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CLEARING HOUSE RETURNS.

The following table, made up by telegraph, &c., indicates that the total bank clearings of all the clearing houses of the United States for the week ending to-day have been \$9,002,564,344, against \$7,185,466,252 last week and \$9,176,707,026 the corresponding week last year.

Clearings—Returns by Telegraph. Week ending July 17.	1920.	1919.	Per Cent.
New York.....	\$3,960,502,570	\$4,524,377,985	-12.5
Chicago.....	587,182,441	568,982,996	+3.2
Philadelphia.....	436,188,268	389,267,383	+11.8
Boston.....	344,129,361	355,231,266	-3.1
Kansas City.....	206,188,691	196,729,917	+4.8
St. Louis.....	147,644,827	148,091,086	-0.3
San Francisco.....	147,300,000	135,709,239	+8.5
Pittsburgh.....	147,206,516	124,347,529	+18.4
Detroit.....	110,207,253	75,000,000	+46.9
Baltimore.....	88,358,238	81,579,891	+8.3
New Orleans.....	59,502,121	59,207,759	+0.5
Eleven cities, 5 days.....	\$6,234,410,316	\$6,658,525,051	-6.4
Other cities, 5 days.....	1,225,462,781	1,065,402,461	+15.0
Total all cities, 5 days.....	\$7,459,873,097	\$7,723,927,512	-3.4
All cities, 1 day.....	1,542,691,247	1,452,779,514	+6.2
Total all cities for week.....	\$9,002,564,344	\$9,176,707,026	-1.9

The full details of the week covered by the above will be given next Saturday. We cannot furnish them to-day, clearings being made up by the clearing houses at noon on Saturday, and hence in the above the last day of the week has to be in all cases estimated, as we go to press Friday night.
Detailed figures for the week ending July 10 show:

Clearings at—	Week ending July 10.				
	1920.	1919.	Inc. or Dec.	1918.	1917.
	\$	\$	%	\$	\$
New York.....	3,820,670,826	4,822,084,910	-20.8	3,393,889,531	3,728,627,649
Philadelphia.....	410,178,169	435,567,354	-5.8	390,878,303	315,711,472
Pittsburgh.....	139,754,750	132,718,395	+5.3	119,391,735	78,083,651
Baltimore.....	96,266,470	84,414,665	+14.0	71,601,469	46,445,820
Buffalo.....	43,027,535	30,377,904	+41.6	22,853,960	21,398,702
Albany.....	5,000,000	5,421,805	-7.8	5,550,538	5,400,345
Washington.....	16,211,413	13,500,000	+20.0	13,841,682	12,953,032
Rochester.....	9,876,758	9,621,304	+2.7	8,503,269	7,416,773
Scranton.....	4,901,972	3,837,110	+26.8	4,100,000	3,746,913
Syracuse.....	5,207,800	4,679,402	+11.3	4,500,000	4,800,574
Wheeling.....	4,886,290	4,816,835	+1.5	3,980,653	4,522,867
Reading.....	2,499,992	3,047,053	-18.0	3,053,857	3,061,381
Wilmington.....	2,968,042	3,885,605	-23.6	3,731,987	3,200,478
Wilkes-Barre.....	3,287,536	2,273,812	+44.6	2,359,290	2,136,392
Trenton.....	3,536,521	2,988,198	+18.3	2,906,094	2,599,561
York.....	1,465,555	1,386,530	+3.7	1,539,904	1,252,946
Eric.....	2,601,030	2,432,239	+7.1	2,401,756	2,012,543
Lancaster.....	2,478,993	2,432,755	+1.9	2,225,193	2,065,674
Binghamton.....	1,349,000	1,272,700	+6.1	949,000	1,031,600
Greensburg.....	1,000,000	1,100,000	-9.9	1,350,000	1,200,000
Chester.....	1,464,910	1,514,015	-3.3	1,704,737	1,670,212
Altoona.....	950,000	970,126	-2.1	900,485	698,124
Montclair.....	502,755	416,504	+21.5	422,849	583,769
Bethlehem.....	3,796,799	Not included	In total		
Huntington.....	1,773,414	Not included	In total		
Total Middle.....	4,580,089,317	5,570,789,221	-17.8	4,062,636,202	4,246,650,478
Boston.....	315,706,969	358,435,201	-11.9	330,430,117	277,933,601
Providence.....	11,022,900	13,203,100	-16.5	12,095,500	10,886,400
Hartford.....	9,977,423	9,789,572	+1.9	8,420,561	8,568,081
New Haven.....	6,462,110	6,342,416	+1.9	5,559,293	5,395,881
Springfield.....	4,765,958	4,674,869	+2.0	3,985,525	4,232,163
Portland.....	3,500,000	2,700,000	+28.5	2,888,988	3,000,000
Worcester.....	4,134,763	3,969,188	+4.2	4,214,818	4,566,680
Fall River.....	2,160,023	2,487,093	-13.1	2,375,551	1,993,766
New Bedford.....	1,554,845	1,884,454	-17.5	2,229,455	1,922,829
Lowell.....	1,289,000	1,000,000	+28.9	1,200,000	1,257,182
Holyoke.....	900,000	846,005	+6.4	789,356	831,941
Bangor.....	900,000	960,548	-6.3	933,414	794,731
Tot. New Eng.....	361,378,991	406,292,446	-11.1	375,152,578	321,383,255

Clearings at—	Week ending July 10.				
	1920.	1919.	Inc. or Dec.	1918.	1917.
	\$	\$	%	\$	\$
Chicago.....	550,023,070	699,115,299	-21.3	509,833,719	504,136,685
Cincinnati.....	59,109,340	56,924,955	+3.8	58,154,616	42,349,875
Cleveland.....	119,415,575	106,600,032	+12.0	89,152,638	85,267,361
Detroit.....	93,960,211	68,000,000	+37.6	62,200,292	55,246,121
Milwaukee.....	30,000,000	34,332,724	-12.6	29,544,253	30,722,136
Indianapolis.....	17,202,000	17,733,000	-3.3	19,341,000	15,569,368
Columbus.....	12,785,800	14,305,900	-10.6	11,855,400	10,902,100
Toledo.....	14,387,860	11,547,640	+24.6	10,457,634	12,364,208
Peoria.....	5,068,046	5,063,673	+0.1	4,527,753	6,742,143
Grand Rapids.....	5,321,887	5,963,078	-10.8	5,183,768	4,585,922
Evansville.....	5,426,743	4,551,838	+19.7	4,859,760	3,336,125
Dayton.....	5,853,713	4,903,152	+19.4	4,851,665	4,493,525
Springfield, Ill.....	2,505,751	2,449,856	+2.3	2,002,597	2,039,178
Fort Wayne.....	1,778,455	2,150,582	-17.3	1,434,536	1,503,271
Youngstown.....	5,441,458	7,152,166	-23.9	4,984,861	4,353,443
Akron.....	10,550,000	8,214,000	+28.6	5,086,000	6,907,000
Rockford.....	2,100,000	2,000,000	+5.0	2,026,709	1,625,413
Lexington.....	927,000	900,000	+3.0	750,000	651,875
Quincy.....	1,183,509	1,716,961	-31.0	1,440,586	1,038,471
Bloomington.....	1,669,617	1,730,277	-3.5	1,165,539	1,129,845
Canton.....	5,413,282	4,096,231	+32.2	2,972,670	3,747,634
Decatur.....	1,655,734	1,350,165	+19.9	1,148,356	920,213
Mansfield.....	1,473,265	1,190,411	+23.8	1,123,744	969,463
South Bend.....	1,440,000	1,200,000	+20.0	1,420,723	1,340,071
Springfield, Ohio.....	1,794,296	2,031,765	-1.8	1,941,375	1,399,576
Lima.....	927,011	1,162,721	-20.2	1,103,481	700,000
Danville.....	1,246,485	1,003,288	+24.2	743,293	656,924
Owensboro.....	569,745	684,585	-16.8	774,587	542,939
Lansing.....	1,804,286	1,159,226	+55.6	1,118,818	1,155,823
Jacksonville, Ill.....	613,528	742,777	-17.4	545,443	366,853
Ann Arbor.....	544,331	428,048	+27.1	304,764	350,324
Adrian.....	275,630	84,643	+225.6	82,276	117,411
Tot. Mid. West.....	962,467,628	1,070,548,993	-10.1	842,132,886	807,261,296
San Francisco.....	128,400,000	137,956,697	-6.9	117,931,893	99,837,304
Los Angeles.....	64,946,000	46,317,000	+40.2	31,163,000	31,733,000
Seattle.....	31,887,018	45,034,994	-29.3	36,366,620	25,104,881
Portland.....	31,716,052	36,343,854	-12.7	24,357,066	16,441,949
Salt Lake City.....	14,789,243	18,285,233	-19.1	12,462,767	13,273,627
Spokane.....	10,551,334	11,293,983	-6.6	8,300,000	5,200,000
Tacoma.....	4,288,003	5,399,904	-20.6	5,297,142	3,244,558
Oakland.....	7,700,053	9,898,158	-22.2	6,781,046	5,702,249
San Diego.....	3,146,329	2,500,000	+25.8	2,400,000	2,497,300
Sacramento.....	5,977,556	4,645,213	+28.7	4,215,030	3,693,423
Pasadena.....	1,717,587	1,502,771	+14.3	1,089,586	1,148,301
Stockton.....	7,115,600	2,039,396	+239.0	1,939,297	1,963,690
Fresno.....	3,575,095	3,327,254	+7.5	2,000,469	1,714,379
San Jose.....	2,314,421	1,816,600	+27.4	1,264,534	950,000
Yakima.....	1,401,619	1,465,175	-4.3	725,000	643,195
Reno.....	854,115	858,911	-0.6	660,000	600,000
Long Beach.....	2,700,798	1,739,468	+55.3	1,144,856	746,981
Santa Barbara.....	797,007	Not included	In total		
Total Pacific.....	323,867,830	330,484,611	-2.0	258,098,378	214,494,837
Kansas City.....	192,704,530	200,424,109	-3.9	189,096,268	143,019,337
Minneapolis.....	68,582,185	40,879,165	+67.8	27,955,586	26,911,921
Omaha.....	45,945,729	53,552,874	-14.2	51,659,598	31,972,723
St. Paul.....	37,139,205	20,876,031	+77.9	15,152,305	14,820,210
Denver.....	17,788,076	18,774,367	-5.3	17,196,660	15,022,620
St. Joseph.....	13,379,963	12,437,036	+7.6	15,193,252	14,060,983
Des Moines.....	10,251,486	11,262,278	-9.0	9,910,122	7,852,722
Sioux City.....	9,457,154	12,050,000	-21.5	8,661,472	6,455,634
Wichita.....	12,938,109	12,895,452	+0.3	10,710,858	6,303,395
Duluth.....	7,133,409	5,786,583	+23.3	4,264,057	4,529,888
Lincoln.....	4,680,676	5,398,533	-13.3	4,186,554	4,025,439
Topeka.....	3,577,999	3,468,269	+3.1	3,000,000	3,395,577
Colorado Springs.....	965,995	1,178,611	-18.1	749,997	891,508
Cedar Rapids.....	2,500,000	2,594,124	-3.6	1,970,305	2,337,963
Pueblo.....	1,167,051	739,647	+57.9	728,349	647,977
Fargo.....	2,173,829	3,525,592	-38.4	1,900,000	1,805,214
Waterloo.....	1,910,960	2,001,869	-4.5	2,490,739	2,750,193
Helena.....	1,300,000	1,787,194</			

THE FINANCIAL SITUATION.

The railway rate hearings have reached their close, and the only remaining question is what advance (and how distributed) will yield the promised rate of return on the property investment. Yet this statement needs some qualification, in significance if not in form; this is not the "only" question remaining, for the larger and farther-reaching question is the extent of the wage advances that will be granted, and the additional burden that must be laid upon the country in order to carry that wage advance and still fulfil the contract made with the public by the law of last spring. We say "the extent of the advances," for the press dispatches all say "it is generally accepted that a substantial increase will be granted."

It may be unavailing. It may be too late. It may fall upon ears closed to everything except clamor and an imagined political and partisan necessity. Yet the "Chronicle" must protest, once more, against a renewal of the old time-worn assumption that "some" advance is to be awarded as a matter of course, and also against granting any increase at all at present. The men demand it, for they are insatiable, as always. They are impatient of even taking time for inquiry, because that means some delay, and they have said so, in their usual threatening manner. With an unwonted thought about public opinion, they now want the entire new expenses covered into one unseparated rate advance, so that the portion which immediately represents the rise in payroll will not attract attention and will be less exposed to criticism. Their leaders say the men are restive, and are "held back with difficulty"—the familiar old threat. This is 1920, and the great struggle for control of the country is rising in intensity. Four years ago the date was 1916, and nobody ought ever to forget what occurred then, since nobody (not even the railway employees) has yet been able to escape its dire consequences.

It is not necessary, and would not be helpful, to go again over the figures in this matter or even to enlarge upon the points they emphasize; let us make it brief and simple in statement, yet let us make it distinct, for plain though parliamentary language fits the occasion.

A halt of transportation generally (what the threateners periodically call a "tie-up") would approximate in effects a withdrawal of atmosphere from respiration; but it would affect the threateners as seriously and quickly as anybody else, and therefore they will threaten only. Partial stoppages we are accustomed to, and we suffer under them, because, thus far, the men sworn to enforce the laws have not had the grit to proceed against conspirators as the law provides, and because public opinion has not rallied sufficiently to see that they do so. This is one bit of the plain speaking fit for the time. The estoppel of these partial interferences with transportation is within reach, when the American public is ready; the spirit of Calvin Coolidge and Ole Hansen is needed—that is all.

Every industry and interest in the country—and therefore every person in it—is now suffering more or less from inadequate transportation, which comes from insufficient physical equipment more than from any other cause. Now, for the first stern fact to be considered, to make good this equipment lack (quite forcibly set forth by Mr. Hanson of the Birmingham

"News,") will require a quite material rate increase; more fully put, the fact is that to rehabilitate the roads and put them in condition to render their indispensable service upon which everybody and everything depends will be all the burden the country ought to assume.

Observe next, that while this is really a burden, since it will inevitably express itself in somewhat higher costs of production and handling of all commodities, it is not without an encouraging offset; for, as the "Chronicle" has many times pointed out, no burden can be so crushing as a lame carrying system and the increased efficiency of our roads will very considerably counteract the burden of higher rates.

But—and this is the next inescapable fact—the addition to pay-roll, be it more or less, will be economically non-productive. That is, it will further lift the cost of living, for it will largely be spent unthriftilly and will not increase efficiency; it will even tend to decrease that, since the demand is the usual one of more wage with less work.

The "Chronicle" will not use space for what ought to be an unnecessary disclaimer of any hostility to labor, in any field, or any lack of friendliness for it. Faithful are the wounds of a friend, and the "Chronicle" is a far truer friend to the Brotherhoods and to all labor unions than are the leaders who constantly and harmfully delude them. Their own inability to see that they are fighting laws as immovable as the stars overhead and are trying to attack the country of which they are an inseparable part (and imagining they can strike without stern consequences striking back) does not in the slightest degree change or mollify the fact. It ought also to be unnecessary to say that we are not insensible to the perilous results of any further carrying troubles, for only a fool could regard those lightly. But the alternatives are grim and implacable. There should be no wage advances at this time, let whatever follow. Any notion that any wage advance can "definitely settle" the matter and bring "an end to labor unrest" is weak almost to imbecility; one might as well expect to drown a fire by pouring oil on it. The line of halt must be drawn and be adhered to. Shall we rally ourselves to do that now—or shall we try another turn or two of that upward spiral first? Does a bad habit cure itself by renewed indulgence?

It is for the American people to concern themselves about their railway property and conserve it. If it is not conserved and strengthened, their woes will surely increase. They have endurance enough to bear additional loads, let us suppose; yet, why assume them?

Gold mining results in the Transvaal for June 1920 exhibit a very satisfactory gain over May with its greater number of days, and they were in fact the best of any month since October last, while at the same time showing a fair augmentation over the corresponding period of last year. This is a gratifying outcome so far as it goes, but whether it denotes a turn in the tide and a promise of still better returns later on, or is simply exceptional, the cable bringing the figures of outturn does not indicate. All previous returns for 1920 recorded diminution as compared with a year ago, and accordingly the yield of the metal from the mines for the six months ended June 30 was less than in 1919 and well below any preceding similar period since 1914. Specifically, production in June 1920 was 715,927 fine ounces

against 702,379 fine ounces in 1919 and 727,696 fine ounces in 1918, and for the six months the production of the Transvaal at 4,104,846 fine ounces compares with 4,147,484 fine ounces and 4,256,334 fine ounces, respectively, one and two years ago, 4,631,867 fine ounces in 1916 and 4,640,430 fine ounces in 1913—the high record. It is to be noted, too, that Rhodesia, West Africa, &c., are also running behind last year in output, making the output for Africa as a whole for the half year moderately under that of 1919. Australasia also reports continued contraction in yield.

The original understanding was that the Spa conference would close last Monday. Premier Millerand of France let it be known that he had a pressing engagement in Paris that would make it impossible for him to stay longer. Lloyd George was said to have agreed to bring the deliberations to a close that day. Although one important question after another was taken up as rapidly as possible, the progress that was hoped for was not realized and announcement was made in cablegrams made public here Tuesday morning that the conference would be continued until yesterday or to-day. Premier Millerand was quoted as saying Monday evening that "I am not returning to Paris for the National Fete of July 14. I am going to stay and fight this thing out." Announcement was made also that orders for special trains that were to leave Monday evening and Tuesday morning, carrying the various Premiers and their respective staffs home, were canceled.

Up to the time that last week's issue of the "Chronicle" went to press, only meagre information had been received here relative to the signing by the Germans of the disarmament agreement presented by the Allied representatives at the Spa conference. The first advices simply stated that the signing took place Friday forenoon and that the signatures were affixed under protest. The dispatches received the next day (Saturday) contained more or less detailed accounts of that important event. It seems that the protest was over the threat of the Allied diplomats to invade the Ruhr district in the event of the Germans failing to live up to the disarmament terms. The accounts stated that Chancellor Fehrenbach for the Germans was the first to sign the agreement, and that he was followed by his associate Dr. Walter Simons, who apparently is an exceedingly clever diplomat and negotiator. Then came Premiers Lloyd George and Millerand, Viscount Chinda of Japan and Earl Curzon.

Dr. Simons, addressing the conference, claimed that "under the German Constitution the Government could not consent to a modification of the Treaty of Versailles without the approval of the Reichstag." Lloyd George in reply declared that "there was no need for the Germans to ask the approval of the Reichstag before signing, as the protocol drawn up last January gave the Allies the right to take such steps as were now contemplated in the event of non-fulfillment of treaty terms." Continuing to outline the position of the Germans as he saw it, the British Premier said that "Germany is placed under no new obligations by the present agreement." He added that "the first report on the manner in which they were executing it will be required on Sept. 1, and that gives the Germans two months in which to collect arms while they still have soldiers to do so." Dr. Simons on behalf of

his Government made it emphatic, nevertheless, that "in signing the protocol Germany did not give her consent to further occupation of German territory, which could only be given by the Reichstag." Premier Lloyd George as spokesman for the Allied representatives at the conference said in reply: "We do not ask your agreement to the penalties we reserve the right to take in the case of non-execution of your engagements. We simply warn you of our intentions. It is notification we have given you, purely and simply, of the measures you may expect if you do not disarm under the conditions specified. To these conditions we ask your acceptances, so as to adopt them with common accord. To sum up, the penalties are for the Allies alone, while we are making disarmament a two-sided matter."

With the disarmament question out of the way, that of the trial of war criminals in the German courts was taken up by the conference. Karl Heinze, German Minister of Justice, was asked what had been done regarding this matter. He replied that "the Allies have given the Germans considerable trouble, owing to the fact that many of the names submitted by them had been spelled incorrectly and that the evidence they had supplied was insufficient." He added also that "many of the persons accused had changed their addresses and it was impossible to locate them." Premier Lloyd George is said to have demanded then with great severity of tone how many criminals actually had been arrested. Herr Heinze is reported to have replied "None," and to have added that "German magistrates did not consider the evidence sufficient to justify them in issuing warrants." According to the accounts of that session of the conference a lively tilt then ensued between the British Premier and the German Minister of Justice. The former was reported to have said: "I wish to deny the accuracy of the German deductions. I hope this does not mean that the German Government expects the Allies to abide by the expression of opinion of the German magistrates, which I consider entirely unwarranted." Dr. Simons was said to have come to the rescue of his associates and to have declared that "Herr Heinze had not expressed his meaning quite distinctly." After a little Lloyd George appeared to have been "somewhat mollified" and to have asserted that "it was to Germany's interest to clear herself in the eyes of the world by the trial of those criminals and that such action would be proof of repentance and change of heart." Observers at the conference were reported to have expressed the opinion that "the conference is a dual between Lloyd George and Dr. Simons. In the opinion of many competent judges, the skilful British Premier has at last met his master." It was added that "Dr. Simons has been clever enough not only to wipe out Germany's failure to carry out the measure of disarmament called for, but to get an extension of six months. It now remains to be seen whether he can manage to wiggle out of compliance with the demands likely to be made on the subject of reparation."

At the afternoon session a week ago yesterday the coal question was taken up. An ultimatum was delivered by the Allies to Germany "to the effect that in the future she must give priority to the supply of coal due to the Allies under the treaty." Announcement was made that "a second Allied body is to be created in Berlin for the purpose of examining the coal operations and giving information about al,

coal movements." Speaking in behalf of the Germans, Under Secretary Bergman asserted that "interior troubles and strikes had interfered in the past with the required delivery." Premier Millerand for the Allies replied that "Germany had delivered only 51% of the required regular deliveries." He charged also that "although Germany had not fulfilled the treaty, she had contracted to supply coal abroad and had sold 35,000 tons to Switzerland and contracted for 80,000 tons to Holland." Dr. Simons in replying for Germany asked "if the conditions were imposed or whether they could be discussed." Premier Millerand replied that "the conditions were the demands of the Allies, but the Germans would be permitted to discuss details." The Germans then made it known that they would outline their position at the session of the conference the following day.

The dispatches received here from Spa Sunday morning stated that as a result of the presentation of their position on the coal question, the Germans "won further concessions from the conference in an agreement to have German and Allied experts consider the coal question." The Associated Press correspondent in outlining the events of the day at the conference declared that "it was another day marked by forceful language, the presiding officer, Premier Delacroix of Belgium, interrupting Hugo Stinnes, the German coal operator, in his presentation of the situation, when he referred to those 'affected with the disease of victory'". Herr Stinnes and Otto Hue, President of the German Miners' National Association, were charged with having been the cause of most of the forceful language on the part of the Allies' representatives. Their statements were unvarnished and Herr Stinnes is said to have created an unfavorable impression when, contrary to the custom of the conference, he stood while speaking, and in doing so said: "I stand because I want to look my adversaries in the eyes." The German and Allied representatives differed materially over the figures regarding coal production in Germany that were presented. Toward the end of the session the dispatches state that the impression created by Herr Hue was more favorable and that to his arguments was due largely the decision that "Allied and German experts should consider the question of coal deliveries."

Monday's advices stated that at first the German plenipotentiaries declined to submit a reparations plan to the Allies, claiming that it would be useless to do so because of the coal demands set up by the latter. They finally did hand in their plan Sunday night. The correspondent of the New York "Times" declared, however, that "the proposals in the plan make no definite offer but present a complicated system of payments in kind through organization of German industries and the establishment of an international syndicate for the re-building of devastated France." He added that "the cost would be paid eventually by Germany." More specifically the plan of the Germans asked that "the Allies fix the total of indemnity to be paid in annuities extending over not more than thirty years, this total to be subject to acceptance by Germany." It was further stipulated that "goods delivered or reparation made would be credited against this total at world market prices at the time of delivery." The correspondent stated, furthermore, that "the German proposals call for steady and intricate calculations. This would give the German Government the delay it

really wishes before the total is announced to the German people." As already suggested, the whole plan seemed to hinge largely on the coal question. The Germans asked for a further substantial reduction in the amount to be furnished to France at regular intervals and Premier Millerand replied that his country "would not consent to any such reduction of coal as the Germans asked." It developed at Sunday's session of the conference that the special committee of Allied and German experts that was appointed to study the coal situation found that "it was impossible to agree about the amount."

In the course of a long discussion on the coal question and that of reparations, the German representatives let it be known—in fact it was stated specifically in their plan—that "the German Government considers that it has already paid not only the 20,000,000,000 gold marks called for by the treaty by May 1 1921, but a much larger amount, according to its account."

The Allied Premiers met privately at 10:30 o'clock Monday forenoon to discuss the reparations proposals of the Germans. Inasmuch as they were unable to finish their work in time for the general conference which was called for 11:30, the German representatives were informed that "the full meeting had been postponed until afternoon." The Associated Press correspondent at Spa cabled that "the Allied Ministers, it appears, are not very favorably impressed by the German reparations plan." He added that "it is understood that the German delegates had in reserve another plan, or amendment, of much greater importance than the plan submitted on Sunday." The Spa dispatches Tuesday morning stated that "the Allies served an ultimatum upon the German delegation to the conference here late this [Monday] afternoon that the Germans must agree by three o'clock to-morrow [Tuesday] afternoon to deliver to the Allies 2,000,000 tons of coal monthly." The Germans had maintained in their previous discussions of the matter that they could not supply more than 1,100,000 tons. The dispatches related, furthermore, that the ultimatum included a threat that "otherwise the Allies will take measures to enforce the terms of the Versailles Treaty." The advices received from Spa Tuesday afternoon made it known that the Germans had succeeded in obtaining another concession, inasmuch as it was stated that "the Allied Prime Ministers have decided not to insist upon the Germans replying to the Allied ultimatum regarding coal deliveries at 3 p. m. to-day" [Tuesday]. It was added that "the Germans will be permitted to defer their reply until to-morrow." According to Wednesday morning's cablegrams regarding the Spa conference, nothing was accomplished by the further negotiations. The correspondent of the New York "Times" asserted that "confronted by the impracticability and obstinacy of the Germans, the Allied statesmen suspended the conference at 6 o'clock to-night [Tuesday] and summoned Marshal Foch and Field Marshal Sir Henry Wilson to come at once to Spa in order that steps may be taken to try and convince the Germans that the Allies won the war." He added that "in the meanwhile the German delegation is to remain here, probably to receive an ultimatum from Foch." This correspondent went so far as to assert that "all chance of agreement upon the amount of the German indemnity and method of its

payment has now practically vanished. The Germans have refused to make any offer at all and there is nothing left for the Allies to do except adjourn all matters or set their figure and stand by it." In relating somewhat in detail what occurred at Tuesday afternoon's session of the conference the "Times" correspondent said that it "broke up on the question of coal, which in reality is part of the reparations problem." He stated also that "the technical point on which the impasse was reached was the fixing of a figure for the amount of coal delivery." Continuing, he said, "but the real problem is larger. This is the attitude of the German Government." The correspondent of the New York "Tribune" in giving his account of the session said that Premier Delacroix of Belgium, in dismissing the conference "announced that if the Germans were wanted again they would be sent for."

Premier Lloyd George received Dr. Walter Simons, the German Foreign Minister, Wednesday afternoon, at the latter's request, according to an Associated Press dispatch from Spa. The British Prime Minister is reported to have "told him emphatically the Allies were not bluffing." He is said to have added that "the Allies intended seriously to take measures for enforcement of execution of the Versailles Treaty, unless the Germans meet the Allies' modified terms regarding coal." Informal conferences were held during the afternoon Wednesday "in an effort to compose the differences between the Germans and the Allies over the question of coal deliveries by Germany, and to prevent a break-up of the conference." The Associated Press dispatch stated also that "no disposition was shown by Chancellor Fehrenbach and Foreign Minister Simons during the forenoon to yield to the Allies on the question of coal deliveries." They did yield, however. Cablegrams received from Spa Thursday morning stated that the Germans at 11 o'clock the night before "notified Premier Lloyd George that they would accept the Allies' coal terms calling for deliveries of 2,000,000 tons monthly." Dr. Bonn was said to have been delegated to take the message to the British Premier. Commenting upon this outcome of a seemingly critical situation, the Spa correspondent of the New York "Times" said that "the German Cabinet backed down after it heard of the Allied decision to serve Chancellor Fehrenbach to-morrow [Thursday] with an ultimatum to accept the Allied terms or the Ruhr basin would be occupied immediately." The Associated Press correspondent said that "before the Germans made known that they had yielded to the Allied demands the Supreme Council had decided to ask the American Government to join in the occupation of the Ruhr," and added that "all details had been arranged for the movement of troops." The dispatches from Spa received Thursday afternoon contained details of the conditions on which the Germans yielded, and which were "embodied in a note which was laid before the Allied Premiers this [Thursday] noon by Premier Lloyd George." The chief features of the conditions were that "the German Government is to have the distribution of the Silesian coal, or be allotted 1,500,000 tons monthly for Northern Germany, instead of the present allotment of 1,200,000 tons. The appointment of a mixed commission to be sent to Essen to examine food and housing conditions. The Allies to be asked to advance money or provide credit for importing food for the entire German population."

Herr Simons was quoted as having said after the terms had been submitted that "the German Ministry, in the decision on the coal question, had gone to the utmost limit and could do nothing more." So, that "if Marshal Foch and Field Marshal Wilson still wanted an invasion of Germany they must have it." The Foreign Minister was said to have sent a letter to Premier Lloyd George in which he "set forth the German position in some detail." The conditions stipulated by the Germans were considered at a session of the Spa conference called originally for 11 o'clock Thursday forenoon, but which was postponed until 3:30 in the afternoon. Following the latter gathering a formal statement was not issued, but it developed that the Germans had agreed to supply 2,000,000 tons of coal a month for six months from Aug. 1 next. The Allies stipulated, on the other hand, that "if by Nov. 1 the Germans have not delivered 6,000,000 tons of coal the Ruhr basin will be occupied automatically on Nov. 15." The Germans asked also "for cash payments on their deliveries of coal of the difference between the inland price and the world's market price, the balance to be placed to their credit by the Reparations Commission, according to the terms of the treaty of Versailles." The Allied proposal was "to allow five marks gold a ton to be added to the pithead price to pay for the cost of screening the coal into different sizes, which premium is to be applied to the purchase of food for the miners. In addition to this the Allies will make an advance of credit of the difference between the German inland price of coal and the world's market price." The Spa correspondent of the New York "Times" estimated that if the credit arrangement were adopted, the Germans would get a credit of \$100,000,000 for the six months period, or \$200,000,000 a year. Premier Lloyd George and others at the conference were quoted on Thursday as having expressed themselves hopefully over the outlook for a complete adjustment of the coal problem.

A Spa dispatch last evening stated that "the German reply to the Allied ultimatum on coal deliveries" was not presented at 11 o'clock in the forenoon as originally arranged, and that the Germans sent word that it would not be ready until 4 o'clock in the afternoon. Just before entering a conference at the latter hour they were said to have announced that they "agreed in principle with the terms submitted to them by the Allies as to Germany's deliveries of coal, but will ask for the explanation of certain articles in the Allied note." The dispatch added that apparently the thing that was standing in the way of acceptance by the Germans of the Allied terms was the clause providing for occupation of the Ruhr Valley unless coal deliveries reached a total of 6,000,000 tons by Nov. 1.

As early as last Saturday the dispatches from Spa indicated that the Allies might agree to help Poland "in her fight against the Bolsheviki." In fact, the information was conveyed in one cablegram from the conference centre that Marshal Foch had held a conference with the head of a Poland delegation on this very matter. The dispatches from Spa that became available here Monday morning contained a statement issued by the Allied Supreme Council the night before in which the announcement was made that "Poland has asked Allied intervention, saying that unless she gets assistance her situation will

become very serious." The statement also set forth that "the Allies had, therefore, sent to Moscow a proposal to the Soviet for an armistice between Poland and Russia, subject to the condition that the Polish troops retire behind Poland's legitimate boundaries." The further assertion was made in the statement that "should the Soviets refuse an armistice and attack the Poles within their proper boundaries the Allies will give Poland full assistance." Coupled with this statement was another issued in behalf of the British Government which briefly said that "there is no foundation for the rumor that Great Britain intends to make separate peace with Russia." In another dispatch it was set forth that "the terms call for a commission to meet in London and fix the Russian Polish boundaries."

The advices from day to day regarding the military operations between the Bolsheviki and the Polish forces seemed to indicate aggressiveness by the former and a disposition on the part of the latter to retreat. That the Poles felt they were getting the worse of it was evidenced by the reports that they had asked the Bolsheviki for an armistice. In a cablegram from London under date of July 12 it was said that "further official confirmation was given to-day that the Allies had made proposals to the Russian Soviet Government for an immediate armistice on equitable terms between Poland and Russia." It was added that "the confirmation was given in the House of Commons by Andrew Bonar Law, the Government spokesman," who read a copy of the note to the Soviet Government. He was reported to have "also declared that the Soviet Government had accepted Great Britain's terms for a resumption of trade between Great Britain and Russia." The advices from Warsaw for several days indicated that the City of Minsk was likely to be captured soon by the Bolshevist forces. Announcement was received here from London on Tuesday afternoon that this actually took place last Sunday morning. Minsk is the capital of the Russian province bearing the same name and is situated approximately 250 miles northeast of Warsaw. Later advices from London stated that the unofficial and official news received there indicated that the Poles were retreating along the whole battle line. In a dispatch from Spa Wednesday afternoon it was claimed that "Premier Lloyd George has received a message from the Russian Bolshevik officials accepting the proposal of the Allies for an armistice between the Poles and the Bolsheviki." This was confirmed by dispatches received from various European centres Thursday morning. The London "Times" received a dispatch from Kovno on Thursday that "the Bolsheviki occupied Vilna Wednesday afternoon without opposition." According to earlier advices from Warsaw women soldiers had taken up positions for the defense of that city.

While naturally the French authorities have said as little about the matter as possible, it has been apparent ever since President Deschanel fell from his train several months ago when taking a brief trip from Paris, that his health was far from satisfactory. The advices this week have declared that recently he has not been as well as for a time after the accident, and it has been claimed that there was fresh agitation as to the advisability of creating "the office of Vice-President, which does not exist under the French Constitution." The correspondent in Paris of the "Sun and New York Herald" said

that "indications are that the question will be raised in Parliament before the summer recess, regarding how the executive functions will be performed should President Deschanel's attack of neurasthenia continue much longer." In some of the dispatches the assertion was made that it might be necessary to elect a new President as well as a Vice-President, and it was reported that the opinion existed in some French political circles that President Deschanel would soon resign.

The political situation in Ireland continues to be very much disturbed. In a cablegram from Dublin early in the week it was asserted that "evidence is piling up indicating that the newly organized Sinn Fein courts rapidly are superseding in power the Crown tribunals." In other advices from the same centre it was asserted that "there has been no relaxation during the week end of the extraordinary military precautions by which Dublin is surrounded, with barracades on all the roads entering the city." From Belfast came the statement at about the same time that "this city is stiff with troops and encircled by naval and military forces, all arrayed to keep to-morrow's Orange celebration within bounds." Subsequent dispatches estimated that "20,000 Orangemen paraded in celebration of the anniversary of the Battle of the Boyne," but it was added that "no disorders were reported." The special Trades Union Congress held a few days later in London, by a large majority vote, "adopted a resolution introduced by the Miners' Federation, demanding the withdrawal of all the British troops from Ireland and the cessation of the manufacture of munitions to be used in Ireland and Russia." Sir Edward Carson, Ulster Unionist leader, in an address to the Orangemen on the occasion of their celebration "charged the British Government with failure to govern Ireland," and declared that "if the British cannot handle the situation in South Ireland we will take matters into our own hands."

According to all the advices from Dublin and London for several weeks the railroad situation in Ireland has been acute because of the refusal of railroad employees to carry any sort of war material. In a dispatch from Dublin dated July 14 the assertion was made that "the railway situation in Ireland was never so grave from the Government's point of view as to-day, when the workers refused to move freight trains carrying any sort of war material, and Sinn Feiners kidnapped five men who offered to move trains, after the others had declined." Nearly every day all week fresh reports of disturbances in Ireland came to hand. On Thursday afternoon a Dublin dispatch told of the raiding by 50 men of the General Post Office in that city and stated that the raiders "carried off all letters directed to Dublin Castle, the Vice-Regal Lodge, the Chief Secretary and the Under Secretary of the Irish Administration." This was only a sample of what happened in other places.

The British Treasury statement of national financing for the ten days ending with July 10, shows a substantial increase in income over outgo, with the result that the Exchequer balance gained £427,000 and now stands at £3,051,000. Expenditures for the ten-day period were £24,458,000, and the total outgo, including Treasury bills, advances and other items repaid, was £220,089,000. The receipts from all sources, on the other hand, were £220,516,000.

Of this latter total, revenue brought in £29,573,000, savings certificates £1,250,000 while £17,600,000 was obtained from advances. Sundries yielded £783,000. Sales of Treasury bills were exceptionally large, totaling £170,670,000. Treasury bonds issued, however, were only £640,000. Owing to the fact that new issues of Treasury bills far exceeded the sum repaid, Treasury bills outstanding have expanded to £1,078,629,000. In temporary advances there has been an expansion to £311,991,000. The floating debt now stands at £1,290,620,000, which compares with £1,558,676,000 twelve months before.

Official discount rates at leading European centres continue to be quoted at 5% in Berlin, Vienna, Spain and Switzerland; 5½% in Belgium and Norway; 6% in Paris, Bombay and Petrograd; 7% in London and Sweden and 4½% in Holland. In London the private bank rate has not been changed from 6½ @ 6 11-16% for sixty and ninety day bills. Money on call in London has ranged from 4¾% to 5%, comparing with 6¾% a week ago. No reports have been received by cable, so far as we have been able to ascertain, of private discount rates at other centres.

The Bank of England announced another large gain in gold, in round numbers £2,131,795, which brings the total gold stocks of the institution up to £122,889,497. In the corresponding week of 1919 the total was £88,703,675, and £66,498,872 a year earlier. Owing to a gain in note circulation of £1,494,000, total reserve expanded only £648,000, although the proportion of reserve to liability advanced to 12.44%, as against 12.18% in the week previous, and 20.54% a year ago. Public deposits decreased £215,000, but other deposits were increased £2,587,000, while Government securities registered an expansion of £7,014,000. Loans (other securities) were contracted £5,272,000. The total of reserves is now £17,092,000, as against £28,257,025 a year ago and £29,580,097 in 1918. Circulation amounts to £124,238,000, which compares with £78,896,000 and £55,368,775 one and two years ago, respectively. Loans aggregate £78,622,000. Last year the total was £82,405,961 and in 1918 £105,527,950. Clearings through the London banks amounted to £733,220,000, in comparison with £799,899,000 last week. The Bank's official discount rate continues to be quoted at 7%. We append a tabular statement of comparisons of the different items of the Bank of England statement:

BANK OF ENGLAND'S COMPARATIVE STATEMENT.

	1920.	1919.	1918.	1917.	1916.
	July 14.	July 16.	July 17.	July 18.	July 19.
	£	£	£	£	£
Circulation.....	124,238,000	78,896,650	55,368,775	39,517,425	35,960,240
Public deposits.....	17,670,000	24,914,569	38,212,040	47,755,170	58,068,078
Other deposits.....	119,621,000	112,622,742	134,797,874	124,711,196	86,443,050
Government securs.....	59,438,000	44,690,806	55,777,632	45,487,661	42,188,185
Other securities.....	78,622,000	82,405,961	105,527,950	112,664,895	80,788,352
Reserve notes & coin	17,092,000	28,257,025	29,580,097	31,125,125	39,440,893
Coin and bullion.....	122,889,497	88,703,675	66,498,872	53,192,550	56,951,133
Proportion of reserve to liabilities.....	12.44%	20.54%	17.10%	18.62%	27.25%
Bank rate.....	7%	5%	5%	5%	6%

The Bank of France continues to report small gains in its gold item; the increase this week having been 92,058 francs. The Bank's gold holdings now aggregate 5,588,603,908 francs, comparing with 5,556,289,601 francs last year and with 5,430,714,767 francs the year before; these amounts include 1,978,278,416 francs held abroad in both 1920 and 1919 and 2,037,108,484 francs in 1918. During the week increases

were registered in the various items as follows: silver, 37,000 francs; bills discounted, 25,296,000 francs; and Treasury deposits, 116,143,000 francs. On the other hand, advances were reduced 21,151,000 francs and general deposits fell off 213,804,000 francs. The comparatively small contraction of 114,630 francs occurred in note circulation, bringing the total outstanding down to 37,574,401,370 francs. This contrasts with 34,976,725,280 francs at this time in 1919 and with 29,111,095,595 francs in 1918. On July 30 1914, just prior to the outbreak of war, the amount 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—		
		July 15 1920.	July 17 1919.	July 18 1918.
Gold Holdings—	Francs.	Francs.	Francs.	Francs.
In France.....Inc.	92,058	3,610,325,492	3,588,011,185	3,393,606,282
Abroad.....	No change	1,978,278,416	1,978,278,416	2,037,108,484
Total.....Inc.	92,058	5,588,603,908	5,556,289,601	5,430,714,767
Silver.....Inc.	37,000	245,383,495	301,206,364	269,949,372
Bills discounted...Inc.	25,296,000	1,372,122,298	847,290,048	1,129,084,935
Advances.....Dec.	21,151,000	1,895,614,000	1,268,338,153	926,765,583
Note circulation...Dec.	114,630	37,574,401,370	34,976,725,280	29,111,095,595
Treasury deposits...Inc.	116,143,000	228,895,000	90,178,417	172,409,476
General deposits...Dec.	213,804,000	2,937,823,894	3,060,097,491	3,896,644,104

In its statement, issued as of June 30, the Imperial Bank of Germany showed some of the most sensational changes yet recorded. Bills discounted registered an increase in the huge sum of 13,798,117,000 marks, while deposits gained 11,834,185,000 marks. Gold increased nominally 3,000 marks, with a small loss in coin and bullion of 190,000 marks. Treasury certificates were expanded 758,960,000 marks and circulation increased 2,318,602,000 marks. There was a decrease in notes of other banks of 887,000 marks, in advances of 4,454,000 marks, in investments of 17,518,000 marks, in securities of 395,150,000 marks and in general liabilities of 13,909,000 marks. The German Bank reports its gold holdings at 1,091,634,000 marks, which compares with 1,116,400,000 marks in 1919 and 2,346,200,000 marks the year previous to that. Note circulation has reached the huge total of 53,975,286,000. A year ago it stood at 29,968,360,000 and in 1918 12,510,360,000 marks.

Last Saturday's statement of New York associated banks and trust companies was somewhat less favorable, as while the loan item showed a reduction of \$38,572,000, reserves were sharply cut; the latter chiefly as a result of the contraction of reserve credits at the Reserve Bank. Net demand deposits declined \$64,281,000, to \$4,138,349,000. The latter does not include Government deposits, which were reduced to \$19,888,000, a loss for the week of \$26,263,000, bringing these deposits down to the smallest total reached since March 13, at which time they were slightly over \$18,000,000. As noted above, the reserves of member banks with the Federal Reserve Bank were reduced \$51,721,000, to \$540,668,000. Cash in own vaults of members of the Federal Reserve Bank gained \$12,902,000, to \$101,566,000 (not counted as reserve), while reserves of State banks and trust companies in own vaults fell \$26,000, to \$8,591,000. Reserves in other depositories (State banks and trust companies) declined \$103,000, to \$8,747,000. Aggregate reserves decreased \$51,850,000, to \$558,006,000. Surplus, owing to a contraction in reserve requirements, decreased only \$43,407,850, but this brings excess reserves on hand down to

\$10,017,800, which contrasts with last week's total of more than \$53,000,000. The above figures for surplus are on the basis of legal reserves of 13% for member banks of the Federal Reserve system, but do not include cash in vault amounting to \$101,566,000 held by these banks on Saturday of the week preceding. The Federal Reserve Bank of New York in its statement showed the reserve ratio unchanged, largely as a result of a reduction in net deposits, besides which the aggregate of Federal Reserve notes in circulation was reduced \$11,000,000. Bill holdings were reduced somewhat over \$10,000,000.

The call money market at this centre went along pretty smoothly at about 8% until Wednesday when during the afternoon small loans at 9% were reported, but the official rate remained at 8%. There was nothing that could be called a flurry until the following afternoon when loans at 11% were reported. Yesterday the renewal rate was 9%, which was maintained until the last hour, when loans were made at 8%. Practically no time money is being offered and quotations remain unchanged. There is really little use of attempting to go into a detailed explanation of conditions that have resulted in the rates for money already noted. The truth is that these conditions are about the same as they have been for many weeks. To be sure, the Government withdrew \$22,000,000 of deposits this week in two equal amounts. Naturally this had some bearing on the money market here but, as we have so often said, transactions of this character exert only an incidental influence, as it were. The real causes of the scarcity and tightness of money are much deeper seated and much wider in their influence. They have been outlined in these columns so frequently in recent months that it is quite unnecessary to even enumerate them again at this time. Until the volume of business in this country is on a smaller scale, until loans that have been tied up in commodities for a long time for one reason or another are liquidated to a much greater extent than they have been so far, and until the freight congestion is relieved materially it would seem entirely illogical to look for more than a temporary ease in money, which would be reflected, as it has been from time to time in recent months in lower call money quotations for very brief periods. Some bankers say that we will get over the crop moving season more easily than has been generally predicted, but the majority of those well informed on conditions in this country and on the money position think that every effort possible will have to be made to avert a serious stringency during that time.

As to specific money rates, loans on call have covered a range of 8@11%, which compares with 7@10% last week. For the first three days of the week, Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, rates were virtually "pegged" at 8% and this was the only rate quoted, it being the high and low and renewal figure on each day. On Thursday, heavy Government withdrawals produced a slight flurry and for a short time call funds were rushed up to 11%, although the minimum was still 8%, and this was the basis at which renewals were negotiated. Friday's range was 8@9%, and 9% the renewal basis. The above figures apply to both mixed collateral and all-industrial loans alike. Offerings were light and lenders are showing an indisposition to put out funds

in large amounts. Much of the scarcity is attributed to the poor showing of last week's bank statements. In time money there were no offerings to speak of. Consequently trading was very dull. A few loans for short periods were negotiated, but these were for moderate amounts. The range is still 8@8½% for all maturities from sixty days to six months on regular mixed collateral and 8½@9% for all-industrials, unchanged.

Mercantile paper rates continue to be quoted at 7¾% for sixty and ninety days' endorsed bills receivable and six months' names of choice character, and names not so well known at 8%. High grade names were in good demand, especially by country institutions, but offerings were light so that transactions in the aggregate attained but small proportions.

Banks' and bankers' acceptances, as might be expected, have been less active, and during the latter part of the week transactions showed a marked falling off owing to the flurry in the call market. Prime acceptances were in limited supply. Both local and out of town banks were in the market as buyers at times for small amounts. The undertone was firm and rates still unaltered. Loans on demand for bankers' acceptances remain as heretofore at 5½%. Quotations in detail are as follows:

	Spot		Delivery		Delivery within 30 Days
	Ninety Days.	Sixty Days.	Sixty Days.	Thirty Days.	
Eligible bills of member banks.....	6½@6¼	6½@6¼	6½@6	6½@6	7 bld
Eligible bills of non-member banks.....	6½@6¼	6½@6¼	6½@6¼	6½@6¼	7 bld
Ineligible bills.....	7½@6½	7½@6½	7½@6½	7½@6½	7½ bld

The Federal Reserve banks of Chicago and Dallas have, like the Reserve banks of Philadelphia, Atlanta, Kansas City (not Minneapolis, as we stated last week) and San Francisco, established a discount rate of 6% on paper secured by Treasury Certificates of Indebtedness bearing 6% interest. The following is the schedule of rates now in effect for the various classes of paper at the different Reserve banks:

DISCOUNT RATES OF THE FEDERAL RESERVE BANKS
IN EFFECT JULY 15 1920.

Federal Reserve Bank of—	Discounted bills maturing within 90 days (incl. member banks' 15-day collateral notes) secured by—			Bankers' acceptances disc'd for member banks	Trade acceptances maturing within 90 days	Agricultural and live-stock paper maturing 91 to 180 days
	Treasury certificates of indebtedness	Liberty bonds and Victory notes	Otherwise secured and unsecured			
Boston.....	5½	6	7	--	7	7
New York.....	5½	6	7	6	7	7
Philadelphia.....	†6	5½	6	5½	6	6
Cleveland.....	5½	5½	6	5½	5½	6
Richmond.....	5½	6	6	6	6	6
Atlanta.....	†6	5½	6	5½	6	6
Chicago.....	†6	6	7	6	7	7
St. Louis.....	*5½	5½	6	5½	6	6
Minneapolis.....	5½	6	7	6	6½	7
Kansas City.....	†6	5½	6	5½	6	6
Dallas.....	†6	5½	6	5½	6	6
San Francisco.....	†6	6	6	6	6	6

*5½% on paper secured by 5½% certificates, and 5% on paper secured by 4½% and 5% certificates.

†Discount rate corresponds with interest rate borne by certificates pledged as collateral with minimum of 5% in the case of Philadelphia, Atlanta, Kansas City and Dallas and 5½% in the case of Chicago and San Francisco.

Note.—Rates shown for Atlanta, St. Louis, Kansas City and Dallas are normal rates, applying to discounts not in excess of basic lines fixed for each member bank by the Federal Reserve Bank. Rates on discounts in excess of the basic line are subject to a ½% progressive increase for each 25% by which the amount of accommodation extended exceeds the basic line.

Sterling exchange has been subjected to some rather unsettling influences this week, and notwithstanding the arrival of another substantial shipment of gold, as well as apparently reliable reports that Great Britain would take over a major portion of France's share of the Anglo-French loan maturity, quotations sharply declined. For a time it looked as if recent predictions of materialy lower levels for English currency were in a fair way of being realized. Following fractional losses in the early dealings on liberal

offerings of commercial bills, news that serious disagreement had arisen at the Spa conference resulted in a sensational break on Wednesday of nearly 7 cents in the pound, to 3 87 $\frac{5}{8}$ for demand bills. Cable quotations from London also came lower and this served to accelerate the downward movement. Several prominent institutions appeared in the market as sellers of sterling bills, a fact which at once gave rise to rumors that the expected inflow of new crop grain and cotton bills had already commenced. This was quickly denied, although the opening of the grain exchanges to trading in wheat on July 15 will likely bring about larger offerings of grain bills, and it subsequently developed that the sudden accession of bills was mainly to cover shipments of freight that had been allowed to accumulate as a result of strike conditions at this port. Dealers continue to hold off pending the clearing up of the Spa difficulties, so that an almost complete absence of demand was noted, except at marked concessions. In the opinion of competent market observers much of the persistent selling was for account of speculative interests bent on still further depressing the market. Later in the week the news from Spa was more encouraging and although it now looks as if complete agreement on all the points at issue would take far longer to achieve than at first anticipated, sterling responded to reports that the Germans had yielded on the question of coal deliveries, by a partial recovery to 3 90 $\frac{1}{2}$, with the final range 3 88@3 89.

Tuesday's cable announcement to the effect that the British and French Premiers had entered into an agreement whereby Great Britain would assume the greater part of France's share of the Anglo-French loan in return for the withdrawal of France's opposition to the resumption of trading between England and Bolshevik Russia, came in for a good deal of discussion, and while there is no indication whatever that France does not intend to supply her share of the funds on or before maturity, quite a few bankers incline to the belief that some arrangement of the sort is probably under contemplation. With the reopening of trade with Russia, it is argued, \$300,000,000 gold would become available from Russian sources, a large part of which under the plan above outlined would be shipped to America for the liquidation of France's indebtedness and thus go far towards stabilizing and improving the status of both French and British exchange.

Dealing with the day-to-day rates, sterling exchange on Saturday last was dull and featureless; the undertone was easier and quotations declined to 3 94 $\frac{1}{2}$ @3 94 $\frac{5}{8}$ for demand, 3 95 $\frac{1}{4}$ @3 95 $\frac{3}{8}$ for cable transfers and 3 91 $\frac{1}{2}$ @3 91 $\frac{5}{8}$ for sixty days. On Monday trading was quiet until the late afternoon, when one or two large institutions came into the market as liberal sellers of commercial bills; rates ran off about 1 cent and demand declined to 3 93 $\frac{1}{2}$ @3 94 $\frac{1}{2}$, cable transfers to 3 94 $\frac{1}{4}$ @3 95 $\frac{1}{4}$, and sixty days to 3 90 $\frac{1}{2}$ @3 91 $\frac{1}{2}$. Increased weakness developed on Tuesday and quotations were further depressed to 3 92 $\frac{1}{2}$ @3 93 for demand, 3 93 $\frac{1}{4}$ @3 93 $\frac{3}{4}$ for cable transfers and 3 89 $\frac{1}{2}$ @3 90 for sixty days; liberal offerings of bills were mainly responsible for the decline. Wednesday's market was heavy and rates broke sharply; demand bills sold down to 3 87 $\frac{5}{8}$ @3 91 $\frac{1}{4}$, cable transfers to 3 88 $\frac{3}{8}$ @3 92, and sixty days to 3 85@3 88 $\frac{1}{4}$; this was largely due to pessimism over the deadlock at the Spa conference, which

caused lower quotations both here and in London. News on Thursday that a compromise arrangement was likely to be effected between the Allied Premiers and the Germans over the disputed questions brought about a firmer undertone and the quotation moved up to 3 87 $\frac{1}{2}$ @3 90 $\frac{1}{2}$ for demand, 3 88 $\frac{1}{4}$ @3 91 $\frac{1}{4}$ for cable transfers and 3 84 $\frac{7}{8}$ @3 87 $\frac{7}{8}$ for sixty days; trading was less active. On Friday the market ruled quiet and about steady; demand ranged between 3 88@3 89, cable transfers at 3 88 $\frac{3}{4}$ @3 89 $\frac{3}{4}$, and 60 days at 3 85 $\frac{3}{8}$ @3 86 $\frac{3}{8}$. Closing quotations were 3 86 $\frac{1}{8}$ for sixty days, 3 88 $\frac{3}{4}$ for demand and 3 89 $\frac{1}{2}$ for cable transfers. Commercial sight bills finished at 3 88 $\frac{1}{4}$, sixty days at 3 85 $\frac{1}{8}$, ninety days at 3 82 $\frac{1}{8}$, documents for payment (sixty days) at 3 84 $\frac{1}{8}$, and seven-day grain at 3 84 $\frac{1}{8}$. Cotton and grain for payment closed at 3 87 $\frac{3}{4}$. Gold arrivals this week have been limited to the \$3,150,000 which arrived on the Emperor, as expected, on Saturday of last week. It is understood, however, that an additional amount of the precious metal is on board the New York, which left Queenstown on July 10. Furthermore, cable advices state that American bankers are still buying South African gold in the open market in London, so that additional substantial gold shipments are looked for.

Movements in the Continental exchanges have for the most part closely paralleled those in sterling, and the trend in nearly all cases has been toward lower levels. Trading was more active, but spotty and fluctuations decidedly irregular, especially for francs and lire, which lost ground heavily. The latter-named currency, after early weakness, broke sensationally, losing in quick succession, first 23 centimes, then 28 centimes, on selling by international bankers, which brought the quotation down finally to 17.12 for checks, a loss of 50 points. Francs also dropped sharply, touching at one time 12.17, or 15 points below the extreme low of the previous week. Belgian francs, as usual, moved in sympathy with French exchange. Austrian kronen were under some pressure and declined to 00.63—5 points off. Berlin marks were likewise easier and ruled around 2.50 for checks, which is approximately 10 points under the levels of a week ago, although there was some recovery before the close. A feature of the recent dealings in German exchange is the continued almost complete absence of speculation in reichsmarks, and this despite the fact that calculations as to the probable outturn of the indemnity settlements have offered tempting opportunities for speculative transactions. Yesterday, despite improvement in the outlook for an amicable settlement of certain disputed points between the Spa conferees, quotations were, if anything, a trifle lower, and the close was barely steady.

According to a statement made public early in the week, a number of leading foreign exchange banks have decided, by way of experiment, to try the new method of quoting Latin exchanges, with the result that commencing with July 15 all banks party to the arrangement will quote French, Belgian, Italian and Swiss exchange in cents per unit. To prevent confusion arising from a too sudden transition, most institutions are still either quoting in the old way or else furnishing rates under the new method with the accompanying equivalent in francs or lire to the dollar. It is claimed by some that eventually the old method will be dropped altogether, and the new substituted, which should greatly simplify lire and franc quota-

tions and do away with the apparent contradiction that when quotations advance the market is declining, and vice versa. It developed yesterday, however, that a good many bankers are doubtful as to whether their customers will take kindly to the innovation.

A recent announcement from Washington which attracted some attention was to the effect that foreign exchange transactions with Soviet Russia are still under the control of the Federal Reserve Board and that the general license of Aug. 8 1919, relating to foreign exchange transactions with Russia, is still in force. It is declared that the status of this ruling is not affected or nullified by the action of the State Department in permitting trade with Russia and that further regulations are not contemplated.

The official London check rate on Paris closed at 46.34, which compares with 47.50 a week ago. In New York sight bills on the French centre finished at 11.97, against 11.89; cable transfers 11.95, against 11.93; commercial sight at 12.01, against 11.93, and commercial sixty days at 12.08, against 11.99 the previous week. Belgian francs closed at 11.22 for bankers' sight bills and 11.20 for cable remittances. Last week the close was 11.09 and 11.07. Closing quotations for reichsmarks were 2.59 for checks and 2.61 for cable transfers, which compares with 2.60 and 2.62 last week. Austrian kronen finished at 00.66 for checks and 00.67 for cable transfers, against 00.68 and 00.69 a week ago. Lire closed the week at 16.87 for bankers' sight bills and 16.85 for cable transfers. This compares with 16.52 and 16.50 the week before. Exchange on Czecho-Slovakia closed at 2.25, against 2.37; on Bucharest, which has ruled stronger, advanced sharply and closed at 3.10, against 2.65; on Poland at 61, against 68, and on Finland at 4.10, against 4.32. Greek exchange is a shade easier at 7.76 for demand and 7.74 for cable remittances.

Dealings in the neutral exchanges are still at a low ebb, although considerable irregularity was noted and rate variations were more widespread than has been the case of late. This was regarded as more or less a reflex of the movements in sterling and in the other Continental exchanges, and not especially significant. Practically all of the list, guilders, Swiss francs, Spanish pesetas and Scandinavian exchange, displayed weakness especially toward the latter part of the week when losses in some instances were quite marked. At the extreme close, however, a firmer tone was noted and the final range was appreciably above the low for the week. The persistent weakness in Dutch guilders evident in the past week or two is ascribed quite generally to the belief that the prosperity of this country is closely bound up with the fortunes of Germany. Recent declines in pesetas represent heavy selling, presumably by Spanish interests, on import payments.

Bankers' sight on Amsterdam closed at 35, against 35 $\frac{1}{4}$; cable transfers 35 $\frac{1}{8}$, against 35 $\frac{3}{8}$ commercial sight at 34 15-16, against 35 3-16, and commercial sixty days at 34 9-16, against 34 13-16 on Friday of the previous week. Swiss francs finished at 5 64 for bankers' sight bills and 5 62 for cable transfers. Last week the close was 5 56 and 5 54. Copenhagen checks closed at 16.75 and cable transfers 16.85, against 16.45 and 16.55. Checks on Sweden finished at 22.05 and cable transfers 22.15, against 22.10 and 22.20, while checks on Norway closed at 16.75

and cable remittances 16.85, against 16.20 and 16.25 the preceding week. Final quotations for Spanish pesetas were 16.05 for checks and 16.10 for cable transfers, as against 16.20 and 16.25 a week earlier.

With regard to South American quotations, Argentine exchange, after a decline early in the week to 40.93 for checks, rallied slightly and finished at 41.25 and cable transfers at 41.37 $\frac{1}{2}$, against 41.15 and 41.30. The weakness is believed to be due to the almost total cessation of exports of wool, hides and skins, which are said to comprise nearly two-thirds of that country's commerce. For Brazil the check rate broke to 23.48, but subsequently recovered to 23.50 and 23 $\frac{5}{8}$ for cable transfers. Chilean exchange is now quoted at 21, against 22 last week. Peru was lower, at 4.99 $\frac{7}{8}$, against 5.02. Consul-General Baker at Trinidad is responsible for the statement that American firms drawing drafts on customers in the British West Indies should take care to insure the collection of such drafts in terms of American dollars and not in the local West Indian dollar, for the reason that while formerly American and West Indian dollars were always at par, there is now a difference of as much as 20% in favor of the former. A short time ago the value of West Indian dollars had fallen to something like 40% under that of the U. S. dollar.

Far Eastern rates are as follows: Hong Kong, 72 $\frac{1}{2}$ @73, against 74@74 $\frac{1}{4}$; Shanghai, 103 $\frac{3}{4}$ @104, against 103@104; Yokohama, 51 $\frac{3}{8}$ @51 $\frac{5}{8}$, against 51 $\frac{3}{8}$ @51 $\frac{5}{8}$; Manila, 48 $\frac{1}{2}$ @49 $\frac{1}{4}$, against 48 $\frac{1}{2}$ @49 $\frac{1}{4}$; Singapore, 47@47 $\frac{1}{2}$ (unchanged); Bombay, 38 $\frac{1}{2}$ @39 (unchanged), and Calcutta, 38 $\frac{1}{2}$ @39 (unchanged).

The New York Clearing House banks, in their operations with interior banking institutions, have gained \$8,386,000 net in cash as a result of the currency movements for the week ending July 16. Their receipts from the interior have aggregated \$10,422,000, while the shipments have reached \$2,036,000. Adding the Sub-Treasury and Federal Reserve operations and the gold imports, which together occasioned a loss of \$66,065,000, 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 \$57,679,000, as follows:

Week ending July 16.	Into Banks.	Out of Banks.	Net Change in Bank Holdings.
Banks' interior movement.....	\$10,422,000	\$2,036,000	Gain \$8,386,000
Sub-Treasury and Fed. Res. oper'ns and gold imports.....	21,186,000	87,251,000	Loss 66,065,000
Total.....	\$31,608,000	\$89,287,000	Loss \$57,679,000

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

Banks of—	July 15 1920.			July 17 1919.		
	Gold.	Silver.	Total.	Gold.	Silver.	Total.
England	£ 122,879,497	£ —	£ 122,879,497	£ 88,703,675	£ —	£ 88,703,675
France a	144,413,019	9,880,000	154,293,019	143,520,447	12,040,000	155,560,447
Germany	54,583,600	165,600	54,749,200	55,653,400	991,500	56,644,900
Russia*	—	—	—	—	—	—
Aus-Hun.	10,944,000	2,369,000	13,313,000	10,927,000	2,383,000	13,310,000
Spain	98,102,000	24,581,000	122,683,000	90,849,000	26,261,000	117,110,000
Italy	32,191,000	2,999,000	35,190,000	32,712,000	2,964,000	35,676,000
Netherl'ds	53,025,000	1,178,000	54,203,000	54,810,000	626,000	55,436,000
Nat. Bel.	10,649,000	1,055,000	11,704,000	10,641,000	1,131,000	11,772,000
Switz'land	21,325,000	3,484,000	24,809,000	18,778,000	2,769,000	21,547,000
Sweden	14,503,000	—	14,503,000	16,102,000	—	16,102,000
Denmark	12,668,000	147,000	12,815,000	10,432,000	143,000	10,575,000
Norway	8,120,000	—	8,120,000	8,178,000	—	8,178,000
Total week	583,403,116	45,858,600	629,261,716	541,306,522	49,308,500	590,615,022
Prev. week	581,230,491	46,086,250	627,316,741	540,929,839	49,317,000	590,246,839

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

* We have eliminated from the above statement all reference to Russian specie holdings, as no figures later than those for Oct. 20 1917 are obtainable, and circumstantial reports indicate that they are now practically nil. We give on another page a statement of Mr. W. J. Novitsky, former Assistant Minister of Finance of the All-Russian Government (crowded out of last week's issue), indicating what has become of the gold then held.

THE CONFERENCES AT SPA.

We do not know of any occasion in history when so singular, and in many respects so baffling, a situation has been created as has arisen in the controversy between Germany and the Allies, over the fulfillment of the Treaty of Versailles. The enforcement of indemnities against an unwilling and protesting government is itself nothing new. There were repeated cases in the career of Napoleon, for instance, in which that conquering general imposed a money penalty on a defeated hostile government, in which that government protested its absolute inability to pay; and in which, nevertheless, the payment was enforced. This was notably the history of the negotiations with Austria after Austerlitz. There have been other episodes, though as a rule much further back in history, when payment of such a penalty in goods or in services was required and exacted, regardless of the defeated nation's protests.

But the present situation differs essentially from all such precedent. Napoleon was in the habit of laying down as an ultimatum that unless the stipulated ransom were paid, either his armies would continue to occupy the conquered territory and his emissaries to collect the taxes from it, or else a very substantial part of the defeated nation's territory would be sequestered permanently. So, in the older cases where payment in services or goods was stipulated—as in many of the Roman conquests—the conquering army, or as much of it as was necessary, remained to enforce the terms and to directly supervise the compliance with them.

These are, however, precisely the alternatives which the Allies are rightly reluctant to enforce. It is not merely the cost and inconvenience of a standing army of occupation, with its area of direct control extended far beyond the originally contemplated bounds, which cause this unwillingness. A far more serious consideration arises from the doubt as to what would actually be accomplished by that recourse. The money indemnity Germany cannot pay except by raising foreign loans and speeding up home production, and the occupation by foreign armies of districts of Germany now free from foreign occupation would certainly obstruct either her use of the national credit or the stimulation of German business activities. These facts have been more than hinted at this week by the German delegates at Spa, who asked whether, if not enough coal was being produced from the German mines to meet the deliveries to France and Belgium, stipulated by the treaty, the presence of an Allied army of occupation could increase it. Their answer—probably a correct one under the circumstances supposed—was that the German miners would almost certainly produce still less.

This situation exists quite independently of the rightfulness of the terms laid down at Paris. The argument of the Allied Council is logical, and on the basis of abstract justice it is indisputable. It is true, the demand that Germany should be made to repay to her antagonists the entire cost of the war was recognized at the outset by judicial-minded people as out of the question. It has latterly been conceded, even in official circles of the Allies, that there was the gravest kind of economic objection to the plan for an indefinite money penalty, to be adjusted hereafter to what should appear the capacity of Germany for payment. No one, however, has dis-

puted on the ground of justice the rightfulness of requiring the German Government to pay in cash, dollar for dollar, the full amount of damage inflicted by her armies and sea forces on the property of the Allies, and to make good, ton for ton, the wanton destruction inflicted by her on the coal mines of the invaded regions. Yet when this was frankly conceded, the question remained exactly as before, what should be done if Germany professed herself unable or unwilling to make the prescribed reparation.

If the situation were one in which the German Government and people had absolutely and sullenly refused to assent to the requisitions of the Allies, the prospect of any rational settlement of the war would be dark indeed. Fortunately, that is not the situation. The hope for solution of the seemingly insoluble difficulty lies in the manifest fact that the German Government, and presumably the German people, have acquiesced in the inevitable sentence of an immense reparations penalty, and are anxious to have the terms and details mutually agreed to, once for all, and as soon as possible. But the German Government has been steadily manoeuvring for better terms, and in doing so has urged to the uttermost the plea of financial inability, of economic exhaustion and of unstable political conditions in Germany itself.

We do not see that the Germans can be rightly blamed for doing this. At best, the terms are harsh, and if they are just when measured by the actions of the German Government between July 1914 and November 1918, the burden of paying the penalty will, nevertheless, fall on hundreds of thousands of German citizens who were individually responsible neither for the declaration of war nor for the manner in which the war was carried on. This consideration cannot affect the rightfulness of exacting reparation; but it provides a powerful argument for the present German Government to use its persistent endeavor for such mitigation of the penalty as it may be possible to obtain. It is only reasonable to take into consideration also the well-known fact that a very large body of opinion in the Allied countries was not content even with the concessions of Lloyd George and Millerand, towards fixing a definite lump sum for the indemnity and adjusting it to what seemed to be the economic possibilities.

There was always the possibility of a political demonstration in France, powerful enough to blockade all such efforts at a reasonable sentiment. It has been easy to understand this attitude of the French people; who were moved to it, not merely by a human instinct of retaliation but by fear that, unless the economic recovery of Germany were to be actually handicapped by the terms of reparation, that recovery might turn out to be so much more rapid than the recovery of France as to leave the French people at a hopeless disadvantage in the race to recover the foreign markets. But to Germany, whose immediate problem is to make possible for herself any kind of economic recovery, the possibility of reversion to the severe terms of indemnity as originally discussed presents itself necessarily in a very different light.

It has, therefore, seemed to us from the first that supplementary negotiations, with a view to modifying or defining the exact terms of reparation, were unavoidable as a sequel to the Paris Treaty. The Allied statesmen have themselves recognized that fact in opening the conference at Spa, and they probably recognize now that such supplementary

negotiations cannot be instantly completed. That they will be completed, in such a way as to insure the acquiescence both of the German and the Allied people, appears to us entirely probable—always assuming that there is not to be deliberately created a situation in which the feelings of popular resentment, of international hatred, should be so far brought to another climax as to supersede all the reasoning of political and economic judgment. But a much longer series of negotiations may be involved.

THE CULPABLE ACTIVITIES OF THE AMALGAMATED ASSOCIATION OF STREET AND ELECTRIC RAILWAY EMPLOYEES.

Francis Ralston Welsh, the well known investment bond dealer of Philadelphia, sends us a document, dated June 25, issued by Mr. Joseph M. Brown, who was Governor of Georgia seven years ago, concerning the criminal activities of one particularly law-defying labor organization, the Amalgamated Association of Street and Electric Railway Employees of America. This document of 20 quarto pages Mr. Brown addresses directly to Members of Congress, and it is timely at this juncture when unionism openly asserts its power and intention to elect a Congress of its "friends" and defeat candidates whom it chooses to consider "enemies."

To begin with, this organization (for convenience called simply Amalgamated) hides behind the well-known shield of not being incorporated, thus being irresponsible in the legal sense of the term, keeping out of reach of ordinary proceedings and immune even from a compulsory adherence to its own engagements as to wages and conditions, so that such engagements endure only until their advantages have been reaped and it suits the convenience of the makers to repudiate them. On the other hand, these unions claim and obtain the fullest benefit of "compensation" laws to recover damages from their employers for injuries by accident, though the cause of the injury may be partly or wholly their own negligence. Mr. Brown cites as one illustrative example the case of a motor-man in Atlanta who has a leg broken because of a worn or defective rail or car axle; if the company does not promptly settle he gets a verdict easily for say \$5,000. But when a strike order comes from Detroit and in execution thereof the company's office building is destroyed (as did happen in Springfield, Ills.) the individual culprit may be traced out and sent to the penitentiary, but the Amalgamated leaves the company to replace its own building. Mr. Brown admits that the law can and does deal with the individual miscreants when their conduct is brought home to them, but he avers that when the head of the Amalgamated sends out his order from his central den neither he nor any fellow officer is ever brought to account nor have the parties injured in the various States obtained any recompense.

Therefore, urges Mr. Brown unanswerably, this Amalgamated should be brought to responsibility. It is unincorporated, yet making employment contracts and "doing business" (of its sort) in all the States, "in its name." All labor organizations should be made to incorporate, so that for any damage they do to other persons their funds can be levied upon and they can be made to assess their members in all States; for, says Mr. Brown, "the same argument by which they justify levying a fund in all States to win a strike by doing willful damage to property or persons in one city will justify a law which makes them levy

a like assessment to pay for the said willful damage they have done by or during the strike they had ordered in that city."

Mr. Brown sums up the record as "79 strikes, with anarchist atrocities, brought about by this Association in at least 65 cities from Portland, Me., to Portland, Oregon, and from Duluth, Minn., to New Orleans, inclusive, in 31 States and the District of Columbia." He enumerates 65 cities and fills eight pages of rather small type with more detailed account of these outrages. This city is one, and perhaps our citizens have not quite forgotten the trouble here in July-October of 1916, "handled" by the organizer from a distance, W. D. McMahon. Whether the object be some re-arrangement of wages and hours, or the restoration of some employee discharged for cause, or the application of collective bargaining by an outside set of intervenors, the methods are always of the same kind: attacks upon the property of the company and upon its employees who attempt to operate cars, and, on the other hand, an appeal direct to the public by assaults on persons (women being not excepted) who attempt the crime of riding on the cars. Mr. Brown quotes "organizer" Fitzgerald (has New York forgotten him?) who said during that disturbance that "we shall use moral force, and if that fails we shall paralyze transit in New York as it never was before . . . if I can throw the State of New York into confusion, by God I will do it." A number of citations are made from our newspapers of that time as to presenting the sentiments and the hearty support of Mr. Gompers; Police Commissioner Woods than called the rioting "deliberate murder" and said that not the car crews but innocent bystanders were commonly hit by the missiles used.

Space cannot be given for many details, yet a few must be cited. The "peaceful picketing" took the usual forms; for example, two women here testified that strikers had called at their homes to warn them to keep their husbands away from working or have them hurt, and one said the callers threatened to "get" her if her husband did not quit, so he had to quit. And as here in New York, so elsewhere.

In pursuit of information, Mr. Brown says he sent over 400 letters to officials of street-car lines, and like letters to city officials, editors, and prominent citizens. To the 400 he had barely 150 replies, officials of some lines ignoring as many as three successive epistles, while others did send information but said they must not be quoted, "as, otherwise, the Amalgamated might do their properties and their loyal employees harm." Local No. 732, he adds, had been especially active and lawless in Atlanta, so that the State power in Fulton County "practically expelled it from the city." But then, proceeds Mr. Brown, an appeal was taken to Caesar, for he quotes a published statement on July 19 1918, by the President of the Georgia Railway & Power Company, that it was formerly the company's policy not to retain any member of the Amalgamated, believing this policy "essential in order to prevent strikes." Accordingly it "did dismiss from its employment men who joined Local No. 732." But the company has recently "changed its policy and consented that any of its employees who may desire may join Local 732," and the statement said this was "in response to the urgent request of the President of the United States." Mr. Brown adds on this point that the company's attorney said in a public speech that "no

other power on earth could have made us do it as long as there was any breath left in our body."

Mr. Brown quotes Section 63 of the Amalgamated constitution to the effect that any member who enters military service or the police or constabulary of any State "shall take a withdrawal card from this Association;" that the local division shall be charged with seeing that he does this and terminates his membership; and further, that the Association shall not be liable for any funeral or disability benefit to any member or to his beneficiaries in case of "death or injury while temporarily serving in the militia or other military or police organization."

Mr. Brown cites some facts of record such as President Wilson's appeals to Gov. Spry of Utah on behalf of the I. W. W. culprit Hillstrom; his intervention on behalf of one of the confessed dynamiters in the memorable case of the Los Angeles "Times;" his intervention on behalf of Mooney, convicted of murder by a bomb in a parade in San Francisco on July 22 1916; finally, his appointment of W. D. Mahon himself as a member of a commission "to investigate and recommend a plan for rehabilitation of the street railway industry."

This deliberately prepared review of an organization which has given evidence of its character in many cities and has a deservedly bad name is not anonymous; it comes from a man of sufficient account to have been Executive of the Empire State of the South and he cites incidents of cotemporary record and still fresh in the minds of many persons. While organized labor boastfully announces that candidates for the next Congress will be required to face and justify their records it is quite time it were required, by a resolute electorate, to meet and justify its own.

CRUDE RUBBER—ITS ANOMALOUS SITUATION.

The position of the crude rubber market presents one of the anomalies of war and after the-war-conditions. Since the manufacture of automobile tires absorbs 70 per cent of the crude rubber that enters this country, these two industries are so closely bound together that their interests are mutual. During the war there was a super-demand for automobiles in a market whose production of cars had been increasing by leaps and bounds. Starting with a production of 65,000 commercial and passenger cars in 1908, in ten years this had been increased to 1,868,947 cars. Falling off in 1918 to 1,153,637 cars, production again mounted, in 1919, to 1,974,016. This rapid growth is best expressed by reference to the following table:

PRODUCTION OF MOTOR VEHICLES—ALL CLASSES.
(From the National Automobile Chamber of Commerce.)

	Number.	Wholesale Value.
1908	65,000	\$137,800,000
1909	127,731	165,148,529
1910	187,000	225,000,000
1911	210,000	262,500,000
1912	378,000	378,000,000
1913	485,000	425,000,000
1914	569,045	458,957,843
1915	892,618	691,778,950
1916	1,583,617	954,969,353
1917	1,868,947	1,274,488,449
1918	1,153,637	1,236,106,917
1919	1,974,016	1,885,112,546

The production of crude rubber kept pace with the rapid advance in motor vehicles and in fact over-reached it. The plantation owners of the Far East—largely the British—reached the conclusion in 1917 that the percentage of United States increase in the manufacture of cars was going to receive no set-back and planned accordingly. The result was

that in the year 1918, while our output of automobiles fell off by more than 700,000 cars, a surplus of crude rubber was developed, amounting, by the end of 1918, to practically 140,000 tons. Although the United States car output is again on the up-grade, the rubber surplus has not yet been absorbed and this fact has made for an unsettled market condition ever since.

The price of crude rubber is now at the lowest point ever recorded, the best grades of plantations selling around 34 to 35 cents a pound in a market that is dull, heavy, and featureless. When the Amazon was the chief source of supply and before plantation rubber had become an established commercial factor, Para up-river-fine was the market leader, and commanded fabulous prices as the demand began to over-top the supply; \$3.18 was the high mark, and during 1911 and 1912 prices of rather more than a dollar prevailed. Since that time, as production increased, there has been a steady decline. During the war the Government fixed a maximum price of 62 cents and 63 cents respectively on "smoked ribbed sheets" and "first latex crepe" though many sales took place at figures below those fixed. It was not until the enormous surplus appeared, in 1918, that the bottom really dropped out of rubber—and there seems to be no bottom yet in sight.

Crude rubber is the only commodity of commerce, we believe, that has been unfavorably affected by the war. There is a reason why there was a surplus in 1918. In the cultivation of plantation rubber vast orchards of trees were planted. There are said to be 2,900,000 acres—a tract of land as large as the entire state of Connecticut, now planted and producing. The problem of production is different from that of other agricultural products. Cotton, corn, wheat and the like are planted each year, and production can be controlled every year as desired, but rubber trees, once planted and yielding latex, will continue to do so indefinitely, year in and year out. The operation is perennial. The market, therefore, awaits the absorption of the 1918 surplus and the further advance in the output of cars, and it seems apparent that both of these conditions are coming about.

The story of the decline of the Amazon as the chief source of crude rubber supply, giving place to the plantations of the Far East, has seldom been told. It is a story of the passing of unscientific and slipshod business methods for modern, up-to-date practices. The Amazon is the source of all best grades of rubber where the trees grow in a wild state, but the unhealthy conditions surrounding the gathering of the crop have made it impossible to place the Brazilian industry on a scientific business footing.

On the Eastern plantations, however, with seeds taken from the Amazon, it has been possible to establish the industry on a basis with which the Amazon has been unable to compete. The decline of the one and rise of the other is best seen from an inspection of the following table:

WORLD'S PRODUCTION OF CRUDE RUBBER.
(In tons of 2,240 pounds.)
(From Rickinson's "The World's Rubber Position.")

	Plantation.	Amazon	Other.	Total.
1900	4	26,750	27,136	53,890
1906	510	36,000	29,700	66,210
1910	8,200	40,800	21,500	70,500
1915	107,867	37,220	13,615	158,702
1919	285,000	30,000	10,000	325,000
1920 Estimated	310,000	28,000	9,000	347,000

The plantation industry in crude rubber is a distinctly British innovation. For thirty years Englishmen experimented with growing Para rubber trees

in the tropical Orient before it became a commercial fact—but as soon as this fact was established others came into the field. In 1909 and 1910 the United States Rubber Company made its first investment in rubber plantations, which has developed since into the largest single plantation in the world. It covers an area more than three times the size of the Island of Manhattan, but, even so, it is but a fraction of the total plantation area now operating, the remainder being largely British, widely distributed in ownership through joint stock companies.

But if Great Britain is the producer, the United States is the user of the product, fully 70 per cent of the crop coming to this country. The magnitude to which this import has grown within the past few years will be seen by reference to the accompanying table:

UNITED STATES CRUDE RUBBER IMPORTS.

(In tons of 2,240 pounds.)

(From the Rubber Association of America.)

1900	24,688	January 1920	21,351
1905	33,617	February "	32,994
1910	50,522	March "	31,650
1915	86,034	April "	23,675
1917	166,687	May "	27,338
1918	194,799	June "	14,881
1919	231,510		

Notwithstanding the fact of the rubber surplus, still unabsorbed, the best authorities think that, with the present increase in demand made by the automobile, there is likely to be a rubber shortage within a very few years. Messrs. W. H. Rickinson & Son of London are the acknowledged crude rubber statistical experts of the world, and in their "The World's Rubber Position" of recent date they supply convincing figures to assist those who are desirous of making a forecast of the world's future production and consumption.

Starting with the 1919 consumption of 320,000 tons, they state that the demand has increased in the United States at the rate of 27.7 per cent a year during the past ten years. Should the demand increase at a rate of, say, 25 per cent a year for the next four years, (a figure they think reasonable) this would amount, in 1924, to double the present figure, or 640,000 tons. The present rate of production on the 2,900,000 acres of plantation is about 247 pounds per acre, and Rickinson & Son see no way by which the old orchards can be extended during this time, nor how a sufficient number of the new orchards, now planted, can come into the full production necessary to make up this deficiency; neither do they see that the old orchards, which have shown a decreasing percentage of annual increase in quantity of bearing, amounting in 1919 to but 7.8 per cent, are going to help the situation. For this reason they predict a shortage in supply in 1924.

Figures like these, coming from such a source, are looked upon as authoritative and the rubber trade, recognizing that something like the above was likely to happen even before the Rickinson figures appeared, are looking for new sources of supply. The Amazon cannot be relied upon to furnish more than the 28,000 or 30,000 tons it is producing today. The other sources of wild rubber—Central Africa and Central America, have long ago reached their maximum of 9,000 to 10,000 tons a year. The Philippines, although available for plantation production, are out of the calculation because the Philippine government will not permit the introduction of coolie labor—without which successful competition cannot be had with other of the Far Eastern producing centres.

Attraction is therefore drawn to the *Chrysosthamus Nauceous* or Rabbit bush, a tree growing in great profusion in our arid Southwestern States, and long known to contain valuable quantities of crude rubber. The inexact and inadequate information heretofore existing on the quantity, quality and availability of rubber from this source is now being supplemented by scientific commercial investigation which discloses the fact that the *Chrysosthamus* of the *Nauceous* variety will supply crude rubber of good grade. It discloses that there is at present, growing wild in Nevada, Utah, Colorado and Southern California, a sufficient quantity of this bush to supply 300,000,000 pounds of pure rubber, or nearly half of the present world's yearly production. The investigators report farther, that, with proper methods of cultivation and selection, the bush may be made to yield from 15 to 20 per cent of rubber, and that this source, in time, will be able to supply this country's needs.

The investigations have been carried on by professors Harvey Monroe Hall and Thomas Harper Goodspeed of University of California, supplemented by Dr. Herbert J. Webber who is recognized as being the foremost plant breeder of the United States. Large quantities of the bark of this bush, from which the rubber is extracted, have been analyzed, treated and pronounced by Dr. David Spense, Chairman of the Subcommittee on Rubber and Allied Substances of the National Research Council, to be "rubber of high grade and average quality—not as good as the best up-river—fine, but a great deal better than most Africans and low grade rubbers."

Based upon the reports of these scientific gentlemen it is understood that one of the large rubber companies is now making closer investigations into the commercial aspects, costs of production, and other items that enter into a determination of its value as a substitute, in whole or in part, for our supply.

THE RIGHT TO WORK vs. THE RIGHT TO STRIKE.

Mr. Gompers in his answer to Governor Allen's query as to who controlled the "divine right to strike" in the switchmen's "outlaw" strike, made the following statement: "Labor has no desire to cause inconvenience to the public, of which it is a part. The public has no rights which are superior to the toiler's right to live and to his right to defend himself against oppression." Now we are bound to assume, in these two sentences used in close conjunction, that "labor" and "the toiler" mean one and the same person or class. Notice that in the first use "labor" or "the toiler" or class in mind is admitted to be a part of the public. Let us apply this by a reconstruction of the second sentence which will take on the following form: "The public has no rights which are superior to a "part" of the public's right to live, and to (its) right to defend itself against oppression. In a word, when it comes to a test of the survival of a part or the whole (including the part) the whole has no rights the former is bound to respect.

It would be difficult to find a clearer example of an obsession. Mr. Gompers thinks in terms of organized Union labor, which he admits is about "one fourth" the population,—then he apparently tricks himself into believing that in speaking for part and "striking" for a part he is speaking and striking for the whole. If it could be said the other three fourths are not laborers then there might be

something in the plea on the ground that he who does labor, in a test of survival of the fittest, has a right to live before the life of the non-laborer is considered. But this is not the case, for, in some form or degree, all men are laborers, whether they be rich or poor.

But later, in the answer, the whole contention slips over into a contention between employer and employee: "Employment to the employer means one thing; employment to the worker means another," he said; "to the employer it is an impersonal thing, like buying steel, while to the worker it is the means of sustaining life, and by the day's pay is measured the meagreness or the fulness of life for him. Employment to the employer is the basis of profits, while to the worker it is life." Now surely employment, in the abstract, a condition, a thing apart from each, must be the same to each—that is to say save for the way each looks at it and the way it is made to serve each. Employment is the essential, the one indispensable thing to both. The employer can no more live without this essential "employment" than can the employee. Regardless of contrasting conditions between rich and poor, an employer must exist if there is an employee; and it is therefore folly to talk about "employment," the thing, being life to one alone and something else not life to the other. Then comes the "effective weapon," so-called, of the "strike" to protect this "life" of the employee—whether or not the employer is to be allowed to live and whether or not there is capital, or raw material or the "tools of trade." All of which is certainly an absurdity.

Take these two separated sentences and consider them together: "The strike—the withdrawal of their service—is the one final effective weapon they" (the workers) "possess. The State can offer no substitute, the public can hope for no State-made substitute, for the struggle is in industry, not in politics. . . . When industry ceases to be operated for profit alone, then will there be time to relax that eternal militant vigilance which has saved the workers from the abyss and given them a position of power and an intelligence fitting to our Republic and our time." Unless we are mistaken Mr. Gompers is not an advocate of "profit-sharing." He does not accept Syndicalism or Communism or Socialism, as we understand his position. Nor did he assent to the "Plumb plan" openly, if we remember correctly—which as far as the roads were concerned was equivalent to the State ownership of one of our largest public utilities. Now if the employer is to be recognized therefore as a private owner *then* it follows the "profits alone" must include some per cent of profits to which he must give assent (even regardless of the forces of open competition to name this percentage). If so—then inevitably the wage-scale is thereby affected—and a "strike" which does not reason, does not compromise, and does not (or will not) arbitrate, is a blind unreasoning force to compel the employer to accept the estimate of wages (part of profits) made by the "strikers" regardless of whether capital or the employer can pay it and *live*. And in the end this is one situation to which the whole question has come—that to protect the life of "the workers," "one fourth," any means of coercion of three-fourths, including employers, is just, reasonable, and "human progress"—even to the sacrifice of the life of employers and "capital" and that "abstraction" called "public welfare!"

Thus it must be seen that thinking of union labor and talking in terms of the rights of "one-fourth" as paramount to all others, and all other rights, runs round in a circle, and finally reaches its starting point in an absurdity which has grown to be an obsession. It is said that "whom the Gods would destroy they first make mad." Is "labor" becoming incapable of clear reasoning?

WHERE IS UTOPIA?

There is a land where eager youth may work and "win a way." And millions do, for opportunity is infinite as the will and wish of man. It is a land of fair demesne and wide extent, where vales invite and cities lure and marts abound. Work commands its wage; and for his wage the worker may exchange his toil for myriad things of use and beauty. There is a medium of exchange called money, naught in itself, yet still potential for every want and need of life. In youth, ambition ventures forth to field and forge, to shop and factory, to ship and car, to dare and do the deeds that win reward, and none may say another nay. The roads to wealth are countless, open, free. If one have strength of body, force of mind, he may plan, pursue, and proffer all, to avid takers everywhere; for what is made may be exchanged, and what is bought be sold again. These countless efforts, tireless energies, ceaseless changing enterprises, constitute a "commerce," and interlacing, interlocking, weave a magic carpet on which a people rests the institutions that, though immaterial, still endure, to help and honor every man. For in this land there is a mind for every need, and need for every mind.

Unlike the dreamer's land of heart's desire, this country of accomplishment abounds in real things we touch and taste and handle. One price there is for everything, howe'er expressed, the price of service into benefit, to those who will and work. For one day's labor one may buy some part in all the mines of earth, some part in all the products of all men, of all time. When thoughts are turned to things, their uses follow close, and though it took a thousand years to perfect one object, article, enterprise, he who buys for marked price, in that perfected quality and use, takes title free to all the toil and travail of the past. And what one owns no other man may take; and what one uses, be it toil or trade, though it pleasure, comfort and sustain himself, confers a good that cannot be withheld, upon the human race. Though thousands seek to do the self-same work, and strive, each in his way, to excel his fellows, yet the seeking serves to show what each must grant the other if anyone succeed, and there is unity in purpose, development of rights, and interests in common.

And in this famous land are many inequalities. Some are rich; some, poor. Each has one body and one mind—no two are there alike. Each dwells somewhere upon the earth, in city or in country. Each sets a task unto himself—though many do what they must, not what they would—in order that by serving some want or need of others work may bring rewards that sustain the personal life. Some prosper more than others, work longer, save more, invest more wisely. Many have not minds that can conceive great enterprises, though all are free to do so, and these prefer to work for others. Many will not take the risks of trade, have not the courage of conception or execution—and consequently plod along, seeking competency rather than fortune.

Others spend as they go, sipping the wine of life, careless of to-morrow, and accumulate nothing. So that there are innumerable single efforts in the working-world of earthly existence, each as we say "doing the best he can" to "make a living," and though efforts seem and sometimes do often conflict, there is emulation everywhere. And ambition spurs the workers on, the mass rises, the momentum of increase increases, and there are manifold products, enterprises, vocations, trades, businesses, to which all are free, from which all reap common benefits, and in which all have a common mastery over fate. One owns more lands, houses, factories, ships, cars, moneys, credits, than another, but the operation of them all procures the common good.

Such is the urge of desire, such the personal capacity to conceive, execute, and achieve, that no one would be wholly satisfied with what another owns and does with what he owns, and so, whether efficiency, as in the administration of a trust, or joy as in the pleasure and success of a personal wish, life is to each the opportunity to express himself. Though all be free, each is bound in the 'atmosphere,' the environment, created by all the others, and could not be happy in the same way or degree with any other man, and gains nearest to his own goal by self-directed effort. Hence inequality in possession, use, ownership, of the means of life—and yet the divine privilege of a 'career' and the common hope, if not always the full fruition of individual desire. This then is called in truth the "land of the heart's desire." Valleys bloom to harvest, cities shine in splendor, civilization, the sum total of all thought and toil, invites all men, afar, to peace and plenty.

But in the midst of this hive of industry and home of wealth, based on toil and flowering into thought, there are institutions for betterment embodying the public weal and the personal interest of all in each and each in all. Government is first and foremost. And when it does not interfere with the personal liberty, and protects the rights of property and preserves the open field of effort, the forces of life, through competition attain to co-operation, and secure both the individual and the community. All good works thus in this land trace back their origin to invention, development and improvement—of the physical means at hand, and personal powers of those who erect the Government for mutual protection. And no other land, all things considered, has attained to such heights of useful and joyous living. What is termed the spiritual in man, the hidden qualities, the inner nature, in no other land, albeit some surpass in special ways, equals that attained in this "land of the heart's desire."

Yet such is the constitution, call it soul, of the man, that wish outruns consummation, and desire unsatisfied produces unrest—and there are those who wishing well to all, will not wait for the development, are not satisfied with the laws, grow restive under restraint and rebellious under discipline, and hatch out of their zeal, impatience and conceit, plans and theories to hasten growth. So strong is their conviction of what is right, so selfish their endeavor to impose their causes and creeds on their fellows, that they shout their panaceas from the housetops, organize their zealots into unions and camps, and seek by incessant appeal to make the Government the arbiter of all advance, the owner of all liberty, law, order, effort, enterprise, and property—and

rouse a tumult in affairs that seemingly threatens revolution, convulsion and decay. Yet to millions who go forth each day to work these reformers and reforms are no more than the summer storms, that whirl, and dipping now and then to earth wreck and waste the harvests of the years.

In the intangible possessions of life and growth—called economics and politics—these voices are loud and long. They listen to their own thoughts until they believe. They would bring the millenium, and failing turn to despair, dying disappointed. They are the evil of a misplaced good. Sometimes poisoned by indifference, neglect, failure and despair they turn against "things as they are" and would break down, "overturn," annihilate. But by a very natural condition, no government can contain all these reforms, that conflicting and confusing destroy each other—the while that progress proceeds according to the survival of those enterprises and institutions that in their continuance, bringing greatest good to the greatest number, sustain themselves and are indestructible. The storms of opinion pass, the zealots die, and the world moves on. The ideal changes, the idea remains. That which has, in physical or spiritual world, laid hold on eternal verities of man's human-divine nature and of his predestined allotment to dominance over environment, cannot be destroyed. And the very liberty that protects liberty becomes enduring. This land, "land of the heart's desire," best of earth and promise and hope of time will likewise endure, for, despite all, it best preserves manhood and the man. It is called the United States of America!

A LITTLE KNOWN FINANCIER AND STATESMAN.

It is an interesting fact that the founding in 1694 of the Bank of England, the greatest, the most influential and the oldest of existing national banks, was the far-seeing project of a young Scotchman, only 34 years of age, William Paterson by name.

His story is told in the Canadian Bankers' Journal in an article by Mr. William Lang of Liverpool, which we compress.

It was just after the accession of William and Mary and a time of great commercial expansion. The national debt of England was begun a year earlier, in 1693, and the charter of the British East India Company was granted in 1702. Paterson had engaged in trade in the Indies, and had returned to England with a scheme for a trading company, with the Isthmus of Darien. As this was not favorably received, he turned to other projects and suggested the National Bank. Venice had founded such a bank in 1157, and a similar bank had been established in Stockholm in 1688. The idea had been extant in England for forty years, but Paterson was the first to give it tangible expression. The new Government required the aid of a sound financial system and a successful means of obtaining loans at reasonable rates.

In the face of the opposition of the money lenders, and the political antagonism of the Tories, and the general objections that it would be a monopoly, with arbitrary power, that it would withdraw money from trade and employ it in stock-jobbing, encouraging fraud and gambling, the charter was granted.

Bishop Burnet is quoted as saying in his "History of His Own Times": "Some thought that all the money in England would come into their hands, and

they would in a few years become masters of the wealth and stock of the nation; but those that were for it argued that the credit it would have must increase trade and the circulation of money, at least in bank notes. It was visible that all the enemies of the Government set themselves against it with such a vehemence of zeal that this alone convinced all people so that they saw the strength that our affairs would receive from it."

The Act by which the Bank was established is entitled "An Act for granting to their Majesties several duties upon tonnage of ships and vessels, and upon beer, ale, and other liquors, for receiving certain recompenses and advantages in the said Act mentioned, to such persons as shall voluntarily advance the sum of fifteen hundred thousand pounds toward carrying on the war with France." The Act authorized the raising of £1,200,000 by voluntary subscription, the subscribers to be formed into a corporation styled "The Governor and Company of the Bank of England." £300,000 were also to be raised by subscription, the contributors to be paid in annuities for one, two or three lives. The corporation was to lend the whole of their capital to the Government, receiving eight per cent interest; and no one was to subscribe more than £10,000 to the capital for one year, nor at any time more than £20,000. The whole subscription was filled within ten days and the charter was issued July 27 1694. The bank was not to trade in "any wares, goods, or merchandise whatsoever," but could deal in bills of exchange, gold or silver bullion, and sell any goods, wares or merchandise upon which they had advanced money, and which had not been redeemed within three months after the time agreed upon.

Paterson was one of the original directors, but for some reason did not long remain, and soon returned to his original scheme for planting a colony at Darien. He was joined by a group of distinguished Scotchmen. The Earl of Stair, Lord Justice Clerk Cockburn, Sir Robert Chiesly, the Lord Provost of Edinburgh and the renowned patriot, Fletcher of Saltoun. The plan aroused the greatest enthusiasm in Scotland, then a country of great poverty and excluded from any participation in England's Eastern enterprises.

The Scotch Parliament granted a charter and Paterson readily raised £300,000 in London, and received promises of £200,000 from merchants in Hamburg and Holland. But the jealousy of the English joint-stock companies led Parliament to compel the withdrawal of the English subscribers, and to secure the desertion of the continental merchants. Disaster followed the early undertakings across the sea, after Paterson, who had shouldered the responsibility for the earliest loss, was deposed from the post of manager; and the story of the "Edinburgh Adventures" became one of the historic tales of widespread individual disaster.

Far greater losses were soon to be occasioned by the bursting of John Law's "South Sea Bubble"; but Paterson saved Scotland from Law's scheme to salve the financial distress by the adoption of an inconvertible paper currency.

Though himself financially ruined, Paterson with indomitable courage and the far-seeing patriotism which had characterized him from the earliest days, set himself to bring about the permanent union of Scotland and England. He realized that the existing jealousies, racial, commercial and political, could

only so be removed. "Not any sort of league, confederacy, limitation, agreement or bargain, or, indeed, anything less or below a complete union," he writes in a pamphlet published in 1706, "can introduce the good which may be justly expected therefrom, or effectually deliver these nations from the mischiefs and inconveniences they labor under and are exposed unto for want thereof. Nothing less than a complete union can effectually secure the religion, laws, liberty, trade, and in a word, the peace and happiness of the island."

Though the last act of the Scottish Parliament was to declare Paterson to merit a great reward for his labors in promoting the union and to recommend him to the favor of Queen Anne, he died without the honor of sitting in the joint Parliament, and only as he was on his death-bed did he obtain payment of a large sum of money long due him for public services.

His story we find worth retelling not simply because he called into being the two permanent institutions which more than any other have for two centuries secured the financial and political greatness of his country, the Bank of England, the "Old Lady of Threadneedle Street," and the union embodied in the Parliament of Great Britain, but because of a courage which disaster could not daunt, a patriotism which lack of recognition and bitter opposition could not dampen, and a commercial and political foresight which make him to-day worthy of all admiration.

THE HALF-YEAR'S FAILURES RECORD.

Notwithstanding the noticeable increase in number of failures in June, carrying the total of insolvencies for that period to a higher level than in any month since December of 1918, the aggregate of defaults for the first half of 1920 was the smallest for the initial six months of any year later than 1881, falling over 100 under the low mark set in 1919. But, due to a marked expansion in the indebtedness in the last month of the period (giving an aggregate of liabilities the heaviest of any monthly period since April 1915, and ascribable to an unusual number of large failures in the miscellaneous class, made up of brokers, agents, &c.), the sum of the debts for the half-year is well above that of 1919 and only a little under 1918. Our authority for these facts is the report compiled by Messrs. R. G. Dun & Co., and in making it public they remark that "the half-yearly returns do not present an exact picture of the change in the business mortality, for the increase in failures has been mainly of recent occurrence, and it is only by examining the June statistics that a true insight into existing conditions is obtained. While it obviously was not to be expected that failures would remain at their abnormally low levels indefinitely, yet the insolvency record for June affords additional evidence that economic readjustment is in progress; and the weak spots in the commercial situation are now coming to the surface, under the influence, among other things, of credit restrictions and diminished consumption of commodities."

In making comparison between number of failures now and in much earlier periods, allowance should of course be made for the intervening increase in the number of firms in business. In other words, the percentage or ratio the mercantile casualties bear to the number of firms in business at the stated times is the true basis of contrast. We have noted above that defaults in the first half of 1920 were

the fewest for the period since 1881, but adopting the other method of comparison it is revealed that the percentage this year is only 0.196 against 0.225 for the earlier, and that in only one year (1880) in over half a century was the ratio of insolvencies to number of firms in business less than now and, moreover, in negligible degree.

The mercantile casualties in all lines in June 1920 are reported by Messrs. R. G. Dun & Co. as 674, covering liabilities of no less than \$32,990,965, against only 485 and \$9,482,721 last year, 804 and \$10,606,741 in 1918 and 1,186 and \$18,055,153 in 1917. In fact, as regards the volume of indebtedness in June, we must go back to 1914 for a heavier aggregate than that of this year. It is to be noted, too, that in all the various divisions into which the failures are segregated the number and debts were greater than a year ago with the showing among brokers, agents, &c., the most unfavorable as regards the amount of money involved. Last year the liabilities in that division at \$3,600,116 were much larger than in the preceding year, but in 1920 they have mounted up to \$19,485,599. In the trading division the debts covered by the failures of the month were over three times those of a year ago—\$7,019,269 comparing with \$2,323,175—and were well ahead of 1918. Manufacturing indebtedness also showed expansion, but in lesser degree, the June 1920 aggregate standing at \$6,486,097 against \$3,559,430 and \$4,697,733, respectively, one and two years ago.

For the half-year the exhibit is more favorable, as during most of the months the insolvencies and resulting liabilities showed contraction from the preceding year. In fact, as already noted, the number of defaults was the smallest in 39 years and the liabilities, although running ahead of 1919, were with that exception the smallest since 1907, an excellent showing taking into account the immense expansion in business the last few years. Specifically there were 3,352 failures covering liabilities of \$86,743,876 in the first six months of 1920 against 3,463 and \$68,710,886 last year, 5,889 and \$87,793,562 in 1918 and 12,740 and \$188,587,535 in 1915—these latter totals the highest in our history for the particular period covered with the Rumely failure at that time, an important factor in the volume of debts. The disasters among manufacturers showed a moderate drop in number as contrasted with 1919—from 1,016 to 901—and there was a decline in indebtedness from \$32,903,515 to \$24,016,377. In the trading division, on the other hand, there was a slight rise in the number of defaults and a moderate increase in the liabilities, 2,140 failures for \$24,269,247 comparing with 2,111 for \$20,805,773. In the brokerage, agents, &c., lines, despite a decrease in the number of firms forced to the wall the liabilities were \$38,458,252, the heaviest on record for the first half of the year and contrasting with only \$15,001,598 in 1919. Banking suspensions reached only 17 for \$5,612,000 against 38 for \$8,691,396 a year earlier.

Geographical analysis of the six months' failures reveals the fact that in four divisions, viz., the Middle Atlantic, South Atlantic, Central West and Pacific, the insolvencies were greater in number than in 1919, and in these same sections and the Central, East and West as well, the liabilities were also in excess. This leaves only New England and the South Central divisions as showing improvement over 1919

in both number and amount. As regards the individual States, New Mexico enjoys the distinction of presenting a clean slate for the period under review. Finally we note that, while in the first quarter of the year the liabilities for the whole country at \$29,702,499 were 17.1% under those for the like period of 1919, the second quarter's aggregate of \$57,041,377 showed an increase of 73.4% and were, moreover, 50% in excess of 1918.

In the Dominion of Canada the first half of 1920 witnessed an increase in the number of failures as compared with 1919, due more particularly to stress among small traders in Ontario, Manitoba and Saskatchewan. At the same time, however, the indebtedness reported was the smallest in any year since 1912. Specifically there were 415 insolvencies involving \$7,636,633, this comparing with 385 and \$9,316,645 last year and 501 and \$8,654,694 the year before. In manufacturing lines liabilities of \$4,590,476 contrast with \$6,312,373 last year; traders' debts of \$2,557,351 with \$2,470,036, and those of brokers, &c., of \$488,806 with \$534,236. There have been no bank suspensions since 1915.

RAILROAD GROSS AND NET EARNINGS FOR MAY.

Our monthly compilation of the gross and net earnings of United States railroads, this time covering the month of May, is again of an unfavorable nature. Conditions, however, were such as to make any other result out of the question. The so-called outlaw strike, which served so seriously to interfere with railroad operations in April, had greatly aggravated consequences in May. The congestion of traffic and tying up of freight, and the embargoes thereby imposed on traffic movements, with the shortage of cars, eventually produced a situation so desperate that on May 20, on the recommendation of the railway executives themselves, the Inter-State Commerce Commission exercised the emergency powers granted to it under the new Transportation Act and arranged for the distribution of cars without regard to ownership. In these circumstances, railroad operations not only were difficult but costly. Hence, though gross earnings record substantial improvement as compared with the corresponding month of 1919, the additions to expenses are of such magnitude as greatly to overtop the gain in gross receipts, leaving consequently a heavy loss in net earnings. Stated in brief, gross earnings increased over those of May last year by \$38,629,073, but the augmentation in expenses was not less than \$61,001,464, thereby producing a decrease in net of \$22,372,391. The comparative totals for the two years are as follows:

May—			Inc. (+) or Dec. (—)	
	1920.	1919.	Amount.	%
Miles of road.....	213,206	211,040	+2,166	1.03
Gross earnings.....	\$387,330,487	\$348,701,414	+\$38,629,073	11.08
Operating expenses.....	358,646,429	297,644,965	+61,001,464	20.49
Net earnings.....	\$28,684,058	\$51,056,449	-\$22,372,391	43.82

As in preceding months for a very long time past, the particularly unfortunate feature is that the shrinkage in net follows very considerable losses in the years immediately preceding. While special causes explain the further great augmentation in expenses in 1920, the fact of the matter is that mounting expenses have become a common feature of railroad affairs and there appears to be no way of getting the cost of operation back to normal levels. Aside from the special incidents and circum-

stances of an adverse nature that are continually cropping out and swelling the expense accounts, the steady advances in wages, together with the high prices that have to be paid for fuel, materials, supplies and everything else entering into the operating accounts of the railroads, serve to keep railroad operating cost at extreme figures.

As indicating the way expenses mounted up last year and the year before, it is only necessary to note that in May 1919, though gross earnings increased as compared with 1918 in amount of \$35,132,305, the augmentation in expenses reached \$69,091,093, leaving therefore a diminution in the net in amount of \$33,958,788. Similarly for May 1918 our compilations registered \$31,773,655 increase in gross, but \$14,459,024 decrease in net, owing to an increase of \$46,232,679 in expenses. For the three years combined, therefore, the loss in net for this single month has been \$70,790,203, in face of an increase in gross earnings of \$105,535,033. Expenses in the three years for this month have run up \$176,325,236. Even prior to 1918 rising expenses were a feature of the returns, though not of course to anywhere near the extent which has since developed. In the following we show the May comparisons for each year back to 1906. We give the results just as registered by our own tables each year, though in 1908 and prior years a portion of the railroad mileage of the country was unrepresented in the totals owing to the refusal at that time of some of the roads to furnish monthly figures for publication.

Year.	Gross Earnings.			Net Earnings.		
	Year Given.	Year Preceding.	Increase or Decrease.	Year Given.	Year Preceding.	Increase or Decrease.
May.	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
1906	115,304,506	105,787,062	+9,517,444	34,414,213	30,946,848	+3,467,365
1907	144,267,760	121,074,984	+23,192,776	43,765,836	37,319,290	+6,446,546
1908	133,680,555	172,218,497	-38,537,942	38,076,927	50,922,678	-12,845,751
1909	196,826,686	170,600,041	+26,226,645	64,690,920	49,789,800	+14,901,120
1910	230,033,384	198,049,990	+31,983,394	70,084,170	64,857,343	+5,226,827
1911	226,442,818	231,066,896	-4,624,078	69,173,574	70,868,645	-1,695,071
1912	232,229,364	226,184,666	+6,044,698	66,035,597	68,488,263	-2,452,666
1913	263,496,033	232,879,970	+30,616,063	73,672,313	66,499,916	+7,172,397
1914	239,427,102	265,435,022	-26,007,920	57,628,765	73,385,635	-15,756,870
1915	244,692,738	243,367,933	+1,324,805	71,958,563	57,339,166	+14,619,397
1916	308,029,096	244,580,655	+63,448,441	105,598,255	71,791,320	+33,806,935
1917	353,825,032	308,132,969	+45,692,063	109,307,435	105,782,717	+3,524,718
1918	374,237,097	342,463,442	+31,773,655	91,995,194	106,454,218	-14,459,024
1919	413,190,468	378,058,163	+35,132,305	58,293,249	92,252,037	-33,958,788
1920	387,330,487	348,701,414	+38,629,073	28,684,058	51,056,449	-22,372,391

Note.—Includes for May 96 roads in 1906. 92 in 1907; in 1908 the returns were based on 153,310 miles of road; in 1909, 220,514; in 1910, 229,345; in 1911, 236,230; in 1912, 235,410; in 1913, 239,445; in 1914, 246,070; in 1915, 247,747; in 1916, 248,006; in 1917, 248,312; in 1918, 230,355; in 1919, 233,931; in 1920, 213,206. Neither the Mexican roads nor the coal-mining operations of the anthracite coal roads are included in any of these totals.

The returns of the separate roads are a duplicate of the general results. Increases in the gross are common enough, though instances of losses, some for considerable amounts, are not lacking, and these attest the unfavorable nature of the conditions prevailing. In the net, decreases predominate and yet increases are not altogether lacking, these latter occurring where adverse conditions were not all-controlling or special favoring circumstances existed in the comparison with last year. Unfortunately the Pennsylvania Railroad has not yet filed its return with the Inter-State Commerce Commission and hence is missing from our compilation. The New York Central, though having added \$3,060,929 to gross earnings, falls \$5,686,018 behind in net. This refers to the operations of the New York Central itself. Including the various auxiliary and controlled roads, like the Michigan Central, the Big Four, &c., the whole going to form the New York Central System, the result is a gain of \$2,973,559 in gross, but a loss of \$9,712,356 in net. The Baltimore & Ohio is able to make a much better showing, having added \$3,935,674 to gross and \$1,352,033 to net; the Erie, on the other hand, reports \$227,743 decrease in gross

and \$1,553,962 decrease in net; the Lackawanna \$495,493 decrease in gross and \$1,234,495 decrease in net. Contrariwise, the Philadelphia & Reading has bettered both gross and net in large sums—the former by \$1,290,742 and the latter by \$1,257,204. In the New England group the New Haven, with \$1,492,772 gain in gross, has \$252,198 loss in net, but the Boston & Maine has added \$1,214,782 to gross and \$617,475 to net.

In the South the Southern Railway makes a distinctive showing with \$2,082,091 increase in gross and \$2,020,784 increase in net, but the Louisville & Nashville with \$1,210,252 increase in gross reports \$201,838 decrease in net. The Atlantic Coast Line with \$744,995 increase in gross has \$63,314 decrease in net and the Seaboard Air Line with \$577,160 increase in gross falls \$391,195 behind in net, while similarly the Norfolk & Western, though having added \$498,433 to gross, suffers a decrease of \$270,059 in net.

In the West and Southwest the exhibits are likewise irregular. The Chicago & North Western with \$1,408,952 increase in gross has \$76,773 decrease in net, while the Milwaukee & St. Paul loses \$1,027,828 in gross and \$1,649,072 in net. The Great Northern has \$1,221,781 gain in gross but \$139,589 loss in net, and the Northern Pacific \$407,083 addition to gross with \$985,681 loss in net. The Union Pacific with a gain of \$1,058,041 in gross loses \$106,132 in net. The Southern Pacific makes an exceptionally good showing with \$2,669,955 increase in gross and \$1,053,678 increase in net. The Atchison with \$1,959,547 gain in gross loses \$996,832 in net; the Missouri Pacific with \$1,438,831 increase in gross has \$338,653 decrease in net; the Rock Island with \$1,889,386 increase in gross suffers \$941,456 decrease in net and the St. Louis & San Francisco with \$1,151,053 gain in gross reports \$177,965 loss in net. In the following we show all changes for the separate roads for amounts in excess of \$100,000, whether increases or decreases, and in both gross and net.

PRINCIPAL CHANGES IN GROSS EARNINGS IN MAY.

Increases.		Increases.	
Baltimore & Ohio	\$3,935,674	Chesapeake & Ohio	\$211,701
Southern Pacific (8)	3,446,378	Monongahela Connecting	200,368
New York Central	3,060,929	Minneapolis & St Louis	196,778
Southern Railway	2,082,091	Western Maryland	190,828
Union Pacific (3)	1,973,046	Spokane Portl & Seattle	183,498
Atch Top & Santa Fe (3)	1,959,547	Mobile & Ohio	169,640
Chic R I & Pacific (2)	1,889,386	Duluth & Iron Range	168,973
Illinois Central	1,711,270	Chicago Ind & Louisville	167,235
N Y N H & Hartford	1,492,772	Central Vermont	161,628
Missouri Pacific	1,438,831	Bangor & Aroostook	153,952
Chicago & North West	1,408,952	Detroit Toledo & Ironton	151,639
Philadelphia & Reading	1,290,742	Cine New Orl & Tex Pac	137,437
Great Northern	1,221,781	Louisiana & Arkansas	132,623
Boston & Maine	1,214,782	Western Pacific	118,931
Louisville & Nashville	1,210,252	Lake Erie & Western	106,294
St Louis-San Fran (3)	1,151,053	Bingham & Garfield	102,607
St Louis Southwest (2)	792,314	Lehigh & New England	101,924
Cleve Cin Chic & St L	779,060		
Atlantic Coast Line	744,995	Representing 71 roads	
Buffalo Roch & Pittsb	600,439	in our compilation	\$43,452,946
Seaboard Air Line	577,160		
Denver & Rio Grande	564,345	Decreases.	
Norfolk & Western	498,433	Duluth Missabe & North	\$1,366,719
Nashv Chatt & St Louis	488,122	Pittsburgh & Lake Erie	1,179,771
Yazoo & Mississippi Vall	426,908	Chicago Milw & St Paul	1,027,828
Northern Pacific	407,083	Bessemer & Lake Erie	665,199
Maine Central	382,433	Del Lack & Western	495,493
New Orl Tex & Mex (3)	381,177	Wabash	410,248
Minn St Paul & S S M	362,895	Long Island	294,732
Pere Marquette	349,100	Grand Trunk Western	155,147
Toledo St Louis & West	347,740	Richm Fred & Potomac	147,559
Kansas City Southern	336,467	Central New England	128,423
Los Angeles & Salt Lake	291,811	Hocking Valley	122,083
Florida East Coast	258,246	N Y Chicago & St Louis	111,720
Chic St Paul Minn & Om	254,111		
Elgin Joliet & Eastern	248,018	Representing 12 roads	
Missouri Kansas & Texas	218,647	in our compilation	\$6,105,222

Note.—All the figures in the above are on the basis of the returns filed with the Inter-State Commerce Commission. Where, however, these returns do not show the total for any system, we have combined the separate roads, so as to make the results conform as nearly as possible to those given in the statements furnished by the companies themselves.

b These figures cover merely the operations of the New York Central itself. Including the various auxiliary and controlled roads, like the Michigan Central, the "Big Four," &c., the whole going to form the New York Central System, the result is a gain of \$2,973,559.

PRINCIPAL CHANGES IN NET EARNINGS IN MAY.

Increases.		Increase.	
Southern Railway	\$2,020,784	Toledo St Louis & West	\$158,882
Baltimore & Ohio	1,352,033	Kansas City Southern	141,824
Philadelphia & Reading	1,257,204	Detroit Toledo & Ironton	112,900
Boston & Maine	617,475	New Orleans & Northeast	104,910
Southern Pacific (8)	391,015	Chic St Paul Minn & Om	104,892
Cin New Orl & Tex Pac	301,443	Bangor & Aroostook	101,738
Denver & Rio Grande	252,001	Atlantic & St Lawrence	102,834
Minn St Paul & S S M	223,783	St Louis Southwest (2)	101,949
Nashv Chatt & St Louis	199,532	Bingham & Garfield	101,816
Los Angeles & Salt Lake	194,505		
Buffalo Roch & Pittsb	193,199	Representing 29 roads	
Florida East Coast	161,324	in our compilation	\$8,199,012

Decreases.		Decreases.	
New York Central	\$5,686,018	Norfolk & Western	\$270,059
Chicago Milw & St Paul	1,649,072	Yazoo & Mississippi Vail	262,427
Erie (3)	1,542,612	N Y N H & Hartford	252,198
Lehigh Valley	1,493,442	Chicago Junction	239,871
Illinois Central	1,377,967	Central New England	237,023
Duluth Missabe & North	1,365,539	Chicago Great Western	235,708
Pittsburgh & Lake Erie	1,352,460	Louisville & Nashville	201,838
Del Lack & Western	1,234,495	Virginian	193,072
Cleve Cin Chic & St Louis	1,329,901	Det Gr Hav & Milw	189,717
Wabash	1,182,679	Mo Kan & Tex of Texas	184,882
Atch Top & S Fe (3)	996,832	Toledo & Ohio Central	184,158
Northern Pacific	985,681	Minneapolis & St Louis	180,045
Michigan Central	954,959	St Louis-San Fran (3)	177,965
Chic R 1 & Pacific (2)	941,456	Internat & Great North	172,001
Colorado & Southern (2)	669,217	Chic & Eastern Illinois	145,291
Bessemer & Lake Erie	629,272	El Paso & Southwestern	144,818
Chesapeake & Ohio	582,164	Great Northern	139,589
Delaware & Hudson	529,217	Whoelng & Lake Erie	131,920
Long Island	477,574	Kanawha & Michigan	117,753
Texas & Pacific	469,124	Rutland	116,021
Seaboard Air Line	391,195	Chic Indianap & Louisv	115,176
Graud Trunk Western	378,340		
Missouri Pacific	338,653		
Hocking Valley	304,861		
Richm Fred & Potomac	273,092		

Representing 54 roads in our compilation \$31,027,357

b These figures merely cover the operations of the New York Central itself. Including the various auxiliary and controlled roads, like the Michigan Central, the "Big Four," &c., the whole going to form the New York Central System, the result is a loss of \$9,712,356.

When the roads are arranged in groups or geographical divisions according to their location, the distinction between the showing in the gross and in the net appears more clearly. In the case of the gross all the different geographical divisions, with only a single exception, namely the Middle Western group, record gains, while in the case of the net four of the seven geographical divisions record losses. Our summary by groups is as follows:

Section or Group—	Gross Earnings			
	1920.	1919.	Inc. (+) or Dec. (-).	%
May—	\$	\$	\$	%
Group 1 (8 roads), New England	20,594,260	17,088,743	+3,505,517	20.51
Group 2 (35 roads), East & Middle	88,722,681	80,177,415	+8,545,266	10.66
Group 3 (28 roads), Middle West	34,493,240	34,769,743	-276,503	00.80
Groups 4 & 5 (33 roads), Southern	61,042,523	53,866,509	+7,176,014	13.32
Groups 6 & 7 (28 roads), Northwest	82,605,748	77,693,046	+4,912,702	6.32
Groups 8 & 9 (46 roads), Southwest	72,066,942	61,717,774	+10,349,168	16.77
Group 10 (12 roads), Pacific Coast	27,805,093	23,388,184	+4,416,909	18.90
Total (190 roads)	387,330,487	348,701,414	+38,629,073	11.08

Section or Group—	Net Earnings			
	1920.	1919.	Inc. (+) or Dec. (-).	%
May—	\$	\$	\$	%
Group No. 1	7,370	7,298	+72	0.98
Group No. 2	22,879	22,839	+40	0.17
Group No. 3	16,474	16,572	-98	-0.59
Groups Nos. 4 & 5	36,761	36,327	+434	1.19
Groups Nos. 6 & 7	58,433	57,094	+1,339	2.34
Groups Nos. 8 & 9	54,588	54,290	+298	0.55
Group No. 10	16,701	16,620	+81	0.48
Total	213,206	211,040	+2,166	1.03

NOTE.—Group I. Includes all of the New England States.
 Group II. Includes all of New York and Pennsylvania except that portion west of Pittsburgh and Buffalo, also all of New Jersey, Delaware and Maryland, and the extreme northern portion of West Virginia.
 Group III. Includes all of Ohio and Indiana, all of Michigan except the northern peninsula, and that portion of New York and Pennsylvania west of Buffalo and Pittsburgh.
 Groups IV. and V. combined include the Southern States south of the Ohio and east of the Mississippi River.
 Groups VI. and VII. combined include the northern peninsula of Michigan, all of Minnesota, Wisconsin, Iowa and Illinois, all of South Dakota and North Dakota and Missouri north of St. Louis and Kansas City, also all of Montana, Wyoming and Nebraska, together with Colorado north of a line parallel to the State line passing through Denver.
 Groups VIII and IX. combined include all of Kansas, Oklahoma, Arkansas and Indian Territory, Missouri south of St. Louis and Kansas City, Colorado south of Denver, the whole of Texas and the bulk of Louisiana, and that portion of New Mexico north of a line running from the northwest corner of the State through Santa Fe and east of a line running from Santa Fe to El Paso.
 Group X. Includes all of Washington, Oregon, Idaho, California, Nevada, Utah and Arizona and the western part of New Mexico.

As far as the movements of the leading staples are concerned, the Western grain movement as a whole did not differ greatly from a year ago in face of diverse results for the various cereals and for the different primary markets. Wheat receipts ran very much heavier than in 1919, reaching 22,195,000 bushels for the five weeks ending May 29 1920, against only 13,481,000 bushels in the corresponding five weeks of 1919, though in face of this increase for the Western primary points as a whole the wheat receipts at Chicago, St. Louis, Toledo, Detroit and Cleveland all were smaller than in the previous year. Total corn receipts also ran heavier than a year ago, though here likewise many primary points actually received less corn than in 1919. In the case of oats, barley and rye, the totals were all smaller than in the previous year, though here again certain markets form exceptions to the rule and show increases. For wheat, corn, oats, barley and rye combined, the receipts at the different markets for the

five weeks this year were 59,532,000 bushels against 59,167,000 bushels in the five weeks of 1919. The details of the Western grain movement in our usual form are shown in the table we now present:

Five Weeks end. May 29.	WESTERN GRAIN RECEIPTS.					
	Flour. (bbls.)	Wheat. (bush.)	Corn. (bush.)	Oats. (bush.)	Barley. (bush.)	Rye. (bush.)
Chicago—						
1920	550,000	1,557,000	3,473,000	4,975,000	974,000	577,000
1919	996,000	1,934,000	4,670,000	6,763,000	2,422,000	495,000
Milwaukee—						
1920	64,000	293,000	762,000	1,838,000	856,000	540,000
1919	92,000	277,000	440,000	2,243,000	2,042,000	428,000
St. Louis—						
1920	280,000	2,016,000	2,163,000	2,910,000	17,000	25,000
1919	359,000	2,486,000	1,117,000	3,064,000	80,000	45,000
Toledo—						
1920		360,000	183,000	395,000		
1919		498,000	90,000	546,000		
Detroit—						
1920		12,000	31,000	57,000		
1919	7,000	107,000	85,000	205,000		
Cleveland—						
1920						
1919		85,000	76,000	255,000		
Peoria—						
1920	265,000	815,000	1,280,000	1,406,000	31,000	256,000
1919	419,000	135,000	1,045,000	519,000	102,000	11,000
Duluth—						
1920		3,924,000		116,000	242,000	1,928,000
1919		996,000		73,000	379,000	2,559,000
Minneapolis—						
1920		7,030,000	407,000	1,143,000	865,000	508,000
1919		5,492,000	476,000	1,839,000	3,957,000	1,267,000
Kansas City—						
1920		3,992,000	1,590,000	576,000	48,000	
1919	23,000	1,079,000	1,354,000	1,383,000		2,000
Omaha & Indianapolis—						
1920		2,196,000	3,455,000	3,710,000		
1919		392,000	2,800,000	2,854,000		
Total of All—						
1920	1,159,000	22,195,000	13,344,000	17,126,000	3,033,000	3,834,000
1919	1,896,000	13,481,000	12,153,000	19,744,000	8,982,000	4,807,000

The Western livestock movement seems to have been considerably larger than in 1919. At Chicago the receipts for the full month comprised 23,184 carloads as against 21,489 carloads in the month last year; at Omaha the receipts were 8,806 cars against 8,586, though at Kansas City they were only 9,704 cars against 10,258.

The cotton movement in the South fell below that of last year. The shipments overland were 187,436 bales against 211,847 in May 1919 and 285,394 bales in May 1918, and the receipts at the Southern out-ports aggregated only 211,563 bales in May 1920 against 471,251 bales in May 1919, but comparing with 218,315 bales in May 1918. The details of the port receipts are as follows:

Ports.	May.			Since Jan. 1.		
	1920.	1919.	1918.	1920.	1919.	1918.
Galveston	34,830	154,029	37,564	825,737	729,697	483,167
Texas City, &c	9,687	15,764	10,389	199,580	89,030	71,474
New Orleans	75,297	141,137	92,106	656,461	638,934	667,737
Mobile	5,502	7,937	3,021	83,281	57,082	31,872
Pensacola, &c	2,934	635	6,200	12,938	7,465	19,987
Savannah	39,369	70,759	44,910	425,566	341,999	367,717
Brunswick	3,200	18,000	10,000	64,627	33,230	37,100
Charleston	29,628	19,288	3,944	262,623	73,211	43,998
Wilmington	877	14,348	3,363	47,097	52,775	32,892
Norfolk	10,142	29,249	6,818	123,576	136,182	100,788
Newport News, &c	97	105		2,673	866	3,033
Total	211,563	471,251	218,315	2,704,159	2,160,471	1,859,767

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 July 12.

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 July 16.

CREDITS AND ADVANCES TO ALLIES ON JUNE 30.

From the "Wall Street Journal" of July 8 we take the following:

Established credits and cash advances to foreign Governments, as at close of business June 30, were as follows:

	Credits Established.	Cash Advanced.
Belgium	\$350,428,793	\$338,745,000
Cuba	10,000,000	10,000,000
Czecho-Slovakia	67,329,041	59,521,041
France	3,047,974,777	2,957,477,800
Great Britain	4,277,000,000	4,277,000,000
Greece	48,236,629	10,000,000
Italy	1,666,260,179	1,631,338,986
Liberia	5,000,000	26,000
Rumania	25,000,000	25,000,000
Russia	187,729,750	187,729,750
Serbia	26,780,465	26,780,465
Total	\$9,711,739,634	\$9,523,622,042

\$10,000 has been repaid by the Belgian Government; \$12,147,000 has been repaid by the French Government, and \$64,164,007 has been repaid by the British Government.

ASSUMPTION BY GREAT BRITAIN OF FRENCH SHARE OF ANGLO-FRENCH LOAN—J. P. MORGAN & CO. WITHOUT ADVICES.

Prominence has been given to a copyright dispatch from London to the "Globe" announcing that an agreement had been reached between the British and French Premiers as a result of which Great Britain would assume the greater part of the French Government's share of the Anglo-French loan, France in return withdrawing her opposition to the resumption of trade relations with Soviet Russia. As to this report the "Journal of Commerce" of July 14, said:

The cabled report published here yesterday to the effect that an agreement had been entered into by Great Britain and France whereby the former would assume a large portion of the Anglo-French loan, in return for which France would withdraw opposition to the opening of trade with Russia, brought forth on the part of J. P. Morgan & Co. yesterday an unofficial statement that they had no knowledge of such a move.

It was pointed out in local banking circles that there was a possibility that there might be some refunding of a portion of the loan should money conditions around the middle of September indicate an easier tendency. No definite assurances that such action would be taken could be obtained, however, although in some quarters it was hinted that \$100,000,000 might be involved.

Further details of the dispatch to the "Globe" pointed out that with the resumption of trade with Russia, \$300,000,000 gold will immediately be available from Russian sources which will be deposited in the English banks to insure Russia's credit in the big buying campaign the Soviets are planning. As England's arrangement with France will necessitate \$150,000,000 additional gold to America, the receipt of the Russian gold will improve her financial situation and make possible the liquidation of the obligations to America without serious embarrassment to either.

BONDS OF SWITZERLAND GOVERNMENT ON NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE.

Dealings in the \$25,000,000 bonds of the Government of Switzerland, Lee Higginson temporary receipts, were begun on the New York Stock Exchange on July 13. These bonds, 8% 20-year, due July 1 1940, were offered last week by a syndicate headed by Lee, Higginson & Co., and the offering was noted in last Saturday's "Chronicle," page 132. The initial trading on Tuesday was opened with a sale of \$2,000 at 102¾. The first sale of a \$500 bond on the same day was effected at 103½. The closing sale yesterday was at 103.

ADOPTION OF NEW METHOD OF QUOTING FOREIGN EXCHANGE.

A sufficient number of local banking houses dealing in foreign exchange having agreed to the proposed change in the method of quoting exchange on countries in the Latin Monetary Union in terms of United States money instead of in units of foreign money, to warrant the adoption of the new method, it was put into effect on July 15. The proposed change was referred to in our issue of May 8, page 1934. The adoption of the new plan, it was said, was preceded by the appointment of a committee by the Foreign Exchange Club, under the Chairmanship of B. A. Duis, a Vice-President of the National City Bank, to consider the matter. While Mr. Duis is credited with having announced that an agreement to put the new system into effect had been reached by banking houses dealing in foreign exchange, we have been unable to obtain any official information from that source, and we quote the following from the New York "Sun" of July 14:

Beginning to-morrow all financial institutions in this city will quote foreign exchange rates in cents a unit. For a considerable time one or two dealers in foreign exchange have done business on the new basis, but not until yesterday was the consent of all of them obtained to omit the inconsistency of quoting sterling at so many cents a pound and francs at so many francs to the dollar.

Credit is given to the Foreign Exchange Club for originating the idea of simplifying exchange rates so far as local quotations are concerned. The subject has been widely discussed and finally all members of that club have agreed to quote not only Far Eastern South American and sterling rates on the basis of cents a unit but all European rates on that basis.

A sample of the inconsistency of the old method was the quotation of 16 cents a guilder and of 16 lire to the dollar. The proper relation between the two rates is expressed, the dealers say, when the cents a unit method is adopted.

It developed yesterday that some bankers are doubtful as to whether their customers will take kindly to the innovation.

REGULATION OF FOREIGN EXCHANGE TRANSACTIONS WITH SOVIET RUSSIA.

"Commerce Reports" of July 12 in stating that foreign exchange transactions with Soviet Russia are subject to control by the Federal Reserve Board, adds:

The Board's general license of Aug. 8, 1919, relating to foreign exchange transactions, which includes the special regulations for Russia, is still in force according to a statement by the Federal Reserve Board in response to inquiry.

The general license of Aug. 8, 1919, relating to foreign exchange transactions is as follows:

By proclamation of the President, dated June 26, 1919, all previous proclamations prohibiting the exportation of coin, bullion or currency, and the power and authority vested in the Secretary of the Treasury and in the Federal Reserve Board, and all orders, rules and regulations issued or prescribed in connection therewith were revoked and canceled, except that such proclamations, orders, rules and regulations were continued in force and effect in so far as they were necessary to enable the Secretary of the Treasury and the Federal Reserve Board effectively to control.

- (1) All exportations of coin, bullion and currency to that part of Russia now under the control of the so-called Bolshevik Government.
- (2) Any and all dealings or exchange transactions in Russian rubles.
- (3) Transfer of credit or exchange transactions with that part of Russia now under the control of the so-called Bolshevik Government.
- (4) Any and all transfers of credit or exchange transactions with territories in respect of which such transactions were then permitted only through the American relief administration.

This proclamation did not authorize remittances to enemy territory which were thereafter, as therefore, permitted only under special or general license of the War Trade Board. Under the general enemy trade licenses issued up to the present time by the War Trade Board, however, such trade is permitted, except in certain specified articles and commodities, with all persons with whom trade is prohibited by the Trading With the Enemy Act, except trade with Hungary and that portion of Russia under the control of the Bolshevik authorities.

On June 30, 1919, the Federal Reserve Board announced that remittances to the countries referred to in the fourth exception mentioned above were not thereafter subject to any restriction.

The Federal Reserve Board has just announced the issue of agent licenses permitting the exportation from the United States of Russian rubles, provided that notice of such exportations be given to the customs division of the Treasury Department and to the division of foreign exchange of the Federal Reserve Board. This regulation does not authorize the importation of Russian rubles into the United States.

The present situation is, therefore, that all restrictions have been removed from the export of coin, bullion and currency and from transactions in foreign exchange, except as to (1) transactions with or for persons in that part of Russia now under control of the so-called Bolshevik Government; (2) the importation of exchange transactions in Russian rubles.

REGINALD McKENNA OF LONDON CITY & MIDLAND BANK ON TAXABLE CAPACITY OF GREAT BRITAIN.

The London City & Midland Bank, Ltd. of London prints in its monthly review for June a speech by its Chairman, the Right Hon. Reginald McKenna, under the head of "The Taxable Capacity of the Nation," at the annual dinner of the National Union of Manufacturers held at the Savoy Union of Manufacturers held at the Savoy Hotel, London, on June 14. What Mr. McKenna had to say is of sufficient importance to warrant our reproducing his remarks herewith:

When we survey the field of manufacture and trade, of finance and economics, there is some considerable ground for satisfaction. Though still much too slowly, output is steadily increasing. There is a great demand for the principal products of our manufacture all over the world, a demand which we are still unable to meet. We hope and believe that the industrial unrest, which in part, at any rate, was a natural consequence of the long tension of the war, is at last subsiding, and that the labor conditions will permit of a more fruitful response to the vigor, enterprise, skill and knowledge which manufacturers and traders are ready to put into their business, and which are as marked to-day as they ever have been in our history.

There is, however, one dark shadow. I refer to finance. For my part, I cannot help thinking that we are suffering from an over-indulgence in virtue. There is one great characteristic in which the British people can claim pre-eminence over the rest of the world. No people can compare with us in readiness to submit to the burden of taxation. I remember that in the first year I was at the Treasury, 1915, a very important deputation of many of our leading bankers, merchants and manufacturers attended the Treasury in order to press upon me the need of imposing drastic taxation. I wonder how many of those gentlemen would be willing to join in a deputation to the Chancellor of the Exchequer to-day in order to press the same policy upon him. I believe that if men could be got to express their real inner thoughts, without being hampered by the sort of feeling that to shirk taxation is like running away, they would tell you that in the present condition of our industry and power of production we are already gravely over-taxed. It is not a question of willingness to pay, but of capacity to find the money without drying up all the springs which fertilise industry.

May I suggest that the time has come for us to direct our minds a little to the question: How much can the country safely be called upon to pay in the way of taxation? We shall have to answer the question in terms of money; but what we really have to keep our eyes firmly fixed upon is the maximum amount of goods and services which we are able annually to furnish for the corporate consumption of the nation. I say "corporate" as distinguished from the sum total of our individual consumption. We have no more to consume in the year than the goods we produce and the services we can render. If our consumption exceeds that amount, it can only be by borrowing goods and services from other nations.

You will not expect me to-night to go into an exact calculation of our maximum taxable capacity. It would be a long, difficult and intricate

examination. I can do no more than lay before you certain figures which will serve as guideposts in the inquiry. If we look back at the year 1913-14 we see that the Government expenditure amounted to about £200,000,000, and that the estimated savings of the community, according to the highest estimate made by any responsible authority, amounted to about £400,000,000. Thus, you will see, in that year the total national income exceeded the national expenditure, other than the Government expenditure, by £600,000,000. Now suppose for a moment that the national production in goods and services and the national consumption, apart from Government consumption, were the same to-day as in 1913-14. The surplus of production over consumption would also be the same, but measured in money it would amount to a very different figure. The pre-war value of the £ sterling was about two and one-third times as great as its present value, and the surplus of £600,000,000 in 1914 would mean a surplus of £1,400,000,000 at the present time. Now think of what that means. On the same basis of individual consumption and on the same basis of production as in 1913-14 the total surplus we could possibly have to spend on Government would be £1,400,000,000, leaving nothing whatever for further accumulation of capital for the development of our trade and manufactures. Those are elementary figures which anyone can examine for himself and which carry conviction by the mere statement of them.

I have assumed here that our production is the same to-day as in 1913-14. Unfortunately we know that this assumption is not correct. I do not think that I am overstating the reduction in our present output when I put the total output to-day at 80% of what it was before the war. Next I must remind you that our income six years ago included a large amount for interest on foreign investments which we have had to sell during the war. Our loss on this account is certainly over 50 millions a year. To that figure we must add the interest which we now have to pay on our foreign indebtedness; and I am certainly understating when I estimate the total loss on these two accounts at 100 millions a year.

There is a third item, moreover, in this calculation which must not be left out of consideration. I have assumed that the national consumption to-day is the same as in 1913. We know, however, that amongst considerable sections of the community—I am not here now to say whether it is right or wrong, I am merely recording the fact—the consumption of commodities, even at present prices, is on a greater scale than in 1913. In more than one trade wages have risen even faster than prices. Perhaps this increase of consumption among one section of the community may be set off against the decreased consumption among the rest of the community. It is quite obvious that no exact calculation is possible, but I do not think that the vast mass of the middle-class could submit to further restriction of the commodities they are accustomed to consume without imposing upon them a hardship which they would find intolerable.

Now, all these causes—diminished production, loss of external revenue, increased consumption among certain sections of the people—tend to reduce the surplus which the nation has to expend on the government of the country. For my part, I believe that an examination would show that a Budget of £1,000,000,000 is as much as the nation can possibly carry at the present time, and that even this figure would not leave sufficient margin for the increase of capital necessary for the reconstruction and development of our industries.

Let me remind you of this year's Budget estimates. On the present basis of taxation the revenue this year is estimated at £1,116,000,000. Some of the taxes, however, are not productive for the whole year. In a full year the revenue is estimated at \$1,238,000,000. The figures I am giving do not include anything for the sale of commodities, but are the figures of ordinary revenue.

Now if it be true, as I believe, that the nation cannot afford to pay in taxation more than £1,000,000,000, the conclusion to which I am driven is that we are being gravely over-taxed.

From the point of view of a banker it is not without interest to observe the effect of over-taxation. Manufacturers and traders, having paid to State by way of income-tax and excess profits tax so much more than they can properly afford, are compelled to rely more and more upon their bankers for assistance in making needful capital outlay if they are to maintain their businesses. What is the consequence? We all know that when banks lend, new deposits are created and purchasing power is increased. Thus we see in over-taxation a direct stimulus to an increase of credit, and therefore, as the money is needed for capital purposes, to an immediate rise in prices. Those who advocate high taxation forget that though they believe that they are going to reduce prices by taking the money from the people, it is, in fact, one of the causes of high prices. The only condition on which that would not be true is that manufacturers and traders were denied the necessary capital to continue their businesses.

If I am right in thinking that the trade of the the country is being overburdened by taxation, there is one tax which instantly springs to the front as our first choice for repeal. I refer to the Excess Profits Tax. The Excess Profits Tax, as anything more than a temporary war tax, is essentially bad. I believe I can claim, as its author, to know as much about it as anybody else, and I can assure you that in framing it I had no conception of its continuing beyond the period of the war. I frequently pledged myself, not merely to deputations who came to see me on the subject of the tax, but to the House of Commons, and I believe with the full concurrence of all my then colleagues, that the tax should not be continued in peace. I remember, indeed, I used myself to point out the overwhelming objections to the tax if it were made a regular part of our fiscal system as conclusive proof that the tax would be repealed when the war was over. Every day that elapses, the period upon which the standard income is determined becomes more remote, and consequently the tax operates more unjustly. The principle on which it was based, the machinery by which it was put into operation, were devised only for a war period. I cannot find a single defender of the tax, and I understand that the only ground on which it is continued is that no substitute can be found for it. I hope I have given you sufficient reasons for thinking that no substitute ought to be found. Indeed, I go further and say that the very fact that no alternative can be proposed to such an admittedly bad tax is proof positive that the nation has exhausted its taxable capacity.

Gentlemen, in addressing you in this manner I am speaking to you as a man of business. I have no thought of politics or economic theory in my mind. I am simply dealing with the plain hard facts of the moment. Our first duty at this time is to increase production. We must raise in taxation enough to pay our way. We must not borrow to meet Government expenditure or to pay interest on our debt. But we must so limit our expenditure as not to require heavier taxation than can be imposed without injury to the development of our production. Do not be put off by any inquiry as to which item of expenditure you individually would cut down. I am quite willing to assume for the sake of the argument that every purpose to which the money is devoted is good, and that every penny is spent on the most economical lines. It does not matter to the argument. I am considering this question from the point of view of what we can afford. I have no doubt that each item of expenditure can be defended on its own merits. The answer to any such inquiry must be: We have so much money and no more to spend. A selection must be made amongst these desirable objects; some must be cut off, some curtailed, some postponed. The nation

must act just as every one of us acts in our private capacity. Take the various items of useful, I might almost say indispensable, expenditure which every one of us has to confront—the best schools for our children, the most expensive doctors in sickness, the most desirable health resort for our holidays—all admirable objects, all purposes against which every one of us can find no argument. Yet, if we have not the money we all of us learn to deny ourselves this expenditure; and we even go so far as to call them luxuries when our neighbors who are better off are able to indulge in them. What is true for the individual is true for the nation. Keep your attention upon the immediate need of the nation to increase production. When you have accomplished that you will not need to increase taxation in order to meet the nation's requirements. On increased production the revenue will flow in of itself.

The proposition I have put before you is a very simple one; it is that a wise nation, like a wise individual, cuts its coat according to its cloth. It realizes that it has not an unlimited power of expenditure.

I wish I had time to speak of another matter. I should have liked to say something about the policy of dear money, but the subject is too large to open now, and I can say no more about it than this. I believe that the policy of dear money in present circumstances is a mistake. Its authors seek, rightly and properly, to prevent speculation and profiteering by the withholding of commodities from the market, and wish, as is their duty, to avert the social evils which flow from high and rising prices. On the other hand, dear money hinders production, shakes the confidence of the trader, depreciates Government credit, and throws an additional burden upon the nation for the debt charge. We must weigh the arguments for and against this policy. In my judgment the balance of the argument is against dear money. I doubt if the objects which the advocates of dear money have in view are really obtained by this policy, whereas I am very sure that the evils I have enumerated to you flow inevitably from it.

We see the terms "inflation" and "deflation," "floating debt" and "funded debt," bandied about as if inflation and floating debt were synonymous and funding debt and deflation were an identical process. There is a time for increasing credit when such an increase cannot be properly described as inflation. There is a time for decreasing credit when such decrease in a true sense is deflation. There is a time for funding the floating debt, and there is a time for leaving the floating debt to take care of itself. All these are matters to be dealt with, not according to preconceived notions and high and dry theories, but according to the circumstances of the moment and the trade conditions of the time, and it is quite possible that a brave and honest, but theoretic and impractical, financial policy may have a more harmful effect than the salutary neglect which would leave the price of money to find its own level.

This is a topic so large, and one which has to be handled with such care, that I could not venture to enter further into it upon an occasion like the present; but in this mere enunciation of general principles I am sure I shall have with me those who, in the daily struggle of their trade, find themselves hampered by dear conditions of money, and see not only their own trade, but the trade all over the country gradually contracting and lessening in consequence of this restriction of credit. There may come a time when it will be right to restrict credit. I am by no means a general advocate of cheap money upon all occasions—quite the contrary—but I do feel most certain that, so long as we have not brought production at least to our pre-war level, we ought to make it our care that we should do nothing by restricting credit which would render the development of production impossible.

BRITISH HOUSE OF COMMONS ENDORSES 60% EXCESS PROFITS TAX—WAR WEALTH TAX ABANDONED.

The rejection by the British House of Commons, by a vote of 289 to 117, of the proposal to continue the excess profits tax at 40%, was announced in press cablegrams from London July 12. The budget introduced in the House of Commons on April 19 last (referred to in the "Chronicle" of April 24, page 1692) called for the raising of the excess profits tax from 40% to 60%. The Chancellor of the Exchequer, in replying on the 12th instant to criticisms concerning the proposed new levy, declined to reduce the duty below the 60% provided for in the bill, but promised, it is said, that the duty would not exceed 40% next year. He is also said to have stated that there should be no more borrowing, but said that the nation should begin while it was prosperous to make an earnest endeavor to reduce the debt. The proposal to impose a tax on war wealth, to which we also referred in our issue of April 24 (pages 1692 and 1693) has been abandoned; at a special meeting of the British Cabinet on June 4, the decision was reached not to tax war fortunes, on the ground that such a tax, being in the nature of a levy on capital, would dislocate industry and cause unemployment. From the June number of the "Monthly Review" of the London City & Midland Bank, Ltd., we take the following regarding the abandonment of this tax plan:

In reply to a question by Mr. Clynes, the Chancellor of the Exchequer on June 7 stated, in the House of Commons, that "the Government, after full consideration of the Report of the Select Committee, and of the respective advantages and disadvantages of the suggested scheme for a levy on War Wealth, have come to the conclusion that the dangers attendant on such a levy altogether outweigh any advantages which could be derived from it, and they have decided not to make any proposals in that sense to the House."

This announcement greatly relieved the considerable tension which had existed in the business and financial community since the idea of a limited capital levy began to receive attention a few months ago. It cannot be said to have come as a surprise, however, in view of the formidable and reasoned opposition given to the proposed scheme by leading representatives of industry and finance.

The attitude of the Government was not permitted to pass unchallenged, and on June 8 a resolution was moved by Mr. Clynes on behalf of the Labor Party regretting the decision not to impose special taxation upon fortunes made as a result of the national emergency and declaring that in order to meet the country's financial burdens and assist in liquidating the National Debt, further measures should be adopted for raising revenue from accumulated wealth. Speaking to his resolution, Mr. Clynes claimed that the adoption of the scheme would bring financial relief as well as have

a moral and psychological effect upon the great mass of people, who resent the fact that a certain proportion of the nation was able to accumulate wealth as a result of the war. He pointed to the floating debt, to the continued high prices, the disturbed exchanges, the low purchasing power of money and high wages, as well as to the heavy burden of taxation, and argued that, failing recourse to the suggested levy or some similar scheme of extraordinary taxation, the Chancellor would be driven more and more towards the drastic expedient of a general capital levy.

Mr. Chamberlain, in reply, pointed out that, far from being a simple issue, a War Wealth tax was a most complicated and difficult proposition. His position had been one of entire neutrality, neither opposing nor advocating the tax, even dwelling upon its advantages in order to get for it a fair consideration of its merits. He had come to the conclusion that the fiscal merits of the levy were less than even he could have anticipated. The Committee had found that the 1,000 millions originally estimated to accrue from the suggested tax could not be obtained without disastrous inequity and injustice. The scheme which the Committee had finally submitted was estimated to yield 500 millions, and was hedged about with conditions, one of which was that war securities should be accepted in payment of the duty at not less than the issue price. The Committee had neither recommended nor approved the tax, and had left the question to be settled by the Government and the House of Commons. They had shown that no line could be drawn between those who made money out of the war and those who increased their wealth during the war but not out of the war, and that no distinction was possible between increased wealth due to increased earnings and increased wealth due to rigid economy and patriotic saving. The Chancellor referred to the repealed land tax and instanced the similar difficulty in the present case in arriving at a just valuation. To get a provisional valuation would take a year, and during the following two years it might be possible to collect 350 millions of the estimated 500 millions, while the remaining 150 millions would have to be spread in installments over a period of perhaps 10 years in order to avoid financial disaster to particular individuals who could not meet the capital obligation in a shorter time. The provision as to the method of payment meant that war issues would be tenderable at the price of issue, and that the greater part of the tax would be received not in cash but in Government securities. Although it would go to the reduction of debt it would not go to the reduction of the floating debt, the extent of which had been urged as the chief reason for the early adoption of the proposed scheme. Mr. Chamberlain pointed out that at the present rate of profits the Excess Profits Duty would yield in the course of three years twice as much as the 350 millions mentioned, so that actually the Exchequer would be a loser by the exchange of taxes. In this connection he asked the House to observe that in the main the two taxes fell upon the same classes and largely upon the same individuals.

Mr. Chamberlain referred to the very real fears of the proposed tax entertained by leading men in banking, commerce, finance and industry, and to the instability of the world of finance and commerce as seen at home and abroad, particularly in Japan, whose difficulties had been felt in America and in this country. He pointed to the check in industrial prosperity at home noticeable since the war ended, and to the fact that more capital was needed to conduct the same trade to-day than was the case before the war. Traders had stretched their credit to the uttermost, bankers had lent as much as they ought to lend, and he claimed that in these circumstances one false step producing one serious bankruptcy might bring a whole train of evils in its wake. What the business community feared was the precipitation of a disturbance. The present time was most inopportune for the withdrawal of capital from business when what business needed more than anything else was additional capital. In this connection Mr. Chamberlain referred to a conversation he had recently had with Sir Josiah G. Stamp, who had stated that if he were going before the Committee again he would modify his evidence in two particulars. That gentleman now saw that the tax would be less effective as a remedy for the floating debt than he had previously supposed, and that the alarm among all concerned in industry and finance was infinitely greater than he had expected.

A further difficulty of the proposed tax would be that in many cases it would be levied on values which had already partly fallen off or on capital which, although made during the war, had since been lost. There was the very real difficulty of individual uncertainty in which every business man would be involved for one year as a minimum and possibly for two years before the final assessment could be made, during which period he would not know what proportion of his capital was nominally his own and what was really his own. He would find his own uncertainty reflected in his dealings with banks and other institutions to whom he might be applying for credit and who would naturally wish to know the amount of the security against which they were lending.

In conclusion Mr. Chamberlain compared taxation in this country with that of other countries, and stated that no country had made an effort comparable with ours. We had seen an appreciable recovery in the dollar exchange; we had already bought more than half our share of the Anglo-French Loan, and we had in New York, in sight or on the way, sufficient to cover the remainder of our half of the Loan. Beyond this we had enough to meet all other market obligations of the Treasury in the United States up to the end of 1920, and to leave a satisfactory margin over. In substance we had paid off 50 million dollars or one-half of our debt to Argentina, and had made arrangements for the redemption of the remainder in the course of the next two or three years, while, in the course of a month or so, we should pay back a loan of 20 million yen contracted in Japan.

Turning to the internal debt, the Chancellor instanced the provision of 230 millions for reduction of debt this year, and the intention to apply a further 300 millions next year to the reduction of debt without additional taxation. In regard to the floating debt, since the proposed limited levy could not be safely raised, a general capital levy would be even more dangerous, even if it were camouflaged under the name of a forced loan or as a surcharge on income at a rate which nobody could afford to pay out of income and which would have to be paid out of capital resources.

F. R. SHORTIS SAYS GREAT BRITAIN HAS SURPLUS SUFFICIENT TO REDEEM DEBTS.

F. R. Shortis, who was recently appointed a Vice-President of the Guaranty Trust Company of New York, and who has just arrived from England, said in a statement made public July 12 that "the financial position of Great Britain is decidedly favorable",—that "it is gratifying to know that she is not only balancing her budget in a satisfactory manner, but has moreover, a considerable surplus in hand which should provide a sinking fund sufficient to redeem the entire outstanding debt within a reasonable time." Mr. Shortis for many years was in charge of the foreign business of Kleinwort, Sons & Company, merchant bankers of London,

and subsequently became manager of the firm. He resigned that position last year to become Financial Adviser to the International Rhineland High Commission, from which post he recently obtained a release. His financial condition of Great Britain follows in part:

I think there is an impression in less well informed quarters of the United States that it is unnecessary to discriminate in regard to the respective economic positions of the Allies. It is probably felt in some directions that the war has left them all in such a state of financial paralysis from which it will take them long years to recover, that the question of degree is immaterial. While this feeling may accurately represent the situation in regard to certain countries, it is certainly not correct in regard to Great Britain. It is true that she has spent in connection with the war from the first of August, 1914, to the first of May, 1920, the vast sum of £11,000,000,000, or at par of exchange, \$53,460,000,000, but it should be remembered as a point of extreme importance, that of this stupendous amount, more than £4,000,000,000, (\$19,440,000,000), that is to say, more than one-third of the total, has been raised during the war by revenue, leaving a balance outstanding of approximately £7,000,000,000 (\$34,020,000,000). The latter figure includes advances to the Allies, as well as to the British Dominions, of approximately £1,850,000,000, (\$8,991,000,000). It is difficult to state what amount of the latter sum will eventually be recovered, but by assessing it for the purpose at £1,000,000,000, (\$4,860,000,000), there would remain an amount outstanding in connection with the war of £6,000,000,000, (\$29,160,000,000), or only one and a half the amount that has already been raised in revenue during the last four years.

It is possible that the revenue raised during the last four years may exceed the amount which is possible by means of equivalent taxation in the future, but at the same time, there should be a very drastic reduction in Government expenditure to compensate for any loss of revenue raised thereby. There is at present a vast army of Government clerks and officials which will in due course be dispensed with, although Government action will, as usual be very slow.

Considering the extent of her expenditure on the war, the financial position of Great Britain is decidedly favorable. It is gratifying to know that she is not only balancing her budget in a satisfactory manner, but has moreover, a considerable surplus in hand which should provide a sinking fund sufficient to redeem the entire outstanding debt within a reasonable time.

Considerable pressure is being put on the Government to exercise drastic control over the spending departments, so that the dual result of economy and taxation will place the country upon a sound economic basis.

The big joint stock banks with a view to bring about some deflation in credit have been exercising discrimination regarding loans, and have declined all applications based upon stock exchange securities, or commodities of a non-essential description. They are, unfortunately, compelled to carry a large amount of the floating debt of the Government in the form of Treasury Bills, on account of a disinclination of the investing public to purchase the Treasury Bonds which the Government hoped to sell for the funding of this debt. The banks, therefore, are unfortunately not in a position to give the assistance to trade that they would otherwise have been willing to do, and moreover, dear money has had the effect of deprecating the very securities which the Government desires to sell for the purpose of relieving the situation.

Taking the situation in general, the position of Great Britain cannot be regarded as unfavorable, although the fact that sterling expressed in United States currency shows a depreciation of more than 20% may be taken as an indication that the credit of Great Britain is severely impaired. But people who are well acquainted with the actual economic position, and the reasons for the present level of exchange, are, of course, aware of the cause. It is not that Great Britain is not prepared to pay its debt to the United States, for it possesses plenty of assets, but it does not, unfortunately, possess any tangible assets which can be removed from Great Britain to the United States. It is, therefore, necessary to wait until such time as she can export or render service in sufficient quantities to produce a trade balance in her favor.

It should not be overlooked that the balance of trade between Europe and certain other countries, notably the United States and Argentina, is decidedly unbalanced in favor of the latter countries. It is not in the interest of these countries that it should remain so permanent'y, or even for a protracted period, because the purchasing power of Europe in those countries is going to be curtailed by such a condition of affairs.

The war has made the United States so great a creditor country to Europe that she must now give her debtors an opportunity to pay her by the only means possible to them. This can be achieved only by exporting goods and rendering services. For this purpose, it is not necessary for Europe to export to the United States alone, but she must export to all other countries, and in particular, countries that the United States purchases from. For instance, by means of European countries exporting to the East in excess of her imports from the East, and at the same time by an excess of American imports from the East over her exports in the same direction, the balance of indebtedness by Europe to the United States could eventually be liquidated.

For the purpose of adjusting the trade balance, it does not matter whether Great Britain, Germany, France, and Italy export in larger quantities one than the other, as the balance of trade of the latter countries all favor Great Britain, and these exports will relatively at the same time, not only adjust the trade balance between Great Britain and the United States, but they will bring about an adjustment between those countries and Great Britain.

RETURN OF AMERICAN DOLLAR SECURITIES.

Announcement has been made that the British Treasury will return on Oct. 1 additional American dollar securities deposited under the arrangements for supporting exchange during the war. In these columns April 3, page 1362, and April 10, page 1477, we referred to the announcement that the British Treasury would begin the purchase of dollar securities on April 12, in furtherance of the repayment of the Anglo-French loan. The list of securities which are to be returned Oct. 1 was announced as follows in the London "Gazette" of June 29.

REGULATION OF FOREIGN EXCHANGES.

Loan of Securities to the Treasury (Scheme B.)

The National Debt Commissioners give notice that the Treasury has decided to exercise the option, under Clause 3 of Scheme B, of returning the Canadian Pacific Ry. preference stock on Oct. 1 1920, from which date the additional allowance will cease.

A similar intimation is given respecting the following securities:

American Agricultural Chemical Co. 1st Mtge. Conv. S. F. 5%, 1928.
 Ann Arbor Ry. 1st Mtge. 4%, 1935.
 Boston & Maine RR. Co. 20-Year P'ain Refunding 4½%, 1929.
 Burlington Cedar Rapids & Northern Ry. Iowa Minnesota and Dakota Division 1st Mtge. 5%, 1934.
 Central Leather Co. 1st Lien gold 5%, 1925.
 Central Pacific Ry. (Through Short Line) 1st Mtge. Guar. 4%, 1954.
 Chesapeake & Ohio Ry. Conv. 5%, 1946.
 Chicago & Eastern Illinois RR. 1st Cons. 6%, bonds, 1934.
 Chicago & North-Western Ry. S. F. 5%, 1929.
 Chicago Junction Rys. & Union Stock Yards Co. Mtge. and Coll. Trust Refunding 5%, 1940.
 Chicago Junction Rys. & Union Stock Yards Co. Mtge. and Coll. Trust Refunding 4%, 1940.
 City of Spokane Refunding 4½%, Series "B." 1931.
 Cleveland Lorain & Wheeling Ry. 1st Cons. Mtge. 5%, 1933.
 Cleveland Short Line Ry. Guaranteed 1st Mtge. 4½%, 1961.
 Columbus Railway Co. 1st Cons. Mtge. 4%, 1939.
 Duluth & Iron Range RR. 1st Mtge. 5%, 1937.
 Erie RR. Conv. 4% gold bonds, series "D," 1953.
 Fremont Elkhorn & Missouri Valley Ry. Cons. Mtge. 6%, 1933.
 Galveston-Houston Electric Ry. 1st Mtge. 5%, 1954.
 Illinois Central RR. 1st Mtge. Extended 1903, 3½%, due April 1951.
 Illinois Steel Co. Debentures, 4½%, 1940.
 Kanawha & Michigan Ry. 1st Mtge. 4%, 1990.
 Kansas City, Missouri, & Gas Co. 1st Mtge. S. F. 5%, 1922.
 Kansas City Southern Ry. 1st Mtge. 3%, 1950.
 Kings County Electric Light & Power Co. 1st Mtge. 5%, 1937.
 Kings County Electric Light & Power Co. Pur. Mon. Mtge. 6%, 1997.
 Lackawanna Steel 1st Mtge. Convertible 5%, 1923.
 Lehigh Valley Terminal Ry. 1st Mtge. Guar. 5%, 1941.
 Liggett & Myers Tobacco Co. 7% Debentures, 1944.
 Lorillard (P.) Co. 7% Debentures, 1944.
 Marquette Houghton & Ontonagon RR. General Mtge. 6%, 1925.
 Minneapolis & St. Louis RR. Pacific Ext. 1st Mtge. 6s, 1921.
 Mobile & Ohio RR. 1st Exten. Mtge. 6%, 1927.
 Monongahela River Consolidated Coal & Coke Co. 1st Mtge. 6%, 1949.
 Nashville Chattanooga & St. Louis Ry. 1st Cons. Mtge. 5%, 1928.
 Newark Gas Co. 1st Mtge. 6%, 1941.
 New York Brook'yn & Manhattan Beach Ry. 1st Cons. Mtge. 5%, 1935.
 Niagara Falls Power Co. Ref. and Gen. Mtge. 6% gold, 1932.
 Norfolk & Western Ry. New River RR. Division 1st Mtge. 6%, 1932.
 Oklahoma Gas & Electric Co. 1st Mtge. 5%, 1929.
 People's Gas Light & Coke Co. of Chicago 1st Consol. Mtge. 6%, 1943.
 Perkiomen RR. Co. 1st Mtge. 5%, 1938, 2d Series.
 Petersburg Railroad Co. Consolidated Mtge. 2d Lien 6%, Class B, 1926.
 Pittsburgh Cleveland & Toledo Ry. 1st Mtge. 6%, 1922.
 Reading Co. Jersey Central Coll. Trust 4%, 1951.
 Richmond & Danville RR. Deb. 5%, 1927.
 Rome Watertown & Ogdensburg RR. 1st Cons. Mtge. 5%, 1922.
 St. Louis Iron Mountain Southern RR. Gen. Cons. Railway and Land Grant Mtge. 5%, 1931.
 St. Louis Merchants' Bridge Term. Ry. 1st Mtge. 5% gold bonds, 1930 (guaranteed by Terminal RR. Assn. of St. Louis).
 Southern Pacific RR., Southern Pacific Branch Ry. 6%, 1937.
 Terre Haute Indianapolis & Eastern Traction Co. 1st and Ref. Sinking Fund bonds, 5%, 1915.
 Toledo & Ohio Central Ry. Western Division 1st Mtge. 5%, 1935.
 Vicksburg & Meridian RR. 1st Mtge. 6%, 1921.
 Western New York & Pennsylvania Gen. Mtge. gold 4%, 1943.

BRITISH INDIES REMOVAL OF RESTRICTIONS ON GOLD IMPORTS.

In our issue of July 3, page 21, we referred to the announcement at Washington on June 25 to the effect that advices had been received at London that the Government of British India had "announced that from June 21 1920, all restrictions on the importation of gold bullion and foreign coin are removed, and that until July 12, the ratio will be 15 rupees to the pound." Also that "after July 12 all restrictions on the importation of British gold coin will be removed, but such coin will cease to be legal tender, pending new legislation on the subject." On July 7 it was stated at Washington that the British Ambassador had received a communication reporting that Indian exchange conditions had compelled the Government of India to reconsider the existing restrictions on the import of gold into India, and that the present control over such imports would be at once withdrawn. The statement was further reported as saying:

Free gold movements to and from India was an integral part of the policy recommended by the recent authoritative committee on Indian currency, but owing to the high premium on gold imports into India at the beginning of February, when the report was issued, it was decided to postpone the removal of restrictions until experience had been gained of the effect on Indian price of gold of the sales of gold in India which the Government of India then decided to make.

With the recent fall in the Indian exchange and also in rupees, the price of gold in India as a result of the sales above referred to, it has now become essential forthwith to take the steps recommended by the currency committee. The same causes which make these steps necessary now will tend to make improbable any such drain on the world's gold as was feared in February.

The action proposed will also be helpful to the Government of India as enabling them to diminish or discontinue their own purchase of gold in London or in the United States.

We also quote the following with reference to the same matter from the weekly circular of Samuel Montague & Co. of London, under date of June 24:

The anomalous condition to which the adverse trade balance of India has brought its exchange inspired an announcement by the Government of India on the 21st inst. that the prohibition against private imports of gold bullion and foreign coin was forthwith removed, and that after 21 days' interval that against British gold coin was to be cancelled. The object of the delay in the case of the latter was to correspond with an ordinance of the Governor-General promulgated on the same date enacting that British gold coin should no longer be legal tender in India, but that any

person could, within 21 days of the date of the ordinance, demand currency notes at an office of a circle of issue in exchange for the tender of British gold coin at the rate of 15 rupees to the sovereign. It is officially announced that a bill will be submitted at the forthcoming session of the Indian legislative Council to make the sovereign legal tender in India for 10 rupees. This would fix the minimum but not the maximum rupee value of the sovereign, for, so long as no legal restriction is made as to the coin being melted down and used as material for jewelers, &c., such coin is likely to change hands at a premium varying with the market price of gold bullion.

The natives of India, however, will not be assured of an influx of sovereigns at ten rupees the sovereign, for gold sovereigns (or bullion) will only be imported into India at a figure based more or less upon the London market price of gold plus cost of transmission to India. Thus gold remittances will cost 2s. the rupee (one-tenth of a sovereign) plus the gold premium on the currency pound and expenses of transmission. The India Council propose to reduce the rates for Reverse Councils to 1s. 11 19-32d. for immediates and 1s. 11 11-16d. for deferreds, so that, when the gold premium in the currency pound disappears, it is likely that the exchange will be stabilized in the neighborhood of 2s. The lower official appreciation of the sovereign will probably encourage the natives of India to amass and hoard gold in preference to silver, for they will feel confident that any fresh change in the relative value of the two metals arising from fresh official currency regulations can hardly be in any other direction than to enhance the rupee value of the more precious metal.

In the returns of Indian exports and imports of gold the total exports of gold bullion for March last were 1,619,277 ounces, but those for the preceding 8 months were only 1,335,235. The total for the nine months, 3,954,512 ounces (worth at Bank of England price about £16,800,000, or at the then current rate, say, £6 the ounce, about £23,725,000), was imported to carry out the policy of the Indian Government, which aimed at reducing the premium on gold in India by making sales to the Indian Bazaars against tenders.

INDIAN GOVERNMENT ABANDONS ATTEMPT TO MAINTAIN NEW MONETARY SYSTEM.

The change in the Indian Government's monetary system made with a view to exercising control over rupee exchange, and the apparent failure of its efforts in that direction, is dealt with in the following which appeared in the New York "Evening Post" of July 3:

On Jan. 29 last the Indian Government, in order to subject its internal circulation and rupee exchange to some measure of control, made a fundamental change in India's monetary system. The "gold exchange standard," which had been in effect since the closing decade of the last century, was abolished and in its place was substituted the simple gold standard. At the same time the conversion rate between the British sovereign and the rupee was altered from 15 rupees to 10 rupees per sovereign. This raised the value of the Indian unit from 16 pence to 2 gold shillings.

In taking this action the Indian Government merely followed out the recommendations of the British Government Commission which had previously investigated and reported on Indian monetary conditions, particularly with reference to the exchange situation. But bankers interested in Indian exchange and finance had been taken aback by the report. They felt that the scheme was entirely too ambitious and was at best merely an experiment in currency regulation, the success of which was doubtful from the very outset. That they had full warrant for their misgivings is borne out by the signal failure of the scheme.

During the war the Indian Government was confronted with a serious currency problem. India was then experiencing a great wave of prosperity, and being a heavy exporter of raw materials, all of which were considerably enhanced in value as the result of the rise in prices, she enjoyed a tremendous favorable balance of trade. As a consequence of this large demands for currency were made on the Indian Government by the population.

Although India has a paper circulation, the notes have never been particularly well regarded by the natives, who prefer to have their money in silver. Accordingly, when the heavy demand for money appeared during the war, the Indian Government was compelled to purchase silver in huge quantities, and after it had exhausted all available supplies the United States Government was appealed to, which responded by placing at India's disposal \$350,000,000 in silver dollars. Of this amount the British dependency eventually took the equivalent of 208,000,000 ounces.

To this continued Indian absorption of the white metal was added a heavy demand from China, and the drain from these two quarters forced the price up to a point where it was profitable to melt the silver rupees. The Indian Government now found the intrinsic value of the silver coin far above its nominal value of 16 pence, and it was compelled from time to time to mark up Indian exchange on London, until in January of this year the rate stood at 2 shillings and 4 pence, or 8 pence above the normal level. At the same time it placed restrictions on the private importation of both precious metals.

It was for the purpose of meeting this situation that the Indian authorities decided upon the abandonment of the "gold exchange standard." In placing the country on a straight gold basis, with ten rupees equal to one sovereign, they made the gold value of the rupee two shillings and the mint par with New York 48.66 cents per rupee, as against the old par of 32.44 cents. It was their idea that inasmuch as India and the United States were on a gold basis, American exchange would be fixed in the neighborhood of this new par, and that sterling in India would in consequence vary with the sterling rate in New York and show an equal depreciation. The object of the change was to divorce the rupee from the depreciated pound sterling, with which it had been tied by the gold exchange standard, and to place it on an independent gold basis.

Bankers' conversant with Indian financial affairs pronounced the scheme as theoretically excellent, but they pointed out that maintaining the three exchanges in the relation indicated above was dependent very largely on continued heavy exports from India and the ability of the Indian Government to sell freely and almost without limit its "reverse council bills," or exchange on London against the credits and the proceeds from the sale of the securities it carried in the British centre, which formerly served as a reserve for the maintenance of the gold exchange standard.

The commission which sat on the Indian currency question was originally supposed to submit its report last September, and had its recommendations been made and put into effect at that time, when the export season was at its height and exchange rates were very firm, it is believed that the innovation would have met with a reasonable measure of success. But coming as it did in January, when Indian exports already began to show signs of slackening, it threw the burden of maintaining the new standard upon the Indian Government, and when the favorable balance disappeared the task was more than the Government could cope with.

At the outset of the monetary change the Indian banks sent into the Indian Government large weekly applications for "reverse bills," or exchange on London, and as early as the second week in February these applications amounted to £41,000,000. By Feb. 23 their amount rose to £122,000,000. For some time thereafter they ran anywhere from £100,000,000 to £150,000,000 a week, and in the beginning of May tenders were still being put in weekly to the extent of between £50,000,000 to £60,000,000. But the Indian Government was able to satisfy only an absurdly small proportion of this demand. It began in January by making weekly allotments of £5,000,000, but toward the end of February even this amount was reduced to £2,000,000.

In the face of such tremendous pressure for remittance to London and the grossly inadequate supply, the sterling exchange rate in India was bound to rise above the corresponding level for sterling in New York. In its efforts to control the rate the Indian Government sold its holdings of British Government and other securities in London to replenish its sterling balances, but with little avail. Eventually a halt had to be called on these sales, because they were having a serious effect on security prices generally in the London market. The Indian Government was thus virtually deprived of all means of keeping the exchange rate in check, and the result has been a rise in sterling above the new par of 2 shillings. In the meantime rupee exchange in New York has fallen to 37½ cents, as against the new par of 48.66 cents.

That there is little prospect of any amelioration in this situation is indicated by recent advices received from India, which report a weak monsoon. Poor rains will mean poor crops and a correspondingly dull export season. Under the circumstances, then, Indian exchange in this centre, bankers say, is likely to continue weak.

The Indian Government has apparently taken cognizance of the facts in the situation, and according to a recent announcement from London it has decided to abandon its attempt to maintain the new monetary regime and to revert to the old basis of 15 rupees to the sovereign. Its endeavor to raise the Indian rupee to one-tenth of the sovereign is likened by some bankers to an attempt on the part of the British Government to peg sterling in New York at \$7, when the pound went to that level at the beginning of the war. It is asserted that the British Government would have fared better than the Indian Government has with its ten-to-one venture.

KINGDOM OF BELGIUM \$25,000,000 EXTERNAL GOLD LOAN LISTED ON N. Y. STOCK EXCHANGE.

Some facts regarding the \$25,000,000 Kingdom of Belgium external gold loan in one year and 5 year 6% notes, not heretofore made public are contained in the circular of the New York Stock Exchange announcing the admission to the list of these notes on July 7. The offering of these notes by a syndicate headed by J. P. Morgan & Co. and the Guaranty Trust Company was referred to in these columns Jan. 17, page 293, and Jan. 24, page 305. In the "Chronicle" of July 3, page 21 we noted that the banking houses heading the syndicate were prepared to deliver the one-year and five-year 6% notes in definitive form in exchange for the trust receipts outstanding. The amounts of the respective notes put out were according to the application to list, \$6,400,000 one-year notes due Jan. 1 1921, Nos. 1 to 6,400, inclusive for \$1,000 each, and \$18,600,000 five-year notes due Jan. 1 1925, Nos. 1 to 18,600 inclusive, for \$1,000 each, all issued and outstanding. The circular quotes further, as follows, the statement made on behalf of the Belgian Government by C. Symon, Belgian Charge d'Affaires in his application for the listing of the notes:

The notes were authorized by the Belgian Law of March 16 1919, entitled "A Law Authorizing the Government to Float Loans in Belgium and Abroad." The Notes were dated Jan. 1 1920, the one-year notes maturing on Jan. 1 1921, and the five year notes on Jan. 1 1925. Interest on the notes is payable at the rate of 6% per annum, semi-annual'y on Jan. 1 and July 1. Both principal and interest are payable in New York, in United States gold coin of the present standard of weight and fineness, either at the office of J. P. Morgan & Co., or of Guaranty Trust Company of New York, Fiscal Agents of the Belgian Government, without deduction for any Belgian taxes, present or future.

The notes are in coupon form only, in denomination of \$1,000 with no privilege of registration. They bear the signature of M. Rombouts, Administrateur Directeur General de la Tresorie et de la Dette Publique.

On the reverse of each bond is set forth as follows, Article III of a certain contract dated Jan. 2 1920, entered into by the Kingdom of Belgium (referred to in the contract as the Obligor), and others:

The Chambers have adopted and we sanction that which follows:

ARTICLE I.

"As regards loans issued in foreign countries, in accordance with the law of March 16 1919, the exemptions from duties and taxes of the interest coupons, provided in Article IV of the aforesaid law, apply to all interest, and are extended to include the capital of these loans.

ARTICLE II.

"The Government is authorized, as far as concerns these same loans, to stipulate that it will eventually enjoy, in due proportion, the advantages, privileges and guarantees of no matter what sort, which may be attached, particularly to any future loan issued by public subscription. We promulgate the present law; we order that it be officially stamped with the State seal, and be published in the "Moniteur."

ARTICLE III.

"The obligor further covenants, for the benefit of the holders, severally and respectively, of the Notes, as follows:

At any time until and including Jan. 3 1921, the holder of any of the One-Year Notes and, at any time until and including Jan. 2 1925, the holder of any of the Five-Year Notes may surrender one or more such Notes in the City of New York to the said J. L. Morgan & Co., or the said Guaranty Trust Company of New York, as Fiscal Agents of the Obligor, with a writing (in form provided by such Fiscal Agents) signed by such noteholder requesting that pursuant to the terms of this contract either of said Fiscal Agents, as such, shall draw on the Banque Nationale de Belgique at Brussels, Belgium, a sight draft or cable transfer for the payment to the order of a payee therein named by such Fiscal Agents, at the said Banque Nationale, of an amount in Belgian francs which computed at the fixed exchange rate

of eleven francs to the dollar will equal the principal amount of the Note or Notes surrendered, i. e., at the rate of eleven thousand francs per one thousand dollars, and further requesting that such Fiscal Agents shall endeavor to sell such sight draft or cable transfer in the United States of America at not less than such rate of exchange as may be specified by the noteholder in such request, but at not less favorable rate than the said fixed exchange rate of eleven thousand francs per one thousand dollars. The Obligor hereby irrevocably authorizes the said Fiscal Agents, as such, to draw such sight draft or cable transfer and to make sale thereof pursuant to such request. In case such sight draft or cable transfer shall be sold as aforesaid, the proceeds thereof, to an amount not exceeding the principal amount of the surrendered Note or Notes, shall be applied to the payment and satisfaction thereof, and the remainder of such proceeds, if any, shall be divided in two equal parts, of which one equal part shall be retained by the Fiscal Agents for account of the Obligor and the remaining equal part (less the selling commission hereinbelow specified) shall be paid over to the noteholder. In addition to such payments, the Obligor will pay to the said noteholder the amount of interest which shall have accrued upon the surrendered Note or Notes at the time of the sale of such sight draft or cable transfer, and hereby authorizes the Fiscal Agents out of any moneys of the Obligor at the time in their hands to make such payment of accrued interest in gold coin of the United States of America.

Upon the sale of a sight draft or cable transfer as hereinabove provided, the noteholder, shall pay or reimburse to the Fiscal Agents the commission charged therefor, such commission not to exceed one-quarter per cent. of the principal amount of the Note or Notes surrendered.

The Fiscal Agents are empowered to make and announce reasonable rules and regulations to govern the transactions in this Article III authorized, including the specification of the locality and the hours within which Notes and requests will be accepted as herein provided. The Fiscal Agents shall not be under any duty to receive any Note or request as aforesaid on any Sunday or on any legal holiday, nor during any hours except such as are specified in such rules and regulations announced by them, or to make any sale which shall realize less than the principal amount of the Note or Notes surrendered, and each noteholder availing of the provisions of this Article III hereby agrees that the transactions entered into between himself and the said Fiscal Agents or either of them shall be subject to the said rules and regulations."

Article IV of said contract recites:

"The Banque Nationale de Belgique irrevocably covenants as follows for the benefit of the holders of sight drafts or cable transfers drawn or issued and sold by the Bankers or either of them as Fiscal Agents pursuant to the provisions of Article III of this contract: that it will unconditionally honor, accept and pay such sight drafts or cable transfers to an aggregate not exceeding two hundred seventy-five million Belgian francs, according to their terms upon presentation or receipt thereof."

The Belgian Government further agrees that if in the future it shall offer for public subscription any loan secured by a lien on any specific revenue or asset of the Government, this present loan shall be secured ratably with such loan.

JAPANESE PREMIER ON MISSION OF T. W. LAMONT —CONSORTIUM AND RESERVATIONS— MR. LAMONT'S REPLY.

An article in which the Japanese Prime Minister, Takashi Hara, comments on the mission of T. W. Lamont to the Far East in the interest of the Chinese Consortium, and the satisfactory settlement of the Japanese issue involved, appeared in the New York "Times" of July 11. A statement therein by the Premier which might imply that Japan is becoming a party to the Consortium had insisted upon its reservations with regard to Manchuria and Mongolia, has brought from Mr. Lamont a statement to the effect that these reservations were withdrawn by Japan with the signing of the agreement. Mr. Lamont's statement is contained in the following letter which he has addressed to the Editor of the "Times:"

To the Editor of the "New York Times:"

I have read with great interest the message to the American people sent by Premier Hara of Japan through your special correspondent at Tokio, John Foord. I am sure that all good Americans will welcome Premier Hara's greetings and will return his good wishes.

The Premier was good enough to comment in regard to my recent visit to Japan and my negotiations there with the members of the Japanese banking group and of the Government. Premier Hara, however, must have been misquoted when he is apparently made to say, in regard to the consortium, that Japan adhered to her reservations as to Manchuria and Mongolia. Quite the contrary is the case. My visit to Japan on behalf of the American, British and French banking groups was made in order to find out whether or not the Japanese banking group, with the approval of its Government, intended to come into the consortium for China on the same terms as the Western banking groups. As a result of all our discussions, banking, governmental and otherwise, the Japanese banking group, with the explicit approval of its Government, withdrew the original letter which had set up the reservations as to Manchuria and Mongolia, and announced its entry into the consortium on the same basis as the other groups.

Japan showed, in my judgment, great wisdom and courage in withdrawing her reservations, because, as Premier Hara points out, in Japan there has always been a great sentiment as to the blood and treasure which her people spent in Manchuria. The whole question, however, of Japan's entry into the consortium on the same terms as the other groups is of such importance that I write this in order to correct the inaccuracy as it appeared in your valued columns.

THOMAS W. LAMONT.

New York, July 13 1920.

The following is the special "Times" article by Mr. John Foord, which prompted the above letter, this article, although coming from Tokio under date of June 16, having appeared in the "Times" of July 11.

"I desire to transmit through "The New York Times" a message from you to the American people. The diplomatic sky is serene, and after the series of assurances of amity and good-will which the Imperial Government and the Japanese people have had from representative bankers, merchants and college professors from our country it seems fitting that from the eminence of your official position there should come an answering word of sympathy and approval."

It was in these terms that your representative addressed His Excellency, Takashi Hara, Prime Minister of the Imperial Cabinet of Japan, in an audience granted at the Premier's official residence, Nagatacho Nichome, Tokio.

With an engaging smile he replied: "I will gladly grant your request.

"It is needless to repeat that the foreign relations of Japan in the modern sense began with the United States, and therefore America is our oldest friend. Since the beginning the relations between the two countries have been of the most amicable and courteous character. It would be too much to say that no difference of views and opinions has ever occurred between the two nations in the past. But such differences are not confined to American-Japanese relations. No two nations, however friendly, can avoid the occasional appearance of some unpleasantness. But in our case it has never been allowed to assume a serious or strained character before being settled in a friendly, confiding and compromising spirit. That must surely be considered to be a great thing. I firmly believe that the present good relations will not only be maintained but will be further strengthened.

"But if we turn our attention from diplomatic relations to individual opinion and criticism, we shall find that there are many causes of difference based on misunderstandings and hasty generalizations. For the correction of these there is much that ought to be done by the people of both countries, and I frankly admit that in providing material for criticism the Japanese people cannot be held free from blame. I think we are all agreed about the extreme desirability of having any exciting causes of bad feeling neutralized. There is nothing in international affairs less conducive to satisfactory relations than misunderstanding of each other by people who ought to be friends, than injurious preconceptions which are born of ignorance and prejudice. I shall certainly do my part toward the removal of this kind of misunderstanding whenever and wherever opportunity offers."

"I am sure that all fair-minded Americans are prepared to meet your Excellency half way in that endeavor," I interposed. "But, as you know specific details are always more interesting than the statement of general principles, may I beg for an outline of the impressions left on you and your colleagues by the mission of Mr. Lamont?"

"Willingly," replied the Premier. "It was a fortunate thing for China, America and Japan, and indeed for all the countries concerned, that the question of the consortium should have been taken in hand by a man of the influential position and ripe experience of Mr. Lamont, and should have been so successfully and ably handled by him. I had two or three interviews with Mr. Lamont. At first my impression was that he seemed to have certain misgivings as to our position in the matter, and I tried my best to explain to him the whole situation. I am glad to say that by the time he left Japan any doubts he might have had seemed to have been cleared away.

"Now, with the satisfactory settlement of that question, there is a good prospect that China's finance, and indeed, the whole administration of that republic, may be placed on so sound a basis as greatly to benefit the commercial and industrial interests of all the countries concerned in the prosperity of that great nation. I am sorry, however, to have to say in this connection that some Chinese publicists or a section of the public press in that country did not, at first, view our mode of solution with much favor. They seemed rather to wish the Powers split up and divided so that their conflicting policies might be utilized to a temporary advantage. This reminds me of the diplomacy in the old days.

"As to the reservations made on our side in regard to Manchuria and Mongolia, it must be remembered that in the Japanese mind these two regions have certain historical associations. China and Japan are close neighbors—so close that parts of their respective territories touch each other. That fact has naturally created a situation peculiar to Japan, or what may be called an interest of a special kind which cannot be regarded by Japan in precisely the same light as by the other Powers more remotely situated, and whose interest is therefore of an indirect character.

"In other words, something vital to us as a nation is involved in the matter. As you suggest, this is not a new phase of Japanese policy, since it was expressly recognized in the Ishii-Lansing agreement. Still, in the first steps taken toward a solution of the question, there were some clouds looming over the horizon which have since passed away. America, France and Great Britain now fully appreciate our situation and are in perfect accord with us.

The peace and tranquility of China are a matter of very great importance to all the great Powers of the world, but to us they are far more important than to any other Power. That they can be established and maintained without sound finance and administration is an obvious impossibility. We must all help China to set her house in order, and give her the opportunity to work out her own destiny. Japan can never do this single-handed. We are willing to bear our share of the burden which the work involves, and are ready to co-operate with the other friendly Powers in the interest of the peaceful commercial development of the world."

T. W. LAMONT ON CHINESE CONSORTIUM AND FAR EASTERN QUESTION—JAPAN'S RESERVATIONS.

The belief that the Far Eastern question has been advanced at least a stage nearer solution by reason of the assured formation of the Chinese Consortium with Japan's entry on the same terms as England, the United States and France, was expressed by Thomas W. Lamont, of J. P. Morgan & Co., in an address made at the luncheon of the Council on Foreign Relations at the Bankers' Club, this city, on Wednesday last, July 14. In his speech Mr. Lamont observed that "Japan undoubtedly showed broadmindedness and wisdom in waiving her reservations in regard to Manchuria and Mongolia,"—the question as to Japan's stand on this issue being the subject of the remarks of the article immediately preceding. In his address at the Bankers' Club, it was stated by Mr. Lamont that the formation of the Consortium, now that Japan has decided to come in, is but the first step in a long and arduous pathway." In appealing for co-operation for the plan, Mr. Lamont contended that "the success of the Consortium, and the maintenance of American trade in the Far East, rests in the last analysis, not upon Governments, but upon private citizens and upon their support." Mr. Lamont's remarks are presented herewith in full:

For years there has been a Far Eastern question, a question that has directly or indirectly affected all the leading nations of the world. That

question has, I believe, been advanced at least one stage nearer solution by reason of the assured formation of the consortium for China with Japan entering it upon precisely the same terms as England, America and France. It is not simply the formation of this international group upon the formula proposed by the American Government that is significant, important as that is; but rather the fact that in the process of organization there must have been developed a more complete understanding as to the Far Eastern situation among the Governments themselves, as well as among the strong Banking Groups which, with the approval of the Governments, have formed this consortium.

I am informed that in the two years it has taken to form the Consortium there has been the freest interchange of views among the Governments of the United States, Great Britain, France and Japan. It is also well known that in the viewpoint as to China the ideas of our Government, of the British and the French have from the start been a unit and that for some time Japan's views did not fully coincide with those of the other three Governments. Now, happily, Japan has come to see eye to eye with the other three Governments on this question of the Chinese consortium and I believe that to-day they are a unit in respect to it. That fact, brought about as I say only after a complete interchange of views, is the significant one in this situation.

Far too much credit has been accorded to me for the part that in Japan and in China I was able to play in the final negotiations. The way had been prepared for me. First, I had been sent to the Far East, not only at the request of the American Banking Group, made up of almost forty of the leading banking institutions and firms in the United States, but also with the cordial approval of the British and French Banking Groups. I was also made conversant with the views of the three Western Governments and also rendered confident in the knowledge that their ideas, as I have already said, were a unit in this matter. I was received with the utmost cordiality by the members of the Japanese Banking Group, for long ago they learned to speak the language of international co-operation in banking matters. Then, too, our Ambassador at Tokio, Roland S. Morris, who occupies there a unique position of influence and strength, had arranged so that I was enabled to meet on terms of intimate converse the leading members of the Japanese Government and of all the important elements in Japanese affairs. With such backing it was almost inevitable that we should find ourselves able, even though the questions for settlement were complex and difficult, to arrive at a common basis of understanding.

Japan undoubtedly showed broadmindedness and wisdom in waiving her reservations in regard to Manchuria and Mongolia. She was courageous in recognizing that those reservations were of no value to her and if maintained would only serve as an inevitable bar to her entering as a free and full partner in the consortium. As one of her leading men said to me: "I want Japan to enter the consortium on the same terms as the other Banking Groups; first, because the operations of the consortium will best develop China and from such development Japan will benefit most; second, because through the Consortium the four nations will be brought into closer touch, and third, but not least, because Japan has not the resources wherewith to develop China alone."

Now what is the consortium? It is simply a grouping together of the leading banking houses and banks of the four countries already named, a grouping already made, as I have said, at the instance of the four Governments for the purpose of rendering assistance to China in the development of her great public enterprises; those things like the reform of the currency, the development of railway transportation, etc., such as will serve to render China a better field for the initiative of all our private citizens. And in China the leading men of affairs welcome the proposed operations of the consortium as likely to render it the very help China most needs.

My object in visiting China was to talk over the matter of the consortium with the leading citizens of that country, and then to report back to the Western Groups upon conditions existing there, economic, financial and political, so that they could better determine the question as to whether China offered today a safe and attractive field for the savings of the Western investors. I was much impressed with the great extent and underlying strength of China's resources, with the integrity and industry of her people and with their potential future. They have great problems to overcome, but if we are able to extend the right sort of counsel and aid to them, they will, I believe, solve their difficulties.

We must remember the formation of the consortium, now that Japan has decided to come in, is but the first step in a long and arduous pathway. The Banking Groups themselves will have to display toward one another great patience; great tolerance. Coalitions never function readily; international partnerships always prove difficult, but the fact that we are all engaged in one enterprise and with one principle in view, namely, the welfare of China, this ought to weld us together and make our operations successful. But in order to reach that happy end, we must bespeak the co-operation of all good American citizens and most particularly I want to make a brief personal appeal to the members of the Council on Foreign Relations. From your study of world problems you are especially well equipped to give thought, aid and counsel to the question of America's relations to Japan and to China, to the Far East generally.

The policy of the United States Government with respect to the Far East has been criticised in the past as not having been altogether constant. But in this particular matter of the consortium, since it took it up afresh two years ago, its policy has been consistent, energetic, courageous. But the success of the consortium, the maintenance of American trade in the Far East rests, in the last analysis, not upon Governments, but upon private citizens, and upon their support. For this new plan of Far Eastern co-operation, then, I again bespeak your cordial support, your thoughtful interest and the free expression of your views.

LEWIS L. CLARKE ON NEED OF CLOSER UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN AMERICANS AND JAPANESE.

The need of a closer understanding between the peoples of the United States and Japan was emphasized by Lewis L. Clarke, President of the American Exchange National Bank of this city, in an interview with his return to his desk on July 12 after more than two months travel in the Far East as a member of a party of representative Americans who visited Japan at the invitation of prominent Japanese citizens. In part Mr. Clarke said:

Improvement in the relations between this country and Japan are very largely dependent upon the Japanese making their beautiful country more in keeping with that to which the American traveler is accustomed. By that I mean that they must improve their steamship service, hotel accommodations, and modes of travel to the degree that will bring them up to the requirements of the modern traveler, who is the builder of international good will.

The country is one of great beauty and of marked interest, and when one travels through it he can appreciate that it is a country which should be more accessible to the traveler who is willing to devote much time in visiting the many places of marked and historic interest.

Unfortunately the people of Japan have not appreciated as they should the value of good roads—although there is today a movement on foot by leading citizens of Tokio which means, in my opinion, that prompt action will be taken in improving the roads in Tokio and through the country. When this improvement is made and the steamship interests have large and faster passenger steamships, and modern hotels are scattered through Japan run on the European plan, a closer contact between our two countries is inevitable.

It is necessary that the people of our two countries associate in order that we may more fully appreciate each other. The Japanese undoubtedly understand our problems much better than we understand theirs, and their understanding is based upon the fact that more Japanese travel in America than do Americans in Japan. The right solution of the many problems of the day are dependent upon a closer intimacy with the people of each nation; and therefore with proper inducements and conveniences the tide of travel which is now toward Europe could be turned into the, so-to-speak, channel of the East where in time it would tend to wear away the many misunderstandings that now exist. But this cannot be brought about, in my opinion, until the Japanese people fully realize and appreciate the value of making things easy for the traveler who is accustomed to modern conveniences and who is willing to spend his money.

I found a spirit of democracy and of good feeling for our country among the Japanese. Old institutions and old traditions linger and impede but do not obstruct Japan's steady advance. It is true, of course, that some of these traditions will continue to be valuable to Japan until she finds a solution of her pressing problems, but the new spirit is growing and I think it, together with a closer intimacy, will do more to settle the problems of Japan than any other factor.

A further barrier in the way of a better understanding between our two countries is the inadequate cable service. It does not afford facilities for the ordinary and necessary commercial business that daily passes, to say nothing of the press service. We should know more about each other through the daily channels of news. Things happen in Japan that are of great interest to us here, which we do not hear of for weeks. The same is true with respect to happenings in our country which are of interest to Japan. Amplified cable facilities would do much to remove the handicap to good relations and business intercourse. The Japanese Government and business men are keenly alive to this cable question, and I had numerous discussions and interviews with the Government officials—in authority on the question—and as a result it is my hope that a satisfactory solution may be brought about, as I know the mind of the Japanese people, and what they are willing to do in order to bring about a more satisfactory situation.

Japan is backward in the matter of telephones, telegraph and mail facilities, and modes of travel.

Concerning the telephone, it would almost seem as though it were still a novelty in Japan, as there seems to be no desire to facilitate matters so far as installation is concerned. One files an application for a telephone, and it takes ten years or more before a permit is issued and installation made. This condition has developed a so-to-speak trafficking in installations. In other words, if one must have a telephone and cannot wait for a regular installation he finds someone who will sell his number and it is purchased at a price from 1500 to 2500 Yen, in other words, from approximately \$750 to \$1,250. This seems almost inconceivable.

Mr. Clarke went on to say further that, in his opinion, Thomas W. Lamont in his capacity as the representative of the American members of the Chinese consortium performed one of the most notable pieces of constructive work in the history of the relations between the West and the East. The full significance of what Mr. Lamont accomplished, Mr. Clarke believes will never be fully appreciated except by those who understand the difficulties he overcame—but the results will in due course speak for themselves. The co-operation of American bankers in undertakings would be welcomed by the Chinese bankers and business men, and offer many attractions. The opportunities for investments such as bottle factories, bag factories, oil mills and sugar refineries, Mr. Clarke believes not only afford a field for the employment of American capital, with reasonable assurance of profit, but would also cement the good feeling already entertained for our country in China.

PAYMENT BY NICARAGUA OF WAR-TIME AND CURRENT OBLIGATIONS.

Under date of July 15 the daily papers printed the following advices from Washington:

Advices received here to-day from Managua said that as a result of the diplomatic aid extended by the American Government, Nicaragua had paid since July 1 the last of its war-time and current obligations, leaving no indebtedness except that which is bonded.

Nicaragua revenues fell off sharply during the war, and in 1917 an arrangement was made by Nicaragua with its American and British creditors through the State Department to defer for five years 70% of the interest and all the sinking fund of bonds held in London and the principal of short-time Treasury bills held in New York. According to these advices national revenues, especially the customs, have been so good during the past year and a half that the five-year exemption period has been anticipated. Last year a third of the deferred obligations were paid and now all the remainder, including £151,487 sent to London and 123,986 sent to New York. There is left in the national treasury a surplus of \$750,000 most of which will be spent on good roads.

BALDWIN LOCOMOTIVE WORKS ESTABLISHES CREDIT WITH REPUBLIC OF COLOMBIA

The following Philadelphia advices appeared in the "Wall Street Journal" of July 10:

Baldwin Locomotive Works has completed a transaction with the Government of Colombia whereby the company has established a credit of \$2,000,000 in favor of the South American republic. The contract, arranged by the Under-Secretary of Railroads, has been approved by the Minister of Finance. It is understood that the credit is for 10 years

and allows Colombia to draw upon it at any time. So far no orders for engines have been placed under the credit established. At a cost of \$50,000 each the credit would cover purchase of 40 engines.

Baldwin has also received an order for spare parts for locomotives from Rumania and shipment will be promptly made. Terms of payment, it is understood, are cash against documents, the Rumanian Government having established a credit in this country. This order is in addition to the order taken by President Samuel M. Vaulain while in Rumania covering 25 engines and spare parts and to be paid by monthly shipments over a period of five years.

The parts ordered this week are to repair Pershing engines which Baldwin turned out in great quantities during the war. To get the rolling stock of Rumania into working condition in the shortest possible time additional orders for spare parts may be sent to Baldwins. The actual repairs can be made in the railroad shops in that country.

Shipments of oil in payment for engines sold are delivered to Baldwin at the wharf where the oil is sold to the Romana-Americana, foreign subsidiary of Standard Oil of New Jersey. Standard Oil has a refinery as well as producing properties in Rumania.

CABINET OF PRIME MINISTER MEIGHEN OF CANADA.

Arthur Meighen, who as we announced last week, page 137, has been chosen to succeed Sir Robert Borden, resigned, as Prime Minister of Canada, was sworn into office on July 10. On the 13th inst. the new Prime Minister made known the selection of his Cabinet containing all the members but three of the Cabinet of Sir Robert Borden. The three new Ministers are Rupert W. Wigmore, Minister of Customs and Inland Revenue; F. B. McCurdy, Minister of Public Works, and E. K. Spinney, Minister without portfolio. The newly constituted Cabinet is made up as follows:

Premier and Minister of External Affairs—Arthur Meighen.
President of the Council and Minister of Immigration and Colonization—J. A. Calder.
Minister of Trade and Commerce—Sir George E. Foster.
Minister of Finance—Sir Henry Drayton.
Minister of Justice—C. J. Doherty.
Minister of Militia—Hugh Guthrie.
Minister of Railways and Canals—J. D. Reid.
Secretary of State—A. L. Sifton.
Minister of Marine and Fisheries and Naval Affairs—C. C. Ballantyne.
Minister of Agriculture—S. F. Tolmie.
Postmaster-General—P. E. Blondin.
Minister of Public Works—Hon. F. B. McCurdy.
Minister of Customs and Inland Revenue—R. W. Wigmore.
Minister of the Interior and Superintendent of Indian Affairs—Sir James Loughheed.
Ministers Without Portfolio—Sir Edward Kemp and E. K. Spinney.
Minister of Labor—G. D. Robertson.

The only post which still remained to be filled was that of Solicitor-General. The new Government, according to the Montreal "Gazette" of July 14, consists of ten conservatives, six Liberals and one Labor representative.

SCARCITY OF DOLLARS IN ECUADORIAN MARKETS

The following is taken from the New York "Evening Post" of July 3:

Recently there has been a great scarcity of American exchange on the Ecuadorian market, to such an extent that all the banks in Ecuador, with the exception of the Banco Commercial de Agricola and the Commercial Bank of Spanish America, Ltd., suspended the sale and collection of drafts in dollars at the legal rate of exchange, namely, 2.13 sucres per dollar, and are requesting importers to meet their obligations in dollars with a banker's check on New York. This has been a great handicap for importers who had obligations in dollars with the local banks (excepting the two already mentioned), as they had to buy dollars on the open market and to pay up to 2.25 sucres per dollar.

This situation was partly due to the fact that 20,000 bags of cacao which were going to be shipped to New York were at the last moment changed to London, as the Asociacion de Agricultores del Ecuador were able to get better prices in the latter market, and consequently there was an abundance of sterling and a shortage of American exchange in the market.

It is probable that when the quantity and quality of the new cacao crop are assured conditions in exchange will once more revert to nearly normal.

CZECHO-SLOVAK FINANCIAL OUTLOOK—DEBT TO U. S., ENGLAND, &c.

The following is taken from information received at Washington from Trade Commissioner Vladimir A. Geringer, at Prague, under date of May 14; we are giving only a part of the advices from Mr. Geringer, published in "Commercial Reports" of June 24:

Debts Resulting from the War—Debt to United States.

The debt of the Czecho-Slovak Republic, as it appears from the whole financial scheme of the present Government, may be divided into the following six categories:

1. Expenditures incurred from the participation of the Czecho-Slovak Nation in the war as follows.

(1) Debt to the United States—(a) for food supplies received from the United States, on which interest at 5% is being paid with no fixed period of payment of the principal, \$57,744,750; (b) for supplies purchased from the American Liquidation Commission, bearing 5% interest—\$5,000,000 payable in 1922, \$5,000,000 payable in 1923, and the balance payable in 1924—\$14,942,546; (c) on account of the Czecho-Slovak Army in Siberia, bearing 5% interest without fixed date of payment for the principal, the exact amount to be determined, but estimated to be less than \$7,000,000; (d) for the repatriation of the Siberian Army, terms of interest and payment not yet fixed, \$12,000,000; (e) war materials purchased at Coblenz, \$2,710,930.

Existing guaranties given for the payment of cotton purchased by spinners on credit arranged for by Czecho-Slovak banks amount to \$14,600,000. Previous amounts so guaranteed, \$6,700,000, was paid on Jan. 2 1920.

Debts Owning to France, Italy and England.

(2) Debt to France—(a) For war materials, bearing 5% interest, originally payable July 1920, by extension, already arranged for, due July 1921, 110,000,000 francs (franc=\$0.193, par of exchange); (b) approximate estimate of expenses of maintenance of Czecho-Slovak Army legions in the Allied armies in France, terms of interest and payment not yet fixed, 200,000,000 francs.

(3) Debt to Italy—(a) Approximate maximal estimate of expenses of Czecho-Slovak legions in Italy, 180,000,000 lire (lire=\$0.193, par of exchange); (b) debt to a group of Italian banks for raw materials, payable in Aug. 1920, at 6% interest, payment already extended to Nov. 1 1920, 20,000,000 lire; (c) credit arranged for on April 1 1920, for raw materials, due one year from date, 6,000,000 lire.

(4) Debt to England for relief supplies, payable July 1920, at 5% interest, £304,116 (£=\$1.86, par of exchange).

The favorable rate of exchange hitherto prevailing was taken advantage of to pay, at the end of March 1920, for war materials purchased from a group of German banks, 18,000,000 marks, which were not due until Sept. 1920.

Czecho-Slovakia's Share of Austria-Hungary's Pre-War Debt.

2. In the second category is the debt which the Czecho-Slovak Republic had to take over upon the liquidation of Austria-Hungary. In accordance with the provisions of the peace treaty of St. Germain it may be estimated that the Czecho-Slovak Republic will take over about 6,000,000,000 francs of the pre-war debts of Austria-Hungary. About 1,200,000,000 placed in the Allied countries will be paid back in gold francs. The remainder, amounting to about 4,800,000,000, in the hands of Czecho-Slovak citizens, will be converted into an internal loan payable in Czecho-Slovak crowns. (New York exchange value of Czecho-Slovak crown on June 1 1920, was \$0.025, par of exchange=\$0.2026).

From the liquidation of Austria-Hungary the Czecho-Slovak Republic will, therefore, assume an indebtedness of 1,200,000,000 gold francs and 4,800,000,000 Czecho-Slovak crowns.

Tax of Liberation and Strictly Internal Debts.

3. In the third category of debts is the tax of liberation to which the Czecho-Slovak delegation at the peace conference had to consent as a contribution to the war expenses of the Allied countries in the amount of 750,000,000 francs.

4. Then come the strictly internal debts—4,800,000,000 crowns of the old Austro-Hungarian rent, and bank notes of the Austro-Hungarian Bank, amounting to about 8,000,000,000 crowns, which are circulating in the territory of the Czecho-Slovak Republic—a total of 12,800,000,000 crowns.

Loans and Expenses of 1919 and 1920—Austro-Hungarian War Loans.

5. The fifth category of debts comprises the extraordinary expenses and loans of 1919 and 1920 incurred by the Czecho-Slovak Government itself, on account of the new State. These loans and expenses are as follows:

(a) First loan (liberty loan), 1,000,000,000 crowns; (b) second loan (4% State loan), payable 1923-24, 983,022,000 crowns; (c) loan of the Czecho-Slovak Government from the Czecho-Slovak banks, 1,031,500,000 crowns; (d) premium $4\frac{1}{2}\%$ loan, payable 1926-1960, amount not yet determined.

The budget for the year 1920 shows a deficit of 2,665,405,147 crowns. It is quite likely that extraordinary expenses not provided for in the budget may increase this amount by 2,000,000,000 crowns.

6. The sixth category comprises the Austro-Hungarian war loans, which, according to the peace treaty, the Czecho-Slovak Government is not obliged to pay. It is therefore an internal problem of the Czecho-Slovak Republic which must itself decide whether it will pay its citizens who are holders of the bonds.

Czecho-Slovakia to Pay Part of Austro-Hungarian War Loan.

The Government of the Czecho-Slovak Republic has decided that in principle it is willing to pay about 33% of the portion of the Austrian war loan which was subscribed in Czecho-Slovakia. This percentage represents the relative values of the Austrian and Czecho-Slovak crowns, so that the Czecho-Slovak holders of bonds payable in Austrian crowns would practically be paid in full in the value of that currency. This decision was arrived at in order to prevent a great many of the citizens from being very seriously affected economically and to avoid a possible financial disturbance in the country. It is estimated that in the territory of the Czecho-Slovak Republic, Austrian war loans are held to the extent of about 8,000,000,000 crowns, which would mean that the Czecho-Slovak Republic would take over 2,600,000,000 crowns of this war debt. Which holders shall be paid and to what extent, and which shall not be paid, if any, will be determined in the coming National Assembly.

Government Aid for Industries and Banks—Total Debt.

The Czecho-Slovak Government reckons that it will be obliged to carry out the reconstruction of some industries and banks which suffered extreme losses in Austria-Hungary (for which losses new Austria will not be able to offer them any compensation) and to protect especially those who were forced to subscribe great sums, such as insurance companies, saving banks, municipalities, and others, even to a greater extent than 33%; so that it may be presumed that the total of the whole internal debt may rise to 25,000,000,000 crowns.

To sum up, the financial situation of the Czecho-Slovak Republic at the end of 1920 may be expressed in the following figures: Foreign debts, 3,500,000,000 francs; internal debt, 25,000,000,000 crowns.

Measures for Discharging the Debts—Property Tax.

The following measures have been adopted:

The wealth of the Czecho-Slovak Republic at present may be estimated at some 200,000,000,000 crowns.

On April 8 1920, the National Assembly enacted a law for the collection of a property tax, which in reality is a tax on capital and wealth and also a tax on increment; that is, the difference in the pre-war financial worth of individuals and their financial worth on March 1 1919. These taxes are expected to yield from 10,000,000,000 to 12,000,000,000 crowns. This sum is to be used in reducing the internal indebtedness, which, as previously noted, is figured to reach 25,000,000,000 crowns by the end of 1920. The law expressly provides that the amount raised must not be used for any other purpose than for the payment of domestic debts incurred for war purposes and during the years 1919 and 1920. (For particulars as to this law see "Commerce Reports" for April 23 1920.) The stamped Austrian bank notes, which have been withheld, can be used in the payment of these taxes. The plan is to collect the money in such a way as not to disturb seriously the economic and industrial conditions.

Foreign Indebtedness to be Funded—Various Sources of Revenue.

The debts incurred abroad in francs are to be converted into a national gold rent of the Czecho-Slovak Republic, as stipulated in the peace treaties.

The regular budget of the Czecho-Slovak Republic for 1920 already includes the interest on a portion of this debt in francs, since, according to the peace treaties the pre-war Austro-Hungarian debt and the debt to the Allies of 750,000,000 francs will be converted into bonded indebtedness later, and the interest will be payable after a lapse of years.

The premium loan being subscribed now will surely bring in about 700,000,000 crowns. From present indications the income from the luxury and

sales tax will be twice the original estimate of 800,000,000 crowns. The revenue from customs duties will also be much greater. Officials of the Ministry of Finance expect to realize three times the estimated amount. The increased railroad fares and freight charges will considerably reduce the railway deficit. The recently adopted tax on coal, payable from May 1 1920, is expected to yield 1,000,000,000 crowns annually.

Back Taxes Withheld from Old Austrian Government.

Besides these the Czecho-Slovak Government has yet another source of revenue which it could turn to if the above financing should not yield sufficient returns. During the last two years of the Austrian regime the Czecho-Slovaks, as an aid to the Allied cause, refused to pay the taxes in full. The total of such unpaid taxes is said to exceed 2,500,000,000 crowns, which can be resorted to in case of necessity. The actual revenue is considerably greater than estimated in the budget, in which the amounts have been conservatively stated. Tax collectors have been busily employed and cannot catch up with their work. The present financial situation is such that the Minister of Finance stated on May 12 1920, at a conference of leaders of all the Czecho-Slovak parties in the coming National Assembly, that from a financial point of view the Republic was out of all danger.

General Outlook Promising.

From the foregoing figures it is clear that competent administration will render a credit budget possible. From improved railway conditions an increase in the regular budget revenues can confidently be expected. Besides this, the State can avail itself of the following possibilities: (a) A monopoly on matches, gunpowder, &c.; (b) a monopoly on sale of sugar; and (c) a monopoly on sale of alcohol. The last two would be very profitable.

A resume of the budget, the sources of revenue, the measures that have been taken for reducing the indebtedness, the moneys that have been collected and are in the process of collection, and the possibilities that are still open, in the opinion of Czecho-Slovak officials, clearly show a stable and progressive Government which is entitled to a substantial credit abroad for the purchase of raw materials. The exportation of goods manufactured therefrom would quickly bring the country back to pre-war conditions.

PRACTICE OF HANDLING BILLS OF EXCHANGE WITH BELGIUM.

Under the above head, the Department of Commerce, in "Commerce Reports" of June 18, prints the following from Consul-General Henry H. Morgan at Brussels.

Exports to the United States from Belgium are generally financed by means of credits opened in the United States by the American importer, under which the local seller draws. Terms vary, but credits usually are for a term of three months. Before the war bills on London were in greatest demand, but at present bills drawn in dollars are eagerly sought. Most local exporters' bills are drawn in Belgian francs. The common usance of such bills is three months; they are negotiated mainly through bankers. Bills are customarily domiciled in the city in which the exporter of the banker is located.

New York rates of discount are not officially quoted, except in publications which are received here from England and the United States. Exchange rates are quoted daily and accurately on the Stock Exchange. Local banks keep themselves posted on fluctuations in the various financial centres by wireless, telegraph and telephone. No exchange tables are published here; so far as known, no local banks get regular quotations of discount rates from New York. The profit in the purchase of commercial bills is usually made on the exchange operation, and this varies considerably.

AMORTIZATION OF SWISS RAILWAY DEBT TO BE POSTPONED.

The following information from Trade Commissioner H. L. Groves, at Zurich, June 12, is taken from "Commerce Reports" of July 8:

As a means of counterbalancing the deficit accumulated by the Swiss Federal Railways since the beginning of the war, the Swiss Federal Council has approved a proposal to prolong the amortization of the debt covering the purchase price from 60 years, as at present, to 100 years. At the end of 1919 this accumulated deficit amounted to 159,460,000 francs. A postponement of the amortization period, as proposed, would liberate some 128,000,000 francs already paid in for this purpose for current use, owing to the fact that the proposed change is to be made retroactive to cover the period in which the amortization process has already been in operation, namely, since the taking over of the roads by the Government in 1903.

FALL IN KRONE DUE TO DENMARK'S LABOR TROUBLES.

[From "Wall Street Journal" of July 9.]

Comparison of the exchange rates on the former neutral countries of Europe shows that Swiss exchange has depreciated least while that of Denmark has depreciated most. Comparison as of Wednesday last is as follows:

Country—	July 7.	Parity.	Depreciated.
Switzerland—Francs per dollar.....	5.56	5.18	6.8%
Holland—Dollars per guilder.....	.3525	.4020	12.3%
Spain—Dollars per peseta.....	.1620	.1930	16.0%
Sweden—Dollars per krona.....	.2200	.2680	17.9%
Norway—Dollars per krona.....	.1670	.2680	37.7%
Denmark—Dollars per krona.....	.1650	.2680	38.4%

It was explained at the office of the Danish Special Shipping Commission that the weakness of exchange on Copenhagen is due almost entirely to decreased exports because of labor troubles in Denmark. It was said that for a long time after the war there was a period of relaxation not only in Denmark but also throughout the other Scandinavian countries. Refusal of employers to submit to the demands of the radical element for more pay and less work resulted in a series of strikes. Exports practically ceased. At the same time it was necessary for Denmark to import large quantities of coal from the United States.

Coal could not be obtained in any large quantities from England because that country was shipping most of her surplus coal to the Central European countries and Italy. It was, therefore, necessary for Denmark to buy in this country. Owing to the increased cost of coal and to the greatly increased cost of transportation, this operation was four or five times more costly than prior to the war. A decline in Danish exchange naturally followed.

It was said that practically all the strikes are now settled and large shipments of butter, cheese and potatoes have already reached this country and more will follow. As exports approach normal a rise in exchange rate is expected.

NEW DANISH BANKING LAW.

The following is taken from the July 1 issue of "Commerce Reports" published by the Department of Commerce:

The new Danish law relative to banks and banking will be put in force on Oct. 4 1920. Paragraph 4, Section 2, of this law reads as follows: "Foreign banks can not establish business branches in this country without the consent of the Minister of Commerce." The Minister of Commerce has not yet announced his decision concerning the conditions to be imposed on foreign banks that desire to transact business through branches in Denmark. A few American banks have sent representatives to Copenhagen, but no branches have, as yet, been organized. The address of the Minister of Commerce is: Handelsministeren, Holmens Kanal 9, Copenhagen.

A copy of the booklet giving the text of the new Danish banking law is on file at the New York district office of the bureau, 734 Custom House, New York City. This booklet is in the Danish language.

DANISH EXCHANGE COUNCIL CEASES TO FUNCTION

"Commerce Reports" of June 9 announced the receipt by the Department of Commerce of the following cablegram from Commercial Attache Anderson at Copenhagen:

The Danish Minister of Commerce announced on June 4 that the Danish Exchange Council has unanimously decided to cease functioning, owing to the Government's refusal to support activities by legislation. Danish exchange regulations are therefore removed, but the Danish banks will probably continue to restrict foreign purchases to absolute necessities.

FINANCING EXPORTS FROM UNITED STATES TO JAPAN.

"Commerce Reports" of July 2 announces the receipt of the following from Trade Commissioner Alfonso Johnson, Tokyo, under date of May 21 1920:

Exports from the United States to Japan are usually financed by credits expended in America in gold dollars by a bank in Japan. These credits are drawn against by the sellers after shipment of the goods, and the amounts of the relative drafts, to which complete shipping documents are attached, are paid over to them by the bank with whom the credit has been arranged. The usance of such drafts is generally 60, 90 or 120 days' sight. On the arrival of the draft and documents in Japan, acceptance is obtained and the said draft and documents remain in the bank's hands until maturity. It sometimes happens that the consignee requires delivery of the goods before the due date of the draft, in which case the bank may at its own risk and discretion deliver same against a trust receipt; this practice is quite common, but such privilege is extended only to consignees of the highest standing.

The drawee settles exchange gold dollars-yen with the bank, and retires the draft any time at his convenience up to the due date. The landing and storage of the goods are looked after by the drawee, as is the insurance, while the goods are in the warehouse. There is no charge for commission by the collecting banker, who looks at the relative exchange operation for his profit.

Exchange quotations are published daily, but often are only nominal.

ITALIAN STOCKS DECLINE—FISCAL POSITION IMPROVING.

According to "Commerce Reports" of June 23, the following cablegram was received from Commercial Attache Dennis at Rome, under date of June 19:

Recent contraction of banking credit for speculative purposes and rumors of an impending increase of the rate of discount to 7%, together with reports of a pledge by the new ministry to convert bearer shares into registered nominative shares, has caused a sharp decline in all classes of Italian securities. The consolidated 5% national loan issued at 87.50 is selling—less July coupon—at around 80; leading bank stocks are off from 60 to 200 points from recent high levels. Industrial shares are from 15 to 30% lower than last month; shipping shares are similarly affected. On the other hand, taxes are flowing in regularly and in amounts which exceed all expectations; banks are gaining heavily in deposits and the lira is steadily rising in terms of international exchange. Commodity prices show easier tendencies with popular agitation for decreased consumption and lower prices.

ITALY APPLIES TAX LEVY ON WEALTH

The United States Bulletin, for June 21, (published at Washington,) had the following to say under the above head:

The Italian Government has given up the contemplated forced loan and in its stead will levy a tax on capital, to be spread over a period of 20 years. At stated times the capital will be revalued. The tax is to be applied as follows:

1. The imposition of a progressive tax on capital acquired during the war.
2. The imposition of an extraordinary progressive tax on capital.
3. The revision of the income tax, together with a new progressive tax on complete incomes.
4. The increase of the extraordinary tax on interest and dividends on shares imposed by Royal decree on Nov. 17 1918.

The tax on capital acquired during the war will vary from a minimum of 10% to a maximum of 60%.

The Government is also issuing a voluntary 5% loan at L.85.50. A 3½% tax-free loan was considered but the adoption of the 5% loan subject to income tax was decided upon.

ADDITIONAL GOLD RECEIVED FROM GREAT BRITAIN

The gold shipments from Great Britain which we have previously announced as received by Kuhn, Loeb & Co. of this City from Great Britain, were augmented by a further consignment of approximately \$3,250,000 received on the Imperator which arrived on July 12.

London advices of July 13 also said "American bankers are buying South African gold in the open market at about 104 shillings per ounce. Price naturally varies according to exchange. India is paying a slightly higher price than America."

PURCHASE OF ADDITIONAL SILVER BY U. S. MINT.

On Saturday last, July 10, the total purchases of silver to that date by the Treasury Department were reported as 7,777,545 ounces, following week-end purchases in two lots, of 121,545 ounces and 58,000 ounces respectively. Incidentally we may note that a purchase announced July 2 for the Philadelphia Mint, was 90,000 ounces, and not 900,000 ounces, as the types made us say in our issue of July 3, page 21.

CHINA REMOVES SILVER EMBARGO

The embargo on the exportation of silver coins in quantities exceeding \$50 has been removed by China, according to Canton advices, dated June 26, appearing in the New York "Evening Post" of July 13.

TRIP ABROAD OF SENATOR EDGE AUTHOR OF ACT ENABLING BANKING CORPORATIONS TO DO FOREIGN BUSINESS.

Senator Walter E. Edge of New Jersey left for Europe on the Imperator on Thursday of this week, his trip abroad having been undertaken partly with a view to looking to the development of American trade in foreign markets. Senator Edge, who is the author of the Edge Act providing for the formation and operation of corporations designed to engage in foreign banking business made the following statement to a representative of the "Wall Street Journal" before his departure.

While I am going abroad to look over my own interests in London and Paris, I shall meet official representatives in England and France to talk over the export situation with the idea of opening up foreign markets for American business and providing a system of international financing that will make possible the increase of production by American manufacturers and assist in placing the United States merchant marine on a more profitable basis.

The financing of American business in Europe, as provided in the export finance amendment, will necessitate the expansion of our banking system whereby it will be possible to float foreign securities in America. I shall discuss with those bankers and business men the type of securities they would like to float here, and find out to what extent they are willing to co-operate.

One of the first essentials in our program is to increase production. It must be made possible for American manufacturers to maintain capacity production, but this cannot be done unless the goods can be marketed. We boast of a merchant marine of 2,000 ships, but how can we expect a merchant marine to be successful unless our tonnage is filled, operating in both directions. We can operate our ships and supply the goods if the foreign purchaser will pay us when the goods reach the market.

We do not wish to lend more money abroad; that time is passed. If we lend money we have taxation to bear, but if we can sell goods, a fair profit can be realized. Those abroad have securities, but they have no gold. Therefore, we must provide facilities for accepting those securities and sell goods against them.

Our plan is to take the foreign securities and issue bonds and debentures against them. Of course, the bonds and debentures will be bought, in a large part, by those who have goods to sell, for they can make a profit on both the securities and the goods sold. If United States expects to obtain a substantial foothold in the markets of the world, action must be begun immediately and we must not delay the formulation of plans providing of such facilities as will prove practical.

WITHDRAWAL OF GOVERNMENT DEPOSITS IN N. Y. FEDERAL RESERVE DISTRICT.

In addition to the \$22,000,000 which was withdrawn by the Government from local banks on the 6th inst. (referred to in these columns last Saturday, page 140), there were further withdrawals of a like amount this week. One of the newspaper reports concerning this week's action, was the following in the "Wall Street Journal" of July 14:

Another \$11,000,000 will be withdrawn from local member banks by the Government on Thursday. This, together with the \$11,000,000 withdrawn on Tuesday, cleans up the Government deposits with local member institutions.

The subscriptions to the current issues of Treasury bills will be paid for on Thursday, July 15, and these funds deposited with member banks.

RESOURCES OF STATE BANKING INSTITUTIONS IN UNITED STATES.

The total resources of the State banking institutions, according to the latest compilation made by R. N. Sims, Secretary and Treasurer of the National Association of Supervisors of State Banks, are nearly thirty billion dollars—\$29,024,095,539. While the report prepared by Mr. Sims is made up from statements of widely different dates (the law, he points out, is not uniform as to dates of call and in some States months are required to compile the reports), it is, he says, considered reasonable to say that it represents figures that may be fairly said to average as of Feb. 28 1920, which is the date of the Comptroller's statement covering national banks with which comparison is made. The resources of the national banks at the February date, Mr. Sims's statement shows, totaled \$21,862,540,000. In our

issue of Jan. 31 1920 (page 421), we printed the compilation previously made by Mr. Sims, with figures averaging as of June 30 1919, and the resources of the State banks were then shown to be \$25,965,675,836, those of the national banks on the same date being \$20,799,550,000. It will thus be seen that the resources of the State institutions not only exceed those of the national banks by \$7,161,555,839, but that the State institutions have more largely increased their resources in the interval indicated than have the national banks, the increase in the case of the State institutions in that period

having been \$3,058,420,003, as compared with \$1,062,990,000 in the case of the national banks. The deposits of the State banks in the latest compilation are \$24,189,608,399, comparing with \$21,632,822,012 shown in the earlier statement. The deposits of the national banks were \$16,965,122,000 on Feb. 28 1920, compared with \$15,924,865,000 on June 30 1919. The following is the statement in full just made public by Mr. Sims, who was formerly Bank Commissioner of Louisiana, but is now Vice-President of the Hibernia Bank & Trust Co. of New Orleans:

AGGREGATE RESOURCES, &C., OF ALL BANKING INSTITUTIONS UNDER STATE CONTROL, COMPILED FROM STATEMENTS FURNISHED BY HEADS OF STATE BANKING DEPARTMENTS, BY R. N. SIMS.

STATE—	Date of Report.	No. of Instit'ns	Capital.	Surplus.	Undivided Profits.	Capital, Surp. & Undiv. Profits.	Deposits.	Loans and Discounts.	Bonds, Stocks, Securities, &c.	Total Resources.
			\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Alabama	Feb. 27 1920	248	11,576,879	5,420,947	2,985,679	19,983,505	115,529,829	87,271,702	12,974,877	138,375,255
Arizona	Feb. 28 1920	66	3,683,967	2,103,259	1,242,053	7,029,279	58,737,571	39,821,071	8,920,333	67,631,930
Arkansas	Feb. 28 1920	404	15,542,250	5,923,569	3,186,346	24,652,165	143,698,220	132,092,324	15,089,409	189,064,080
California	Mar. 31 1920	425	80,947,720	37,549,165	15,799,238	134,296,123	1,181,073,067	784,386,452	333,079,149	1,347,296,634
Colorado	May 4 1920	258	8,756,500	3,659,939	1,328,316	13,744,755	104,682,190	75,098,282	17,750,679	120,700,026
Connecticut	(a)	250	11,581,138	29,976,781	4,140,443	45,698,362	562,651,991	267,435,255	262,105,319	621,902,598
Delaware	May 4 1920	27	4,144,700	5,058,590	2,076,728	11,280,018	65,576,409	28,162,404	35,734,619	81,827,163
Florida	Dec. 31 1919	204	8,485,500	2,374,476	798,138	11,658,114	86,033,567	57,349,527	13,655,509	100,258,944
Georgia	Dec. 2 1919	662	31,009,070	*25,775,847	-----	56,784,917	261,653,394	217,273,800	25,395,646	380,218,553
Idaho	May 4 1920	139	4,990,211	1,433,382	525,419	6,949,012	52,034,714	48,122,766	7,503,529	68,672,503
Illinois	Feb. 28 1920	988	112,304,605	72,902,673	23,288,147	208,495,425	1,462,700,803	1,115,392,628	287,914,987	1,819,215,744
Indiana	Dec. 31 1919	792	14,663,368	14,663,408	5,057,317	57,519,093	398,520,111	295,257,386	82,787,673	508,800,383
Iowa	April 2 1920	1,341	52,361,450	22,668,900	13,031,881	88,062,231	705,487,819	647,850,601	55,894,782	839,413,142
Kansas	Feb. 14 1920	1,098	27,249,000	13,885,586	3,659,388	44,793,974	303,086,453	257,180,411	26,507,050	364,529,993
Kentucky	April 12 1920	450	20,458,192	10,658,253	3,300,726	34,417,171	184,828,727	151,733,607	32,725,525	234,315,847
Louisiana	Mar. 17 1920	224	19,544,190	10,293,713	4,771,680	34,609,583	284,509,270	217,081,529	50,130,773	364,224,279
Maine	Sept. 27 1919	97	4,623,000	9,303,969	6,167,648	20,094,618	204,234,719	71,174,481	131,830,146	232,003,213
Maryland	(b)	187	18,264,907	28,264,750	5,292,137	51,821,794	322,966,913	154,933,782	174,457,474	397,236,932
Massachusetts	Oct. 31 1919	496	40,057,992	125,523,110	47,904,277	213,485,379	2,333,459,248	1,459,866,358	778,228,998	2,480,789,517
Michigan	May 4 1920	535	52,381,820	34,892,420	14,718,433	101,992,673	878,670,113	402,913,249	476,731,363	1,057,153,038
Minnesota	Feb. 28 1920	1,177	33,332,124	13,848,401	4,390,275	51,570,800	465,318,092	355,701,525	86,348,383	528,495,860
Mississippi	Feb. 28 1920	312	11,729,250	7,973,350	2,224,869	21,927,409	77,516,323	134,568,661	25,724,247	217,020,906
Missouri	Dec. 30 1919	1,484	59,625,600	37,554,183	14,691,979	111,871,762	679,154,635	531,701,131	115,209,353	856,515,999
Montana	Feb. 28 1920	286	11,990,000	3,848,715	1,464,212	17,302,927	100,692,904	85,472,356	11,766,057	125,513,396
Nebraska	Feb. 14 1920	1,008	25,527,700	7,874,699	4,745,460	38,147,859	298,465,167	256,960,377	13,288,673	347,434,791
Nevada	May 4 1920	23	1,678,500	442,434	467,938	2,588,872	20,547,889	15,244,030	2,640,412	23,662,247
New Hampshire	June 30 1919	70	805,000	*12,523,120	-----	13,328,120	133,652,618	62,474,653	78,867,407	148,471,035
New Jersey	May 24 1920	276	29,700,281	35,126,850	11,251,705	76,078,836	693,037,533	310,670,932	440,119,065	796,934,375
New Mexico	Feb. 28 1920	71	2,885,500	910,130	200,311	3,995,941	20,931,109	18,216,342	1,441,727	25,086,709
New York	(c)	561	194,654,300	*474,194,501	-----	668,848,801	6,063,307,817	2,579,307,441	3,166,320,369	7,298,129,490
North Carolina	Feb. 28 1920	513	18,202,977	7,993,849	5,081,686	31,188,512	237,697,450	205,996,059	18,978,416	283,974,784
North Dakota	Feb. 28 1920	718	12,383,000	4,295,000	666,474	17,344,474	127,515,642	116,549,945	11,209,277	152,460,618
Ohio	May 4 1920	776	65,816,652	50,962,171	18,590,702	135,369,525	1,133,172,111	800,945,580	284,502,900	1,322,850,848
Oklahoma	May 4 1920	610	14,633,650	2,999,356	2,490,150	20,123,156	186,830,958	130,544,515	20,412,387	213,559,383
Oregon	Feb. 28 1920	274	20,344,000	8,803,239	3,631,665	32,778,904	278,526,124	202,712,116	55,852,685	335,707,694
Pennsylvania	May 4 1920	580	134,010,507	200,994,542	46,134,084	381,139,133	1,614,428,973	562,800,769	811,457,760	2,096,703,466
Rhode Island	(d)	47	9,049,600	16,839,158	7,352,323	33,241,081	284,034,982	141,292,623	142,667,277	321,619,172
South Carolina	May 4 1920	389	16,770,564	7,297,633	5,258,490	29,326,687	157,643,590	150,003,698	16,557,943	202,588,052
South Dakota	Feb. 28 1920	552	12,326,477	4,002,689	2,211,114	18,540,280	195,951,450	157,296,088	7,168,968	220,209,822
Tennessee	Feb. 28 1920	440	19,102,782	*11,265,365	-----	30,368,147	199,141,987	165,728,234	24,888,903	259,675,762
Texas	May 4 1920	979	45,154,800	*21,973,616	-----	67,128,446	323,250,283	260,773,465	30,197,742	412,273,846
Utah	Mar. 23 1920	104	7,543,554	3,180,184	1,440,068	12,163,806	75,302,033	70,578,824	14,318,093	103,571,167
Vermont	May 4 1920	59	2,109,600	6,534,200	2,350,267	10,994,067	119,944,371	96,480,833	30,365,411	134,020,932
Virginia	Feb. 28 1920	316	21,577,365	11,818,913	3,440,894	36,837,172	143,710,445	145,608,632	25,576,813	201,559,929
Washington	May 4 1920	304	17,129,200	5,505,559	2,243,893	24,878,652	212,838,108	142,131,187	46,332,093	245,540,667
West Virginia	May 4 1920	217	15,895,023	9,756,537	4,739,145	30,390,705	154,089,088	126,905,789	25,614,068	192,679,402
Wisconsin	Feb. 28 1920	814	29,665,550	10,963,165	5,893,609	46,522,324	453,648,102	329,273,540	85,492,097	509,711,214
Wyoming	Feb. 28 1920	110	2,960,000	1,117,307	581,531	4,658,838	20,120,478	24,396,744	2,485,884	34,495,099
Totals		21,961	1,402,365,015	1,442,841,633	310,816,778	3,156,023,426	24,189,608,400	14,690,733,234	8,425,222,280	29,024,095,838
Statement of Comptroller of the Currency gives totals for all National Banks on Feb. 28 1920		7,933	1,182,082,000	944,126,000	404,443,000	2,530,651,000	16,965,122,000	11,994,523,000	4,430,268,000	21,562,540,000
Excess of State Banking Institutions		14,028	220,283,015	498,715,633	z93,626,222	625,372,426	7,224,486,400	2,696,210,234	3,994,954,280	7,161,555,839
Increase shown by State Banking Institutions over statement compiled in Jan. 1920 from latest figures available at that time, and which average as of June 30 1919		933	94,476,427	109,950,185	51,934,137	256,360,749	2,556,786,387	2,433,598,708	x72,300,731	3,058,420,003
Increase shown by all National banks over statement by Comptroller of the Currency for June 30 1919		148	29,419,000	71,960,000	31,794,000	133,113,000	1,040,257,000	909,061,000	x617,253,000	1,063,990,000
Excess Increase of State Banking Institutions		785	65,057,427	38,050,185	20,140,137	123,247,749	1,516,529,387	1,524,537,708	z544,952,269	1,995,430,003

* Includes Undivided Profits. x Decrease. z Excess National Banks. a Savings Banks Mar. 31 1920; other banks, Feb. 28 1920. b Savings banks Dec. 31 1919; other banks, May 4 1919. c Savings banks, Dec. 31 1919; other banks, Feb. 28 1920. d Savings banks, Dec. 31 1919; other banks, April 14 1920.

NEW COMMISSION RATES OF BOSTON STOCK EXCHANGE.

A new schedule of commission rates was put into effect by the Boston Stock Exchange on July 8. In explaining the changes which the new rates would effect, the Boston "Herald" of July 1 said:

Governing Committee of the Boston Stock Exchange proposes to amend rate of commission so that certain stocks will no longer have a reduced rate. At present the brokerage charge is 25 cents a share for bank, trust company and insurance stocks and 1/4 per cent on par value for textile manufacturing and real estate trust stocks, the rate being doubled when these stocks are selling at double their par value. The proposed schedule for these issues is the same as that for the others.

The announcement made by George A Rich, Secretary of the Exchange, regarding the new schedule follows:

Rates of Commission established by the Boston Stock Exchange, in effect July 8, 1920.

Bonds, on the par value	1/8%
Government Bonds are exempt from the regular rate.	
All Stocks selling at \$300 or over per share	50 cents.
Selling below \$300 and at \$125 per share	20 cents.
Selling below \$125 and at \$10 per share	15 cents.
Selling below \$10 and at \$1 per share	7 1/2 cents.
Selling below \$1 per share, with a minimum charge of \$1	1 1/2 cents.
The minimum commission on each completed individual transaction shall not be less than one dollar.	

Article XXIX, Section 6.

If the Governing Committee shall, by a majority vote of all their existing members, determine that a member of the Exchange has violated the provisions of this article, they shall suspend such member for the first offense, for such period, not less than one year nor more than five years, as a majority of the members of said Committee present may determine. A member adjudged guilty of a second offense by a majority vote of all the existing members of the Governing Committee, shall be expelled by a like vote.

GEORGE A. RICH, Secretary.

LABOR URGED AT MICHIGAN BANKERS' CONVENTION TO USE SURPLUS FOR INVESTMENT.

The failure of labor to co-operate in effecting increased production was dealt with in an address on "Economic Dilemmas," delivered at the annual convention on June 28 of the Michigan Bankers' Association, by Arthur D. Welton, of Chicago. Stating that the human elements of the four forces, credit, production, transportation and labor, are intensely interested in each other, except labor, which seems not yet to have learned that it is interested in anything but itself. Mr. Welton, according to the Detroit "Free Press," of June 29, added:

It is the function of capital to produce wealth, but where can we find the capital. The old sources of capital are dried up. The rich are having their surpluses taken away in the form of taxes. If the workers want to control industry, the way for them to attain that end is to use their surpluses for investment and not for buying silk shirts and stockings, grand pianos, talking machines and autos. The more rapidly capital accumulates the more quickly wages rise in actual buying power.

If capital is not accumulated, wages must fall, because there will not be enough surplus wealth to permit the declaration of dividends. The road to prosperity is through more wealth and not less. There is just one thing to do, go to work.

In its resolutions adopted at its concluding session, the Association, according to the same paper, "approved of all proper regulation of any private business which affects in any way public welfare. But private property and the right of private contract must be kept secure and inviolate." It contended that "nationalization of the railroads, legislative control of banks in times of peace, government management

of private business are opposed to our institutions and we condemn them. As the authorities should vigorously punish the anarchist, so we should vigorously condemn all symptoms of communistic doctrine as vicious in practice and un-American in theory."

John W. Staley, President of the Peoples State Bank of Detroit is the newly elected President of the Association.

EARNINGS OF FEDERAL RESERVE BANKS IN PAST SIX MONTHS.

In pointing out that for the six months just ended the twelve Federal Reserve banks combined increased their surplus from \$120,120,000 to \$164,745,000, or by \$44,625,000, the "Wall Street Journal" of July 8 added:

For the calendar year 1919 the twelve banks added \$97,382,000 to surplus account. On June 30 last the combined surplus was equivalent to 87% of the total subscribed capital, as compared with 69% on Dec. 31 1919.

Under the Reserve Act as amended, the Reserve banks are permitted to retain earnings after dividends until they accumulate a surplus equivalent to 100% of their subscribed capital. It should be noted that subscribed capital is double paid-in capital as only 50% of subscriptions have been called. The present surplus of \$164,745,000 compares with paid-in capital of \$94,594,000. After reaching the 100% mark the Reserve banks may retain 10% of earnings, while 90% goes to the Government as a franchise tax.

As originally drawn the Reserve Act authorized the Reserve banks to retain earnings after dividends until they had accumulated a surplus equal to 40% of their capital after which the balance was to go to the Government as a franchise tax. This section was amended in March 1919, following which the Reserve banks transferred to surplus account \$26,700,000, which had been reserved at the close of 1918 to pay the franchise tax.

The New York Federal Reserve Bank was the first institution to accumulate a surplus of 100% and at the close of 1919 it paid the Government a franchise tax of \$2,704,000. In the first half of 1920 the New York Bank increased its surplus to \$51,308,000, which is \$1,964,000 in excess of its subscribed capital, indicating that the bank paid a franchise tax of \$17,676,000.

The paid-in capital and surplus of the Reserve banks on July 2 of this year, and a comparison of the latter with that for Jan. 1 1920, follows:

Federal Reserve Bank—	July 2 1920—		Jan. 1 1920.
	Capital Paid in.	Surplus.	Surplus.
Boston.....	\$7,532,000	\$12,351,000	\$8,359,034
New York.....	24,672,000	51,308,000	45,081,933
Philadelphia.....	8,326,000	13,069,000	8,805,132
Cleveland.....	10,160,000	13,712,000	9,089,000
Richmond.....	4,825,000	8,067,000	5,820,463
Atlanta.....	3,780,000	7,050,000	4,695,000
Chicago.....	13,290,000	23,917,000	14,291,643
St. Louis.....	4,256,000	5,884,000	3,723,805
Minneapolis.....	3,279,000	5,178,000	3,569,000
Kansas City.....	4,308,000	8,395,000	6,116,033
Dallas.....	3,745,000	4,152,000	3,029,937
San Francisco.....	6,421,000	11,662,000	7,539,374
	<u>\$94,594,000</u>	<u>\$164,745,000</u>	<u>\$120,120,354</u>

GOVERNOR HARDING OF FEDERAL RESERVE BOARD ON FINANCING OF SUGAR AND TOBACCO SHIPMENTS.

A statement regarding the financing of sugar and tobacco shipments by American banks, prompted by reports as to the hoarding abroad of these stocks has been made by Governor W. P. G. Harding of the Federal Reserve Board in answer to an inquiry in the matter made by "Daily Financial America." The latter in its issue of July 13 prints the following concerning its inquiry and Governor Harding's response.

Attention of the Federal Reserve Board at Washington was called recently by Daily Financial America to published reports of large hoards of tobacco in Liverpool, amounting to 18 months supply for Great Britain, also to large sugar holdings in Cuba. A New York city official quoted an Assistant Attorney-General as stating that a \$250,000,000 loan had been made to carry this sugar. Governor Harding in his reply says that Federal reserve holdings of export sugar and tobacco paper are not large, and that sugar stocks in Europe are financed by the European governments. Who is financing the big hoard of raw sugar held back in Cuba is still an open question. Governor Harding's letter follows:
 Managing Editor, "Daily Financial America":

Receipt is acknowledged of your recent letter in which you call attention to reports that large amounts of sugar and tobacco of American origin are being held at present in storage at European ports, and suggest that the Federal Reserve Board investigate whether American bank credits are used to finance such shipments and holdings, and if so, whether cancellation of these credits should not be effected, so as to release the funds for legitimate business purposes.

In reply I beg to state that so far as sugar is concerned its marketing is still in the hands of the European governments. Relatively little bank credit is used to effect sugar exports, and accordingly the Federal reserve holdings of paper arising from the exportation of sugar are comparatively small. The "hoards" of sugar to which you refer in your letter in most cases are stocks held by or for account of foreign governments, which, in the case of Great Britain and France, are the sole importers of sugar and fix its price. The financing of these shipments from the United States is done largely through the fiscal agents of these governments and involves much smaller use of commercial credit than would be required if these shipments were made for private account.

The situation is somewhat analogous in the case of tobacco, which, as you know, is a government monopoly in France and Italy, and bank credit to effect tobacco exports to these two countries are therefore not very large. The matter stands differently, however, in the case of tobacco exports to Great Britain, where the trade is no longer under government control but largely in the hands of private corporations operating in close alliance with American manufacturing and exporting interests. Federal reserve bank

holdings of tobacco paper, particularly acceptances based upon the exports of tobacco to Great Britain, are, therefore, somewhat larger than those of sugar paper, but by no means important.

An examination of our official export statistics shows the following quantities and values of refined sugar, leaf tobacco and cigarettes exported to the principal countries of Europe during the ten months ended April 30, 1920: Refined sugar, 1,148,159,741 lbs., value \$100,109,867; leaf tobacco 475,385,645 lbs., value \$191,847,959; cigarettes, thousands, 8,083,377, value \$24,022,964; total \$315,980,790. The total exports during the past ten months of these three items which cover over 95% of the total sugar and tobacco exports, amounted to about \$388,000,000, or but slightly more than the value of the hoards of sugar and tobacco indicated in your letter, while exports to Europe of these three items were about \$315,000,000 in value or much less than the value of the tobacco and sugar hoards in European ports, as shown in your letter. The value of those stocks, of course, includes the cost of freight between the ports in the countries of origin and the European ports. It is reasonable to assume that the larger portion of the sugar and tobacco exported from this country during the past ten months has been entered for consumption in the countries of destination and that the unsold and stored portion is worth but a fraction of the \$300,000,000 of sugar and tobacco shipped to Europe during the period. Your figures, if correct, apparently represent the worth of the total stocks of sugar and tobacco held in European ports, of which the American products constitute probably only a moderate portion.

The whole matter of foreign trade financing, as you know, has had the closest attention of the Board ever since the ending of the war. From the very outset the Board held to the view that to finance our exports in excess of our available surplus of goods could only result in raising domestic prices beyond their present high level. On the other hand it was not deemed desirable to interfere with long established trade movements, such as tobacco exports to Great Britain and the Continental countries, since such interference would have affected unfavorably the producers' interests.

I am grateful to you for bringing the matter to the attention of the Board and wish to assure you that it will receive the careful consideration which it deserves.

Respectfully,

W. P. G. HARDING, Governor.

ADDITIONAL PROPERTY ACQUIRED BY FEDERAL RESERVE BANK OF NEW YORK.

In addition to the property which it acquired last month for storage purposes, at 91-97 Maiden Lane and 4-8 Gold Street, the Federal Reserve Bank of New York this week effected the purchase of the five-storey building at 10 Gold Street. The building which the bank purposes to erect on the Gold Street-Maiden Lane site will be supplementary to the bank office building which is to be erected by it on the site acquired more than a year ago, this, as stated in the bank's announcement of last month (referred to in the "Chronicle" of June 26, page 2622), "comprising all but the eastern most parcel of the block bounded by Liberty and Nassau Streets, Maiden Lane and William Street."

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 July 9:

	Capital.	Surplus.	Total Resources.
District No. 5—			
United Loan & Trust Co., Lynchburg, Va.	\$300,000	\$200,000	\$1,655,840
Petersburg Savings & Trust Co., Petersburg, Va.....	1,000,000	100,000	6,290,654
District No. 10—			
Stockgrowers' Bank, Evanston, Wyo....	50,000	35,000	714,265
District No. 11—			
First State Bank, Leakey, Texas.....	25,000	-----	71,809
Bank of Commerce & Trust Co., Mercedes, Texas.....	50,000	5,000	187,045
Merchants' State Bank, Port Arthur, Tex.	100,000	40,000	1,705,708
Guaranty State Bank & Trust Co., Waxahachie, Texas.....	200,000	15,000	1,640,670
District No. 12—			
Mercantile Trust Co., San Francisco, Calif.....	4,000,000	3,000,000	(a)

a Amount not available.

OPERATION OF LIBERTY BOND SINKING FUND.

As indicating the operation of the Liberty Bond sinking fund, we quote the following from the "Wall Street Journal" of July 8:

Beginning July 1, and for each fiscal year thereafter, until all the war issues are retired, there is appropriated for the purpose of a sinking fund an amount equal to the sum of, first, 2½% of the aggregate amount of Liberty bonds and notes outstanding on July 1, less an amount equal to the obligations of foreign Governments held by the United States on that date, and, second, the interest which would have been payable during the fiscal year on the bonds and notes so purchased, during such year, or in previous years.

As the aggregate amount of Liberty bonds and notes outstanding at the end of June was approximately \$19,647,684,150 and the amount of foreign obligations held \$9,523,622,043, the amount of war obligations subject to sinking fund calculation was \$10,124,062,107.

Two and one-half per cent of this amount is \$253,101,552. If this amount of bonds and notes is redeemed out of the sinking fund during the current fiscal year, the Secretary of the Treasury is authorized to spend an additional \$10,125,000 (interest at say 4% on the \$253,101,552) during the course of the war. This would make a possible total of \$263,225,000 of war bonds and notes redeemable out of the 2½% sinking fund during the current fiscal year.

RESUMPTION OF TRADING IN WHEAT FUTURES.

The most important event in the wheat trade for many a month was the resumption of futures trading on the leading grain exchanges of the country, Thursday, July 15. On the preceding day commission houses throughout the Chicago Board of Trade district were completing arrangements for renewal of a form of commercial life that involves transactions daily aggregating many millions of dollars. "Everybody in the district," said the press dispatches from Chicago, "appeared in festive mood over the fact that the restraint of nearly three years at last was to be dispelled." Trading in futures was shut off Aug. 25 1917 at the request of the Federal Food Administrator, Herbert Hoover. The first price for December wheat when trading was resumed was \$2 72 to \$2 75.

On the second day of trading (i. e., July 16), wheat underwent a sensational break in price. The market opened all the way from unchanged figures to 9½c. lower and soon was down 10½c. a bushel in some cases for the December option, the principal speculative delivery. The big tumble in values was attributed more to lack of buying orders than to any great pressure to sell.

Plans for the resumption of trading in wheat futures were announced by the directors of the Chicago Board of Trade on July 14. Members were notified that, as the Lever Act continues in force until the termination of a state of war with Germany, the wartime supervision of contracts for future delivery in store by grade alone will be continued and applied to trading in wheat. The directors authorized the executive officers to exercise such supervision under strict seal of secrecy, with full power to order curtailments or adjustments whenever the public welfare or the best interests of the Board of Trade seem so to require. Recognizing that the attempt to re-establish the open market was being made under abnormal conditions, the directors called attention of members to the fact that responsibility for the market's conduct rests with them. The directors urge that every adequate protection be behind every contract, since transportation facilities are far from ample, crop conditions of supply and demand are uncertain, and fluctuations are expected to be wide compared with normal conditions.

To members of the Board of Trade the following statement was issued, signed by L. F. Gates its president and John R. Mauff, secretary:

After three years without trading in wheat for future delivery an attempt will be made to provide an open market for wheat beginning July 15. Deliveries quoted will be for December and March.

The attempt to reestablish the open market is being made under conditions which are abnormal. Transportation facilities are by no means ample. Crop conditions and world conditions of supply and demand are still uncertain. It is reasonable therefore to expect market fluctuations which under normal conditions would be considered very wide; consequently no contract should be made without every adequate protection.

The market is being reestablished for the benefit of producers, consumers and handlers of cash grain. Speculative trades should therefore be encouraged only to the extent necessary to furnish a stabilizing influence. The responsibility for the conduct of this market rests with you because no non-member can approach this market except through a member of this board.

Since the Lever act is still in force, we must urge you to use every effort to see that no condition arises through a member of this association which could possibly furnish an excuse for invoking the law.

Not until we approach the winter months, and not unless the transportation conditions become more normal, can we expect that these future markets will afford the full measure of protection for handlers and dealers to which they have become accustomed under pre-war conditions.

It should be borne in mind that all of the regulatory powers conferred by you on your board of directors are still in force and that some of them may be invoked from time to time as precautionary measures and to provide against abuse under conditions abnormal.

With your full co-operation and that of every other member of the board interested in the preservation of open markets, we may expect a large measure of success than will be possible if each member seeks only his selfish advantage.

President Gates on July 15 said:

To-day is significant and important, in that it marks the re-entry of the law of supply and demand into the trading pit, where buyers and sellers the open market, absolutely responsive to actual conditions affecting values, again operate that marketing machinery which Herbert Hoover designated the most economical in the world.

In summarizing the results of the first day's trading a Chicago press writer observed: "The weakness which distinguished the market at the opening continued to develop and at one time prices were down five cents a bushel as compared with initial top figures." He added:

Hedging against Southwestern offerings of the new crop constituted the bulk of the business. The market closed unsettled at \$2 70½ December and \$2 74 March.

The plan of a modest start in the former oats pit was adopted on the assumption that it would take considerable time for the wheat market itself to an open supply and demand basis.

Prior to to-day the last recorded transactions here in future delivery of wheat were for Sept. 1917, at \$2 11½ a bushel. Since that time wheat for immediate delivery has sold in Chicago as high as \$3 95 and as low as \$2 18, the latter being the Government's initial guaranteed price, which

was subsequently advanced to \$2 26. Yesterday a car of new wheat, grading as No. 4, brought \$2 87 a bushel.

Resumption of futures trading was discussed at a meeting of the Board of Trade directors July 13. On the following day the Chicago "Tribune" said:

The directors at their regular meeting yesterday decided by resolution that the tax to be paid by the seller of a deferred acceptance contract calling for wheat should be offset by an increase in the price of the offers, both daily and weekly, of 50c. per 1,000 bushels, to take effect July 15 1920.

Demand Heavy Margins.

Commission houses are to demand the heaviest margins on known wheat trades, as they expect fluctuations to cover a wide range for a time, or until the trade becomes regulated, which it is expected may take a few weeks.

Those who desire to keep their customers out of wheat until the market rights itself are asking a minimum of 50c. per bushel and a maximum of \$1 from outsiders. Others ask 25 to 40c. from outsiders, 10 to 25c. from members, and 10 to 15c. from millers. These margins are subject to change at any time. Present margins on corn are 10 to 15c.

Trading in wheat is to start in the old oat pit now used by the rye and barley operators. The latter are to go back to the cash grain stand, where the rye trading started. When trade becomes normal, it is expected to be removed to the old wheat pit now used by corn traders. Business in corn and oats is expected to be curtailed by the re-opening on trading in wheat futures.

With reference to the reopening of the free wheat market Chicago press dispatches of July 14 made this comment:

However necessary the extraordinary hiatus in future trading had been as an emergency measure, it had brought dealers on change here face to face with a deserted pit on the otherwise crowded floor, which until war complications intervened was the chief market for the bread supply of the world. Under Government control, dealings in wheat were confined solely to immediate delivery transactions on a virtual spot cash basis. These dealings were conducted chiefly near the edge of the former wheat pit at a series of marletop tables covered with little paper sample bags. Each bagful of wheat represented a carload of wheat actually at hand, ready to be sent without further preliminaries to a mill or steamship, as the purchaser might require, and as the Federal authorities would permit.

By this plan speculation in wheat as ordinarily conducted was out of the question. The speculators' professed function was eliminated, and instead the risk lay in reality on the United States Government through the Federal price guarantee and the United States Grain Corporation's marketing operations. Such responsibility on the part of the Government recently was brought to an end by Congress.

Then conferences were held by representatives of the various grain exchanges and of the other interests concerned. As an outcome, tomorrow was chosen as the date for resuming the liberty of unrestricted trade in wheat deliverable in December or in March.

Business in other future deliveries may receive sanction later.

**CANADIAN WHEAT BOARD DISTRIBUTING
\$45,000,000 TO FARMERS—GOVERNMENT
CONTROL OF CROP UNLIKELY.**

Distribution of \$45,000,000 to the farmers of Western Canada, was, according to dispatches appearing in "Financial America," begun on July 12. This sum, it is said, is part of the amount obtained by the Government for the sale of wheat over the fixed price of \$2 15 paid to farmers, together with participation certificates. There will be a further payment of at least 10c. a bushel, it is stated, made in a few weeks time from the same source.

Plans are already under way for handling this year's wheat crop in Canada. The Winnipeg Grain Exchange has invited all branches of the grain and flour trades to send representatives to a conference with its executive committee at an early date for the purpose of determining the conditions under which the machinery of the Grain Exchange can be utilized in handling the 1920 crop. It does not seem probable now, it is said, according to J. E. Botterel, president of the Exchange, that conditions will arise which will necessitate Government control of the wheat crop. The Winnipeg Grain Exchange, therefore, is proceeding with plans for the safe and efficient handling of the crop.

**SIX BILLIONS CLAIMED TO HAVE BEEN LOST BY
FARMERS LAST YEAR.**

Figures purporting to show that the farmers of the country lost \$6,481,787,000 last year were made public by the Farmers' National Council at Washington on June 30. The figures, it is claimed, are the result of an investigation, which, according to the announcement issued by the Council, proves that charges of profiteering by farmers are absolutely without justification, and shows "the farmers interest as a laborer is about three times as great as his interests as a capitalist." Further details as to the statement were reported as follows in "Financial America" of July 1:

"Few farmers," the statement continues, "and fewer city people appreciate that agriculture is primarily labor and underpaid labor at that.

"Farmers who manage farms are entitled to fully as big money returns as managers of other business enterprises but they often receive less wages than many unskilled workers who themselves are not getting a living wage, and we should count their services worth at least \$2,000 a year."

There will be no such payment for seasonal and hired labor this year at least, the Council declares, "for the obvious reason that farmers were discouraged with the low prices received for their products and have not shown such large acreages. Farmers can always feed themselves but their business must show a profit before they feed other people.

"The study we have made," continues the statement issued by the Council, "shows that beyond question conditions of agriculture in this country must be changed and that if any additional financial burden is placed upon the farmers, it will be a blow to our national efficiency and welfare, because it is a blow to our basic industry which is now in a most serious condition as far as the general public is concerned.

"We have reached a stage in agriculture in this country where we must end special privilege and monopoly which is levying such a tremendous burden upon the farmers."

The return of the railroads to private control "with the increase in rates and consequent increase in prices, will place an increased burden of at least \$2,000,000,000 upon the farmers," the Council declares.

According to the figures gathered by the Council the total costs and expenditures on all the farms of the country last year were \$31,473,787,000. The total value of crops was \$16,025,000,000 and the total value of animals and animal products was \$8,957,000,000.

It is estimated that the total amount spent by the farmers for labor was \$5,000,000,000 and the total freight bill for moving products \$600,000,000. The Council estimates that approximately 13,000,000 persons were employed on the 6,500,000 farms in the country including the wives and children of the farmers. To "squeeze through" the farmers in the majority of cases were compelled to utilize the services of every member of their families, investigators of the Council found.

"Our investigation," the statement concludes, "shows the necessity of immediate carrying into effect the farmers reconstruction program which will save the farmers at least \$3,000,000,000 a year and of immediately establishing full cooperation between farm producers and city consumers."

AUSTRALIAN GOVERNMENT GRANTS INCREASE IN PRICE OF RAW SUGAR—RETAIL PRICE ADVANCED 5 CENTS.

With an advance of 5 cents per pound, recently authorized by the Government of Australia, sugar is selling at only 12 cents in that country at the present time.

Action on the sugar problem which confronted the Commonwealth for some time has resulted in an advance of prices for raw sugar under an agreement with the Government. Commenting on the advance, the N. Y. "Evening Post" on July 10 said:

The step was taken, it was announced, in order to encourage an increased Australian production. The new price is \$147.41 a ton, instead of the \$102 formerly paid to Queensland. At the same time there was an advance granted to the Colonial Sugar Refining Company of approximately \$4 more than the former contract price. The agreements are to continue for three years, subject to yearly revisions by the Government, but the power of the revising board lies only in increasing, not decreasing, the rate.

Accompanying the official announcement was a statement which reviewed the present serious shortage and which stated that in 1919-20 the Government had been obliged to make up for the Queensland crop shortage by importing nearly 100,000 tons at an average price of \$393.36 a ton.

In conformity with the advances in wholesale prices the Government has published a new schedule of retail prices, making the price 12 cents a pound, or 5 cents increase over the former price, and stringent restrictions are made to prevent the sale of sugar obtained at the former wholesale rates, at the new retail prices.

The action has resulted in a number of protests from the public, but A. W. Farrin, United States Trade Commissioner, reports that the dissatisfaction is not nearly as great as when the Government insured the supply of sugar to the jam and confectionery dealers at a time when the public could not obtain it.

It is estimated that the value of the sugar lands in Queensland and New South Wales is \$27,000,000 and that the capital invested in raw sugar mills and machinery is \$21,870,000. In Queensland 14,500 people are employed in the sugar industry, exclusive of those in the mills, which is estimated at 6,600 for the whole Commonwealth. A cane cutter earns about \$6.55 a day. Approximately 170,000 acres are now under cane of a possible 500,000 acres. The maximum possible annual production is placed at 500,000 ton, which was most nearly reached in 1917, when 314,000 tons were produced. The possible yield of by-products was estimated, on a basis of a production of 220,000 tons, as 8,800,000 gallons of molasses, which should produce 3,520,000 gallons of commercial alcohol.

CUBAN SUGAR COMMITTEE REFUSES PRICE OF 18¼ CENTS A POUND.

The committee recently appointed at Havana to act as a selling agency for Cuban sugar interests has refused offers of 18¼ cents per pound for the Cuban product. In making known this fact on July 8, Salvatore del Valle, a member of the committee denied that that body had offered any sugar for sale.

Present prices would be ruinous, he said, (quoting the press dispatches of July 9 from Havana) because liquidation with cane growers had been made on a higher basis. Sale of the remainder of the Cuban crop at 20 cents per pound would make the average for the entire crop but 11 cents, he asserted.

The Cuban sugar sales committee has exclusive authority to sell or withhold from the market all sugar owned by those represented on the committee.

The committee, as noted in these columns, July 3, page 33, was appointed June 29.

MORE AMERICAN WOOLEN MILLS CLOSED.

Mills employing several thousand operatives throughout New England and in New York State were closed down by the American Woolen Company July 9. Only three of the company's mills remain open.

These will close early in August, it is expected. They are the Puritan Mills, at Plymouth; the Beoli Mill, at Fitchburg, and

the Globe Mill, at Utica, N. Y. Addressing superintendents and overseers of the American Woolen Mills on July 15, President William M. Wood declared that while there is need for every yard of cloth that can be produced in the mills of the company it is impossible to obtain orders. Mr. Wood, who conferred with the men at his home in Andover, Mass., said he could not predict when the mills would re-open. On the same day (i. e. July 15) it was announced at Boston that Charles H. Adams, of the Commission on the Necessaries of Life, had gone to Lawrence to investigate the closing of the woolen mills there.

He would, at the same time, it was said, look into the business of retail stores in that city, in an effort to determine if the closing of the mills, with consequent wage curtailments, had resulted in price changes. Regarding the causes and effects of the shutdown on July 9, advices of the following day from Boston to the N. Y. "Times" said:

The big shutdown announced overnight by the American Woolen Company did not take the trade by surprise today. Under conditions as they are and have been for months, the storehouses are declared to be jammed with manufactured products as the result of inability to make freight shipments.

The only surprise here is over the circumstance that the shutdown was not announced earlier. The fact that it is for an indefinite period is taken to mean that President Wood sees no immediate prospect of a clearing up of the freight situation.

While none of the other big mill companies has given any notice of closing down, such notice by them is regarded as inevitable, as it is not believed that they can be in any better position than the American Woolen Company. Some few may have enough special orders in hand to warrant running for a short period, but once those are out of the way, it is said, idleness is practically certain.

Opinion here today is that the mills will stay closed, barring unexpected favorable developments, until October and possibly November. Observers see in the lay-off of thousands of employees at least one ray of sunshine, in that it is believed that millhands, after several months of idleness without the fat weekly pay envelope, will be less clamorous about shorter hours and increased wages, and more inclined to give some thought to the mill owners' side of the question of income and outgo.

Those persons who are confident of a Republican success at the polls this Fall expect that success to inaugurate a trade boom that will soon erase all memories of the shutdown and the consequent loss of earnings. They look to the boom to start "four good years," and possibly eight, of real prosperity for the trade.

For the thousands thrown out of work the problem seems not to be as serious as first glance would indicate. Many have been thrifty during the era of high wages and are now in a position to take a vacation either in the United States or by a trip with their families to homelands abroad, and many are doing this, as is shown by the big increase in passports issued.

The less fortunate are not finding it particularly difficult to connect with other jobs, not so lucrative perhaps as their mill work has been of late, but nevertheless paying a living wage, which will keep them going until the mills resume.

DEFEAT OF PLAN FOR AUSTRALIAN WOOL CONTROL.

Concerning the future of the plan for the Government control of wool in Australia, the "Journal of Commerce" on June 19, said:

The Australian Commissioner in the United States, Mark Sheldon, announced yesterday the receipt of advices from Australia stating that the Prime Minister's wool control scheme was defeated by a poll of the wool growers of the Commonwealth, although 18,480 ballots were cast for it and 6,200 against it. The figures did not give the necessary majority of three-fourths. The scheme provided:

1. No export of the 1920-21 clip from Australia prior to Oct. 1 1920.
2. No auction sales in London after Sept. 30 1920, until May 1 1921.
3. The earliest notification of this to be given, so that buyers will know that Australian wool may be procurable in Australia between the dates mentioned.

4. No auction sales of wool to be held in Australia until Oct. 1 1920. From this date on Australian wool brokers would auction the 1920-21 clip on owners' account and proceed with the auctions without interruption up to May 1 1921, from which date onward normal conditions would prevail. It is expected the British Government would then resume selling its left-over wool, and auctions could be held concurrently in Australia of any small quantity that might then be left of the 1920-21 clip.

The various bodies interested in the wool situation are considering the result of the poll, but although the vote in favor of the scheme closely approximates the percentage required, the Australian Wool Council considers that the total number of votes polled does not justify it in seeking statutory powers from the Commonwealth Government to carry the scheme into effect.

The following details of the Australian wool clips supplied to the British Government have been made available:

For the year ended Mar. 31 1918, Australian and New Zealand wool, 800,000 bales; for 1919, 900,000 bales.

The amount allocated directly to traders at the issue prices, fixed for April 1919, was 55,000 bales. The quantity of wool sold by the British Government at auction since the auctions were resumed in April 1919, until December 1919, was 1,030,000 bales.

The estimated number of bales and descriptions of wool remaining in Australia on April 26 1920, were:

Merinos.—1917-18, nil; 1918-19, 3,667 bales combing, 708 bales clothing and 803 bales carbonizing; 1919-20, 387,511 bales combing, 91,805 bales clothing and 6,353 bales carbonizing. Total, 552,047 bales.

Crossbreds.—1917-18, 6,839 bales combing; 1918-19, 69,022 bales combing, 32,833 bales clothing and 7,684 bales carbonizing; 1919-20, 467,895 bales combing, 42,029 bales clothing and 63,556 bales carbonizing. Total, 758,851 bales.

In addition, arrangements have been made for the shipment of 181,635 bales, making a grand total of 1,492,533 bales.

The Commonwealth Bureau of Commerce and Industry has prepared a series of suggestions for establishing the Australian wool manufacturing industry on a permanent and scientific basis. Although there are difficulties to be overcome, there is no real obstacle in the way of the greater part of

Australia's clip being treated and turned into woolen goods in Australia. To establish woolen mills on such a scale as would enable them to handle the Australian clip will, it is estimated, take ten to fifteen years; but the accomplishment of this objective depends upon the proper organization and co-operation of wool growers, woolen manufacturers and the Government and people. Technical schools for training of operatives and the manufacture of machinery are as essential as effective organization. To treat 200,000,000 pounds of greasy wool, or one-third of the clip, and turn it into worsted and woolens of all kinds would require £15,850,000. At present, approximately 80,000 wool growers are supplying wool to the Central Wool Committee; £200 from each of them would, on a sheep-head basis, amount to £16,000,000. The woolen mills already established in Australia are being worked most successfully, and if the ambitious project of treating our own wool could be realized an immense impetus would be given to kindred industries.

WOOL WAREHOUSE REGULATIONS PROMULGATED.

Regulations for wool warehouses under the United States Warehouse Act recently approved by the Secretary of Agriculture are now ready for distribution by the United States Department of Agriculture. The Department in its announcement regarding this, issued July 13, said:

The Act, which is not mandatory, was enacted with a view to bringing about the uniformity of warehouse receipts and making them of the highest collateral value. Such receipts, readily negotiable and generally acceptable as security for loans on wool, will be of definite assistance in financing. They will be issued by warehouses storing wool that will become licensed by and bonded to the Government under the Act.

Because the Act is entirely permissive in its nature, warehousemen will be licensed only upon their application to the Secretary of Agriculture.

By becoming members of the Federal Warehousing System, warehouses acquire a better standing, are more highly regarded by bankers and depositors, and the added confidence so created serves to attract additional business of the more substantial and desirable kind. The benefits of coming into the system are numerous.

Parties interested in becoming licensed and in obtaining the advantages to be secured thereby should address inquiries to the Chief of the Bureau of Markets, Department of Agriculture, Washington, D. C.

MEAT PACKERS AND SUGAR COMPANY INDICTED IN BOSTON FOR PROFITEERING.

Indictments charging profiteering in food against E. C. Swift & Co., N. E. Hollis & Co. and Armour & Co., meat packers, were returned on July 7 by a Federal Grand Jury at Boston. The Independent Sugar Co. of Boston also was indicted for alleged profiteering on the same date. These indictments, according to press dispatches from Boston, are the first to be returned in New England by a Federal Grand Jury for food profiteering. The Swift indictment charges that 17 cents a pound was received for beef which cost the corporation only 10½ cents a pound, yielding a net profit of 6½¢. The Armour Company, it is charged, sold New Zealand lamb, which cost 9 and a fraction cents, for 25½ cents a pound. The Hollis Company, according to the indictment, charged 18 cents for beef which cost only 10½ cents a pound. The indictment against the Independent Sugar Co. charges that the corporation sold for 24.2 cents sugar which cost it 16 cents a pound.

BUSINESS INTERESTS OF NEW YORK DENY MOVEMENT AGAINST LABOR UNIONS.

Charges that several of the large industrial corporations and the railroads had created a fund "to break the organized labor movement in the United States" were denied on July 9. The charges, made on July 8 at Washington by officials of the American Federation of Labor, named the United States Steel Corporation, the Standard Oil interests and four railroads entering New York, namely the New York Central, Central Railroad of New Jersey, Pennsylvania and Lehigh Valley, as having already contributed to the fund, which, it was claimed, while nominally \$5,000,000, would eventually reach into many times that total should the need arise.

Among those who denied the charges were Presidents A. H. Smith of the New York Central, E. E. Loomis of the Lehigh Valley, William G. Besler of the Central Railroad of New Jersey, Judge Elbert H. Gary of the United States Steel Corporation, A. C. Bedford, Chairman of the Board of Directors of the Standard Oil Company of New Jersey, and the Citizens' Transportation Committee, recently organized by the commercial organizations of New York to relieve the local transportation tie-up brought about chiefly by union boycotts.

The denials issued by the railroad presidents and others against whom the charges of the labor leaders were directed, appeared in the New York "Tribune" of July 10 in part as follows:

Mr. Smith said:

"I have read with interest in one of the morning newspapers a story from Washington, attributing to Frank Morrison, of the American Federation of Labor, the statement that a fund of \$5,000,000 has been raised by organized business interests to combat organized labor and spread the doctrine of the open shop. Four railroad officials, including myself, are named by Mr. Morrison as having sat with the Citizens' Transportation Committee in a discussion of the coming fight and with having underwritten the \$5,000,000. "If this story is no truer in other respects than in its reference to me it is

entirely imaginative. I have not underwritten any fund of \$5,000,000. I have not attended any meeting, anywhere, where such a proposal was even discussed. I did not sit with the Citizens' Transportation Committee, nor have I heard that committee or any one else talk about a fund to fight labor. I am kept busy helping to run a railroad.

"Such false reports, printed without any effort to determine the truthfulness by inquiry among those mentioned, cause unrest, suspicion and discontent at a time when the country needs the utmost confidence and co-operation."

The following statement was issued at the office of W. G. Besler, President of the New Jersey Central, in his absence from the city:

"Mr. Besler has never been connected with any fund to fight organized labor that lived up to its contracts. I am satisfied if he had seen that article in the paper he would have been as much amazed as we were. Our employees have been organized for years, and Mr. Besler has always dealt with them on the basis of amity and co-operation."

Mr. Loomis issued the following signed statement:

"Neither the Lehigh Valley nor I personally have underwritten or made any contribution to any fund to be used in opposing labor organizations. Aside from this, I can only say that I am and always have been in favor of an open shop. Under the closed shop system the labor leaders alone are permitted freedom of action. Men may organize if they care to, and I am not opposed to unions which fulfil their contracts, but I firmly believe that every man has the right to say for himself whether or not he will be a member of a union, and that the fact that he is not a member should be no bar to his right to work."

Judge Gary said:

"There is no foundation for the statement. We have made no contribution whatever."

Mr. Bedford, for the Standard Oil Co., said:

"This company has neither directly nor indirectly contributed one dollar toward any such fund, and, so far from lending any encouragement, it is not aware of the existence of any organization of manufacturers, or others, designed to combat trades unionism.

"We are able to claim a great measure of success in co-operating with our employees through our industrial representation plan, which permits of the widest freedom on the part of the employees in advancing their individual and collective interests, and the basis of that plan is as stated at its inauguration: 'No discrimination is to be made on account of membership or non-membership in any church, society, fraternity or union.'"

In the absence of William Fellowes Morgan, Chairman of the Citizens' Transportation Committee, Walter Gordon Merritt, counsel for the committee, said:

"There is not a scintilla of truth in any of these statements. Neither the Standard Oil Company nor the United States Steel Corporation has contributed a penny to the committee's campaign. Our movement is non-partisan in its character and is being conducted by a committee composed both of Republicans and Democrats, and charges to the contrary are obviously designed to promote political interests."

In a statement on July 9, Frank Morrison, Secretary of the American Federation of Labor, said:

Among certain large employing interests there is a stronger opposition to organized labor since the time the late David I. Parry was President of the National Manufacturers' Association, and the late Charles Post head of the Citizens' Alliance. The so-called open shop has been supplanted, especially in the West and Middle West, by the "American Plan," the same thing with a new name. In both the theory of individual bargaining is stressed. As the trade union movement rests on the theory of collective bargaining, the issue is a clear-cut contest between trade unionism and those employers who insist on the absolute right to set the hours, wages and working conditions of their employees.

Samuel Gompers, President of the Federation of Labor, received on July 10 an appeal for immediate action against the alleged campaign to force the open shop on labor. The appeal was made in a telegram formulated at a meeting of the Central Federated Union of Greater New York July 9. It urged support for striking harbor, boatmen, longshoremen and other strikers in this port as the first move in the counter attack on the business interests. The telegram read:

The Central Federated Union of Greater New York in regular meeting assembled unanimously endorsed the struggle of the marine workers' affiliation. The chambers of commerce of all cities are combined with others large interests to destroy these unions and all other unions. The railroads are in this combination and if this conspiracy succeeds against the marine workers' affiliation in a short time the great business interests will try to annihilate all organized labor. We urge you to immediately take such action as will demonstrate the solidarity of labor and defeat the schemes and plans of our enemies.

The telegram was signed by Ernest Bohm, Secretary of the C. F. U.

PRICE OF CRUDE OIL ADVANCED 12 CENTS A BARREL BY STANDARD OIL CO. OF CALIFORNIA.

The Standard Oil Co. of California, one of the largest oil producers on the Pacific Coast, increased its price for crude oil on July 10 twelve cents a barrel in all fields. This advance, says the "Wall Street Journal" (July 12) "is the result of the increasing consumption of petroleum products on the Pacific Coast, resulting in a steady decline in stocks." The paper quoted continued as follows:

There were 25,772,000 barrels of crude on hand at California refineries on April 30 1920, compared with 29,142,000 barrels at the beginning of the year, and 57,000,000 on Jan. 1 1916.

In recent months the drain on kerosene stocks has been large. At the end of April there were 8,511,616 gallons, the lowest figure in more than a year. On Dec. 31 1919 there were 12,921,433 gallons on hand, while the high mark for stocks was 21,549,590 gallons, in September 1919. California refineries supply a large amount of kerosene for shipment to the Orient, besides meeting large domestic requirements.

FOREIGN HOLDINGS OF U. S. STEEL CORPORATION.

The foreign holdings of shares of the United States Steel Corporation have undergone further reduction since our reference to the figures of March 31 last, in the "Chronicle" of April 17, page 1599. The figures for June 30 1920 are now available, and these show the foreign holdings of common stock as being 342,567 shares, compared with 348,036

on March 31 1920 and 368,895 on Dec. 31 1919. In the case of the preferred stock the foreign holdings at the end of last month were 124,346 shares, whereas, on March 31 1920 the preferred stock holdings abroad were 127,562 shares, while on Dec. 31 1919 they aggregated 138,566 shares. As we have on numerous occasions pointed out, the shrinkage in foreign holdings, compared with the period before the war, is very striking; while in the case of the common stock, the foreign holdings are now 342,567, on March 31 1914 they aggregated 1,285,636 shares; the foreign holdings of preferred stock, now at 124,346, compare with 312,311 shares on March 31 1914. Below we furnish a detailed statement of the foreign holdings at various dates since Dec. 31 1915 to the latest period.

FOREIGN HOLDINGS OF SHARES OF U. S. STEEL CORPORATION.

Common Stock—	June 30 1920.	Dec. 31 1919.	Dec. 31 1918.	Dec. 31 1917.	Dec. 31 1916.	Dec. 31 1915.
Africa	91	89	75	23	15	5
Algeria	---	---	---	---	---	150
Argentina	73	78	64	43	34	23
Australia	87	80	36	30	23	38
Austria-Hungary	2,890	2,888	2,887	472	472	532
Belgium	2,205	2,689	2,629	2,625	2,625	2,639
Bermuda	84	84	107	97	95	95
Brazil	54	80	48	7	7	7
British India	---	---	---	38	24	24
Canada	31,615	35,686	45,613	41,639	31,662	38,011
Central America	33	36	15	1	78	235
Chile	140	118	80	30	18	11
China	100	73	28	79	10	13
Denmark	16	26	876	---	---	---
England	163,560	166,387	172,453	173,074	192,250	355,088
France	22,641	28,607	29,700	30,059	34,328	50,193
Germany	1,019	959	891	612	628	1,178
Gibraltar	---	---	---	---	---	---
Holland	111,238	124,558	229,285	229,185	234,365	238,617
India	69	59	69	---	---	---
Ireland	165	160	19	19	914	1,730
Italy	240	281	281	281	279	280
Japan	55	55	45	---	---	---
Java	12	8	4	---	---	---
Malta	40	40	40	75	75	75
Mexico	167	165	153	154	140	250
Norway	20	23	20	20	20	20
Peru	---	---	---	---	1	3
Portugal	---	---	---	---	---	---
Russia	---	---	---	---	---	---
Scotland	126	125	76	75	482	3,435
Serbia	8	---	---	---	---	---
Spain	455	555	549	300	510	800
Sweden	102	70	80	64	68	13
Switzerland	1,860	1,649	1,292	1,442	1,512	1,267
Turkey	---	---	---	---	---	16
Uruguay	---	---	10	10	---	---
Wales	42	39	30	30	45	315
West Indies	3,360	3,228	4,049	3,690	1,952	1,568
Total	342,567	368,895	491,580	484,190	502,632	696,631

Preferred Stock—	June 30 1920.	Dec. 31 1919.	Dec. 31 1918.	Dec. 31 1917.	Dec. 31 1916.	Dec. 31 1915.
Africa	67	70	34	9	44	55
Algeria	---	---	---	105	105	75
Argentina	15	15	15	19	24	18
Australia	114	104	73	379	379	403
Austria-Hungary	2,466	2,463	2,463	683	3,683	3,483
Azores	120	120	120	120	120	120
Belgium	24	314	314	331	339	341
Bermuda	343	343	120	53	25	25
Brazil	84	84	84	84	82	16
British India	---	---	---	352	354	119
Canada	33,998	36,830	42,073	36,201	35,876	36,453
Central America	9	9	1	---	33	237
Chile	25	25	27	23	23	24
China	107	105	105	50	50	57
Colombia	---	55	55	30	30	30
Denmark	78	78	78	178	140	140
Egypt	35	35	---	---	---	40
England	34,092	37,703	37,936	39,779	50,429	147,453
France	18,611	23,663	25,896	25,763	27,863	32,524
Germany	3,681	3,796	3,865	862	935	1,330
Greece	64	65	65	65	38	38
Holland	21,819	23,094	25,264	25,274	25,384	26,494
India	302	302	352	---	---	---
Ireland	415	318	315	450	826	3,929
Italy	2,113	2,087	1,979	2,028	2,185	2,148
Japan	1	1	1	61	61	61
Luxemburg	23	23	23	15	15	15
Malta	50	50	245	405	405	405
Mexico	7	7	7	6	16	16
Morocco	---	---	---	---	---	---
Norway	25	28	26	26	31	27
Peru	6	6	6	6	6	6
Portugal	---	---	---	---	---	---
Russia	12	12	11	7	7	33
Scotland	171	171	229	252	734	12,256
Serbia	---	---	---	220	220	220
Spain	1,260	1,270	1,300	880	710	421
Sweden	233	1,370	1,156	1,136	1,136	1,130
Switzerland	2,810	2,672	2,707	2,848	3,043	2,695
Turkey	100	100	100	100	100	100
Wales	33	33	49	24	45	788
West Indies	1,033	1,145	1,131	1,259	1,952	863
Total	124,346	138,566	148,225	140,077	156,412	274,588

COMMON.			PREFERRED.		
Date	Shares.	PerCent.	Date	Shares.	PerCent.
Mar. 31 1914	1,285,636	25.29	Mar. 31 1914	312,311	8.67
June 30 1914	1,274,247	25.07	June 30 1914	312,832	8.68
Dec. 31 1914	1,193,064	23.47	Dec. 31 1914	309,457	8.59
Mar. 31 1915	1,130,209	22.23	Mar. 31 1915	308,005	8.55
June 30 1915	957,587	18.84	June 30 1915	303,070	8.41
Sept. 30 1915	826,833	16.27	Sept. 30 1915	297,691	8.26
Dec. 31 1915	696,631	13.70	Dec. 31 1915	274,588	7.62
Mar. 31 1916	634,469	12.48	Mar. 31 1916	262,091	7.27
Sept. 30 1916	537,809	10.58	Sept. 30 1916	171,096	4.75
Dec. 31 1916	502,632	9.89	Dec. 31 1916	156,412	4.34
Mar. 31 1917	494,338	9.72	Mar. 31 1917	151,757	4.21
June 30 1917	481,342	9.45	June 30 1917	142,226	3.94
Sept. 30 1917	477,109	9.39	Sept. 30 1917	140,039	3.69
Dec. 31 1917	484,190	9.52	Dec. 31 1917	140,077	3.88
Mar. 31 1918	485,706	9.56	Mar. 31 1918	140,198	3.90
June 30 1918	491,464	9.66	June 30 1918	149,032	4.13
Sept. 30 1918	495,009	9.73	Sept. 30 1918	147,845	4.10
Dec. 31 1918	491,580	9.68	Dec. 31 1918	148,225	4.11
Mar. 31 1919	493,552	9.71	Mar. 31 1919	149,832	4.16
June 30 1919	465,434	9.15	June 30 1919	146,478	4.07
Sept. 30 1919	394,543	7.76	Sept. 30 1919	143,840	3.99
Dec. 31 1919	368,895	7.26	Dec. 31 1919	138,566	3.84
Mar. 31 1920	348,036	6.84	Mar. 31 1920	127,562	3.54
June 30 1920	342,567	6.74	June 30 1920	124,346	3.46

In the following table is shown the number of shares of the Steel Corporation distributed as between brokers and investors, on March 31 and June 30 1920:

	June 30 1920.	Ratio.	March 31 1920.	R.to
Common—				
Brokers, domestic and foreign	1,631,406	32.09	1,700,560	33.46
Investors, domestic and foreign	3,451,619	67.91	3,382,465	66.54
Preferred—				
Brokers, domestic and foreign	276,743	7.68	284,102	7.88
Investors, domestic and foreign	3,326,068	92.32	3,318,709	92.12

The following is of interest as it shows the holdings of brokers and investors in New York State:

	June 30 1920.	Ratio.	March 31 1920.	Rati
Common—				
Brokers, domestic and foreign	1,313,269	25.83	1,381,082	27.17
Investors, domestic and foreign	1,277,423	25.13	1,263,691	24.86
Preferred—				
Brokers, domestic and foreign	227,113	6.30	234,822	6.52
Investors, domestic and foreign	1,480,167	41.08	1,495,302	41.50

COMPARISON OF EMPLOYMENT AND WAGES IN SELECTED INDUSTRIES IN APRIL 1919 AND APRIL 1920.

Details of reports concerning the volume of employment in April 1920 from representative establishments in 13 manufacturing industries, received and tabulated by the Bureau of Labor Statistics of the U. S. Department of Labor, have recently been made public. Comparing the figures of April 1920 with those of identical establishments for April 1919, the Bureau announces that in 11 industries there was an increase in the number of persons employed, while in 2 there was a decrease. The largest increase, 58.7%, is shown in men's ready-made clothing, and the greatest decreases—5.8% and 4.6%—appear in car building and repairing and in cigar manufacturing, respectively. The Bureau gives the following further data regarding the reports:

All of the 13 industries show an increase in the total amount of the pay-roll for April 1920 as compared with April 1919. The most important percentage increases—151.2, 90.7 and 81.1—appear in men's ready-made clothing, woolen and hosiery and underwear, respectively. The big increases over last year's figures are not entirely due to a rise in volume of employment, but largely to a recuperation of the industries from the decline suffered last year.

Comparison of Employment in Identical Establishments in April 1919 and April 1920.

Industry.	No. of Estab-lish-ments	Period.	Number on Pay-Roll.			Amount of Pay-Roll.		
			April 1919.	April 1920.	% of Inc. or Dec.	April 1919.	April 1920.	% of Inc. or Dec.
Iron and steel	109	½ mo.	157,237	172,487	+9.7	\$9,985,239	12,678,325	+27.0
Automobiles	39	1 week	106,337	136,429	+28.3	3,088,919	4,524,146	+46.5
Car building and repairing	37	½ mo.	44,530	41,964	-5.8	2,427,945	2,579,701	+6.3
Cotton manufac'g	52	1 week	45,724	51,754	+13.2	683,897	1,080,590	+58.0
Cotton finishing	11	"	6,043	7,033	+16.4	106,528	153,815	+44.4
Hosiery & under-wear	65	"	29,499	35,092	+19.0	399,824	724,143	+81.1
Woolen	51	"	37,010	51,713	+39.7	683,212	1,302,990	+90.7
Silk	47	2 wks.	15,171	16,303	+7.5	527,618	746,833	+41.5
Men's clothing	45	1 week	21,677	34,406	+58.7	464,206	1,165,865	+151.2
Leather manuf'g.	32	"	15,914	17,070	+7.3	344,649	449,760	+30.5
Boots and shoes	64	"	52,267	58,788	+12.5	1,028,868	1,491,302	+44.9
Paper making	57	"	28,316	32,740	+15.6	585,531	882,274	+50.7
Cigars	51	"	17,183	16,394	-4.6	262,210	342,059	+30.5

Comparative data for April 1920 and March 1920 appear in the following table. The figures show that in 6 industries there was an increase in the number of persons on the payroll in April as compared with March, and in 7 a decrease.

The largest increase in the number of people employed appears in car building and repairing—4.2%; and men's ready-made clothing—2.8%. Percentage decreases of 3.4% and 2.3% appear in leather manufacturing and cotton finishing, while both automobile manufacturing and boots and shoes show a decrease of 1.7%.

In comparing April 1920 with March of this year, 5 industries show an increase in the amount of money paid to employees and 8 a decrease. The most important increase is one of 4.9% in hosiery and underwear, while car building and repairing shows an increase of 1.1%. The greatest decreases are: 5.9% in iron and steel; 4.7% in cigar manufacturing; 4.0% in leather manufacturing; and 3.9% in automobile manufacturing. April production was somewhat curtailed because of the railroad strike.

Comparison of Employment in Identical Establishments in March and April 1920.

Industry—	No. of Estab-lish-ments	Period.	Number on Pay-Roll.			Amount of Pay-Roll.		
			March 1920.	April 1920.	% of Inc. or Dec.	March 1920.	April 1920.	% of Inc. or Dec.
Iron and steel	111	½ mo.	175,200	173,822	-0.8	\$13,592,304	\$12,784,705	-5.9
Automobiles	38	1 week	130,716	128,445	-1.7	4,417,822	4,246,399	-3.9
Car building and repairing	34	½ mo.	36,140	37,666	+4.2	2,291,280	2,316,090	+1.1
Cotton manufac'g.	53	1 week	53,768	53,186	-1.1	1,123,201	1,124,826	+0.1
Cotton finishing	10	"	6,961	6,802	-2.3	149,716	147,846	-1.3
Hosiery and under-wear	65	"	33,844	34,184	+1.0	670,980	704,159	+4.9
Woolen	51	"	51,692	51,713	(+)	1,294,643	1,302,990	+0.6
Silk	47	2 wks.	16,193	16,303	+0.7	762,554	746,833	-2.1
Men's clothing	48	1 week	34,036	35,004	+2.8	1,199,312	1,182,988	-1.4
Leather manufac'g.	32	"	17,669	17,070	-3.4	468,315	449,760	-4.0
Boots and shoes	63	"	59,621	58,622	-1.7	1,483,694	1,488,626	+0.3
Paper	56	"	31,866	31,667	-0.6	853,730	852,812	-0.1
Cigars	51	"	16,934	16,998	+0.4	369,768	352,314	-4.7

† Increase of less than 1%.

REPORT TO GOVERNORS OF NEW ENGLAND SA YES COAL OPERATORS MAKE GREAT PROFITS IN EXPORT TRADE.

Coal operators in the United States are making enormous profits by giving preference to export trade, according to a report made to the Governors of the New England States on

July 10 by Lieutenant Governors, public utilities commissioners, fuel administrators and other representatives who recently conferred on the coal situation with the Interstate Commerce Commission.

A summary of the report to the New England Governors was given in press dispatches of July 10 from Boston as follows:

New England consumers, who have been crowded off the Hampton Roads Piers since April 1, have no other place to go for their coal except to the Pennsylvania field," the investigators declared. They said New England must have 25,000,000 tons of bituminous coal during the year from April, 1920, to April, 1921, assuming a Winter without abnormal cold.

Up to July 1, only 4,650,000 tons had been received, indicating a shortage for the year of 6,400,000 tons. Such a shortage, the Governors were informed, would force New England factories to run on half time, probably beginning with the early Fall and through the Winter.

Criticizing alleged "propoganda activities" of the National Coal Association, the report also referred to an order of the Interstate Commerce Commission of June 19, intended to relieve the situation in New England, but which was subsequently modified.

"We believe," it continued, "that the instant the Interstate Commerce Commission granted to New England the order of June 19, which looked as though it might interfere with the present excessive and hugely profitable exports, the false and misleading impression was sown broadcast in other parts of the country that the New England States were trying to injure them by taking coal away from these other sections, whereas we were asking for an order the working of which would have been a benefit to them as well as to New England.

"The President of the National Coal Association in his annual address at Atlantic City on May 25, 1920, stated that 'Uncle Sam must be pried out of the coal business.'

"We favor a minimum of Government control consistent with the protection of our citizens," the report said in comment, "and if the Coal Operators' Association had been playing fair with the American people, they might be entitled to succeed in their effort, but their selfish course seems to us to make it necessary for Uncle Sam, who has been trying to get out of the coal business, to go back into it, at least to the extent necessary to protect the people of this country."

It was charged that "the National Coal Association had been endeavoring to aid its members to hide from Uncle Sam the tremendous profits which they have been making in the sale of coal for both domestic and foreign purposes."

The report termed present coal prices exorbitant and declared that public utilities within the last week had been obliged to buy coal at from \$18 to \$23 a ton, while "contracts made earlier in the year at lower prices are not being carried out."

A cargo of coal afloat in Boston Harbor sold last week for \$23 a ton, it was stated, whereas before the war a fair price for such a cargo was \$4.50 a ton.

The report also declared that "the word has been passed around among the coal operators that, if the Attorney General should show an interest in their abnormal profits, they will be in a stronger or safelegal position if they let American citizens go without their coal and profiteer on the foreigners."

"It has been reported to us more than once," the investigations concluded, "that mine operators offering coal for export and bid their asking price have refused to let it go when told it was taken for an American coastwise port."

WHOLESALE COAL ASSOCIATION SEES NO COAL SHORTAGE IMMINENT—VIEWS OF COAL OPERATORS.

Widely divergent opinions as to the prospects of a coal shortage in this country have been voiced recently by men in different branches of the coal industry.

George H. Cushing, managing director of the American Wholesale Coal Dealers' Association, declares the American people are panic-stricken without reason over the supply of coal. "I want to challenge that panic," said Mr. Cushing, in a statement on July 8, "to come out into the open and justify its existence." "Of course," he says, "prices have risen—in the open market—to the highest level in peace times in history. However, there is no shortage of coal. There is no danger of any such shortage." The people, in Mr. Cushing's opinion, "are in real need of protection from their friends." Mr. Cushing, on July 9, appeared before the Interstate Commerce Commission at its hearing on the advisability of modifying its order (issued in June) requiring preference be given coal mines, east of the Mississippi River in the assignment of open top cars. He urged withdrawal of the order. Some witnesses said the country was experiencing the worst coal shortage in its history, while others, according to the press dispatches, declared with equal finality that there was no shortage.

The Commission was asked both to modify its order, originally issued for a 30-day period ending July 21, and also to make the order more drastic and continue it for longer than 30 days. (The order, as noted elsewhere in these columns today, has been extended by the Commission).

The plea for modification of the order was made to the Commerce Commission by several representatives of glass manufacturers, industries and producers, road and housing contractors. They asked permission to share the car supply with the coal mines.

Agents of public utilities, scattered throughout the east half of the country, also asked that preferential treatment be given their companies so that a winter stock might be accumulated in the next few months. Their contention that a coal shortage existed was the opposite of the testimony given by Mr. Cushing, who said present production was equaling consumption. Mr.

Cushing expressed the opinion that a fair price for coal at the mine should be \$5.50 a ton, and John Moore, representing the Ohio miners, added that with an adequate car supply the cost would fall to \$4. Mr. Moore did not agree with Mr. Cushing as to the available supply. Contending that a shortage existed, he urged extension after July 21 of the preference order for cars to the mines. "Give the miners cars for another month or six weeks," said Mr. Moore, "and coal will not be \$6.50 or \$7.25 a ton at the mines, but down to \$4, where it ought to be."

In the course of the hearing on July 9 Chairman Clark read into the record a letter, written on the stationery of the Reeves Coal & Dock Company, of Minneapolis, offering to sell coal, already on the cars and in transit, for \$13 a ton. Mr. Cushing, asked his opinion regarding such prices, replied: "That's a matter for the Department of Justice."

J. D. A. Morrow, vice president of the National Coal Association, as spokesman for 2,100 bituminous coal operators throughout the country appeared before the Commerce Commission on July 10. He opposed the effort of sand, gravel and other shippers to have the Commission modify or rescind its order No. 7, giving a 30-day priority to open top cars at bituminous coal mines. In beginning his narrative, he declared there was "no foundation" for statements made by George H. Cushing, who had testified the preceding day that there was no coal shortage and that the present situation with its attending high prices is due in large part to the "agitation" of the Federal Government.

George H. Cushing, in his statement of July 8 on the coal situation (referred to further above) admitted that "the rise in price has been truly phenomenal; but," he contended, "eight Governmental agencies—to say nothing of the Department of Justice—have been preaching famine and creating panic for eight months." Mr. Cushing's statement presented an interesting analysis of the existing condition, in the light of "too much Governmental agitation." It said:

In the matter of both coal supply and prices, the people are in real need of protection from their friends. They have been told practically every day for eight months that the worst shortage of coal in history is imminent. Those who need coal have been thrown into a panic.

Today they are frantically bidding against each other in every market. Some even will sign blank checks and allow the coal men to fill in any amount which satisfies him. Of course, prices have risen—in the open market—to the highest level in peace times in history.

However, there is no shortage of coal. There is no danger of any such shortage. Therefore, there is a reason, but no excuse, for the current high prices—in the open market. The reason is that we have had too much Governmental agitation of the danger of a famine.

The fact is that since Nov. 1, 1919—eight months—there has not been a day or even an hour when some Governmental agency was not agitating about coal and predicting a coal famine.

President's Coal Action Cited.

Specifically, the President assumed control of coal on the first of last November and returned the Fuel Administrator to power. He appointed the Central Coal Committee, which retained control of coal distribution to the end of March, 1920. Thus for five months the nation was on coal rations, implying an impending shortage. It retained control over exports until May, 1920, thus leading the people to believe they were being robbed of coal to benefit Europe.

The President's Coal Committee began work in January, 1920. It had only to arbitrate a labor dispute. It is still here. And its present function is to agitate the coal question to avoid a famine.

Beginning early in April, a sub-committee of the Interstate Commerce Commission of the Senate held hearings which lasted through two months. As every session there were frequent references to a "coal famine." Assertions of such a danger were welcomed.

In May, the President's Coal Committee, the Council of National Defense and the United States Geological Survey—three Governmental agencies—sent out questionnaires as to the coal supply. The effect was still further to raise the specter of a coal famine.

Priority Order of I. C. C. "Capped the Climax."

Then, in June, the Interstate Commerce Commission, declaring that "an emergency exists in coal," issued a priority order with respect to the movement of coal to New England. This capped the climax by saying, in Governmental language, that what had been feared had happened.

Thus, eight Governmental agencies—to say nothing of the Department of Justice—have been preaching famine and creating panic for eight months.

Says People Reacted in Alarm.

The people could react in only one way. They had to believe their officials. If they believed, the only sensible thing for them to do was to buy coal when it could be had, at any price which was asked. The rise in price has been truly phenomenal.

I have investigated nearly every alarmist report. Not one of them will stand scrutiny or analysis. Broadly speaking, the actual facts are that the consumption of bituminous coal for the coal year, April 1, 1920, to March 31, 1921, will not exceed 535,000,000 tons.

Labor Unrest A Factor In Production.

Because of labor unrest everywhere, it is more likely to fall far below than to rise above that figure. But, assuming that it will reach that figure, the demand is for only 10,288,000 tons a week.

The present assumption is—I never heard of it until this year—that unless we reach this average weekly consumption in the early weeks of the coal year, we are rushing headlong into a shortage of coal. That has not been true in twenty-five years.

It is not true this year. The records of the coal trade are that, with the exception of 1917 and 1918—war years—we never reached, in production, a figure equal to the required weekly average production until the middle of August in any year.

Production Ahead of Previous Years.

This year we reached it and passed it in the second week in June. Thus our production is eight weeks ahead of schedule. That doesn't look like an "impending famine."

One alarmist report was that New England had in storage only two days' supply of coal. This week the Geological Survey made public the results of an investigation by the President's Coal Committee. This showed that on May 31 the gas plants of New England had on hand a supply of coal equal to thirty-two days. The electric utilities of New England had on hand a storage supply equal to forty-one days.

The industrial consumers of Maine had forty-five days' supply, New Hampshire thirty-four days', Vermont forty-five, Massachusetts thirty-eight, Rhode Island thirty and Connecticut thirty-two days. The total storage for New England, exclusive of the railroads, was sufficient for thirty-eight days. There is no "impending famine" in those figures.

The same report said that the retail dealers, in addition to tremendous ton-nages moved directly to householders, had in storage amounts of anthracite as follows: Maine, sufficient for thirty-nine days; New Hampshire thirty-two; Vermont thirty, Massachusetts twenty-one, Rhode Island twenty-two and Connecticut (its geographical position is the least dangerous) thirteen days. The retail dealers of New England, as a whole, in addition to tremendous movements to ultimate consumers, had anthracite in storage sufficient to keep them running for twenty-one days.

New Western Shipments Aid Supply.

The shippers via the Great Lakes were reported to be in great danger because the movement in April and May fell behind that of 1919 by 3,252,000 tons. The facts are that Illinois and Indiana have both been shipping heavily by rail, into that same territory. My opinion, based upon inquiry, is that the all rail shipments from Indiana and Illinois have offset the absence of Lake shipments.

My own appeal for information on this subject brought no response. No Governmental agency has shown any interest in developong this vitally important fact.

Another alarmist report was that New York and Chicago had on hand only two days' supply of coal. Any one familiar with the work involved in gathering the data to support such a statement knows that this is merely a wild guess. It is almost an impossible task to compile the facts. Nevertheless, that assertion has not been challenged.

Still another assertion was that the heavy production of coal has been in the Mississippi Valley, while there has been a shortage in the Appalachian District which supplies the East.

"Country is Paying Price Fixed by the Alarmist Reports."

Some dependable figures are now being compiled on that subject. A rough estimate made by good authority does not support the statement that the Eastern field is failing. On the contrary, the figures show the Appalachian field is performing this year about as it has done for fifteen or twenty years.

In fact, no alarmist report can stand in the face of the facts. Even so, the country is paying prices fixed by the alarmist reports, and those reports are most industriously circulated by Governmental agencies.

ATTORNEY-GENERAL ORDERS ACTION AGAINST COAL PROFITEERS.

Declaring that bituminous coal prices at the mines now range from \$7 to \$11 a ton, "with a further increase imminent," Attorney-General Palmer on June 17 sent a telegram to United States District Attorneys throughout the country stating that "this situation demands . . . prompt attention." Mr. Palmer instructed the Federal agents to "seek indictments where investigation discloses that an unreasonable profit has been taken." His action came as a result of compalints to the Department of Justice that soft coal operators were profiteering.

The Attorney-General's telegram read as follows:

To all United States Attorneys:

The department is receiving a number of letters in which compalint is being made that bituminous coal prices at the mines now range from \$7 to \$11 a ton, with a further increase imminent. The writers say that operators are attributing the advanced prices to car shortage and export demand, emphasis being placed upon the export demand.

Production figures gathered by the Federal Trade Commission from 1,589 bituminous coal operators in the principal production regions, mining, roughly about 60 per cent of the annual output, show that during January, 1920, their costs per ton averaged \$2.32 at the mines. Since then there has been an increase of 27 per cent in the cost of labor, enhancing the production cost to \$2.79 per ton. The accuracy of these figures is borne out by information in letters coming to the department from purchasers of coal, from which it appears that prices in May did not greatly exceed those furnished to the Federal Trade Commission for January.

This situation demands the prompt attention of all United States attorneys. Please give special attention to the matter and seek indictments where investigation discloses that an unreasonable profit has been taken, advising the department of the action taken.

Subsequently on June 23 further instructions were sent out by the Department of Justice to U. S. District Attorneys relative to the alleged coal profiteering. In the new instructions District Attorneys are advised that "excuses offered for taking profits which are unreasonably high in comparison with the cost of production are no defense to the charge of profiteering—the purpose of the Lever Act was to prevent taking advantage of such excuses to mulct the public." The text of the memorandum follows:

Department of Justice, Washington, June 23, 1920.

To all United States Attorneys:

PROFITEERING IN COAL.

I quote for your information in connection with recent instructions on this subject the following statement to the press:

"In connection with the recent instructions from Attorney General Palmer to all United States Attorneys to procure the indictments of soft coal operators charging unreasonably high prices for coal, the following statement has been issued by the Department of Justice:

"The instructions referred to were issued because of reports that soft coal was being sold at the mines at prices as high as from \$7 to \$11 per ton and in some instances even higher. The Lever Act, under which the indictments of offending operators are to be obtained, prohibits the taking of an unreasonable profit. An unreasonable profit results when the selling price unreasonably exceeds the cost of production. The cost of production cannot possibly justify the reported prices at the mines, as is shown by the following:

Production cost figures gathered by the Federal Trade Commission from 1,589 bituminous coal operators in the principal production regions, mining roughly about 60 per cent. of the annual output, show that during January, 1920, their costs per ton averaged \$2.32 at the mines. Since then there has been an increase of 27 per cent. in the cost of labor, enhancing the production cost to \$2.79 per ton. During the month of April, when the cost was \$2.79 per ton, operators are reported to have sold their coal for between \$3 and \$4 per ton at the mines. Since then, as above stated, it is reported that their selling prices have been forced as high as from \$7 to \$11 a ton and even higher.

Excuses offered for taking profits which are unreasonably high in comparison with the cost of production are no defense to the charge of profiteering—the purpose of the Lever Act was to prevent taking advantage of such excuses to mulct the public.

Moreover, the public should be advised that the claims of shortage of production, car shortage, and export demands, do not furnish any real excuse for the continuance of the high prices above referred to.

(1) Alleged Shortage of Production. The production of soft coal for the first four months of the present year has exceeded the production for the corresponding period of any recent year, except 1917 and 1918. To quote from the report of the Geological Survey, the governmental agency charged with the collection and compiling of such information, for the week ended May 15, 1920—"The production of bituminous for the first four months of 1920—173,574,000 tons—although smaller than in 1917 and 1918, exceeded both 1919 (138,936,000 tons) and the pre-war years."

(2) Car Shortage. Service orders Nos. 6 and 7 of the Interstate Commerce Commission, dated June 19, 1920, ought to result in an adequate supply of cars for coal for domestic consumption. If there has not heretofore been such a supply. Order No. 7 provided that, for thirty days, beginning June 21, 1920; the railroads should furnish suitable cars to coal mines in preference to any other use, and should discontinue the use of coal cars for other commodities—thus giving the coal mine operators full car service. Order No. 6 made rules for the railroads to follow after June 24, 1920, so as to give preference to transportation of coal for domestic consumption.

By bearing in mind the foregoing points, and by refusing to be influenced by propaganda (which has appeared in certain quarters) into bidding against one another for coal at enormous prices (as is reported to have been done in some cases), consumers of soft coal can help to reduce prices to a reasonable level. Respectfully,

A. MITCHELL PALMER, Attorney General.

INJUNCTION AGAINST GOVERNMENT IN LEVER LAW PROCEEDINGS DENIED BY SUPREME COURT JUSTICE DAY.

Applications for a temporary injunction to restrain the Government from further prosecutions under the Lever Food and Fuel Control Act were recently denied by Associate Justice Day of the U. S. Supreme Court. Hearings on the applications were held at Canton, Ohio, by Justice Day on appeal from the New York court in which the proceedings were instituted against the C. A. Weed Company, retail clothiers, and the Sultzbach Clothing Company, both of Buffalo, N. Y. Both concerns had been indicted on charges of profiteering. The trial of the C. A. Weed Co. on 21 counts alleging profiteering in violation of the Lever Act began July 15 at Jamestown, and the Government then completed its case. The company's defense is said to be that because of its business location and the character of its customers it was entitled to the 100% profit shown in most of the sales cited in the indictment.

The attempt to obtain a stay in the proceedings instituted by the Government had been characterized as "most extraordinary" by Armin W. Riley, Special Assistant to the Attorney-General. Mr. Riley in a statement on June 17 (prior to the decision of Associate Justice Day), said:

The action of those who are behind the move to have Justice Day of the Supreme Court of the United States enter an order which will tie up all proceedings under the Lever act is most extraordinary.

The act has been held valid by all the Federal Judges before whom cases have been brought throughout the country, with only a few exceptions. The act has also been unanimously upheld by the Federal Circuit Court of Appeals in the New York circuit and by the Circuit Court of Appeals in the California circuit.

With all these judicial decisions upholding the act in all the array of cases that have been before the courts of the country it is remarkable that no steps were taken to have the matter fully tested when the Supreme Court was in session, instead of waiting until the adjournment of the court and then selecting one member of the court and asking that member to override the decisions of two Circuit Courts of Appeals, each composed of three Judges, and the great number of Circuit and District Judges who have held the act valid. An effort of this kind under the circumstances is almost revolutionary in its nature.

In addition to this it is remarkable that this effort to defeat the will of the people as expressed by Congress is made only after Congress has adjourned. This means that any technical or legalistic defect cannot be cured by any legislative enactment before December next, when Congress convenes.

Judge Martin T. Manton, who wrote the main opinion of the U. S. Circuit Court of Appeals declaring constitutional the Lever Food and Fuel Control Act, on May 28, fined Weeds, Inc., a men's clothing concern of Binghamton, N. Y., and Gordon H. Smith, its general manager, jointly \$31,000 for conspiracy and profiteering. The verdict was rendered two days after the opinion on the validity of the

law, in the Federal Court at Syracuse, noted further below in a separate article. With reference to Judge Manton's remarks press dispatches of May 28 from Syracuse said:

In passing sentence Judge Manton, who presided over the trial of the case, declared that the only thing which saved Smith from the two-year prison sentence which the law made it possible for the judge to impose, was the fact that he was not financially interested in the business.

The defendants were found guilty on seven counts, the first of which charged a conspiracy between Smith and the corporation in the marking of retail prices so as to exact an excessive profit. This count had twenty-six separate items showing cost prices and sale marks on the goods as found on the counters of the store by agents of the Department of Justice. None of the goods were actually sold. On this count Judge Manton levied a fine of only \$1,000.

The remaining six counts covered sales actually made and a fine of \$5,000 was imposed for each of them.

The charges in these counts were as follows:

The sale of a suit of cloths costing \$20 to J. H. Nelson, of Binghamton, for \$40.

The sale of a suit costing \$12 10 to Dr. S. J. Nunn, of Binghamton, for \$40. The defense disputed the cost price, claiming it was \$21 instead of \$12 10.

The sale of another suit to Dr. Nunn for \$45, the cost price being fixed at \$23 50.

The sale of a suit costing \$17 82 to B. Perder, of Binghamton, for \$45.

The sale of a suit of clothes to A. M. Pierson, of Binghamton, for \$29 50, the cost price of the suit having been \$11 75.

The sale of a suit costing \$32 25 to T. B. Crary, Binghamton millionaire, for \$60.

Another count, charging that eight pairs of socks bought for \$6, were sold to E. W. Mitchell, of Binghamton, for \$12, was not submitted to the jury, Judge Manton refusing to allow the count when it was shown that there was no such sale on January 28, the date named in the indictment.

The Government admitted a mistake, claiming it was a stenographer's error and that the real date of sale was February 28, but Judge Manton ruled the count out.

The fine, as imposed this morning by Judge Manton, is the largest that has been passed in the United States following a conviction for profiteering.

Department of Justice officials here to-day declared the conviction was the second secured against a large and long established concern conducting a prosperous business in the entire country.

Following the imposing of the fine on Weed's Inc., and Mr. Smith here to-day former State Senator Harvey D. Hinman, chief of counsel for the defense, moved for a lighter fine.

Judge Manton denied his claim, pointing out that a \$10,000 fine could have been levied on the first count, it charging conspiracy between the company and Smith and that in addition he could have given Smith two years in jail.

"The fact that Smith has only one share of stock in the corporation, for which he paid no money and which is given him only as a means of making him an officer of the corporation, alone holds the fine on that point down to \$1,000 and saves him from going to prison," said Judge Manton.

"On the other counts the maximum has been imposed and I will not reduce it."

Mr. Hinman then made a motion for a writ of error, to appeal to the circuit Court to have the verdict set aside. He was given ten days in which to file papers and post a bond guaranteeing the payment of the fine.

Less than a week after Judge Manton's verdict in the case of Weeds, Inc., Federal Judge Harland B. Howe, of Burlington, Vt., sitting in Syracuse, June 2, imposed a \$55,000 fine on the John A. Roberts Company of Utica, dealers in wearing apparel, convicted of profiteering. Regarding Judge Howe's action, the press reports from Syracuse had the following to say:

In imposing the fine, the heaviest which the law would permit, Judge Howe said:

"I believe that convicted profiteers should be sent to jail. That would do more than anything else to impress the merchants who are doing business that they must confine themselves to fair and reasonable profits.

"But the defendant being a corporation in this case there can be no prison sentence. I believe it is plainly the duty of the Court to impose the maximum sentence, which is \$5,000 on each count, or a total of \$55,000, and such is the sentence of this Court."

The indictment, as moved against the Roberts Company by Assistant United States Attorney Frank J. Cregg, contained thirteen counts. Of these the jury refused to consider two and returned a verdict of conviction on the eleven.

Ten of the eleven counts on which conviction was reported covered sales which the Government charged were actually made. These sales, as explained by the Government through Department of Justice agents, were:

A dress bought for \$16.75 sold for \$35; a dress bought for \$8.50 sold for \$18.50; a woman's suit bought for \$26.50 sold for \$55; a skirt bought for \$9 sold for \$18.50; a coat bought for \$7.50 sold for \$18.50; a coat bought for \$37.50 sold for \$75; a coat bought for \$27.50 sold for \$55; a fur coat bought for \$125 sold for \$250; a scarf bought for \$6.50 sold for \$25.

The eleventh count on which the company was convicted charged a conspiracy to obtain excessive profits. It quoted a list of 46 articles, giving their cost prices and figures at which the Government asserted they were marked for sale. The marked prices, as introduced in evidence by the Government, were on the average in excess of 100% higher than the cost prices.

The two counts in the indictment, which the jury refused to consider, covered alleged sales. The jury considered that one of these counts was a duplication of another on which a conviction was reported, both articles having the same cost and selling prices. The other count was in regard to the sale of a skirt. The Government failed to identify this skirt in its evidence and the defense proved that the number given to the skirt by the Government actually represented a dress.

LEVER LAW UPHELD BY U. S. CIRCUIT COURT OF APPEALS.

"While a state of war exists Congress may declare that the public interest in the price of food and wearing apparel warrants legislation declaring an unreasonable and unjust rate or charge in handling or dealing in necessities." This statement was contained in an opinion handed down on May 26 by the United States Court of Appeals when the court upheld the constitutionality of the Lever Food and Fuel

Control Act. "Since we are still in a state of war and the war-time emergency has not expired," said Judge Manton in the main opinion, "we are of the opinion that Congress could legislate, as it did, under the authority of its war powers without contravening Article 1, Section 8, Clause 18 of the Constitution, which forbids legislation that deprives the citizen of property without due process of law."

By reason of the fact that much confusion has resulted from conflicting court decisions on the validity of the Lever Act the Supreme Court at Washington on May 26 was asked by the Government to expedite a decision on appeals from Federal court decrees in Colorado holding unconstitutional portions of the act designed to prevent profiteering. The proceedings grew out of injunctions granted the A. T. Lewis & Son Dry Goods Company enjoining enforcement of the statute. The Government's motion said:

Some Federal courts which have passed upon the legislation in question have upheld its constitutionality, while others have ruled adversely there. The result is much confusion and uncertainty, to the embarrassment of the Government and the public.

On June 1 the Supreme Court fixed October 11, next, for hearing arguments in appeals brought by the Government in proceedings to test the constitutionality of the act.

The decision of the Circuit Court of Appeals on May 26, upholding the constitutionality of the Lever act was in the case of C. A. Weed & Co. of Buffalo against U. S. Attorney Lockwood. An injunction was sought to restrain the U. S. Attorney from proceeding criminally against the company under the act. The original decision was handed down by Judge Hazel. Judge Manton wrote the opinion, and concurring opinions were written by Judges Ward and Hough.

The main opinion in part was as follows:

In regulating civil and commercial life in war time, the nation through the Congress is exercising the first law of nature—self-defense—whereof the limits are incapable of predetermination. But it is surely within those limits to fix prices by legislative fiat and punish every man varying therefrom the present statute does not go that far, for practically it asks the usually soft-hearted jury to issue the fiat.

The defendant is not prevented from selling its stock of wearing apparel at just and reasonable rates and charges because it has been prosecuted for selling these particular garments at what is alleged to be an unjust and unreasonable rate or charge. If wrongfully convicted it will have a perfectly adequate remedy by writ of error direct to the Supreme Court.

We think that while a state of war exists Congress may declare that the public interest in the price of food and wearing apparel warrants legislation declaring an unreasonable and unjust rate or charge in handling or dealing in the necessities.

The appellant complains that no orders were issued with reference to wearing apparel, but this was a power which the President could have exercised had it thought the circumstances warranted it. He likewise need not make orders in reference to fixing prices as to wearing apparel. Such orders, if issued, would not add to the terms of an act of Congress and make conduct criminal which such laws leave untouched.

He can neither abridge nor enlarge the criminal responsibilities under the statute. Indeed, it is obvious that he could not fix a maximum rate of charge on wearing apparel as a foundation for paying indictments. The statute fixes it in the terms of unjust and unreasonable rates and charges.

Since we are still in a state of war and the wartime emergency has not expired, we are of the opinion that Congress could legislate, as it did under the authority of its war powers without contravening Article 1, Sec. 8, Clause 18 of the Constitution, which forbids legislation that deprives the citizen of property without due process of law. During the recent war the struggle between economic resources was all-important. It did much to make for the morale of the army and navy. Food control as a subject of war legislation has been approved.

Wearing apparel declared to be one of the necessities, is well within this sphere of legislation. To so legislate does not interfere with the police powers of the State. Food and wearing apparel control during a war emergency are properly the subject for war legislation and by limiting charges for such necessities, Congress does not take property without due process of law.

In his concurring opinion Judge Hough said:

When the Lever Act was amended this country was and still is in a state that may be described as "official war." It may be likened to the European "state of siege" and continues in Congress all the war powers of the United States. If it were in a state of "official peace" this statute would in my judgment be unconstitutional under *International Harvester Company vs. Kentucky*, 234 U. S., 216. But the statute is begotten by war and is a constitutional exercise by the war power, which is superior to and not to be measured by the police powers of the several states.

In his concurring opinion Judge Ward said:

While I agree with the majority of the court that the Lever Act is constitutional as a war measure, I think the court below, sitting in equity, had no jurisdiction of a bill to enjoin the United States District Attorney from instituting the prosecution under it.

Charles E. Hughes acting as a friend of the court and on behalf of the National Association of Clothiers and the National Retail Dry Goods Association, attacked the validity of the Lever Act in a forty page brief filed in the United States Court of Appeals on May 21.

THREE SECTIONS OF LEVER LAW HELD INVALID BY FEDERAL JUDGE ANDERSON.

Simultaneously with the decision of the United States Court of Appeals (referred to above), which, incidentally, is said to be the first Federal Appellate decision handed down in the United States, Judge A. B. Anderson in the U. S. District Court at Indianapolis declared three sections of the Lever

Act unconstitutional. Judge Anderson, however, sustained the Government in bringing an indictment against 125 coal miners and operators under Section 9 of the same act charging them with conspiracy to limit the production and distribution of coal, thereby to enhance prices.

The decision was on a motion filed May 7 by former Supreme Court Justice Charles Evans Hughes of counsel for John L. Lewis, president of the United Mine Workers William Green, secretary-treasurer of that organization, and several other mine workers' leaders, demanding that the indictment be squashed on the ground that the Lever Act is unconstitutional.

The opinion handed down by Judge Anderson on May 26, was quoted in press dispatches of that date from Indianapolis which had the following to say:

Judge A. B. Anderson in the United States District Court today held unconstitutional three sections of the Lever act and squashed thirteen of the eighteen counts of the indictment against 125 miners and operators, based on these sections, in ruling on a motion by Charles E. Hughes, counsel for the United Mine Workers of America, to squash the indictment. The indictment grew out of the allegation by the Government that miners and operators had conspired to reduce the output of coal during last Winter's bituminous strike.

The sections held unconstitutional were Sections 4, 26 and amended Section 4. Five counts in the indictment were upheld, these being based on Section 9, which the Court held valid.

Section 4, which makes the willful destruction of necessaries for the purpose of enhancing prices unlawful, was declared insufficient to found a criminal charge because it did not contain any penalty for violation.

Section 26, which deals with the storing and holding of necessaries to limit supplies and affect market prices, was declared by the Judge to be arbitrary legislation, and he said that it could not stand.

Section 9, was declared to be constitutional because "it was not repugnant to any provision of the Constitution of the United States."

In his ruling, holding unconstitutional three sections of the Lever Act, Judge Anderson set forth that the indictment was based on Sections 4, 9 and 26 of the Act and on Section 4 as amended. He quoted these sections. Judge Anderson then turned to the question of whether or not the classification in amended Section 4 and Section 26 was reasonable or arbitrary. He cited the Connolly case, brought under the anti-trust laws of the State of Illinois, and in which the exemptions of agricultural products in the hands of the producer was held to be arbitrary classification.

"No case," continued the Court, "has been called to my attention wherein the doctrine here laid down upon the question as to what is arbitrary classification has been modified.

"Now let us apply the rule of this case to amended Section 4. By amended Section 4 farmers, gardeners, horticulturists, vineyardists, planters, ranchmen, dairymen, stockmen and other agriculturists—persons who produce foods and feeds—with respect to the products produced or raised upon land owned, leased or cultivated by them, may wilfully destroy such foods and feeds for the purpose of enhancing the price or restricting the supply thereof; may knowingly commit waste or wilfully permit preventable deterioration of such foods and feeds in or in connection with their production, manufacture or distribution; may hoard such product; may monopolize or attempt to monopolize such products; may engage in any discriminatory and unfair, or any deceptive or wasteful practice or device, or may make any unjust or unreasonable rate or charge in handling or dealing in or with such products, and may conspire, combine, agree or arrange with any other person to limit the facilities for producing or to restrict the production in order to enhance the price or exact excessive prices for such products with impunity, while all other persons are to be punished as criminals for doing the acts, including those who produce, supply or distribute the other necessary fuel.

"Those who produce foods to feed the soldiers and sailors, those who produce feeds to feed the horses and mules required by the army, and those who produce fuel to transport the soldiers and propel the ships of the navy are all alike helping to win the war, and are all alike in the same general class.

"The second provision in amended Section 4 that 'Nothing in this Act shall be construed to forbid or make unlawful collective bargaining by any co-operative association or other association of farmers, dairymen, gardeners or other producers of farm products, with respect to the farm products produced or raised by its members upon land owned, leased or cultivated by them,' is as unwarranted as the one just considered.

"The indulgence to the excepted class is in respect to the farm products produced or raised upon land owned, leased or cultivated by the members of it. But this does not differentiate the instant case from the Connolly case. My conclusion is that the classification in amended Section 4 is arbitrary and not natural or reasonable; that such section is repugnant to the 'due process' clause of the Fifth Amendment and is therefore void.

"I further conclude that original Section 4 is insufficient to found a criminal charge upon, because there is no penalty provided for the violation of it, it does not of itself create an offense, as that word is used in the criminal law, and there is no generally penalty clause in the statute to cover it.

"Section 26 deals with persons carrying on or employed in commerce among the several States—in any article suitable for human food, fuel or other necessities of life, and it prohibits the storing, acquiring or holding or destroying of any such article for the purpose of limiting the supply thereof to the public or affecting the market price thereof in such commerce.

"The first proviso excepts farmers, gardeners and other persons, as in the products of land cultivated by them and is objectionable for the same reason given above in considering a similar exception in amended Section 4.

"The second proviso, that farmers and fruit growers, co-operative and other exchanges or societies of a similar character shall not be included within the provisions of this section carves out an excepted class for which no reasonable basis can be seen. This provision is not limited to the necessities produced by the excepted class, but it applies to farmers, fruit growers, co-operative and other exchanges or societies of a similar character, without reference to where or by whom the necessities are produced. These persons are set apart as a favored class and are given the privilege of storing, acquiring, holding or destroying necessities for the purpose of limiting the supply thereof to the public or affecting the market prices thereof in inter-State commerce without any restraint whatever, while all other persons who commit such acts are to be punished as criminals. It is arbitrary legislation and cannot stand. Section 26 is, therefore, void.

"While apparently conceding that Congress under the war power could validly enact the Lever Act, at the time of its passage, defendants contend that it does not follow that the Act continues in force, regardless of an actual condition of peace, until Congress sees fit to terminate its operation."

INDICTMENT OF GIMBEL BROTHERS ON CHARGE OF PROFITEERING.

A Federal Grand Jury sitting in New York returned an indictment on June 23 charging profiteering in clothing against Gimbel Brothers, one of the largest department stores in this city, Frederic Gimbel, First Vice-President of the corporation, Joseph J. Dowdell, general merchandise manager, and Charles D. Slawter, buyer for the men's clothing department of the concern.

The indictment contained 207 counts.

Less than a week before the three men named had been arrested by agents of the Department of Justice here on similar charges. On June 24 the defendants entered pleas of not guilty to the charges made in the Grand Jury indictment and were given until July 8 to withdraw their pleas and to file motions or demurrers.

The warrants on which the three men were arrested (June 19) charged, according to the N. Y. "Evening Post," that they had made profits in clothing ranging from 90 to 275%. The "Evening Post" on June 19 also gave the following details regarding the case:

In the complaint filed by the special agents of the department three are four specific charges made against the men in custody. The complaint says that the Government agents purchased a mohair suit for \$20 which they say cost \$5.50 from the manufacturer two years ago. They also say they discovered suits at \$75, \$33.75 and \$15 which were bought from manufacturers for \$33, \$15 and \$5.50 respectively.

The two agents, who had been investigating for two weeks in the New York store went to Mr. Gimbel a few days ago and informed him of profits made in clothing.

They said today that Mr. Gimbel blamed Slawter, the clothing buyer, for the mark up in prices and threatened to discharge him. Mr. Gimbel, they said, was amazed when he was informed of the sale prices of the clothing. When Mr. Gimbel was arrested this morning in his office he was much perturbed, saying his attorneys were out of town.

U. S. DISTRICT COURT HOLDS SECTION 4 OF LEVER FOOD CONTROL ACT UNCONSTITUTIONAL—LAMBORN & CO. GRANTED INJUNCTION.

Federal Judge Thompson in the District Court at Philadelphia on June 9 declared unconstitutional section 4 of the Lever Food and Fuel Control Act making it unlawful for a merchant to charge "unjust or unreasonable" prices. Judge Thompson held that the section was invalid by reason of the fact that it fails to set up a standard upon which a jury can determine, while trying a defendant accused of profiteering, whether he has made an unjust and unreasonable charge for necessities. The section, he also declared, violates the Sixth Amendment to the Constitution, guaranteeing any defendant the right to full information of the nature of the charge against him. Judge Thompson in rendering his decision granted an injunction to Lamborn & Co., sugar brokers of New York, restraining United States District Attorney McAvoy and other Federal officials from issuing warrants for the arrest of eleven members of the firm on charges of profiteering.

FEDERAL JUDGE TUTTLE HOLDS SECTION 4 OF LEVER LAW UNCONSTITUTIONAL.

Milk dealers of Detroit, Mich., were granted a temporary injunction on April 20 in the U. S. District Court restraining Federal District Attorney Kinnane from enforcing Section 4 of the Lever Food and Fuel Control Act. Judge Arthur J. Tuttle declared the section to be unconstitutional. The following day (i. e. April 21) it was announced by District Attorney Kinnane that Judge Tuttle's decision would probably be appealed to the Federal Court of Appeals at Cincinnati. The decision, Mr. Kinnane declared, would seriously hamper Federal authorities in their campaign against profiteers. Regarding the details of the case the Detroit "Free Press" on April 21 said:

The application for the restraining order was filed by Detroit milk dealers, following the Federal Fair Price Committee's ruling that 14 cents a quart is a fair price.

Attorney Kinnane, arguing against the order said that the Michigan Milk Producers' Association and Detroit Bottle Exchange combined to control absolutely the milk produced and marketed in a district within 70 miles of the city.

The Federal attorney conceded that Fair Price Committee had no legal standing and that it had no more power than a volunteer organization. He said that the Lever act prohibits the monopolizing restriction or limiting of any necessity and he intimated he might prosecute the two organizations he mentioned.

Before the Fair Price Committee's order became effective last Thursday, 16 cents a quart and 10 cents a pint were the prevailing prices.

The Detroit Bottle Exchange has an agreement with the Michigan Milk Producers' Association to handle only milk produced by members of that organization, Mr. Kinnane said. The contracts, he charged, were valid only as long as the personnel of the Michigan Milk Commission, which, he said, has no jurisdiction, remained unchanged.

Mr. Kinnane said he would take the case to the supreme court in an effort to prove the legality of the Lever act. The application for the order alleged that the act is invalid.

Judge Tuttle, in granting the restraining order, said he did not believe the Fair Price Committee had any power and he believed a legal board should be appointed by the government.

SUIT TO PREVENT WOMAN SUFFRAGE AMENDMENT FROM BECOMING EFFECTIVE DISMISSED.

The District of Columbia Supreme Court refused, on July 12, to interfere with the ratification of the Woman Suffrage Amendment to the United States Constitution. Justice Bailey dismissed the proceedings, instituted by Charles S. Fairchild of New York, President of the American Constitutional League, on the ground that there was nothing to justify an injunction. A dispatch from the New York "Tribune's" Washington Bureau, dated July 12, said:

The injunction proceedings brought by Charles F. Fairchilds of New York, President of the American Constitutional League, seeking to enjoin Secretary of State Colby from signing the ratification proclamation when the thirty-sixth State has ratified the Federal Suffrage Amendment, were dismissed to-day by Justice Bailey in the Supreme Court of the District of Columbia.

Justice Bailey dismissed the bill on the ground that there was nothing to justify an injunction.

The court held that under the decision of the prohibition case State legislatures derive their power to ratify from the Constitution of the United States and that courts will not go behind their actions or uphold the restrictions sought to be placed upon them by the State constitutions or laws.

Commenting on the dismissal of the proceedings, Miss Alice Paul, Chairman of the Woman's Party, said:

"The refusal of the court this morning to grant a restraining order preventing the issuance of a proclamation ratifying the suffrage amendment leaves no reasonable ground for doubt that favorable action by the Tennessee Legislature will definitely conclude the struggle for ratification. Tennessee possesses the clear opportunity of being the thirty-sixth State.

"To-day's decision should also remove any hesitancy from the minds of the Tennessee legislators, since to the opinions of the United States Attorney General and the State Attorney-General it adds the opinion of a court that the power of the Legislature to act will not be questioned."

INTERSTATE COMMERCE COMMISSION EXTENDS SERVICE ORDER DESIGNED TO FACILITATE COAL SHIPMENTS ON RAILROADS.

After hearings last week at Washington on the question of the coal supply and the car shortage on the railroads the Interstate Commerce Commission on July 13 took action looking to the relief of public utilities and improvement of the coal situation in general. The Commission on that date issued a service order directing the railroads to give priority to fuel shipments consigned to public utilities, including street and interurban railways, electric power and lighting plants, gas plants, ice plants, water and sewer works, hospitals, schools and other public institutions.

Important coal consumers, classified by the Commission as entitled to priority in the matter of fuel supplies, may be kept supplied with coal sufficient to meet current requirements. To assure adequate supplies of fuel the railroads were instructed to place, furnish and assign cars to coal mines for the transportation of fuel without regard to the existing ratings and distributive shares for the mines upon the various rail systems, provided no cars shall be so furnished by any carrier without written application therefor from the public utilities concurred in by the delivering railroad, showing that such coal is needed for current use, and not for storage, in order that the applicant may continue in daily operation, and provided further, that such coal shall not be subject to reconsignment except to public utilities or public institutions, and that a written report of the cars placed hereunder shall be promptly made to the Interstate Commerce Commission by the railroad placing the cars.

The new order of the Commission also extended for an additional thirty days beyond July 21 car service order No. 7 which became effective June 21, giving priority in the use of open top equipment to the movement of coal in the territory east of the Mississippi River. Consequently the old order will not expire before August 21.

The Commission order also makes it necessary that all open top cars loaded with fuel or other freight be unloaded within twenty-four hours after delivery to the consignee in order that the movement of equipment may be expedited so far as possible and coal production enlarged by obtaining greater use of the available coal carrying cars. Unless the cars are unloaded within the specified time the carriers were authorized to place an embargo against the receipt of further deliveries of coal or other freight transported in open top cars to the offending consignee, provided, that this authorization shall not interfere with the movement of coal under permit to any coal pool or pools when authorized by any order heretofore or hereafter entered by the Commission or coal consigned to tidewater or the lakes for transshipment by water, nor shall it apply where the failure of the consignee to unload is due

directly to errors or disabilities of the railroad in delivering cars.

In a letter to Daniel Willard, president of the Baltimore & Ohio Railroad and chairman of the Advisory Committee of the Association of Railway Executives, Chairman Clark of the Commerce Commission, referred to the new service order and urged that the railroads "bring.....down to the unavoidable minimum" the practice of "promiscuous reconsignment of cars under load with coal."

No especial attention was given by the Commission to speeding up the coal movement to the Northwest, the letter to Mr. Willard explaining that "we have not thought it proper to attempt to deal with this situation by order" until after attempt has been made by the coal operators and railroad presidents to solve the question.

Announcement of the Commission's order came almost simultaneously with the adjournment of a bituminous coal operators' conference, which had been attempting for two days to work out a plan for supplying the northwest.

Chairman Clark's letter to the Daniel Willard, to which we have alluded above, read as follows:

Interstate Commerce Commission, Washington, July 13, 1920.

Mr. Daniel Willard, Chairman Advisory Committee,
Association of Railway Executives, Baltimore, Md.

My Dear Mr. Willard:

Following the hearing which concluded Saturday, July 10, with respect to the coal car situation in territory east of the Mississippi River, Division 5 of the Commission has given earnest consideration to the facts disclosed of record and known to it as bearing upon the present emergency. Certain features of the situation seem to us to need clarification or correction of our Service Order No. 7. Accordingly, Service Order No. 9 has been entirely amended and supplementing Service Order No. 7, and effective forthwith. A copy of Service Order No. 9 is sent to you for your information.

It will be noted that no especial recognition is given to the lake cargo situation. It is understood that this is the subject of detailed discussion among the coal operators themselves, to be followed immediately by a conference with various railroad executives and that we will be advised as to the determinations reached. We have not thought it proper to attempt to deal with this situation by order until we know the result of such deliberations.

There is one feature of the situation as to which we entertain no doubt and which we desire to call to your attention on behalf of the carriers, which seems to us to require immediate and careful consideration with a view to action which will remedy abuses abundantly shown to exist. We refer to the provisions contained in tariffs of the carriers permitting the general or promiscuous reconsignment of cars under load with coal. As an emergency proposition, it seems to us that the carriers should at once take steps to bring this practice down to the unavoidable minimum. We are not prepared to say that all reconsignment of coal should be prohibited, but it seems to us that it would be a very unusual situation in which more than one reconsignment should be permitted during the existing transportation emergency.

The privilege of reconsignment of coal is one which is carried in the tariffs of the carriers. Without discussing or deciding whether the Commission has power, under the emergency provisions of the Transportation Act, to require the restriction or suspension of this privilege, with the myriad situations which exist in the country, it is obvious that the carriers should themselves bring forward promptly proposals to the Commission for a suitable amendment to their tariffs on short notice in harmony with the views here expressed.

We will thank you if you will see that this is called to the attention of the carriers represented in your Association.

Very truly yours,

E. E. CLARK, Chairman.

After a conference on June 22 with representatives of public utilities in New York a telegram was sent to President Wilson by Deputy Public Service Commissioner Barrett declaring that "the railroads, gas and electric utilities of New York City would either close down or seriously curtail service within a few days unless they could obtain bituminous coal." Previously on June 19 measures had been taken by the Interstate Commerce Commission to relieve the shortage of coal in the New England States by instructing the railroads to grant preference and priority orders for the transportation of bituminous coal to tidewater for movement by water to destinations within the United States. Simultaneously the Commission ordered all railroads east of the Mississippi River serving coal mines to furnish the mines with coal cars in preference to any other use for thirty days beginning June 21, this latter order having now been extended 30 days, as noted further above.

Members of the New York Public Service Commission conferred on June 23 with the Interstate Commerce Commission regarding the coal situation and requested a priority order for the transportation of coal by rail and water for the use of public utilities in New York State. The Commerce Commission, it later became known, had assured them that the public service corporations of New York would be supplied with fuel.

The telegram sent to President Wilson on June 22 by Commissioner Barrett read as follows:

June 22, 1920.

Hon. Woodrow Wilson, President of the United States, Washington, D. C.
The street railroads, gas and electric utilities of New York City will either close down or seriously curtail service within a few days unless they can obtain bituminous coal. They are now down to a few days' supply and ad-

wise this Commission that it is impossible to obtain enough coal to keep them going. To avert a public calamity such as would follow the paralysis of public utility service in the greatest city of America, this Commission respectfully urges upon you the advisability of immediate action to give priority to such utilities in the matter of car assignment and to see to it that enough cars are immediately segregated for public utilities use and sent to the coal mines for immediate loading. Only prompt and decisive action of this kind will avert the calamity.

ALFRED M. BARRETT,
Deputy and Acting Commissioner, Public Service
Commission for the First District.

The order issued by the Interstate Commerce Commission on June 19 to relieve the coal shortage in New England became effective June 24.

LOANS TO RAILROADS APPROVED BY INTER-STATE COMMERCE COMMISSION.

The Interstate Commerce Commission on July 13 announced its approval of loans to the railroads amounting to \$17,022,273, making an aggregate of \$22,086,875 so far certified to the Secretary of the Treasury for payment out of the \$300,000,000 revolving fund provided by the Transportation Act.

The railroads and the amount of money that will be loaned to each was given as follows in Washington press advices of July 13:

Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe Ry.....	\$5,493,600
Carolina, Clinchfield & Ohio Ry.....	2,000,000
Aransas Harbor Terminal Ry.....	135,000
Bangor & Aroostook Ry. Co.....	200,000
Illinois Central R. R.....	4,511,750
Chicago, Burlington & Quincy.....	4,446,523
Salt Lake & Utah R. R. (additional).....	235,400

The detailed statement issued by the Commerce Commission with reference to the loans was published in the New York "Commercial" on July 14, as follows:

The Interstate Commerce Commission has certified to the Secretary of the Treasury its approval of the making of loans to the railways of the country under Section 210 of the Transportation Act, 1920.

For the Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe Railway a loan of \$5,493,600 has been approved, to aid the carrier in acquiring 2,500 refrigerator cars, 500 gondola cars and 50 heavy freight locomotives. The total value of the refrigerator cars is about \$11,875,000, gondola cars, \$1,501,500, and freight locomotives \$4,298,900. The contribution required of the carrier to meet the loan of the Government is \$12,181,800.

The making of this loan will put into general circulation 2,500 refrigerator cars, which are urgently needed, and which will aid the carrier in bringing its quota of locomotives, gondola and refrigerator cars to a point where it can handle with efficiency the heavy transportation demands of every character that are being made upon it.

For the Aransas Harbor Terminal Railway a loan of \$135,000 was approved June 22, 1920. The line of this railway, extending from Aransas Pass, Texas, to the Gulf of Mexico at Port Aransas, Texas, was damaged by a hurricane to such an extent that it is necessary to reconstruct a considerable portion of the line and it is proposed to rebuild with an improved type of construction.

It is a condition of this loan that no payment is to be made by the United States until a total of \$270,000 shall have been subscribed and paid in toward the reconstruction cost by the security holders of the railway and the communities interested therein, and the money advanced by the United States is to be used for capital expenditures only.

The reconstruction of the road will make available a port on which the United States have expended several millions of dollars and will afford a more direct and expeditious route for shipments of oil from Mexico, upon which a large section of Texas is increasingly dependent.

A loan of \$2,000,000 to the Carolina, Clinchfield & Ohio Railway was certified on June 26, 1920, to assist the carrier in financing its immediately pressing maturities. Before making this loan the commission required that the carrier should effectively finance its other obligations by the sale to its stockholders or others of its income debentures at an amount not less than \$5,000,000 to bear not more than 6 per cent and to be sold or exchanged at not less than par, and without other cost to the carrier. The conditions imposed by the commission were accepted and complied with by the carrier and its undertaking to dispose of its debentures on a 6 per cent basis has been underwritten by a responsible banking house.

The Carolina, Clinchfield & Ohio Railway occupies an important place in railway transportation in the Southeast. A heavy coal tonnage is its chief traffic characteristic.

For the Bangor & Aroostook Railway Co. a loan of \$200,000 was certified on July 6, 1920. This was to aid the carrier in obtaining six freight locomotives, the total value of which is \$360,000, and also to enable the carrier to provide itself with necessary shop machinery and tools, a coal storage plant and passing tracks at a cost of about \$20,000. The carrier has undertaken itself to finance one-half the cost of the locomotives and \$58,000 for other necessary additions and betterments. The Bangor & Aroostook handles a very large tonnage of wood pulp, which is manufactured into news print paper and for which there is universal consumption. This carrier is also called upon each year to transport a crop of from twenty to twenty-five million bushels of Irish potatoes, of which 35 to 40 per cent is distributed throughout the country for seed purposes. The locomotive power of this carrier has for some time been taxed to the limit with the heavy traffic it has been called upon to handle.

A loan of \$4,511,750 was certified to the Illinois Central Railroad on July 9 1920, to aid it in acquiring 75 locomotives, 1,000 refrigerator cars, 200 flat cars, 200 stock cars and 52 caboose cars. The total value of this equipment will be approximately \$12,072,000. The notable feature of this loan is the inclusion therein of 1,000 refrigerator cars. Such cars are urgently needed, throughout the country for the transportation of perishable food products. The contribution to be made by the Illinois Central to meet the Government's loan of \$4,511,750 is a large one, about \$7,560,300.

A loan of \$4,446,523 to the Chicago, Burlington & Quincy Railroad was approved July 9, 1920. The loan will assist the carrier in obtaining 45 locomotives, 500 stock cars, 1,000 refrigerator cars, 1,000 box cars and 1,000 gondola cars, the aggregate value of which will be about \$14,840,550, of which the carrier itself is contributing \$10,394,025. This loan, like the one to the Illinois

Central, will put into general circulation a large number of refrigerator cars, for which there is a pressing demand.

The commission approved on May 24, 1920, a loan to the Salt Lake & Utah Railroad of \$64,600 to aid it in acquiring new equipment, and has just approved an additional loan of \$235,400 to the same carrier to assist it in making other additions and betterments and in financing its pressing maturities. To meet the loan of the Government the carrier has undertaken itself to finance, for new equipment \$213,563, for other additions and betterments \$78,600 and for maturities \$43,336. The tonnage of sugar beets on the line of this carrier is large and its local traffic—both freight and passenger—is relatively important.

AMENDMENT TO TRANSPORTATION ACT EXTENDING REPAYMENT OF LOANS UNDER REVOLVING FUND TO FIFTEEN YEARS.

The period for repayment by the railroads of loans from the \$300,000,000 revolving fund provided in the Transportation Act, was extended from five to fifteen years by an amendment to Section 210 of the Act. The amendment, incorporated in the Sundry Civil Appropriation Bill (approved June 5) originated in the Senate and was adopted by that body as a legislative rider to the aforesaid appropriation measure on May 26 ("Chronicle" May 29, page 2250.) Subsequently when the bill went to conference there was added to the Senate amendment a paragraph which provides that loans for equipment authorized by Section 210 of the Transportation Act may be made to or through such car trusts or other agencies as the Inter-State Commerce Commission may designate for the construction and sale or lease of equipment to carriers upon such general terms as to security and payment or lease as are provided in the Act.

The text of the amendment, embodied in the Sundry Civil Bill, follows:

Sec. 5. Paragraphs (a), (b) and (c) of section 210 of the Transportation Act of 1920 approved Feb. 28 1920, are hereby amended so as to read as follows:

"Sec. 210. (a) For the purpose of enabling carriers by railroad subject to the Inter-State Commerce Act properly to serve the public during the transition period immediately following the termination of Federal control, any such carrier may, at any time after the passage of this Act, and before the expiration of two years after the termination of Federal control make application to the commission for a loan from the United States to meet its maturing indebtedness, or to provide itself with equipment or other additions and betterments, setting forth the amount of the loan; the term for which it is desired; the purpose of the loan and the use to which it will be applied; the present and prospective ability of the applicant to repay the loan and meet the requirements of its obligations in that regard; the character and value of the security offered; and the extent to which the public convenience and necessity will be served. The application shall be accompanied by statements showing such facts in detail as the commission may require with respect to the physical situation, ownership, capitalization, indebtedness, contract obligations, operation and earning power of the applicant, together with such other facts relating to the propriety and expediency of granting the loan applied for, and the ability of the applicant to make good the obligation as the commission may deem pertinent to the inquiry.

"(b) If the commission, after such hearing and investigation, with or without notice, as it may direct, finds that the making, in whole or in part, of the proposed loan by the United States, for one or more of the aforesaid purposes, is necessary to enable the applicant properly to meet the transportation needs of the public, and that the prospective earning power of the applicant and the character and value of the security offered are such as to furnish reasonable assurance of the applicant's ability to repay the loan within the time fixed therefor, and to meet its other obligations in connection with such loan the commission shall certify to the Secretary of the Treasury its findings of such facts; also the amount of the loan which is to be made; the time, not exceeding fifteen years from the making thereof, within which it is to be repaid; the terms and conditions of the loan, including the security to be given for repayment; that the prospective earning power of the applicant, together with the character and value of the security offered, furnish, in the opinion of the commission, reasonable assurance of the applicant's ability to repay the loan within the time fixed therefor and reasonable protection to the United States; and that the applicant, in the opinion of the commission, is unable to provide itself with the funds necessary for the aforesaid purposes from other sources.

"(c) Upon receipt of such certificate from the commission the Secretary of the Treasury shall immediately, or as soon as practicable, make a loan of the amount recommended in such certificate out of any funds in the revolving fund provided for in this section and accept the security prescribed therefor by the commission. All such loans shall bear interest at the rate of 6 per centum per annum, payable semi-annually, to the Secretary of the Treasury, and to be placed to the credit of said revolving fund. The form of obligation to be entered in to shall be prescribed by the Secretary of the Treasury, but the time, not exceeding fifteen years from the making thereof, within which such loan is to be repaid, the security which is to be taken therefor, and the terms and the conditions of the loan shall be accordance with the findings and the certificate of the commission."

The loans for equipment authorized by section 210, Transportation Act, 1920, may be made to or through such organization, car trust or other agency as may be determined upon or approved or organized for the purpose by the commission as most appropriate in the public interest for the construction, and sale or lease of equipment to carriers, upon such general terms as to security and payment or lease as provided in this section or in subsections 11 and 13 of section 422 of the Transportation Act, 1920.

An explanation of the scope and purpose of the amendment was given by Senator Kellogg on May 26 just before the adoption of the measure by the Senate. Mr. Kellogg said:

There were two changes recommended by the Committee on Inter-State Commerce. One was as to the funding plan, and the other was as to the loan plan; and the Senator is correct in saying that the funding plan was dropped out of this bill entirely. The loan plan it was found was impracticable, and the only change made is to extend the time of the loans from 5 to 15 years. It was found impossible to make equipment trust for 5 years, because the roads are required to pay an equal part not only of

the principal but the interest in each year, and on the loan provision we recommended unanimously that the time of the loan be authorized to be extended from 5 to 15 years.

There was one other change which the Senator from Arkansas [Mr. Robinson] has mentioned, and that was that we provided in this bill that the loans were only to be made to railroads unable to provide themselves with the funds necessary for the aforesaid purposes. Instead of allowing the fund to be used to all railroads, it was only to those roads which could not otherwise secure money.

Those are the principal changes. There is one change, that the recommendations and orders of the Inter-State Commerce Commission shall control, and there will not be divided authority between the Treasury Department and the Inter-State Commerce Commission. Those are the only important changes in the law. It was unanimously recommended by the Inter-State Commerce Committee, after a long hearing of committees from all over the United States, farmers, shippers, and chambers of commerce urging that not only these changes be made but that additional appropriations be made. We declined to recommend an additional appropriation.

WILLIAM SPROULE VIEWS RAILROAD SITUATION HOPEFULLY.

In an address dealing with "The Railroad Situation," William Sproule, President of the Southern Pacific Company referred to the fact that "before the war, the railroads were regarded as indulging in forebodings when they insisted that if something were not done to give stability to railroad credit, by recognizing the increasing expenses and the declining net, the railroads would be in trouble which would be injurious to the public." Mr. Sproule pointed out that "it took the crisis of the war to make it plain that those were not forebodings, but were warnings based on experience and justified, so that now the nation has entered upon the path to correction of old errors and of reconstruction to meet new conditions." The difficulties in the railroad situation as we find it to-day, Mr. Sproule said, arise from several causes. He continued in part:

First, the long delay in recognizing the fact that rates for transportation could not continue to fall and costs of operation continue to rise without so weakening the railroads as to disturb the distributing capacity of the railroads upon which the commerce of the country chiefly depends. This commerce includes all business and every industry. It is obvious that the more prompt and efficient is the railroad service in the collection and distribution of all commodities requiring railway service, the greater is the pressure upon credit. The bankers specially understand this. A bill of lading that is out four weeks for a shipment moving between two points, as against a bill of lading out but the two weeks taken to move the same goods between the same points, states a condition which, multiplied millions of times by the business transactions of this country, represents an aggregate of banking credit and business delay that can be achieved only by a country as big as ours. While it has taken a long time for the public to become aware of the fact that poor railway service is wasteful and hurtful to them, the brightening sign of the times is that the public has also come to know that good service in the railways is like any other good service, human or physical—it can be had only by paying for it. It took the war to show to all the people that recognition of these things has been too long delayed and that corrective measures must now be applied.

The railroad situation is difficult from another cause, which is the great increase in the cost of materials and of labor. A great deal is being said about the high cost of living. Nowhere does it apply to a greater extent than in the cost of railway service. These high costs arise from the war. In the abnormal demands it made both upon men and material. We may legislate and imprison, but we cannot trifle with the law of supply and demand any more safely than we can ignore the ebb and flow of the tide. When the armies of the world took away millions of men from industry and those who remained found their services in high demand, wages went up. When foreign governments gave contracts to our manufacturers and ship builders on the basis of cost plus an arbitrary percentage or supercharge, wages climbed with hot house growth. When we joined the war the demand became greater than ever and still the wages grew. The workmen cannot be blamed for it. The increase in wages came in great part from competition between employers who offered rival inducements for the services of the limited forces to be had. Under such circumstances, shirking and striking can be condemned, but the higher wages the workman obtained because of competition for his services may not be condemned. The result was a high wage scale, mounting higher, in our industries of every kind. From this increase of wages the railroads could not be exempt. The wages had to be increased if the men were to be kept in the service, and the constant struggle was to meet the labor situation in such a way as would keep the railroads running.

Thus the high wages in the industries of the country had the inevitable result of increasing the cost of all the supplies furnished to the railroads by those industries and had the further effect of increasing the costs of the labor used by the railroads directly. If slang be permitted, the railroads "got it going and coming." While there are doubtless differences in detail between the way the wage schedules might have been handled under private control during the war compared with the way they were handled under Government control, the essential fact remains that railroad wages had to keep pace with the rising wage in industry generally, for there is no way by which a railroad can be supplied with men except in competition with other industries for the services of those men. Thus the wages in other industries had the effect of regulating in an essential way the railroad wages.

For the present it suffices to say on this point that there is no prospect of reduction in the labor costs of the railroads, and little prospect of any substantial reduction in cost of materials and supplies. As the eight hour day is spreading into all industry, so that the farmers may have to carry it into food production in order to get men, the prospect of relief is remote for employer or employed. We may as well acknowledge that the eight hour day carried into all our national life cuts down our production, and sets us back industrially to an extent that may be measured in equivalents of population. Were all the people to use the eight hour day for intensive work and intensive production, which are the real reasons for an eight hour day, we might overcome some of the loss. But in the meantime the bills have to be paid.

Yet another reason for the difficulties in the railroad situation is the failure of the people, and of Congress representing the people, to recognize

that this is not a finished country. We have talked in large terms of the greatness of the country and its possibilities for growth, without recognizing that the growth of the country requires the growth of the railroads as a necessary facility for the country. Popular opinion did not take into account sufficiently the fact that railroad service is a part of the varied business of the country from the field to the consumer and through all the channels of industry. It did not recognize that to block the wheels of the American railroad system is to block the wheels of American industry.

If this had been a finished country like some of the European States, or even in the modified sense of some of our New England States, the policy of restrictive regulation might have had a better chance to work without serious damage. But it has brought damage even upon New England, and it has to an important degree held back the growth and expansion of a great part of the National area until railroad construction everywhere has come to a standstill and railroad improvements have been halted or stopped. Yet most of the Western States are not far from the pioneering stage of their development, while in the entire country west of the Missouri the opportunities and incentives that may be accorded the railroads by giving them assured prosperity will prove to be the foundation for the future growth and prosperity of the country, its industries and its people.

The prospect brightens. The principle has been declared by Congress that the railroads ought to be allowed to earn a fair return upon the fair value of their properties in the public service. It is true the basis stated for that return is debatable for it allows the roads to earn up to six per cent of a valuation to be assumed upon some basis at present unknown, if perchance they can earn six per cent, and this at a time when money costs seven to eight per cent upon good security. A road that can earn more than six per cent gives half the excess to the Government for general railroad purposes and the other half is put in reserve for use by the road some time in the future. This is a complicated and uncertain basis upon which to maintain the solvency of the roads. But the point is that it is one step forward in the right direction, and in the same spirit of effort to reach a satisfactory solution of this great public question, such weakness in the plan as may be developed will, we hope, be corrected by future action of Congress.

An increase of a cent an hour in the pay of all the railroad men of the Nation means an increase of about fifty millions of dollars a year, and the people approve the increase when it is proper they should have it. Fifty million dollars is just about the sum required to pay interest on the money the railroads need to bring up their equipment to a normal supply that will meet the public requirements year by year. Fifty millions more would provide the interest for the other requirements of the railroads in new terminals, additions, betterments, and general expansion of their business for the public use.

These sums seem large, but among 120,000,000 of people this will be felt no more than the 2 cents an hour for the labor referred to, and the money will flow back again into the channels of commerce in fulfillment of its vital purpose. Just as the people do not begrudge the men the wages they earn, so a well-informed public will not withhold from the railroads the money needed to promote the welfare of all the business of the country.

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From this sketch of the railroad situation it appears to me that the future is full of hope and that we may look forward to improvement in everything that pertains to railroads and to fair solutions for their problems. In these solutions the agencies of government will have greater powers than ever before. The Interstate Commerce Commission, and the State Commissions in co-operation, have great responsibilities which, discharged wisely and well, as undoubtedly they will be, are certain to achieve results that are desirable. The railroads have the responsibility of making manifest these results when thus given the opportunity.

A. M. SAKOLSKI ON RAILROAD SITUATION IN LIGHT OF NEW LEGISLATION.

The above subject was discussed by A. M. Sakolski, of the Equitable Trust Company of this city before the Savings Bank Association of the State of New York on May 27. As a conclusion to his survey he ventured to offer three suggestions as to future Government action:

I. A broad and liberal interpretation of the rate making rule in order to stabilize railroad credit.

II. Protection of railroads and public against ungrounded political attacks and against irresponsible labor agitation.

III. Provision for closer co-operation between the railroads, shippers and the "investing public."

In part Mr. Sakolski's comments were as follows:

New York savings institutions were first given authority to invest in railroad bonds in 1898, by an amendment to the State banking law. This authority was at first limited to investment in the first and refunding mortgage bonds of any railroad corporation whose railroad was located principally within New York State. The scope of such lawful investments was, however, broadened by various statutory amendments so as to include, by 1902, the first and refunding bonds of railroads connecting with and controlled by those whose bonds had previously been made "legals," and also to include the first mortgage bonds of certain enumerated railroads operating without the State.

Largely as a result of such legislation the savings banks of the country have become possessed of approximately one billion of railroad securities, of which New York State holds more than one-third. It is a significant coincidence that the Federal Government as a result of the war time experiment in railroad operation, is likely to be interested in railroad securities to the same extent. According to a statement of former Director of Railroads, Mr. Walker D. Hines, the Federal Government owns \$354,000,000 of equipment trust certificates and about \$490,000,000 additional railroad debt. Further, it appears probable that most of the \$300,000,000 revolving fund provided by the new Transportation Act will be loaned to the railroads. Thus, the Government at an early date will hold approximately \$1,100,000,000 of railroad securities. This represents the people's money, and so does the indebtedness of the railroads to the savings banks. As mutual creditors, the savings banks and the Federal Government should cooperate in the stabilization and improvement of railroad credit.

The period in which railroad securities were made legal investments for savings institutions and trustees marked the top point in the price of high grade securities. There has been a progressive rise in long term interest rates since 1902 and investment securities of almost all classes have depreciated correspondingly. In this decline of bond prices railroad securities have particularly suffered. This is due to the increasing competition in the investment field that the railroads have been compelled to meet. Moreover the competitive position of the railroads in the struggle to obtain capital has been impaired, first, by the higher interest rates offered in loans by the Federal, State and municipal governments, and secondly, by the enhanced investment position of securities issued by industrial, manufacturing and

commercial enterprises. The former class, besides having the advantage of unlimited resources in taxin to meet the higher rates of interest, have the distinct advantage in conferring tax exemption on income arising from their indebtedness. The other competitive class of securities, namely, the industrials, are backed by expanding and unrestricted earning power, and a higher degree of distribution of risk in their business activities. Thus, since railroad bonds have been made available as trustee and savings bank investments in New York State, they have been figuratively crushed between upper and nether mill stones as investment propositions.

But competition of other securities is not the only cause of decline in public favor of railroad securities. A number of financial and economic developments beyond the direct control of the companies have had a depressing effect on railroad bond values. Among the leading factors has been the inability of many railroads to issue further prior lien obligations, as the mortgages on their existing property have been closed. Consequently, capital can be obtained only through issues having inferior liens. This means a higher cost of capital. Moreover, the failure of the bulk of railroad corporations to earn and pay ample dividends on their capital stocks by preventing the sale of railroad shares at par has gradually led to a preponderance of bonded indebtedness. This has ever been a fertile source of railroad receivership. The banking laws of this and other States have taken this fact into consideration by providing that no railroad securities should be legal as a savings bank investment unless the outstanding capital stock of the debtor company is within a certain minimum ratio of its funded indebtedness. During the last decade additional issues of railroad shares, aside from new stocks of reorganized companies, have been extremely rare, and at the present time the important American railroad corporations that can sell their capital stock in the open market at par or better can be counted on the fingers of one hand. The seriousness of this situation with respect to railroad financing must be recognized. It not only constantly augments the burden of fixed charges, but is tending to intensify further the high cost of new railroad capital and threatens to eliminate the market for securities afforded by savings banks, trustees, and investment institutions.

These difficulties alone would be sufficient to depress the value of railroad securities and place them relatively in a less favorable light than in former years. The downward trend, however, has gathered momentum from the adverse economic developments in railroad operations. The higher standards of railroad service demanded by the public at the very time wage and material costs were increasing and operating economies were becoming less effective threatened to eliminate entirely the relatively narrow and flexible margin between revenues and expenditures. The logical consequence would be to raise the prices of the transportation service to meet the growth of operating expenditures. But the rigidity of railroad rates does not make them readily adaptable to swift or sudden changes in the same manner as wages or commodities change in price levels. Rate making among railroads is such a delicate task that when a scale of charges is once established, railroad managers and regulating officials are loath to make adjustments warranted by changes in operating and traffic conditions. Market competition and legislative enactments, rather than operating costs have long been and undoubtedly will continue to be the dominant motives fixing railroad charges. This market competition is not confined to separate territorial zones or to a territory comprising but one group of lines. Prevailing long haul freight rates have been worked out with reference not only to meeting the competition of home markets but foreign markets as well. Obviously, then, in adjusting rates in one zone, the Commission must necessarily meet the competition of rates on the same products in other zones. How this situation can be provided for, while at the same time making rate adjustments so as to give "a fair return on the fair value of property" to all competing systems is one of the practical problems the Interstate Commerce Commission must solve.

Thus far the picture of the railroad situation has been painted in dark colors. We must not neglect, however, the favorable features in the situation. Certainly there has been a vast improvement and a health stabilization in the railroad business in its entirety. Speculative railroad building in the United States has practically ceased. Moreover, under the new law (whereby the Interstate Commerce Commission must first approve all railroad construction and extensions) wild-cat railroad promotion is not likely to be revived. Destructive rate wars and secret rebates have also passed into history. Under the Federal uniform accounting systems, railroad operations and activities are matters of public record, and inefficient management or financial intrigues can no longer be hidden by bookkeeping manoeuvres.

A more favorable development than these, however, has been the gradual concentration of railroad regulation under the Interstate Commerce Commission. Thus, the railroads will have but one master instead of forty-nine as previously.

Restrictive and punitive State railroad legislation prior to the war had grown with such cumulative intensity that the railroads in 1916 joined in a concerted movement to appeal for an entire new scheme of railroad control whereby the companies would be relieved of the vexatious State interferences and political railroad baiting. All told between 1912 and 1915, it was computed that upward of 4,000 bills affecting railroads were introduced into the national and State legislatures, of which 440 became laws. Whatever the purpose of these laws, there was most always one certain result; viz., increase in operating costs. The full-crew laws have been extremely costly; the law of small New Jersey alone added an operating cost of something like \$400,000 annually. Hence it is with deep satisfaction that one may look upon the provisions of the recent Federal law which vests exclusively in the Interstate Commerce Commission regulatory functions formerly exercised in common with or exclusively by the States.

Situation Arising From Government Operation.

Whatever may have been the necessity of government war time operation it cannot be said that as a political measure it has not fostered certain evils. Among these may be mentioned (1) the diversion of traffic from customary channels, (2) laxity of administrative morale, (3) labor inefficiency, (4) impaired earnings and (5) under-maintenance and impairment of physical property. The question for consideration at the present is whether the Transportation Act of 1920 will re-establish railroad credit to its former high levels. The measures proposed under the new law come under three general headings:

First, it proposes to adjust railroad rates so that the carriers at all times shall be permitted to earn a reasonable return on the fair value of their property.

Secondly, it proposes a method of financial aid to "weak" roads with impaired or inferior credit.

Lastly, it aims to relieve the carriers from the incubus of perennial labor demands and union domination.

Let us see to what extent these admirable objects may be obtained. As a means of rate adjustment the new railroad act provides:

"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 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."

This provision, regarded as the most important in the whole law, adds nothing new in theory or fact. Under the law, public utilities are entitled to charge rates that give "a reasonable return on the value of their property." The perpetual difficulty has been to clearly define "reasonable return and fair value." For almost a decade under the valuation clauses of the Interstate Commerce Act, the Commission has been endeavoring to establish a basis of fair value. No definite policy has been adopted, nor is one likely to be finally and conclusively adopted until after years of litigation. In the meantime, the question of rates is of paramount importance, since when the six months' period of government guaranteed earnings expires, the companies must depend on their own financial resources to keep out of general bankruptcy. Hence it is sincerely hoped that in this period the Interstate Commerce Commission will establish a higher level of freight rates

MEETING OF ASSEMBLY OF LEAGUE OF NATIONS CALLED BY PRESIDENT WILSON

It was stated this week that President Wilson had issued a call for a meeting of the League of Nations Assembly, the date being fixed as November 15 with Geneva, Switzerland as the meeting place. Announcement that the President had accepted the invitation of the League of Nations to call a meeting of the Assembly early in November was made in the British House of Commons on July 8, by Cecil B. Harmsworth, Under Secretary for Foreign Affairs.

MEXICAN GOVERNMENT ACCEPTS PROPOSALS MADE BY PETROLEUM INTERESTS.

The differences between the foreign oil interests and the Government of Mexico appear to be very near a solution.

The Government has accepted in principle the definite proposals of the representatives of the petroleum interests, according to the "Universal," one of the leading papers in Mexico City, on July 13.

No final agreement will be reached, however, the newspaper says, until a conference, scheduled for today, July 17, between Provisional President de la Huerta and the oil men.

HENRY P. FLETCHER WARNS AGAINST RECOGNITION OF NEW MEXICAN REGIME.

If the United States decides to recognize the new regime in Mexico which has displaced the Carranza Government it should do so on the condition that "such recognition was provisional," in the view of Henry P. Fletcher, former American Ambassador to the Southern Republic. Mr. Fletcher in a letter on July 11 to Bainbridge Colby, Secretary of State, declared that the country should not recognize the new Government in Mexico, "until it is reasonably clear that said Government is not only willing but able to discharge the fundamental duties of a government, i. e. to maintain law and order and to afford adequate protection to the lives and interests of foreigners in Mexico."

Mr. Fletcher's letter resulted from negotiations then in progress between the State Department and Dr. Iglesias Calderon, Mexican High Commissioner to the United States, regarding recognition of the new Government of Mexico City.

Dr. Iglesias Calderon, it is said, has assured the American Government of the desire of the new regime to live up to the obligations of a government, but Mr. Fletcher in his letter suggested that before any recognition was extended an informal agreement be made with the Mexican authorities that American citizens would not be deprived of their property rights without compensation and that such property as they were deprived of during the Carranza regime without compensation would be returned to them.

Mr. Fletcher was the American Ambassador to Mexico during the Carranza Administration, but resigned several months ago because of a disagreement with the American Government's policy toward Mexico. His letter to Secretary Colby on July 11 was as follows:

In my capacity as a private citizen interested in good relations between the United States and Mexico, may I suggest for such consideration as they may deserve the following regarding the recognition of the new Government of Mexico:

Without animadverting to past difficulties and with a view to avoiding a repetition of them I would respectfully suggest:

First, that the United States should not recognize the new Government of Mexico until it is reasonably clear that said Government is not only willing but able to discharge the fundamental duties of a government, i. e., to maintain law and order and to afford adequate protection to the lives and interests of foreigners in Mexico.

Second, that the new regime should be recognized, if at all, merely as the de facto government and it should be informed that such recognition was provisional and would be withdrawn if it should subsequently prove to have been prematurely extended.

Third that before extending such de facto recognition we should take steps to secure an informal agreement (to later be made formal if desired) covering the following pending matters:

(a) That the constitution of 1917 and the law passed in pursuance thereof shall not be given retroactive effect as to property lawfully acquired previous to its promulgation and that American citizens shall not be deprived of their lawfully acquired rights without compensation.

(b) Return to American citizens and corporations of such property (excluding taxes) as they were deprived of during the Carranza regime without compensation by either national or State Government of Mexico.

(c) Immediate constitution of a mixed Mexican-American claims commission to adjust all claims of American citizens against the Government of Mexico and of Mexican citizens against the Government of the United States.

(d) Appointment of commissioners to settle definitely the Omatzal and all other boundary questions, including the deflection, canalization and protection of the waters of the Colorado River for the irrigation of the Imperial Valley in Mexico and in the United States. I make no mention of financial or economic matters, believing they should form the subject matter of negotiations subsequent to recognition.

We should make it clear that these conditions are attached to our recognition merely because our unfortunate experiences with the Carranza Government make them appear necessary, to avoid future trouble and, above all, that we are not asking for our nationals a privileged position, but simple justice.

REBELLION IN MEXICO.

Open rebellion in the States Chiapas and Michoacan and the detection of a conspiracy by the followers of General Pablo Gonzales, former candidate for the Presidency, against the new Government of Mexico, were reported to the State Department on July 9 from the American Embassy at Mexico City.

The report said that the State of Chiapas was in open rebellion and that General Francisco J. Murgía, who was defeated for Governor in the State of Michoacan, had raised the flag of rebellion.

Less than a week after receipt of these reports (i. e. July 15) the War Department at Mexico City announced that Gen. Pablo Gonzales, Brigadier Generals Carlos Garcia, his Chief of Staff, and Jose Santos had been captured near Monterey. There was said to be an unconfirmed report at the Mexican capital at the time that Gen. Gonzales had been summarily court-martialed at Monterey on charges of rebellion. It was stated that the War Department considers Gen. Gonzales as the intellectual head of the recent revolts of General Carlos Osuna, Jesus Guajarda, Ricardo Gonzalez and Ireneo Villareal.

On July 8 Provisional President de la Huerta told foreign press correspondents at Mexico City that five generals had taken up arms against the new regime.

"The Carranza Government," he was quoted as having said, "stood for more than four years against over 25,000 rebels, and there is no reason why the present Government cannot contend with less than 500."

Denial that a censorship had been re-established in Mexico was made in dispatches received on July 14 by representatives of the new Government at Washington. The dispatches asserted "that throughout the country any one can write and publish anything desired, a fact that is well known to the many newspaper correspondents in Mexico City."

The dispatches also described recently reported revolutionary movements of Gen. Osuna in Tamaulipas and of Gen. Guajarda in Coahuila as in no sense constituting a menace "to the regime of law and order which the new Government has inaugurated." Reorganization of the Mexican Army on the Chilean system has been entrusted, according to the advices, to a board appointed by President de la Huerta.

Predictions of a revolt in Mexico had been made by Ignacio Bonillas, former Mexican Ambassador to the United States, in discussing on July 8 at Washington Mexican affairs and the recent revolution which led to the overthrow of President Carranza.

Mr. Bonillas, who was a civilian candidate for the Presidency, was with President Carranza during the flight from Mexico City and narrowly escaped with his life after his chief had been killed. He declared on July 8 that a conflict of irreconcilable elements that make up the present regime in Mexico is certain to break out in the near future. He was quoted by the Associated Press as follows:

"The great mass of people of Mexico are tired of revolution and of military rule.

"They greatly desire peace and a government of civilians, with the army solely as the supporter and guarantee of orderly civil government, as other modern nations do. The Obregon coup was purely military. Obregon himself knew that the people were overwhelmingly in favor of a civilian as President, and he tried to win with this support by putting aside his military rank.

"The present regime in Mexico is made up of heterogeneous elements that cannot be reconciled for long. The prompt elimination of General Pablo Gonzales by the Obregonistas after they had used him to precipitate the coup that ended in the killing of the President is an indication of what will come.

All the bandits who made trouble under the Carranza administration joined forces with Obregon, and it is too soon for them all to break away. But they will, and the beginning has come with the frequent small outbreaks in various parts of the country. The Pabistas (followers of General Pablo Gonzales) are already grumbling at the elimination of their chief."

ITEMS ABOUT BANKS, TRUST COMPANIES, & C.

No bank stocks were sold at the Stock Exchange or at auction this week. A sale of ten shares of trust company stock was made at auction.

Shares. TRUST CO.—New York. Low. High. Close. Last previous sale.
10 Central Union Trust Co.----- 370½ 370½ 370½ Dec. 1918— 416

Regarding reports which appeared in the daily papers of July 14 concerning a proposed consolidation of the Bankers Trust Company and the Liberty National Bank of this City, Harvey D. Gibson, President of the latter, authorized the following statement on Wednesday:

This matter of the merger of the Bankers Trust Company and the Liberty National Bank has been the subject of informal discussion for some time. No decision or definite understanding has resulted and we cannot say when anything will occur which could be published properly. The matter has not even reached a point where it could be referred to the Board of Directors.

One of the reports in question, that appearing in the New York "Times," said in part:

The consolidation of the Bankers Trust and the Liberty National has been considered in financial circles as a logical development in local banking growth for several years. Both are classed in the "Morgan group" of banks, and there has been close affiliation between them ever since the former was established in 1903. E. C. Converse, one of the founders of the Bankers Trust, is a Director of the Liberty National, while Daniel G. Reid and Daniel E. Pomeroy have long been on the boards of both banks, and Seward Prosser, President of the trust company, is also a Liberty National director. It is believed that when the program is complete the Liberty National will be absorbed by the Bankers Trust, ending the identity of the bank and joining its operating staff with that of the trust company.

The June 30th statement of the Liberty National showed capital and surplus of \$5,000,000 each; undivided profits of \$2,211,066; deposits of \$100,403,818 and total resources of \$128,945,991. The Bankers Trust Company on the same date reported capital \$20,000,000; surplus fund \$11,250,000, undivided profits of \$6,157,751; deposits of \$334,472,791 and aggregate resources of \$389,148,720.

The proposed increase in the capital of the National City Bank of this city, forecast a month ago, as indicated in these columns June 12, is to be acted upon at a special meeting of the stockholders on August 26. The stockholders were advised this week, July 12, that the directors have recommended that the capital stock be increased from \$25,000,000 to \$40,000,000 by the issue of \$150,000 additional shares of \$100 each, and that the new stock be offered for subscription to the shareholders, pro rata, at \$125 per share, the premium above par to be credited to surplus, and an additional sum of \$6,250,000 to be transferred from undivided profits to surplus. The capital will then stand at \$40,000,000, the surplus at \$45,000,000, and undivided profits at upwards of \$100,000,000. The circular addressed by President James Stillman to the stockholders of the bank, from which the above information with regard to the capital increase is taken, also says:

This action is deemed advisable at the present time by reason of the large volume of business which the bank is called upon to handle to serve its customers and to do its part in financing the domestic and foreign trade of the country.

If the increase is authorized at the special meeting called for this purpose, it is proposed to issue transferable warrants of subscription to shareholders of record at the date of the meeting, entitling each to subscribe, at \$125 per share, and on such conditions as may be prescribed, for the number of new shares equivalent to 60% of his holdings; and that the stock certificates for such new shares shall bear the endorsement prescribed by the agreement of June 1 1911, as amended, evidencing a proportionate beneficial interest in the capital stock of The National City Company held by the Trustees under said agreement.

It is further proposed that all subscriptions shall be payable in full at the bank, in New York funds, on surrender of the respective warrants, duly indorsed, not later than the first day of October, 1920, after which date all warrants will be void. Upon payment of subscriptions, transferable interim receipts will be issued, which will be exchangeable for the definitive stock certificates, indorsed as above.

In referring, in our issue of June 12, to the likelihood of an increase in the capital of the bank, we stated that a circular had been issued notifying the stockholders of the National City Co. of an amendment to the agreement under which the stock of the company is trustee for the benefit of the stockholders of the bank. As we indicated in our previous item it was announced by the trustees in this circular that the agreement had been amended "so as to permit the trustees to make such amendments of the certificate of incorporation of the company as the expansion of the business of the company may render desirable, to acquire additional stock of the company if issued, and to indorse

additional shares of the capital stock of the bank, if issued." The capital of the bank has stood at \$25,000,000 since 1902, the amount having then been increased from \$10,000,000; the new stock was sold at that time at 150%; in February 1900, the capital had been raised to \$10,000,000 from \$1,000,000.

The recommendation of the Stock Exchange Committee on Stock List for the approval of the application of the Mechanics & Metals National Bank of this city for the listing of \$1,000,000 of additional stock consisting of 10,000 shares of the par value of \$100 each, making the total amount authorized to be listed \$10,000,000, was adopted by the Governing Committee of the Exchange on June 23.

The \$1,000,000 of new capital, as announced in our issue of May 22, was put out in pursuance of the agreement for the consolidation with the Mechanics & Metals of the New York Produce Exchange National Bank, the Mechanics & Metals additional capital having been issued in exchange for a like number of shares of the Produce Exchange National. The Mechanics & Metals earlier in the year increased its capital from \$6,000,000 to \$9,000,000, and the approval of the Exchange for the listing of the \$3,000,000 additional capital then issued was noted in our issue of May 22.

An application by the Bank of the Manhattan Company of this city to list \$2,643,000 additional capital (of an authorized issue of \$5,000,000) consisting of 52,860 shares of the par value of \$50 each, with authority to add 307,000 additional of said stock upon official notice and payment in full, making the total amount authorized to be listed \$5,000,000, has been approved by the Governing Committee of the New York Stock Exchange. The capital of the Bank of the Manhattan Company was twice increased during the present year as an incident to the merger with it of the Bank of Long Island and the Merchants Bank, previously the Merchants National. The several mergers to which the Bank of the Manhattan Company has been a party, and the changes which have occurred in its capital since 1918 (it was founded in 1799 with a capital of \$2,000,000, which was increased by \$50,000 in 1805) are detailed as follows in the Stock Exchange circular of June 28 relative to the listing of the stock issued the present year:

On Feb. 6 1918, the stockholders of The Manhattan Company, by resolutions duly adopted at a special meeting thereof, authorized an increase in its capital stock from \$2,050,000, consisting of 41,000 shares of the par value of \$50 each, to \$2,500,000, to consist of 50,000 shares of the par value of \$50 each. The approval of the Superintendent of Banks of the State of New York to such increase was procured on Feb. 7 1918, and all statutory provisions of the State of New York governing such increase have been complied with.

Such increase was in connection with and as a part of a plan to merge Bank of the Metropolis into The Manhattan Company pursuant to a merger agreement dated Jan. 17 1918, which agreement was approved by the Superintendent of Banks on that same day.

The merger became effective on Feb. 8 1918. Under the merger plan, it was provided that stockholders of Bank of the Metropolis should surrender their shares of stock and receive in lieu thereof: for four shares of stock of said Bank certificates for six shares of the capital stock of The Manhattan Company; or, at the option of said stockholders, for every four shares of stock of said Bank, certificates for three shares of stock of The Manhattan Company, and in addition thereto the sum of \$142 50 in cash for each share of stock of said Bank so surrendered.

The Bank of the Metropolis was organized under the laws of the State of New York on Jan. 7 1871, with a capital stock of \$500,000. On Feb. 28 1878, the capital stock was reduced to \$300,000, and subsequently, on Feb. 9 1902, it was increased to \$1,000,000.

On Jan. 6 1920, the stockholders of The Manhattan Company, by resolutions duly adopted at a special meeting thereof, authorized an increase of the capital stock of said The Manhattan Company from \$2,500,000, consisting of 50,000 shares of the par value of \$50 each, to \$3,000,000, to consist of 60,000 shares of the par value of \$50 each.

The approval of the Superintendent of Banks of the State of New York to such increase was procured on Jan. 6 1920, and all statutory provisions of the State of New York governing such increase have been complied with. Such increase was in connection with and as a part of a plan to merge Bank of Long Island into The Manhattan Co. pursuant to a merger agreement dated Nov. 13 1919, which agreement was approved by the Superintendent of Banks on Nov. 13 1919. The merger became effective on Jan. 10 1920; under the merger plan it was provided that the stockholders of Bank of Long Island should surrender their certificates of stock to The Manhattan Company and receive in lieu thereof for each share of stock so surrendered either a certificate for one share of the capital stock of The Manhattan Company; or (b) at the option of any of said stockholders the sum of \$250 in cash for each share of such stock so surrendered.

The Bank of Long Island was organized under the laws of the State of New York on Jan. 2 1903, with a capital stock of \$500,000, which was increased on April 7 1910, to \$750,000, on Oct. 20 1915, to \$900,000, and on Feb. 6 1919, to \$1,200,000.

On March 24 1920, the stockholders of The Manhattan Company, by resolutions duly adopted at a special meeting thereof, authorized the increase of its Capital stock from \$3,000,000 consisting of 60,000 shares of the par value of \$50 each, of which 58,100 shares had been theretofore actually issued, to \$5,000,000, to consist of 100,000 shares of the par value of \$50 each.

The approval of the Superintendent of Banks of the State of New York to such increase was procured on March 25 1920, and all statutory provisions of the State of New York governing such increase have been complied with. Such increase was in connection with and as a part of a plan to merge The

Merchants Bank of the City of New York into The Manhattan Company pursuant to a merger agreement dated March 1 1920, which agreement was approved by the Superintendent of Banks on that same day. The merger became effective on March 27 1920. The relative book value of the capital stock of The Manhattan Company and The Merchants Bank having been determined by an examination of the two institutions made by an examiner of the New York Clearing House association, it was provided in the merger agreement that each stockholder of The Merchants Bank should surrender his certificates to The Manhattan Company and receive in lieu thereof certificates for the same number of shares, of the par value of \$50 each, of The Manhattan Company. In order to effect an adjustment of book values whereby the issue of share for share, as above referred to, should be fair and equitable, 11,620 shares were offered to the stockholders of The Manhattan Company, prior to the merger, at \$100 per share, on the basis of one share of new stock for each five shares of stock then owned by such stockholders respectively. Two hundred and eighty shares of the authorized stock, not needed for the purposes of the merger, were authorized to be sold to employees of The Manhattan Company, at the price of \$100 per share.

The capital stock of the Merchants Bank at the time of its merger into The Manhattan Company was \$3,000,000, consisting of 30,000 shares of the par value of \$100 each, all of which were listed upon the New York Stock Exchange. On March 1 1920, the said Bank, then known as The Merchants National Bank of the City of New York, was converted from a national into a State bank, under the name of The Merchants Bank of the City of New York.

Dividends have been paid regularly upon the stock of The Manhattan Company since the date of the original listing of such stock. During the last five years dividends have been paid as follows: 1915, 15%; 1916, 16%; 1917, 16%; 1918, 23%; 1919, 20%.

The recent references to the Bank of the Manhattan Company merger with the Merchants Bank appeared in the "Chronicle" of March 27, April 3 and April 17.

The New York State Superintendent of Banks, on July 12, 1920, approved the organization certificate of The North American Bank with capital of \$200,000, surplus \$100,000, contingent fund \$20,000. The bank is to be located at Nos. 54-58 Canal Street and No. 7 Orchard Street, New York City. It will open for business about August 1st. The organizers are:

Arnold Kohn, for many years Vice-President of The State Bank;
Max Straus, of Straus & Company, Bankers;
Samuel O. Ochs of Plum & Ochs, Ltd.;
Eugene Lamb Richards, former Superintendent of Banks;
Walter T. Kohn of Weschler & Kohn, Attorneys;
M. H. Harris, Optician;
Fred Kalb of Tavares-Kalb Co.;
S. A. Glushanok of Glushanok & Hill.

The officers of the bank are to be: Arnold Kohn, President and Max Straus, Vice-President. The following are the Directors chosen:

Arnold Kohn, Max Straus, Eugene Lamb Richards, Walter T. Kohn and M. H. Harris.

The par value of the stock is \$100, but it has been fully subscribed for at \$160 which provides the capital, surplus and contingent fund above referred to.

The Bank of the Manhattan Company of this city on July 8 opened a branch office in Cypress Hills at the intersection of Hale, Arlington and Fulton streets. The branch is under the management of Harry A. Waldman.

The Chase National Bank of the City of New York announces the appointment of Dr. B. N. Anderson, Jr. as Economist, effective July 12. Dr. Anderson leaves a similar post at the National Bank of Commerce in New York to accept this appointment. In announcing this the Chase National says:

Dr. Anderson is known as an authoritative writer on economic and financial subjects, both in the United States and in Europe. He is the author of three books: "Social Value," published in 1911; "The Value of Money," published in 1917; and "The Effects of the War on Money, Credit and Banking in France and the United States," published in 1919. He has written numerous articles which have appeared in various scientific and financial journals, and in the metropolitan press. He is best known for his work in the theory of value and prices, his investigations in money and banking, and for his statistical estimates of the income of the United States and the ratio of foreign to domestic trade. He has also written on problems of foreign trade and foreign investment, price fixing and war finance, and business forecasting.

Dr. Anderson graduated from the University of Missouri in 1906. He took his Master's degree at the University of Illinois in 1910, and the degree of Doctor of Philosophy in Economics at Columbia University in 1911. He was Professor of English Literature and economics at Missouri Valley College, 1906-07, and Head of the Department of History and Economics at the State Teachers' College at Springfield, Mo. from 1907 to 1911. He was made Instructor in Economics at Columbia University in 1911, and Assistant Professor of Economics at Columbia University in 1913. He was then called to Harvard University as Assistant Professor of Economics in 1913, leaving Harvard in 1918 to go to the National Bank of Commerce in New York. He was Associate Editor of the "Quarterly Journal of Economics" from 1913 to 1918. He was a member of the Committee of the American Economic Association on "The Purchasing Power of Money in War Time," and also of the Committee on "Price-Fixing." He is at present a member of the American Economic Association Committee on "Stabilizing the Dollar." He is a member of the New York Academy of Political Science, and of the Chamber of Commerce of the State of New York.

Howard Marshall, formerly President of the New York Credit Men's Association and director of the National Associ-

ation of Credit Men, has been appointed Assistant Cashier of the American Exchange National Bank of this city.

At their meeting on July 12 the stockholders of the National Park Bank of this city voted to increase the capital of the institution from \$5,000,000 to \$7,500,000. As stated in our issues of June 12 and 26 the additional stock is to be offered to stockholders of record July 19 at par (\$100). The enlarged capital will become effective August 2.

At a meeting on July 15, the stockholders of the Broadway Central Bank of this city voted to increase the capital of the institution from \$100,000 to \$200,000. The additional stock is to be disposed of to existing stockholders at \$150 per share, the par value being \$100.

At their special meeting held on July 12 the stockholders of the Pacific Bank of this city voted to change the number of shares of stock from 20,000 of a par value of \$50 to 10,000 of a par value of \$100. Reference to this proposed change appeared in these columns July 3.

Frank Trumbull, formerly Chairman of the Board of the Chesapeake & Ohio RR., died on the 12th inst. at Santa Barbara, Cal., in his sixty-third year. Mr. Trumbull at the time of his death was a director of the National City Bank of this city. His railroad career began when he was sixteen years of age, but he had been obliged to go to work four years before, and at the age of fourteen was a Deputy Postmaster at Pleasant Hill, Missouri, his native State. His first position in the railroad world was as a clerk in the Comptroller's office of the Missouri Kansas & Texas RR. at Sedalia, being associated with its accounting department until 1880. In 1881 he joined the Missouri Pacific and remained there until 1886, when he became Auditor of the Texas & Pacific, serving for four years, when he became identified with Colorado's coal interests, incidentally acting as expert in railroad and other affairs for New York and London bankers. He again re-entered the railroad field and in 1893 was appointed receiver and General Manager of the Union Pacific Denver & Gulf. In 1899 he was made President of the Colorado & Southern RR.; he later accepted the post as Chairman of the Board of the Chesapeake & Ohio. He had also been President and Chairman of the Board of the Hocking Valley Ry. Co. and Chairman of the Board of the Missouri Kansas & Texas Ry. Co. Mr. Trumbull was active in the affairs of the Association of Railway Executives, not only having been one of the principals in its organization but having served as Chairman of that body.

To meet the demands of increased business the United States Mortgage & Trust Co., of this City, has doubled the space occupied by its 125th Street Branch at 8th Avenue, by the leasing of the two adjoining westerly stores. The Safe Deposit space will also be increased.

The establishment in New York of an agency of the Banco Nacional Ultramarino, a Portugal bank, is announced. The New York office is located in the Singer Building, 91-93 Liberty Street. The bank will pay particular attention to handling foreign business for other banks. Plans for the opening of the local office were referred to in these columns June 12. The Banco Nacional Ultramarino was established in 1864 and has its head office in Lisbon, Portugal. The present capital is \$51,788,160. The bank has 69 branches in the various countries of the world and intends within the immediate future to establish additional branches at Bombay and Hongkong.

The bank maintains its own warehouses in foreign ports, so that it is in a most strategic position to handle shipments for other banks. The managing director of the bank is E. F. Davies. He was formerly foreign exchange manager of the London County and Westminster Bank and occupied the position of chairman for the committee on relief of stranded Americans when the war broke out. Dividends have averaged 6%, but during the last two years the dividends have increased to 20%, in addition to increases in the bank's reserve fund. The Banco Nacional Ultramarino, it is stated, is the only Portuguese bank authorized to issue notes in the Portuguese colonies. This privilege is granted to only one bank, and competition for such authorization is keen. Last year, however, the Banco Nacional Ultramarino was the successful competitor and its charter was renewed for twenty-five years. Joseph McCurrach, the

new manager for the New York branch, comes to New York from the Continental and Commercial National Bank of Chicago, of which he has been Vice-President. His previous experience was with the Northern Trust Co. of Chicago, with the Bank of Montreal, Canada, and with the Union Bank in Scotland. Practically his entire business experience has been along the lines of overseas banking.

Joseph H. Mead announces his resignation as Vice-President of the Citizens Bank of White Plains, N. Y., effective July 13, to accept a position with the investment banking house of S. W. Straus & Co. of New York. Mr. Mead will open a White Plains office in Room 208 of the Realty Building, at 185-187 Main Street, where he will conduct a business in first mortgage 6% bonds under the Straus plan.

Charles L. Farrell, President of the National Newark & Essex Banking Co., of Newark, N. J., was elected a director of the Mutual Benefit Life Insurance Co. on July 7. Mr. Farrell fills the vacancy created by the death in May last of Marcus L. Ward.

The Philadelphia Stock Exchange has admitted to the list \$104,700 (1,047 shares) additional capital stock of the Fidelity Trust Co. of Philadelphia, being the balance of a total of \$200,000 (2,000 shares) to be listed upon official notice of issuance in exchange for shares of stock of the Logan Trust Co., making the total amount of stock listed \$5,200,000. The increase in the capital of the Fidelity Trust Co. from \$5,000,000 to \$5,200,000 was referred to in our issue of June 12.

J. Walter Oster, heretofore Assistant to the President of the National Bank of Commerce of Baltimore, Md., has been elected Cashier to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation as Cashier of G. Harry Barnes. Mr. Barnes's resignation as Cashier was due to his ill-health. He had served in the dual office of Vice-President and Cashier and will retain his office as Vice-President. Prior to becoming associated with the National Bank of Commerce, Mr. Oster had been Vice-President of the National Howard Bank until the time when it was sold to the National Exchange Bank five years ago, when he became associated with the National Bank of Commerce. The new capital of the National Bank of Commerce, namely, \$1,200,000 (authorized, as indicated in our issue of Feb. 14, on Feb. 4), became available July 7 1920.

At a meeting on July 6 the directors of the Continental Trust Co. of Baltimore, Md., elected J. K. Voshell a director of the institution. Thomas E. Cottman was elected a member of the Executive Committee to succeed the late Jere H. Wheelwright.

A new committee to supervise the trust department of the Fidelity Trust Co. of Baltimore has just been named. The Chairman of the committee is Van Lear Black, now Chairman of the Board of the institution, and the other members are former Judge Henry D. Harlan, Charles M. Cohn, Seymour Mandelbaum and Howell Fisher. The committee will advise on the purchase and handling of securities bought and held for the estates in its charge.

At a reorganization meeting of the Iron & Glass Dollar Savings Bank of Pittsburgh, held on July 7, the directors elected Edward P. Logan, for many years President of the institution, Chairman of the Board, and made F. William Rudel President to succeed Mr. Logan. Other appointments were: John Gray, elected Vice-President; Harry R. Donnally made Cashier, and Charles H. Davies appointed Assistant Cashier. The promotion of Mr. Rudel and Mr. Donnally as President and Cashier, respectively, was, it is said, as a recognition of long and faithful service.

At a meeting of the directors of the Guardian Savings & Trust Co. of Cleveland, Ohio, on July 6, W. R. Green, W. D. Purdon and A. R. Fraser formerly Secretary, Treasurer, and Assistant Secretary, respectively, were elected Vice-Presidents. R. P. Sears, heretofore Cashier was elected Secretary and L. E. Holmden, previously Assistant Treasurer was made Treasurer.

At the meeting on July 1 the stockholders of the Continental & Commercial National Bank of Chicago, Ill. ratified the proposal to increase the capital of the institution from \$21,500,000 to \$25,000,000. As stated in our issue of June 26 the additional stock is to be disposed of to stockholders of record July 1 at par (\$100) and is to be allotted at the rate of 16.279% of their holdings, payments on the new stock to be made by August 1.

A new bank is in process of organization in St. Paul, Minn. under the name of the Wabash National Bank. A charter for the proposed bank has been issued by the Comptroller of the Currency. It is to have a capital of \$200,000 in shares of \$100; the stock is to be sold at \$125 per share. P. D. Reagan is President; E. Villaume, Vice-President; and Roy E. Pope, Cashier. The bank is erecting a new building and will begin business about October 1.

The Commercial National Bank of Fond du Lac, Wis., has increased its capital from \$250,000 to \$375,000. In addition it reports a surplus of \$200,000. The total assets of the bank on June 30 were \$4,612,791. The new capital became available June 28. It was authorized by the stockholders on May 3. The price at which the additional stock was disposed of was \$165 per \$100 share.

A booklet relative to the organization (as of June 1) of the Bankers' Trust Co. of Denver announces the scope of its business as including savings deposits; checking accounts of individuals; inactive deposits of corporations, banks and individuals; complete trust service as trustee, executor administrator, and guardian of estates; as fiscal and transfer agent and registrar of bonds and stocks of corporations and municipalities; as assignee and receiver. It will also engage in the purchase and sale of high-grade investment securities including municipal and corporation bonds and notes and farm loans. The formation of the new company was mentioned in "The Chronicle" of May 8, and the booklet calls attention to the fact (already noted in these columns) that its organization carries with it the acquisition of the bond and securities business of Sweet, Causey, Foster & Co., and of Wright-Swan & Co., both of which have for many years been active in the organization and distribution of securities in the territory between the Missouri River and the Pacific Coast. The organization of the Bankers' Trust is made up as follows:

A. C. Foster, President.
 James N. Wright, Vice-President in charge of Securities Division.
 Henry Swan, Vice-President in charge of Banking Division.
 Clark G. Mitchell, Vice-President and Secretary in charge of New Business Division.
 William D. Downs, Vice-President, active in advisory capacities only.
 R. W. Crosby, Treasurer and assistant to Vice-President in charge of Securities Division.
 J. D. Hitch, Manager Farm Loan department.
 P. O. Dittmar, Auditor and assistant to Vice-President in charge of Banking Division.
 K. A. Kennedy, Manager of Securities Sales department.
 A. I. Peck, Manager Municipal Bond department.

Of the partners of Sweet, Causey, Foster & Company. Mr. Foster is identified with the trust company as President; Messrs. Causey and Sweet are on the board of directors, but are not active in the trust company's affairs; Messrs. Wright, Swan and Mitchell, all active partners of Wright-Swan & Company, are Vice-Presidents of the trust company. Mr. Foster is also Vice-President and director of the United States National Bank of Denver, a director of the Denver Branch of the Federal Reserve Bank of Kansas City, and he was formerly Vice-President and a member of the Board of Governors of the Investment Bankers' Association of America. The directorate of the Bankers' Trust is made up of Messrs. Foster, Wright, Downs, Swan, Mitchell and Crosby, and the following:

John C. Mitchell, President of the Denver National Bank.
 James Ringold, Vice-President of the United States National Bank.
 J. F. Welborn, President C. F. & I. Co.
 William V. Hodges, Attorney.
 S. N. Hicks, President Mountain Motors Co.
 J. M. B. Petrikin, President First National Bank, Greeley.
 William E. Sweet.
 Frank T. Metzler, President J. S. Brown Mercantile Co.
 W. E. Porter.

The Security National Bank of Oklahoma City, Okla., has increased its capital to the extent of \$200,000, the amount having been raised from \$300,000 to \$500,000. The new stock, authorized by the stockholders on May 15, and disposed of at par, \$100 per share, became effective July 1.

A charter has been issued by the Comptroller of the Currency for the Commercial National Bank and Trust Company of Emporia, Kansas with a capital of \$100,000, representing a conversion of the Commercial State Bank of Emporia. F. M. Arnold is President and H. A. Osborn is Vice-President and Cashier. The change to a National institution became effective July 9. Reference to the application for a charter for the Commercial National was made in these columns June 12.

The National State & City Bank of Richmond, Va., celebrated its golden anniversary on July 7. The event is commemorated by a handsomely printed and illustrated booklet of 44 pages bearing the significant caption, "Fifty Years of Service." Last year, 1919, was the banner year of the bank's history in earnings and deposits, and the present management will continue its progressively conservative policy "ever mindful of the fact that the institution is a quasi-public servant, vitally concerned with the constructive growth of the city, the State, and the nation."

The Third National Bank of Gastonia, North Carolina, has increased its capital from \$100,000 to \$250,000, effective July 1. The stockholders at a special meeting on June 11 authorized the additional stock; the price at which it was disposed of was \$125 per share, par \$100.

The Citizens National Bank of Los Angeles, Cal. has issued \$300,000 of new stock, thus serving to increase the capital from \$1,500,000 to \$1,800,000. The latter became effective June 25; the stockholders voted to enlarge the capital on April 29. The price at which the new issue was sold was \$250 per \$100 share.

The Citizen's National Bank, of The Dalles, Ore., has been organized with a capital stock of \$160,000 which will be raised to \$200,000. P. J. Stadelman is President; Dr. A. J. Reuter is Vice-President; Harry Greene Cashier and Joseph Tureck, Assistant-Cashier.

The Astoria National Bank of Astoria, Oregon, has increased its capital to \$400,000 and its surplus to \$80,000. The proposal we are advised was unanimously ratified by the stockholders. The par value of the stock is \$100, book value \$120, and the sale of 1,000 shares of stock was made to new stockholders at \$150 a share. Official advices to us state that the bank could have sold two or three times that amount had it been available, at \$150 per share. A consolidation has been effected between the Astoria National Bank and the Scandinavian American Bank of Astoria.

At a Board meeting held at Basle on June 28, Leopold Dubois hitherto Managing Director of the Swiss Bank Corporation was elected President of the Corporation and Charles Schlumberger a second Vice-President. F. Zahn-Geigy continues to act as first Vice-President.

THE ENGLISH GOLD AND SILVER MARKETS.

We reprint the following from the weekly circular of Samuel Montagu & Co. of London, written under date of June 24 1920:

GOLD.

The Bank of England gold reserve against the note issue is £116,735,685 a slight increase of £6,445 compared with that of last week. A fair amount of gold came on offer and was taken for India, the Straits Settlements and New York. New York reports the receipt of \$4,000,000 in gold from Canada.

The anomalous condition to which the adverse trade balance of India has brought its exchange inspired an announcement by the Government of India on the 21st inst. that the prohibition against private imports of gold bullion and foreign coin was forthwith removed, and that after 21 days' interval that against British gold coin was to be cancelled. The object of the delay in the case of the latter was to correspond with an ordinance of the Governor-General promulgated on the same date enacting that British gold coin should no longer be legal tender in India, but that any person could, within 21 days of the date of the ordinance, demand currency notes at an office of a circle of issue in exchange for the tender of British gold coin at the rate of 15 rupees to the sovereign. It is officially announced that a bill will be submitted at the forthcoming session of the Indian legislative Council to make the sovereign legal tender in India for 10 rupees. This would fix the minimum but not the maximum rupee value of the sovereign, for, so long as no legal restriction is made as to the coin being melted down and used as material for jewelers, &c., such coin is likely to change hands at a premium varying with the market price of gold bullion.

The natives of India, however, will not be assured of an influx of sovereigns at ten rupees the sovereign, for gold sovereigns (or bullion) will only be imported into India at a figure based more or less upon the London market price of gold plus cost of transmission to India. Thus gold remittances will cost 2s. the rupee (one-tenth of a sovereign) plus the gold premium on the currency pound and expenses of transmission. The India Council propose to reduce the rates for Reverse Councils to 1s. 11 19-32d. for immediates and 1s. 11 11-16d. for deferreds, so that, when the gold premium in the currency pound disappears, it is likely that the exchange will be stabilized in the neighborhood of 2s. The lower official appreciation of the sovereign will probably encourage the natives of India to amass and

hoard gold in preference to silver, for they will feel confident that any fresh change in the relative value of the two metals arising from fresh official currency regulations can hardly be in any other direction than to enhance the rupee value of the more precious metal.

In the returns of Indian exports and imports of gold the total exports of gold bullion for March last were 1,619,277 ounces, but those for the preceding 8 months were only 1,335,235. The total for the nine months, 3,954,512 ounces (worth at Bank of England price about £16,800,000, or at the then current rate, say, £6 the ounce, about £23,725,000), was imported to carry out the policy of the Indian Government, which aimed at reducing the premium on gold in India by making sales to the Indian Bazaars against tenders.

SILVER.

During the week the market has been swayed more or less by speculative influences emanating from the United States. Apart from purchases under the Pittman Act, bull factors seem at the present time to be absent from the world position of silver. The United States Mint purchases do not of themselves augur rising quotations, rather do they point to a temporary stemming of the ebb, which, though perhaps not with even flow, seems to be carrying the value of silver to one more consonant with the post-war value of this commodity. We are informed that two amounts of domestic silver, one of 1,500,000 ounces and another of 1,600,000 ounces, have been acquired by the United States Mint at one dollar the ounce, whilst, at the same time as the former purchase, 600,000 ounces of alien material were bought at the market rate. Recent American silver operations here and possibly some in the Far East, appear to have had for an object the justification of a high market quotation in the United States. Obviously such a result would suit smelters and others in that country who would thus be the better able to dispose favorably of foreign metal placed in refineries since Jan. 17 last, of which the United States Mint is prepared to relieve them at the current market figure. Further, if the market quotation for foreign silver fell heavily below that for domestic, an agitation might arise for the repeal of the dollar repurchase price for the latter as specified in the Pittman Act. If the quantity of foreign silver in mixed parcels tendered falls short—from some reason or other—of the purchases made outside America with a view to stabilizing the world market of the metal, the baby may be a heavy one to nurse, for the world production plus the sale of demonetized coin will continue to swell supplies from day to day. The only substantial absorption therefore outside of America that can be expected at the present time (now that Chinese exports are at a standstill) seems to be an exchange for silver of the very large amounts of gold imported by China during the last year or so. Before that takes place the relation between the two metals must be so readjusted that China will be led to consider gold dear and silver cheap. In other words, the sterling value of the latter metal must come down. We learn to-day that the steamship China left San Francisco on June 21 with 2,175,000 ounces of silver for Shanghai and 600,000 ounces for Hongkong. It will be interesting to watch how such a substantial addition to the stocks to China will be welcomed.

INDIAN CURRENCY RETURNS.

In Lacs of Rupees—	May 31.	June 7.	June 15.
Notes in circulation	16692	16663	16731
Silver coin and bullion in India	4137	4167	4227
Silver coin and bullion out of India	—	—	—
Gold coin and bullion in India	4286	4257	4340
Gold coin and bullion out of India	74	207	132
Securities (Indian Government)	3118	3555	3555
Securities (British Government)	5077	4477	4477

The coinage during the week ending 15th inst. amounted to 25 lacs of rupees. The stock in Shanghai on the 19th inst. consisted of about 38,700,000 ounces in sycee, \$18,400,000 and 9 lacs of silver bars and United States dollars, as compared with about 39,240,000 ounces in sycee, \$17,500,000 and 18 lacs of silver bars and United States dollars on June 12 1920. The Shanghai exchange is quoted 5s. the tael.

Quotations—	Bar Silver per Oz. Std.—		Bar Gold per Oz. Fine.
	Cash.	2 Mos.	
June 18	49½d.	48¾d.	103s. 2d.
June 19	50½d.	50½d.	—
June 21	51½d.	51¼d.	103s. 4d.
June 22	52½d.	51½d.	103s. 4d.
June 23	51½d.	50¾d.	103s. 6d.
June 24	50½d.	49¾d.	104s.
Average	50.937d.	50.396d.	103s. 5.6d.

The silver quotations to-day for cash and forward delivery are 1½d. and ½d. above those fixed a week ago.

We have also received this week the circular written under date of June 30 1920:

GOLD.

Only a small amount of gold was available this week; it was taken for America. The "Times of India" under date of May 5 last stated as follows: "On the arrival at Rangoon of the steamer Hing Moh from China and the Straits a Customs officer made a large seizure of gold coins in the water tank. The full amount of the seizure is not yet known, but hitherto over £15,000 worth of British and American gold coins have been counted. The water is being pumped out of the tank where other boxes are still unrecovered." The same journal also stated under date of May 22: "It is generally believed that the amount of gold smuggled into this country is even greater than the amount officially sold by the Government. The whole country prefers gold to silver, and, now that the marriage season has ended and there will be no Hindu weddings during the next twelve months, the present colossal absorption can only be for hoarding purposes."

SILVER.

The market has been of a steady character since we last addressed you, mainly on account of speculative purchases and the scantiness of supplies from the Continent. On the 28th inst. there was quite a sharp rise of 2½d. in the price for prompt delivery owing to bear covering. The tendency at the moment is rather uncertain, as the apparent steadiness has not been the outcome of strength imported from India or from China. In the case of the former exchange has been extremely weak—a factor against purchases for the Indian Bazaars, whilst in the case of the latter Chinese exports are still almost immobile. A certain amount of selling from New York has been elicited at the higher rates current the last few days.

INDIAN CURRENCY RETURNS.

In Lacs of Rupees—	June 7.	June 15.	June 22.
Notes in circulation	16663	16731	16655
Silver coin and bullion in India	4167	4227	4329
Silver coin and bullion out of India	—	—	—
Gold coin and bullion in India	4257	4340	4390
Gold coin and bullion out of India	207	132	354
Securities (Indian Government)	3555	3555	3555
Securities (British Government)	4477	4477	4027

The coinage during the week ending 22d inst. amounted to 14 lacs of rupees. The stock in Shanghai on the 26th inst. consisted of about 38,150,000 ounces in sycee, \$18,500,000 and 23 lacs of silver bars and United States dollars, as compared with about 38,700,000 ounces in sycee, \$18,400,000 and 9 lacs of silver bars and United States dollars on June 19 1920. The Shanghai exchange is quoted 5s. 1d. the tael.

Quotations—	Bar Silver per Oz. std.—		Bar Gold per Oz. Fine.
	Cash.	2 Months.	
June 25	50¼d.	49¾d.	103s. 7d.
June 26	50½d.	50½d.	—
June 28	53d.	52½d.	103s. 7d.
June 29	52½d.	51½d.	104s.
June 30	52d.	50¾d.	104s.
Average	51.65d.	50.85d.	103s. 9½d.

The silver quotations to-day for cash and forward delivery are ¾d. 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:

London,	July 10.	July 12.	July 13.	July 14.	July 15.	July 16.
Week ending July 16.	Sat.	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thurs.	Fri.
Silver, per oz.	52½	53½	53½	53½	53½	52½
Gold, per fine oz.	104s. 1d.	104s. 3d.	104s. 6d.	105s.	106s. 6d.	106s. 6d.
Consols, 2½ per cents.	Holiday	47½	47¼	47¼	47¼	47
British, 5 per cents.	Holiday	86½	86½	86	86	85¾
British, 4½ per cents.	Holiday	77	77¼	77½	77½	77½
French Rentes (in Paris) fr.	—	57.35	57.95	58.05	58.20	58.50
French War L'n (in Paris) fr.	—	88.45	88.50	88.50	88.50	88.50

The price of silver in New York on the same day has been:

Silver in N. Y., per oz.—	Domestic	Foreign
cts.	99½	92½
cts.	99¼	92¾
cts.	99½	93½
cts.	99½	93
cts.	99½	92¼
cts.	99½	90¼

TRADE AND TRAFFIC MOVEMENTS.

STEEL PRODUCTION IN JUNE.—The American Iron & Steel Institute has issued a statement from which it appears that the production of steel ingots in June 1920 by 30 companies which in 1918 produced about 84.03% of the total output in that year, aggregated 2,980,690 tons, comprising 2,287,273 tons open hearth, 675,954 tons Bessemer and 17,463 tons all other grades. During June 1919 these same companies made 2,219,219 tons, including 1,692,257 tons open hearth, 521,634 tons Bessemer and 5,328 tons all other grades. The production by months in 1920 was as follows:

Months—	Gross tons.			
	Open Hearth.	Bessemer.	All Other.	Total.
January 1920	2,242,758	714,657	10,687	2,968,102
February	2,152,106	700,151	12,867	2,865,124
March	2,487,245	795,164	16,640	3,299,049
April	2,056,336	568,952	13,017	2,638,305
May	2,251,544	615,932	15,688	2,883,164
June	2,287,273	675,954	17,463	2,980,690

UNFILLED ORDERS OF STEEL CORPORATION.—

The United States Steel Corporation on Saturday, July 10, issued its regular monthly statement showing unfilled orders on the books of the subsidiary corporations as of June 30 1920, to the amount of 10,978,817 tons. This is a gain of 38,351 tons over the amount on hand as of May 31 last, and an increase of no less than 6,085,962 tons over the unfilled orders on hand a year ago at this time.

In the following we give comparisons with previous months:

Tons.		Tons.		Tons.	
June 30 1920	10,978,817	Feb. 28 1917	11,576,097	Oct. 31 1913	4,513,767
May 31 1920	10,940,466	Jan. 31 1917	11,474,054	Sept. 30 1913	5,003,785
Apr. 30 1920	10,359,747	Dec. 31 1916	11,547,286	Aug. 31 1913	5,223,468
Mar. 30 1920	9,892,075	Nov. 30 1916	11,058,542	July 31 1913	5,399,356
Feb. 28 1920	9,502,081	Oct. 31 1916	10,015,260	June 30 1913	5,807,317
Jan. 31 1920	9,285,441	Sept. 30 1916	9,522,584	May 31 1913	6,324,322
Dec. 31 1919	8,265,366	Aug. 31 1916	9,660,357	April 30 1913	6,978,762
Nov. 30 1919	7,128,330	July 31 1916	9,593,592	Mar. 31 1913	7,468,956
Oct. 31 1919	6,472,668	June 30 1916	9,640,458	Feb. 28 1913	7,656,714
Sept. 30 1919	6,284,638	May 31 1916	9,937,798	Jan. 31 1913	7,827,368
Aug. 31 1919	6,109,103	April 30 1916	9,829,551	Dec. 31 1912	7,932,164
July 31 1919	5,578,661	Mar. 31 1916	9,331,001	Nov. 30 1912	7,852,883
June 30 1919	4,892,855	Feb. 29 1916	8,568,966	Oct. 31 1912	7,594,381
May 31 1919	4,282,310	Jan. 31 1916	7,922,767	Sept. 30 1912	6,551,507
Apr. 30 1919	4,800,685	Dec. 31 1915	7,806,220	Aug. 31 1912	6,163,375
Mar. 31 1919	5,430,572	Nov. 30 1915	7,189,489	July 31 1912	5,957,073
Feb. 28 1919	6,010,787	Oct. 31 1915	6,165,452	June 30 1912	5,807,349
Jan. 31 1919	6,684,268	Sept. 30 1915	5,317,618	May 31 1912	5,750,986
Dec. 31 1918	7,379,152	Aug. 31 1915	4,908,455	April 30 1912	5,664,885
Nov. 30 1918	8,124,663	July 31 1915	4,928,540	Mar. 31 1912	5,304,841
Oct. 31 1918	8,353,298	June 30 1915	4,678,196	Feb. 29 1912	5,454,201
Sept. 30 1918	8,297,905	May 31 1915	4,264,598	Jan. 31 1912	5,379,721
Aug. 31 1918	8,759,042	April 30 1915	4,162,244	Dec. 31 1911	5,084,765
July 31 1918	8,883,801	Mar. 31 1915	4,255,749	Nov. 30 1911	4,141,958
June 30 1918	8,918,866	Feb. 28 1915	4,345,371	Oct. 31 1911	3,694,327
May 31 1918	8,337,623	Jan. 31 1915	4,248,571	Sept. 30 1911	3,611,315
April 30 1918	8,741,882	Dec. 31 1914	3,836,643	Aug. 31 1911	3,695,985
Mar. 31 1918	9,056,404	Nov. 30 1914	3,324,592	July 31 1911	3,584,088
Feb. 28 1918	9,288,453	Oct. 31 1914	3,461,097	June 30 1911	3,361,087
Jan. 31 1918	9,477,853	Sept. 30 1914	3,787,667	May 31 1911	3,113,154
Dec. 31 1917	9,381,718	Aug. 31 1914	4,213,331	April 30 1911	3,218,700
Nov. 30 1917	8,897,106	July 31 1914	4,158,589	Mar. 31 1911	3,447,301
Oct. 31 1917	9,009,675	June 30 1914	4,032,857	Feb. 28 1911	3,400,543
Sept. 30 1917	9,833,477	May 31 1914	3,998,160	Jan. 31 1911	3,110,919
Aug. 31 1917	10,407,049	April 30 1914	4,277,068	Dec. 31 1910	2,674,760
July 31 1917	10,844,164	Mar. 31 1914	4,653,825	Nov. 30 1910	2,760,413
June 30 1917	11,383,287	Feb. 28 1914	5,026,440	Oct. 31 1910	2,871,949
May 31 1917	11,886,591	Jan. 31 1914	4,613,680	Sept. 30 1910	3,148,106
April 30 1917	12,183,083	Dec. 31 1913	4,282,108	Aug. 31 1910	3,537,123
Mar. 31 1917	11,711,644	Nov. 30 1913	4,396,347	July 31 1910	3,970,931

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Breadstuffs figures brought from page 308.—The statements 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. 196lbs.	bush. 60 lbs.	bush. 56 lbs.	bush. 56 lbs.	bush. 48lbs.	bush. 56lbs.
Chicago	153,000	277,000	1,821,000	1,050,000	132,000	77,000
Minneapolis	-----	1,716,000	126,000	262,000	189,000	102,000
Duluth	-----	736,000	-----	145,000	17,000	425,000
Milwaukee	13,000	61,000	715,000	592,000	164,000	263,000
Quebec	-----	51,000	40,000	36,000	-----	-----
Detroit	-----	23,000	29,000	55,000	-----	-----
St. Louis	85,000	569,000	788,000	724,000	21,000	10,000
Peoria	40,000	5,000	367,000	297,000	35,000	4,000
Kansas City	-----	764,000	200,000	127,000	-----	-----
Omaha	-----	401,000	461,000	218,000	-----	-----
Indianapolis	-----	36,000	480,000	224,000	-----	-----
Total wk. '20	291,000	4,639,000	5,027,000	3,730,000	558,000	898,000
Same wk. '19	292,000	3,384,000	3,380,000	5,260,000	3,020,000	611,000
Same wk. '18	149,000	5,221,000	4,673,000	5,385,000	195,000	42,000
Since Aug. 1—						
1919-20	19,136,000	424,280,000	210,332,000	204,135,000	32,284,000	36,341,000
1918-19	16,191,000	405,133,000	223,796,000	283,462,000	96,069,000	38,946,000
1917-18	15,108,000	172,606,000	236,391,000	314,344,000	52,743,000	23,163,000

Total receipts of flour and grain at the seaboard ports for the week ended July 10 1920 follow:

Receipts at—	Flour.	Wheat.	Corn.	Oats.	Barley.	Rye.
	Barrels.	Bushels.	Bushels.	Bushels.	Bushels.	Bushels.
New York	158,000	1,071,000	798,000	862,000	104,000	819,000
Philadelphia	90,000	226,000	11,000	6,000	1,000	6,000
Baltimore	25,000	810,000	27,000	14,000	-----	508,000
Norfolk	61,000	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
New Orleans*	111,000	915,000	112,000	39,000	-----	-----
Galveston	-----	797,000	2,000	-----	-----	-----
Montreal	103,000	1,527,000	22,000	124,000	9,000	168,000
Boston	26,000	-----	2,000	16,000	-----	-----
Total wk. '20	574,000	5,346,000	974,000	1,061,000	114,000	1,501,000
Since Jan. 1 '20	11,577,000	75,601,000	10,100,000	12,185,000	5,994,000	30,288,000
Week 1919	604,000	875,000	481,000	2,334,000	2,448,000	806,000
Since Jan. 1 '19	21,038,000	105,013,000	7,590,000	42,307,000	22,182,000	23,790,000

* 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 July 10 are shown in the annexed statement:

Exports from—	Wheat.	Corn.	Flour.	Oats.	Rye.	Barley.	Peas.
	Bushels.	Bushels.	Barrels.	Bushels.	Bushels.	Bushels.	Bushels.
New York	165,141	1,599	36,877	120,111	299,445	-----	-----
Boston	-----	-----	17,000	-----	-----	-----	-----
Philadelphia	881,000	-----	7,000	-----	368,000	-----	-----
Baltimore	549,000	-----	9,000	-----	215,000	-----	-----
Norfolk	-----	-----	61,000	-----	-----	-----	-----
New Orleans	460,000	52,000	15,000	16,000	-----	86,000	-----
Galveston	3,102,000	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
Montreal	2,866,000	-----	172,000	-----	159,000	92,000	-----
Total week	8,023,141	53,599	317,877	136,111	1,041,445	178,000	-----
Week 1919	2,252,675	12,000	485,500	1,360,288	170,000	1,626,656	21,999

The destination of these exports for the week and since shown in the following:

Exports for Week and Since July 1 to—	Flour.		Wheat.		Corn.	
	Week July 10 1920.	Since July 1 1920.	Week July 10 1920.	Since July 1 1920.	Week July 10 1920.	Since July 1 1920.
United Kingdom	113,181	184,527	3,466,579	5,007,281	-----	-----
Continent	189,696	661,573	4,556,562	6,863,293	1,599	1,599
So. & Cent. Amer.	9,000	14,000	-----	-----	-----	-----
West Indies	6,000	15,000	-----	-----	52,000	84,000
Brit. No. Am. Colonies	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
Other Countries	-----	50,632	-----	127,467	-----	-----
Total	317,877	925,732	8,023,141	11,998,041	53,599	85,599
Total 1919	485,500	982,507	2,252,674	3,293,150	12,000	155,255

The world's shipment of wheat and corn for the week ending July 10 1920 and since July 1 1920 and 1919 are shown in the following:

Exports.	Wheat.			Corn.		
	1920.		1919.	1920.		1919.
	Week July 10.	Since July 1.	Since July 1.	Week July 10.	Since July 1.	Since July 1.
North Amer.	7,629,000	16,572,000	12,654,000	34,000	58,000	102,000
Russia	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
Danube	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
Argentina	7,905,000	14,167,000	6,714,000	2,919,000	6,797,000	2,240,000
Australia	1,032,000	3,504,000	2,880,000	-----	-----	-----
India	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
Oth. countr's	-----	-----	228,000	-----	-----	242,000
Total	16,566,000	34,243,000	22,476,000	2,953,000	6,845,000	2,589,000

The visible supply of grain, comprising the stocks in granary at principal points of accumulation at lake and seaboard ports July 10 1920 was as follows:

United States—	Wheat.	Corn.	Oats.	Rye.	Barley.
	bush.	bush.	bush.	bush.	bush.
New York	1,076,000	87,000	502,000	875,000	91,000
Boston	1,000	8,000	2,000	-----	-----
Philadelphia	1,977,000	84,000	148,000	21,000	16,000
Baltimore	1,761,000	174,000	82,000	641,000	1,000
New Orleans	1,816,000	116,000	178,000	7,000	703,000
Galveston	1,463,000	-----	-----	160,000	70,000
Buffalo	849,000	327,000	53,000	94,000	247,000
Toledo	154,000	54,000	49,000	28,000	1,000
Detroit	11,000	14,000	43,000	27,000	-----
Chicago	896,000	1,884,000	1,028,000	149,000	466,000
" afloat	48,000	-----	-----	-----	-----
Milwaukee	43,000	585,000	154,000	14,000	161,000
Duluth	1,168,000	-----	232,000	372,000	192,000
Minneapolis	2,727,000	182,000	371,000	838,000	735,000
St. Louis	165,000	400,000	18,000	8,000	-----
Kansas City	3,382,000	325,000	61,000	30,000	-----
Peoria	-----	166,000	14,000	-----	-----
Indianapolis	63,000	572,000	62,000	-----	-----
Omaha	285,000	581,000	61,000	3,000	-----
On Lakes	218,000	-----	-----	363,000	-----
On Canal and River	279,000	-----	120,000	425,000	-----
Total July 10 1920	18,382,000	5,559,000	3,181,000	4,085,000	2,683,000
Total July 3 1920	19,799,000	4,364,000	3,623,000	4,423,000	2,632,000
Total July 12 1919	5,297,000	4,036,000	18,923,000	9,468,000	9,862,000
Total July 13 1918	925,000	10,200,000	10,775,000	729,000	1,444,000

Note.—Bonded grain not included above: Oats, 551,000 New York, 151,000 Buffalo afloat; total, 702,000, against 5,000 bushels in 1919; barley, New York 23,000; total, 23,000 bushels, against 150,000 bushels in 1919.

Canadian—	Wheat.	Corn.	Oats.	Rye.	Barley.
	bush.	bush.	bush.	bush.	bush.
Montreal	3,446,000	116,000	460,000	639,000	680,000
Pt. William & Pt. Arthur	1,608,000	-----	457,000	-----	1,188,000
Other Canadian	2,216,000	-----	191,000	-----	123,000
Total July 10 1920	7,270,000	116,000	1,108,000	639,000	1,291,000
Total July 3 1920	8,746,000	14,000	1,090,000	953,000	1,394,000
Total July 12 1919	6,992,000	7,000	4,134,000	305,000	2,447,000
Total July 13 1918	3,805,000	134,000	10,718,000	-----	998,000
Summary—					
American	18,382,000	5,559,000	3,181,000	4,085,000	2,683,000
Canadian	7,270,000	116,000	1,108,000	639,000	1,291,000
Total July 10 1920	25,652,000	5,675,000	4,289,000	4,724,000	3,974,000
Total July 3 1920	28,545,000	4,378,000	4,713,000	5,376,000	4,026,000
Total July 12 1919	12,289,000	4,043,000	23,077,000	9,773,000	12,309,000
Total July 13 1918	4,730,000	10,334,000	21,493,000	729,000	2,042,000

BANK NOTES—CHANGES IN TOTALS OF, AND IN DEPOSITED BONDS, &c.—We give below tables which show all the monthly changes in national bank notes and in bonds and legal tenders on deposit therefor:

1919-20.	Bonds and Legal Tenders on Deposit for—		Circulation Afloat Under—		
	Bonds.	Legal Tenders.	Bonds.	Legal Tenders.	Total.
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
June 30 1920	707,963,400	29,710,095	689,327,635	29,710,095	719,037,730
May 31 1920	706,307,750	31,039,887	686,225,000	31,039,887	717,264,887
Apr. 30 1920	704,884,000	31,288,577	692,104,195	31,288,577	723,392,772
Mar. 31 1920	704,000,000	32,439,832	691,498,920	32,439,832	723,938,752
Feb. 28 1920	701,469,450	32,892,677	689,748,578	32,892,677	722,641,255
Jan. 31 1920	699,936,250	33,241,792	699,866,398	33,241,792	733,108,190
Dec. 31 1919	699,357,550	32,649,434	691,689,258	32,649,434	724,338,692
Nov. 29 1919	698,196,300	33,146,580	688,995,550	33,146,580	722,142,160
Oct. 31 1919	695,822,060	34,727,572	687,666,753	34,727,572	722,394,325
Sept. 30 1919	696,288,160	34,024,987	687,460,223	34,024,987	721,485,210
Aug. 30 1919	694,621,710	35,328,665	689,235,005	35,328,665	724,563,670
July 31 1919	693,343,210	34,629,207	686,278,555	34,629,207	720,907,762
June 30 1919	692,252,950	36,19,0333	683,086,600	36,190,333	719,276,933

\$201,225,800 Federal Reserve bank notes outstanding June 30 (all secured by U. S. bonds), against \$187,666,980 in 1919.

The following shows the amount of each class of U. S. bonds held against national bank circulation and to secure public moneys held in national bank depositories on June 30:

Bonds on Deposit June 30 1920.	U. S. Bonds Held June 30 to Secure—		
	On Deposit to Secure Federal Reserve Bank Notes.	On Deposit to Secure National Bank Notes.	Total Held.
2s, U. S. Consols of 1930	13,888,400	570,418,200	584,306,600
4s, U. S. Loan of 1925	2,593,000	64,627,900	67,220,900
2s, U. S. Panama of 1936	383,500	47,689,040	48,072,540
2s, U. S. Panama of 1938	285,300	25,228,260	25,513,560
2s, One-year certificates of indebtedness	259,375,000	-----	259,375,000
Totals	276,525,200	707,963,400	984,488,600

The following shows the amount of national bank notes afloat and the amount of legal-tender deposits June 1 and July 1 and their increase or decrease during the month of June:

National Bank Notes—Total Afloat—	
Amount afloat June 1 1920</	

CAPITAL STOCK INCREASED.

	Amount of increase.	Cap'l when increased.
The First National Bank of Ypsilanti, Mich.	\$50,000	\$150,000
The Merchants National Bank of Hillsborough, O.	50,000	150,000
The First National Bank of St. Petersburg, Fla.	100,000	200,000
The Albion National Bank, Albion, Ill.	25,000	50,000
The Athens National Bank, Athens, N. Y.	25,000	50,000
The Peoples National Bank of Waynesboro, Pa.	100,000	200,000
The First National Bank of Raymond, Ill.	25,000	50,000
The First National Bank of Gordon, Texas	25,000	50,000
The First National Bank of Mount Olive, Ill.	35,000	70,000
The First National Bank of Wagener, S. C.	20,000	50,000
The Sixth National Bank of Philadelphia, Pa.	150,000	300,000
The First National Bank of Sapula, Okla.	50,000	100,000
The Warren National Bank, Warren, Minn.	20,000	50,000
The Lynchburg National Bank, Lynchburg, Va.	500,000	1,000,000
The First National Bank of Marcellus, N. Y.	25,000	75,000
The National Bank of Boyertown, Pa.	100,000	200,000
The Grove City National Bank, Grove City, Pa.	25,000	125,000
Total	\$1,325,000	

STOCK OF MONEY IN THE COUNTRY.—The following table shows the general stock of money in the country, as well as the holdings by the Treasury and the amount in circulation on the dates given:

	—Stock of Money July 1 '20—		—Money in Circulation—	
	in U. S.	held in Treas.	July 1 1920.	July 1 1919.
Gold coin (including bullion in Treasury)	2,687,512,862	401,208,993	6834,687,970	1,172,953,529
Gold certificates			390,522,843	542,219,728
Standard silver dollars	268,798,602	14,641,786	133,978,687	81,576,350
Silver certificates			118,521,774	169,939,003
Subsidiary silver	258,048,456	6,944,072	251,104,384	232,147,836
Treasury notes of 1890			1,656,355	1,745,230
United States notes	346,681,016	9,381,223	337,299,793	332,938,544
Federal Reserve notes	3,405,877,120	27,698,893	3,122,001,747	2,493,992,462
Fed'l Reserve Bank notes	201,225,800	2,490,609	198,735,191	163,682,696
National bank notes	719,037,730	22,691,896	696,345,834	649,831,150
Total	7,887,181,586	485,057,472	6,084,854,578	5,841,026,528

Population of continental United States estimated at 110,155,000. Circulation per capita, \$56.79.

a This statement of money held in the treasury as assets of the Government does not include deposits of public money in Federal Reserve banks and in national banks and special depositaries to the credit of the Treasurer of the United States amounting to \$350,458,290.59.

b Includes \$382,408,191.87 Federal Reserve Gold Settlement Fund deposited with Treasurer of United States.

c Includes own Federal Reserve notes held by Federal Reserve banks.

d Revised figures.

Note.—On July 1 1920 Federal Reserve banks and Federal Reserve agents held against Federal Reserve notes \$867,034,776 gold coin and bullion, \$194,058,280 gold certificates and \$256,176,480 Federal Reserve notes, a total of \$1,317,269,536, against \$1,168,599,200 on July 1 1919.

Canadian Bank Clearings.—The clearings for the week ending July 8 at Canadian cities, in comparison with the same week in 1919, show an increase in the aggregate of 21.4%.

Clearings at—	Week ending July 8.				
	1920.	1919.	Inc. or Dec.	1918.	1917.
Canada—	\$	\$	%	\$	\$
Montreal	140,183,884	132,210,587	+6.0	100,999,995	99,320,057
Toronto	113,574,789	86,816,576	+30.8	79,124,381	66,663,014
Winnipeg	48,169,622	38,240,880	+26.0	35,950,449	43,362,995
Vancouver	19,702,151	13,644,830	+44.4	10,855,937	8,073,599
Ottawa	12,009,162	8,806,749	+36.4	6,755,441	6,509,889
Quebec	9,994,554	7,532,361	+32.7	5,163,060	4,462,262
Halifax	7,931,493	6,597,048	+20.2	4,956,532	3,654,520
Calgary	8,803,780	6,806,516	+29.3	5,543,971	6,106,058
Hamilton	9,105,441	6,829,751	+33.3	5,442,962	4,668,276
St. John	4,390,959	2,908,640	+51.0	2,561,916	2,238,147
Victoria	3,490,360	3,436,649	+1.6	2,787,761	1,940,012
London	4,695,348	4,043,157	+16.1	2,915,113	2,339,058
Edmonton	6,088,453	4,284,251	+42.1	3,521,277	2,789,060
Regina	5,252,902	4,292,182	+22.4	3,049,935	3,343,470
Brandon	949,181	689,774	+37.7	620,704	462,012
Saskatoon	2,675,487	2,160,315	+23.8	1,772,821	1,653,061
Moose Jaw	2,150,529	1,694,353	+26.9	1,579,793	1,054,060
Lethbridge	781,334	781,694	—0.5	830,103	868,308
Brantford	1,844,273	1,296,140	+42.3	1,090,381	946,481
Fort William	965,057	822,110	+17.4	705,947	690,075
New Westminster	811,075	570,762	+42.2	812,001	335,097
Medicine Hat	448,845	474,881	—5.5	392,153	562,119
Peterborough	1,276,257	915,650	+39.4	665,488	736,288
Sherbrooke	1,788,245	948,720	+84.8	852,179	617,485
Kitchener	1,449,984	964,303	+50.3	724,470	368,254
Windsor	3,626,657	1,870,094	+93.9	1,225,375	—
Prince Albert	595,952	416,608	+43.0	253,685	—
Total Canada	412,755,774	340,092,581	+21.4	281,153,830	264,033,657

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

By Messrs. Adrian H. Muller & Sons, New York:	
Shares. Stocks.	Shares. Stocks.
10 Coal Run Land of W. Va., \$58.85 each.....\$8 per sh.	407 1-3 Algoma Cent. & Hud. Bay Ry., pref.....\$30 lot
19 Low Moor Iron of Va., com. \$4 per sh.	80 Criterion Concessions Corp., preferred.....\$50 per sh.
10 Low Moor Iron of Va., pf. \$8 per sh	
10 Rush Creek Land of W. Va., \$54.50 each.....\$8 per sh.	Bonds. <i>Per cent.</i>
9 Thurmond Land.....\$4 per sh.	\$1,000 Peoples Elevating, 1st 5s, '39 31
10 Central Union Trust of N. Y. \$370½ per sh.	\$2,000 Bergen Turnpike 1st 5s, 1951 31
1,000 Am. Ship. & Export, \$1 ea. \$16 lot	\$48,000 United Gas & Elec. 7% p.m. cts. of indebtedness..... 50
10 Brockton Heel, Inc., pref. \$25 lot	\$10,000 McWilliams Bros., Inc., 1st 5s, 1930.....\$6,900 lot
10 Brockton Heel, Inc., com. \$16 lot	\$5,000 Anglo-Amer. Develop. subse. partic. cts., 45% paid.....\$3 lot
300 Hale & Kilburn Corp., com. \$8½ per sh.	

By Messrs. Wise, Hobbs & Arnold, Boston:	
Shares. Stocks.	Shares. Stocks.
5 Arlington Mills..... 93	48 A. L. Sayles & Sons, com., \$25 each..... 29
½ U. S. Worst, common..... \$2.25	8 A. L. Sayles & Sons, pref., \$50 each..... 45
9 rights American Trust..... 105	59 American Textile Soap, pref..... 93
62 Herschell Spillman, pf., \$50 ea. \$45½	6 rights Haverhill Electric Light..... 90c.
1 Trimountain Trust..... 70	
16 Yale & Towne Mfg..... 272	

By Messrs. R. L. Day & Co., Boston:	
Shares. Stocks.	Shares. Stocks.
8 Pepperell Mfg. Co..... 220	2 Ludlow Mfg. Associates..... 145½
6 Merrimack Mfg., com..... 110½	17 Draper Corporation..... 131½-131¾
5 Nashua Mfg., pref..... 98	2 Concord Electric, pref..... 89½
½ West Point Mfg..... 110	3 Boston Wharf..... 75½
5 Lowell Bleachery..... 147½	3 Plymouth Cordage, ex-div..... 210
7 West Point Mfg..... 220	6 Reversible Collar..... 125

By Messrs. Barnes & Lofland, Philadelphia:

Shares. Stocks.	\$ per sh.	Shares. Stocks.	\$ per sh.
100 H. K. Mulford, \$50 each..... 50		2 John B. Stetson, com..... 310	
100 Keely Stove (Columbia, Pa.)... 85		750 Northwestern Metals, \$10 ea. \$10 lot	
431 Dexter Portl. Cement, \$40 each 32½		5 Mahoning Coal RR., com., \$50 each..... 500	
40 Corn Exchange Nat. Bank..... 385			
6 Philadelphia National Bank..... 350		Bonds. <i>Per cent.</i>	
4 Kensington Nat. Bk., \$50 each. 120		\$2,000 The Rio Grande Ry. 1st cons	
2 Fidelity Trust..... 448½		4s, 1949..... 61½	
15 Peoples Trust, \$50 each..... 45		\$1,000 Det. Tol. & Ironton Ry. cts. of deposit..... \$13	
3 Aldine Trust..... 170-170½			
1 Philadelphia Finance..... 15¾			

DIVIDENDS—Change in Method of Reporting Same.

We have changed the method of presenting our dividend record. We now group the dividends in two separate tables. First we bring together all the dividends announced the current week. Then we follow with a second table, in which we show the dividends previously announced, but which have not yet been paid. The dividends announced this week are:

Name of Company.	Per Cent.	When Payable.	Books Closed. Days Inclusive.
Railroads (Steam).			
Illinois Central (quar.)	*1¼	Sept. 1	*Holders of rec. Aug. 3a
Nashville Chatt. & St. Louis	3½	Aug. 2	Holders of rec. July 24a
Pittsburgh & Lake Erie	*\$2.50	Aug. 2	*Holders of rec. July 23
Street & Electric Railways.			
Montreal Tramways (quar.)	2½	Aug. 2	—
Trust Companies.			
Kings County (Brooklyn) (quar.)	*8	Aug. 2	*Holders of rec. July 24
Fire Insurance.			
Home	12½	Dem'd	Holders of rec. June 30
Miscellaneous.			
Amer. Dist. Teleg. of N. J. (quar.)	*¾	July 29	*Holders of rec. July 15
Amer. Sumatra Tob., com. (quar.)	2½	Aug. 1	Holders of rec. July 24a
Atlantic Safe Deposit	3	July 15	Holders of rec. July 13
Atlas Powder, pref. (quar.)	1½	Aug. 2	July 21 to Aug. 1
Atlas Tack Corp. (quar.)	*75c.	Aug. 2	*Holders of rec. July 21
Brill (J. G.) Co., preferred (quar.)	1¾	Aug. 2	July 24 to Aug. 1
Brompton Pulp & Paper com. (quar.)	3	Aug. 7	Holders of rec. July 31
Preferred (quar.)	*1¾	Aug. 7	*Holders of rec. July 31
Burns Bros., common (quar.)	*2½	Aug. 16	*Holders of rec. Aug. 2
Preferred (quar.)	*1¾	Aug. 2	*Holders of rec. July 23
Consolidation Coal (quar.)	1½	July 31	Holders of rec. July 23a
Eisemann Magneto, preferred (quar.)	1¾	Aug. 2	Holders of rec. July 20
Electric Bond & Share, com. (quar.)	2	July 15	Holders of rec. July 14
Preferred (quar.)	1½	Aug. 2	Holders of rec. July 17
Fairbanks Co., first preferred (quar.)	2	Aug. 1	Holders of rec. July 20
Electric Storage Batt., com. & pf. (qu.)	3	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 13
Exchange Buffet Corp. (quar.)	\$2	July 31	Holders of rec. July 15
Gillette Safety Razor (quar.)	\$2.50	Sept. 1	Holders of rec. July 31
Houston Oil, preferred	*3	Aug. 1	*Holders of rec. July 20
Ide (Geo. P.) & Co., Inc., com. (quar.)	\$1	Aug. 2	Holders of rec. July 20a
Illinois Northern Utilities, pref. (quar.)	*1½	Aug. 2	*Holders of rec. July 20
Internat. Nickel, pref. (quar.)	1½	Aug. 2	Holders of rec. July 22
Kanawha-Elkhorn Collieries	1	July 20	Holders of rec. July 15
Kaufmann Dept. Stores, com. (quar.)	\$1	Aug. 2	Holders of rec. July 20
Kelsey Wheel, Inc., pref. (quar.)	1¾	Aug. 1	Holders of rec. July 21a
Lee Rubber & Tire Corp. (quar.)	50c.	Sept. 1	Holders of rec. Aug. 14
Lig-Mar Coal Mining	2c.	Aug. 15	Holders of rec. Aug. 1
Stock dividend	5c.	—	Holders of rec. Aug. 15
Lincoln Motor	\$1.25	July 30	Holders of rec. July 20a
McElwain (W. H.) Co., com. (quar.)	1½	Aug. 2	Holders of rec. July 15
First and second preferred (quar.)	1¾	Aug. 2	Holders of rec. July 15
Midwest Refining (quar.)	\$1	Aug. 2	Holders of rec. July 15a
Extra	\$1	Aug. 2	Holders of rec. July 15a
Nash Motors, common	\$6	Aug. 2	Holders of rec. July 20
Preferred (quar.)	1¾	Aug. 2	Holders of rec. July 20
National Biscuit, com. (quar.)	*1¾	Oct. 15	*Holders of rec. Sept. 30
Preferred (quar.)	*1¾	Aug. 31	*Holders of rec. Aug. 16
National Breweries, pref. (quar.)	1¾	Aug. 2	Holders of rec. July 15
Nat. Cloak & Suit, pref. (quar.)	1¾	Sept. 1	Holders of rec. Aug. 20a
N. Y. & Honduras Rosario Mining (qu.)	3	July 30	Holders of rec. July 20
Extra	2	July 30	Holders of rec. July 20
Pacific Coast Co., com. (quar.)	*1	Aug. 2	*Holders of rec. July 24
First preferred (quar.)	*1¾	Aug. 2	*Holders of rec. July 24
Second preferred (quar.)	*1	Aug. 2	*Holders of rec. July 24
Plant (Thomas G.) Co., pref. (quar.)	1¾	July 31	Holders of rec. July 17
Royal Dutch Co.	*\$ 3.54½	Aug. 4	*Holders of rec. July 20
Russell Motor Car, com. & pref. (quar.)	1¾	Aug. 1	Holders of rec. July 17
St. Lawrence Flour Mills (quar.)	1¾	Aug. 2	Holders of rec. July 20
Bonus	1	Aug. 2	Holders of rec. July 20
Preferred (quar.)	1¾	Aug. 2	Holders of rec. July 20
Sears, Roebuck & Co., com. (quar.)	\$2	Aug. 14	*Holders of rec. July 31
Skelly Oil (quar.)	*20c.	July 31	*Holders of rec. July 21
Sloss-Sheffield Steel & Iron, com. (qu.)	*1½	Aug. 10	*Holders of rec. July 28
So. Porto Rico Sug., com. (in com. stk.)	100c.	Aug. 6	Holders of rec. July 24a
Spencer Petroleum (monthly)	20c.	July 26	Holders of rec. July 15
Sterling Tire Corp., com. (quar.)	1	July 20	Holders of rec. July 6
Preferred (quar.)	1¾	July 20	Holders of rec. July 6
Preferred series B (quar.)	2	July 20	Holders of rec. July 6
Union Tank Car, com. (quar.)	*1¾	Sept. 1	*Holders of rec. Aug. 5
Preferred (quar.)	*1¾	Sept. 1	*Holders of rec. Aug. 5
Wabasso Cotton (quar.)	1½	Sept. 1	Holders of rec. Aug. 16
Warner (Chas.) Co. of Del., com. (qu.)	\$1	July 15	Holders of rec. June 30
First and second preferred (quar.)	1¾	July 22	Holders of rec. June 30
Woodburn Oil Corp. (quar.)	10c.	July 31	Holders of rec. July 10
Woolworth (F. W.) Co., com. (quar.)	*2	Sept. 1	*Holders of rec. Aug. 10

Below we give the dividends announced in previous weeks and not yet paid. This list does not include dividends announced this week.

Name of Company.	Per Cent.	When Payable.	Books Closed. Days Inclusive.
Railroads (Steam).			
Alabama Great Southern, preferred	\$ 1.75	Aug. 20	Holders of rec. July 16
Ach. Topeka & Santa Fe, com. (quar.)	1½	Sept. 1	Holders of rec. July 30a
Preferred	2½	Aug. 2	Holders of rec. June 30a
Baltimore & Ohio, preferred	2	Sept. 1	Holders of rec. July 17a
Canada Southern	1½	Aug. 2	Holders of rec. July 1a
Central RR. of N. J. (quar.)	2	Aug. 2	Holders of rec. July 20a
Chic. St. Paul Minn. & Omaha, common	2½	Aug. 20	Holders of rec. Aug. 2a
Preferred	3½	Aug. 20	Holders of rec. Aug. 2a
Cleve. Cin. Chic. & St. Louis, pref. (quar.)	1¾	July 20	Holders of rec. July 1a
Cuba Railroad, preferred	3	Aug. 1	Holders of rec. June 30a
Delaware Lackawanna & Western (qu.)	\$2.50		

Name of Company.	Per Cent.	When Payable.	Books Closed. Days Inclusive.	Name of Company.	Per Cent.	When Payable.	Books Closed. Days Inclusive.
Railroads (Steam)—Concluded.				Miscellaneous (Concluded)			
Pittsburgh & West Virginia, pref. (quar.)	1½	Aug. 31	Holders of rec. Aug. 3a	Harblson-Walker Refractories—			
Reading Company, common (quar.)	\$1	Aug. 12	Holders of rec. July 20a	Preferred (quar.)	1½	July 20	Holders of rec. July 10
First preferred (quar.)	50c.	Sept. 9	Holders of rec. Aug. 24a	Hart, Schaffner & Marx, com. (quar.)	*1	Aug. 31	Holders of rec. Aug. 20
Street and Electric Railways.				Holly Sugar Corp., pref. (quar.)	1½	Aug. 2	Holders of rec. July 15
Carolina Power & Light, com. (quar.)	½	Aug. 2	Holders of rec. July 15	Howe Sound Co. (quar.)	5c.	July 15	Holders of rec. June 30
Duquesne Light, pref. (quar.)	1½	Aug. 2	Holders of rec. July 1	Hupp Motor Car Corp., com. (quar.)	25c.	Aug. 1	Holders of rec. July 15a
Milwaukee Elec. Ry. & Lt., pref. (qu.)	1½	July 31	Holders of rec. July 20a	Idaho Power, pref. (quar.)	1½	Aug. 2	Holders of rec. July 20
Montreal Lt., Ht. & P. Cons. (quar.)	1½	Aug. 16	Holders of rec. July 31a	Indian Packing Corp. (quar.)	25c.	July 24	Holders of rec. June 30
Philadelphia Co., common (quar.)	75c.	July 31	Holders of rec. July 1	Indiana Pipe Line (quar.)	\$2	Aug. 14	Holders of rec. July 17
Public Service Investment, pref. (quar.)	1½	Aug. 2	Holders of rec. July 15	Ingersoll-Rand Co., com. (quar.)	2½	July 31	Holders of rec. July 9a
Railway & Light Securities, com. & pf.	3	Aug. 2	Holders of rec. July 15a	Inspiration Consol. Copper (quar.)	\$1	July 26	Holders of rec. July 9a
West Penn Power Co., pref. (quar.)	1½	Aug. 2	Holders of rec. July 21a	International Mercantile Marine, pref.	3	Aug. 2	Holders of rec. July 15a
West Penn Rys., pref. (quar.)	1½	Sept. 15	Holders of rec. Sept. 1	Prof. (account accumulated dividends)	h5	Aug. 2	Holders of rec. July 15a
West Penn Tr. & Water Pow., pf. (qu.)	1½	Aug. 16	Holders of rec. Aug. 2	Kaministiquia Power, Ltd. (quar.)	2	Aug. 16	Holders of rec. July 31
York Rys., pref. (quar.)	62½c.	July 31	Holders of rec. July 21a	Kayser (Jullus) & Co., 1st & 2d pf. (qu.)	1½	Aug. 2	Holders of rec. July 20a
Banks.				Kelly-Springfield Tire, com. (quar.)	\$1	Aug. 2	Holders of rec. July 17a
Corn Exchange (quar.)	5	Aug. 2	Holders of rec. June 30a	Common (payable in common stock)	775c.	Aug. 2	Holders of rec. July 17a
Miscellaneous.				Preferred (quar.)	2	Aug. 16	Holders of rec. Aug. 2a
Acme Coal Mining	10c.	Aug. 2	Holders of rec. July 26	Keystone Watch Case (quar.)	1½	Aug. 1	Holders of rec. July 22a
Allis-Chalmers Co., common (No. 1)	1	Aug. 15	Holders of rec. July 31a	Kress (S. H.) & Co., com. (quar.)	1	Aug. 1	Holders of rec. June 20a
American Bank Note, com. (quar.)	\$1	Aug. 16	Holders of rec. Aug. 2a	Lehigh Coal & Navigation (quar.)	\$1	Aug. 31	Holders of rec. July 31a
American Beet Sugar, com. (quar.)	2	July 31	Holders of rec. July 10a	Libby, McNeill & Libby (in stock)	*e50	Aug. 14	Holders of rec. June 5
American Chicle, common (quar.)	\$1	Aug. 2	Holders of rec. July 24	Liberty Match, Inc. (quar.)	2½	Aug. 1	Holders of rec. July 15
American Cigar common (quar.)	*2	Aug. 2	Holders of rec. July 15	Lima Locomotive Works, Inc., pf. (qu.)	1½	July 31	Holders of rec. July 15a
American Druggist Syndicate	*40c.	Sept. 15	Holders of rec. July 31	Loew's, Inc., common (quar.)	50c.	Aug. 1	Holders of rec. July 17a
American Gas (quar.)	1	Sept. 1	Holders of rec. Aug. 18a	Lowell Electric Light Corp. (quar.)	2½	Aug. 2	Holders of rec. July 15a
Amer. Gas & Elec., pref. (quar.)	1½	Aug. 2	Holders of rec. July 15a	Maple Leaf Milling, com. (quar.)	3	July 19	Holders of rec. July 3
American Glue, preferred	4	Aug. 2	Holders of rec. July 15a	Preferred (quar.)	1½	July 19	Holders of rec. July 3
American Ice, pref. (quar.)	1½	July 24	Holders of rec. July 9a	Massachusetts Gas Cos. (quar.)	1½	Aug. 2	Holders of rec. July 15
Amer. La France Fire Eng., com. (qu.)	2½	Aug. 16	Holders of rec. Aug. 2a	May Department Stores—			
Amer. Light & Trac., com. (quar.)	1½	Aug. 2	July 16 to July 28	Common (quar.)	2	Sept. 1	Holders of rec. Aug. 16a
Common (payable in common stock)	1½	Aug. 2	July 16 to July 28	Preferred (quar.)	1½	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 15a
Preferred (quar.)	1½	Aug. 2	July 16 to July 28	Miami Copper (quar.)	50c.	Aug. 16	Holders of rec. Aug. 2a
American Shipbuilding, com. (quar.)	1½	Aug. 2	Holders of rec. July 15a	Midvale Steel & Ordnance (quar.)	\$1	Aug. 2	Holders of rec. July 17a
Common (extra)	2½	Aug. 2	Holders of rec. July 15a	Mohawk Mining (quar.)	\$1.50	Aug. 2	Holders of rec. July 10
Preferred (quar.)	1½	Aug. 2	Holders of rec. July 15a	Moline Plow, 1st pref. (quar.)	1½	Sept. 1	Holders of rec. Aug. 18a
Amer. Sugar Refg., com. & pref. (qu.)	1½	Oct. 2	Holders of rec. Sept. 1a	Second preferred (quar.)	1½	Sept. 1	Holders of rec. Aug. 18
Common (extra)	½	Oct. 2	Holders of rec. Sept. 1a	Montreal Lt., Heat & Power (quar.)	2	Aug. 16	Holders of rec. July 31
American Sumatra Tobacco, preferred	3½	Sept. 1	Holders of rec. Aug. 16a	Morris Plan Co. of New York	3	Aug. 2	Holders of rec. July 21
Amer. Tobacco, com. (in Class B com.)	47½	Aug. 1	Holders of rec. July 15a	Morris (Phillip) & Co., Ltd. (No. 1)	10c.	Aug. 2	Holders of rec. July 15
Amer. Zinc, Lead & Smelt., pref. (qu.)	\$1.50	Aug. 2	Holders of rec. July 15a	Mountain States Power, pref. (quar.)	*1½	July 20	Holders of rec. June 30
Anaconda Copper Mining (quar.)	\$1	Aug. 23	Holders of rec. July 17a	Mullins Body Corp., com. (quar.)	\$1	Aug. 1	Holders of rec. July 17a
Arkansas Nat. Gas, pref. (qu.) (No. 1)	*1½	Aug. 2	Holders of rec. June 1	Preferred (quar.)	2	Aug. 1	Holders of rec. July 17a
Associated Dry Goods, com. (quar.)	1	Aug. 1	Holders of rec. July 19a	National Carbon, pref. (quar.)	2	Aug. 2	Holders of rec. July 21
First preferred (quar.)	1½	Sept. 1	Holders of rec. Aug. 9a	National Leather	40c.	Aug. 15	Holders of rec. July 17
Second preferred (quar.)	1½	Sept. 1	Holders of rec. Aug. 9a	New River Co., pref. (quar.)	h3	July 20	Holders of rec. July 10
Associated Oil (quar.)	1½	July 26	Holders of rec. June 30a	Nipissing Mines Co. (quar.)	25c.	July 20	July 1 to July 18
Atlantic Gulf & W. I. SS. Lines, com.	5	Aug. 2	Holders of rec. June 30a	Northern States Power, pref. (quar.)	1½	July 20	Holders of rec. June 30
Atlantic Refining, pref. (quar.)	1½	Aug. 2	Holders of rec. July 15a	Pacific Development Corp. (quar.)	\$1	Aug. 16	Holders of rec. July 2a
Austin, Nichols & Co., pref. (quar.)	1½	Aug. 1	Holders of rec. July 23a	Packard Motor Car, com. (quar.)	25c.	July 31	Holders of rec. July 15a
Barnhart Bros. & Spindler—				Parish & Bingham (quar.)	\$1	July 20	Holders of rec. June 30a
First and second preferred (quar.)	1½	July 31	Holders of rec. July 26a	Penmans, Ltd., common (quar.)	2	Aug. 16	Holders of rec. Aug. 5
Borden Co., common	*4	Aug. 14	Holders of rec. Aug. 1	Preferred (quar.)	1½	Aug. 2	Holders of rec. July 21
Preferred (quar.)	*1½	Sept. 15	Holders of rec. Sept. 1	Penn Traffic	7½c.	Aug. 2	Holders of rec. July 15a
Preferred (quar.)	*1½	Dec. 15	Holders of rec. Dec. 1	Extra	2½c.	Aug. 2	Holders of rec. July 15a
Brown Shoe, Inc., pref. (quar.)	1½	Aug. 1	Holders of rec. July 20a	Phillips-Jones Corp., pref. (quar.)	1½	Aug. 1	Holders of rec. July 20a
Canadian Connecticut Cotton Mills—				Pick (Albert) & Co., common	4	Aug. 1	July 25 to July 31
Common, Class A & B	10	Aug. 2	Holders of rec. July 15	Pierce Oil Corporation—			
Common (No. 1)	*10	Aug. 1	Holders of rec. July 15	Common (quar.) (pay. in com. stock)	12½c.	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Aug. 31a
Participating preferred (special)	½	Aug. 2	Holders of rec. July 15	Piggly Wiggly Stores, com., Class A	(k)	Aug. 1	Holders of rec. July 20a
Canadian Converters, Ltd. (quar.)	1½	Aug. 16	Holders of rec. July 31	Pittsburgh Coal, common (quar.)	1½	July 24	Holders of rec. July 9a
Caracas Sugar (No. 1)	\$1	Oct. 15	Holders of rec. Oct. 1	Preferred (quar.)	1½	July 24	Holders of rec. July 9a
Carbon Steel, 2d preferred	6	July 30	Holders of rec. July 26a	Prairie Oil & Gas (quar.)	*3	July 31	Holders of rec. June 30
Cartier, Inc., pref. (quar.)	1½	July 30	Holders of rec. July 15	Extra	*3	July 31	Holders of rec. June 30
Cedar Rapids Mfg. & Power (quar.)	½	Aug. 16	Holders of rec. July 31	Prairie Pipe Line (quar.)	*3	July 31	Holders of rec. June 30
Central Aguirre Sugar Cos., common	\$5	July 31	Holders of rec. July 20	Procter & Gamble, common (quar.)	5	Aug. 14	July 25 to Aug. 15
Central Leather, common (quar.)	1½	Aug. 2	Holders of rec. July 9a	Common (payable in common stock)	¼	Aug. 14	July 25 to Aug. 15
Chicago Pneumatic Tool (quar.)	2	July 26	Holders of rec. July 15a	Producers & Ref. Corp., com. (quar.)	12½c.	Aug. 2	Holders of rec. July 10
Chic. Wilm. & Franklin Coal, pf. (qu.)	1½	Aug. 2	Holders of rec. July 17	Preferred (quar.)	17½c.	Aug. 2	Holders of rec. July 10
Cities Service—				Public Service Co. of No. Ill., com. (qu.)	*1½	Aug. 2	Holders of rec. July 17
Common and preferred (monthly)	*½	Aug. 1	Holders of rec. July 15	Preferred (quar.)	*1½	Aug. 2	Holders of rec. July 17
Common (payable in common stock)	*1½	Aug. 1	Holders of rec. July 15	Pyrene Manufacturing (quar.)	25c.	Aug. 2	Holders of rec. July 22 to Aug. 1
Preferred B (monthly)	*½	Aug. 1	Holders of rec. July 15	Quaker Oats, preferred (quar.)	*1½	Aug. 31	Holders of rec. Aug. 2
Cities Service, Bankers Shares (mthly.)	45.62c.	Aug. 1	Holders of rec. July 15	Republic Iron & Steel, com. (quar.)	1½	Aug. 2	Holders of rec. July 15a
Cluett, Pesbody & Co., com. (quar.)	2	Aug. 2	Holders of rec. July 21a	Riordon Pulp & Paper, common (quar.)	2½	Aug. 15	Holders of rec. Aug. 6
Columbia Gra'phone Factories, pf. (qu.)	\$2	Aug. 1	Holders of rec. July 15a	Santa Cecilia Sugar, com. (quar.)	25c.	Aug. 2	Holders of rec. July 20a
Commonwealth-Edison (quar.)	*2	Aug. 2	Holders of rec. July 15	Preferred (quar.)	1½	Aug. 2	Holders of rec. July 20a
Continental Candy Corp. (quar.)	25c.	July 20	Holders of rec. June 29a	Savannah Sugar Refg., pref. (quar.)	1½	Aug. 2	Holders of rec. July 15
Continental Paper & Bag Mills—				Shell Transport & Trading	\$1.965	Aug. 2	Holders of rec. July 19a
Com. & pref. (payable in com. stock)	50	Aug. 15	Holders of rec. Aug. 9	Sierra Pacific Electric Co., pref. (quar.)	1½	Aug. 2	Holders of rec. July 15a
Corn Products Refg., com. (quar.)	1	July 20	Holders of rec. July 6a	Smith (Howard) Paper Mills, com. (qu.)	2	July 20	Holders of rec. July 10
Common (extra)	½	July 20	Holders of rec. July 6a	Preferred (quar.)	2	July 20	Holders of rec. July 10
Cosden & Co., common (quar.)	62½c.	Aug. 2	Holders of rec. June 30a	Spicer Mfg., common (No. 1)	50c.	Aug. 1	Holders of rec. July 20
Crucible Steel, common (quar.)	2	July 31	Holders of rec. July 15a	Standard Motor Construction (quar.)	25c.	Aug. 2	Holders of rec. July 6
Common (payable in common stock)	16½	July 31	Holders of rec. July 15a	Steel Co. of Canada, com. & pref. (quar.)	*1½	Aug. 1	Holders of rec. July 10
Cuba Company, preferred	*3½	Aug. 2	Holders of rec. June 30	Steel Products Co., com. (quar.)	3	July 20	Holders of rec. July 5a
Cuban-American Sugar, com. (quar.)	1½	Sept. 30	Holders of rec. Sept. 10a	Stewart Mfg., common (quar.)	*\$1	Aug. 15	Holders of rec. July 31
Preferred (quar.)	1½	Sept. 30	Holders of rec. Sept. 10a	Preferred (quar.)	*2	Aug. 1	Holders of rec. July 15
Cupecy Sugar, common	17	Aug. 2	Holders of rec. July 15a	Submarine Boat Corporation	50c.	Aug. 7	Holders of rec. July 24
Preferred	3½	Aug. 2	Holders of rec. July 15a	Superior Steel Corp., com. (quar.)	1½	Aug. 2	Holders of rec. July 15a
Davison Chemical	\$1	Aug. 16	Holders of rec. July 30	First and second pref. (quar.)	2	Aug. 16	Holders of rec. Aug. 2a
De Beers Cons. Mines, Ltd.	*\$2.36	July 28	Holders of rec. July 26	Swift International	\$1.20	Aug. 20	Holders of rec. July 20
Diamond Match (quar.)	2	Sept. 15	Holders of rec. Aug. 31a	Texas Chief Oil (monthly)	15c.	Aug. 1	Holders of rec. July 5
Dodge Steel Pulley, pref. (quar.)	1½	Aug. 1	July 22 to July 31	Trumbull Steel, com. (in com. stock)	*f25	July 20	Holders of rec. July 7
Dome Mines, Ltd. (quar.)	25c.	July 20	Holders of rec. June 30a	Underwood Computing Mach., pf. (qu.)	1½	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 18
Dominion Coal, pref. (quar.)	1½	Aug. 1	Holders of rec. July 12	Underwood Typewriter, com. (quar.)	2	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 4a
Dominion Oil (monthly)	10c.	Aug. 1	Holders of rec. July 10	Preferred (quar.)	1½	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 4a
Dominion Steel Corp., pref. (quar.)	1½	Aug. 1	July 16 to Aug. 1	Union Oil of California (quar.)	*1½	July 24	Holders of rec. July 10
du Pont (E. I.) de Nemours & Co.,	1½	July 26	Holders of rec. July 10	Extra	*1	July 24	Holders of rec. July 10
debuture stock (quar.)	*1½	Aug. 2	Holders of rec. July 20	United Alloy Steel Corp. (quar.)	\$1	July 20	Holders of rec. July 6a
du Pont (E. I.) de Nem. Powd., com. (qu.)	*1½	Aug. 2	Holders of rec. July 20	United Drug, 1st pref. (quar.)	1½	Aug. 2	Holders of rec. July 15
Eastern Steel, common (quar.)	1	Aug. 15	Holders of rec. Aug. 1a	First preferred (quar.)	87½c.	Aug. 2	Holders of rec. July 15
Eastman Kodak, common (quar.)	2½	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Aug. 31a	Second preferred (quar.)	1½	Sept. 1	Holders of rec. Aug. 16
Common (extra)	2½	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Aug. 31a	United Retail Stores Corp., com. (in stk.)	75	Aug. 16	Holders of rec. Aug. 2a
Common (extra)	5	Sept. 1	Holders of rec. July 31a	United Verde Extension Mining (quar.)	50c.	Aug. 1	Holders of rec. July 6a
Preferred (quar.)	1½	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Aug. 31a	U. S. Food Products (quar.)	1½	July 19	Holders of rec. July 2a
Edison Elec. Ill. of Boston (quar.)	3	Aug. 2	Holders of rec. July 15	U. S. Glass (quar.)	\$1	July 26	Holders of rec. July 17
Edison Elec. Ill. of Brockton (quar.)	2	Aug. 2	Holders of rec. July 15a	U. S. Rubber, common (quar.)	2	July 23	Holders of rec. July 15a
Eisenlohr (Otto) & Bros., com. (quar.)	*2	Aug. 2	Holders of rec. July 22	First preferred (quar.)	2	July 23	Holders of rec. July 15a
Elk Basin Cons'd Petroleum (quar.)	2½	Aug. 2	Holders of rec. July 15	Virginia-Carolina Chemical, com. (quar.)	1	Aug. 2	Holders of rec. July 15a
Emerson-Brantingham, pref. (quar.)	1½	Aug. 2	Holders of rec. July 16	Common (extra)	2	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 15a
Eureka Pipe Line (quar.)	3	Aug. 2	Holders of rec. July 15	Virginia Iron, Coal & Coke	3	July 26	July 7 to July 26
Everett Heaney & Co., Inc. (quar.)	2	Aug. 1	Holders of rec. July 15a	Vulcan Detinning, pref. (quar.)	1½	July 20	Holders of rec. July 14a
Fajardo Sugar (quar.)	2½	July 30	Holders of rec. July 12	Prof. (acct. accumulated dividends)	h1	July 20	Holders of rec. July 14a
Extra (in cash)	30	July 30	Holders of rec. July 12	Westinghouse Air Brake (quar.)	\$1.75	July 31	Holders of rec. July 5a
Extra (payable in stock)	70	July 30	Holders of rec. July 12	Westinghouse Elec. & Mfg., com. (qu.)	\$1	July 31	Holders of rec. June 30a
Fall River Gas Works (quar.)	3	Aug. 2	Holders of rec. July 15a	Willis-Overland, com. (quar.)	25c.	Aug. 2	Holders of rec. July 21
Federal Sugar, common (quar.)	1½	Aug. 2	Holders of rec. July 10a	Wilson & Co., common (quar.)	1½	Aug. 2	Holders of rec. July 21a
Common (extra)	5	Aug. 2	Holders of rec. July 10a	Woods Mfg., common (quar.)	2	Sept. 1	Holders of rec. Aug. 25
Preferred (quar.)	1½	Aug. 2	Holders of rec. July 10a				
Firestone Tire & Rubber, pref. (quar.)	1½	Aug. 1	Holders of				

Philadelphia Banks.—The Philadelphia Clearing House statement for the week ending July 10 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 depositaries" and "Cash in vaults."

Two Ciphers (00) omitted.	Week ending July 10 1920.			July 3 1920.	June 26 1920.
	Members of F.R. System	Trust Companies	Total.		
Capital.....	\$33,075.0	\$4,301.0	\$37,376.0	\$37,376.0	\$37,376.0
Surplus and profits.....	85,325.0	12,007.0	97,332.0	100,562.0	100,439.0
Loans, disc'ts & investm'ts.....	712,439.0	36,137.0	748,576.0	755,441.0	761,666.0
Exchanges for Clear. House.....	26,242.0	466.0	26,708.0	37,142.0	27,902.0
Due from banks.....	119,072.0	18.0	119,090.0	125,304.0	118,731.0
Bank deposits.....	138,587.0	359.0	138,946.0	135,221.0	131,032.0
Individual deposits.....	514,520.0	20,819.0	535,339.0	553,223.0	534,920.0
Time deposits.....	7,588.0	150.0	7,738.0	7,872.0	7,924.0
Total deposits.....	660,695.0	21,328.0	682,023.0	696,316.0	673,976.0
U. S. deposits (not included).....	-----	-----	2,432.0	5,999.0	11,445.0
Reserve with Fed. Res. Bank.....	53,515.0	-----	53,515.0	51,704.0	51,689.0
Reserve with legal deposit'ys.....	-----	2,382.0	2,382.0	3,073.0	2,393.0
Cash in vault*.....	12,912.0	910.0	13,822.0	13,343.0	13,381.0
Total reserve and cash held.....	66,427.0	3,292.0	69,719.0	68,120.0	67,463.0
Reserve required.....	51,006.0	3,111.0	54,117.0	53,891.0	53,188.0
Excess res. & cash in vault.....	15,421.0	181.0	15,602.0	14,229.0	14,275.0

* Cash in vault is not counted as reserve for Federal Reserve Bank members.

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:

BOSTON CLEARING HOUSE MEMBERS.

	July 10, 1920.	Changes from previous week.	July 3 1920.	June 26 1920.
Circulation.....	\$ 2,945,000	Dec. 28,000	\$ 2,973,000	\$ 2,945,000
Loans, disc'ts & investments.....	594,615,000	Dec. 9,644,000	604,259,000	613,418,000
Individual deposits, incl. U. S.	452,888,000	Dec. 5,839,000	458,727,000	455,974,000
Due to banks.....	119,864,000	Inc. 9,208,000	110,656,000	106,062,000
Time deposits.....	16,203,000	Dec. 799,000	17,002,000	17,408,000
United States deposits.....	2,714,000	Dec. 6,324,000	9,038,000	13,396,000
Exchanges for Clearing House.....	22,385,000	Inc. 87,000	22,298,000	18,285,000
Due from other banks.....	54,220,000	Inc. 48,000	54,172,000	54,863,000
Cash in bank & in F. R. Bank.....	77,136,000	Inc. 508,000	76,628,000	75,401,000
Reserve excess in bank and Federal Reserve Bank.....	27,035,000	Inc. 208,000	26,827,000	25,990,000

Condition of the Federal Reserve Bank of New York.—The following shows the condition of the Federal Reserve Bank of New York at the close of business July 9 1920, in comparison with the previous week and the corresponding date last year:

Resources—	July 9 1920.	July 2 1920.	July 11 1919.
Gold and gold certificates.....	\$ 82,217,698	\$ 83,504,402	\$ 176,288,000
Gold settlement fund—F. R. Board.....	83,950,311	103,090,479	124,343,000
Gold with foreign agencies.....	40,931,550	40,931,550	-----
Total gold held by bank.....	207,129,559	227,526,431	300,631,000
Gold with Federal Reserve Agent.....	281,827,231	282,361,830	289,889,000
Gold redemption fund.....	35,979,000	33,913,500	24,829,000
Total gold reserves.....	524,935,790	543,801,761	615,349,000
Legal tender notes, silver, etc.....	106,845,694	107,200,128	51,879,000
Total reserves.....	631,781,484	651,001,889	667,228,000
Bills discounted:			
Secured by Government war oblig'ns:			
For members.....	524,441,160	514,347,074	742,901,000
For other Federal Reserve banks.....	19,788,444	17,435,559	-----
All Other:	544,229,604	531,782,633	742,901,000
For members.....	287,146,571	282,156,675	62,342,000
For other Federal Reserve banks.....	16,307,750	17,918,813	-----
Bills bought in open market.....	303,464,321	300,105,486	62,342,000
Total bills on hand.....	1,001,864,609	1,012,050,119	924,606,000
U. S. Government bonds.....	1,456,900	1,456,900	1,302,000
U. S. Victory notes.....	50,000	50,000	50,000
U. S. certificates of indebtedness.....	79,214,000	101,290,500	59,019,000
Total earning assets.....	1,082,585,509	1,114,847,519	984,977,000
Bank premises.....	3,767,476	3,767,536	3,999,000
5% redemption fund against F. R. Bank notes.....	3,099,800	3,113,470	1,900,000
Uncollected items and other deductions from gross deposits.....	161,762,014	167,601,640	182,827,000
All other resources.....	1,417,564	523,742	2,766,000
Total resources.....	1,884,413,847	1,940,850,997	1,843,697,000
Liabilities—			
Capital paid in.....	24,675,450	24,672,300	21,471,000
Surplus.....	51,307,535	51,307,535	32,922,000
Government deposits.....	612,718	241,513	39,387,000
Due to members—reserve account.....	738,232,476	779,519,701	707,647,000
Deferred availability items.....	113,276,384	113,752,232	144,198,000
Other deposits, incl. foreign govt. credits.....	23,973,776	27,724,988	105,647,000
Total gross deposits.....	876,095,354	921,238,414	996,879,000
F. R. Notes in actual circulation.....	871,466,530	882,506,195	751,781,000
F. R. Bank notes in circulation—net liab.....	37,487,000	36,353,400	36,334,000
All other liabilities.....	23,381,978	22,773,153	4,310,000
Total liabilities.....	1,884,413,847	1,940,850,997	1,843,697,000
Ratio of total reserves to deposit and F. R. note liabilities combined.....	39.8%	39.8%	42.6%
Ratio of gold reserves to F. R. notes in circulation after deducting 35% against deposit liabilities.....	-----	-----	50.8%
Ratio of reserves to net deposits after deducting 40% gold reserves against F. R. notes in circulation.....	39.6%	39.5%	-----
Contingent liability on bills purchased or foreign correspondents.....	6,088,731	6,088,731	-----

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 July 10. 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.)	Net Profits.		Loans, Discounts, Investments, &c.	Cash in Vault.	Reserve with Legal Depositories.	Net Demand Deposits.	Time Deposits.	Nat' Bank Circulation.
	Capital.	Profits.						
Week ending July 10 1920.	Nat'l.	May 4 State, Feb. 28 Tr. Cos., Feb. 28	Average.	Average.	Average.	Average.	Average.	Average.
Members of Fed. Res. Bank	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Bk of NY, NBA	2,000	7,040	50,660	749	4,421	31,093	4,298	773
Manhattan Co.	15,000	116,146	142,318	3,334	14,409	107,696	10,654	-----
Mech & Metals	10,000	15,800	204,473	11,215	20,191	152,037	3,397	1,000
Bank of America	15,500	16,051	62,263	2,461	6,978	57,545	1,752	-----
National City	25,000	58,875	582,369	13,937	68,610	*630,816	36,355	1,384
Chemical Nat'l.	14,500	114,400	161,205	1,866	15,045	113,681	1,939	1,320
Atlantic Nat'l.	1,000	1,069	21,035	439	2,412	18,097	576	236
Nat Buteh & Dr	300	162	4,763	132	504	3,590	-----	289
Amer Exch Nat	5,000	6,483	127,324	1,589	12,971	96,477	5,388	4,829
Nat Bk of Comm	25,000	31,040	327,197	2,728	34,742	262,516	6,656	-----
Pacific Bank	1,000	1,697	25,183	1,292	3,311	23,260	34	-----
Charb & Phenix	7,000	7,272	123,255	5,067	16,164	108,453	13,229	4,591
Hanover Nat'l.	3,000	19,529	129,324	5,398	20,122	132,954	-----	100
Metropolitan	2,000	2,910	35,322	1,967	6,186	39,580	-----	-----
Corn Exchange	4,620	8,776	150,885	7,654	21,230	153,724	9,927	-----
Imp & Trad Nat	1,500	8,651	40,298	755	4,098	31,292	38	51
National Park	5,000	21,582	209,100	1,233	21,984	168,246	3,371	4,839
East River Nat.	1,000	796	11,839	387	1,541	11,181	909	50
Second National	1,000	4,450	23,131	902	2,707	18,553	100	624
First National	10,000	35,505	317,879	900	23,633	180,175	6,188	7,659
Irving National	9,000	10,340	197,661	6,638	25,623	193,531	2,049	2,235
N Y County Nat	1,000	384	14,435	896	1,727	12,875	875	196
Continental Bk.	1,000	731	8,075	137	1,016	6,472	100	-----
Chase National	15,000	22,227	368,219	5,568	37,537	283,452	13,120	1,061
Fifth Avenue	500	2,348	20,187	1,081	3,280	21,045	-----	-----
Commercial Ex.	200	967	7,330	523	1,087	7,284	-----	-----
Commonwealth	400	795	9,096	564	1,283	9,262	-----	-----
Lincoln Nat'l.	1,000	2,089	20,624	1,076	2,936	20,871	74	210
Garfield Nat'l.	1,000	1,478	15,024	574	2,134	14,738	126	389
Fifth National	1,000	620	14,933	322	1,699	12,685	551	246
Seaboard Nat'l.	1,000	4,395	50,466	1,007	6,095	47,003	503	64
Liberty Nat Bk	5,000	7,161	91,083	539	10,393	79,067	2,754	1,936
Coal & Iron Nat	1,500	1,580	20,804	991	1,831	15,382	666	402
Union Exch Nat	1,000	1,571	18,915	470	2,577	18,727	461	391
Brooklyn Trust	1,500	2,504	40,723	885	3,846	28,414	6,156	-----
Bankers Trust	20,000	18,547	304,328	880	32,043	241,369	15,875	-----
U S Mtge & Tr.	2,000	4,803	61,187	764	7,419	53,872	7,982	-----
Guaranty Trust	25,000	31,757	520,181	2,385	53,494	*518,521	32,293	-----
Fidelity Trust	1,000	1,367	12,754	443	1,508	11,281	357	-----
Columbia Trust	5,000	7,453	82,840	1,278	10,668	82,926	4,478	-----
Peoples Trust	1,500	11,900	34,215	1,378	3,244	33,299	1,989	-----
New York Trust	3,000	11,256	90,228	501	8,961	64,702	1,359	-----
Lincoln Trust	1,000	925	25,413	515	3,461	25,138	721	-----
Metropolitan Tr	2,000	3,355	38,492	577	3,994	28,249	1,435	-----
Nassau N, Bklyn	1,000	1,345	17,703	633	1,581	14,395	1,059	50
Farm Loan & Tr	5,000	10,633	121,255	4,253	14,839	*130,297	15,064	-----
Columbia Bank	2,000	1,560	23,325	750	2,894	21,816	233	-----
Average.....	228,020	422,346	4,979,319	99,633	548,429	4,062,200	215,091	34,925
Totals, actual condition July 10	4,960,883	101,566	540,668	4,039,405	213,686	34,821	-----	-----
Totals, actual condition July 3	4,999,837	88,664	592,389	4,102,798	214,366	34,945	-----	-----
Totals, actual condition June 26	4,994,508	92,306	558,192	4,033,921	217,467	34,831	-----	-----
State Banks.	Not Members of Federal Reserve Bank							
Greenwich Bank	\$1,000	\$1,678	18,418	2,493	1,716	19,078	-----	-----
Bowery Bank	250	839	5,457	644	323	5,381	-----	-----
State Bank	2,000	1,508	66,440	3,621	1,983	29,643	37,493	-----
Average.....	3,250	4,026	90,315	6,758	4,022	54,102	37,493	-----
Totals, actual condition July 10	90,471	6,426	4,008	53,779	37,611	-----	-----	-----
Totals, actual condition July 3	90,811							

	Actual Figures.				
	Cash Reserve in Vault.	Reserve in Depositaries	Total Reserve.	Reserve Required.	Surplus Reserve.
Members Federal Reserve banks	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
State banks*	6,426,000	4,008,000	10,434,000	9,680,220	753,780
Trust companies*	2,165,000	4,739,000	6,904,000	6,774,750	129,250
Total July 10	8,591,000	549,415,000	558,006,000	547,988,200	10,017,800
Total July 3	8,617,000	601,239,000	609,856,000	556,430,350	53,425,650
Total June 26	8,413,000	567,461,000	575,874,000	547,816,720	28,057,280
Total June 19	8,485,000	543,313,000	551,798,000	555,645,970	33,847,970

* 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: July 10, \$6,452,730; July 3, \$6,493,920; June 26, \$6,561,750; June 19, \$6,488,280.
 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: July 10, \$6,410,530; July 3, \$6,430,980; June 26, \$6,524,010; June 19, \$6,567,180.

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.)

	July 10.	Differences from previous week.
Loans and investments	\$795,101,400	Inc. 1,287,900
Specie	8,410,500	Dec. 65,700
Currency and bank notes	19,675,900	Inc. 920,900
Deposits with Federal Reserve Bank of New York	76,052,600	Inc. 73,600
Total deposits	863,056,000	Dec. 5,990,600
Deposits, eliminating amounts due from reserve depositaries, and from other banks and trust companies in N. Y. City, exchanges and U. S. deposits	811,211,500	Inc. 1,907,600
Reserve on deposits	147,772,700	Inc. 97,000
Percentage of reserve, 20.2%.		

RESERVE.

	State Banks	Trust Companies
Cash in vaults	\$26,018,600 15.62%	\$78,075,400 13.85%
Deposits in banks & trust companies	11,563,200 6.94%	32,115,500 5.69%
Total	\$37,581,800 22.56%	\$110,190,900 19.55%

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 Depositaries.
Mar. 6	\$ 5,871,656,000	\$ 4,881,252,700	\$ 137,477,500	\$ 647,225,300
Mar. 13	5,890,723,400	4,833,900,600	137,498,800	679,329,400
Mar. 20	5,891,763,200	4,990,480,100	134,062,200	649,233,400
Mar. 27	5,884,557,500	4,915,902,800	132,585,200	679,267,600
April 3	5,934,438,800	4,979,072,300	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	5,970,538,000	5,007,452,600	131,772,400	694,100,200
May 1	5,929,153,600	4,965,687,100	126,207,200	689,051,100
May 8	5,935,200,400	4,938,152,700	136,312,000	658,932,400
May 15	5,923,805,600	4,950,458,200	131,500,400	694,904,700
May 22	5,928,544,500	4,989,835,900	131,116,200	674,250,800
May 29	5,901,424,000	4,985,879,800	129,100,500	700,111,800
June 5	5,918,063,600	5,032,577,100	133,387,300	697,525,700
June 12	5,911,312,000	4,975,186,300	131,309,500	699,402,500
June 19	5,930,652,500	5,034,693,800	128,548,900	662,435,000
June 26	5,930,986,500	4,907,609,000	127,495,800	685,640,800
July 3	5,965,438,500	4,985,928,900	124,512,200	721,682,800
July 10	5,938,501,400	4,972,091,500	138,243,400	669,101,300

* This item includes gold, silver, legal tenders, national bank notes and Federal Reserve notes.

The Federal Reserve Banks.—Following is the weekly statement issued by the Federal Reserve Board on July 9. The figures for the system as a whole are given in the following table, and in addition we present the results for seven preceding weeks, together with those of corresponding week of last year. The second table shows the resources and liabilities separately for each of the twelve banks. The Federal Reserve Agents' Accounts (third table following) gives details regarding transactions in Federal Reserve notes between the Comptroller and Reserve Agents and between the latter and Federal Reserve banks.

Reduction by about 47 millions in deposit liabilities, as against a further increase of 12.1 millions in Federal Reserve note circulation and a decline of 1.3 millions in cash reserves, are indicated in the Federal Reserve Board's weekly bank statement issued as at close of business on June 9 1920. The reserve ratio, as the result of the above changes, shows a rise from 42.8 to 43.1 per cent.
 Holdings of paper secured by U. S. war obligations show a nominal increase of 1.5 millions, other discounts on hand went up 14.9 millions, while acceptance holdings show a reduction of 17.5 millions. During the week the government redeemed the large portion of the special certificates held by Reserve Banks to cover temporary advances to the Treasury and, largely in consequence of these redemptions, the amount of certificates on hand shows a decrease of 27.4 millions. Total earning assets were 28.5 millions less than the week before.
 Of the total of 1,296.4 millions of paper secured by U. S. war obligations, 634.6 millions, or 49 per cent, were secured by Liberty bonds 310.1 millions, or 23.9 per cent, by Victory notes, and 351.7 millions, or 27.1 per cent, by Treasury certificates, as against 49, 23.5 and 27.5 per cent of

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).

STATE BANKS AND TRUST COMPANIES IN NEW YORK CITY.

Week Ended July 10, 1920.	State Banks.		Trust Companies.	
	July 10, 1920.	Differences from previous week.	July 10, 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	745,303,900	Inc. 6,266,500	1,993,019,000	Dec. 21,081,000
Specie	4,791,400	Dec. 27,000	11,271,500	Dec. 14,000
Currency & bk. notes	34,190,200	Inc. 4,909,600	19,518,500	Inc. 1,114,200
Deposits with the F. R. Bank of N. Y.	75,485,000	Dec. \$44,400	209,380,700	Dec. 3,499,700
Deposits	873,808,900	Dec. 4,563,100	2,099,089,500	Dec. 5,942,160
Reserve on deposits	131,401,400	Inc. 3,421,800	287,314,600	Dec. 3,893,500
P. C. reserve to dep.	19.4%	Inc. 0.2%	16.3%	Dec. 0.7%

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 Returns" on the following page:

RETURN OF NON-MEMBER INSTITUTIONS OF NEW YORK CLEARING HOUSE.

(Stated in thousands of dollars—that is, three ciphers 1000] omitted.)

CLEARING NON-MEMBERS	Capital.	Net Profits.	Loans, Discounts, &c.	Cash in Vault.	Reserve with Legal Depositaries.	Net Demand Deposits.	Net Time Deposits.	Nat'l Bank Circulation.
Members of Fed'l Res. Bank.	\$	\$	Average \$	Average \$	Average \$	Average \$	Average \$	Average \$
Battery Park Nat.	1,500	1,615	15,187	226	1,865	12,332	74	187
Mutual Bank	200	691	10,869	279	1,609	11,402	347	-----
New Netherland	600	675	9,710	230	1,056	6,845	303	-----
W R Grace & Co.	500	1,017	4,660	21	552	2,902	718	-----
Yorkville Bank	200	670	13,491	448	1,262	7,430	6,549	-----
First Nat Bk, Jer C	400	1,353	9,288	558	823	7,667	-----	390
Total	3,400	6,024	63,205	1,762	7,167	48,578	7,991	577
State Banks Not Members of the Fed'l Reserve Bank.								
Bank of Wash Hts.	100	444	3,538	468	173	3,501	-----	-----
Colonial Bank	600	1,332	14,621	2,068	1,544	16,135	-----	-----
International Bank	500	337	6,986	845	436	6,896	342	-----
Total	1,200	2,113	25,145	3,381	2,153	26,532	342	-----
Trust Companies Not Members of the Fed'l Reserve Bank.								
Hamilton Tr, Bkin	500	1,023	9,160	617	372	7,457	898	-----
Mechanics Tr, Bay	200	1,452	8,997	447	390	5,576	4,847	-----
Total	700	1,476	18,157	1,064	762	13,033	5,745	-----
Grand aggregate	5,300	9,614	106,507	6,207	10,082	88,143	14,078	577
Comparison previous week	-----	-----	-541	+370	-375	+2,542	+87	-1
Gr'd aggr July 3	5,300	9,614	107,048	5,837	10,457	85,601	13,991	578
Gr'd aggr June 26	5,300	9,599	108,860	5,909	10,344	90,968	13,596	576
Gr'd aggr June 19	5,300	9,599	108,513	5,785	10,955	91,308	13,835	559

a U. S. deposits deducted, \$332,000.
 Bills payable, rediscounts, acceptances and other liabilities, \$8,069,000.
 Excess reserve, \$248,550 decrease. f As of June 30 1920.

COMBINED RESOURCES AND LIABILITIES OF THE FEDERAL RESERVE BANKS AT THE CLOSE OF BUSINESS JULY 9, 1920.

	July 9 1920.	July 2 1920.	June 25 1920	June 18 1920.	June 11, 1920	June 4 1920.	May 28 1920.	May 21 1920	July 11 1919.
RESOURCES.	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Gold coin and certificates	168,929,000	171,176,000	171,120,000	162,878,000	168,193,000	164,519,000	167,135,000	169,735,000	279,545,000
Gold settlement fund, F. R. Board	402,760,000	402,760,000	402,628,000	400,833,000	431,905,000	431,227,000	424,452,000	399,889,000	554,812,000
Gold with foreign agencies	111,531,000	111,531,000	111,531,000	111,531,000	111,531,000	111,531,000	111,530,000	112,781,000	-----
Total gold held by banks	683,220,000	685,467,000	685,279,000	675,242,000	711,629,000	707,277,000	703,117,000	682,405,000	834,357,000
Gold with Federal Reserve agents	1,145,102,000	1,146,944,000	1,150,175,000	1,161,784,000	1,103,751,000	1,110,864,000	1,112,010,000	1,098,823,000	1,163,068,000
Gold redemption fund	142,991,000	139,285,000	133,921,000	125,295,000	149,678,000	142,712,000	137,946,000	158,489,000	114,399,000
Total gold reserves	1,971,316,000	1,971,696,000	1,969,375,000	1,962,321,000	1,965,058,000	1,960,853,000	1,953,103,000	1,939,717,000	2,111,824,000

	July 9 1920.	July 2 1920.	June 25 1920	June 18 1920	June 11 1920.	June 4 1920.	May 28 1920.	May 21 1920	July 11 1919.
Legal tender notes, silver, &c.	136,877,000	137,805,000	139,230,000	138,579,000	137,533,000	138,087,000	139,393,000	139,821,000	68,387,000
Total reserves	2,108,193,000	2,109,501,000	2,108,605,000	2,100,900,000	2,102,591,000	2,098,940,000	2,092,496,000	2,079,538,000	2,180,211,000
Bills discounted	1,296,350,000	1,294,892,000	1,277,980,000	1,231,841,000	1,440,931,000	1,433,415,000	1,447,962,000	1,446,723,000	1,684,946,000
Secured by Govt. war obligations	1,265,243,000	1,250,302,000	1,153,814,000	1,064,296,000	1,082,019,000	1,130,843,000	1,071,469,000	1,053,663,000	251,367,000
All other	3,592,000	390,085,000	399,185,000	398,591,000	403,896,000	410,688,000	418,600,000	417,368,000	\$360,035,000
Bills bought in open market	2,934,184,000	2,935,279,000	2,830,979,000	2,694,728,000	2,926,846,000	2,974,946,000	2,938,031,000	2,917,754,000	2,296,348,000
Total bills on hand	26,793,000	26,792,000	26,793,000	26,795,000	26,796,000	26,795,000	26,794,000	26,796,000	27,131,000
U. S. Government bonds	69,000	69,000	69,000	69,000	69,000	69,000	69,000	69,000	374,000
U. S. Victory Notes	281,942,000	309,379,000	325,434,000	347,091,000	280,108,000	274,816,000	279,531,000	276,761,000	206,054,000
U. S. certificates of indebtedness									
All other earning assets									
Total earning assets	3,242,988,000	3,271,519,000	3,183,275,000	3,068,683,000	3,233,819,000	3,276,626,000	3,244,425,000	3,221,380,000	2,529,907,000
Bank premises	13,734,000	13,658,000	13,492,000	13,254,000	13,111,000	12,942,000	12,668,000	12,658,000	11,699,000
Uncollected items and other deductions from gross deposits	797,347,000	785,059,000	*750,486,000	949,977,000	772,903,000	789,616,000	747,190,000	755,476,000	740,994,000
5% redemp. fund agst. F. R. bank notes	12,293,000	12,424,000	12,148,000	12,110,000	11,794,000	11,745,000	11,862,000	12,081,000	10,052,000
All other resources	3,822,000	5,191,000	6,590,000	8,053,000	5,751,000	5,640,000	5,699,000	5,028,000	10,334,000
Total resources	6,178,377,000	6,197,352,000	6,074,596,000	6,152,977,000	6,139,969,000	6,195,509,000	6,114,340,000	6,086,161,000	5,483,197,000
LIABILITIES.									
Capital paid in	94,639,000	94,594,000	94,506,000	94,462,000	94,284,000	94,108,000	94,000,000	93,786,000	82,851,000
Surplus	161,745,000	164,745,000	120,120,000	120,120,000	120,120,000	120,120,000	120,120,000	120,120,000	81,087,000
Government deposits	15,919,000	21,704,000	14,189,000	56,356,000	21,830,000	37,113,000	36,433,000	24,368,000	151,170,000
Due to members, reserve account	1,839,704,000	1,874,161,000	1,831,916,000	1,800,017,000	1,870,240,000	1,858,774,000	1,852,916,000	1,833,665,000	1,726,329,000
Deferred availability items	594,434,000	572,105,000	550,012,000	626,580,000	574,684,000	601,639,000	553,703,000	578,883,000	591,250,000
Other deposits, incl. for'n gov't credits	55,159,000	71,980,000	*76,592,000	84,627,000	86,282,000	99,265,000	98,578,000	102,939,000	114,678,000
Total gross deposits	2,505,216,000	2,539,950,000	*4,472,709,000	2,567,580,000	2,553,036,000	2,596,791,000	2,541,630,000	2,539,855,000	2,583,427,000
F. R. notes in actual circulation	3,180,948,000	3,168,814,000	3,116,718,000	3,104,810,000	3,112,205,000	3,127,291,000	3,107,021,000	3,085,202,000	2,538,127,000
F. R. bank notes in circulation—net liab.	190,287,000	189,232,000	185,604,000	183,904,000	181,382,000	181,252,000	179,185,000	177,371,000	184,806,000
All other liabilities	42,542,000	40,017,000	84,939,000	82,101,000	78,942,000	75,947,000	72,384,000	69,827,000	12,899,000
Total liabilities	6,178,377,000	6,197,352,000	*6,074,596,000	6,152,977,000	6,139,969,000	6,195,509,000	6,114,340,000	6,086,161,000	5,483,197,000
Ratio of gold reserves to net deposit and F. R. note liabilities combined	40.3%	40.4%	40.7%	41.6%	40.2%	39.7%	39.8%	39.8%	48.2%
Ratio of total reserves to net deposit and F. R. note liabilities combined	43.1%	42.8%	43.6%	44.5%	43.0%	42.5%	42.7%	42.7%	49.8%
Ratio of total reserves to F. R. notes in circulation after setting aside 35% against net deposit liabilities	47.5%	47.2%	48.3%	49.4%	47.5%	46.9%	47.1%	47.1%	60.5%
Distribution by Maturities—									
1-15 days bills bought in open market	105,303,000	109,527,000	120,799,000	119,338,000	101,902,000	112,306,000	117,630,000	109,970,000	91,115,000
1-15 days bills discounted	1,437,411,000	1,389,732,000	1,283,470,000	1,193,472,000	1,440,942,000	1,480,231,000	1,460,744,000	1,419,910,000	1,665,558,000
1-15 days U. S. certif. of indebtedness	26,705,000	53,794,000	62,873,000	86,316,000	18,237,000	8,300,000	18,098,000	15,856,000	18,222,000
1-15 days municipal warrants	67,968,000	76,971,000	83,588,000	77,966,000	88,285,000	91,779,000	72,806,000	87,388,000	58,234,000
16-30 days bills bought in open market	285,693,000	291,845,000	335,105,000	291,222,000	246,996,000	245,573,000	259,574,000	279,341,000	47,463,000
16-30 days U. S. certif. of indebtedness	6,600,000	4,400,000	7,559,000	8,655,000	6,982,000	4,796,000	3,962,000	2,624,000	1,010,000
16-30 days municipal warrants	163,173,000	158,984,000	152,918,000	153,773,000	166,942,000	163,403,000	182,153,000	173,536,000	146,607,000
31-60 days bills bought in open market	486,603,000	511,758,000	469,460,000	495,258,000	508,484,000	486,228,000	473,116,000	477,708,000	136,509,000
31-60 days U. S. certif. of indebtedness	19,400,000	17,600,000	13,100,000	8,600,000	13,172,000	11,560,000	13,385,000	12,510,000	12,486,000
31-60 days municipal warrants	36,147,000	44,603,000	41,880,000	47,514,000	46,767,000	43,200,000	46,011,000	46,474,000	64,079,000
61-90 days bills bought in open market	272,743,000	261,835,000	259,993,000	237,256,000	257,812,000	289,520,000	264,006,000	267,702,000	60,365,000
61-90 days U. S. certif. of indebtedness	36,533,000	28,023,000	29,867,000	27,918,000	24,200,000	35,869,000	13,106,000	16,100,000	28,922,000
61-90 days municipal warrants	79,143,000	90,024,000	83,766,000	78,929,000	68,716,000	62,706,000	61,991,000	55,725,000	26,418,000
Over 90 days bills bought in open market	192,704,000	205,562,000	212,035,000	215,602,000	217,517,000	214,291,000	230,980,000	229,671,000	145,011,000
Over 90 days certif. of indebtedness									
Over 90 days municipal warrants									
Federal Reserve Notes—									
Outstanding	3,454,488,000	3,419,457,000	3,396,168,000	3,375,826,000	3,376,028,000	3,377,189,000	3,359,493,000	3,354,194,000	2,760,288,000
Held by banks	273,540,000	250,643,000	279,450,000	271,016,000	263,823,000	249,898,000	252,472,000	268,992,000	222,161,000
In actual circulation	3,180,948,000	3,168,814,000	3,116,718,000	3,104,810,000	3,112,205,000	3,127,291,000	3,107,021,000	3,085,202,000	2,538,127,000
Fed. Res. Notes (Agents Accounts)—									
Received from the Comptroller	7,200,920,000	7,131,660,000	7,091,560,000	7,049,580,000	7,005,980,000	6,962,440,000	6,932,540,000	6,899,860,000	4,756,900,000
Returned to the Comptroller	3,292,919,000	3,271,334,000	3,240,103,000	3,213,860,000	3,187,928,000	3,163,167,000	3,141,713,000	3,115,807,000	1,626,124,000
Amount chargeable to Fed. Res. agent in hands of Federal Reserve Agent	3,908,001,000	3,860,326,000	3,851,457,000	3,835,720,000	3,818,052,000	3,799,273,000	3,790,827,000	3,784,053,000	3,130,776,000
In hands of Federal Reserve Agent	453,513,000	440,869,000	455,289,000	459,894,000	442,024,000	422,084,000	431,334,000	429,859,000	370,487,000
Issued to Federal Reserve banks	3,454,488,000	3,419,457,000	3,396,168,000	3,375,826,000	3,376,028,000	3,377,189,000	3,359,493,000	3,354,194,000	2,760,289,000
How Secured—									
By gold coin and certificates	259,226,000	259,226,000	259,226,000	261,227,000	258,552,000	258,552,000	258,352,000	257,802,000	231,995,000
By lawful money	2,309,386,000	2,272,513,000	2,245,993,000	2,214,042,000	2,272,277,000	2,266,325,000	2,247,453,000	2,255,370,000	1,597,221,000
Gold redemption fund	116,285,000	110,637,000	113,081,000	113,987,000	108,897,000	108,698,000	106,675,000	107,847,000	88,576,000
With Federal Reserve Board	769,591,000	777,081,000	777,868,000	786,570,000	736,302,000	743,614,000	747,013,000	733,175,000	842,494,000
Total	3,454,488,000	3,419,457,000	3,396,168,000	3,375,826,000	3,376,028,000	3,377,189,000	3,359,493,000	3,354,194,000	2,760,289,000
Eligible paper delivered to F. R. Agent	2,855,592,000	2,884,290,000	2,788,397,000	2,641,202,000	2,862,936,000	2,968,673,000	2,865,104,000	2,861,121,000	2,210,078,000

* Revised figures.

WEEKLY STATEMENT OF RESOURCES AND LIABILITIES OF EACH OF THE 12 FEDERAL RESERVE BANKS AT CLOSE OF BUSINESS JULY 9, 1920.

Two ciphers (00) omitted.	Boston.	New York.	Phila.	Cleveland.	Richmond	Atlanta.	Chicago.	St. Louis.	Minneap.	Kan. City.	Dallas.	San Fran.	Total.
RESOURCES.													
Gold coin and certificates	11,600.0	82,217.0	1,156.0	10,117.0	2,398.0	8,067.0	24,250.0	3,488.0	7,207.0	498.0	5,311.0	12,620.0	168,929.0
Gold Settlement Fund, F. R. Bd	36,716.0	83,980.0	45,320.0	60,057.0	19,940.0	4,220.0	62,924.0	8,951.0	4,812.0	25,832.0	5,971.0	44,037.0	402,760.0
Gold with Foreign Agencies	8,142.0	40,932.0	8,922.0	9,146.0	5,465.0	4,015.0	13,272.0	5,242.0	3,011.0	5,353.0	2,900.0	5,131.0	111,531.0
Total gold held by banks	56,458.0	207,129.0	55,398.0	79,320.0	27,803.0	16,302.0	100,446.0	17,681.0	15,030.0	31,683.0	14,182.0	61,788.0	683,220.0
Gold with Federal Reserve agents	119,620.0	281,827.0	51,790.0	149,550.0	43,029.0	50,566.0	167,547.0	46,374.0	32,278.0	36,795.0	25,555.0	160,171.0	1,145,102.0
Gold redemption fund	17,285.0	35,979.0	15,452.0	1,921.0	5,963.0	6,278.0	32,629.0	5,217.0	22.0	4,248.0	8,589.0	9,411.0	142,994.0
Total gold reserves	193,363.0	524,935.0	162,640.0	230,791.0	76,795.0	73,146.0	300,622.0	69,272.0	47,330.0	72,726.0	48,326.0	171,370.0	1,971,316.0
Legal tender notes, silver, &c.	6,900.0	106,846.0	222.0	1,580.0	101.0	1,366.0	8,632.0	7,331.					

Two ciphers (00) omitted	Boston	New York	Phlla	Cleveland	Richmond	Atlanta	Chicago	St. Louis	Minneap	Kan City	Dallas	San Fran	Total
LIABILITIES (Concluded)—	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Ratio of total reserves to net deposits and F. R. note liabilities combined, per cent.....	51.1	39.8	46.0	52.2	43.2	39.8	39.8	40.7	39.2	41.1	39.8	48.4	43.1
Memoranda— Contingent liability Discounted paper rediscouted with other F. R. banks.....	as endorser on:				24,972.0	5,507.0	31,672.0	25,013.0	15,653.0	12,767.0	11,000.0	-----	126,584.0
Bankers' acceptances sold to other F. R. banks.....	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
Conting. liabil. on bills purch. for foreign correspondents.....	1,168.0	6,089.0	1,280.0	1,312.0	784.0	576.0	1,904.0	752.0	432.0	768.0	416.0	736.0	16,217.0
(a) Includes bills discounted for other F. R. banks, viz.....	35,994.0	36,096.0	-----	54,494.0	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	126,584.0
(b) Includes bankers' acceptances bought from other F. R. banks: With their endorsement.....	4,918.0	-----	10,014.0	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
Without their endorsement.....	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	10,008.0	24,940.0

STATEMENT OF FEDERAL RESERVE AGENTS ACCOUNTS AT CLOSE OF BUSINESS JULY 9 1920.

(In Thousands of Dollars.)	Boston	New York	Phlla.	Cleval.	Richm'd	Atlanta	Chicago	St. L.	Minn.	K. City	Dallas	San Fr.	Total
Resources—	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Federal Reserve notes on hand.....	51,200	135,000	34,680	24,150	28,453	66,975	74,540	15,680	8,235	4,470	9,030	1,100	453,513
Federal Reserve notes outstanding.....	297,607	993,186	265,498	332,587	132,009	145,770	594,622	146,458	80,249	103,682	86,125	276,695	3,454,488
Collateral security for Federal Reserve notes outstanding:													
Gold and gold certificates.....	900	196,608	-----	32,025	-----	2,500	-----	3,810	13,052	-----	10,331	-----	259,226
Gold redemption fund.....	26,720	12,219	15,401	17,525	3,529	3,166	8,403	1,833	1,626	2,935	5,490	17,438	116,285
Gold settlement fund—Federal Reserve Board.....	92,000	73,000	76,389	100,000	39,500	44,900	159,144	40,731	17,600	33,860	9,734	82,733	769,591
Amount required.....	177,987	711,359	173,708	183,037	88,980	95,204	427,075	100,084	47,971	66,887	60,570	176,524	2,309,386
Eligible paper: Excess amount held.....	24,091	257,336	3,479	44,228	18,941	23,660	65,469	11,461	23,205	45,272	16,958	12,106	546,206
Total.....	670,505	2,378,708	569,155	733,552	311,412	382,175	1,329,253	320,057	191,938	257,106	198,238	566,596	7,908,695
Liabilities—													
Federal Reserve notes received from Comptroller, gross.....	611,500	2,227,700	605,880	609,020	338,700	354,060	1,085,840	337,880	166,580	228,180	167,660	467,920	7,200,920
Less amounts returned for destruction.....	262,692	1,099,514	305,702	232,283	178,238	141,315	416,678	175,742	78,096	120,028	72,505	190,125	3,292,919
Net amount of Federal Reserve notes received from Comptroller of the Currency.....	348,807	1,128,186	300,178	376,737	160,462	212,745	669,162	162,138	88,484	108,152	95,155	277,795	3,908,001
Collateral received from Gold.....	119,620	281,827	91,790	149,550	43,029	50,566	167,547	46,374	32,278	36,795	25,555	100,171	1,145,102
Federal Reserve Bank: Eligible paper.....	202,078	968,695	177,187	227,265	107,921	118,864	492,544	111,545	71,176	112,159	77,528	188,630	2,855,592
Total.....	670,505	2,378,708	569,155	733,552	311,412	382,175	1,329,253	320,057	191,938	257,106	198,238	566,596	7,908,695
Federal Reserve notes outstanding.....	297,607	993,186	265,498	332,587	132,009	145,770	594,622	146,458	80,249	103,682	86,125	276,695	3,454,488
Federal Reserve notes held by banks.....	10,275	121,719	13,080	11,966	5,629	4,408	46,705	17,819	1,133	5,031	4,051	31,724	273,540
Federal Reserve notes in actual circulation.....	287,332	871,467	252,418	320,621	126,380	141,362	547,917	128,639	79,116	98,651	82,074	244,971	3,180,948

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 JULY 2 1920.

Large withdrawals of Government deposits in connection with the redemption on July 1 of about 200 millions of Treasury certificates, as against a substantial increase in demand deposits are indicated in the Federal Reserve Board's weekly statement of condition on July 2 of 814 member banks in leading cities. Apparently as a consequence of the large withdrawals of government funds from depository institutions, member bank borrowings from the Reserve Banks and members' reserve balances show considerable increase for the week.

Treasury certificate holdings show a further decline for the week of 63.1 millions, while the amount of other Government securities held remains practically unchanged. Loans secured by Government war obligations show a decline of 2.9 millions for all reporting banks and of 7.3 millions for the New York City banks. Loans secured by corporate stocks and bonds show an increase of 12.5 millions, of which 10.6 millions represents the share of the member banks in New York City. All other loans and investments, including ordinary commercial paper, are shown 11.9 millions larger than the week before. As a consequence of these changes in the different classes of earning assets, total loans and investments show a decrease for

for the week of 41.9 millions for all reporting banks and of 10.2 millions for the New York City members.

Government deposits show a reduction of 155.1 millions, while other demand deposits (net) increased by 142.1 millions and time deposits by 8.5 millions. Hand in hand with the withdrawal of Government funds, the total accommodation of reporting banks at the Federal Reserve Banks, as shown on the books of the latter banks, increased from 1,945.9 millions on June 25 to 2,057.7 millions on July 2, of which somewhat less than one-half was paper secured by Government war obligations. For the New York City banks the corresponding item shows an increase for the week from 611.8 to 688.6 millions. The ratio of accommodation at the Federal Reserve Banks to total loans and investments shows a further rise from 11.5 to 12.2 per cent for all reporting banks and from 10.7 to 12.1 per cent for the New York City banks.

In harmony with the increase in demand deposits and their increased borrowings the banks' balances with the Federal Reserve Banks increased about 52 millions. Cash in vault shows a nominal gain of 0.2 million for all reporting banks and a decline of 4.7 million for the New York City members.

1. Data for all reporting banks in each district. Three ciphers (000) omitted.

Three ciphers (000) omitted.	Boston.	New York	Phladel.	Cleveland.	Richm'd.	Atlanta.	Chicago.	St. Louis.	Minneap.	Kan. City	Dallas.	San Fran.	Total.
Number of reporting banks.....	46	114	57	92	82	47	107	35	35	83	48	68	814
U. S. bonds to secure circulation.....	12,311	46,658	11,347	41,874	28,282	14,185	21,549	16,924	7,321	15,358	19,573	34,485	269,867
Other U. S., incl. Liberty bonds.....	13,946	253,813	29,634	59,911	33,903	28,097	60,880	12,763	9,728	24,467	20,741	61,526	609,409
U. S. Victory notes.....	6,993	86,583	9,059	19,363	7,730	4,093	39,901	2,816	1,048	4,918	3,239	12,567	198,310
U. S. certificates of indebtedness.....	23,249	220,124	24,021	24,743	12,991	9,017	56,197	4,043	5,004	7,649	5,950	26,966	419,954
Total U. S. securities.....	56,499	607,178	74,061	145,891	82,906	55,392	178,527	36,546	23,101	52,392	49,503	135,544	1,497,540
Loans and investments, including bills rediscouted with F. R. and other banks:													
Loans sec. by U. S. war obligation.....	55,521	495,996	96,204	78,783	32,805	28,138	111,289	37,112	17,338	27,340	10,222	32,699	1,023,447
Loans sec. by stocks and bonds.....	192,049	1,342,002	199,672	336,991	104,714	59,672	464,409	127,935	30,589	80,627	36,617	144,189	3,119,466
All other loans and investments.....	791,645	3,962,303	580,865	920,352	388,750	410,267	1,789,753	409,808	288,833	512,986	244,671	988,207	11,288,440
Total loans and investments incl. rediscouts with F. R. banks.....	1,095,714	6,407,479	950,802	1,482,017	609,175	553,469	2,543,978	611,461	359,861	673,345	341,013	1,300,639	16,928,893
Reserve balances with F. R. Bank.....	81,899	719,059	69,101	100,509	35,731	33,359	188,879	40,340	21,781	49,293	24,520	81,242	1,445,713
Cash in vault.....	23,691	116,993	15,862	33,416	18,832	13,664	65,779	9,811	8,710	13,855	10,736	26,903	358,252
Net demand deposits.....	821,565	5,292,471	676,852	893,911	336,088	272,145	1,397,171	312,892	213,863	426,662	223,497	619,074	11,486,191
Time deposits.....	139,219	418,817	33,178	366,872	105,149	152,614	626,094	126,446	64,044	97,828	49,452	520,658	2,700,371
Government deposits.....	7,934	52,515	7,246	9,483	1,397	2,503	12,455	3,031	365	3,751	1,173	5,937	107,790
Bills payable with F. R. Bank:													
Secured by U. S. war obligations.....	31,751	349,412	54,978	45,941	35,358	32,396	91,867	21,433	6,972	27,475	14,545	29,744	741,872
All other.....	-----	-----	-----	111	1,154	386	-----	-----	350	60	-----	285	2,346
Bills rediscouted with F. R. Bank:													
Secured by U. S. war obligations.....	24,653	129,822	58,076	14,684	5,913	6,063	15,050	12,619	2,426	6,419	1,874	2,292	279,891
All other.....	60,168	271,148	32,408	44,564	37,406	46,902	274,887	69,063	51,437	59,830	18,201	67,607	1,033,621

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.		
	July 3	June 25	July 3	June 25	July 3	June 25	July 3	June 25	July 3	June 25	July 3	June 25	July 3 '19.
Number of reporting banks.....	72	72	50	50	280	280	198	198	336	336	814	814	773
U. S. bonds to secure circulation.....	36,961	36,961	1,438	1,438	98,666	98,654	70,898	70,905	100,303	100,224	269,867	269,783	269,314
Other U. S. bonds, incl. Lib. bds.....	220,560	221,092	24,690	25,199	345,290	344,897	143,535	143,509	120,584	121,491	609,409	609,897	635,170
U. S. Victory notes.....	77,000	75,638	12,226	12,388	107,224	106,012	51,988	52,293	39,098	39,820	198,310	198,125	349,918
U. S. certificates of indebtedness.....	203,782	223,003	21,023	24,048	289,837	334,010	80,891	93,901	49,226	56,033	419,954	483,124	1,001,415
Total U. S. securities.....	538,303	556,694	59,377	63,073	841,017	883,573	347,312	359,788	309,211	317,568	1,497,540	1,560,929	2,255,817
Loans and investments, including bills rediscouted with F. R. banks:													
Loans sec. by U. S. war obligation.....	466,884	474,175	78,150	71,556	781,920	782,367	136,415	138,241	105,112	105,683	1,023,447	1,026,291	1,369,948
Loans sec. by stocks and bonds.....	1,186,362	1,175,820	345,691	344,547	2,213,141	2,207,793	484,957	483,110	421,368	416,122	3,119,466	3,107,025	1,038,736
All other loans and investments.....	3,491,814	3,486,948	1,070,359	1,069,918	7,221,013	7,200,368	2,174,844	2,181,400	1,892,553	1,894,738	11,288,440	11,276,506	10,736,448
Total loans & investments, incl. rediscouts with F. R. banks.....	5,683,363	5,693,637	1,553,577	1,549,094	11,057,121	11,074,121							

Bankers' Gazette.

Wall Street, Friday Night, July 16 1920.

Railroad and Miscellaneous Stocks.—For reasons which are not altogether clear business at the Stock Exchange has been of a negative character throughout the week. From a total of nearly 800,000 shares on Monday the transactions steadily dwindled to less than 400,000 on Thursday and prices show a similar record. Doubtless this is owing in part to a logical reaction from last week's buoyant tendency and also, perhaps, to a sensitive money market. The latter held fairly steady at 8% until Thursday, when a maximum of 11% was reached, whereas it was generally expected that by this time normal rates would prevail. Meanwhile sterling exchange has continued to decline in this market until it is now about 12 cents lower than on July 1.

Practically all the steel shares were favorably affected by Lackawanna's excellent report for the second quarter of the year and week by week crop reports foreshadow more abundant harvests than two or three months ago seemed possible.

To-day's market has been somewhat more active than that of the two preceding days and generally weak. Reading has led the railway list in a decline of 3 points within the week, but Texas & Pac. lost almost as much and So. Pac. is 2 points lower. The average loss of the railways is, however, about a point and of industrials about 5 points for a considerable part of the active issues. Among the exceptional features is Crue. Steel in a decline of 16 points, while Stromberg lost nearly 12, Studebaker 7, Atlantic G. & W. I. 10, Baltimore S, and Mex. Pet. over 6.

The following sales have occurred this week of shares not represented in our detailed list on the pages which follow:

STOCKS. Week ending July 16.	Sales for Week.	Range for Week.		Range since Jan. 1.	
		Lowest.	Highest.	Lowest.	Highest.
Am Brake Sh & F...no par	100	53 3/4	July 16 53 3/4	July 16 53 3/4	July 53 3/4
Preferred.....100	200	86	July 16 86 1/2	July 16 86	July 86 1/2
Preferred (old).....100	150	245	July 13 245	July 13 170 1/4	Jan 245
American Snuff.....100	300	102	July 16 105 1/2	July 12 86	Feb 115 1/2
Am Tobacco com B...100	200	208	July 16 209	July 16 208	July 210
Ann Arbor.....100	200	16 1/2	July 14 16 1/2	July 13 7	Jan 17
Preferred.....100	100	30	July 13 30	July 13 20	May 30
Assets Realization...10	500	3 1/2	July 15 3 1/2	July 15 3 1/2	Feb 6 3/4
Atlantic Refg, pref...100	500	104 1/2	July 12 105	July 12 103	May 114
Austin, Nich & Co...no par	300	22 1/2	July 13 22 3/4	July 10 22 1/4	July 24
Brunswick Terminal...100	400	6	July 16 6 1/2	July 12 5 1/2	Feb 8 1/2
Buffalo & Susq v t e...100	100	65	July 12 65	July 12 65	June 69 3/4
Case Thresh M, pref...100	300	93 1/4	July 14 94	July 12 93	May 101
Central RR of N J...100	600	203	July 12 205	July 14 175	Jan 205
Chicago & Alton...100	100	8 1/4	July 12 8 1/4	July 12 6	Feb 11 1/4
C & E III pref trust retracts	2,000	7	July 12 8	July 12 4 1/2	Jan 11
C St P M & Omaha...100	100	60	July 12 60	July 12 58	June 66
Cluett, Peabody & Co...100	700	77	July 15 80	July 10 77	July 106
Computing-Tab-Rec...100	200	49 1/2	July 16 49 3/4	July 12 44	Feb 56
De Beers Cons M...no par	600	31 1/2	July 12 32	July 12 31 1/2	July 36 3/4
Duluth S S & Atl...100	100	4 1/2	July 12 4 1/2	July 12 3	May 5 1/2
Preferred.....100	1,000	8	July 12 8 1/2	July 12 7	Apr 11
General Chemical...100	300	170	July 13 174 3/4	July 12 150	June 192
Preferred.....100	300	94	July 10 95 1/4	July 10 86 1/2	May 100
Int Nickel, pref...100	300	80 1/2	July 15 81	July 12 80	June 88
Kress (S H) & Co, pf...100	100	101	July 12 101	July 12 100 1/4	Jan 102
Liggett & Myers B...100	200	135	July 16 135	July 16 135	July 155 1/4
Mallinat & Co, pref...100	100	70	July 12 70	July 12 70	July 80 1/4
Manhat Elec Supply...100	100	57 1/4	July 13 57 1/4	July 13 57 1/4	July 57 1/4
Martin-Parry...no par	1,700	22	July 15 22	July 15 20	June 30 1/2
Maxwell Motor...100	400	23 1/2	July 14 25	July 10 15 1/2	Feb 38
Certifics of deposit...100	100	19	July 10 19	July 10 15	May 35 1/2
First pref etfs of dep...500	38	July 13 43	July 10 30 1/2	May 62 3/4	Jan 64
Michigan Central...100	10	74	July 16 74	July 16 74	July 74
M St P & S S Marie...100	100	69 1/4	July 14 69 1/4	July 14 63	Feb 80
Mullins Body...no par	800	r 37 1/2	July 16 42	July 10 32 1/2	May 51
Nat Biscuit, pref...100	400	103 1/2	July 13 108	July 15 103 1/2	July 116
Norfolk Southern...100	400	22	July 13 24 1/4	July 10 10	Feb 29
Norfolk & West, pref...100	25	65	July 10 65	July 10 64	May 72
Ohio Body & Blow...no par	200	27	July 15 27	July 14 26 3/4	July 29 3/4
Penney (J C), pref...100	300	91 1/2	July 14 92	July 12 90	Feb 98
Rand Mines Ltd...no par	100	29	July 16 29	July 16 28	June 29
Reis (Robt) & Co...no par	100	16 1/2	July 12 16 1/2	July 12 15	June 23
First preferred...100	100	84	July 14 84	July 14 75	June 84
Shattuck-Arizona...10	200	9	July 15 9	July 15 8 1/4	June 12 3/4
So Porto Rico Sugar...100	100	290	July 15 290	July 15 200	Feb 310
Preferred.....100	110	108	July 14 108	July 14 108	May 116
Standard Oil N J part paid receipts...200	104 3/4	July 12 105	July 12 100 3/4	June 105	July 105
Third Ave Ry...100	700	10 3/4	July 14 11	July 12 10 3/4	July 17 1/2
Times Square Auto Sup...5,200	30	July 16 34 1/4	July 15 30	July 34 1/4	July 34 1/4
United Drug rights...20,300	1 1/2	July 10 1 1/2	July 15 1 1/2	July 1 1/2	June 1 1/2
Wisconsin Central...100	200	26 1/2	July 12 27	July 12 25	May 33

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

Week ending July 16 1920.	Stocks.		Railroad, &c., Bonds.	State, Mun. & Foreign Bonds.	United States Bonds.
	Shares.	Par Value.			
Saturday	320,960	\$28,482,000	\$1,071,000	\$435,000	\$3,278,000
Monday	752,900	68,171,000	2,128,000	915,500	6,178,000
Tuesday	649,620	58,297,500	2,329,000	1,080,500	9,990,000
Wednesday	506,640	44,885,000	1,762,000	756,500	7,496,000
Thursday	385,670	34,553,500	1,440,000	709,500	5,092,000
Friday	567,750	50,635,750	1,816,500	985,000	7,818,600
Total	3,183,543	\$285,024,750	\$10,546,500	\$4,882,000	\$42,852,600

Sales at New York Stock Exchange.	Week ending July 16.		Jan. 1 to July 16.	
	1920.	1919.	1920.	1919.
Stocks—No. shares	3,183,543	9,533,666	132,294,689	160,433,332
Par value	\$285,024,750	\$842,008,700	\$11,725,449,775	\$15,062,829,230
Bank shares, par			\$1,400	\$47,200
Bonds.				
Government bonds	\$42,352,600	\$53,210,900	\$1,670,760,750	\$1,263,900,900
State, mun., &c., bds.	4,882,000	3,438,500	211,168,800	186,602,000
RR. and misc. bonds	10,546,500	12,070,000	317,302,000	306,644,000
Total bonds	\$58,281,100	\$68,719,400	\$2,199,231,550	\$1,757,146,900

DAILY TRANSACTIONS AT THE BOSTON, PHILADELPHIA AND BALTIMORE EXCHANGES.

Week ending July 16 1920.	Boston		Philadelphia		Baltimore	
	Shares	Bond Sales	Shares	Bond Sales	Shares	Bond Sales
Saturday	7,241	\$33,100	2,854	\$76,500	1,595	\$2,000
Monday	14,295	125,900	6,539	44,000	1,458	10,400
Tuesday	11,475	58,150	7,276	177,700	1,479	15,500
Wednesday	11,216	54,750	5,838	82,300	2,069	14,000
Thursday	13,423	69,650	4,192	42,000	5,704	18,000
Friday	12,473	5,000	2,547	18,000	3,060	7,000
Total	70,123	\$346,550	29,246	\$440,500	15,365	\$66,900

State and Railroad Bonds.—Sales of State bonds at the Board include \$1,000 N. Y. Canal 4s of 1960 at 93 and \$16,000 Virginia 6s deferred trust receipts at 51 1/4 to 55.

The market for railway and industrial bonds has been relatively active and steady, reflecting the reinvestment of July 1 interest and dividend payments. The new Belgium and Swiss loans have been in favor, the former at advancing prices. A list of other strong features includes Am. Tel. & Tel., Atchison, Gen. Electric, Reading, Penn. 7s, So. Pacific, Union Pac., and So. Ry issues. On the other hand public utilities, including loans, gas and the local traction, have been notably weak and Inter. Mer. Mar. and Steel 5s are fractionally lower.

United States Bonds.—Sales of Government bonds at the Board are limited to \$3,000 4s coup. at 105 and the various Liberty Loan issues.

Daily Record of Liberty Loan Prices.	July 10	July 12	July 13	July 14	July 15	July 16
First Liberty Loan	{ High 91.28	91.24	91.28	91.18	91.10	91.14
3 1/2s, 15-30 year, 1932-47	{ Low 91.12	90.90	90.74	91.02	90.94	90.90
	{ Close 91.14	90.92	91.16	91.08	91.02	91.00
Total sales in \$1,000 units	224	690	1,051	1,638	1,042	353
Second Liberty Loan	{ High 85.72	85.64	85.46	85.54	85.40	85.20
4s, 10-25 year conv, 1942	{ Low 85.56	85.60	85.20	85.32	85.24	84.90
	{ Close 85.56	85.64	85.30	85.42	85.26	84.90
Total sales in \$1,000 units	31	16	45	90	10	24
Second Liberty Loan	{ High 86.20	86.40	86.10	---	---	86.10
4s, convertible, 1932-47	{ Low 86.10	86.10	86.10	---	---	86.10
	{ Close 86.10	86.10	86.10	---	---	86.10
Total sales in \$1,000 units	3	8	2	---	---	9
Third Liberty Loan	{ High 89.78	89.74	89.20	89.20	89.04	88.90
4 1/4s of 1928	{ Low 89.60	89.26	89.00	89.00	88.66	88.52
	{ Close 89.70	89.46	89.10	89.02	88.88	88.66
Total sales in \$1,000 units	398	768	1,185	605	1,086	1,053
Third Liberty Loan	{ High 86.30	86.50	86.40	86.50	86.50	86.38
4 1/4s of 1st L L conv, '32-'47	{ Low 86.10	86.30	86.22	86.32	86.10	85.90
	{ Close 86.24	86.42	86.40	86.46	86.44	85.90
Total sales in \$1,000 units	80	202	90	33	83	90
Third Liberty Loan	{ High 85.78	85.80	85.60	85.62	85.60	85.36
4 1/4s of 2d L L conv, '27-'42	{ Low 85.62	85.60	85.30	85.50	85.38	85.00
	{ Close 85.74	85.60	85.54	85.56	85.42	85.04
Total sales in \$1,000 units	445	1,548	1,921	968	1,415	1,435
Fourth Liberty Loan	{ High 86.00	86.00	85.84	85.90	85.78	85.60
4 1/4s of 1933-38	{ Low 85.86	85.80	85.62	85.66	85.58	85.30
	{ Close 85.96	85.80	85.76	85.78	85.68	85.34
Total sales in \$1,000 units	941	1,653	2,811	2,395	2,220	2,475
Fourth Liberty Loan	{ High 94.10	---	95.00	---	96.20	96.10
4 1/4s, 1st L L 2d conv, '32-'47	{ Low 94.10	---	95.00	---	95.50	95.00
	{ Close 94.10	---	95.00	---	96.20	95.00
Total sales in \$1,000 units	3	---	5	---	11	10
Victory Liberty Loan	{ High 96.00	96.02	96.00	96.02	95.98	95.94
4 1/4s conv gold notes, '22-'23	{ Low 95.94	95.96	95.92	95.94	95.90	95.80
	{ Close 96.00	95.96	96.00	95.96	95.92	95.88
Total sales in \$1,000 units	652	674	1,780	711	881	933
Victory Liberty Loan	{ High 95.98	96.00	95.98	96.00	95.94	95.90
3 1/2s, conv gold notes, '22-'23	{ Low 95.92	95.96	95.92	95.92	95.90	95.82
	{ Close 95.98	95.98	95.94	95.92	95.90	95.84
Total sales in \$1,000 units	404	677	463	595	139	370

Foreign Exchange.

To-day's (Friday's) actual rates for sterling exchange were 3 85 3/4 @ 3 86 1/4 for sixty days, 3 88 @ 3 89 for cheques and 3 88 1/4 @ 3 89 1/4 for cables. Commercial on banks sight, 3 87 1/2 @ 3 88 1/2, sixty days 3 84 1/2 @ 3 85 1/2, ninety days, 3 81 1/2 @ 3 82 1/2 and documents for payt. (sixty days) 3 83 1/2 @ 3 84 1/2. Cotton for payt. 3 87 1/2 @ 3 88 1/2 and grain for payt. 3 87 1/2 @ 3 88 1/2.

To-day's (Friday's) actual rates for Paris bankers' francs were 12.06 @ 12.21 for long and 12.00 @ 12.15 for short. German bankers' marks are not yet quoted for long and short bills. Amsterdam bankers' guilders were 34 9-16 for long and 34 15-16 for short.

Exchange at Paris on London, 46.34; week's range, 46.34 francs high and 46.98 francs low.

The range for foreign exchange for the week follows:

Sterling, Actual	Sixty Days.	Cheques.	Cables.
High for the week	3 91 1/2	3 94 1/2	3 95 3/4
Low for the week	3 84 1/2	3 87 1/2	3 88 1/4

Paris Bankers' Francs—High for the week 11.90, Low for the week 12.28.

German Bankers' Marks—High for the week 2.62, Low for the week 2.50.

Amsterdam Bankers' Guilders—High for the week 34 13-16, Low for the week 34 1/2.

Domestic Exchange.—Chicago, par. St. Louis, 15 @ 25c. per \$1,000 discount. Boston, par. San Francisco, par. Montreal, \$122.50 per \$1,000 premium. Cincinnati, par.

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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 July 10	Monday July 12	Tuesday July 13	Wednesday July 14	Thursday July 15	Friday July 16		Shares	Railroads	Lowest	Highest	Lowest	Highest
\$ per share	\$ per share	\$ per share	\$ per share	\$ per share	\$ per share		Par	\$ per share	\$ per share	\$ per share	\$ per share	
80 3/4	80 7/8	80 1/4	80 3/4	80 1/2	80 3/4	8,000	Atoch Topeka & Santa Fe.....100	76 Feb 11	86 1/2 Mar 10	80 1/2 Dec	104 May	
*72 1/2	73	*72	73 1/2	*72 1/2	73	700	Do pref.....100	72 May 20	82 Jan 3	70 7/8 Dec	89 Jan	
8	8 1/4	8 3/8	8 3/8	8 3/8	8 3/8	2,400	Atlanta Birm & Atlantic.....100	5 Apr 21	8 7/8 Feb 24	6 Mar	15 1/2 July	
*83	86	*84	87	*85	87	200	Atlantic Coast Line RR.....100	x82 1/2 Jun 18	93 Jan 7	87 1/2 Dec	107 May	
32 3/8	33 1/8	32 1/2	33 3/8	32	32 5/8	11,700	Baltimore & Ohio.....100	27 5/8 Feb 13	38 7/8 Feb 24	38 3/4 Dec	55 1/4 May	
43 1/2	44	43 3/8	44 7/8	45	45	2,400	Do pref.....100	40 1/8 Jun 28	49 7/8 Feb 24	38 1/2 Dec	59 1/2 July	
11 1/2	11 1/2	11 1/2	11 1/2	11 1/2	11 1/2	2,800	Brooklyn Rapid Transit.....100	10 1/4 July 16	17 Mar 15	10 Dec	33 1/2 July	
*8 1/2	9 1/8	*8 1/2	9 3/4	*8 3/4	9 1/2	600	Certificates of deposit.....100	7 Jan 3	13 1/4 Mar 15	5 Dec	28 1/4 July	
118 1/2	122 3/4	123 1/4	126 3/4	121 5/8	124 5/8	20,500	Canadian Pacific.....100	110 May 20	131 Jan 3	126 1/8 Dec	170 7/8 July	
54 3/4	54 3/4	55	56 1/4	54	54 1/2	5,400	Chesapeake & Ohio.....100	47 Feb 13	59 1/2 Mar 10	51 1/2 Dec	68 1/2 May	
8 3/8	8 3/8	8 3/8	8 1/2	8 1/4	8 1/4	1,200	Chicago Great Western.....100	7 Feb 13	10 7/8 Feb 20	7 1/4 Jan	12 July	
22 1/2	23	23	23 1/2	21 5/8	23	2,400	Do pref.....100	19 7/8 May 24	27 1/8 Feb 28	21 Dec	30 7/8 May	
34 3/4	35	34 3/4	36 1/4	34	35 1/2	13,000	Chicago Milw & St Paul.....100	30 1/4 Feb 6	42 1/2 Mar 11	34 1/8 Dec	52 3/4 July	
51 1/2	52 3/4	52	53 3/4	51	52	12,205	Do pref.....100	45 1/4 Feb 13	61 1/2 Mar 11	43 7/8 Dec	76 July	
70	71	70	70 1/2	70 1/4	70 3/8	3,000	Chicago & Northwestern.....100	67 Jun 24	91 1/2 Mar 10	85 Nov	105 May	
*98 1/2	103	*98 1/2	103	99	99 1/2	300	Do pref.....100	98 Jun 28	120 Jan 6	116 Dec	133 Jan	
37 3/8	38	37 3/8	38 5/8	37 3/8	38 3/8	46,700	Chic Rock Isl & Pac.....100	23 1/2 Feb 13	41 Mar 8	22 1/8 Jan	32 1/4 July	
*73	74	*73	74	*73	75	700	7% preferred.....100	64 1/4 Feb 13	78 Feb 21	68 Dec	84 June	
64	64	64 1/4	64 1/4	63 3/8	64 1/2	600	6% preferred.....100	54 Feb 11	66 1/2 Mar 1	55 1/4 Aug	73 July	
54	54	54	54 1/4	54	54 1/2	600	Clev Clin Chic & St Louis.....100	42 Feb 6	65 Mar 15	32 Feb	54 7/8 June	
22	23 1/2	24	24 7/8	24 1/2	24 1/2	500	Do pref.....100	62 May 19	68 Feb 24	63 Sept	74 July	
*46	49	*46	49	49	49	30	Colorado & Southern.....100	20 Feb 11	27 Feb 19	19 Dec	31 1/2 May	
*40	50	*40	50	40	50	30	Do 1st pref.....100	46 July 6	51 1/2 Mar 25	48 Dec	58 1/2 July	
90	90	89 3/4	90	89 1/2	89 1/2	2,100	Do 2d pref.....100	40 1/2 July 7	43 Jan 16	45 Feb	51 1/2 May	
195	198	192 1/2	192 1/2	190	194 3/4	2,000	Delaware & Hudson.....100	83 1/4 Jun 29	99 3/4 Mar 13	91 1/2 Dec	116 May	
5 1/4	5 1/2	5 1/2	5 1/2	5 1/2	5 1/2	7,200	Delaware Lack & Western.....50	166 Feb 10	210 Jun 21	172 1/2 Mar	217 May	
11 3/8	11 7/8	11 3/8	12	11 1/8	11 1/8	8,100	Denver & Rio Grande.....100	4 Jun 17	9 Jan 3	3 1/2 Apr	15 1/2 July	
12 3/8	13	12 7/8	13 3/8	13	13 3/8	16,000	Do pref.....100	9 Feb 11	16 3/8 Feb 24	6 1/8 Feb	24 July	
20	20	20 1/4	21	20	20 3/8	8,400	Do 1st pref.....100	9 1/2 Feb 13	15 5/8 Feb 24	12 3/8 Dec	20 1/4 May	
13 1/2	13 3/4	14	14 3/8	13 3/8	14 1/2	2,000	Do 2d pref.....100	17 1/2 May 20	25 Feb 24	18 1/2 Dec	33 July	
71	72	70 3/4	72 1/8	70	71 3/4	10,000	Great Northern pref.....100	12 1/2 Feb 9	17 1/2 Feb 24	13 3/4 Dec	23 1/4 July	
*36	36 1/2	*35 1/2	36 1/2	35 1/2	35 1/2	2,100	Iron Ore properties.....No par	33 Feb 13	41 7/8 Mar 19	31 1/4 Jan	52 3/4 July	
*12 1/2	14	*13 1/4	13 3/4	*12 1/2	13 3/4	300	Gulf Mob & Nor tr cts.....100	7 Jan 24	15 May 5	7 Sept	12 7/8 July	
*28	31	*29	31	*29	32	200	Preferred.....100	28 Jan 24	34 Apr 14	30 Dec	40 1/2 July	
*81 3/4	83	*81 1/2	82 1/2	*81 1/2	83	800	Illinois Central.....100	80 7/8 Feb 13	93 3/4 Mar 10	85 7/8 Dec	104 May	
*3 3/8	3 7/8	*3 1/2	3 5/8	*3 1/2	3 5/8	1,100	Interboro Cons Corp.....No par	3 1/4 May 20	4 1/4 Mar 13	3 1/8 Mar	9 1/8 June	
*10 3/4	11 3/8	*10 3/4	11 1/2	*10 3/4	11	700	Do pref.....100	9 1/2 Feb 13	16 1/2 Mar 15	10 Dec	31 1/4 June	
17	18	18	18 3/4	18	18 1/2	4,700	Kansas City Southern.....100	13 3/8 May 5	19 1/2 Feb 24	13 Nov	25 1/4 May	
43	43	44	44 3/8	44	44 1/2	300	Do pref.....100	40 May 19	48 1/2 Mar 1	40 Dec	57 May	
43 7/8	43 7/8	44	44 3/8	44 1/2	44 1/2	3,200	Lehigh Valley.....50	39 3/4 May 24	47 1/4 Mar 10	40 1/2 Dec	60 3/8 June	
*100 1/2	103	*100 1/2	103	*100 1/2	102 1/2	100	Louisville & Nashville.....100	97 Jun 10	112 1/2 Jan 5	104 7/8 Aug	122 3/4 May	
14 1/4	14 1/2	14 1/2	14 7/8	14	14 5/8	3,700	Manhattan Ry guar.....100	38 1/4 July 2	52 1/8 Mar 20	37 3/8 Dec	88 Jan	
6 3/8	7 1/8	7	7 1/4	6 3/4	7 1/8	6,200	Minneapolis & St L (new).....100	9 Feb 13	18 1/2 Mar 9	9 1/8 Jan	24 1/2 July	
25 1/2	26 3/8	26	26 3/4	25 7/8	27 1/4	300	Missouri Kansas & Texas.....100	3 1/2 May 22	11 Feb 21	4 1/8 Feb	10 3/8 July	
42	43 7/8	43 3/4	45 1/4	42 3/4	44 3/8	20,900	Do pref.....100	7 May 24	18 Feb 19	8 1/2 Jan	25 1/8 July	
5	5 3/4	5	5 1/2	5 1/4	5 1/2	300	Do 1st pref.....100	21 Feb 11	31 1/8 Feb 28	22 1/8 Nov	38 7/8 July	
33 1/2	34 1/2	35	35	34 1/2	35	9,400	Do pref trust cts.....100	30 Feb 11	49 3/4 Feb 24	37 1/2 Dec	58 3/4 June	
69 5/8	70 1/2	70	70 7/8	69 1/4	70	700	Nat Rys of Mex 2d pref.....100	4 1/4 Feb 13	7 3/8 Mar 29	4 1/4 Dec	14 Mar	
*29	31	*30 3/8	30 3/8	30	30 1/2	400	New Ork Tex & Mex v t c.....100	31 Jun 18	47 1/2 Feb 20	28 3/4 Apr	50 Sept	
*55	60	*55	60	55	60	100	New York Central.....100	64 1/4 Feb 13	77 1/2 Mar 10	68 3/4 Dec	83 3/4 June	
*48	49	49	49	49	49 1/2	200	N Y Chicago & St Louis.....100	23 3/4 Feb 13	36 1/2 Mar 11	23 3/4 Sept	33 1/4 July	
30 3/4	31 3/8	30 3/8	32	30 3/4	30 3/4	22,500	First preferred.....100	50 Apr 13	62 Mar 11	60 1/2 Dec	70 Apr	
18 7/8	18 7/8	19	19	18	19	200	Second preferred.....100	41 1/4 May 4	60 Mar 12	40 Nov	53 1/2 July	
90 1/2	90 1/2	89 3/4	91 1/4	89 1/2	89 1/2	2,100	N Y N H & Hartford.....100	23 1/2 Feb 11	36 3/4 Mar 10	25 1/8 Dec	40 7/8 July	
72 5/8	73	72 1/4	73 3/8	71 1/2	72 1/2	6,800	N Y Ontario & Western.....100	16 Feb 6	21 7/8 Mar 10	16 1/2 Nov	24 1/4 July	
39 3/4	40	39 3/4	40	39 3/8	39 3/8	16,830	Norfolk & Western.....100	81 1/4 Jun 16	100 1/8 Mar 10	95 Dec	112 1/2 May	
25	25 5/8	25	26 1/2	25	25 5/8	13,300	Northern Pacific.....100	66 3/4 Jun 12	84 5/8 Mar 18	77 Dec	99 7/8 May	
30 1/2	31	31	31 1/2	30 1/2	31 1/2	2,800	Pennsylvania.....50	37 7/8 May 24	43 1/2 Mar 10	39 7/8 Dec	48 1/2 May	
*73 1/2	76	*74	76	*73 1/2	76	700	Pere Marquette v t c.....100	22 1/4 May 20	32 Feb 19	12 1/8 Jan	33 1/2 Dec	
90 3/4	92	90 1/8	92 7/8	89 5/8	91 5/8	166,900	Do prior pref v t c.....100	57 July 2	68 Feb 27	56 Mar	70 Dec	
*43 1/2	44	43 1/2	43 1/2	43 1/2	43 1/2	700	Do pref v t c.....100	39 June 8	51 Jan 5	39 Apr	53 1/8 Dec	
45	45	45	45	45	45	37,100	Pitts Clin C & St L cts dep.....100	69 May 28	75 1/2 Jun 24	69 Dec	84 1/2 June	
25	26 3/8	26	26 3/4	25 3/8	26 1/4	200	Pittsburgh & West Va.....100	21 1/2 Feb 11	33 1/4 Apr 26	24 Dec	44 3/4 June	
*31	34 1/2	*33	35	*32	35	100	Do pref.....100	70 Feb 11	80 Mar 20	75 Dec	84 1/2 June	
15 1/4	15 3/4	16	17 3/8	16 1/4	17 1/8	17,000	Reading.....50	64 3/4 Feb 11	94 3/4 Apr 7	73 7/8 Dec	93 3/8 June	
25 7/8	26 1/2	26 3/4	28	26 1/2	28	5,800	Do 1st pref.....50	32 7/8 Mar 9	45 Apr 27	33 Dec	38 1/2 Feb	
*12 3/4	13 1/4	13 1/4	14	14	14	1,900	Do 2d pref.....6	33 1/4 Mar 9	45 Apr 27	33 3/4 Dec	39 1/2 May	
94 1/8	95 3/8	94 1/8	95 5/8	93 3/8	94 1/2	40,400	St Louis-San Fran tr cts.....100	15 1/4 Feb 13	26 3/4 July 12	10 3/4 Jan	27 3/4 July	
27 1/2	29 3/8	28 1/2	30 7/8	28 5/8	29 3/8	179,300	Preferred A trust cts.....100	23 1/2 Jan 14	34 Feb 20	20 Dec	37 May	
58 1/2	59	58 5/8	60 1/2	58 3/4	59 1/2	3,600	St Louis Southwestern.....100	11 Feb 11	18 Feb 24	10 7/8 Dec	23 3/8 July	
42	42 3/4	41 3/4	43 1/2	41 1/8	42 1/4	21,100	Do pref.....100	20 1/8 May 24	30 Feb 21	23 Dec	37 1/8 July	
114 1/2	116	115 1/2	116 7/8	115 1/2	116 1/4	12,900	Seaboard Air Line.....100	6 July 1	9 3/8 Feb 19	6 5/8 Dec	12 July	
*65	66	64 7/8	65 3/4	64	64	700	Do pref.....100	10 July 1	18 1/2 Mar 1	12 Dec	23 3/4 July	
*10 3/8	10 1/2	10	10 1/4	10	10 1/2	600	Southern Pacific Co.....100	88 1/8 Feb 13	105 3/8 Jan 3	91 7/8 Nov	115 June	
21 1/8	22 1/2	21 1/8	21 1/8	21	21	700	Do pref.....100	18 Feb 14	30 7/8 July 12	20 1/4 Dec	33 May	
8 1/2	8 7/8	8 1/2	9	8 3/8	8 3/8	6,300	Southern Railway.....100	50 Feb 13	60 1/2 July 12	52 7/8 Dec	72 1/2 May	
*15	16 1/2	16 1/2	17	15 1/2	16	15,300	Do pref.....100	25 Feb 13	47 1/2 Mar 22	27 1/2 Jan	70 1/2 July	
10	10 1/4	10	10 3/8	9 3/4	10	900	Texas & Pacific.....100	27 1/4 Jun 23	35 Jan 26	29 3/4 Dec	60 June	
*29	30	28 3/4	30 7/8	29	29 7/8	2,600	Twin City Rapid Transit.....100	10 Feb 13	12 1/2 Mar 10	11 1/4 Aug	138 1/2 May	
*60	65	66	67	60	66 1/2	800	Union Pacific.....100	61 1/4 May 24	69 1/4 Jan 3	63 Dec	74 3/4 Mar	
11	11 1/8	11	11 1/									

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

Table with columns: HIGH AND LOW SALE PRICES—PER SHARE NOT PER CENT. (Saturday July 10 to Friday July 16), Sales for the Week, STOCKS NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE, PER SHARE Range since Jan. 1. (Lowest, Highest), PER SHARE Range for Previous Year 1919 (Lowest, Highest). Rows list various stocks like Amer Telephone & Teleg, American Tobacco, Do pref, etc.

* Bid and asked prices; no sales on this day. † Less than 100 shares. ‡ Ex-rights. § Ex-div. and rights. ¶ Par value \$100. * Old stock. z Ex-dividend.

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Table with columns for 'HIGH AND LOW SALE PRICES—PER SHARE, NOT PER CENT.', 'STOCKS NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE', and 'PER SHARE Range since Jan. 1.'. Includes sub-columns for days of the week, sales for the week, and price ranges (Lowest/Highest) for the current week and previous year.

* Bid and asked prices; no sales on this day. † Less than 100 shares. ‡ Ex-rights. a Ex-div. and rights. r Ex-div. c Reduced to basis of \$25 par. n Par \$100

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

Main table containing bond listings with columns for Bond Name, Interest Period, Price (Bid/Ask), Week's Range, Bonds Sold, and Range Since Jan. 1. Includes sections for U.S. Government, Foreign Government, State and City Securities, and Railroad.

* N.Y. price Friday, latest this week. a Due Jan. d Due April. e Due May. f Due June. h Due July. k Due Aug. l Due Oct. m Due Nov. n Due Dec. o Option sale

BONDS N. Y. STOCK EXCHANGE Week ending July 16										BONDS N. Y. STOCK EXCHANGE Week ending July 16									
Interest Period	Price Friday July 16		Week's Range or Last Sale		Bonds Sold	Range Since Jan. 1.		Interest Period	Price Friday July 16		Week's Range or Last Sale		Bonds Sold	Range Since Jan. 1.					
	Bid	Ask	Low	High		Low	High		Bid	Ask	Low	High		Low	High				
F A			102 1/8	Feb '08															
F A																			
J N	94 3/4	96 1/8	96	June '20	21	96	96 7/8	M N	61 1/2	62	61 1/2	July '20	7	60	72				
J N	72	Sale	71	72	19	67	81	M N	71 1/2	Sale	69 3/4	71 1/2	7	69	83				
A O	73 1/8	74 1/2	74	75	55	73	85 1/4	A O	86	100	89 1/2	June '20	21	92	103				
J A	100 7/8	Sale	100 1/4	101 1/4	4	99 7/8	101 1/4	J J	94 1/2	Sale	93 3/8	95	21	92	103				
A O	61 3/8	6 1/4	67	May '20	67	67	72 1/2	J J	84 1/8	95	98 1/8	Jan '20		98 1/8	98 1/8				
M N	99 7/8	104	100 1/4	July '20	1	100 1/4	100 1/4	J J			105	Oct '13							
J J	63	Sale	62	63 1/2	44	58 3/4	67 7/8	M S		75 1/8	73	Jan '20		73	73				
J J	65 1/8	68	64 1/4	64 1/4	2	62 7/8	72 7/8	M S											
J J	68 3/8	Sale	68	68 3/8	25	63	70 1/2	M S	83	89	84 3/4	June '20		84 3/8	92				
J J	45	Sale	44 3/4	46 1/2	33	49		M S	75 1/8		79	May '20		77	79				
F A	42	Sale	42	42	4	39	43 1/2	M S	64 1/2	Sale	64 1/2	64 1/2	2	64 1/2	72				
J J	40	42	70 1/8	70 1/8	1	70 1/8	75	J D	85	90	92	Oct '19							
J J	70 1/8		61 1/4	Apr '11				J D	85	90	99 1/4	Oct '06							
J J		37 1/2	34	July '17	2	58	67	M S	60 1/8	64	63 1/2	June '20		63	73 7/8				
J J	63	64 1/4	63	63	7	48	52	M S	65		65	Jan '20		67	67				
J J	49 3/8	55	49 3/8	49 3/8	7	48	52	M S	59 1/4	62	59 1/8	59 1/8	10	59 1/8	68				
J J	50	78	82	Dec '16				M S	63	Sale	61 1/2	63	2	60	69 1/2				
J J			25 1/2	July '16				M S			95	Jan '11							
J J		70	70	70	4	69 1/2	80	M S			92	Aug '19							
M N			93 1/8	June '20		92 7/8	92 7/8	M S			90	86	Dec '19						
J J	91 1/8		86	June '20		86	90 1/8	M S			92	90 1/8	June '19						
J J	78 1/8	87	86	June '20				M S			90	86	Dec '19						
J J			105 1/2	Mar '08				M S			92	90 1/8	June '19						
J J	73	77	83	June '19				M S			92	90 1/8	June '19						
J J	78	85	86	May '20		84	86	M S			92	90 1/8	June '19						
J J	95 1/4	97 1/4	93 1/2	June '20		93 1/2	98	M S			92	90 1/8	June '19						
J J			80	Jan '20		80	80	M S			92	90 1/8	June '19						
J J			92	Jan '20		92	92	M S			92	90 1/8	June '19						
J J			93	June '20		93	96	M S			92	90 1/8	June '19						
J J			94 3/4	Nov '15				M S			92	90 1/8	June '19						
J J	93 1/8	100	98 1/2	Aug '19				M S			92	90 1/8	June '19						
J J	48 1/2	Sale	48	49	30	47	56	M S			92	90 1/8	June '19						
J J			84	Dec '16				M S			92	90 1/8	June '19						
J J	39	39 3/8	39	39 3/4	40	38	47	M S			92	90 1/8	June '19						
J J			73	June '16				M S			92	90 1/8	June '19						
J J	63 1/2	68 7/8	74 5/8	Apr '20		73 1/4	79 3/4	M S			92	90 1/8	June '19						
J J	34 1/2	Sale	34	34 3/8	38	30 1/8	41 3/4	M S			92	90 1/8	June '19						
J J	34 1/2	34 3/4	34	37 1/4	18	30	41	M S			92	90 1/8	June '19						
J J	37 1/8	Sale	36	37 3/4	62	34	44	M S			92	90 1/8	June '19						
J J	72	73 3/4	71 3/8	July '20		66 1/2	83	M S			92	90 1/8	June '19						
J J	74 5/8	83	106 7/8	Jan '17				M S			92	90 1/8	June '19						
J J			88 3/4	Mar '20		88 3/4	90	M S			92	90 1/8	June '19						
J J			79	June '20		79	79	M S			92	90 1/8	June '19						
J J			103 1/2	Sept '19				M S			92	90 1/8	June '19						
J J	92		103	Jan '18				M S			92	90 1/8	June '19						
J J	75	81	91	Feb '20		91	91	M S			92	90 1/8	June '19						
J J			85	Jan '18				M S			92	90 1/8	June '19						
J J	49	50	52	June '20		40	52	M S			92	90 1/8	June '19						
J J	26		100 1/4	Dec '06				M S			92	90 1/8	June '19						
J J			39 1/8	May '20		39 1/8	39 1/8	M S			92	90 1/8	June '19						
J J			88	Dec '18				M S			92	90 1/8	June '19						
J J	72		72	Nov '19				M S			92	90 1/8	June '19						
J J	51	59	48	June '20		48	55	M S			92	90 1/8	June '19						
J J			23 1/2	Jan '17				M S			92	90 1/8	June '19						
J J	86 3/8	90	90	90	1	81 1/4	92	M S			92	90 1/8	June '19						
J J			68	Dec '15				M S			92	90 1/8	June '19						
J J			108	Nov '11				M S			92	90 1/8	June '19						
J J	74 1/4	Sale	74 1/4	74 1/4	1	74 1/4	80	M S			92	90 1/8	June '19						
J J			92	Aug '10				M S			92	90 1/8	June '19						
J J	56		56	Feb '20		56	66 1/8	M S			92	90 1/8	June '19						
J J	64		76	Dec '19				M S			92	90 1/8	June '19						
J J	93 7/8	Sale	93 1/2	94 1/8	380	92 1/2	96	M S			92	90 1/8	June '19						
J J			93 3/4	93 3/4	1	89	95 1/4	M S			92	90 1/8	June '19						
J J			73 3/4	73	6	70	85 1/2	M S			92	90 1/8	June '19						
J J	80		84	June '20		83	88 1/2	M S			92	90 1/8	June '19						
J J	99	102	98	July '20		96 1/2	105 3/8	M S			92	90 1/8	June '19						
J J			118	Apr '17				M S			92	90 1/8	June '19						
J J	84	90 3/8	84	July '20		83 1/4	92	M S			92	90 1/8	June '19						
J J			102 1/2	May '16				M S			92	90 1/8	June '19						
J J	78 1/4	79	77 3/4	78 1/4	19	76 1/8	83 1/4	M S			92	90 1/8	June '19						
J J			80	Sept '19				M S			92	90 1/8	June '19						
J J			83	Mar '20		82	83	M S			92	90 1/8	June '19						
J J			78	78	1	78	78	M S			92	90 1/8	June '19						
J J	94 1/2		97	Feb '20		97	99	M S			92	90 1/8	June '19						
J J	98 3/8	Sale	98 3/8	99	6	96 1/4	106 1/2	M S			92	90 1/8	June '19						
J J			136 1/4	May '06				M S			92	90 1/8	June '19						
J J	85 1/2	88 3/4	88	July '20		87 7/8	94	M S			92	90 1/8	June '19						
J J	84 3/8	87 1/2	91 1/8	Apr '20		91 1/8	91 1/8	M S			92	90 1/8	June '19						
J J	53 1/8		55 1/2	Mar '20		55	55 1/2	M S			92	90 1/8	June '19						
J J			8	8	4	7	10 1/2	M S			92	90 1/8	June '19						
J J	58 3/8	65 1/2	61	61	11	58 1/2	65	M S			92	90 1/8	June '19						
J J	64	Sale	64	64	7	59 3/4	75	M S			92	90 1/8	June '19						
J J			73 1/2	June '18				M S			92	90 1/8	June '19						
J J			73 1/2	Oct '18				M S			92	90 1/8	June '19						
J J	65		76 1/4	Apr '19				M S			92	90 1/8	June '19						
J J	64 1/8		78	Mar '20		78	78	M S			92	90 1/8	June '19						
J J	75	95	80	May '20		79 1/8	83 1/8	M S			92	90 1/8	June '19						
J J	81 1/8		92	Sept '17				M S			92	90 1/8	June '19						
J J			64 3/8	64 3/8	3	64	72	M S			92	90 1/8	June '19						
J J			84	Nov '15				M S			92	90 1/8	June '19						
J J	64		62																

BONDS		Price		Week's		Range		BONDS		Price		Week's		Range		
N. Y. STOCK EXCHANGE		Friday		Range or		Since		N. Y. STOCK EXCHANGE		Friday		Range or		Since		
Week ending July 16		July 16		Last Sale		Jan. 1.		Week ending July 16		July 16		Last Sale		Jan. 1.		
Interest	Period	Bid	Ask	Low	High	Low	High	Interest	Period	Bid	Ask	Low	High	Low	High	
N	Y	Cent & H R RR (Con)—						F	A	P. C. C. & St. L (Con)—						
N	Y	& Harlem 3 3/4s—2000	64	64	64	May '20	64	64	A	D	Series E 3 1/2s guar gold—1949	73 3/8	72 1/2	May '20	72 1/2	84
N	Y	& Northern 1st g 5s—1923	88 1/2	92 3/8	92 3/8	Jan '20	92 3/8	92 3/8	M	J	Series F guar 4s gold—1953	72 3/4	82 1/2	Apr '20	82 1/2	82 1/2
N	Y	& Pu 1st cons gu g 4s—1933	61 1/8	78 1/4	78 1/4	Apr '19	78 1/4	78 1/4	J	M	Series G 4s guar—1957	72 3/4	73 3/8	June '20	73 3/8	73 3/8
N	Y	Pine Creek reg guar 6s—1932	88	113	113	May '15	113	113	F	A	Series I cons gu 4 1/2s—1963	75 3/8	87 1/2	June '20	76	88 3/8
N	Y	R W & O cen 1st ext 5s—1922	96	96 1/2	95	May '20	95	97 1/2	F	A	O St L & P 1st cons g 5s—1932	97	97	May '20	97	99
N	Y	Utica & Bk Riv gu g 4 1/2s—1941	80	77	77	Oct '19	77	77	A	Q	Peoria & Pekin Un 1st 6s g—1921	100	100	June '17	100	100
N	Y	Og & L Cham 1st gu 4 1/2s—1948	78	52	52	May '20	52	52	M	N	2d gold 4 1/2s—1921	80	87	Mar '16	87	87 1/2
N	Y	But-Canada 1st gu g 4s—1949	60	60	60	Feb '20	60	60	J	J	Pere Marquette 1st Ser A 5s—1956	77	76 3/4	77 3/8	14	75 7/8
N	Y	Law & Adlr 1st g 5s—1996	76	101	101	Nov '16	101	101	J	J	1st Series B 4s—1956	58	58	58	4	58
N	Y	2d gold 6s—1996	76	103	103	Nov '16	103	103	J	J	Philippine Ry 1st 30-yr s f 4s—1937	40 3/8	44 3/4	42	Apr '20	40
N	Y	Utica & Bk Riv gu g 4s—1922	90 1/2	93 1/8	93 1/8	Jan '20	93 1/8	93 1/8	A	O	Pitts Sh & L E 1st g 5s—1940	80	90	93 1/8	Apr '20	93 1/8
N	Y	Lake Shore gold 3 1/2s—1997	66	67	65	65 1/8	65	70	J	J	1st consol gold 5s—1943	80 1/2	97 1/4	Dec '17	97 1/4	61
N	Y	Registered—1997	65	69	69	Jan '20	69	69	J	J	Reading Co gen gold 4s—1997	77	76 3/8	77 1/4	61	71
N	Y	Debtenture gold 4s—1928	80 1/2	81 1/8	79 1/2	80	11	87 1/2	J	O	Registered—1997	74 3/8	79	75 1/2	May '20	77
N	Y	25-year gold 4s—1931	77 1/2	84 1/2	77 1/2	77 1/2	25	84 1/2	A	O	Jersey Central coll g 4s—1951	82	83 3/8	85 1/2	June '20	72
N	Y	Registered—1931	77 1/2	84 1/2	84 1/2	Nov '19	3	84 1/2	J	J	Atlantic City guar 4s g—1951	55 1/2	60	July '20	55	60
N	Y	Ka A & G R 1st gu g 5s—1938	78	103	103	May '20	103	103	J	J	St Jos & Grand 1st 1st g 4s—1947	54 1/4	54	54 3/8	299	52
N	Y	Mahon C I RR 1st 6s—1934	78	130 1/8	130 1/8	Jan '09	130 1/8	130 1/8	J	J	St Louis & San Fran (reorg Co)—	66 3/8	66 3/8	67 1/2	74	62 1/2
N	Y	Pitts & L Erie 2d g 5s—1928	97 1/4	95 1/4	95 1/4	June '20	95 1/4	95 1/4	J	J	Prior 1st Ser A 4s—1950	83	82 1/2	83 1/2	29	81
N	Y	Pitts MoK & Y 1st gu 6s—1932	93 1/4	99	99 1/2	Aug '17	99 1/2	99 1/2	A	O	Prior 1st Ser B 5s—1950	61	61	61 3/8	172	56 1/2
N	Y	2d guaranteed 6s—1934	82 1/8	98 1/2	98 1/2	Nov '18	98 1/2	98 1/2	J	J	Om adjut Ser A 6s—1955	47 1/2	47 1/2	48	520	39 3/8
N	Y	Mohican Central 5s—1931	64	82	82	Nov '19	82	82	J	J	Income Series A 6s—1960	92 1/8	95	94 3/8	June '20	94 3/8
N	Y	Registered—1931	64	82	82	Nov '19	82	82	J	J	St Louis & San Fran gen 6s—1931	84 7/8	87 3/4	85	85	1
N	Y	2d guaranteed 6s—1934	64	82	82	Nov '19	82	82	J	J	General gold 5s—1931	66 1/2	78	May '16	78	78
N	Y	Registered—1934	64	82	82	Nov '19	82	82	A	O	St L & S F RR cons g 4s—1996	66	90	May '17	90	90
N	Y	J L & S 1st gold 3 1/2s—1951	64 1/8	66 1/2	63 3/8	June '20	63 3/8	70 1/2	M	N	South Div 1st g 5s—1947	92 3/4	94	93 1/8	June '20	93 1/8
N	Y	1st gold 3 1/2s—1952	73 3/8	74	74	74	72	81	A	O	K C Ft S & M cons g 6s—1928	61	61	61	21	56 3/8
N	Y	20-year debenture 4s—1929	69 3/4	69 3/4	69 3/4	69 3/4	69 3/4	81 3/4	A	O	K C Ft S & M Ry ref g 4s—1938	60	60	60	60	86
N	Y	Y Chi & St L 1st g 4s—1937	64	65 3/8	65	65	65	75	A	O	K C & M R & B 1st gu 6s—1929	60 1/2	63 3/8	63 1/4	63 1/4	2
N	Y	Registered—1937	64	65 3/8	65	65	65	75	M	N	St L S W 1st g 4s bond cts—1989	45	54	45	July '20	39 3/4
N	Y	Debtenture 4s—1931	68 1/8	69 3/4	69	70	26	71 3/8	J	J	2d g 4s income bond cts—1989	52	53 3/4	52	53	9
N	Y	West Shore 1st 4s guar—2301	66	69	65	July '20	64	71 3/8	J	J	Consol gold 4s—1932	52	53	52 1/4	54 1/2	40
N	Y	Registered—2361	66	69	65	July '20	64	71 3/8	J	J	1st terminal & unifying 6s—1952	52	53	52 1/4	54 1/2	40
N	Y	Y C Lines eq tr 5s—1920-22	94 1/2	99 1/4	97 1/2	June '20	97 1/2	97 1/2	J	J	Gray's Pt Ter 1st gu g 6s—1947	59	60	59 1/2	61	24
N	Y	Equip trust 4 1/2s—1920-1925	70	70 1/2	70	June '20	70	79	J	J	Sea board Air Line g 4s—1950	54	59 3/8	59	59	1
N	Y	Y Connect 1st gu 4 1/2s A—1953	45	45	45	June '20	45	51	A	O	Gold 4s stamped—1950	33 3/4	34	34 1/4	176	30
N	Y	N H & Hartford—	39 1/2	45 1/8	45 1/8	Feb '20	45 1/8	45 1/8	F	A	Adjustment 5s—1949	40	40	40 1/2	16	38
N	Y	Non-conv debent 3 1/2s—1947	39	41	41	Apr '20	41	48 1/2	A	O	Refunding 4s—1959	52	54	June '20	54	64 1/8
N	Y	Non-conv debent 3 1/2s—1954	45	48	45 1/2	June '20	45 1/2	55	M	S	Atl Birm 30-yr 1st g 4s—1933	72 3/4	64	May '20	64	64
N	Y	Non-conv debent 4s—1955	46	46	46	46	46	55	J	J	Caro Cent 1st con g 4s—1949	104	101	Dec '15	101	80
N	Y	Non-conv debent 4s—1956	40	45	41 1/2	41 1/2	40	50	J	J	Fia Cent & Pen 1st ext 6s—1923	72 1/2	81	Mar '20	81	81 1/4
N	Y	Conv debenture 3 1/2s—1956	69	69	68 1/2	70	40	76 1/2	J	J	1st land grant ext g 5s—1930	95	93	July '19	93	85 3/8
N	Y	Conv debenture 6s—1948	50	50	50	Oct '17	50	58	J	J	Consol gold 5s—1943	81	81	81	81	88 3/4
N	Y	Cons Ry non-conv 6s—1930	91 1/2	91 1/2	91 1/2	Jan '12	91 1/2	91 1/2	J	J	Ga & Ala Ry 1st con 5s—1945	81	86 3/8	Mar '20	86 3/8	88 3/4
N	Y	Non-conv debent 4s—1954	60	60	60	July '18	60	60	J	J	Ga Car & No 1st gu g 5s—1920	96 1/4	96 1/4	May '19	96 1/4	96 1/4
N	Y	Non-conv debent 4s—1955	49	49	49	Oct '19	49	49	J	J	Seaboard & Roan 1st 5s—1926	65 1/8	66	64	64 3/8	55
N	Y	Non-conv debent 4s—1956	62 3/8	68	68	Nov '19	68	68	J	J	Southern Pacific Co—	75 1/2	74 1/4	76	145	73 1/2
N	Y	Harlem R-Pt Ches 1st 4s—1954	49	49	49	49	49	58	M	S	Registered—1949	95 3/8	95 3/8	97 1/2	303	94
N	Y	B & N Y Air Line 1st 4s—1951	49	49	49	49	49	58	J	J	20-year conv 6s—1934	69	70 3/8	70 3/8	58	65 1/8
N	Y	Cent New Eng 1st gu 4s—1961	106 1/2	106 1/2	106 1/2	May '15	106 1/2	106 1/2	F	A	Cent Pac 1st reg gu g 4s—1949	67	87 1/2	Sept '16	87 1/2	5
N	Y	Hartford St Ry 1st 4s—1930	87	87	87	July '14	87	87	J	J	Registered—1949	75 3/4	76 1/2	75 3/4	76 1/2	5
N	Y	Hausatonic R cons g 5s—1937	69 3/8	83	83	Aug '13	83	83	J	J	Mort guar gold 3 1/2s—1929	63 3/8	65	63 3/4	63 3/4	10
N	Y	Fausatuck RR 1st 4s—1954	40	40	40	40 1/2	40	44	J	O	Through St L 1st g 4s—1954	77	100	Oct '18	100	87
N	Y	N Y Prov & Boston 4s—1942	29	38	40	Mar '20	32	40	J	J	G H & S A M & P 1st 5s—1931	85	95	95	Nov '18	81 1/2
N	Y	R Y W Ches & B 1st ser I 4 1/2s—1946	75	93 3/8	93 3/8	Dec '13	93 3/8	93 3/8	M	N	2d exten 5s guar—1931	81	82 1/2	100	Oct '16	84 3/8
N	Y	Boston Terminal 1st 4s—1939	67 3/8	83 3/8	83 3/8	Feb '14	83 3/8	83 3/8	M	N	Gha V G & N 1st gu g 5s—1924	81 3/8	89	84 3/8	May '20	84 3/8
N	Y	New England cons 5s—1945	74 1/2	74	74 1/2	Dec '19	74 1/2	74 1/2	M	N	Hous E & W T 1st g 5s—1933	90 1/8	95	94	June '20	93
N	Y	Consol 4s—1945	56 1/4	56 1/4	56 1/4	56 1/4	56 1/4	61 1/8	J	J	1st guar 6s red—1933	75	85	Mar '19	85	87
N	Y	Providence Secur deb 4s—1957	56	58	60	Apr '20	60	60	J	J	H & T C 1st g 5s int gu—1937	75	85	Mar '20	85	87
N	Y	Prov & Springfield 1st 6s—1922	54	54 1/8	54 1/8	July '20	54 1/8	56 1/4	J	J	Gen gold 4s int guar—1921	95	94	June '20	94	93
N	Y	Providence Term 1st 4s—1958	71 1/4	77 3/8	77 3/8	Apr '20	77 3/8	77 3/8	M	N	Waco & N W div 1st g 6s—1930	100 1/4	100 1/4	Oct '17	100 1/4	91 1/8
N	Y	W & Con East 1st 4 1/2s—1943	100	100	100	100	100	104 3/8	A	O	Louisiana West 1st 6s—1921	84 1/8	87	86 3/8	86 1/2	3
N	Y	N Y O & W ref 1st g 4s—1992	98	100	100	100	100	104 3/8	J	J	Ore & Cal 1st guar g 5s—1927	88 1/8	96	96	Apr '20	96
N	Y	Registered \$5,000 only—1992	98	100	100	100	100	104 3/8	M	N	So Pac of Cal—Gu g 5s—1937	81	92 1/2	June '19	92 1/2	60
N	Y	General 4s—1956	71 3/8	71 3/8	71	71 3/8	71	80	J	J	So Pac Coast 1st gu 4s g—1937	63	64 1			

BONDS N Y STOCK EXCHANGE Week ending July 16. Table with columns: Interest Period, Price Friday July 16, Week's Range or Last Sale, Bonds Sold, Range Since Jan. 1.

Street Railway. Table with columns: Interest Period, Price Friday July 16, Week's Range or Last Sale, Bonds Sold, Range Since Jan. 1.

Gas and Electric Light. Table with columns: Interest Period, Price Friday July 16, Week's Range or Last Sale, Bonds Sold, Range Since Jan. 1.

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Manufacturing & Industrial. Table with columns: Interest Period, Price Friday July 16, Week's Range or Last Sale, Bonds Sold, Range Since Jan. 1.

Coal, Iron & Steel. Table with columns: Interest Period, Price Friday July 16, Week's Range or Last Sale, Bonds Sold, Range Since Jan. 1.

* No price Friday; latest bid and asked. a Due Jan. b Due April. c Due May. d Due June. e Due July. f Due Aug. g Due Oct. h Due Nov. i Due Dec. j Option sale.

SHARE PRICES—NOT PER CENTUM PRICES.						Sales for the Week. Shares	STOCKS BOSTON STOCK EXCHANGE		Range Since Jan. 1.		Range for Previous Year 1919.	
Saturday July 10	Monday July 12	Tuesday July 13	Wednesday July 14	Thursday July 15	Friday July 16		Lowest.	Highest.	Lowest.	Highest.		
124 124	123 124	123 124	124 124	124 124	124 125	48	Boston & Albany.....100	119 Feb 17	132 Mar 16	116 Dec	145 Apr	
63 63	*62 62	62 62	61 62	61 62	61 61	320	Boston Elevated.....100	60 May 25	67 1/2 Jan 2	62 Dec	80 1/4 Apr	
*84 86	*84 87	*84 87	*84 87	*84 87	*84 87	---	Do pre.....100	80 Feb 18	87 1/2 Jan 2	85 Dec	97 Jan	
34 34	33 33 1/2	*32 3 1/2	33 33	33 33	32 32 1/2	125	Boston & Maine.....100	30 Feb 11	38 May 21	28 Jan	38 1/2 July	
*40	*40	*40	40 40	40 40	40 45	10	Do pref.....100	39 Jan 6	46 May 28	40 Oct	60 Jan	
*130 135	*130 137	*135	*135	*135	135 July '20	---	Boston & Providence.....100	134 Jan 28	143 Mar 15	130 Sept	168 Jan	
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---	*3 3/4 6	*3 3/4 6	*3 3/4 6	*3 3/4 6	5 June '20	---	Do pref.....no par	4 1/2 June 4	7 Mar 8	3 1/2 Nov	11 Jan	
*6 9	*6 9	*6 9	*6 9	*6 9	8 June '20	---	Boat & Wore Elec pre no par	8 Jan 23	11 Mar 5	2 1/8 Nov	30 Feb	
---	132	132	132	132	130 June '20	---	Chic June Ry & U S Y.....100	130 Jan 30	132 Jan 8	132 Oct	135 Jan	
*74 76	*74 76	*74 76	*74 75	74 74	*75	5	Do pref.....100	74 June 7	86 Jan 2	84 Feb	90 June	
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*60 62	62 62	*60 62	60 62	60 62	60 60	70	Maine Central.....100	60 Jan 3	70 Mar 5	69 7/8 Dec	83 Jan	
30 30 1/2	30 30 1/2	30 30 1/2	30 30 1/2	30 30 1/2	29 1/2 30	1,136	N Y N H & Hartford.....100	23 1/2 Feb 11	36 3/8 Mar 10	25 1/4 Dec	40 1/2 July	
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74 74	74 74	74 74	73 73	74 74	74 74	104	Old Colony.....100	73 July 8	80 Apr 1	71 Dec	105 Jan	
*20 22	22 22	21 21	*20 21	*20 21	20 20	100	Rutland pref.....100	15 Jan 20	25 1/2 Mar 11	15 Dec	23 May	
*71 86	*71 80	*70 80	*71 80	71 80	75 June '20	---	Vermont & Massachusetts.....100	70 June 15	87 Jan 31	82 Oct	100 Jan	
39 39 1/2	39 39 1/2	38 3/4 39	38 3/4 39	39 39 1/2	39 39	415	West End Street.....60	38 May 17	45 1/4 Jan 3	38 1/2 Sept	50 Apr	
50 50	49 49	49 49	48 49	49 49	49 49	160	Do pref.....60	48 July 7	65 1/2 Jan 6	47 Sept	58 June	
*5 5 1/2	*5 5 1/2	*5 5 1/2	*5 5 1/2	5 5	*4 1/2 5 1/2	80	Amer Oil Engineering.....10	4 1/4 May 24	7 1/4 Mar 15	5 Dec	7 1/4 Nov	
*11 12	*11 12	*11 12	*11 12	13 13 1/4	13 13 1/4	200	Amer Pneumatic Service.....25	1 Feb 24	2 June 7	56c Jan	2 Aug	
*7 8	*7 1/4 8	*7 1/4 8	*7 1/4 8	7 8	7 July '20	---	Do pref.....50	5 Feb 10	8 1/4 June 24	2 1/2 Apr	9 1/4 Aug	
93 1/2 94	93 94	93 94	93 93 1/2	93 93 1/2	93 1/2 93 3/8	1,965	Amer Teleg & Teleg.....100	80 Apr 30	100 3/8 Mar 18	95 Dec	108 1/2 May	
78 1/4 78 1/4	78 1/2 78 1/2	80 80	79 79	78 1/2 79	75 78 1/2	43	Amoskeag Mfg.....no par	75 July 16	167 Apr 20	79 Feb	152 Nov	
*71	*71	*71 1/2	*71	71 3/4	71 3/4 July '20	---	Do pref.....no par	71 3/4 July 2	83 Jan 13	78 1/2 Jan	84 1/2 Dec	
*5 7 3/4	*5 7 3/4	*5 7 3/4	*5 7 3/4	5 5 1/2	6 6	150	Anglo-Am Comm'l Corp. no par	5 July 2	19 Jan 5	16 Dec	21 1/2 Nov	
*15 17	*15 17	*15 17	16 16	15 1/2 15 3/4	15 1/2 17	82	Art Metal Construc Inc.....10	215 June 21	38 Apr 20	17 1/2 Jan	26 1/2 Dec	
30 30	29 1/2 29 1/2	30 30	29 3/4 30	28 3/4 30	28 28 1/2	570	Atlas Tack Corporation no par	28 June 14	35 1/4 Apr 17	---	---	
*8 8 1/2	*8 8 1/2	*8 8 1/2	8 1/4 8 1/4	8 1/4 8 1/4	*8 8 1/2	375	Beacon Chocolate.....10	8 June 29	10 Apr 23	---	---	
10 1/2 11	11 11 1/4	10 1/2 11	10 1/2 11	10 1/2 11	10 1/2 10 1/2	6,485	Bigheart Prod & Refg.....10	6 Feb 11	12 7/8 Apr 14	7 Dec	13 1/2 May	
2 1/4 2 1/4	2 1/4 2 1/4	2 2 1/2	2 1/4 2 1/4	2 1/4 2 1/4	2 1/4 2 1/4	460	Boston Mex Pet Trustee no par	1 7/8 Apr 13	3 3/8 Jan 3	2 1/2 Dec	4 7/8 Nov	
*2 2 1/4	*2 2 1/4	*2 2 1/4	2 1/8 2 1/8	2 1/8 2 1/8	2 1/8 2 1/8	3,907	Century Steel of Amer Inc.....10	1 7/8 June 18	7 Jan 5	6 Dec	16 1/2 Mar	
*13 1/4 13 1/2	13 1/4 13 1/4	13 1/4 13 1/4	13 13 3/8	*13 13 1/2	13 13 1/4	895	Connor (John T).....10	12 1/2 Apr 23	14 1/2 May 28	---	---	
*5 5 1/2	*5 5 1/2	*5 5 1/2	*5 5 1/2	5 5 1/2	*5 5 1/2	20	East Boston Land.....10	3 3/4 Feb 14	6 1/2 Mar 23	4 1/2 Jan	6 7/8 June	
34 1/8 34 1/8	33 3/4 34	33 1/2 34	*33 1/2 34	*33 1/4 34	33 3/4 33	700	Eastern Manufacturing.....5	27 3/4 Feb 13	36 1/2 Jan 3	31 1/8 Dec	34 Nov	
20 1/2 20 1/2	*20 22	*20 21	20 20	20 20	19 19 1/4	105	Eastern SS Lines Inc.....25	19 Feb 11	28 3/8 May 7	6 Jan	24 Dec	
*67 1/2 75	*67 1/2 75	*67 1/2 75	*67 1/2 75	74 May '20	74 May '20	90	Do pref.....100	63 Feb 11	88 Apr 8	39 Apr	79 Dec	
*148 149	148 148 3/4	148 148	146 147	*143 146	145 146	445	Edison Electric Illum.....100	140 May 15	157 Feb 20	138 Oct	172 Jan	
*29 1/2 30	29 1/2 29 1/2	29 29	29 29	29 29	28 3/4 28 3/4	---	Elder Corporation.....no par	28 Feb 13	36 1/2 Jan 2	23 1/2 Oct	35 1/2 Nov	
*10 15	*10 15	*10 15	*10 15	15 June '20	15 June '20	---	Gorton-Pew Fisheries.....50	15 June 12	26 June 3	28 Apr	38 May	
*39 1/4 39 1/2	39 1/4 39 1/4	*39 1/4 40	39 1/2 39 1/2	39 1/4 39 1/4	39 39	201	Greenfield Tap & Die.....25	39 July 16	60 May 25	---	---	
24 24 1/4	24 1/4 25	24 3/4 24 7/8	24 24 3/8	*25 1/4 27	25 1/2 25 1/2	554	Internat Cement Corp. no par	16 Apr 14	27 June 10	---	---	
18 18 1/2	*17 18 1/2	18 18	17 18 1/2	18 18	*17 1/2 18	602	Internat Products.....no par	14 3/4 June 19	45 Jan 2	19 Mar	58 1/2 Oct	
46 3/8 47 3/4	43 45	43 44	43 44	44 44	45 45	1,342	Do pref.....100	4 3/4 July 12	80 1/2 Feb 7	75 July	90 Sept	
7 7 1/4	6 7/8 7	7 7	6 7/8 7	*6 7/8 7	6 3/4 6 3/4	1,365	Island Oil & Trans Corp.....10	4 3/4 Mar 4	8 1/8 Apr 8	5 1/4 Dec	9 3/8 Feb	
12 1/2 13	12 3/4 13	12 1/2 12 7/8	12 1/4 12 5/8	*13 13 1/2	12 1/4 12 5/8	611	Libby, McNeill & Libby.....10	12 June 29	31 7/8 Apr 8	28 3/4 Nov	35 Oct	
*10 10 1/4	10 1/2 10 1/2	*10 10 1/4	10 1/2 10 1/2	*9 3/4 9 5/8	*9 3/4 9 5/8	15	Loew's Theatres.....10	9 1/2 Apr 30	11 Jan 6	8 3/4 Nov	11 Jan	
95 95	*94 95	*94 95	*94 95	*93 1/2 94	*93 1/2 94	179	McElwain (W H) 1st pref.....100	94 June 16	101 1/2 Jan 10	90 Jan	99 Mar	
81 1/2 82	82 82 1/2	82 1/2 83	83 83	82 1/2 83 1/4	*82 83 1/4	796	Massachusetts Gas Co.....100	68 3/4 Feb 6	83 1/4 July 15	67 1/4 Nov	88 Jan	
*59 61	59 59	59 60	59 60	59 1/2 60	59 1/2 59 1/2	315	Do pref.....100	57 June 8	63 Jan 20	60 Dec	71 Jan	
*124 125	*124 127	*125 127	127 128	125 127	*125 127 1/2	179	Mergenthaler Linotype.....100	123 July 1	138 1/2 Jan 21	130 Feb	149 June	
36 36 1/4	36 36	36 3/8 37	35 36	35 35 1/2	*34 1/2 37	42	Mexican Investment Inc.....10	33 June 16	53 Jan 26	47 1/2 Nov	72 July	
85 85	85 85	84 85	84 85	85 85	85 85	253	New England Telephone.....100	82 3/8 May 8	89 1/2 Jan 3	83 Sept	96 Mar	
*26 3/4 27 1/2	*26 1/2 27 1/2	*26 1/4 27 1/2	*26 1/4 27 1/2	27 1/2 28	28 1/4 28 1/4	450	Ohio Body & Blower.....no par	24 May 20	36 3/8 Jan 3	---	---	
*27 3/4 28	27 3/4 27 3/8	27 3/4 27 3/8	27 3/4 27 3/8	160 160	162 162	183	Orpheum Circuit Inc.....1	27 1/2 July 14	34 1/8 Mar 30	---	---	
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*12 14 1/2	*14 15	*14 14 1/2	*14 15	14 1/2 14 1/2	*14 1/2 14 1/2	5	Reece Button-Hole.....10	14 1/4 May 4	16 Jan 2	14 Jan	16 Mar	
38 38	37 37	36 1/2 36 1/2	37 1/4 37 1/4	*36 38	*36 38	320	Root & Vervoort CIA no par	36 1/2 June 4	53 Jan 3	35 July	59 1/2 Oct	
*22 1/2 24 3/4	24 24 3/4	24 3/4 24 3/4	24 1/2 24 1/2	*23 1/2 24 3/4	23 1/2 23 1/2	255	Shawmut SS.....25	21 1/2 June 19	31 1/2 Jan 7	30 Dec	35 1/4 Dec	
20 1/2 21	20 20	19 19 1/2	19 19 1/2	19 19	17 1/2 18 1/2	1,140	Stimms Magneto.....5	13 Feb 13	25 1/2 Apr 6	15 1/2 Dec	27 1/4 Nov	
*42 1/2 43 1/2	*41 3/4 42 1/2	*40 1/2 41 1/2	*40 1/2 41 1/2	40 1/2 41 1/2	*40 1/2 41 1/2	105	Stewart Mfg Corp.....no par	38 May 24	49 3/4 Apr 8	32 1/8 Jan	59 1/4 Oct	
108 3/4 108 3/4	108 108 3/8	107 7/8 108 1/4	107 1/4 108	107 1/4 107 3/4	107 108 1/4	562	Swift & Co.....100	106 3/4 July 18	133 Jan 2	115 Jan	150 May	
65 1/2 65 1/2	*65 65 1/2	65 65	65 65 1/2	65 65	65 65	210	Torrington.....25	64 3/4 July 1	76 Mar 10	52 1/2 Jan	74 1/2 Nov	
*25 25 1/2	*25 25 1/2	*25 25 1/2	*25 25 1/2	25 25 1/2	*25 25 1/2	165	Union Twist Drill.....5	24 1/2 July 1	28 Apr 13	---	---	
42 1/2 43	42 1/2 42 3/4	41 1/2 42 1/4	41 1/2 42	42 42	42 42 1/4	1,558	United Shoe Mach Corp.....25	39 1/2 June 18	49 Jan 2	44 Jan	55 May	
24 24	*24 24 1/2	24 24	24 24 3/8	24 24 3/8	24 24 1/2	450	Do pref.....26	23 3/8 June 25	26 Feb 11	25 1/8 Oct	31 Jan	
17 17 1/8	16 1/4 16 3/4	16 1/2 17	16 1/2 17	15 3/4 16	15 3/4 16	2,166	Ventura Consol Oil Fields.....5	12 1/4 Feb 11	19 Mar 19	7 3/4 Jan	20 3/8 Nov	
20 3/4 21	20 3/4 21	*20 3/8 20 3/8	20 3/8 20 1/2	*20 1/2 20 1/2	20 1/2 20 5/8	1,730	Waldorf System Inc.....10	17 Feb 16	23 1/4 Apr 7	16 May	21 1/2 July	
*31 1/2 32	31 1/2 31 1/2	30 1/2 30 1/2	31 31	*30 1/4 31 1/4	*30 1/4 31 1/4	170	Waltham Watch.....100	30 June 18	44 1/2 Jan 26	28 Aug	43 Oct	
*15 1/2 19	*15 1/2 19	20 1/2 20 3/4	*18 1/2 19	19 19	19 19	---	Walworth Manufacturing.....20	18 1/2 May 21	26 Feb 3	17 Mar	25 July	
70 1/2 70 1/2	*65 70	*65 70	*60 64	*60 63	*60 63	95	Warren Bros.....100	61 Mar 2	79 June 18	16 Feb	83 July	
*66	*66	*66	*66	66 July '20	66 July '20	35	Do 1st pref.....100	59 May 5	66 Jan 21	37 Jan	72 1/2 May	
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*.80 .95	*.80 .95	*.80 .95	*.40 .80	75 June '								

Outside Stock Exchanges

Boston Bond Record.—Transactions in bonds at Boston Stock Exchange July 10 to July 16 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). Lists various bond types like U S Lib Loan, Am Agrie Chem, etc.

Chicago Stock Exchange.—Record of transactions at Chicago Stock Exchange July 10 to July 16, both inclusive, compiled from official sales lists:

Table with columns: Stocks, Friday Last Sale Price, Week's Range of Prices (Low, High), Sales for Week, Range since Jan. 1 (Low, High). Lists various stocks like Albert Piek & Co, American Radiator, etc.

Table with columns: Stocks, Friday Last Sale Price, Week's Range of Prices (Low, High), Sales for Week, Range since Jan. 1 (Low, High). Lists stocks like Armour & Co, Booth Fish S F D, etc.

*No par value.

Philadelphia Stock Exchange.—Record of transactions at Philadelphia Stock Exchange, July 10 to July 16, both inclusive, compiled from official sales lists:

Table with columns: Stocks, Friday Last Sale Price, Week's Range of Prices (Low, High), Sales for Week, Range since Jan. 1 (Low, High). Lists various stocks like Alliance Insurance, American Gas, etc.

Table with columns: Stocks (Concluded) Par., Friday Last Sale Price, Week's Range of Prices (Low, High), Sales for Week, Range since Jan. 1 (Low, High). Lists various stocks like Phila & Western, Reading, etc.

* Ex-rights.

Baltimore Stock Exchange.—Record of transactions at Baltimore Stock Exchange, July 10 to July 16, both inclusive, compiled from official sales lists:

Table with columns: Stocks, Friday Last Sale Price, Week's Range of Prices (Low, High), Sales for Week, Range since Jan. 1 (Low, High). Lists various stocks like Alabama Co, First preferred, etc.

z Ex-dividend.

Pittsburgh Stock Exchange.—Record of transactions at Pittsburgh Stock Exchange July 10 to July 16, both inclusive, compiled from official sales lists:

Table with columns: Stocks, Friday Last Sale Price, Week's Range of Prices (Low, High), Sales for Week, Range since Jan. 1 (Low, High). Lists various stocks like Amer Rolling Mill, Amer Vitrified Prod, etc.

New York "Curb" Market.—Below we give a record of the transactions in the outside security market from July 10 to July 16, 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 New York Stock Exchange, for instance, only members of the Exchange can engage in business, and they are permitted to deal only in securities regularly listed—that is, securities where the companies responsible for them have complied with certain stringent requirements before being admitted to dealings. Every precaution, too, is taken to insure that quotations coming over the "tape," or reported in the official list at the end of the day, are authentic.

On the "Curb," on the other hand, there are no restrictions whatever. 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. The possibility that fictitious transactions may creep in, or even that dealings in spurious securities may be included, should, hence, always be kept in mind, particularly as regards mining shares. In the circumstances, it is out of the question for any one to vouch for the absolute trustworthiness of this record of "Curb" transactions, and we give it for what it may be worth.

Table with columns: Week ending July 16., Stocks—, Par., Friday Last Sale Price., Week's Range of Prices. (Low, High), Sales for Week. (Shares), Range since Jan. 1. (Low, High). Includes sections for Industrial & Miscell., Former Standard Oil Subsidaries, and Other Oil Stocks.

Table with columns: Rights., Friday Last Sale Price., Week's Range of Prices. (Low, High), Sales for Week. (Shares), Range since Jan. 1. (Low, High). Includes sections for Former Standard Oil Subsidaries, Other Oil Stocks, and Mining Stocks.

Mining (Concluded) Par.	Friday Last Sale Price.	Week's Range of Prices.		Sales for Week. Shares.	Range since Jan. 1.	
		Low.	High.		Low.	High.
Silver King of Arizona	32c	32c	38c	6,000	30c	June 2 1/4 Apr
Silver King Divide	3c	3c	4c	8,200	2c	May 14c Jan
Silver Pick Cons'd	5 1/2c	5c	6c	13,900	2c	Jan 30c Mar
Simon Silver & Lead	1 1/2	1 1/2	1 3/4	2,100	1	July 1 9-16 June
Standard Silver-Lead	1 1/4	1 1/4	1 1/2	1,100	3-16	Jan 1/2 Jan
Success Mining	4c	4c	5c	7,700	3c	Jan 7c Jan
Sunburst Cons Mines	25c	24c	25c	1,600	14c	June 41c Apr
Sutherland Divide	1 1/2c	1c	2c	13,200	1/2c	June 7c Jan
Tonopah Belmont Dev	11-16	1 1/2	13-16	2,875	1 1/2	July 3 1/2 Jan
Tonopah Divide	1 3-16	1 1/2	1 1/2	12,450	1 1-16	June 4 1/2 Jan
Tonopah Extension	1 1/2	1 1/2	1 5/8	5,120	1 5-16	June 2 15-16 Jan
Tonopah Mining	1 1/2	1 1/2	1 1/2	2,190	1	July 3 1/2 Jan
United Eastern Mining	2 3/4	2 3/4	2 3/4	3,910	2 3/4	July 4 1/2 Jan
U S Continental Mines	7 1/2c	7c	7 1/2c	11,500	6c	May 11c Apr
Victory Divide	6c	5 1/2c	7c	13,900	5c	June 29c Jan
Washington Gold Quartz	1	3/8	1	3,100	1/4	May 1 1/2 Apr
West End Consol'd	1 5-16	1 1/4	1 1/2	7,550	1 1/4	June 2 7-16 Jan
White Caps Mining	10c	9c	11c	9,500	6 1/2c	June 20c Apr
Wilbert Mining	4c	4c	4 1/2c	10,500	4c	June 12c Mar

Bonds—	Friday Last Sale Price.	Week's Range of Prices.		Sales for Week. Shares.	Range since Jan. 1.	
		Low.	High.		Low.	High.
Allied Pack conv deb's r'39	70	70	70 1/2	570,000	68	May 89 1/2 Jan
Amer Tel & Tel 6s r. 1922	94 1/2	93 1/4	94 3/4	24,000	93	June 97 1/4 Jan
6% notes r. 1924	92 1/2	92 1/2	92 3/4	6,000	91 3/4	June 96 1/2 Jan
Anglo-Amer Oil 7 1/2s r. '25	99 1/2	99 1/2	99 3/4	55,000	99 1/2	June 100 1/2 Mar
Armour & Co 7% notes r'30	95 1/2	94 3/4	95 1/2	574,000	94 1/4	July 95 1/2 July
Ch & N WRR 7s w i r'30	99 1/2	99 1/2	100 1/4	56,000	99 1/4	June 100 1/4 July
C C & St L Ry 6s r 1929	86	86	86	5,000	82	Apr 8 1/2 Jan
French Govt 4s r.	57 1/2	60	60	92,000	55	June 62 June
Goodrich (BF) Co 7s 1925	94 1/2	94 1/2	94 3/4	31,000	93 1/2	Apr 99 Apr
Interboro R T 7s r. 1921	65 3/4	65 3/4	68 3/4	222,000	62	Feb 76 Jan
Kennecott Cop 7s r. 1930	92 1/2	93	93	10,000	90	May 98 1/2 Jan
Russian Govt 6 1/2s r. 1919	26	27	27	10,000	23 1/2	Jan 39 Feb
5 1/2s r. 1921	24	25	25	25,000	23	Jan 38 Feb
Sinclair Con Oil 7 1/2s r. '25	97 1/2	97 1/2	97 3/4	46,000	97 1/2	May 98 Apr
Swedish Govt 6s June 15 '39	83 1/2	83 1/2	84 1/2	50,000	82	May 97 Jan
Switzerland Govt 5 1/2s '29	83	84	84	27,000	82 1/2	July 93 Jan
Texas Co 7% notes r. 1923	98 1/2	97 3/4	98 1/2	147,000	97 1/2	June 99 1/2 May
Western Elec conv 7s r. '25	98 1/2	97 3/4	98 1/2	15,000	97 3/4	July 99 1/2 Apr

* Odd lots. † No par value. ‡ Listed as a prospect. † Listed on the Stock Exchange this week, where additional transactions will be found. o New stock. r Unlisted. w When Issued. x Ex-dividend. y Ex-rights. z Ex-stock dividend. † Dollars per 1,000 lire, flat. & Correction.

CURRENT NOTICES

—A booklet has just been issued by Chandler & Co., Inc., 35 Pine St., New York (Philadelphia and Boston), which contains some information particularly pertinent at the present time. The title of the work—edited by Ernest Fletcher Clymer—is a "Political Summary of the United States." It briefly reviews the early Government and the electoral system, the political parties and their origin, and all the Presidential elections from 1789 to 1916, giving the names of the various candidates and the number of votes received. It also gives concise biographies of the several Presidents from Washington to Wilson. "The number of people who will vote for a Presidential candidate this year," says an introductory note explaining the purpose of the booklet, "will greatly surpass all previous records, while the number who will require political information and figures for convenient reference will be equal at least to the majority of those who will cast the ballot."

New York City Banks and Trust Companies.

All prices dollars per share.			
Banks—N Y	Bid	Ask	Trust Co's New York
America	207	213	American
Amer Exch	265	275	Bankers Trust
Atlantic	200	215	Central Union
Battery Park	195	205	Columbia
Eowery	425	450	Commercial
Broadway Cen	145	155	Empire
Bronx Boro	105	125	Equitable Tr
Bronx Nat	160	160	Farm L & Tr
Bryant Park	145	155	Fidelity
Butch & Drov	38	42	Fulton
Cent Mero	220	220	Quaranty Tr
Chase	400	410	Hudson
Chat & Phen	270	278	Law Tit & Tr
Chelsea Exch	137	145	Lincoln Trust
Chemical	550	565	Mercantile Tr
City	370	380	Metropolitan
Coal & Iron	250	250	Mutual (Westchester)
Colonial	350	350	N Y Life Ins & Trust
Columbia	180	200	Union Exch
Commerce	220	226	United States
Comm'l Ex	425	425	Wash H's
Commonwealth	210	220	Yorkville
Continental	120	120	
Corn Exch	335	345	
Cosmopolitan	112	125	
Cuba (Bk of)	180	190	
East River	160	160	
Fifth Avenue	900	925	
Fifth	158	168	
First	890	910	
Garfield	238	245	
Gotham	195	210	
Greenwich	225	225	
Hanover	815	815	
Harriman	330	360	
Imp & Trad	530	545	

* Banks marked with a (*) are State banks. † Sale at auction or at Stock Exchange this week. ‡ New stock. § Ex-dividend. ¶ Ex-rights.

New York City Realty and Surety Companies.

All prices dollars per share.									
Company	Bid	Ask	Company	Bid	Ask	Company	Bid	Ask	Company
Alliance R'ty	80	90	Lawyers Mtge	115	120	Realty Assoc (Brooklyn)	105	110	
Amer Surety	70	74	Mtge Bond	80	87	U S Casualty	150	160	
Bond & M G	242	250	Nat Surety	194	198	U S Title Guar	90	---	
City Investing	60	70	N Y Title & Mortgage	127	134	West & Bronx Title & M G	150	170	
Preferred	75	85							

Quotations for Sundry Securities

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

Standard Oil Stocks	Per Share	RR. Equipments—Per Cent	Basis
Anglo-American Oil new	£1 *21	Baltimore & Ohio 4 1/2s	8.75 7.50
Atlantic Refining	100 1140	Buff Roch & Pittsburgh 4 1/2s	7.75 7.00
Preferred	100 103	Equipment 6s	7.75 7.00
Borne-Scrymser Co.	100 425	Canadian Pacific 4 1/2s & 6s	7.50 6.75
Buckeye Pipe Line Co.	50 *85	Caro Clinchfield & Ohio 5s	8.50 7.50
Chesebrough Mig new	100 220	Central of Georgia 4 1/2s	8.50 7.50
Preferred new	100 103	Cheapsake & Ohio	8.25 7.25
Continental Oil	100 120	Equipment 6s	8.25 7.25
Crescent Pipe Line Co.	50 *27	Chicago & Alton 6 1/2s	8.75 7.50
Cumberland Pipe Line	100 155	Equipment 5s	8.75 7.50
Eureka Pipe Line Co.	100 100	Chicago & Eastern Ill 5 1/2s	8.75 7.75
Galena-Signal Oil com	100 42	Ohio Ind & Louisv 4 1/2s	8.37 7.25
Preferred old	100 92	Ohio St Louis & N O 5s	8.00 7.12
Preferred new	100 90	Chicago & N W 4 1/2s	7.60 6.50
Illinois Pipe Line	100 153	Chicago R I & Pac 6 1/2s	8.50 7.25
Indiana Pipe Line Co.	50 *85	Equipment 5s	8.50 7.25
International Petroleum	£1 *33 1/2	Colorado & Southern 5s	8.75 7.50
National Transit Co.	12.50 *26	Erle 5s	8.75 7.50
New York Transit Co.	100 160	Equipment 4 1/2s	8.75 7.50
Northern Pipe Line Co.	100 92	Hoeking Valley 4 1/2s	8.50 7.25
Ohio Oil Co.	25 *280	Equipment 6s	8.50 7.25
Penn-Mex Fuel Co.	25 *42	Illinois Central 5s	7.62 6.62
Prairie Oil & Gas	100 565	Equipment 4 1/2s	7.62 6.62
Prairie Pipe Line	100 195	Kanawha & Michigan 6 1/2s	8.25 7.25
Solar Refining	100 350	Louisville & Nashville 5s	7.50 6.50
Southern Pipe Line Co.	100 125	Michigan Central 5s	7.62 6.75
South Penn Oil	100 270	Equipment 6s	7.62 6.75
Southwest Pa Pipe Lines	100 65	Min St P & S S M 4 1/2s	7.50 7.00
Standard Oil (California)	100 310	Equipment 5s & 7s	7.50 7.00
Standard Oil (Indiana)	100 650	Missouri Kansas & Texas 6s	8.75 7.75
Standard Oil (Kansas)	100 520	Missouri Pacific 5s	8.50 7.50
Standard Oil (Kentucky)	100 370	Mobile & Ohio 6s	8.30 7.25
Standard Oil (Nebraska)	100 420	Equipment 4 1/2s	8.30 7.25
Standard Oil of New Jer.	100 640	N Y Ontarlo & West 6 1/2s	7.50 6.75
Preferred	100 105 1/2	Norfolk & Western 4 1/2s	8.37 7.25
Standard Oil of New Y'k	100 370	Northern Pacific 7s	7.62 6.75
Standard Oil (Ohio)	100 435	Pacific Fruit Express 7s	7.20 6.75
Preferred	100 105	Pennsylvania Rlt & 4 1/2s	7.00 6.70
Swan & Finch	100 60	Reading Co 4 1/2s	7.50 6.50
Union Tank Car Co.	100 110	St Louis Iron Mt & Sou 5s	7.62 6.62
Preferred	100 96	St Louis & San Francisco 5s	8.75 7.50
Vacuum Oil	100 375	Seaboard Air Line 5s	8.40 7.37
Washington Oil	10 *27	Equipment 4 1/2s	8.40 7.37
		Southern Pacific Co 4 1/2s, 7s	7.50 6.75
		Southern Railway 4 1/2s	8.25 7.25
		Equipment 5s	8.25 7.25
		Tole lo & Ohio Central 4s	8.12 7.00
		Union Pacific 7s	7.00 6.50
		Virginian Ry 6s	7.50 7.00

* Per share. † Basis. ‡ Purchaser also pays accrued dividend. † New stock. ‡ Flat price. § 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.*

ROADS.	Latest Gross Earnings			Jan. 1 to Latest Date.		ROADS.	Latest Gross Earnings			Jan. 1 to Latest Date.	
	Week or Month.	Current Year.	Previous Year.	Current Year.	Previous Year.		Week or Month.	Current Year.	Previous Year.	Current Year.	Previous Year.
Alabama & Vicksb. May	\$ 271,884	\$ 212,349	\$ 1,314,963	\$ 1,054,581	Missouri Kan & Tex May	\$ 2,921,105	\$ 2,702,458	\$ 14,747,577	\$ 12,805,946		
Ann Arbor 4th wk June	127,747	106,592	2,256,557	1,931,130	Mo K & T Ry of Tex May	2,043,521	2,081,970	11,281,238	9,339,395		
Ach Topeka & S Fe May	1521,482	1382,749	83,170,103	61,737,465	Mo & North Ark May	141,023	109,489	755,630	590,676		
Gulf Colo & S Fe May	1,881,229	1,548,262	10,366,793	7,326,798	Missouri Pacific May	8,633,771	7,194,940	44,167,859	34,666,488		
Panhandle & S Fe May	678,472	438,965	3,267,215	1,994,600	Monongahela May	250,686	276,451	1,349,785	1,299,848		
Atlanta Birm & Atl May	457,744	443,054	2,317,616	2,002,199	Monongahela Conn. May	273,420	73,051	1,263,917	734,183		
Atlanta & West Pt. May	228,411	233,703	1,241,847	1,135,117	Montour May	108,656	123,947	401,206	445,599		
Atlantic City May	385,294	458,519	1,439,709	1,530,937	Nashv Chatt & St L May	2,072,974	1,584,851	9,790,722	7,601,028		
Atlantic Coast Line. May	5,739,371	4,994,377	31,417,020	27,955,311	Nevada-Cal-Oregon 4th wk June	8,480	8,881	131,928	134,394		
Baltimore & Ohio. May	18263118	14327444	82,201,815	61,526,634	Nevada Northern. May	163,437	139,561	768,424	674,797		
B & O Chic Term. April	88,272	120,878	735,136	472,125	Newburgh & Sou Sh May	119,868	151,348	635,161	704,796		
Bangor & Aroostook May	581,914	427,962	2,715,241	2,238,328	New Ori Great Nor. May	203,871	164,011	1,026,204	881,777		
Belt Ry of Chicago. May	252,540	307,712	1,539,270	1,268,807	New Ori & Nor East May	566,476	545,554	2,991,069	2,541,087		
Bessemer & L Erie. May	787,540	1,452,739	3,543,222	4,319,664	N O Texas & Mexico May	199,230	185,420	963,360	744,173		
Bingham & Garfield May	169,030	66,423	751,569	508,499	Beaum S L & W. May	185,449	87,398	835,908	523,469		
Birmingham South. May	59,389	38,771	236,173	266,090	St L Browns & M May	720,354	451,038	3,096,837	2,034,215		
Boston & Maine. May	6,819,856	5,605,073	30,801,768	25,925,472	New York Central. May	27066532	24005603	129150092	11,547,282		
Bklyn E D Terminal May	51,204	85,164	367,491	360,572	Ind Harbor Belt. May	587,866	496,169	2,957,316	2,467,285		
Buff Roch & Pittsb. 1st wk July	399,918	288,236	10,164,520	7,253,579	Lake Erie & West May	848,592	742,297	3,983,473	3,682,051		
Buffalo & Susq. May	224,414	161,443	1,131,736	828,251	Michigan Central May	6,199,722	6,166,489	31,377,211	28,687,754		
Canadian Nat Rys. 1st wk July	1,932,961	1,713,404	47,497,785	43,199,276	Cincinnati North. May	269,198	244,464	1,277,716	1,163,730		
Canadian Pacific. 1st wk July	3,773,000	3,120,000	93,803,000	77,967,000	Clov C C & St L. May	6,318,219	5,539,159	33,208,256	26,264,269		
Can Pac Lines in Me May	175,247	124,379	1,374,040	1,435,195	Pitts & Lake Erie May	754,893	1,934,664	10,946,097	11,480,252		
Caro Clinch & Ohio. April	609,225	446,073	2,187,447	1,796,087	Tol & Ohio Cent. May	854,062	817,142	4,050,901	3,123,757		
Central of Georgia. April	1,957,022	1,774,178	8,422,337	6,717,673	Kanawha & Mich May	470,300	449,835	1,840,464	1,546,540		
Central RR of N J. May	3,532,857	3,467,309	16,004,562	16,641,811	N Y Chic & St Louis May	1,850,564	1,962,284	10,060,193	10,037,944		
Cent New England. May	566,293	694,716	2,201,716	2,574,376	N Y N H & Hartf. May	10000392	8,507,620	44,919,039	38,570,274		
Central Vermont. May	638,460	476,832	2,566,715	2,122,136	N Y Ont & Western May	1,030,375	950,065	3,935,101	3,662,272		
Charleston & W Car May	301,891	255,394	1,438,452	1,298,390	N Y Susq & West. May	414,781	335,663	1,641,203	1,525,284		
Ches & Ohio Lines. May	6,739,755	6,528,053	31,796,586	28,066,217	Norfolk & Western. May	6,423,482	5,925,049	30,300,435	29,891,394		
Chicago & Alton. May	2,200,366	2,156,632	10,669,533	9,892,886	Norfolk Southern. May	600,994	501,723	3,241,995	2,519,960		
Chic Burl & Quincy. April	1,238,012	1,161,011	56,063,750	44,566,854	Northern Alabama. May	120,399	73,565	633,425	479,445		
Chicago & East Ill. May	2,033,327	2,051,638	11,187,410	9,507,013	Northern Pacific. May	7,981,879	7,574,797	42,405,530	37,524,437		
Chicago Great West. May	1,655,241	1,596,772	9,088,600	8,026,632	Minn & Internat. May	95,248	95,099	545,690	456,274		
Chic Ind & Louisv. May	1,160,876	993,641	5,656,958	4,522,881	Northwestern Pacific May	637,437	545,246	2,679,490	2,128,598		
Chicago Junction. May	218,883	314,915	1,244,618	1,378,650	Pacific Coast. May	432,459	372,895	2,567,689	2,081,057		
Chic Milw & St Paul May	11032590	12060417	62,154,805	56,209,942	Pennsly RR & Co. April	34003251	36825582	149870926	143409179		
Chic & North West. May	12744632	11335680	58,977,889	50,069,946	Balt Ches & Atl. May	118,781	117,714	504,897	516,784		
Chic Peoria & St L. May	153,113	135,427	781,081	496,282	Long Island. May	2,033,322	2,328,054	8,231,848	8,888,687		
Chic R I & Pacific. May	10203561	8,413,300	51,121,766	40,295,542	Mary Del & Va. May	105,429	102,870	395,583	451,204		
Chic R I & Gulf. May	465,008	365,883	2,614,882	1,829,342	N Y Phila & Norf April	513,066	639,208	2,329,321	2,453,860		
Chic St P M & Om. May	2,313,018	2,058,907	12,213,375	10,354,732	Tol Peor & West. May	145,524	114,829	749,920	640,701		
Chic Terre H & S E. May	372,070	298,005	1,923,129	1,555,467	W Jersey & Seash April	808,451	832,378	3,132,199	3,020,358		
Cinc Ind & Western. May	318,277	246,894	1,674,181	1,132,958	Pitts C C & St L. April	8,082,920	6,920,967	26,073,527	20,940,762		
Cin N O & Tex Pac. May	1,487,727	1,350,291	7,730,699	6,922,737	Peoria & Pekin Un. May	99,800	105,701	629,725	492,891		
Colo & Southern. 3d wk June	509,157	476,358	12,684,461	11,174,881	Pere Marquette. May	3,161,077	2,811,977	14,030,404	12,794,694		
Ft W & Den City. May	885,293	883,751	4,810,803	4,146,492	Perkiomen. May	95,121	91,391	472,725	418,161		
Trin & Brazos Val. May	136,299	96,245	739,680	501,352	Phila Beth & N E. May	138,517	57,448	487,204	358,141		
Colo & Wyoming. May	90,799	94,011	360,059	473,522	Phila & Reading. May	7,294,060	6,003,318	34,188,619	26,659,742		
Copper Range. April	67,839	75,984	289,486	323,720	Pittsb & Shawmut. May	135,487	103,703	643,829	446,794		
Cuba Railroad. April	1,467,108	1,274,864	5,130,721	4,889,697	Pitts Shaw & North May	103,502	76,469	567,205	406,109		
Camaguey & Neuv April	192,424	215,926	-----	-----	Pittsb & West Va. May	184,153	107,986	715,438	529,159		
Delaware & Hudson May	2,836,639	2,865,022	13,996,379	13,038,820	Port Reading. May	134,588	232,284	771,440	1,055,598		
Del Lack & West. May	5,626,096	6,121,589	26,539,970	27,931,940	Quincy Om & K C. April	95,698	91,260	418,066	336,858		
Denv & Rio Grande May	2,953,227	2,388,883	14,509,015	11,529,155	Rich Fred & Potom May	925,815	1,073,375	4,726,083	5,160,205		
Denver & Salt Lake May	195,249	236,025	890,649	898,579	Wash Southern. February	309,844	332,144	685,472	778,950		
Detroit & Mackinac May	155,127	130,480	717,850	583,463	Rutland. May	459,643	406,006	2,109,862	1,793,499		
Detroit Tol & Iront. May	399,292	247,653	1,833,312	1,446,986	St Jos & Grand Isl'd May	249,921	200,955	1,267,077	1,062,245		
Det & Tol Shore L. May	180,298	154,179	705,012	735,293	St Louis-San Fran. May	6,945,326	5,850,155	34,974,331	29,220,477		
Dul & Iron Range. May	1,328,242	1,159,270	1,943,605	2,052,670	Ft W & Rio Gran May	134,898	117,529	787,268	541,182		
Dul Missabe & Nor. May	1,995,178	3,361,898	2,857,950	5,090,222	St L S P of Texas May	139,444	100,933	674,507	513,622		
Dul Sou Shore & Atl 4th wk June	103,464	84,068	2,533,721	2,181,075	St Louis Southwest. May	1,687,384	1,074,573	8,004,633	5,073,426		
Duluth Winn & Pac May	183,680	143,861	978,579	835,127	St L S W of Texas May	683,730	504,227	3,562,751	2,361,123		
East St Louis Conn. April	36,592	92,205	419,349	361,238	St Louis Transfer. April	44,522	70,823	450,613	320,392		
Elgin Joliet & East. May	1,770,149	1,522,132	8,805,919	8,791,618	San Ant & Aran Pass May	338,470	335,135	1,792,253	1,615,810		
El Paso & So West. May	1,021,969	1,053,023	5,681,762	5,233,845	San Ant Uvalde & G. May	155,479	128,997	601,807	443,830		
Erie Railroad. May	7,511,320	7,769,062	36,799,363	34,300,424	Seaboard Air Lino. May	3,903,663	3,326,503	20,706,939	17,093,274		
Chicago & Erie. May	1,029,803	902,257	4,268,169	4,144,042	South Buffalo. May	123,193	52,399	533,150	496,532		
Neu Jersey & N Y May	103,628	93,537	488,395	406,759	Southern Pacific. May	15784821	13114866	71,732,292	62,046,809		
Florida East Coast. May	1,114,726	856,479	6,217,981	4,656,586	Arizona Eastern. May	340,051	313,148	1,645,051	1,561,281		
Fonda Johns & Glov May	127,003	107,797	549,743	471,488	Galv Harris & S A May	2,003,953	1,724,307	9,493,912	8,291,690		
Ft Smith & Western May	141,418	125,945	732,754	594,449	Hous & Tex Cent. May	905,427	750,930	4,435,960	3,363,466		
Galveston Wharf. May	118,177	62,184	516,747	326,383	Hous E & W Tex. May	253,276	191,841	1,171,912	919,944		
Georgia Railroad. May	532,682	463,483	2,639,869	2,557,017	Louisiana West. May	408,007	381,793	2,069,896	1,611,024		
Georgia & Florida. May	107,960	67,033	553,221	401,312	Morg La & Texas May	807,662	654,506	4,074,275	2,933,410		
Grand Trunk Syst. 4th wk June	2,926,623	2,196,458	-----	-----	Texas & New Or. May	735,933	661,364	3,733,186	3,072,707		
Ch D & C G T Jct May	92,945	171,924	639,780	785,378	Southern Railway. 4th wk June	3,627,719	2,723,009	-----	-----		
Det Gr H & Milw May	287,720	387,057	1,592,242	1,513,085	Ala Great South. May	844,677	887,247	4,195,032	4,075,879		
Grd Trunk West. May	1,032,703	1,188,150	5,725,656	5,249,670	Mobile & Ohio. May	378,187	325,234	2,250,160	821,662		
Great Northern Syst May	9,695,801	8,474,019	43,767,522	38,340,910	Georgia Sou & Fla May	1,410,920	1,241,280	7,386,257	5,976,954		
Green Bay & West. May	100,408	95,657	489,509	481,367	South Ry in Miss. May	128,225	140,485	785,812	691,949</		

Latest Gross Earnings by Weeks.—For the fourth week of May our final statement covers 17 roads and shows 29.69% increase in the aggregate over the same week last year.

Fourth Week of May.	1920.	1919.	Increase.	Decrease.
	\$	\$	\$	\$
Previously reported (12 roads) --	16,465,523	12,684,025	3,817,515	36,016
Ann Arbor.....	127,717	106,592	21,145	-----
Duluth South Shore & Atl.....	103,464	84,068	19,396	-----
Mineral Range.....	10,464	7,513	2,951	-----
Nevada-California-Oregon.....	8,480	8,881	-----	401
Tennessee Alabama & Georgia.....	5,615	2,390	3,255	-----
Total (17 roads).....	16,721,323	12,893,179	3,861,262	36,418
Net increase (29.69%).....	-----	-----	3,827,841	-----

Net Earnings Monthly to Latest Dates.—In our "Railway Earnings" Section or Supplement, which accompanies to-day's issue of the "Chronicle," we give the May figures of earnings of all steam railroads which make it a practice to issue monthly returns or are required to do so by the Inter-State Commerce Commission. The reader is referred to that Supplement for full details regarding the May results for all the separate companies.

In the following we give all statements that have come in the present week. We also add the returns of the industrial companies received this week.

Roads.	Gross Earnings		Net Earnings	
	Current Year.	Previous Year.	Current Year.	Previous Year.
	\$	\$	\$	\$
Atlanta & West Point. b May	228,411	233,703	51,457	65,795
Jan 1 to May 31.....	1,241,847	1,135,117	333,957	322,468
Atl & St Lawrence. b..... May	232,062	236,617	def61,950	def164,784
Jan 1 to May 31.....	1,248,152	1,767,588	def300,605	def442,395
Baltimore & Ohio. b..... May	18,263,118	14,327,444	1,987,154	635,121
Jan 1 to May 31.....	82,201,815	64,526,634	3,401,864	df3,419,583
Central RR of N J. b..... May	3,532,857	3,467,309	88,577	79,302
Jan 1 to May 31.....	16,004,562	16,611,811	def1,066,443	1,002,728
Colorado & Southern. b May	1,097,332	1,020,944	def225,169	91,447
Jan 1 to May 31.....	3,588,662	5,171,406	1,035,352	974,974
Ft Worth & Denv C b May	855,293	883,751	def48,500	301,100
Jan 1 to May 31.....	4,810,803	4,146,492	395,319	1,141,375
Det & Tol Sh Line. b..... May	180,298	154,179	99,259	76,723
Jan 1 to May 31.....	705,012	735,293	253,841	401,641
Duluth Win & Pac. b..... May	183,680	143,861	def1,322	1,994
Jan 1 to May 31.....	978,579	835,127	118,921	105,037
Fonda Johns & Glov. b May	127,003	107,797	45,791	44,459
Jan 1 to May 31.....	549,743	471,488	192,773	162,024
Georgia & Florida. b..... May	107,960	67,033	def52,373	def53,932
Jan 1 to May 31.....	553,221	401,312	def307,835	def126,733
Green Bay & West. b..... May	100,408	95,657	def6,211	def8,624
Jan 1 to May 31.....	489,509	481,367	32,444	30,814
Illinois Central. b..... May	10,713,130	9,001,860	185,401	1,563,368
Jan 1 to May 31.....	54,600,825	41,774,666	5,950,261	3,146,579
Kan Okla & Gulf. b..... May	193,042	104,063	12,054	def86,282
Jan 1 to May 31.....	959,457	503,113	def95,841	def352,050
St Jos & Gr Island. b..... May	249,921	200,955	def32,659	def 146
Jan 1 to May 31.....	1,267,077	1,062,245	def30,323	def79,549
St Louis San Fran. b..... May	6,945,326	5,850,155	1,153,796	1,288,771
Jan 1 to May 31.....	34,974,331	29,220,477	6,267,536	5,157,816
St Louis Southwest. b..... May	1,687,384	1,074,573	609,029	355,159
Jan 1 to May 31.....	8,004,633	5,073,426	2,935,134	950,658
St Louis S W of Tex b May	683,730	504,227	def224,974	def73,052
Jan 1 to May 31.....	3,562,751	2,361,123	def959,354	def569,308
Union Pacific. b..... May	9,480,312	8,422,271	2,613,228	2,719,360
Jan 1 to May 31.....	46,475,328	41,205,957	14,363,718	12,555,384
Ore Short Line. b..... May	3,514,122	2,926,556	1,125,975	863,205
Jan 1 to May 31.....	17,413,008	14,003,774	6,045,147	3,509,114
Ore Wash RR & N. b..... May	2,500,317	2,172,878	226,842	402,665
Jan 1 to May 31.....	13,089,562	10,480,044	2,563,573	1,196,772
Wabash. b..... May	3,861,755	4,272,003	def562,676	620,002
Jan 1 to May 31.....	20,319,581	18,721,068	def1,340,100	1,446,574
West Ry of Alabama. b May	222,423	237,804	51,803	76,322
Jan 1 to May 31.....	1,149,898	1,123,133	283,899	279,465
Wichita Valley. b..... May	98,444	77,148	def42,211	8,378
Jan 1 to May 31.....	704,529	351,632	132,417	22,210
Yazoo & Miss Valley. b May	2,388,805	1,961,896	222,319	484,746
Jan 1 to May 31.....	11,841,640	9,297,937	1,659,806	1,737,319

b Net earnings here given are before deducting taxes.

ELECTRIC RAILWAY AND PUBLIC UTILITY COS.

Name of Road or Company.	Latest Gross Earnings.		Jan. 1 to Latest Date.		
	Month.	Current Year.	Previous Year.	Current Year.	Previous Year.
		\$	\$	\$	\$
Adirondack El Pow Co May		160,012	130,026	873,969	684,054
Alabama Power Co May		333,462	211,173	1,620,642	1,156,947
Atlantic Shore Ry... April		17,396	10,832	54,738	45,487
Bangor Ry & Electric May		38,237	28,559	190,131	143,051
Baton Rouge Elec Co May		100,834	83,381	476,480	413,924
Blackstone V G & El. May		248,099	195,864	1,314,634	1,112,519
Brazilian Trac. L & P May		1098,5000	9562,000	50,166,000	41,594,000
Bklyn Rap Tran Sys--					
aBklyn City RR..... February		711,161		1,552,196	
aBklyn Hts RR..... February		4,570	666,440	13,232	1,379,372
Coney Isl'd & Bklyn February		157,233	129,052	343,568	267,569
Coney Isl'd & Grave February		4,039	2,934	8,296	5,856
Nassau Electric..... February		430,052	375,550	946,059	774,464
South Brooklyn..... February		71,185	57,185	143,438	116,418
New York Consol..... February		1621,032	1150,893	3,225,785	2,403,667
Bklyn Qu Co & Sub February		121,289	101,766	273,145	207,446
Cape Breton Elec Co May		50,607	46,350	236,665	230,884
Cent Miss V El Prop. May		38,087	32,982	197,906	164,734
Chattanooga Ry & Lt May		108,660	74,545	541,299	389,790
Cities Service Co..... May		2219,331	1785,853	10,606,059	9,161,801
Cleveland & East April		57,991	48,496	217,956	189,457
Columbia Gas & Elec May		1139,390	918,256	6,407,007	5,298,330
Columbus (Ga) El Co May		127,373	101,646	653,417	505,664
Com'wth P, Ry & Lt May		2438,654	2055,620	12,574,060	10,322,201
Connecticut Power Co May		120,948	89,854	600,258	501,292
Consum Pow (Mich) May		1097,713	894,440	5,715,390	4,567,031
Cumb Co (Me) P & L May		239,753	201,289	1,180,505	1,022,445
Dayton Pow & Light.. May		280,505	214,052	1,534,895	1,211,657
d Detroit Edison..... May		1669,922	1210,340	8,701,199	6,651,307
Duluth-Superior Trac May		161,373	162,247	809,054	773,983
East St Louis & Sub. May		322,694	252,740	1,661,439	1,321,342
Eastern Texas Elec... May		127,686	110,108	625,341	510,182
Edison El of Brockton May		110,977	83,444	565,976	448,378

Name of Road or Company.	Month.	Latest Gross Earnings.		Jan. 1 to Latest Date.	
		Current Year.	Previous Year.	Current Year.	Previous Year.
		\$	\$	\$	\$
Elec Light & Pow Co.	May	24,465	21,583	133,777	111,814
e El Paso Electric Co.	May	152,988	126,206	762,984	627,000
Fall River Gas Works	May	68,913	56,261	341,593	278,010
Federal Light & Trac	April	369,621	316,314	1,552,585	1,311,718
Ft Worth Pow & Lt...	May	168,716	90,675	811,071	512,886
Galv-Hous Elec Co...	May	334,843	248,596	1,434,904	1,214,104
Georgia Lt, P & Rys...	April	137,629	114,681	564,880	466,254
e Great West Pow Sys	April	460,104	412,599	1,870,307	1,675,375
Harrisburg Railways.	April	142,745	124,379	563,017	517,109
Havana El Ry, L & P	May	946,301	740,304	4,587,376	3,576,815
Haverhill Gas Lt Co.	May	34,335	26,588	183,593	147,857
Honolulu R T & Land	April	73,523	60,770	269,527	237,782
Houghton Co El Co...	May	37,352	32,239	214,850	187,915
Houghton Co Trac Co	May	23,533	22,188	136,947	126,205
Hudson & Manhattan	February	520,595	445,855	1,078,981	959,187
d Illinois Traction...	May	1634,853	1355,166	8,386,024	6,914,870
Interboro Rap Tran.	May	4597,479	4019,001	22,986,327	19,341,036
Kansas Gas & Elec Co	May	270,333	210,397	1,423,013	1,148,859
Keokuk Electric Co...	May	27,519	24,821	140,907	124,212
Key West Electric Co	May	22,851	17,723	107,320	94,289
Lake Shore Elec Ry...	March	257,477	185,808	721,245	551,678
Long Island Electric.	February	14,910	14,406	37,357	29,596
Louisville Railway...	April	342,575	339,350	1,319,111	1,303,102
Lowell Electric Corp.	May	91,395	73,757	512,777	412,294
Manhattan & Queens	February	14,546	18,104	34,349	38,206
Manhat Bdge 3c Line	February	18,427	11,375	38,719	21,110
cMilw El Ry & Lt Co.	May	1476,714	1180,477	7,417,620	5,950,359
Miss River Power Co.	May	238,349	198,593	1,050,789	916,704
Nashville Ry & Light	May	320,236	264,678	1,540,539	1,321,323
New England Power...	May	472,460	293,157	2,273,808	1,519,172
NewpN & H Ry, G & E	May	209,981	241,736	1,030,043	1,062,398
New York Dock Co...	May	465,172	447,810	2,270,825	2,101,638
N Y & Long Island...	February	22,605	31,795	60,947	75,080
N Y & North Shore...	February	2,869	10,659	15,286	21,441
N Y & Queens County	February	54,583	71,953	145,012	150,641
bN Y Railways.....	February	317,785		1,178,103	
bEighth Avenue...	February	16,986	917,583	109,022	1,879,847
bNinth Avenue.....	February	4,818		44,956	
Northern Ohio Elec...	May	1009,513	761,606	4,705,142	3,566,716
North Texas Electric.	May	331,347	264,546	1,579,825	1,276,153
Ocean Electric (L I)...	February	7,841	6,577	17,801	13,853
Pacific Power & Light	May	204,110	166,572	1,007,920	816,604
Phila & Western.....	May	72,600	65,053	295,620	278,422
Phila Rap Transit Co	May	3379,185	3084,983	15,475,745	14,211,334
Portland Gas & Coke	May	209,064	165,495	1,038,915	871,285
Port (Ore) Ry, L & P Co	May	741,360	711,453	3,700,267	3,544,323
Puget Sd Tr, L & P Co	April	813,507	712,832	3,382,255	-----
Republic Ry & Lt Co.	May	623,507	491,776	3,326,430	2,537,913
Richmond Lt & RR...	February	42,777	36,236	85,538	73,608
St L Rocky Mt & Pac	March	416,537	282,074	1,193,874	968,467
Second Avenue.....	February	13,109	55,262	79,993	115,057
Southern Cal Edison	May	1190,532	882,563	4,780,739	3,919,520
Tampa Electric Co...	May	115,848	103,018	622,367	515,887
Tennessee Power.....	May	200,730	149,720	978,195	968,713
hTenn Ry, Lt & P Co	May	548,713	421,082	2,650,730	2,348,762
Texas Power & Lt Co	May	338,309	249,788	1,716,60	

The large expenditures on the leased property of the Terre Haute Tract. & Light Co. include the cost of further extensions of the light and power lines to coal mines and manufacturing plants and other consumers. The increased sale of power on account of these additions adds materially to the revenue of the company.

The use of one-man safety cars in Terre Haute has proved so successful in point of efficiency and economy of operation that 25 more cars were purchased during the year 1919. This makes a total of 56 cars of this type now in use in Terre Haute.

Sinking Funds.—During the year 1919 the amounts set forth below, aggregating \$227,101, were deducted from net earnings for account of sinking funds, but due to the necessity of providing funds for certain capital expenditures that could not be avoided, the principal of the sinking fund provided for by the General & Refunding Mortgage of the Terre Haute Indianapolis & Eastern Traction Co. was not paid. Sinking fund payments in 1919: Terre Haute Ind. & East. Tract. Co., \$146,105; Ind. & Greenfield Rapid Tran. Co., \$25,000; Ind. & East. Ry. Co., \$12,280; Ind. Crawfordsville & Danville Elec. Ry. Co., \$12,813; Terre Haute Traction & Light Co., \$30,903.

On Dec. 31 1919 the amount of bonds held for sinking funds was as follows: T. H. Ind. & East. Tract. Co., \$815,000, and Ind. & Greenf. R. T. Co., \$250,000, while the trustees held in cash, \$28,230 with which to purchase additional bonds, making a total investment in sinking fund of \$1,093,230.

Investment of Company's Funds.—The company had, on Dec. 31 1919 a total investment of \$3,331,162 in "Additions to plant, property and equipment," for which no bonds or other securities have been issued, and for the payments to sinking funds and investments in "Securities of Affiliated Companies," viz.:

Expended for construction purposes on the owned lines of the Terre Haute Indianapolis & Eastern Traction Co.	\$769,822
Advances made to leased lines for construction, &c.	1,024,686
Total amount invested in various sk. fds. as enumerated above.	1,093,230

Securities of affiliated companies owned \$446,424
This is an increase of \$280,670 in the assets of the company over 1918.

Live Stock Transportation.—In the winter of 1917 the company commenced carrying hogs, sheep and cattle from points on the Crawfordsville Division to Indianapolis for delivery to the stock yards. This has proved to be such a satisfactory means of transportation to shippers that the business has largely increased each year. During the year 1919 there were hauled 1,285 car loads of live stock on which the freight earns were \$27,479.

Freight Rates.—During 1919 there was a slight revision of freight rates authorized by the P. S. Comm. which gave the company a small net increase.

Passenger Fares.—The rate of fare during the year 1919 was 2 3/4 cents per mile. This was found inadequate and there is now before the Commission a petition from the company asking that the rate be made 3 cents per mile. The facts and figures presented in the company's petition justify the hope that this increase will be granted.

In the city of Richmond the fare has been made 5 cents straight with transfer. No tickets are now sold at reduced rates.

Results, &c., in 1920.—The gross earnings of the company from Jan. 1 to June 1 in 1920 show an increase of nearly 20% over 1919. At the same time the wages of conductors, motormen, section men and others in the transportation department have been increased nearly 22%, while the cost of material continues at high prices.

MISCELLANEOUS STATISTICS YEAR ENDING DEC. 31.

	1919.	1918.
Passengers carried—Interurban lines	8,782,328	8,603,196
Passengers carried—City lines	16,140,623	12,984,413
Total passengers carried	24,922,951	21,587,609
Freight handled (tons)	118,796	108,416
Express handled (tons)	19,223	17,015
Car miles operated—Interurban lines	5,665,595	5,607,175
Car miles operated—City lines	2,920,047	2,256,718
Power generated, main power stations (k.w.h.)	98,810,316	92,325,515

INCOME ACCOUNT FOR CALENDAR YEARS.

	1919.	1918.	1917.
Gross earnings	\$4,480,984	\$3,731,288	\$3,386,365
Operating expenses	3,084,392	2,472,220	2,087,473
Taxes	262,476	232,537	179,363
Net earnings	\$1,134,115	\$1,026,531	\$1,119,529
Other income—			
Rental of Ky. Ave. freight term l.	12,500	12,500	
Divs. on stocks owned, &c.	145,428	148,049	
Sale of power W. 10th St. pow. plant	93,625	124,013	
Gross earnings	\$1,385,668	\$1,311,093	
Bond interest	x743,771	749,558	
Dividends	y236,417	235,333	
Interest on notes	46,636	43,189	
Other deductions	19,085	11,433	
Sinking fund	227,101	226,219	
Balance, surplus	\$112,658	\$45,360	

x Bond interest includes: T. H. I. & E. Tr. Co., \$285,545; I. & E. Ry. Co., \$2,710; I. & G. R. T. Co., \$2,500; T. H. & W. Ry. Co., \$12,500; T. H. T. & L. Co., \$154,517; T. H. Elec. Co., \$75,000; I. & N. W. Tr. Co., \$123,500; I. & M. R. T. Co., \$37,500; I. C. & D. Elec. Ry. Co., \$50,000.
y "Dividends" includes I. C. & D. El. Ry. Co., pref., \$10,000; I. C. & El. Ry. Co. Com., \$16,000; T. H. T. & L. Co. Pref., \$60,000; I. & N. W. Tr. Co. Pref., \$22,500; T. H. T. & L. Co. Com., \$100,000; T. H. & W. R. Co. Pref., \$9,000; T. H. & W. Ry. Co. Com., \$10,000; Term. Rlty. Co. Pre. \$8,916.

GENERAL BALANCE SHEET DEC. 31.

1919.		1918.		1919.		1918.	
Assets—	\$	\$	Liabilities—	\$	\$	\$	\$
Road & equipment	26,059,697	26,052,962	Common stock	9,100,000	9,100,000		
Adv. leased lines			Preferred stock	9,100,000	9,100,000		
for constr., &c	1,279,186	909,077	Funded debt:				
Sec. of other cos.	546,424	475,344	T. H. I. & E. Tr. Co.	5,685,000	6,500,000		
Cash	149,565	85,052	I. & G. R. T. Co.	50,000	620,000		
Loans & nts. rec'd.	700,446	516,619	I. & E. Ry. Co.	254,000	300,000		
Accounts receiv'le	167,056	229,666	Car trust equipt.	254,500	161,500		
Special deposits	106		Term'l Realty Co	256,583	266,665		
Int., dividends & rents receivable	32,633		West Ind. Util. Co.	16,698			
Cashier's wkg. fd.	7,000		Notes payable	675,000	676,725		
Material & suppl's.	397,697	416,697	Accts. & wages pay	598,984	524,029		
Funds for I. & E. Ry. Co. bonds		620,000	Miscellaneous	48,318	32,095		
Rents & ins. prep'd	18,767	19,353	Accrued taxes	259,460	216,616		
Miscellaneous		32,633	Acce'd bond int., rentals, &c.	207,204	208,093		
Discount on T. H. I. & E. Tr. Co. bonds sold	125,000	125,000	Res. for inj. & dam.	230,521	219,109		
Sinking fund	82,340	1,081,250	Other reserves	46,578	14,254		
Suspense accounts	221,418	156,896	Acrued deprec'n.	74,022	59,730		
			Suspense—credits	41,846	25,368		
			Res. for stnk. fd.	1,909,584	1,670,722		
			Surplus to Dec. 31.	1,025,645	974,871		
			Surplus for year	183,422	50,774		
Total	29,817,365	30,720,552	Total	29,817,365	30,720,552		

xyz After deducting bonds held by sinking fund trustees, viz., of "x" \$15,000, of "y" \$250,000, of "z" \$551,000.—V. 111, p. 74.

Monongahela Valley Traction Co.

(Report for Fiscal Year ending Dec. 31 1919.)

Pres. G. M. Alexander, Fairmont, W. Va., May 10 1920 wrote in substance:

Results.—The gross earnings in 1919 increased \$631,371, or more than 17%. After setting aside sinking fund, maintenance and depreciation reserves of \$157,746, and paying pref. dividends, there remained net profits of \$414,035, or over 5% on the Common stock. This amount was carried to the profit and loss account.

No dividends were paid on the Common stock during the year. The board, appreciating the difficulty of financing the company's imperative requirements, believed it to be best for all concerned to defer for the time dividends on the Common stock and use the earnings in strengthening the company. This policy was carried out and approximately \$570,000 of net surplus was put back into the property.

	1919.	1918.
Electric Power Business—		
Total k. w. hours output	60,314,970	41,534,259
K. W. hours output, Fairmont-Clarksburg District, December	5,769,100	2,613,940
Gross revenues from electric power	\$467,293.55	\$269,822.89
No. of coal mines served with electric power, Dec.	139	69

The profit and loss account on Dec. 31 1919 amounted to \$588,345, and the reserves for maintenance and depreciation and sinking fund amounted to \$937,497.

Additions.—The Rivesville steam turbine central power plant was completed, one 10,000 k. w. turbine being put in operation in May and the other in July 1919.

The coal mine adjacent to the Rivesville power plant is now in operation and is producing sufficient coal to operate the power plant. Development work is being pushed, and any surplus coal mined will be used in the operation of the company's other plants.

In building the Rivesville steam turbine power plant the company has expended \$3,122,028, and in acquiring the coal acreage, and opening up and developing the aforesaid coal mine, \$549,491. The mine did not begin shipping coal until about July 7 1919. Out of an expenditure of about \$3,840,454 for new construction, additions and betterments, the company has only had the advantage of about four months' increased revenues from these expenditures. These betterments and improvements should bring about a very large increase in gross earnings for 1920.

Industrial.—The territory served was never more prosperous. All manufacturing plants are in full operation; the coal mining industry is at its best, with a demand for more coal than can be produced. Many new mines have been opened. Practically all of the mines in this region are electrically operated, purchasing electric power from this company. A number of substantial industries employing a large number of people have recently been located at Parkersburg; a large brass and copper mill is under construction at Fairmont, which will employ about a thousand people; these industries will all be large users of power. The industrial growth of Clarksburg is more rapid than ever before, making it one of the important industrial cities in West Virginia.

Further Additions.—As a further evidence of the development of the territory served, and the growth of the railway and electric power business since Jan. 1 1920, the company has contracted for the installation of an additional 20,000 k. w. steam turbine unit in its Rivesville power plant, increasing the capacity of that plant to 40,000 k. w., and is about to close a contract for the installation of an additional 5,000 k. w. steam turbine in its Parkersburg power plant, thereby doubling the capacity of that plant.

[As to sale in 1919 of \$2,000,000 one-year 6% notes of an auth. \$3,000,000, see V. 108, p. 2620; for offering of \$2,000,000 one-year 7% notes to refund the foregoing, see V. 110, p. 2193. For fare increase, see V. 110, p. 2437.]

INCOME ACCOUNT FOR YEAR ENDING DEC. 31.

	1919.	1918.	1917.
Gross earnings	\$4,418,700	\$3,787,328	\$3,046,769
Oper. exp., taxes (incl. inc. & excess profits taxes)	3,021,017	2,613,660	1,639,381
Net earnings	\$1,397,682	\$1,173,669	\$1,407,388
Deduct—Depreciation, &c.	x	x	\$160,015
Fixed charges	782,687	581,864	454,026
Preferred dividends	200,948	200,477	159,120
Common dividends		413,831	444,605
Balance, sur. or def.	sur. \$114,047	def. \$22,504	sur. \$189,622
Total surplus	\$588,345	\$288,342	\$320,964

a After deducting \$106,824 6% stock dividend on common stock paid Jan. 12 1917. x In 1919 and 1918 included in operating expenses.

BALANCE SHEET DECEMBER 31.

	1919.	1918.	1919.	1918.
Assets—	\$	\$	Liabilities—	\$
Property & equip.	24,396,846	22,368,413	Common stock	8,279,637
Com. stk. in treas.		3,720,364	Preferred stock	3,357,978
Pref. stk. in treas.		640,086	First mtge. bonds	12,503,000
First mtge. bonds	5,753,000	3,502,500	Gen. mtge. bonds	5,459,000
K. T. & E. Co.—			One-year notes	1,937,000
Common stock	1,096,759	1,096,759	Reserves	937,498
Preferred stock	1,073,670	1,073,670	Accrued interest	294,583
Cash	191,968	263,831	Accrued taxes not due	203,713
Cash held by trust	223,505	274,665	Bills payable	463,800
Sinking & ins. fund			Accounts payable	358,091
In hands of trust	50,947		Customers' deposits	45,826
Cash for retirement of one-year notes		369,000	Uncollected tick-ets	27,457
Materials on hand	323,995	306,609	Miscellaneous	51,102
Accts & bills rec.	\$21,288	448,336	Profit and loss	588,345
Loans on collateral		16,664		
Miscell. bonds and stock owned	253,350	281,623		
Adv. to allied cos.	73,484	150,248		
Deferred assets	163,345	86,094		
Miscellaneous	84,873	63,973		
Total	34,507,029	34,662,835	Total	34,507,029

—V. 111, p. 189.

Manhattan Electrical Supply Co., Inc.

(Financial Statement for Year ended Dec. 31 1919.)

This company has issued a financial plan which is summarized on a subsequent page. The company's earnings as published in the daily papers are given below along with the balance sheet as condensed from company's printed statement.

EARNINGS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING DEC. 31 1919.

	1919.	1918.	1917.
Calendar Years—			
Net sales	\$6,962,988	\$5,554,399	\$5,234,324
Gross profit	\$1,910,933	\$1,603,560	\$1,492,132
Other income	14,076	12,770	61,751
Gross profit	\$1,925,009	\$1,616,330	\$1,553,883
Expenses and Federal taxes	1,222,099	1,092,638	927,998

Net profit \$702,910 \$523,692 \$625,885
The company, incorporated in Mass. Nov. 1916, has always paid regular quarterly dividends of 1% (4% p. a.) on the Common shares as well as 7% on both classes of Pref.

BALANCE SHEET DECEMBER 31

	1919.	1918.	1919.	1918.
Assets—	\$	\$	Liabilities—	\$
Fixed assets, less re-serves	a969,796	938,354	7% 1st Pref. stock	1,270,400
Goodwill, pats., &c.	2,502,771	2,502,201	7% 2nd Pref. stock	198,000
Working funds	2,810	1,595	Common stock	3,000,000
Cash	334,110	338,921	Accounts payable	586,673
Notes receivable	51,198	34,767	Dividends payable	55,697
Accts. rec., less res.	914,152	626,446	Int., taxes, &c., accr.	5,364
Inventories	1,861,771	1,903,828	Fed. taxes accrued	183,917
U.S. bds. & acer. int.	129,199	132,496	Surplus	*1,526,558
Cash value lftc ins.	19,630	14,209		
Deferred charges	41,172	58,690		
Total	6,826,609	6,551,507	Total	6,826,609

a "Fixed assets" include: Real estate and buildings, \$684,264; Machinery, tools and equipment, \$247,731; horses, trucks and automobiles, \$9,793; office and store furniture and fixtures, \$28,008; total \$969,796.

Note.—Contingent liabilities on notes and draft under discount on Dec. 31 1919, aggregated \$5,611.

* Of the surplus shown, \$520,545 has been reserved to represent the appropriations made to retire First and Second Pref. stock—V. 110, p. 1647

La Belle Iron Works, Wheeling, W. Va.

(Report for Fiscal Year ending Dec. 31 1919.)

President R. C. Kirk, in Feb. 1920, wrote in substance:

[As to pending amalgamation plan see Wheeling Steel Corporation on a subsequent page.]

Ore.—Your iron ore mines produced during the year 436,033 gross tons of ore, a decrease of 14% from 1918.

Coal Mines.—Your coal mines produced as follows: Steubenville mine, 135,909 net tons, decrease 24%; Wheeling mine, 27,266 net tons, decrease 57%; La Belle (Pa.) mine, 198,288 net tons, increase 19%; Harmar mine, 60,536 net tons (new operation); total, 421,999 net tons, increase 2 1/2%.

By-Product Coke.—The by-product coke plant produced during the year 318,857 net tons of furnace coke, 823 tons of domestic coke, and 31,653 net tons of breeze coke; also 5,510 net tons of sulphate of ammonia, 4,228,879 gallons of tar, and 1,015,037 gallons of benzol.

Bee-Hive Coke.—The production was 4,935 net tons.

Manufacturing Plants.—The production compares as follows:

(Gross Tons)—	1919.	1918.	1917.	1916.
Pig iron	185,759	259,302	260,182	257,623
Ingots	291,004	401,624	419,491	416,783
Billets and slabs	248,009	325,809	350,053	350,426
Finished goods	304,770	351,516	394,249	416,827

Pay-Roll.—The pay-roll disbursements compare as follows:

	1919.	1918.	1917.
Total pay-roll	\$7,596,649	\$7,613,512	\$5,905,201
Average number of full-time employees	3,673	4,190	4,183
Average per employee	\$2,068	\$1,817	\$1,412

Shipments.—The aggregate value of shipments was \$18,705,774, compared with \$31,646,211 for 1918.

Oil.—Your oil production was 4,328 bbls., the output at present being approximately 350 barrels per month.

Plant Additions, &c.—The plant additions and improvements in progress in Dec. 1918 were completed. Many additions and improvements also were made to plant and equipment, notably: (1) At sheet and jobbing mills installation of four combination sheet and pair furnaces, with the following installations in progress: (a) Electric drive for eight sheet mills and seven cold roll mills; (b) two stands of cold-rolls; (c) four independent sheet and pair furnaces; (d) three-bay extension to mill building, annealing building and warehouse. (2) At tube works department, extension to shipping warehouse 80x120 ft., and additional mill building, 120x140 ft., including electric overhead traveling crane.

Consumers Mining Co.—It is expected that the production of coal at this mine will reach 1,000 tons per day by Oct. 1 1920, and plans are under way for the transportation of the output of this mine by water, in your own craft, by the spring of 1921.

Reserves.—The sum of \$1,763,072 was expended for maintenance and repairs and charged against the year's profits, in comparison with \$2,412,790 in 1918. The total reserve for general depreciation is now \$4,411,817 (see footnote to balance sheet).

Dividends.—There was declared during the year cash dividends in the sum of \$1,586,464, being 8% on the Preferred and Common stocks.

Outlook.—The demand for your products at the beginning of the new year is all that could be desired. Orders now on the books should keep the plants fully occupied throughout the first half of the year. It is evident that the transportation facilities of the country are inadequate, and this, with other contributing factors, will doubtless operate against maximum production, so urgently needed at this time. The outlook for the year, however, after making due allowance for the retarding factors, can doubtless be regarded with a fair degree of confidence.

INCOME ACCOUNT FOR YEARS ENDING DEC. 31.

	1919.	1918.	1917.	1916.
Shipments	\$18,705,774	\$31,646,211	\$31,656,268	\$19,698,155
Total income	\$3,852,789	\$9,479,129	\$14,198,404	\$6,434,318
Provision for—				
Exhaus. of minerals & lease values	517,215	549,310	420,282	260,214
General depreciation	750,000	959,000	750,000	—
Contingencies, &c.	—	137,179	90,908	206,185
Interest on bonds	123,108	126,952	145,654	209,166
Net earnings	\$2,462,466	\$7,715,679	\$12,791,560	\$5,758,753
Deduct—Special chgs.; Inventory res'v'e, adj., &c. Disc. & prem. on bonds. Prov. for excess profits, income taxes, &c.	—	800,000	1,200,000	1,000,000
	207,853	4,330,262	5,189,302	—
Net profit	\$2,254,613	\$2,585,417	\$6,396,928	\$4,488,601
Deduct—Pref. divs. (8%)	793,232	(8)793,232	(8)793,232	(13)1,289,002
Common dividends (8%)	793,232	(12)1,189,848	(12)1,189,848	(1)99,154
Surplus for the year	\$668,149	\$602,337	\$4,413,848	\$3,100,445
Add—Surplus at beginning of year	10,122,948	9,520,611	5,656,764	3,056,318
Less—add'l deprec., &c.	—	—	550,000	500,000
Sur. carried to bal. sheet	\$10,791,098	\$10,122,948	\$9,520,612	\$5,656,764

TOTAL INCOME FOR TEN FISCAL PERIODS.

Year ended June 30 1911	\$1,460,513	Year ended Dec. 31 1915	\$1,281,493
6 mos. end. Dec. 31 1911	405,214	do do 1916	6,434,318
Year ended Dec. 31 1912	1,249,503	do do 1917	14,198,404
do do 1913	1,926,447	do do 1918	9,479,129
do do 1914	588,812	do do 1919	3,852,789

CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEET DECEMBER 31.

Assets—	1919.	1918.	Liabilities—	1919.	1918.
\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Land, bldgs., plant machinery, &c.	31,582,058	30,460,283	Preferred stock	9,915,400	9,915,400
Investments (at or below cost)	248,222	289,722	Common stock	9,915,400	9,915,400
U. S. Treas. ctfs. of indebtedness	—	—	1st & ref. M. bds.	2,421,000	2,477,000
U. S. Lib. bds. cost	6,175,311	6,292,095	Notes payable	1,500,000	—
do employees	347,872	—	Wages, taxes and royalties accrued	524,204	489,018
Cash to red. bonds	—	1,050	Accounts payable	712,436	1,319,586
Deferred charges	113,597	45,061	Accrued int., &c.	18,058	19,118
Inventories	7,788,537	6,435,018	Est. excess profit & income taxes	2,207,853	4,194,791
Accounts and notes receivable	1,490,904	2,279,443	1st M. 6s called	—	1,050
Cash	873,694	1,884,445	Div. Jan. 2 1920	347,039	—
			Depr., &c., funds	11,919,836	10,580,678
Total	48,272,323	49,034,989	Total surplus	10,791,098	10,122,948

b Total bonds issued, \$3,500,000, less \$1,000,000 redeemed and canceled and \$79,000 purchased and held in treasury. c Reserve funds include: For general depreciation, \$4,411,818; exhaustion of minerals, \$3,499,201; for relining furnaces and rebuilding furnaces, \$594,976; for accidents and contingencies, \$1,076,176; and for future fluctuations in prices, &c., of raw material and supplies, \$2,337,666. d Estimated Federal taxes for year 1919.—V. 111, p. 194.

Wheeling Steel & Iron Co., Wheeling, W. Va.

(28th Annual Report—Year ended Dec. 31 1919.)

President Isaac M. Scott, Feb. 24 1920, wrote in subst.:

(Compare amalgamation plan on a following page.)

Operations—Strike.—The slackening in the demand following the Armistice applied mainly to merchant pipe and tinplate, and continued throughout the whole of the first quarter. With the second quarter an improvement set in, and by the end of that quarter your plants were again running at practically full capacity. This improved condition continued throughout most of the third quarter, or up until Sept. 22, when our employees [the tinplate department excepted] in common with those of most of the other steel plants of the country, went on strike.

Wages were to no considerable extent involved, it being rather a determined effort to unionize the entire steel industry of the country. No attempt was made to operate with outside workmen and on or about Dec. 10 a considerable number of our employees having evidenced a desire to work under the old conditions, the plants were again thrown open, and operations resumed. Aside from the loss of profits the company suffered no material hardship, as the direct strike expense was unimportant.

The transportation problem is becoming more and more serious. Not only are the available cars and locomotives short in number, but a large percentage of this equipment is really unfit for use.

Reserve Funds.—As will be noted by the statement, the amount appropriated from the year's earnings for reserve purposes was liberal, but not beyond the point of reason; the balances standing to the credit of the several funds at the close of the year being as follows: for depreciation and renewal of plants, \$1,828,175; exhaustion of minerals, \$54,159; relining blast furnaces, \$118,398; contingencies, \$365,350; total, \$2,366,081.

Dividends.—There was declared during the year in the way of cash dividends the sum of \$836,281, being at the rate of 9% on the capital stock.

Taxes.—No deduction was made from the profits of 1918 for Federal income and excess profits taxes, due to the uncertainty, existing at that time, as to some of the provisions of the law, but it was stated that these taxes would be between \$3,500,000 and \$4,000,000. The exact final figures were \$3,695,271.

While the amount appropriated from this year's earnings for Federal taxes is small as compared with previous year, it is thought to be adequate.

Outlook.—At the present time there is an active demand for all classes of steel products, which, with no serious financial unsettlement or general labor disturbance, should continue indefinitely and at prices showing a fair return on the capital invested.

Description of Property.

Coal Reserves.—The company's coal holdings consist of:

[a] 1,000 acres of Pittsburgh thick vein coal and some 300 acres of surface located on the Monongahela River at Rices Landing, Fayette Co., Pa.

[b] Approximately 1,100 acres of Freeport vein coal, together with some 500 acres of surface located on the Allegheny River, near Oakmont, Pa.

While both these tracts are undeveloped, tests made and the result of the use of coal taken from adjacent properties show it to be of a quality suited for coke making purposes in by-product ovens. The title to the above properties is held in the name of the Wheeling Coke Co., all of the capital stock of which is owned by your company.)

[c] Furtner, the company owns in its own name between five and six hundred acres of steam and heating furnace coal, located in the Wheeling district.

Our coal holdings, based on probable requirements, are large, and well fortify us against any shortage of fuel in the future.

Ore.—The company's stock holdings in the Castile and Fort Henry Mining companies guarantee to it the first call on a large tonnage of Bessemer ore, of a grade such as is required in the operation of its furnaces, and at the present time your company is using of this ore approximately 250,000 tons per year.

Manufacturing.—The company's plants have a rated annual capacity in gross tons as follows:

Character—	Number.	Gross tons.	Character—	Number.	Gross tons.
Blast furnaces	3	275,000	Galvanizing plant	2 pots	35,000
Bessemer pl't.	1	225,000	Tin pl't. mills	24 trains	100,000
Skelp mills	4 trains	175,000	Tinning pots	39	2,200,000
Tube plant	5 furnaces	150,000			

The cost of providing the aforesaid manufacturing capacity would be much in excess of the amount at which the plants are carried in its bal. sheet.

The company also owns some 230 acres of mill site located in the Yorkville district, against possible future extensions.

PRODUCTION FOR CAL. YEARS IN GROSS AND NET TONS.

Department—	1919.	1918.	1917.	1916.
Pig iron (gross tons)	184,378	203,456	209,206	210,183
Billets & slabs (gross tons)	116,210	161,754	207,347	209,551
Ingots (gross tons)	129,228	181,460	224,296	231,784
Skelp (gross tons)	—	—	151,913	144,020
Tube works (gross tons)	—	—	129,151	131,425
Galvanized (net tons)	—	—	22,444	24,724
Tin plate (gross tons)	—	—	66,604	53,075
Coated (base boxes)	—	—	1,483,629	1,093,190
Finished pro. (net tons)	122,071	174,267	195,755	184,500
Coal mined (net tons)	172,819	252,432	266,308	210,027

SHIPMENTS AND PAYROLLS FOR CALENDAR YEARS.

	1919.	1918.	1917.	1916.
Value of shipments	\$16,436,273	\$27,475,915	\$27,964,342	\$15,073,530
Payrolls	4,439,748	6,452,375	5,146,747	3,267,097

INCOME ACCOUNT FOR YEARS ENDING DEC. 31.

	1919.	1918.	1917.	1916.
Net from operating	\$2,744,131	\$7,524,177	\$9,504,475	—
Maint. & repairs	818,799	1,129,101	952,956	—
Net profits	\$1,925,332	\$6,395,076	\$8,551,519	—
Div. & int. on invest.	219,870	291,662	288,582	—
Net earnings	\$2,145,202	\$6,596,737	\$8,840,101	\$2,904,453
Less Provision for				
Exhaustion of minerals	12,962	18,932	13,315	8,949
Excess profits tax, &c., & oth. contingencies	174,177	See 1919 below	4,108,875	235,431
State excise tax & other contingencies	—	—	121,535	—
Depreciation	480,000	630,000	530,000	230,000
Miscellaneous	54,000	—	—	—
Profits for the year	\$1,424,062	\$5,826,270	\$4,187,911	\$2,430,074
Deduct—				
Interest on bonds, &c.	\$145,861	\$145,500	\$150,000	\$150,000
Cash divs. on cap. stock	836,281	928,714	966,108	650,517
Per cent.	x(9%)	(10%)	(13%)	—
Surplus for year	\$441,920	\$4,752,056	\$3,071,803	\$1,629,557
Previous surplus	9,099,425	6,205,569	4,372,846	2,743,289
	\$9,541,345	\$10,957,625	\$7,444,649	\$4,372,846
Deduct—				
Federal taxes (1918)	3,695,271	—	—	—
Stock dividends	—	\$1,858,200	\$1,239,080	—
Per cent (paid in Mar.)	—	(25%)	(20%)	—
Net surplus	\$5,846,074	\$9,099,425	\$6,205,560	\$4,372,846

x Includes 2% payable Jan. 2 1920.

BALANCE SHEET DEC. 31.

Assets—	1919.	1918.	Liabilities—	1919.	1918.
\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Land, coal lands, plants, &c.	10,533,022	10,257,640	Capital stk. (auth. \$10,000,000) is'd	9,292,680	9,292,680
Invest. in & adv. to m'g., &c., cos.	1,479,720	1,112,220	1st M. bds. (auth. \$5,000,000) is'd	2,190,000	2,350,000
Cash available for construction	41,181	186,419	Mtgs. on coal land purchased	118,575	145,909
Employ. liab. bds.	—	58,019	Notes payable	500,000	—
Cash	864,106	2,117,905	Accts pay., pay-rolls, &c.	717,389	1,201,077
Notes receivable	5,250	277,755	Prov. for excess prof. & inc. tax.	196,009	32,691
Accts. rec., less res.	1,084,006	2,028,981	Divs. pay. Jan. 1	185,842	278,739
Inventories	3,989,165	4,720,718	Depreciat'n & renewal reserve	1,828,175	1,444,438
Adv. payments on ore contracts	903,121	577,807	Other reserves	537,906	436,852
Inv. in Lib. bonds	2,451,700	1,905,000	Profit and loss	5,846,074	9,099,425
U. S. Ctfs. of Ind't	—	1,000,000			
Deferred assets	61,351	39,346			
Total	21,412,652	24,281,811	Total	21,412,652	24,281,811

—V. 110, p. 2393.

Shaffer Oil & Refining Co.

(Report for Fiscal Year ending Mar. 31 1920.)

This company, incorporated in Delaware, on May 31 1919 as a subsidiary of the Standard Gas & Electric Co., which owns control, holding at last advices \$11,000,000 of the Common stock and \$1,000,000 of the Preferred stock and guaranteeing the \$11,478,300 1st M. 6% bonds (V. 108, p. 246), reports:

INCOME STATEMENT FOR TWELVE MONTHS ENDING MARCH 31.

Gross earnings	\$10,005,118
Oper. expenses, incl. current maint. and provision or Fed. taxes	6,452,203
Interest charges	677,452
Preferred stock dividends	577,500
Balance or deprec., depl., amort. of debt discount, &c.	\$2,200,963

a Annual interest on the \$11,478,300 outstanding bonds amounts to \$688,698. The figure of \$774,452 deducted above includes interest on indebtedness cancelled by the issuance of the bonds and Prof. stock.
 b Represents nine months' dividend from date of issuance of stock. Annual dividends aggregate \$770,000.

GENERAL BALANCE SHEET—MARCH 31 1920.

Assets—	Liabilities—	\$
Property account	Preferred stock	11,000,000
Debt discount & expense, &c.	Com. stk. (200,000 sh. no par)	200,000
Invest. in allied distrib. cos.	1st M. Conv. 6% s.f. gold bds	11,478,300
Prepaid accounts	Notes payable	12,242
Cash	Accounts payable	1,228,188
Marketable securities	Int., div., est. Fed. taxes, &c.	2,417,901
Notes and accounts receivable	Surp. & res. for depl., depr. &c.	2,617,273
Adv. to agts., incl. miscel. dep.		
Inventories		
Total	Total	28,953,903

x Real estate, oil and gas leases, equipment, pipe lines, refinery, tank cars, distributing stations, &c.

Note.—Standard Gas & Electric Co. owns a majority of the Common stock of Shaffer Oil & Refining Co. and guarantees principal and interest on the outstanding \$11,478,300 first mortgage convertible 6% Sinking Fund Gold bonds.

Shaffer Oil & Refining Co. owns all the capitalization of Elmerdale Oil Co., the subsidiary operating company in Kansas. All figures herein include combined properties.

a In process of amortization.
 y Issued \$12,000,000, bonds redeemed \$521,700, balance \$11,478,300.—V. 111, p. 79.

Dominion Textile Co., Ltd.

(Report for Fiscal Year ended March 31 1920.)

President C. B. Gordon, Montreal, May 14, wrote in subst.:

Results.—Sales for the year amounted to \$23,436,771 and the surplus for the year after deducting all manufacturing costs, and allowing for rent, bond interest and dividends, amounts to \$703,961. This amount has been placed to the credit of profit and loss account, which now stands at \$4,053,045.

Additions, &c.—Since the last annual meeting the reconstruction of the Magog Dam, which had been carried away, was commenced, and is now nearing completion, and also the addition to the Magog Cotton Mill, which will increase the capacity from 61,000 to over 93,000 spindles.

Machinery has been purchased and is now coming forward for a fine white cotton mill of 1,500 looms capacity, which we hope to have in complete operation before the end of September.

Your directors, after careful investigation, decided during the year to purchase the Mt. Royal Spinning Mill, which heretofore was under lease, and the property was taken over on Sept. 1 1919. (See Canadian Cottons, Ltd., in V. 108, p. 2025).

During the past few years the cost of building and equipping a cotton mill has increased probably more than that of any other industry. In 1914 a mill equipped with automatic looms which cost in the neighborhood of \$30 per spindle, or \$1,200 per loom, will now cost \$85 per spindle, or \$3,400 per loom.

Outlook.—Whilst costs of manufacturing have continued to mount we believe the situation in Canada warrants the expectancy of full operations in all our mills during the ensuing year.

On Aug. 26 1919 the shareholders authorized the making of a \$15,000,000 First & Refunding Mtge. bond issue. The new mortgage is made to the Royal Trust Co., as trustee, to secure 6% gold bonds, dated Sept. 1 1919 and due Sept. 1 1949. Of the initial block of \$8,875,000, \$1,500,000 were disposed of directly by the company, without the aid of bankers, and the proceeds were applied to additions, acquisitions, &c. The remainder, \$7,375,000 of the initial \$8,875,000, are held in escrow to be applied to retiring the following old bonds \$ for \$, viz.: Dominion Cotton Mills 6s of 1902, due July 1 1922, \$3,700,000, Montgomery Cotton Mills 1st 6s of 1901, due July 2 1921, \$1,075,000; Dominion Textile Co. 6% gold bonds of 1905, due Mar. 1 1925, viz., series "A" \$758,500 (call 110); series "B" \$1,162,000 (call at par); "C" \$1,000,000 (call 105); "D" \$349,000 (call 105).

On July 2 1920 a quarterly dividend of 2½% was paid, increasing the rate to 10% (V. 110, p. 2389.).

INCOME ACCOUNT YEARS ENDING MARCH 31.

	1919-20.	1918-19.	1917-18.	1916-17.
Sales	\$23,436,771	\$23,666,217	\$16,850,279	\$13,375,750
Net prof. aft. repairs, &c	\$1,701,245	\$3,434,753	\$1,873,371	\$1,582,706
Other income	144,131			71,377
Total income	\$1,845,376	\$3,434,753	\$1,873,371	\$1,657,083
Deductions—				
Int. on Dom. Tex. bonds	\$245,730	\$193,230	\$193,170	\$193,011
Int. on Montmorency bds.	21,788	25,238	25,688	26,138
Rent. & int.—Com. C. M.	222,555	222,555	222,555	326,665
Mt. Royal rent account	112,500	198,000	198,000	198,000
Div. on pref. stock (7%)	135,842	135,842	135,842	135,331
Div. on Com. stock (8%)	400,000	400,000	350,000	300,000
Amt. writ. off bad debts			3,089	7,276
Patriotic fund				20,000
War tax reserve		1,100,000		100,000
Total deductions	\$1,141,115	\$2,274,865	\$1,128,343	\$1,306,451
Balance, surplus	\$703,962	\$1,159,888	\$745,028	\$350,632

GENERAL BALANCE SHEET MARCH 31.

Assets—	1920.	1919.	Liabilities—	1920.	1919.
Land, buildings & machinery	15,046,461	12,402,625	Common stock	5,000,000	5,000,000
Raw cotton	4,497,095	1,807,755	Preferred stock	1,940,000	1,940,000
Stock mfg. and in process	538,908	643,744	Dom. Tex. Co. bds.	4,767,500	3,267,500
Supplies	326,987	350,158	Dom. Cot. Mills bds.	3,700,000	3,700,000
Cash and bills receivable	319,955	710,825	Montmorency bds.	407,500	415,000
Open accounts	4,247,512	3,409,470	Loans—Commer'l.	4,100,420	332,058
Insurance	120,000	122,000	Deposits	111,359	42,422
Investments	1,821,327	825,088	Open accounts	633,756	494,513
			Allowance—wages, int. on bonds, &c	426,673	250,285
			Business profits tax	557,159	
			Reserve for water power, renewals, &c	243,319	
			Reserve for deprec.	936,912	
			Profit and loss	4,053,045	3,349,083
Total	26,968,243	20,301,666	Total	26,968,243	20,301,666

Indirect liabilities, bill receiv. under discount, \$233,952.—V. 111, p. 193.

American Thread Company.

(Income Account for Years ending March 31, &c.)

Period ended—	Mar. 31 '20.	Mar. 31 '19.	Mar. 31 '18.	Feb. 28 '17.
Gross income	\$3,935,013	\$5,912,874	\$2,625,068	
Management exp., &c.	580,472	707,815	352,645	
Deduct				
Depreciation	\$591,469	\$630,342	\$501,721	
Bond interest	283,229	260,000	220,000	
Bond redemption fund	211,737	113,032	83,218	
Other interest	118,326	83,204	19,314	
Net profits	\$3,616,756	\$2,149,780	\$4,118,481	\$1,418,356
Employees' pension fund	\$100,000	\$50,000	\$60,000	\$30,000
Prof. dividend (5%)	244,524	244,524	244,524	244,524
Common dividend	x1,350,000	1,200,000	1,242,000	918,000
do Rate per cent.	(15%)	(20%)	(23%)	(17%)
Reserve for contingency on stocks in trade	2,000,000		1,950,000	250,000
Balance	def. \$77,768 sur. \$655,256	sur. \$621,957	sur. \$5,646	

x Includes \$450,000 for 5% bonus on Common stock, besides the interim dividend of 4% (\$360,000) paid Jan. 8 1920.

BALANCE SHEET MARCH 31.

Assets—	1920.	1919.	Liabilities—	1920.	1919.
Property acct.	a18,472,399	17,926,799	Common stock	b9,000,000	6,000,000
Payment on acct. of additions	548,803	171,349	5% Preferred	4,890,475	4,890,475
Stock in trade	18,911,782	13,070,332	6% 1st M. bonds	6,000,000	6,000,000
Sundry debtors, less reserve for discount, &c.	3,832,665	3,524,862	Sundry credit, &c.	4,714,393	2,849,442
Cash	1,145,838	199,189	Bills payable	c5,346,526	2,516,580
Sundry investm'ts	661,212	1,153,392	Bond int. acer., &c.	132,006	127,477
Advance paym'ts.	229,292	140,364	Depreciation fund	7,248,485	6,642,099
			Reserves, &c.	d981,862	3,709,104
			Empl. pension fd.	19,305	14,402
			Balance, surplus	e5,468,939	3,436,708
Total	43,801,991	36,186,287	Total	43,801,991	36,186,287

a Property account includes: Mar. 31 1919, \$17,926,799, and additions (12 mos.) \$645,185; less \$99,585 for machinery discarded (charged to depreciation fund), sales of real estate, &c.

b Capital stock authorized March 31 1920, \$6,000,000 Pref. (par \$5); \$12,000,000 Common stock (par now \$10); outstanding, \$4,890,475 Pref. (full paid) and \$9,000,000 Common stock (\$7.50 per share paid up).

c Of the bills payable \$3,200,000 is secured by lien on raw cotton and \$78,953 by other collateral.

d Reserves March 31 1920: For contingencies on stocks in trade, \$542,858; bond redemption fund, \$239,983, and insurance reserves, \$199,021.

e This balance, surplus, of March 31 1920 is shown after deducting Prof. dividends of 6% for an entire year, \$244,524, and \$360,000 interim dividend on Common stock paid Jan. 8 1920 of 4%.—V. 109, p. 267.

Atlantic Fruit Company, New York.

(Report Cal. Year 1919—Consol. Bal. Sheet as at Mar. 31 1920.)

Prest. N. A. MacLeod, New York, May 10, wrote in sub.:

Results.—The net profits for 1919 amounted to \$2,457,071. Our importations were in excess of 1918, although weather conditions in Cuba were not favorable.

Steamer Operations.—The Steamers Sagua, Tanamo, Amelia and Annetta have been reclassified and are now in service—the two former on charter, carrying beef to Europe, under refrigeration, and the latter engaged in the fruit and freight trade with the West Indies. The Sagua made substantial profits in 1919; Tanamo suffered from fire and was out of commission undergoing repairs for several months. Amelia and Annetta in the fruit trade had to contend with port strikes and coal shortages.

Tropical Development.—The cane cultivations at Dec. 31 last showed approximately an area of 4,000 acres, which with later plantings, should provide a crop for 1921 from 6,000 to 10,000 acres. The banana extensions promise fruit of good quality. The coconut area is being regularly added to, and, with the trees now coming into bearing, the crop of nuts is rapidly increasing. A factory will shortly be provided for making copra.

Financing of Additions, &c.—The Certificate of Incorporation was amended during the year so as to change the par value of Common shares to no par value, and to entitle each shareholder to two such shares for each share of the par value of \$100 previously held; \$10,000,000 of 7% Fifteen Year Sinking Fund Convertible Gold Debenture bonds were sold, and 257,188 shares of the Common stock without par value were issued for cash or property, and 137,812 additional shares were allocated to the stockholders for exchange for their former shares.

The company was thus enabled to retire all of the previous issue of debentures (except a small amount which have been called for redemption—V. 110, p. 2490) to provide for the payment of the mortgages on its properties, to redeem the former Pref. stock, to acquire from the Cuban-American Sugar Co. and B. H. Howell Son & Co. the Barrederas and Cabonica properties adjoining the Company's Tanamo property in Cuba and from Sir John Pringle his properties (22,750 acres) in St. Mary's, Jamaica, to undertake the erection of a 300,000 bag sugar factory at Tanamo with the necessary outbuildings, additions to wharf, railroad facilities, cane cultivations, and to finance current payments on 2 new fruit steamers under construction on the Lakes and on 2 additional fruit steamers under construction in England. (See V. 109, p. 2358, 2440, 2441; V. 110, p. 80, 169).

New Steamers.—The company has purchased from the U. S. Shipping Board, on favorable terms as to price and payment, 4 steamers for the West Indies trade in sugar and general cargo, all high grade freight carriers, practically new, equipped as oil burners. The company has also contracted for the construction of 4 12½ knot combination fruit and freight steamers, two to be delivered this summer and the other two in the spring of 1921.

Purchase.—The purchase of the Pringle properties in Jamaica brings the land owned by the company in that Island up to about 24,000 acres, producing at present above 1,500,000 stems of bananas and 5,000,000 coconuts (prospectively 10,000,000), and other crops. The purchase also includes a considerable number of valuable cattle, with excellent pasturage, and certain wharf rights, which will facilitate the handling of fruit and loading of steamers.

The purchase of the Barrederas and Cabonica properties in Cuba includes approximately 63,000 acres of land, containing tracts suitable for the cultivation of cane, bananas and coconuts and represent a valuable addition to the company's possessions in Oriente, Cuba.

The erection of a 3,000 ton per day factory is being proceeded with, and it is expected that it will be ready to operate in 1921, early enough to produce 100,000 to 150,000 bags of sugar for the first grinding season together with the necessary cultivations, an estimated 18,000 acres to be under cane in 1922, fully supplying the factory; extensions to railways and a new wharf.

The additional property acquired in Oriente, Cuba, brings under our ownership about 60 miles of coast line and all the deep water harbors in that section. The properties purchased in Cuba, together with those previously owned, contain approximately 153,000 acres of land. We are proceeding with a plan of development intended to free us from depending, as in the past for the most part, on any one commodity of trade.

INCOME ACCOUNT FOR YEAR ENDED DEC. 31 1919 (INCL. SUB. C OS.)

Profit from operations	\$3,107,001
Income from investments, \$14,284; Interest, \$70,395; total	84,679
Total revenue	\$3,191,681
Expenses: Administration charges, \$247,968; tropical division special expenses, \$34,686; special tug repairs and expenses, \$22,241; miscellaneous, including bad debts (\$32,836), discount in debentures, \$23,488; depreciation on plantation (equipment and cultivations, \$163,850; interest on debentures, \$209,540	734,610
Net profit	2,457,071
Reserve for Federal taxes	650,000
Net profit after providing for taxes	\$1,807,071

CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEET MARCH 31 1920.

Assets	\$	Liabilities—	\$
Cash	577,163	Capital stock (395,000 sh.)	14,520,055
Call loans	5,000,000	Accounts payable	341,227
Accounts receivable	765,077	Drafts payable	239,312
Liberty bonds at cost	207,000	Insurance funds	26,814
Open voyages, &c.	154,014	Miscellaneous	216,280
Cash for Cananova mtge.	285,167	Reserves	724,527
Cash in Canada for mtges.	785,000	Mortgages payable	1,070,167
Investments in other cos.	113,877	7% Conv. debenture bonds	10,000,000
Prop., lands, contr., & equip.	10,749,329	6% debenture bonds	2,98,636
Plantations & equipment	6,300,271	Surplus	1,965,951
5 steamers at cost, less deprec.	1,635,201		
St's under constr., & to U. S.	1,494,679		
Office furniture	19,142		
Deferred charges	330,716		
Discount on debentures	983,333	Total each side	29,402,969

a In course of liquidation.
 b Authorized 1,000,000 shares of no par value, of which 400,000 shares are reserved for conversion of debentures. Issued 595,000 shares, less 200,000 shares held by trustees against conversion.
 c Debenture bonds \$3,561,350, less in treasury \$3,262,714. Funds have since been deposited with the trustees for redemption of these bonds to be called July 1 1920.—V. 110, p. 1091.

Hillman Coal & Coke Co., Pittsburgh Pa.
 (Report for Fiscal Year ending Dec. 31 1919.)

President T. W. Guthrie writes in substance:

[A proposition to increase the Capital stock is pending.]
Voting Trust Ends.—Effective Jan. 15 1919, the voting trustees, having completed their duties, resigned and the voting trust has, therefore, been discontinued.

Change in Name.—On May 5 1919, the name of the corporation was changed from United Coal Corporation to Hillman Coal & Coke Co. This change permits a closer affiliation with your subsidiaries and contemplates the consolidation of your various interests, and the eventual enlargement of your company.

Except as to name of company, the new Pref. and Common stock certificates are identical with the old ones. The exchange of United for Hillman stock certificates will be made by the Peoples Savings & Trust Co., of Pittsburgh, Transfer Agent.

Purchase.—Purchase of a majority of the Capital stock of the Diamond Coal & Coke Co. was consummated July 16 1919, and T. W. Guthrie was elected President of that company.

Business.—During the summer of 1919 the demand steadily increased and selling prices improved accordingly. Following the armistice it had been considerably unsettled and depressed.

Strike.—A general strike of bituminous coal miners became effective Nov. 1 and continued until the middle of December. The men at your non-union mines continued at work. Upon Oct. 30 1919, governmental regulation of prices and distribution of coal was resumed. During the strike much of our production was confiscated and great difficulty was experienced in tracing this coal. The miners returned to work at an average advance of 14% in wages and with no advance in the Government selling prices for coal.

Car Shortage.—Beginning in Dec. 1919 an acute shortage of cars caused the operation of your mines to be irregular, and increased the cost of production.

Output.—Notwithstanding the general strike and the shortage of cars, our output in 1919 was 2.36% greater than in 1918.

Finances.—The financial condition of the company continued to improve and it was decided to continue the retiring of underlying bonds whenever they could be purchased at reasonable prices.

Improvements, &c.—Many repairs and improvements have been made to reduce the cost of producing coal. The Ella Mine is now running upon purchased electric power.

CONSOLIDATED PROFIT & LOSS STATEMENT FOR CALENDAR YEARS 1919 AND 1918 AND 18 MONTHS TO DEC. 31 1917.

	1919.	1918.	18 mos. '16-17
Gross receipts	\$8,225,051	\$7,091,487	\$7,152,555
Operating costs	6,615,699	5,482,106	5,252,377
Interest	114,654	154,109	150,791
Depletion and depreciation	569,896	570,926	562,549
Net profits from operation	\$924,802	\$887,345	\$1,186,838
Res. for excess profit and income tax	92,088	207,922	275,000
Donations	900	25,350	
Preferred dividends (7%)	173,551	181,460	187,994
Credited to surplus	\$658,263	\$472,613	\$723,844

In July 1919 purchased a majority of the Capital stock of the Diamond Coal & Coke Co., formerly the United Coal Corporation.

BALANCE SHEET DECEMBER 31.

	1919.	1918.	1919.	1918.
Assets—				
Property account	9,230,971	9,896,557		
Liberty bonds	2,570,316	1,521,108		
Sinking fund cash and securities	2,244,985	2,179,386		
Deferred charges	27,389	32,475		
Inventories	412,623	461,344		
Cur't assets, accts. receiv. and cash	2,766,375	2,241,834		
Total	17,252,659	16,332,704		
Liabilities—				
Funded debt	3,180,500	3,337,000		
Accts. & notes pay.	1,018,405	340,039		
Accrued liab. & reserve for taxes	585,170	521,640		
Dividends payable	42,408	46,410		
Preferred stock	3,393,100	3,712,500		
Common stock	5,939,400	5,939,400		
Somerset R.E. Co.	20,568	19,892		
Bond retirement	98,349	100,934		
Surplus	2,974,759	2,314,589		
Total	17,252,659	16,332,704		

—V. 110, p. 2492.

GENERAL INVESTMENT NEWS.

RAILROADS, INCLUDING ELECTRIC ROADS.

Albany Southern RR.—Time Extended.—

A very large amount of the First Mortgage 5% Sinking Fund 30-Year Gold bonds have been deposited pursuant to the terms of the Deposit Agreement, dated March 1 1920. In order to give the non-depositing bondholders an opportunity to participate in the benefits of the Exchange plan, the time within which bonds may be deposited has been extended to and including Aug. 2 1920.—Compare V. 110, p. 2290; V. 111, p. 72.

Aransas Harbor Terminal Ry.—Government Loan.—

See Atchison Topeka & Santa Fe Ry. below.—V. 62, p. 634.

Argentine Ry.—Reorganization Plan.—

Holders of 6% Two-Year notes, or of deposit receipts representing such notes, are requested to lodge them at the office of the Law Debenture Corp., Ltd., 26 Old Broad St., London, to be exchanged for certificates for debenture stocks and shares of the South American Assets Co., Ltd., in accordance with the plan of reorganization dated Feb. 12 1920, which has become operative.—V. 110, p. 1641.

Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe Ry.—Government Loan.—

The Inter-State Commerce Commission has approved additional loans from the revolving fund of \$300,000,000 amounting to \$21,986,875 to the companies named below. The money will be used for the purchase of equipment for reconstruction work and for meeting of maturities as follows:
 Atchison Topeka & Santa Fe Ry. (for the purchase of equipment including 2,500 refrigerator cars) \$5,493,600
 Carolina Clinchfield & Ohio Ry. (to assist in financing immediately pressing maturities) 2,000,000
 Aransas Harbor Terminal Ry. (reconstruction of part of its line) 135,000
 Bangor & Aroostook Ry. (reconstruction work) 200,000
 Illinois Central RR. (for the purchase of equipment, including 1,000 refrigerator cars) 4,511,750
 Chicago Burlington & Quincy RR. (for additional equipment) 4,436,523
 Salt Lake & Utah RR. [additional] (for additional equipment) 235,100
 —V. 110, p. 2657.

Atlantic Coast Line RR.—History of System.—

"A History of the Atlantic Coast Line Railroads" is the title of a 200-page prize volume, prepared by Prof. Howard Douglas Dozier, Ph.D., of the University of Georgia, and published by Houghton, Mifflin & Co., Boston.—V. 109, p. 1526.

Augusta-Aiken Ry. & Elec. Corp.—Option for City Pur.

James U. Jackson, former V.-Pres., is of the opinion that the city would take a long step in the direction of progress if it should acquire the control of that company, and, through a commission named for the purpose, undertake to operate the railway and the power plant. Mr. Jackson says in part: "Appreciating the importance of bringing about such negotiation as would place the city in absolute control of the situation, I have secured an option on control of the stock of the company. This control will be 20,000 shares of Common, at \$10 per share, and 2,500 shares of Pref., at \$25 per share, making a total cost to the city of \$262,500. To duplicate the Augusta-Aiken property to-day at present prices for material and labor would cost \$10,000,000. If this amount was to be raised by a bond issue, the bonds to yield this amount of money would have to bear net less than 8%. The present outstanding bonds on the property—about \$6,000,000—bear 5%, equal to a saving of \$500,000 per annum."—V. 110, p. 2487.

Bangor & Aroostook Ry.—Government Loan.—

See Atchison Topeka & Santa Fe Ry. above.—V. 110, p. 2191.

Buffalo & Lake Erie Traction Co.—Suspends Line.—

Justice Wheeler in the Supreme Court at Buffalo, on the application of Geo. S. Bullock, receiver, on July 1 handed down a decision allowing the company to discontinue its lines within the State of New York, effective Sept. 15. The request of the company that it be allowed to dismantle the road is denied. The court directs that the receiver advertise for bids for the property in full or in part and to report such bids to the court on Sept. 1. The line between Fredonia and Dunkirk is excepted from the order. The court believes this section can be operated successfully.—V. 110, p. 2291.

Canadian National Rys.—To Dispose of Electric Lines in Ontario to Hydro-Electric Commission.—

Negotiations between Sir Adam Beck, Chairman of the Hydro-Electric Commission of Ontario, representing the municipalities, and Hon. J. D. Reid, Minister of Railways and Canals, representing the Dominion, have resulted in the Federal Government offering to dispose of all the electric lines of the Canadian National Railways system in Ontario to the municipally-owned hydro-radial enterprise. The conditions accepted by the Dominion Government are in accord with those submitted by Sir Adam Beck. They provide that the electric lines shall continue to be feeders of the national system, offer the opportunity of complete co-ordination of the two publicly-owned systems, and effect a sound business alliance between them.

The proposed terms and the roads to be taken over are:

(1) Toronto Eastern Ry. (V. 101, p. 1887).—Price, \$706,000, payable by Hydro-Power Commission 4½% 50-year bonds, guaranteed by the Province of Ontario.

(2) Toronto Suburban Ry. (V. 108, p. 685).—On this railway there are \$2,628,000 of outstanding 4½% bonds due 1961. This is to be taken over by the Hydro-Power Commission, and the Hydro-Power Commission to assume the bonds.

(3) Niagara St. Catharines & Toronto Ry. (V. 110, p. 1749).—Price for this railway to be \$3,511,374. On this road there are \$1,098,000 5% bonds due 1929. The Hydro-Power Commission will assume these bonds and give Hydro-Power Commission bonds guaranteed by the Province of Ontario 4½% 50-year bonds for the difference between \$1,098,000 and \$3,511,374.—V. 111, p. 188.

Carolina Clinchfield & Ohio Ry.—Government Loan.—

See Atchison Topeka & Santa Fe Ry. above.
 Norman S. Meldrum, Chairman of the Texas & Pacific and a member of the firm of Blair & Co., New York, has been elected President, succeeding Mark W. Potter.—V. 110, p. 2192.

Chicago Burlington & Quincy RR.—Govt. Loan.—

See Atchison Topeka & Santa Fe Ry. above.—V. 110, p. 2657.

Chicago & Eastern Illinois RR.—Report by Bondholders' Committee as to Reorganization Prospects.—

Henry Evans, as Chairman of the protective committee of holders of the 5% General Consolidated and First Mtge. bonds of 1887, in circular dated at 62 Cedar St., N. Y., July 1, addressing the depositors of said bonds, says in substance:

Rumors.—As misleading rumors have appeared regarding a reorganization, a brief report by your committee seems appropriate.

Foreclosure Proceedings.—In a creditors' action receivers were appointed May 27 1913, and in Nov. 1915, after default upon the interest on your bonds, the trustee under the mortgage called the principal due and payable and began foreclosure proceedings.

The trustee for the bonds of the Chicago & Indiana Coal Railway Co. claimed in such foreclosure that their mortgage was also a lien on the road of the Chicago & Eastern Illinois, which secures your bonds. This claim was vigorously opposed and the court decided against it. That decision was affirmed on appeal, and may be regarded as final.

Reorganization Delayed.—Federal Compensation Controversy.—During 1916-1917 your committee had under consideration with other committees a plan of reorganization which should have been satisfactory to the holders of the 5% bonds, but the entry of the United States into the war prevented the carrying out of that plan.

From Dec. 31 1917 until Feb. 29 1920 the United States was in possession of the railroad. The compensation which it must pay for the use of the road has been the subject of controversy. The amount offered, was, the court held, insufficient. The board of referees appointed by the Inter-State Commerce Commission reported that the compensation should be approximately \$4,450,000 per year—\$1,170,000 in excess of the offer. With this figure as a basis, the several committees representing securities of the Chicago & Eastern Illinois RR. Co. again considered a reorganization.

However, the Government refused to abide by that report, and further procedure with the reorganization had to be postponed. By order of court the receiver has filed a claim for compensation with the U. S. Court of Claims in which court, by the provisions of the U. S. statute, the report of the board of referees in prima facie evidence of the amount of just compensation and of the facts therein stated. The claim can hardly be determined before the end of the summer.

Cash Requirements.—\$6,000,000 of receivers' certificates are outstanding, and so much thereof as the court may allocate to your road must be paid or refunded in a reorganization.

The amount of cash available is, therefore, an important factor in the reorganization, and the difference between the claims of the Government and the receiver is so wide that the dispute must be settled before reorganization can proceed.

Greatly Improved Physical Conditions.—During the receivership the physical condition of the property was greatly improved. Under the receiver, there was expended during the years 1913-1917, inclusive, for reconstruction and improvement, \$31,020,878, which was charged to maintenance (as compared with \$18,456,175, the aggregate for the same lines of railroad during the preceding period of five years), and \$8,229,944 was expended and charged to additions and betterments.

As a result of these expenditures the road was enabled:

(a) To carry 10,488,274 tons of coal in 1917 and 11,391,967 tons of coal in 1918, whereas its capacity was strained in 1913 to carry 7,548,321 tons.

(b) To gain 3,027 good-order cars since July 1 1914.

(c) To increase its credit balance for equipment rents from \$254,028, the average amount thereof during the seven years preceding July 1 1914, to \$1,080,957 for the calendar year 1917.

On June 30 1914 the railroad had 71.19% of its cars in good condition, whereas on Dec. 31 1917 it had 87.96% of its cars in good condition.

The report of the referees also states that for the cal. year 1917 the railway operating revenue of the receiver was \$21,012,172, the railway operating expenses were \$16,398,363, and the annual railway operating income was \$4,408,030.

Basis of Plans Suggested.—Both the plans of reorganization considered by your committee contemplated the exclusion of the Chicago & Indiana Coal Ry. Co., the operation of which, it is believed, has been a drain on your railroad, and that you should receive 5% bonds of the same principal amount as your bonds and either bonds or cash for your unpaid interest.

Outlook.—The late strikes of coal miners and strikes of railroad men have affected the operations of the road, but we are reliably informed that your road is in physical condition to handle its business economically, and that with the settlement of the wage questions and the increase of rates which will be granted the railroads, the receiver expects the earnings of your road will be very satisfactory.—V. 111, p. 73.

Chicago Elevated Rys.—Fare Petition.—

Attorney Gilbert, counsel for Chicago Elevated Rys., at a hearing before the Illinois P. U. Commission stated that a 10-cent fare is necessary immediately in order to avert bankruptcy, and later probably a 12-cent fare will be necessary. He stated that if the present rate of 7½ cents continues there will be a deficit of \$2,300,000 by end of current year.—V. 110, p. 464

Chicago Great Western RR.—New Director.—

C. T. Jaffray, President of the First National Bank of Minneapolis, has been elected a director, succeeding the late John Washburn.—V. 110, p. 1972.

Chicago Rock Island & Pacific Ry.—Bond Application.

The company has filed a petition before the Illinois P. U. Commission asking for permission to issue bonds totaling \$1,500,000. The bonds are said to be needed to reimburse the treasury for amounts paid to the Government.—V. 110, p. 2657.

Chicago Surface Lines.—Bond Application.—

Application has been made by the Chicago Surface Lines to the Illinois P. U. Commission for permission to issue \$1,016,836 5% First Mtgc. bonds, due Feb. 1 1927.—V. 111, p. 73.

Cincinnati Lawrenceburg & Aurora Electric St. RR.

The Indiana P. S. Commission authorized the company, effective July 9, to increase its city fare from 5 cents to 7 cents, and to sell 8 tickets for 50 cents. It also authorized company to increase its passenger fare from Lawrenceburg to Aurora from 10 cents to 12 cents.—V. 111, p. 73.

City Ry., Dayton, O.—Fares and Wage Increases.—

After being shut down for 17 days owing to a strike of its employees, service was resumed on July 6. The men agreed to work at a sliding scale of pay from 58, 60 and 62 cents, for three, six and 12 months, respectively, pending award by an arbitration board. The new arbitration agreement also provides workmen's committees to confer with officials on daily grievances.

City Commissioners on July 6 agreed to pass an ordinance granting street car companies the right to charge a 7-cent fare, with 8 tickets for 50 cents, free transfer and a 4-cent half-fare. The increases affect the Dayton Street Ry., the City Railway, the Oakwood Street Ry., the Dayton Springfield & Xenia Southern Ry. and the People's Railway.—V. 110, p. 359.

Connecticut Co.—Jitney Regulation.—

The Bridgeport, Conn., Common Council on July 7 adopted an ordinance prohibiting jitney buses from using the central streets of the city, and outlining new routes for the buses. The Connecticut Co. had notified Mayor Wilson that it would discontinue service in Bridgeport on July 15 because of jitney competition, but Pres. Storrs has announced that trolley service will be continued 30 days to see whether the ordinance was effective.—V. 110, p. 2657.

Detroit Toledo & Ironton Co.—Purchased by Henry Ford.—The control of this road was taken over by Henry Ford on July 9 by the purchase for cash of approximately 97% of the Adjustment Mortgage bonds and the Preferred and Common stock. The price paid was \$600 for each \$1,000 bond, and \$5 and \$1 for each share of the Preferred and Common stock, respectively.

Fosburgh, Pratt & Osborn of New York, who negotiated the sale, in an announcement state:

"The management firm of Fosburgh, Pratt & Osborn announces the sale to Henry Ford of the Detroit Toledo & Ironton RR.

"This road underwent a drastic reorganization in 1914 when it was taken over by the First Mortgage bondholders of receivers' certificates. About \$1,000,000 of new money was then provided to improve the condition of the property. Frederick Osborn, of this firm, was retained by the larger security holders to represent them in the management of the property. Early this year it became evident that improvement of this road was a vital necessity to Detroit, and it was through the efforts of Mr. Osborn to raise capital for the road from the larger industries of Detroit that the sale to Henry Ford was brought about.

"Mr. Ford, for some time past, has been devoting much of his time to a fundamental study of the engineering and mechanical problems involved in railroading, and with the large means at his disposal and his own genius along lines of large production, interesting developments may well be looked for.

"For the immediate future a program of large purchases of heavy rails, ballasting, construction of cut-offs and elimination of grades has been adopted and will be put into effect at once, and the capital thus provided by the automobile industry for the development of this Detroit road will enormously relieve the serious rail congestion which has existed in Detroit for some years past."

It is stated that there will be no public offering in connection with the financing of the purchase of the road, although it is intimated that the purchasers may negotiate a loan for a brief period as they did in the case of the purchase of the minority interest in the Ford Motor Co.

It is also stated that all the employees of the Detroit Toledo & Ironton will share in the Ford bonus distributions. See V. 111, p. 188; V. 110, p. 2075.

Detroit United Ry.—Suits Dismissed.—

Judge Arthur J. Tuttle, of the U. S. District Court, has signed a decree dismissing the suits to enjoin the enforcement of the municipal street railway ordinance which were filed by the D. U. R. and the New York Trust Co. last May. (V. 110, p. 1748.)

Following a hearing on a motion by the city to dismiss the suits, Judge Tuttle ruled that while the ordinance adopted by referendum at the April election (V. 110, p. 1526) did not empower the city to purchase any of the D. U. R. lines, it was valid and operative for the construction of a municipal street railway system.—V. 111, p. 188.

East St. Louis & Suburban Co.—Wage Increase.—

The Arbitration Board appointed to settle wage disputes between the employees and the company has awarded the men increases ranging from 40% to 52%. All conductors and motormen will receive 70 cents an hour and for the working day of 9½ hours will receive \$6 65, with time and one-half for overtime. They had demanded \$7½ cents an hour and an 8-hour day. Conductors and motormen had been granted a sliding scale from 46 to 51 cents an hour by the War Labor Board. As a result the fare was advanced by permission of the Public Utilities Board from 5 to 6 cents.

Increases also were granted to shopmen from 48 cents an hour to 63 cents an hour. Extra men will be guaranteed \$80 to \$90 a month. President W. H. Sawyer, on hearing of the award, is quoted as saying: "I am shocked and really afraid to express myself at this time as to what the result of this wage award will mean to this community. Whether most radically increased fares can produce enough money to pay such wages is a very serious question."—V. 111, p. 188.

El Paso & Southwestern Co.—Annual Report.—

Corporate Income Account.		1919.	1918.
Gross income, incl. Fed. compens.,	\$4,135,114	\$5,599,094	\$6,791,706
Taxes, rentals and deductions		2,470,384	3,240,007
Dividends	(8%)	2,000,000	2,000,000
Surplus		\$1,128,710	\$1,551,699
Federal Operating Statement.		1919.	1918.
Operating revenue		\$12,761,391	\$14,790,468
Operating expenses		8,886,443	8,629,020
Net operating revenue		\$3,874,948	\$6,161,448

Grand Trunk Ry. of Canada.—Price Arbitration.—

William H. Taft has been appointed to represent the Grand Trunk Ry. system on the Board of Arbitration that is to determine the amount to be

paid by the Dominion Government for the stock of the corporation. The other members of the board are Sir Walter Cassels, Chief Judge of the Exchequer Court, who will be Chairman, and Sir Thomas White, representing the Canadian Government.—V. 111, p. 74.

Hornell (N. Y.) Traction Co.—Fare Increase.—

By order of the New York P. S. Commission fares have been increased to 8 cents on the city lines and 16 cents on Canistota line.—V. 105, p. 2272

Hudson & Manhattan R.R. (Hudson Tubes).—Fares.—

Further suspension from Aug. 2 to Sept. 1 of the operation of the tariffs providing for an increase in local fares between points on its lines in N. Y. City, Jersey City and Hoboken, N. J., was ordered on July 14 by the I.-S. C. Commission. The Commission previously suspended the proposed tariffs from April 4 to Aug. 2. The suspension does not affect certain increases permitted in April, although under investigation by the Commission. Increases proposed by the company of an uptown rate of 10 cents were specifically suspended.—V. 110, p. 2657.

Illinois Central RR.—Government Loan.—

See Atchison Topeka & Santa Fe Ry. above.—V. 111, p. 182.

Indianapolis Union Ry.—Decision.—

Judge John W. Peck of the U. S. District Court at Cincinnati on July 6 handed down his final order granting the petition of the Indianapolis Union Ry., the Cleve. Cine. Chic. & St. Louis, the Pitts. Cinc. Chic. & St. Louis and the Vandalia RR. companies to require the Cincinnati Indianapolis & Western RR. to assume the obligations of both the Indianapolis Decatur & Springfield Ry. and the Cincinnati Hamilton & Indianapolis Ry., under the contract of Sept. 20 1883, as amended Aug. 20 1906, for the use of the terminal facilities at Indianapolis.

The petition was filed in the foreclosure proceedings of the Equitable Trust Co. of New York, et al., vs. the C. I. & W. Ry., and was a result of an attempt of the railroad company, which was the purchase of the property of the railway company in this action, to reject that portion of the contract which gave to the Indianapolis Decatur & Springfield Ry. rights to the use of the terminal.

In passing on the case, Judge Peck held that the merger of the lines of the original signers of the contract made the Cincinnati Indianapolis & Western Ry., as successor to both lines, subject to the terms of the contract as to both, and that when the railroad company purchased under the decree of foreclosure it became bound in the same manner.

Exceptions to the order were noted by counsel for the railroad company.—V. 110, p. 167.

Interstate Consolidated Street Ry.—Fares.—

The company's tariff, increasing fares from 6 to 7 cents, has been suspended by the Mass. Department of Public Utilities and the company has filed a 5-cent fare schedule with plans for the formation of new zones which have been approved by the Commission.—V. 110, p. 1849.

Kentucky Traction & Terminal Co.—Fare Increase.—

Effective June 14, fares were increased from 6 to 7 cents on local lines and to a minimum fare of 7 cents on the interurban lines.—V. 110, p. 360.

Lexington Ave. & Pavonia Ferry RR.—Protective Comm.

See New York Railways below.

Long Island RR.—Annual Report.—

Corporation Income Account—		1919.	1918.
Tot. income, incl. Fed. compens. (\$3,221,948)		\$3,941,224	\$3,736,488
Rents, taxes, int., &c.		3,258,719	3,276,562
Net income		\$682,505	\$459,926
Federal Operating Account—		1919.	1918.
Total operating revenue		\$24,381,973	\$22,241,156
Net operating income		\$2,508,572	\$4,229,104

Municipal Service Co.—Notes Offered.—Baker, Ayling & Young, Boston, recently offered at 99¼ and int., netting 8.30%, \$650,000 3-Year 8% Coupon Notes. Circular shows:

Dated July 1 1920, due July 1 1923. Int. payable J. & J. Callable up to July 1 1921 at 102; up to July 1 1922 at 101; thereafter at par and int. Denom. \$1,000 (c*). Company agrees, so far as it legally may, to pay the normal Federal income tax up to 2%. Tax-free in Penn. and Mass. Philadelphia Trust Co., trustee.

Outstanding Capitalization.

Bonds	\$2,776,500	Preferred stock	\$1,465,000
Notes (this issue)	650,000	Common stock	810,000
Debentures	700,000		

Earnings Calendar Years and Year ending April 30 1920.

	1916.	1917.	1918.	1919.	1919-20.
Gross earnings	\$660,895	\$1,460,226	\$1,730,269	\$2,105,880	\$2,220,142
Oper. rev., after taxes & maint., incl. int. on sub. co. bonds					\$536,405
Bond interest and debenture interest					183,138
Balance available for note interest, amortization, &c.					353,266

Purpose.—To provide funds for additions and betterments and to refund the notes maturing this year.

Company.—Serves 16 communities in four States, furnishing principally light and power and some traction service in connection therewith; the receipts being about 75% from electric light and power and 25% from railway operation. Company serves a population of about 300,000. Valuation of the various properties is given by Day & Zimmermann, Inc., as \$7,100,000.—V. 109, p. 371.

Nashville Chattanooga & St. Louis Ry.—Bonds Listed.

The New York Stock Exchange has authorized the listing of \$1,250,000 additional First Consol. Mtgc. 5% bonds, due 1928, making the total amount applied for \$14,858,000. These bonds were issued to retire \$1,250,000 First Mtgc. 7% bonds, matured July 1 1913.

Income Account for Four Months ending April 30 1920.

Operating revenues	\$3,618,032	Non-operating income	\$1,053,427
Expenses and taxes	3,451,437	Gross income	1,220,022
Operating income	166,595	Int. & other charges	696,489
Net income			\$523,533

National Properties Co.—Syndicate Managers.—

The managers of the underwriting syndicate mentioned last week are John J. Henderson, E. Clarence Miller and Lewis L. Dunham. See plan. V. 111, p. 189.

New York Railways.—Committee for Underlying Bonds.—

Wage Increase—Subsidiary Company Franchise Abandonment.—Default having been made in the payment of the interest falling due March 1 1920 on the \$5,000,000 Lexington Ave. & Pavonia Ferry RR. 1st M. 5s, dated Aug. 24 1893, the committee named below, at the request of the holders of a large amount of said bonds, have consented to act as a bondholders' protective committee.

The committee invites the holders of said bonds to deposit the same, accompanied with the coupons falling due March 1 1920, and all subsequent coupons, on or before Sept. 3 1920, with Central Union Trust Co. of N. Y., No. 80 Broadway, N. Y. City, as depository.

Committee.—F. J. Fuller, V.-Pres. of Central Union Trust Co. of N. Y.; A. R. Horr, V.-Pres. of Equitable Life Assur. Society of the U. S.; Reginald Foster, Gen. Counsel, New England Mutual Life Insur. Co., Boston, with Alexander & Green, counsel, 120 Broadway, N. Y., and Charles E. Sigler, Sec., 80 Broadway, N. Y. City.

All employees have been granted a 10% advance in wages, effective July 18.

Under the new agreement, which has been approved by Judge Mayer, a maximum pay of 67 cents an hour is established for motormen and conductors, beginning with their tenth year of service. New men are to get 57 cents an hour. The receiver is permitted to hire men at other than the scale fixed, provided no old men are discharged to make way for newcomers.

Job E. Hedges, receiver, said that a raise in street car fares is now imperative, as the payroll will be increased \$500,000.

See also Twenty-Third Street Ry. below.—V. 111, p. 74, 189.

Niagara St. Cath. & Toronto Ry.—Municipal Oper.—

See Canadian National Railways above.—V. 110, p. 1749.

Norfolk & Western Ry.—Application Approved.—

The I.-S. C. Commission has approved the application of the company for authority to continue the issuance of Common stock in exchange for and against the surrender and cancellation of an equal amount in par value of convertible bonds as follows: (a) \$13,300,000 stock in exchange for the convertible 10-20-yr. 4% gold bonds payable Sept. 1 1932. (b) \$18,353,000 stock in exchange for the convertible 10-25-yr. 4½% gold bonds payable Sept. 1 1938. (c) \$17,945,000 stock in exchange for the convertible 10-yr. 6% gold bonds payable Sept. 1 1929.—V. 110, p. 1973.

Philadelphia Rapid Transit Co.—No Action on Divs.—

"The Phila. News Bureau" on July 12 said: "No meeting of the directors to act on the 2½% semi-annual dividend, payable July 31 has yet been held, and according to unofficial report action on the dividend may not be taken for a week or more, in view of the forthcoming P. S. Commission fare decision, which may have an important bearing on the dividend policy."—V. 111, p. 74.

Pittsburgh Cincinnati Chic. & St. L. RR.—New Bonds.

The Pennsylvania Co. has given notice that it is now prepared to issue temporary 5% bonds under the new 50-year General Mortgage (V. 110, p. 1290, 2292) in exchange for certificates of deposit of Panhandle stock. Bonds will carry a coupon due Dec. 1 1920, for five months' interest. Holders of certificates of deposit of stock, who are entitled to receive their dividend payable July 26, are requested to present their certificates for exchange for bonds promptly on the date set. Compare V. 110, p. 1188, 1290, 1974, 2193, 2292.

Pittsburgh Rys.—Fare Increase Not Effective.—

The proposed increase in fares from 7½ cents to 8 1-3 cents which was to go into effect July 14 did not go into effect, the P. S. Commission having failed to give its consent to the increase.—V. 111, p. 74; V. 110, p. 2658.

Puebla Tramway Light & Pow. Co.—Deferred Interest.

The bondholders' meeting scheduled for June 15 to vote on certain provisions on the deferred interest has been postponed to July 30. See V. 110, p. 2292.

Rapid Transit in New York City.—

Mayor Hylan in a letter to the Board of Estimate proposes "for the city to enter into an agreement with an operator to cover the entire city (under the present law the operator must be a corporation) to purchase and operate buses under the strictest municipal regulation and supervision." The Board of Estimate has set a public hearing on the proposition for July 21.

Public Service Commissioner Lewis Nixon has stated that under the decision of the Court of Appeals the Commission has jurisdiction to change the established rate of fare on at least 24 trolley lines within the city (see list in New York "Times" of July 14).

The Board of Estimate has approved the expenditure without public letting of \$300,000 to be raised by corporate stock and which is to be used for the installation of a municipally operated trolley line over the Williamsburgh Bridge. This line is now operated by the Bridge Operating Co., which is jointly owned by the New York Railways Co. and the B. R. T system.—V. 111, p. 190.

Richmond Light & RR.—Court Stops City Seizure.—

Federal Judge Chatfield on July 14 refused to grant the application of John J. Kuhn, receiver of the company, for an order restraining the Board of Estimate from declaring the franchise of the company forfeited and taking possession of the property for municipal operation. The ground of the Court's refusal was that the city was without power to take possession of property in control of the Federal Court, and that therefore the restraining order asked for was unnecessary.

In his decision Judge Chatfield said: "The Court of Appeals seems to hold that the action of the Board of Estimate in declaring, by the passage of a resolution, that a charter has been forfeited is acting in a legislative nature.

"The decision of the Circuit Court of Appeals is controlling over the present application in this respect, and it must be held that this court has no authority to determine whether the passage of a resolution forfeiting a charter is purely an executive act like the cancelling of a contract by a single official involving possible judicial determination.

"The court, therefore, cannot grant the motion to enjoin the Board of Estimate from considering and passing a resolution declaring the franchise forfeited and the temporary injunction order must be vacated.

"No individual employee or agent of the city, even if a resolution of forfeiture should be adopted, can proceed to interfere with the operation of the receivers before this court has an opportunity to pass upon the validity of the resolution in question.

"Under the circumstances the restraining order should be continued and the injunction applied for granted to the extent of specifically forbidding any physical interference with the operation of the receiver or any attempted action under or enforcement of the resolution declaring the franchises forfeited, if the threatened action be taken, until application has been made to this court for an order vacating the injunction forbidding such action."—V. 110, p. 2658.

St. Paul Union Depot Co.—Notes Sold.—A syndicate composed of J. P. Morgan & Co., Kuhn, Loeb & Co., First National Bank and National City Co., this week sold privately an issue of \$1,500,000 3½-yr. 7% notes, due Dec. 15 '23.

The notes are guaranteed by the nine railroads which jointly own and use the depot. These roads are the Northern Pacific; Chicago Milwaukee & St. Paul; Great Northern; Chicago St. Paul Minneapolis & Omaha; Chicago Great Western; Chicago Burlington & Quincy; Minneapolis St. Paul & Sault Ste. Marie; Minneapolis & St. Louis, and Chicago Rock Isl. & Pac.

The proceeds from the sale of the securities, it is stated, will be used to complete the new \$10,000,000 terminal which is being erected at St. Paul.—V. 110, p. 2293.

Salt Lake & Utah RR.—Additional Government Loan.—

Srr Atchison Topeka & Santa Fe Ry. above.—V. 110, p. 2388.

Savannah (Ga.) Electric Co.—Suspension Approved.—

The company's petition to abandon service on the Whitaker St. line in Savannah has been granted by the Georgia RR. Comm.—V. 111, p. 190.

Scranton (Pa.) Railway.—Wage Increase.—

Under the award of the majority of the arbitrators chosen to pass on the wages and other working conditions, the maximum scale of pay for trainmen is fixed at 60 cents an hour, an increase of 20%. The mechanical workers have been awarded a 12% advance.—V. 111, p. 74.

Shore Line Electric Ry. (Conn.).—Appraisal.—

An appraisal of the property by William R. Dunham Jr. and Shepherd B. Palmer, filed with the Superior Court in Norwich recently by receiver Robert W. Perkins, shows a valuation of \$1,907,766 (mostly on scrap basis):
 New Haven via Guilford and Saybrook to Chester (scrap).....\$356,447
 Ferry Road Junction via Flanders to Crescent Beach (scrap).... 89,732
 Saybrook Power House (scrap)..... 47,787
 Flanders Corner to New London (scrap), \$301,779..... 71,991
 Norwich to Hallville (scrap), \$214,854..... 41,700
 Fort Point Branch (scrap), \$20,463..... 3,807
 Hallville to State Line (scrap)..... 104,662
 Westerly to Groton (reproduction basis)..... 784,056
 Old Mystic Line (reproduction basis)..... 78,867
 Groton-Stonington cars..... 61,400
 Other cars, not included above..... 147,600
 Material and supplies, real estate, &c..... 119,717

Where properties were not being operated and where petitions for abandonment of service were before the court the appraisal was made at scrap value. Where these properties were still being operated, with reasonable expectation of operations being continued, the properties were also appraised on the basis of reproduction cost less depreciation. It is the belief of the appraisers that where the two values are given the property may be made to realize a value somewhere between these two extremes. ("Electric Railway Journal.")—V. 110, p. 2568.

Southern Pacific Co.—Application Denied.—

Upon the application of company to operate Atlantic steamship lines between N. Y. City and Port Arthur, Sabine Pass, Texas City, Houston and other Texas ports, and between Portland, Me., Boston, Fall River, New Bedford, Mass., Providence, R. I., Philadelphia, Baltimore, New

Orleans, Galveston, and other Atlantic and Gulf ports, the Inter-State Com. Commission on July 9 decided that such service is not in the interest of the public. It was held that a grant of the application would exclude or prevent competition between rail carrier and boat lines.—V. 110, p. 2653.

Springfield (Mass.) Street Ry.—Bonds Authorized.—

The Mass. Department of Public Utilities has authorized the company to issue \$2,964,000 20-year 7% bonds. Of this amount \$2,230,000 will be used for the retiring or refunding of bonds coming due within the next few years. The remainder of the proceeds will be devoted to additions and betterments, except for the payment of \$75,000 already borrowed to pay off bonds of the Woronoco Street Ry.—V. 110, p. 1850.

Staten Island Midland RR.—City Votes \$300,000 in Special Revenue Bonds to Buy and Operate Trolley Cars.—

The Board of Aldermen has sanctioned the application of Commissioner Grover Whalen for an appropriation of \$300,000, to be raised by an issue of special revenue bonds, for the purchase of trolley cars to be used on the lines of the company, and wherever else an emergency exists. The Midland is also in the hands of a Federal receiver, and is therefore immune from seizure by the city under Judge Chatfield's ruling. (See Richmond Light & RR. above.)

Of the \$300,000, \$200,000 will be for cars, \$10,000 for the purchase of parts, \$40,000 for the erection of a barn, \$30,000 for the rail connection with the barn, and the remainder for repairs and miscellaneous expenses.—V. 111, p. 74.

Syracuse & Suburban RR.—Fare Increase.—

The New York P. S. Commission on July 6 authorized the company to charge for the balance of the year 3.6 cents a mile for cash fares, 3.1 cents for ticket fare, 2.4 cents for mileage book rates, with a minimum fare of 7 cts. for each class, and 1.8 cts. for commutation rates.

The order further provides that after Jan. 1 1921 fares shall be at the rate of 3.5 cents a mile for cash fares, 3 cents for ticket fares, 2.3 cents for mileage book rates, with a minimum fare of 7 cents for all classes, and 1.7 cents for commutation rates.

Present fare rates are Cash, 3 cents a mile; ticket, 2½ cents; mileage rate, 2 cents, and commutation rate, 1.5 cents.—V. 110, p. 2193.

Toledo Terminal RR.—Compensation.—

The board of referees of the I.-S. C. Commission has awarded the company \$252,999 annual compensation for the period the road was under Government control. The road had asked annual compensation of \$412,601.—V. 110, p. 1291.

Toledo & Western RR.—Protective Committee.—

The following protective committee has been appointed to protect the holders of the \$1,250,000 First Mortgage bonds, due 1926.

Willard F. Robison of Robison Realty Co., Chairman; Marion M. Miller, Home Savings Bank Co.; Samuel R. Dority, Citizens' Safe Deposit & Trust Co.; Frank P. Kennison, Ohio Savings Bank & Trust Co.; LeRoy E. Eastman, Secretary and counsel. Citizens' Safe Deposit & Trust Co., depository. See V. 111, p. 74.

Toronto Eastern Ry.—Municipal Ownership.—

See Canadian National Rys. above.—V. 101, p. 1887.

Toronto Suburban Ry.—Municipal Ownership.—

See Canadian National Rys. above.—V. 108, p. 685.

Tri-City Railway & Light Co.—Wage Increase.—

A majority of a board of arbitration has favored a wage increase of 16 2-3%, or 10 cents an hour for the Tri-City Ry. of Davenport, motormen and conductors. The new scale calls for 60 cents the first six months, 65 the second six months, and 70 cents thereafter. The old scale was 54, 57 and 60 cents an hour. The company intends to ask the Illinois P. U. Commission for an increase in fares to offset this increase.—V. 110, p. 2568.

Twenty-Third St. Ry., N. Y.—Franchise Abandonment.—

Stockholders will vote Aug. 10 upon a declaration of abandonment of routes adopted by the directors at a meeting held July 7, abandoning the right, privilege and franchises of this company to construct, maintain and operate a street surface railway in, upon and along Second Ave. from 23d St. to 29th St. and in 28th St. between First and Second Aves. and in 29th St. between First and Second Aves., and in First Ave. between 28th St. and 34th St., New York City.—V. 111, p. 74.

Twin City Rapid Transit Co.—Strike Averted.—

A strike of the employees to enforce an increase in wages, and scheduled for July 1, was averted through the intervention of business men. A board of arbitration has been appointed to inquire into the men's demands for higher wages and to consider the company's claims for higher fares.—V. 110 p. 2193.

(The) United Railways & Elec. Co. of Baltimore.—

Earnings.—Secretary William Early has favored the "Chronicle" with the following interesting statement covering the operations from Jan. 1 to May 31 1919 and 1920, saying:

Effective Jan. 1 1920 a fare of 7 cts. was authorized by the Public Service Commission of Maryland, and the enclosed comparison is made with a 6 ct. fare, which was operative from Jan. 1 to Sept. 30 1919, after which date to Dec. 31 1919 a 6½ ct. fare was in effect.

Earnings for Five Months to May 31 with 6 ct. Fare in 1919, 7 Cts. 1920.		1920.		1919.	
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Passenger revenue.....	6,971,125	5,709,060	Operating income.....	1,676,810	1,348,247
Other revenue.....	59,052	47,062	Non-oper. income.....	22,034	9,585
Total.....	7,030,177	5,756,122	Gross income.....	1,698,853	1,357,832
Oper. Exp. & Taxes—			Fixed charges.....	1,359,943	1,323,181
Way and structures.....	409,625	268,849	Net income.....	338,910	34,651
Equipment.....	461,249	348,600	Oper. Statistics—		
Power.....	505,433	478,077	Car miles.....	15,049,393	14,447,423
Conducting transp.....	2,233,387	1,906,715	Rev. passengers.....	103,114,440	96,897,586
Traffic.....	5,863	10,007	Transfer pass'gers.....	37,254,119	33,863,386
General & miscel.....	658,414	493,664	Per car mile:		
Depreciation.....	351,509	287,806	Rev. pass'gers.....	6 85	6.71
Taxes.....	727,877	614,157	Maint. cost.....	.0594	.0144
Total.....	5,353,357	4,407,875	Deprec. cost.....	.0234	.0199

The company has issued a pamphlet entitled "Memoranda for Security Owners," together with letter of President Emmons.—V. 111, p. 75.

United Rys. of St. Louis.—Receiver's Cts. Authorized.—

Federal Judge Farris has authorized Rolla Wells, receiver, to issue 7% receiver's certificates totaling \$4,200,000 to provide for payment of \$1,948,000 St. Louis RR. 4½% bonds, due May 1 last, and \$2,300,000 receiver's certificates due Sept. 2 1920. See V. 110, p. 1974, 2188.

Wash. Balt. & Annapolis Elec. RR.—Dividends.—

The directors announced on June 23 that the Common dividend was reduced from 1½% to 1% quarterly. Compare V. 110, p. 1291, 1189.

Washington-Virginia Ry.—Protective Committee, &c.—

The "Washington Post" of July 15 stated that "in addition to the bonded indebtedness, the Washington-Virginia has outstanding \$1,400,000 of short-term notes, which mature Jan. 1 1922. These notes are held largely by Washington, Baltimore and Philadelphia bankers. When it was learned several weeks ago that interest on the underlying bonds could not be paid, the noteholders formed a protective committee, made up of R. Golden Donaldson, Chairman of the Board of the Commercial National Bank, Clarence P. Norment, Pres. of the National Bank of Washington, Van Lacer Black, Vice-Pres. of the Fidelity Trust Co. of Balt., Joseph Wayne Jr., Pres. of the Girard National Bank of Phila., Howard S. Graham, of Graham, Parsons & Co., Phila. [The "Post" states that the interest on the several issues of Washington Arlington & Falls Church bonds as well as the interest on the Washington Alexandria & Mt. Vernon 5s is overdue.]—V. 110, p. 1850.

Western Maryland Ry.—Asks Permission to Issue \$6,000,000 Notes.—The company has applied to the I.-S. C. Commission for permission to issue \$6,000,000 notes to

used to retire obligations totaling \$6,000,000, which mature this year. viz.: \$1,000,000 First Mtge. 5% bonds of Coal & Iron Ry., due Aug. 1, and \$5,000,000 3-year 7% secured notes of Western Maryland Ry. due Nov. 1.

The notes will be 7 1/2% convertible notes, dated Aug. 1, maturing Aug. 1, 1925, and redeemable, all, but not in part, at 101 and int. To be secured by the deposit and pledge with trustee of \$8,571,000 of 1st & Ref. Mtge. 5% bonds of the company. To be convertible at any time prior to maturity or call for redemption into deposited First & Ref. Mtge. 5% bonds.

In its application the company says: "The company has endeavored to procure through the instrumentality of private banks and bankers, an adequate cash underwriting to meet its financial necessities in this respect, but, owing not only to the financial conditions now prevailing and affecting other railroad companies, but also to the peculiar facts and circumstances with regard to the operation and utilization of its property during the period of Federal control, resulting in an abnormal situation which, though in process of readjustment, has not yet been fully corrected, the company is not able at present time to make such financial provision."—V. 110, p. 1416.

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Aetna Explosives Co., N. Y.—Proposed to Change No Par Value Common Shares to \$50 Par Value—New Director, &c.—

Samuel Strasburger has been elected a director, succeeding George C. Holt. The stockholders on July 8 voted to increase the board from 9 to 11 members, but did not elect the two additional directors.

The stockholders also recommended that the directors take steps to list the Common stock on the New York Stock Exchange and to change the Common shares from no par value to \$50 par.—V. 110, p. 2568.

Alabama Power Co.—Offers Pref. Stock—Report.—

The company is offering \$1,000,000 7% Cum. Pref. stock to its customers and employees. The proceeds will be used for development and extension. Terms of payment: (a) on cash basis: As many shares as are desired or the company may have to offer at \$93 and div. (b) on partial payment: Any number of shares, up to 25, paying \$5 per share down and \$5 per share each month until the purchase price is paid.

Should partial payment purchasers at any time desire to withdraw before completing their purchase, money paid in can be withdrawn in full with int. at 6% upon ten days' notice. Div. Q.-J. See Alabama Traction, Light & Power Co. under "Reports" above, and compare V. 110, p. 1350.

American Bosch Magneto Corp.—Listing—Earnings.—

The N. Y. Stock Exchange has authorized the listing, on and after July 15, of 16,000 additional shares of capital stock, no par value, on official notice of issuance, as a 20% stock dividend, payable July 15 to holders of record July 1, making a total amount applied for of 96,000 shares.

Income account for five months ending May 31 1920 shows: Gross sales, \$4,519,059; net sales, \$4,449,503; operating profit, \$1,359,335; manufacturing profit, \$933,163; reserve for 1920 Federal taxes, \$230,300; Dividend paid April 1 1920, \$200,000; balance, surplus, \$502,863.

Output of magnetos for the five months ending May 31 was 180,098. Orders on hand for the same period were \$7,056,833.—V. 111, p. 75, 190.

Amer. Brake Shoe & Foundry Co.—Listing—Earnings.—

The New York Stock Exchange has authorized the listing of temporary certificates for \$4,600,000 (auth. \$10,000,000) of new 7% Cum. Pref. stock, par \$100, on official notice of issuance, in exchange for 46,000 shares of the present outstanding Common stock, and temporary certificates for \$5,000,000 of the new Pref. stock and for 150,000 shares (auth. 400,000 shares) of new Common stock, no par value, on official notice of issuance, in exchange for 50,000 shares of the present outstanding Pref. stock; with authority to add 10,000 additional shares of Common stock, on official notice of issuance to employees, making the total amount applied for \$9,600,000 Pref. stock and 160,000 shares of Common stock. The stockholders voted July 1 to readjust the capital stock as per plan in V. 110, p. 2293.

Consolidated income account, quarter ended Mar. 31 1920: Earning from operations of plants, after deducting manufacturing, administrative and selling expenses and depreciation of plants and equipment, and including other net income (\$19,091), \$707,913; Dividends received from other companies, \$43,725; interest (net), \$57,038; total income \$808,696. Deduct interest on bonds, \$5,019; Federal taxes for 1920 (est.), \$179,281; Preferred divs., \$148,146; Common divs., \$77,922; balance, surplus, \$226,068. Dividends paid by subsidiary companies on stock not owned by company, \$1,227; surplus for the quarter, \$397,099.—V. 111, p. 75.

American Chain Co., Inc.—Recapitalization Approved.—

The stockholders on July 9 approved the plan providing for an increase in the authorized Preferred stock from \$5,000,000 (par \$100) to \$10,000,000 (par \$100) for the issuance of new stock to be known as Class "A" and Class "B," aggregating \$5,000,000 (par \$100), and also for the issuance of 150,000 shares of Common stock without nominal or par value in place of the present authorized Common, consisting of 50,000 shares (par \$100). Compare V. 111, p. 190.

American Chiclé Co.—Stock Offering—Status and Outlook.

Hornblower & Weeks, White, Weld & Co. and Low, Dixon & Co. are offering by advertisement on another page a limited amount of the 82,500 shares of new Common stock at \$40 a share. The bankers report in substance:

Since the present management took control in March 1916, the gross business of the company has been increased over 350% and the earnings available for Common stock over 250%, compared with 1915. The net earnings follow:

Net Earnings Available for Common Stock (now increased to 162,500 shares)
[Net after all taxes, interest charges and Preferred dividends.]
Year ended Dec. 31 1919.....\$1,419,745 \$8 73 | Per share on
Average for last ten years..... 1,082,393 6 66 | 162,500 shares

Relief from special taxes and the extraordinary cost of sugar will, it is expected, result in still larger earnings. With the exception of two years the company has paid dividends since 1902. The recent rate has been \$4 per share per annum, and the company states that it intends to continue dividends on the increased capitalization at this rate.

Statement by President Darwin R. James Regarding Benefits to Chewing Gum Industry from Improving Mexican Situation.

Disturbed political conditions in Mexico in the past have been a factor in the adoption by the company of a policy of turning more and more to Guatemala, Honduras, Venezuela, &c., for chiclé. More than half of this material used by the company is now obtained from these States.

With improvement in Mexico, that country is again likely to become the chief source of supply as settled political conditions will benefit production of raw material and its collection and transport, with advantage to the chewing-gum industry.

The size of the interests involved may be gathered from the fact that sales of chewing gum amount to \$100,000,000 a year and 9,000,000 pounds of raw chiclé are used in the manufacture of the gum.

The chiclé situation is, however, well in hand in Central America. In British Honduras, for instance, the company had been buying at quoted prices from the producer, itself paying the Government tax. This policy was changed, and we offered a fixed price at the port, taxes paid. The producers, compelled to pay the Government duty, started an agitation for its reduction. The result was a drop on the price of raw chiclé from about 75 cents to 55 cents a pound.

The chewing-gum market, it may be noted, has benefited markedly through the war, which helped among other things to popularize the habit of chewing gum in European countries. In France, it is said, for instance, that the first words learned by the French children from the American soldiers were the words "Chewing gum." In Paris the shops are now regularly carrying chewing gum where before the war they carried none.

The high price of candy has resulted furthermore in increasing the demand for chewing gum, which has maintained its low pre-war price without decreasing the size of the package. Prohibition, of course, is a strong factor in increasing consumption. We have thus found that the demand has increased more rapidly in the last three years than in any previous three years in the history of the company.

To meet the conditions the American Chiclé Co. has just completed a new plant at Long Island City with a capacity of 30,000,000 sticks of chewing gum per day. Its operation at full capacity is expected to effect a saving of from 2c. to 4c. a box in manufacturing cost. See also V. 110, p. 2569 V. 111, p. 75.

American Home Furnishers Corp.—Pref. Stock Offering.—Hambleton & Co., Baltimore, and Trust Co. of Norfolk (Va.) are offering, at 97 1/2 and div., yielding 8.20%, \$1,500,000 8% Convertible Pref. stock.

Divs. Q.-J. Red., all or part, after 3 years, on any div. date on 60 days notice, at 110 and div. Conv. share for share at the option of the holder into Class "A" Common stock at any time prior to July 1 1927, unless sooner called for redemption. Class "A" Common stock participates equally with Class "B" Common stock as to dividends and assets, and in event corporation fails to pay a minimum div. of \$5 per share in any one year, it will have equal voting power. Commencing with July 1 1920, an annual sinking fund for the retirement of the Pref. stock out of net profits is provided, amounting to 20% of the net earnings, after Pref. divs. and Federal taxes. Minimum amount in any one year is to be not less than \$100,000, payable quarterly.

Data from Letter of President Harry Levy, Dated July 2 1920.

Company.—To be incorp. in Virginia and will acquire the business, goodwill, &c., of Phillip Levy & Co., Inc.; American Home Furnishers Corp., American Cabinet Mfg. Corp. and all the stock of the Granby Phonograph Corp. The two first named companies are credited with doing the largest retail furniture business in the South, with branches in Baltimore, Md., Richmond, Norfolk, Newport News, Roanoke, Suffolk and Franklin, Va., and Savannah, Ga.

Capital'n, after Present Financing (No Bonds)— Authorized. Issued.
8% Convertible Preferred stock.....\$1,500,000 \$1,500,000
Class "A" Common stock (no par value) with qualified voting powers reserved for conversion of Pref. stock.....15,000 shs.
Class "B" Common stock (no par value).....30,000 shs. 30,000 shs.

Purpose.—Proceeds will be used to provide additional working capital required by expansion of business and for other corporate purposes.

Earnings.—Annual net earnings after taxes for the 3 years ended Dec. 31 1919 of the combined companies have averaged over three times dividend requirements on the total authorized issue of Pref. stock, while for 1919 they were \$608,807. Net earnings after taxes for 1920 are estimated to be in excess of \$750,000.

American Linseed Co.—Negotiating for Sale to British.

Strong financial interests connected with the company are reported to be negotiating with a British syndicate for the sale of a large interest in the company. The British syndicate, it is stated, is headed by Lord Leverholme, who is President of the Lever Co., of England.

It is stated that the probable outcome of the negotiations will be the merging of the American Linseed Co. and the Lever Co. and the formation of a holding company, stockholders of the two companies to be given the right to exchange their holdings for stock in the new company. Stockholders who will not want to exchange their holdings, it is stated, will be given the right to surrender their stock at par.

The Lever Co. carries on the same business as does the American company, and a merger of these two companies would give them practical control of the world's market.—V. 111, p. 191.

American Railway Express Co., Inc.—Increased Express Rates and the Reasons for Them.—

To enable it to continue in business at a time of unusual transportation difficulties, the company recently filed a petition with the Inter-State Commerce Commission, asking permission to put into effect a new and higher scale of express rates. The proposal is now being considered by the Commission. Under the Transportation Act, the Government guarantees the express carrier against an operating deficit until Aug. 31 of this year, and after that date this company must trust to its own resources to finance its operations. An official circular says in substance:

For the calendar year 1919, when the American Railway Express Co. acted as the agent for the Director of Railroads, U. S. Railroad Administration, there was an operating deficit for the 12 months of \$25,105,946 (see V. 110, p. 2289). This deficit was met by the Government, under the original contract between the express carrier and the Administration.

The operating deficit for the remainder of the period of guaranty (i. e., 8 months ending Aug. 31 1920) will, according to present indications, exceed \$18,000,000—a loss which no private enterprise could of itself successfully withstand.

The proposed general increase in express rates averages 25.32%, which, if general conditions are favorable, will enable the carrier to earn a return not exceeding 6% on the actual value of the property devoted to the express business. This, it is hoped, will make the express business sufficiently attractive to investors, that further capital may be obtained for the purchase of additional equipment needed to handle the greatly increased volume of traffic that has been thrust upon express channels in recent years. At least 1,000,000 shipments are handled by express in the United States each day.

[Representatives of the four express companies, the American Express Co., the Southern Express Co., the Wells-Fargo Express Co., and the Adams Express Co., have made application to the I.-S. C. Commission for a formal order approving the continuance of the consolidation, as the American Railway Express Co. Separate operation of the companies, on the former basis of operations, it was said, is impossible, because of the increase in expenses and other factors which make the dissolution of the consolidation unwise. It is stated that the express companies at the present time need \$31,000,000 to carry on their business.]—V. 110, p. 2289.

American Tobacco Co.—75% Stock Dividend.—

The Committee on Securities of the New York Stock Exchange has ruled Common "B" stock be not quoted ex 75% stock dividend until Aug. 2.

It is understood that G. J. Whelan, Pres. of United Retail Stores Corp., and Thomas F. Ryan, who are on their way to Europe, are representing a group of American tobacco manufacturers and retailers who are endeavoring to purchase the tobacco monopoly of France or be appointed its managers. Negotiations, it is understood, have reached a very delicate stage. The tobacco men, it is said, have arranged their financing, and all that remains to complete the deal is the assent of the French Government. Official statements of details have been withheld, but it is understood that the French Government has been offered about \$400,000,000 as the purchase price, in addition to which there would be a division of profits.—V. 111, p. 75.

American Telephone & Telegraph Co.—Official Circular—Earnings, &c.—President H. B. Thayer, in a circular letter to stockholders, says in substance:

Death of Mr. Vail.—I have the sad duty of noting officially the death of Mr. Vail, who has guided the destinies of the company during the past ten or more years. For some months before his death his active interest in the business was in so arranging that the operations of the company might proceed with the least interruption in the event of his being unable to continue their direction. No words from me are necessary to impress upon you the value of his services to the company and through the company to the nation.

Settlement with U. S. Government.—The company has recently received in full from the U. S. Treasury the balance due the Bell System for operations under Federal control, in accordance with the settlement set forth in the annual report.

New Business.—Adjustment to conditions following the war is proceeding more rapidly than we would have dared to hope.

Since Jan. 1 the Bell System has already added over 308,000 stations. This is a new high record and in addition there are over 200,000 unfilled orders for station installations in excess of normal. These stations are being installed as rapidly as possible in view of the present difficulties of production and transportation. Provided materials can be obtained and installed, present indications are that this year will show the greatest growth in business in the history of the Bell System.

Earnings.—You will note from the following earnings report that our earnings are well in excess of our accustomed dividend rate of 8%. Comparison of the six months' results with those for the same period last year are not shown, as properties were then under Federal control. For the six months ending June 30 1917 the period just prior to Federal control, the balance after dividends was \$3,756,100, as compared with \$8,646,320 for the six months ending June 30 1920, as shown below.

Earnings Report for Six Months ending June 30, 1920, One Month Est.
—Also 3 Months Ended March 31 1920 (One Month Est.) Inserted by Ed.

	Six Months.	1st Quar.
Dividends	\$17,897,835	\$8,570,214
Interest and other revenues	14,531,282	7,221,899
Telephone traffic (net)	8,450,663	4,348,315
Total	\$40,379,781	\$20,140,428
Expenses, incl. prov. for Fed. & other taxes	4,644,627	2,340,138
Interest charges	9,406,491	4,747,845
Deduct dividends (at 8% per ann.)	(4%) 17,682,343	(2) 8,839,873

Balance, surplus \$8,646,320 \$4,212,572
Outlook—Rates.—Rate increases already established and those confidently expected will enable our associated companies to continue to pay wages which will attract the highest grade of workers and will furnish such earnings as will continue this company's shares as an investment security. We are warranted in looking forward to the future with confidence.—V. 110, p. 2389.

American Woolen Co.—50% of Subscriptions Called.
 The syndicate managers of the \$20,000,000 new Common stock underwriting have notified participants that 50% of their subscription is due to be paid on July 21 and the balance on Aug. 6.
 The Boston Stock Exchange on July 9 authorized for the list, as the same are issued and paid for, 200,000 additional shares (par \$100) Common stock, making the total number authorized for the list 400,000.—V. 111, p. 191.

Arkansas Natural Gas Co.—Preferred Stock Called.
 The company has called all of its \$2,365,000 outstanding Preferred Participating stock for redemption on Aug. 2 at the office, 1612 Benedum-Trees Bldg., Pittsburgh, Pa., at 110% of the par value. Dividends on said stock will cease Aug. 2. See V. 110, p. 1851, 2077.
 The "Wyoming Oil News" of July 10, reports that the Arkansas Natural Gas Co. has recently begun operating in Fallon and Carter Counties, Montana. The Company, it is stated, has a drill in use on Beaver Creek 10 miles North of Ekalaka, gas being expected at a depth of about 2,000 feet and oil at a depth of 4,000 feet.—V. 110, p. 2389.

Arlington (Mass.) Gas Light Co.—Gas Rate Increase.
 The Mass. Department of Public Utilities has granted the company an increase in the price of gas sold after July 1 1920 from \$1 25 to \$1 70 net per 1,000 cu. ft.—V. 106, p. 2231.

Armour & Co., Chicago.—Notes Oversubscribed.
 The \$60,000,000 7% Ten-year Convertible notes which were offered for subscription in the latter part of last week, were largely oversubscribed. Compare V. 111, p. 191.

Arundel Corporation.—Contract.
 The company, it is stated, has received a contract to build more than 100 miles of canals in the Everglades of Florida, at a cost of between \$3,000,000 and \$4,000,000. It is expected that the entire contract will be completed in four years. The corporation obtained the contract through the Bowers-Southern Dredging Co., of Galveston, Tex., under an arrangement whereby the Baltimore company acquires part of the properties of the Bowers-Southern Co.—V. 111, p. 75.

Associated Dry Goods Co., N. Y.—Dividend No. 2.
 A dividend of 1% has been declared on the outstanding Common stock, payable Aug. 2 to holders of record July 19. An initial dividend of 1% was paid in May last.—V. 110, p. 1848.

Atlas Tack Corp.—Dividend No. 2.
 A second quarterly dividend of 75 cents per share has been declared on the Common stock, no par value, payable Aug. 2 to holders of record July 1. An initial div. of 75 cts. was paid in May last.—V. 110, p. 1851.

Baldwin Locomotive Works.—Credit with Colombia, &c.
 Baldwin Locomotive Works has established a credit of \$2,000,000 in favor of Colombia. It is understood to be for ten years, and allows Colombia to draw upon it at any time. So far no orders for engines have been placed. At cost of \$50,000 each the credit would cover 40 engines.
 Baldwin has also received an order for spare parts for locomotives from Rumania and shipment will be promptly made. Terms, it is understood, are cash against documents, Rumanian Government having established a credit in this country. This order is in addition to order taken by President Vauclain, while in Rumania, covering 25 engines and spare parts, to be paid for by monthly shipments of oil over five years. ("Phila. News Bureau.")

The company has about 16,500 men on its pay-rolls to-day, the highest number since 1918, when operations were in full war swing. This means that the plant is operating at slightly better than 80% of capacity and with operations expanding every day. In 1918 the average number of men employed at the works at Philadelphia and Eddystone, exclusive of subsidiary companies, was 19,632, and in 1919 the average was 15,000. At one time last year, following heavy cancellations of orders by the Government and before foreign business had developed in earnest, the forces were reduced to about 10,000 men, indicating about a 50% production. Output at the Baldwin plants is nearly evenly divided between domestic and foreign business.—V. 111, p. 75.

Bayless Pulp & Paper Co., Binghamton, N. Y.—Capital Increase, &c.

The stockholders voted June 30: (a) to increase the capital stock from \$1,500,000 (par \$100), all common, to \$2,650,000, the increase to consist of 11,500 shares of 8% Cumulative Preferred stock, par \$100; (b) to issue the Pref. stock for the purpose, among others, of conversion of the company's bonded debt.

On or about Aug. 1 the holders of 6% bonds may exchange same into 8% Pref. stock, par for par, after removing bond coupons due Aug. 1 1920. Exchanges may be effected either at the office of the company, 401 Phelps Building, or through any bank in Binghamton. The Pref. stock is issued solely for conversion purposes. Divs. Q-F.—V. 98, p. 239.

Brompton Pulp & Paper Co.—No Par Val. Shs.—Div. Inc.
 The stockholders voted on July 8 to increase the present Common capital stock from 70,000 shares, par \$100, to 210,000 shares of no par value, and to issue two no par value shares for each share of \$100 par. The remaining 70,000 shares are to be held in the treasury to provide for future contingencies in the way of new financing.

A quarterly dividend of 3% has been declared on the Common stock (equal to \$1 50 per share on the new stock), payable Aug. 7 to holders of record July 31. Previous statements were 1 1/2% each Jan. and April 1920; 1919, 1 1/4% quarterly, which rate has been paid since the initial payment of 1% regular and 1/4% extra in Feb. 1917.—V. 110, p. 2659.

Bush Terminal Co.—Listing—Earnings.
 The New York Stock Exchange has authorized the listing on and after July 15 of \$156,200 additional Common stock (auth. \$7,000,000), on official notice of issuance as a 2 1/2% stock dividend, payable July 15 to Common stockholders of record July 7.

Income Account of Bush Terminal Co. & Sub. Cos. for 4 Mos. end. Apr. 30 '20.

	Bush Term. Co.	Bush Term. Bldgs. Co.	Bush Term. RR. Co.	Total.
Total gross earnings	\$736,586	\$664,446	\$75,037	\$1,476,069
Operating expenses	191,178	334,156	54,492	579,826
Earnings from operation	\$545,408	\$330,290	\$20,545	\$896,243
Other income	104,956	18,866	87	123,909
Earn. from Manhattan prop.		6,366		6,366
Total net earnings	\$650,363	\$355,523	\$20,631	\$1,026,518
Taxes	159,288	99,571	7,618	266,277
Interest on bonded debt	196,043	153,000		349,043
Interest on loans			34,677	34,677
Sinking fund	9,723	44,701		54,424
Deduct from surplus of Bush Term. Bldgs. Co., accrued div. reported in Bush Term Co. under "other income"		33,941		33,441
Surplus for period	\$285,309	\$24,509	\$21,664	\$288,154

Compare annual report for cal. year 1919 in V. 111, p. 185.

Brown Shoe Co., Inc.—June Sales.
 Sales for June are reported at \$4,294,590, an increase of \$58,726 over 1919. For the six months ending June 30 1920, sales were \$21,355,592, as against \$16,343,784 in 1919, an increase of about 30%.—V. 110, p. 2490.

Buffalo Union Furnace Co.—Leases Property.
 The property, it is stated, has been taken over by M. A. Hanna & Co., Cleveland, under a four years lease. Pres. Frank B. Baird and Harry Yates, who has had a large interest, will relinquish all control. C. A. Collins, 2d V.-Pres., will remain with the new interests.—V. 109, p. 75.

Butte & Superior Mining Co.—Production.

Zinc (lbs.)	1920—June	1919	Zinc (lbs.)	1920—6 Mos.	1919
Silver (ozs.)	160,000	185,000	Silver (ozs.)	1,011,000	936,000

 —V. 110, p. 2490.

Cameron & Barkley Co., Charleston, S. C.—Additional Data.
 Mention was made in these columns in V. 111, p. 192, of the sale of \$500,000 8% S. F. Cum. Pref. stock by Charleston Security Co. Pres. C. B. Jenkins in a letter to the bankers, dated June 15, says (much condensed):

Company.—Business established in 1865 and was incorp. in South Caro. in 1887 with a paid-in capital stock of \$22,100, which was increased slightly from time to time. Business: Machinery supplies of all descriptions, packing for steam and gas engines and a large variety of items used in the maintenance of saw mills, cotton gins, phosphate mines fertilizer factories, dry mixing plants and to a limited extent textile establishments. In 1915 we put in in Charleston a line of automobile accessories, and as we develop this line it is our present expectation to install it in all of our branches.

Sales and Net Profits, Years 1915 to 1919, Inclusive.

	1915.	1916.	1917.	1918.	1919.	1920(est.)
Sales	\$720,613	\$1,018,115	\$1,695,835	\$1,993,667	\$2,275,814	\$3,000,000
Net	\$25,263	\$78,673	\$133,771	\$61,854	\$117,790	

Purpose.—To increase working capital to take care of increasing business.
Capital'n, after This Financing (No Bonds)—
 Authorized. Outstanding.
 Cumulative Preferred stock, this issue \$1,000,000 \$500,000
 Common stock 1,000,000 500,000

In order to provide the \$500,000 Common stock, a stock dividend of 50% will be declared [on the present \$273,500 Common stock] and \$89,750 Common stock will be sold for cash to present stockholders. The present Pref. stock issue of \$109,000 will be retired.

Preferred Stock Provisions.—Preferred as to assets and dividends. Callable at \$110 on any div. date on 30 days' notice. On April 1 of each year it must call for payment at \$110 per share sufficient of Pref. stock to exhaust the money in the sinking fund, which begins April 1 1922. See advertising pages of last week's "Chronicle" and V. 111, p. 192.

Canadian Connecticut Cotton Mills, Ltd.—Initial Div.
 The initial dividend of 10% recently declared on the Common stock will be paid Aug. 2 (not Aug. 1) to holders of record July 15.—V. 111, p. 192.

Canadian Northern Prairie Lands Co.—New Div. Dates
 The British Empire Trust Co., Ltd., announces that they have received cable advices that the company has altered the dates for payment of dividends from April 1 and Oct. 1 to Jan. 15 and July 15, and that the directors have declared a dividend of 4% the half year ended June 30, 1920 payable on July 15.—V. 81, p. 267.

Central Leather Co.—Obituary.
 President Walter S. Hoyt died July 14 in New York.—V. 110, p. 1852.

Cerro de Pasco Mining Co.—Copper Output (in Lbs.).

	1920—June	1919	Decrease.	1920—6 Mos.	1919	Decrease.
	3,944,000	4,026,000	\$2,000	26,788,000	28,100,000	1,312,000

 —V. 110, p. 2490, 2078.

Charlestown (Mass.) Gas & Elec. Co.—Gas Rate Increase
 The Mass. Department of Public Utilities has granted the petition of the company for an increase in gas from \$1 05 to \$1 35 net per 1,000 cu. ft. Price went into effect June 20.—V. 110, p. 2196.

Charlton (Cotton) Mills, Fall River.—Extra Dividend.
 An extra dividend of 8% has been declared on the outstanding \$800,000 capital stock (par \$100), along with a quarterly dividend of 2%, both payable Aug. 20 to holders of record July 12. In May last an extra dividend of 8% and a regular quarterly of 2% were paid, as compared with 7% in February last.—V. 110, p. 1645.

Chile Copper Co.—13th Quarterly Report, for 3 Mos. ending March 31 1920.—Pres. Daniel Guggenheim reports:
 The production of copper for the quarter averaged 8,463,662 lbs. per month as compared with 7,638,913 lbs. per month during last quarter of 1919. The output, in lbs., compares as follows:

First Quar.	1920.	1919.	Fourth Quar.	1919.	1918.
January	7,505,948	5,565,148	October	6,900,740	8,518,844
February	8,629,540	5,375,248	November	10,000,000	9,854,714
March	9,256,399	4,568,528	December	6,016,000	10,901,956

Total lbs.	25,390,987	15,508,924	Total lbs.	22,916,740	29,305,514
Sold, lbs.	32,704,410	3,977,849	Sold, lbs.	16,466,812	14,366,138

During the quarter ended March 31 there was treated 1,004,146 tons of ore, averaging 1.53% copper; in the preceding quarter, 974,016 tons, averaging 1.58% copper (955,996 tons averaging 1.61% reported in error in last quarterly report).

Combined Earnings of Chile Copper Co. and Chile Exploration Co., Based on Copper Actually Sold and Delivered.

	1st Quar. 1920.	4th Quar. 1919.
Net profit on copper delivered (aft. deducting depr.)	\$1,849,749	†\$300,211
Miscellaneous income	58,587	423,967
Int. on call loans and bank balances of Chile Cop. Co.	147,754	105,444

	\$2,056,091	\$229,200
Amort. discount on 15-year 6% convertible bonds	\$35,000	\$35,000
Accrued bond interest of Chile Copper Co.	786,499	785,818
Expenses of Chile Copper Co.	1,555	Cr. 701

Balance undivided profits, both companies \$1,233,036 †\$590,916
 † Loss.—V. 111, p. 183.

Cleveland Cliffs Iron Co.—Ore Leases.
 See Great Northern Iron Ore Properties under "Reports" above.—V. 110, p. 2570.

Columbian Rope Co., Auburn, N. Y.—New Stock.
 A certificate was filed at Albany on June 25 increasing the capital stock from \$1,500,000 to \$6,000,000. As company is practically a private corporation, no facts regarding the increase are made public. The company owns a large plant at Auburn, N. Y., where it manufactures cordage, including manila rope, sisal rope, oil well cordage, transmission rope, paper twine, ring yarn and spun yarn, broom, sail and mattress twines, tarred goods, binder twine, clothes lines, hide, hay and bale rope, jute and American hemp twines and Italian and Russian flax twines. Edwin F. Metcalf is President.

Curtiss Aeroplane Motor Co.—Foreign Planes Barred.
 See Wright Aeronautical Corp. below.—V. 111, p. 193.

De Beers Consolidated Mines, Ltd.—Dividends.
 A dividend of \$2 36 per share has been declared on the "American" shares, and will be payable by the Central Union Trust Co. of New York on July 28 to holders of record July 26.—V. 110, p. 2660.

Dominion Coal Co., Ltd.—Exchange Option.
 See Dominion Steel Corporation below.—V. 110, p. 2570.

Dominion Iron & Steel Co.—Exchange Option.
 See Dominion Steel Corporation below.—V. 109, p. 2174.

Dominion Steel Corporation.—Plan Ratified.—

The stockholders on July 15 voted to ratify the merger plan.

Official Circular as to Merger Plan.—President R. M. Wolvin in circular issued last week says in substance:

Merger Plan.—Your directors, after mature consideration, recommend the enclosed agreement providing for the exchange of the Ordinary shares of the company for Preference and Common stock of the British Empire Steel Corporation, Ltd. The British Empire Steel Corp., Ltd., is organized under the Companies Act of the Province of Nova Scotia, with an authorized capitalization of \$500,000,000. Of this amount it is intended at the present time to issue \$191,782,815, to be divided approximately as follows:

Capital Stock of New Company—	Authorized.	To Be Iss'd.
7% Cumulative Preference stock	\$40,000,000	\$36,250,000
8% Cumulative and Participating Preference stock	100,000,000	25,000,000
7% Cumulative 2d Preference stock	150,000,000	65,532,815
Common stock	210,000,000	65,000,000

The "7% Cumulative Preference stock" of the new corporation is held principally for exchange of the Preference and Preferred shares of the companies which will constitute the British Empire Steel Corporation, Ltd. Such exchange of Preference shares will be at the option of the holders of the same. The aforesaid new Preference stock will rank with the 8% Cumulative shares as a first preference both as regards dividends and distribution of assets on a winding up.

The 8% Cumulative stock is to be sold to secure additional capital to extend and improve the properties to be acquired by the new corporation, and it has been agreed that not less than \$20,000,000 of the \$25,000,000 thus placed in the treasury will be spent in the improvement, development and extension of the undertakings of the Dominion and Nova Scotia companies.

The "7% Cumulative 2d Preference stock" ranks ahead of Common as to dividends and distribution of assets on a winding up. These shares are to be exchanged on the basis hereinafter set forth for the outstanding Common or ordinary shares of the Dominion Steel Corporation, Ltd.

The operations of the British Empire Steel Corporation will include the following companies (and "*" also their subsidiaries):

*Dominion Steel Corporation, Ltd.	*Halifax Shipyards, Ltd.
*Nova Scotia Steel & Coal Co., Ltd.	Davie Shipbldg. & Repair'g Co., Ltd.
*Canada Steamship Lines, Ltd.	Maritime Nail Co., Ltd.
Collingwood Shipbuilding Co., Ltd.	Century Coal Co., Ltd.

The exchange of securities is based primarily on the approval of the proposals under consideration by the shareholders of the Dominion Steel Corp., Ltd., the Nova Scotia Steel & Coal Co., Ltd., and the Canada Steamship Lines, Ltd. In the event of any of the other companies failing to accept the proposals submitted to them, such company or companies will be eliminated from the British Empire Steel Corp., Ltd., and the balance sheet amended accordingly.

Terms of Exchange.—The holders of the Common shares of the Dominion Steel Corp., Ltd., will receive new stock in the British Empire Steel Corp., Ltd., on the following basis of exchange:

Ninety-five shares of 7% Cumulative 2d Preference stock [\$9,500] and 40 shares of Common stock [\$4,000] of the par value of \$100 of the British Empire Steel Corp., Ltd., for 100 ordinary shares [\$10,000] in the Dominion Steel Corp., Ltd. [In other words, \$40,850,000 new 7% Cum. 2d Pref. and \$17,200,000 new Common for the \$43,000,000 Common stock of Dominion Steel Corporation.—Ed.]

The holders of the Preference shares in the Dominion Steel Corp., Ltd. and the Preferred stock of the Dominion Coal Co., Ltd., and the Dominion Iron & Steel Co., Ltd., will have the option to exchange their shares on the following [for \$] basis:

One share of 7% Cumulative Pref. stock of the par value of \$100 of the British Empire Steel Corp., Ltd., for one 6% Preference share of the Dominion Steel Corp., Ltd. [Total issued, \$7,000,000.—Ed.]

One share of 7% Cumulative Pref. stock of the par value of \$100 of the British Empire Steel Corp., Ltd., for one share of 7% Preferred stock of the Dominion Iron & Steel Co., Ltd. [Total issued, \$5,000,000.]

One share of 7% Cumulative Preference stock of the par value of \$100 of the British Empire Steel Corporation, Ltd., for one share of 7% Preferred stock of the Dominion Coal Co., Ltd. [Total issued, \$3,000,000.]

Bonds.—The bond issues of the companies composing the Dominion Steel Corporation, Ltd., the Nova Scotia Steel & Coal Co., Ltd., and the Canada Steamship Lines, Ltd., will not be disturbed in any manner.

Balance Sheet.—Enclosed with this letter is a projected balance sheet of the British Empire Steel Corp., Ltd., consolidating the assets and liabilities of the constituent companies as at Dec. 31 1919 and including in the cash assets the funds to be derived from the sale of stock to be issued. This balance sheet [given in V. 111, p. 192] is based upon the reports of the Canadian Appraisal Co. and the American Appraisal Co. as to the value of the assets of the said companies.

Earnings.—Marwick, Mitchell & Co., chartered accountants, certify that the average earnings of the various companies concerned during the past three years has been over \$15,000,000 per annum.

Additions, &c.—The improvements made to your properties during the past four or five years have been very extensive and are of the most modern character, but further important renewals and improvements are necessary to increase output and insure continuously profitable operation. These will necessitate the expenditure of large sums of money which the company has not now at its command, and which must be provided through some form of capital financing.

Further Development Work.—The Dominion Steel Corporation, Ltd., and the Nova Scotia Steel & Coal Co., Ltd., own a very large proportion of the world's available iron ore supplies, and in addition control extensive coal properties. It is felt that these two companies as partners in the ownership of such large resources are under obligation to further develop them in the national interest and for the common good. This cannot be done without greater expenditures of capital, and the new capital which is to be paid into the treasury of the British Empire Steel Corporation, Ltd., will be largely applied to necessary extensions to, and improvements in, ore and coal mining facilities and steel manufacturing plant.

The joint operation of the properties of these two companies will not only eliminate duplication of capital expenditure, but should result in increased production and decreased costs.

Steamships and Shipbuilding.—The acquisition of the Canada Steamship Lines, Ltd., provides an efficient transportation organization and valuable shipping facilities through which to transport the increasing quantities of ore, coal and finished products which the companies composing the new corporation will produce.

The modern shipbuilding and ship repair plants to be acquired will furnish an assured market for the product of your plate mill at Sydney, and will extend the activities of your company into the large field of shipbuilding. The shipbuilding berths controlled by the new corporation will be available for the construction of vessels which will be required in large numbers by it as its business expands. These shipbuilding plants are most advantageously situated and are equipped to take care of the business of ship repairing in graving docks on the Great Lakes and on the Atlantic seaboard.

Effect of Merger.—The combining of these various enterprises into the British Empire Steel Corporation will result in the company being absolutely self-contained, controlling as it will the natural deposits of ore and coal and everything required for their development into every form of manufactured steel product, and their transportation to consumers in all parts of the world; and must tend, when operating jointly, towards a more uniformly profitable operation as a whole, and to less fluctuation in earnings.

The purchase of a substantial interest in this corporation by leading steel masters of Great Britain establishes connections which will greatly assist in providing markets for our diversified products, but will also bring us the benefit of their wide experience in developing the properties and in marketing.

[Compare original merger plan sent to shareholders of Nova Scotia Steel & Coal Co. in V. 110, p. 2573 (since modified by omission of Port Arthur Shipbuilding Co., Ltd., and Canada Foundries & Forgings, Ltd.), and revised balance sheet of British Empire Steel Corporation in V. 111, p. 192.]

[Hector McInnes, who, with others, was recently omitted from the board, has been re-elected.—V. 111, p. 193.]

Dominion Textile Co.—Bond Issue.—

See Financial Report under "Annual Reports" on a preceding page.—V. 111, p. 193.

Duquesne Light Co., Pittsburgh.—Offering of Bonds.—Ladenburg, Thalmann & Co., Harris, Forbes & Co. and Lee, Higginson & Co. are offering at 85 and int., yielding 7¼%, \$8,000,000 First Mtge. & Coll. Trust 30-Year 6% gold

bonds dated July 1 1919, due July 1 1949, and fully described in V. 109, p. 176.

Data from Letter of Pres. A. W. Thompson Dated July 14 1920.

Capital After This Financing—	Authorized.	Outstanding
Common stock (8% dividends).....	\$25,000,000	x\$18,226,000
Preferred stock (7% cumulative).....	10,000,000	5,941,000
First Mtge. & Coll. Trust 6% bonds of 1949 (including present issue).....	100,000,000	31,718,500
Bonds of leased & sub. cos. outst. with public....	Closed	y2,931,500

x \$3,500,000 additional Common stock is held in the company's treasury. y Additional bonds amounting to \$1,725,500 are outstanding, of which \$521,500 pledged under this mortgage, \$169,000 are deposited under a subsidiary company mortgage, \$35,000 are held in the treasury and \$1,000,000 are pledged under the respective indentures securing the Philadelphia Co. 1st Mtge. & Coll. Trust 5s. due 1949 (V. 108, p. 579), and Consolidated & Collateral Trust 5s. due 1951. The Duquesne Light Co. has purchased the last mentioned \$1,000,000 bonds subject to their delivery from under the terms of said Philadelphia Company. All the foregoing \$1,725,500 face value bonds are non-interest-bearing from the standpoint of the Duquesne Light Co. system.

Purposes.—Proceeds will be employed principally for expenditures incident to increasing to 120,000 k.w. the originally contemplated initial installed capacity of 60,000 k.w. of the new Colfax power plant, and for increasing from 120,000 k.w. to 160,000 k.w. the capacity of the company's Brunot Island power station.

Combined Earnings, Including Subsidiaries, Year ended May 31 1920.

Gross earnings.....	\$14,242,234
Net earnings, after maintenance and taxes.....	\$4,676,156
Fixed charges, &c., including interest on bonds now offered....	2,221,101
Balance, surplus.....	\$2,455,055

Net earnings over twice the above fixed charges. Compare annual report in V. 110, p. 2382.

Physical Property.—System includes 7 electric generating stations, having an aggregate rated generating capacity of about 156,200 k.w. The most important generating station is on Brunot Island, in the Ohio River, Pittsburgh; has a present rated generating capacity of about 120,000 k.w. (which will shortly be increased to 160,000 k.w.). This plant is one of the largest and most important power plants in the country. Current of system is distributed through 178 substations over 8,738 miles of electrical conductor. Large part of Pittsburgh is served by underground lines, the system having altogether 921 duct miles of underground conduit. There are now in service 108,194 customers' meters, and current is being supplied to 105,445 customers. Present connected load of system is about 309,129 k.w., and for the year ended May 31 1920 the electrical output of the system was 710,617,630 k.w.h.

New Colfax Power Plant.—The Cheswick Power Co. was incorporated in the latter part of 1919 by interests closely allied with the company, and has now under construction a large new power plant at Cheswick (known as the Colfax power plant), which is proposed to have an ultimate capacity of 300,000 k.w. Buildings, intake tunnels, &c., are now being constructed for a plant of 120,000 k.w. capacity and two 60,000 k.w. three-unit turbo-generator sets will be initially installed, of which the first is expected to be in operation about Oct. 1 1920. Compare V. 109, p. 176, and see annual report for calendar year 1919 in V. 110, p. 2382.

Eastman Kodak Co.—Extra Dividends.—

An extra dividend of 5% has been declared on the Common stock, payable Sept. 1 to holders of record July 31; an extra of 2½% was also declared on the Common, along with the regular quarterly dividend of 2½%, payable Oct. 1 to holders of record Aug. 31. An extra of 5% was paid in June last and 2½% on July 1 last. Extras of 7½% were paid in January and April last.—V. 110, p. 2571, 2187.

Edison Electric Appliance Co.—To Increase Capital.—

The stockholders will vote July 28 on increasing the Common stock from 50,000 shares to 61,000 shares of no par value and the Preferred stock from \$1,590,200 to \$2,650,200 (par \$100). See offering of bonds in V. 111, p. 77.

Electric Storage Battery Co.—Dividend Increased.—

A quarterly dividend of 3% has been declared on the outstanding Capital stock (both Common and Preferred), payable Oct. 1 to holders of record Sept. 13. Dividend record:

1901 to 1907.	1908-09.	1910 to 1918.	1919.	Jan.-July 1920.	Oct. 1920.
5% p. a.	3¼ p. a.	4%	5%	2½% quar.	3%

See also V. 111, p. 193.

Exchange Buffet Corp.—Stock Offering.—

Millet, Roe & Hagen are offering at \$99 per share, subject to prior sale and change of price, a limited number of shares, no par value. (See advertising pages). Operates a chain of 31 moderate-priced restaurants and 37 tobacco stands located at business centres in N. Y. City, Brooklyn and Newark. Business, established in 1885, has shown a steady and consistent growth. A quarterly dividend of \$2 per share has been declared, payable July 31 to stockholders of record of July 15.—V. 110, p. 1530.

Ford Motor Co.—Buys Control of Detroit Toledo & Ironton RR.—

Output—Other Acquisitions—Loan Paid off.—See Detroit Toledo & Ironton RR. above.

It is understood that the company plans production of 4,000 machines per day in the near future, or as soon as it can arrange to get raw material for steady output on that basis.

It is unofficially reported that Henry Ford will take over the Great Lakes Engineering Works, which is being advertised for sale. The Michigan Land & Iron Co., according to reports, was recently acquired by Ford Motor Co.

It is stated that holders of the Ford investment certificates which Ford employees were privileged to buy at the beginning of 1920, have been notified they are to receive a 5% semi-annual payment in addition to the guaranteed interest of 3% on these certificates. The company promised only 3% semi-annually, but the added 5% makes the interest 8% for the first six months. Another interest payment will be made in December.

On July 16 the company paid the remaining \$35,000,000 6% 90-day notes then maturing without, we are informed, any renewal whatever. The credit arranged for the company in July 1919 by Bond & Goodwin and associates, called for an authorized issue of \$75,000,000 to be in form of three months' bills with three renewals with the privilege of paying any amount at renewal dates. Only \$60,000,000, however, was actually availed of and \$10,000,000 of this amount was paid off Oct. 16, \$7,500,000 Jan. 16, \$7,500,000 April 16 and now the remaining \$35,000,000 has been discharged.—V. 110, p. 2491.

Ford Motor Co. of Canada, Ltd.—15% Cash Dividend.—

A 15% cash dividend was payable July 15 on the outstanding \$7,000,000 Common stock to stockholders of record July 12. This distribution compares with 35% in dividends paid for the year 1919.—V. 109, p. 1595.

Gardner Motor Co., St. Louis.—Stock Oversubscribed.—

Hornblower & Weeks, New York, and Lorenzo E. Anderson, & Co., St. Louis, announce that the 50,000 shares of no par value stock offered by them at \$27 per share was largely oversubscribed.

Data from Letter of Pres. Russell E. Gardner, Dated June 21 1920.

The company [was incorp. July 15] in New York to succeed to the business assets and good-will of the partnership of the same name with an authorized capital of 300,000 shares of no par value with 155,000 issued.

President Gardner, who established the Banner Buggy Co., which became one of the largest and best-known companies of its kind in the world, and who for a number of years assembled and distributed the Chevrolet car in the Southwest in 1918 sold his plant to the General Motors Corp., but repurchased it last March and immediately started constructing the Gardner car. The production in March was 317 cars; in April 485 cars, in May 502 cars, and in June 700 cars; estimated July production, 1,000 cars. The "Gardner light four" is made in both open and closed models of attractive design, and is in the popular priced class (selling for \$1,195 f. o. b.

St. Louis), has 112-inch wheel base Lycoming motor, Westinghouse system—the best units of construction that we can purchase; weight, 2,200 pounds.
Plant to-day has a maximum capacity of 40,000 complete cars yearly.
Plans for 1921 call for the production of 15,000 to 18,000 cars and net profits are estimated at \$100 per car.—V. 111, p. 193.

General Chemical Co.—Extension of Cleveland Plant.—

The J. G. Shite Engineering Corporation announces that they have received commission from the General Chemical Co. to build a very large addition to the National Works of the General Chemical Co. at Cleveland, O., notably a sulphate of alumina plant of large capacity. It is expected that the construction work will be started at an early date. Compare description of present plants in V. 109, p. 1790.—V. 110, p. 2571.

General Electric Co., N. Y.—Stock Dividend.—

Holders of fractional shares of stock of record June 10 received on July 15 on account of 2% stock dividend a check from the Farmers' Loan & Trust Co., N. Y., at the rate of \$141 a full share, the market price for said stock June 10 1920.—V. 111, p. 77.

General Motors Corp.—To Dissolve Syndicate.—

J. P. Morgan & Co. announce that on the closing of the subscription books for the 3,223,291 shares recently offered to shareholders over 99% was subscribed for. As the sale has been completed of the stock to be taken by the underwriting syndicate, it is planned to dissolve the syndicate in a few days.
Edward R. Stettinius, of J. P. Morgan & Co.; George F. Baker, Jr., Vice-Pres. of First National Bank; Seward Prosser, Pres. of Bankers' Trust Co.; William H. Woodin, Pres. of American Car & Foundry Co.; Owen D. Young, Vice-Pres. of General Electric Co. and C. M. Wooley, have been elected to the board of directors.
Mr. Stettinius, Mr. Baker and Mr. Prosser were also elected members of the Finance Committee.—V. 111, p. 77, 193.

(L. H.) Gilmer Co.—100% Stock Dividend.—

The company has declared a 100% stock dividend to Common stockholders of record July 15. The company has plants at Tacony, North Wales and Mountainville, Pa., also a spinning mill at Millen, Ga., and manufactures woven belting and endless belts and is said to be the largest manufacturer of automobile fan belts in the United States. Samuel K. Phillips, of Samuel K. Phillips & Co. of Philadelphia, is Vice-President.

Guantanamo Sugar Corporation.—Extra Dividend.—

An extra dividend of 50 cents per share has been declared on the new Capital stock (no par value), together with a quarterly dividend of 50 cents, both payable Sept. 30 to holders of record Sept. 10. On July 1 last an extra dividend of 10% in addition to the regular quarterly dividend of 2½% was paid on the old \$50 par value capital stock. Quarterly dividends of 2½% have been paid since July 2 1917. Compare V. 110, p. 2661, 2491.

(D. W.) Griffith, Inc.—Stock Offered.—Counselman & Co., Chicago, and Bertron, Griscom & Co., Inc., New York, are offering at \$15 per share 125,000 Class A shares, no par.

Class A stock in any fiscal year shall receive divs. up to \$1 50 per share before any divs. are paid on Class B stock and, before any such divs. on Class B stock, a fund of \$1 for each share of Class A stock outstanding must be set aside on or before Sept. 1 in such fiscal year for the purchase of Class A stock if tendered within 4 months at not exceeding \$15 per share. After Class B stock has received \$1 50 per share in any fiscal year, Class A stock will participate in any additional divs. in such year, share and share alike, with Class B stock. The respective preferential divs. of \$1 50 per share on the Class A and Class B stock are non-cumulative. Class A stock first receives \$25 per share out of assets in case of voluntary liquidation and \$20 per share in case of involuntary liquidation, and after Class B has received a like amount per share, both classes of stock share equally.

Data from Letter of D. W. Griffith, Dated June 28 1920.

Capitalization.—Authorized, 125,000 Class A shares (no par value); 375,000 Class B shares (no par value). No funded debt except real estate mortgages aggregating \$338,000.

Purpose.—Proceeds of the sale of Class A stock are to be used for additional working capital. For the physical assets, other interests, and goodwill of the business conducted by D. W. Griffith to be acquired by the corporation, it will issue all the Class B stock.

Company.—Incorp. in Maryland June 30 1920 and will continue the production of high-grade motion pictures under the chief direction of D. W. Griffith (under a long time contract), assisted by the same management and organization which has so successfully established the reputation of Griffith productions. Mr. Griffith is known throughout the world as the producer of such famous pictures as "Birth of a Nation," "Hearts of the World," "Broken Blossoms," &c.

The assets to be acquired by the company will include the real estate, studio and equipment (net value of which is appraised at \$1,150,000, at Mamaroneck, N. Y., ownership of a large number of productions, productions in process and rights to future productions and contracts with distributing companies and with the prominent members of the Griffith organization. The company will also acquire a one-fifth interest in the United Artists Corp., formed to distribute star pictures of D. W. Griffith, Mary Pickford, Douglas Fairbanks and Charlie Chaplin, each of whom owns a one-fifth interest in the United Artists Corp.

Earnings.—Gross receipts from pictures produced by the Griffith organization during the past 27 months have been about \$7,000,000 and it is estimated that on completion of their runs, gross receipts from these pictures should exceed \$9,000,000 and after allowing for all expenses of production and distribution, net earnings should approximate \$3,000,000. Net earnings for the next 12 months, after depreciation, Federal taxes, &c., are estimated at \$1,500,000. Company intends to pay dividends of at least \$1 50 per share per annum on the Class A shares about Jan. 1 1921.

(M. A.) Hanna & Co., Cleveland.—Acquisition.—

See Buffalo Union Furnace Co. above.—V. 105, p. 292.

Hocking Valley Products Co., N. Y.—Exchange Each \$20 Share for Three \$10 Shares.—

The stockholders on June 17 authorized an increase of the capital stock from \$920,000 to \$1,500,000, the reduction of the par value of shares from \$20 to \$10 each, and the distribution of \$160,000 of such additional capital stock pro rata to the stockholders of record June 30 1920.

President S. L. Chamberlain, in adv. of July 12, notified the stockholders to deposit on and after July 15 1920 their present shares (par value \$20) with the Empire Trust Co., 120 Broadway, N. Y. City, and receive in exchange for each share so deposited three shares of the new stock issue of the par value of \$10 each. Compare V. 110, p. 2394, 2384, 2661.

International Cement Corp.—Earnings.—

The net profits for the four operating companies of the International Cement Corporation for the three months ending June 30, with June partly estimated, are reported at \$574,232, as against \$287,066 for the quarter ended March 31 1920; the final surplus, after all charges, was \$178,532, as against \$198,362 for the first quarter.—V. 110, p. 265.

International Mercantile Marine Co.—Buys Leyland Stk.

The Atlantic Transport Co., a subsidiary of the I. M. M. Co., has purchased at par 40,000 of the £10 Preference shares of Frederick Leyland & Co. and has offered to buy any additional shares, other than those owned by I. M. M. Co., on the same terms. Prior to the transaction the I. M. M. Co. owned 42% of the Pref. shares and 98% of the Common shares.—V. 110, p. 2492, 2485.

International Motor Truck Corp.—Pref. Stock Offered.

—Hayden, Stone & Co. are offering a limited amount of 7% Cum. First Pref. (a. & d.) stock at \$1 flat, to yield 8.64% (current price on N. Y. Stock Exchange, where shares are listed). Circular shows:

Capital'n (No Mtges. except \$20,500 on Property)	Authorized	Issued
7% Cum. First Pref. stock (par \$100)	\$10,921,900	\$10,921,891
7% Cum. Second Pref. stock (par \$100)	5,347,800	5,331,700
Common stock, no par value (after completion of new financing)	320,000 sh.	283,108 sh.

The steadily increasing demand for Mack trucks is shown by the record of production, which in 1914 was 544 trucks, with net sales of \$2,735,074; and in 1919, 5,015 trucks, with net sales of \$22,143,698. During the cur-

rent year, it is expected production will approximate 9,000 trucks, and net sales \$40,000,000. Earnings for the first five months of 1920, after all charges, including taxes, were in excess of \$1,700,000, or at a rate of more than five times the dividend requirements of the First Preferred stock. Compare V. 110, p. 2071, 2295, 2391, 2572.

Kanawha-Elkhorn Collieries, Inc.—First Dividend.—

The directors on July 10 declared an initial dividend of 1% on the outstanding stock, payable July 20 1920 on stock of record July 15 1920. W. H. H. Davenport is Treasurer, 217 Ellicott Sq., Buffalo.

(S. S.) Kresge Co.—Rights.—

Referring to the announcement of the company that stockholders of record July 20 will be offered the right to purchase for cash at par with accrued interest July 1, an amount of 7% serial gold notes due Jan. 1 1922 to 1926, inclusive, at the rate of \$5 principal amount of each maturity thereof for each share of Pref. and/or Common stock of record on said date, the Committee on Securities of the New York Stock Exchange has ruled that transactions in the Common and Preferred stock unless made specifically for cash shall be ex-rights July 20. Right to subscribe expires Aug. 5.—V. 111, p. 194, 78.

(S. H.) Kress & Co.—June Sales.—

1920—June—1919.	Increase.	1920—6 Mos.—1919.	Increase.
\$2,410,283	\$1,914,360	\$495,923	\$12,825,197
10,479,711	\$2,345,486		

—V. 110, p. 2492.

La Belle Iron Works.—Amalgamation Plans—Stock Dividend—Annual Report.—

See Wheeling Steel Corporation below and "Financial Reports" on a preceding page.

D. A. Burt has been elected President, succeeding R. C. Kirk. G. B. Levan of Steubenville, O., has been elected Vice-Pres.—V. 111, p. 194.

Lackawanna Steel Co.—New Officers.—The company announces the following changes in its organization, due to the death of its former President, Charles H. McCullough, and the resignation of Charles R. Robinson, Vice-President in charge of sales, viz.:

George F. Downs, President. Henry H. Barbour, Vice-President.
Thomas H. Mathias, V.-P. & Gen. M. Arthur J. Singer, Vice-President.

Earnings.—Company reports for quarter & half-year.:

Lackawanna Steel Co. and Subsidiary Cos.	Quarter end. June 30—		—6 Mos. end. June 30—	
	1920.	1919.	1920.	1919.
Results for—	\$2,786,107	\$446,757	\$3,123,018	\$2,444,749
†Net earnings, all properties				
Deduct—Int. on bonds & other obligations:				
Lackawanna Steel Co.	251,716	227,668	486,325	458,068
Subsidiary companies	39,267	41,091	79,367	83,017
Balance	\$2,495,094	\$177,998	\$2,557,326	\$1,903,664
Less—Appropriations for:				
Extng. of mining inv.	59,641	63,957	113,420	109,863
Depr. & accr. renewals	553,508	347,127	1,011,680	819,779
Total	sur. \$1,881,915	df. \$233,086	sr. \$1,432,226	sr. \$974,022
Unfilled orders (gross tons)	481,267	122,399	481,267	122,399

† The net earnings are shown "after providing for all taxes, including Federal taxes, and deducting all other expenses, including ordinary repairs and maintenance, but not renewal expenditures and other appropriations for the current year," which are deducted separately as shown in table.—V. 110, p. 2492.

Laurentide Co., Ltd.—New Director.—

Sir Lomer Gouin, who recently retired from the Premiership of the Government of the Province of Quebec, has been appointed a director.—V. 110, p. 566.

Lee Rubber & Tire Co.—Dividends—Earnings.—

A quarterly dividend of 50 cents per share has been declared on the outstanding 150,000 shares of capital stock, no par value, payable Sept. 1 to holders of record Aug. 14. In June last, a quarterly dividend of 50 cents was paid. The only previous dividends were three distributions of 50 cents per share and extras of 25 cents, paid on June 1, Sept. 1 and Dec. 1 1916.

The company confirms the report that the sales for the first half year were approximately \$1,400,000 and net profits, before taxes, amounted to \$500,000. Almost 50% of the sales are now of puncture-proof cord tires.—V. 111, p. 194.

Lincoln Motor Co. (of Del.), Detroit.—Dividend No. 2.

A second dividend of 2½% has been declared on the 160,000 shares of Class A stock, \$50 par value, payable July 30 to holders of record July 20. An initial dividend of 2½% was paid in April last.—V. 110, p. 1531.

Locomotive Co. of America.—New Director.—

Chauncey H. Murphy, V.-Pres. of the U. S. Mtge. & Trust Co., has been elected a director of the Locomobile Co., Hare's Motors, Inc., and the Mercer Motors Co.—V. 111, p. 194.

Lucey Mfg. Co.—Bonds Offered.—Potter Brothers & Co., Dominick & Dominick and Hallgarten & Co., New York, are offering at 98 and int., to yield 8.30%, \$1,500,000 Ten-Year 8% Conv. Sinking Fund Notes, Series "A." (See advertising pages.)

Dated July 1 1920, due July 1 1930. Int. payable J. & J. in New York without deduction for normal Federal taxes not in excess of 2%. Denom. \$1,000 and \$500 (*). Convertible into Class "A" stock at the rate of one share of stock for each \$55 face amount of notes. Callable at 105 and int., with right of conversion to run 30 days after date of call. Callable on any int. date at 115 and int. without right of conversion. Annual sinking fund of 5% for five years and 7½% thereafter will retire majority by 1930.

The bankers named above are also offering at \$45 per share 37,500 shares Class "A" stock (par \$50).

Entitled, before any div. may be paid on Class "B" stock, to receive divs. of \$5 a share for each of the 3 years ending July 1 1923 and \$8 a share for each year thereafter. After Class "B" stock has during any one year received divs. equal to the rate being paid on Class "A" stock the two classes will participate share for share in further divs. declared during that year. Convertible, unless called at \$80 per share into Class "B" stock, share for share. Callable at \$66 per share and divs., the right to convert running for 30 days after date of call, or at \$80 and divs., without right of conversion.

Data from Letter of President J. F. Lucey, Dated July 8 1920.

Capitalization after This Financing—	Authorized	Outstanding
10-Year 8% S. F. Conv. Notes, "Series A"	\$2,500,000	\$1,500,000
Class "A" Conv. stock (par \$50)	x61,773 shs.	37,500 shs.
Class "B" stock (no par value)	y150,000 shs.	a100,000 shs.

x 27,273 shares reserved for conversion of notes. y Additional "B" stock will be issued as required for conversion. a The management has taken Class "B" stock only for its entire interest in the business, with the exception of \$50,000 for retirement of the old Pref. stock. Class "B" has sole voting rights.

Company.—Was started in 1908 in California by J. F. Lucey, and is to-day one of the two largest manufacturers and distributors of oil well drilling equipment. Through its constituent companies it operates manufacturing plants in Chattanooga, Tenn., and Houston, Tex. Has branches and warehouses in the principal oil fields in this country and abroad.

Purpose.—Funds obtained from the sale of these securities will be used to increase working capital, with the exception of \$50,000 applied to the retirement of the old Pref. stock.

Earnings.—Net operating profits applicable to interest charges for the calendar year 1919, after allowing 6% return on the new capital amounted to \$751,856 and were equivalent to over 6 times interest on the notes presently to be issued. For the 3 calendar years ended 1919 such earnings averaged over 5 times and for the first 4 months of 1920 were over 9 times

interest requirements on the notes presently to be issued. After all prior charges, sinking fund and taxes, net earnings are now running at an annual rate equivalent to \$14 per share on the Class "A" stock.

For the 3 years ended Dec. 31 1919 net profits, before taxes, but after heavy deductions covering unusual losses partly caused by the war, averaged 32% on the capital invested in the business during the period. Unfilled orders at present amount to about \$7,000,000.—V. 108, p. 1277.

Loew's Inc.—Listing—Earnings.—

The New York Stock Exchange has authorized the listing of 6,900 additional shares of capital stock (auth. 4,000,000 shares), no par value, upon official notice of issuance and payment in full, making the total amount applied for 754,932 shares. The issuance of these shares was authorized by the directors on April 19 1920, as payment to vendors for 50% of the capital stock of the Chateau Amusement Corp., P. & B. Amusement Corp., P. & S. Amusement Corp. and Harvard Amusement Co.

The above companies lease one theatre in Manhattan and five in the Bronx, N. Y. City having a combined seating capacity of 11,767. The consolidated income account of Loew's Inc. and affiliated companies for 24 weeks from Sept. 1 1919 to Feb. 15 1920, shows total income, \$7,757,034; total expenditures, \$5,707,118; net earnings, \$2,049,915; estimated Federal income and excess profits taxes (25%), \$512,479; profit for period \$1,537,437.—V. 111, p. 78.

Manhattan Electrical Supply Co., Inc.—Plan for Re-financing—Retirement of All Pref. Shares—Change of the \$3,000,000 Common Stock, Par \$100, to 30,000 Shares of No Par Value—Increase of Limit of Issue to 250,000 Shares—Increase of Outstanding Issue to 70,000 Shares by 10% Stock Dividend (3,000 Shares), Exchange of 24,100 Shares for \$1,205,000 Present First Pref. and Sale of 12,900 Shares—Underwriting—Annual Report.—The shareholders will vote July 27 on substantially the following plan for refinancing the enterprise:

Digest of Official Circular, Dated July 8.

It is the opinion of your board that the company should be internally reorganized and refinanced so as to enable it to better meet existing conditions and to be prepared for future expansion. The plan formulated will provide a large amount of cash working capital, do away with all Pref. stock and provide unissued capital stock which can be sold for cash as required or used in other ways for the expansion of the business.

Summary of Plan to Be Submitted to the Stockholders for Their Approval.

1. Change of the Common capital stock from shares of \$100 each to shares having no par value, by exchange upon an equal basis.
2. Redemption of the outstanding First and Second Pref. stocks (approximately \$1,205,000 and \$198,000, respectively), if and when the board in their discretion shall so direct.
3. Authorization of 220,000 additional shares of no par value stock. Forty thousand (40,000) of such additional shares shall be presently issued as follows:
 - (a) 3,000 shares as a stock dividend, one to ten shares on Common stock.
 - (b) 24,100 shares, more or less, to be offered to First Pref. stockholders in exchange for their stock, two shares of new stock for one of First Pref.
 - (c) 12,900 shares, more or less, together with any shares not taken in exchange by the First Pref. stockholders, to be sold for procuring working capital and for redeeming Preferred stock.
4. The balance of 180,000 shares of new stock to be held subject to future issue by the board in their discretion from time to time for capital requirements or otherwise.

The shareholders will also vote upon the following propositions:

- (a) To authorize the board from time to time to enter into contracts for the sale or underwriting of the authorized but unissued stock, and to pay commissions in connection with any such sale or underwriting.
- (b) To amend the articles of organization, &c., so that no stock or other security having any preference or priority over the stock without par value, can hereafter be issued, and no mortgage, lien or encumbrance, nor any funded debt shall be hereafter created, if at a meeting duly called to authorize the same the holders of at least one-third in interest of the then issued and outstanding stock dissent therefrom; but the foregoing prohibitions shall not apply to notes, collateral loans or other obligations necessary in the course of the current business or the giving of purchase money on property hereafter acquired, or the acquisition of property subject to mortgages and encumbrances thereon then existing.

In order to promote the speedy exchange of First Pref. stock and the sale of new stock for capital and redemption purposes, the common stockholders are asked to waive any rights to subscribe pro rata to the shares to be offered for sale and for exchange, as favorable arrangements have been made in relation to the same.

Chandler & Co. are organizing a syndicate to underwrite (a) the 12,900 shares of stock to be issued to provide additional capital and for redemption of 2d Pref. stock, and (b) the 24,000 shares which are to be offered in exchange for the outstanding First Pref. stock. The public offering price, it is understood, will probably be made at \$57 a share.

For balance sheet, &c., see "Financial Reports" above.

Officers.—J. J. Gorman is Pres.; B. H. Ellis, 1st V.-Pres. & Treas.; 2d V.-Pres., J. F. Baisley; Edgar Whitmore, Sec. Offices New York, 17 Park Place; Boston, Room 511, 53 State St. (company is a Massachusetts corporation).—V. 110, p. 1647.

Massachusetts Breweries Co.—Suspend Operations.—

Officials of the company, it is stated, have decided to suspend operation of the plants indefinitely. There is no liquidation of assets contemplated at present.—V. 110, p. 2081.

Maverick Mills, Boston, Mass.—Extra Dividend.—

An extra dividend of 7½% has been declared on the Common stock, along with the regular quarterly dividend of 2½%, both payable July 19 to holders of record July 13. Extras of 7½% were paid in January and April last.—V. 110, p. 2492.

Mexican Petroleum Co., Ltd.—Stock Dividend.—

The Committee on Securities of the New York Stock Exchange has amended its ruling of June 14 1920, so that the Common stock will be not quoted ex-stock dividend of 10% until further notice. Information has been received that stock certificates covering said dividend will be issued and delivered on July 31 1920, or as soon thereafter as listed, instead of on July 10 1920, as heretofore advised.—V. 111, p. 78.

Milwaukee & Chicago Breweries, Ltd.—Liquidation.—

The directors and stockholders have directed that the company be wound up voluntarily and have appointed Charles Eves as liquidator. Funds have been furnished the Illinois Trust & Savings Bank as agent for the liquidator, to make a payment to American shareholders of the sum of \$3 79½ per pound upon the number of pounds represented by the outstanding Trust Certificates.

All holders of Trust Certificates of the Illinois Trust & Savings Bank, representing stock of the company, are requested to present their certificates at the bank on and after July 15 1920, endorsed for surrender and cancellation.

Upon surrender of certificates, properly endorsed the English certificates held by the bank in the name of Edwin S. Layman, against which the certificates are issued, will be delivered by the bank to the liquidator.—V. 110, p. 1977.

Montgomery Light & Water Power Co.—Contract.—

See Alabama Traction, Light & Power Co. under "Reports" above —V. 103, p. 1596.

Morgan Engineering Co., Alliance, O.—Buys Plant.—

The company has acquired the U. S. Govt. ordnance plant in Alliance, O., which was completed in 1917 at a cost of about \$2,000,000. The building is 900 ft. long and has five large wings. Machinery and equipment for the plant is said to have cost \$6,000,000. The company has made no announcement concerning the use to which the property will be put.

Nash Motors Co.—Common Dividend of \$6.—

A dividend of \$6 per share has been declared on the Common stock, payable Aug. 2 to holders of record July 20. In Feb. last \$10 was paid, in Aug. 1919 \$6, and in Feb. 1919 \$6.—V. 110, p. 665, 656.

National Enam. & Stamping Co.—Purchase Notes.— See St. Louis Coke & Chemical Co. below.—V. 110, p. 1085.

New Castle (Pa.) Rubber Co.—Stock Dividend.—

The directors on June 22 1920 declared a stock apportionment of 42.38% of the par value of the Common stock, payable on July 1 to shareholders of record May 31. This company also on July 1 paid its regular quarterly dividend of 1¼% on its Preferred stock. [W. E. Duersten is Vice-Pres. At last accounts there was outstanding \$366,000 Capital stock and \$71,000 First Gold 6s.]

N. Y. & Honduras Rosario Mining Co.—Dividends.—

An extra dividend of 2% has been declared on the capital stock, together with a dividend of 3%, both payable July 30 to holders of record July 20. Like amounts were paid Jan. & Apr. last and Jan. 1919.—V. 110, p. 1648.

Northampton Gas Light Co.—Rate Increase.—

The Massachusetts Department of Public Utilities has granted the company an increase in the price of gas sold after July 1 1920 of from \$1 25 to \$1 80 net per 1,000 cu. ft.—V. 107, p. 1197.

North Butte Mining Co.—Copper Output (Lbs.).—

1920—June—1919.	Increase	1920—6 Mos.—1919.	Increase.
1,616,822	767,468	849,354	9,153,995
		5,940,301	3,213,694

Otis Elevator Co.—Half Year's Earnings.—

Earnings for the Six Months ended June 30 1920.
Net earnings after operating expenses, renewals and depreciation, but before taxes.....\$2,037,195
Net earnings after fixed charges and all taxes.....1,550,522
—V. 110, p. 1753, 1640.

Pabst Brewing Co.—Sells Property.—

It is stated that the company has sold land and building, including railroad siding, located at Jackson Ave. near Harold Ave., Long Island City, to a syndicate for a sum in the neighborhood of \$2,000,000.—V. 110, p. 2573.

Pacific Coast Co.—Dividends Resumed.—

A quarterly dividend of 1% has been declared on the Common stock, along with the regular quarterly dividends of 1¼% on the First Pref. and 1% on the Second Pref. stocks, all payable Aug. 1 to holders of record July 24. Regular quarterly dividends of 1% have been paid from Feb. 1917 to Nov. 1919, inclusive; none since.—V. 110, p. 267.

Pacific Development Corp.—Subscriptions to New Stock.

It is stated that the stockholders subscribed to nearly half of the \$4,100,000 stock offered to them for subscription at \$50 a share. The balance of the offering has gone to the underwriters and considerable amounts, it is stated, have already been definitely withdrawn for permanent holding.—V. 111, p. 78.

Pan-American Petroleum & Transport Co.—Stock Div.

The Committee on Securities of the New York Stock Exchange, amending its ruling of June 14 1920, has decided that the Common stock and the Common stock "B," be quoted ex-stock dividend of 10% until further notice. Information has been received that stock certificates covering said dividend will be issued and delivered on July 31 1920, or as soon thereafter as listing is effected, instead of on July 10 1920, as heretofore advised.—V. 111, p. 79.

Penn Traffic Co. of Philadelphia.—Extra Dividend.—

An extra dividend of 1% has been declared on the capital stock, together with the regular semi-annual dividend of 3%, both payable Aug. 2 to holders of record July 15. A like amount has been paid extra with the regular semi-annual dividend since Feb. 1918.—V. 109, p. 179.

Piggly Wiggly Stores, Inc., Memphis.—Income, &c.—

	3 Mos. end.	3 Mos. end.	6 Mos. end.
Operating Results—	June 30 '20.	Mar. 31 '20.	Increase.
Sales	\$7,031,163	\$4,412,590	\$2,618,573
Net profit	230,513	102,802	127,711
			333,315

On July 15 1920 248 stores were in operation and approximately 50, fully stocked, were waiting only for refrigerators before opening on or about Aug. 1, making a total of 300 stores.

General Balance Sheet, June 30 1920.

Cash	\$553,694	Capital stock (no par value)—	
Merchandise inventories	3,163,714	Com. Class A, 150,000 sh.	\$5,850,000
Bldg. improvements and		Com. Class B, 37,500 sh.	3,750
establishing stores	538,732	Accounts payable for mer-	
Organization expense	81,580	chandise	593,920
Rents, insurance, &c.	57,314	Undividend profits	333,315
Contracts & leases, cost	1,053,754		
Equip. of stores & offices	1,235,267	Total, each side	\$6,781,035
Autos and auto trucks	96,979		

Watkins & Co., New York, are interested. The Chicago Stock Exchange has admitted to list 25,000 additional Class A no par value stock.—V. 111, p. 195.

Pullman Company.—Rate Increase—Surcharge Opposed.

The company on June 22 filed a protest with the Inter-State Commerce Commission against the suggested re-establishment of a surcharge for occupancy in Pullman cars, saying in part:

"The Commission has recently granted the Pullman Company authority to increase its rates as of May 1 1920, approximately 20%, to offset the very great increase in expenses of all kinds, particularly wages, which has taken place during the past three years, and it is the opinion of the company, should this surcharge be revived, the benefit of this increase will be more than offset by the falling off in gross revenue, without corresponding reduction in expenses.

"The application of a surcharge of ½% per mile, the amount which was in effect from June 10 to Nov. 30 1918, would be approximately equal to the Pullman rates in effect prior to May 1 1920, would result in increasing those rates, taking into consideration the increase in Pullman fares of approximately 20%, to practically 120% over the rates in effect prior to May 1.

"It is our firm belief that such an increase would greatly discourage the use of Pullman accommodations, and while it would result in an apparent increase in revenue to the railroads, this increase would be more theoretical than actual, as there can be no doubt that large numbers of passengers who ordinarily take Pullman accommodations would travel in day coaches, resulting in a loss of revenue to the Pullman Company and to the railroads, through their participation in the Pullman Company's revenue under their contracts.

"This would be particularly true in our parlor car service, and the traveling public would undoubtedly find the expense of traveling so heavy that it would either entirely forego or greatly reduce the distance it would travel on vacation, tourist and pleasure trips."

"Exhibit A, attached, shows that for the period from March 5 to June 16 1917, our gross earnings were \$14,726,301, and for the same period in the year 1918, prior to the application of the surcharge, the gross earnings were \$16,979,554, an increase of \$2,253,254, or 15.30%, while for the period from June 17 to Sept. 29 1917, gross earnings were \$17,538,376, and for the same period in 1918, \$15,695,967, a decrease of \$1,842,409, or 10.50%. This indicates that the application of a surcharge had the effect of reducing our gross revenue 25.8%, and we have every reason to believe that the re-establishment of this surcharge would have the same effect on our gross revenues."—V. 110, p. 83.

Rand Mines, Ltd.—Gold Output (Ounces).—

1920—June—1919.	Increase.	1920—6 Mos.—1919.	Decrease.
715,917	702,379	13,578	1,101,846
		4,147,484	42,638

Rainey-Wood Coke Co., Inc.—Guaranteed Equip. Notes Offered.—

A. G. Becker & Co. and Ames, Emerich & Co., New York, Chicago, &c., are offering at prices ranging from 99.53 to 98.28% and int. yielding from 8% to 7.75%, according to maturity, \$1,000,000 7½% Equipment Trust Gold notes. (See advertising pages) Bankers State:

Guaranteed jointly and severally as to principal and interest by Alan Wood Iron & Steel Co., and W. J. Rainey, Inc. Dated Aug. 1 1920; due \$100,000 annually, Aug. 1 1921 to 1930, incl. Red. all or part on any int. date at a premium of 1% for each year or fraction thereof of the unexpired life. Not less than all of any one maturity shall be called at any one time and if less than the whole issue is called the notes of the last maturity shall be first called. Int. payable F. & A. at New York Trust Co., New York, trustee. Denom. \$1,000 (c*). Company agrees to pay the Penn. State 4 mills tax and any Federal income tax deductible at the source up to 2%.

Security.—Will be secured by 400 new all-steel coal cars, Pennsylvania R.R. Standard design, Class H-25, of 70 tons' capacity, to be manufactured by the Cambria Steel Co. and costing about \$1,410,000.

Assets.—The combined net tangible assets of the company and the two guarantor companies as of July 1 1920, were officially reported to be in excess of \$24,500,000.

Earnings.—Combined average annual net earnings from the properties of the two guarantor companies for the past six years were in excess of \$3,300,000, according to official reports. Net earnings of the Rainey-Wood Coke Co., Inc. for the first five months of 1920 averaged approximately \$70,000 per month.—Compare V. 109, p. 781.

Republic Motor Truck Co., Inc.—Earnings.—

The condensed statement of earnings of Republic Motor Truck and Torbensen Axle companies for the three months ending March 31 1920 shows: Net sales, \$5,732,170; cost, general expenses, &c., \$4,975,025; net profit, \$757,145; other income, \$143,832; total income, \$900,977; interest charges, &c., \$265,697; balance, surplus (incl. \$198,254 net profit of Torbensen Axle Co.), \$833,534. Compare "Financial Reports" above.—V. 110, p. 2663.

Riordon Corporation, Ltd.—New Directors.—

W. D. Ross, a director of the Bank of Nova Scotia and of the Nova Scotia Steel & Iron Co., and Senator W. C. Edwards, President of the Canadian Cement Co., Ltd., have been elected directors.—V. 110, p. 2663, 2573.

(William A.) Rogers, Ltd.—Accumulations.—

"The Financial Post," of Toronto, of July 9, stated that "at a recent meeting of directors the decision was made to pay off at once one quarterly dividend of 1 3/4% on account of accumulations arrears together with the regular dividend for the current quarter of 1 3/4%." [This, it is understood, will leave a total of 12 1/4% unpaid.]

The annual financial statement issued in April, showed profits for the year 1919, standing at \$526,382, as against a loss of \$5,208 in 1918.—V. 110, p. 771.

Royal Dutch Co.—Final Dividend.—

The Equitable Trust Co. has received a final dividend for 1919 of 30 guilders a share (30%) on the Common stock, equal to \$3.5425 a share on "New York and American" shares. The dividend will be payable Aug. 4 to holders of "American and New York" shares of record July 20. This distribution will make a total of 45% for the current year, 15% having been paid in January last.—V. 111, p. 79.

St. Lawrence Flour Mills, Ltd.—Extra Dividend.—

An extra dividend of 1% has been declared on the Common stock, together with the regular quarterly dividend of 1 1/2%, both payable Aug. 2 to holders of record July 20. An extra dividend of 1% has been paid quarterly since Feb. 1919 to and including May 1920.—V. 110, p. 472.

St. Louis Coke & Chemical Co.—Notes Offered.—

Brown Brothers & Co., New York, Studebaker Brothers, Ltd., Chicago and Mississippi Valley Trust Co., St. Louis, are offering at 100 and int. to net 8% according to maturity, \$1,500,000 8% Serial First Mortgage Convertible notes.

Dated June 1 1920. Maturing \$300,000 Dec. 1 1921 and \$300,000 each June 1 1922 to 1925, incl. Int. payable J. & D. at Continental & Commercial Trust & Savings Bank, Chicago, trustee, without deduction for normal Federal income tax up to 4%. Denom. \$1,000 and \$500(c*). Red. upon 60 days' notice, at 100 plus 1/2% premium for each full six months' period from date of such redemption to maturity. In event of redemption prior to maturity of less than the total issue, the earlier maturities shall be retired first. Authorized and issued, \$3,000,000. The National Enameling & Stamping Co. has contracted to purchase \$1,000,000 of this issue as an investment and \$500,000 are held in the treasury of the company.

Convertible.—Convertible at the option of the holder at Mississippi Valley Trust Co., St. Louis, on any int. date up to and incl. date of payment at maturity or redemption, on the basis of four shares of Pref. and one share of Common stock for each \$400 par value of notes.

Data from Letter of Pres. Clement Studebaker Jr., Chicago, June 30.

Company.—The company will be, on completion of its 500-ton blast furnace and 80 Roberts By-Product Coke Ovens, near Granite City, Ill., one of the principal manufacturers of iron, coke and various by-products in the St. Louis Industrial District. The plant is now nearing completion and it is expected that the blast furnace will be blown in on Aug. 15 1920.

Capitalization After This Financing

	Auth.	Issued.
8% Serial First Mortgage Convertible notes	\$3,000,000	x\$3,000,000
Preferred stock, 8% Cum. (par \$100)	10,000,000	5,000,000
Common stock (par \$5)	1,000,000	1,000,000

x \$500,000 held in the company's treasury.

Security.—Secured by a first closed mortgage on the entire property of the company which includes, in addition to its 500-ton blast furnace and the 80 coke ovens, valuable real estate, buildings, machinery and equipment, trade names, trade-marks and licenses.

Purpose.—Approximately \$5,000,000 cash will have been expended upon the property before the application of the proceeds of \$2,500,000 of this issue. The proceeds of these notes will be used to complete the plant, purchase additional equipment to further reduce operating costs and provide working capital.

Potential Operating Results.—The following figures covering estimated net earnings of the company's plant for the first full year of operation are based upon a recent report made by Alex. H. Twombly, Engineer, of New York, who has made a study of the whole situation in connection with the contracts with the National Enameling & Stamping Co., and the sale of such excess products as remain in the open market at conservative prices. This report has been checked and approved by Mr. Alex. C. Humphreys:

Gross income from sale of iron, by-products and surplus coke—\$10,659,105
Surplus revenue, available for income tax, int., &c., more than— 3,500,000

This is equivalent to more than 14 1/2 times the interest on this issue, before Federal Taxes estimated at \$1,600,000, and after taxes, balance available is about 8 times the interest requirements of this issue.

* For contracts with the National Enameling & Stamping Co., details as to protection from competition, license, description of Pref. and Common stock, &c., compare V. 109, p. 781, 686.

Shell Transport & Trading Co., Ltd.—

The Committee on Securities of the New York Stock Exchange has ruled that certificates for "American" shares be not quoted ex-Rights on July 19 1920, and not until further notice.—V. 111, p. 195, 79.

Sinclair Consolidated Oil Corp.—Syndicate Extended.—

The syndicate which underwrote the \$50,000,000 Five-Year 7 1/2% Notes (V. 110, p. 1754) has been extended to Aug. 14, in accordance with a clause in the agreement whereby expiration date could be extended a month beyond July 14.—V. 111, p. 187.

Skelly Oil Co.—Dividend No. 2.—

A quarterly dividend of 2% has been declared on the stock, payable July 31 to holders of record July 21. An initial dividend of 2% was paid in April last.

President William G. Skelly reports an income for May, exclusive of refining profits, of \$469,486. The company has 71 wells drilling, against 34 last October, and it was announced that a substantial interest has been purchased in the Midland Refining Co., the Inland Oil Co. and the Nor-tex Refining Co.

For the Ranger Gulf Corp., President Skelly reports an income from oil sales in May of \$135,502, compared with \$71,869 for April. The company has 44 producing wells and is actively drilling in Texas and Oklahoma.—V. 110, p. 1420.

South Porto Rico Sugar Co.—100% Stock Dividend on Aug. 6 to Common Stockholders of Record July 24.—

On July 1 1920 the stockholders ratified the proposed increase of the Common stock to \$12,500,000. Treas. F. M. Welty in adv. of July 14 says:

"At a meeting held this day, the board adopted resolutions providing for the transfer from 'reserve for working capital and improvements' account to 'Common capital stock' account of \$5,602,800 (in order to capitalize a part of the earnings of the company invested in the La Romana sugar factory and other improvements and development) and the full payment of 56,028 shares of the new Common stock thereby.

"The board also adopted resolutions providing for the distribution of said 56,028 shares of new Common stock (full-paid and non-assessable) to the Common stockholders pro rata (one share of new stock for each share now outstanding), such distribution to be made on Aug. 6 1920 to Common stockholders of record on July 24 1920.

This new stock will carry dividends for the current quarter, beginning July 1 1920 and ending Sept. 30 1920.—V. 111, p. 80.

Spicer Manufacturing Corporation.—Earnings.—

Net profits for the first four months of the current calendar year, after taxes and all charges, are reported at the rate of more than \$6 per share on the Common stock, which compares with \$1 37 in 1919 and \$3 88 in 1918.—V. 111, p. 80.

Standard Tank Car Co.—Equip. Notes Offered.—

Bioren & Co., Phila., and Glover & MacGregor, Pittsburgh, are offering at prices ranging from 99.05 and int. to 97.45 and int., to yield 8%, according to maturity, \$1,100,000 7% Equipment Note Trust Certificates. Circular shows:

Dated May 1 1920; maturing quarterly from Aug. 1 1920 to May 1 1923. Coupons payable Q-F. Red. at 101 and div. at any div. date. Fidelity Trust Co., Phila., trustee. Issued under Philadelphia plan. Free of normal Federal income tax up to 2%. Principal and dividends unconditionally guaranteed by Standard Tank Car Co.

Security.—Secured by title to 599 new steel underframe tank cars, of which 312 are of 8,050 gallons capacity and 287 of 10,050 gallons capacity each, costing \$1,660,542. Additionally secured by deposit with trustee of \$1,356,000 of deferred payment equipment notes of 17 different companies, issued in partial payment for these cars.

Company.—Plant located near Sharon, Pa., is turning out between 25 and 30 tank cars per day. Company is paying divs. of 8% on \$3,000,000 Pref. stock and divs. on its 100,000 shares of outstanding Common stock which is selling at between \$50 and \$60 per share. For the three months ending March 31 1920 company reports net profit from operation, after depreciation and reserve for income and excess profits taxes, of \$416,000, or at the rate of over \$1,600,000 per annum.—V. 110, p. 771.

Stromberg Carburetor Co. of Am., Inc.—Resigns.—

Allan A. Ryan has resigned as a director and Chairman of the Board.—V. 111, p. 80.

Studebaker Corp.—Removed from Detroit Exchange.—

The stocks have been removed from Detroit Stock Exchange at the request of the company. When the Common stock was increased from \$30,000,000 to \$45,000,000 (V. 109, p. 2077) the directors declined to file papers with the Michigan State Securities Commission for approval of the capital increase. The Board of Governors of Detroit Exchange announced that action was taken without prejudice to Studebaker or its securities and intended simply to conform with regulations of the Commission prohibiting trading in stocks not approved.—V. 110, p. 1978.

Thatcher Mfg. Co.—Definitive Bonds Ready.—

Trust receipts for the 10-year 7% Conv. Sinking Fund Mtgc. gold bonds are now exchangeable for the definitive bonds at the Guaranty Trust Co. of New York, trustee.—V. 110, p. 1979.

Times Square Auto Supply Co., Inc.—Listing—Earnings.

The New York Stock Exchange has authorized the listing of temporary certificates for 189,780 shares (auth. 300,000 share) of Common stock no par value, with authority to add 704 shares on official notice of issuance on conversion of outstanding 7% Cum. Pref. stock, making the total amount applied for 190,484 shares.

There is now outstanding \$17,600 of Preferred stock, which is convertible into Common stock up to and incl. July 20 1920, at rate of 4 shares of Common stock for each one share of Pref. stock. This Pref. stock has also been called for redemption on July 20 at \$115 per share.

Earnings for Calendar Years 1914 to 1919 and Six Months of 1920.

	Sales.	Net Profit.	Fed. Tax
1914-a	\$943,972	\$128,345	-----
1915-a	1,182,870	226,307	-----
1916-a	1,338,803	188,158	-----
1917	2,076,957	445,053	-----
1918	2,034,407	102,632	\$30,512
1919	3,985,154	280,441	105,903
1920 (six months)	2,388,544	311,142 (est.)	40,000

a Combined earnings of the Times Square Automobile Co. and the firm of Froelch, Mansbach & Froehlich, later taken over by the Times Square Auto Supply Co., Inc. x After deducting Federal taxes. y Loss.—V. 110, p. 2083.

Trumbull Steel Co., Warren, O.—To Reduce Par of Common Stock from \$100 to \$25—25% Stock Dividend.—

The stockholders will vote Aug. 16 on reducing the par value of the Common stock from \$100 to \$25 per share. The par value of the Pref. stock will remain at \$100 per share.

President Jonathan Warner in a letter to the stockholders July 14, says: "Directors have been considering the subject of the readjustment of the capital stock and have given serious consideration to the various plans by which this could be accomplished. They felt that at this time some initial distribution of the surplus, which is now considerable, should be made through the medium of a Common stock dividend, and thus a part of this surplus would be transferred to permanent capital account, which in their opinion, would be advantageous to both Common and Preferred stockholders; furthermore, it was the opinion that the par value of the Common shares should be reduced to a smaller unit basis, as above.

"At a lower par value the employees and others would be able to purchase stock with a much smaller investment than is possible at the present value, and the shares would thus command a broader and better market. The lower par plan has been adopted recently by many large corporations. It can be carried out at a great saving to the stockholders, and will accomplish practically the same results as any of the other plans considered.

"Accordingly, the directors on July 7 unanimously declared a stock dividend of 25%, payable on July 20 to the Common stockholders of record July 7."

The directors have provided that fractional shares shall be adjusted on the basis of \$160 a share, allowing stockholders either to purchase fractions at the rate of \$160 a share through the Dollar Savings & Trust Co., Youngstown, Ohio, not later than July 31 1920, or to receive payment for their fractional share as soon thereafter as practicable.—V. 111, p. 196.

Union Bag & Paper Corporation.—Status.—

Chase & Co., 19 Congress St., Boston, have issued a circular describing the company and its subsidiary, the St. Maurice Paper Co., Ltd., and reporting the earnings and balance sheet to April 30 1920 as furnished to the New York Stock Exchange.—V. 110, p. 2200, 2083.

United States Glass Co.—No Extra Dividend.—

A quarterly dividend of \$1 per share has been declared on the stock, payable July 26 to holders of record July 17. In April last an extra dividend of 50 cents was paid, together with the regular dividend of \$1.—V. 110, p. 1650.

United States Rubber Co.—Sells \$20,000,000 Ten-Year 7 1/2% Notes.—

The company has sold Kuhn, Loeb & Co. \$20,000,000 Ten-Year 7 1/2% notes, secured by \$25,000,000 6% bonds, issued under the 1st & Ref. Mtgo. of Jan. 2 1917.

Owing to the present time being unfavorable for the placing of long term bonds on advantageous terms, the directors felt that it was in the interest of the company to borrow upon the bonds for a shorter period of time rather than to sell them under existing conditions. Company does not contemplate any further financing at this time.

The proceeds of these notes, with the current surplus earnings, will give the company sufficient funds for the completion of the plant extensions now in progress at Detroit, Hartford, Providence and Indianapolis, for the increase of the company's tire production, which is far below the demand.—V. 110, p. 1755.

United States Ship Corp.—Exchange of Stock, &c.—

It is stated that stockholders of the United States Steamship Co. and the United States Transport Co., each capitalized at \$25,000,000, are to receive four shares of U. S. Ship Corp. stock for each five shares held in either of the old companies. The U. S. Ship Corp. was organized in Maine June 12 with an authorized capital of \$40,000,000 to take over both these companies.

Pres. H. F. Morse is credited with saying that the U. S. Transport Co. at present operating 15 ships of about 150,000 deadweight tonnage, is engaged in fulfilling contracts for transportation of more than 750,000 tons of coal at an attractive figure, made with the Italian Ministry of Shipping and with the Consortium Charbonnier Fluvial et Maritime of Paris, the latter representing some of the principal manufacturers of Paris. Homeward bound, the ships run as tramps, picking up whatever cargo is available. Mr. Morse states that the company is considering engaging in the more profitable passenger service.

George E. Macomber, President of the Augusta (Me.) Trust Co., and William Guggenheim, of New York, have been elected directors.—V. 110, p. 2664.

United States Steel Corporation.—Unfilled Orders.—

See "Trade and Traffic Movements" on a preceding page of this issue.—V. 110, p. 2664.

United States Steamship Co.—Merger, &c.—

See United States Ship Corporation above.—V. 110, p. 2664.

United Verde Extension Mining Co.—Output (Lbs.).—

1920—June—1919.	Increase.	1920—6 Mos.—1919.	Increase.
2,828,020	2,806,710	21,310	19,950,554
		8,091,218	11,859,336

Utica Gas & Electric Co.—Bonds Offered.—Harris, Forbes & Co., New York, are offering at 98 and int. yielding 8% \$1,700,000 7½% Five-Year Gen. Mtge. Gold bonds.

Dated March 1 1920. Due March 1 1925. Int. payable M. & S. in New York. Callable on any int. date on 6 weeks' notice in blocks of not less than \$200,000 at 103 and int. on or prior to March 1 1922; at 102 and int. thereafter to and including March 1 1924, and at 101 and int. thereafter. Denom. \$500 and \$1,000 (c*). Central Union Trust Co., New York, trustee. Convertible on any int. date to and incl. maturity or redemption date into an equal amount par value of 7% 15 year General Mortgage Gold bonds (Series "B") dated March 1 1920 (none of which are outstanding). Company agrees to pay interest without deduction for any normal Federal income tax to an amount not exceeding 2% which it may lawfully pay at the source and to refund the present Penn. 4 mill tax.

Data from Letter of Pres. F. M. Tait, Dated Utica, N. Y., July 12 1920.

Company.—Conducts all the commercial electric light and power business and the entire gas business in Utica, Little Falls and other communities located in the Mohawk Valley, population served (est.), 200,000. Power plants have an installed capacity of about 41,000 k. w. of which over 21,000 k. w. is hydro electric. Company's water power sites and water power rights are owned in fee. About 70% of operating income is derived from the electric light and power business. Gross earnings from this source increased over 121% since 1914.

Capitalization Outstanding After this Financing.

Capital stock (paying 10% dividends)	\$2,000,000
Bonds: 7½% 5 Y. Gen. M. Gold bonds (Series "A") (this issue)	1,700,000
Ref. & Ext. Mtge. 5s, due 1957 (closed except for refunding \$390,000 div. bonds)	4,610,000
Underlying Divisional bonds (three issues, due 1930, 1942, 1949)	2,187,000
x \$300,000 additional are in escrow with trustee and may only be issued when net earnings are equal to twice the annual interest on all outstanding bonds, including those proposed. y There are also \$203,000 additional held alive in sinking fund.	

Purpose.—Proceeds will be used to reimburse company in part for expenditures made for additions and extensions to its property which have been largely incurred in the construction of the new 12,800 k. w. extension to the hydro electric plant at Trenton Falls.

Earnings Year ended May 31 1920.

Gross earnings	\$2,522,973
Net after maintenance and taxes (not incl. depreciation)	937,767
Annual interest on bonds with public, including this issue	467,350
Balance, surplus	470,417

Wayagamack Pulp & Paper Co., Ltd.—Div. Increased.

Press reports state that the directors have increased the dividend rate on the Common stock from 4 to 6%.—V. 110, p. 1858.

Western Union Telegraph Co.—Earnings for 6 Months

	6 mos. end. 3 mos. end. June 30 '20.	Mar. 31 '20
Gross revenues, incl. divs. and int. received	\$59,955,000	\$28,650,000
Maintenance—Repairs and reserve for deprec.	7,881,000	3,975,000
Other operating expenses, incl. rent of leased lines, taxes and employees' income participation	44,454,000	20,792,000
Interest on bonded debt	666,000	333,000
Net income	\$6,954,000	\$3,550,000

* Month of June estimated.

Operations for 1919 period not stated for comparison company under Federal control in 1919 and corporate income derived from compensation for use of land line system, income from Atlantic cable system, and dividends and interest.—V. 111, p. 80.

Wheeling Steel Corporation.—Amalgamation Plan Operative.—

The stockholders of La Belle Iron Works, Wheeling Steel & Iron Co. and Whitaker-Glessner Co. (see V. 110, p. 2393) have approved the plan tentatively outlined in "Chronicle" of June 19, p. 2578, in accordance with which the Wheeling Steel Corporation was incorporated in Delaware on or about June 21 for the purpose of bringing about "identity of interest and unity in control while retaining the separate organization of each corporation as it now exists."

If all of the stock in each corporation be exchanged for stock in the new company on the basis below shown, the relative participation will be as follows: The stockholders of Whitaker-Glessner Co. will have 37.35% stockholders of La Belle Iron Works 41.49%, and stockholders of Wheeling Steel & Iron Co. 21.16%, resulting, approximately, as follows:

Capitalization of Wheeling Steel Corporation If All Old Stocks are Exchanged.

	Authorized.	Now Iss'ble.
Common stock, par \$100	\$70,000,000	\$10,112,099
Convertible Preferred stocks differing only as to dividends rates for 15 years—		
Pref. A (par \$100) 8% cum. (2% qu. beg. Oct. 1 '20)	30,000,000	1,311,900
Pref. B, par \$100, 10% cum. till Oct. 1 '35, then 8%		22,550,766
Funded debt: La Belle, \$2,421,000 (V. 101, p. 2075; V. 102, p. 607); Wheeling, \$2,308,574 (V. 101, p. 375, 4567); Whitaker-Glessner, \$2,825,500 (V. 102, p. 1353)		7,555,074

Offer of Exchange Made by Wheeling Steel Corporation June 23 1920.

Amalgamation.—Representatives of La Belle Iron Works, Wheeling Steel & Iron Co. and Whitaker-Glessner Co., recognizing the advantages to be gained by bringing the operations of these three companies into a closed alliance, have united in organizing, under the laws of Delaware, the "Wheeling Steel Corporation." The committee which obtained the charter and organized the co. consisted of Alex. Glass, R. C. Kirk and Isaac M. Scott.

Stock Rights.—This corporation will have three classes of stock, each having the par value of \$100 and entitling the owner to one vote with the right to cumulate in the election of directors.

The "A" Pref. stock is preferred over the Common stock as to cumulative cash dividends of 2% each quarter, beginning Oct. 1 1920. The "B" Pref. stock is preferred over the Common stock as to cumulative cash dividends of

2½% each quarter, beginning Oct. 1 1920. The two classes of Preferred stock are jointly preferred over the Common stock up to their full par value upon the liquidation of the company.

The only difference between the "A" Preferred and the "B" Preferred stocks is that for 15 years the "B" Preferred stock will be entitled to an additional dividend of ½ of 1% each quarter. At the end of 15 years the "B" Preferred stock will automatically become "A" Preferred stock, unless immediately retired by the company.

Call Feature.—Each class of the Preferred stock is subject to retirement as a whole at the price of \$135 per share and accrued dividends, at the option of the company, by a majority vote of the Common stock and after 60 days' notice by mail to each holder. But the company is not entitled to call in the "A" Preferred stock before July 1 1927 or the "B" Pref. stock before July 1 1935.

Convertible Rights.—The holder of any shares of Preferred stock may convert all or any number of them into Common stock, share for share, at any time before July 1 1927; and if a stock dividend is declared before that date every stockholder entitled to the conversion privilege must receive 60 days' notice, within which time he may convert his Preferred stock and get the benefit of the stock dividend.

Terms of Exchange.—This corporation does not now propose to own or operate any plants, but will for the time being merely issue shares of its capital stock in exchange for shares of stock of the three operating companies above named, on the following basis of comparative values, which has been carefully worked out by Price, Waterhouse & Co. after a thorough examination of the books of the three companies.

His schedule and offer are based on the assumption that La Belle Iron Works will first increase its Common capital stock 66 2-3%, that Wheeling Steel & Iron Co. will first increase its capital stock 45%, and that Whitaker-Glessner Co. will first increase its Common capital stock 17½% [by transferring the necessary amounts from their respective surplus accounts to capital stock accounts; in other words, declaring stock dividend of the percentages indicated on their Common shares and thus increasing their outstanding Common stock as shown in following table—Ed.]

The Wheeling Steel Corporation, upon request prior to Aug. 15 1920, will issue for each share of stock [par \$100] of the several companies, when increased as aforesaid, its own \$100 shares as follows:

Existing Stock—	As Now.	As Increased.	New Stock—	In Exchange.
\$9,915,400	\$9,915,400	La Belle Pref. stock... 1 sh.	"B" Pref. stk.,	\$9,915,400
9,915,400	16,525,667	La Belle Com. stock... 1 share	Com. stk.,	16,525,667
9,292,680	13,474,386	Wheeling stock... (a) ⅝ sh.	"B" Pref.,	5,052,895
			(b) ⅝ sh. Com. stk.,	8,421,491
1,311,900	1,311,900	Whitaker-Glessner Preferred stock... 1 share of "A" Pref. stock,	1,311,900	
19,359,500	22,747,412	do Com. stk. (1-3 sh. "B" Pref. stk.,	7,582,471	
		(b) 2-3 sh. Com. stk.,	15,164,941	

* These tabulated (unofficial) figures have been inserted by Editor but are known to be substantially correct.

This offer does not depend upon the assent of the holders of any special proportion of the stock of the operating companies, and the acceptance by any stockholder within the period named will be final. This company reserves the right to reject any subscription or assent not filed with it prior to Aug. 15 1920.

[For earnings, &c., of Wheeling and La Belle cos. see "Financial Reports" above and for description of plants, products, &c., see V. 110, p. 2578.]

The officers and directors are announced as follows:

Officers: Isaac M. Scott, President of the Wheeling Steel & Iron Co., President; Andrew Glass, D. A. Burt and W. H. Abbott, Vice-Presidents; D. A. Burt, Secretary and Treasurer.

Executive Committee: Alexander Glass, Chairman of the Executive Committee; A. H. Woodward, Vice-Chairman; C. R. Hubbard, A. C. Whitaker, J. J. Holloway, E. C. Ewing, Isaac M. Scott, and R. C. Kirk.

Directors: one-year term, 1921, Howard Hazlett, F. M. Work, E. W. Oglebay, Isaac M. Scott, A. C. Whitaker and Joseph Coudon; two-year term, 1922, Edward Hazlett, N. P. Whitaker, Andrew Glass, A. H. Woodward, D. A. Burt and E. C. Ewing; three-year term, 1923, J. M. Clarke, Alexander Glass, William F. Stifel, W. H. Abbott, R. C. Kirk, C. R. Hubbard and J. J. Holloway.—V. 111, p. 200.

Wheeling Steel & Iron Co.—Amalgamation Plans—

Stock Dividend—Annual Report.—

See Wheeling Steel Corporation above and "Financial Reports" on a preceding page.—V. 111, p. 200.

Whitaker-Glessner Co.—Amalgamation Plans—Stock Div.

See Wheeling Steel Corporation above.—V. 111, p. 200.

Willys-Overland Co.—New Directors—Earnings.—

Elisha Walker of Blair & Co. has been elected a director, it is reported. Earnings are running at the rate of about \$12,000,000 a year. This is in excess of any other year in the company's history.

The regular quarterly dividend of 1% has been declared on the Common stock, payable Aug. 2. Treasurer Frank K. Dolbeer is quoted as saying that the company's present policy is to strengthen its financial position and that an increase in the dividend rate at this time is not considered advisable.—V. 110, p. 2664.

Wright Aeronautical Corp.—Court Enjoins Use or Sale of Aircraft under Wright Patents—Foreign Planes Barred in U. S.

Judge Thomas I. Chatfield in the U. S. District Court, Brooklyn, has handed down a decision in favor of the Wright Aeronautical Corp. of Paterson, N. J., holder of the patent rights of Orville and Wilbur Wright and perpetually prohibits the *Interallied Aircraft Corp. of New York* from using or selling foreign airplanes in this country.

The plan of British interests to flood this country with thousands of obsolete British war airplanes at practically junk prices, thereby crippling American aircraft manufacturers, thus appears to be defeated by Judge Chatfield's decision.

Another suit is now pending against the Aerial Transport Corp. of Delaware, which has planned to bring over here half of the British surplus, which consists of about 15,000 airplanes and from 20,000 to 30,000 motors.—V. 110, p. 1858.

CURRENT NOTICES

—Following the dissolution on May 1 by mutual consent of the firm of McCurdy, Henderson & Co., composed of Robert H. McCurdy, Norman Henderson, Louis E. Hatzfeld and Norman H. Donald, the firm of Henderson & Co., composed of Norman Henderson, Louis E. Hatzfeld and Norman H. Donald, general partners, and Robert H. McCurdy, special partner, was formed as a limited partnership, to take over and continue the business at the same address, 24 Nassau St., New York.

—"New York State Income Tax Individuals." This is the title of a 50-page pamphlet issued by The Equitable Trust Company of New York, through its Income Tax Department, Franklin Carter, Manager. The pamphlet contains along with an index the complete text of the law relating to the income tax on individuals, with all amendments made in the 1920 session of the legislature adjourned April 24 1920. Amendments are in italics and were approved as indicated.

—Charles L. Morse, Charles Allen Bliss and Bulkeley Smith announce the formation of a partnership under the name of Morse, Bliss & Smith, to deal in high-grade investment securities, in the offices formerly occupied by Charles L. Morse at 822 Slater Building, Worcester, Mass.

—Ransom N. Kalbfleisch and Ernest C. Rollins, both members of the New York Stock Exchange, announce the formation of a partnership to be known as Rollins, Kalbfleisch & Co., for the transaction of a general commission and investment business at 66 Broadway, New York.

—The Central Union Trust Co. of N. Y. has been appointed transfer agent of Class "A" stock of D. W. Griffith, Inc., and has been appointed registrar of the preferred and common stock of Thatcher Manufacturing Co.

—The Columbia Trust Co. has been appointed trustee of \$300,000 S. S. Stafford, Inc., first refunding mortgage 20-year 8% gold bonds.

—The Guaranty Trust Co. of N. Y. has been appointed transfer agent of preferred stock of the Southwestern Bell Telephone Co.

The Commercial Times.

COMMERCIAL EPITOME

Friday Night, July 16, 1920.

Wholesale and jobbing trade is as a rule slow under existing conditions. The story would be different were it not for the scarcity of cars, which entails a shortage of fuel and raw materials, in the big manufacturing centres of the United States. But unfortunately these drawbacks have been but little relieved. As for retail trade however, warm weather has stimulated it to some extent; also reductions in prices whether they have been as marked as appears on the surface or not. The clothing trades are the dullest. Building is if anything slower. Collections are not so prompt. How could they be with transportation so slow and deliveries of goods and liquidation of accounts so difficult? Another unpleasant feature is the increase in the number of failures. Foreign exchange is also lower. Money continues tight. Call longs have advanced at times. There has been rather too much rain for the spring wheat crop in parts of the Northwest. People are limiting their purchases of merchandise; they smart under the persistent high cost of living, which by the way exists all over the world as a sinister aftermath of the war. The cotton crop looks better, but it is a question whether the outlook yet promises and adequate yield; opinion is divided on this point. The raw silk trade is still depressed. Cotton goods have declined. Not few cotton and woolen mills are running on short time.

On the other hand, iron and steel business would be brisk if transportation could be had. And it is a fact that goods are beginning to arrive more freely at the seaboard. The crops in the main look well. The corn crop is rapidly gaining. Winter wheat harvesting is nearing its close, and spring wheat in the main looks well. There will be a good crop of oats; that of hay is the largest ever known. Pastures are in promising condition, and also the great Western ranges. It looks as though the feeding crops would be bountiful, and that meat will be cheapened during the coming season. Thus far there seems to have been some gain in the cotton crop which is unusual in July. Raw cotton has risen to 42c. for July on a sharp demand for that delivery. The cotton trade is cheered by more favorable accounts from Lancashire, which in turn is encouraged by a favorable monsoon in East India, pointing to an increased buying power of its largest customer for cotton goods. There is even said to be a boom in cotton fabrics at Bombay. Business in hides at American markets is better at lower prices, and there is rather more activity in wool, though there is nothing like the business that was done in the heyday of war activity. The bane of American business life at the moment is the breaking down of the transportation system of this country, or, in other words, the inability of the railroads to supply the requisite number of cars to keep American business moving at a normal pace. Aside from this American trade is in no bad shape.

It is stated that with the exception of some cotton destined for New England points practically all the freight piled up on the coastwise steamship piers here during the longshoremen's strike has now been removed. Most of the longshoremen on the piers of the Oriental Navigation Co. here returned to work despite a reported strike of 1,000 union men. Although the union leaders declared the men would not handle a cargo loaded by non-union truckmen; the company said they would have to and it was backed up by the United States Shipping Board. The National Wholesale Dry Goods Association says that fall cancellations by the retail trade have amounted to about 5%, and have now nearly ceased, owing to the better feeling among country merchants. At New Orleans the embargo on grain has been lifted. There are 900 cars of grain on the track there. The U. S. Shipping Board has found no buyers for twenty-one wooden ships, bids on which recently were invited. The wooden craft were among those built as a part of the war program and aggregated 82,800 deadweight tons.

Last week 13,161 immigrants arrived at Ellis Island, the highest number for any one week since June 1914. Over two thousand tons of Danish butter arrived here on the 12th instant from Copenhagen consigned to American importers. High prices here make an attractive market for European dairy interests. At Cohoes, N. Y. where there is a strike in the knitting mills, workers are slowly drifting back to the plants despite the close picketing of the mills by the unions. A strike in Paterson, N. J. silk mills is said to be imminent. The workers demand a maintenance of wages and working concessions, but the collapse in the silk trade has forced manufacturers to reduce wages.

Announcement has been made that a committee of creditors has taken over the business of the Bauman Clothing Corporation, manufacturers of boys clothing of this city and Springfield, Mass. Cancellations of orders and labor troubles are given as the reasons for the difficulty, which is believed to be only temporary. The London "Economist" index number of British commodity prices declined 352 points in June to 7,847, the lowest since January. The high record, 8,352 was reached in March. An act of the New Jersey legislature requiring landlords to give notice to vacate to monthly tenants three months in advance of the time set for vacating is held unconstitutional by Justice Parker, of the New Jersey Supreme Court.

LARD lower; prime western 18.60 a 18.70c.; refined to the Continent 21.75c.; South American 22c.; Brazil in kegs 23c. Futures were at first inclined to be firm with grain especially as packers bought on a fair scale. Yet at times July deliveries on meants have been more or less depressed owing to the dullness of the cash trade. Later on prices fell with hogs and grain partly on selling on stop orders. Today prices advanced but they are lower than a week ago.

DAILY CLOSING PRICES OF LARD FUTURES IN CHICAGO.

	Sat.	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thurs.	Fri.
July delivery.....cts.	19.10	18.95	18.55	18.17	17.85	18.25
September delivery.....	19.85	19.70	19.30	18.87	18.55	18.95
October delivery.....	20.20	20.05	19.65	19.17	-----	-----

PORK quiet and lower; mess, \$35@36; family, \$46@50; July closed at \$26 50 a decline of \$2 for the week. Beef steady; mess, \$18@19; packet, \$19@20; extra India mess, \$32@33; No. 1 and 2, canned roast beef \$3 25, Cut meats slightly lower; 10 to 20 lbs., 31 7/8@34 1/2c.; picnic, 18 3/8@19 5/8c.; pickled bellies 6 to 12 lbs., 27@28c. Butter, creamery extras, 56 1/4@57c. Cheese, flats, 20@28 1/2c. Eggs, fresh gathered extras, 52@53 1/2c.

COFFEE on the spot quiet and lower; Rio No. 7, 13 1/4@13 1/2c. No. 4 Santos 19 1/4@20 1/2c.; fair to good Cucuta 18 1/2@19c. Futures declined with prices at Santos. That market is the key of the present situation. Higher prices at Rio and frost in that district, i. e., 32 to 52 degrees, were overshadowed by the weakness at Santos. The world's visible supply statement as of July 1st, showed a decrease of 362,278 bags to 6,909,970 bags. If the correction in the Brazilian stocks had been taken into account it would have brought the "visible" down to 6,675,970 bags. In any case, it is the smallest total, it seems, since 1901. The yearly production of mild coffee is said not to exceed 6,000,000 bags. The world's visible supply on July 1 1919 is said to have been about 14,000,000 bags, and now about 6,750,000 bags. But statistics play little part in the making of prices—just now. Later prices broke again. Notices for July delivery were stated at from 17,500 to 20,000 bags, or about 80,000 bags this month. There were rumors of a failure in Santos, which are mentioned merely for what they are worth. They had a more or less unsettling influence here; the selling told. To-day prices fell and they end lower for the week. Quotations were as follows:

July.....	12.57@12.65	December.....	11.67@11.69	March.....	11.74@11.75
September.....	11.59@11.60	January.....	11.70@11.71	May.....	11.79@11.80

SUGAR.—Raw on the spot weaker. Foreign sugar has been arriving freely. Centrifugal 96 degrees test Cuban and Porto Rican 18.56c. Spot sugar was rather quiet though on the other hand it was not pressed for sale in the fore part of the week. Last week the sales are said to have reached 160,000 bags. Early in the week Cuba was held at 17 3/4c. cost and freight. Peru molasses sugar of 89 degrees test sold at 14 1/2c. e. i. f. to a moderate extent. Cuba it is said needs rain badly for the growing crop. Later raw sugar was easier. Cuba sold at 17 1/2c. e. & f. Venezuela, centrifugal afloat at 17.25c. e. i. f.; Porto Rico, July shipment at 18.31c. e. i. f. Futures declined partly on selling by Wall St., Havana and importing interests in a rather small market. Outside sugars is competing with Cuba. The New York Coffee & Sugar Clearing Association announced that members will be required to maintain an original margin per contract of sugar upon their net interest in their contracts with the Association as follows: Upon a net interest exceeding 500 contracts and not over 1,000 contracts of sugar, \$1,500 per contract upon such excess. Upon a net interest exceeding 1,000 contracts of sugar, \$2,000 per contract upon such excess. This ruling is to take effect on clearance sheets filed on the afternoon of Monday, July 19. To-day future prices declined with the close 110 points lower for the week.

July.....	16.61@16.65	September.....	16.61@16.65	January.....	13.35@13.45
August.....	16.61@16.65	December.....	15.05@15.15		

OILS.—Linseed in small demand but steady; carloads \$1 50@1 60; five bbl. or more \$1 56@1 66; less than five bbls. \$1 53@1 63 Coconut oil, Ceylon bbls., 15 3/4@16 1/2c.; Cochin, 16@16 1/2c; Olive \$3 10@\$3 25. Corn car lots 18c. Lard strained winter lower at \$1 35. Cod, domestic steady at \$1 05@1 10, Newfoundland \$1 15@1 20. Spirits of turpentine \$1 59 Common to good strained rosin \$12 50.

PETROLEUM steady and in brisk demand; refined in bbls. 23.50@24.50c.; bulk, 13.50@14.50c.; cases, 26@27c. Gasoline active and steady; steel bbls., 30c.; consumers 32c.; gas machines, 49c. Oklahoma and California are striving for oil production supremacy. Oklahoma according to the latest U. S. Geological Survey is slightly in the lead. In Oklahoma, according to the statement there are at present 25,000 wells producing either oil or gas. The daily production for the month of May in that State averaged 284,032 bbls., against 278,581 for California. California however exceeded Oklahoma in daily production during January and February of 1920 and has produced approximately 275,000 bbls. more than Oklahoma during the first five months of 1920. On the other hand production from California, which is approximately the same amount as that from Oklahoma comes from 9,300 wells, as against Oklahoma's 25,000 wells, and therefore, the average per well is much greater in California. The wells average 30 bbls. per day in California. At the present time there are 1500 wells being drilled in Oklahoma and less than 400 being drilled in California. A 500 bbl. well in the extension of the Cnshing field in Payne County, Oklahoma, was brought in, in the early part of the week at 3,000 foot level with a flow of 4,000,000 to 5,000,000 feet of gas in addition

to the oil. Reports received by the Department of Labor say that 10,000 workers in the petroleum field around Tampico, Mexico, have struck for a wage increase of 75%. Quotations follow:

Pennsylvania	\$6 10	Indiana	\$3 63	Strawn	\$3 00
Corning	1 25	Princeton	3 77	Thrall	3 00
Cabell	4 17	Illinois	3 77	Healdton	2 75
Somerset, 32 deg.	4 00	Plymouth	3 98	Moran	3 00
and above	4 00	Kansas & Okla-	3 50	Henrietta	3 00
Ragland	2 10	homa	3 50	Caddo, La., light	3 50
Wooster	4 05	Corsicana, light	3 00	Caddo, crude	2 50
North Lima	3 73	Corsicana, heavy	1 75	De Soto	3 40
South Lima	3 73	Electra	3 50		

RUBBER lower and quiet; smoked ribbed sheets 33 @ 33 1/2c. first latex crepe 33c. Para quiet and lower at 34 3/4 a 35c. for up river fine. Centrals quiet and unchanged at 23c. for Corinto.

OCEAN FREIGHTS have remained quiet, though cars are more plentiful and merchandise moves more freely from the interior to the seaports. The truth is, however, that trade is slow, though permits for export shipments are more easily obtainable than for many months past. Coal is still and high, i. e., \$17 to \$20 a ton.

Cereals included 29,000 quarters grain from Atlantic range to Bordeaux, Dunkirk or Antwerp at 14s. option Marseilles, 15s. 6d. July-August; from Port Hastings, C. B. to Copenhagen, \$18 July; coal from Atlantic range to Adriatic \$21 July; to Buenos Ayres, \$12 50 July; coal from Atlantic range to Copenhagen or Gothenburg \$17 July; sulphur from Sabine to Leixoes and Oporto, \$20 Aug.-Sept.; coal from Virginia to West coast of South America \$9 back; sugar from Caibarien to Philadelphia 38 1/2c. July; Guano from Lobos Islands to Galveston-Boston, range \$15 July; sulphur from Freeport or Texas City to three ports Sweden \$21 August; coal from Virginia to Rio Janeiro \$11 prompt; to River Plata \$12 prompt; deals from anada to West Britain or East Ireland 250s.; clipped oats from Buenos Ayres or La Plata to United Kingdom 100s., unclipped 110s. July.

TOBACCO is between season and devoid of striking features. An ordinary routine business is in progress as usual at this time of the year and prices are uniformly steady. The outlook for business this fall in both domestic and foreign tobacco is very generally regarded as promising.

COPPER steady at 19c. for electrolytic. There is a good domestic and foreign demand. Although the market for scrap copper has recently advanced dealers are not inclined to sell, owing to the belief that there will be an upward movement in the copper trade in the near future. British copper stocks, totaling 21,743 tons at the end of June, showed an increase of 5,707 tons over May. Tin more active and higher, in sympathy with an advance in London prices. Spot tin here 50.50c. Lead quiet and unchanged at 8c. Zinc higher at 7.90@8c. for spot St. Louis.

PIG IRON has been firm for prompt delivery but at the same time is no great demand for the last half of 1920. Spot iron is in demand as might naturally be expected, but it is noticeable that buyers are chary about purchasing for the rest of this year, particularly the fourth quarter. In a word the trade is more or less dislocated in the presence of car and fuel scarcity and high prices which might not stand the test of better transportation and larger supplies of coke. Of coke the output is said to be smaller and prices higher. There can be no disguising the fact that the iron trade is still in an unfortunate predicament. Coke for prompt delivery is said to have sold as high as \$19 this week; bituminous coal at the mines \$10 to \$12. Steel making irons are strong. Basic and Bessemer iron at Pittsburgh have advanced \$1. The central West complains of a scarcity of basic.

STEEL business is still badly hampered by the shortage of cars, fuel and raw material. And some of the big mills have notified the authorities that the continuance of the priority orders as to coal which hit steel interests so hard, will simply mean that many mills will have to shut down. New orders for steel are naturally small. Export demand has also fallen off and prices in some cases seem a bit weaker. Wire products in some cases have been advanced nearly \$5 a ton. Common iron bars in the Pittsburgh district are \$5. Some reports state that while shapes and plates are rather weak sheets are very firm. But bars sold at 3.50c. at the mill.

COTTON

Friday Night, July 16 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 23,481 bales, against 24,959 bales last week and 27,337 bales the previous week, making the total receipts since Aug. 1 1919 6,764,802 bales, against 5,853,736 bales for the same period of 1918-19, showing an increase since Aug. 1 1919 of 911,066 bales.

Receipts at—	Sat.	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thurs.	Fri.	Total
Galveston	868	257	807	876	100	468	3,376
Texas City		113			47		160
Pt. Arthur, &c.							
New Orleans	1,903	5,038	1,465	2,150	811	3,086	14,453
Mobile				220	4	224	448
Pensacola							
Jacksonville							
Savannah	451	232	392	261	85	558	1,979
Brunswick							
Charleston	90		54				144
Wilmington	17	56	44			4	121
Norfolk	110	177	84	145	321	446	1,283
N'port News, &c.						38	38
New York		389					389
Boston	207	78		208	196	25	714
Baltimore						301	301
Philadelphia					75		75
Totals this week.	3,646	6,340	2,846	3,860	1,639	5,150	23,481

The following table shows the week's total receipts, the total since Aug. 1 1919 and the stocks to-night, compared with last year.

Receipts to July 16.	1919-20.		1918-19.		Stock.	
	This Week.	Since Aug 1 1919.	This Week.	Since Aug 1 1918.	1920.	1919.
Galveston	3,376	2,094,845	36,064	1,913,650	113,869	195,280
Texas City	160	342,836	422	120,067	25,041	24,757
Aransas Pass		1,801				
Port Arthur, &c.		101,517		53,527		
New Orleans	14,453	1,346,576	23,556	1,578,205	270,333	357,247
Mobile	448	262,374	2,526	152,886	1,705	22,764
Pensacola		15,795		9,812		
Jacksonville		20,089		76		
Savannah	1,979	1,297,179	20,060	1,102,658	3,739	10,500
Brunswick		160,137		145,180	70,763	218,632
Charleston	144	443,891	6,589	213,307	2,719	29,000
Wilmington	121	142,746	2,949	148,652	240,598	53,328
Norfolk	1,283	344,495	5,798	326,881	35,815	63,101
N'port News, &c.	38	4,410	67	3,549	33,597	95,473
New York	389	29,036	440	11,575		
Boston	714	46,264	404	29,905	28,696	90,267
Baltimore	301	89,912	118	20,961	6,629	9,088
Philadelphia	75	20,899	75	1,277	6,123	6,581
Totals	23,481	6,764,802	109,144	5,853,736	844,556	1,180,935

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	3,376	36,064	7,194	12,629	8,861	12,400
Texas City, &c.	160	422	186	43	377	
New Orleans	14,453	23,556	7,391	4,567	13,602	7,399
Mobile	448	2,526	1,794	581	3,451	246
Savannah	1,979	20,060	10,271	11,066	5,173	4,934
Brunswick		10,000	2,000	2,500	3,659	
Charleston, &c.	144	6,589	373	236	1,003	98
Wilmington	121	2,949	325	138	580	234
Norfolk	1,283	5,798	1,217	2,950	2,495	1,537
N'port N., &c.	38	67				
All others	1,479	1,113	2,644	6,955	5,254	475
Total this wk.	23,481	109,144	33,395	41,665	44,455	27,303
Since Aug. 1	6,764,802	5,853,736	5,749,501	6,844,027	7,094,672	10,388,954

The exports for the week ending this evening reach a total of 29,040 bales, of which 11,539 were to Great Britain, 5,399 to France and 17,102 to other destinations. Below are the exports for the week and since Aug. 1 1919:

Exports from—	Week ending July 16 1920. Exported to—				From Aug. 1 1919 to July 16 1920. Exported to—			
	Great Britain.	France.	Other.	Total.	Great Britain.	France.	Other.	Total.
Galveston	10,488		5,176	15,664	1,329,027	108,681	490,521	1,928,229
Texas City					230,064	20,934		250,998
Houston					70,284			70,284
Pt. Nogalez							325	325
San Antonio							70	70
El Paso							15	15
New Orleans			6,114	6,114	489,958	124,743	683,071	1,297,772
Mobile					91,054	25,216	5,197	121,467
Pensacola					19,013			19,013
Jacksonville					21,614		100	21,714
Savannah			2,914	2,914	306,067	208,346	648,009	1,162,422
Brunswick					176,796			176,796
Charleston					94,263	19,149	29,727	143,139
Wilmington					29,363	16,847	113,582	159,792
Norfolk	750			750	114,788	2,955	47,250	164,993
New York	166	399	1,759	2,324	9,788	21,427	172,015	203,230
Boston	60			60	15,406	403	6,100	21,909
Baltimore			500	500	5,015	612	6,135	11,762
Philadelphia	75			75	3,555	1,700	8,023	13,278
Providence								375
San Fran.			516	516			122,430	122,430
Los Angeles							2,164	12,408
Seattle			123	123			276,204	276,204
Tacoma							56,702	56,702
Portl'd, Ore.							39,221	39,221
Total	11,539	399	17,102	29,040	3,016,674	551,013	2,706,861	6,274,548
Tot. '18-'19	77,597	4,658	43,619	125,874	2,561,353	755,443	2,011,728	5,328,524
Tot. '17-'18	11,290	5,011	25,707	42,008	2,231,269	639,922	1,306,682	4,177,873

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.

July 16 at—	On Shipboard, Not Cleared for—					Leaving Stock.
	Great Britain.	France.	Germany.	Other Cont.	Coast-wise.	
Galveston	1,261	3,416		4,973	5,000	14,650
New Orleans	21,316	3,266	11,344	28,242		64,168
Savannah				3,500	1,200	4,700
Charleston					500	500
Mobile	230					240
Norfolk					400	400
New York*	200			700		900
Other ports*	1,000			500		1,500
Total 1920	24,007	6,682	11,344	37,915	7,100	87,048
Total 1919	93,041	1,709	3,806	70,405	2,625	171,586
Total 1918	39,114	9,000		5,000	6,850	59,964

*Estimated.

Speculation in cotton for future delivery has been enlivened by a rise of 310 points in July, which went to a premium over October of 770 points. This was due to heavy covering of shorts and hedges. It is merely a repetition of previous experiences in March, May and January. There has been an increasing scarcity this season of the particular grades required to fill contracts under the United States Cotton Futures Act, and month after month has practically cornered itself. The 200-point limit on fluctuations in July has been removed until the option expires at noon on Friday, July 23. The July flurry means the culmination of this supply stringency for the season. Curiosity is agog as to whether a

similar state of things will exist during the season about to open. Liverpool, Japanese and domestic trade interests have been buying July during the week. Notices have been issued for some 4,000 to 4,500 bales, but they have had little effect. October has been in sharp demand and has risen some two cents per pound. One of the things that put up cotton was the firmness of July; another was the fact that the progress of the crop, according to the recent National Ginners' report, has not been so marked as many people had at one time supposed it to be. For instance, for days it was rumored here and in Liverpool that the Ginners' report was to very bearish. But on the 10th inst. it was announced as 72.1%, which was only 1.4% better than the last Government report of 70.7. The ten-year average for July 25th is 75.6. And there is a good deal of talk about boll-weevil. It is recognized that the pest has spread extensively over the belt this year, and it is feared that unless there is a period of dry, hot weather more or less prolonged without falling into one of serious drought, the boll-weevil may do a good deal of damage. At any rate that is a very general idea. Georgia has had heavy rains. So have Mississippi, Tennessee, the Carolinas and Alabama. Parts of the Carolinas needed rain. But Georgia, Mississippi, Tennessee and Alabama, it is supposed, would be the better for clear, warm weather. There is an idea, too, among some that the tap root might be much better than it is in some sections of the belt. It is said to have spread too much rather than to have struck straight down into the soil, getting a good hold and securing the proper nourishment.

And apart from the fact that on the 12th instant the Continent was buying here for the first time for some weeks, it is pointed out in Liverpool advices that the quantity of cotton distributed on the continent up to July 1 was 2,174,000 bales against 1,536,000 bales during the same time in the previous season. Here is an increase of 638,000 bales or about 41 per cent. This at least shows the stirrings of life. The Continental textile industries in other words are gradually getting on their feet. This leads some to conclude that the European consumption next year will increase very noticeably.

Another factor not devoid of interest by any means was reports of a rather better state of trade in the textile industries at home and abroad. Print cloths here at times have been noticeably steadier. And some have been inclined to believe that these goods may not be very far from the bottom. Both cable and mail advices from Manchester have also been rather more cheerful. Not that Manchester is doing a big business or anything like it. But its trading has increased somewhat. A fair demand has been reported from Indo-China. Some Liverpool dispatches have even gone so far as to say that the demand at Manchester for some goods has increased considerably. Manchester advices have at least been less pessimistic. It is contended, too, that stocks of goods in India and China as well as in many other parts of the world are down to a low stage. From this fact it is inferred that sooner or later the demand is bound to increase materially.

On the other hand not a few think that there are too many things which militate against higher prices now-a-days to warrant the expectation of any permanent or material rise in cotton. After all trade is still for the most part quiet both at home and abroad. Sales of print cloths at Fall River are small enough to make this plain so far as this side of the water is concerned. And it requires no very keen reading between the lines of reports from Manchester to see that the improvement is largely in the matter of tone, or so to speak morale, in Lancashire rather than in actual business. And some noted with interest that a large men's clothing manufacturing concern in Philadelphia has decided to reduce prices on fall goods. The Passaic mills of New Bedford, Mass. will hereafter operate on a five day schedule. Also many think that the crop is on the whole doing very well.

The fields are blooming, it seems, to the northern limits of the belt, and they are clean. The plant is healthy and fruiting well. The weekly Government report said that as a rule the damage by weevil in Texas has been light. Texas it adds has latterly made excellent progress like most other parts of the belt. To-day Liverpool advanced, Manchester was reactive further heavy rains occurred into Central and Eastern sections of the belt weevil damage is feared and prices advanced. Later come a reaction partly on reports of larger offerings of new cotton from Southern Texas and of cotton enroute from Norfolk for delivery here on July contracts. But prices end far higher than a week ago. The more cheering news from Manchester in connection with a good East Indian monsoon counts for much. Spot cotton ends at \$42 50 for middling uplands July, a rise for the week of 2 cents.

The following averages of the differences between grades, as figured from the July 15 quotations of the ten markets designated by the Secretary of Agriculture, are the differences established for deliveries in this market on July 22 1920:

Middling fair.....4.03 on	*Middling "yellow" tinged.....5.25 off
Strict good middling.....3.28 on	*Strict low mid. "yellow" tinged.....7.68 off
Good middling.....2.53 on	*Low middling "yellow" tinged.....11.10 off
Strict middling.....1.35 on	Good middling "yellow" stained.....4.75 off
Strict low middling.....3.08 off	*Strict mid. "yellow" stained.....6.48 off
Low middling.....8.48 off	*Middling "yellow" stained.....8.35 off
*Strict good ordinary.....12.40 off	*Good middling "blue" stained.....5.95 off
*Good ordinary.....15.28 off	*Strict middling "blue" stained.....7.58 off
Strict good mid. "yellow" tinged.....1.22 off	*Middling "blue" stained.....9.20 off
Good middling "yellow" tinged.....2.08 off	*These ten grades are not deliverable upon new style contracts.
Strict middling "yellow" tinged.....3.50 off	

The official quotation for middling upland cotton in the New York market each day for the past week has been:

July 10 to July 16—	Sat.	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thurs.	Fri.
Middling uplands.....	40.50	40.50	41.00	42.00	42.50	42.5

NEW YORK QUOTATIONS FOR 32 YEARS.

The quotations for middling upland at New York on July 16 for each of the past 32 years have been as follows:

1920 c.....42.00	1912 c.....12.45	1904 c.....11.00	1896 c.....7.06
1919.....35.25	1911.....14.30	1903.....12.70	1895.....7.00
1918.....33.15	1910.....16.40	1902.....9.31	1894.....7.12
1917.....27.40	1909.....12.50	1901.....8.44	1893.....8.19
1916.....12.95	1908.....11.00	1900.....9.81	1892.....7.25
1915.....9.25	1907.....12.85	1899.....6.19	1891.....8.38
1914.....13.25	1906.....11.00	1898.....6.19	1890.....12.06
1913.....12.35	1905.....10.65	1897.....8.00	1889.....11.25

MARKET AND SALES AT NEW YORK.

The total sales of cotton on the spot each day during the week at New York are indicated in the following statement. For the convenience of the reader we also add columns which show at a glance how the market for spot and future closed on same days.

	Spot. Market Closed.	Futures. Market Closed.	SALES.		
			Spot.	Contr't.	Total.
Saturday	Quiet, unchanged	Steady			
Monday	Quiet, unchanged	Very steady			
Tuesday	Steady, 50 pts. adv.	Steady		600	600
Wednesday	Steady, 100 pts. adv.	Firm		2,200	2,200
Thursday	Steady, 50 pts. adv.	Steady		100	100
Friday	Quiet, unchanged	Steady			
Total				2,900	2,900

THE VISIBLE SUPPLY OF COTTON to-night, as made up by cable and telegraph, is as follows. Foreign stocks, as well as the afloat, are this week's returns, and consequently all foreign figures are brought down to Thursday evening. But to make the total the complete figures for to-night (Friday), we add the item of exports from the United States, including in it the exports of Friday only.

July 16—	1920.	1919.	1918.	1917.
Stock at Liverpool.....bales	1,000,090	617,000	269,000	279,000
Stock at London.....	12,000	13,000	24,000	26,000
Stock at Manchester.....	132,000	73,000	48,000	23,000
Total Great Britain.....	1,144,000	703,000	341,000	328,000
Stock at Ghent.....	29,000			
Stock at Bremen.....	86,000			*2,000
Stock at Havre.....	235,000	101,000	112,000	171,000
Stock at Marseilles.....				3,000
Stock at Barcelona.....	103,000	44,000	5,000	90,000
Stock at Genoa.....	68,000	53,000	4,000	19,000
Stock at Trieste.....		3,000		*1,000
Total Continental stocks.....	521,000	204,000	121,000	286,000
Total European stocks.....	1,665,000	907,000	462,000	614,000
India cotton afloat for Europe.....	100,000	33,000	15,000	25,000
Amer. cotton afloat for Europe.....	145,601	554,348	141,000	156,000
Egypt, Brazil, &c., afloat for Eur.....	36,000	40,000	59,000	27,000
Stock in Alexandria, Egypt.....	84,000	261,000	220,000	84,000
Stock in Bombay, India.....	1,350,000	1,018,000	*600,000	989,000
Stock in U. S. ports.....	844,556	1,180,985	1,032,326	639,076
Stock in U. S. interior towns.....	933,790	933,604	747,488	429,372
U. S. exports to-day.....	1,800		19,830	5,406
Total visible supply.....	5,160,747	4,927,937	3,296,644	2,968,854

Of the above, totals of American and other descriptions are as follows:

American—				
Liverpool stock.....bales	686,000	432,000	92,000	183,000
Manchester stock.....	119,000	44,000	18,000	13,000
Continental stock.....	435,000	192,000	*107,000	*242,000
American afloat for Europe.....	145,601	551,348	141,000	156,000
U. S. port stocks.....	844,556	1,180,985	1,032,326	639,076
U. S. interior stocks.....	933,790	933,604	747,488	429,372
U. S. exports to-day.....	1,800		19,830	5,406
Total American.....	3,165,747	3,336,937	2,157,644	1,667,854
East Indian, Brazil, &c.—				
Liverpool stock.....	314,000	185,000	177,000	96,000
London stock.....	12,000	13,000	24,000	26,000
Manchester stock.....	13,000	29,000	30,000	10,000
Continental stock.....	86,000	12,000	*14,000	*41,000
India afloat for Europe.....	100,000	33,000	15,000	25,000
Egypt, Brazil, &c., afloat.....	36,000	40,000	59,000	27,000
Stock in Alexandria, Egypt.....	84,000	261,000	220,000	84,000
Stock in Bombay, India.....	1,350,000	1,018,000	*600,000	989,000
Total East India, &c.....	1,995,000	1,591,000	1,139,000	1,301,000
Total American.....	3,165,747	3,336,937	2,157,644	1,667,854

Total visible supply.....	5,160,747	4,927,937	3,296,644	2,968,854
Middling uplands, Liverpool.....	26.65d.	21.21d.	22.09d.	19.00d.
Middling uplands, New York.....	42.50c.	36.30c.	33.60c.	26.75c.
Egypt, good sakel, Liverpool.....	66.50d.	35.85d.	32.21d.	36.75d.
Peruvian, rough good, Liverpool.....	46.00d.	30.58d.	39.00d.	26.00d.
Broach, fine, Liverpool.....	20.10d.	18.85d.	21.33d.	18.35d.
Tinnevely, good, Liverpool.....	21.35d.	19.10d.	21.58d.	18.53d.

* Estimated.

Continental imports for past week have been 48,000 bales. The above figures for 1920 show a decrease from last week of 154,700 bales, a gain of 232,810 bales over 1919, an excess of 1,864,103 bales over 1918 and a gain of 2,191,893 bales over 1917.

QUOTATIONS FOR MIDDLING COTTON AT OTHER MARKETS.—Below are the closing quotations of middling cotton at Southern and other principal cotton markets for each day of the week:

Week ending July 16.	Closing Quotations for Middling Cotton on—					
	Saturday.	Monday.	Tuesday.	Wed'day.	Thurs'dy.	Friday.
Galveston.....	38.50	38.50	38.50	39.00	39.00	39.25
New Orleans.....	39.00	39.00	39.00	39.00	39.00	39.50
Mobile.....	39.25	39.25	39.00	39.00	39.00	39.00
Savannah.....	40.75	40.75	40.75	41.00	41.00	41.00
Charleston.....	40.50	40.50	40.50	40.50	40.50	41.25
Norfolk.....	40.50	40.50	40.50	40.50	40.50	40.50
Baltimore.....	41.00	41.00	41.00	41.00	41.50	42.00
Philadelphia.....	40.75	40.75	41.25	42.25	42.75	42.75
Augusta.....	41.00	41.00	41.00	41.00	41.00	41.00
Memphis.....	39.50	39.50	39.50	39.50	39.50	39.50
Dallas.....		38.85	38.85	38.95	39.00	39.20
Houston.....	38.75	38.75	38.75	39.00	39.00	39.00
Little Rock.....	40.00	39.50	39.50	39.50	39.50	39.50
Fort Worth.....		38.50	38.50	39.00	39.00	39.00

FUTURES.—The highest, lowest and closing prices at New York for the past week have been as follows:

	Saturday, July 10.	Monday, July 12.	Tuesday, July 13.	Wed'day, July 14.	Thurs'dy, July 15.	Friday, July 16.	Week.
July—							
Range	39.14-50	39.50-69	39.80-40	40.75-35	41.40-75	41.50-05	39.14-605
Closing	39.35	39.65	40.30-32	41.35	41.73-75	41.50-85	
August—							
Range	—	36.72-58	36.55-75	37.30-60	38.30-50	37.40-70	36.55-650
Closing	37.65	36.50	36.37-55	38.00-10	37.80	37.55	
September—							
Range	—	34.90	31.65-40	35.00	35.40	—	34.65-50
Closing	34.90	34.90	35.40	36.20	35.40	35.75-00	
October—							
Range	32.95-27	33.17-60	33.22-47	33.38-10	34.04-54	34.15-68	32.95-668
Closing	33.14-18	33.35	33.37-40	34.07-08	34.20-23	34.45-47	
November—							
Range	31.55-60	—	—	—	—	—	31.55-60
Closing	32.14	32.35	32.35	33.10	33.20	33.83	
December—							
Range	31.40-80	31.56-90	31.50-80	31.63-35	32.14-69	32.20-90	31.40-690
Closing	31.61-66	31.70-73	31.78	32.30	32.26-30	32.83-86	
January—							
Range	30.78-20	30.89-15	30.85-05	30.80-40	31.35-75	31.40-05	30.78-605
Closing	30.90-92	30.98	31.03	31.40	31.42-43	32.02-04	
February—							
Range	—	30.90	—	—	—	—	30.70
Closing	30.65	30.70	30.70	30.95	31.00	31.50	
March—							
Range	30.17-35	30.31-53	30.22-40	30.04-68	30.55-10	30.72-30	30.04-630
Closing	30.26	30.35-36	30.38	30.63	30.76	31.25-26	
April—							
Range	29.60-80	—	—	—	—	—	29.60-80
Closing	30.05	30.05	30.05	30.40	30.50	31.00	
May—							
Range	29.53-77	29.60-90	29.60-77	29.25-93	29.80-18	29.90-50	29.25-650
Closing	29.65	29.68	29.70	29.85	29.90	30.40	
June—							
Range	29.70	29.50-75	29.60	29.20-75	29.80-90	29.80-30	29.20-630
Closing	29.35	29.53	29.55	29.75	29.80	30.25	

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NEW ORLEANS CONTRACT MARKET.—The closing quotations for leading contracts in the New Orleans cotton markets for the past week have been as follows:

	Saturday, July 10.	Monday, July 12.	Tuesday, July 13.	Wed'day, July 14.	Thurs'dy, July 15.	Friday, July 16.
July	36.50-51	36.20	36.23	36.80	36.40-50	36.80
September	33.15	33.21	33.50	34.20	34.20	34.60
October	32.65-74	32.71-75	32.73-80	33.40-55	33.50-55	32.90 93
December	31.33-36	31.33-40	31.33-35	31.98-01	31.92-95	32.48-50
January	30.72	30.78	30.75	31.18-20	31.12-14	31.80
March	30.10	30.13-15	30.03-05	30.43-45	30.36-37	30.95-00
May	29.40-50	29.52	29.40	29.75	29.65	31.18-20
Tone—						
Spot	Quiet	Steady	Quiet	Steady	Steady	Quiet
Options	Steady	Steady	Steady	Very s'y	Steady	Steady

AT THE INTERIOR TOWNS the movement—that is, the receipts for the week and since Aug. 1, the shipments for the week and the stocks to-night, and the same items for the corresponding period of the previous year—is set out in detail below.

Towns.	Movement to July 16 1920.			Movement to July 18 1919.		
	Receipts.		Stocks July 16.	Receipts.		Stocks July 18.
	Week.	Season.		Week.	Season.	
Ala., Enfanla	—	5,888	1,420	4,911	2,188	
Montgomery	74	72,064	5,718	65,730	17,743	
Selma	12	38,529	9	62,209	1,475	
Ark., Helena	—	31,770	—	39,777	2,400	
Little Rock	118	186,420	1,785	172,859	3,719	
Pine Bluff	—	105,938	2,000	130,979	1,150	
Ga., Albany	—	9,702	—	10,882	282	
Athens	275	157,442	700	147,572	3,000	
Atlanta	2,188	273,303	1,854	248,115	6,413	
Augusta	2,149	560,811	4,249	458,827	5,903	
Columbus	—	34,501	—	52,481	500	
Macon	133	214,295	12,133	244,043	6,120	
Rome	62	56,095	10,190	32,671	500	
Ia., Shreveport	400	78,323	902	131,180	927	
Miss., Columbus	—	17,352	—	20,494	—	
Clarksdale	50	140,713	550	139,654	1,649	
Greenwood	156	109,852	365	139,031	1,200	
Meridian	—	37,326	—	43,175	400	
Natchez	—	25,858	—	46,101	999	
Vicksburg	200	18,285	299	35,609	80	
Yazoo City	24	33,070	510	42,863	688	
Mo., St. Louis	2,254	802,380	2,685	596,180	9,610	
N. C., Gr'nboro	1,395	62,377	1,459	56,986	450	
Raleigh	—	15,527	100	11,600	70	
O., Cincinnati	500	68,500	500	138,275	1,600	
Okla., Ardmore	—	—	—	—	—	
Chickasha	261	79,968	705	47,382	300	
Hugo	35	25,597	27	27,394	74	
Oklahoma	114	60,865	886	36,717	3,000	
S. C., Greenville	821	147,346	2,357	114,828	3,292	
Greenwood	—	15,104	1,119	14,664	1,624	
Tenn., Memphis	7,105	1,205,359	12,701	922,020	21,215	
Nashville	—	1,483	—	1,699	811	
Tex., Abilene	6	61,690	310	7,235	533	
Brenham	3	6,829	5	19,469	100	
Clarksville	—	39,854	—	50,383	308	
Dallas	191	80,729	762	94,784	1,154	
Honey Grove	19	35,896	170	31,295	8	
Houston	3,889	1,993,297	9,544	1,962,602	38,520	
Paris	1,485	135,306	889	133,543	2,127	
San Antonio	—	40,651	52	40,232	936	
Total, 41 towns	23,919	7,086,495	47,626	933,790	69,315	

The above totals show that the interior stocks have decreased during the week 23,707 bales, and are to-night 186 bales more than at the same period last year. The receipts at all the towns have been 45,396 bales less than the same week last year.

OVERLAND MOVEMENT FOR THE WEEK AND SINCE AUG. 1.—We give below a statement showing the overland movement for the week and since Aug. 1, as made up from telegraphic reports Friday night. The results for the week and since Aug. 1 in the last two years are as follows:

July 16— Shipped—	—1919-20—		—1918-19—	
	Week.	Since Aug. 1.	Week.	Since Aug. 1.
Via St. Louis	2,685	6801,272	9,610	6,597,475
Via Mounds, &c.	3,794	429,659	6,750	524,034
Via Rock Island	50	24,706	—	25,576
Via Louisville	692	122,791	1,492	110,474
Via Cincinnati	—	26,563	800	70,454
Via Virginia points	948	230,760	203	100,910
Via other routes, &c.	4,123	464,073	5,217	842,377
Total gross overland	12,292	2,099,824	24,072	2,271,300
Deduct shipments—				
Overland to N. Y., Boston, &c.	1,479	186,111	1,037	63,718
Between interior towns	937	71,961	541	48,105
Inland, &c., from South	3,286	271,376	4,644	272,103
Total to be deducted	5,702	529,448	6,222	383,926
Leaving total net overland †	6,590	1,570,376	17,850	1,887,374

† Including movement by rail to Canada. a Revised.
b 20,000 bales added as revision of shipments during June.

The foregoing shows the week's net overland movement this year has been 6,590 bales, against 17,850 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 316,998 bales.

In Sight and Spinners' Takings.	—1919-20—		—1918-19—	
	Week.	Since Aug. 1.	Week.	Since Aug. 1.
Receipts at ports to July 16	23,481	6,764,802	109,144	5,853,736
Not overland to July 16	6,590	1,570,376	17,850	1,887,374
Southern consumption to July 15.a	77,000	3,570,000	57,000	3,366,000
Total marketed	107,071	11,905,178	183,994	11,107,110
Interior stocks in excess	*23,707	131,743	†47,153	236,988
Came into sight during week	83,364	—	136,841	—
Total in sight July 16	—	12,036,921	—	11,344,098

Nor. spinners' takings to July 16— 51,389 2,947,753 52,575 2,152,019

† Decrease during week. a These figures are consumption; takings not available.

Movement into sight in previous years:

Week—	Bales.	Since Aug. 1—	Bales.
1918—July 19	95,349	1917-18—July 19	12,010,928
1917—July 20	99,952	1916-17—July 20	12,820,314
1916—July 21	103,705	1915-16—July 21	12,431,266

WEATHER REPORTS BY TELEGRAPH.—Telegraphic advices to us this evening from the South denote that the weather has been favorable over the greater part of the belt during the week, and further improvement in the condition of cotton is indicated. In some sections along the Atlantic, however, there would seem to have been too much rain.

	Rain.	Rainfall.	Thermometer
Galveston, Texas	Weather continues favorable for crop, which is steadily advancing. Picking on small scale under way in Southwest.		
Galveston	4 days	1.12 in.	high 88 low 76 mean 82
Abilene	dry		high 96 low 70 mean 83
Brenham	1 day	0.07 in.	high 93 low 69 mean 81
Brownsville	1 day	1.08 in.	high 96 low 73 mean 84
Cuero	dry		high 96 low 71 mean 84
Dallas	1 day	0.42 in.	high 97 low 66 mean 82
Henrietta	2 days	1.10 in.	high 98 low 62 mean 80
Kerrville	dry		high 92 low 65 mean 79
Huntsville	1 day	0.35 in.	high 94 low 69 mean 82
Lampasas	1 day	0.45 in.	high 99 low 67 mean 83
Longview	1 day	0.11 in.	high 96 low 60 mean 78
Luling	1 day	0.20 in.	high 97 low 69 mean 83
Naegdoches	3 days	0.90 in.	high 98 low 65 mean 82
Palestine	dry		high 92 low 66 mean 79
Paris	1 day	1.26 in.	high 90 low 63 mean 82
San Antonio	dry		high 96 low 72 mean 84
Taylor	2 days	0.06 in.	low 68
Weatherford	1 day	0.34 in.	high 99 low 62 mean 81
Ardmore, Okla.	2 days	0.88 in.	high 104 low 64 mean 84
Altus	2 days	1.00 in.	high 101 low 65 mean 83
Muskogee	2 days	0.10 in.	high 95 low 61 mean 78
Oklahoma City	4 days	1.32 in.	high 97 low 64 mean 81
Brinkley, Ark.	3 days	1.92 in.	high 93 low 61 mean 77
Eldorado	3 days	1.18 in.	high 96 low 51 mean 74
Little Rock	3 days	1.05 in.	high 91 low 66 mean 79
Marianna	2 days	1.60 in.	high 90 low 63 mean 77
Alexandria, La.	3 days	1.45 in.	high 96 low 69 mean 83
Amite	1 day	0.75 in.	high 92 low 66 mean 79
Shreveport	1 day	0.52 in.	high 93 low 66 mean 79
New Orleans	5 days	2.13 in.	high 99 low 61 mean 82
Columbus, Miss.	2 days	0.61 in.	high 96 low 65 mean 81
Greenwood	3 days	1.76 in.	high 94 low 67 mean 81
Oklahoma	2 days	1.42 in.	high 96 low 63 mean 80
Vicksburg	2 days	0.71 in.	high 92 low 72 mean 80
Mobile, Ala.	Conditions continue favorable. Light rains in cotton districts beneficial. Bolls maturing nicely.		
Decatur	3 days	1.67 in.	high 90 low 70 mean 80
Montgomery	1 day	1.30 in.	high 92 low 65 mean 79
Selma	2 days	0.46 in.	high 94 low 69 mean 82
Gainesville, Fla.	3 days	1.30 in.	high 94 low 67 mean 80
Madison	5 days	3.22 in.	high 92 low 68 mean 80
Savannah, Ga.	6 days	2.02 in.	high 93 low 69 mean 81
Athens	5 days		

COTTON CONSUMPTION AND OVERLAND MOVEMENT TO JULY 1.—Below we present a synopsis of the crop movement for the month of June and the eleven months ended June 30 for three years:

	1919-20.	1918-19.	1917-18.
Gross overland for June	131,830	161,800	187,986
Gross overland for 11 months	2,062,159	2,186,662	2,793,866
Net overland for June	94,293	130,946	84,222
Net overland for 11 months	1,541,074	1,816,172	1,660,109
Port receipts in June	138,600	622,393	242,637
Port receipts in 11 months	6,674,491	5,543,219	5,671,001
Exports in June	159,504	595,772	237,089
Exports in 11 months	6,177,399	4,921,800	3,988,406
Port stocks on June 30	924,102	1,309,762	1,175,388
Northern spinners' takings to July 1	2,807,468	2,020,947	2,688,548
Southern consumption to July 1	3,400,000	3,216,000	3,933,000
Overland to Canada for 11 months (included in net overland)	201,576	183,150	230,279
Burnt North and South in 11 months	993	7,342	-----
Stock at North interior markets June 30	24,000	727,300	14,005
Came in sight during June	489,893	755,439	560,479
Amount of crop in sight June 30	11,790,565	10,920,391	11,752,210
Came in sight balance of season	-----	682,243	159,686
Total crop	-----	11,602,634	11,911,896
Average gross weight of bales	506.02	511.99	511.68
Average net weight of bales	481.02	486.99	486.68

WORLD'S SUPPLY AND TAKINGS OF COTTON.—

The following brief but comprehensive statement indicates at a glance the world's supply of cotton for the week and since Aug. 1 for the last two seasons, from all sources from which statistics are obtainable; also the takings, or amounts gone out of sight, for the like period.

Cotton Takings. Week and Season.	1919-20.		1918-19.	
	Week.	Season.	Week.	Season.
Visible supply July 9	5,315,447	-----	5,034,743	-----
Visible supply Aug. 1	-----	4,792,018	-----	3,027,450
American in sight to July 16	83,364	12,036,921	136,841	11,344,098
Bombay receipts to July 15	645,000	3,457,000	51,000	2,420,000
Other India shipm'ts to July 15	615,000	445,000	2,000	150,000
Alexandria receipts to July 14	61,000	755,000	-----	643,000
Other supply to July 14 †	66,000	260,000	2,000	211,000
Total supply	5,465,811	21,745,939	5,226,584	17,795,548
Deduct—	-----	-----	-----	-----
Visible supply July 16	5,160,747	5,160,747	4,927,937	4,927,937
Total takings to July 16— <i>a</i>	305,064	16,585,192	298,647	12,867,611
Of which American	272,064	12,130,192	180,647	9,953,611
Of which other	33,000	4,455,000	118,000	2,914,000

† Embraces receipts in Europe from Brazil, Smyrna, West Indies, &c.
a This total embraces the total estimated consumption by Southern mills, 3,570,000 bales in 1919-20 and 3,366,000 bales in 1918-19—takings not being available—and aggregate amounts taken by Northern and foreign spinners, 13,015,192 bales in 1919-20 and 9,501,611 in 1918-19, of which 8,560,192 bales and 6,587,611 bales American.
b Estimated.

BOMBAY COTTON MOVEMENT.—The receipts of India cotton at Bombay for the week ending June 24 and for the season from Aug. 1 for three years have been as follows:

June 24. Receipts at—	1920.		1919.		1918.	
	Week.	Since Aug. 1.	Week.	Since Aug. 1.	Week.	Since Aug. 1.
Bombay	50,000	3,302,000	37,000	2,277,000	43,000	1,747,000

Exports from—	For the Week.				Since August 1.			
	Great Britain.	Continent.	Japan & China.	Total.	Great Britain.	Continent.	Japan & China.	Total.
Bombay—								
1919-20	6,000	16,000	33,000	55,000	86,000	450,000	1,669,000	2,205,000
1918-19	3,000	-----	34,000	37,000	48,000	105,000	690,000	843,000
1917-18	-----	-----	-----	-----	148,000	146,000	1,228,000	1,522,000
Other India*								
1919-20	-----	15,000	20,000	35,000	50,000	165,000	128,000	343,000
1918-19	2,000	1,000	9,000	12,000	35,000	9,000	70,000	114,000
1917-18	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
Total all—								
1919-20	6,000	31,000	53,000	90,000	136,000	615,000	1,797,000	2,548,000
1918-19	5,000	1,000	43,000	49,000	83,000	114,000	760,000	957,000
1917-18	-----	-----	-----	-----	148,000	146,000	1,228,000	1,522,000

* No data for 1917-18; figures for 1918-19 since Jan. 1.

ALEXANDRIA RECEIPTS AND SHIPMENTS OF COTTON.—The following are the receipts and shipments for the week ending June 23 and for the corresponding week of the two previous years:

Alexandria, Egypt, June 23.	1919-20.	1918-19.	1917-18.
Receipts (cantars)—			
This week	635	3,817	32,800
Since Aug. 1	5,644,788	4,822,880	5,992,050
Exports (bales)			
Week.	Since Aug. 1.	Week.	Since Aug. 1.
To Liverpool	248,120	8,610	221,922
To Manchester, &c.	145,516	6,098	114,415
To Continent and India	750	2,331	143,232
To America	287,835	3,275	65,230
Total exports	750	1816,441	20,314

Note.—A cantar is 99 lbs. Egyptian bales weigh about 750 lbs. This statement shows that the receipts for the week ending June 23 were 635 cantars and the foreign shipments 750 bales.

MANCHESTER MARKET.—Our report received by cable to-night from Manchester states that business for both yarns and cloths is increasing and the tone is better. We give prices for to-day below and leave those for previous weeks of this and last year for comparison.

	1920.						1919.					
	32s Cop Twist.		8½ lbs. Shirts, Common to finest.		Col'n Mid. Upl's		32s Cop Twist.		8½ lbs. Shirts, Common to finest.		Col'n Mid. Upl's	
April d.	d.	s. d.	s. d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	s. d.	s. d.	d.	d.	
21	53½ @	76	42 0 @	45 6	26.14	31¾ @	34¾ @	20 0 @	24 6	20 0 @	24 6	
28	53½ @	76	42 0 @	45 6	26.10	31¾ @	34¾ @	20 0 @	24 6	20 0 @	24 6	
June 4	53 @	76	41 6 @	45 6	27.80	36¼ @	39¾ @	22 6 @	26 9	22 6 @	26 9	
11	53 @	76	41 6 @	45 6	27.36	36¼ @	40¼ @	22 9 @	27 0	22 9 @	27 0	
18	52 @	75	41 10 @	46 0	26.64	36¼ @	40¼ @	23 3 @	27 6	23 3 @	27 6	
25	50 @	74	40 6 @	44 0	26.38	38¼ @	41¼ @	23 9 @	28 3	23 9 @	28 3	
July 2	49½ @	74½	40 0 @	43 6	26.38	38¼ @	41¼ @	23 9 @	28 3	23 9 @	28 3	
9	49½ @	74	40 0 @	43 0	25.12	40 @	44 @	25 6 @	30 0	25 6 @	30 0	
16	48 @	69	40 0 @	43 0	26.65	41¼ @	45 @	26 3 @	31 0	26 3 @	31 0	

SHIPPING NEWS.—Shipments in detail:

	Total bales.
NEW YORK—To Liverpool—July 9—West Celeron, 166	166
To Havre—July 9—Roman Prince, 399	399
To Genoa—July 10—Edgehill, 600	600
July 13—San Gennero, 659	659
July 15—Ferdinando Palasciano, 500	500
GALVESTON—To Liverpool—July 14—Bolivian, 10,488	10,488
To Bremen—July 14—Cuttyhuuk, 5,176	5,176
NEW ORLEANS—To Barcelona—July 15—Cadiz, 50	50
To Genoa—July 9—Kenowis, 6,064	6,064
SAVANNAH—To Rotterdam—July 9—Themisto, 577	577
To Gothenburg—July 14—Indianic, 500	500
To Genoa—July 14—Lucania, 1,837	1,837
NORFOLK—To Manchester—July 12—Monomac, 750	750
BOSTON—To Manchester—July 5—Mercian, 60	60
BALTIMORE—To Genoa—Methano (additional), 500	500
PHILADELPHIA—To Liverpool—June 25—Regina, 75	75
SAN FRANCISCO—To Japan—July 8—Siberia Maru, 516	516
SEATTLE—To Japan—July 1—Toyoashi Maru, 123	123
Total	29,040

The particulars of the foregoing shipments for the week, arranged in our usual form, are as follows:

	Great Britain.	France.	Germany.	Other Europe—North.	South.	Japan.	Total.
New York	166	399	-----	-----	1,759	-----	2,324
Galveston	10,488	-----	5,176	-----	-----	-----	15,664
New Orleans	-----	-----	-----	-----	6,114	-----	6,114
Savannah	-----	-----	-----	1,077	1,837	-----	2,914
Norfolk	750	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	750
Baltimore	-----	-----	-----	-----	500	-----	500
Boston	60	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	60
Philadelphia	75	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	75
San Francisco	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	516	516
Seattle	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	123	123
Total	11,539	399	5,176	1,077	10,210	639	29,040

COTTON FREIGHTS.—Current rates for cotton from New York, as furnished by Lambert & Burrows, Inc., are as follows, quotations being in cents per pound:

Liverpool, 1.75c.	Stockholm, 2.25c.	Bombay, 1.25c.
Manchester, 1.50c.	Trieste, 1.50c.	Vladivostok, 1.50c.
Antwerp, 85c.	Flume, 1.50c.	Gothenburg, 2.25c.
Ghent, via Antwerp, 90c.	Lisbon, 2.25c.	Bremen, 1.92½c.
Havre, 1.00c.	Oporto, 2.25c.	Hamburg, 1.75c.
Rotterdam, 1.00c.	Barcelona, direct, 1.50c.	Danzig, 2.25c.
Genoa, 1.35c.	Japan, 1.50c.	Helsingfors, 2.25c.
Christiana, 2.25c.	Shanghai, 1.50c.	Salonica, 1.50c.

LIVERPOOL.—Sales, stocks, &c., for past week:

	June 25.	July 2.	July 9.	July 16.
Sales of the stock	15,000	13,000	15,000	20,000
Of which speculators took	-----	-----	-----	-----
Of which exporters took	-----	-----	-----	-----
Salos, American	12,000	10,000	11,000	15,000
Actual export	11,000	2,000	7,000	6,000
Forwarded	57,000	45,000	58,000	62,000
Total stock	1,092,000	1,059,000	1,030,000	1,000,000
Of which American	785,000	751,000	716,000	686,000
Total imports for the week	38,000	22,000	27,000	23,000
Of which American	20,000	17,000	9,000	14,000
Amount afloat	115,000	118,000	118,000	-----
Of which American	70,000	70,000	69,000	-----

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.		Dull.	Dull.	Dull.	Hardening.	Firm.
Mid. Upl'ds		25.29	25.43	25.83	26.22	26.65
Sales	HOLIDAY	3,000	3,000	3,000	4,000	4,000
Futures. Market opened		Steady, 20@27 pts. advance.	Quiet, 4@7 pts. decline.	Steady, 4@7 pts. advance.	Steady, 24@31 pts. advance.	Steady, 3@11 pts. advance.
Market, 4 P. M.		Steady, 27@37 pts. advance.	Steady, 1 pt. adv. to 6 pts. dec.	Steady, 7@27 pts. advance.	Steady, 32@54 pts. advance.	Firm, 23@46 pts. advance.

The prices of futures at Liverpool for each day are given below:

July 10 to July 16.	Sat.	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thurs.	Fri.
	12¼ 12¼	12¼ 4	12¼ 4	12¼ 4	12¼ 4	12¼ 4
	p. m. p. m.					
July	d. d.					
August	24.01 24.03	23.93 24.04	24.33 24.31	24.72 24.78	24.90 25.16	23.63 23.63
September	22.91 22.93	22.80 22.87	23.18 23.14	23.51 23.62	23.70 24.06	22.43 22.42
October	22.43 22.42	22.34 22.41	22.63 22.60	22.96 23.07	23.15 23.49	21.81 21.82
November	21.81 21.82	21.73 21.80	22.01 21.97	22.33 22.42	22.53 22.87	21.15 21.27
December	21.15 21.27	21.20 21.27	21.47 21.40	21.76 21.79	21.93 22.25	20.90 20.93
January	20.90 20.93	20.86 20.93	21.12 21.06	21.36 21.42	21.53 21.85	20.62 20.66
February	20.62 20.66	20.58 20.65	20.83 20.77	21.07 21.11	21.23 21.52	20.33 20.38
March	20.33 20.38	20.29 20.36	20.54 20.48	20.78 20.80	20.93 21.20	20.10 20.14
April	20.10 20.14	20.05 20.13	20.30 20.23	20.53 20.56	20.80 20.87	19.87 19.90
May	19.87 19.90	19.82 19.90	20.08 19.99	20.28 20.32	20.43 20.55	19.6

offset the rust reports, which in any case, sounded rather exaggerated. In fact, they were openly pronounced to be farfetched. Damage reports at this time of the year are not apt to lose anything in the telling. Whatever may be said on that score, buyers were plainly loath to purchase freely for forward shipment. Besides, the receipts here of late have been liberal; that is, flour is coming in more freely on old orders. Naturally, this obviates, in many instances, the necessity of renewed purchases. Prices, in the main, have been firm. They could not well be otherwise with wheat so firm, but trade has generally been quiet. Northwestern advices say that trade is very dull. In fact, practically at a standstill, and that mills are operating on the lowest output of the present year. Flour prices there were nominally 15 to 40 cents per barrel higher than a week previous, because of the advance in wheat, but buyers are holding off to see what will happen when trading in wheat futures is reopened on Thursday.

Wheat showed greater firmness early in the week partly on reports of black rust in the Northwest. No. 2 winter was reported to be in demand at \$3 04 f. o. b. August, \$3 for September and \$2 95 for October. The visible supply in the United States fell off last week 1,417,000 bushels, against 1,411,000 in the same week last year. The total is now 18,382,000 bushels, against 5,297,000 last year. The total crop of both spring and winter as estimated in the latest Government report issued late on July 9th, and not a feature of the trading until July 10, is 809,000,000 bushels against 781,000,000 on June 1 this year and a harvested crop last year of 940,987,000 bushels. The quantity of wheat estimated to be in farmers' hands is 47,456,000 bushels, as against 19,261,000 bushels a year ago. The present surplus is the largest with one exception in many years. That exception was in 1916, when it reached 74,731,000 bushels. At this time in 1918 it was only 8,063,000 bushels. There were reports of a steady export demand for both wheat and rye which naturally encouraged the believers in higher prices for a time. Later prices fell.

In the United Kingdom continued rains have damaged the hay crop and delayed the harvesting of cereals; they caused anxiety. In India the weather has been favorable. The embargo on wheat exports is still in force. In Russia small quantities of cereals are being cleared each week. Last week's shipments amounted to: 24,000 bushels of barley and 10,000 bushels of oats. Besides these quantities Rumania shipped to the Continent 200,000 bushels of Danubian corn. In the United States, spring wheat continues to make satisfactory progress. Good weather has made it possible to harvest winter wheat nearly to the northern limits of the winter wheat belt. Some damage has been done to spring wheat in Nebraska by rust; it needs rain in parts of the Northwest. In France crops have deteriorated recently owing to excessive rains. And it is believed by most farmers in that country that the semi-official estimate of this year's outturn of wheat of 296,000,000 bushels is much too high. They think that it will not be more than 256,000,000 bushels at the most. In Germany conditions are considered generally satisfactory. In Italy harvesting continues. It is said that Italy will have to import large quantities of wheat this year. Some estimate its probable imports at 75,000,000 to 80,000,000 bushels. In Spain supplies of wheat have been gradually increasing through importations, and prices are slightly easier. The crop of wheat in that country will, it is believed, be of good quality. In Denmark and Sweden the outlook is generally satisfactory. In Australia recent rains have benefited the wheat crop. In Bulgaria the prospects are good. Larger exports from that country are expected. In Greece conditions are generally favorable, and it is stated that Greece has made a contract with Jugo-Slavia for all next year's requirements of cereals. Broomhall cabled: "The general position of wheat indicates that European requirements of this cereal will be liberal—possibly 520,000,000 bushels to about 560,000,000 bushels, and importers will have to rely largely upon North America for these supplies."

After a suspension of nearly three years, trading in wheat futures began at the Chicago Board of Trade on July 15. Trading ceased on the exchanges on August 26, 1917, at which time September futures closed at \$2 11½ at Chicago. In May of that year wheat for May delivery sold for \$3 25 and cash wheat in the same month at \$3 45. The minimum price guaranteed by the government was \$2 18 at Chicago, but the next season it was fixed at \$2 26. Prices opened about 10 cents higher on July 15 this year than many had expected, i. e., at \$2 72 for December and then moved up to \$2 75, closing, however at \$2 70½ March began at \$2 75 reached \$2 76, reacted to \$2 73 and closed at \$2 74. At the Gulf on the 15 inst. 200,000 bushels of No. 2 winter sold it was stated at \$3 08 f. o. b. first half of Aug. \$3 06 last half, \$3 03 first half of September and \$3 01 last half. Today at the gulf exporters took, it is stated, 250,000 bushels at lower price i. e. \$3 02 f. o. b. first half of August and \$3 01 for the last half \$2 99 for the first half of September, and \$2 98 for the last half. Futures dropped 10 to 14c.

DAILY CLOSING PRICES OF WHEAT IN NEW YORK.

	Sat.	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thurs.	Fri.
No. 2 red-----cts.	299	305	305	305	305	305

DAILY CLOSING PRICES OF WHEAT FUTURES IN CHICAGO.

	Sat.	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thurs.	Fri.
December delivery in elevator.cts.					270½	260
May delivery in elevator-----					274	264

Indian corn advanced in the fore-part of the week on apprehensions of rust in the Northwestern wheat section and predictions of lighter receipts but broke later. Cash wheat was also at one time stronger, with wheat in the Northwest up 5 cents. It was an erratic market however, and reports that the rust talk was exaggerated caused reactions. The visible supply too increased 1,195,000 bushels against an increase in the same week last year of 237,000, bushels. This made the total this year 5,559,000 bushels against 4,026,000 bushels a year ago. But July was noticeably strong with deliveries on contract comparatively small. And the rust reports from the Northwest made many of the shorts for a time uneasy. The latest government report put the condition at \$4.7 on July 1st against \$6.7 July 1st last year and \$7.1 on July 1st two years ago; acreage 103,648,000 against 102,075,000 last year and 113,835,000 two years ago; indicated crop 2,779,000,000 bushels against a harvested crop of 2,917,450,000 bushels last year, 2,582,814,000 in 1918 and 3,124,746,000 in 1912, highest record crop in American history.

On the other hand, prices fell sharply later on. To many it looks significant that the visible supply in the teeth of talk of a light movement, should have increased last week 1,195,000 bushels. Some Chicago traders were inclined to sell on bulges what with a liberal increase in the visible supply and dispatches ridiculing the reports of damage to wheat at the Northwest by black rust. Corn made good growth in the chief corn growing States. Later on cash markets fell with larger country offerings and less talk of rust in the Northwest. Commission houses sold freely. To-day prices fell and then rallied but they are 6 to 7c. lower than a week ago.

DAILY CLOSING PRICES OF CORN IN NEW YORK.

	Sat.	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thurs.	Fri.
No. 2 yellow-----cts.	179¼	184¼	181¼	177	176	170¼

DAILY CLOSING PRICES OF CORN FUTURES IN CHICAGO.

	Sat.	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thurs.	Fri.
July delivery-----cts.	161	159¼	156	151¼	149½	149½
September delivery-----cts.	159½	158½	156	152¼	149½	149½
December delivery-----					137¼	137¼

Oats ended lower but advanced noticeably at one time in sympathy with corn and wheat as well as rye. And the visible supply last week fell off 442,000 bushels against 132,000 in the same week last year. This pulled the total supply down to 3,181,000 bushels against 18,923,000 bushels a year ago. The latest government report put the condition at \$4.7 against \$7.0 on June 1st and \$7 on July 1st last year. The acreage is 41,032,000 against 42,400,000 a year ago. The indicated crop is 1,322,000,000 against a harvested crop last year of 1,248,310,000 bushels and in 1918, 1,538,359,000 bushels. The banner year was 1917 when the yield reached 1,592,740,000 bushels. Later on cash oats fell 3c. on larger country offerings and corn prices down. Oklahoma offered new oats to Chicago at considerable under July. Larger receipts at Chicago attracted by the magnet of big cash premiums also had a depressing effect. And there is a rumor here that France has cancelled 1,000,000 bushels of oats taken on export orders. Crop reports were favorable about oats, rye and barley. To-day prices declined and then rallied sharply in the case of July which however ended 5¼c. lower than a week ago.

DAILY CLOSING PRICES OF OATS IN NEW YORK.

	Sat.	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thurs.	Fri.
No. 1 white-----cts.	126-128	126-128	124-126	123-125	120	118-120
No. 2 white-----	126-128	126-128	124-126	123-125	120	118-120

DAILY CLOSING PRICES OF OATS FUTURES IN CHICAGO.

	Sat.	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thurs.	Fri.
July delivery-----cts.	97¼	97½	95½	91½	86½	89¼
September delivery-----	80½	80	78½	77½	76½	76½
December delivery-----					75½	75½

RYE early in the week advanced sharply to the highest price of the season on a renewed export demand and covering of shorts. The market had become oversold, and in a single day it advanced 9 to 11c. But later it was said that the advance had run beyond exporters limits. A very sharp reaction followed. The visible supply however fell off 338 000 bushels last week bringing it down to 4 085 000 bushels against 9 468 000 a year ago. Also the firmness of other grain naturally strengthened prices for rye. Later it broke 6 to 7c. on an overbought position and on reports of larger offerings in Indiana, Illinois and Wisconsin for prompt and August shipment. Heavy liquidation took place. Today prices fell further. They close 4c. lower for the week on July and unchanged on September though they end 11½c. under the "high" of the week.

DAILY CLOSING PRICES OF RYE FUTURES IN CHICAGO.

	Sat.	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thurs.	Fri.
July delivery-----cts.	231½	233	228½	224	221¼	219
September delivery-----	200	200	197½	192½	192¼	188½

The following are closing quotations:

FLOUR.		Barley goods—Portage barley:	
Spring patents-----	\$13 75@ \$14 50	No. 1-----	\$7 25
Winter straights, soft	11 75@ 12 50	Nos. 2, 3 and 4 pearl	6 50
Kansas straights-----	13 25@ 14 00	Nos. 2-0 and 3-0---	7 25@ 7 40
Rye flour-----	11 00@ 11 95	Nos. 4-0 and 5-0---	7 50
Corn goods, 100 lbs.:		Oats goods—Carload	
Yellow meal-----	4 40	spot delivery-----	11 80
Corn flour-----	4 50@ 4 60		
GRAIN.		Oats—	
Wheat—		No. 1-----	118@120
No. 2 red-----	\$3 05@ \$3 10	No. 2 white-----	118@120
No. 1 spring-----	Nominal	No. 3 white-----	118@120
Corn—		Barley—	
No. 2 yellow-----	1 70¼	Feeding-----	140
Rye—		Malting-----	150
No. 2-----	2 46¼		

For other tables usually given here, see page 268.

AGRICULTURAL DEPARTMENT'S REPORT ON CEREALS, &c.—The report of the Department of Agriculture, showing the condition of the cereal crops on July 1, was issued on the 9th inst., and is as follows:

The Crop Reporting Board of the Bureau of Crop Estimates makes the following estimates from reports of its correspondents and agents:

	Condition			10-Yr. Aver.	Yield per Acre (Bu.)		
	July 1 1920.	July 1 1919.	July 1 1918.		July 1 1920.	Final, 1919.	10-Yr. Aver.
Corn	84.7	86.7	87.1	83.8	26.8	28.6	26.1
Spring wheat	88.0	80.9	86.1	82.4	15.2	14.7	15.6
Winter wheat	79.7	89.0	79.5	81.2	15.0	9.0	12.7
All wheat	82.5	86.6	81.9	81.6	15.1	12.8	14.6
Oats	84.7	87.0	85.5	84.3	32.2	29.4	32.1
Barley	87.6	87.4	84.7	84.3	26.0	22.3	25.1
Rye	83.5	85.7	80.8	86.7	15.0	12.5	15.5
Potatoes	89.3	87.6	87.4	86.5	100.7	80.2	95.2
Flax	89.1	73.5	79.8	82.3	8.4	5.3	7.5
Hay (tame)	85.5	90.7	82.2	82.8	*1.51	*1.62	*1.45

	Indicated Crops, in Bushels			Acreage	
	July 1 1920.	Final, 1919.	Avge., 1914-18.	1920.	1919.
Corn	2,779,000,000	2,917,000,000	2,760,000,000	103,648,000	102,075,000
Spring wheat	291,000,000	209,000,000	259,000,000	19,487,000	22,338,000
Winter wheat	518,000,000	732,000,000	563,000,000	34,165,000	49,225,000
All wh't	809,000,000	941,000,000	822,000,000	53,652,000	72,343,000
Oats	1,332,000,000	1,248,000,000	1,415,000,000	41,032,000	42,400,000
Barley	193,000,000	166,000,000	215,000,000	7,437,000	7,420,000
Rye	82,000,000	88,500,000	59,900,000	5,470,000	6,963,000
Potatoes	388,000,000	358,000,000	382,000,000	3,849,000	4,013,000
Flax	14,400,000	8,900,000	12,900,000	1,706,000	1,683,000
Hay (tame)	84,800,000	91,300,000	81,400,000	56,191,000	56,348,000

The amount of wheat remaining on farms on July 1 is estimated at 5.1% of last year's crop, or about 47,756,000 bush., as compared with 19,261,000 bush. on July 1 1919 and 31,923,000 bush., the average of stocks on July 1 for five years, 1914-1918.

WEATHER BULLETIN FOR THE WEEK ENDING JULY 13.—The general summary of the weather bulletin issued by the Department of Agriculture, indicating the influence of the weather for the week ending July 13, is as follows:

WINTER WHEAT.—The harvesting of winter wheat has progressed early to the Northern limits of the winter wheat belt, with a continuation of favorable weather for this work except for considerable interruption by rain in some Eastern sections, especially in Ohio and West Virginia. The winter wheat harvest in most of the principal producing areas has been accomplished under very favorable weather conditions, particularly in the central Great Plains, where it has been reported as ideal. Winter wheat has headed out or is heading, in the higher sections of the Northwest, but some injury has resulted from lack of moisture. Threshing progressed favorably in the Central and Southern portions of the belt, although retarded in the extreme southern Great Plains by frequent rains, particularly in Oklahoma, where threshing has been done. The yield has been up to expectations and in some localities it was better than was expected.

SPRING WHEAT.—Spring wheat continues to make satisfactory progress in most sections of the belt, but the condition of the crop remains rather unsatisfactory in portions of the upper Mississippi Valley, especially in Iowa, where it is below normal. The crop is heading out to the northern limits of the belt and it needs rain in parts of the Northwest and in some elevated Central Rocky Mountain districts; while damage has been reported from Northern Montana on account of deficient moisture and in Nebraska by rust. Progress was poor in Minnesota, principally on account of too much moisture. But the condition of the crop continues fairly good in that State.

CORN.—Notwithstanding the cool weather that prevailed in central districts corn made good growth in the principal corn growing States and the crop is in good to excellent condition except in southern Illinois and western Kentucky, where unfavorably affected by the dry weather. Cultivation was delayed by frequent rains in the extreme North Central States and in parts of the Northwest, but in most sections the fields are clean and much of the crop has been laid by as far north as Missouri and Illinois. Considerable damage has been done by army worms and cut worms in the Southeastern States; chinch bugs are numerous in central and southern Illinois, where considerable damage is reported. Broom corn was greatly benefited by rain and made fine progress in the lower central Great Plains States.

COTTON.—Under the influence of moderate temperatures and mostly favorable moisture conditions, cotton made favorable advance during the week in nearly all sections of the belt. Excellent progress was reported from North Carolina and fairly good advance from South Carolina. Fair development was reported in Georgia, where the plants are fruiting well, although they continue small. Cotton shows some improvement in Florida, but heavy rains unfavorably affected the crop in parts of that State by causing shedding of fruit and increased weevil activity.

Progress was mostly satisfactory in Alabama, Mississippi and Tennessee while fairly good improvement was reported from Arkansas as a result of local showers and moderate temperatures. Cotton is improving steadily in Oklahoma, where it is blooming freely, while the plants are fruiting satisfactorily in Louisiana. Only slight damage has been done so far by weevil in the latter State, although they are increasing rapidly. The crop made excellent progress in Texas, and while in excellent condition in some localities it continues rather poor in others, but is mostly above normal. It is fruiting well where weevils are not active, but weevil damage is mostly light. The crop made satisfactory progress in Arizona and New Mexico. Cotton is mostly well cultivated throughout the belt.

OATS AND BARLEY.—Under the influence of continued favorable weather oats, barley and other small grains have shown improvement in most northern districts, and these crops are in generally good condition, the improvement being rather marked in the region of the Great Lakes, where timely rains were received. Oats need rain, however, in portions of the Central Rocky Mountain area and Far Northwest, but both oats and barley are developing satisfactorily in most of the Plateau sections of the West, although considerable damage has been done by dry weather in some dry farming districts of that area, particularly in portions of Utah.

THE DRY GOODS TRADE.

New York, Friday Night, July 16, 1920.

The general sentiment of the trade is more optimistic. A reaction from the low prices that cotton and woolen goods are bringing on the open market is expected by leading producers as soon as retailers and garment makers come into the market for fresh supplies. Next week is expected to see the largest attendance of buyers in the market which has yet been seen. Not a great many buyers have arrived as yet, but many who are here and who are being shown new styles are disposed to make some engagements. Some few have decided to go after their fall lines at once, saying that they do not believe there will be any marked decline in prices for some time to come. Buyers in general are showing

more interest in anything that looks new than they are in staples of a standard quality. Retailers coming into the dry goods and apparel markets for fall merchandise are finding the credit lines drawn more strictly than they have been in some years. Wholesale credit men have revised their credit lists, eliminating some of the more risky accounts altogether and paring down the amount of credit that will be allowed other customers. Some retailers are looking forward to a good business for the coming season and are making their plans accordingly.

DOMESTIC COTTON GOODS.—In the wash fabrics market it is the common belief that no very large spring business will be booked much before September or October. It is a fact that some classes of textiles are selling below the actual cost of production at present. The steady decline in gray or unfinished cotton goods has brought prices down to the general level obtaining around November and December of last year. According to some leading factors in the trade, gray goods are now below the actual cost of weaving. 38½-inch 64x64s are to be had at 20 cents. Some 68x72s, 4.75 yard prints changed hands during the week at 19½ cents for nearby shipment, and 19 cents for later shipment. 27-inch 64x60s print cloths were available at 14½ cents, and 18 cents was heard for August-September deliveries of 38½-inch 64x60s. The sheetings market is somewhat dull. Only a few inquiries are reported despite the concessions made by sellers. And the same is true of pajama checks, sateens and lawns. No action is reported on bleached cottons or colored cottons in the way of new open prices. Voiles are steadier. Shirtings dull, but more interest is shown in colored dress fancies. Sales of cotton duck are increasing at prices that have been in effect for some time. Cotton yarns are inactive, and spinners are beginning to curtail production.

WOOLEN GOODS.—The woolen goods end of the trade still engrosses attention. The closing of the American Woolen Mills in New England was an animated theme for discussion, and there is considerable speculation on the part of the trade as to how long they will remain inactive. Jobbing houses have large stocks of men's wear materials on hand and are able to supply immediate demands; and they are accepting orders at prices considerably below what they paid for the materials. Towards the end of the week the showrooms in the garment district were humming with activity. But retailers were only "nibbling" on fall goods, with the promise of further orders later on. They want to feel the pulse of the public before buying. Retailers seem to think there will be price concessions on the cheaper grades of wool goods if they wait until later in the season. The outlook in the men's wear market is regarded somewhat better than it was two or three weeks ago. But it is still enveloped in considerable uncertainty. Manufacturers and distributors are endeavoring to view the situation optimistically. The first move must be on the part of the retailer and he is hesitating. As a matter of course, the mills are not going to manufacture any goods until they are sure they will find an outlet for them. Unless the retailer changes his attitude and shows confidence in the future and places liberal orders, the jobber and the cutter are going to hold off too. Some lines of women's wear are in slightly better demand as a result of the concessions granted by the distributors. Buyers of ready-to-wear garments for women buy readily when they finally decide that they have found the right line. Tricotines that were formerly held at \$6 a yard are said to be moving into consuming channels at \$4.50.

FOREIGN DRY GOODS.—The linen situation is without material change. A few parcels were received in New York by importers, the goods coming from Belfast. Additional parcels are reported afloat. Arrivals are meagre in comparison with requirements, and there are said to be no prospects of increased productions for months. Irish cable communications tell of an increase in inquiries for linen goods, but no very great improvement in the volume of business transacted. Neither Irish merchants nor manufacturers are desirous of higher prices; on the other hand there is no indication whatever that prices can come any lower. It is said the flax crop in Ireland may be disappointing. According to a report made public recently by the United States Bureau of Foreign and Domestic Commerce, the world's flax acreage in 1919, exclusive of Russia and Siberia, was 355,960 acres. Trading in burlaps was quiet for the greater part of the week. Spots of 8-40s were firmer and held on a basis of 8.20 cents, while heavy weights were to be had in some quarters at 10.75 cents. For the first five months of this year, the average shipments of burlap from Calcutta to North America are given unofficially as 94,100,000 yards.

State and City Department

NEWS ITEMS.

California.—Road Bond Case Resubmitted.—It is stated that because the opinion of Judge J. A. Plummer of Stockton, sitting pro tem for Presiding Justice N. P. Chipman of the Third District Court of appeals in the mandamus actions of W. R. Ellis against the State Department of Engineering and State Comptroller John S. Chambers and State Treasurer F. W. Richardson, was prematurely given out for publication, Justice E. C. Hart and A. G. Burnett, Judge Plummer agreeing, ordered the opinion set aside and directed that the case be reopened. A special dispatch to the San Francisco "Chronicle" says:

Judge Plummer's opinion directed that the writs be issued to Ellis, who was formerly secretary of the State Highway Commission, preventing the State Board of Control from selling \$3,000,000 worth of State highway bonds by using \$192,414 in Federal aid road money to take care of the interest depreciation of the bonds.

Judge Plummer, to whom the work of preparing the opinion was assigned, sent the original opinion to Justices Hart and Burnett, and is said to have been given the impression the opinion had been concurred in by them and regularly filed in the clerk's office of the court.

In referring to the matter today, Justice Hart said: "It was an unfortunate happening and something that had never occurred before with the Court since I became a member of it. We have always been scrupulously particular about secrecy, before the filing of an opinion, which one of the Justices has been assigned to write, and it has always been and is an invariable rule to permit opinions to go to the public only through the clerk's office after they have been filed."

Colorado Springs, Colo.—City Manager Form of Government Adopted.—The electors of Colorado Springs, at a special election held July 6, adopted the city manager form of government. Two propositions were offered, the first calling for the establishment of a city manager in April 1921 which was carried by a vote of 3, 289 for to 2,132 against. The second proposition, which would have made the new government effective at once, was defeated. A plan for a paving project of \$1,000,000 was carried by a vote of 2,197 for to 1538 against. According to the Denver "Rocky Mountain News": Four amendments introduced by the Taxpayers' association were defeated in the election. The amendments called for reduction of the tax levy to a 10 mills maximum and the repealing of ordinances permitting the city council to create public improvement districts.

New York City.—City to Run Trolley Lines.—The first definite steps to run a municipally-owned trolley line was taken by the city when the Board of Aldermen authorized an issue of \$300,000 special revenue bonds for the purchase of trolley cars to be used on the abandoned line of the Midland Railway Company in Staten Island and other lines where emergency warrants. The Board has also approved of the expenditure, without public letting, of \$300,000, to be raised by corporate stock, which is to be used for the installation of a municipally-operated trolley line over the Williamsburgh Bridge. The "Journal of Commerce" of this city under date of July 15, says:

The city has taken the first definite step to run a municipally-owned trolley line. The Board of Aldermen has authorized an issue of \$300,000 special revenue bonds for the purchase of trolley cars.

Plant and Structures Commissioner Grover A. Whalen proposes purchasing trolley cars to be used by the city on the abandoned line of the Midland Ry. Co. in Staten Island, and on other line where emergency warrants. Likewise the Aldermanic Board has approved of the expenditure without public letting of \$300,000 to be raised by corporate stock and which is to be used for the installation of a municipally operated trolley line over the Williamsburgh Bridge.

Of the \$300,000, \$200,000 will be for cars, \$10,000 for the purchase of parts, \$40,000 for the erection of a barn, \$30,000 for the rail connection with the barn, and the remainder for repairs and miscellaneous expenses. The \$300,000 corporate stock proposal has been approved by the Finance and Budget Committee of the Board of Estimate and will come up for action at to-morrow's meeting of the parent body.

The Board of Aldermen took two vote ballots on the \$300,000 special revenue bond issue. On the first ballot the Board defeated the proposition by a scant two votes. Plant and Structure Commissioner Whalen then appeared before the Board and explained conditions in Staten Island so graphically that the Board reconsidered and gave him permission to purchase all the cars the city needs. It is expected that the Staten Island & Midland road will be operated by the city within a week's time unless the traction company secure another injunction tying Whalen's hands. There is a likelihood that the city may also attempt to operate the 145th Street line on which a suspension of service has been reported. The price cost of cars vary from \$4,000 in the second hand class to the \$10,000 up-to-date larger type new cars.

The Aldermen were at first disposed to refuse Commissioner Whalen's request for the spending of the \$300,000 corporate stock of the Williamsburgh Bridge line without public letting. The Commissioner showed that if contracts were advertised for there would be delays of many months during which the city would be a heavy loser.

"If the \$300,000 is not allowed at this time," said Whalen, "the Board of Aldermen will be presenting the company which is now operating the Williamsburgh Bridge cars with a gift of \$100,000 a year. This is the amount of toll and terminal charges which the company declines to pay the city. The company likewise refuses to live up to its obligation to repair and replace tracks. Therefore, the burden for repairs, which is in addition to the \$100,000 a year lost by the city in tolls, also falls on the taxpayers. Some of the tracks are now in a dangerous condition and must be put in shape at once. In addition to the \$100,000 gift in the form of tolls held from the city the Bridge Operating Co. which runs the Williamsburgh Bridge cars, earns \$100,000 a year net. So its clear profits are therefore in the neighborhood of \$200,000 a year. The Bridge Operating Co. is jointly owned by the N. Y. Rys. Co. and the B. R. T. system."

Visualizing Citizenship.—The Municipal Reference Library has published a special report "Visualizing Citizenship," the fourth of a series on civic subjects inaugurated two years ago. This report serves as a supplement to the special report No. 2 "Teaching Citizenship via the Movies."

New York State.—Bonded Indebtedness of School Districts Limited by Legislature.—The 1920 Legislature amended the Educational Law by adding a sentence to section 1 of chapter 16 of the Consolidated Laws, limiting the bonded debt of districts having a total valuation of real property of \$1,000,000 or over to ten per cent of the aggregate assessed value of real property. We print chapter 162 below showing the new matter in italics:

CHAPTER 162

AN ACT to amend the education law, in relation to the bonded indebtedness of school districts.

Became a law April 10, 1920, with the approval of the Governor. Passed, three-fifths being present.

The People of the State of New York, represented in Senate and Assembly do enact as follows:

Section 1. Subdivision one of section four hundred and eighty of chapter twenty-one of the laws of nineteen hundred and nine, entitled "An act relating to education, constituting chapter sixteen of the consolidated laws," such chapter having been amended by chapter one hundred and forty of the laws of nineteen hundred and ten, and such subdivision having been amended by chapter two hundred and twenty-one of the laws of nineteen hundred and thirteen, is hereby amended to read as follows:

1. For the purpose of giving effect to the provisions of section four hundred and sixty-seven of this chapter, trustees or boards of education are hereby authorized, whenever a tax shall have been voted to be collected in installments, for the purpose of building a new schoolhouse, or building addition to a schoolhouse, or making additions, alterations or improvements to buildings or structures belonging to the district or city, or for the purchase of land or buildings for agricultural, athletic, playground, or social center purposes, to borrow so much of the sum voted as may be necessary at a rate of interest not exceeding six per centum, and to issue bonds or other evidences of indebtedness therefor, which shall be a charge upon the district, and be paid at maturity, and which shall not be sold below par. *In districts having an aggregate valuation of real property of one million dollars or over, no bonds shall be hereafter issued which make the total bonded indebtedness, at any time, exceed ten per centum of the aggregate assessed valuation of the real property within the bounds of such school district.*

Sec. 2. This Act shall take effect immediately.

Vermont.—Governor Refuses to Call Special Session of Legislature.—Governor Percival W. Clement on July 12 again refused to call a special session of the Vermont Legislature to ratify the Federal Woman Suffrage Amendment. A special dispatch to the New York "Tribune" says in part:

In a proclamation outlining his attitude the Governor calls attention to the fact that the present Legislature was elected before the question of ratifying the Federal amendment had arisen, that the people of Vermont have had no opportunity to express themselves in regard to the question and that the proposed Federal amendment clearly invades the Constitution of Vermont.

Governor Clement proposes that the matter be taken up by the Legislature of 1921, and urges the voters to require candidates for the House and Senate to declare themselves thereon. He refers pointedly to the income tax amendment, which, he says, "was lobbied through Congress and the state legislatures by Federal agents;" also to the prohibition amendment, which he declares "was forced through by a powerful and irresponsible organization, operating through paid agents with unlimited funds."

The Governor declares further that the issue is one of principle, not of political expediency, and serves notice on all state officers, apparently on the Lieutenant Governor and his deputies, that he purposes "to go and come" as his "duty calls, both within and without the State of Vermont," and that if any action is taken contrary to the terms of the proclamation the officer so acting will do so "regardless of our fundamental law and his oath to support it" and "on his own responsibility," for which he will be "answerable to the freemen of the state."

The Governor did not refer directly in the proclamation to his recent conference in Washington with Senator Warren G. Harding, in which the Republican Presidential nominee urged the Governor to call the special session to act on suffrage.

Woman Suffrage Amendment to United States Constitution.—Suit to Prevent Its Becoming Effective Dismissed.—Reference to the dismissal of this suit will be found on a preceding page in our department of "Current Events and Discussions."

BOND PROPOSALS AND NEGOTIATIONS

this week have been as follows:

ADAMS COUNTY (P. O. Decatur), Ind.—BOND OFFERING.—Bids will be received until 2 p. m. July 23 by Hugh D. Hite, County Treasurer, for the following 4½ macadam road bonds: \$9,440 Albert Arnold Kirkland Twp. bonds. Denom. \$472, 10,800 Tanner's Ext. No. 1 road, French Twp. bonds. Denom. \$540, 9,200 Nathan Ehrman Kirkland Twp. bonds. Denom. \$460. Date July 15, 1920. Int. M. & N. Due one bond of each issue each six months from May 15 1921 to Nov. 15 1930 incl.

ADIRAN, Lenawee County, Mich.—BOND OFFERING.—Proposals will be received until 4 p. m. Aug. 30 by G. Percy Lone, City Clerk, for \$225,000 5% water works bonds. Denom. 100 for \$1,000, 250 for \$100, and 200 for \$500. Date Sept. 1 1920. Prin. and semi-ann. int. (M. & S.) payable at the Commercial Savings Bank, the Adrian State Savings Bank, the Lenawee County Savings Bank, the National Bank of Commerce, all of Adrian, or at the City Treasurer's office. Due \$5,000 yearly on Sept 1 from 1922 to 1931, incl.; and \$175,000 Sept. 1 1932. Cert. check for 10% of amount of bid, required.

ALEXANDRIA, Licking County, O.—BOND OFFERING.—Proposals will be received until 12 m. Aug. 2 by W. H. Proctor, Village Clerk, for the following 6% special assessment road impt bonds:

\$12,902.10 Granville Rd. bonds. Denoms. for \$1,200, 8 for \$1,300, 1 for \$1,302.10. Due yearly on Apr. 1 as follows: \$1,200, 1921

\$1,300, 1922 to 1929 incl.; and \$1,302 10, 1930.

41,599.54 Main St. bonds. Denoms. 1 for \$4,159 54, 9 for \$4,160. Due \$4,159 54 Apr. 1 1921; and \$4,160 yearly on Apr. 1 from 1922 to 1930, incl.

Auth. Sec. 3914 Gen. Code. Date July 1 1920. Int. semi-ann. 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, required.

ALLEN COUNTY, (P. O. Ft. Wayne), Ind.—BOND SALE.—On July 7 the \$35,000 6% Irene Byron Tuberculosis Hospital bonds offered on that date—V. 110 p. 2410—were awarded to the Fletcher-American Co., of Indianapolis, for \$35,155 (100.443) and interest, a basis of about 5.94%. Date July 1, 1920. Due \$875 each six months from May 15, 1921 to Nov. 15, 1940, incl. Other bidders were:

Lincoln Nat'l B'k., Ft. Wayne \$35,126 | Breed, Elliott & Harrison,

W. H. Rohan, Ft. Wayne... 35,021 | Cincinnati... \$35,050

ALLIANCE, Box Butte County, Neb.—BOND SALE.—Benwell, Phillips, Este & Co. of Denver have purchased, it is reported, the \$25,000 intersection paving and \$10,000 drainage 6% bonds offered on May 25.—V. 110, p. 1995.

ALLIANCE CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Alliance), Stark Co., Ohio.—BOND OFFERING.—Proposals will be received until 12 m., July 28 by M. M. Mansfield, Clerk of Board of Education, for \$65,000 6% refunding bonds. Auth. Sec. 5656, 5658 and 5659, Gen. Code. Denom. \$1,000. Date April 1 1920. Prin. and semi-ann. int. (A & O.) payable at the depository of the school district. Due \$5,000 yearly on April 1 from 1928 to 1940, inclusive. Certified check on a local bank for \$500 required. Bonds to be delivered and paid for at the City Savings Bank & Trust Co. of Alliance. Purchaser to pay accrued interest and furnish the blank bonds. A similar issue of bonds was reported sold in V. 110 p. 1552.

ARCADE, Wyoming County, N. Y.—BONDS NOT SOLD.—The \$15,000 5% 1-15 year serial electric light and power plant extension bonds, offered on July 3—V. 110, p. 2586—were not sold.

ATHENS, Bradford County, Pa.—BONDS SOLD LOCALLY.—The 30,000 5% tax-free street impt. bonds, mentioned in V. 110 p. 2693, have been disposed of locally.

ATTLEBORO, Bristol County, Mass.—TEMPORARY LOAN.—On July 14 Harris, Forbes & Co., of Boston, bidding 6.15% discount, were awarded a temporary loan of \$50,000, dated July 15 and maturing Nov. 15 1920.

AVON LAKE, Lorain County, Ohio.—BOND OFFERING.—Proposals will be received until 12 m. Aug. 7 by W. R. Hing, Village Clerk, for \$6,000

6% Webber Road impt. bonds. Auth. Sec. 3939 Gen. Codo. Denom \$500. Date July 1 1920. Int. semi-ann. Due \$1,000 each six months from July 1 1921 to Jan 1 1924, incl. Cert. check for 2% 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.

BELLEFONTAINE SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Bellefontaine), Logan County, Ohio.—BOND SALE.—The \$16,500 6% refunding bonds, offered on May 26—V. 110, p. 2215—were awarded to W. L. Slayton & Co., of Toledo, at 100.02, a basis of about 5.99%. Date Jan. 1, 1920. Due \$500 each six months from Jan. 1 1921 to Jan. 1 1937, incl.

BEMIDJI INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Bemidji), Beltrami County, Minn.—BOND SALE.—The \$235,000 high-school bonds recently voted (V. 110, p. 2505) have been taken by the Minnesota State Board of Investment.

BENTON COUNTY (P. O. Fowler), Ind.—BOND OFFERING.—F. E. Cones, County Treasurer, will receive bids until 1 p. m. July 19 for the following 4½% road bonds. \$30,360 James Burling et al Gilboa Twp. bonds. Denom. \$1,518. 29,800 L. Freeland et al Parish Grove Twp bonds. Denom. \$1,490. 3,980 Carl Adwell et al Bolivar Twp. bonds. Denom. \$199.

Date June 15 1920, Int. M. & N. Due one bond of each issue each six months from May 15 1921 to Nov. 15 1921, incl.

BERGHOLY, Jefferson County, Ohio.—BOND OFFERING.—N. K. Summers, Village Clerk, will receive bids until 12 m. July 30 for \$5,683.41 6% Second St. impt. bonds. Date July 1 1920. Int. semi-ann. Due \$568.34 yearly on July 1 from 1922 to 1930, incl.; and \$568.35 July 1, 1931. Cert. check for 1½% 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.

BESSEMER SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Bessemer), Jefferson County, Ala.—NO BIDS RECEIVED.—It is reported that no bids were received for the \$100,000 20 years school bonds offered on July 6—V. 110, p. 2586.

BEXLEY, Franklin County, Ohio.—BOND OFFERING.—Proposals will be received until 12 m. July 26 (date changed from July 23—V. 111, p. 214) by S. W. Roderick, Village Clerk, for \$98,000 6% special assessment storm sewer bonds. Auth. Sec. 3881 & 3914 Gen. Code. Denom. \$1,000. Date April 1 1920. Int. A. & O. Due April 1 1926. Cert. check for 5% of amount of bid, 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.

BOONE COUNTY (P. O. Lebanon), Ind.—BONDS AWARDED IN PART.—Of the two issues of 4½% road bonds, offered on July 8—V. 111 p. 107—the \$7,280 Thomas R. Jones, et al Sugar Creek & Jefferson Twp. bonds were awarded to J. F. Wild & Co., of Indianapolis, at par and interest. Date Mar. 2 1920. Due \$364 each six months from May 15 1921 to Nov. 15 1930 incl. No bids were received for the \$18,000 Center Twp. road bonds.

BOSSIER PARISH SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 9, La.—NO BIDS RECEIVED.—BONDS TO BE RE-ADVERTISED.—On July 8 no bids were received for the \$100,000 5% school bonds—V. 111 p. 107. The above bonds will be readvertised for sale about Aug. 20, 1920.

BOSTON, Mass.—TEMPORARY LOAN.—It is reported that a temporary loan of \$3,000,000, issued in anticipation of taxes, dated July 1 and maturing Nov. 1 1920, was awarded to the First National Bank of Boston at 5.89% interest to follow.

BRIGHTWATERS, Suffolk County, N. Y.—BONDS VOTED.—A proposition to issue \$150,000 street impt. bonds was favorably voted upon at an election held June 15.

BUCHANAN COUNTY (P. O. St. Joseph), Mo.—BONDS NOT SOLD.—There was no sale made of the \$400,000 5% 1-8 year serial road bonds offered on July 8—V. 111, p. 107.

CABELL COUNTY (P. O. Huntington), W. Va.—NO BIDS RECEIVED.—There were no bids received for the \$1,000,000 5% 30 year road bonds offered July 7—V. 110, p. 2694, its is stated.

CALDWELL CANYON COUNTY, Ida.—BOND OFFERING.—Bids will be received until 2 p. m. Aug. 2 for purchase of \$23,500 6% bonds. Cert. check 5% W. S. Maxey, City Clerk.

CALDWELL IRRIGATION DISTRICT, (P. O. Caldwell), Canyon County, Ida.—BOND OFFERING.—On July 29 \$10,000 7% irrigation bonds will be offered for sale at 8 p. m. Denom. \$100. Cert. check \$500. J. L. Isenberg, Secretary.

CAPEVILLE SCHOOL DISTRICT NO 3, Northampton County, Va.—BOND OFFERING.—Sealed bids will be received until 12 m. Aug. 1 by John W. Nottingham, Clerk of the School Board (P. O. Bayview) for all or any part of \$75,000 coupon school bonds. Denom. \$500. Date Aug. 15 1920. Int semi-ann. payable at the office of the County Treasurer.

CASS COUNTY ROAD DISTRICT NO. 1, Tex.—BONDS REGISTERED.—The State Comptroller on July 9 registered \$5,000 5% 20-30-year road bonds.

CHARLOTTE, Mecklenburg County, No. Car.—BOND SALE.—Newspapers state that the \$75,000 6% gold refunding bonds offered without success on June 9—V. 111, p. 107—have been sold as par and interest as follows: \$50,000 bonds to Alex Sands, Jr. of N. Y. 25,000 bonds to Charles E. Lambeth, Charlotte.

CHOUTEAU COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO 75 (P. O. Highwood), Mont.—BOND OFFERING.—Sealed bids will be received until 2:30 p. m. July 26, it is reported, by Mary Jonas, District Clerk, for \$5,000 10-15 year (opt.) coupon school bonds. Denom. \$100. Int. semi-ann. Cert. check for \$100 payable to the District Clerk required.

CISCO, Eastland County, Tex.—BOND ELECTION.—An election has been called to vote upon issuing \$75,000 hospital and \$25,000 park bonds.

CLAY COUNTY (P. O. Celina), Tenn.—BONDS STILL ON THE MARKET.—The \$30,000 school bonds at not exceeding 5% interest offered without success on Feb. 18—V. 110 p. 890—are still on the market.

CLAY AND NORMAN COUNTIES CONSOLIDATED SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 66, (P. O. Borup), Minn.—BOND OFFERING.—J. J. Bowen, District Clerk, will receive proposals, it is stated, for \$80,000 7% 10-15 year (opt.) school building bonds until 9 a. m. July 17. Date July 1 1920. Due July 1 1935 optional July 1 1930.

CLAY COUNTY SUPERVISORS' DISTRICT NO. 6, (P. O. West Point), Miss.—BONDS NOT SOLD.—The \$45,000 6% road bonds offered on July 6—V. 110 p. 2694—were not sold because the bids received were unsatisfactory.

CLEARWATER, Pinellas County, Fla.—BOND OFFERING.—Until 8 p. m. July 23 bids will be received by J. P. Thomas, City Clerk, for \$30,000 6% 30-year city park bonds. Prin. and semi-ann. int. payable at the Bank of Clearwater, Clearwater. Cert. check for \$1,500, required.

CLEARWATER HIGHWAY DISTRICT (P. O. Clearwater), Clearwater County, Ida.—BONDS NOT TO BE RE-OFFERED AT PRESENT.—The \$100,000 highway bonds offered without success on June 14—V. 110, p. 2694—will not be re-offered for sale at present.

CLEVELAND, Cuyahoga County, Ohio.—BOND SALE.—Of the several issues of 5½% coupon bonds, offered on June 14 when no bids were received—V. 110, p. 2587—the \$900,000 public hall bonds maturing June 1, 1970 have been purchased outright by Eldredge & Co., of New York. The same house has taken an option on the remaining issues, which are described as follows:

- \$650,000 city's portion street-impt. bonds. Due \$13,000 yearly on June 1 from 1921 to 1970, incl.
- 500,000 city's portion street-impt. bonds. Due \$25,000 yearly on June 1 from 1921 to 1940, incl.
- 100,000 river and harbor bonds. Due \$10,000 yearly on June 1 from 1921 to 1930, incl.
- 270,000 street opening bonds. Due \$10,000 yearly on June 1 from 1921 to 1947, incl.
- 750,000 park bonds. Due \$25,000 yearly on June 1 from 1921 to 1950, incl.
- 500,000 electric-light bonds. Due \$20,000 yearly on June 1 from 1924 to 1948, incl.

Denom. \$1,000. Date June 1 1920. Prin. and semi-ann. int. (J. & D.) payable at the American Exchange National Bank of New York. Eldredge & Co. are now offering all of the above bonds to investors.

CLEVELAND HEIGHTS, Cuyahoga County, Ohio.—BOND OFFERING.—Proposals will be received until 12 m. July 28 by H. H. Canfield, Village Clerk, for \$474,000 6% coupon paying bonds. Denom. \$1,000. Date Sept. 1 1920. Due \$74,000 Oct. 1 1927; and \$100,000 on Oct. 1 in 1928, 1929, 1930 & 1931. Cert. check on some bank other than the one making the bid, for 3% of amount of bonds bid for, payable to the Village Treasurer, required. Bonds to be delivered and paid within 30 days from date of award, at the Village Clerk's office, or at the Superior Savings & Trust Co., of Cleveland. Purchaser to pay accrued interest.

COAHOMA COUNTY (P. O. Clarksdale), Miss.—BOND ELECTION.—On Aug. 3 the voters will decide whether they are in favor of issuing \$500,000 road and bridge bonds, it is reported. Denom. \$1,000. Due yearly on July 1 from 1921 to 1940 incl.

CONNEAUT SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Conneaut), Ashtabula County, Ohio.—BOND OFFERING.—Proposals will be received until 12 m. July 24 by R. E. Mygatt, Clerk Board of Education, for \$20,000 6% school-bldg. bonds. Denom. \$500. Date July 1 1920. Prin. and semi-ann. int., payable at the Conneaut Mutual Loan & Trust Co., of Conneaut. Due \$1,000 each six months from July 1 1930 to Jan. 1 1940, incl. Cert. check for 2% of amount of bonds bid for, payable to the Board of Education, required. Purchaser to pay accrued interest.

CORINTH, Alcorn County, Miss.—BOND OFFERING.—Proposals will be received until Aug. 2, M. T. Sharp, City Clerk, it is stated for the following 6% bonds offered unsuccessfully on July 1—V. 111, p. 215: \$15,000 school equipment bonds. Due as follows: \$300, 1921 to 1925 incl.; \$600, 1926 to 1935 incl.; and \$750, 1936 to 1945 incl. 9,000 fire apparatus bonds. Due as follows: \$200, 1921 to 1925 incl. \$300, 1926 to 1935 incl.; and \$500, 1936 to 1945 incl. 6,000 street machinery bonds. Due as follows: \$150, 1921 to 1925 incl.; \$250, 1926 to 1944, incl., and \$500, 1945. Date June 1 1920. Int. J. & D. Cert. check for \$1,000 required.

COSHOCTON, Coshocton County, Ohio.—BOND OFFERING.—Proposals will be received until 12 m. July 31 by William H. Williams, City Auditor, for the following 6% bonds, which were offered unsuccessfully as 5½% on June 21—V. 111, p. 108: \$10,500 street-impt. bonds. Due \$500 semi-annually from Mar. 1 1921 to Mar. 1 1930, inclusive, and \$1,000 Sept. 1 1930. 3,000 street intersection bonds. Due \$500 yearly on Mar. 1 from 1921 to 1926, incl.

Denom. \$500. Date Aug. 1 1920. Int. semi-ann. Cert. check on a Coshocton County bank for 10% of amount of bonds bid for required.

CRAWFORD COUNTY (P. O. Bucyrus), Ohio.—BOND OFFERING.—Proposals will be received by A. G. Flickinger, County Auditor, until 12 m. July 22 for \$136,811 27 6% road bonds. Auth. Sec. 6906-6956 Gen. Code. Denom. \$1,000 & \$11 27. Date June 30 1920. Prin. and semi-ann. int. (J. & D.), payable at the County Treasurer's office. Due \$11,811 27 June 30 1921; \$3,000 Dec. 30 1921; and \$14,000 each six months from June 30 1922 to Dec. 30 1925, incl. Cert. check on a solvent bank in Crawford County, for \$500, payable to the County Auditor, required. Bonds to be delivered and paid for within 10 days from date of award. Purchaser to pay accrued interest.

CRESTLINE, Crawford County, Ohio.—BOND OFFERING.—Proposals will be received until 12 m. Aug. 6 by Edward Libens, Village Clerk, for \$5,000 6% land-purchase bonds. Denom. \$500. Date Oct. 1, 1919. Int. semi-ann. Due \$1,000 yearly on Oct. 1 from 1920 to 1924, incl. Purchaser to pay accrued interest.

CUTLER SCHOOL DISTRICT, Tulare County, Calif.—BOND SALE.—According to newspaper reports \$10,000 6% bonds were sold to W. N. Bundock of Fresno at par and accrued interest.

DARKE COUNTY (P. O. Greenville), Ohio.—BOND ELECTION.—The County Commissioners on June 28 decided to ask the voters at the Aug. 10 primaries for authority to issue \$200,000 memorial hospital bonds.

DAVID CITY, Butler County, Neb.—BONDS VOTED.—On July 9 \$30,000 water-works bonds were authorized, it is stated, by 16 votes more than were necessary.

DAVISS COUNTY (P. O. Washington), Ind.—BOND SALE.—On July 10 the \$19,983 D. V. Ellis et al Steele Twp., \$5,972 Thomas Cochran et al Washington Twp.; and \$4,963 60 U. G. Bixler et al Washington Twp., 4½% free gravel road bonds, offered July 6—V. 111, p. 108,—were awarded to E. O. Chatlin at par. Date May 15 1920. Int. M. & N. Due serially to 1930.

DAVISS COUNTY (P. O. Washington), Ind.—BOND OFFERING.—Proposals will be received until 1:30 p. m. Aug. 6 by Oliver M. Vance, County Treasurer, for \$19,999 4½% Frank M. Walls et al Reeve Twp. road bonds. Due \$999.95 each six months from May 15, 1921 to Nov. 15 1930, incl.

DEARBORN, Wayne County, Mich.—BOND SALE.—On July 7 the \$40,000 public water bonds—V. 110 p. 2695—were awarded to the Detroit Trust Co., of Detroit, at 100.6625 for 6s, a basis of about 5.91%. Due \$2,000 yearly on Oct. 1 from 1921 to 1940, incl.

DECATUR, Adams County, Ind.—BOND SALE.—It is reported that the Old Adams County Bank, the First National Bank and the Peoples Loan & Trust Co., all of Decatur, have purchased an issue of water and electric light plant bonds to the amount of \$65,000.

DEER LODGE COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 10 (P. O. Anaconda), Mont.—NO BIDS RECEIVED.—There were no bids received for the \$65,000 5½% school bonds offered on July 8—V. 110, p. 2313.

DELAWARE, Delaware County, Ohio.—BOND SALE.—The Sinking Fund Trustees have purchased at par, the following two issues of 6% coupon bonds, which were offered unsuccessfully on May 22—V. 110, p. 2313: \$5,800 judgment bonds. Due \$300 March 1 1922; and \$500 each six months from Sept. 1 1922 to Sept. 1 1927, incl. 22,000 funding bonds. Due \$1,000 each six months from March 1 1922 to Sept. 1 1932, incl.

DEL RIO DRAINAGE DISTRICT (P. O. Lamar), Prowers County, Colo.—BOND ELECTION.—On July 27 \$75,000 construction bonds will be voted upon. T. F. Hoover, Sec.

DELTA COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 10 (P. O. Read) Colo.—BOND ELECTION AND SALE.—Subject to an election Benwell Phillips, Este & Co., of Denver have purchased \$3,000 6% 10-20-yr. (opt.) bonds.

DELTA COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 14 (P. O. Crawford), Colo.—BOND SALE.—Benwell, Phillips, Este & Co. of Denver have purchased \$4,000 6% 15-30-yr. (opt.) school bonds.

DEMING, Lima County, N. Mex.—BOND OFFERING.—Additional information is at hand relative to the offering on Aug. 2 of the \$100,000 6% water-supply-system bonds—V. 111, p. 108.—Proposals for these bonds will be received until 6 p. m. on that day by A. A. Demke, Village Clerk. Denom. \$100 or any multiple thereof at option of purchaser. Date Aug. 1 1920. Int. F. & A. Due in 30 years, redeemable at the option of School Board of Trustees, at par in serial or numerical order, at the rate of \$4,000 a year beginning Aug. 1 1921. Certified check for \$2,500 required. Purchaser to pay accrued interest.

DOUGLAS, Converse County, Wyo.—BOND ELECTION.—On Aug. 3 \$75,000 water works extension and \$5,000 sewer improvement 6% 15-30-yr. (opt.) bonds are to be submitted to a vote.

DUNCAN UNION HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 2, Greenlee County, Ariz.—NO BIDS RECEIVED.—On July 6 no bids were received for the \$30,000 6% school bonds—V. 110 p. 2314.

DUNKLIN COUNTY (P. O. Kennett), Mo.—DESCRIPTION OF BONDS.—Further details are at hand relative to the sale of \$100,000 5% road bonds awarded on June 14 to the Liberty Bank of St. Louis at 95 and interest—V. 111, p. 108. Denom. \$1,000. Date June 1 1920. Int. J. & D. Due \$50,000 on June 1 1921 and June 1 1922.

EAST BATON ROUGE PARISH SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 1, La.—BONDS NOT SOLD.—No satisfactory bids were received, it is stated, for an issue of \$600,000 5% school bonds offered on June 22. Denom. \$1,000. Date July 1 1920. Due yearly from 1921 to 1948 incl.

EAST CLEVELAND, Cuyahoga County, Ohio.—BOND OFFERING.—Proposals for \$5,000 6% coupon City Hall heating system installation

bonds will be received until 12 m. July 26 by Chas. A. Carran, Director of Finance, Auth. Sec. 3939 Gen. Code. Denom. \$1,000. Date April 1 1920. Prin. and semi-ann. int. (A. & O.) payable at the Guardian Savings & Trust Co. of Cleveland, where delivery will be made within 10 days from date of award. Due Oct. 1 1935. Cert. check for 2% of amount of bond bid for, payable to the Director of Finance, required. Purchaser to pay accrued interest.

A like issue was offered on July 12—V. 111 p. 215.

EAST LANSDOWNE, Delaware County, Pa.—NO BIDS RECEIVED—BONDS TO BE RE-ADVERTISED.—No bids were received for the \$29,000 5½% tax-free coupon or registered 30-year bonds offered on July 12—V. 111, p. 215. The Clerk of the Council advises us that the bonds will be made more attractive and re-advertised.

EAST OTTO COMMON SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 1 (P. O. Cattaraugus), Cattaraugus County, N. Y.—BOND OFFERING.—Until 10 a. m. July 31 proposals will be received by the Board of School Trustees, at the Bank of Cattaraugus, for \$8,000 6% school bonds. Denom. \$500. Date Aug. 2 1920. Prin. and ann. int. payable at the Bank of Cattaraugus, in New York exchange. Due \$500 yearly on Aug. 1 from 1921 to 1936, incl. Cert. check for 10% required.

ENDICOTT, Broome County, N. Y.—BOND SALE.—On July 13 Geo. B. Gibbons & Co. of New York were awarded at 100.33 the following 6% bonds:

45,000 1-15-year serial municipal-bldg. bonds, a basis of about 5.95%. Due \$3,000 yearly on Aug. 1 from 1921 to 1935, incl.
27,000 1-9-year serial fire-apparatus bonds, a basis of about 5.92%. Due \$3,000 yearly on Aug. 1 from 1921 to 1929, incl.
30,000 1-10-year serial fire-house bonds, a basis of about 5.93%. Due \$3,000 yearly on Aug. 1 from 1921 to 1930, incl.
Denom. \$1,000. Date Aug. 1 1920.

EUCLID, Cuyahoga County, Ohio.—BOND OFFERING.—Proposals will be received until 12 m. Aug. 9 by H. S. Dunlop, Village Clerk, for the following 6% coupon special assessment bonds:

4,300 Ball Ave. sidewalk bonds. Due \$300 Oct. 1 1922; and \$1,000 on Oct. 1 in 1924, 1926, 1928 & 1929.
7,800 Ball Ave. sewer bonds. Due \$800 Oct. 1 1922; and \$1,000 yearly on Oct. 1 from 1923 to 1929, incl.
5,600 Ball Ave. water-main bonds. Due 600 Oct. 1 1922; and \$1,000 Oct. 1 in 1924, 1926, 1927, 1928 and 1929.
7,800 Foxton Ave. sewer bonds. Due \$800 Oct. 1 1922; and \$1,000 yearly on Oct. 1 from 1923 to 1929, incl.
5,100 Foxton Ave. water-main bonds. Due \$100 Oct. 1 1922; and \$1,000 on Oct. 1 in 1924, 1926, 1927, 1928 & 1929.
4,300 Foxton Ave. sidewalk bonds. Due \$300 Oct. 1 1922; and \$1,000 on Oct. 1 in 1924, 1926, 1928 & 1929.
9,700 Morris Ave. sewer bonds. Due \$700 Oct. 1 1922; \$1,000 Oct. 1 in 1923, 1924, 1925, 1926, and 1927; and \$2,000 Oct. 1 in 1928 & 1929.
5,100 Morris Ave. water-main bonds. Due \$100 Oct. 1 1922; and \$1,000 on Oct. 1 in 1924, 1926, 1927, 1928 & 1929.
4,300 Morris Ave. sidewalk bonds. Due \$300 Oct. 1 1922; and \$1,000 on Oct. 1 in 1924, 1926, 1928 and 1929.

18,500 Midland Rd. sewer bonds. Due yearly on Oct. 1 as follows: \$500, 1922; \$2,000, 1923 to 1926, incl.; \$3,000, 1927 & 1928; and \$4,000, 1929.
7,000 Midland Rd. sidewalk bonds. Due \$1,000 on Oct. 1 in 1922, 1924, 1925, 1926, 1927, 1928 & 1929.

7,500 Midland Rd. water-main bonds. Due \$500 Oct. 1 1922; and \$1,000 yearly on Oct. 1 from 1923 to 1929, incl.

7,800 Priday Ave. sewer bonds. Due \$800 Oct. 1 1922; and \$1,000 yearly on Oct. 1 from 1923 to 1929, incl.

4,300 Priday Ave. sidewalk bonds. Due \$300 Oct. 1 1922; and \$1,000 on Oct. 1 in 1924, 1926, 1928 & 1929.

5,100 Priday Ave. water-main bonds. Due \$100 Oct. 1 1922; and \$1,000 on Oct. 1 in 1924, 1926, 1927, 1928 & 1929.

5,100 Wilmore Ave. water-main bonds. Due \$100 Oct. 1 1922; and \$1,000 on Oct. 1 in 1924, 1926, 1927, 1928 & 1929.

7,500 Wilmore Ave. sewer bonds. Due \$500 Oct. 1 1922; and \$1,000 yearly on Oct. 1 from 1923 to 1929, incl.

4,300 Wilmore Ave. sidewalk bonds. Due \$300 Oct. 1 1922; and \$1,000 on Oct. 1 in 1924, 1926, 1928 & 1929.

7,800 Westport Ave. sewer bonds. Due \$800 Oct. 1 1922; and \$1,000 yearly on Oct. 1 from 1923 to 1929, incl.

5,100 Westport Ave. water-main bonds. Due \$100 Oct. 1 1922; and \$1,000 on Oct. 1 in 1924, 1926, 1927, 1928 & 1929.

4,300 Westport Ave. sidewalk bonds. Due \$300 Oct. 1 1922; and \$1,000 on Oct. 1 in 1924, 1926, 1928 & 1929.

9,800 Garland Dr. sewer bonds. Due \$800 Oct. 1 1922; \$1,000, Oct. 1 in 1923, 1924, 1925, 1926, & 1927; and \$2,000 on Oct. 1 in 1928 & 1929.

24,300 South Lake Shore Blvd sewer bonds. Due yearly on Oct. 1 as follows: \$300, 1922; \$3,000, 1923 to 1927, incl.; \$4,000, 1928; and \$5,000, 1929.

11,600 South Lake Shore Blvd water-main bonds. Due yearly on Oct. 1 as follows: \$600, 1922; \$1,000, 1923 to 1926, incl.; \$2,000, 1927 & 1928; and \$3,000, 1929.

1,900 Fern Dr. water-main bonds. Due \$900 Oct. 1 1925; and \$1,000 Oct. 1 1929.

2,300 Fern Dr. sewer bonds. Due \$300, Oct. 1 1922; and \$1,000 on Oct. 1 in 1925 & 1929.

2,400 Agalia Dr. sewer bonds. Due \$100 Oct. 1 1922; and \$1,000 on Oct. 1 in 1926 & 1929.

1,800 Agalia Dr. water-main bonds. Due \$800 Oct. 1 1925 and \$1,000 Oct. 1 1929.

3,500 Marigold Dr. water-main bonds. Due \$500 Oct. 1, 1922; and \$1,000 on Oct. 1 in 1924, 1926 & 1929.

5,600 Marigold Dr. sewer bonds. Due \$600 Oct. 1 1922; and \$1,000 on Oct. 1 in 1924, 1926, 1927, 1928, 1929.

3,600 Orchid Dr. sewer bonds. Due \$600 Oct. 1 1922; and \$1,000 on Oct. 1 in 1924, 1926 & 1929.

2,600 Orchid Dr. water-main bonds. Due \$600 Oct. 1 1922; and \$1,000 on Oct. 1 in 1925 & 1929.

12,000 Eastlawn Dr. sewer bonds. Due yearly on Oct. 1 as follows: \$1,000, 1923 to 1927, incl.; \$3,000, 1928 & 1929.

7,100 Eastlawn Dr. water-main bonds. Due \$100 Oct. 1 1922; and \$1,000 yearly on Oct. 1 from 1923 to 1929, incl.

5,500 Garland Dr. water-main bonds. Due \$500 Oct. 1 1922; and \$1,000 on Oct. 1 in 1924, 1926, 1927, 1928 & 1929.

Auth. Sec. 3914 Gen. Code. Denom. \$1,000, as far as possible. Date day of sale. Semi-Ann. int. (A. & O.) payable at the Village Treasurer's office. Bonds to be delivered and paid for within 10 days from date of award. Cert. check on some bank other than the one making the bid, for 10% of amount of bonds bid for, payable to the Village Treasurer, required. Purchaser to pay accrued interest.

FAYETTE, Howard County, Mo.—DESCRIPTION OF BONDS.—The \$70,000 5½% 1-20-year serial water-works extension bonds awarded on March 18 to the H. P. Wright Investment Co. of Kansas City for \$70,025, equal to 100.035—V. 110, p. 1338—are in denom. of \$1,000 and are dated March 15 1920. Interest M. & S.

FERGUS COUNTY (P. O. Lewistown), Mont.—BOND OFFERING.—Additional information is at hand relative to the offering on July 20 of the \$300,000 5½, 5¾ or 6% highway bonds—V. 111, p. 108. Proposals for these bonds will be received until 2 p. m. on that day by W. W. Wheaton, County Clerk and Recorder. Denom. \$1,000. Date July 1 1920. Prin. and semi-ann. int. payable at the office of the County Treasurer or at option of holder at the Mechanics & Metals National Bank, New York City, N. Y. Due \$30,000 yearly on Jan. 1 from 1931 to 1940, incl., each bond redeemable 1 year prior to its maturity. Official circular states that no previous issues of bonds have ever been contested and that all previous issues have been promptly met at maturity.

Financial Statement.

Assessed actual value of all taxable property	\$116,383,313 00
Assessed value of all property for taxation purposes, as equalized for year 1919	35,815,168 00
Total bonded indebtedness, including this issue	1,714,000 00
Total floating debt	23,125 00
Amount of sinking fund for payment of principal of bond	194,804 71
Population estimated to exceed 45,000. Native Americans predominant. County incorporated 1886.	

FRANKLIN COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 4, Wash.—BOND OFFERING.—It is reported that bids will be received until 2 p. m. July 17 by the County Treasurer (P. O. Pasco), for \$22,200 school bonds at not exceeding 6% interest.

FRANKLIN COUNTY SCHOOL NO. 45, Wash.—BOND OFFERING.—Proposals will be received by the County Treasurer (P. O. Pasco), for \$24,000 school bonds at not exceeding 6% interest, it is stated, until 2 p. m. July 17.

FREDERICK, Frederick County, Md.—BONDS DEFEATED.—A proposition, which, if passed, would have given the city authority to issue \$50,000 city park memorial bonds, was overwhelmingly defeated at an election held July 6. The final vote on the issue stood: 124 "for," and 1,034 "against".

GARDNER, Worcester County, Mass.—TEMPORARY LOAN.—On July 12 the temporary loan of \$100,000, dated July 14 and maturing \$25,000 on Dec. 16, \$50,000 on Dec. 23 and \$25,000 on Dec. 30 1920—V. 111, p. 215—was awarded, it is stated, to Austin P. Cristy of Worcester, Mass., on a 6.10% discount basis.

GEARY COUNTY (P. O. Junction City), Kans.—BOND SALE.—The Brown-Crummer Co., of Wichita was awarded at 91 on June 21 the \$52,000 5% 1-20 year road bonds which it had been reported were to be offered on July 5 in V. 110, p. 2411. Denom. \$1,000. Date Feb. 1 1920. Int. F. & A.

GENEVA, Ontario County, N. Y.—BOND SALE.—On July 12 an issue of \$31,500 5% local-impt. bonds was awarded locally, it is stated. Denom. \$500. Date Aug. 1 1920. Prin. and semi-ann. int. (A. & O.) payable at the National Bank of Commerce of New York. Due on Oct. 1 as follows: \$2,500, 1920; \$3,000, 1922, 1923, 1925, 1926 and 1928; and \$3,500 in 1921, 1924, 1927 and 1929.

GREENBRIER COUNTY (P. O. Lewisburg), W. Va.—BOND OFFERING.—According to reports Paul C. Hogsett, County Clerk, will receive proposals for the \$41,500 6% Frankford Magisterial Road District bonds—V. 111, p. 109—until 1 p. m. July 24.

GREENFIELD, Highland County, Ohio.—BOND SALE.—The \$3,225 6% fire dept. equipment bonds, offered on May 20—V. 110, p. 1898—were awarded to the Peoples National Bank, of Greenfield, at par. date Jan. 2 1920. Due Jan. 2 1923.

GREENSBORO, Guilford County, No. Caro.—BOND BILL TO BE INTRODUCED.—The "Raleigh News and Observer" in its issue of July 9 states that: "At the special session of the North Carolina General Assembly in August a bill will be introduced by Senator A. M. Scales, of Greensboro, authorizing Greensboro municipal authorities to issue bonds in the sum of \$1,300,000 to defray the cost of construction of a new railway passenger station here, according to announcement made on July 9 by E. Sternberger, Chairman of the Chamber of Commerce Station Committee.

GREENVILLE SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Greenville), Mercer County, Pa.—BOND OFFERING.—H. K. Thompson, Secretary of School Board, will receive bids until 1:30 p. m. July 22 for \$65,000 5 3-5% funding bonds. Interest J. & J.

GULFPORT, Harrison County, Miss.—BOND SALE.—Of the \$15,000 6% fire apparatus bonds offered on July 8—V. 110 p. 2588—\$12,500 bonds have been sold to the American La France Fire Engine Co., at par.

NO BIDS RECEIVED.—There were no bids received for the \$60,000 school and \$20,000 municipal wharf 6% bonds offered for sale on the same date.

HANCOCK COUNTY (P. O. Findlay), Ohio.—NO BIDDERS.—There were no bidders for the \$181,000 6% coupon road bonds, offered on July 10—V. 111, p. 109.

BOND OFFERING.—Proposals will be received until 1 p. m. July 31 by J. R. Hanrahan, County Auditor, for the following 6% road bonds: \$37,800 Moffitt Road Impt. bonds. Denom. 37 for \$1,000 and 1 for \$800. Due \$4,000 yearly on Aug. 1 from 1921 to 1929, incl.; and \$1,800 Aug. 1 1930.

26,000 Hendricks Road Impt. bonds. Denom. \$1,000. Due yearly on Aug. 1 as follows: \$2,500, 1921 to 1928, incl.; and \$3,000, 1929 & 1930.

Auth. Sec. 6929 Gen. Code. Date Aug. 1 1920. Int. semi-ann. Cert. checks on a solvent bank, for \$500 and \$1,000, required with \$37,800 and \$26,000 issues, respectively. Purchaser to pay accrued interest.

HARBOR SPRINGS, Emmett County, Mich.—BONDS VOTED.—On June 28, it is stated, an election to vote on the issuance of \$22,000 building bonds resulted in a large majority in favor of the proposition.

HARDIN COUNTY (P. O. Kenton), Ohio.—BIDS REJECTED.—The County Commissioners rejected all the bids received for the \$19,100 6% bonds, offered on July 6—V. 110, p. 2588.

HARRISON COUNTY (P. O. Corydon, Ind.—BOND SALE.—The \$2,200 4½% Ben Russell et al Posey & Taylor Twps. road bonds, offered on July 10—V. 111, p. 109—were awarded to Wm. J. Kinzer, at par and interest. Date March 2 1920. Due \$220 semi-annually, from May 15 1921 to Nov. 15 1925, incl.

HARRISON COUNTY (P. O. Gulfport), Miss.—BONDS VOTED.—By a vote of 3 to 1 an issue of \$100,000 road bonds was recently voted, it is reported.

HASKELL, Muskogee County, Okla.—BOND SALE.—The \$10,000 sewer and \$15,000 waterworks 6% 20 year bonds offered on June 28—V. 110, p. 2412—were awarded on June 29 to Tibbets & Pleasant, Inc. at par and interest. Denom. \$1,000. Date April 28 1920. Int. A. & O.

HAXTUN, Phillips County, Colo.—BOND SALE.—The International Trust Co. of Denver has purchased \$19,500 6% 15-yr electric light bonds.

HENNEPIN COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 12 (P. O. Richfield) Minn.—BOND SALE.—The Minneapolis Trust Co., offering par and interest, was awarded an issue of \$10,000 5½% 1-10 year serial school bonds recently offered for sale. Denom. \$1,000. Int. A. & O.

HOLGATE SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Holgate), Henry County, Ohio.—BOND SALE.—The State Industrial Commission of Ohio has purchased the \$100,000 6% school bldg. bonds, offered on May 17—V. 110, p. 1996. Date April 1 1920. Due \$1,000 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 & 1943; and \$4,000 on April 1 and Oct. 1 in 1944.

HOLLISTER SCHOOL DISTRICT, San Benito County, Calif.—BOND SALE.—Reports say that the \$110,000 6% 1-32-year serial school bonds, dated July 1 1920, offered on July 6—V. 110, p. 2695—have been sold to the First National Bank of Hollister for \$111,300, equal to 101.18, a basis of about 5.875%.

HOLMES COUNTY (P. O. Millersburg), Ohio.—BOND OFFERING.—Proposals will be received until 12 m. July 19 by T. D. Glasgo, County Auditor, for \$8,887 50 6% road bonds. Denom. 1 for \$787 50, and 9 for \$900. Date July 1 1920. Int. M. & S. Due \$900 each six months from March 1 1921 to March 1 1925, incl.; and \$787 50 Sept. 1 1925. Cert. check for 5%, payable to the County Auditor, required.

HOMESTEAD, Dade County, Fla.—BOND SALE.—Reports state that the \$15,000 municipal electric-light bonds offered on May 21—V. 110, p. 2104—have been sold to the Bank of Homestead.

HOOD RIVER, Hood River County, Ore.—BOND OFFERING.—On Aug. 16 \$45,000 city-hall and fire department bonds will be offered for sale.

HUDSON COUNTY (P. O. Jersey City), N. J.—BOND SALE.—On July 7 the Second National Bank of Hoboken was awarded the two issues of 6% coupon (with privilege of registration) bonds offered on that date—V. 111, p. 109—as follows:

\$100,000 Newark Turnpike improvement bonds.
\$95,000 boulevard repair bonds.
Date July 15 1920. Due July 15 1925.

HUMBOLDT, Gibson County, Tenn.—BOND OFFERING.—Proposals will be received until 1 p. m. July 22 by R. H. McNeely, Mayor, for \$70,000 5½% 20-year serial sewer bonds. Denom. \$500. Principal and semi-annual interest payable at the Chase National Bank, New York. Due \$3,500 yearly for 20 years. Certified check for \$1,000 required.

HURON INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Huron) Beadle County, So. Dak.—BOND OFFERING.—Bids will be received at any time up to and including Aug. 10 by W. C. Peterson, Clerk Board of Education, for \$70,000 school bonds at not exceeding 6% interest.

Int. annually. Due \$25,000 in 10 years, \$25,000 in 15 years, and \$20,000 in 20 years or less from date.

JACKSON SCHOOL TOWNSHIP (P. O. Camden), Carroll County, Ind.—BOND SALE.—The \$48,000 coupon school bldg. bonds, offered as 5s on April 20—V. 110, p. 1663—when no bids were received, have been sold at par for 6s to Edward O. Gara, of Lafayette. Date June 15 1920. Due \$2,000 on June 15 and Dec. 15 in 1921 & 1922; \$2,500 on June 15 and \$2,000 on Dec. 15 in 1923; \$2,500 on June 15 and Dec. 15 in 1924. \$2,500 on June 15 and \$3,000 on Dec. 15 in 1925; and \$2,500 on June 15 and Dec. 15 in the years 1926 to 1930, incl.

JACKSON TOWNSHIP RURAL SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Amsden), Seneca County, Ohio.—BOND SALE.—The State Industrial Commission of Ohio has purchased as 6s the \$100,000 coupon bldg. and impt. bonds, offered at 5½% on April 20—V. 110, p. 1554. Due each six months as follows: \$4,000, Sept. 15 1929; \$3,500, March 15 1930; \$4,000, Sept. 15 1930 and March 15 1931; \$4,500 Sept. 15 1931; and \$5,000, March 15 1932 to Sept. 15 1939, incl.

JAMESTOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Jamestown), Chautauqua County, N. Y.—BOND SALE DEFERRED.—The sale of the \$350,000 5% registered school addition and improvement bonds, which was to have taken place on July 13—V. 111, p. 109—has been deferred.

JEFFERSON COUNTY (P. O. Dandridge), Tenn.—BOND OFFERING.—Proposals will be received until 1 p. m. July 26 by W. C. Lyte, Chairman of the Finance Committee, for \$185,000 6% highway bonds, it is reported. Int. semi-ann. Certified check for \$1,400 required.

JOAQUIN INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Joaquin), Shelby County, Tex.—BONDS REGISTERED.—This district registered \$5,000 5% 5-20-year school bonds with the State Comptroller on July 9.

JOHNSON CITY, Broome County, N. Y.—BOND OFFERING.—It is reported that proposals will be received until July 21 by James E. Connerton, Village Attorney, for \$130,000 water works bonds.

JOHNSON COUNTY (P. O. Franklin), Ind.—BONDS AWARDED IN PART.—Of the four issues of 4½ road bonds, aggregating \$61,900, offered on June 30—V. 110 p. 2695, the following 2 issues were awarded at par and interest to the Farmers' Trust Co., of Franklin: \$13,800 Jos. Knox et al Union Twp bonds. Due \$690 each six months from May 15 1921 to Nov. 15 1930, incl. 14,500 Horis Throckmorton White River Twp bonds. Due \$725 each six months from May 15 1921 to Nov. 15 1930, incl.

JOHNSON SCHOOL TOWNSHIP (P. O. Wolcottville), Johnson County, Ind.—BOND OFFERING.—Proposals will be received until 12 m. Aug. 7 by Ethan A. Hassinger, Township Trustee, for \$38,000 6% school-bldg.-impt. bonds. Denom. \$500. Int. J. & J. Due yearly on June 1 from 1922 to 1933, incl.

KENMORE, Hardin County, Ohio.—BOND OFFERING.—Proposals will be received until 11 a. m. July 24 by B. O. Sours, Village Clerk, it is reported, for \$60,000 15½-year (aver.) water, \$41,000 6½-year (aver.) sewer and \$15,000 2¼-year (aver.) fire-dept. 6% bonds. Int. semi-ann.

KENOSKA, Kenosha County, Wis.—BOND OFFERING.—Sealed proposals will be received until 2 p. m. July 19 by Geo. W. Harrington, City Clerk, for \$200,000 5% street bridge bonds being part of a \$500,000 bond issue. Denom. \$1,000. Date Aug. 2 1920. Int. semi-ann (F. & A.) payable at the office of the City Treasurer. Due \$10,000 yearly on Aug. 2 from 1921 to 1940 incl. Cert. or cashier's check for \$1,000 payable to the city of Kenosha, required.

KING COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 79, Wash.—BOND OFFERING.—Proposals will be received until 11 a. m. July 26 by Wm. A. Gaines, County Treasurer (P. O. Seattle) for \$10,000 Coupon bonds at not exceeding 6% interest. Denom. \$625. Prin. and annual int. payable at the office of the County Treasurer. Due \$625 yearly from 1924 to 1938 incl. optional on or after 4 years from date. All bids excepting from the State of Washington must be accompanied by a certified check or draft made payable to the County Treasurer of said King County, in the sum of one (1) per cent of the par value of the said bonds. Bonds will be ready for delivery Aug. 15 1920.

Financial Statement

Table with 2 columns: Description and Amount. Assessed valuation \$570,980.00; Cash on hand, General fund 2,919.35; Cash on hand, Bond Redemption Fund 483.09; Uncollected Taxes 1,279.89; Bonds Outstanding 1,000.00; Warrants Outstanding 486.32.

KING COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 64, Wash.—BOND SALE.—Reports say that \$3,750 coupon school bonds offered on July 12—V. 111, p. 109—have been sold to the State of Washington at par for 5¼s.

KING COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 135, Wash.—BOND SALE.—Newspapers say that on July 12 the \$8,000 school bonds—V. 111, p. 109—were sold to the State of Washington at par for 5¼s.

KITSAP COUNTY (P. O. Port Orchard), Wash.—BOND SALE.—On July 7 the State of Washington, offering par, was awarded the \$300,000 6% road bonds (V. 110, p. 2588). Denom. \$1,000.

LACKAWANNA, Erie County, N. Y.—BONDS NOT SOLD—TO BE RE-ADVERTISED.—The \$100,000 5% 1-20-year serial memorial bldg. bonds, dated July 1 1920, offered on July 12—V. 111, p. 216—were not sold, no bids being submitted for the issue. The bonds will probably be re-offered.

LAFFERTY RURAL SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O.), Lafferty Belmont County, Ohio.—BOND SALE.—The \$75,000 6% school site and bldg. bonds, offered on July 10—V. 111, p. 109—were sold to the State Industrial Commission of Ohio, at par. Date June 1, 1920. Due \$1,000 on Apr. 1 and Oct. 1 in the years 1922 to 1933, incl.; and \$1,500 on Apr. 1 and Oct. 1 in the years 1934 to 1950, incl.

LAKE COUNTY (P. O. Crown Point), Ind.—BOND SALE.—The following two issues of 5% bonds, offered unsuccessfully on May 24 (V. 110) p. 2412, have been sold to local banks: 110,000 fair grounds improvement bonds. Due \$5,500 each six months from July 1 1920 to Jan. 1 1930, inclusive. 30,000 voting-machine bonds. Due \$1,500 each six months from July 1 1920 to Jan. 1 1930, inclusive. Date Jan. 1 1920.

LAKEWOOD CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Lakewood), Cuyahoga County, Ohio.—BOND SALE.—On July 12 the \$300,000 6% coupon school-house bonds (V. 111, p. 216) were awarded to Hornblower & Weeks and Taylor, Ewart & Co., at 100.28, a basis of about 5.97%. Due \$10,000 yearly on Oct. 1 from 1922 to 1936, inclusive, and \$15,000 yearly on Oct. 1 from 1937 to 1946, inclusive.

LAKE WORTH INLET DISTRICT, Palm Beach County, Calif.—BONDS NOT SOLD.—No sale was made on July 1 of the \$150,000 6% bonds—V. 110, p. 2588.

LANSING, Ingham County, Mich.—BOND ELECTION.—The voters will, on July 23, have submitted to them for approval several bonding propositions calling for the following issues: \$150,000 for bridges, \$250,000 for paving, \$100,000 for sewers, \$145,000 for electric light and power, and \$115,000 for water.

LAUREL, Jones County, Miss.—BOND SALE.—The \$50,000 6% 1-16-year serial power-plant and water-works bonds, dated Aug. 1 1920 (V. 111, p. 109), have been sold to H. W. Lindsey, of Laurel, at par, it is stated.

LEOMINSTER, Mass.—BOND OFFERING.—On July 15, Estabrook & Co. of Boston, bidding 100.32, were awarded the following 5½% tax-free coupon bonds:

- \$46,000 1-10-year serial Lancaster Street paving bonds, a basis of about 5.43%. Denom. \$1,000 and \$600. Due \$4,600 yearly on July 1 from 1921 to 1930, incl.
16,000 4¼-year (aver.) Water Street paving bonds, a basis of about 5.42%. Denom. \$1,000. Due yearly on July 1 as follows: \$2,000 1921 to 1926, incl., and \$1,000 1927 to 1930, incl.
16,000 2-year (aver.) No. Main Street paving bonds, a basis of about 5.33%. Denom. \$1,000. Due yearly on July 1 as follows: \$4,000 1921 and 1922, \$3,000 1923 and 1924, and \$2,000 1925.
15,000 1-5-year serial Mechanic Street paving bonds, a basis of about 5.37%. Denom. \$1,000. Due \$3,000 yearly on July 1 from 1921 to 1925, incl.

5,000 1-5-year serial Pierce School bonds, a basis of about 5.37%. Denom. \$1,000. Due \$1,000 yearly on July 1 from 1921 to 1925, inclusive.

Date July 1 1920. Prin. and semi-ann. int. (J. & J.) payable at the First National Bank of Boston.

LEWISTOWN, Fergus County, Mont.—BOND SALE.—Reports state that on July 12 the following 6% bonds (V. 111, p. 110) were awarded as follows:

- \$10,000 bridge bonds to J. E. Miller, of Lewistown.
100,000 water bonds to the International Trust Co., of Denver.

LIBERTY TOWNSHIP ORIGINAL SURVEYED FRACTIONAL SPECIAL SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Chillicothe R. F. D. No. 2), Ross County, Ohio.—BOND OFFERING.—Harry W. Stickrod, Clerk of Board of Education, will receive proposals until 12 m. Aug. 9 for \$30,000 6% coupon school-building bonds which were offered as 5½s on June 1 (V. 110, p. 2105). Auth. Sec. 7625-7627, Gen. Code. Denom. \$2,000. Int. J. & D. Due \$2,000 yearly on Dec. 15 from 1921 to 1935, inclusive. Certified check for 1% of amount of bonds bid for, payable to the Board of Education, required.

LISBON, Columbiana County, Ohio.—BOND SALE.—The \$3,000 5½% refunding bonds, offered on July 7—V. 110, p. 2696—were awarded to the Peoples Savings & Loan Co., of Lisbon, at par and interest. Date July 1 1920. Due July 1 1935.

LITTLE FALLS, Herkimer County, N. Y.—BOND SALE.—The \$160,000 school-building bonds offered unsuccessfully as 5s on June 14 (V. 110, p. 2589), have been sold to Sherwood & Merrifield, of New York, at 100.33 for 5½s, a basis of about 5.47%. Due \$500 yearly on June 1 from 1921 to 1952, inclusive.

LOGAN COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 62, (P. O. Crook), Colo.—BOND SALE.—E. H. Rollins & Sons have purchased \$20,000 6% 10-20-yr (opt.) school bonds.

LORAIN SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Lorain), Lorain County, Ohio.—NO BIDS.—No bids were received for the \$300,000 6% school bonds, offered on July 12—V. 111, p. 217. The Board of Education is now preparing to dispose of the issue privately.

MABSCOTT, Raleigh County, W. Va.—BOND OFFERING.—Further details are at hand relative to the offering on July 24 of the \$30,000 5% gold tax-free coupon street impt. bonds—V. 111, p. 217. Proposals for these bonds will be received until 8 p. m. on that day by W. S. Allen, Mayor. Denom. \$100. Date Jan. 1 1920. Int. annually payable at the Bank of Raleigh, Beckley. Due in 30 years optional after 10 years. Cert. check for 10%, payable to A. L. Lilly, Town Treasurer, required.

MAHONING COUNTY (P. O. Youngstown), Ohio.—BOND OFFERING.—Bids will be received until 12 m. July 23 by Griff Jones, Clerk Board of County Commissioners, for \$24,952 60 6% Lipkey Road imp. bonds. Denom. 24 for \$1,000, 1 for \$952 60. Date June 15 1920. Prin. and semi-ann. int. (M. & S.), payable at the County Treasurer's office, where bonds are to be delivered and paid for on Aug. 5. Due \$1,000 on March 1 and Sept. 1 in the years 1921 to 1926, incl.; \$2,000 on March 1 and Sept. 1 in 1927, 1928 and 1929; and \$952 60 March 1 1930. Cert. check for \$500 payable to the County Treasurer, required. Purchaser to pay accrued interest.

MARSHLAND DRAINAGE DISTRICT (P. O. Marshland), Columbia County, Ore.—BOND OFFERING.—Reports say that proposals will be received until 2 p. m. Aug. 14 by Thomas W. Tandy, Secretary Board of Directors, for \$50,000 6% bonds.

MARYLAND (State of)—CERTIFICATE OFFERING.—Proposals will be received until 12 m. Aug. 10 by John M. Dennis, State Treasurer (P. O. Annapolis), for \$1,500,000 4½% coupon tax-free certificates of indebtedness, issued for "Lateral and Post Roads Loan of 1920." Denom. \$1,000; Date Aug. 15 1920. Int. F. & A. Due yearly on Aug. 15 as follows: \$7,000, 1923; \$91,000, 1924; \$96,000, 1925; \$99,000, 1926; \$104,000, 1927; \$109,000, 1928; \$114,000, 1929; \$119,000, 1930; \$125,000, 1931; \$130,000, 1932; \$137,000, 1933; \$142,000, 1934; \$147,000, 1935. Certified check on a responsible bank for 5% of amount of certificates bid for, payable to the State Treasurer, required. Certificate to be delivered and paid for on Aug. 16 at the State Treasurer's office.

MEDINA COUNTY (P. O. Medina), Ohio.—BOND OFFERING.—Proposals will be received until 12 m. July 23 by W. L. Sashburn, County Auditor, for \$10,229 25 6% Inter-County Highway No. 291 bonds. Denom. \$400, \$1,350 and \$179 25. Date Aug. 1 1920. Principal and semi-annual interest payable at the County Treasurer's office. Due semi-annually as follows: \$179 25 April 1 1921; \$1,350 Oct. 1 1921 to Oct. 1 1922, inclusive 400 April 1 1923 to Oct. 1 1940, inclusive. Certified check for 2% of amount of bid, payable to the County Treasurer, required.

MERIDIAN, Lauderdale County, Miss.—FINANCIAL STATEMENT.—In connection with the offering on July 20 of the \$290,000 bonds at not exceeding 6% interest, details of which appeared in—V. 111, p. 217—we are in receipt of the following:

Financial Statistics

Table with 2 columns: Description and Amount. Estimated true valuation of all taxable property \$21,679,000.00; Assessed valuation for Taxation, Year 1919 16,259,273.00; Total Bonded Debt, including this issue 1,830,969.22; Water Works Bonds payable by revenues Water Department, included in above 447,000.00; Paving Bonds & Certificates, included in above 201,063.43; Assets of the City of Meridian in Excess of Liabilities 1,250,000.00

Population 1910 Census 23,285, Present, (estimated 30,000.) Rate of Tax per \$1,000 for all purposes \$19.50. Total rate per \$1,000, allowed by law \$19.50. Can be increased by two thirds majority vote of electorate. The City of Meridian has never defaulted in the payment of the principal or interest on any of its Bonds or Obligations. There is no controversy or litigation pending or threatening at this time with reference to the issuance of the above Bonds, or affecting the corporate existence or boundaries of the municipality, or the title of its present officials to their respective offices.

MEXICO, Audrain County, Mo.—BOND DESCRIPTION.—The \$25,000 5% sewage disposal plant bonds recently awarded to the Wm. R. Compton Co., of St. Louis at par—V. 110, p. 2218—are described as follows: Denom. \$500. Int. F. & A.

MIDDLEPORT, Niagara County, N. Y.—BOND OFFERING.—Bernard J. Maher, Village Clerk, will receive proposals until 2 p. m. July 29 (date changed from July 21) for \$26,000 6% water bonds. Denom. \$1,000. Date Aug. 10 1920. Prin. and semi-ann. int. (F. & A.) payable at the Village Treasurer's office in New York exchange, unless another place is agreed upon. Due \$2,000 yearly on Aug. 10 from 1925 to 1937-incl. A deposit of \$750 is required. In the notice of the offering of July 21 published last week the amount of bonds to be offered was incorrectly reported as being \$42,000.

The official notice of this bond offering will be found among the advertisements of this department.

MIDLAND COUNTY (P. O. Midland), Mich.—BOND OFFERING.—Proposals will be received until 10 a. m. Aug. 4 by Aaron T. Bliss, County Clerk, for \$225,000 court-house-construction bonds. Cert. check for \$500 required.

MILFORD, Clermont & Hamilton Counties, Ohio.—BOND SALE.—The \$1,000 (not \$7,000) 6% water-works-smoke-stack bonds offered on June 26—V. 110, p. 2589—were awarded to the Milford National Bank, of Milford, at par and interest. Date May 1 1920. Due \$100 yearly on May 1 from 1921 to 1930, incl.

MILL TOWNSHIP (P. O. Uhrichsville), Ohio.—BOND OFFERING.—H. O. Snyder, Township Clerk, will receive bids until 12 m. July 26 for \$7,500 5½% coupon bonds. Auth. Sec. 2395 Gen Code. Denom. \$500. Date July 1, 1920. Prin. and semi-ann. int. (J. & J.) payable at the Commercial Bank of Uhrichsville. Due \$500 July 1, 1921, and \$1,000 yearly on July 1 from 1922 to 1928, incl. Cert. check on a solvent bank, for \$300, payable to the Township Treasurer, required. Bonds to be delivered and paid for within 10 days from date of award. Purchaser to pay accrued interest.

MINERVA, Stark County, Ohio.—BOND SALE.—The \$50,000 6% coupon electric light works impt. bonds, offered on June 30, V. 110 p. 2589, were awarded on July 6 to W. L. Slayton & Co., of Toledo, at par and interest. Date Aug. 1 1920. Due serially from Oct. 1 1923 to Oct. 1 1945.

MINGO JUNCTION, Jefferson County, Ohio.—BOND SALE.—On July 10, the First National Bank, of Mingo Junction, offering par and interest, was awarded the following 6% coupon special assessment paving bonds, offered on that date—V. 111, p. 111:
\$27,770 Murdock & Union Aves. bonds. Due \$5,554 yearly on July 25 from 1920 to 1924, incl.
9,170 Madison Ave. bonds. Due \$1,834 yearly on July 25 from 1920 to 1924, incl.
Date July 25 1919.

MISSISSIPPI (State of).—BOND OFFERING.—Sealed bids will be received until 12 m. Aug. 4 by Frank Roberson, Attorney General (P. O. Jackson), for \$250,000 improvement bonds "Series B," at not exceeding 5½% interest. Denom. \$1,000. Prin. and semi-ann. interest will be paid on present presentation to State Treasurer or at such place in United States as may be agreed upon by the Commissioners and the purchaser. Due yearly on Sept. 1 as follows: \$20,000, 1922 and \$10,000, 1923 to 1945, incl. Cert. check for not less than 4% of the amount of bonds bid for, required. Bids must indicate lowest rate of interest at which bonds will be purchased at par and accrued interest, or at 5½% with premium and accrued interest. Legal opinion as to validity by John C. Thompson of N. Y. will be furnished the purchaser. Bidders will indicate whether they or State will furnish bonds.

MISSOULA SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 1 (P. O. Missoula), Missoula County, Mont.—BONDS STILL ON THE MARKET.—We are advised by the Clerk Board of Education that the \$205,000 5½% school bonds offered unsuccessfully on June 15—V. 110, p. 2696—are still on the market and will be sold at a private sale if a bid of par or better is submitted.

MOHAVE COUNTY (P. O. Kingman), Ariz.—BOND OFFERING.—Sealed proposals will be received until 10 a. m. Aug. 5 by J. S. Withers, Clerk Board of County Supervisors for the following 6% bonds—V. 110 p. 2696.

\$300,000 highway bonds. Due yearly on June 1 as follows: \$10,000 1931 to 1935, incl.; \$15,000 1936 to 1945, incl., and \$20,000 1946 to 1950, incl.

80,000 hospital bonds. Due yearly on June 1 as follows: \$3,000 1931 to 1940, incl., and \$5,000 1941 to 1950, incl.
Denom. \$1,000. Date June 1 1920. Int. J. & D.

Cert. check for 5% required. The opinion of John C. Thomson of N. Y. approving the validity of the said bonds will be furnished to the successful bidder free of charge.

MONTGOMERY COUNTY (P. O. Dayton), Ohio.—BOND OFFERING.—Proposals will be received until 10 a. m. July 25 by F. A. Kilmer, Clerk of Board of County Comm'rs., for \$65,000 6% coupon Bessie Little road impt. bonds. Auth. Sec. 6929 Gen. Code. Date Aug. 1 1920. Prin. and semi-ann. int. (F. & A.) payable at the County Treasurer's office, where bonds are to be delivered and paid for. Cert. check on a solvent bank or trust company, for \$1,000, payable to the County Auditor, required. Purchaser to pay accrued interest.

MONTPELIER, Williams County, Ohio.—BOND OFFERING.—Proposals will be received until 12 m. July 27 by Ed. Summers, Village Clerk, for \$7,000 6% street-impt. bonds. Denom. \$1,000. Date July 1 1920. Int. semi-ann. Due \$1,000 yearly on July 1 from 1922 to 1928, incl. Cert. check for 2% of amount of bonds bid for, payable to the Village Treasurer, required.

MORGAN TOWNSHIP (P. O. Rutherfordson), Rutherford, No. Caro.—BOND ELECTION.—Reports say that an election will be held July 20 to vote \$10,000 road bonds.

MT. VERNON SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 80 (P. O. Mt. Vernon), Jefferson County, Ill.—BOND SALE.—On July 12 the \$40,000 5% school bonds offered on that date—V. 111, p. 110—were awarded to the Harris Trust & Savings Bank of Chicago. Due yearly on July 1 as follows: \$1,000, 1921 to 1924, incl.; and \$3,000, 1925 to 1936, incl.

MOUNTAIN VIEW, Kiowa County, Okla.—BOND ELECTION.—An issue of \$30,000 electric light bonds is soon to be voted upon.

NEWBURGH HEIGHTS, Cuyahoga County, Ohio.—BID REJECTED.—The only bid received for the \$11,742.43 water and sewer and \$3,037.20 grading and sidewalk 6% coupon East 41st Street bonds, offered on July 6—V. 110, p. 2589—was submitted by W. L. Slayton & Co of Toledo, who offered 97, was rejected.

NEW CASTLE COUNTY (P. O. Wilmington), Del.—BOND OFFERING.—Proposals will be received until 12 m. July 20 by James G. Shaw, Chairman of Finance Committee, for \$75,000 4½% coupon highway bonds. Denom. \$1,000. Date Jan. 1 1917 Prin. and semi-ann. int. (J. & J.) payable in gold coin of U. S., equal in weight and fineness to the present standard at the Farmers' Bank of Wilmington. Due yearly on Jan. 1 as follows: \$10,000, 1955; \$15,000, 1956 to 1959, incl.; and \$5,000, 1960. Cert. check for 2% of amount of bonds bid for, payable to the County Treasurer, required. Bids are desired on forms which will be furnished by the U. S. Mtge & Trust Co. or the Chairman of the Finance Committee.

The legality of this issue has been examined by Caldwell and Raymond, of New York, whose favorable opinion will be furnished to the purchaser. The bonds have been prepared under the supervision of the United States Mortgage and Trust Company, New York, which has certified as to the genuineness of the signatures of the County Officials and the seal impressed thereon.

NEW CASTLE SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. New Castle), Lawrence County, Pa.—BOND OFFERING.—Proposals will be received until 8 p. m. Aug. 10 by H. M. Marquis, Secretary of School Board, for \$300,000 5½% coupon (with privilege of registration) school-building bonds. Denom. \$1,000. Date July 1 1920. Prin. and semi-ann. int. (J. & J.) payable at the District Treasurer's office. Due \$30,000 yearly on July 1 from 1935 to 1944, incl. Cert. check for 1%, payable to the District Treasurer, required.

NEWPORT, Newport County, R. I.—TEMPORARY LOAN.—On July 10, a temporary loan of \$15,000, dated July 12 and maturing Sept. 3, 1920, was awarded to S. N. Bond & Co., on a 7% discount basis, plus a premium of \$5.00.

NORTH TONAWANDA, Niagara County, N. Y.—BOND SALE POSTPONED.—The City Council has postponed indefinitely the sale of the \$27,720, \$5,000 and \$4,300 5½% street impt. bonds, for which bids were called for on July 12—V. 110, p. 2589.

OKANOGAN COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 19, Wash.—BOND OFFERING.—Proposals will be received until (11 a. m. July 27 by Roy W. Smith, County Treasurer, (P. O. Okanogan) for the \$7,000 10-23 year (opt.) bonds at not exceeding 6% interest. Int. payable at the office of the County Treasurer.

OSKALOOSA INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Oskaloosa), Mahaska County, Iowa.—BOND OFFERING.—Sealed bids will be received until 7:30 p. m. Aug. 2 by L. T. Shangie, Secretary Board of Education for \$25,000 5% 10-20 year (opt.) school bonds. Int. semi-ann.

OWENSVILLE, Clermont County, Ohio.—BOND SALE.—On July 10 the \$4,000 6% electrical equipment bonds, offered on that date—V. 110 p. 2590—were awarded to the Merchants & Farmers Bank of Owensville at par. Due \$250 yearly on July 10 from 1921 to 1936, incl.

PALMERTON SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Palmerton), Caron County, Pa.—BOND SALE.—The \$90,000 17½-year (aver.) building bonds offered on July 3—V. 110, p. 2589—were awarded to Frazier & Co. of Philadelphia at par for 5½%.

PANAMA CITY, Bay County, Fla.—NO BIDS RECEIVED.—At the offering of the \$150,000 5% 30 year paving, sewer, and city hall bonds on June 23—V. 110 p. 1900—no bids were received, it is stated.

PENDER COUNTY DRAINAGE DISTRICT NO. 4, No. Caro.—BOND OFFERING.—Sealed bids will be received until 12 m. Aug. 10 by R. G. Grady, Chairman Board of Drainage Commissioners (P. O. Wilmington), for \$170,000 6% drainage bonds. Date Oct. 1 1920. Int. semi-ann. Due \$17,000 yearly from 1923 to 1932 incl. Cert. check for \$1,000 required.

PENNSYLVANIA (State of).—BOND OFFERING.—In place of the \$18,000,000 4½% 5-21 year bond issue, offered unsuccessfully on June 23—V. 110, p. 2697—the State is now offering an issue of \$12,000,000 4½% 3-year bonds. Proposals for the \$12,000,000 4½% 3-year tax-free coupon registered (interchangeable) bonds will be received until 12 m. July 21 by Charles A. Snyder, Auditor-General. Denominations as follows: Registered form in \$1,000, \$5,000, \$10,000, \$50,000 & \$100,000 pieces; coupon form in \$1,000 pieces. Date Aug. 2 1920. Prin. and semi-ann. int. (F. & A.), payable at the Philadelphia National Bank, of Philadelphia, the Commonwealth's Fiscal Agent, where bonds are to be delivered and paid for, either in full Aug. 2, or in installments of \$3,000,000 each, on Aug. 2, Sept. 1, Oct. 1 and Nov. 1, as the purchaser desires. Due Aug. 2 1923. Negotiable Interim Certificates, if desired, will be issued pending the engraving of the bonds. Cert. check or certificate of deposit, for 2% of amount of bonds bid for, payable to the "Commonwealth of Pennsylvania," required. Bids must be made upon blanks which will be furnished upon application to the Auditor-General, or to the Fiscal Agent.

PIEDMONT HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT, Oakland County, Calif.—BOND OFFERING.—According to reports the \$250,000 5½% school building bonds recently voted—V. 110, p. 1556—will be offered for sale July 26.

PIEDMONT SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Piedmont), Mineral County, W. Va.—DESCRIPTION OF BONDS.—The \$10,000 school coupon bonds recently voted—V. 110, p. 2697—bear 6% interest and are in denom. of \$500. Int. annually (July 1) payable at the Davis National Bank, Piedmont. Due in 20 years subject to call at option of the School Board. Total Bonded Debt July 9 1920, \$18,000. C. A. Wilcox is Secretary Board of Education.

PIKE COUNTY (P. O. Petersburg), Ind.—BOND OFFERING.—Proposals will be received by R. E. Gladish, County Treasurer, until 2 p. m. July 21 for the following 4½% rock road bonds:

\$14,500 Logan Harmon et al Patoka Twp. bonds. Denom. \$725. Due \$1,450 each six months from May 15 1921 to Nov. 15 1925, incl.
31,400 I. W. Scales et al Monroe Twp. bonds. Denom. \$1,570. Due \$3,140 each six months from May 15 1921 to Nov. 15 1925, incl.
Int. semi-ann.

BOND SALE.—On July 7 the \$150,000 5% Court-House bonds, offered on that date—V. 110 p. 2590—were awarded to the Petersburg Banks at par and interest. Date May 15 1920. Due \$3,750 on May 15 and Nov. 15 in each of the years from 1921 to 1939, incl., except for 1931 and 1939, in which years \$7,500 matures on May 15 and \$3,750 on Nov. 15.

PITCAIRN, Allegheny County, Pa.—BOND OFFERING.—Proposals will be received until 8 p. m. Aug. 6 by M. H. Stout, Borough Clerk, for \$30,000 5½% tax-free coupon bonds. Denom. \$1,000. Int. semi-ann. Due \$5,000 on Aug. 1 in 1925, 1930, 1935, 1940, 1945 & 1950. Cert. check for \$1,000, required.

PLACERVILLE, Eldorado County, Calif.—BONDS VOTED.—By a ratio of 5 to 1, Placerville on June 29 voted, it is stated, to issue bonds to the amount of \$30,000. The proceeds of the bond issue will be used to purchase the distributing plant of the Placerville Water Co., and the high pressure system of the Eldorado Water Co., and to extend the former.

POLK COUNTY (P. O. Crookston), Minn.—BOND SALE.—The \$100,000 road and \$210,000 ditch bonds offered on July 13—V. 111, p. 111—have been awarded, according to reports, to the Merchants Trust & Savings Bank of St. Paul at par.

POLK COUNTY INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 3, Minn.—BOND SALE.—The \$140,000 6% 15-year bonds offered on May 10—V. 110, p. 1900—have been sold, it is stated, to the Minneapolis Trust Co. of Minneapolis at par.

PORT CHESTER, Westchester County, N. Y.—BOND OFFERING.—Proposals will be received until 8 p. m. July 19 by Frederick G. Schmidt, clerk of Board of Trustees, for \$15,000 5% registered storage property bonds. Denom. \$500. Date Sept. 1 1920. Principal and semi-annual interest payable at the First National Bank of Port Chester. Due \$5,000 in Sept. 1 in 1921, 1922 and 1923. Certified check for 5% of amount of bonds required.

PORTIA SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Portia), Lawrence County, Ark.—BOND SALE.—It is reported that the Bank of Portia was recently awarded \$8,000 6% 2-17 year school bonds at par.

PORTLAND, Cumberland County, Me.—NOTE SALE.—On July 15, the \$200,000 high school equipment and refunding and \$35,000 sewer refunding notes, dated Aug. 2, 1920, and maturing Aug. 1 1921—V. 111, p. 218—were awarded to Harris, Forbes & Co., of Boston, on a 6.85% discount basis.

PORTLAND, Ore.—BOND SALE.—It is stated that \$74,015 57 5½% impt. bonds were recently awarded as follows:
\$25,000 00 bonds to the Citizens' Bank for \$25,025 equal to 100.10.
21,000 00 bonds to Carstens & Earles for \$21,010 50 equal to 100.05.
28,015 57 bonds to Abe Tichnor for \$28,025 57 equal to 100.03.

BONDS BID IN BY CITY.—It is also stated that \$100,000 assessment bonds were bid in at par by the city.

PORT OF NEWPORT (P. O. Newport), Lincoln County, Ore.—BONDS NOT SOLD.—No sale was made on July 8 of the \$50,000 6% 20-year bonds—V. 111, p. 111.

The above bonds will be sold at a private sale.

PORT OF PORTLAND (P. O. Portland), Ore.—BOND RESOLUTION ADOPTED.—A resolution providing for the issuance of \$100,000 6% harbor impt. bonds being part of the \$1,000,000 bond issue voted on June 3 1919—V. 108, p. 2457—was adopted on July 8, by the Port of Portland, Commission denom. \$1,000. Date June 1 1920. Due \$25,000 yearly on June 1 from 1925 to 1928 incl.

PORTSMOUTH, Rockingham County, N. H.—BOND OFFERING.—Albert Hislop, Mayor, will receive bids until 11 a. m. July 22 for the following 5% coupon tax-free bonds:

\$50,000 fire station bonds. Date June 1 1920. Int. J. & D. Due \$3,000 yearly on June 1 from 1922 to 1937, incl.; and \$2,000 June 1 1938.
50,000 paving bonds. Date July 1 1920. Int. J. & J. Due \$3,000 yearly on July 1 from 1922 to 1937, incl.; and \$2,000 July 1 1938.

Denom. \$500. Prin. and interest payable at the First National Bank of Boston. Bonds engraved under supervision of and certified as to genuineness by The First National Bank of Boston; their legality will be approved by Messrs. Storey, Thorndike, Palmer & Dodge, whose opinion will be furnished the purchaser. All legal papers incident to these issues will be filed with said bank where they may be inspected at any time. Bonds will be delivered to the purchaser on or about Friday July 23 1920, at The First National Bank of Boston, in Boston, Mass.

POWERS COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 21, (P. O. Granada), Colo.—BOND SALE.—Benwell, Phillips, Este & Co., of Denver have purchased \$3,500 6% 10-20-yr. (opt.) school bonds.

PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY (P. O. Upper Marlboro), Md. BONDS SOLD IN PART.—Of the \$45,600 5% 30-year school bonds, offered on July 13—V. 111, p. 111—\$15,000 were sold to C. A. Hammett & Co. at par. Date July 1 1920.

RALEIGH COUNTY (P. O. Beckley), W. Va.—NO BIDS RECEIVED.—No bids were received, it is stated, for the \$147,000 5% Clear Fork Road District bonds offered on June 28—V. 110, p. 2590. The bonds are still on the market.

RAMSEY COUNTY (P. O. St. Paul), Minn.—BOND SALE.—On July 6 the \$250,000 6% 5-10-year (opt.) road and bridge bonds, dated May 1 1920—V. 111, p. 111—were awarded to the Minnesota Loan & Trust Co. for \$250,632 (100.25) and interest (the county to deposit the funds derived from this sale at the office of the purchaser at 5% interest). Other bidders were:

Stanley Gates & Co. bid \$252,511 and interest for 6s and 3% on deposits.
Harris Trust & Savings Bank bid \$250,000 and interest for 6 and less \$2.275 for attorney's fee, bonds, etc.

RANGER, Eastland County, Tex.—BOND SALE.—Recently \$40,000 5½% 1-20 year serial fire station bonds were sold to J. Larlitt of Austria.

RED LAKE COUNTY (P. O. Red Lake Falls), Minn.—NO BIDS RECEIVED.—No bids were received for an issue of \$210,000 road and bridge bonds offered on July 2.

REDWOOD COUNTY INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 841, (P. O. Wabasso), Minn.—BONDS NOT SOLD.—The \$60,000 5½% school bonds offered on July 3—V. 110 p. 2697—were not sold.

REEVE SCHOOL TOWNSHIP (P. O. Alfordsville), Daviess County, Ind.—BOND OFFERING.—Rett A. Roberts, Township Trustee, will receive bids until 2 p. m. July 30 for \$21,000 6% 15-year serial school house bonds. Denom. \$700. Date July 30, 1920. Int. J. & D.

RICHLAND COUNTY (P. O. Mansfield), Ohio.—NO BID.—No bids were submitted for three issues of 6% road bonds, aggregating \$68,844.53, offered on July 7.

ROANE COUNTY (P. O. Spencer), W. Va.—BOND OFFERING.—W. A. Carpenter, Clerk of County Court, will receive sealed bids until 2 p. m. Aug. 10 for \$67,000 5½% 2-30 year serial Reedy Road District bonds. Denom. \$500. Date July 1 1919. Int. semi-ann.

ROCHESTER, N. Y.—NOTE OFFERING.—E. B. Williams, Deputy City Comptroller, will receive bids until 2:30 p. m. July 22 for \$250,000 school-construction notes, maturing four months from July 26 1920, at the Central Union Trust Co. of New York, where delivery will be made on July 26. Bidders must state rate of interest, designate denominations desired, and to whom (not bearer) notes shall be made payable.

ROCK COUNTY (P. O. Luverne), Minn.—BOND SALE.—On July 12 the \$150,000 6% 10-year road bonds dated May 1 1920—V. 110, p. 2317—were awarded to Santley Gates & Co. of St. Paul for \$150,050, equal to 100.03, a basis of about 5.99%.

ROSCOE INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Roscoe), Nolan County, Tex.—BONDS VOTED.—On July 7 \$14,000 school bonds were voted.

ROOSEVELT COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 55 (P. O. Brockton), Mont.—BONDS NOT SOLD.—The \$17,475 10-20-year (opt.) school bonds at not exceeding 6% interest offered on July 12—V. 110, p. 2590—were not sold.

The above bonds will be re-offered for sale in the near future.

RUSH COUNTY (P. O. Rushville), Ind.—BOND SALE.—The \$31,600 4½% Fred Goddard et al Richland Twp. road bonds, offered unsuccessfully on May 22—V. 110 p. 2317—have been disposed of. Due \$1,580 each six months from May 15, 1921 to Nov. 15 1930, incl.

RUTHERFORD, Rutherford County, No. Caro.—BONDS NOT SOLD.—No satisfactory bids were submitted for the \$67,000 6% water-works bonds offered on July 10—V. 111, p. 111.

ST. CHARLES COUNTY (P. O. St. Charles), Mo.—BONDS VOTED.—By a vote of 2,400 to 942 the voters favored the issuance of \$1,000,000 road bonds at an election held March 13. Date of sale not yet determined.

ST. LOUIS COUNTY INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 35, (P. O. Buhl), Minn.—BOND OFFERING.—According to newspaper reports proposals will be received until 8 p. m. July 23 by Lee Raucstadt, District Clerk, for \$300,000 6% school bonds. Denom. \$1,000 Date June 15 1900. Int. semi-ann. Due yearly on June 15 as follows: \$50,000 1922 to 1924 incl., and \$30,000 1925 to 1929 incl. Cert. check for \$15,000 payable to John McGrath, District Treasurer, required.

SALAMANCA, Cattaraugus County, N. Y.—BONDS NOT SOLD.—No sale was made of the \$20,000 8-27 year serial water extension and \$5,000 4-13 year serial light extension 5% registered bonds, dated Aug. 1 1920, offered on July 6—V. 110, p. 2590. The bonds are to be re-advertised.

SALISBURY, Rowan County, No. Caro.—BOND OFFERING POSTPONED.—The offering of the \$175,000 6% Coupon street impt. bonds—V. 111, p. 111—has been postponed until July 20, it is reported.

SANDUSKY, Erie County, Ohio.—BOND OFFERING.—Roland D. Kunz, City Treasurer, will receive bids until 12 m. Aug. 2 for \$51,000 5½% coupon harbor impt. bonds. Denom. \$1,000. Date Aug. 1 1920. Int. F. & A. Due yearly on Aug. 1 as follows: \$2,000, 1921 to 1929, incl.; \$5,000, 1930 to 1934, incl.; and \$8,000, 1935. Cert. check for 10% of amount of bonds bid for, payable to the City Treasurer, required. Bonds to be delivered and paid for at Sandusky. Purchaser to pay accrued interest.

SANDUSKY COUNTY (P. O. Fremont), Ohio.—BOND SALE.—The State Industrial Commission of Ohio has purchased \$250,000 6% road impt. bonds, at par and interest. Denom. \$10,000, \$15,000 and \$20,000. Int. A. & O. Due in 1929.

SANDUSKY TOWNSHIP RURAL SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Fremont), R. F. D. No. 6, Sandusky County, Ohio.—BOND OFFERING.—Proposals will be received until 12 m. July 24 by Joseph Sute, Clerk of Board of Education, for \$3,000 6% coupon school bonds. Auth. Sec. 7629, Gen. Code. Denom. \$500. Date day of sale. Prin. and semi-ann. Int. (A. & O.) payable at the office of the Treasurer of the Board of Education. Due \$500 on April 1 and Oct. 1 in 1921, 1922 and 1923.

SAN PABLO GRAMMAR SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. San Pablo), Contra Costa County, Calif.—BOND ELECTION.—Reports say that at an election to be held July 28, \$35,000 6% school bonds will be voted upon.

SAN JON SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. San Jon), Quay County, N. M.—BONDS VOTED.—On June 28 the \$35,000 school bonds mentioned in V. 110, p. 2590 carried by a vote 64 to 38.

SAN MIGUEL COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 6, (P. O. Norwood), Colo.—NO SALE.—We are informed that at the offering on July 7 of the \$34,000 6% school bonds mentioned in V. 111 p. 218, no sale was made.

SAUGUS, Essex County, Mass.—BOND SALE.—On July 12 the following two issues of 5½% coupon tax-free bonds, aggregating \$47,000—V. 111 p. 218—were awarded to E. H. Rollins & Sons, of Boston, at 100.288 and interest: \$30,000 1-5-year serial macadam pavement bonds, a basis of about 5.20% Date July 1 1920. Due \$6,000 yearly on July 1 from 1921 to 1925 incl.

17,000 1-17 year serial school-house bonds, a basis of about 5.36%. Date June 1, 1920. Due \$1,000 yearly on June 1 from 1921 to 1937, incl. Other bidders, all of Boston, were:
Old Colony Trust Co. \$100 119 Eastabrook & Co. \$100.03
Arthur Perry & Co. 100.10 Harris, Forbes & Co. 100 01
Edmunds Bros. 100 06

SEDALIA SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Sedalia), Pettis County Mo.—BOND DESCRIPTION.—The \$75,000 5½% 12-year (average) school bonds awarded on May 27 to the William R. Compton Co., of St. Louis, at \$71,737 50, equal to 95.65 (V. 110, p. 2414), are in denom. of \$1,000. Date June 1 1920. Principal and semi-annual interest (J. & D) payable at the American Trust Co., St. Louis. Due yearly on June 1 as follows: \$1,000 1921; \$2,000 1922 and 1923; \$3,000 1924 to 1926, incl.; \$4,000 1927 to 1936, incl.; \$5,000 1937 to 1939, incl., and \$6,000 1940.

Financial Statement.

Estimated actual value taxable property	\$13,000,000
Assessed value (1918)	6,899,600
Total bonded debt, this issue included	279,000
Sinking fund	11,000
Net debt	268,000
Population, present estimate	25,000.

SENECA, Oconee County, So. Caro.—BONDS NOT SOLD.—On July 7 no sale was made of the \$86,000 water works and \$31,000 sewerage 5% 20-40 year (opt.) coupon bonds—V. 110 p. 2591.

SEATTLE, Wash.—BOND SALE.—The city issued the following 6% bonds, aggregating \$124,082.01 at par during June.

Dist. No.	Amount	Purpose	Date	Due
3,251	\$2,042.71	Water Mains	June 15 1920	June 15 1932
3,239	1,116.00	Street	June 5 1920	June 5 1932
3,255	1,588.41	Street	June 5 1920	June 5 1932
3,265	530.00	Street	June 5 1920	June 5 1932
3,197	23,322.41	Paving	June 7 1920	June 7 1932
3,192	5,012.44	Water Mains	June 12 1920	June 12 1932
3,201	57,901.16	Paving	June 12 1920	June 12 1932
3,210	30,873.76	Street	June 14 1920	June 14 1932
3,250	1,695.15	Water Mains	June 14 1920	June 14 1932

All the above bonds are subject to call on any interest paying date.

BONDS BEING SOLD OVER THE COUNTER.—An issue of \$600,000 6% 6-20 year light plant bonds is being sold over the counter at par and interest. Denoms. \$100, \$200, \$500 and \$1,000. Date June 1, 1920. Int. J. & D.

SHELBY, Richland County, Ohio.—BOND OFFERING.—Proposals will be received until 12 m. Aug. 2 by Bert Fix, Village Clerk, for \$1,000 6% special assessment Tucker Ave. sanitary sewer bonds. Denom. \$200. Date July 1, 1920. Int. semi-ann. Due \$200 yearly on July 1 from 1921 to 1925, incl. Cert. check on a solvent bank, for 2% 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.

SHELBY COUNTY (P. O. Center), Tex.—BOND OFFERING.—Sealed bids will be received until 10 a. m. today (July 17) by the County Judge, for \$80,000 Road District No. 1, \$100,000 Road District No. 2, \$350,000 Road District No. 3, \$70,000 Road District No. 5 and \$100,000 Road District No. 6 bonds, it is stated.

STAMFORD, Fairfield County, Conn.—TEMPORARY LOAN.—On July 13 the temporary loan of \$100,000, dated July 15 and maturing Oct. 13 1920—V. 111, p. 218—was awarded to S. N. Bond & Co., of Boston, on a 6% discount basis, plus a premium of \$3 50.

STARK COUNTY (P. O. Canton), Ohio.—BOND OFFERING.—W. C. Schick, Clerk of Board of County Commissioners, will receive bids until 10 a. m. July 19 for \$90,000 6% Alliance-Limaville Road Impt. bonds. Auth. Sec. 6929 Gen. Code. Denom. \$1,000. Date July 30 1920. Prin. and semi-ann. int., payable at the County Treasury. Due \$9,000 yearly on July 30 from 1921 to 1930, incl. Cert. check for \$500, payable to the Board of County Commissioners, required.

STEBEN SCHOOL TOWNSHIP (P. O. Marshfield), Warren County, Ind.—BOND OFFERING.—Proposals will be received until 2 p. m. July 24 by Henry G. Chandler, Township Trustee, for \$15,000 6% coupon school bonds. Denom. \$500. Due \$1,000 each six months from July 1 1921 to July 1 1928 incl.

SWEET GRASS COUNTY, (P. O. Big Timber) Mont.—BOND SALE.—The Bankers Trust Co. of Denver has purchased \$65,000 of the \$125,000 road bonds which were offered unsuccessfully on June 7, V. 110, p. 2698.

SWEET SPRINGS, Saline County, Mo.—BONDS NOT YET SOLD.—No sale has yet been made of the \$20,000 5% 20-40-year (opt.) electric-light bonds offered on March 1 (V. 110, p. 893).

TACOMA, Wash.—BOND SALE.—During the month of June the city issued \$1,133,200 6% Special Improvement District No. 4071 paving bonds Date June 8 1920. Due June 8, 1925 optional June every year.

TALBAT COUNTY, (P. O. Easton), Md.—BOND OFFERING.—Further information is at hand relative to the offering on Aug. 3 of the \$200,000 5½% road and \$40,000 5% school coupon bonds—V. 110, p. 219. Henry P. Turner, County Clerk & Treasurer, will receive bids until 12 m. on that date for the bonds, which are described as follows:
\$200,000 General Road Construction bonds. Date Aug. 15 1920. Int. F. & A. Due yearly on Aug. 15 as follows: \$12,000, 1923 & 1924; \$13,000, 1925 & 1926; \$14,000, 1927; \$15,000, 1928 & 1929; \$16,000, 1930 & 1931; \$17,000, 1932; \$18,000, 1933; \$19,000, 1934; and \$20,000, 1935.

40,000 Trappe School Bldg. bonds. Date June 1 1920. Int. J. & D. Due \$1,000 yearly on June 1 from 1922 to 1931, incl. Denom. \$1,000. Certified check for \$500 is required with each issue.
Bonded Debt. \$89,500. Assessed Value \$13,868,000. Tax rate (per \$1,000) \$15.50.

TANGIPOHOA PARISH SCHOOL DISTRICT NO 39, (P. O. Amite La.—BONDS NOT SOLD.—No sale was made of the \$50,000 5% school bonds offered on July 6—V. 110, p. 2698.

TAYLOR SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Taylor), Williamson County, Tex.—BONDS REGISTERED.—On July 6 \$45,000 5% serial bonds were registered with the State Comptroller.

TEMPE UNION HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Temple), Maricopa County, Ariz.—BONDS VOTED.—On June 29 the \$50,000 6% union high school bonds (V. 110, p. 2698) were voted.

TENAFLY SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Fenafly), Bergen County, N. J.—BOND OFFERING.—Proposals will be received until 8 p. m. July 17 by N. M. F. Dennis, District Clerk for an issue of 6% coupon (with privilege of registration) school bonds, not to exceed \$315,000. Denom \$1,000. Date July 1, 1920. Prin. and semi-ann. int. (J. & J.) payable at the First National Bank, of Tenafly. Due yearly on July 1 as follows: \$13,000, 1921 to 1925, incl.; \$15,000, 1926 to 1930, incl.; \$17,000, 1931 to 1935, incl.; and \$18,000, 1936 to 1940, incl. Cert. check on an incorporated bank or trust company, for 2% of amount of bonds bid for, required.

TERRA BELLA IRRIGATION DISTRICT (P. O. Terra Bella), Tulare County, Calif.—NO SALE.—No sale was made of the \$50,000 6% Irrigation bonds offered on July 6—V. 110 p. 2698.

TEXAS (State of).—BONDS REGISTERED.—The following 5% bonds were registered with the State Comptroller:

Amount.	Place and Purpose of Issue	Due	Date Reg.
\$1,400	Angelina County Common S. D. No. 19	10-20 years	July 9
1,500	Angelina County Common S. D. No. 43	10-20 years	July 9
1,600	Clay County Common S. D. No. 47	5-20 years	July 9
1,500	Hardeman County Common S. D. No. 31	5-20 years	July 9
3,000	Hill County Common S. D. No. 81	5-20 years	July 9
3,000	Lexington Independent S. D.	4-20 years	July 5
	Williamson County Common S. D. No. 32	5-20 years	July 9

THOMPSON TOWNSHIP (P. O. Bellevue R. F. D. No. 4), Huron County, Ohio.—BOND SALE.—The \$15,500 6% coupon road-impt. bonds, offered on May 24 (V. 110, p. 2220), have been sold at par to the Bellevue Savings Bank Co., of Bellevue. Date June 1 1920. Due \$500 April 1 1920; \$1,000 each six months from Oct. 1 1920 to April 1 1928; and \$1,500 Oct. 1 1928.

TIPPECANOE COUNTY (P. O. Lafayette), Ind.—BONDS NOT SOLD.—No sale was made of an issue of \$16,540 4½% R. M. Maitlen et al Wayne Twp. road bonds, offered on July 10. Denom. \$27. Date May 8 1920. Int. M. & N. Due \$827 each six months from May 15, 1921 to Nov. 15 1930, incl.

TODD COUNTY (P. O. Long Prairie), Minn.—BOND SALE.—On July 13 the \$50,000 6% 10-year road bonds, dated July 1 1920—V. 111, p. 111—were awarded to the Peoples National Bank of Long Prairie at 100.640, a basis of about 5.92%. Other bidders were:
Minneapolis Trust Co. \$50,316 Wells-Dickey Trust Co. \$50,135
Northwestern Trust Co. 50,315 Merchants Trust & Savings \$50,135
Drake-Ballard Co. 30,310 Harris Trust & Savings Bank 50,045
Bank of Long Prairie. 30,200 W. L. Slayton & Co. 50,000
All the above bidders offered accrued (*) and 4% on daily balances as per proposed depository agreement.

TODD SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Santa Rosa), Sonoma County, Calif.—BOND ELECTION.—On July 23 \$13,000 school bonds are to be voted upon.

TROY, Rennselaer County, N. Y.—BONDS NOT SOLD.—No sale was made of the \$25,000 4¼% 1-10 year serial tax-free registered water works refunding bonds, offered on June 17—V. 110, p. 2508. The bonds may be re-advertised.

TURLOCK IRRIGATION DISTRICT (P. O. Turlock), Stanislaus County, Calif.—BONDS NOT SOLD.—No sale was made on July 12 for the \$4,018,000 5½% gold reservoir power and drainage and canal lining' bonds.—V. 111, p. 111.

TYRRELL COUNTY (P. O. Columbus), No. Caro.—BOND OFFERING CONTINUED.—The offering of the \$100,000 6% road and bridge bonds which was to have taken on place on July 12—V. 111, p. 111—has been continued, it is reported, until Aug. 2.

VACAVILLE HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Vacaville), Solano County, Calif.—BOND ELECTION.—On July 26 an election will be held to vote on the question of issuing \$35,000 6% 1-35 year serial school bonds.

WABASH COUNTY (P. O. Wabash), Ind.—BOND OFFERING.—Proposals will be received until 5 p. m. Aug. 6 by Valentine Freising, County Treasurer, for \$12,000 6% bridge bonds. Denom. \$500. Date July 15 1920. Int. M. & N. Due \$500 each six months from May 15 1921 to Nov. 15 1930, incl.

NO BIDS RECEIVED.—No bids were received for the \$35,000 4½% and \$80,000 5% hospital impt. bonds, offered on July 5.—V. 110, p. 2319.

WAKE FOREST, Wake County, No. Caro.—BOND OFFERING.—Sealed proposals will be received until 2 p. m. July 27 by E. W. Timberlake, Jr., Town Clerk, for \$125,000 6% gold water and sewer bonds. Denom. \$1,000. Date April 1 1920. Principal and semi-annual interest (A. & O.) payable at the U. S. Mtge. & Trust Co., New York. Due yearly on April 1 as follows: \$2,000 1922 to 1933, inclusive; \$3,000 1934 to 1915, inclusive, and \$5,000 1916 to 1958, inclusive. Certified check for \$2,500, payable to the Town Treasurer, required. The bonds are prepared under the supervision of the U. S. Mtge. & Trust Co. of New York City, which will certify as to the genuineness of the signatures of the town officials and the seal impressed thereon. Legality will be approved by Chester B. Masslich, of New York City, and J. L. Morehead, of Durham, whose approving opinions will be furnished to the purchaser without charge. All bids must be made on blank forms which will be furnished by the said trust company or the above Clerk. Bonds will be delivered to the purchaser at the office of said U. S. Mtge. & Trust Co. in New York City on Aug 3 1920, or as soon thereafter as the bonds can be prepared, and must then be paid for in New York funds. Purchaser to pay accrued interest.

WARE COUNTY (P. O. Waycross), Ga.—BOND SALE.—The \$630,000 road and \$70,000 school 5% tax-free gold coupon bonds voted on June 27 1919—V. 109, p. 98—have been sold to the Robinson-Humphrey Co., of Atlanta. Denom. \$1,000. Date July 1 1919. Prin. and semi-ann. int. (J. & J.), payable in New York City, N. Y. Due yearly on Jan. 1 as follows: \$4,000, 1925; \$6,000, 1926; \$8,000, 1927; \$10,000, 1928; \$12,000, 1929; \$14,000, 1930; \$16,000, 1931; \$18,000, 1932; \$20,000, 1933; \$22,000, 1934; \$24,000, 1935; \$26,000, 1936; \$28,000, 1937; \$30,000, 1938; \$32,000, 1939; \$34,000, 1940; \$36,000, 1941; \$38,000, 1942; \$40,000, 1943; \$42,000, 1944; \$44,000, 1945; \$46,000, 1946; \$48,000, 1947; \$50,000, 1948; \$52,000, 1949.

Financial Statement.

Actual value of property (estimated).....	\$20,000,000
Assessed value of property for taxation, 1919.....	11,482,091
Total bonded debt, including this issue.....	700,000
Population.....	35,000

WARREN COUNTY (P. O. Williamsport), Ind.—BOND OFFERING.—Proposals for \$8,300 4½% coupon Steuben Twp. gravel road impt. bonds will be received until 1 p. m. July 19 by J. F. Hildenbrand, County Treasurer. Denom. \$415. Due \$415 each six months from May 15 1921 to Nov. 15 1930, incl.

WASHINGTON COUNTY (P. O. Salem), Ind.—BOND OFFERING.—W. L. Taylor, County Treasurer, will receive bids until 1:30 p. m. July 20 for the following 4½% roads bonds:

- \$10,200 Clyde Brown et al Jefferson Twp. bonds. Denom. \$510.
- 18,400 Wm. E. Curtis et al Franklin Twp. bonds. Denom. \$920.
- 3,600 Andrew Gullet et al Jefferson Twp. bonds. Denom. \$180.
- 25,800 Herbert B. Chastain et al Vernon Twp. bonds. Denom. \$1,290.
- 11,400 Elma C. Wires et al Brown Twp. bonds. Denom. \$570.
- 17,200 Alonzo Bush et al Pierce Twp. bonds. Denom. \$860.

Date July 6 1920. Int. M. & N. Due one bond of each issue each six months from May 15 1921 to Nov. 15 1930, incl.

WASHINGTON SCHOOL TOWNSHIP (P. O. Reelsville), Putnam County, Ind.—BOND OFFERING.—James O. Mullinix, Township

Trustee, will receive bids at the Central National Bank, of Greencastle, until 2 p. m. July 31 for \$40,000 6% school bonds. Denom. \$500. Date July 15 1920. Int. semi-ann. Last bond matures Jan. 15 1935. Cert. check for \$500, payable to the above Trustee, required.

WEATHERSFIELD TOWNSHIP RURAL SCHOOL DISTRICT, Trumbull County, Ohio.—BOND SALE.—On July 6 the Niles Trust Co., of Niles, offering par and interest, was awarded the \$5,000 6% school impt. and repair bonds, offered on that date—V. 111, p. 112. Date July 1 1920. Due \$500 each six months from April 1 1921 to Oct. 1 1925, incl. W. L. Slayton & Co., the only other bidder, offered par and interest, less \$150 for cost of printing bonds, &c.

WEST YORK (P. O. York), York County, Pa.—BOND SALE.—It is reported that the borough has disposed of an issue of \$40,000 5% impt. bonds. Denom. \$500. Date July 1 1920. Int. J. & J. Due July 1 1950; subject to call on and after July 1 1935.

WHITE COUNTY (P. O. Monticello), Ind.—BONDS AWARDED IN PART.—Of the two issues of 4½% road impt. bonds, offered on July 13 —V. 110, p. 112—the \$22,000 Jewel F. Ward et al Liberty Twp. bonds were awarded to W. K. O'Connell, of Monticello, at par and interest. No bids were received for the \$61,000 Laurie T. Kent et al Prairie Twp. bonds.

WILLIAMS IRRIGATION DISTRICT (P. O. Williams), Colusa County, Calif.—WARRANT SALE.—Stephens & Co., of San Francisco, recently purchased \$250,000 7% tax-free warrants. Denom. \$1,000. Date June 1 1920. Due \$125,000 on or before Jan. 1 1921 and \$125,000 on or before July 1 1921. In a circular offering the warrants for sale, the firm says that the above are part of an authorized issue of \$500,000, "the remainder of which are held in trust and will not be offered for sale." In reply to our inquiry as to the nature of the arrangement for holding part of the issue in trust, they say: "The total issue of warrants of this District was \$500,000; it was contemplated that \$250,000 thereof were to be turned over to property owners in the District for advances made by them during the course of construction. These land owners entered into an agreement with us that they would not offer these warrants for sale and as collateral to the agreement the warrants are impounded with the trust company."

WISE COUNTY COMMON SCHOOL DISTRICT NO 36, Tex.—BONDS REGISTERED.—An issue of \$7,000 5% 30-40 year bonds was registered on July 9 with the State Comptroller.

WOODBURY, Meriwether County, Ga.—BOND OFFERING.—Proposals will be received until 12 m. July 17 by S. P. Wilburn, City Clerk, for \$35,000 6% electric light and water works bonds, it is reported. Date June 1 1920. Int. semi-ann. payable in New York.

WOODSTOCK COMMUNITY HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Woodstock), McHenry County, Ill.—BOND SALE.—The Harris Trust & Savings Bank, of Chicago, has purchased and is now offering to investors at a price to yield 5.70%, an issue of \$35,000 5% coupon school bonds. Denom. \$1,000. Date July 1 1920. Prin. and semi-ann. int. (J. & J.), payable at the Harris Trust & Savings Bank, of Chicago. Due \$5,000 yearly on July 1 from 1928 to 1934, incl. Bonded debt, this issue only. Assessed value, \$4,440,000.

WORCESTER, Worcester County, Mass.—TEMPORARY LOAN.—On July 14 a temporary loan of \$500,000, dated July 15 and maturing Nov. 17 1920, was awarded, it is stated, to Salomon Bros. & Hutzler, Boston, on a 5.94% discount basis.

XENIA, Green County, Ohio.—BOND SALE.—The \$4,500 6% funding bonds, offered on July 12—V. 110, p. 2698—were awarded on that date to the Commercial Savings Bank, at par and interest. Date June 1 1920. Int. J. & D. Due \$1,000 on June 1 in 1921, 1922, 1923 & 1924; and \$500 June 1, 1925.

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Bids are invited for \$270,000 6-10% serial coupon bonds of Lower Merion Township, dated July 1, 1920, interest January 1 to July 1, free of all Pennsylvania taxes except succession or inheritance taxes; \$30,000 Series "A" maturing January 1, 1922; \$40,000 each of Series B to G, inclusive, maturing January 1, 1923 to 1928. Privilege of registration as to principal by Merion Title & Trust Company of Ardmore, Pa.

Legality to be approved by Messrs. Townsend, Elliott & Munson of Philadelphia.

Settlement to be made August 1. Scaled bids to be addressed to Chairman Finance Committee, Office of Township Commissioners, Ardmore, Pa., marked "Bid for Highway Bonds," and accompanied by a certified check for \$5,000 to order of Township of Lower Merion.

Bids will be opened TUESDAY, JULY 20TH, 1920, at 8 P. M.

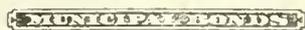
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TAKE NOTICE, That on JULY 29TH, 1920, at two o'clock P. M., at the Village Trustee Meeting Room in the Village of Middleport, Niagara Co., N. Y., the Village Trustees will offer the below described water bonds of said Village for sale in bulk at public auction to the highest bidder for cash, to wit:

26 Bonds of \$1,000.00 each, all to be dated August 10th, 1920, bearing six per centum per annum interest, payable semi-annually on February 10th and August 10th of each year; the first two bonds to become due five years after their date, and the other 24 to become due two each year after the maturity of said first two bonds; interest and principal payable in New York exchange at the office of the Treasurer of said Village, unless another place of payment be mutually agreed on by the Board of Trustees and the purchaser.

The issuance and sale of bonds is duly authorized by votes of the duly qualified electors of said Village and by the proper actions of its Board of Trustees, a record of all of which is on file in the office of the Clerk of said Village and open to inspection by the public.

Sealed bids or proposals may be filed with the Village Clerk at any time prior to said sale, to be opened and received as bids at said sale.

The Board of Trustees of said Village reserves the right to reject any and all bids or proposals prior to the bonds being struck off to the purchaser.

Each bidder shall with his first bid make a deposit of \$750.00 with the Board, to be applied on the price of the bonds if his bid shall be accepted, and if not accepted, to be returned to such bidder at the close of the sale.

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YELLOWSTONE COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 44 (P. O. Laurel), Mont.—BOND OFFERING.—It is reported that sealed bids will be received until July 19 by R. C. Wilkins, District Clerk for \$3,000 6% 5-10 year (opt.) school bonds. Denom. \$300.

YOUNGSTOWN, Mahoning County, Ohio.—BOND OFFERING.—Proposals for \$210,000 6% coupon (with privilege of registration) public safety bonds, will be received until 12 m. Aug. 2 by A. H. Williams, City Auditor. Date May 20 1920. Prin. and semi-ann. int. payable at the office of the Sinking Fund Trustees. Due \$20,000 yearly on Oct. 1 from 1924 to 1932, incl.; and \$30,000 Oct. 1 1933. Cert. check on a solvent bank, for 2% of amount of bonds bid for, payable to the City Auditor, required. Bonds to be delivered and paid for by Aug. 10, at Youngstown.

YUMA COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 7 (P. O. Laird), Colo.—CORRECTION.—The International Trust Co., of Denver, purchased \$20,000 (not \$19,000 as reported in V. 110, p. 2415) 6% 10-20-year (opt.) school bonds.

CANADA, its Provinces and Municipalities.

ALLISTON, Ont.—DEBENTURE OFFERING.—Tenders will be received until 8 p. m. July 19 by J. E. Addis, Municipal Clerk, for \$15,707 39 6% 20-year installment local impt. bonds. Date July 1 1920.

ASSINIBOIA, Sask.—DEBENTURE SALE.—It is reported that the \$13,500 7% 20-installment debentures recently offered (V. 110, p. 2221) have been sold.

BRANDON SCHOOL DISTRICT, Man.—DEBENTURE SALE.—It is reported \$50,000 5% 30-year school bonds have been awarded to A. E. Ames & Co. of Toronto.

BRANTFORD, Ont.—DEBENTURES OFFERED LOCALLY.—It is reported that the city is floating locally an issue of \$150,000 school debentures.

BRITISH COLUMBIA (Province of).—DEBENTURE SALE.—It is reported that an issue of \$1,500,000 6% 5-year debentures has been sold to the Royal Financial Corporation, and the British-American Bond Co., of Vancouver, and the Seattle National Bank, of Seattle, on a joint bid of \$8, United States funds.

CORNWALL, Ont.—OPTION GIVEN.—Brent, Noxon & Co. have been granted an option on an issue of \$40,000 6% debentures of this town.

DRUMMONDVILLE, Que.—DEBENTURE SALE.—On June 29 the \$83,000 6% 10-year debentures—V. 110, p. 2698—were awarded to Rene T. Leclere, of Montreal, at 96.53.

ESSEX BORDER UTILITIES COMMISSION, Ont.—BIDS REJECTED.—All bids received for an issue of \$117,615 6% 28-installment debentures, offered on June 25, were rejected.

GRAVELBURG, Sask.—DEBENTURES VOTED.—A by-law to issue \$89,000 sewer and waterworks bonds carried by a vote of 148 to 4 at a recent election, it is stated.

HILLSBOROUGH R. M., Man.—DEBENTURE SALE.—An issue of \$6,000 debentures has been awarded, according to reports, to Harris, Read & Co., of Regina.

ITUNA, Sask.—DEBENTURE SALE.—Newspaper reports that an issue of debentures to the amount of \$2,150 was recently purchased by W. L. McKinnon & Co., of Regina.

LANCASTER TOWNSHIP (P. O. Lancaster), Ont.—TENDERS REJECTED.—All tenders received for \$25,000 20-installment and \$22,726 19-installment 6% debentures, offered on June 21, were rejected.

LOUISE R. M., Man.—DEBENTURES VOTED.—At the June 25 election—V. 110, p. 2592—the voters passed the by-law to issue \$8,000 skating-rink debentures.

MEOTA, Sask.—DEBENTURE SALE.—W. L. McKinnon & Co. of Regina have purchased, it is stated, \$2,000 debentures of this village.

MINIOTA R. M., Man.—DEBENTURES DEFEATED.—At an election held June 28 a by-law to issue \$110,000 school bonds, lost by a vote of 228 "against" to 180 "for."

NIAGARA FALLS, Ont.—DEBENTURES AUTHORIZED.—A by-law to issue \$28,000 park debentures has been passed, it is stated.

OXBOW, Sask.—DEBENTURE SALE.—It is reported that the town recently disposed of \$6,750 debentures locally.

REGINA, Sask.—DEBENTURE ELECTION.—At an election to be held July 22 the ratepayers will vote on five by-laws calling for the issuance of \$102,153 debentures.

REFREW, Ont.—DEBENTURES NOT SOLD.—TO BE RE-OFFERED.—The \$3,000 5% 23 installment, \$4,783 5% 30 installment and \$10,200 6% 30-year installment coupon debentures, offered on July 12—V. 111, p. 113—were not sold, as no satisfactory bids were received. Tenders are now being called for July 26.

ST. CHRYSOSTOME, Que.—DEBENTURE SALE.—On July 5 the \$7,500 6% fire dept. and funding debentures, offered on that date—V. 111, p. 113—were awarded to J. A. Poirier, at 100.25, a basis of about 5.95%. Denom. \$1,000 & \$500. Date Oct. 1 1920. Int. A. & O. Due yearly on Oct. 1 from 1922 to 1931, incl.

SARNIA, Ont.—DEBENTURES DEFEATED.—At an election held July 9, it is stated, the ratepayers defeated by-laws to issue \$300,000 water-works and \$20,000 paying-plant debentures, the former proposition losing by a vote of 263 "for" and 289 "against", and the latter by 113 "for" and 430 "against."

SASKATCHEWAN SCHOOL DISTRICTS, Sask.—DEBENTURE SALES.—The following, according to the "Financial Post" of Toronto, is a list of debentures aggregating \$8,500 reported sold by the local Government Board from May 17 to June 19 1920:

- Ranch Center, \$3,500, T. K. McCallum & Co. Regina.
- Don Jean, \$900, Nay & James, Regina.
- Bogend, \$900, Can. Landed & Nat. Inv. Co., Winnipeg.
- Lockwood, \$16,500, Nay & James.
- Lost Lake, \$1,200, Can. Landed & Nat. Inv. Co., Winnipeg.
- Springmount, \$550, Regina P. S. Sinking Fund.

SUBBURY, Ont.—OPTION GRANTED.—Wood, Gundy & Co. of Toronto have been granted an option at 91.63, on the following debentures, offered on July 3—V. 111, p. 113: \$16,000 5% 10-installment electric-light, \$3,862 07 5% 20-installment water-works, \$1,497 71 5% 5-installment water-works, \$25,503 97 5% 20-installment public school, and \$61,141 6% 20-installment technical school debentures.

TECK TOWNSHIP (P. O. Kirkland Lake), Ont.—DEBENTURE SALE.—The \$15,000 6% 15-year installment school-house debentures offered on June 26—V. 110, p. 2699—were awarded to Wood, Gundy & Co., of Toronto at 96.54, a basis of about 6.50%.

VANTAGE, Sask.—DEBENTURE SALE.—An issue of \$1,200 debentures has been sold to the Saskatchewan Life Insurance Co. of Regina according to reports.

VISCOUNT, Sask.—DEBENTURE SALE.—It is reported that W. L. McKinnon & Co. of Regina have purchased \$7,000 debentures.

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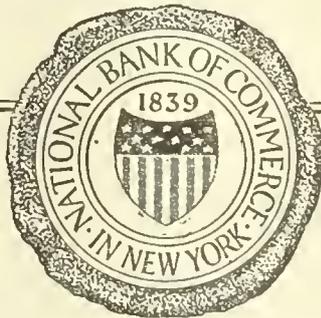
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