 Feb 21	68 Dec	84 June
70 1/2	71 1/2	71 1/2	71 1/2	71 1/2	71 1/2	71 1/2	2,100	6% preferred.....100	54 Feb 11	66 1/2 Mar 1	55 1/2 Aug	73 July
60 60	60 1/2	61 1/2	61 1/2	62	62	62	800	Clev Cin Chic & St Louis.....100	42 Feb 6	55 Mar 15	32 Feb	54 1/2 June
45 45 1/2	44 1/2	44 1/2	44 1/2	44 1/2	44 1/2	44 1/2	100	Do pref.....100	62 1/2 May 4	68 Feb 24	63 Sept	74 July
20 20 1/2	20 1/2	20 1/2	20 1/2	20 1/2	20 1/2	20 1/2	300	Colorado & Southern.....100	20 Feb 11	27 Feb 19	19 Dec	31 1/2 May
48 50	48 1/2	48 1/2	48 1/2	48 1/2	48 1/2	48 1/2	200	Do 1st pref.....100	47 1/2 Feb 16	51 1/2 Mar 25	48 Dec	55 1/2 July
40 41	40 1/2	40 1/2	40 1/2	40 1/2	40 1/2	40 1/2	500	Do 2d pref.....100	42 Mar 8	43 Jan 16	45 Feb	51 1/2 May
90 1/2	91 1/2	92 1/2	93 1/2	93 1/2	93 1/2	93 1/2	175	Delaware & Hudson.....100	89 1/2 Feb 13	99 1/2 Mar 13	91 1/2 Dec	107 1/2 May
175 180	175 1/2	180	175 1/2	180	175 1/2	180	700	Delaware Lack & Western.....50	166 Feb 10	195 Mar 10	172 1/2 Mar	217 May
6 1/2	7 1/4	7 1/4	6 1/2	6 1/2	6 1/2	6 1/2	1,000	Denver & Rio Grande.....100	6 Feb 13	9 Jan 3	3 1/2 Apr	15 1/2 July
10 1/2	10 1/2	10 1/2	10 1/2	10 1/2	10 1/2	10 1/2	7,000	Do pref.....100	9 Feb 11	16 1/2 Feb 24	6 Feb	24 July
12 12 1/2	12 1/2	12 1/2	12 1/2	12 1/2	12 1/2	12 1/2	2,200	Do pref.....100	17 1/2 Feb 13	25 Feb 24	18 1/2 Dec	33 July
19 19 1/2	19 1/2	20 1/2	19 1/2	19 1/2	19 1/2	19 1/2	2,600	Do 1st pref.....100	12 1/2 Feb 9	17 1/2 Feb 21	4 1/2 Dec	23 1/2 July
13 13 1/4	13 1/2	13 1/2	13 1/2	13 1/2	13 1/2	13 1/2	4,400	Do 2d pref.....100	68 1/2 Feb 11	84 1/2 Mar 13	75 1/2 Dec	100 1/2 May
73 74	74 1/2	74 1/2	74 1/2	74 1/2	74 1/2	74 1/2	18,100	Great Northern pref.....100	33 Feb 13	41 1/2 Mar 19	31 1/2 Jan	52 1/2 July
35 35 1/2	35 1/2	35 1/2	35 1/2	35 1/2	35 1/2	35 1/2	4,400	Iron Ore properties.....No par	7 Jan 24	15 May 5	7 Sept	12 1/2 July
13 13 1/2	13 1/2	13 1/2	13 1/2	13 1/2	13 1/2	13 1/2	1,100	Gulf Mob & N r tr cts.....100	28 Jan 24	34 Apr 14	30 Dec	40 1/2 July
84 1/2	85 1/2	85 1/2	85 1/2	85 1/2	85 1/2	85 1/2	1,200	Illinois Central.....100	80 1/2 Feb 13	93 1/2 Mar 10	85 1/2 Dec	104 May
3 1/2	3 1/2	3 1/2	3 1/2	3 1/2	3 1/2	3 1/2	2,100	Interboro Cons Corp.....No par	3 1/2 Feb 13	4 1/2 Mar 13	3 1/2 Mar	9 1/2 June
13 1/4	12 1/2	12 1/2	12 1/2	12 1/2	12 1/2	12 1/2	2,600	Do pref.....100	9 1/2 Feb 13	16 1/2 Mar 15	10 Dec	31 1/2 June
13 1/4	13 1/4	13 1/4	13 1/4	13 1/4	13 1/4	13 1/4	4,700	Kansas City Southern.....100	13 1/2 May 5	19 1/2 Feb 24	13 Nov	25 1/2 May
42 45	43 1/2	43 1/2	43 1/2	43 1/2	43 1/2	43 1/2	2,100	Do pref.....100	43 Apr 23	48 1/2 Mar 1	40 Dec	57 May
41 42	41 1/2	41 1/2	41 1/2	42	42	42	800	Lehigh Valley.....50	40 1/2 Feb 13	47 1/2 Mar 10	40 1/2 Dec	60 1/2 June
100 1/2	101 1/4	101 1/4	101 1/4	101 1/4	101 1/4	101 1/4	800	Louisville & Nashville.....100	98 Feb 11	112 1/2 Jan 5	104 1/2 Aug	22 1/2 May
45 1/4	45 1/4	45 1/4	45 1/4	45 1/4	45 1/4	45 1/4	2,800	Manhattan Ry guar.....100	39 Apr 21	52 1/2 Mar 20	37 1/2 Dec	48 1/2 May
11 1/2	12	12 1/4	12 1/4	12 1/4	12 1/4	12 1/4	2,500	Minneapolis & St L (new).....100	2 Feb 13	18 1/2 Mar 9	9 1/2 Jan	24 1/2 July
7 1/2	7 1/2	7 1/2	7 1/2	7 1/2	7 1/2	7 1/2	4,700	Missouri Kansas & Texas.....100	6 Feb 13	11 Feb 21	4 1/2 Feb	16 1/2 July
11 1/4	11 1/4	11 1/4	11 1/4	11 1/4	11 1/4	11 1/4	1,800	Do pref.....100	8 1/2 Feb 11	18 Feb 19	8 1/2 Jan	25 1/2 July
23 1/2	24 1/4	23 1/2	24 1/4	25 1/4	25 1/4	25 1/4	17,300	Missouri Pacific trust cts.....100	21 Feb 11	31 1/2 Feb 28	22 1/2 Nov	38 1/2 July
40 40	39 1/2	40 1/2	40 1/2	40 1/2	40 1/2	40 1/2	3,700	Do pref trust cts.....100	38 Feb 11	49 1/2 Feb 24	37 1/2 Dec	58 1/2 June
4 1/2	4 1/2	4 1/2	4 1/2	4 1/2	4 1/2	4 1/2	700	Nat Ry of Mex 2d pref.....100	4 1/2 Feb 13	7 1/2 Mar 29	4 1/2 Dec	14 Mar
69 70 1/2	70 1/2	71 1/2	70 1/2	71 1/2	71 1/2	71 1/2	7,000	New Ori Tex & Mex v t c.....100	35 May 5	47 1/2 Feb 20	28 1/2 Apr	50 Sept
26 1/2	28	27 1/2	28 1/2	28 1/2	28 1/2	28 1/2	600	New York Central.....100	64 1/2 Feb 13	77 1/2 Mar 10	66 1/2 Dec	83 1/2 June
50 55	50 1/2	51 1/2	51 1/2	51 1/2	51 1/2	51 1/2	150	N Y Chicago & St Louis.....100	23 1/2 Feb 13	36 1/2 Mar 11	23 1/2 Sept	33 1/2 July
40 1/2	41 1/4	41 1/4	41 1/4	41 1/4	41 1/4	41 1/4	20,000	First preferred.....100	50 Apr 13	62 Mar 11	60 1/2 Dec	70 Apr
27 1/2	28 1/4	28 1/4	28 1/4	29 30 1/2	29 30 1/2	29 30 1/2	130	Second preferred.....100	41 1/4 May 4	50 Mar 12	40 Nov	53 1/2 July
17 1/2	18 1/4	18 1/4	18 1/4	19 1/4	19 1/4	19 1/4	1,800	N Y N H & Hartford.....100	23 1/2 Feb 11	36 1/2 Mar 10	25 1/2 Dec	40 1/2 July
90 90	89 1/2	90	92	92	92	92	5,400	Norfolk & Western.....100	16 Feb 6	21 1/2 Mar 10	16 1/2 Nov	24 1/2 July
72 1/2	74 1/4	74 1/4	75 7/8	75 7/8	75 7/8	75 7/8	20,700	Norfolk & Western.....100	88 Feb 13	100 1/2 Mar 10	95 Dec	12 1/2 May
39 1/2	40 1/4	40 1/4	40 1/4	40 1/4	40 1/4	40 1/4	9,800	Northern Pacific.....100	68 1/2 Feb 11	84 1/2 Mar 18	77 Dec	189 1/2 May
23 1/2	24 1/4	24 1/4	25 1/8	25 1/8	25 1/8	25 1/8	2,600	Pennsylvania.....50	39 1/2 Mar 23	43 1/2 Mar 10	39 1/2 Dec	48 1/2 May
62 1/2	62 1/2	62 1/2	62 1/2	62 1/2	62 1/2	62 1/2	700	Pere Marquette v t c.....100	23 1/2 Apr 23	32 Feb 19	12 1/2 Jan	33 1/2 May
65 70	66 1/2	69	68 1/2	68 1/2	68 1/2	68 1/2	200	Do prior pref v t c.....100	62 Feb 10	68 Feb 28	56 Mar	70 Dec
28 1/2	30 1/4	30 1/4	31 1/2	30 1/2	30 1/2	30 1/2	7,300	Do pref v t c.....100	50 Feb 11	80 1/2 Mar 11	41 Apr	72 Sept
76 1/2	76 1/2	77 1/2	77 1/2	77 1/2	77 1/2	77 1/2	300	Pittsbg Clin Chic & St L.....100	21 1/2 Feb 11	33 1/2 Apr 25	24 Dec	44 1/2 June
82 1/2	82 1/2	83 1/2	83 1/2	83 1/2	83 1/2	83 1/2	91,900	Pittsbg Clin & West Va.....100	70 Feb 11	80 Mar 26	75 Dec	84 1/2 June
4 1/4	4 1/4	4 1/4	4 1/4	4 1/4	4 1/4	4 1/4	700	Reading.....50	64 1/2 Feb 11	94 1/2 Apr 27	73 1/2 Dec	93 1/2 June
21 1/2	21 1/4	22 1/2	22 1/2	22 1/2	22 1/2	22 1/2	800	Do 1st pref.....50	32 1/2 Mar 9	45 Apr 27	33 Dec	38 1/2 June
12 12	12 1/2	12 1/2	12 1/2	12 1/2	12 1/2	12 1/2	22,600	Do 2d pref.....50	3 1/4 Mar 9	45 Apr 27	33 1/2 Dec	39 1/2 May
20 24	23 23	23 23	23 23	23 23	23 23	23 23	2,100	St Louis San Fran tr cts.....100	15 1/2 Feb 13	25 1/2 Feb 24	10 1/2 Jan	27 1/2 July
7 3/8	7 3/4	7 3/4	7 3/4	7 3/4	7 3/4	7 3/4	1,400	Preferred A trust cts.....100	23 1/2 Jan 14	34 Feb 20	20 Dec	37 1/2 May
13 13	13 1/2	13 1/2	13 1/2	13 1/2	13 1/2	13 1/2	2,100	St Louis Southwestern.....100	11 Feb 11	18 Feb 24	10 1/2 Dec	23 1/2 June
93 94 1/2	94 1/2	96 1/2	95 1/2	96 1/2	96 1/2	96 1/2	49,000	Do pref.....100	21 Feb 11	30 Feb 21	23 Dec	37 1/2 June
20 21	20 3/4	21 1/2	21 1/2	21 1/2	21 1/2	21 1/2	12,300	Seaboard Air Line.....100	6 1/2 Feb 11	9 1/2 Feb 19	6 1/2 Dec	12 1/2 July
53 53 1/2	54 1/2	54 1/2	54 1/2	54 1/2	54 1/2	54 1/2	900	Do pref.....100	12 1/2 Feb 13	18 1/2 Mar 1	12 Dec	22 1/2 July
35 1/2	37 1/4	37 1/4	38 1/4	39								



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HIGH AND LOW SALE PRICES—PER SHARE—NOT PER CENT.							Sales for the Week	STOCKS NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE	PER SHARE Range since Jan. 1. On basis of 100-share lots		PER SHARE Range for Previous Year 1919	
Saturday May 1	Monday May 3	Tuesday May 4	Wednesday May 5	Thursday May 6	Friday May 7	Lowest			Highest	Lowest	Highest	
\$ per share	\$ per share	\$ per share	\$ per share	\$ per share	\$ per share	\$ per share	\$ per share	\$ per share	\$ per share	\$ per share	\$ per share	
126 130	129 130	129 130	130 130	130 131	129 130	129 130	123 1/2	131 1/2	111 1/4	148 3/4	Oct	
100 109	108 108 3/4	89 90 1/2	89 90 1/2	90 91 1/2	90 91 1/2	90 90 1/2	103 1/2	103 1/2	113 1/4	119	May	
85 88 1/2	88 89 1/2	89 90 1/2	89 90 1/2	90 91 1/2	90 91 1/2	90 90 1/2	77	106 3/4	73	Aug	120 1/2	
90 95	91 97 1/2	90 95	90 95	90 97 1/2	90 97 1/2	90 90 1/2	84	103 1/2	90 1/2	Dec	100	
93 94 1/2	94 94 1/2	94 94 1/2	94 94 1/2	94 94 1/2	94 94 1/2	94 94 1/2	22 1/2	100 3/4	95 1/2	Dec	108 1/2	
220 235	220 240	220 245	220 245	230 240	230 240	230 240	100	100 3/4	90 1/2	Dec	108 1/2	
91 91 1/2	91 91 1/2	91 91 1/2	91 91 1/2	91 91 1/2	91 91 1/2	91 91 1/2	100	100 3/4	91 1/2	Dec	108 1/2	
106 113 1/2	109 111 1/2	109 111 1/2	109 111 1/2	111 113	109 111	109 111	45	100	106 1/2	May	185 1/2	
37 41	39 42	41 41	41 41	42 42	41 41	41 41	400	100 3/4	98 3/4	Apr	28	
15 16 1/2	15 16 1/2	15 16 1/2	15 16 1/2	16 16 1/2	16 16 1/2	16 16 1/2	2,500	100 3/4	15 1/2	Feb	13	
50 51	48 54	49 52	49 52	49 52	49 52	49 52	4,000	100 3/4	59 1/2	Jan	9	
55 58 1/2	57 57 1/2	57 57 1/2	57 57 1/2	57 57 1/2	57 57 1/2	57 57 1/2	13,700	100 3/4	54	Feb	13	
35 37 1/2	37 40	35 45	35 45	40 40	37 42	37 42	1,200	100 3/4	34 1/2	Apr	30	
60 63	60 65	60 65	60 65	60 65	60 65	60 65	300	100 3/4	60	May	3	
63 63	70 70	65 65	65 65	65 65	65 65	65 65	100	100 3/4	63	May	3	
143 148	148 150 1/2	151 151 1/2	151 151 1/2	159 171	163 174 1/2	163 174 1/2	29,100	100 3/4	107	Feb	11	
166 168	167 68	167 68	167 68	167 68	167 68	167 68	22,300	100 3/4	137	Feb	26	
55 57 1/2	57 59 1/2	57 59 1/2	57 59 1/2	58 60 1/2	58 60 1/2	58 60 1/2	22,300	100 3/4	63	Feb	26	
12 12	10 12	11 11	11 11	10 12	10 12	10 12	100	100 3/4	54 1/2	Feb	26	
27 27 1/2	20 25 1/2	20 24	20 24	20 24	20 24	20 24	100	100 3/4	21	May	5	
110 117 1/2	116 119 1/2	116 119 1/2	116 119 1/2	116 120 1/2	114 117	114 117	252,600	100 3/4	8 1/2	Feb	14	
42 45	45 45	45 45	45 45	42 45	42 45	42 45	5,400	100 3/4	103 1/2	Feb	13	
120 124 1/2	123 124	124 126	124 126	127 131 1/2	128 129 1/2	128 129 1/2	5,400	100 3/4	103 1/2	Feb	13	
106 107	106 110	105 110	105 110	105 106	105 106	105 106	200	100 3/4	114	Mar	3	
1 1 1/2	1 1	1 1	1 1	1 1 1/2	1 1 1/2	1 1 1/2	500	100 3/4	104 1/2	Apr	16	
22 23 1/2	23 24	23 24	23 24	24 24 1/2	23 24 1/2	23 24 1/2	8,100	100 3/4	11	Feb	9	
89 91 1/4	92 94 1/2	94 95	94 95	96 96 1/2	96 96 1/2	96 96 1/2	7,400	100 3/4	17 1/2	Feb	27	
88 93 1/2	93 95 1/4	94 95 1/4	94 95 1/4	95 98	93 96	93 96	232,500	100 3/4	81 1/2	Feb	26	
101 101 1/4	101 101 1/4	109 109	109 109	109 109	109 109	109 109	200	100 3/4	97	Jan	14	
108 109	109 109	109 109	109 109	109 109	109 109	109 109	400	100 3/4	108	Feb	13	
90 94	90 95	90 95	90 95	91 92	91 92	91 92	1,800	100 3/4	91	May	5	
117 117 1/2	117 119	119 119	119 119	118 120	119 121	119 121	1,700	100 3/4	91	Jan	13	
15 17	15 17	15 15	15 15	15 15 1/2	15 15 1/2	15 15 1/2	900	100 3/4	49 1/2	Feb	5	
22 22 1/2	22 23	22 23	22 23	23 24	23 24	23 24	2,100	100 3/4	93	Feb	5	
17 18	17 17 1/2	17 17 1/2	17 17 1/2	18 18 1/2	17 18	17 18	3,400	100 3/4	112	Jan	26	
76 77 1/2	77 77	77 77 1/2	77 77 1/2	77 77 1/2	77 77 1/2	77 77 1/2	4,000	100 3/4	27 1/2	Feb	13	
30 31 1/4	31 31 1/2	31 31 1/2	31 31 1/2	32 32 1/2	32 32 1/2	32 32 1/2	700	100 3/4	65	Feb	10	
66 68	67 67 1/2	67 67 1/2	67 67 1/2	67 67 1/2	67 67 1/2	67 67 1/2	1,000	100 3/4	59 1/2	Feb	13	
61 61	59 60	60 68	60 68	60 64	61 63	61 63	17,900	100 3/4	69	May	3	
69 72 1/2	71 72 1/2	72 73	73 74	73 74	72 74	72 74	200	100 3/4	102	May	5	
102 105	102 105	102 103	102 103	102 105	100 104	104 105	4,200	100 3/4	44	May	3	
44 46	46 46 1/2	45 46 1/2	45 46 1/2	46 47	46 47	46 47	16,400	100 3/4	117 1/2	Feb	26	
140 145	146 148 1/2	149 151	149 151	144 150	141 145 1/2	141 145 1/2	1,500	100 3/4	78	Feb	26	
85 86	87 91	89 89 1/2	89 89 1/2	16 16 1/2	16 16 1/2	16 16 1/2	4,300	100 3/4	15 1/2	Feb	11	
31 31 1/4	31 32 1/2	32 32 1/2	32 32 1/2	32 33	32 33	32 33	4,950	100 3/4	31 1/2	May	3	
34 34 1/2	34 35	33 34	33 34	34 34 1/2	34 34 1/2	34 34 1/2	8,100	100 3/4	41	May	7	
35 36	36 36	36 36	36 36	36 36 1/2	36 36 1/2	36 36 1/2	3,600	100 3/4	34 1/2	May	5	
57 58	58 59 1/2	59 60	59 60	59 59 1/2	59 59 1/2	59 59 1/2	17,900	100 3/4	134 1/2	May	3	
134 136 1/2	35 37	35 36 1/2	35 36 1/2	36 36 1/2	35 36 1/2	35 36 1/2	50	100 3/4	85 1/2	Apr	23	
80 80	80 87	81 87	81 87	81 87	81 87	81 87	800	100 3/4	55 1/2	Feb	10	
60 60	60 61 1/2	60 60 1/2	60 60 1/2	60 60	60 61	60 61	100	100 3/4	76 1/2	Feb	13	
79 82	79 79	78 81	78 82	78 82	78 82	78 82	5,300	100 3/4	75	Feb	11	
82 82 1/2	84 84 1/2	84 85	85 85 1/2	85 85 1/2	85 86	85 86	3,800	100 3/4	13 1/2	May	3	
13 14 1/2	14 14 1/2	14 14 1/2	14 14 1/2	14 14 1/2	15 15 1/2	15 15 1/2	15,200	100 3/4	25	Feb	26	
36 40	37 39 1/2	39 39 1/2	38 39 1/2	38 39 1/2	37 38 1/2	37 38 1/2	12,000	100 3/4	78	Feb	13	
88 92	90 91 1/2	90 91 1/2	91 91 1/2	91 93 1/2	91 92	91 92	2,600	100 3/4	101 1/2	Apr	22	
12 13	11 12	12 12 1/2	12 12 1/2	12 12 1/2	12 12 1/2	12 12 1/2	82,700	100 3/4	76 1/2	Feb	13	
91 95 1/2	95 96 1/2	95 96 1/2	95 96 1/2	97 99 1/2	95 97 1/2	95 97 1/2	500	100 3/4	101	Jan	26	
104 104 1/2	104 105 1/2	104 105 1/2	104 105 1/2	104 105 1/2	104 105 1/2	104 105 1/2	36,100	100 3/4	131	May	3	
131 145	135 141	136 142	140 145 1/2	134 139	134 139	134 139	100	100 3/4	98 1/2	Mar	5	
48 50 1/2	53 52	51 54	53 54	53 54	53 54	53 54	27,200	100 3/4	39 1/2	Feb	26	
80 80	81 81	81 81	80 81	80 81	80 81	80 81	1,000	100 3/4	49 1/2	Feb	13	
500 500	500 600	500 600	500 600	510 600	510 600	510 600	700	100 3/4	605	Apr	17	
92 104 1/2	10 10	10 10	10 10	10 11 1/2	10 11 1/2	10 11 1/2	500	100 3/4	10 1/2	Apr	24	
22 22 1/2	21 21 1/2	21 21 1/2	21 21 1/2	21 21 1/2	21 21 1/2	21 21 1/2	700	100 3/4	20 1/2	Feb	26	
33 43	33 44	37 44	37 44	37 44	37 44	37 44	200	100 3/4	33	Feb	17	
21 23	21 23	21 23	21 23	20 22	20 22	20 22	200	100 3/4	20	Feb	6	
80 80 1/2	80 81	80 81	80 81	80 83	80 83	80 83	100	100 3/4	80 1/2	May	3	
100 103 1/2	100 102	103 106	103 106	107 103 1/2	107 103 1/2	107 103 1/2	5,200	100 3/4	89	Mar	3	
98 98 1/2	98 98 1/2	98 98 1/2	98 98 1/2	98 98 1/2	98 98 1/2	98 98 1/2	1,000	100 3/4	98 1/2	Apr	29	
68 72	70 72 1/2	72 74 1/2	72 74 1/2	70 72	70 72	70 72	12,500	100 3/4	65 1/2	Feb	11	
84 85	84 84	84 85	85 85 1/2	85 86	84 86	84 86	1,800	100 3/4	83	Apr	29	
10 15	12 15	12 12 1/2	12 12 1/2	13 14 1/2	13 14 1/2	13 14 1/2	200	100 3/4	10	Jan	6	
37 38	38 39 1/2	37 40	39 41	39 41	39 41	39 41	3,800	100 3/4	26 1/2	Jan	2	
130 131	127 127 1/2	128 132	128 132	130 130	130 130	130 130	700	100 3/4	100 1/2	Feb	13	
31 32 1/2	32 32 1/2	32 33	32 33	33 33 1/2	32 32 1/2	32 32 1/2	4,900	100 3/4	31 1/2	May	3	
22 22 1/2	21 21 1/2	21 21 1/2	21 21 1/2	21 21 1/2	22 22 1/2	22 22 1/2	3,400	100 3/4	20 1/2	Feb	10	
60 63 1/2	61 62	13 13 1/2	13 13 1/2	13 13 1/2	13 13 1/2	13 13 1/2	1,800	100 3/4	12	Feb	11	
142 145 1/2	143 144	141 144	143 144	143 144	141 143 1/2	141 143 1/2	8,000					



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

Table with columns: HIGH AND LOW SALE PRICES—PER SHARE, NOT PER CENT. (Saturday May 1 to Friday May 7), Sales for the Week, STOCKS NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE, PER SHARE Range since Jan. 1, and PER SHARE Range for Previous Year 1955. Includes stock names like Manhattan Shirt, Martin Parry Corp, etc.

STOCK EXCHANGE CLOSED—MOVING DAY.

\* Bid and asked prices; no sales on this day! † Less than 100 shares. ‡ Ex-rights. § Ex-div. and rights. ¶ Ex-div. c Reduced to basis of \$25 par. m Par \$100.



# New York Stock Exchange—Bond Record, Friday, Weekly and Yearly 1957

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

BONDS N. Y. STOCK EXCHANGE Week ending May 7										BONDS N. Y. STOCK EXCHANGE Week ending May 7									
Interest Period	Price Friday May 7	Week's Range or Last Sale		Bonds Sold	Range Since Jan. 1.		Interest Period	Price Friday May 7	Week's Range or Last Sale		Bonds Sold	Range Since Jan. 1.							
		High	Low		High	Low			High	Low									
<b>U. S. Government.</b>																			
First Liberty Loan	J D	91.90	Sale	89.30	92.20	7318	89.30	100.40											
3 1/2% 1st 15-30 year...1932-47	J D	91.90	Sale	89.30	92.20	7318	89.30	100.40											
Second Liberty Loan	J D	85.90	Sale	84.30	86.00	292	84.30	93.43											
1st L L conv...1932-47	J D	85.90	Sale	84.30	86.00	292	84.30	93.43											
4th 2nd L L...1927-42	M N	85.10	Sale	84.60	85.20	677	84.20	92.90											
Third Liberty Loan	J D	86.74	Sale	85.20	86.74	485	85.00	94.00											
4 1/4% 1st L L conv...1932-47	J D	86.74	Sale	85.20	86.74	485	85.00	94.00											
4 1/4% 2nd L L conv...1927-42	M N	85.22	Sale	84.90	85.42	6935	84.30	92.88											
4 1/4% 3rd L L...1928	M S	89.06	Sale	89.00	90.00	6108	89.00	95.00											
Fourth Liberty Loan	J D	85.70	Sale	84.46	86.10	10861	84.50	101.00											
4 1/4% 1st L L 2nd conv...1932-47	J D	85.70	Sale	84.46	86.10	10861	84.50	101.00											
4 1/4% 4th L L...1933-38	A O	85.70	Sale	84.46	86.10	10861	84.50	101.00											
Victory Liberty Loan	J D	96.04	Sale	95.98	96.60	8095	95.90	99.40											
4 1/4% conv g notes...1922-23	J D	96.04	Sale	95.98	96.60	8095	95.90	99.40											
3 1/2% conv g notes...1922-23	J D	96.00	Sale	95.90	96.60	4320	95.90	99.40											
2% consol registered...41930	Q Q	105 1/8	106	105 1/8	106	101	101	101 1/4											
2% consol coupon...41930	Q Q	105 1/8	106	105 1/8	106	101	101	101 1/4											
4% coupon...1925	Q Q	105 1/8	106	105 1/8	106	101	101	101 1/4											
Pan Canal 10-30 yr 2% reg...1936	Q F	105 1/8	106	105 1/8	106	101	101	101 1/4											
Pan Canal 10-30 yr 2% reg...1938	Q F	105 1/8	106	105 1/8	106	101	101	101 1/4											
Panama Canal 3% g...1961	Q M	88	79 1/2	Apr '20	---	79 1/2	89 1/4	---											
Registered...1961	Q M	85	87 1/2	Mar '20	---	87 1/2	87 1/2	---											
Philippine Island 4%...1914-34	Q F	100	100	Feb '15	---	---	---	---											
<b>Foreign Government.</b>																			
Anglo-French 5-yr 6% Exter loan...A O	98	Sale	97 3/8	98 1/2	1605	93 1/2	99 1/4												
Argentine Internal 5% of 1909...M N	71 1/4	Sale	70 3/4	71 1/8	16	70	75												
Bordeaux (City) 1 1/2-yr 6%...1934	M S	87 1/2	Sale	87 1/4	87 3/8	14	87 1/4	92 3/8											
Chinese (Hukuang Ry) 6% of 1911	J D	43	43 1/2	44	44	3	42	50											
Copenhagen 25-yr s f 5 1/4%...1944	J J	75 1/2	Sale	74 1/2	76	35	74 1/2	80 3/4											
7% External debt 5% of 1904...F A	90 1/2	91 1/2	90 1/2	91 1/2	24	90	92 3/8												
Exter 6 1/2% of 1914 ser A...1949	F A	81 1/8	Sale	80 7/8	81 1/8	8	80 7/8	86											
External loan 4 1/4%...1949	F A	73 3/4	73 3/4	73 3/4	73 3/4	7	72	76											
Dominion Rep ConsAdm s f 5 1/2%...A O	97 1/2	97 1/2	96 1/2	97 1/2	60	95 1/4	98 1/8												
Dominion of Canada g 6%...1921	A O	89 3/4	Sale	88	89 3/4	36	88	92 1/8											
do do...1931	A O	89 3/4	Sale	88 3/4	90	33	88 3/4	92 1/8											
2-yr 5 1/2% gold notes Aug 1921...97 1/4	Sale	95 3/8	95 3/8	95 3/8	69	93 3/4	95 1/2												
10-year 6 1/2%...1929	90 3/8	Sale	89 1/2	90 3/8	46	89 1/4	91 1/2												
Japanese Govt—2 loan 4 1/4%...1925	F A	76	Sale	75 1/4	76 1/4	178	69	82											
Second series 4 1/4%...1925	J J	75	Sale	74 1/2	75 1/4	206	67 1/2	82											
do do "German stamp"...1931	J J	59 1/8	Sale	58 1/2	59 1/2	405	55 1/4	71											
Lyons (City) of 15-yr 6%...1934	M N	87 1/4	87 1/4	87 1/4	5	87 3/8	92 3/4												
Marseilles (City) of 15-yr 6 1/2%...M N	87 1/4	Sale	87 1/4	87 1/4	4	87 1/4	92 3/4												
Mexico—Exter loan 2 1/2% of 1899...Q J	33 1/4	Sale	31	33 1/4	109	29 3/4	43												
Gold debt 4% of 1904...1954	J D	30	Sale	29 1/2	30	13	26 1/2	37											
Paris (City) of 6-year 6%...1921	A O	89 3/8	Sale	89 3/8	90	115	88 1/2	93											
Tokyo City 5% loan of 1912...M S	55	57 1/2	56	Apr '20	---	54	61	---											
U K of Gr Brit & Ireland—																			
6-year 5 1/4% notes...1921	M N	95	Sale	94 3/8	95 1/8	376	92 3/8	97 1/4											
20-year gold bond 5 1/4%...1937	F A	86	Sale	85 3/8	86	119	85 1/2	90 3/8											
10-year conv 5 1/4%...1929	F A	91	Sale	90 3/8	92	261	89 1/4	95 3/8											
4-year conv 5 1/4%...1922	F A	93 1/4	Sale	93 1/4	93 1/4	95	90 1/4	94											
<b>State and City Securities.</b>																			
N Y City—4 1/4% Corp stock...1960	M S	---	---	87 1/2	87 1/2	1	87 1/2	95 1/4											
4 1/4% Corporate stock...1964	M S	---	---	87 3/8	87 3/8	1	87 3/8	95 1/4											
4 1/4% Corporate stock...1966	A O	---	---	89 1/4	89 1/4	1	89 1/4	95 1/4											
4 1/4% Corporate stock July 1967	J D	93	Sale	93	93	1	93	100 3/8											
4 1/4% Corporate stock...1965	J D	---	---	94 1/4	94 1/4	1	94 1/4	100 1/8											
4 1/4% Corporate stock...1963	M N	---	---	94 1/2	94 1/2	1	94 1/2	100 1/8											
4% Corporate stock...1958	M N	---	---	85 1/2	85 1/2	1	85 1/2	90 1/8											
4% Corporate stock...1957	M N	---	---	85 1/4	85 1/4	1	84	91											
4% Corporate stock reg...1956	M N	---	---	83	85 1/2	13	85 1/2	89 1/2											
New 4 1/4% Corporate stock...1957	M N	93	94 1/2	93 3/8	94 1/2	5	94	100 3/8											
4 1/2% Corporate stock...1957	M N	93	94 1/4	94	94 1/2	5	94	100 3/8											
3 1/2% Corporate stock...1954	M N	77	80 1/4	80 3/8	80 3/8	1	79 1/2	81											
N Y State—4%...1961	M S	---	---	98 1/2	98 1/2	---	---	---											
Canal Improvement 4%...1961	J J	95	100	Nov '19	---	---	---	---											
Canal Improvement 4%...1962	J J	95	98 1/2	Aug '19	---	---	---	---											
Canal Improvement 4%...1960	J J	95	94	Apr '20	---	94	97	---											
Canal Improvement 4 1/4%...1964	J J	100	107 1/2	Jan '20	---	107 1/2	108	---											
Canal Improvement 4 1/4%...1965	J J	100	99	Mar '20	---	99	99	---											
Highway Improv't 4 1/4%...1963	M S	100	100	100	13	100	107 1/2	---											
Highway Improv't 4 1/4%...1965	M S	100	100 1/8	June '18	---	---	---	---											
Virginia funded debt 2-3%...1911	J J	52 1/2	55	54 1/2	54 1/2	2	50	60 1/2											
6% deferred Brown Bros otf...---																			
<b>Railroad.</b>																			
Ann Arbor 1st g 4%...1995	Q J	50	51 1/2	51 1/2	2	49 3/8	58												
Atchafalpa Topeka & Santa Fe...A O	72	Sale	70 1/2	72 1/2	191	70	82 3/4												
Registered...1995	A O	---	---	68 1/2	68 1/2	5	68 1/2	79											
Adjustment gold 4%...1995	Nov	60	63 3/8	64	Apr '20	---	64	71 1/2											
Registered...1995	Nov	63 3/4	63 3/4	73 1/2	June '18	---	---	---											
Stamped...1995	M N	63 3/4	64	63 3/4	64 1/4	19	63 1/2	71 1/2											
Conv gold 4%...1965	J D	61	Sale	60 3/4	61	6	60 3/8	66 3/8											
Conv 4 1/2% issue of 1910...1960	J D	79 3/4	80 3/8	80	80 3/8	320	80	89 3/4											
East Okla Div 1st g 4%...1928	M S	79 1/4	85	88	Apr '20	---	85 3/8	88											
Rocky Mtn Div 1st g 4%...1965	J J	59 1/4	68	69	Apr '20	---	65	69											
Trans Con Short L 1st 4%...1963	J J	70 3/8	71 3/4	74	Apr '20	---	72	76 1/2											
Cal-Aris 1st & Ref 4 1/4% A...1962	M S	73	73 3/8	76	Mar '20	---	76	81											
S F Pres & Ph 1st g 5%...1942	M S	81	85	95	June '19	---	---	---											
Atl Coast L 1st gold 4%...1962	M S	71 3/4	73	71 3/8	72 3/8	13	71 3/8	80											
Gen unified 4 1/4%...1964	J D	79	74 3/8	74 3/8	Apr '20	---	72 1/2	78											
Als Mid 1st g gold 5%...1928	M S	71 3/8	96	92 3/8	Mar '20	---	92 3/8	92 3/8											
Brins & W 1st g gold 4%...1938	J J	97	83	73	Jan '20	---	78	78											
Charles & S 1st g gold 7%...1932	M N	61	Sale	60 1/2	Aug '16	---	60 1/2	72 1/2											
L & N coll gold 4%...1934	A O	87 1/2	105	July '15	---	---	---	---											
Sav F & W 1st g 6%...1934	A O	87 1/2	105	July '15	---	---	---	---											
1st gold 5%...1934	A O	87 1/2	105	July '15	---	---	---	---											
Salt & Ohio prior 3 1/2%...1925	J J	80	80 3/4	80 1/2	81	47													



BONDS		Interest Period	Price Friday May 7		Week's Range or Last Sale		Bonds Sold	Range Since Jan. 1.	
N. Y. STOCK EXCHANGE Week ending May 7			Bid	Ask	Low	Hgh		Low	Hgh
Delaware Lack & West—Concl.									
Warren 1st ref gu g 3 1/2s	2000	F A			102 1/2	Feb '08			
Delaware & Hudson—									
1st lien equip g 4 1/2s	1922	J J	98	97 1/2	96	96	9	96	96 7/8
1st & ref 4s	1935	M A	70	73	70	70	10	70	81
20-year conv 6s	1935	M A	78 1/2	79	79	79	3	79	85 1/2
Alb & Susq conv 3 1/2s	1948	A O	60 1/4	69	67	67	1	67	72 1/2
Renss & Saratoga 1st 7s	1921	M A		104	102 3/4	Apr '19			
Denver & Rio Grande—									
1st cons g 4s	1936	J J	59 1/2	Sale	59	60	48	59	67 3/4
Consol gold 4 1/2s	1936	J J	*64	64 1/2	65	Apr '20	7	62 7/8	72 3/4
Improvement gold 5s	1928	J D	65 1/2	68 1/4	68 1/4	68 1/2	84	63	70 1/2
1st & refunding 5s	1955	F A	43 1/4	Sale	43	44 3/4	84	38	49
Trust Co certifs of deposit					39	Feb '20		39	43 1/2
Rio Gr Juno 1st gu g 5s	1939	J J	70 1/2		75	Jan '20		75	75
Rio Gr Sou 1st gold 4s	1940	J J		77 1/2	61 1/4	Apr '11			
Guaranteed	1940	J J		40	34	July '17	42	58	67
Rio Gr West 1st gold 4s	1939	J J	59 1/2	Sale	59 1/2	59 1/2		48	52
Mtge & coll trust 4s A	1949	A O	60		49 1/2	Apr '20			
Del & Mack—1st lien g 4s	1995	J D		78	75 1/2	July '16			
Gold 4s	1995	J D		72 3/4	76 1/4	73 1/2	10	73 1/2	80
Del Riv Tun Ter Tun 4 1/2s	1961	M N	94		96 3/4	June '18			
Dul Missabe & Nor gen 5s	1941	M N	86	86 7/8	87	Apr '20		87	90 1/8
Dul & Iron Range 1st 5s	1937	A O			105 1/2	Mar '08			
Registered		J J	75	78	83	June '19		85 1/2	85 3/4
Dul/Sou Shore & Atl g 5s	1937	J J	81 1/2	85	86 1/2	Apr '20	1	95	98
Elgin Joliet & East 1st g 5s	1941	M N		97	97			80	80
Erle 1st consol gold 7s	1924	M A		84	80	Jan '20		92	92
N Y & Erie 1st ext g 4s	1947	M N		95	95 1/2	Apr '20		95 1/2	95 1/2
3rd ext gold 4 1/2s	1923	M S		72	94 1/4	Nov '15			
4th ext gold 5s	1920	A O		100	98 1/2	Aug '19		49 1/2	56
5th ext gold 4s	1928	J D		49 1/2	Sale	49 1/2	59	49 1/2	56
N Y L E & W 1st & 1d 7s	1920	M S		40 1/4	Sale	40 1/4	13	39	47
Erle 1st cons g 4s prior	1996	J J		73	June '16			73 1/4	79 3/4
Registered		J J		72 3/4	74 3/4	Apr '20		12	33 1/2
Penn col trust gold 4s	1961	F A		34 3/4	34	35	12	33 1/2	41 1/8
50-year conv 4s Ser A	1963	A O		34 1/2	34	34 1/2	65	30	41
do Series B	1963	A O		36	37 1/2	37	47	35 1/2	44
Gen conv 4s Series	1963	A O		74 3/4	72	72	1	72	83
Ohio & Erie 1st gold 5s	1932	M N		83	106 7/8	Jan '17			
Clev & Mahon Vall g 5s	1938	J J		85	88 3/4	Mar '20		88 3/4	90
Erie & Jersey 1st f 6s	1955	J J		89	95	Dec '19			
Genesee River 1st f 6s	1957	J J		103 1/2	103 1/2	Sept '19			
Long Dock consol g 6s	1935	A O		92 1/2	103	Jan '18		91	91
Coal & RR 1st cur gu g 6s	1922	M N		85	91 1/2	91	Feb '20		
Dock & Imp't 1st ext 5s	1943	J J		75	81	85	Jan '18		
N Y & Green L gu g 5s	1948	M N		54 1/2	65	Nov '19			
N Y Susq & W 1st ref 6s	1937	J J		100 1/4	Dec '08				
2d gold 4 1/2s	1937	F A		60	June '18				
General gold 5s	1940	J J		72	97	Dec '18			
Terminal 1st gold 5s	1943	M N		52	53	Feb '20		53	55
Mid of N J 1st ext 5s	1940	A O		95	95 1/4	Aug '19			
Wilk & East 1st gu g 6s	1942	J D		108	Nov '11				
Ev & Ind 1st cons gu g 6s	1936	J J		74 3/4	91	77	10	74 1/4	80
Evans & T H 1st cons 6s	1942	A O		51	56	Feb '20		56	56 1/2
1st general gold 5s	1932	J J		60	76	Dec '19			
Mt Vernon 1st gold 6s	1923	A O		94	94	Apr '20	376	93	96
Sull Co Branch 1st g 5s	1930	A O		71	75	74	1	74	85 1/2
Florida E Coast 1st 4 1/2s	1959	J D		79 1/4	82 3/4	Feb '20		83 1/2	88 1/2
Fort St U D Co 1st g 4s	1941	J J		102	106	103 1/4	Apr '20	99 1/4	105 3/4
Ft Worth & Rio Gr 1st g 4s	1928	J J		118	118	Apr '17		85 1/4	92
Galv Hous & Hen 1st 6s	1933	A O		85 1/4	85 1/4	85 1/4	4	85 1/4	92
Great Nor C B & Q coll 4s	1921	J J		77 1/4	79 1/4	Apr '20		79 1/4	83 1/4
Registered		J J		91	92	Mar '20		82	83
1st & ref 4 1/2 Series A	1961	J J		71	75	74	1	74	85 1/2
Registered		J J		79 1/4	82 3/4	83 1/2	Feb '20	83 1/2	88 1/2
St Paul M & Man 4s	1933	J J		102	106	103 1/4	Apr '20	99 1/4	105 3/4
1st consol g 6s	1933	J J		85 1/4	85 1/4	85 1/4	4	85 1/4	92
Reduced to gold 4 1/2s	1933	J J		77 1/4	79 1/4	79 1/4	Apr '20	79 1/4	83 1/4
Registered		J J		86	83	Mar '20		82	83
Mont ext 1st gold 4s	1937	J D		78	78	Mar '20		78	78
Registered		J D		97	97	Feb '20		97	99
Pacific ext guar 4s 2	1940	J J		99 1/4	101 1/2	103 3/4	Apr '20	101 1/2	106 1/2
E Minn Nor Div 1st g 4s	1948	A O		86 1/4	86	82 3/4	Apr '20	82 3/4	94
Minn Union 1st g 6s	1922	J J		89 1/2	93 1/2	91 1/2	Apr '20	91 1/2	91 1/2
Mont O 1st gu g 6s	1937	J J		53 1/2	55 1/2	55 1/2	7	53 1/2	55 1/2
Registered		J J		71 1/2	71 1/2	71 1/2	7	71 1/2	71 1/2
1st guar gold 5s	1937	J J		60	70	65	Apr '20	58 1/2	65
Will & S F 1st gold 5s	1938	F D		61	63 1/2	62 1/2	18	62 1/4	73
Green Bay & W deb cifs "A"	1952	Feb		61	63 1/2	63 1/2	18	62 1/4	73
Debiture cifs "B"	1952	Feb		61	63 1/2	63 1/2	18	62 1/4	73
Gulf & S I 1st ref & t g 5s	2052	J J		61 1/2	63 1/2	63 1/2	18	62 1/4	73
Hocking Val 1st cons g 4 1/2s	1939	J J		61 1/2	63 1/2	63 1/2	18	62 1/4	73
Registered		J J		61 1/2	63 1/2	63 1/2	18	62 1/4	73
Col & H V 1st ext g 4s	1948	A O		61 1/4	61 1/4	61 1/4	6	60	72 1/2
Col & Tol 1st ext 4s	1955	F A		61 1/4	61 1/4	61 1/4	6	60	72 1/2
Houston Belt & Term 1st 6s	1937	J J		80	79 1/2	79 1/2	Apr '20	79 1/2	83 1/2
Illinois Central 1st gold 4s	1951	J J		80	79 1/2	79 1/2	Apr '20	79 1/2	83 1/2
Registered		J J		80	79 1/2	79 1/2	Apr '20	79 1/2	83 1/2
1st gold 3 1/2s	1951	J J		80	79 1/2	79 1/2	Apr '20	79 1/2	83 1/2
Registered		J J		80	79 1/2	79 1/2	Apr '20	79 1/2	83 1/2
Extended 1st gold 3 1/2s	1951	A O		80	79 1/2	79 1/2	Apr '20	79 1/2	83 1/2
Registered		A O		80	79 1/2	79 1/2	Apr '20	79 1/2	83 1/2
1st gold 3s sterling	1951	M S		65 1/4	70	64	Apr '20	64	74 1/2
Registered		M S		65 1/4	70	64	Apr '20	64	74 1/2
Collateral trust gold 4s	1952	A O		65 1/4	70	64	Apr '20	64	74 1/2
Registered		A O		65 1/4	70	64	Apr '20	64	74 1/2
1st refunding 4s	1955	M N		65 1/2	65 1/2	65 1/2	39	65 1/2	76 1/2
Purchased lines 3 1/2s	1952	J J		65 1/2	65 1/2	65 1/2	39	65 1/2	76 1/2
L N O & Texas gold 4s	1955	M N		61 1/4	61 1/4	61 1/4	6	60	72 1/2
Registered		M N		61 1/4	61 1/4	61 1/4	6	60	72 1/2
15-year secured 5 1/2s	1934	J J		85 1/2	Sale	85	85 1/2	83	93 1/2
Calro Bridge gold 4s	1950	J O		70	Sale	70	1	70	80
Litchfield Div 1st gold 3s	1951	J J		50	60	Dec '19		69	69
Louis Div & Term g 3 1/2s	1953	F A		58	64	69	Jan '20	52	62
Middle Div reg 5s	1921	F A		50 1/2	63	53	Jan '20	52	62
Omaha Div 1st gold 5s	1951	F A		50 1/2	63	53	Jan '20	52	62
St Louis Div & Term g 3s	1951	J J		58 1/4	62	61 1/2	Feb '20	61 1/2	61 1/2
Gold 3 1/2s	1951	J J		58 1/4	62	61 1/2	Feb '20	61 1/2	61 1/2
Registered		J J		58 1/4	62	61 1/2	Feb '20	61 1/2	61 1/2
Spring Div 1st g 3 1/2s	1951	J J		64	74	80 3/4	Nov '16		
Registered		J J		64	74	80 3/4	Nov '16		
Western Lines 1st g 4s	1951	F A		91 1/4	100	117 1/2	May '10		
Belle & Car 1st 5s	1923	J D		83 1/2	88	88 3/4	Apr '20	88 3/4	93
Carb & Shaw 1st gold 4s	1932	M S		60	66 1/2	65 1/2	July '18		
Chlo 8t & N O gold 5s	1951	J D		60	66 1/2	65 1/2	July '18		
Registered		J D		60	66 1/2	65 1/2	July '18		
Gold 3 1/2s	1951	J D		60	66 1/2	65 1/2	July '18		
Registered		J D		60	66 1/2	65 1/2	July '18		
Joint 1st ref 5s Series A	1963	J J		70	74 3/4	77 3/4	77 1/2	1	77 3/4
Memph Div 1st g 4s	1951	J D		61 1/2	68	69 1/2	Feb '20	69 1/2	69 1/2
Registered		J D		61 1/2	68	69 1/2	Feb '20	69 1/2	69 1/2
St Louis Sou 1st gu g 4s	1931	M S		65 1/4	82	75 1/4	Dec '19		
Ind III & Iowa 1st g 4s	1950	J J		66 1/2	85	93	Nov '19		



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Interest	Period	Price		Week's		Range	Bonds	Range	Bonds	Interest	Period	Price		Week's		Range	Bonds	Range	Bonds
		Friday	May 7	Low	High							Low	High	Jan. 1.	Jan. 1.				
		Bid	Ask	Low	High	No.	Low	High	No.			Bid	Ask	Low	High	No.	Low	High	No.
		90 1/8	92 1/2	92 1/2	92 1/2	Jan '20	92 1/2	92 1/2				71	84 1/2	82 1/2	84 1/2	Apr '20	82 1/2	82 1/2	
		65 1/8	71	78 1/4	78 1/4	Apr '19						71	100 1/4	90 1/2	90 1/2	Aug '19	90 1/2	90 1/2	
				113	113	May '15						95	100 1/4	88 1/2	88 1/2	Jan '20	88 1/2	88 1/2	
		95	97 1/2	97 1/2	97 1/2	Mar '20	97 1/2	97 1/2				95	100 1/4	99	99	Apr '20	99	99	
				80	77	Oct '19								100	100	Jun '17			
				78	60	Aug '19								80	87	Mar '16			
		55	60	101	103	Nov '16	53	60						64	66 1/2	66 1/2	Apr '20	64 1/2	71 1/2
				103	103	Nov '16								40	45	42	Apr '20	40	42
		90 1/4	93 1/2	93 1/2	93 1/2	Jan '20	93 1/2	93 1/2						40	40	42	Apr '20	93 1/2	93 1/2
				71 1/2	69	Apr '20	65 1/2	70						79	79	75 1/2	Apr '20	75 1/2	78 1/2
				69	69	Jan '20	69	69						80	80	80 1/2	Jan '20	80 1/2	80 1/2
		80	80	80 1/2	80 1/2	80 1/2	80 1/2	80 1/2						77 1/4	75 1/2	77 1/2	77 1/2	77 1/2	77 1/2
		77 1/4	75 1/2	75 1/2	77 1/2	77 1/2	74 1/2	84 1/2						84 1/2	84 1/2	84 1/2	84 1/2	84 1/2	84 1/2
				103	103	Nov '16								80	80	80	80	80	80
				93 1/4	93 1/4	Jan '20	93 1/4	93 1/4						80 1/2	80 1/2	80 1/2	80 1/2	80 1/2	80 1/2
				103	103	May '17								80 1/2	80 1/2	80 1/2	80 1/2	80 1/2	80 1/2
		99 1/8	130 1/8	130 1/8	130 1/8	Jan '09	99 1/8	130 1/8						82 1/2	82 1/2	82 1/2	82 1/2	82 1/2	82 1/2
		95 1/4	123 1/4	123 1/4	123 1/4	Mar '12	95 1/4	123 1/4						45 1/2	45 1/2	45 1/2	45 1/2	45 1/2	45 1/2
		90 1/8	91 1/8	91 1/8	91 1/8	Aug '17	90 1/8	91 1/8						96 1/2	96 1/2	96 1/2	96 1/2	96 1/2	96 1/2
				98 1/2	98 1/2	Nov '13								96 1/2	96 1/2	96 1/2	96 1/2	96 1/2	96 1/2
				87	87	Nov '19								87	87	87	87	87	87
				66 1/2	66 1/2	Mar '20	66 1/2	66 1/2						66 1/2	66 1/2	66 1/2	66 1/2	66 1/2	66 1/2
		62 1/4	66 1/2	66 1/2	66 1/2	Mar '20	62 1/4	66 1/2						66 1/2	66 1/2	66 1/2	66 1/2	66 1/2	66 1/2
		74	74 1/2	75	75	Apr '20	74	74 1/2						64 1/2	64 1/2	64 1/2	64 1/2	64 1/2	64 1/2
		68	70	75 1/2	75 1/2	Apr '20	68	70						64 1/2	64 1/2	64 1/2	64 1/2	64 1/2	64 1/2
				85	85	Nov '17								64 1/2	64 1/2	64 1/2	64 1/2	64 1/2	64 1/2
		64 1/2	65	65	67 1/2	65	64 1/2	67 1/2						64 1/2	64 1/2	64 1/2	64 1/2	64 1/2	64 1/2
		68	68	68	68 1/2	68 1/2	64 1/2	68 1/2						64 1/2	64 1/2	64 1/2	64 1/2	64 1/2	64 1/2
				68	68	Apr '20	68	68 1/2						64 1/2	64 1/2	64 1/2	64 1/2	64 1/2	64 1/2
				99 1/2	99 1/2	Feb '19								64 1/2	64 1/2	64 1/2	64 1/2	64 1/2	64 1/2
		94 1/2	99 1/2	94 1/2	94 1/2	Jan '20	94 1/2	94 1/2						64 1/2	64 1/2	64 1/2	64 1/2	64 1/2	64 1/2
		68	70	76	76	Apr '20	68	70						64 1/2	64 1/2	64 1/2	64 1/2	64 1/2	64 1/2
				50	50	Apr '20								50	50	50	50	50	50
				45 1/8	45 1/8	Feb '20								45 1/8	45 1/8	45 1/8	45 1/8	45 1/8	45 1/8
				45	48	Apr '20								44 1/2	44 1/2	44 1/2	44 1/2	44 1/2	44 1/2
				46	46	Apr '20								44 1/2	44 1/2	44 1/2	44 1/2	44 1/2	44 1/2
				45	45	Apr '20								44 1/2	44 1/2	44 1/2	44 1/2	44 1/2	44 1/2
				45	45	Apr '20								44 1/2	44 1/2	44 1/2	44 1/2	44 1/2	44 1/2
				69 1/2	69 1/2	Sale	69 1/2	69 1/2						69 1/2	69 1/2	69 1/2	69 1/2	69 1/2	69 1/2
				50	50	Oct '17								50	50	50	50	50	50
				60	60	Jan '12								60	60	60	60	60	60
				60	60	July '18								60	60	60	60	60	60
				49	49	Oct '19								49	49	49	49	49	49
				68	68	Nov '19								68	68	68	68	68	68
				65	65	Dec '17								65	65	65	65	65	65
				51 1/2	51 1/2	51 1/2								51 1/2	51 1/2	51 1/2	51 1/2	51 1/2	51 1/2
				106 1/2	106 1/2	May '15								106 1/2	106 1/2	106 1/2	106 1/2	106 1/2	106 1/2
				87	87	July '14								87	87	87	87	87	87
				83	83	Aug '13								83	83	83	83	83	83
				39	39	39 3/4								39	39	39	39	39	39
				34 1/2	34 1/2	64								34 1/2	34 1/2	34 1/2	34 1/2	34 1/2	34 1/2
				70	70	Sept '17								70	70	70	70	70	70
				40	40	Mar '20								40	40	40	40	40	40
				99 1/2	99 1/2	Dec '13								99 1/2	99 1/2	99 1/2	99 1/2	99 1/2	99 1/2
				74	74	Dec '19								74	74	74	74	74	74
				54 1/4	54 1/4	55 1/4								54 1/4	54 1/4	54 1/4	54 1/4	54 1/4	54 1/4
				92 1/2	92 1/2	June '12								92 1/2	92 1/2	92 1/2	92 1/2	92 1/2	92 1/2
				60	60	Apr '20								60	60	60	60	60	60
				50	50	50								50	50	50	50	50	50
				75 1/2	75 1/2	Apr '20								75 1/2	75 1/2	75 1/2	75 1/2	75 1/2	75 1/2
				102 1/2	102 1/2	102 1/2								102 1/2	102 1/2	102 1/2	102 1/2	102 1/2	102 1/2
				98	102	102 1/2								98	102	102 1/2	98	102 1/2	102 1/2
				101 1/2	103	Feb '20								101 1/2	103	103	101 1/2	103	103
				68	68	67 1/2								68	68	67 1/2	68	68	67 1/2
				71	72 1/2	73								71	72 1/2	73	71	72 1/2	73
				75 1/2	75 1/2	Apr '20								75 1/2	75 1/2	75 1/2	75 1/2	75 1/2	75 1/2
				75 1/2	75 1/2	Mar '20								75 1/2	75 1/2	75 1/2	75 1/2	75 1/2	75 1/2
				98 3/4	98 3/4	Dec '19								98 3/4	98 3/4	98 3/4	98 3/4	98 3/4	98 3/4
				95 1/2	95 1/2	97 1/2								95 1/2	95 1/2	97 1/2	95 1/2	97 1/2	97 1/2
				72 1/2	72 1/2	72 1/2								72 1/2	72 1/2	72 1/2	72 1/2	72 1/2	72 1/2
				94 1/2	98 1/2	Jan '20								94 1/2	98 1/2	98 1/2	94 1/2	98 1/2	98 1/2
				69 1/2	73	Apr '20								69 1/2	73	73	69 1/2	73	73



BONDS		N Y STOCK EXCHANGE		Week ending May 7		Interest Period		Price		Week's Range of Last Sale		Bonds Sold		Range Since Jan. 1.	
		Bid	Ask	Low	High	No.		Low	High	Low	High	Low	High	Low	High
Virginian 1st 5s series A	1962	M	N	75	80	74 1/2	75	46	73	85 1/4	12	82	91	77 1/2	83
Wabash 1st gold 5s	1939	M	N	82 1/2	83 1/2	83	83 1/2	12	82	91	12	82	91	77 1/2	83
3d gold 5s	1939	F	A	73	75	77 1/4	Apr '20								
Debenture series B	1939	J	J	90	90	Aug '18									
1st lien equip s 1d g 5s	1921	M	N	95 1/2	97 1/2	97 1/2	Jul '19								
1st lien 50-yr g term 4s	1954	J	J	68 1/2	70 3/4	Nov '19									
Det & Ch Ext 1st g 5s	1941	J	J	88	88 1/2	Mar '20									
Des Moines Div 1st g 4s	1939	J	J	50	51	Apr '20									
Om Div 1st g 3 1/2s	1941	J	J	50	51	Apr '20									
Tol & Ch Div g 4s	1941	M	N	65 1/2	69	Apr '20									
Wash Term 1st g 3 1/2s	1945	F	A	70 1/4	71	82	Aug '18								
1st 40-yr guar 4s	1952	M	N	49	49 1/2	49	50	11	48 1/2	53					
West Maryland 1st g 4s	1952	A	O	82 1/2	83 1/2	89	Apr '20								
West N Y & Pa 1st g 5s	1937	J	J	63 1/2	64	63 1/2	11	63	63 1/2						
Gen gold 4s	1943	A	O	25	36	Oct '17									
Income 5s	1943	N	O	78	80	77 1/2	78	16	77 1/2	88					
Western Pac 1st ser A 5s	1946	M	N	90 1/2	91 1/2	90 1/2	Apr '20								
Wheeling & L E 1st g 5s	1926	A	O	95	100	Feb '17									
Wheel Div 1st gold 5s	1928	J	J	90	90	Mar '17									
Exten & Imp't gold 5s	1930	F	A	47 1/2	48 1/2	Apr '20									
Refunding 4 1/2s series A	1946	M	N	60	63 1/2	Apr '20									
R.R. 1st consol 4s	1940	M	S	60	63 1/2	Apr '20									
Winston-Salem B 1st 4s	1960	J	J	63 1/2	64	62 1/2	63 1/2	5	62 1/2	71					
W Va Cent 50-yr 1st gen 4s	1949	J	J	67 1/2	70	70	Mar '20								
Sup & Dul Div & term 1st 4s	1936	M	N												
<b>Street Railway</b>															
Brooklyn Rapid Tran g 5s	1945	A	O	20 1/2	32	33 1/4	Apr '20								
1st refund conv gold 4s	2002	J	J	22	22	22	22	5	22	28					
3-yr 7% secured notes 4s	1921	J	J	39 3/4	38	38	3 3/4	12	38	50					
Certificates of deposit				35	46 1/2	37	37	1	37	47					
Certificates of deposit atmp'd				32	4	33	3	2	31 1/2	45					
Bk City 1st cons 5s	1916-1941	J	J	64 1/2	66	Apr '20									
Bk Q Co & S cons g 4s	1941	M	N	60	60	May '18									
Bklyn Q Co & S 1st 5s	1941	J	J	40 1/2	40 1/2	Dec '19									
Bklyn Un & El 1st g 4-5s	1950	F	A	61 1/4	64	62 1/2	63 1/2	15	61 1/4	64					
Stamped guar 4-5s	1956	F	A	53	54	53	4	50	60						
Kings County E 1st g 4s	1949	F	A	52	53	53	3	9	51	55					
Stamped guar 4s	1949	F	A	23	23	23	2	23	23						
Nassau Elec guar gold 4s	1951	F	A	62	63	Apr '20									
Chicago Rys 1st 5s	1927	F	A	69 1/2	66	Feb '20									
Conn Ry & L 1st & ref g 4 1/2s	1951	J	J	60	77	July '19									
Stamped guar 4 1/2s	1951	J	J	60	61 1/2	60	60	4	60	69					
Det United 1st cons g 4s	1932	J	J	68	58	Jan '20									
Ft Smith L & Tr 1st g 5s	1936	M	S	56 1/2	56 1/2	57 1/4	57 1/4	95	54	60					
Eud & Manhat 5s ser A	1957	F	A	20	20	19 1/2	20 1/2	116	13	23					
Adjust income 5s	1957	F	A	72	90	78	Apr '20								
N Y & Jersey 1st 5s	1932	F	A	16 1/4	16	17	85	143	10 1/4	10 1/4					
Interboro-Metrop coll 4 1/2s	1956	F	A	15 1/2	15 1/2	16	9	15	19 1/2						
Certificates of deposit				53 1/2	54	54 1/4	43 1/4	48	58						
Interboro Rap Tran 1st 5s	1966	J	J	52	6	55	55	1	53 1/2	60					
Manhat Ry (N Y cons g 4s)	1990	A	O	52 1/2	55	54	54	2	52	60 1/2					
Stamped tax-exempt	1990	A	O												
Manila Elec Ry & L 1st 5s	1953	M	S												
Metropolitan Street Ry				40	46	44 1/2	Mar '20								
Bway & 7th Av 1st g 5s	1943	J	D	25	35	30	Apr '20								
Col & 9th Av 1st g 5s	1993	M	S	26	39	40	Mar '20								
Lex Av & P 1st g 5s	1993	M	S												
West W Va Elec 1st g 5s	1938	F	A	89	92	92	Apr '20								
Mt Wn Erie Ry & L cons g 6s	1936	J	J	70 1/2	81 1/2	77	Jan '20								
Refunding & ext'n 4 1/2s	1931	J	J	71 1/2	72 1/2	71 1/2	2	70	75						
Montreal Tram 1st & ref 5s	1941	J	J	68	61	July '19									
New Or Ry & L gen 4 1/2s	1935	J	J	58	57	July '19									
N Y Municip Ry 1st s 1 1/2s	1966	J	J	24 1/2	27 1/2	25	Apr '20								
N Y Rys 1st R E & ref 4s	1942	J	J	6	6 1/2	6	6	21	5	7 1/2					
Certificates of deposit				4 1/2	5	5	5	15	5 1/2	7 1/2					
80-year adj line 6s	1942	A	O	50	50	50	2	50	55						
Certificates of deposit				72 1/2	64 1/2	Jan '20									
N Y State Rys 1st cons 4 1/2s	1962	M	N	60	55	Dec '19									
Portland Ry 1st & ref 5s	1930	M	N	60	55	Dec '19									
Portld Ry L & P 1st ref 5s	1942	F	A	94	90 1/2	Feb '17									
Portland Gen Elec 1st 5s	1935	J	J	82	80	Jan '20									
St Jos Ry L H & P 1st g 5s	1937	M	N	41 1/2	40 1/2	Jan '20									
St Paul City Cab cons g 5s	1937	J	J	22 1/2	22 1/2	24	48	22	31						
Third Ave 1st ref 4s	1960	J	J	75	81	84	Jan '20								
Adj income 5s	1960	J	J	88	91	88	Apr '20								
Third Ave Ry 1st g 5s	1923	A	O	50	95	73	May '19								
Tri-City Ry & L 1st s 1 1/2s	1923	J	J	40	60	Dec '19									
Undergr of London 4 1/2s	1933	J	J	70 1/2	70 1/2	Apr '20									
Income 6s	1943	M	N	48	47 1/2	Apr '20									
United Rys Inv 5s Pitts 1st	1926	M	N	62	50	June '17									
United Rys St L 1st g 4s	1934	J	J	25 1/2	25 1/2	25 1/2	1	25	30						
St Louis Transit g 4s	1924	A	O	23 1/2	23	25 1/2	63	23	30						
United RR's San Fr s 1 1/2s	1927	A	O	64	64	Apr '20									
Union Tr (N Y cfs dep)				23 1/2	24	23	Apr '20								
Equit Tr (N Y Inter ocs)				64	69 1/4	Apr '20									
Va Ry & Pow 1st & ref 5s	1934	J	J												

BONDS		N Y STOCK EXCHANGE		Week ending May 7		Interest Period		Price		Week's Range of Last Sale		Bonds Sold		Range Since Jan. 1.	
		Bid	Ask	Low	High	No.		Low	High	Low	High	Low	High	Low	High
<b>Gas &amp; Electric Lt—(Concl.)</b>															
Utah Power & Lt 1st 5s	1944	F	A	74	75	75	75	7	75	85 1/4					
Utica Elec L & P 1st g 5s	1950	J	J	87	87	Mar '20									
Utica Gas & Elec ref 5s	1957	J	J	88 1/2	88	Nov '19									
Westchester Ltd gold 5s	1950	J	D	87 1/2	88	Oct '19									
<b>Miscellaneous</b>															
Adams Ex coll tr g 4s	1943	M	S	56	56	Sale	56	56	17	55 1/2	58 1/2				
Alaska Gold M deb 6s A	1925	M	S	13	15 1/2	13 1/2	13 1/2	1	13	20					
Conv deb 6s series B	1926	M	S	11 1/2	14 1/2	13 1/2	13 1/2	1	13	17					
Am SS of W Va 1st 5s	1920	M	N	98	102										
Armour & Co 1st real est 4 1/2s '39	1939	J	D	75 1/2	75	77	16	75	84 1/2						



SHARE PRICES—NOT PER CENTU (PRICES.							Sales for the Week. Shares.	STOCKS BOSTON STOCK EXCHANGE		Range Since Jan. 1.		Range for Previous Year 1919.	
Saturday May 1	Monday May 3	Tuesday May 4	Wednesday May 5	Thursday May 6	Friday May 7	Lowest.		Highest.	Lowest.	Highest.			
125 125	125 125	125 125	125 125	123 125	125 125	117							
63 63	63 63	63 63	63 63	63 63	63 63	355							
82 82	82 82	82 82	82 82	82 82	82 82	24							
31 31	31 31	31 31	31 31	33 34	34 35	2,405							
*140	*140	*140	*140	*140	*140	152							
10 10	10 10	10 10	10 10	10 10	10 10	100							
131 131	131 131	131 131	131 131	131 131	131 131	100							
*75 75	*75 75	*75 75	*75 75	*75 75	*75 75	20							
65 67	67 67	67 67	65 68	65 67	65 67	35							
27 28	28 28	28 28	29 29	30 30	30 30	618							
85 85	85 85	85 85	85 85	85 85	85 85	95							
*83 83	*83 83	*83 83	*83 83	*83 83	*83 83	22							
*41 41	*41 41	*41 41	*41 41	*41 41	*41 41	380							
53 54	53 54	53 54	53 54	53 54	53 54	17							
4 4	4 4	4 4	4 4	4 4	4 4	1,490							
11 11	11 11	11 11	11 11	11 11	11 11	85							
94 94	94 94	94 94	94 94	94 94	94 94	2,242							
82 82	82 82	82 82	82 82	83 84	83 84	697							
80 80	80 80	80 80	80 80	80 81	80 81	75							
10 10	10 10	10 10	10 10	10 10	10 10	580							
*34 36	*34 36	*34 36	*34 36	*34 36	*34 36	10							
31 31	31 31	31 31	31 31	32 32	32 32	555							
9 9	9 9	9 9	9 9	9 9	9 9	624							
13 14	13 14	13 14	13 14	14 14	14 14	2,170							
*13 13	*13 13	*13 13	*13 13	*13 13	*13 13	2,655							
*54 54	*54 54	*54 54	*54 54	*54 54	*54 54	6,200							
30 31	30 31	30 31	30 31	32 32	32 32	1,981							
23 24	23 24	23 24	23 24	24 24	24 24	5,465							
*80 80	*80 80	*80 80	*80 80	*80 80	*80 80	158							
145 146	144 145	144 145	145 145	143 145	143 145	278							
32 32	32 32	32 32	32 32	33 34	33 34	6,012							
*24 25	*24 25	*24 25	*24 25	*24 25	*24 25	243							
57 57	57 57	57 57	57 57	57 57	57 57	1,919							
16 16	16 16	16 16	17 18	18 18	18 18	513							
23 25	25 25	25 25	25 25	*25 26	24 24	2,005							
*69 70	*69 70	*69 70	*69 70	*69 70	*69 70	70							
52 54	53 54	53 54	53 54	53 54	53 54	1,395							
27 27	27 27	27 27	28 29	28 29	28 29	3,073							
*92 10	*92 10	*92 10	*92 10	*92 10	*92 10	70							
96 96	96 96	96 96	96 96	96 96	96 96	232							
71 71	71 71	71 71	72 72	*71 72	71 72	211							
60 60	60 60	60 60	60 60	60 61	60 61	73							
131 131	131 131	131 131	131 131	130 131	130 131	440							
85 85	85 85	85 85	85 85	85 85	85 85	450							
29 29	29 29	29 29	29 30	30 30	30 30	475							
29 29	29 29	29 29	30 30	29 30	29 30	1,687							
162 162	162 162	162 162	162 162	162 162	162 162	17							
14 14	14 14	14 14	14 14	14 15	14 15	310							
44 44	44 44	44 44	44 44	44 44	44 44	265							
22 22	22 22	22 22	22 22	*22 24	*22 24	155							
18 18	17 18	18 18	17 18	18 19	18 19	495							
*41 43	*42 43	*42 43	*42 43	44 44	44 44	485							
11 11	11 11	11 11	11 11	11 11	11 11	2,430							
65 65	65 65	65 65	65 65	*67 71	*67 71	89							
27 27	27 27	27 27	26 26	26 26	26 26	315							
43 44	44 44	44 44	44 44	43 44	43 44	1,978							
24 25	24 24	24 24	24 24	24 24	24 24	246							
14 15	14 15	14 15	14 15	15 15	15 15	6,867							
21 21	21 21	21 21	22 22	22 22	22 22	9,061							
*35 37	*35 37	*35 37	*35 37	36 36	36 36	2,224							
20 20	20 20	20 20	20 20	20 20	19 20	670							
61 61	*60 61	61 61	60 60	60 60	*60 61	50							
68 68	*68 68	68 68	65 65	65 65	70 65	26							
26 26	26 26	26 26	26 26	26 26	26 26	1,295							
*75 95	*75 95	*75 95	*75 95	*75 95	*75 95	100							
*65 67	*65 67	*65 67	*65 67	*65 67	*65 67	30							
*35 50	*35 50	*35 50	*35 50	*35 50	*35 50	860							
30 31	31 31	31 31	30 30	30 30	*30 33	326							
3 3	*2 3	3 3	3 3	3 3	3 3	1,055							
11 11	11 11	11 11	11 11	11 11	11 11	2,600							
10 10	10 10	10 10	10 10	10 10	*9 10	96							
20 25	20 25	20 25	20 25	20 25	20 25	945							
325 329	325 325	325 325	320 320	318 320	315 320	900							
24 25	24 24	24 24	24 24	24 24	24 24	331							
*11 13	*11 13	*11 13	*11 13	10 10	10 10	1,685							
39 39	39 39	39 39	40 39	40 41	40 41	1,677							
*4 4	*4 4	*4 4	*4 4	*4 4	*4 4	60							
98 98	98 98	98 98	98 98	98 98	98 98	400							
12 12	12 12	12 12	12 12	12 12	12 12	400							
28 3	*28 3	*28 3	*28 3	*28 3	*28 3	110							
43 51	*43 51	*43 51	*43 51	*43 51	*43 51	110							
*21 3	*21 3	*21 3	*21 3	*21 3	*21 3	110							
*70 1	*70 1	*70 1	*70 1	*70 1	*70 1	110							
45 45	*45 46	*45 46	*45 46	*45 46	*45 46	330							
*78 79	*78 80	*78 80	*78 80	*78 80	*78 80	100							
29 30	29 29	29 29	29 29	30 30	*30 31	290							
3 3	3 3	3 3	3 3	3 3	*3 4	100							
11 11	11 11	11 11	11 11	11 11	11 11	170							
*21 3	*21 3	*21 3	*21 3	*21 3	*21 3	135							
*2 2	*2 2	*2 2	*2 2	*2 2	*2 2	775							
4 4	4 4	4 4	4 4	4 4	4 4	1,840							
7 7	7 7	7 7	7 7	7 7	7 7	200							
42 42	*42 5	*42 5	*42 5	*42 5	*42 5	330							
60 62	61 61	61 61	61 61	64 64	61 62	740							
18 18	18 18	18 18	19 19	19 19	19 19	200							
61 61	*6 7	*6 7	*6 7	*6 7	*6 7	465							
*84 85	*85 86	*85 86	*85 86	*85 86	*85 86	372							
93 97	95 96	95 96	97 10	10 10	10 10	870							
18 19	18 19	18 19	19 19	20 20	20 20	11,032							
*50 50	*50 1	*50 1	*50 1	*50 1	*50 1	35							
*12 13	*12 13	*12 13	*12 13	*12 13	*12 13	699							
28 29	29 29	29 29	29 29	29 29	29 29	55							
44 44	44 44	44 44	43 43	44 44	44 44	26							



Outside Stock Exchanges

Boston Bond Record.—Transactions in bonds at Boston Stock Exchange May 3 to May 7, both inclusive:

Table with columns: Bonds, Friday Last Sale Price, Week's Range of Prices (Low, High), Sales for Week, Range since Jan. 1. (Low, High). Includes entries like US Lib Loan 3 1/2% 1932-47, 1st Lib Loan 4% 1932-47, etc.

Chicago Stock Exchange.—Record of transactions at Chicago Stock Exchange May 1 to May 7, both inclusive, compiled from official sales lists:

Table with columns: Stocks, Par, Friday Last Sale Price, Week's Range of Prices (Low, High), Sales for Week, Range since Jan. 1. (Low, High). Includes entries like Albert Plek & Co., American Radiator, Armour & Co, etc.

† No par value.

Pittsburgh Stock Exchange.—Record of transactions at Pittsburgh Stock Exchange May 3 to May 7, both inclusive, compiled from official sales lists:

Table with columns: Stocks, Par, Friday Last Sale Price, Week's Range of Prices (Low, High), Sales for Week, Range since Jan. 1. (Low, High). Includes entries like Amer Rolling Mill com, Amer Wind Glass Mach 100, etc.

Baltimore Stock Exchange.—Record of transactions at Baltimore Stock Exchange, May 3 to May 7, both inclusive, compiled from official sales lists:

Table with columns: Stocks, Par, Friday Last Sale Price, Week's Range of Prices (Low, High), Sales for Week, Range since Jan. 1. (Low, High). Includes entries like Arundel Corporation, Atlantic Petroleum, Big Vein Coal, etc.

Philadelphia Stock Exchange.—Record of transactions at Philadelphia Stock Exchange, May 3 to May 7, both inclusive, compiled from official sales lists:

Table with columns: Stocks, Par, Friday Last Sale Price, Week's Range of Prices (Low, High), Sales for Week, Range since Jan. 1. (Low, High). Includes entries like Alliance Insurance, American Gas, American Stores, etc.

Table with columns: Bonds, Friday Last Sale Price, Week's Range of Prices (Low, High), Sales for Week, Range since Jan. 1. (Low, High). Includes entries like US Lib Loan 3 1/2% 1932-47, 2d Lib Loan 4% 1932-47, etc.

New York "Curb" Market.—Below we give a record of the transactions in the outside security market from May 3 to May 7, both inclusive. It covers the week ending Friday afternoon.

It should be understood that no such reliability attaches to transactions on the "Curb" as to those on the regularly organized stock exchanges. On the "Curb" any security may be dealt in and any one can meet there and make prices and have them included in the lists of those who make it a business to furnish daily records of the transactions.



Week ending May 7.		Friday Last Sale.		Week's Range of Prices.		Sales for Week.		Range since Jan. 1.		Other Oil Stocks (Concluded)		Friday Last Sale.		Week's Range of Prices.		Sales for Week.		Range since Jan. 1.		
Stocks—	Par.	Low.	High.	Low.	High.	Low.	High.	Low.	High.	Low.	High.	Low.	High.	Low.	High.	Low.	High.	Low.	High.	
<b>Industrial &amp; Miscell.</b>																				
Acme Coal r.	1	2 1/4	3	10,640	1 1/4	Jan	4 1/4	Apr	Grenada Oil Corp cl A r.	11 1/4	9 1/2	12	8,700	6	Jan	16	Apr			
Aetna Explosives r (no par)	9 1/2	8 1/2	9 1/2	6,600	7	Mar	10	Apr	Guffey-Gillespie Oil r.	30 3/4	29	31	4,700	26 1/2	Feb	39 1/4	Jan			
Aluminum Mfrs. r (no par)	22	23 1/2	1,400	20	Feb	40	Jan	Gum Cove Oil, new r.	3	3	3	200	1 1/2	Jan	3	Feb				
Amalg Tire Stores r (*)	7	7	100	7	May	16 1/4	Jan	Harvey Crude Oil	3/4	3/4	3/4	4,900	9-16	Apr	1 1/2	Mar				
American Chicle r	100	44	44	160	43	Apr	68	Apr	Hercules Petroleum r	6	6	6	800	6	Apr	8	Apr			
Am Writing Paper, com 100	15 1/2	15 1/2	400	5	May	12 1/2	Jan	Houston Oil com r	100	85	90	1,100	81	Apr	151	Jan				
Arm Leather com r	15	15 1/2	3,000	15	Feb	18	Feb	Hudson Oil r	50	40	37	3,200	5-16	Apr	1 1/4	Jan				
Atlantic Fruit r (no par)	27 1/2	27 1/2	300	27 1/2	May	35	Jan	Internat Petrol r	21	36	34	6,000	33 1/2	Apr	77	Jan				
Austin Nichls & Co r (*)	21 1/2	21 1/2	400	19	Mar	3	Apr	Invincible Oil r	50	40	37	14,600	27	Feb	47	Apr				
Benford Auto Products r	5	2 1/2	300	27 1/2	May	27	Jan	Island Oil & Transport	10	5 1/2	5 1/2	7,800	4 1/2	Mar	8	Apr				
Brit-Amer Chem r	10	8 1/2	3,400	7 1/2	Jan	9 1/2	Jan	King Petroleum Corp r	1	2 1/2	2 1/2	7,600	2	Feb	3 1/2	Feb				
Brit Amer Tob ord	11	20 1/2	100	27 1/2	May	27	Jan	Livingston Oil Corp r	1	1 1/4	1 1/4	16,500	1	Mar	2 1/4	Jan				
Ordinary bearer	11	16 1/2	3,900	16 1/2	May	28 1/2	Jan	Lox Gas r	25	28 1/2	30	1,700	30	Apr	38	Feb				
Carbon Steel com r	100	93	310	90	May	142	Apr	Magna Oil & Refining	1	4 1/2	4 1/2	3,500	4	Mar	9	Jan				
Car Lig & Power r	25	3	4,100	2 1/2	Feb	3 1/2	Apr	Manhattan Oil r (no par)	10	17	7	700	7	Apr	9	Jan				
Case (J I) Plow Wks r	19 1/2	18	2,900	17	Feb	24 1/2	Apr	Merritt Oil Corp r	10	17	14	12,600	14	May	22 1/2	Jan				
Cities Service, pref r	100	66 1/2	100	66 1/2	May	74	Jan	Metex Petrol Corp r	5	3 1/2	3 1/2	5,600	3 1/2	Apr	5	Mar				
Cities Serv Bankers shs r	100	38 1/2	39 1/2	5,000	37 1/2	Feb	44 1/2	Jan	Metropolitan Petroleum	25	4	4	4,000	2 1/2	Jan	4 1/2	Apr			
Cleve Auto Co new r	100	75 1/2	81	22,800	55	Feb	91	Mar	Mexico Oil Corp	10	14	13 1/2	700	1 1/2	Mar	4 1/2	Jan			
Colombia Synd r (no par)	100	10 1/2	2,500	10 1/2	May	10 1/2	May	Midwest Refining r	50	144	140	7,000	140	May	180	Jan				
Colombian Em'ld Synd new	100	5	1,900	5	May	25	Jan	Midwest-Texas Oil r	1	3-16	3-16	4,500	3 1/2	Mar	3 1/2	Jan				
Conley Tin Fom r	100	22	23	1,600	20 1/2	May	29	Jan	Noble Oil & Gas	1	1 1/2	1 1/2	6,700	1 1-16	Apr	1 1/2	Apr			
Cuban-Am Sug new w l	10	54	57	8,700	39	Mar	64	Apr	North American Oil r	5	3 1/2	3 1/2	1,800	3	Feb	5 1/2	Jan			
Davis (Wm) Co, Inc r (*)	41	41	41 1/2	800	39	Feb	50	Jan	Ohio Fuel Oil r	1	30	24	30	2,575	24	May	35	Mar		
Empire Steel & Iron com r	100	33	40	250	32	Apr	53	Apr	Oklahoma Nat Gas r	25	35	33	11,150	33	May	42 1/2	Mar			
Preferred r	100	80	80	100	32	Apr	53	Apr	Oklahoma & Tex Petrol r	1	1 1/2	1 1/2	16,500	1 1/2	Apr	1 1/2	Apr			
Farrell (Wm) & Son com r	100	41	44	2,500	35	Feb	54	Apr	Omar Oil & Gas r	10	4 1/2	4 1/2	2,400	4 1/2	May	7 1/2	Jan			
Garland Steamship r	100	5 1/2	4 1/2	1,100	4 1/2	May	5 1/2	May	Panhandle Pr&Ref com r	10	14 1/2	15	600	14 1/2	May	26	Jan			
Gen Asphalt, com r	100	69 1/2	63 1/2	36,500	63 1/2	May	130	Jan	Preferred r	100	75	75 1/2	200	75	May	90	Jan			
Gen Motors, old com r	100	301	300	700	300	May	310	May	Penn Oil r	10	2	2	800	2	Apr	8 1/2	Jan			
Godschaug Sug, com r	100	60	60	300	55	Apr	60	May	Penn Gasoline, new	10	2	2	800	2	Apr	8 1/2	Jan			
Goldwyn Picture r (no par)	24 1/2	21	26	16,000	21	Mar	34	Jan	Phillips Petrol, com r	10	33	30 1/2	9,200	30 1/2	Apr	89 1/2	Jan			
Grape Oil Prod Corp com 1	1	1 1/2	1 1/2	2,700	1	Jan	1 1/2	Mar	Producers & Ref r	10	8	7 1/2	7,300	7 1/2	Feb	10 1/2	Jan			
Preferred r	1	2 1/2	2 1/2	3,400	1	Jan	2 1/2	May	Red Rock Oil & Gas r	5	3/4	3/4	2,700	3/4	Apr	1 1/2	Mar			
Havana Tobacco, com r	100	3	3	100	1	Apr	3	May	Rickard Texas Co r	5	3 1/2	3 1/2	800	3 1/2	Apr	3	Apr			
Hercules Paper r (no par)	24 1/2	22	26 1/2	5,200	14 1/2	Mar	33	Apr	Ryan Petroleum r	1	3 1/4	3 1/4	5,500	2 1/2	Mar	4 1/2	Jan			
Heyden Chem r (no par)	5 1/2	5	6 1/2	7,800	4	Mar	7 1/2	Mar	Salt Creek Producers r	25	38	36	6,200	36	May	56	Feb			
Hydraulic Steel, com r	100	33	36 1/2	900	30 1/2	Feb	43	Jan	Sequoyah Oil & Ref	1	7-16	3/4	16,400	5-16	Jan	3 1/2	Jan			
Imp Tob of G B & I r	100	10	10	200	9 1/2	Apr	17	Jan	Simms Petroleum r (no par)	1	19 1/2	18 1/2	6,800	17 1/2	Apr	73 1/2	Jan			
Indian Packing Corp r	100	10	10 1/2	2,600	10	May	20	Jan	Skelly Oil Co r	10	10 1/2	10 1/2	8,700	9	Feb	13 1/2	Jan			
Intercontinental Rubb 100	1	10	11	525	10	Feb	17	Jan	South States Cons Corp r	1	20 1/2	17	900	1 1/2	Apr	1 1/2	Jan			
Key County r	1	2	2 1/2	10,500	1 1/2	Feb	2 1/2	Apr	Spencer Petrol Corp	10	9-16	9-16	7,500	17	May	22 1/2	Mar			
Keystone Soletier r	10	16	16	200	13	Feb	18 1/2	Apr	Stanton Oil, new r	5	2 1/2	2 1/2	725	2 1/2	Feb	3 1/2	Mar			
Libby, McNeil & Libby r	10	28	26 1/2	4,200	19	Jan	32	Apr	Superior Oil Corp (no par)	1	17 1/2	17	1,800	11 1/2	Feb	20	Mar			
Lig-Mar Coal Mining r	1	1 1/2	1 1/2	3,600	1 1/2	Apr	1 1/2	Apr	Suras Cons Oil r	10	17	17	800	19	Mar	47 1/2	Jan			
Lima Locom, com r	100	78	78	100	72	Feb	92	Mar	Texas Pac Coal & Oil r	10	82	70	4,900	70	Mar	11 1/2	Jan			
Lincoln Mot Co cl A r	50	46	46 1/2	700	45	Mar	53	Jan	Texas-Ranger Prod & R	1	1	1 1/2	6,000	15-16	Apr	1 1/2	Jan			
Locomobile Co r	100	10	11	500	10	May	25	Jan	Trinity Oil & Land	1	3/4	3/4	45,100	3/4	Apr	1 1/2	Jan			
Mercer Motors r (no par)	100	18	19 1/2	1,100	17	Mar	39	Jan	Trinity Oil Corp r	1	1 1/2	1 1/2	3,600	1 1/2	Feb	1	Jan			
Nat Fireproofing, com r	50	7 1/2	7 1/2	1,200	7	May	10	Apr	Tropical Oil Corp r	5	18 1/2	18 1/2	800	15	Feb	23 1/2	Jan			
Preferred r	50	16 1/2	16 1/2	1,800	13 1/2	Mar	20 1/2	Apr	United Tex Petrol r	1	1	3/4	7,000	3/4	Mar	1 1/2	Jan			
National Ice & Coal r	100	40 1/2	40 1/2	900	40	May	46	Mar	Valverde Oil Prop r	10	6	6	200	6	Apr	9 1/2	Mar			
Nor Am Pulp & Paper r	100	5 1/2	5 1/2	5,800	4 1/2	Feb	6 1/2	Jan	Valterial Oil r	1	1 1/2	1 1/2	8,000	1 1/2	Jan	3 1/2	Jan			
Orpheum Circuit com r	1	30 1/2	28 1/2	2,300	28 1/2	Apr	37	Jan	Vulcan Oil r	5	4 1/2	4 1/2	9,900	4 1/2	Apr	9 1/2	Jan			
Packard Mot Car, com r	10	22	22	300	20	Mar	28	Mar	Whelan Oil r	1	1	1	2,100	1	Jan	1	Jan			
Perfection T & R r	100	2 1/2	2 1/2	5,700	2 1/2	May	5 1/2	Jan	White Oil Corp r (no par)	24	20 1/2	27	9,000	20 1/2	May	50	Jan			
Pressmen Fire & Rub r	10	2 1/2	2 1/2	1,600	1 1/2	Apr	5 1/2	Mar	Woodburn Oil Corp r	10	4 1/2	4 1/2	800	4 1/2	May	8 1/2	Jan			
Prinz Biederman Co	25	35 1/2	35 1/2	4,700	35 1/2	May	35 1/2	May	<b>Mining Stocks—</b>											
Radio Corp of Am r	100	2 1/2	2 1/2	2,900	2 1/2	Jan	3	Jan	Alaska-Brit Col Metals	1	1 1/2	1 1/2	29,100	1 1/2	Feb	2 1/2	Apr			
Preferred r	100	41	41	5,050	41	Feb	4 1/2	Jan	Arizona Silver r	1	11-16	3/4	3,000	11-16	May	6 1/2	Jan			
Ranier Motor r (no par)	10	41	45	3,750	30	Apr	54 1/2	Apr	Belcher-Divide r	10	80	80	17,200	80	Jan	350	Jan			
Republic Rubber r (no par)	100	42	45	3,200	42	May	45	May	Belcher Extension	10	80	70	15,950	6 1/2	Apr	490	Jan			
Rey ds (R) Tob new w l	25	43 1/2	42	45	3,200	42	May	45	May	Big Ledge Copper Co	5	3/4	3-16	16,100	3-16	May	9-16	Jan		
B com, old	100	510	530	75	510	May	530	May	Booth r	1	60	40	17,100	40	May	70	Jan			
Rockaway Roll Mills r	100	10 1/2	10 1/2	200	6	Mar	13 1/2	Apr	Boston & Montana Dev	5	76 1/2	740	910	64,600	580	Apr	910	Apr		
Root & Vandervoort, com 100	100	45	45	100	45	Mar	54 1/2	Jan	Caledonia Mining	1	310	300	320	10,100	290	Apr	420	Jan		
Santa Cecilia Sug new r	100	17 1/2	19 1/2	1,200																



Table with columns: Bonds (Concluded), Friday Last Sale Price, Week's Range for Price, Sales for Week, Range Since Jan. 1. Includes various bond listings like Belgian Govt Ext 6s, External 6s, etc.

New York City Realty and Surety Companies. All prices dollars per share. Table listing various companies like Alliance R'ty, Amer Surety, Bond & M.G., City Investing, etc.

Quotations for Sundry Securities

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

Table of Standard Oil Stocks, RR. Equipments, and other securities. Columns include company names, par values, bid/ask prices, and basis.

Table of Ordnance Stocks, Tobacco Stocks, and Public Utilities. Columns include company names, par values, bid/ask prices, and basis.

CURRENT NOTICES

In accordance with the announcement made in these columns March 20, the firm of Ware & Leland, of New York and Chicago, dissolved on May 1, being succeeded in New York by H. Herbert Ware, Sefton Tranter and J. Herbert Ware Jr., under the firm name of Ware & Tranter, members of New York Stock Exchange, New York Coffee and Sugar Exchange, Chicago Stock Exchange and Chicago Board of Trade.

The Guaranty Trust Co. of New York has been appointed trustee under the Department of Antioquia, Republic of Colombia, trust and Financial Agency Agreement dated April 26 1920, securing an authorized issue of \$10,000,000 7% External Secured Gold bonds, \$3,500,000 of which are to be known as "Series A" and are to be dated July 1 1920 and become due July 1 1935.

The Guaranty Trust Co. of New York has been appointed transfer agent of stock of the Chadwick-Hoskins Co.; of the capital stock of the Chontales Mines, Ltd.; registrar of the capital stock of the Brooks Steamship Corp., and of the stock of the Creole Syndicate Corp.; also as registrar and transfer agent of the Capital stock of the Consolidated Oil Fields Corp.

The Guaranty Trust Co. of New York has been appointed transfer agent of 1st Pref. stock of the Appalachian Power Co. The Guaranty Trust Co. already acts as transfer agent for the Common and Preferred stock of this company.

Messrs. Newburger, Henderson & Loeb, members of the New York Stock Exchange, have just issued the fourth addition of their compilation entitled "Tracing Industrial Corporation Profits" and copies are available upon request.

Carl H. Pforzheimer & Co., dealers in Standard Oil securities, have prepared a circular giving a record of the market action over a period of years of stocks of Standard Oil companies which have declared stock distributions.

Hornblower & Weeks announce that they have the privilege of being connected by private wires with thirty-eight well-known firms having offices in various cities. See advertising pages, this issue.

Medley Scovil, Inc., agents specializing in banking and export advertising, have moved from 25 Pine St., this city, to more commodious quarters on the twelfth floor of the Broad Exchange Building, 25 Broad St.

Canada Bond Corporation, Ltd., of Toronto and London, is opening a New York office at 52 Broadway, this city, under the management of S. B. O'Hara.

Field, Richards & Co. have moved their offices from 100 Broadway to 52 Broadway, this city.

Morgan Van Woert announces the removal of his offices from 52 to 60 Broadway, this city.

New York City Banks and Trust Companies

All prices dollars per share.

Table listing various banks and trust companies in New York City, including American, Chase, Citicorp, etc., with columns for bid/ask prices and par values.

Table listing various public utilities and other companies, including Amer Gas & Elec, Amer Lf & Trac, etc., with columns for bid/ask prices and par values.

\* Banks marked with a (\*) are State banks. † Sale at auction or at Stock Exchange this week. ‡ New stock. ‡ Ex-dividend. † Ex-rights

\* Per share b Basis. d Purchaser also pays accrued dividend c New stock. f Flat price n Nominal ‡ Ex-dividend. † Ex-rights



Investment and Railroad Intelligence.

RAILROAD GROSS EARNINGS

The following table shows the gross earnings of various STEAM roads 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 Jan. 1 to and including the latest week or month. The returns of the electric railways are brought together separately on a subsequent page.

Main table with columns: ROADS, Latest Gross Earnings (Week or Month, Current Year, Previous Year), Jan. 1 to Latest Date (Current Year, Previous Year). Lists various railroads and their earnings data.

AGGREGATE OF GROSS EARNINGS—Weekly and Monthly.

Summary table with columns: \*Weekly Summaries (Current Year, Previous Year, Increase or Decrease, %), \*Monthly Summaries (Curr. Yr., Prev. Yr., Current Year, Previous Year, Increase or Decrease, %). Shows aggregate earnings trends.

\* We no longer include Mexican roads in any of our totals.



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

Roads.	Gross Earnings		Net Earnings	
	Current Year.	Previous Year.	Current Year.	Previous Year.
Alabama & Vicksb. b. Mar	233,939	215,778	56,639	10,521
Jan 1 to Mar 31	778,300	663,958	151,390	44,866
Atch Top & Santa Fe. b. Mar	16,075,181	12,494,210	3,046,552	1,832,591
Jan 1 to Mar 31	53,043,814	38,091,433	17,001,271	7,352,122
Gulf Colo & S Fe. b. Mar	2,101,386	1,404,707	286,600	113,631
Jan 1 to Mar 31	6,623,579	4,263,237	1,022,509	691,614
Panhandle & S Fe. b. Mar	651,809	372,125	def75,682	def110,368
Jan 1 to Mar 31	1,956,148	1,141,636	def28,641	def359,475
Atlantic Coast Line. b. Mar	5,959,248	5,801,391	1,110,160	765,149
Jan 1 to Mar 31	19,338,193	16,648,457	4,551,356	3,115,875
B & O Chic Term. b. Mar	238,526	120,485	def24,564	def73,505
Jan 1 to Mar 31	646,864	351,247	def101,763	def297,069
Bangor & Aroostook. b. Mar	498,250	460,175	def26,172	55,226
Jan 1 to Mar 31	1,451,593	1,349,734	def30,866	119,440
Bessemer & Lake Erie. b. Mar	606,573	662,122	def123,834	def45,907
Jan 1 to Mar 31	1,877,056	1,950,503	def237,375	def118,208
Bingham & Garfield. b. Mar	137,205	81,592	40,430	def25,016
Jan 1 to Mar 31	440,300	355,146	118,871	9,691
Birmingham Southern. b. Mar	48,668	54,218	def657	14,440
Jan 1 to Mar 31	121,650	169,040	def2,178	54,381
Central of Georgia. b. Mar	2,073,346	1,738,687	341,562	92,078
Jan 1 to Mar 31	6,465,314	4,943,494	1,223,163	246,475
Central Vermont. b. Mar	531,000	397,772	def58,408	def65,017
Jan 1 to Mar 31	1,446,445	1,196,574	def414,834	def204,325
Charles & W Caro. b. Mar	256,345	268,433	def6,453	36,914
Jan 1 to Mar 31	842,588	763,448	21,001	85,075
Chesapeake & Ohio. b. Mar	6,200,932	5,271,819	1,008,106	780,404
Jan 1 to Mar 31	18,856,924	16,099,938	2,993,332	2,199,304
Chic & East Illinois. b. Mar	2,311,007	1,806,854	182,884	def269,838
Jan 1 to Mar 31	7,301,144	5,626,610	1,109,807	def475,151
Chicago Great West. b. Mar	1,638,789	1,579,748	def16,298	174,677
Jan 1 to Mar 31	5,818,118	4,844,428	500,908	490,240
Cinc Ind & Western. b. Mar	378,556	220,452	32,865	def4,822
Jan 1 to Mar 31	1,074,558	660,093	def12,612	def104,085
Cinc N O & Tex Pac. b. Mar	1,470,821	1,330,638	257,914	133,715
Jan 1 to Mar 31	4,748,478	4,136,656	910,063	722,134
Colorado & South. b. Mar	987,908	1,053,027	201,706	196,932
Jan 1 to Mar 31	3,421,825	3,122,998	945,805	669,563
Trin & Brazos Vall. b. Mar	174,173	95,411	def18,020	def62,630
Jan 1 to Mar 31	487,996	309,765	def155,249	def149,684
Colorado & Wyoming. b. Mar	78,358	93,939	def2,558	14,030
Jan 1 to Mar 31	187,549	290,625	2,399	55,156
Denver & Salt Lake. b. Mar	136,798	169,195	def126,108	111,389
Jan 1 to Mar 31	645,873	471,123	def301,472	def318,543
Detroit Tol & Iron. b. Mar	408,537	268,145	80,265	def71,464
Jan 1 to Mar 31	1,148,106	914,915	74,868	def172,231
Detroit & Mackinac. b. Mar	172,129	139,267	29,404	def8,573
Jan 1 to Mar 31	425,230	343,717	def65,356	def2,521
Duluth & Iron Range. b. Mar	127,024	151,206	def185,537	def123,562
Jan 1 to Mar 31	397,609	377,173	def529,822	def440,980
Duluth Winn & Pac. b. Mar	200,184	203,597	21,302	45,319
Jan 1 to Mar 31	584,968	539,673	85,728	95,433
DulSo Sh & Atl. b. Mar	272,646	322,106	def41,119	575
Jan 1 to Mar 31	1,031,085	956,953	def136,587	def36,549
DulMissabe & Nor. b. Mar	207,470	212,618	def281,719	def117,984
Jan 1 to Mar 31	521,648	598,117	def973,188	def158,727
Erie. b. Mar	8,500,416	6,439,133	751,042	def688,615
Jan 1 to Mar 31	23,701,545	19,729,516	def710,137	def1,189,063
Chicago & Erie. b. Mar	887,603	807,993	192,039	77,118
Jan 1 to Mar 31	2,654,947	2,436,162	228,760	273,487
Florida East Coast. b. Mar	1,315,133	990,131	538,773	124,791
Jan 1 to Mar 31	3,992,819	2,965,791	1,611,520	480,340
Ft Smith & Western. b. Mar	146,298	122,243	def8,519	13,003
Jan 1 to Mar 31	454,658	347,702	def6,643	33,728
Galveston Wharf. b. Mar	102,310	57,001	19,358	8,358
Jan 1 to Mar 31	274,364	194,925	25,283	43,822
Grand Trunk West. b. Mar	1,466,656	1,073,047	417,616	301,126
Jan 1 to Mar 31	3,879,829	2,964,504	488,258	628,974
Gulf & Ship Island. b. Mar	228,896	195,246	8,920	887
Jan 1 to Mar 31	692,000	539,211	7,693	def13,965
Gulf Mobile & Nor. b. Mar	303,064	198,480	20,071	def16,470
Jan 1 to Mar 31	886,414	573,642	def18,162	def42,311
Hocking Valley. b. Mar	1,117,081	500,190	166,955	def75,062
Jan 1 to Mar 31	3,312,719	1,451,010	493,171	def470,015
Internat & Grt Nor. b. Mar	1,261,695	1,033,187	283,216	284,383
Jan 1 to Mar 31	4,306,792	3,168,330	def112,440	def392,029
K C Mex & Orient. b. Mar	108,673	92,947	def35,631	def52,850
Jan 1 to Mar 31	401,102	226,418	def151,745	def195,287
K C Mex & Or of Tex. b. Mar	126,816	94,933	def43,909	def43,109
Jan 1 to Mar 31	455,984	237,722	def118,038	def203,181
Kansas City South. b. Mar	1,351,856	1,112,776	159,731	52,133
Jan 1 to Mar 31	4,389,234	3,510,732	808,363	358,097
Lehigh & Hud River. b. Mar	158,548	184,451	def21,973	7,974
Jan 1 to Mar 31	494,647	578,219	def45,643	53,184
Los Ang & Salt Lake. b. Mar	1,640,202	1,431,075	588,984	313,617
Jan 1 to Mar 31	4,654,826	4,036,976	1,359,176	943,296
Louisiana & Arkansas. b. Mar	378,348	170,038	122,958	def18,364
Jan 1 to Mar 31	1,072,207	515,860	393,928	def5,185
Louisville & Nashville. b. Mar	9,275,447	8,794,551	811,530	1,410,502
Jan 1 to Mar 31	29,656,678	25,005,561	3,094,672	3,157,375
Louis Hend & St L. b. Mar	249,263	227,727	93,546	47,200
Jan 1 to Mar 31	747,330	686,183	221,738	133,744
Maine Central. b. Mar	1,340,452	1,338,677	def277,644	def125,674
Jan 1 to Mar 31	3,969,179	4,026,800	def308,200	def328,223
Mineral Range. b. Mar	45,498	73,720	def11,599	2,646
Jan 1 to Mar 31	146,884	251,296	def51,131	16,323
Minneapolis & St Louis. b. Mar	1,204,628	1,011,632	64,418	27,047
Jan 1 to Mar 31	3,855,959	2,803,200	381,224	def253,243
Mississippi Central. b. Mar	91,070	91,713	def25,265	2,631
Jan 1 to Mar 31	225,841	234,320	def162,293	def30,505
Mo Kan & Texas. b. Mar	2,686,841	2,539,440	335,880	155,272
Jan 1 to Mar 31	9,156,867	7,537,658	1,517,484	425,153
Missouri & No Ark. b. Mar	159,246	128,620	2,108	def46,744
Jan 1 to Mar 31	470,388	363,268	def58,730	def183,153
Missouri Pacific. b. Mar	8,008,850	6,737,363	431,370	182,174
Jan 1 to Mar 31	27,947,009	20,602,727	4,591,762	620,965
Nashv Chatt & St L. b. Mar	1,723,690	1,533,492	179,532	def67,119
Jan 1 to Mar 31	5,786,994	4,416,852	388,502	def263,778
Nevada Northern. b. Mar	149,842	114,084	35,298	35,786
Jan 1 to Mar 31	473,240	424,706	153,377	163,414
New Or Tex & Mex. b. Mar	199,745	164,266	53,751	36,126
Jan 1 to Mar 31	556,484	407,182	78,284	21,765
Beaum S L & West. b. Mar	174,590	71,721	69,508	def28,436
Jan 1 to Mar 31	476,043	307,066	128,876	7,302
St L Browns & M. b. Mar	617,180	402,470	185,065	126,783
Jan 1 to Mar 31	1,655,988	1,171,805	261,814	340,997

Roads.	Gross Earnings		Net Earnings	
	Current Year.	Previous Year.	Current Year.	Previous Year.
New Or & Nor East. b. Mar	552,888	521,379	\$5,611	\$20,339
Jan 1 to Mar 31	1,936,906	1,478,427	42,716	17,882
New Or Great Nor. b. Mar	224,877	183,607	42,351	3,544
Jan 1 to Mar 31	619,940	527,157	60,351	40,216
New York Central System—				
Cincinnati North. b. Mar	279,845	224,861	136,482	49,688
Jan 1 to Mar 31	772,268	653,187	238,472	117,781
Cleve C & St L. b. Mar	7,046,588	5,126,885	2,317,072	967,581
Jan 1 to Mar 31	21,167,601	15,445,290	6,397,388	2,575,247
Lake Erie & West. b. Mar	751,267	775,355	77,929	39,199
Jan 1 to Mar 31	2,457,204	2,232,965	247,654	33,303
Pitts & Lake Erie. b. Mar	2,518,195	2,413,920	231,580	96,763
Jan 1 to Mar 31	8,555,812	7,581,802	884,163	1,258,935
N Y Chic & St Louis. b. Mar	2,346,256	2,035,860	700,955	552,279
Jan 1 to Mar 31	6,617,835	6,114,762	1,476,094	1,536,350
N Y Susq & West. b. Mar	362,592	270,606	8,861	def32,526
Jan 1 to Mar 31	1,002,334	875,049	def279,442	3,765
Norfolk & Western. b. Mar	4,804,575	5,844,391	def1,228,066	1,133,535
Jan 1 to Mar 31	17,877,488	17,776,725	99,572	3,093,492
Northern Alabama. b. Mar	119,973	98,382	38,426	def3,604
Jan 1 to Mar 31	385,641	325,187	108,614	def2,875
Northern Pacific. b. Mar	8,247,855	7,423,001	644,395	1,409,541
Jan 1 to Mar 31	25,821,402	22,202,066	4,705,032	4,913,702
Northwestern Pacific. b. Mar	496,389	382,433	70,368	def25,796
Jan 1 to Mar 31	1,538,730	1,128,910	156,265	def55,267
Pacific Coast. a. Mar	565,936	415,839	83,081	61,052
July 1 to Mar 31	4,068,001	4,184,745	424,702	569,778
Pennsylvania System—				
Balt Ches & Atl. b. Mar	116,730	97,217	def8,476	def4,986
Jan 1 to Mar 31	257,706	274,287	91,086	def7,455
Mary'd Del & Va. b. Mar	87,228	87,312	def21,958	def5,290
Jan 1 to Mar 31	191,156	244,320	def111,204	def11,344
Tol Peoria & West. b. Mar	155,866	111,751	42,732	def22,320
Jan 1 to Mar 31	498,981	385,600	61,298	def14,767
Peoria & Pekin Union. b. Mar	133,417	96,510	def3,229	def38,518
Jan 1 to Mar 31	447,311	293,000	18,462	def91,933
Pittsb & Shawmut. b. Mar	147,449	66,788	32,974	def60,609
Jan 1 to Mar 31	393,867	258,616	61,098	def67,364
St Joseph & Gr Isl. b. Mar	259,483	207,921	15,514	def38,093
Jan 1 to Mar 31	809,450	655,345	57,108	def61,121
St Louis San Fran. b. Mar	7,262,462	5,913,473	1,735,075	942,787
Jan 1 to Mar 31	21,472,622	17,514,464	4,080,317	2,528,790
San Antonio & Ar Pass. b. Mar	338,775	279,419	def29,726	def112,06



Table with columns: Name of Road or Company, Latest Gross Earnings (Current Year, Previous Year), Jan. 1 to Latest Date (Current Year, Previous Year). Lists various railroads and utility companies with their respective earnings.

Table with columns: Name of Road or Company, Month, Gross Earnings, Net after Taxes, Fixed Charges, Balance, Surplus. Includes entries for Tennessee Ry, Lt Power Co and Honolulu Rapid Transit Co.

z After allowing for other income received.

FINANCIAL REPORTS

Financial Reports.—An index to annual reports of steam railroads, street railway and miscellaneous companies which have been published during the preceding month will be given on the last Saturday of each month.

Atchison Topeka & Santa Fe Railway.

(25th Annual Report—Year ended Dec. 31 1919.)

The text of the report, signed by President W. B. Storey, together with the income account, comparative balance sheet as of Dec. 31, will be found on subsequent pages of this issue.—V. 110, p. 1526.

Lehigh Valley Railroad.

(66th Annual Report—Year ended Dec. 31 1919.)

President E. E. Loomis, Philadelphia, April 2, wrote in substance:

Company Again in Possession.—On March 1 1920 Government control ended. The Transportation Act 1920 (V. 110, p. 720) will probably, if fairly administered by the Inter-State Commerce Commission, work to the benefit of your property.

Funded Debt.—The following obligations, aggregating \$2,500,000, matured, were redeemed and canceled during 1919: Collateral Trust 4% bonds, \$1,000,000; installments of Equipment Trust Series "L," "M," "O," "R," \$1,500,000.

On Dec. 31 1919 the company held in its treasury the following \$9,100,000 securities of its own issue: Collateral Trust 4% bonds, \$3,400,000; General Consol. Mortgage bonds, \$4,750,000; Equipment Trust Certificates, Series "M," \$800,000; Series "O," \$1,500,000; Series "R," \$1,200,000; total, \$9,100,000.

The \$6,000,000 Easton & Amboy guaranteed 5s, due May 1920, have been extended to May 1 1922 at 5% interest. See V. 110, p. 1290.—Ed.]

Taxes.—There was accrued during the year for taxes the sum of \$316,667 of which \$214,667 represented war taxes. Taxes on the property used for operating purposes, amounting to \$1,822,986, were assumed by the U. S. Government.

Additions, &c.—There was expended during the year for additions and betterments of road and equipment \$4,894,647, including \$1,402,049 improvements on subsidiary properties owned by the company [notably \$2,619,983 for locomotives, \$591,076 for shops and engine houses, \$566,734 for ties, rails and other track material.]

Nineteen Pacific type locomotives ordered in 1916 were received, as were 29 Santa Fe freight locomotives ordered at the same time. Seven Santa Fe engines were due from builders and have been delivered since Dec. 31.

In accordance with order of I.-S. C. Commission, 643 of our engines were equipped with electric headlights; the balance will be finished by the required date (July 1). Equipping the 1,027 engines in accordance with this rule will cost \$231,075; 161 box cars (80,000-lb. capacity) were equipped with steel ends.

The total number of locomotives on hand Dec. 31 was 1,027, with a tractive power of 39,305,898 lbs.; freight cars, 42,544 with a capacity of 1,622,717.5 tons.

The 2,300 coal and gondola cars referred to in the last report as allocated to your company were assigned by the Government to other lines in need of such equipment.

Renewals Under Federal Control.—During the three years before Government operation an average of 867,155 ties was placed in our tracks annually. In 1918, under Federal management, only 589,997 were installed, and in 1919 only 662,031, or an average of 241,141 ties a year less than the test period average.

Of steel rails, the average number of tons laid during the test period was 20,092 tons annually. Only 13,626 tons were laid in 1918 and 15,082 in 1919, an average for the two years of 14,354 tons annually.

Wages.—In 1919 the Government continued to grant increased pay to various classes of employees, \$34,857,043 was paid in wages, an increase of 41.8% over 1917, the last year before Government control. In the same time the freight tonnage decreased 694,503,030 ton miles, or 10.4%.

Demands for large increases in wages were pending at the end of Government control.

Claims.—Loss and damage claims on freight paid during the year amounted to \$1,545,420, an increase of \$699,979, due largely to the spirit of lawlessness throughout the country as shown by losses through pilfering. The department made 3,449 arrests, obtaining convictions in 3,338 cases, and there were 31 cases still pending Dec. 31.

Cost of Supplies.—The past year saw continued increases in the cost of the materials consumed. Coal used in locomotives for example, cost the company in 1917 \$6,292,154, an average price of \$2 63 a ton. The same quantity in 1919, when the average cost was \$3 68 a ton, would have cost \$8,801,197, an increase of \$2,509,043.

New Industries Served.—Twenty-nine new industries with direct track connections were located on the Lehigh Valley during the year; 7,973 feet of new industrial sidings were constructed.

Under Government operation all the agencies formerly maintained by the company in large business producing centres away from its rails were discontinued and by this and the routing methods adopted, much valuable traffic heretofore enjoyed was diverted to other lines. These agencies have now been reinstated.

Stockholders.—On Dec. 31 there were 16,942 stockholders; average holding 71.54 shares, an increase compared with 1918 of 3.355, or 24.7%.

GENERAL STATISTICS FOR CALENDAR YEARS.

Table with columns: 1919, 1918, 1917. Lists various statistics including Tons revenue freight, Freight revenue, Average revenue per ton, Passengers carried, etc.

a Includes Milwaukee Light, Heat & Traction Co. b Includes all sources. f Earnings given in milreis. g Includes constituent or subsidiary companies. h Subsidiary companies only. k Includes Tennessee Ry., Light & Power Co., the Nashville Ry. & Light Co., the Tennessee Power Co. and the Chattanooga Ry. & Light Co. l Includes both elevated and subway lines j Of Abington and Rockland (Mass.).

Electric Railway and Other Public Utility Net Earnings.—The following table gives the returns of ELECTRIC railway and other public utility gross and net earnings with charges and surplus reported this week:

Table with columns: Companies, Gross Earnings (Current Year, Previous Year), Net Earnings (Current Year, Previous Year). Lists companies like Alabama Power Co, Illinois Traction Co, etc.

a Net earnings here given are after deducting taxes.

Table with columns: Companies, Gross Earnings, Net after Taxes, Fixed Charges, Balance, Surplus. Lists companies like Bangor Ry & Elec Co, Chattanooga Ry & Light Co, etc.



CORPORATE INCOME ACCOUNT FOR CALENDAR YEARS.

Table with columns for 1919 and 1918. Rows include Compensation due from U. S. RR. Administration, Other Corporate Income, Miscellaneous rent income, etc.

FEDERAL ADMINISTRATION OPERATING STATEMENT.

Table with columns for 1919, 1918, and 1917. Rows include Average miles operated, Operating Revenues, Merchandise freight, etc.

BALANCE SHEET DECEMBER 31.

Table with columns for 1919 and 1918. Rows include Assets (Road & equip't., Impts. on leased, etc.) and Liabilities (Common stock, Preferred stock, etc.).

a After deducting \$30,000,000 funded debt held in treasury. b Represents only road property of Lehigh Valley RR. proper (Easton to Wilkes-Barre). c The substantial changes in these accounts result from adjustment of the investment accounts as they appeared prior to July 1 1907.

Denver & Rio Grande Railroad.

(34th Annual Report—Year ended Dec. 31 1919.)

Secretary J. P. Howland, New York, April 1, presents substantially the following data obtained from Receiver Alexander R. Baldwin and the U. S. RR. Administration:

Operations.—The total operating revenues of \$33,016,257 represented \$12,733 per operated mile of road. The revenue from freight traffic decreased \$535,050, or 2.2%.

Passenger revenues increased \$2,000,194, or 40.6%. The number of passengers carried increased 13%. The average revenue per passenger mile increased 9.7%.

Operating expenses increased \$363,496, or 1.4%. Expenditures for maintenance of way and structures were \$1,873 per operated mile, or \$98 more than previous year.

Table with columns for Gross and Net. Rows include REVENUES PER MILE OF ROAD AS OF DEC. 31 AND JUNE 30 for years 1919a through 1915b.

Funded Debt.—A total of \$348,500 First and Refunding Mtg. 5% bonds was purchased for sinking fund and deposited with the trustee.

Road and Equipment.—Expenditures under this account during the year were: Road, \$1,044,359; additions and betterments to equipment, \$67,879; general expenditures, \$42,229; total, \$1,154,467.

The figures representing charges to road and equipment have not all been accepted by the receiver for the corporation and are subject to a final audit. New 90-lb. rail, requiring 7,549 tons and replacing lighter rail, was placed in 53 miles of track.

At Soldier Summit, Utah, the new terminal mentioned in last year's report was 70% complete and placed in operation Nov. 20 1919, the 30% not completed representing yard tracks and various buildings.

Federal Valuation.—Physical valuation of the property conducted under the direction of the Federal Government, along with engineering and accounting work, is about 68% complete.

Goshen Valley RR.—This corporation, owned by Utah capital, commenced operating Nov. 6 1919 a standard-gauge line 8.81 miles in length from Pearl Junction, Utah, on the D. & R. G. RR., to Dividend and Iron King, Utah, in the Tintic Mining District.

Western Pacific Loss Charged to Profit and Loss.—Mr. Baldwin, receiver, authorized in April 1919 the charging off to profit and loss of \$37,930,478, being the value as of March 5 1915 of investments in securities of the Western Pacific Railway Co., representing cash, labor, material, &c., advanced that company for construction purposes.

RAILS—BALLAST—YEAR ENDING DEC. 31 1919.

Table with columns for Miles Owned or Leased, Weight per Yard, and Total. Rows include (1) Rails—Standard Gauge, First track, Additional track, etc.

EQUIPMENT AS OF DEC. 31 1919, 1918 AND 1917.

Table with columns for 1919, 1918, 1917. Rows include Locomotives, Freight cars, Passenger cars, Other cars.

COMMODITIES CARRIED FOR CALENDAR YEARS.

Table with columns for 1919, 1918, 1917. Rows include Agricultural, Animals, Coal & Coke, Ore, &c., Forest, Mfrs., &c.

TRAFFIC STATISTICS FOR YEARS ENDING DEC. 31.

Table with columns for 1919, 1918, 1917. Rows include Average miles operated, Passengers carried, Revenue freight carried, etc.

INCOME ACCOUNT FOR CALENDAR YEARS.

Table with columns for Corporation, Federal, Total. Rows include Freight revenue, Passenger revenue, Mail, express, &c., Total operating revenues, etc.

a Includes net of \$542,060 for revenue and expense items applicable to period prior to Jan. 1 1918, accounted for by U. S. Railroad Administration.

Operating income, Joint facility rent, Inc. from lease of road to U. S. Government, Dividend income, etc.

Gross income, Hire of equipment, Joint facility rents, Rent for leased roads, To U. S. Government, To other companies, etc.

Interest on funded debt, Int. on Adj. Mtg. bonds, Int. on unfunded debt, Net income, Sinking fund, Renewal fund, etc.

Balance to profit & loss. df. 57,123df2,747,700df2,690,577df1,468,133 1,796,393

a Includes net of \$542,060 for revenue and expense items applicable to period prior to Jan. 1 1918, accounted for by U. S. Railroad Administration.

COMBINED ACCOUNT FOR 1919 A VD 1919 AS COMPARED WITH CORPORATE ACCOUNT FOR PREVIOUS YEARS.

Table with columns for Calendar Years (1919, 1918, 1917, 1916). Rows include Average miles operated, Gross earnings, Net, after taxes, &c., Other income, etc.

Balance, surplus or deficit. df. \$2,690,577df\$1,468,133 sr\$1,796,393 sr\$1,757,600



CONDENSED GENERAL BALANCE SHEET DEC. 31.

1919.		1918.		1919.		1918.	
\$		\$		\$		\$	
<b>Assets—</b>				<b>Liabilities—</b>			
Road & equip.	180,546,496	179,592,701	Common stock.	38,000,000	38,000,000		
Impts. on leased			Preferred stock.	49,775,670	49,775,670		
ry. property.	160,583	146,821	Long term debt.	121,175,500	121,524,000		
Sinking funds.	1,075	196	Accts. & wages				
Depos. in lieu of			payable	58,860	55,286		
mtg. prop. sold	3,341	3,220	Misc. accts. pay.	88,745	52,124		
Misc. phys. prop.	250,306	250,897	Int. mat'd unpd	2,174,860	3,220,717		
Inv. in affil. cos.			Divs. matured.	987	987		
Pledged	6,772,574	44,023,189	Unmat. int. accr.	1,031,926	1,039,255		
Unpledged	3,177,754	6,847,508	Unmatured rents				
Cash	9,626	12,726	accrued	401,842	108,575		
Special deposits.	2,375,435	2,581,368	Deferred liabil.	36,674,763	34,154,242		
Traffic, &c. bal.	46,539	44,075	U. S. Govt. def.				
Misc. accts. rec.	357,426	495,885	liabilities	6,457,531	5,155,209		
U. S. RR. Adm.	5,098,753	3,519,377	Accrued deprec.				
Ins. & oth. funds	172,900	172,900	equipment	4,880,698	3,665,504		
U. S. Govt. def.			Def. int. on W. P.				
assets	7,976,430	5,612,258	Ry. Co. 2d M.				
Other def. assets	72,138	112,052	bonds		3,027,844		
Equitable Trust			Sale of Utah Fuel				
Co., trustee,			Co. cap. stock	3,959,281	3,959,281		
Judgment	39,518,601	39,518,601	Oth. unadj. llab.	193,263	244,654		
Oth. unadj. debits	72,485	165,419	Add'ns to prop.				
			through inc.				
			and surplus.	5,594,071	5,585,619		
			Sink. fd. reserves	1,881,575	1,532,196		
			Approp. surplus	370,393	370,393		
			Prof. & loss	262,106,945	11,630,739		
<b>Total</b>	<b>246,613,380</b>	<b>283,102,298</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>246,613,380</b>	<b>283,102,298</b>		

a Including \$2,173,260 to pay bond coupons. b Account of guaranty of old Western Pacific bonds foreclosed. See V. 106, p. 1797; V. 107, p. 1186. c Excluding \$13,497,500 bonds held in Treasury and by trustees, viz., \$1,445,000 1st Consols. of 1886 (\$34,125,000 held by public); \$10,000 Rio Gr. Western 4s (\$15,190,000 held by public); \$1,395,000 Rio Gr. Western 1st Consols. (\$15,080,000 held by public); all the \$650,000 Utah Central 1st Mtge. bonds; \$9,997,500 D. & R. G. First & Ref. bonds of 1908 additional to \$32,063,500 held by public. d \$348,500 5% First & Ref. bonds were purchased during the year for the sinking fund.—V. 110, p. 561.

Pere Marquette Railway.

(Report for Fiscal Year ending Dec. 31 1919.)

The report will be cited fully another week.

OPERATING ACCOUNT—FEDERAL 1919 AND 1918—COMPANY 1917.

	1919.	1918.	1917.
Freight revenue	\$26,504,204	\$22,200,348	\$16,850,265
Passenger	6,127,460	4,233,796	4,213,804
Mail	274,477	281,591	344,678
Express	94,988	855,321	11,953
Miscellaneous	1,589,001	1,383,949	1,381,155
<b>Total operating revenue</b>	<b>\$35,433,136</b>	<b>\$28,955,011</b>	<b>\$23,501,855</b>
Maintenance of way ad structures	\$3,495,487	\$3,790,387	\$2,425,689
Maintenance of equipment	7,132,498	6,143,894	3,894,690
Traffic	337,974	344,773	442,859
Transportation	14,764,362	12,233,619	9,925,781
Miscellaneous	1,126,872	886,884	702,112
Transportation for investment	Cr. 8,593	Cr. 11,682	Cr. 9,685
<b>Total operating expenses</b>	<b>\$26,723,825</b>	<b>\$23,315,551</b>	<b>\$17,381,446</b>
Net operating revenue	\$8,594,408	\$5,567,136	\$6,126,409
Non-operating income	159,276	142,144	119,962
<b>Gross income</b>	<b>\$8,753,684</b>	<b>\$5,709,280</b>	<b>\$6,246,371</b>
Taxes	762,283	864,731	640,479
Bond interest	1,687,760	1,687,760	3,634,171
Miscel. income charges, rents, &c.	1,437,026	1,159,376	
Dividends prior Preferred stock	560,000	560,000	326,667
<b>Balance, surplus</b>	<b>\$4,306,615</b>	<b>\$1,437,413</b>	<b>\$1,645,054</b>

CORPORATE INCOME ACCOUNT FOR CALENDAR YEARS.

	1919.	1918.
*Income for lease of road	\$3,748,196	\$3,748,196
Expenses	124,903	72,325
<b>Net income</b>	<b>\$3,623,293</b>	<b>\$3,675,871</b>
Non-operating income	121,479	103,866
<b>Gross income</b>	<b>\$3,744,772</b>	<b>\$3,779,737</b>
Taxes	91,417	167,243
Miscellaneous charges and rentals	1,756,424	1,718,371
<b>Balance, surplus</b>	<b>\$1,896,931</b>	<b>\$1,894,125</b>

\* Represents tentative standard return.—V. 110, p. 971.

Northern States Power Co.

(Report for Fiscal Year ending Dec. 31 1919.)

The remarks of President H. M. Byles together with the income account and balance sheet as of Dec. 31 1919 and various statistical tables, will be found on subsequent pages of this issue.

CONSOLIDATED INCOME ACCOUNT FOR CALENDAR YEARS.

	1919.	1918.	1917.
Electric department	\$8,584,278	\$7,339,654	\$6,243,551
Gas department	523,120	436,620	339,711
Steam department	574,125	459,188	418,920
Telephone department	68,015	66,049	62,351
Street railway department	126,395	91,154	89,976
<b>Total gross earnings</b>	<b>\$9,875,934</b>	<b>\$8,392,664</b>	<b>\$7,154,509</b>
Operating expenses	\$4,405,964	\$3,789,069	\$2,921,418
Maintenance	642,951	529,211	411,786
Taxes	709,706	531,411	431,524
<b>Net earnings</b>	<b>\$4,117,313</b>	<b>\$3,542,974</b>	<b>\$3,389,781</b>
Interest charges (net)	1,999,056	1,922,714	1,709,838
Preferred dividends	1,176,998	1,036,915	916,011
Depreciation	450,000	445,000	435,000
Amortization of debt discount & exp.	175,000	138,445	140,000
<b>Balance, surplus</b>	<b>\$316,259</b>	<b>None</b>	<b>\$188,932</b>
<b>Total surplus</b>	<b>\$1,067,717</b>	<b>\$751,458</b>	<b>\$751,458</b>

CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEET DEC. 31.

1919.		1918.		1919.		1918.	
\$		\$		\$		\$	
<b>Assets—</b>				<b>Liabilities—</b>			
Plant, prop., rights,				7% Pref. stock.	17,839,500	15,806,500	
franchises, &c.	60,890,913	57,029,484	Common stock.	6,170,000	6,170,000		
Collateral & other			Minor stk. equity	111,500	111,500		
cash deposits	276,115	384,151	Bonded debt.	32,523,500	31,107,500		
Inv. in stks. & bds.			10-year 6% notes				
of other cos.	51,714	44,324	(Minn. Co.)	7,805,000	7,805,000		
Def. oper. chgs. & exp.	4,956,302	4,822,136	5-year conv. 7%				
notes(Minn.Co.)	211,180	284,857	notes(Minn.Co.)	2,000,000	2,000,000		
Cash	1,696,428	988,368	Notes payable	283,179	445,000		
Liberty bonds	237,450	160,476	Accounts payable	570,565	274,109		
Cash for bond int.	10,380	10,531	Accrued interest	527,023	509,822		
Accts. & notes rec.	963,165	1,181,695	Accrued taxes	661,722	473,488		
Unbilled electricity	237,344		Accrued Pref. divs.	313,045	277,468		
Due from disc. agts.	219,079		Miscell. items	134,598	79,549		
Inventories	1,183,185	1,644,689	Reserves	925,995	839,325		
			Surplus	1,067,717	751,458		
<b>Total</b>	<b>70,933,255</b>	<b>66,650,710</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>70,933,255</b>	<b>66,650,710</b>		

a Includes \$45,000 secured by hypothecation of \$50,000 U. S. Liberty bonds. x The outstanding bonds include: N. S. Pow. Co. of Minn. 25-year 1st & Ref. M. 5s, \$24,567,500 (against \$23,068,500 Dec. 31 1918); Minn. Gen. Elec. Co. 30-year 1st M. 5s, \$7,403,000; Southwestern Minn. Div. bonds, \$553,000.—V. 109, p. 1371.

Anaconda Copper Mining Company

(Report for the Fiscal Year ending Dec. 31 1919.)

John D. Ryan, Chairman of the board of directors, New York, May 5, wrote in substance:

**Business—Output.**—During the year the consumption of copper in domestic business rapidly increased from a state of profound depression, and since the first quarter has been conducted upon a scale far in excess of any previous peace-time period, although the resumption of export trade, due to obvious reasons, has been disappointingly slow.

**Production (in lbs.) of Copper from Co's Mines, excl. Custom Ores & Sub. Co's.**

1916.	1917.	1918.	Avg. 3 Yrs.	1919.
283,300,657	211,356,917	235,385,478	243,349,350	103,759,351

The mines of the company produced during the year 2,103,098.71 tons of ore and 10,421 tons of precipitates, or a total of 2,113,519 tons.

**Results.**—The curtailed output and increased cost of production in every department has had the effect of greatly reducing our revenues. The net income, after payment of all direct expenses, was \$9,308,024, or, after interest and depreciation charges, \$5,103,641. Dividends were declared amounting to \$9,325,000 thereby reducing the surplus from \$66,232,484, to \$62,011,125. Extensive improvements were made at the mines in Butte, and construction under way at various plants was continued and largely completed. The South American undertakings were advanced uninterruptedly.

**Development and Exploration.**—In the mines of the company new drifts, crosscuts, upraises, shafts and winzes aggregated 20.39 miles, as compared with 41.85 miles in 1918. The shafts were sunk additional depths aggregating 1,749 feet. The shaft on the Orphan Girl claim was sunk to a depth of 1,036 feet and a crosscut was started northerly to cut the veins apexing on the Orphan Boy and the Anglo-Saxon claims.

The results of development and exploration work in the mines were quite satisfactory. A large amount of repair work was performed, notably extensive retimbering at Anaconda, Never Sweat, Ramsdell-Parrot, St. Lawrence, Diamond, Original, Moonlight and Leonard mines. Also fireproofing was done in several shafts.

**Ventilation.**—The plan of ventilation was carried on with gratifying results. Ten electrically driven fans were installed on surface, having a capacity of 1,100,000 cu. ft. Six fans were installed underground, while 87 blowers were installed in the different mines.

**Copper.**—The copper reduction works treated for all companies during the year 2,340,100 tons of ore and other cupriferous material at Anaconda. This includes 1,794,358 tons from company's mines, 511,847 tons either purchased from or treated for other companies and 38,895 tons of cleanings, &c., from the old plants at Anaconda and Butte.

At Anaconda there were produced 144,112,285 lbs. of fine copper, 7,377,477 ozs. of silver and 42,526 ozs. of gold. Of this production, 129,781,031 lbs. of fine copper, 6,744,262.03 ozs. of silver and 42,525,781 ozs. of gold were produced for your company.

The electrolytic copper refinery at Great Falls produced 129,022,057 lbs. of cathodes, 121,338,737 lbs. of which were melted into shapes at Great Falls. The copper leaching plant treated 184,700 tons of tailings and 61,400 tons of purchased ore, from which there were produced 2,500 tons of cement copper. The copper concentrator also treated by flotation 44,500 tons of slimes from the ponds and 31,000 tons of tailings.

**Zinc.**—The zinc plants at Anaconda and Great Falls treated 284,559 tons of ore and other zinciferous material, including 191,419 tons from company's mines, and 93,180 tons purchased.

At Great Falls there were produced 48,459,727 lbs. of electrolytic zinc, 3,994,251 lbs. of zinc in dross and residue from which were produced 15,256,441 lbs. of lead, 5,157,220 lbs. of copper, 2,282,956 ozs. of silver and 7,150 ozs. of gold.

**Rod and Wire Mill.**—Of the company's production there were rolled into rods 43,241,497 lbs. of copper. Of this amount 13,914,008 lbs. were manufactured into wire, of which 6,405,782 lbs. were made into strand.

**Construction—New Products.**—An efficient smoke treatment plant, consisting of 20 Cottrell treaters units, was put into commission at Anaconda. The special reverberatory furnace was completed and is making satisfactory recovery of copper, silver, gold and arsenic contained in the dust.

Construction of an arsenic refining plant with capacity of 400 tons per month of refined arsenic was begun; it will refine from the treatments. The experimental 25-ton tower acid plant was completed and operated with satisfactory results. The acid will be used for treatment of phosphate rock. The erection of an experimental 50-ton phosphate plant was begun which will be able to produce about 35 tons a day of "Trebble Acid Phosphate" containing about 48% of soluble phosphoric acid.

**Subsidiary Departments.**—These realized a profit for the year of \$203,140. The coal mines produced, shipped to other departments, &c.:

(In Tons)	Produced.	To Other Dep.	Sold.	Used.
Diamondville, Wyo.	408,869	216,632	151,842	40,395
Washoe, Mont.	124,867	63,996	50,692	10,179
Sand Coulee, Mont.	183,674	78,454	104,812	408

The sawmills cut 29,793,693 ft. of lumber and purchased 18,058,369 ft., of which 36,010,965 ft. were shipped to our mines, 33,199,523 ft. were sold commercially, 2,119,374 ft. were used at the mills for repairs, &c., and 1,788,389 ft. were supplied to the factory for manufacturing, or a total disposition of 73,118,251 ft., decreasing the stock of finished lumber on hand by 25,266,189 ft., leaving a balance on Dec. 31 1919 of 28,761,371 ft.

A new sawmill building at Bonner, replacing that destroyed by fire Jan. 16 1919, began operations on Oct. 1 1919.

Operations of Butte Anaconda & Pacific Ry. Co. (1917-18 Inserted—Ed.)

	Traffic		Gross Income.	Net Income.	Interest Taxes, &c.	Balance, Surplus.
	Tons.	Passenger.				
1919	4,574,508	244,976	1,204,827	59,483	231,013	def. \$171,530
1918	5,630,451	245,682	2,095,714	586,883	213,960	sur. 372,923
1917	6,800,161	355,224	1,789,396	367,176	219,590	sur. 147,585

**Phosphate Development.**—During the year development was undertaken to open a deposit of phosphate rock on land acquired near Garrison, Mont. The results indicate the probability of a large and valuable deposit.

From the Southern California Orange Grove Fertilizer Co. we acquired the right to purchase a large deposit of phosphate rock of high grade in Caribou County, Idaho, about 7 miles from Soda Springs, on the Oregon Short Line RR. Plans have been made for a spur to said railway; also four tunnels, &c., through which about 25,000,000 tons of rock can be mined. It is believed that this industry will add a large and profitable business to our activities.

**International Smelting Co.**—The smeltery of this subsidiary at Tootle, Utah, treated in 1919 131,395.05 tons of copper ore and 237,164.36 tons of lead ore, from which there were produced 13,695,215 lbs. of fine copper, 61,554,793 lbs. of fine lead, 5,523,241.79 ozs. of silver and 28,536,806 ozs. of gold. The copper smeltery at Miami, Ariz., treated 351,119.36 tons of concentrates and purchased ores, from which there were produced 160,451,682 lbs. of fine copper, 275,573.26 ozs. of silver and 5,379,814 ozs. of gold.

**International Lead Refining Co.**—The lead refinery of this subsidiary at East Chicago, Ind., treated 32,23



The title to all mining claims, millsites, rights of way, water rights and other property was perfected during the year 1919. The company owns 270,994 acres of land, 1,250 of which were perfected during the year 1919.

The general drawings for the reduction works were practically completed, and a pilot plant was put into operation to demonstrate the process evolved.

**Santiago Mining Co.**—Development work at the Lo Aguirre mine was confined chiefly to preparing the property for the mining of the ore by the caving system. Haulage drifts, raises, &c., aggregated 8,264 ft. A new body of sulphide ore was cut in the central section of the mine on the haulage level, which, when developed, will add a substantial tonnage of approximately 3% copper.

The main shaft of the **Africana Mine** was sunk 330 ft. during the year, making a total depth of 588 ft. The total advance in all workings was 3,672 ft. Shaft No. 2 was sunk to a total depth of 233 ft. and connected with shaft No. 1, 2,000 ft. distant, showing the vein to be continuous. The shafts were equipped with hoisting engines, pumps, air drills, &c.

The developments throughout the property were satisfactory.

**Investments.**—During the year your company expended in adding to its investments the sum of \$9,894,170, substantially all of which was advanced to the South American companies, and for which your company is entitled to receive stock of those companies, issued at par.

**Walker Mining Co.**—Operations were continued in spite of shortage of labor. There were mined and milled 38,785 tons of ore, producing 5,982.5 tons of concentrates. There were shipped to the International smelter 4,270 tons of concentrates containing 1,597,430 lbs. of copper, 29,077 ozs. of silver and 677,754 ozs. of gold. The new aerial tramway was 87% completed. The crosscut tunnel is being extended.

**Arizona Oil Co.**—Produced in 1919 456,174 bbls. of oil and paid \$8 50 per share in dividends, of which Anaconda received \$69,360.

**Anaconda Lead Products Co.**—This new subsidiary is erecting a plant at East Chicago, Ind. (adjacent to International Lead Refining Co.), and will put it in operation early in 1920 with a capacity of 20 tons of white lead daily.

**PROFIT & LOSS ACCT. YEARS END. DEC. 31, INCL. SUBSIDIARIES.**

	1919.	1918.	1917.	1916.
<b>Receipts—</b>				
Sales of copper, silver and gold.....	52,633,640	109,504,744	109,055,593	96,091,409
Royalties, &c.....	7,438,953	10,248,791	6,668,384	7,675,167
Sales of merchandise.....	11,937,531	11,937,531	7,514,591	7,191,366
Income from invest., &c.....	1,892,788	2,867,515	2,749,083	2,350,641
Metals in process (at cost) and on hand (sold at contract prices)....	28,705,375	27,865,266	32,966,589	37,225,804
<b>Total receipts.....</b>	<b>102,606,287</b>	<b>150,486,317</b>	<b>158,954,240</b>	<b>150,540,687</b>
<b>Disbursements—</b>				
Metals in process and on hand.....	27,865,266	32,966,589	37,225,804	18,944,075
Mining exp., incl. devel.....	17,294,929	29,844,525	24,591,950	24,709,071
Ore purch. (incl. trans.).....	12,968,644	19,474,604	21,156,714	15,227,458
Reduction expenses, &c.....	16,216,916	23,695,832	18,960,027	19,183,023
Trans. of metals, refining and selling expenses.....	6,247,392	8,552,862	6,956,883	6,760,480
Cost of mds. sold.....	11,186,550	5,845,701	6,419,288	5,210,178
Admin. exp. & taxes on inc. & on timber lands.....	1,518,566	2,522,616	3,396,110	1,613,424
Depreciation, &c.....	2,928,237	6,104,185	5,387,437	7,113,463
<b>Total deductions.....</b>	<b>96,226,500</b>	<b>129,006,914</b>	<b>124,094,213</b>	<b>98,771,171</b>
<b>Balance.....</b>	<b>6,379,787</b>	<b>21,479,403</b>	<b>34,860,027</b>	<b>51,779,516</b>
Interest.....	1,276,145	676,533	526,275	951,145
Dividends.....	9,325,000	17,484,375	19,815,625	17,484,375
Per cent.....	(8%)	(15%)	(17%)	(15%)
<b>Balance, sur.....</b>	<b>def. 4,221,358</b>	<b>3,318,495</b>	<b>14,518,127</b>	<b>33,343,997</b>

\*Metals in process at cost and on hand sold, at contract prices.

**BALANCE SHEET DEC. 31.**

[Including assets and liabilities of subsidiary companies owned.]

	1919.	1918.	1919.	1918.
<b>Assets—</b>				
Mines & mining claims, land, &c.....	75,614,653	74,886,252	116,562,500	116,562,500
Bldgs., mach., &c.....	57,458,373	58,410,775	25,000,000	.....
Timber lands.....	5,267,339	5,328,362	.....	.....
Inves. in sundry cos. not entirely owned.....	38,487,026	28,592,856	30,658,791	35,435,356
Mat'l & supplies & prepaid exps.....	12,020,680	12,121,614	2,331,250	3,496,875
Mds. for sale.....	1,398,397	1,290,520	.....	.....
Met. in proc., &c.....	28,705,375	30,865,266	17,630,968	15,476,482
Accts. rec. & cash.....	35,242,891	30,702,053	62,011,125	66,232,484
<b>Total.....</b>	<b>254,194,634</b>	<b>237,203,698</b>	<b>254,194,634</b>	<b>237,203,698</b>

**Note.**—The above accounts are compiled on the same basis as heretofore. In order, however, to comply with the Government income tax requirements for the purpose of computing depletion an additional valuation of the mining property as of March 1 1913, has been recorded on the books of the company, but for the sake of uniformity the result of those entries has been omitted from the current statements.—V. 110, p. 1528.

**Kennecott Copper Corporation.**

(5th Annual Report—Year Ended Dec. 31 1919.)

President Stephen Birch, April 26 1920, wrote in substance:

**Mining.**—Due to curtailed operations during a great part of the year, the ore mined at Kennecott and Latouche amounted to but 426,708 tons, viz.:  
**Dry Tons. Assay % Cu. Tons Cu.**  
 Kennecott.....162,248 10.24 16,547.8  
 Latouche.....264,460 1.95 5,161.7

Production for shipment to the smelter totaled 63,048 dry tons, assaying 31.7% and containing 39,983,100 lbs. of copper, viz.: Kennecott, 31,644,600 lbs., and Latouche, 8,338,500 lbs.

The total recovery of copper at Kennecott in all ores treated, milling and leaching combined, was 92.96%, exceeding 1918 by 3.58%. At Latouche the average recovery was 80.80%, this being a slight improvement over previous years.

**Development.**—At the Bonanza and Jumbo mines at Kennecott 12,889 ft. of development was done. Of this total 3,571 ft. represent the completion of an X-cut, 4,600 ft. in length, connecting the two mines. The new Jumbo double compartment incline was advanced 1,089 ft. and was timbered and completed to the 1,100-ft. level. At the Bonanza mine the double compartment incline was carried down an additional 518 ft. to the 1,150-ft. level. Besides such development 4,199 ft. of diamond drill exploration was done. Development at the Latouche property totaled 5,268 ft. of raising and drifting supplemented by 739 ft. of diamond drilling.

**Improvements.**—The Jumbo Aerial Tramway upper terminal was moved to a new location cut in solid rock, a 500-ft. adit tunnel having been driven back into the mountain for this purpose and the tramway then extended, effecting a considerable saving in Jumbo operating costs.

**Labor.**—The labor situation at Kennecott was even further below standard than during 1918. After April 1 there was a general shortage of labor and particularly miners, and the average length of employment about 5.3 months.

**Manufacturing Costs.**—There was received at the smelter, after allowing for smelter deductions, 38,677,418 lbs. of deliverable refined copper and 432,992.19 ozs. of returnable silver; 26,756,463 lbs. of copper and 520,660 ozs. of silver were settled for during the year and taken into profit and loss. Manufacturing costs of production, including increased transcontinental freight charges, were approximately 1/4c. per lb. of copper delivered greater than during 1918.

**Dividends Paid.**—Four quarterly disbursements to stockholders of 50c. per share each were made.

**Note Issue.**—On March 1 1919 your corporation sold \$12,000,000 one-year 6% notes at 99 1/4. Although the corporation had at that time cash and U. S. Government bonds on hand amounting to approximately \$7,000,000, under conditions then existing it was deemed wise to obtain additional funds to provide for carrying a very considerable stock of copper pending the return of better copper market conditions, as well as to take up \$4,000,000 notes of the corporation then outstanding, due March 21; to provide for the

acquisition of bonds and stock of the Mother Lode Coalition Mines Co., and for use in connection with the enlargement of the Braden Copper Co.'s plant in South America (V. 108, p. 787).

**Alaska Steamship Co.**—Net earnings, after deducting operating expenses, depreciation and taxes, amounted to \$737,064, which includes approximately \$275,000 representing adjustment of previous years' earnings. Quarterly dividends of 1 1/2% were paid, making a total distribution of \$270,000 for the year.

**Copper River & Northwestern Ry.**—Due to curtailed shipments from the mines, the railway company operated at a net loss of \$177,896 for the year.

**Braden Companies.**—Detailed operating and financial reports of the Braden Copper Mines Co. and Braden Copper Co. for the year 1919 are included in pamphlet report.

**Utah Copper Co.**—The total net copper produced by the Utah Copper Co. in 1919 was 105,083,740 lbs., and the average cost of net copper per lb. was 12.366 cts. This figure includes no Federal income and excess profit taxes, and is after crediting gold and silver and miscellaneous income (including Bingham & Garfield Ry. dividend) amounting to 1.779 cts. per lb., and compares with 12.53 cts. per lb. for 1918 on same basis. Before crediting gold, silver and other miscellaneous earnings the per lb. cost for 1919 was 14.145 cts. as compared with 16.331 cts. for 1918. The net earnings for the year amounted to \$3,252,396, as compared with \$1,845,780 in 1918, a reduction of 55.3%, due mainly to curtailed production and the lower price of copper. Distributions of earnings and of proceeds of depletion were made to shareholders during the year in the total sum of \$9,746,940, or \$6 per share. Of the total sum distributed in 1919 your company received on stock of the Utah Copper Co. held by it the sum of \$3,699,024.

The net reserves remaining Dec. 31 1919, determined by difference without allowance for new developments, totaled 368,501,300 tons, averaging 1.37% copper.

**Sales by Quarters.**—Due to the lack of demand for copper, operations at the mines were curtailed during the first part of the year to approximately 30% of normal. As market conditions bettered, production was gradually increased, but it was not until the last of the year that the output was again on a normal basis. The tendency is reflected in the sale of copper by quarterly periods, viz.: 1st quarter, 2,601,000 lbs.; 2d quarter, 9,044,000 lbs.; 3d quarter, 8,696,000 lbs.; 4th quarter, 20,355,000 lbs. Our sales during 1919 exceeded the entire production for the year.

[The public accountants say in part: "The book value of the investment in the Utah Copper Co. stock has been decreased by \$2,959,219, being the amount of the capital distributions received during the year on 616,504 shares of stock owned.

"The property surplus account has been reduced by \$2,787,072, being the amount of the capital distributions made to the stockholders of your corporation during the year. The charge is made against undivided profits and the credit given to property account in the usual manner to cover depletion of the mines for the year. The rate used takes into account the additional ore reserves now known to exist in excess of those originally claimed on income tax returns."]

**KENNECOTT COPPER CORPORATION—INCOME ACCOUNT.**

	1919.	1918.	1917.
<b>Years ending Dec. 31—</b>			
Copper produced and sold (lbs.).....	26,756,463	58,684,128	56,904,650
Average selling price per pound.....	18.818 cts.	24.428 cts.	27.015 cts.
Silver produced and sold (oz.).....	520,660	695,316	681,641
Average selling price per ounce.....	103.285 cts.	95.290 cts.	95.848 cts.
<b>Income Account—</b>			
Copper revenues.....	\$5,034,906	\$14,335,282	\$15,372,765
Silver revenues.....	569,004	662,569	653,340
Insurance for ore lost in transit.....	.....	83,076	.....
<b>Total revenues.....</b>	<b>\$5,603,910</b>	<b>\$15,080,927</b>	<b>\$16,026,105</b>
<b>Expenses—</b>			
Mining and milling.....	\$1,316,898	\$2,162,032	\$1,317,500
Freight to smelter.....	710,412	1,646,938	1,874,771
Smelting and refining.....	689,975	1,110,910	864,657
Selling commission.....	50,039	143,313	158,635
Marine insurance.....	38,544	72,799	97,044
Mineral separation royalty.....	16,962	.....	.....
General expense.....	125,966	140,966	196,302
Delivery expense.....	144,720	372,676	.....
<b>Total expenses.....</b>	<b>\$3,091,515</b>	<b>\$5,649,635</b>	<b>\$4,208,909</b>
<b>Net earnings.....</b>	<b>\$2,512,394</b>	<b>\$9,431,292</b>	<b>\$11,817,196</b>
Dividends from Utah Copper Co.....	739,804	4,777,907	7,147,801
Dividends from Alaska SS. Co.....	143,125	238,541	190,833
Interest, discount, &c.....	514,344	265,689	118,635
Income from mines.....	28,713	(loss) 41,156	9,016
<b>Gross income.....</b>	<b>\$3,938,381</b>	<b>\$14,672,272</b>	<b>\$19,283,481</b>
<b>Deductions—</b>			
Int. and commission on notes payable.....	\$653,333	\$373,142	\$734,316
Accrued taxes.....	167,531	525,165	584,263
Depreciation.....	382,853	391,233	353,446
Depletion account—			
For divs. as capital distrib'n (\$2.).....	2,287,793	5,574,089	5,574,056
Other depletion.....	.....	681,639	491,980
Red Cross & United War Works funds.....	.....	150,000	.....
Dividends.....	x2,787,073	5,574,089	10,311,665
Per share dividends paid.....	(\$1.00)	(\$2.00)	(\$3.70)
<b>Total deductions.....</b>	<b>\$6,278,583</b>	<b>\$13,269,357</b>	<b>\$18,049,726</b>
<b>Balance, surplus.....</b>	<b>\$2,340,202</b>	<b>\$1,402,915</b>	<b>\$1,233,755</b>

\*This does not include \$2,787,072 for capital distribution.

**INCOME ACCOUNT FOR SUBSIDIARY COMPANIES FOR CAL. YEARS**

	—Aska SS. Co.—	aCopper Riv. & N. W. Ry
	1919.	1918.
Gross earnings.....	\$4,791,231	\$3,735,938
Oper. expenses & taxes.....	3,833,852	3,304,748
<b>Net earnings.....</b>	<b>\$957,379</b>	<b>\$429,190</b>
Depreciation.....	180,033	315,899
Dividends.....	(6%)270,000	(10)450,000
<b>Balance, sur. or def. sur.....</b>	<b>\$507,346</b>	<b>def. \$336,709</b>

a This company on Dec. 31 1919 has outstanding \$23,020,000 1st M. bds.

**KENNECOTT COPPER CORPORATION—BALANCE SHEET DEC. 31.**

	1919.	1918.	1919.	1918.
<b>Assets—</b>				
Mining property.....	\$18,457,083	20,744,877	15,000,000	15,000,000
Constr. & equip. b.....	1,203,721	1,495,150	86,707,096	86,706,162
Investments.....	x97,650,906	100,608,839	.....	15,847,833
Metals on hand and in transit.....	.....	.....	12,000,000	4,000,000
at cost.....	3,189,311	2,421,485	179,531	224,909
Ore and concentrates (at cost).....	154,620	128,739	285,934	522,473
Mat'l on hand & in transit.....	852,695	935,601	83,081	80,660
Loans collectible.....	920,325	2,389,185	.....	.....
Accts. to collect.....	9,250,000	.....	.....	.....
Deferred accts.....	81,875	67,064	413,288	1,045,172
Marketable sec's.....	2,646,163	2,336,591	366,605	399,496
Cash.....	1,201,002	2,695,535	Undivided profit (after depletion).....	7,511,405
<b>Total.....</b>	<b>135,607,701</b>	<b>133,823,065</b>	<b>135,607,701</b>	<b>133,823,065</b>

a Represents 2,787,079 1-13 outstanding shares of no par value; total authorized issue, 3,000,000 shares.

\* In 1919 net book value after depletion deduction. h After deducting in 1919 \$1,540,414 depreciation. x Includes in 1919 616,504 shares Utah Copper Co. stock, valued at \$47,647,727; 2,565,976 shares Braden Copper Mines Co., par \$10, \$39,477,176; \$23,020,000 par C. R. & N. W. Ry. Co. bonds, \$3,078,108; 48,174 shares C. R. & N. W. Ry. Co. stock, 23,854 1/2 shares Alaska SS. Co. stock, \$2,388,412; 500 shares Alaska Development & Mineral Co. stock, \$62,480; and 1 share Copper Export Association, Inc., stock, \$1. y Property surplus from mining property acquired, less capital distribution. v From conversion of bonds and exchange of stock.—V. 110, p. 470.



**Peerless Truck & Motor Corporation.**

(Report for Fiscal Year ending Dec. 31 1919.)

President Burton G. Tremaine, Cleveland, on or about Feb. 25, wrote in substance:

Through the successful liquidation of the General Vehicle Co., the ownership of the Peerless Truck & Motor Corporation is now confined to all the Common stock and 98.9% of the Preferred stock of the Peerless Motor Car Co., Cleveland, O.

During the past year many residents of Cleveland have made substantial investments in the stock of the Peerless Truck & Motor Corporation. Much of the stock purchased by Cleveland residents was acquired from blocks held in New York, and nearly all the men who are now serving as officers and directors are residents of Cleveland. (V. 108, p. 2532; V. 109, p. 1185.)

The year of 1919 has been an important one in the affairs of the corporation because it was necessary for its subsidiary, the Peerless Motor Car Co., to adjust its business from a war to a peace basis. This adjustment has been completed and a satisfactory profit has been earned while the adjustment was being made. The outlook for 1920 is very encouraging indeed. (The Convertible notes were reduced by \$718,350 in 1919. See V. 108, p. 978, 1724; V. 107, p. 2481.)

**Digest of Report of L. H. Kittredge, President Peerless Motor Car Co.**

The plan for converting the business from a war to a peace basis contemplated the concentration of all manufacturing facilities upon a single passenger car chassis with an adequate variety of bodies, thereby making possible an excellent value in motor cars and reducing the sales resistance. Notwithstanding serious interruptions in obtaining materials, the plans were realized during 1919. Furthermore, the profit made during the process of adjustment was considerably in excess of the estimate.

In 1919 the product was improved, the sales and distributing organizations were strengthened. Plant additions were made to balance departments, and much new equipment was added to improve the quality and check the increase in cost. Practically all the truck machinery, which was not required for making truck repair parts, was utilized to manufacture transmissions and axles and to increase the production of motors, bodies, and many other parts.

The output planned for 1920 exceeds 1919 production by approximately 45%. Liquidation of the greater portion of the investment in truck material has provided the company with ample cash and Government securities to provide for this expansion of the business without additional financing. Unless unforeseen obstacles seriously interfere, it is believed that the result for 1920 will be very satisfactory.

The Peerless works are located at Cleveland, O., about five miles from the centre of the city. Twenty acres of land with 27 buildings of modern construction, containing about 650,000 sq. ft. of floor space.

**CONSOLIDATED PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT FOR CAL. YEARS.**

	1919.	1918.	1917.
Net sales, incl. sales to date of liquidation of General Vehicle Co., Inc.	\$12,928,600	\$11,890,079	-----
Net sales, excl. munitions and special foreign contracts of General Vehicle Co., Inc.	-----	-----	\$18,924,452
Cost of sales, incl. all oper., selling & gen. exp., plant maint. & repairs	11,864,735	10,831,089	17,329,985
Depreciation of plants	218,714	214,808	291,849
Net income from sales	\$845,152	\$844,181	\$1,802,618
Other income, incl. int. earned and in 1917 profit on special contracts, General Vehicle Co., Inc.	291,631	230,808	405,014
Total income	\$1,136,783	\$1,074,989	\$1,707,632
Int. on Peerless Truck & Motor Corp. 6% secured convertible notes	\$166,018	\$229,112	\$300,000
Fed. exc. prof. tax & income tax (est.)	122,403	71,596	306,799
Depreciation of investment, &c.	41,715	386	34,962
Special reserve for contingencies	-----	-----	116,387
Quar. dividend No. 1—see note (2%)	200,000	-----	-----
Pref. divs. of Peerless Motor Car Co.	1,526	1,736	1,946
Disc. on 10-yr. notes with trustee	Cr. 65,506	293,681	-----
Total deductions	\$466,156	\$596,511	\$760,095
Balance, surplus	\$670,627	\$478,478	\$947,537

Note.—The initial dividend of the Peerless Truck & Motor Corporation, 1 1/2% and 1/2% extra, was declared Oct. 2 1919 and paid Jan. 2 1920; like amounts were paid April 1 1920 and a straight quarterly distribution of 2 1/2% has been declared, payable July 1 1920 to holders of record June 1. Compare V. 109, p. 1466; V. 110, p. 1419.

**CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEET DEC. 31.**

	1919.	1918.	1919.	1918.
<b>Assets—</b>			<b>Liabilities—</b>	
Land, plant, bldgs. and equipment	3,067,853	2,957,027	c Capital stock	4,898,110
Pat'ts, franchises and good-will	2,862,034	2,862,034	Peerless Motor Car Co. Pref. stock	21,800
Cash	1,237,044	1,790,800	Peerless Truck & Motor Corp. 6% secured convertible notes	2,735,450
Marketable securities	163,144	2,465,448	Accounts payable	1,106,297
Inventories	3,918,767	2,465,448	Accounts payable accrued against U. S. Government (contra)	361,031
U. S. Lib. bonds & cert. of indebted.	3,382,333	1,600,731	Doc. drafts disc.	470,872
Claim against U. S. Govt. at factory cost	-----	945,353	Dividend payable	200,000
Gen'l Vehicle Co., Ltd., London	-----	50,428	Sundry creditors & reserves	e 664,058
Sundry debtors	112,156	67,775	Conting't reserve	295,342
Accts. & notes rec., &c., less reserve	982,282	1,627,683	Surplus	5,259,600
Cash to acquire balance of stock outstanding of P. M. C. Co.	22,890	22,890		
Prepaid insur., &c.	66,171	38,742		
Total	15,651,529	14,592,147	Total	15,651,529

a After deducting in 1919 \$218,714 charged off for depreciation. b Including cost of acquisition of stocks of sub. cos. c Representing consideration received in cash for (auth. \$20,000,000) \$10,000,000 (200,000 shares at \$50) capital stock issued as full-paid and non-assessable in accordance with the Virginia statutes. d Valued at cost or market, whichever is lower. e Including reserves for Federal taxes. g After deducting \$2,264,550 reacquired and deposited with trustee.—V. 110, p. 1419.

**California Packing Corporation.**

(Report for Fiscal Year ending Feb. 29 1920.)

President J. K. Armsby comments substantially as follows:

The consolidated income account presented herewith shows an increase in the operating profits, due chiefly to the greater volume of business handled as compared with previous years. Income from investments is approximately the same as the previous year and of this the sum of \$1,022,296 represents the proportion of profits of the Alaska Packers Association applicable to our stock ownership.

The exceedingly satisfactory condition of the corporation is reflected in the attached consolidated balance sheet, from which it will be observed that all notes payable were taken up prior to Feb. 29, 1920, the only remaining liabilities being of a current nature. Expenditures of \$3,220,455 were made for additions and betterments to the various plants and ranches owned and depreciation of \$703,467 written off. Current assets have increased by \$4,612,382 and there has been a slight decrease in current liabilities.

Since March 1 1920 the outstanding Preferred stock has been converted into Common stock at the rate of 1 1/2 shares of the latter for each share of Preferred and as a result of this conversion the entire capital is now represented by 462,010 shares of Common stock without par value.

Dividends were paid during the year at the rate of 7% per annum on the Pref. stock and at the rate of \$4 per share on the Com. stock until March 15 1920 when the latter was increased to \$6 per share.

**CONSOLIDATED INCOME ACCOUNT FOR YEARS ENDING FEB. 28.**

	1919-20.	1918-19.	1917-18.
Prof. from oper. after all exp. & full provision for Federal taxes	\$5,882,541	\$2,396,000	\$3,614,531
Income from investments	1,359,861	1,293,279	2,533,409
Total	\$7,242,402	\$3,689,279	\$6,147,940
Preferred dividends (7%)	468,020	570,898	592,268
Common dividends	(\$1 1/2) 1,603,250	(\$1) 1,355,668	(\$2) 677,802
Net addition to surplus	\$5,171,131	\$1,762,713	\$4,877,869
Total profit and loss surplus	\$12,638,990	\$7,467,858	-----

x Includes three quarterly dividends of \$1 each and one of \$1 1/2.

**CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEET FEBRUARY 28.**

	1920.	1919.	1920.	1919.
<b>Assets—</b>			<b>Liabilities—</b>	
Land, plants, mach. &c.	10,408,559	7,891,571	7% cum. pref. stk.	8,206,200
Inv. in stks. oth. cos	9,504,598	9,592,746	Com. stk. (338,917)	-----
Miscel. invest.	-----	231,758	sh. no par val.	11,684,255
Inventories	10,643,956	7,542,396	Notes payable	1,684,255
Adv. to growers	774,944	515,713	Accounts payable	3,793,882
Notes & accts. rec.	3,804,938	2,787,986	Dividends declared	599,373
Liberty bonds	1,822,000	3,073,950	Prov. for Fed. tax. & contingencies	4,000,000
Cash	2,901,836	1,415,245	Surplus	12,638,990
Deferred charges	1,061,870	973,603		
Total	40,922,701	34,024,970	Total	40,922,701

V. 110, p. 1190.

**(Wm.) Cramp & Sons Ship & Engine Building Co.**

(Report for Fiscal Year ended Dec. 31 1919.)

President J. H. Mull, Apr. 29, wrote in substance:

Output.—Below is a record of keels laid, vessels launched and delivered:

	Keels Launched	Year 1919	Delivered, Keels	Apr. 6 1917 to Dec. 31 '19	Launched & Delivered
U. S. Torpedo boat destroyers	19	15	19	40	37
Transports, Pass. & cargo vessels and oil tankers	4	3	3	8	12
Totals	23	18	22	54	49

On Dec. 23 the keel for the last of the group of 25 Destroyers was laid. These vessels will complete the contracts for 46 Destroyers awarded to us as a part of the U. S. war program; the initial contract for 6 Destroyers was placed Mar. 28 1917.

A large part of the capacity of the shipyard during the next year will be engaged on the postponed construction of 5 Scout Cruisers for the Navy. Our shipyard force, averaging about 10,600 men, we believe will be fully engaged during the coming year on existing contracts. The larger part of the improvements undertaken during the war period has been completed, and we contemplate no further extensive improvements during 1920.

The future of the shipbuilding industry in the United States undoubtedly depends on the passage by Congress of constructive legislation for the protection of our Merchant Marine, in order that we may have a Merchant Marine composed of American built vessels, capable of surviving in competition with foreign countries. There will probably continue to be for a time a demand for oil tankers and passenger vessels.

Our company has purchased the De La Vergne Machine Co. of New York specializing in the manufacture of stationary oil engines and refrigerating machinery. We anticipate that it will be a valuable adjunct in the development of business in the above classes of machinery, and in augmenting the main plant in Philadelphia.

All departments were fully engaged in 1919. The Kensington drydock and repair yard will, we anticipate, be engaged to its full capacity for some time in the future.

We look for a large volume of business during the coming year in the manufacture of hydraulic machinery by our L. P. Morris Department following the passage of the Water Power Bill by Congress.

We also anticipate a large volume of business in the manufacture of Marine Diesel Engines of the Burmeister & Wain type, for which we control the American rights. This engine should prove an important factor in the field of marine propulsion.

**EARNINGS FOR PERIODS INDICATED, &C.**

	Cal. Year 1919.	Cal. Year 1918.	8 Mos. 1917.	Yr. Apr. 30 1917-18.
x Net earnings, all depts.	\$2,958,286	\$2,455,400	\$1,807,402	\$2,981,846
Depreciation	\$654,100	\$380,001	\$196,551	\$294,826
Int. on 20-year 5% serial notes & Consol. M. 5s.	90,700	107,325	76,550	113,033
Int. on 1st Mtge. gold 5s.	51,383	54,151	34,583	51,667
Ground rents and int. on real estate mortgages and 5% renewable notes	57,541	106,487	81,525	123,907
Dividends (see below)	(7 1/2) 457,350	(6) 655,880	(4) 243,920	(6) 365,380
Net surplus	\$1,647,212	\$1,441,526	\$874,273	\$2,032,533

x This item as shown includes miscellaneous income and is given "after deduction of insurance and taxes, but before deduction of bond interest, miscellaneous interest or depreciation."

In May 1917 resumed dividends, 3% being paid semi-annually (6% per annum) from Aug. 1 1917 to Aug. 1 1919, both inclusive, and in Oct. 1919 paid 1 1/2%, making a total of 7 1/2% for year 1919. [As to stock dividend of 150% now proposed in 1920, see "Chronicle" of May 1 p. 1852.—Ed.]

	Calendar Years		Yr. Apr. 30 1918.
	1919.	1918.	1918.
(a) In Reduction of Capital Debt—			
20-Year 5% serial notes redeemed	\$147,000	\$181,000	\$172,000
First Mtge. 5% gold bonds redeemed	25,000	25,000	25,000
In reduction mortgages	20,000	20,000	30,000
5% renewable notes	1,000,000	500,000	-----
20-Year 5% Consol. Mtge. bonds	308,000	-----	-----
	\$1,500,000	\$726,000	\$227,000

(b) Expended for Additions & Impts.— In the purchase of real estate, new tools, machinery, &c.

	\$653,423	\$537,691	\$575,985
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**COMPARATIVE BALANCE SHEET DEC. 31.**

	1919.	1918.	1919.	1918.
<b>Assets—</b>			<b>Liabilities—</b>	
Real estate, machinery, &c.	16,499,831	15,788,735	Capital stock	6,098,000
Bills and accounts receivable	1,651,621	1,893,755	Bonds, notes and mortgages	*2,998,444
Materials and supplies	1,698,511	2,726,280	Liberty Loan bonds payable	1,825,000
Cash	1,551,601	2,511,065	Mdse. accounts	1,602,349
Securities owned	3,294,482	3,277,232	Wages due Jan.	264,585
Miscellaneous	63,102	140,427	Accrued interest	1,002,204
Total	24,759,148	26,337,494	Profit and loss	10,968,566

\* Includes as of Dec. 31 1919 \$411,000 20-year 5% serial notes; \$1,022,000 Consol. Mtge. bonds (exchanged for 20-year 5% serial notes); \$1,000,000 First Mtge. 5s; and \$565,444 real estate mortgages and ground rents.—V. 110, p. 1852.

**GENERAL INVESTMENT NEWS**

**RAILROADS, INCLUDING ELECTRIC ROADS.**

**Arkansas & Louisiana Midland R.R.—Sale Ordered.—**

By order of the Louisiana Railroad Commission the receivers of this road are directed to sell the entire line for not less than \$300,000 the purchaser to be required to continue the operations from Monroe to Bastrop, La., 22 miles, but the remainder from Bastrop to Crossett, Ark., 30 1/2 miles, may be disposed of by the purchaser for the value of the rails and other property along that part of the route. Commission expressed the opinion that the



line from Monroe to Bastrop, if reasonably and properly operated, would earn and produce sufficient revenues to maintain the road there as a going concern, and the payment of reasonable profits to the holders of the stocks and bonds. This is conditioned upon the execution of a legal transfer from Alfred Cowles for a part of the line now recorded in his name.—“Manufacturers’ Record.”—V. 110, p. 1526.

**American Light & Traction Co.—Earnings.—**

Years end. Mar. 31—	1920.	1919.	1918.	1917.
Earn. on stks. of sub. cos. owned	\$3,421,142	\$3,699,792	\$4,131,467	\$5,161,485
Miscellaneous earnings	1,007,809	602,234	1,031,304	595,906
Gross earnings	\$4,428,951	\$4,302,026	\$5,162,771	\$5,757,391
Expenses	227,812	274,011	349,369	268,494
Net earnings	\$4,201,139	\$4,028,015	\$4,813,402	\$5,488,897
Surplus and reserve	11,516,783	12,832,705	12,102,632	11,161,293
Total surplus earns.	\$15,717,922	\$16,860,720	\$16,916,035	\$16,650,189
Preferred dividends	\$854,172	\$854,172	\$854,172	\$854,172
Common cash dividends	2,476,480	2,244,883	2,035,883	1,846,692
Common stock dividends	2,476,480	2,244,882	2,035,882	1,846,692
Balance, surplus	\$9,910,790	\$11,516,783	\$11,990,098	\$12,102,632

—V. 110, p. 1641.

**Bangor & Aroostook Railroad.—Annual Report.—**

	1919.	1918.	1917.
(1) Federal Statistics—			
Operating revenues	\$5,287,300	\$4,863,223	\$4,384,561
Operating expenses	4,993,373	4,239,517	2,990,368
Net operating revenue	\$293,927	\$623,706	\$1,394,193
(2) Corporate Statistics—			
Compensation accrued		\$1,555,775	\$1,555,775
Railway war tax accruals		42,171	48,199
Balance		\$1,513,603	\$1,507,576
Other income		72,303	3,741
Gross income		\$1,585,906	\$1,511,317
Total deductions		1,112,317	1,025,979
Preferred dividends (7%)		243,600	243,600
Common dividends (4%)		154,400	154,400
Balance, surplus		\$75,589	\$87,330

—V. 110, p. 1288.

**Buffalo & Lake Erie Traction Co.—Wage Increase.—**

A new wage scale, effective for one year, has been signed between officials of the company and the employees. Under the new scale the maximum wage is 60 cents an hour and the increase to all employees averages 5 cents an hour.—V. 109, p. 887.

**American Public Utilities Co.—New Contract.—**

See Jackson (Miss.) Light & Traction Co. below.—V. 109, p. 979.

**Central Argentine Ry.—Dividend.—**

The directors announce an interim dividend of 2½% on the consolidated ordinary stock.—V. 105, p. 2542.

**Central Vermont Ry.—Time for Deposits Extended.—**

The committee for the First Mtge. 4s due May 1 1920, of which Henry E. Cooper is Chairman, announces that more than two-thirds of the bonds have been subjected to the agreement dated March 5 and that the committee has secured an offer to exchange for the above-mentioned bonds (provided the holders of substantially all of said bonds accept such exchange) an equal amount of new Ten-Year 5% bonds, guaranteed both prin. & int. by the Grand Trunk Ry. of Canada, which owns a majority of stock of the Central Vermont Co. The committee urges the holders of the bonds who have not already done so promptly to deposit their bonds, so that the committee may be in position to act for substantially all holders of such bonds and, for that purpose, has extended until June 1 1920 the time for deposits.—V. 110, p. 1848.

**Chicago & Interurban Traction Co.—New Interests.—**

The Insull interests have taken over the management of the lines of the Chicago & Interurban Traction Co., which operates from 63d and Halsted, where it connects with the South Side Elevated, a distance of 40 miles to Kankakee, passing through Chicago Heights, Blue Island, Peotone and Crete. It had a gross business last year of \$400,000. The stock of the company is held in a voting trust, the trustees including Mr. Insull, Henry A. Blair and others; the agreement which was for five years has now been extended for another term of five years. Samuel Insull is Chairman, while the directors include Frank J. Baker, Henry A. Blair, L. A. Busby, Britton I. Budd, Ira N. Cobe and W. W. Crawford. The line has been operated heretofore by Mr. Tallmadge, President of the Hammond Whiting & Souta Chicago Ry.—“Chicago Economist.”—V. 110, p. 1186.

**Chicago Great Western R.R.—Merger Ratified.—**

The stockholders on May 7 passed a resolution ratifying the consolidation of the Wisconsin, Minneapolis & Pacific with the Chicago Great Western.—V. 110, p. 1741, 1526.

**City & Suburban Ry. of Washington.—Interest.—**

An advertisement states arrangements have been made for the payment on April 29 1920 of the semi-annual interest due Feb. 1 1920 on the 5% bonds of the City & Suburban Ry. of Washington. Interest will be payable at office of trustee, Baltimore Trust Co., Balt., Md.—V. 110, p. 561, 464.

**Commonwealth Power Railway & Light Co.—Earnings.**

Earnings of Commonwealth Power Ry. & Lt. Co. and its Subsidiary Cos.	1920.	1919.	1918.	1917.
(1) 3 Mos. end. Mar. 31—				
Gross earnings	\$7,620,424	\$6,259,548	\$5,076,359	\$4,706,991
Operating expenses	4,635,843	3,604,629	3,306,769	2,556,449
Gross income	\$2,984,581	\$2,654,919	\$1,769,590	\$2,150,543
Fixed charges (see note)	2,124,502	2,017,978	1,779,094	1,563,535
Dividend on pref. stock	269,295	269,295	269,295	269,095
xBalance	\$590,784	\$367,646	def.\$278,799	\$317,913
(2) 12 Mos. end. Mar. 31—				
Gross earnings	\$27,325,775	\$23,101,251	\$20,093,104	\$17,545,338
Operating expenses	16,367,745	13,715,888	11,828,953	8,983,905
Gross income	\$10,958,030	\$9,385,363	\$8,264,151	\$8,561,433
Fixed charges (see note)	\$3,315,765	7,788,014	6,711,038	6,040,060
Dividend on pref. stock	1,077,180	1,077,180	1,077,210	1,048,265
xBalance	\$1,565,085	\$520,169	\$475,902	\$1,473,108

\* Note.—Fixed charges include dividends on outstanding Pref. stocks of constituent companies in addition to taxes and interest. The “balance” shown is available for dividends on common stock, replacements and depreciation.

The balance sheet of March 31 1920, shows outstanding: Pref. stock, \$17,953,000; Common stock, \$18,585,900; Common stock deliverable, \$2,414,100; Five-Year 7% Secured Convertible bonds, due May 1 1923, \$7,608,250; One-Year 7% Secured Gold notes, due Nov. 1 1920, \$3,570,000; Scrip due Feb. 1 1924, \$1,019,369, due Feb. 1 1925, \$1,121,814 and due Feb. 1 1926, \$276,882; Secured Serial 7% Gold notes, \$1,722,500 and 6% Gold notes, \$655,000; also Guaranty of \$225,000 Usher obligations on W. Va. coal property, \$1.

The board on April 19 1920, declared a dividend of 1½% on the Preferred stock of record at the close of business April 20 1920, payable in scrip dated May 1 1920, due on or before Feb. 1 1926, with interest at 6% per annum. Compare “Electric Railway Section” and Annual Report in “Chronicle” of Feb. 14, p. 657.—V. 110, p. 1748.

**Delaware & Hudson Co.—Bonds Sold.—**Kuhn, Loeb & Co. and First National Bank announce the sale at 100 and int. of \$10,000,000 Ten-Year 7% Secured Gold bonds, dated June 1 1920. Due June 1 1930.

**Data from Letter of President L. F. Loree, New York, May 4 1920.**  
**Security.**—Secured by deposit and pledge with trustee of the following: (1) \$10,000,000 Del. & Hudson 1st & Ref. 4s of 1943; (2) \$3,500,000 Albany & Susq. R.R. 1st 3½% of 1946; (3) \$1,000,000 Wilkes-Barre Connecting R.R. 1st & Improv. 5s, due May 1 1947 (principal and interest guaranteed jointly and severally, by endorsement, by Pennsylvania R.R. and Delaware & Hudson Co.); (4) \$500,000 Rensselaer & Saratoga R.R. Guaranteed stock; (5) \$400,000 Albany & Susq. R.R. Guaranteed stock.

**Purpose.**—To provide funds to pay off at maturity \$9,000,000 3-Year 5% Secured Gold notes, due Aug. 1 1920, and for other corporate requirements.

**Capital & Dividends.**—Company has paid dividends on its stock uninterruptedly since 1881, and since 1907 at the rate of 9% per annum. Present outstanding Capital stock \$42,503,000.

**Description of Bonds.**—Denom. \$1,000 and \$500 (c\* & r\*\*). Dated June 1 1920. Int. payable J. & D., without deduction for any tax, assessment or governmental charge (except Federal income taxes) which company or the trustee may be required to pay or to retain or deduct therefrom under any present or future law of the United States or of any State, County, municipality, or other taxing authority therein. Not subject to redemption.

**Listing.**—Application will be made in due course to list the bonds on the New York Stock Exchange.

**Conditional Dividend.**

The company has declared a dividend of \$2 25 a share, payable June 21 to stock of record May 28, provided that on the aforesaid date the company shall have received from the Government a sum sufficient, in the opinion of the President, with other available funds to pay the same, and payable at a later date when, as and if such sum shall be so received.—V. 110, p. 1845, 1415.

**Denver & Rio Grande R.R.—Report—Sale of Securities.—**

The annual report is cited on a previous page.  
 The Equitable Trust Co., New York, on May 4 obtained an order from Supreme Court Justice Lydon, directing David B. Knott, Sheriff of New York County, to issue a further execution upon a judgment awarded against the road and to levy upon certain property of the defendant held in this State. The property specified to be levied upon consists of 30,000 shares of Globe Express Co. stock, 3,000 shares of Western Realty Co. stock, \$523,000 Colorado Midland Ry. gold 4s, \$30,000 Western Pacific 1st Mtge. bonds, 412½ shares of Western Pacific Preferred stock and 712½ shares of Western Pacific Common stock now in the custody of the Bankers Trust Co., and the Guaranty Trust Co. Compare Western Pacific in V. 107, p. 1186, 1102.

The plaintiff stipulates that it will bid the following amounts at the execution sale on the levied property: \$1,000,000 for the Western Realty stock, \$150,000 for the Globe Express stock, and \$44,542 for the \$523,000 Colorado Midland bonds. The market value of the other stock will be asked.

The execution granted will be returned against a judgment obtained by the Equitable Trust Co. against the Denver & Rio Grande March 13 1918, for \$36,908,510 damages sought in an action, instituted in the Supreme Court Dec. 13 1917, to recover the balance of a judgment awarded in the Federal District Court June 14 1917.—V. 110, p. 561, 462.

**Eastern Texas Electric Co.—Notes Offered.—**

Guaranty Trust Co. and Stone & Webster are offering at 96 and int. to yield about 8% \$1,500,000 5-year 7% Conv. Gold notes.

Dated May 1 1920. Due May 1 1925. Int. payable M. & N. in New York without deduction for normal Federal income tax up to 2%. Denom. \$1,000, \$500 and \$100 (c\*). Red. all or part at any time on 45 days’ notice as follows with int.: before May 1 1921 at 103%, May 1 1921 to April 30 1923 at 102%, May 1 1923 to April 30 1924 at 101%, May 1 1924 to maturity at 100%. Convertible, par for par, at any time on or before maturity into fully paid Common stock with a cash payment by the noteholder of \$4 per share and an adjustment of int. on the notes and of dividends on the stock at the rate last declared within the 6 months next preceding. If called, conversion may be made up to and including redemption date, the noteholder to receive any premium payable on account of redemption. Guaranty Trust Co., New York, trustee.

**Data from Letter of Pres. C. F. W. Wetterer, dated Boston, April 27.**

**Company.**—Incorp. in Texas. Owns and operates (a) entire electric light, power and street railway business in Beaumont, Tex., (b) entire electric light and power business in Port Arthur, Tex., and (c) interurban electric railway between Beaumont and Port Arthur, about 20 miles. Population estimated at 70,000. On Jan. 1 1920 had 7,479 light and power customers with a total connected load of 16,683 k.w. During 1919 carried 8,016,814 passengers. Physical properties include three oil burning electric generating plants having an installed electric generating capacity of 9,300 k.w. to which will be added a new unit of 4,000 k.w.

**Purpose.**—Proceeds will be used for the retirement of the outstanding notes and floating debt, heretofore incurred for construction, and to furnish additional capital for improvements and increased facilities including a new 4,000 k.w. turbo-generator.

**Capital after retirement of \$750,000 Notes due Aug. 1.**

	Authorized.	Outstand.
Common stock (present rate 8%)	\$3,400,000	\$1,400,000
Preferred stock (6% cumulative)	1,450,000	1,400,000
Convertible 7% notes due 1925 (this issue)	2,000,000	1,500,000
Beaumont Traction 1st Mtge. 5s, 1943	600,000	200,000
E. T. E. Co. Mtge. 5s, due 1942	(Not limited)	1,463,000

**Franchises.**—Electric light and power franchise in Beaumont expires 1963 and railway franchise 1961. Electric light and power franchise in Port Arthur expires 1943. Practically all of the interurban railway mileage is located on right-of-way owned by company.

Earn. yrs. end. Dec. 31	1913.	1915.	1917.	1918.	1919.
Gross	\$440,442	\$723,091	\$938,074	\$1,131,752	\$1,390,350
Expenses and taxes	270,592	386,447	516,993	662,159	853,677
Net, &c., income	212,532	336,644	440,900	477,369	544,173
Interest	67,427	98,061	115,874	139,218	146,967
Balance	145,105	238,583	325,026	338,151	397,206

—V. 109, p. 2262.

**Fort Smith & Western Ry.—Improvements Planned.—**

A report from Fort Smith, Ark., says that this road will be improved this year to take care of increased business. A petition has been filed by A. L. Mills, receiver, in the U. S. court, asking for authority to spend \$225,000, of which \$125,000 is for ballasting, \$15,000 to widen embankments, \$50,000 for new side tracks, \$20,000 for new equipment, and \$15,000 for buildings, &c.—V. 107, p. 1003.

**Green Bay & Western Railroad.—Earnings.—**

	1919.	1918.
Compensation under Federal control	\$204,878	\$204,878
Other corporate income	44,344	79,823
Gross corporate income	\$249,222	\$284,701
Total deductions	75,464	76,145
Disbursements on stock and debt A and B	163,750	163,750
Balance, surplus	\$10,008	def.\$49,305

—V. 110, p. 561.

**International Railway Co., Buffalo.—Propose Refunding Plan for \$800,000 Lockport & Olcott Ry. Bonds Due July 1.**

President H. G. Tulley, under date of April 8, addressed a letter to holders of First Mtge. 5% Gold Coupon bonds of Lockport & Olcott Ry., due July 1 1920, in which is set forth a proposed plan for refunding, exchange and conversion of the \$800,000 of bonds issued under the Lockport & Olcott Ry. mortgage dated July 1 1900. In order that the plan shall become effective, it will be necessary to have sufficient number of the bonds deposited with the several depositories not later than May 15 1920.

**Data from Letter of President H. G. Tulley, Dated April 8 1920.**

The \$800,000 Lockport & Olcott Ry. M. 5s, due July 1 1920, are secured by the property of the Lockport & Olcott Ry., which was consolidated in 1902 into the International Ry. In 1912 the International Ry. authorized its Ref. & Improv. mortgage to provide, first, for the refunding of the bond



issues of the several companies consolidated into the International Ry. and, second, for additions and betterments to its property.

A serious situation exists to-day in that the International Ry. is not able to sell its Ref. & Improv. bonds and, therefore, cannot finance its refunding and capital requirements. The company from a series of circumstances chiefly incident to the war-time disturbance of our industrial situation has become financially involved. The net earnings from operation during the two years, 1918 and 1919, were insufficient by \$1,100,000 to meet the full interest charges upon its outstanding bonds. In addition to this deficit from operation the company had previously exhausted its cash working capital in meeting heavy cash discounts upon bonds sold for construction requirements.

The Protective Committee for the International Traction Co. Collateral Trust Bondholders has loaned the sum of \$1,600,000 to the company, needed to pay over-due interest and taxes which it allowed to have remained unpaid would have thrown the company into bankruptcy. Neither the company nor the International Traction Bondholders Protective Committee can borrow the additional \$800,000 required to meet the Lockport & Olcott Ry. bonds payable on July 1 1920. These bonds must be retired or a receivership is imminent.

The status of the \$800,000 Lockport & Olcott Ry. bonds in the contingency of a reorganization of an International Ry. receivership is difficult to forecast. The portion of the physical properties covered by this mortgage to a distant and isolated segment of the interurban section of the International Ry. system and traversing farm lands, being also the least profitable in its operation and its possibility for the future. It is doubtful if the sale of your property under foreclosure proceedings would protect the principal of your bonds.

To meet the situation the company will make application to the P. S. Commission, to authorize an \$800,000 issue of 5-Year 7% Collateral Trust Gold bonds secured by \$1,200,000 of its Refunding & Improvement 5% bonds for the purpose of exchanging these bonds with the holders of the Lockport & Olcott Ry. bonds, par for par. The security expected to be used for these 7% Coll. Trust Gold bonds will be made up of \$500,000 bonds available for issue under the International Ry. Ref. and Improv. Mtge. upon the retirement of like amount of Lockport & Olcott Ry. bonds and we hope for the granting of our request by the Protective Committee for International Traction Co. Collateral Trust bonds of \$400,000 additional of the International Ry. 5% bonds.

These International Ry. 5-Year 7% Collateral Trust Gold bonds will be convertible into International Ry. Ref. & Improv. 5% bonds at the rate of \$3,000 of Ref. & Improv. 5s for each \$2,000 par of 7% Collateral Trust Gold bonds. The exchange of your bonds for International Ry. 5-Year 7% Coll. Trust Gold bonds would accomplish an extension for a five year period of the \$800,000 debt as represented by the Lockport & Olcott Ry. bonds and would give the International Ry. the time necessary to work out its financial rehabilitation which is impossible of immediate attainment under the present unfavorable condition of the financial markets which most seriously affect all public utility securities and especially tractions.

Holders are requested to deposit their bonds with any of the depositories mentioned, any of which will hold them in trust to be exchanged for International Ry. 5-Year Coll. Trust Gold bonds, if, when and as approved by the P. S. Commission and issued by the International Ry.

**Depositories.**—Bank of Buffalo, Buffalo Trust Co., Citizens Commercial Trust Co., Fidelity Trust Co., Lafayette National Bank, Liberty Bank, Manufacturers & Traders National Bank, Marine Trust Co., Peoples Bank, Buffalo, N. Y.; National Exchange Bank, Lockport, N. Y.; Niagara Falls Trust Co., Power City Bank, Niagara Falls, N. Y.; First Trust Co. Tonawanda, N. Y.; Chase National Bank, N. Y. City.—V. 110, p. 561, 26 1

**Jackson (Miss.) Light & Traction Co.—Reorganization Plan.**

—The Bondholders Protective Committee, William T. Bacon, Chairman, has drawn up a reorganization plan which provides in substance:

**New Company.**—A new corporation, to be known as the Jackson Public Service Co., is to acquire the new franchise (see below) and all the assets of the Jackson Light & Traction Co. purchased under bankruptcy sale (V. 109, p. 173). The new company is to issue immediately \$1,055,000 First Mortgage Sinking Fund Gold bonds, of which \$930,000 are to be delivered, bond for bond, to the holders of certificates of deposit for the Jackson Light & Traction Co. First Mortgage 5% bonds.

Under the Mississippi statutes, priority over the old Jackson Light & Traction Co. bonds claimed by general creditors, amounting to over \$100,000. While it was believed that this claim could be defeated, however, to avoid possible litigation, an agreement with the general creditors was reached whereby they are to take bonds of the new issue and dismiss their claims to priority. Accordingly, \$125,000 bonds of the new issue are to be certified at once, out of which the satisfaction of all general creditors and of all the expenses of attorneys, engineers, and members of this protective committee, is to be accomplished, making the total amount of bonds to be issued \$1,055,000.

**New Bonds.**—The new bonds are to be dated Oct. 1 1919, and mature Oct. 1 1934, bearing interest at 5% to April 1 1922, the maturity date of the Jackson Light & Traction bonds, and 6% thereafter until maturity. They will be protected by a contract with the American Public Utilities Co., under which the latter guarantees the priority of the new issue over all liabilities incurred by the new company, thus affording protection against a recurrence of the legal situation which has arisen with regard to the creditors of the old company. Defaulted interest, due April 1 and Oct. 1 1919, on the old issue is to be paid by scrip maturing in four annual installments from Jan. 1 1921, to Jan. 1 1924, inclusive.

**New Franchise, &c.**—Since the sale of these properties in bankruptcy was effected, the properties have been operating under increased rates, and have been showing sufficient earnings to protect the bondholders under the plan of reorganization outlined above. A municipal election was held in Jackson on Jan. 17 1920, at which election a new 25-year franchise was voted by a vote of 4 to 1 for the operation of these properties. With this franchise in effect, the attorneys for your committee are proceeding with the sale of the properties to a new corporation (V. 110, p. 1849), which is to issue its bonds exchangeable for the Jackson Light & Traction bonds.

A representative of The Chicago Trust Co., under date of May 4 1920, says:

"It would be well to call your attention to the fact that this company is now in a fair way to recovery. They are at present earning about twice their interest charges, and have a new franchise, new contracts with the city, &c. The new bonds, as per reorganization plan, should be ready in the early part of June. Attached to these bonds will be April 1 1920 coupons which will be paid in cash. All interest from now on, including that, will be paid on interest dates."—Compare V. 110, p. 1849.

**Jackson (Miss.) Public Service Co.—Reorganized.**

See Jackson Light & Traction company above.

**Kansas City Mexico & Orient Ry.—Bond Application.**

The company has applied to the Texas RR. Comm. for authority to issue \$4,483,000 bonds, part of the proceeds to be used for building the proposed extension from San Angelo to Del Rio, Tex., about 65 miles; also an extension from Alpine, Tex., through Brewster and Presidio counties, to the Mexican border, about 100 miles.—V. 108, p. 1610.

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

Calendar Years—	1919.	1918.
Gross income	\$532,330	\$529,532
Total deductions	301,137	227,613
Net income	\$231,193	\$301,919
Miscellaneous	282	Cr. 9,072
Stock dividend		379,500
Cash dividend	206,340	206,340
Profit and loss surplus	\$24,571 def.	\$274,849

—V. 110, p. 1849.

**Lehigh Power Securities Corp.—Consol. of Sub. Cos.**

Steps are now under way for the merger and consolidation into a new corporation to be called *Pennsylvania Power & Light Co.* of the following subsidiaries of Lehigh Power Securities Corp.: Lehigh Valley Light & Power Co., Harwood Electric Co., Schuylkill Gas & Electric Co., Northumberland County Gas & Electric Co., Northern Central Gas Co., Columbia & Montour Electric Co. and Pennsylvania Power & Light Co., and Pennsylvania Lighting Co., now controlled by Securities Corp. General, of Phila.

Of the outstanding Preferred stock of the Harwood Electric Co., amounting to \$688,000, approximately \$500,000 par value, has recently been acquired by Lehigh Power Securities Corp. at \$86 25 a share under an offer submitted to said stockholders. A portion of the remainder has been deposited with a committee organized in Philadelphia, of which William M. Lloyd is Chairman. [See under "Industrials" below.]

It is reported that the difference between the committee and Lehigh Power Securities Corp. is one merely of the consideration to be received for the committee's holdings, and inasmuch as the Pennsylvania merger statute provides for appraisal under court direction of the holdings of those who do not wish to accept the securities of the new corporation to be formed, it is believed that the action of the committee will have no effect on the merger proceedings.—V. 110, p. 261.

**Long Island RR.—New Directors.**

Walter E. Frew and James A. McCrea have been elected directors to succeed Percival Roberts, Jr., and Walter G. Oakman.—V. 110, p. 1526.

**Louisiana & Arkansas RR.—Note Application.**

The company has applied to the Indianapolis Corporation Commission for authority to issue \$250,000 6% notes for the purpose of purchasing new locomotives and other equipment.—V. 110, p. 1415, 970.

**Marshall & East Texas RR.—Sold—Operations Discont.**

On April 15 1920 30 miles of the road between Gilmer and East Winnsboro was sold at Quitman, Tex., to Judge J. H. Beavers and others for \$75,000, and this section of the line is to be operated by citizens along the line who have bought it. The Texas & Pacific Ry. has bought part of the company's yard at Marshall, together with some other trackage, at \$17,500. Both of these sales are subject to the approval of Judge Estes of the U. S. District Court. All operations have been discontinued.—V. 110, p. 1290.

**Minneapolis St. Paul & Sault Ste. Marie Ry.—Equipment Notes Sold.**

Wm. A. Read & Co. announce the sale at par and int. by advertisement on another page of \$2,600,000 7% Equipment Trust gold notes, Series "H." Bankers state:

Maturing \$260,000 annually June 1 1921 to June 1 1930, incl. Int. payable in New York J. & D. Denom. \$1,000 c.  
**Security.**—Direct obligation of the company, issued against equipment, whose cash contract cost is 33 1-3% in excess of the amount of notes. The pledged equipment is all new and consists of 25 freight locomotives, 5 switching locomotives, 500 box cars, 6 sleeping cars, 6 baggage cars.  
**Capital.**—Dividends on both issues of Capital stock have been paid since 1903 and 7% is now being paid on the outstanding \$12,603,400 Preferred and \$25,206,800 Common.—V. 110, p. 1749, 1642.

**Monongahela Valley Traction Co.—Bonds Offered.**

National City Co., New York, are offering at 96 1/2 and int., to yield about 4 1/4%, an additional \$600,000 Gen. Mtge. 7% Five-Year Gold Bonds of 1918, due July 1 1923 (see description in V. 107, p. 1004, 1287). Bankers state:

Capitalization (Including Present Issue)	Authorized.	Outstanding.
Common stock	\$12,000,000	\$4,288,861
Preferred stock, 6% cumulative	4,000,000	3,419,706
One-Year 6% Notes		1,880,000
General Mortgage 7% bonds	15,000,000	5,987,000
Underlying bonds		9,150,000
Earnings of System for Twelve Months ended March 31 1920		\$4,776,548
Gross earnings		3,232,819
Oper. exp., taxes and 195,602 depreciation and sinking funds		876,590
Annual interest charges on \$15,137,000 bonds		
Balance		\$667,139

[The West Virginia P. S. Commission on April 21 ordered a 2-cent increase on all traction fares in Parkersburg and the interurban lines running into the city.]—V. 110, p. 970.

**Morris & Essex RR.—Bonds Approved.**

The New Jersey P. U. Commission has approved the application to issue \$73,000 of the First & Ref. bonds of 1900 to reimburse the Delaware Lackawanna & Western RR., lessee of the Morris & Essex for advances for construction.—V. 108, p. 2538.

**Nashua (N. H.) Street Ry.—Fare Increase.**

Cash fares of 10 cents became effective on April 1. Tokens are sold as formerly at the rate of five for 35 cents.—V. 106, p. 1036.

**Norfolk & Western Ry.—Notes Offered.—Guaranty**

Trust Co., New York, are offering at 96 1/2 and int. to yield over 7% \$2,500,000 Four-Year 6% Secured Gold notes. Circular shows:

To be dated May 1 1920. Due May 1 1924. Authorized, \$2,500,000. Denom., \$1,000 (c\*). Int. payable M. & N. at Guaranty Trust Co., New York, trustee. Red. all or part, on any int. date prior to maturity upon 60 days' notice, at the following prices plus int.: On Nov. 1 1920 at 101 3/4%; on May 1 1921 at 101 1/2%; on Nov. 1 1921 at 101 1/4%; on May 1 1922 at 101%; on Nov. 1 1922 at 100 3/4%; on May 1 1923 at 100 1/4%; on Nov. 1 1923 at 100%.

**Security.**—Secured by pledge with Trustee of U. S. Government Liberty Loan bonds, and company will covenant that the market value of the collateral so pledged shall be maintained at all times equal to at least 110% of the amount of the notes outstanding. Company may at any time deposit cash as security for the notes and in such event shall be entitled to withdraw collateral, but only to such an extent that the market value of the collateral securities remaining on deposit with the Trustee shall be maintained at not less than 110% of the amount of the notes remaining outstanding in excess of the amount of cash so deposited.

**Purpose.**—The net proceeds will be applied to the cost of construction of a branch line of railroad, extending for about 18 1/2 miles from Lenore, W. Va., on the company's lines, to coal mines from which it is expected company will derive about 1,000,000 tons of coal traffic per annum.

**Capitalization & Equity.**—On Dec. 31 1919, capitalization consisted of \$105,973,300 funded debt, \$22,992,300 Adjustment Preferred stock and \$121,406,800 Common stock.

**Dividends.**—Company has an unbroken dividend record on both classes of stock covering a period of 19 years, the present rate being 4% p. a. on the Adjust. Pref. stock and 7% p. a. on the Common stock. The aggregate market value of these stocks, at present quoted prices, is over \$120,000,000.

**Income Account Year ended December 31.**

	1918.	1919.
Compensation accrued under Federal control	\$20,634,142	\$20,711,875
Gross income	19,805,054	19,931,599
Fixed charges	4,113,775	5,461,443
Net income	\$15,691,279	\$14,470,156
Times charges earned	4.81	3.65
Net income from railway operations accruing to the United States Railroad Administration amounted to \$18,256,481 in 1918 and to \$10,363,404 in 1919. Compare annual report in V. 110, p. 1408, 1415.		

**Northern Massachusetts Street Ry.—Fare Increased.**

The Massachusetts Department of Public Utilities has allowed this company, effective May 3, to increase fares on schedules filed for a minimum fare of 10 cents, good for two zones, with 5 cents for each additional zone. Number of zones has been reduced from 42 to 25, but length of each extended. Former fare was 6 cents for two zones, with 3 cents for each extra fare section.—V. 110, p. 1849.

**Pennsylvania RR.—Time for Deposits Extended.**

President Samuel Rea announces: "The amount of stock of the Pittsburgh Cincinnati Chicago and St. Louis RR. already deposited under the terms of the offer made by the Pennsylvania Co. (V. 110, p. 1188) on March 15 1920, is satisfactory, and the same will be accepted for purchase on the terms and conditions set forth in the offer. To enable additional holdings







Output and Number of Customers—Calendar Years.

	1916.	1917.	1918.	1919.
Output—Gas m. cu. ft.-----	2,677,629,000	3,205,334,000	3,737,666,000	3,699,617,000
Output—Elec. k. w. h.-----	61,494,790	78,596,696	101,595,447	115,625,226
No. Consum. gas	103,094	108,832	111,919	113,463
“ Electric	35,073	39,382	41,582	43,821
“ Steam	-----	586	589	636

**American Hide & Leather Co.—Earnings, &c.—**

3 Months ending—	*Net Earnings.	Bond Interest.	Sinking Fund.	Int. on S.F.Bds.	Balance, Surplus.
March 31—	\$332,071	\$93,935	\$79,315	\$614,827	\$238,136
1920	780,202	48,560	37,500	69,665	614,827
1919	800,202	58,210	37,500	69,665	489,744
1918	655,119	-----	-----	-----	-----
<b>Nine Months—</b>	<b>\$2,239,979</b>	<b>\$31,840</b>	<b>\$291,655</b>	<b>-----</b>	<b>\$1,916,485</b>
1919-20	2,093,024	152,430	112,500	231,195	1,596,899
1918-19	2,011,969	177,180	112,500	206,445	1,515,844

\* After charging replacements and renewals and interest on loans. Net current assets March 31 1920, \$13,531,266. Bonds were paid Sept. 2 1919.—V. 110, p. 467.

**American La France Fire Engine Co.—Earnings.—** Profits for the first quarter of 1920, before allowing for income and excess profits taxes, are reported as amounting to \$220,948.—V. 110, p. 1528, 1417.

**American Multigraph Co.—Capital Increase—20% Stock Dividend—Right to Subscribe for Additional Stock—Earnings.—**

The stockholders on April 26 voted to increase the authorized Common stock from \$1,000,000 (par \$20) to \$2,500,000 (par \$20). Of the increase \$250,000 is to remain unissued for the present. The balance has been set aside by the directors for the following purposes: (a) \$200,000 for the purpose of a stock dividend of 20%, payable June 1 to Common stockholders of record May 20; (b) \$800,000 will be offered to stockholders, and (c) \$250,000 for subscription by employees.

An official circular says in substance: Common stockholders of record May 20 may subscribe for any amount of the \$800,000 Common stock at \$25 per share, the directors reserving the right to limit the allotment to 80% of the subscriber's holdings of Common stock at the close of business on said date. Subscription rights expire at the close of business on May 31 1920.

Preferred stockholders of record May 20 may subscribe to any number of shares of such offering of Common stock at \$25 per share, subject, however, to prior rights of Common stockholders and subject to allotment by the directors, to be pro-rated as nearly as may be practicable in accordance with their respective holdings on said date. Subscription rights expire May 31 1920.

Subscriptions will be payable in full June 1 or 20% on June 1 and 10% on the first day of each succeeding month, final payment being due on Feb. 1 1921. Shares will be issued as of June 1 1920 to stockholders paying in full on said date. To stockholders paying under deferred payment plan, shares will be issued on the next succeeding Common stock dividend date following payment in full of subscription price. Int. will be allowed on all partial payments at rate of 7% per annum from the date of receipt thereof by the company to date of final payment.

Employees of the company on May 20 1920 may subscribe on or before May 31 1920 for any number of shares of the offering to \$250,000, the directors reserving the right to limit the allotment of shares on each subscription. Subscriptions for such Common stock will be payable in full June 1 1920, with the privilege to pay for stock allotment in installments as follows: \$2 per share on June 1 1920, \$1 per share payable on the first day of each succeeding month until Feb. 1 1922, and a final payment of \$2 per share on March 1 1922.

Shares will be issued as of June 1 1920 to employees paying in full on said date. To employees paying under deferred plan, shares will be issued on the next succeeding Common stock dividend date following payment in full of subscription price. Interest will be allowed on all partial payments at the rate of 7% per annum from date of receipt of partial payment to date of receipt of final payment. If an employee leaves the company before subscription has been paid in full, his rights to the stock under said subscription shall immediately cease and terminate, and all moneys credited on such subscription will be returned on the next succeeding interest payment date.

	Sales.	Prof. aft. Tax.	Com. Div.	Prof. Div.
1916	\$4,178,004	\$685,602	\$50,000	\$52,379
1917	4,030,478	495,903	280,000	52,472
1918	4,632,621	319,831	280,000	52,500
1919	5,037,187	495,636	100,000	50,400
1920 (3 months)	1,249,227	155,054	30,000	12,600

—V. 110, p. 1417.

**American Steel Foundries.—Stock Dividend—Earnings.** The directors have declared a stock dividend of 6% on the Common stock, payable May 29 to stock of record May 15.

Earnings of American Steel Foundries for Quarters ending Mar. 31.

	1920.	1919.	1918.
Net earnings	\$2,066,713	\$1,827,967	\$2,069,850
Depreciation	127,491	-----	-----
Other income	Cr. 122,215	Cr. 50,839	Cr. 41,170
Interest, sinking fund, &c.	106,642	14,675	46,427
Federal taxes	539,000	570,000	548,000
Balance, surplus	\$1,415,295	\$1,294,131	\$1,506,593

—V. 110, p. 1190.

**American Tobacco Co.—75% Stock Dividend Approved—To Redeem \$12,072,720 Scrip.—**

The stockholders on May 6 approved the plan of the directors for a 75% stock dividend on Common and Common Stock "B" by the distribution of authorized but unissued Common Stock "B" on Aug. 1, to Common stockholders of record on July 15. The plan carries with it the redemption of the outstanding scrip amounting to \$12,072,720, by the issuance of Common stock in exchange for scrip, in order that scrip holders may participate in the stock dividend. Compare V. 110, p. 1644.

**American Water Works & Elec. Co., Inc.—Officers.—** Guy E. Tripp has been elected a director and W. S. Finlay, Jr., has been made a Vice President.—V. 110, p. 563.

**American Wholesale Corporation.—April Sales.—**

1920—April—1919.	Increase.	1920—4 Mos.—1919.	Increase.
\$2,616,348	\$2,100,876	\$515,472	\$14,610,446
\$9,395,096	\$5,215,350	-----	-----

—V. 110, p. 1528, 1850.

**Anaconda Copper Mining Co.—Output (lbs.)—**

1920—April—1919.	Increase	1920—4 Mos.—1919.	Increase.
15,800,000	13,750,000	2,050,000	70,850,000
55,950,000	14,900,000	-----	-----

—V. 110, p. 972, 1528.

**Art Metal Construction Co.—100% Stock Dividend.—** A stock dividend of 100% has been declared, payable June 16 to holders of record June 5. This distribution will increase the outstanding Capital stock from \$1,457,120 to \$2,914,240, par \$10.

Calendar Years—	1919.	1918.	1917.	1916.
Net shipments	\$4,565,556	\$5,435,508	\$3,387,212	\$2,286,375
Net profits	1,061,765	867,306	299,102	261,763
Fed. & State taxes (est.)	300,000	550,000	120,000	-----
Dividends	233,139	145,582	-----	-----
Balance, surplus	\$528,626	\$171,724	\$179,102	\$261,733

—V. 110, p. 1528.

**A. T. Securities Co.—To Vote on Dissolution June 3.—** The stockholders will vote June 3 on dissolving the company. Transfer books will close May 18 and will not be reopened, so that stockholders of that date will be entitled to distribution of assets.

Following ratification by the American Tobacco Co. stockholders of the plan for distribution of a 75% stock dividend in "B" Common (see above), final preparations are being made to dissolve the A. T. Securities Corp. This will be completed in time to permit A. T. Securities stockholders to

receive directly the stock dividend which is payable by American Tobacco Aug. 1 to stock of record July 15.

When A. T. Securities Corp. was formed it gave four shares of its stock for one of American Tobacco common. Upon dissolution shareholders will be entitled to one share of American Tobacco common for each four shares of A. T. Securities. "Wall Street Journal." Compare V. 110, p. 1645

**Autosales Corporation—Earnings for Cal. Year 1919.—** Earnings after deducting cost of goods sold \$1,739,206

Operating expenses, \$1,317,063; administrative and general expenses, \$69,392	1,386,455
Net profit from operations	\$352,751
Income from miscellaneous accounts	28,227
Gross income	\$380,978
Profit and loss charges	22,021
Reserve for Federal income taxes and other contingencies (est.)	50,000
Net profit for period	\$308,957

—V. 110, p. 564.

**Barnsdall Corporation.—Earnings for Three Months.—** The consolidated statement of income, including subsidiaries, for the period from Jan. 1 to March 31 1920, shows: Gross sales and earnings of all companies of which the entire capital stock is owned, \$1,572,195; producing and operating expenses, \$566,684; net producing and operating income, \$1,006,111; other income, \$155,840; total earnings, \$1,161,951; depreciation, depletion, Federal taxes, &c., \$542,103; net income consolidated companies, \$619,848; dividends, \$325,000; balance, \$294,848.

Barnsdall Corporation's proportion of earnings after all charges of affiliated companies not consolidated, in excess of dividends received, \$157,552; surplus, \$452,400.—V. 110, p. 1750, 1528.

**Beech-Nut Packing Co.—Notes Offered.—**Kidder, Peabody & Co., New York, are offering at prices ranging from 98.90 and int. to 97.50 and int., to yield about 7.60%, according to maturity, by advertisement on another page \$2,000,000 Two to Five Years 7% Gold notes.

Dated May 1 1920. Due \$500,000 each May 1 1922 to 1925. Denom. \$1,000 and \$500 (c\*). Int. payable M. & N. at Liberty National Bank, New York, trustee. Callable at any time on 60 days' notice at 101 and int. Company agrees that no other debt except purchase money mortgages and pledges for temporary loans will be created during the life of this issue.

Data from Letter of Pres. Bartlett Arkell, Canajoharie, N.Y., April 23. Company—Incorp. in 1899 in New York to produce food products. Business has shown continuous and healthy growth.

Balance Sheet March 31 1920, After Present Financing.

Assets—	Liabilities—		
Re-machinery	\$3,318,086	Preferred stock	\$1,000,000
Advances	477,895	Common stock	900,000
Investments	419,303	Serial notes	2,000,000
Cash	457,947	Accounts payable	58,359
Accounts receivable	632,037	Res. for taxes, &c.	288,122
Bills receivable	128,013	Reserve for deprec.	492,608
Inventory	3,653,391	Surplus	4,558,195
Bank stocks	210,612	Total (each side)	\$9,297,284

Earnings.—Sales have increased from \$3,862,764 in 1913 to \$8,740,956 in 1919. Net earnings for the first quarter of 1920 show an increase of 75% over the corresponding period of last year. Average net earnings applicable to charges for the past 6 years are \$1,026,451, or over 7 times the interest required by these notes.

Purpose.—To retire bank loans and to provide working capital for increased business.

For further particulars as to plant, &c., see V. 109, p. 1643; V. 110, p. 1851.

**British American Tobacco Co., Ltd.—Stock Div., &c.—**

An official announcement says: "Meetings of shareholders have been called for May 10 to increase the capital stock by £2,500,000 and to sanction a bonus distribution to the Ordinary Shareholders on the register on May 17 1920, and to holders of share warrants to bearer on that date of one share in four, approximately 3,202,853 shares. It is also proposed to distribute the issued capital of 641,000 shares of no par value of the Garland Steamship Corp. which the company has acquired in the proportion of one share for each 20 ordinary shares of British-American Tobacco Co., Ltd., and to pay one shilling in respect of each fraction of one-twentieth."—V. 110, p. 1851, 1190.

**British Empire Steel Corp.—Merger Plan.—**At Montreal on May 2 and 3, Col. W. Grant Morden outlined the terms of the proposed merger of Canadian companies named below substantially as follows:

The share capital of the corporation was as follows:

Capital Stock of New Company—	Authorized.	To be Issued.
7% Cumulative Preferred	\$50,000,000	\$37,000,000
8% do (participating)	100,000,000	25,000,000
7% non-cumulative preferred	150,000,000	68,000,000
Common	200,000,000	77,000,000

Total \$500,000,000 \$207,000,000

Concerns Included.—Included in the consolidation are the following: Dominion Steel Corp. and its subsidiaries; Nova Scotia Steel & Coal Co., Ltd., and its subsidiaries; Canada Steamship Lines, Ltd., and its subsidiaries; Canada Foundries & Forgings, Ltd., and its subsidiaries; Maritime Nail Co. and its subsidiaries; Collingwood Shipbuilding Co., Ltd.; Port Arthur Shipbuilding Co., Ltd.; Halifax Shipyards, Ltd.; Davie Shipbuilding & Repairing Co., Ltd.

To the above list may be added several other enterprises, negotiations with which are now in progress.

Earnings.—The net earnings, after deductions for depreciation and full and generous provision is made for taxation and other charges, averaging the results of the last three years shows \$16,000,000, while the current year's earnings are estimated to exceed \$20,000,000, or equal to 15% on the Common stock we propose to issue.

Dividend Prospects.—In view of the anticipated earnings of the constituent companies in the current year, together with the savings to be effected through unification of control brought about by the affiliation of interests, through which operating expenses will be reduced by several millions annually, the directors of the British Empire Steel Corp. feel that they will be quite justified in placing the Com. stock of the enterprise on a 5% dividend basis before the end of 1920.

New Capitalization, &c.—We assume and put against the outstanding preference shares of the constituent companies an equivalent amount of preference shares, namely, \$37,000,000. We issue \$25,000,000 of 8% preference participating shares as against an equivalent amount of cash to provide the corporation with the additional funds needed to carry out its ambitious program of expansion and improvement, and we pay for the combined properties \$68,000,000 in 7% non-cumulative preference shares and \$77,000,000 of Com. stock. That makes a total of \$207,000,000.

We have an appraised value that has been substantiated by the greatest experts obtainable on the North American continent and in England, of \$403,000,000 of assets, plus a surplus of \$42,000,000 of quick assets over current liabilities. In other words, we have a net asset value there of \$450,000,000 odd.

Directors and Officers.—The management of the new corporation will comprise the ablest men of the boards of the constituent companies and four or five names, which rank of national standing, will be added.

London Advisory Board.—This board will include Sir William Beardmore, Bart., Chairman of William Beardmore & Co., Glasgow; Henry Steel, Chairman of the United Steel Companies of Great Britain and the Bengal Iron & Steel Co. of India; Right Hon. Viscount Furness, Chairman of the Furness group of English steel industrialists; Benjamin Talbot, J.P., Managing Director of the Furness Companies; Major-Gen. Sir Newton Moore, G.C.M.G., M.C., formerly Prime Minister of Western Australia, director of the General Electric Co. of England and closely associated with the Australian steel industry, and Sir Trevor Dawson, Bart., Deputy Chairman and Managing Director of Vickers, Ltd.

Terms of Exchange.—The terms on which Common shares of the three principal component parts are to enter the new consolidation, subject to shareholders' approval, are reported as follows for each \$100 thereof:



**Dominion Steel Corp.**—\$95 par value in 7% non-cumulative Pref. stock of the new corporation, plus \$40 in Com. stock.  
**Canada Steamship Lines, Ltd.**—\$100 par value in 7% non-cumulative Pref. stock, plus \$45 in Com.; and  
**Nova Scotia Steel & Coal Co., Ltd.**—\$90 par value in 7% non-cumulative stock, plus \$40 in Com.

**Bristol Brass Corp.—New Director.**

Roy T. H. Barnes, of Hartford, Conn., has been elected a director, succeeding A. B. Seelig. Earnings for 1919, it is said, aggregate approximately \$168,000.—V. 110, p. 361, 263.

**Brookside Mills Corp., Boston.—Extra Dividend.**

An extra dividend of \$5 per share, together with the regular semi-annual dividend of \$5, have been declared on the outstanding \$1,600,000 Capital stock, payable May 15 to holders of record April 27.—V. 107, p. 1749.

**Brown Shoe Co., Inc.—33 1-3% Stock Dividend.**

The directors have declared a stock dividend of 33 1-3%, payable to Common holders of record June 19, thereby increasing the outstanding Common stock from \$6,300,000 to \$8,400,000. The regular quarterly dividend of 1 3/4% was also declared on the Common stock, payable June 1 to holders of record May 20.—V. 109, p. 2442.

**Bush Terminal Co., Brooklyn, N. Y.—Obituary.**

Vice-Pres. William Shillaber of the Bush Terminal Co., President of the Newfoundland-American Packing Co., died on April 29.—V. 110, p. 263, 1645.

**Caddo Central Oil & Refining Co.—Stock Increase.**

The stockholders voted May 3 (a) to increase the capital stock from 150,000 to 200,000 shares, (b) to change the par value of the stock from \$100 to no par value shares.—V. 110, p. 1640, 1645, 1851.

**Calumet & Arizona Mining Co.—Production (Pounds).**

1920—April—1919.	Increase.	1920—4 Mos.—1919.	Decrease.
3,176,000	3,150,000	26,000	13,978,000
			14,198,000
			220,000

—V. 110, p. 1645, 1641.

**Canada Foundries & Forgings, Ltd.—Merger.**

See British Empire Steel Corp. above.—V. 110, p. 1091.

**Canada Steamship Lines, Ltd.—Sells Sub. Co.**

Reports from Montreal on April 30 state that company has sold control of the Quebec Steamship Co., Ltd., operating freight and passenger vessels between New York and West Indies ports to Furness, Witly & Co., Ltd. See British Empire Steel Corp. above.—V. 110, p. 873.

**Century Oil Co.—Officers, &c.**

On May 6 the following were elected directors: O. A. Schreiber, a director of Winchester Arms Co., A. M. Stewart, President James Stewart & Co.; Harvey Huffman, a director of the Stroudsburg National Bank; Emerson G. Gaylord, President Cabot Trust Co.; F. H. Dewey, President Mechanics National Bank of Worcester; John L. Kuser, director Fidelity Trust Co., Newark, and A. E. Fitkin.  
 John F. Wallace, Chairman of the board Southern Oil & Transport Corp. and a director of Taylor, Wharton Iron & Steel Co., has been chosen Chairman and Vincent G. Shinkle, for 17 years associated with Mid-Continent Oil companies, was appointed President.

**Chalmers Motor Corp.—Time for Deposits Extended.**

See Maxwell Motor Co., Inc. below.—V. 110, p. 661.

**Chandler Motor Car Co.—33 1-3% Stock Dividend.**

The directors on May 5 declared a stock dividend of 33 1-3%, payable June 10 to stockholders of record June 1; this action increased the outstanding Common stock from 210,000 shares (no par value) to 280,000 shares (no par value).  
 The operations for the first four months of this year, it is reported, resulted in shipments over three and a half times those of a year ago.—V. 110, p. 1751, 1087.

**Citizens Gas Light Co., Quincy, Mass.—Stock.**

The Mass. Department of Public Utilities has granted the company's petition to issue \$175,000 additional capital stock for the purpose of providing funds to be applied to improvements.—V. 109, p. 1528.

**Collingwood Shipbuilding Co., Ltd.—Merger.**

See British Empire Steel Corp. above.—V. 75, p. 443.

**Columbia Graphophone Mfg. Co.—Listing—Earnings.**

The New York Stock Exchange has authorized the listing of not exceeding 200,000 additional shares of Common stock, no par value, on official notice of issuance and payment in full, making the total amount applied for 1,204,031 shares.

In accordance with resolutions of the directors, Common stockholders of record May 3 will be entitled to subscribe to said shares at \$27 50 per share to the extent of 20% of their holdings. Compare V. 110, p. 1751.

**Income and Surplus for Three Months ended March 31 1920.**

Earnings from all sources for three months ended Mar. 31 1920.	\$3,515,852
Interest on funded and floating debt.	42,677
Depreciation reserves and other charges.	122,059
Reserve for excise, income and excess profits taxes for period.	1,564,380

Net income.	\$1,786,736
Surplus account at Dec. 31 1919.	2,864,545

Total surplus, March 31 1920. \$4,651,281  
 —V. 110, p. 1751, 1293.

**Columbia Syndicate.—Stock Sold.**

F. S. Smithers & Co., and Moore, Leonard & Lynch announce that all of the 150,000 shares of stock recently offered by them at \$11 a share has been sold.—Compare V. 110, p. 1852.

**Consolidated Gas Co. of N. Y.—80c. Gas Confiscatory.**

The final report of Special Master Abraham S. Gilbert was filed with Federal Judge Julius M. Mayer on May 6. The report sustains the contentions of the company that the 80-cent gas law is confiscatory.

The special master contrasts the earnings for 1,000 cu. ft. with a working capital of \$3,800,000, based on 19,000,000,000 feet of sales, bringing the invested capital of the company up to \$74,854,351, upon which, he says, the company is entitled to a fair return. He says:

"Taking into consideration all of the factors which the courts have indicated as entering into the determination of a reasonable and proper rate of return upon capital employed in supplying gas to the public, I am of the opinion that this complainant is entitled to receive a return of at least 8% on the value of the property used in its gas business."—V. 110, p. 1751.

**Consol. Interstate-Callahan Mining Co.—Shipments.**

Month of—	April 1920.	Mar. 1920.	Feb. 1920.
51% zinc concentrates (lbs.)	5,900,000	7,400,000	8,020,000
59% lead concentrates (lbs.)	2,100,000	2,900,000	3,080,000
Silver (ounces)	23,100	29,290	32,340

—V. 110, p. 1645, 1529.

**Crowell & Thurlow Steamship Co.—Capital Increase.**

The stockholders voted May 6 to increase the capital stock from \$1,000,000 to \$4,000,000, preparatory, it is stated, to the declaration of a 200% stock dividend which it is expected the directors will declare next week. The "Boston News Bureau" says: "It is possible that directors will place the increased stock on a \$4 dividend basis, although a fair chance exists that the rate will not be higher than \$3. The present 100,000 shares, par \$10, will receive a 200% stock dividend, making 300,000 shares outstanding. If the dividend basis is established at \$4 it would be equivalent to \$12 a share on the present stock and \$120 a share on the original capital of the company, which was 10,000 shares of \$100 par. Company is now paying \$8. Last year the company earned \$16 to \$17 a share on the existing 100,000 shares, and should this year earn at least \$20 on the same capitalization."—V. 110, p. 1852.

**Crown Oil & Refining Co.—New Officers, &c.**

H. B. Moore, of Houston, has been elected President, succeeding G. E. Colvin; H. F. Montgomery has been made Vice-Pres. and Sec., and C. E. Robinson, Treasurer. H. B. Moore, C. L. Robinson, R. R. Kelly, F. W.

Parker, R. A. Searle have been elected directors to succeed G. E. Colvin, J. W. Colvin, R. L. Young, Thomas White and P. J. White.

Mr. Montgomery is quoted as follows: "The Crown refinery is handling about 5,000 barrels daily at this time. This includes crude from the West Columbia, Hull and Humble and Goose Creek fields. The company has about a million barrels of crude in storage. Part of our current supply is from the Gilliard No. 2, at Goose Creek, which came in last week."—V. 109, p. 274.

**Cuban-American Sugar Co.—Listing.**

The New York Stock Exchange has authorized the listing on and after, May 10, of temporary certificates for \$10,000,000 Common stock, par \$10, on official notice of issuance in exchange for present outstanding certificate of Common stock, par \$100.—V. 110, p. 1645, 1418.

**Dominion Linens, Ltd.—5% Cash Bonus.**

Secretary H. A. Hignell on April 15 announced that a "bonus of 5%" (no doubt in cash) would be paid on the stock May 1 to holders of record April 14. This distribution was reported last week as though payable in Common stock.—V. 110, p. 1853, 1191.

**Dominion Steel Corporation.—Merger Plan.**

See British Empire Steel Corp. above.—V. 110, p. 1293.

**Duquesne Light Co., Pittsburgh.—To Incr. Bond. Debt.**

The stockholders will vote July 6 on increasing the indebtedness of the company from \$25,000,000 to \$100,000,000, and on authorizing \$75,000,000 in addition to the \$25,000,000 now outstanding of First M. & Collateral Trust 30-year gold bonds. See description in V. 109, p. 176.

**Elgin Motor Car Corp.—Capital Increase.**

The stockholders have voted to increase the Capital stock from \$3,500,000 to \$10,000,000 to provide for plant additions.—"Chicago Economist."—V. 103, p. 581.

**Endicott-Johnson Corp.—10% Stock Dividend.**

The directors have ordered the payment of a 10% dividend in Common stock, payable June 10, to Common shareholders of record May 26. This distribution will increase the outstanding Common stock from \$14,900,000 to \$16,390,000.—V. 110, p. 1853.

**Foundation Company, N. Y.—Stock Dividend.**

The shareholders at a postponed meeting on May 3 authorized the proposed increase in the authorized capital stock from 20,000 to 40,000 shares. The directors have accordingly declared the expected 25% stock dividend, payable May 20 to shareholders of record on May 15, thus increasing the outstanding stock from 20,000 shares of no par value to 25,000 shares.

Dividends in the past have been paid at the rate of 1% quarterly with extras (1% &c). On Monday the directors establishing a new policy declared a straight quarterly 2% distribution which will be paid at the usual dividend date, June 15, probably to holders of record June 1.

W. H. Quaw & Co., 74 Broadway, are preparing a circular regarding the company and its operations, bal. sheet, &c.—V. 110, p. 1530.

**Fisher Body Corporation.—Earnings.**

	8 Mos. to Dec. 31 '19.	1918-19.	April 30 Years—1917-18.
Net income after Fed. taxes, &c.	\$2,625,299	\$1,603,289	\$2,854,481
Preferred dividends (7% p. a.)	223,317	304,539	326,305
Common dividends (\$2 50)	1,250,000	-----	-----

Balance, surplus. \$1,151,982 \$1,298,750 \$2,528,176  
 —V. 110, p. 1646.

**(H. H.) Franklin Mfg. Co. (Automobiles), Syracuse, N. Y.—To Increase Capital and Create No Par Value Shares.**

The stockholders will vote May 26 on increasing the capital stock from \$5,000,000, 7% Preferred stock, to \$15,000,000 7% Preferred stock and from \$2,000,000 Common stock (par \$100) to \$15,000,000 (par \$100). The stockholders will vote June 21 on converting the new Common stock into 600,000 shares Common stock no par value.

A statement pronounced "substantially correct" for the "Chronicle" says: "The directors have arranged to sell Common stock at \$50 per share to Preferred stockholders on the basis of one share of Common stock for each two shares of Preferred stock held. The opportunity to purchase will be held open for 30 days following the meeting of June 21. Pending issuance of Common stock certificates, the company is arranging to forward to each Preferred stockholder conditional right certificates outlining the number of shares to which each Preferred stockholder is entitled, and under what conditions."

"The directors have already authorized the issuance of \$3,500,000 of the present Preferred stock and in a few days will authorize the issuance of the remaining \$1,500,000. The new Preferred stock will have the same Com. stock rights as that already issued. It is not planned to sell any more stock than that mentioned above during the present year."

The "Boston News Bureau" says: "The increase to \$15,000,000 Common, par \$100, is for the purpose of declaring a 25% stock dividend prior to conversion into shares of no par value. An undivided surplus of about \$1,000,000 will remain after the stock dividend." See V. 110, p. 1853, 973.

**General Development Co., N. Y.—Dividend.**

A dividend of 50 cents per share has been declared on the Capital stock, payable May 20 to holders of record May 10. This is the second distribution since Sept. 1918 when 75 cents was paid. In Feb. last a dividend of 50 cents was paid.—V. 110, p. 170.

**General Electric Co.—Acquisition.**

The company has acquired the former plant of the Bartlett Hayward Co., Baltimore, recently offered for sale by the Government and used during the war primarily for the production of shrapnel shells. The plant consists of a number of one-story buildings on a tract of 40 acres, providing about 450,000 sq. ft. of floor space, and represented an original outlay of about \$2,100,000. The price paid by the General Electric is to be between \$600,000 to \$1,000,000.

It is understood that the company will use the plant for the manufacture of electric switchboards and switchboard accessories.—V. 110, p. 1646, 1530.

**General Fireproofing Co.—50% Stock Dividend.**

A stock dividend of 50% has been declared, thus increasing the outstanding Common stock from \$1,017,500 to \$1,526,250. There is also outstanding \$1,374,900 Preferred stock.—V. 106, p. 718.

**Greenfield Tap & Die Corp.—Listing.—50% Stk. Divs., &c.**

The Boston Stock Exchange on April 20 placed on the list 80,000 shares Common stock, par \$25.

**Earnings.**—For the calendar year 1919: gross sales, \$4,793,209; net income, \$1,200,605; total income, \$1,332,558; deductions, \$520,971 profit for year, \$811,557.

**Dividends.**—On Pref. stock at rate of 6% per annum since organization. On the Common stock (\$100 par): 1912, 2%; 1913, 4%; 1914 and 1915, 5% each; 1916, 5 1/2%; 1917, 6%; with an extra stock dividend of 20%; 1918, 6%; 1919, 8% regular and 10% extra in Liberty bonds; 1920 (\$25 par): April 1, \$1; July 1, \$1 regular and 50% stock.

The directors have declared a 50% stock dividend on the outstanding 80,000 shares Common stock (par \$25) payable July 1 to holders of record June 4, bring the outstanding stock up to 120,000 shares. The regular quarterly dividend of \$1 per share has also been declared payable July 1 to holders of record June 4.

Balance Sheet as of Dec. 31 1919 after giving effect to the issuance of \$500,000 additional Common stock (see offering in V. 110, p. 769.)

Assets.		Liabilities.	
Property, plant & equip.	\$3,054,011	Preferred stock	\$1,500,000
Good-will	600,000	Common stock	2,000,000
Treasury stock—Pref.	161,300	Notes & accounts payable	1,274,864
Cash	261,704	Reserves for deprec. Fed.	-----
Notes & accounts rec.	845,773	tax, &c.	1,138,460
Inventories	2,693,622	Surplus	2,329,551
U. S. & Canadian bonds	530,300		
Other assets	96,166	Total (each side)	\$8,242,875

**Officers.**—Frederick H. Payne, Pres.; Francis G. Echols, Vice-Pres. & Gen. Mgr.; Loen M. Lamb, Sec. & Compt.; Frank A. Yeaw, Treas.; Frederick E. Hawks, Asst. Treas.  
**Directors.**—Charles Allen, Francis G. Echols, Franklin Judge, Frederick H. Payne, William M. Pratt, Joseph W. Stevens, Charles N. Stoddard.—V. 110, p. 768



**Halifax Shipyards, Ltd.—Merger Plan.**—  
See British Empire Steel Corp. above.—V. 107, p. 1923.

**Hartford Automotive Parts Co.—Earnings.**—  
Company reports net sales for 1919 of \$1,241,938 and net profits of \$156,718, equal, after Preferred dividends, to \$9 71 a share on the Common stock of \$50 par value. Net earnings for 1920 are estimated at \$230,000. Company is the second largest manufacturer of universal joints, drive shafts and cone clutches for automobiles and trucks. Net assets, it is stated, now equal over \$88 for every share of \$50 Preferred outstanding.—V. 109, p. 1370.

**Hartman Corporation.—New Directors.**—  
Melvin Emerich and Sidney H. Kahn have been elected directors.—V. 110, p. 657, 665.

**Harwood Electric Co.—Committee for Preferred Stock.**—  
The committee named below in requesting the Preferred stockholders to deposit their shares with the Rittenhouse Trust Co., Phila., states: "In view of pending proposals looking to the purchase of the Preferred stock of the Harwood Electric Co., the undersigned believe that immediate cooperation among the Preferred stockholders is expedient in order to insure that they will receive an adequate price for their holdings."

**Protective Committee.**—William M. Lloyd, Chairman; Frederick J. Petry, Howard Longstreth, F. Corlies Morgan, Jos. S. Lovering Wharton.  
About the proposed merger of the Harwood Electric Co. with the companies mentioned (see Lehigh Power Securities Corp. under "Railroads" above), William M. Lloyd in reply to an inquiry says: "An offer of 86 1/4 per share cash has been made for the stock, and an alternative offer of 9-10 per share of the new Preferred stock in the merged companies. As neither of these offers were satisfactory to the stockholders with whom we were in touch, we decided to form a protective committee and expect to find out in court just what the rights of Cumulative Preferred stockholders are."—V. 107, p. 407.

**Haynes Automobile Co.—60% Stock Dividend, &c.**—  
A stock dividend of 60% has been declared, thus increasing the outstanding Common stock from \$2,500,000 to \$4,000,000.  
The directors have voted to build a malleable iron foundry to cost \$250,000, a plant to manufacture the Little Six Haynes automobile and a factory in which to manufacture the bodies.—V. 109, p. 1464.

**Hercules Powder Co.—Quarterly Report.**—

Quarters end. Mar. 31—	1920.	1919.	1918.	1917.
Gross receipts	\$4,786,630	\$6,674,785	\$8,800,872	\$13,548,610
Net earnings, ad dep., &c.	632,023	302,881	1,328,065	1,858,938
Prof. div. (1 1/4%)	93,625	93,625	93,625	93,625
Balance, surplus	\$538,398	\$209,356	\$1,234,440	\$1,765,313

—V. 110, p. 1092.

**Holly Sugar Corporation.—Tenders.**—  
The Columbia Trust Co. of N. Y., will, until May 13, receive sealed bids for the sale to it of sufficient Pref. stock to exhaust the sum of \$396,070, now in the sinking fund, at not exceeding 115 and accrued dividends.—V. 110, p. 1752.

**Inspiration Consolidated Copper Co.—Output (Lbs.).**—

1920—April—1919.	Increase.	1920—4 Mos.—1919.	Increase.
8,000,000	6,900,000	1,100,000	28,900,000
	1,100,000		26,700,000
			2,200,000

—V. 110, p. 1639, 1530.

**International Agricultural Corporation.—Outlook for Discharge of Accumulated Dividends on Preferred Stock.**—

In view of the satisfactory showing made by recent earnings, it is understood that the directors have as individuals been discussing the question of ways and means of discharging the accumulated dividends aggregating about 42% on the \$13,055,500 7% Pref. stock and the possible increase in the current dividend rate on that stock from 5 to 7%. Owing to the absence from town of directors Thomas W. Lamont and Albert H. Wiggin the matter has not, it is said, been brought before the board for formal consideration. Mr. Wiggin has recently returned to the city, but Mr. Lamont is in the Far East, having been to China and being recently reported as in Japan. It is thought unlikely that action regarding the matter will be taken until Mr. Lamont is home again, and then only in case general conditions continue favorable.  
The Bankers Trust Co. will, until May 19, receive proposals for the sale to it of sufficient First Mtge. & Coll. Trust 5% 20-Yr. Sinking Fund Gold bonds to absorb \$325,390, now in the sinking fund, at not exceeding 103 and interest.—V. 110, p. 1419.

**International Motor Truck Co.—Quarterly Earnings.**—

Quarters ending March 31—	1920.	1919.
Operating profit after depreciation, interest, &c.	\$1,368,057	\$878,574
Reserve for Federal taxes, contingencies, &c.	400,000	338,737
Balance, surplus	\$968,057	\$539,827

A press report states that these earnings were obtained on a production of 1,870 trucks during the March quarter, an annual rate of approximately 7,500 trucks per annum.—V. 110, p. 1854.

**International Paper Co.—Director.**—  
Allen Curtis has been elected a director, succeeding F. S. Flower.—V. 110, p. 1752, 1743.

**Jewel Tea Co., Inc.—Sales for 4 & 12 Weeks end. Mar. 20.**

1920—4 Weeks—1919.	Increase.	1920—12 Weeks—1919.	Increase.
\$1,432,750	\$1,313,706	\$119,044	\$4,184,809
			\$3,812,640
			\$372,169

—V. 110, p. 1854, 1413.

**Jim Butler Tonopah Mining Co.—New Director.**—  
George F. Tyler has been elected a director to succeed the late Richard G. Park.—V. 110, p. 1531.

**Libby, McNeill & Libby.—50% Stock Dividend.**—  
Company has declared a stock dividend of 50% payable Aug. 14 to stock of record June 5. Stockholders of record June 5 have been offered the right to subscribe for 50% new stock at par (\$10). Stockholders will vote May 27 on increasing the Capital stock from 1,280,000 to 2,700,000 shares (par \$10), and ratify the details of financing approved by the directors which includes sale to employees of company and its subsidiaries of the stock at par as directors may determine. An official statement says: "Extension of business and increased costs have made it necessary for Libby-McNeill & Libby to seek additional capital. The result of the new financing will be to reduce interest charges and effect economies in operation and to interest employees financially in the business."—V. 109, p. 1797.

**Lowell Gas Light Co.—Stock Approved.**—  
The Mass. Department of Public Utilities has granted the company's petition for an addition of capital stock of \$200,000 to be applied to the payment and cancellation of its outstanding obligations, maturing Nov. 1 1920.—V. 110, p. 1531.

**Magma Copper Co.—Annual Report.**—

Calendar Years—	1919.	1918.	1917.	1916.
Metal sales	\$1,715,879	\$3,041,978	\$3,251,104	\$2,274,725
Inventory decrease	492,159	144,156	Inc. 16,972	Inc. 308,422
Operating expenses, &c.	1,841,118	2,219,285	2,083,947	1,376,967
Depreciation	132,921	118,715	94,273	82,431
Selling expenses & taxes	58,605	59,339	33,005	27,211
Net profit	\$175,394	\$500,483	\$1,056,851	\$1,096,538
Other income	44,196	18,867	11,136	796
Net income	\$219,590	\$519,350	\$1,067,987	\$1,097,334
Dividends		480,000	504,000	480,000
Miscellaneous charges	41,513			
Balance, surplus	\$178,077	\$39,350	\$563,987	\$617,334

—V. 108, p. 2532.

**Manomet Mills, New Bedford.—Capital Increase.**—  
The stockholders voted April 21 to increase the capital stock from \$3,000,000 to \$8,000,000. A circular issued to the stockholders dated April 21 1920 and signed by Pres. William Whitman and Treas. Arnold G. Gardner says in substance:

The stockholders voted (1) to issue \$2,000,000 to stockholders of record of this date, April 21 1920, as a stock dividend, without payment therefor, in the proportion of two new shares for every three shares held; that certificates representing new shares shall be issued only for full shares and shall be issued as of and dated May 15 1920, and such full shares shall participate in dividends declared thereafter; that scrip for fractions of shares shall be issued at once to each stockholder entitled, which may be exchanged for full shares if presented and surrendered to the Commonwealth Trust Co., 30 Congress St., Boston, on or before May 15 in amounts entitling the holder thereof to receive one or more full shares, after which date all scrip shall be void.

(2) That the additional 30,000 shares shall be offered to stockholders of record April 21 1920 for subscription at par (\$100) in the proportion of three of the shares authorized by this vote of each five shares held by each, for this purpose including in the number of shares held by each his proportion of the shares representing the stock dividend aforesaid as if issued on this date. No subscription shall be permitted for a fractional part of a share, but fractional parts when aggregating full shares shall entitle the holder to subscribe for full shares. Shares shall be paid for at par in cash at the office of the Commonwealth Trust Co., Boston, in installments as follows: 25% on or before June 1 1920, 25% on or before Oct. 1 1920, 25% on or before Feb. 1 1921, 25% on or before June 1 1921.

Interest at the rate of 6% per annum shall be allowed subscribers on all installments (except the last) from the date of receipt to June 1 1921, and subscribers may anticipate payment of any installment and receive interest at the rate aforesaid for the time anticipated. All subscriptions and assignments of rights must be filed with the Commonwealth Trust Co. on or before May 21 1920, and all shares not subscribed for shall be sold for the benefit of the company for cash at no less than par, as directors shall prescribe. Certificates for new shares shall be issued as of and dated June 1 1921, and the new shares shall participate in dividends declared after that date.—V. 110, p. 1531, 471.

**Maxwell Motor Co., Inc.—Time for Deposits Under Merger Plan Extended to July 31.**—

The committee of which Harry Bronner is chairman announces that the time for the deposit of securities under the plan and agreement of readjustment (V. 109, p. 985) has been extended to July 31 1920.

The committee says: "This extension is necessitated by the failure of security-holders to deposit their securities in sufficient amounts to justify the committee in attempting to carry out the plan. Under the plan of readjustment the committee has until Aug. 30 1920 to declare the plan operative. The committee will continue its efforts to carry out the plan if prior to July 31 1920 sufficient additional deposits are received."—V. 110, p. 1648, 664.

**May Department Stores Co., N. Y.—Stock Dividend of 33 1-3%—Cash Dividend Increased to 8% P. A.**—

The directors have declared a stock dividend of 33 1-3%, thereby increasing the outstanding Common stock from \$15,000,000 to \$20,000,000. The directors also voted to increase the annual dividend rate from 7% to 8%, paying a quarterly dividend of 2% on June 1 to holders of record May 17 and a further quarterly dividend of 2% on Sept. 1 to holders of record Aug. 15. The stock dividend will be paid on stock of record on June 25 but the date of distribution is not stated.—V. 110, p. 1523, 1419.

**Maynard Coal Co., Columbus, O.—To Increase Capital.**  
The stockholders will vote May 24 on increasing the authorized common stock from \$800,000 to \$1,500,000. The Pref. stock will remain unchanged, \$1,500,000.—Compare V. 110, p. 769.

**Miami Copper Co.—Earnings.—Copper Output (lbs.).**—

Calendar Years—	1919.	1918.
Total income	\$10,533,737	\$14,446,704
Expenditures	8,951,036	8,727,534
Net income	\$1,582,701	\$5,719,170
Interest net	207,850	117,223
Total	\$1,790,551	\$5,836,393
Depreciation	295,695	573,973
Dividends	1,867,785	3,362,013
Balance, surplus	def. \$372,929	\$1,900,407

1920—April—1919.	Increase.	1920—4 Mos.—1919.	Increase.
4,924,420	4,489,748	434,672	18,476,722
			18,776,701
			299,979

—V. 110, p. 1531, 974.

**Midvale Steel & Ordinance Co.—Quarterly Report.**—

Quar. end. March 31—	1920.	1919.	1918.	1917.
*Net earnings	\$3,669,685	\$4,701,534	\$9,775,044	\$9,670,711
Interest	776,753	792,722	793,383	814,456
Deprec. & depletion	1,375,935	1,158,615	1,181,320	1,800,564
Net profits	\$1,516,997	\$2,750,197	\$7,800,341	\$7,055,991

\* After provisions for all taxes.  
Note.—Subject to revision to meet any changes in interpretation of Federal tax laws, regulations and rulings.—V. 110, p. 1179.

**Midwest Refining Co.—Annual Report.**—  
Carl H. Pforzheimer & Co., in circular of May 1, say that the company furnishes no income account but a comparison of the balance sheets indicates the following:

	1919.	1918.
Indicated net earnings [for other net gain—Ed.]	\$20,095,809	\$16,051,944
Less—Res. for deprec. and depletion	5,127,144	2,789,921
Reserve for taxes	4,518,887	5,707,595
Dividends	3,387,911	2,044,668
Balance, surplus	\$7,061,867	\$5,509,760

—V. 110, p. 1531.

**Milwaukee & Chicago Breweries.—Liquidating Dividend**  
Illinois Trust & Savings Bank, Chicago, has sent holders of trust receipts notification that the assets of the company have been sold and the company is to be liquidated. The first liquidating dividend will be \$3.79 1/2 per pound, standing on the stock. The company's capitalization is \$852,500, \$183,458 of which is held by residents of the United States.—V. 109, p. 277.

**Monomac Spinning Co., Boston.—Stock Dividend, &c.**  
The stockholders on April 21 voted to increase the capital stock from \$1,200,000 to \$5,000,000. Of the increase it was voted to issue \$1,200,000 to stockholders of record April 21 1920 as a 100% stock dividend in the proportion of one new share for each share held. Certificates representing new shares were issued as of and dated April 21 1920 and shall participate in dividends declared thereafter.

The stockholders also voted to offer for cash at par the 26,000 additional shares (par \$100) to stockholders of record April 21 1920 in the proportion of 1-1-2 of a share held as it shall stand after the issue of the stock dividend aforesaid. No subscription shall be permitted for a fractional part of a share but rights aggregating full shares shall entitle the holder to subscribe for full shares. Subscriptions are payable at office of Treasurer, in installments as follows: 25% on or before May 15 1920, 25% on or before July 15 1920, 25% on or before Oct. 15 1920 and 25% on or before Jan. 15 1921. Interest at the rate of 6% per annum shall be allowed subscribers on all installments (except the last) from the date of receipt to Jan. 15 1921 and subscribers may anticipate payment of any installment and receive interest at the rate aforesaid for the time anticipated. All subscriptions and assignments of rights shall be filed with the Treasurer and the first installment paid on or before May 15 1920, and all shares not then subscribed for and all shares subscribed for but for which any installment shall not be paid as required, shall be sold for cash at not less than par, as the directors shall prescribe. Certificates for new shares shall be issued as of and dated Jan. 15 1921 and the new shares shall participate in dividends declared after that date.—V. 110, p. 1753, 82.

**(Montgomery) Ward & Co.—April Sales.**—  
The sales for April, it is stated, amounted to \$9,112,000, an increase of 22.2% for the month. For the four months ending April 30 sales aggregated \$41,172,000, a gain for the period of 38.2%.—V. 110, p. 1855, 1531.

**Motor Wheel Corp., Lansing, Mich.—Balance Sheet.**—  
An item of "standing timber, \$57,109," should be included in the assets side of the balance sheet given in V. 110, p. 1192.



**National Conduit & Cable Co.—Quarterly Report.—**  
*Quarters ending March 31—*

	1920.	1919.	1918.
Net sales	\$3,638,354	\$3,084,469	\$2,485,846
Manufacturing costs and expenses	3,520,703	3,167,151	2,612,685
Other income	Cr. 14,592	Cr. 23,071	Cr. 13,580
Taxes, charges and depreciation	146,066	160,083	179,154
Deficit for period	\$13,823	\$219,694	\$292,413

—V. 110, p. 975.

**New Cornelia Copper Co.—Copper Output (Pounds).—**

	1920—April—1919.	Increase.	1920—4 Mos.—1919.	Increase.
3,560,000	2,674,000	886,000	13,948,000	12,298,000
				1,650,000

—V. 110, p. 1753, 1648.

**New England Mfg. Co., Boston.—\$120 Cash Dividend.—**  
 A cash dividend of \$120 per share was declared payable on the outstanding \$250,000 Capital stock May 3, to holders of record May 1. Of the outstanding 2,500 shares, par value \$100, the Massachusetts Gas Cos. own 47 1/2 or 1,187 1/2 shares.

**New Jersey Zinc Co.—Quarterly Report.—**  
*Quarters end. Mar. 31—*

	1920.	1919.	1918.	1917.
Total income	\$3,173,127	\$2,855,427	\$5,338,796	\$6,735,444
Bond interest	40,000	40,000	40,000	40,000
Res. for retire't of bds.	75,000	75,000	75,000	75,000
Federal taxes	430,000	570,000	1,620,000	613,705
Dividends (4%)	1,400,000	1,400,000	1,400,000	4,200,000
Balance, surplus	\$1,228,127	\$770,427	\$2,203,796	\$1,806,739

—V. 110, p. 1855.

**New River Company.—Back Dividends.—**  
 Two dividends of \$1.50 per share have been declared on the Pref. stock, both payable May 26 to holders of record May 15. This payment will reduce accumulations to \$40 a share.—V. 110, p. 1532, 1193.

**New York Telephone Co.—New Director.—**  
 Secy. Waldron Hopkins has been elected a director succeeding F. H. Bethell.—V. 110, p. 1753, 1745.

**Niagara, Lockport & Ontario Power Co.—Bonds Auth.—**  
 The New York P. S. Commission has authorized the company to issue \$313,000 of its 6% 40-year bonds, series "A" and \$109,500 7% 3-year notes. Of the proceeds not less than \$391,200 are to be used for additions, extensions and improvements.—V. 109, p. 892.

**Nova Scotia Steel & Coal Co., Ltd.—Merger.—**  
 See British Empire Steel Corp. above.—V. 110, p. 1288.

**Overseas Securities Corp.—Organized.—**  
 See "Chronicle" of May 1, p. 1799.

**Pacific Development Corp.—Stock Increase.—**  
 The stockholders voted May 5 to increase the Capital stock from \$10,000,000 to \$25,000,000.—V. 110, p. 1754.

**Paige-Detroit Motor Car Co.—33 1-3% Stock Dividend.—**  
 A stock dividend of 33 1-3% has been declared on the \$1,500,000 outstanding Common stock (par \$10), payable to holders of record May 10. After the distribution has been paid, there will be outstanding \$2,000,000 Common stock. The directors also declared a cash dividend of 3% on the Common shares, payable May 10 to holders of record April 30.—V. 110, p. 83.

**Penn Mex Fuel Co., Pittsburgh, Pa.—**  
**PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT FOR CALENDAR YEAR 1919.**

Gross income year 1919	\$4,346,248
Operating expenses and taxes	2,291,223
Depletion and depreciation	948,852
Net income	\$1,106,172

**BALANCE SHEET DEC. 31 1919.**

Property account	\$12,988,162	Capital stock	\$10,000,000
Cash & accts. receivable	1,249,978	Accounts payable	313,438
Mat., mchdse & oil in tks.	844,020	Def. items due sub. cos.	5,000
Liberty bonds	32,250	Res. for inc. taxes	290,502
Stk. owned & adv to sub. cos.	41,207	Res. for fire losses	30,991
		Res. for depl. & deprec.	2,332,822
		Surplus & undiv. prof.	2,182,863
Total	\$15,155,617	Total	\$15,155,617

—V. 110, p. 1856.

**Pennsylvania Coal & Coke Co.—Earnings.—**  
*Calendar Years—*

	1919.	1918.	1917.
Net tons produced	2,600,879	3,412,558	3,288,440
Gross sales	\$7,560,297	\$10,539,659	\$8,811,111
Net earnings	\$696,229	\$2,003,463	\$2,182,354
Other income	156,044	120,758	91,616
Gross income	\$852,273	\$2,123,641	\$2,273,968
Deductions	206,767	539,864	1,035,117
Dividends	(8%)493,560	(10)647,799	(4)246,781
Balance, surplus	*\$151,948	*\$935,878	*\$992,070

\* Subject to change account Federal taxes, estimated at \$645,506 for 1919, \$839,770 for 1918 and \$445,196 for 1917.—V. 109, p. 1365.

**Phelps-Dodge Corp.—Production of Blister Copper (lbs.).—**  
*1920—April—1919.*

	1920—April—1919.	Decrease.	1920—4 Mos.—1919.	Decrease.
7,798,000	8,262,176	464,176	31,276,500	37,659,909
				6,383,409

—V. 110, p. 1754, 1532, 1522.

**Pierce Oil Corporation.—Earnings.—**  
*Calendar Years—*

	1919.	1918.
Gross profits	\$10,263,464	\$10,102,841
General and administrative expenses, &c.	5,455,019	4,637,699
Net profit	\$4,808,445	\$5,465,142
Other income	552,318	609,683
Total income	\$5,360,763	\$6,074,825
Income charges	583,181	621,539
Profit and loss charges	2,025,698	2,558,798
Preferred dividends	600,000	
Balance, surplus	\$2,151,884	\$2,894,488

—V. 109, p. 1648.

**Port Arthur Shipbuilding Co., Ltd.—Merger.—**  
 See British Empire Steel Corp. above.—V. 109, p. 1279.

**Porto Rican American Tobacco Co.—Dividend.—**  
 A dividend of 3% has been declared, payable June 3 to holders of record May 15, in 3-year 6% scrip. Dividends were also paid in stock and scrip from March 1918 to June 1919, both inclusive, but none until March 1920, owing to strike, which tied up the plant for several months.—V. 110, p. 1084, 975.

**(R. J.) Reynolds Tobacco Co.—200% Stock Dividend on Both Common and Class B Common Stock in Class B Non-Voting Common Stock.—To Reduce Par of Common from \$100 to \$25.—To List All Classes of Stock on N. Y. Stock Exchange.—**  
 President W. M. Reynolds in letter dated May 1, addressed to holders of Common and Class B Common stock, says: "The recent decision of the U. S. Supreme Court in the stock dividend case affords your company an opportunity to distribute a substantial stock dividend which the directors have for some time thought advisable. Furthermore, the directors favor the adoption of a par value of \$25 for Common shares in lieu of the present par of \$100, every outstanding Com-

mon share of each class with a \$100 par value to be made exchangeable for 4 shares with a par of \$25 each.

The present authorized and outstanding Capital stock is \$40,000,000, par \$100, of which \$10,000,000 is Common stock, \$10,000,000 is Class B Common stock, and \$20,000,000 is Preferred stock.

The directors are disposed to recommend to a special meeting of the stockholders, that the company's charter be amended so as to establish \$25 as the par value of the Common shares, and further so as to provide sufficient authorized Capital stock to enable the company (1) to issue to the holders of Class B Common stock in exchange for each of their present shares of [non-voting] Class B Common stock of \$100 par value 12 shares of New Class B Common stock without voting rights and in all other respects like the outstanding Class B Common stock except that the par value of each share thereof shall be \$25, and (2) at the same time to issue to the holders of the Common stock a like 200% stock dividend in stock identical with that to be issued to the holders of the Class B Common stock.

As another part of the proposed plan the directors expect to list the new \$25 shares of each class of Common stock and the \$100 shares of Preferred stock upon the New York Stock Exchange as soon as practicable after the plan is carried out.

Class B Common stock holders are requested to send their certificates, properly endorsed, to the Equitable Trust Co., 37 Wall St., New York, as promptly as possible and before May 20 1920, to be exchanged for temporary certificates for an equal number of shares. The temporary certificates to be issued in exchange for present certificates of Class B Common stock will be identical with the certificates surrendered except they will carry a provision under which, upon the completion of the proposed charter amendments and the declaration of the proposed stock dividend, the holders will upon notice from the company, receive for each share of the \$100 par Class B Common stock represented thereby, 12 shares of the \$25 par New Class B Common stock, if the proposed plan is carried out.—V. 110, p. 268.

**Root & Van Dervoort Engineering Co.—Pref. Stock.**

The present outstanding Preferred stock is now \$1,180,000, the additional \$180,000 being issued late in 1919 for the purchase of the R. & V. Wagner Ordnance plant adjoining the Engineering company's plant in Moline, Ill.—V. 109, p. 1993, 278.

**Sears, Roebuck & Co.—April Sales.—**

	1920—April—1919.	Increase.	1920—4 Mos.—1919.	Increase.
\$21,824,141	\$19,183,881	\$2,640,260	\$106,995,130	\$71,500,975
				\$35,494,155

—V. 110, p. 1754, 1532.

**Smith & Wesson Co., Springfield, Mass.—Obituary.—**  
 President Joseph H. Wesson died on April 30.—V. 107, p. 1485.

**Southern Pipe Line Co.—Dividend Decreased.—**

A quarterly dividend of \$4 per share has been declared on the stock, payable June 1 to holders of record May 17. Dividends at the rate of \$5 per share have been paid quarterly since September, 1918.—V. 110, p. 666.

**Spanish River Pulp & Paper Co.—Back Dividends.—**

The shareholders will vote June 23 on the proposal to refund the 42% arrears of Preferred dividends and the year's vouchers for one year on a portion of the issue in Preferred stock.

An official announcement states: "The directors feel justified in stating that the payment in cash of regular quarterly dividends on the Preference stock at the rate of 7% per annum, accruing from July 1 1920, will hereafter be made."—V. 110, p. 1857, 1420.

**Sparks, Withington Co.—Dividend.—**

A quarterly dividend of 50 cents per share has been declared on the outstanding 50,000 shares of Common stock (no par value) payable May 15 to holders of record May 5. Dividends at the rate of 6% p. a. were paid on the old Common stock, par \$100, which was recently exchanged for three shares of new for one of the old stock.—V. 110, p. 771.

**Standard Milling Co.—Capital Increase.—**

The stockholders voted May 3 to increase the authorized common stock from \$7,500,000 to \$15,000,000. The company has also outstanding \$6,488,000 6% non-cumulative preferred stock. Compare V. 110, p. 1649.

**Standard Oil Co. of California.—Extra Dividend.—**

An extra dividend of \$1 has been declared along with the regular quarterly dividend of \$2.50, both payable June 15 to holders of record May 15. A like amount was paid extra in March and December last.—V. 110, p. 1095, 1080, 976.

**Standard Oil Co. of Indiana.—Extra Dividend.—**

The directors have declared an extra dividend of 3%, along with the quarterly payment of 3% on the \$30,000,000 outstanding capital stock (par \$100), payable June 15 to holders of record May 17. An extra of 3% has been paid quarterly in addition to the regular dividend, since Feb. 1917.—V. 110, p. 1095, 473, 368.

**Standard Oil Co. of New Jersey.—Authorization of \$100,000,000 Additional 7% Cumulative Preferred Stock.—**

The stockholders voted May 5 to increase the Cumulative 7% Preferred stock from \$100,000,000 to \$200,000,000, of which \$98,338,300 is to be offered to Common stockholders of record May 14 at \$100 a share on the basis of one new Preferred share for each share of Common held. Subscription rights expire June 15. Compare V. 110, p. 1638, 1649, 1755.

**Stanley Works, New Britain, Conn.—Payment of 100% Stock Dividend—Rights to Subscribe to Common and Pref.**

Secretary E. W. Christ in a letter to the stockholders dated March 27 said in sub.: The stockholders and directors have voted:

1. To issue a common stock dividend of 100% to stockholders of record March 26 1920 and certificate for your proportion of same will be issued and sent you on or after April 3 1920.

2. To issue 60,000 shares of common stock and offer the same to stockholders of record March 26 in proportion to their holdings on that date. This right is based on the number of shares before the stock dividend and amounts to three new shares for every five old shares owned on March 26. Rights to subscribe [expired] May 1, and payment at par of the subscriptions in full is called to be made on or before June 1.

3. To issue 240,000 shares of Preferred stock and to offer the same to stockholders of record March 26 in proportion to their holdings on said date. This right also relates to the old number of shares before the stock div., and the right is to subscribe for 2.4 preferred shares for each old share.

The object of the preferred issue is to use such number of the preferred shares as are not taken by the Stanley Works stockholders for payment at par on purchase of the manufacturing business of the Stanley Rule & Level Co. (V. 110, p. 1296). [Subscriptions for preferred shares expired April 12 when payment in full was required.]—V. 110, p. 1857, 1420.

**Stern Bros. (Dry Goods), N. Y.—Back Dividends.—**

Two dividends of 1 1/4% each have been declared on the Pref. stock, 1 1/4% of which is applicable on account of accumulated dividends, both payable June 1 to holders of record May 20.—V. 110, p. 1095.

**Stewart-Warner Speedometer Corp.—Capital Increase.**

Company has increased its Common stock by 200,000 new shares, no par value, of which 60,000 will be exchanged for Stewart Manufacturing Corp. Common, no par value, share for share. The remainder is to be kept in the treasury for later issue as directors may determine. A special meeting of the stockholders will be held in Richmond June 4 to approve of the new issue of Common stock.—V. 110, p. 1095.

**Studebaker Corp., South Bend, Ind.—Reasons for Declaring Recent 33 1-3% Stock Dividend.—**

President A. R. Erskine has issued a statement to holders of the Common stock saying in sub.:

As shown by our report for 1919 (V. 110, p. 1180) the corporation has an authorized Common capital stock of \$75,000,000, of which \$45,000,000 was outstanding and \$30,000,000 unissued. The Common capitalization was increased Nov. 24 1919 (V. 109, p. 2077) for reasons explained in my letter to the stockholders dated Oct. 29 1919 (V. 109, p. 1800).

Our business so far this year has been splendid, and promises continuous growth and broader development than ever before. The completed portion of the new automobile plant at South Bend is about to begin produc-



tion of the new Light Six car, which we believe is the finest light weight automobile ever produced. The Detroit plants are operating in good form. Our farm wagon business is the heaviest on record, and commercial prospects are generally satisfactory in export and domestic markets. Financially, the corporation is in strong condition, and all bills paid for construction and inventories, and surplus cash assets on hand.

Considering all of these favorable circumstances, and the fact that the common stockholders had for some years stood by uncompromisingly while large surplus earnings were utilized to finance growth, the directors at their meeting on April 6 determined that the time had come to reward the common stockholders for their patience. Whether to do this by an extra cash dividend, an increase in the regular cash dividend, or the distribution of a stock dividend, was the question.

The latter plan was adopted under unanimous vote (see V. 110, p. 1532) because it held the double advantage of permitting a greater percentage of distribution to the common stockholders and better protecting the cash assets of the corporation. Accordingly, the common stock outstanding was increased by vote from \$45,000,000 to \$60,000,000, and the amount of the increase, viz., \$15,000,000 distributed among the common stockholders on May 5. Fractional scrip certificates when presented in amounts equal to full shares, will be convertible into certificates of stock at the Lawyers Title & Trust Co., 160 Broadway, N. Y. City.

[As to change in record dates for stock participating in future quarterly dividends see V. 110, p. 1857, 1532.

**Stutz Motor Car Co. of America, Inc.—Capital Inc.—**

The stockholders voted May 5 to increase the capital stock from 120,000 shares, no par value, to 200,000 shares, no par value. The amount of capital with which the corporation will carry on business is increased from \$600,000 to \$1,000,000. The 80,000 shares of new stock are to be paid out in stock dividends.

The present plan provides for distribution of the 80,000 shares in four installments of 20,000 shares each to stockholders of record June 15 1920, Sept. 15 1920, Dec. 15 1920 and March 15 1921 (V. 110, p. 1420), but authorization has been given directors, however, to distribute the 80,000 shares for stock dividend in such different installments and on such earlier dates as they may, in their discretion, determine.

It is understood this action was taken in order that the 80,000 shares could be distributed during current year if earnings warranted it, instead of stretching it over into 1921.—V. 110, p. 1649, 1420.

**Texas Pacific Coal & Oil Co.—Earnings.—**

First annual report for calendar year 1919 shows:  
Gross earnings, \$20,112,266; oper. exp., \$4,532,945; oper. profit...\$15,579,321  
Other income..... 6,742,371

Gross income.....	\$22,321,692
Deduct—Depreciation, depletion, oil & gas development & Federal taxes.....	16,913,811
Dividends paid.....	1,399,818
Surplus for year.....	\$4,008,793

—V. 110, p. 1755.

**Thatcher Manufacturing Co.—Bonds Offered.—**Bonbright & Co., and Hemphill, Noyes & Co., New York, are offering at 95 and int. to yield about 7 3/4 %, by advertisement on another page, \$2,000,000 Ten-Year 7% Convertible Sinking Fund Mgt. Gold bonds, dated April 1 1920.

**Further Data From Letter of Pres. F. E. Baldwin, Elmira, April 23.**  
*Sinking Fund.*—An Annual Sinking Fund will be provided for the retirement of the bonds at not exceeding 105 and int. and will retire over half of this issue by maturity. For the purpose of this fund, \$50,000 will be payable during the first year, \$100,000 for each of the five years thereafter, and \$150,000 per annum thereafter until maturity less the principal amount of any bonds converted during the year.

**Balance Sheet Dec. 31 1919. After Giving Effect to Present Financing and Including Estimated Reserves for Federal Taxes.**

<b>Assets</b>		<b>Liabilities</b>	
Real estate, plants, &c.....	\$3,162,120	Preferred stock.....	\$250,000
Licenses, formulae & contracts.....	1,340,351	Com. stock (80,000 sh., no par).....	3,586,778
Investments in other cos.....	632,105	10-Yr. 7% Convertible bonds.....	2,000,000
Cash.....	354,580	6% Mortgage bonds.....	149,500
Accounts receivable less res.....	424,970	Notes and accounts payable.....	453,644
Inventories.....	541,168	Accruals and reserves.....	317,515
Liberty bonds.....	280,350		
Deferred.....	51,793	Total (each side).....	\$6,787,437

For further details see V. 110, p. 1857.

**Times Square Auto Supply Co.—Capital Increase.—**

A certificate was filed May 4 under the New York law increasing the authorized capital stock from 80,000 shares Common (no par value) and 20,000 shares Preferred (par \$100) to 300,000 shares Common and 20,000 shares Preferred. The active capital was increased from \$2,400,000 to \$3,500,000.—V. 110, p. 1650, 1533.

**Timken-Detroit Axel Co., Mich.—Extra Dividend.—**

An extra dividend of 2%, together with a quarterly dividend of 4% has been declared on the stock, both payable May 15 to holders of record May 10.—V. 110, p. 1857, 269.

**Tobacco Products Corp.—Dividend Certificates.—**

Series "A" dividend certificates issued May 15 1918 and due May 15 1920 will, it is announced, be paid with the last installment of interest thereon upon presentation at the Bankers Trust Co., 16 Wall St., N. Y., on or after May 15 1920.—V. 110, p. 967, 877.

**Trenton Potteries Co.—Annual Report—Earnings, &c.—**

The year was a most unusual one, the first four months being conducted at a loss, with orders and shipments the smallest in the history of the company. Our expectations of a revival of business, however, were more than justified. In June orders began to materialize and all during the balance of the year were largely in excess of shipments each month.

The result for the year is gratifying. The loss for the first six months has been turned into a profit for the year of \$254,765. Our quick assets total \$1,237,622, against liabilities, in the shape of current accounts of \$74,036. We have set aside reserve for income and corporation taxes due in 1920, \$35,070. Our reserve for depreciation increased \$21,500, and now stands at \$73,011. Reserve for discounts and bad debts, \$30,851. This leaves a surplus account of \$596,507, an increase of \$128,501 for the year. Our holdings of Liberty bonds total \$95,902, and certificates of indebtedness \$85,000.

At this writing our ware continues to be in good demand. We are unable to fill our orders with any degree of promptness. After two advances in wages this year our men are responding and showing a disposition on the part of skilled labor to give us somewhere near our productive capacity. We are having difficulties, however, in securing soft coal and supplies.

**BALANCE SHEET DEC. 31 1919.**

<b>Assets</b>		<b>Liabilities</b>	
Real est., bldgs., mach., fixt., pat. & moulds.....	\$2,543,949	Common stock.....	\$1,750,000
Cash.....	201,762	Prof. 8% stock.....	1,250,000
Inventory.....	585,775	Sundry creditors.....	74,036
Accts. collectible.....	275,315	Taxes.....	35,070
Liberty bonds & certif.....	180,902	Res. for deprec.....	73,011
Stock in other cos.....	12,486	For disc. consign. & bad debts.....	30,851
Unexpired ins.....	9,286	Surplus.....	596,507
Total.....	\$3,809,475	Total.....	\$3,809,475

\* At last advices \$1,179,400 8% non cumulative and \$70,600 8% cumulative Prof.—Ed.—V. 110, p. 368.

**Trumbull Steel Co., Warren, O.—To Increase Common Stock and Declare Stock Dividend—Earnings, &c.—**

The stockholders will vote May 18 on (1) increasing the authorized common from \$14,000,000 to \$25,000,000 (2) on increasing the directors from five to seven, (3) on setting aside \$2,000,000 of the common stock for subscription by the employees in such amounts, upon such terms, &c., as the directors may determine.

**Digest of Circular Signed by Pres. J. Warner, Warren, O., April 15.**

The special meeting to consider increasing the capital stock is called primarily because the directors are of the opinion that some distribution of the surplus should be made in the form of a stock dividend to the common stockholders. It should be understood that the surplus of a company is largely in plant extensions, inventories, &c. For this reason no substantial distribution of the surplus of a going concern can ordinarily be made except through the medium of a common stock dividend.

The directors also recommend that the board be increased and that two additional members be elected. If this is done it will enable us to put upon the board men largely interested in the stock of your Company who will, in the opinion of the board, be of great assistance in the successful conduct of its business.

Furthermore, the directors recommend that after this proposed stock dividend has been declared, the stockholders authorize the board to offer and sell to the employees \$2,000,000 of the Common stock in such amounts, at such times and on such terms, at not less than par, as the directors may deem advisable. This policy is being adopted very widely by the most substantial companies in all lines of industry and has become an established practice well beyond the experimental stage. In my opinion your company will be in a much stronger position if a large proportion of its employees have a direct financial interest in its prosperity and growth.

As explanatory of the amount of the increase of common stock which is recommended, I may say that it has always been the company's policy to keep a substantial amount of unissued stock in the treasury so that such stock may be quickly available for whatever use is required of it. Therefore, the directors recommend a stock increase of sufficient proportions not only to take care of the matters already mentioned but also to enable the company to continue this policy. Such action is now especially desirable because your company has become so large and has so many stockholders scattered over the entire country, that the necessary legal procedure and work incident to an increase of its stock entails considerable delay, which we desire to avoid.

**Earnings, &c.—The "Iron Age" of Feb. 12 reported:**

The annual statement read Feb. 3 at the annual meeting by President Jonathan Warner, indicates for 1919: Gross sales of \$24,569,841 compared with \$27,000,000 in 1918. Net earnings of \$2,388,258 compare with \$3,126,453 the year before. During 1919 the company earned \$192,392 from its Liberty plant near Leavittsburg, Trumbull Co., which was acquired July 1 from the Liberty Steel Co. The statement of earnings is net after deducting taxes, dividends and other charges. [In 1919 the company paid 11 1/2 % on its common stock and 7 % on preferred. To April 1 1920 paid 5 % on the common stock.—Ed.]

The surplus fund of \$9,000,000 Dec. 31 last compares with a surplus of \$6,532,924 Dec. 31 1918.

The company now employs 6,000 men and its payroll in 1919 was \$8,000,000, \$1,000,000 higher than the year before.

Production in 1919 was 198,500 tons and about 200,000 tons were shipped, surplus stocks being drawn upon. In January, 1920, the company's ingot production was broken, the seven furnaces producing 34,000 tons, or at the annual rate of 408,000 tons, double the 1919 output.

The Trumbull company now has under construction at its Trumbull plant in Warren 9-in. and 12-in. Morgan continuous hot-rolled strip steel mills and is doubling the capacity of its cold-rolled strip steel department. With the additions, the strip steel department will have an annual capacity of 150,000 tons.

The company's plants comprise seven 100-ton open-hearth furnaces, blooming mill, 18 and 21-in. Morgan continuous bar mills, 44 sheet, tin and jobbing mills, including 29 tin mills, 13 sheet mills and two jobbing mills, with complete galvanizing and tinning departments; a 16-in. continuous hot-rolled strip steel mill and a cold strip-steel department.

Total yearly capacity of the plants is 300,000 tons of finished product. Plant valuation is fixed at \$18,500,000.

The company owns 700 acres of coal lands near Brownsville, Pa., where its gas coal is produced and its requirements fully met. It also owns a one-fourth interest in 17,000,000 tons of Lake Superior basic ore. Plans have not yet matured for blast furnace construction, the next step in the company's development.

The authorized capital stock is \$24,000,000, of which \$14,000,000 is common and \$10,000,000 pref., \$20,000,000 being issued in equal amounts of common and preferred. Compare official statement in V. 108, p. 2131.—V. 110, p. 1650, 568.

**Union Bag & Paper Co.—Capital Increase—Stock Div.—**

The stockholders voted May 4 to increase the capital stock from \$10,000,000 to \$20,000,000. Of the new stock \$5,000,000 is to be distribute as a 50 % stock dividend on May 20 to holders of record May 10. Compar V. 110, p. 1755, 1650.

**United Gas Improvement Co.—Creates \$15,000,000 7% Cum. Pref. Stock of which \$6,103,000 is Offered to Stockholders for Subscription at par, \$50.**

The stockholders voted May 3 1920 to increase the capital stock by 300,000 shares, par \$50 each, all of said increase being 7% Cumulative Preferred stock. The common stock remains the same, viz., 1,211,456 shares par \$50. Secretary C. W. Curran in letter to the stockholders dated Phila. May 3, says in subst.:

The stockholders of record May 7 will be given the right to subscribe between May 17 and June 15 1920 for 122,060 shares of said Preferred stock at par (\$50) per share to the extent of 10% of their holdings. Subscription warrants and fractional warrants shall be issued to the stockholders specifying the amount of Preferred stock for which each is entitled to subscribe on or about May 17 1920.

Subscriptions for full shares may be made payable as follows (1) In full between May 17 and 3 p. m. June 1 1920, in which event stock will be issued in exchange for such full paid subscription warrants as of June 1 1920, and dividends thereon will accrue from that date; interest will be paid at the rate of 6% per annum on such full paid subscription warrants from the date of payment thereof to June 1 1920; or (2) In two installments payable (a) \$25 per share on or before 3 p. m. June 15 1920; (b) \$25 per share on or before 3 p. m. Sept. 1 1920; interest will be paid at the rate of 6% per annum on installments from the date of payment thereof to Aug. 31 1920, inclusive, after which date no interest will accrue thereon; and upon payment of the final installment on or before Sept. 1 1920 and surrender of the subscription warrant, stock will be issued as of Sept. 1 1920, and dividends thereon will accrue from that date.

Fractional warrants aggregating one share or more when presented at office of the treasurer on or before 3 p. m., June 15 1920 will entitle the holder to receive in exchange a subscription warrant for the right to subscribe for the number of full shares of Preferred stock represented by the fractional warrants so surrendered. No subscription for a fraction of a share will be received and all fractional warrants will be void after June 15 1920. Compare annual report in V. 110, p. 1638, 1650.

**United States Steel Corp.—Supreme Court Denies Government's Request for Rehearing in Anti-Trust Suit.—**

The U. S. Supreme Court on May 3 refused to grant the Government's request for a rehearing of the anti-trust suit.—V. 110, p. 1858, 1846.

**United Verde Extension Mining Co.—Status.—**

A circular issued to the stockholders dated May 1 shows: Cash on hand as of April 1 1920, \$930,014; Liberty bonds, \$3,364,400; bills payable, \$500,000; copper on hand on April 1 1920, 23,857,634 lbs.—V. 110, p. 1650, 1096.

**Whitaker-Glessner Co.—400% Stock Dividend.—**

The company has announced a dividend of 400% payable in Common stock, thus increasing the outstanding Common stock from \$3,869,700 to \$19,348,500. The company intends to make large extensions to its plants at Wheeling and Martin's Ferry, W. Va., and at Portsmouth.—V. 110, p. 1533, 1328.

For other Investment News, see page 1983.



## Reports and Documents.

### THE ATCHISON TOPEKA & SANTA FE RAILWAY COMPANY

TWENTY-FIFTH ANNUAL REPORT—FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31 1919.

Office of the Atchison Topeka & Santa Fe Railway System,  
No. 5 Nassau Street, New York City.

April 6 1920.

To the Stockholders:

Your Directors submit the following report for the fiscal year January 1 1919 to December 31 1919, inclusive.

The Lines comprising the Atchison System which have been operated throughout the year by the United States Railroad Administration are as follows:

	Dec. 31 1919.	Dec. 31 1918.
Atchison Topeka & Santa Fe Railway	8,661.99 miles	8,624.67 miles
Gulf Colorado & Santa Fe Railway	1,907.64 "	1,917.95 "
Panhandle & Santa Fe Railway	767.67 "	767.63 "
Grand Canyon Railway	64.09 "	64.09 "
Kansas Southwestern Railway	61.51 "	61.51 "
Rio Grande El Paso & Santa Fe Railroad	20.22 "	20.22 "
	<u>11,483.12</u>	<u>11,456.07</u>

Increase during the year 27.05 miles.

In addition to lines covered by this report there were completed on December 31 1919 85.09 miles of additional line, which will be ready for operation in the near future.

The Company is also interested, jointly with other companies through ownership of stocks and bonds, in other lines aggregating 556.92 miles.

For detailed statement of present mileage and for changes in mileage during the year see pages 29 to 33 [pamphlet report].

#### INCOME STATEMENT.

The following is a summary of the transactions of the System for the years ending December 31 1918 and 1919:

	1918.	1919.
Compensation under Federal Control Contract—Accrued	\$42,885,310 80	\$44,615,087 26
Other Income	4,310,951 70	15,100,115 96
Gross Corporate Income	\$47,196,262 50	\$59,715,203 22
Taxes	3,095,398 38	3,405,574 03
Rentals and Other Charges (exclusive of Equipment and Joint Facility Rents)	4,056,239 44	1,556,712 22
Interest on Bonds, including accrued interest on Adjustment Bonds	\$40,044,624 68	\$54,752,916 97
Net Corporate Income (representing amount available for dividends and surplus)	\$28,348,432 89	\$43,098,657 77
From the net corporate income for the year the following sums have been deducted:		
Dividends on Preferred Stock—		
No. 42 (2½%) paid Aug. 1 1919	\$3,104,342 50	
No. 43 (2½%) paid Feb. 2 1920	3,104,342 50	
	\$6,208,685 00	
Dividends on Common Stock—		
No. 56 (1½%) paid June 2 1919	\$3,327,142 50	
No. 57 (1½%) paid Sept. 2 1919	3,338,797 50	
No. 58 (1½%) paid Dec. 1 1919	3,342,622 50	
No. 59 (1½%) paid Mar. 1 1920	3,343,132 50	
	13,351,695 00	
Appropriation for Fuel Reserve Fund	70,260 81	
California-Arizona Lines Bonds Sinking Fund	15,843 97	
S. F. & S. J. V. Railway Bonds Sinking Fund	13,354 00	
	19,659,838 78	
Surplus carried to Profit and Loss		\$23,438,818 99
Surplus to credit of Profit and Loss December 31 1918.	\$41,797,635 19	
Sundry Adjustments	194,808 10	
	\$41,992,443 29	
Surplus appropriated for Investment in Physical Property	64,572 45	
	41,927,870 84	
Surplus to credit of Profit and Loss December 31 1919		\$65,366,689 83

Income from sources other than compensation under Federal control contract consists of interest on cash in banks and sums collected as interest and dividends upon bonds and stocks of companies the transactions of which are not included in the System accounts, also lap-over revenues and expenses and adjustments thereof. The income account in this respect does not reflect a normal year's showing but constitutes a record of income credits, applying in part to prior years, received or determined during the year.

During the year the sum of \$750,000 in cash was received as the net proceeds of sale of land embraced in the Santa Fe Pacific Land Grant, but this was directly written off the book value of Railroads, Franchises and Other Property and the transaction does not appear in the Income Account.

#### CAPITAL EXPENDITURES AND REDUCTION OF BOOK VALUES.

The total charges to Capital Account as shown by the General Balance Sheet, page 20 [pamphlet report], at December 31 1919 aggregated \$804,903,069 71, as compared with \$782,829,303 18 at December 31 1918, an increase during the year of \$22,073,766 53, which analyzes as follows:

Construction and acquisition of new mileage, including the acquisition of bonds and stocks of other railway and terminal companies:

Barton County & Santa Fe Ry	\$134,252 42
Minkler Southern Railway	306,866 60
Northwestern Pacific RR	1,779,406 56
North Texas & Santa Fe Ry	798,423 99
Oklahoma Central RR	12,424 72
Osage County & Santa Fe Ry	177,024 94
South Plains & Santa Fe Ry	4,699 88
Tulsa & Santa Fe Ry	206,952 86
Verde Valley Railway	213,000 00
	<u>\$3,279,003 09</u>

Additions and Betterments—System Lines:

Fixed Property	\$7,277,116 56
Equipment	13,707,918 58
Betterments to Equipment	878,623 60
	<u>21,863,658 74</u>

Fuel Lands and Other Properties:

Healdton Pipe Line Co.	\$372,800 00
Ice Plant, Belen	6,418 31
Real Estate held for future use	10,550 81
Tie and Timber Lands	19,382 71
Santa Barbara Tie and Pole Co.	500 13
Miscellaneous Items	110,048 64
	<u>299,603 32</u>

Other Investments, including Sinking Fund

2,253,981 32

Total Charges carried forward

\$23,188,283 83

Reduction of Book Values:

Cherokee & Pittsburg Coal and Mining Co.	\$260,781 65
Garden City Gulf & Northern RR	5,254 70
Santa Fe Pacific Land Sales	750,000 00
Ice Plant, San Bernardino	24,901 49
Ice and Power Plant, Winslow	29,832 11
Santa Fe Tie & Lumber Preserving Plant	43,747 35
	<u>1,114,517 30</u>

Net Increase in Capital Account during the year

\$22,073,766 53

Credits in bold-faced type.

For details of Additions and Betterments by accounts see statement on page 25 [pamphlet report].

The item of \$13,707,918 58 for "Equipment" analyzes as follows:

93 Locomotives	\$7,208,164 12
2,452 Freight-Train Cars	7,151,934 84
76 Miscellaneous Work Cars	55,322 07
12 Miscellaneous Equipment	23,560 15
	<u>\$14,438,981 18</u>

Less—Value of Equipment retired during the year as follows:

20 Locomotives	\$96,801 27
818 Freight-Train Cars	510,788 40
6 Passenger-Train Cars	30,667 01
194 Miscellaneous Work Cars	43,848 84
1 Automobile	500 00
Miscellaneous Adjustments	48,457 08
	<u>731,062 60</u>

\$13,707,918 58

The 818 freight-train cars reported as retired and the 76 miscellaneous work cars added, include 69 cars, which being permanently assigned to work service, were relettered in work service equipment series during the year and transferred from freight equipment to work service equipment at their depreciated value at time of relettering.

#### CAPITAL STOCK AND FUNDED DEBT.

The outstanding Capital Stock (deducting stock in treasury) on December 31 1918 consisted of:

Common	\$221,785,500 00
Preferred	124,173,700 00
	<u>\$345,959,200 00</u>

Issued during the year:

Common Stock issued in exchange for Convertible Bonds retired

1,088,000 00

Capital Stock outstanding December 31 1919:

Common	\$222,873,500 00
Preferred	124,173,700 00
	<u>\$347,047,200 00</u>

The number of holders of the Company's capital stock on December 31 1919, and the changes in number for the year were as follows:

	Number of Stockholders.	Increase for the Year.
Common	31,281	389
Preferred	19,643	894

The outstanding Funded Debt of the System (deducting bonds in treasury) amounted, on December 31 1918, to \$286,639,989 20

The following changes in the Funded Debt occurred during the year:

Obligations Retired:	
Convertible 4% Bonds	\$1,088,000 00
Obligations Issued:	
California-Arizona Lines First and Refunding Mortgage 4½% Bonds	1,468 50
Decrease of Funded Debt	<u>1,086,531 50</u>
Total System Funded Debt outstanding Dec. 31 1919	<u>\$285,553,457 70</u>

Interest charges for year ending December 31 1920 will be approximately \$11,628,000, or an average monthly charge of about \$969,000.

#### TREASURY.

Neither this Company nor any of its auxiliaries has any notes or bills outstanding.

The Company held in its treasury on December 31 1919, \$4,532,650 01 cash, of which amount \$1,820,034 49 was held as banker for its affiliated companies. In addition, the

Company and its affiliated railway companies own \$19,013,200 00 of Liberty Loan Bonds and Victory Loan Notes and \$1,499,589 70 of short-term notes, which are carried in the general balance sheet in "Other Investments" and "Current Assets," respectively.

**FUEL RESERVE FUND.**

The fund has been increased during the year by appropriations of income, as follows:

Amount to credit of Fund December 31 1918.....	\$2,033,684 25
Added during the year.....	70,260 81
<b>In Fund December 31 1919.....</b>	<b>\$2,103,945 06</b>

**CONSTRUCTION OF NEW LINES.**

Although somewhat retarded by the scarcity of labor, definite progress has been made during the year toward the completion and placing in service of all but one of the new lines shown as uncompleted in the last Annual Report. The present status of these lines is briefly outlined in the following:

**BARTON COUNTY & SANTA FE RAILWAY.**

This line, extending from Holyrood to Galatia, Kansas, a distance of 31.20 miles, was placed in operation July 1 1919.

**MINKLER SOUTHERN RAILWAY.**

With the consent of the Railroad Administration, work on the extension of this line from Porterville to Ducor, California, a distance of 12.48 miles, was actively resumed about the middle of the year. Practically all the right-of-way has been secured, the grading and bridging is more than half completed and track laying is in progress. It is expected to have the line ready for operation about July 1 next.

**TULSA & SANTA FE RAILWAY.**

Since May 1912 your Company has been using the freight and passenger terminals of the St. Louis-San Francisco Railway Company at Tulsa, Oklahoma. Owing to the rapid growth of that city, these facilities became utterly inadequate for the proper handling of the traffic of both companies, and as there was no reasonable prospect of such terminals being suitably enlarged, an Oklahoma corporation, known as the Tulsa & Santa Fe Railway Company, was formed on December 12 1917, to provide independent freight and passenger terminals to be operated by your Company under lease. The freight facilities were substantially completed and placed in operation May 1 1919. Work on the passenger facilities was deferred at the request of the Railroad Administration, and negotiations are now pending to determine whether the use of the St. Louis-San Francisco Company's passenger facilities can not be continued on terms and conditions which will render the construction of independent passenger facilities unnecessary at this time.

**GOVERNMENT CONTROL.**

Federal control and operation of your properties ceased under the "Transportation Act 1920" and corporate operation was resumed midnight of February 29 1920, but the properties were not, at the end of Federal control, as it was agreed in the Compensation Contract they should be, in substantially as good condition and in substantially as complete equipment as when taken over by the President, pursuant to his Proclamation of December 26 1917. Adjustment and settlement of all matters relating to maintenance of your properties will be proceeded with as rapidly as consistent with the importance and difficulties of the questions involved.

Thus far no settlements of any character have been effected under the Compensation Contract of November 22 1918, but an understanding as to the form of statement of accounts subject to quarterly settlement has been reached. The status as of December 31 1919 of accounts subject to such settlement was as follows:

<b>Due from the United States Government:</b>	
Accrued Compensation—balance.....	\$53,169,398 06
Cash transferred December 31 1917.....	7,948,850 95
Agents' and Conductors' Balances December 31 1917.....	2,288,919 82
Assets December 31 1917 collected.....	12,399,216 95
Revenue prior to January 1 1918 collected.....	2,578,638 74
	<b>\$78,385,024 52</b>
<b>Due to the United States Government:</b>	
Liabilities December 31 1917 paid.....	\$25,499,314 17
Payments for Corporate Transactions.....	1,769,261 64
Expense prior to January 1 1918 paid.....	2,561,456 94
<b>Expended for:</b>	
Completed Additions and Betterments—Road.....	4,846,967 04
Completed Additions and Betterments—Equipment.....	19,317,778 19
Road Extensions.....	1,065,586 20
	<b>\$55,060,364 18</b>
<b>Balance due from the United States Government.....</b>	<b>\$23,324,660 34</b>

In the above statement the Government has been credited with \$34,931,000 paid during the year on account of compensation but is charged with the estimated amount of additional compensation on additions and betterments reported as completed at December 31 1919. It does not, however, include interest due the Company on unpaid quarterly balances, an estimate of which has been made and included in the income account of the year and is carried on the balance sheet as an unadjusted debit account.

Other accounts with the Government as of December 31 1919, but not subject to quarterly settlement, were as follows:

<b>Due to the United States Government:</b>	
Uncompleted Additions and Betterments and Road Extensions.....	\$12,996,725 82
<b>Due from the United States Government:</b>	
Accrued Depreciation—Equipment.....	\$10,994,254 55
Equipment Retired.....	625,050 33
Road Property Retired and Not Replaced.....	314,526 47
Accrued Depreciation—Miscellaneous Physical Property.....	80,441 85
	<b>\$12,014,273 20</b>
<b>Balance due to the United States Government.....</b>	<b>\$982,452 62</b>

In addition to the above the Government is charged with material and supplies on hand at December 31 1917 and certain subsequent additions thereto stated in the accounts at time of transfer at a value of \$23,977,558 08, for which material and supplies equal in quantity, quality and relative usefulness are to be returned at the end of Federal control, any differences in quantities to be accounted for at prices then prevailing. At December 31 1919 the Government was carrying a charge against the Company for expenditures for additions and betterments not approved by it and not reflected above amounting to \$278,054 40.

The retired property (road and equipment) and accrued depreciation accounts are as stated on the books of the United States Railroad Administration as of December 31 1919 and are subject to modification and adjustment to conform to a proper construction of the Compensation Contract. Minor adjustments may also be required in the accounts subject to quarterly settlement.

These various accounts are grouped in the general balance sheet, pages 20 and 21 [pamphlet report], as United States Government accounts under current and deferred assets, deferred liabilities and unadjusted debit and credit accounts,

**EXTENSION OF GUARANTY.**

The Transportation Act, 1920, which provided for the termination of Federal control, extended to railway companies under Federal control the privilege of an extension of Federal control guaranty for a period of six months ending August 31 1920. As a condition to receiving such guaranties, however, railway companies were required to execute and file with the Inter-State Commerce Commission, on or before March 15 1920, a written acceptance of all provisions of Sections 209 of said Act. The result of such acceptance was to agree to pay to the United States the excess of railway operating income for said six months over and above such guaranty.

After careful consideration, it was deemed advisable to accept the provisions of Section 209, and this was accordingly done.

**ALLOCATED EQUIPMENT.**

During the year there were finally allocated to the Company and accepted by it 2,700 steel-underframe 40-ton capacity box cars, constructed under contracts between the Director-General of Railroads and equipment manufacturers.

To finance the cost of this equipment the Company under date of January 15 1920 joined the Director-General in an equipment trust agreement with the Guaranty Trust Company of New York. The cost of these cars has not yet been definitely determined, but it will not exceed \$7,917,480. Under the agreement referred to the purchase price is payable in fifteen equal installments, payable on January 15 in each year commencing on January 15 1921 and ending on January 15 1935, with interest at 6% per annum from January 15 1920 until the date of payment, interest payable semi-annually on January 15 and July 15 in each year.

At December 31 1919 the Company had received 2,450 of the cars and liability for the estimated cost thereof, viz.: \$7,151,256 is carried in the general balance sheet as an unadjusted credit account.

**GENERAL.**

The United States Railroad Administration continued to conduct the operations of your railway property during the calendar year 1919. A summary of the results of such operations for the years 1918 and 1919 is as follows:

	1918.	1919.	Total.
Operating Revenues.....	\$187,658,222 95	\$209,500,003 77	\$397,158,226 72
Operating Expenses.....	135,793,050 49	156,026,127 11	291,819,186 53
<b>Net Operating Revenues.....</b>	<b>51,865,163 53</b>	<b>53,473,876 66</b>	<b>105,339,040 19</b>
Taxes, less War Taxes.....	7,812,629 78	9,137,463 24	16,950,093 02
Uncollectible Railway Revenues.....	27,605 68	42,242 71	69,848 39
<b>Railway Operating Income</b>	<b>44,024,928 07</b>	<b>44,294,170 71</b>	<b>88,319,098 78</b>
Equipment and Joint Facility Rents.....	<b>181,410 55</b>	<b>2,268,552 98</b>	<b>2,087,142 43</b>
<b>Railway Operating Income as defined in Federal Control Act.....</b>	<b>44,206,338 62</b>	<b>42,025,617 73</b>	<b>86,231,956 35</b>

Lapover revenues and expenses applying to the period prior to January 1 1918, adjusted by the Administration during Federal control, are included in the above, the net effect being a credit to "Railway Operating Income" of \$729,197 40, the prior revenues exceeding the prior expenses by that amount; however, the above figures do not include additional mail pay which accrued to the Administration during these two years under decision of the Inter-State Commerce Commission of December 23 1919 in the Railway Mail Pay case, estimated at \$3,191,000, which was taken into the Federal accounts for January 1920.

The income of the Administration derived from your property during the two years, including additional mail pay, was in excess of the sum of the agreed compensation for the same period and the interest rental accrued to December 31 1919 on additions and betterments reported as completed at that date.

W. B. STOREY, *President.*



THE ATCHISON TOPEKA & SANTA FE RAILWAY COMPANY—SYSTEM.

Comprising The Atchison Topeka & Santa Fe Railway Company, Gulf Colorado & Santa Fe Railway Company, Panhandle & Santa Fe Railway Company, Grand Canyon Railway Company, Kansas Southwestern Railway Company, and Rio Grande El Paso & Santa Fe Railroad Company.

DR.		INCOME ACCOUNT FOR TWELVE MONTHS ENDING DECEMBER 31 1919.		CR.	
Corporate Operating Expenses		\$816,695 90	Compensation under Federal Control Contract—Accrued	\$44,615,087 26	
Taxes		3,373,271 26	Income from Lease of Road	160,939 65	
Rent for Leased Roads		26,349 66	Miscellaneous Rent Income	252,479 22	
Miscellaneous Rents		132,263 43	Miscellaneous Non-Operating Physical Property	93,989 69	
Miscellaneous Tax Accruals		32,302 77	Dividend Income	7,214,058 00	
Interest on Funded Debt		11,654,259 20	Income from Funded Securities	1,313,084 90	
Miscellaneous Income Debits		625,126 68	Income from Unfunded Securities and Accounts	1,856,256 87	
Dividend No. 42 on Capital Stock, Preferred	\$3,104,342 50	155,276 55	Income from Sinking and Other Reserve Funds	73,159 56	
“ “ 43 “ “ “ “	3,104,342 50		Miscellaneous Income Credits	4,136,148 07	
“ “ 56 “ “ “ “ Common	\$3,327,142 50	6,208,685 00			
“ “ 57 “ “ “ “	3,338,797 50				
“ “ 58 “ “ “ “	3,342,622 50				
“ “ 59 “ “ “ “	3,343,132 50	13,351,695 00			
Appropriation for Fuel Reserve Fund		70,260 81			
California-Arizona Lines Bonds Sinking Fund		15,843 97			
The S. F. & S. J. V. Ry. Co. Bonds Sinking Fund		13,354 00			
Balance, being Surplus for 12 months ending December 31 1919 carried to Profit and Loss Account		<b>23,438,818 99</b>			
		\$59,715,203 22			\$59,715,203 22

DR.		PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT TO DECEMBER 31 1919.		CR.	
Surplus appropriated for investment in physical property		\$64,572 45	Balance brought forward from December 31 1918	\$41,797,635 19	
Balance carried to General Balance Sheet		<b>65,866,689 83</b>	Surplus for twelve months ending December 31 1919	23,438,818 99	
		\$65,431,262 28	Sundry Adjustments	194,808 10	
					\$65,431,262 28

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GENERAL BALANCE SHEET DECEMBER 31 1919.

Balances Dec. 31 1918.		ASSETS.		Balances Dec. 31 1919.	
\$710,071,807 79		Railroads, Franchises and Other Property, Including Stocks, Bonds, &c. (Exhibit A)		\$731,110,400 11	
22,916,443 02		Expenditures for Additions and Betterments, Construction and Other Capital Purposes During Current Fiscal Year (Exhibit B)		22,512,037 77	
\$732,988,250 81		Investments, New Acquisitions (Exhibit C)		\$753,622,437 88	
12,192,238 23		Sinking Fund		15,885,799 01	
5 53		Other Investments		819 06	
37,648,808 61				35,394,013 76	
\$782,829,303 18		Balance brought down		\$804,903,069 71	
\$150,230,113 98		Current Assets:		\$172,302,412 01	
\$42,885,310 80		U. S. Government—Accrued Compensation	\$53,169,398 06		
5,399,773 41		Cash	4,282,650 01		
200,000 00		Time Deposits	250,000 00		
251,664 61		Special Deposits	248,641 68		
1,512,680 10		Loans and Bills Receivable	1,499,589 70		
187,371 22		Traffic and Car Service Balances	17,365 74		
1,016,495 76		Miscellaneous Accounts Receivable	618,885 69		
197,192 36		Material and Supplies	119,989 00		
53,370 55		Interest and Dividends Receivable	34,449 04		
122 56		Other Current Assets	181 13		
51,703,981 37		Deferred Assets:		60,241,150 05	
\$34,941 13		Working Fund Advances	\$200 00		
2,033,684 25		Guaranty Trust Co. of New York:			
134,468 53		Cash Deposit for Fuel Reserve Fund	2,103,945 06		
		Other Deferred Assets	26,330 14		
2,203,093 91		U. S. Government—Deferred Assets		2,130,475 20	
46,540,596 65		Unadjusted Debits:		49,219,874 54	
		Rents and Insurance Premiums Paid in Advance	\$139,186 18		
\$1,350,405 28		Other Unadjusted Debits	1,431,505 10		
\$6,000,282 10		U. S. Government—Unadjusted Debits		1,570,691 28	
\$258,028,473 29				11,987,583 20	
		LIABILITIES.		\$297,452,186 28	
\$345,959,200 00		Capital Stock:		\$347,047,200 00	
286,639,989 20		Outstanding (Exhibit D)			
150,230,113 98		Funded Debt:		285,553,457 70	
\$782,829,303 18		Bonds Outstanding (Exhibit E)		172,302,412 01	
		Balance carried down		\$804,903,069 71	
\$9,500,000 00		Current Liabilities:			
42,427 66		Loans and Bills Payable			
314,226 96		Traffic and Car Service Balances	\$3,259 22		
595,160 87		Audited Accounts and Wages Payable	309,500 23		
1,706,182 31		Miscellaneous Accounts Payable	46,555 49		
153,952 50		Interest Matured Unpaid	1,138,367 54		
115,000 00		Dividends Matured Unpaid	225,187 70		
6,431,125 00		Funded Debt Matured Unpaid	45,000 00		
3,162,225 85		Unmatured Dividends Declared	6,447,475 00		
39,560 47		Unmatured Interest Accrued	3,158,621 30		
\$22,059,861 62		Unmatured Rents Accrued	39,560 47		
264,112 18		Deferred Liabilities		\$11,413,526 95	
52,131,940 71		U. S. Government—Deferred Liabilities		196,639 49	
\$3,159,573 27		Unadjusted Credits:		68,057,090 00	
3,194,579 32		Tax Liability	\$3,499,878 30		
41,320,240 60		Operating Reserves	3,204,199 94		
5,693,874 47		Accrued Depreciation—Equipment	46,681,481 40		
53,368,267 66		Other Unadjusted Credits	10,233,092 60		
49,153 79		U. S. Government—Unadjusted Credits		63,618,652 24	
\$86,196,225 99		Corporate Surplus:		278,054 40	
25,263 69		Additions to Property through Income and Surplus	\$86,260,798 44		
92,322 68		Funded Debt Retired through Income and Surplus	34,504 94		
10,005 53		California-Arizona Lines Bonds—Sinking Fund Reserve	108,166 65		
2,033,684 25		The S. F. & S. J. V. Ry. Co. Bonds—Sinking Fund Reserve	14,118 28		
\$88,357,502 14		Reserve for Fuel Lands	2,103,945 06		
41,797,635 19		Profit and Loss—Balance	\$88,521,533 37		
130,155,137 33			65,366,689 83		
\$258,028,473 29				153,888,223 20	
				\$297,452,186 28	

We have examined the books and accounts of The Atchison Topeka & Santa Fe Railway and System Lines and certify that the above Balance Sheet and relative Income and Profit and Loss Accounts are properly drawn up therefrom and show the correct income of the Company's System for the year and the true financial condition at the close of the year, subject to such adjustment as may be required in settlement of U. S. Government accounts referred to in the President's report. We have been provided with satisfactory certificates from the Trustees as to the securities pledged under the different mortgages, and we have also verified the cash items.

Chicago, March 25 1920.

PRICE, WATERHOUSE & CO., Auditors.

**GENERAL BALANCE SHEET—EXHIBIT A.**  
RAILROADS, FRANCHISES AND OTHER PROPERTY.

Amount December 31 1918.....\$710,071,807 79

Expenditures for Additions and Betterments, Construction and other Capital Purposes during year ending December 31 1918..... 22,916,443 02

Total.....\$732,988,250 81

Transferred to Exhibit C:

Investment in securities of terminal companies.....\$1,832,759 65

Western Oklahoma Railway..... 45,091 05

1,877,850 70

\$731,110,400 11

**GENERAL BALANCE SHEET—EXHIBIT D.**  
CAPITAL STOCK DECEMBER 31 1919.

	Issued.*	In Treasury.	Outstanding.
Common.....	\$222,918,000 00	\$44,500 00	\$222,873,500 00
Preferred.....	124,199,500 00	25,800 00	124,173,700 00
	\$347,117,500 00	\$70,300 00	\$347,047,200 00

\* Not including \$4,800,000 Preferred Stock placed in special trust for certain purposes by the Reorganization Committee and not yet used, nor \$2,436,500 Preferred Stock in custody of the Central Union Trust Company of New York as Trustee, but held subject to the Company's order.

**GENERAL BALANCE SHEET—EXHIBIT C.**  
INVESTMENTS—NEW ACQUISITIONS.

Expenditures to December 31 1918.....\$12,192,238 23

Transferred from Exhibit A:

Investments in securities of terminal co's.....\$1,832,759 65

Western Oklahoma Railway..... 45,091 05

1,877,850 70

\$14,070,088 93

Expenditures during the year ending Dec. 31 1919:

Northwestern Pacific Railroad.....\$1,779,407 56

Healdton Pipe Line Company Capital Stock 372,800 00

Tie and Timber Lands..... 19,382 71

Real Estate held for future use..... 10,550 81

Ice Plant, Belen..... 6,418 31

Santa Barbara Tie & Pole Co..... 500 13

Deductions: \$2,189,059 52

Cherokee & Pittsburg Coal & Mining Co.....\$260,781 65

Ice Plant, San Bernardino..... 24,901 49

Ice Plant, Winslow..... 28,981 96

Power Plant, Winslow..... 850 15

Rails and Fastenings leased to various parties..... 14,086 84

Santa Fe Tie & Lumber Preserving Co..... 43,747 35

—373,349 44—1,815,710 08

\$15,885,799 01

**GENERAL BALANCE SHEET—EXHIBIT B—EXPENDITURES FOR ADDITIONS AND BETTERMENTS, CONSTRUCTION AND OTHER CAPITAL PURPOSES DURING YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31 1919.**

Name of Road.	Additions and Betterments.	Construction.	Other Expenditures.	Total.
Atchison Topeka & Santa Fe Ry.....	\$11,662,109 28	-----	*\$96,161 80	\$11,565,947 48
Atchison Topeka & Santa Fe Ry. (Coast Lines).....	1,722,244 20	-----	-----	1,722,244 20
Barton County & Santa Fe Ry.....	-----	\$134,252 42	-----	134,252 42
California Arizona & Santa Fe Ry.....	395,841 38	-----	-----	395,841 38
Cane Belt RR.....	21,258 19	-----	-----	21,258 19
Concho San Saba & Llano Valley RR.....	904 41	-----	-----	904 41
Dodge City & Cimarron Valley Ry.....	1,444 18	-----	-----	1,444 18
Eastern Ry. of New Mexico System.....	115,887 49	-----	-----	115,887 49
Garden City Gulf & Northern RR.....	3,164 06	-----	*5,254 70	*2,090 64
Grand Canyon Ry.....	13,489 08	-----	-----	13,489 08
Gulf & Interstate Ry. of Texas.....	5,917 88	-----	-----	5,917 88
Gulf & Interstate Ry. of Texas—Santa Fe Dock & Channel Co.....	348 13	-----	-----	348 13
Gulf Beaumont & Great Northern Ry.....	15,894 24	-----	-----	15,894 24
Gulf Beaumont & Kansas City Ry.....	24,536 65	-----	-----	24,536 65
Gulf Colorado & Santa Fe Ry.....	495,832 94	-----	-----	495,832 94
Jasper & Eastern Ry.....	27,245 54	-----	-----	27,245 54
Kansas Southwestern Ry.....	1,842 76	-----	-----	1,842 76
Laton & Western RR.....	20 67	-----	-----	20 67
Minkler Southern Ry.....	2,697 07	306,866 60	-----	309,563 67
North Texas & Santa Fe Ry.....	-----	798,423 99	-----	798,423 99
Oklahoma Central RR.....	-----	-----	12,424 72	12,424 72
Oil Fields & Santa Fe Ry.....	9,679 41	-----	-----	9,679 41
Osage County & Santa Fe Ry.....	-----	*177,024 94	-----	*177,024 94
Panhandle & Santa Fe Ry.....	241,141 67	-----	-----	241,141 67
Rio Grande El Paso & Santa Fe RR.....	11,790 19	-----	-----	11,790 19
Rocky Mountain & Santa Fe Ry.....	17,039 05	-----	-----	17,039 05
Santa Fe Pacific RR.....	-----	-----	200 00	200 00
Santa Fe Land Improvement Co.....	7,054,059 85	-----	-----	7,054,059 85
South Plains & Santa Fe Ry.....	3,427 39	4,699 88	-----	\$ 1,277 51
Texas & Gulf Ry.....	2,826 26	-----	-----	2,826 26
Tulsa & Santa Fe Ry.....	9,258 13	206,952 86	-----	206,952 86
Verde Valley Ry.....	3,758 64	-----	213,000 00	222,258 13
Western Arizona Ry.....	-----	-----	-----	3,758 64
	\$21,863,658 74	\$1,274,170 81	\$124,208 22	\$23,262,037 77
Deductions:	-----	-----	-----	-----
Land Sales.....	-----	-----	-----	750,000 00
	-----	-----	-----	\$22,512,037 77

\* Credits.

**GENERAL BALANCE SHEET—EXHIBIT E—FUNDED DEBT DECEMBER 31 1919.**

Class of Bonds.	Rate of Interest.	Issued.	In Treasury.	Outstanding.
General Mortgage—Due October 1 1995.....	4%	\$152,562,500 00	\$1,928,000 00	\$150,634,500 00
Adjustment Mortgage—Due July 1 1995.....	4%	51,728,000 00	382,000 00	51,346,000 00
Convertible—Due June 1 1955.....	4%	7,975,000 00	-----	7,975,000 00
Convertible—Due June 1 1960.....	4%	10,071,000 00	-----	10,071,000 00
Transcontinental Short Line—Due July 1 1958.....	4%	22,545,000 00	-----	22,545,000 00
California—Arizona Lines—Due March 1 1962.....	4 1/4%	18,525,737 20	14,599 50	18,511,137 70
Eastern Oklahoma Division—Due March 1 1928.....	4%	9,603,000 00	-----	9,603,000 00
Rocky Mountain Division—Due January 1 1965.....	4%	3,000,000 00	-----	3,000,000 00
San Francisco & San Joaquin Valley Ry.—Due October 1 1940.....	5%	5,967,000 00	18,000 00	5,949,000 00
Santa Fe Prescott & Phoenix Ry.—Due September 1 1942.....	5%	4,940,000 00	-----	4,940,000 00
Chicago Santa Fe & California Ry.—Due January 1 1937.....	5%	560,000 00	-----	560,000 00
Hutchinson & Southern Ry.—Due January 1 1928.....	5%	192,000 00	-----	192,000 00
Prescott & Eastern RR.—Due April 1 1928.....	5%	224,000 00	-----	224,000 00
Miscellaneous Bonds.....	---	2,820 00	-----	2,820 00
		\$287,896,057 20	\$2,342,599 50	\$285,553,457 70

**(V.) Vivadou, Inc.—Listing.—**  
The New York Stock Exchange has authorized the listing of 300,000 shares of capital stock (being the total authorized issue), no par value. Corporation has no funded debt.  
Gross sales Sept. 1 to Dec. 31 1919, \$1,790,256; Jan. 1 to March 31 1920, \$1,600,566.  
Net earnings Sept. 1 to Dec. 31 1919, \$420,435; Federal tax (est.), \$120,000; bal., sur., \$300,435; net earnings Jan. 1 to March 31 1920, \$278,082.  
It is estimated that the gross business for the full year 1920 will amount to about \$8,000,000 and that net earnings will be at least \$1,500,000. Compare V. 109, p. 895, 1086; V. 110, p. 1096, 772.

**White Motor Co., Cleveland.—New Capital—Report.—**  
The stockholders will vote June 9 on increasing the capital stock from \$25,000,000 to \$30,000,000. A statement accompanying the notice of the meeting says:  
"If the stockholders act affirmatively the directors will be in a position to issue and sell stock from time to time and in amount deemed necessary to provide additional capital funds likely to be required by company's increasing business. No stock dividend is contemplated. If and when more stock is sold, stockholders will of course, be given subscription rights."  
The company has declared the regular quarterly dividend of \$1, payable June 30 to stock of record June 15.

Earnings Calendar Years—	1919.	1918.
Gross sales.....	\$41,667,697	\$39,559,794
Operating profit, after expenses.....	4,983,371	5,497,484
Other income.....	746,505	433,091
Total income.....	\$5,729,876	\$6,380,585
Federal taxes and reserve for contingencies.....	2,860,000	3,700,000
Balance for dividends.....	\$2,869,876	\$2,680,585
Dividends.....	1,440,000	1,280,000
Surplus.....	\$1,429,876	\$1,400,585
Previous surplus adjusted.....	6,449,180	5,220,891
Total surplus.....	\$7,879,056	\$6,621,476

—V. 109, p. 2446.

**(F. W.) Woolworth Co.—April Sales.—**  
1920—April 1919. Increase. | 1920—4 Mos.—1919. Increase.  
\$10,743,878 \$9,135,404 \$1,608,474 | \$38,256,991 \$32,584,629 \$5,672,362  
—V. 110, p. 1650, 1533, 1096.

**Youngstown Sheet & Tube Co.—Stock Dividend.—**  
The "Iron Age," May 6, says in substance: The directors have declared a stock dividend of 15,034 shares of Common stock, which is now unissued, payable July 1 to holders of record June 20. This disposes of all the authorized Common stock amounting to \$20,000,000.  
The directors also decided that it was advisable to declare an additional stock dividend, as represented by surplus accumulated since organization of the company, and which will more nearly represent the value of the company's various properties and working capital.  
The stockholders are to vote on June 1 on increasing the Common capital from \$20,000,000 to \$100,000,000, the increase to consist of 800,000 shares of Common, par value \$100. The shareholders are also asked to waive their right to subscribe to \$6,000,000 or 60,000 shares of the increased Common and to authorize the directors to sell this amount to employees of the company "at such times and under such conditions as the directors may prescribe."  
Pres. James A. Campbell is quoted as follows: "If the stockholders, at their meeting, vote in favor of increasing the Capital stock, it is then the intention of the directors to declare a further stock dividend out of this increase in capital and still leave in the treasury a substantial amount of stock to be sold from time to time as the conditions of the company may warrant, for further extensions, the securing of additional raw materials or working capital."—V. 110, p. 1858, 977.

**CURRENT NOTICES**

—The advertising agency of Albert Frank & Co. is now housed in its new six-story building at 14 Stone St. In 1872 this concern began its career at 67 and 69 William St., where it occupied small space. Since then it has moved six times, including the present location, in the same neighborhood, due to more room required for its business expansion. Quick work was required to get the latest additional space required by the company, with the result that the present site was purchased in February last, the old building taken down and no money spared to rush the new structure to completion. The building, it is said, has the distinction of being the first to be built in this country for an advertising agency's own use. Albert Frank & Co. formerly gave their chief attention to financial and transportation advertising. Now merchandising accounts constitute a fair proportion of their business.



## NORTHERN STATES POWER COMPANY

ANNUAL REPORT—FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31 1919.

Office of Northern States Power Company  
(Incorporated in Delaware).  
208 South La Salle Street,  
Chicago, Illinois, April 27 1920.

To the Stockholders of Northern States Power Company:

Your Directors herewith submit report of the financial condition of your Company and its subsidiaries, as of December 31 1919; also a statement of operations during the twelve months ended on that date, and other detailed information, to which your attention is called.

The earnings for the years ended December 31 compare as follows:

	1919.	1918.	1917.	1916.
Gross Earnings	\$9,875,934 34	\$8,392,664 40	\$7,154,508 89	\$6,087,153 16
Net Earnings	4,117,312 69	3,542,974 06	3,389,780 50	3,341,656 90
Fixed Charges	1,999,055 83	1,922,713 64	1,709,837 74	1,593,127 79
Balance	2,118,256 86	1,620,260 42	1,679,942 76	1,748,529 11
Preferred Dividends	1,176,998 02	1,036,915 32	916,011 05	740,236 39
Balance Available for Amortization, Depreciation and Common Dividends	941,258 84	583,345 10	763,931 71	1,008,292 72

There has again been a material increase in your Company's business, due in part to the rapid restoration of normal activities, and in part to the development of new business. A marked feature of the year's business was the very slight loss felt by the closing down of so-called war industries. The after-effects of the war, as shown in the higher prices of all farm products, have placed the farming communities in a very prosperous condition, reacting favorably upon all the industries in the territory served by your Company. This is especially true as regards the manufacture of farm implements and machinery and equipment for flour mills and allied plants.

The gross earnings of your Company increased 17.67 per cent over 1918, and net earnings increased 16.21 per cent. No increased rates of any consequence were made effective in 1919, but the increase in gross earnings reflected, in addition to much new business, rate increases made effective the latter part of 1918.

The entire balance of net income for 1919, after payment of preferred stock dividends and the setting aside of necessary sums for depreciation and amortization, was credited to surplus. No dividends were paid on the common stock during the past year. Depreciation and other reserves, as well as surplus earnings, as above, have been reinvested in betterments and improvements to the property.

Water conditions at the hydro-electric plants were above the average, and the heavy snowfall of the past winter promises a continuance of this favorable situation.

The cost of coal in 1917 absorbed 17.36 per cent of the gross earnings, in 1918, 20.8 per cent and in 1919, 19.45 per cent. Although the fuel cost continues to be a serious item in the operating expenses, and there is little indication of any reduction, it would seem that the growth of the business is carrying this burden with greater ease, and that while there may be further increases in the price of coal and in freight rates, the ratio of the fuel cost to gross earnings should not increase beyond the high ratio of 1918.

It is expected that legislation will shortly be passed by Congress enabling further development of the hydro-electric power situations owned by your Company.

Your Company is still faced with the high cost of labor, and there is little likelihood of any immediate recession. There are indications, however, that it is easier to retain the services of experienced help and that there is a slowly growing realization that labor must produce and do its share if it is to retain the great benefits which have accrued to it as a result of the war.

Expenditures for new construction during the year amounted to \$3,455,930 22.

During the year 1919 the new 25,000-kilowatt steam turbine at the Riverside steam plant of the Minneapolis Power Division was placed in operation. This unit provided much needed capacity, and due to its high economies has effected material savings in fuel consumption, compared with the smaller units which had been operating beyond their economical capacity during the past two years. The capacity of this power station has been increased four and two-fifths times since 1914. It is now by far the largest power source in this part of the country, and one of the larger steam stations in the United States.

The work of installing a 4,000-kilowatt steam turbine, superheaters and miscellaneous equipment at Galena, Illinois, was carried on steadily during the year. The installation was completed in March 1920 and the turbine placed in service.

The installation of a 3,000-kilowatt steam turbine, stokers and necessary equipment in the steam station at Sioux Falls was also completed, and this unit placed in operation in January 1920.

The installation of these economical new units at the Riverside steam plant, at Galena and at Sioux Falls has resulted in a fuel saving of 25 per cent to the extent of the current

generated by these units, and to that extent will tend to offset the loss in business due to a lessening of the activities of the zinc mines in the Galena district.

The following additions to your Company's transmission and distribution lines were completed in 1919:

A 33,000-volt transmission line, 11 miles in length, connecting Shullsburg, Wisconsin, with Apple River, Illinois, to supply power wholesale to the Lena Electric Light & Power Company, serving the cities of Apple River, Lena, Nora, Stockton, Shannon and Lanark, Illinois;

A 60,000-volt transmission line connecting Sioux Falls with Pipestone on the Southwestern Division, which will enable the Company to shut down the small steam station in the latter city. This line is 54 miles long, 35 miles of which is new construction and 19 miles of which is a 13,000-volt line increased to a higher voltage. This line was placed in service in the early part of 1920;

Raising the voltage from 33,000 volts to 67,000 volts of the transmission tie line connecting Faribault, Mankato and the Southwestern Division with Minneapolis and St. Paul, a distance of approximately 100 miles;

Extensive additions to the underground and overhead distribution systems in the cities of St. Paul and Minneapolis, and the increasing of a large section of the distribution system in Sioux Falls for 4,000-volt operation.

The following towns were connected to your Company's transmission and distribution systems during the year, all of which were supplied directly on a wholesale basis or were served through some company purchasing current from us:

Warren, Ill.	Prairie du Chien, Wis.	Bloomington, Minn.
Nora, Ill.	Woodman, Wis.	Coon Creek, Minn.
Lena, Ill.	Wauzeka, Wis.	Oxboro Heath, Minn.
Pearl City, Ill.	Decorah, Iowa.	Essig, Minn.
Shannon, Ill.	Claremont, Minn.	Frost, Minn.
Lanark, Ill.	Kilkenny, Minn.	Bricelyn, Minn.
Apple River, Ill.	Belle Plaine, Minn.	

Your Company has made all necessary expenditures to maintain the properties in first-class operating condition.

During the year your Company sold \$1,499,000 00 of its first and refunding bonds, and underlying bonds aggregating \$83,000 00 were retired through the medium of sinking funds.

The relations of your Company with the various city officials, its customers and the communities generally are uniformly satisfactory, and due to the policy of good-will so consistently followed the Company has been enabled to obtain such increases in rates as were necessary to maintain it in a sound operating condition.

Upon the application of the cities of Fargo and Grand Forks the Railroad Commission of North Dakota held hearings to consider the fairness of our rates for electricity, gas and steam in these cities, and with the exception of a slight reduction in electric rates in Fargo our entire rate schedules in the two cities were sustained.

Application had been made by the Minot Division to the Railroad Commission in North Dakota for an increase in electric rates in Minot, and during March 1920 a decision was rendered granting the increase applied for, to date from March 1 1920.

There was no litigation of importance during the year.

The sale of your Company's preferred stock in the territory served is being continued with marked success, 24,797 shares, of a par value of \$100 00 per share, having been sold during the year; 2,712 new local shareholders were added to the Company's list. The policy of the Company in encouraging community ownership is undoubtedly for the best interest of all concerned, creating, as it does, such close relations between the Company and the citizens that it may be compared with the highest type of municipal ownership without the very serious drawbacks of municipal operation.

The increasing popularity of this progressive step inaugurated by your Company may be gauged by the following record of sales since the inception of the movement in June 1915:

Year—	Separate Sales.	Par Value of Shares.
1915	326	\$206,300
1916	1,926	1,002,800
1917	2,069	945,900
1918	4,049	1,967,100
1919	4,314	2,479,700
Total	12,684	\$6,601,800
January to March, inclusive, 1920	2,668	1,432,600
Total	15,352	\$8,034,400

The holdings of preferred stock in the territory served by your Company now average approximately \$10 00 per capita of the population served.

Due to the continued high cost of labor and materials, your Company is reducing to the lowest possible limits the amount of construction work in the coming year, doing only that necessary to provide adequate equipment for the anticipated steady growth in its business.

Immediately following this report is given the report of the Treasurer, submitting general financial statement, certified earnings statement of your Company for the twelve months ended December 31 1919, certified balance sheet of same date, also statement of comparative earnings. There

are also submitted statistics covering connected load, consumers, population, electrical and gas equipment, territory served and other detailed information, including physical description of property.

The Board of Directors has constantly appreciated the loyal interest and skillful industry of the employees. A survey of the entire situation—the results being herein set forth—calls for grateful reaffirmation of that appreciation.

By order of the Board of Directors,

H. M. BYLLESBY,  
President.

#### REPORT OF THE TREASURER.

Minneapolis, Minn., April 24 1920.

Mr. H. M. Byllesby, President Northern States Power Company, Chicago, Illinois.

Dear Sir:—I beg to submit herewith general financial statement, certified earnings statement for the twelve months ended December 31 1919, and certified balance sheet as of the same date; also statement of comparative earnings.

Respectfully yours,

J. J. MOLYNEAUX,  
Treasurer.

#### NORTHERN STATES POWER COMPANY AND SUBSIDIARIES—SUMMARY OF INCOME AND PROFIT AND LOSS FOR THE YEAR 1919.

(For details see report of audit below by Arthur Andersen & Company, certified public accountants.)

Gross Earnings.....	\$9,875,934 34
Operating Expenses.....	5,758,621 65
Net Earnings.....	\$4,117,312 69
Interest Charges (Net).....	1,999,055 83

Balance for amortization of bond discount and expense, depreciation and dividends.....\$2,118,256 86

During the year 1919 the Company has earned and paid or accrued dividends on its preferred stock at the regular rate of 7% per annum, which amounted to.....1,176,998 02

Leaving a balance of.....\$941,258 84

(This balance of \$941,258 84 is equal to 15.25% on the outstanding common stock; however, your Company has appropriated for depreciation and amortization of debt discount and expense, as shown below)

Appropriated for depreciation.....\$450,000 00

Debt discount and expense amortized.....175,000 00

Balance carried to Surplus Account.....\$316,258 84

This balance of \$316,258 84 is equal to 5.12% on the \$6,170,000 common stock outstanding.)

#### DEPRECIATION RESERVE.

The balance in the depreciation reserve account on December 31 1918 was.....\$839,325 48

This has been increased during the year 1919 from current surplus earnings.....450,000 00

Total.....\$1,289,325 48

Against the foregoing there has been charged for equipment retired from service, renewals, replacements, &c., less salvage (net).....422,568 03

Resulting in a net balance to the depreciation reserve account on December 31 1919 of.....\$866,757 45

#### SURPLUS ACCOUNT.

The surplus account on December 31 1918 was.....\$751,457 93

During 1919 there was added.....316,258 84

Making the surplus account December 31 1919.....\$1,067,716 77

#### ON DECEMBER 31 1919

The foregoing undistributed surplus account of.....\$1,067,716 77

And the depreciation reserve account on the same date of.....866,757 45

Make an aggregate of.....\$1,934,474 22

Representing the surplus earnings from operation which have been invested in extensions, improvements and additions to the property.

#### MAINTENANCE, REPLACEMENTS & RENEWALS.

All the properties embraced in the operations of the Company and its subsidiaries have been fully maintained and are in excellent operating condition.

The cost of maintenance of property for the year 1919 amounted to \$642,950 76, which is included in operating expenses. In addition to this maintenance there has been a total of \$422,568 03 charged against previously existing depreciation reserve for replacements and renewals of property during the same period. The total expenditure for the year 1919, therefore, has been:

For maintenance.....\$642,950 76

For replacements, renewals, &c., net.....422,568 03

Total for maintenance, replacements, renewals, &c. (net).....\$1,065,518 79

#### TAXES.

The taxes included in the operating expenses of the year 1919 amount to.....\$709,706 49

#### CONSTRUCTION EXPENDITURES.

For the year 1919 there was expended for additions, improvements and betterments to the properties an aggregate net total of.....\$3,455,930 22

Arthur Andersen David Himmelblau  
W. H. Andersen, Resident Manager W. C. Reyer, Public Utility Dept.  
F. M. Simons Jr., Industrial Engineering Dept.

#### ARTHUR ANDERSEN & CO.

Certified Public Accountants

Chicago New York Milwaukee  
Telephone Randolph 5386 Harris Trust Building

Chicago, March 13 1920.

We have audited the books and records of the Northern States Power Company of Delaware and Subsidiaries for the year ended December 31 1919, and we hereby certify that, in our opinion, the attached Consolidated Balance Sheet and Consolidated Income Account correctly reflect the financial condition at December 31 1919, and the results from operations for the year ended that date.

ARTHUR ANDERSEN & CO.,

Certified Public Accountants.

#### NORTHERN STATES POWER COMPANY OF DELAWARE AND SUBSIDIARIES—CONSOLIDATED INCOME ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31 1919 AND SUMMARY OF SURPLUS ACCOUNT.

Gross Earnings—	
Electric Department.....	\$8,584,278 29
Gas Department.....	523,120 27
Steam Department.....	574,125 21
Telephone Department.....	68,014 88
Street Railway Department.....	126,395 29

Total Gross Earnings.....\$9,875,934 34

#### Operating Expenses and Taxes—

Operation.....\$4,405,964 40

Maintenance.....642,950 76

Taxes.....709,706 49

Total Operating Expenses and Taxes.....5,758,621 65

Net Earnings.....\$4,117,312 69

Interest Charges (Net).....1,999,055 83

Net Income Available for Amortization of Debt Discount and Expense, Depreciation and Dividends.....\$2,118,256 86

Deduct—

Preferred Stock Dividends.....\$1,176,998 02

Appropriated for:

Depreciation.....\$450,000 00

Amortization of Debt Discount and Expense.....175,000 00

625,000 00

1,801,998 02

Balance carried to Surplus Account.....\$316,258 84

Surplus January 1 1919.....761,457 93

Total Surplus December 31 1919, per Balance Sheet.....\$1,067,716 77

#### NORTHERN STATES POWER COMPANY OF DELAWARE AND SUBSIDIARIES—CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEET DECEMBER 31 1919.

#### ASSETS.

Capital Assets:

Plant, Property, Rights, Franchises, &c.....\$60,890,912 86

Collateral and Other Cash Deposits:

Deposits under First and Refunding Mortgage Bonds:

Collateral Cash.....\$219,300 00

Special Trust Fund.....49,047 81

Sinking Fund Cash.....7,767 21

276,115 02

Investments in Stocks and Bonds of Other Companies, Associations, &c.....51,714 25

Debt Discount and Expense in Process of Amortization (including \$268,000 00 Expired).....4,956,302 30

Deferred Operating Charges, &c.:

Unexpired Insurance.....\$35,519 27

Miscellaneous Deferred Charges, Unadjusted Debts, &c.....39,856 31

Rate Investigation Expenses.....26,964 31

Extraordinary Operating Expenses in Process of Amortization.....108,839 74

211,179 63

Current Assets:

Cash on Hand and in Bank.....\$1,696,427 76

U. S. Liberty Bonds (\$50,000 00 Pledged as Security for Notes Payable, per Contra).....237,450 00

Cash Deposited for Bond Interest.....10,380 00

Accounts and Notes Receivable \$1,035,891 02

Less—Reserve for Uncollectible Accounts.....72,725 93

963,165 09

237,344 29

Unbilled Electricity.....219,079 03

Due from Fiscal Agents for December Preferred Stock Sales, &c.....1,183,184 81

4,547,030 98

Total.....\$70,933,255 04

#### LIABILITIES.

Capital Stock of Northern States Power Co. of Delaware:

Authorized:

7% Preferred, 500,000 Shares, \$100 Each \$50,000,000 00

Common, 500,000 Shares, \$100 Each.....50,000,000 00

\$100,000,000 00

Issued and Outstanding:

7% Preferred, 179,400

Shares, \$100 Each.....\$17,940,000 00

Less—In Treasury.....100,500 00

\$17,839,500 00

Common, 61,700 Shares, \$100 Each.....6,170,000 00

\$24,009,500 00

Minority Stockholders' Equity in Stock of Companies in Southwestern Minnesota Division.....111,500 00

Funded Debt:

Northern States Power Company of Minnesota 25-Year 5% First and Refunding Mortgage Bonds, Due April 1 1941.....\$24,567,500 00

Underlying Bonds:

Minneapolis General Electric Co. 30-Year 5% First Mortgage Bonds, due December 1 1934.....\$7,403,000 00

Southwestern Minnesota Division Bonds.....553,000 00

7,956,000 00

32,523,500 00

Unfunded Debt—Northern States Power Company of Minnesota:

10-Year 6% Gold Notes, Due April 1 1926.....\$7,805,000 00

5-Year Sinking Fund Convertible 7% Gold Notes, Due August 15 1923.....2,000,000 00

9,805,000 00

Current Liabilities:

Notes Payable (\$45,000 00 Secured by Hypothecation of \$50,000 00 U. S. Liberty Bonds, per Contra).....\$283,178 50

Accounts Payable.....570,565 60

Accrued Interest on Funded and Unfunded Debt.....523,074 08

Accrued General Interest.....3,949 16

Accrued Taxes.....661,721 98

Accrued Preferred Stock Dividends.....313,045 43

Standard Gas & Electric Company.....21,612 85

Byllesby Engineering & Management Corp.....17,206 14

Consumers' Deposits.....75,250 23

Miscellaneous Outstanding Liabilities.....20,438 88

2,490,042 85

Reserves:

Depreciation and Replacements.....\$866,757 45

Special Maintenance.....59,237 97

925,995 42

Surplus.....1,067,716 77

\$70,933,255 04



CAPITALIZATION.

NORTHERN STATES POWER COMPANY.

Northern States Power Company was incorporated under the laws of Delaware in 1909.

The total number of preferred and common stockholders of the Northern States Power Company at the last closing of the books was 10,972.

Preferred Stock, 7% Cumulative, Authorized, \$50,000,000.

The outstanding issued preferred stock on December 31 1919 was \$17,839,500, an increase of \$2,033,000 during the year 1919.

Common Stock, Authorized, \$50,000,000.

There has been no change in the issued common stock since the last annual report. On December 31 1919 there was outstanding \$6,170,000.

THE MINNEAPOLIS GENERAL ELECTRIC COMPANY.

First Mortgage 5% Bonds, Dated December 1 1904, Due December 1 1934; Authorized, \$8,000,000.

Retired through Sinking Fund, \$597,000; outstanding December 31 1919, \$7,403,000.

There were \$76,000 bonds redeemed through the operation of the Sinking Fund during the year 1919. These are the only underlying bonds outstanding in the hands of the public. However, other bonds which are not underlying are explained in a later paragraph.

NORTHERN STATES POWER COMPANY (OF MINNESOTA).

First and Refunding Bonds, Dated April 1 1916, Due April 1 1941; Authorized, \$100,000,000.

The issued first and refunding 5% bonds increased \$1,499,000 during the year 1919, making the outstanding at the close of the year \$24,567,500. On December 31 1919 the Company had cash of \$219,300 on deposit with the trustee of these bonds, to be withdrawn against construction expenditures.

NORTHERN STATES POWER COMPANY (OF MINNESOTA).

Ten-Year 6% Notes, Dated April 1 1916, Due April 1 1926; Authorized, \$12,000,000.

The outstanding issue of these notes was \$7,805,000 on December 31 1919, there having been no change during the year 1919.

NORTHERN STATES POWER COMPANY (OF MINNESOTA).

Five-Year 7% Gold Notes, Dated August 15 1918, Due August 15 1923; Authorized, \$3,500,000.

The outstanding issue of these notes was \$2,000,000 on December 31 1919, there having been no change during the year 1919.

Option Warrants, Issued April 1 1916, Maturing April 1 1922.

There was no change in the option warrants during the year 1919. On December 31 1919 the outstanding was 78,050.

Other Securities.

Properties acquired during the year 1917 had outstanding on December 31 1919 \$553,000 bonds and \$111,500 of stock not owned by Northern States Power Company, there having been \$7,000 par value of these bonds retired during the year. The interest of your Company is a security investment until the remaining stock is acquired, at which time the \$553,000 bonds will become an underlying issue of the Northern States Power System.

Certain of your subsidiary companies have outstanding securities, but all of these are owned by Northern States Power Company, and are pledged as collateral to its first and refunding 5% bonds.

NORTHERN STATES POWER COMPANY (OF MINNESOTA).

Preferred and Common Stocks.

Northern States Power Company of Delaware owns all of the capital stock of Northern States Power Company of Minnesota, except qualifying directors' shares, and the changes in the stocks of the two companies are identical.

NORTHERN STATES POWER COMPANY AND SUBSIDIARIES—COMPARATIVE INCOME STATEMENTS YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31.

Year—	Gross Earnings.	Net Earnings.
1919	\$9,875,934 34	\$4,117,312 69
1918	8,392,664 40	3,542,974 06
1917	7,154,508 89	3,389,780 50
1916	6,087,153 16	3,341,656 90
1915	5,121,826 95	2,866,634 10
1914	4,492,746 95	2,419,491 04
1913	4,045,642 44	2,043,035 72
1912	3,695,985 61	1,860,968 60
1911	3,208,286 61	1,583,027 96
1910	2,711,071 00	1,289,295 58

The above figures include for the full years all properties now comprised in Northern States Power Company, which gives a comparison of the growth in earnings of the territory served.

Year—	Gross Earnings.	Net Earnings.
1919	\$9,875,934 34	\$4,117,312 69
1918	8,392,664 40	3,542,974 06
1917	7,154,508 89	3,389,780 50
1916	6,087,153 16	3,341,656 90
1915	5,121,826 95	2,866,634 10
1914	4,395,868 81	2,364,370 31
1913	3,887,408 42	1,956,934 06
1912	2,839,222 47	1,392,562 87
1911	1,568,993 25	697,417 81
1910	723,754 75	301,938 65

These figures include the properties only for the period operated by the Northern States Power Company.

NORTHERN STATES POWER COMPANY AND SUBSIDIARIES.

PROPERTIES EMBRACED AND POPULATION SERVED.

Minneapolis, Minnesota, Division. Served with electricity in Minneapolis and surrounding territory, including St. Croix Falls, Wisconsin, and communities adjacent thereto	429,350
St. Paul, Minnesota, Division. Served with electricity in St. Paul and immediate suburbs, and as to part of the territory, with steam heat	319,900
Stillwater, Minnesota, Division. Served with electricity and artificial gas in Stillwater and South Stillwater, electricity in White Bear and smaller communities, and artificial gas in Hudson, Wisconsin	20,000
Fargo, North Dakota, Division. Served with electricity, artificial gas, steam heat and street railway in Fargo, artificial gas and street railway in Moorhead, Minnesota, and electricity and street railway in Dilworth, Minnesota	29,500
Sioux Falls, South Dakota, Division. Served with electricity in Sioux Falls and surrounding territory	34,200
Galena, Illinois, and Platteville, Wisconsin, Division. Served with electricity, principally in extensive zinc mining operations.	42,250
Grand Forks, North Dakota, Division. Served with electricity, artificial gas and steam heat in Grand Forks, electricity and artificial gas in East Grand Forks, Minnesota, and electricity in Red Lake Falls and surrounding territory	18,100
Mankato, Minnesota, Division. Served with electricity and artificial gas in Mankato, and electricity in surrounding territory	46,800
Faribault, Minnesota, Division. Served with electricity and artificial gas in Faribault and Northfield, and electricity in surrounding territory	39,000
Minot, North Dakota, Division. Served with electricity, steam heat and telephone in Minot, electricity in surrounding territory, and, as to part of territory, with telephone	15,200
Southwestern Minnesota Division. Served with electricity in a group of communities located in the southwestern part of Minnesota	27,700
Estimated total population served December 31 1919	1,022,000

In addition to the foregoing, the lines of the Company serve a rural and farming population of large proportions, which is not included in the above figures, and which is continually absorbing increased amounts of electricity and artificial gas furnished by the various divisions.

COMMUNITIES SERVED.

Service Classified by Communities—	
Electricity Only	215
Electricity and Gas	9
Electricity and Steam	2
Electricity and Street Railway	1
Electricity, Gas and Steam	1
Electricity, Gas and Street Railway	2
Electricity, Gas, Steam and Street Railway	1
Electricity, Steam and Telephone	1
Gas Only	1
Total Communities Served	233
Communities Classified by Service—	
Electricity	232
Gas	14
Steam	5
Street Railway	4
Telephone	1
Total Communities by Class of Service	256

MISCELLANEOUS STATISTICS.

	Dec. 31 1919.	Dec. 31 1918.	Dec. 31 1917.	Dec. 31 1916.	Dec. 31 1915.
Consumers Connected:					
Electric	115,265	101,438	95,480	81,774	68,306
Gas	12,982	11,909	11,782	11,296	10,729
Steam Heat	740	709	716	689	685
Telephone	2,016	1,842	2,159	1,918	1,602
Total Consumers	131,003	115,898	110,137	95,677	81,322
Increase over prev. yrs.	15,105	5,761	14,460	14,355	12,082
	Dec. 31 1919.	Dec. 31 1918.	Dec. 31 1917.	Dec. 31 1916.	Dec. 31 1915.
No. motors connected	16,454	14,363	12,734	11,237	9,790
Horse powers in motors	175,562	159,043	127,689	102,247	83,471
50-watt equivalents connected	1,998,522	1,815,278	1,718,134	1,532,258	1,340,975
City arcs connected	3,624	3,611	5,725	3,720	3,686
City incandescents connected	13,344	13,105	16,638	11,891	10,598
Total K. W. connected	308,073	269,588	231,718	191,945	159,807
Electric distribution lines December 31 1919				1,600 miles	
Electric transmission lines December 31 1919				1,284 miles	
Gas output, year 1919				367,966,400 cu. ft.	
Gas output, year 1918				350,806,450 cu. ft.	
Increase 1919 over 1918				17,159,950 cu. ft.	
Electric output, year 1919				386,493,939 k. w.-h.	
Electric output, year 1918				350,827,299 k. w.-h.	
Increase 1919 over 1918				35,666,640 k. w.-h.	

The generating plants and substations of the subsidiary companies of Northern States Power Company are generally contained in modern structures, all adapted to their purpose, and contain a total rated capacity of equipment, as follows:

Electric Stations:	
Boilers	34,764 h.p.
Reciprocating engines and turbines	87,115 h.p.
Water wheels	51,205 h.p.
Rating of generators	129,613 h.p.
High-voltage transformers	358,621 h.p.
Gas plants have generating and holder capacity as follows:	
Generating capacity per day	1,460,000 cu. ft.
Holder capacity	1,177,000 cu. ft.

SUMMARY OF GAS EQUIPMENT DECEMBER 31 1919.

Location—	Mfg. Capacity per Day (Cub. Feet).	Holder Capacity (Cubic Feet).
Fargo, N. D.	540,000	500,000
Faribault, Minn.	200,000	62,000
Grand Forks, N. D.	320,000	280,000
Hudson, Wis.		15,000
Mankato, Minn.	200,000	150,000
Northfield, Minn.		20,000
Stillwater, Minn.	200,000	150,000
Total	1,460,000	1,177,000

SUMMARY OF GAS MAINS.

Location—	Miles.
Fargo Division	46
Faribault Division	26
Grand Forks Division	25
Hudson Division	7
Mankato Division	25
Northfield Division	14
Stillwater Division	25
Interurban High-Pressure Lines	23
Total	191



The Commercial Times.

COMMERCIAL EPITOME

Friday Night, May 7 1920.

Trade continues to shrink. Wholesale, jobbing and retail business is smaller. The people are buying less; they are tired of higher prices. Evidently there is a silent revolt against living costs on the part of large sections of the population in various parts of the United States. Partly, however the reduction in trade is due to the lack of adequate railroad transportation. Also the cold raw spring, the most backward in many years, hurts the sale of spring and summer goods. Manufacturers and dealers in other words are faced with peculiarly unfavorable conditions. In the dry goods trade, too, there is a fear of cancellations. To make matters worse banks are tied up with loans which cannot be liquidated because of the non-arrival of the merchandise tied up on the railroads. The money situation, too, naturally attracts increasing attention. Rates are high with the reserves of the Federal Reserve banks down to a law record percentage. Add to all this the bane of oppressively high prices or in other words the high cost of living, a rather gloomy stock market, and pessimistic talk about the world's prospective crops, and the picture certainly is not especially attractive. Farmers cannot market their crops to any satisfactory extent. Manufacturers find it hard to get fuel and raw materials, and no less difficult to deliver the finished product to buyers. It is said that there are nearly 25,000 cars loaded with grain on the tracks between New York and Pittsburgh, some of which have been there for a month or more. Meanwhile widespread economy of itself apart from other causes is having some effect on prices. In various parts of the country they are being reduced. This fact naturally reacts upon jobbing and wholesale lines. There is less and less disposition to order merchandise heavily for distant delivery. Nobody knows what prices are going to be. The uncertainty as to deliveries, it will be readily understood, also handicaps business, although here and there there is a slight improvement at points which happen to be favored for the time being at least with a somewhat larger supply of cars. The South and the Middle West are having the best trade, but it is not what it was at one time. It is noticeable, too, that failures though fewer are often for larger liabilities than has generally been the case. As for the crop outlook rains in Texas have benefited cotton, the unwelcome rains in the eastern cotton belt have died down, and the weather for seeding the grain crops has been better. The spring wheat acreage will be to all appearance much smaller than that of last year, but that of corn may increase under the spur of remarkable prices; also that of oats, rye and barley.

A significant, perhaps a momentous, thing occurred to-day in Paterson, N. J., a big silk manufacturing centre. It may mark the turn of the tide. For silk mill owners there is response to a demand of their workmen for higher wages than even the abnormally high rates already being paid, promptly reduced them 2½ cents per yard of output and announced that if this reduction is not accepted they will close their mills. This incident may turn out to be the handwriting on the wall. It will probably not be the first instance of the kind if sales decrease, deflation progresses and economy cuts the Gordian knot of exorbitant prices, which afflict an overtaxed and sorely burdened but hitherto patient people. At New York in the last five years the cost of living has increased 103%.

Not only do high prices still prevail, but the Federal Reserve Bank points out that they are either higher in many cases than they were in January and February or in some other cases but little lower. On the whole, very little progress has been made towards a reduction of either commodity prices or merchandise credits during the first four months of 1920. The usual credit liquidation of January and February did not occur this year, and, while during February the steadily rising indices of commodity prices halted, or even showed signs of declining, they resumed their upward course during March and April, accompanied by increasing bank loans. Deflation of merchandise loans and merchandise prices is something that lies ahead. It ought to come and it is bound to come. Chicago bread prices jumped from 10 cents to 12 cents a loaf as a result of an increase in wages of bakers to \$55 a week for day work. Such wages mean an income far higher than many a professional man has.

The present high cost of living is undoubtedly chargeable partly to a breakdown in railroad transportation. Representatives of the Middle Western States from Canada to the Gulf have appealed to the Inter-State Commerce Commission for relief both for that section and for the East. While people in the East are paying exorbitant prices for food products, food is piling up in the Middle West to an extent that threatens financial inconvenience. Banks cannot collect on loans. Merchandise cannot be delivered and loan transactions terminated. Scarcity of freight cars in the producing States and their accumulation in the East caused the mischief. Farmers' stocks of grain in the Mississippi Valley are large and potatoes are rotting there while they are sold here at unheard of prices by the pound.

Shoe manufacturers state that prices next fall will be lower because of lower prices for leather. Haberdashers

promise to reduce prices of collars to 25 cents each. They have been 35 to 50 cents and generally 40. Agitators against high prices have been urging the people to wear celluloid collars and strike back at haberdashers and laundrymen. Some woolen mills are reported to be closing down. Raw silk has declined sharply. The Japanese silk trade was hard hit by the Japanese panic. Japan has had to remove the embargo on exports of cotton yarn. The silk situation at Tokyo is reported to be bad. The Silk Exchange, it seems, has closed again with prices tending downward. Japanese sugar cane companies are to ship 50,000 tons of sugar to the United States. Japanese prices of imported tin plate, chemicals, fertilizers, and steel are far below the market prices in the United States with trade in a state of collapse and money tight. Silks at one point in Japan have fallen 50%.

Contradictory rumors are in circulation as to the number of men on strike in New Bedford. Some advices said the strike affected 37 cloth mills and that 20,000 workers were idle. It was the weaving departments which were either closed entirely or very badly crippled, the rest of the plants in all but two cases being in operation. Two mills have returned work and other mills are said to be making progress toward a resumption of work. New wage increases from \$1 an hour to \$1 25 or \$1 0 per 8-hour day for twenty crafts have, it is stated, cut building operations at Chicago in half. The scale a year ago was 75 cents to 80 cents an hour. Laborers advanced from 75 to 80 cents an hour. Workers, it is pointed out, may soon find themselves with high wage scales but no employment. In big woolen mills of Rhode Island higher wages are demanded. The United Textile Workers of America have demanded for all textile operatives affiliated with it a general wage advance of 17½% to go into effect in June. Such an advance would make a total cumulative advance of 143% in wages at Fall River since Jan. 23 1916. Yet the trade of the mills has of late fallen off sharply.

Strange as it sounds Australia may import wheat in 1921 owing to a poor season, due to drought. Great Britain refuses the petition of the Australian Wheat Board to forego the balance of 1,500,000 tons owing her. West Australia refuses to contribute to the shipment and other provinces may follow suit.

STOCKS OF MERCHANDISE IN NEW YORK.

	May 1 1920.	April 1 1920.	May 1 1919.
Coffee, Brazil	bags. 896,366	747,742	504,527
Coffee, Java	mats. 7,362	1,968	3,073
Coffee, other	bags. 508,311	461,595	420,332
Sugar	tons. 25,378	28,966	53,639
Hides	No.	Not published	
Cotton	bales. 9,548	9,809	63,337
Flour	barrels. 7,100	8,500	5,400

LARD higher; prime Western 20.90@21c.; refined to the Continent, 23c.; South American, 23.25c.; Brazil, in kegs, 24.25c. Futures were rather irregular with May lower. Later came a rise with grain. Packers sold on advances. Lard stocks have decreased moderately. Hogs declined, but as grain advanced at times packers bought. Later there was a good demand for lard and ribs, contrasting with buyers' indifference about pork. Shorts covered freely. To-day prices advanced closing higher for the week.

DAILY CLOSING PRICES OF LARD FUTURES IN CHICAGO

	Sat.	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thurs.	Fri.
May delivery	19.80	19.82	19.75	19.90	20.30	20.40
July delivery	20.55	20.62	20.70	20.85	21.10	21.20
September delivery					21.90	21.97

PORK quiet; mess \$42@43; family \$50@\$53. May pork closed at \$36 and July at \$36.80, a decline for the week. Beef steady; mess \$16@18; packet \$17@19; extra India mess \$40@42. Cut meats higher; pickled hams, 10 to 20 lbs., 30½@30½¢; picnic, 16½@18½¢; pickled bellies, 6 to 12 lbs., 26@28c. On May 1 the Chicago statement of meat stocks showed an increase of about 2,750,000 lbs. Butter, creamery, extras, 61½@62½¢. Cheese, flats, 20@31½¢. Eggs, fresh gathered, extras, 49@49½¢.

COFFEE on the spot has at times been more active and firm; later, it was quiet; 7 Rio 15½¢.; No. 4 Santos, 23¼@24¼¢.; fair to good Cucuta, 21½@22c. Futures advanced with a sharp rise at Rio and Santos. An importer now in Brazil is supposed to have been buying here. Some advance in stocks at one time also helped coffee. At other times a decline in stocks has had a more or less depressing effect on coffee. The stock at Rio is only 313,000 bags however, against 681,000 a year ago and at Santos 2,342,000 bags against 5,833,000 at this time last year. On the other hand New York has a stock of Brazil of 851,255 bags against 570,184 last year; total in sight for the United States 1,487,376 bags against 1,259,948 a year ago. Europe sold but the trade bought freely. To-day prices advanced ending higher than a week ago.

May	cts. 15.31@15.32	December	cts. 15.09@15.10
July	15.61@15.62	January	15.09@15.10
September	15.21@15.22	March	15.09@15.10

SUGAR has been higher, centrifugal 96 degrees test Cuba 19.56c., Porto Rican 19.56c. Cuba for second half of May loading sold at 18½¢. f. o. b.; June shipment at 19c. equal to 20.06c. duty paid; 100,000 bags sold early on the week it is understood at 19@19½¢. cost and freight June, July and August shipment; Guantamano May loading sold at 19½¢. f. o. b.; Java firsts, May shipment at 18c. c. i. f. and July and Aug. at 17½¢. c. i. f.; Porto Rico has been quiet owing to the strike and the doubt as to when shipments could be made. In any case of late buyers have been dis-



inclined to pay asking prices. Cuban exports are larger to Atlantic ports north of Hatteras reaching 96,937 tons, but receipts at the Cuban port were smaller i. e. only 132,054 tons compared with 154,353 tons the previous week and 170,729 tons a year ago. Stocks at the ports are only 672,947 tons against 1,038,984 tons in 1919 and 1,077,905 in 1918 at the corresponding date. Refined 18 1/2 @ 23c. for granulated. The 1919-20 crop is computed by the All-American Sugar League as 5,000,000 tons less than that of 1913-14 when the world's total production of cane and beet sugar was 20,655,900 tons. If this estimate is reasonably correct this year's crop is only 75% of that of the year before the war. The increased consumption of candy and other sweets under prohibition has raised the per capita consumption to probably an unheard-of total. The beet sugar crop in the United States in 1919-20 is put at 726,500 tons against 874,000 in 1915-16 and 733,401 tons in 1913-14. Louisiana's crop this year according to one estimate is only 121,000 tons against 280,900 tons last year. The Statistical Sugar Trade Journal shows a remarkable decrease in the world's crop of sugar. The German crop in 1913-14 was nearly 3,000,000 tons and now only 935,000 tons. The European crop in 1913-14 it is stated at 8,684,762 tons and this year not 4,000,000 tons. Futures here advanced to-day and end higher than a week ago. A bill introduced in the House of Representatives would bar speculation in sugar and prohibit resales by dealers "without reasonable justification." The Utah-Idaho Sugar Co., western beet sugar company, increased the price of granulated sugar from 13 cents to 22 1/4 cents a lb.

May-----cts. 18.50@18.75 August-----cts. 18.57@18.60  
 June-----18.55@18.75 September-----18.45@18.50  
 July-----18.59@18.60

Oils—Linseed quiet and easier; \$1.67 to \$1.72 was quoted for carloads, May-June delivery and \$1.70 to \$1.75 for five bbl. lots immediate delivery. One crusher on the 5th inst., it is said, was offering oil at \$1.65, and he is quoted as saying that any amount was obtainable at that figure. Coconut oil, Ceylon bbls. 18c., Cochin 18 1/4 @ 19c. Olive \$3.10 @ \$3.25. Corn, car lots, 20c. Cottonseed, crude, immediate, \$15.50. Spirits of turpentine, \$2.45. Common to good strained rosin, \$19.50.

PETROLEUM in good demand and steady; refined, in bbls., 23.50@24.50c.; bulk, 15@16c.; cases, 27@28c. Gasoline in better demand at unchanged prices; steel bbls., 28 1/2c.; consumers, 30 1/2c.; gas machine, 47 1/2c. A 75,000-bbl. gusher was brought in in the Chinamapa field, Mexico, on the 5th inst. According to the Oil City "Derrick," the March shipments of petroleum from Mexico eclipsed all former records, the total being 10,560,535 bbls., an increase of 4,905,317 bbls. over the same month last year. One report on the 3d inst. said that the Featherstone Well No. 1 in the northeast extension of the Homer field, which was brought in about two months ago with an initial production of 185 bbls. from 1,143 feet, is now making 2,000 bbls. at 1,275 feet in a sand which is said to be 172 feet in thickness.

Pennsylvania	\$6 10	Indiana	\$3 63	Thrall	\$3 50
Corning	4 00	Princeton	3 77	Heraldton	2 75
Obell	3 92	Illinois	3 77	Moran	3 00
Somerset, 32 deg.		Plymouth	3 98	Henrietta	3 00
and above	3 75	Kansas&Oklahoma	3 50	Canada	4 13
Ragland	1 75	Corsicana, light	3 00	Caddo, La., light	3 50
Wooster	4 05	Corsicana, heavy	1 75	Caddo crude	2 25
North Lima	3 73	Electra	3 50	De Soto	3 40
South Lima	3 73	Strawn	3 00		

RUBBER lower. The heavy arrivals from London and the Far East and the absence of demand were the chief depressing factors. The cables have latterly been weaker too. Later shorts covered and caused a rally; sterling exchange steadied too. Smoked ribbed sheets 41 1/4 for spot and nearby; 41 1/2 for June; 42c. for July; 43c. for August; 44c. for September; 44 1/2c. for July-December; 45 1/2c. for October-December and 46 1/2c. for the first half of next year. There was some demand earlier from speculative interests at 40 1/2c. for ribbed smoked sheets, but very little actual business was done. Paras and Centrals dull and unchanged.

OCEAN FREIGHTS have been only moderately active, to say the least. Exports lag; imports increased somewhat. One drawback is that many ships are unable to get bunker coal; railroad delays hurt business. The general situation is unsatisfactory. Even grain shipments have fallen off. General cargo freights are hard to get. Bunker coal at New York and Southern ports sells at \$12 to \$15 per ton and not plentiful at even such prices. Cotton is being shipped in ocean liners at \$1 50 to \$2 75 per 100 lbs. from New York to Liverpool or Manchester, with \$1 to Antwerp or Rotterdam and \$1 25 to Genoa. The American Steamship Owners' Association has formally declared its refusal to recognize the closed ship policy and is not disposed to grant any additional increases in the wages paid to the unlicensed personnel on American ships.

Charters included coal from Atlantic range to Marseilles at \$23 50 prompt; coal from Atlantic range to west Italy at \$23 75; coal from Virginia to Port Said, \$25; coal from Virginia to west Italy, \$29. Welsh form, May; coal from Virginia to west Italy \$22 75, free stevedoring May; coal from Virginia to Marseilles or Genoa, \$23 25 prompt; deals from Camden to United Kingdom, 300s. May; coal from Atlantic range to Mediterranean, \$20, May-June; coal from Atlantic range to a French Atlantic port, \$20 50, June; coal from Charleston, S. C., to Marseilles, \$24, June; coal from Atlantic range to a French Atlantic port, \$20 50, May-June; coal from Atlantic range to Rotterdam, \$19, four trips, May; coal from Atlantic range to Rotterdam, \$19 50, May; coal from Atlantic range to Spain, \$23; coal from Atlantic range to west Italy, \$22, free discharge, May-June; coal from Atlantic range to Port Said, \$25 50, June; sugar from Philadelphia to Norfolk, \$2, free loading and discharge.

TOBACCO still hampered by unsatisfactory transportation; trade is not active. A fair business, however, has been

done and it seems only a question of a little time when it will be more active. Prices are in the main steady. The high prices are, however, a powerful incentive to increase the acreage. No doubt it will be much larger than last year. Preparations for planting the next crop are actively under way.

COPPER steady; sentiment is more cheerful and predictions are being made by many traders that prices will go higher. And what is taken to be the first step in that direction, is the withdrawal by many sellers of any prices under 19c. Some dealers are quoting 19 1/2 to 19 1/4c. Workers are returning to the Butte Mines and good progress is reported in opening the lower levels. Electrolytic is officially quoted at 18.75@19c. Shipments are light owing to the railroad situation. And light ore and coal deliveries are also drawbacks. Tin lower and more active. The decline was attributed to lower cables and heavy arrivals; 58c. was quoted for spot tin. Lead steady but quiet at 8.90@9.25c. Zinc lower and active at 7.80@7.90c. spot St. Louis.

PIG IRON trade is hard hit by the railroad strike. Fuel and alloy shipments are badly delayed. Plants are shutting down daily on this account. Consumers' stocks are low at a time when they want a good deal of iron. Some look for higher prices. Export inquiries here are frequent. In general, if the iron can be moved it can be readily enough sold. The April output of pig iron dropped to 91,327 tons daily, as against an average in March of 109,900 tons. The output for April was 2,739,797 tons, against 3,375,907 tons in March.

STEEL trade awaits better railroad conditions. The renewal of the switchmen's and engineers' strike hits the trade rather hard. In some cases mills are operating at 50% or less of normal. The trouble is that fuel and raw materials are harder to get than ever. It is said that at Youngstown and Buffalo there is an increasing tendency to bank fires. It is there that the strike is felt most acutely. Meanwhile prices are largely nominal. Export trade has been brought almost to a standstill. But is should be noted that lower prices are quoted for delivery later in the year. Plates have been sold for the last half of 1920 at 3 cents Pittsburgh; shapes are more frequently quoted at 2.75 to 3.25c. Pittsburgh; bars, 2.75 to 3c. A Pittsburgh dispatch says that steel congestion there is very serious. Terminal yards are piled high with steel; mills suspensions there are increasing owing to the strikes.

COTTON

Friday Night, May 7 1920.

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 60,541 bales, against 67,967 bales last week and 103,524 bales the previous week, making the total receipts since Aug. 1 1919 6,371,225 bales, against 4,574,984 bales for the same period of 1918-19, showing an increase since Aug. 1 1919 of 1,796,241 bales.

	Sat.	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thurs.	Fri.	Total.
Galveston	2,959	2,476	2,957	2,802	3,993	1,605	16,792
Texas City	1,142	24	---	441	1,115	---	2,722
Port Arthur, &c.	---	---	---	---	---	107	107
New Orleans	728	5,022	806	3,584	5,107	1,222	16,469
Mobile	---	1,022	417	252	1	366	2,058
Pensacola	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
Jacksonville	---	---	---	---	---	63	63
Savannah	1,845	1,621	3,256	2,249	2,598	2,277	13,846
Brunswick	---	---	---	---	---	500	500
Charleston	932	131	977	117	110	112	2,379
Wilmington	75	---	425	---	83	---	583
Norfolk	587	640	440	267	290	480	2,704
New York News, &c	---	---	---	---	---	28	28
New York	---	---	210	---	---	---	210
Boston	---	273	30	129	622	181	1,235
Baltimore	---	---	---	---	---	279	279
Philadelphia	56	---	210	300	---	---	566
Totals this week.	8,324	11,209	9,728	10,141	13,919	7,220	60,541

The following shows the week's total receipts, the total since Aug. 1 1919 and the stocks to-night, compared with last year:

Receipts to May 7.	1919-20.		1918-19.		Stock.	
	This Week.	Since Aug 1 1919.	This Week.	Since Aug 1 1918.	1920.	1919.
Galveston	16,792	2,034,461	39,226	1,544,049	220,620	203,128
Texas City	2,722	331,650	1,435	65,808	56,792	13,417
Aransas Pass	---	1,801	---	---	---	---
Port Arthur, &c.	107	92,386	---	53,527	---	---
New Orleans	16,469	1,203,666	26,993	1,253,617	337,413	393,493
Mobile	2,058	253,977	1,597	132,258	5,150	15,427
Pensacola	---	15,795	---	9,812	---	---
Jacksonville	63	13,832	97	20,906	6,391	11,550
Savannah	13,846	1,215,609	16,153	846,859	112,442	203,995
Brunswick	500	156,737	3,000	68,680	10,700	1,000
Charleston	2,379	414,880	4,714	158,266	223,279	57,700
Wilmington	583	142,205	1,231	97,145	44,356	59,419
Norfolk	2,704	326,946	8,727	271,535	68,266	129,509
New York News, &c.	28	4,220	---	3,015	---	---
New York	210	18,317	34	7,450	40,362	97,763
Boston	1,235	40,208	831	24,259	4,568	12,103
Baltimore	269	85,340	192	17,679	8,582	6,531
Philadelphia	566	19,195	---	90	6,111	3,411
Totals	60,541	6,371,225	104,230	4,574,984	1,147,304	1,208,246

In order that comparison may be made with other years, we give below the totals at leading ports for six seasons:



Receipts at—	1920.	1919.	1918.	1917.	1916.	1915.
Galveston.....	16,792	39,226	4,534	22,297	20,237	44,383
Texas City, &c.	2,829	1,435	2,146	6,059	186	4,255
New Orleans.....	16,469	26,993	24,405	23,117	19,219	15,824
Mobile.....	2,058	1,597	317	1,387	5,696	900
Savannah.....	13,846	16,153	13,723	4,634	10,534	8,229
Brunswick.....	500	3,000	---	2,000	500	4,000
Charleston, &c.	2,379	4,714	1,689	181	4,836	2,103
Wilmington.....	583	1,231	453	279	5,525	1,924
Norfolk.....	2,704	8,727	2,560	5,696	11,174	5,041
N'port N., &c.	28	---	---	168	204	2,607
All others.....	2,353	1,554	6,886	4,901	3,970	5,191
<b>Tot. this week</b>	<b>60,541</b>	<b>104,230</b>	<b>56,713</b>	<b>70,719</b>	<b>83,081</b>	<b>94,412</b>
Since Aug. 1...	6,371,225	4,574,984	5,279,268	6,249,308	6,418,531	9,929,162

The exports for the week ending this evening reach a total of 71,477 bales, of which 10,576 were to Great Britain, --- to France and 60,901 to other destinations. Exports for the week and since Aug. 1 1919 are as follows:

Exports from—	Week ending May 7 1920. Exported to—				From Aug. 1 1919 to May 7 1920. Exported to—			
	Great Britain.	France.	Other.	Total.	Great Britain.	France.	Other.	Total.
Galveston.....	---	---	14,644	14,644	1,288,025	97,300	408,834	1,774,159
Texas City.....	---	---	---	---	195,607	20,934	---	216,541
Houston.....	---	---	---	---	70,284	---	---	70,284
Pt. Nogales.....	---	---	---	---	---	---	13	13
El Paso.....	---	---	---	---	---	---	259	259
New Orleans.....	9,194	4,638	13,832	437,010	116,724	610,283	1,164,017	
Mobile.....	404	---	404	88,645	24,614	5,197	118,456	
Pensacola.....	---	---	---	19,013	---	---	19,013	
Jacksonville.....	---	---	---	21,614	---	---	100	21,714
Savannah.....	---	28,705	28,705	290,574	198,826	593,059	1,082,459	
Brunswick.....	---	---	---	166,408	---	---	166,408	
Charleston.....	---	1,750	1,750	90,162	19,149	24,476	133,787	
Wilmington.....	---	11,104	11,104	29,363	16,847	107,582	153,792	
Norfolk.....	---	---	---	105,127	2,350	41,333	148,810	
New York.....	---	60	60	14,754	17,098	139,986	171,838	
Boston.....	453	---	453	8,844	403	3,702	12,949	
Baltimore.....	---	---	---	4,589	590	1,400	6,489	
Philadelphia.....	525	---	525	21,930	400	5,290	27,626	
Providence.....	---	---	---	735	---	---	735	
San Fran.....	---	---	---	---	---	100,181	100,181	
Los Angeles.....	---	---	---	3,202	---	---	929	
Seattle.....	---	---	---	---	---	---	4,131	
Tacoma.....	---	---	---	---	---	---	239,105	
Portl'd, Ore.....	---	---	---	---	---	---	45,746	
<b>Total.....</b>	<b>10,576</b>	<b>60,901</b>	<b>71,477</b>	<b>2,835,526</b>	<b>515,145</b>	<b>2,364,140</b>	<b>5,714,811</b>	
Total '18-'19	53,789	101,607	155,396	1,829,528	621,097	1,643,631	4,094,266	
Total '17-'18	14,907	22,130	34,224	71,261	1,963,004	516,465	1,109,120	3,588,589

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.

May 7 at—	On Shipboard, Not Cleared for—						Leaving Stock.
	Great Britain.	France.	Germany.	Other Cont'l.	Coast-wise.	Total.	
Galveston.....	16,601	---	---	233,170	10,500	60,271	160,349
New Orleans.....	10,541	821	7,501	25,470	84	44,417	292,996
Savannah.....	8,000	7,000	10,000	2,000	3,000	30,000	82,442
Charleston.....	---	---	---	---	1,000	1,000	227,279
Mobile.....	1,382	300	---	---	---	1,682	3,468
Norfolk.....	---	---	---	---	400	400	67,868
New York*.....	1,000	---	---	2,000	---	3,000	37,362
Other ports*.....	13,000	---	---	4,000	---	17,000	117,770
<b>Total 1920.....</b>	<b>50,524</b>	<b>8,121</b>	<b>9,501</b>	<b>74,640</b>	<b>14,984</b>	<b>157,770</b>	<b>989,534</b>
Total 1919.....	37,727	10,000	---	9,574	5,574	62,875	1,145,371
Total 1918.....	17,750	3,500	---	17,179	14,100	52,529	1,295,292

\* Including 11,655 bales for Japan. \* Estimated.

Speculation in cotton for future delivery has not been active, but what the market has lacked in activity it has made up in strength. The trade has been a persistent buyer at rising prices. This is one of the outstanding facts of the week. Besides, the weather in the eastern belt has not been by any means favorable. It has been too wet in the Atlantic States and also in the eastern gulf section. Georgia, Mississippi and Alabama have at times had heavy downpours. Also the big Memphis district has had, if anything, too much rain. Certainly this has been the impression of many. And there is also an idea that southern Texas has not got quite so much rain as is needed. It is true also that the Government weekly report on the 5th inst. was not so favorable as had been expected. In Texas germination and stands of early cotton were mostly poor. In Georgia too the stands are not good and the growth is slow. In Alabama stands of early cotton are irregular although mostly fairly good. In Louisiana low temperatures followed by rains were unfavorable features. Arkansas reports poor stands in many places. In North Carolina recent weather was too cool for satisfactory germination of the seed and for growth.

And as regards acreage the drift of the figures during the week has been toward a smaller increase than was expected about a month ago. Then some people are talking tentatively of 8 to 10%. Even now, of course, nobody as yet really knows anything about the matter. And it will be a long time before they will. The amount of unspinnable cotton in the country is reported according to Washington despatches at 1,200,769, including 1,039,003 bales of lint, of which 288,253 bales are in consuming establishments, 417,829 bales in public storage and compresses, 268,441 bales in oil mills and 65,000 bales elsewhere. Also 150,000 bales of bollies and 41,256 bales of ginned cut perishable staple. Meanwhile the general belief is that a crop of at least 14,000,000 bales is needed with the outlook at present rather dubious as to the likelihood of its being raised. Conservative people would be glad to see a much larger crop than this as something that would facilitate the return of trade conditions to something like normal. But at the

present stage of the season at least most people think that this is entirely out of the question.

Liverpool has been a good buyer at times. And other foreign interests are said to have bought to a certain extent. The strong feature, however, has been the new crop. The old crop has lagged—it has not been so much wanted. Besides it is already at a big premium. And there is more or less talk of the likelihood of rather large deliveries on May contracts. It is said that a steamer has been chartered at New York to go to Savannah and load 10,000 bales for this market. Memphis is said to be shipping cotton to Savannah for this purpose. May having lagged behind it is not believed to be high enough to attract any great amount of cotton just now. But it may be that shorts in May are taking precautions against the experience which shorts in March had to undergo. The Lancashire strike is reported to have been settled.

On the other hand, very many feel that cotton is high enough and, in fact, too high. Cotton goods have been dull and in some cases weaker. Certain silk goods are said to be much lower than a few weeks ago. Raw silk has recently declined very sharply, coincident with the Japanese panic. In some cases it dropped 50% as compared with three months ago in New York. Money is tight in Japan; exports of yarns are now permitted from that country. As for wool, only the better grades are wanted. The strikes at New Bedford will naturally curtail the output of cotton goods. At one time Japanese interests were believed to be large sellers here of July and October. Some reports say that the outlook in Texas is better than it was recently. Texas has certainly had beneficial rains in some parts of that State, notably in the central and northern sections. Recent rains in Louisiana seem to be on the whole beneficial. And at times the temperatures in Texas have been high. These, with rains seemed to mean forcing weather for the plant there. Texas has plenty of sub-soil moisture and has had plenty of sub-soil moisture and has had for some time past. What it needed was surface moisture, and this it has of late been getting, though the southern part of the State could no doubt stand more.

The view is taken by not a few that there is still plenty of time for the crop as a whole to catch up. Meantime there is believed to be a tendency towards trade reaction in this country. Governor Harding of the Federal Reserve Board has been quoted as intimating that caution would be advisable during the next six months. At times the stock market has been more or less irregular and depressed. The poor service on the railroads hurts general trade, including the iron and steel business. This is apt to be taken as a barometer of American business. And many believe that the tendency is towards deflation. The people are tired of high prices. To-day cotton fell owing to good rains in Texas, less rain in the Eastern belt, rumors of lower prices for cotton goods and of cancellations, and a decline in stocks. Also, Paterson, N. J., silk mill owners reduced wages 2½ cents per yard of output in response to a demand for higher wages and threatened to close their mills if the reduction is not accepted. Liverpool and spot houses sold and there was scattered liquidation. May notices too for 1,100 bales were issued and they were not without their effect. An early and temporary advance was due to higher Liverpool prices, reports that the Lancashire strike had been settled, a noticeable demand for July at an increased premium over October and covering of shorts. Liverpool and spot houses bought July. Prices ended lower on the old crop and higher on the new. Spot cotton closed at 41.10c. a decline for the week of 15 points.

The official quotation for middling upland cotton in the New York market each day for the past week has been:

May 1 to May 7—	Sat.	Mon.	Tue.	Wed.	Thurs.	Fri.
Middling uplands.....	Hol.	41.45	41.60	41.75	41.50	41.10

FUTURES.—The highest, lowest and closing prices at New York for the past week have been as follows:

	Saturday, May 1.	Monday, May 3.	Tuesday, May 4.	Wed'day, May 5.	Thurs'day, May 6.	Friday, May 7.	Week.
<b>May—</b>							
Range.....	40.25-60	40.10-65	40.60-80	40.50-90	40.10-70	40.10-90	
Closing.....	40.45	40.58	40.70	40.50-85	40.10	---	
<b>June—</b>							
Range.....	39.35	39.55	39.70	39.45	39.10	---	
Closing.....	---	---	---	---	---	---	
<b>July—</b>							
Range.....	38.00-45	37.83-45	38.33-60	38.22-73	38.03-60	37.83-73	
Closing.....	38.20-23	38.36-38	38.47-51	38.23-30	38.03-10	---	
<b>August—</b>							
Range.....	37.10	37.25	37.47	37.55-60	---	37.55-60	
Closing.....	---	---	---	---	---	---	
<b>September—</b>							
Range.....	36.20	36.40	36.85	37.00	36.35	---	
Closing.....	---	---	---	---	---	---	
<b>October—</b>							
Range.....	35.52-00	35.40-08	35.90-40	36.46-80	35.85-83	35.40-80	
Closing.....	35.70-73	35.88-92	36.35-38	36.51-53	35.85-90	---	
<b>November—</b>							
Range.....	35.20	35.40	35.85	35.95	35.30	---	
Closing.....	---	---	---	---	---	---	
<b>December—</b>							
Range.....	34.80-20	34.70-20	35.15-60	35.65-98	34.98-95	34.70-98	
Closing.....	34.95-97	35.13-15	35.59-60	35.68	34.98-10	---	
<b>January—</b>							
Range.....	34.40-75	34.18-68	34.63-10	35.10-48	34.50-35	34.18-48	
Closing.....	34.50	34.57	35.10	35.12-15	34.50	---	
<b>February—</b>							
Range.....	34.20	34.20	34.75	---	34.79	34.79	
Closing.....	---	---	---	---	34.15	---	
<b>March—</b>							
Range.....	33.77-10	33.57-00	33.92-45	34.53-88	33.88-45	33.57-88	
Closing.....	33.88-90	33.85	34.42-43	34.60	33.88-90	---	

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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.

May 7—	1920.	1919.	1918.	1917.
Stock at Liverpool.....bales.	1,199,000	553,000	332,000	607,000
Stock at London.....	11,000	12,000	22,000	24,000
Stock at Manchester.....	175,000	81,000	48,000	53,000
<b>Total Great Britain.....</b>	<b>1,385,000</b>	<b>646,000</b>	<b>402,000</b>	<b>684,000</b>
Stock at Hamburg.....	61,000	—	—	*1,000
Stock at Bremen.....	341,000	201,000	149,000	224,000
Stock at Havre.....	7,000	7,000	1,000	7,000
Stock at Marseilles.....	70,000	86,000	10,000	88,000
Stock at Barcelona.....	167,000	70,000	4,000	29,000
Stock at Genoa.....	—	—	—	*1,000
Stock at Trieste.....	—	—	—	—
<b>Total Continental stocks.....</b>	<b>639,000</b>	<b>364,000</b>	<b>164,000</b>	<b>351,000</b>
<b>Total European stocks.....</b>	<b>2,024,000</b>	<b>1,010,000</b>	<b>566,000</b>	<b>1,035,000</b>
India cotton afloat for Europe.....	111,000	27,000	35,000	59,000
Amer. cotton afloat for Europe.....	374,741	297,124	132,000	231,000
Egypt, Brazil, &c., afloat for Eur.....	57,000	31,000	94,000	36,000
Stock in Alexandria, Egypt.....	118,000	365,000	302,000	127,000
Stock in Bombay, India.....	1,150,000	967,000	*640,000	902,000
Stock in U. S. ports.....	1,147,304	1,208,246	1,347,821	936,468
Stock in U. S. interior towns.....	1,130,441	1,397,201	1,065,189	877,537
U. S. exports to-day.....	16,394	48,914	19,435	15,071
<b>Total visible supply.....</b>	<b>6,128,880</b>	<b>5,351,485</b>	<b>4,201,445</b>	<b>4,219,076</b>

Of the above, totals of American and other descriptions are as follows:

American—	1920.	1919.	1918.	1917.
Liverpool stock.....bales.	1926,000	356,000	189,000	484,000
Manchester stock.....	155,000	46,000	16,000	44,000
Continental stock.....	538,000	332,000	*138,000	*291,000
American afloat for Europe.....	374,741	297,124	132,000	231,000
U. S. port stocks.....	1,147,304	1,208,246	1,347,821	936,468
U. S. interior stocks.....	1,130,441	1,397,201	1,065,189	877,537
U. S. exports to-day.....	16,394	48,914	19,435	15,071
<b>Total American.....</b>	<b>4,287,880</b>	<b>3,685,485</b>	<b>2,907,445</b>	<b>2,878,076</b>
<b>East India, Brazil, &amp;c.—</b>	<b>1,841,000</b>	<b>1,666,000</b>	<b>1,294,000</b>	<b>1,341,000</b>
Liverpool stock.....	1273,000	197,000	143,000	123,000
London stock.....	11,000	12,000	22,000	24,000
Manchester stock.....	20,000	35,000	32,000	9,000
Continental stock.....	101,000	32,000	*28,000	*61,000
India afloat for Europe.....	111,000	27,000	35,000	59,000
Egypt, Brazil, &c., afloat.....	57,000	31,000	94,000	36,000
Stock in Alexandria, Egypt.....	118,000	365,000	302,000	127,000
Stock in Bombay, India.....	1,150,000	967,000	*640,000	902,000
<b>Total East India, &amp;c.....</b>	<b>1,841,000</b>	<b>1,666,000</b>	<b>1,294,000</b>	<b>1,341,000</b>
<b>Total American.....</b>	<b>4,287,880</b>	<b>3,685,485</b>	<b>2,907,445</b>	<b>2,878,076</b>

Total visible supply.....	1920.	1919.	1918.	1917.
Middling uplands, Liverpool.....	6,128,880	5,351,485	4,201,445	4,219,076
Middling uplands, New York.....	26,63d.	17,19d.	21,55d.	21,80d.
Egypt, good sakes, Liverpool.....	41.10c.	29.10c.	28.15c.	29.00c.
Peruvian, rough good, Liverpool.....	89.50d.	30.08d.	31.97d.	29.85d.
Broach, fine, Liverpool.....	50.00d.	29.75d.	39.00d.	20.75d.
Tinnevely, good, Liverpool.....	22.10d.	16.00d.	20.80d.	12.00d.
Tinnevely, good, Liverpool.....	23.10d.	16.25d.	21.06d.	12.58d.

\* Estimated.  
† Liverpool stock recount.

Continental imports for past week have been 90,000 bales. The above figures for 1920 show an increase over last week of 1,071 bales, a gain of 1,777,395 bales over 1919, an excess of 1,927,435 bales over 1918 and a gain of 1,909,804 bales over 1917.

AT THE INTERIOR TOWNS.

Towns.	Movement to May 7 1919.			Movement to May 9 1918.		
	Receipts.		Shtp-ments. May 7.	Receipts.		Shtp-ments. May 9.
	Week.	Season.		Week.	Season.	
Ala., Eufaula.....	9	5,852	180	1,658	24	4,520
Montgomery.....	07	70,662	204	7,074	251	61,460
Selma.....	70	35,393	42	3,840	420	58,680
Ark., Helena.....	24	31,299	548	4,765	50	36,901
Little Rock.....	468	184,263	3,189	34,921	1,978	155,362
Pine Bluff.....	—	78,954	—	31,700	1,928	126,741
Ge., Albany.....	—	9,680	—	1,122	75	10,564
Athens.....	1,345	152,799	2,500	31,114	1,987	122,371
Atlanta.....	3,751	252,264	5,904	25,070	6,000	196,471
Augusta.....	6,929	518,187	8,206	101,034	12,421	390,679
Columbus.....	—	34,201	50	5,004	45	61,765
Macon.....	1,030	210,353	3,521	21,793	3,840	188,235
Rome.....	209	53,973	409	11,340	400	46,100
La., Shreveport.....	457	75,740	1,145	28,154	1,723	117,887
Miss., Columbus.....	—	17,214	—	1,700	319	19,219
Clarksdale.....	1,163	137,591	2,146	44,308	488	128,744
Greenwood.....	700	108,107	2,100	23,400	700	129,067
Meridian.....	100	35,646	185	2,800	525	38,624
Natchez.....	20	25,872	53	3,800	208	42,077
Vicksburg.....	—	18,013	—	7,400	—	33,519
Yazoo City.....	—	32,921	—	603	—	29,341
Mo., St. Louis.....	1,895	673,296	1,097	16,267	9,876	149,633
N.C., Crnsboro.....	200	48,127	300	7,900	1,000	42,034
Raleigh.....	82	13,039	200	288	845	7,800
O., Cincinnati.....	1,500	58,400	1,000	21,500	2,409	125,075
Okl., Ardmore.....	—	—	—	—	—	—
Chickasha.....	—	11,620	—	10,397	200	44,117
Hugo.....	—	24,787	—	3,000	5	27,125
Oklahoma.....	—	37,089	—	6,247	—	34,408
S.C., Greenville.....	1,786	134,785	3,413	24,575	2,676	83,164
Greenwood.....	—	15,104	—	491	—	13,769
Tenn., Memphis.....	16,129	1,093,603	17,891	330,835	17,007	817,496
Nashville.....	—	1,483	—	1,038	—	1,268
Tex., Abilene.....	493	56,897	920	2,765	—	7,233
Brenham.....	—	6,689	—	1,906	100	17,463
Clarksville.....	—	38,125	—	5,184	695	45,050
Dallas.....	400	77,629	616	20,500	877	83,582
Honey Grove.....	—	31,076	—	4,000	—	28,576
Houston.....	17,345	1,904,587	20,379	259,617	30,189	1,641,839
Paris.....	700	119,125	900	12,300	2,664	116,663
San Antonio.....	—	40,639	—	1,071	—	39,403
<b>Total, 41 towns.....</b>	<b>56,862</b>	<b>6,478,083</b>	<b>78,557</b>	<b>1,130,441</b>	<b>102,732</b>	<b>5,671,967</b>

MARKET AND SALES AT NEW YORK.

	Spot. Market Closed.	Futures. Market Closed.	SALES.		
			Spot.	Contr't.	Total.
Saturday.....	Steady, 20 pts. adv.	HOLI DAY	—	—	—
Monday.....	Quiet, 15 pts. adv.	Steady	—	2,200	2,200
Tuesday.....	Quiet, 15 pts. adv.	Steady	—	700	700
Wednesday.....	Quiet, 25 pts. dec.	Very steady	—	—	—
Thursday.....	Quiet, 25 pts. dec.	Steady	—	1,000	1,000
Friday.....	Quiet, 40 pts. dec.	Easy	—	—	—
<b>Total.....</b>				<b>3,900</b>	<b>3,900</b>

OVERLAND MOVEMENT FOR THE WEEK AND SINCE AUG. 1.

May 7—	1919-20		1918-19		
	Shipped—	Week.	Since Aug. 1.	Week.	Since Aug. 1.
Via St. Louis.....	1,097	672,338	1,097	672,338	1,097
Via Mounds, &c.....	8,987	380,747	8,987	380,747	8,987
Via Rock Island.....	230	19,729	230	19,729	230
Via Louisville.....	395	99,055	395	99,055	395
Via Cincinnati.....	200	25,013	200	25,013	200
Via Virginia points.....	2,641	193,420	2,641	193,420	2,641
Via other routes, &c.....	11,218	377,359	11,218	377,359	11,218
<b>Total gross overland.....</b>	<b>24,769</b>	<b>1,767,661</b>	<b>24,769</b>	<b>1,767,661</b>	<b>24,769</b>
<b>Deduct Shipments—</b>					
Overland to N. Y., Boston, &c.....	2,290	163,060	2,290	163,060	2,290
Between interior towns.....	564	65,291	564	65,291	564
Inland, &c., from South.....	2,236	221,476	2,236	221,476	2,236
<b>Total to be deducted.....</b>	<b>5,090</b>	<b>449,827</b>	<b>5,090</b>	<b>449,827</b>	<b>5,090</b>
<b>Leaving total net overland *.....</b>	<b>19,678</b>	<b>1,317,834</b>	<b>19,678</b>	<b>1,317,834</b>	<b>19,678</b>

\* Including movement by rail to Canada.

The foregoing shows the week's net overland movement has been 19,678 bales, against 35,790 bales for the week last year, and that for the season to date the aggregate net overland exhibits a decrease from a year ago of 262,081 bales.

In Sight and Spinners' Takings.	1919-20		1918-19	
	Week.	Since Aug. 1.	Week.	Since Aug. 1.
Receipts at ports to May 7.....	60,541	6,371,225	104,230	4,574,984
Net overland to May 7.....	19,678	1,317,834	35,790	1,579,915
Southern consumption to May 7.....	73,000	2,818,000	67,000	2,805,000
<b>Total marketed.....</b>	<b>153,219</b>	<b>10,507,059</b>	<b>197,020</b>	<b>8,959,899</b>
<b>Interior stocks in excess.....</b>	<b>*21,695</b>	<b>328,394</b>	<b>19,803</b>	<b>700,585</b>
<b>Came into sight during week.....</b>	<b>131,524</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>177,217</b>	<b>—</b>
<b>Total in sight May 7.....</b>	<b>10,835,453</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>9,660,484</b>	<b>—</b>
<b>Nor. spinners' takings to May 7.....</b>	<b>46,242</b>	<b>2,469,496</b>	<b>17,893</b>	<b>1,673,125</b>

\* Decrease during week. a These figures are consumption; takings not available.

Movement into sight in previous years:

Week—	Bales.	Since Aug. 1—	Bales.
1918—May 10.....	140,198	1917—May 10.....	10,742,142
1911—May 11.....	120,178	1916—May 11.....	11,642,662
1916—May 12.....	147,892	1915—May 12.....	11,100,343

QUOTATIONS FOR MIDDLING COTTON AT OTHER MARKETS.

Week ending May 7.	Closing Quotations for Middling Cotton on—					
	Saturday.	Monday.	Tuesday.	Wed' day.	Thurs'd'y.	Friday.
Galveston.....	42.00	42.00	42.00	42.00	42.00	42.00
New Orleans.....	41.00	41.00	40.75	40.25	40.25	40.25
Mobile.....	40.50	40.50	40.50	40.50	40.50	40.50
Savannah.....	41.00	41.00	41.00	41.25	41.50	41.50
Charleston.....	40.50	40.50	40.50	40.50	40.50	40.50
Norfolk.....	40.50	40.50	40.50	40.50	40.50	40.50
Baltimore.....	41.50	41.50	41.50	41.50	41.50	41.50
Philadelphia.....	41.50	41.75	41.85	42.00	41.75	41.35
Augusta.....	40.88	40.88	40.88	40.88	41.00	40.88
Memphis.....	42.00	42.00	42.00	42.00	42.00	42.00
St. Louis.....	41.70	41.70	41.70	41.70	41.50	41.50
Houston.....	41.25	41.25	41.25	41.20	41.25	41.25



	Rain.	Rainfall.	Thermometer		
Little Rock	4 days	0.60 in.	high 84	low 60	mean 72
Marianna	4 days	0.85 in.	high 86	low 56	mean 71
Alexandria, La	dry	-----	high 92	low 68	mean 80
Anlice	-----	-----	high 93	low 65	mean 79
New Orleans	1 day	0.12 in.	-----	-----	mean 78
Shreveport	3 days	1.33 in.	high 88	low 62	mean 75
Columbus, Miss	4 days	1.95 in.	high 89	low 61	mean 75
Greenwood	3 days	1.24 in.	high 89	low 60	mean 75
Okalona	4 days	1.24 in.	high 86	low 59	mean 73
Vicksburg	2 days	0.95 in.	high 84	low 64	mean 74
Mobile, Ala.	Satisfactory progress is being made on uplands. Cotton has sustained no serious damage from hallooms and heavy rains up State, but bottoms are covered.				
Decatur	4 days	0.95 in.	high 88	low 61	mean 75
Montgomery	3 days	1.03 in.	high 87	low 58	mean 72
Selma	4 days	0.87 in.	high 85	low 61	mean 73
Gainesville, Fla	3 days	1.15 in.	high 85	low 57	mean 69
Madison	3 days	0.49 in.	high 90	low 51	mean 71
Savannah, Ga	3 days	0.94 in.	high 90	low 62	mean 76
Athens, Ga	3 days	1.20 in.	high 89	low 58	mean 71
Augusta	3 days	0.98 in.	high 89	low 48	mean 69
Columbus	3 days	0.59 in.	high 88	low 54	mean 71
Charleston, S. C	2 days	1.59 in.	high 89	low 64	mean 72
Greenwood	2 days	0.14 in.	high 88	low 58	mean 73
Columbia	1 day	0.16 in.	high 86	low 47	mean 67
Conway	1 day	0.03 in.	high 84	low 48	mean 66
Charlotte, N. C	1 day	0.18 in.	high 84	low 45	mean 65
Newbern	3 days	0.11 in.	high 80	low 45	mean 63
Weldon	2 days	0.14 in.	high 82	low 41	mean 62
Dyersburg, Tenn	dry	-----	high 83	low 34	mean 59
Memphis	2 days	1.15 in.	high 80	low 52	mean 66
	3 days	2.22 in.	high 80	low 55	mean 68

WORLD'S SUPPLY AND TAKINGS OF COTTON.

Cotton Takings. Week and Season.	1919-20.		1918-19.	
	Week.	Season.	Week.	Season.
Visible supply April 30	6,127,809	4,792,018	5,332,920	3,027,455
Visible supply Aug. 1	131,524	10,835,453	177,217	9,662,824
American in sight to May 7	6145,000	2,764,000	68,000	1,912,000
Bombay receipts to May 6	65,000	128,000	6,000	77,000
Other India shipp'ts to May 6	62,000	748,000	2,000	624,000
Alexandria receipts to May 5	610,000	188,000	2,000	161,000
Other supply to May 5*				
Total supply	6,421,333	19,455,471	5,588,137	15,461,934
Deduct				
Visible supply May 7	6,128,880	6,128,880	5,351,485	5,351,485
Total takings to May 7.a	292,453	13,326,591	236,652	10,110,449
Of which American	158,453	9,738,591	169,652	7,921,449
Of which other	134,000	3,588,000	67,000	2,189,000

\* Embraces receipts in Europe from Brazil, Smyrna, West Indies, &c.  
 a This total includes the estimated consumption by Southern mills, 2,818,000 bales in 1919-20 and 2,805,000 bales in 1918-19—takings not being available—and the aggregate amounts taken by Northern and foreign spinners, 10,508,591 bales in 1919-20 and 7,305,449 bales in 1918-19, of which 6,920,591 bales and 5,116,449 bales American. b Estimated.

MANCHESTER MARKET.—Our report received by cable to-night from Manchester states that the market is quiet and weakening with no signs of any improvement.

	1920.				1919.			
	32s Cop Twist.	8 1/4 lb. Shrtngs, Common to Finest.	Cot'n Mid. Up's		32s Cop Twist.	8 1/4 lb. Shrtngs, Common to Finest.	Cot'n Mid. Up's	
Mar. 12	61 @ 76 1/2	42 6 @ 46 0	28.65 26 1/2	@ 28 1/2	16 9 @ 24 0	15.36		
19	70 @ 87	42 6 @ 46 0	28.80 25	@ 27	16 6 @ 23 6	15.32		
26	60 @ 78	42 6 @ 46 0	28.38 24 1/2	@ 26 1/2	16 6 @ 23 0	15.78		
Apr. 2	59 1/2 @ 76	42 6 @ 46 0	27.76 25	@ 27	16 6 @ 23 0	15.24		
9	60 @ 77	42 6 @ 46 0	28.03 26 1/2	@ 28 1/2	17 0 @ 23 3	16.88		
16	60 @ 77	42 6 @ 46 0	27.66 26 1/2	@ 28 1/2	17 0 @ 23 3	18.20		
23	60 @ 77	42 6 @ 46 0	26.18 27 1/2	@ 29 1/2	18 0 @ 23 9	18.53		
30	60 @ 77	42 6 @ 46 0	25.83 27 1/2	@ 29 1/2	18 4 @ 24 4	17.29		
May 7	55 @ 76	42 6 @ 46 0	26.63 28 1/2	@ 30 1/2	18 6 @ 24 3	17.19		

SHIPPING NEWS.—Shipments in detail:

	Total bales.
NEW YORK—To Antwerp—May 1—Navarino, 60	60
GALVESTON—To Bremen—May 6—Cuttyhunk, 11,657	11,657
To Genoa—May 6—Sestri, 2,987	2,987
NEW ORLEANS—To Liverpool—May 1—Hanover, 8,639	8,639
To Belfast—April 30—Rathlin Head, 555	555
To Venice—May 4—Burma, 4,553	4,553
To Trieste—May 4—Burma, 75	75
To Havana—May 6—Lake Fisher, 10	10
MOBILE—To Liverpool—May 5—Kerhouson, 404	404
SAVANNAH—To Bremen—April 30—Mar Caspio, 9,162	9,162
To Hamburg—April 30—Mar Caspio, 250	250
To Barcelona—May 1—Virginia Bridge, 8,779	10,764
CHARLESTON—To Barcelona—May 5—Virginia Bridge, 1,750	8,779
WILMINGTON—To Bremen—May 1—Mosico, 11,104	11,104
BOSTON—To Manchester—April 13—Monmouth, 453	453
PHILADELPHIA—To Manchester—April 12—Manchester Shipper, 225	525
225—May 3—River Araxes, 300	
Total	71,477

LIVERPOOL.—Sales, stocks, &c., for past week:

	April 16.	April 23.	April 30.	May 7.
Sales of the stock	19,000	17,000	18,000	21,000
Of which speculators took	-----	-----	-----	-----
Of which exporters took	-----	-----	-----	-----
Sales, American	15,000	12,000	14,000	18,000
Actual export	10,000	6,000	8,000	6,000
Forwarded	78,000	74,000	80,000	63,000
Total stock	1,134,000	1,132,000	1,133,000	1,199,000
Of which American	911,000	902,000	916,000	926,000
Total imports for the week	113,000	86,000	82,000	47,000
Of which American	82,000	50,000	69,000	19,000
Amount afloat	286,000	258,000	230,000	-----
Of which American	204,000	179,000	143,000	-----

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:

Spot.	Saturday.	Monday.	Tuesday.	Wednesday.	Thursday.	Friday.
Market, 12:15 P. M.		Quiet.	Dull.	Hardening tendency.	More demand.	Quiet.
Mid. Up'ds		25.81	25.80	25.88	26.34	26.63
Sales		4,000	2,000	3,000	4,000	4,000
Futures. Market opened	HOLIDAY	Quiet 6 pts. dec. to 4 pts. adv.	Quiet 5 pts. dec. to 2 pts. adv.	Quiet 4 @ 15 pts. advance.	Steady 14 @ 22 pts. advance.	Quiet, 7 @ 14 pts. decline.
Market, 4 P. M.		Steady 4 @ 54 pts. advance.	Quiet 14 @ 33 pts. decline.	St'y unch. to 32 pts. advance.	Steady 17 @ 26 pts. advance.	Barely st'y, 3 @ 27 pts. decline.

The prices of futures at Liverpool for each day are given below:

May 1 to May 7.	Sat.		Mon.		Tues.		Wed.		Thurs.		Fri.	
	12 1/2 p. m.	12 1/2 p. m.	12 1/2 p. m.	4 p. m.	12 1/2 p. m.	4 p. m.	12 1/2 p. m.	4 p. m.	12 1/2 p. m.	4 p. m.	12 1/2 p. m.	4 p. m.
May	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.
June	25.06	25.30	25.05	25.13	25.13	25.43	25.59	25.69	25.88	25.66	25.88	25.43
July	24.99	25.12	24.89	24.95	24.97	25.27	25.37	25.44	25.48	25.26	25.48	25.26
August	24.81	24.92	24.74	24.78	24.76	25.01	25.12	25.18	25.20	25.01	25.20	25.01
September	24.55	24.65	24.36	24.31	24.35	24.59	24.74	24.80	24.82	24.64	24.82	24.64
October	24.30	24.44	24.11	24.06	24.00	24.19	24.36	24.41	24.41	24.25	24.41	24.25
November	24.00	24.14	23.80	23.77	23.68	23.85	24.03	24.10	24.08	23.90	24.08	23.90
December	23.70	23.78	23.47	23.46	23.36	23.52	23.70	23.77	23.75	23.51	23.75	23.51
January	23.60	23.68	23.32	23.30	23.20	23.35	23.52	23.57	23.55	23.35	23.55	23.35
February	23.45	23.50	23.15	23.12	23.03	23.15	23.34	23.40	23.37	23.16	23.37	23.16
March	23.30	23.33	23.00	22.97	22.85	22.98	23.17	23.23	23.19	22.97	23.19	22.97
April	23.15	23.15	22.86	22.83	22.70	22.83	23.02	23.08	23.03	22.81	23.08	22.81

BREADSTUFFS

Friday Night, May 7 1920.

Flour has been firm and at times there has been a demand for export. Where clears, which were most wanted, could not be had, being scarce, the better grades, it is said, were not altogether ignored. Exporters enlarged their price limits somewhat. Government soft wheat straights have been in some demand. They have had scant attention heretofore. And the domestic demand generally has been small, owing mainly to the poor transportation facilities. For rye flour, however, there has been a good demand reported from the Norwegian Government. Recently it bought 75,000 bbls. of rye flour and, it appears, bid on 30,000 bbls. or more later. They have also, it appears, bought considerable rye grain. But some are cautious. They were impressed, for one thing, by the fact that Mr. Barnes has called a meeting of the grain and flour interests at Chicago for May 7, when the question of resuming open trading in wheat will be considered. Flour prices have been braced by rising and even high record prices for wheat. The "Northwestern Miller" says patent flour now averages from \$13 per bbl. for soft winters to \$15 50 for springs. Cash wheat was selling at \$2 90 to \$3 35 per bushel, later it advanced 5 to 10c.

Wheat advanced sharply with a good export demand. Business has been restricted here by the smallness of the New York supply. Sales were made early in the week of No. 2 winter here at \$3.03 @ \$3.11 on track and at the Gulf at \$3.12 f. o. b. The visible supply in the United States decreased 185,000 bushels against 11,821,000 in the same week last year. The total is now 42,784,000 bushels against 49,302,000 a year ago. James A. Patten of Chicago says that the world faces a serious food shortage, and he favors keeping the wheat market closed to speculation until July 1 1921. Some others owing to bad crop news are opposed to reopening the wheat market to unrestricted trading. Yet others, and they are not a few, believe in taking off restrictions and leaving the whole thing to the law of supply and demand as in the end the best corrective. Later in the week No. 2 winter was reported up to \$3.14 on track here and \$3.18 f. o. b. Gulf with a steady demand for export. Still later \$3.20 it appears was paid f. o. b. Gulf. At the Northwest prices have advanced latterly 5 @ 10c. To-day Western an d Gulf prices advanced 4 @ 7c. Export business was done at \$3 25 f. o. b. Gulf.

The Cincinnati "Price Current" says: "Private reports from correspondents were incomplete because of the irregular mail service. Reports received, however, from Illinois, Missouri, Iowa, Minnesota and Nebraska indicate that the soil condition is now too wet in most localities and that the general crop season is from ten to twenty days late; also that seeding of oats is being done with considerable difficulty on account of the wet condition of the soil. Despite the fact that heavy exports threaten to exhaust the surplus wheat supply before a new crop is ready, the Argentine Government does not expect to limit or prohibit exportation. The new high record price is \$26 52 pesos a ton.

DAILY CLOSING PRICES OF WHEAT IN NEW YORK.

No. 2 red.	Sat.	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thurs.	Fri.
	cts. 307	310	310	312	314	325 @ 330

Indian corn advanced on light receipts, owing to poor railroad facilities, and a sharp demand from shorts. A new high record was touched. That kind of thing is becoming a commonplace. Strong cash markets have helped the rise in futures. And the visible supply in the United States decreased last week 1,021,000 bushels against an increase in the same week last year of 664,000 bushels. It is now 5,039,000 bushels against 4,240,000 bushels last year, and little enough it is to meet possible emergencies. Eastern shorts who sold last week on the blue financial outlook covered this week with very noticeable celerity. Sellers were few, buyers many. Chicago's trifling receipts so to speak fanned the flame. The cash demand was brisk. The high price of sugar has stimulated the trade in corn syrup. From this source may come a big demand for corn. The consumption in other directions is said to be larger than is generally suspected. Meanwhile the thorn in the side of the trade is the bad transportation conditions. In the West there is some improvement, but the tie-up at Buffalo is hurting the East and the export trade. The grain trade



here held a meeting at the Produce Exchange at which the chairman was instructed to communicate with Attorney-General Palmer, requesting him to use his authority to settle the Buffalo strike under the Lever Act. The matter is becoming serious. Kansas farmers are unable to market grain and hay. Bank loans are tied up by railroad delays. It is a credit strain all around. There are said to be 23,000 grain-laden cars stalled on the tracks between New York and Pittsburgh. Later on prices gave way under liquidation. Many of the shorts have been driven out. Inglis has issued an optimistic report on the outlook for the wheat crop. To-day prices advanced and end far higher than a week ago, i. e., about 15c. on May and 8c. on July.

**DAILY CLOSING PRICES OF CORN IN NEW YORK.**

No. 2 yellow	cts. 202 1/4	206	208 1/2	209 1/2	213 3/4	220
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**DAILY CLOSING PRICES OF CORN FUTURES IN CHICAGO.**

May delivery in elevator	cts. 175 1/2	179 1/2	182 1/2	183 1/2	188 1/2	191 1/2
July delivery in elevator	185 1/2	168 1/2	169 1/2	168 1/2	171 1/2	173 1/2
September delivery in elevator	157 1/2	160 1/2	162	160 1/2	162 1/2	163

Oats advanced to a new high record on small receipts and hasty buying by alarmed shorts. Cash markets have been very strong. In Winnipeg May shorts ran the price of May up on the 4th inst. to \$1 21 or nearly 5 cents higher than the night before. May was the strongest in Chicago, also rising 7 cents by the early part of the week compared with last Friday. Eastern shorts bought freely in Chicago. Here the offerings were almost nothing. The country was said to be selling more freely, tempted by higher prices and presumably somewhat better railroad facilities here and there. But in the main the offerings were smaller in Chicago than the demand. The effect on prices was very apparent. The visible supply last week, moreover, fell off 437,000 bushels against only 33,000 last year. And now the total is down to 6,813,000 bushels, against 21,507,000 bushels a year ago. That of rye showed a sharp decrease. Of barley the total visible is only 3,392,000 bushels, against 14,887,000 a year ago. Later in the week prices declined for a moment on profit taking and a falling off in the demand from shorts. Not that people are selling July freely at the big discounts, but many are disposed to look on for a time. Still, the oats crop is believed to be late and there is more or less buying on this idea, especially of July or September. There is a notion that the receipts of new oats in July will not be large. To-day prices again advanced and end some 4 1/2 to 5c. higher than a week ago on futures.

**DAILY CLOSING PRICES OF OATS IN NEW YORK.**

No. 1 white	cts. 140	140	145	145	145	147	148
No. 2 white	140	140	145	145	145	147	148

**DAILY CLOSING PRICES OF OATS FUTURES IN CHICAGO.**

May delivery in elevator	cts. 101 1/2	106	107	105 1/2	105 1/2	105 1/2
July delivery in elevator	89 1/2	90 1/2	92 1/2	91 1/2	92 1/2	93 1/2
September delivery in elevator	75 1/2	77	78	76 1/2	77 1/2	77 1/2

Rye has advanced on a good export demand. The visible supply decreased last week 2,490,000 bushels against an increase last year of 12,000 bushels. The total is 15,592,000 bushels against 17,246,000 a year ago. Feeding barley advanced on a good demand at \$1.95@2.02. This was said to be to replace oats for local feeding. To-day rye advanced further and closed 8@9c. higher than last Friday.

**DAILY CLOSING PRICES OF RYE FUTURES IN CHICAGO.**

May delivery in elevator	cts. 210	214 1/2	214 1/2	212 1/2	215 1/2	219 1/2
July delivery in elevator	201 1/2	204 1/2	205 1/2	203 1/2	205 1/2	208
September delivery in elevator	189	189	185 1/2	185 1/2	185 1/2	185 1/2

The following are closing quotations:

Spring patents	\$14 25@15 25	Barley goods—Portage barley:	
Winter straights, soft	12 00@13 00	No. 1	\$7 00
Kansas straights	13 50@14 50	Nos. 2, 3 and 4, pearl	6 25
Rye flour	11 50@12 75	Nos. 2-0 and 3-0	7 00@7 15
Corn goods, 100 lbs.—		Nos. 4-0 and 5-0	7 25
Yellow meal	4 40	Oats goods—Carload.	
Corn flour	4 50@4 60	spot delivery	10 60@11 60

**GRAIN.**

Wheat—		Oats—	
No. 2 red	\$3 25@3 30	No. 1	148 nom.
No. 1 spring	nom.	No. 2 white	148 nom.
Corn—		No. 3 white	148 nom.
No. 2 yellow	2 20	Barley—	
Rye—		Feeding	1 80
No. 2	2 44 1/2	Malting	1 90@2 00

**WEATHER BULLETIN FOR THE WEEK ENDING MAY 3.**—The general summary of the weather bulletin issued by the Department of Agriculture, indicating the influences of the weather, for the week ending May 3, is as follows:

**CORN.**—The moderately warm weather for the season in much of the South during the past week was favorable for the growth of corn, and the generally light rainfall in the central and western Gulf States permitted cultivation. The color of the plants is improving in the lower Mississippi Valley. Considerable progress was made in planting in the central trans-Mississippi States, although the soil continues too wet in some localities. Planting progressed northward over the central Great Plains to extreme southern Nebraska at about the average date. In the central districts east of the Mississippi, however, continued cold weather and frequent rains prevented much progress in preparation of soil and planting of corn, especially in the Ohio Valley. Planting made fairly good progress in the Atlantic Coast sections, becoming general during the week as far north as Virginia. The cold, dry and windy weather was unfavorable for germination in the middle and south Pacific Coast sections, but the warmer weather was favorable in the far Southwest.

**COTTON.**—Rainfall during the week was light in the central and western portions of the cotton belt, but moderate to fairly heavy falls were received in most eastern localities. Cool weather prevailed the first part of the week, but the temperature was higher the middle and latter parts, especially in the western portion of the belt. Soil moisture was ample, except in some extreme western districts. Planting made fairly good progress in all portions of the belt, except in some local areas in the eastern States where the soil was too wet. This work was under way at the close of the week to the northwestern limits of the belt. It was somewhat too cool for germination in North Carolina, and the plants are coming up slowly in that State, but the stands are generally fair to good in South Carolina. The stands are unsatisfactory in Georgia, but considerable improvement

in growth is reported in that State. Germination has been rather irregular in Alabama also, and the stand is rather poor in Arkansas, but the cotton that is up in the last-named State is doing well. The recent rains and the warmer weather were very beneficial in Louisiana, eastern Texas and Oklahoma, but germination of early cotton has been mostly poor in Texas. Considerable replanting has been necessary in California, but more favorable weather in Arizona has resulted in a decided improvement in that State. Chopping out is progressing in the more southern districts.

**Winter Grains.**—There was a general and rather decided improvement in winter wheat during the week in much of the Atlantic Coast area and also in the central great plains; elsewhere the crop continued to improve, but rather slowly on account of insufficient warmth and sunshine. The weather during the week was very favorable for winter wheat in Kansas and satisfactory progress was made in that State; the stalks are stooling well in the western portion and beginning to head in extreme southern counties. The recent rains in Kansas and Oklahoma were beneficial for the winter grain crops; but they are suffering for moisture in most of Texas, where wheat is heading on a short straw. Some grains that are coming into head in California are also suffering from deficient moisture. While winter wheat is growing slowly in the Northwestern States, it is mostly in good condition in that area; it is stooling well and is in fair to good condition in Montana. Winter oats made satisfactory advance in the Southern States from eastern Texas eastward, but it continues too dry in central and western Texas. This crop is ripening in Florida and harvest has begun in that State. Rye and barley showed some improvement during the week in nearly all sections, but the advance was mostly slow on account of continued unseasonably low temperatures.

**SPRING WHEAT.**—The weather continued unfavorable in the spring wheat belt, the week being cold, cloudy and rainy, preventing satisfactory progress in the preparation of seed beds and sowing of grain. Fairly good progress was made in seeding in some localities in the southern portion of the belt, and much spring wheat was sown in Montana, but, as a rule, little of this work was possible. In an average season, seeding is general by this date to the northern limits of the belt, while during the present season very little wheat has been sown in some of the heavier producing localities, particularly in the Red River Valley.

**OATS.**—Oat seeding, also, was still further delayed by the unfavorable weather conditions, especially in central and northern districts from the Mississippi Valley eastward. Both oats and barley, however, are reported in fair to good condition in the central Great Plains, although growth is slow. Oats on lowlands in Indiana were badly washed by floods.

**RICE.**—The week was favorable for rice seeding in Arkansas, and the rains at the close of the preceding week were very beneficial to this crop in Louisiana.

**POTATOES.**—The weather was fairly favorable for potatoes and truck crops in southeastern districts, and considerable growth resulted. Moderate shipments of beans, tomatoes and potatoes were made from Florida. While the planting of early potatoes was begun as far north as southern New York, Michigan, Wisconsin, Montana and Washington, the soil was much too cold and wet in most northern and many central districts for field work. Dry, cold and windy weather was unfavorable in California.

The statement 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 Aug. 1 for each of the last three years have been:

Receipts at—	Flour.	Wheat.	Corn.	Oats.	Barley.	Rye.
	bbls. 196 lbs.	bush. 60 lbs.	bush. 56 lbs.	bush. 32 lbs.	bush. 48 lbs.	bush. 56 lbs.
Chicago	25,000	222,000	321,000	506,000	196,000	45,000
Minneapolis	1,224,000	76,000	252,000	152,000	20,000	155,000
Duluth	1,085,000	—	—	27,000	—	302,000
Milwaukee	5,000	49,000	209,000	352,000	199,000	168,000
Toledo	—	160,000	47,000	7,000	—	—
Detroit	—	—	—	—	—	—
St. Louis	53,000	253,000	469,000	424,000	—	8,000
Peoria	45,000	251,000	118,000	170,000	8,000	60,000
Kansas City	—	617,000	171,000	64,000	—	—
Omaha	—	599,000	359,000	362,000	—	—
Indianapolis	—	60,000	262,000	280,000	—	—
Total wk. '20	128,000	4,430,000	2,035,000	2,514,000	575,000	738,000
Same wk. '19	359,000	2,412,000	4,216,000	4,547,000	1,690,000	1,075,000
Same wk. '18	310,000	1,601,000	4,917,000	6,148,000	683,000	152,000
Since Aug. 1—						
1919-20	16,236,000	380,507,000	156,035,000	171,653,000	27,001,000	29,219,000
1918-19	13,034,000	381,998,000	169,740,000	236,643,000	71,587,000	40,581,000
1917-18	12,902,000	151,234,000	197,141,000	273,807,000	40,754,000	22,106,000

Total receipts of flour and grain at the seaboard ports for he week ended May 1 1920 follow:

Receipts at—	Flour.	Wheat.	Corn.	Oats.	Barley.	Rye.
	Barrels.	Bushels.	Bushels.	Bushels.	Bushels.	Bushels.
New York	48,000	384,000	15,000	50,000	53,000	352,000
Portland, Me.	—	441,000	47,000	58,000	242,000	258,000
Philadelphia	26,000	370,000	45,000	19,000	—	163,000
Baltimore	26,000	270,000	97,000	70,000	—	304,000
New Orleans*	108,000	171,000	81,000	90,000	—	—
Galveston	—	472,000	—	—	—	—
Montreal	11,000	10,000	—	188,000	40,000	—
Boston	12,000	91,000	3,000	29,000	—	—
Total wk. '20	231,000	2,209,000	288,000	504,000	335,000	1,077,000
Since Jan. 1 '20	6,886,000	32,918,000	6,449,000	12,612,000	4,270,000	15,387,000
Week 1919...	962,000	5,611,000	323,000	854,000	1,249,000	2,438,000
Since Jan. 1 '19	12,393,000	65,933,000	4,746,000	23,086,000	8,091,000	12,677,000

\* 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 May 1 are shown in the annexed statement:

Exports from—	Wheat.	Corn.	Flour.	Oats.	Rye.	Barley.	Peas.
	Bushels.	Bushels.	Barrels.	Bushels.	Bushels.	Bushels.	Bushels.
New York	205,638	—	162,286	—	428,738	167,391	—
Portland, Me.	441,000	47,000	—	58,000	258,000	242,000	—
Boston	—	—	—	28,000	—	—	—
Philadelphia	448,000	9,000	156,000	—	162,000	—	—
Baltimore	130,000	1,000	4,000	—	286,000	35,000	—
New Orleans	7,000	39,000	27,000	26,000	—	—	—
Total week	1,231,638	96,000	349,286	112,000	1,134,738	444,397	—
Week 1919	6,451,158	65,873	1,052,878	873,571	1,363,000	1,736,615	25,701

The destination of these exports for the week and since July 1 1919 is as below:

Exports for Week and Since July 1 to—	Flour.		Wheat.		Corn.	
	Week May 1 1920.	Since July 1 1919.	Week May 1 1920.	Since July 1 1919.	Week May 1 1920.	Since July 1 1919.
United Kingdom	—	6,135,977	294,000	52,179,739	56,000	2,458,793
Continent	318,286	8,977,771	792,638	83,917,387	—	—
So. & Cent. Amer.	12,000	909,685	—	137,606	25,000	80,207
West Indies	19,000	1,295,806	7,000	13,530	15,000	887,134
Brit. No. Am. Colonies	—	58	—	—	—	3,970
Other Countries	—	148,316	138,000	413,025	—	5,219
Total	349,286	17,466,713	1,231,638	136,661,287	95,000	3,680,823
Total 1918-19	10,523,781	14,314,161	6,451,158	125,006,521	65,873	4,744,702



The world's shipment of wheat and corn for the week ending May 1 1920 and since July 1 1919 and 1918 are shown in the following:

Exports.	Wheat.			Corn.		
	1919.		1918.	1919.		1918.
	Week May 1.	Since July 1.	Since July 1.	Week May 1.	Since July 1.	Since July 1.
North Amer.	Bushels. 2,978,000	Bushels. 271,791,000	Bushels. 259,236,000	Bushels. 78,000	Bushels. 2,692,000	Bushels. 7,997,000
Russia	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
Danube	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
Argentina	9,454,000	181,293,000	72,568,000	3,838,000	114,586,000	29,149,000
Australia	736,000	83,613,000	59,846,000	-----	-----	-----
India	-----	-----	5,623,000	-----	-----	-----
Oth. countr's	-----	1,911,000	3,301,000	-----	1,750,000	3,859,000
Total	13,168,000	533,608,000	391,574,000	3,916,000	119,028,000	41,005,000

The visible supply of grain, comprising the stocks in granary at principal points of accumulation at lake and seaboard ports May 1 1920 was as follows:

United States—	GRAIN STOCKS.				
	Wheat. bush.	Corn. bush.	Oats. bush.	Rye. bush.	Barley. bush.
New York	469,000	74,000	31,000	63,000	29,000
Boston	100,000	14,000	11,000	1,000	3,000
Philadelphia	814,000	166,000	20,000	370,000	2,000
Baltimore	988,000	411,000	139,000	1,562,000	6,000
Newport News	-----	-----	-----	29,000	-----
New Orleans	970,000	74,000	163,000	38,000	1,028,000
Galveston	3,545,000	-----	-----	403,000	259,000
Buffalo	5,023,000	205,000	112,000	1,101,000	214,000
Toledo	692,000	43,000	49,000	85,000	-----
Detroit	23,000	23,000	84,000	30,000	-----
Chicago	7,604,000	1,020,000	2,375,000	721,000	594,000
Afloat	219,000	-----	-----	242,000	-----
Milwaukee	662,000	331,000	623,000	141,000	139,000
Duluth	2,326,000	-----	32,000	2,369,000	94,000
Minneapolis	7,694,000	79,000	2,109,000	4,377,000	744,000
St. Louis	476,000	419,000	86,000	27,000	39,000
Kansas City	9,148,000	309,000	347,000	69,000	-----
Peoria	2,000	130,000	62,000	-----	-----
Indianapolis	255,000	514,000	87,000	4,000	7,000
Omaha	1,512,000	1,056,000	430,000	61,000	7,000
On Lakes	762,000	171,000	53,000	3,926,000	252,000
Total May 1 1920	42,784,000	5,039,000	6,813,000	15,559,000	3,392,000
Total April 24 1920	42,969,000	6,069,000	7,250,000	18,049,000	3,164,000
Total May 3 1919	49,502,000	4,245,000	21,507,000	17,246,000	14,881,000
Note.—Bonded grain not included above: Oats, 2,000 New York, 10,000 Boston; total, 12,000, against 9,000 bushels in 1919; barley, New York, 81,000 total, 81,000 bushels, against 74,000 in 1919.					
<b>Canadian—</b>					
Montreal	536,000	15,000	643,000	4,900	121,000
Ft. William & Pt. Arthur	8,018,000	-----	4,354,000	-----	1,560,000
Other Canadian	1,017,000	-----	175,000	-----	219,000
Total May 1 1920	9,571,000	15,000	5,172,000	4,900	1,900,000
Total April 24 1920	12,577,000	20,000	5,101,000	4,900	2,319,000
Total May 3 1919	32,788,000	22,000	5,675,000	12,000	763,000
<b>Summary—</b>					
American	42,784,000	5,039,000	6,813,000	15,559,000	3,392,000
Canadian	9,571,000	15,000	5,172,000	4,900	1,900,000
Total May 1 1920	52,355,000	5,054,000	11,985,000	15,563,000	5,292,000
Total April 24 1920	55,546,000	6,089,000	12,351,000	18,053,000	5,483,000
Total May 3 1919	82,290,000	4,267,000	27,182,000	17,258,000	15,644,000

THE DRY GOODS TRADE

New York, Friday Night, May 7 1920.

A more pronounced feeling of quiet has been evident in all primary dry goods markets during the week. The closing of the Exchanges on May 1 had some little effect on business, but opinion was current among traders that the markets were undergoing a strain that would not lessen much until belated deliveries have been completed. It was stated at the week-end that goods are beginning to move more freely on the railroads, but merchants said it would be weeks before the effects of the tie-up would pass away. Primary markets are receiving a negative answer to the question they have been asking for some time concerning the ability of the retail trade to carry along at high prices to the consumer; and many causes are assigned for the retailers' action in cutting prices at the 1st of May. But every experienced merchant knows that the real cause is dull business at high prices. At the present time the resistance to price advances is stronger and more open than it has been since the armistice. The trade in spots is actually dull. It seems plain enough that consumers will not pay prices for clothing based upon abnormal wage payments to those who make it, and they are leaving it to the manufacturers and merchants to settle their own troubles. Merchants would, as a matter of course, prefer to see prices held stable so that they can plan to sell goods for long term deliveries to those users who by force of circumstances must buy their goods from four to six months before they can actually begin using them. The letting down in the dry goods trade is becoming very marked, owing to the fear that strikes may curtail the output for a time, and holders of goods on contracts are uneasy. The position of clothing manufacturers is reported as showing some signs of improvement, but in general they have been hard hit by heavy demands of labor through local unions. Garment merchants and manufacturers are being thrown together for protection against the conditions labor has forced in this great industry. Underneath the quiet of the markets rumblings of labor troubles are ominous. In New England wage difficulties are coming to a head fast and strikes of an extensive character are already reported at New Bedford. Manufacturers there have grown tired of fighting sporadic strikes after wage advances for a definite period have been agreed upon, and many of them would prefer to shut down through strike causes than accumulate goods at high costs when there is no market for them. In the local market it is said that the American Woolen Company

will lead the fight against labor in its new demands, and this has caused much speculation throughout the woolen and worsted trade. Reports from New Bedford during the early part of the week said that 80% of the machinery there was idle. It is generally believed that if instead of striking labor would work harder and produce more for the high wages it is at present receiving, there would be no need to worry, and prices would seek soon a normal level. Based upon prices to-day for print cloths or gingham, a wage advance of 20% for operatives might mean one to two cents a yard advance in the cost of goods. More attention is being given in some houses to the possibilities of export trade, because of the slackening demands of the home trade. The demand for export shows little change compared with conditions a week ago, but sellers catering to those markets are willing to listen to lower prices.

DOMESTIC COTTON GOODS.—The cotton goods market for the week has been quieter than for some time. The dullness is becoming more pronounced, yet it is manifest that weakness does not develop in any general way. There seems to be little doubt among cotton goods merchants that a higher scale of some kind will have to be taken into account beginning June 1. Jobbers are holding out of the markets and retailers are not buying liberally. Commission merchants are telling their mills frankly that if wages are to be advanced the added costs cannot be passed on to the consumers successfully this summer. The well sold condition of most mills makes it a simple matter for many merchants to look upon the current dullness in demand with complacency. They could not offer many spot goods if buyers were asking for them, and they are unable to grant early deliveries to buyers who need them. Deliveries are catching up all the while, but the movement is still very irregular as a consequence of transportation difficulties. Many goods are long over due and have been paid for, and many other goods not paid for but soon due have not arrived. Jobbers cannot pay for these goods and are receiving extensions until deliveries have been made. Jobbers' stocks are low and many jobbers frankly state that they have not goods enough to take care of them for the three busy months of August, September and October. The continuation of offerings at retail at more attractive prices is having a sobering effect upon merchants, who were planning for still higher prices this fall. In the fine goods end of the cotton goods trade it is recognized that a curtailment of production will assist in holding prices for goods this season. Commission houses expect to hear many protests against high prices for cotton goods from Southern jobbers. In the trade, sheetings are quiet and may be had at concessions of 1c from the extreme top by shopping among second hands. 48 squares 5.00 yard stock 19 3/4c. and 6.15s 18c. The mechanical trades continue to take fair quantities of wide sheetings and drills. Prints at nominally unchanged prices. Gingham scarce. Fine goods trading is very light. Trading in gray goods continues quiet. Manufacturers are asking full prices for most descriptions of stock. 36 1/2 inch 64x64s 26c. The weakness in late deliveries of gray cloths is still talked of as indicating a possible break, yet many traders point to the relative steadiness of spots. Heavy colored cottons for domestic use are hard to pick up for early shipment, as are also plaids, denims, cottonades, and come lines of tickings.

WOOLEN GOODS.—The woolen situation continues weak, only fine worsteds and fancy wools holding up. The market is more spotty than it has been for several months, and talks of 50% increased wages to be passed on to consumers is treated as ridiculous by merchants as well as mill men. The fact that the wool goods trade is not so buoyant as some selling agents have been talking about is confirmed by the willingness of mills to shut down or fight strikers. The tendency on the part of merchants to cancel orders for woolen goods is reported growing in the local market. Some of the most prominent interests locally believe it is time for the greatest optimism and co-operation, and declare that unless there is a recession of raw materials prices and present labor difficulties are solved in a way that is satisfactory to the manufacturers, the entire woolen and worsted industry will be brought to a standstill. While cancellations in men's wear is the talk of the market at present, the same is not true of fine dress goods, which are still strong. Larger quantities of dress goods materials have been sold for counter trade than ever before as there is a growing tendency on the part of women to eliminate the ready-to-wear custom.

FOREIGN DRY GOODS.—The demand for linens is lessening. The situation becomes more acute day by day but no relief is expected for months. Production is still very limited. Scarcity of flax is given as the chief reason for the scarcity of linen. Last week a few packages of linen reached New York from Great Britain and more is still afloat. But the receipts are negligible, scarcely comparable with the needs. Growers in Great Britain are looking forward to increased acreage this year, but reports from Russia are disquieting, and persons in close touch with conditions there say no flax may be expected from the Soviet republic until 1923. The burlap markets give evidence of a change downward. Importing houses are holding steady, while speculators are endeavoring to unload surplus stocks. 8-40s have been sold lately in the local market at 9.50 and 9.60c., while heavy weights are held at 13 1/2c. by some factors who would like to sell. There is a moderate demand for odd widths.



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## State and City Department

### MUNICIPAL BOND SALES IN APRIL.

The new municipal bonds of the long-term variety, issued during April, as tabulated by us, reach a total of \$57,461,431. This compares with \$52,713,484 in the corresponding month last year, and with \$57,416,993 in the month of March 1920. The largest issue placed during the month of April was by the city of Omaha, Neb., which disposed of \$5,000,000 5% 30-year gas plant bonds to Burns, Brinker & Co., of Omaha, at par and accrued interest. Other important issues included in the total are: Akron, Ohio, \$3,750,000 5½% representing four separate issues awarded to Stacy & Braun, of Toledo, at 102.3163, the \$685,000 15½-year (average) water-works bonds yielding about 5.26% at this figure, the \$250,000 street-improvement bonds yielding about 5.05%, the \$500,000 trunk sewer construction bonds about 5.23% and the \$2,315,000 15½-year (average) water-works bonds about 5.26%; State of Rhode Island, \$2,500,000 4½% soldiers' bonus bonds, awarded to the Rhode Island Hospital Trust Co., the National Exchange Bank and the Estate of John Nicholas Brown at a joint bid of 100.911, yielding about 4.44%; Minneapolis, Minn., \$3,443,445, awarded to the Northwestern National Bank and the Minnesota Loan & Trust Co., jointly representing nine separate issues, comprising \$35,000 5% work-house bonds at 95, yielding 6.87%, \$300,000 5% park bonds at 95 yielding about 6.87%, \$50,000 5% improvement fund bonds at 95 yielding about 6%, \$150,000 5% Franklin Ave. bridge bonds at 95 yielding about 5.46%, \$250,000 5% school bonds at 95 yielding about 5.79%, \$1,250,000 school bonds at 95 yielding about 5.44%, \$100,000 4% Bassett's Creek bonds at 95 yielding about 4.30%, \$50,000 public comfort station bonds at 95 yielding about 5.33%, and \$1,258,444 83 special street improvement bonds at par for 5s; Akron School District, Ohio, \$2,000,000 5½% school bonds awarded to Silverman, Huyek & Co., of Cincinnati, at 100.8605, yielding about 5.38%; Norfolk, Va., \$1,500,000 5% water bonds awarded to the National City Co., at 98.179, yielding about 5.68%; Yonkers, N. Y., \$1,398,000 5% bonds awarded to Sherwood Merrifield, Hornblower & Weeks and A. B. Leach & Co., all of New York City, at their joint bid of 100.13 as follows: \$748,000 school bonds, yielding about 4.98%, \$350,000 tax-deficiency bonds yielding about 4.97%, and \$300,000 assessment bonds yielding about 4.96%; Contra Costa County, Calif., \$1,250,000 5% highway bonds sold to Girvin & Miller at par; and Perty Amboy, N. J., \$1,200,000 6% water improvement bonds sold to Hornblower & Weeks, B. J. Van Ingen & Co., Geo. B. Gibbons & Co., A. B. Leach & Co. and J. S. Rippel & Co., on their joint bid of 100.075, yielding about 5.985%.

Many issues of bonds were offered in April without finding takers. The reason was chiefly that interest rates were not sufficiently attractive. U. S. Government bonds declined sharply during the month, and this, with the offering of some large issues of railway bonds, to yield 7%, made adjustment necessary of municipal bonds to a new income basis.

The amount of municipal issues offered but not sold during April aggregates no less than \$25,602,882. This represents 72 separate issues. In Massachusetts, where the interest rate is now limited, there is a bill before the Legislature which, if passed, will permit county and municipal treasurers to fix interest rates on all bonds, notes and other securities issued by their respective county or municipality. The largest issue not sold was by the city of Pittsburg, Pa.,

which on April 8 offered \$7,281,000 4½% serial coupon bonds, but received no bids. Other municipalities which were unable to dispose of their bonds are: Cleveland School District, Ohio, \$4,000,000 5% school bonds, no bids received; these bonds will be reoffered to-day (May 10) as 5½%; State of Michigan \$2,750,000 4½%; the original offering was \$3,000,000 4½%, of which only \$250,000 was sold. Toledo, Ohio, \$1,000,000 5s, no bids; and Ozaukee County, Wis., \$1,500,000 5s.

Short-term securities in the municipal field during April aggregated \$66,311,000. This includes \$57,065,000 revenue bonds, bills, corporate stock notes and tax notes issued by New York City. Canadian municipal bond sales reached \$14,867,835.

In the following we furnish a comparison of all the various forms of obligations put out in April in the last five years:

	1920.	1919.	1918.	1917.	1916.
Perman't loans (U.S.)	\$ 57,461,431	\$ 52,713,484	\$ 14,999,882	\$ 68,277,482	\$ 86,899,155
*Temp'y loans (U.S.)	66,311,000	41,975,700	25,425,000	38,468,188	28,215,385
Canadian loans (per't)	14,867,835	7,514,928	8,869,408	2,100,716	5,000,919
Bonds U.S. Possess'ns	None	10,000,000	None	300,000	1,750,000
Gen. fund bds., N. Y. C.	None	None	3,500,000	None	None
Total.....	138,640,266	112,204,112	52,993,290	109,146,386	122,465,439

† Includes temporary securities issued by New York City, \$57,065,000 in April 1920, \$32,000,000 in April 1919, \$17,505,000 in 1918, \$30,610,000 in 1917, and \$23,500,000 in 1916.

The number of municipalities emitting permanent bonds and the number of separate issues made during April 1920 were 251 and 318, respectively. This contrasts with 330 and 391 for March 1920 and with 285 and 361 for April 1919.

For comparative purposes we add the following table, showing the aggregates of long-term issues for April and the four months for a series of years:

Month of	For the	Month of	For the		
April.	Four Months	April.	Four Months		
1920.....	\$57,461,431	\$230,703,757	1905.....	\$40,409,428	\$76,137,234
1919.....	52,713,484	158,818,451	1904.....	11,814,584	58,333,230
1918.....	14,999,882	90,130,471	1903.....	17,626,820	48,803,588
1917.....	68,277,482	169,324,775	1902.....	6,735,283	33,254,819
1916.....	86,899,155	206,902,393	1901.....	9,298,268	38,192,622
1915.....	26,402,049	171,261,251	1900.....	14,157,899	48,650,275
1914.....	103,224,074	268,986,826	1899.....	7,477,406	28,098,992
1913.....	23,644,915	96,258,461	1898.....	3,570,963	27,336,696
1912.....	22,317,243	97,961,422	1897.....	13,060,323	48,631,386
1911.....	38,562,686	162,026,305	1896.....	4,521,850	19,672,118
1910.....	20,691,260	124,708,581	1895.....	8,469,464	29,496,406
1909.....	37,462,552	117,402,988	1894.....	11,598,322	35,718,205
1908.....	21,426,859	112,196,684	1893.....	9,175,788	28,680,211
1907.....	19,000,004	78,235,067	1892.....	6,723,000	28,987,431
1906.....	8,725,437	65,755,686			

† Includes \$25,000,000 bonds sold by New York State and \$3,000,000 purchased by the Sinking Fund of New York City.

‡ Includes \$55,000,000 bonds issued by New York City at public sale.

γ Including \$70,000,000 bonds sold by New York City—\$65,000,000 at public sale and \$5,000,000 to the Sinking Fund.

Owing to the crowded condition of our columns, we are obliged to omit this week the customary table showing the month's bond sales in detail. It will be given later.

## NEWS ITEMS.

**Canton, Ohio.**—*Charter Form of Government to Be Voted On.*—The City Council of Canton on April 27 unanimously passed an ordinance providing for submission to the electorate at the Aug. 10 primaries of the question, "Shall a commission be chosen to frame a charter and provide for the election of the members of the commission for a charter form of government?" A special dispatch to the "Cleveland Plain Dealer" says:

The City Board of Elections within thirty days will be formally notified of the special election. Voters at the time they decide whether or not the charter form of government is desired will elect fifteen commissioners. To qualify for election the individual seeking the place must submit to the Board of Elections twenty-five days prior to the date of the election a nominating petition containing signatures of fifty electors.

The fifteen commissioners elected, in the event voters want the commission form of government, will frame the charter, and submit it to the electorate within a year.

**New York State.**—*Savings Bank Investment Law Amended Regarding Investments in Bankers' Acceptances.*—The 1920 Legislature passed an Act amending the banking law in relation to investment of savings funds in bankers' acceptances. Previously savings institutions could invest in acceptances eligible "for rediscount with Federal Reserve banks." Under the amendment they are allowed to invest in acceptances eligible "for purchase in the open market by Federal Reserve banks." We print below sub-division (11) Section (239) showing the new matter in italics and the part omitted in brackets:

11. Bankers' acceptances and bills of exchange of the kind and maturities made eligible by law for [rediscount with] purchase in the open market by Federal Reserve banks, provided the same are accepted by a bank, national banking association or trust company, incorporated under the laws of the State of New York or under the laws of the United States and having its principal place of business in the State of New York. Not more than 20% of the assets of any savings bank less the amount of the available fund held pursuant to the provisions of Section 251 of this chapter, shall be invested in such acceptances. The aggregate amount of the liability of any bank, national banking association or trust company or any savings bank for acceptances held by such savings bank and deposits made with it shall not exceed 25% of the paid-up capital and surplus of such bank, national banking association or trust company and not more than 5% of the aggregate amount credited to the depositors of any savings bank shall be invested in the acceptances of or deposited with a bank, national banking association or trust company of which a trustee of such savings bank is a director.

**South Dakota.**—*Special Session of Legislature Called by Governor.*—Governor Norbeck of South Dakota on May 3



issued a call for a special session of the Legislature to convene on May 24. The legislators will be asked to consider a constitutional amendment which would permit the payment of a bonus to former service men. An increase in teachers' salaries of 40% will also be asked.

**BOND CALLS AND REDEMPTIONS**

**The Dalles, Wasco County, Ore.—Bond Call.**—On May 1 \$54,500 bonds dated May 1 1895 were called for payment, same being due.

**BOND PROPOSALS AND NEGOTIATIONS**  
this week have been as follows:

**ABBEVILLE, Abbeville County, So. Caro.—BOND OFFERING.**—Newspaper reports say that bids will be received until 12 m. May 12 by the Mayor, for \$90,000 20, 30 and 40 year paving bonds at not exceeding 5½% interest. Cert. check for \$1,500, required.

**ADAMS COUNTY (P. O. West Union), Ohio.—BOND SALE.**—The \$18,000 5½% bonds, offered on March 1—V. 110, p. 889—have been sold to the Sinking Fund Trustees at par. Date March 1 1920. Due March 1 1940.

**AKRON, Summit County, Ohio.—BONDS VOTED.**—It is reported that the proposition to issue \$900,000 office building construction bonds carried by a vote of 6,435 "for" to 2,413 "against."

**ALAMANCE COUNTY (P. O. Alamance), So. Caro.—BOND SALE.**—It is reported that \$200,000 6% road bonds have been awarded to the National Bank of Alamance at par as follows:  
\$50,000 3-12-year serial road bonds, Series No. 1.  
75,000 13-22-year serial road bonds, Series No. 2.  
63,000 23-28-year serial road bonds, Series No. 3.  
12,000 4-29-year serial road bonds, Series No. 4.

**ALLENTOWN, Monmouth County, N. J.—BOND OFFERING.**—Proposals for an issue of \$15,000 borough bonds, to bear interest at a rate not to exceed 5%, will be received until 8:50 p. m. May 24, by Chas. S. Joiner, Borough Clerk. Cert. check on an incorporated bank or trust company, for 2% of amount of bonds bid for, required.

**ALLIANCE, Box Butte County, Neb.—BOND OFFERING.**—On May 25 \$25,000 intersection paving and \$10,000 drainage bonds at not exceeding 6% int. will be offered for sale.

**APPLING COUNTY (P. O. Barley), Ga.—BOND ELECTION.**—Reports state that on May 12 the voters will be given an opportunity to vote upon the question of issuing \$230,000 road bonds

**ATTALIA IRRIGATION DISTRICT (P. O. Attalia), Walla Walla County, Wash.—BOND SALE.**—An issue of \$125,000 6% 20-year irrigation bonds has been sold, according to reports, to H. P. Pratt & Co. of Tacoma at 90, a basis of about 6.93%.

**BEAVER DAM DRAINAGE DISTRICT, Greene County, Ark.—BOND SALE.**—Reports say that Jos. R. Bertig of Paragould, has been awarded \$183,000 5½% drainage bonds at 101.50. Denom. \$1,000. Due yearly from 1920 to 1939, incl.

**BEAVERHEAD COUNTY (P. O. Dillon), Mont.—BONDS DEFEATED.**—On April 23 the following bonds—V. 110, p. 999—were turned down:

- \$100,000 Federal aid road bonds. Vote 505 "against" to 494 "for."
- 70,000 County high school dormitory bonds. Vote 516 "against" to 589 "for."
- 50,000 Central heat plant bonds. Vote 633 "against" to 355 "for."

**BEDFORD COUNTY (P. O. Shelbyville), Tenn.—BONDS VOTED.**—Reports say that the Bedford County Court recently voted \$200,000 worth of bonds, thereby accepting the proposition put the Court by the State Highway Commission on March 25.

**BELLEFONTAINE SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Bellefontaine), Logan County, Ohio.—BOND OFFERING.**—Proposals will be received by W. S. Jones, Clerk of Board of Education, until 12 m. May 10 for \$16,500 5½% refunding bonds. Auth. Sec. 5656 Gen. Code. Denom. \$500. Date Jan. 1 1920. Int. semi-ann. Due \$500 each six months from Jan. 1 1921 to Jan. 1 1937, incl. Cert. check for \$500, payable to the Treasurer of the Board of Education, required. Bond to be delivered and paid for within 10 days from date of award. Purchaser to pay accrued interest.

**BELTRAMI COUNTY (P. O. Bemidji), Minn.—BOND OFFERING.**—A. D. Johnson, County Auditor, will receive bids until May 10, it is stated, for the \$250,000 6% 10-year State Road bonds, offered without success on Feb. 5—V. 110, p. 889. Int. semi-ann. Denoms. \$1,000 and \$500. Cert. check for \$1,000 required.

**BENTON, Franklin County, Ill.—BOND SALE.**—It is reported that the \$40,000 5% fire dept. bonds, authorized by a vote of the people last fall—V. 109, p. 1718—have been sold to the Hanchett Bond Co., of Chicago, at par.

**BENTON COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT JOINT NO. 1, Wash.—BOND OFFERING.**—At 11 a. m. May 15 George Starr, County Treasurer (P. O. Prosser), will receive proposals for \$5,100 school bonds at not exceeding 6% interest. Prin. and interest payable at the office of the County Treasurer. Due \$1,275 in 1925, 1930, 1935 and 1940.

**BESSMER SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Bessmer), Jefferson County, Ala.—BOND OFFERING.**—Sealed bids will be received until May 8 by Leonard L. Vann, Superintendent of Schools for \$300,000 5% 20-year school bonds.

**BEVERLY ROAD DISTRICT, Randolph County, W. Va.—BONDS TO BE TAKEN BY STATE.**—The \$94,000 5% 1-29-year serial gold coupon road bonds offered on March 1—V. 110, p. 184—will be taken by the State Board of Public Works, it is stated.

**BEXLEY VILLAGE SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Columbus), Franklin County, Ohio.—BOND SALE.**—The \$50,000 5½% coupon school bonds, offered without success on Mar. 10—V. 110, p. 1336—have been purchased, according to reports, by the State Industrial Commission of Ohio at par. Date Mar. 25 1920. Due each six months as follows: \$2,500, Mar. 25 1923 to Sept. 25 1925 incl., and \$3,500, 1926 to 1930 incl.

**BIG SPRING TOWNSHIP (P. O. New Riegel), Seneca County, O.—BOND SALE.**—On Apr. 24 and issue of \$8,500 5% coupon road impt. bonds was awarded to Charles Schnitz, at par. Denom. \$500. Date May 1 1920. Int. semi-ann. Due \$500 each six months from Mar. 15 1921 to Mar. 15 1929, incl.

**BIRMINGHAM, Ala.—BOND SALE.**—On March 31 the Gamewell Fire Alarm Co. purchased \$275,000 5% fire department bonds at par. Date April 1 1920. Due April 1 1930.

**BISHOPVILLE, Lee County, So. Caro.—BOND SALE.**—According to newspaper reports the \$55,000 6% 11½ year (aver.) street paving bonds, dated April 1 1920, offered on April 21—V. 110, p. 1661—have been sold to J. H. Hillsman & Co. of Atlanta at 94.54, a basis of about 6.69%.

**BLUFFTON SCHOOL CITY (P. O. Bluffton), Allen County, Ind.—NO BONDS OFFERED.**—H. F. Kain, Secretary of the School Board, advises us that no offering was made on April 27 of an issue of \$102,000 5% high-school building bonds.—V. 110, p. 1771.

**BOISE SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Boise), Ada County, Idaho.—BONDS VOTED.**—On April 26 \$275,000 high-school building bonds were voted.

**BOXELDER COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Brigham), Utah.—BOND SALE.**—The \$180,000 5% 20-year building bonds have been sold to Continental & Commercial Trust & Savings Bank of Chicago, and Sweet, Causey, Foster & Co. and Wright, Swan & Co. of Denver, jointly at 90.076, a basis of about 5.92%.

Other bidders:  
Keeler Bros., 88. 5 20-year., also 89.90 6-20-yr. serial.  
Hanchett Bond Co., Chicago., 86.20 for 20-year.  
Palmer Bond & Mtge. Co., Salt Lake City, 86.06 20-yr.; 89.13 6-20-yr. serial.  
Bosworth, Chanute & Co., Denver, 85.95 20-yr.; 90.11 1-20-yr. serial.  
E. H. Rollins & Sons and International Trust Co. of Denver, 85.91 20-yr. and 88.88 6-20-yr. serial.

*Financial Statement.*

Assessed valuation	\$35,004,760
Total bonded debt (with this issue)	400,000
Population, estimated	18,000

**BRAZORIA COUNTY (P. O. Angleton), Tex.—BONDS DEFEATED.**—At the election held in Angleton District on April 24—V. 110, p. 1446—\$150,000 road bonds were defeated.

**BROCKTON, Plymouth County, Mass.—TEMPORARY LOAN.**—On May 5 a temporary loan of \$100,000 issued in anticipation of revenue, dated May 7 and maturing Nov. 19 1920 was awarded to S. N. Bond & Co. of New York on a 5.83% discount basis.

**BROOKVILLE CONSOLIDATED SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Brookville), Montgomery County, Ohio.—NO BIDS.**—No bids were submitted for the \$120,000 5½% high school bldg. bonds, offered on May 1.—V. 110, p. 1897.

**BUENA VISTA SCHOOL DISTRICT, Tulare County, Calif.—BOND SALE.**—An issue of \$11,000 6% school bonds was sold on April 21 to the First National Bank of Visalia for \$11,362.20, equal to 103.292. Denom. \$1,000. Date March 20 1920. Int. M. & S.  
A like amount of bonds was reported as sold in V. 110, p. 1336.

**BUFFALO, N. Y.—BOND SALE.**—During the month of April the following 4% bonds were purchased by the sinking funds:  
\$4,500.00 water refunding bonds, dated April 1 1920. Due April 1 1945.  
11,050.82 monthly local work bonds, dated April 15 1920. Due April 15 1921.  
5,000.00 water refunding bonds, dated April 26 1920. Due April 26 1945.

**BUNCOMBE COUNTY (P. O. Asheville), No. Caro.—BOND OFFERING.**—B. A. Patton, Chairman Board of County Commissioners, will receive bids for \$300,000 6% road and bridge bonds until 12 m. May 10. Date April 1 1920. Due yearly on April 1 as follows: \$33,000, 1922 to 1929, incl., and \$36,000, 1930. Cert. check for \$6,000 required. The county will furnish the approving opinion of Reed, Dougherty & Hoyt, N. Y.

**BURKE COUNTY (P. O. Waynesboro), Ga.—BOND ELECTION CALLED OFF.**—The election which was to have taken place on April 20 to vote on \$500,000 5% road and bridge bonds—V. 110, p. 1216—was called off.

**BUTLER, Butler County, Pa.—BOND OFFERING.**—Proposals will be received until 4 p. m. May 11 by C. G. Chase, City Clerk, according to reports, for \$125,000 5% 19½-year (aver.) street impt. bonds. Int. semi-ann. Cert. check for \$1,000 required.

**CABELL COUNTY (P. O. Huntington), W. Va.—BOND ELECTION.**—On May 25 it is stated that \$1,000,000 road bonds will be voted upon.

**CABIN CREEK ROAD DISTRICT, Kanawha County, W. Va.—PART OF BOND ISSUE TO BE TAKEN BY STATE.**—The Charleston "Gazette," in its issue of April 14, states that "Kanawha County Court is unable to get anyone to take over the \$904,000 in bonds issued by the Cabin Creek District since the law provides for the sale of the bonds at par, plus accrued interest. The Board of Public Works will take \$37,000 of them, but no more.

**CACHE RIVER DRAINAGE DISTRICT NO. 2, Greene County, Ark.—BOND SALE.**—An issue of \$580,000 drainage bonds was sold according to reports, to Jos. R. Bertig of Paragould and Guy E. Thompson of Little Rock, jointly, at par.

**CALDWELL, Canyon County, Idaho.—BOND ELECTION.**—An election has been called to vote on issuing \$100,000 American Legion Hall bonds.

**CALDWELL SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Caldwell), Noble County, Ohio.—BOND SALE.**—Well, Roth & Co. of Cincinnati, have been awarded at 101.18725, a basis of about 5.89%, the \$60,000 6% coupon school bldg. bonds, offered on March 11—V. 110, p. 890. Date March 1 1920. Due \$1,500 yearly on March 1 from 1921 to 1959, incl., and \$1,500 Feb. 1 1960.

**CANAL WINCHESTER, Franklin County, Ohio.—BIDS REJECTED.**—All bids received for the \$9,500 5½% High St. paving (village's share) bonds offered on May 3—V. 110, p. 1553—were rejected.

**CANTON, McPherson County, Kans.—BOND SALE.**—On March 8 the \$37,000 water and \$18,000 light 5% bonds—V. 109, p. 2457—were sold to the Butler County State Bank of Eldorado at par. Denom. \$500. Date Jan. 1 1920. Int. J. & J. Due \$3,000 yearly beginning Jan. 1 1922.

**CANTON SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 1 (P. O. Canton), St. Lawrence County, N. Y.—BOND SALE.**—On Oct. 15 last, Sherwood & Merrifield, of New York, were awarded at 100.20, a basis of about 4.72%, an issue of \$16,000 4½% heating and plumbing system bonds. Denom. \$500 and \$1,000. Dated Oct. 1 1919. Int. A. & O. Due \$2,500 yrly on Oct. 1 from 1928 to 1933, incl.

**CARBON COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 1 (P. O. Red Lodge) Mont.—BONDS VOTED.**—On April 24 the \$60,000 school-building bond—V. 110, p. 1662—were voted.

**CARROLL COUNTY (P. O. Delphi), Ind.—NO BIDS RECEIVED.**—No bids were received for the \$8,000 4½% road impt. bonds offered on April 27.—V. 110, p. 1771.

**CHARLOTTE COUNTY (P. O. Charlotte Court House), Va.—BOND OFFERING.**—Sealed bids will be received until 12 m. May 17 by the Board of Supervisors, for the following 6% coupon bonds:  
\$120,000 Madison Magisterial District bonds. Denom. \$1,000. Due as follows: \$10,000, 1925; \$12,000, 1930; \$15,000, 1935; \$20,000, 1940; \$23,000, 1945; \$30,000, 1950; and \$10,000, 1954.  
35,500 Roanoke Magisterial District bonds. Denoms. 25 for \$1,000, and 1 for \$500. Due as follows: \$5,000, 1925; \$5,000, 1930; \$5,000, 1935; \$7,500, 1940; \$5,500, 1945; and \$7,500, 1950.

Date July 1 1920. Prin. and semi-ann. int. payable at the office of the County Treasurer. Cert. check for 1% of the amount of bid payable to the Board of Supervisors, required. Bonds to be prepared and furnished by the purchaser at his expense.

**CIRCLEVILLE, Pickaway County, Ohio.—BOND SALE.**—The \$9,500 5½% sanitary sewer extension bonds, offered on April 23—V. 110, p. 1553—were awarded to the First National Bank of Circleville, at par and int. Due \$500 each six months from March 1 1921 to March 1 1930, incl.

**CLEVES, Hamilton County, Ohio.—BOND OFFERING.**—Proposals will be received until 12 m. June 4 by R. R. Robinson, Village Clerk, for \$5,000 5½% street refunding bonds. Auth. Sec. 3918-3917 Gen. Code. Denom. \$500. Date May 1 1920. Prin. and semi-ann. int. payable at the Hamilton County National Bank of Cleves. Due \$500 yearly on May 1 from 1921 to 1930, incl. Cert. check for 5% of amount of bonds bid for, payable to the Village Treasurer, required. Bonds to be delivered and paid for within 10 days from date of award.. Purchaser to pay accrued interest.

**CLINTON SCHOOL CITY (P. O. Clinton), Ind.—BOND SALE.**—J. F. Wild & Co., of Indianapolis, have purchased and are now offering to investors at par, an issue of \$130,000 5% tax-free school bldg. bonds. Denom. \$1,000. Date April 6 1920. Prin. and semi-ann. int. (J. & J.), payable at the Clinton Trust Co., of Clinton. Due yearly on July 1 as follows: \$8,000 1921 to 1925, incl., and \$9,000 1926 to 1935, incl. Total debt (incl. this issue), \$154,000; assessed value, \$7,800,000.

**COAL GROVE SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Coal Grove), Lawrence County, Ohio.—BOND OFFERING.**—Charles Sheppard, Clerk of Board of Education, will receive proposals until 12 m. May 26 for \$4,000 5% school refunding bonds. Auth. Sec. 7629, Gen. Code. Denom. \$500. Date Mar. 29 1920. Int. semi-ann. Due Mar. 29 1929. Certified check for \$200, payable to the Board of Education, required.

**COLUMBUS CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Columbus), Franklin County, Ohio.—BONDS NOT SOLD.**—The \$1,170,000 5% school-building bonds, offered on May 1—V. 110, p. 1772—were not sold, as no bids were received.



**DALLAS, Dallas County, Tex.—BONDS TO BE OFFERED.**—The \$1,500,000 school, \$400,000 sewer, \$400,000 water, \$225,000 hospital improvement and \$175,000 municipal abattoir 5% 40-year serial bonds, voted at the election held on April 6—V. 110, p. 1662—will be offered for sale about May 30 1920. Date May 1 1920. Int. semi-ann. E. B. Reppert is Commissioner of Finance and Revenue.

**DAYTONA, Volusia County, Fla.—BOND OFFERING.**—According to reports George F. Crouch, City Clerk, will receive bids until 12 m. May 15 for the \$450,000 5% paving and drainage bonds offered without success on Feb. 3.—V. 110, p. 1109.

**DEER LODGE COUNTY (P. O. Anaconda), Mont.—BOND SALE.**—It is reported that on May 5 the \$150,000 highway bonds were awarded to the Daly Bank & Trust Co. of Anaconda at par for 6s. Date April 1 1920. Due yearly on Jan. 1 as follows: \$7,000, 1922 and 1923, and \$8,000, 1924 to 1940, incl., each bond redeemable at the option of county on the interest paying date occurring 1 year prior to the maturity thereof.

**DELEWARE, Delaware County, Ohio.—BOND OFFERING.**—Proposals will be received until 12 m. May 22 by F. D. King, City Auditor, for the following 6% coupon bonds: \$5,800 judgment bonds. Denoms. 11 for \$500, 1 for \$300. Due \$300 March 1 1922, and \$500 each six months from Sept. 1 1922 to Sept. 1 1927, incl. 22,000 funding bonds. Denom. \$500. Due \$1,000 each six months, from March 1 1922 to Sept. 1 1932, incl. Date April 1 1920. Prin. and semi-ann. int. payable at Delaware.

**DES MOINES, Union County, N. Mex.—BOND SALE.**—It is reported that Keeler Bros., of Denver have bought the \$75,000 6% water bonds—V. 110, p. 1772—conditionally.

**DEER LODGE, Powell County, Mont.—BOND ELECTION PROPOSED.**—An issue of \$20,000 additional city hall bonds is being considered.

**DE WITT COUNTY ROAD DISTRICT NO. 4 (P. O. Cuero), Tex.—BOND OFFERING.**—Bids will be received until 10 a. m. May 11 by J. L. Boal, County Judge, for the \$40,000 5% 20-30 year road bonds, offered without success on April 27—V. 110, p. 1772. Denom. \$500. Date Oct. 10 1918. Int. semi-ann. (A. & O.), payable at the Hanover National Bank, N. Y., and at Cuero and Austin. Cert. check for \$800, required.

**DINUBA UNION HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT, Tulare County, Calif.—BOND SALE.**—On April 24 \$120,000 5% school bonds were sold to the First National Bank of Dinuba at par and int. Denom. \$1,000. Date March 27 1920. Int. semi-ann. A like amount of bonds was reported as sold in V. 110, p. 1447.

**DONORA BOROUGH SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Donora), Washington County, Pa.—BONDS NOT SOLD.**—No sale was made of the \$170,000 4¼% tax-free school bonds, offered on April 30—V. 110, p. 1662.

**DOUGLAS COUNTY (P. O. Omaha), Neb.—BONDS VALID.**—The "Omaha News" of April 17 states that the Nebraska Supreme Court, April 17, upheld the issuance of \$822,000 bonds—V. 110, p. 889—for repair to the Douglas County courthouse valid.

**DUNCAN, Stephens County, Okla.—BONDS VOTED.**—On April 27 \$30,000 water extension bonds were voted.

**DUNKIRK, Chautauqua County, N. Y.—BIDS REJECTED.**—The City Treasurer advises us that all bids received for the \$35,600 5% 1-5-yr. serial coupon bonds offered on May 4—V. 110, p. 1898—were rejected. The city unexpectedly received \$60,000 of its portion of the Mercantile and manufacturers tax, making the bond issue unnecessary.

**EAST CLEVELAND, Cuyahoga County, Ohio.—NO BIDS SUBMITTED.**—No bids were submitted for the \$38,000 6% special assessment street impt. and \$250,000 5½% hospital bonds offered on April 30—V. 110, p. 1662.

**EAST AURORA, Erie County, N. Y.—BOND OFFERING.**—Proposals will be received until 7:30 p. m. May 12 by D. N. Rumsey, Village Clerk, for the following registered bonds: \$10,800 5% Elm St. paving bonds. Due \$1,800 yearly on May 1 from 1923 to 1928, incl.

4,500 chemical-engine bonds, to bear interest at a rate not exceeding 6%. Due \$900 yearly on May 1 from 1921 to 1925, incl.

Date May 1 1920. Int. semi-ann. Certified check for 2% of amount of bonds bid for, required. Bids must be on blanks furnished by the Village Clerk. Bonds will be prepared under the supervision of the U. S. Mtge. & Trust Co. of N. Y., which will certify as to their genuineness; legality will be approved by Reed, Daugherty & Hoyt of New York.

**EDGERTON, Williams County, Ohio.—BONDS NOT SOLD.**—The \$19,750 6% special assessment street impt. bonds, offered on April 26—V. 110, p. 1663—were not sold.

**FALL RIVER, Bristol County, Mass.—BOND SALE.**—R. M. Grant & Co., and Merrill, Oldham & Co., of Boston, have purchased the following 5½% bonds: \$340,000 Highway bonds. Due \$68,000 yearly on April 1 from 1921 to 1925, incl.

140,000 Sewer bonds. Due yearly on April 1 as follows: \$5,000, 1921 to 1940, incl.; and \$4,000, 1941 to 1950, incl.

220,000 Public Improvement bonds. Due \$22,000 yearly on April 1 from 1921 to 1930, incl.

These bonds are being offered to investors at prices to yield from 5% to 5.25%.

**FLORENCE COUNTY (P. O. Florence), So. Caro.—BOND OFFERING.**—Bids will be received until 12 m. May 14 by A. L. Ervin, County Supervisor, for \$80,000 funding and \$270,000 highway and bridge 2-30-year serial bonds at not exceeding 6% int. Date April 1 1920. Prin. and semi-ann. int. (A. & O.) payable at some bank in New York City, N. Y. Cert. check for \$5,000 required.

**FORT BENTON, Chouteau County, Mont.—BOND OFFERING.**—W. S. Towner, City Clerk, will sell at public auction 10 a. m. June 1 \$16,500 6% 10-20-year (opt.) funding bonds. Denom. \$500. Date June 1 1920. Prin. and semi-ann. int. payable at the office of the City Treasurer or at the option of holder at some bank in New York to be designated by the City Treasurer. Cert. check on some national bank for \$1,000, payable to the City Treasurer, required. Purchaser to pay accrued interest.

**FRAMINGHAM, Middlesex County, Mass.—TEMPORARY LOAN.**—On May 4 the temporary loan of \$100,000, issued in anticipation of revenue, dated May 4 and maturing Nov. 10 1920—V. 110, p. 1898—was awarded to the Fremont Trust Co. of Boston, on a 5.50% discount basis.

**FRUITDALE SCHOOL DISTRICT, Kern County, Calif.—BOND OFFERING.**—On May 17 \$5,000 6% school bonds will be offered for sale.

**FULTON COUNTY (P. O. Rochester), Ind.—BOND OFFERING.**—Proposals will be received until 3 p. m. May 10 by H. B. Kumlter, County Treasurer, for the following 4½% road bonds: \$23,000 Geo. Rentschler et al Liberty Twp. bonds. Denom. \$1,150.

15,150 Frank Dillman et al Henry Twp. bonds. Denom. \$757.50.

3,750 O. M. Powell et al Rochester Twp. bonds. Denom. \$187.50.

Date April 1 1920. Int. M. & N. Due one bond of each issue semi-annually from May 15 1921 to Nov. 15 1930, incl.

**GARFIELD COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 1 (P. O. Glenwood Springs), Colo.—BOND ELECTION POSTPONED.**—The election called for May 3 to vote on \$190,000 school bonds—V. 110, p. 1773—has been postponed until May 10.

**GAUGA COUNTY (P. O. Chardon), Ohio.—BOND OFFERING.**—Proposals will be received until 12 m. May 10 by H. E. Leach, County Auditor, for \$8,000 5% I. C. H. No. 15 bonds. Denoms. \$500 and \$200. Date May 1 1920. Prin. and semi-ann. int. payable at the County Treasury. Due \$200 on May 1 and Nov. 1 in 1921 and 1922; \$200 on May 1 and \$400 on Nov. 1 in 1923; \$500 on May 1 and Nov. 1 in 1924, 1925, 1926, 1927, 1928 and 1929, and \$600 May 1 1930. Certified check for \$800, payable to the County Treasurer, required.

**GLOUCESTER, Essex County, Mass.—BOND SALE.**—The \$35,000 5% highway and drainage bonds offered on May 5—V. 110, p. 1898—were awarded on that date to Coffin & Burr of Boston at 100.593, a basis of about 4.83%. Denom. \$1,000. Date May 1 1920. Int. M. & N. Due yearly on May 1 as follows: \$4,000 1921 to 1925, incl., and \$3,000 1926 to 1930, inclusive.

**GOLDSBORO, Wayne County, No. Caro.—BOND OFFERING.**—Sealed bids will be received until 12 m. June 1 by C. M. Grantham, City Clerk, for \$325,000 5½% and 5¼% coupon (with privilege of registration)

street-improvement bonds. Denom. \$1,000. Date April 1 1920. Prin. and semi-ann. int. (A. & O.) payable at the Hanover National Bank, N. Y. Due yearly on April 1 as follows: \$17,000 1923 to 1927, incl., and \$40,000 1928 to 1933, incl. Certified check or cash on an incorporated bank or trust company for 2% of the amount of bonds bid for, payable to the city of Goldsboro, required. The successful bidders will be furnished with the opinion of Reed, Dougherty & Hoyt of N. Y. that the bonds are valid and binding obligations of the City of Goldsboro and the bonds will be prepared under the supervision of the U. S. Mtge. & Trust Co., N. Y., which will certify as to the genuineness of the signatures of the city officials and the seal impressed on the bonds. Bids for 5¼% bonds will not be considered if a proper bid or bids be received for all of the bonds as 5½% bonds. Purchaser to pay accrued interest.

The official notice of this bond offering will be found among the advertisements elsewhere in this Department.

**GRAHAM COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 1 (P. O. Safford), Ariz.—BONDS VOTED.**—On April 16 by 94 "for" to 55 "against" \$50,000 grammar school bonds were voted.

**GRANT CITY CONSOLIDATED SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 3 (P. O. Herman), Minn.—BOND OFFERING.**—According to newspaper reports bids will be received until 11 a. m. May 11 by F. C. Anderson, Clerk Board of Education, for the \$125,000 5½% school building bonds—V. 110, p. 279. Date Dec. 1 1919. Int. J. & D. Due yearly on Dec. 1 as follows: \$5,000, 1924 to 1933, incl., and \$75,000, 1934. Cert. check for 10% of amount bid, payable to the Treasurer Board of Education, required.

**GREENE COUNTY (P. O. Springfield), Mo.—BONDS DEFEATED.**—On April 5 the \$1,500,000 road bonds—V. 110, p. 1448—were voted down.

**GREENE COUNTY (P. O. Monroe), Wis.—BONDS NOT SOLD.**—The \$125,000 5% 1-year highway bonds offered on May 1—V. 110, p. 1898 were not sold.

**GREENE SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Greene), Butler County, Iowa.—BONDS VOTED.**—An issue of \$105,000 school bonds, carried by a heavy majority, it is stated, on April 15.

**GREEN TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Laings), Monroe County, Ohio.—BOND OFFERING.**—Proposals will be received until 12 m. May 15 by Jacob M. Clegg, Clerk of Board of Education, for \$6,000 6% school bonds. Auth. Sec. 7625-7627 Gen. Code. Denom. \$100. Date May 1 1920. Int. payable yearly on May 1. Due \$600 yearly on Oct. 1 from 1922 to 1931, incl. Cert. check for 10% of amount of bid, payable to the above clerk, required.

**GREENVILLE SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Greenville), Greenville County, So. Caro.—BOND OFFERING.**—Proposals will be received until May 31 by Geo. W. Sirmione, Sec. of School Board, for \$250,000 5% 20-yr. school bonds. Denom. \$1,000. Date July 1 1920. Due July 1 1940.

**HAINES CITY, Polk County, Fla.—BOND OFFERING.**—The Town of Haines City invites bids until 12 m. May 20 for the purchase of \$60,000 street impt. bonds, dated Jan. 1 1920. The bonds will be in denoms. of \$1,000, maturing 30 years from date and bearing 5% interest, payable semi-annually at a place selected by purchaser and agreeable to the Board of Bond Trustees. Cert. check for \$500, required.

**HARDIN COUNTY (P. O. Kenton), Ohio.—BOND OFFERING.**—Dean C. Jones, County Auditor, will receive proposals until 12 m. to-day (May 8) for the \$17,860 5% Geiger Pike bonds offered unsuccessfully on March 29—V. 110, p. 1448. Denom. 16 for \$1,000 and 1 for \$1,860. Date day of sale. Prin. and semi-ann. int. (M. & N.) payable at the County Treasurer's office. Due yearly on May 8 as follows: \$4,000, 1921; \$5,000, 1922; \$4,000, 1923 and \$4,860, 1924. Cert. check for \$500 required. Bonds to be delivered and paid for at the County Treasurer's office within 15 days from date of award. Purchaser to pay accrued interest.

**HARRISON COUNTY (P. O. Clarksburg), W. Va.—BOND ELECTION PROPOSED.**—It is stated that initial steps toward a \$4,000,000 good roads bond issue campaign, the largest ever undertaken by any West Virginia county, were taken at a conference held in Clarksburg on April 29 between the Harrison county good roads committee and the County Court. It is planned to circulate petitions and have a special election for authority to issue the bonds in the near future. The road program agreed upon contemplates the permanent improvement of the main roads leading from Clarksburg to each of the seven surrounding counties.

**HASTINGS, Adams County, Neb.—BOND OFFERING.**—Sealed proposals will be received until 5 p. m. May 24 by A. T. Bratton, City Clerk, for the following bonds—V. 110, p. 1663:

\$100,000 auditorium bonds. Due in 20 years subject to call in numerical order commencing with bond No. 1 on any int. paying date after 5 years from date.

75,000 park bonds. Due in 20 years subject to call in numerical order commencing with bond No. 1 on any int. paying date after 5 years from date.

Denom. \$1,000. Int. semi-ann. Cert. check on a responsible bank for 5% payable to A. M. Campbell, City Treasurer, required. Total debt April 1 1920, \$329,000. Total assessed value \$2,651,944. Actual value, \$13,259,720. Population, 12,000. Official circular states that no bonds of the city have been defaulted or contested, and there is no litigation pending or threatened, affecting the status of the city in any way, or the status or title of any city officer.

**HAYWARD, Alameda County, Calif.—BOND SALE.**—On Feb. 27 the Anglo & London, Paris National Bank purchased \$200,000 5% 40-year water system bonds at par. Denom. \$1,000. Date Jan. 1 1920. Int. J. & J.

**HEMPSTEAD (TOWN) UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 22 (P. O. Floral Park), Nassau County, N. Y.—NO BIDDERS.**—There were no bidders for the \$152,000 5% school bonds offered on April 28—V. 110, p. 1773.

**HENDRICKS COUNTY (P. O. Danville), Ind.—BOND SALE.**—The \$27,000 4½% Henry Hunt et al Marion Twp. road bonds, offered on March 1—V. 110, p. 891—have been purchased by F. F. Wild & Co. of Indianapolis. Denom. \$1,350. Date Feb. 15 1920. Prin. and semi-ann. int. (M. & N.), payable at the County Treasurer's office. Due \$1,350 each six months from May 15 1921 to Nov 15 1920, incl.

**HENNEPIN COUNTY (P. O. Minneapolis), Minn.—BONDS NOT SOLD.—BONDS RE-OFFERED.**—No bids were submitted on May 3 for the \$50,000 bridge bonds—V. 110, p. 1898.

The above bonds are now being re-offered for sale at 11 a. m. on May 17.

**HENNEPIN COUNTY CONSOLIDATED SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 143 (P. O. Franklin), Minn.—BOND OFFERING.**—Proposals will be received until 7 p. m. May 17 by D. E. Loomis, Clerk (P. O. 407-417 Marquette Ave., Minneapolis, Minn.) for \$50,000 5½% bonds. Date May 1 1920. Prin. and semi-ann. int. payable at the Northwestern National Bank, Minneapolis. Due May 1 1935, optional on May 1 1925 or upon any int. paying date thereafter before maturity. Cert. check for \$5,000, payable to the District Treasurer, required. The approving opinion of J. M. Martin, attorney, of Minneapolis, will be delivered to the purchaser with the bonds at time of sale. Purchaser to pay accrued interest.

**HIGHLAND PARK, Wayne County, Mich.—BOND OFFERING.**—Proposals will be received until 8 p. m. May 17 by Delmer C. Gowing, City Clerk, for \$200,000 hospital bonds, to bear interest at 4¼%, 4¾%, or 5%, upon which rates bids are to be based. Denom. \$1,000. Date June 1 1920. Prin. and semi-ann. int. payable at the Highland Park State Bank, of Highland Park. Due June 1 1940. Cert. check for \$500, required.

**HILLSBORO, Highland County, Ohio.—BOND OFFERING.**—Sealed bids for an issue of \$9,000 5½% coupon motor fire engine truck bonds will be received until 12 m. May 31 by B. E. Ervin, Village Clerk. Denom. 6 for \$1,000 and 6 for \$500. Date March 1 1920. Int. M. & S. Due \$500 yearly on Sept. 1 from 1920 to 1925, incl.; and \$1,000 yearly on March 1 from 1921 to 1926, incl. Purchaser to pay accrued interest.

**HOLGATE SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Holgate), Henry County, Ohio.—BOND OFFERING.**—C. C. Burk, Clerk of the Board of Education, will receive bids until 12 m. May 17 for the \$100,000 6% school building bonds, voted on March 23—V. 110, p. 1448. Denom. \$1,000. Date April 1 1920. Int. A. & O. Due \$6,000 on April 1 and Oct. 1 in the years 1921 to 1925, incl.; \$2,000 on April 1 and \$1,000 on Oct. 1 in the years



1926 to 1930, incl.; \$2,000 on April 1 and Oct. 1 in the years 1931 to 1935, incl.; \$3,000 on April 1 and \$2,000 on Oct. 1 in the years 1936 to 1938, incl.; \$3,000 on April 1 and Oct. 1 in the years 1939 to 1941, incl.; \$4,000 on April 1 and \$3,000 on Oct. 1 in the years 1942 and 1943; and \$4,000 on April 1 and Oct. 1 in 1944. Cert. check for 10% of amount of bonds bid for, payable to the Board of Education, required. Purchaser to pay accrued interest.

HOWARD COUNTY (P. O. Kokomo), Ind.—NO BIDS RECEIVED.—No bids were received for the 3 issues of 4 1/2% road bonds aggregating \$21,400, which were offered on April 30.—V. 110, p. 1773.

HUTCHINSON, Reno County, Kans.—BOND SALE.—It is stated that \$30,000 4 1/2% fire station bonds were sold to the Fontrom Loan and Trust Co. of Hutchinson at par.

IDAHO (State of).—NO BIDS.—At the recent offering of \$52,000 bonds V. 110, p. 1663—to improve the Lava Hot Springs natatorium no bids were received.

IMPERIAL IRRIGATION DISTRICT (P. O. El Centro), Imperial County, Calif.—BIDS REJECTED—BONDS RE-OFFERED.—The following bids were received on April 27 for the \$500,000 5 1/2% school bonds—V. 110, p. 1663: Anglo & London Paris Natl. Bank of Italy.....\$435,500 Frank & Lewis.....\$428,750 Blank'n, Hunter, Dulm Co. These bids were rejected and the bonds will be re-offered for sale on May 20.

INDIANA BORO SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Indiana), Indiana County, Pa.—NO BIDDERS.—There were no bidders for the \$100,000 4 1/2% tax-free school-building bonds offered on Apr. 29.—V. 110, p. 1663.

JACKSON COUNTY (P. O. Jackson), Ohio.—BOND SALE.—The \$35,500 5 1/2% inter-county highway No. 364 improvement bonds, offered on May 1—V. 110, p. 1774—were awarded to the First National Bank of Jackson at par and interest. Due \$7,000 yearly on May 1 from 1921 to 1924, incl., and \$7,500 May 1 1925.

JACKSON SCHOOL TOWNSHIP (P. O. Camden), Carroll County, Ind.—BOND OFFERING.—Joseph C. Sink, Township Trustee, will receive bids until 2 p. m. May 20 for \$48,000 6% coupon school-building bonds. Denom. \$500. Date June 15 1920. Int. J. & D., payable at the Farmers State Bank of Camden. Due yearly on Dec. 15 as follows: \$4,000, 1921 & 1922; \$5,000, 1923 to 1930, incl. Certified check for \$48,000, plus the premium offered, if any, payable to the above trustee, required. A similar issue of bonds was offered on April 20.—V. 110, p. 1663.

JAMESTOWN, Chataqua County, N. Y.—BOND SALE.—On May 3 the 2 issues of coupon or registered bonds offered on that date—V. 110, p. 1898—were awarded to the National City Co. of New York at 100.519, as follows:

\$400,000 1-40-year serial water bonds as 5/8s, a basis of about 5.20%. Due \$10,000 yearly on May 1 from 1921 to 1960, incl. 250,000 1-25-year serial lighting bonds as 5/8s, a basis of about 5.44%. Due \$10,000 yearly on May 1 from 1921 to 1945, incl. Thayer, Drew & Co. bid 101.699 for both issues at 5 1/2%. Sherwood & Merrifield offered 100.689 for both issues at 5 1/2%. Harris, Forbes & Co. bid 100.423 for both issues at 5 1/2%. O'Brien, Potter & Co. bid 101 for both issues at 6%. Geo. B. Gibbons & Co. 100.17 at 5 1/2% for the \$250,000 lighting bonds, 100.17 for \$300,000 5 1/2% water bonds maturing from 1921 to 1950, and par for \$100,000 5% water bonds maturing from 1951 to 1960.

JEFFERSON, Ashtabula County, Ohio.—BOND ELECTION.—An election is to be held May 22, it is stated, for the purpose of voting on a proposition to issue \$55,000 municipal light plant bonds.

JENNINGS COUNTY (P. O. Vernon), Ind.—BOND SALE.—The \$10,782.50 6% 1-10-yr. serial Storm Creek Drainage bonds, offered on March 1.—V. 110, p. 582—were awarded to the City Trust Co. of Indianapolis, at par.

JOHNSON CITY, Washington County, Tenn.—BOND OFFERING.—Bids will be received until 12 m. May 31, it is reported, by R. C. Warren, City Treasurer, for \$150,000 5% 11-20-year serial school bonds. Int. semi-ann. Cert. check for 2 1/2% required.

JOHNSON COUNTY (P. O. Franklin), Ind.—BOND SALE.—The \$15,800 4 1/2% Wm. Keaton et al Niveveh Twp. road bonds offered on Apr. 26—V. 110, p. 1774—have been sold, according to reports, to the Franklin National Bank of Franklin at par. Denom. \$790. Date May 1 1920. Int. M. & N. Due \$790 each six months from May 15 1921 to Nov. 15 1930, incl.

JOLIET SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Joliet), Wiel County, Ill.—BOND SALE.—On April 30 the \$200,000 5% coupon school bonds, offered on that date—V. 110, p. 1774—were awarded to the Continental & Commercial Trust & Savings Bank, and A. B. Leach & Co., both of Chicago, at 96.2625 a basis of about 5.39%. Due \$20,000 July 1 1930, and \$30,000 yearly on July 1 from 1931 to 1936, incl.

JOPLIN, Jasper County, Mo.—BONDS NOT SOLD.—No sale was made of the \$291,500 5% sanitary sewer bonds offered May 4—V. 110, p. 1898.

The above bonds will be reoffered for sale later on.

KAHLER, Sheboygan County, Wis.—BONDS TO BE SOLD LOCALLY.—We are advised by E. Albrecht, Village Clerk, that \$69,500 5% bonds recently voted will be sold locally. Denom. \$100, \$500 and \$1,000. Int. A. & O.

KEARNEY SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Kearney), Buffalo County, Neb.—BOND OFFERING.—Bids will be received until 8 p. m. May 20 by the Secretary Board of Education, for the \$125,000 6% 10-30-year (opt.) coupon school-building bonds—V. 110, p. 1664. Denom. \$1,000. Date May 1 1920. Int. M. & N., payable at the office of the County Treasurer. Due May 1 1950, optional after 10 years. Cert. check for 1%, payable to the Secretary, required.

KEMMERER SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 1 (P. O. Kemmer), Lincoln County, Wyo.—BOND SALE.—The \$75,000 6% 1-17 year serial bonds, dated May 1 1920, offered on May 1—V. 110, p. 1555—have been taken, it is reported, by the State of Wyoming at par.

KING COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 162, Wash.—BOND SALE.—The State of Washington was awarded on May 3 the \$75,000 coupon school bonds—V. 110, p. 1774—it is reported, at par.

LAUDERDALE COUNTY (P. O. Ripley), Tenn.—BOND SALE.—Reports say that on May 1 the First National Bank of Ripley and the Bank of Halls purchased \$100,000 6% 20-year road bonds at 100.756.

LAUREL SCHOOL DISTRICT, Orange County, Calif.—BOND OFFERING.—Sealed proposals will be received by J. M. Backs, County Clerk (P. O. Santa Ana) for \$40,000 6% school bonds until 11 a. m. May 11. Denom. \$1,000. Date June 1 1920. Int. semi-ann., payable at the office of the County Treasurer. Due \$2,000 yearly from 1921 to 1940, incl. Cert. or cashier's check for 3% of the amount of said bonds or of the portion thereof bid for, payable to the Chairman Board of County Supervisors, required. Total value of taxable property (exclusive of operative property), 1919, \$867,015.

LAURENS COUNTY (P. O. Laurens), So. Caro.—BOND SALE.—It is stated that C. T. Frick of Columbia purchased \$150,000 5% 20-year road bonds.

LEWIS & CLARKE COUNTY (P. O. Helena), Mont.—BOND SALE.—We are informed that the \$100,000 6% public highway and bridge bonds offered on April 27—V. 110, p. 1449—have been sold to the Montana Trust and Sav. Bank of Helena at 102.19.

LEWISTOWN, Fergus County, Mont.—BONDS VOTED.—On Apr. 23 by a light vote \$100,000 water and \$40,000 bridge bonds carried.

LIBERTY SCHOOL TOWNSHIP (P. O. Buffalo), White County, Ind.—NO BIDS RECEIVED.—No bids were received for the \$35,000 5% school bonds offered on Apr. 27.—V. 110, p. 1664.

LIBERTY SCHOOL TOWNSHIP (P. O. Greentown), Howard County, Ind.—BOND OFFERING.—John S. Hall, Township Trustee, will receive proposals until 2 p. m. May 14 for \$39,300 5 1/2% school bonds. Denoms. 75 for \$500 and 15 for \$120. Date July 20 1920. Prin. and semi-ann. int. (J. & J.) payable at the State Bank of Greentown. Due \$2,620 yearly on Jan. 20 from 1921 to 1935, incl. Cert. check for \$150 required.

LIBERAL SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Liberal), Seward County, Kans.—BONDS VOTED.—On April 28 the \$230,000 school bonds—V. 110, p. 1499—carried.

LIMA, Allen County, Ohio.—NOTE SALE.—The \$250,000 6% 5-year Colett St. sewer notes, which were offered unsuccessfully on Apr. 19—V. 110, p. 1774—have been purchased by Spitzer, Korick & Co., of Toledo, who are now offering them to investors at a price to yield 5.40%. Denom. \$1,000. Date May 1 1920. Int. M. & S. Due May 1 1925.

LINCOLN, Lancaster County, Neb.—BONDS VOTED.—On April 28 the \$300,000 light bonds—V. 110, p. 1664—were voted.

LOGAN TOWNSHIP (P. O. Buckland), Anglaize County, Ohio.—BOND SALE.—On April 27 the People's National Bank of Wapakoneta, purchased, at par, an issue of \$6,522 6% Amanda-Mendon Road Impt. bonds. Denom. \$1,087. Date March 1 1920. Int. M. & S. Due \$1,087 on March 1 and Sept. 1 in 1921, and \$2,174 on March 1 and Sept. 1 in 1922.

LORAIN SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Lorain), Lorain County, Ohio.—BONDS VOTED.—The \$1,000,000 school building bonds issue carried by a vote of 1,207 to 422 at the election held April 27.—V. 110, p. 1774.

LOWER MARION TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Ardmore), Montgomery County, Pa.—BOND SALE.—On May 5 the \$100,000 (18 2-5 year (aver.) coupon tax-free school bonds offered on that date—V. 110, p. 1664—were awarded to Frazier & Co. and M. M. Freeman & Co. of Philadelphia, at 100.27 for 4 1/2s, a basis of about 4.72%. Denom. \$1,000. Date June 1 1920. Int. J. & D. Due \$15,000 on June 1 in 1925, 1930, 1935 and 1940; \$20,000 on June 1 1945, and Dec. 1 1949.

McMAHON SCHOOL DISTRICT, Caldwell County, Tex.—BOND SALE.—The \$7,000 5% 10-40-year (opt.) school building bonds offered. March 15—V. 110, p. 1110—have been taken by the State Board of Education at par. Denom. \$100. Date April 10 1920. Int. annually.

MARICOPA COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 11, Ariz.—BOND OFFERING.—Proposals will be received until 9.30 a. m. May 17 by the Clerk Board of County Supervisors (P. O. Peoria) for \$200,000 6% grammar and high school bonds. Denom. \$500 and \$1,000. Due in 20 years.

MARINE CITY, St. Clair County, Mich.—BOND SALE.—The \$380,000 public impt. bonds, voted at a recent election—V. 110, p. 1774—have been sold to the Detroit Trust Co. of Detroit.

MARION COUNTY (P. O. Columbia), Miss.—BOND SALE.—The Citizens Bank and the Columbia Bank, both of Columbia, bidding jointly, were awarded on March 5 \$200,000 5 1/2% good-road bonds at par and int. Denom. \$500. Date July 1 1913. Int. J. & J. Due \$40,000 yearly on July 1 from 1921 to 1925, incl.

MATAGORDA COUNTY ROAD DISTRICT NO. 1 (P. O. Bay City), Tex.—BOND OFFERING.—This county will receive bids for the purchase of \$25,000 road bonds. These bonds have been approved by John O. Thomson of N. Y. Bids to be received not later than 10 a. m. May 10. W. E. Davant is District Attorney.

MEDFORD, Middlesex County, Mass.—TEMPORARY LOAN.—On May 7, according to reports, a temporary loan of \$100,000, maturing \$50,000 Dec. 20 1920 and \$50,000 Jan. 15 1921, was awarded to Goldman, Sachs & Co., on a 5.93% discount basis.

MEDFORD IRRIGATION DISTRICT (P. O. Medford), Jackson County, Ore.—BOND OFFERING.—Further details are at hand relative to the offering on May 15 of the \$1,250,000 6% 5-40-year gold serial bonds—V. 110, p. 1899. Bids for these bonds will be received until 11 a. m. on that day by E. M. Wilson, Secretary Board of Directors. Denom. not less than \$100 nor more than \$1,000. Prin. and semi-ann. int. (J. & J) payable at the place to be designated respectively in the bonds and coupons, said place to be in the United States, and to be designated by the successful bidder or bidders.

MERCER COUNTY (P. O. Celina), Ohio.—BONDS VOTED.—The people voted in the affirmative on the proposition to issue the \$500,000 court house bonds mentioned in V. 110, p. 1110. The vote was 2,510 "for" and 2,132 "against."

METTER, Candler County, Ga.—BOND OFFERING.—According to newspapers sealed bids will be received until May 15 by L. C. Anderson, Mayor, for \$35,000 5% water-works bonds. Denom. \$500. Date May 1 1920.

MIDDLEPORT, Meigs County, Ohio.—BOND OFFERING.—Proposals will be received until 12 m. May 17 by F. M. Sisson, Village Clerk, for \$43,000 5 1/2% refunding bonds. Denom. \$1,000. Date July 15, 1920. Int. semi-ann. Due yearly on July 1 as follows: \$2,000, 1921; \$3,000, 1922; \$2,000, 1923 and 1924; \$3,000, 1925 and 1926; \$2,000, 1927 to 1940, incl. Purchaser to pay accrued interest.

MINNEAPOLIS, Minn.—BOND OFFERING.—George M. Link, Secretary Board of Estimate and Taxation, will receive sealed proposals for \$150,000 5% sewer coupon bonds, it is stated, until 2.30 p. m. May 12. Denom. \$1,000, \$500, \$100 and \$50. Date July 1 1920. Prin. and semi-ann. int. payable at the Fiscal Agency in New York or at the City Treasurer's office. Due \$5,000 yearly on July 1 from 1921 to 1950, incl. Cert. check for 2% of the bonds bid for, payable to the City Treas. required. The bonds will be delivered to the purchaser at the Bd. of Est. and Taxation in Minneapolis or elsewhere in U. S. at option of purchaser.

BOND SALE.—It is also stated that the \$388,724.43 5% 1-10 year serial parkway impt. bonds offered on April 30—V. 110, p. 1775—have been awarded as follows:

\$200,000.00 bonds to the Minneapolis Trust Co., Minneapolis. 10,000.00 bonds to the Midland National Bank, Minneapolis. 93,724.43 bonds to the Minnesota Loan & Trust Co., Minneapolis. 30,000.00 bonds to the Lakewood Cemetery Association. 25,000.00 bonds to Chas. M. Loring. 25,000.00 bonds to Earl Brown. 5,000.00 bonds to the State Institute of Savings, Minneapolis.

MITCHELL, Davison County, So. Dak.—NO BIDS RECEIVED.—On May 3 no bids were submitted for the \$75,000 water-works and \$50,000 sewer 10-20 year (opt.) bonds.—V. 110, p. 1775.

MONROE COUNTY (P. O. Bloomington), Ind.—BOND SALE.—J. F. Wild & Co. of Indianapolis have purchased \$17,000 4 1/2% Perry Twp. road bonds. Denom. \$850. Date Feb. 3 1920. Prin. and semi-ann. int. (M. & N.), payable at the County Treasurer's office. Due \$850 each six months from May 15 1921 to Nov 15 1930, incl.

MONTGOMERY, Montgomery County, Ala.—BONDS VOTED.—Voters of Montgomery gave a majority of 5 to 1, it is stated, at the special election held April 27, in favor of the issuance of bonds to the amount of \$1,000,000 for improvements in the public school system, \$250,000 for the payment of the floating debt, \$150,000 for improvements in the municipal water works, and \$50,000 for improvements in sanitation.

MONTGOMERY COUNTY (P. O. Dayton), Ohio.—BOND SALE.—The \$18,000 5 1/2% 1-9-year serial emergency bridge bonds offered on Mar. 6—V. 110, p. 892—have been sold to the Detroit Trust Co. of Detroit at par. Date Mar. 1 1920. Due \$2,000 yearly on Mar. 1 from 1921 to 1929 inclusive.

MORRISTOWN, Hambleton County, Tenn.—BOND SALE.—On April 2 J. C. Mayer & Co. of Cincinnati were awarded at par \$115,500 20-year general impt. and \$101,000 (about 7 1/2 years aver.) street impt. 6% bonds. Denom. \$1,000. Date Jan. 1 1920. Int. J. & J.

MT. AIRY, Carroll County, Md.—BONDS VOTED.—At an election held May 3, it is stated, the people voted, 115 to 47, in favor of the issuance of \$22,000 street impt. and water supply bonds.

MUSKOGON SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Muskogon), Muskogon County, Mich.—BOND SALE.—On April 20 an issue of \$200,000 6-15-year serial 5 1/2% coupon school building bonds was awarded to the Continental & Commercial Trust & Savings Bank of Chicago, at 100.60, a basis of about 5.42%. Denom. \$1,000. Date May 1 1920. Prin. and semi-ann. int. (M. & N.) payable at the Continental & Commercial Trust Co Savings Bank of Chicago. Due \$20,000 yearly on May 1 from 1926 to 1935, incl. Bonded debt (incl. this issue) \$466,400. Assessed value, \$26,215,000.

These bonds are now being offered to investors at a price to yield about 5.25%.



NEW ORLEANS, La.—CERTIFICATE SALE.—A syndicate composed of the Whitney-Central National Bank, Hibernia Bank & Trust Co., Canal Bank & Trust Co., Commercial National Bank, Interstate Trust & Banking Co. and Marine Bank & Trust Co., has purchased the \$1,600,000 City of New Orleans paying certificates, offered unsuccessfully during February.—V. 110, p. 582.

NEWPORT, Newport County, R. I.—TEMPORARY LOAN.—On May 4 the Old Colony Trust Co. of Boston was awarded on a 5.90% discount basis, plus a premium of \$7 50, the temporary loan of \$75,000, dated May 6 and maturing Sept. 3 1920.—V. 110, p. 1900.

NEW YORK CITY, N. Y.—TEMPORARY LOANS.—During the month of April the following short-term securities, consisting of Revenue Bills, Special Revenue Bonds, and Corporate Stock, aggregating \$57,065,000 were issued.

Revenue Bills of 1920, Aggregating \$48,355,000. Table with columns: Amount, Int. Rate, Maturity, Date Sold. Lists various bond amounts and interest rates.

Special Revenue Bonds of 1920, Aggregating \$2,710,000. Table with columns: Amount, Int. Rate, Maturity, Date Sold. Lists smaller bond amounts.

Corporate Stock Notes, Aggregating \$6,000,000. Table with columns: Amount, Int. Rate, Maturity, Date Sold. Lists corporate stock notes.

SALE OF LONG TERM CORPORATE STOCK.—During the same period the following Gold Exempt Corporate Stock Notes were disposed of:

Table with columns: Amount, Int. Rate, Maturity, Date Sold. Lists long term corporate stock notes.

OCHOCO IRRIGATION DISTRICT (P. O. Prineville), Crook County, Ore.—BOND DESCRIPTION.—The \$100,000 6% 11-22-year serial bonds awarded on April 24 as reported in V. 110, p. 1900, are in denominations of \$500 and \$1,000. Date April 1 1920. Int. J. & J.

OIL CITY, Venango County, Pa.—BOND OFFERING.—Proposals for an issue of \$100,000 4 1/2% bonds will be received until 4 p. m. May 10 by W. W. Holt, City Treasurer. Date April 1 1920. Int. A. & O. Due yearly from 1925 to 1938. Cert. check for 1% of amount of bonds bid for required.

OXNARD DRAINAGE DISTRICT (P. O. Oxnard), Ventura County Calif.—BOND SALE.—We are advised by C. C. Ruppert, Secretary Board of Directors, that the \$130,000 6% 10-20-year drainage system bonds offered on April 28.—V. 110, p. 1665—have been sold to the Wm. R. Staats Co. and Blyth, Witter & Co., jointly, at par and int. Denom. \$500. Date Oct. 1 1919. Int. J. & J. The Secretary Board of Directors also has the following to say concerning the sale.

"Under the law the district could not sell the bonds except for par and accrued interest, therefore the contractor, 'Ross Construction Co.', of Sacramento will discount them at 94 naturally including that amount in their bid which was \$127,197 for work advertised. Contract awarded to the said construction company."

PARK COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 41, Mont.—BONDS VOTED.—By 92 "for" to 12 "against" \$35,000 high school bonds have been voted.

PEMBERTON SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Pemberton), Blue Earth County, Minn.—BOND SALE.—The State of Minnesota has purchased the \$90,000 school bonds recently voted.—V. 110, p. 1665.

PENN YAN, Yates County, N. Y.—BOND SALE.—The \$4,500 registered fire-truck purchase bonds, offered on May 1.—V. 110, p. 1775—were awarded to the Citizens Bank and the Baldwin's Bank of Penn Yan at par for 6s. Date May 1 1920. Due \$500 yearly on Oct. 1 from 1920 to 1928, inclusive.

PHILIP, Haakon County, So. Dak.—BONDS NOT SOLD.—Alvin Waggoner, City Auditor, advises us that the \$50,000 5% water-works and sewer bonds offered on April 30 were not sold. The city Auditor also ad-

vises us that "the limitation on the rate of interest in State of South Dakota is 5% and the law provides that bonds cannot be sold at a discount. As a result many South Dakota towns just now have voted bond issues which they are unable to sell. The Governor is about to call a special session of the Legislature, probably late in May, and one of the important matters to be taken up is legislation allowing a higher rate of interest on municipal bonds."

PHILLIPS COUNTY (P. O. Malta), Mont.—BONDS VOTED.—On April 23 the \$150,000 court house and \$150,000 highway bonds.—V. 110, p. 1111—were voted.

PIPE CREEK SCHOOL TOWNSHIP (P. O. Elwood), Madison County, Ind.—BOND OFFERING.—Proposals will be received until 2 p. m. May 20 by William H. Boone, Township Trustee, for \$110,000 6% coupon tax-free school building bonds. Denom. \$500. Date day of sale. Prin. and semi-ann. int. payable at the Elwood Trust Co. Due yearly on July 15 as follows: \$8,000, 1921 to 1925, incl., and \$7,000, 1926 to 1935, incl. Cert. check for 5% of amount of bonds bid for, payable to "Pipe Creek School Township," required. Purchaser to pay accrued int.

PITTSBURGH, Pa.—BOND OFFERING.—The 19 issues of 1-30-year serial coupon (with privilege of registration) bonds, aggregating \$7,281,000, which were offered unsuccessfully as 4 1/2s, on April 8, are being re-offered as 5s, bids being received this time until 3.15 p. m. May 18 by E. S. Morrow, City Controller. The several issues are described as follows: \$1,410,000 Second Ave. Impt. bonds. \$1,140,000 Boulevard of Allies Impt. bonds. Series "A." 861,000 Street Impt. bonds. Series "B." 777,000 Broad St. Impt. bonds. 351,000 Ferry St. Impt. bonds. 315,000 East Carson St. Impt. bonds. 300,000 East St. Impt. bonds. 270,000 Beechwood Boulevard Bridge bonds. 231,000 Highland Park Impt. bonds. 210,000 Saw Mill Run Sewer bonds. Series "A." 210,000 Negley Run Sewer bonds. Series "A." 135,000 So Run Sewer bonds. 99,000 Mayview City Home and Hospital Impt. bonds. 90,000 Nine Mile Run Sewer bonds. Series "A." 90,000 Island Ave. Bridge bonds. 90,000 Baker St. Impt. bonds. 30,000 Mt. Washington Roadway Impt. bonds. Series "A." 540,000 Funding bonds of 1920. 132,000 Warrington Ave. Impt. bonds. Demons. \$1,000, \$500 and \$100. Date Feb. 1 1920. Int. F. & A. Each issue will mature in 30 equal annual installments beginning Feb. 1 1921. Cert. check on a national bank or trust company for 2% of amount bid for, payable to the "City of Pittsburgh," required. Bids must be made upon blanks which may be obtained from the City Controller. The official circular states that there is no litigation pending or threatened concerning the validity of these bonds, the boundaries of the city or the titles of the officers to their respective offices. Favorable opinion of Hawkins Delafield & Longfellow of N. Y. will be furnished. Purchaser to pay accrued interest.

PITTSFIELD, Berkshire County, Mass.—LOAN OFFERING.—It is reported that the City Treasurer will receive proposals until 11 a. m. May 12 for a temporary loan of \$400,000, issued in anticipation of revenue. Dated May 12 and maturing \$200,000 on Nov. 19 and Dec. 3 1920.

POPLAR BLUFF SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 37 (P. O. Poplar), Butler County, Mo.—BOND SALE.—The \$30,000 5 1/2% 1-6-yea tax-free coupon school bonds recently voted.—V. 110, p. 1665—have been sold

PORTLAND, Ore.—BONDS AWARDED IN PART.—Of the \$250,000 5 1/2% 7-10-year (opt.) assessment collection bonds offered on May 3.—V. 110, p. 1776—\$77,000 bonds were awarded on that day. It is stated, as follows: \$27,000 bonds at par. \$50,000 bonds at 100.50. NO BIDS RECEIVED.—It is also stated that there were no bids submitted for the \$300,000 5 1/2% reconstruction bonds offered for sale on the same date.

PORTSMOUTH SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Portsmouth), Scioto County, Ohio.—BOND OFFERING.—Proposals will be received until 12 m. May 14 by William C. Hazlebeck, Clerk of Board of Education, for \$30,000 5 1/2% coupon school Impt. bonds. Denom. \$500. Date May 1 1920. Prin. and semi-ann. int. (M. & N.) payable at the First National Bank of Portsmouth. Due yearly on May 1 as follows: \$3,000, 1933; \$2,000, 1934 and 1935; \$4,000, 1936 and 1937, and \$5,000, 1938, 1939 and 1940. Cert. check on a solvent bank, for 5% of amount of bonds bid for, payable to the above clerk, required. Purchaser to pay accrued int.

POTOMAC, Alexandria County, Va.—BOND OFFERING.—At 8 p. m. on May 12, it is stated that John W. Varney, Mayor, will receive bids for the following 5, 5 1/2% and 6% bonds: \$20,000 sewer bonds. Date July 1 1920. 20,000 sewer bonds. Date Sept. 1 1920. 20,000 sewer bonds. Date Nov. 1 1920. Cert. check for \$500 payable to the above, Mayor, required.

PRICE SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Price), Carbon County, Utah.—BOND SALE.—Sweet, Causey, Foster & Co. and the Palmer Bond & Mgt. Co. have bought at \$5.75 \$175,000 of the \$300,000 5% 20-year school bonds. Dated May 1 1920. Int. semi-ann. New York payment. The remaining \$125,000 will not be offered for sale for two years, it is reported. Other bidders: International Trust Co., Bosworth, Chanute & Co. and Benwell, Phillips, Este & Co. of Denver.

REDLANDS HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT, San Bernardino County, Calif.—PRICE PAID.—The price paid for the \$185,000 5 1/2% 12-year (aver.) school bonds awarded on April 26 to the First National Bank of Redlands.—V. 110, p. 1900—was 100.707 and int. a basis of about 5.42%.

Other bidders: Citizens National Bank of Redlands National Bank of Redlands. L. S. Agiles. \$186,275. Redlands. \$185,125.

RICHMOND COUNTY (P. O. Rockingham), No. Caro.—BOND OFFERING.—Sealed bids will be received until 12 m. May 12 by B. F. Reynolds, Chairman Board of County Commissioners, for \$100,000 court house bonds at not exceeding 6% interest. Prin. and semi-ann. int. payable in New York. Bids will be received on bonds maturing serially 1920 to 1950, incl., and for bonds to mature 1950. Cert. check for \$5,000 payable to the above Chairman, required.

RICHMOND SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Richmond), Contra Costa County, Calif.—BOND ELECTION.—An election will be held May 12 to vote on the issuance of \$565,000 bonds, it is stated.

ROANOKE, Roanoke County, Va.—BOND OFFERING.—Proposals will be received until 2 p. m. May 22 by P. H. Tucker, City Clerk, for the following 4 1/2% coupon bonds: \$135,000 school building bonds. Date April 1 1916. Int. A. & O. Due April 1 1946. 200,000 school building bonds. Date Jan. 1 1920. Int. J. & J. Due Jan. 1 1950. 300,000 street Impt. bonds. Date Jan. 1 1920. Int. J. & J. Due Jan. 1 1950. Denom. \$1,000. Prin. and interest payable at the office of the City Treasurer. Cert. check for 1% of the bonds bid for, required. The bonds will be prepared under the supervision of the U. S. Mgt. & Trust Co., N. Y., which will certify as to the genuineness of the signatures of the city officials signing the bonds and the seal impressed thereon, and the legality of the bonds will be passed upon by John C. Thomson of N. Y., and a copy of his opinion will be furnished to each successful bidder. The successful bidder must pay for said bonds within 30 days after notice of the acceptance of such bids unless some other date or dates of payment be mutually agreed upon. The bonds will be ready for delivery June 1 1920.

ROCHESTER, N. Y.—NOTE SALE.—On April 30 an issue of \$100,000 grade-crossing notes, maturing 8 months from May 5 1920, was awarded to the Security Trust Co. of Rochester, on a 5 1/2% interest basis. Other bidders, both of New York, were:

Table with columns: Name, Int. Rate, Premium. Lists bidders for Rochester notes.

NOTE OFFERING.—Proposals for an issue of \$650,000 garbage disposal notes will be received until 2:30 p. m. May 13 by H. D. Quinby, City Comptroller. Due eight months from May 18 1920 at the Central Union Trust Co., of New York, where delivery will be made on May 18. Bidders must

designate denominations desired, state rate of interest, and to whom (not bearer) notes will be made payable.

**NOTE SALE.**—On May 6 \$350,000 notes, maturing eight months from May 10 1920 at the Central Union Trust Co., of New York, were awarded as follows:

- \$200,000 school notes to White, Weld & Co., of New York, at 5.90% interest plus \$5 premium.
- 50,000 school notes to the National Bank of Commerce, of Rochester, at 6% interest, plus \$5 premium.
- 100,000 municipal bldg. notes to the Genesee Valley Trust Co., of Rochester, at 5.90% interest, plus \$10 premium.

**ROCKAWAY TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Denville) Morris County, N. J.**—**NO BIDS.**—No bids were received for an issue of \$40,000 school bonds offered on May 3.

**ROCKY MOUNT, Edcombe County, No. Caro.**—**BONDS VOTED.**—By a majority of 143 votes the proposed issue of \$160,000 in gas impt. bonds was authorized by the voters, it is stated, on May 3.—V. 110, p. 1666.

**RUPERT, Minidoka County, Ida.**—**BOND SALE.**—Keeler Bros. of Denver have purchased \$60,000 6% serial electric-light and power-plant bonds. Denom. \$1,000. Date Dec. 1 1919. Int. J. & J. Due yearly on Dec. 1 from 1930 to 1939, incl.

**BOND ELECTION.**—An issue of \$75,000 water-extension and city-hall bonds is soon to be voted upon.

**RUSK COUNTY (P. O. Henderson), Tex.**—**BOND SALE.**—The \$800,000 5½% tax-free road bonds offered on March 4 1920—V. 110, p. 788—have been purchased by the Kauffman-Smith-Emert & Co. of St. Louis. Denom. \$1,000. Date Aug. 15 1919. Prin. and semi-ann. int. (F. & A.) payable at the Hanover National Bank, N. Y., or at the office of the State Treasurer, or at the office of the County Treasurer, at option of holder. Due yearly on Aug. 15 as follows: \$26,000, 1920 to 1929, incl., and \$27,060, 1930 to 1949, incl.

*Financial Statement.*

Estimated actual value of taxable property	\$35,000,000
Assessed value of taxable property, 1919	9,082,379
Total bonded indebtedness, this issue only	800,000
Population, 1910 census	29,946
Present estimated population	35,000

This county has no other bonds outstanding or authorized.

**RUTHERFORD COUNTY (P. O. Murfreesboro), Tenn.**—**BOND OFFERING.**—Until 2 p. m. June 1 J. P. Leathers, Clerk of the County Court, will receive bids for \$200,000 6% 30-year coupon highway bonds. Denom. \$1,000. Date July 1 1920. Int. semi-ann. (J. & J.) payable at the Chase Nat. Bank, N. Y., or at the office of the County Trustee, at the option of the holder. Cert. check for \$2,500, payable to the above Clerk, required.

**SAGINAW, Saginaw County, Mich.**—**BOND SALE.**—The \$500,000 5% coupon water-works bonds, offered on April 28—V. 110, p. 1776—were disposed of at par. Due \$20,000 yearly on May 1 from 1921 to 1945 incl.

**ST. CLAIR SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. St. Clair), St. Clair County, Mich.**—**BONDS NOT SOLD.**—The \$325,000 5% school-building bonds offered on April 26—V. 110, p. 1776—were not sold.

**SALT LAKE CITY, Salt Lake County, Utah.**—**BONDS DEFEATED.**—On April 27 the issue of \$3,300,000 water-works bonds (V 110, p. 1341) was defeated.

**SANDERS COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 1 (P. O. Plains), Mont.**—**BOND OFFERING.**—Proposals will be received until 8 p. m. June by E. L. Johnson, Clerk (P. O. First National Bank, Plains, Mont.) for \$15,000 6% 10-20-year (opt.) tax-free coupon school-building bonds. Denom. \$1,000. Int. J. & J. Cert. check for \$1,500, payable to the above Clerk, required.

**SANTA MONICA, Los Angeles County, Calif.**—**BOND OFFERING.**—Proposals will be received until 10 a. m. May 10 by Frank J. Townsend, Commissioner of Finance, for \$75,000 5% tax-free water-works bonds. Denom. \$1,000. Date May 1 1920. Prin. and semi-ann. int. (M. & N.) payable at the office of the County Treasurer. Due yearly on May 1 as follows: \$2,000, 1921 to 1957, incl.; and \$1,000, 1958. Cert. check on some

responsible bank in the State of California for 2%, payable to the above Commissioner of Finance, required.

Said bonds will be delivered to the successful bidder, within the shortest possible time after the opening of proposals, at the office of the Commissioner of Finance, ex-officio City Treasurer. All proceedings for the issuance of the bonds have been approved by George S. Clay of New York, Edward R. Young and C. E. Spencer of Los Angeles, attorneys-at-law, and the opinion of these two firms approving the legality of said bonds will be furnished the successful bidder.

*Financial Standing of the City of Santa Monica.*

Bonded Indebtedness—	
Outstanding bonds	\$974,250 00
Assessed valuation for 1919	\$16,599,610 00
True value estimated of all taxable property in municipality	\$29,460,550 00
Value of property owned by municipality	2,407,468 46
The city of Santa Monica has never defaulted on any bond payment.	
Population—In 1910 the Federal Census gave to the city a population of 7,487. On January 1 1920 the population was estimated to be 15,000.	

**SCOTT COUNTY (P. O. Scottsburg), Ind.**—**BOND SALE.**—On April 29 the \$1,632 50 (not \$16,325 as reported in V. 110, p. 1666) 6% drainage bonds, offered on that date, were awarded to Wayman & Robertson of Brownstown, at par. Denom. \$163 25. Int. J. & D. Due \$163 25 yearly on Dec. 1 from 1920 to 1929, incl.

**SCOTT COUNTY (P. O. Davenport), Iowa.**—**NO BIDS RECEIVED.**—Hugo H. Stahl, County Treasurer, advises us that no bids were received for the \$435,000 5% road bonds offered on May 3—V. 110, p. 1901. The above bonds will no doubt be reoffered for sale.

**SEBRING SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Sebring), Mahoning County, Ohio.**—**BOND SALE.**—The \$5,000 5½% school bonds offered on May 1—V. 110, p. 1666—were awarded at par and int. to the Citizens Banking Co. of Sebring. Date May 1 1920. Due yearly on Nov. 1 as follows: \$500, 1923 to 1926, incl., and \$1,000, 1927 to 1929, incl. W. L. Slayton & Co. of Toledo was the only other bidder.

**SEDALIA SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Sedalia), Pettis County, Mo.**—**BOND ELECTION.**—On May 18 \$75,000 school bonds are to be submitted to a vote.

**SEDGWICK, Sedgwick County, Colo.**—**BOND SALE.**—The State Land Board has bought \$33,000 5% water bonds at par.

**SENECA FALLS, Seneca County, N. Y.**—**BOND SALE.**—The \$32,000 paying bonds, offered on April 26—V. 110, p. 1666—have been sold to O'Brien, Potter & Co. of Buffalo, at par and interest for \$5. Date May 1 1920. Due \$8,000 yearly on Nov. 1 from 1927 to 1930, incl.

**SHARPSVILLE SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Sharpsville), Mercer County, Pa.**—**NO BIDS RECEIVED.**—No bids were received for the \$135,000 tax-free high school bldg. bonds offered on May 3—V. 110, p. 1776.

**SIDNEY, Cheyenne County, Neb.**—**BONDS VOTED.**—To aid fair-ground improvements \$30,000 of bonds have been voted.

**SPENCER COUNTY (P. O. Rockport), Ind.**—**BOND OFFERING.**—James A. Haines, Sr., County Treasurer, will receive proposals until 10 a. m. May 15 for \$17,000 5% school bonds. Denom. \$1,000. Date May 15 1920. Int. M. & N. Due \$1,000 yearly on May 15 from 1921 to 1937, incl. Purchaser to pay accrued int.

**SPRINGCREEK TOWNSHIP RURAL SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Piqua), Miami County, Ohio.**—**BONDS DEFEATED.**—At an election held April 6, the citizens, by a vote of 160 "against" to 64 "for," voted down a proposition to issue \$65,000 school bldg. bonds.

**STEARNS COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 152, Minn.**—**BOND SALE.**—The Merchants Trust & Savings Bank of St. Paul and Minneapolis was awarded on April 27 \$40,000 5½% school bonds at par and interest. Denom. \$1,000. Date Feb. 1 1920. Int. F. & A. Due Feb. 1 1935.

**STEELE COUNTY INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 63 (P. O. Blooming Prairie), Minn.**—**BOND OFFERING.**—Benedick Melby, District Clerk, will receive bids for \$50,000 5½% school bonds until 8 p. m. May 17. Denom. \$1,000. Int. semi-ann. payable at the First National Bank, Minneapolis. Due May 1 1935. Cert. check for 10% required. Bonded debt (including this issue) May 1 1920, \$125,000. Assessed value, \$500,000.

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On MAY 19, 1920, at 4 p. m., in the Board Room of the Board of School Directors of the City of Williamsport, Pa., the Finance Committee of the said Board of School Directors will receive and open sealed proposals for the purchase of \$200,000 of the 4¾ per cent bonds of the School District of Williamsport, Pa.

Of the above:  
\$25,000 will be due and payable on June 1, 1925.  
\$31,000 will be due and payable on June 1, 1930.  
\$38,000 will be due and payable on June 1, 1935.  
\$48,000 will be due and payable on June 1, 1940.  
\$58,000 will be due and payable on June 1, 1945.  
All of said bonds are of the denomination of \$1,000.

All of said bonds will bear date June 1, 1920, and will be payable as to maturity as above stated, and bear interest to maturity at the rate of 4¾ per cent per annum, free from all Pennsylvania State taxes (other than succession or inheritance tax), payable on the first day of June and December in each year.

The assessed valuation of the property of the said School District, as shown by the Loan Statement filed, is \$21,101,190. The total bonded indebtedness of the School District, including the above issue of bonds, is \$749,000.

All of the said bonds are issued for the purpose of the erection, construction and equipment of two new school buildings in the said School District; one on the Wayne Avenue site, Newberry, Pa.; the other to replace the Curtin School Building on Market Street, Williamsport, Pa., and this issue of bonds has been duly authorized by the voters of the School District of the City of Williamsport, Pa.

The opinions of Messrs. Reading & Allen, of Williamsport, Pa., and of Townsend, Elliott & Munson, of Philadelphia, Pa., as to the legality of this issue of bonds will be on file with the Board of School Directors of the School District of Williamsport.

The sealed envelope containing the proposal or proposals for the purchase of said bonds should be addressed to Otis M. Keefer, Chairman of Finance Committee, Board of School Directors, 229 West Third Street, Williamsport, Pa.

It is expected that the bonds will be prepared and executed and ready for delivery on or about June 1, 1920.

The Board reserves the right to reject all proposals.

A certified check for two per cent of the amount of the bid will be required from all bidders.

By order of the Board of School Directors of the School District of Williamsport, Pa.

OTTIS M. KEEFER,  
Chairman of Finance Committee.

**\$20,000**  
**Town of Dodson, Montana**  
**SEWER BONDS.**

Notice is hereby given that the Council of the Town of Dodson, Montana, will sell at public auction sewer bonds of the Town for \$20,000.00, 6%, 20-year, optional after ten years, interest payable semi-annually in New York City, on the EIGHTH DAY OF JUNE, A.D., 1920, AT EIGHT O'CLOCK, P.M., at the Council Chamber in said Town. Certified check for \$2,000.00 on National Bank as guarantee.  
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**STONE COUNTY (P. O. Galena), Mo.—BOND OFFERING.**—It is stated that \$95,000 road bonds will be sold on May 22.

**STRAIGHT BAYOU DRAINAGE DISTRICT (P. O. Silver City), Humphrey County, Miss.—BOND SALE.**—The Delta Bank and Trust Co. of Yazoo City was awarded on April 24 \$300,000 5¼% drainage bonds at par. Denom. \$1,000. Int. semi-ann.

**SUMMIT COUNTY (P. O. Akron), Ohio.—BONDS VOTED.**—Unofficial reports state that at the April 27 election the people authorized three issues of bonds, as follows:  
\$1,000,000 hospital bonds, by a vote of 11,047 to 1,455.  
500,000 court house bonds by 7,651 "for" to 3,574 "against."  
43,000 Monroe Falls bridge bonds by 7,400 to 3,460.  
24,000 Barberton bridge bonds by 7,032 to 3,476.

**TIPTON COUNTY (P. O. Covington), Tenn.—BIDS REJECTED.**—At the offering of the \$155,000 5½% road bonds on April 28—V. 110, p. 1666—all bids were rejected because none were at par as the law requires. On May 10 the issue is to be re-offered. O. P. Simonton, County Clerk.

**TUCSON, Puna County, Ariz.—BOND ELECTION.**—On May 15 the following 6% 30-year gold coupon bonds will be voted upon:  
\$140,000 water works impt. bonds.  
40,000 Sixth Ave. subway bonds.  
40,000 Stone Ave. subway bonds.  
75,000 Street impt. bonds.  
35,000 ornamental street lighting bonds.  
Denom. \$500. Due July 2 1920. Prin. and semi-ann. int. (J. & J.) payable at Tucson, Ariz., or in New York City, N. Y., or such other place as may be designated by the Mayor and Common Council at the option of holders. Due July 2 1950.

**VALLEY COUNTY (P. O. Glasgow), Mont.—BONDS VOTED.**—On April 23 the \$200,000 road bonds—V. 110, p. 789—were voted.

**VAN BUREN COUNTY (P. O. Paw Paw), Mich.—BOND SALE.**—It is reported that an issue of \$262,000 6% road bonds was recently purchased by Geo. E. Ellis of Grand Rapids.

**WALNUT SCHOOL DISTRICT, Los Angeles County, Calif.—BOND OFFERING.**—On May 10 bids will be received for \$8,000 5½% building bonds.

**WARREN CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Warren), Trumbull County, Ohio.—NO BIDS RECEIVED.**—No bids were received for the \$122,000 5½% school bonds offered on April 28.—V. 110, p. 1776.

**WATERTOWN, Middlesex County, Mass.—BOND SALE.**—On April 30 the following 5% coupon tax-free bonds were awarded to the Old Colony Trust Co. of Boston at 100.219:  
\$55,000 1-5-year serial macadam pavement bonds, a basis of about 4.92%. Date May 1 1920. Int. M. & N. Due \$11,000 yearly on May 1 from 1921 to 1925, incl.

44,000 1-4-year serial street construction bonds, a basis of about 4.91%. Date May 1 1920. Int. M. & N. Due \$11,000 yearly on May 1 from 1921 to 1924, incl.

30,000 1-30-year serial sewer and drain. bonds, a basis of about 4.98%. Date April 1 1920. Int. A. & O. Due \$11,000 yearly on April 1 1921 to 1950, incl.

Denom. \$1,000. Prin. and semi-ann. int. payable at the Fourth Atlantic National Bank of Boston.

**WELD COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 106 (P. O. Buckingham), Colo.—BOND SALE.**—An issue of \$10,000 6% 15-30-yr. (opt.) school bonds has been sold to Bosworth, Chanute & Co. of Denver.

**WELSH DRAINAGE DISTRICT NO. 1 (P. O. Welsh), Jefferson Davis Parish, La.—BOND OFFERING.**—Proposals will be received by John T. Hood, District Secretary, for \$130,000 5% bonds until 2 p. m. May 31. It is stated. Date June 1 1920. Denom. \$500. Due yearly from 1921 to 1940, incl.

**WEST ALEXANDRIA, Preble County, Ohio.—BONDS VOTED.**—The Corporation Clerk advises us that the people voted favorably upon the question of issuing \$29,500 city building and fire equipment bonds at the election held April 27.—V. 110, p. 1453.

**WEST POINT SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. West Point), Cuming County, Neb.—BOND SALE.**—The \$250,000 5½% 5-20 year (opt.) school bonds offered without success on April 27—V. 110, p. 1777—were sold on April 27 to C. W. McNear & Co. of Chicago at par less expenses. Denom. \$1,000. Date April 1 1920. Int. J. & J.

**WEYMOUTH, Norfolk County, Mass.—TEMPORARY LOAN.**—On April 30 a temporary loan of \$100,000, dated May 3 and maturing \$50,000 Nov. 12 and Dec. 22 1920 was awarded to F. S. Moseley & Co. of Boston, on a 5.85% discount basis.

**WHITLEY COUNTY (P. O. Columbia City), Ind.—BOND OFFERING.**—Forrest S. Deeter, County Treasurer, will receive bids until 1 p. m. May 15 for the following 5% road bonds:

\$9,412.60 Weeks-Fry, Whitley & Noble Co. Line road bonds. Denom. \$470.63. Due \$470.63 each six months from May 15 1921 to Nov. 15 1930, incl.

2,350.00 Chas. W. Johnson road bonds. Denom. \$117.50. Due \$117.50 each six months from May 15 1921 to Nov. 15 1930, incl.

18,625.00 F. Marion Grable road bonds. Denom. \$931.25. Due \$931.25 each six months from May 15 1921 to Nov. 15 1930, incl.

20,329.00 Cox-Keiser road bonds. Denom. \$1,016.45. Date May 15 1920. Due \$1,016.45 each six months from May 15 1921 to Nov. 15 1930, incl.

60,600.00 Dorsey-Jagger road bonds. Denom. \$1,515. Date March 15 1920. Due \$3,030 each six months from May 15 1920 to Nov. 15 1930, incl.

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**WHITMAN COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 22, Wash.—BOND SALE.**—The State of Washington offering par for 5¼% was awarded the \$18,460 school bonds offered on April 24—V. 110, p. 1559—There were no other bids received.

**WILLIAMSPORT SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Williamsport), Lycoming County, Pa.—BOND OFFERING.**—Proposals will be received until 4 p. m. May 19 by Otis M. Keefer, Chairman of Finance Committee of the Board of School Directors, for \$200,000 4¼% tax-free school construction and equipment bonds. Denom. \$1,000. Date June 1 1920. Int. J. & J. Due on June 1 as follows: \$25,000 in 1925, \$31,000 in 1930, \$38,000 in 1935, \$48,000 in 1940, \$58,000 in 1945: Cert. check for 2% of amount of bid required. Delivery of bonds to be made on or about June 1. Opinions of Reading & Allen of Williamsport and of Townsend, Elliott & Munson of Philadelphia as to legality will be on file at the office of the Board of School Directors.

The official notice of this bond offering will be found among the advertisements elsewhere in this department.

**WISE COUNTY (P. O. Wise), Va.—BOND OFFERING.**—R. R. Roberts, County Clerk, will receive sealed bids until 12 m. May 11, it is stated, for \$300,000 5½% 1-30-year serial road bonds. Int. semi-ann. Cert. check for 1% required.

**WORTHINGTON, Nobles County, Minn.—BOND SALE.**—The \$100,000 paving and \$25,000 water-works bonds mentioned in V. 110, p. 1778—have been disposed of.

**XENIA, Greene County, Ohio.—BOND SALE.**—The \$23,000 5½% 1-10-year serial water-works bonds offered on March 1—V. 110, p. 682—have been purchased by the Xenia Water Co. at par. Date March 1 1920. **NO BIDS RECEIVED.**—No bids were received for the \$3,000 city's portion and \$20,000 special assessment 5½% sewer bonds, offered on May 3.—V. 110, p. 1668.

**YAKIMA COUNTY (P. O. Yakima), Wash.—BOND SALE.**—An issue of \$409,400 6% 1-10-year serial road bonds has been sold, it is stated.

## CANADA, its Provinces and Municipalities.

**ALBERTA (Province of).—DEBENTURE SALE.**—It is reported that eh Dominion Securities Corp. of Toronto has purchased \$2,000,000 6% 3-year debentures at 101.744, Canadian funds, a basis of about 5.36%. Principal payable in Canada and New York.

**CENTRAL BUTTE, Sask.—DEBENTURE SALE.**—W. L. McKinnon & Co., of Regina, have purchased \$3,000 debentures of this village, it is reported.

**DUNDALK, Ont.—DEBENTURES VOTED.**—At an election held April 12, the voters, by 140 to 5, authorized the issuance of \$10,000 debentures for the reconstruction of the Dundalk Woolen Mills.

**ESTERHAZY, Sask.—DEBENTURES AUTHORIZED.**—Authority to issue \$1,000 debentures has been obtained from the Local Government Board, according to reports.

### NEW LOANS

**\$325,000**

## City of Goldsboro, N. C. STREET IMPROVEMENT BONDS

Sealed proposals will be received by the Board of Aldermen of the City of Goldsboro, North Carolina, in the City Hall in said City, until **TUESDAY, JUNE 1, 1920**, at twelve o'clock M., when they will be publicly opened, for the purchase of \$325,000 Street Improvement Bonds of said City, of the denomination of \$1,000 each, and dated April 1, 1920. Said bonds will mature serially, seventeen bonds on April 1st in each of the years 1923 to 1927, inclusive, and forty bonds on April 1st in each of the years 1928 to 1933, inclusive. Principal and interest will be payable at the Hanover National Bank, New York City. The bonds will be coupon bonds, with the privilege of conversion into fully registered bonds.

The bonds will bear interest at the rate of either five and one-half or five and three-quarters per centum per annum, payable semi-annually on April 1st and October 1st in each year, and all will bear interest at the same rate. Bidders are requested to name the rate in their bids. Bids for 5½% bonds will not be considered if a proper bid or bids be received for all of the bonds as 5½% bonds.

Proposals must be enclosed in a sealed envelope marked on the outside, "Proposal for Bonds," and addressed to C. M. Grantham, City Clerk, Goldsboro, North Carolina. Bidders must deposit with said City Clerk before making their bids, or present with their bids, a certified check drawn to the order of the City of Goldsboro, upon an incorporated bank or trust company, or a sum of money, for or in an amount equal to two per centum of the face amount of the bonds bid for, to secure the municipality against any loss resulting from the failure of the bidder to comply with the terms of his bid. Purchasers must pay accrued interest from the date of the bonds to the date of delivery. The bonds cannot be sold at less than par and accrued interest.

Successful bidders will be furnished with the opinion of Messrs. Reed, Dougherty & Hoyt, of New York City, that the bonds are valid and binding obligations of the City of Goldsboro. The bonds will be prepared under the supervision of the United States Mortgage & Trust Company, New York City, which will certify as to the genuineness of the signatures of the city officials and the seal impressed on the bonds.

By order of the Board of Aldermen.  
Dated, April 30th, 1920.  
C. M. GRANTHAM, City Clerk.

### NEW LOANS

**\$45,000.00**

## Town of Harlem, Montana Water Bonds.

Notice is hereby given that the Council of the Town of Harlem, Montana, will sell at public auction water bonds of the Town, for \$45,000.00 6%, 20 year, optional after ten years, interest, payable semi-annually in New York City, on the **FIRST DAY OF JUNE, A. D., 1920**, at eight o'clock P. M., at the Council Chamber in said Town. Certified check for \$2,000.00 on National Bank guarantee.

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**EDENLAND, Sask.—DEBENTURE SALE.**—This village has sold an issue of \$500 of its debentures to Harris, Read & Co., of Regina.

**EDMONTON, Alta.—DEBENTURES DEFEATED.**—At the April 12 election—V. 110, p. 1560—the by-laws to issue the following debentures, failed to carry, not polling the necessary three-quarters majority:  
 \$20,000 6% 20-year concrete sidewalk (city's share) debentures.  
 10,000 6% 8-year plank sidewalk (city's share) debentures.  
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 700,000 6% 20-year power house extension debentures.  
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 135,000 6% 20-year exhibition grand stand debentures.  
 Preparations are being made to re-submit these by-laws to the Burgesses.

**HAWKESBURY, Ont.—NO BIDS—OFFERS FOR OPTIONS DECLINED.**—There were no bidders for the \$95,000 6% 20-year installment road debentures, offered April 27. Two bond houses made offers for one month's option on the issue at prices of 94 and 95, but the Town Council declined to accept them.

**ITUNA, Sask.—DEBENTURES AUTHORIZED.**—The Local Government Board has given the village permission to issue \$2,150 debentures, it is stated.

**LINCOLN COUNTY, Ont.—DEBENTURES AUTHORIZED.**—On April 16, it is stated, a by-law to issue \$95,000 road debentures was passed.

**MANITOBA (Province of)—DEBENTURE SALE.**—An issue of \$3,000,000 6% 5-year debentures has been purchased, according to reports, by J. P. Morgan & Co. of New York. Payable in U. S. funds at New York.

**MANITOBA (Province of)—DEBENTURE SALE.**—On April 12 an issue of \$97,000 6% 20-year sewer and water main debentures was awarded to the Bond & Debenture Corp. of Canada, at 89.06, a basis of about 7.03%. Denom. \$1,000. Date March 23 1920. Int. payable annually on March 23. Due March 23 1940.

**MONTREAL, Que.—DEBENTURES AUTHORIZED.**—On April 26 the City Council passed, without any opposition, two by-laws providing for the issuance of \$3,000,000 local improvement and \$500,000 aqueduct impt. debentures.

**MOOSE JAW, Sask.—DEBENTURE SALE.**—Wood, Gundy & Co., of Saskatoon, have purchased, according to reports, \$4,000 debentures.

**NEW BRUNSWICK (Province of)—DEBENTURE SALE.**—On May 1 a syndicate composed of A. E. Ames & Co. and Wood, Gundy & Co. of Toronto and J. M. Robinson & Sons, and the Eastern Securities Co. of St. John, was awarded at 96.1579, \$1,800,000 road and bridge and \$1,000,000 St. John & Quebec Railway Construction 6% 10-year coupon (with privilege of registration) bonds. The successful bid calls for the payment of principal and interest in gold at Fredericton, Montreal or Toronto. Denom. \$1,000. Date May 1 1920. Int. M. & N. Due May 1 1930. The successful bidder also submitted a bid of 97.1747, payment of principal and interest to be made in Canada and New York.

**NIAGARA FALLS, Ont.—DEBENTURES VOTED.**—A by-law to issue \$250,000 sewer bonds carried by a vote of 396 to 73 at an election held April 26, according to reports.

**ROCANVILLE, Sask.—DEBENTURES AUTHORIZED.**—It is reported that the Local Government Board has given this village authority to issue \$2,000 debentures.

**SAINT AUGUSTINE PARISH, Que.—DEBENTURE SALE.**—Rene T. Leclere of Montreal has purchased an issue of \$200,000 5½% coupon debentures. Denom. \$100 and \$500. Date March 1 1920. Prin. and semi-ann. int. (M. & S.) payable at the Merchants Bank of Canada, Montreal or Quebec. Due March 1 1925.

**SALTFLEET TOWNSHIP (P. O. Stony Creek), Wentworth County, Ont.—DEBENTURE OFFERING.**—Erland Lee, Township Clerk, will receive bids until 6 p. m. May 11 for \$40,000 6% 20-year installment school site and erection debentures.

**SASKATCHEWAN SCHOOL DISTRICTS, Sask.—DEBENTURES AUTHORIZED.**—The following is a list of authorizations granted by the Local Government Board from March 20 1920, to April 17 1920:  
 Norton, \$2,000; xHawarden, \$28,000; Lothian, \$500; Thorncliffe, \$500; xArroyo, \$1,000; xGirvin, \$15,500; Crescent View, \$700; xDysart, \$2,000; Dunham, \$1,200; xMoore, \$3,000; xEyebrow, \$20,000; Lockwood, \$16,500; Renown, \$15,500; xBrooklyn, \$13,500; xMiddleton, \$4,000; xBriar Dale, \$2,600; xLost Lake, \$1,200; Broadway, \$5,000; xSallsbury, \$600; Queensville, \$800; xGertrude, \$3,200; Springfield, \$3,000; Stryl, \$1,500; xWhite-shore, \$1,200; xCapitol, \$500; Langham, \$30,000.

x Being included in next sale held by the Local Government Board.  
**DEBENTURE SALE.**—The following, according to the "Financial Post" of Toronto, is a list of debentures, amounting to \$45,600, reported sold from March 20 1920, to April 17 1920:

Govan, \$2,500, Regina Public School Sinking Fund Trustees; Drake, \$7,000, Waterman Waterbury Mfg. Co., Ltd., Regina; Eagle Valley, \$4,100, Waterman Waterbury Mfg. Co., Ltd., Regina; Eldred, \$2,000, G. D. Robertson, Mortlach; Milton South, \$1,000, C. M. Gripton, St. Catharines, Ont.; Frobisher, \$4,500, Waterman Waterbury Mfg. Co., Ltd., Regina; Creekside, \$4,000, sold locally; Waterbury, \$4,000, E. Toessin; Milestone, \$2,000, sold locally; Root, \$2,000, Waterman Waterbury Mfg. Co., Ltd., Regina; Edenald, \$4,500, sold locally; Meskansaw, \$5,300, Waterman Waterbury Mfg. Co., Ltd., Regina; Elfron, \$1,800, Canada Landed & National Investment Co., Winnipeg; Bunkerhill, \$900, Regina Public School Sinking Fund Trustees.

**SHANAVON, Sask.—DEBENTURES AUTHORIZED.**—It is reported that the Local Government Board has granted this town permission to issue \$15,500 debentures.

**TORONTO, Ont.—DEBENTURES AUTHORIZED.**—The City Council on April 12 voted in favor of the issuance of \$345,000 school enlargement, \$442,000 waterworks impt., and \$116,000 relief sewer construction debentures.

**TRURO, N. S.—DEBENTURE SALE.**—W. F. Mahon & Co. of Halifax have purchased \$15,000 5% 30-year debentures, it is reported.

**UNITY, Sask.—DEBENTURES AUTHORIZED.**—The town has obtained authority to issue, according to reports, \$24,000 debentures.

**WALLACE R. M. NO 243, Sask.—DEBENTURE SALE.**—An issue of \$3,000 debentures has been sold to the Regina Public School Sinking Fund Trustees.

**WESTBOURNE R. M. (P. O. Gladstone, Box 15), Man.—DEBENTURE OFFERING.**—Proposals are being received until 12 m. May 31 by P. St. Clair McGregor, Secretary-Treasurer, for \$40,000 6% 30-year installment road debentures. Date July 1 1920. Bonds to be delivered and paid for in Canadian funds, at the Merchants' Bank of Gladstone.

**WHEATLANDS R. M., Sask.—DEBENTURES AUTHORIZED.**—The Local Government Board has authorized the issuance of \$5,000 debentures.

**WOODLANDS R. M., Man.—DEBENTURE ELECTION.**—The rate-payers are voting to-day (May 8) on a by-law to issue \$7,000 6% 20-year school house construction debentures.

**WOODSTOCK, Ont.—DEBENTURE SALE.**—An issue of \$65,000 6% 15-year debentures has been sold locally, according to reports.

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**FINANCIAL STATEMENT**

Real Value (estimated)	\$60,000,000
Assessed Valuation	17,602,373
Total Bonded Debt, including this issue	1,023,880
Sinking Fund	66,827
Net Debt	963,053

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